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Using software that produces professional print output may seem like a daunting task at first. As with any powerful and complex tool, getting started can be intimidating, and there is no official support and certain aspects such as layout modifications and document classes seem rather complicated. It may seem more straightforward to use Word or other WYSIWYG programs, but once you've become acquainted, LaTeX's capabilities far outweigh any initial difficulties. This book guides you through these challenges and makes beginning with LaTeX easy. If you are writing mathematical, scientific, or business papers, then this is the perfect book for you.

LaTeX Beginner's Guide offers you a practical introduction to LaTeX. Beginning with the installation and basic usage, you will learn to typeset documents containing tables, figures, formulas, and common book elements like bibliographies, glossaries, and indexes. Lots of step-by-step examples start with fine-tuning text, formulas and page layout and go on to managing complex documents and using modern PDF features. It's easy to use LaTeX, when you have LaTeX Beginner's Guide at hand.

This practice book will guide you through the essential steps of LaTeX, from installing the software to basic document formatting, and justification, to page design. Finally, you will learn how to manage complex documents and how to benefit from modern PDF features. Right from the beginning, you will learn to use macros and styles to maintain a consistent document structure while doing your typing work. This book will help you learn to create professional looking tables as well as include figures and write complex mathematical formulas. You will see how to generate bibliographies and indexes with ease. Detailed information about online resources, LaTeX software archives, web forums, and online compilers complement this introductory guide.