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neoshorthands

Abstract

This is the documentation of the package neoshorthands. It is a tool to use the powerful Neo-layout with \LaTeX . It does not do very much, but mapping many of the useful symbols to \TeX commands. τ will be converted to $\backslash\tau$. This package does *not* define fancy commands and is therefore very robust. Just say `\usepackage{neoshorthands}`. If you find any incompatibilities with any package, please drop me a mail and maybe I can take care of it.

The single command of this package is `\neoshorthand{ } \tau` which maps the command onto the given symbol. You can add your own definitions, but please consider to send me the code so I could add it to the package. Only with the help of many people, this package can be useful for many people!

`\sh{ } \tau` is a shorthand for `\neoshorthand`. It could have been `\ns` for `\neoshorthand`, but I found `\ns` not to be an appropriate macro name.

Special thanks to the guys on German \TeX mailinglist `tex-d-1` who gave me the code (I copied it from the `alrtex` package).

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Implementation

First, the helper macros. Thanks to the German mailinglist participants!

```
1 \RequirePackage{xkeyval}
\add@special 2 \def\add@special#1{%
3   \rem@special{#1}%
4   \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\dospecials\expandafter
5 {\dospecials_\do_#1}%
6   \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@sanitize\expandafter
7 {\@sanitize_\@makeother_#1}}
\rem@special 8 \def\rem@special#1{%
```

```

9   \def\do##1{%
10   \ifnum`#1=`##1_\else_\noexpand\do\noexpand##1\fi}%
11   \xdef\dospecials{\dospecials}%
12   \begingroup
13   \def\@makeother##1{%
14   \ifnum`#1=`##1_\else_\noexpand\@makeother\noexpand##1\fi}%
15   \xdef\@sanitize{\@sanitize}%
16   \endgroup}

\neoshorthand 17 \def\neoshorthand#1#2{%
18   \expandafter\ifx\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname\relax
19   \add@special{#1}%
20   \expandafter
21   \xdef\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname{\the\catcode`#1}%
22   \begingroup
23   \catcode`\~\active_\lccode`\~`#1%
24   \lowercase{%
25   \global\expandafter\let
26   \csname_ac\string#1\endcsname~%
27   \expandafter\gdef\expandafter~\expandafter{#2}}%
28   \endgroup
29   \global\catcode`#1\active
30   \else
31   \fi
32 }

\makeneosection 33 \def\makeneosection#1{
34   \count@\escapechar\escapechar\m@ne\expandafter\let\csname_if#1%
35   \endcsname\iffalse\expandafter\@if\csname_if#1\endcsname%
36   \iftrue\expandafter\@if\csname_if#1\endcsname\iffalse%
37   \escapechar\count@%
38   \csname#1true\endcsname
39   \DeclareOptionX{no#1}{\expandafter\csname#1false\endcsname}
40 }

no#1 37 }

\neosection 38 \def\neosection#1{
39   \expandafter\csname_if#1\endcsname_\let\sh\neoshorthand_\else_\let%
40   \sh\@gobbletwo_\fi
41 }

41 \makeneosection{greek}
42 \makeneosection{math}
43 \makeneosection{sets}
44 \makeneosection{arrows}
45 \makeneosection{bbm}
46 \makeneosection{fractions}
47 \makeneosection{subscripts}

exclude 48 \DeclareOptionX{exclude}{\def\excludeoptions{#1}}
\excludeoptions 49 \ProcessOptionsX

50 \newif\ifpackage@option@math
51 \package@option@mathtrue

\package@test@exclude 52 \def\package@test@exclude{%

```

```

53 \for\@tempa:=\excludeoptions\do{%
54 \ifcsname\ifpackage@option@\@tempa\endcsname
55 \package@option@mathfalse
56 \@nameuse{package@option@\@tempa\false}%
57 \fi
58 }%
59 }
60 \package@test@exclude
61 \ifx\excludeoptions\@empty\else
62 \package@test@exclude
63 \fi

```

And from here on, the great list of symbols is defined.

greek

```

64 \neosection{greek}
65 \sh{} \alpha
66 \sh{} \beta
67 \sh{} \gamma
68 \sh{} \delta
69 \sh{} \epsilon
70 \sh{} \eta
71 \sh{} \theta
72 \sh{} \mu
73 \sh{} \nu
74 \sh{} \lambda
75 \sh{} \pi
76 \sh{} \sigma
77 \sh{} \xi
78 \sh{} \psi
79 \sh{} \phi
80 \sh{} \zeta
81 \sh{} \tau
82 \sh{} \rho
83 \sh{} \upsilon
84 \sh{} \omega
85 \sh{\Gamma} \Gamma
86 \sh{\Delta} \Delta
87 \sh{\Pi} \Pi
88 \sh{\Phi} \Phi
89 \sh{\Xi} \Xi

```

careful! Σ will give a sum-sign, not a Sigma!!

```

90 \sh{\Sigma} \sum
91 \sh{\Omega} \Omega

```

arrows

```

92 \neosection{arrows}

```

```

93 \sh{ }\Leftarrow
94 \sh{ }\rightarrow
95 \sh{ }\Leftrightarrow
96 \sh{-}\rightarrow

```

mathematical symbols

```

97 \neosection{math}
98 \sh{\sqrt}\sqrt
99 \sh{ }\int
100 \sh{ }\partial
101 \sh{ }\exists
102 \sh{\omega}\infty
103 \sh{ }\aleph
104 \sh{ }\ge
105 \sh{ }\le
106 \sh{\cdot}\cdot

```

sets and logic

```

107 \neosection{sets}
108 \sh{ }\emptyset
109 \sh{ }\subset
110 \sh{ }\cup
111 \sh{ }\cap
112 \sh{ }\in
113 \sh{ }\notin
114 \sh{ }\forall

```

sub/superscript

```

115 \neosection{subscripts}
\subo 116 \def\subo{_0}
\subi 117 \def\subi{_1}
\subii 118 \def\subii{_2}
119 \sh{ }\subo
120 \sh{ }\subi
121 \sh{ }\subii
\supii 122 \def\supii{^2}
\supiii 123 \def\supiii{^3}
\supiv 124 \def\supiv{^4}
\supvi 125 \def\supvi{^6}
126 \sh{^2}\supii
127 \sh{^3}\supiii
128 \sh{ }\supiv
129 \sh{ }\supvi
130 \neosection{fractions}

```

```

\sh@half 131 \def\sh@half{\bgroup\textstyle\frac_12\egroup}
\sh@quarter 132 \def\sh@quarter{\bgroup\textstyle\frac_14\egroup}
133 \sh{1/2}\sh@half
134 \sh{1/4}\sh@quarter

```

blackboard bold math

bbm needs some special treatment, as `\mathbb` is not known without the package. So we hide it and wrap it etc.

```

135 \neosection{bbm}
\makemathbb 136 \def\makemathbb#1{
137   \expandafter\def\csname\mathbb#1\endcsname{\mathbb{#1}}
138 }
139 \makemathbb_C
140 \makemathbb_N
141 \makemathbb_R
142 \makemathbb_Q
143 \makemathbb_Z
144 \sh{ }\mathbbC
145 \sh{ }\mathbbN
146 \sh{ }\mathbbR
147 \sh{ }\mathbbQ
148 \sh{ }\mathbbZ
149 \</package>

```

contribution

If you want to change a certain symbol in your document, you have to use the command `\neoshorthand`, as `\sh` will no longer be defined after this package is loaded. I think, the name is too good to be blocked by such a function. Thanks to Dennis „f“ Heidsiek and Sebastian Werk for submitting some `\sh`-lines!

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