INSERTING A FIGURE INTO LATEX

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To insert a figure into a LaTeX document, be sure that the line:

\usepackage{graphicx}

appears BEFORE \begin{document}

Here is an example: I created a plot in Maple, I right-clicked on the figure, and

I chose:

Export -> Encapsulated Postscript

I saved the figure as: testplot1.eps

Now, here's my LaTeX document into which I insert the figure:

\documentclass{article}

\usepackage{graphicx}

\begin{document}
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\centering
\includegraphics[width=4.0in]{testplot1}
\caption{This is the caption for my plot.}
\label{Fig1}
\end{figure}
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In the text somewhere, if I want to reference the figure, I would use something like this: Refer to my beautiful plot in Figure \ref{Fig1}.
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$\end{document}$

Notice that I am using a CAPTION and a LABEL. When I refer to the figure, I use the label- In this case, I wrote \ref{Fig1}.

EXTRA: If at some point you want to convert your document into PDF format, it's nice to also have your figure available in JPEG format. I almost always save two copies of my figure (one ending with ***.eps** and one ending in ***.jpg**).

We'll talk about PDF conversions later..