

# Author Guidelines for the Portuguese Conference on Pattern Recognition

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Figure 1: It is often a good idea for the first figure to attempt to encapsulate the article, complementing the abstract. This figure illustrates the various print and on-screen layouts for which this paper format has been optimized: (a) traditional print format; (b) on-screen single-column format, or large-print paper; (c) full-screen two column, or 2-up printing.

## Abstract

This document demonstrates the format requirements for papers submitted to the Portuguese Conference on Pattern Recognition. The format is designed for easy on-screen reading, and to print well at one or two pages per sheet. Additional features include: pop-up annotations for citations [? ? ]; a margin ruler for reviewing; and a greatly simplified way of entering multiple authors and institutions.

**All authors are encouraged to read this document**, even if you have written many papers before. As well as a description of the format, the document contains many instructions relating to formatting problems and errors that are common even in the work of authors who *have* written many papers before.

## 1 Introduction

The proceedings of RecPad (the Portuguese Conference on Pattern Recognition) will be published only in electronic form. This document illustrates the required paper format, and includes guidelines on preparation of submissions. Papers which fail to adhere to these requirements may be rejected at any stage in the review process.

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X users should use this template in order to prepare their paper. Users of other packages should emulate the style and layout of this example. Note that best results will be achieved using `pdflatex`, which is available in most modern distributions.

### 1.1 Paper length: two pages including bibliography and title

Papers must be 2 pages in length, *including* the bibliography. Length is counted from the bottom of the title on the first page. Therefore, the bibliography should begin eight lines into page ten. This is an approximate measure, intended to encourage brevity, but authors should keep in mind that blatant disregard of this instruction will cause reviewers to require greater originality and impact of the submission. **Papers which are clearly overlength will not be reviewed.** This includes papers where the margins and formatting are deemed to have been significantly altered from those laid down by this style guide. The reason such papers will not be reviewed is that there is no provision for supervised revisions of manuscripts. The reviewing process cannot determine the suitability of the paper for presentation in nine pages if it is reviewed in twelve.

The bibliography should begin immediately after the paper text. It may be of any length, within reason. It should *not* include annotations, figures, or any other paraphernalia intended to subvert the paper length requirement.