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ABSTRACT

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Index Terms— One, two, three, four, five

1. INTRODUCTION

These guidelines include complete descriptions of the fonts, spacing, and related information for producing your proceedings manuscripts. Please follow them.

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Saying “this builds on the work of Lucy Smith [1]” does not say that you are Lucy Smith, it says that you are building on her work. If you are Smith and Jones, do not say “as we show in [7]”, say “as Smith and Jones show in [7]” and at the end of the paper, include reference 7 as you would any other cited work.

An example of a bad paper:

An analysis of the frobnicatable foo filter.

In this paper we present a performance analysis of our previous paper [1], and show it to be inferior to all previously known methods. Why the previous paper was accepted without this analysis is beyond me.

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An analysis of the frobnicatable foo filter.

In this paper we present a performance analysis of the paper of Smith [1], and show it to be inferior to all previously known methods. Why the previous paper was accepted without this analysis is beyond me.

[1] Smith, L and Jones, C. “The frobnicatable foo filter, a fundamental contribution to human knowledge”. Nature 381(12), 1-213.

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1. Authors. “The frobnicatable foo filter”, ACM MM 2016 Submission ID 324, Supplied as additional material `acmmm13.pdf`.

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We describe a system for zero-g frobnication. This system is new because it handles the following cases: A, B. Previous systems [Zeus et al. 1968] didn’t handle case B properly. Ours handles it by including a foo term in the bar integral.

...

The proposed system was integrated with the Apollo lunar lander, and went all the way to the moon, don’t you know. It displayed the following behaviours which show how well we solved cases A and B: ...

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(a) Result 1

(b) Results 2

(c) Result 3

Fig. 1. Example of placing a figure with experimental results.

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Major headings, for example, “1. Introduction”, should appear in all capital letters, bold face if possible, centered in the column, with one blank line before, and one blank line after. Use a period (“.”) after the heading number, not a colon.

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Sub-subheadings, as in this paragraph, are discouraged. However, if you must use them, they should appear in lower case (initial word capitalized) and start at the left margin on a separate line, with paragraph text beginning on the following line. They should be in italics.

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Since there are many ways, often incompatible, of including images (e.g., with experimental results) in a L^AT_EX document. Figure 1 shows you an example of how to do this.

Table 1. Table caption

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Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3
Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6

9. TABLES AND EQUATIONS

Tables and important equations must be centered in the column. Table 1 shows an example of a table while the equation

$$\begin{aligned}y &= ax^2 + bx + c \\ &= (x + p)(x + q)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

shows an example of an equation layout.

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12. REFERENCES

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