The jmsdelim package

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1 Overview

Sizing delimiters using \left and \right should be outlawed! The results are nearly always unaesthetic, primarily because the correct size of a mathematical delimiter is a typesetting consideration which does *not* emanate from the physical size of the interior.

Correctly sizing delimiters is very difficult, particularly in well-architected documents: a correctly engineered mathematical document will include macros for all operations, and these macros necessarily will include delimiters (such as parentheses). However, the correct size for the delimiter cannot be chosen ahead of time, because it will depend on the arguments; two options are available:

- 1. Provide optional arguments to each notation macro for choosing delimiter sizes. This is nearly intractable to do in practice.
- 2. Ignore delimiter sizes.

With jmsdelim we offer an alternative: the correct delimiter sizes can be set at the *leaf* nodes of a mathematical expression, and magically bubble upward through the delimiters.

1.1 Document interface

\DelimMin

```
\Delta \left( \inf \left( \inf \left( \inf \right) \right) \right)
```

This sets the minimum delimiter size to $\langle intexpr_{min} \rangle$ outside the current location; delimiter sizes are represented as natural numbers, with 0 the smallest size.

\DelimMin is the work-horse of jmsdelim; let us consider an example of what one might do prior to adopting jmsdelim. Suppose we have defined a macro \Psh for the free co-completion, following the notation of the French school, and we wish to parenthesize an instance of it:

```
\label{eq:local_command_cat} $$ \end{Cat} \ \end{Cat} $$ \end{Cat} $$ \end{Cat}. $$
```

One might have tried to get a better result by using \left and \right:

```
\label{eq:local_common_cat} $$ \end{cat} $$ $$ \end{cat} $$ \end{cat
```

The above is hugely worse: the height of the hat does not in any way determine the correct size for the delimiter! The solution using jmsdelim is quite simple, however: first, we change \Hom to call \DelimPrn, and then we use \DelimMin within the \Psh notation.

\DelimBump

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This increases the minimum delimiter size by one outside the current location. This can be used to achieve a readable notation for cuts in sequent calculus as in Munch-Maccagnoni [Mun13; Mun17], for instance:

```
\label{eq:limbular_command_cut_mm} $$ \end{cases} $$ \end{cases}
```

1.2 Basic Delimiter commands

Like mleftright [Obe16], jmsdelim ensures the correct amount of space on the outside of the delimiters using \mathopen and \mathclose.

\DelimSurround

 $\label{lem:lemsurround} $$\operatorname{DelimSurround}_{\langle \operatorname{left}\rangle}_{\langle \operatorname{right}\rangle}_{\langle \operatorname{body}\rangle}$$$

Surrounds (body) with appropriately sized (left) and (right) delimiters respectively.

 $\verb|\DelimBetween \ \DelimSurround{$\langle sep \rangle$} {\langle lbody \rangle} {\langle rbody \rangle}$

Places an appropriately sized (sep) between (lbody) and (rbody).

\DelimBetweenSurround

 $\label{lem:lemsurround} $$\operatorname{DelimSurround}(\left(\frac{1}{\operatorname{Sep}}\right)_{(\operatorname{right})}_{(\operatorname{body})}_{(\operatorname{body})_{$

Places an appropriately sized $\langle sep \rangle$ between $\langle lbody \rangle$ and $\langle rbody \rangle$, surrounding the result by $\langle left \rangle$ and $\langle right \rangle$ respectively.

1.3 Derived delimiter commands

Surrounds $\langle \mathsf{body} \rangle$ in parentheses.

Surrounds $\langle \mathsf{body} \rangle$ in square brackets.

 $\DelimBrc \DelimBrc{\langle body \rangle}$

Surrounds (body) in curly braces.

 $\DelimGl \DelimGl{\langle body \rangle}$

Surrounds (body) in angle brackets.

 $\DelimBbrk \DelimBbrk{\langle body \rangle}$

Surrounds (body) in Scott brackets (requires \llbracket, \rrbracket to be defined).

1.4 Configuration and options

jmsdelim can be customized along a few axes.

size_commands

The option size commands is a comma-separated list which contains a list of sizing commands for delimiters, from smallest to largest.

1.5 Interface for macro authors

The internals of jmsdelim are implemented in expl3.

jmsdelim_scope:nn

 $jmsdelim_scope:nn \{\langle pre \rangle\} \{\langle post \rangle\}$

This is the fundamental control structure for authors of custom delimiting commands; $\langle pre \rangle$ is a block of code that renders things to temporary boxes, and $\{\langle post \rangle\}$ is code that uses these boxes, placing them relative to some delimiters. The function of $\jmsdelim_scope:nn$ is to watch for the delimiter size and bumping state updates induced by $\langle pre \rangle$, and set the delimiter size commands correctly before executing $\langle post \rangle$. Both $\langle pre \rangle$ and $\langle post \rangle$ are to be executed in the same block level.

jmsdelim_size_cmd:

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This command is meant to be used inside the $\langle post \rangle$ block of $jmsdelim_scope:nn$ to set the size of a given delimiter; it behaves like big, etc.

jmsdelim_surround:nnn

 $jmsdelim_surround:nnn {\langle left \rangle} {\langle right \rangle} {\langle body \rangle}$

This routine surrounds $\langle body \rangle$ with the delimiters $\langle left \rangle$ and $\langle right \rangle$ of the appropriate size respectively.

jmsdelim_between:nnn

 $jmsdelim_between:nnn {\langle sep \rangle} {\langle lbody \rangle} {\langle rbody \rangle}$

This routine separates $\langle 1body \rangle$ and $\langle rbody \rangle$ with a separator $\langle sep \rangle$ of the appropriate size.

jmsdelim_between:nnnnn

 $jmsdelim_between:nnnnn \ \{\langle left \rangle\} \ \{\langle right \rangle\} \ \{\langle lbody \rangle\} \ \{\langle rbody \rangle\}$

This routine separates $\langle 1body \rangle$ and $\langle rbody \rangle$ with a separator $\langle sep \rangle$ of the appropriate size, and surrounds the result by $\langle 1eft \rangle$ and $\langle right \rangle$ respectively of the same size.

2 Extended example from perfectcut

The following states the idempotency of an adjunction:

$$\left\langle t \parallel \tilde{\mu}x. \left\langle \mu\alpha. \left\langle u \parallel e \right\rangle \parallel e' \right\rangle \right\rangle = \left\langle \mu\alpha. \left\langle t \parallel \tilde{\mu}x. \left\langle u \parallel e \right\rangle \right\rangle \parallel e' \right\rangle$$

The following states the commutativity of a strong monad:

$$\left\langle t \parallel \tilde{\mu}x. \left\langle u \parallel \tilde{\mu}y. \left\langle v \parallel e \right\rangle \right\rangle \right\rangle = \left\langle u \parallel \tilde{\mu}y. \left\langle t \parallel \tilde{\mu}x. \left\langle v \parallel e \right\rangle \right\rangle \right\rangle$$

Using \underline to mark redexes:

$$\begin{split} &\delta(V,x.y,x.y) \\ &= \mu \star . \left\langle V \parallel \left[\tilde{\mu} x. \underline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \mid \tilde{\mu} x. \underline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \right] \right\rangle \\ &= \mu \star . \left\langle V \parallel \left[\tilde{\mu} x. \overline{\langle \iota_1(x) \parallel \tilde{\mu} z. \overline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \rangle} \mid \tilde{\mu} x. \overline{\langle \iota_2(x) \parallel \tilde{\mu} z. \overline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \rangle} \right] \right\rangle \\ &= \mu \star . \overline{\langle V \parallel \tilde{\mu} z. \overline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \rangle} \\ &= \mu \star . \overline{\langle y \parallel \star \rangle} \\ &= y \end{split}$$

```
\ignoremathstyle
\NewDocumentCommand\Cut{mm}{%
  \NewDocumentCommand\Case{mm}{%
  \DelimBetweenSurround{[}{\vert}{]}{#1}{#2}%
The following states the idempotency of an adjunction:
\label{total} $$ \operatorname{t}{\mathbf x.}\operatorname{u}_{e}}_{e'}=\operatorname{t}_{\mathbf x.}\operatorname{t}_{\mathbf x.}\operatorname{u}_{e}}_{e'} $$
The following states the commutativity of a strong monad:
\t t{\bf x.\cut\ u{\bf y.\cut\ ve}} = \t u{\bf y.\cut\ t{\bf x.\cut\ ve}}
Using \cs{underline} to mark redexes:
\begin{align*}
  & \delta(V,x.y,x.y)\\
  \& = \mathbf{wu}\{star\}.
      \Cut{V}{
        \Case{
          \mt x.\underline{\Cut y{\star}}
          \mt x.\underline{\Cut y{\star}}
      }\\
  \& = \mathbf{wu}\{star\}.
      \Cut{V}{
        \underline{
            \mbox{ } x.\Cut{\iota_{1}(x)}{\mbox{ } z.\Cut{y}{\star}}
            \mbox{ } x.\Cut{\iota_{2}(x)}{\mbox{ } z.\Cut{y}{\star}}
          }
        }
  & = \mu{\star}.\Cut{V}{\underline{\mt z.}\Cut{y}{\star}}\\
  & = \max\{\star\}.\Cut\{y\}{\star}\
  & =y
\end{align*}
```

3 jmsdelim implementation

```
1 (*package)
2 \RequirePackage{exp13}
3 \RequirePackage{13keys2e}
4 \RequirePackage{xparse}
5 \RequirePackage{ifluatex}
6 \RequirePackage{scalerel}
7 \ProvidesExplPackage {jmsdelim} {2020/11/02} {0.2.0}
```

```
{Compositional delimiter sizing}
9 (@@=jmsdelim)
```

We first declare the options for the jmsdelim module, together with their default valeus.

```
10 \keys_define:nn { jmsdelim } {
    size~commands .clist_set:N = \l__jmsdelim_size_cmds,
12 }
\NewDocumentCommand\normaldelim{}{}
14 \keys_set:nn { jmsdelim } {
    size~commands = {relax,big,Big,bigg,Bigg},
16 }
```

Then, we set up the internal state that will be used by jmsdelim.

```
17 \int_new:N \g__jmsdelim_size
18 \int_new:N \g__jmsdelim_size_up
19 \bool_new:N \g__jmsdelim_bump
20 \ \bool_gset_false:N \g_jmsdelim_bump
21 \int_gset:Nn \g__jmsdelim_size \{\emptyset\}
22 \in Set:Nn \g_jmsdelim_size_up \{0\}
```

_jmsdelim_clist_item: Nn A version of \clist_item: Nn that takes the last item when the index is out of bounds.

```
23 \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim_clist_item:Nn #1 #2 {
    \clist_item:Nn #1 {
      \int_min:nn { #2 } {\clist_count:N #1}
25
26
27 }
```

(End definition for __jmsdelim_clist_item:Nn.)

Preservation of math styles 3.1

It is fairly complicated and inefficient to preserve math styles across boxes. There is an appropriate way to do so in Lual TFX, which we use conditionally if available; otherwise, we make use of \ThisStyle and \SavedStyle from scalerel, which are more inefficient. In fact, it becomes impossible to use jmsdelim in PDFIATEX when the nesting is sufficiently deep, whereas there is no corresponding blowup in LuaLATEX. The \ignoremathstyle and \discernmathstyle macros from scalerel can be used to turn off the inefficient preservation of math styles locally, such as in the case where no subscripts are used.

jmsdelim luatex save mathstyle:N

```
28 \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim_luatex_save_mathstyle:N #1 {
    \ifcase \mathstyle
      \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \displaystyle
      \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \crampeddisplaystyle
33
      \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \textstyle
34
35
      \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \crampedtextstyle
36
    \or
```

```
\cs_set_eq:NN #1 \scriptstyle
                                                                                                \or
                                                                                    39
                                                                                                     \verb|\cs_set_eq:NN #1 \crampedscriptstyle| \\
                                                                                    40
                                                                                                \or
                                                                                    41
                                                                                                     \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \scriptscriptstyle
                                                                                    42
                                                                                    43
                                                                                                     \cs_set_eq:NN #1 \crampedscriptscriptstyle
                                                                                    44
                                                                                    45
                                                                                                \fi
                                                                                    46 }
                                                                                (End definition for __jmsdelim_luatex_save_mathstyle:N.)
                 jmsdelim restore mathstyle:n
                                                                                    47 \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim_restore_mathstyle: {
                                                                                               \SavedStyle
                                                                                    49 }
                                                                                (End\ definition\ for\ \verb|\__jmsdelim_restore_mathstyle:n.)
__jmsdelim_save_mathstyle:n
                                                                                    _{50} \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim\_save\_mathstyle:n #1 {
                                                                                               \ifluatex
                                                                                                     52
                                                                                                     #1
                                                                                    53
                                                                                                \else
                                                                                    54
                                                                                                    \ThisStyle{#1}
                                                                                    55
                                                                                               \fi
                                                                                    56
                                                                                    57 }
                                                                                 (End definition for __jmsdelim_save_mathstyle:n.)
              __jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn
                                                                               Can only be called in a \__jmsdelim_save_mathstyle:n scope; sets the contents of an
                                                                                 hbox in the saved math (or text) style.
                                                                                    58 \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn #1 #2 {
                                                                                                  \mode_if_math:TF
                                                                                                        { \hbox_set:Nn #1 {$\__jmsdelim_restore_mathstyle: #2$} }
                                                                                                        { \hbox_set:Nn #1 { #2 } }
                                                                                    62 }
                                                                                 (End definition for __jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn.)
                                                                                 3.2
                                                                                                Internals
           __jmsdelim_setup_sizes:
                                                                                    63 \cs_new:Npn \__jmsdelim_setup_sizes: {
                                                                                               \int_gset:Nn \g__jmsdelim_size {
                                                                                                    \label{lim_size} $$ \inf_{max:nn \ g_{jmsdelim_size \ g_{jmsdelim_size_up}} $$ $$ int_max:nn \ g_{jmsdelim_size_up} $$ int_max:nn \ g_{jmsdelim_s
                                                                                                     + \bool_if:NTF \g_jmsdelim_bump \{1\} \{\emptyset\}
                                                                                    66
                                                                                               }
                                                                                    67
```

```
\cs_set_eq:Nc \jmsdelim_size_cmd: {
 69
         \__jmsdelim_clist_item:Nn \l__jmsdelim_size_cmds {
 70
           \g_{jmsdelim\_size} + 1
 72
      }
 73
 74 }
(End\ definition\ for\ \verb|\__jmsdelim_setup_sizes:.)
```

3.3 Public interface for macro authors

jmsdelim_scope:nn

```
75 \cs_new:Npn \jmsdelim_scope:nn #1 #2 {
                              \group_begin:
                                \int_set:Nn \l_tmpa_int \g__jmsdelim_size_up
                         78
                                \int_gset:Nn \g__jmsdelim_size_up 0
                                \verb|\bool_set:Nn \l_tmpa_bool \g__jmsdelim_bump|
                         79
                                \bool_gset_false:N \g__jmsdelim_bump
                                \int \int g_{jms} de \lim_{s \to 0} ds
                         81
                                \group_begin:
                         82
                                  \__jmsdelim_save_mathstyle:n {
                         83
                         84
                         85
                                    \__jmsdelim_setup_sizes:
                                    #2
                         86
                                  }
                         87
                                \group_end:
                         88
                                \int \int g_{jms} de \lim_{size_up \ l_tmpa_int}
                                90
                              \group_end:
                         91
                         92 }
                        (End\ definition\ for\ {\tt jmsdelim\_scope:nn}.\ This\ function\ is\ documented\ on\ page\ {\tt 4.})
jmsdelim_surround:nnn
                         93 \cs_new:Npn \jmsdelim_surround:nnn #1 #2 #3 {
                              \jmsdelim_scope:nn {
                                \__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box {#3}
                         95
                             }{
                         96
                                \mathopen\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#1}
                         97
                                \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box
                         98
                                \mathclose\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#2}
                         99
                             }
                        100
                        101 }
                        (End definition for jmsdelim_surround:nnn. This function is documented on page 4.)
 jmsdelim_between:nnn
                        102 \cs_new:Npn \jmsdelim_between:nnn #1 #2 #3 {
                             \jmsdelim_scope:nn {
```

```
\__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box {#2}
104
        \__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpb_box {#3}
105
      }{
106
        \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box
107
        \mathrel{\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#1}}
108
        \box_use:N \l_tmpb_box
109
      }
110
111 }
(End definition for jmsdelim_between:nnn. This function is documented on page 4.)
112 \cs_new:Npn \jmsdelim_between:nnnnn #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 {
      \jmsdelim_scope:nn {
        \__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpa_box {#4}
        \__jmsdelim_hbox_set:Nn \l_tmpb_box {#5}
116
      }{
        \mathopen\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#1}
        \box_use:N \l_tmpa_box
118
        \mathrel{\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#2}}
119
        \box_use:N \l_tmpb_box
120
        \mathclose\jmsdelim_size_cmd: {#3}
121
122
123 }
(End definition for jmsdelim_between:nnnnn. This function is documented on page 4.)
3.4
      Document interace
124 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimMin{m}{
      \int_gset:Nn \g__jmsdelim_size_up {#1}
126 }
(End\ definition\ for\ {\tt DelimMin}.\ This\ function\ is\ documented\ on\ page\ 1.)
127 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimBump{}{
      \bool_gset_true:N \g__jmsdelim_bump
129 }
(End definition for DelimBump. This function is documented on page 2.)
\NewDocumentCommand\DelimSurround{mmm}{
      \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {#1} {#2} {#3}
132 }
```

jmsdelim_between:nnnnn

DelimMin

DelimBump

DelimSurround

(End definition for DelimSurround. This function is documented on page 2.)

```
DelimBetween
                         \NewDocumentCommand\DelimBetween{mmm}{
                              \jmsdelim_between:nnn {#1} {#2} {#3}
                         135 }
                        (End definition for DelimBetween. This function is documented on page 3.)
DelimBetweenSurround
                         {\tt 136} \ \ {\tt NewDocumentCommand\ DelimBetweenSurround\{mmmmm\}} \{
                              \jmsdelim_between:nnnnn {#1} {#2} {#3} {#4} {#5}
                        138 }
                        (End\ definition\ for\ {\tt DelimBetweenSurround}.\ This\ function\ is\ documented\ on\ page\ 3.)
             DelimPrn
                         139 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimPrn{m}{
                             \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {() {)} {#1}
                        (End definition for DelimPrn. This function is documented on page 3.)
             DelimBrk
                         142 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimBrk{m}{
                        \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {[} {]} {#1}
                        144 }
                        (End definition for DelimBrk. This function is documented on page 3.)
             DelimBrc
                         145 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimBrc{m}{
                              \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {\lbrace} {\rbrace} {#1}
                        (End definition for DelimBrc. This function is documented on page 3.)
            DelimBbrk
                         148 \NewDocumentCommand\DelimBbrk{m}{
                              \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {\llbracket} {\rrbracket} {#1}
                        (End definition for DelimBbrk. This function is documented on page 3.)
              DelimGl
                         \NewDocumentCommand\DelimGl{m}{
                              \jmsdelim_surround:nnn {\langle} {\rangle} {#1}
                        (End definition for DelimG1. This function is documented on page 3.)
                         154 \ProcessKeysPackageOptions {jmsdelim}
```

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