

The algxpar package*

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Abstract

The `algxpar` packages is an extension of the `algorithmicx` package to handle multiline text with the proper indentation.

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1 Introduction

I teach algorithms and programming and adopted the `algorithmicx` package (`algpseudocode`) to typeset my code, as it provides a clean, easy to read pseudolanguage algorithms with a minimum effort to write.

As part of the teaching process, I use very verbose commands in my algorithms before the students start to use more sintetic text. For example, I use “*Iniciate a counter c with the value 0*”, what will become “ $c \leftarrow 0$ ” later. This leads to sentences that often span the text for multiple lines, specially in two-column documents with nested structures.

Unfortunately, `algorithmicx` has no support for multiline statements natively, but it can adapted to use `\parboxes` to achive this goal.

This package, therefore, extends macros to handle multiple lines in a seamlessly way. Some new commands and features are also added.

2 Instalation

The package `algxpar` is provided by the files `algxpar.ins` and `algxpar.dtx`.

If the `.sty` file is not available, it can be generated by running the following at a command line prompt.

```
latex algxpar.ins
```

Then the generated `algxpar.sty` must be copied to a directory searched by L^AT_EX. Package dependencies can be checked in section 6.

3 Usage

The package must be loaded using

```
\usepackage[options]{algxpar}
```

The only option to the package is `brazilian`, which sets the pseudocode “reserved words” to Brazilian Portuguese, so `\While` is rendered **enquanto** instead of **while**, for example. No other language is supported so far, but a translation can be easily achieved (see section 7).

4 Writing pseudocode

The algorithms must be written using the `algorithmic` environment and use basically the same set of macros defined by `algpseudocode`.

```
\begin{algorithmic}
  \langle contents \rangle
\end{algorithmic}
```

Example

Consider the following code.

```
\begin{algorithmic}
\Function{Max}{$a, b$}
  \If{$a > b$}
    \State{\Return $a$}
  \Else
    \State{\Return $b$}
  \EndIf
\EndFunction
\end{algorithmic}
```

The corresponding typeset is shown below.

```
function MAX( $a, b$ )
  if  $a > b$  then
    return  $a$ 
  else
    return  $b$ 
  end if
end function
```

4.1 Header

A header for the algorithm is proposed so the algorithm can provide a description, its inputs and outputs, as well as the preconditions and post-conditions. Therefore, new macros are defined.

<pre>\Description \Input \Output \Require \Ensure</pre>	<p>A description can be provided for the sake of code documentation. The macro <code>\Description</code> is used to provide such a text. The input requirements for the algorithm uses the clause <code>\Input</code> and the produced by the code should be expressed with <code>\Output</code>. Also, the possibility to use <code>\Require</code> and <code>\Ensure</code> remains.</p>
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Examples

```
\Description Evaluates and prints the factorial of $n$
\Input A non-negative integer number $n$
\Output The value of the factorial $n$
```

Description: Evaluates and prints the factorial of n
Input: A non-negative integer number n
Output: The value of the factorial n

```
\Require $n \in \{1, 2, \ldots, 10\}$
\Ensure $k = \max(1, 2, \ldots, 10)$
```

Require: $n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$
Ensure: $k = \max(1, 2, \dots, 10)$

4.2 Constants and identifiers

<code>\True</code>	Some additional macros were added: <code>\True</code> , <code>\False</code> , and <code>\Nil</code> , producing TRUE,
<code>\False</code>	FALSE, and NIL, respectively.
<code>\Nil</code>	The macro <code>\Id{<id>}</code> was included to support long variable names, such as
<code>\Id</code>	<i>maxval</i> or <i>count</i> , for example. This macro handles better ligatures and ac-
	cented characters than the regular math mode. <code>\$offered\$</code> results in <i>offered</i>
	and <code>\Id{offered}</code> produces <i>offered</i> . With accented characters, <code>\$magnético\$</code> and
	<code>\Id{magnético}</code> result in <i>magnético</i> and <i>magnético</i> , respectively.
<code>\TextString</code>	For literal constants, usually represented quoted in programs and algorithms,
	the macro <code>\TextString{<text>}</code> is provided, so <code>\TextString{Error}</code> produces
	“Error”.
<code>\VisibleSpace</code>	An additional macro called <code>\VisibleSpace</code> is also provided to produce <code>␣</code> .
	Sometimes the number of spaces is relevant in text strings, so one can write
	<code>\TextString{a\VisibleSpace\VisibleSpace\VisibleSpace b}</code> to get “a␣␣␣b”.
	The macros <code>\Id</code> and <code>\TextString</code> work in text and math modes.

4.3 Assignment, reading and writing

<code>\gets</code>	The default symbol for assigning values to variables is \leftarrow , provided by <code>\gets</code> . This
	is a clearer option, once the equal sign is left just for comparisons.
<code>\Read</code>	Although not common in algorithms published in scientific journals, explicit
<code>\Write</code>	reading and writing is necessary for basic algorithms. Therefore <code>\Read</code> and <code>\Write</code>
	fulfills this need.

```
\Statep{\Read\ $a, b$}
\Statep{$s \gets a + b$}
\Statep{\Write\ $$}
```

▷

```

read  $a, b$ 
 $s \leftarrow a + b$ 
write  $s$ 

```

4.4 Comments

Comments use the symbol \triangleright preceding the commented text and stay close to the left margin. Comment macros are intended to be used with `\State` or `\Statex`, when no multiline handling is done. Comments with multiline control are considered starting at section 4.5.

`\Comment` The macro `\Comment{⟨text⟩}` puts `⟨text⟩` at the end of the line.
`\Commentl` A variant, `\Commentl{⟨text⟩}`, places the commented text without moving it to the left margin. It is a “local” comment.
`\CommentIn` A third option is `\CommentIn{⟨text⟩}`, that places the comment locally, but finishes it with \triangleleft . Yes, that is really ugly.

```

\State\Commentl{Simple counter}
\State $c \gets 1\Comment{initialize conter}
\State $n \gets \Call{FirstInstance}{}$
\While{$n < 0$}
  \State $c \gets c + 1\Comment{counts one more}
  \State $n \gets \mbox{\CommentIn{all new} } \Call{NewInstance}{}$
\EndWhile

```

```

 $\triangleright$  Simple counter
 $c \leftarrow 1$   $\triangleright$  initialize conter
 $n \leftarrow \text{FIRSTINSTANCE}()$ 
while  $n < 0$  do
   $c \leftarrow c + 1$   $\triangleright$  counts one more
   $n \leftarrow \triangleright$  all new  $\triangleleft$  NEWINSTANCE()
end while

```

4.5 Statements

`\Statep` The statements should use `\Statep{⟨text⟩}`, which defines a hang indent for continued lines. The `algorithmicx`’s `\State` and `\Statex` can be used as well.

`\State` In opposition to `\State` and `\Statex`, which uses justified text, `\Statep` aligns only to the left, what is aesthetically better than justification in my opinion.

`\Statex` Since `\Statep` uses a `\parbox` to span the text over multiple lines, no room is left for a comment. When needed a comment can be added through the optional argument: `\Statep[⟨comment⟩]{⟨text⟩}`.

Example

```
\Statep{Calculate the value of  $x$  using  $k$  and  $m$ ,  
considering the stochastic distribution}  
\Statep[ $k \neq 0$ ,  $m > k$ ]{Calculate the value of  $x$   
using  $k$  and  $m$ , considering the stochastic distribution}
```

Calculate the value of x using k and m , considering the stochastic distribution

Calculate the value of x using k and m , considering $\triangleright k \neq 0, m > k$ the stochastic distribution

4.6 Conditionals

The traditional **if-then-else** structure is supported, handling nested commands as well. An **else if** construction avoids nesting **ifs** and getting too much indentation. The macros are: `\If`, `\Else`, and `\ElseIf`.

<code>\If</code>	<code>\If[$\langle comment \rangle$]{$\langle condition \rangle$}</code> is used for conditional execution and is ended
<code>\Else</code>	with a <code>\EndIf</code> . The optional $\langle comment \rangle$ is typeset to the left and the $\langle condition \rangle$
	is put in a <code>\parbox</code> . Regular <code>\Comment</code> and <code>\Commentl</code> can be used after <code>\Else</code> .
<code>\ElseIf</code>	The else if clause is specified by <code>\ElseIf[$\langle comment \rangle$]{$\langle condition \rangle$}</code> .
<code>\Switch</code>	Flow control using a selection structure are provided by the macro
<code>\EndSwitch</code>	<code>\Switch[$\langle comment \rangle$]{$\langle selector \rangle$}</code> , ended with <code>\EndSwitch</code> . Each matching clause
<code>\Case</code>	uses <code>\Case[$\langle comment \rangle$]{$\langle value \rangle$}</code> and <code>\EndCase</code> . The default uses <code>\Otherwise</code>
<code>\EndCase</code>	and <code>\EndOtherwise</code> .
<code>\Otherwise</code>	To specify ranges, the macro <code>\Range[$\langle step \rangle$]{$\langle start \rangle$}{$\langle end \rangle$}</code> can be used. For
<code>\EndOtherwise</code>	example, <code>\Range{1}{10}</code> outputs 1..10 and <code>\Range[2]{0}{10}</code> prints 0..10:2.

Examples

```
\If{ $a < 0$ }  
  \Statep{ $a$  \gets 0}  
\EndIf
```

if $a < 0$ **then**
 $a \leftarrow 0$
end if

```
\If[closing doors]{the building is empty and the  
security system is active}  
  \Statep{$\Id{status}$ \gets \TextString{ok}$}  
\Else  
  \Statep{$\Id{status}$ \gets \TextString{not ok}$}
```

\triangleright

\EndIf

if the building is empty and the security system is ▷ *closing doors*
 active **then**
 $status \leftarrow \text{“ok”}$
else
 $status \leftarrow \text{“not ok”}$
end if

\If[desired status]{ $n \geq 0.8$ }
 \Statep{\$\Id{status}\$ \gets \TextString{excelent}\$}
\ElsIf{\$n \geq 0.7\$}
 \Statep{\$\Id{status}\$ \gets \TextString{great}\$}
\ElsIf{\$n \geq 0.5\$}
 \Statep{\$\Id{status}\$ \gets \TextString{good}\$}
\ElsIf{\$n \geq 0.2\$}
 \Statep{\$\Id{status}\$ \gets \TextString{not so good}\$}
\Else\Comment{minimum not achieved}
 \Statep{\$\Id{status}\$ \gets \TextString{call for help}\$}
\EndIf

if $n \geq 0.8$ **then** ▷ *desired status*
 $status \leftarrow \text{“excellent”}$
else if $n \geq 0.7$ **then**
 $status \leftarrow \text{“great”}$
else if $n \geq 0.5$ **then**
 $status \leftarrow \text{“good”}$
else if $n \geq 0.2$ **then**
 $status \leftarrow \text{“not so good”}$
else ▷ *minimum not achieved*
 $status \leftarrow \text{“call for help”}$
end if

\Switch[\$1 \leq \Id{month} \leq 12\$]{\Id{month}}
 \Case{2}
 \If{\Call{IsLeapYear}{\Id{year}}}
 \Statep{\$n_{\text{days}}\$ \gets 29\$}
 \Else
 \Statep{\$n_{\text{days}}\$ \gets 28\$}
 \EndIf
 \EndCase
 \Case{4, 6, 9, 11}
 \Statep{\$n_{\text{days}}\$ \gets 30\$}
 \EndCase

▷

```

\Otherwise\Comment{1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12}
\Statep{$n_{\text{days}} \text{ \texttt{gets} } 31$}
\EndOtherwise
\EndSwitch

```

```

switch month of
  case 2 do
    if ISLEAPYEAR(year) then
       $n_{\text{days}} \leftarrow 29$ 
    else
       $n_{\text{days}} \leftarrow 28$ 
    end if
  end case
  case 4, 6, 9, 11 do
     $n_{\text{days}} \leftarrow 30$ 
  end case
  otherwise do
     $n_{\text{days}} \leftarrow 31$ 
  end otherwise
end switch

```

$\triangleright 1 \leq \textit{month} \leq 12$

$\triangleright 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12$

4.7 Loops

Loops uses **while**, **repeat until**, and **for** flow control.

<code>\While</code> <code>\EndWhile</code> <code>\Repeat</code> <code>\Until</code> <code>\For</code> <code>\ForAll</code> <code>\ForEach</code> <code>\To</code> <code>\DownTo</code> <code>\Step</code>	<p>Loops with condition on top uses <code>\While[<i>comment</i>]{<i>condition</i>}</code> and are ended with <code>\EndWhile</code>.</p> <p>When loops have their termination condition tested at the bottom, the macros <code>\Repeat</code> and <code>\Until[<i>comment</i>]{<i>condition</i>}</code> are used.</p> <p>The for loop starts with <code>\For[<i>comment</i>]{<i>condition</i>}</code> and ends with <code>\EndFor</code>. To make things more versatile, <code>\For</code> can be replaced by <code>\ForAll</code> or <code>\ForEach</code>.</p> <p>Some macros for supporting loops are also provided: <code>\To</code>, <code>\DownTo</code>, and <code>\Step</code>, which defaults to to, downto, and step, respectively.</p>
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Examples

```

\While{there is data in the input stream and no
  termination signal was received}
  \Statep{Get element $$ from the input stream}
  \Statep{\Call{Process}{$$}}
\EndWhile

```

\triangleright

```

while there is data in the input stream and no termination signal was
    received do
    Get element  $e$  from the input stream
    PROCESS( $e$ )
end while

```

```

\Statep[$n_1, n_2 > 0$]{Let  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ 
be the two integers in order to find the greatest
number that divides both}
\Repeat
  \Statep[$n_1 \bmod n_2$]{Set  $\text{Id}\{\text{rest}\}$  as the
    rest of the integer
    division of  $n_1$  by  $n_2$ }
  \Statep{Redefine  $n_1$  with the value of  $n_2$ }
  \Statep{Redefine  $n_2$  with the value of  $\text{Id}\{\text{rest}\}$ }
\Until[terminates]{ $\text{Id}\{\text{rest}\} = 0$ }
\Statep[greatest common divisor]{Set  $m$  to the value of  $n_1$ }

```

```

Let  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  be the two integers in order to find the   ▷  $n_1, n_2 > 0$ 
greatest number that divides both
repeat
  Set  $\text{rest}$  as the rest of the integer division of  $n_1$  by   ▷  $n_1 \bmod n_2$ 
   $n_2$ 
  Redefine  $n_1$  with the value of  $n_2$ 
  Redefine  $n_2$  with the value of  $\text{rest}$ 
until  $\text{rest} = 0$                                            ▷ terminates
Set  $m$  to the value of  $n_1$                                    ▷ greatest common divi-
                                                             sor

```

```

\For{$i \text{ gets } n-1$ \DownTo\ $0$}
  \Statep{$s \text{ gets } s + i$}
\EndFor

```

```

for  $i \leftarrow n - 1$  downto 0 do
   $s \leftarrow s + i$ 
end for

```

```

\ForEach[main transactions]{transaction  $t$  in the flow
of transactions for month  $m$ }
  \Statep{\Call{ProcessTransaction}{ $t$ }}
\EndFor

```

▷

```

for each transaction  $t$  in the flow of transac-    ▷ main transactions
    tions for month  $m$  do
    PROCESSTRANSACTION( $t$ )
end for

```

```

\ForAll{ $e$  in set  $M$ }
    \State{\Call{ProcessElement}{ $e$ }}
\EndFor

```

```

for all  $e$  in set  $M$  do
    PROCESSELEMENT( $e$ )
end for

```

4.8 Procedures and functions

\Procedure Procedure and functions are supported with \Procedure{ $\langle name \rangle$ }{ $\langle arguments \rangle$ }
 \EndProcedure and \EndProcedure and \Function{ $\langle name \rangle$ }{ $\langle arguments \rangle$ } and \EndFunction.
 \Function The return value for functions use \Return.
 \EndFunction
 \Return

Examples

```

\Procedure{PrintError}{ $code$ }
    \Switch{ $code$ }
        \Case{1}
            \State{\Write\ \TextString{Not found}}
        \EndCase
        \Case{2}
            \State{\Write\ \TextString{Access denied}}
        \EndCase
        \Case{3}
            \State{\Write\ \TextString{Blocked}}
        \EndCase
        \Otherwise
            \State{\Write\ \TextString{Unknown}}
        \EndOtherwise
    \EndSwitch
\EndProcedure

```

```

procedure PRINTERROR( $code$ )
    switch  $code$  of
        case 1 do
            write "Not found"
        end case

```

▷

```

    case 2 do
        write "Access denied"
    end case
    case 3 do
        write "Blocked"
    end case
    otherwise do
        write "Unknown"
    end otherwise
end switch
end procedure

```

```

\Function{CelsiusToFahrenheit}{t$}
  \Statep{\Return $\dfrac{9}{5}t + 32$}
\EndFunction

```

```

function CELSIUSTOFAHRENHEIT( $t$ )
  return  $\frac{9}{5}t + 32$ 
end function

```

```

\Function[many parameters]{MyFunction}
  {$a$, $b$, $c$, $d$, $e$, $f$, $g$, $h$, $i$, $j$, $k$, $l$}
  \Statep{\Return $\dfrac{a+b+c+d}{f+g+hi^{\sim{j}}}$kl$}
\EndFunction

```

```

function MYFUNCTION( $a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l$ )
   $\triangleright$  many parameters
  return  $\frac{a+b+c+d}{f+g+hi^j}kl$ 
end function

```

5 Extras

\NewLine Sometimes just letting the **\parbox** handle the line breaks is not enough. The macro **\NewLine** can be used to manually break lines.

DefineCode It is possible to define pieces of code for later use. Using the environment **\UseCode** **DefineCode** with a $\langle name \rangle$, a part of the pseudocode can be specified and used with **\UseCode** $\{\langle name \rangle\}$. The $\langle name \rangle$ provided should be unique; when repeated the code is overwritten. The macro **\ShowCode** $[\langle options \rangle]\{\langle name \rangle\}$ displays the saved code *verbatim*. Any option for **\VerbatimInput** from **fancyvrb** can be specified in $\langle options \rangle$. All chunks of code are written to temporary files.

Examples

```
\If{ $h > 0$  and\NewLine
      ( $n_1 \neq 0$  or  $n_2 < n_1$ ) and \NewLine
       $p \neq \text{Nil}$ }
  \Statep{\Call{DoSomething}{}}
\Else
  \Statep{\Call{DoSomethingElse}{}}
\EndIf
```

```
if  $h > 0$  and
  ( $n_1 \neq 0$  or  $n_2 < n_1$ ) and
   $p \neq \text{NIL}$  then
  DOSOMETHING()
else
  DOSOMETHINGELSE()
end if
```

```
\begin{DefineCode}{half_in_out}
  \Input A number  $n$ 
  \Output Half of  $n$  (i.e.,  $n/2$ )
\end{DefineCode}
\begin{DefineCode}{half_code}
  \Statep[in]{Get  $n$ }
  \Statep[out]{Print  $n/2$ }
\end{DefineCode}
```

Inside algorithmic one can use the following definitions.

```
\UseCode{half_in_out}
\Statep{\Comment1{Code}}
\UseCode{half_code}
```

Input: A number n

Output: Half of n (i.e., $n/2$)

▷ *Code*

Get n

Print $n/2$

▷ *in*

▷ *out*

The source is shown by `\ShowCode{half_code}`.

```
\Statep[in]{Get  $n$ }
\Statep[out]{Print  $n/2$ }
```

6 Implementation

This package is algxpar v0.9 – L^AT_EX 2_ε.

```

1 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}[2005/12/01]
2 \ProvidesPackage{algxpar}
3 [2019/10/24 v0.9 Algorithms with multiline/paragraph support]

4 \newif\ifexp@brazilian\exp@brazilianfalse
5 \DeclareOption{brazilian}{\exp@braziliantrue}
6 \DeclareOption*{\PackageWarning{algxpar}{Unknown ‘\CurrentOption’}}
7 \ProcessOptions\relax

   ragged2e: for \RaggedRight
   listings: to get accented characters in verbatim mode (pt_BR)
   amsmath, amssymb: for \triangleright and \triangleleft
   xcolor: gray color for \VisibleSpace
   tcolorbox: verbatim save to file
   fancyvrb: verbatim read from file with tabs

8 \RequirePackage{algorithmicx}
9 \RequirePackage{algpseudocode}
10 \RequirePackage{ragged2e}
11 \RequirePackage{listings}
12 \RequirePackage{amsmath, amssymb}
13 \RequirePackage{xcolor}
14 \RequirePackage{tcolorbox} % to save verbatim
15 \RequirePackage{fancyvrb} % to load verbatim preserving tabs

\True
\False 16 \algnewcommand\algorithmictrue{\textsc{True}}
\Nil    17 \algnewcommand\algorithmicfalse{\textsc{False}}
\Id     18 \algnewcommand\algorithmicnil{\textsc{Nil}}
\TextString 19 \algnewcommand\True{\mbox{\algorithmictrue}}
\VisibleSpace 20 \algnewcommand\False{\mbox{\algorithmicfalse}}
        21 \algnewcommand\Nil{\mbox{\algorithmicnil}}
        22 \newcommand{\Id}[1]{\mbox{\textit{\rmfamily #1}}}
        23 \newcommand{\TextString}[1]{\textrm{\normalfont‘‘{\ttfamily\mbox{#1}}’’}}
        24 \algnewcommand{\VisibleSpace}{\textrm{\color{black!70}\textvisiblespace}}

\Description
  \Input 25 \algnewcommand\algorithmicdescription{\textbf{Description}}
  \Output 26 \algnewcommand\algorithmicinput{\textbf{Input}}
  \Ensure 27 \algnewcommand\algorithmicoutput{\textbf{Output}}
  \Require 28 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicensure{\textbf{Ensure}}
          29 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicrequire{\textbf{Require}}
          30 \algnewcommand\Description{\item[\algorithmicdescription:]}
          31 \algnewcommand\Input{\item[\algorithmicinput:]}
          32 \algnewcommand\Output{\item[\algorithmicoutput:]}
          33 \algrenewcommand\Ensure{\item[\algorithmicensure:]}
          34 \algrenewcommand\Require{\item[\algorithmicrequire:]}

```

```

\Read
\Write 35 \alnewcommand{\algorithmicread}{\textbf{read}}
36 \alnewcommand{\algorithmicwrite}{\textbf{write}}
37 \alnewcommand{\Read}{\algorithmicread}
38 \alnewcommand{\Write}{\algorithmicwrite}

\Comment
\Commentl 39 \newcommand{\axp@commentleftsymbol}{\triangleright}
\CommentIn 40 \newcommand{\axp@commentrightsymbol}{\triangleleft}
41 \alnewcommand{\CommentIn}[1]{\axp@commentleftsymbol~
42 \textsl{#1}~\axp@commentrightsymbol}
43 \alnewcommand{\Commentl}[1]{\axp@commentleftsymbol~\textsl{#1}}
44 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmiccomment}[1]{%
45 \def\tmp{#1}%
46 \ifx\tmp\empty\else%
47 \hfill\Commentl{#1}%
48 \fi
49 }

\Statep
50 \newlength{\axp@stateindent}
51 \setlength{\axp@stateindent}{\dimexpr\algorithmicindent/2\relax}
52 \alnewcommand{\Statep}[2][\State\alparbox{#1}{#2}]{\axp@stateindent}%

\While
\EndWhile 53 \newlength{\axp@whilewidth}
54 \algblockdefx{While}{EndWhile}%
55 [2][{%
56 \settowidth{\axp@whilewidth}{\algorithmicwhile\ }%
57 \alparbox{#1}{\algorithmicwhile\ #2~\algorithmicdo}{\axp@whilewidth}%
58 }%
59 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicwhile}

\Repeat
\Until 60 \newlength{\axp@untilwidth}
61 \algblockdefx{Repeat}{Until}%
62 {\algorithmicrepeat}%
63 [2][{%
64 \settowidth{\axp@untilwidth}{\algorithmicuntil\ }%
65 \axp@alparbox{#1}{\algorithmicuntil\ #2}{\axp@untilwidth}{0}%
66 }

\If
\Else 67 \newlength{\axp@ifwidth}
\ElseIf 68 \newlength{\axp@elseifwidth}
\EndIf 69 \algblockdefx{If}{If}{EndIf}%
70 [2][{%
71 \settowidth{\axp@ifwidth}{\algorithmicif\ }%
72 \alparbox{#1}{\algorithmicif\ #2~\algorithmicthen}{\axp@ifwidth}%

```

```

73 }
74 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicif}
75 \algcblockx{If}{If}{ElsIf}{EndIf}
76 [2] []{%
77 \settowidth{\axp@elseifwidth}{\algorithmicelse\ \algorithmicif\ }%
78 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicelse~\algorithmicif\ #2~\algorithmicthen}{\axp@elseifwidth}%
79 }
80 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicif}
81 \algcblockx{If}{Else}{EndIf}
82 {\textbf{\algorithmicelse}}
83 {\textbf{\algorithmicend~\algorithmicif}}

\Switch
\EndSwitch 84 \algnewcommand{\algorithmicswitch}{\textbf{switch}}
\Case 85 \algnewcommand{\algorithmicof}{\textbf{of}}
\EndCase 86 \algnewcommand{\algorithmiccase}{\textbf{case}}
\Otherwise 87 \algnewcommand{\algorithmicotherwise}{\textbf{otherwise}}
\EndOtherwise 88 \newlength{\axp@switchwidth}
\Range 89 \algblockdefx{Switch}{EndSwitch}%
90 [2] []{%
91 \settowidth{\axp@switchwidth}{\algorithmicswitch\ }%
92 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicswitch\ #2~\algorithmicof}{\axp@switchwidth}%
93 }
94 {\algorithmicend~\algorithmicswitch}
95 \newlength{\axp@casewidth}
96 \algblockdefx{Case}{EndCase}%
97 [2] []{%
98 \settowidth{\axp@casewidth}{\algorithmiccase\ }%
99 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmiccase\ #2~\algorithmicdo}{\axp@casewidth}%
100 }
101 {\algorithmicend~\algorithmiccase}
102 \algblockdefx{Otherwise}{EndOtherwise}%
103 {\algorithmicotherwise~\algorithmicdo}%
104 {\textbf{\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicotherwise}}
105 \newcommand{\Range}[3] []{%
106 \ensuremath{%
107 #2%
108 \def\temp{#1}%
109 \mathcal{\ldotp\ldotp}\#3
110 \ifx\temp\empty\relax\else\ensuremath{\mathcal{:}\#1}}\fi%
111 }%
112 }

\For
\ForEch 113 \algnewcommand{\To}{\textbf{to}}
\ForAll 114 \algnewcommand{\DownTo}{\textbf{downto}}
\EndFor 115 \algnewcommand{\Step}{\textbf{step}}
\To 116 \newlength{\axp@forwidth}
\DownTo 117 \algblockdefx{For}{EndFor}%
\Step 118 [2] []{%

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119 \settowidth{\axp@forwidth}{\algorithmicfor\ }%
120 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicfor\ #2~\algorithmicdo}{\axp@forwidth}%
121 }
122 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicfor}
123 \algnewcommand{\algorithmicforeach}{\textbf{for~each}}
124 \newlength{\axp@foreachwidth}
125 \algblockdefx{ForEach}{EndFor}%
126 [2] []{%
127 \settowidth{\axp@foreachwidth}{\algorithmicforeach\ }%
128 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicforeach\ #2~\algorithmicdo}{\axp@foreachwidth}%
129 }
130 {\algorithmicend\~\algorithmicfor}
131 \newlength{\axp@forallwidth}
132 \algblockdefx{ForAll}{EndFor}%
133 [2] []{%
134 \settowidth{\axp@forallwidth}{\algorithmicforall\ }%
135 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicforall\ #2~\algorithmicdo}{\axp@forallwidth}%
136 }%
137 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicfor}

\Procedure
\EndProcedure 138 \newlength{\axp@procedurewidth}
\Function 139 \newlength{\axp@namewidth}
\EndFunction 140 \algblockdefx{Procedure}{EndProcedure}%
\Call 141 [3] []{%
142 \settowidth{\axp@procedurewidth}{\algorithmicprocedure~}%
143 \settowidth{\axp@namewidth}{\textsc{#2}()}%
144 \addtolength{\axp@procedurewidth}{0.6\axp@namewidth}%
145 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicprocedure\ \textsc{#2}(\#3)}{\axp@procedurewidth}
146 }%
147 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicprocedure}
148 \newlength{\axp@functionwidth}
149 \algblockdefx{Function}{EndFunction}%
150 [3] []{%
151 \settowidth{\axp@functionwidth}{\algorithmicfunction~}%
152 \settowidth{\axp@namewidth}{\textsc{#2}()}%
153 \addtolength{\axp@functionwidth}{0.6\axp@namewidth}%
154 \algpabox[#1]{\algorithmicfunction\ \textsc{#2}(\#3)}{\axp@functionwidth}
155 }%
156 {\algorithmicend\ \algorithmicfunction}
157 \algrenewcommand\Call[2]{%
158 \def\argstmp{#2}%
159 \textsc{#1}\ifx\argstmp\empty\mbox{(\hskip0.5ex)}\else(\#2)\fi%
160 }

\NewLine
161 \newcommand{\NewLine}{\\}

DefineCode
\UseCode
\ShowCode

```



```

162 \newenvironment{DefineCode}[1]
163 {\begingroup\tcbverbatimwrite{\jobname_code_#1.tmp}}
164 {\endtcverbatimwrite\endgroup}
165 \newcommand{\UseCode}[1]{\input{\jobname_code_#1.tmp}}
166 \newcommand{\ShowCode}[2][]{\small\VerbatimInput[tabsize=4, #1]%
167 {\jobname_code_#2.tmp}}

\alglinenumber

168 \algrenewcommand{\alglinenumber}[1]%
169 {\hspace{-1em}\color{black!35}\scriptsize#1{\tiny$\blacktriangleright$}}

\axp@algpabox

170 \newlength{\axp@commentwidth}
171 \setlength{\axp@commentwidth}{0pt}
172 \newcommand{\algpabox}[3][]{\axp@algpabox{#1}{#2}{#3}{1}}
173
174 \newlength{\axp@largestcommentwidth}
175 \setlength{\axp@largestcommentwidth}{0.3\linewidth}
176 \newcommand{\axp@algpabox}[4]{%
177 \def\temp{#1}%
178 \ifx\temp\empty%
179 \setlength{\axp@commentwidth}{-2em}%
180 \else%
181 \settowidth{\axp@commentwidth}{\axp@commentleftsymbol\ #1}%
182 \ifdim\axp@commentwidth>\axp@largestcommentwidth\relax%
183 \setlength{\axp@commentwidth}{\axp@largestcommentwidth}%
184 \fi%
185 \fi%
186 \renewcommand{\NewLine}{\\hspace{#3}}%
187 \parbox[t]{\dimexpr\linewidth-\axp@commentwidth-
188 (\algorithmicindent)*(\theALG@nested - #4)-2em}%
189 {\RaggedRight\setlength{\hangindent}{#3}\strut}%
190 \ifx\temp\empty\else%
191 \hfill\axp@commentleftsymbol\hspace{0.5em}%
192 \parbox[t]{\axp@commentwidth}{\slshape\RaggedRight#1}%
193 \fi%
194 \renewcommand{\NewLine}{\\}%
195 }

196 \lstset{
197 literate=
198 {á}{\a}1 {é}{\e}1 {í}{\i}1 {ó}{\o}1 {ú}{\u}1
199 {Á}{\A}1 {É}{\E}1 {Í}{\I}1 {Ó}{\O}1 {Ü}{\U}1
200 {à}{\a}1 {ê}{\e}1 {ì}{\i}1 {ô}{\o}1 {û}{\u}1
201 {À}{\A}1 {Ê}{\E}1 {Î}{\I}1 {Ô}{\O}1 {Û}{\U}1
202 {ä}{\a}1 {ë}{\e}1 {ï}{\i}1 {ö}{\o}1 {ü}{\u}1
203 {ã}{\a}1 {ø}{\o}1
204 {Ã}{\A}1 {Ö}{\O}1
205 {Ä}{\A}1 {Ë}{\E}1 {Ï}{\I}1 {Ö}{\O}1 {Ü}{\U}1
206 {ä}{\a}1 {ë}{\e}1 {ï}{\i}1 {ö}{\o}1 {ü}{\u}1

```

```

207 {\^A}{\^A}}1 {\^E}{\^E}}1 {\^I}{\^I}}1 {\^O}{\^O}}1 {\^U}{\^U}}1
208 {\c}{\c}}1 {\C}{\C}}1
209 {\o}{\o}}1 {\a}{\a}}1 {\A}{\A}}1
210 {\oe}{\oe}}1 {\OE}{\OE}}1 {\ae}{\ae}}1 {\AE}{\AE}}1
211 {\ss}{\ss}}1
212 {\H}{\H}}1 {\U}{\U}}1 {\o}{\o}}1 {\O}{\O}}1
213 {\pounds}{\pounds}}1
214 {\guillemotleft}{\guillemotleft}}1
215 {\guillemotright}{\guillemotright}}1
216 {\~n}{\~n}}1 {\~N}{\~N}}1 {\_}{\_}}1
217 }

```

7 Customization

By default, the longest width for a comment at the right margin is `0.3\linewidth`. This can be changed using something like the code below.

```

\makeatletter
\setlength{\axp@largestcommentwidth}{new length}
\makeatother

```

The assignment sign can be changed from \leftarrow to anything else, as well as the symbols used in comments.

```

\renewcommand{\gets}{\mathop{:=}}
\renewcommand{\axp@commentleftsymbol}{\texttt{//}}
\renewcommand{\axp@commentrightsymbol}{\texttt{*/}}

```

The translation to Brazilian Portugues is straight forward.

```

218 \ifx\axp@brazilian
219 \RequirePackage{icomma} % comma as decimal separator
220 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicdescription{\textbf{Descrição}}
221 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicinput{\textbf{Entrada}}
222 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicoutput{\textbf{Saída}}
223 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicrequire{\textbf{Pré}}
224 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicensure{\textbf{Pós}}
225 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicend{\textbf{fim}}
226 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicif{\textbf{se}}
227 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicthen{\textbf{então}}
228 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicelse{\textbf{senão}}
229 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicswitch{\textbf{escolha}}
230 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicof{\textbf{de}}
231 \algrenewcommand\algorithmiccase{\textbf{caso}}
232 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicotherwise{\textbf{caso~contrário}}
233 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicfor{\textbf{para}}
234 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicdo{\textbf{faça}}
235 \algrenewcommand\algorithmicwhile{\textbf{enquanto}}

```

```

236 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicforall}{\textbf{para cada}}
237 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicrepeat}{\textbf{repita}}
238 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicuntil}{\textbf{até que}}
239 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicloop}{\textbf{repita}}
240 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicforeach}{\textbf{para~cada}}
241 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicforall}{\textbf{para~todo}}
242 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicfunction}{\textbf{função}}
243 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicprocedure}{\textbf{procedimento}}
244 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicreturn}{\textbf{retorne}}
245 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmictrue}{\textsc{Verdadeiro}}
246 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicfalse}{\textsc{Falso}}
247 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicnil}{\textsc{Nulo}}
248 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicread}{\textbf{leia}}
249 \algrenewcommand{\algorithmicwrite}{\textbf{escreva}}
250 \algrenewcommand{\To}{\textbf{até}}
251 \algrenewcommand{\DownTo}{\textbf{decrecente~até}}
252 \algrenewcommand{\Step}{\textbf{passo}}
253 \fi

```

8 To do...

There are lots of improvements to make in the code. I recognize it!

Appendix

A An example

```

\Description Inserts a new item in the B-tree structure,
             handling only the root node
\Input The \Id{item} to be inserted
\Output Returns \True\ in case of success, \False\ in
         case of failure (i.e., duplicated keys)
\Function{Insert}{\Id{item}}
\If{\Id{tree.root address} is \Nil}
\State{\Comment{Create first node}}
\State[\Nil\ = new node]{\Id{new root node}
\gets \Call{GetNode}{\Nil}}
\State[only item]{Insert \Id{item} in \Id{new
root node} and set both its left and right
childs to \Nil; also set \Id{new root
node.count} to 1}
\State[first node is always a leaf]{Set \Id{new
root node.type} to \Leaf}
\State[flag that node must be updated in file]
{Set \Id{new root node.modified} to \True}

```

▷

```

\Statep{\Call{WriteNode}{\Id{new root node}}}
\Statep{\Id{tree.root address} \gets
  \Id{new root node.address}}
\Statep[update root address in file]
  {\Call{WriteRootAddress}{}}
\Statep{\Return \True}
\Else
\Statep{\Commentl{Insert in existing tree}}
\Statep[]{\Id{success}$,
  $\Id{promoted item}$, $\Id{new node address} \gets
    \Call{SearchInsert}{\Id{tree.root address},
      \Id{item}}}$}
\If[root has splitted]{\Id{success} and
  ${\Id{new node address}}\neq\Nil}$}
\Statep[new root]{${\Id{new root node}} \gets
  \Call{GetNode}{\Nil}}$}
\Statep{Insert \Id{promoted item} in \Id{new
  root node} and set \Id{new root node.count}
  to 1}
\Statep[tree height grows]{Set \Id{item}'s
  left child to \Id{tree.root
  address} and right child to \Id{new
  node address}}
\Statep[not a leaf]{Set \Id{new root
  node.type} to \Internal}
\Statep{Set \Id{new root node.modified}
  to \True}
\Statep{\Call{WriteNode}{\Id{new root
  node}}}}
\Statep{\Id{tree.root address} \gets
  \Id{new root node.address}}
\Statep[update root address in
  file]{\Call{WriteRootAddress}{}}
\EndIf
\Statep[insertion status]{\Return \Id{success}}
\EndIf
\EndFunction

```

Description: Inserts a new item in the B-tree structure, handling only the root node

Input: The *item* to be inserted

Output: Returns TRUE in case of success, FALSE in case of failure (i.e., duplicated keys)

function INSERT(*item*)

if *tree.root address* is NIL **then**

 ▷ Create first node

▷

```

    new root node  $\leftarrow$  GETNODE(NIL)  $\triangleright$  NIL = new node
    Insert item in new root node and set both  $\triangleright$  only item
        its left and right childs to NIL; also set
        new root node.count to 1
    Set new root node.type to LEAF  $\triangleright$  first node is always a
        leaf
    Set new root node.modified to TRUE  $\triangleright$  flag that node must be
        updated in file
    WRITENODE(new root node)
    tree.root address  $\leftarrow$  new root node.address
    WRITEROOTADDRESS( )  $\triangleright$  update root address in
        file
    return TRUE
else
     $\triangleright$  Insert in existing tree
    success, promoted item, new node address  $\leftarrow$ 
        SEARCHINSERT(tree.root address, item)
    if success and  $\triangleright$  root has splitted
        new node address  $\neq$  NIL then
            new root node  $\leftarrow$  GETNODE(NIL)  $\triangleright$  new root
            Insert promoted item in new root node and set
                new root node.count to 1
            Set item's left child to  $\triangleright$  tree height grows
                tree.root address and right child to
                new node address
            Set new root node.type to INTERNAL  $\triangleright$  not a leaf
            Set new root node.modified to TRUE
            WRITENODE(new root node)
            tree.root address  $\leftarrow$  new root node.address
            WRITEROOTADDRESS( )  $\triangleright$  update root address in
                file
        end if
    return success  $\triangleright$  insertion status
end if
end function

```

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