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Part I User Guide

Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 About this Manual

This manual is about MiKT_EX: the purpose of this manual is not to give an introduction into the world of T_EX. If you are not familiar with using T_EX (and Friends), then please consider reading one of the tutorials available on the Internet¹ http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=tutorials*>.

1.2 About MiKTEX

MiKT_EX (pronounced *mik-tech*) is an up-to-date implementation of T_EX and related programs for Windows (all current variants). T_EX is a typesetting system invented by D. E. Knuth.

MiKTFX's main features include:

- easy to install
- integrated package management: missing packages can be installed automatically (on-the-fly) during run-time
- network friendly: MiKTFX can be run directly from a shared and read-only network directory
- complete: the MiKTEX distribution contains almost all packages that are freely redistributable.
- enhanced TEX compiler capabilities
- enhanced previewer capabilities: forward/inverse DVI search, graphics, color, magnifying glass, ...
- open source: MiKTEX source code is get-at-able for everyone

The MiKTFX distribution consists of the following components:

TEX, METAFONT, **TEX**ware, METAFONTware, **Computer Modern Fonts** the base TEX system

```
pdfTeX, X3TeX, \Omega, \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{T}}\mathcal{S} various TeX derivatives
```

METAPOST

a METAFONT derivative for the creation of PostScript figures

Dvipdfm

converts TEX output into PDF documents

macro packages

almost all free TEX macro packages

fonts

almost all free fonts

^{1 &}lt;http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=tutorials*>

Yap a sophisticated viewer for TEX output

T_EXify

a TEX compiler driver

MiKT_FX Options

assists in configuring MiKT_FX

MiKTEX Update Wizard

assists in keeping the MiKTEX system up-to-date

lots of utilities

tools for the creation of bibliographies & indexes, PostScript utilities, and more

1.3 How to Get MiKT_EX

The MiKT_FX distribution can be downloaded from the Internet. And it is available on DVD-R.

1.3.1 Downloading MiKT_EX

There MiKTEX setup program comes in two flavors:

- Basic MiKTeX Installer
- MiKTeX Net Installer

You use the Basic MiKTeX Installer to install a basic MiKTeX system. The MiKTeX Net Installer can be used to download and install a complete MiKTeX system. All this is explained later in this manual (see Chapter 2, "Installing MiKTeX").

1.3.2 MiKTEX on DVD-R

The MiKTEX DVD-R allows you to install MiKTEX on the hard-disk or to run the programs directly from the DVD-R.

If you wish to obtain a copy of the MiKTEX DVD-R, visit the DVD-R info page² http://miktex.org/dvd.

1.4 Give Back

If you enjoy MiKTEX and want to support the project, then please become an esteemed MiKTEX user by giving back something. It encourages me to continue, and is the perfect way to say thank you!

Visit the MiKTFX Give Back page³ http://miktex.org/giveback, for more information.

1.5 The MiKT_EX Project Page

The MiKTEX Project Page⁴ http://miktex.org is the address to turn to for MiKTEX related news & information.

² <http://miktex.org/dvd>

^{3 &}lt;http://miktex.org/giveback>

^{4 &}lt;http://miktex.org>

1.6 The MiKTEX Mailing List

There is a discussion list for MiKT_EX users. You can join this list by visiting the MiKTeX-Users Info Page⁵ http://lists.sourceforge.net/lists/listinfo/miktex-users and filling out the form provided there.

To see the collection of prior postings to the mailing list, browse the MiKTeX-Users Archives⁶ http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?forum=miktex-users>.

1.7 Documentation

Use the ${\bf mthelp}$ utility to quickly access general $T_E X$ related documentation. For example, run ${\bf mthelp}$ ${\bf memoir}$ to view documentation of the ${\bf memoir}$ package.

⁵ <http://lists.sourceforge.net/lists/listinfo/miktex-users>

^{6 &}lt;a href="http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?forum=miktex-users">http://sourceforge.net/mailarchive/forum.php?forum=miktex-users

Chapter 2

Installing MiKTEX

2.1 Prerequisites

MiKTEX 2.9 requires one of the following Windows operating systems:

- Windows 7
- Windows Vista with Service Pack 2 (all editions except Starter Edition)
- Windows XP with Service Pack 3 (all editions except Starter Edition)
- Windows Server 2008 R2
- Windows Server 2008 with Service Pack 2
- Windows Server 2003 R2
- Windows Server 2003 with Service Pack 2

Please note that MiKT_EX 2.9 does not work on legacy Windows platforms (Windows 9x/Me/NT/2000).

2.2 Installing a basic MiKT_EX system

Get the "Basic MiKTEX Installer" (basic-miktex-2.9.xxxx.exe) from the download page 1 http://miktex.org/2.8/setup and run it.

First you will presented with the MiKTEX copying conditions (Figure 2.1).

Read the text carefully. Click I accept the MiKTeX copying conditions, if you agree.

You have the option to create a shared MiKTEX installation (Figure 2.2). Use this option if you are the administrator of your computer and if you want to install MiKTEX for all users. This option is not available if you are logged into a limited user account.

Click **Anyone who uses this computer (all users)** if you want to install MiKTEX for all users. Click **Only for ...**, if nobody else shall be able to use MiKTEX.

MiKTFX will be installed in a standard installation directory (Figure 2.3).

Click the Browse... button, if you want to specify another directory location.

The wizard allows you to set the prefered paper size (Figure 2.4).

You also have the option to change the default behaviour of the integrated package manager for the case where a required package is missing. Select **Ask me first**, if the package manager shall ask for permission. Select **Always**, if the package manager is always allowed to install missing packages. Select **Never**, if you disallow the installation of missing packages. All these preferences can be changed later with the help of MiKTFX Options.

Before the actual installation process begins, you get a chance to review your decisions (Figure 2.5).

^{1 &}lt;http://miktex.org/2.8/setup>

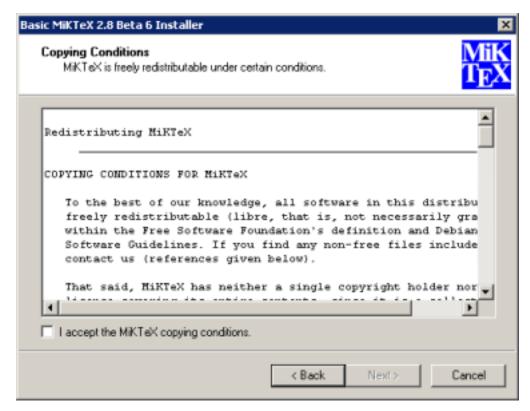


Figure 2.1: Basic MiKTeX Installer: License

If you are satisfied with the settings, click the **Start** button to start the installation. This will take a few minutes (Figure 2.6).

When the installation has finished, you can click the Next to open the last wizard page (Figure 2.7).

MiKT_FX is now installed and you can begin using it. Click **Close**, to dismiss the setup wizard.

2.3 Installing a complete MiKTEX system

In order to install a complete MiKT_EX system, you need the MiKTeX Net Installer. You can get it from the download page² http://miktex.org/current/setup.

2.3.1 Task #1: Download the complete MiKTEX distribution

Before you can actually install MiKTFX you have have to download the MiKTFX distribution.

You can use MiKTeX Net Installer to download MiKTeX.

Alternatively, you can use a third-party download utility (e.g. **wget**) to download the contents of the CTAN directory systems/win32/miktex/tm/packages/.

Depending on your Internet connection, the download can take several hours to complete. If something goes wrong, you can resume the download operation by starting again.

2.3.2 Task #2: Install MiKTEX

Once the download operation is complete, you are ready to install MiKTEX: start MiKTeX Net Installer and choose **Install MiKTEX** as the primary setup task.

When asked for the package set, choose **Complete MiKTeX**.

^{2 &}lt;http://miktex.org/current/setup>

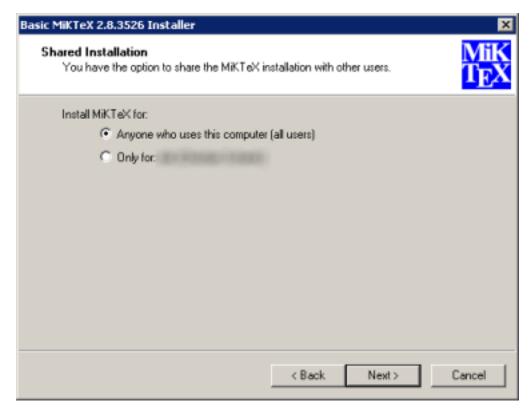


Figure 2.2: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Shared vs. private installation

When asked for the directory from where MiKT_EX shall be installed, click the **Browse** button and specify the location of the MiKT_EX package repository (see previous section).

2.4 Items in the Start Menu

MiKTFX Setup Wizard installs the following menu items in the Windows start menu:

MiKTeX 2.9 → Previewer

A shortcut to the MiKTFX previewer Yap.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{TeXworks}$

A shortcut to TeXworks, an integrated development environment for TeX and \LaTeX

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{Help} \rightarrow \textbf{FAQ}$

Answers to frequently asked questions.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{Help} \rightarrow \textbf{Manual}$

The MiKT_EX manual.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{Maintenance} \rightarrow \textbf{Package Manager}$

A shortcut to the MiKTEX package manager.

MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance \rightarrow Settings

A shortcut to MiKTEX Options.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{Maintenance} \rightarrow \textbf{Update}$

A shortcut to the MiKTEX update wizard.

MiKTeX 2.9 → Maintenance (Admin) → Package Manager (Admin)

A shortcut to the admin variant of the MiKTEX package manager.

MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance (Admin) \rightarrow Settings (Admin)

A shortcut to the admin variant of MiKTEX Options.

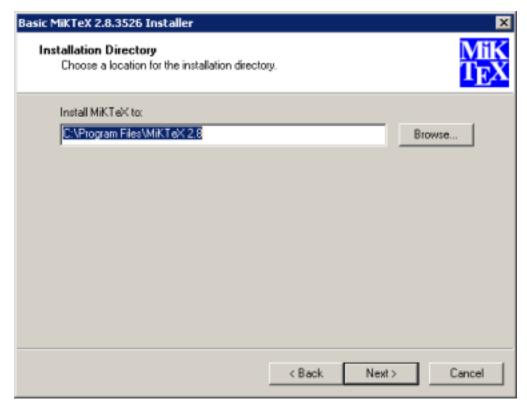


Figure 2.3: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Installation directory

MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance (Admin) \rightarrow Update (Admin)

A shortcut to the admin variant of the MiKTFX update wizard.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{MiKTeX on the Web} \rightarrow \textbf{Known Issues}$

An Internet shortcut to the MiKTEX issues page.

MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow MiKTeX on the Web \rightarrow MiKTeX Project Page

An Internet shortcut to the MiKTEX project page.

MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow MiKTeX on the Web \rightarrow Registration

An Internet shortcut to the MiKTEX registration page.

$\textbf{MiKTeX 2.9} \rightarrow \textbf{MiKTeX on the Web} \rightarrow \textbf{Support}$

An Internet shortcut to the MiKTFX support page.

2.5 Removing MiKTEX

 $MiKT_EX$ can be removed from your computer in the following way:

- 1. Open Control Panel.
- 2. Double-click Add or Remove Programs.
- 3. Click MiKTeX 2.9.
- 4. Click Change/Remove.

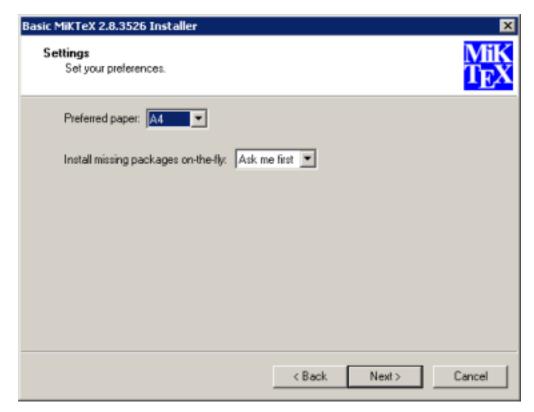


Figure 2.4: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Settings

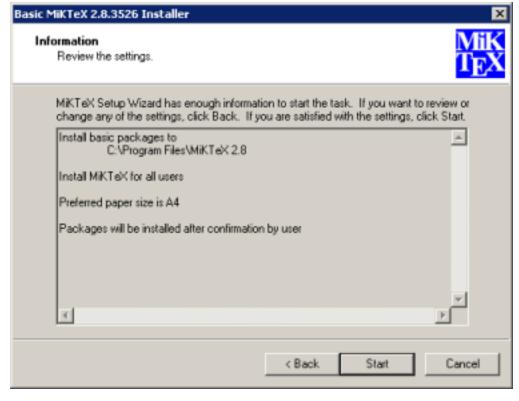


Figure 2.5: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Review

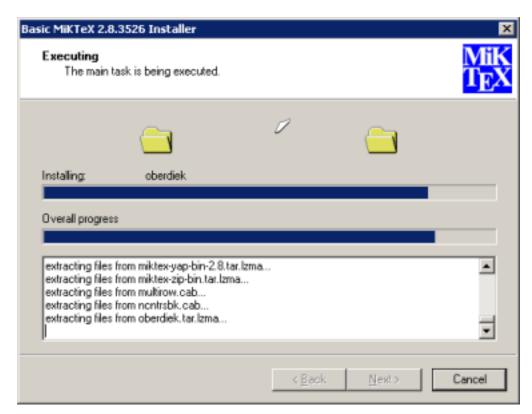


Figure 2.6: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Installation progress

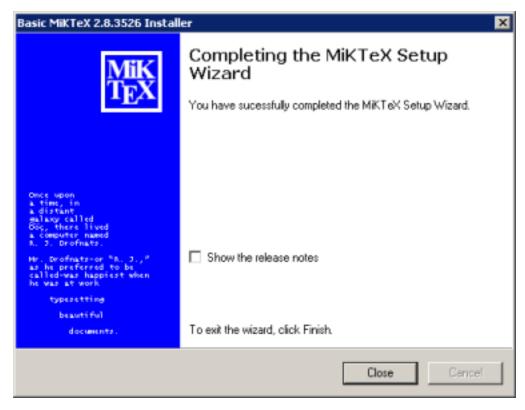


Figure 2.7: Basic MiKTeX Installer: Finish

Chapter 3

Using MiKTEX

3.1 Getting Started

If you have never used TEX before, then it is recommendable to work through one of the TEX/ \triangle TEX tutorials. A good starting point is this entry in the UK TEX FAQ: http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html? label=tutorials*>.

MiKTEX doesn't differ very much from any other TEX system you might have used before. Typesetting with MiKTEX involves these steps:

- 1. Start TFXworks and edit your LATFX document.
- 2. Press Ctrl-T to create a typeset view of your document.

3.2 Specialities

This section describes features that were added to the MiKTEX implementation of TEX & Friends.

3.2.1 Automatic Package Installation

All MiKTEX programs can be configured in such a way that missing packages are automatically installed (see Section 4.5).

It is possible to override the global configuration setting with these command line options:

-disable-installer

Missing packages will not be installed.

-enable-installer

Missing packages will be installed.

3.2.2 Finding out Package Usages

The command line option -record-package-usages can be used to find out which packages are used in a job.

For example, you would say

latex -record-package-usages=packages.txt test

to create the file packages.txt, which contains the names of the packages used by test.tex.

If test.tex looks like this:

```
\documentclass{scrartcl}
\begin{document}
Hello, world!
\end{document}

Then the resulting packages.txt would contain these lines:
cm
koma-script
ltxbase

The package list can be handed over to the package manager (see mpm(1)), e.g.
mpm --update-some=packages.txt
would ensure that you have the latest versions installed.
```

3.2.3 Suppressing Screen Output

The option -quiet suppresses all diagnostic messages. No screen output is produced, unless there are errors. The -quiet option implies -c-style-errors and -interaction=batchmode, i.e. errors will be shown in a "C style form" and do not stop the compilation process.

```
For example, the input file foo.tex

\documentclass{article}
\begin{document}
What's \This?
\end{documnt}

would cause TEX to print one error message, as in the following example:
> latex -quiet foo.tex
foo.tex:3: Undefined control sequence
```

3.2.4 Setting the Name of the Output File

You can change the name of all output files by using the option <code>-job-name=name</code>. This switch actually sets the name of the TEX job and has an effect of the output file names, because these names are derived from the job name. Look at the following example:

```
> latex -job-name=foo sample2e
This is TeX, Version 3.14159 (MiKTeX 2.2)
(D:\texmf\tex\latex\base\sample2e.tex
LaTeX2e <2001/06/01>
Babel <v3.7h> and hyphenation patterns for english, german, ngerman, loaded.
(D:\texmf\tex\latex\base\article.cls
Document Class: article 2001/04/21 v1.4e Standard LaTeX document class
(D:\texmf\tex\latex\base\size10.clo))
No file foo.aux.
(D:\texmf\tex\latex\base\omscmr.fd) [1] [2] [3] (foo.aux) )
Output written on foo.dvi (3 pages, 7256 bytes).
Transcript written on foo.log.
>
```

Note the altered output file names: foo.aux, foo.dvi and foo.log.

3.2.5 Auto-insertion of Source Specials

3.2.5.1 What Are Source Specials?

Source specials are pieces of information embedded in a DVI file. They make a connection between the source file location (e.g., "line 100 in foo.tex") and the DVI location (e.g., "page 2 in foo.dvi"). Source specials can improve the edit-compile-view-edit cycle:

- 1. You edit the source file with a TFX editor.
- 2. You compile the source file.
- 3. You execute a special editor command to open the previewer Yap, going directly to the page that corresponds to the cursor location in your editor window.
- 4. You navigate through the viewed document.
- 5. You double-click somewhere inside the viewed document; this causes Yap to bring the editor window back to the front, moving the text cursor directly to the line that corresponds to the view location.

3.2.5.2 How to Insert Source Specials

The TEX compiler option -src-specials directs TEX to insert source specials into the DVI file.

You would say

latex -src-specials foo.tex

to create the DVI file foo.dvi with embedded source specials.

3.2.6 Quoted File Names

The TEX compiler can handle quoted file names. This makes it possible to specify long file names that contain spaces.

For example, to compile the input file long file name.tex, you start TEX as follows:

latex "long file name"

This produces the DVI file "long file name.dvi". The log file is named "long file name.log".

You can, to some extent, use quoted file names inside the TFX document. For example:

\input{"extra long file name"}

This would cause TFX to read the file "extra long file name.tex".

Things get a little bit complicated if you want to use the LATEX primitive \include. You have to write something like the following:

\include{"extra\space long\space file\space name"}

3.2.7 Specifying Additional Input Directories

The command-line option -include-directory=dir causes the program to include dir into the list of input directories.

For example:

latex --include-directory="C:\My Styles" foo.tex

This prepends C:\My Styles to the input search path, i.e., C:\My Styles will be searched first, when TEX tries to find an input file.

3.2.8 Specifying the Output Directory

The option -output-directory=dir causes TFX to create all output files in another directory.

For example:

```
> mkdir C:\texoutput
> latex -output-directory=C:\texoutput sample2e.tex
...
```

This ensures that all output files (foo.dvi, foo.log, ...) will be created in C:\texoutput\.

3.2.9 Specifying the Directory for Auxiliary Files

The option -aux-directory=dir causes TEX to create auxiliary files in another directory. For example:

```
> mkdir C:\texoutput
> mkdir C:\tobedeleted
> latex -output-directory=C:\texoutput -aux-directory=C:\tobedeleted foo.tex
...
>
```

This ensures that 1) foo.dvi will be created in C:\texoutput\ and 2) all other files (foo.log, ...) will be created in C:\tobedeleted\..

3.2.10 Running Programs From Within TEX

3.2.10.1 \write18

T_EX handles output stream 18 in a special way: the token list is interpreted as a command line. If the \write18 feature is enabled (see below), then \write18 $\{toklist\}$ starts the command interpreter (usually **cmd.exe**) to carry out the command specified by toklist. For example:

\write18{dir}

lists the files and sub-directories of the current directory.

Note



The \write18 feature is only partially enabled by default to avoid security problems: only well known commands are allowed. You fully enable the feature by specifying -enable-write18 on the TFX command-line.

3.2.10.2 Piped Input and Output

TEX's input/output primitives can be used for unidirectional interprocess communication by prepending a pipe symbol to the file name.

If this feature is enabled, then $\inv | command$ starts the command interpreter (usually **cmd.exe**) to carry out the command. The output of the command becomes the input of T_FX . For example:

\input "|dir/b"

typesets the file names of the current directory.

Likewise, it is possible to let TEX write something into the input stream of a command. For example:

```
\immediate\openout1 = "|unix2dos|sort > sorted"
\immediate\write 1 {b}
\immediate\write 1 {a}
\immediate\write 1 {c}
\immediate\closeout1
\input sorted
```

typesets a b c.

Note



Piped input and output is disabled by default to avoid security problems. You enable the feature by specifying -enable-pipes on the TEX command-line.

3.2.11 TCX Files: Character Translations

This section is "borrowed" from the Web2C manual.

TCX (TEX character translation) files help TEX support direct input of 8-bit international characters if fonts containing those characters are being used. Specifically, they map an input (keyboard) character code to the internal TEX character code (a superset of ASCII).

Of the various proposals for handling more than one input encoding, TCX files were chosen because they follow Knuth's original ideas for the use of the xchr and xord tables. He ventured that these would be changed in the WEB source in order to adjust the actual version to a given environment. It turned out, however, that recompiling the WEB sources is not as simple task as Knuth predicted; therefore, TCX files, providing the possibility of changing of the conversion tables on on-the-fly, has been implemented instead.

This approach limits the portability of T_EX documents, as some implementations do not support it (or use a different method for input-internal reencoding). It may also be problematic to determine the encoding to use for a T_EX document of unknown provenance; in the worst case, failure to do so correctly may result in subtle errors in the typeset output.

While TCX files can be used with any format, using them breaks the LATEX inputenc package. This is why you should either use texfile or inputenc in LATEX input files, but never both.

This is entirely independent of the MLTeX extension: whereas a TCX file defines how an input keyboard character is mapped to TEX's internal code, MLTeX defines substitutions for a non-existing character glyph in a font with a \accent construction made out of two separate character glyphs. TCX files involve no new primitives; it is not possible to specify that an input (keyboard) character maps to more than one character.

Specifying TCX files:

• You can specify a TCX file to be used for a particular TEX run by specifying the command-line option -translate-file=tcxfile or (preferably) specifying it explicitly in the first line of the main document:

```
%& -translate-file=tcxfile
```

- TCX files are searched for along the TCXPath path.
- initex ignores TCX files.

MiKTEX comes with at least two TCX files, ill-tl.tcx and il2-tl.tcx. These support ISO Latin 1 and ISO Latin 2, respectively, with Cork-encoded fonts (a.k.a.: the T1 encoding). TCX files for Czech, Polish, and Slovak are also provided.

Syntax of TCX files:

- 1. Line-oriented. Blank lines are ignored.
- 2. Whitespace is ignored except as a separator.
- 3. Comments start with % and continue to the end of the line.
- 4. Otherwise, a line consists of one or two character codes:

```
src [dest]
```

- 5. Each character code may be specified in octal with a leading 0, hexadecimal with a leading 0x, or decimal otherwise. Values must be between 0 and 255, inclusive (decimal).
- 6. If the dest code is not specified, it is taken to be the same as src.
- 7. If the same src code is specified more than once, it is the last definition that counts.

By default, no characters are translated, and character codes between 32 and 126 inclusive (decimal) are printable. It is not possible to make these (or any) characters unprintable.

Specifying translations for the printable ASCII characters (codes 32–127) will yield unpredictable results. Additionally you shouldn't make the following characters printable: ^^I (TAB), ^^J (line feed), ^^M (carriage return), and ^^? (delete), since TeX uses them in various ways.

Thus, the idea is to specify the input (keyboard) character code for src, and the output (font) character code for dest.

3.3 texify: The MiKTEX Compiler Driver

texify is a command-line utility that simplifies the creation of DVI (PDF) documents: texify automatically runs LATEX (pdfLATEX), MakeIndex and BibTEX as many times as necessary to produce a DVI (PDF) file with sorted indices and all cross-references resolved. To run texify on an input file foo.tex, do this:

```
texify foo.tex
```

As shown in the example above, the input file names to **texify** must include any extension (.tex, .ltx, ...).

There are several command line options you can use to control **texify** (see texify(1)). Here are some examples:

```
texify --clean foo.tex
```

All auxiliary files will be removed, i.e., only the output foo.dvi file will be left in the current folder.

```
texify --tex-option=--src foo.tex
```

Passes the option -src to the TEX compiler.

```
texify --run-viewer foo.tex
```

Opens the output file foo.dvi (unless there are compile erros).

```
texify --tex-option=--src --viewer-option="-1 -s\"200 foo.tex\"" --run-viewer foo.tex
```

Compiles foo.tex with source file information (-src) and then initiates forward DVI search to open foo.dvi at the source special location "200 foo.tex". The previewer option -1 re-uses an existing previewer window.

See the Yap manual, for a complete list of previewer options.

3.4 Printing

3.4.1 Using a Viewer to Print DVI/PDF Files

 T_EX output files (*.dvi/*.pdf) can be printed from within the viewer.

3.4.2 Using mtprint to Print DVI Files

DVI files can also be printed with the help of the command-line utility **mtprint** (MiKTEX Print Utility). For example, run mtprint paper to send the DVI file paper.dvi to the default Windows printer. See mtprint(1), for more information about mtprint

Chapter 4

Maintenance

4.1 Refreshing the File Name Database

To speed up file search, MiKT_EX makes use of a list of known file names. This list is called the *file name database* (FNDB).

It is necessary that you refresh the file name database whenever you manually install T_EX/E^TEX -related files in a user-managed TEXMF directory.

You update the file name database with the help of MiKTEX Options.

Click Start \rightarrow Programs \rightarrow MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance \rightarrow Settings to open the MiKTeX Options window (see Figure 4.1).

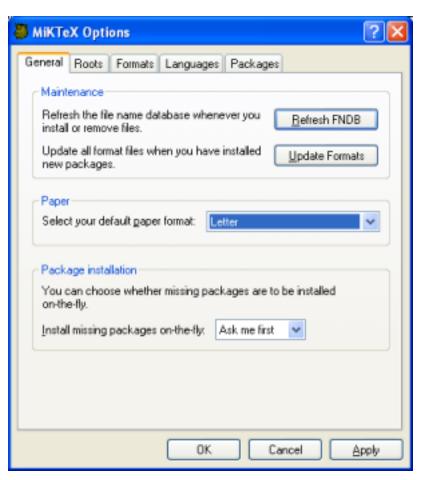


Figure 4.1: MiKTEX Options: General Settings

Click Refresh FNDB to refresh the file name database.

4.2 Setting the Preferred Paper Format

You can set the preferred paper format with the help of MiKTEX Options.

Click **Start** \rightarrow **Programs** \rightarrow **MiKTeX 2.9** \rightarrow **Maintenance** \rightarrow **Settings** to open the MiKTeX Options window (see Figure 4.1). Select your preferred paper format from the drop-down list and click **OK**.

4.3 Selecting Languages

You can control the loading of hyphenation patterns with the help of MiKTFX Options.

Click Start \rightarrow Programs \rightarrow MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance \rightarrow Settings to open the MiKTeX Options window (see Figure 4.1).

Click on the **Languages** tab. You will presented with the list of available languages (Figure 4.2). Mark the languages, whose hyphenation patterns are to be loaded by the TFX engines.

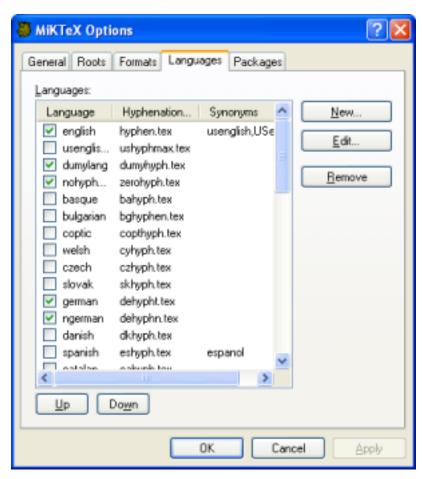
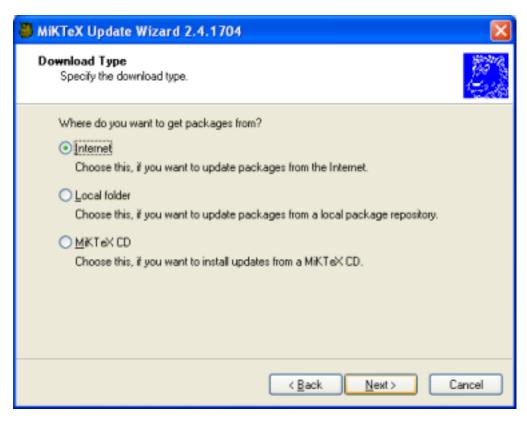


Figure 4.2: MiKTEX Options: Languages

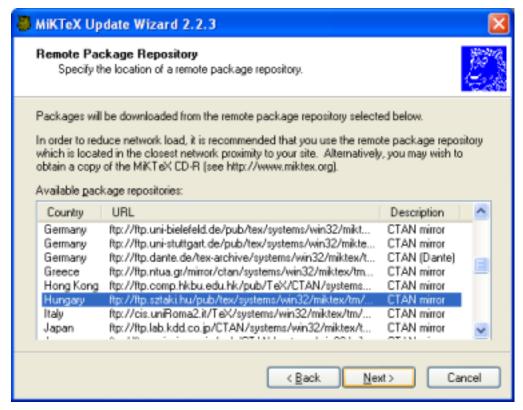
4.4 Installing Updates

You can use the MiKTEX update wizard to install the latest MiKTEX updates. To start the wizard, click $Start \rightarrow Programs \rightarrow MiKTeX \ 2.9 \rightarrow Update$. The wizard asks you to choose an update source:



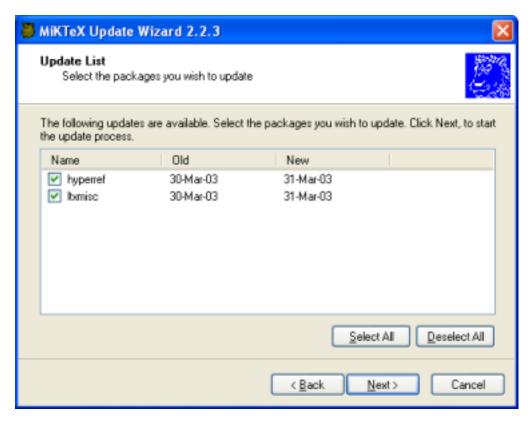
Choose to install updates from a remote package repository. Choose **Local folder**, if you are mirroring a remote package repository on your computer. Chosse **MiKTeX CD**, if you have a new edition of the MiKTeX CD. Click **Next** > to continue.

If you have chosen to install packages from a remote package repository, MiKTEX Update Wizard lists the available package repositories. Choose the nearest repository:



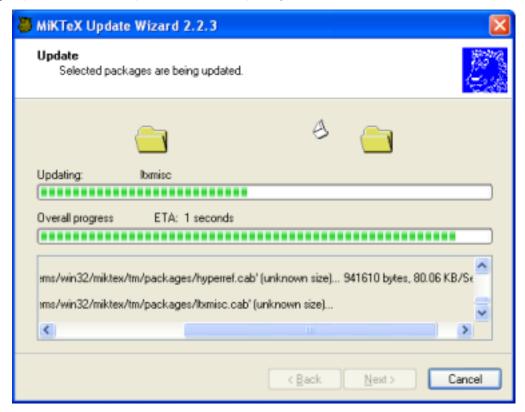
Click **Next** > to continue.

A list of updateable packages is displayed. Choose the packages you wish to update:



Click **Next** > to start the update process.

MiKTEX Update Wizard now updates the selected packages:



When the update operation is complete, click ${\bf Next}>$ and then ${\bf Finish}.$

4.5 Automatic Package Installation

MiKTFX has the ability to automatically install missing packages.

MiKTEX asks your permission before installing a package (see Figure 4.3.

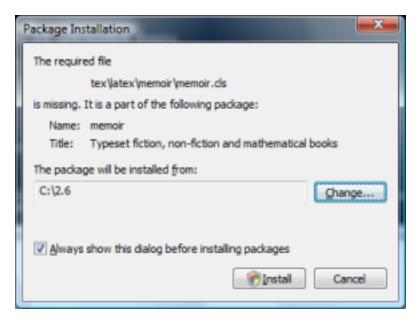


Figure 4.3: Automatic Package Installation

Click **Install** to start the installation of the package. Click **Cancel**, to cancel the installation. If you do not want to see this dialog in the future, clear the mark from the check box **Always show this dialog before installing packages**. Your decision will be remembered.

4.6 Integrating Local Additions

If you have files that you want to integrate into the MiKTEX setup, you have several options:

Use the command-line option -include-directory=dir

For example:

latex --include-directory=C:\path\to\my\style\files thesis.tex

See Section 3.2.7, for more information.

Set environment variables

For example:

set TEXINPUTS=C:\path\to\my\style\files
latex thesis.tex

See Chapter 8, "Environment variables", to learn more about MiKTEX environment variables.

Register a user-managed TEXMF directory

Register the root of the directory tree which contains your files. The directory tree must conform to the TDS standard, i.e., you must imitate the directory tree in the MiKTEX installation directory (usually C:\Program Files\MiKTeX 2.9).

TIP



This is the recommended method. The rest of this section explains how you can register your own root directory.

4.6.1 A Short Excursion: The TEX Directory Structure (TDS)

Here is a brief summary of the TDS standard:

- *.afm go in root\fonts\afm\supplier\font
- *.dvi, *.ps or *.pdf go in $root\doc\latex\package$
- *.enc go in root\fonts\enc\syntax\bundle
- *.map go in root\fonts\map\syntax\bundle
- *.mf go in root\fonts\source\supplier\font
- *.pfb go in root\fonts\type1\supplier\font
- *.sty, *.cls or *.fd go in root\tex\latex\package
- *.tfm go in root\fonts\tfm\supplier\font
- *.ttf go in root\fonts\truetype\supplier\font
- *.vf go in root\fonts\vf\supplier\font

Please run mthelp tds to learn more about the TDS.

4.6.2 Walkthrough: Registering a User-Managed TEXMF Directory

In this walkthrough, we assume that your own additions are located in the directory tree rooted at C:\Local TeX Files. This tree might look as follows:

In our example, the input files are distributed over three directories:

C:\Local TeX Files\bibtex\bib\misc

Contains .bib files.

C:\Local TeX Files\bibtex\bst\misc

Contains .bst files.

C:\Local TeX Files\tex\latex\misc

Contains LATEX input files (*.sty, *.cls, ...).

You use MiKTEX Options to register C:\Local TeX Files. Click $Start \rightarrow Programs \rightarrow MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Maintenance \rightarrow Settings$ to open the MiKTEX Options window (see Figure 4.1).

Click on the **Roots** tab. The **Roots** page (see Figure 4.5) shows the list of currently registered root directories.

Click Add. In the following dialog box (Figure 4.6), browse to C:\Local TeX Files and click OK.

The root directory will be appended to the list (Figure 4.7).

You can move C:\Local TeX Files before the installation directory, if you want to prioritize your own files. Click C:\Local TeX Files to select the list entry. Then click Up to move it before the installation directory (Figure 4.8).

Click OK to close MiKTEX Options The file name database will be refreshed. Your files in C:\Local TeX Files are now available to MiKTEX.

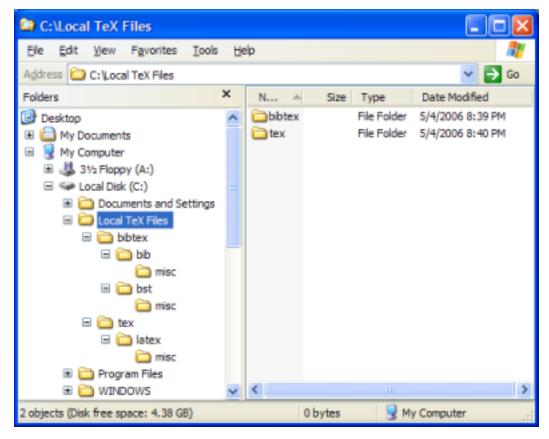


Figure 4.4: Sample TEX Directory Structure

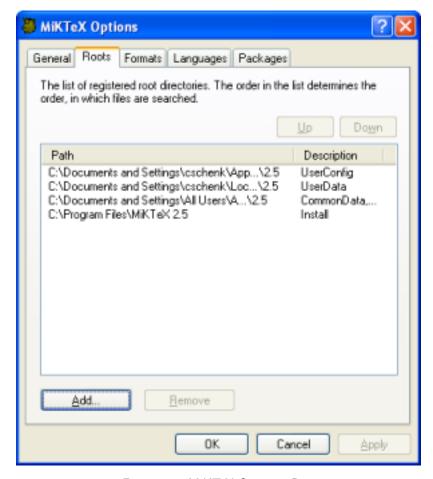


Figure 4.5: MiKTEX Options: Roots



Figure 4.6: Browsing to a Root Directory

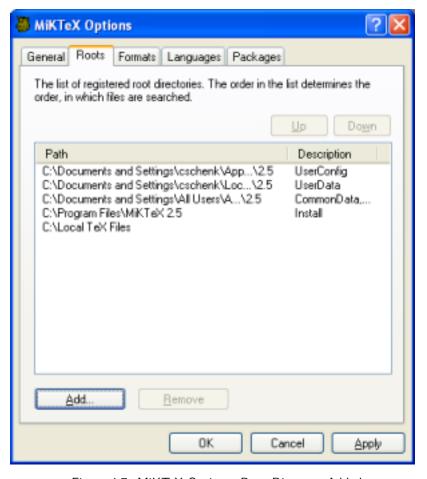


Figure 4.7: MiKTEX Options: Root Directory Added

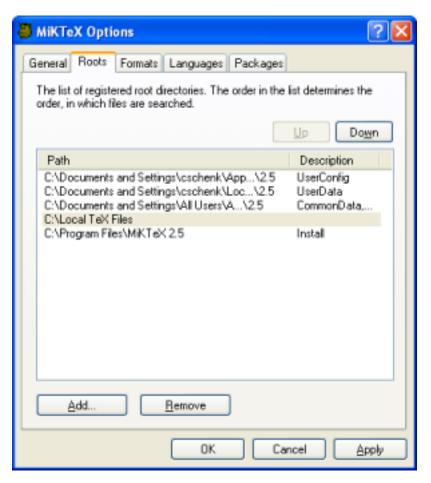


Figure 4.8: MiKTEX Options: Root Directory Moved

Chapter 5

Advanced Topics

5.1 Managing Font Map Files

Information about outline fonts is stored in a file by the name of psfonts.map. This file is created in the course of the setup/update process. It can be manually created by running initexmf --mkmaps.

psfonts.map depends on the file updmap.cfg. This configuration file contains declarative instructions (see updmap.cfg(5)), which will be used to build psfonts.map.

CAUTION



The contents of psfonts.map should never be edited directly. Your modifications get lost when you install new packages.

For example, follow these steps if you want to add an entry for the font map file xyz.map:

- Run initexmf --edit-config-file updmap.
- 2. Insert the following line at the end of the file:

Map xyz.map

- 3. Save the file and close the editor.
- 4. Run initexmf --mkmaps to rebuild the font map files.

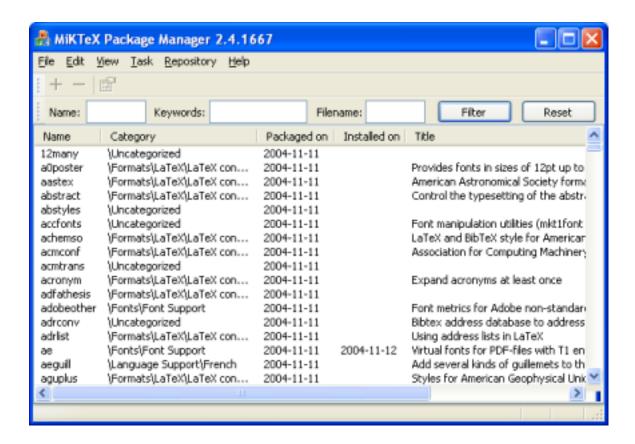
5.2 Working With the Package Manager

You use MiKTEX Package Manager (MPM) to install and remove packages.

The package manager can be run in two modes: batch and windowed.

MPM runs in batch mode if you specify command-line options such as -install and -update (see mpm(1) for a list of available command-line options).

To start the package manager in windowed mode, click $Start \rightarrow Programs \rightarrow MiKTeX 2.9 \rightarrow Browse Packages)$. You will see a window similar to this:



5.2.1 Installing Packages

You install packages as follows:

- 1. Select all wanted packages in the list view.
- 2. Click on + to install the packages.

For example: you want to install the ConTFXt package:

- 1. Locate and select the ConTEXt package in the list view, e.g., type the key sequence C O N T.
- 2. You can now click + to install the package.

5.2.2 Searching Packages

Sometimes you don't know the name of a package, but you know the name of a file that belongs to the wanted package. In this case, enter the file name information in the file name edit control. Note that the file name information can include wildcard characters (*?).

For example: you need to download the class file weekly.cls:

- 1. Enter weekly.cls in the file name edit control.
- 2. Click the Filter button.

The list view will be reduced to contain only the calendar package. Selecting calendar and pressing + will install the package.

5.3 Managing Memory Dump Files

In typical use, TEX, METAFONT and METAPOST require a large number of macros to be predefined; therefore, they support *memory dump* files, which can be read much more efficiently than ordinary source code.

For example, LaTeX macros are stored in the file latex.fmt. This file is loaded by pdfTeX, when you start latex. MiKTeX Options can assist you in defining a new memory dump file:

Click **Start** \rightarrow **Programs** \rightarrow **MiKTeX 2.9** \rightarrow **Maintenance** \rightarrow **Settings** to open the MiKTeX Options window (see Figure 4.1).

Click on the **Formats** tab. You are presented with a list of known memory dump files. To add an entry to this list, click **New...**.

In the Format Definition dialog box, enter the following information:

Format name

The name of the memory dump file without an extension.

Compiler

The program which creates and loads the memory dump file.

Input file

The name of the main input file.

Preloaded format

Optional: The name of another memory dump file, which must be loaded before the actual memory dump file is being created.

Descriptioin

A one-line comment which describes the new memory dump file.

A new executable file with the name of the memory dump will be installed in the MiKTEX bin directory. This executable serves as a short-cut for *compiler* "&name". For example, these two commands are equivalent:

```
latex sample2e
pdftex "&latex" sample2e
```

5.4 Changing TEXMF run-time parameters

You can control a number of run-time parameters (in particular, array sizes) on the command-line or in a configuration file.

Some of the more interesting paramaters:

main_memory

Total words of memory available, for TEX, METAFONT, and METAPOST. You must remake the format file after changing (see Section 5.3).

extra_mem_bot

Extra space for large TEX data structures: boxes, glue, breakpoints, et al.

font_mem_size

Words of font info available for TEX.

See Chapter 10, "TEXMF Run-Time Parameters", for a complete list of the TEXMF run-time parameters.

Here is a typical example of a configuration file:

```
main_memory=2000000
extra_mem_bot=2000000
font_mem_size=2000000
```

The name of the configuration file is that of the engine (e.g., **pdftex**) or format (e.g., **pdflatex**). You use the -edit-config-file option of **initexmf** to edit the configuration file, e.g.:

```
> initexmf --edit-config-file=pdflatex
```

>

Part II

Reference

Chapter 6

Programs

bibtex

Name

bibtex — make a bibliography for (La)TFX

Synopsis

bibtex [option...] [auxname]

Description

bibtex reads the top-level auxiliary (.aux) file that was output during the running of latex or tex and creates a bibliography (.bbl) file that will be incorporated into the document on subsequent runs of LATEX or TEX. The auxname on the command-line must be given without the .aux extension. If you don't give the auxname, the program prompts you for it.

bibtex looks up, in bibliographic database (.bib) files specified by the \bibliography command, the entries specified by the \cite and \nocite commands in the LATEX or TEX source file. It formats the information from those entries according to instructions in a bibliography style (.bst) file (specified by the \bibliographystyle command, and it outputs the results to the .bb1 file.

The LATEX reference manual explains what a LATEX source file must contain to work with **bibtex**. Appendix B of the manual describes the format of the .bib files. The *BibTeXing* document describes extensions and details of this format, and it gives other useful hints for using **bibtex**.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app. exe and invoking app.exe.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKTEX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-min-crossrefs=n

Defines the minimum number of **crossref**s required for automatic inclusion of the crossref'd entry on the citation list; the default is two.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-version

Show version information and exit.

Environment

BIBINPUTS

Extra paths to locate .bib files.

BSTINPUTS

Extra paths to locate .bst files.

See Also

BibT_EXing

Run mthelp btxdoc

Designing BibTEX Styles

Run mthelp btxhak

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dvicopy

Name

dvicopy — produce modified copy of DVI file

Synopsis

dvicopy [option...] indvi outdvi

Description

dvicopy reads a DVI file, expands any references to virtual fonts to base fonts, and writes the resulting DVI file. Thus you can use virtual fonts even if your DVI processor does not support them, by passing the documents through **dvicopy** first.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app.exe and invoking app.exe.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKTEX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-mag=mag

Override existing magnification with mag.

-max-pages=n

Process n pages; default one million. This option cannot be used together with -select.

-page-start=page-spec

Start at page-spec, for example 2 or 5.*.-2. This option cannot be used together with -select.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-select=sel

Select pages to be copied.

The syntax for sel is: start [n], where start is the starting page specification (for example 2 or 5. *.-2) and n (optional) is the maximum number of pages to be copied.

You can use up to 10 -select options. This option cannot be used together with -max-pages or -page-start.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-version

Show version information and exit.

dvips

Name

dvips — convert a DVI file to PostScript

Synopsis

dvips [option...] dvifile

Description

dvips takes a DVI file produced by T_EX (or by some other processor such as **gftodvi**) and converts it to PostScript. The DVI file may be specified without the .dvi extension.

Options

Many of the parameterless options listed here can be turned off by suffixing the option with a zero (0); for instance, to turn off page reversal, use -r0. Such options are marked with a trailing *.

- -a* Conserve memory by making three passes over the DVI file instead of two and only loading those characters actually used.
- -A Print only the odd pages. This option uses TFX page numbers, not physical page numbers.
- -b num

Generate *num* copies of each page, but duplicating the page body rather than using the **/#copies** PostScript variable. This can be useful in conjunction with a header file setting **bop-hook** to do color separations or other neat tricks.

- -B Print only the even pages. This option uses TEX page numbers, not physical page numbers.
- -c num

Generate *num* consecutive copies of every page, i.e., the output is uncollated. This merely sets the builtin PostScript variable **/#copies**.

-C num

Generate *num* copies, but collated (by replicating the data in the PostScript file). Slower than the -c option, but easier on the hands, and faster than resubmitting the same PostScript file multiple times.

-d num

Set the debug flags, showing what Dvips (thinks it) is doing. See the Dvips manual, for the possible values of num. Use -d -1 as the first option for maximum output.

-D num

Set both the horizontal and vertical resolution to <code>num</code>, given in dpi (dots per inch). This affects the choice of bitmap fonts that are loaded and also the positioning of letters in resident PostScript fonts. Must be between 10 and 10000. This affects both the horizontal and vertical resolution. If a high resolution (something greater than 400 dpi, say) is selected, the –Z flag should probably also be used. If you are using fonts made with METAFONT, such as Computer Modern, <code>makepk</code> needs to know about the value for <code>num</code> that you use or METAFONT will fail. See the file <code>modes.mf</code> for a list of resolutions and mode names for most devices.

-e num

Maximum drift in pixels of each character from its 'true' resolution-independent position on the page. The default value of this parameter is resolution dependent (it is the number of entries in the list [100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 800, 1000, 1200, 1600, 2000, 2400, 2800, 3200, ...] that are less than or equal to the resolution in dots per inch). Allowing individual characters to 'drift' from their correctly rounded positions by a few pixels, while regaining the true position at the beginning of each new word, improves the spacing of letters in words.

- -E* Generate an EPSF file with a tight bounding box. This only looks at marks made by characters and rules, not by any included graphics. In addition, it gets the glyph metrics from the TFM file, so characters that print outside their enclosing TFM box may confuse it. In addition, the bounding box might be a bit too loose if the character glyph has significant left or right side bearings. Nonetheless, this option works well enough for creating small EPSF files for equations or tables or the like. (Of course, **dvips** output, especially when using bitmap fonts, is resolution-dependent and thus does not make very good EPSF files, especially if the images are to be scaled; use these EPSF files with care.) For multiple page input files, also specify -i to get each page as a separate EPSF file; otherwise, all the pages are overlaid in the single output file.
- -f* Read the DVI file from standard input and write the PostScript to standard output. The standard input must be seekable, so it cannot be a pipe. If your input must be a pipe, write a shell script that copies the pipe output to a temporary file and then points **dvips** at this file. It turns off the automatic sending of control-D if it was turned on with the -F option or in the configuration file; use -F after the -f to send it anyway.
- -F* Write control-D (ASCII code 4) as the very last character of the PostScript file. This is useful when **dvips** is driving the printer directly instead of working through a spooler, as is common on personal systems. On systems shared by more than one person, this is not recommended.
- -G Shift low chars to higher pos.

-h name

Prepend *name* as an additional header file, or, if *name* is –, suppress all header files. Any definitions in the header file get added to the PostScript userdict.

-i* Make each section be a separate file; a section is a part of the document processed independently, most often created to avoid memory overflow. The filenames are created replacing the suffix of the supplied output file name by a three-digit sequence number. This option is most often used in conjunction with the -S option which sets the maximum section length in pages; if -i is specified and -S is not, each page is output as a separate file. For instance, some phototypesetters cannot print more than ten or so consecutive pages before running out of steam; these options can be used to automatically split a book into ten-page sections, each to its own file.

-I imageoptions

Specify image options:

1, 2, 3

Select PostScript level 1, 2 or 3.

c, g

Use c if you have a color printer or g for conversion to grayscale. Color printing requires PostScript level 2 or higher.

f, r, 8, h

Use f to get flate encoding (requires PostScript level 3), r to get run-length-encoding (requires PostScript level 2), 8 to get ASCII85-encoding instead ASCII-Hex-encoding (requires PostScript level 2) or h to use ASCII-Hex-encoding.

Flate encoding, run-length-encoding and one from ASCII85- or ASCII-Hex-encoding can be used combined.

d Use d to turn draft mode on. Bitmap images are not printed, only the place is marked.

a, o, t, 1, m, s,

To convert an alpha channel into an EPS level 3 masked bitmap use the a option. By use of o you can specify the alpha channel expresses opacity (default), t specifies transparency. Normally only pixels with 0 opacity are masked, all others are drawn. The alternative behaviour is to draw only pixels with full opacity and mask all others, this can be reached by option 1.

Option m advices the program to mix foreground and background color for a pixel depending on its alpha value.

You can specify a background color like 128,255,128 for light green. The color specification must appar after the a option. Normally this background color is used only if there is no background color chunk in the file. Option s gives this command line background color higher priority than the background color from chunk.

- -j* Download only needed characters from Type 1 fonts. This is the default. Some debugging flags trace this operation. You can also control partial downloading on a per-font basis (by editing updmap.cfg). See Section 5.1.
- -k* Print crop marks. This option increases the paper size (which should be specified, either with a paper size special or with the -T option) by a half inch in each dimension. It translates each page by a quarter inch and draws cross-style crop marks. It is mostly useful with typesetters that can set the page size automatically. This works by downloading crop.pro.
- -K* Remove comments in included PostScript graphics, font files, and headers; only necessary to get around bugs in spoolers or PostScript post-processing programs. Specifically, the %%Page comments, when left in, often cause difficulties. Use of this flag can cause other graphics to fail, however, since the PostScript header macros from some software packages read portion the input stream line by line, searching for a particular comment.

-1 [=] num

The last page printed will be the first one numbered num. Default is the last page in the document. If num is prefixed by an equals sign, then it (and the argument to the -p option, if specified) is treated as a physical (absolute) page number, rather than a value to compare with the TEX \count0 values stored in the DVI file. Thus, using -1 =9 will end with the ninth page of the document, no matter what the pages are actually numbered.

- -m* Specify manual feed, if supported by the output device.
- -M* Turns off automatic font generation.

-n num

Print at most num pages. Default is 100000.

-N* Turns off generation of structured comments such as %%Page; this may be necessary on some systems that try to interpret PostScript comments in weird ways, or on some PostScript printers. Beware: This also disables page movement, etc., in PostScript viewers such as GSview.

-o name

Send output to the file name. If -o is specified without name, the default is file.ps where the input DVI file was file.dvi. If -o isn't given at all, the configuration file default is used.

If name is –, output goes to standard output. If the first character of name is ! or |, then the remainder will be used as an argument to popen; thus, specifying |lpr as the output file will automatically queue the file for printing as usual. **dvips** will print to the local printer device PRN when name is |lpr and a program by that name cannot be found.

-o turns off the automatic sending of control-D. See the -f option for how to override this.

-O x-offset, y-offset

Move the origin by x-offset, y-offset, a comma-separated pair of dimensions such as .1in,-.3cm. The origin of the page is shifted from the default position (of one inch down, one inch to the right from the upper left corner of the paper) by this amount. This is usually best specified in the printer-specific configuration file.

This is useful for a printer that consistently offsets output pages by a certain amount. You can use the file testpage.tex to determine the correct value for your printer. Be sure to do several runs with the same 0 value-some printers vary widely from run to run.

If your printer offsets every other page consistently, instead of every page, your best recourse is to use **bop-hook** (see the Dvips manual for more information).

-p [=] num

The first page printed will be the first one numbered num. Default is the first page in the document. If num is prefixed by an equals sign, then it (and the argument to the -1 option, if specified) is treated as a physical (absolute) page number, rather than a value to compare with the $T_EX \setminus count0$ values stored in the DVI file. Thus, using -p = 3 will start with the third page of the document, no matter what the pages are actually numbered.

-pp first-last

Print pages first through last; equivalent to -p first -1 last, except that multiple -pp options accumulate, unlike -p and -1. The - separator can also be :.

-P printer

Read the configuration file config.printer, which can set the output name (most likely o |1pr-Pprinter), resolution, METAFONT mode, and perhaps font paths and other printer-specific defaults. It works best to put sitewide defaults in the one master config.ps file and only things that vary printer to printer in the config.printer files; config.ps is read before config.printer.

- -q* Run quietly. Don't chatter about pages converted, etc. to standard output; report no warnings (only errors) to standard error.
- -r* Output pages in reverse order. By default, page 1 is output first.
- -R Run securely. This disables shell command execution in \special (via ') and config files (via the E), pipes as output files, and opening of any absolute filenames.
- -s* Enclose the output in a global save/restore pair. This causes the file to not be truly conformant, and is thus not recommended, but is useful if you are driving a deficient printer directly and thus don't care too much about the portability of the output to other environments.

-S num

Set the maximum number of pages in each "section". This option is most commonly used with the -i option; see its description above for more information.

-t papertype

Set the paper type to *papertype*, usually defined in one of the configuration files, along with the appropriate PostScript code to select it. You can also specify a *papertype* of landscape, which rotates a document by 90 degrees. To rotate a document whose paper type is not the default, you can use the -t option twice, once for the paper type, and once for landscape.

-T hsize, vsize

Set the paper size to (hsize, vsize), a comma-separated pair of dimensions such as .1in, -.3cm. It overrides any paper size special in the DVI file.

-u name

Examine name for PostScript font aliases. Default is psfonts.map. This option allows you to specify different resident fonts that different printers may have. If name starts with a + character, then the rest of the name (after any leading spaces) is used as an additional map file.

- -U* Disable a PostScript virtual memory-saving optimization that stores the character metric information in the same string that is used to store the bitmap information. This is only necessary when driving the Xerox 4045 PostScript interpreter, which has a bug that puts garbage on the bottom of each character. Not recommended unless you must drive this printer.
- -V* Download non-resident PostScript fonts as bitmaps. This requires use of makepk to generate the required bitmap fonts. The bitmap must be put into psfonts.map as the downloadable file for that font. This is useful only for those fonts for which you do not have real outlines, being downloaded to printers that have no resident fonts, i.e., very rarely.

-x num

Set the x magnification ratio to num/1000. Overrides the magnification specified in the DVI file. Must be between 10 and 100000. It is recommended that you use standard magstep values (1095, 1200, 1440, 1728, 2074, 2488, 2986, and so on) to help reduce the total number of PK files generated. num may be a real number, not an integer, for increased precision.

-X num

Set the horizontal resolution in dots per inch to num.

-y num

Set the y magnification ratio to num/1000. See -x above.

-Y num

Set the vertical resolution in dots per inch to num.

- -z* Pass html hyperdvi specials through to the output for eventual distillation into PDF. This is not enabled by default to avoid including the header files unnecessarily, and use of temporary files in creating the output.
- -Z* Compress bitmap fonts in the output file, thereby reducing the size of what gets downloaded. Especially useful at high resolutions or when very large fonts are used. May slow down printing, especially on early 68000-based PostScript printers. Generally recommend today, and can be enabled in the configuration file.

See Also

Dvips: A DVI-to-PostScript Translator

Run mthelp dvips

findtexmf

Name

findtexmf — find MiKTFX files

Synopsis

```
findtexmf [option...] file...
```

Description

findtexmf can be used to find MiKTEX related files. When the -file-type option is not given, the search path used when looking for a file is inferred from the name given, by looking for a known extension. If no known extension is found, the search path for TEX source files is used.

Options

```
-alias=app
      Pretend to be app when finding files.
-help
      Give help and exit.
-file-type=filetype
      Use the specified file type (see below).
-must-exist
      Install missing packages, if necessary.
-show-path=filetype
      Output search path for the specified file type (see below).
-start
      Start the associated program, if the file was found.
\verb|-the-name-of-the-game=| name| \\
      Set the name of the program. Relevant when searching for format files.
-version
      Show version information and exit.
```

File Types

```
afm (.afm)
base (.base)
bib (.bib)
bst (.bst)
cid maps (.cid;.cidmap)
clua (.dll;.so)
cnf (.cnf)
cweb (.w)
dvi (.dvi)
enc (.enc)
exe (.COM;.EXE;.BAT;.CMD;.VBS;.VBE;.JS;.JSE;.WSF;.WSH;.MSC;.py;.pyw)
font feature files (.fea)
fmt (.fmt)
hbf (.hbf)
graphic/figure (.eps;.epsi;.png)
gf (.gf)
ist (.ist)
lig files (.lig)
lua (.luc;.luctex;.texluc;.lua;.luatex;.texlua)
map (.map)
mem (.mem)
mf (.mf)
mfpool (.pool)
mft (.mft)
mlbib (.mlbib;.bib)
mlbst (.bst)
mp (.mp)
mppool (.pool)
ocp (.ocp)
ofm (.ofm;.tfm)
opl (.opl)
opentype fonts (.otf)
otp (.otp)
ovf (.ovf)
```

```
ovp (.ovp)
perlscript (.pl)
pk (.pk)
PostScript header (.pro;.enc)
subfont definition files (.sfd)
tcx (.tcx)
tex (.tex)
texpool (.pool)
TeX system documentation (.chm;.dvi;.html;.txt;.pdf;.ps)
tfm (.tfm)
truetype fonts (.ttf;.ttc)
type1 fonts (.pfb;.pfa)
type42 fonts (.t42)
vf (.vf)
web (.web)
Windows command script file (.bat;.cmd)
```

gftodvi

Name

gftodvi — make proof sheets from generic font files

Synopsis

```
gftodvi [option...] [gffile]
```

Description

The **gftodvi** program converts a generic font (GF) file output by, for example, METAFONT, to a device independent (DVI) file (that can then be typeset using the same software that has already been written for). The characters in the GF file will appear one per page, with labels, titles, and annotations as specified in Appendix H (Hardcopy Proofs) of *The METAFONTbook*.

gftodvi uses other fonts in addition to the main GF file. A "gray" font is used to typeset the pixels that actually make up the character. (We wouldn't want all the pixels to be simply black, since then labels, key points, and other information would be lost.) A "title" font is used for the information at the top of the page. A "label" font is used for the labels on key points of the figure. A "slant" font is used to typeset diagonal lines, which otherwise have to be simulated using horizontal and vertical rules. The default gray, title, and label fonts are gray, cmr8, and cmtt10, respectively; there is no default slant font.

To change the default fonts, you can give special commands in your source file, or you can change the fonts on the command-line.

The GF file name on the command-line must be complete. (The program prompts you for it if you don't give it.) Because the resolution is part of the extension, it would not make sense to append a default extension as is done with other DVI-reading software. The output file name defaults to the same root as the GF file, with the .dvi extension added. For example, the input file cmr10.2602gf would become cmr10.dvi.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app. exe and invoking app.exe.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKTEX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-gray-font=font

Sets the "gray" font. Default is gray.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-label-font=font

Sets the "label" font. Default is cmtt10.

-logo-font=font

Sets the "logo" font. Default is logo8.

-overflow-label-offset=real

Specifies the distance from the right edge of the character bounding box at which the overflow equations (if any) are typeset. The value is given in points. The default is a little over two inches.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-slant-font=font

Sets the "slant" font. There is no default.

-title-font=font

Sets the "title" font. Default is cmr8.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-version

Show version information and exit.

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initexmf

Name

 $initexmf - \mbox{MiKT}\mbox{EX configuration utility}$

Synopsis

initexmf [option...]

Description

initexmf is used to configure MiKTEX.

User mode vs. administrative mode

This utility can be run in two modes:

User mode (default)

Only user related MiKTFX configuration and data files are modified.

Administrative mode

Only system-wide MiKTEX configuration and data files are modified. The utility should be run as the system administrator.

By default, the utility runs in user mode. You can turn on administrative mode with the -admin option. For example, if you want to update the system-wide file name database, you invoke the utility as follows:

initexmf --admin --update-fndb

Options

-admin

Run in administrative mode.

-configure

This option is only available on UNIX system-like platforms. Configure MiKTEX:

- **kpsewhich** is run to find existing TEXMF trees; the information is written to /var/lib/miktex-texmf/miktex/config/miktexstartup.ini, if administrative mode is turned on; otherwise the information is written to ~/.miktex/miktex/config/miktexstartup.ini
- the system-wide (per-user) file name database is created, if administrative mode is turned on (off)

-dump

Create all memory dump files.

-dump=key

Dump the specified memory dump file.

-edit-config-file=configfile

Open the specified config file in an editor.

-force

Force -mklinks to overwrite existing executables.

-list-modes

List all known METAFONT modes.

-mklinks

Create an executable for each known format.

-mkmaps

Build the font map files.

-print-only

Print what would be done. Nothing is changed.

-quiet

Suppress screen output.

-register-root=dir

Register a TEXMF root directory.

-report

Write a MiKTEX configuration report.

```
-unregister-root=dir
```

Unregister a TEXMF root directory.

-update-fndb

Refresh the whole file name database.

-update-fndb=dir

Refresh the file name database for a specific TEXMF tree.

-verbose

Print information on what is being done.

-version

Print the version number and exit.

See also

```
MiKTeX Project Page<sup>1</sup> <a href="http://www.miktex.org">http://www.miktex.org</a>
```

mf

Name

mf — METAFONT, a language for font and logo design

Synopsis

```
mf [option...] [command | file]
```

Description

METAFONT reads the program in the specified files and outputs font rasters (in GF format) and font metrics (in TFM format). The METAFONT language is described in *The METAFONTbook*.

Like TEX, METAFONT is normally used with a large body of precompiled macros, and font generation in particular requires the support of several macro files. METAFONT looks at its command line to see what name it was called under. Both <code>inimf</code> and <code>virmf</code> are linked to the <code>mf</code> executable. When called as <code>inimf</code> (or when the <code>-initialize</code> option is given) it can be used to precompile macros into a .base file. When called as <code>virmf</code> it will use the plain base. When called under any other name, METAFONT will use that name as the name of the base to use. For example, when called as <code>mf</code> the mf base is used, which is identical to the plain base. Other bases than plain are rarely used.

The commands given on the command line to the METAFONT program are passed to it as the first input line. (But it is often easier to type extended arguments as the first input line, since shells tend to gobble up or misinterpret METAFONT's favorite symbols, like semicolons, unless you quote them.) As described in *The METAFONTbook*, that first line should begin with a filename, a \controlsequence, or a &basename.

The normal usage is to say

```
mf \mode=printengine; input font
```

to start processing font.mf. (Or you can just say mf and give the other stuff on the next line.) Other control sequences, such as batchmode (for silent operation) can also appear. The name font will be the "job name", and is used in forming output file names. If METAFONT doesn't get a file name in the first line, the job name is mfput. The default extension, .mf, can be overridden by specifying an extension explicitly.

A log of error messages goes into the file font.log. The output files are font.tfm and font.numbergf, where number depends on the resolution and magnification of the font. The mode in this example is shown

^{1 &}lt;http://www.miktex.org>

generically as *printengine*, a symbolic term for which the name of an actual device or, most commonly, the name localfont must be substituted. If the mode is not specified or is not valid, METAFONT will default to proof mode which produces large character images for use in font design and refinement. Proof mode can be recognized by the suffix .2602gf after the job name. Examples of proof mode output can be found in *Computer Modern Typefaces* (Volume E of Computers and Typesetting). The system of magsteps is identical to the system used by T_FX, with values generally in the range 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 and 5.0.

Magnification can also be specified not as a magstep but as an arbitrary value, such as 1.315, to create special character sizes.

Before font production can begin, it is necessary to set up the appropriate base files. The minimum set of components for font production for a given printengine is the plain.mf macro file and the local mode_def file. The macros in plain.mf can be studied in an appendix to *The METAFONTbook*; they were developed by Donald E. Knuth, and this file should never be altered. Each mode_def specification helps adapt fonts to a particular printengine. The local ones in use on this computer should be in modes.mf.

The e response to METAFONT's error prompt causes the default editor to start up at the current line of the current file. The configuration value *Editor* can be used to change the editor used. It may contain a string with %f indicating where the filename goes and %1 indicating where the decimal line number (if any) goes.

A convenient file is null.mf, containing nothing. When METAFONT can't find the file it thinks you want to input, it keeps asking you for another file name; responding null gets you out of the loop if you don't want to input anything.

Online Graphics Output

You can see METAFONTs output without printing. Chapter 23 of *The METAFONTbook* describes what you can do. You enable screen ouput by giving -screen on the command-line.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app. exe and invoking app. exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory *dir* to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in *dir* first, before along the normal search path.

-bistack-size=n

Set the size of the stack for bisection algorithms.

-buf-size=n

Set the the maximum number of characters simultaneously present in current lines of open files and in control sequences between \csname and \endcsname. TEX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the line. As a consequence, certain constructs require the buffer to be very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKTEX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-error-line=n

Set the width of context lines on terminal error messages.

-half-error-line=n

Set the width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix *dir* to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-lig-table-size=n

Set the maximum number of ligature/kern steps. Must be at least 255 and at most 32510.

-main-memory=n

Change the total size (in memory words) of the main memory array. Relevant only while creating memory dump files.

-max-print-line=n

Set the width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.

-max-strings=n

Set the maximum number of strings.

-max-wiggle=n

Set the number of autorounded points per cycle.

-move-size=n

Set the the space for storing moves in a single octant.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in *dir*. This implies -include-directory=*dir*.

-param-size=n

Set the the maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-path-size=n

Set the the maximum number of knots between breakpoints of a path.

-pool-size=n

Set the maximum number of characters in strings, including all error messages and help texts, and the names of all fonts and control sequences.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-screen

Enable screen output.

-stack-size=n

Set the maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

-string-vacancies=n

Set the minimum number of characters that should be available for the user's control sequences and font names, after the compiler's own error messages are stored. Must be at least 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.

-tcx=name

Process the TCX table name.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-undump=name

Use *name* as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Environment

MFINPUTS

Extra paths to locate METAFONT input and openin files.

See also

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miktex-tools

Name

miktex-tools — experimental TEX additions

Description

MiKTFX Tools should be regarded as an addition to the host TFX system installed on your system.

The following utilities are included:

• miktex-pdftex: MiKTFX implementation of the pdfTFX engine

mpm: MiKTEX Package Managermthelp: MiKTEX Help Utility

System-wide configuration

In order to configure MiKTEX Tools for your system, you run the MiKTEX configuration utility (**initexmf**) and the MiKTEX package manager (**mpm**):

```
sudo initexmf --admin --configure
sudo mpm --admin --update-db
```

This is what happens:

- The TEXMF trees of the host TEX system are collected; the information is written to /var/lib/miktex-texmf/miktex/config/miktexstartup.ini
- the system-wide file name database is created
- the package database is downloaded from the MiKTEX package repository

Per-user configuration

Once you have configured MiKT_EX Tools for the system, each user should create the per-user file name database:

```
initexmf --update-fndb
```

Without this step, the on-the-fly package installer will not work.

MiKTeX-pdfTeX

MiKTeX-pdfTeX is an alternative pdfTeX engine. The engine features integrated package management, i.e., missing packages will be installed on the-fly (after confirmation).

You invoke MiKTeX-pdfTeX as follows:

```
miktex-pdftex --undump=latex sample2e
```

The -undump option must be used to specify the format. See the **miktex-pdftex** reference page, for more information

If you prefer shortcuts, you can create symbolic links to the MiKTeX-pdfTeX engine:

```
mkdir ~/bin
cd ~/bin
ln -s /usr/bin/miktex-pdftex latex
ln -s /usr/bin/miktex-pdftex pdflatex
PATH=~/bin:$PATH
```

Then you can invoke the engine in the usual way:

```
pdflatex sample2e
```

Of course, you can replace ~/bin with a more suitable directory.

Using the MiKTEX package manager

MPM (MiKTEX Package Manager) was originally intended to be a tool for MiKTEX users. But the program can be helpful for users of other TEX systems too, because many of the MiKTEX packages are system-independent.

There are two variants of the package manager: GUI and console. Run

```
mpm
```

to start the GUI variant of the package manager. You will be presented with a list of packages.

The rest of this section describes the console variant of the package manager.

To list the contents of the package database, run

```
mpm --list
```

To get detailed information about a package, run

```
mpm --print-package-info=package
```

If you want to install a package, run

```
mpm --install=package
```

Using the mthelp utility

The **mthelp** utility can be used to lookup package documentation.

Run

```
mthelp package
```

to view an HTML page wich contains links to the documentation files of a package.

Caveats

The integrated package manager installs packages in the user home directory under ~/miktex-texmf/. A better approach would be to enhance the auto-install dialog box:

- 1. add a new check box: Install package in /usr/share/miktex-texmf
- 2. A password dialog pops up, if the user has chosen to install the package in the /usr/ directory.
- 3. the package manager is run with root privileges, if the the user entered the root password.

This will be implemented in one of the next beta releases.

See also

```
initexmf(1), miktex-pdftex(1), mpm(1), mthelp(1)
```

mpm

Name

```
mpm — MiKTEX package manager
```

Synopsis

```
mpm [option...]
```

Description

MPM (MiKTEX Package Manager) is used to install packages from a MiKTEX package repository.

MPM was originally intended to be a tool for MiKT_EX users. But the program can be helpful for users of other T_EX systems too, because many of the MiKT_EX packages are system-independent.

Two variants

The package manager can be run in two modes:

batch

MPM is driven by command-line options.

windowed

MPM shows a package list view with standard GUI controls (such as tool bar buttons and command menus).

MPM starts in windowed mode, if you do not specify any command-line options.

Options

-admin

Run in administrative mode.

-find-updates

Test the package repository for updates, then print the list of updateable packages.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-import=PACKAGE

Import the specified package from another MiKTEX installation. The root directory must be specified via -repository=DIR.

-import-all

Import all packages from another MiKTEX installation. The root directory must be specified via -repository=DIR.

-install=package

Install the specified package.

-install-some=file

Install packages listed (line-by-line) in the specified file.

-list

List the contents of the package database: for each package, print the installation status, the number of files, the size, and the name.

-list-repositories

Download the list of known package repository URLs from the MiKTEX project server, then print the list

-pick-repository-url

Pick up a suitable URL from the package repository list and print it.

-print-package-info=package

Print detailed information about the specified package.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-repository=location

Use the specified location as the package repository. The location can be either a fully qualified path name (a local package repository) or an URL (a remote package repository). You can use the -list-repositories to retrieve a list of working package repository URLs.

-set-repository=location

This option is only available on Windows systems: permanently register the location of the default package repository in the user area of the Windows Registry. The location can be either a fully qualified path name (a local package repository) or an URL (a remote package repository).

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-uninstall=package

Uninstall the specified package.

-update=[package]

Update the specified package, if an updated version is available in the package repository. Update all installed packages, if *package* is omitted.

-update-db

Synchronize the local package database with the package repository.

-update-some=file

Update packages listed (line-by-line) in the specified file.

-verify

Verify the integrity of all installed packages.

-verify=package

Verify the integrity of the specified package.

-verbose

Turn on verbose output mode.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Installation Destination

All files are installed in the TEXMF installation directory (usually C:\Program Files\MiKTeX 2.9). It may be necessary to specify the location of the installation directory, if you are running MPM as a standalone program, i.e., if MiKTeX is not the TeX system.

The -install-root option allows you to set the installation directory for one invocation of MPM.

Package Database

All package information is retrieved from the package database, which must have been properly installed by running MPM with the -update-db option.

Examples

Environment

MIKTEX_REPOSITORY

Location of the package repository. This can be either a fully qualified path name (a local package repository) or an URL (a remote package repository).

http_proxy

The proxy server to be used for HTTP.

FTP PROXY

The proxy server to be used for FTP.

ALL PROXY

The proxy server to be used, if no protocol-specific proxy is set.

NO_PROXY

Comma-separated list of host names that should not go through any proxy.

See also

MiKTeX Project Page² http://www.miktex.org

mpost

Name

mpost — METAPOST, a system for drawing pictures

Synopsis

```
mpost [option...] [command | file]
```

Description

METAPOST (installed as **mpost**) reads a series of pictures specified in the METAPOST programming language, and outputs corresponding PostScript code.

Like TEX and METAFONT, METAPOST is normally used with a large body of precompiled macros. This version of METAPOST looks at its command line to see what name it was called under. Both **inimpost** and **virmpost** are aliases for the **mpost** executable. When called as **inimpost** (or when the -initialize option is given) it can be used to precompile macros into a .mem file. When called as **virmpost** it will use the plain mem. When called under any other name, METAPOST will use that name as the name of the mem to use. For example, when called as **mpost** the mpost mem is used, which is identical to the plain mem. Other mems than plain are rarely used.

The commands given on the command line to the METAPOST program are passed to it as the first input line. (But it is often easier to type extended arguments as the first input line, since shells tend to gobble up or misinterpret METAPOST's favorite symbols, like semicolons, unless you quote them.) The first line should begin with a filename, a \controlsequence, or a &basename.

The normal usage is to say **mpost figs** to process the file figs.mp. The basename of figs becomes the "jobname", and is used in forming output file names. If no file is named, the jobname becomes mpout. The default extension, .mp, can be overridden by specifying an extension explicitly.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app.exe and invoking app.exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory *dir* to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in *dir* first, before along the normal search path.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

² <http://www.miktex.org>

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix *dir* to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in dir. This implies -include-directory=dir.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-tcx=name

Process the TCX table name.

-tex=texprogram

Use *texprogram* instead of **tex** when compiling text labels.

This flag overrides the environment variable TEX.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-undump=name

Use name as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Environment

MFINPUTS

Extra paths to locate METAFONT input and openin files.

MPINPUTS

Extra paths to locate METAPOST input files.

See also

AT&T technical report CSTR-162

Run mthelp mpman

mthelp

Name

```
mthelp — MiKTFX help utility
```

Synopsis

```
mthelp [option...] name...
```

Description

mthelp is a utility to lookup TEX package documentation.

mthelp creates an HTML page which contains a short description of the package together with links to all documentation files. An HTML viewer is started to view the page.

You can use the -view to bypass the intermediate HTML file.

name should be the name of a package in the TEX distribution.

Options

-list-only

List documentation files, but do not start a viewer.

-print-only

Print the command that would be executed to view the documentation, but do not start the command.

```
-quiet
```

Suppress all output, except errors.

-version

Show version information and exit.

-view

Open the main documenation file in a viewer.

Environment

```
MIKTEX_VIEW_dvi
```

DVI viewer.

MIKTEX_VIEW_pdf

PDF viewer.

MIKTEX_VIEW_ps

PostScript viewer.

MIKTEX_VIEW_html

HTML viewer.

MIKTEX_VIEW_txt

Text viewer.

The environment variables should be set with a "%f" as a placeholder for the name of the file. For example:

```
> MIKTEX_VIEW_pdf="gv %f"
```

Files

The intermediate HTML file (package.html) is stored in the directory miktex/mthelp relative to the data TEXMF root.

See also

```
MiKT<sub>E</sub>X Project Page<sup>3</sup> <a href="http://www.miktex.org">http://www.miktex.org</a>
```

mtprint

Name

Synopsis

```
mtprint [option...] file...
```

Description

mtprint sends TEX output files to a printing device.

^{3 &}lt;http://www.miktex.org>

Options

-even-only

Prints only even TFX pages.

-landscape

Selects landscape output format.

-odd-only

Prints only odd TEX pages.

-page-range=range

Selects a TEX page range (e.g., 20-21). Multiple -page-range options accumulate

-print-method=method

Selects a print method. One of

psbmp

This method uses Dvips and Ghostscript to produce the print output.

ps This method uses Dvips to produce an intermediate PostScript file which will be sent to the printer. This only works for PostScript printers.

-print-nothing

Simulates printing.

-printer=printer

Selects a printing device. The default printer is used, if this option is omitted.

omega

Name

omega — extended unicode TEX

Synopsis

```
omega [option...] [file | \command]
```

Description

 Ω is a 16-bit enhanced version of TEX.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app. exe and invoking app.exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory dir to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in dir first, before along the normal search path.

-buf-size=n

Set the the maximum number of characters simultaneously present in current lines of open files and in control sequences between \csname and \endcsname. TEX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the line. As a consequence,

certain constructs require the buffer to be very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-disable-write18

Disable the \write18{ command} construct.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_EX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-write18

Fully enable the $\mbox{write18} \{\mbox{command}\}\$ construct. It is only partially enabled by default to avoid security problems. When fully enabled, the command (which undergoes the usual TEX expansions) is passed to the command interpreter. The output of the command is not diverted anywhere, so it will not appear in the log file. The command execution either happens at \mbox{output} time or right away, according to the absence or presence of the $\mbox{immediate}$ prefix.

-error-line=n

Set the width of context lines on terminal error messages.

-extra-mem-bot=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for large data structures like boxes, glue, breakpoints, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-extra-mem-top=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for chars, tokens, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-half-error-line=n

Set the width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-help

Give help and exit.

-hhelp

This option is only available on Windows systems: show the manual page in an HTML Help window and exit when the window is closed.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-main-memory=n

Change the total size (in memory words) of the main memory array. Relevant only while creating memory dump files.

-max-in-open=n

Set the maximum number of input files and error insertions that can be going on simultaneously.

-max-print-line=n

Set the width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.

-max-strings=n

Set the maximum number of strings.

-enable-mltex

Enable MLTeX extensions such as \charsubdef.

-nest-size=n

Set the maximum number of semantic levels simultaneously active.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in dir. This implies -include-directory=dir.

-param-size=n

Set the the maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-pool-size=n

Set the maximum number of characters in strings, including all error messages and help texts, and the names of all fonts and control sequences.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-save-size=n

Set the the amount of space for saving values outside of current group.

-src-specials

Embed source file information (source specials) in the DVI file.

-stack-size=n

Set the maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

-string-vacancies=n

Set the minimum number of characters that should be available for the user's control sequences and font names, after the compiler's own error messages are stored. Must be at least 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.

-tcx=name

Process the TCX table name.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-trie-op-size=n

Set the amount of space for "opcodes" in the hyphenation patterns.

-trie-size=n

Set the amount of space for hyphenation patterns.

-undump=name

Use name as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

See also

Draft documentation for the Ω system

Run mthelp omega-manual

miktex-pdftex

Name

miktex-pdftex - DVI/PDF output from T_EX

Synopsis

```
miktex-pdftex [option...] [file | \command]
```

Description

Run the pdfTEX typesetter on file, usually creating file.pdf. If the file argument has no extension, .tex will be appended to it. Instead of a file name, a set of pdfTEX commands can be given, the first of which must start with a backslash.

pdfTEX is a version of TEX that can create PDF files as well as DVI files.

In PDF mode, pdfTFX can natively handle the PDF, JPG, and PNG graphics formats.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app. exe and invoking app. exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory dir to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in dir first, before along the normal search path.

-buf-size=n

Set the the maximum number of characters simultaneously present in current lines of open files and in control sequences between \csname and \endcsname. TEX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the line. As a consequence, certain constructs require the buffer to be very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-disable-write18

Disable the \write18{ command} construct.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-draftmode

Switch on draft mode (generates no output).

-enable-enctex

Enable encTeX extensions such as \mubyte.

-enable-etex

Enable eTeX extensions.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-mltex

Enable MLTeX extensions such as \charsubdef.

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-write18

Fully enable the $\mbox{write18} \{ \mbox{command} \}$ construct. It is only partially enabled by default to avoid security problems. When fully enabled, the command (which undergoes the usual TEX expansions) is passed to the command interpreter. The output of the command is not diverted anywhere, so it will not appear in the log file. The command execution either happens at \mbox{output} time or right away, according to the absence or presence of the $\mbox{immediate}$ prefix.

-error-line=n

Set the width of context lines on terminal error messages.

-extra-mem-bot=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for large data structures like boxes, glue, breakpoints, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-extra-mem-top=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for chars, tokens, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-font-max=n

Set the maximum internal font number.

-font-mem-size=n

Set the size, in TEX memory words, of the font memory.

-half-error-line=n

Set the width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-hash-extra=n

Set the extra space for the hash table of control sequences (which allows 10K names as distributed).

-help

Give help and exit.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-main-memory=n

Change the total size (in memory words) of the main memory array. Relevant only while creating memory dump files.

-max-in-open=n

Set the maximum number of input files and error insertions that can be going on simultaneously.

-max-print-line=n

Set the width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.

-max-strings=n

Set the maximum number of strings.

-nest-size=n

Set the maximum number of semantic levels simultaneously active.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in dir. This implies -include-directory=dir.

-output-format=format

Set the output format.

-param-size=n

Set the the maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-pool-size=n

Set the maximum number of characters in strings, including all error messages and help texts, and the names of all fonts and control sequences.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-restrict-write18

Partially enable the \write18{ command} construct.

-save-size=n

Set the the amount of space for saving values outside of current group.

-src-specials

Embed source file information (source specials) in the DVI file.

-stack-size=n

Set the maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

-string-vacancies=n

Set the minimum number of characters that should be available for the user's control sequences and font names, after the compiler's own error messages are stored. Must be at least 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.

-synctex=n

Generate SyncTeX data for previewers if nonzero.

-tcx=name

Process the TCX table name.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-trie-size=n

Set the amount of space for hyphenation patterns.

-undump=name

Use *name* as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Files

pdftex.cfg

The MiKTeX-pdfTeX configuration file.

Environment

TEXINPUTS

Extra paths to locate $T_EX \setminus I$ and I openin files.

TFMFONTS

Extra paths to locate TEX font metric files

See also

The pdfT_EX user manual (A4 version)

Run mthelp pdftex-a

setupwiz

Name

basic-miktex, setup — MiKTEX setup wizard

Synopsis

```
basic-miktex-2.9.xxxx.exe [options]
setup-2.9.xxxx.exe [options]
```

Description

MiKTEX Setup Wizard is used to install MiKTEX.

There a two instances of the installer:

Basic MiKTeX Installer (basic-miktex-2.9.xxxx.exe)

Basic MiKTeX Installer is used to set up a basic MiKTeX system. All required resources are embedded in the installer, i.e., nothing else needs to be downloaded from the Internet.

MiKTeX Net Installer (setup-2.9.xxxx.exe)

MiKTeX Net Installer is used to set up a complete MiKTeX system. In a first step, all required resources will be downloaded from the Internet. In a second step, a complete MiKTeX system is installed.

Both installers read command-line options from the file setupwiz.opt, if it exists.

Options

-allow-unattended-reboot

Restart the system, if necessary.

$\verb|-common-config=| dir|$

Set the location of the common configuration directory. This option requires administrator privileges.

-common-data=dir

Set the location of the common data directory. This option requires administrator privileges.

-common-install=dir

Set the common installation directory. This option requires administrator privileges.

-common-roots=dirs

Register additional directories for all users. *dirs* must be a semicolon-separated list of fully qualified path names. This option requires administrator privileges.

Environment variables (<VARNAME>) can be used.

-download-only

Download all required packages, but do not otherwise install MiKTEX.

-dry-run

Simulate. No files shall be downloaded and/or installed.

-install-from-local-repository

Install MiKTEX from a directory (to be specified with the -local-package-repository option).

-local-package-repository=dir

Download into (Install from) the specified directory.

-no-additional-roots

Do not integrate additional TEXMF root directories into the MiKTEX setup.

-no-registry

Do not store path information in the Windows Registry but write the startup configuration file (miktexstartup.ini).

-package-set=set

Download/Install the specified package set. This must be one of basic, complete.

-portable

Setup MiKTFX Portable.

-private

Install MiKTEX for the current user only.

-program-folder=name

Add shortcuts to the specified program folder.

-remote-package-repository=url

Download from the specified the URL.

-shared

Install MiKTEX for everyone using this computer. This option requires administrator privileges.

-unattended

Run in unattended mode.

-user-config=dir

Set the location of the configuration directory for the current user.

Environment variables (<VARNAME>) can be used. See the example below.

-user-data=dir

Set the location of the data directory for the current user.

Environment variables (<VARNAME>) can be used. See the example below.

-user-install=dir

Set the user installation directory.

Environment variables (<VARNAME>) can be used. See the example below.

-user-roots=dirs

Register additional directories for the current user. *dirs* must be a semicolon-separated list of fully qualified path names.

Environment variables (<VARNAME>) can be used.

Examples

In this example, MiKTEX is installed from a network share (\\server\miktex\repository). User directories are specified by using environment variables (<VARNAME>) which are expanded at run-time.

```
> setupwiz --install-from-local-repository ^
    --local-package-repository==\\server\miktex\repository ^
    --package-set=complete ^
    --shared ^
    --user-config=^<APPDATA^>\MiKTeX\2.9 ^
    --user-data=^<LOCALAPPDATA^>\MiKTeX\2.9 ^
    --user-install=^<APPDATA^>\MiKTeX\2.9
```

tex

Name

tex — T_FX

Synopsis

tex [option...] [file | \command]

Description

TEX formats the interspersed text and commands contained in the named files and outputs a typesetter independent file (called DVI, which is short for DeVice Independent). TEX's capabilities and language are described in *The TeXbook*. TeX is normally used with a large body of precompiled macros, and there are several specific formatting systems, such as LATEX, which require the support of several macro files.

TeX looks at its command-line to see what name it was called under. Both **initex** and **virtex** are linked to the **tex** executable. When called as **initex** (or when the -initialize option is given) it can be used to precompile macros into a .fmt file. When called as **virtex** it will use the plain format. When called under any other name, TeX will use that name as the name of the format to use. For example, when called as **tex** the tex format is used, which is identical to the plain format. The commands defined by the plain format are documented in *The TeXbook*. Other formats that are often available include latex and amstex.

The commands given on the command-line to the T_EX program are passed to it as the first input line. (But it is often easier to type extended arguments as the first input line, since shells tend to gobble up or misinterpret T_EX 's favorite symbols, like backslashes, unless you quote them.) As described in $The\ T_EXbook$, that first line should begin with a file name, a \controlsequence, or a & formatname.

The normal usage is to say

tex paper

to start processing paper.tex. The name "paper" will be the "job name", and is used in forming output file names. If TEX doesn't get a file name in the first line, the job name is texput. When looking for a file, TEX looks for the name with and without the default extension (.tex) appended, unless the name already contains that extension. If paper is the "job name", a log of error messages, with rather more detail than normally appears on the screen, will appear in paper.log, and the output file will be in paper.dvi.

TEX will look in the first line of the file paper.tex to see if it begins with the magic sequence %&. If the first line begins with %&format --translate-file tcxname, then TEX will use the named format and transation table tcxname to process the source file. Either the format name or the -translate-file specification may be omitted, but not both.

The e response to TEX's error prompt causes the default editor to start up at the current line of the current file. The configuration value *Editor* can be used to change the editor used. It may contain a string with %f indicating where the file name goes and %1 indicating where the decimal line number (if any) goes.

A convenient file is null.tex, containing nothing. When TEX can't find a file it thinks you want to input, it keeps asking you for another file name; responding null gets you out of the loop if you don't want to input anything. You can also type your EOF character (usually **Control-Z**).

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app.exe and invoking app.exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory *dir* to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in *dir* first, before along the normal search path.

-buf-size=n

Set the the maximum number of characters simultaneously present in current lines of open files and in control sequences between \csname and \endcsname. TEX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the line. As a consequence, certain constructs require the buffer to be very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-disable-write18

Disable the \write18{ command} construct.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-enable-enctex

Enable encTeX extensions such as \mubyte.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKTEX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-mltex

Enable MLTeX extensions such as \charsubdef.

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-write18

Fully enable the $\mbox{write18} \{\mbox{command}\}\$ construct. It is only partially enabled by default to avoid security problems. When fully enabled, the command (which undergoes the usual TEX expansions) is passed to the command interpreter. The output of the command is not diverted anywhere, so it will not appear in the log file. The command execution either happens at \mbox{output} time or right away, according to the absence or presence of the $\mbox{immediate}$ prefix.

-error-line=n

Set the width of context lines on terminal error messages.

-extra-mem-bot=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for large data structures like boxes, glue, breakpoints, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-extra-mem-top=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for chars, tokens, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-font-max=n

Set the maximum internal font number.

-font-mem-size=n

Set the size, in TEX memory words, of the font memory.

-half-error-line=n

Set the width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-hash-extra=n

Set the extra space for the hash table of control sequences (which allows 10K names as distributed).

-help

Give help and exit.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-main-memory=n

Change the total size (in memory words) of the main memory array. Relevant only while creating memory dump files.

-max-in-open=n

Set the maximum number of input files and error insertions that can be going on simultaneously.

-max-print-line=n

Set the width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.

-max-strings=n

Set the maximum number of strings.

-nest-size=n

Set the maximum number of semantic levels simultaneously active.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in dir. This implies -include-directory=dir.

-param-size=n

Set the the maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-pool-size=n

Set the maximum number of characters in strings, including all error messages and help texts, and the names of all fonts and control sequences.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-restrict-write18

Partially enable the \write18{ command} construct.

-save-size=n

Set the the amount of space for saving values outside of current group.

-src-specials

Embed source file information (source specials) in the DVI file.

-stack-size=n

Set the maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

-string-vacancies=n

Set the minimum number of characters that should be available for the user's control sequences and font

names, after the compiler's own error messages are stored. Must be at least 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.

-tcx=name

Process the TCX table name.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-trie-size=n

Set the amount of space for hyphenation patterns.

-undump=name

Use *name* as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Aliases

initex

Equivalent to tex -ini.

virtex

Equivalent to tex.

Environment

TEXINPUTS

Extra paths to locate $T_EX \setminus I$ and I openin files.

TFMFONTS

Extra paths to locate TEX font metric files

See Also

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See texify(1), for an alternative way to invoke TEX.

texify

Name

texify — MiKTEX compiler driver

Synopsis

```
texify [option...] file...
```

Description

texify runs Texinfo or LATEX input files through **tex** (**pdftex**) in turn until all cross-references are resolved, building all indices.

The directory containing each file is searched for included files. The suffix of file is used to determine its language (\LaTeX or Texinfo).

makeinfo is used to perform Texinfo macro expansion before running tex when needed.

Options

```
Use @input (instead of \input); for preloaded Texinfo.
-batch, -b
      No interaction.
-clean, -c
      Remove all auxiliary files.
-expand, -e
      Force macro expansion using makeinfo.
-I dir
      Search dir for input files.
-help, -h
      Display help and exit successfully.
-language=lang, -l lang
      Specify the language of input files: either latex or texinfo.
-max-iterations=n
      Limits the number of iterations to prevent endless processing. The default for n is 5.
-mkidx-option=option
      Pass option to the index generator.
-pdf, -p
      Use pdftex (or pdflatex) for processing.
-quiet, -q, -silent, -s
      No screen output unless errors plies -batch).
-run-viewer
      Run a viewer on the resulting DVI (PDF) file.
-src
      Pass -src-specials to the TFX compiler.
-texinfo=cmd, -t=cmd
      Insert \mathit{cmd} after \mathtt{Qsetfilename} in copy of input file. Multiple values accumulate.
-tex-option=option
      Pass option to the compiler.
-verbose, -V
      Print information on what is being done.
-version, -v
      Display version information and exit successfully.
-viewer-option=option
```

Pass option to the viewer.

Environment Variables

The values of the BIBTEX, LATEX (or PDFLATEX), MAKEINDEX, MAKEINFO, TEX (or PDFTEX), and TEXINDEX environment variables are used to run those commands, if they are set.

Aliases

tex2dvi

Equivalent to texify.

xetex

Name

xetex — Unicode-based TFX engine

Synopsis

```
xetex [option...] [file | \command]
```

Description

Run the X \exists TEX typesetter on file, usually creating file.pdf. If the file argument has no extension, .tex will be appended to it. Instead of a file name, a set of X \exists TEX commands can be given, the first of which must start with a backslash.

X_∃T_EX has simple font installation; it can use any installed fonts in the operating system without configuring T_EX font metric. As a result, X_∃T_EX can access font features such as special ligatures and variable font weights.

Options

-alias=app

Pretend to be app, i.e., set program (and memory dump) name to app. This may affect the search paths and other values used. Using this option is equivalent to copying the executable file to app.exe and invoking app.exe.

-aux-directory=dir

Set the directory dir to which auxiliary files are written. Also look for input files in dir first, before along the normal search path.

-buf-size=n

Set the the maximum number of characters simultaneously present in current lines of open files and in control sequences between \csname and \endcsname. TEX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the line. As a consequence, certain constructs require the buffer to be very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.

-c-style-errors

Change the way, error messages are printed. The alternate style looks like error messages from many compilers and is easier to parse for some editors. This option implies \scrollmode.

-disable-installer

Disable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_EX Options (see Section 4.5).

-disable-pipes

Disable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-disable-write18

Disable the \write18{ command} construct.

-dont-parse-first-line

Disable checking whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&.

-enable-etex

Enable eTeX extensions.

-enable-installer

Enable automatic installation of missing packages. Specifying this option overwrites the global configuration setting in MiKT_FX Options (see Section 4.5).

-enable-mltex

Enable MLTeX extensions such as \charsubdef.

-enable-pipes

Enable input (output) from (to) child processes.

-enable-write18

Fully enable the $\mbox{write18} \{ \mbox{command} \}$ construct. It is only partially enabled by default to avoid security problems. When fully enabled, the command (which undergoes the usual TEX expansions) is passed to the command interpreter. The output of the command is not diverted anywhere, so it will not appear in the log file. The command execution either happens at \mbox{output} time or right away, according to the absence or presence of the $\mbox{immediate}$ prefix.

-error-line=n

Set the width of context lines on terminal error messages.

-extra-mem-bot=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for large data structures like boxes, glue, breakpoints, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-extra-mem-top=n

Set the extra size (in memory words) for chars, tokens, et al. Relevant only after the memory dump file has been read.

-font-max=n

Set the maximum internal font number.

-font-mem-size=n

Set the size, in TEX memory words, of the font memory.

-half-error-line=n

Set the width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages.

-halt-on-error

Quit after the first error.

-hash-extra=n

Set the extra space for the hash table of control sequences (which allows 10K names as distributed).

-help

Give help and exit.

-include-directory=dir

Prefix dir to the search path.

-initialize

Become the INI variant of the compiler.

-interaction=mode

Set the interaction mode. Must be one of batchmode, nonstopmode, scrollmode and errorstopmode. The meaning of these modes is the same as the corresponding commands.

-job-name=name

Set the name of the job (\jobname. This has an affect on the output file names.

-job-time=file

Set the time-stamp of all output files equal to file's time-stamp.

-main-memory=n

Change the total size (in memory words) of the main memory array. Relevant only while creating memory dump files.

-max-in-open=n

Set the maximum number of input files and error insertions that can be going on simultaneously.

-max-print-line=n

Set the width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.

-max-strings=n

Set the maximum number of strings.

-nest-size=n

Set the maximum number of semantic levels simultaneously active.

-no-c-style-errors

Don't change the way, error messages are printed.

-no-pdf

Generate XDV (extended DVI) output rather than PDF

-output-directory=dir

Create output files in dir. This implies -include-directory=dir.

-output-driver=cmd

Use cmd as the XDV-to-PDF driver instead of xdvipdfmx.

-papersize=string

Set PDF media size to string.

-param-size=n

Set the the maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.

-parse-first-line

Check whether the first line of the main input file starts with %&, and parse if it does. This can be used to specify extra command-line options.

-pool-size=n

Set the maximum number of characters in strings, including all error messages and help texts, and the names of all fonts and control sequences.

-quiet

Suppress all output, except errors.

-record-package-usages=file

Record all package usages and write them into file.

-recorder

Enable the file name recorder. This leaves a trace of the files opened for input and output in a file with the extension .fls.

-restrict-write18

Partially enable the \write18{ command} construct.

-save-size=n

Set the the amount of space for saving values outside of current group.

-src-specials

Embed source file information (source specials) in the DVI file.

-stack-size=n

Set the maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

-string-vacancies=n

Set the minimum number of characters that should be available for the user's control sequences and font

names, after the compiler's own error messages are stored. Must be at least 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.

-synctex=n

Generate SyncTeX data for previewers if nonzero.

-time-statistics

Show processing time statistics.

-trace[=tracestreams]

Enable trace messages. The *tracestreams* argument, if speciefied, is a comma-separated list of trace stream names (Chapter 9, "Trace Streams").

-trie-size=n

Set the amount of space for hyphenation patterns.

-undump=name

Use name as the name of the format to be used, instead of the name by which the program was called or a

%&

line.

-version

Show version information and exit.

Environment

TEXINPUTS

Extra paths to locate TEX \input and \openin files.

TFMFONTS

Extra paths to locate TEX font metric files

See also

The X₃T_EX reference guide

Run mthelp xetexref

Files

pdftex.cfg

Name

pdftex.cfg — configuration Settings for pdfTEX

Description

pdfTEX configurations settings are read from the file pdftex.cfg when a format file is being created by pdfTEX.

CAUTION



Do not edit this file directly. Run initexmf --edit-config-file pdftex.cfg to edit configuration settings for pdfTEX.

Instructions

This section is "borrowed" from the pdfTEX manual.

A typical pdftex.cfg file looks like this, setting up output for A4 paper size and the standard TEX offset of 1 inch:

compress_level 9
decimal_digits 3
horigin 1 true in
vorigin 1 true in
image_resolution 300
move_chars 1
output_format 1
page_width 210 true mm
page_height 297 true mm
pdf_minorversion 4
pk_resolution 600

The configuration file sets default values for these parameters, and they all can be overridden in the TEX source file. Dimensions can be specified as true, which makes them immune for magnification (when set).

compress_level

This integer parameter specifies the level of text and in||line graphics compression. pdfTEX uses Zip compression. A value of 0 means no compression, 1 means fastest, 9 means best, 2..8 means something in between. Just set this value to 9, unless there is a good reason to do otherwise; 0 is great for testing macros that use \pdfliteral.

decimal_digits

This integer specifies the preciseness of real numbers in PDF page descriptions. It gives the maximal number of decimal digits after the decimal point of real numbers. Valid values are in range 0..5. A higher value means more precise output, but also results in a much larger file size and more time to display or print. In most cases the optimal value is 2. This parameter does *not* influence the precision of numbers used in raw PDF code, like that used in \pdfliteral and annotation action specifications.

horigin & vorigin

These dimension parameters can be used to set the offset of the T_EX output box from the top left corner of the "paper".

image_resolution

When pdfTEX is not able to determine the natural dimensions of an image, it assumes a resolution of type 72 dots per inch. Use this variable to change this default value.

move_chars

Although PDF output is claimed to be portable, especially when all font information is included in the file, problems with printing and viewing have a persistent nature. Moving the characters in range 0-31 sometimes helps a lot. When set to 1, characters are only moved when a font has less than 128 glyphs, when set to 2 higher slots are used too.

output_format

This integer parameter specifies whether the output format should be DVI or PDF. A positive value means PDF output, otherwise we get DVI output.

page_width & page_height

These two dimension parameters specify the output medium dimensions (the paper, screen or whatever the page is put on). If they are not specified, these values are calculated.

pdf_minorversion

Sets the PDF version of the generated file and the latest allowed PDF version of included PDFs. The value 3 tells pdfTEX to set the PDF version to 1.3 and allows only included PDFs with versions less than 1.3. A suitable default value is 4.

pk_resolution

One can use this entry to specify the resolution for bitmap fonts. Nowadays most printers are capable to print at least 600 dots per inch, so this is a reasonable default.

updmap.cfg

Name

updmap.cfg — configuration Settings for outline fonts

Description

The configuration file updmap.cfg contains declarative instructions, which will be used to build font map files.

CAUTION



Do not edit this file directly. Run initexmf --edit-config-file updmap to edit configuration settings for outline fonts.

Instructions

updmap.cfg can contain the following instructions:

dvipsPreferOutline value

Specifies whether Dvips prefers bitmap fonts or outline fonts if both are available. Valid values are true (default) and false.

Independend of this setting, outlines can be forced by putting

```
p psfonts_t1.map
```

into a configuration file that Dvips reads. Bitmaps (for the fonts in question) can be forced by putting

```
p psfonts_pk.map
```

into a configuration file. Such configuration files are provided, which can be enabled via

```
dvips -Poutline ...
```

resp.

```
dvips -Ppk ...
```

LW35 value

Specifies which fonts for the "Basic 35 LaserWriter Fonts" will be used and how their file names are chosen. Valid values:

```
URW URW fonts with "vendor" file names (e.g., n0190641.pfb).
```

URWkb

URW fonts with "berry" file names (e.g., uhvbo8ac.pfb). URWkb is the default value.

ADOBE

Adobe fonts with "vendor" file names (e.g. hvnbo___.pfb).

ADOBEkb

Adobe fonts with "berry" file names (e.g., phvbo8an.pfb).

dvipsDownloadBase35 value

Specifies whether Dvips downloads the standard 35 LaserWriter fonts with the document. If these fonts are not downloaded, then they must be available in the PostScript printer (interpreter). Valid values are true and false (default).

Whatever is specified here, the user can override it by specifying

```
dvips -Pdownload35 ...
resp.
dvips -Pbuiltin35 ...
```

to either download the LW35 fonts resp. use the build-in fonts.

pdftexDownloadBase14 value

Specifies whether pdfTEX downloads the base 14 PDF fonts. Valid values are true (default) and false.

Since some configurations (PostScript / PDF tools / printers) use bad default fonts, it is safer to download the fonts. The PDF files will get bigger, though.

dvipdfmDownloadBase14 value

Specifies whether Dvipdfm downloads the base 14 PDF fonts. Valid values are true (default) and false.

Since some configurations (PostScript / PDF tools / printers) use bad default fonts, it is safer to download the fonts. The PDF files will get bigger, though.

Map filename

Arranges that the contents of filename will be included in psfonts.map.

MixedMap filename

Arranges that the contents of filename will be included in psfonts.map, unless dvipsPreferOutline is set to false.

"Mixed" means that the fonts referenced in the file are available as bitmap and as outline.

Environment variables

BIBINPUTS

Extra paths to locate .bib files.

BSTINPUTS

Extra paths to locate .bst files.

MFINPUTS

Extra paths to locate METAFONT input and openin files.

MIKTEX REPOSITORY

Location of the package repository. This can be either a fully qualified path name (a local package repository) or an URL (a remote package repository).

MIKTEX TRACE

Comma-separated list of trace stream names (see Chapter 9, "Trace Streams"). If this variable is set, then MiKTEX programs will write trace messages into the DebugView window.

MPINPUTS

Extra paths to locate METAPOST input files.

TEXINPUTS

Extra paths to locate TEX \input and \openin files.

TFMFONTS

Extra paths to locate $T_E X$ font metric files

Trace Streams

```
access
      file tests (access(), stat())
config
      {\sf MiKT}_{\!E\!X}\ configuration\ settings
core MiKTEX core library
curl cURL library
dib device independant bitmaps
dvibitmap
      DVI bitmaps
dvicolor
      DVI color
dvifile
      DVI files
dvigc
      DVI garbage collector
dvihypertex
      DVI hypertex specials
dvipage
      DVI page builder
dvipkbitmap
      DVI PK raster operations
dvipkchar
      DVI PK characters
dvipkfont
      DVI PK fonts
dvisearch
      DVI source specials
dvitfm
      DVI font metrics
dvivfchar
```

DVI virtual font characters

dvivfont

DVI virtual fonts

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files file operations

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file searching

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font information retrieval

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 $T_E X$ & Friends memory allocation

mmap

memory mapped files

mpm

package manager

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packages

packages

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temporary files

time

execution time

values

configuration values

yap Yap

TEXMF Run-Time Parameters

10.1 All TEXMF Programs

```
;; TeX uses the buffer to contain input lines, but macro
;; expansion works by writing material into the buffer and reparsing the
;; line. As a consequence, certain constructs require the buffer to be
;; very large, even though most documents can be handled with a small value.
buf size=200000
;; Width of context lines on terminal error messages.
error_line=79
;; Extra low memory for boxes, glue, breakpoints, etc.
extra_mem_bot=0
;; Extra high memory for chars, tokens, etc.
extra_mem_top=0
;; Width of first lines of contexts in terminal error messages;
;; should be between 30 and (error_line - 15).
half_error_line=50
;; Words of inimemory available.
main_memory=3000000
;; Width of longest text lines output; should be at least 60.
max_print_line=79
;; Maximum number of strings.
max strings=500000
;; Maximum number of simultaneous macro parameters.
param_size=10000
;; Pool space free after format loaded.
pool_free=47500
;; Max number of characters in all strings, including all
;; error messages, help texts, font names, control sequences.
;; These values apply to TeX and MP.
pool_size=3250000
```

;; Maximum number of simultaneous input sources.

```
stack_size=5000

;; Strings available after format loaded.
strings_free=100

;; Minimum pool space after TeX/MP's own strings; must be at least
;; 25000 less than pool_size, but doesn't need to be nearly that large.
string_vacancies=90000
```

10.2 All T_FX Programs

```
;; Maximum number of input files and error insertions that can be going
;; on simultaneously.
max_in_open=50
;; Maximum number of semantic levels simultaneously active.
nest_size=500
;; Space for saving values outside current group.
save_size=50000
;; Space for hyphenation patterns.
trie_size=700000
;; Total number of fonts.
font_max=9000
;; Words of font info for TeX (total size of all TFM files, approximately).
font_mem_size=3000000
;; Extra space for the hash table of control sequences (which allows 10K
;; names as distributed).
hash_extra=200000
;; Prime number of hyphenation exceptions.
hyph_size=8191
```

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```
ocp_buf_size=500000
ocp_listinfo_size=1000
ocp_list_list_size=1000
ocp_lstack_size=1000
ocp_stack_size=10000
trie_op_size=35111
```

10.4 pdfTEX

```
pdf_mem_size=10000
obj_tab_size=1000
dest_names_size=131072
```

pdf_os_buf_size=1

10.5 METAFONT & METAPOST

```
;; Size of stack for bisection algorithms;
;; should probably be left at this value.
bistack_size=1500

;; Maximum number of ligature/kern steps, must be
;; at least 255 and at most 32510.
lig_table_size=15000

;; Maximum number of knots between breakpoints of a path.
path_size=10000
```

10.6 METAFONT

```
;; Number of autorounded points per cycle.
max_wiggle=1000

;; Space for storing moves in a single octant.
move_size=20000
```

10.7 METAPOST

;; Number of words for TFM information for text fonts. $\label{eq:font_mem_size} font_mem_size = 10000$

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