LaTeX 2ε Cheat Sheet

Document classes

`book` Default is two-sided.
`report` No `\part` divisions.
`article` No `\part` or `\chapter` divisions.
`letter` Letter (?).
`slides` Large sans-serif font.

Used at the very beginning of a document: `\documentclass{`*class*`}`. Use `\begin{document}` to start contents and `\end{document}` to end the document.

Common `documentclass` options

`10pt/11pt/12pt` Font size.
`letterpaper/a4paper` Paper size.
`twocolumn` Use two columns.
`twoside` Set margins for two-sided.
`landscape` Landscape orientation. Must use `dvips -t landscape`.
`draft` Double-space lines.

Usage: `\documentclass[`*opt,opt*`]{`*class*`}`.

Packages

`fullpage` Use 1 inch margins.
`anysize` Set margins with `\marginsize{`*l*`}{`*r*`}{`*t*`}{`*b*`}`.
`multicol` Use *n* columns with `\begin{multicols}{`*n*`}`.
`latexsym` Use LaTeX symbol font.

Use before `\begin{document}`. Usage: `\usepackage{`*package*`}`

Title

`\author{`*text*`}` Author of document.
`\title{`*text*`}` Title of document.
`\date{`*text*`}` Date.

These commands go before `\begin{document}`. The declaration `\maketitle` goes at the top of the document.

Miscellaneous

`\pagestyle{empty}` Empty header, footer and no page numbers.

Document structure

`\part{`*title*`}`
`\chapter{`*title*`}`
`\section{`*title*`}`
`\subsection{`*title*`}`
`\subsubsection{`*title*`}`
`\paragraph{`*title*`}`
`\subparagraph{`*title*`}`

Section commands can be followed with an `*`, like `\section*{`*title*`}`, to supress heading numbers.
`\setcounter{secnumdepth}{`*x*`}` supresses heading numbers of depth $> x$, where `chapter` has depth 0.

Text environments

`\begin{comment}` Comment block (not printed).
`\begin{quote}` Indented quotation block.
`\begin{quotation}` Like `quote` with indented paragraphs.
`\begin{verse}` Quotation block for verse.

Lists

`\begin{enumerate}` Numbered list.
`\begin{itemize}` Bulletted list.
`\begin{description}` Description list.
`\item` *text* Add an item.
`\item[`*x*`]` *text* Use *x* instead of normal bullet or number. Required for descriptions.

References

`\label{`*marker*`}` Set a marker for cross-reference, often of the form `\label{sec:item}`.
`\ref{`*marker*`}` Give section/body number of marker.
`\pageref{`*marker*`}` Give page number of marker.
`\footnote{`*text*`}` Print footnote at bottom of page.

Floating bodies

`\begin{table}[`*place*`]` Add numbered table.
`\begin{figure}[`*place*`]` Add numbered figure.
`\begin{equation}[`*place*`]` Add numbered equation.
`\caption{`*text*`}` Caption for the body.

The *place* is a list valid placements for the body. `t`=top, `h`=here, `b`=bottom, `p`=separate page, `!`=place even if ugly. Captions and label markers should be within the environment.

Text properties

Font face

Command	*Declaration*	*Effect*
`\textrm{`*text*`}`	`{\rm` *text*`}`	Roman family
`\textsf{`*text*`}`	`{\sf` *text*`}`	Sans serif family
`\texttt{`*text*`}`	`{\tt` *text*`}`	Typewriter family
`\textmd{`*text*`}`	`{\md` *text*`}`	Medium series
`\textbf{`*text*`}`	`{\bf` *text*`}`	**Bold series**
`\textup{`*text*`}`	`{\up` *text*`}`	Upright shape
`\textit{`*text*`}`	`{\it` *text*`}`	*Italic shape*
`\textsl{`*text*`}`	`{\sl` *text*`}`	*Slanted shape*
`\textsc{`*text*`}`	`{\sc` *text*`}`	Small Caps shape
`\emph{`*text*`}`	`{\em` *text*`}`	*Emphasized*
`\textnormal{`*text*`}`	`{\normalfont` *text*`}`	Document font
`\underline{`*text*`}`		Underline

The command (`tttt`) form handles spacing better than the declaration (`ttt`) form.

Font size

`\tiny` tiny
`\scriptsize` scriptsize
`\footnotesize` footnotesize
`\small` small
`\normalsize` normalsize
`\large` large
`\Large` Large
`\LARGE` LARGE
`\huge` huge
`\Huge` Huge

These are declarations and should be used in the form `{\small ...}` or without braces to affect the entire document.

Verbatim text

`\begin{verbatim}` Verbatim environment.
`\begin{verbatim*}` Spaces are shown as ␣.
`\verb!text!` Text between the delimiting characters (in this case `!`) is verbatim.

Justification

Environment	*Declaration*
`\begin{center}`	`\centering`
`\begin{flushleft}`	`\raggedright`
`\begin{flushright}`	`\raggedleft`

Miscellaneous

`\linespread{`*x*`}` changes the line spacing by the multiplier *x*.

Text-mode symbols

Symbols

&	`\&`	_	`\_`	...	`\ldots`	•	`\textbullet`
$	`\$`	^	`\^{}`	|	`\textbar`	\	`\textbackslash`
%	`\%`	~	`\~{}`	#	`\#`	|	`\textbar`

Accents

ò	`\‘o`	ó	`\’o`	ô	`\^o`	õ	`\~o`	ō	`\=o`
ȯ	`\.o`	ö	`\"o`	o͡	`\c o`	ŏ	`\v o`	ő	`\H o`
ç	`\c c`	o̤	`\d o`	o͟	`\b o`	o͡o	`\t oo`	œ	`\oe`
Œ	`\OE`	æ	`\ae`	Æ	`\AE`	å	`\aa`	Å	`\AA`
ø	`\o`	Ø	`\O`	ł	`\l`	Ł	`\L`	ı	`\i`
ȷ	`\j`	¡	`~‘`	¿	`?‘`				

Delimiters

‘ ‘ “ ‘‘ { `\{` [`[` (`(` < `\textless`
’ ’ ” ’’ } `\}`] `]`) `)` > `\textgreater`

Dashes

Name	*Source*	*Example*	*Usage*
hyphen	`-`	X-ray	In words.
en-dash	`--`	1–5	Between numbers.
em-dash	`---`	Yes—or no?	Punctuation.

Line and page breaks

`\\` Begin new line without new paragraph.
`\\*` Prohibit pagebreak after linebreak.
`\kill` Don't print current line.
`\pagebreak` Start new page.
`\noindent` Do not indent current line.

Miscellaneous

`\today` May 11, 2002.
`$\sim$` Prints ∼ instead of `\~{}`, which makes ˜.
`~` Space, disallow linebreak (`W.J.~Clinton`).
`\@.` Indicate that the `.` ends a sentence when following an uppercase letter.
`\hspace{`*l*`}` Horizontal space of length *l* (Ex: $l =$ `20pt`).
`\vspace{`*l*`}` Vertical space of length *l*.
`\rule{`*w*`}{`*h*`}` Line of width *w* and height *h*.

Tabular environments

tabbing environment

`\=` Set tab stop. `\>` Go to tab stop.
Tab stops can be set on "invisible" lines with `\kill` at the end of the line. Normally `\\` is used to separate lines.

tabular environment

`\begin{array}[`*pos*`]{`*cols*`}`
`\begin{tabular}[`*pos*`]{`*cols*`}`
`\begin{tabular*}{`*width*`}[`*pos*`]{`*cols*`}`

tabular column specification

`l`	Left-justified column.
`c`	Centered column.
`r`	Right-justified column.
`p{`*width*`}`	Same as `\parbox[t]{`*width*`}`.
`@{`*decl*`}`	Insert *decl* instead of inter-column space.
`|`	Inserts a vertical line between columns.

tabular elements

`\hline`	Horizontal line between rows.
`\cline{`x`-`y`}`	Horizontal line across columns x through y.
`\multicolumn{`n`}{`*cols*`}{`*text*`}`	A cell that spans n columns, with *cols* column specification.

Math mode

To use math mode, surround text with `$` or use `\begin{equation}`.

`^{x}`	Superscript^x	`_{x}`	Subscript$_x$
`\frac{x}{y}`	$\frac{x}{y}$	`\sum_{k=1}^n`	$\sum_{k=1}^{n}$
`\sqrt[n]{x}`	$\sqrt[n]{x}$		

Math-mode symbols

$\leq$	`\leq`	$\geq$	`\geq`	$\neq$	`\neq`
$\cdot$	`\cdot`	$\times$	`\times`	$\div$	`\div`
$*$	`\ast`	$\circ$	`\circ`	$\cdots$	`\cdots`
α	`\alpha`	β	`\beta`	γ	`\gamma`
δ	`\delta`	ϵ	`\epsilon`	ε	`\varepsilon`
ζ	`\zeta`	η	`\eta`	θ	`\theta`
ϑ	`\vartheta`	ι	`\iota`	κ	`\kappa`
λ	`\lambda`	μ	`\mu`	ν	`\nu`
ξ	`\xi`	π	`\pi`	ρ	`\rho`
σ	`\sigma`	τ	`\tau`	υ	`\upsilon`
ϕ	`\phi`	χ	`\chi`	ψ	`\psi`
ω	`\omega`	Γ	`\Gamma`	Δ	`\Delta`
Θ	`\Theta`	Λ	`\Lambda`	Ξ	`\Xi`
Π	`\Pi`	Σ	`\Sigma`	Υ	`\Upsilon`
Φ	`\Phi`	Ψ	`\Psi`	Ω	`\Omega`

Special symbols

° `^{\circ}` Ex: 22°C: `$22^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$`.

Bibliography and citations

When using BibTeX, you need to run `latex`, `bibtex`, and `latex` twice more to resolve dependencies.

Citation types

`\cite{`*key*`}`	Full author list and year. (Watson and Crick 1953)
`\citeA{`*key*`}`	Full author list. (Watson and Crick)
`\citeN{`*key*`}`	Full author list and year. Watson and Crick (1953)
`\shortcite{`*key*`}`	Abbreviated author list and year. ?
`\shortciteA{`*key*`}`	Abbreviated author list. ?
`\shortciteN{`*key*`}`	Abbreviated author list and year. ?
`\citeyear{`*key*`}`	Cite year only. (1953)

All the above have an `NP` variant without parentheses; Ex. `\citeNP`.

BibTeX entry types

`@article`	Journal or magazine article.
`@book`	Book with publisher.
`@booklet`	Book without publisher.
`@conference`	Article in conference proceedings.
`@inbook`	A part of a book and/or range of pages.
`@incollection`	A part of book with its own title.
`@manual`	Technical documentation.
`@mastersthesis`	Master's thesis.
`@misc`	If nothing else fits.
`@phdthesis`	PhD. thesis.
`@proceedings`	Proceedings of a conference.
`@techreport`	Tech report, usually numbered in series.
`@unpublished`	Unpublished.

BibTeX fields

`address`	Address of publisher. Not necessary for major publishers.
`author`	Names of authors, of format ....
`booktitle`	Title of book when part of it is cited.
`chapter`	Chapter or section number.
`edition`	Edition of a book.
`editor`	Names of editors.
`institution`	Sponsoring institution of tech. report.
`journal`	Journal name.
`key`	Used for cross ref. when no author.
`month`	Month published. Use 3-letter abbreviation.
`note`	Any additional information.
`number`	Number of journal or magazine.
`organization`	Organization that sponsors a conference.
`pages`	Page range (`2,6,9--12`).
`publisher`	Publisher's name.
`school`	Name of school (for thesis).
`series`	Name of series of books.
`title`	Title of work.
`type`	Type of tech. report, ex. "Research Note".
`volume`	Volume of a journal or book.
`year`	Year of publication.

Not all fields need to be filled. See example below.

Common BibTeX style files

`abbrv`	Standard	`abstract`	`alpha` with abstract
`alpha`	Standard	`apa`	APA
`plain`	Standard	`unsrt`	Unsorted

The LaTeX document should have the following two lines just before `\end{document}`, where `bibfile.bib` is the name of the BibTeX file.

```
\bibliographystyle{plain}
\bibliography{bibfile}
```

BibTeX example

The BibTeX database goes in a file called *file*`.bib`, which is processed with `bibtex file`.

```
@String{N = {Na\-ture}}
@Article{WC:1953,
  author  = {James Watson and Francis Crick},
  title   = {A structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid},
  journal = N,
  volume  = {171},
  pages   = {737},
  year    = 1953
}
```

Sample LaTeX document

```
\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\usepackage{fullpage}
\title{Template}
\author{Name}
\begin{document}
\maketitle

\section{section}
\subsection*{subsection without number}
text \textbf{bold text} text. Some math: $2+2=5$
\subsection{subsection}
text \emph{emphasized text} text. \cite{WC:1953}
discovered the structure of DNA.

A table:
\begin{table}[!th]
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|r|}
\hline
first  &  row  &  data \\
second &  row  &  data \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\caption{This is the caption}
\label{ex:table}
\end{table}

The table is numbered \ref{ex:table}.
\end{document}
```