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# Acknowledgements

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To write the acknowledgments (as a “*Thank you note*”). You can look for inspiration [2] if you need some.

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# Abstract

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# 1. Introduction

This document is a guide on how to use it (“how meta!”), and its structure does not reflect the structure of a Thesis: you will need to erase (almost) all of its body and fill it with your own, organized in a coherent manner respectful of your reader’s expectations, of your fields guidelines, and in agreement with your advisor.

It is very important that you comply with all of the graduate school’s policies [1]. This template was carefully crafted with highest standards in mind, and respects all of the graduate schools requirements. You can find additional information on the “The Graduate School Reference Center: ETD Templates & Preparation Booklet” or, more generally, on this template’s repository.

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## 1.1. Title Levels

As indicated in the koma-script manual, the class `scrbook` that is used for this document has access to 6 levels of titles:



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```
1 \chapter{Test}
2 \section{Test}
3 \subsection{Test}
4 \subsubsection{Test}
5 \paragraph{Test}
6 \subparagraph{Test}
```

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Only Chapters, Sections and Subsections will appear in the table of contents, by design.

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### 1.1.1. Subsection

This is a subsection.

#### 1.1.1.1. Subsubsection

This is a subsubsection.

**1.1.1.1.1. Paragraph** This is a paragraph.

**1.1.1.1.1.1. Sub-Paragraph** This is a sub-paragraph.

## 1.2. Debugging

If this template does not “work” as expected, feel free to open an issue or reach out to [caubert@augusta.edu](mailto:caubert@augusta.edu), after having looked at `aux/input.log` as (probably) indicated by `latexmk`.

## 2. References and Bibliography

Prepare your references using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's bibliography system Bib<sub>T</sub>E<sub>X</sub>: this template uses by default biblatex, but you can alter this behaviour to use natbib if you prefer.

The references are stored in the .bib file located at references/references.bib: it contains examples of various entries. In computer science, a good source of bibliographical references is the dblp computer science bibliography. Make sure to include the digital object identifier (DOI) whenever possible, and note that this identifier can be used to obtain the corresponding .bib entry. Finally, you can “tidy” your .bib file using bibtex-tidy.

The list of references is automatically inserted in the list of references, p. 15. Use L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's `\cite` command to insert references.

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<sup>1</sup>You may note that the footnote number is itself a link.

## 3. Writing Mathematics

$\LaTeX$  can be used to render complex mathematics expressions in a relatively simple manner. Note that thanks to Xe $\LaTeX$ , you can insert mathematical symbols directly in unicode, as follows:  $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x \in \mathbb{N}, y = x^2$ , but of course you can always fall back to usual  $\LaTeX$  notation, using e.g. `\forall` to produce  $\forall$ .

You can add additional unicode symbols that may not be supported by this template or its font using the model

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1 \newunicodechar{<unicode symbol>}{\ensuremath{<latex command>}}
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(in `head_c.tex` in the markdown version), in this case additionally forcing the symbol `<unicode symbol>` to be rendered in math mode using `\ensuremath`.

### 3.1. Theorem, Proof, and Others Environments

**Markdown only** You can state e.g. theorems and proofs using pandoc’s built-in “*Definition list*”, that are rendered as description environments in  $\LaTeX$ .

**Theorem** Every  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n > 1$  has a unique prime factorization.

**Proof** Carl Friedrich Gauss told me so. □

To insert numbered theorems, definitions, and the like, and be able to reference them or add automatically the “qed” (□) symbol, you need to use  $\LaTeX$ ’s theorem environment, `label`

commands, etc. Note that, by default, proofs are unnumbered environments, but that there are ways to reference them if you want to.

**Theorem 1** (Pythagoras theorem).  $\forall a, b, c, a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ .

*Proof.* Proving Theorem 1 is not that easy. □

**Markdown only** If you would rather keep the “pure” markdown syntax but improve pandoc using a filter, you can look at the pandoc filter “statement” and its discussion on related filters, but it may be more difficult to install and use properly.

## 3.2. Formal Proofs

You can easily represent formal proofs using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X’s ebproof or bussproof packages:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ A \vee B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ C \end{array}}{\begin{array}{c} C \\ C \end{array}} \vee E$$

## 4. Figures, Tables, (Code) Listings and Landscape Pages

### 4.1. Figures

**Markdown only** You can easily insert images and figures using Pandoc, as in Figure 1, a painting by Jérôme Minard under copyleft.

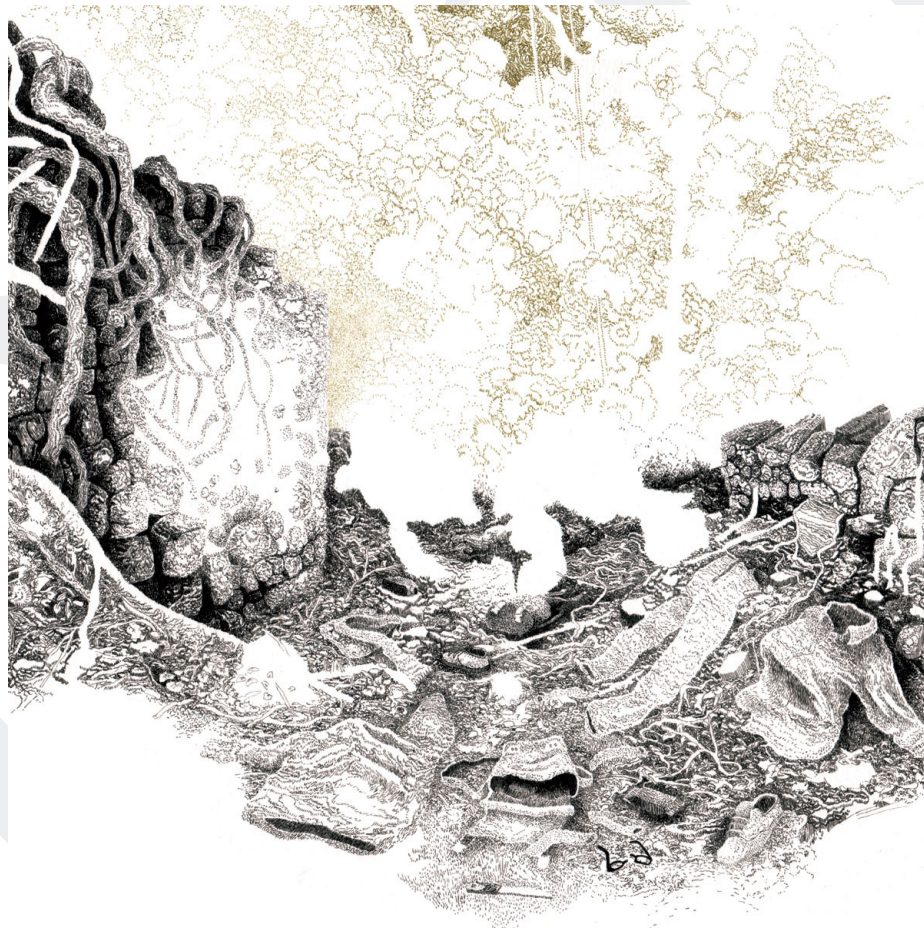


Figure 1.: *D'un autre âge*

## 4.2. Tables

**Markdown only** You can write tables using pandoc's syntaxes, as in Tables 1, 2 and 3 (all borrowed from <https://www.flutterbys.com.au/stats/tut/tut17.3.html>).

Table 1.: The price of categories

Column A	Column B	Column C
Category 1	High 95.00	100.00
High		
Category 2	High 82.50	80.50
High		

Table 2.: Illustrating how to align entries in a table

Default	Left	Center	Right
High	Cat 1	A	100.00
High	Cat 2	B	85.50
Low	Cat 3	C	80.00

Table 3.: The price and advantages of fruits

Fruit	Price	Advantages
Bananas	\$1.34	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• built-in wrapper</li><li>• bright color</li></ul>
Oranges	\$2.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• cures scurvy</li><li>• tasty</li></ul>

## 4.3. Code Listings

Code is displayed using the listings package. Check the “Table 1: Predefined languages” of the listings package documentation to see the list of supported languages by default.

**Markdown only** You can display code using various possible syntaxes.

As a fenced block:

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```
1 public class HelloWorld {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3         System.out.println("Hello, World");
4     }
5 }
```

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In a figure, as in Listings 1, 2 or 3 (that uses respectively the backtick, the tildes, and `listinginputlisting` to display the code – this latter option allows to load a file directly).

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```
1 (** Courtesy of https://coq.inria.fr/a-short-introduction-to-coq. **)
2 Inductive even : N → Prop :=
3   | even_0 : even 0
4   | even_S n : odd n → even (n + 1)
5 with odd : N → Prop :=
6   | odd_S n : even n → odd (n + 1).
```

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Listing 1: An inductive definition in Coq



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```
1 # Courtesy of https://stackoverflow.com/a/2188369
2 for num in {000..2}; do echo "$num"; done
```

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Listing 2: How to use braces ({ and }) in bash

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```
1 /* Courtesy of Brian Kernighan and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%22Hello,
   \_World!%22\_program#C */
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 int main(void)
4 {
5     printf("Hello, world\n");
6     return 0;
7 }
```

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Listing 3: "Hello World" in C

## 4.4. Landscape Pages

You can obtain landscape pages using the landscape package in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ .

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Note that the drawing presented in Figure 2 was obtained using  $\text{\LaTeX}$ 's package `tiKz`, and that the source code is shared in the `pictures` folder.

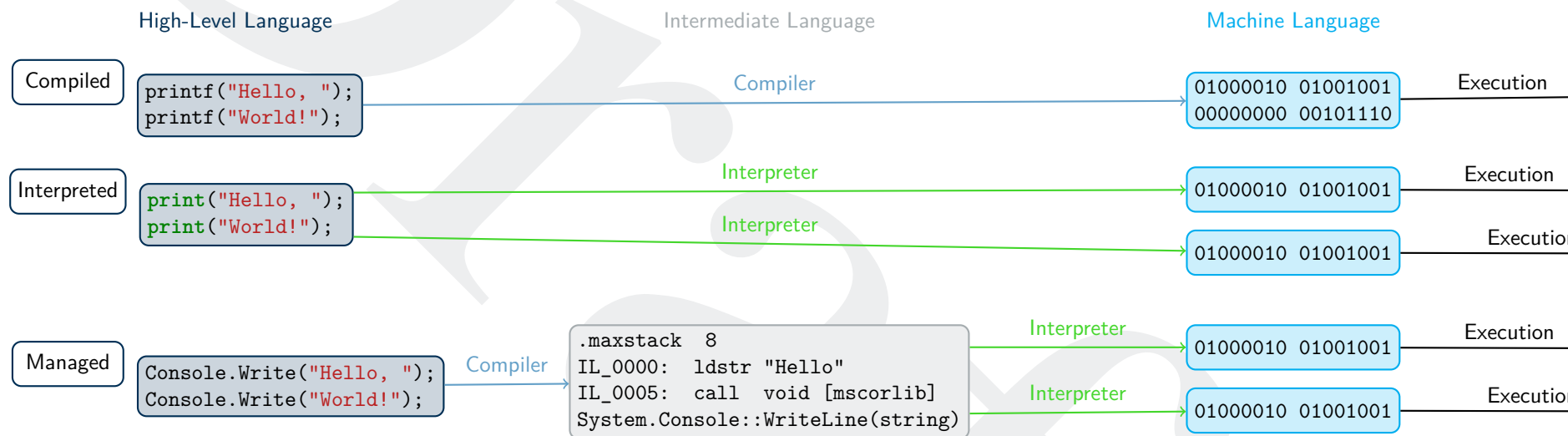


Figure 2.: Difference between programming languages (simplified)

## 5. Margins and Fonts

### 5.1. Margins

The margin have been set to fit the graduate school's requirements to:

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Actual page layout values.

<code>\paperheight = 11.00215in</code>	<code>\paperwidth = 8.50166in</code>
<code>\hoffset = 0in</code>	<code>\voffset = 0in</code>
<code>\evensidemargin = 0.50009in</code>	<code>\oddsidemargin = 0.50009in</code>
<code>\topmargin = 0in</code>	<code>\headheight = 0in</code>
<code>\headsep = 0in</code>	<code>\textheight = 9.00177in</code>
<code>\textwidth = 6.00117in</code>	<code>\footskip = 0.70236in</code>
<code>\marginparsep = 0in</code>	<code>\marginparpush = 0in</code>
<code>\columnsep = 0in</code>	<code>\columnseprule = 0in</code>
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Please, do not change those values.

## 5.2. Fonts

### 5.2.1. Body

The font used in the body of the document is “TeX Gyre Termes Font Family”, which is an extension of the standard Times New Roman that is free for commercial use, and can be freely distributed. It is set to 12pt in all of the document, and adjusted when needed to the appropriate size (particularly in the cover page, where most attributes need to be set at 16pts).

The “usual” correspondence between points and  $\text{\LaTeX}$  commands is as follows:

`tiny` is equivalent to 6pt

`scriptsize` is equivalent to 8pt

`footnotesize` is equivalent to 10pt

`small` is equivalent to 10.95pt

`normalsize` is equivalent to 12pt

`large` is equivalent to 14.4pt

`Large` is equivalent to 17.28pt



`LARGE` is equivalent to 20.74pt

`huge` is equivalent to 24.88pt

# Huge is equivalent to 24.88pt

## 5.2.2. Symbols

For better unicode support, the Symbola font is also used. Starting with version 11, the licence of this font is too restrictive for non-personal use. As a consequence, users are asked to make sure they do not use a version greater than v.10.24, which is “free for any use” and archived on-line.

By default, the following symbols, not available in the TeX Gyre Termes Font Family, are displayed using Symbola: ,  $\times$ ,  $\triangle$ ,  $?$ , ,  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\checkmark$ ,  $\leftarrow$ ,  $\downarrow$ ,  $\cup$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\square$ . To declare other unicode symbols as having to be displayed using the Symbola font, use

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1 \newunicodechar{<unicode symbol>}{\symb <unicode symbol>}
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(in `head_c.tex` in the markdown version), so that `<unicode symbol>` will be rendered using the Symbola font.

# References

- [1] Augusta University's Graduate School. *Forms, Policies, and Procedures*. July 2021.  
URL: <https://www.augusta.edu/gradschool/student-resources.php> (visited on 11/01/2021).
- [2] Jane Chisholm. "WRITING ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Saying "Thank You"". In: *CETL 8723: Writing for International Graduate Students*. URL: [https://esl.gatech.edu/sites/default/files/LI/li-how\\_to\\_write\\_acknowledgements\\_in\\_a\\_dissertation.pdf](https://esl.gatech.edu/sites/default/files/LI/li-how_to_write_acknowledgements_in_a_dissertation.pdf).

## A. Appendix A (Optional)

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