mindflow, write your ideas in a clear way

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1. Introduction

The mindflow package provides you a way to write your ideas and annotations clearly. For exmaple, with the options linenumber and rightmarker, you will get:

What to write next:	*
• usage;	*
some internal macros;	*
an example maybe;	*
• the complete code.	*

2. Usage

2.1 Initialization

Simply load the package with

```
\usepackage{mindflow}
```

There are a few options available, which are listed in the next subsection.

2.2 Options

By default, the environment has no line numbers or markers. You can use the following options:

linenumber Same as leftlinenumber leftlinenumber Enable left line numbers rightlinenumber Enable right line numbers

Enable left marker, by default it is a "*" leftmarker Enable right marker, by default it is a "*" rightmarker incolumn or twocolumn The separation line would fit in the column

(automatically applied in two-column documents)

Hide all the mindflow environments

{mindflow} Then you can use the mindflow environment as

```
\begin{mindflow}
    ⟨text⟩
\end{mindflow}
```

2.3 *About the line numbers*

- You can also add line numbers to the other part of your document in the usual way. For
- example, line numbers have been turned on for this paragraph with \linenumbers.
 - Line numbers within the mindflow environments are independent from those of the main text.
- (I recommend that you put an empty line before and after the mindflow environments, i.e. make
- the mindflow environment a paragraph of its own. This way, your paragraph structure won't get
- *changed when you use the* **off** *option.*)

The feature of line numbering is provided by the package lineno. You can read its documentation to learn more about it. Notice that, by default, displayed equations are not numbered. You can add the following line before \usepackage{mindflow}:

```
\PassOptionsToPackage{mathlines}{lineno}
```

to enable the line numbers for displayed equations.

```
(a+b)^{2} = a^{2} + 2ab + b^{2}
(a+b)^{3} = a^{3} + 3a^{2}b + 3ab^{2} + b^{3}
*
```

3. Some TeXnical details

\mindflowTextFont
 \mindflowNumFont
 \mindflowMarkerFont

The font for text, line numbers and markers within the mindflow environments can be specified by redefining \mindflowTextFont, \mindflowNumFont and \mindflowMarkerFont. By default, they are defined as:

```
\newcommand{\mindflowTextFont}{\normalfont\footnotesize}
\newcommand{\mindflowNumFont}{\normalfont\scriptsize\ttfamily}
\newcommand{\mindflowMarkerFont}{\normalfont\scriptsize\ttfamily}
```

\mindflowLeft
\mindflowRight

The left and right markers is defined by \mindflowLeft and \mindflowRight. Both have the default value "*".

\mindflowLineHeight

The height of the separation lines is a length macro named \mindflowLineHeight, with default value 0.4pt. You can change this with \setlength.

mindflowLine mindflowText mindflowNum mindflowMarker And finally, the colors for the separation lines, text, line numbers and markers within the mindflow environments are called mindflowLine, mindflowText, mindflowNum and mindflowMarker, respectively. By default, they have the same color as the context, with opacity 30% for the separation lines, text and markers, and 8% for the line numbers.

4. An example

With option leftlinenumber, rightlinenumber, leftmarker, rightmarker and the following settings:

```
\colorlet{mindflowLine}{green!50!black}
\colorlet{mindflowText}{blue!50!cyan}
\colorlet{mindflowNum}{red!50!orange}
\colorlet{mindflowMarker}{orange}
\renewcommand{\mindflowTextFont}{\normalfont\footnotesize\sffamily\itshape}
\renewcommand{\mindflowNumFont}{\normalfont\small\footnotesize\ttfamily}
\renewcommand{\mindflowMarkerFont}{\normalfont\footnotesize\sffamily}
\renewcommand{\mindflowLeft}{\hspace{1em}\(\succ\)}
\renewcommand{\mindflowRight}{\(\prec\)\hspace{1em}}
\setlength{\mindflowLineHeight}{1pt}
```

One gets:

```
Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetuer adipiscing elit. Etiam lobortis facilisis sem. Nullam nec mi et neque pharetra
10
           sollicitudin. Praesent imperdiet mi nec ante. Donec ullamcorper, felis non sodales commodo, lectus velit ultrices augue, a
                                                                                                                                             10
           dignissim nibh lectus placerat pede. Vivamus nunc nunc, molestie ut, ultricies vel, semper in, velit. Ut porttitor. Praesent
11
                                                                                                                                             11
           in sapien. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetuer adipiscing elit. Duis fringilla tristique neque. Sed interdum libero ut
12
                                                                                                                                             12
13
           metus. Pellentesque placerat. Nam rutrum augue a leo. Morbi sed elit sit amet ante lobortis sollicitudin. Praesent blandit
                                                                                                                                             13
14
           blandit mauris. Praesent lectus tellus, aliquet aliquam, luctus a, egestas a, turpis. Mauris lacinia lorem sit amet ipsum.
                                                                                                                                             14
15
           Nunc quis urna dictum turpis accumsan semper.
                                                                                                                                             15
```

5. Implementation

Below is the complete source code of this package.

```
1 \RequirePackage{kvoptions}
2 \SetupKeyvalOptions{%
      family = @mindflow,
      prefix = @mindflow@
<sub>5</sub> }
6 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{off}
                                            % Turn off mindflow
7 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{leftmarker}
                                            % Left marker
8 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{rightmarker}
                                           % Right marker
                                        % Left line numbers
9 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{linenumber}
10 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{leftlinenumber} % Left line numbers
11 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{rightlinenumber} % Right line numbers
12 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{twocolumn}
                                           % Two column
13 \DeclareBoolOption[false]{incolumn}
                                           % Separation line fits in column
15 \ProcessKeyvalOptions*\relax
17 \if@mindflow@twocolumn
   \@mindflow@incolumntrue
18
19 \fi
20 \if@mindflow@linenumber
  \@mindflow@leftlinenumbertrue
21
22 \fi
23
25 %% Initialization
26 %%==========
27 \RequirePackage{lineno}
28 \RequirePackage{xcolor}
30 \colorlet{mfSavedColor}{.}
31 \colorlet{mindflowLine}{mfSavedColor!30}
32 \colorlet{mindflowText}{mfSavedColor!30}
33 \colorlet{mindflowMarker}{mfSavedColor!30}
34 \colorlet{mindflowNum}{mfSavedColor!8}
35
36 \newcommand{\mindflowTextFont}{\normalfont\footnotesize}
37 \newcommand{\mindflowNumFont}{\normalfont\scriptsize\ttfamily}
38 \newcommand{\mindflowMarkerFont}{\normalfont\scriptsize\ttfamily}
39 \newcommand{\mindflowLeft}{*}
40 \newcommand{\mindflowRight}{*}
41 \newlength{\mindflowLineHeight}
42 \setlength{\mindflowLineHeight}{0.4pt}
43
45 %% The mindflow environment
47 \newif\ifLNturnsON
48 \newcommand*{\mfSepLine}{%
   \parskip=0pt
49
  \LNturns0Nfalse%
50
  \ifLineNumbers\LNturnsONtrue\fi\nolinenumbers%
51
52 \par\noindent\nopagebreak%
```

```
\if@mindflow@incolumn%
53
       \makebox[\linewidth]{\rule{\linewidth}{\mindflowLineHeight}}%
54
     \else%
55
       \hspace*{-\paperwidth}%
56
       \makebox[\linewidth]{\rule{4\paperwidth}{\mindflowLineHeight}}%
57
     \fi%
58
     \nopagebreak\par%
59
     \ifLNturnsON\linenumbers\fi%
60
61 }
63 \newcounter{recordLN}
64 \newcounter{mfLN}
65 \setcounter{mfLN}{1}
67 \if@mindflow@off
     \RequirePackage{verbatim}
68
     \let\mindflow=\comment
69
     \let\endmindflow=\endcomment
70
71 \else
     \newenvironment{mindflow}
72
     {%
73
       \setcounter{recordLN}{\value{linenumber}}%
74
       \setcounter{linenumber}{\value{mfLN}}%
75
       \LNturnsONfalse%
76
       \ifLineNumbers\LNturnsONtrue\fi\nolinenumbers%
77
78
       \color{mindflowLine}\mfSepLine%
       \mindflowTextFont\color{mindflowText}%
79
       \linenumbers%
80
       \renewcommand\makeLineNumber{%
81
         \hss%
82
         \if@mindflow@leftlinenumber%
83
           \mindflowNumFont\color{mindflowNum}\LineNumber\hspace{1em}%
84
         \fi%
85
         \color{mindflowMarker}%
86
         \if@mindflow@leftmarker%
87
           \mindflowMarkerFont\mindflowLeft\hspace{1em}%
88
         \fi%
89
         \rlap{\hskip\textwidth%
90
           \if@mindflow@rightmarker%
91
              \hspace{1em}\mindflowRight%
92
           \fi%
93
            \if@mindflow@rightlinenumber%
94
             \hspace{1em}%
95
              \mindflowNumFont\color{mindflowNum}\LineNumber%
96
           \fi%
97
         }%
98
       }%
99
     }
100
     {%
101
       \par%
102
       \vspace{-.5\baselineskip}\color{mindflowLine}\mfSepLine%
103
104
       \ifLNturnsON\linenumbers\fi%
       \setcounter{mfLN}{\value{linenumber}}%
105
       \setcounter{linenumber}{\value{recordLN}}%
106
     }
107
   \fi
108
```

```
109
   \ifdefined\linenomathpatch\else
110
     \RequirePackage{amsmath}
111
     \RequirePackage{etoolbox}
112
     \newcommand*\linenomathpatch[1]{%
113
       \cspreto{#1}{\linenomath}%
114
       \cspreto{#1*}{\linenomath}%
115
       \csappto{end#1}{\endlinenomath}%
116
       \csappto{end#1*}{\endlinenomath}%
118
     \newcommand*\linenomathpatchAMS[1]{%
119
       \cspreto{#1}{\linenomathAMS}%
120
       \cspreto{#1*}{\linenomathAMS}%
121
       \csappto{end#1}{\endlinenomath}%
122
       \csappto{end#1*}{\endlinenomath}%
123
124
     \expandafter\ifx\linenomath\linenomathWithnumbers
125
       \let\linenomathAMS\linenomathWithnumbers
       \patchcmd\linenomathAMS{\advance\postdisplaypenalty\linenopenalty
127
       }{}{}{}
     \else
128
       \let\linenomathAMS\linenomathNonumbers
129
130
     \linenomathpatch{equation}
131
     \linenomathpatchAMS{gather}
132
     \linenomathpatchAMS{multline}
133
     \linenomathpatchAMS{align}
134
     \linenomathpatchAMS{alignat}
135
     \linenomathpatchAMS{flalign}
136
137 \fi
```