

1 An introduction to Aldoc.

aldoc is a markup language created by Aldo Acevedo, which takes heavy inspiration from Markdown. Its goal is to provide the simple syntax that Markdown (Pandoc's version, specifically) has, but without the quirks that it brings with it, such as:

- Different versions and editions of Markdown which vary mildly in syntax, thus making it unreliable for posting on multiple platforms (GitHub Markdown, original HTML Markdown, Pandoc Markdown, etc.)
- Markdown was not intended for use outside of small documents, such as small notes or READMEs, which led to decisions that impacted the ergonomics in the syntax (pandoc filters) and ended up in the creation of the different versions.

The aldoc compiler actually only plays a small part in the compilation:

- (1st) The aldoc source is parsed and compiled to LaTeX.
- (2nd) The LaTeX code is compiled to PDF.