The latex-lab-testphase-new-or-2 code*

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Abstract

This code implements changes to the output routine intended to be moved in the LATEX kernel at some point in the future.

1 Introduction

2 Hooks and replaceable code blocks

2.0.1 Replaceable code blocks (sockets)

To cater for different layouts with respect to text, footnotes, and bottom-floats placements there are two sockets for now.

@makecol/outputbox (0 arguments) In code for this socket the **\@outputbox** (holding the galley text for the current column or page) is augmented by attaching floats and footnote areas together with appropriate spacing.

Prior to calling the socket the output routine has already decided which floats go into which area and which get deferred. Therefore, the assumption is that the code in the socket attaches all areas that contain floats. If this is not done, then the order of floats is likely to be screwed up unless unused floats are moved to the defer list in an appropriate way (for now we don't offer any interface for that scenario).

Before the code in the socket is run, any existing glue at the bottom of the \@outputbox is removed and stored in a safe place. If needed, it can be reinserted with one of the helper commands.

To support setting this up the following helper commands are available:

\@outputbox@append (1 argument)

This general purpose command alters the $\colon box$ box by appending material to it.

\@outputbox@appendfootnotes (0 arguments)

This command appends the footnotes to the \Coutputbox (if there are any). If not, then it does nothing.

\@outputbox@attachfloats (0 arguments)

\@outputbox@attachtopfloats (0 arguments)

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\@outputbox@attachbottomfloats (0 arguments)

Attaching top and bottom floats can usually be done in one go, but for special layouts we might want more control so we provide also separate commands.

\CoutputboxCreinsertbskip (0 arguments)

Reinsert the bottom skip of the **\@outputbox** that was saved before.

Testing for existence of material

There are a number of helpers to run conditional code depending on whether or not there are footnotes or bottom floats. They are \@if@footnotes@TF and \@if@bfloats@TF (names are likely to change).

TODO: Decide on names for these helper commands. We could keep them similar to the above (because they are only supposed to be used by a few packages). However, we could alternatively use CamelCase names, under the assumption that classes may also directly define a plug for the socket, instead of loading a support package such as footmisc (or in addition to). — decide

This socket cannot be empty but needs appropriate code; a set of suitable plugs for it are already given in the kernel. These are

- space-footnotes-floats After the galley text there is a vertical \vfill followed by any footnotes followed by the bottom floats, if any.
- floats-footnotes-space As before but the \vfill is at the bottom (page is ragged bottom).
- footnotes-space-floats As before but the \vfill is between footnotes and
 floats.
- space-floats-footnotes Here the footnotes come last. 1
- floats-footnotes All excess space has to be distributed across the existing glue on the page, e.g., within the text galley, the separation between blocks, etc. The order is text, floats, footnotes.
- footnotes-floats As the previous one but floats and footnotes are swapped. This is the LATEX default, i.e., this plug is assigned to the socket.
- **@makecol/footnotes (0 arguments)** This socket is used to manipulate the footnote material inside \box\footins. It if contains code, it is supposed to do some processing of that box and then write the result back into it (and nothing else!). By default it does nothing, i.e., has the noop assigned.
 - If (short) footnotes are run as a paragraph this socket gets the plug para assigned which is defined elsewhere.

¹There are two more permutations, but neither of them has ever been requested so they aren't set up by default — doing that in a class would be trivial though.

3 The Implementation

1 (*package)

3.1 File declaration

3.2 \@makecol reimplementation

In order for other packages to prepend or append code to \@makecol the generic command hooks cmd/@makecol/before and cmd/@makecol/after can be used, so for now there is nothing we need to do for this.

\@makecol is shortened a lot, basically all the hardwired code in the middle has moved into a socket.

5 \def \@makecol {%

Save away box 255 as \@outputbox to make it available for further adjustments.

setbox\@outputbox \box\@cclv

The only real addition is the next command which either does nothing or removes an infinite glue from the bottom of the \@outputbox.

7 \@outputbox@removebskip

Now a kernel hook for tagging.

TODO: The name is likely to change and it probably will eventually be replaced with a socket.

8 \@kernel@tagsupport@@makecol

When this code is run any "here" floats in the \Coutputbox are already handled, so we recycle their registers and put them back to the \Cfreelist.

- 9 \let\@elt\relax
- 10 \xdef\@freelist{\@freelist\@midlist}%
- 11 \global \let \@midlist \@empty

Here we have the configurable part. This socket is supposed to add floats, footnotes and stretchable vertical space as appropriate to the \@outputbox.

12 \UseSocket{@makecol/outputbox}%

Then we deal with any \enlargethispage or run the normal code to build a column.

```
13 \ifvbox\@kludgeins
14 \@make@specialcolbox
15 \else
16 \@make@normalcolbox
17 \fi
18 \global \maxdepth \@maxdepth
19 }
```

(End of definition for \@makecol. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@outputbox@depth

We need to know the depth of \@outputbox once in a while. Rather than using a temp dimen (as it was done in the past), we give it a proper register.

 ${\tt 20} \verb|\newdimen\\@outputbox@depth|\\$

(End of definition for \CoutputboxCdepth. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@make@normalcolbox

Taken out of \@makecol for readability.

```
21 \def \@make@normalcolbox {%
     \setbox\@outputbox \vbox to\@colht {%
23
         \@texttop
         \@outputbox@depth \dp\@outputbox
24
         \unvbox \@outputbox
25
         \vskip -\@outputbox@depth
26
         \@textbottom
27
        }%
28
29 }
```

(End of definition for \@make@normalcolbox. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@make@specialcolbox Make the colbox when \enlargethispage was used.

```
30 \def \@make@specialcolbox {%
     \@outputbox@append {\vskip-\@outputbox@depth}%
31
     \@tempdima \@colht
32
     \ifdim \wd\@kludgeins>\z@
33
       \advance \@tempdima -\ht\@outputbox
34
       \advance \@tempdima \pageshrink
35
       \setbox\@outputbox \vbox to \@colht {%
36
37
         \unvbox\@outputbox
         \vskip \@tempdima
38
39
         \@textbottom
         }%
40
41
       \advance \@tempdima -\ht\@kludgeins
42
43
       \setbox \@outputbox \vbox to \@colht {%
         \vbox to \@tempdima {%
45
            \unvbox\@outputbox
            \@textbottom}%
46
47
         \vss}%
     \fi
48
     {\setbox \@tempboxa \box \@kludgeins}%
49
50 }
```

(End of definition for \OmakeOspecialcolbox. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@outputbox@removebskip

This is really a bug fix for the kernel but one we only automatically make in new documents that are using \DocumentMetadata.

TODO: may make optional for legacy docs

If \raggedbottom is in force, footnotes get attached to the main galley at a distance of \footskip on all pages except on those that are ended by \newpage or \clearpage where the \vfil from \newpage pushes the footnotes to the very bottom.

This is kind of a weird difference to a page ending with \pagebreak—in that case the page is also run short, but the footnotes are not pushed to the bottom.

In footmisc \@outputbox@removebskip is only applied when footmisc is called with an option specifying the footnote placement, i.e., not in the default case. In new documents we apply it always.

51 \def\@outputbox@removebskip{%

We first test if we are in a \raggedbottom layout. If not we do nothing, but we don't disable the code because \raggedbottom may get used only for some parts of the document.

52 \ifx\@textbottom\relax \else

We then append some negative glue at the end of **\@outputbox** provided it has a glue stretch order of 1 or more (i.e., contains a fil or fill part).

\@outputbox@reinsertbskip

We also record the value so that it can be reinserted elsewhere. As we have to do this globally, we also need to explicitly reset it if we don't find any such glue.

We need a trivial top-level definition for \@outputbox@reinsertbskip in case the first page has no bottom glue and the command gets called.

 ${\tt 65} \verb|\label{continuous} {\tt 165} \verb|\labe$

 $(End\ of\ definition\ for\ \verb"\Coutputbox\Qremovebskip"\ and\ \verb"\Coutputbox\Qreinsertbskip".\ These\ functions\ are\ documented\ on\ page\ \ref{eq:contputbox}.)$

\@kernel@before@cclv \@kernel@before@footins These two commands are internal kernel hooks intended for tagging support in case that is active. They should not be altered by package code! By default they do nothing (and may have been defined already by \DocumentMetadata).

TODO: The names might change and perhaps each of them is turned into a socket named something like tagsupport/before/cclv or similar.

66 \providecommand\@kernel@before@cclv{}
67 \providecommand\@kernel@before@footins{}

(End of definition for \@kernel@before@cclv and \@kernel@before@footins. These functions are documented on page ??.)

3.3 The output routine configuration components

Here we provide the components that are used to define code for the <code>@makecol/outputbox</code> socket.

\@outputbox@append

This general purpose command alters the \@outputbox box by appending material to it. As this is a box typesetting operation we make sure that the last line of the box reflects the true depth of the last line (in case that is needed later). We also expose the current depth of \@outputbox as \@outputbox@depth before unboxing so that its value can be used by #1 if wanted.

- 68 \def\@outputbox@append #1{%
- $69 \% \ \ if!\detokenize{#1}!\else$

```
\setbox\@outputbox \vbox {%
70
          \boxmaxdepth \@maxdepth
71
          \@outputbox@depth\dp\@outputbox
                                                   % if needed in #1
72
          \unvbox \@outputbox
73
          #1%
74
       }%
75
     \fi
76 %
77 }
```

(End of definition for \CoutputboxCappend. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@outputbox@appendfootnotes

This command appends the footnotes to the **\@outputbox** (if there are any). If not, then it does nothing.

```
78 \def\@outputbox@appendfootnotes {%
79 \ifvoid\footins \else
```

First come two configuration points: what to do if we are in a split footnote situation and a second one that does some manipulation of the \footins box before it gets appended.

TODO: The code for handling split footnotes will get revised as part of socket handling in the future

- 80 \@makecol@handlesplitfootnotes
- 81 \UseSocket{@makecol/footnotes}%

Then the footnotes are appended:

```
\@outputbox@append{%
s3 \vskip \skip\footins
```

This is a kernel hook for tagging.

TODO: The name is likely to change and it probably will eventually be replaced with a socket.

```
84 \@kernel@before@footins
85 \color@begingroup
86 \normalcolor
87 \footnoterule
```

Support for pdfcolfoot, eventually this can go once color is properly supported. The csname is constructed in case it doesn't exist.

```
\csname pdfcolfoot@current\endcsname
\unvbox \footins
\color@endgroup
\unvbox \fi
\un
```

(End of definition for \CoutputboxCappendfootnotes. This function is documented on page ??.)

\@outputbox@attachfloats \@outputbox@attachtopfloats

\@outputbox@attachbottomfloats

Attaching top and bottom floats can usually be done in one go, but for special layouts we might want more control so we provide also separate commands.

94 \let \@outputbox@attachfloats \@combinefloats

```
95 \def \@outputbox@attachtopfloats {%
     \ifx \@toplist\@empty \else \@cflt \fi
97 }
  \def \@outputbox@attachbottomfloats {%
       \ifx \@botlist\@empty \else \@cflb \fi
99
100 }
```

 $(End\ of\ definition\ for\ \c)$ CoutputboxCattachfloats, \c)CoutputboxCattachtopfloats, and \c)CoutputboxCattachbottomfloats. These functions are documented on page ??.)

\@makecol@handlesplitfootnotes \@makecol@splitfootnotemessagehook This is only an early draft and doesn't do much. Contains incomplete preparation for tagging commented out.

TODO: Interfaces and code will change in the future

```
101 \def\@makecol@handlesplitfootnotes {%
102 % \ifx\splitfootnote@continuation\@empty \else
103 %
        \setbox\footins\vbox{\splitfootnote@continuation\unvbox\footins}%
104 %
        \global\let\splitfootnote@continuation\@empty
105 %
     \ifnum\insertpenalties>\z@
106
107
       \@makecol@splitfootnotemessagehook
108 %
        \setbox\footins\vbox{\unvbox\footins --- END at split}%
109 %
        \gdef\splitfootnote@continuation
                                           {--- START after split}%
    \fi
110
111 }
112 %\def\splitfootnote@continuation{}
```

This could issue warning if split footnotes are encountered.

113 \let \@makecol@splitfootnotemessagehook \@empty

These functions are documented on page ??.)

@makecol/footnote (socket) The socket allowing the manipulation of \footins box (result needs to be moved back in there). Used when footnotes are reformatted into a single paragraph by the para option of footmisc. By default it does nothing.

114 \NewSocket{@makecol/footnotes}{0}

TODO: Some temp interfaces until configuration points are available.

\@if@flushbottom@TF

Test for \flushbottom (currently not used).

```
\def\@if@flushbottom@TF{%
     \ifx\@textbottom\relax
       \expandafter\@firstoftwo
     \else
118
       \expandafter\@secondoftwo
119
120
     \fi
121 }
```

(End of definition for \@if@flushbottom@TF. This function is documented on page ??.)

```
\@if@footnotes@TF
                              Test if footnotes are present on the current page.
                               122 \def\@if@footnotes@TF{%
                                    \ifvoid\footins
                                      \expandafter\@secondoftwo
                               124
                                    \else
                               125
                                      \expandafter\@firstoftwo
                               126
                               127
                                    \fi
                               128 }
                              (End of definition for \@if@footnotes@TF. This function is documented on page ??.)
                              Test if bottom floats are around.
            \@if@bfloats@TF
                               129 \def\@if@bfloats@TF{%
                                    \ifx \@botlist\@empty
                               131
                                      \expandafter\@secondoftwo
                               132
                                      \expandafter\@firstoftwo
                                    \fi
                               134
                               135 }
                              (End of definition for \@if@bfloats@TF. This function is documented on page ??.)
                                     The \@makecol configuration
  @makecol/outputbox (socket) We have one socket that is supposed to augment the \@outputbox by attaching floats
                              and footnotes with appropriate spacing.
                               136 \NewSocket{@makecol/outputbox}{0}
                                   The following plugs are available for this socket:
space-footnotes-floats (pluq) After the galley text there is a vertical \vfill followed by any footnotes followed by the
                              bottom floats, if any.
                                  \NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{space-footnotes-floats} {%
                                    \@if@footnotes@TF
                               138
                                        {\@outputbox@append{\vfill}}%
                               139
                                        {\@if@bfloats@TF
                               140
                                          {\@outputbox@append{\vfill}}%
                               141
                                          {\@outputbox@reinsertbskip}%
                               142
                               143
                                    \@outputbox@appendfootnotes
                               144
                               145
                                    \@outputbox@attachfloats
                               146
floats-footnotes-space (pluq) As before but the \vfill is at the bottom (page is ragged bottom).
                                  \NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{floats-footnotes-space} {%
                               147
                                    \@outputbox@attachfloats
                               148
                                    \@if@footnotes@TF
                               149
                                        150
                               151
                                        {\@outputbox@reinsertbskip}%
                                    \@outputbox@appendfootnotes
```

153 **}**

```
154 \NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{footnotes-space-floats} {%
                                     \@outputbox@appendfootnotes
                                     \@if@bfloats@TF
                                156
                                         {\@outputbox@append{\vfill}}%
                                157
                                         {\@outputbox@reinsertbskip}%
                                158
                                159
                                     \@outputbox@attachfloats
                                160 }
space-floats-footnotes (plug) Here the footnotes come last.<sup>2</sup>
                                161 \NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{space-floats-footnotes} {%
                                     \@if@footnotes@TF
                                162
                                         {\@outputbox@append{\vfill}}%
                                163
                                         {\@if@bfloats@TF
                                164
                                           {\@outputbox@append{\vfill}}%
                                165
                                           {\@outputbox@reinsertbskip}}%
                                     \@outputbox@attachfloats
                                     \@outputbox@appendfootnotes
                                168
                                169 }
```

footnotes-space-floats (plug) As before but the \vfill is between footnotes and floats.

floats-footnotes (plug) All excess space has to be distributed across the existing glue on the page, e.g., within the text galley, the separation between blocks, etc. The order is text, floats, footnotes.

```
NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{floats-footnotes} {% \ \cdots \
```

We do reinsert the bottom skip from \newpage if it was taken out earlier. This is, strictly speaking, not necessary in most cases, but it is a \vfil while \raggedbottom is only generating \vspace{0pt plus .0001fil}, so if you have several \vfil on the page before the \newpage you would alter the space distribution if one is taken out.

```
173 \@outputbox@reinsertbskip
174 }
```

footnotes-floats (plug)

```
175 \NewSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{footnotes-floats} {%
176   \@outputbox@appendfootnotes
177   \@outputbox@attachfloats
178   \@outputbox@reinsertbskip
179 }
```

The footnote-floats plug is the default used by LATEX; it can be overwritten either through footmisc or by assigning any of the other plugs (or by coding yet another plug for the socket).

180 \AssignSocketPlug {@makecol/outputbox}{footnotes-floats}

4 Replacement for the footmisc package

The replacement for footmisc. If the new code is used, we must replace the package if it is loaded by the user:

\declareOfileOsubstitution{footmisc.sty}{latex-lab-footmisc.ltx}

 $^{^2}$ There are two more permutations, but neither of them has ever been requested so they aren't set up by default — doing that in a class would be trivial though.

5 Temp stuff that is related but should go to the kernel

This is the code from latex-lab-footnotes.dtx.

- 182 \input{latex-lab-footnotes.ltx}
- 183 //package>

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