

# penlightplus

## Additions to the Penlight Lua Libraries

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This package first loads the [import]penlight package.

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

`globals` option may be used to make several of the functions global (as discussed below).

### texlua usage

If you want to use penlightplus.lua with the `texlua` interpreter (no document is made, but useful for testing your Lua code), you can access it by setting `--SKIP_TEX_` = `true` before loading. For example:

```
package.path = package.path .. ';'.. 'path/to/texmf/tex/lualatex/penlightplus/?..lua'  
package.path = package.path .. ';'.. 'path/to/texmf/tex/lualatex/penlight/?..lua'  
penlight = require'penlight'  
  
--SKIP_TEX_ = true --only required if you want to use  
--penlightplus without a LaTeX run  
--PL_GLOBALS_ = true -- optional, include global definitions  
  
require'penlightplus'
```

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`

The gloals flags below are taken care of in the package options:

`--PL_GLOBALS_` If using package with `texlua` and you don't want to set some globals (described in next sections), set this global before to `true` loading `penlight`

`--PL_NO_HYPERREF__` a flag used to change the behaviour of a function, depending on if you don't use the hyperref package  
`--PDFmetadata__` a table used to store PDF meta-data

### global extras

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()`

### penlight additions

Some functionality is added to penlight and Lua.

`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 modulus

`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 pattern 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(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
```

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

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

### 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

```
prt(x), prtn(x) print without or with a newline at end. Tries to help with special characters or numbers printing.
```

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

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

`wrh(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. `\%`)

```

defmacro(cs, val) like \gdef , allows special characters, but any tokens in val must be pre-defined (this uses token.set_macro internally)
newcmd(cs, val) like \newcommand
renewcmd(cs, val) like \renewcommand
prvcmd(cs, val) like \providetcommand
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(l) accesses the \r @label and returns a table

```

## Recording latex input

`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

## Macro helpers

`\MakeluastringCommands [def]{spec}` will let `\plluastrings (A|B|C..)` be `\luastrings (N|O|T|F)` based on the letters that `spec` is set to (or `def` if nothing is provided). This is useful if you want to write a command with flexibility on argument expansion. The user can specify `n`, `o`, `t`, and `f` (case insensitive) if they want no, once, twice, or full expansion. 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(\plluastringsA{#2},\plluastringsB{#3})}%
}

```

## Lua boolean expressions for LaTeX conditionals

`\ifluax {<Lua expr>}{{<do if true>}}[<do if false>]` and

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

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

## Creating and using Lua tables in LaTeX

`penlightplus` provides a Lua-table interface. Tables are stored in the `penlight.tbls` table.

\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`  
\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  
\tblapp `{t}{v}` append a value (integer-wise) to a table  
\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  
\tbldefxy `{i}{d}` splits the value of item by spaces creates two definitions `\dx` and `\dy`. Useful for passing tikz coordinates like `xy=0 5`  
For defining 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 else `fr`

\tblprt `{t}` print the table in console

There are 3 ways to use the index (placeholder `{i}` above). `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 allowed (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 be used as an integer index).

```

1  \tblfrkv{my}{a,b,c,first=john,last=smith}%
2      [defaults={x=0,1=one,n=false,y=yes}]
3  \tblget{my.a} \\
4  \tblset{a}{tRuE!!}                                true
5  \tblget{a} \\                                       tRuE!!
6  \tblget{my.x} \\                                     0
7  \tblget{.x} \\                                      0
8  \tblif{n}{tr}[fa]\\                               fa
9  \tblifv{n}{TR}[FA]\\                            FA
10 \tblif{my.y}{Tr}[Fa]\\                           Tr
11 \tblifv{y}{tR}[fa]\\                            tR
12 %% \kvtblundefcheck % would throw error
13 \tbldef{my.first}{mydef} \mydef\\                john
14 \tbldef{first}{}{\dtblmyfirst}\\                  john
15 {\tbldef{last}{mydef} \mydef} \mydef\\           john
16 {\tblgdef{last}{mydef}} \mydef\\                 smith john
17
18 \tbldefall{}{\dtblmyfirst}\\                      smith
19 \tbldefall{my}{DEF}\DEFFirst
20
21 \tblset{my.a}{12 36}                             john
22 \tbldefxy{my.a}{coord} (\coordx,\coordy)        john
23 \tbldefxy{my.a}{} (\dtblmyax,\dtblmyay)        (12,36) (12,36) (12,36)
24 \tbldefxy{a}{} (\dtblmyax,\dtblmyay)            a,b
25
26 \tblfrcsv{me}{a,b,"c,see",d,e}                  c,see
27 \tblget{me/1},\tblget{2} \\                         DD
28 \tblget{3} \\                                      E
29 \tblset{me/4}{D}\tblget{me/4}\tblget{/4}\\       D,E
30 \tblset{5}{E}\tblget{5} \\                         c,see
31 \tblget{-2},\tblget{me/-1} \\                      ABtrueD
32 \tblget{/3} \\
33 %% \tblget{k} % would throw error
34
35 \tblfrkvCD{M}{a=A,b=B,d=D}[defaults={a,b,c,d}]
36 \dtblMa \dtblMb \dtblMc \dtblMd

```

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

## A practical `tbl` example

```

1 \begin{luacode*}
2   function prt_pyth()
3     t = pl.tbls.pyth
4     if not t.a then
5       pl.tex.pkgerror('must pass a= to \\←
6         pyth')
7     elseif not t.b then
8       t.b = (tonumber(t.c)^2 -
9             tonumber(t.a)^2)^0.5
10    elseif not t.c then
11      t.c = (tonumber(t.a)^2 +
12            tonumber(t.b)^2)^0.5
13    end
14    local t = pl.tbx(fmt(t,'...t.d..''f')) ←
15      -- format table according to d ←
16      decimals
17    s = 'Right-angle sides a=$a and b=$b ←
18      form a hypotenuse of c=$c'
19    pl.tex.prt(s:fmt(t))
20  end
21 \end{luacode*}
22 \NewDocumentCommand{\pyth}{m}{%
23   \tblfrkv{pyth}{#1}[defaults={a=false,b=←
24     false,c=false,d=0,e=extras}]
25   \luadirect{prt_pyth()}%
26 }
27
28 \pyth{a=3,c=5}\
29 \pyth{a=3.2,b=4.2,d=2}\
30 C: \tblget{c}

```

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

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

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

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`

```
1 \begin{itemize}
2   \splittoitems{kale\and john}{\and}
3   \splittoitems{kale -john -someone else}{{-}}
4   \splittoitems{1,2,3,4}{,}
5 \end{itemize}
```

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

## PDF meta data (for pdfx package)

`\writePDFmetadata` \*{m} Take a key-value string (eg. `title=whatever, author=me`) and writes to the `jobname.xmpdata` file, to be used by `pdfx`. \* will first clear the data `\writePDFmetadata` runs the lua function `penlight.tex.writePDFmetadata()`, which pushes the lua variable `_PDFmetadata_` (a table) to the xmpdata file.