On the Configurability of Long Documents

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Abstract

This thesis argues that a single, well-structured class can carry the full weight of PhD thesis production, from title page through bibliography. We demonstrate the approach with a worked chapter, a cited source, and a compiled bibliography.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Motivation

Thesis templates tend to specialise per institution. Knuth [1] shows that the underlying typesetting engine does not require this — the constraints come from institutional convention, not from TEX itself.

1.2 Structure of this Document

The remaining chapter extends this argument with a worked example.

Chapter 2

Related Work

Prior systems addressing long-document typesetting are surveyed in Knuth [1].

Bibliography

[1] Donald E. Knuth. *The TEXbook*. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA, 1984.