

# Manuscript Preparation Guidelines and Template For the 38th IEEE Photovoltaic Specialists Conference (Title in 18-point Times font)

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**Index Terms**—amorphous materials, charge carrier lifetime, photovoltaic cells, silicon.

## I. INTRODUCTION

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## II. DETAILED TEXT FORMATTING

Use a two column format. All paragraphs of text, including the abstract, figure captions, and references, should be justified at the left and the right edges.

For the Title, use 18-point Times (Roman) font. Its paragraph description should be set so that the line spacing is single with 6-point spacing before and 6-point spacing after. The font description for the Author List and Authors' Affiliation(s) should be 12-point Times. The paragraph descriptions should be set so that the line spacing is single with 6-point spacings before and after. Use an additional line spacing of 12 points before the beginning of the double column section, as shown above.

Using 8.5 x 11-inch paper, the top margin is 0.75 inch, the bottom margin is 1 inch, and the left and right margins are 0.625 inch. Except for Title, Authors and Affiliations, use a double column format. The column width is 3.5 inches and the column spacing is 0.25 inch.

Each major section begins with a Heading in 10 point Times font centered within the column and numbered using Roman numerals (except for ACKNOWLEDGMENT and REFERENCES), followed by a period, a single space, and the title using an initial capital letter for each word. The remaining letters are in SMALL CAPITALS. The paragraph description of the section heading line should be set for 18 points before, 6

TABLE 1

Summary of Typographical Settings

Section	Font Specifics (Times Roman unless specified)			Paragraph Description				
	style	size	special	line	spacing (in points) before	after	alignment	indent (in inches)
Title	plain	18	none	single	6	6	centered	none
Author List	plain	12	none	single	6	6	centered	none
Affiliations	plain	12	none	single	6	6	centered	none
Abstract	bold	9	none	exactly 10	0	0	justified	0.125 1 <sup>st</sup> line
Headings	plain	10	small caps	exactly 12	18	6	centered	none
Subheadings	italic	10	none	exactly 12	6	6	left	none
Body	plain	10	none	exactly 12	0	0	justified	0.125 1 <sup>st</sup> line
Paragraphs								
Equations	Symbol font for special characters			single	6	6	centered	none
Figures	8 to 10 point sans serif (Helvetica)			single	0	0	centered	none
Figure Captions	plain	9	none	10	0	0	justified	none, tab at 0.5
References	plain	9	none	10	0	0	justified	0.25 hanging

points after, and the line spacing should be set to exactly 12 points.

For the body of your paper, use 10-point Times font and set your line spacing at “exactly 12 points” with 0 points before and after. Indent each paragraph by 0.125 inches.

Further details are provided in the remainder of this paper for specific situations.

#### A. Major Subsections

As shown, denote subsections with left justified 10-point Times Italic. Order them with capitalized alphabetic characters (*A, B, ...*). Follow the letter designation with a period, a single space, and then the subsection title capitalizing the first letter of each word. The paragraph description of the subsection heading is set to “exactly 12-point” line spacing with 6 points before and after.

#### B. Equations

Equations should be centered in the column and numbered sequentially. Place the equation number to the right of the equation within a parenthesis, with right justification within its column. An example would be

$$V_{OC} = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \left( \frac{I_L}{I_S} + 1 \right) \quad (1)$$

*Make sure that any subscripts in your equations are legible and are not too small to read!* When referring to an equation, use the number within parenthesis. For example, you would usually refer to the first equation as (1) rather than equation (1). If possible, use the Symbol font for all special characters. The paragraph description of the line containing the equation should be set for 6 points before and 6 points after. The paragraph spacing will need to be set to “single” rather than “exactly 12 point” so that the height will autoscale to fit the equation.

### III. FIGURES AND TABLES

Most of the following applies to Microsoft Word. Figures should utilize as much of the column width as possible in order to maximize legibility. Use a sans serif font, such as Helvetica. Helvetica is larger and much easier to read than Times. Using

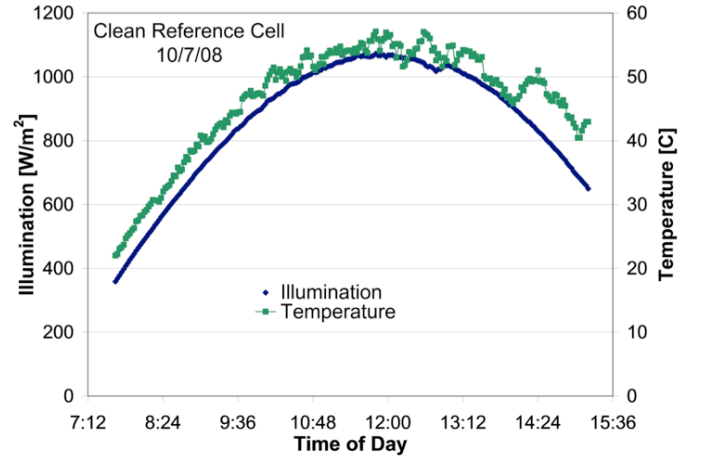


Fig. 1. Example of readable plot using different colors and line styles for clarity.

8- to 10-point Helvetica usually results in a legible figure. *Do not use any font smaller than 8-point!* It must be legible. When referring to a figure, use the abbreviation Fig. followed by its number. Place figure captions directly below each figure. Use 9-point Times with the paragraph spacing set at “exactly 10 points.” Set a tab at 0.5 inch. Type “Fig. #.” (# is the numeral) then tab over to the 0.5 inch mark before beginning the text of the figure caption. Note that figure captions are always (left and right) justified, rather than centered, even if they are less than a single full line in length. See the caption for Fig. 1.

Within L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, there is basically only one option for placing figures within your paper. Often the easiest way is to insert them into the top of the next column. Do not lump all figures at the end of the paper! If you have difficulties with the titles on your figures, you can always elect to add in the titles as separate text boxes, rather than importing the titles with the graph. This is sometimes helpful in getting a lengthy vertically-oriented title to display correctly.

Notice that prior to the graph, a single 12-point line is used to separate the preceding text from the graph. The equivalent of a blank line should exist between the bottom of the graph

(the x-axis caption) and the figure caption. (In this particular case, there was no need to add a blank line between the x-axis label and the figure caption, because there was already adequate spacing provided by the image border.) After the figure caption, there should be a single 12-point blank line before the text resumes. If you decide to use color traces in your graphical data, be absolutely certain that there is no ambiguity about your graphical information when printed on a B&W printer.

Table I on the second page was inserted using “Insert”, “Text Box”, creating the text contained in Table I, and then formatting the text box using all the settings available under “Format”, “Text Box...”. Table I also serves as an illustration of one of the rare instances when the double column format requirement can be violated. Certain figures and tables will require the full-page width to display. It is usually best to place these figures and tables at the top, rather than in the middle or bottom of a page. Tables should be entered within a single column if this can be done cleanly, without the entry becoming too crowded.

#### IV. CITING PREVIOUS WORK

When referencing a journal article [?], a conference digest article [?] or a book [?], place the reference numbers within square brackets. To simultaneously cite these references [?] - [?] use the format just demonstrated. The reference list is the last section and references are listed in the order cited. Use 9 point Times. The paragraph description is set for a line spacing of exactly 10 points with 0 point spacing before and after. A 0.25 inch hanging indentation should be specified.

Generally speaking, references should be very detailed. For journal articles, list all authors by initials and last name, the title of the paper in quotations (capitalizing only the first letter of the first word, unless it would be capitalized in a sentence, e.g., a proper noun), the journal name in italics, the volume number, the issue number, the page numbers, and the date. Use the examples provided [?] - [?] as a guide.

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#### VI. CONCLUSION

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