

$\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$, $\text{L}^{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ and math

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An important exception

In the abstract there should be *no* use of personal macros. It should be able to typeset with a 'naked' version of \LaTeX : it's very common nowadays that the abstract is fed to some web page that maybe uses MathML, MathJax or similar device for handing the text to browsers.

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Turkey	91 329	Turkey	91,329	Turkey	91.3×10^3
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Source: Mr Leporello, private communication

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