

SIMPLIFYING MATERIAL DESIGN RAMP WITH ROBOTO!

ROBOTO DELTA.VF

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The existing Material Design ramp is recreated using RoboExtremo.vf, the stylistically extended version of Roboto containing a smooth range styles covering the same locations as the original Roboto TrueType styles of the family. These original styles were determined to be good for size 14, and around that was added an optical size axis, (opsz), and a broader range of weights and widths.

This includes making the appearance of weights transition more smoothly over a range of sizes, without the need to change styles. So, all the sizes of this ramp are the regular weight, (400), and the regular width (100).

In addition, the use of the optical size axis reduces the need to negative track larger sizes, as tighter spacing is built in, and users will not notice a significant difference given the lengths of text at larger sizes. The only tracking done here is for the user's benefit, where plus tracking was transferred from the original ramp to the two "Body" sizes, where the untracked Extremo are best suited for print. Using the same tracking value on Extremo that Roboto had for online use 100%, makes the two identical in Body 1 and Body 2.

* The only other difference to note in the ramp comparison, is the use of all-caps in two styles of the ramp. The old ramp used letter spacing and weight change to improve the appearance. This is probably best accomplished with an OpenType feature, 'case' which allows glyph substitution of wider, bolder uppercase letters and realigns dashes and other punctuation best centered on Caps. Here, for demo purposes, I increased the GRAD axes, and letter-spaced the Regular.

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Subtitle 1	RoboExtremo	Regular	16	Sentence	0
Subtitle 2	RoboExtremo	Regular	14	Sentence	0
Body 1	RoboExtremo	Regular	16	Sentence	.5
Body 2	RoboExtremo	Regular	14	Sentence	.25
BUTTON	RoboExtremo	Regular	14	Case*	0
Caption	RoboExtremo	Regular	12	Sentence	0
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