



# Transversal trainings for doctoral students

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# Writing your thesis effectively in LaTeX



## Why LaTeX?

LaTeX is a tool that makes it easy to write structured texts with uniform presentation and complex mathematical formulas

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Pour quelles valeurs du paramètre $m$, l'équation
\[
x^{2}-(m+1)x+2-m=0
\]
a-t-elle deux racines positives différentes?

On sait que
\[
0<x_{1}<x_{2} \Leftrightarrow D>0 \text{ et } P>0 \text{ et } S>0.
\]

Ici, on calcule
\begin{align*}
D s = (m+1)^{2}-4(2-m) \\
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\]
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\begin{align\*}
D & = (m+1)^{2}-4(2-m) \\
& =m^{2}+6m-7 \\

& = (m-1) (m+7), \\
P & =2-m, \\

S & =m+1. \end{align\*} Pour quelles valeurs du paramètre m, l'équation

$$x^2 - (m+1)x + 2 - m = 0$$

a-t-elle deux racines positives différentes?

On sait que

$$0 < x_1 < x_2 \Leftrightarrow D > 0 \text{ et } P > 0 \text{ et } S > 0.$$

Ici, on calcule

$$D = (m+1)^{2} - 4(2-m)$$

$$= m^{2} + 6m - 7$$

$$= (m-1)(m+7),$$

$$P = 2 - m,$$

$$S = m+1.$$



## **Objectives**

### After this course, participants should be able

- to encode usual scientific documents in LaTeX such as
  - articles
  - reports
  - books
  - slide presentations
- to insert into these documents
  - mathematical formulas
  - tables
  - pictures
- to structure the documents by inserting
  - chapters, sections, etc.
  - a table of contents
  - an index



### Basic part (document class = article, AM 3h)

- Basic template
  - explanation of the preamble
- Paragraphs
- First mathematical formulas
- Tables
  - Mathematical tables
  - Text tables
- Enumerations and lists of items
- Pictures
- Document structure
  - Sections, subsections, etc.
  - Table of contents



### Different classes of documents (AM, 1/2h)

- Article class
  - Abstract
  - French version
  - English version
- Book class
  - Structure: example of a master document and separated files for chapters
  - Index
  - One sided version
  - Two sided version
- Report class
  - Abstract
  - French version
  - English version



#### Different classes of documents

- Beamer class
  - Title slide
  - Content slides
  - Predefined themes
  - Colors
  - Animations



### Advanced course (document class = article, PM 3h)

- Matrices
- Determinants
- Systems of equations
- Advanced mathematical formulas including
  - Symbols and operators
  - Predefined mathematical functions
- Definition of new operators
- Definition of new commands (macros)
  - That may depend on one or more parameters
- Advanced document structure
  - Insertion of definitions, propositions, theorems and proofs
- Intra document citations
  - Formulas
  - Propositions
  - Etc.



## Methodology

- Each participant works on a computer of the IT room of the Institute of Mathematics
- The basic template can be downloaded from the course web page
  - To avoid typing errors
  - To explain each line of the preamble more easily
- Basic and advanced lectures
  - Each point is briefly explained
    - Using simple examples
    - Specifying the packages to be added to the preamble
  - Participants receive a short part of a book
    - Containing examples that have just been explained
    - To be encoded in LaTeX by themselves



## Methodology

### During the basic lecture

- The particularities of each class of document are explained
- Due to time constraint, it is however not possible to propose exercises for every usual type of documents



### Course material

- Reference book : <u>More Math into LaTeX / George Grätzer</u>
- Course web page : <a href="http://www.anmath.ulg.ac.be/fp/fdoclatex/">http://www.anmath.ulg.ac.be/fp/fdoclatex/</a>:
  - Instructions for installation
  - Minimal template

Available before the lecture

- Example with article class
- Example with book class
- Beamer example
- Example of PDF file inclusion
- Example of Excel graphic inclusion
- Example of a report

Available after the lecture



# Encoding references in BibTeX and citing them in LaTeX



# Why BibTeX?

number =  $\{2\}$ ,

language = {english}

### BibTeX is a tool to easily manage the bibliography of a LaTeX document

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@Book{bellman73,
            = {Methods of Nonlinear Analysis. \textup{Vol. II}},
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  publisher = {Academic Press},
            = \{1973\},
  vear
            = {Bellman, Richard},
  author
  number
            = \{61-II\},\
  series
            = {Mathematics in Science and Engineering},
            = {New York},
  address
  isbn
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            = {XVII, 261},
  pages
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  author = {Donatini, Pietro and Frosini, Patrizio},
  title = {Natural Pseudodistances between Closed Surfaces},
  journal = {Journal of the European Mathematical Society},
 year = \{2007\},
                                             Références
  volume = \{9\},
  pages = \{331--353\},
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- Kenneth J. Arrow et al., Studies in linear and non-linear programming, Stanford Mathematical Studies in the Social Sciences, no II, Stanford University Press, Stanford (CA), 1958.
- [2] Roger Astier, Méthode Box Jenkins appliquée aux séries de transport, Thèse de doctorat de 3<sup>e</sup> cycle, spécialité: statistiques, Université de Paris-Sud, Centre d'Orsay, février 1982.
- Edwin F. Beckenbach (éd.), Modern mathematics for the engineer, University of California Engineering Extension Series, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1956.
- [4] Richard Bellman, Methods of nonlinear analysis, 2 vol., Academic Press, New York, 1970–1973.



## **Objectives**

After this course, participants should be able

- to build a BibTeX database with their bibliographic references
- to import in this database bibliographic references from other databases such as Scopus, ZbMath, MathSciNet or a discovery tool like Primo
- to include a bibliography into a LaTeX document
- to cite referenced works when needed in the document



## Content of the course (1/2 day)

- Encoding bibliographic references of different types of scientific documents in BibTeX:
  - Books:
    - with one or more authors
    - in one or more volumes
    - translated from another language
  - Articles of scientific journals
  - Conference proceedings
  - Theses
  - In paper or electronic format
- Insertion of a bibliography in a LaTeX document
- Citation of a reference in the LaTeX document
- Importation of references from scientific databases



## Methodology

- Each participant works on a computer of the IT room of the Institute of Mathematics
- The encoding of a simple reference in BibTeX is explained. For this, we use JabRef which provides a user-friendly interface for editing BibTeX files
- A folder containing
  - printed copies of both sides of the title pages of about twenty documents
  - a printed version of references in the main bibliographic styles
     is distributed to participants. They are invited to encode these references in BibTeX using the most appropriate style for their disciplines
- Finally, the importation of references from scientific databases is explained



### Course material

Course web page : <a href="http://www.anmath.ulg.ac.be/fp/fdoc5/">http://www.anmath.ulg.ac.be/fp/fdoc5/</a>



# Difficulty of organization

### LaTeX

Participants come from completely different disciplines



Needs are not the same Conventions vary from one discipline to another



# Difficulty of organization: example

Nom	Analyse	Algèbre	Géométrie	Moyenne
Jacques	15	14	16	15
Jean	12	16	14	14
Michel	16	14	18	16

TABLE 1 – Résultats de math

\usepackage{caption} \captionsetup{justification=raggedright,singlelinecheck=false}

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# Difficulty of organization

#### LaTeX

Participants are often surprised that LaTeX training does not include BibTeX training



## New organization?

- Basic course (1 day)
  - Basic part (document class = article, AM 3h)
  - BibTeX (PM, 3h)
- Different classes of documents (1/2 day)
- Advanced course (1/2 day)
- Q&A session (1/2 day)



## Thank You!