

# A Babel language definition file for French

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# 1 The French language

The file `frenchb.dtx`<sup>1</sup>, defines all the language definition macros for the French language.

Customisation for the French language is achieved following the book “Lexique des règles typographiques en usage à l’Imprimerie Nationale” troisième édition (1994), ISBN-2-11-081075-0.

First version released: 1.1 (May 1996) as part of babel-3.6beta. Version 2.0a was released in February 2007 and version 3.0a in February 2014.

babel-french has been improved using helpful suggestions from many people, mainly from Jacques André, Michel Bovani, Thierry Bouche, Vincent Jalby, Denis Bitouzé and Ulrike Fisher. Thanks to all of them!

$\text{\LaTeX}$ -2.09 is no longer supported. This new version (3.x) has been designed to be used only with  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$  and Plain formats based on TeX, pdfTeX, LuaTeX or XeTeX engines.

Changes between version 3.0 and v3.3d are listed in subsection 1.4 p. 10.

An extensive documentation is available in French here:

<http://daniel.flipo.free.fr/frenchb>

## 1.1 Basic interface

In a multilingual document, some typographic rules are language dependent, i.e. spaces before ‘high punctuation’ ( : ; ! ?) in French, others modify the general layout (i.e. layout of lists, footnotes, indentation of first paragraphs of sections) and should apply to the whole document.

The French language can be loaded with babel by a command like:

`\usepackage[german,spanish,french,british]{babel}`<sup>2</sup>

babel-french takes account of babel’s *main language* defined as the *last* option at babel’s loading. When French is not babel’s main language, babel-french does not alter the general layout of the document (even in parts where French is the current language): the layout of lists, footnotes, indentation of first paragraphs of sections are not customised by babel-french.

When French is loaded as the last option of babel, babel-french makes the following changes to the global layout, *both in French and in all other languages*<sup>3</sup>:

1. the first paragraph of each section is indented ( $\text{\LaTeX}$  only);
2. the default items in itemize environment are set to ‘—’ instead of ‘•’, and all vertical spacing and glue is deleted; it is possible to change ‘—’ to something else (‘–’ for instance) using `\frenchsetup{}` (see section 1.2 p. 5);
3. vertical spacing in general  $\text{\LaTeX}$  lists is shortened;
4. footnotes are displayed “à la française”.

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<sup>1</sup>The file described in this section has version number v3.3d and was last revised on 2017/10/19.

<sup>2</sup>Always use `french` as option name for the French language, former aliases `frenchb` or `francais` are *deprecated*; expect them to be removed sooner or later!

<sup>3</sup> For each item, hooks are provided to reset standard  $\text{\LaTeX}$  settings or to emulate the behavior of former versions of babel-french (see command `\frenchsetup{}`, section 1.2 p. 5).

5. the separator following the table or figure number in captions is printed as ‘–’ instead of ‘:’; for changing this see [1.2.3 p. 9](#).

Regarding local typography, the command `\selectlanguage{french}` switches to the French language<sup>4</sup>, with the following effects:

1. French hyphenation patterns are made active;
2. ‘high punctuation’ characters (: ; ! ?) automatically add correct spacing<sup>5</sup> in French; this is achieved using callbacks in Lua(La)TeX or ‘XeTeXinterchar’ mechanism in Xe(La)TeX; with TeX’82 and pdf(La)TeX these four characters are made active in the whole document;
3. `\today` prints the date in French;
4. the caption names are translated into French (L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X only). For customisation of caption names see section [1.2.2 p. 9](#).
5. the space after `\dots` is removed in French.

Some commands are provided by `babel-french` to make typesetting easier:

1. French quotation marks can be entered using the commands `\og` and `\fg` which work in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\varepsilon$</sub>  and PlainT<sub>E</sub>X, their appearance depending on what is available to draw them; even if you use L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\varepsilon$</sub>  and T1-encoding, you should refrain from entering them as <<~French quotation~>>: `\og` and `\fg` provide better horizontal spacing (controlled by `\FBguillspace`). If French quote characters are available on your keyboard, you can use them, to get proper spacing in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\varepsilon$</sub>  see option `og=<`, `fg=>` p. 9.

`\og` and `\fg` can be used outside French, they typeset then English quotes “ and ”.

A new command `\frquote{}` has been added in version 3.1 to enter French quotations. `\frquote{texte}` is equivalent to `\og texte \fg{}` for short quotations. For quotations spreading over more than one paragraph, `\frquote` will add at the beginning of every paragraph of the quotation either an opening French guillemet (`<`), or a closing one (`>`) or nothing depending on option `EveryParGuill=open` or `=close` or `=none`, see p. 8.

`\frquote` is recommended to enter embedded quotations “à la française”, several variants are provided through options.

- with all engines: the inner quotation is surrounded by double quotes (“texte”) unless option `InnerGuillSingle=true`, then a) the inner quotation is printed as `< texte >` and b) if the inner quotation spreads over more than one paragraph, every paragraph included in the inner quotation starts with a `<` or a `>` or nothing, depending on option `EveryParGuill=open` (default) or `=close` or `=none`.

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<sup>4</sup> `\selectlanguage{francais}` and `\selectlanguage{frenchb}` are no longer supported.

<sup>5</sup> Well, the automatic insertion may add unwanted spaces in some cases, for correction see `AutoSpacePunctuation` option and `\NoAutoSpacing` command p. 7.

- with LuaTeX based engines, it is possible to add a French opening or closing guillemet (« or ») at the beginning of every line of the inner quotation using option `EveryLineGuill=open` or `=close`; note that with any of these options, the inner quotation is surrounded by French guillemets (« and ») regardless option `InnerGuillSingle`; the default is `EveryLineGuill=none` so that `\frquote{}` behaves as with non-LuaTeX engines.

A starred variant `\frquote*` is meant for inner quotations which end together with the outer one: using `\frquote*` for the inner quotation will print only one closing quote character (the outer one) as recommended by the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’.

2. A command `\up` is provided to typeset superscripts like `M\up{me}` (abbreviation for “Madame”), `1\up{er}` (for “premier”). Other commands are also provided for ordinals: `\ier`, `\iere`, `\iers`, `\ieres`, `\ieme`, `\iemes` (`3\iemes` prints `3es`). All these commands take advantage of real superscript letters when they are available in the current font.
  3. Family names should be typeset in small capitals and never be hyphenated, the macro `\bsc` (boxed small caps) does this, e.g., `L.\~\bsc{Lamport}` will print the same as `L.\~\mbox{\textsc{Lamport}}`. Note that composed names (such as Dupont-Durant) may now be hyphenated on explicit hyphens, this differs from babel-french v. 1.x.
  4. Commands `\primo`, `\secundo`, `\tertio` and `\quarto` print  $1^{\circ}$ ,  $2^{\circ}$ ,  $3^{\circ}$ ,  $4^{\circ}$ . `\FrenchEnumerate{6}` prints  $6^{\circ}$ .
  5. Abbreviations for “Numéro(s)” and “numéro(s)” (`No` `Nos` `no` and `nos`) are obtained via the commands `\No`, `\Nos`, `\no`, `\nos`.
  6. Two commands are provided to typeset the symbol for “degré”: `\degre` prints the raw character and `\degres` should be used to typeset temperatures (e.g., “`20\degres C`” with a non-breaking space), or for alcohols’ strengths (e.g., “`45\degres`” with no space in French).
  7. In math mode the comma has to be surrounded with braces to avoid a spurious space being inserted after it, in decimal numbers for instance (see the `TExbook` p. 134). The command `\DecimalMathComma` makes the comma behave as an ordinary character *when the current language is French* (no space added); as a counterpart, if `\DecimalMathComma` is active, an explicit space has to be added in lists and intervals: `[$0,\,1]$`, `$(x,\,y)$`. `\StandardMathComma` switches back to the standard behaviour of the comma in French.
- The `icomma` package is an alternative workaround.
8. A command `\nombre` was provided in 1.x versions to easily format numbers in slices of three digits separated either by a comma in English or with a space in French; `\nombre` is now mapped to `\numprint` from `numprint.sty`, see `numprint.pdf` for more information.

- babel-french has been designed to take advantage of the `xspace` package if present: adding `\usepackage{xspace}` in the preamble will force macros like `\fg`, `\ier`, `\ieme`, `\dots`, to respect the spaces you type after them, for instance typing ‘1\ier juin’ will print ‘1<sup>er</sup> juin’ (no need for a forced space after 1\ier).

## 1.2 Customisation

Customisation of babel-french relies on command `\frenchsetup{}` (formerly called `\frenchbsetup{}`, the latter name will be kept for ever to ensure backwards compatibility), options are entered using the keyval syntax. The command `\frenchsetup{}` is to appear in the preamble only (after loading babel).

### 1.2.1 `\frenchsetup{options}`

`\frenchsetup{}` and `\frenchbsetup{}` are synonymous; the latter should be preferred as the language name for French in babel is no longer `frenchb` but `french`.

`\frenchsetup{ShowOptions}` prints all available options to the `.log` file, it is just meant as a remainder of the list of offered options. As usual with keyval syntax, boolean options (as `ShowOptions`) can be entered as `ShowOptions=true` or just `ShowOptions`, the `=true` part can be omitted.

The other options are listed below. Their default value is shown between braces, sometimes followed by a ‘\*’. The ‘\*’ means that the default shown applies when babel-french is loaded as the *last* option of babel —babel’s *main language*—, and is toggled otherwise.

`StandardLayout=true (false*)` forces babel-french not to interfere with the layout: no action on any kind of lists, first paragraphs of sections are not indented (as in English), no action on footnotes. This option can be used to avoid conflicts with classes or packages which customise lists or footnotes.

When French is not the main language, `StandardLayout=false` can be misused to ensure French typography (in French only). This is a *bad practice*: the document layout should not be altered by language switches.

`GlobalLayoutFrench=false (true*)` should no longer be used; it was intended to emulate, when French is the main language, what prior versions of babel-french (pre-2.2) did: lists, and first paragraphs of sections would be displayed the standard way in other languages than French, and “à la française” in French. Note that the layout of footnotes is language independent anyway (see below `FrenchFootnotes` and `AutoSpaceFootnotes`).

`ReduceListSpacing=false (true*)`; babel-french reduces the values of the vertical spaces used in the *all* list environments in French (this includes itemize, enumerate, description, but also abstract, quote, quotation and verse and possibly others). Setting this option to `false` reverts to the standard settings of the list environment.

`ListOldLayout=true (false)` ; starting with version 2.6a, the layout of lists has changed regarding leftmargins' sizes and default itemize label ('—' instead of ‘–’ up to 2.5k). This option, provided for backward compatibility, displays lists as they were up to version 2.5k.

`CompactItemize=false (true*)` ; should no longer be used (kept only for backward compatibility), it is replaced by the next two options.

`StandardItemizeEnv=true (false*)` ; babel-french redefines the itemize environment to suppress any vertical space between items of itemize lists in French and customises left margins. Setting this option to `false` reverts to the standard definition of itemize.

`StandardEnumerateEnv=true (false*)` ; starting with version 2.6 babel-french redefines the enumerate and description environments to make left margins match those of the French version of itemize lists. Setting this option to `false` reverts to the standard definition of enumerate and description.

`StandardItemLabels=true (false*)` when set to `true` this option prevents babel-french from changing the labels in itemize lists in French.

`ItemLabels=\textbullet, \textendash, \ding{43}, ... (\textemdash*)` ; when `StandardItemLabels=false` (the default), this option enables to choose the label used in French itemize lists for all levels. The next four options do the same but each one for a specific level only. Note that the example `\ding{43}` requires `\usepackage{pifont}`.

`ItemLabeli=\textbullet, \textendash, \ding{43}, ... (\textemdash*)`

`ItemLabelii=\textbullet, \textendash, \ding{43}, ... (\textemdash*)`

`ItemLabeliii=\textbullet, \textendash, \ding{43}, ... (\textemdash*)`

`ItemLabeliv=\textbullet, \textendash, \ding{43}, ... (\textemdash*)`

`StandardLists=true (false*)` forbids babel-french to customise any kind of list. Try the option `StandardLists` in case of conflicts with classes or packages that customise lists too. This option is just a shorthand setting all four options `ReduceListSpacing=false`, `StandardItemEnv=true`, `StandardEnumerateEnv=true` and `StandardItemLabels=true`.

`IndentFirst=false (true*)` ; set this option to `false` if you do not want babel-french to force indentation of the first paragraph of sections. When French is the main language, this option applies to all languages.

`FrenchFootnotes=false (true*)` reverts to the standard layout of footnotes. By default babel-french typesets leading numbers as '1. ' instead of '1', but has no effect on footnotes numbered with symbols (as in the `\thanks` command). Two commands `\StandardFootnotes` and `\FrenchFootnotes` are available to change the layout of footnotes locally; `\StandardFootnotes` can help when some footnotes are numbered with letters (inside minipages for instance).

`AutoSpaceFootnotes=false (true*)` ; by default babel-french adds a thin space in the running text before the number or symbol calling the footnote. Making this option `false` reverts to the standard setting (no space added).

`FrenchSuperscripts=false (true)` ; then `\up=\textsuperscript`. (option added in version 2.1). Should only be made `false` to recompile documents written before 2008 without changes: by default `\up` now relies on `\fup` designed to produce better looking superscripts.

`AutoSpacePunctuation=false (true)` ; in French, the user *should* input a space before the four characters ‘:;!?’ but as many people forget about it (even among native French writers!), the default behaviour of babel-french is to automatically typeset non-breaking spaces the width of which is either `\FBthinspace` (defaults to a thin space) before ‘;’ ‘!’ ‘?’ or `\FBcolonspace` (defaults to `\space`) before ‘:’; the defaults follow the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’s recommendations. This is convenient in most cases but can lead to addition of spurious spaces in URLs, in MS-DOS paths or in timetables (10:55) —this no longer occurs with LuaTeX—, except if they are typed in `\textttt` or verbatim mode. When the current font is a monospaced (typewriter) font, no spurious space is added in that case<sup>6</sup>, so the default behaviour of babel-french in that area should be fine in most circumstances.

Choosing `AutoSpacePunctuation=false` will ensure that a proper space is added before ‘:;!?’ *if and only if* a (normal) space has been typed in. This option gives full control on space insertion before ‘:;!?’ Those who are unsure about their typing in this area should stick to the default option and use the provided `\NoAutoSpacing` command inside a group in case an unwanted space is added by babel-french (i.e. `{\NoAutoSpacing http://mysite}`<sup>7</sup> or `{\NoAutoSpacing ???}` (needed for pdfTeX only).

`ThinColonSpace=true (false)` changes the inter-word non-breaking space added before the colon ‘:’ to a thin space, so that the same amount of space is added before any of the four ‘high punctuation’ characters. The default setting is supported by the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’.

`OriginalTypewriter=true (false)` prevents any customisation of `\ttfamily` and `\texttt{}` in French.

`LowercaseSuperscripts=false (true)` ; by default babel-french inhibits the uppercasing of superscripts (for instance when they are moved to page headers). Making this option `false` will disable this behaviour (not recommended).

`PartNameFull=false (true)` ; when true, babel-french numbers the title of `\part{}` commands as “Première partie”, “Deuxième partie” and so on. With some classes which change the `\part{}` command (AMS classes do

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<sup>6</sup>Unless option `OriginalTypewriter` is set, `\ttfamily` is redefined in French to switch off space tuning, see below.

<sup>7</sup>Actually, this is needed only with the XeTeX and pdfTeX engines. LuaTeX no longer inserts any space in strings like `http://mysite, C:\Foo, 10:55...`.

so), you could get “Première partie 1”, “Deuxième partie 2” in the toc; when this occurs, this option should be set to `false`, part titles will then be printed as “Partie I”, “Partie II”.

`CustomiseFigTabCaptions=false (true*)` ; when `false` the default separator (colon) is used instead of `\CaptionSeparator`. Anyway, babel-french tries hard to insert a proper space before it and warns if it fails to do so.

`OldFigTabCaptions=true (false)` is to be used when figures' and tables' captions must be typeset as with pre 3.0 versions of babel-french (with `\CaptionSeparator` in French and colon otherwise). Intended for standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X classes only.

`SmallCapsFigTabCaptions=false (true*)` ; when set to `false`, `\figurename` and `\tablename` will be printed in French captions as “Figure” and “Table” instead of being printed in small caps (the default).

`SuppressWarning=true (false)` ; can be turned to `true` if you are bored with babel-french's warnings; use this option as *first* option of `\frenchsetup{}` to cancel warnings launched by other options.

`INGuillSpace=true (false)` resets the dimensions of spaces after opening French quotes and before closing French quotes to the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’ standards (inter-word space). babel-french's default setting produces slightly narrower spaces with lesser stretchability.

`EveryParGuill=open, close, none (open)` ; sets whether an opening quote («) or a closing one (») or nothing should be printed by `\frquote{}` at the beginning of every paragraph included in a level 1 (outer) quotation. This option is also considered for level 2 (inner) quotations to decide between < and > when `InnerGuillSingle=true` (see below).

`EveryLineGuill=open, close, none (none)` ; with LuaTeX based engines *only*, it is possible to set this option to `open` [resp. `close`]; this ensures that a ‘«’ [resp. ‘»’] followed by a proper space will be inserted at the beginning of every line of embedded (inner) quotations spreading over more than one line (provided that both outer and inner quotations are entered with `\frquote{}`). When `EveryLineGuill=open` or `=close` the inner quotation is always surrounded by « and », the next option is ineffective.

`InnerGuillSingle=true (false)` ; if `InnerGuillSingle=false` (default), inner quotations entered with `\frquote{}` start with “ and end with ”. If `InnerGuillSingle=true`, < and > are used instead of British double quotes; moreover if option `EveryParGuill=open` (or `close`) is set, a < (or >) is added at the beginning of every paragraph included in the inner quotation.

`UnicodeNoBreakSpaces=true (false)` ; (experimental) this option should be set to `true` *only while converting* L<sup>a</sup>u<sup>a</sup>T<sub>e</sub>X files to HTML. It ensures that non-breaking spaces added by babel-french are inserted in the PDF file as U+A0 or U+202F (thin) instead of penalties and glues. Note that l<sup>w</sup>arp (v. 0.37 and up) is fully compatible with babel-french for translating PDFLaTeX or XeLaTeX files to HTML.

`og=<, fg=>` ; when guillemets characters are available on the keyboard (through a compose key for instance), it is nice to use them instead of typing `\og` and `\fg`. This option tells babel-french which characters are opening and closing French guillemets (they depend on the input encoding), then you can type either « guillemets » or «guillemets» (with or without spaces) to get properly typeset French quotes. This option works with LuaLaTeX and XeLaTeX; with pdfLaTeX it requires `inputenc` to be loaded with a proper encoding: 8-bits encoding (`latin1`, `latin9`, `ansinew`, `applemac`,...) or multi-byte encoding (`utf8`, `utf8x`).

**Options' order** – Please remember that options are read in the order they appear in the `\frenchsetup{}` command. Someone wishing that babel-french leaves the layout of lists and footnotes untouched but caring for indentation of first paragraph of sections should choose `\frenchsetup{StandardLayout,IndentFirst}` to get the expected layout. The reverse order `\frenchsetup{IndentFirst,StandardLayout}` would lead to option `IndentFirst` being overwritten by `StandardLayout`.

### 1.2.2 Caption names

All caption names can easily be customised in French using the simplified syntax introduced by babel 3.9, for instance: `\def\frenchproofname{Preuve}`. The older syntax `\addto\captionsfrench{\def\proofname{Preuve}}` still works. Keep in mind that *only* french can be used to redefine captions, even if babel's option was entered as `frenchb` or `francais`.

### 1.2.3 Figure and table captions

In French, captions in figures and tables should never be printed as ‘Figure 1:’ which is the default in standard  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  classes (a space should *always* precede a colon in French), anyway ‘Figure 1 –’ is preferred.

When French is the main language, the default behaviour of babel-french is to change the separator (colon) used in figures' and tables' captions *for all languages* to `\CaptionSeparator` which defaults to ‘–’ and can be redefined in the preamble with `\renewcommand*{\CaptionSeparator}{...}`. This works for the standard  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  classes, for the `memoir` and `koma-script` classes. In case this procedure fails a warning is issued.

When French is not the main language, the colon is preserved for all languages including French but babel-french tries hard to insert a proper space before it and warns if it fails to do so.

Three options are provided to customise figure and table captions:

- if `CustomiseFigTabCaptions` is set to `false` the colon will be used as separator in all languages, with a proper space before the colon in French (if possible);
- the second option, `OldFigTabCaptions`, can be set to `true` to print figures' and tables' captions as they were with versions pre 3.0 of babel-french (using `\CaptionSeparator` in French and colon in other languages); this option only makes sense with the standard  $\text{\LaTeX}$  classes `article`, `report` and `book`;

- the last option, `SmallCapsFigTabCaptions`, can be set to `false` to typeset `\figurename` and `\tablename` in French as “Figure” and “Table” rather than in small caps (the default).

### 1.3 Hyphenation checks

Once you have built your format, a good precaution would be to perform some basic tests about hyphenation in French. For  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  I suggest this:

- run pdfTeX on the following file, with the encoding suitable for your machine (*my-encoding* will be *latin1* for Unix machines, *ansinew* for PCs running Windows, *applemac* or *latin1* for Macintoshes, or *utf8*...)

```
%% Test file for French hyphenation.
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[my-encoding]{inputenc}
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc} % Use LM fonts
\usepackage{lmodern}      % for French
\usepackage[frenchb]{babel}
\begin{document}
\showhyphens{signal container \'ev\'ement alg\'ebre}
\showhyphens{signal container \'evenement alg\`ebre}
\end{document}
```

- check the hyphenations proposed by  $\text{\TeX}$  in your log-file; in French you should get with both 7-bit and 8-bit encodings  
*si-gnal contai-ner \'eve-ne-men-t al-g\`e-bre.*  
 Do not care about how accented characters are displayed in the log-file, what matters is the position of the ‘-’ hyphen signs *only*.

If they are all correct, your installation (probably) works fine, if one (or more) is (are) wrong, ask a local wizard to see what’s going wrong and perform the test again (or e-mail me about what happens).

Frequent mismatches:

- you get *sig-nal con-tainer*, this probably means that the hyphenation patterns you are using are for US-English, not for French;
- you get no hyphen at all in *\'eve-ne-men-t*, this probably means that you are using CM fonts and the macro `\accent` to produce accented characters. Using 8-bits fonts with built-in accented characters avoids this kind of mismatch.

### 1.4 Changes

#### What’s new in version 3.3?

In version 3.3d the automatic insertion of non-breaking spaces before the colon character has been improved *with engine LuaTeX only*: a spurious space is no longer inserted in strings like `http://mysite`, `C:\Program Files` or `10:55`. Unfortunately, my attempts to do the same with XeTeX or pdfTeX were unsuccessful.

A few internal changes have been made in version 3.3c to improve the conversion into HTML of non-breaking spaces added by babel-french. Usage of `\warp` (v.0.37 and up) is recommended for HTML output, it works fine on files compiled with XeLaTeX or pdfLaTeX formats. A new experimental option `UnicodeNoBreakSpaces` has been added for LuaLaTeX in version 3.3c, see p. 8.

According to current babel's standards, every dialect should have its own `.ldf` file; starting with version 3.3b, the main support for French is in `french.ldf`, portemanteau files `frenchb.ldf`, `francais.ldf`, `acadian.ldf` and `canadien.ldf` have been added. Recommended options are `french` or `acadian`, all other are deprecated.

Release 3.3a is compatible with LaTeX v. 0.95 (TL2016) and up. Former skips `\FBcolonskip`, `\FBthinspace` and `\FBguillskip` controlling punctuation spacings in LaTeX have been removed; all three engines now rely on the same commands `\FBcolonspace`, `\FBthinspace` and `\FBguillspace`.

An alias `\frenchsetup{}` for `\frenchbsetup{}` has been added in version 3.3a, it might appear more relevant in the future as the language name `frenchb` should vanish.

Further customisation of the `\part{}` command is provided via three new commands `\frenchpartfirst`, `\frenchpartsecond` and `\frenchpartnameord`.

### What's new in version 3.2?

Version 3.2g changes the default behaviour of `\frquote{}` with LaTeX based engines, the output is now the same with all engines; to recover the former behaviour, add option `EveryLineGuill=open`.

The handling of footnotes has been redesigned for the `beamer`, `memoir` and `koma-script` classes. The layout of footnotes "à la française" should be unchanged but footnotes' customisations offered by these classes (i.e. font or color changes) are now available even when option `FrenchFootnotes` is `true`.

A long standing bug regarding the `xspace` package has been fixed: `\xspace` has been moved up from the internal command `\FB@fg` to `\fg`; `\frquote{}` now works properly when the `xspace` package is loaded.

Version 3.2b is the first one designed to work with LaTeX v. 0.95 as included in TeXLive 2016 (LaTeX's new glue node structure is not compatible with previous versions).

**Warning to Lua(La)TeX users:** starting with version 3.2b the lua code included in `frenchb.lua` will *not* work on older installations (TL2015 f.i.), so babel-french reverts to active characters while handling high punctuation with LaTeX engines older than 0.95! The best way to go is to upgrade to TL2016 or equivalent asap. Xe(La)TeX and pdf(La)TeX users can safely use babel-french v. 3.2b and later on older installations too.

The internals of commands `\NoAutoSpacing`, `\ttfamilyFB`, `\rmfamilyFB` and `\sffamilyFB` have been completely redesigned in version 3.2c, they behave now consistently with all engines.

### What's new in version 3.1?

New command `\frquote{}` meant to enter French quotations, especially long ones (spreading over several paragraphs) and/or embedded ones. see p. 3 for

details.

### What's new in version 3.0?

Many deep changes lead me to step babel-french's version number to 3.0a:

- babel 3.9 is required now to process `frenchb.ldf`, this change allows for cleaner definitions of dates and captions for the Unicode engines LuaTeX and XeTeX and also provides a simpler syntax for end-users, see section 1.2.2 p.9.
- `\frenchsetup{}` options management has been completely reworked; two new options added.
- Canadian French didn't work as a normal babel's dialect, it should now; btw. the French language should now be loaded as `french`, *not as frenchb* or `francais` and preferably as a *global* option of `\documentclass`. Some tolerance still exists in v3.0, but do not rely on it.
- babel-french no longer loads `frenchb.cfg`: customisation should definitely be done using `\frenchsetup{}` options.
- Description lists labels are now indented; try setting `\descindentFB=0pt` (or `\listindentFB=0pt` for all lists) in the preamble if you don't like it.
- The last but not least change affects the (recent) LuaTeX-based engines, (this means version 0.76 as included in TL2013 and up): active characters are no longer used in French for 'high punctuation'<sup>8</sup>. Functionalities and user interface are unchanged.

Many thanks to Paul Isambert who provided the basis for the lua code (see his presentation at GUT'2010) and kindly reviewed my first drafts suggesting significant improvements.

Please note that this code, still experimental, is likely to change until LuaTeX itself has reached version 1.0.

Starting with version 3.0c, babel-french no longer customises lists with the `beamer` class and offers a new option ([INGuillSpace](#)) to follow French 'Imprimerie Nationale' recommendations regarding quotes' spacing.

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<sup>8</sup>The current babel-french version requires LuaTeX v. 0.95 as included in TL2016, see above.

## 2 The code

### 2.1 Initial setup

The macro `\LdfInit` takes care of preventing that this file is loaded more than once, checking the category code of the @ sign, etc.

```
1 \LdfInit\CurrentOption\captionsfrench
```

Make sure that `\l@french` is defined (possibly as 0). `babel.def` now (3.9i) defines `\l@<languagename>` also for eTeX, LuaTeX and XeTeX formats which set `\lang@<languagename>`.

```
2 \def\FB@nopatterns{%
3   \ifx\l@nohyphenation\undefined
4     \edef\bb@nulllanguage{\string\language=0}%
5     \adddialect\l@french0
6   \else
7     \adddialect\l@french\l@nohyphenation
8     \edef\bb@nulllanguage{\string\language=nohyphenation}%
9   \fi
10  \nopatterns{French}}
11 \ifx\l@french\undefined
12  \FB@nopatterns
13 \fi
```

**\ifLaTeXe** No support is provided for late L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X-2.09: issue a warning and exit if L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X-2.09 is in use. Plain is still supported.

```
14 \newif\ifLaTeXe
15 \let\bb@tempa\relax
16 \ifx\magnification\undefined
17   \ifx\@compatibilitytrue\undefined
18     \PackageError{french.lfd}{%
19       {LaTeX-2.09 format is no longer supported.\MessageBreak
20        Aborting here}
21       {Please upgrade to LaTeX2e!}}
22     \let\bb@tempa\endinput
23   \else
24     \LaTeXetru
25   \fi
26 \fi
27 \bb@tempa
```

Let's provide a substitute for `\PackageError`, `\PackageWarning` and `\PackageInfo` not defined in Plain:

```
28 \def\fb@error#1#2{%
29   \begingroup
30   \newlinechar='^J
31   \def\\{^J(french.lfd) }%
32   \errhelp{#2}\errmessage{\#1^J}%
33   \endgroup
34 \def\fb@warning#1{%
```

```

35  \begingroup
36    \newlinechar='^J
37    \def\\{^J(french.ldf) }%
38    \message{\#1^J}%
39  \endgroup}
40 \def\fb@info#1{%
41  \begingroup
42    \newlinechar='^J
43    \def\\{^J}%
44    \wlog{\#1}%
45  \endgroup}

```

Quit if babel's version is less than 3.9i.

```

46 \let\bb@tempa\relax
47 \ifx\babeltags@undefined
48   \let\bb@tempa\endinput
49   \ifLaTeXe
50     \PackageError{french.ldf}
51       {frenchb requires babel v.3.9i.\MessageBreak
52         Aborting here}
53       {Please upgrade Babel!}
54   \else
55     \fb@error{frenchb requires babel v.3.9i.\MessageBreak
56         Aborting here}
57       {Please upgrade Babel!}
58   \fi
59 \fi
60 \bb@tempa

```

Babel's French language can be loaded with option acadian which stands for Canadian French. If no specific hyphenation patterns are available, Canadian French will use the French ones.

```

61 \def\bb@tempa{acadian}
62 \ifx\CurrentOption\bb@tempa
63   \ifx\l@acadian@\undefined
64     \adddialect\l@acadian\l@french
65   \fi
66 \fi

```

French uses the standard values of `\lefthyphenmin` (2) and `\righthyphenmin` (3); let's provide their values though, as required by babel.

```
67 \expandafter\providehyphenmins\expandafter{\CurrentOption}{\tw@\thr@@}
```

**\iffBunicode** French hyphenation patterns are now coded in Unicode, see file `hyph-fr.tex`. XeTeX  
**\iffBLuaTeX** and LuaTeX engines require some extra code to deal with the French “apostrophe”.

**\iffBXeTeX** Let's define three new ‘if’: `\iffBLuaTeX`, `\iffBXeTeX` and `\iffBunicode` which will be true for XeTeX and LuaTeX engines and false for 8-bits engines.

We cannot rely on  $\text{\ifdefined}$  at this stage, as it is not defined in Plain TeX format.

```

68 \newif\iffBunicode
69 \newif\iffBLuaTeX

```

```

70 \newif\iffFBXeTeX
71 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
72 \expandafter\ifx\csname luatexversion\endcsname\relax
73 \else
74   \FBunicodetrue \FBLuaTeXtrue
75 \fi
76 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
77 \expandafter\ifx\csname XeTeXrevision\endcsname\relax
78 \else
79   \FBunicodetrue \FBXeTeXtrue
80 \fi

```

**\iffBFfrench** True when the current language is French or any of its dialects; will be set to true by `\extras\CurrentOption` and to false by `\noextras\CurrentOption`. Used in `\DecimalMathComma` and `frenchsetup{og=<, fg=>}`.

```
81 \newif\iffBFfrench
```

**\extrasfrench** The macro `\extrasfrench` will perform all the extra definitions needed for the **\noextrasfrench** French language. The macro `\noextrasfrench` is used to cancel the actions of `\extrasfrench`.

In French, character “apostrophe” is a letter in expressions like `l'ambulance` (French hyphenation patterns provide entries for this kind of words). This means that the `\lccode` of “apostrophe” has to be non null in French for proper hyphenation of those expressions, and has to be reset to null when exiting French.

The following code ensures correct hyphenation of words like `d'aventure`, `l'utopie`, with all TeX engines (XeTeX, LuaTeX, pdfTeX) using `hyph-fr.tex` patterns.

```

82 @namedef{extras\CurrentOption}{%
83   \FBfrenchtrue
84   \babel@savevariable{\lccode'\'}%
85   \iffBFunicode
86     \babel@savevariable{\lccode"2019}%
87     \lccode'\'="2019\lccode"2019="2019
88   \else
89     \lccode'\'='\
90   \fi
91 }
92 @namedef{noextras\CurrentOption}{\FBfrenchfalse}

```

Let's define a handy command for adding stuff to `\extras\CurrentOption`, `\noextras\CurrentOption` or `\captions\CurrentOption` but first let's save the value of `\CurrentOption` for later use in `\frenchsetup{}` ('`AfterEndOfPackage`', `\CurrentOption` will be lost).

```

93 \let\FB@CurOpt\CurrentOption
94 \newcommand*\FB@addto}[2]{%
95   \expandafter\addto\csname #1\FB@CurOpt\endcsname{#2}}

```

One more thing `\extrasfrench` needs to do is to make sure that “Frenchspacing” is in effect. `\noextrasfrench` will switch “Frenchspacing” off again if necessary.

```

96 \FB@addto{extras}{\bbl@frenchspacing}
97 \FB@addto{noextras}{\bbl@nonfrenchspacing}

```

## 2.2 Punctuation

As long as no better solution is available, the ‘high punctuation’ characters ( ; ! ? and : ) have to be made \active for an automatic control of the amount of space to be inserted before them. Both XeTeX and LuaTeX provide an alternative to active characters (‘XeTeXinterchar’ mechanism and LuaTeX’s callbacks).

```
\iffB@active@punct
 98 \newif\iffB@active@punct \FB@active@puncttrue
```

**\iffB@luatex@punct** Three internal flags are needed for the three different techniques used for ‘high punctuation’ management.

With LuaTeX, starting with version 0.95, callbacks are used to get rid of active punctuation. With previous versions, ‘high punctuation’ characters remain active (see below).

```
99 \newif\iffB@luatex@punct
100 \ifFB@luatex
101   \ifnum\luatexversion<95
102     \ifx\PackageWarning@\undefined
103       \fb@warning{Please upgrade LuaTeX to version 0.95 or above!\\%
104         frenchb will make high punctuation characters (;:!?) active\\%
105         with LuaTeX < 0.95.}%
106   \else
107     \PackageWarning{french.ldf}{Please upgrade LuaTeX
108       to version 0.95 or above!\MessageBreak
109       frenchb will make high punctuation characters\MessageBreak
110       (;:!?) active with LuaTeX < 0.95;\MessageBreak reported}%
111   \fi
112 \else
113   \FB@luatex@puncttrue\FB@active@punctfalse
114 \fi
115 \fi
```

**\iffB@xetex@punct** For XeTeX, the availability of \XeTeXinterchartokenstate decides whether the ‘high punctuation’ characters ( ; ! ? and : ) have to be made \active or not.

The number of available character classes has been increased from 256 to 4096 in XeTeX v. 0.99994, the class for non-characters is now 4095 instead of 255.

```
116 \newcount\FB@nonchar
117 \newif\iffB@xetex@punct
118 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
119 \expandafter\ifx\csname XeTeXinterchartokenstate\endcsname\relax
120 \else
121   \FB@xetex@puncttrue\FB@active@punctfalse
122   \ifdim\the\XeTeXversion\XeTeXrevision pt<0.99994pt
123     \FB@nonchar=255 \relax
124   \else
125     \FB@nonchar=4095 \relax
126   \fi
127 \fi
```

**\FBcolonspace** According to the I.N. specifications, the ‘:’ requires an inter-word space before it, **\FBthinspace** the other three require just a thin space. We define **\FBcolonspace** as **\space** (inter-word space) and **\FBthinspace** as an half inter-word space with no shrink nor stretch, both are user customisable in the preamble.

```
128 \newcommand*{\FBcolonspace}{\space}
129 \newcommand*{\FBthinspace}{\hskip.5\fontdimen2\font \relax}
```

These commands will be converted into toks ‘AtBeginDocument’ for LuaTeX.

```
130 \newtoks\FBcolonsp
131 \newtoks\FBthinsp
```

With LuaTeX and XeTeX engines, babel-french handles French quotes together with ‘high punctuation’; the conditional **\iffB@spacing** will be used by PdfTeX and XeTeX engines to switch on or off space tuning before high punctuation and inside French quotes. A matching attribute will be defined later for LuaTeX.

```
132 \newif\iffB@spacing \FB@spacingtrue
```

**\FB@spacing@off** Two internal commands to switch on and off all space tuning for all six characters **\FB@spacing@on** ‘;:!?«»’. They will be triggered by user command **\NoAutoSpacing** and by font family switching commands **\ttfamilyFB** **\rmfamilyFB** and **\sffamilyFB**. These four commands will now behave the same with any engine (up to version 3.2b, results were engine dependent).

```
133 \newcommand*{\FB@spacing@on}{%
134   \iffB@luatex@punct
135     \FB@spacing=1 \relax
136   \else
137     \FB@spacingtrue
138   \fi}
139 \newcommand*{\FB@spacing@off}{%
140   \iffB@luatex@punct
141     \FB@spacing=0 \relax
142   \else
143     \FB@spacingfalse
144   \fi}
```

### 2.2.1 Punctuation with LuaTeX

The following part holds specific code for punctuation with modern LuaTeX engines, i.e. version 0.95 (included in TL2016) or newer.

We define three LuaTeX attributes to control spacing in French for ‘high punctuation’ and quotes, making sure that **\newattribute** is defined.

```
145 \iffB@luatex@punct
146   \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
147   \expandafter\ifx\csname newluafunction\endcsname\relax
```

This code is for Plain: loadltluatex.tex if it hasn’t been loaded before babel.

```
148   \input ltluatex.tex
149   \fi
```

\FB@spacing=0 switches off any space tuning both before high punctuation characters and inside French quotes (i.e. function french\_punctuation doesn't alter the node list at all). \FB@addDPspace=0 switches off automatic insertion of spaces before high punctuation characters (but typed spaces are still turned into non-breaking thin- or word-spaces). \FB@addGUILspace will be set to 1 by option `og=<>, fg=<>`, thus enabling automatic insertion of proper spaces after ‘‘’ and before ‘’’.

```

150  \newattribute\FB@spacing      \FB@spacing=1 \relax
151  \newattribute\FB@addDPspace   \FB@addDPspace=1 \relax
152  \newattribute\FB@addGUILspace \FB@addGUILspace=0 \relax
153  \newattribute\FB@ucsNBSP     \FB@ucsNBSP=0 \relax
154  \ifLaTeXe
155    \PackageInfo{french.ldf}{No need for active punctuation
156                          characters\MessageBreak with this version
157                          of LuaTeX!\MessageBreak reported}
158  \else
159    \fb@info{No need for active punctuation characters\\
160              with this version of LuaTeX!}
161  \fi
162\fi

```

This is `frenchb.lua`. It holds Lua code to deal with ‘high punctuation’ and quotes. This code is based on suggestions from Paul Isambert.

**frenchb.lua** First we define two flags to control spacing before French ‘high punctuation’ (thin space or inter-word space).

```

163 /*lua)
164 local FB_punct_thin =
165 {[string.byte("!")] = true,
166 [string.byte("?")] = true,
167 [string.byte(";")] = true}
168 local FB_punct_thick =
169 {[string.byte(":")] = true}

```

Managing spacing after ‘‘’ (U+00AB) and before ‘’’ (U+00BB) can be done by the way; we define two flags, `FB_punct_left` for characters requiring some space before them and `FB_punct_right` for ‘‘’ which must be followed by some space. In case LuaTeX is used to output T1-encoded fonts instead of OpenType fonts, codes 0x13 and 0x14 have to be added for ‘‘’ and ‘’’.

```

170 local FB_punct_left =
171 {[string.byte("!")] = true,
172 [string.byte("?")] = true,
173 [string.byte(";")] = true,
174 [string.byte(":")] = true,
175 [0x14]           = true,
176 [0xBB]           = true}
177 local FB_punct_right =
178 {[0x13]           = true,
179 [0xAB]           = true}

```

Two more flags will be needed to avoid spurious spaces in strings like !! ?? or (?)

```
180 local FB_punct_null =
```

```

181 {[string.byte("!")] = true,
182 [string.byte("?")] = true,
183 [string.byte("[")] = true,
184 [string.byte("(")] = true,

```

or if the user has typed a non-breaking space U+00A0 or U+202F (thin) before a 'high punctuation' character: no space should be added by babel-french. Same is true inside French quotes.

```

185 [0xA0] = true,
186 [0x202F] = true}
187 local FB_guil_null =
188 {[0xA0] = true,
189 [0x202F] = true}

```

Local definitions for nodes:

```

190 local new_node = node.new
191 local copy_node = node.copy
192 local node_id = node.id
193 local HLIST = node_id("hlist")
194 local TEMP = node_id("temp")
195 local KERN = node_id("kern")
196 local GLUE = node_id("glue")
197 local GLYPH = node_id("glyph")
198 local PENALTY = node_id("penalty")
199 local nobreak = new_node(PENALTY)
200 nobreak.penalty = 10000
201 local insert_node_before = node.insert_before
202 local insert_node_after = node.insert_after
203 local remove_node = node.remove

```

Commands \FBthinspace, \FBcolonspace and \FBguillspace are converted 'At-BeginDocument' into toks \FBthinsp, \FBcolonsp and \FBguillsp; the latter are processed by the next function get\_glue which returns a table of three values which are fractions of \fontdimen2, \fontdimen3 and \fontdimen4.

```

204 local function get_glue(toks)
205 local t = nil
206 local f = string.match(toks, "\hskip%s*([%d%.]*)%s*\fontdimen 2")
207 if f == "" then f = 1 end
208 if tonumber(f) then
209   t = {tonumber(f), 0, 0}
210   f = string.match(toks, "plus%s*([%d%.]*)%s*\fontdimen 3")
211   if f == "" then f = 1 end
212   if tonumber(f) then
213     t[2] = tonumber(f)
214     f = string.match(toks, "minus%s*([%d%.]*)%s*\fontdimen 4")
215     if f == "" then f = 1 end
216     if tonumber(f) then
217       t[3] = tonumber(f)
218     end
219   end
220 elseif string.match(toks, "\FB?thinspace") then
221   t = {0.5, 0, 0}

```

```

222 elseif string.match(toks, "\space") then
223     t = {1, 1, 1}
224 end
225 return t
226 end
227 local colnlg = get_glue(tex.toks['FBcolonsp']) or {1, 1, 1}
228 local thingl = get_glue(tex.toks['FBthinsp']) or {.5, 0, 0}
229 local guilgl = get_glue(tex.toks['FBguillsp']) or {.8, .3, .8}

```

The next function converts glue sizes returned in fontdimens by function `get_glue` into sp for the current font; beware of null values for fid, see `\nullfont` in TikZ, and of special fonts like `lcircle1.pfb` for which `font.getfont(fid)` does not return a proper font table, in such cases the function returns nil.

```

230 local font_table = {}
231 local function new_glue_scaled (fid,table)
232     if fid > 0 then
233         local fp = font_table[fid]
234         if not fp then
235             local ft = font.getfont(fid)
236             if ft then
237                 font_table[fid] = ft.parameters
238                 fp = font_table[fid]
239             end
240         end
241         local gl = new_node(GLUE,0)
242         if fp then
243             node.setglue(gl, table[1]*fp.space,
244                         table[2]*fp.space_stretch,
245                         table[3]*fp.space_shrink)
246             return gl
247         else
248             return nil
249         end
250     else
251         return nil
252     end
253 end

```

Let's catch LuaTeX attributes `\FB@spacing`, `\FB@addDPSpace` and `\FB@addGUILspace`.

```

254 local FBspacing    = luatexbase.attributes['FB@spacing']
255 local addDPSpace   = luatexbase.attributes['FB@addDPSpace']
256 local addGUILspace = luatexbase.attributes['FB@addGUILspace']
257 local FBucsNBSP    = luatexbase.attributes['FB@ucsNBSP']
258 local has_attribute = node.has_attribute

```

The following function will be added to kerning callback. It catches all nodes of type `GLYPH` in the list starting at `head` and checks the language attributes of the current glyph: nothing is done if the current language is not French and only specific punctuation characters (those for which `FB_punct_left` or `FB_punct_right` is true) need a special treatment. In French, local variables are defined to hold the properties of the current glyph (`item`) and of the previous one (`prev`) or the next one (`next`).

```

Constant FR=lang.id(french) is defined by command \activate@luatexpunct.

259 local function french_punctuation (head)
260   for item in node.traverse_id(GLYPH, head) do
261     local lang = item.lang
262     local char = item.char
263     local fid = item.font
264     local FRspacing = has_attribute(item, FBspacing)
265     FRspacing = FRspacing and FRspacing > 0
266     local FRucsNBSP = has_attribute(item, FBucsNBSP)
267     FRucsNBSP = FRucsNBSP and FRucsNBSP > 0
268     local NBthinspace = new_node("glyph")
269     NBthinspace.font = fid
270     NBthinspace.char = 0x202F
271     local NBcolnspace = new_node("glyph")
272     NBcolnspace.font = fid
273     if colngl[1] <= 0.5 then
274       NBcolnspace.char = 0x202F
275     else
276       NBcolnspace.char = 0xA0
277     end
278     local NBguilspace = new_node("glyph")
279     NBguilspace.font = fid
280     if guilgl[1] <= 0.5 then
281       NBguilspace.char = 0x202F
282     else
283       NBguilspace.char = 0xA0
284     end
285     local SIG = has_attribute(item, addGUILspace)
286     SIG = SIG and SIG >0
287     if lang == FR and FRspacing and
288         FB_punct_left[char] and fid > 0 then
289       local prev = item.prev
290       local prev_id, prev_subtype, prev_char
291       if prev then
292         prev_id = prev.id
293         prev_subtype = prev.subtype
294         if prev_id == GLYPH then
295           prev_char = prev.char
296         end
297       end

```

If the previous node is a glue, check its natural width, only positive glues (actually glues > 1 sp, for tabular 'l' columns) are to be replaced by a non-breaking space.

```

298   local is_glue = prev_id == GLUE
299   local glue_wd
300   if is_glue then
301     glue_wd = prev.width
302   end
303   local realglue = is_glue and glue_wd > 1

```

For characters for which FB\_punct\_thin or FB\_punct\_thick is *true*, the amount of spacing to be typeset before them is controlled by commands \FBthinspace

and \FBcolonspace respectively. Two options: if a space has been typed in before (turned into *glue* in the node list), we remove the *glue* and add a nobreak penalty and the required *glue*. Otherwise (auto option), the penalty and the required *glue* are inserted if attribute \FB@addDPspace is set, unless any of these four conditions is met: a) node is ':' and the next one is of type GLYPH (avoids spurious spaces in http://mysite, C:\ or 10:35); b) the previous character is part of type FB\_punct\_null (avoids spurious spaces in strings like ( ! ) or ??); c) a null glue (actually glues <= 1 sp for tabulars) preceeds the punctuation character (for tabulars and listings); d) the punctuation character starts a paragraph or an \hbox{}.

When option **UnicodeNoBreakSpaces** is set to **true**, a Unicode character U+00A0 or U+202F is inserted instead of penalty and glue.

```

304      if FB_punct_thin[char] or FB_punct_thick[char] then
305          local SBDP = has_attribute(item, addDPspace)
306          local auto = SBDP and SBDP > 0
307          if FB_punct_thick[char] and auto then
308              local next = item.next
309              local next_id
310              if next then
311                  next_id = next.id
312              end
313              if next_id and next_id == GLYPH then
314                  auto = false
315              end
316          end
317          if auto then
318              if (prev_char and FB_punct_null[prev_char]) or
319                  (is_glue and glue_wd <= 1) or
320                  (prev_id == HLIST and prev_subtype == 3) or
321                  (prev_id == TEMP) then
322                      auto = false
323                  end
324          end
325          local fbglue
326          local nbspace
327          if FB_punct_thick[char] then
328              fbglue = new_glue_scaled(fid,colngl)
329              nbspace = NBcolnspace
330          else
331              fbglue = new_glue_scaled(fid,thingl)
332              nbspace = NBthinspace
333          end

```

In case new\_glue\_scaled fails (returns nil) the node list remains unchanged.

```

334          if (realglue or auto) and fbglue then
335              if realglue then
336                  head = remove_node(head,prev,true)
337              end
338              if (FRucsNBSP) then
339                  insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(nbspace))
340              else

```

```

341         insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(nobreak))
342         insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(fbglue))
343     end
344 end

```

Let's consider '»' now (the only remaining glyph of FB\_punct\_left class): we just have to remove any *glue* possibly preceding '», then to insert the nobreak penalty and the proper *glue* (controlled by \FBguillspace). This is done only if French quotes have been 'activated' by options `og=<<, fg=>>` in \frenchsetup{} and can be denied locally with \NoAutoSpacing (this is controlled by the SIG flag). If either a) the preceding glyph is member of FB\_guil\_null, or b) '»' is the first glyph of an \hbox{} or a paragraph, nothing is done, this is controlled by the addgl flag.

```

345     elseif SIG then
346         local addgl = (prev_char and not FB_guil_null[prev_char]) or
347             (not prev_char and
348                 prev_id ~= TEMP and
349                 not (prev_id == HLIST and prev_subtype == 3)
350             )

```

Correction for tabular 'c' (glue 0 plus 1 fil) and 'l' (glue 1sp) columns:

```

351     if is_glue and glue_wd <= 1 then
352         addgl = false
353     end
354     local fbglue = new_glue_scaled(fid, guilgl)
355     if addgl and fbglue then
356         if is_glue then
357             head = remove_node(head, prev, true)
358         end
359         if (FRucsNBSP) then
360             insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(NBguilspace))
361         else
362             insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(nobreak))
363             insert_node_before(head, item, copy_node(fbglue))
364         end
365     end
366 end
367 end

```

Similarly, for '«' (unique member of the FB\_punct\_right class): unless either a) the next glyph is member of FB\_guil\_null, or b) '«' is the last glyph of an \hbox{} or a paragraph (then the addgl flag is false, nothing is done), we remove any *glue* possibly following it and insert first the proper *glue* then a nobreak penalty so that finally the penalty precedes the *glue*.

```

368     if lang == FR and FRspacing and FB_punct_right[char]
369             and fid > 0 and SIG then
370         local next = item.next
371         local next_id, next_subtype, next_char, nextnext, kern_wd
372         if next then
373             next_id = next.id
374             next_subtype = next.subtype
375             if next_id == GLYPH then

```

```

376           next_char = next.char
A kern0 might hide a glue, so look ahead if next is a kern (this occurs with
« \texttt{a} »):
377           elseif next_id == KERN then
378               kern_wd = next.kern
379               if kern_wd == 0 then
380                   nextnext = next.next
381                   if nextnext then
382                       next = nextnext
383                       next_id = nextnext.id
384                       next_subtype = nextnext.subtype
385                       if next_id == GLYPH then
386                           next_char = nextnext.char
387                           end
388                           end
389                           end
390           end
391           local is_glue = next_id == GLUE
392           if is_glue then
393               glue_wd = next.width
394               end
395           local addgl = (next_char and not FB_guil_null[next_char]) or
396                           (next and not next_char)

```

Correction for tabular ‘c’ columns. For ‘r’ columns, a final ‘‘’ character needs to be coded as \mbox{‘‘’} for proper spacing (\NoAutoSpacing is another option).

```

398           if is_glue and glue_wd == 0 then
399               addgl = false
400           end
401           local fid = item.font
402           local fbglue = new_glue_scaled(fid,guilgl)
403           if addgl and fbglue then
404               if is_glue then
405                   head = remove_node(head,next,true)
406               end
407               if (FRucsNBSP) then
408                   insert_node_after(head, item, copy_node(NBguilspace))
409               else
410                   insert_node_after(head, item, copy_node(fbglue))
411                   insert_node_after(head, item, copy_node(nobreak))
412               end
413           end
414       end
415   end
416   return head
417 end
418 return french_punctuation
419 
```

\FB@luatex@punct@french As a language tag is part of glyph nodes in LuaTeX, nothing needs to be added

to `\extrasfrench` and `\noextrasfrench`; we will just redefine `\shorthandoff` and `\shorthandon` in French to issue a warning reminding the user that active characters are no longer used in French with recent LuaTeX engines.

```

420 \iffB@luatex@punct
421   \newcommand*{\FB@luatex@punct@french}{%
422     \babel@save{\shorthandon}%
423     \babel@save{\shorthandoff}%
424     \def\shorthandoff##1{%
425       \ifx\PackageWarning\undefined
426         \fb@warning{\noexpand\shorthandoff{;!:?} is helpless with
427           LuaTeX,\`{ } use \noexpand\NoAutoSpacing
428           *inside a group* instead.}%
429       \else
430         \PackageWarning{french.ldf}{\protect\shorthandoff{;!:?} is
431           helpless with LuaTeX,\MessageBreak use \protect\NoAutoSpacing
432           \space *inside a group* instead;\MessageBreak reported}%
433       \fi}%
434     \def\shorthandon##1{}%
435   }
436 \FB@addto{extras}{\FB@luatex@punct@french}

```

In  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\varepsilon$ , file `frenchb.lua` will be loaded ‘`AtBeginDocument`’ after processing options (`ThinColonSpace` needs to be taken into account). The next definition will be used to activate Lua punctuation: it sets the language number for French, loads `frenchb.lua` and adds function `french_punctuation` at the end of the kerning callback (no priority).

```

437 \def\activate@luatexpunct{%
438   \directlua{%
439     FR = \the\l@french
440     local path = kpse.find_file("frenchb.lua", "lua")
441     if path then
442       local f = dofile(path)
443       luatexbase.add_to_callback("kerning",
444         f, "frenchb.french_punctuation")
445     else
446       texio.write_nl('')
447       texio.write_nl('*****')
448       texio.write_nl('Error: frenchb.lua not found.')
449       texio.write_nl('*****')
450       texio.write_nl('')
451     end
452   }%
453 }
454 \fi

```

End of specific code for punctuation with LuaTeX engines.

### 2.2.2 Punctuation with XeTeX

If `\XeTeXinterchartokenstate` is available, we use the “inter char” mechanism to provide correct spacing in French before the four characters ; ! ? and :. The

basis of the following code was borrowed from the `polyglossia` package, see `gloss-french.ldf`. We use the same mechanism for French quotes (« and »), when automatic spacing for quotes is required by options `og=<` and `fg=>` in `\frenchsetup{}` (see section 2.11).

The default value for `\XeTeXcharclass` is 0 for characters tokens and `\FB@nonchar` for all other tokens (glues, kerns, math and box boundaries, etc.). These defaults should not be changed otherwise the spacing before the ‘high punctuation’ characters and inside quotes might not be correct.

We switch `\XeTeXinterchartokenstate` to 1 and change the `\XeTeXcharclass` values of ; ! ? : ( ] « and » when entering French. Special care is taken to restore them to their initial values when leaving French.

The following part holds specific code for punctuation with XeTeX engines.

```

455 \iffB@xetex@punct
456   \ifLaTeXe
457     \PackageInfo{french.ldf}{No need for active punctuation characters%
458                           \MessageBreak with this version of XeTeX!%
459                           \MessageBreak reported}
460   \else
461     \fb@info{No need for active punctuation characters\\
462               with this version of XeTeX!}
463   \fi

```

Six new character classes are defined for babel-french.

```

464   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@punctthick
465   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@punctthin
466   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@punctnul
467   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@guilo
468   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@guilf
469   \newXeTeXintercharclass\FB@guilnul

```

As `\babel@savevariable` doesn’t work inside a `\bbl@for` loop, we define a variant to save the `\XeTeXcharclass` values which will be modified in French.

```

470   \def\FB@savevariable@loop#1#2{\begingroup
471     \toks@\expandafter{\originalTeX #1}%
472     \edef\x{\endgroup
473       \def\noexpand\originalTeX{\the\toks@ #2=\the#1#2\relax}}%
474     \x}

```

`\FB@charlist` holds the all list of characters which have their `\XeTeXcharclass` value modified in French: the first set includes high punctuation, French quotes, opening delimiters and no-break spaces

"21	"3A	"3B	"3F	"AB	"BB	"28	"5B	"A0	"202F
!	:	;	?	«	»	(	[		

the second one holds those which need resetting in French when `xeCJK.sty` is in use

"29	"5D	"7B	"7D	"2C	"2D	"2E	"22	"25	"27	"60	"2019
)	]	{	}	,	-	.	"	%	'	'	'

```

475   \def\FB@charlist{"21,"3A,"3B,"3F,"AB,"BB,"28,"5B,"A0,"202F,%
476                           "29,"5D,"7B,"7D,"2C,"2D,"2E,"22,"25,"27,"60,"2019}

```

\FB@xetex@punct@french The following command will be executed when entering French, it first saves the values to be modified, then fits them to our needs. It also redefines \shorthandoff and \shorthandon (locally) to avoid error messages with XeTeX-based engines.

```

477  \newcommand*\FB@xetex@punct@french{%
478    \babel@savevariable{\XeTeXinterchartokenstate}%
479    \babel@save{\shorthandon}%
480    \babel@save{\shorthandoff}%
481    \bbl@for\FB@char\FB@charlist
482      {\FB@savevariable@loop{\XeTeXcharclass}{\FB@char}}%
483    \def\shorthandoff##1{%
484      \ifx\PackageWarning@\undefined
485        \fb@warning{\noexpand\shorthandoff{::!?} is helpless with
486          XeTeX, \ use \noexpand\NoAutoSpacing
487          *inside a group* instead.}%
488      \else
489        \PackageWarning{french.ldf}{\protect\shorthandoff{::!?} is
490          helpless with XeTeX, \MessageBreak use \protect\NoAutoSpacing
491          \space *inside a group* instead; \MessageBreak reported}%
492      \fi}%
493    \def\shorthandon##1{}%
```

Let's now set the classes and interactions between classes. When false, the flag \ifFB@spacing switches off any interaction between classes (this flag is controlled by user-level command \NoAutoSpacing; this flag is also set to false when the current font is a typewriter font).

```

494  \XeTeXinterchartokenstate=1
495  \XeTeXcharclass '\: = \FB@punctthick
496  \XeTeXinterchartoks \z@ \FB@punctthick = {%
497    \ifFB@spacing\ifhmode\FDP@colonspace\fi\fi}%
498  \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@guilf \FB@punctthick = {%
499    \ifFB@spacing\FDP@colonspace\fi}%
```

Small glues such as “glue 1sp” in tabular ‘l’ columns or “glue 0 plus 1 fil” in tabular ‘c’ columns or lstlisting environment should not trigger any extra space; they will still do when [AutoSpacePunctuation](#) is true: unfortunately \XeTeXcharclass=\FB@nonchar isn't specific to glue tokens (this class includes box and math boundaries f.i.), so the \else part cannot be omitted.

```

500  \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@nonchar \FB@punctthick = {%
501    \ifFB@spacing
502      \ifhmode
503        \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
504          \unskip\penalty\@M\FB@colonspace
505        \else
506          \FDP@colonspace
507        \fi
508      \fi
509    \fi}%
510  \bbl@for\FB@char
511    {'\;,\!\!,'?\?}%
512    {\XeTeXcharclass\FB@char=\FB@punctthin}%
513  \XeTeXinterchartoks \z@ \FB@punctthin = {%
```

```

514          \iffB@spacing\ifhmode\FDP@thinspace\fi\fi}%
515          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@guilf \FB@punctthin = {%
516              \iffB@spacing\FDP@thinspace\fi}%
517          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@nonchar \FB@punctthin = {%
518              \iffB@spacing
519                  \ifhmode
520                      \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
521                          \unskip\penalty\@M\FBthinspace
522                      \else
523                          \FDP@thinspace
524                      \fi
525                  \fi
526              \fi}%
527          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@guilo \z@ = {%
528              \iffB@spacing\FB@guillspace\fi}%
529          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@guilo \FB@nonchar = {%
530              \iffB@spacing\FB@guillspace\ignorespaces\fi}%
531          \XeTeXinterchartoks \z@ \FB@guilf = {%
532              \iffB@spacing\FB@guillspace\fi}%
533          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@punctthin \FB@guilf = {%
534              \iffB@spacing\FB@guillspace\fi}%
535          \XeTeXinterchartoks \FB@nonchar \FB@guilf = {%
536              \iffB@spacing\unskip\FB@guillspace\fi}%

```

This will avoid spurious spaces in (!), [?] and with Unicode non-breaking spaces (U+00A0, U+202F):

```

537      \bbl@for\FB@char
538          {'\[, '\(), "A0, "202F}%
539          {\XeTeXcharclass\FB@char=\FB@punctnul}%

```

These characters have their class changed by *xeCJK.sty*, let's reset them to 0 in French.

```

540      \bbl@for\FB@char
541          {'\{, '\,, '\., '\-, '\), '\], '\}, '\%, "22, "27, "60, "2019}%
542          {\XeTeXcharclass\FB@char=\z@}%
543      }
544      \FB@addto{extras}{\FB@xetex@punct@french}

```

End of specific code for punctuation with modern XeTeX engines.

```
545 \fi
```

### 2.2.3 Punctuation with standard (pdf)TeX

In standard (pdf)TeX we need to make the four characters ; ! ? and : ‘active’ and provide their definitions.

```

546 \iffB@active@punct
547  \initiate@active@char{::}%
548  \initiate@active@char{;}%
549  \initiate@active@char{!}%
550  \initiate@active@char{?}%

```

We first tune the amount of space before ; ! ? and :. This should only happen in horizontal mode, hence the test \ifhmode.

In horizontal mode, if a space has been typed before ';' we remove it and put a non-breaking \FBthinspace instead. If no space has been typed, we add \FDP@thinspace which will be defined, up to the user's wishes, as a non-breaking \FBthinspace or as \@empty.

```
551 \declare@shorthand{french}{}{%
552   \ifFB@spacing
553     \ifhmode
554       \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
555         \unskip\penalty\@M\FBthinspace
556       \else
557         \FDP@thinspace
558       \fi
559     \fi
560   \fi}
```

Now we can insert a ; character.

```
561   \string{;
```

The next three definitions are very similar.

```
562 \declare@shorthand{french}{}{%
563   \ifFB@spacing
564     \ifhmode
565       \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
566         \unskip\penalty\@M\FBthinspace
567       \else
568         \FDP@thinspace
569       \fi
570     \fi
571   \fi
572   \string!}
573 \declare@shorthand{french}{}{%
574   \ifFB@spacing
575     \ifhmode
576       \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
577         \unskip\penalty\@M\FBthinspace
578       \else
579         \FDP@thinspace
580       \fi
581     \fi
582   \fi
583   \string?}
584 \declare@shorthand{french}{}{%
585   \ifFB@spacing
586     \ifhmode
587       \ifdim\lastskip>1sp
588         \unskip\penalty\@M\FBcolonspace
589       \else
590         \FDP@colonspace
591       \fi
```

```

592      \fi
593      \fi
594      \string:}

```

When the active characters appear in an environment where their French behaviour is not wanted they should give an ‘expected’ result. Therefore we define shorthands at system level as well.

```

595  \declare@shorthand{system}{:}{\string:}
596  \declare@shorthand{system}{!}{\string!}
597  \declare@shorthand{system}{?}{\string?}
598  \declare@shorthand{system}{;}{\string;}
599 %}

```

We specify that the French group of shorthands should be used when switching to French.

```
600  \FB@addto{extras}{\languageshorthands{french}}%
```

These characters are ‘turned on’ once, later their definition may vary. Don’t misunderstand the following code: they keep being active all along the document, even when leaving French.

```

601  \bbbl@activate{:}\bbbl@activate{;}%
602  \bbbl@activate{!}\bbbl@activate{?}%
603  }
604  \FB@addto{noextras}{%
605  \bbbl@deactivate{:}\bbbl@deactivate{;}%
606  \bbbl@deactivate{!}\bbbl@deactivate{?}%
607  }
608 \fi

```

#### 2.2.4 Punctuation switches common to all engines

A new ‘if’ \iffFBAutoSpacePunctuation needs to be defined now to control the two possible ways of dealing with ‘high punctuation’. its default value is true, but it can be set to false by \frenchsetup{AutoSpacePunctuation=false} for finer control.

```
609 \newif\iffFBAutoSpacePunctuation \FBAutoSpacePunctuationtrue
```

\AutoSpaceBeforeFDP \autospace@beforeFDP and \noautospace@beforeFDP are internal commands. \NoAutoSpaceBeforeFDP \autospace@beforeFDP defines \FDP@thinspace and \FDP@colonspace as non-breaking spaces and sets LuaTeX attribute \FB@addDPspace to 1 (true), while \noautospace@beforeFDP lets these spaces empty and sets flag \FB@addDPspace to 0 (false). User commands \AutoSpaceBeforeFDP and \NoAutoSpaceBeforeFDP do the same and take care of the flag \iffFBAutoSpacePunctuation in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ . Set the default now for Plain (done later for  $\text{\LaTeX}$ ).

```

610 \def\autospace@beforeFDP{%
611  \iffB@luatex@punct\FB@addDPspace=1 \fi
612  \def\FDP@thinspace{\penalty\@M\FBthinspace}%
613  \def\FDP@colonspace{\penalty\@M\FBcolonspace}%
614 \def\noautospace@beforeFDP{%
615  \iffB@luatex@punct\FB@addDPspace=0 \fi
616  \let\FDP@thinspace\empty
617  \let\FDP@colonspace\empty}

```

```

618 \ifLaTeXe
619   \def\AutoSpaceBeforeFDP{\autospace@beforeFDP
620                           \FBAutoSpacePunctuationtrue}
621   \def\NoAutoSpaceBeforeFDP{\noautospace@beforeFDP
622                           \FBAutoSpacePunctuationfalse}
623   \AtEndOfPackage{\AutoSpaceBeforeFDP}
624 \else
625   \let\AutoSpaceBeforeFDP\autospace@beforeFDP
626   \let\NoAutoSpaceBeforeFDP\noautospace@beforeFDP
627   \AutoSpaceBeforeFDP
628 \fi

```

**\rmfamilyFB** In  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  `\ttfamily` (and hence `\textttt`) will be redefined ‘`AtBeginDocument`’ `\sffamilyFB` as `\ttfamilyFB` so that no space is added before the four ; : ! ? characters, `\ttfamilyFB` even if `AutoSpacePunctuation` is `true`. When `AutoSpacePunctuation` is `false`, the eventually typed spaces are left unchanged (not turned into thin spaces, no penalty added). `\rmfamily` and `\sffamily` need to be redefined also (`\ttfamily` is not always used inside a group, its effect can be cancelled by `\rmfamily` or `\sffamily`). These redefinitions can be canceled if necessary, for instance to recompile older documents, see option `OriginalTypewriter` below.

To be consistent with what is done for the ; : ! ? characters, `\ttfamilyFB` also switches off insertion of spaces inside French guillemets *when they are typed in as characters* with the ‘og’/‘fg’ options in `\frenchsetup{}`. This is also a workaround for the weird behaviour of these characters in verbatim mode.

```

629 \ifLaTeXe
630   \DeclareRobustCommand\ttfamilyFB{\FB@spacing@off \ttfamilyORI}
631   \DeclareRobustCommand\rmfamilyFB{\FB@spacing@on \rmfamilyORI}
632   \DeclareRobustCommand\sffamilyFB{\FB@spacing@on \sffamilyORI}
633 \fi

```

**\NoAutoSpacing** The following command disables automatic spacing for high punctuation and French quote characters; it also switches off active punctuation characters (if any). It is engine independent (works for TeX, LuaTeX and XeTeX based engines) and is meant to be used inside a group.

```

634 \DeclareRobustCommand*\NoAutoSpacing}{%
635   \FB@spacing@off
636   \ifFB@active@punct\shorthandoff{;!:?}\fi
637 }

```

## 2.3 Commands for French quotation marks

**\guillemotleft** With pdfLaTeX  $\text{\LaTeX}$  users are supposed to use 8-bit output encodings (T1, LY1, …) to typeset French, those who still stick to OT1 should load `aeguill` or a similar package. **\textquotedblleft** In both cases the commands `\guillemotleft` and `\guillemotright` will print the French opening and closing quote characters from the output font. For XeTeX and LuaTeX, `\guillemotleft` and `\guillemotright` are defined by package `fontspec` (v. 2.5d and up).

We provide the following definitions for non-LaTeX users only as fall-back, they are welcome to change them for anything better.

```

638 \ifLaTeXe
639 \else
640   \iffBunicode
641     \def\guillemotleft{{\char"00AB}}
642     \def\guillemotright{{\char"00BB}}
643     \def\textquotedblleft{{\char"201C}}
644     \def\textquotedblright{{\char"201D}}
645   \else
646     \def\guillemotleft{\leavevmode\raise0.25ex
647                           \hbox{\$scriptscriptstyle ll\$}}
648     \def\guillemotright{\raise0.25ex
649                           \hbox{\$scriptscriptstyle gg\$}}
650     \def\textquotedblleft{''}
651     \def\textquotedblright{''}
652   \fi
653   \let\xspace\relax
654 \fi

```

**\FB@og** The next step is to provide correct spacing after ‘‘ and before ’’; no line break is allowed neither *after* the opening one, nor *before* the closing one. **\FBguillspace** which does the spacing, has been fine tuned by Thierry Bouche to 80% of an inter-word space with reduced stretchability. French quotes (including spacing) are printed by **\FB@og** and **\FB@fg**, the expansion of the top level commands **\og** and **\og** is different in and outside French.

LuaTeX requires **toks**; **\FBguillsp** will be computed from **\FBguillspace** ‘AtBegin-Document’, its dimensions will be scaled by **frenchb.lua** for the current font and used after ‘‘ and before ’’.

```

655 \newcommand*{\FBguillspace}{\hskip.8\fontdimen2\font
656                               plus.3\fontdimen3\font
657                               minus.8\fontdimen4\font \relax}
658 \newcommand*{\FB@guillspace}{\penalty@M\FBguillspace}
659 \newtoks\FBguillsp

```

The definitions of **\FB@og** and **\FB@fg** need some engine-dependent tuning: for LuaTeX, **\FB@spacing** is set to 0 locally to prevent the quotes characters from adding space when option **og=<, fg=>** is set.

```

660 \ifFB@luatex@punct
661   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@og}{\leavevmode
662     \bgroup\FB@spacing=0 \guillemotleft\egroup
663     \FB@guillspace}
664   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@fg}{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi
665     \FB@guillspace
666     \bgroup\FB@spacing=0 \guillemotright\egroup}
667 \fi

```

With XeTeX, **\ifFB@spacing** is set to **false** locally for the same reason.

```

668 \ifFB@xetex@punct
669   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@og}{\leavevmode
670     \bgroup\FB@spacingfalse\guillemotleft\egroup

```

```

671      \FB@guillspace}
672  \DeclareRobustCommand*\{\FB@fg}{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi
673      \FB@guillspace
674      \bgroup\FB@spacingfalse\guillemotright\egroup}
675 \fi
676 \ifFB@active@punct
677  \DeclareRobustCommand*\{\FB@og}{\leavevmode
678      \guillemotleft
679      \FB@guillspace}
680  \DeclareRobustCommand*\{\FB@fg}{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi
681      \FB@guillspace
682      \guillemotright}
683 \fi

```

**\og** The user level macros for quotation marks are named `\og` (“ouvrez guillemets”) and **\fg** `\fg` (“fermez guillemets”). Another option for typesetting quotes in French is to use the command `\frquote` (see below). Dummy definition of `\og` and `\fg` just to ensure that this commands are not yet defined.

```

684 \newcommand*\{\og}{\emptyset}
685 \newcommand*\{\fg}{\emptyset}

```

The definitions of `\og` and `\fg` for quotation marks are switched on and off through the `\extrasfrench` `\noextrasfrench` mechanism. Outside French, `\og` and `\fg` will typeset standard English opening and closing double quotes. We'll try to be smart to users of David Carlisle's `xspace` package: if this package is loaded there will be no need for `{}` or `\`  to get a space after `\fg`, otherwise `\xspace` will be defined as `\relax` (done at the end of this file).

```

686 \ifLaTeXe
687   \def\bbl@frenchguillemets{\renewcommand*\{\og}{\FB@og}%
688                               \renewcommand*\{\fg}{\FB@fg\xspace}}
689   \renewcommand*\{\og}{\textquotedblleft}
690   \renewcommand*\{\fg}{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi
691                           \textquotedblright\xspace}
692 \else
693   \def\bbl@frenchguillemets{\let\og\FB@og
694                             \let\fg\FB@fg}
695   \def\og{\textquotedblleft}
696   \def\fg{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi\textquotedblright}
697 \fi

```

```
698 \FB@addto{extras}{\babel@save\og \babel@save\fg \bbl@frenchguillemets}
```

**\frquote** Another way of entering French quotes relies on `\frquote{}` with supports up to two levels of quotes. Let's define the default quote characters to be used for level one or two of quotes...

```

699 \newcommand*\{\ogi}{\FB@og}
700 \newcommand*\{\fgi}{\FB@fg}
701 \newcommand*\{\ogii}{\textquotedblleft}
702 \newcommand*\{\fgii}{\textquotedblright}

```

and the needed technical stuff to handle options:

```

703 \newcount\FBguill@level
704 \newtoks\FB@everypar
705 \newif\iffBcloseguill \FBcloseguilltrue
706 \newif\iffBInnerGuillSingle
707 \def\FBguillopen{\bgroup\NoAutoSpacing\guillemotleft\egroup}
708 \def\FBguillclose{\bgroup\NoAutoSpacing\guillemotright\egroup}
709 \let\FBguillnone\empty
710 \let\FBeveryparguill\FBguillopen
711 \let\FBeverylineguill\FBguillnone

```

The main command `\frquote` accepts (in  $\text{\LaTeX} 2\epsilon$  only) a starred version which suppresses the closing quote; it is meant to be used for inner quotations which end together with the outer one, then only one closing guillemet (the outer one) should be printed.

```

712 \ifLaTeXe
713   \DeclareRobustCommand\frquote{%
714     @ifstar{\FBcloseguillfalse\fr@quote}{%
715       {\FBcloseguilltrue\fr@quote}}}
716 \else
717   \newcommand\frquote[1]{\fr@quote{#1}}
718 \fi

```

The internal command `\fr@quote` takes one (long) argument: the quotation text.

```

719 \newcommand{\fr@quote}[1]{%
720   \leavevmode
721   \advance\FBguill@level by \@ne
722   \ifcase\FBguill@level
723     \or

```

This for level 1 (outer) quotations: save `\everypar` before customising it, set `\FBeverypar@quote` for level 1 quotations and add it to `\everypar`, then print the quotation:

```

724   \FB@everypar=\everypar
725   \ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillnone
726   \else
727     \def\FBeverypar@quote{\FBeveryparguill\FB@guillspace}%
728     \everypar=\expandafter{\the\everypar \FBeverypar@quote}%
729   \fi
730   \ogi #1\fgi
731 \or

```

This for level 2 (inner) quotations: Omega's command `\localleftbox` included in  $\text{\LuaTeX}$ , is convenient for repeating guillemets at the beginning of every line.

```

732   \ifx\FBeverylineguill\FBguillopen
733     \localleftbox{\guillemotleft\FB@guillspace}%
734     \let\FBeverypar@quote\relax
735     \ogi #1\iffBcloseguill\fgi\fi
736   \else
737     \ifx\FBeverylineguill\FBguillclose
738       \localleftbox{\guillemotright\FB@guillspace}%

```

```

739      \let\FBeverypar@quote\relax
740      \ogi #1\ifFBcloseguill\fgi\fi
741      \else

```

otherwise we need to redefine `\FBeverypar@quote` (and eventually `\ogii`, `\fgii`) for level 2 quotations:

```

742      \let\FBeverypar@quote\relax
743      \ifFBInnerGuillSingle
744          \def\ogii{\leavevmode
745              \guilsinglleft\FB@guillspace}%
746          \def\fgii{\ifdim\lastskip>\z@\unskip\fi
747              \FB@guillspace\guilsinglright}%
748          \ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillopen
749              \def\FBeverypar@quote{\guilsinglleft\FB@guillspace}%
750          \fi
751          \ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillclose
752              \def\FBeverypar@quote{\guilsinglright\FB@guillspace}%
753          \fi
754      \fi
755      \ogii #1\ifFBcloseguill \fgii \fi
756      \fi
757      \fi
758  \else

```

Warn if `\FBguill@level`  $\geq 3$ :

```

759      \ifx\PackageWarning\@undefined
760          \fb@warning{\noexpand\frquote\space handles up to
761              two levels.\`{ } Quotation not printed.}%
762      \else
763          \PackageWarning{french.ldf}{%
764              \protect\frquote\space handles up to two levels.
765              \MessageBreak Quotation not printed. Reported}
766      \fi
767  \fi

```

Clean on exit: adjust `\FBguill@level` and restore `\localleftbox` and `\everypar`.

```

768  \advance\FBguill@level by \m@ne
769  \ifx\FBeveryligne\FBguillnone\else\localleftbox{}\fi
770  \ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillnone\else\everypar=\FB@everypar\fi
771 }

```

## 2.4 Date in French

**\datefrench** The macro `\datefrench` redefines the command `\today` to produce French dates. This new implementation requires babel 3.9i or newer but, as of 3.9k, doesn't work with Plain based formats, so `\date\CurrentOption` is defined the old way for these formats.

```

772 \ifLaTeXe
773   \def\BabelLanguages{french,acadian}
774   \StartBabelCommands*\{\BabelLanguages\}{date}
775     [unicode, fontenc=EU1 EU2, charset=utf8]

```

```

776   \SetString\monthiiiname{février}
777   \SetString\monthviiiname{août}
778   \SetString\monthxiiname{décembre}
779 \StartBabelCommands*\{\BabelLanguages\}{date}
780   \SetStringLoop{month#1name}{%
781     janvier,f\'evrier,mars,avril,mai,juin,juillet,%
782     ao\^ut,septembre,octobre,novembre,d\'ecembre}
783   \SetString\today{{\number\day}\ifnum1=\day {\ier}\fi\space
784     \csname month\romannumeral\month name\endcsname \space
785     \number\year
786   }
787 \EndBabelCommands
788 \else
789   \ifFBunicode
790     \@namedef{date\CurrentOption}{%
791       \def\today{{\number\day}\ifnum1=\day {\ier}\fi \space
792         \ifcase\month
793           \or janvier\or février\or mars\or avril\or mai\or
794           juin\or juillet\or août\or septembre\or
795           octobre\or novembre\or décembre\fi
796         \space \number\year}}
797   \else
798     \@namedef{date\CurrentOption}{%
799       \def\today{{\number\day}\ifnum1=\day {\ier}\fi \space
800         \ifcase\month
801           \or janvier\or f\'evrier\or mars\or avril\or mai\or
802           juin\or juillet\or ao\^ut\or septembre\or
803           octobre\or novembre\or d\'ecembre\fi
804         \space \number\year}}
805   \fi
806 \fi

```

## 2.5 Extra utilities

Let's provide the French user with some extra utilities.

\up \up eases the typesetting of superscripts like '1<sup>er</sup>'. Up to version 2.0 of babel-\fup french \up was just a shortcut for \textsuperscript in  $\text{\LaTeX} 2\varepsilon$ , but several users complained that \textsuperscript typesets superscripts too high and too big, so we now define \fup as an attempt to produce better looking superscripts. \up is defined as \fup but \frenchsetup{FrenchSuperscripts=false} redefines \up as \textsuperscript for compatibility with previous versions.  
When a font has built-in superscripts, the best thing to do is to just use them, otherwise \fup has to simulate superscripts by scaling and raising ordinary letters. Scaling is done using package scalefnt which will be loaded at the end of babel's loading (babel-french being an option of babel, it cannot load a package while being read).

```

807 \newif\iffB@poorman
808 \newdimen\FB@Mht
809 \ifLaTeXe

```

```
810 \AtEndOfPackage{\RequirePackage{scalefnt}}
```

\FB@up@fake holds the definition of fake superscripts. The scaling ratio is 0.65, raising is computed to put the top of lower case letters (like ‘m’) just under the top of upper case letters (like ‘M’), precisely 12% down. The chosen settings look correct for most fonts, but can be tuned by the end-user if necessary by changing \FBsupR and \FBsupS commands.

\FB@lc is defined as \MakeLowercase to inhibit the uppercasing of superscripts (this may happen in page headers with the standard classes but is wrong); \FB@lc can be redefined to do nothing by option `LowercaseSuperscripts=false` of `\frenchsetup{}`.

```
811 \newcommand*{\FBsupR}{-0.12}
812 \newcommand*{\FBsupS}{0.65}
813 \newcommand*{\FB@lc}[1]{\MakeLowercase{#1}}
814 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@up@fake}[1]{%
815   \settoheight{\FB@Mht}{M}%
816   \addtolength{\FB@Mht}{\FBsupR \FB@Mht}%
817   \addtolength{\FB@Mht}{-\FBsupS ex}%
818   \raisebox{\FB@Mht}{\scalefont{\FBsupS}{\FB@lc{#1}}}%
819 }
```

The only packages I currently know to take advantage of real superscripts are a) `realscripts` used in conjunction with XeLaTeX or LuaLaTeX and OpenType fonts having the font feature ‘VerticalPosition=Superior’ and b) `fourier` (from version 1.6) when Expert Utopia fonts are available.

\FB@up checks whether the current font is a Type1 ‘Expert’ (or ‘Pro’) font with real superscripts or not (the code works currently only with `fourier-1.6` but could work with any Expert Type1 font with built-in superscripts, see below), and decides to use real or fake superscripts. It works as follows: the content of \f@family (family name of the current font) is split by \FB@split into two pieces, the first three characters (‘fut’ for Fourier, ‘ppl’ for Adobe’s Palatino, ...) stored in \FB@firstthree and the rest stored in \FB@suffix which is expected to be ‘x’ or ‘j’ for expert fonts.

```
820 \def\FB@split#1#2#3#4@nil{\def\FB@firstthree{#1#2#3}%
821                               \def\FB@suffix{#4}}
822 \def\FB@x{x}
823 \def\FB@j{j}
824 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@up}[1]{%
825   \bgroup \FB@poormantrue
826   \expandafter\FB@split\f@family\@nil
```

Then \FB@up looks for a .fd file named `t1fut-sup.fd` (Fourier) or `t1ppl-sup.fd` (Palatino), etc. supposed to define the subfamily (fut-sup or ppl-sup, etc.) giving access to the built-in superscripts. If the .fd file is not found by \IfFileExists, \FB@up falls back on fake superscripts, otherwise \FB@suffix is checked to decide whether to use fake or real superscripts.

```
827 \edef\reserved@a{\lowercase{%
828   \noexpand\IfFileExists{\f@encoding\FB@firstthree -sup.fd}}}{%
829 \reserved@a
830 { \ifx\FB@suffix\FB@x \FB@poormanfalse\fi
831   \ifx\FB@suffix\FB@j \FB@poormanfalse\fi
```

```

832      \ifFB@poorman \FB@up@fake{#1}%
833      \else        \FB@up@real{#1}%
834      \fi}%
835      {\FB@up@fake{#1}}%
836  \egroup

```

\FB@up@real just picks up the superscripts from the subfamily (and forces lowercase).

```

837  \newcommand*{\FB@up@real}[1]{\bgroup
838      \fontfamily{\FB@firstthree -sup}\selectfont \FB@lc{#1}\egroup}
839  \DeclareRobustCommand*{\fup}[1]{%
840      \ifx\realsuperscript\undefined
841          \FB@up{#1}%
842      \else
843          \bgroup\let\fakesuperscript\FB@up@fake
844          \realsuperscript{\FB@lc{#1}}\egroup
845      \fi}

```

Let's provide a temporary definition for \up (redefined 'AtBeginDocument' as \fup or \textsuperscript according to \frenchsetup{} options).

```
846  \providetcommand*{\up}{\relax}
```

Poor man's definition of \up for Plain.

```

847 \else
848  \providetcommand*{\up}[1]{\leavevmode\raise1ex\hbox{\sevenrm #1}}
849 \fi

```

**\ieme** Some handy macros for those who don't know how to abbreviate ordinals:

```

\ier 850 \def\ieme{\up{e}\xspace}
\iere 851 \def\iemes{\up{es}\xspace}
\ieres 852 \def\ier{\up{er}\xspace}
\iers 853 \def\iers{\up{ers}\xspace}
\ieres 854 \def\iere{\up{re}\xspace}
\ieres 855 \def\ieres{\up{res}\xspace}

```

\FBmedkern

```

\FBthickkern 856 \newcommand*{\FBmedkern}{\kern+.2em}
857 \newcommand*{\FBthickkern}{\kern+.3em}

```

**\No** And some more macros relying on \up for numbering, first two support macros.

```

\no 858 \newcommand*{\FrenchEnumerate}[1]{#1\up{o}\FBthickkern}
\nos 859 \newcommand*{\FrenchPopularEnumerate}[1]{#1\up{o})\FBthickkern}
\nos Typing \primo should result in "°",
\primo 860 \def\primo{\FrenchEnumerate1}
\fprimo 861 \def\secundo{\FrenchEnumerate2}
862 \def\tertio{\FrenchEnumerate3}
863 \def\quarto{\FrenchEnumerate4}

```

while typing `\fprimo`) gives ‘°’.

```
864 \def\fprimo{\FrenchPopularEnumerate1}
865 \def\fsecundo{\FrenchPopularEnumerate2}
866 \def\ftertio{\FrenchPopularEnumerate3}
867 \def\fquarto{\FrenchPopularEnumerate4}
```

Let’s provide four macros for the common abbreviations of “Numéro”.

```
868 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\No}{N\up{o}\FBmedkern}
869 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\no}{n\up{o}\FBmedkern}
870 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\Nos}{N\up{os}\FBmedkern}
871 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\nos}{n\up{os}\FBmedkern}
```

**\bsc** As family names should be written in small capitals and never be hyphenated, we provide a command (its name comes from Boxed Small Caps) to input them easily. Note that this command has changed with version 2 of babel-french: a `\kern0pt` is used instead of `\hbox` because `\hbox` would break microtype’s font expansion; as a (positive?) side effect, composed names (such as Dupont-Durand) can now be hyphenated on explicit hyphens. Usage: `Jean~\bsc{Duchemin}`.

```
872 \DeclareRobustCommand*{\bsc}[1]{\leavevmode\begingroup\kern0pt
873                                     \scshape #1\endgroup}
874 \ifLaTeXe\else\let\scshape\relax\fi
```

Some definitions for special characters. We won’t define `\tilde` as a Text Symbol not to conflict with the macro `\tilde` for math mode and use the name `\tild` instead. Note that `\boi` may *not* be used in math mode, its name in math mode is `\backslash`. `\degree` can be accessed by the command `\r{}{}` for ring accent.

```
875 \ifFBunicode
876   \newcommand*{\at}{{\char"0040}}
877   \newcommand*{\circonflexe}{{\char"005E}}
878   \newcommand*{\tild}{{\char"007E}}
879   \newcommand*{\boi}{{\char"005C}}
880   \newcommand*{\degree}{{\char"00B0}}
881 \else
882   \ifLaTeXe
883     \DeclareTextSymbol{\at}{T1}{64}
884     \DeclareTextSymbol{\circonflexe}{T1}{94}
885     \DeclareTextSymbol{\tild}{T1}{126}
886     \DeclareTextSymbolDefault{\at}{T1}
887     \DeclareTextSymbolDefault{\circonflexe}{T1}
888     \DeclareTextSymbolDefault{\tild}{T1}
889     \DeclareRobustCommand*{\boi}{\textbackslash}
890     \DeclareRobustCommand*{\degree}{\r{}{}}
891 \else
892   \def\T@one{T1}
893   \ifx\f@encoding\T@one
894     \newcommand*{\degree}{{\char6}}
895   \else
896     \newcommand*{\degree}{{\char23}}
897   \fi
898   \newcommand*{\at}{{\char64}}
```

```

899     \newcommand*{\circonflexe}{{\char94}}
900     \newcommand*{\tild}{{\char126}}
901     \newcommand*{\boi}{$\backslash$}
902 \fi
903\fi

```

**\degrees** We now define a macro `\degrees` for typesetting the abbreviation for ‘degrees’ (as in ‘degrees Celsius’). As the bounding box of the character ‘degree’ has very different widths in CM/EC and PostScript fonts, we fix the width of the bounding box of `\degrees` to 0.3em, this lets the symbol ‘degree’ stick to the preceding (e.g.,  $45\degrees$ ) or following character (e.g.,  $20\text{--}\degrees$  C).

If  $\text{\TeX}$  Companion fonts are available (`textcomp.sty`), we pick up `\textdegree` from them instead of emulating ‘degrees’ from the `\r{}` accent. Otherwise we advise the user (once only) to use TS1-encoding.

```

904 \ifLaTeXe
905   \newcommand*{\degrees}{\degree}
906 \iffBunicode
907   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\degrees}{\degree}
908 \else
909   \def\Warning@degree@TSone{\FBwarning
910     {Degrees would look better in TS1-encoding:%
911      \MessageBreak add \protect
912      \usepackage{textcomp} to the preamble.%
913      \MessageBreak Degrees used}}
914 \AtBeginDocument{\ifx\DeclareEncodingSubset@\undefined
915   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\degrees}{%
916     \leavevmode\hbox to 0.3em{\hss\degree\hss}%
917     \Warning@degree@TSone
918     \global\let\Warning@degree@TSone\relax}%
919   \else
920     \DeclareRobustCommand*{\degrees}{%
921       \hbox{\UseTextSymbol{TS1}{\textdegree}}}%
922   \fi
923 }
924 \fi
925 \else
926   \newcommand*{\degrees}{%
927     \leavevmode\hbox to 0.3em{\hss\degree\hss}}
928\fi

```

## 2.6 Formatting numbers

**\StandardMathComma** As mentioned in the  $\text{\TeX}$ book p. 134, the comma is of type `\mathpunct` in math mode: **\DecimalMathComma** it is automatically followed by a thin space. This is convenient in lists and intervals but unpleasant when the comma is used as a decimal separator in French: it has to be entered as `{,}`. `\DecimalMathComma` makes the comma be an ordinary character (of type `\mathord`) in French *only* (no space added); `\StandardMathComma` switches back to the standard behaviour of the comma.  
Unfortunately, `\newcount` inside `\if` breaks Plain formats.

```

929 \newif\iffBF@icomma
930 \newcount\mc@charclass
931 \newcount\mc@charfam
932 \newcount\mc@charslot
933 \newcount\std@mcc
934 \newcount\dec@mcc
935 \iffBLuaTeX
936   \mc@charclass=\Umathcharclass`,
937   \newcommand*\{ \dec@math@comma}{%
938     \mc@charfam=\Umathcharfam`,
939     \mc@charslot=\Umathcharslot`,
940     \Umathcode`\,= 0 \mc@charfam \mc@charslot
941   }
942   \newcommand*\{ \std@math@comma}{%
943     \mc@charfam=\Umathcharfam`,
944     \mc@charslot=\Umathcharslot`,
945     \Umathcode`\,= \mc@charclass \mc@charfam \mc@charslot
946   }
947 \else
948   \std@mcc=\mathcode`,
949   \dec@mcc=\std@mcc
950   \tempcnta=\std@mcc
951   \divide\tempcnta by "1000
952   \multiply\tempcnta by "1000
953   \advance\dec@mcc by -\tempcnta
954   \newcommand*\{ \dec@math@comma}{\mathcode`\,=\dec@mcc}
955   \newcommand*\{ \std@math@comma}{\mathcode`\,=\std@mcc}
956 \fi
957 \newcommand*\{ \DecimalMathComma}{%
958   \iffBF@french\dec@math@comma\fi
959   \iffBF@icomma\else\FB@addto{extras}{\dec@math@comma}\fi
960 }
961 \newcommand*\{ \StandardMathComma}{%
962   \std@math@comma
963   \iffBF@icomma\else\FB@addto{extras}{\std@math@comma}\fi
964 }
965 \ifLaTeXe
966   \AtBeginDocument{\@ifpackageloaded{icomma}%
967     {\FB@icommatrue}%
968     {\FB@addto{noextras}{\std@math@comma}}%
969   }
970 \else
971   \FB@addto{noextras}{\std@math@comma}
972 \fi

```

**\nombre** The command `\nombre` is now borrowed from `numprint.sty` for  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\mathcal{E}}$ . There is no point to maintain the former tricky code when a package is dedicated to do the same job and more. For Plain based formats, `\nombre` no longer formats numbers, it prints them as is and issues a warning about the change.

Fake command `\nombre` for Plain based formats, warning users of `babel-french v. 1.x`.

about the change:

```
973 \newcommand*{\nombre}[1]{{#1}\fb@warning{*** \noexpand\nombre  
974 no longer formats numbers\string! ***}}
```

The next definitions only make sense for  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$ . For Plain based formats, let's activate LuaTeX punctuation if necessary, then cleanup and exit. Temporary fix:  $\text{\l@french}$  is not properly set by babel 3.9h with Plain LuaTeX format.

```
975 \let\FBstop@here\relax  
976 \def\FBclean@on@exit{\let\ifLaTeXe\undefined  
977 \let\LaTeXetrue\undefined  
978 \let\LaTeXefalse\undefined}  
979 \ifx\magnification@\undefined  
980 \else  
981 \def\FBstop@here{\ifFB@luatex@punct  
982 \activate@luatexpunct  
983 \fi  
984 \FBclean@on@exit  
985 \ldf@quit\CurrentOption\endinput}  
986 \fi  
987 \FBstop@here
```

What follows is for  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  only; as all  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$  based formats include  $\varepsilon\text{-}\text{\TeX}$ , we can use  $\text{\ifdefined}$  now. We redefine  $\text{\nombre}$  for  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\varepsilon}$ . A warning is issued at the first call of  $\text{\nombre}$  if  $\text{\numprint}$  is not defined, suggesting what to do. The package  $\text{\numprint}$  is *not* loaded automatically by  $\text{\babel-french}$  because of possible options conflict.

```
988 \renewcommand*{\nombre}[1]{\Warning@nombre{#1}}  
989 \newcommand*{\Warning@nombre}[1]{%  
990 \ifdefined\numprint  
991 \numprint{#1}%  
992 \else  
993 \PackageWarning{french.ldf}{%  
994 \protect\nombre\space now relies on package numprint.sty,%  
995 \MessageBreak add \protect  
996 \usepackage[autolanguage]{numprint}, \MessageBreak  
997 see file numprint.pdf for more options. \MessageBreak  
998 \protect\nombre\space called}%  
999 \global\let\Warning@nombre\relax  
1000 {#1}%  
1001 \fi  
1002 }  
  
1003 \newcommand*{\FBthousandsep}{~}
```

## 2.7 Caption names

The next step consists in defining the French equivalents for the  $\text{\LaTeX}$  caption names.

**\captionsfrench** Let's first define  $\text{\captionsfrench}$  which sets all strings used in the four standard document classes provided with  $\text{\LaTeX}$ .

Let's give a chance to a class or a package read before frenchb to define \FBfigtabshape as \relax, otherwise \FBfigtabshape will be defined as \scshape (can be changed with \frenchsetup{SmallCapsFigTabCaptions=false}).

```
1004 \ifx\FBfigtabshape\undefined \let\FBfigtabshape\scshape \fi
```

New implementation for caption names (requires babel's 3.9 or up).

```
1005 \StartBabelCommands*\{\BabelLanguages\}{captions}
1006     [unicode, fontenc=EU1 EU2 TU, charset=utf8]
1007     \SetString{\refname}{Références}
1008     \SetString{\abstractname}{Résumé}
1009     \SetString{\prefacename}{Préface}
1010     \SetString{\contentsname}{Table des matières}
1011     \SetString{\ccname}{Copie à }
1012     \SetString{\proofname}{Démonstration}
1013     \SetString{\partfirst}{Première}
1014     \SetString{\partsecond}{Deuxième}
1015     \SetStringLoop{ordinal#1}{%
1016         \frenchpartfirst,\frenchpartsecond,Troisième,Quatrième,%
1017         Cinquième,Sixième,Septième,Huitième,Neuvième,Dixième,Onzième,%
1018         Douzième,Treizième,Quatorzième,Quinzième,Seizième,%
1019         Dix-septième,Dix-huitième,Dix-neuvième,Vingtième}
1020 \StartBabelCommands*\{\BabelLanguages\}{captions}
1021     \SetString{\refname}{R\'ef\'erences}
1022     \SetString{\abstractname}{R\'esum\'e}
1023     \SetString{\bibname}{Bibliographie}
1024     \SetString{\prefacename}{Pr\'eface}
1025     \SetString{\chaptername}{Chapitre}
1026     \SetString{\appendixname}{Annexe}
1027     \SetString{\contentsname}{Table des mati\'ères}
1028     \SetString{\listfigurename}{Table des figures}
1029     \SetString{\listtablename}{Liste des tableaux}
1030     \SetString{\indexname}{Index}
1031     \SetString{\figurename}{{\FBfigtabshape Figure}}
1032     \SetString{\tablename}{{\FBfigtabshape Table}}
1033     \SetString{\pagename}{page}
1034     \SetString{\seename}{voir}
1035     \SetString{\alsoname}{voir aussi}
1036     \SetString{\enclname}{P.\~J. }
1037     \SetString{\ccname}{Copie \'a }
1038     \SetString{\headtoname}{}
1039     \SetString{\proofname}{D\'emonstration}
1040     \SetString{\glossaryname}{Glossaire}
```

When **PartNameFull=true** (default), \part{} is printed in French as "Première partie" instead of "Partie I". As logic is prohibited inside \SetString, let's hide the test about **PartNameFull** in \FB@partname.

```
1041     \SetString{\partfirst}{Premi\'ere}
1042     \SetString{\partsecond}{Deuxi\'eme}
1043     \SetString{\partnameord}{partie}
1044     \SetStringLoop{ordinal#1}{%
1045         \frenchpartfirst,\frenchpartsecond,Troisi\'eme,Quatri\'eme,%
```

```

1046     Cinqui\`eme,Sixi\`eme,Septi\`eme,Huiti\`eme,Neuvi\`eme,Dixi\`eme,%
1047     Onzi\`eme,Douzi\`eme,Treizi\`eme,Quatorzi\`eme,Quinzi\`eme,%
1048     Seizi\`eme,Dix-septi\`eme,Dix-huiti\`eme,Dix-neuvi\`eme,%
1049     Vingt\`eme}
1050 \AfterBabelCommands{%
1051   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@emptypart}{\def\thepart{}}
1052   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\FB@partname}{%
1053     \ifFBPartNameFull
1054       \csname ordinal\romannumeral\value{part}\endcsname\space
1055       \frenchpartnameord\FB@emptypart
1056     \else
1057       Partie%
1058     \fi}%
1059   }
1060   \SetString{\partname}{\FB@partname}
1061 \EndBabelCommands

```

The following patch is for koma-script classes: `\partformat` needs to be redefined in French as this command, defined as `\partname~\thepart\autodot` is incompatible with our redefinition of `\partname`. The code is postponed to the end of package because `\ifFB@koma` will be defined and set later on (see p. 46).

```

1062 \AtEndOfPackage{%
1063   \ifFB@koma
1064     \ifdef\partformat
1065       \FB@addto{captions}{%
1066         \ifFBPartNameFull
1067           \babel@save\partformat
1068           \renewcommand*{\partformat}{\partname}%
1069         \fi}%
1070     \fi
1071   \fi
1072 }

```

## 2.8 Figure and table captions

**\FBWarning** `\FBWarning` is an alias of `\PackageWarning{french.lfd}` which can be made silent by option `SuppressWarning`.

```
1073 \newcommand{\FBWarning}[1]{\PackageWarning{french.lfd}{#1}}
```

**\CaptionSeparator** Let's consider now captions in figures and tables. In French, captions in figures and tables should never be printed as 'Figure 1:' which is the default in standard  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$  classes (a space should precede the colon in French). This flaw may occur with pdfLaTeX as ':' is made active too late. With LuaLaTeX and XeLaTeX, this glitch doesn't occur, you get 'Figure 1 :' which is correct in French. With pdfLaTeX babel-french provides the following workaround.

The standard definition of `\@makecaption` (e.g., the one provided in `article.cls`, `report.cls`, `book.cls` which is frozen for  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$  according to Frank Mittelbach), is saved in `\STD@makecaption`. 'AtBeginDocument' we compare it to its current definition (some classes like `memoir`, `koma-script` classes, `AMS` classes, `ua-thesis.cls`... change

it). If they are identical, babel-french just adds a hook called `\FBCaption@Separator` to `\@makecaption`; `\FBCaption@Separator` defaults to ‘:’ as in the standard `\@makecaption` and will be changed to ‘:’ in French ‘`@BeginDocument`’; it can be also set to `\CaptionSeparator` (‘–’) using [CustomiseFigTabCaptions](#).

While saving the standard definition of `\@makecaption` we have to make sure that characters ‘:’ and ‘>’ have `\catcode` 12 (babel-french makes ‘:’ active and `spanish.ldf` makes ‘>’ active).

```

1074 \bgroup
1075   \catcode`:=12 \catcode`>=12 \relax
1076   \long\gdef\STD@makecaption#1#2{%
1077     \vskip\abovecaptionskip
1078     \sbox\@tempboxa{#1: #2}%
1079     \ifdim \wd\@tempboxa >\hsize
1080       #1: #2\par
1081     \else
1082       \global \minipagefalse
1083       \hb@xt@\hsize{\hfil\box\@tempboxa\hfil}%
1084     \fi
1085     \vskip\belowcaptionskip}
1086 \egroup

```

No warning is issued for SMF, AMS and ACM classes as their layout of captions is compatible with French typographic standards.

With `memoir` and `koma-script` classes, babel-french customises `\captiondelim` or `\captionformat` in French (unless option [CustomiseFigTabCaptions](#) is set to `false`) and issues no warning.

When `\@makecaption` has been changed by another class or package, a warning is printed in the `.log` file.

Enable the standard warning only if high punctuation is active.

```

1087 \newif\if@FBwarning@capsep
1088 \ifFB@active@punct\@FBwarning@capseptrue\fi
1089 \newcommand*{\CaptionSeparator}{\space\textendash\space}
1090 \def\FBCaption@Separator{: }
1091 \long\def\FB@makecaption#1#2{%
1092   \vskip\abovecaptionskip
1093   \sbox\@tempboxa{#1\FBCaption@Separator #2}%
1094   \ifdim \wd\@tempboxa >\hsize
1095     #1\FBCaption@Separator #2\par
1096   \else
1097     \global \minipagefalse
1098     \hb@xt@\hsize{\hfil\box\@tempboxa\hfil}%
1099   \fi
1100   \vskip\belowcaptionskip}

```

Disable the standard warning with ACM, AMS and SMF classes.

```

1101 \@ifclassloaded{acmart}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}%
1102 \@ifclassloaded{amsart}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}%
1103 \@ifclassloaded{amsbook}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}%
1104 \@ifclassloaded{amsdtx}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}%
1105 \@ifclassloaded{amsldoc}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}%

```

```
1106 \@ifclassloaded{amproc}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}  
1107 \@ifclassloaded{smfart}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}  
1108 \@ifclassloaded{smfbook}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}  
1109 \newif\iffB@koma
```

No warning with memoir or koma-script classes: they change \makecaption but we will manage to customise them in French later on (see below after executing \FBprocess@options).

```
1110 \@ifclassloaded{memoir}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}  
1111 \@ifclassloaded{scrartcl}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse\FB@komatrue}{}  
1112 \@ifclassloaded{scrbook}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse\FB@komatrue}{}  
1113 \@ifclassloaded{scrreprt}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse\FB@komatrue}{}  
1114 \@ifclassloaded{beamer}{\@FBwarning@capsepfalse}{}  
1115 \ifdefined\@makecaption\else\@FBwarning@capsepfalse\fi
```

The caption, subcaption and floatrow packages are compatible with babel-french if they are loaded after babel.

Check if packages caption3 subcaption or floatrow are loaded now (before babel-french) and step counter FBcaption@count accordingly; it's value will be checked \AtBeginDocument. N.B.: caption loads caption3, subcaption loads caption3 and floatrow loads caption3.

```
1116 \newcounter{FBcaption@count}  
1117 \@ifpackageloaded{caption3}{\addtocounter{FBcaption@count}{4}}{}  
1118 \@ifpackageloaded{subcaption}{\addtocounter{FBcaption@count}{2}}{}  
1119 \@ifpackageloaded{floatrow}{\stepcounter{FBcaption@count}}{}  
1120 \AtBeginDocument{%
```

```
1121   \ifx\@makecaption\STD@makecaption  
1122     \global\let\@makecaption\FB@makecaption
```

If **OldFigTabCaptions=true**, do not overwrite \FCaption@Separator (already saved as ':' for other languages and set to \CaptionSeparator by \extrasfrench when French is the main language); otherwise add a space before the ':' in French in order to avoid problems when **AutoSpacePunctuation=false**.

```
1123   \iffB@OldFigTabCaptions  
1124     \else  
1125       \def\FCaption@Separator{\iffB@french\space\fi : }%  
1126     \fi  
1127     \iffB@CustomiseFigTabCaptions  
1128       \ifx\bbl@main@language\FB@french  
1129         \def\FCaption@Separator{\CaptionSeparator}%  
1130       \fi  
1131     \fi
```

```

1132     \@FBwarning@capsepfalse
1133 \fi
Cancel the warning if caption3.sty has been loaded after babel.
1134 \@ifpackageloaded{caption3}{%
1135   \ifnum\value{FBcaption@count}=0 \@FBwarning@capsepfalse\fi
1136 }{}%
1137 \if@FBwarning@capsep
1138   \ifnum\value{FBcaption@count}>0
caption3.sty has been loaded before babel, maybe by the class...
1139 \FBWarning
1140   {Figures' and tables' captions might look like\MessageBreak
1141   'Figure 1:' in French instead of 'Figure 1 :'.\MessageBreak
1142   If you have loaded any of the packages caption,\MessageBreak
1143   subcaption or floatrow BEFORE babel/french,\MessageBreak
1144   please move them AFTER babel/french.\MessageBreak
1145   If one of them is loaded by your class,\MessageBreak
1146   you can still add AFTER babel/french\MessageBreak
1147   \protect\usepackage[labelsep=period]{caption} or\MessageBreak
1148   \protect\usepackage[labelsep=endash]{caption} or\MessageBreak
1149   ... live with it; reported}%
1150 \else
caption3.sty hasn't been loaded at all.
1151 \FBWarning
1152   {Figures' and tables' captions might look like\MessageBreak
1153   'Figure 1:' in French instead of 'Figure 1 :'.\MessageBreak
1154   If it happens, see your class documentation to\MessageBreak
1155   fix this issue or add AFTER babel/french\MessageBreak
1156   \protect\usepackage[labelsep=period]{caption} or\MessageBreak
1157   \protect\usepackage[labelsep=endash]{caption} or\MessageBreak
1158   or ... live with it; reported}%
1159 \fi
1160 \fi
1161 \let\FB@makecaption\relax
1162 \let\STD@makecaption\relax
1163 }

```

## 2.9 Dots...

**\FBtextellipsis**  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$ 's standard definition of \dots in text-mode is \textellipsis which includes a \kern at the end; this space is not wanted in some cases (before a closing brace for instance) and \kern breaks hyphenation of the next word. We define \FBtextellipsis for French (in  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$  only).

The \if construction in the  $\text{\LaTeX}_2\epsilon$  definition of \dots doesn't allow the use of xspace (xspace is always followed by a \fi), so we use the AMS-\text{\LaTeX} construction of \dots; this has to be done 'AtBeginDocument' not to be overwritten when amsmath.sty is loaded after babel.

LY1 has a ready made character for \textellipsis, it should be used in French too. The same is true for Unicode fonts in use with XeTeX and LuaTeX.

```

1164 \iffBunicode
1165   \let\FBtextellipsis\textellipsis
1166 \else
1167   \DeclareTextSymbol{\FBtextellipsis}{LY1}{133}
1168   \DeclareTextCommandDefault{\FBtextellipsis}{%
1169     .\kern\fontdimen3\font.\kern\fontdimen3\font.\xspace}
1170 \fi

\Mdots@ and \Tdots@ hold the definitions of \dots in Math and Text mode. They
default to those of amsmath-2.0, and will revert to standard LATEX definitions 'At-
BeginDocument', if amsmath has not been loaded. \Mdots@ doesn't change when
switching from/to French, while \Tdots@ is redefined as \FBtextellipsis in French.

1171 \newcommand*\Tdots@{\exp{textellipsis}}
1172 \newcommand*\Mdots@{\exp{\mdots@}}
1173 \AtBeginDocument{\DeclareRobustCommand*\dots@{\relax
1174   \csname\ifmmode M\else T\fi dots@\endcsname}%
1175   \ifdefined\exp\else\let\exp\relax\fi
1176   \ifdefined\mdots@\else\let\mdots@\mathellipsis\fi
1177 }
1178 \def\bbl@frenchdots{\babel@save\tdots@ \let\tdots@\FBtextellipsis}
1179 \FB@addto{extras}{\bbl@frenchdots}

```

## 2.10 More checks about packages' loading order

Like packages captions and floatrow (see section 2.8), package listings should be loaded after babel-french due to active characters issues (pdfLaTeX only).

```

1180 \iffB@active@punct
1181   \@ifpackageloaded{listings}
1182     {\AtBeginDocument{%
1183       \FBWarning{Please load the "listings" package\MessageBreak
1184         AFTER babel/french; reported}%
1185     }{}}
1186 \fi

```

Package natbib should be loaded before babel-french due to active characters issues (pdfLaTeX only).

```

1187 \newif\if@FBwarning@natbib
1188 \iffB@active@punct
1189   \@ifpackageloaded{natbib}{}{\@FBwarning@natbibtrue}
1190 \fi
1191 \AtBeginDocument{%
1192   \if@FBwarning@natbib
1193     \@ifpackageloaded{natbib}{}{\@FBwarning@natbibfalse}%
1194   \fi
1195   \if@FBwarning@natbib
1196     \FBWarning{Please load the "natbib" package\MessageBreak
1197       BEFORE babel/french; reported}%
1198   \fi
1199 }

```

Package `beamerarticle` should be loaded before `babel-french` to avoid list's conflicts, see p. 50.

```
1200 \newif\if@FBwarning@beamerarticle
1201 \@ifpackageloaded{beamerarticle}{}{\@FBwarning@beamerarticletrue}
1202 \AtBeginDocument{%
1203   \if@FBwarning@beamerarticle
1204     \@ifpackageloaded{beamerarticle}{}{%
1205       {\@FBwarning@beamerarticlefalse}%
1206     \fi
1207     \if@FBwarning@beamerarticle
1208       \FBWarning{Please load the "beamerarticle" package\MessageBreak
1209         BEFORE babel/french; reported}%
1210     \fi
1211 }
```

## 2.11 Setup options: keyval stuff

All setup options are handled by command `\frenchsetup{}` using the keyval syntax. A list of flags is defined and set to a default value which will possibly be changed 'AtEndOfPackage' if French is the main language. After this, `\frenchsetup{}` eventually modifies the preset values of these flags.

Option processing can occur either in `\frenchsetup{}`, but *only for options explicitly set by `\frenchsetup{}`*, or 'AtBeginDocument'; any option affecting `\extrasfrench{}` must be processed by `\frenchsetup{}`: when French is the main language, `\extrasfrench{}` is executed by `babel` when it switches the main language and this occurs *before* reading the stuff postponed by `babel-french` 'AtBeginDocument'. Reexecuting `\extrasfrench{}` is an option which was used up to v2.6h, it has been dropped in v3.0a because of its side-effects (f.i. `\babel@save` and `\babel@savevariable` did not work for French).

**\frenchsetup** Let's now define this command which reads and sets the options to be processed either immediately (i.e. just after setting the key) or later (at `\begin{document}`) by `\FBprocess@options`. `\frenchsetup{}` can only be called in the preamble.

```
1212 \newcommand*\frenchsetup[1]{%
1213   \setkeys{FB}{#1}%
1214 }%
1215 \@onlypreamble\frenchsetup
```

Keep the former name `\frenchbsetup` working for compatibility.

```
1216 \let\frenchbsetup\frenchsetup
1217 \@onlypreamble\frenchbsetup
```

We define a collection of conditionals with their defaults (true or false).

```
1218 \newif\iffBShowOptions
1219 \newif\iffBStandardLayout      \FBStandardLayouttrue
1220 \newif\iffBGlobalLayoutFrench \FBGlobalLayoutFrenchtrue
1221 \newif\iffBReduceListSpacing
1222 \newif\iffBListOldLayout
1223 \newif\iffBCompactItemize
```

```

1224 \newif\iffBStandardItemizeEnv      \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1225 \newif\iffBStandardEnumerateEnv    \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1226 \newif\iffBStandardItemLabels     \FBStandardItemLabelstrue
1227 \newif\iffBStandardLists          \FBStandardListstrue
1228 \newif\iffBIndentFirst
1229 \newif\iffBFrenchFootnotes
1230 \newif\iffBAutoSpaceFootnotes
1231 \newif\iffBOriginalTypewriter
1232 \newif\iffBThinColonSpace
1233 \newif\iffBThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers
1234 \newif\iffBFrenchSuperscripts     \FBFrenchSuperscriptstrue
1235 \newif\iffBLowercaseSuperscripts   \FBLowercaseSuperscriptstrue
1236 \newif\iffBPartNameFull          \FBPartNameFulltrue
1237 \newif\iffBCustomiseFigTabCaptions
1238 \newif\iffBOldFigTabCaptions
1239 \newif\iffBSmallCapsFigTabCaptions \FBSmallCapsFigTabCaptionstrue
1240 \newif\iffBSuppressWarning
1241 \newif\iffBINGuillSpace
1242 \newif\iffBucsNBSP
1243

```

The defaults values of these flags have been chosen so that babel-french does not change anything regarding the global layout. `\bbl@main@language`, set by the last option of babel, controls the global layout of the document. ‘AtEndOfPackage’ we check the main language in `\bbl@main@language`; if it is French, the values of some flags have to be changed to ensure a French looking layout for the whole document (even in parts written in languages other than French); the end-user will then be able to customise the values of all these flags with `\frenchsetup{}`.

Our list customisation conflicts with the beamer class and with the beamerarticle package. The patch provided in beamerbasecompatibility solves the conflict except in case of language changes, so we provide our own patch. When the beamer is loaded, lists are not customised at all to ensure compatibility. The beamerarticle package needs to be loaded *before* babel, a warning is issued otherwise, see section 2.10; a light customisation is compatible with the beamerarticle package.

```

1244 \edef\FB@french{\CurrentOption}
1245 \AtEndOfPackage{%
1246   \ifx\bbl@main@language\FB@french
1247     \FBGlobalLayoutFrenchtrue
1248   \@ifclassloaded{beamer}{%
1249     {\PackageInfo{french.ldf}{%
1250       No list customisation for the beamer class,%
1251       \MessageBreak reported}}%
1252     {\@ifpackageloaded{beamerarticle}{%
1253       {\FBStandardItemLabelsfalse
1254         \FBReduceListSpacingtrue
1255       {\PackageInfo{french.ldf}{%
1256         Minimal list customisation for the beamerarticle%
1257         \MessageBreak package; reported}}}}%

```

Otherwise customise lists “à la française”:

```

1258      {\FBReduceListSpacingtrue
1259          \FBStandardItemizeEnvfalse
1260          \FBStandardEnumerateEnvfalse
1261          \FBStandardItemLabelsfalse}%
1262      }
1263      \FBIndentFirsttrue
1264      \FBFrenchFootnotestrue
1265      \FBAutoSpaceFootnotestrue
1266      \FBCustomiseFigTabCaptionstrue
1267  \else
1268      \FBGlobalLayoutFrenchfalse
1269  \fi

babel-french being an option of babel, it cannot load a package (keyval) while
french.ldf is read, so we defer the loading of keyval and the options setup at the
end of babel's loading.

1270  \RequirePackage{keyval}%
1271  \define@key{FB}{ShowOptions}[true]%
1272      {\csname FBShowOptions#1\endcsname}%
1273  \define@key{FB}{StandardLayout}[true]%
1274      {\csname FBStandardLayout#1\endcsname
1275          \ifFBStandardLayout
1276              \FBReduceListSpacingfalse
1277              \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1278              \FBStandardItemLabelstrue
1279              \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1280              \FBIndentFirstfalse
1281              \FBFrenchFootnotesfalse
1282              \FBAutoSpaceFootnotesfalse
1283              \FBGlobalLayoutFrenchfalse
1284          \else
1285              \FBReduceListSpacingtrue
1286              \FBStandardItemizeEnvfalse
1287              \FBStandardItemLabelsfalse
1288              \FBStandardEnumerateEnvfalse
1289              \FBIndentFirsttrue
1290              \FBFrenchFootnotestrue
1291              \FBAutoSpaceFootnotestrue
1292          \fi}%
1293  \define@key{FB}{GlobalLayoutFrench}[true]%
1294      {\csname FBGlobalLayoutFrench#1\endcsname

```

If this key is set to `true` when French is the main language, nothing to do: all flags keep their default value. If this key is set to `false`, nothing to do either: `\babel@save` will do the job. Warn and reset in case this key is set to true while the main language is *not* French.

```

1295      \ifFBGlobalLayoutFrench
1296          \ifx\bbbl@main@language\FB@french
1297          \else
1298              \FBGlobalLayoutFrenchfalse
1299              \PackageWarning{french.ldf}%

```

```

1300          {Option 'GlobalLayoutFrench' skipped:\MessageBreak
1301              French is *not* babel's last option.\MessageBreak
1302              Reported}%
1303          \fi
1304          \fi}%
1305 \define@key{FB}{ReduceListSpacing}[true]%
1306     {\csname FBReduceListSpacing#1\endcsname}%
1307 \define@key{FB}{ListOldLayout}[true]%
1308     {\csname FBListOldLayout#1\endcsname
1309     \ifFBListOldLayout
1310         \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1311         \renewcommand*\{FrenchLabelItem}\{\textendash}%
1312     \fi}%
1313 \define@key{FB}{CompactItemize}[true]%
1314     {\csname FBCompactItemize#1\endcsname
1315     \ifFBCompactItemize
1316         \FBStandardItemizeEnvfalse
1317         \FBStandardEnumerateEnvfalse
1318     \else
1319         \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1320         \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1321     \fi}%
1322 \define@key{FB}{StandardItemEnv}[true]%
1323     {\csname FBStandardItemEnv#1\endcsname}%
1324 \define@key{FB}{StandardEnumerateEnv}[true]%
1325     {\csname FBStandardItemEnv#1\endcsname}%
1326 \define@key{FB}{StandardItemLabels}[true]%
1327     {\csname FBStandardItemLabels#1\endcsname}%
1328 \define@key{FB}{ItemLabels}%
1329     {\renewcommand*\{FrenchLabelItem}\{\#1\}}%
1330 \define@key{FB}{ItemLabeli}%
1331     {\renewcommand*\{Frlabelitemi}\{\#1\}}%
1332 \define@key{FB}{ItemLabelii}%
1333     {\renewcommand*\{Frlabelitemii}\{\#1\}}%
1334 \define@key{FB}{ItemLabeliii}%
1335     {\renewcommand*\{Frlabelitemiii}\{\#1\}}%
1336 \define@key{FB}{ItemLabeliv}%
1337     {\renewcommand*\{Frlabelitemiv}\{\#1\}}%
1338 \define@key{FB}{StandardLists}[true]%
1339     {\csname FBStandardItemLists#1\endcsname
1340     \ifFBStandardItemLists
1341         \FBReduceListSpacingfalse
1342         \FBCompactItemizefalse
1343         \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1344         \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1345         \FBStandardItemLabelstrue
1346     \else
1347         \FBReduceListSpacinglead
1348         \FBCompactItemizetrue
1349         \FBStandardItemEnvfalse
1350         \FBStandardItemEnvfalse

```

```

1351           \FBStandardItemLabelsfalse
1352           \fi}%
1353 \define@key{FB}{IndentFirst}[true]%
1354           {\csname FBIndentFirst#1\endcsname}%
1355 \define@key{FB}{FrenchFootnotes}[true]%
1356           {\csname FBFrenchFootnotes#1\endcsname}%
1357 \define@key{FB}{AutoSpaceFootnotes}[true]%
1358           {\csname FBAutoSpaceFootnotes#1\endcsname}%
1359 \define@key{FB}{AutoSpacePunctuation}[true]%
1360           {\csname FBAutoSpacePunctuation#1\endcsname}%
1361 \define@key{FB}{OriginalTypewriter}[true]%
1362           {\csname FBOriginalTypewriter#1\endcsname}%
1363 \define@key{FB}{ThinColonSpace}[true]%
1364           {\csname FBThinColonSpace#1\endcsname}
1365           \ifFBThinColonSpace
1366               \renewcommand*{\FBcolonspace}{\FBthinspace}%
1367           \fi}%
1368 \define@key{FB}{ThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers}[true]%
1369           {\csname FBThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers#1\endcsname}%
1370 \define@key{FB}{FrenchSuperscripts}[true]%
1371           {\csname FBFrenchSuperscripts#1\endcsname}
1372 \define@key{FB}{LowercaseSuperscripts}[true]%
1373           {\csname FBLowercaseSuperscripts#1\endcsname}
1374 \define@key{FB}{PartNameFull}[true]%
1375           {\csname FBPartNameFull#1\endcsname}%
1376 \define@key{FB}{CustomiseFigTabCaptions}[true]%
1377           {\csname FBCustomiseFigTabCaptions#1\endcsname}%
1378 \define@key{FB}{OldFigTabCaptions}[true]%
1379           {\csname FBOldFigTabCaptions#1\endcsname}

\CurrentOption no longer defined. It's value has been saved in \FB@CurOpt while
reading french.ldf.

1380           \ifFBOldFigTabCaptions
1381               \FB@addto{extras}{\babel@save\FCaption@Separator
1382                           \def\FCaption@Separator{\CaptionSeparator}}%
1383           \fi}%
1384 \define@key{FB}{SmallCapsFigTabCaptions}[true]%
1385           {\csname FBSmallCapsFigTabCaptions#1\endcsname}
1386           \iffBSmallCapsFigTabCaptions
1387               \let\FBfigtabshape\scshape
1388           \else
1389               \let\FBfigtabshape\relax
1390           \fi}%
1391 \define@key{FB}{SuppressWarning}[true]%
1392           {\csname FBSuppressWarning#1\endcsname}
1393           \iffBSSuppressWarning
1394               \renewcommand{\FBWarning}[1]{}%
1395           \fi}%

Here are the options controlling French guillemets spacing and the output of
\f{}
```

```
1396 \define@key{FB}{INGuillSpace}[true]%
```

```

1397      {\csname FBINGuillSpace#1\endcsname
1398      \ifFBINGuillSpace
1399          \renewcommand*\FBguillspace{\space}%
1400      \fi}%
1401 \define@key{FB}{InnerGuillSingle}[true]%
1402     {\csname FBInnerGuillSingle#1\endcsname}%
1403 \define@key{FB}{EveryParGuill}[open]%
1404     {\expandafter\let\expandafter
1405         \FBeveryparguill\csname FBguill#1\endcsname
1406         \ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillopen
1407         \else\ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillclose
1408             \else\ifx\FBeveryparguill\FBguillnone
1409                 \else
1410                     \let\FBeveryparguill\FBguillopen
1411                     \FBWarning{Wrong value for 'EveryParGuill':
1412                         try 'open', \MessageBreak
1413                         'close' or 'none'. Reported}%
1414                 \fi
1415             \fi
1416         \fi}%
1417 \define@key{FB}{EveryLineGuill}[open]%
1418     {\ifFB@luatex@punct
1419         \expandafter\let\expandafter
1420             \FBeverylineguill\csname FBguill#1\endcsname
1421             \ifx\FBeverylineguill\FBguillopen
1422             \else\ifx\FBeverylineguill\FBguillclose
1423                 \else\ifx\FBeverylineguill\FBguillnone
1424                     \else
1425                         \let\FBeverylineguill\FBguillnone
1426                         \FBWarning{Wrong value for 'EveryLineGuill':
1427                             try 'open', \MessageBreak
1428                             'close' or 'none'. Reported}%
1429                     \fi
1430                 \fi
1431             \fi
1432         \else
1433             \FBWarning{Option 'EveryLineGuill' skipped:%
1434                 \MessageBreak this option is for
1435                 LuTeX *only*. \MessageBreak Reported}%
1436         \fi}%

```

Option `UnicodeNoBreakSpaces` (LuaLaTeX only) is meant for HTML translators: when true, all non-breaking spaces added by babel-french are coded in the PDF file as Unicode characters, namely U+A0 or U+202F, instead of penalties and glues.

```

1437 \define@key{FB}{UnicodeNoBreakSpaces}[true]%
1438     {\ifFB@luatex@punct
1439         \csname FBucsNBSP#1\endcsname
1440         \ifFBucsNBSP \FB@ucsNBSP=1 \fi
1441     \else
1442         \FBWarning{Option 'UnicodeNoBreakSpaces' skipped:%
1443             \MessageBreak this option is for

```

```

1444           LuaTeX *only*. \MessageBreak Reported}%
1445           \fi
1446       }%

```

Inputting French quotes as *single characters* when they are available on the keyboard (through a compose key for instance) is more comfortable than typing \og and \fg. With pdfTeX (or old LaTeX and XeTeX engines), quote characters are made active and expand to \og\ignorespaces and {\fg} respectively if the current language is French, and to \guillemotleft and \guillemotright otherwise (think of German quotes), this is done by \FB@og and \FB@fg; thus correct non-breaking spaces will be added automatically to French quotes. The quote characters typed in depend on the input encoding, it can be single-byte (latin1, latin9, applemac,...) or multi-bytes (utf-8, utf8x); the inputenc package has to be loaded before the \begin{document} with the proper coding option, so we check if \DeclareInputText is defined.

Life is much simpler here with modern LaTeX or XeTeX engines: we just have to activate the \FB@addGUILspace attribute for LaTeX or set \XeTeXcharclass of quotes to the proper value for XeTeX.

```

1447   \define@key{FB}{og}%
1448     {\ifFBunicode

```

LaTeX or XeTeX in use, first try modern LaTeX: we just need to set LaTeX's attribute \FB@addGUILspace to 1,

```

1449     \ifFB@luatex@punct
1450       \FB@addGUILspace=1 \relax
1451     \fi

```

then with XeTeX it is a bit more tricky:

```
1452   \ifFB@xetex@punct
```

\XeTeXinterchartokenstate is defined, we just need to set \XeTeXcharclass to \FB@guilo for the French opening quote in T1 and Unicode encoding (see subsection 2.2).

```

1453     \XeTeXcharclass"13 = \FB@guilo
1454     \XeTeXcharclass"AB = \FB@guilo
1455     \XeTeXcharclass"A0 = \FB@guilnul
1456     \XeTeXcharclass"202F = \FB@guilnul
1457   \fi

```

Issue a warning with older Unicode engines requiring active characters.

```

1458   \ifFB@active@punct
1459     \FBWarning{Option og=< not supported with this version
1460               of\MessageBreak LaTeX/XeTeX; reported}%
1461   \fi
1462   \else

```

This is for conventional TeX engines:

```

1463   \newcommand*\{\FB@og}\{%
1464     \ifFBfrench
1465       \ifFB@spacing\FB@og\ignorespaces
1466         \else\guillemotleft
1467         \fi
1468       \else\guillemotleft\fi}%

```

```

1469          \AtBeginDocument{%
1470              \ifdefined\DeclareInputText
1471                  \ifdefined\uc@dclc
1472                      Package inputenc with utf8x encoding loaded, use \uc@dclc,
1473                                      \uc@dclc{171}{default}{\FB@@og}%
1474                  \else
1475                      if encoding is not utf8x, try utf8...
1476                          \ifdefined\DeclareUnicodeCharacter
1477                              utf8 loaded, use \DeclareUnicodeCharacter,
1478                                  \DeclareUnicodeCharacter{00AB}{\FB@@og}%
1479                          \else
1480                              if utf8 is not loaded either, we assume 8-bit character input encoding. Package
1481                              MULEenc (from CJK) defines \mule@def to map characters to control sequences.
1482                                  \attempcnta'#1\relax
1483                                  \ifdefined\mule@def
1484                                      \mule@def{11}{\FB@@og}%
1485                                  \else
1486                                      \DeclareInputText{\the\attempcnta}{\FB@@og}%
1487                                  \fi
1488                                  \fi
1489                                  \fi
1490                                  \else
1491
1492          Package inputenc not loaded, no way...
1493          \FBWarning{Option `og' requires package inputenc;%
1494                      \MessageBreak reported}%
1495          \fi
1496          }%
1497          \fi
1498          }%
1499          \fi
1500          }%
1501          \fi
1502          \fi
1503          \ifFB@active@punct
1504              \FBWarning{Option fg=> not supported with this version
1505                          of\MessageBreak LuaTeX/XeTeX; reported}%
1506          \fi
1507          \else
1508              \newcommand*\FB@{fg}%

```

```

1509          \iffBFfrench
1510              \iffB@spacing\FB@fg
1511                  \else\guillemotright
1512                      \fi
1513                  \else\guillemotright\fi}%
1514          \AtBeginDocument{%
1515              \ifdefined\DeclareInputText
1516                  \ifdefined\uc@dclc
1517                      \uc@dclc{187}{default}{\FB@@fg}%
1518              \else
1519                  \ifdefined\DeclareUnicodeCharacter
1520                      \DeclareUnicodeCharacter{00BB}{\FB@@fg}%
1521                  \else
1522                      \atempcpta'#1\relax
1523                      \ifdefined\mule@def
1524                          \mule@def{27}{{\FB@@fg}}%
1525                      \else
1526                          \DeclareInputText{\the\atempcpta}{\FB@@fg}%
1527                      \fi
1528                  \fi
1529              \fi
1530          \else
1531              \FBWarning{Option ‘fg’ requires package inputenc;%
1532                      \MessageBreak reported}%
1533          \fi
1534      }%
1535  \fi
1536 }%
1537 }

```

**\FBprocess@options** `\FBprocess@options` will be executed at `\begin{document}`: it first checks about packages loaded in the preamble (possibly after babel) which customise lists: currently `enumitem`, `paralist` and `enumerate`; then it processes the options as set by `\frenchsetup{}` or forced for compatibility with packages loaded in the preamble. When French is the main language, `\extrasfrench` and `\captionsfrench` have already been processed by babel at `\begin{document}` before `\FBprocess@options`.

```
1538 \newcommand*\FBprocess@options{%
```

Update flags if a package customising lists has been loaded, currently: `enumitem`, `paralist`, `enumerate`.

```

1539  \@ifpackageloaded{enumitem}{%
1540      \iffBStandardItemizeEnv
1541          \else
1542              \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1543              \PackageInfo{french.ldf}{%
1544                  {Setting StandardItemizeEnv=true for\MessageBreak
1545                  compatibility with enumitem package,\MessageBreak
1546                  reported}%
1547          \fi
1548      \iffBStandardEnumerateEnv
1549      \else

```

```

1550      \FBStandardEnumerateEnvtrue
1551      \PackageInfo{french.ldf}%
1552          {Setting StandardEnumerateEnv=true for\MessageBreak
1553              compatibility with enumitem package,\MessageBreak
1554              reported}%
1555      \fi}{}%
1556  \@ifpackageloaded{paralist}{%
1557      \ifFBStandardItemizeEnv
1558      \else
1559          \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1560          \PackageInfo{french.ldf}%
1561              {Setting StandardItemizeEnv=true for\MessageBreak
1562                  compatibility with paralist package,\MessageBreak
1563                  reported}%
1564      \fi
1565  \iffBStandardItemizeEnv
1566  \else
1567      \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1568      \PackageInfo{french.ldf}%
1569          {Setting StandardItemizeEnv=true for\MessageBreak
1570              compatibility with paralist package,\MessageBreak
1571              reported}%
1572      \fi}{}%
1573  \@ifpackageloaded{enumerate}{%
1574      \iffBStandardItemizeEnv
1575      \else
1576          \FBStandardItemizeEnvtrue
1577          \PackageInfo{french.ldf}%
1578              {Setting StandardItemizeEnv=true for\MessageBreak
1579                  compatibility with enumerate package,\MessageBreak
1580                  reported}%
1581      \fi}{}%

```

Reset \FB@ufl's normal meaning and update lists' settings now in case French is the main language:

```

1582  \def\FB@ufl{\update@frenchlists}
1583  \ifx\bbl@main@language\FB@french
1584      \update@frenchlists
1585  \fi

```

The layout of footnotes is handled at the \begin{document} depending on the values of flags **FrenchFootnotes** and **AutoSpaceFootnotes** (see section 2.14), nothing has to be done here for footnotes.

**AutoSpacePunctuation** adds a non-breaking space (in French only) before the four active characters (;:!?) even if none has been typed before them.

```

1586  \iffBAutoSpacePunctuation
1587      \autospace@beforeFDP
1588  \else
1589      \noautospace@beforeFDP
1590  \fi

```

When **OriginalTypewriter** is set to **false** (the default), \ttfamily, \rmfamily and

\sffamily are redefined as \ttfamilyFB, \rmfamilyFB and \sffamilyFB respectively to prevent addition of automatic spaces before the four active characters in computer code.

```
1591 \iffB0originalTypewriter
1592 \else
1593   \let\ttfamily0\rtf1\ttfamily
1594   \let\rmfamily0\rtf1\rmfamily
1595   \let\sffamily0\rtf1\sffamily
1596   \let\ttfamily\ttfamilyFB
1597   \let\rmfamily\rmfamilyFB
1598   \let\sffamily\sffamilyFB
1599 \fi
```

When package numprint is loaded with option autolanguage, numprint's command \npstylefrench has to be redefined differently according to the value of flag **ThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers**. As \npstylefrench was undefined in old versions of numprint, we provide this command.

```
1600 \@ifpackageloaded{numprint}%
1601   {\ifnprt@autolanguage
1602     \providecommand*{\npstylefrench}{}%
1603     \ifFBThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers
1604       \renewcommand*{\FBthousandsep}{\,}%
1605     \fi
1606     \g@addto@macro{\npstylefrench{\nptkern{-0.1em}\FBthousandsep\FBthousandsep}}%
1607   \fi
1608 }{}%
```

**FrenchSuperscripts**: if **true** \up=\fup, else \up=\textsuperscript. Anyway \up\*=\FB@up@fake. The star-form \up\*{} is provided for fonts that lack some superior letters: Adobe Jenson Pro and Utopia Expert have no "g superior" for instance.

```
1609 \iffBFrenchSuperscripts
1610   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\up}{\@ifstar{\FB@up@fake}{\fup}}%
1611 \else
1612   \DeclareRobustCommand*{\up}{\@ifstar{\FB@up@fake}%
1613                               {\textsuperscript}}%
1614 \fi
```

**LowercaseSuperscripts**: if **false** \FB@lc is redefined to do nothing.

```
1615 \iffBLowercaseSuperscripts
1616 \else
1617   \renewcommand*{\FB@lc}[1]{##1}%
1618 \fi
```

Unless **CustomiseFigTabCaptions** has been set to **false**, use \CaptionSeparator for koma-script, memoir and beamer classes.

```
1619 \iffBCustomiseFigTabCaptions
1620   \iffB@koma
1621     \renewcommand*{\captionformat}{\CaptionSeparator}%
1622   \fi
1623   \@ifclassloaded{memoir}%
1624     {\captiondelim{\CaptionSeparator}}{}%
1625   \@ifclassloaded{beamer}%
```

```

1626      {\defbeamertemplate{caption label separator}{FBcustom}{%
1627          \CaptionSeparator}%
1628      \setbeamertemplate{caption label separator}[FBcustom]{}{}%
1629  \else
1630  \ifFB@koma
1631      \renewcommand*\captionformat{{\autospace@beforeFDP : }}%
1632  \fi
1633  \@ifclassloaded{memoir}%
1634      {\captiondelim{{\autospace@beforeFDP : }}}%
1635  }{}%
1636  \@ifclassloaded{beamer}%
1637      {\defbeamertemplate{caption label separator}{FBcolon}{%
1638          {\autospace@beforeFDP : }}%
1639      \setbeamertemplate{caption label separator}[FBcolon]{}%
1640  }{}%
1641  \fi
When CustomiseFigTabCaptions is false, have the colon behave properly in French:
locally force \autospace@beforeFDP in case of AutoSpacePunctuation=false.
1642  \ifFBShowOptions
1643      \GenericWarning{* }{%
1644          * **** List of possible options for frenchb ****\MessageBreak
1645          [Default values between brackets when frenchb is loaded *LAST*]%
1646          \MessageBreak
1647          ShowOptions=true [false]\MessageBreak
1648          StandardLayout=true [false]\MessageBreak
1649          GlobalLayoutFrench=false [true]\MessageBreak
1650          StandardLists=true [false]\MessageBreak
1651          IndentFirst=false [true]\MessageBreak
1652          ReduceListSpacing=false [true]\MessageBreak
1653          ListOldLayout=true [false]\MessageBreak
1654          StandardItemizeEnv=true [false]\MessageBreak
1655          StandardEnumerateEnv=true [false]\MessageBreak
1656          StandardItemLabels=true [false]\MessageBreak
1657          ItemLabels=\textemdash, \textbullet,
1658              \protect\ding{43},... [\textendash]\MessageBreak
1659          ItemLabeli=\textemdash, \textbullet,
1660              \protect\ding{43},... [\textendash]\MessageBreak
1661          ItemLabelii=\textemdash, \textbullet,
1662              \protect\ding{43},... [\textendash]\MessageBreak
1663          ItemLabeliii=\textemdash, \textbullet,
1664              \protect\ding{43},... [\textendash]\MessageBreak
1665          ItemLabeliv=\textemdash, \textbullet,
1666              \protect\ding{43},... [\textendash]\MessageBreak
1667          FrenchFootnotes=false [true]\MessageBreak
1668          AutoSpaceFootnotes=false [true]\MessageBreak
1669          AutoSpacePunctuation=false [true]\MessageBreak
1670          OriginalTypewriter=true [false]\MessageBreak
1671          ThinColonSpace=true [false]\MessageBreak
1672          ThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers=true [false]\MessageBreak

```

```

1673   FrenchSuperscripts=false [true]\MessageBreak
1674   LowercaseSuperscripts=false [true]\MessageBreak
1675   PartNameFull=false [true]\MessageBreak
1676   SuppressWarning=true [false]\MessageBreak
1677   CustomiseFigTabCaptions=false [true]\MessageBreak
1678   OldFigTabCaptions=true [false]\MessageBreak
1679   SmallCapsFigTabCaptions=false [true]\MessageBreak
1680   INGuillSpace=true [false]\MessageBreak
1681   InnerGuillSingle=true [false]\MessageBreak
1682   EveryParGuill=open, close, none [open]\MessageBreak
1683   EveryLineGuill=open, close, none
1684       [open in LuaTeX, none otherwise]\MessageBreak
1685   UnicodeNoBreakSpaces=true [false]\MessageBreak
1686   og= <left quote character>, fg= <right quote character>%
1687   \MessageBreak
1688   ****%
1689   \MessageBreak\protect\frenchsetup{ShowOptions}}
1690   \fi
1691 }

```

At `\begin{document}`, we have to provide an `\xspace` command in case the `xspace` package is not loaded, do some setup for `hyperref`'s bookmarks, execute `\FBprocess@options`, switch `LuaTeX` punctuation on and issue some warnings if necessary.

```

1692 \AtBeginDocument{%
1693   \providecommand*{\xspace}{\relax}%

```

Let's redefine some commands in `hyperref`'s bookmarks.

```

1694   \ifdefined\pdfstringdefDisableCommands
1695     \pdfstringdefDisableCommands{%
1696       \let\up\relax
1697       \let\fup\relax
1698       \let\degre\textdegree
1699       \let\degres\textdegree
1700       \def\ieme{e\xspace}%
1701       \def\iemes{es\xspace}%
1702       \def\ier{er\xspace}%
1703       \def\iers{ers\xspace}%
1704       \def\iere{re\xspace}%
1705       \def\ieres{res\xspace}%
1706       \def\FrenchEnumerate{\#1{\degre\space}%
1707       \def\FrenchPopularEnumerate{\#1{\degre}\space}%
1708       \def\No{N\degre\space}%
1709       \def\no{n\degre\space}%
1710       \def\Nos{N\degre\space}%
1711       \def\nos{n\degre\space}%
1712       \def\FB@og{\guillemotleft\space}%
1713       \def\FB@fg{\space\guillemotright}%
1714       \def\at{@}%
1715       \def\circonflexe{\string^}%
1716       \def\tild{\string~}%

```

```

1717      \def\boi{\textbackslash}
1718      \let\bsc\textsc
1719      }%
1720  \fi

```

Let's now process the remaining options, either not explicitly set by `\frenchsetup{}` or possibly modified by packages loaded after `babel-french`.

```
1721  \FBprocess@options
```

The final definitions of commands ruling spacing in French been known, let's reset the corresponding toks for LuaTeX and load file `frenchb.lua` (LuaTeX only).

```

1722  \iffB@luatex@punct
1723      \FBcolonsp=\expandafter{\meaning\FBcolonspace}%
1724      \FBthinsp= \expandafter{\meaning\FBthinspace}%
1725      \FBguillsp=\expandafter{\meaning\FBguillspace}%
1726      \activate@luatexpunct
1727  \fi

```

When option `UnicodeNoBreakSpaces` is `true` (LuaLaTeX only) we need to redefine as Unicode characters `\FBguillspace` (for commands `\og` and `\fg`), `\FBmedkern`, `\FBthickkern` and `\FBthousandsep`.

```

1728  \iffBucsNBSP
1729      \renewcommand*\FBguillspace{\char"A0\relax}%
1730      \renewcommand*\FBmedkern{\char"202F\relax}%
1731      \renewcommand*\FBthickkern{\char"A0\relax}%
1732      \iffBThinSpaceInFrenchNumbers
1733          \renewcommand*\FBthousandsep{\char"202F\relax}%
1734      \else
1735          \renewcommand*\FBthousandsep{\char"A0\relax}%
1736      \fi
1737  \fi

```

Some warnings are issued when output font encodings are not properly set. With XeLaTeX or LuaLaTeX, `fontspec.sty` should be loaded unless either TU encoding is set by LaTeX or T1 encoded fonts are used through `luainputenc`, in the latter case `\FB@og` and `\FB@fg` have to be redefined. With (pdf)TeX, a warning is issued when OT1 encoding is in use at the `\begin{document}`. Mind that `\encodingdefault` is defined as 'long', defining `\FBTU` or `\FBOTone` with `\newcommand*` would fail!

```

1738  \begingroup
1739      \newcommand{\FBTU}{TU}%
1740      \newcommand{\FBOTone}{OT1}%
1741      \iffBunicode
1742          \ifx\encodingdefault\FBTU
1743          \else
1744              \@ifpackageloaded{fontspec}{}%
1745                  {\@ifpackageloaded{luainputenc}{}%
1746                      {\FBWarning{Add \protect\usepackage{fontspec} to the%
1747                          \MessageBreak preamble of your document, reported}%
1748                      }%
1749                  }
1750          \fi
1751      \else

```

```

1752     \ifx\encodingdefault\FBOTone
1753         \FBWarning{OT1 encoding should not be used for French.%}
1754             \MessageBreak
1755                 Add \protect\usepackage[T1]{fontenc} to the
1756                     preamble\MessageBreak of your document; reported}%
1757         \fi
1758     \fi
1759 \endgroup
1760 }

```

## 2.12 French lists

\listFB Vertical spacing in lists should be shorter in French texts than the defaults provided \listORI by L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X. Note that the easy way, just changing values of vertical spacing parameters \FB@listVsettings when entering French and restoring them to their defaults on exit would not work; so we define the command \FB@listVsettings to hold the settings to be used by the French variant \listFB of \list. Note that switching to \listFB reduces vertical spacing in *all* environments built on \list: itemize, enumerate, description, but also abstract, quotation, quote and verse... The amount of vertical space before and after a list is given by \topsep + \parskip (+ \partopsep if the list starts a new paragraph). IMHO, \parskip should be added *only* when the list starts a new paragraph, so I subtract \parskip from \topsep and add it back to \partopsep; this will normally make no difference because \parskip's default value is 0pt, but will be noticeable when \parskip is *not* null.

```

1761 \let\listORI\list
1762 \let\endlistORI\endlist
1763 \def\FB@listVsettings{%
1764     \setlength{\itemsep}{0.4ex plus 0.2ex minus 0.2ex}%
1765     \setlength{\parsep}{0.4ex plus 0.2ex minus 0.2ex}%
1766     \setlength{\topsep}{0.8ex plus 0.4ex minus 0.4ex}%
1767     \setlength{\partopsep}{0.4ex plus 0.2ex minus 0.2ex}%

```

\parskip is of type 'skip', its mean value only (*not the glue*) should be subtracted from \topsep and added to \partopsep, so convert \parskip to a 'dimen' using \@tempdima.

```

1768     \@tempdima=\parskip
1769     \addtolength{\topsep}{-\@tempdima}%
1770     \addtolength{\partopsep}{\@tempdima}%
1771 }
1772 \def\listFB#1#2{\listORI{#1}{\FB@listVsettings #2}}
1773 \let\endlistFB\endlist

```

Let's now consider French itemize-lists. They differ from those provided by the standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\varepsilon$</sub>  classes:

- The ‘•’ is never used in French itemize-lists, an emdash ‘—’ or an endash ‘–’ is preferred for all levels. The item label to be used in French is stored in \FrenchLabelItem, it defaults to ‘—’ and can be changed using \frenchsetup{} (see section 2.11).

- Vertical spacing between items, before and after the list, should be *null* with *no glue* added;
- In French the labels of itemize-lists are vertically aligned as follows:
 

Text starting at 'parindent'  
 $\Leftmargin$   
 — first item...  
 — first second level item  
 — next one...  
 — second item...

\FrenchLabelItem Default labels for French itemize-lists (same label for all levels):

```

\frlabelitemi 1774 \newcommand*{\FrenchLabelItem}{\textemdash}
\frlabelitemii 1775 \newcommand*{\frlabelitemi}{\FrenchLabelItem}
\frlabelitemiii 1776 \newcommand*{\frlabelitemii}{\FrenchLabelItem}
\frlabelitemiv 1777 \newcommand*{\frlabelitemiii}{\FrenchLabelItem}
1778 \newcommand*{\frlabelitemiv}{\FrenchLabelItem}

```

\listindentFB Let's define three lengths \listindentFB, \descendentFB and \labelwidthFB to \descendentFB customise lists' horizontal indentations. They are given silly values here (-1pt) \labelwidthFB in order to eventually enable their customisation in the preamble. They will get reasonable defaults later when entering French (see \bbl@frenchlabelitems) unless they have been customised.

```

1779 \newlength\listindentFB
1780 \setlength{\listindentFB}{-1pt}
1781 \newlength\descendentFB
1782 \setlength{\descendentFB}{-1pt}
1783 \newlength\labelwidthFB
1784 \setlength{\labelwidthFB}{-1pt}

```

\FB@listHsettings \FB@listHsettings holds the new horizontal settings chosen for French lists itemize \leftmarginFB and enumerate starting with version 2.6a. They are based on the look requested in French for itemize-lists.

```

1785 \newlength\leftmarginFB
1786 \def\FB@listHsettings{%
1787   \leftmarginFB\labelwidthFB
1788   \advance\leftmarginFB \labelsep
1789   \bbl@for\FB@dp {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}%
1790     {\csname leftmargin\romannumeral\FB@dp\endcsname \leftmarginFB}%
1791   \advance\leftmargini \listindentFB
1792   \leftmargin\csname leftmargin\ifnum@\listdepth=@ne i\else
1793                                     ii\fi\endcsname
1794 }

```

\itemizeFB New environment for French itemize-lists.

\FB@itemizesettings \FB@itemizesettings does two things: first suppress all vertical spaces including glue when option `ReduceListSpacing` is set, then set horizontal indentations according to \FB@listHsettings unless option `ListOldLayout` is `true` (compatibility with lists up to v. 2.5k).

```

1795 \def\FB@itemizesettings{%
1796     \iffBReduceListSpacing
1797         \setlength{\itemsep}{\z@}%
1798         \setlength{\parsep}{\z@}%
1799         \setlength{\topsep}{\z@}%
1800         \setlength{\partopsep}{\z@}%
1801         \tempdima=\parskip
1802         \addtolength{\topsep}{-\tempdima}%
1803         \addtolength{\partopsep}{\tempdima}%
1804     \fi
1805     \settowidth{\labelwidth}{\csname\@itemitem\endcsname}%
1806     \iffBListOldLayout
1807         \setlength{\leftmargin}{\labelwidth}%
1808         \addtolength{\leftmargin}{\labelsep}%
1809         \addtolength{\leftmargin}{\parindent}%
1810     \else
1811         \FB@listHsettings
1812     \fi
1813 }

```

The definition of `\itemizeFB` follows the one of `\itemize` in standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2 <sub>$\varepsilon$</sub>  classes (see `ltlists.dtx`), spaces are customised by `\FB@itemizesettings`.

```

1814 \def\itemizeFB{%
1815     \ifnum \@itemdepth >\thr@@\@toodeep\else
1816         \advance\@itemdepth\@ne
1817         \edef\@itemitem{\labelitem\romannumeral\the\@itemdepth}%
1818         \expandafter
1819         \listORI
1820         \csname\@itemitem\endcsname
1821         \FB@itemizesettings
1822     \fi
1823 }
1824 \let\enditemizeFB\endlistORI

1825 \def\labelitemsFB{%
1826     \let\labelitemi\frlabelitemi
1827     \let\labelitemii\frlabelitemii
1828     \let\labelitemiii\frlabelitemiii
1829     \let\labelitemiv\frlabelitemiv
1830     \ifdim\labelwidthFB<\z@
1831         \settowidth{\labelwidthFB}{\FrenchLabelItem}%
1832     \fi
1833     \ifdim\listindentFB<\z@
1834         \ifdim\parindent=\z@
1835             \setlength{\listindentFB}{1.5em}%
1836         \else
1837             \setlength{\listindentFB}{\parindent}%
1838         \fi
1839     \fi
1840     \ifdim\descindentFB<\z@
1841         \setlength{\descindentFB}{\listindentFB}%
1842     \fi

```

```
1843 }
```

**\enumerateFB** The definition of \enumerateFB, new to version 2.6a, follows the one of \enumerate in standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub><</sub> classes (see *ltlists.dtx*), vertical spaces are customised (or not) via \list (= \listFB or \listORI) and horizontal spaces (leftmargins) are borrowed from itemize lists via \FB@listHsettings.

```
1844 \def\enumerateFB{%
1845   \ifnum \c@enumdepth >\thr@@\atodeep\else
1846     \advance\c@enumdepth\@ne
1847     \edef\c@enumctr{\c@enum\romannumeral\the\c@enumdepth}%
1848     \expandafter
1849     \list
1850       \csname label\c@enumctr\endcsname
1851       {\FB@listHsettings
1852         \usecounter\c@enumctr\def\makelabel##1{\hss\llap{##1}}}}
1853 \fi
1854 }
1855 \let\endenumerateFB\endlistORI
```

**\descriptionFB** Same tuning for the description environment (see *classes.dtx* for the original definition). Customisable length \descindentFB, which defaults to \listindentFB, is added to \itemindent (first level only). When \descindentFB=0pt (1rst level labels start at the left margin), \leftmargini is reduced to \listindentFB instead of \listindentFB + \leftmarginFB.

```
1856 \def\descriptionFB{%
1857   \list{}{\FB@listHsettings
1858     \labelwidth\z@
1859     \itemindent-\leftmargin
1860     \ifnum\c@listdepth=1
1861       \ifdim\descindentFB=\z@
1862         \ifdim\listindentFB>\z@
1863           \leftmargini\listindentFB
1864           \leftmargin\leftmargini
1865           \itemindent-\leftmargin
1866         \fi
1867       \else
1868         \advance\itemindent by \descindentFB
1869       \fi
1870     \fi
1871     \let\makelabel\descriptionlabel}}
1872 }
1873 \let\enddescriptionFB\endlistORI
```

**\update@frenchlists** \update@frenchlists will set up lists according to the final options (default or part \bbl@frenchlistlayout of \frenchsetup{} eventually overruled in \FBprocess@options).

```
1874 \def\update@frenchlists{%
1875   \iffBRReduceListSpacing \let\list\listFB \fi
1876   \iffBStandardItemizeEnv
1877   \else \let\itemize\itemizeFB \fi
1878   \iffBStandardItemLabels
```

```

1879 \else \labelitemsFB \fi
1880 \ifFBStandardEnumerateEnv
1881 \else \let\enumerate\enumerateFB \let\description\descriptionFB \fi
1882 }

If GlobalLayoutFrench=true, nothing has to be done at language's switches regarding lists. Otherwise, \extrasfrench saves the standard settings for lists and then executes \update@frenchlists. In both cases, there is nothing to do for lists in \noextrasfrench.

In order to ensure compatibility with packages customising lists, the command \update@frenchlists should not be included in the first call to \extrasfrench which occurs before the relevant flags are finally set, so we define \FB@ufl as \relax, it will be redefined later 'AtBeginDocument' by \FBprocess@options as \update@frenchlists, see p. 58.

1883 \def\FB@ufl{\relax}
1884 \def\bbl@frenchlistlayout{%
1885   \ifFBGlobalLayoutFrench
1886   \else
1887     \babel@save\list      \babel@save\itemize
1888     \babel@save\enumerate \babel@save\description
1889     \babel@save\labelitemi \babel@save\labelitemii
1890     \babel@save\labelitemii \babel@save\labelitemiv
1891     \FB@ufl
1892   \fi
1893 }
1894 \FB@addto{extras}{\bbl@frenchlistlayout}

```

## 2.13 French indentation of sections

`\bbl@frenchindent` In French the first paragraph of each section should be indented, this is another difference with US-English. This is controlled by the flag `\if@afterindent`.

We will need to save the value of the flag `\if@afterindent` 'AtBeginDocument' before eventually changing its value.

```

1895 \def\bbl@frenchindent{%
1896   \ifFBGlobalLayoutFrench
1897   \else
1898     \babel@save\@afterindentfalse
1899   \fi
1900   \iffBIndentFirst
1901     \let\@afterindentfalse\@afterindenttrue
1902     \@afterindenttrue
1903   \fi}
1904 \def\bbl@nonfrenchindent{%
1905   \ifFBGlobalLayoutFrench
1906   \iffBIndentFirst
1907     \@afterindenttrue
1908   \fi
1909   \fi}
1910 \FB@addto{extras}{\bbl@frenchindent}
1911 \FB@addto{noextras}{\bbl@nonfrenchindent}

```

## 2.14 Formatting footnotes

The `bigfoot` package deeply changes the way footnotes are handled. When `bigfoot` is loaded, we just warn the user that `babel-french` will drop the customisation of footnotes.

The layout of footnotes is controlled by two flags `\iffBAAutoSpaceFootnotes` and `\iffBFFrenchFootnotes` which are set by options of `\frenchsetup{}` (see section 2.11). The layout of footnotes *does not depend* on the current language (just think of two footnotes on the same page looking different because one was called in a French part, the other one in English!).

We save the original definition of `\@footnotemark` at the `\begin{document}` in order to include any customisation that packages might have done; we define a variant `\@footnotemarkFB` which just adds a thin space before the number or symbol calling a footnote (any space typed in is removed first). The choice between the two definitions (valid for the whole document) is controlled by flag `\ifBAAutoSpaceFootnotes`.

```
1912 \AtBeginDocument{@ifpackageloaded{bigfoot}%
1913           {\PackageInfo{french.ldf}{%
1914             {bigfoot package in use.\MessageBreak
1915             frenchb will NOT customise footnotes;%
1916             \MessageBreak reported}}%
1917           {\let\@footnotemarkORI\@footnotemark
1918             \def\@footnotemarkFB{\leavevmode\unskip\unkern
1919               ,\@footnotemarkORI}%
1920             \ifBAAutoSpaceFootnotes
1921               \let\@footnotemark\@footnotemarkFB
1922             \fi}%
1923 }
```

**\@makefntextFB** We then define `\@makefntextFB`, a variant of `\@makefntext` which is responsible for the layout of footnotes, to match the specifications of the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’: footnotes will be indented by `\parindentFFN`, numbers (if any) typeset on the baseline (instead of superscripts), right aligned on `\parindentFFN` and followed by a dot and an half quad kern. Whenever symbols are used to number footnotes (as in `\thanks` for instance), we switch back to the standard layout (the French layout of footnotes is meant for footnotes numbered by arabic or roman digits).

The value of `\parindentFFN` will be redefined at the `\begin{document}`, as the maximum of `\parindent` and `1.5em` *unless* it has been set in the preamble (the weird value `10in` is just for testing whether `\parindentFFN` has been set or not).

```
1924 \newdimen\parindentFFN
1925 \parindentFFN=10in
\FBfnindent will be set 'AtBeginDocument' to the width of the box holding the
footnote mark, \dotFFN and \kernFFN (flushed right). It is used by memoir and
koma-script classes.
1926 \newcommand*\dotFFN{.}
1927 \newcommand*\kernFFN{\kern .5em}
1928 \newlength\FBfnindent
```

`\@makefntextFB`’s definition is now tuned according to the document’s class for better compatibility.

Koma-script classes provide `\deffootnote`, a handy command to customise the footnotes' layout (see English manual `scrguien.pdf`); it redefines `\@makefntext` and `\@@makefnmark`. First, save the original definitions.

```

1929 \iffB@koma
1930   \let\@makefntext0\@makefntext
1931   \let\@@makefnmark0\@makefnmark
1932   \deffootnote[\FBfnindent]{0pt}{\parindentFFN}%
1933           {\thefootnotemark\dotFFN\kernFFN}
1934   \let\@makefntextFB\@makefntext
1935   \let\@@makefnmarkFB\@makefnmark
1936   \deffootnote[\parindentFFN]{0pt}{\parindentFFN}%
1937           {\textsuperscript{\thefootnotemark}}
1938   \let\@makefntextTH\@makefntext
1939   \let\@@makefnmarkTH\@makefnmark
1940 \let\@makefntext\@makefntext0
1941 \let\@@makefnmark\@@makefnmark0
1942 \fi
1943 \@ifclassloaded{memoir}
(see original definition in memman.pdf)
1944   {\newcommand{\@makefntextFB}[1]{%
1945     \def\footscript##1##1\dotFFN\kernFFN}%
1946     \setlength{\footmarkwidth}{\FBfnindent}%
1947     \setlength{\footmarksep}{-\footmarkwidth}%
1948     \setlength{\footparindent}{\parindentFFN}%
1949     \makefootmark #1}%
1950   }{}}
1951 \@ifclassloaded{beamer}
(see original definition in beamertbaseframecomponents.sty), note that for the
beamer class footnotes are LR-boxes, not paragraphs, so \parindentFFN is irrelevant.
1952   {\def\@makefntextFB#1{%
1953     \def\insertfootnotetext{\#1}%
1954     \def\insertfootnotemark{\insertfootnotemarkFB}%
1955     \usebeamertemplate***{footnote}}%
1956     \def\insertfootnotemarkFB{%
1957       \usebeamercolor[fg]{footnote mark}%
1958       \usebeamertfont*{footnote mark}%
1959       \llap{\@thefnmark}\dotFFN\kernFFN}%
1960   }{}}

```

Now the default definition of `\@makefntextFB` for standard LaTeX and AMS classes. The next command prints the footnote mark according to the specifications of the French ‘Imprimerie Nationale’. Keep in mind that `\@thefnmark` might be empty (i.e. in AMS classes’ titles)!

```

1961 \providetcommand*\insertfootnotemarkFB{%
1962   \parindent=\parindentFFN
1963   \rule{z@\footnotesep}
1964   \setbox\tempboxa\hbox{\@thefnmark}%
1965   \ifdim\wd\tempboxa>z@
1966     \llap{\@thefnmark}\dotFFN\kernFFN
1967   \fi}
1968 \providetcommand\@makefntextFB[1]{\insertfootnotemarkFB #1}
```

The rest of `\@makefntext`’s customisation is done at the `\begin{document}`. We save the original definition of `\@makefntext`, and then redefine `\@makefntext` according to the value of flag `\ifFBFrenchFootnotes` (true or false). Koma-script classes require a special treatment.

The LuaTeX command `\localleftbox` used by `\frquote{}` has to be reset inside footnotes, done for LaTeX based formats only.

```

1969 \providetcommand\localleftbox[1]{}
1970 \AtBeginDocument{%
1971   \@ifpackageloaded{bigfoot}{%
1972     \ifdim\parindentFFN<10in
1973       \else
1974         \parindentFFN=\parindent
1975         \ifdim\parindentFFN<1.5em \parindentFFN=1.5em \fi
1976       \fi
1977       \settowidth{\FBfnindent}{\dotFFN\kernFFN}%
1978       \addtolength{\FBfnindent}{\parindentFFN}%
1979       \let\@makefntext0RI\@makefntext
1980     \ifFB@koma
```

Definition of `\@makefntext` for koma-script classes: running `makefntext0RI` inside a group to reset `\localleftbox{}` would mess up the layout of footnotes whenever the first mandatory argument of `\deffootnote{}` (used as `\leftskip`) is non-nil (default is 1em, 0pt in French).

```

1981   \let\@@makefnmark0RI\@@makefnmark
1982   \long\def\@makefntext#1{%
1983     \ifFBFrenchFootnotes
1984       \ifx\footnote\thanks
1985         \let\@@makefnmark\@@makefnmarkTH
1986         \begingroup\localleftbox{}\@makefntextTH{#1}\endgroup
1987       \else
1988         \let\@@makefnmark\@@makefnmarkFB
1989         \begingroup\localleftbox{}\@makefntextFB{#1}\endgroup
1990       \fi
1991     \else
1992       \let\@@makefnmark\@@makefnmark0RI
1993       \@makefntext0RI{#1}%
1994     \fi}%

```

```
1995      \else
```

Special add-on for the memoir class: \maketitle redefines \@makefntext as \makethanksmark which is customised as follows to match the other notes' vertical alignment.

```
1996      \@ifclassloaded{memoir}%
1997          {\iffBFrenchFootnotes
1998              \setlength{\thanksmarkwidth}{\parindentFFN}%
1999              \setlength{\thanksmarksep}{-\thanksmarkwidth}%
2000          \fi
2001      }{}%
```

Special add-on for the beamer class: issue a warning in case \parindentFFN has been changed.

```
2002      \@ifclassloaded{beamer}%
2003          {\iffBFrenchFootnotes
2004              \ifdim\parindentFFN=1.5em\else
2005                  \FBWarning{%
2006                      \protect\parindentFFN\space is ineffective%
2007                      \MessageBreak within the beamer class.%%
2008                      \MessageBreak Reported}%
2009          \fi
2010      \fi
2011  }{}%
```

Definition of \@makefntext for all classes other than koma-script:

```
2012      \long\def\@makefntext#1{\begingroup\localleftbox{}%
2013          \iffBFrenchFootnotes
2014              \@makefntextFB{#1}%
2015          \else
2016              \@makefntextORI{#1}%
2017          \fi\endgroup}%
2018      \fi
2019  }%
2020 }
```

For compatibility reasons, we provide definitions for the commands dealing with the layout of footnotes in babel-french version 1.6. \frenchsetup{} (see in section 2.11) should be preferred for setting these options. \StandardFootnotes may still be used locally (in minipages for instance), that's why the test \iffBFrenchFootnotes is done inside \@makefntext.

```
2021 \newcommand*{\AddThinSpaceBeforeFootnotes}{\FBAutoSpaceFootnotestrue}
2022 \newcommand*{\FrenchFootnotes}{\FBFrenchFootnotestrue}
2023 \newcommand*{\StandardFootnotes}{\FBFrenchFootnotesfalse}
```

## 2.15 Clean up and exit

Final cleaning. The macro \ldf@finish takes care for setting the main language to be switched on at \begin{document} and resetting the category code of @ to its original value. \loadlocalcfg is redefined locally in order not to load any .cfg file for French.

```

2024 \FBclean@on@exit
2025 \let\FB@llc\loadlocalcfg
2026 \let\loadlocalcfg@gobble
2027 \ldf@finish\CurrentOption
2028 \let\loadlocalcfg\FB@llc

```

## 2.16 Files frenchb.ldf, francais.ldf, canadien.ldf and acadian.ldf

Babel now expects a *<lang>.ldf* file for each *<lang>*. So we create portmanteau .ldf files for options canadien, francais, frenchb and acadian. These files themselves only load french.ldf which does the real work. Warn users about options canadien, frenchb and francais being deprecated and force recommended options acadian or french.

```

2029 {*canadien}
2030 \PackageWarning{canadien}%
2031 {Option 'canadien' for Babel is *deprecated*,\MessageBreak
2032 it might be removed sooner or later. Please\MessageBreak
2033 use 'acadian' instead; reported}%
2034 \let\l@canadien\l@acadian
2035 \def\CurrentOption{acadian}
2036 {/canadien}
2037 {*francais}
2038 \PackageWarning{francais}%
2039 {Option 'francais' for Babel is *deprecated*,\MessageBreak
2040 it might be removed sooner or later. Please\MessageBreak
2041 use 'french' instead; reported}%
2042 \let\l@francais\l@french
2043 \def\CurrentOption{french}
2044 {/francais}

```

Compatibility code for babel pre-3.13: frenchb.ldf could be loaded with options acadian, canadien, frenchb or francais.

```

2045 {*frenchb}
2046 \def\bbl@tempa{frenchb}
2047 \ifx\CurrentOption\bbl@tempa
2048 \let\l@frenchb\l@french
2049 \def\CurrentOption{french}
2050 \PackageWarning{babel-french}%
2051 {Option 'frenchb' for Babel is *deprecated*,\MessageBreak
2052 it might be removed sooner or later. Please\MessageBreak
2053 use 'french' instead; reported}
2054 \else
2055 \def\bbl@tempa{francais}
2056 \ifx\CurrentOption\bbl@tempa
2057 \let\l@francais\l@french
2058 \def\CurrentOption{french}

```

Plain formats: no warning when francais.sty loads frenchb.ldf (babel pre-3.13).

```
2059 \ifx\magnification@undefined
```

```
2060      \PackageWarning{babel-french}%
2061          {Option 'francais' for Babel is *deprecated*,\MessageBreak
2062              it might be removed sooner or later. Please\MessageBreak
2063              use 'french' instead; reported}%
2064      \fi
2065  \else
2066      \def\bbl@tempa{canadien}
2067      \ifx\CurrentOption\bbl@tempa
2068          \let\l@canadien\l@acadian
2069          \def\CurrentOption{acadian}
2070          \PackageWarning{babel-french}%
2071              {Option 'canadien' for Babel is *deprecated*,\MessageBreak
2072                  it might be removed sooner or later. Please\MessageBreak
2073                  use 'acadian' instead; reported}
2074      \fi
2075  \fi
2076 \fi
2077 </frenchb>
2078 {acadian | canadien | frenchb | francais}\input french.ldf\relax
```

### 3 Change History

Changes are listed in reverse order (latest first) and limited to babel-french v3.

<b>v3.3d</b>	frenchb.lua: In default mode, for `:' only, check if next node is a glyph or not. If it is, turn the ‘auto’ flag to false (avoids spurious spaces in URLs, MSDOS paths or 10:35). . .	21	\FBguillspace: Skip \FBguillskip for LuaTeX replaced by toks \FBguillsp. . . . .	32
<b>v3.3c</b>	General: LaTeX 2017-04-15 defines TU encoding for Unicode engines, fontspec is no longer required. . .	62	\FBthinspace: Skips \FBcolonskip and \FBthinskip replaced by toks \FBcolonsp and \FBthinsp. . .	17
	New command \FBthousandsep to customise numprint. . . . .	42	\frenchsetup: \frenchbsetup is now an alias for \frenchsetup. . .	49
	New configurable kerns \FBmedkern, and \FBthickkern suitable for HTML translation. . .	38	Options INGuillSpace, ThinColonSPace no longer delayed AtBeginDocument. . . . .	49
	Reorganise warnings when the caption, subcaption or floatrow packages are loaded before babel/french. . . . .	46	\frquote: \FB@quotespace (kern), changed into \FB@guillspace. . .	34
	Reset \localleftbox locally inside \@makefntext. Needed by \frquote with LuaTeX. . . . .	70		
	frenchb.lua: Function ‘get_glue’ robustified. ‘french_punctuation’ can insert Unicode characters instead of glues. . . . .	18		
	\frenchsetup: New option ‘UnicodeNoBreakSpaces’ for html translators (LuaLaTeX only). . . . .	54		
<b>v3.3b</b>	General: Generate portmanteau files acadian.ldf, canadien.ldf, frenchb.ldf, and francais.ldf and warn about deprecated options. . . . .	72		
	New ‘if’ \ifFBfrench to replace \iflanguage test which is based on patterns. . . . .	15		
<b>v3.3a</b>	General: Compatibility code for pre 2015/10/01 LaTeX release removed, see lnews23.tex. . . . .	17		
	\captionsfrench: Commands \frenchpartfirst, \frenchpartsecond and \frenchpartnameord added. . . . .	42	\frenchsetup: Minimal list customisation when beamerarticle.sty is loaded. . . . .	50
			Warn when wrong values are provided to options EveryParGuill or EveryLineGuill. . . . .	53
			\frquote: Default options of \frquote are no longer engine-dependent. . . . .	34
<b>v3.2f</b>	\DecimalMathComma: Fixed conflict with the icomma package. . . . .	40		

<b>v3.2e</b>	frenchb.lua: glue_spec removed; starting with LuaTeX 0.95, glue specifications fit in glue. ....	20
General: Add missing redefinitions for \leftmarginv, \leftmarginvi.		
Suggested by J.F. Burnol. ....	64	
<b>\DecimalMathComma:</b>		
\DecimalMathComma didn't work with LuaTeX. Fixed now. ....	40	
<b>v3.2d</b>		
\descriptionFB: Changed \listindentFB to \descindentFB which defaults to \listindentFB. \leftmargini reduced when \descindentFB is null. ....	66	
<b>v3.2c</b>		
General: New LuaTeX attribute \FB@spacing. ....	17	
Newif \ifFB@spacing and new commands \FB@spacingon, \FB@spacingoff to control space tuning in French. ....	17	
Switch \ifFB@spacing added to the four French shorthands. ....	29	
\FB@xetex@punct@french: Switch \ifFB@spacing added to all \XeTeXinterchartoks commands. ....	27	
\FBthinspace: Change .16667em to .5\fontdimen2\font to get in XeTeX and pdfTeX the same spacing as in LuaTeX. ....	17	
\frenchsetup: Add a warning about options og/fg for old XeTeX or LuaTeX engines requiring active characters. ....	55	
\NoAutoSpacing: New definition based on \FB@spacing@off common to all engines. ....	31	
\ttfamilyFB: New definitions of \ttfamilyFB and co, common to all engines, based on \FB@spacing@off and \FB@spacing@on. ....	31	
<b>v3.2b</b>		
General: Load l luatex.tex for plain LuaTeX to ensure \newattribute is defined. ....	17	
Warning added when the subcaption package is loaded before babel/french. ....	46	
<b>v3.2a</b>		
\makefntextFB: beamer.cls requires a specific definition of \makefntextFB (pointed out by DB). The same is true for memoir and koma-script classes (done)....	68	
\fg: \xspace moved from \FB@fg to \fg: \xspace messes up \frquote, pointed out by Sonia Labetoule. As a side effect \xspace is now active in \fg in and outside French. ....	33	
<b>v3.1m</b>		
frenchb.lua: new_glue_scaled returns nil in case of invalid font table (i.e. Icircle1.pfb). In such cases frenchb leaves the node list unchanged. ....	20	
<b>v3.1l</b>		
General: Add a variant of \babel@savevariable to save \XeTeXcharclass(es) in a loop. ....	26	
frenchb.lua: font.getfont(fid) possibly returns nil even for a positive fid (i.e. AMS Icircle1.pfb). Reported by François Legendre. ....	20	
\FB@luatex@punct@french: Use \babel@save to save and restore \shorthand and \shorthandoff. ....	25	
\FB@xetex@punct@french: Save and restore \XeTeXinterchartokenstate, \shorthand, \shorthandoff using \babel@savevariable and \babel@save,		
\XeTeXcharclass(es) using \FB@savevariable@loop. ....	27	
<b>v3.1k</b>		
General: (pdfTeX shorthands) test on \lastskip changed from Opt to		

1sp for active punctuation for consistency with XeTeX and LuaTeX. ....	29	flag addgl set to false for '»' at the beginning of an \hbox or a paragraph or a tabular 'l' and 'c' columns. ....	23
\FB@xetex@punct@french: Thin glues (less than 1sp) should not trigger space insertion before high punctuation. Add a check on \lastskip. ....	27	Node HLIST added; node TEMP added for the first node of \hboxes. ....	19
<b>v3.1j</b>		\captionsfrench: \partname's definition depends now on flag PartNameFull. No need to redefine it in \frenchbsetup. ....	42
General: Loading luatexbase.sty is no longer needed with LaTeX release 2015/10/01 or later. ....	17	Bug fix for koma-scripts classes: a spurious dot was added by the \partformat command. ....	44
\frquote: \fr@quote completely rewritten: \leavevmode added and explicitly save/restore \everypar and \localleftbox instead of using a group in order to ensure compatibility with package wrapfig. ....	34	\frenchbsetup: PartNameFull now just sets the flag, nothing to add to \captionsfrench when false. ....	49
\PackageWarning is undefined in Plain, use \fb@warning instead.	34		
<b>v3.1i</b>		<b>v3.1f</b>	
General: \nombre command changed when numprint.sty is not loaded: only one warning, no error. ....	42	General: \FBCaption@Separator changed when option CustomiseFigTabCaptions is set to false. ....	46
Remove restriction about loading numprint.sty after babel. ....	48	\FBprocess@options: Bug fix for the beamer class: figure and table captions are now consistent with frenchb's documentation. Pointed out by Denis Bitouzé. ....	59
\frquote: \luatexlocalleftbox changed to \localleftbox by new LaTeX release 2015/10/01. ....	34	Definition of \captionformat and \captiondelim changed when option CustomiseFigTabCaptions is set to false. ....	59
<b>v3.1h</b>		\FBthinspace: \FBthinspace is no longer a kern but a skip (frenchb adds a nobreak penalty before it). ....	17
General: french.cfg from e-french conflicts with frenchb. Do NOT load it (no need for .cfg files with frenchb anyway). ....	71	<b>v3.1e</b>	
<b>v3.1g</b>		\frenchbsetup: Corrected typo: SmallCapsFigTabcaptions instead of SmallCapsFigTabCaptions. Pointed out by Céline Chevalier. ....	49
General: Lua function french_punctuation is now inserted at the end of the 'kerning' callback (no priority) instead of 'hpack_filter' and 'pre_linebreak_filter'. ....	25	<b>v3.1d</b>	
Use Babel defined loops \bbl@for instead of \@for borrowed from file ltcntrl.dtx (\@for is undefined in Plain). ....	26	General: New section: issue warnings if packages listings, numprint and natbib are loaded too early or too late vs babel. ....	48
frenchb.lua: Flag addgl set to false for '«' at the end of an \hbox or a paragraph or when followed by a null glue (i.e. springs). ....	23	<b>v3.1c</b>	
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