TeX Live Typesetting Software

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The following notes document the steps to install TeX Live on OpenIndiana Hipster and how to update it using the tlmgr TeX Live package management tool.

To test a virtual machine running TeXLive on OpenIndiana, you can also run the texlive2021 example Vagrantfiles in the vagrantfiles repository:

git clone https://github.com/openindiana/vagrantfiles

1 TeX Live tlmgr Management Tool

The TeX Live Management Tool has both a command line interface and a GUI. The GUI (tlmgr gui) uses Perl Tk and works on OpenIndiana. The following screenshot illustrates tlmgr and the Opendiana MATE desktop:

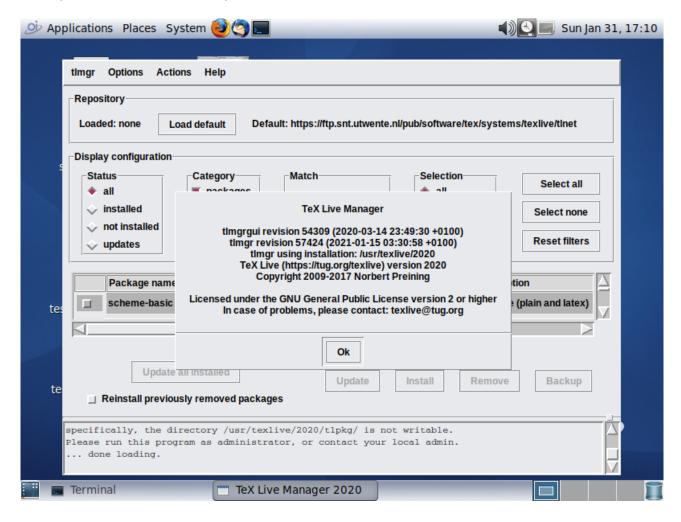


Figure 1: oi-tlmgr

2 TeX Live Cross Platform Installer

See the full TeX Live guide at http://tug.org/texlive for detailed information.

Download the TeX Live Cross Platform Installer from http://mirror.ctan.org/systems/texlive/tlnet/install-tl-unx.tar.gz.

There is a script in this package, called install-tl. The goal is to install TeX Live using the cross platform installer as follows:

```
# install-tl
```

Before doing so, create a special BE (Boot Environment) if you plan to install TeX Live as root (installing as non-root user is recommended by TeX Live).

```
# beadm create -a texlive
```

Alternatively create a snapshot of the BE to have a possibility to rollback.

The install-tl script installs a utility called tlmgr, the package management utility for TeX Live and, in principle, tlmgr is able to remove (uninstall) a TeX Live installation:

```
# tlmgr remove --all
If you answer yes here the whole TeX Live installation here,
under /usr/texlive/2020, will be removed!
Remove TeX Live (y/N): y
Ok, removing the whole installation:
```

A snapshot of the old BE or a special BE for TeX Live, allows one to rollback to the situation before install without having to use tlmgr to uninstall.

After rebooting into a new BE, run the perl installer script:

```
# install-tl --help
```

If you wish to use the TeX Live GUI, install the OpenIndiana Perl Tk package (the tk-perl IPS package is available on OpenIndiana release 2022 or higher):

```
# pkg install -v tk-perl
```

Then run the TeX Live installer GUI as follows:

```
# install-tl --gui
```

The next section discusses the interactive mode of the install-tl script.

3 TeX Live Cross Platform Installer Main Menus

The cross platform installer version 57337 of install-tl incorrectly identifies OpenIndiana as Solaris on Intel:

```
./install-tl --version
install-tl (TeX Live Cross Platform Installer) revision 57337
TeX Live (https://tug.org/texlive) version 2020
```

The command to detect the platform is:

```
./install-tl --print-arch
i386-solaris
```

This is incorrect, but it may work in some cases. Because OpenIndiana and Solaris are different systems, it may be necessary to download a TeX Live Cross Platform Installer script from the tlnet-archive, and use it with a –repository option. For example, to install TeX Live 2023:

```
# ./install-tl --repository https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2023/10/10/tlnet/
```

It is also possible to download custom binaries, and install and use TeX Live with binaries that are not part of the original distribution:

```
# ./install-tl --custom-bin=/tmp/foobin
```

See the instructions at http://tug.org/texlive/custom-bin.html for detailed information.

The main menus in interactive mode are:

```
./install-tl
Loading http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet/tlpkg/texlive.tlpdb
Installing TeX Live 2020 from: http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet (verified)
Platform: i386-solaris => 'Solaris on Intel x86'
Distribution: net (downloading)
Using URL: http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet
Directory for temporary files: /tmp/eCcsGDKJWY
========= TeX Live installation procedure <=============
=====>
         Letters/digits in <angle brackets> indicate
                                                       <=====
         menu items for actions or customizations
=====>
                                                       <=====
 Detected platform: Solaris on Intel x86
 <B> set binary platforms: 1 out of 16
 <S> set installation scheme: scheme-full
 <C> set installation collections:
 40 collections out of 41, disk space required: 7130 MB
 <D> set directories:
  TEXDIR (the main TeX directory):
 !! default location: /usr/local/texlive/2020
 <0> options:
   [ ] use letter size instead of A4 by default
   [X] allow execution of restricted list of programs via \write18
   [X] create all format files
   [X] install macro/font doc tree
   [X] install macro/font source tree
   [ ] create symlinks to standard directories
 <V> set up for portable installation
Actions:
 <I> start installation to hard disk
 <P> save installation profile to 'texlive.profile' and exit
 <H> help
 <Q> quit
```

Enter command:

To add the 64bit executables go into menu "B":

```
Available platforms:
```

```
a [ ] Cygwin on Intel x86 (i386-cygwin)
b [ ] Cygwin on x86_64 (x86_64-cygwin)
```

- c [] MacOSX current (10.13-) on x86_64 (x86_64-darwin)
- d [] MacOSX legacy (10.6-) on x86_64 (x86_64-darwinlegacy)
- e [] FreeBSD on x86_64 (amd64-freebsd)
- f [] FreeBSD on Intel x86 (i386-freebsd)
- g [] GNU/Linux on ARM64 (aarch64-linux)
- h [] GNU/Linux on ARMv6/RPi (armhf-linux)
- i [] GNU/Linux on Intel x86 (i386-linux)
- j [] GNU/Linux on x86_64 (x86_64-linux)
- k [] GNU/Linux on x86_64 with musl (x86_64-linuxmusl)
- 1 [] NetBSD on x86_64 (amd64-netbsd)
- m [] NetBSD on Intel x86 (i386-netbsd)
- o [X] Solaris on Intel x86 (i386-solaris)
- p [] Solaris on x86_64 (x86_64-solaris)
- s [] Windows (win32)

Select "p" to add Solaris on x86 64 for the TeX Live binaries for that architecture.

TeX Live works with "schemes"; the basic scheme (TeX and latex) requires about 270 MB of space :

```
Select scheme:
```

```
a [ ] full scheme (everything)
```

- b [] medium scheme (small + more packages and languages)
- c [] small scheme (basic + xetex, metapost, a few languages)
- d [X] basic scheme (plain and latex)
- e [] minimal scheme (plain only)
- f [] ConTeXt scheme
- g [] GUST TeX Live scheme
- h [] infrastructure-only scheme (no TeX at all)
- i [] teTeX scheme (more than medium, but nowhere near full)
- j [] custom selection of collections

Actions: (disk space required: 270 MB)

<R> return to main menu

<Q> quit

The default installation is going to /usr/local/texlive/2020, but in the Directories menu this can be changed :

Directories customization:

<1> TEXDIR: /usr/texlive/2020

```
main tree: /usr/texlive/2020/texmf-dist
```

```
<2> TEXMFLOCAL: /usr/texlive/texmf-local
<3> TEXMFSYSVAR: /usr/texlive/2020/texmf-var
<4> TEXMFSYSCONFIG: /usr/texlive/2020/texmf-config
```

<5> TEXMFVAR: ~/.texlive2020/texmf-var
<6> TEXMFCONFIG: ~/.texlive2020/texmf-config

<7> TEXMFHOME: ~/texmf

The installer can also create symbolic links such as /usr/bin/tex to the /usr/texlive/2020 binaries, as can be set in the Options menu:

Options customization:

4 TeX Live Package Manager Queries

After installation of TeX Live, it is possible to make queries on what is exactly installed:

```
# tlmgr info schemes
i scheme-basic: basic scheme (plain and latex)
    scheme-context: ConTeXt scheme
    scheme-full: full scheme (everything)
    scheme-gust: GUST TeX Live scheme
i scheme-infraonly: infrastructure-only scheme (no TeX at all)
    scheme-medium: medium scheme (small + more packages and languages)
i scheme-minimal: minimal scheme (plain only)
    scheme-small: small scheme (basic + xetex, metapost, a few languages)
    scheme-tetex: teTeX scheme (more than medium, but nowhere near full)
```

The above output shows that scheme-minimal, scheme-infraonly and scheme-basic were installed.

New updates can be retrieved from the repository. Unless a special repository was used during installation (with the –repository switch for install-tl), the output of the default package repository can be something like:

```
# tlmgr option repository
Default package repository (repository): http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet
Information on specific packages can be obtained with tlmgr:
```

```
# tlmgr info babel
package: babel
category: Package
```

shortdesc: Multilingual support for Plain TeX or LaTeX

longdesc: This package manages culturally-determined typographical (and other)

→ rules for a wide range of languages. A document may select a single language to

→ be supported, or it may select several, in which case the document may switch

→ from one language to another in a variety of ways. Babel uses contributed

→ configuration files that provide the detail of what has to be done for each

→ language. Included is also a set of ini files for about 200 languages. Many

→ language styles work with pdfLaTeX, as well as with XeLaTeX and LuaLaTeX, out of

 \hookrightarrow the box. A few even work with plain formats.

installed: Yes revision: 57530

sizes: src: 1469k, doc: 809k, run: 3729k

relocatable: No
cat-version: 3.53
cat-license: lppl1.3
cat-topics: multilingual
cat-related: polyglossia

cat-contact-repository: https://github.com/latex3/babel
cat-contact-bugs: https://github.com/latex3/babel/issues

collection: collection-latex

5 TeX Live Updating

Suppose that you have installed a version of TeX Live from a specific date :

./install-tl --repository https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2020/12/28/tlnet/ After installation, you have TeX Live from December 28, 2020.

It is possible then to change the repository and update to the latest version.

```
# tlmgr option repository https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2021/01/28/tlnet tlmgr: setting default package repository to

https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2021/01/28/tlnet tlmgr: updating /usr/texlive/2020/tlpkg/texlive.tlpdb
```

To update the packages of TeX Live to the default repository:

```
# tlmgr update --all
```

The TeX Live package management tool has its own mechanism of making backups:

/usr/texlive/2020/tlpkg/backups

6 Removing TeX Live

In principle, tlmgr is able to remove (uninstall) a TeX Live installation:

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If you answer yes here the whole TeX Live installation here,
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Remove TeX Live (y/N): y
Ok, removing the whole installation:
```

If you have made a BE (boot environment) from before the TeX Live installation you can also rollback to an older BE as an alternative to uninstalling the software with tlmgr.