LaTeX: A Document Preparation System

An Introduction

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- Nor it is straightforward much of the time.
 - errors can be particularly hard to unpick sometimes.

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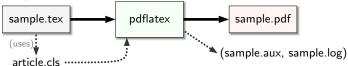
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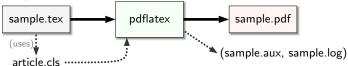
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simple.tex:
\% comments start with a percent sign and continue to EOL
% comment symbol at EOL is a continuation
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\begin{document}
Welcome to a very simple \LaTeX~document!
\end{document}
\endinput
bash$ pdflatex simple
... stuff
\rightarrow simple.pdf.
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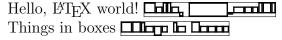
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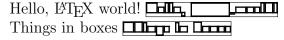
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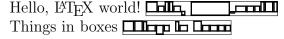
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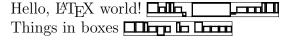
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diagram produced using the layout package and '\layout' command.

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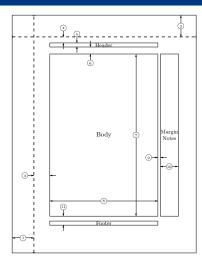
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\begin{document}

\layout

\end{document} \endinput

 \rightarrow layout.pdf



- one inch + \hoffset \oddsidemargin = 54pt
- \headheight = 12pt
- \textheight = 541pt
- \marginparsep = 10pt \footskip = 30pt
- \hoffset = Opt \paperwidth = 614pt
- one inch + \voffset
- \topmargin = 21pt
- \headsep = 25pt \textwidth = 360pt
- \marginparwidth = 59pt
 - \marginparpush = 5pt (not shown) \voffset = Opt \paperheight = 794pt

Manipulating The Page Layout

- The standard LATEX article leaves a lot of whitespace around a page.
 - typical when preparing an article for an academic journal, less so for general writing (e.g. your coursework).
- Easy to manipulate these in the document's **preamble**.

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\addtolength{\textwidth}{1.8in}
\addtolength{\textheight}{1.8in}
\addtolength{\topmargin}{-0.8in}
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- Note: **odd** and **even** refer to double-sided pages.
- layout2.tex \rightarrow layout2.pdf
- And someone else already did this for us!

```
\usepackage{fullpage}
```

Writing a Document

Enough with the background, time to write something!

```
\documentclass[a4paper,12pt]{article}
\usepackage{times} % nicer font
\pagestyle{empty}
\begin{document}
\title{My Assessment}
\author{J.~Random User}
\date{\today}
\maketitle
For this assessment we were asked to find out about how
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which was hard since such a thing doesn't really exist.
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- the \today command to get today's date.
- bulleted lists with the itemize environment; new items introduced with \item.
- lacktriangle emphasised text with ' $\{\ensuremath{\mbox{\mbox{em}}}$... $\}$ '.
- bold text with '{\em ...}'.
- footnotes with '\footnote{...}'.

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My Assessment

J. Random User March 17, 2014

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\usepackage{times}
\pagestyle{empty}
\begin{document}
\title{My Assessment 2}
\author{J.~Random User\\{\small\tt jru2@kent.ac.uk}}
\date{\today}
\maketitle
\section{Introduction}
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\end{document} \endinput

- the \author command takes a more complex argument:
 - \\ forces a line break.
 - \small sets font size.
 - \tt sets typewriter font.
- various sectioning commands.
- labels placed with \label{...}.
- referenced with \ref{...}.
 - or page with \pageref{..}.

With this example, need to run pdflatex **twice** to resolve the cross-references.

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Dealing With Errors

- Before long, you will probably run into an **error**.
 - or more commonly, a warning.
- Amongst the messages generated in the output will be some reference to where the problem lies.
 - usually a line number in your source file.
 - common mistakes include typos in use of brackets (e.g. wrong ones), not escaping special characters, unbalanced environments.

The Second Lecture

- This is the second lecture :-).
- The earlier lecture briefly covered:
 - introduction to LaTeX and its syntax (commands, groups, etc.).
 - document structure and some style.
 - layout of the page (margins, etc.).
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2. The odd looking 'P', $\mathbb P$ is from the $\mathit{blackboard\text{-}bold}$ set.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

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\label{eq:pathon} $$ \mathbf{P}_{(x,y)} = \mathbf{R} \times \mathrm{mathrm}_{\sin}(\theta), $$ : R \times \mathrm{mathrm}_{\cos}(\theta) \to \mathbb{P}(x,y) = (R \times \sin(\theta), R \times \cos(\theta))$$
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Superscripts and Subscripts

- Have many uses when writing maths.
 - when writing about code (arrays).
 - typesetting above and below things like *sum* or *integrate* (\int) .
 - subscripts typeset with the underscore, superscripts with hat (caret).

```
\begin{equation}
   \mathit{SumOf}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_{i},\qquad
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\end{equation}
```

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Typesetting Sets and Related

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- The align environment uses the ampersand (&) to align.
 - with the sans-serif fonts here:

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- the commands \cap, \cup and \wedge typeset the symbols shown.
- also: \setminus (\), \vee (\vee), \neq (\neq).
- Note use of \big1\{ and \big1\} for larger curly brackets.

Captioned Figures

```
front-matter
... something like that shown
in figure ~\ref{fig:sort}:
\begin{figure}[hbt]
  \centering
  \includegraphics[scale=.6]%
    {oddevensort.pdf}
  \caption{Odd-even sort,
    with values.}
  \label{fig:sort}
\end{figure}
For $n$ inputs, there ...
\begin{equation}
\end{equation}
```

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How Many Sorts?

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General question is, how many 'sort' processes are needed to construct an ode-even sort (a.k.a. bricksort). The 4-input version looks something like that shown in figure 1:

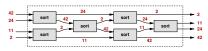


Figure 1: Odd-even sort, with values.

For n inputs, there need to be $\frac{n}{2}$ 'ranks', where each rank is a combination of even then odd sort processes. Within each rank, there are $\frac{n}{2}$ even sorts and $\frac{n}{2}-1$ odd sorts, giving:

$$\frac{n}{2} + \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) = \frac{2n - 2}{2} = n - 1$$
 (1)

and then multiplying by the number of ranks required:

$$\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \times (n-1) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \frac{n^2 - n}{2}$$
 (2)

And that's that!

A Few More Maths

Beta-reduction in the lambda-calculus is defined by substitution:

$$(\lambda v.E) x \longrightarrow_{\beta} E[x/v]$$
 (1)

math5.tex

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$$(\lambda vw.E) x \longrightarrow_{\beta} \lambda w.(E[x/v])$$
 (2)

where x may be any lambda term (variable, function or application). E.g.:

$$(\lambda xy.(y(xxy)))(\lambda xy.(y(xxy))) \longrightarrow_{\beta} \lambda y.(y((\lambda xy.(y(xxy)))(\lambda xy.(y(xxy)))y))$$
 (3)

Simulating Typed Text

- A variety of environments (some from packages) for this:
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- The 'alltt' environment (and package) is a bit more featured.
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 - makes it possible to tweak the style: emphasized, blue, etc.

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(using the hyperref package means that the generated PDF will contain links where appropriate)

My Assessment 4

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1 Introduction

This document includes some bibliographic references to things. There's an interesting paper by Donald Knuth, Computer Programming as an $h\pi$ [1]. And some other papers related to typesetting [2, 3, 4]. I've also included a reference to the ACM digital library [5].

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Using BibTeX — In Practice

- A minor inconvenience sometimes, but may need to run pdflatex or equivalent several times:
 - pdflatex: collects citations and other relevant information in the '.aux' file.
 - 2 bibtex: uses the .aux information to extract and format particular entries using the appropriate style. This results in a .bb1 file that contains the formatted (in LaTeX) entries.
 - pdflatex: pick up the formatted entries and drop them into the document, assigning numbers/names.
 - 4 pdflatex: pick up the final numbers/names in citation commands.

Tabular Material

■ The 'tabular' environment — and all its horridness.

Box Tricks

■ Boxing commands, e.g. '\raisebox', '\mbox', parbox, etc.

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