

# Latex, packages and Beamer\*

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In this course we are not going to discuss basics in Latex, so it is assumed that basic information is known.<sup>1</sup>

## 1. Editor.

The first thing needed for Latex is a good editor. Of course anyone could use any text-editor (such as **nano**, **vi**, **emacs** and **gedit**, etc), and whenever is needed to call additional tools (such as **ispell** for spell checking, etc), but full-functional latex-editor can still benefit for its convenience, functionality, build-in mass used latex elements and explicit editing options.

Previously, for Linux primary was one such a tool, called **Kile**. With popularity of **Gnome** desktop environment it required to install additional 1GB packages related to KDE desktop. Now, recently released version 3 of **Texmaker** made a good light-weight substitute for **Kile** in Gnome.

Both of the tools supports spell-checking (ispell), line numbering, good navigation, built-in fast compilation tools (we however still prefer own Makefiles), rich symbol sets and hot-keys. There is also windows only option **TeXnicCenter** or **gedit** plugins for latex.

Reader may install any of the aforementioned editors or choose own, but we will concentrate here on **Texmaker**.

The first thing to do is understand short-cuts as it saves a lot of time. (Go to menu->options->Configure Texmaker and Editor tab contains the comprehensive list of short-cuts available and set). By default the following often used are set.

Key	Command
Ctrl+T	After selecting text can comment it (even multiple lines at once)
Ctrl+I	<code>\textit</code>
Ctrl+B	<code>\textbf</code>
Ctrl+Shift+S	<code>\textsl</code>
Ctrl+Shift+C	<code>\textsc</code>
Ctrl+Shift+T	<code>\texttt</code>
Ctrl+Shift+E	<code>\emph</code>
Ctrl+Shift+A	<code>\textsf</code>
Ctrl+Shift+M	Inline math mode <code>\$...\$</code>
Alt+Shift+M	Display math mode <code>\[...\]</code>

The author of this tutorial for convenience define own short-cuts using double set of commands in order to remove overlapping with environment in the form **Ctrl+Space, Ctrl+V** for **verbatim** environment or **Ctrl+Space, Ctrl+T** for tabular.

## 2. Basic structure. Every document has the form which is enough minimum to compile:

```
\documentclass[options]{class}
```

```
\begin{document}
```

```
\end{document}
```

*options* can be

- 10pt, 11pt, 12pt
- a4paper, letterpaper, a5paper, b5paper, executivepaper, legalpaper
- fleqn – Formulas a left aligned.

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\*Good Latex documentation online at <http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/>.

<sup>1</sup>Additional external material includes: Latex tutorial <http://www.tug.org/twg/mactex/tutorials/ltxprimer-1.0.pdf>, Documentation <http://www.latex-project.org/guides/>, especially "The (Not So) Short Introduction to LaTeX2e" <http://ctan.tug.org/tex-archive/info/lshort/english/lshort.pdf>. Symbols <ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/TeX/CTAN/info/symbols/comprehensive/symbols-a4.pdf>, Mathematical documentation <ftp://ftp.ams.org/ams/doc/amsmath/amslldoc.pdf>.

- `leqno` – Numbers of formulas on the left.
- `titlepage`, `notitlepage`
- `onecolumn`, `twocolumn`
- `twoside`, `oneside`
- `landscape`
- `openright`, `openany`
- `draft`

*class* can be one of set: `article`, `IEEEtran`, `proc`, `minimal`, `report`, `book`, `slides`, `memoir`, `letter`, `beamer`. The last one is an modern way of doing slides.

### 3. List of obvious commands.

The following list command is expected to be known to reader: `begin`, `end`, `title`, `author`, `date`, `maketitle`, `usepackage`, `part`, `chapter`, `section`, `section*`, `subsection`, `subsubsection`, `paragraph`, `subparagraph`, `abstract`, `tableofcontents`, `appendix`, `itemize`, `enumerate`, `tabular`.

For font modifiers: `textnormal`, `emph`, `textrm`, `textsf`, `texttt`, `textup`, `textit`, `textsl`, `textsc`, `uppercase`, `textbf`, `textmd`.

For text sizes `tiny`, `scriptsize`, `footnotesize`, `small`, `normalsize`, `large`, `Large`, `LARGE`, `huge`, `Huge`.

### 4. Description.

Description is similar to `itemize` and `enumerate` list, except that the points are defined by a user.

<code>\begin{description}</code>	<b>One</b> The first statement
<code>\item [One] The first statement</code>	
<code>\item [Two] The second</code>	<b>Two</b> The second
<code>\begin{enumerate}</code>	
<code>\item one</code>	(a) one
<code>\item two</code>	(b) two
<code>\end{enumerate}</code>	
<code>\item [Others] \hfill \text{Other}...</code>	<b>Others</b>
<code>\end{description}</code>	Other

### 5. Quotes

When using quotes a common mistake is to use double quote sign "`\textquotedbl`", which is incorrect for scientific articles. Use ``` for opening double quote and `'` for closing, e.g. ``hello'` corresponds to “hello”. The same is for single quotes ``hello'` will be compiled as ‘hello’.

### 6. Tables

### 7. Newcommand.

Often it is required to use an environments more complex or simple but combined a lot. For this purpose it is beneficial to use own defined command. It can easily be done using `newcommand` operation. In this and other crash tutorials we were using following:

```
\newcommand{\cmd}[1]{\texttt{\bfseries{#1}}}
\newcommand{\cmit}[1]{\textit{\bfseries{#1}}}
\newcommand{\prgm}[1]{\texttt{#1}}
```

Where `\cmd` was used for strong bold text, compare `\cmd{"/usr/bin"}` command produces `"/usr/bin"` and `"\textbf{"/usr/bin}"` produces `/usr/bin`. In a latter case the slash sign is not what it supposed to be, it is text separator.

Another useful commands are

```
\newcommand{\el}{\mathcal{L}}
\newcommand{\todo}[1]{\textcolor{blue}{TODO: #1}} # \usepackage{x11names, rgb}{xcolor} is needed
\newcommand{\fixme}[1]{\textcolor{red}{FIXME: #1}}
```

Now `\el` is for a mathematical symbol in math brackets  $\mathcal{L}$ , and showing what should be todo: **TODO: change this text**, or even **FIXME: fix it**.

## 8. Verbatim, comment and url.

Sometimes it is useful to add a text which is not formatted by latex. For this purpose use verbatim environment.

- To process text as it is use environment `verbatim`. It will simply output anything from inside to output file.

<code>\begin{verbatim}</code>	
<code>This is \textbf{bold} text</code>	<code>This is \textbf{bold} text</code>
<code>and math \(\epsilon\).</code>	<code>and math \(\epsilon\).</code>
<code>\end{verbatim}</code>	

- In order to be able to format text inside of `verbatim` use `alltt` (needed also `\usepackage{alltt}`).

<code>\begin{alltt}</code>	
<code>This is \textbf{bold} text</code>	<code>This is bold text</code>
<code>and math \(\epsilon\).</code>	<code>and math <math>\epsilon</math>.</code>
<code>\end{alltt}</code>	

- There is a possibility to use a shortened version of `verbatim` environment:

`\verb+\textbf+` Notice that the separator sign can be anything, in the example above it is `+` sign.

- The verbatim environment also has comment which can be used to comment out set of lines:

<code>\begin{comment}</code>	
<code>This is \textbf{bold} text</code>	
<code>and math \(\epsilon\).</code>	<code>*empty here*</code>
<code>\end{comment}</code>	

Anyone may can create own comment command simply defining new command as `\newcommand{\comment}[1]{}`

- **Urls.**

Define in the beginning a package `url` in order to wrap around urls. E.g. `\usepackage{url}` and in the body of document `\url{http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/}` to produce `http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/`.

However, it will simplify formatting of urls only, in order to add "clickable" url in the end document include also package `hyperref`: `\usepackage{hyperref}`. As an alternative to `url` can be `href` which hides actual rule. For example above: `\href{http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/}{Latex wiki}` produces Latex wiki.

## 9. Math environment.

One aspect here which sometimes omitted is bracket matching in Math environment. Any bracket pairs `( ) { } [ ] | |` should correspond to each other explicitly.

For example, `$(\int_a^b (f(x)\cdot g(x)) dx)$` produces such math equation  $(\int_a^b (f(x) \cdot g(x)) dx)$ , where all brackets are of the same size.

Compare it to `$(\left(\int_a^b \left(f(x)\cdot g(x)\right) dx\right)$` which produces  $(\int_a^b (f(x) \cdot g(x)) dx)$ .

Cases environment allows to create constructions of the forms:

```
\[
u(x) =
\begin{cases}
\exp{x} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\
1 & \text{if } x < 0
\end{cases}
\]
```

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} \exp x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Never use `eqnarray` instead use `align`, see for example

```

equation:
\begin{equation*}
z_0 = d = 0
\end{equation*}
\begin{equation*}
z_{n+1} = z_n^2 + c
\end{equation*}
align:
\begin{align*}
z_0 \&= d = 0 \\\
z_{n+1} \&= z_n^2 + c
\end{align*}
eqnarray:
\begin{eqnarray*}
z_0 \&\& d = 0 \\\
z_{n+1} \&\& z_n^2 + c
\end{eqnarray*}

```

equation:

$$z_0 = d = 0$$

$$z_{n+1} = z_n^2 + c$$

align:

$$z_0 = d = 0$$

$$z_{n+1} = z_n^2 + c$$

eqnarray:

$$z_0 = d = 0$$

$$z_{n+1} = z_n^2 + c$$

## 10. Algorithms

```

\begin{algorithmic}
\REQUIRE $\n \ge 0 \vee x \neq 0$
\ENSURE $\y = x^n$
\STATE $\y \leftarrow 1$
\IF{$\n < 0$}
\STATE $\X \leftarrow 1 / x$
\STATE $\N \leftarrow -n$
\ELSE
\STATE $\X \leftarrow x$
\STATE $\N \leftarrow n$
\ENDIF
\WHILE{$\N \neq 0$}
\IF{$\N$ is even}
\STATE $\X \leftarrow X \times X$
\STATE $\N \leftarrow N / 2$
\ELSE[$\N$ is odd]
\STATE $\y \leftarrow y \times X$
\STATE $\N \leftarrow N - 1$
\ENDIF
\ENDWHILE
\end{algorithmic}

```

**Require:**  $n \geq 0 \vee x \neq 0$

**Ensure:**  $y = x^n$

```

 $y \leftarrow 1$ 
if  $n < 0$  then
   $X \leftarrow 1/x$ 
   $N \leftarrow -n$ 
else
   $X \leftarrow x$ 
   $N \leftarrow n$ 
end if
while  $N \neq 0$  do
  if  $N$  is even then
     $X \leftarrow X \times X$ 
     $N \leftarrow N/2$ 
  else  $\{N$  is odd $\}$ 
     $y \leftarrow y \times X$ 
     $N \leftarrow N - 1$ 
  end if
end while

```

## 11. Page margins.

Page placement is defined by the following values:

```
\oddsidemargin = 31pt
```

```

\topmargin = 20pt
\headheight = 12pt
\headsep = 25pt
\textheight = 592pt
\textwidth = 390pt
\marginparsep = 10pt
\marginparwidth = 35pt
\footskip = 30pt
\marginparpush = 7pt
\hoffset = 0pt
\voffset = 0pt
\paperwidth = 597pt
\paperheight = 845pt

```

Each command may be edited as `\setlength{\textwidth}{300pt}` or using `geometry` package.

```
\usepackage[top=tlength, bottom=blength, left=llength, right=rlength]{geometry}
```

For example:

```
\usepackage[margin=1in, paperwidth=5.5in, paperheight=8.5in]{geometry}
```

Pages are filled automatically by latex compiler, however user may control line breaks, vertical spaces, horizontal spaces and page breaks.

<code>\\</code>	Breaks line at the point.
<code>\\[10pt]</code>	Breaks line at the point and add vertical skip 10pt.
<code>\newpage</code>	Breaks page at the point, and add the next text on the next page.
<code>\vspace{30pt}</code>	If possible adds vertical space of 30pt length.
<code>\vspace*{30pt}</code>	Strictly adds vertical space of 30pt length .
<code>\hspace{1in}</code>	If possible adds horizontal space of 1 inch length.
<code>\hspace*{1in}</code>	Strictly adds horizontal space of 1 inch length.
<code>\clearpage</code>	Stops current page, flushing everything onto it.
<code>\quad</code>	Horizontal tab (11pt).
<code>\qquad</code>	Horizontal double tab.
<code>\!</code>	Negative horizontal space.
<code>~</code>	Make sure that space between words is not separated by line break. E.g. <code>author~\cite{book1}</code>

## 12. Graphics.

Latex compiler has two graphic versions. The first one is for PS file processing with command **latex** (and DVI); it accepts one format (EPS files). The second one is PDF file which is produced using **pdflatex** and it accepts different set of formats (JPG, PNG, PDF).

There are a various set of converters from one format to another: **epstopdf**, **ps2pdf**, **fig2dev**, **fig2ps**, **fig2eps**, ....

The main command which includes graphics is `\includegraphics[set of attributes]{graphical_file}`. There is no need to put file extension in `graphical_file`, during compilation of DVI/PS files with extension eps/ps will be searched and during compilation using **pdflatex** files with extensions pdf/jpg/png. The use of extension is needed only when you want to remove ambiguity (i.e., there is file with both pdf and png extensions).

The set of options is as following:

<code>width</code>	Defines width of the image.
<code>height</code>	Defines height of the image.
<code>keepaspectratio</code>	Should the image keep the ratio during scaling (including when width and height does not correspond to the ratio)?
<code>scale</code>	Defines the retio of scaling.
<code>angle</code>	Defines the angle to rotate image.
<code>trim</code>	Defines the sizes of borders in order to trim image accordingly.
<code>clip</code>	Should be true for trim option to use.
<code>page</code>	Define page explicitly from multipage pdf files.

Whenever graphic files are not in current directory, the directory to take as an input may be defined using `\graphicspath` parameter, e.g., `\graphicspath{{./images/}}`.

To accompany images with caption, as well as produce additional manipulations figure environment may be used:

```

\begin{figure}[ht]
\centering
\includegraphics[width=0.8\textwidth]{graph}
\caption{Caption for the graph: here we see an image}
\label{fig:graph}
\end{figure}

```

Label should go after caption and later in the text be referenced by `\ref{fig:graph}` command.

As a substitute for figure image **wrapfig** may be used (first `\usepackage{wrapfig}`, then `\begin{wrapfigure}[lineheight]{align}` whenever the text should go around an image (or for side capture use package **sidecap** and environment **SCfigure**).

### 13. subfig environment.

In research articles a lot is needed to put a set of figures on the same line, to help with it **subfig** environment may help a lot.

```

\begin{figure}
\centering
\subfloat[Plot A]{\label{fig:pa}\includegraphics[width=0.3\textwidth]{graph1}}
\subfloat[Plot B]{\label{fig:pb}\includegraphics[width=0.3\textwidth]{graph2}}
\subfloat[Plot C]{\label{fig:pc}\includegraphics[width=0.3\textwidth]{graph3}}
\caption{Pictures of animals}
\label{fig:animals}
\end{figure}

```

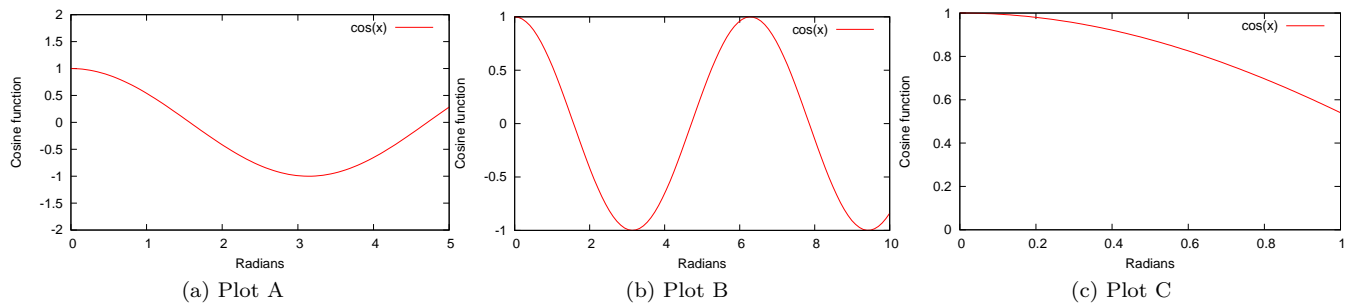


Figure 1: Pictures of animals

Notice that for convenience it is good to put in `\label` specifier for the type of label, e.g., for figures it is **fig:**, for tables it is **tbl:**, for sections it is **sec:** and for equations it is **eq:**.

### 14. picture environment.

Picture environment provides one of the simplest ways to draw. It uses commands **put**, **line**, **vector**, **circle**, **oval**, .... Everything

```

\begin{picture}(100,15)
\put(0,8){\vector(1,0){93}}
\put(26,7){\line(0,1){2}}
\put(57,7){\line(0,1){2}}
\put(56,-2){\textbf{$b_i$}}
\put(25,-2){\textbf{$a_i$}}

\put(85,4){\line(0,1){8}}
\put(84,-5){\textbf{$0$}}

\put(100,0){\textbf{$L_{ii}(t)$}}
\put(95,15){\textbf{$c_i - r_i$}}

\put(10,7){\line(0,1){2}}
\put(9,-2){\textbf{$1$}}

\put(5,15){\textbf{$1$}}
\put(18,15){\textbf{$0$}}
\put(40,15){\textbf{$-d_i$}}
\put(70,15){\textbf{$-1$}}
\end{picture}

```

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 1 & 0 & -d_i & -1 & c_i - r_i \\
 | & | & | & | & | \\
 l & a_i & b_i & 0 & L_{ii}(t)
 \end{array}$$

**gnuplot** may produce picture environment directly.

As an alternative for **picture** environment may be **xy** package (use `\usepackage[all]{xy}` to add it). It may produce such things as

```

\begin{displaymath}
\text{\xymatrix{\bullet \ar[r] \bullet}}
\end{displaymath}
\begin{displaymath}
\text{\xymatrix{A \ar[r] f \ar[d] g \ar[d] g' \ar[r] B \\ D \ar[r] f' \ar[r] C}}
\end{displaymath}

```

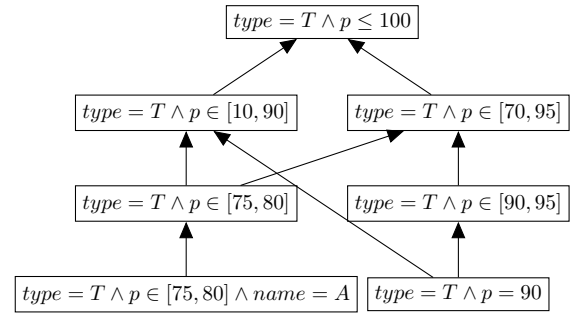
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \bullet & \longrightarrow & \bullet \\
 A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 \downarrow g & & \downarrow g' \\
 D & \xrightarrow{f'} & C
 \end{array}$$

## 15. TikZ/PGF.

To use it `tikz` package is required (`\usepackage{tikz}`). However, it is not enough, it requires to define set of sub-libraries needed. Those includes but not limited to **tree**, **automata**, **shapes**, **arrows**, **background**, **...**<sup>2</sup> For the following example we use `\usetikzlibrary{arrows,shapes,decorations.pathmorphing,backgrounds,fit}` just after `usepackage` declaration of `tikz`.

```
\begin{tikzpicture}[scale=1.2]
  \node (root) at (0,0) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \leq 100$};
  \node (l1n1) at (-1.5,-1) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \in [10,90]$};
  \node (l1n2) at (1.5,-1) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \in [70,95]$};
  \node (l2n1) at (-1.5,-2) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \in [75,80]$};
  \node (l2n2) at (1.5,-2) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \in [90,95]$};
  \node (l3n1) at (-1.5,-3) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p \in [75,80] \wedge name = A$};
  \node (l3n2) at (1.5,-3) [rectangle,draw,scale=0.8] {$type = T \wedge p = 90$};

  \begin{scope}[>=triangle 45]
    \draw [->] (l1n1) -- (root);
    \draw [->] (l1n2) -- (root);
    \draw [->] (l2n1) -- (l1n1);
    \draw [->] (l2n1) -- (l1n2);
    \draw [->] (l2n2) -- (l1n1);
    \draw [->] (l2n2) -- (l1n2);
    \draw [->] (l3n1) -- (l2n1);
    \draw [->] (l3n2) -- (l2n2);
    \draw [->] (l3n2) -- (l1n1);
  \end{scope}
\end{tikzpicture}
```



**TikZ/PGF** is one additional useful package may be worth to use.

<sup>2</sup>A comprehensive list of available options can be found in [mirror.ctan.org/graphics/pgf/base/doc/generic/pgf/pgfmanual.pdf](http://mirror.ctan.org/graphics/pgf/base/doc/generic/pgf/pgfmanual.pdf).

## 16. Beamer

To produce a presentation it is enough to add `\documentclass{beamer}` in the top of the document. After that a presentation will be produced as output (primary using pdf<sub>l</sub>atex).

The structure of the document is

```
\begin{document}
  \begin{frame}
    \frametitle{This is the first slide}
    %Content goes here
  \end{frame}
  \begin{frame}
    \frametitle{This is the second slide}
    \framesubtitle{A bit more information about this}
    %More content goes here
  \end{frame}
\end{document}
```

There is also **title**, **subtitle**, **author**, **date**, **subject** may be specified. Inside of each frame standard latex commands may be used, with little exception.

To produce pauses during output use `\pause` command. Then everytime it will be stopped and additional mouse click is required to get to continue.

Beamer allows also to define an order of the text

```
\begin{itemize}
  \item This one is always shown
  \item<1-> The first time
  \item<2-> The second time
  \item<1-> Also the first time
  \only<1-> This one is shown at the first time, but it will hide soon.
\end{itemize}
```

To produce multiple columns use `columns` environment, e.g.,

```
\begin{frame}
  \begin{columns}[c] % the "c" option specifies center vertical alignment
    \column{.5\textwidth} % column designated by a command
    Contents of the first column
  \column{.5\textwidth}
    Contents split \\ into two lines
  \end{columns}
\end{frame}
```

and blocks are available through

```
\begin{frame}
  \begin{block}{This is a Block}
    This is important information
  \end{block}

  \begin{alertblock}{This is an Alert block}
    This is an important alert
  \end{alertblock}

  \begin{exampleblock}{This is an Example block}
    This is an example
  \end{exampleblock}
\end{frame}
```



The main point here is that Aalto provides own templates (which are still partly in preparations but available throughout a request). Available in Aalto Inside <https://wiki.aalto.fi/display/aaltolatex/Aalto+University+Beamer+themes>.

The raw a little bit, and should be ready before the end of the year. I use the older version of the aalto beamers class (which available for you at <http://users.tkk.fi/u/laser/crash/aalto.tgz>). As soon as newer aalto slides will be available I will update this part.

The beamer presentation example (Lecture 1 of this course) is available by address [http://users.tkk.fi/u/laser/crash/crash\\_lecture\\_1.tex](http://users.tkk.fi/u/laser/crash/crash_lecture_1.tex).