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INTRODUCTION

Give a brief introduction to the work here, including literature review and problem statement. The following are the general instructions regarding the format and template.

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**Table 1:** Type sizes and styles for the manuscript

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| Category | Font face | Font size | Font style |
| Title | Arial | 24 | Normal |
| Author names | Arial | 11 | Normal |
| Abstract | Times New Roman | 9 | ***Bold Italic*** |
| Main text | Times New Roman | 10 | Normal |
| Section headings | Times New Roman | 10 | Smallcaps |
| Sub-headings | Times New Roman | 10 | *Italic* |
| Figure and Table captions | Times New Roman | 8 | Normal |
| References | Times New Roman | 8 | Normal |

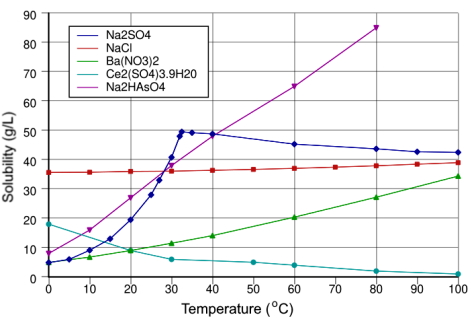
Materials and Methods

*A. Materials*

Give details of all chemicals and equipment used, including model, purity and manufacturer. Make sure that this contain enough information for a third party to be able to reproduce the measurements. Follow SI units and conventions.

*B. Tables and Figures*

Use the abbreviation “Fig. 1,” in the text, even at the beginning of a sentence. Figure labels and axes should be legible. Place the figure labels centred next the respective axes, and do not use abbreviations (Use Temperature, instead of just writing T). Indicate units in the brackets, for example Temperature (K). The maximum width of a single column figure should be limited to 8.36 cm and double column figure should be limited to 17.81 cm.



**Fig. 1:** Solubility vs temperature curves for various salts. Image adapted from Wikimedia under creative commons CC0 1.0 universal public domain license. Make sure that the fonts and lines are legible and the image has good clarity and is non-pixelated.

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Abbreviations and acronyms must be defined at their first use in the text. The acronym should be indicated in the bracket following the first expanded usage (e.g.: open access (OA)). Avoid the use of abbreviations in the title.

*E. References*

Citations must me numbered consecutively in square brackets followed by punctuation [1]. Use of reference managers or inbuilt reference manager in word is encouraged [2]. The reference number can be directly referred in text [3], however use “Reference [3]” when used at the start of a sentence. Follow the style for IEEE journals (see <https://pitt.libguides.com/citationhelp/ieee>). You may make use of reference manager styles for IEEE available from the respective websites of the reference manager of your choice. See details listed in the following paragraph.

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Results and Discussion

Use this section to present the results obtained, further analysis and discussion of the observations, including advantages and limitations of the research conducted. Use of SI units are preferred. Follow the instructions in [4], which is an excellent style manual for technical writing [4].

Conclusion

This section should summarize work presented and the results and inferences drawn. It may also include future directions.

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