# The **NotesPages** Package

## **Example File**

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# 1 Layout variations

#### 1.1 Default settings

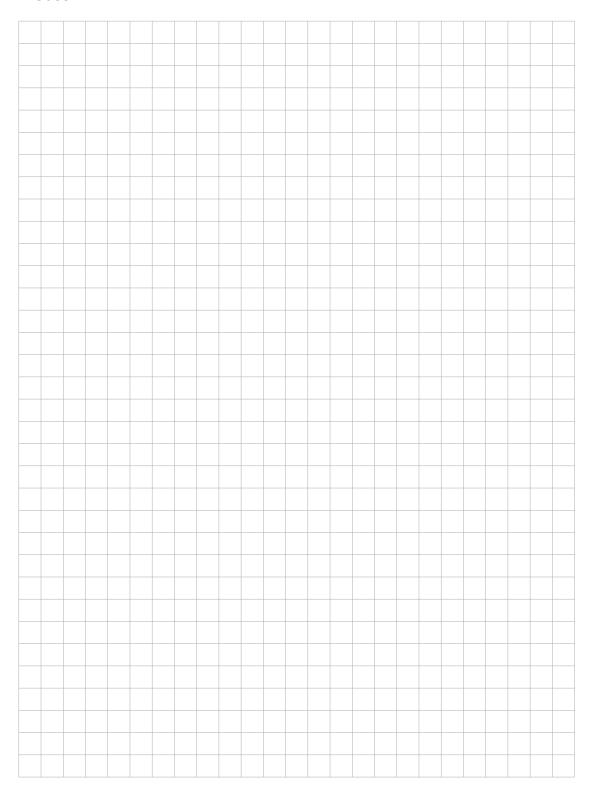
First let's start with the default settings. The next three and a half pages are filled with \notesfill, \notespage, and \notespages. The latter will produce two pages, in order to fill up the document to a multiple of 4 pages.

Btw.: In the lower left corner of this page and the next three is a bit of text, put there with eso-pic, to check, if the bug from version 0.8 is gone. It's in yellow, so barely visible. The commands are:

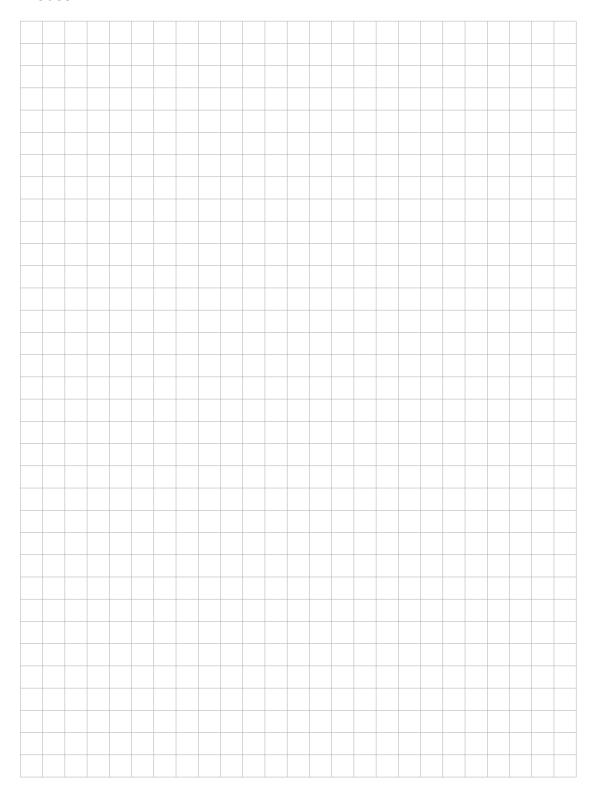
\notesfill
\notespage
\notespages



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#### 1.2 The options startnotes and allowfloats

To show the effect of these options, some text and a float, which doesn't fit on this page, is needed. For the float the positioning [htb] was used. After the float \notespage was used once.

Test for referencing: Figure 1.1 on page 10.

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Figure 1.1: Just a rectangle

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Now let's do this again, but this time using \notespage[startnotes=newpage]. Test for referencing: Figure 1.2 on page 14.

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Figure 1.2: Another rectangle

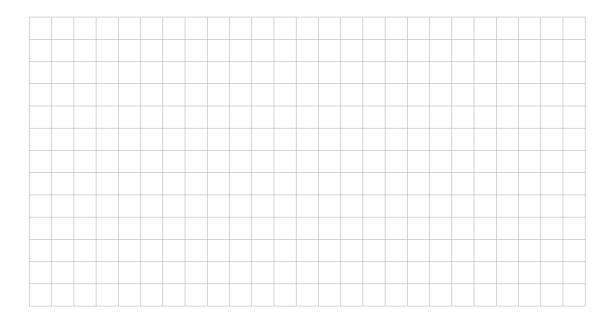
Ok, now lets add the option allowfloats and see what happens. This time \notespages [startnotes=newpage,allowfloats] is used, filling the document up to page 16. Note: the header is already changed on the next page.

Test for referencing: Figure 1.3 on page 15.

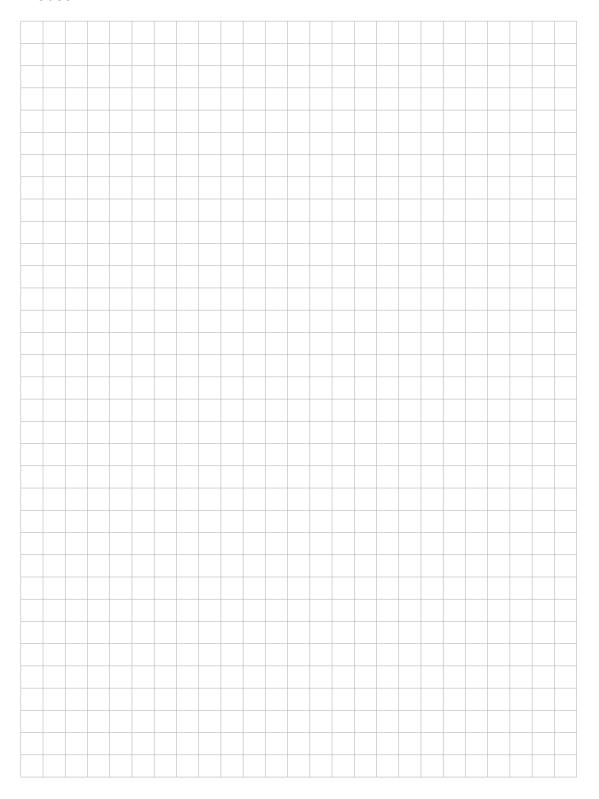


Figure 1.3: A third rectangle

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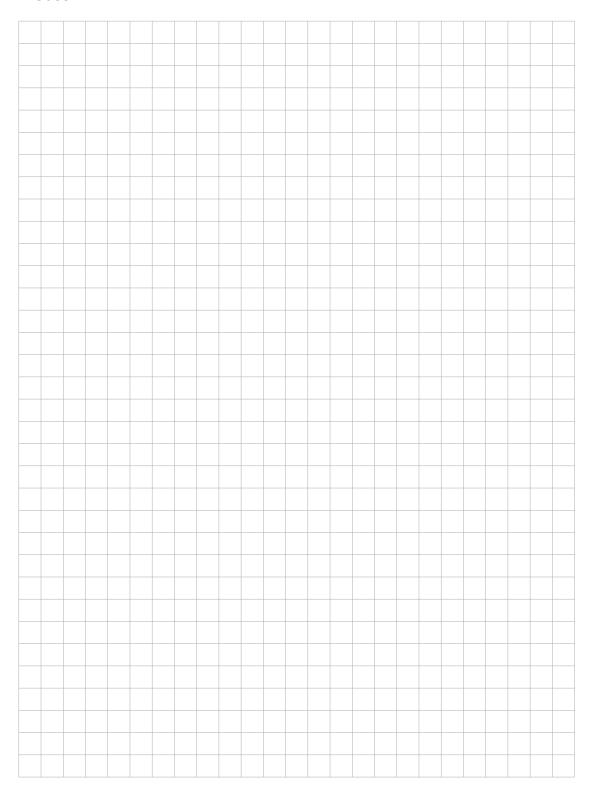


#### 1.3 The option pagestyle

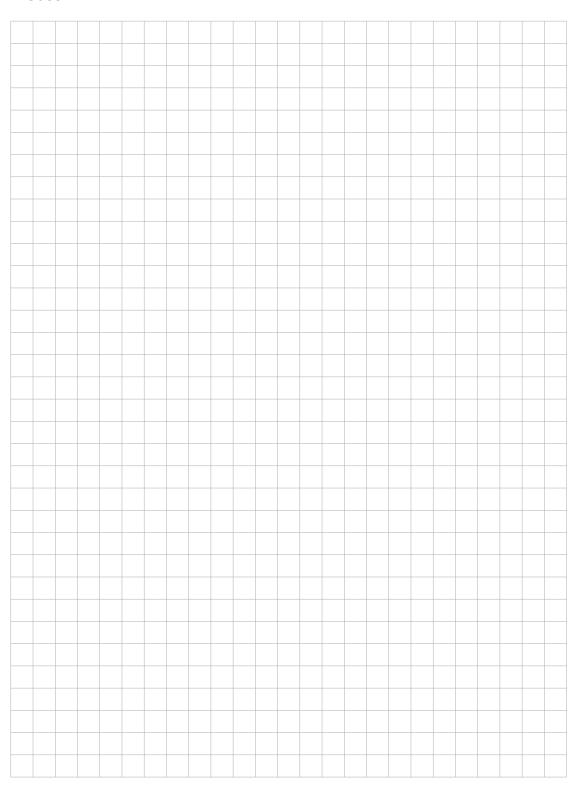
The next 3 pages show notes pages with different page styles. The commands are:

\notespage[pagestyle=empty]
\notespage[pagestyle=plain]
\notespage[pagestyle=useheadings]

Btw.: The pagestyle for this document was defined deliberately this way to see both header marks as often as possible. For this, the package scrpage2 from KOMA-Script was used.







#### 1.4 The option notesstyle

Up until now, the default notesstyle (grid) was used. The next example shows the other four. The commands are:

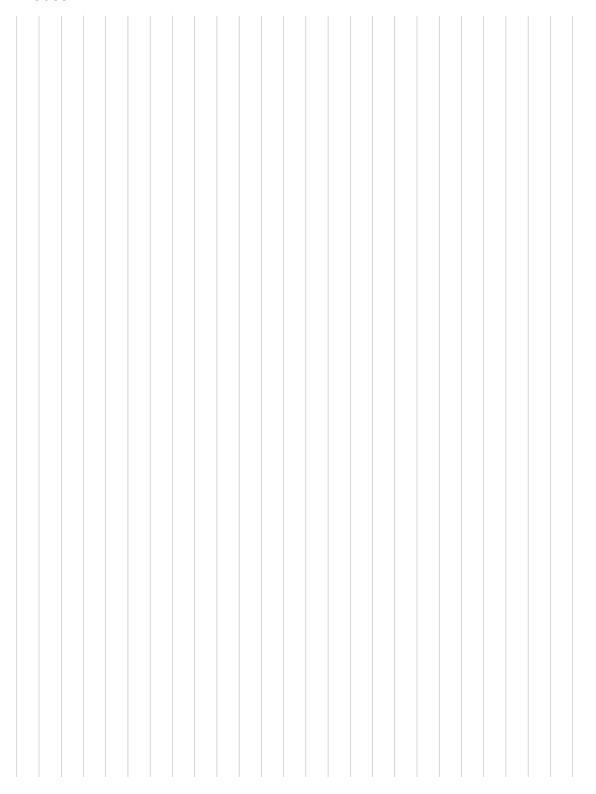
\notespage[notesstyle=plain]
\notespage[vparts=35,notesstyle=lines]
\notespage[notesstyle=vlines]
\notespage[notesstyle=text]
\notespage[vacant]

For the second page vparts=35 was used, because the default is 0 and therefore the notes area would be empty. The fourth page doesn't realy make sense, because the notes style text was meant to be used for otherwise empty pages. For this the meta option vacant was introduced. Its effect can be seen on the fifth page.

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#### 1.5 The options hparts, vparts, and usenotesareaheight

Now let's play around a little with the options hparts and vparts. As mentioned in the manual, a value of 1 will always draw two lines. Let's take a look. The commands are:

\notesfill[vparts=1,notesstyle=lines]
\notespage[hparts=1,notesstyle=vlines]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1]

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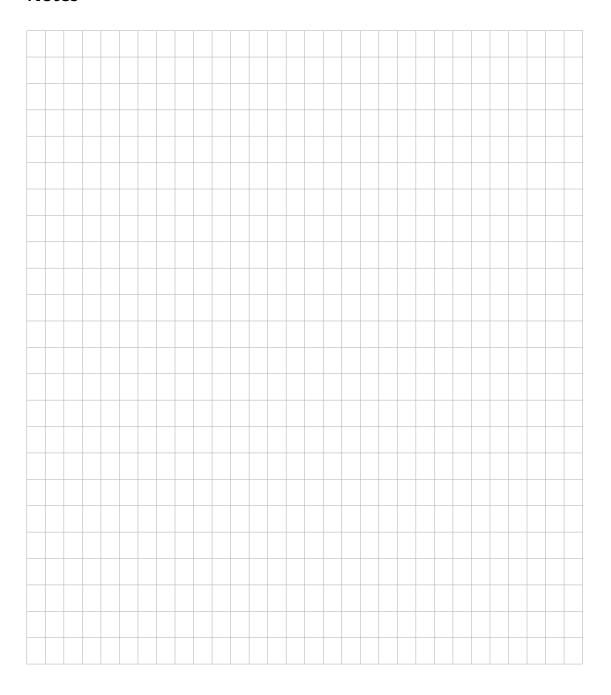
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With the same values for both, one gets rectangles with the same aspect ratio as the text body. The command:

\notesfill[hparts=30,vparts=30]

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With the option usenotesareaheight the height of a vertical part will be calculated based on the height of the notes area instead of \textheight. Thus, there will be the exact number of parts given to vparts.

But first, lets see it without usenotesareaheight. The command:

\notesfill[hparts=2,vparts=2]

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And now, the same command, but this time with the option use notesareaheight. The command is:

\notesfill[hparts=2,vparts=2,usenotesareaheight]

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But with the same command the height of a vertical part can be different each time, as can be seen below.

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#### 1.6 The option titlestyle

The following pages show the possible titlestyles. Since the top most rectangles for the default appearance of the notes area will only be shown, if they fit completely into the notes area, the latter was change to be just a rectangle. Without this, the real distance between notes title and notes area couldn't be seen. The choice minisec wasn't used here, so this file can be compiled with classes, which don't support the command \minisec. The commands are:

```
\notesfill[hparts=1,vparts=1]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titlestyle=subsection]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titlestyle=subsubsection]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titlestyle=text]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titlestyle=none]
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## 1.7 The option titletext

With the option titletext a new text for the notes title can be given. If the new text is not just a single word, it should be given in braces. And if it contains a comma or an equality sign it must be given in braces.

The new text is also used as the text for the header mark, if the option marktext is not used. The commands are:

\notesfill[hparts=1,vparts=1,titletext={Please, make some notes here}]
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titletext={Scribble page}]

F	Please, make some notes here				

Scribble page

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Scribble page

## 1.8 The option titleskip

Especially if titlestyle=text is given, the option titleskip is useful. With it, some space can be put between the notes title and the notes area. This is shown here. Compare it to page 37. The command is:

<pre>\notesfill[hparts=1,vparts=1,titlestyle=text,titleskip=2ex]</pre>				
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## 1.9 The option titlenotesfill

The option titlenotesfill will move the notes area down to the end of the page. This can only be shown with the notesstyle *text*, for whitch it doesn't realy make sense. But if someone defines a custom notes style, which doesn't use the whole notes area, the option can be used to move it down. The command is:

\notesfill[notesstyle=text,filltopfill=false,titlenotesfill]

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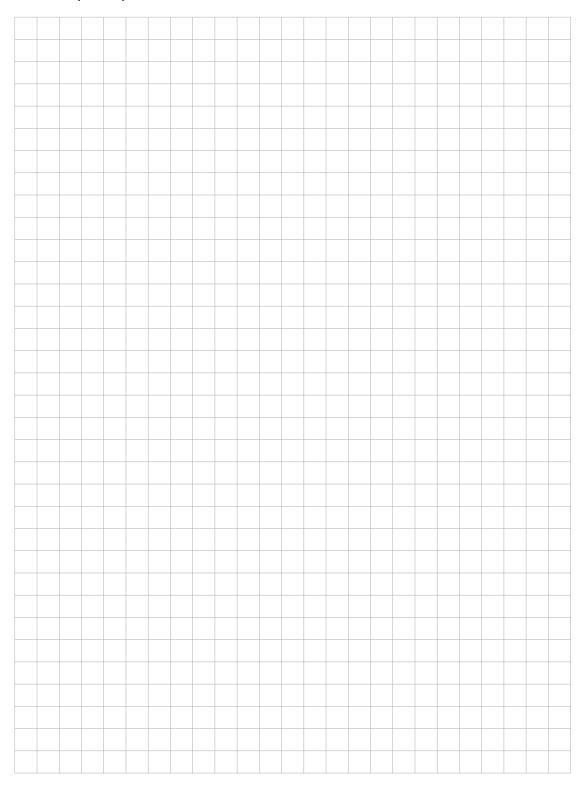
## 1.10 The option mark

Up unitl now, mark was set to both. The next pages will show the other choices. The commands are:

```
\notespage[mark=keep,titletext={Notes (keep)}]
\notespage[mark=right,titletext={Notes (right)}]
\notespage[mark=left,titletext={Notes (left)}]
\notespage[mark=right,titletext={Notes (right)}]
\notespage[titletext={Notes (both)}]
\notespage[mark=left,titletext={Notes (left)}]
\notespage[mark=right,titletext={Notes (right)}]
\notespage[mark=left,titletext={Notes (left)}]
\notespage[titletext={Notes (both)}]
\notespage[mark=right,titletext={Notes (right)}]
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```

The additional pages were put in to test, if switching between the choices of mark works.

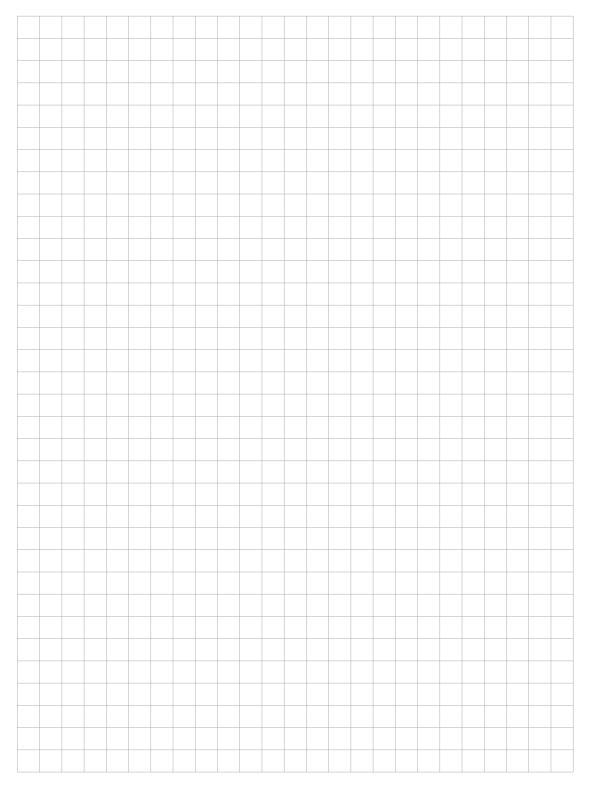
# Notes (keep)



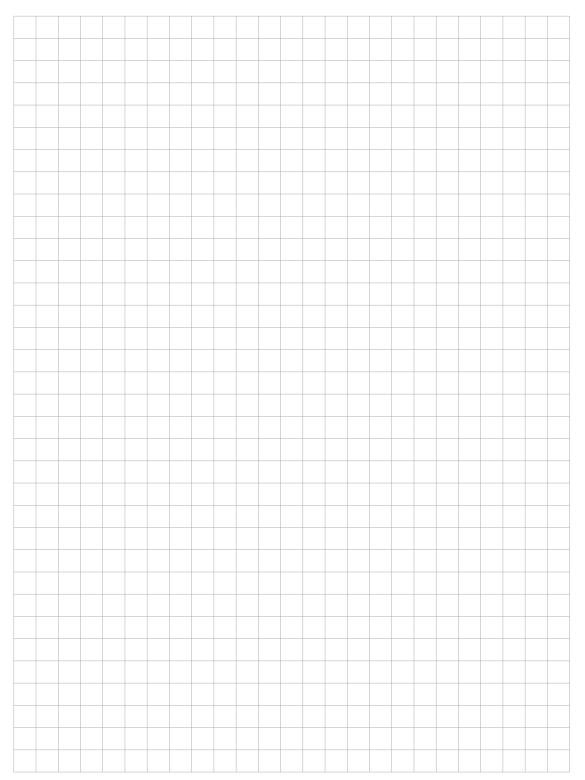
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# Notes (right)



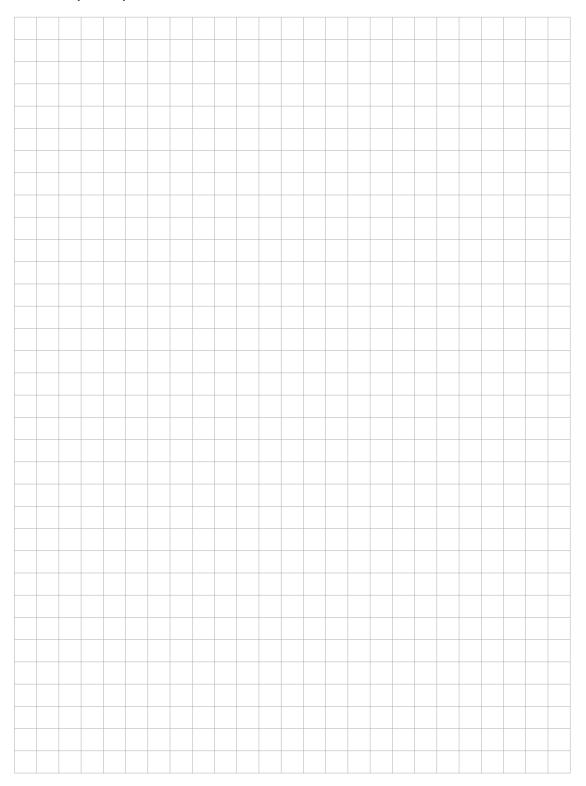
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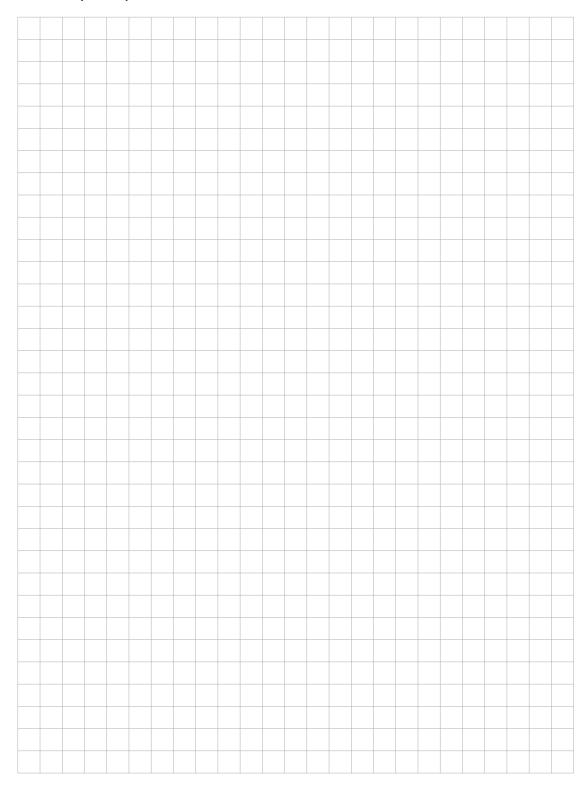
# Notes (right)



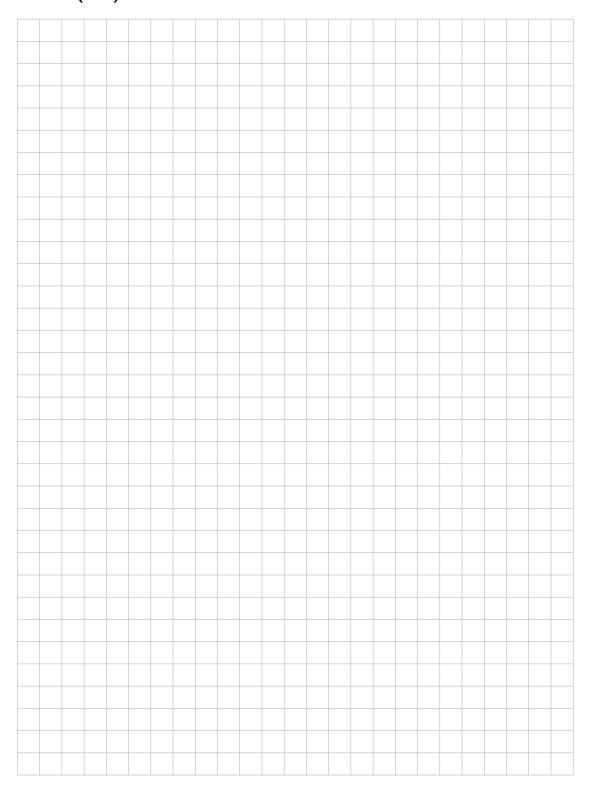
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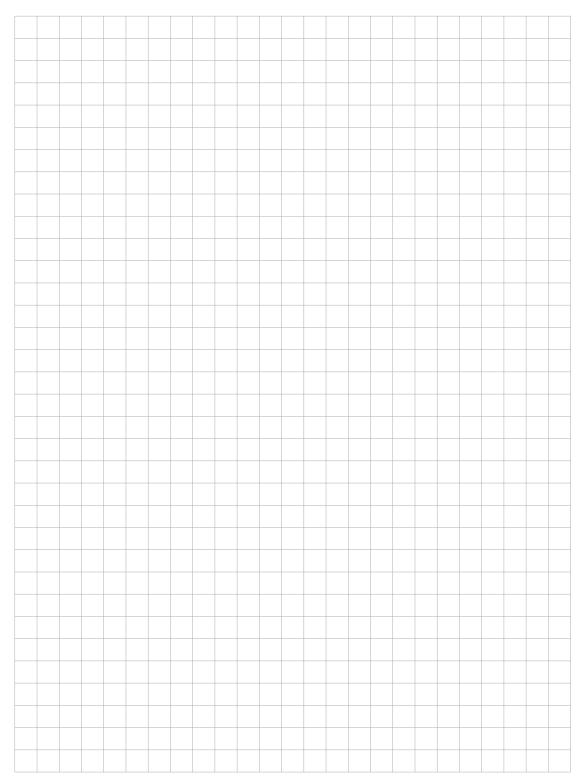
# Notes (both)



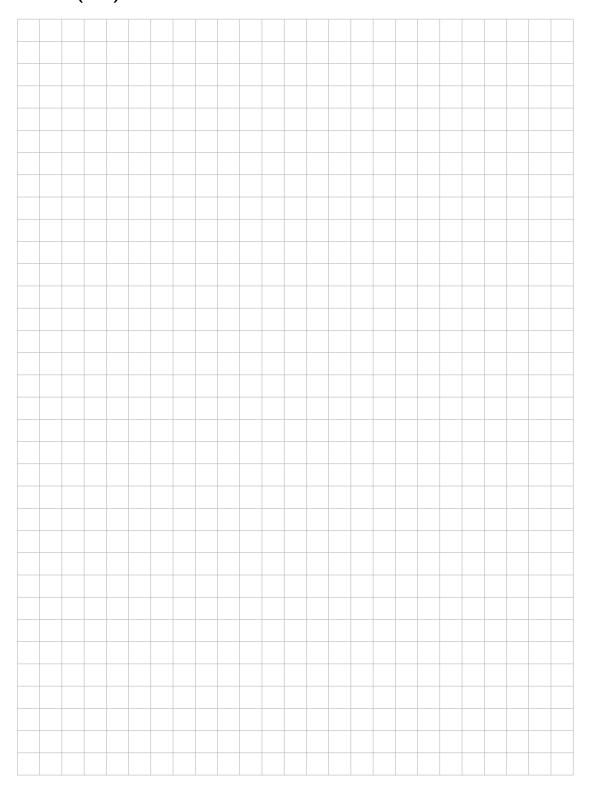
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## Notes (right)



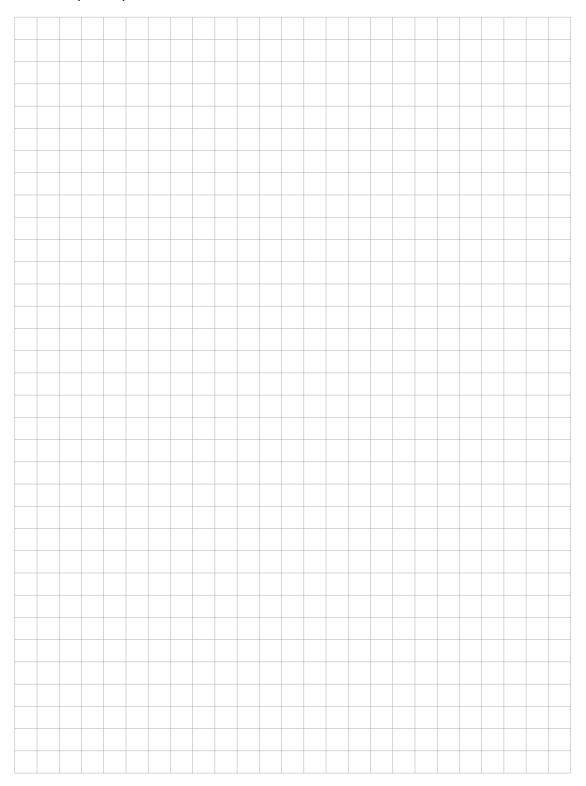
# Notes (left)



Notes (both)

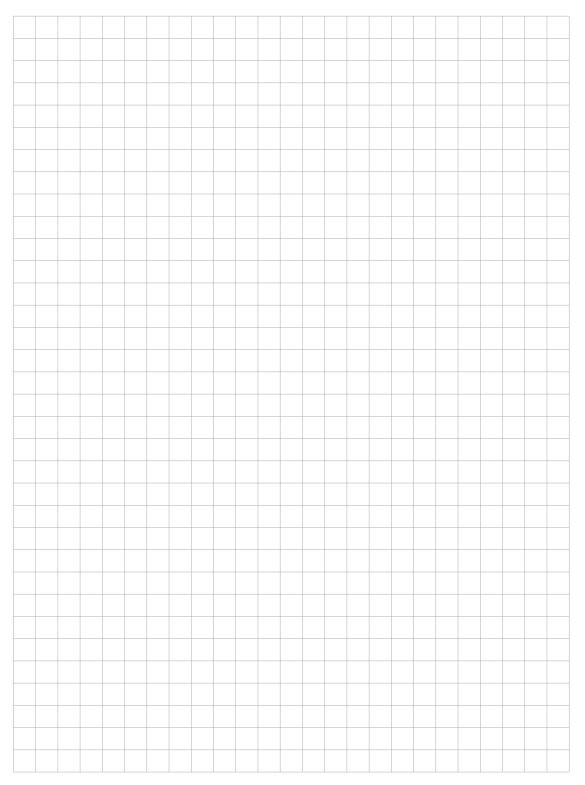
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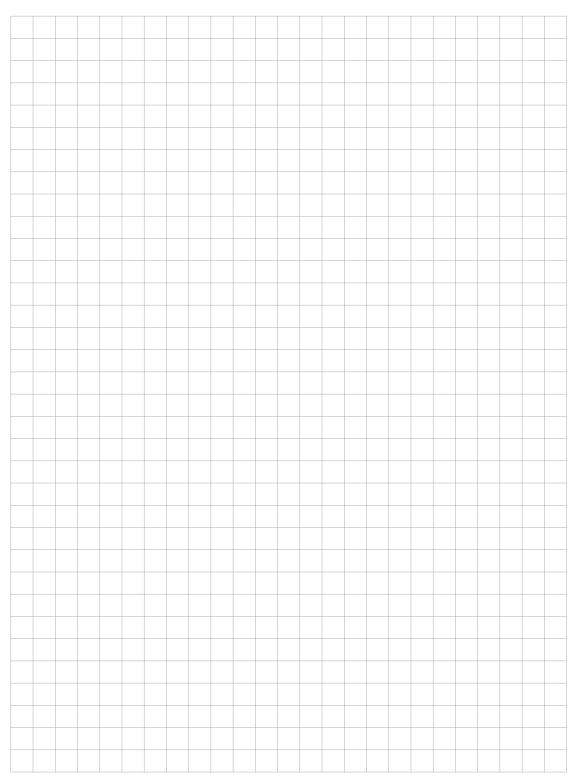


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## 1.11 The options marktext and markuppercase

The option marktext is used the set a text for the header mark. This is useful, if the title text is to long for the header. Again, if the text contains more then one word it should be given in braces, and if it contains a comma or an equality sign it must be given in braces.

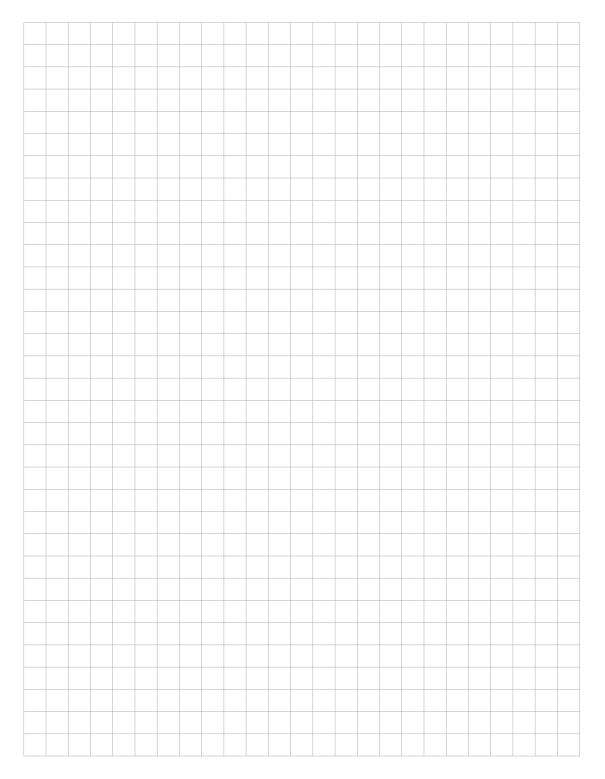
Some classes set the header marks in uppercase letters. To do this for the header marks of a notes page, the option markuppercase exists. It is set automatically for the standard classes, the KOMA-Script classes and memoir. For other classes, the default is false. The setting can be changed with this option, as shown in the next example.

The command is:

```
\notespage[marktext=Scribbel,markuppercase,titlestyle=text,
    titletext={This is a very long text for a scribble page. And it
    doesn't just end after one sentence, so it is realy too long for
    the header.}]
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# 2 Controlling the number of notes pages

### 2.1 The options multiple, minpages, and endpages

The way to set these options is to think as follows: the number of pages must be a multiple of d, at least m notes pages are needed, and at the end e pages are needed for other purposes. Then just set multiple = d, minpages = m, and endpages = e.

As an example, lets assume the number of pages should be a multiple of 4, at least one notes page should appear and one page is needed after the notes pages. The options for this are multiple=4,minpages=1,endpages=1 (multiple could be omitted, because 4 is the default value).

Now this is page 57, therefore three pages are needed to fill the document to a multiple of 4. But there should be one page at the end for other stuff. So only two pages will be inserted to fulfill endpages=1. Since there are already two notes pages, minpages=1 is fulfilled.

If this would have been page 55, there would be 4 notes pages. Page 56 would be a notes page to fulfill minpages=1, which would also fulfill multiple=4 but violate endpages=1. Because of that, three additional notes pages would be inserted, so all three conditions are met.

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Here we are on page 60, the page for other purposes (like for example contact information on the back of a manual).

With minpages=0 nothing would change here. And with endpages=0 this page would be a notes page too.

Besides the maximum and minimum values for the options, there are no limits on the values and there are no dependencies between them. For example, endpages may be greater than multiple.

### 2.2 Other examples

Since this is page 60 and it's a multiple of 4, a \notespages here with the default setting (multiple=4,minpages=0,endpages=0) will do nothing. Let's try it:

Look into the source of this file, there is a \notespages command between this paragraph and the former one.

Inserting an exact number n of notes pages can be done with multiple=1,minpages=n. Here any value for endpages would have no effect.

# 3 Controlling notes fills

## 3.1 The option fillminspace and fillmaxspace

The length given to fillminspace is only used to decide, if a notes fill should appear on a page, while fillmaxspace only limits its height. They are independent from each other. so it's possible to set fillminspace to a value greater than fillmaxspace. For example,

\notesfill[fillmaxspace=0.4\textheight,fillminspace=0.5\textheight]

will insert a notes fill on this page, but not on the next one. But

\notesfill[fillmaxspace=0.4\textheight,fillminspace=0.2\textheight]

will insert a notes fill on the page after that, allthough it has the same amount of text.

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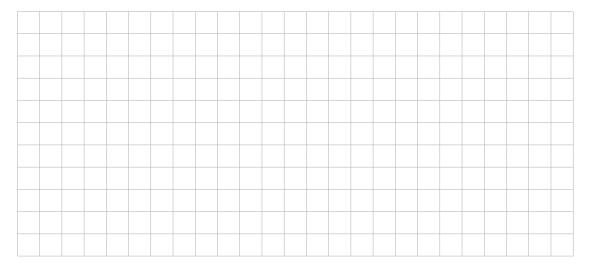
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#### **Notes**



### 3.2 The options filltopskip

The option filltopskip is used to get a minimum distance between the text and the notes fill. In order to show its effect the titlestyle is changed *text*. The commands are

\notesfill[titlestyle=text]
\notesfill[titlestyle=text,filltopskip=2ex]

Just compare this page to the next one.

#### Fill it

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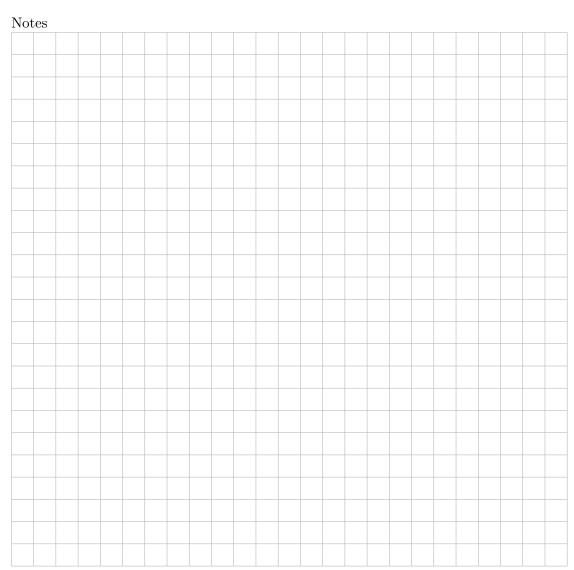
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The different space between the notes title and the nots area here is due to the fact, that only full vertical parts are drawn.

#### Fill it

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## 3.3 The option filltopfill

As can be seen on page 61, the notes fill is moved to the bottom of the page. This is due to the fact, that by default filltopfill is set to *true*. With the command

\notesfill[fillmaxspace=0.4\textheight,filltopfill=false]

the notes fill is not moved down, as can be seen here.

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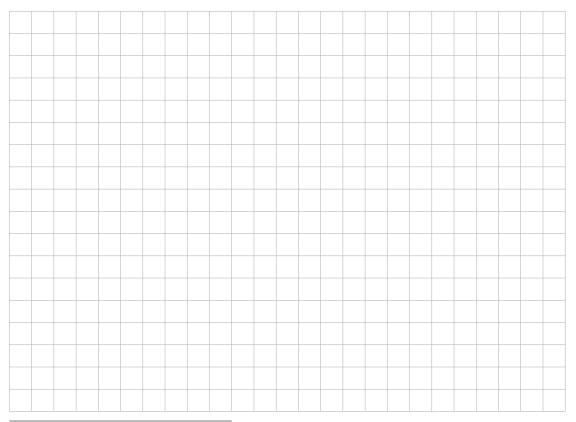


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## 3.4 The restriction regarding notesfill

As mentioned in the manual, footnotes and bottom floats will appear below the notes fill, as shown here.<sup>1</sup> But at least, it has the right height.

## **Notes**



 $<sup>^1{\</sup>rm Unfortunately},$  this is not easy to fix.



Figure 3.1: Again, a rectangle



## 4 Advanced commands

### 4.1 The command \setnotespages

This command is used to change the settings globally. It takes a key value list, where all options can be used. It is possible to use the command everywhere in the document, changing the settings from the point of its appearance on. For example, instead of writing

Note, that on the next page the formatting for the titletext is used for the header too. This can be circumvented by a) also setting marktext or b) defining your own title style (see section 4.3).

At the end, the package defaults are restored, so following examles start from there.

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### **4.2** The command \definenotesoption

This command is used to define a new meta option. It is similar to \setnotespages, but instead of changing the settings, the settings are assigned to a name, which can then be used as an option for the commands of this package. With this, the last example can be realised with

Here the option default was used, in order to always keep the same appearance, even if the settings were changed with \setnotespages. And the problem with the header marks in the previous example was solved using marktext.

After its definition, the new option scribblepage can also be used in \setnotespages or another \definenotesoption.

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### 4.3 The command \definetitlestyle

With this command a new title style can be defined. The first argument is the name for the new style, which can be used as a new choice for the option titlestyle after the definition. The second argument contains the macros to format the title.

In order to get the text set with the option titletext the command \notestitletext must be used where the title should appear. But of course, it is possible to put in some text. If the indentation by \parindent is unwanted, the definition should start with \noindent. And finally, there has to be a \par at the end. That said, if a predefined command is used, which somehow uses \noindent and \par, they are no longer necessary. For example, the title styles section and text could have been defined with

```
\definetitlestyle{section}{\section*{\notestitletext}}
\definetitlestyle{text}{\noindent\notestitletext\par}
```

Btw.: existing title styles should not be redifined, as this may cause problems. Now lets define a new title style. Here is the example from the manual:

```
\definetitlestyle{boldred}{\noindent\textcolor{red}%
     {\textbf{\notestitletext}}\par}
\notesfill[scribblepage,titletext={Bold Red Note},
     titlestyle=boldred,fillminspace=0.1\textheight]
```

Here the option scribblepage from the last example was used. And then titletext and titlestyle were added, overwriting some of the settings done with scribblepage. This shows the importance of the order of options. Putting scribblepage at the end would have overwritten the other options.

Now, it is possible to put some text directly into the definition. But keep in mind, this text will not appear in the headers. Here an example:

```
\definetitlestyle{prefix}{\noindent Note on:
   \textcolor{blue}{\notestitletext}\par}
\notespage[hparts=1,vparts=1,titleskip=1ex,titletext={Title Styles},
   titlestyle=prefix]
```

**Bold Red Note** 

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### 4.4 The command \definenotestyle

The notes style provided with NotesPages are just basic ones. With this command it is possible to define your own styles, which can be quite fancy. But lets start with the simple example from the manual:

\definenotesstyle{yellow}{\color{LightYellow}%
 \rule{\textwidth}{\remainingtextheight}}
\notesfill[notesstyle=yellow]

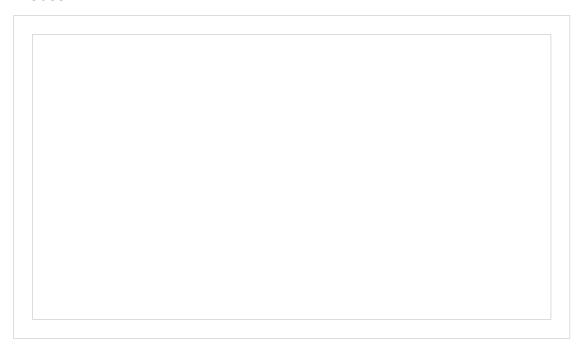
Again, the first argument is the name of the new style, which can then be used as a new choice for the option notesstyle. And the second argument contains the macros to create the notes area. Here \remainingtextheight has to be used to get the height of the notes area.

For the next example lets create a double frame around the notes area, using the LATEX picture environment:

```
\newdimen\innerwidth
\definenotesstyle{dframe}{%
    \innerwidth\textwidth\advance\innerwidth-10mm\relax
    \innerheight\remainingtextheight\advance\innerheight-10mm\relax
    \let\unitlength\relax
    \begin{picture}(\textwidth,\remainingtextheight)(0pt,0pt)
    \color{lightgray}
    \put(0pt,0pt){\framebox(\textwidth,\remainingtextheight){}}
    \put(5mm,5mm){\framebox(\innerwidth,\innerheight){}}
    \end{picture}}
\notesfill[notesstyle=dframe]
```

Here first two dimens are needed to calculate the height and width of the inner frame. These length are calculated first. Then a trick is used to make the picture environment work with lengths: \unitlength is set to \relax, thus disabling it. Caution: this requires to give the optional argument for an offset as (Opt,Opt), otherwise an error will occur. Additionally, a color for the frames is set. Since the new notes style is used within a group, disabling \unitlength and setting a color without resetting them has no repercussions outside the \notesfill.

#### **Notes**



It is also possible to use TikZ to define notes styles. Here the bounding box is used to keep the size of the picture to the exact size of the notes area. For the text \notesareatext is used, thus using the text passed to the option notestext.

```
\definenotesstyle{slash}{%
  \begin{tikzpicture}[color=gray!25]
  \useasboundingbox (0,0) rectangle (\textwidth,\remainingtextheight);
  \clip (0,0) rectangle (\textwidth,\remainingtextheight);
  \draw[line width=2cm]
  (0,0) to node[color=black,sloped]{\textsf{\notesareatext}}
  (\textwidth,\remainingtextheight);
  \end{tikzpicture}}
\notesfill[notesstyle=slash]
```

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Here is another example using TikZ. It defines a mm graph paper, which always has a whole number of cm in both direction and is centered in the notes area.

```
\newdimen\xoffset
\newdimen\yoffset
\definenotesstyle{mmgp}{%
  \begin{tikzpicture}[color=gray!25]
  \pgfmathsetlength{\xoffset}{
    (\textwidth-(floor(\textwidth/1cm+0.01)*1cm))/2}
  \pgfmathsetlength{\yoffset}{
    (\remainingtextheight-(floor(\remainingtextheight/1cm+0.01)*1cm))/2}
  \useasboundingbox (0,0) rectangle (\textwidth,\remainingtextheight);
  \draw[xshift=\xoffset,yshift=\yoffset,very thin]
    (0,0) grid [step=1mm]
    (\textwidth-2\xoffset,\remainingtextheight-2\yoffset);
  \draw[xshift=\xoffset,yshift=\yoffset,line width=0.5pt]
    (0,0) grid [step=5mm]
    (\textwidth-2\xoffset,\remainingtextheight-2\yoffset);
  \draw[xshift=\xoffset,yshift=\yoffset,thick]
    (0,0) grid [step=1cm]
    (\textwidth-2\xoffset,\remainingtextheight-2\yoffset);
  \end{tikzpicture}}
\notesfill[notesstyle=mmgp]
```

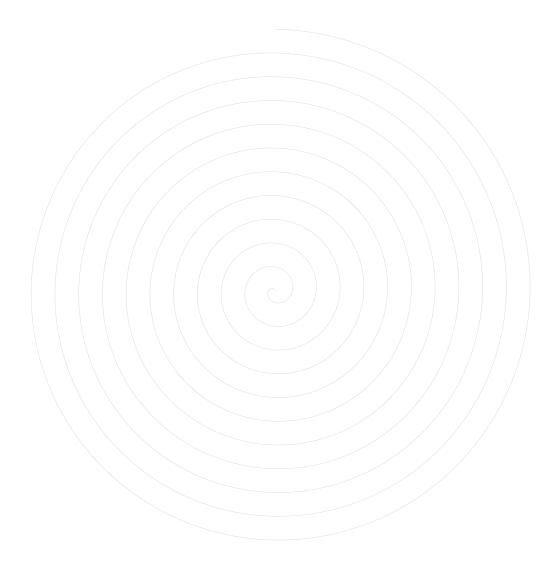
### **Notes**

The next example is just for showing the effect of the option titlenotesfill. It is not realy useful (unless you want to torture your readers for scribbling in your painfully worded masterpiece by making them write in circles). Here the bounding box is set to a square.

Caution: since the height is fixed, this notes style is not realy suitable for a notes fill. If it doesn't fit on the page, it will be moved to the next.

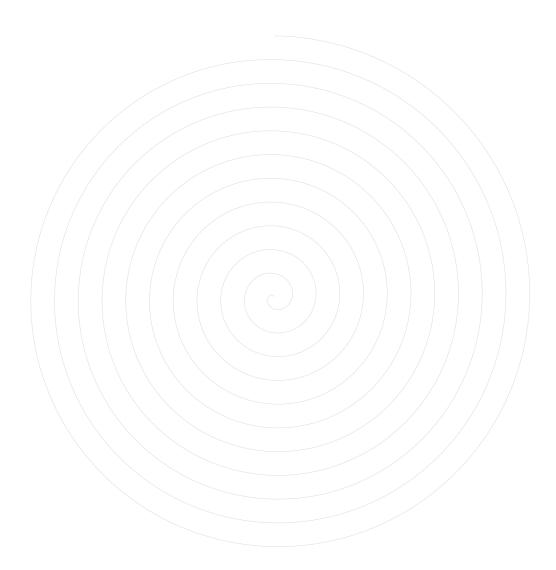
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## Write in Circles



Write in Circles Write in Circles

## Write in Circles



### 4.5 The command \nppatchchapter

Page 68 (among others) would be empty here, if a book class is used. This is, because a new chapter normally starts on a right hand page and so a left hand page may be left empty. To put a notes page there, one could manually add a line like

```
\notespages[vacant,multiple=2,
  notestext={An empty page before a new chapter.}]
```

before every new chapter. But with \nppatchchapter this can be automated. It changes \chapter so it behaves like

```
\notespages[...]
\chapter
```

The optional argument for \notespages is the argument passed to \nppatchchapter. And the new \chapter can just be used like the original one.

In the preamble of this document the lines

```
\nppatchchapter{default, vacant, multiple=2,
  notestext={An empty page before a new chapter.}}
```

were added to make the empty pages before a new chapter into a notes pages. The option default asures, that no changes of the settings (this includes packages options and settings done with \setnotespages) will change their appearance. And with multiple=2 there will be no more then one notes page before a new chapter instead of up to three with the default value of 4.

The command \nppatchchapter can be used multiple times in a document, enabling the user to change the appearance of a notes page before a new chapter. The command is:

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Another notes page automatically inserted before a new chapter.

# 5 Colors and Languages

### 5.1 Colors

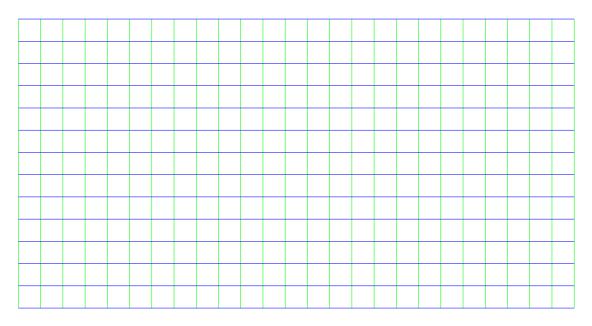
The NotesPages package uses three colors.

- NotesHColor for horizontal lines in the notes styles *lines* and *grid*,
- NotesVColor for vertical lines in the notes styles vlines and grid, and
- NotesTextColor for the text in the notes style *text*.

Colors can be redefined, so it's possible to change them at any time. To make the changes local, they are put in a group here.

```
{\definecolor{NotesHColor}{rgb}{0,0,1}
\definecolor{NotesVColor}{rgb}{0,1,0}
\definecolor{NotesTextColor}{rgb}{1,0,0}
\notesfill
\notespage[notestyle=text]}
```

### **Notes**



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### 5.2 Languages

So far, only English, French, and German are supported. Up unitl now English was used in this document. Here are examples for the other ones.

```
\selectlanguage{french}
\notespage[notesstyle=text]
\selectlanguage{ngerman}
\notespage[notesstyle=text]
\selectlanguage{english}
```

New languages will be supported, as users provide the translations. But naturally, this will take some time. So if your language is not supported yet and you can't wait, you can add the following to the preamble of your document (of course with the correct translations):

```
\setnotespages{titletext={No Clue},
  notestext={No clue what this is in your language.}}
```

This is sufficient for documents in one language. But caution, using the option default will reset these texts. That can be solved by redefining \npnotesname and \npnotestext instead. For multilingual documents you can add for example

```
\addto{\extrasitalian}{\def\npnotesname{No Clue}%
  \def\npnotestext{No clue what this is in Italian.}}
```

to the preamble (again, for your language and with the correct translations). After that you can use

```
\selectlanguage{italian}
\notespage[notesstyle=text]
```

to get a notes page in the new language.

### Notes

Cette page est laissée intentionnellement vide.

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## Notizen

Diese Seite wurde absichtlich leer gelassen.

No Clue

## No Clue

No clue what this is in Italian.

## 6 Other Stuff

### 6.1 The Package afterpage

NotesPages can be used with the package afterpage. This makes it possible to put a notes page on the next page without leaving the page it was invoked half empty. So here the line

\afterpage{\notespage[titletext={Notes on \textsl{afterpage}},
 marktext=Notes]}

is inserted to get a notes page on the next page, without wasting the remaining space on this one (look into the source, here it comes):

Ok, lets fill this page, so the effect of the example can be seen. You could also start a new section here.

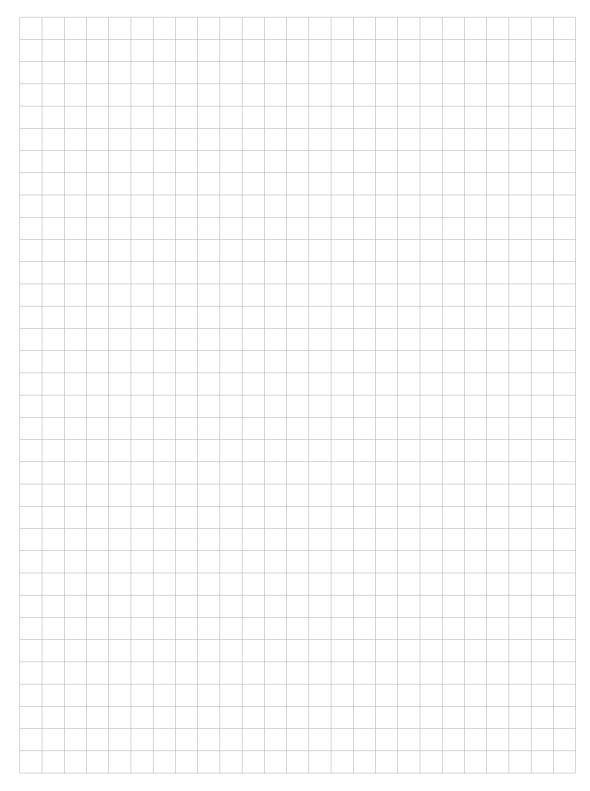
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### 6.2 The command \npunpatchchapter

With \npunpatchchapter the original meaning of \chapter can be restored. After that, there may be the usual empty before a new chapter, as can be seen on the next page. The command:

\npunpatchchapter

## 7 The End

Now this is the end of this example file. But I just can't resist to add one more example:

\notespages[multiple=100,minpages=100,endpages=1]

See you on page 200.

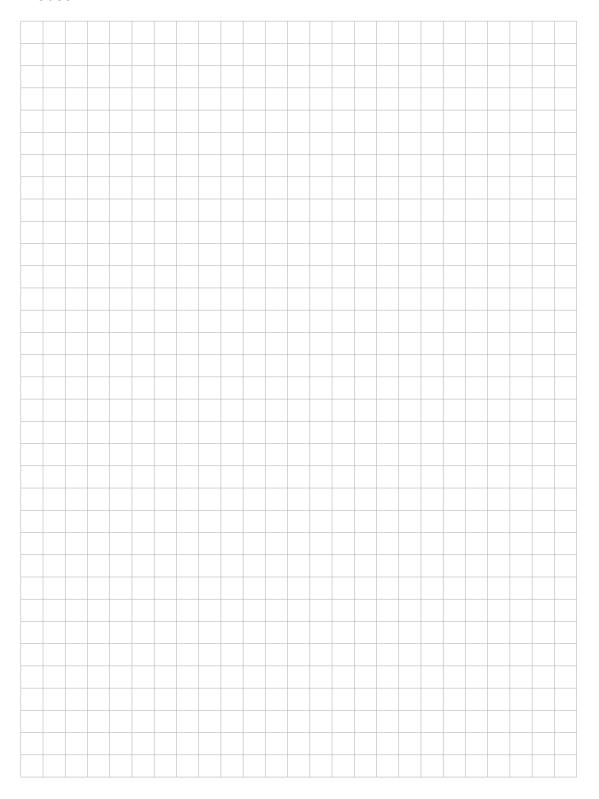
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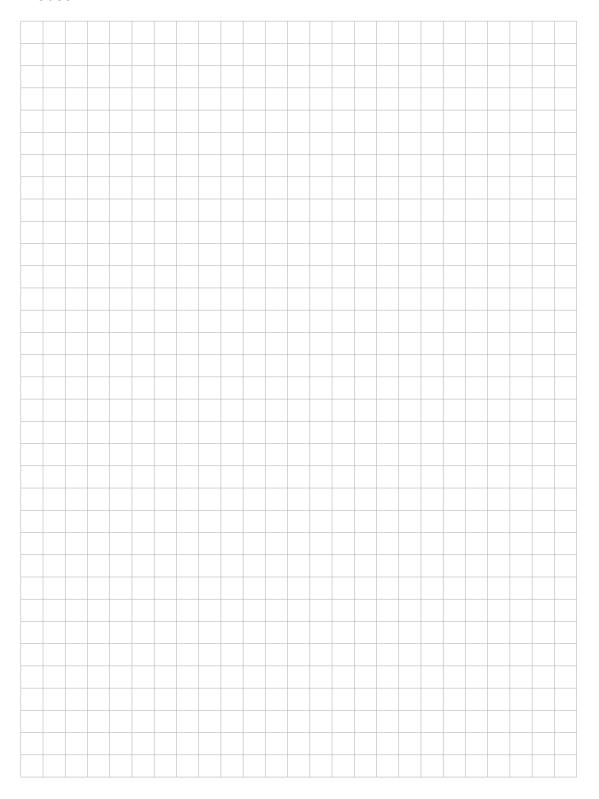
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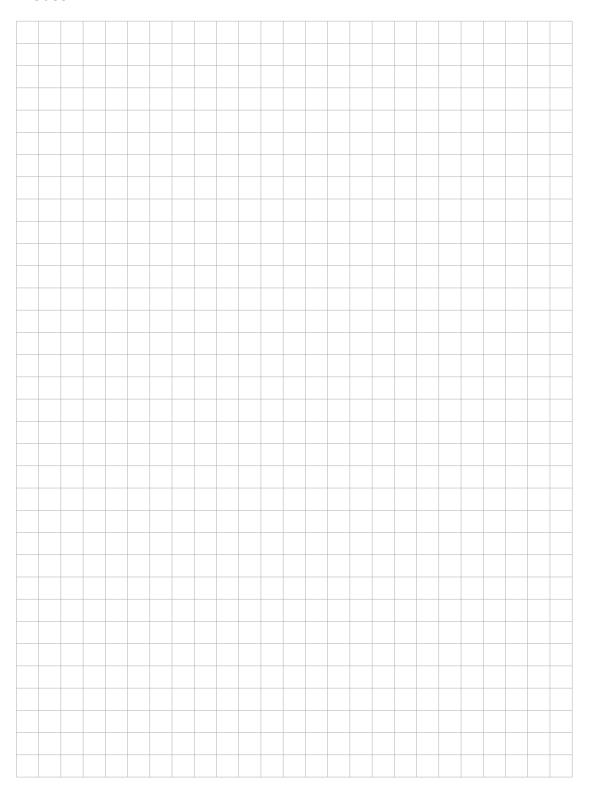


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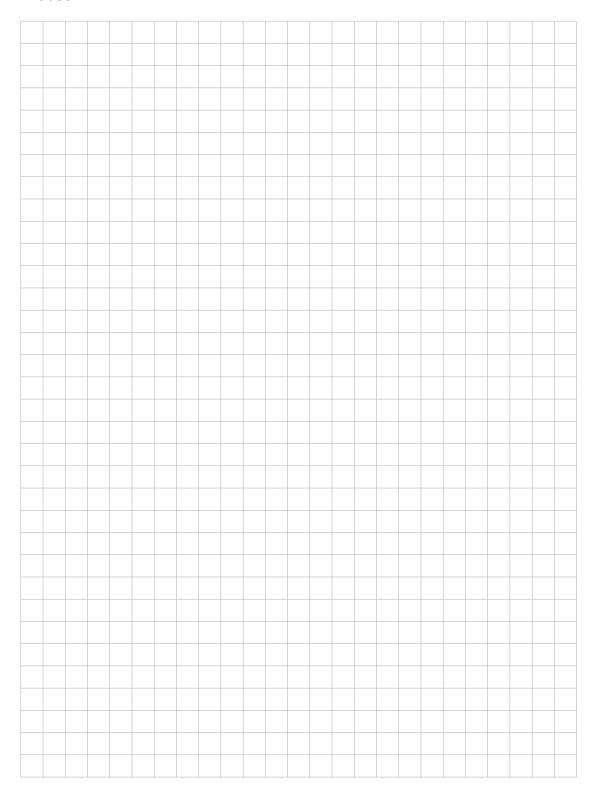


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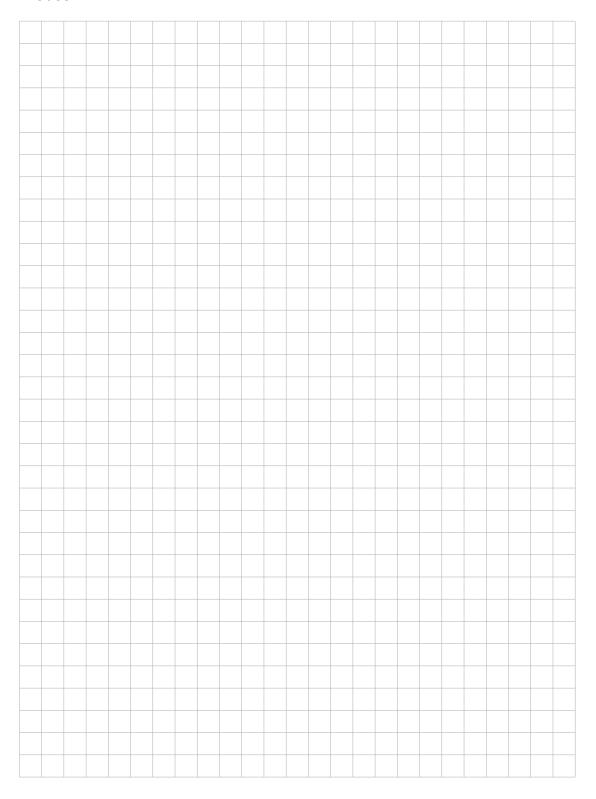
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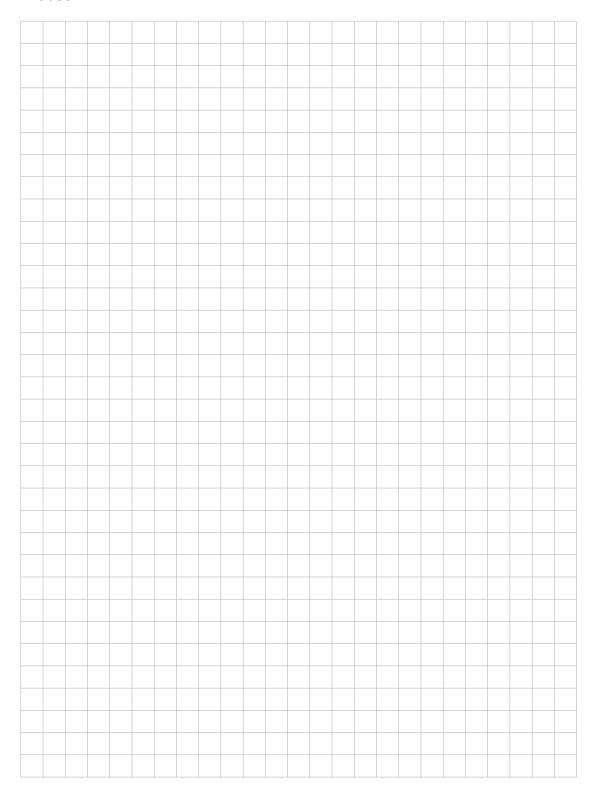
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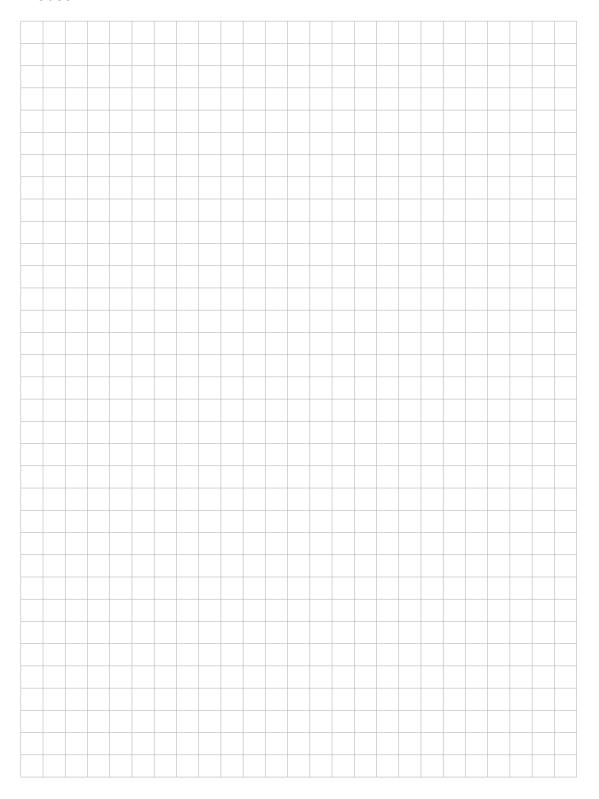


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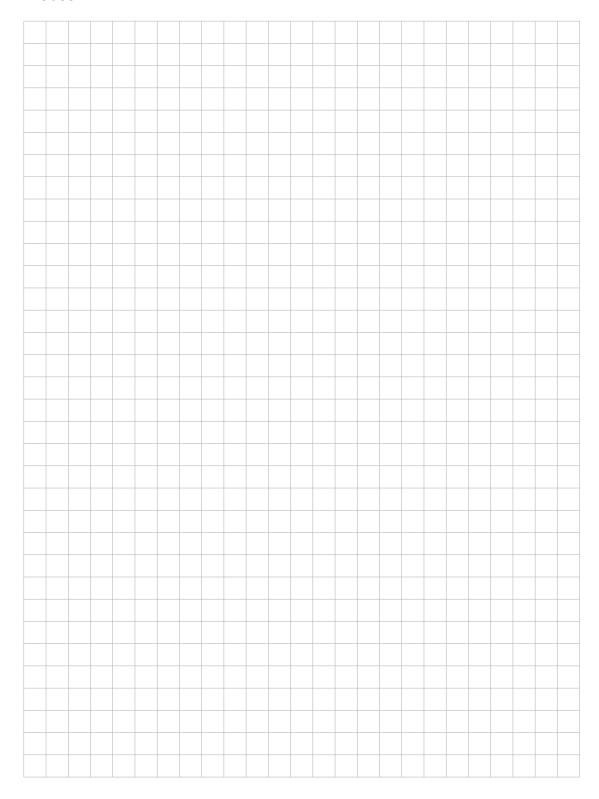


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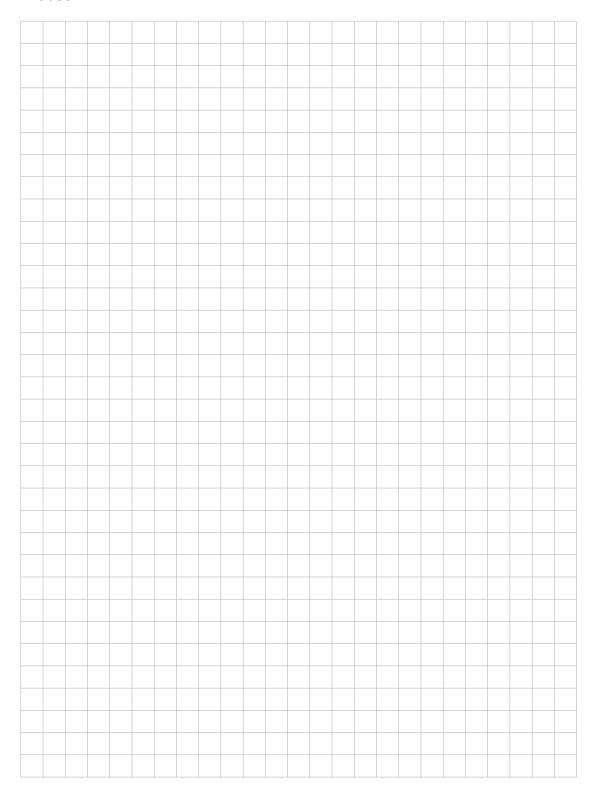
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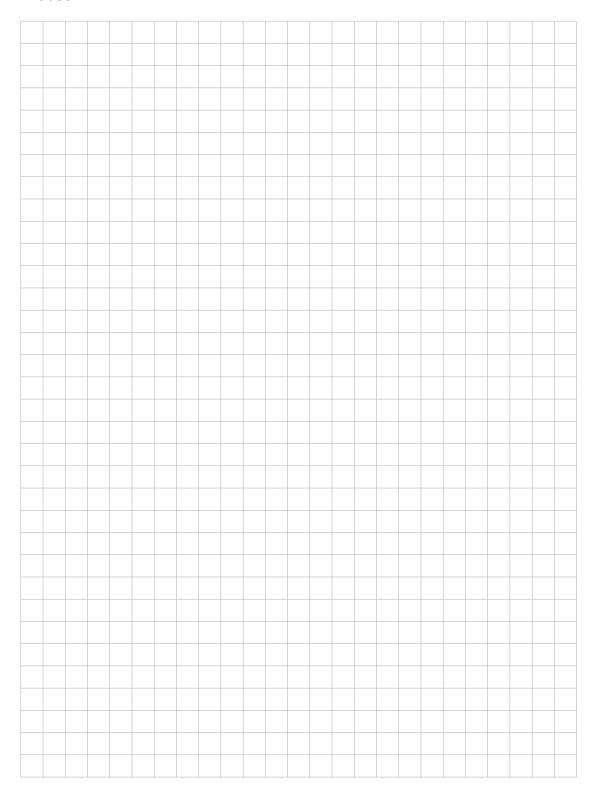
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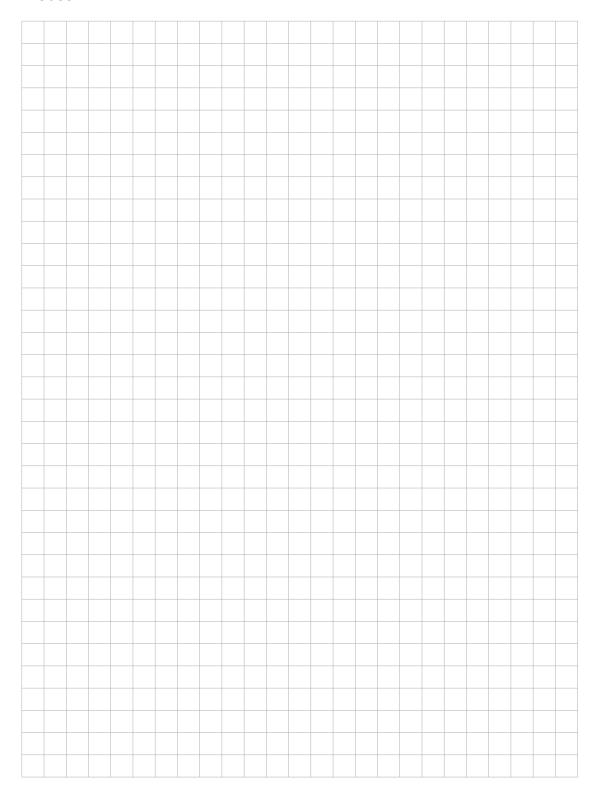
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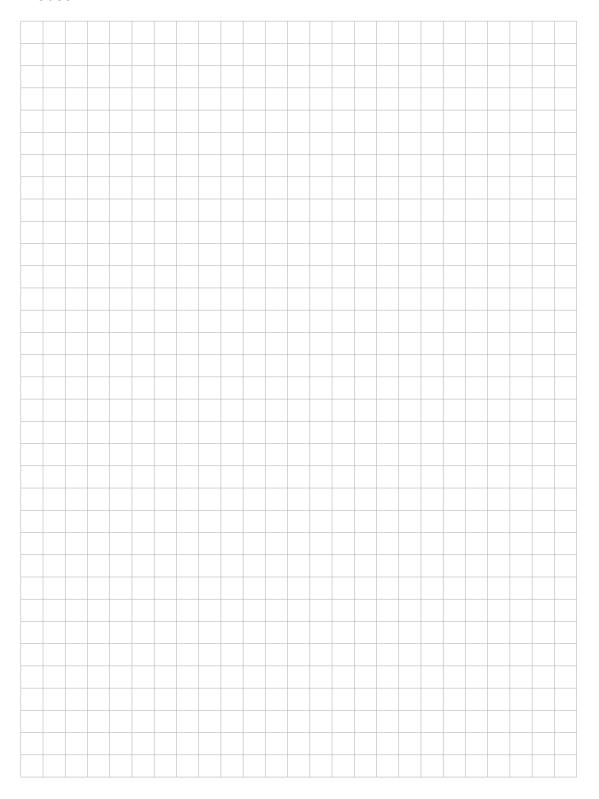
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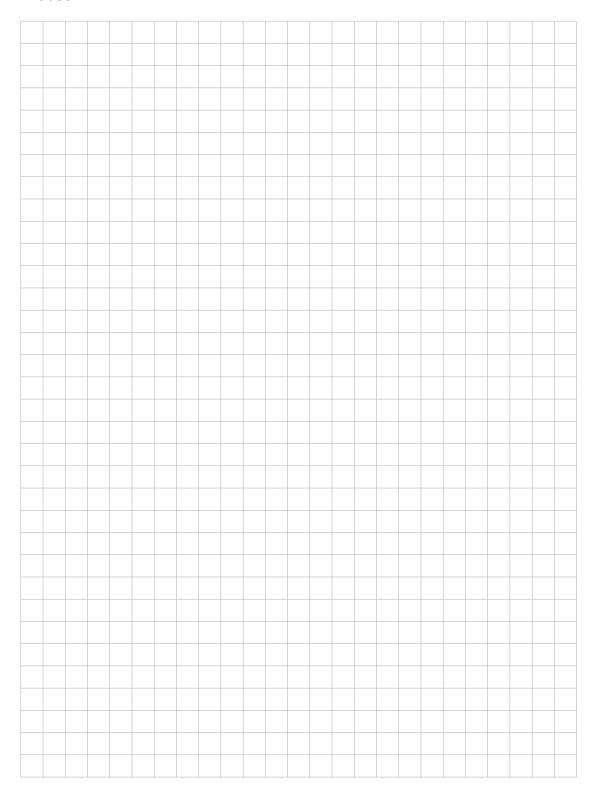
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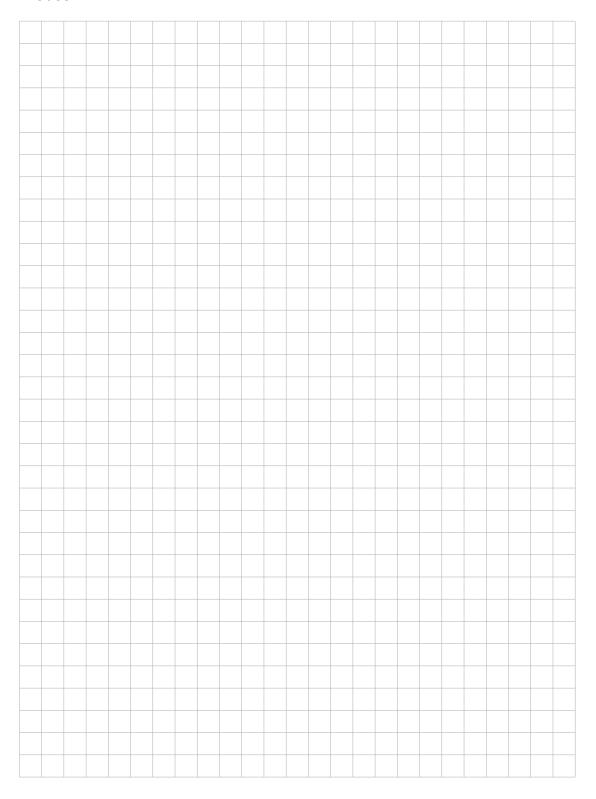
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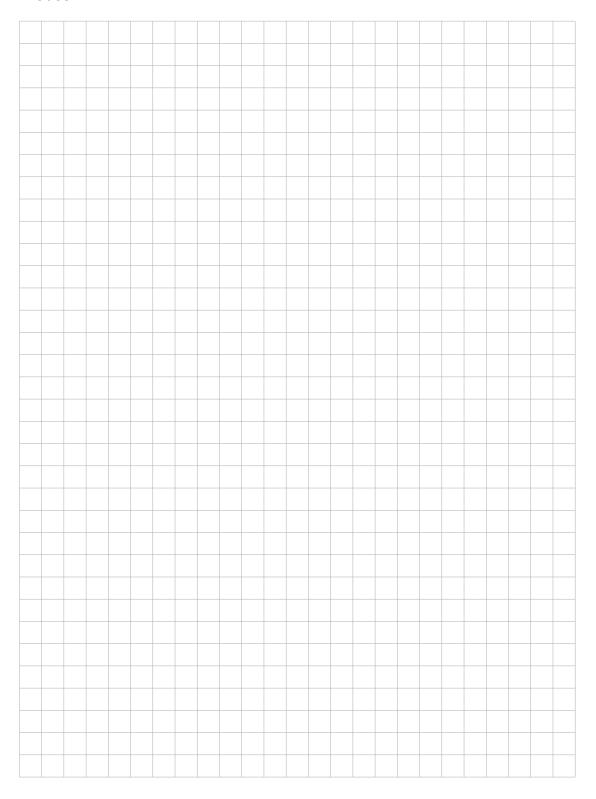
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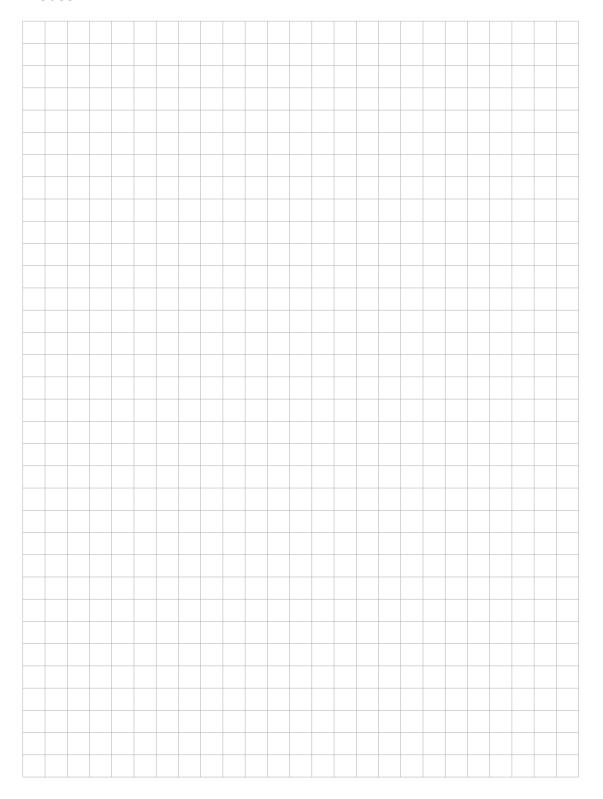


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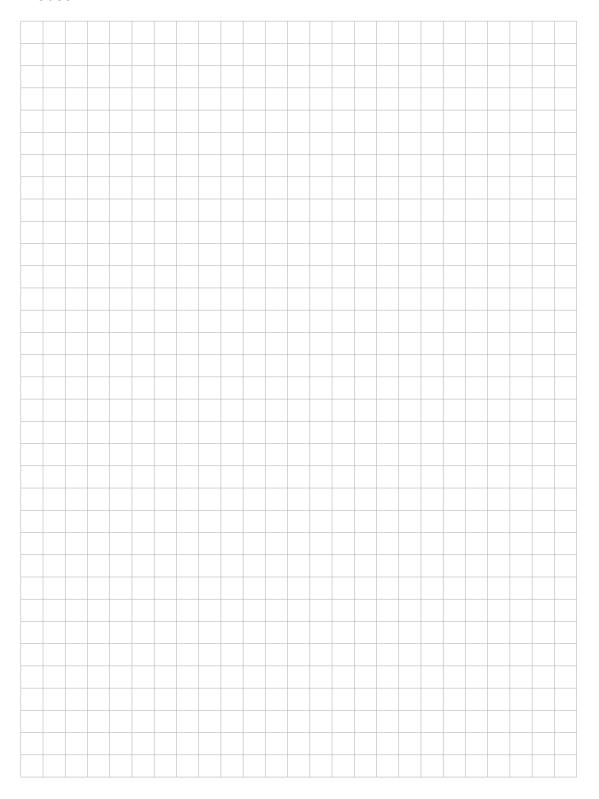
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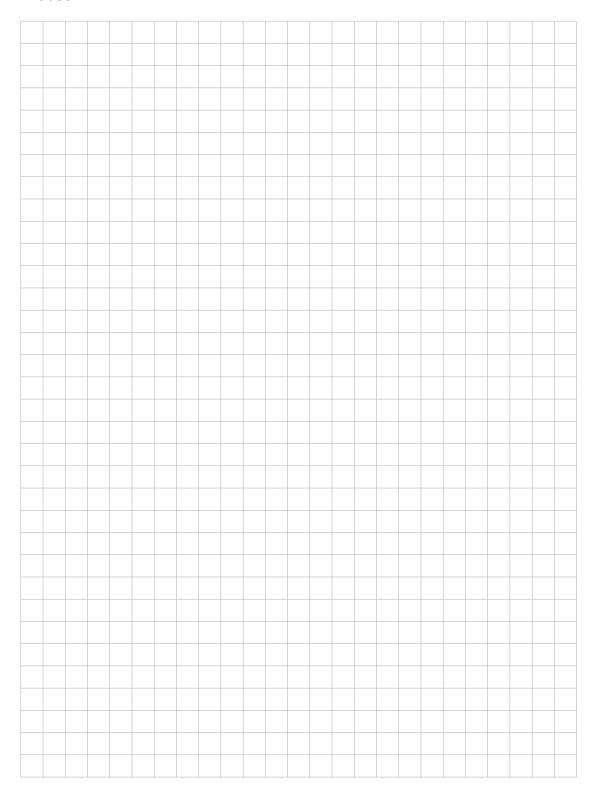
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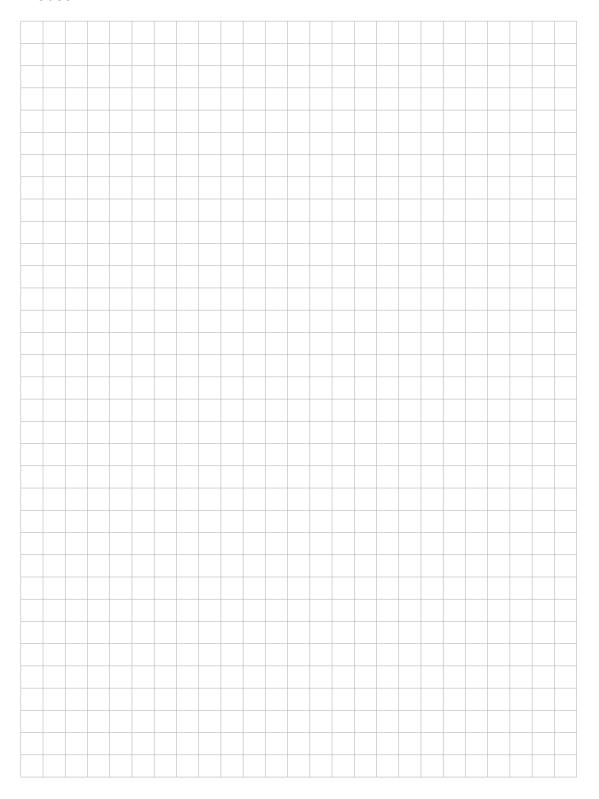


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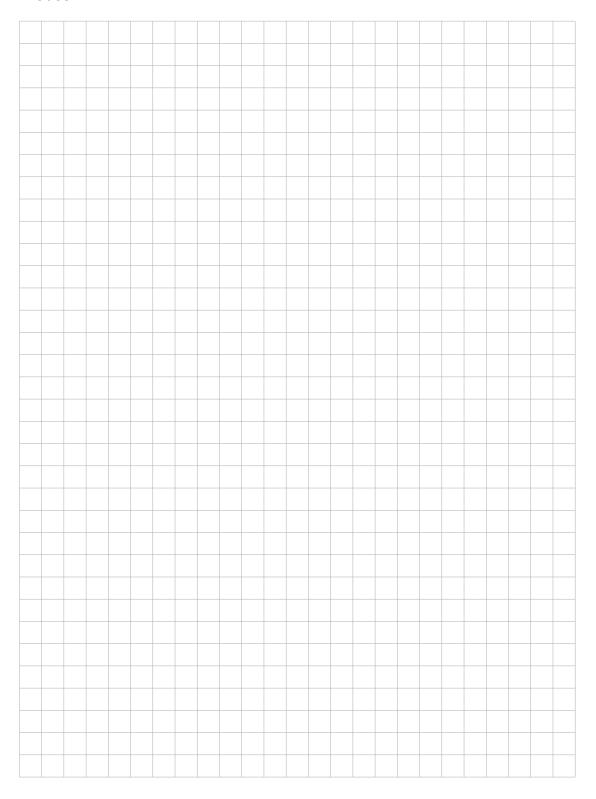
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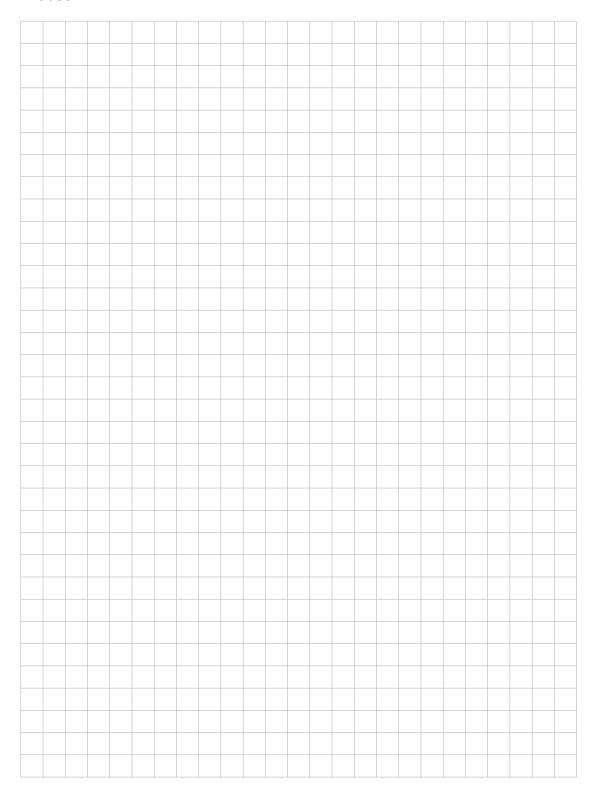
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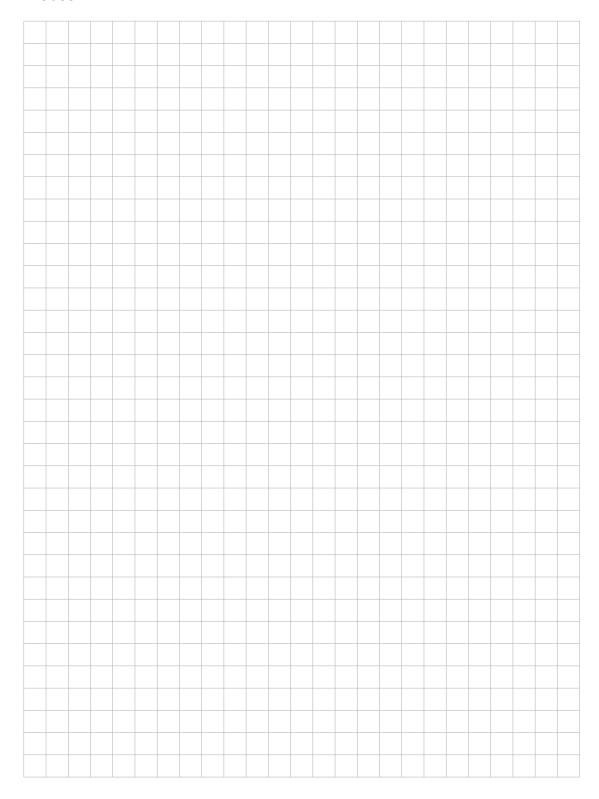
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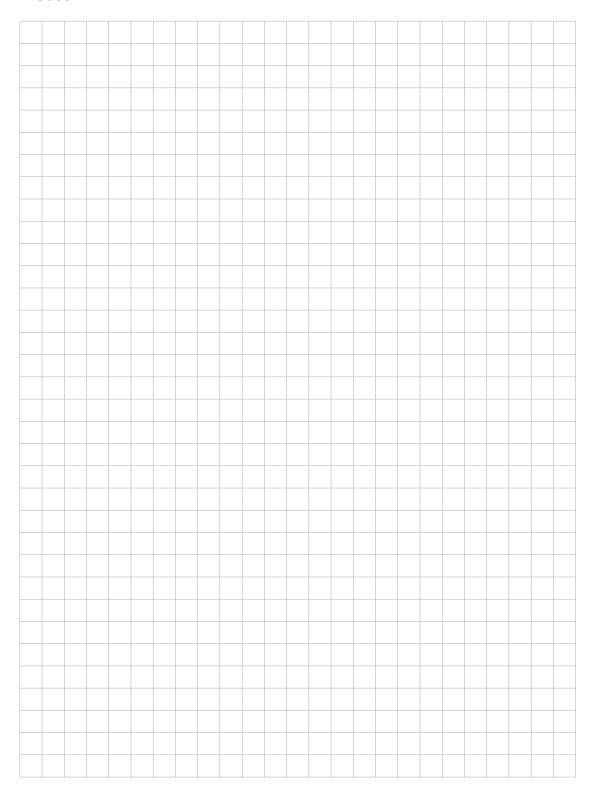
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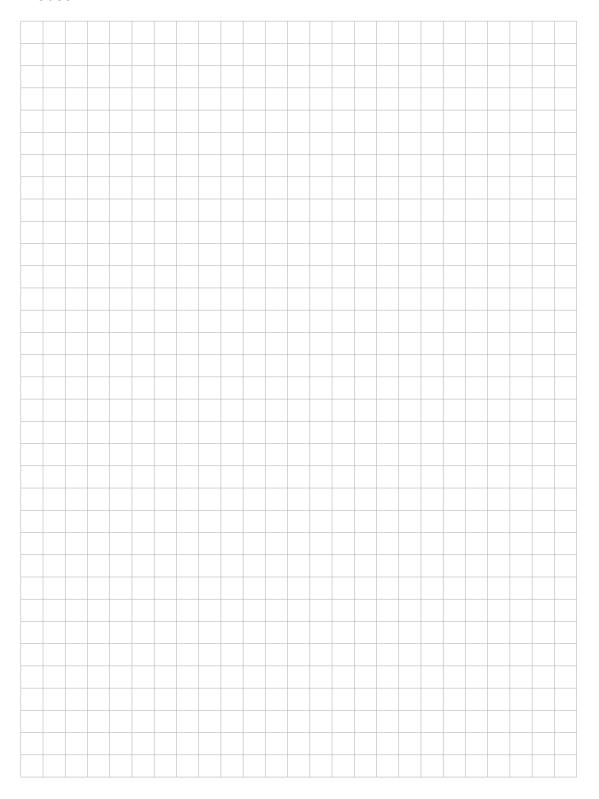
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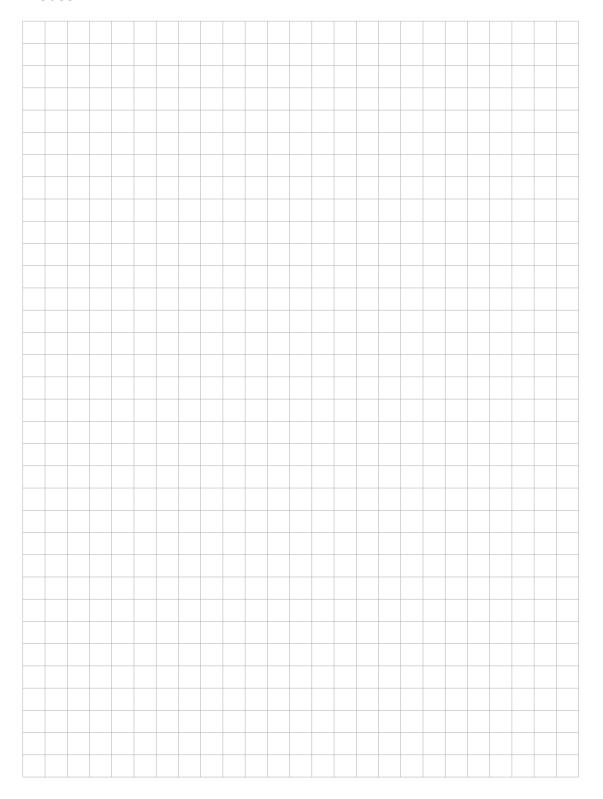
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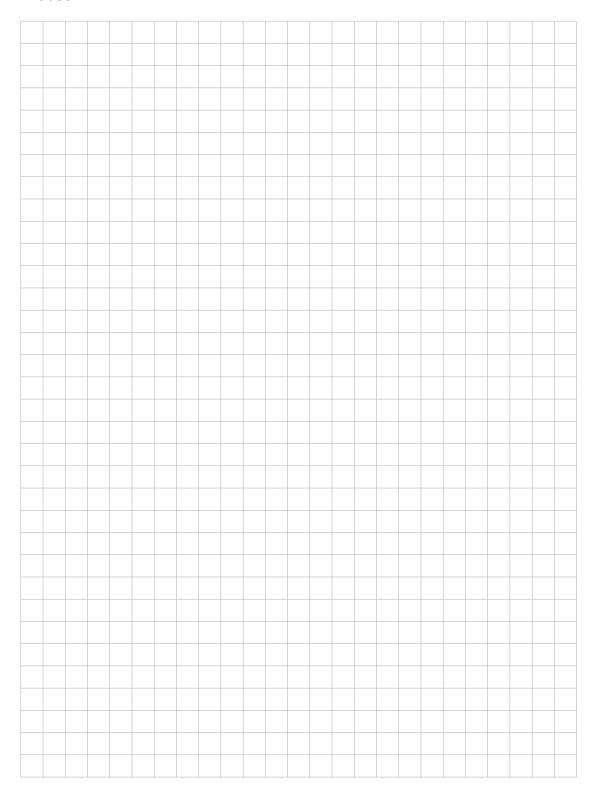
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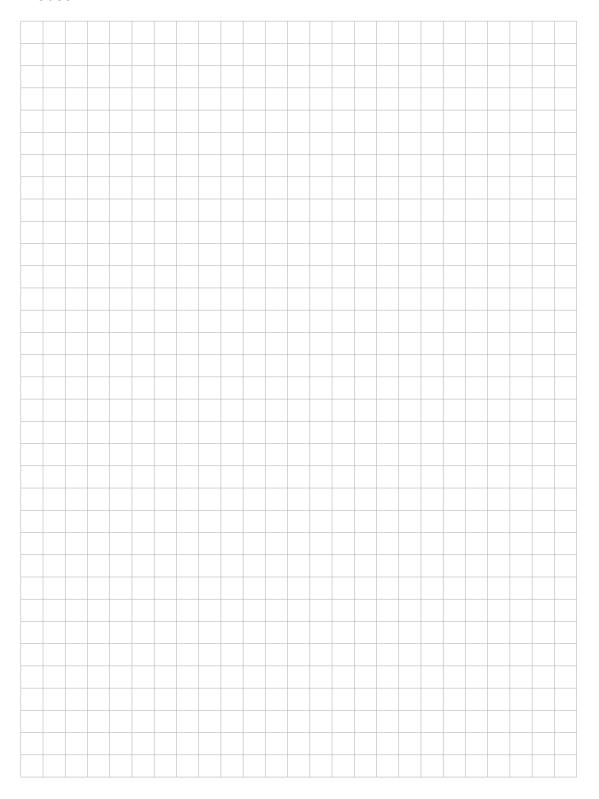
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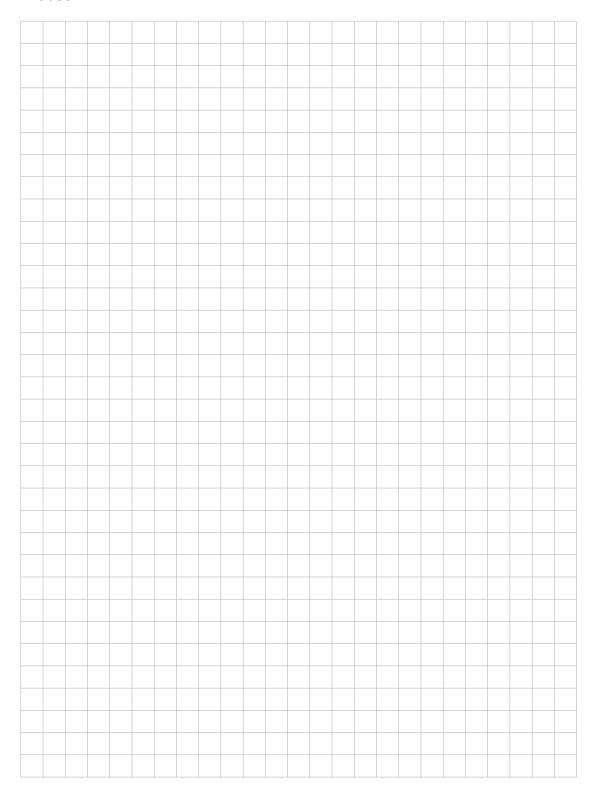
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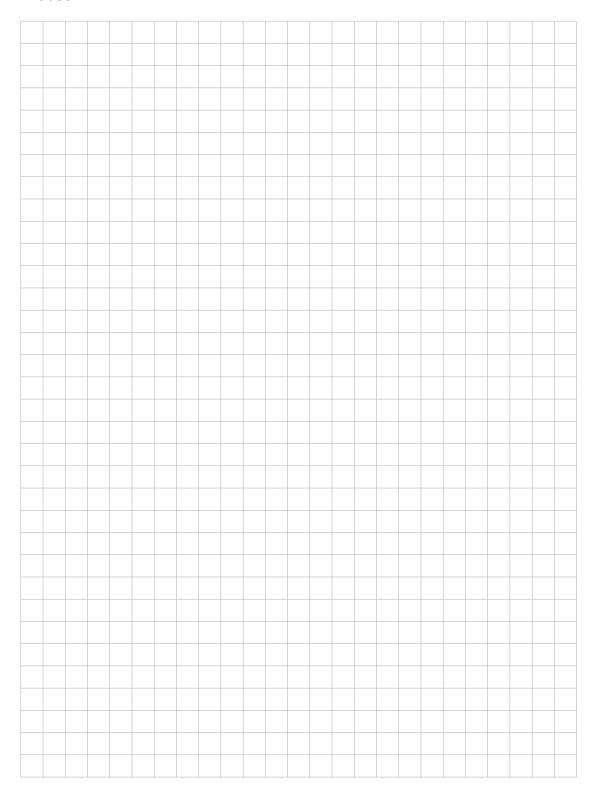
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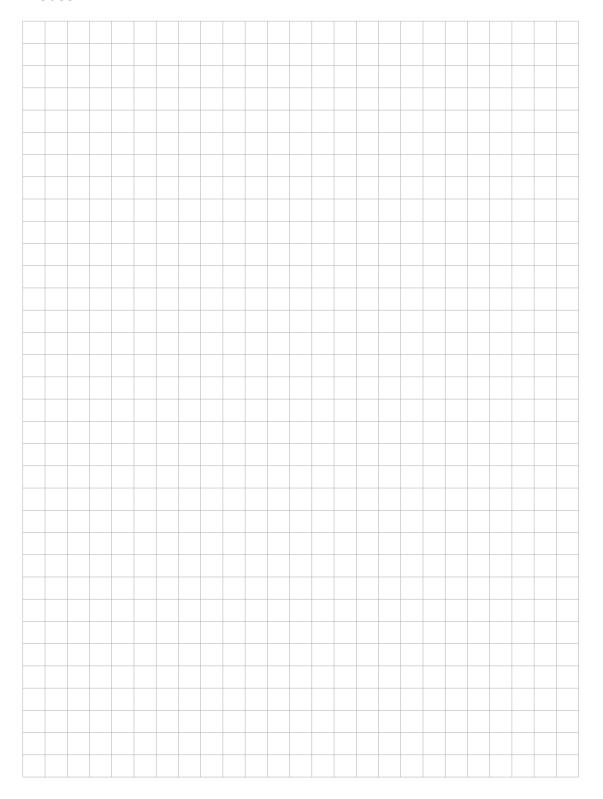
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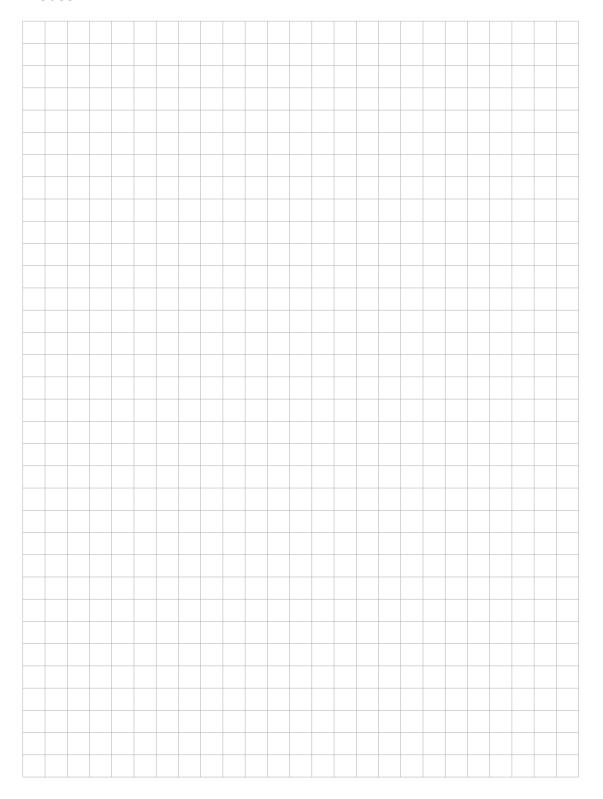
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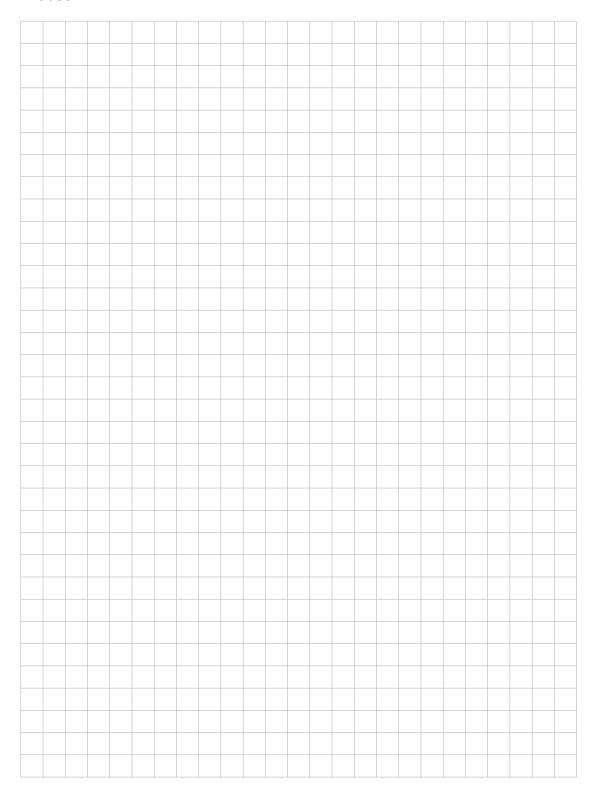
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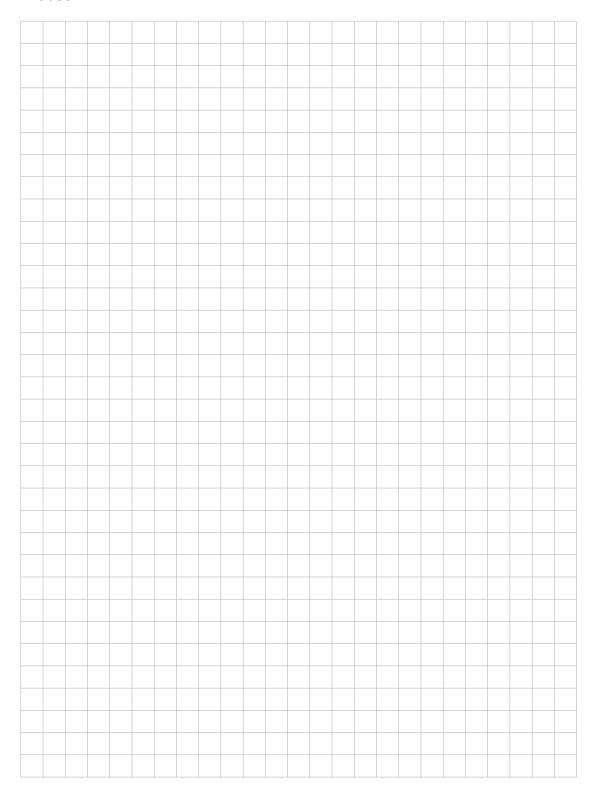


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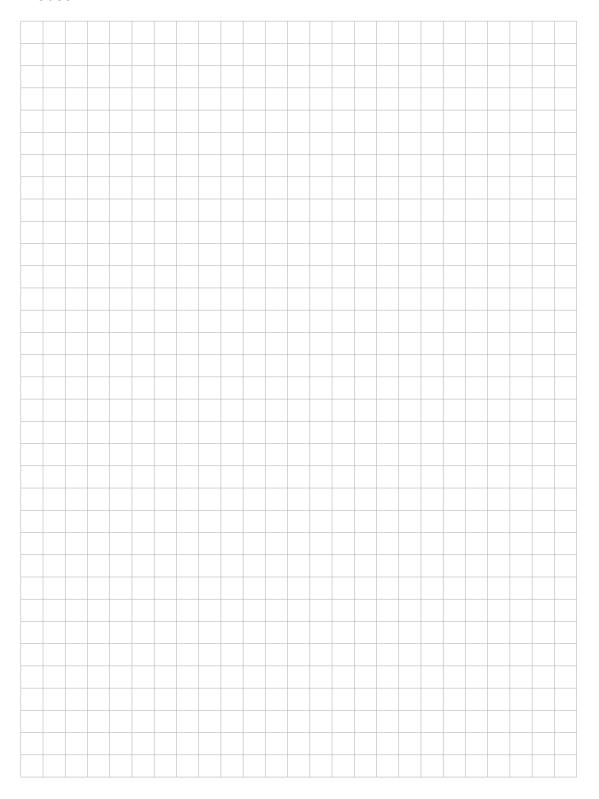
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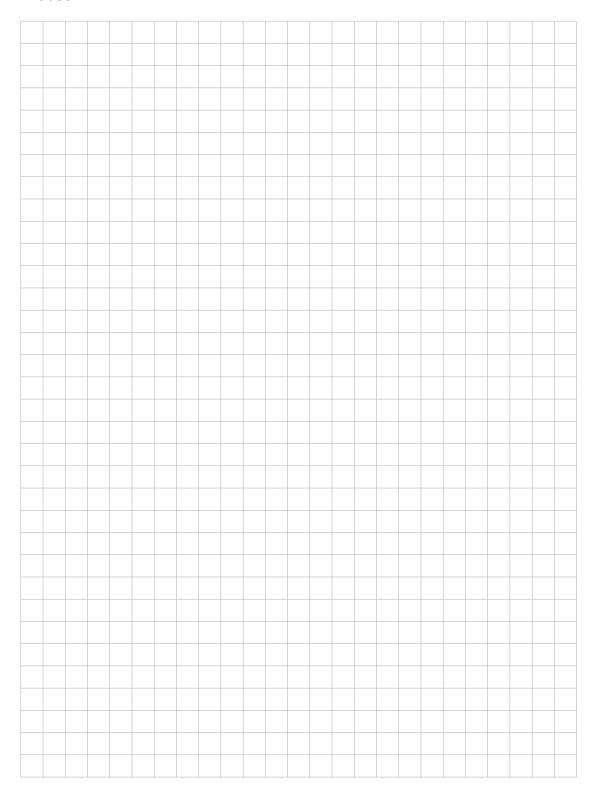
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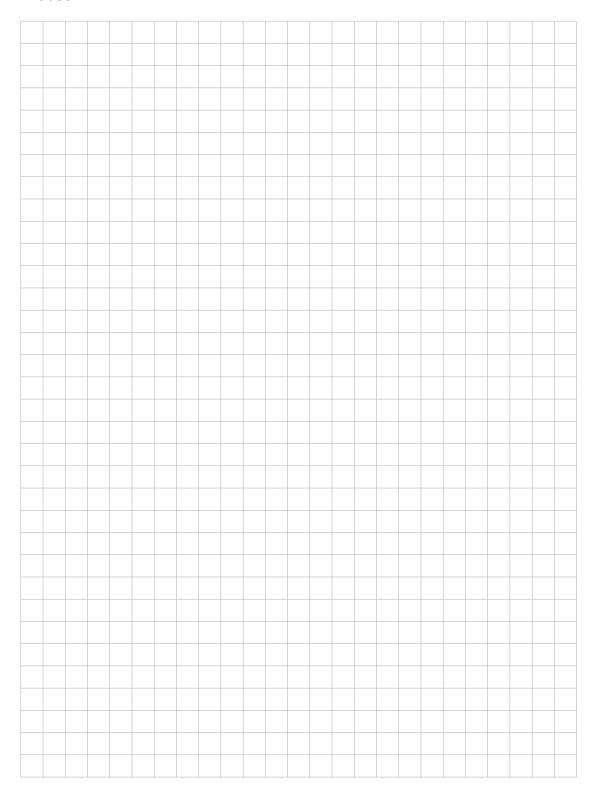
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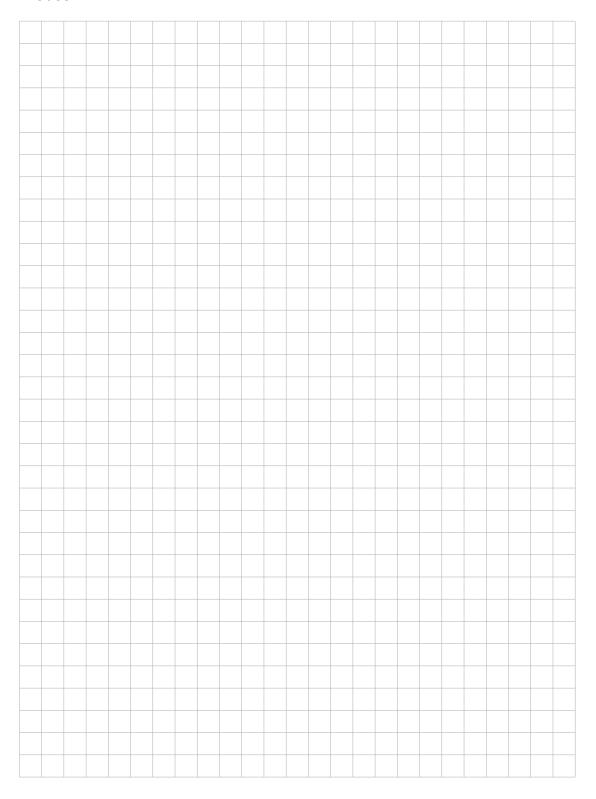
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