## The HEP-FLOAT package\*

## Convenience package for float placement

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## Abstract

The HEP-FLOAT package redefines some LATEX float placement defaults and defines convenience wrappers for floats.

The HEP-FLOAT package can be loaded with \usepackage{hep-float}.

figure table Automatic float placement is adjusted to place a single float at the top of pages and to reduce the number of float pages, using the LATEX macros.

\setcounter{bottomnumber}{0} no floats at the bottom of a page (default 1) \setcounter{topnumber}{1} a single float at the top of a page (default 2) \setcounter{dbltopnumber}{1} same for full widths floats in two-column mode \renewcommand{\textfraction}{.1} large floats are allowed (default 0.2) \renewcommand{\topfraction}{.9} (default 0.7) \renewcommand{\dbltopfraction}{.9} (default 0.7) \renewcommand{\dbltopfraction}{.8} float pages must be full (default 0.5)

The most useful float placement is usually archived by placing the float *in front* of the paragraph it is referenced in first. Additionally, manual float placement can be deactivated using the manualplacement package option.

 $\verb|\raggedright|$ 

The float environments have been adjusted to center their content. The usual behaviour can be reactivated using \raggedright.

\panels

The panels environment makes use of the Subcaption package [1]. It provides sub-floats and takes as mandatory argument either the number of sub-floats (default 2) or the width of the first sub-float as fraction of the \linewidth. Within the \begin{panels}[ $\langle vertical\ alignment\rangle$ ]{ $\langle width\rangle$ } environment the \panel macro initiates a new sub-float. In the case that the width of the first sub-float has been given as an optional argument to the panels environment the \panel{ $\langle width\rangle$ } macro takes the width of the next sub-float as mandatory argument. The example code is presented in table 1a.

tabular The BOOKTABS [2] and MULTIROW [3] packages are loaded enabling publication quality tabulars such as in table 1b.

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\begin{panels}{2}		
code	one	two
\panel		${c}$ d
\begin{tabular}\end{tabular}		
\end{panels}	a b	c d

- (a) Code for this panel environment.
- (b) The booktabs and multirow features.

Table 1: Example use of the panels environment in Panel (a) and the features from the BOOKTABS and MULTIROW packages in Panel (b).

\graphic \graphics

The GRAPHICX package [4] is loaded and the  $\graphic[\langle width \rangle] \{\langle figure \rangle\}$  macro is defined, which is a wrapper for the  $\includegraphics\{\langle figure \rangle\}$  macro and takes the figure width as fraction of the  $\linewidth$  as optional argument (default 1). If the graphics are located in a sub-folder its path can be indicated by  $\graphics\{\langle subfolder \rangle\}$ .

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