

A page that carries no font

Every one of the lines below is set in a font this file does not hold. A reader draws them from its own store, which is what the standard asks of it, so nothing of the typefaces travels with the document.

Four of the fourteen

Helvetica, the one without serifs.

Times Bold Italic, and it is already accented: déjà, ç, ù, ô, ï.

Courier, where every letter is the same width.

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What it saves

Those four lines, on a page of their own, weigh 5 507 bytes. The same four lines, with one font carried inside the file, weigh 39 684. Both figures are measured by the program that drew this page, not written in by hand.

It is not free. A file claiming an archival or accessibility standard may not do this — those standards want every font carried — and these faces draw only the letters their own encoding reaches, so a writing system outside it needs a font the file does carry.