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Preface

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Preface

Part I

Introduction

Introduction

1 Introduction

I do not want to write a lengthy introduction on how to use this template. If you are familiar with $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\epsilon}$, it should be fairly simple to use. Note, however, that you should pay attention to one detail regarding the compilation of the various bibliographies in the template.

1.1 Including the Bibliographies

I have received numerous emails asking me why their bibliographies for the introduction and the individual papers are not included in the thesis when they compile it. The reason is always that they blindly trust that their $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\epsilon}$ editor of choice can generate the bibliographies for them automatically. However, this is not true for this thesis template since the introduction and the included papers have their own separate bibliography.

Normally, an editor will run `bibtex master` in the background when asked to compile the bibliography for a master document named `master.tex`. Since the template uses the package `chapterbib` for generating the multiple bibliographies, the editor should instead run `bibtex introduction/introduction` to generate the bibliography for the introduction, `bibtex papers/paperA/paperA` to generate the bibliography for paper A, and so on. You can see how I compile the template by looking in the included `Makefile`. Note that you can run this `Makefile` on both OS X and on a Linux distribution. On Windows, however, you will have to either translate the `Makefile` into a bat-file, install Cygwin, or make your $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\epsilon}$ editor run the same commands.

1.2 Formatting Guidelines

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Formatting tips

- Body text: Times New Roman 10pt / 12pt spacing.
- Headline level 1: Arial bold 18pt / 21 pt - Capital letters.
- Headline level 2: Arial bold 11pt / 21 pt - Capital letters.
- Headline level 3: Arial bold 10pt / 21 pt - Capital letters.
- Quotations: Times New Roman Italic 10pt / 12pt.

Please notice that chapter must start on a right-hand page.

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Text in color It is recommended not to use colors for text. However, if you want to use colors they must use the CMYK model. If you use `fontspec`, for font definitions, using the `[Color=...]` options as `fontspec` doesn't support CMYK colours. instead you will need to use the `color` command from `xcolor` instead. For more information see for instance [stackexchange: pdf-colour-model-and-latex](#).

Black colors Please ensure that black colors are truly black and not a dark gray tone, i.e. black text including headers and footers should be 100 % K(eycolor). This goes for both text and figures.

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- [how-to-embed-fonts-at-compile-time-with-pdflatex](#)
- [getting-pdflatex-to-embed-all-fonts](#).
- [embedding-fonts-for-ieee](#).

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- [Adobe: Reembedding fonts in a pdf](#)
- [prepressure.com: Fonts in PDF files](#)
- [Stackoverflow: how-do-i-embed-fonts-in-an-existing-pdf](#)

Graphics

- Make sure that no lines have a thickness less than 0.15 points.
- Images should be approximately 300 dpi/ppi but no more than 400 dpi/ppi.

2 Section 2 name

Here is section 2. If you want to learn more about $\text{\LaTeX}2_{\epsilon}$, have a look at [1], [3] and [2].

I think this word is misspelled

3. Conclusion



2.1 Examples

You can also have examples in your document such as in example 2.1.

Example 2.1 (An Example of an Example)

Here is an example with some math

$$0 = \exp(i\pi) + 1 . \quad (1)$$

You can adjust the colour and the line width in the `macros.tex` file.

2.2 How does Subsections and Subsubsections Look?

Well, like this

This is a Subsubsection

and this.

A Paragraph You can also use paragraph titles which look like this.

A Subparagraph Moreover, you can also use subparagraph titles which look like this. They have a small indentation as opposed to the paragraph titles.

I think that a summary of this exciting chapter should be added.

Is it possible to add a subsub-paragraph?

3 Conclusion

There are probably still some bugs in the theme. If you should find one, then please submit it on <https://github.com/jkjaer/aauLatexTemplates>.

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Part II

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Paper A title

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2 Conclusion

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