Markdown as primary input format

The web pages are written as markdown text, which allows emphasis, titles, references, images, footnotes etc.

Markdown is an easy to learn and versatile. The list possible formatting is quite comprehensive:

"Markdown may not be the right format for you if you find these elements not enough for your writing:

- paragraphs,
- (section) headers,
- block quotations,
- code blocks,
- (numbered and unnumbered) lists,
- horizontal rules,
- tables,
- inline formatting (emphasis, strikeout, superscripts, subscripts, verbatim, and small caps text),
- LaTeX math expressions,
- equations,
- links,
- images,
- footnotes,
- citations,
- theorems,
- · proofs, and
- examples."

In exceptional circumstances additional formatting tricks can be pulled in as HTML code.

¹Bookdown.

1 YAML header

Markdown allows headers to pass metadata about a file (e.g. title, author) in a YAML to processes working on the source text; the format is flexible².

2 Markdown can include images, reference etc.

Markdown allow the inclusion of images, bibliographic references etc. These additional files are stored in ${\tt resources}$ directories³.

References are always absolute with respect to the root⁴ or relative to the current page⁵.

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²But beware of colons, quotes etc.!

 $^{^{3}}$ resources is a reserved word; all other directory names are treated as content directories

 $^{^4}$ starting with a "/"

⁵not starting with "/"