

## **Abstract**

The bachelor thesis provides an overview of standards and methods used for encoding of pre-modern texts and ways of presenting these texts in digital libraries. The literature review part of the thesis describes the principles for encoding electronic texts created by the TEI consortium and the process of preparing an encoded text. The structure of the TEI Guidelines, its modularity, and the possibilities of describing textual and non-textual elements contained in documents are presented. Furthermore, this part also investigates different ways of presentation of texts in digital libraries, considering current trends and especially the web usability principles. In the practical part of the thesis, selected digital libraries are analysed according to a checklist created on the basis of the theoretical part. Three main areas are examined: ways of presenting texts, including their encoding, interoperability aspects and compliance with usability principles. The information obtained is evaluated and put in the context of the theory at the end of the thesis.

## **Keywords:**

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