

The structure of the page files

The structure of the source files for the web pages consist of a header (using YAML syntax) and the page content written in markdown.

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The YAML header

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The first part of each web page describes the page. It is fenced off from the page content proper by --- lines above and beyond. It follows the YAML syntax:

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---
title: text which becomes the title of the page
abstract: typically a multi line text describing the page.
          It becomes the abstract of the page and is shown
          together with the title on the index pages.
author: the author of the page,
        there is a mechanism to suppress this
        for the author of a site
        ([see] (/Essays/SSGdesign/004settings.html))
keywords: some descriptive keywords.
date: 2019-03-05
image: if present a reference to the image file
       which will become the pages banner
       (if blank, the default site banner image is used).
bibliography: a reference to the `bib` file
version: publish or draft
visibility: public or private
---
```

Web page content

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It is followed by the text written as markdown.

- titles are marked with # and ##, which give second and third level titles¹.

For more details of the (Pandoc) markdown syntax [see](#).

Index pages

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The structure of the site is revealed to the user through `index` pages². They list the titles and abstracts of the web pages included in a directory, starting from the `root` in a hierarchy. The pages are clickable and permit navigation³.

The index pages must be started by the author of the site as a file `index.md` with keywords

- `indexPath: true`
- `indexSort: title`

where the `indexSort` field indicates the order in which pages are listed. A sort by `title` sorts the pages by their filename, which permits to use filenames starting with a number to achieve a specific order.

Alternatives are sort by `data` or `reverseDate` (newest first).

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The references can be either absolute to the web root⁴, i.e. the directory in which the `dough` is placed or relative to the location to the current page file⁵.

Remember that the references must include the `.html` extension of the files in the baked form and not the `md` extensio of the original content files.

It is often useful to place the static content in a `resources` directory⁶ in the same directory as the pages for a topic.

Pages rendered as PDF

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For every web page transformed to `html` a corresponding `pdf` is produced, using the KOMA tools for `latex` and rendered as a `scartcl`.

The `pdf` format uses footnotes at the foot of the page, whereas the footnotes in the web output are pushed to the margin⁷. The

¹ The text after the `title:` keyword in the header gives the first level.

² `index.html` files

³ In addition to the ribbon under the banner image which is always linking to the major subdivisions, listed in the `settings` file and clickable `sitename`.

⁴ I.e. starting with `"/`.

⁵ The directory name, not starting with `"/`.

⁶ with exactly this name!

⁷ Tufte style

bibliography in both output formats are at the end of the page.