

# cesenaexam — class file to typeset exams\*

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## 1 How to make

This class is also provided with a Makefile and an example document.

Just execute the Makefile with `make` and the class file `cesenaexam.cls`, the package file `cesenaexam.sty`, this manual `cesenaexam.pdf` and the example document `cesenaexam_example.pdf` will be produced.

## 2 The cesenaexam document class

```
\documentclass[a4paper, 10pts]{cesenaexam}
```

The document class for the `cesenaexam`, which has few additional optional arguments listed in the following:

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- [`\boxed`]: Draws boxes around blocks. The red box is the tikz bounding box, the black one is the minipage bounding box. Useful for the layout of the page.
- [`\times`]: Sets a times font.
- [`\nover`]: Hides the footer.
- [`\left=2cm, right=2cm, top=2.5cm, bottom=2.5cm`]: Set the page margins using the geometry package, the defaults are indicated here in the options.

### 3 The cesenaexam package

`\usepackage{cesenaexam}`

**Not intended to be used with the class which already defines all the macros**

All the macros are defined also without the class in a standalone package, which is used to make this manual. There could be other uses, but those are not guaranteed.

### 4 Class and package settings and definitions

In both `cesenaexam.cls` and `cesenaexam.sty`.

```
1 %% Custom options
2 \RequirePackage{etoolbox}
3 %% I decided to use the etoolbox ifbool because the if else fi
4 %% has issues with docstrip and needs a dirty hack
5 %% tex.stackexchange.com/questions/162762
6 %% No version option
7 \newbool{exam@version}\booltrue{exam@version}
8 %% Box the blocks option
9 \newbool{exam@boxed}\boolfalse{exam@boxed}
10 %% Times font option
11 \newbool{exam@times}\boolfalse{exam@times}
```

Only in `cesenaexam.cls`.

```
12 %% No version option
13 \DeclareOption{nover}{\boolfalse{exam@version}}
14 %% Box the blocks option
15 \DeclareOption{boxed}{\booltrue{exam@boxed}}
16 %% Times font option
17 \DeclareOption{times}{\booltrue{exam@times}}
18 %% This class extends the article class
19 %% Read all the documentclass options; pass them to article,
20 \DeclareOption*{\PassOptionsToClass{\CurrentOption}{article}}
21 \ProcessOptions \relax
22 %%
```

```

23 \LoadClass{article}
24 %%
25 \RequirePackage{pgfkeys}
26 \RequirePackage{pgfopts}
27 %%
28 %% Options to pass to geometry using pgfopts
29 \pgfkeys{
30 /myexangeometry/.is family, /myexangeometry,
31 left/.default = 2cm,
32 right/.default = 2cm,
33 top/.default = 2.5cm,
34 bottom/.default = 2.5cm,
35 left/.store in =\exam@geometryleft,
36 right/.store in =\exam@geometryright,
37 top/.store in =\exam@geometrytop,
38 bottom/.store in =\exam@geometrybottom,
39 left, right, bottom, top,
40 }
41 \ProcessPgfoptions{/myexangeometry}
42 %%
43 %% Page layout, check if the boxed option is used to load
44 %% geometry with the showframe option
45 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%
46 \RequirePackage[showframe,%
47 left=\exam@geometryleft, right=\exam@geometryright,%
48 top=\exam@geometrytop,bottom=\exam@geometrybottom]{geometry}%
49 }{%
50 \RequirePackage[left=\exam@geometryleft, right=\exam@geometryright,%
51 top=\exam@geometrytop, bottom=\exam@geometrybottom]{geometry}%
52 }
53 %%
54 %% Set the times font if the option is times
55 \ifbool{exam@times}{%
56 \RequirePackage{newtxtext,newtxmath}%
57 }{}

```

In both `cesenaexam.cls` and `cesenaexam.sty`.

```

58 %% Loading graphicx before tikz removes a
59 %% strange issue with the \graphicspath
60 \RequirePackage[pdftex]{graphicx}
61 %% Tikz and circuitikz
62 \RequirePackage{tikz}
63 \RequirePackage[betterproportions]{circuitikz}
64 \usetikzlibrary{arrows.meta,arrows,intersections,%
65 positioning,fit,calc,through,babel}
66 \usetikzlibrary{decorations.pathmorphing,backgrounds}
67 %% Some settings for Tikz
68 \tikzset{switcharc/.style={draw, thick, >=stealth},
69 every picture/.append style={tight background,%
70 baseline=([yshift=-1em] current bounding box.north)}}

```

Only in `cesenaexam.cls`.

```

71 %% Set the Header
72 \RequirePackage{fancyhdr}
73 \renewcommand{\headrulewidth}{0pt}
74 \setlength{\headheight}{25pt}
75 \addtolength{\headheight}{\baselineskip}
76 \fancypagestyle{plain}{
77 \fancyhead[C]{
78 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%
79 \tikzset{every picture/.style={framed, tight background},%
80 background rectangle/.style={draw=red}}%
81 }{}
82 \begin{tikzpicture}
83 \node (header) [align=center] at (0,0) {\@title};
84 \end{tikzpicture}%
85 }%
86 \ifbool{exam@version}{%
87 \fancyfoot[L]{\it Proudly made with} \LaTeX}%
88 \fancyfoot[R]{CesenaExam v\cesenaexamversion { }- {\it A. Pacini}}%
89 }{}
90 }
91 \pagestyle{plain}

```

In both `cesenaexam.cls` and `cesenaexam.sty`.

```

92 %% Redefine the section to have bigger font and to be
93 %% delimited between two lines
94 \RequirePackage{titlesec}
95 \newcommand{\sectionfont}{\Large}
96 \renewcommand\thesection{\bfseries \arabic{section}}
97 \titleformat{\section}
98     {\titlerule
99     \vspace{0.5ex}%
100     \sectionfont}
101     {\thesection}{1em}
102     {\sectionfont \bfseries}[\titlerule]
103 %% Redefine the enumerate item to be bold
104 \renewcommand\labelenumi{\bfseries\theenumi.}
105 %% Options for the titlebox processed from the
106 %% maketitle optional arguments
107 \pgfkeys{
108 /mytitlebox/.is family, /mytitlebox,
109 textboxheight/.default = 0.6cm,
110 whiteboxheight/.default = 1cm,
111 textboxheight/.store in = \minheighttext@title,
112 whiteboxheight/.store in = \minwhiteboxheight@title,
113 textboxone/.default = {\relax},
114 textboxtwo/.default = {\relax},
115 textboxthree/.default = {\relax},
116 textboxfour/.default = {\relax},
117 textboxone/.store in = \textboxone@title,

```

```

118 textboxtwo/.store in = \textboxtwo@title,
119 textboxthree/.store in = \textboxthree@title,
120 textboxfour/.store in = \textboxfour@title,
121 %% Executing them to assign the default value
122 %% (Tikz manual 82.3.2 or tex.stackexchange.com/questions/85754)
123 textboxheight, whiteboxheight, textboxone,
124 textboxtwo, textboxthree, textboxfour,
125 }

```

## 5 Defined Macros

`\examsection`      Usage: `\examsection{<bold title>}{<italic text>}`  
Prints the title between two lines **with** numbering.

`\examsection*`      Usage: `\examsection*{<bold title>}{<italic text>}`  
Prints the title between two lines **without** numbering.

Definition of `\examsection` and `\examsection*`:

```

126 %% Define examsection and examsection*
127 \def\examsection{\@ifstar\examsection\@examsection}
128 \def\@examsection#1#2{\section*{#1 \textmd{(\textit{#2})}}\noindent}
129 \def\@examsection#1#2{\section{#1 \textmd{(\textit{#2})}}\noindent}

```

`\boxempty`      Usage: `\boxempty` → ☐  
Prints an empty box.

Definition of `\boxempty`:

```

130 %% Definition of empty tick box
131 \newcommand{\boxempty}{\$ \square \;}

```

`\boxcheck`      Usage: `\boxcheck` → ☒  
Prints a black or *checked* box.

Definition of `\boxcheck`:

```

132 %% Definition of empty tick box
133 \newcommand{\boxcheck}{\$ \blacksquare \;}

```

`\examparts`      Usage: `\examparts{<>}`

```

\examparts{\bfseries Parts done: \hspace{1cm}%
E1 \boxempty \hspace{1cm}%
E2 \boxempty \hspace{1cm}%
D \boxempty}

```

Used to include the checkboxes in `\maketitle` by passing the code to the `\examparts{}` macro. It is internally assigned to the variable `\ex@parts`.

Definition of `\examparts{}`:

```

134 %% Assigns to ex@parts what is passed to the function examparts{}.
135 %% Works similarly to author{}
136 \def\examparts#1{\def\ex@parts{#1}}

```

`\maketitle` Usage: `\maketitle[[opt. args]]{Surname}{Name}{Id}{Signature}{N}`  
Redefines the `\maketitle`.

The mandatory arguments label the text (or top) boxes, where the last one used to give the exam type using one char or number. It is also possible to give optional arguments:

- [*[textboxheight=0.6cm, whiteboxheight=1cm]*]: To set the height of the textboxes (*textboxheight*) and of the whiteboxes (*whiteboxheight*), the defaults are indicated here in the options;
- [*[textboxone=Guglielmo, textboxtwo=Marconi, textboxthree=000, textboxfour=Signature.pdf]*]: To fill the whiteboxes, default are empty.

A usage example is:

```
\maketitle[textboxheight=0.6cm, whiteboxheight=1cm,
textboxone={Guglielmo}, textboxtwo={Marconi}, textboxthree={00000000},
textboxfour={\includegraphics[width=3cm]{Guglielmo_Marconi_Signature}}]
{Cognome}{Nome}{Matricola}{Firma}{1}
```

`\maketitle*` Not implemented at the moment.

Definition of `\maketitle` and `\maketitle*`:

```
137 %% Redefine maketitle
138 %% Just for a future starred version
139 \def\maketitle{\@ifstar\make@@title\make@title}%
140 %% Define the unstarred version maketitle (make@title)
141 \newcommand\make@title[6][]{%
142 \pgfkeys{/mytitlebox, #1}%
143 \make@@@title{#2}{#3}{#4}{#5}{#6}}%
144 %% Define the common command
145 \def\make@@@title#1#2#3#4#5{%
146 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%
147 \tikzset{every picture/.append style={framed},%
148 background rectangle/.style={draw=red}}}%
149 \begin{center}%
150 \begin{tikzpicture}%
151 \pgfmathsetmacro{\boxlen}{(\textwidth-1.6cm)/4}%
152 \pgfmathsetmacro{\lastboxlen}{\textwidth - 4*\boxlen - 1mm}%
153 \node (surname) [draw, align=center, minimum width=\boxlen,%
154 minimum height = \minheighttext@title] at (0,0) {\bf #1};%
155 \node (surname box) [draw, anchor=north, minimum width=\boxlen,%
156 minimum height = \minwhiteboxheight@title] at%
157 ($ (surname.south)+(0,\pgflinewidth)$) {\textboxone@title};%
158 \node (name) [draw, align=center, right=0 and -\pgflinewidth of surname,%
159 minimum width=\boxlen, minimum height = \minheighttext@title] {\bf #2};%
160 \node (name box) [draw, anchor=north, minimum width=\boxlen,%
161 minimum height = \minwhiteboxheight@title] at%
162 ($ (name.south)+(0,\pgflinewidth)$) {\textboxtwo@title};%
```

```

163 \node (id) [draw, align=center, right=0 and -\pgflinewidth of name,%
164 minimum width=\boxlen, minimum height = \minheighttext@title] {\bf #3};%
165 \node (id box) [draw, anchor=north, minimum width=\boxlen,%
166 minimum height = \minwhiteboxheight@title] at%
167 ($(id.south)+(0,\pgflinewidth)$) {\textboxthree@title};%
168 \node (signature) [draw, align=center, right=0 and -\pgflinewidth of id,%
169 minimum width=\boxlen, minimum height = \minheighttext@title] {\bf #4};%
170 \node (signature box) [draw, anchor=north, minimum width=\boxlen,%
171 minimum height = \minwhiteboxheight@title] at%
172 ($(signature.south)+(0,\pgflinewidth)$) {\textboxfour@title};%
173 %%
174 \pgfmathsetmacro{\minheighttypebox}{\minheighttext@title +%
175 \minwhiteboxheight@title}%
176 \node (examtype) [draw, align=center, anchor=north west,%
177 minimum width=\lastboxlen, minimum height = \minheighttypebox] at%
178 ($(signature.north east)+(-\pgflinewidth,0)$) {\Huge \bfseries #5};%
179 \node (checkboxes) [align=left, anchor=north west] at%
180 (surname box.south west) {\ex@parts};%
181 \end{tikzpicture}%
182 \end{center}%
183 }

```

`\examtwoblocks` Usage: `\examtwoblocks{<B1 length>}{<B2 length>}{<B1>}{<B2>}`

Defines the macro `\examtwoblocks`.

The mandatory arguments are the length of the first block and of the second block, and their content, respectively. They two boxes are vertically aligned to their centre.

Definition of `\examtwoblocks`:

```

184 %% Macro for two blocks centre aligned
185 \def\examtwoblocks#1#2#3#4{%
186 \noindent%
187 \begin{minipage}[c]{#1}\flushleft#3\end{minipage}%
188 \hfill%
189 \begin{minipage}[c]{#2}\end{minipage}
190 \par\vspace{5mm}\noindent%
191 }
192 \def\examtwoblocks@box#1#2#3#4{%
193 \noindent%
194 \tikzset{every picture/.append style={framed},
195          background rectangle/.style={draw=red}}%
196 \let\bak@fboxsep\fboxsep%
197 \def\fboxsep{0pt}%
198 \fbox{\begin{minipage}[c]{#1}\flushleft#3\end{minipage}}%
199 \hfill%
200 \fbox{\begin{minipage}[c]{#2}\end{minipage}}%
201 \let\fboxsep\bak@fboxsep%
202 \par\vspace{5mm}\noindent%
203 }
204 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%

```

```

205 \renewcommand{\examtwoblocks}{\examtwoblocks@box}{}
\examtwoblockstop Usage: \examtwoblockstop{<B1 length>}{<B2 length>}{<B1>}{<B2>}
Defines the macro \examtwoblockstop.
The mandatory arguments are the length of the first block and of the second block,
and their content, respectively. They two boxes are vertically aligned to their top,
which is useful if used inside an itemize or an enumerate environment.
Definition of \examtwoblockstop:
206 %% Macro for two blocks top aligned
207 \def\examtwoblockstop#1#2#3#4{%
208 \noindent%
209 \begin{minipage}[t]{#1}\flushleft#3\end{minipage}%
210 \hfill%
211 \begin{minipage}[t]{#2}\flushright#4\end{minipage}%
212 }
213 \def\examtwoblockstop@box#1#2#3#4{%
214 \noindent%
215 \tikzset{every picture/.append style={framed},
216 background rectangle/.style={draw=red}}%
217 \let\bak@fboxsep\fboxsep%
218 \def\fboxsep{0pt}%
219 \fbox{\begin{minipage}[t]{#1}\flushleft#3\end{minipage}}%
220 \hfill%
221 \fbox{\begin{minipage}[t]{#2}\flushright#4\end{minipage}}%
222 \let\fboxsep\bak@fboxsep%
223 }
224 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%
225 \renewcommand{\examtwoblockstop}{\examtwoblockstop@box}{}
\examoneblockstop Usage: \examoneblockstop{<B length>}{<B>}
Defines the macro \examoneblock.
The mandatory arguments are the length of the block and its content. The box
is vertically aligned to its top, which is useful if used inside an itemize or an
enumerate environment.
Definition of \examoneblock:
226 %% Macro for one block top aligned
227 \def\examoneblockstop#1#2{%
228 \noindent%
229 \begin{minipage}[t]{#1}\flushleft#2\end{minipage}}%
230 \def\examoneblockstop@box#1#2{%
231 \noindent%
232 \tikzset{every picture/.append style={framed},
233 background rectangle/.style={draw=red}}%
234 \let\bak@fboxsep\fboxsep%
235 \def\fboxsep{0pt}%
236 \fbox{\begin{minipage}[t]{#1}\flushleft#2\end{minipage}}%
237 \let\fboxsep\bak@fboxsep%
238 }
239 \ifbool{exam@boxed}{%

```



240 `\renewcommand{\examoneblocktop}{\examoneblocktop@box}}{\}`

## 6 Change History

v0.2

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