GETTING UP AND RUNNING
WITH AMSE\LaTeX

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Abstract. This is an attempt to tell you enough about \LaTeX and \AmS-\LaTeX so that you can get started with it without having to read the book.

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1. Introduction

This is an attempt to get you up and running with \LaTeX{} with the least possible pain. These instructions won’t be a substitute for the User’s Guide, but they may get you started quickly enough so that you’ll only need to refer to the guide occasionally, which should eliminate most of the pain.

The current version of \LaTeX{} (version 1.2) is really just an optional package for the new standard \LaTeX{}. \LaTeX{} provides the document classes \texttt{amsart} and \texttt{amsbook} (see Section 2.1) to replace the standard document classes \texttt{article} and \texttt{book}, and an optional package \texttt{amsmath} that can be used with the standard \LaTeX{} document classes. Thus, using \LaTeX{} is really using a variety of \LaTeX{}. If you’re new to \LaTeX{}, and these last few sentences made no sense to you at all, don’t worry about it. You don’t have to know what the standard \LaTeX{} document classes are in order to use the \LaTeX{} replacements for them.

I’ll be assuming that you have at least some experience with either plain \TeX{}, \LaTeX{} or \LaTeX{}, and I’ll try to tell you what you need to know so that you can get started with \LaTeX{} \textit{without} actually reading the \LaTeX{} User’s Guide [4], or even taking much of a look at the \LaTeX{} User’s Guide [1].

If you’ve never used \textit{any} version of \TeX{}, then I recommend “The not so short introduction to \TeX{}2e”, by Tobias Oetiker, Hubert Partl, Irene Hyna, and Elisabeth Schlegl [5]. This is intended for those with no knowledge of \TeX{} or \LaTeX{}, and concisely gives a description of what a \LaTeX{} document looks like and how you type text and simple mathematics in a \LaTeX{} document.

I’ve also given you a template file \texttt{template.tex}, which is an attempt to give you enough to mostly fake your way through an \LaTeX{} file, \textit{almost} without even reading these instructions. I’ve included the text of that file in these instructions as Section 10, so you might want to take a look at that now, and then just use the table of contents of these instructions to get more information on whatever in that file confuses you.
In case you haven’t guessed, these instructions were printed using \texttt{AM\LaTeX}, so you can get some idea what it all looks like.

2. Basic \LaTeX\ Stuff

In this section, we’ll describe the three commands that have to be part of any \LaTeX\ document: \texttt{\documentclass, \begin{document}, \end{document}}. The complete explanation of these can be found in the \LaTeX\ User’s Guide \texttt{[4]} or in \textit{The not so short introduction to \LaTeX} \texttt{[5]}. We’ll also explain how to begin a new section or subsection of the paper, and how \LaTeX\ manages to get the cross-references right (which is also the explanation of why you need to run a file through \LaTeX\ \textit{twice} to be sure that all the cross-references are correct).

2.1. The \texttt{\documentclass} command. Before you type anything that actually appears in the paper, you must include a \texttt{\documentclass} command. It’s easiest to just put the \texttt{\documentclass} command at the very beginning of the file, possibly with a few lines of comments before it.

It’s actually the choice of document class that determines whether you’re using \texttt{AM\LaTeX} or just plain old \LaTeX. There are two document classes that are a part of \texttt{AM\LaTeX}: \texttt{amsart} and \texttt{amsbook}. There is also the \texttt{amsmath} package that can be used with the standard \LaTeX\ \texttt{article} document class. I’ll only be discussing the \texttt{amsart} document class here. For the others, see the \texttt{AM\LaTeX} User’s Guide \texttt{[1]}.

The simplest version of the \texttt{\documentclass} command is

\begin{verbatim}
\documentclass[amsart]
\end{verbatim}

This will give you the default type size, which is 10 point type. If you’d like to use 12 point type, then you should include the optional argument \texttt{[12pt]}; this makes the command

\begin{verbatim}
\documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
\end{verbatim}

There are at least two optional packages that might be of interest. The first is for when you want to include the macros that make it easier to draw commutative diagrams. (These aren’t included automatically, since they take up a lot of memory, and not everyone wants to use them.) If you want 10 point type and you want to use the commutative diagram macros, then the commands to use are

\begin{verbatim}
\documentclass{amsart}
\usepackage{amscd}
\end{verbatim}

If you want 12 point type and you want to use the commutative diagram macros, then the commands are

\begin{verbatim}
\documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
\usepackage[12pt]{amscd}
\end{verbatim}
The other optional package is for use when you want to use some of the special symbols contained in the $\text{\textbackslash AMS}$-Fonts package. (These are the \fontfamily{msam} and \fontfamily{msbm}.) If you want the standard names for these symbols to be defined for your use, then you need to use the optional package \texttt{amssymb}. Thus, to use the default 10 point type and have the special symbols defined, use the commands
\begin{verbatim}
documentclass{amsart}
usepackage{amssymb}
\end{verbatim}
If you want to use 12 point type, the commutative diagram macros, and special symbols from the $\text{\textbackslash AMS}$-Fonts collection, then use the commands
\begin{verbatim}
documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
usepackage{amssymb}
\end{verbatim}
This document uses both of these packages, and so we used the commands
\begin{verbatim}
documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
usepackage{amscd}
usepackage{amssymb}
\end{verbatim}
2.2. \texttt{begin{document}} and \texttt{end{document}}. Everything that is to appear in the document must appear in between the \texttt{\begin{document}} and \texttt{\end{document}} commands. There are no optional arguments for these commands, so they always look the same. Anything following the \texttt{\end{document}} command is ignored. You \textit{are} allowed to have macro definitions (i.e., newcommands; see Section 7) before the \texttt{\begin{document}}, and that’s actually a good place for them, but that’s about all.

2.3. \textbf{Sections and subsections}. To begin a new section, you give the command
\begin{verbatim}
section{Section name}
\end{verbatim}
To begin the present section, I gave the command
\begin{verbatim}
section{Basic \LaTeX{} stuff}
\end{verbatim}
A section number is supplied automatically. If you want to be able to make reference to that section, then you need to \texttt{label} it. Since I wanted to be able to demonstrate the cross-reference commands, I actually began this section with the lines
\begin{verbatim}
section{Basic \LaTeX{} stuff}
\label{sec:basicstuff}
\end{verbatim}
This allows me to say “Section\ref{sec:basicstuff}” and have it printed as Section 2.

To begin a new subsection, you give the command

\subsection{Subsection name}

To begin the present subsection, I gave the command

\subsection{Sections and subsections}

A subsection number is supplied automatically. If you want to be able to make reference to that subsection, then you need to label it. This subsection was begun with the lines

\subsection{Sections and subsections}
\label{sec:sections}

so if we say “Section\ref{sec:sections},” it is printed as Section 2.3.

Labels always take the number of the smallest enclosing structure. Thus, a \label command that’s inside a section but not inside a subsection or Theorem or anything else will take the value of the section counter, while a \label command that’s inside the statement of a Theorem will take the value of that Theorem number. For more information on this, see Section 5.

2.3.1. Yes, there are subsubsections too. I began this subsubsection with the command

\subsubsection{Yes, there are subsubsections too}

I refuse to even experiment to see if there are subsubsubsections.

Sections without numbers. I began this subsubsection with the command

\subsubsection*{Sections without numbers}

and got a subsubsection that wasn’t numbered. If you give the command

\section*{A Section Title}

then you’ll begin a new section that will not have a number.

2.4. Italic for emphasis. If you want to use italics to emphasize a word or two, the \LaTeX{} convention is not to switch explicitly to italics, but rather to use the command \emph which means emphasize. This command works just like a font change command, except that it switches you into italics if the current font is upright, and switches you out of italics if the current font is italics.

For example, if you type

The whole is \emph{more} than the sum of its parts.
you’ll get

The whole is *more* than the sum of its parts.

but if you type
\begin{thm}
The whole is \texttt{emph\{more\}} than the sum of its parts.
\end{thm}
you’ll get

**Theorem 2.1.** The whole is *more* than the sum of its parts.

*Note.* The \texttt{emph} command is a recent addition to \LaTeX{}, and it has the feature that it automatically inserts an italic correction where needed. If you don’t know what an italic correction is, you can safely ignore this paragraph (but I will at least mention that all those “\textbackslash V” commands frequently seen in \TeX{} (and older \LaTeX{}) documents are all inserting italic corrections; the point of this paragraph is that, with the current version of \LaTeX{}, you don’t have to do that anymore).

2.5. **Once is never enough.** This is an explanation of how \LaTeX{} manages to fill in cross-references to parts of the file it hasn’t processed yet, and what those \texttt{.aux} and \texttt{.toc} files are.

*Cross-References.* Every time \LaTeX{} processes your file, it writes an auxiliary file. Since the file containing these instructions is called \texttt{amshelp.tex}, the auxiliary file is called \texttt{amshelp.aux}. The auxiliary file contains the definitions of all the keys used for cross-references. When \LaTeX{} begins to process your file, it first looks for an \texttt{.aux} file, and reads it in if it exists. Of course, this is the \texttt{.aux} file that was produced the last time that your file was processed, so the Theorem numbers, Section numbers, etc., are all the ones from the last time the file was processed.

The very first time that \LaTeX{} processes your file, there is no \texttt{.aux} file, and so \LaTeX{} gives *lots* of warning messages about undefined labels, or whatever. Ignore all of this. The next time that you run \LaTeX{}, there will be an \texttt{.aux} file, and all the references will be filled in. (Yes, it is possible, at least in theory, for some page number to change every time you run \LaTeX{} on your file, even without any changes in the source file, but this isn’t very likely.)

*The Table of Contents.* If you give the command \texttt{tableofcontents}, then \LaTeX{} will try to write a table of contents, including the page numbers of the sections. Obviously, \LaTeX{} can’t know those page numbers or section titles yet, so as \LaTeX{} processes your file, it writes a
. toc file containing the information it needs. (The . toc file for these instructions is amsmath.toc.) Once again, \TeX is always using the information from the last time that it processed your file.

If you do include a table of contents in your document, and if the table of contents takes up at least a page or so of space, then you might have to run \TeX three times in order to get all of the cross-references right. The reason for this is that the first time you run \TeX there isn't any . toc file listing the section titles, and so the table of contents has nothing in it. The second time you run \TeX you'll get a table of contents that lists the page numbers for the sections from the last time you ran \TeX, when the table of contents took up no space at all. Unfortunately, during this second run, the table of contents will be created, and will take up enough space to change the page numbers of the sections from what they were during the first run. Only during the third run will the correct page numbers be written into the table of contents. Since this doesn't change the amount of space that the table of contents occupies, this version will be correct.

How do I know when everything is correct? After processing your file, \TeX checks whether all the cross-reference numbers that it read from the .aux file are correct. If any of them are incorrect, it prints a warning on the screen at the very end of the run advising you that labels may have changed, and that you should run \TeX again to get the cross-references right. Unfortunately, \TeX doesn't seem to check that the table of contents entries are correct, so if you change the name of a section in a way that doesn't make any page references incorrect, you won't be warned to run \TeX again.

3. Title, Author, and the \texttt{maketitle} Command

This stuff should go right after the \begin{document} command. I'll give a quick sketch here, which is probably all you'll ever need, but the full explanation is given in Instructions for preparation of papers and monographs: \texttt{AM\TeX} [2]. If you are already familiar with \TeX, then you should be warned that this part is slightly different from what you do when using the standard \TeX \texttt{article} document class.

3.1. \textbf{The title}. You announce the title with the command

\begin{verbatim}
\texttt{title[Optional running title]{Actual title}}
\end{verbatim}

These instructions used the title command

\begin{verbatim}
\texttt{title[Running AmS-LaTeX]
{Getting up and running\}
with AmS-LaTeX}
\end{verbatim}
Notice that you indicate line breaks in the title with a double backslash. If I had decided to let the full title be printed in the head of the odd numbered pages, I would have used the command
\title{Getting up and running\}
with \AmS-LaTeX{}

3.2. The author, and the author’s address. The author is specified with an author command:
\author{Author’s name}

These directions used the command \author{Philip S. Hirschhorn}. The author’s address is given in an address command, with double backslashes to indicate line breaks. These instructions used the command
\address{Department of Mathematics\}
Wellesley College\
Wellesley, Massachusetts 02481}

If the author’s current address is different from the address at which the research was carried out, then you can specify the current address with the command \curaddr. For example, you might say
\curaddr{Department of Mechanics\}
Brake and Wheel Bearing Division\
Serene Service Center\
Salem, Massachusetts 02139}

You can also include an email address, with the \email command. These instructions used the command
\email{psh@math.mit.edu}

To acknowledge support, use the command \thanks, e.g.,
\thanks{Supported in part by NSF grant 3.14159}

This will be printed as a footnote on the first page.

Multiple authors. If there are several authors, then each one should have a separate \author command, with each individual’s address (and current address, and email address) following that individual’s \author command, in its own \address command (and \curaddr command, and \email command). If there are several authors, and their combined names are too long for the running head on the even numbered pages, you can give an optional argument to each \author command to supply a shortened form to use in the running head. (It’s apparently a convention that the running head in a multiple author paper should have only initials for the first and middle names, but I don’t think that I was invited to that convention.)
3.3. **The date.** This is pretty straightforward:
\begin{verbatim}
\date{Whatever date you please}
\end{verbatim}
To have the date of processing used, use the command `\date{\today}`.

3.4. **maketitle.** After you’ve given all of the commands mentioned in this section, you can give the command `\maketitle`. The exact arrangement is determined by the document class. In particular, the `amsart` document class puts the author’s address at the *end* of the paper. If you *don’t* give the command `\maketitle`, a title won’t be made.

4. **Theorems, Propositions, Lemmas, etc.**

The instructions in this section assume that you’re using the `newtheorem` commands that I put in the file `template.tex`.

4.1. **Stating theorems, propositions, etc.** To state a theorem, you do the following:
\begin{verbatim}
\begin{thm}
The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.
\end{thm}
\end{verbatim}
If you do that, you’ll get the following:

**Theorem 4.1.** The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.

If you thought that it was only a proposition, you’d use
\begin{verbatim}
\begin{prop}
The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.
\end{prop}
\end{verbatim}
and you’d get

**Proposition 4.2.** The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.

If you think it’s a theorem again, but you’d like to make reference to it in some other part of the paper, you have to choose a *key* with which you’ll refer to it, and then *label* the theorem. If you want to use the key `pythagthm`, then it would look like the following:
\begin{thm}
\begin{label}{pythagthm}
The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.
\end{label}
\end{thm}

If you later give the command \ref{pythagthm}, then that command will expand to the \textit{number} that was assigned to that theorem (in this case, 4.1). For more explanation of cross-references, see Section 5.

If you’d like to state a theorem and give a \textit{name} to it, then you can add an optional argument to the $\begin{thm}$ command. If you type

$\begin{thm}$ [Pythagorus]
The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides. $\end{thm}$

you’ll get

\textbf{Theorem 4.3} (Pythagorus). The square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the two adjacent sides.

\textit{Summary of environments provided in the template.} All of the following structures are numbered in the same sequence, in the form Section-Number.Number. Equations (i.e., displayed formulas, whether they are equations or not) will be numbered in the same sequence.

\begin{center}
\begin{tabular}{|l|l|l|}
\hline
Name & Printed Form & Body font \\
\hline
\texttt{thm} & \texttt{Theorem} & \textit{Italic} \\
\texttt{cor} & \texttt{Corollary} & \textit{Italic} \\
\texttt{lem} & \texttt{Lemma} & \textit{Italic} \\
\texttt{prop} & \texttt{Proposition} & \textit{Italic} \\
\texttt{defn} & \texttt{Definition} & \texttt{Normal} \\
\texttt{rem} & \texttt{Remark} & \texttt{Normal} \\
\texttt{ex} & \texttt{Example} & \texttt{Normal} \\
\texttt{notation} & \texttt{Notation} & \texttt{Normal} \\
\texttt{terminology} & \texttt{Terminology} & \texttt{Normal} \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\end{center}

For full details, see the beginning of the template file (reproduced here in Section 10), after the comment “The Theorem Environments.”
4.2. **Proofs.** To give a proof, you do the following:
\begin{proof}
As any fool can plainly see, it’s true!
\end{proof}
and you’ll get the following:

Proof. As any fool can plainly see, it’s true! \hfill \Box

If the theorem said that a condition was both necessary and sufficient for something, and you want to prove each part separately, you can do the following:

\begin{proof}[Proof (sufficiency)]
Well, it’s \textit{obviously} sufficient!
\end{proof}
and you’ll get

Proof (sufficiency). Well, it’s \textit{obviously} sufficient! \hfill \Box

that is, the \texttt{proof} environment allows you to use an optional second argument that will appear in place of the word \texttt{Proof}.

If the proof of Theorem 4.1 does not appear immediately after its statement, you might use the following:

\begin{proof}[Proof of Theorem\ref{pythagthm}]
As any fool can plainly see, it’s true!
\end{proof}
and you’d get

Proof of Theorem 4.1. As any fool can plainly see, it’s true! \hfill \Box

5. **Cross-References**

This section explains how to make reference to numbered sections, theorems, equations, and bibliography items, with the correct reference numbers filled in automatically by \LaTeX.

5.1. **References to sections, theorems and equations.** For each structure in the manuscript to which you’ll be making reference, you must assign a \texttt{key} that you’ll use to refer to that structure. For sections, theorems and numbered equations, you assign the key using the \texttt{label} command. This command takes one argument, which is the \texttt{key} you’re assigning to the object. The command \texttt{ref(key)} then produces the number that was assigned to that structure. If the structure is an equation, then the command \texttt{eqref(key)} should be used instead of the command \texttt{ref(key)}.

Consider the following example.
**Theorem 5.1.** If the maps $f: X \to Y$ and $g: X \to Y$ are homotopic, then $f_* = g_*: \Pi_* X \to \Pi_* Y$.

We typed this theorem as follows.

\begin{thm}
\end{thm}

\begin{label}{homotopy}
If the maps $f: X \to Y$ and $g: X \to Y$ are homotopic, then $f_* = g_*: \Pi_* X \to \Pi_* Y$.
\end{thm}

If we now type “see Theorem \ref{homotopy},” then it will be printed as “see Theorem 5.1.”

So, what exactly is the label labeling? We began this section by typing

\begin{section}{Cross-References}
\label{sec:xreferences}

and we began this subsection by typing

\subsection{References to sections, theorems and equations}
\label{sec:thmrefs}

The phrase “See Section \ref{sec:xreferences}” is printed as “See Section 5,” while the phrase “See Section \ref{sec:thmrefs}” is printed as “See Section 5.1.”

The command \label{key} assigns to key the value of the smallest enclosing structure. That's why the command \ref{sec:xreferences} is printed as 5, while \ref{sec:thmrefs} is printed as 5.1: the key sec:xreferences was defined inside of Section 5 but outside of Section 5.1, while the key sec:thmrefs was defined inside of Section 5.1.

References to equations. To make reference to a numbered equation, you assign the key as before, but you replace \ref with \eqref. For example, if you type

\begin{equation}
\label{additivity}
\Pi_* \bigvee_{\alpha \in A} X_{-\alpha} \iso \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} \Pi_* X_{-\alpha}
\end{equation}

then you'll get

(5.2) \hspace{1cm} \Pi_* \bigvee_{\alpha \in A} X_{-\alpha} \iso \bigoplus_{\alpha \in A} \Pi_* X_{-\alpha}

If we now say
\begin{thm}
Equation \eqref{additivity} is true for all sorts of functors $\text{mathrm}{H}$.
\end{thm}
then we’ll get

**Theorem 5.3.** Equation (5.2) is true for all sorts of functors $H$.

Notice the parentheses around the equation number, and the fact that even though the theorem is set in slanted type, the equation number is set in an upright font. This is the advantage of using \eqref instead of \ref; the command \eqref arranges it so that the number and surrounding parentheses are in an upright font no matter what the surrounding font, and supplies an italic correction if it's needed.

5.2. References to page numbers. If you want to make reference to the page that contains a label, rather than to the structure that is labeled, use the command \pageref{key}. For example, if you type

Look at page \pageref{homotopy} to find Theorem \ref{homotopy}.

you’ll get “Look at page 11 to find Theorem 5.1.”

5.3. Bibliographic references. Bibliography entries receive a key as part of their basic structure. Each item in the bibliography is entered as

\bibitem{key} The actual bibliography item goes here.

(For more detail on this, see Section 9.)

You refer to bibliography items using the \cite command. For example, the bibliography of these instructions contains the entry

\bibitem{HA}

If we say “This is the work of Quillen \cite{HA},” then it will be printed as “This is the work of Quillen [7].” Notice that square brackets have been inserted around the bibliography item number.

The \cite command takes an optional argument, which allows you to annotate the reference. If we say “see \cite[Chapter I]{HA},” then it will be printed as “see [7, Chapter I].”

6. Mathematics

6.1. Mathematics in running text. This is pretty much exactly as it is in plain \TeX, except that you have an extra option (which you can
ignore). The simplest thing is to just enclose between dollar signs ($) any material that should be in math mode. Thus, if you type

\[ f : X \to Y \]

you'll get

\[ f : X \to Y \]

The only novelty that \( \LaTeX \) introduces is that, instead of using a dollar sign to toggle math mode on and off, you can use ‘\( \backslash \)' to begin math mode, and ‘\( \)’ to end math mode. Thus, the example above is equivalent to typing

\[ (f : X \to Y) \]

This provides a tiny bit more error checking, but can otherwise be safely ignored.

6.2. **Displayed mathematics.** For simple displayed mathematics without an equation number, this is very much like plain \( \LaTeX \), again with extra choices that can be ignored. If you enclose material between double dollar signs($$), it will be interpreted in math mode and displayed. Thus, if you've previously given the command

\newcommand{\iso}{\approx}

(see Section 7), and you type

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\$$
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y
\end{array}
\]

you'll get

\[ \pi_1(X \vee Y) \approx \pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y \]

The new choices are that exactly the same thing will be obtained by either

\[
[\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y]
\]

or by

\begin{displaymath}
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y
\end{displaymath}

or by

\begin{equation*}
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y
\end{equation*}
If you'd like the displayed formula to be *numbered*, then you should use the \texttt{equation} environment. (\LaTeX{} calls all formula numbers \texttt{equation numbers}, whether or not the mathematics has anything to do with equations.) If you type
\begin{equation}
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1X \ast \pi_1Y
\end{equation}
you'll get
(6.1) \begin{equation}
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \approx \pi_1X \ast \pi_1Y
\end{equation}
(Notice that the \texttt{equation} environment produces an equation number, while the \texttt{equation*} environment doesn't. This is a standard \LaTeX{}ism: Adding an asterisk to the name of a numbered \LaTeX{} environment often gives the unnumbered equivalent.)

If you'd like to be able to make reference to the equation number, you need to \texttt{label} the equation, using a \texttt{key} that you can use for referencing it:
\begin{verbatim}
\begin{equation}
\label{p1eqn}
\pi_1(X \vee Y) \iso \pi_1X \ast \pi_1Y
\end{equation}
\end{verbatim}

If you later type \texttt{``see formula''\eqref{p1eqn}''} you'll get \texttt{``see formula (6.1).''} (For more on cross-references to formulas, see Section 5.1.)

\LaTeX{} has several environments that make it easier to typeset complicated multi-lined displays. These are explained in the \LaTeX{} User's Guide [1] and illustrated in \texttt{testmath.tex} [3, pages 29–40].

6.3. Commutative diagrams. \LaTeX{} provides the \texttt{CD} environment for drawing commutative diagrams. These only allow for \textit{rectangular} diagrams, but they're very convenient to use. If you need diagonal arrows, or curving arrows, or arrows that make a number of right angle turns, I recommend the \texttt{XY-Pic} package, which can do all of these things (and more).

\textbf{Important}: To use the \texttt{CD} environment, you need to load it with the command \texttt{usepackage[amscd]}. For example, the template file gives the commands
\begin{verbatim}
\documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
\usepackage{amscd}
\end{verbatim}
which select the \texttt{amsart} document class with twelve point type, and loads the macros for the \texttt{CD} environment.
A simple example. To produce the diagram

\[
\begin{array}{c}
A \longrightarrow B \quad B \\
\uparrow & \quad & \downarrow \\
X \quad \ll B \quad \longrightarrow Y
\end{array}
\]

you type

\[
\begin{aligned}
&\$
&\text{\begin{CD}
A & @>>> B & @= & B \\
\scriptstyle\text{AAAA} & @| & \scriptstyle\text{VVV} \\
X & @<<< B & @>>> Y
\end{CD}}
&\$
\end{aligned}
\]

This illustrates several things. First of all, the \texttt{CD} environment must be inside of a displayed mathematics environment. (Here we used the standard $$toggle to get displayed mathematics. If we had used, e.g., \texttt{\begin{equation}} and \texttt{\end{equation}}, we would have had an equation number assigned to the display.) Right pointing arrows are obtained with \texttt{@>>>}, left pointing arrows with \texttt{@<<<}, up pointing arrows with \texttt{@AAA}, down pointing arrows with \texttt{@VVV}, horizontal equals signs with \texttt{@=} and vertical equals signs with \texttt{@|}. Every line except the last is ended with a double backslash (\texttt{\\}).

\textit{Labeling the arrows.} The arrows can also be labeled. For horizontal arrows, anything between the first and second inequality sign goes above the arrow, and anything between the second and third inequality sign goes below it. For downward arrows, anything between the first and second V goes to the left, and anything between the second and third goes to the right (and similarly for upward arrows). Thus, if you type

\[
\begin{aligned}
&\texttt{\begin{displaymath}}
&\texttt{\begin{CD}
\texttt{\mathrm{H}_i X} & \texttt{\scriptstyle @>f_*>X} & \texttt{\mathrm{H}_i Y} & \texttt{\scriptstyle @<g_*<\text{iso< E}_{fA}}\ \\
\texttt{\scriptstyle @V\phi V} & \texttt{\scriptstyle @V\psi V} & \texttt{\scriptstyle @AA\Omega A}\ \\
\texttt{\scriptstyle \pi_i \pi} & \texttt{\scriptstyle @>\alpha\beta\gamma} & \texttt{\scriptstyle \pi_i (R,S)} & \texttt{\scriptstyle \prod_{k=1}^i H_k}
\end{CD}}
&\texttt{\end{displaymath}}
\end{aligned}
\]
you'll get

\[
\begin{align*}
H_i X & \xrightarrow{f_i} H_i Y \quad \xleftarrow{g_i} E_f A \\
\phi & \downarrow \psi & \Omega \\
\pi_i Q & \xrightarrow{\alpha \beta \gamma} \pi_i (R, S) \xleftarrow{A \text{ long arrow}} \prod_{k=1}^{i} H_k Z
\end{align*}
\]

Leaving out part of the rectangle. If you want to end a line in the diagram early (omitting the right end of that line), just type the double backslash. If you want to leave out the beginning of a line, you type “\(\)" (the “at” sign followed by a period) to denote an invisible arrow. (It’s the arrows that are the column markers in the CD environment.)

Thus, if you type

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{displaymath}
\begin{CD}
X \\& \\& \\
@VVV \\& \\& \\
Y = Y \\& @VVV \\& \\
\& @VVV \\& \\
\& Z
\end{CD}
\end{displaymath}
\end{verbatim}

you’ll get

\[
\begin{CD}
X \\
\downarrow f \\
Y \quad \downarrow g \\
\downarrow \\
Z
\end{CD}
\]

7. Macro definitions, A.K.A. NEWCOMMAND

\(\textsc{\textsf{\LaTeX}}\) allows you to use the same \texttt{\textbackslash def} command that you use in plain \TeX, but it’s considered bad style. Instead, \textsc{\textsf{\LaTeX}} has the \texttt{\textbackslash newcommand} and \texttt{\textbackslash renewcommand} commands, which do a little error checking for you. In plain \TeX, you might use the command

\texttt{\textbackslash def\textbackslash tensor\{\otimes\}}

but in \textsc{\textsf{\LaTeX}}, the preferred form is

\texttt{\textbackslash newcommand\{\textbackslash tensor\}\{\otimes\}}
The advantage of this is that \LaTeX will check to see if there already is a command with the name \texttt{tensor}, and give you an error message if there is. If you know that there is a previous definition of \texttt{tensor} but you \textit{want} to override it, then you use the command

\begin{verbatim}
\renewcommand{\texttt{tensor}}{\texttt{\textbackslash times}}
\end{verbatim}

If you want to use macros with replaceable parameters, the \texttt{newcommand} command allows this. For the equivalent of the plain \LaTeX command

\begin{verbatim}
\texttt{\textbackslash def\textbackslash pushout\textbackslash \#1\textbackslash \#2\textbackslash \textbackslash \#3\textbackslash \textbackslash \cup\textbackslash \{\textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash \textbackslash 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\item
This is the last item.
\end{enumerate}

then you’ll get

(1) This is the first item in the list, which runs on long enough to
spill over onto a second line.
(2) This is the second item in the list, which is a bit shorter.
(3) This is the last item.

The description environment requires an extra argument for each
item command, which will be printed at the beginning of the item.
If you type
\begin{description}
\item[sedge] A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands.
Sedges are often confused with grasses and rushes.
\item[grass] A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands.
Grasses are often confused with sedges and rushes.
\item[rush] A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands.
Rushes are often confused with sedges and grasses
\end{description}
you’ll get

\texttt{\textbf{sedge}:} A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands. Sedges
are often confused with grasses and rushes.
\texttt{\textbf{grass}:} A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands. Grasses
are often confused with sedges and rushes.
\texttt{\textbf{rush}:} A green plant, found in both wetlands and uplands. Rushes
are often confused with sedges and grasses

These environments can be inserted within each other, and the enumerate
environment keeps track of what level it’s at, and numbers its items
accordingly. If you type
\begin{enumerate}
\item I went to the dry cleaners.
\item I went to the supermarket. I bought
\begin{enumerate}
\item Bread,
\item cheese, and
\item Tabasco sauce.
\end{enumerate}
\item I went to the dry cleaners.
\end{enumerate}
I went to the bank.

you’ll get

(1) I went to the dry cleaners.
(2) I went to the supermarket. I bought
   (a) Bread,
   (b) cheese, and
   (c) Tabasco sauce.
(3) I went to the bank.

9. The bibliography

9.1. \begin{thebibliography}{number}. The bibliography is begun with the command

\begin{thebibliography}{number}

where \textit{number} is a random number that, when printed, is as wide as the widest number of any item in the bibliography. (The only use made of \textit{number} is that \LaTeX assumes that the numbers that it will assign to the actual items in the bibliography will be no wider (when printed) than \textit{number}.) For example, if the bibliography will contain between 10 and 19 items, you can use \begin{thebibliography}{10}.

After listing each item in the bibliography, you end the bibliography with the \end{thebibliography} command.

9.2. Bibliography items. Each item is begun with a \texttt{\textbackslash bibitem} command. The format is

\bibitem{key for cross-references} Item entry

For example, the bibliography in these instructions contains the entry

\bibitem{yellowmonster}

The above entry allows you to say

Homotopy inverse limits are discussed in \cite{Chapter 11} {yellowmonster}.

and have it print as “Homotopy inverse limits are discussed in \cite{Chapter 11}.” For more on this, see Section 5.3.
10. The template file

The following is the text of the file template.tex.

```latex
\documentclass[12pt]{amsart}
\usepackage{amscd}
\usepackage{amssymb}
```

This part of the file (after the \documentclass command, but before the \begin{document} command) is called the 'preamble'. This is a good place to put our macro definitions.

\newcommand{\otimes}{\mathbb{R}}
\newcommand{\ast}{\mathbb{C}}
\newcommand{\mathcal{M}}{\mathcal{M}}
\newcommand{\mathcal{W}}{\mathcal{W}}
\newcommand{\itilde}{\tilde{\text{imath}}} 
\newcommand{\jtilde}{\tilde{\text{jmath}}} 
\newcommand{\ihat}{\hat{\text{imath}}} 
\newcommand{\jhat}{\hat{\text{jmath}}} 

% The Theorem environments: 
% The following commands set it up so that: 
% All Theorems, Corollaries, Lemmas, Propositions, Definitions, 
% Remarks, Examples, Notations, and Terminologies will be numbered 
% in a single sequence, and the numbering will be within each 
% section. Displayed equations will be numbered in the same 
% sequence. 
% Theorems, Propositions, Lemmas, and Corollaries will have the most 
% formal typesetting. 
% Definitions will have the next level of formality. 
% Remarks, Examples, Notations, and Terminologies will be the least 
% formal. 
% Theorem: 
% \begin{thm} 
% \end{thm} 
% Corollary: 
% \begin{cor} 
% \end{cor} 
% Lemma: 
% \begin{lem}
% The following causes equations to be numbered within sections
\numberwithin{equation}{section}

% We'll use the equation counter for all our theorem environments, so
% that everything will be numbered in the same sequence.

% Theorem environments
\begin{document}

%% In the title, use a double backslash "\\" to show a linebreak:
%% Use one of the following two forms:
%% \title{Text of the title}
%% or
%% \title[Short form for the running head]{Text of the title}
\title

\author{

%% In the address, show linebreaks with double backslashes:


\address{}

%%% Email address is optional.
\email{}

%%% To have the current date inserted, use \date{\today}:
\date{}

\maketitle

%%% To include a table of contents, uncomment the next line:
% \tableofcontents
%%%---------------------------------------------------------------
%%%---------------------------------------------------------------
%%% Start the body of the paper here! E.G., maybe use:
%%% \section{Introduction}
%%% \label{sec:intro}

%%%---------------------------------------------------------------
%%%---------------------------------------------------------------
%%% The number "10" that appears in the next command is a TOTALLY
%%% RANDOM NUMBER which is chosen so that if it was printed, it would
\begin{thebibliography}{10}


\end{thebibliography}

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