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The abstract is maximum one page long and it is written in Times New Roman 12 pt, with 6 pt before, justified alignment. The abstract page is followed by a blank page. The preceding title page, which preferably contains an illustrative picture, is also followed by a blank page. All chapters start at the top of a right hand page, i.e. a page with an odd number.

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Notations

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Description</i>
<i>E</i>	Young's modulus (Pa)
<i>r</i>	Radius (m)
<i>t</i>	Thickness (m)
...	...

Abbreviations

<i>CAD</i>	Computer Aided Design
<i>CAE</i>	Computer Aided Engineering
<i>PLM</i>	Product Lifecycle Management
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1 INTRODUCTION

Use 12 pt Times New Roman, *Italic* and 6 pt before and 12 pt after, to describe the content of this chapter in two or three justified rows, e.g. *this chapter describes the background, the purpose, the limitations and the method(s) used in the presented project.*

Define the background of your project, the purpose of the report, specific descriptions of problems, your research questions, any limitations to the scope of your investigation, and (briefly) your chosen methodology.

1.1 Background

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1.3 Delimitations

It is good practice to define and describe limitations of the project/task in the introductory chapter.

1.4 Method

The method(s) used to address the problem defined above may either be defined in the introductory chapter or elaborated on more in detail in a following chapter.

2 THEORETICAL BACKGROUND

It is necessary to describe the relevant, scientific background knowledge concerning the area in which you will perform your thesis work. One goal of this section is to analyse the literature reviewed and thus specify the direction of your project work. The main goal is for you to build on and expand your existing knowledge to assist you in dealing with the task at hand. This section is ideally structured as describing related work (scientific papers that perform variants of the same investigation as you do), as a theoretical background (scientific papers that deal with the same problem area as you do), or as a theoretical framework (scientific papers that you use to create a theoretical model for explaining your results).

3 METHODOLOGY

Describe the scientific methodology that you have used in your investigation, using an appropriate scientific textbook as a reference. You have been introduced to case studies and experiments in the research methodology course, but you can use other methodologies if you can motivate it. For a case study this section includes a detailed description of your chosen case(s). An experimental study can provide hypotheses here, or in Section B (whichever is most easily read). This section also includes a description of the choices you have made to support the internal validity, external validity and reliability of your investigation.

Note that methodologies can be described as being quantitative or qualitative, but these two words do not describe any specific methodology by themselves.

4 RESULTS/ANALYSIS

Present the results from your study. If appropriate for readability, this section can succinctly compare your empirical results with existing theory in the field and/or your hypotheses. This interpretation/analysis should then be directly related to the papers described in Section 1.

5 DISCUSSION

In this section you discuss your findings. This discussion should answer your research questions in relation to the papers described in Section 1, and possibly other relevant papers. In other words, this section should put your results into perspective considering the results from other studies, the wider discussion in your problem area and/or considering the theoretical models you have used.

Note that this can include an evaluation of your results to highlight e.g., performance improvements of a solution you have investigated, but that this is not enough on its own all improvements must be put into perspective considering relevant aspects of the discussion in associated papers.

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This section should also include a discussion of your results and investigation in relation to ethical, social or sustainability issues.

6 CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

Describe the conclusions of your work and give recommendations on how to proceed with the work.

7 REFERENCES

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APPENDIX A: SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Important, but complementary material/results can be placed in appendices. This includes details of any implementation (practical work stages, etc.), large data sets, etc.

