

# Conference Posters

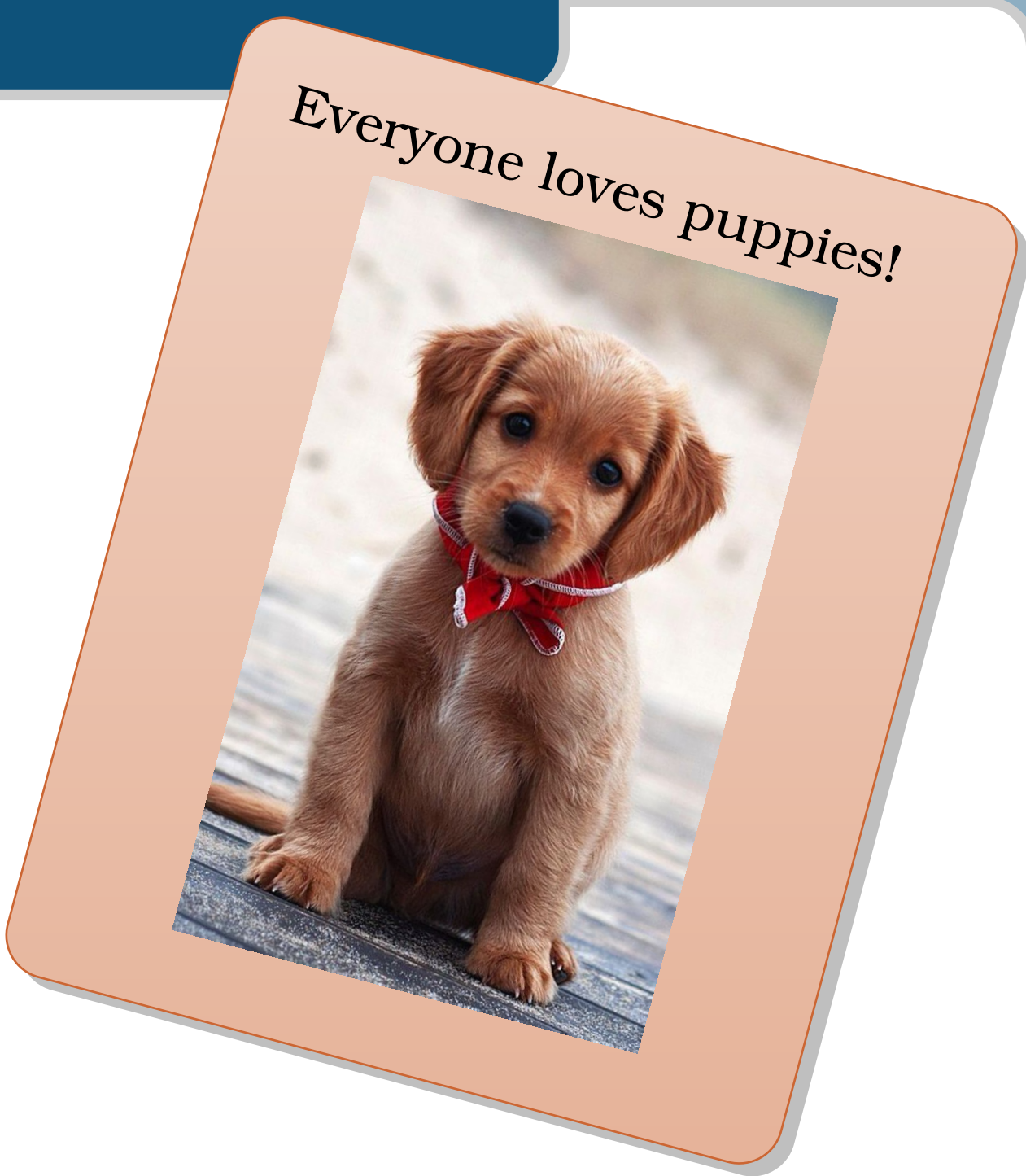
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## How to use the Tikzposter class

- Use `tikzposter` in `documentclass`, not `article`.
- Create columns using

```
\begin{columns}
\{column\}{X}
...
\{column\}{Y}
...
\{column\}{Z}
...
\begin{columns}
```

where `X`, `Y` and `Z` are percentages which sum to 1. They control the column widths.
- Create blocks within columns using `\block{title}{content}`.
- Read the manual at [www.ctan.org/pkg/tikzposter](http://www.ctan.org/pkg/tikzposter) for more information.



## Common poster mistakes

- Too much content!
- Lots of text and mathematics and/or a cramped design.
- No images of cute puppies.
- Warning: `theorem`, `proof`, `verbatim` cannot be used.

## A puppy



## The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

**Theorem.** Every polynomial  $f(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_0$  has a root in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

### A sktech of a proof

When  $r \approx 0$ , we see  $f(re^{i\theta}) \approx a_0$ .

When  $r$  is big, we see  $f(re^{i\theta}) \approx a_n r^n e^{in\theta}$ . These are  $n$  giant circles in the complex plane.

So as  $r$  changes from 0 to  $\infty$ , there are values  $r, \theta$  which make  $f(re^{i\theta})$  cross the origin in the complex plane.

## An example when $f(x) = x^3 - x + 1$

$f(re^{i\theta})$  for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$  shown on the complex plane:

