Introduction to LaTeX

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 http://jabref.sourceforge.net

Useful links

- Latex Project http://www.latex-project.org
- Comprehensive TeX Archive Network (CTAN) http://www.ctan.org
- TeX Users Group (TUG) http://www.tug.org
- Not so Short Introduction to Latex http://tobi.oetiker.ch/lshort/lshort.pdf

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 - Automatically searches for EPS (graph1.eps) or PNG (graph1.png) image.

```
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\caption{An example of a chart}
\label{fig:chart}
\end{figure}
```

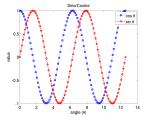


Figure: An example of a chart

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Equations

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\begin{equation}
\label{eq:test1}
\left\{ \, x \biggm| \int_0^x t^2 \, dt \leq 5 \, \right\}
\end{equation}
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$$\left\{ x \mid \int_0^x t^2 dt \le 5 \right\} \tag{1}$$

Matrices

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\begin{equation}
\left( \begin{matrix}
1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\
\end{matrix} \right)
\end{equation}
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(2)

Multiple Equations

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begin{gather}
  x_1 x_2 + x_1^2 x_2^2 + x_3, \\
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$$x_1x_2x_3. (5)$$

Aligned Equations

$$f(x) = x + yz$$
 $g(x) = x + y + z$
 $h(x) = xy + xz + yz$ $k(x) = (x + y)(x + z)(y + z)$ (6)

Greek Letters

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\beta	β			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	١ ^
\gamma	γ	\xi	ξ	\Delta	Δ
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\theta	$\dot{ heta}$	\upsilon	v	\Sigma	Σ
	•	\phi	ϕ	Υ	Υ
\iota	ι	\chi	χ	\Phi	Φ
\kappa	κ	\psi	$\overset{\sim}{\psi}$	\Psi	Ψ
\lambda	λ	. *	,		-
\mu	μ	\omega	ω	\Omega	Ω

Binary Relations and Operators

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\in
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\leq or \leq e
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Arrows and Misc Symbols

\leftarrow	\leftarrow
\rightarrow or \to	\longrightarrow
\leftrightarrow	\longleftrightarrow
\Leftarrow	\Leftarrow
\Rightarrow	\Rightarrow
\Leftrightarrow	\Leftrightarrow
\uparrow	\uparrow
\downarrow	\downarrow
\updownarrow	\uparrow
\iff	\iff
\mapsto	\mapsto

\imath	\imath
$\$ jmath	J
\partial	∂
\nabla	∇
∞	∞
\prime	1
\emptyset	Ø
\forall	\forall
\exists	\exists
\P	\P
\S	8
\dag	†
\ddag	‡

Operators

\sin	sin	$\int_{a}^{a} a^{b}$	\int_a^b	\int_{a}^{b}
\cos \tan	cos tan	$\operatorname{\colored}_{a}^{b}$	\oint_a^b	$ \oint_{a}^{b} b $
\sinh	sinh	\sum_{a}^{b}	\sum_{a}^{b}	$\sum_{b}^{J_a}$
\cosh \tanh	cosh tanh	\sum_{a} {b}	∠a	a b
\exp \ln	exp In	$\prod_{a}^{a}^{b}$	\prod_a^b	\prod
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