A LATEX survival guide for Unix systems

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1 Introduction

This document is designed to provide new users of $L^{T}EX$ with a reference for the local features not documented in the manual (*The LTEX Book*, Lesley Lamport, Addison Wesley 1987); it takes the place of the *Local Guide* referred to in the book. For a general introduction to $L^{T}EX$, you are referred to the companion manual *Essential LTEX* ++, mostly by Jon Warbrick. For a general introduction to the concepts of the TEX software distribution, see Joachim Schröd's *Components* of TEX.

Readers of this document will normally be staff or students who have either taught themselves LATEX, or are being taught it as part of a course. Completely new users should read *Essential LATEX* ++ first, to familiarize themselves with basic concepts. Most of this manual is for reference purposes, so do not read it as a tutorial text!

LATEX runs on a variety of computers at many different sites. This document tells you how to use LATEX on Unix computers.¹ It is not about LATEX itself, which is described by the manual— *ETEX: A Document Preparation System*, published by Addison-Wesley, available at the book shop.

If you have a question that you can't answer by reading the manual and this document, ask the local support team.

2 Getting Started

2.1 Running a Sample File

Before preparing your own documents, you may want to get acquainted with LATEX by running it on a sample input file. First make your own copy of the file sample.tex by typing the following command:

```
cp /usr/local/tex/texmf/tex/latex/base/sample2e.tex .
```

(You must type the space followed by the period at the end. This and all other commands are ended by typing *return*.) A copy of the file sample.tex is now in your current directory; you can edit it just like any other file. If you destroy or mess up your copy, typing the above command again gets you a fresh one. Study this file as an example of a complete LATEX document, which uses many of the common features.

Next, run $\[\]$ EX on the file sample.tex by typing:

latex sample

When LATEX has finished, it will have produced the file sample.dvi in your directory. You can print this file by typing the command

dvips sample

After it has been printed, you can delete sample.dvi. You'll also see a file called sample.log which contains a copy of all the messages that came on the screen (with, sometimes, more detail). You can safely delete this after your run.

2.2 Preparing and Running LATEX on Your Own Files

You can use any text editor which produces plain ASCII text files to prepare input for LATEX. The easiest way to start learning about LATEX is by examining the file smallle.tex with your text editor. You can obtain your own copy of this file, in your directory, by typing the command

cp /usr/local/tex/texmf/tex/latex/base/small2e.tex .

After you have prepared your file, whose name should have the extension tex, you must run it through LATEX and print the output. Follow the instructions in Section 2.1, except substitute the first name of your file for sample. Remember to save disk space by deleting the dvi files after printing the output.

If you are used to using an Emacs-type editor, you may wish to utilise the facilities provided by GnuEmacs. These can be used on ordinary terminals, but if used on a workstation console, can use the mouse and function keys. Look out for the AUC-TeX package which provides a comprehensive set of facilities for editing LATEX code.

¹Excellent public domain implementations of T_EX for MSDOS, OS/2 and Macintosh computers are available from the UK T_EX Archive; see A.1 below.

Question	Answer
How do I run LATEX	Use the 'latex' command
How do I print a file?	Use the dvips command
Can I have bibliographies done for me?	Use BIBT _E X (it's documented in the LAT _E X book Appendix B!)—see section 5 below.
How do I recover from errors?	T _E X is notorious for giving you apparently meaningless error messages! If you type 'e' when you get a T _E X '?' prompt, you will be put into the editor (by default, 'vi'—set the environment variable TEXEDITOR to use a different one) at the error-producing line.
What if I run out of TEX memory?	This is a very big T _E X already that you are running. If you run out of memory, its probably your fault.
Is it possible to draw pictures?	LATEX itself has a 'picture' environment, de- scribed in the manual, but the simplest way is to include a POSTSCRIPT figure created with any good drawing tool (see section 3.2.1 below for how to include POSTSCRIPT in LATEX).
How do I preview files before I print them?	Use one of two previewers, dvipage and xdvi, depending on whether your windowing system is Sunview or X Windows.
Are there other packages for LATEX?	Lots. We have tried to collect useful-looking things. Some of these are documented below.
Are we in contact with the rest of the LATEX community?	Yes. There is a world-wide T _E X-hackers mailing list, and a UK list. These are the next line of defense after your local gurus; the UK bulletin is posted on Usenet news.
Are there other macro packages than LATEX?	Yes, certainly, but do not expect as much doc- umentation and examples. A_MS -TEX (from the American Mathematical Society) is wide- ly used. Such formats are not available by default—talk to technical support if you want to use them.
Can I use Metafont to create my own fonts?	Yes, it is installed. But don't expect much help about design!
Can I join a T _E X User Group?	Yes, contact the T _E X Users Group, P. O. Box 869, Santa Barbara, CA 93102, USA. telephone 805-899-4673; email Internet: tug@tug.org

Table 1: Common questions, with answers

If you want to stop LATEX in the middle of its execution, perhaps because it is printing a seemingly unending string of uninformative error messages, press *Ctrl-C*, and respond to the prompt with 'X'

3 Carrying On

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3.1 Operating system issues

The only special problems in using LATEX under this operating system involve the way files are handled. The first problem arises because, when a program starts to write a file, the previous version of that file is destroyed. Thus, if an error forces you to stop LATEX prematurely (by typing *Ctrl-C*), then the files that LATEX was writing are incomplete, and the previous complete versions have been destroyed. You probably don't care about the output on the dvi file, but, if you are making a table of contents or using cross-referencing commands, then LATEX also writes one or more *auxiliary files* that it reads the next time it processes the same input file. If the auxiliary files are incomplete because LATEX was stopped before reaching the end of its input file, then the table of contents and cross-references will be incorporated the next time LATEX is run on the same input file. You will have to run LATEX a second time to get them right. If you want to avoid having to run LATEX twice after making an error—for example, if your input is very long—then you should save copies of these auxiliary files before running LATEX. An input file named myfile.tex and all the auxiliary files produced by LATEX from it are included in the file specifier myfile.*. Use the cp command to save copies of these files.

The second problem in using LATEX involves the files that LATEX reads. The file whose name you type with the latex command is called the *root file*. In addition to reading the root file, LATEX also reads the files specified by \input and \include commands. With our directory system, LATEX must know not only the names of these file but also on what directories they are. It will have no problem finding the correct files if you follow two simple rules:

- 1. Run LATEX from the directory containing the root file.
- 2. Keep all files specified by \input and \include commands in the same directory as the root file.

If you follow these rules, you never have to type a path specifier when using LATEX.

You should never break the first rule, otherwise LATEX will have trouble finding auxiliary files. (To run LATEX on someone else's file, copy the file to your directory.) If you break the second rule, specifying a file from another directory in an \input or \include command, you must use a complete path name. For example, to include the file hisfile.tex from kk's directory foo/bar, you can type

\include{/home/kk/foo/bar/hisfile}

For people who don't like to obey rules, here is exactly how LATEX finds its files. The root file is found by the operating system according to its usual rules. LATEX's auxiliary files are read and written in the directory from which it is run. All file names specified in the LATEX input, including the names of document class files specified by the \documentclass command, are interpreted relative to the directory from which LATEX is run. If LATEX does not find a file starting in this directory, it looks in the system directory /usr/local/tex/texmf/tex/latex. You can change the directories in which LATEX looks for its input files by setting the environment variable TEXINPUTS. You need to type a shell command:

Shell	command to type
rc	TEXINPUTS=(. /home/dracula/texdocs)
sh	TEXINPUTS=.:/home/dracula/texdocs:; export TEXINPUTS
csh	setenv TEXINPUTS .:/home/dracula/texdocs:

This causes LATEX to look for files first in the current directory (do not neglect to specify a . for the current directory as the first place in the list), then in dracula's texdocs directory, and then in the system directory (the trailing : implies this). You might want to do this if your name is Dracula and you have your own personal package files in your texdocs directory.

3.2 How to use the dvips command

The dvips command is used to convert the TEX output file into POSTSCRIPT, and spool it to a LaserWriter or other POSTSCRIPT printer (including screen-based POSTSCRIPT interpreters like GhostScriptor OpenWindows). It includes the facility to incorporate raw POSTSCRIPT files into LATEX, using a \special command (see below, section 3.2.1). It is normally configured to invoke lpr directly.

The dvips driver has a plethora of command line options. Reading through this section will give a good idea of the capabilities of the driver.

Many of the parameterless options can be turned off by immediately suffixing the option with a zero (0); for instance, to turn off page reversal if it is turned on by default, use -r0. The options that can be turned off in this way are -a, -f, -k, -i, -m, -q, -r, -s, -E, -F, -K, -M, -N, -U, and -Z.

This is a handy summary of the options; it is printed out when you run dvips with no arguments.

```
This is dvipsk 5.58a Copyright 1986, 1994 Radical Eye Software
     Usage: dvips [options] filename[.dvi]
 a* Conserve memory, not time y # Multiply by dvi magnification
b # Page copies, for posters e.g. A Print only odd (TeX) pages
 c # Uncollated copies B Print only even (TeX) pages
                                       C # Collated copies
 d # Debugging
                                    D # Resolution
 e # Maxdrift value
                                       E* Try to create EPSF
 f* Run as filter
n I Add header file F* Send control-D a

i* Separate file per section K* Pull comments from

k* Print crop marks M* Don't make fonts

l # Last page
                                        F* Send control-D at end
                                            Pull comments from inclusions
                                       N* No structured comments
 l # Last page
                                        0 c Set/change paper offset
m* Manual feed
n # Maximum number of pagesP s Load config.$so f Output fileR Run securelyp # First pageS # Max section size in pagesg* Run guietlyT c Specify desired page size
 q* Run quietly
                                      T c Specify desired page size
q^ kun quietlyT c Specify desired page sizer* Reverse order of pagesU* Disable string param trick
 s* Enclose output in save/restore V* Send downloadable PS fonts as PK
                       X # Horizontal resolution
 t s Paper format
 x # Override dvi magnification
                                       Y # Vertical resolution
                                        Z* Compress bitmap fonts
pp #-# First-last page
     # = number f = file s = string * = suffix, `0' to turn off
     c = comma-separated dimension pair (e.g., 3.2in,-32.1cm)
```

The -E option makes dvips attempt to generate an EPSF file with a tight bounding box. This only works on one-page files, and it only looks at marks made by characters and rules, not by any included graphics. In addition, it gets the glyph metrics from the tfm file, so characters that lie outside their enclosing tfm box may confuse it. In addition, the bounding box might be a bit too loose if the character glyph has significant left or right side bearings. Nonetheless, this option works well for creating small EPSF files for equations or tables or the like.

3.2.1 Using the 'epsfig' package

If you want to include a POSTSCRIPT graphic into a LATEX file, use the \epsfig package with, e.g.:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{epsfig}
```

Now, at the point you want to include the file, enter a line such as \epsfig{figure=foo.ps}. If your file did not (or does not currently) have a bounding box comment, you should supply it as in the following example:

\epsfig{bbllx=100,bblly=100,bburx=500,bbury=500,file=foo.ps}

(in the same order they would have been in a normal bounding box comment). Note that all information for \epsfig is included in a single parameter, separated by commas. Now, save your changes and run TEX and \dvips; the output should have your graphic positioned at precisely the point you indicated, with the proper amount of space reserved.

The effect of the \epsfile macro is to typeset the figure as a T_EX \vbox at the point of the page that the command is executed. By default, the graphic will have its 'natural' width (namely, the width of its bounding box). The T_EX box will have depth zero and a 'natural' height. For graphics included with \epsfig where the size is given in T_EX dimensions, this scaling will produce the correct, or expected, results.

You can enlarge or reduce the figure by putting width=<dimen> in the parameter of \epsfig. Then the width of the TEX box will be \<dimen> and its height will be scaled proportionately. Alternatively you can force the vertical size to a particular size with height=<dimen> in which case the height will be set and the width will be scaled proportionally. If you set both, the aspect ratio of the included graphic will be distorted but both size specifications will be honored.

By default, clipping is disabled for included EPSF images. This is because clipping to the bounding box dimensions often cuts off a small portion of the figure, due to slightly inaccurate bounding box arguments. The problem might be subtle; lines around the boundary of the image might be half their intended width, or the tops or bottoms of some text annotations might be sliced off. If you want to turn clipping on, just use the parameter clip= to \epsfig.

4 Document classes

The normal article, book and report classes described in the manual are available. There are three groups of *package* files available: a) those supplied with LATEX, and endorsed by the maintainers; b) those initially developed by Frank Mittelbach and Rainer Schöpf (sometimes known as the 'Mainz' packages), and other members of the LATEX team, which will definitely work; those written and distributed by other LATEX users which have come into common use, but which are not so carefully tested. These packages may affect the main layout and style (eg 'times', 'multicol') or add new facilities (eg 'longtable').

4.1 'Mainz' packages

The recent, widely-used, packages from Mittelbach and Schöpf have their own documentation, stored with the source of the packages in directories of the relevant name in /usr/local/tex/texmf/tex/latex/tools.

If you want to read the full documentation conv the files from the

If you want to read the full documentation, copy the files from the relevant directory, and look at the *readme* file for how to get a printout. The packages are:

array An extensive revision of the LATEX tabular and array modes by Frank Mittelbach; the chief differences are new options in the preamble, listed in Table 2, quoted from the documentation.

m{width}	Definines a column of width width. Every entry will be cen- tered in proportion to the rest of the line. It is somewhat like \parbox{width}.			
p{width}	Equivalent to \parbox[t] {width}.			
b{width}	Coincides with \parbox[b] {width}.			
>{decl.}	Can be used before an l, r, c, p, m or a b option. It inserts decl. directly in front of the entry of the column.			
<{decl.}	Can be used after an l, r, c, p{}, t{} or a b{} option. It inserts decl. right after the entry of the column.			
I	Inserts a vertical line. The distance between two columns will be enlarged by the width of the line in contrast to the original definition of LATEX.			
!{decl.}	Can be used anywhere and corresponds with the $ $ option. The difference is that decl. is inserted instead of a vertical line, so this option doesn't suppress the normally inserted space between columns in contrast to $@{\ldots}$.			

Table 2: The new preamble options for 'array'

Additionally there is a new parameter called \extrarowheight. If it takes a positive length, the value of the parameter is added to the normal height of every row of the table, while the depth will remain the same. This is important for tables with horizontal lines because those lines normally touch the capital letters.

Facilities are available for defining new column specifiers, and for columns which line up on a decimal point.

This package also provides a 'longtable' package which implements arbitrarily-long multipage tables. For simple multi-page tables, the *supertab* package described below in section 4.2 will probably suffice.

ftnright a package which sets footnotes in the right-hand column of a two column style.

multicol Provides a flexible mechanism for multiple columns on a page. An ennvironment multicols is provided, with a parameter of the number of columns desired. The number of columns (up to 10) can be changed in the middle of a page.

This is set in four	can see that the nor-	lamentation	What is the city
columns across the	mal justification of	Who are those hood-	over the mountains
page, and 'multi-	T _E X is finding this	ed hordes swarming	Cracks and reforms
cols' is going to take	hard work.	Over endless plains,	and bursts in the vi-
care of the column		stumbling in cracked	olet air
breaks and mak-	What is that sound	earth	Falling towers
ing the columns the	high in the air	Ringed by the flat	
same height. You	Murmur of maternal	horizon only	

theorem new implementations of theorem environments.

verbatim new, more robust, implementations of verbatim environments, including facilities for verbatim input of a text file.

Some of these documents are rather technical. Ask for advice if you do not understand them.

4.2 Other packages

Some commonly-used, or interesting, packages which change the normal layout or style, or add new facilities, are

pifont Gives you access to Zapf Dingbats, if you have a PostScript printer and use dvips.

- * \ding generates a Zapf Dingbat character; it has a parameter of the Dingbat number (see chart p. 14 below). Thus \ding {166} generates @.
- * \dingfill (with the usual numeric parameter) acts like other filling commands, but fills the space with a chosen Dingbat so so so so so so like that.
- * \dingline generates a freestanding line of the little chaps:

.

* Inevitably, the 'dinglist' environment sets up an itemized list, but has a Dingbat instead of a bullet (you are reading a dinglist at the moment).

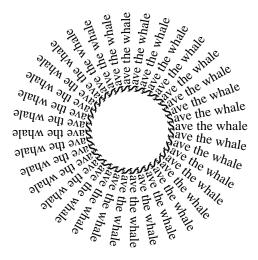
rotating This package provides three new environments.

'Rotate' provides a generalised rotation environment, where the text will be rotated (clockwise, as is normal in POSTSCRIPT) by the number of degrees specified as a parameter to the environment, but no special arrangement is made to find space for the result. Note the % at the end of \begin{rotate}{56} — this is vital to prevent a space getting into the rotated text.

Start here End here

```
Start here
  \begin{rotate}{56}%
   Save whales
  \end{rotate}
End here
```

A complete example of rotating text without leaving space would the 'Save the whale' text written at 10 degree intervals round the compass. We use 'rlap' to ensure that all the texts are printed at the same point. Just to show that T_EX can handle POSTSCRIPT muckingsabout properly...

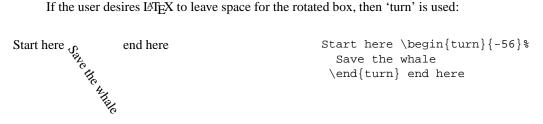


```
\newcount\wang
\newsavebox{\wangtext}
\newdimen\wangspace
\def\wheel#1{\savebox{\wangtext}{#1}%
\wangspace\wd\wangtext
\advance\wangspace by 1cm%
\centerline{%
\rule{0pt}{\wangspace}%
\rule[-\wangspace]{0pt}{\wangspace}%
\wang=-180\loop\ifnum\wang<180
\rlap{\begin{rotate}{\the\wang}%
\rule{1cm}{0pt}#1\end{rotate}}%
\advance\wang by 10\repeat}}
\wheel{Save the whale}
```

The following list is like description, but the labels
are set in a wider box:
cats and bears
are jolly good creatures to make money from, if you draw greetings cards
vultures
seldom appear on any cards
fleas, ticks, mites and cockroaches
have no credibility at all, though they do appear oc-
casionally in literature, most famously in the case of
'archie and mehitabel'

Figure 1: Demonstration of catalogue environment

If the user desires LATEX to leave space for the rotated box, then 'turn' is used:



The environment 'Sideways' is a special case, setting the rotation to -90, and leaving the correct space for the rotated box.



4.3 Local macros and environments

A number of useful macros and environments are provided in a single file local.sty, which is read in by the 'localart.sty' style. It defines (at least) the following commands:

- catalogue is a new environment for lists, demonstrated in Fig. 1.
- widedesc is a new environment for lists, demonstrated in Fig. 2.
- screen is a new environment for quoting code, demonstrated in Fig. 3. The text is set in a verbatim frame to make it stand out.
- Leslie Lamport's alltt environment is provided, which is like verbatim except that the \setminus , { and } characters remain active, permitting you to change font etc In addition, all the names of TEX-related products are provided as macros, listed in Table 3.

Additional BIBT_EX style files 5

In addition to the 'plain' and 'alpha' style files for BIBTEX described in the LATEX book, a number of other style files are available:

acm generates the style suitable for submission to the ACM

The following list is like description, but the labels are set in a wider box:					
are set in a wider b	OX.				
cats and bears	are jolly good creatures to make mon- ey from, if you draw greetings cards				
vultures	seldom appear on any cards				
fleas, ticks, mites and cockroaches have no credibility					
at all, though they do appear occasion-					
ally in literature, most famously in the					
case of 'archie and mehitabel'					

Figure 2: Demonstration of widedesc environment

```
psfig: including cstr3.ps
psfig: searching article1.ps \ ps@stream for bounding box
psfig: including article1.ps
psfig: searching article2.ps \ ps@stream for bounding box
psfig: including article3.ps \ ps@stream for bounding box
psfig: including article3.ps \ ps@stream for bounding box
psfig: including article3.ps
No file csstyles.ind.
[29] [30] [31] [32] [33] [34] [35] (csstyles.aux)
LaTeX Warning: Label(s) may have changed. Rerun to get cross-references right.
(see the transcript file for additional information)
```

Figure 3: Demonstration of screen environment

∖SLiTeX	slit _e x
∖SliTeX	SLiT _E X
\slitex	SLIT _E X
\PiCTeX	P _I CT _E X
\pictex	P _I CT _E X
∖AmSTeX	$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{S}$ -T _E X
∖AMSTeX	A_MS-T_EX
\AMSTEX	$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{S}$ -T _E X
\amstex	$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{S}$ -T _E X
∖BIBTeX	BibT _E X
∖BibTeX	BIBTEX
\bibtex	BibT _E X
\METAFONT	METAFONT
\Metafont	METAFONT
\metafont	METAFONT
$\setminus MF$	METAFONT
∖latex	ĿℰŦ _Ĕ X
\TeXsis	T _E Xsis
∖Unix	Unix
∖unix	Unix
\PS	PostScript

Table 3: Macros to print various TEX names

Magstep	GF/PK	PXL	point
.9	270	1350	9
1	300	1500	10
1.095	329	1643	11
1.2	360	1800	12
1.440	432	2160	14
1.728	518	2592	17
2.073	622	3110	20
2.488	746	3732	24

Table 4: Relationship between fontsize conventions

ieeetr generates style for IEEETR

apalike is a generic 'natural science' style that is essentially Harvard. You must use package apalike if you intend to use this bibliography style.

6 Fonts

A very large number of fonts are available to you, both ones generated by METAFONT, which should be available anywhere, and the POSTSCRIPT ones if you have a POSTSCRIPT printer (see 6.1 below). In case you are curious about the relationship between magnification, point size, file name etc, Table 4 may help.

6.1 Using POSTSCRIPT fonts

A number of special packages are available if you know that output is going to a POSTSCRIPT printer: for instance, using package palatino will make LATEX use Palatino for Roman, Avant Garde for Sans Serif, Courier for Typewriter. Similar packages are available for Times (times package), New Century Schoolbook (newcen). In general POSTSCRIPT fonts are to be preferred, since the Computer Modern Roman fonts do not reproduce well on a 300 dpi LaserWriter. You should *not* use the DVI output files on other systems or send them to other sites; the original LATEX source is, however, totally standard, and can be happily distributed to other TEX users (who will simply get the CMR fonts when they print by removing the package). **BEWARE** that you may get problems if you use a lot of mathematics: the maths fonts were designed to go with Knuth's Computer Modern Roman, and may not look good with Palatino or Times. You are recommended to consider using pure Computer Modern Roman if you are a heavy maths user, or purchase the Lucida Bright and Lucida New Math, or MathTime, fonts.

Examples of common POSTSCRIPT typefaces are:

• Family pag (AvantGarde)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family pbk (Bookman)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air

Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family phv (Helvetica)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family pnc (New Century Schoolbook)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family ppl (Palatino)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family ptm (Times)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only **What is the city over the mountains** *Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air* Falling towers

• Family pcr (Courier)

ptmWhat is that sound high in the air Murmur of maternal lamentation Who are those hooded hordes swarming Over endless plains, stumbling in cracked earth Ringed by the flat horizon only What is the city over the mountains

T _E X font name	LaserWriter font name	T _E X font name	LaserWriter font name
pagd	AvantGarde-Demi	pagdo	AvantGarde-DemiOblique
pagk	AvantGarde-Book	pagko	AvantGarde-BookOblique
pbkd	Bookman-Demi	pbkdi	Bookman-DemiItalic
pbkl	Bookman-Light	pbkli	Bookman-LightItalic
pcrb	Courier-Bold	pcrbo	Courier-BoldOblique
pcrr	Courier	pcrro	Courier-Oblique
phvb	Helvetica-Bold	phvbo	Helvetica-BoldOblique
phvr	Helvetica	phvro	Helvetica-Oblique
pnbb	NewBaskerville-Bold	pnbbi	NewBaskerville-BoldItalic
pnbr	NewBaskerville-Roman	pnbri	NewBaskerville-Italic
pncb	NewCenturySchlbk-Bold	pncbi	NewCenturySchlbk-BoldItalic
pncr	NewCenturySchlbk-Roman	pncri	NewCenturySchlbk-Italic
pplb	Palatino-Bold	pplbi	Palatino-BoldItalic
pplr	Palatino-Roman	pplri	Palatino-Italic
psyr	Symbol	ptmb	Times-Bold
ptmbi	Times-BoldItalic	ptmr	Times-Roman
ptmri	Times-Italic	pzcmi	ZapfChancery-MediumItalic
pzdr	ZapfDingbats	*	* •

Table 5: Names for common POSTSCRIPT fonts in TEX

Cracks and reforms and bursts in the violet air Falling towers

One particular font is more difficult to use, the collection of symbols called Zapf Dingbats. A chart of Dingbats is given in table 6. See p. 8 for details of a package which lets you easily access this font.

If you buy other POSTSCRIPT fonts, you will find that you are supplied with the font itself and a font metric file. The latter can be converted to a T_EX font metric file, and the font either downloaded permanently to a printer, or sent with every job. The details of this of beyond the scope of this guide, and you are advised to consult the support team.

7 Previewers

Previewing your output before printing can save lots of paper. There are two possibilities:

- 1. Use a dvi previewer. The recommended ones are *dvipage* for those using Sunview, and *xdvi* for those using X Windows. The former is fast, and has an excellent interface, but it does not support some of the more modern features of dvi drivers, and may not reproduce your output accurately (not at all if you use POSTSCRIPT fonts). The latter is rather more cumbersome, but has more features. In particular, it can access a set of bitmap versions of the common POSTSCRIPT fonts, which allows users of packages like 'times' to see exactly what they are getting. The manual pages for the two commands should be consulted for usage.
- 2. Neither of the previewers lets you see embedded POSTSCRIPT graphics, or effects like text rotation or gray shades. It is therefore often desirable to run the output through *dvips* (using the -0 option to save the output) and use a POSTSCRIPT previewer. If you use Sun's OpenWindows, this includes the *pageview* command to show any POSTSCRIPT file. The public domain Ghostscript (*gs*) is rather faster and more reliable, but has a poor interface. It is enhanced by the GhostView (*ghostview*) command which offers a good interface and calls on *ghostscript* to do the work.

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77	*	124	"	204	4	252	-
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Table 6: Dingbat Chart

8 Related software

There is a wide variety of supporting or related software available; a brief description is given below of commands which may be of interest. Unix manual pages are provided for all of these; note that you must add /usr/local/man to your *manpath* to access some of these:

tex Plain T_EX.

The following commands are for serious TEXnicians only: MakeTeXPK used by dvips and xdvi to create new .pk files from font sources on demand afm2tfm create .tfm files from Adobe .afm files dvicopy take a .dvi file and resolve all virtual font references, and write a new .dvi file with the result dvitype list a .dvi file in human-readable form for debugging gftodvi convert .gf font file to .dvi form for printing gftopk convert .gf font file to .pk form gftype list a .gf font file in human-readable form initex a special version of TFX which can read hyphenation patterns and write format files patgen generate a T_FX hyphenation file from list of hyphenated words pktogf convert .pk font file to .gf form pktype list a .pk font file in human-readable form pltotf convert a .pl (human readable) font metric file to .tfm tangle convert .web files to compilable Pascal tftopl convert a .tfm font metric file to .pl (human readable) form vftovp convert .vf virtual font files to .vpl (human readable) form vptovf convert .vpl (human readable) form virtual font files to .vf form weave convert .web files to .tex files for printing

A Joining the TEX and LATEX Community

Thanks to the generosity of Don Knuth and Leslie Lamport, and contributions from many individuals around the world, T_EX, METAFONT and LAT_EX are available, and in the public domain, on machines ranging from microcomputers like the IBM PC and the Apple Macintosh, to large mainframes. Actual implementations of these programs usually cost some money, but only because a certain expenditure of human effort is required to prepare a smoothly-functioning installation.

There is a large and active T_EX Users Group, TUG, which meets every summer, and which publishes an excellent quarterly journal, TUGBOAT, which averages about 200 pages per year. Membership in TUG costs only about \$50 a year, and order forms for membership, back issues, and other T_EX publications are available from the T_EX Users Group, P. O. Box 869, Santa Barbara, CA 93102, USA. Telephone 805-899-4673. Email (Internet) tug@tug.org

Immediately before and after the summer conference, there are workshops and tutorials for new, intermediate, and advanced users, and video tapes of several of them are available for rent or purchase through TUG. If sufficient local interest and support exists, TUG will also coordinate the holding of local on-site workshops to train people in the use of TEX and LATEX.

A.1 UK TEX users

The UK T_EX Users Group offers a joint membership with international TUG, publishes a newsletter, and has regular workshop meetings. Mail p.abbott@aston.ac.uk for details. It is also closely associated with the UK T_EX Archive at Aston University. This is a huge collection of T_EX-related material which may have what you want. You can access it using *ftp* to site ftp.tex.ac.uk (134.151.40.18).

Local T_EX users with access to Usenet news and becoming addicted to T_EX should also read *comp.text.tex*, but be warned that this is a high-volume news group and can get quite technical.

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