Citations with PDF tooltips

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This paper describes package xcpdftips version 1.0 from 2019/03/10

1 Introduction

This package allows one to be able to do natbib citations with PDF tooltips.

2 Invoking the Package

The macros in this package are included in the main document with the \usepackage command of LATEX 2ε ,

```
\documentclass[..]{...}
\usepackage{xcpdftips}
```

3 Usage

This package must be used with BibTeX and natbib, not with a hand-written thebibliography environment. More precisely, there must be a .bbl file external to the LATeX file; whether this is written by hand or by BibTeX is unimportant.

\xpdfcite

This is a replacement for natbib's \cite macro. The usage is the same:

```
\xpdfcite{\langle key \rangle}
```

It is also possible to replace \cite:

```
\usepackage{xpdfcite}
\let\cite\xpdfcite
```

4 Caveats

The xcpdftips package will work with natbib with its native \bibitem format, and with standard LATEX. Nothing else can be guaranteed. It will also work with url package.

5 Options with docstrip

The source .dtx file is meant to be processed with docstrip, for which a number of options are available:

package to produce a .sty package file with most comments removed;

driver to produce a driver .drv file that will print out the documentation under LATEX 2_{ε} . The documentation cannot be printed under LATEX 2.09.

The source file xcpdftips.dtx is itself a driver file and can be processed directly by \LaTeX 2ε .

6 The Coding

This section presents and explains the actual coding of the macros. It is nested between %<*package> and %</package>, which are indicators to docstrip that this coding belongs to the package file.

\XC@enumeratetips

The macro \XC@enumeratetips gets bibentry for each key from the list of citations. The output is stored into \XC@tips, which can be directly used as a tooltip text in \pdftcoltip.

```
1 (*package)
3 \ExplSyntaxOn
5 \NewDocumentCommand{ \XC@enumeratetips }
6 { > { \SplitList , } m }
7 {
8
    \global\undef\XC@tips
    \tl_map_inline:nn {#1}
9
10
    {
      \ifx\XC@tips\undefined
11
        \global\def\XC@tips{}
12
        \gappto{\XC@tips}{--~~\@nameuse{BR@r@##1\@extra@b@citeb}}
13
14
         \gappto{\XC@tips}{,\textCR--~~\@nameuse{BR@r@##1\@extra@b@citeb}}
15
16
    }
17
18 }
20 \ExplSyntaxOff
```

\XC@citetp

This macro is in fact \xpdfcite.

It is a wrapper for \XC@@citetp to handle variable number of arguments.

\XC@@citetp

This macro is called from \mmxpdfcite.

It is a wrapper for \XC@citex to handle variable number of arguments.

```
25
26 \newcommand\XC@Ccitetp{}
27 \def\XC@ccitetp[#1]{\@ifnextchar[{\XC@citex[#1]}{\XC@citex[][#1]}}
28

\XC@citex This macro does the actual job. It is an internal wrapper for the combined \pdftooltip and \citep.

29
30 \newcommand\XC@citex{}
31
32 \def\XC@citex[#1][#2]#3{%
33 \XC@enumeratetips{#3}}
34 \pdftooltip{\XC@oldcite[#1][#2]{#3}}{\XC@tips}%
35 }
36
37 \let\XC@oldcite\citep % Save \citep (in the case if it becomes redefined)
38

\xpdfcite A wrapper for the combined \pdftooltip and \citep.
It has the same syntax as \citep.

39
40 \let\xpdfcite\XC@citetp
41
42 \AtBeginDocument{\nobibliography*} % Necessary to get bibentries.
```