

LIN 300 L^AT_EX tutorial (continued)

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1 How to Write an abstract?

Your abstract should accomplish the following in approx. 300-500 words:

1. State the descriptive or analytic goal of the paper
2. Follow this with a brief description of:
 - (a) the sources consulted, **or**
 - (b) the data analyzed
3. Outline *briefly* what the paper does...
 - (a) For a descriptive work or literature discussion, highlight the main topics covered.
 - (b) For an analytic paper, describe the main argument made.