# penlightplus

## Additions to the Penlight Lua Libraries

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# Package Options and Set-Up

This package first loads the [import]penlight package—see the documentation here https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/index.html.

The pl option may be passed to this package to create an alias for penlight.

The following global Lua variables are defined:

\_\_SKIP\_TEX\_\_ If using the penlightplus package with texlua (good for troubleshooting), set this global before loading penlight

\_\_PL\_GLOBALS\_\_ If using this package with texlua and you want to set some functions as globals (described in next sections), set this variable to true before loading penlight \_\_PL\_NO\_HYPERREF\_\_ a flag used to change the behaviour of some functions, depending on if you don't use the hyperref package

\_\_PDFmetadata\_\_ a table used to store PDF meta-data for pdfx package.

#### globals option

If the package option globals is used, many additional globals are set for easier scripting. pl.hasval, pl.COMP, pl.utils.kpairs, pl.utils.npairs become globals. pl.tablex is aliased as pl.tbx and tbx (which also includes all native Lua table functions), and pl.array2d is aliased as pl.a2d and a2d.

If you want global pl.tex funcs and vars, call pl.make\_tex\_global()

#### texlua usage

# penlight additions

Some functionality is added to penlight and Lua.

#### **General Additions**

```
pl.hasval(x) Python-like boolean testing
COMP'xyz'() Python-like comprehensions:
    https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.comprehension.html
        clone_function(f) returns a cloned function
        operator.strgt(a,b) compares strings a greater than b (useful for sorting)
        operator.strlt(a,b) compares strings a less than b (useful for sorting)

math.mod(n,d), math.mod2(n) math modulous

pl.utils.filterfiles(dir,filt,rec) Get files from dir and apply glob-like filters. Set rec to
        true to include sub directories

pl.char(n) return letter corresponding to 1=a, 2=b, etc.
    pl.Char(n) return letter corresponding to 1=A, 2=B, etc.
```

## string additions

```
string.upfirst(s) uppercase first letter
string.delspace(s) delete all spaces
string.trimfl(s)remove first and last chars
string.appif(s, append, bool, alternate)
string.gfirst(s, t) return first matched patter from an array of patterns t
string.gextract(s) extract a pattern from a string (returns capture and new string with
        capture removed)
string.totable(s) string a table of characters
string.tolist(s) string a table of characters
string.containsany(s,t) checks if any of the array of strings t are in s using string.find
string.containsanycase(s,t) case-insensitive version
string.delspace(s) clear spaces from string
string.subpar(s, c) replaces \par with a character of your choice default is space
string.fmt(s, t, fmt) format a string like format_operator, but with a few improvements.
        t can be an array (reference items like \$1 in the string), and fmt can be a table of
        formats (keys correspond to those in t), or a string that is processed by luakeys.
string.parsekv(s, opts) parse a string using penlight.luakeys. A string or table can be
        used for opts.
```

#### tablex additions

```
tablex.fmt(t, f) format a table with table or key-value string f
tablex.strinds(t) convert integer indexes to string indices (1 -> '1')
tablex.filterstr(t,e,case) keep only values in table t that contain expression e, case insensitive by default.
tablex.mapslice(f,t,i1,i2) map a function to elements between i1 and i2
tablex.listcontains(t,v) checks if a value is in a array-style list
```

#### seq additions

A syntax to produce sequences or a 'train' of numbers is provided. This may be useful for including pages from a pdf, or selecting rows of a table with a concise syntax. seq.train(trn, len) produces a pl.List according to the arguments (like choo-choo train)

seq.itrain(trn, len) produces an iterator according to the arguments.

An example syntax for trn is 'i1, i2, r1:r2', etc. where i1 and i2 are individual indexes/elements, separated by , and r1:r2 is a range (inclusive of end-point) denoted with a :. The range format follows python's numpy indexing, and a 'stride' can be given by including a second colon like ::2 -> is 1,3,5,..., or 2::3 -> 2,5,8,....

Negative numbers can be used to index relative to the length of the table, eg, -1 -> len, but if length is not given, negative indexing cannot be used and a number after the first colon must be provided. A missing left-number on the colon assumes 1, and missing right number assumes len.

The default colon and comma separators for ranges and elements can be set with seq.train\_range\_sep and seq.train\_element\_sep, respectively.

## A pl.tex. module is added

add\_bkt\_cnt(n), close\_bkt\_cnt(n), reset\_bkt\_cnt functions to keep track of adding curly
 brackets as strings. add will return n (default 1) {'s and increment a counter. close
 will return n }'s (default will close all brackets) and decrement.

\_NumBkts internal integer for tracking the number of brackets opencmd(cs) prints \cs { and adds to the bracket counters.

xNoValue, xTrue, xFalse: xparse equivalents for commands

```
prtl(1),prtt(t) print a literal string, or table
```

wrt(x), wrtn(x) write to log

wrth(s1, s2) pretty-print something to console. S2 is a flag to help you find., alias is help\_wrt, also in pl.wrth

prt\_array2d(tt) pretty print a 2d array

```
pkgwarn(pkg, msg1, msg2) throw a package warning
pkgerror(pkg, msg1, msg2, stop) throw a package error. If stop is true, immediately ceases
compile.
```

```
defcmd(cs, val) like \gdef, but note that no special chars allowed in cs(eg. 0)
```

defmacro(cs, val) like \gdef , allows special characters, but any tokens in val must be predefined (this uses token.set\_macro internally)

```
newcmd(cs, val) like \newcommand renewcmd(cs, val) like \renewcommand
```

prvcmd(cs, val) like \providecommand

deccmd(cs, dft, overwrite) declare a command. If dft (default) is nil, cs is set to a package warning saying 'cs' was declared and used in document, but never set. If overwrite is true, it will overwrite an existing command (using defcmd), otherwise, it will throw error like newcmd.

get\_ref\_info(1)accesses the \r @label and returns a table

## Recording LaTeX input as a lua variable

penlight.tex.startrecording() start recording input buffer without printing to latex
penlight.tex.stoprecording() stop recording input buffer
penlight.tex.readbuf() internal-use function that interprets the buffer. This will ignore an environment ending (eg. end{envir})

penlight.tex.recordedbuf the string variable where the recorded buffer is stored

# penlightplus LaTeX Macros

## Macro helpers

 $MakeluastringCommands [def]{spec} will let \plluastring (A|B|C..) be \label{eq:luastring} (N|O|T|F) based on the letters that spec is set to (or def(ault) if nothing is provided) This is useful if you want to write a command with flexibility on argument expansion. The user can specify <math>n$ , o, t, and f (case insensitve) if they want none, once, twice, or full expansion.

```
Variants of luastring are added:
\luastringF {m} = \luastring {m}
\luastringT {m}, expand the first token of m twice
```

For example, we can control the expansion of args 2 and 3 with arg 1:

```
\NewDocumentCommand{\splittocomma}{ O{nn} m m }{%
   \MakeluastringCommands[nn]{#1}%
   \luadirect{penlight.tex.split2comma(\plluastringA{#2},\plluastringB{#3})}%
}
```

#### Lua boolean expressions

```
\ifluax {<Lua expr>}{<do if true>}[<do if false>] and
\ifluax {<Lua expr>}{<do if true>}[<do if false>] for truthy (uses penlight.hasval)
```

```
3*3*3 is 27

1 \ifluax{3^3 == 27}{3*3*3 is 27}[WRONG]\\
2 \ifluax{abc123 == nil}{Var is nil}[WRONG]\\
3 \ifluax{not true}{tRuE}[fAlSe]\\
4 \ifluax{''}{TRUE}[FALSE]\\
5 \ifluaxv{''}{true}[false]\\
6 false
```

#### **Case-switch for Conditionals**

\caseswitch {case}{kev-val choices} The starred version will throw an error if the case is not found. Use \_\_\_ as a placeholder for a case that isn't matched.

```
 \begin{array}{lll} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &
```

## Creating and using Lua tables in LaTeX - tbl interace

penlightplus provides a Lua-table interface. Tables are stored in the penlight.tbls table. You can access a table item within lua by using: penlight.tbl'i'.

```
\tblnew {t} declares a new table with name t
\tblchg {t} changes the 'recent' table
```

\tblfrkv {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] new table from key-vals using luakeys
\tblfrkvN {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] does not expand key-val string luakeys
\tblfrkvCD {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] define tbl from key-val, check if
any were not defined as defaults (see below), and then push all to definitions

\tblkvundefcheck will throw an error if you use define a table from key-values and use a key that was not specified in the luakeys parse options via opts.defaults or opts.defs.

\tblfrcsv {t}{csv} a shorthand \tblfrkv {t}{csv}[naked\_as\_value=true,opts], a good way to convert a comma-separated list to an array \tblfrcsvN {t}{csv} same as above, but the csv is not expanded.

\tblset {i}{v} sets a value of the table/index i to v
\tblsetN {i}{v} same as above, but the value is not expanded.

\tblget {i} gets the value and tex.sprint()s it

\tbladd {i}{v} add a new value to a table using index method
\tbladdN {i}{v} above, but don't expand the value argument

\tblcon {t}{csv} concatenate an array-style csv
\tblconN {t}{csv}

 $\label{total conditions} $$ \t _{t}_{v} \ append a value (integer-wise) to a table $$ \t _{t}_{v}$$ 

\tbldef {i}{d} pushes the value to macro d

\tbldefall {t}{d} define all item in table t (use recent if blank) with format d<key> where d is your prefix. If d is blank, keys will be defined as \dtbl <t><k> \tblgdef {i}{d} pushes the defined value to a global

For definiting tables, if d is blank, commands are defined as dtbl<t><k>

\iftbl {i}{tr}[fa] runs code ta if the item is true else fr
\iftblv {i}{tr}[fa] runs code ta if the item is truthy (using pl.hasval) else fr

\tblprt {t} print the table in console

There are 3 ways to use the index (placeholder {i} above, note that this argument is fully expanded). t.key where t is the table name and key is a string key, t/int where int is an integer index (ie. uses t[int], note that negative indexes are allowered where -1 is the last element), or simply use ind without the table name, where the assumed table is the last one that was created or changed to, (passing a number will used as an integer index).

```
\tblfrkv{my}{a,b,c,first=john,last=smith}%
2
        [defaults={x=0,1=one,n=false,y=yes}]
3 \tblget{my.a}\\
   \tblset{a}{tRuE!!}
4
                                                                           true
5 \tblget{a}\
                                                                           tRuE!!
6 \tblget{my.x}\\
7 \left( \frac{x}{x} \right)
8 \tbladd{my.newkey}{val}\tblget{newkey}\\
9 \tbladd{nk}{VAL}\tblget{nk}\\
                                                                           val
10 \left[ fa \right] \
                                                                           VAL
11 \t fr {n}{TR}[FA] \
                                                                           fa
12 \left\{ my.y \right\} \left\{ Tr \right\} \left[ Fa \right] \setminus
                                                                           FA
13 \tblifv{y}{tR}[fA]\
                                                                           Tr
14 \% \kvtblundefcheck \% would throw error
15 \t \ mydef\ mydef\
                                                                           tR
16 \tbldef{first}{}\dtblmyfirst\\
                                                                           john
   {\tbldef{last}{mydef} \mydef\\
17
                                                                           john
   {\tblgdef{last}{mydef}} \mydef\\
18
                                                                           smith john
19
   \tbldefall{}{}\dtblmyfirst\\
                                                                           smith
21
   \tbldefall{my}{DEF}\DEFfirst
22
                                                                           john
23
   \tblset{my.a}{12 36}
                                                                           john
   \tbldefxy{my.a}{coord} (\coordx,\coordy)
24
   \tbldefxy{my.a}{} (\dtblmyax,\dtblmyay)
25
                                                                           (12,36) (12,36) (12,36)
26
   \tbldefxy{a}{} (\dtblmyax,\dtblmyay)
                                                                           a,b
27
                                                                           c,see
   \tblfrcsv{me}{a,b,"c,see",d,e}
28
                                                                           DD
   \tblget{me/1},\tblget{2}\\
29
30 \tblget{3}\\
                                                                           Ε
31 \t \{me/4\}\{D\}\t \{me/4\}\t \{/4\}\
                                                                           D,E
32 \tblset{5}{E}\tblget{5}\\
                                                                           c,see
33 \t = {-2}, \t = {me/-1} \
34 \tblget{/-3}\\
                                                                           ABtrueD
35 %% \tblget{k} % would throw error
36
   \t \mathbb{M}_{a=A,b=B,d=D}[\defaults=\{a,b,c,d\}]
37
   \dtblMa \dtblMb \dtblMc \dtblMd
```

Note: for this versions: all latex tbl commands are now prefixed with tbl, eg., tblget, tblset. Old-style commands eg. gettbl will be kept as aliases for a few more releases then removed.

## A practical tbl example

```
\begin{luacode*}
2
      function prt_pyth()
3
      t = pl.tbls.pyth
      if not t.a then
4
5
        pl.tex.pkgerror('must pass a= to \
            pyth')
6
      elseif not t.b then
7
        t.b = (tonumber(t.c)^2 -
8
               tonumber (t.a)^2)^0.5
9
      elseif not t.c then
        t.c = (tonumber(t.a)^2 +
10
11
               tonumber (t.b)^2)^0.5
12
      end
13
      local t = pl.tbx.fmt(t,'.'..t.d..'f') \leftarrow
          -- format table according to d \hookleftarrow
          decimals
      s = 'Right-angle sides a=$a and b=$b \leftarrow
14
          form a hypotenuse of c=$c'
      pl.tex.prt(s:fmt(t))
15
16
      end
17
    \end{luacode*}
18
    \NewDocumentCommand{\pyth}{m}{%
      \verb|\tblfrkv{pyth}{#1}[defaults={a=false,b=}\leftarrow|
19
          false,c=false,d=0,e=extras}]
20
      \luadirect{prt_pyth()}%
21
   }
22
23 \pyth{a=3,c=5}\\
24 \ \pyth{a=3.2,b=4.2,d=2}\\
```

Right-angle sides a=3 and b=4 form a hypotenuse of c=5

Right-angle sides a=3.20 and b=4.20 form a hypotenuse of c=5.28

C: 5.28

# Splitting strings

25 C: \tblget{c}

Splitting text (or a cmd) into oxford comma format via: \splittocomma [expansion level] {text} {text to split on}:

```
-j doe-
  -\splittocomma{ j doe }{\and}-\\
1
  -\splittocomma{ j doe \and s else
                                      {\and}-\
                                                                        -j doe and s else-
2
                   j doe \and s else \and a per {\
3
  -\splittocomma{
                                                                        -j doe, s else, and a per-
4 -\splittocomma{
                   j doe \and s else \and a per \and f guy}{\and←
                                                                        -j doe, s else, a per, and f
                                                                        guy-
5
  \def\authors{j doe \and s else \and a per \and f guy}
                                                                        j doe, s else, a per, and f
  \splittocomma[o]{\authors}{\and}
                                                                        guy
```

The expansion level is up to two characters, n|o|t|f, to control the expansion of each argument.

You can do a similar string split but to \item instead of commas with \splittoitems

```
• kale
```

- john
- kale
- john
- someone else
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

## PDF meta data (for pdfx package)

\splittoitems{kale\and john}{\and}

 $\splittoitems{1,2,3,4}{,}$ 

 $\verb|\splittoitems{kale -john -someone else}| \leftarrow$ 

1 \begin{itemize}

5 \end{itemize}

2

3

4

\writePDFmetadatakv \*[x]{kv} Take a key-value string (eg. title=whatever, author=me) and then writes to the jobname.xmpdata file, which is used by pdfx. \* will first clear \_\_PDFmetadata\_\_ which contains the metadata. The un-starred version updates that table. You can control the expansion of the key-val argument with [x], which is fully expanded by default. Command sequences are ultimately stripped from the values, except for \and is converted to \sep for pdfx usage (https://texdoc.org/serve/pdfx/0).

\writePDFmetadata runs the lua function penlight.tex.writePDFmetadata(), which pushes the lua variable \_\_PDFmetadata\_\_ (a table) to the xmpdata file. This might be useful if you're updating \_\_PDFmetadata\_\_ by some other means.

```
1 \writePDFmetadatakv{author=Some One} %
```

<sup>2 \</sup>writePDFmetadatakv\*[n]{author=Kale \and You\xspace} % Overwrites above. Does not  $\hookleftarrow$  expant kv

<sup>3 \</sup>writePDFmetadatakv{date=2024-02-01}