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Preface

1. Introduction

The [AcroT_EX eDucation Bundle](#), read “AcroT_EX Education Bundle”, is a collection of L^AT_EX macro files, along with various support files and sample files. The overall theme of this bundle is [ePublication](#) in the [education](#) sector using L^AT_EX as the authoring application and Adobe’s Portable Document Format (PDF) as the file format of the output document.

Currently, there are three components to the bundle, with others planned:

1. The [web package](#) is used to create an attractive, easy-on-the-eye page layout suitable for the WWW (or classroom/conference presentations).
2. The [exerquiz package](#) makes it very easy to create interactive exercises and quizzes.
3. The [eforms](#) package provides support for PDF form fields.
4. The [insdljs](#) package allows for the automatic insertion of document level JavaScript. Document authors can use [insdljs](#) to customize the processing of the [exerquiz](#) quizzes. See the documentation that accompanies the package ([insdljs.dtx](#)) and see also the sam-

ple file `jqzspec.tex` for an extensive example of how to modify the `exerquiz` macros. The `insdljs` package also has an `execJS` environment which can be used to create executable and “discardable” JavaScript; see the `.dtx` file for details, and the demo file `execJStst.tex`, which features an animation built completely from L^AT_EX source lines..

5. The `dljslib` package is used as a library of JavaScript functions. Some types of question require special processing. A JavaScript function written to process a particular function can be stored in the library, then retrieved as needed. See the documentation contained in the file `dljslib.dtx`, and try the test file for this package, `jslib-ex.tex`.

The [AcroT_EX Bundle](#) should be useful to educators who want to post interactive materials for their students on the WWW.

Here is an important point that should be emphasized early in this manual. [AcroT_EX](#) only supports three ways of producing a PDF document: (1) the [Adobe Acrobat Distiller](#) (version 5.0 or higher *required*); (2) `pdftex`; or (3) `dvipdfm`. In the case of (1), you probably use `dvips` to create a postscript file before distilling. Some users have tried to use [GhostScript](#) to produce a pdf document from [AcroT_EX](#); this will not work! (You will get the PDF document but not much functionality.)

Please contact me at dpstory@uakron.edu should you encounter any problems, or have suggestions to make.

▶ See ‘[Getting Started](#)’ on page 15 for instructions on how to get up and running.

1.1. A Brief History

The `web` and `exerquiz` packages were written in preparation for a two-day workshop on L^AT_EX/PDF that I gave at the [College of the Redwoods](#), April 30-May 1, 1999, at the invitation of David Arnold. The workshop forced me to take many of the basic macros that I had developed in plain T_EX and convert them to L^AT_EX.

Significant additions to the `exerquiz` were made immediately following the 20th Annual Conference of the T_EX User’s Group (TUG), in August, 1999, Vancouver, British Columbia, which I attended.

The `insDLJS` package was written for the 22nd Annual Conference of the T_EX User’s Group (TUG), in August 2001, at the University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware.

The `execJS` environment was created as a result of some work I did for the Seybold SF Convention, 2002 (see article at [planetPDF](#)); the techniques were first presented to the PDF public at this convention. My complete presentation from that conference is again available from

planetPDF.

1.2. Thanks

Noel Vaillant, www.probability.net, deserves my thanks for his enthusiasm for the `web` style file and his initial work on it inspired me to make a serious effort at writing a L^AT_EX package.

Thanks also goes out to Jean-Michel Sarlat for writing a French version of the `web` and `exerquiz` packages. See his [Syracuse](#) Web site. He urged me to include a language option. Thanks also goes to Michael Wiedmann who suggested a language option many months earlier, but I'm afraid it landed on deaf ears at the time. These two provided the translations for the `french` and `german` options. (January 1, 2000)

My thanks to Heiko Oberdiek, who took a close look at `insdljs`. He made several suggestions, and urged me to make some significant improvements to this package.

1.3. What's New

The following is a brief enumeration of some of the major new features of the `web` and `exerquiz` packages.

- **Web**

No significant changes.

- **Exerquiz**

The following are the major changes, see the file `eqchange.txt` for more details on the change history.

1. (Version 6.0) Improved the `mathGrp` environment so that it treats grouped question truly as a unit. Added two optional parameters to the environment. The document author can specify a JavaScript function to grade the grouped questions. Despite its name, `mathGrp` environment works for text fill-in as well as math fill-ins (but not for multiple choice). The `mathGrp` environment also now works for the `shortquiz` environment (in addition to the `quiz` environment). See ‘[Grouped Math/Text Fill-in Questions](#)’ on page 140.
2. Separated the `eforms` support from the `exerquiz` package. `eforms` is now a stand-alone package that can be used by people who may want to use PDF forms outside the context of a document that contains quizzes. See the demo file `eforms_tst.tex`.
3. **Important:** There is one required parameter for the `quiz` environment, a base name used to build the names of the form fields used

in the quiz, e.g., `\begin{quiz}{qzQuiz1}`. Now this base name of the quiz should only contain ascii characters or numbers. This name is now used to construct a JavaScript object, so it must be a valid JavaScript object name. For example `qzQuiz1` is correct, but `qz:Quiz-1` is not.

4. Created `\@PromptButton` a new correct answer button for quizzes. Quiz questions might have a series of parts in which the answer to one part depends on the answer to the previous part. With `\@PromptButton`, the answer can be optionally provided while the student is taking the quiz. See the section on the Prompt Button for details.
5. Created a grouping environment for math fill-in questions. See the section entitled Grouping Math Fill-in Questions.
6. Added a `noquizsolutions` option – mostly for online quizzing – see ‘The option `noquizsolutions`’ on page 70.
7. Changed the behavior of `\eqButton`: If `nocorrections` is used, the `\eqButton` does not appear. This is reasonable, `\eqButton` is used to display corrections to the quiz.
8. Modified the `questions` environment so that it behaves more like standard L^AT_EX list environments. You can now nest the

`questions` environment three deep. See `pc_test.tex` for examples.

9. Added an optional argument to the `\Ans` command for multiple-choice questions for assigning *partial credit*. See the demo file `pc_test.tex`.
10. Modified the behavior of the link-type multiple choice questions. When you select an alternative, a check appears superimposed over the letter. I've removed the alert dialog informing the user that he has change his selection. The file `pc_test.tex` illustrates this.
11. The **ninth parameter** of `\RespBoxMath` has been modified to take an JS object. This object can have two properties:

```
{ [ priorParse: <js function> ] | [<array of js functions> ],  
  [ comp: <compare function> ] }
```

The `priorParse` property is used to filter the user's answer prior to be fully parsed, while the `comp` property is used to specify a custom compare function. See the demo file `integer_tst.tex` for examples.

12. Again for the math fill-in (`\RespBoxMath`), the way in which you specify variables (the **third parameter**) has changed: Specify the

variables using a comma-delimited list, e.g. $(\mathbf{r}:\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{i}:\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{y})$. Typing the variables has been introduced: $\mathbf{r}:\mathbf{x}$ means that \mathbf{x} is a real variable (the default) and $\mathbf{i}:\mathbf{n}$ means that \mathbf{n} is an integer variable. See the demo file `integer_tst.tex`.

- **dljslib**

The `dljslib` Package acts as a library of JavaScript functions. Due to the increased programmability of `exerquiz` and its new-found flexibility, it is possible to write a number of different routines to handle various kinds of math fill-in questions. These JavaScript functions can be stored in the library and retrieved when needed. This package requires the `insdljs` package.

1. (Version 6.01) Added `setSupport` option to `dljslib`. This gives support to math fill-in questions for processing (1) a set of numerical answers or a comma delimited list of answers; (2) a symbolic sets of answers. The demo file is `set_test.tex`.

Now, I really must get back to work. ☹

2. Getting Started

There has been a new package added to the [AcroTeX Bundle](#), the `insDLJS` Package. This package allows the document or package au-

thor to write JavaScripts to the document level JavaScript section of a PDF document. **Exerquiz** now uses **insDLJS** to place its JavaScripts into the PDF document.

▶ The program files for **AcroTeX Bundle** consist of **web.sty**, **exerquiz.dtx**, **exerquiz.ins**, **insdljs.dtx**, **insdljs.ins**, **dljslib.dtx**, **dljslib.ins**, and **acrotex.ins**

1. Place all these files in the same directory. This directory must be in the search path of your L^AT_EX system, perhaps in a separate folder called **acrotex**.
2. The whole bundle can be unpacked by latexing **acrotex.ins**. (The other ***.ins** files are the installation files for the individual packages, **acrotex.ins** is the combined installation file.)

Important: See the next section, **Unpacking the AcroTeX Bundle** for information on unpacking the bundle.

3. Place the sample files either in the same folder as the **AcroTeX** program files, or in another folder of your choosing. See the section titled ‘**Sample Files**’ on page 17 for more details on these.

After reading the manual you are then ready to write your own set of tutorials, exams, exercises and quizzes. 

2.1. Unpacking the AcroT_EX Bundle

To install the [AcroT_EX Bundle](#), you must first “unpack” it. Unpacking is performed by “L^AT_EXing” the file `acrotex.ins`. Simply execute `latex acrotex.ins` from the command line (the command line may vary depending on your T_EX System), or if you use a T_EX/L^AT_EX friendly editor, open the file in the editor and `latex` it.

• Language Localizations

In `acrotex.ini`, the language localizations have been commented out. Just uncomment the language you intend to use.

▶ Also in the `exerquiz.ins` file is the line

```
% \file{template.def}{\from{exerquiz.dtx}{copyright,template}}
```

Uncomment this line to get the template file, used for developing language localizations.

2.2. Sample Files

There are numerous sample/demo files that illustrate various features of the [AcroT_EX Bundle](#). View the PDF document [indexofex.pdf](#), which is an “Index of AcroT_EX Examples”. This document contains a list of all examples, a short description of each, and links to the PDF document and source file.

2.3. Package Requirements

If you use the Acrobat Distiller, as I do, to create a PDF document, the [AcroTeX Bundle](#) now requires the use of version 5.0 or later. I've given up on trying to support prior version of Acrobat.

In terms of L^AT_EX, the following is a listing of package requirements:

1. The Web Package
 - `color`: distributed with L^AT_EX
 - `amssymb`: standard with $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{M}\mathcal{S}$ -L^AT_EX
 - `hyperref`: available from CTAN, get newer version
 - `eso-pic` and `everyshi`: available from CTAN
2. The Exerquiz Package
 - `color`: distributed with L^AT_EX
 - `verbatim`: distributed with L^AT_EX
 - `hyperref`: available from CTAN, get newer version
 - `insdljs`: distributed with AcroTeX
3. The insDLJS Package
 - `hyperref`: available from CTAN, get newer version
 - `verbatim`: distributed with L^AT_EX
 - `everyshi`: available from CTAN
4. The dljsLib Package
 - `insdljs`: distributed with AcroTeX

2.4. L^AT_EXing Your First File

The functionality of the `shortquiz` and `quiz` environments depends on JavaScript code that is placed at the “document-level”, to use Adobe’s terminology. The applications `pdftex` and `dvipdfm` offer direct support for writing to this document-level. For those who use the [Adobe Distiller](#), things aren’t quite so easy.

In this section, we describe how to insert document level JavaScripts into a PDF document, prepared from a L^AT_EX source that uses the `exerquiz` package. Even though the handling and insertion of document-level JavaScript is done with the package `insdljs`, a little care must be taken—at least in the Distiller case—when building your .PDF document.

Open `webeqtst.tex` in your favorite text editor. The top lines read:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage[tight,designi]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

- **For `pdftex` and `dvipdfm` Users**

Edit the third line by inserting your driver; the choices are `pdftex` and `dvipdfm`. For example, if you use `dvipdfm`, the lines should read:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage[dvipdfm,tight,designi]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

For the `pdftex` application, you simply call `pdflatex`, and you have your nice PDF document, ready for review. The insertion of the document level JavaScript is automatic.

For `dvipdfm`, you \LaTeX the document, then hit it with `dvipdfm`, and your ready to review your PDF document.

• For Distiller Users

If you use the distiller, as I do, the sophisticated features of \AcroTeX Bundle require Acrobat 5.0 or higher. I've discontinued my attempt at supporting Acrobat 4.0.

Edit the third line by inserting your driver; the choices are `dvips` and `dvipsone`. For example, if you use `dvips`, the lines should read:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage[dvips,tight,designi]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

When you \LaTeX the source file you create a `.dvi` file, and one or more `.fdf` files. The `.fdf` files (e.g., `exerquiz.fdf`) contain the document

level JavaScript that needs to be imported into your document.

You then convert your `.dvi` to `.ps` using either `dvips` or `dvipson`, and `distill`. **Important:** When you `distill`, save the `.pdf` back to the same folder in which your source file (`.tex`) resides as this is where the `.fdf` files reside too. Insertion of document level JavaScripts automatically takes place when you open your newly distilled document in the Acrobat application. (It is actually Acrobat that imports the scripts, not the Distiller.)

☞ When your document is opened in Acrobat for the first time, the JavaScript contained in the `.fdf` files (e.g., `exerquiz.fdf`) is imported into the document and is stored at the document level.

▶ **Important:** *Save your document.* When you save, the JavaScripts you just imported are also saved with the document. At this point you can move your PDF to another folder, or to the web. The document does not need the `.fdf` files any more.

For distiller users, the [AcroTeX eDucation Bundle](#) has many exciting features—the `insDLJS` and `dljsLib` Packages—whose functionality requires the document author use Acrobat 5.0 or higher.

The Web Package

3. The Web Package

The purpose of the `web` package is to create a page layout for documents meant for screen presentation, whether over the WWW or classroom/conference presentations, in PDF. Such documents are *not* (necessarily) *intended to be printed*; consequently, the page layout is, in some sense, optimized for screen viewing.

3.1. Overview

The `web` package redefines `\maketitle` and `\tableofcontents` in a more web friendly way; it colors the section headings, and inserts `\bullets` (●) at the `\subsubsection` level. This, to my eyes, is very attractive. Additionally, certain navigation devices—a navigation bar and some direction icons—are included in the package.

There are options for a small collection of drivers: `dvipson`, `dvips` and `pdftex`. The language option redefines certain language dependent elements of the package to other languages. Currently, the following options are supported: `dutch`, `french`, `german`, `italian`, `norsk`, `russian` `spanish`, `dansk`, `polish` and `finnish`. There is even an option for reformatting the `web` style to a print format!

The capabilities of the `web` package and its options are discussed below. Any comments and suggested improvements (new features) would be greatly appreciated.

3.2. Package Requirements

The `web` package was designed for screen presentations tutorials, such as classroom or conference lectures, short technical articles, etc.; consequently, the `article` class of L^AT_EX seems to be a sufficient for these purposes. Though you can use `web` with any of the standard classes that define the `\section`, `\subsection` and `\subsubsection` commands, the package is really meant to be used with the `article` class. It is **strongly** suggested!

The package heavily depends on Sebastian Rahtz' `hyperref` package (now maintained and developed by Heiko Oberdiek). The `web` package was developed using version 6.56 of `hyperref`. Using prior versions of `hyperref` *may* lead to successful compilation—no guarantees offered. It is best to work with the most recent version of `hyperref`.

The `color` and `amssymb` packages are also required. The former is for obvious reasons, the later is to provide certain navigational symbols when the `navibar` option is invoked.

Finally, to create quality PDF document, type 1 fonts *must* be

used. Fortunately, type 1 fonts in the Computer Modern font set are freely available, and come with all the major freeware, shareware and commercial T_EX systems. If you haven't done so already, learn how to use the type 1 fonts.

In this regard, I have written an article that may be of interest to you entitled “*Using L^AT_EX to Create Quality PDF Documents for the WWW*”, see reference [10].

3.3. Basic Usage

To use the `web` package, insert into the preamble of your document the following:

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>,<other_options>]{web}
```

Replace `<other_options>` with any of the options recognized by `web`; see [Section 13](#) for a complete list of options. The the first and optional argument `<driver_option>` above defines the driver to be used; for example,

```
\usepackage[dvipsone]{web}
```

Currently, the `web` package supports six drivers: `dvipsone`, the dvi-to-ps converter by Y&Y, Inc., (<http://www.yandy.com/>); `dviwindo`, Y&Y's dvi-previewer; `dvips`, the freeware dvi-to-ps converter; `pdftex`, the tex-to-pdf application; and `dvipdfm`, the dvi-to-pdf application

by Mark Wicks, (<http://odo.kettering.edu/dvipdfm/>); and the commercial T_EX system for the Mac, `textures` and `TEXshop`.

▶ The package has been tested using `\documentclass{article}` and it is *strongly* recommended that this class be used.

• Setting the Driver Option

You can set your driver option in one of three ways:

- Pass as a local option:

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>]{web}
```

- Pass as a global option:

```
\documentclass[<driver_option>]{article}
```

- Create the file `web.cfg` with the single command in it:

```
\ExecuteOptions{<driver_option>}
```

Place the file `web.cfg` in any folder where L^AT_EX looks for input files. Then, you need only type `\usepackage{web}`.

Note that `<driver_option>` is any of the following options: `dvipson`, `dviwindo`, `dvips`, `pdftex`, `dvipdfm` or `textures`

The macros of the `web` package have been extensively tested using the Y&Y T_EX System (www.yandy.com) for the `dvipson` and `dviwindo` options and a MikT_EX System (www.miktex.org) for the `dvips`, `pdftex` and `dvipdfm` options.

- **The tight Option**

In an effort to compact more material per page, I've introduced a `tight` option. When this option is used, many of the list parameters are redefined so that there is not so much space around these environments, and between items.

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>,tight,<other_options>]
```

This screen version of this manual was typeset with the `tight` option, the print version was typeset without it.

3.4. Setting Screen Size

Beginning with version 2.0, the screen size can be set by the author. There are two ways to do this: (1) use the macros `\screensize` and `\margins` (These are the same macros—slightly redefined—for setting the screen size used by Radhakrishnan in his fine screen package `pdfscreen`.); or (2) use a screen design option. The next two sections addresses each of these in turn.

- **Custom Design**

There are five dimensions that need to be specified. As with `pdfscreen`, the two commands `\screensize` and `\margins` are used for doing so.

The command `\screensize` takes two length parameters:

```
\screensize{<height>}{<width>}
```

The `<width>` and `<height>` parameters are the desired screen size of the page. The screen version of this manual uses

```
\screensize{3.72in}{4.67in}
```

The other command, `\margins`, which determines the desired margins, takes four length parameters:

```
\margins{<left>}{<right>}{<top>}{<bottom>}
```

The values of `\textheight` and `\textwidth` are computed based on the screen size and the margins. The margin settings for this document are given below:

```
\margins{.25in}{.25in}{30pt}{.25in}
```

► An important comment about the third parameter `<top>`. As with `pdfscreen`, we put `\@Topmargin=<top>`. The running header fits within the top margin (this varies from standard L^AT_EX practice). The web package dimension `\web@Topmargin` is the distance from the top of the screen down to the top of the running header. Thus,

```
\@Topmargin = \web@Topmargin + \headheight + \headsep
```

Also, `\web@Topmargin` can be used to adjust the positioning of running header, which is specified in the `\margins` command. The default value of `\headheight` is `8pt`, so the value of `\headsep` is determined by the above equation. See the `web.sty` file for more details.

• Screen Design Options

For your convenience, I've included three options, `designi`, `designii` and (you guessed it) `designiii`. The first one roughly corresponds to the original screen dimensions of `web`. The other two set the screen dimensions at 4.5 in \times 5 in and 5 in \times 6 in (height \times width), respectively. You can type

```
\usepackage[designi, pdftex]{web}
```

to obtain the standard `web` dimensions.

▶ When you specify a screen design, the macros `\screensize` and `\margins` are redefined to gobble up their parameters. To define a custom screen size, therefore, do not specify a screen design option for `web`.

3.5. Hyperref Options

The `web` package loads `hyperref` into the document and sets some selected options of that package; therefore, including the `hyperref` package is not needed in the preamble of your own document.

Any additional `hyperref` options that are needed can be introduced into the package using `hyperref`'s `\hypersetup` macro, for example,

```
\documentclass{article}
```

```
\usepackage[dvipsone]{web} % or dvips or pdftex
```

```
% Declare additional hyperref options using \hypersetup  
\hypersetup{pdfpagemode=None,bookmarksopen=false}
```

Documentation of the options that `hyperref` recognizes can be had by either \LaTeX ing the file `hyperref.dtx`, or by getting a copy of the *The \LaTeX Web Companion* [5] by Michel Goossens *et al.*

3.6. The Title Page and TOC

The title page is constructed from the values of the macros: `\title`, `\author`, `\university`, `\email`, and `\version`. The values of some of the macros `\title` and `\author` are also transferred to the PDFDocInfo section of the Acrobat Reader/Exchange.

Additionally, the values of `\subject` and `\keywords` are inserted into the PDFDocInfo section.

- **Basic Information Commands**

Just fill in the values of all the basic macros briefly described above. For example, the following is a copy of the title information for this document:

```
% \title,\author,\subject,\keywords are sent to DocInfo  
\title{The Web and Exerquiz Packages Manual of Usage}
```

```

\author{D. P. Story}
\subject{How to create on-line exercises and quizzes}
\keywords{LaTeX,hyperref,PDF,exercises,quizzes}

% \university,\email,\version are used only on title page
\university{THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON\
  Mathematics and Computer Science}
\email{dpstory@uakron.edu}
\version{1.30}
\copyrightyears{1999-2002}

```

▶ The `\title`, `\author`, `\subject`, `\keywords` are a convenient way of entering information in the Document Information fields—see

File > Document Info > General... (Ctrl+D)

in the Acrobat Reader/Exchange.

If `\title` contains control sequences that do not expand to the Standard PDFDocEncoding character set, Distiller will be thrown into a tailspin; `hyperref` defines the `\texorpdfstring` macro¹ to avoid these kinds of problems. For example,

```
\title{The \texorpdfstring{\$e^x\$}{EXP} Function}
```

The first argument is the one that is typeset (on the title page, the title of the document will be ‘The e^x Function’); the second argument

¹The code for handling PDFDocEncoding for `hyperref` is due to Heiko Oberdiek

is the one that is sent to the title field of DocInfo in the Acrobat Reader (and will read ‘The EXP Function’).

Of all the **Basic Information Commands**, use `\texorpdfstring` only with the `\title`, `\author`, `\subject` and `\keywords`, all of which are used in the DocInfo field of the Acrobat Reader.

▶ `\texorpdfstring` works for `\section`, `\subsection`, etc. as well.

Having entered the information you can now type the standard sort of L^AT_EX commands of `\maketitle` and `\tableofcontents`:

```
\begin{document}
\maketitle
\tableofcontents
...
...
\end{document}
```

▶ Use the file `webeqtst.tex`, which comes with the distribution, as a prototype or template for your own document.

• Redefining `\maketitle`

The arguments of the **Basic Information Commands** macros, as just discussed, are used to define text macros with no parameters; for example, when you type `\title{Web Package}`, the macro `\title`

takes its argument and defines a macro `\webtitle` that expands to ‘Web Package’.

You can redesign the title page to suit your needs simply by redefining the `\maketitle`: rearrange the macros listed in the second column of [Table 1](#) on the page, or include a graphic, or change the background color. To redefine `\maketitle`, use the commands:

```
\renewcommand\maketitle{...your design...}
```

See the definition of `\maketitle` in the `web.sty` file for an example.

This macro	defines this macro
<code>\title</code>	<code>\webtitle</code>
<code>\author</code>	<code>\webauthor</code>
<code>\subject</code>	<code>\websubject</code>
<code>\keywords</code>	<code>\webkeywords</code>
<code>\university</code>	<code>\webuniversity</code>
<code>\email</code>	<code>\webemail</code>
<code>\version</code>	<code>\webversion</code>
<code>\copyrightyears</code>	<code>\webcopyrightyears</code>

Table 1: The Basic Information Macros

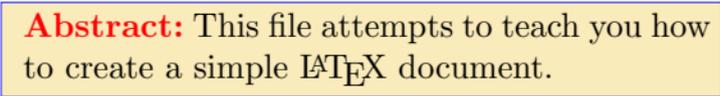
When making the design, it is useful to know that the `web` package uses `\hypertarget` to create a named destination, ‘`webtoc`’, in the

table of contents, Use this `webtoc` to jump to the table of contents using the macro `\hyperlink`.

Lastly, I have included a macro, `\optionalpagematter`, you can use to include additional material on the title page. Here is an example of usage:

```
\renewcommand\optionalpagematter{\vfill
  \begin{center}
    \fcolorbox{blue}{webyellow}{
      \begin{minipage}{.67\linewidth}
        \noindent\textcolor{red}{\textbf{Abstract:}} This
        file attempts to teach you how to create a simple
        \LaTeX\ document.
      \end{minipage}}
    \end{center}}
```

The above definition will create the framed box seen below.



Abstract: This file attempts to teach you how to create a simple L^AT_EX document.

The `\optionalpagematter` appears just below the `\webauthor` and above the directory listing. See the sample file `webeqtst.tex` for an example of this feature.

► Of course, you can rearrange everything.

- **The TOC for Web**

The `Web` style comes with its own table of contents format, as seen in the table of contents for the screen version of this document. The amount of indentation can be adjusted using `\tocindent`. The default is

```
\tocindent{20pt}
```

There is another relevant parameter, `\widestNumber`. The value of the argument of this command sets the amount of indentation for the subsection numbers. The default is

```
\widestNumber{0.0.}
```

This is a template for the subsection numbers, the default is a one digit section number and a one digit subsection number. In the preamble of this document, I've set `\widestNumber{0.00.}`, since some subsection numbers have two digits.

▶ If you prefer the standard \LaTeX , the `latexoc` option can be used.

- **The `nodirectory` option**

The inclusion of `\tableofcontents` is optional. The article you write may be short, or perhaps it may just be a collection of exercises and quizzes. In this case, you may not want a table of contents.

If you do not want a table of contents, you would not include `\tableofcontents` just after `\begin{document}`. Without a table of contents, you may as well turn off the directory listing on the cover page as well. Use the `nodirectory` option to do this:

```
\usepackage[dvips,nodirectory]{web} % dvipsone, pdftex
```

The directory listing does not appear on the title page.

- **The `latexoc` option**

If you don't like the default design for the table of contents, you can always recover the standard L^AT_EX table of contents by using the `latexoc` option with the `web` package:

```
\usepackage[latexoc]{web}
```

Should you want to go with this option, you might consider including `\hypersetup{linktocpage}`

Look at the table of contents with and without this `hyperref` option to decide which you prefer.

3.7. Template Options

The Web Package has three options (and supporting commands) for creating colored backgrounds, graphics backgrounds, and various overlays.

- **The `usetemplates` Option**

The `usetemplates` option activates the mechanism for creating colored backgrounds and graphic overlays. A complete discussion of the commands related to this option can be found in the section entitled ‘[Template Building and Management](#)’ on page 42.

▶ See the demo file `bgtest.tex` for examples.

- **The `leftpanel` and `rightpanel` Options**

When either of these two options are specified, a vertical panel is created. See ‘[Template Building and Management](#)’ on page 42 for a complete discussion of the commands related to these options.

▶ See the demo file `bgtest.tex` for examples.

3.8. Navigational Aids

The `web` package offers a couple of navigational aids to help you move around: the `navibar` Option, and some [direction icons](#).

- **A Navigational Bar**

Use the `navibar` option of `web` to add a navigational toolbar, as seen at the bottom of this page. Usage:

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>,navibar]{web}
```

The result is the navigation bar you see at the bottom of the page.

▶ The toolbar can be turned on or off by the following commands: `\NaviBarOn` and `\NaviBarOff`. The navigational toolbar at the bottom of the page was generated by the `\NaviBarOn`. `\NaviBarOff` was placed on the next page to turn off the bar.

- `\newNaviIcon`

The `\newNaviIcon` can be used to define a navigational icon. The action of the icon can be to execute a menu item, perform a hyperjump, or the execute JavaScript code. It takes six parameters:

Parameters

```
#1 = m, j, or l  
#2 = command name of the new navigational icon  
#3 = width of icon  
#4 = height of icon  
#5 = text to appear in the center of the icon.  
#6 = if m: named menu action, e.g., NextPage, PrevPage, etc.  
      if j: execute JavaScript  
      if l: \hyperlink{arg} or \href{arg}
```

Once the `\newNaviIcon` command is executed, a new icon is defined. The name of this new icon is the value of parameter #2.



► Example:

```
\newNaviIcon[m]{\myNext}{34pt}{10pt}{Next}{NextPage}
\newNaviIcon[j]{\jsWarning}{34pt}{10pt}{Hi}{app.alert("Hi there")}
\newNaviIcon[l]{\linkJump}{34pt}{10pt}{Go}{\hyperlink{page.1}}
```

By typing `\myNext` `\jsWarning` `\linkJump`, we get

Next
Hi
Go

Colors are obtained from `\@menuBgColor` for the background, and `\@menucolor` for the text.

● Direction Icons

The up arrow you see in the upper right-hand corner was constructed using colored rules and the AMS symbol font, `amssymb`. The uparrow icon was produced by the command:

```
\insertnaviiconhere{\ArrowUp{\hyperlink{webtoc}}}
```

Or, more generally,

```
\insertnaviiconhere{\ArrowUp{link_command}}
\insertnaviiconhere{\ArrowDown{link_command}}
```

This will insert direction icons on the current page (I hope).

If you want a running direction icon you can use

```
\insertnaviiconhereafter{\ArrowUp{link_command}}
```

or

```
\insertnaviiconhereafter{\ArrowDown{link_command}}
```

▶ To discontinue a running arrow icon type

```
\defaultpageheader
```

on the page you want the arrow(s) to disappear.

● `\panelNaviGroup`

When the `leftpanel` or `rightpanel` options are chosen, a (navigational) panel is created. The command `\panelNaviGroup` can be used to create the standard navigational panel.

▶ See the sample file `bgtest.tex` for an example of usage.

3.9. The Language Options

The language options redefine all of the language dependent text macros that appear on the title page, in the table of contents, and in the running headers. Invoke these options in the usual way:

```
\usepackage[<driver_opt>,<lang_opt>]{web}
```

Here, `<lang_opt>` is one of the following: `dutch`, `french`, `german`, `italian`, `norsk`, `russian`, `spanish`, `polish` and `finnish`.

The `web` and `exerquiz` packages seem to be compatible with the `babel` package; you can use

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[french]{babel}
\usepackage[dvips,french]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

subject to the usual restrictions on these language packages. (Don't use characters declared active by these languages within a `\label`, or as a field name for a quiz.)

The translations for the `french` option is due to the tremendous efforts of Jean-Michel Sarlat, and Michael Wiedmann did the translations for the `german` option.

3.10. Paper Related Options

- **The `forpaper` option**

Some people may want to create exercises using the `exercise` environment for a paper document. The `forpaper` option can be used to remove the color from the document, and to restore the standard `\textheight` of a standard `article` class L^AT_EX document. The `\textwidth` is determined by the `\screensize` and `\margins` parameters or by the design option (see [Screen Design Options](#)); conse-

quently, the line breaks are the same for the “web” version and the “print” version.

Using `forpaper` with the `latexlayout` option will give you the standard L^AT_EX `\textwidth`.

The `forpaper` option also changes the `\newpage` command to `\par\medskip` at the end of each solution—we don’t want to waste paper now do we.

Finally, there is a boolean switch `\ifeqforpaper`, which you are free to use to refine the look your `forpaper` version.

- **The `forcolorpaper` option**

Same as the `forpaper` option, but the color operators are not turned off.

- **The `latexlayout` option**

For those who want to go “totally native”, use the `latexlayout` option with the `forpaper` option. When the `latexlayout` option is used, the page layout redefinitions of `web` are bypassed, leaving the original layout values of the `article` class of L^AT_EX.

▶ If the `latexlayout` option is taken, all templates are turned off, and the `forcoloroption` is executed. To remove color, you need to

explicitly take the `forpaper` option.

3.11. Template Building and Management

The Web Package now has a template building capability. You can conveniently create backgrounds for your page, insert an arbitrary number of graphic overlays, create a left or right (navigational) side panel, define your own navigational icons that appear in the panel, and write material that will appear in a panel.

▶ The demo file for the template feature is `bgtest.tex`.

• Template options

As with `pdfscreen` by Radhakrishnan C. V., we shall have the two options, `leftpanel` and `rightpanel`. In addition to these two, there is the `usetemplates` option. Use the `usetemplates` option if you want to use colored backgrounds or overlays without a left or right panel.

The template, or overlay, capability of the Web Package requires the use of two L^AT_EX Packages: `everyshi.dtx`, by Martin Schröder, and `eso-pic.dtx`, by Rolf Niepraschk. If any of the three template options (`usetemplates`, `leftpanel` or `rightpanel`) are used, the `eso-pic` package is automatically included by `web`. The `eso-pic` package, in turn, inputs the `everyshi` package. These two packages need to be

present on your system, unpacked, and in the search path of L^AT_EX.

Templates, or overlays, are available for the `dvipsone`, `dvips`, `pdftex`, and `dvipdfm` options.

• Text Screen Template

You can specify a graphic that will be overlaid onto the text screen, that portion of the screen to which L^AT_EX content is written. If a panel option has not been specified, this is the whole screen; otherwise, it is that portion of the screen outside the panel.

If one of the options `usetemplates`, `leftpanel` or `rightpanel` is specified, the commands

```
\template{<graphics_file_name>}  
\textBgColor{<named_color>}
```

insert a background graphic and a background color, respectively, onto the text screen region. The `\template` command will rescale the graphic to cover the entire text screen region.

Additional graphics can be overlaid with the `\AddToTemplate` command.

```
\AddToTemplate{<template_name>}
```

The command takes one argument, the *template_name*. Define an overlay using `\newcommand`,

```
\newcommand\myTemplate
{%
  < commands to insert an overlay >
}
```

the *template_name* for this template is `myTemplate`. (Note that there is no backslash.) To add this template to the list graphics to be overlaid onto the page, we would type

```
\AddToTemplate{myTemplate}
```

► **Example:** Insert the “AcroT_EX” logo in lower-left corner, offset by 36pt in the *x* and *y* directions.

```
\newcommand\AEBLogo
{%
  \put(36,36){\includegraphics{acrotexlogo}}%
}
\AddToTemplate{AEBLogo}
```

Because the Web Package uses `eso-pic`, the commands will be executed within a `picture` environment. Within the `picture` environment, the reference point of the text screen is the lower-left corner. The above code puts the “AcroT_EX” logo at coordinates of (36,36) relative to the lower-left corner. The units are measured in (T_EX) points.

► **Example:** Center the logo within the text screen region.

```

\newcommand\AEBLogoCenter
{%
  \ifnum\arabic{page}>1\relax
    \parbox[b][\paperheight][c]{\textscreenwidth}
    {\centering\includegraphics{acrotexlogo}}%
  \fi
}
\AddToTemplate{AEBLogoCenter}

```

See the section titled ‘[Template Management](#)’ on page 46 for details of how to manage your templates.

• Panel Screen Template

When the `leftpanel` or `rightpanel` option is specified, a (navigational/logo) panel is created. The commands

```

\paneltemplate{<graphics_file_name>}
\textBgColor{<named_color>}

```

set the overlay graphic and the background color, respectively. The graphic is rescaled to fit the panel region.

Once the panel and its background have been defined, contents and form elements can be placed on top of the panel. The command `\buildpanel` can be used for this purpose. For example, from the sample file `bgtest.tex`,

```

\buildpanel
{%
  \href{http://www.math.uakron.edu/}
    {\includegraphics[scale=.4]{uakron}}
  \par\vspace{\stretch{1}}
  \href{http://www.math.uakron.edu/~dpstory/acrotex.html}
    {\rotatebox{-90}{\aebLogo}}
  \par\vspace{\stretch{1}}
  \panelNaviGroup           % defined in web
}

```

The content of the panel is stacked from top to bottom.

▶ Additional overlays can be added with `\AddToPanelTemplate`. This command, which works the same as `\AddPanelTemplate`, may not be as useful as `\AddPanelTemplate` as the panel overlay can always be rebuilt using `\buildpanel`.

• Template Management

In order to change backgrounds or templates, on any page, re-issue any one of the commands `\template` or `\textBgColor` (for the screen text region), or `\paneltemplate` or `\textBgColor` (for the panel region).

The panel overlay can be redesigned with `\buildpanel`, or some of the command components that make up the panel overlay can be redefined.

Templates which were inserted into the output stream with the command `\AddToTemplate` or `\AddToPanelTemplate` can also be re-defined on any page.

Templates, created by either `\AddToTemplate` or `\AddToPanelTemplate`, can also be *disabled* or *enabled* individually. For example, if the `AEBLogoCenter` template has been overlaid using the command

```
\AddToTemplate{AEBLogoCenter}
```

the template can be disabled (turned off) by typing

```
\disableTemplate{AEBLogoCenter}
```

on any page. (**Note:** The effects of this command may be not be seen until the following page.) Turn the template on by typing

```
\enableTemplate{AEBLogoCenter}
```

on any page.

For the panel region, there are *disable* and *enable* commands as well, they are `\disablePanelTemplate` and `\enablePanelTemplate`. Each of these takes a *template_name* as an argument.

There are a number of commands for *clearing* backgrounds and templates.

```
\ClearTextTemplate
```

```
\ClearPanelTemplate
```

These two clear background colors and background graphics.

`\ClearBuildPanel`

This command will clear the build panel as well as the graphics and field elements that lay on top of the panel created by the `\buildpanel` command.

`\ClearAllTemplates`

This command is equivalent to executing both `\ClearTextTemplate` and `\ClearPanelTemplate`.

`\ClearTextTemplateBuffer`

`\ClearPanelTemplateBuffer`

The commands will clear all overlays, including overlays created by `\AddToTemplate` and `\AddToPanelTemplate`.

▶ See the documentation file, `web.dtx`, for exact definitions of the commands in this section.

The Exerquiz Package

4. Overview

The `exerquiz` package provides environments for creating the following interactive elements in a PDF document.

- The `exercise` Environment: Macros for creating on-line exercises.
- The `shortquiz` Environment: Macros for creating interactive quizzes with immediate feedback.
- `shortquiz` with Solutions: Macros for creating quizzes with immediate feedback and a link to the solutions to the quizzes.
- The `quiz` Environment: Macros for creating quizzes graded by JavaScript, with an option to have the quizzes corrected using JavaScript.

In each of the quiz environments, you can pose multiple choice, math fill-in, or text fill-in questions.

The `exerquiz` provides the above listed environments for the `dvipsone`, `dvips`, `textures`, `pdftex` and `dvipdfm` options. For the case of the `dviwindo` option, only the `exercise` environment is available.

There are options for reformatting the exercises to a print format, for excluding the solutions to the exercises, for writing the solutions to

the exercises so they follow the question, and for different languages, and much more.

The `exerquiz` also allows you to rearrange the order and location of the solutions to the exercises and quizzes, to redefine many running headers, to customize the exercises and quizzes, and to use the `exercise` environment to create a new environment with its own counter—or with no counter at all.

All the above mentioned macros and the options of the package are discussed in this section.

4.1. Exerquiz and Acrobat JavaScript

`Exerquiz` now uses the `insDLJS` Package to insert Document-level JavaScripts into the PDF file. The quizzes created using the `shortquiz` or `quiz` environment are graded, marked and scored using these inserted JavaScript functions.

Because the package `insDLJS` is already loaded, it is easy for the document author to develop JavaScripts that can be called from the standard `Exerquiz` commands. The ability to write JavaScript, therefore, right in the `LATEX` document gives a unique programming flair to `Exerquiz`.

4.2. Package Requirements

The `exerquiz` package is independent of the `web` package; however, `exerquiz` utilizes `hyperref` just as `web` does. Use the latest version of `hyperref`. In addition to the `color` package, also used by `web`, `exerquiz` also uses the `verbatim` package. This is used to write verbatim solutions to exercises and quizzes to certain auxiliary files.

Results from the quizzes created by the `shortquiz` and `quiz` environments are evaluated using Document-level JavaScripts. These JavaScripts are inserted into the final PDF file using the `insdljs` package. This package makes it easy for the package writer or document author to write JavaScripts.

The `exerquiz` package uses *form features* of PDF that `web` does not use. For the interactive features to properly work, use [Acrobat Reader 5.0](#) or higher.

4.3. Basic Usage

Place in the preamble of your document

```
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

► Use `exerquiz` with the `web` package:

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>,<more_options>]{web}  
\usepackage[<options>]{exerquiz}
```

A complete list of the options recognized by `exerquiz` can be found in [Section 13](#); they are also discussed below.

No driver option with `exerquiz` is needed if you are using the `web` package. (The driver options for the `web` package are `dvipsone`, `dvips`, `pdftex`, `dvipdfm`, `dviwindo` and `textures`.)

For the `dvipdfm` option to work properly you will need `dvipdfm`, version 0.12.7b or later, and `hyperref`, version 6.68a or later.

▶ Use `hyperref` and `exerquiz` with either `dvipsone` or `dvips`:

```
\usepackage[<driver_options>,<more_options>]{hyperref}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
```

Permissible driver options are `dvipsone` and `dvips`.

▶ Use `hyperref` and `exerquiz` with `pdftex`, `dviwindo`, or `dvipdfm`

```
\usepackage[<driver_options>,<more_options>]{hyperref}
\usepackage[<driver_option>]{exerquiz}
```

See the next few paragraphs for more details.

• The `pdftex` Option

The `exerquiz` package is independent of the `web` package. Therefore, you can create your own page layout package and use `exerquiz` to help you create exercises and quizzes. Of course, `hyperref` must be used.

Should you want to use the `exerquiz` package using `pdftex` without the `web` package, use the `pdftex` option:

```
\usepackage[pdftex,<more options>]{hyperref}  
\usepackage[pdftex]{exerquiz}
```

In particular, `pdfscreen`², a screen design package written for `pdftex` by C. V. Radhakrishnan, has been tested and works correctly with `exerquiz`. For example,

```
\usepackage[screen,article,sidebar]{pdfscreen}  
\usepackage[pdftex]{exerquiz}
```

See the sample file `eq_pdfs.tex` already set up for use with `pdfscreen`, obtained by downloading the zipped file `eq_pdfs.zip`.

• The `dvipdfm` Option

Should you want to use the `exerquiz` package without the `web` package, in this case, the usage is

```
\usepackage[dvipdfm,<more_options>]{hyperref}  
\usepackage[dvipdfm]{exerquiz}
```

²CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/supported/pdfscreen

• The dviwindo Option

Beginning with version 1.3 of `web` and `exerquiz`, `dviwindo` (the `.dvi` previewer by **Y&Y, Inc.**) is supported. This means that hypertext links will be active from within the `dviwindo` previewer—as well as from within the Acrobat Reader after the file has been converted to PDF.

Should you want to use the `exerquiz` package without the `web` package, in this case, the usage is

```
\usepackage[dviwindo,<more_options>]{hyperref}
\usepackage[dviwindo]{exerquiz}
```

► **Important Note:** *Only* the `exercise` environment (the material described in [Section 5](#)) is supported by these two options. None of the `quiz` environment can be used with these two options at this time. **Y&Y** users need to use the `dvipstone` option if the a `quiz` environment is needed.

• The Language Option

The `language option`, available in the `web` package, can be invoked even when the `web` package is not used.³ Currently, `dutch`, `french`, `german`, `italian`, `norsk`, `russian`, `spanish`, `polish` and `finnish` are the supported options. For example, with `hyperref`, you could use:

³Otherwise, the `language` option is introduced as an option of the `web` package.

```
\usepackage[<driver_option>,<more_options>]{hyperref}  
\usepackage[<driver_option>,french]{exerquiz}
```

<driver_option> is any of the drivers: `dvipsone`, `dvips`, `pdftex`, `dviwindo`, or `dvipdfm`. *Note*: the <driver_option> is not needed with the `exerquiz` package with `dvipsone` or `dvips`.

• The `forpaper` Option

The `forpaper` option, also available in the `web` package, is needed in the `exerquiz` package if you are using `exerquiz` without `web`. The option is invoked in the usual way.

```
\usepackage[<options>]{hyperref} % or pdfscreen  
\usepackage[forpaper]{exerquiz}
```

See the discussion of the `forpaper` on page 40 given earlier.

• The `preview` Option

The `exerquiz` package can generate a large number of form fields: buttons, check boxes, radio buttons, and text fields. These are PDF objects and cannot be seen in a dvi previewer. By using the `preview` option, the bounding rectangles of the form objects are surrounded with rules, which outline the form fields and make their positions visible.

This option may help you to fine tune the positions of the form fields. The option is for developmental use only. When you are satisfied with the positioning and are ready to publish, remove this option.

▶ This option is not useful with the `pdftex` option, as `pdftex` does not (normally) produce a dvi file.

• The `nodljs` Option

If you are creating a document that is meant to be printed or your document only has exercises and solutions in it (which do not require JavaScript), the size of the document can be reduced significantly by using the `nodljs` option. This option is just passed on to the `insdljs` package.

• The `exercisonly` Option

If the document author only uses the `exercise` environment, then all the document-level JavaScripts of `exerquiz` are not needed. Use either one of these two equivalent options to exclude the insertion of the JavaScripts.

This is a convenience option that simply calls the `nodljs` option described above.

● The debug Option

Developing JavaScript functions can be tricky. Quite often, it is useful to insert some code lines that will help you in debugging a particular function or set of functions. For example, you might want to verify that the parameters being passed to a function are the correct ones, or that the return value is correct. You can have Acrobat write the values to its console like so:

```
console.println("Function myFunc");
console.println("Parameters: x = " + x + ", y = " + y );
console.println("Return Value: retnValue = " + retnValue);
```

In the above code, I have used the `console.println()` method, which is only available in the Acrobat application, not the Reader. For the Reader, one could use `app.alert()`, but this method is not well-suited for monitoring values of a large number variables as the script executes. If you don't have the full Acrobat, the `debug` option will not be useful.

Exerquiz just passes this option on to the `insDLJS` package. Additional details on the `debug` option can be found there. Within the `insDLJS` environment, you can place debugging code lines as follows:

```
function myFunc(x,y)
{
    retnValue = x + y;
```

```
\db console.println("Function myFunc");\db%
\db console.println("Parameters: x = " x + ", y = " + y );\db%
\db console.println("Return Value: retnValue = " + retnValue);\db%
  return retnValue;
}
```

Any line that begins with `\db` and ends with `\db` is a debugging line. These lines will be included if the `debug` option is taken; otherwise they are removed. The `%`, is the comment character within the `insDLJS` environment, and prevents, in this case, the introduction of a carriage return.

5. The `exercise` Environment

The `exerquiz` package defines `exercise` and `solution` environments, the latter being nested inside the former. With these environments, you can create questions (exercises) with solutions. Solutions are written *verbatim* to the auxiliary file `\jobname.sol`, then input back in near the end of the document. A hypertext link is created to connect the exercise with the solution.

An exercise with **multiple parts** can also be defined, with hypertext links to the solutions of the individual parts of the exercise.

The `exercise` environment has its own counter (`eqexno`), but there is an **option** for using another counter—or no counter at all.

This may be useful for creating a numbered example environment.

There is an option for placing the `solutions immediately after` the statement of the problem. This, again, may be useful for an example environment where you want the solution to the example to follow the statement, rather than being hypertext-linked to the solution.

Finally, there is an option for `hiding solutions`, in the following sense: When the `hidden` option is used, the solutions are commented out rather than being written to the `\jobname.sol` file. Additionally, there is a global option, `nohiddensolutions`; in this case, when you re- \LaTeX , the solutions are written to `\jobname.sol`, and input back into the document.

5.1. Basic Usage

The syntax for the `exercise` and `solution` environments is as follows:

```
\begin{exercise}
Your Question.
\begin{solution}
The Solution to Your Question
. . . . .
. . . . .
. . . . .
\end{solution}
\end{exercise}
```


▶ You can redefine the counter to include the section number. For example, the code

```
\renewcommand{\theeqxno}{\thesection.\arabic{eqxno}}
```

can be placed in the preamble of your document. In this case, the above exercise would appear as EXERCISE 5.1.

▶ The usual cross-referencing mechanisms for L^AT_EX, i.e., using `\ref` and `\pageref`, work as expected.

For example, the label `\label{ex:int}` was placed just after the `\begin{exercise}` on the previous page. Let us now reference Exercise 1, on page 60.

```
let us now reference Exercise~\ref{ex:int},
on~\pageref{ex:int}.
```

Of course, the nicer looking variations can be done as well. For example, see EXERCISE 1.

```
\hyperref[ex:int]{\textsc{Exercise~\ref*{ex:int}}}
```

The `*`-form of `\ref` was used to turn off the redundant link creation. (`hyperref` would normally make the `\ref` macro into a link.)

▶ An ‘EXERCISE’ that is also a hypertext link appears in the default color `green`; if an ‘EXERCISE’ is not a link, it appears in `blue`. (The word ‘EXERCISE’ is not a link if it is a `exercise with parts`, or if the

`nosolutions` options is used. Finally, if the `web` option `forpaper` is used, color is turned off and ‘EXERCISE’ appears in black.

► **Caveat:** There is one problem you might watch for. There is an optional argument to the `solution` environment. When \LaTeX searches the source looking for the optional parameter, which may not exist, it expands macros looking for a ‘[’. This causes problem when you have a solution that begins with a math display environment and \LaTeX prematurely expands such an environment.

EXERCISE 2. Write an equation of a line that crosses the x - and y -axes at 1.

To prevent \LaTeX errors that will stop the compilation, just place a `\relax` prior to the math environment. The code for the previous exercise is

```
\begin{exercise}
Write an equation of a line that crosses
the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes at 1.
\begin{solution}
\relax\begin{equation*}
\boxed{x+y=1}
\end{equation*}
\end{solution}
\end{exercise}
```

This is only necessary if the solution does not begin with text.

● An exercise with Parts

There is a `*`-option with the `exercise` environment. Using it signals the presence of a multiple part exercise question. The syntax is as follows:

```
\begin{exercise}*           % *-option
Preamble for your multi-parted question.
\begin{parts}              % begin listing of the parts
\item First question.
\begin{solution}
Solution to first question.
\end{solution}
...
...
\item Final question.
\begin{solution}
Solution to the final question.
\end{solution}
\end{parts}                % end listing of parts
\end{exercise}
```

The following exercise illustrates this option. This example appears in the demo file `webeqtst.tex`.

EXERCISE 3. Suppose a particle is moving along the s -axis, and that its position at any time t is given by $s = t^2 - 5t + 1$.

- (a) Find the velocity, v , of the particle at any time t .
- (b) Find the acceleration, a , of the particle at any time t .

There is also an option for listing multipart questions in tabular form.

EXERCISE 4. Simplify each of the following expressions in the complex number system. *Note:* \bar{z} is the conjugate of z ; $\operatorname{Re} z$ is the real part of z and $\operatorname{Im} z$ is the imaginary part of z .

- (a) i^2
- (b) i^3
- (c) $z + \bar{z}$
- (d) $1/z$

The syntax is the same as an exercise with multipart.

```
\begin{exercise}* % <- star indicates multipart
Simplify each...
\begin{parts}[2] % <- optional argument indicates tabular
\item  $i^2$ 
\begin{solution}  $i^2 = -1$  \end{solution}
&
\item  $i^3$  \begin{solution}  $i^3 = i i^2 = -i$  \end{solution}
\\
\item  $z + \bar{z}$ 
\begin{solution}  $z + \bar{z} = \operatorname{Re} z$  \end{solution}
&
```

```
...
\end{solution}
\end{parts}
\end{exercise}
```

- ▶ This problem style does not obey the `solutionsafter` option. (See ‘[The `solutionsafter` option](#)’ on page 71).
- ▶ The sample file `webeqtst.tex` contains this particular example.

5.2. Options of the `exercise` Environment

- **Leaving Vertical Space instead of a Solution**

The `exercise` environment can be used for test construction. Initially, you may want to pose a questions and leave space beneath for the student to write in an answer.

The `solutions` environment has an optional parameter for inserting a vertical space.

```
\begin{exercise}
This is the question.
\begin{solution}[1in]    % <-- optional vertical skip
This is the solution.
\end{solution}
\end{exercise}
```

This vertical space only appears when the `nosolutions` option is in effect.

Within the context of test construction, write the test (including the solutions), then publish it with the `nosolutions` option (leaving vertical spaces as appropriate), then publish the key with the `solutionsafter` option. (If `solutionsafter` and `nosolutions` both appear in the option list, `solutionsafter` overrides `nosolutions`.)

▶ The optional parameter for the solution is ignored for exercises with parts having a tabular format ([Example 4](#) is an example of a tabular multipart exercise).

• Hiding some Solutions

A subset of the solutions can be hidden by using the ‘h’ option. This option is an option of the `exercise` environment, as well as an option of `\item`, when there is an exercise with parts. For example, the following code

```
\begin{exercise}[h] % <- hide solution
Give an example of a set that is \textit{clopen}.
\begin{solution}
The real number line is both closed and open in the
usual topology of the real line.
\end{solution}
```

```
\end{exercise}
```

yields the following exercise.

EXERCISE 5. Give an example of a set that is *clopen*.

Notice that there is no hypertext link to the solution; indeed, the solution was not even written to the `\jobname.sol` file.

The ‘h’ option works with exercises with parts as well. Just apply the ‘h’ option to the `\item`:

```
\begin{exercise}*

```

```
A particle has position  $s=t^2 - 5t + 1$  at time  $t$ .
```

```
\begin{parts}

```

```
\item Find the velocity,  $v$ , at time  $t$ .
```

```
\begin{solution}

```

```
 $v = 2t - 5$ .
```

```
\end{solution}

```

```
% This solution will not be included in the solutions
% section at the end of the document.

```

```
\item[h] Find the acceleration,  $a$ , at time  $t$ .
```

```
\begin{solution}

```

```
 $a = 2$ .
```

```
\end{solution}

```

```
\end{parts}

```

```
\end{exercise}

```

The results of this code follow:

EXERCISE 6. A particle has position $s = t^2 - 5t + 1$ at time t .

- (a) Find the velocity, v , at time t .
- (b) Find the acceleration, a , at time t .

Part (a) is hypertext linked to its solution, whereas part (b) is blue, indicating there is no link there.

▶ Multipart exercises in the tabular format behave the same way; use `\item[h]` to “hide” a solution.

▶ There is also an ‘H’ option as well. Specifying ‘H’ also hides the solutions. See the next two sections for a discussion of revealing the solutions marked by either ‘h’ or ‘H’ to understand the distinction between the two.

• The `nohiddensolutions` Option

Hidden solutions can be included in the document by either removing the ‘h’ option everywhere and re- \LaTeX ing, or by simply using the `nohiddensolutions` of `exerquiz`.

```
\usepackage[nohiddensolutions]{exerquiz}
```

This option overrides the local ‘h’ option throughout the document.

▶ When the `solutionsafter` option of `exerquiz` is invoked, the hidden solutions are also revealed. To keep the solutions hidden, in this case, you should use ‘H’ option instead of ‘h’. See the next section.

• The `noHiddensolutions` Option

In addition to the ‘h’, you can also use the ‘H’ option with exercises. The solution will be hidden with ‘H’, but will not be revealed when either the `nohiddensolutions` or the `solutionsafter` options are used.

The ‘H’ option can be overridden by using the `noHiddensolutions` of `exerquiz`.

```
\usepackage[noHiddensolutions]{exerquiz}
```

This option overrides the local ‘h’ option throughout the document.

• The `exercise environment` Counter

The counter for the `exercise` environment is `eqexno`, and will number your exercises consecutively throughout the document. Should you want the counter to be reset after each `section`, place in the preamble of your document the following lines:

```
\makeatletter
\@addtoreset{eqexno}{section}
\makeatother
```

- **The `nosolutions` option**

Some educators may initially want to post a series of exercises on the Web without the solutions. Then, at a later date, repost the exercises with the solutions included. For this application there is the `nosolutions` option for the `exerquiz` package.

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[pdftex]{web} % dviposone, dvips or dvipdfm
\usepackage[nosolutions]{exerquiz}
```

For this kind of application, it might make sense to publish the exercises with the `forpaper` option.

- **The option `noquizzesolutions`**

For online quizzing, where results are stored in some way (database, e-mail, text file) the presence of the solutions in the same file as the questions is a breach in security of the quiz. Using the `noquizzesolutions` removes the solutions from the document under construction.

- **The `solutionsafter` option**

For additional flexibility with how you want the solutions to the exercises presented, there is a `solutionsafter` option with `exerquiz`. Should you invoke this option,

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[dvipsone]{web} % dvips or pdftex
\usepackage[solutionsafter]{exerquiz}
```

the solutions to the exercises appear just *after* the exercise question. For example,

EXERCISE 7. Let V be a vector space, show that the zero vector, $\mathbf{0}$, is unique.

Solution: Let $\mathbf{0}'$ be a vector that satisfies the axiom of being a zero of the vector space V . We want to show $\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}'$. Since $\mathbf{0}$ is a zero, we have $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0}' = \mathbf{0}'$. But we are assuming $\mathbf{0}'$ is a zero vector as well, hence, $\mathbf{0}' + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$. Finally,

$$\mathbf{0}' = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0}' = \mathbf{0}' + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$$

and this completes the proof.

Exercise 7

The option `solutionsafter` is global; all exercises will be typeset this way—unless you change it within the document using the macros

`\SolutionsAfter` and `\SolutionsAtEnd`. This manual was typeset without the `solutionsafter` option. The above example was typeset as follows:

```
\SolutionsAfter % show solution following exercise
\begin{exercise}
Let  $V$  be a vector space, show ...
\begin{solution}
.....
\end{solution}
\end{exercise}
\SolutionsAtEnd % turn back on solutions at of document
```

Normally, a typical document might have all solutions at the end of the document (the default behavior), or all solutions following each exercise (`solutionsafter` option). Mixtures of these two types can be obtained by using the two commands `\SolutionsAfter` and `\SolutionsAtEnd`.

This feature might be an easy way of typesetting examples. See the paragraph ‘[Redesigning the exercise Environment](#)’ on page 73 for an example of setting up an `example` environment.

▶ The `solutionsafter` option has no effect on multipart exercises in *tabular form*; I haven’t been able to find a convenient way of displaying the solutions after the questions when the questions are in tabular

form.

▶ See the files `webeqtst.pdf` and `hw02.pdf` (and their source files) for examples.

• Moving the Solution Set

The solution set, by default, comes last in the file. You can move its positioning by including the command `\includeexersolutions` at any point *after* the last exercise. You'll note that I have moved the solutions in this file before the `References` section, as indicated, for example, by its position in the table of contents.

5.3. Redesigning the exercise Environment

You can customize the `exercise` environment to suit your own needs. To customize, you need to change some or all of the following six commands. In the listing below, the \LaTeX definition of each follows a short description.

1. `\exlabel`: This command expands to the name of the exercise label, the default string is 'Exercise'.

```
\newcommand\exlabel{Exercise}
```

2. `\exlabelformat`: Typesets the exercise label; use it to introduce additional type style such as boldface, italic, small caps, etc.

```
\newcommand\exlabelformat{%
  {\scshape\exlabel\ \theeqexno.}}
```

3. `\exlabelsol`: Expands to the name of the exercise label in the solutions section. Usually its value is the same as `\exlabel`.

```
\newcommand\exlabelsol{\exlabel}
```

4. `\exsllabelformat`: The format of the solutions label, the default is `'\bfseries\exlabel'`.

```
\newcommand\exsllabelformat
  {\noexpand\textbf{\exlabelsol\ \theeqexno.}}
```

5. `\exrtnlabelformat`: This is the label you click on to return from the solution of the exercise.

```
\newcommand\exrtnlabelformat{\exlabelsol\ \theeqexno}
```

6. `\exsectitle`: The section title of the solutions to the exercises.

```
\newcommand\exsectitle{Solutions to \exlabel s}
```

7. `\exsecrunhead`: The running header for the solution section for the exercises.

```
\newcommand\exsecrunhead{\exsectitle}
```

▶ The counter `eqexno` is used to count exercises. When the `exercise` environment starts, this counter is incremented. Normally, the values of this counter figures into the definitions of `\exlabelformat`,

`\exsllabelformat` and `\exrtnlabelformat`. Still, the use of `eqexno` is optional; for example, you might want to state a problem just as ‘Special Exercise’, without an associated exercise number.

Below is an example of redefining the `exercise` environment. We define a `problem` environment based on the `exercise` environment.

```
\newenvironment{problem}{%
\renewcommand\exlabel{Problem}
\renewcommand\exlabelformat{\textbf{\exlabel\ \theeqexno.}}
\renewcommand\exsllabelformat
  {\noexpand\textbf{\exlabel\ \theeqexno}}
\renewcommand\exrtnlabelformat{${\blacktriangleleft}$}
\renewcommand\exsecrunhead{\exsectitle}
\begin{exercise}}%
{\end{exercise}}
```

See any standard L^AT_EX reference on how to define a new environment, for example [3].

Here is an example of the new `problem` environment:

Problem 8. This is a question.

The code for this problem was simply:

```
\begin{problem}
This is a question.
\begin{solution}
```

This is the solution.

```
\end{solution}
\end{problem}
```

▶ Two of these commands must be handled with special care, they are `\exsllabelformat` and `\exrtnlabelformat`; formatting such as `\textbf` or `\scseries` must be preceded by a `\noexpand`. These commands are written to a file, and must be prevented from expanding.

When you use the `exercise` environment, the counter `eqexno` is automatically incremented by default. The `exercise` does have an optional argument for inserting your own counter.

```
\begin{exercise}[<ctr>]
.....
\end{exercise}
```

Where `<ctr>` is a counter already defined. This option is useful if you want to use the `exercise` environment to create a new environment with its own numbering scheme, as the following example illustrates.

This example demonstrates how to define an `example` environment with its own counter. For examples, we don't want the solutions to appear at the end of the file, so we'll use `\SolutionsAfter` and `\SolutionsAtEnd`. All changes are local.

```
% put a counter in preamble
\newcounter{exampleno}
```

```

\newenvironment{example}{%
\renewcommand\exlabel{Example}
\renewcommand\exlabelformat
  {\textbf{\exlabel\ \theexampleno.}}
\renewcommand\extrnlabelformat{\$\square\$}
\SolutionsAfter
\begin{exercise}[exampleno]}%
{\end{exercise}}
\SolutionsAtEnd}

```

Now we simply type

```

\begin{example}
What is  $2+2$ ?
\begin{solution}
It is well known that  $2+2=4$ .
\end{solution}
\end{example}

```

to obtain

Example 1. What is $2 + 2$?

Solution: It is well known that $2 + 2 = 4$. □

The changes are local to the new `example` environment. If we have another exercise, we get a correctly numbered exercise.

EXERCISE 9. What is $2 + 2$?

► The command `\exsolafter` typesets the solution label to the exercise in the case the `solutionsafter` option is in effect. The default value of `\exsolafter` is `\textit{Solution}`: You can redefine it as follows:

```
\renewcommand\exsolafter{\textsl{L"osung}}}
```

This redefinition yields:

Example 2. What is $2 + 2$?

Lösung: It is well known that $2 + 2 = 4$. □

► There is a special option to the `exercise` environment as well,

```
\begin{exercise}[0]
.....
\end{exercise}
```

When the optional argument is 0 rather than a counter. In this case, no counter is associated with the environment. For example,

```
\newenvironment{project}{%
\renewcommand\exlabel{Project}
\renewcommand\exlabelformat{\textbf{\exlabel. }}
\renewcommand\exsllabelformat
{noexpand\textbf{\exlabel\ Hint:}}
\renewcommand\exrtnlabelformat{\blacktriangleleft}
\begin{exercise}[0]}%
```

```
{\end{exercise}}
```

Thus, we obtain,

Project. Find a shorter proof of FERMAT'S LAST THEOREM. Do not look at the project hints until you have finished the project.

The code:

```
\begin{project}
Find a shorter proof of \textsc{Fermat's Last Theorem}. Do not
look at the project hints until you have finished the project.
\begin{solution}
There, you didn't need my help after all.
\end{solution}
\end{project}
```

Note that the solutions are typeset at the end of the file in the ‘Solutions to Exercises’ section. At this time, there is no feature for sorting out these different types of environments; they are all `exercise` environments, which is what they are.

► Finally, see the sample file `hw01.tex` that illustrates how to change all the labels. The file also demonstrates how `web` and `exerquiz` can be used to post problems on the Internet, or on paper, with or without solutions included.

6. The `shortquiz` Environment

The `shortquiz` environment is used to create multiple choice question and math/text fill-in questions with immediate response. The discussion of math and text fill-in questions is post-phoned to [Section 8](#), entitled [Objective Style Questions](#). The environment allows redefinition to customize the look of your the quizzes. (See the paragraph entitled [‘Redesigning the `shortquiz` Environment’](#) on page 92.)

6.1. Basic Usage

The syntax for the environment (`tabular` version) is as follows:

```
\begin{shortquiz}                % begin shortquiz
...Question goes here...
\begin{answers}{num_cols}        % begin proposed answers
...
\Ans0 <an incorrect answer> &    % a wrong answer
...
\Ans1 <a correct answer> &       % the right answer
...
\end{answers}                    % end listing of answers
\end{shortquiz}                  % end shortquiz
```

The parameter `num_cols` is the number of columns you want to typeset for your multiple choice responses. The environment sets up a `tabular`

environment if `num_cols` is greater than 1, and a `list` environment if `num_cols` is 1.

This type of quiz is suitable for asking a short series of question of the reader, perhaps after explaining some concept. Quizzes can be used to direct the reader's attention to an important point.

► Here is an example of the `shortquiz` environment. Responses are graded without comment using JavaScript.

Quiz Which of the following is the $\frac{d}{dx}\sin(x^3)$?

- (a) $\sin(3x^2)$ (b) $\cos(x^3)$ (c) $3x^2 \cos(x^3)$ (d) $3x^2 \cos(3x^2)$

The verbatim listing follows:

```
\begin{shortquiz}           % begin shortquiz environment
Which of the following is the  $\frac{d}{dx}\{\sin(x^3)\}$ ?
\begin{answers}{4}         % 4 columns of answers
  \Ans0  $\sin(3x^2)$  & % \Ans0 is a false answer
  \Ans0  $\cos(x^3)$  &
  \Ans1  $3x^2\cos(x^3)$  & % \Ans1 is the correct answer
  \Ans0  $3x^2\cos(3x^2)$ 
\end{answers}             % end answers environment
\end{shortquiz}           % end shortquiz environment
```

If `num_cols` is greater than 1, the `answers` sets up a `tabular` environment with `p{<width>}` to set up the columns. The `\parboxes` are

typeset ragged right.

► Below is a two-column example in which the posed alternatives are rather long. The `answers` environment produces a nicely aligned set of paragraphs.

Quiz Which of the following best describes Augustin Cauchy?

- | | |
|--|---|
| (a) He developed the Calculus while his University was closed for the plague. | (b) Given credit for first using the functional notation $f(x)$. |
| (c) He created the “bell-shaped curve” and first used the method of least squares. | (d) He first formulated a precise definition of the limit and continuity of a function. |
| (e) Gave a rigorous definition of the definite integral—an integral that now bears his name. | (f) His notation for the derivative and the integral is used even to this day. |

Here is the same example in which the `num_cols` is set to 1; in this case, a `list` environment is used.

Quiz Which of the following best describes Augustin Cauchy?

- (a) He developed the Calculus while his University was closed for the plague.

- (b) Given credit for first using the functional notation $f(x)$.
- (c) He created the “bell-shaped curve” and first used the method of least squares.
- (d) He first formulated a precise definition of the limit and continuity of a function.
- (e) Gave a rigorous definition of the definite integral—an integral that now bears his name.
- (f) His notation for the derivative and the integral is used even to this day.

See the sample files `webeqtst.tex` and `qz01.tex` for examples. The later file gives examples of how to redefine some of the standard `shortquiz` labels.

• `shortquiz` with Radio Buttons

The short quizzes (with multiple choices) can also be laid out using radio buttons rather than type set lettering of alternatives. Use a `*`-option as the first parameter of the `shortquiz` environment, and follow up with an optional argument the value of which is a unique name (which will be used to construct the titles of the radio buttons).

For example, the following code

```
\begin{shortquiz}*[KublaKhan]
Was it in Xanadu did Kubla Kahn a stately pleasure dome decree?
\begin{answers}{4}
\Ans1 True & \Ans0 False
\end{answers}
\end{shortquiz}
```

yields the following question:

Quiz Was it in Xanadu did Kubla Kahn a stately pleasure dome decree?

True

False

Check the functionality of this question, and contrast it with the same question.

Quiz Was it in Xanadu did Kubla Kahn a stately pleasure dome decree?

True

False

Here we have inserted two new commands prior to this last short quiz `\sqTurnOffAlerts` and `\sqCorrections` to change response feedback. The former turns off the alerts and the latter turns on the corrections: check for a correct answer and an cross for an incorrect answer. (It doesn't make sense to `\sqTurnOffAlerts` without

`\sqCorrections`; `\sqCorrections` can be used without turning off the alerts.)

▶ These two commands only apply to a short quiz that uses radio buttons. You can reverse these two commands with `\sqTurnOnAlerts` and `\sqNoCorrections`, respectively. These settings are the defaults of the `shortquiz` with check boxes.

• `shortquiz` with Solutions

Another type of quiz that is easy to implement in PDF is the multiple choice quiz with immediate response with solution given. This too is a `shortquiz` environment:

```
\begin{shortquiz}
...Question goes here...
\begin{answers}[<name>]{<num_cols>}
...
\Ans0 <an incorrect answer> &
...
\Ans1 <a correct answer> &
...
\end{answers}
\begin{solution}
...Solution to correct answer goes here...
\end{solution}
\end{shortquiz}
```

The `<name>` is a name used to create a hypertext jump to the solution; `<name>` will be the “named destination.” As before, `<num_cols>` is the number of columns to typeset the answers in.

The following example illustrates the quiz with solution.

Quiz Define a function $f(s) = 4s^3$ and another function $F(t) = t^4$. Is F an antiderivative of f ?

- (a) Yes (b) No

The verbatim listing:

```
\begin{shortquiz}
Define a function  $f(s)=4s^3$  and another
function  $F(t)=t^4$ . Is  $F$  an antiderivative of  $f$ ?
\begin{answers}[quiz:anti]{4}
\Ans1 Yes &\Ans0 No
\end{answers}
\begin{solution}
The answer is ‘Yes’. The definition requires that
$$
          F'(x) = f(x) \quad \text{for all } x,
        $$
well, let’s check it out.
.....
.....
Therefore,
```

```

$$
      F'(x) = 4x^3 = f(x)\quad\text{for all } x$,}
$$
as required by the definition.
\end{solution}
\end{shortquiz}

```

• The questions Environment

The `questions` environment was designed to work with the `quiz` environment—taken up in [Section 7](#) below—but it works equally well with `shortquiz`.

Using the `questions` environment, quizzes defined by `shortquiz`, with/without solutions, can be mixed together and combined to make a “mini-quiz”. For example,

Quiz Determine the LCD for each of the following.

1. $\frac{3x}{2y^2z^3} - \frac{2}{xy^3z^2}$.

(a) LCD = $2xy^5z^5$

(b) LCD = $2y^3z^3$

(c) LCD = $2xy^3z^3$

(d) LCD = $2xy^3z^5$

2. $\frac{x+y}{3x^{3/2}y^2} - \frac{x^2+y^2}{6xy^4}$.

(a) $LCD = 18x^{3/2}y^4$

(b) $LCD = 6x^{3/2}y^4$

(c) $LCD = 18xy^4$

(d) $LCD = 6xy^4$

The first question is given without a solution, the second has a solution attached to it. An abbreviated verbatim listing follows.

```
\begin{shortquiz}
Determine the LCD for each of the following.
\begin{questions}
\item  $\frac{3x}{2y^2z^3} - \frac{2}{xy^3z^2}$ $.
\begin{answers}2
...
\end{answers}
\item  $\frac{x+y}{3x^{3/2}y^2} - \frac{x^2+y^2}{6xy^4}$ $.
\begin{answers}[quiz:LCB]2
...
\end{answers}
\begin{solution}
If you erred on this one, ... ..
\end{solution}
\end{questions}
\end{shortquiz}
```

6.2. Options of the `shortquiz` Environment

- **The `forpaper` option**

The `forpaper` option has already been described. The solutions to `shortquiz` questions are not typeset on separate pages, but are separated by a `\medskip`.

Following up on the pretest angle first discussed in an earlier paragraph, [Redesigning the `shortquiz` Environment](#), page 92, a single document can be constructed that can be published on-line, or published for paper distribution. This feature may be useful to some educators.

By the way, if you want to create a series of multiple choice questions with solutions, you must make up a lot of named destinations (the optional argument of the `answers` environment). Alternately, you can let \LaTeX assign the names for you, which provides for you a uniform naming system. You can use `questionno` to do this:

```
\begin{shortquiz} Answer each, then look at solutions.
\begin{questions}
  \item ...
    \begin{answers}[quiz:\thequestionno]{4}
      ...
    \end{answers}
  \begin{solution}
    ...
  \end{solution}
\end{questions}
```

```
\item ...
  \begin{answers}[quiz:\thequestionno]{4}
    ...
  \end{answers}
  \begin{solution}
    ...
  \end{solution}
\end{questions}
\end{shortquiz}
```

• The `solutionsafter` Option

The `solutionsafter` option works as described for the `exercise` environment. The option just sets a boolean switch. This switch can be controlled locally with `\SolutionsAfter` and `\SolutionsAtEnd`. Here is a simple example.

Quiz In what year did Columbus sail the ocean blue?

- (a) 1490 (b) 1491 (c) 1492 (d) 1493

Solution: Columbus sailed the ocean blue in 1492. Some say he discovered San Salvatore, others say he first sited Cat Island in the Bahamas. ■

Here, I have surrounded the `shortquiz` environment with the com-

mand `\SolutionsAfter` before the environment, and with the command `\SolutionsAtEnd` just after.

This option may be useful in publishing an answer key to a multiple choice quiz. The quiz and solutions can be created together. The quiz can be published, then later, the quiz with complete solutions.

• The proofing Option

For proofreading, use the `proofing` option of `exerquiz`.

```
\usepackage[proofing]{exerquiz}
```

When used, a symbol, defined by the command `\proofingsymbol`, will mark the correct answers, as defined in your source file. The command `\proofingsymbol` can be redefined, its definition is

```
\newcommand\proofingsymbol{\textcolor{webgreen}{\bullet}}
```

This option works for the `quiz` environment defined below (page 95), as well.

• Moving the Solution Set

The solution set, by default, comes last in the file. You can move its positioning by including the command `\includequizzesolutions` at any point *after* the last exercise. You'll note that I have moved the

solutions in this file before the [References](#) section, as indicated, for example, by its position in the table of contents.

6.3. Redesigning the `shortquiz` Environment

The `shortquiz` environment can be redesigned to better suit your needs. In the paragraphs below, we describe how you can change titles and form elements.

- **Changing Titles**

You can temporarily change the title for the `shortquiz` environment by redefining the macro `\sqlabel`; for example, the default definition of this macro is

```
\newcommand\sqlabel{\textcolor{red}{Quiz.}}
```

The syntax for redefining `\sqlabel` is

```
\renewcommand\sqlabel{...new code goes here...}
```

You can redefine the *default* label as well; the default label is the title label that `shortquiz` uses when `\sqlabel` is *not present*. The default label is `\eq@sqlabel` and must be redefined using the macro `\renewcommand`. The best place for this to be done is the preamble.

The syntax:

```

\makeatletter      % make 'at'=@ a normal letter
\renewcommand\eq@sqlabel{...new code goes here...}
\makeatother      % make 'at'=@ something special(other)

```

To change the entire document to use ‘Exam’ instead of ‘Quiz’, make the following changes in the preamble:

```

\makeatletter
% change default quiz title to 'Exam'
\renewcommand\eq@sqlabel{\textcolor{red}{Exam.}}
% change quiz solutions return label
\renewcommand\eq@sqlrtnlabel{End Exam}
% change solutions label
\renewcommand\eq@qsllabel{%
  \string\textbf{Solution to Exam:}}
\renewcommand\eq@qslsectitle{Solutions to Exams}
% change default running header for solutions
\renewcommand\eq@qslsecrunhead{Solutions to Exams}
\makeatother

```

► The above commands are ‘global’—they are in effect throughout the entire document. You can temporarily change these labels using the `\sqlabel`, `\sqlrtnlabel`, `\qsllabel` and `\qslsectitle`. Note that you cannot temporarily change `\eq@qslsecrunhead`, the running label—this should be set in the preamble.

Should you want to make a series of multiple choice questions (using the `questions` environment) and combine them into a sort of

review or pretest, a useful idea would be to number the solutions. The counter that maintains the question number is called `questionno`. You can then, for example, define

```
\renewcommand\eq@sqsllabel{%
  \string\textbf{Solution to Question \thequestionno:}}
```

▶ See the sample files `webeqtst.tex` and `qz01.tex` for examples. The later file gives examples of how to redefine some of the standard `shortquiz` labels.

• Modifying Form Elements

For quizzes that use radio buttons (see page 83 above), the appearance of the radio buttons can be controlled using the “every” mechanism as described in the document `eFormMan.pdf` on *eForm Support* for the `AcroTeX Bundle`. The radio buttons can be modified using `\everysqRadioButton`.

Prior to the short quiz below, the following command was executed

```
\everysqRadioButton{\BC{.690 .769 .871}\BG{.941 1 .941}}
```

Quiz Was it in Xanadu did Kubla Kahn a stately pleasure dome decree?

True

False

Return to the defaults, if desired, by then emitting

```
\everysoqRadioButton{}
```

► The short quiz can also have fill-in questions and various other controls, these are described in Section 8.4, [The `shortquiz` Environment](#). There too, methods of modifying the appearance of the form elements are discussed.

7. The `quiz` Environment

Use the `quiz` environment to create graded quizzes. In this case, several (many) questions are bundled together. The student takes the quiz and responses are recorded by JavaScript. Upon completion of the quiz, the total score is reported to the student.

The `quiz` environment can generate multiple choice questions and math/text fill-in questions. The discussion of math and text fill-in questions is postponed to [Section 8](#) on page 118

There are two types of quizzes, the [link-style](#) and [form-style](#). In [Section 7.2](#), we see that the `quiz` environment can also correct the quizzes.

The `quiz` environment consists of a series of nested environments. Inside the `quiz` environment is the `questions` environment (an enu-

merated list), and within that environment is the `answers` environment. Symbolically, we can express this as

$$\text{quiz} \supseteq \text{questions} \supseteq \text{answers}$$

The term ‘answers’ is, perhaps, not sufficiently descriptive; ‘alternatives’ would be more appropriate, but it requires more typing. :-)

► The `answers` environment requires one parameter, the `num_cols`. If `num_cols` is 1, a `list` environment is created; otherwise, a `tabular` environment is used.

This (`tabular`) environment has the following syntax:

```
\begin{quiz}{quizfieldname}
The preamble to the questions goes here.
\begin{questions}
\item State first question....
\begin{answers}4 % <- num_cols = 4
\Ans0 ... &\Ans1 ... &\Ans0 ... &\Ans0 ...
\end{answers}
...
\item n th question....
\begin{answers}4 % <- 4 column format
\Ans0 ... &\Ans1 ... &\Ans0 ... &\Ans0 ...
\end{answers}
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}
```

► Following the quiz, or anywhere in the document, place the macro `\ScoreField`, defined in `exerquiz`, to display the results of the quiz:

```
\ScoreField{quizfieldname}
```

Important. The value of the parameter of the macro `\ScoreField` must match the `quizfieldname` defined in the argument of the `quiz` environment.

► There is a convenience macro, `\currQuiz`, that holds the name of the current quiz. Thus, we could have instead typed:

```
\ScoreField\currQuiz
```

Read the paragraph entitled ‘[The Score Field](#)’ on page 115 for more details on this macro.

7.1. Basic Usage

In this section we discuss the two basic `quiz` styles: [Link-Style Quiz](#) and [Form-Style Quiz](#).

A paragraph is devoted to some modification that can be made at the beginning and end of the quiz. In addition, a [proofing](#) option is also described.

• Link-Style Quiz

This style uses links to record the choices to the alternatives. The link method takes up less space in the pdf file than does the form-style.

Below is an example of a link-style quiz. Instructions should be given to guide the student in operating the quiz correctly.

Instructions. You must click on ‘Begin Quiz’ to initialize the quiz. Not doing so brings forth an error message. When finished, click on ‘End Quiz’.

Begin Quiz Using the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac$, respond to each of the following questions.

1. Is the quadratic polynomial $x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?
(a) Yes (b) No
2. Is the quadratic polynomial $2x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?
(a) Yes (b) No
3. How many solutions does the equation $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$ have?
(a) none (b) one (c) two

End Quiz

► While you are taking the test, and before you click on ‘End Quiz’, you can change your answers. A message box comes out, gives you your original choice, and asks you whether you really want to change your answer.

```
\begin{quiz}{qzdiscr1} % qz:discr=quiz field name
Using the discriminant,  $b^2-4ac$ , respond to each of the
following questions.
\begin{questions}
\item Is the quadratic polynomial  $x^2-4x + 3$  irreducible?
\begin{answers}4
\Ans0 Yes &\Ans1 No
\end{answers}
\item Is the quadratic polynomial  $2x^2-4x+3$  irreducible?
\begin{answers}4
\Ans1 Yes &\Ans0 No
\end{answers}
\item How many solutions does the equation  $2x^2-3x-2=0$  have?
\begin{answers}4
\Ans0 none &\Ans0 one &\Ans1 two
\end{answers}
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}\par
\ScoreField\currQuiz % matching quiz field name
```

► The convenience text macro, `\currQuiz`, contains the name of the the current quiz. This macro can be used as the argument of

`\ScoreField`.

• Form-Style Quiz

You may be thinking that such a quiz format—one in which the student cannot see the choices made—is not very good. It is perhaps adequate for two or three quick questions. For a longer quiz format, one would like to see a “checkbox” format. A quiz with a checkbox format can be obtained using the `*`-form of the `quiz` environment:

```
\begin{quiz}*{quizfieldname}
...
...same format as before...
...
\end{quiz}
```

Here is the same sample quiz with the `form-style` option. The only change in the code is the insertion of the `*`-option.

Instructions. You must click on ‘Begin Quiz’ to initialize the quiz. Not doing so, brings forth an error message. When finished, click on ‘End Quiz’.

Begin Quiz Using the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac$, respond to each of the following questions.

1. Is the quadratic polynomial $x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?

Yes

No

2. Is the quadratic polynomial $2x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?

Yes

No

3. How many solutions does the equation $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$ have?

none

one

two

End Quiz

► Before completing the quiz, a student can easily change alternatives.

► This type is more suitable for longer quizzes. The choices the student makes are visually recorded for the student to review and change before clicking on ‘End Quiz’. A partial verbatim listing:

```
\begin{quiz}*{qzdiscrf}
```

```
Using the discriminant,  $b^2-4ac$ , respond to each of the
following questions.
```

```
\begin{questions}
```

```
.....
```

```
.....
```

```
\end{questions}
```

```
\end{quiz}\par
```

```
\ScoreField{qzdiscrf}
```

▶ See the sample files `webeqstst.tex` and `qz02.tex` for examples. The later file gives examples of how to customize `quiz`.

• Overriding the ‘`quiztype`’ Parameter

You can globally declare that all quizzes to be a link-type or form-type by using the command `\quiztype`. Placing `\quiztype{f}` in the preamble (or prior to any quiz) will cause all quizzes following that command to be form-type quizzes. Similarly, `\quiztype{l}` will produce all link-type quizzes.

The command `\quiztype` causes the `quiz` environment to ignore the first optional parameter (the ‘*’). You can make the environment obey this optional parameter by using `\defaultquiztype`.

The sample file `quizpts.tex` illustrates these collections of commands.

• The `BeginQuiz` and `EndQuiz` Form Buttons

The default setup the the `quiz` environment is to have hypertext links for the ‘Begin Quiz’ and ‘End Quiz’. You can also redefine this linking and use a form button instead. Prior to your quiz, use the following code, if desired.

```
\useBeginQuizButton  
\useEndQuizButton
```

Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. Who created $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$?
(a) Knuth (b) Lamport (c) Carlisle (d) Rahtz
2. Who originally wrote $\text{L}^{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$?
(a) Knuth (b) Lamport (c) Carlisle (d) Rahtz

Revert back to link-style as follows:

```
\useBeginQuizLink  
\useEndQuizLink
```

The commands `\useBeginQuizButton` and `\useEndQuizButton` each have an optional argument that can be used to modify the appearance of the buttons.

```
\useBeginButton[\textColor{0 0 1}]
```

would create a ‘Begin Quiz’ button with blue text for the button label.

- **The proofing Option**

For proofreading, use the `proofing` option of `exerquiz`.

```
\usepackage[proofing]{exerquiz}
```

When used, a symbol, defined by the command `\proofingsymbol`, will mark the correct answers, as defined in your source file. The command `\proofingsymbol` can be redefined, its definition is

```
\newcommand\proofingsymbol{\textcolor{webgreen}{\bullet}}
```

This option works for the `shortquiz` environments defined above (page 80), as well.

• Setting the Threshold

The default behavior of the `quiz` environment is that a student can begin the quiz and finish the quiz without answering any or all of the questions. This is called a `lowThreshold` and is the default behavior.

The document author can set a `highThreshold` by re-defining the `\minQuizResp` macro. The default definition is

```
\newcommand\minQuizResp{lowThreshold}
```

However, if you make the definition

```
\renewcommand\minQuizResp{highThreshold}
```

the student is required to answer all the questions of a quiz.

Actually, `lowThreshold` and `highThreshold` are JavaScript functions that are called when the “End Quiz” button is clicked. If the threshold is not met, an alert box appears informing the user of this.

The document author can write a custom threshold function and place its name in the `\minQuizResp` macro. See the `exerquiz` source code for the `highThreshold()` function for an example of how to do this.

7.2. Correcting the Quizzes with JavaScript

Beginning with `exerquiz`, version 1.2, you can now correct quizzes created by the `quiz` environment. To correct the quizzes, simply include an additional element into your quiz, a correction button. The correction button is installed using the macro `\eqButton`.

► The following is a link-style quiz.

Begin Quiz Using the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac$, respond to each of the following questions.

1. Is the quadratic polynomial $x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?
(a) Yes (b) No
2. Is the quadratic polynomial $2x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?
(a) Yes (b) No
3. How many solutions does the equation $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$ have?
(a) none (b) one (c) two

End Quiz

Legend: A ✓ indicates a correct response; a ✗, indicates an incorrect response, in this case, the correct answer is marked with a ●.

A partial verbatim listing of this quiz follows:

```
\begin{quiz}{qzdiscr11} Using the discriminant,  $b^2-4ac$ ,
respond to each of the following questions.
\begin{questions}
.....
.....
.....
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}

\ScoreField{qzdiscr11}\eqButton{qzdiscr11}
```

▶ The macro `\eqButton` is used to create a nice “correction” button. JavaScript is used to correct the quiz. The only required argument is the field label that uniquely defines the field in which the total score is placed. See the section entitled ‘[The ‘Correction’ Button](#)’ on page 114 for more details on how to use this macro.

▶ The `\eqButton` will not work until the user has clicked on ‘End Quiz’. The user can re-take the quiz simply by clicking on ‘Begin Quiz’, the form fields and JavaScript variables will be cleared.

▶ It is possible to take this form data and submit it to a CGI script for processing (The data can be saved to a database, for example.) However, there is no built-in capability for this in the `exerquiz` package.

The same quiz can be written in form-style simply by inserting the `*`-option.

Instructions. You must click on ‘Begin Quiz’ to initialize the quiz. Not doing so, brings forth an error message. When finished, click on ‘End Quiz’.

Begin Quiz Using the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac$, respond to each of the following questions.

1. Is the quadratic polynomial $x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?

Yes

No

2. Is the quadratic polynomial $2x^2 - 4x + 3$ irreducible?

Yes

No

3. How many solutions does the equation $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$ have?

none

one

two

End Quiz

▶ In the partial verbatim listing that follows, notice the field name as been changed from `qz:discr1-1` to `qzdiscr1`. The different quizzes must have a unique field name.

```
\begin{quiz}*{qzdiscr1f} Using the discriminant,  $b^2-4ac$ ,
respond to each of the following questions.
\begin{questions}
.....
.....
.....
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}\quad\ScoreField\currQuiz\eqButton\currQuiz
```

▶ Notice that in this example, the `\ScoreField` and the `\eqButton` are positioned following the ‘End Quiz’; this makes the design more compact and nicer looking.

- **The `nocorrections` Option**

Including the corrections adds quite a bit more JavaScript code to the .pdf document, this feature is ‘on’ by default. If you have a document

in which you do not want to have the option of offering corrected quizzes, then just specify `nocorrections` is the option list of `exerquiz`.

There are also a couple of macros you can use to override the option switch: `\CorrectionsOn` and `\CorrectionsOff`. Each remains in affect until the other is invoked.

▶ If the `nocorrections` option is taken, then the `\eqButton` does not appear for a quiz.

7.3. Quizzes with Solutions

In addition to scoring and marking the quizzes, you can also (optionally) provide solutions as well. To enter a solution to a multiple choice question, use a `solution` environment, and attached a named destination to the `answers` environment. A partial verbatim listing follows the next example.

Begin Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. Who created $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$?

Knuth

Lamport

Carlisle

Rahtz

2. Who originally wrote $\text{L}_{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$?

Knuth

Lamport

Carlisle

Rahtz

End Quiz

After the quiz is completed and the corrections button is pressed, the corrections appear. The correct answer has a green filled circle or a green check; this circle is now outlined by a green rectangle to indicate that this is a link to the solution. Click on the green dot and jump to the solution!

Solutions do not have to appear. Some problems can have solutions, while others do not. The ones with the solutions have the green boundary to indicate a link to the solution.

Here is a partial listing of the above example.

```
\begin{quiz}*{qzTeX1} Answer each of the following.
Passing is 100%.
\begin{questions}
\item Who created \TeX?
\begin{answers}[knuth]4
\Ans1 Knuth &\Ans0 Lamport &\Ans0 Carlisle &\Ans0 Rahtz
\end{answers}
\begin{solution}
Yes, Donald Knuth was the creator of \TeX.
\end{solution}
...
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}\quad\ScoreField\currQuiz\eqButton\currQuiz
```

▶ Notice that in the `answers` environment, an optional parameter `[knuth]` appears. The value of this parameter is a unique name for the solution to the quiz. Notice also, the `solution` environment follows, and is not nested within the `answers` environment.

7.4. How to Modify the quiz Environment

There are four ways the appearance of the quizzes can change:

- change the titles
- change the ‘check’ appearance
- change the text field in which the score appears,
- change the appearance of the ‘Correction’ button.

This section discusses each of these four in turn.

● The Quiz Titles

It is possible to redefine the quiz titles and other labels if desired.

▶ Locally:

```
\renewcommand\bqlabel{Begin Exam}  
\renewcommand\eqlabel{End Exam}
```

▶ Globally:

```
\makeatletter
\renewcommand\eq@bqlabel{Begin Exam}
\renewcommand\eq@eqlabel{End Exam}
\makeatother
```

• The check appearance

The appearance of the ‘check’ can be chosen using the `\symbolchoice` macro of the `exerquiz` package. The permissible values for the argument of `\symbolchoice` are `check` (the default), `circle`, `cross`, `diamond`, `square`, and `star`.

This quiz was generated by inserting `\symbolchoice{diamond}` before the quiz. The multiple choice field is actually a radio button field. The appearance of these radio buttons can be modified using the command `\everyqRadioButton`.

```
\symbolchoice{diamond}
\everyqRadioButton{\textColor{0 0 1 rg}
  \BC{.690 .769 .871}\BG{.941 1 .941}}
```

Begin Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. Who created T_EX?

Knuth

Lamport

Carlisle

Rahtz

2. Who originally wrote L^AT_EX?

Knuth

Lamport

Carlisle

Rahtz

End Quiz

If desired, we can return to the defaults:

```
\symbolchoice{check} % restore the default
\everyqRadioButton{}
```

▶ The `\symbolchoice` can also be introduced into the flow of the code through the `\everyqRadioButton`:

```
\everyqRadioButton{\symbolchoice{diamond}\textColor{0 0 1 rg}
  \BC{.690 .769 .871}\BG{.941 1 .941}}
```

After the quiz, we could return to the defaults by

```
\everyqRadioButton{}
```

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argument, and how to use the “every” command.

• Change color of Correction Marks

The colors used to mark the quiz can be changed by redefining the commands `\checkColor`, `\crossColor` and `\correctColor` in the *preamble* or before. Below are the defaults:

```
\renewcommand\checkColor{color.red}  
\renewcommand\crossColor{color.red}  
\renewcommand\correctColor{["RGB", 0, .6, 0]} % webgreen
```

The colors are inserted into the field using JavaScript, so the color definitions are in the color space of the JavaScript object model.

• The ‘Correction’ Button

The ‘Correction’ button is defined by the `\eqButton` has two parameters.

```
\eqButton[mod_appear]{field_name}
```

The second parameter is the field name that contains the total score for the quiz (see the above examples). It also has one optional argument that can be used to modify the appearance of the button.

In addition to the optional parameter for modifying the appearance of the button, `\eqButton`, there is also a “global” mechanism for modifying the appearance of the button field. These are

Global Modification: `\everyButtonField` and `\everyeqButton`

The first one modifies the appearance of every quiz button field, the second can be used to modify all `\eqButtons`.

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argument, and how to use the “every” command.

● The Score Field

The score field is the text field to which the quiz (and its underlying JavaScript) reports the score. This field can be constructed using the `\ScoreField` macro

```
\ScoreField[mod_appear]{field_name}
```

In the simplest case, `\ScoreField` takes one argument, as above, the `field_name` of the associated quiz. It’s expansion produces a read-only text field that is 1.5 inches in width with a red border. The initial text that appears in the field is the expansion of the macro `\eqScore`. The expansion of `\eqScore` depends on the language option: `\eqScore` expands to ‘Score:’ by default, to ‘Punkte:’ for the `german` option and to ‘Score :’ for the `french` option.

The macro `\ScoreField` also has an optional parameter that can be used to modify the appearance of the text field. Should the document author want to change the basic look of the text field produced by `\ScoreField`, just introduce the changes through this optional parameter.

In addition to the optional parameter for modifying the appearance of the text field, `\ScoreField`, there is also a “global” mechanism for modifying the appearance of the button field. These are

Global Modification: `\everyeqTextField` and `\everyScoreField`

The first one modifies the appearance of every quiz text field, the second can be used to modify all `\ScoreFields`.

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argument, and how to use the “every” command.

Begin Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. What T_EX System does Thomas Esser maintain?

MikT_EX csT_EX teT_EX fpT_EX

2. What T_EX System does Fabrice Popineau maintain?

MikT_EX csT_EX teT_EX fpT_EX

3. What T_EX System does Christian Schenk maintain?

MikT_EX csT_EX teT_EX fpT_EX

End Quiz

The new part is the customized scoring and correction button. Here is a verbatim listing of the `\ScoreField` and `\eqButton` macros.

```
\ScoreField[\BC{0 0 1}]{qz:TeXc}%
  \eqButton[\BC{0 0 1}      % blue border color
  \CA{TeX}                 % Button text
  \RC{Users}               % rollover text
  \AC{Group}               % pushed text
  \textFont{TiRo}          % text font: Times Roman
  \textSize{10}            % text size: 10 point
  \textColor{0 0 1 rg}     % blue text
  \W{1}\S{I}               % border width 1, inset button
]{qz:TeXc}
```

▶ This example—as well as others—appears in `webeqtst.tex`, a test file that accompanies the [AcroTeX Bundle](#).

▶ See the file `qz02.tex` for details and examples of how to modify the quiz titles. The language files, e.g., `eqfr.def` and `eqde.def`, demonstrate how to redefine all variables, including those listed above.

7.5. Adding Points to a Quiz

The discussion of this topic can be found in ‘[Assigning Points](#)’ on page [154](#).

8. Objective Style Questions

Beginning with version 2.0 of `exerquiz`, objective style questions can be posed. Single questions can be posed in the `oQuestion` environment, multiple questions can be placed in either the `shortquiz` or the `quiz` environments. This section discusses this type of question and all of its supporting commands.

8.1. Math and Text Questions

Exerquiz distinguishes between two types of open ended or objective questions:

1. A mathematical question that requires a mathematical expression as the answer.
2. A question that requires a text answer.

▶ The demo file `jquiztst.tex` is an important source of examples and instruction for the mathematical type question; additionally, the file `jtxttst.tex` has many examples for the text type question.

• The Mathematical Question

At this stage in the development of `exerquiz`, a (mathematical) question can be posed that requires an answer that is a function of one or

more declared variables x , y , z , etc. Thus, when the declared variables x , y , z are given a value, the answer is reduced to a number.

For example, the answer to the question “Differentiate $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x)$ ”, is a function in one variable x , it can be evaluated numerically and can, therefore, be posed:

▶ Differentiate $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$

See ‘[\RespBoxMath: The Math Question](#)’ on page 120 for details.

In contrast, consider the question: “Name the probability distribution popularly referred to as the ‘bell-shaped curve’ ”. The answer to this question cannot be reduced to a numerical value. This question can be posed as an [text objective question](#), or, it does lend itself to a multiple choice question, however.

• The Text Question

You can also pose questions that require a text answer; for example,

▶ Name the probability distribution popularly referred to as the “bell-shaped curve”.

See ‘[\RespBoxTxt: The Text Question](#)’ on page 127 for details.

8.2. The oQuestion Environment

The `oQuestion` environment is a very simple environment for posing a *single* question and will be used in this section to discuss in detail the macros for posing mathematical and text open questions.

The syntax for the `oQuestion` environment is

```
\begin{oQuestion}{<field_name>}  
<A math or text open ended question.>  
\end{oQuestion}
```

The environment takes one required argument, a unique name for the question. This name, `field_name`, is used by other supporting macros.

- **\RespBoxMath: The Math Question**

The `\RespBoxMath` command is used for posing an objective question. This command must appear in the `oQuestion`, `shortquiz` or `quiz` environments. In this section we discuss only the `oQuestion` environment.

The following is a minimal example. Additional enhancements will be discussed in subsequent sections.

▶ Differentiate $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$

The code for the above example is

```

\begin{oQuestion}{sine1}
\redpoint Differentiate $\dfrac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}{4}{.0001}{[0,1]}$
\end{oQuestion}

```

The `\RespBoxMath` need not appear in math mode.

You can also pose multivariate questions as well, for example

▶ $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} 4x^2y^3 =$

The code for the above example is

```

\begin{oQuestion}{multivariate}
\redpoint $\dfrac{\partial}{\partial y} \{4 x^2 y^3 \}
= \RespBoxMath{12*x^2*y^2}(xy){4}{.0001}{[0,1]x[0,1]}$
\end{oQuestion}

```

See the file `multivar.tex` for more examples quizzes involving multivariate problems.

The algorithm used for determining the correctness of the answer entered by the user is very simple: The user's answer and the correct answer are evaluated at randomly selected points in an interval, then compared. If any of the comparisons differ by more than a preselected amount, an ϵ value, if you will, the user's answer is declared incorrect;

otherwise, it is considered correct.⁴

The command `\RespBoxMath` takes ten parameters, five optional and five required:

```
\RespBoxMath[#1]#2(#3)[#4]#5#6#7#8[#9]**#10
```

Parameters:

- #1 : Optional parameter used to modify the appearance of the text field. See [The ‘Correction’ Button](#) for examples, and `exerquiz.dtx` for a listing of all controlling macros.
- #2 : The correct answer to the question. This must be a numerical value, or a function of one variable. JavaScript Note: In JavaScript, functions such as `sin(x)` and `cos(x)` are methods of the `Math` object. It is not necessary, however, to type `Math.sin(x)` or `Math.cos(x)`; this is done by inserting the expression into a `with(Math)` group. For example,

```
with(Math){ 2*sin(x)*cos(x) }.
```

- #3 : An optional parameter, *delimited by parentheses*, that defines the independent variable; `x`, is the default value. Note that this

⁴The idea for evaluating user input in this way comes from Drs. Wlodzimierz Bryc and Stephan Pelikan of The University of Cincinnati.

parameter is set off by parentheses. For a multivariate question, just list the variables in juxtaposition, (xyz).

Beginning with version 5.5 of `exerquiz`, an alternate method is to delimit with commas (x,y,n) and include the type of the variables (r:x,r:y,i:n), where "r" means a real variable and "i" means an integer variable. When a type is not specified explicitly, "r" is assumed. The variables must be either of the old style (no commas, no typing) or the new style. Do not mix the styles.

See the [example](#) in 'Some Enhancements' on page 130 of the section below and see the demo file `integer_test.tex` to demonstrate the new method for specifying variables.

- #4 : Optional, a named destination to the solution to the question. If this parameter appears, then a solution must follow the question, enclosed in a `solution` environment.
- #5 : The number of samples points to be used, usually 3 or 4 is sufficient.
- #6 : Precision required, the ϵ value, if you will.
- #7 : Parameters #7 and #8 are used to define the interval from which to draw the sample points. There are two forms: (1) #7

is the left-hand endpoint of the interval and `#8` is the right-hand endpoint (the use of `#7` and `#8` in this form is deprecated); (2) the interval is defined by standard interval notation, `[a,b]`. For a multivariate question—one where parameter `#2` lists more than one variable, separate the intervals for each variable by a ‘`x`’, `[0,2]x[1,2]x[3,4]`.

- #8** : (1) `#8` is the right-hand endpoint of the interval (the use of this parameter is deprecated); (2) in the second case, `#8` is not used.
- #9** : This optional parameter is the name of a customized comparison function.

Beginning with version 5.5 of `exerquiz`, this argument can also be a JavaScript object with at most two properties: `priorParse` and `comp`. `priorParse` is used to insert additional JavaScript into `ProcResp` prior to processing the user’s answer; this allows additional “filtering” of the user’s response. The value of `priorParse` can either be a single function, or an array of functions. These functions take `UserAns` as its argument and return either `null`, if `UserAns` is not acceptable, or `true`, if it is ok for processing. The value of `comp` is the name of the function to be used to compare answers.

See the demo file `integer_tst.tex` for examples of usage.

#10: (Only detected if following an asterisk, ‘*’) The name of a JavaScript function that is to be used to process the user input.

► For the above example,

```
\RespBoxMath{2*sin(x)*cos(x)}{4}{.0001}{[0,1]}
```

no optional parameter is specified; the correct answer written in valid JavaScript is $2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)$; evaluation of the user’s answer is done by randomly selecting 4 points from the interval $[0, 1]$; if the evaluation at any of the 4 points differs from the evaluation of the correct answer at the same point by more than $\epsilon = 0.0001$, the user’s answer is considered wrong.

Once you choose the question to ask, you must then select the values of the parameters for `\RespBoxMath`.

► Some Comments:

1. The correct answer can be written either with valid JavaScript, or in the same syntax a user would enter the answer with. The functions and operators are pretty much as expected. See the demo file `jquizstst.tex` for some discussion how authors and users should enter their answers.

2. The interval from which the sample points are taken needs to be chosen with care. The interval must, obviously, be a subset of the domain of the answer function. Choose an interval away from any singularities the answer may have.
3. The JavaScript of Acrobat 5.0 does have exception handling, but this has not been incorporated into the code yet. Taking advantage of this new capability will be my next project. Exception handling will give the code protection against user's entering spurious answers. For example, based on the correct answer, the author chooses the interval $[0, 1]$, but the user enters a function whose domain does not contain the interval, such as $(x-1)^{(1/2)}$.

▶ See the file [jqiztst.pdf](#) for various examples of the math questions. The source code is available from the main [AcroTeX Bundle Web Site](#)

By using the optional first parameter, you can modify the appearance of the field “locally”. There is also a “global” mechanism as well:

Global Modification: `\everyeqTextField`, `\everyRespBoxMath`

The first one modifies the appearance of every quiz text field, and the second can be used to modify all fields created using `\RespBoxMath`.

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argu-

ment, and how to use the “every” command.

● `\RespBoxTxt`: The Text Question

You can also pose a question that takes a simple text response. The basic command for posing this type of question is `\RespBoxTxt`. Consider the example given earlier:

- ▶ Name the probability distribution popularly referred to as the “bell-shaped curve”.

The underlying JavaScript compares the user’s response against acceptable alternatives, as supplied by the author of the question. If there is a match, the response is deemed correct.

The code for this example is

```
\begin{oQuestion}{exTxt1}
\redpoint Name the probability distribution popularly
referred to as the ‘‘bell-shaped curve’’.\
\RespBoxTxt{0}{0}{4}{Normal}{Normal Distribution}%
{Gaussian}{Gaussian Distribution}
\end{oQuestion}
```

The command `\RespBoxTxt` takes five or more parameters.

```
\RespBoxTxt[#1]#2#3[#4]#5<plus listing of alternatives>
```

Parameters:

- #1** : Optional parameter used to modify the appearance of the text field. See [The ‘Correction’ Button](#) for examples, and `exerquiz.dtx` for a listing of all controlling macros.
- #2** : This required parameter is a number that indicates the filtering method to be used. Permissible values of this parameter are
- 1: (The default) The author’s and user’s answers are not filtered in any way. (Spaces, case, and punctuation are preserved.)
 - 0: The author’s and user’s answers are converted to lower case, any white space and non-word characters are removed.
 - 1: The author’s and user’s answers are converted to lower case, any white space is removed.
 - 2: The author’s and user’s answers are stripped of any white space.

See the JavaScript function `eqFilter` in `exerquiz.dtx` for the program code details. Additional filtering options may be added.

- #3** : This parameter a number that indicates the compare method to be used. Permissible values of this parameter are
- 0: (The default) The author’s and user’s answers are compared for an exact match. (These answers are filtered before they are compared.)

1: The user's response is searched in an attempt to get a substring match with the author's alternatives. Additional comparison methods may be added.

See the JavaScript function `compareText` in `exerquiz.dtx` for the program code details.

#4 : Optional, a named destination to the solution to the question. If this parameter appears, then a solution must follow the question, enclosed in a `solution` environment.

#5 : This required parameter is the number of alternative answers that are acceptable. The alternative answers are listed immediately after this parameter. (The example above specified that 4 alternatives follow.)

▶ See the file [jtxtst.pdf](#) for examples of the differences between various combinations of filtering rules and comparison methods. The source code is available from the main [AcroT_EX Bundle Web Site](#)

By using the optional first parameter, you can modify the appearance of the field “locally”. There is also a “global” mechanism as well:

Global Modification: `\everyeqTextField` and `\everyRespBoxTxt`

The first mechanism modifies the appearance of every quiz text field, the second can be used to modify all fields created using `\RespBoxTxt`.

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argument, and how to use the “every” command.

8.3. Some Enhancements

There are several enhancements to the math (using `\RespBoxMath`) and text (using `\RespBoxTxt`) open-ended question beyond the minimal examples given earlier. These enhancements can be used within the `oQuestion`, the `shortquiz`, and the `quiz` environments.

- **Including an Answer Key with `\CorrAnsButton`**

The correct solution can be included in the question as well; just include the command `\CorrAnsButton`. This command takes one parameter, the correct answer that will be viewed when the user clicks on the button.

The example below also illustrates the (optional) third parameter of `\RespBoxMath`. Here we pose the question in the variable t rather than the default variable of x .

▶ Differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dt} \sin^2(t) =$$

The listing follows:

```
\begin{oQuestion}{sine2}\[1ex]
\redpoint Differentiate $\frac{d}{dt} \sin^2(t) = $
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(t)*\cos(t)}(t){4}{.0001}{0}{1}\kern1bp
\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(t)*\cos(t)}
\end{oQuestion}
```

The `\CorrAnsButton` takes one parameter, the correct answer. This answer is (usually) the same as the one given as the second argument (the optional argument is the first) in the `\RespBoxMath` command.

▶ The `\CorrAnsButton` also controls access to the (optional) solution, see the next section.

● Including a Solution

In addition to a correct answer, you can also include a solution to the question. Insert the optional fourth parameter—fourth for both `\RespBoxMath` and `\RespBoxTxt`—into the parameter list giving the name of the destination to the solution. Follow the question by a `solution` environment containing the solution.

The user **Shift-Clicks** on the `\CorrAnsButton` to jump to the solution.

▶ Differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dt} \sin^2(t) =$$

The listing follows:

```
\begin{oQuestion}{sine3}\[1ex]
\redpoint Differentiate $\dfrac{d}{dt} \sin^2(t) = $
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(t)*\cos(t)}(t) [sine3]{4}{.0001}{0}{1}\kern1bp
\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(t)*\cos(t)}
\begin{solution}
$$
\frac{d}{dx}\sin^2(x) = 2\sin(x)\cos(x) = \sin(2x)
$$
\end{solution}
\end{oQuestion}
```

▶ The `\CorrAnsButton` works the same way for the `shortquiz` and the `quiz` environments.

• Including a Tally Box

The macro `\sqTallyBox` is used to keep a running total of the number of wrong answers a user has entered into the response box.

For example,

▶ Differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$$

The listing follows:

```
\begin{oQuestion}{sine4}
\redpoint Differentiate\\[1ex]
$\dfrac d{dx} \sin^2(x) =\$
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}{4}{.0001}{0}{1}\kern1bp
\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}\kern1bp
\sqTallyBox
\end{oQuestion}
```

▶ The tally box can be used within the `oQuestion` and `shortquiz` environments; in the `quiz` environment, no tally box is used.

• Clearing the Fields

For the `oQuestion` and the `shortquiz` environments, you can clear the response box fields by placing insert `\sqClearButton`.

▶ Differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$$

The listing follows:

```
\begin{oQuestion}{sine5}
\redpoint Differentiate\\[1ex]
$\dfrac d{dx} \sin^2(x) =\$
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}{4}{.0001}{0}{1}%
```

```
\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}\kern1bp  
\sqTallyBox\kern1bp\sqClearButton  
\end{oQuestion}
```

You'll notice that I've inserted a `\kern1bp` to separate the two fields `\sqTallyBox` and `\sqClearButton`. This is to keep their borders from overlapping.

8.4. The `shortquiz` Environment

The objective question (with or without the presence of a correction box, `\corrAnsButton` or a tally box `\sqTallyBox`) can be mixed in with multiple choice questions.

Solutions to the questions can also be included using a `solution` environment. Click on the “Ans” button to get the answer to a question; shift-click on the “Ans” button to get the solution.

Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. If f is differentiable, then f is continuous.

(a) True (b) False

2. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$

3. Name *one* of the two people recognized as a founder of Calculus.

► When using objective questions within a `shortquiz` environment, you must give a unique field name as an optional argument of the environment. The listing of this example follows:

```
\begin{shortquiz}[oQsq] % <-- unique field name
Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.
\begin{questions}

\item If  $f$  is differentiable, then  $f$  is continuous.
\begin{answers}{4}
\Ans1 True & \Ans0 False
\end{answers}\hfill\sqTallyBox

\item  $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$ 
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}[sinsqx]{4}{.0001}{0}{1}%
\hfill\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}%
\kern1bp\sqTallyBox
\begin{solution}
$$
\frac{d}{dx}\sin^2(x) = 2\sin(x)\cos(x) = \sin(2x)
$$
```

```

\end{solution}

\item Name \emph{one} of the two people recognized
as a founder of Calculus.\vadjust{\kern3pt}\newline
\RespBoxTxt{2}{0}[newton]{5}{Isaac Newton}{Newton}{I. Newton}%
{Gottfried Leibniz}{Leibniz}\hfill
\CorrAnsButton{Isaac Newton or Gottfried Leibniz}%
\kern1bp\sqrTallyBox
\begin{solution}
Yes, Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz are considered
founders of Calculus.
\end{solution}
\end{questions}
\end{shortquiz}
\begin{flushright}
\sqrClearButton\kern1bp\sqrTallyTotal %<-- total tally
\end{flushright}

```

Example Notes:

- Note the optional argument, giving this collection of questions a common base name. All supporting macros use this name.
- The named destination to the solution is entered with parameter #5 of `\RespBoxMath`, and with parameter #4 of `\RespBoxTxt`.
- In this example, another built-in macro, `\sqrTallyTotal` was used. This macro creates a text field that accumulates the totals

of all the tally boxes.

► The `shortquiz` environment can also be used for a single objective question. Just don't use the `questions` environment within.

```
\begin{shortquiz}[anExample]
< an objective style question >
\end{shortquiz}
```

8.5. The quiz Environment

Objective questions can be mixed in with multiple choice questions within the `quiz` environment. When posing an objective style question in the `quiz` environment, use the `\RespBoxMath` and `\RespBoxTxt` commands and optionally include the `\CorrAnsButton`.

Since the evaluation of the quiz is delayed until the user has finished the quiz, the `\sqTallyBox` macro is not needed.

Begin Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. If f is differentiable, then f is continuous.

True

False

2. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) =$

3. Name *one* of the two people recognized as a founder of Calculus.

End Quiz

Answers:

- ▶ The buttons created by `\CorrAnsButton` are hidden until the user ends the quiz (and gets scored) and clicks on the corrections button (`\eqButton`). The `\CorrAnsButton` should not be included if there is no `\eqButton`.
- ▶ If there is a solution to the problem, the “Ans” button is outlined in green. Shift-click on the “Ans” button to jump to the solution.
- ▶ The `quiz` environment requires a field name. This same name is used by the objective style question as well.

The listing for the above example follows.

```
\begin{quiz}*{oQq}
Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.
\begin{questions}

\item If  $f$  is differentiable, then  $f$  is continuous.
\begin{answers}{4}
```

```
\Ans1 True & \Ans0 False
\end{answers}
```

```
\item $\displaystyle\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) = $
\RespBoxMath{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}{4}{.0001}{0}{1}%
\hfill\CorrAnsButton{2*\sin(x)*\cos(x)}%
```

```
\item Name \emph{one} of the two people recognized
as a founder of Calculus.\vadjust{\kern3pt}\newline
\RespBoxTxt{2}{0}[leibniz]{5}{Isaac Newton}{Newton}{I. Newton}%
{Gottfried Leibniz}{Leibniz}\hfill
```

```
\CorrAnsButton{Isaac Newton or Gottfried Leibniz}
```

```
\begin{solution}
```

```
Yes, Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz are considered
founders of Calculus.
```

```
\end{solution}
```

```
\end{questions}
```

```
\end{quiz}\quad\ScoreField{oQq}\eqButton{oQq}
```

```
\noindent Answers: \AnswerField{oQq}
```

► There are some additional grade reporting and statistical fields defined as well: `\PointsField`, `\PercentField`, and `\GradeField`. See the demo file `quizpts.tex` for details and examples; see also the section below entitled [Assigning Points](#).

- **The Prompt Button**

In addition to the `\CorrAnsButton`, the document author can provide a prompt button (probably not the best descriptive term).

For some quizzes, the author might want to ask a series of questions where the answer to one question depends on the correct answer of a previous question. In this situation, you'd like to provide the correct answer so the student can make a good run at the next question. The `\@PromptQuestion` not only provides the answer to the question but it also makes the corresponding math fill-in ready only, so that the student cannot change the answer already provided.

Ideally, the student first enters an answer, and once satisfied with the answer, can then get the correct answer for future questions.

▶ See the demo file `prompt_tst.tex` for an example of usage.

- **Grouped Math/Text Fill-in Questions**

`Exerquiz` defines a grouping environment, `mathGrp`, for math fill-in and *text fill-in* questions where the response to the question might require entering text into multiple math fill-in fields.

When you use the `mathGrp` environment to enclose a set of related math questions, you need to the `\CorrAnsButtonGrp` button, instead of the `\CorrAnsButton` button. The required argument for this but-

ton is a comma delimited list of the answers that appear within the grouped questions. The answers should be listed in the same order \TeX processes the math (or text) questions. The group of questions is processed as if it were a single question.

► For example...

(3^{pts}) Compute the following cross product:

$$(3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}) \times (\vec{i} + 5\vec{k}) = \quad \vec{i} + \quad \vec{j} + \quad \vec{k}$$



Ans:

Notes:

- ✦ If you miss any one of the three answers, the **ScoreField** reports back ‘**Score: 0 out of 1**’. There is only one question there, to get it correct, you must answer all three inputs correctly.
- ✦ Points can be assigned to the individual responses and a score is given based on the validity of the inputs and the corresponding points. There is a default JavaScript function that scores the results. The document author can define a custom JavaScript function to have a more “exotic” method of evaluating the group. See

the test file `grp_test.tex` for details.

- ☛ Notice that after you take the quiz and click on “Correct” button, the “Ans” button appears (as usual). If you click repeatedly on this “Ans” button, you can cycle through all answers to this question; the response box is highlighted (or put in focus) and the answer appears in the answer field provided.
- ▶ See the demo file `grp_test.tex` for the source code of this example, as well as more technical details of the `mathGrp` environment.

8.6. Modifying Form Elements

All form elements have a first optional parameter for modifying their appearance, and they have an associated “every” command for global modifications as well.

Global Modification Commands	
For the <code>shortquiz</code> Environment	
<code>\Ans</code>	<code>\everySqRadioButton</code>
<code>\sqTallyBox</code>	<code>\everySqTallyBox</code>
<code>\sqTallyTotal</code>	<code>\everySqTallyTotal</code>

Global Modification Commands	
<code>\sqClearButton</code>	<code>\everySqClearButton</code>
For the quiz Environment	
<code>\useBeginQuizButton</code>	<code>\everyBeginQuizButton</code>
<code>\useEndQuizButton</code>	<code>\everyEndQuizButton</code>
<code>\Ans</code>	<code>\everyqRadioButton</code>
<code>\ScoreField</code>	<code>\everyScoreField</code>
<code>\eqButton</code>	<code>\everyeqButton</code>
<code>\AnswerField</code>	<code>\everyAnswerField</code>
<code>\PointsField</code>	<code>\everyPointsField</code>
<code>\PercentField</code>	<code>\everyPercentField</code>
<code>\GradeField</code>	<code>\everyGradeField</code>
For Both Environments	
<code>\RespBoxMath</code>	<code>\everyRespBoxMath</code>
<code>\RespBoxTxt</code>	<code>\everyRespBoxTxt</code>
<code>\CorrAnsButton</code>	<code>\everyCorrAnsButton</code>

👉 In addition to these, there are other “every” commands that af-

fect the appearance of the various buttons and text fields. The two commands `\everyeqButtonField` and `\everyeqTextField` are executed before every `exerquiz` button and text field (respectfully). These can be used to give a general uniform appearance for all the short quiz or quiz form elements; use the more specific version, as listed in the above table, to make additional refinements in appearance.

▶ See the document [eFormMan.pdf](#) on *eForm Support* for complete documentation on how to modify a field using the optional first argument, and how to use the “every” mechanism.

9. Extending AcroTeX with dljslib and insdljs

The `exerquiz` Package, especially the math fill-in question, is quite programmable. In this section, we discuss two methods of extending the capabilities of the AcroTeX Bundle: (1) through the use of the package `dljslib`, which is a JavaScript library of extensions; (2) by writing your own custom extensions using the `insdljs` package for inserting JavaScripts into the PDF document.

9.1. Using the dljslib Package

The `dljslib` Package is actually a “library” of JavaScript functions. At the time of this writing, the library has JavaScripts that can process process answers to math fill-in questions where an *equation* or a *vector* answer is expected. There is also a JavaScript compare function that properly evaluates an answer when an indefinite integral is expected. See the documentation that accompanies the package (by latexing `dljslib.dtx`) for details of how to use the library.

▶ **Equation handling.** See the sample file `jqzequat.tex` for examples of posing and evaluating questions that expect an equation as the response. Below is a portion of the preamble of that file; basically, to use one or more of the JavaScripts in the JavaScript library, you specify that option `\usepackage` command for `dljslib` package. In this case, we want to process equations so type...

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath,amscd}
\usepackage[tight,pdftex,designi,nodirectory]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
\usepackage[equations]{dljslib} % <--choose equations
```

▶ **Vector Handling** There are also JavaScript functions for processing vector answers. See the sample file `jqzspec.tex`. Actually this file

does not use the JavaScript library, but is more of a tutorial on how to use `\insdljs` to write custom JavaScripts to process `exerquiz` math fill-in questions.

The preamble of that document could actually be replaced with. . .

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{amsmath,amscd}
\usepackage[tight,dvipdfm,designi,nodirectory]{web}
\usepackage{exerquiz}
\usepackage[vectors,indefIntegral]{dljslib}
```

The `vectors` option specifies JavaScripts for processing vector questions. The `indefIntegral` option is also specified. This is because that in the file `jqzspec.tex` a comparison function is developed for properly evaluating questions in which an indefinite integral is expected.

▶ **Comma Delimited Answers and Sets** The `setSupport` option of the `dljslib` Package provides basic support for math fill-in questions requiring a (unordered) list of comma delimited numerical or symbolic answers, or for a set. The demo and tutorial file is `set_test.tex`. See that file for more details.

▶ In addition to the two above mentioned sets of JavaScripts there are a couple of comparison functions, one for processing indefinite

integrals (see `dljs_ex.tex`), and the other for using relative absolute error rather than absolute error. Again, see the documentation of `dljslib.dtx` and the sample file `jqzspec.tex`.

9.2. Using the `insdljs` Package

With the `insdljs` Package you can write your own JavaScript functions right in the \LaTeX source file. These custom JavaScripts are then inserted into the section of the PDF document where the document-level JavaScripts reside. This package is a stand-alone package, and does not need `exerquiz`, though `exerquiz` now uses this package to insert its JavaScripts into the document.

See the documentation that accompanies the package (by `latexing insdljs.dtx`) for details of how to use the library. Also, see the sample file `insdljs_ex.tex` for a examples that do not use `exerquiz`, and the file `jqzspec.tex`, for examples that do use `exerquiz`.

10. Submitting a quiz to a Web Server

Quizzes created by the `quiz` environment are entirely self-contained. They function within the Web browser (or from within the Acrobat Reader) and do not communicate with any server. This kind of quiz is ideal for a do-it-yourself tutorial system, read by a well-motivated

student who has the discipline to read the material and to take the quizzes in the spirit in which they are given.

However, some educators, myself included, may wish to use the quizzes created by the `quiz` environment for classroom credit. It is necessary, therefore, for the student to be able to submit quiz results to a Web server which, in turn, should store the results to a database.

In this section we discuss techniques of turning the quiz into something that can be submitted to a server.

► I have released the `eq2db` Package, a \LaTeX macro package and server-side script to process `exerquiz` quizzes. See Section 11.

10.1. Technical Info for “Do It Yourself”

All one really has to do is to redefine the “End Quiz” link or button to submit the results of the quiz to the Web server and CGI of your choice. Since the quiz itself is scored, (optionally) marked, with (optional) answers and solutions provided, the CGI simply stores the quiz results to a database.

- **Redefining “End Quiz”**

I’ve written the “End Quiz” link (button) to have various programming hooks available to the developer. The following code is common

to both `\eq@EndQuizLink` and `\eq@EndQuizButton`, the macros that control the action of the end quiz link and button, respectively.

```
if (\minQuizResp(\thequestionno)) {\r\t
  var f = this.getField("ScoreField.\curr@quiz");\r\t\t
  if ( f != null )\r\t\t\t\t
    this.getField("ScoreField.\curr@quiz").value
      =(\eq@QuizTotalMsg);\r\t\t
  \eq@submitURL
  resetQuiz("\curr@quiz")\r\t
}
```

► The code is a mixture of L^AT_EX macros and JavaScript. You can see from this code, that there is a submit hook macro provided, `\eq@submitURL`. Normally, this macro has a definition of `\empty`. A developer need only redefine this macro accordingly; one would use the Acrobat JavaScript method `this.submitForm()` to do this. See the *Acrobat JavaScript Scripting Reference* [1] for more detail about this method.

► The code flow above is as follows: (1) Execute this code if the threshold has been met. (See [Setting the Threshold](#).) The text macro `\curr@quiz` holds the base name of the current quiz.

(2) If the field "ScoreField.\curr@quiz" exists, then write the student's score to that field (This is the "Score: 2 out of 3" that you

see in the demo quizzes.)

(3) We then submit with the macro `\eq@submitURL`. (This would do nothing if its value is `\empty`, the default value.) At this point we call a DLJS `resetQuiz("\curr@quiz")` which sets some values in an array to indicate the state of this quiz.

• Gathering ID Information with `\textField`

▶ What kind of information would one submit to a CGI? Well, there is the usual information concerning the identity of the student (Name, SSN, etc.) and the course, section and so on.

This basic information can be gathered from the student by inserting text fields into the document to be filled in. Exerquiz provides the macro `\textField`⁵ for this purpose. For example,

```
\newcommand\FirstName[2]{\textField
  [\DV{First Name}\textFont{TiRo}\textSize{10}\textColor{0 0 1 rg}]
  {IdInfo.Name.First}{#1}{#2}}
```

This defines a text field with a name of "IdInfo.Name.First", the two arguments are the width and height of the field that you want to create. E.g.,

```
\FirstName{100pt}{10pt}
```

⁵You can also use hyperref's `\TextField` command for this purpose as well.

creates a text field 100pt wide and 10pt high.

The `\textField` macro takes four parameters.

```
\textField[#1]#2#3#4
```

The first (optional) parameter can be used to custom design the field; the second is the name of the field; the third and fourth are the width and height of the field desired.

▶ See the file `eqformman.tex` on [AcroTeX](#) eForm support for complete documentation on `\textField`.

• Gathering Quiz Specific Information with `\eqSubmit`

In addition to ID information on the one taking the quiz, specific information about what quiz is being taken and where the results of the quiz are to be stored are needed as well.

Exerquiz provides a basic macro, called `\eqSubmit` that can be used to gather basic formation of this type. The definition of it and related commands are given below:

```
\newcommand\databaseName[1]{\def\db@Name{#1}}\def\db@Name{}
\newcommand\tableName[1]{\def\db@Table{#1}}\def\db@Table{}
\newcommand\eqCGI[1]{\def\eq@CGI{#1}}\def\eq@CGI{}
\newcommand\eqSubmit[3]
  {\eqCGI{"#1"}\databaseName{#2}\tableName{#3}}
```

The meaning of the parameters are self-explanatory.

Just prior to the quiz you can type:

```
\eqSubmit{http://www.myschool.edu/cgi-bin/myCGI.cgi}%
  {CalcIII}{Quizzes}
\begin{quiz}*{Quiz3} Answer each of the following.
\begin{questions}
...
...
\end{questions}
\end{quiz}\quad\ScoreField\currQuiz\eqButton\currQuiz

\noindent
Answers: \AnswerField\currQuiz
```

▶ Any redefinition of `\eq@submitURL` would then include the values of some or all of these text parameters:

```
\eq@CGI, \db@Name, \db@Table, \curr@quiz
```

The last text macro is not gathered by `\eqSubmit`, but is certainly known at the time `\eq@submitURL` is expanded.

• Some Variables to Submit

When you submit a quiz to a server, the values of *all* fields are also submitted, unless you define specifically which fields are to be submitted.

In addition to the ID info, you would like also to submit the results of the quiz itself. The relevant variables are as follows:

1. The JavaScript variable `Score` has the number of correct responses as its value.
2. The L^AT_EX counter variable `\thequestionno` has the count of the total number of questions in the quiz.
3. The JavaScript array `Responses` contains the responses of the student: multiple choice and fill-in responses. The contents of this array can be converted to a comma-delimited string by using the `toString()` method, `Responses.toString()`.

Now, how does one submit these values? The `\eq@submitURL` command can be used not only to submit the data, but to also populate certain *hidden* fields with this information. The hidden data is submitted along with the ID info to be processed. You can use the `\textField` to create hidden text fields for this purpose. See the next section for a discussion of how to create hidden text fields.

10.2. Features *apropos* to Submitting

• Assigning Points

The questions on a quiz, especially a quiz meant for credit, may not have the same weight. A point scheme, therefore, has been created; several additional text fields in support have also been defined.

Here is a simple two question example to illustrate:

Begin Quiz Answer each of the following. Passing is 100%.

1. (4^{pts}) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$, then we say that f is...
differentiable continuous integrable
2. (6^{pts}) Name *one* of the two people recognized as a founder of Calculus.

End Quiz

Answers:

Points:

Percent:

▶ See the sample file [quizpts.tex](#) for a more elaborate version of this question, as well as the source code.

1. `\PTs#1`: This macro takes one argument, the number of points to be assigned to the current problem. Place this command immediately after the `\item` in the `questions` environment. For example, in the above quiz we had

```
\item\PTs{6} Name \emph{one} of the two people recognized  
as a founder of Calculus.
```

2. `\PTsHook#1`: This macro, which takes one argument, can be used to typeset the points assigned. and is called by `\PTs`. The argument is what is to be typeset. The value assigned the current problem by `\PTs` is contained within the macro `\eqPTs`. In the quiz above, we had

```
\PTsHook{($\eqPTs~{\text{pts}}$)}
```

3. There are three other commands that create text fields to display results from a quiz with points assigned:
 - `\PointsField[#1]#2`: The number of points earned for the quiz, the total points are also reported. The parameter `#2` is the base name of the quiz.
 - `\PercentField[#1]#2`: The percentage score for the quiz. The parameter `#1` is the base name of the quiz.
 - `\GradeField[#1]#2`: The letter grade of the performance on the quiz. The parameter `#2` is the base name of the quiz.

The values placed in this field are determined by the macro `\eqGradeScale`.

4. `\eqGradeScale`: This macro sets the grade scale of a quiz, the default definition is

```
\newcommand\eqGradeScale{"A",[90, 100],"B",[80,90],  
"C",[70,80],"D",[60,70],"F",[0,60]}
```

The ways things are defined now, there can be only one grade scale per document. The value of `\eqGradeScale` is a matrix with an even number of elements. The odd numbered elements are the grades; the even number elements are intervals of percentages (percentages of the total number of points on the quiz). If the percentage of the score falls into a particular range, the corresponding grade is assigned.

Note, obviously, you can redefine this command. The letter grades do not actually have to be grades, they can be little messages to the student upon completion of the quiz.

```
\renewcommand\eqGradeScale{%  
"Excellent Work.",[90, 100],  
"Solid Effort.",[80,90],  
"Fair.",[70,80],  
"Needs improvement, better work expected.",[60,70],  
"Learning still in progress.",[0,60]}
```

```
}
```

- `\NoPeeking`

If you execute the command `\NoPeeking` in the preamble of your document, or prior to a `quiz`, then any quiz question with solution will be protected somewhat from prying eyes.

In this case, an open page action is placed on the first page of each solution. If the user (student) tries to view a quiz solution before doing the quiz, the [Acrobat Reader](#) will automatically change the page to the page containing the quiz and place an alert box on the screen saying that viewing the solution before taking the quiz is not permitted.

To resort to the default behavior, use the `\AllowPeeking` command.

The previous `quiz` has been surrounded with a `\NoPeeking/-\AllowPeeking` pair. If you go to one of the [solutions](#) to that quiz, you will see what happens. If nothing interesting happens, read the next red point.

▶ Protection is removed when you click on “End Quiz” and restored when you click on some “Begin Quiz”.

11. The eq2db Package

As the name suggests, this package facilitates submitting an **Exerquiz** to a CGI for storage in a database. The \LaTeX package itself does very little other than to define some useful commands that make it easy to convert a self-contained quiz into one that is submitted to server-side script.

The eq2db currently has two options, `eqRecord` and `custom`:

```
\usepackage[eqRecord]{eq2db}
```

The option `eqRecord` sets up the quiz to use an ASP (Active Server Page) that I have written. This ASP, named naturally, `eqRecord.asp`, takes the data and stores it to a database, such as Microsoft Access.

There is also a `custom` option. With this option, a developer can write \LaTeX code to set the quiz up for submission to a CGI used or written by the developer.

► For more details, see [eq2dbman.pdf](#) (the absolute URL to this document is [eq2dbman.pdf](#)), the documentation for the distribution. eq2db is available for download at the [AcroTeX](#) home page:

<http://www.math.uakron.edu/~dpstory/webeq.html>

12. AcroTeX eForm Support

In this document, we describe the support for form elements in an AcroTeX document. The PDF Specifications indicate there are four different categories of fields for a total of seven types of fields.

1. Button Fields

- (a) Push Button
- (b) Check Box
- (c) Radio Button

2. Choice Fields

- (a) List Box
- (b) Combo Box

3. Text Fields

4. Signature Fields

The AcroTeX Bundle does not support *signature fields*, this leaves six types of fields. Commands for creating each of the remaining six types will be discussed.

The hyperref Package (Rahtz, Oberdiek *at al*) provides support for the same set of form fields; however, not all features of these fields can be accessed through the hyperref commands. I was determined to write my own set of commands which would be sufficiently comprehensive

and extendable to suit all the needs of the [AcroT_EX Bundle](#). All the quiz environments have been modified to use this new set of form commands, in this way, there is a uniform treatment of all form fields in [AcroT_EX Bundle](#).

► The documentation for eForm support is too voluminous to include in his already voluminous document. See [eformman.pdf](#) (relative link [eformman.pdf](#)) for complete details.

13. List of Options

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages	
Options of the Web Package	
<code>dvipsone</code>	dvi-to-ps driver by Y&Y, Inc.
<code>dvips</code>	dvi-to-ps driver
<code>pdftex</code>	tex-to-pdf application
<code>dviwindo</code>	Y&Y's dvi previewer (links work in previewer)
<code>dvipdfm</code>	dvi-to-pdf application
<code>textures</code>	the Textures System for Mac
<code>designi,</code> <code>designii,</code> <code>designiii,</code> <code>designiv,</code> <code>designv</code>	these set screen design parameters
<code>usetemplates</code>	this option activates mechanism for creating colored backgrounds and overlays

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>leftpanel</code>	creates a left navigational panel
<code>rightpanel</code>	creates a right navigational panel
<code>navibar</code>	inserts a menu bar at the bottom of each page
<code>latextoc</code>	displays the standard toc
<code>nodirectory</code>	eliminates the directory listing on the title page
<code>forpaper</code>	this turns off color, and does not put solutions on separate pages.
<code>forcolorpaper</code>	Same as <code>forpaper</code> , but does not turn off color, useful for color printers.
<code>latexlayout</code>	<code>web</code> uses page layout for <code>article</code> class. For use with <code>forpaper</code> .
<code>tight</code>	redefines list environment parameters so lists don't take up so much space

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>dutch</code>	Dutch for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Henny Wilbrink)
<code>french</code>	French for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Jean-Michel Sarlat)
<code>german</code>	German for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Michael Wiedmann)
<code>italian</code>	Italian for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to PierLuigi Zezza)
<code>norsk</code>	Norwegian for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Hans Fredrik Nordhaug)
<code>russian</code>	Russian for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Sergei V. Znamenskii)

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>spanish</code>	Spanish for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Pedro Luis Luque)
<code>polish</code>	Polish for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Jerzy Mycielski)
<code>finnish</code>	Finnish for web, passed to exerquiz. (Thanks to Päivi Porras)
Options of the Exerquiz Package	
<code>pdftex</code>	tex-to-pdf application
<code>dviwindo</code>	Y&Y's dvi previewer (exercise environment only)
<code>dvipdfm</code>	dvi-to-pdf application
<code>nosolutions</code>	removes the solutions to the exercises
<code>noquizzesolutions</code>	removes the solutions to the quizzes

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>nohiddensolutions</code>	overrides the ‘h’ (hidden) option for the exercises.
<code>noHiddensolutions</code>	overrides the ‘h’ and ‘H’ (hidden) options for the exercises.
<code>nocorrections</code>	removes the ability to correct the quizzes
<code>solutionsafter</code>	solutions to exercises are typeset just after the question
<code>forpaper</code>	same function as in <code>web</code> . Needed when <code>exerquiz</code> is not used with <code>web</code>
<code>preview</code>	shows the outline of all form fields in the dvi previewer
<code>nodljs</code>	turns off the insertion of DLJS
<code>exercisonly</code>	if document has only exercises, no doc level JS needed
<code>debug</code>	this option is passed on to the <code>insDLJS</code> package

Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>proofing</code>	mark the correct answers for <code>shortquiz</code> & <code>quiz</code> for proof reading.
<code>dutch</code>	JavaScript messages in Dutch (Thanks to Henny Wilbrink)
<code>french</code>	JavaScript messages in French (Thanks to Jean-Michel Sarlat)
<code>german</code>	JavaScript messages in German (Thanks to Michael Wiedmann)
<code>italian</code>	JavaScript messages in Italian (Thanks to PierLuigi Zezza)
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Options of the Web/Exerquiz Packages (cont.)	
<code>polish</code>	JavaScript messages in Spanish (Thanks to Jerzy Mycielski)
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Solutions to Exercises

Exercise 1. We evaluate by integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^2 e^{2x} dx &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - \int x e^{2x} dx && u = x^2, dv = e^{2x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - \left[\frac{1}{2}x e^{2x} - \int \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} dx \right] && \text{integration by parts} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - \frac{1}{2}x e^{2x} + \frac{1}{2} \int e^{2x} dx && u = x^2, dv = e^{2x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 e^{2x} - \frac{1}{2}x e^{2x} + \frac{1}{4} e^{2x} && \text{integration by parts} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(2x^2 - 2x + 1)e^{2x} && \text{simplify!}\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1

Exercise 2.

$$x + y = 1$$

Exercise 2

Exercise 3(a) Velocity is the rate of change of position with respect to time. In symbols:

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

For our problem, we have

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(t^2 - 5t + 1) = 2t - 5.$$

The velocity at time t is given by $v = 2t - 5$.



Exercise 3(b) Acceleration is the rate of change of velocity with respect to time. Thus,

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

For our problem, we have

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(2t - 5) = 2.$$

The acceleration at time t is constant: $\boxed{a = 2}$.



Exercise 4(a) $i^2 = -1$



Exercise 4(b) $i^3 = ii^2 = -i$



Exercise 4(c) $z + \bar{z} = \operatorname{Re} z$



Exercise 4(d) $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1 \bar{z}}{z \bar{z}} = \frac{z}{z \bar{z}} = \frac{z}{|z|^2}$



Exercise 6(a) $v = 2t - 5$.



Problem 8. This is the solution.



Exercise 9. It is well known that $2 + 2 = 4$.

Exercise 9

Project Hint: There, you didn't need my help after all.



Solutions to Quizzes

Solution to Quiz: The answer is ‘Yes’. The definition requires that

$$F'(x) = f(x) \quad \text{for all } x,$$

well, let’s check it out.

The definition of f is $f(s) = 4s^3$ and so $f(x) = 4x^3$.

The definition of F is $F(t) = t^4$ and so, by the rules of differentiation, $F'(t) = 4t^3$. Thus, $F'(x) = 4x^3$. Therefore,

$$F'(x) = 4x^3 = f(x) \quad \text{for all } x,$$

as required by the definition. ■

Solution to Quiz: If you erred on this one, more than likely it was on the appropriate multiplicative constant: 6 not 18. At least that's what I'm betting on.

The instructions of the LCD Algorithm said to *completely factor the denominator*. Here's a list of the factors

$$\underbrace{3, x^{3/2}, y^2}_{\text{first term}}, \underbrace{2, 3, x, y^4}_{\text{second term}}$$

Let's rearrange them

$$2, 3, 3, x, x^{3/2}, y^2, y^4$$

Now drop duplicate factors—that's the 3. Oops! I did mention dropping identical factors, didn't I?

$$2, 3, x, x^{3/2}, y^2, y^4$$

Now, group together all terms which have the same base, then drop, from each of these groups all terms but the one with the highest power. We obtain then,

$$2, 3, x^{3/2}, y^4$$

The LCD is the product of same:

$$\text{LCD} = (2)(3)x^{3/2}y^4 = 6x^{3/2}y^4.$$

Solution Notes: Alternative (a) will work as a common denominator, but it is not the least common denominator. If you use (a), you will be working with larger numbers than is really necessary. ■

Solution to Quiz: Yes, Donald Knuth was the creator of T_EX. ■

Solution to Quiz: Yes, Leslie Lamport was the creator of \LaTeX .



Solution to Quiz:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin^2(x) = 2 \sin(x) \cos(x) = \sin(2x)$$



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