Contributing to md2pdf

Thank you for your interest in contributing to md2pdf! We welcome contributions from everyone and are grateful for even the smallest of improvements.

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Code of Conduct

This project adheres to a Code of Conduct that all contributors are expected to follow. Please read CODE_OF_CONDUCT.md before contributing.

Getting Started

- 1. Fork the repository on GitHub
- 2. Clone your fork locally
- 3. **Create a branch** for your changes
- 4. Make your changes and commit them
- 5. Push to your fork and submit a pull request

Development Setup

Prerequisites

- Python 3.8 or higher
- Git
- System dependencies for WeasyPrint:
- Ubuntu/Debian: sudo apt-get install libcairo2-dev libpango1.0-dev libgdk-pixbuf2.0-dev
- macOS: brew install cairo pango gdk-pixbuf libffi
- Windows: Install GTK3 runtime

Setting Up Your Environment

```
# Clone your fork
git clone https://github.com/YOUR_USERNAME/md2pdf.git
cd md2pdf

# Create a virtual environment
python3 -m venv venv
source venv/bin/activate # On Windows: venv\Scripts\activate

# Install the package in development mode
pip install -e ".[dev]"

# Install pre-commit hooks
pre-commit install

# Run tests to verify setup
pytest
```

Development Dependencies

The [dev] extra includes:

- pytest Testing framework
- pytest-cov Coverage reporting
- black Code formatter
- isort Import sorter
- flake8 Linter
- mypy Type checker

- bandit Security scanner
- pre-commit Git hook framework

How to Contribute

Reporting Bugs

Before creating bug reports, please check existing issues to avoid duplicates. When creating a bug report, please include:

- A clear and descriptive title
- Steps to reproduce the issue
- Expected behavior
- Actual behavior
- System information (OS, Python version)
- Relevant logs or error messages
- Sample files that reproduce the issue (if applicable)

Suggesting Enhancements

Enhancement suggestions are welcome! Please provide:

- A clear and descriptive title
- Detailed description of the proposed feature
- Use cases and examples
- Potential implementation approach (if you have ideas)
- Any relevant mockups or diagrams

Your First Code Contribution

Unsure where to begin? Look for issues labeled:

- good first issue Simple issues for newcomers
- help wanted Issues where we need community help
- documentation Documentation improvements

Pull Requests

- 1. Branch naming: Use descriptive names like feature/add-latex-support or fix/unicode-handling
- 2. Commits:

- 3. Write clear, concise commit messages
- 4. Use conventional commits format when possible: type(scope): description
- 5. Types: feat , fix , docs , style , refactor , test , chore
- 6. Code changes:
- 7. Include tests for new functionality
- 8. Update documentation as needed
- 9. Ensure all tests pass
- 10. Follow the style guidelines

Pull Request Process

1. Before submitting:

```
```bash
```

# Format code

black src/ tests/

isort src/ tests/

# Run linters

flake8 src/ tests/

mypy src/

bandit -r src/

# Run tests

 $pytest\,-cov\!=\!md2pdf$ 

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#### 1. PR Description:

- 2. Reference any related issues
- 3. Describe what changes you've made
- 4. Include screenshots for UI changes
- 5. List any breaking changes
- 6. Review process:
- 7. PRs require at least one review before merging
- 8. Address review feedback promptly
- 9. Keep PRs focused and reasonably sized
- 10. After merge:
- 11. Delete your feature branch

# **Style Guidelines**

## **Python Style**

We use Black for code formatting with:

- Line length: 88 characters
- Python 3.8+ syntax

## **Code Organization**

- Keep modules focused and cohesive
- Use descriptive variable and function names
- Add type hints to function signatures
- Write docstrings for all public functions and classes

## **Documentation Style**

- Use Markdown for all documentation
- Include code examples where helpful
- Keep language clear and concise
- Update the README for user-facing changes

# **Testing**

## **Running Tests**

```
Run all tests
pytest

Run with coverage
pytest --cov=md2pdf --cov-report=html

Run specific test file
pytest tests/test_converter.py

Run tests matching pattern
pytest -k "test_style"
```

## **Writing Tests**

- Place tests in the tests/ directory
- Mirror the source code structure
- Use descriptive test names
- Include both positive and negative test cases
- Use fixtures for common test data

Example test:

```
def test_pdf_conversion_with_custom_style(tmp_path):
 """Test PDF conversion with a custom style."""
 # Arrange
 input_file = tmp_path / "test.md"
 input_file.write_text("# Test Document")

Act
 converter = MD2PDFConverter(
 input_path=str(input_file),
 style="technical",
 theme="github"
)
 output = converter.convert()

Assert
 assert output.exists()
 assert output.suffix == ".pdf"
```

## **Documentation**

## **Docstring Format**

We use Google-style docstrings:

```
def convert_markdown(input_path: str, style: str = "default") -> Path:
 """Convert a Markdown file to PDF.

Args:
 input_path: Path to the input Markdown file.
 style: Name of the style template to use.

Returns:
 Path to the generated PDF file.

Raises:
 FileNotFoundError: If the input file doesn't exist.
 ValueError: If the style is not recognized.
"""
```

### **Updating Documentation**

- Update the README for significant changes
- Add entries to CHANGELOG.md following Keep a Changelog
- Update API documentation for new features
- Include examples for new functionality

# Community

## **Getting Help**

- Check the documentation
- Search existing issues
- Join our discussions

## Recognition

Contributors are recognized in the AUTHORS file and in release notes. We appreciate all contributions, no matter how small!

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