

# **penlightplus**

## **Additions to the Penlight Lua Libraries**

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## **Package Options and Set-Up**

This package first loads the `[import]penlight` package—see the documentation here <https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/index.html>.

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

The following global Lua variables are defined:

`--SKIP_TEX--` If using the `penlightplus` package with `texlua` (good for troubleshooting), set this global before loading `penlight`

`--PL_GLOBALS--` If using this package with `texlua` and you want to set some functions as globals (described in next sections), set this variable to `true` before loading `penlight`

`--PL_NO_HYPERREF--` a flag used to change the behaviour of some functions, depending on if you don't use the `hyperref` package

`--PDFmetadata--` a table used to store PDF meta-data for `pdfx` package.

### **globals option**

If the package option `globals` is used, many additional globals are set for easier scripting. `pl.hasval`, `pl.COMP`, `pl.utils.kpairs`, `pl.utils.npairs` become globals. `pl.tablex` is aliased as `pl.tbx` and `tbx` (which also includes all native Lua table functions), and `pl.array2d` is aliased as `pl.a2d` and `a2d`. Since this package uses the `penlight import` option, all `stringx` functions are injected into the `string` meta-table and you can use them like so: `'first name':upfirst()`.

If you want global `pl.tex` functions and variables, call `pl.make_tex_global()`.

## **texlua usage**

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

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

## **penlight additions**

Some functionality is added to penlight and Lua.

### **General Additions**

```
pl.hasval(x) Python-like boolean testing  
COMP'xyz'() Python-like comprehensions:  
    https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.comprehension.html
```

```
clone_function(f) returns a cloned function  
operator.strgt(a,b) compares strings a greater than b (useful for sorting)  
operator.strlt(a,b) compares strings a less than b (useful for sorting)
```

```
math.mod(n,d), math.mod2(n) math modulus
```

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

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

## **string additions**

```
string.upfirst(s) uppercase first letter
string.delspace(s) delete all spaces
string.trimfl(s) remove first and last chars
string.append(s, append, bool, alternate)
string.gfirst(s, t) return first matched pattern from an array of patterns t
string.gextract(s) extract a pattern from a string (returns capture and new string with
capture removed)
string.totable(s) string a table of characters
string.tolist(s) string a table of characters
string.containsany(s,t) checks if any of the array of strings t are in s using string.find
string.containsanycase(s,t) case-insensitive version
string.delspace(s) clear spaces from string
string.subpar(s, c) replaces \\par with a character of your choice default is space
string(fmt(s, t, fmt) format a string like format_operator, but with a few improvements.
t can be an array (reference items like \$1 in the string), and fmt can be a table of
formats (keys correspond to those in t), or a string that is processed by luakeys.
string.parsekv(s, opts) parse a string using penlight.luakeys. A string or table can be
used for opts.
```

## **tablex additions**

```
tablex(fmt(t, f) format a table with table or key-value string f
tablex.strinds(t) convert integer indexes to string indices (1 -> '1')
tablex.filterstr(t,e,case) keep only values in table t that contain expression e, case insensitive by default.
tablex.mapslice(f,t,i1,i2) map a function to elements between i1 and i2
tablex.listcontains(t,v) checks if a value is in a array-style list
```

## **seq additions**

A syntax to produce sequences or a 'train' of numbers is provided. This may be useful for including pages from a pdf, or selecting rows of a table with a concise syntax.  
seq.train(trn, len) produces a pl.List according to the arguments (like choo-choo train)  
seq.itrain(trn, len) produces an iterator according to the arguments.

An example syntax for trn is 'i1, i2, r1:r2', etc. where i1 and i2 are individual indexes/elements, separated by , and r1:r2 is a range (inclusive of end-point) denoted with a :. The range format follows python's numpy indexing, and a 'stride' can be given by including a second colon like ::2 -> is 1,3,5,..., or 2::3 -> 2,5,8,....

Negative numbers can be used to index relative to the length of the table, eg, `-1 -> len`, but if length is not given, negative indexing cannot be used and a number after the first colon must be provided. A missing left-number on the colon assumes 1, and missing right number assumes `len`. A missing 'stride' (number after the optional second colon) assumes a value of 1.

The default colon and comma separators for ranges and elements can be set with `seq.train_range_sep` and `seq.train_element_sep`, respectively.

```

1 \begin{luacode*}
2   for i in
3     pl.seq.itrain('1, :, 6, 0::2, -3 ',
4                   5) do
5       tex.print(i... ',')
6   end
7 \end{luacode*}
```

## A `pl.tex.` module is added

`add_bkt_cnt(n)`, `close_bkt_cnt(n)`, `reset_bkt_cnt` functions to keep track of adding curly brackets as strings. `add` will return `n` (default 1) `{`'s and increment a counter. `close` will return `n` `}`'s (default will close all brackets) and decrement.

`_NumBkts` internal integer for tracking the number of brackets

`opencmd(cs)` prints `\cs {` and adds to the bracket counters.

`xNoValue`, `xTrue`, `xFalse`: `xparse` equivalents for commands

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

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

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

`wrth(s1, s2)` pretty-print something to console. S2 is a flag to help you find., alias is `help_wrt`, also in `pl.wrth`

`prt_array2d(tt)` pretty print a 2d array

`pkgwarn(pkg, msg1, msg2)` throw a package warning

`pkerror(pkg, msg1, msg2, stop)` throw a package error. If stop is true, immediately ceases compile.

`defcmd(cs, val)` like `\gdef` , but note that no special chars allowed in `cs`(eg. `\@`)

`defmacro(cs, val)` like `\gdef` , allows special characters, but any tokens in `val` must be pre-defined (this uses `token.set_macro` internally)

`newcmd(cs, val)` like `\newcommand`

`renewcmd(cs, val)` like `\renewcommand`

`prvcmd(cs, val)` like `\providetcommand`

`deccmd(cs, dft, overwrite)` declare a command. If `dft` (default) is `nil`, `cs` is set to a package warning saying '`cs`' was declared and used in document, but never set. If `overwrite` is true, it will overwrite an existing command (using `defcmd`), otherwise, it will throw error like `newcmd`.

`get_ref_info(l)` accesses the `\r` @label and returns a table

## Recording LaTeX input as a lua variable

`penlight.tex.startrecording()` start recording input buffer without printing to latex  
`penlight.tex.stoprecording()` stop recording input buffer  
`penlight.tex.readbuf()` internal-use function that interprets the buffer. This will ignore an environment ending (eg. `end{envir}`)

`penlight.tex.recordedbuf` the string variable where the recorded buffer is stored

## penlightplus LaTeX Macros

### Macro helpers

`\Makeluastrings [def]{spec}` will let `\plluastrings (A|B|C..)` be `\luastrings (N|O|T|F)` based on the letters that `spec` is set to (or `default`) if nothing is provided) This is useful if you want to write a command with flexibility on argument expansion. The user can specify `n`, `o`, `t`, and `f` (case insensitive) if they want none, once, twice, or full expansion.

Variants of luastrings are added:

`\luastringsF {m} = \luastrings {m}`  
`\luastringsT {m}`, expand the first token of m twice

For example, we can control the expansion of args 2 and 3 with arg 1:

```
\NewDocumentCommand{\splittocomma}{ O{nn} m m }{%
    \Makeluastrings[nn]{#1}%
    \luadirect{penlight.tex.split2comma(\plluastringsA{#2},\plluastringsB{#3})}%
}
```

## Lua boolean expressions

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

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

## Case-switch for Conditionals

\caseswitch {case}{key-val choices} The starred version will throw an error if the case is not found. Use `__` as a placeholder for a case that isn't matched.

1 \def\caseswitchexample{\caseswitch{\mycase}{dog=DOG, cat=CAT, __=INVALID}}\\	DOG
2 \def\mycase{dog} \caseswitchexample \\	INVALID
3 \def\mycase{human} \caseswitchexample	

## Creating and using Lua tables in LaTeX - `tbl` interface

`penlightplus` provides a Lua-table interface. Tables are stored in the `penlight.tbls` table. You can access a table item within lua by using: `penlight.tbl'i'`.

\tblnew {t} declares a new table with name t  
\tblchg {t} changes the 'recent' table

\tblfrkv {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] new table from key-vals using luakeys  
\tblfrkvN {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] does not expand key-val string luakeys  
\tblfrkvCD {t}{key-val string}[luakeys opts] define tbl from key-val, check if any were not defined as defaults (see below), and then push all to definitions

\tblkvundefcheck will throw an error if you use define a table from key-values and use a key that was not specified in the luakeys parse options via `opts.defaults` or `opts.defs`.

\tblfrcsv {t}{csv} a shorthand \tblfrkv {t}{csv}[`naked_as_value=true,opts`], a good way to convert a comma-separated list to an array  
\tblfrcsvN {t}{csv} same as above, but the csv is not expanded.

```
\tblset {i}{v} sets a value of the table/index i to v  
\tblsetN {i}{v} same as above, but the value is not expanded.
```

```
\tblget {i} gets the value and tex.sprint()s it
```

```
\tbladd {i}{v} add a new value to a table using index method  
\tbladdN {i}{v} above, but don't expand the value argument
```

```
\tblcon {t}{csv} concatenate an array-style csv  
\tblconN {t}{csv}
```

```
\tblapp {t}{v} append a value (integer-wise) to a table  
\tblappN {t}{v}
```

```
\tbldef {i}{d} pushes the value to macro d  
\tbldefall {t}{d} define all item in table t (use recent if blank) with format d<key>  
where d is your prefix. If d is blank, keys will be defined as \dtbl <t><k> \tblgdef  
\tbldef {i}{d} pushes the defined value to a global  
\tbldefxy {i}{d} splits the value of item by spaces creates two definitions \dx and  
\dy . Useful for passing tikz coordinates like xy=0 5  
For defining tables, if d is blank, commands are defined as dtbl<t><k>
```

```
\iftbl {i}{tr}[fa] runs code ta if the item is true else fr  
\iftblv {i}{tr}[fa] runs code ta if the item is truthy (using pl.hasval) else fr
```

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

There are 3 ways to use the index (placeholder *i* above, note that this argument is fully expanded). *t.key* where *t* is the table name and *key* is a string key, *t/int* where *int* is an integer index (ie. uses *t[int]*, note that negative indexes are allowed where -1 is the last element), or simply use *ind* without the table name, where the assumed table is the last one that was created or changed to, (passing a number will be used as an integer index).

```

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

```

## A practical **tbl** example

```

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

```

Right-angle sides a=3 and b=4 form a hypotenuse of c=5

Right-angle sides a=3.20 and b=4.20 form a hypotenuse of c=5.28

C: 5.28

## Splitting strings

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

1 -\splittocomma{ j doe }{\and}-\`	-j doe-
2 -\splittocomma{ j doe \and s else }{\and}-\`	-j doe and s else-
3 -\splittocomma{ j doe \and s else \and a per }{\and}-\`	-j doe, s else, and a per-
4 -\splittocomma{ j doe \and s else \and a per \and f guy}{\and}-\`	-j doe, s else, a per, and f guy-
5	
6 \def\authors{j doe \and s else \and a per \and f guy}	j doe, s else, a per, and f guy
7 \splittocomma[o]{\authors}{\and}	

The expansion level is up to two characters, `n|o|t|f`, to control the expansion of each argument.

You can do a similar string split but to `\item` instead of commas with `\splittoitems`

```

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

```

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

## PDF meta data (for pdfx package)

`\writePDFmetadatakv` \* [x] {kv} Take a key-value string (eg. `title=whatever`, `author=me`) and then writes to the `jobname.xmpdata` file, which is used by pdfx. \* will first clear `__PDFmetadata__` which contains the metadata. The un-starred version updates that table. You can control the expansion of the key-val argument with [x], which is fully expanded by default. Command sequences are ultimately stripped from the values, except for `\and` is converted to `\sep` for pdfx usage (<https://texdoc.org/serve/pdfx/0>).

`\writePDFmetadata` runs the lua function `penlight.tex.writePDFmetadata()`, which pushes the lua variable `__PDFmetadata__` (a table) to the xmpdata file. This might be useful if you're updating `__PDFmetadata__` by some other means.

```

1 \writePDFmetadatakv{author=Some One} %
2 \writePDFmetadatakv*[n]{author=Kale \and You\xspace} % Overwrites above. Does not ←
      expand kv
3 \writePDFmetadatakv{date=2024-02-01}

```