The lthooks package*

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1 Introduction

Hooks are points in the code of commands or environments where it is possible to add processing code into existing commands. This can be done by different packages that do not know about each other and to allow for hopefully safe processing it is necessary to sort different chunks of code added by different packages into a suitable processing order.

This is done by the packages adding chunks of code (via \AddToHook) and labeling their code with some label by default using the package name as a label.

At \begin{document} all code for a hook is then sorted according to some rules (given by \DeclareHookRule) for fast execution without processing overhead. If the hook code is modified afterwards (or the rules are changed), a new version for fast processing is generated.

Some hooks are used already in the preamble of the document. If that happens then the hook is prepared for execution (and sorted) already at that point.

2 Package writer interface

The hook management system is offered as a set of CamelCase commands for traditional \LaTeX 2 $_{\mathcal{E}}$ packages (and for use in the document preamble if needed) as well as expl3 commands for modern packages, that use the L3 programming layer of \LaTeX . Behind the scenes, a single set of data structures is accessed so that packages from both worlds can coexist and access hooks in other packages.

2.1 Lagrangian 2.1 Lagrangian 2.2 interfaces

2.1.1 Declaring hooks

With a few exceptions, hooks have to be declared before they can be used. The exceptions are the generic hooks for commands, environments (i.e., executed at \begin and \end) and hooks run when loading files, e.g. before and after a package is loaded, etc. Their hook names depend on the command, environment or the file name and so declaring them beforehand is not practical.

\NewHook

 \mathbb{A} \NewHook $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Creates a new $\langle hook \rangle$. If this is a hook provided as part of a package it is suggested that the $\langle hook \rangle$ name is always structured as follows: $\langle package\text{-}name \rangle / \langle hook\text{-}name \rangle$. If necessary you can further subdivide the name by adding more / parts. If a hook name is already taken, an error is raised and the hook is not created.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\NewReversedHook

 $\NewReversedHook \{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Like $\$ declares a new $\langle hook \rangle$. the difference is that the code chunks for this hook are in reverse order by default (those added last are executed first). Any rules for the hook are applied after the default ordering. See sections 2.3 and 2.4 for further details.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\NewMirroredHookPair

 $\label{local_problem} $$ \end{area} $$ \en$

A shorthand for $\NewHook{\langle hook-1 \rangle}\NewReversedHook{\langle hook-2 \rangle}$.

The $\langle hooks \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

2.1.2 Special declarations for hooks

The declarations here should normally not be used. They are available to provide support for special use cases mainly involving generic command hooks.

\DisableHook

\DisableHook $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$

After this declaration the $\langle hook \rangle$ is no longer usable: Any attempt to add further code to it will result in an error and any use, e.g., via \UseHook, will simply do nothing.

This is intended to be used with generic command hooks (see ltcmdhooks-doc) as depending on the definition of the command such generic hooks may be unusable. If that is known, a package developer can disable such hooks up front.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\ProvideHook

 $\verb|\ProvideHook| \{\langle hook \rangle\}|$

Like \NewHook but does nothing if the hook was previously declared with \NewHook. This declaration should only be used in special situations, e.g., when command of another package need to be altered and it is is not clear if for that command a generic hook was already explicitly declared before.

Normally \NewHook should be used instead.

\ProvideReversedHook

 $\ProvideReversedHook \{\langle hook \rangle\}\$

Like \NewReversedHook but does nothing if the hook was previously declared as a reversed hook.

\ProvideMirroredHookPair

 $\label{local_provide} $$\operatorname{ProvideMirroredHookPair} \{\langle hook-1 \rangle\} \ \{\langle hook-2 \rangle\}$$

A shorthand for $\Pook{\langle hook-1 \rangle}\$ ProvideReversedHook $\{\langle hook-2 \rangle\}$.

2.1.3 Using hooks in code

\UseHook

\UseHook $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Execute the hook code inside a command or environment.

Before \begin{document} the fast execution code for a hook is not set up, so in order to use a hook there it is explicitly initialized first. As that involves assignments using a hook at those times is not 100% the same as using it after \begin{document}.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally.

\UseOneTimeHook

 $\UseOneTimeHook \{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Some hooks are only used (and can be only used) in one place, for example, those in \begin{document} or \end{document}. Once we have passed that point adding to the hook through a defined \\addto-cmd\\ command (e.g., \AddToHook or \AtBeginDocument, etc.) would have no effect (as would the use of such a command inside the hook code itself). It is therefore customary to redefine \\addto-cmd\\ to simply process its argument, i.e., essentially make it behave like \@firstofone.

\UseOneTimeHook does that: it records that the hook has been consumed and any further attempt to add to it will result in executing the code to be added immediately.

FMi: Maybe add an error version as well?

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally. See section 2.1.5 for details.

2.1.4 Updating code for hooks

\AddToHook

 $\AddToHook {\langle hook \rangle} [\langle label \rangle] {\langle code \rangle}$

Adds $\langle code \rangle$ to the $\langle hook \rangle$ labeled by $\langle label \rangle$. When the optional argument $\langle label \rangle$ is not provided, the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is used (see section 2.1.5). If \AddToHook is used in a package/class, the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is the package/class name, otherwise it is top-level (the top-level label is treated differently: see section 2.1.6).

If there already exists code under the $\langle label \rangle$ then the new $\langle code \rangle$ is appended to the existing one (even if this is a reversed hook). If you want to replace existing code under the $\langle label \rangle$, first apply \RemoveFromHook.

The hook doesn't have to exist for code to be added to it. However, if it is not declared, then obviously the added $\langle code \rangle$ will never be executed. This allows for hooks to work regardless of package loading order and enables packages to add to hooks from other packages without worrying whether they are actually used in the current document. See section 2.1.8.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\RemoveFromHook

 $\verb|\RemoveFromHook| \{\langle hook \rangle\} [\langle label \rangle]|$

Removes any code labeled by $\langle label \rangle$ from the $\langle hook \rangle$. When the optional argument $\langle label \rangle$ is not provided, the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is used (see section 2.1.5).

If the code for that $\langle label \rangle$ wasn't yet added to the $\langle hook \rangle$, an order is set so that when some code attempts to add that label, the removal order takes action and the code is not added.

If the optional $\langle label \rangle$ argument is *, then all code chunks are removed. This is rather dangerous as it drops code from other packages one may not know about and should therefore not by used by packages but only in document preambles!

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

In contrast to the voids relationship between two labels in a \DeclareHookRule this is a destructive operation as the labeled code is removed from the hook data structure, whereas the relationship setting can be undone by providing a different relationship later.

A useful application for this declaration inside the document body is when one wants to temporarily add code to hooks and later remove it again, e.g.,

```
\AddToHook{env/quote/before}{\small}
\begin{quote}
    A quote set in a smaller typeface
\end{quote}
...
\RemoveFromHook{env/quote/before}
... now back to normal for further quotes
```

Note that you can't cancel the setting with

```
\AddToHook{env/quote/before}{}
```

because that only "adds" a further empty chunk of code to the hook. Adding \normalsize would work but that means the hook then contained \small\normalsize which means two font size changes for no good reason.

The above is only needed if one wants to typeset several quotes in a smaller typeface. If the hook is only needed once then **\AddToHookNext** is simpler, because it resets itself after one use.

\AddToHookNext

```
\verb| AddToHookNext { | (hook) } { (code) } |
```

Adds $\langle code \rangle$ to the next invocation of the $\langle hook \rangle$. The code is executed after the normal hook code has finished and it is executed only once, i.e. it is deleted after it was used.

Using the declaration is a global operation, i.e., the code is not lost, even if the declaration is used inside a group and the next invocation happens after the group. If the declaration is used several times before the hook is executed then all code is executed in the order in which it was declared.¹

It is possible to nest declarations using the same hook (or different hooks), e.g.,

```
\verb| AddToHookNext{| $\langle hook \rangle$ } {\langle code-1 \rangle \land AddToHookNext{| $\langle hook \rangle$ } {\langle code-2 \rangle$ } } |
```

will execute $\langle code-1 \rangle$ next time the $\langle hook \rangle$ is used and at that point puts $\langle code-2 \rangle$ into the $\langle hook \rangle$ so that it gets executed on following time the hook is run.

A hook doesn't have to exist for code to be added to it. This allows for hooks to work regardless of package loading order. See section 2.1.8.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

2.1.5 Hook names and default labels

It is best practice to use \AddToHook in packages or classes without specifying a $\langle label \rangle$ because then the package or class name is automatically used, which is helpful if rules are needed, and avoids mistyping the $\langle label \rangle$.

Using an explicit $\langle label \rangle$ is only necessary in very specific situations, e.g., if you want to add several chunks of code into a single hook and have them placed in different parts of the hook (by providing some rules).

The other case is when you develop a larger package with several sub-packages. In that case you may want to use the same $\langle label \rangle$ throughout the sub-packages in order to avoid that the labels change if you internally reorganize your code.

¹There is no mechanism to reorder such code chunks (or delete them).

Except for \UseHook, \UseOneTimeHook and \IfHookEmptyTF (and their expl3 interfaces \hook_use:n, \hook_use_once:n and \hook_if_empty:nTF, all $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ arguments are processed in the same way: first, spaces are trimmed around the argument, then it is fully expanded until only character tokens remain. If the full expansion of the $\langle hook \rangle$ or $\langle label \rangle$ contains a non-expandable non-character token, a low-level TEX error is raised (namely, the $\langle hook \rangle$ is expanded using TEX's \csname...\endcsname, as such, Unicode characters are allowed in $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ arguments). The arguments of \UseOneTimeHook, \UseOneTimeHook, and \IfHookEmptyTF are processed much in the same way except that spaces are not trimmed around the argument, for better performance.

It is not enforced, but highly recommended that the hooks defined by a package, and the $\langle labels \rangle$ used to add code to other hooks contain the package name to easily identify the source of the code chunk and to prevent clashes. This should be the standard practice, so this hook management code provides a shortcut to refer to the current package in the name of a $\langle hook \rangle$ and in a $\langle label \rangle$. If the $\langle hook \rangle$ name or the $\langle label \rangle$ consist just of a single dot (.), or starts with a dot followed by a slash (./) then the dot denotes the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ (usually the current package or class name—see \SetDefaultHookLabel). A "." or "./" anywhere else in a $\langle hook \rangle$ or in $\langle label \rangle$ is treated literally and is not replaced.

For example, inside the package mypackage.sty, the default label is mypackage, so the instructions:

```
\NewHook {./hook}
\AddToHook {./hook}[.]{code} % Same as \AddToHook{./hook}{code}
\AddToHook {./hook}[./sub]{code}
\DeclareHookRule{begindocument}{.}{before}{babel}
\AddToHook {file/after/foo.tex}{code}

are equivalent to:

\NewHook {mypackage/hook}
\AddToHook {mypackage/hook}[mypackage]{code}
\AddToHook {mypackage/hook}[mypackage/sub]{code}
\DeclareHookRule{begindocument}{mypackage}{before}{babel}
\AddToHook {file/after/foo.tex}{code} % unchanged
```

The $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is automatically set equal to the name of the current package or class at the time the package is loaded. If the hook command is used outside of a package, or the current file wasn't loaded with \usepackage or \documentclass, then the top-level is used as the $\langle default\ label \rangle$. This may have exceptions—see \PushDefaultHookLabel.

This syntax is available in all $\langle label \rangle$ arguments and most $\langle hook \rangle$ arguments, both in the LATEX 2_{ε} interface, and the LATEX3 interface described in section 2.2.

Note, however, that the replacement of . by the \(\default \label \) takes place when the hook command is executed, so actions that are somehow executed after the package ends will have the wrong \(\default \label \) if the dot-syntax is used. For that reason, this syntax is not available in \UseHook (and \hook_use:n) because the hook is most of the time used outside of the package file in which it was defined. This syntax is also not available in the hook conditionals \IfHookEmptyTF (and \hook_if_empty:nTF), because these conditionals are used in some performance-critical parts of the hook management code, and because they are usually used to refer to other package's hooks, so the dot-syntax doesn't make much sense.

In some cases, for example in large packages, one may want to separate it in logical parts, but still use the main package name as $\langle label \rangle$, then the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ can be set us $ing \SetDefaultHookLabel or \PushDefaultHookLabel{..}... \PopDefaultHookLabel.$

\PushDefaultHookLabel \PopDefaultHookLabel

```
\PushDefaultHookLabel {\default label}}
   ⟨code⟩
```

\PopDefaultHookLabel

\PushDefaultHookLabel sets the current $\langle default\ label \rangle$ to be used in $\langle label \rangle$ arguments, or when replacing a leading "." (see above). \PopDefaultHookLabel reverts the \(\default \) label to its previous value.

Inside a package or class, the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is equal to the package or class name, unless explicitly changed. Everywhere else, the \(\default \ label \) is top-level (see section 2.1.6) unless explicitly changed.

The effect of \PushDefaultHookLabel holds until the next \PopDefaultHookLabel. \usepackage (and \RequirePackage and \documentclass) internally use

```
\PushDefaultHookLabel{package name}
  \langle package\ code \rangle
\PopDefaultHookLabel
```

to set the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ for the package or class file. Inside the $\langle package\ code \rangle$ the (default label) can also be changed with \SetDefaultHookLabel. \input and other file input-related commands from the LATEX kernel do not use \PushDefaultHookLabel, so code within files loaded by these commands does not get a dedicated $\langle label \rangle!$ (that is, the $\langle default\ label\rangle$ is the current active one when the file was loaded.)

Packages that provide their own package-like interfaces (TikZ's \usetikzlibrary, for example) can use \PushDefaultHookLabel and \PopDefaultHookLabel to set dedicated labels and emulate \usepackage-like hook behaviour within those contexts.

The top-level label is treated differently, and is reserved to the user document, so it is not allowed to change the $\langle default \ label \rangle$ to top-level.

\SetDefaultHookLabel

\SetDefaultHookLabel {\default label\}

Similarly to \PushDefaultHookLabel, sets the current \(\langle default \ label \rangle \) to be used in $\langle label \rangle$ arguments, or when replacing a leading ".". The effect holds until the label is changed again or until the next \PopDefaultHookLabel. The difference between \PushDefaultHookLabel and \SetDefaultHookLabel is that the latter does not save the current $\langle default \ label \rangle$.

This command is useful when a large package is composed of several smaller packages, but all should have the same $\langle label \rangle$, so \SetDefaultHookLabel can be used at the beginning of each package file to set the correct label.

 $\$ SetDefaultHookLabel is not allowed in the main document, where the $\langle default \rangle$ $|label\rangle$ is top-level and there is no \PopDefaultHookLabel to end its effect. It is also not allowed to change the $\langle default \ label \rangle$ to top-level.

The top-level label 2.1.6

The top-level label, assigned to code added from the main document, is different from other labels. Code added to hooks (usually \AtBeginDocument) in the preamble is almost always to change something defined by a package, so it should go at the very end of the hook.

Therefore, code added in the top-level is always executed at the end of the hook, regardless of where it was declared. If the hook is reversed (see \NewReversedHook), the top-level chunk is executed at the very beginning instead.

Rules regarding top-level have no effect: if a user wants to have a specific set of rules for a code chunk, they should use a different label to said code chunk, and provide a rule for that label instead.

The top-level label is exclusive for the user, so trying to add code with that label from a package results in an error.

2.1.7 Defining relations between hook code

The default assumption is that code added to hooks by different packages are independent and the order in which they are executed is irrelevant. While this is true in many cases it is obviously false in others.

Before the hook management system was introduced packages had to take elaborate precaution to determine of some other package got loaded as well (before or after) and find some ways to alter its behavior accordingly. In addition is was often the user's responsibility to load packages in the right order so that code added to hooks got added in the right order and some cases even altering the loading order wouldn't resolve the conflicts.

With the new hook management system it is now possible to define rules (i.e., relationships) between code chunks added by different packages and explicitly describe in which order they should be processed.

\DeclareHookRule

 $\label{locality} $$ \end{are HookRule } {\langle hook \rangle} {\langle label1 \rangle} {\langle relation \rangle} {\langle label2 \rangle} $$$

Defines a relation between $\langle label1 \rangle$ and $\langle label2 \rangle$ for a given $\langle hook \rangle$. If $\langle hook \rangle$ is ?? this defines a default relation for all hooks that use the two labels, i.e., that have chunks of code labeled with $\langle label1 \rangle$ and $\langle label2 \rangle$. Rules specific to a given hook take precedence over default rules that use ?? as the $\langle hook \rangle$.

Currently, the supported relations are the following:

before or $\langle label1 \rangle$ comes before code for $\langle label2 \rangle$.

after or > Code for $\langle label1 \rangle$ comes after code for $\langle label2 \rangle$.

incompatible-warning Only code for either $\langle label1 \rangle$ or $\langle label2 \rangle$ can appear for that hook (a way to say that two packages—or parts of them—are incompatible). A warning is raised if both labels appear in the same hook.

incompatible-error Like incompatible-error but instead of a warning a LATEX error is raised, and the code for both labels are dropped from that hook until the conflict is resolved.

voids Code for $\langle label1 \rangle$ overwrites code for $\langle label2 \rangle$. More precisely, code for $\langle label2 \rangle$ is dropped for that hook. This can be used, for example if one package is a superset in functionality of another one and therefore wants to undo code in some hook and replace it with its own version.

unrelated The order of code for $\langle label1 \rangle$ and $\langle label2 \rangle$ is irrelevant. This rule is there to undo an incorrect rule specified earlier.

There can only be a single relation between two labels for a given hook, i.e., a later \DeclareHookrule overwrites any previous declaration.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\ClearHookRule

 $\ClearHookRule{\langle hook \rangle}{\langle label1 \rangle}{\langle label2 \rangle}$

Syntactic sugar for saying that $\langle label1 \rangle$ and $\langle label2 \rangle$ are unrelated for the given $\langle hook \rangle$.

\DeclareDefaultHookRule

 $\verb|\DeclareDefaultHookRule{\langle label1\rangle}{\langle relation\rangle}{\langle label2\rangle}|$

This sets up a relation between $\langle label1 \rangle$ and $\langle label2 \rangle$ for all hooks unless overwritten by a specific rule for a hook. Useful for cases where one package has a specific relation to some other package, e.g., is incompatible or always needs a special ordering before or after. (Technically it is just a shorthand for using \DeclareHookRule with ?? as the hook name.)

Declaring default rules is only supported in the document preamble.²

The $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

2.1.8 Querying hooks

Simpler data types, like token lists, have three possible states; they can:

• exist and be empty;

²Trying to do so, e.g., via \DeclareHookRule with ?? has bad side-effects and is not supported (though not explicitly caught for performance reasons).

- exist and be non-empty; and
- not exist (in which case emptiness doesn't apply);

Hooks are a bit more complicated: a hook may exist or not, and either way it may or may not be empty. This means that even a hook that doesn't exist may be non-empty and it can also be disabled.

This seemingly strange state may happen when, for example, package A defines hook A/foo, and package B adds some code to that hook. However, a document may load package B before package A, or may not load package A at all. In both cases some code is added to hook A/foo without that hook being defined yet, thus that hook is said to be non-empty, whereas it doesn't exist. Therefore, querying the existence of a hook doesn't imply its emptiness, neither does the other way around.

Given that code or rules can be added to a hook even if it doesn't physically exist yet, means that a querying its existence has no real use case (in contrast to other variables that can only be update if they have already been declared). For that reason only the test for emptiness has a public interface.

A hook is said to be empty when no code was added to it, either to its permanent code pool, or to its "next" token list. The hook doesn't need to be declared to have code added to its code pool. A hook is said to exist when it was declared with \NewHook or some variant thereof. Generic hooks such as file and env hooks are automatically declared when code is added to them.

\IfHookEmptyTF *

\IfHookEmptyTF $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$ $\{\langle true\ code \rangle\}$ $\{\langle false\ code \rangle\}$

Tests if the $\langle hook \rangle$ is empty (i.e., no code was added to it using either \AddToHook or \AddToHookNext) or such code was removed again (via \RemoveFromHook), and branches to either $\langle true\ code \rangle$ or $\langle false\ code \rangle$ depending on the result.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally.

2.1.9 Displaying hook code

If one has to adjust the code execution in a hook using a hook rule it is helpful to get some information about the code associated with a hook, its current order and the existing rules.

\ShowHook \LogHook $\verb|\ShowHook| \{\langle hook \rangle\}|$

Displays information about the $\langle hook \rangle$ such as

- the code chunks (and their labels) added to it,
- any rules set up to order them,
- the computed order in which the chunks are executed,
- any code executed on the next invocation only.

\LogHook prints the information to the .log file, and \ShowHook prints them to the terminal/command window and starts TEX's prompt (only in \errorstopmode) to wait for user action.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

Suppose a hook example-hook whose output of \ShowHook{example-hook} is:

```
-> The hook 'example-hook':

Code chunks:

foo -> [code from package 'foo']

bar -> [from package 'bar']

baz -> [package 'baz' is here]

Document-level (top-level) code (executed last):

-> [code from 'top-level']

Extra code for next invocation:

-> [one-time code]

Rules:

foo|baz with relation >

baz|bar with default relation <

Execution order (after applying rules):

baz, foo, bar.
```

In the listing above, lines 3 to 5 show the three code chunks added to the hook and their respective labels in the format

```
\langle label \rangle \rightarrow \langle code \rangle
```

Line 7 shows the code chunk added by the user in the main document (labeled top-level) in the format

```
Document-level (top-level) code (executed \langle first|last \rangle): -> \langle top-level\ code \rangle
```

This code will be either the first or last code executed by the hook (last if the hook is normal, first if it is reversed). This chunk is not affected by rules and does not take part in sorting.

Line 9 shows the code chunk for the next execution of the hook in the format

```
-> \(\langle next-code \rangle \)
```

This code will be used and disappear at the next \UseHook{example-hook}, in contrast to the chunks mentioned earlier, which can only be removed from that hook by doing \RemoveFromHook{ $\langle label \rangle$ }[example-hook].

Lines 11 and 12 show the rules declared that affect this hook in the format

```
\langle label-1 \rangle | \langle label-2 \rangle with \langle default? \rangle relation \langle relation \rangle
```

which means that the $\langle relation \rangle$ applies to $\langle label-1 \rangle$ and $\langle label-2 \rangle$, in that order, as detailed in \DeclareHookRule. If the relation is default it means that that rule applies to $\langle label-1 \rangle$ and $\langle label-2 \rangle$ in all hooks, (unless overridden by a non-default relation).

Finally, line 14 lists the labels in the hook after sorting; that is, in the order they will be executed when the hook is used.

2.1.10 Debugging hook code

\DebugHooksOn \DebugHooksOff \DebugHooksOn

Turn the debugging of hook code on or off. This displays most changes made to the hook data structures. The output is rather coarse and not really intended for normal use.

2.2 L3 programming layer (expl3) interfaces

This is a quick summary of the LaTeX3 programming interfaces for use with packages written in expl3. In contrast to the LaTeX 2_{ε} interfaces they always use mandatory arguments only, e.g., you always have to specify the $\langle label \rangle$ for a code chunk. We therefore suggest to use the declarations discussed in the previous section even in expl3 packages, but the choice is yours.

\hook_new:n
\hook_new_reversed:n
\hook_new_pair:nn

 $\label{look_new_new} $$ \ \end{array} $$ \ \end{array} $$ \end{array} $$ \ \end{array} $$ \hook_new_pair:nn {$\langle hook-1 \rangle$} {\langle hook-2 \rangle$} $$$

Creates a new $\langle hook \rangle$ with normal or reverse ordering of code chunks. \hook_new_-pair:nn creates a pair of such hooks with $\{\langle hook-2 \rangle\}$ being a reversed hook. If a hook name is already taken, an error is raised and the hook is not created.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_disable:n

 $\verb|\hook_disable:n {|\langle hook \rangle|}|$

Marks $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$ as disabled. Any further attempt to add code to it or declare it, will result in an error and any call to $hook_use:n$ will simply do nothing.

This declaration is intended for use with generic hooks that are known not to work (see ltcmdhooks-doc) if they receive code.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_provide:n

 $\hook_provide:n \{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Like \hook_new:n but does nothing if the hook was previously declared with \hook_new:n. This declaration should only be used in special situations, e.g., when a command of another package needs to be altered and it is not clear if for that command a generic cmd hook was already explicitly declared before.

Normally \hook_new:n should be used instead.

\hook_provide_reversed:n

 $\verb|\hook_provide_reversed:n| \{\langle hook \rangle\}|$

Like \hook_new_reversed:n but does nothing if the hook was previously declared as a reversed hook.

\hook_provide_pair:nn

 $\label{look_provide_pair:nn { (hook-1)} { (hook-2)} } $$ \{ \langle hook-2 \rangle \} $$$

A shorthand for $\hook_provide:n\{\langle hook-1\rangle\}\hook_provide_reversed:n\{\langle hook-2\rangle\}.$

\hook_use:n

 $\hook_use:n \{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Executes the $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$ code followed (if set up) by the code for next invocation only, then empties that next invocation code.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally.

\hook_use_once:n

 $\hook_use_once:n \{\langle hook \rangle\}$

Changes the $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$ status so that from now on any addition to the hook code is executed immediately. Then execute any $\{\langle hook \rangle\}$ code already set up.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally.

\hook_gput_code:nnn

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} $$ \begin{tabular}{ll} $$ \begin{tabular}{ll} $$ \code:nnn $$ $ (\begin{tabular}{ll} $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ $$ $$ $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ \code:nnn $$ $$ $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ $$ $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ \code:nnn $$ $$ $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ \code:nnn $$ $$ \code)$ \end{tabular} $$ \code:nnn $$ $$ \code:nnn $$

Adds a chunk of $\langle code \rangle$ to the $\langle hook \rangle$ labeled $\langle label \rangle$. If the label already exists the $\langle code \rangle$ is appended to the already existing code.

If code is added to an external $\langle hook \rangle$ (of the kernel or another package) then the convention is to use the package name as the $\langle label \rangle$ not some internal module name or some other arbitrary string.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_gput_next_code:nn

 $\label{look_gput_next_code:nn} $$ \{\langle hook \rangle\} $$ {\langle code \rangle}$$

Adds a chunk of $\langle code \rangle$ for use only in the next invocation of the $\langle hook \rangle$. Once used it is gone.

This is simpler than **\hook_gput_code:nnn**, the code is simply appended to the hook in the order of declaration at the very end, i.e., after all standard code for the hook got executed.

Thus if one needs to undo what the standard does one has to do that as part of $\langle code \rangle$.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_gremove_code:nn

 $\verb|\hook_gremove_code:nn {|\langle hook \rangle|} {|\langle label \rangle|}$

Removes any code for $\langle hook \rangle$ labeled $\langle label \rangle$.

If the code for that $\langle label \rangle$ wasn't yet added to the $\langle hook \rangle$, an order is set so that when some code attempts to add that label, the removal order takes action and the code is not added.

If the second argument is *, then all code chunks are removed. This is rather dangerous as it drops code from other packages one may not know about, so think twice before using that!

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_gset_rule:nnnn

 $\label{look_gset_rule:nnn} $$ \langle hook \rangle $ {\langle label1 \rangle} {\langle relation \rangle} {\langle label2 \rangle} $$$

Relate $\langle label1 \rangle$ with $\langle label2 \rangle$ when used in $\langle hook \rangle$. See \DeclareHookRule for the allowed $\langle relation \rangle$ s. If $\langle hook \rangle$ is ?? a default rule is specified.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ and $\langle label \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5. The dot-syntax is parsed in both $\langle label \rangle$ arguments, but it usually makes sense to be used in only one of them.

\hook_if_empty_p:n *
\hook_if_empty:nTF *

 $\label{look_if_empty:nTF} $$ \langle hook \rangle $ {\langle true\ code \rangle} $ {\langle false\ code \rangle} $$$

Tests if the $\langle hook \rangle$ is empty (i.e., no code was added to it using either \AddToHook or \AddToHookNext), and branches to either $\langle true\ code \rangle$ or $\langle false\ code \rangle$ depending on the result.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ cannot be specified using the dot-syntax. A leading . is treated literally.

\hook_show:n \hook_log:n

```
\hook\_show:n \{\langle hook \rangle\}
```

Displays information about the $\langle hook \rangle$ such as

- the code chunks (and their labels) added to it,
- any rules set up to order them,
- the computed order in which the chunks are executed,
- any code executed on the next invocation only.

\hook_log:n prints the information to the .log file, and \hook_show:n prints them to the terminal/command window and starts TeX's prompt (only if \errorstopmode) to wait for user action.

The $\langle hook \rangle$ can be specified using the dot-syntax to denote the current package name. See section 2.1.5.

\hook_debug_on:
\hook_debug_off:

```
\hook_debug_on:
```

Turns the debugging of hook code on or off. This displays changes to the hook data.

2.3 On the order of hook code execution

Chunks of code for a $\langle hook \rangle$ under different labels are supposed to be independent if there are no special rules set up that define a relation between the chunks. This means that you can't make assumptions about the order of execution!

Suppose you have the following declarations:

```
\NewHook{myhook}
\AddToHook{myhook} [packageA] {\typeout{A}}
\AddToHook{myhook} [packageB] {\typeout{B}}
\AddToHook{myhook} [packageC] {\typeout{C}}
```

then executing the hook with \UseHook will produce the typeout A B C in that order. In other words, the execution order is computed to be packageA, packageB, packageC which you can verify with \ShowHook{myhook}:

```
-> The hook 'myhook':

> Code chunks:

> packageA -> \typeout {A}

> packageB -> \typeout {B}

> packageC -> \typeout {C}

> Document-level (top-level) code (executed last):

> ---

> Extra code for next invocation:

> ---

> Rules:

> ---

> Execution order:

> packageA, packageB, packageC.
```

The reason is that the code chunks are internally saved in a property list and the initial order of such a property list is the order in which key-value pairs got added. However, that is only true if nothing other than adding happens!

Suppose, or example, you want to replace the code chunk for packageA, e.g.,

```
\RemoveFromHook{myhook}[packageA] \AddToHook{myhook}[packageA]{\typeout{A alt}}
```

then your order becomes packageB, packageC, packageA because the label got removed from the property list and then re-added (at its end).

While that may not be too surprising, the execution order is also sometimes altered if you add a redundant rule, e.g. if you specify

\DeclareHookRule{myhook}{packageA}{before}{packageB}

instead of the previous lines we get

```
-> The hook 'myhook':

> Code chunks:

> packageA -> \typeout {A}

> packageB -> \typeout {C}

> packageC -> \typeout {C}

> Document-level (top-level) code (executed last):

> ---

> Extra code for next invocation:

> ---

> Rules:

> packageB|packageA with relation >

> Execution order (after applying rules):

> packageA, packageC, packageB.
```

As you can see the code chunks are still in the same order, but in the execution order for the labels packageB and packageC have swapped places. The reason is that, with the rule there are two orders that satisfy it, and the algorithm for sorting happened to pick a different one compared to the case without rules (where it doesn't run at all as there is nothing to resolve). Incidentally, if we had instead specified the redundant rule

\DeclareHookRule{myhook}{packageB}{before}{packageC}

the execution order would not have changed.

In summary: it is not possible to rely on the order of execution unless there are rules that partially or fully define the order (in which you can rely on them being fulfilled).

2.4 The use of "reversed" hooks

You may have wondered why you can declare a "reversed" hook with \NewReversedHook and what that does exactly.

In short: the execution order of a reversed hook (without any rules!) is exactly reversed to the order you would have gotten for a hook declared with \NewHook.

This is helpful if you have a pair of hooks where you expect to see code added that involves grouping, e.g., starting an environment in the first and closing that environment in the second hook. To give a somewhat contrived example³, suppose there is a package adding the following:

³there are simpler ways to achieve the same effect.

```
\AddToHook{env/quote/before}[package-1]{\begin{itshape}} \AddToHook{env/quote/after} [package-1]{\end{itshape}}
```

As a result, all quotes will be in italics. Now suppose further that another package-too makes the quotes also in blue and therefore adds:

```
\usepackage{color}
\AddToHook{env/quote/before}[package-too]{\begin{color}{blue}}
\AddToHook{env/quote/after} [package-too]{\end{color}}
```

Now if the env/quote/after hook would be a normal hook we would get the same execution order in both hooks, namely:

```
package-1, package-too
(or vice versa) and as a result, would get:
   \begin{itshape}\begin{color}{blue} ...
   \end{itshape}\end{color}
```

and an error message that \begin{color} ended by \end{itshape}. With env/quote/after declared as a reversed hook the execution order is reversed and so all environments are closed in the correct sequence and \ShowHook would give us the following output:

The reversal of the execution order happens before applying any rules, so if you alter the order you will probably have to alter it in both hooks, not just in one, but that depends on the use case.

2.5 Difference between "normal" and "one-time" hooks

When executing a hook a developer has the choice of using either \UseHook or \UseOneTimeHook (or their expl3 equivalents \hook_use:n and \hook_use_once:n). This choice affects how \AddToHook is handled after the hook has been executed for the first time.

With normal hooks adding code via \AddToHook means that the code chunk is added to the hook data structure and then used each time \UseHook is called.

With one-time hooks it this is handled slightly differently: After \UseOneTimeHook has been called, any further attempts to add code to the hook via \AddToHook will simply execute the $\langle code \rangle$ immediately.

This has some consequences one needs to be aware of:

- If \(\langle code \rangle \) is added to a normal hook after the hook was executed and it is never
 executed again for one or the other reason, then this new \(\langle code \rangle \) will never be
 executed.
- In contrast if that happens with a one-time hook the $\langle code \rangle$ is executed immediately.

In particular this means that construct such as

works for one-time hooks⁴ (all three code chunks are executed one after another), but it makes little sense with a normal hook, because with a normal hook the first time \UseHook{myhook} is executed it would

- execute $\langle code-1 \rangle$,
- then execute \AddToHook{myhook}{code-2} which adds the code chunk \(\langle code-2 \rangle\) to the hook for use on the next invocation,
- and finally execute $\langle code-3 \rangle$.

The second time \UseHook is called it would execute the above and in addition $\langle code-2\rangle$ as that was added as a code chunk to the hook in the meantime. So each time the hook is used another copy of $\langle code-2\rangle$ is added and so that code chunk is executed $\langle \# \ of \ invocations \rangle - 1$ times.

2.6 Private LaTeX kernel hooks

There are a few places where it is absolutely essential for LATEX to function correctly that code is executed in a precisely defined order. Even that could have been implemented with the hook management (by adding various rules to ensure the appropriate ordering with respect to other code added by packages). However, this makes every document unnecessary slow, because there has to be sorting even through the result is predetermined. Furthermore it forces package writers to unnecessarily add such rules if they add further code to the hook (or break LATEX).

For that reason such code is not using the hook management, but instead private kernel commands directly before or after a public hook with the following naming convention: $\label{look} $$ \end{area} $$ \end{area} $$ \end{area} $$ \end{area}. For example, in \end{area} $$ \end{ar$

which means first the user/package-accessible enddocument hook is executed and then the internal kernel hook. As their name indicates these kernel commands should not be altered by third-party packages, so please refrain from that in the interest of stability and instead use the public hook next to it.⁵

⁴This is sometimes used with \AtBeginDocument which is why it is supported.

⁵As with everything in T_EX there is not enforcement of this rule, and by looking at the code it is easy to find out how the kernel adds to them. The main reason of this section is therefore to say "please don't do that, this is unconfigurable code!"

2.7 Legacy LaTeX 2_{ε} interfaces

 \LaTeX 2ε offered a small number of hooks together with commands to add to them. They are listed here and are retained for backwards compatibility.

With the new hook management several additional hooks have been added to LATEX and more will follow. See the next section for what is already available.

\AtBeginDocument

 $AtBeginDocument [\langle label \rangle] \{\langle code \rangle\}$

If used without the optional argument $\langle label \rangle$, it works essentially like before, i.e., it is adding $\langle code \rangle$ to the hook begindocument (which is executed inside \begin{document}\). However, all code added this way is labeled with the label top-level (see section 2.1.6) if done outside of a package or class or with the package/class name if called inside such a file (see section 2.1.5).

This way one can add further code to the hook using \AddToHook or \AtBeginDocument using a different label and explicitly order the code chunks as necessary, e.g., run some code before or after another package's code. When using the optional argument the call is equivalent to running \AddToHook {begindocument} [$\langle label \rangle$] { $\langle code \rangle$ }.

\AtBeginDocument is a wrapper around the begindocument hook (see section 2.8.4), which is a one-time hook. As such, after the begindocument hook is executed at \begin{document} any attempt to add $\langle code \rangle$ to this hook with \AtBeginDocument or with \AddToHook will cause that $\langle code \rangle$ to execute immediately instead. See section 2.5 for more on one-time hooks.

For important packages with known order requirement we may over time add rules to the kernel (or to those packages) so that they work regardless of the loading-order in the document.

\AtEndDocument

 $AtEndDocument [\langle label \rangle] \{\langle code \rangle\}$

Like \AtBeginDocument but for the enddocument hook.

There is also \AtBeginDvi which is discussed in conjunction with the shipout hooks.

The few hooks that existed previously in LATEX 2_{ε} used internally commands such as \Degindocumenthook and packages sometimes augmented them directly rather than working through \AtBeginDocument . For that reason there is currently support for this, that is, if the system detects that such an internal legacy hook command contains code it adds it to the new hook system under the label legacy so that it doesn't get lost.

However, over time the remaining cases of direct usage need updating because in one of the future release of LaTeX we will turn this legacy support off, as it does unnecessary slow down the processing.

2.8 \LaTeX 2 ε commands and environments augmented by hooks

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2.8.1 Generic hooks for all environments

Every environment $\langle env \rangle$ has now four associated hooks coming with it:

env/(env)/before This hook is executed as part of \begin as the very first action, in particular prior to starting the environment group. Its scope is therefore not restricted by the environment.

- env/\(\left(\env)\right)\) begin This hook is executed as part of \(\text{begin directly in front of the code}\)
 specific to the environment start (e.g., the second argument of \(\text{newenvironment}\)).
 Its scope is the environment body.
- env/(env)/end This hook is executed as part of \end directly in front of the code specific
 to the end of the environment (e.g., the third argument of \newenvironment).
- env/\(\langle\)env \/after This hook is executed as part of \end after the code specific to the environment end and after the environment group has ended. Its scope is therefore not restricted by the environment.

The hook is implemented as a reversed hook so if two packages add code to $env/\langle env \rangle$ /before and to $env/\langle env \rangle$ /after they can add surrounding environments and the order of closing them happens in the right sequence.

Generic environment hooks are never one-time hooks even with environments that are supposed to appear only once in a document.⁶ In contrast to other hooks there is also no need to declare them using \NewHook.

The hooks are only executed if $\lceil \langle env \rangle \rceil$ and $\lceil \langle env \rangle \rceil$ is used. If the environment code is executed via low-level calls to $\lceil \langle env \rangle \rceil$ and $\lceil env \rangle \rceil$ (e.g., to avoid the environment grouping) they are not available. If you want them available in code using this method, you would need to add them yourself, i.e., write something like

\UseHook{env/quote/before}\quote

. . .

\endquote\UseHook{env/quote/after}

to add the outer hooks, etc.

\BeforeBeginEnvironment

\BeforeBeginEnvironment $[\langle label \rangle]$ $\{\langle code \rangle\}$

This declaration adds to the env/ $\langle env \rangle$ /before hook using the $\langle label \rangle$. If $\langle label \rangle$ is not given, the $\langle default\ label \rangle$ is used (see section 2.1.5).

\AtBeginEnvironment

 $\verb|\AtBeginEnvironment| [\langle label \rangle] | \{\langle code \rangle\}|$

Like \BeforeBeginEnvironment but adds to the env/ $\langle env \rangle$ /begin hook.

\AtEndEnvironment

 $AtEndEnvironment [\langle label \rangle] \{\langle code \rangle\}$

Like \BeforeBeginEnvironment but adds to the env/ $\langle env \rangle$ /end hook.

\AfterEndEnvironment

 $\verb| AfterEndEnvironment [\langle label \rangle] \{ \langle code \rangle \}|$

Like \BeforeBeginEnvironment but adds to the env/ $\langle env \rangle$ /after hook.

⁶Thus if one adds code to such hooks after the environment has been processed, it will only be executed if the environment appears again and if that doesn't happen the code will never get executed.

2.8.2 Generic hooks for commands

Similar to environments there are now (at least in theory) two generic hooks available for any LATEX command. These are

cmd/\(\lame\)/before This hook is executed at the very start of the command execution.

cmd/(name)/after This hook is executed at the very end of the command body. It is implemented as a reversed hook.

In practice there are restrictions and especially the after hook works only with a subset of commands. Details about these restrictions are documented in ltcmdhooks-doc.pdf or with code in ltcmdhooks-code.pdf.

2.8.3 Generic hooks provided by file loading operations

There are several hooks added to LATEX's process of loading file via its high-level interfaces such as \input, \include, \usepackage, \RequirePackage, etc. These are documented in ltfilehook-doc.pdf or with code in ltfilehook-code.pdf.

2.8.4 Hooks provided by \begin{document}

Until 2020 \begin{document} offered exactly one hook that one could add to using \AtBeginDocument. Experiences over the years have shown that this single hook in one place was not enough and as part of adding the general hook management system a number of additional hooks have been added at this point. The places for these hooks have been chosen to provide the same support as offered by external packages, such as etoolbox and others that augmented \document to gain better control.

Supported are now the following hooks (all of them one-time hooks):

begindocument/before This hook is executed at the very start of \document, one can think of it as a hook for code at the end of the preamble section and this is how it is used by etoolbox's \AtEndPreamble.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

begindocument This hook is added to when using \AtBeginDocument and it is executed after the .aux file as be read in and most initialization are done, so they can be altered and inspected by the hook code. It is followed by a small number of further initializations that shouldn't be altered and are therefore coming later.

The hook should not be used to add material for typesetting as we are still in LaTeX's initialization phase and not in the document body. If such material needs to be added to the document body use the next hook instead.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

begindocument/end This hook is executed at the end of the \document code in other words at the beginning of the document body. The only command that follows it is \ignorespaces.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

The generic hooks executed by \begin also exist, i.e., env/document/before and env/document/begin, but with this special environment it is better use the dedicated one-time hooks above.

2.8.5 Hooks provided by \end{document}

IATEX 2_{ε} always provided \AtEndDocument to add code to the execution of \end{document} just in front of the code that is normally executed there. While this was a big improvement over the situation in IATEX 2.09 it was not flexible enough for a number of use cases and so packages, such as etoolbox, atveryend and others patched \enddocument to add additional points where code could be hooked into.

Patching using packages is always problematical as leads to conflicts (code availability, ordering of patches, incompatible patches, etc.). For this reason a number of additional hooks have been added to the \enddocument code to allow packages to add code in various places in a controlled way without the need for overwriting or patching the core code.

Supported are now the following hooks (all of them one-time hooks):

enddocument The hook associated with \AtEndDocument. It is immediately called at the beginning of \enddocument.

When this hook is executed there may be still unprocessed material (e.g., floats on the deferlist) and the hook may add further material to be typeset. After it, \clearpage is called to ensure that all such material gets typeset. If there is nothing waiting the \clearpage has no effect.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

enddocument/afterlastpage As the name indicates this hook should not receive code that generates material for further pages. It is the right place to do some final housekeeping and possibly write out some information to the .aux file (which is still open at this point to receive data, but since there will be no more pages you need to write to it using \immediate\write). It is also the correct place to set up any testing code to be run when the .aux file is re-read in the next step.

After this hook has been executed the .aux file is closed for writing and then read back in to do some tests (e.g., looking for missing references or duplicated labels, etc.).

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

enddocument/afteraux At this point, the .aux file has been reprocessed and so this is a possible place for final checks and display of information to the user. However, for the latter you might prefer the next hook, so that your information is displayed after the (possibly longish) list of files if that got requested via \listfiles.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

enddocument/info This hook is meant to receive code that write final information messages to the terminal. It follows immediately after the previous hook (so both could have been combined, but then packages adding further code would always need to also supply an explicit rule to specify where it should go.

This hook already contains some code added by the kernel (under the labels kernel/filelist and kernel/warnings), namely the list of files when \listfiles has been used and the warnings for duplicate labels, missing references, font substitutions etc.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).

enddocument/end Finally, this hook is executed just in front of the final call to \@@end.

This is a one-time hook, so after it is executed, all further attempts to add code to it will execute such code immediately (see section 2.5).is it even possible to add code after this one?

There is also the hook shipout/lastpage. This hook is executed as part of the last \shipout in the document to allow package to add final \special's to that page. Where this hook is executed in relation to those from the above list can vary from document to document. Furthermore to determine correctly which of the \shipouts is the last one, LaTeX needs to be run several times, so initially it might get executed on the wrong page. See section 2.8.6 for where to find the details.

It is in also possible to use the generic env/document/end hook which is executed by \end, i.e., just in front of the first hook above. Note however that the other generic \end environment hook, i.e., env/document/after will never get executed, because by that time LATEX has finished the document processing.

2.8.6 Hooks provided by \shipout operations

There are several hooks and mechanisms added to LATEX's process of generating pages. These are documented in ltshipout-doc.pdf or with code in ltshipout-code.pdf.

2.8.7 Hooks provided in NFSS commands

In languages that need to support for more than one script in parallel (and thus several sets of fonts), e.g., Latin and Japanese fonts, NFSS font commands, such as \sffamily, need to switch both the Latin family to "Sans Serif" and in addition alter a second set of fonts.

To support this several NFSS have hooks in which such support can be added.

rmfamily After \rmfamily has done its initial checks and prepared a any font series update this hook is executed and only afterwards \selectfont.

sffamily Like the rmfamily hook but for the \sffamily command.

ttfamily Like the rmfamily hook but for the \ttfamily command.

normalfont The \normalfont command resets font encoding family series and shape to their document defaults. It then executes this hook and finally calls \selectfont.

expand@font@defaults The internal \expand@font@defaults command expands and saves the current defaults for the meta families (rm/sf/tt) and the meta series (bf/md). If the NFSS machinery has been augmented, e.g., for Chinese or Japanese fonts, then further defaults may need to be set at this point. This can be done in this hook which is executed at the end of this macro.

bfseries/defaults, bfseries If the \bfdefault was explicitly changed by the user its new value is used to set the bf series defaults for the meta families (rm/sf/tt) when \bfseries is called. In the bfseries/defaults hook further adjustments can be made in this case. This hook is only executed if such a change is detected. In contrast the bfseries hook is always executed just before \selectfont is called to change to the new series.

mdseries/defaults, mdseries These two hooks are like the previous ones but used in \mdseries command.

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