

# Workshop on Document typesetting and Processing using $\text{\LaTeX}$

## Session: Bibliography in $\text{\LaTeX}$



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# Motivation

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Standard documents require proper referencing and bibliography. Key points with  $\text{\LaTeX}$  bibliography management are:

1. Very flexible bibliography styling.
2. Very simple conversion between different bibliography style.
3. Flexible cross-referencing and hyper-linking.
4. Possibility to manage references material using independent tools e.g. Endnote<sup>®</sup>, Bibtex.

We will explore first a basic referencing in  $\text{\LaTeX}$  and follow it up with a very flexible NATBIB package.

# thebibliography Environment I

Referencing involves two information: The **Citation** and the detail of the citation- the **complete reference information**.

We will start with the latter.

The environment for providing reference information is: `\begin{ the-bibliography}{options}`. A typical code is:

```
\begin{thebibliography}{9}  
  
\bibitem{lamport94}  
  Leslie Lamport,  
  \emph{\LaTeX: A Document Preparation System}.  
  Addison Wesley, Massachusetts,  
  2nd Edition,  
  1994.  
\end{thebibliography}
```

## thebibliography Environment II

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The `\begin{thebibliography}{options}` refers to the width of the widest label in the bibliography. We use the value **1 – 9** if the document has up to **9** references, and **any two digit number**, e.g. **56**, if the document has **9 and 99** references.

In `\bibitem{lamport94}`, `\bibitem` specifier which identifies “**lamport94**” as the citation. The identifier can be in any format,

Finally, we use `\cite[options]{lamport94}` to cite in the text. In **options** we can add any text information that we want to appear in the citation, e.g. [p. 215], referring to page number 215 of the Lamport book published in 94.

# thebibliography Environment III

Lets us look at an example.

## Reference Citing Example

```
We appreciate the great work in \cite{knuth2014},  
which let us write our work more beautifully  
\cite[p. 200]{lamport94}.
```

This will result to, assuming the 2 references information:

## Output

We appreciate the great work in [2], which let us  
write our work more beautifully[1, p. 200] .

### References

- [1] Leslie Lamport, \LaTeX: A Document Preparation System. Addison Wesley, Massachusetts, 2nd Edition, 1994.
- [2] nuth, Donald Ervin. \The Art of Computer Programming (TAOCP)". Retrieved February 01, 2014.

# The natbib package

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The natbib package extends the citation in  $\text{\LaTeX}$  writing, catering to the requirements of most of the scientific literature. The basic commands are:

In the preamble (before the `\begin{document}`) command we add:

1. `\usepackage[options]{natbib}`. Options are usually- authoryear, square, comma, numbers etc. More will be defined later.
2. `\bibliographystyle{styles}`. Styles are provided by publishers e.g. rsc, nature, IEEEtranN, etc., but can also be customized. The file type is “.bst”.

natbib also extends the `\cite` command, we see how.

# The natbib package

Several ways to cite using natbib package:

Citation Command		Output
<code>\citet{goossens93}</code>	⇒	Goossens et al. (1993)
<code>\citep{goossens93}</code>	⇒	(Goossens et al., 1993)
<code>\citet*{goossens93}</code>	⇒	Goossens, Mittlebach, and Samarin (1993)
<code>\citep*{goossens93}</code>	⇒	(Goossens, Mittlebach, and Samarin, 1993)
<code>\citealt{goossens93}</code>	⇒	Goossens et al. 1993
<code>\citealp{goossens93}</code>	⇒	Goossens et al., 1993
<code>\citetale91,rav92</code>	⇒	Alex et al. (1991); Ravi et al. (1992)
<code>\citep[see][chap. 4]ale91</code>	⇒	[see Alex 1991, chap. 4]

Finally, we re-visit the citation information input using natbib package.

# The natbib package

The natbib package provides an option for the `\bibitem` command, i.e. we now use: `\bibitem[custom text]{ ref. identifier}`. Examples:

## Refernce details in input

```
\begin{thebibliography}{99}
\bibitem[Leslie(1985)]{les85}Leslie Lamport, 1985.
\LaTeX{} -A Document Preparation...
\bibitem[Donale(2000)]{don89}Donald E. Knuth, 1989.
Typesetting Concrete Mathematics,.....
\end{thebibliography}
```

## Output

### References

Leslie Lamport, 1985. LaTeX -A Document Preparation...  
Donald E. Knuth, 1989. Typesetting Concrete Mathematics,...



# Final Notes

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$\text{\LaTeX}$  simplifies the referencing works of the document. The preceding slides only briefly introduced the referencing using  $\text{\LaTeX}$ . Following suggestions can be helpful.

1. Detail at the [wikipedia](#) site.
2. Different bibliography management software that can provide output for  $\text{\LaTeX}$  can be found [here](#)
3. More packages to manage complex bibliography, e.g. [multiple bibliography](#), [Chapter-wise bibliography](#), [unit-wise bibliography](#) etc.
4. A good  $\text{\LaTeX}$  [tutorial](#).

Next ...,

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Cross-referencing,  
Hyperlinking...

Last but not least...,