The l3pdfannot module
Commands for PDF annotations
LaTeX PDF management testphase bundle

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1 l3pdfannot documentation

This module contains a number of commands to create PDF annotations. The commands are *not* always simple wrappers around primitive commands. To allow external packages to configure links and other annotations, some of the commands have hooks and use shared attribute dictionaries. For these commands the hooks and dictionaries are selected depending on the ⟨*type*⟩ of the annotation. Currently the module only supports some general commands and link annotations. Commands for other annotations like widgets will be added later.

1.1 dvips specialities

With most engines and backend the content of arguments like {⟨*annot spec*⟩} are dictionaries with keys and values which looks like the PDF. With dvips this is different. As it write at first a postscript file which is then interpreted along the rule of the pdfmark reference (and the rules of the postscript language) the handling is in some parts so different that it is difficult to hide this in abstraction like the one of this module. And there is the additional complication that the two postscript processor ghostscript (ps2pdf) and distiller handles some code differently too.

For now the following differences have been spotted, it is yet not quite clear how to resolve them

- distiller doesn't like it if the action is provided by directly providing the `/A` key with some values. Instead it expects a keyword `/Action`, which it will then translate to `/A`. For `GoTo` links this has been resolved at the backend level, but for other link types this problem is open.

- ghostscript doesn't like object references as values in some places. The work around here (which is e.g. used by hyperref for GoToR link) is to write the whole dictionary first as an object and to use its reference, but this is something distiller doesn't like, sigh.

- How to escaping text and create unicode can be different.

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1.2   General annotation commands

\pdfannot_box:nnnn   \pdfannot_box:nnnn {⟨*width*⟩} {⟨*height*⟩} {⟨*depth*⟩} {⟨*annot spec*⟩}
\pdfannot_box:nnne

New: 2019-09-05
Updated: 2020-04-14

This creates an **/Type/Annot** object with the given dimensions. It doesn't use hooks or dictionaries. The annotation doesn't occupy space but as it is a whatsit it can affect spacing.

\pdfannot_box_ref_last: \pdfannot_box_ref_last:

New: 2019-09-05

This retrieves the object reference of the last box annotation created.

1.3   Dictionary for the annotation spec

⟨*annot spec*⟩ in the above command can be given in two ways. One way is to enter the needed dictionary keys and values directly:

```
\pdfannot_box:nnnn{1cm}{1cm}{0cm}{/Subtype/Link /Border[0~0~1]}
```

A second method is to make use of the dictionary commands provided by l3pdfdict:

```
\pdfdict_new:n  {l_my_annot}
\pdfdict_put:nnn{l_my_annot}{Subtype}{/Link}
\pdfdict_put:nnn{l_my_annot}{Border}{[0~0~1]}
\pdfannot_box:nnne{1cm}{1cm}{0cm}{\pdfdict_use:n{l_my_annot}}
```

The second method is clearly slower and more to type. But it has the advantage that using such a dictionary makes it easy to add, remove and change entries. It also avoids the potential problem that a key is added twice with different values. This allows to create user interfaces to change settings and also makes it easy to extend the interfaces in case some new setting should be included. For these reasons both the PDF management itself, but also the specific annotation commands in the following sections all make use of such dictionaries.

1.4   Link annotations

Link annotations are special cases of annotations. In the PDF they are identified by an **/Subtype/Link** entry in the dictionary. Link annotations are quite important as many documents contain links, both internal and external. They need a set of special commands for two reasons:

At first the content of links are not only boxes. Links can contain line and page breaks (this is normally implemented by the primitive command by creating a set of annotations).

At second link annotations are objects that need some "management" as more than one package wants to configure their look and behaviour. For example hyperref, ocgx2 and the code for tagged PDF (currently in tagpdf) all want to add keys and values to the dictionaries of link annotation and code around links. So commands to create link annotations should offer suitable hooks. There are three standard places in a link where such hooks are needed: At the begin (for example for a structure command or color), in the *attr spec* dictionary of the link (for example for the border), and at the end of the link (to close a structure or the color group). For the begin and end hooks of the LaTeX

hook management are predefined and used. To add and remove values from the *attr spec* dictionary special commands described below are provided. The link commands switch to horizontal mode as the commands of pdftex and luatex can't be used in vertical mode.

`\c_pdfannot_link_types_seq` There are currently five link types, `URI`, `GoToR`, `Launch`, `GoTo` or `Named`, and there are stored in this constant.

`pdfannot/link/TYPE/before`
`pdfannot/link/TYPE/begin` These are the hooks used by the following commands. TYPE can be one of `URI`, `GoToR`,
`pdfannot/link/TYPE/end` `Launch`, `GoTo` or `Named`
`pdfannot/link/TYPE/after`

`link/TYPE` These is the name of the dictionary used by the following commands. TYPE can be one of `URI`, `GoToR`, `Launch`, `GoTo` or `Named`. The dictionary can be changed by the commands `\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn` and friends described below.

`\pdfannot_link:nnn {⟨type⟩} {⟨user action spec⟩} {⟨link text⟩}`

This creates a link around the ⟨`link text`⟩. `/Subtype/Link` is added automatically through the dictionary. ⟨`user action spec`⟩[1]. is provided as a fast method to add dictionary contents, but it should be noted that no provision is taken to avoid clashes with values added through the dictionary. If needed clashing entries should be removed from the dictionary first. Normally the argument is not needed, all entries can be added through the dictionary too. ⟨`type`⟩ should be one of `URI`, `GoToR`, `Launch`, `GoTo` or `Named`. The `GoTo` variant does *not* complain if the destination name is not known like `\pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw`. The attributes stored in the local dictionary `link/`⟨`type`⟩ are inserted as *attr spec* before ⟨`user action spec`⟩. The code in the begin and end hook `pdfannot/link/`⟨`type`⟩`/before` and `pdfannot/link/`⟨`type`⟩`/after` is executed before and after the link (outside the link command) while `pdfannot/link/`⟨`type`⟩`/begin` and `pdfannot/link/`⟨`type`⟩`/end` are directly around the link text. None of the hooks introduce a group. ⟨`type`⟩ should normally be identical to the value of the `/S` key in the action dictionary. As example either with a direct action

```
\pdfannot_link:nnn { URI }
  {
    /A<<
      /Type/Action
      /S/URI
      /URI(https://www.latex-project.org)
    >>
  }
  { link text}
```

Or through a dictionary:

```
\pdfdict_new:n   {l_my_action_dict}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{Type}{/Action}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{S}{/URI}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{URI}{(https://www.latex-project.org)}

\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn
  {link/URI} { C } {[1~0~0]} %red border

\pdfannot_link:nen { URI }
 {
   /A <<\pdfdict_use:n{l_my_action_dict}>>
 }
 { link text }
```

Or if you want to exclude the possibility of a duplicated /A entry (if the action is already in the link/GoTo dictionary e.g. if you can expect other packages to add a dictionary). An alternative is to ensure that no /A is there by removing it explicitly.

```
\pdfdict_new:n   {l_my_action_dict}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{Type}{/Action}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{S}{/URI}
\pdfdict_put:nnn {l_my_action_dict}{URI}{(https://www.latex-project.org)}
```

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```
\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn
  {link/URI} { C } {[1~0~0]} %red border

\group_begin:
\pdfannot_dict_put:nne {link/GoTo}{A}{<<\pdfdict_use:n{l_my_action_dict}>>}
\pdfannot_link:nnn { URI }{}{ link text }
\group_end:
```

`\pdfannot_link_begin:nnw`	`\pdfannot_link_begin:nnw` {⟨*type*⟩} {⟨*user action spec*⟩} ⟨*content*⟩
`\pdfannot_link_end:n`	`\pdfannot_link_end:n` {⟨*type*⟩}

This creates a link like the previous command. `/Subtype/Link` is added automatically through the dictionary. ⟨*user action spec*⟩[2]. is provided as a fast method to add dictionary contents, but it should be noted that no provision is taken to avoid clashes with values added through the dictionary. If needed clashing entries should be removed from the dictionary first. Normally the argument is not needed, all entries can be added through the dictionary too. `/Subtype/Link` is added automatically. In contrast to `\pdfannot_link:nnn` this function does not absorb the argument when finding the ⟨*content*⟩, and so can be used in circumstances where the ⟨*content*⟩ may not be a simple argument. But beside this, it works similar and use the same hooks. As example

```
\pdfannot_link_begin:nnw { URI }
{
  /A<<
    /Type/Action
    /S/URI
    /URI(https://www.latex-project.org)
  >>
}
link text
\pdfannot_link_end:n { URI }
```

`\pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw`	`\pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw` {⟨*destination*⟩} ⟨*content*⟩
`\pdfannot_link_goto_end:`	`\pdfannot_link_goto_end:`

This is a special, shorter version for links to internal destinations. It always uses the hooks and dictionary of the `GoTo` link type. ⟨*destination*⟩ is a destination name. In difference to `\pdfannot_link:nnn { GoTo }` it will complain if ⟨*destination*⟩ is an unknown destination and give the message

```
name{ZZZZ} has been referenced but does not exist, replaced by a fixed one
```

`\pdfannot_link_ref_last:`

This retrieves the object reference a link created previously with the commands above. This doesn't work currently with xelatex but a feature request has been made. see https://tug.org/pipermail/dvipdfmx/2020-December/000134.html

`\pdfannot_ref_last:`

This retrieves the object reference a previously annotation created either with a link or a general box command. When the last was a link it won't work with xelatex. see https://tug.org/pipermail/dvipdfmx/2020-December/000134.html

`\pdfannot_link_margin:n`   `\pdfannot_link_margin:n` {⟨*dimen*⟩}

This sets the dimension of the link margin.

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[1]The wording follows the pdftex documentation
[2]The wording follows the pdftex documentation

`\pdfannot_link_off:`
`\pdfannot_link_on:`

In most engines links can broken over lines and pages. The backends then create intermediate link objects to catch all the content between the start and end of the links, mostly based on some heuristics using the boxlevel. This can lead to the unpleasant result that header and footer are part of the link too. Since texlive 2021 pdflatex and lualatex has commands similar to a special already included in dvipdfmx which allows to interrupt a link. The commands must be used with care: typically they must be outside a box that would be caught by link to have the wanted effect.

`\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn`

`\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn {⟨dictionary name⟩} {⟨key⟩} {⟨value⟩}`

This adds (locally) a key-value to the internal annot dictionaries used by the link commands above. ⟨`dictionary name`⟩ should be currently one of `link/URI`, `link/URI`,`link/GoToR`, `link/Launch`, `link/GoTo`, `link/Named`.

`\pdfannot_dict_remove:nn`

`\pdfannot_dict_remove:nn {⟨dictionary name⟩} {⟨key⟩}`

This removes a key-value from the internal annot dictionary ⟨`dictionary name`⟩ should be currently one of `link/URI`, `link/GoToR`, `link/Launch`, `link/GoTo`, `link/Named`.

`\pdfannot_dict_show:n`

`\pdfannot_dict_show:n {⟨dictionary name⟩}`

This shows the content of the internal annot dictionary. ⟨`dictionary name`⟩ should be currently one of `link/URI`, `link/URI`, `link/GoToR`, `link/Launch`, `link/GoTo`, `link/Named`.

`\pdfannot_dict_use:n` ⋆

`\pdfannot_dict_use:n {⟨dictionary name⟩}`

This outputs the property list of the dictionary as a list of `/key value` pairs. This can be used e.g. when writing a dictionary object with `\pdf_object_write:nne`

`\l_pdfannot_F_bitset`

This is a bitset variable, with the named index names suitable for the /F flag in an annotation. It can be used for example like this:

```
\bitset_set_true:Nn \l_pdfannot_F_bitset {Print}
\pdfannot_dict_put:nne {link/URI} {F}
  { \bitset_to_arabic:N \l_pdfannot_F_bitset }
```

The known keys for the bitset are `Invisible`, `Hidden`, `Print`, `NoZoom`, `NoRotate`, `NoView`, `ReadOnly`, `Locked`, `ToggleNoView`, `LockedContents` which correspond to the names used in the PDF references.

1.5 Widget annotations

Widget annotations are quite important for form fields, as they are used to build the actually instance of such fields.

As they can contain meaningful content hooks are probably needed to allow tagging and other manipulations, so like with link special commands are provided. Widget are normally in a box and line and page breaks are not relevant, so the command is offered as box command.

`\pdfannot_widget_box:nnn`   `\pdfannot_widget_box:nnn` {⟨*width*⟩} {⟨*height*⟩} {⟨*depth*⟩}

This creates an `/Type/Annot` object with the given dimensions. The annotation doesn't occupy space. It will insert the attribute dictionary of the widget type (which is prefilled with `/Subtype/Widget`). The hooks `pdfannot/widget/before` and `pdfannot/widget/after` are executed before and after the widget. The widget has four subdirectories, `widget/AA`, `widget/AP`, `widget/MK` and `widget/BS` which can be filled with `\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn` and will be used if not empty.

2   l3pdfannot implementation

```
1 ⟨@@=pdfannot⟩
2 ⟨*header⟩
3 \ProvidesExplPackage{l3pdfannot}{2024-10-27}{0.96n}
4   {PDF-annotations}
5 \RequirePackage{l3pdfdict}
6 ⟨/header⟩
```

Annotations have a /F flag, we provide a public bitset for it.

```
7  ⟨*package⟩
8  \cs_if_exist:NF \bitset_new:Nn
9    { \RequirePackage { l3bitset } }
10 \bitset_new:Nn \l_pdfannot_F_bitset
11   {
12     Invisible     = 1,
13     Hidden        = 2,
14     Print         = 3,
15     NoZoom        = 4,
16     NoRotate      = 5,
17     NoView        = 6,
18     ReadOnly      = 7,
19     Locked        = 8,
20     ToggleNoView  = 9,
21     LockedContents = 10
22   }
```

2.1   General Annotations

`\g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool`   The pdf engines have two different primitive commands to refer to the last created annotation: one for links, one for boxed annotation. We use a boolean to decide which one should be used, so that only one user command is needed.

```
23 \bool_new:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
```

(*End of definition for* `\g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool`.)

`\pdfannot_box:nnnn`
`\pdfannot_box:nnne`
`\pdfannot_box_ref_last:`

```
24 \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_box:nnnn #1 #2 #3 #4
25   {
26     \__pdf_backend_annotation:nnnn {#1}{#2}{#3}{#4}
27     \bool_gset_false:N\g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
28   }
29 \cs_generate_variant:Nn \pdfannot_box:nnnn {nnne,nnnx}
30 \cs_new:Npn \pdfannot_box_ref_last:
31   {
```

```
32      \__pdf_backend_annotation_last:
33    }
34
```

(*End of definition for* \pdfannot_box:nnnn *and* \pdfannot_box_ref_last:. *These functions are documented on page 2.*)

2.2 Annotations, subtype Widget

Widgets are typically boxes, so we provide a box command. A local dictionary `l_-@@/Widget` is used. It contains like the other dictionaries the subtype setting (the /Type is added by the backend).

```
35    \pdfdict_new:n    { l__pdfannot/widget }
36    \pdfdict_new:n    { l__pdfannot/widget/AA }
37    \pdfdict_new:n    { l__pdfannot/widget/AP }
38    \pdfdict_new:n    { l__pdfannot/widget/MK }
39    \pdfdict_new:n    { l__pdfannot/widget/BS }
40    \pdfdict_put:nnn { l__pdfannot/widget }{ Subtype }{ /Widget }
41    \hook_new_pair:nn
42      {pdfannot/widget/before}
43      {pdfannot/widget/after}
44    \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_widget_box:nnn #1 #2 #3
45      {
46        \hook_use:n { pdfannot/widget/before }
47        \group_begin:
48        \pdfmeta_standard_verify:nT
49          {annot_widget_no_AA}
50          {
51            \pdfdict_if_empty:nF { l__pdfannot/widget/AA }
52              {
53                \pdf_object_unnamed_write:ne {dict}{\pdfdict_use:n{l__pdfannot/widget/AA}}
54                \pdfdict_put:nne { l__pdfannot/widget }
55                  {AA}
56                  {\pdf_object_ref_last:}
57              }
58          }
59        \pdfdict_if_empty:nF { l__pdfannot/widget/AP }
60          {
61            \pdf_object_unnamed_write:ne {dict}{\pdfdict_use:n{l__pdfannot/widget/AP}}
62            \pdfdict_put:nne { l__pdfannot/widget }
63                {AP}
64                {\pdf_object_ref_last:}
65          }
66        \pdfdict_if_empty:nF { l__pdfannot/widget/MK }
67          {
68            \pdf_object_unnamed_write:ne {dict}{\pdfdict_use:n{l__pdfannot/widget/MK}}
69            \pdfdict_put:nne { l__pdfannot/widget }
70                {MK}
71                {\pdf_object_ref_last:}
72          }
73        \pdfdict_if_empty:nF { l__pdfannot/widget/BS }
74          {
75            \pdf_object_unnamed_write:ne {dict}{\pdfdict_use:n{l__pdfannot/widget/BS}}
76            \pdfdict_put:nne { l__pdfannot/widget }
```

```
77              {BS}
78              {\pdf_object_ref_last:}
79          }
80      \pdfannot_box:nnne {#1}{#2}{#3}
81          {
82              \pdfdict_use:n { l__pdfannot/widget}
83          }
84      \hook_use:n { pdfannot/widget/end }
85      \group_end:
86      \bool_gset_false:N\g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
87  }
```

2.3 Annotations, subtype Link

The code assumes that there will be different link types (currently URI, GoToR, Launch, GoTo, Named, hyperref uses the names url,file,run,link,menu) and that links of the same type share the *attr spec* and also the same begin/end code. The list of link types need to stay restricted and well documented so that all packages know which types they have to handle. It is stored in a constant seq.

\c_pdfannot_link_types_seq   This constant sequence contains the list of currently supported link types for which hooks and dictionaries exist.

(*End of definition for* \c_pdfannot_link_types_seq. *This variable is documented on page* 3.)

link/TYPE   These setup the dictionary and the hook pairs.
pdfannot/link/TYPE/before
pdfannot/link/TYPE/begin
pdfannot/link/TYPE/end
pdfannot/link/TYPE/after

```
88 \seq_const_from_clist:Nn \c_pdfannot_link_types_seq { URI , GoToR , Launch , GoTo, Named }
89 \seq_map_inline:Nn \c_pdfannot_link_types_seq
90   {
91     \pdfdict_new:n { l__pdfannot/link/#1 }
92     \pdfdict_put:nnn { l__pdfannot/link/#1 }{ Subtype }{ /Link }
93     \hook_new_pair:nn
94       {pdfannot/link/#1/before}
95       {pdfannot/link/#1/after}
96     \hook_new_pair:nn
97       {pdfannot/link/#1/begin}
98       {pdfannot/link/#1/end}
99   }
```

(*End of definition for* link/TYPE *and others. These variables are documented on page* 3.)

2.4 Interruption of links

```
100 \cs_new_protected:Nn \pdfannot_link_off: { \__pdf_backend_link_off: }
101 \cs_new_protected:Nn \pdfannot_link_on:  { \__pdf_backend_link_on: }
```

2.4.1 Annotations, subtype Link /management

\pdfannot_link:nnn
\pdfannot_link:nen

```
102 \cs_new_protected:Nn \pdfannot_link:nnn %#1 type (URI, GoTo etc),
103                                         %#2 action spec, #3 link text
104 {
105     \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/before}
106     \mode_leave_vertical:
107     \exp_args:Nee %xetex needs expansion
```

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```
108       \__pdf_backend_link_begin_user:nnw
109         {
110           \pdfdict_if_exist:nT { l__pdfannot/link/#1 }
111             {
112               \pdfdict_use:n { l__pdfannot/link/#1}
113             }
114         }
115         {
116           #2 %exp_not?
117         }
118       \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
119       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/begin}
120       #3
121       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/end}
122       \__pdf_backend_link_end:
123       \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
124       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/after}
125     }
126   \cs_generate_variant:Nn \pdfannot_link:nnn {nen,nxn}
```

(End of definition for \pdfannot_link:nnn*. This function is documented on page 4.)*

\pdfannot_link_begin:nnw
\pdfannot_link_begin:new
\pdfannot_link_end:n

```
127   \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_link_begin:nnw #1 #2 %#1 type, #2 action spec
128     {
129       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/before}
130       \mode_leave_vertical:
131       \exp_args:Nee %xetex needs expansion
132         \__pdf_backend_link_begin_user:nnw
133           {
134             \pdfdict_if_exist:nT { l__pdfannot/link/#1 }
135               {
136                 \pdfdict_use:n { l__pdfannot/link/#1}
137               }
138           }
139           { #2 }
140       \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
141       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/begin}
142     }
143
144   \cs_new_protected:Nn \pdfannot_link_end:n %#1 type, e.g. url
145     {
146       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/end}
147       \__pdf_backend_link_end:
148       \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
149       \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/#1/after}
150     }
151   \cs_generate_variant:Nn \pdfannot_link_begin:nnw {new,nxw}
```

(End of definition for \pdfannot_link_begin:nnw *and* \pdfannot_link_end:n*. These functions are documented on page 5.)*

\pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw
\pdfannot_link_goto_end:

```
152   \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw #1 %#1 destination
153     {
```

```
154    \pdfdict_remove:nn { l__pdfannot/link/GoTo} {Subtype}
155    \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/GoTo/before} %the backend add it too
156    \mode_leave_vertical:
157    \exp_args:Nee %xetex needs expansion
158    \__pdf_backend_link_begin_goto:nnw
159      {
160        \pdfdict_use:n { l__pdfannot/link/GoTo}
161      }
162      { #1 }
163      \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
164      \pdfdict_put:nnn { l__pdfannot/link/GoTo} {Subtype}{GoTo}
165      \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/GoTo/begin}
166    }
167
168  \cs_new_protected:Nn \pdfannot_link_goto_end:
169    {
170      \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/GoTo/end}
171      \__pdf_backend_link_end:
172      \bool_gset_true:N \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
173      \hook_use:n { pdfannot/link/GoTo/after}
174    }
```

(*End of definition for* \pdfannot_link_goto_begin:nw *and* \pdfannot_link_goto_end:. *These functions are documented on page 5.*)

\pdfannot_link_ref_last:
\pdfannot_ref_last:

```
175  \cs_new:Nn \pdfannot_link_ref_last: { \__pdf_backend_link_last: }
176  \cs_new:Npn \pdfannot_ref_last:
177    {
178      \bool_if:NTF \g__pdfannot_use_lastlink_bool
179        {
180          \__pdf_backend_link_last:
181        }
182        {
183          \__pdf_backend_annotation_last:
184        }
185    }
```

(*End of definition for* \pdfannot_link_ref_last: *and* \pdfannot_ref_last:. *These functions are documented on page 5.*)

\pdfannot_link_margin:n

```
186  \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_link_margin:n #1
187    {
188      \__pdf_backend_link_margin:n { #1 }
189    }
```

(*End of definition for* \pdfannot_link_margin:n. *This function is documented on page 5.*)

\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn
\pdfannot_dict_put:nne
\pdfannot_dict_remove:nn
fannot_dict_show:n␣␣␣␣␣\pdfannot_dict_use:n

```
190  \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_dict_put:nnn #1 #2 #3
191    {
192      \pdfdict_put:nnn { l__pdfannot/#1 } { #2 }{ #3 }
193    }
194  \cs_generate_variant:Nn \pdfannot_dict_put:nnn {nne,nnx}
```

```
195  \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_dict_remove:nn #1 #2
196    {
197      \pdfdict_remove:nn { l__pdfannot/#1 } { #2 }
198    }
199  \cs_new_protected:Npn \pdfannot_dict_show:n #1
200    {
201      \pdfdict_show:n { l__pdfannot/#1 }
202    }
203
204  \cs_new:Npn \pdfannot_dict_use:n #1
205    {
206      \pdfdict_use:n { l__pdfannot/#1 }
207    }
208  ⟨/package⟩
```

(*End of definition for* `\pdfannot_dict_put:nnn`*,* `\pdfannot_dict_remove:nn`*, and* `\pdfannot_dict_-`
show:n   `\pdfannot_dict_use:n`*. These functions are documented on page 6.*)

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