

# This Way

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Page Ranges  
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Subpage numbers can save you some messing around with page references. Here we show some basics.

This is a simple example of using subpage numbers. Subpage numbers are not automatically kept track of, so you first need to activate them:

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\setupsubpagenumber
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After activating this mechanism, you can access the numbers as follows. The numbers are synchronized in during page building, which means that they are correct when constructing headers and footers.

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There are several ways to access those numbers:

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We will now generate a bunch of fake chapters to illustrate this feature.





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\setvariables
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[title={Page Ranges},
author=Hans Hagen,
affiliation=PRAGMA ADE,
date=Februari 2003,
number=2]
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Subpage numbers can save you some messing around with page references. Here we show some basics.

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\stopbuffer
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\chapter{Knuth} \dorecurse{20}{\input knuth }  
  
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