Choosing a LATEX document class

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Overview

Review of main classes

LATEX's standard classes

Any LATEX distribution embeds document classes which answer to most needs: the so-called *standard classes*.

Class	Highest heading	Heading level
article	section	0
report	chapter	1
book	part	2

Alternate classes for common documents

Highest heading	Heading level
section	0
chapter	1
part	2
book	3
chapter	2
option-dependent	N/A
N/A	N/A
	section chapter part book chapter

Alternate classes for other documents

Paper ands journals

Class	Journal
elsarticle	Elsevier journals
IEEEtran	IEEE Transactions journals and conferences

Miscellaneous

Class	Purpose
beamer	Presentation (slides)
powerdot	Presentation (slides)
moderncv	Curriculum Vitae
modernposter	Scientific poster
tikzposter	Scientific poster