

# Introduction to and Basics of $\text{\LaTeX}$

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# Code

```
\documentclass{article}
\title{Cartesian closed categories  $\%$ 
and the price of eggs}
\author{Jane Doe}
\date{September 1994}
\begin{document}
  \maketitle
  Hello world!
\end{document}
```

A Quick “Hello World”

# In English this time

- This document is an article.
- Its title is “Cartesian closed categories and the price of eggs”.
- Its author is Jane Doe.
- It was written in September 1994.
- The document consists of a title followed by the text “Hello world!”

# Results

## Cartesian closed categories and the price of eggs

Jane Doe

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What is  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , anyway?

# $\text{\TeX}$

## ...before $\text{\LaTeX}$

- Typesetting system created by Donald Knuth
- Anybody could produce high-quality typography (in theory)
- Made to typeset complex mathematical formulae
- Popular in academic settings
- Difficulty and effort required gave rise to simplifications...





What is  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , anyway?

# ... enter $\text{\LaTeX}$

“Lah-tech” or “Lay-tech” as in Greek  $\tau \epsilon \chi$

- Package of macros based on  $\text{\TeX}$
- Created by Leslie Lamport
- Simplifies  $\text{\TeX}$ typesetting, especially for mathematical formulae
- Many additional packages and styles contributed by the community
- Archived in the Comprehensive TeX Archive Network (CTAN)<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup><http://www.ctan.org/>



What is  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , anyway?

# The many facets of $\text{\LaTeX}$

- $\text{\LaTeX}$  refers to multiple things
- NOT a Word-Processor (e.g. Microsoft Word)
- WYSIWYM instead of WYSIWYG
  - What-You-See-Is-What-You-Mean (semantics), versus
  - What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get (visual syntax)
- Document Preparation System
  - Made for high-quality typesetting
  - Commonly used for technical/scientific documents
- Document Markup Language
  - Similar to HTML. (IMHO - could be better)

What is  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , anyway?

# Disadvantages

- Lack of a 'Live Preview', must be compiled to view results. (This is general to all WYSIWYM systems.)
- Must learn the markup language and command syntax.
  - Programmers feel right at home, but others may find this a difficulty in using  $\text{\LaTeX}$
  - Users only need to learn as much syntax as they want to use
  - General to all markup languages
- Difficult to manually adjust the typesetting
  - This is frustrating to those familiar with WYSISYG editors
  - This is actually considered an advantage by users familiar with  $\text{\LaTeX}$



# Advantages

- Forces authors to focus on the content (what you want to say) instead of the layout (how it looks on the page)
  - This often trips up new users, who think of this as a requirement for document creation
- The visual layout is consistent throughout a document
- Separation of content and style (like CSS on web pages) enables users to work on each separately
- Mathematical Formulae (LaTeX is the standard)
- Indexes, ToC's, Footnotes, References and Bibliographies are easily and cleanly generated
  - Compare to WYSIWYG editors
  - Requires authors to correctly structure their documents
  - Benefits the reader as well



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You can create overlays...

- using the `pause` command:
  - First item.
  - Second item.
- using overlay specifications:
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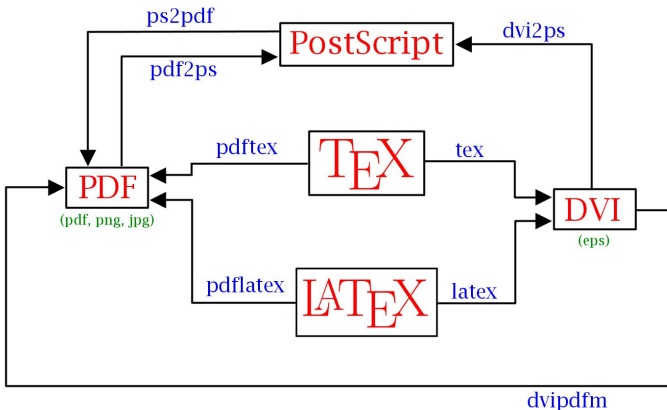
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How to use  $\text{\LaTeX}$  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , the Document Creation System



# Simple Usage

- The simplest usage case is using a general (raw) text editor:
  - Examples: NotePad, Emacs, Vim, Notepad++, Wordpad
- Documents are compiled via the command line
  - Programs to compile .tex source: `tex`, `latex`, `pdftex`, `pdflatex`
  - Programs to convert documents between types: `dvi2ps`, `ps2pdf`, `pdf2ps`
- Familiar approach to those that work in these (text) editors often
- Foreign approach to those used to WYSIWYG editors (everyone else)

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# Integrated Development Environments

- Mac OS X
  - T<sub>E</sub>Xshop – <http://www.uoregon.edu/~koch/texshop/>
- Windows
  - LEd (L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Editor) – <http://www.latexeditor.org>
  - T<sub>E</sub>XnicCenter – <http://www.texniccenter.org>
- Linux
  - Kile – <http://kile.sourceforge.net/>
- Multiplatform
  - T<sub>E</sub>Xmaker – <http://www.xm1math.net/texmaker/>
  - LyX – WYSIWYM – <http://www.lyx.org/>

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# Packages

- Packages are sets of macros, commands, document classes, etc. that extend L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X functionality past the base language.
- Examples include `Beamer`-used to create this presentation, and `AMSMath`-the ubiquitous Mathematics package.
- Huge number of packages available-all user contributed (karnaugh maps, finite state automata, analog circuit diagrams, ...)
- Usenet was the old go-to for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X packages, but has since become outdated.
- Use CTAN, the Comprehensive T<sub>E</sub>X Archive Network.

*<http://www.ctan.org/>*

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# $\text{\LaTeX}$ , the Language

- Comments begin with ‘%’ and go to the end of the line
- Extend all the way through the next line’s whitespace
- Commands begin with ‘\’
  - Optional Parameters go after command in []’s
  - Required Parameters go after command in {}’s
  - E.g. `\cmdname[opt1,opt2,...]{arg1}{arg2}...`

- Extra whitespace is ignored
- Environments are marked with `\begin{}` and `\end{}`
- Control Characters need to be escaped:

`\# \ $ \% \^ \{ \} \& \_ \{ \} \~ \textbackslash`

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# Text Formatting

- **Sizes:**

`\tiny, \scriptsize, \footnotesize,`  
`\small, \normalsize, \large, \Large, \LARGE`

- **Emphasis:** `\emph{...}` **Also:** `{\em ...}`

- **Quotes:**  $\text{\LaTeX}$  differentiates between ‘ and ’.

- Single `\quote`: Single ‘quote’
- Double `\doublequote`: Double “quote”

- **Sub- and Superscript:** `\textsubscript{...}` and `\textsuperscript{...}`

- **Boldface** `{\bf ...}`, **Italics** `{\it ...}`, **SMALL CAPS** `{\sc ...}`



# Paragraph Formatting

- Alignment:
  - Left Justified: `\begin{flushleft}` and `\raggedleft`
  - Right Justified: `\begin{flushright}` and `\raggedright`
  - Centered: `\begin{center}` and `\centering`
- Line Spacing:
  - Entire Document: Use `\linespread{...}` in the preamble. `\linespread{1.3}` will yield  $1\frac{1}{2}$  line spacing, while `\linespread{1.6}` will yield double.
  - Section of Text: Include `\usepackage{setspace}` in the preamble, which provides the `singlespace`, `onehalfspace`, `doublespace` and `spacing` environments.
    - `\begin{doublespace}` or `\begin{spacing}{1.6}`

# Verbatim and Lists

- Verbatim: Outputs exactly what is typed
  - `\begin{verbatim}...\end{verbatim}`
- Itemize:
  - `\begin{itemize}...\end{itemize}`
- Enumerate:
  - `\begin{enumerate}...\end{enumerate}`
- Description:
 

Environment Syntax: `\begin{description}`

Item Syntax: `\item[Description]`
- Each item is designated by the `\item` command.
- Different list types can be nested.

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# Math Environments

- $\text{\LaTeX}$  uses two different environments for mathematical formulae:
  - *text* – Formulae are displayed in-line, within the body of text. Good for small equations.
    - `\begin{math} ... \end{math}`
    - (e.g.) ... thus arriving at  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , which is the Pythagorean Theorem.
  - *displayed* – Formulae are displayed seperated from the text. Good for large equations.
    - `\begin{equation} ... \end{equation}`
    - (e.g.) ... which yields Stoke's Theorem:

$$\int_{\Sigma} \nabla \times \mathbf{F} \cdot d\Sigma = \oint_{\partial\Sigma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \quad (1)$$

- Always include the `amsmath` package by using the command `\usepackage{amsmath}`.

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# Math by Example

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:**

```
\begin{equation*}
    \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0
    \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}
\end{equation*}
```




# Math by Example

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = ab \sin \theta \, \mathbf{\hat{n}} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{CPR})$$

## L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:

```
\begin{equation} \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}
= ab \sin \theta \, \mathbf{\hat{n}} = \mathrm{det}
\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\
a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\
b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}
\label{CPRelations} \tag{CPR} \end{equation}
```

By labeling the equation with `\label{}`, I can reference (CPR) 

# Math by Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos^2 \theta &= \left( \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{e^{i2\theta} + 2e^{i0} + e^{-i2\theta}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:**

```

\setcounter{equation}{0}
\begin{align} \cos^2 \theta
&= \Big(\frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}\Big)^2
&= \frac{e^{i2\theta} + 2e^{i0} + e^{-i2\theta}}{4}
&= \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} \end{align}

```







# Math by Example

$$\iiint_G \overbrace{f(r, \phi, \theta)}^{\text{Spherical Function}} \, dr d\phi d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-4}^4 \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{r^{\pi \frac{\varphi}{z}}}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}(e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi})}}}_{\text{Ugly Cylindrical Function}} \, dr d\phi d\theta$$

**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:**

```
\[ \iiint_{G} \overbrace{f(r, \phi, \theta)}^{\text{Spher}}
\, \mathrm{d}r \mathrm{d}\phi \mathrm{d}\theta =
\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-4}^4
\underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{r^{\pi \frac{\varphi}{z}}}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}(e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi})}}}
_{\text{Ugly Cylindrical Function}}
\mathrm{d}r \mathrm{d}\phi \mathrm{d}z \]
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# Figures

- When compiling with *latex*, only Encapsulated Postscript (EPS) files can be imported.
- Compiling with *pdflatex* allows JPG, PDF, and PNG formats to be imported.
- By using the `draft` option in the `\documentclass[...]{...}` command in the preamble, image output can be suppressed and every image will be replaced by the name of that image.
- Remember to include the command `\usepackage{graphicx}`.
- Use floats! (`\begin{figure}` and `\begin{table}`)

# Figures by Example



**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X** Code:

```
\begin{figure}  
\begin{center}  
\includegraphics[width=0.3\textwidth]{lena.  
\end{center}
```



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# Figures by Example



Figure: A Liquid Crystal

## L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:

```
\begin{figure}[h] %t, b, p, !, and H (with \usepackage{float})
  \begin{center} \vspace{-5pt}
    \reflectbox{\includegraphics[scale=0.1, angle = -15]{lena.
    \label{CNematic}
    \caption{A Liquid Crystal} \vspace{-10pt}
  \end{center}
\end{figure}
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# Tables by Example

Component	Target (%)	Target (g)	Actual (g)	Actual(%)
RMS03-010C	98.2 %	.5024 g	.5032 g	98.4 %

**Table:** A Table of Measurements

## L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Code:

```
\begin{table}
  \begin{tabular}[c]{|l || c | c | c | c |}
    \hline
      Component & Target (\%) & Target (g) & Actual
    \hline
      RMS03-010C & 98.2 \% & .5024 g & .5032 g & 98.
    \hline
  \end{tabular}
\end{table}
```



# Referencing Labels

- As seen before, an object can be labeled by using the `\label{...}` command.
- This object can be referenced using this label with the command `\ref{...}`. This will print the number assigned to the object.
- Similarly, `\pageref{...}` will print the page number of the referenced object.
- Be sure to use `\label{...}` *after* `\caption{...}`. Otherwise, the reference will be attached to the current section or list number.
- Lists of Tables and Lists of Figures can be created by using `\listoftables` or `\listoffigures`. This will create a numerically ordered list of floats, complete with captions.

# Any Questions?

This presentation will be posted online for reference.

$\text{\LaTeX}$  is much too large a topic to cover in one sitting, but hopefully this is a good start.

Other References:

- Wikipedia article on  $\text{\LaTeX}$
- $\text{\LaTeX}$  Project Site
- Wikibook on  $\text{\LaTeX}$



# Summary

- The **first main message** of your talk in one or two lines.
- The **second main message** of your talk in one or two lines.
- Perhaps a **third message**, but not more than that.
- Outlook
  - Something you haven't solved.
  - Something else you haven't solved.

# For Further Reading I



A. Author.

*Handbook of Everything.*

Some Press, 1990.



S. Someone.

On this and that.

*Journal of This and That*, 2(1):50–100, 2000.