

# penlight

Lua libraries for use in LuaLaTeX

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The official documentation for the Lua library can be found here:  
<https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight>

## Required Package Option

The first option sent to this package MUST be one of:

[penlight] or [pl].

All Penlight sub-modules are then available under this global variable by either `penlight.XYZ` or `pl.XYZ`

## texlua usage

If you want to use Penlight (and extras) with the `texlua` interpreter (no document made, only for Lua files, useful for testing), you can access it by setting `__SKIP_TEX__ = true` and adding the package to path. For example:

```
package.path = package.path .. ';'..'path/to/texmf/tex/latex/penlight/?..lua'  
penlight = require('penlight')  
-- below is optional  
__SKIP_TEX__ = true --only required if you want to use  
                    --penlightextras without a LaTeX run  
-- __PL_NO_GLOBALS__ = true -- optional, skip global definitions  
require('penlightextras')
```

## Additional Package Options

<code>stringx</code>	will import additional string functions into the string meta table. this will be ran in pre-amble: <code>require('pl.stringx').import()</code>
<code>format</code>	allows <code>%</code> operator for Python-style string formatting this will be ran in pre-amble: <code>require('pl.stringx').format_operator()</code> <a href="https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.stringx.html#format_operator">https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.stringx.html#format_operator</a>
<code>func</code>	allows placehold expressions eg. <code>_1+1</code> to be used this will be ran in pre-amble: <code>penlight.utils.import('pl.func')</code> <a href="https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.func">https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.func</a>
<code>extrasnoglobals</code>	does the above three ( <code>func</code> , <code>stringx</code> , <code>format</code> ); adds some additional functions to <code>penlight</code> module; and adds the <code>pl.tex</code> sub-module.
<code>extras</code>	does the above <code>extrasnoglobals</code> but makes many of the functions global variables.

## Extras

If `extras` is used, the following Lua globals will be defined:

## Misc stuff

`__SKIP_TEX__` If using package with `texlua`, set this global before loading `penlight`  
`__PL_NO_GLOBALS__` If using package with `texlua` and you don't want to set some globals (described in next sections), set this global before to `true` loading `penlight`  
`hasval(x)` Python-like boolean testing  
`COMP'xyz'()` Python-like comprehensions:  
<https://lunarmodules.github.io/Penlight/libraries/pl.comprehension.html>  
`math.mod(n,d)`, `math.mod2(n)` math modulus  
`string.totable(s)` string a table of characters  
`kpairs(t)`, `npairs(t)` iterate over keys only, or include nil value from table ipairs  
  
`pl.utils.filterfiles(dir,filt,rec)` Get files from `dir` and apply glob-like filters. Set `rec` to `true` to include sub directories

## **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.

`prt1(l)`, `prtt(t)` print a literal string, or table

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

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

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

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

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

`defcmd(cs, val)` like `\gdef`

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

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

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

`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`.

## **global extras**

If `extras` is used and NOT `extrasnoglobals`, then some globals are set.

All `pl.tex` modules are added.

`hasval`, `COMP`, `kpairs`, `npairs` are globals.

`pl.tablex` functions are added to the `table` table.

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The author of this library has merged all Lua sub-modules into one file for this package.