

# L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## Guidelines

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Definition

- Pronounced as 'lay-tech' or 'lah-tech'
- Document preparation system for high-quality typesetting
- Used for publishing articles, thesis reports, books, scientific documents, etc.

## 1.2 Why?

- Consistent layout, fonts, tables, etc.
- Mathematical formulae can be easily typeset
- References, footnotes can be easily generated

## 1.3 Word vs. L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

- With a word processor, you spend valuable time agonizing over what font size to make the section headings.
- With L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, you just tell it to start a new section..
- With a word processor, changing the formatting means you have to change each instance individually.
- With L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, you just redefine the relevant commands..
- With a word processor, you have to carefully match any provided templates.
- With L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, you can be sure you've fit the template, and switch templates easily.

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X is like MS Word, Only better!

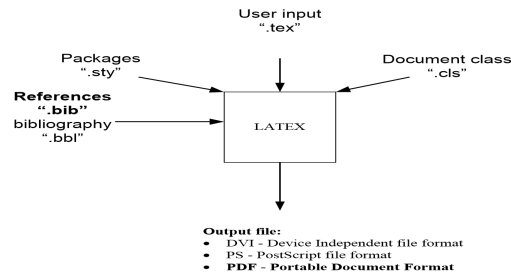


Figure 1.1: How L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X works

## 1.4 Setting-up in overleaf

- Go to [overleaf.com](https://overleaf.com) and [Sign up](#) or [Register](#) for new account.
- Click on [New Project](#) icon then on [blank Project](#).
- There exist at least one file named [main.tex](#)

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X input file have a name that ends with [“.tex”](#) extension.

## 1.5 Document Structure

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

Preamble

```
\begin{document}
```

Body or document text

```
\end{document}
```

### 1.5.1 Document Class

```
\documentclass[option]{class_name}
```

Class\_name

- It is the type of document we intended to create. It may be an [article](#), [report](#), [book](#), [letter](#), [beamer](#).
- It is a mandatory parameter "enclosed by {}"

. Options

- A document can be modified by [options](#) & Multiple [options](#) are separated by [commas](#).
- Some common [options](#) are:
  - font size "10pt 'default', 11pt, 12pt"
  - column-size "single column 'default', two columns 'needed in article class'"

## 1.5.2 Preamble

Preamble includes:

- The commands that will influence the style of your entire document
- macro definitions that we will use later, it loads packages that add new features to L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

Text is not allowed in the preamble.

## 1.6 Body or Document text

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

It uses the **report class**.  
Nothing in the preamble is "perfectly acceptable"

```

1 \documentclass[12pt]{report}
2 % \begin{document}
3 It uses the \textbf{report class}.\
4 Nothing in the preamble is "perfectly acceptable"
5 % \end{document}

```

## 1.7 Packages

Syntax:

`\usepackage[options]{packageName}`

. Examples:

`\usepackage[margin=1in]{geometry} \usepackage[left=1.0in,right=1.0in,top=.8in,bottom=.8in]{ge`

- This geometry package helps to change the layout, such as the document's paper size, orientation, margins, etc.

. `\usepackage{graphicx}`

- The graphicx command above instructs LaTeX to read the file graphicx.sty which is used to include images and figures in the document.

. `\usepackage{amsmath}`

- The amsmath command is used to typesetting mathematics in the document.

## 1.8 Things to Remember in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

- All the latex commands start with a backslash “\”.
- Some commands consist of the backslash followed by exactly one non-letter, they are often used to put a special symbol in the text.
- E.g.: “\\$, “\%” prints “\$” and “%”, which cannot be entered directly because L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X uses it to begin math mode and comments respectively. i.e. Symbol “%” can be used to put a comment in your input file. When L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X sees a “%”, it ignores the rest of the line.
- L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X ignores multiple blank spaces and multiple blank lines.

- Mandatory commands are enclosed in braces{} & Optional arguments are enclosed in square brackets []
- Units of Measurement (basics): Centimeter: `cm` Millimeter: `mm` Inch: `in`
- L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X commands are case-sensitive and most are in lowercase.
- **`\tableofcontents`**  
This command is used to Generate a Table of Contents
- **`\listoffigures`**  
This command is used to Generate a list of figures
- **`\listoftables`**  
This command is used to Generate a list of tables
- **`\linespread`**  
It is placed in the preamble for spacing in a document. `\linespread{1.6}` will produce a document with double spacing. The default is “single spacing” and for “line and a half” use `\linespread{1.3}`.
- `\pagenumbering{roman}` → Put before the text begins & `\pagenumbering{arabic}` → Put after the first `\chapter` command
- “`\`” will produces a new line
- `\newpage` will start a new page & `\newline` will start a new line immediately.
- `\hspace` and `\vspace` leave horizontal and vertical space in your text.
- **Example:** `\vspace{3in}` → It will leave 3 inches of blank space vertically.

## 1.9 Section Headings

- `\chapter`  
Chapter command is not available in the article class.
- `\section[only Appears in TOC]{Only appears in body of report}`
- `\section*{}`
  - Section headings will not be numbered (Ok) and will not show up in the TOC (Not Ok)
  - To add the section name in the TOC we use the following command  
`\addcontentsline{toc}{chapter{\numberline{}}Chapter_Name}`
- `\section`
- `\subsection`
- `\subsubsection`

## 1.10 Size syntax

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command



```

1 \tiny Text \footnotesize Text \small Text\\
2 \large Text \Large Text \LARGE Text\\
3 \huge Text \Huge Text

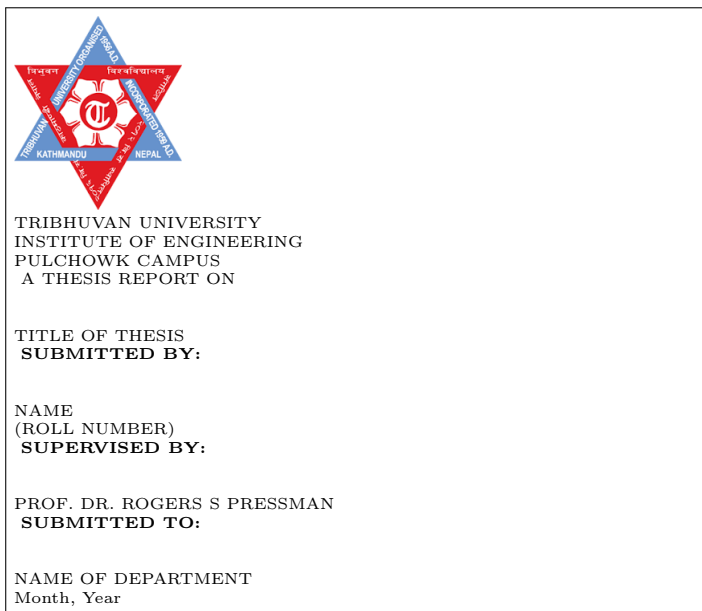
```

## 1.11 Cover page

□

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command



```

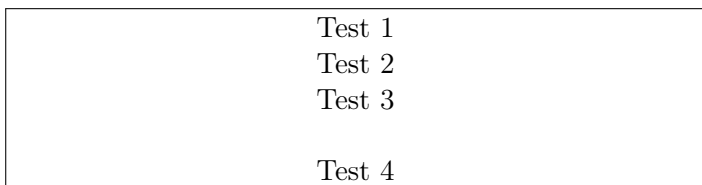
1 \title{
2 {\includegraphics[scale=.3]{logo.png}}\\
3 \uppercase\tiny{%use \large instead of \tiny
4   {Tribhuvan University}}\\
5   {Institute of Engineering}\\
6   {Pulchowk Campus}}\\
7   \vspace{.5cm}
8   {A Thesis Report On\\Title of Thesis}\\
9   \vspace{.5cm}
10  {\textbf{Submitted By:}}\\Name\\(Roll Number)}\\
11  \vspace{.5cm}
12  {\textbf{Supervised By:}}\\ Prof. Dr. Rogers s Pressman
13  \vspace{.5cm}
14  {\textbf{Submitted To:}}\\ Name of Department}\\
15  }
16  }
17 \date{Month, Year} %\{Month Year}
18 %\begin{document}
19 \maketitle
20 %\end{document}

```

## 1.12 Centering Text

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command



```

1 \begin{center}
2   Test 1\\
3   Test 2\\
4   Test 3
5 \end{center}
6 \Centering{Test 4}

```

## 1.13 List & Descriptions

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

<pre> 1. TU     • IOE       PC it is in Lalitpur       WRC It is in Pokhara       ERC it is in Dharan       ThC it is in KTM     • IOM 2. PU </pre>	<p style="text-align: right;">corresponding output command</p>
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```

1 \begin{enumerate}
2   \item TU
3   \begin{itemize}
4     \item IOE
5       \begin{description}
6         \item[PC] it is in Lalitpur
7         \item[WRC] It is in Pokhara
8         \item[ERC] it is in Dharan
9         \item[ThC] it is in KTM
10      \end{description}
11     \item IOM
12   \end{itemize}
13   \item PU
14 \end{enumerate}
15 \begin{center}
16 {\textcolor{blue}{corresponding output}}\hspace{100pt}
17 \end{center}

```

**1.14 Tables:** Put **caption** package in preamble & goto <https://www.tablesgenerator.com/> to draw more tables & for complex excel and word tables, you can convert the tables into pdf files and use the **pdfpages** package to load the pdf into your report

Table style 1

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

<b>Table 0: Table style 1</b>		
<b>Roll</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
101	Suresh Pokheral	Gorkha
102	Sushil Ale	Lamjung

```

1 \begin{table}[htb]
2 \centering
3 \caption{\textbf{Table style 1}}
4 \vspace{8pt} %puts 8pt vertical space
5 \begin{tabular}{clr} %3 columns
6 % c=centered, l= leftJustified , r= rightJustified
7 \hline %insert horizontal line
8 \textbf{Roll} & \textbf{Name} & \textbf{Address} \\
9 \hline
10 101 & Suresh Pokheral & Gorkha \\
11 102 & Sushil Ale & Lamjung \\
12 \hline
13 \end{tabular}
14 \end{table}

```

Table style 2

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

Table 0: **Table style 2**

Roll	Name	Address
101	Suresh Pokheral	Gorkha
102	Sushil Ale	Lamjung

```

1 \begin{table}[htb]
2 \centering
3 \caption{\textbf{Table style 2}}
4 \vspace{8pt} %puts 8pt vertical space
5 \begin{tabular}{|c|l|r|} %3 columns
6 % c=centered, l= leftJustified , r= rightJustified
7 \hline %insert horizontal line
8 \textbf{Roll} & \textbf{Name} & \textbf{Address} \\
9 \hline
10 101 & Suresh Pokheral & Gorkha \\
11 102 & Sushil Ale & Lamjung \\
12 \hline
13 \end{tabular}
14 \end{table}

```

### 1.14.1 Sub-plot in Table: Use **caption** & **subcaption** package in preamble

corresponding output

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

Table 0: Example of the sub-plot of Tables

<p>(a) First Week</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Day</th> <th>Temp</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mon</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tue</td> <td>22</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Day	Temp	Mon	20	Tue	22	<p>(b) Second Week</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Day</th> <th>Temp</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mon</td> <td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tue</td> <td>16</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Day	Temp	Mon	17	Tue	16
Day	Temp												
Mon	20												
Tue	22												
Day	Temp												
Mon	17												
Tue	16												

```

1 \begin{table}[htb]
2 \caption{Example of the sub-plot of Tables}
3 \begin{subtable}[h]{0.45\textwidth}
4 \centering
5 \caption{First Week}
6 \begin{tabular}{|l|}
7 Day & Temp \\
8 \hline \hline
9 Mon & 20 \\
10 Tue & 22
11 \end{tabular}
12 \end{subtable}
13 \hfill
14 \begin{subtable}[h]{0.45\textwidth}
15 \centering
16 \caption{Second Week}
17 \begin{tabular}{|l|}
18 Day & Temp \\
19 \hline \hline
20 Mon & 17 \\
21 Tue & 16
22 \end{tabular}
23 \end{subtable}
24 \end{table}

```

## 1.15 Figures:

- At first, we put the command in the preamble as: `\usepackage{graphicx}`
- Then we create the image folder using `\graphicspath{{Folder_name/}}` or `\graphicspath{./Folder_name/}` command, which stores all the image files.
- **Syntax:** `\includegraphics[optional]{file_name}`



Figure: Example 1

corresponding output

LaTeX command



```
1 \centering\includegraphics[scale=.2]{logo.png}
```

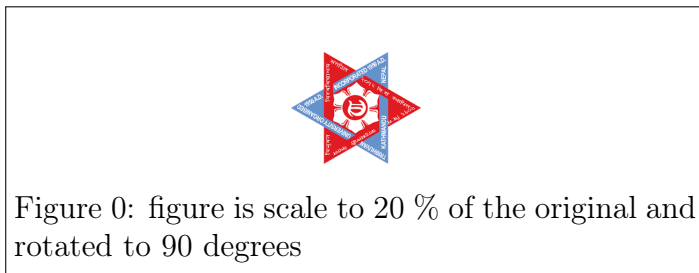
Optional parameters other than **scale** are as follow:

- **angle=angleValue**: Rotates figure to specified degree counter-clockwise.
- **width=\textwidth**: Scale graphic to the specified width i.e. text-width
- **height=6in**: Scale graphic to the specified height
- **scale=2**: It makes the graphic twice as large as the original

Figure: Example 2

corresponding output

LaTeX command



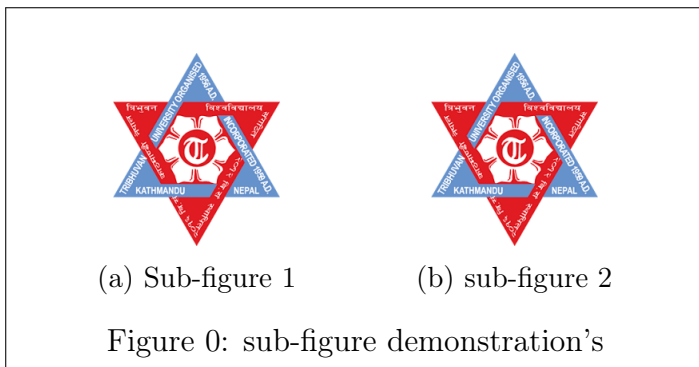
```
1 \begin{figure}
2   \centering
3   \includegraphics[angle=90,scale=.2]{logo.png}
4   \caption{figure is scale to 20 \% of the original
5     and rotated to 90 degrees}
6   \label{fig_label}
7 \end{figure}
```

### 1.15.1 Sub-Figures

Figure: Example 3

corresponding output

LaTeX command



```
1 \begin{figure}[htb]
2   \centering
3   \begin{subfigure}{0.45\textwidth}
4     \centering
5     \includegraphics[height=1in]{logo.png}
6     \caption{Sub-figure 1}
7   \end{subfigure}
8   \begin{subfigure}{0.45\textwidth}
9     \centering
10    \includegraphics[height=1in]{logo.png}
11    \caption{sub-figure 2}
12  \end{subfigure}
13  \caption{sub-figure demonstration's}
14 \end{figure}
```

### 1.15.2 Landscape Plot: include **rotating** package in preamble

```
\begin{sidewaysfigure}
\centering
\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{fileName}
\caption{Caption in the landscape to a figure in landscape.}
\end{sidewaysfigure}
```

Output



Figure 1.4: Caption in the landscape to the figure in the landscape

## 1.16 Typesetting Mathematics

- At first, we put the command in the preamble as: `\usepackage{amsmath}`
- Math environment can be invoked in one of three ways:
  - `$.....$`
  - `\(.....\)`
  - `\begin{math}.....\end{math}`

### 1.16.1 Some math formulas

$x^2$	<code>\$x^2\$</code>	$\sqrt{x}$	<code>sqrt{x}</code>
$x_2$	<code>\$x_2\$</code>	$\sqrt[n+3]{}$	<code>sqrt[6]{n+3}</code>
$x^{n+2}$	<code>\$x^{n+2}\$</code>	$\frac{x^2}{y}$	<code>frac{x^2}{y}</code>
$x_{n+2}$	<code>\$x_{n+2}\$</code>	$\int_0^t x dx$	<code>int^t_0 x dx</code>
$x_{n+2}^{n+2}$	<code>\$x_{n+2}^{n+2}\$</code>	$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0}$	<code>lim_{x \rightarrow x_0}</code>
$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n$	<code>\$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n\$</code>	$\int x dx$	<code>int x dx</code>

### 1.16.2 Equation Environment: for numbered equations

This environment is used for numbered equation

**Example:**

The derivative of the function $f(x)$ at the point $x_0$ is	1 The derivative of the function $f(x)$
$f'(x_0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \quad (1.1)$	2 at the point $x_0$ is
	3 <code>\begin{equation}</code>
	4 <code>f'(x_0) =</code>
	5 <code>\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0}</code>
	6 <code>\frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}</code>
	7 <code>\end{equation}</code>

### 1.16.3 Eqnarray Environment: for multi-line equations

This environment is used for multiple-column numbered equations. Include the command `\nonumber` on any line to suppress the equation number.

corresponding output	Example	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X command
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$(a + b)(a + b) = a^2 + ab + ba + b^2$ $= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \quad (1.2)$
$(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - ab + ba - b^2$ $= a^2 - b^2 \quad (1.3)$
$(a + b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 \quad (1.4)$

```

1 \begin{eqnarray}
2 (a + b)(a + b) & = & a^2 + ab + ba + b^2
3 \nonumber \\
4 & = & a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \\
5 (a + b)(a - b) & = & a^2 - ab + ba - b^2
6 \nonumber \\
7 & = & a^2 - b^2 \\
8 (a + b)^3 & = & a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3
9 \end{eqnarray}

```

### 1.16.4 Array Environment:for matrix

corresponding output
Example
L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X command

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.5)$
--

```

1 \begin{equation}
2 A = \left[
3 \begin{array}{cccc}
4 a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\
5 a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\
6 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
7 a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n}
8 \end{array}
9 \right]
10 \end{equation}

```

## 1.17 Referencing

- First include the command `\usepackage{natbib}` in preamble for referencing.
- Then, we create a file whose name ends with the extension `.bib` i.e. `'fileName.bib'` that holds all the sources for referencing.
- Then, place all the references\entries in the file: `'fileName.bib'`
- The entries in your `'bib file'` are called in your L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X file with `\cite` commands as: `\cite{sourceName}`
- After that, in your L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X file, you provide just two more pieces of information:
  - A `\bibliographystyle{styleName}` command to specify the formatting style of the citations.
  - The `\bibliography{fileName}` at the point you want the bibliography printed.

### Example

```
\renewcommand{\bibname}{References}
```

It will change the default title 'Bibliography' to 'References'

```
\bibliography{unsrt}
```

we use 'unsrt' in place of 'plain' for entries to appear in the order in which they were cited in the whole document.

```
\bibliography{ref}
```

It will provide the name of the .bib file i.e. 'fileName' that holds all the sources for referencing.

## 1.18 Manuscript: Basics

- Use `\documentclass[twocolumn]{article}`.
- Default `\options` for `article`: letter-paper,10pt,one side,one-column
- Default `\options` for `report`: letter-paper,10pt,one side,one-column
- `\chapter{}` command is not supported in `article` class, so start from `\section{}` command.
- Almost all commands are the same as in the `report` class.
- try `\toprule`, `\midrule` and `\bottomrule` commands in Table, which are improved versions of `\hrline`
- Use `\begin{columns} ... \end{columns}` environment for side by side plot.
- try command like `\unskip`, `\nobreak`, `\indent`, `\noindent` & more.
- for Header and Footer: follow this link: [https://www.overleaf.com/learn/latex/Headers\\_and\\_footers](https://www.overleaf.com/learn/latex/Headers_and_footers)

## 1.19 How modify any L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X templates in overleaf

- Go to [New Project](#) icon then, click on [Upload Project](#) and select a L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X template with `.zip` extension..
- Now, modify the template as per your requirement.

## 1.20 L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X in offline mode

- Download [TeXLive](#) and [Texmaker](#) separately.
- Installation instructions:
  - Install [texlive](#): run as admin
  - Install [texmaker](#)
  - Ready to Go!