Citation Management with JabRef

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LATEX and bib-files

How bibtex is used in LATEX:

A bibtex file is a plain text file with entries of this type:

What is JabRef?

Basic Functionality

The tool Jabref ...

- ... is GPL software
- ...comes for all platforms
- http://sourceforge.net/projects/jabref/

Moreover, Jabref can

- open several bibs in a GUI
- sort them by author, title, year, etc.
- edit the entries
- assign files like PDFs to the entries
- auto-generate citation keys [author] [year]

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Import/Export of bibtex entries

Importing of bibtex entries:

- ▶ via copy-n-paste from other bib-files
- from plain text
- from the Internet

Interplay with the Latex Editor:

ctrl-K copies "\cite{citationKey}" to the clipboard

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Maybe, don't start with step 6.

Citations in Math-Manuscripts

Some general remarks...

Bibtex entries are provided by most of the services that list or host scientific papers. In particular for mathematics it may be worth checking

- http://www.ams.org/mathscinet/index.html
- http://www.zentralblatt-math.org/zmath/en/search/
 (features a "TU" button)
- http://www.sciencedirect.com/
- and also most of the preprint servers

Q: How do you do it?

Further reading

Many information are available online:

- ▶ http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~tayloj/JABREF.TUTORIAL/
- ▶ todo
- ▶ todo

I will put all example files on:

http://projectbanana.github.io/

