

Author Guidelines for ICIAP Submission

Anonymous ICIAP 2027 Submission

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Abstract. The abstract should concisely summarize the contents of the paper. While there is no fixed length restriction for the abstract, it is recommended to limit your abstract to approximately 150 words. Please include keywords as in the example below. This is required for papers in LNCS proceedings.

Keywords: First keyword · Second keyword · Third keyword

1 Introduction

This document serves as an example submission to ICIAP 2027. It illustrates the format authors must follow when submitting a paper. At the same time, it gives details on various aspects of paper submission, including preservation of anonymity and how to deal with dual submissions. We advise authors to read this document carefully.

The document is based on Springer LNCS instructions as well as on ICIAP policies, as established over the years.

2 Initial Submission

2.1 Language

All manuscripts must be in English.

2.2 Template

Papers must be prepared with the official LNCS style from Springer. This applies to both review and camera-ready versions. Papers must be prepared in $\text{\LaTeX}$ using the template provided by ICIAP, which is based on the corresponding Springer class file `llncs.cls` but includes line numbers for review (Sec. 2.4) and properly anonymizes the paper for review (as in this example document). The resulting PDF file must be consistent with this example paper and follow it as closely as possible (*i.e.*, include line numbers, be properly anonymized, *etc.*).

We would like to stress that the class/style files and the template must not be manipulated and that the guidelines regarding font sizes and format must be adhered to. For example, please refrain from using any $\text{\LaTeX}$ or $\text{\TeX}$ command that modifies the layout settings of the template (*e.g.*, `\textheight`, `\space`,

`\baselinestretch`, etc.). Such manual layout adjustments should be limited to very exceptional cases. This is to ensure that the end product is as homogeneous as possible.

Papers that differ significantly from the required style may be rejected without review.

Fonts. The L^AT_EX template is based on the CMR fonts and must be used as provided. Specifically, please refrain from using Times. Using a different font can be interpreted as purposely circumventing the length limitations and may lead to rejection without review.

2.3 Paper Length

Papers submitted for review must be complete. The length should match that intended for final publication. Papers accepted for the conference will be allocated 12 pages (including references) in the proceedings.

Papers with more than 12 pages (including references) will be rejected without review.

Supplementary material and code. No supplementary material is foreseen: the paper must be self-contained within the 12 pages. Authors may, however, share the source code and the instructions to reproduce the experiments through the dedicated fields of the submission form, either as a link to an anonymised repository on <https://anonymous.4open.science/> (preferred) or as an anonymised zip file. To preserve double-blind review, the code must be anonymised, too. The paper itself must not contain links to the code, which is provided only through the submission form. To apply for the RRPR Badge, the code must be provided at submission time (see the call for papers).

2.4 Line Numbering

All lines should be numbered in the initial submission, as in this example document. This makes reviewing more efficient, because reviewers can refer to a line on a page. Line numbering is removed in the camera-ready version.

3 Policies

The policies governing the review process of ICIAP 2027 are detailed on the conference webpage (see <https://iciap2027.unimore.it/>), such as regarding confidentiality, dual submissions, double-blind reviewing, plagiarism, and more. By submitting a paper to ICIAP, the authors acknowledge that they have read the submission policies and that the submission follows the rules set forth.

Accepted papers will be published in LNCS proceedings with Springer. To that end, authors must follow the Springer Nature Code of Conduct for Authors

(see <https://www.springernature.com/gp/authors/book-authors-code-of-conduct>). We would like to draw particular attention to the policies regarding figures and illustrations, as well as ethical approval and informed consent, which are also reproduced on the ICIAP website.

The use of large language models and other generative AI tools is permitted. Authors who have used these tools *must* disclose how, in a dedicated section of the paper (see the end of the paper), included within the 12-page limit.

4 Preserving Anonymity

ICIAP reviewing is double blind: authors do not know the names of the area chairs and reviewers of their papers, and area chairs and reviewers must not be able to infer the names of the authors from the submission. You must not identify the authors nor provide links to websites that identify the authors, neither in the paper nor in the code archive. Violation of any of these guidelines may lead to rejection without review.

4.1 Citing your own work

Anonymity does not mean removing citations to your own work: it means citing it as you would cite anyone else's.

- *Published work*. Cite it in the third person and list it in the references. Write “Smith and Jones [7] show that ...”, not “we show in [7]” or “our previous work [7]”.
- *Unpublished or concurrent work*. Cite it anonymously (“Authors [1]”) and explain in the body of the paper how the submission differs from it. Supplementary material is not accepted, so the cited paper cannot be attached.
- *Further details*. The paper must stand on its own: do not require reviewers to read a technical report [6], and do not link to one that identifies you.
- *Links and resources*. Do not link to pages, repositories or preprints that identify the authors, do not cite your own preprint in a way that identifies you, and do not mention resources known to belong to your group or institution. In particular, the paper must not contain links to the code, which is provided only through the submission form, as an anonymised repository or zip file.

For example, write “this builds on the work of Smith *et al.* [1]”, not “this builds on our previous paper [1]”.

Acknowledgements must be omitted in the review copy and can be added in the final copy. Springer also requires, in the final copy, a short *Disclosure of Interests* statement (see the end of this document).

5 Formatting Guidelines

5.1 Headings

Headings should be capitalized (*i.e.*, nouns, verbs, and all other words except articles, prepositions, and conjunctions should be set with an initial capital) and

Table 1: Font sizes of headings. Table captions should always be positioned *above* the tables.

Heading level	Example	Font size and style
Title (centered)	Lecture Notes . . .	14 point, bold
1st-level heading	1 Introduction	12 point, bold
2nd-level heading	2.1 Printing Area	10 point, bold
3rd-level heading	Headings. Text follows . . .	10 point, bold
4th-level heading	<i>Remark.</i> Text follows . . .	10 point, italic

should, with the exception of the title, be aligned to the left. Only the first two levels of section headings should be numbered, as shown in Tab. 1. The respective font sizes are also given in Tab. 1. Kindly refrain from using “0” when numbering your section headings. Words joined by a hyphen are subject to a special rule. If the first word can stand alone, the second word should be capitalized.

Here are some examples of headings: “Criteria to Disprove Context-Freeness of Collage Languages”, “On Correcting the Intrusion of Tracing Non-deterministic Programs by Software”, “A User-Friendly and Extendable Data Distribution System”, “Multi-flip Networks: Parallelizing GenSAT”, “Self-determinations of Man”.

5.2 Figures

For L^AT_EX users, we recommend integrating figures in your paper using the package `graphicx`.

It is essential that all illustrations are clear and legible. Vector graphics (rather than rasterized images) should be used for diagrams and schemas whenever possible. Please check that the lines in line drawings are not interrupted and have a constant width. Line drawings are to have a resolution of at least 800 dpi (preferably 1200 dpi). Grids and details within figures must be clearly legible and may not be written one on top of the other. The lettering in figures should not use font sizes smaller than 6 pt (~2 mm character height).

Figures should be numbered and should have a caption, which should always be positioned *under* the figures, in contrast to the caption belonging to a table, which should always appear *above* the table. Figures and Tables should be cross-referred in the text.

If they are short, they are centered between the margins (*cf.* Fig. 2). Longer captions, covering more than one line, are justified (Fig. 1 shows an example). Captions that do not constitute a full sentence, do not have a period.

If possible (*e.g.*, if you use L^AT_EX) please define figures as floating objects. L^AT_EX users, please avoid using the location parameter “h” for “here”. If you have to insert a pagebreak before a figure, please ensure that the previous page is completely filled.

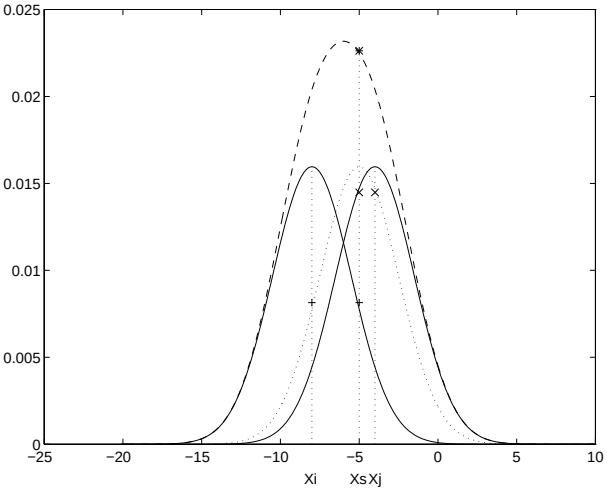


Fig. 1: One kernel at x_s (*dotted kernel*) or two kernels at x_i and x_j (*left and right*) lead to the same summed estimate at x_s . This shows a figure consisting of different types of lines. Elements of the figure described in the caption should be set in italics, in parentheses, as shown in this sample caption. The last sentence of a figure caption should generally end with a full stop, except when the caption is not a full sentence.

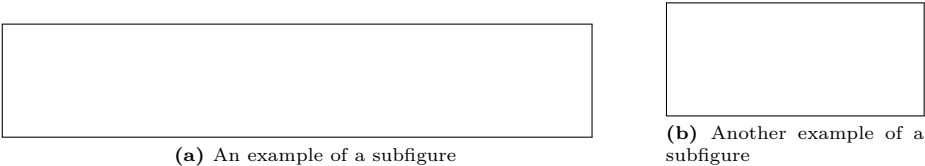


Fig. 2: Centered, short example caption

5.3 Formulas

Displayed equations or formulas are centered and set on a separate line (with an extra line or half line space above and below). Equations should be numbered for reference. The numbers should be consecutive within the contribution, with numbers enclosed in parentheses and set on the right margin. For example,

$$\psi(u) = \int_0^T \left[\frac{1}{2} (A_0^{-1}u, u) + N^*(-u) \right] dt$$
$$= 0$$

(1)

(2)

and

$$E = m \cdot c^2.$$

(3)

Please do not include section counters in the numbering.

Numbering equations makes reviewing more efficient, because reviewers can refer to a line on a page. It is important for readers to be able to refer to any

particular equation. Just because you did not refer to it in the text does not mean some future reader might not need to refer to it. It is cumbersome to have to use circumlocutions like “the equation second from the top of page 3”. (Note that the ruler will not be present in the final copy, so is not an alternative to equation numbers). All authors will benefit from reading Mermin’s description of how to write mathematics: <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.2811173>.

Equations should never be in color and should be punctuated in the same way as ordinary text. They should not be pasted in as figures.

Lemmas, Propositions, and Theorems. The numbers accorded to lemmas, propositions, and theorems, *etc.* should appear in consecutive order, starting with Lemma 1. Please do not include section counters in the numbering like “Theorem 1.1”.

5.4 Footnotes.

The superscript numeral used to refer to a footnote appears in the text either directly after the word to be discussed or – in relation to a phrase or a sentence – following the punctuation mark (comma, semicolon, or period).¹ For remarks pertaining to the title or the authors’ names, in the header of a paper, symbols should be used instead of a number. Please note that no footnotes may be included in the abstract.

5.5 Cross References

For the benefit of author(s) and readers, please use the

`\cref{...}`

command for cross-referencing to figures, tables, equations, or sections. This will automatically insert the appropriate label alongside the cross reference as in this example:

To see how our method outperforms previous work, please see Fig. 1 and Tab. 1. It is also possible to refer to multiple targets as once, *e.g.* to Figs. 1 and 2a. You may also return to Sec. 1 or look at Eq. (3).

If you do not wish to abbreviate the label, for example at the beginning of the sentence, you can use the

`\Cref{...}`

command. Here is an example:

Figure 1 is also quite important.

¹ The footnote numeral is set flush left and the text follows with the usual word spacing. Second and subsequent lines are indented.

5.6 Program Code

Program listings or program commands in the text are normally set in typewriter font (*e.g.*, `printf("Hello world!\n");`).

5.7 Citations

Arabic numbers are used for citation, which is sequential either by order of citation or by alphabetical order of the references, depending on which sequence is used in the list of references. The reference numbers are given in brackets and are not superscript. Please observe the following guidelines:

- Single citation: [5]
- Multiple citation: [1,2,4–6]. The numbers should be listed in numerical order. If you use the template as advised, this will be taken care of automatically.
- If an author’s name is used in the text: Alpher [1] was the first ...

Please write all references using the Latin alphabet. If the title of the book you are referring to is, *e.g.*, in Russian or Chinese, then please write (in Russian) or (in Chinese) at the end of the transcript or translation of the title. All references cited in the text should be in the list of references and vice versa.

References should be formatted with the official LNCS reference style. The L^AT_EX template already takes care of that through the use of the `splncs04.bst` BibT_EX style file. Springer strongly encourages you to include DOIs (Digital Object Identifiers) in your references (*cf.* [7]). The DOI is a unique code allotted by the publisher to each online paper or journal article. It provides a stable way of finding published papers and their metadata.

5.8 Miscellaneous

Compare the following:

<code>\$conf_a\$</code>	$conf_a$
<code>\$\mathit{conf}_a\$</code>	conf_a

See The T_EXbook, p. 165.

The space after *e.g.*, meaning “for example”, should not be a sentence-ending space. So *e.g.* is correct, *e.g.* is not. The provided `\eg` macro takes care of this.

When citing a multi-author paper, you may save space by using “et alia”, shortened to “*et al.*” (not “*et. al.*” as “*et*” is a complete word). If you use the `\etal` macro provided, then you need not worry about double periods when used at the end of a sentence as in Alpher *et al.* However, use it only when there are three or more authors. Thus, the following is correct: “Frobnication has been trendy lately. It was introduced by Alpher [1], and subsequently developed by Alpher and Fotheringham-Smythe [2], and Alpher *et al.* [3].”

This is incorrect: “... subsequently developed by Alpher *et al.* [2] ...” because reference [2] has just two authors.

6 Camera-Ready Manuscript Preparation

This information will follow after paper decisions have been announced.

7 Conclusion

The paper ends with a conclusion.

Disclosure of Generative AI Use

Example: The authors used <tool name> to <purpose, *e.g.*, polish the language of Sections 2–3>. The authors reviewed all the output and take full responsibility for the content of this paper.

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