pdfkit-commonmark

Allows users of <u>pdfkit</u> to render commonmark style markdown into their document (see <u>usage/code</u>).

Renders <u>commonmark</u> style markdown to pdf (see <u>usage/cli</u>).

Info

It relies on the <u>abstract syntax tree created by the commonmark parser</u> to create a custom renderer using <u>pdfkit</u>. To facilitate unit testing, the AST gets transformed into an intermediate (testable) list of operations which will finally be transformed into pdfkit api calls.

The <u>PDF version</u> of this README has been created using the pdfkit-commonmark cli script.

Install

Installation uses the npm package manager. Just type the following command after installing npm.

Supported markdown features

Paragraphs

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Headers (level 3)

Level 4

Level 5

Emphasize, Strong and Links

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Softbreaks (compare pdf with markdown source)

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Linebreaks (two spaces at the end of the line)

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Lists

- paragraphs
- headers
- inline formatting
 - 1. emphasize
 - 2. strong
 - 3. links
- softbreaks
- explicit linebreaks
- lists, including multi-line with formatting and links
- and last but not least
 - 1. nested lists
 - 2. and ordered lists

Unsupported markdown features

This renderer currently does **not** (and likely never will) support:

- horizontal rules
- code
- block quotes
- images
- html
- tables

Pull requests are welcome.

Usage

CLI

Code will not be rendered in the PDF. Check the <u>README.md</u> for the code examples.

Code

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Dependencies

There is currently only one regular dependency to "deep-defaults" to enable deep default options. If anyone has a better solution for that, I am happy for a pointer.

commonmark and pdfkit are marked as peerDependencies. Technically you would not need either of them for this module to work properly. But it would be pretty pointless to do so.