# The AAST<sub>E</sub>X Macros for Manuscript Preparation

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The AAS has developed an author markup package to assist authors in preparing manuscripts for articles that are intended for submission to the AAS- and ASP-affiliated journals. It is important that the markup used by authors in electronic manuscripts (sometimes called compuscripts) be consistent and standardized so that such manuscripts can be widely accepted by the journals, ultimately so that they can become part of the normal production procedures.

This guide contains basic instructions for creating manuscripts using the AASTEX markup package, which functions as substyles to the standard IATEX article style. Authors are expected to be familiar with the editorial requirements of the journals so that they can make appropriate submissions, as well as to have at least a rudimentary knowledge of TEX (for instance, knowing how to set up equations using TEX commands). It is unrealistic to provide a tutorial on TEX; readers who are unfamiliar with TEX are advised that they will need additional sources of information. A number of useful publications are listed in the references section of this guide.

#### 1. Introduction

The AASTEX author-prepared package was developed to provide authors with a consistent means of preparing articles for submission to AAS and ASP journals. The most important aspect of the package is that it defines the set of commands (called *markup*) that can be used to identify the structural elements of papers. When articles are marked up using this set of standard commands, the papers can be submitted electronically to the editorial offices, and it can also eventually be passed along to the publisher.

For purposes of producing paper output, the AASTEX package contains a number of IATEX style files that produce variously formatted pages. There is a "manuscript" style, two "preprint" styles, and two "plano table" styles. The manuscript style is used for papers that are submitted to AAS and ASP journals for review. The preprint styles render articles in a compact form that may be suitable for distribution among colleagues. The plano table styles are used by authors who wish to submit cameraready tables to the journals for publication.

#### 2. General preparation instructions

Computer manuscripts must include all the necessary components, e.g., a title, author names and their affiliations, an abstract, a main body, tables, etc., in the proper order according to the editorial requirements of the journal. It is the author's responsibility to ensure that the article conforms to all editorial specifications regarding content and organization, mathematical formulæ, chemical names, etc.

In the sections that follow, we review some essential procedures that must be followed when preparing  $T_EX$  input.

#### 2.1. Running text

Printing is different from typewriting, and TEX is different from other word processing tools. This section consists of reminders (admonitions) about things that require special attention so that TEX can format the input properly.

The ends of words and sentences are marked by white space, and it doesn't matter how many spaces are typed; one is as good as 100. TeX treats the end of a line in the input file as a space.

Paragraphs are separated by blank lines. Don't hyphenate words in the input file; TEX takes care of hyphenation automatically. Continue to hyphenate modifiers within a line of text, e.g., "author-prepared copy."

Quotation marks should be typed as pairs of opening and closing single quotes, e.g., ''quoted text''; don't use double quotes ("bad form").

Do not underline. In printing, text is emphasized by changing the type style, usually to *slanted* or *italic* type.

A number of common characters are interpreted as commands, and these must be entered specially, by preceding them with a backslash (\):  $\& \% \# \{ \text{ and } \}$  be typed  $\$   $\& \% \# \{ \text{ and } \}$ .

Authors should refrain from adding vertical or horizontal space. Concentrate on the content of the document and identifying its components with the structural markup commands. Authors should avoid creating new commands by using IATEX commands that create "private" markup commands that are not described in this guide.

#### 2.2. Math

Mathematical expressions that are part of the running text are delimited by a single dollar sign (\$), e.g.,  $\uparrow r^2$  yields  $\pi r^2$ . To get the appropriately sized superscript or subscript in the roman font, use the  $\$ 

command, e.g.,  $J_{\rm HF}(t)$  produces  $J_{\rm HF}(t)$ .

Displayed equations can be delimited in several ways. The most concise markup is to bracket the equation between \[ and \] commands, which is equivalent to placing the formula in a displaymath environment. These markup commands will produce unnumbered equations.

Numbered equations can be typeset by typing the formula in an equation environment. A series of related equations that need vertical alignment, e.g., a derivation where alignment is wanted on the equal sign (=), can be typeset in an eqnarray environment.

While it is possible for authors to assign their own equation numbers, it is easier to let LATEX number them automatically. By default, LATEX will number equations sequentially from the beginning of the paper to the end.

It is sometimes appropriate for equation numbering sequences to carry through sections of the paper only. Equations can be numbered (*sec-eqn*) by placing the command \eqsecnum in the preamble of the document.

#### 2.3. Tables

Tables are notoriously difficult to compose, and great care and patience are usually required before tabular information can be typeset satisfactorily. Tables should be placed in separate table environments, i.e., the tabular material must be enclosed within \begin{table} and \end{table} commands. Tables should have a title or caption and the correct number of descriptive column headings. A single horizontal rule should be set after the column headings with the \tableline command. Do not insert any other horizontal or vertical lines in the body of the table.

The planotable environment is intended to make it easier to prepare camera-ready tables, although many authors will find planotable suitable for *all* tables. Authors who are using the plano tables styles to prepare camera-ready tables are urged to read the plano tables section carefully.

Notes in tables should be marked by **\tablenotemark**; corresponding text should appear in a **\tablenotetext** command.

#### 2.4. Cross-referencing

Cross-referencing equations, tables, and figures in text depends upon the use of "tags", which are defined by the user. The \label command is used to define cross-reference tags for IATEX; \ref is used to refer to them. Tags are simply text strings that serve to label equations, tables, and figures, so that they may be referred to symbolically in the text. Authors should place \label

commands immediately after the markup command that starts the structure being referenced. References to page numbers should not be made.

IATEX keeps track of autonumbered counters and cross-reference information by maintaining an auxiliary file in the same working directory as the source file. The auxiliary file will have an extension of .aux. This file should not be deleted, since subsequent IATEX processing uses the auxiliary data to resolve references, etc.

The auxiliary file mechanism makes it necessary to run IATEX on a given source file more than once to ensure that the cross-reference information has been properly resolved. This is most evident when changes are made that affect the number or the placement of equations, tables, and the like. IATEX will typically issue a warning message that advises the user to "rerun to get cross-references right", in which case, run IATEX again. If the error message appears after two successive IATEX runs, it is likely that a reference has been made to an undefined label.

## 2.5. Alternate style options

It is not the objective of the AASTEX project to develop IATEX styles that produce pages that mimic the appearance of specific journals. Since this is the case, we have chosen to provide several format options within the preprint styles themselves so that output format can be varied. The aaspp substyle offers a single-spaced alternative for manuscripts, for instance. The primary motivation behind this idea is to provide some definitions that permit individuals to distribute "pretty" preprints with this package. In recognition of the fact that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, there is no intention that any of these styles should define pretty.

Editors prefer a large typeface with adequate space between typed lines for technical editing marks and wide margins for editor and author comments. The use of the <code>aasms</code> substyle will produce double-spaced, full-width output by default.

Authors may prefer a denser form of output for distribution to colleagues who are primarily interested in reading the paper, as opposed to copy editing it. The aaspp substyle is similar to the manuscript style, but it is single-spaced, and it is possible to use a smaller type-face. For wide text lines (as in the aaspp style), it is advisable to use faces no smaller than 11 points (11pt substyle option). Author's remarks appear in the upper right corner of the title page, and no explicit page breaks are inserted in the front matter by the style.

Another alternative is to include the **\tighten** command in the document preamble when the **aasms** substyle

is used; its effect is to reduce the vertical spacing in the text. The rest of the formatting will be identical to the manuscript format.

For institutional purposes, it may be preferable for preprints to be set in two columns, have running heads, etc. The aaspptwo substyle may be used instead to produce two-column pages. This style can be used as is, but it can also serve as a point of departure for LATEX style writers at institutions that want preprints of this general nature.

The preparation of "plano tables" (camera-ready, or planographic) is possible by using one of the style files aj\_pt or apjpt. These styles produce tables in formats suitable for the AJ and the ApJ, respectively; the aj\_pt style could be used to create camera-ready tables for PASP as well. These styles are intended primarily for the production of tables that the author wishes to submit camera-ready; they are not designed to produce journal pages.

## 3. Command descriptions

This section describes the commands in the AAST<sub>E</sub>X markup package that an author might enter in an electronic manuscript. In the interest of completeness, all the structural markup that is needed to identify components is discussed. The commands will be described in roughly the same order as they would appear in a manuscript. The reader will probably find it helpful to examine the sample papers (sample1.tex and sample2.tex) as well.

#### Preamble

Most documents processed with a formatter have a collection of commands at the beginning of the file that establish settings for global parameters; this initialization section is sometimes called the *preamble*. In IATEX manuscripts, the preamble is that portion of the file before the \begin{document} command.

The first piece of markup in the manuscript must declare the overall style of the document.

## \documentstyle[12pt,aasms]{article}

The \documentstyle command must appear first in any IATEX file, and this one specifies the main style to be the article style using twelve point fonts, with modifications and additions for the aasms substyle. It is preferable to use fonts at twelve points to prevent illegibility due to exceedingly long lines (too many characters on a line make it hard to read). The aasms substyle will issue a warning message if the font size is smaller than twelve points, and the size will be set to twelve points; the file will still be processed.

Tightening the vertical spacing in the text results in output that may be attractive for distribution to colleagues who are primarily interested in reading the paper, as opposed to copy editing it. Authors may include a

## \tighten

declaration in the preamble to direct the formatter to produce a somewhat denser manuscript. If the authors prefer not to insert this markup directly, the same effect can be achieved with the tighten document substyle.

## \documentstyle[aasms,tighten]{article}

Double-spaced output for referees and copy editors is the main objective of this style, hence the double-spacing occurs by default. Neither the \tighten command nor the tighten substyle should be used for manuscripts submitted to the editorial office for scientific review.

## Preprint format

A single-column preprint format can be specified with the aaspp substyle option.

## \documentstyle[11pt,aaspp]{article}

The size of the typeface used is under author control by way of LATEX's NNpt article subtyles (where NN is 10, 11, or 12). Use of 10 point type is not recommended with the aaspp style.

Authors may wish to adjust vertical spacing within a preprint, for instance, double-spacing text while single-spacing tables. Authors who want to alternate between single and double spacing in the manuscript may use the following commands.

## \singlespace \doublespace

\singlespace sets the vertical spacing to a smaller value, while \doublespace causes double-spacing. These are different from \tighten, which is intended for use in the preamble of the article.

Two-column format

The aaspptwo substyle has the principle function of setting up two-column output.

## \documentstyle[aaspptwo]{article}

Although it is quite obvious, it is important to remember that text lines are considerably shorter when two of them are typeset side by side on a page. Long equations,

wide tables and figures, and the like, may not typeset in this format without some adjustments. The expenditure of great effort to adapt copy and markup for two-column pages is probably counterproductive. Remember that the main goal of this package at this point is to produce "correct" draft (or referee) format pages; it is the responsibility of the editors and publishers to produce publication format papers for the journals.

The aaspptwo substyle does not impose a format for the article's front matter, although there is often merit in setting the title, author, abstract, and keyword material on a separate page at full text width. The author may supply the \twocolumn command wherever desired.

#### \twocolumn

Note that the two-column format begins at the point \twocolumn appears in the text, and if that point is before the front matter, title and author and so forth will be typeset in two-column mode along with the rest of the paper; that's how this manual is prepared, for example. For purposes of producing "pretty" output, it is probably desirable to put the \twocolumn command after the abstract and keywords, just before the body of the paper. If \twocolumn is not specified explicitly in aaspptwo style documents, the introductory material of the paper will be set in one-column mode; the first \section command (presumably demarcating the beginning of the main body of the article) will engage the two-column mode.

#### Slug line data

Journal and article identification information is established by the editorial staff. The following markup will be used by personnel at the editorial office to record slug-line data; these commands appear in the manuscript preamble. These pieces of markup can be used to facilitate communication between the editorial office and the publisher.

\received{RECEIPT DATE}
\revised{REVISION DATE}
\accepted{ACCEPT DATE}

For preprints and manuscripts in draft/referee format, etc., the slug-line information is irrelevant and generally in those styles of that nature, the data are never formatted or printed. Receipt and acceptance dates (or blank lines representing them) are printed on aasms articles, that is, on true manuscripts. The aaspp and aaspptwo styles do not print the rules or the dates. Authors do not know what these dates are, however, so there is no reason for the author to include \received and \accepted

commands in manuscripts. Editorial staff will insert the correct information as appropriate.

\journalid{VOL}{JOURNAL DATE}
\articleid{START PAGE}{END PAGE}
\paperid{MANUSCRIPT ID}

The \journalid and articleid commands are used to identify the volume and page numbers of a scheduled article. The manuscript identification number used to track the manuscript is specified in the \paperid command.

\cpright{TYPE}{YEAR}
\ccc{CODE}

Copyright information is specified through the commands \cpright and \ccc. The "type" of copyright and the corresponding year are given in \cpright; valid copyright types are as follows.

AAS Copyright has been asigned to the AAS.

ASP Copyright has been asigned to the ASP.

Crown (UK) copyright has been asigned to the AAS.

PD The article is in the public domain.

none No copyright is claimed for the article.

The copyright type is case-sensitive, so the type string must be entered exactly as given above. The Copyright Clearing Center code may be given in the \ccc command; the code is taken as regular text, so any special characters, notably '\$', must be properly specified.

Authors are invited to supply running head information. There are generally two different kinds of data in running heads; what is called here the left head contains an author list (last names, possibly truncated as "et al."), while the right head is an abbreviated form of the paper title.

\lefthead{TEXT}
\righthead{TEXT}

Editors and publishers impose varying requirements on the brevity of these data; authors are asked to keep these items as short as possible.

Authors who wish to include a short remark on the title page, such as the name and date of the journal in which an article has been scheduled, may do so with the following command.

#### \slugcomment{TEXT}

In the aasms style, such comments appear after the dates; in the aaspp style, they are placed at the upper right corner of the title page.

## Starting the main body

None of the markup that appears in the preamble actually typesets anything; the preamble is only a control section. The author must include a

## \begin{document}

command to identify the beginning of the main textual portion of the manuscript.

## Title, byline, abstract, etc.

Title and author identification are by way of the markup commands \title and \author. The authors' principal affiliation is specified with a separate command \affil. Each \author command should be followed by a corresponding \affil.

\title{LUCID TEXT}
\author{NAME(S)}
\affil{AFFILIATION}
\authoraddr{ADDRESS}
\and

Line breaks are permitted in the title if the author wishes to specify them with the \\ command. Long titles will be broken automatically, so the \\ markup is not required. If the title is explicitly broken over several lines, the preferred style for titles in AAS and ASP journals is the so-called "inverted pyramid" style. In this style, the longest line is the first (or top) line, and each succeeding line is shorter. The text of the title should be entered in mixed case; it will be converted to uppercase by the publisher. Footnotes are permissible in titles; be careful to ensure that alternate affiliations (see below) are properly numbered if a footnote to the title is specified.

Authors' names are given in \author commands, and should be entered in mixed case. Names that appear together in the author list for authors who have the same primary affiliation should be specified in a single \author command. Each author group (\author command) should be followed by an \affil command, giving the principal affiliation of that author. Physical and postal address information for the institution specified may be included with its name. The address can be broken over several lines by using the \\ command to

indicate the line breaks. Usually, however, postal information will fit on one line. When there is more than one \author command, the last one should be preceded by an \and command.

When there is a lengthy author list, all authors' names may be specified in a single \author command, with affiliations specified using the \altaffilmark mechanism described below. In this case, no \affil commands would be used, and the affiliations would all be listed in a footnote block at the bottom of the title page. The style file performs this formatting.

Postal addresses for individual authors may be specified in \authoraddr commands. This command does not produce any formatted text in most AASTEX styles, and can be used to specify the corresponding address of the first author for purposes of editorial communication.

Authors often have affiliations in addition to their principal employer, and these are specified with the \altaffilmark and \altaffiltext commands. These behave like the \footnotemark and \footnotetext commands of IATEX. \altaffilmark is appended to author's names in the \author lists, and generates superscript identification numbers. The text for the individual alternate affiliations is generated by the \altaffiltext command.

## \altaffilmark{TAG NUMBER(S)} \altaffiltext{NUMERICAL TAG}{TEXT}

It is up to the author to make sure that \altaffilmark numbers attached to authors' names correspond to the correct alternate affiliation, i.e., that each TAG NUMBER match the NUMERICAL TAG for the corresponding TEXT.

#### Abstract

The paper abstract should be enclosed in an abstract environment.

\begin{abstract}
abstract text
\end{abstract}

#### **Keywords**

Keywords, subject headings, etc., are accommodated as a single piece of text.

## \keywords{TEXT}

Authors must supply keywords delimited by the appropriate punctuation required by the journal. Keywords should be specified in alphabetical order. The \keywords

command supplies the proper leading text ("Keywords:", "Subject headings:", etc.), according to the style.

#### Sections

The article style for AAST<sub>E</sub>X manuscripts supports four levels of sectioning.

\section{HEADING}
\subsection{HEADING}
\subsubsection{HEADING}
\paragraph{HEADING}

Section headings should be given in mixed case. Note that these commands delimit sections by marking the beginning of each section; there are not separate commands to identify the ends.

In addition, AASTEX manuscript styles support an \acknowledgments section.

#### \acknowledgments

In the AASTEX substyles, acknowledgments are set off from the concluding main body text simply by vertical space (no heading or type size change). For use in producing output for specific journals, this command might generate text saying "Acknowledg[e]ments".

## Appendices

When one or more appendices are needed in a paper, the end of the main body text must be marked.

## \appendix

Note that the \appendix command has no arguments; sections in the appendix must be headed with \section commands containing the section headings, as described before. The \appendix command takes care of a number of internal housekeeping concerns, such as identifying sections with letters instead of numerals, resetting the equation counter, etc.

#### Citations

Citations in the text may be called out with either a \markcite command or a \cite command.

\markcite{TEXT}
\cite{TAG}

Which of these is used depends on the form chosen for the reference list (described below). \markcite corresponds to the use of the references environment, while \cite would be used in conjunction with thebibliography.

The conventional method used by authors to manage the citations and reference list in a paper is a manual one. For these authors, the references environment and \markcite are appropriate. The text supplied in the \markcite command is the text that will be inserted in the body at that point; this text should include any necessary punctuation.

IATEX's thebibliography environment allows authors to identify references symbolically using unique tags (the author makes these up). If this mechanism is used, the TAG given in the \cite command must correspond to a TAG given in a \bibitem command in the thebibliography environment (see below).

In many cases, citations may be called out explicitly by the author without any markup, since they are usually just running text for AAS and ASP journals. However, the use of \markcite is still encouraged, even for journals where no special formatting of citation call-outs is required. This will make the electronic texts more useful in the future in the event that they are perused with on-line browsers.

## **Equations**

Displayed equations can be typeset in many ways using the standard displayed math environments of IATEX; these three are probably of greatest use.

```
\begin{displaymath}
\end{displaymath}
\begin{equation}
\end{equation}
\begin{eqnarray}
\end{eqnarray}
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The displaymath environment will break out a single, unnumbered formula. The equation will appear the same if it is set in an equation environment, and it will be autonumbered by IATEX. In order to set several formulæ in which vertical alignment is required, use the equarray environment.

Authors occasionally wish to group related equations together and identify them with letters appended to the same equation number, as opposed to having each with a separate numeral. When this is desired, such related equations should still be set in equation or eqnarray environments (whichever is appropriate may be used), and this grouping should be placed within a mathletters environment.

```
\begin{mathletters}
equation or eqnarray environment(s)
\end{mathletters}
```

It is possible to override LATEX's automatic numbering within equation or equarray environments.

## \eqnum{TEXT}

When \eqnum is specified inside an equation environment, or on a particular equation within an eqnarray, the text supplied as an argument to \eqnum is used as the equation identifier. IATEX's equation counter is not incremented when \eqnum is used. \eqnum must be used inside the environment.

When unnumbered equations are desired, authors can use either the displaymath environment (for single displayed equations) or place a \nonumber command before the equation delimiter (\\) in a particular equation in an eqnarray. IATEX's equation counter is not incremented when \nonumber is used.

If, as a consequence of the use of \eqnum or \nonumber, LATEX's equation counter gets out of the author's intended sequence, the counter may be reset to a particular value.

## \setcounter{equation}{NUMBER}

The equation counter should be set to the number corresponding to the last equation that was formatted, so it is most appropriate for this command to appear immediately after an equation or eqnarray environment ends. \setcounter{equation} must be used outside the math environments.

Sometimes it is appropriate to number equations by section, rather than sequentially through the whole paper. When this is required,

## \eqsecnum

should be specified in the document preamble. As is the case with tightening the interline spacing (\tighten, above), authors need not insert the extra markup command in the text. The same effect can be achieved with the eqsecnum document substyle.

\documentstyle[aasms,eqsecnum]{article}

#### **Bibliography**

As discussed briefly in the preceding section on citations, there are two main methods for managing citations and references. Many authors are comfortable with the standard process of entering citations in the proper format directly in the body of an article, and then organizing the reference list themselves. Such authors would use \markcite for the citation call-outs in the text, and employ the references environment for the reference list.

The references environment simply sets off the list of references and adjusts spacing parameters.

```
\begin{references}
\reference bibliographic data
    .
    .
\end{references}
```

Each reference is preceded by a \reference command.

Observe that the bibliographic data supplied by the author must conform to the standards of the journal. We have elected not to burden authors with tedious markup commands to delimit the bibliographic fields because many of the journals we have targeted in this project have agreed to reduce typographic overhead (bolding, italicizing, etc.) in reference lists (Abt 1990). It is the responsibility of the author to get these fields in the proper order with the correct punctuation; the information will be typeset as is, i.e., in roman with no size or style changes.

It is also possible to use the semantics of LATEX's thebibliography environment, marking citations with \cite and associating references with them via \bibitem. The \cite-\bibitem mechanism associates citations and references symbolically while maintaining proper citation syntax within the paper. The author must create the citation label for each reference in proper journal format in the \bibitem command.

```
\begin{thebibliography}
\bibitem[LABEL]{TAG} \reference bibliographic
data
    .
    .
\end{thebibliography}
```

where LABEL must adhere to journal standards, e.g., "Abt 1986". Note that it is not possible to use \bibitems within the references environment, nor will \cite commands work properly in the main body if \bibitems are not properly specified. This technique can be a bit tricky, and there are limitations on the way that the citation LABEL is formatted. Authors are advised to consult the LATEX manual (Lamport 1985).

Citation management can be complex, and systems have been developed to assist authors in preparing bibliographies. The program that manages references within the TEX family is called BIBTEX, and it is designed to work in conjunction with the citation and reference list capabilities of IATEX. At the present time, there is no compelling reason to force an implementation based on BIBTEX, although it should be possible to build reference lists with BIBTEX if authors choose. (It is also

possible to define a bibliographic style for BIBTEX so that citations and reference lists are formatted correctly automatically.)

An identifier denoting that the article was prepared with the AASTEX package appears as a footnote on the last page of references.

#### Abbreviations for journals

There are markup commands for many of the oftreferenced journals so that authors may use the markup names as a shorthand rather than having to look up a particular journal's specific abbreviation. In principle, all the journals should be using the same abbreviations as well, but it is fair to anticipate some changes in the specific abbreviations before a set is finally settled on. As long as these commands are kept up to date, authors need not be concerned about such editorial preferences and changes.

\aj	Astronomical Journal
\araa	Annual Review of Astronomy
(ar aa	and Astrophysics
\apj	Astrophysical Journal
\apjl	—, Letters to the Editor
\apjs	—, Supplement Series
\ao	Applied Optics
\apss	Astrophysics and Space Science
\aap	Astronomy and Astrophysics
\aaps	—, Supplement Series
\azh	Astronomicheskii Zhurnal
\baas	Bulletin of the AAS
\jrasc	Journal of the RAS of Canada
\memras	Memoirs of the RAS
\mnras	Monthly Notices of the RAS
\pra	Physical Review A: General Physics
\prb	Physical Review B: Solid State
\prc	Physical Review C:
\prd	Physical Review D:
\prl	Physical Review Letters
\pasp	Publications of the ASP
\pasj	Publications of the ASJ
\qjras	Quarterly Journal of the RAS
\skytel	Sky and Telescope
\sovast	Soviet Astronomy
\ssr	Space Science Reviews
\zap	Zeitschrift für Astrophysik
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#### **Tables**

There is support in the AASTEX package for tables via two mechanisms: IATEX's standard table and tabular environments, and a planotable environment that facilitates the formatting of lengthy tabular material. Short tables may be marked up using either mechanism; long tables will require the use of planotable.

IATEX permits the preparation of fairly complex tables with arbitrary spacing, straddle heads and rules, and the like. Authors who need to specify complicated column headings and so forth are advised to consult the IATEX manual (Lamport 1985) for details. Most of the capabilities are applicable to AASTEX's planotable environment as well as IATEX's tabular.

## Long tables, plano tables

This section describes the use of the planotable environment. This environment is so named because it was originally developed to aid authors in preparing camera-ready tables for an article; such camera-ready material would be produced in the same way as planographic figures, hence the term "plano table".

There are several desiderata that are somewhat above and beyond LaTeX's tabular environment that facilitate the formatting of such tables. Among these are breaking long tables across pages, using footnotes in a table, specifying comments and references for tables, etc.

There are special IATEX substyle options within the AASTEX package that authors can use to produce plano table output suitable for photographic reproduction in specific AAS and ASP journals; these are the aj\_pt and apjpt substyles.

# \documentstyle[aj\_pt]{article} \documentstyle[apjpt]{article}

When tabular material is prepared with one of these style files, the pages produced will be suitable for submission to the journal as camera-ready "art". These special styles are intended for producing plano tables only; manuscripts should not be formatted with the aj\_pt or the apjpt substyle; Plano tables should be formatted separately from the manuscript.

Very long tables can be formatted within manuscripts using the same markup commands as plano tables; the output looks different, of course. The planotable environment is delimited by LATEX's familiar \begin and \end constructs.

# \begin{planotable}{COLS} \end{planotable}

COLS specifies the justification for each column. One of the letters 'l', 'c', or 'r' is given for each column, indicating left, center, or right justification. Authors are referred to the LATEX manual (Lamport 1985) for further information.

There are several items in a planotable environment that must be given before the data for the table.

## \tablewidth{DIMEN} \tablecaption{TEXT}

The width of a plano table is defined by **\tablewidth**; the default width is the width of the body text. The table can be set to its natural width by specifying a DIMEN of Opt.

The caption (actually, the title) of the table is specified in \tablecaption. The intent is for the text of \tablecaption to be brief; explanatory notes may be specified in the end notes to the table (\tablecomments, see below).

## \tablehead{TEXT} \colhead{HEADING}

Column headings are specified within a \tablehead. Within the \tablehead, each column heading can be given in a \colhead, which will ensure that the heading is centered on the natural width of the column; this is the typical disposition of column headings, and the use of \colhead is encouraged. There should be a heading for each column, so there should be as many \colhead commands in the \tablehead as there are data columns. If more complicated column headings are required, any valid tabular commands that constitute a proper head line for the table may be used. Consult the LATEX manual (Lamport 1985) for details about using the tabular environment to prepare tables.

#### \tableheadfrac{NUM}

It is possible that a complicated table heading will overflow the vertical space allotted for the table heading. The fraction of the page allocated for the table heading may be changed with \tableheadfrac. The NUM argument to \tableheadfrac should be the decimal fraction of the page used for heading information. The default value is .1, meaning that 10% of the page height is reserved for the table heading. It should rarely be necessary to change this value.

After the table title and column headings are specified, data lines can be entered. There are some concessions that must be made in the markup language in order to enable the automatic page breaking.

## \startdata

The body of the plano table (the beginning of the data lines) is indicated by a \startdata command.

\startdata produces a table title (caption), the column headings are formatted, and tabular formatting is engaged.

## \nl \tablevspace{DIMEN}

Data elements within a row of the table are separated with & (ampersand) characters. The end of each row is indicated with \nl. Extra vertical space can be inserted between rows with a \tablevspace command; the argument is a dimension, and may be specified in any units that are legitimate in IATeX.

\tablebreak \nodata

If a page break needs to be forced in a plano table, \tablebreak should be used instead of \nl. This is sometimes necessary when several rows of data are associated with a single object or item; such logical groupings should not be broken across pages, and \tablebreak can be used to ensure that the page breaks are rational in these cases.

The journals often require that elements for which there are no data be explicitly marked. This is to differentiate such elements from blank elements, which are frequently interpreted as implicitly repeating the entry in the corresponding element in the row preceding. Data elements for which there are no data should contain a \nodata command; an appropriate symbol will be placed in that data element.

Within the plane table body, two kinds of "specialty" heads are recognized.

## \cutinhead{TEXT} \sidehead{TEXT}

A cut-in head is a piece of text that is centered on the table width; it is spaced above and below from the data rows that precede and follow it, and there may be rules associated, depending on the journal or manuscript style. All of these formatting particulars are managed by the style files. The author need only specify the text to be centered with a \cutinhead command. Similarly, a side head is a piece of text that is left-justified.

Table footnotes (more properly, table endnotes) may be used in the planotable environment; their use is described in detail in the section on *Table footnotes*, below. The markup commands for such endnotes are as follows.

\tablenotemark{TAG LETTER(S)}
\tablenotetext{ALPHA TAG}{TEXT}

## \tablecomment{TEXT} \tablerefs{TEXT}

It is possible to override LATEX's automatic numbering within the planotable environment.

#### \tablenum{TEXT}

When \tablenum is specified inside a planotable environment, the text supplied as an argument to \tablenum is used as the table identifier. IATEX's equation counter is not incremented when \tablenum is used. \tablenum must be used inside the planotable environment.

#### $Short\ tables$

Short tables (smaller than one manuscript page) may be marked and composed using the standard LATEX tools for tables. Tables should appear in table environments.

## \begin{table} \end{table}

The table environment encloses not only the tabular material but also any title (caption) or footnote information associated with the table.

Titles or captions for short tables are indicated with

## \caption{TEXT}

Tables will be identified with arabic numerals, e.g., "Table 2"; the identifying text, including the number, is generated automatically by \caption within the table environment.

Tabular information is typeset within the tabular environment.

# \begin{tabular}{COLS} \end{tabular}

where COLS specifies the justification for each column. One of the letters 'l', 'c', or 'r' is given for each column, indicating left, center, or right justification. Consult the IATEX manual (Lamport 1985) for details about using the tabular environment to prepare tables. There should be only one tabular table per table environment. If the journal requests manuscripts with only one table per page, the author may need to insert a \clearpage command after especially short tables.

There is a **\tableline** command for use in **tabular** environments.

#### \tableline

This command produces the horizontal rule(s) between the column headings and the body of the table. Authors are discouraged from using any **\hlines** themselves; vertical rules are typically forbidden by editorial preference.

It is possible to override L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's automatic numbering within the table environment.

## \tablenum{TEXT}

When \tablenum is specified inside a table environment, the text supplied as an argument to \tablenum is used as the table identifier. IATEX's equation counter is not incremented when \tablenum is used. \tablenum must be used inside the table environment.

## $Table\ footnotes$

AASTEX supports footnotes (endnotes) that are associated with tables; this support applies to both the planotable environment and the standard IATEX table environment. Footnotes for tables are usually identified by lower case letters rather than numbers. Marking and assigning associated text is achieved with the \tablenotemark and \tablenotetext commands, in which the note identifier is required (cf. \altaffilmark and \altaffiltext). The \tablenotetext must be specified before the enclosing \end{table}, since the text of notes to tables are displayed by that command.

## \tablenotemark{TAG LETTER(S)} \tablenotetext{ALPHA TAG}{TEXT}

Note that the TAG LETTER should be the same as the ALPHA TAG for the corresponding TEXT. It is the responsibility of the author to get the correspondence correct.

AASTEX also supports special kinds of table endnotes. Sometimes authors tabulate things which have corresponding references, and it may be desirable to associate these references with the table rather than (or in addition to) the formal reference list. Occasionally, authors wish to append a short paragraph of explanatory notes that pertain to the entire table, but which are different than the caption.

## \tablerefs{REFERENCE LIST} \tablecomments{TEXT}

The table endnotes are coupled to the table in which they occur, rather than being associated with a particular page, and they are printed with the table (relatively close to the caption) instead of appearing at the extreme bottom of the page. This is done to ensure that the notes wind up on the same page as the table, since tables are floats and can migrate from one page to another.

## **Figures**

At this time, the most widely used means of including non-textual data in electronic manuscripts is to insert such information as PostScript.<sup>1</sup> There is limited support for handling PostScript figures in this version of the AASTEX markup package.

If the author wishes for the PostScript figure to be inserted in the page being produced, it is necessary to use the *dvips* program. This program is available in the public domain via anonymous FTP from labrea.stanford.edu. It is also necessary that the graphics files being included conform to the Encapsulated PostScript standard (Adobe 1990). Encapsulated PostScript will be referred to as 'EPS' in what follows.

There are three commands for including EPS files in AASTEX manuscripts, and these should be placed within a figure environment.

\plotone inserts the graphic in the named EPSFILE, scaled (in both dimensions) so that the horizontal dimension fits in the body text width; the vertical dimension is scaled to maintain the aspect ratio. \plottwo inserts two plots next to each other. Scale factors are determined automatically from information in the EPS file.

For the adventuresome, there is also \plotfiddle, which can be used to override any automatic scaling, or to compensate for the fact that scaling data in the EPS file may be erroneous. When this method is used, the author must specify the vertical space allotment for the graphic. The scaling and placement of the figure are controlled by these parameters:

VSIZE	vertical white space to allow for
	plot (LATEX dimension)
ROT	rotation angle (degrees)
HSF	horizontal scale (percentage)
VSF	vertical scale (percentage)
HTRANS	horizontal translation (PS points)
VTRANS	vertical translation (PS points)

PostScript points are 1/72 inches, so an HTRANS of 72 moves the graphic 1 inch to the right. The PostScript

reference point is the lower left corner of the page, so a VTRANS of 72 moves the graphic up 1 inch.

Authors are referred to the submission instructions for the appropriate editorial office if EPS figures will be submitted along with a manuscript via email. These instructions can be obtained by sending a request by email to one of the addresses given in the README file.

Figures may still be submitted on paper in the usual way, with or without a companion paper manuscript. When an author submits figures on paper, only the figure captions need to be generated with the text of the paper. They should be produced by using the \caption command within an otherwise empty figure environment.

```
\begin{figure}
\caption{TEXT}
\end{figure}
```

When the figure environment is used, the figure identification, e.g., "Figure 1", is generated automatically by \caption. It is usually acceptable for several figure captions to appear on the same page.

It is possible to override LATEX's automatic numbering within the figure environment.

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\figurenum{TEXT}
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When \figurenum is specified inside a figure environment, the text supplied as an argument to \figurenum is used as the figure identifier. IATEX's equation counter is not incremented when \figurenum is used. \figurenum must be used inside the figure environment.

Footnotes are *not* supported for figures.

## Miscellaneous

When discussing atomic species, ionization levels can be indicated with the following command.

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\ion{ELEMENT}{LEVEL}
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The ionization state is specified as the second argument, and should be given as a numeral. For example, Ca III is specified by typing \ion{Ca}{3}.

AASTEX contains two commands that permit authors to specify alternate forms for fractions. Authors submitting manuscripts electronically will generally find it unnecessary to use any markup other than the standard IATEX  $\$ 

\case{NUM}{DENOM}
\slantfrac{NUM}{DENOM}

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>mathrm{PostScript}$  is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems Incorporated.

IATEX will set fractions in displayed math as built-up fractions; it is sometimes desirable to use case fractions in displayed equations. In such instances, one should use \case rather than \frac. Occasionally, authors wish to typeset fractions with a solidus but in which the type size is reduced and the numerals are oriented diagonally. In this case, \slantfrac should be used instead of \frac. Note that this is different from a shilled fraction, which authors can produce without any special markup.

Built-up "
$$frac$$
-1"-2"  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Case " $case$ -1"-2"  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Slant " $slant frac$ -1"-2"  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Shilled 1/2 1/2

The AASTEX package also contains a collection of assorted macros for special symbols (or abbreviations) that authors tend to work out for themselves anyway. Some of the definitions come from the  $A\mathcal{E}A$  package (Springer 1989); some are contributions from individuals. We have tried to select a tractable number that were useful and also somewhat difficult to get right because fussy kerning or some such is required.

\deg \sun \arcmin \fd	∘ ⊙ , d	\sq \earth \arcsec \fh	□ ⊕ ″ h
\fm	m ·	\fs	s •
\fdg	•	\farcm	
\farcs		\fp	P •
\micron	$\mu\mathrm{m}$		
\onehalf	$^{1}/_{2}$	\ubvr	UBVR
\onethird	$^{1}/_{3}$	\ub	$U\!-\!B$
\twothirds	$^{2}/_{3}$	\bv	B - V
\onequarter	$^{1}/_{4}$	\vr	V-R
\threequarters	$^{3}\!/_{4}$	\ur	$U\!-\!R$
\$\lesssim\$	$\lesssim$	\$\gtrsim\$	$\gtrsim$

Most of these commands can be used in running text as well as when setting mathematical expressions. \lesssim and \gtrsim can only be used in math mode, which is sensible since they are relations. It is possible to use \earth and \sun as subscripts, e.g., \$1.4 M\_{\sun} \sun \sun \le \le 1.4 M\_{\sun}.

#### Concluding the file

The last thing in the electronic manuscript file should be the

\end{document}

command, which appears after all the back matter of the paper. This command directs the formatter to perform assorted termination activities and finish processing.

#### 4. Additional documentation

The preceding detailed explanation of the markup commands in this package has certain merit, but many authors will prefer to examine the sample papers that are included with the style files. The files of interest are described below.

The file sample1.tex is a paper prepared with the AASTEX package utilizing a minimal amount of markup. The most salient thing to observe about this example is that, apart from the document style declarations, no formatting instructions are given in the file.

A more comprehensive example requiring nearly all of the capabilities of the package (in terms of markup as well as formatting) is in sample2.tex. This file is annotated with comments that describe the purpose of most of the markup. sample2.tex includes samp2tbl.tex, which contains an example of a long table marked up using the planotable environment. This demonstrates the use of planotable for long tables in manuscripts.

A set of three tables prepared as "plano" tables are contained in the files table1.tex, table2.tex, and table3.tex. They can be formatted by running IATeX on the samptbls.tex file, into which they are included. The document style in samptbls.tex is apjpt in the distribution, but this can be changed to aj\_pt to see the effects of differing requirements among journals. Page breaks are explicitly indicated in table1.tex, and they are set for the ApJ style; due to the different type size used in the AJ, the pages break somewhat irrationally when the aj\_pt style is used. It is left as an exercise to the reader to make sense of this.

Also included in the distribution are files for two AAS meeting posters, marked up as they would be for submission; they are called paper1.tex and paper2.tex. One of these (paper2.tex) includes a discussion of some of the issues surrounding standardized markup for electronic manuscripts (Hanisch and Biemesderfer 1990). This user guide (manual.tex) is also marked up with the AASTEX package, although it is not exemplary as a scientific paper.

A number of the markup commands described in the preceding sections are standard IATEX commands, and the reader who is unfamiliar with their syntax is referred to the IATEX manual (Lamport 1985) for details. A cribsheet listing all the IATEX commands (and some pertinent plain TEX commands) with short descriptions of each is published by the TEX Users Group (Botway and Biemes-

derfer 1989).

Authors who wish to know the ins and outs of  $T_EX$  itself should read the  $T_EXbook$  (Knuth 1984), probably more than once. There is a good deal of information about typography in general in this source. Many details of mathematical typography are discussed in a book by Swanson (1971).

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#### A. Special symbols

The IATEX language has a wide variety of special symbols for which markup commands have already been defined. These range from diacritics to exotic mathematical operators.

This section groups LATEX's symbols together more or less according to function. Some of these symbols are primarily for use in text; most of them are mathematical symbols, and can only be used in LATEX's math mode. These tables are excerpted from the LATEX Command Summary (Botway 1989).

Table 1: Text-mode accents

ò	\'{o}	ō	\={o}	oo	\t{oo}
ó	\'{o}	ò	\.{o}	Q	\c{o}
ô	\^{o}	ŏ	$\u{o}$	Ò	$\d{o}$
ö	\"{o}	ŏ	\v{o}	Ō	\b{o}
õ	\~{o}	ő	\H{o}		

Table 2: National symbols

œ	\oe	$ {a}$	\aa	ł	\1
Œ	\0E	Å	\AA	Ł	\L
æ	\ae	Ø	\0	ß	\ss
Æ	\AF.	Ø	\0		

Table 3: Miscellaneous symbols

†	\dag	§	\S	<b>©</b>	\copyright
‡	\ddag	$\P$	\P	£	\pounds
#	\#	\$	\\$	%	\%
&	\&	_	\_		
{	\{	}	\}		

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$\hat{a}$	$\hat{a}$	$\dot{a}$	$\det\{a\}$
$\check{a}$	$\check{a}$	$\ddot{a}$	$\dot{a}$
$\tilde{a}$	$\tilde{a}$	$reve{a}$	\breve{a}
$\acute{a}$	$\acute{a}$	$\bar{a}$	\bar{a}
$\grave{a}$	\grave{a}	$\vec{a}$	$\vec{a}$

Table 5: Greek letters (math mode)

$\begin{array}{c} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \\ \delta \\ \epsilon \\ \zeta \\ \eta \\ \theta \\ \iota \\ \kappa \\ \lambda \\ \mu \end{array}$	<pre>\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \epsilon \zeta \eta \theta \iota \kappa \lambda \mu</pre>	$egin{array}{ccc}  u & \xi & o & \pi & \sigma & \sigma$	<pre>\nu \xi o \pi \rho \sigma \tau \upsilon \phi \chi \psi \omega</pre>
$egin{array}{c} arepsilon \ artheta \ arrho \ arrho \ \end{array}$	\varepsilon \vartheta \varrho	$arphi \ arphi$	\varsigma \varphi
$\Gamma$ $\Delta$ $\Theta$ $\Lambda$ $\Xi$ $\Pi$	\Gamma \Delta \Theta \Lambda \Xi \Pi	$\Sigma$ $\Upsilon$ $\Phi$ $\Psi$	\Sigma \Upsilon \Phi \Psi \Omega

Table 6: Binary operations (math mode)

$\pm$	\pm	$\cap$	\cap
<b>Ŧ</b>	\mp	$\cup$	\cup
\	\setminus	$\forall$	\uplus
	\cdot	П	\sqcap
×	\times	$\sqcup$	\sqcup
*	\ast	◁	\triangleleft
*	\star	$\triangleright$	$\$ triangleright
$\Diamond$	\diamond	}	\wr
0	\circ	$\bigcirc$	\bigcirc
•	\bullet	$\triangle$	\bigtriangleup
÷	\div	$\nabla$	\bigtriangledown
$\triangleleft$	\lhd	$\triangleright$	\rhd
$\vee$	\vee	$\odot$	\odot
$\wedge$	\wedge	†	\dagger
$\oplus$	\oplus	‡	\ddagger
$\ominus$	\ominus	П	\amalg
$\otimes$	\otimes	$\nabla$	\unlhd
$\oslash$	\oslash	$\trianglerighteq$	\unrhd

Table 7: Relations (math mode)

$\leq$	\leq	$\geq$	\geq
$\prec$	\prec	$\succ$	\succ
$\preceq$	\preceq	$\succeq$	\succeq
<b>«</b>	\11	>>	\gg
$\subset$	\subset	$\supset$	\supset
$\subseteq$	\subseteq	$\supseteq$	\supseteq
	\sqsubset		\sqsupset
$\sqsubseteq$	\sqsubseteq	$\supseteq$	\sqsupseteq
$\in$	\in	$\ni$	\ni
$\vdash$	\vdash	$\dashv$	\dashv
$\overline{}$	\smile		\mid
$\frown$	\frown		\parallel
$\neq$	\neq	$\perp$	\perp
=	\equiv	$\cong$	\cong
$\sim$	\sim	$\bowtie$	\bowtie
$\simeq$	\simeq	$\propto$	\propto
$\simeq$	$\asymp$	=	\models
$\approx$	\approx	÷	\doteq
		M	\Join

Table 8: Variable-sized symbols (math mode)

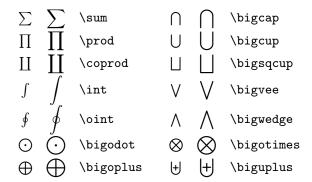


Table 9: Delimiters (math mode)

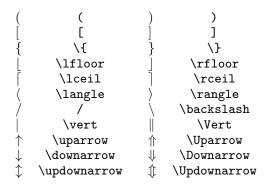


Table 10: Function names (math mode)

\arccos	\csc	\ker	\min
$\arcsin$	\deg	\lg	\Pr
\arctan	\det	\lim	\sec
\arg	\dim	$\label{liminf}$	\sin
\cos	\exp	$\label{limsup}$	\sinh
\cosh	\gcd	$\ln$	\sup
\cot	$\hom$	\log	$\operatorname{\lambda tan}$
\coth	\inf	\max	\tanh

Table 11: Arrows (math mode)

$\leftarrow$	\leftarrow	$\leftarrow$	\longleftarrow
$\Leftarrow$	ackslash Leftarrow	$\iff$	\Longleftarrow
$\rightarrow$	\rightarrow	$\longrightarrow$	\longrightarrow
$\Rightarrow$	\Rightarrow	$\Longrightarrow$	$\Longrightarrow$
$\leftrightarrow$	$\$ leftrightarrow	$\longleftrightarrow$	\longleftrightarrow
$\Leftrightarrow$	$ackslash  ext{Leftrightarrow}$	$\iff$	\Longleftrightarrow
$\mapsto$	\mapsto	$\longmapsto$	\longmapsto
$\leftarrow$	$\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ $	$\hookrightarrow$	\hookrightarrow
_	$\$ leftharpoonup		\rightharpoonup
$\overline{}$	$\$ leftharpoondown	$\overline{}$	\rightharpoondown
$\rightleftharpoons$	\rightleftharpoons	$\sim$	\leadsto
$\uparrow$	\uparrow	<b>\$</b>	\Updownarrow
$\uparrow$	\Uparrow	7	\nearrow
$\downarrow$	\downarrow	$\searrow$	\searrow
$\Downarrow$	\Downarrow	/	\swarrow
$\updownarrow$	\updownarrow	_	\nwarrow

Table 12: Miscellaneous symbols (math mode)

×	\aleph	,	\prime
$\hbar$	\hbar	Ø	\emptyset
$\imath$	\imath	$\nabla$	\nabla
Ĵ	$\$ jmath		\surd
$\ell$	\ell	Ť	\top
60	\wp	$\perp$	\bot
$\Re$	\Re		\1
$\Im$	\Im	Z	\angle
$\partial$	\partial	$\triangle$	\triangle
$\infty$	$\$ infty	\	\backslash
	\Box	$\Diamond$	\Diamond
$\forall$	\forall	#	\sharp
$\exists$	\exists	# <b>*</b>	\clubsuit
$\neg$	\neg	$\Diamond$	\diamondsuit
b	\flat	$\Diamond$	$\heartsuit$
Ц	$\n$	•	\spadesuit
Ω	\mho		