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- **Front Matter:** Title page, Dedication (optional), Foreword (optional), Preface (optional), About this Book, Table of Contents, List of Abbreviations (optional).
- **Text Body:** It comprises the chapters containing the content of the textbook, i.e., text, figures, tables, and references. Chapters can be grouped together in parts.
- **Back Matter:** After the last chapter, the back matter can contain an appendix, a glossary, and/or an index, all of which are optional.

4.1 Front Matter

- The title page and the table of contents precede the actual content of a textbook.
- The preface (optional) should be about the textbook: why it was written, who it is for, its organization, or the selection of contributors. An introduction to the subject of the textbook, however, should appear as the first chapter of the textbook.
- Other optional items in the front matter at the beginning of a textbook are e.g., dedication, a foreword or a list of abbreviations.

4.1.1 Title Page

- Please include all author names (for contributed textbooks, the editor names) and their affiliations, the textbook title and subtitle. Ensure that the sequence of the author names is correct and the title of your textbook is final when you submit your manuscript.
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- If you intend to include a foreword, please submit it with the manuscript.

**Tip**

- A foreword is usually written by an authority on the subject, and serves as a recommendation of the textbook.
- The name of the foreword’s contributor is always given at the end of the foreword; affiliations and titles are generally not included, but the date and place of writing may be.
4.1.3 Preface (optional)

- A preface should not contain a reference list.
- An introduction to the subject of the textbook should not be confused with a preface. The introduction does not belong in the front matter, but should appear as the first chapter of the textbook.

Tip
- The preface should be about the textbook: why it was written, who it is for, its organization, or the selection of contributors.
- Acknowledgments of support or assistance in preparing the textbook can be included as the last paragraph(s) of the preface. If the acknowledgment is more than one page long, it should start on a separate page under the heading Acknowledgments.

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- About this Book should explain how the book can be used to build/teach a course. It may include any student prerequisites and list which chapters are compulsory for student understanding and which are supplementary.

4.1.5 Table of Contents

- List all parts, chapters, and back matter material (e.g., an index) in the final sequence.
- Use Arabic numerals and number the chapters consecutively throughout the textbook (Chapter 1, Chapter 2, etc.), i.e., do not start anew with each part.
- If there are parts, use Roman numerals for parts (Part I, Part II, etc.).

Key Style Points: Table of Contents

4.1.6 List of Abbreviations/Symbols (optional)

Tip
- A list of abbreviations and/or symbols is optional but it may be very helpful if numerous abbreviations and special symbols are scattered throughout the text.

4.2 Chapters

Chapters contain the actual content of the textbook, i.e., text, figures, tables, and references. Chapters can be grouped together in parts; subparts are not possible. Only one chapter (i.e., an introduction) may precede the first part and would be the first chapter.

- If an introduction to the subject of the textbook (historical background, definitions, or methodology) is included, it should appear as the first chapter and thus be included in the chapter numbering. It can contain references, figures, and tables, just as any other chapter.

4.2.1 Language

- Either British or American English can be used consistently throughout the book. In contributed textbooks chapter-wise consistency is accepted.
- Check for consistent spelling of names, terms, and abbreviations, including in tables and figure captions.
Tip
– For American spelling please consult Merriam–Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary; for British spelling you should refer to Collins English Dictionary.
– If English is not your native language, please ask a native speaker to help you or arrange for your text to be checked by a professional editing service. Please insert their final corrections into your data before submitting the manuscript.

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• For contributed volumes, please include each chapter’s authors’ names (spelled out as they would be cited), affiliations and e-mail addresses and telephone numbers after the chapter title. (The telephone number will not be published but may be needed as contact information during the publishing process.)
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Key Style Points: Chapter Title Page

4.2.3 Abstract
• **Begin each chapter with an abstract** that summarizes the content of the chapter in 150 to 250 words. The abstract will appear online at SpringerLink and be available with unrestricted access to facilitate online searching, using, e.g., Google, and allow unregistered users to read the abstract as a teaser for the complete chapter.
• If no abstract is submitted, we will use the first paragraph of the chapter instead.

Tip
– Don’t include reference citations or undefined abbreviations in the abstract, since abstracts are often read independently of the actual chapter and without access to the reference list.
– For further tips on writing an effective abstract, see the website on Search Engine Optimization.

4.2.4 Keywords
• **Keywords must be provided** after the chapter abstract. The keywords will appear online at SpringerLink and be available with unrestricted access to facilitate online searching, using, e.g., Google.

Tip
– Each keyword should not contain more than two compound words, and each keyword phrase should start with an uppercase letter.
– When selecting the keywords, think of them as terms that will help someone locate your chapter at the top of the search engine list using, for example, Google. Very broad terms (e.g., ‘Case study’ by itself) should be avoided as these will result in thousands of search results but will not result in finding your chapter.

4.2.5 Headings and Heading Numbering
• Heading levels should be clearly identified and each level should be uniquely and consistently formatted and/or numbered.
• Use the decimal system of numbering.
• Never skip a heading level. The only exceptions are run-in headings which can be used at any hierarchical level.
1 Key Style Points: Headings

Tip
- In cross-references, for hyperlink purposes, refer to the chapter or section number (e.g., see Chap. 3 or see Sect. 3.5.1).
- In addition to the two levels of numbered headings, three more (lower) heading levels are possible. Their hierarchical level should be identified with the help of Springer’s templates or the standard Word heading styles.
- Another option for lower level headings is a run-in heading, i.e., headings that are set immediately at the beginning of the paragraph. Such headings should be formatted as follows:
  Style 3 = highest level run-in heading: Set in bold directly above the section text
  Style 2 = next level of run-in heading: Set in italics directly above the section text
  Style 1 = lowest level of run-in heading: Set in bold at the beginning of the section text.

4.2.6 Terminology, Units and Abbreviations

• Technical terms and abbreviations should be defined the first time they appear in the text.
• Please always use internationally accepted signs and symbols for units, so-called SI units.
• Numerals should follow the British/American method of decimal points to indicate decimals and commas to separate thousands.

1 Key Style Points: Abbreviations, Numbers, Units and Equations

Tip
- If the manuscript contains a large number of terms and abbreviations, a list of abbreviations, a list of symbols or a glossary is advised.

4.2.7 Formal Style and Text Formatting

• Manuscripts will be checked by a copy editor for formal style. Springer follows certain standards with regard to the presentation of the content, and the copy editors make sure that the manuscript conforms to these styles.

1 Key Style Points: Formal Style, Text formatting

Tip
- Remember not to make changes that involve only matters of style when you check your proofs. We have generally introduced forms that follow Springer’s house style.

Emphasis and special type

1 Key Style Points: Formal Style, Text formatting

Tip
- Italics should be used for emphasized words or phrases in running text, but do not format entire paragraphs in italics.
- In addition, use italics for species and genus names, mathematical/physical variables, and prefixes in
chemical compounds.
- **Bold** formatting should only be used for run-in headings and **small capitals** for indicating optical activity (D- and L-dopa).
- **Sans serif** (e.g., Arial) and **non-proportional font** (e.g., Courier) can be used to distinguish the literal text of computer programs from running text.

### Boxes
- Do not set entire pages as boxes, because this affects online readability.

#### 4.2.8 Footnotes
- Always use footnotes instead of endnotes and never use footnotes instead of a reference list.
- Footnotes should not consist of a reference citation. Footnotes should not contain figures, tables and/or the bibliographic details of a reference.

Key Style Points: Formal Style, Text formatting

#### 4.2.9 Chapter introduction
- This sets the chapter in context and connects it with the rest of the book. It should explain what students will learn in the chapter.
- This can take the format of key concepts or points that will be covered; learning objectives; or questions that the chapter will address.

**Tip**
- Use “Overview starts” before the text and “Overview ends” at the end of the text.
- The heading ‘Overview’ can be retitled as necessary or can be removed.

#### 4.2.10 Definitions
- This introduces and explains a technical or key term before it is used in the main text.

**Tip**
- Use “Definition starts” before the text and “Definition ends” at the end of the text.
- The heading ‘Definition’ cannot be changed, but it can be removed.

#### 4.2.11 Highlight major results/formulae
- This draws attention to important results or formulae.

**Tip**
- Use “Important starts” before the text and “Important ends” at the end of the text.
- The heading ‘Important’ cannot be changed, but it can be removed.

#### 4.2.12 Case studies
- This shows how to apply a theory or method using a real-world example.
- This is different to a worked example. Case studies are typically more detailed and longer than half a page.
4.2.13 Examples

- This shows how to apply a theory or method. They are typically shorter and less detailed than a case study and don’t have a solution (see Worked examples)

4.2.14 Worked examples

- This demonstrates a solution to a technique. It can take the form of an exercise, but a solution is provided together with information on how that solution was found.

4.2.15 How-to-use guides for a method or tool

- This shows how to apply a tool or method.

4.2.16 Exercises

- This tests student understanding of the materials covered in the preceding text. These are typically short questions which students should be able to answer quickly so the flow of the text is not disrupted.
- No solution is given. Solutions can be provided in an Appendix at the end of the book if necessary, but the student should be able to find the answer in the preceding text.

4.2.17 Program code

- Use “Programcode starts” before the text and “Programcode ends” at the end of the text.
The heading ‘Programcode’ cannot be changed, but it can be removed.

4.2.18 Equations

- In Word, use the Math function of Word 2007 or 2010, MathType, or Microsoft Equation Editor with Word 2003 to create your equations, and insert the graphic into your text file as an object.

Key Style Points: Abbreviations, Numbers, Units and Equations

Tip
- Prepare the whole equation in this way and not just part of it.

4.2.19 Chapter conclusion

- This summarises the chapter, reviewing the key points/key concepts/learning objectives given in the chapter introduction. It should link back to the chapter introduction, confirming that all the points have been covered, and what the student should now understand.

Tip
- Use “Overview starts” before the text and “Overview ends” at the end of the text.
- The heading ‘Overview’ can be retitled as necessary or can be removed.

4.3 Tables

- Give each table a caption. Add a reference citation to the table source at the end of the caption, if necessary.
- Number tables consecutively using the chapter number (e.g., Table 1.1 for the first table in Chap. 1) and ensure that all tables are cited in the text in sequential order. Do not write “the following table”.
- Use the table function to create and format tables. Do not use the space bar or multiple tabs to separate columns and do not use Excel to create tables as this can cause problems when converting your tables into the typesetting program and other formats.

Key Style Points: Tables and Lists

Tip
- Simple, one-column lists should not be treated as tables. Use the displayed list function instead.
- Save the tables in the same file as text, references, and figure captions.
- Do not manually insert table rules in the manuscript, because they cannot be retained.

4.4 Figures and Illustrations

4.4.1 Numbering

- Number the figures chapter-wise using the chapter number (e.g., Fig. 1.1 for the first figure in Chap. 1) and ensure that all figures are cited in the text in sequential order. Do not write “the following figure”.

4.4.2 Figure Captions

- Give each figure a concise caption, describing accurately what the figure depicts. Include the captions at the end of the text file, not in the figure file.
- Identify all elements found in the figure in the figure caption and use boxes, circles, etc. as coordinate...
Key Style Points: Figures and Illustrations

4.4.3 Figure and Illustration Files
A figure is an object that is drawn or photographed. It does not consist solely of characters and thus cannot be keyed.

- Do not submit tabular material as figures.
- Graphics and diagrams should be saved as EPS files with the fonts embedded. Microsoft Office files (Excel or PowerPoint) can be submitted in the original format (xls, xlsx, ppt, pptx). Scanned graphics in TIFF format should have a minimum resolution of 1200 dpi.
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- **Frames per second**: 30 or 24 preferred.
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4.5 References

4.5.1 Reference Citations

- Cite references in the text with author name/s and year of publication in parentheses (“Harvard system”):
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- Entries in the list must be listed alphabetically except in the numbered system of sequential citation. The rules for alphabetization are:
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► EndNote software: Springer reference styles

4.5.3 Reference Styles

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- The copy editor will check the references against the reference style applicable for the textbook and correct the format if necessary.
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### 4.6 Further reading/Additional resources

- This lists books to read or websites to visit for further information on the topic. These are not cited in the text like References are.

- If the chapter has a Reference list, the Further Reading will appear as a section within the Reference list. If the chapter does not have a Reference list, Further Reading is the main heading of the reference list.

### 4.7 Back Matter

After the last chapter, the back matter of the textbook can contain an appendix, a glossary, and/or an index. Do not include a reference list containing the cited literature in the back matter, as references are then not linked to citations in the chapters. Instead, include reference lists at the end of each chapter.

#### 4.7.1 Appendix

- The Appendix can be used to provide materials to support the book i.e. additional information and data; recall basic principles or formulae; or fix terminology and notation. However, where possible important information should be provided in the relevant chapter.

- An appendix cannot include a reference list.

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**Tip**

- Include important original content within a chapter or a chapter appendix, not in the textbook appendix, as any appendix in the back matter of a textbook will appear with unrestricted access in the
4.7.2 Index (if applicable)

- If an index is desired, please submit the index entries with the manuscript.

Tip
- Use the indexing function in Word to identify the index term as you write your text and indicate, on average, one or two index entry terms per manuscript page to be included in the index.
- Information should be listed under the term that most readers will probably look at first. Use cross-references to list variations or written-out versions and abbreviations/acronyms.
- If you provide a list with index terms, the index, with page numbers, will be generated by our production partner.

5 Final Check and Submission

- Check the table of contents for the correct sequence of part, chapter and heading numbering and update the chapter titles and subheadings if necessary.
- Save each chapter or contribution, including the accompanying references, figure legends, and tables, in a separate file in the original source file format and give each file your name and the chapter number (e.g., Myers-Chap1). Save the original figure files separately and name them with your name, the chapter, and figure number (e.g., Myers-Fig1.1).
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