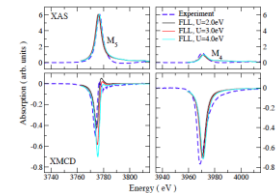


Writing a proposal

The most important point you need to remember is that the person reading your proposal has between 5-8 minutes of his/her time to spend on your proposal!

You must get the message over quickly and succinctly. Long verbose prose is useless and if you fill all available space with small text or complicated figures, the reader will simply give you a low mark and move on to the next proposal. Such a mark dooms you!!



Abstract

Most importantly, start the abstract with *exactly* what you want to do in the experiment. After an initial statement of what you want to, make a brief statement of what significance this result will have.

Scientific case:

This is the part to write about 10 lines on the scientific case and the place to put ONE figure.

Use of beamtime – what you will do and how

Make sure you detail how the beam time will be spent. You will have to ask an expert on this, and the local contacts at facilities are always willing to help. They greatly value both first time users and students.

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- Finally, you must say what difference having this information will make.
- End with a sentence saying that this work is part of the thesis of xxxx.
- Then references

Headings in proposal

- **Abstract**
- **Scientific case**
- **Details and plan for beam time**
- **Results expected and their significance**
- **Is this part of a thesis project?**
- **References**
- Use at most 2 figures and make them legible

You have 2 pages to demonstrate all this