

The auxhook package

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Abstract

Package `auxhook` provides hooks for adding stuff at the begin of `.aux` files.

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1 User interface

There are two kinds of `.aux` files, the main `.aux` file and the `.aux` file that belongs to an included file, specified by `\include`.

Some packages write macros in the auxiliary files. If the user stops using the package, these macros will usually cause error messages because of unknown commands. Prominent example is package `babel`'s `\select@language`.

But such a package could be written more cooperative. It can also provide a definition in the auxiliary file (`\providecommand`) that silently disables the macros of the package if the package is no longer in use.

In case of the main auxiliary file, `\AtBeginDocument` can be used for this purpose. Especially if several packages are involved, the order cannot be controlled

always (e.g., see package `hypdestopt` that hooks into `hyperref`'s macros). And there isn't any hook for the auxiliary files of the `\include` feature.

Thus this package patches L^AT_EX's macros `\document` and `\@include` to add the hooks where the auxiliary files are opened and the first line with `\relax` is written.

The patching can fail, if these macros are redefined by some other package. If the other package still uses the original definition, then load package `auxhook` earlier. (With `\RequirePackage` the package also can be loaded before the class). If the redefinition doesn't use the original meaning, then you can try to load package `auxhook` afterwards, but you need luck that the patch succeeds.

The hooks are macros:

`\@beginmainauxhook`: Start of the main auxiliary file. The hook is called after the first line with `\relax` is written.

`\@beginpartauxhook`: The same for the auxiliary files that belongs to the files that are included by `\include`.

If you want to add something to these hooks, you can use `\g@addto@macro` from L^AT_EX's kernel. But the package provides macros to add code that adds a line to the auxiliary file:

```
\AddLineBeginMainAux {\langle line\rangle}
\AddLineBeginPartAux {\langle line\rangle}
\AddLineBeginAux {\langle line\rangle}
```

The `\langle line\rangle` is added at the begin of the main auxiliary file by `\AddLineBeginMainAux` and at the begin of the auxiliary files of included files by `\AddLineBeginPartAux`.

`\AddLineBeginAux` writes in both kinds of auxiliary files.

Examples, see packages `hypdestopt` ([1]) and `zref` ([3]).

2 Implementation

2.1 Identification

```
1 (*package)
2 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
3 \ProvidesPackage{auxhook}%
4 [2009/12/14 v1.2 Hooks for auxiliary files (HO)]%
```

2.2 Hook setup

`\@beginmainauxhook` The hook for the main auxiliary file, initially empty.

```
5 \providecommand*\@beginmainauxhook{}%
```

`\@beginpartauxhook` The hook for auxiliary files of included files, initially empty.

```
6 \providecommand*\@beginpartauxhook{}%
```

2.3 User macros

```
\AddLineBeginMainAux
7 \newcommand{\AddLineBeginMainAux}[1]{%
8   \g@addto@macro{\@beginmainauxhook}{%
9     \immediate\write\@mainaux{#1}%
10   }%
11 }
```

```

\AtBeginPartAuxLine
12 \newcommand{\AddLineBeginPartAux}[1]{%
13   \g@addto@macro{\beginpartauxhook}{%
14     \immediate\write{\partaux{#1}}%
15   }%
16 }

\AddLineBeginAux
17 \newcommand{\AddLineBeginAux}[1]{%
18   \AddLineBeginMainAux{#1}%
19   \AddLineBeginPartAux{#1}%
20 }

```

2.4 Patches

2.4.1 \document

```

21 \begingroup
22   \ifundefined{beamer@origdocument}{%
23     \def\auxhook@document{\document}%
24   }%
25   \def\auxhook@document{\beamer@origdocument}%
26 }%
27 \long\def\y#1\immediate\write{\mainaux#2#3\auxhook@nil}%
28   \toks@{%
29     #1\immediate\write{\mainaux{#2}}%
30     \beginmainauxhook
31     #3%
32   }%
33   \expandafter\xdef\auxhook@document{\the\toks@}%
34   \endgroup
35 }%
36 \long\def\x#1\immediate\write{\mainaux#2#3\auxhook@nil}%
37   \toks@{#3}%
38   \edef\x{\the\toks@}%
39   \ifx\x\empty
40     \PackageWarningNoLine{\auxhook}{%
41       Cannot patch \expandafter\string\auxhook@document,%
42       \MessageBreak
43       using \string\AtBeginDocument\space instead%
44     }%
45   \endgroup
46   \AtBeginDocument{%
47     \if@filesw
48       \beginmainauxhook
49     \fi
50   }%
51 \else
52   \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\y\auxhook@document
53   \auxhook@nil
54 \fi
55 }%
56 \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\x\auxhook@document
57   \immediate\write{\mainaux{}}\auxhook@nil

```

2.4.2 \@include

```

58 \begingroup
59   \long\def\y#1\immediate\write{\partaux#2#3\auxhook@nil#4}%
60   \endgroup
61   \def#4##1 {%
62     #1\immediate\write{\partaux{#2}}%
63     \beginpartauxhook

```

```

64      #3%
65      }%
66  }%
67  \long\def\x{\immediate\write\@partaux{\auxhook@nil#4{%
68    \toks@{\#3}%
69    \edef\x{\the\toks@}%
70    \ifx\x\empty
71      \PackageWarningNoLine{\auxhook}{%
72        Cannot patch \string#4,\MessageBreak
73        patch dropped}%
74    }%
75    \endgroup
76  }\else
77    \expandafter\y#4{\#1} \auxhook@nil#4%
78  }\fi
79 }%
80 \@ifundefined{ReFiCh@org@include}{}{%
81   \expandafter\x\@include{\#1} %
82   \immediate\write\@partaux{}{\auxhook@nil\@include
83 }%
84   \expandafter\x\ReFiCh@org@include{\#1} %
85   \immediate\write\@partaux{}{\auxhook@nil\ReFiCh@org@include
86 }%
87 </package>

```

3 Installation

3.1 Download

Package. This package is available on CTAN¹:

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/auxhook.dtx](http://ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/auxhook.dtx) The source file.

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/auxhook.pdf](http://ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/auxhook.pdf) Documentation.

Bundle. All the packages of the bundle ‘oberdiek’ are also available in a TDS compliant ZIP archive. There the packages are already unpacked and the documentation files are generated. The files and directories obey the TDS standard.

[CTAN:install/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek.tds.zip](http://ctan.org/install/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek.tds.zip)

TDS refers to the standard “A Directory Structure for TeX Files” ([CTAN:tds/tds.pdf](http://ctan.org/tds/tds.pdf)). Directories with `texmf` in their name are usually organized this way.

3.2 Bundle installation

Unpacking. Unpack the `oberdiek.tds.zip` in the TDS tree (also known as `texmf` tree) of your choice. Example (linux):

```
unzip oberdiek.tds.zip -d ~/texmf
```

Script installation. Check the directory `TDSScripts/oberdiek/` for scripts that need further installation steps. Package `attachfile2` comes with the Perl script `pdfatfi.pl` that should be installed in such a way that it can be called as `pdfatfi`. Example (linux):

```
chmod +x scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl
cp scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl /usr/local/bin/
```

¹[ftp://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/](http://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/)

3.3 Package installation

Unpacking. The `.dtx` file is a self-extracting `docstrip` archive. The files are extracted by running the `.dtx` through plain-`TeX`:

```
tex auxhook.dtx
```

TDS. Now the different files must be moved into the different directories in your installation TDS tree (also known as `texmf` tree):

```
auxhook.sty → tex/latex/oberdiek/auxhook.sty  
auxhook.pdf → doc/latex/oberdiek/auxhook.pdf  
auxhook.dtx → source/latex/oberdiek/auxhook.dtx
```

If you have a `docstrip.cfg` that configures and enables `docstrip`'s TDS installing feature, then some files can already be in the right place, see the documentation of `docstrip`.

3.4 Refresh file name databases

If your `TeX` distribution (`teTeX`, `mikTeX`, ...) relies on file name databases, you must refresh these. For example, `teTeX` users run `texhash` or `mktexlsr`.

3.5 Some details for the interested

Attached source. The PDF documentation on CTAN also includes the `.dtx` source file. It can be extracted by AcrobatReader 6 or higher. Another option is `pdftk`, e.g. unpack the file into the current directory:

```
pdftk auxhook.pdf unpack_files output .
```

Unpacking with L^AT_EX. The `.dtx` chooses its action depending on the format:

plain-`TeX`: Run `docstrip` and extract the files.

L^AT_EX: Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using L^AT_EX for `docstrip` (really, `docstrip` does not need L^AT_EX), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=\input{auxhook.dtx}
```

Do not forget to quote the argument according to the demands of your shell.

Generating the documentation. You can use both the `.dtx` or the `.drv` to generate the documentation. The process can be configured by the configuration file `ltxdoc.cfg`. For instance, put this line into this file, if you want to have A4 as paper format:

```
\PassOptionsToClass{a4paper}{article}
```

An example follows how to generate the documentation with pdfL^AT_EX:

```
pdflatex auxhook.dtx  
makeindex -s gind.ist auxhook.idx  
pdflatex auxhook.dtx  
makeindex -s gind.ist auxhook.idx  
pdflatex auxhook.dtx
```

4 References

- [1] Heiko Oberdiek: *The hypdestopt package*; 2006/05/30 v1.0; [CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/hypdestopt.pdf](#).
- [2] Sebastian Rahtz, Heiko Oberdiek: *The hyperref package*; 2006/08/16 v6.75c; [CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/hyperref/](#).
- [3] Heiko Oberdiek: *The zref package*; 2006/05/25 v1.2; [CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/zref.pdf](#).

5 History

[2006/05/31 v1.0]

- First version.

[2007/04/06 v1.1]

- Fix for class beamer.

[2009/12/14 v1.2]

- Support for package rerunfilecheck added (\@include).

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