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The gmverb Package*

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This is (a documentation of) file gmverb.sty, intended to be used with L^AT_EX 2_ε as a package for a slight redefinition of the `\verb` macro and `verbatim` environment and for short verb marking such as `|\mymacro|`.

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```
73 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
74 \ProvidesPackage{gmverb}
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```

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Intro, usage

This package redefines the `\verb` command and the `verbatim` environment so that the `verbatim` text can break into lines, with % (or another character chosen to be the comment char) as a 'hyphen'. Moreover, it allows the user to define his own `verbatim`-like environments provided their contents would be not *horribly* long (as long as a macro's argument may be at most).

This package also allows the user to declare a chosen char(s) as a 'short verb' e.g., to write `|\a\verbatim\example|` instead of `\verb|\a\verbatim\example|`.

The gmverb package redefines the `\verb` command and the `verbatim` environment in such a way that `_`, `{` and `\` are breakable, the first with no 'hyphen' and the other two with the comment char as a hyphen. I.e. `{\subsequent text}` breaks into `{%`

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`<subsequent text>}` and `<text>\mymacro` breaks into `<text>%
\mymacro`.

`\fixbslash` (If you don't like linebreaking at backslash, there's the `\fixbslash` declaration (observing the common scoping rules, hence `ocsr`) and an analogous declaration for the left brace: `\fixlbrace`.)

`\VerbHyphen` The default 'hyphen' is `%` since it's the default comment char. If you wish another char to appear at the linebreak, use the `\VerbHyphen` declaration that takes `<char>` as the only argument. This declaration is always global.

`\verbeolOK` Another difference is the `\verbeolOK` declaration (`ocsr`). Within its scope, `\verb` allows an end of a line in its argument and typesets it just as a space.

As in the standard version(s), the plain `\verb` typesets the spaces blank and `\verb*` makes them visible.

`\MakeShortVerb` Moreover, `gmverb` provides the `\MakeShortVerb` macro that takes a one-char control sequence as the only argument and turns the char used into a short verbatim delimiter, e.g., after `\MakeShortVerb*|` (as you guess, the declaration has its starred version, which is for visible spaces, and the non-starred for the spaces blank) you may type `|%\mymacro|` to get `\mymacro` instead of typing `\verb+\mymacro+`. Because the char used in this example is my favourite and used just this way by DEK in the *The T_EXbook's* format, `gmverb` provides a macro `\dekclubs` as a shorthand for `\MakeShortVerb(*)%\|`.

`\DeleteShortVerb` Be careful because such active chars may interfere with other things, e.g., the `|` with the vertical marker in tables and with the `tikz` package. If this happens, you can declare e.g., `\DeleteShortVerb\|` and the previous meaning of the char used shall be restored.

One more difference between `gmverb` and `shortverb` is that the chars `\active`ated by `\MakeShortVerb` in the math mode behave as if they were 'other', so you may type e.g., `$$|` to get `|` and `+\active`ated this way is in the math mode typeset properly etc.

`\OldMakeShortVerb` However, if you don't like such a conditional behaviour, you may use `\OldMakeShortVerb` instead, what I do when I like to display short verbatims in `display-math`.

`\dekclubs` There's one more declaration provided by `gmverb`: `\dekclubs`, which is a shorthand for `\MakeShortVerb\|`, `\dekclubs*` for `\MakeShortVerb*|` and `\olddekclubs` for `\OldMakeShortVerb\|`.

`\edverbs` There's one more declaration, `\edverbs` that makes `\[` checks if the next token is an active char and opens an `\hbox` if so. That is done so that you can write (in `\edverbs'` and `\dekclubs'` scope)

```
\[<verbatim stuff>|]
```

instead of

```
\[\hbox{|<verbatim stuff>|}]
```

to get a displayed shortverb.

Both versions of `\dekclubs` `ocsr`.

The `verbatim` environment inserts `\topsep` before and after itself, just as in standard version (as if it was a list).

`\VisSpacesGrey` In August 2008 Will Robertson suggested grey visible spaces for `gmdoc`. I added a respective option to `gmdoc` but I find them so nice that I want to make them available for all verbatim environments so I bring here the declaration `\VisSpacesGrey`. It redefines only the visible spaces so affects `\verb*` and `verbatim*` and not the unstarred versions. The colour of the visible spaces is named `visspacesgrey` and you can redefine it `xcolor` way.

As many good packages, this also does not support any options.

Installation

Unpack the gmverb-tds.zip archive (this is an archive conforming the tds standard, see CTAN/tds/tds.pdf) in a texmf directory or put the gmverb.sty somewhere in the texmf/tex/latex branch on your own. Creating a texmf/tex/latex/gm directory may be advisable if you consider using other packages written by me.

Then you should refresh your T_EX distribution's files' database most probably.

Contents of the gmverb.zip archive

The distribution of the gmverb package consists of the following three files and a tds-compliant archive.

```
gmverb.sty
README
gmverb.pdf
gmverb.tds.zip
```

This package requires another package of mine, gmutils, also available on CTAN.

Compiling of the documentation

The last of the above files (the .pdf, i.e., *this file*) is a documentation compiled from the .sty file by running X_YL^AT_EX on the gmverb.sty file (xelatex gmverb.sty in the directory you wish the documentation to be in, you don't have copy the .sty file there, T_EX will find it) twice, then MakeIndex on the gmverb.idx file, and then L^AT_EX on gmverb.tex once more.

MakeIndex shell command:

```
makeindex -r gmverb
```

The -r switch is to forbid MakeIndex to make implicit ranges since the (code line) numbers will be hyperlinks.

Compiling the documentation requires the packages: gmdoc (gmdoc.sty and gm-docc.cls), gmverb.sty, gmutils.sty and also some standard packages: hyperref.sty, color.sty, geometry.sty, multicol.sty, lmodern.sty and fontenc.sty that should be installed on your computer by default.

If you had not installed the mwcls classes (available on CTAN and present in T_EX Live e.g.), the result of your compilation might differ a bit from the .pdf provided in this .zip archive in formatting: If you had not installed mwcls, the standard article.cls class would be used.

The code

Preliminaries

```
251 \RequirePackage{gmutils}[2008/10/08]
```

For \firstofone, \afterfi, \gmobeyspaces, \@ifnextcat, \foone and \noexpand's and \expandafter's shorthands \@nx and \@xa resp.

Someone may want to use another char for comment, but we assume here 'ortho-doxy'. Other assumptions in gmdoc are made. The 'knowledge' what char is the comment char is used to put proper 'hyphen' when a verbatim line is broken.

```
\verbhyphen 263 \let\verbhyphen\xiipercen
```

Provide a declaration for easy changing it. Its argument should be of \langle char \rangle form (of course, a \langle char \rangle₁₂ is also allowed).

```

\VerbHyphen 269 \def\VerbHyphen#1{%
270   {\escapechar\m@ne
271    \@xa\gdef\@xa\verbhyphen\@xa{\string#1}}

```

As you see, it's always global.

The breakables

Let's define a `\discretionary` left brace such that if it breaks, it turns `{%` at the end of line. We'll use it in almost Knuthian `\ttverbatim`—it's part of this 'almost'.

```

\breaklbrace 280 \def\breaklbrace{%
281   \discretionary{\xiilbrace\verbhyphen}{\xiilbrace}}
284 \foone{\catcode`\ [=1\catcode`\{=\active\catcode`\}=2}%
285 [%
\dobreaklbrace 286 \def\dobreaklbrace[\catcode`\{=\active
287   \def{%
\breaklbrace 288   [\breaklbrace\gm@lbracehook]]%
289 ]

```

Now we only initialize the hook. Real use of it will be made in `gmdoc`.

```
293 \relaxen\gm@lbracehook
```

The `\bslash` macro defined below I use also in more 'normal' \TeX ing, e.g., to `\typeout` some `\outer` macro's name.

```

298 \foone{\catcode`\ !=0\@makeother\}%
299 {%
\bslash 300   !def!bslash{\}%
\breakbslash 301   !def!breakbslash{!discretionary{!verbhyphen}{\}\{\}}%
302 }

```

Sometimes linebreaking at a backslash may be unwelcome. The basic case, when the first `cs` in a `verbatim` breaks at the `lineend` leaving there `%`, is covered by line 622. For the others let's give the user a countercrank:

```

\fixbslash 309 \newcommand*\fixbslash{\let\breakbslash=\bslash}% to use due to the com-
               mon scoping rules. But for the special case of a backslash opening a verbatim
               scope, we deal specially in the line 622.

```

Analogously, let's provide a possibility of 'fixing' the left brace:

```

\fixlbrace 315 \newcommand*\fixlbrace{\let\breaklbrace=\xiilbrace}
318 \foone{\catcode`\ !=0\catcode`\{=\active}%
320 {%
\dobreakbslash 321   !def!dobreakbslash{!catcode`\ !=!active\def\{!breakbslash}}%
\breakbslash 322 }

```

The macros defined below, `\visiblebreakspaces` and `\xiiclub` we'll use in the almost Knuthian macro making `verbatim`. This 'almost' makes a difference.

```

328 \foone{\catcode`\_ =12}% note this space is 10 and is gobbled by parsing the
               number. \visibleSPACE is \let in gmutils to \xiispace or \xxt@visibleSPACE
               of xltextra if available.
\breakablevisSPACE 332 \def\breakablevisSPACE{\discretionary{\visibleSPACE}{\}%
               \visibleSPACE}}
335 \foone\obeyspaces% it's just re\catcode'ing.
336 {%

```

```

\activespace 337 \newcommand*\activespace{ }%
\dobreakvisiblespace 338 \newcommand*\dobreakvisiblespace{\def\breakablevisiblespace\obeyspaces}%%
\breakablevisiblespace \defing it caused a stack overflow disaster with gmdoc.
\dobreakblankspace 340 \newcommand*\dobreakblankspace{\let\space\obeyspaces}%
341 }
344 \foone{\@makeother\|}{%
\Xiicclub 345 \def\Xiicclub{||}}

```

Almost-Knuthian \ttverbatim

\ttverbatim comes from *The T_EXbook* too, but I add into it a L^AT_EX macro changing the \catcodes and make spaces visible and breakable and left braces too.

```

\ttverbatim 354 \newcommand*\ttverbatim{%
355 \let\do=\do@noligs\verbatim@nolig@list
356 \let\do=\@makeother\dospecials
357 \dobreaklbrace\dobreakbslash
358 \dobreakspace
359 \tt
360 \ttverbatim@hook}

```

While typesetting stuff in the qx fontencoding I noticed there were no spaces in verbatims. That was because the qx encoding doesn't have any reasonable char at position 32. So we provide a hook in the very core of the verbatim making macros to set proper fontencoding for instance.

```

367 \@emptyify\ttverbatim@hook
\VerbT1 370 \def\VerbT1{\def\ttverbatim@hook{\fontencoding{T1}\selectfont}}
\VerbT
\ttverbatim@hook We wish the visible spaces to be the default.
374 \let\dobreakspace=\dobreakvisiblespace

```

The core: from shortvrb

The below is copied verbatim ;-) from doc.pdf and then is added my slight changes.

```

\MakeShortVerb 383 \def\MakeShortVerb{%
384 \@ifstar
\@shortvrbdef 385 {\def\@shortvrbdef{\verb*}\@MakeShortVerb}%
\@shortvrbdef 386 {\def\@shortvrbdef{\verb}\@MakeShortVerb}}
\@MakeShortVerb 389 \def\@MakeShortVerb#1{%
390 \@xa\ifx\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname\relax
391 \@shortvrbinfo{Made_}{#1}\@shortvrbdef
392 \add@special{#1}%
393 \AddtoPrivateOthers#1% a macro to be really defined in gmdoc.
395 \@xa
396 \xdef\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname{\the\catcode`#1}%
397 \begingroup
398 \catcode`\~\active\lccode`\~`#1%
399 \lowercase{%
400 \global\@xa\let
401 \csname_ac\string#1\endcsname~%
402 \@xa\gdef\@xa~\@xa{%
403 \@xa\ifmmode\@xa\string\@xa~%

```

```

404     \@xa\else\@xa\afterfi{\@shortvrbdef~}\fi}}% This terrible number
        of \expandafters is to make the shortverb char just other in the math
        mode (my addition).
407     \endgroup
408     \global\catcode`#1\active
409     \else
410     \@shortvrbinfo\@empty{#1\already}{\@empty\verb(*)}}%
411     \fi}
\DeleteShortVerb 414 \def\DeleteShortVerb#1{%
415     \@xa\ifx\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname\relax
416     \@shortvrbinfo\@empty{#1\not}{\@empty\verb(*)}}%
417     \else
418     \@shortvrbinfo{Deleted_}{#1_as}{\@empty\verb(*)}}%
419     \rem@special{#1}%
420     \global\catcode`#1\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname
421     \global\@xa\let_\csname_cc\string#1\endcsname_\relax
422     \ifnum\catcode`#1=\active
423     \begingroup
424     \catcode`\~\active_\lccode`\~`#1%
425     \lowercase{%
426         \global\@xa\let\@xa~%
427         \csname_ac\string#1\endcsname}%
428     \endgroup_\fi_\fi}

    My little addition

432 \@ifpackageloaded{gmdoc}{%
\gmv@packname 433     \def\gmv@packname{gmdoc}}{%
\gmv@packname 434     \def\gmv@packname{gmverb}}
\@shortvrbinfo 437 \def\@shortvrbinfo#1#2#3{%
438     \PackageInfo{\gmv@packname}{%
439         ^^J\@empty_#1\@xa\@gobble\string#2_a_short_reference
440         for_\@xa\string#3}}
\add@special 443 \def\add@special#1{%
444     \rem@special{#1}%
445     \@xa\gdef\@xa\dospecials\@xa
446     {\dospecials_\do_#1}%
447     \@xa\gdef\@xa\@sanitize\@xa
448     {\@sanitize_\@makeother_#1}}

    For the commentary on the below macro see the doc package's documentation. Here
    let's only say it's just amazing: so tricky and wicked use of \do. The internal macro
    \rem@special defines \do to expand to nothing if the \do's argument is the one to
    be removed and to unexpandable cses \do and \do's argument otherwise. With \do
    defined this way the entire list is just globally expanded itself. Analogous hack is done
    to the \@sanitize list.

\rem@special 459 \def\rem@special#1{%
460     \def\do##1{%
461         \ifnum`#1=`##1_\else_\@nx\do\@nx##1\fi}%
462     \xdef\dospecials{\dospecials}%
463     \begingroup
464     \def\@makeother##1{%
465         \ifnum`#1=`##1_\else_\@nx\@makeother\@nx##1\fi}%

```

```

466 \xdef\@sanitize{\@sanitize}%
467 \endgroup}

```

And now the definition of `verbatim` itself. As you'll see (I hope), the internal macros of it look for the name of the current environment (i.e., `\@currenvir`'s meaning) to set their expectation of the environment's `\end` properly. This is done to allow the user to define his/her own environments with `verbatim` inside them. I.e., as with the `verbatim` package, you may write `verbatim` in the `begdef` of your environment and then necessarily `\endverbatim` in its `enddef`. Of course (or maybe *surprisingly*), the commands written in the `begdef` after `verbatim` will also be executed at `\begin{environment}`.

```

verbatim 480 \def\verbatim{%
\verbatim 481 \edef\gmv@hyphenpe{\the\hyphenpenalty}%
482 \edef\gmv@exhyphenpe{\the\exhyphenpenalty}%
483 \@beginparpenalty\predisplaypenalty\@verbatim
484 \frenchspacing\gmoobeyspaces\@xverbatim
485 \hyphenpenalty=\gmv@hyphenpe\relax
486 \exhyphenpenalty=\gmv@exhyphenpe
487 \hyphenchar\font=\m@ne}% in the LATEX version there's \vobeyspaces in-
instead of \gmoobeyspaces.
verbatim* 492 \@namedef{verbatim*}{\@beginparpenalty\predisplaypenalty\@
\@verbatim
493 \@sxverbatim}
\endverbatim 495 \def\endverbatim{\@par
496 \ifdim\lastskip>\z@
497 \@tempkipa\lastskip\vskip-\lastskip
498 \advance\@tempkipa\parskip\advance\@tempkipa-
\@outerparskip
499 \vskip\@tempkipa
500 \fi
501 \addvspace\@topsepadd
502 \@endparenv}
505 \n@melet{endverbatim*}{endverbatim}
508 \begingroup\catcode\`!=0%
509 \catcode\` [=1\catcode`=2%
510 \catcode\`{\=active
511 \@makeother\}%
512 \catcode\`\\=active%
\@xverbatim 513 !gdef!\@xverbatim[%
514 !edef!verbatim@edef [%
515 !def!noexpand!verbatim@end%
516 #####1!noexpand\end!noexpand{!\@currenvir}[%
517 #####1!noexpand!end[!\@currenvir]][%
518 !verbatim@edef
519 !verbatim@end]!%
520 !endgroup
\@sxverbatim 524 \let\@sxverbatim=\@xverbatim

```

F. Mittelbach says the below is copied almost `verbatim` from L^AT_EX source, modulo `\checkpercent`.

```

\@verbatim 529 \def\@verbatim{%

```

Originally here was just `\trivlist\item[]`, but it worked badly in my document(s), so let's take just highlights of if.

```

535 \parsep\parskip
From \@trivlist:
537 \if@noskipsec\leavevmode\fi
538 \@topsepadd\topsep
539 \ifvmode
540 \advance\@topsepadd\partopsep
541 \else
542 \unskip\par
543 \fi
544 \@topsep\@topsepadd
545 \advance\@topsep\parskip
546 \@outerparskip\parskip
(End of \trivlistlist and \@trivlist highlights.)
548 \@@par\addvspace\@topsep
549 \if@minipage\else\vskip\parskip\fi
551 \advance\@totalleftmargin\verbatimleftskip
552 \raggedright
553 \leftskip\@totalleftmargin% so many assignments to preserve the list
thinking for possible future changes. However, we may be sure no internal
list shall use \@totalleftmargin as far as no inner environments are
possible in verbatim(*).
559 \@@par% most probably redundant.
560 \@tempwafalse
561 \def\par{% but I don't want the terribly ugly empty lines when a blank line is met.
Let's make them gmdoc-like i.e., let a vertical space be added as in between
stanzas of poetry. Originally \if@tempswa\hbox{}\fi, in my version will
be
566 \ifvmode\if@tempswa\addvspace\stanzaskip\@tempwafalse\fi\fi
567 \@@par
568 \penalty\interlinepenalty\check@percent}%
569 \everypar{\@tempswatrue\hangindent\verbatimhangindent\hangafter%
\@ne}% since several chars are breakable, there's a possibility of breaking
some lines. We wish them to be hanging indented.
572 \obeylines
573 \ttverbatim}
\stanzaskip 575 \@ifundefined{stanzaskip}{\newlength\stanzaskip}{\fi}
576 \stanzaskip=\medskipamount
\verbatimleftskip 579 \newskip\verbatimleftskip
581 \verbatimleftskip\leftmargini
\verbatimhangindent 583 \newskip\verbatimhangindent
585 \verbatimhangindent=3em
\check@percent 589 \providecommand*\check@percent{}

```

In the gmdoc package shall it be defined to check if the next line begins with a comment char.

Similarly, the next macro shall in gmdoc be defined to update a list useful to that package. For now let it just gobble its argument.

```

\AddtoPrivateOthers 596 \providecommand*\AddtoPrivateOthers[1]{}

```

Both of the above are \provided to allow the user to load gmverb after gmdoc (which would be redundant since gmdoc loads this package on its own, but anyway should be harmless).

Let's define the 'short' verbatim command.

```

\verb* 605 \def\verb{\relax\ifmmode\hbox\else\leavevmode\null\fi
\verb 606 \bgroup
607 \ttverbatim
608 \gm@verb@eol
609 \@ifstar{\@sverb@chbsl}{\gmodeyspaces\frenchspacing\@sverb@chbsl}}%in
the LATEX version there's \@vobeyspaces instead of \gmodeyspaces.
\@sverb@chbsl 613 \def\@sverb@chbsl#1{\@sverb#1\check@bslash}
\@def@breakbslash 616 \def\@def@breakbslash{\breakbslash}% because \ is \defined as \breakb-
slash not \let.

```

For the special case of a backslash opening a (short) verbatim, in which it shouldn't be breakable, we define the checking macro.

```

\check@bslash 622 \def\check@bslash{\@ifnextchar{\@def@breakbslash}{\bslash%
\@gobble}}{}
626 \let\verb@balance@group\@empty
\verb@egroup 629 \def\verb@egroup{\global\let\verb@balance@group\@empty\egroup}
\gm@verb@eol 633 \let\gm@verb@eol\verb@eol@error

```

The latter is a L^AT_EX_{2 ϵ} kernel macro that \activateates line end and defines it to close the verb group and to issue an error message. We use a separate cs'cause we are not quite positive to the forbidden line ends idea. (Although the allowed line ends with a forgotten closing shortverb char caused funny disasters at my work a few times.) Another reason is that gmdoc wishes to redefine it for its own queer purpose.

However, let's leave my former 'permissive' definition under the \verb@eol name.

```

645 \begingroup
646 \obeylines\obeyspaces%
647 \gdef\verb@eolOK{\obeylines%
\check@percent 648 \def~M{\check@percent}%
649 }%
650 \endgroup

```

The \check@percent macro here is \provided to be \@empty but in gmdoc employed shall it be.

Let us leave (give?) a user freedom of choice:

```

\verbeolOK 655 \def\verbeolOK{\let\gm@verb@eol\verb@eolOK}

```

And back to the main matter,

```

658 \def\@sverb#1{%
659 \catcode`#1\active\lccode`\~`#1%
660 \gdef\verb@balance@group{\verb@egroup
661 \@latex@error{Illegal use of \bslash\verb\command}\@ehc}%
662 \aftergroup\verb@balance@group
663 \lowercase{\let~\verb@egroup}}
\verbatim@nolig@list 665 \def\verbatim@nolig@list{\do\` \do\<\do\>\do\,\do\'\do\~}
\do@noligs 667 \def\do@noligs#1{%
668 \catcode`#1\active
669 \begingroup
670 \lccode`\~`#1\relax
671 \lowercase{\endgroup\def~{\leavevmode\kern\z@\char`#1}}

```

And finally, what I thought to be so smart and clever, now is just one of many possible uses of a general almost Rainer Schöpf's macro:

```
\dekclubs 676 \def\dekclubs{\@ifstar{\MakeShortVerb*}\|\}{\MakeShortVerb\|}}
\olddekclubs 677 \def\olddekclubs{\OldMakeShortVerb\|}
```

But even if a shortverb is unconditional, the spaces in the math mode are not printed. So,

```
\edverbs 685 \newcommand*\edverbs{%
686 \let\gmv@dismath\[%
687 \let\gmv@edismath\]%
688 \def\[%
689 \@ifnextac\gmv@disverb\gmv@dismath}%
690 \relaxen\edverbs}%

\gmv@disverb 692 \def\gmv@disverb{%
693 \gmv@dismath
695 \hbox\bgroup\def\|\{\egroup\gmv@edismath}}
```

doc- and shortvrb-compatibility

One of minor errors while T_EXing doc.dtx was caused by my understanding of a 'shortverb' char: at my settings, in the math mode an active 'shortverb' char expands to itself's 'other' version thanks to \string. doc/shortvrb's concept is different, there a 'shortverb' char should work as usual in the math mode. So let it may be as they wish:

```
\old@MakeShortVerb 707 \def\old@MakeShortVerb#1{%
708 \@xa\ifx\cscname_\cc\string#1\endcscname\relax
709 \@shortvrbinfo{Made_\}{#1}\@shortvrbdef
710 \add@special{#1}%
711 \AddtoPrivateOthers#1% a macro to be really defined in gmdoc.
712 \@xa
713 \xdef\cscname_\cc\string#1\endcscname{\the\catcode`#1}%
714 \begingroup
715 \catcode`\~\active_\lccode`\~`#1%
716 \lowercase{%
717 \global\@xa\let\cscname_\ac\string#1\endcscname~%
718 \@xa\gdef\@xa~\@xa{%
719 \shortvrbdef~}}%
720 \endgroup
721 \global\catcode`#1\active
722 \else
723 \@shortvrbinfo\@empty{#1_already}\@empty\verb(*)}%
724 \fi}

\OldMakeShortVerb 728 \def\OldMakeShortVerb{\begingroup
729 \let\@MakeShortVerb=\old@MakeShortVerb
730 \@ifstar{\eg@MakeShortVerbStar}{\eg@MakeShortVerb}}

\eg@MakeShortVerbStar 733 \def\eg@MakeShortVerbStar#1{\MakeShortVerb*#1\endgroup}
\eg@MakeShortVerb 734 \def\eg@MakeShortVerb#1{\MakeShortVerb#1\endgroup}
```

Grey visible spaces

In August 2008 Will Robertson suggested grey spaces for gmdoc. I added a respective option to that package but I like the grey spaces so much that I want provide them for any verbatim environments, so I bring the definition here. The declaration, if put

in the preamble, postpones redefinition of `\visiblepace` till `\begin{document}` to recognize possible redefinition of it when `xltxtra` is loaded.

```

746 \let\gmd@preambleABD\AtBeginDocument
747 \AtBeginDocument{\let\gmd@preambleABD\firstofone}
749 \RequirePackage{xcolor}% for \providecolor
\VisSpacesGrey 751 \def\VisSpacesGrey{%
753   \providecolor{visspacesgrey}{gray}{0.5}%
754   \gmd@preambleABD{%
755     \edef\visiblepace{%
756       \hbox{\@nx\textcolor{visspacesgrey}%
757         {\@xa\unexpanded\@xa{\visiblepace}}}}%
758   }}
764 \endinput% for the Tradition.

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Change History

vo.79	\edverbs: added, 677	vo.87	General: Checksum 661, 0 visible space tidied and taken from <code>xltxtra</code> if available. <code>gmutils</code> required. The <code>\xii . . . cses</code> moved to <code>gmutils</code> . The documentation driver moved into the <code>.sty</code> file, 764
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