The pdfcolparallel package

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Abstract

This packages fixes bugs in parallel and improves color support by using several color stacks that are provided by pdfTeX since version 1.40.

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1 Usage

\usepackage{pdfcolparallel}

The package $\mathsf{pdfcolparallel}$ loads package $\mathsf{parallel}$ [1] and redefines some macros to fix bugs.

If color stacks are available then package $\mathsf{parallel}$ is further patched to support them.

1.1 Option rulebetweencolor

Package pdfcolparallel also fixes the color for the rule between columns. Default color is \normalcolor. But this can be changed by using option rulebetweencolor for \setkeys{parallel} (see package keyval). The option takes a color specification as value. If the value is empty, then the default (\normalcolor) is used. Examples:

1.2 Future

If there will be a new version of package parallel that adds support for color stacks, then this package may become obsolete.

2 Implementation

2.1 Identification

```
1 (*package)
2 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
3 \ProvidesPackage{pdfcolparallel}%
4 [2010/01/11 v1.3 Color stacks support for parallel (HO)]%
```

2.2 Load and fix package parallel

Package parallel is loaded. Before options of package pdfcolparallel are passed to package parallel.

```
5 \DeclareOption*{%
6  \PassoptionsToPackage{\CurrentOption}{parallel}%
7 }
8 \ProcessOptions\relax
9 \RequirePackage{parallel}[2003/04/13]
10 \RequirePackage{infwarerr}[2007/09/09]
```

\pcp@ColorPatch

```
11 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
12 \expandafter\ifx\csname currentgrouplevel\endcsname\relax
    \def\pcp@ColorPatch{}%
14 \else
    \def\pcp@ColorPatch{%
15
16
      \@ifundefined{set@color}{%
17
         \gdef\pcp@ColorPatch{}%
18
      }{%
         \gdef\pcp@ColorPatch{%
19
           \gdef\pcp@ColorResets{}%
20
21
           \bgroup
22
           \aftergroup\pcp@ColorResets
23
           \aftergroup\egroup
           \let\pcp@OrgSetColor\set@color
24
25
           \let\set@color\pcp@SetColor
26
           \edef\pcp@GroupLevel{\the\currentgrouplevel}%
27
        ጉ%
      }%
28
      \pcp@ColorPatch
29
    }%
30
```

```
\pcp@SetColor
                      31
                           \def\pcp@SetColor{%
                             \ifnum\pcp@GroupLevel=\currentgrouplevel
                      32
                               \let\pcp@OrgAfterGroup\aftergroup
                      33
                      34
                               \def\aftergroup{%
                      35
                                 \g@addto@macro\pcp@ColorResets
                      36
                               \pcp@OrgSetColor
                      37
                               \let\aftergroup\pcp@OrgAfterGroup
                      38
                      39
                               \pcp@OrgSetColor
                      40
                             \fi
                      41
                      42
                          }%
                      43 \fi
\pcp@CmdCheckRedef
                      44 \def\pcp@CmdCheckRedef#1{%
                          \begingroup
                      45
                             \def\pcp@cmd{#1}%
                      46
                      47
                             \afterassignment\pcp@CmdDo
                      48
                             \long\def\reserved@a
                      49 }
                      50 \def\pcp@CmdDo{%
                      51
                             \expandafter\ifx\pcp@cmd\reserved@a
                      52
                             \else
                               \edef\x*{\expandafter\string\pcp@cmd}%
                      53
                               \@PackageWarningNoLine{pdfcolparallel}{%
                      54
                                 Command \x* has changed.\MessageBreak
                      55
                                 Supported versions of package `parallel':\MessageBreak
                      56
                                 \space\space 2003/04/13\MessageBreak
                      57
                                 The redefinition of \x* may\MessageBreak
                      58
                                 not behave correctly depending on the changes%
                      59
                               }%
                      60
                      61
                             \fi
                      62
                           \expandafter\endgroup
                      63
                           \expandafter\def\pcp@cmd
                      64 }
                      65 \def\pcp@SwitchStack#1#2{}
                      66 \def\pcp@SetCurrent#1{}
    \ParallelLText
                      67 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelLText{%
                          \everypar{}%
                      69
                           \@restorepar
                          \begingroup
                      70
                             \hbadness=3000 %
                      71
                             \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
                      72
                             \ParallelWhichBox=0 %
                      73
                             \global\setbox\ParallelLBox=\vbox\bgroup
                      74
                               \hsize=\ParallelLWidth
                      75
                               \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
                      76
                      77
                      78
                                 \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
                      79
                                 \left| \right| x=%
                      80 }{%
                           \everypar{}%
                      81
                           \@restorepar
                      82
                           \@nobreakfalse
                      83
                           \begingroup
                      84
                             \hbadness=3000 %
                      85
                             \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
```

```
\ParallelWhichBox=0 %
                        87
                               \global\setbox\ParallelLBox=\vbox\bgroup
                        88
                                  \hsize=\ParallelLWidth
                        89
                                  \linewidth=\ParallelLWidth
                        90
                        91
                                  \pcp@SwitchStack{Left}\ParallelLBox
                        92
                                  \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
                        93
                                  \pcp@ColorPatch
                        94
                                  \begingroup
                                    \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
                        95
                                    \left| x=\right|
                        96
                        97 }
      \ParallelRText
                        98 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelRText{%
                             \everypar{}%
                        100
                             \@restorepar
                        101
                             \begingroup
                               \hbadness=3000 %
                       102
                               \ifnum\ParallelFNMode=\@ne
                       103
                                 \let\footnote=\ParallelRFootnote
                       104
                       105
                                  \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
                        106
                        107
                               \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
                        108
                               \global\setbox\ParallelRBox=\vbox\bgroup
                        109
                                  \hsize=\ParallelRWidth
                        110
                       111
                                  \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
                       112
                                 \begingroup
                                    \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
                       113
                                    \left| x=\right|
                       114
                       115 }{%
                       116
                             \everypar{}%
                       117
                             \@restorepar
                       118
                             \@nobreakfalse
                       119
                             \begingroup
                               \hbadness=3000 %
                        120
                        121
                               \ifnum\ParallelFNMode=\@ne
                       122
                                 \let\footnote=\ParallelRFootnote
                       123
                               \else
                                 \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
                       124
                               \fi
                       125
                               \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
                       126
                               \global\setbox\ParallelRBox=\vbox\bgroup
                       127
                        128
                                  \hsize=\ParallelRWidth
                        129
                                  \linewidth=\ParallelRWidth
                        130
                                  \pcp@SwitchStack{Right}\ParallelRBox
                        131
                                  \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
                        132
                                  \pcp@ColorPatch
                       133
                                  \begingroup
                        134
                                    \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
                                    \left| x=\right|
                       135
                       136 }
\ParallelParTwoPages
                       137 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelParTwoPages{%
                        138
                             \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
                        139
                               \par
                       140
                               \begingroup
                       141
                                  \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
                       142
                                  \newpage
                                 \vbadness=10000 %
                       143
                                 \vfuzz=3ex %
                       144
                                 \splittopskip=\z@skip
                       145
```

```
146
          \loop%
            \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne%
147
              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
148
                 \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
149
150
                   \mathbb{\mbox} %
151
                   \newpage
152
                 \else
153
                   \global\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
                 \fi
154
              \else
155
                 \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
156
                   \mbox{} %
157
158
                   \newpage
                 \else
159
                   \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
160
                 \fi
161
              \fi
162
              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
163
                 \ifodd\thepage
164
165
                   \mathbb{\mbox} %
                   \newpage
166
                 \fi
167
                 \hbox to\textwidth{%
168
                   \vbox{\vsplit\ParallelLBox to.98\textheight}%
169
                }%
170
171
              \else
                 \ifodd\thepage\relax
172
173
                 \else
                   \mathbb{\mbox} %
174
175
                   \newpage
                 \fi
176
177
                 \hbox to\textwidth{%
                   \vbox{\vsplit\ParallelRBox to.98\textheight}%
178
                }%
179
              \fi
180
              \vspace*{\fill}%
181
182
              \newpage
            \fi
183
            \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
184
              \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
185
                 \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
186
              \fi
187
            \fi
188
189
          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
190
          \repeat
191
          \par
192
        \endgroup
193
     \fi
194 }{%
```

Additional fixes:

- Unnecessary white space removed.
- \ifodd\thepage changed to \ifodd\value{page}.

```
\ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
195
196
       \par
197
       \begingroup
          \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
198
          \newpage
199
         \vbadness=10000 %
200
         \vfuzz=3ex %
201
         \splittopskip=\z@skip
202
```

```
203
          \loop%
            \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne%
204
              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
205
206
                 \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
207
                   \mbox{}\%
208
                   \newpage
209
                 \else
                   \verb|\global\ParallelWhichBox=\z0| \\
210
                \fi
211
              \else
212
                 \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
213
                  \null
214
215
                   \newpage
216
                 \else
217
                   \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
                \fi
218
              \fi
219
              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
220
                 \ifodd\value{page}%
221
222
                   \null
                   \newpage
223
                 \fi
224
                 \hbox to\textwidth{%
225
                   \pcp@SetCurrent{Left}%
226
227
                   \setbox\z@=\vsplit\ParallelLBox to.98\textheight
228
                   \vbox to.98\textheight{%
229
                     \@texttop
230
                     \unvbox\z0
231
                     \@textbottom
                  }%
232
                }%
233
234
              \else
                 \ifodd\value{page}%
235
                 \else
236
237
                   \mbox{}\%
238
                  \newpage
239
                \fi
                 \hbox to\textwidth{%
240
                  \pcp@SetCurrent{Right}%
241
                   \setbox\z@=\vsplit\ParallelRBox to.98\textheight
242
                   \vbox to.98\textheight{%
243
                     \@texttop
244
                     \unvbox\z@
245
246
                     \@textbottom
247
                  }%
                }%
248
249
              \fi
250
              \vspace*{\fill}%
251
              \newpage
            \fi
252
            \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
253
              \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
254
                 \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
255
              \fi
256
            \fi
257
258
          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
259
          \repeat
260
          \par
261
        \endgroup
        \pcp@SetCurrent{}%
262
     \fi
263
264 }
```

2.3Color stack support

```
265 \RequirePackage{pdfcol}[2007/12/12]
                   266 \ifpdfcolAvailable
                   267 \else
                        \PackageInfo{pdfcolparallel}{%
                   268
                           Loading aborted, because color stacks are not available%
                   269
                   270
                   271
                         \expandafter\endinput
                   272 \fi
                   273 \pdfcolInitStack{pcp@Left}
                   274 \pdfcolInitStack{pcp@Right}
        \pcp@Box
                   275 \newbox\pcp@Box
\pcp@SwitchStack
                   276 \def\pcp@SwitchStack#1#2{%
                        \pdfcolSwitchStack{pcp@#1}%
                   277
                   278
                         \global\setbox\pcp@Box=\vbox to Opt{%
                           \pdfcolSetCurrentColor
                   279
                        }%
                   280
                         \aftergroup\pcp@FixBox
                   281
                        \aftergroup#2%
                   282
                   283 }
     \pcp@FixBox
                   284 \def\pcp@FixBox#1{%
                        \verb|\global\setbox#1=\vbox{{|}}|
                   285
                           \unvbox\pcp@Box
                   286
                   287
                           \unvbox#1%
                   288
                   289 }
 \pcp@SetCurrent
                   290 \def\pcp@SetCurrent#1{%
                        \ifx\\#1\\%
                   291
                           \pdfcolSetCurrent{}%
                   292
                   293
                        \else
                           \pdfcolSetCurrent{pcp@#1}%
                   294
                   295
                        \fi
                   296 }
```

Redefinitions 2.4

\ParallelParOnePage

```
297 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelParOnePage{\%}
     \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
298
299
       \par
       \begingroup
300
301
          \leftmargin=\z@
302
          \rightmargin=\z0
303
          \parskip=\z@skip
304
          \parindent=\z@
          \vbadness=10000 %
305
306
          \vfuzz=3ex %
          \splittopskip=\z@skip
307
          \loop
308
            \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
309
310
              \noindent
              \hbox to\textwidth{%
311
312
                \hskip\ParallelLeftMargin
```

```
\hbox to\ParallelTextWidth{%
313
                  \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
314
                     \hskip\ParallelLWidth
315
                  \else
316
317
                     \ParallelWhichBox=\z@
318
                     \vbox{%
319
                       \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
320
                           =\vsplit\ParallelLBox to\dp\strutbox
                       \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
321
                    }%
322
                  \fi
323
                  \strut
324
                  \ifnum\ParallelBoolMid=\@ne
325
326
                     \hskip\ParallelMainMidSkip
327
                     \vrule
328
                  \else
329
                     \hss
                  \fi
330
                  \hss
331
332
                  \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
                     \hskip\ParallelRWidth
333
                   \else
334
                     \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
335
                     \vbox{%
336
337
                       \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
338
                           =\vsplit\ParallelRBox to\dp\strutbox
339
                       \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
                    }%
340
341
                  \fi
                }%
342
              }%
343
              \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
344
345
                \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
                  \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
346
347
                \fi
348
              \fi%
349
            \fi%
          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
350
351
            \penalty\interlinepenalty
352
          \repeat
          \par
353
354
        \endgroup
     \fi
355
356 }{%
357
     \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
358
       \par
359
       \begingroup
360
          \left| \cdot \right| = \z0
361
          \rightmargin=\z@
362
          \parskip=\z@skip
          \parindent=\z@
363
          \vbadness=10000 %
364
          \vfuzz=3ex %
365
366
          \splittopskip=\z@skip
367
          \loop
368
            \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
369
              \noindent
370
              \hbox to\textwidth{%
                \hskip\ParallelLeftMargin
371
                \hbox to\ParallelTextWidth{%
372
                  \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
373
                     \hskip\ParallelLWidth
374
```

```
\else
                                                                                     375
                                                                                                                                            \pcp@SetCurrent{Left}%
                                                                                     376
                                                                                                                                            \ParallelWhichBox=\z@
                                                                                     377
                                                                                                                                            \vbox{%
                                                                                     378
                                                                                     379
                                                                                                                                                  \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
                                                                                     380
                                                                                                                                                             =\vsplit\ParallelLBox to\dp\strutbox
                                                                                     381
                                                                                                                                                  \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
                                                                                                                                           }%
                                                                                     382
                                                                                                                                      \fi
                                                                                     383
                                                                                                                                      \strut
                                                                                     384
                                                                                                                                      \ifnum\ParallelBoolMid=\@ne
                                                                                     385
                                                                                                                                            \hskip\ParallelMainMidSkip
                                                                                     386
                                                                                     387
                                                                                                                                            \begingroup
                                                                                                                                                  \pcp@RuleBetweenColor
                                                                                     388
                                                                                                                                                  \vrule
                                                                                     389
                                                                                     390
                                                                                                                                            \endgroup
                                                                                     391
                                                                                                                                      \else
                                                                                     392
                                                                                                                                            \hss
                                                                                                                                       \fi
                                                                                     393
                                                                                     394
                                                                                                                                       \hss
                                                                                                                                      \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
                                                                                     395
                                                                                                                                            \hskip\ParallelRWidth
                                                                                     396
                                                                                     397
                                                                                                                                            \pcp@SetCurrent{Right}%
                                                                                     398
                                                                                                                                            \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
                                                                                     399
                                                                                     400
                                                                                                                                            \vbox{%
                                                                                                                                                  \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
                                                                                     401
                                                                                                                                                             =\vsplit\ParallelRBox to\dp\strutbox
                                                                                     402
                                                                                     403
                                                                                                                                                  \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
                                                                                                                                           ጉ%
                                                                                     404
                                                                                                                                      \fi
                                                                                     405
                                                                                     406
                                                                                                                                }%
                                                                                                                           }%
                                                                                     407
                                                                                                                           \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
                                                                                     408
                                                                                                                                 \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
                                                                                     409
                                                                                     410
                                                                                                                                      \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
                                                                                     411
                                                                                                                                 \fi
                                                                                                                           \fi%
                                                                                     412
                                                                                                                     \fi%
                                                                                     413
                                                                                                                \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
                                                                                     414
                                                                                                                     \penalty\interlinepenalty
                                                                                     415
                                                                                     416
                                                                                                                \repeat
                                                                                                                \par
                                                                                     417
                                                                                     418
                                                                                                          \endgroup
                                                                                     419
                                                                                                          \pcp@SetCurrent{}%
                                                                                     420
                                                                                                    \fi
                                                                                     421 }
\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
                                                                                     422 \def\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault{%
                                                                                     423 \normalcolor
                                                                                     424 }
                    \pcp@RuleBetweenColor
                                                                                     425 \let\pcp@RuleBetweenColor\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
                                                                                     426 \RequirePackage{keyval}
                                                                                     427 \end{fine} \end{fine} {\tt frule} \end{fine} {\tt frule} \end{fine} \end{fi
                                                                                     428
                                                                                                    \edef\pcp@temp{#1}%
                                                                                     429
                                                                                                    \ifx\pcp@temp\@empty
                                                                                                          \let\pcp@RuleBetweenColor\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
                                                                                     430
                                                                                                    \else
                                                                                     431
                                                                                                          \ensuremath{\texttt{def}\pcp@temp{%}}
                                                                                     432
```

```
\noexpand\@ifnextchar[{%
                  433
                              \def\noexpand\pcp@RuleBetweenColor{%
                  434
                                 \noexpand\color\pcp@temp
                  435
                  436
                  437
                              \noexpand\pcp@GobbleNil
                  438
                            }{%
                              \verb|\def| noexpand| pcp@RuleBetweenColor{%| } \\
                  439
                                \noexpand\color{\pcp@temp}%
                  440
                  441
                              \noexpand\pcp@GobbleNil
                  442
                  443
                            \pcp@temp\noexpand\@nil
                  444
                  445
                          \pcp@temp
                  446
                        \fi
                  447
                  448 }
\pcp@GobbleNil
                  449 \end{def\pcp@GobbleNil#1\end{def}}
                  450 (/package)
```

3 Test

The test file is a modified version of the file that Alexander Hirsch has posted in de.comp.text.tex: "parallel.sty und farbiger Text" 1

```
451 (*test1)
452 \AtEndDocument{%
    \typeout{}%
454
    455
    \typeout{*** \space Check the PDF file manually! \space ***}%
    456
457
    \typeout{}%
458 }
459 \documentclass{article}
460 \usepackage{xcolor}
461 \usepackage{pdfcolparallel}[2010/01/11]
462
463 \begin{document}
464
    \color{green}%
465
    Green%
    \begin{Parallel}{0.47\textwidth}{0.47\textwidth}%
466
      \ParallelLText{%
467
        \textcolor{red}{%
468
          Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
469
          Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
470
471
        }%
      }%
472
      \ParallelRText{%
473
        \textcolor{blue}{%
474
475
          Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
476
          Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
        }%
477
      }%
478
      \ParallelPar
479
      \ParallelLText{%
480
        Default %
481
482
        \color{red}%
        Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
483
        Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
```

¹Url: http://groups.google.com/group/de.comp.text.tex/msg/6a759cf33bb071a5

```
}%
485
       \ParallelRText{%
486
         Default %
487
         \color{blue}%
488
         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
489
490
         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
491
492
       \ParallelPar
       \ParallelLText{%
493
         \begin{enumerate}%
494
         \item left text, left text, left text, %
495
               left text, left text, left text, left text,%
496
         \item left text, left text, left text, left text, %
497
               left text, left text, left text, left text.%
498
         \end{enumerate}%
499
500
       }%
       \ParallelRText{%
501
         \begin{enumerate}%
502
         \item right text, right text, right text, right text, %
503
504
               right text, right text, right text, right text.%
         \item right text, right text, right text, right text, \%
505
               right text, right text, right text, right text.%
506
507
         \end{enumerate}%
       }%
508
     \end{Parallel}%
509
     \begin{Parallel}[p]{\textwidth}{\textwidth}%
510
511
       \ParallelLText{%
512
         \textcolor{red}{%
513
           Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
           Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
514
           Foo bar bla bla bla.%
515
516
         }%
517
         \par
         Und noch ein Absatz.%
518
519
520
       \ParallelRText{%
521
         \textcolor{blue}{%
522
           Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
523
           Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
           Foo bar bla bla bla.%
524
         }%
525
       }%
526
     \end{Parallel}%
527
528
     \begin{Parallel}[p]{\textwidth}{\textwidth}%
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         \rule{1pt}{.98\textheight}\Huge g%
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       \ParallelRText{%
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         \rule{1pt}{.98\textheight}y%
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       }%
     \end{Parallel}%
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     Green%
537 \end{document}
538 (/test1)
```

4 Installation

4.1 Download

Package. This package is available on CTAN²:

²ftp://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/

CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.dtx The source file.

CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.pdf Documentation.

Bundle. All the packages of the bundle 'oberdiek' are also available in a TDS compliant ZIP archive. There the packages are already unpacked and the documentation files are generated. The files and directories obey the TDS standard.

```
CTAN:install/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek.tds.zip
```

TDS refers to the standard "A Directory Structure for TEX Files" (CTAN:tds/tds.pdf). Directories with texmf in their name are usually organized this way.

4.2 Bundle installation

Unpacking. Unpack the oberdiek.tds.zip in the TDS tree (also known as texmf tree) of your choice. Example (linux):

```
unzip oberdiek.tds.zip -d ~/texmf
```

Script installation. Check the directory TDS:scripts/oberdiek/ for scripts that need further installation steps. Package attachfile2 comes with the Perl script pdfatfi.pl that should be installed in such a way that it can be called as pdfatfi. Example (linux):

```
chmod +x scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl
cp scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl /usr/local/bin/
```

4.3 Package installation

Unpacking. The .dtx file is a self-extracting docstrip archive. The files are extracted by running the .dtx through plain TEX:

```
{\tt tex} \ {\tt pdfcolparallel.dtx}
```

TDS. Now the different files must be moved into the different directories in your installation TDS tree (also known as texmf tree):

```
 \begin{array}{lll} pdfcolparallel.sty & \rightarrow tex/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.sty \\ pdfcolparallel.pdf & \rightarrow doc/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.pdf \\ test/pdfcolparallel-test1.tex & \rightarrow doc/latex/oberdiek/test/pdfcolparallel-test1.tex \\ pdfcolparallel.dtx & \rightarrow source/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.dtx \\ \end{array}
```

If you have a docstrip.cfg that configures and enables docstrip's TDS installing feature, then some files can already be in the right place, see the documentation of docstrip.

4.4 Refresh file name databases

If your TEX distribution (teTEX, mikTEX, ...) relies on file name databases, you must refresh these. For example, teTEX users run texhash or mktexlsr.

4.5 Some details for the interested

Attached source. The PDF documentation on CTAN also includes the .dtx source file. It can be extracted by AcrobatReader 6 or higher. Another option is pdftk, e.g. unpack the file into the current directory:

```
pdftk pdfcolparallel.pdf unpack_files output .
```

Unpacking with LATEX. The .dtx chooses its action depending on the format:

plain T_EX: Run docstrip and extract the files.

LATEX: Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using LATEX for docstrip (really, docstrip does not need LATEX), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=y\input{pdfcolparallel.dtx}
```

Do not forget to quote the argument according to the demands of your shell.

Generating the documentation. You can use both the .dtx or the .drv to generate the documentation. The process can be configured by the configuration file ltxdoc.cfg. For instance, put this line into this file, if you want to have A4 as paper format:

```
\PassOptionsToClass{a4paper}{article}
```

An example follows how to generate the documentation with pdfIATEX:

```
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist pdfcolparallel.idx
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist pdfcolparallel.idx
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
```

5 Catalogue

The following XML file can be used as source for the TeX Catalogue. The elements caption and description are imported from the original XML file from the Catalogue. The name of the XML file in the Catalogue is pdfcolparallel.xml.

```
539 (*catalogue)
540 <?xml version='1.0' encoding='us-ascii'?>
541 < !\, \texttt{DOCTYPE} entry SYSTEM 'catalogue.dtd'>
542 <entry datestamp='$Date$' modifier='$Author$' id='pdfcolparallel'>
    <name>pdfcolparallel</name>
543
    <caption>Fix colour problems in package 'parallel'.</caption>
544
    <authorref id='auth:oberdiek'/>
545
546 <copyright owner='Heiko Oberdiek' year='2007,2008,2010'/>
547 cense type='lppl1.3'/>
    <version number='1.3'/>
548
549
    <description>
550
       Since version 1.40 pdfTeX supports colour stacks.
       This package uses them to fix colour problems in
551
       package <xref refid='parallel'>parallel</xref>.
552
       553
       The package is part of the xref refid='oberdiek'>oberdiek
554
555
       bundle.
556
     </description>
     <documentation details='Package documentation'</pre>
557
         href='ctan:/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.pdf'/>
558
559
     <ctan file='true' path='/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.dtx'/>
     <miktex location='oberdiek'/>
560
     <texlive location='oberdiek'/>
561
    <install path='/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/oberdiek.tds.zip'/>
562
563 </entry>
564 (/catalogue)
```

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7 History

[2007/09/09 v1.0]

• First version.

[2007/12/12 v1.1]

- Adds patch for setting \linewidth to fix bug in package parallel.
- Package parallel is also fixed if color stacks are not available.
- Bug fix, switched stacks now initialized with current color.
- Fix for package parallel: \raggedbottom is respected.

[2008/08/11 v1.2]

- Code is not changed.
- URLs updated.

[2010/01/11 v1.3]

• Option 'rulebetweencolor' added.

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