

An introduction to \LaTeX

Mathematical modelling I

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- \LaTeX is a typesetting program, not a word processing program.
- \LaTeX is free.
- \LaTeX is good to use when you want to write scientific documents.
- \LaTeX is a programming language.

The software you need is free and available on internet.

Distributors

- Miktex - Windows <http://www.miktex.org/>
- Tex Live - Linux <http://www.tug.org/texlive/>
- Mactex - Mac OSX <http://tug.org/mactex/>

Text editors

- Texniccenter - Windows <http://www.texniccenter.org/>
- Gnu Emacs <http://www.gnu.org/software/emacs/>
- Kile - Linux <http://www.kile.sourceforge.net/>
- Texshop - Mac OSX <http://www.uoregon.edu/~koch/texshop/>

Moreover

- Adobe reader
- Ghostscript

Getting started

The file where you are writing your document in should be named *.tex.
The document should have the following structure:

```
\documentclass[a4paper]{article}
```

```
%Load packages
```

```
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
```

```
\usepackage[swedish,english]{babel}
```

```
\usepackage[latin1]{inputenc}
```

```
\begin{document}
```

A short example **of** how to structure your document.

```
\end{document}
```

Text after `\end{document}` will be ignored.

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You can load different packages with the command `\usepackage{}`

All commands starts with the symbol `\`

The command `\\` gives a new line. (But it is recommended to insert a blank line to mark where a new part begins)

To insert a space after a command, type `\` directly after the command. For example `\LaTeX\` generates:

`LATEX` with a space, compare with `\LaTeX`, which gives `LATEX` without space.

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Some signs are reserved by \LaTeX . All of them are presented in the table below

Sign	Command in \LaTeX
<code>\</code>	<code>\textbackslash</code>
<code>{</code>	<code>\{</code>
<code>}</code>	<code>\}</code>
<code>%</code>	<code>\%</code>
<code>~</code>	<code>\textasciitilde</code>
<code>\$</code>	<code>\\$</code>
<code>_</code>	<code>_</code>
<code>^</code>	<code>\textasciicircum</code>
<code>&</code>	<code>\&</code>
<code>#</code>	<code>\#</code>

Here is an example of how to create a front page with title, date and author:

```
\title{Name of the report}  
\author{Student1 \and Student2}  
\date{\today}  
\maketitle
```

The result is presented on next page.

You can also add subtitle with the command `\subtitle{}` and more authors with the command `\and`.

Name of the report

Student1 Student2

August 9, 2010

A table of contents are generated with the command `\tableofcontents`. You can divide your paper into different sections and subsections with the commands `\section{}` and `\subsection{}`. If you want further subsections, just type `\subsubsection{}`.

If you want to make your text bold, use the command `\textbf{}`

If you want to make your text italic, use the command `\textit{}`

Some basics

A centered text is created with the commands `\begin{center}` and `\end{center}`.

A left aligned text is created with the commands `\begin{flushleft}` and `\end{flushleft}`.

A right aligned text is created with the commands `\begin{flushright}` and `\end{flushright}`.

For example the code

```
\begin{center}
  Centered text
\end{center}
```

gives the result

Centered text

A page break can be inserted with one of the following commands:

```
\newpage
```

```
\clearpage
```

```
\cleardoublepage
```

A foot note is made with the command `\footnote{text}`

Some basics

A numbered list is inserted with the command `\begin{enumerate}`. Every new item in the list is created with the command `\item`.

- 1 Some text.
- 2 Some more text.
- 3 Even more text.

To create a list without numbers, use the command `\begin{itemize}`.

The above example where made with the following code:

```
\begin{enumerate}
  \item Some text.
  \item Some more text.
  \item Even more text.
\end{enumerate}
```

To be able to write mathematics you need to load the following package

```
\usepackage{amsmath,amssymb,amsthm,upref}
```

When you write mathematics. You have two choices:

- Directly in the text, between dollar signs, examples:
 - $\$f(x)\$$ gives the result $f(x)$
 - $\$e^t + 3\$$ gives the result $e^t + 3$
 - $\$ \sin(x) \$$ gives the result $\sin(x)$
- Independently in a environment.
 - *equation* - gives a number on the equation
 - *align* - several rows, with the possibility to adjust
 - *gather* - several rows, centered

It now follows some examples of the different environments. The code

```
\begin{equation}
\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.
\end{equation}
```

Generates the following:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}. \quad (1)$$

If you want to create equations without a number, type `\[` and `\]` instead of `\begin{equation}` and `\end{equation}`.

The environment *align* can be used to adjust several lines. Note how the signs `&` and `\\` is used in the following code. The signs `&` will lie on a vertical line. The sign `\\` indicates a new row.

```
\begin{align}
  f^2 + g^4 &= 4 \\
  2f^2 + 5g^4 &= 6 \\
  7f^2 + 3g^4 &= 8
\end{align}
```

This generates the following:

$$f^2 + g^4 = 4 \tag{2}$$

$$2f^2 + 5g^4 = 6 \tag{3}$$

$$7f^2 + 3g^4 = 8 \tag{4}$$

To write several equations without numbers, just use the symbol `*` in the name of the environment. For example `\begin{align*}` generates the same code as above, but without numbering.

If you use the environment *gather* then will every row be centered.

```
\begin{gather}
x^2 = 4 \\
\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1
\end{gather}
```

The above code generates the following:

$$x^2 = 4 \tag{5}$$

$$\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1 \tag{6}$$

Rational expressions are typed with the command `\frac{numerator}{denominator}`.

The code

```
\[
  \frac{1+\cos 2x}{2} = \cos^2 x.
\]
```

gives

$$\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} = \cos^2 x.$$

To get parenthesis in the correct size, use `\left` and `\right`. Compare

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}\right) \text{ with } \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}\right).$$

This example was made with the following code:

```
\[
    (\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}) \text{ with } \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}\right)\
\]
```

Cases are typed with the command `\begin{cases}`. The code

```

\begin{cases}
f(x)=
\begin{cases}
x & \text{if } x > 2 \\
x-4 & \text{if } x \leq 2.
\end{cases}
\end{cases}

```

Gives this result:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 2 \\ x - 4 & \text{if } x \leq 2. \end{cases}$$

When you write mathematics note that the sentences has to be complete. Formulas and symbols have to be a part of a sentence.

This is an example of how to insert a table:

```
\begin{tabular}{columns}  
    text  
\end{tabular}
```

Where `columns` can be one or several of the following:

- `l` - align left
- `c` - centered
- `r` - align right
- `|` - vertical line

If you want to insert a horizontal line, type `\hrline`.

The commands `\\` and `&` is used to mark when a new row and column begins.

The code

```
\begin{tabular}{|c|cr|}  
  \hline  
  AB & CD & DE \\ \hline  
  12 & 34 & 56 \\ \hline  
  45 & 24 & 61 \\ \hline  
\end{tabular}
```

Generates this table:

AB	CD	DE
12	34	56
45	24	61

To be able to insert pictures, you have to load one of the following packages, depending on the compiler:

```
\usepackage[dvips]{graphicx}  
\usepackage[pdftex]{graphicx}
```

The recommended image format is

L^AT_EX - .eps, .mps.

pdfL^AT_EX - .jpg, .mps, .pdf, png.

You can use the schools computers to convert pictures to desired format.

Pictures are inserted with the command

```
\includegraphics[parameters]{filename}
```

The picture should be in the same folder as your document.

With [*parameters*] can we manipulate the picture. Some of the commands are

`height` - Change the height of the picture

`width` - Change the width of the picture

`scale` - Scale the picture with a given factor

For example, if we want to insert the picture, *testpicture.eps*, with the height and width 4.8cm and 3.7cm respectively. We write

```
\includegraphics[height=4.8cm,width=3.7cm]{testpicture.eps}
```

Pictures

It is recommended to insert pictures and tables in a floating environment. That means that the object is inserted either in the top or bottom of the page.

There are two different standard environment, `figure` and `table`. The code

```
\begin{floatingobject}[where  
    picture or table  
\end{floatingobject}
```

inserts a picture or table, depending on your choice. The command `where` should be replaced with one of the following

- h - Here, the object is placed where you insert it
- t - Top, the object is placed on the top of the page
- b - Bottom, the object is placed on the bottom of the page
- p - Page, the object is placed on a new page.

Picture- and table text is inserted with the command

```
\caption{text}
```

To center the object, use `\centering`.

We are now ready for an example. To insert a graph in the format `.jpg`, type the following code

```
\begin{figure}[b]
  \centering
  \includegraphics[width=6cm]{graph.jpg}
  \caption{The graph  $f(x)=x^2$ .}
\end{figure}
```

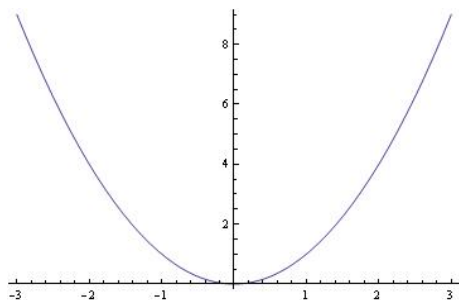


Figure: The graph $f(x) = x^2$.



A bibliography are typed with the environment

```
\begin{thebibliography}{9}  
  \bibitem[text]{tag}  
\end{thebibliography}
```

To refer to a reference, use the command `\cite{tag}`.

The code generates the bibliography on next page

```
\begin{thebibliography}{9}
  \bibitem{brockwell}
    Brockwell, Peter \& Davis, Richard (2002), \emph{
      Introduction to Time Series and Forecasting}, Second
      edition, New York: Springer–Verlag.
  \bibitem{resnick}
    Resnick, S.I. (1987), \emph{Extreme Values, Regular Variation
      , and Point Processes}, New York: Springer–Verlag.
\end{thebibliography}
```


-  Brockwell, Peter & Davis, Richard (2002), *Introduction to Time Series and Forecasting*, Second edition, New York: Springer-Verlag.
-  Resnick, S.I. (1987), *Extreme Values, Regular Variation, and Point Processes*, New York: Springer-Verlag.

To be able to refer to an object, the object first needs an label. This is done with the command `\label{tag}`.

To refer to an object write

`\ref{tag}` - refer to an object, for example picture or table.

`\pageref{tag}` - refer to a page.

`\eqref{tag}` - refer to an equation.

Example of how to refer to an equation:

```
\begin{equation}
  a^2+b^2=c^2
  \label{eq: pyth}
\end{equation}
We all know the meaning of equaion~\eqref{eq: pyth}.
```

The above code gives the result:

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 \tag{7}$$

We all know the meaning of equation (7).

Sometimes when you compile, you will note that the code does not work. Then you have to search for errors.

Some common errors are

- Misspelling
- Forgot a right parenthesis.
- Using wrong commands in wrong environment. For example `\frac{}{}` when you write text.
- Forgot to close an environment.

Don't be afraid to use internet to find out more about \LaTeX .

There are a lot of litterature available in the library and on internet.

The Not So Short Introduction to \LaTeX 2 _{ϵ}

<http://www.ctan.org/tex-archive/info/lshort/english/lshort.pdf>

Contains almost all information you need to know about \LaTeX .