



The Treasure Chest

This is a selection of the new packages posted to CTAN (ctan.org) from October 2018–April 2019, with descriptions based on the announcements and edited for extreme brevity.

Entries are listed alphabetically within CTAN directories. More information about any package can be found at ctan.org/pkg/pkgname. A few entries which the editors subjectively believe to be of especially wide interest or otherwise notable are starred (*); of course, this is not intended to slight the other contributions.

We hope this column and its companions will help to make CTAN a more accessible resource to the T_EX community. See also ctan.org/topic. Comments are welcome, as always.

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biblio

alpha-persian in [biblio/bibtex/contrib](#)
Persian version of `alpha.bst`, using X_YT_EX.
econ-bst in [biblio/bibtex/contrib](#)
Customizable BIB_TE_X style for economics papers.
zootaxa-bst in [biblio/bibtex/contrib](#)
BIB_TE_X style for the journal *Zootaxa*.

fonts

crimsonpro in [fonts](#)
Eight weights and italics for each weight.
cuprum in [fonts](#)
Cuprum font family support for L^AT_EX.
garamond-math in [fonts](#)
OpenType math font matching EB Garamond.
inriafonts in [fonts](#)
Inria fonts with L^AT_EX support.

graphics

chordbars in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Chord grids for pop/jazz tunes in TikZ.
chordbox in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Draw chord diagrams in TikZ.
euflag in [graphics](#)
Flag of European Union using standard packages.
fiziko in [graphics/metapost/contrib/macros](#)
MetaPost library for physics textbook illustrations.
memorygraphs in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Typeset graphs of program memory in TikZ.
ptolemaicastronomy in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Diagrams of sphere models for variably strict conditionals (Lewis counterfactuals).

pst-moire in [graphics/pstricks/contrib](#)
Moiré patterns in PSTricks.
pst-venn in [graphics/pstricks/contrib](#)
Venn diagrams in PSTricks.
tikz-imagelabels in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Put labels on existing images using TikZ.
tikz-truchet in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Draw Truchet tiles in TikZ.
tikzlings in [graphics/pgf/contrib](#)
Cute little animals and similar creatures in TikZ.

indexing

* **xindex** in [indexing](#)
Unicode-compatible index generation (in Lua).

info

* **joy-of-tex** in [info](#)
Text of Michael Spivak's *Joy of T_EX*, for the AMS-T_EX format.
latex4musicians in [info](#)
Guide for combining L^AT_EX and music.
texonly in [info](#)
Sample document in plain T_EX.

language/thai

zhlineskip in [language/chinese](#)
Line spacing for CJK documents.

language/japanese

bxjaholiday in [language/japanese](#)
Support for Japanese holidays.
pxjodel in [language/japanese](#)
Help change metrics of fonts from `japanese-otf`.

macros/generic

poormanlog in [macros/generic](#)
Standalone package for logarithms and powers, with almost 9 digits of precision.

macros/latex/contrib

armymemo in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Class for Army memorandums, following AR 25-50.
asmeconf in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Template for ASME conference papers.
brandeis-problemset in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Class for COSI problem sets at Brandeis University.
bussproofs-extra in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Extra commands for `bussproofs.sty`.
changelog in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Changelog environment; supports multiple authors, unreleased changes, revoked releases, etc.
commedit in [macros/latex/contrib](#)
Commented (teacher/student) editions.

[macros/latex/contrib/commedit](#)

- `elegantbook` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 “Elegant” (Chinese) template for books.
- `elegantnote` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 “Elegant” (Chinese) template for notes.
- `elegantpaper` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 “Elegant” (Chinese) template for economics papers.
- `els-cas-templates` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Typeset articles for Elsevier’s Complex Article Service (CAS) workflow.
- `eqexpl` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Align explanations for formulas.
- `exam-randomizechoices` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Random order of choices, under the `exam` class.
- `exercisepoints` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Count and score exercises.
- `exframe` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Framework for exercise problems.
- `fascicules` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Create mathematical manuals for schools.
- `fbox` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Extended `\fbox` macro from standard L^AT_EX.
- `frenchmath` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Typesetting mathematics with French rules.
- `ftc-notebook` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Typeset FIRST Tech Challenge notebooks.
- `gammas` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Template for the GAMM Archive for Students.
- `gitver` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Typeset current git hash of a document.
- `globalvals` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Declare global variables that can be used anywhere, including before their declaration.
- `glossaries-estonian` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Estonian translations for the `glossaries` package.
- `icon-appr` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Create icon appearances for form buttons.
- `invoice-class` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Make a standard US invoice from a CSV file.
- `iodhbwm` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Unofficial template of the DHBW Mannheim.
- `identkey` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Bracketed dichotomous identification keys.
- `keyindex` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Index entry by key lookup, e.g., for names.
- `latex-uni8` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Generic `inputenc`, `fontenc`, and `babel` for pdfL^AT_EX and LuaL^AT_EX.
- `latexalpha2` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Embed Mathematica code and plots into L^AT_EX.
- `latexcolors` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Color definitions from `latexcolors.com`.
- `lectures` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Support for typesetting lecture notes.
- `lstfiracode` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Use the Fira Code font for listings.
- `ltxguidex` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Extended `ltxguide` class.
- `*metalogox` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Adjust T_EX logos, with font detection.
- `mi-solns` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Extract solutions from exercises and quizzes.
- `mismath` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Mathematical macros for ISO rules.
- `modeles-factures-belges-assocs` in `m/l/c`
 Make invoices for Belgian non-profit organizations.
- `multicolrule` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Decorative rules between columns.
- `njurepo` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Report template for Nanjing University.
- `qsharp` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Syntax highlighting for Q# language.
- `realhats` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Replace math hat (\hat{u}) symbols with pictures of actual hats.
- `rgltxdoc` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Common macros for documentation of the author’s packages.
- `rulerbox` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Draw rulers around a box.
- `ryersonsgstheiss` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Thesis template for the Ryerson School of Graduate Studies (SGS).
- `scratch3` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Draw Scratch programs with L^AT_EX.
- `tblvar` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Tables of signs and variations per French usage.
- `topiclongtable` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Extend `longtable` with cells that merge hierarchically.
- `ucalgmthesis` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Thesis class for University of Calgary Faculty of Graduate Studies.
- `xcpdftips` in `macros/latex/contrib`
 Extend `natbib` citations with PDF tooltips.
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- `macros/latex/contrib/beamer-contrib/themes`**
- `beamerauxtheme` in `m/l/c/b-c/themes`
 Supplementary outer and inner themes for beamer.
- `beamertheme-light` in `m/l/c/b-c/themes`
 Minimal beamer theme.
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- `macros/latex/contrib/biblatex-contrib`**
- `icite` in `m/l/c/biblatex-contrib`
 Indices locorum citatorum: indexes of authors and works, generated from a bibliography.
- `windycity` in `m/l/c/biblatex-contrib`
 A Chicago style for BIBL^AT_EX.
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- `macros/luatex/latex`**
- `beamer-rl` in `macros/luatex/latex`
 Right-to-left presentation with `beamer` and `babel`.
- `luaimageembed` in `macros/luatex/latex`
 Embed images as base64-encoded strings.
- `luarandom` in `macros/luatex/latex`
 Create lists of random numbers.

`makecookbook` in `macros/luatex/latex`
Support cookbook typesetting.

macros/xetex/latex

`quran-de` in `macros/xetex/latex`
German translations for the `quran` package.
`technion-thesis-template` in `macros/xetex/latex`
Thesis template for the Technion graduate school.
`tetragonos` in `macros/xetex/latex`
Macro mapping for Chinese characters for the
four-corner method.

macros/xetex/plain

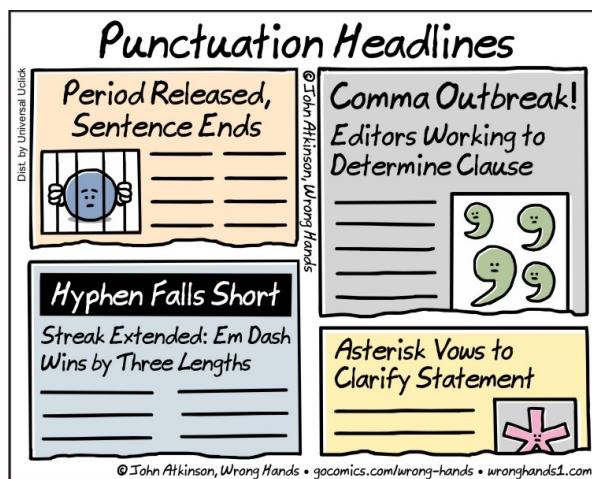
`do-it-yourself-tex` in `macros/xetex/plain`
Modifiable forms, macros, samples for plain X_ƎL_AT_EX.

support

`pdftex-quiet` in `support`
Filter and colorize `pdftex` terminal output.
`pkgcheck` in `support`
CTAN package checker.

systems/unix

`tex-fpc` in `systems/unix`
Change files for the Free Pascal compiler.



Comic by John Atkinson (<https://wronghands1.com>).