# THE EXSHEETS BUNDLE 

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the packages ExSheets, tasks, translations and cntformats or
Yet another package for the creation of exercise sheets and exams.

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ExSheets provides means to create exercises or questions and their corresponding solutions. The questions can be divided into classes and can be printed selectively. Meta-data to questions can be added and recovered. The solutions may be printed where they are, can be collected and printed at a later point in the document alltogether or section-wise or selectively by id. ExSheets provides a comprehensive interface for styling the headings of questions and solutions.
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## Part I

## Preliminary

## 1 Licence and Requirements

ExSheets is placed under the terms of the ETEX Project Public License, version 1.3 or later (http://www.latex-project.org/lppl.txt). It has the status "maintained."

ExSHEETS loads and needs the following packages: I3kernel, xparse, ${ }^{1}$ xtemplate, ${ }^{2} I_{3}$ sort, ${ }^{3}$ $I_{3}$ keys $2 e,{ }^{4}$ xcolor, ${ }^{5}$ ulem, ${ }^{6}$ etoolbox, ${ }^{7}$ environ, ${ }^{8}$ and pgfcore. ${ }^{9}$ ExSheets calls \normalem (from the ulem package).

## 2 Motivation

There are already quite a number of packages that allow the creation of exercise sheets or written exams. Just to name the most common ones: eqexam [Sto11], exam [Hir11], examdesign [Aleo1], exercise [Pic12], probsoln [Tal12], answers [Pif1o], esami [MV13], exsol [Dae13] (and many more ${ }^{10}$ ).

One thing I missed in all packages that I've tried out ${ }^{11}$ was a high flexibility in choosing which questions and solutions should be printed, where which solutions should be printed and so on, combined with the possibility to assign questions to different classes so one could for example create two versions of an exam out of the box. And - I can't get enough - I also want to be able to use/design different layouts for questions additional to a standard section-like format. All these points are realized in ExSheets.

Additionally one should be able to assign some sort of meta-data to questions that of course should be easily reusable. How this can be done is explained in section 13.

Then there is - at least in Germany - the habit of having lists of exercises aligned in columns but counting from the left to the right instead from up to down. ExSHEETs provides a possibility

[^0]for that (see part III). I am not quite content with it as it works now, though. ${ }^{12}$
On the other hand ExSheets doesn't - and probably won't - offer a real possibility for creating multiple choice questions. As a fact it doesn't provide many (if any) means to specify the type of question or the structure. If these are your needs take a look at examdesign [Aleor], for example. Or exploit the possibilities enumitem ${ }^{13}$ [Bez11] gives you.

I had the idea for this package in 2008. Back then my $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}$ skills were by far not good enough to write it. Actually, even today I wouldn't have been able to realize it without all the $l_{3}$ packages like I I ${ }_{3}$ kernel and I I packages. I actively began to develop ExSheets in spring 2011 but it wasn't until now (September 2012) that I consider it stable enough for wider usage. At the time of writing (June 28, 2013) there still are probably lots of rough edges let alone bugs so I am very interested in all kinds of feedback.

## 3 Additional Packages

ExSheets actually bundles four packages: ExSheets, tasks, translations and cntformats. tasks is described in part III, translations is described in part IV and cntformats in part V . These packages provide functionality that is used by ExSheets. They can, however, be used independently from ExSheets.

The packages translations and cntformats both aren't really useful on a user-level but maybe for package writers.

## 4 Installation and Documentation

If you install ExSheets manually beware to put the files

```
exsheets_headings.def
exsheets_headings.cfg
```

in the same directory as the exsheets.sty file. ${ }^{14}$ You can install the other packages, TASKs, translations and cntformats, in different locations but since they belong to ExSheets they probably should be placed in the same directory.

You should put the file tasks.cfg in the same directory as the tasks.sty file.
As with every manual package installation you need to make sure to put the files in a directory where $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}$ can find them and afterwards update the database.

## 5 News

With version 0.7 there has been a potentially breaking change: the tasks environment previously provided by ExSheets has been extracted into a package of its own. This does not change any syntax per se. However, if you used custom settings then you'll probably run into some

[^1]problems. The options for the environment are no longer set with \SetupExSheets but with \settasks. Also the object that is used for the list template and its instances has been renamed from exsheets-tasks into tasks.

What's probably even more of a breaking change is a syntax difference of the tasks environment: the optional argument for the number of columns is no longer set in braces but parentheses. This is deliberate as it reflects the optional nature of the argument better and is consistent with the syntax of $\backslash N e w T a s k s$, too.

Additionally the labels of the list got an additional offset of lex from the items which will lead to slightly different output. In some cases this might actually lead to the most annoying changes. In this case say \settasks\{label-offset=0pt $\}$ which should cure things again.

I am very sorry for any inconvenience! I am trying to keep such changes as minimal and rare as possibly. However, it is not always avoidable when a package is new and still a child. It will grow up eventually.

ExSheets' other packages - tasks, translations and cntformats - have gotten their own documentation which are essentially extracted from this very document you're reading now. They still will be documented in the main documentation (this document), though. Right now (April 25th 2013) the separate documentations do not contain much more information than is written here but they might, in time, get more details about the corresponding package.

## 6 Thanks

I need to thank the many users who gave me feedback so far! For one thing this shows me that ExSheets is useful to people. It also led to many improvements like new features and countless bug fixes.

## Part II

## The ExSheets package

## 7 Setup

The ExSheets package has three different types of options, kind of. The first type are the classic package options which are used when you load ExSheets:

```
\usepackage[<options>]{exsheets}
```

These options are described in section 8.
The second type are options that belong to a specific environment or command. These options are either used directly with the environment/command

```
\begin{env}[<options>]
\end{env}
```

or can be set with the setup command:

```
- \SetupExSheets[<module>] {<options>}
```

The options of the second type all belong to modules. Let's say you want to specify some options of the question environment. You can then say the following:

```
\SetupExSheets[question]{option1,option2=value2}
% or:
\SetupExSheets{question/option1,question/option2=value2}
```

The module an option belongs to is written in the left margin next to the when the option is described.

The third type aren't options at all, actually. However, thanks to the great xtemplate package you are able to define your own instances of some of the objects used by ExSheets. This is explained in a little more detail in part 19 on page 32 ff . This third type, however, brings in a possible instability: the xtemplate package is in an experimental and developping state. This means that the sytax of the package may and possibly will change sometime in the future. I cannot foresee what any consequences of that will be for ExSheets.

## 8 Package Options

The package ExSheets has some options, namely the following ones:

- color = <colour>

Default: exsheetsblue
A custom colour that is used in certain but very rare circumstances.

- counter-format = <counter-format> Default:qu.

Formatting of the counter of the questions. This option takes a special kind of string that is described in section 9.5 .
counter-within = <counter>
Resets the question counter with every step of <counter>.

- auto-label = true|false

Default: false
If set to true ExSheets will automatically place a \label \{qu:<id>\} for each question. It will also create the question properties ref and pageref, see section 13 for more on this.

- headings = <instance>

Default: block
Choose the style of the questions' and solutions' headings. There are two predefined styles: block and runin.

- headings-format = <code>

Default: \normalsize\bfseries
This code is placed immediately before the headings of the questions and solutions.

- load-headings = true|false Default: false

Loads additional styles for the headings. More on this is described in section 19.2.

- load-tasks = truelfalse

Default: false
Loads additional styles for the tasks environment. See part III.

- totoc = true|false Default: false

This option adds the questions and solutions with their names and numbers to the table of contents.

- questions-totoc = true|false

Default: false
This option adds the questions with their names and numbers to the table of contents.

- solutions-totoc = true|false Default: false

This option adds the solutions with their names and numbers to the table of contents.

- toc-level = <toc level>

Default: subsection
This option sets the level in which questions and solutions should appear in the table of contents.

- questions-toc-level = <toc level> Default: subsection

This option sets the level in which questions should appear in the table of contents.

- solutions-toc-level = <toc level>

Default: subsection
This option sets the level in which solutions should appear in the table of contents.

- use-ref = true|false Default: false
enable referencing to sections and chapters in a way that the references can be used with \printsolutions, see section 11.2 for details.

The toc options are demonstrated with section VI and the solutions printed there being listed in the table of contents.

## 9 Create Questions/Exercises and their Solutions

Now, let's start with the most important part: the questions and (possibly) their respective solutions.

### 9.1 The question Environment

Questions are written inside the question environment:

- \begin\{question\}[<options>]\{<points>\} ... \end\{question\} }


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```
\begin{question}
    This is our very first very difficult to solve question!
\end{question}
```


## Exercise 1.

This is our very first very difficult to solve question!

As you can see a heading is automatically created and the question is numbered. You can of course change both the numbering and the naming, but more on that later.

The question environment takes an optional argument \{<points>\} that can be used to assign points to the question (as is common in written exams):

```
\begin{question}{3}
    This is our first difficult question that is worth 3 points!
\end{question}
```

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Exercise } 2 . & 3 P \text { P. } \\ \text { This is our first difficult question that is worth } 3 \text { points! }\end{array}$

These points are saved internally (see section 10 for reasons why) and are written to the right margin next to the question heading in the default setting.

You can also assign bonus points by inserting <point>+<bonus points> as argument.

```
\begin{question}{1+1}
This question is worth 1 point and 1 bonus point.
\end{question}
\begin{question}{+3}
    This question is a bonus question. It is worth 3 bonus points.
\end{question}
```


## Exercise 3.

This question is worth 1 point and 1 bonus point.

## Exercise 4.

This question is a bonus question. It is worth 3 bonus points.

Introduced in version o. 3

On additional thing: you might want to define custom commands that should behave differently if they're inside or outside of the question environment. In this case you can use these commands:
$\triangleright \backslash$ IfInsideQuestionTF\{<true code>\}\{<false code>\}
$\triangleright$ IIfInsideQuestionT\{<true code>\}
$\triangleright \backslash I f I n s i d e Q u e s t i o n F\{<f a l s e ~ c o d e>\}$

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### 9.2 Options to the question Environment

The question environment takes one or more of the following options:

```
question type = exam|exercise
    Default: exercise
    determines the type of question and changes the default name of a question from "Exercise" to
    "Question". These default names are language dependent.
    If you use \usepackage[ngerman]{babel}, for example, then the names are "Übung and
    "Aufgabe".
question name = <name> (initially empty)
    sets a custom name. All predefined names are discarded.
question print = true|false Default: true
prints or hides the question.
question \ ID = <id> (initially empty)
    assigns a custom ID to the question. See section 11.3 for further information.
question \ label = <label>}\quad\mathrm{ (initially empty)
Places a \label{<label>} for the question. This will overwrite any label that is placed by the
auto-label option.
question \ class = <class> (initially empty)
    assigns a class to the question. See section 12.1 for further information.
question \ topic = <topic> (initially empty)
    assigns a topic to the question. See section 12.2 for further information.
question use = true|false
    Default: true
    discards the question. Or not.
```

```
\begin{question}[type=exam]
    This question has the type \texttt{exam}. The default name has changed
    from
    "'Exercise'` to "'Question''.
\end{question}
\begin{question}[name=Fancy name]
    This question has a custom name.
\end{question}
\begin{question}[print=false]
This question is not printed.
\end{question}
```


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## Question 5.

This question has the type exam. The default name has changed from "Exercise" to "Question".

## Fancy name 6.

This question has a custom name.
The difference between print and use lies behind the scenes: with print = false the question is not printed, but it still gets an individual ID, is numbered, and a possible solution is saved. This is for example useful when you want to print a sample solution for an exam. With use $=$ false it is fully discarded which means it is not accessible through an ID and a possible solution will not be saved.

### 9.3 The solution Environment

If you want to save/print (more on the exact usage in section 11) a solution you have to use the solution environment after the question it belongs to and before the next question.

- \begin\{solution\}[<options>] ... \end\{solution\} }

```
\begin{question}[ID=first]\label{qu:question_with_solution}
    This is our first question that gets a solution!
\end{question}
\begin{solution}
    This is the solution to exercise~\ref{qu:question_with_solution}!
\end{solution}
```


## Exercise 8.

This is our first question that gets a solution!

You can see that in the default settings the solution is not written to the document. It has been saved, though, for possible later usage. We will see the solution later!

### 9.4 Options to the solution Environment

The solutions environment also has options, namely these:

| solution name $=$ <name> <br> sets a custom name. | (initially empty) |
| :--- | :--- |
| solution print $=\underline{\text { true } \mid \text { false }}$prints or hides the solution. <br> Their meaning is the same as those for the question environment. | Default: false |

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```
\begin{question}{5}
The solution to this questions gets printed where it is.
\end{question}
\begin{solution}[print]
    See? This solution gets printed where you have put it in the code of
    your document.
\end{solution}
\begin{question}{2.5}
    The solution to this questions gets printed where it is \emph{and}
    has a fancy name. Have you noticed that you can assign partial
    points?
\end{question}
\begin{solution}[print,name=Fancy name]
    See? This solution gets printed where you have put it and has a fancy
    name!
\end{solution}
```


## Exercise 9.

The solution to this questions gets printed where it is.

## Solution 9.

See? This solution gets printed where you have put it in the code of your document.

## Exercise 10.

The solution to this questions gets printed where it is and has a fancy name. Have you noticed that you can assign partial points?

Fancy name 10.
See? This solution gets printed where you have put it and has a fancy name!

### 9.5 Setting the Counter

The package option counter-format allows you to specify how the question counter is formatted.

The input is an arbitrary string which means you can have anything as counter number. However, the letter combinations ch, se, qu and tsk are replaced with the counters for the chapter, section, question or tasks (see part III), respectively. While the last one is not really useful in this case the others allow for a combined numbering. Each of these letter combinations can have an optional argument that specifies the format of the respective counter. 1: \arabic, a: \alph, A: \Alph, r: \roman and R: \Roman.

```
\SetupExSheets{counter-format=Nr~se~(qu[a])}
\begin{question}
    A question with a differently formatted number.
\end{question}
```


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## Exercise $\mathrm{Nr}_{9}(\mathbf{k})$

A question with a differently formatted number.
Since the strings associated with the counters are replaced one has to hide them if they are actually wanted in the counter format. The easiest way would to hide them in braces.

```
\SetupExSheets{counter-format={section}\,se~{question}\,(qu[a])}
\begin{question}
    A question with a yet differently formatted number.
\end{question}
```


## Exercise section 9 question (l)

A question with a yet differently formatted number.

### 9.6 Language Settings

The names of the questions and solutions are language dependent. If you use babel ${ }^{15}$ or polyglossia ${ }^{16}$ ExSheets will adapt to the document language. ExSheets has a number of translations but surely not all! If you miss a language please drop me a line in an email ${ }^{17}$ containing the babel language name and the correct translations for questions (possibly distinguishing between exercises and exam questions) and solutions.

Until I implement it you can add something like this to your preamble (example for Danish) and try if it works:

```
\DeclareTranslation{Danish}{exsheets-exercise-name}
    {\0{}velse}
\DeclareTranslation{Danish}{exsheets-question-name}
    {Opgave}
\DeclareTranslation{Danish}{exsheets-solution-name}
    {Opl\o{}sning}
```

If this isn't working it means that the language you're using is unknown to the TrANSLATIONS package (see part IV). In this case please notify me, too. You then can still use the name options.

## 10 Counting Points

### 10.1 The Commands

You have seen in section 9.1 that you can assign points to a question. If you do so these points are printed into the margin ${ }^{18}$ and are counted internally. But there are additional commands to assign points or bonus points and a number of commands to retrieve the sum of points and/or bonus points.

[^2]- \addpoints*\{<num>\}

This command can be used to add points assigned to subquestions. \addpoints will print the points (with "unit") and add them to the sum of all points, \addpoints* will only add them but print nothing.

- \points*\{<num>\}

This command will only print the points (with "unit") but won't add them to the sum of points.

- \addbonus*\{<num>\}

This command can be used to add bonus points assigned to subquestions. \addbonus will print the points (with "unit") and add them to the sum of all bonus points, \addbonus* will only add them but print nothing.

- \bonus*\{<num>\}

This command will only print the bonus points (with "unit") but won't add them to the sum of bonus points.

- \pointssum*

Prints the sum of all points with or without (starred version) "unit": 63.75 P .

- \currentpointssum*

Prints the current sum of points with or without (starred version) "unit": 11.5 P .

- \bonussum*

Prints the sum of all bonus points with or without (starred version) "unit": $4_{4} \mathrm{P}$.

- \currentbonussum*

Prints the current sum of bonus points with or without (starred version) "unit": ${ }_{4} \mathrm{P}$.

- \totalpoints*
prints the sum of the points and the sum of the bonus points with "unit": $63.75(+4) \mathrm{P}$. The starred version prints the sum of the points without "unit": 63.75 (+4).

The commands \pointssum, \bonussum and \totalpoints need at least two $\mathrm{ET}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}$ runs to get the sum right.

Suppose you have an exercise worth ${ }_{4} \mathrm{P}$. which consists of four questions listed with an enumerate environment that are all worth 1 P . each. You have two possibilities to display and count them:

```
% uses package 'enumitem'
\begin{question}{4}
    \begin{enumerate}[label=\alph*)]
        \item blah (\points{1})
        \item blah (\points{1})
        \item blah (\points{1})
        \item blah (\points{1})
\end{enumerate}
\end{question}
\begin{question}
    \begin{enumerate}[label=\alph*)]
        \item blah (\addpoints{1})
        \item blah (\addpoints{1})
    \item blah (\addpoints{1})
    \item blah (\addpoints{1})
    \end{enumerate}
\end{question}
```

Exercise 13.
4 P .
a) blah (1P.)
b) blah (1P.)
c) blah (1P.)
d) blah (1 P.)
Exercise 14.
a) blah (1P.)
b) blah (1P.)
c) blah ( 1 P .)
d) blah (1 P.)

### 10.2 Options

points - name = <name>
Default: P.
Choose the "unit" for the points. If you like to differentiate between a single point and more than one point you can give a plural ending separated with a slash: name $=$ point/s. This sets also the name of the bonus points.
points name-plural = <plural form of name> (initially empty)
Instead of forming the plural form with an ending to the singular form this option allows to set an extra word for it. This sets also the plural form for the bonus points.
points bonus-name = <name> Default: P.
Choose the "unit" for the bonus points. If you like to differentiate between a single point and more than one point you can give a plural ending separated with a slash: bonus-name $=$ point/s.
points bonus-plural = <plural form of name>
(initially empty)
Instead of forming the plural form with an ending to the singular form this option allows to set an extra word for it.
points use-name $=$ true $\mid$ false Default: true
Don't display the name at all. Or do.
points format $=$ <code> Default: \@firtsofone
Introduced in Format number plus name as a whole. Ideally <code> would end with a command that takes an version 0.9d argument. Else number plus name will be braced.
points number-format = <any code>
(initially empty)
This option allows formatting of the number, e.g. italics: number-format = \textit.

```
points bonus-format = <any code>
                (initially empty)
            This option allows formatting of the number of the bonus points, e.g. italics: bonus-format =
            \textit.
points parse = true|false
                    Default: true
            If set to false the points are not counted and the \totalpoints,\pointssum and \bonussum
            commands won't know their value.
points separate-bonus = true|false Default: false
            This option determines whether points and bonus points each get their own unit when they
            appear together (in the margin or with \totalpoints).
points pre-bonus = <tokens>
Code to be inserted before the bonus points when they follow normal points.
points post-bonus = <tokens> Default: )
Code to be inserted after the bonus points when they follow normal points.
```

```
\SetupExSheets[points]{name=point/s,number-format=\color{red}}
```

\SetupExSheets[points]{name=point/s,number-format=\color{red}}
$$
\begin{question}{1}
\begin{question}{1}
This one's easy so only 1 point can be earned.
This one's easy so only 1 point can be earned.
\end{question}
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{question}{7.5}
\begin{question}{7.5}
    But this one's hard! 7.5 points are in there for you!
    But this one's hard! 7.5 points are in there for you!
\end{question}
$$

```
\end{question}
```


## Exercise 15.

```
1 point
This one's easy so only 1 point can be earned.
```

```
Exercise 16.
```

Exercise 16.
7.5 points
7.5 points
But this one's hard! 7.5 points are in there for you!

```

\section*{11 Printing Solutions}

You have already seen that you can print solutions where they are using the print option. But ExSheets offers you quite more possibilities.

In the next subsections the usage of the command
- \printsolutions[<setting>]
is discussed.
Before we do that a hint: remember that you can set the option print globally:
```

% in the preamble
\SetupExSheets{solution/print=true}

```

Now if you want to typeset some text depending on the option being true or not you can use the following commands:
\(\triangleright \backslash\) PrintSolutionsTF\{<true code>\}\{<false code>\}
\(\triangleright \backslash\) PrintSolutionsT\{<true code>\}
\(\triangleright\) PrintSolutionsF\{<false code>\}
They might come in handy if you want two versions of an exercise sheet, one with the exercises and one with the solutions, and you want to add different titles to these versions, for instance.

\subsection*{11.1 Print all}

The first and easiest usage of \(\backslash\) printsolutions is the following:
```

\printsolutions

```

There is nothing more to say, really. It prints all solutions you have specified except those belonging to a question with option use \(=\) false. Yes, there's one more point: \printsolutions only knows the solutions that have been set before its usage! This is also true for every usage explained in the next sections.
```

\printsolutions

```

\section*{Solution 8.}

This is the solution to exercise 8!

\section*{Solution 9.}

See? This solution gets printed where you have put it in the code of your document.
Fancy name 10.
See? This solution gets printed where you have put it and has a fancy name!

\subsection*{11.2 Print per chapter/section}

\section*{Current chapter/section}

If you are not creating an exercise sheet or an exam but are writing a textbook you maybe want a section at the end of each chapter showing the solution to the exercises presented in that chapter. In this case use the command as follows:
```

\printsolutions[section]
% or
\printsolutions[chapter]

```

Again, this is pretty much self-explaining. The solutions to the questions of the current chapter \({ }^{19}\) or section are printed.
```

$$
\begin{question}
    This is the first and only question in this section.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
    This will be one of a few solutions printed by the following call of
    \cmd{printsolutions}.
\end{solution}
$$
And now:
\printsolutions[section]

```

\section*{Exercise 17.}

This is the first and only question in this section.
And now:

\section*{Solution 17.}

This will be one of a few solutions printed by the following call of \(\backslash\) printsolutions.

\section*{Specific chapter/section}

You can also print only the solutions from chapters or sections other than the current ones. The syntax is fairly easy:
```

\printsolutions[section={1-7,10}]
% the same for chapters:
% \printsolutions[chapter={1-7,10}]

```

Don't forget that \printsolutions cannot know the solutions from section 10 yet. It is just used to demonstrate the syntax. You can also use an open range, e.g. something like
```

\printsolutions[section={-4,10-}]

```

This would print the solutions from sections \(1-4\) and from all sections with number \(10^{20}\) and greater.

\footnotetext{
\({ }^{19}\) Only if the document class you're using has chapters, of course! \({ }^{20}\) Or rather where \value\{section\} is 10 or greater - the actual counter formatting is irrelevant.
}

\section*{11 Printing Solutions}

There is an obvious disadvantage: you have to know the section numbers! But there is a solution: use the package option use-ref \(=\) true. Then you can do something like
```

% in the preamble:
package[use-ref]{exsheets}%somewhereinyourcodeafter\section{Areallycoolsectiontitle}:%somewherelaterinyourcode:\printsolutions[section={-\S{sec:ReallyCool}}]%whichwillprintallsolutionsfromquestionsuptoand%includingthereallycoolsectionundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefined

```

With the package option use-ref \(=\) true each usage of \label will create additional labels (one preceded with exse: and another one with exch:) which store the section number and the chapter number, respectively. These are used internally by two commands \(\backslash S\) and \(\backslash C\) which refer to the section number and the chapter number the label was created in. These commands are only available as arguments of \printsolutions.

Since some packages like the well known hyperref \({ }^{21}\) for example redefine \label use-ref won't work in together with it. In this case don't use use-ref and set \exlabel\{<label>\} instead to remember the section/the chapter number. Its usage is just like \label. So the safest way is as follows:
```

% in the preamble:
package{exsheets}%somewhereinyourcodeafter\section{Areallycoolsectiontitle}:\exlabel{sec:ReallyCool}%somewherelaterinyourcode:\printsolutions[section={-\S{sec:ReallyCool}}]%whichwillprintallsolutionsfromquestionsuptoand%includingthereallycoolsectionundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefinedundefined

```

Please be aware that the labels must be processed in a previous \(\mathrm{ET}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}\) run before \(\backslash \mathrm{S}\) and \(\backslash \mathrm{C}\) can pass them on to \printsolutions.

\subsection*{11.3 Print by ID}

Now comes the best part: you can also print selected solutions! Every question has an id. To see which ID a question has you can call the following command:
- \DebugExSheets\{true|false\}
- \CurrentQuestionID

Introduced in expands to the current question ID (after two expansions).
version o.4a

\footnotetext{
\({ }^{21}\) CTAN: hyperref
}

\section*{11 Printing Solutions}

Let's create some more questions and take a look what this command does:
```

\DebugExSheets{true}
$$
\begin{question}[ID=nice!]
A question with a nice \acs{id}!
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
The solution to the question with the nice \acs{id}.
\end{solution}
$$
$$
\begin{question}{3.75}
    Yet another question. But this time with quarter points!
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
    Yet another solution.
\end{solution}
$$

```

\section*{ID: nice!}

\section*{Exercise 18.}

A question with a nice id!

\section*{ID: 19}

Exercise 19. 3.75 P .

Yet another question. But this time with quarter points!

So now we can call some specific solutions:
```

\printsolutions[byID={first,nice!,10,14}]

```

\section*{Solution 8.}

This is the solution to exercise 8 !
Fancy name 10.
See? This solution gets printed where you have put it and has a fancy name!

\section*{Solution 18.}

The solution to the question with the nice ID.

This makes use of the l3sort package which at the time of writing is still considered experimental. In case you wonder where solution 14 is: question 14 has no solution given.

If you don't want that the solutions are sorted automatically but appear in the order given you can use the option
solution sorted \(=\) true|false
Default: true
Sort solutions given by ID or don't.

\section*{12 Dividing Questions into Classes}

\subsection*{12.1 Using Classes}

For creating different variants of a written exam or different difficulty levels of an exercise sheet it comes in handy if one can assign certain classes to questions and then tell ExSheets only to use one ore more specific classes.
- use-classes \(=\) <list of classes>
(initially empty)
When this option is used only the questions belonging to the specified classes are printed and have their solutions saved.
```

\SetupExSheets{use-classes={A,C}}
$$
\begin{question}[class=A]
    Belonging to class A.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{question}[class=B]
    Belonging to class B.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{question}[class=C]
    Belonging to class C!
\end{question}
$$

```

Questions of classes that are not used are fully discarded. This also means that questions that don't have a class assigned are discarded.

\subsection*{12.2 Using Topics}

Similarly to classes one can assign topics to questions. The usage is practically identical, the semantic meaning is different.
use-topics \(=\) <list of topics> (initially empty)
When this option is used only the questions belonging to the specified topics are printed and have their solutions saved.
```

\SetupExSheets{use-topics={trigonometry}}
$$
\begin{question}[topic=trigonometry]
    A trigonometry question.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{question}[topic=arithmetics]
    A arithmetics question
\end{question}
$$

```

\section*{Exercise 22.}

A trigonometry question.

Questions of topics that are not used are fully discarded. This also means that questions that don't have a topic assigned are discarded.

If you set both use-classes and use-topics then only questions will be used that match both categories.

Ideally one could assign more than one topic to a question but this is not supported yet.

\subsection*{12.3 Own Dividing Concepts}

Introduced in version o. 8

Actually both classes and topics are introduced into ExSHEETS internally this way:
```

\DeclareQuestionClass{class}{classes}
\DeclareQuestionClass{topic}{topics}

```
which means you can do the same introducing your own dividing concepts.
- \DeclareQuestionClass\{<singular name>\}\{<plural name>\}

Introduces a new dividing concept and defines both new options for the question environment and new global options.

For example you could decide you want to group your questions according to their difficulty. You could place the following line in your preamble:
```

\DeclareQuestionClass{difficulty}{difficulties}

```

This would define an option use-difficulties analogous to use-classes and use-topics. It would also define an option difficulty for the question environment. This means you could now do something like the following:
```

```
\SetupExSheets{use-difficulties={easy,hard}}
```

```
\SetupExSheets{use-difficulties={easy,hard}}
\begin{question}[difficulty=easy]
\begin{question}[difficulty=easy]
    An easy question.
    An easy question.
\end{question}
\end{question}
\begin{question}[difficulty=medium]
\begin{question}[difficulty=medium]
    This one's a bit harder.
    This one's a bit harder.
\end{question}
\end{question}
\begin{question}[difficulty=hard]
\begin{question}[difficulty=hard]
Now let's see if you can solve this one.
Now let's see if you can solve this one.
\end{question}
```

```
\end{question}
```

```

\section*{Exercise 23.}

An easy question.

\section*{Exercise 24.}

Now let's see if you can solve this one.

\section*{13 Adding and Using Additional Information to Questions}

For managing lots of questions and corresponding solutions it can be very useful to be able to save and recover additional information to the questions. This is possible with the following commands. First the ones for saving:
- \DeclareQuestionProperty\{<name>\}

This command defines a question property <name>. It can only be used in the document preamble.
- \SetQuestionProperties\{<name>=<value>, . . . \}

Set the properties for a specific question. this command can only be used inside the question environment.

Now the commands for recovering the properties:
- \QuestionNumber\{<id>\}

Recover the number of the question with the ID <id>. The number is displayed according to the format set with counter-format.
- \GetQuestionProperty\{<name>\} \{<id>\}

Recover the property <name> of the question with the id <id>. Of course the property must have been declared before.

Let's say we have declared the properties notes, reference and topic. By default the property points is available and gets the value of the optional argument of the question environment.

We can now do the following:
```

% uses 'biblatex'
$$
\begin{question}[ID=center,topic=LaTeX]{3}
    Explain how you could center text in a \LaTeX\ document.
\SetQuestionProperties{
        topic = \TeX/\LaTeX ,
        notes = {How to center text.},
        reference = {\textcite{companion}}}
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
    To center a short part of the text body one can use the \texttt{center}
    environment (\points{1}). Inside an environment like \texttt{table} one
    should use \texttt{\string\centering} (\points{1}). For single lines
    there is also the \texttt{\string\centerline} command (\points{1}).
\end{solution}
$$
$$
\begin{question}[ID=knuthbooks,topic=LaTeX]{2}
    Name two books by D.\,E.\,Knuth.
    \SetQuestionProperties{
        topic = \TeX/\LaTeX ,
        notes = {Books by Knuth.},
        reference = {\textcite{knuth:ct:a,knuth:ct:b,knuth:ct:c,knuth:ct:d,
        knuth:ct:e}}}
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
    For example two volumes from \citetitle{knuth:ct}:
\citetitle{knuth:ct:a,knuth:ct:b,knuth:ct:c,knuth:ct:d,knuth:ct:e}. Each
        valid
    answer is worth \points{1}
\end{solution}
$$

```

\section*{Exercise 25.}

Explain how you could center text in a \({ }^{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{E} \mathrm{X}\) document.
Exercise 26.
Name two books by D. E. Knuth.

It is now possible to recover these values later:

\section*{13 Adding and Using Additional Information to Questions}
```

% uses 'booktabs'

| \toprule Question | Property |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| \midrule \QuestionNumber{center} | Points | \GetQuestionProperty{points}{center} |
|  | Topic | \GetQuestionProperty{topic}{center} |
|  | References | \GetQuestionProperty{reference}{center} |
|  | Note | \GetQuestionProperty{notes}{center} |
| \midrule \QuestionNumber{knuthbooks} | Points | \GetQuestionProperty{points}{knuthbooks} |
|  | Topic | \GetQuestionProperty{topic}{knuthbooks} |
|  | References | \GetQuestionProperty{reference}{knuthbooks} |
|  | Note | \GetQuestionProperty{notes}{knuthbooks} |
| \bottomrule |  |  |


```
\begin{tabular}{lll}
\hline Question & Property & \\
\hline 25. & Points & 3 \\
& Topic & \(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{E} X / E T_{\mathrm{E}} \mathrm{X}}\) \\
& References & Goossens, Mittelbach, and Samarin [GMS94] \\
& Note & How to center text. \\
\hline 26. & Points & 2 \\
& Topic & \(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{E} X / E T}\) \\
& References & Knuth [Knu84b; Knu86a; Knu86b; Knu86c; Knu86d] \\
& Note & Books by Knuth.
\end{tabular}

Introduced in version 0.7a

Introduced in version 0.3

If you use the package option auto-label the properties ref and pageref are predefined which will call the corresponding \ref or \pageref, respectively.

Please note that these properties are not the same as the dividing concepts explained in section 12 although they may seem similar in meaning or even have the same name.

There are additional commands that might prove useful:
\ForEachQuestion\{<code to be executed for each used question>\}
Inside the argument one can refer to the id of a question with \#1. Beware that this command only knows of questions used before it is issued.
\(\triangleright\) \numberofquestions
Returns the current number of used questions. Beware that this command only knows of questions used before it is issued.
\(\triangleright\) iflastquestion\{<true code>\}\{<false code>\}

Although this command is available in the whole document it is only useful inside \ForEachQuestion. It tells you if the end of the loop is reached or not.

For example one could use these commands to create a grading table:
```

| Question | \ForEachQuestion{\QuestionNumber{#1}\iflastquestion{}{ | }} | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Points | \ForEachQuestion{\GetQuestionProperty{points}{#1}\ iflastquestion{}{ | }} | \pointssum* |
| Reached | \ForEachQuestion{\iflastquestion{}{ | }} |  |

```

For four questions the table now would look similar to figure 1.
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Question & 1. & 2. & 3. & 4. & Total \\
\hline Points & 3 & 5 & 10 & 8 & 26 \\
\hline Reached & & & & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

Figure 1: An example for a grading table. (Actually this is a fake. See the grading-table.tex file shipped with exsheets for the real use case.)

\section*{14 Variations of an Exam}

It is a quite common task to design an exam in two different variants. This is of course possible with ExSheets' classes (see section 12.1). However, often not the whole question is to be different but only small details, the numbers in a maths exam, say. For this purpose ExSheets provides the following commands:
- \SetVariations\{<num>\}

Set the number of different variants. This will determine how many arguments the command Ivary will get. <num> must at least be 2 and is initially set to 2 .
- \variant\{<num>\}

Choose the active variant. The argument must be a number between 1 and the number set with \SetVariations. Initially set to 1.
- \vary\{<variant 1>\}\{<variant 2>\}

This command is the one actually used in the document. It has a number of required arguments equal to the number set with \SetVariations. All of its arguments are discarded except the one specified with \variant.

\section*{\lastvariant}

Introduced in version 0.7b

Each time \vary is called it stores the value it chose in \lastversion. This might be convenient to use if one otherwise would have to repeatedly write the same \vary.
```

\SetVariations{6}%
\variant{6}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)
\variant{1}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)
\variant{5}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)
\variant{2}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)
\variant {4}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)
\variant{3}\vary{A}{B}{C}{D}{E}{F}
(last variant: \lastvariant)

```

F (last variant: F ) A (last variant: A) E (last variant: E) B (last variant: B) D (last variant: D) C (last variant: C)

\section*{15 A Grade Distribution}

Probably this is a rather esoteric feature but it could proof useful in some cases. Suppose you are a German math teacher and want to grade exactly corresponding to the number of points relative to the sum of total points, regardless of how big that might be. You could do something like this to present your grading decisions for the exam:
```

% preamble:
% \DeclareRelGrades{
% 1 = 1 ,
% {1,5} = . }916
% 2 = . 8333 ,
% {2,5} = . 75 ,
% 3 = . 6667 ,
% {3,5} = .5833 ,
% 4 = . 5
% }
\small\setlength\tabcolsep{2pt}

| Punkte | $\grade*{1}$ | $\le\grade*{1}$ | $\le\grade*{1,5}$ | $\le\grade *{2}$ | $\le\grade*{2,5}$ | $\le\grade*{3}$ | $\le\grade*{3,5}$ | $<\grade *{4}$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Note | 1 | 1--2 | 2 | 2--3 | 3 | 3--4 | 4 | 5 |

```
```

| Punkte | 63.75 | $\leq 63.75$ | $\leq 58 \leq 53 \leq 48 \leq 43 \leq 37$ | $<32$ |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Note | 1 | $1-2$ | 2 | $2-3$ | 3 | $3-4$ | 4 | 5 |

```

These are the available commands and options:
- \DeclareRelGrades\{<grade>=<num>, ... \}

This command is used to define grades and assign the percentage of total points to them.
- \grade \(*\) \{<grade \(>\) \}

Gives the number of points corresponding to a grade depending on the value of \(\backslash\) pointssum with or without (starred version) "unit".
```

grades \ round = <num>

```

The number of decimals the points of a grade are rounded to. This doesn't apply to the maximum number of points if the rounded number would be bigger than the actual sum.
grades half = true|false
Default: false
If set to true points are rounded either to full or to half points.

\section*{16 Selectively Include Questions from External Files}

\subsection*{16.1 Caveat}

I need to say some words of caution: the \includequestions that will be presented shortly is probably ExSheets' most experimental one at the time of writing (June 28, 2013). Thanks to feedback of users it is constantly improved and bugs are fixed. It is not a very efficient way to insert question regarding performance and you shouldn't wonder if compilation slows down when you use it. It probably needs to be re-written all over but on the one hand that would introduce new bugs and on the other hand for the time being I don't have the capacities, anyway, so you'll have to live it, I'm afraid.

\subsection*{16.2 How it works}

Suppose you have one or more files with questions prepared to use them as a kind of database. One for class A, say, one for class B, one for class C and so one, something like this:
```

% this is file classA.tex
$$
\begin{question}[class=A,ID=A1,topic=X]
    First question of class A, topic X.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
    First solution of class A.
\end{solution}
$$
$$
\begin{question}[class=A,ID=A2,topic=Y]
    Second question of class A, topic Y.
\end{question}
$$
$$
\begin{solution}
```
```
Second solution of class A.
\end{solution}
$$
% end of file classA.tex
\endinput
```

You can of course just \input or \include it but that would of course include the whole file into your document. But would't it be nice to just include selected questions? Or maybe a five random questions from the file? That is possible with the following command:

  - \includequestions[<options>]\{<list of filenames>\}

If you use it without options it will have the same effect as \input. There are however the following options:
include all = true|false
include IDs $=$ <list of IDs>
(initially empty)
Includes only the specified questions.
include random = <num>
(initially empty)
Includes <num> randomly selected questions. This option uses the pgfcore package to create the pseudo-random numbers.
include exclude $=$ <list of IDs>
(initially empty)
Questions who's ids are specified here are not included. This option can be combined with the random option.

The usage should be self-explainable:

```
% include questions A1, A3 and A4:
\includequestions[IDs={A1,A3,A4}]{classA.tex}
% or include 3 random questions:
\includequestions[random=3]{classA}
```

In order to be able to select the questions ExSheets needs to \input the file twice. The first time the available questions are determined, the second time the selected questions are used. This unfortunately means that anything that is not part of a question or solution is also input twice. Either don't put anything else into the file or use one of the following commands for control:

  - \PrintIfIncludeActiveTF\{<true code>\}\{<false code>\}
  - \PrintIfIncludeActiveT\{<true code>\}
  - \PrintIfIncludeActiveF\{<false code>\}


## 17 Own Question/Solution Pairs

The selection can be refined further by selecting questions belonging to a specific class of questions (see section 12) before using \includequestions.

Introduced in version 0.8

After you've used \includequestions the ids of the included questions is available as an unordered comma separated list in the following macro:

  - \questionsincludedlast

Unordered comma separated list of question ins included with the last usage of \includequestions.

## 17 Own Question/Solution Pairs

Changed in version 0.9

ExSheets provides he possibility to create new environments that behave like the question and solution environments. This would allow, for example, to define a question*/solution* environment pair for bonus questions. The following commands may be used in the document preamble:

  - \NewQuSolPair\{<question>\}[<question options>][<general options>]\{<solution>\}[<solution options>][<general options>]
  - \RenewQuSolPair\{<question>\}[<question options>][<general options>]\{<solution>\}[<solution options>][<general options>]

The standard environments are defined as follows:

```
\NewQuSolPair{question}{solution}
```

Let's say we want the possibility to add bonus questions. A simple way would be to define starred variants that add a star in the margin left to the title:

```
% preamble:
% \NewQuSolPair
% {question*}[name=\protect\llap{$\bigstar$\space}Bonus Question]
% {solution*}[name=\protect\llap{$\bigstar$\space}Solution]
\begin{question*}
This is a bonus question.
\end{question*}
\begin{solution*}[print]
    This is what the solution looks like.
\end{solution*}
```


## Bonus Question 27.

```
This is a bonus question.
```


## Solution 27.

```
This is what the solution looks like.
```

As you can see the environments take the same options as are described for the standard question and solution environments.

## 18 Filling in the Blanks

### 18.1 Cloze

Both in exercise sheets and in exams it is sometimes desirable to be able to create $\qquad$ that have to be filled in. Or maybe some more lines: $\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
\blank*[<options>]\{<text to be filled in>\}
creates a blank in normal text or in a question but fills the text of its argument if inside a solution. If used at the begin of a paragraph $\backslash \mathrm{blank}$ will do two things: it will set the linespread according to an option explained below and will insert \par after the lines. If you don't want that use the starred version.

The options are these:
blank - style $=$ line|wave|dline|dotted|dashed
Default: line
The style of the line. This uses the corresponding command from the ulem package and is the whole reason why ExSheets loads it in the first place.
blank scale $=$ <num>
Default: 1
Scales the width of the blank by factor <num> unless the width is explicitly set.
blank

  - width = <dim>
(initially empty)
The width of the line. If it is not used the width of the filled in text is used.
blank
inespread = <num>


## Default: 1

Set the linespread for the blank lines. This only has an effect if $\backslash \mathrm{blank}$ is used at the begin of a paragraph.

```
\begin{question}
Try to fill in \blank[width=4cm]{these} blanks. All of them
\blank[style=dotted]{are created} by using the \cmd{blank}
    \blank[style=dashed]{command}.
\end{question}
\begin{solution}[print]
    Try to fill in \blank[width=4cm]{these} blanks. All of them
\blank[style=dotted]{are created} by using the \cmd{blank}
\blank[style=dashed]{command}.
\end{solution}
```


## Exercise 28.

Try to fill in __ blanks. All of them ............. by using
the $\backslash$ blank

## Solution 28.

Try to fill in these blanks. All of them are created by using the \blank command.
A number of empty lines are easily created by setting the width option:

```
\blank[width=4.8\linewidth,linespread=1.5]\{\}
```


### 18.2 Vertical Space for answers

When you're creating an exam you might want to add some vertical space where the students can write down their answers. While you can always use \vspace this is not always handy when the space left on the page is less than you want. In this case it would be nice if a) there would be no warning and $b$ ) the rest of the space would be added at the top of the next page. This is what the following command is for:
\examspace*\{<dim>\}
Add space as specified in \{<dim>\}. If the space available on the current page is not enough the rest of the space will be added at the top of the next page. The starred version will silently drop any leftover space instead of adding it to the next page.

## Exercise 29.

What do you think of this feature?

```
\begin{question}
What do you think of this feature?
\examspace{3cm}
\end{question}
This line comes after the space.
```

[^3]
## 19 Styling your Exercise/Exam Sheets

### 19.1 Background

The ExSheets package makes extensive use of ETEX3's coffins ${ }^{22}$ as well as its templates concept. ${ }^{23}$ The latter allows a rather easy extension and customization of some of ExSheets' environments. To be more precise: you can define your own instances for the headings used for questions and solutions and for the tasks environment.

What this package doesn't provide is changing the background of questions or framing them. But this is easily possible using the mdframed ${ }^{24}$ package and its \surroundwithmdframed command.

### 19.2 The exsheets-headings Object

ExSheets defines the object exsheets-headings and one template for it, the 'default' template. The package also defines two instances of this template, the 'block' instance and the 'runin' instance.

```
```

\SetupExSheets{headings=block}

```
```

\SetupExSheets{headings=block}
$$
\begin{question}{1}
\begin{question}{1}
\end{question}
\end{question}
$$
\SetupExSheets{headings=runin}
\SetupExSheets{headings=runin}
$$
\begin{question}{1}
\begin{question}{1}
    a 'runin' heading
    a 'runin' heading
\end{question}
$$

```
```

\end{question}

```
```

    a 'block' heading Exercise 30.
    
### 19.2.1 Available Options

This section only lists the options that can be used when defining an instance of the 'default' template. The following subsections will give loads of examples of their usage. The options are listed in the definition for the template interface:

```
\DeclareTemplateInterface{exsheets-heading}{default}{3}
    {
        % option : type = default
        inline : boolean = false ,
        runin : boolean = false ,
        indent-first : boolean = false
        toc-reversed : boolean = false ,
        vscale : real = 1
        above : length = 2pt
        below : length = 2pt
    main : tokenlist =
```

[^4]```
pre-code : tokenlist =
    post-code : tokenlist =
    title-format : tokenlist =
    title-pre-code : tokenlist =
    title-post-code : tokenlist =
    number-format : tokenlist =
    number-pre-code : tokenlist =
    number-post-code : tokenlist =
    points-format : tokenlist =
    points-pre-code : tokenlist =
    points-post-code : tokenlist =
    join : tokenlist =
    attach : tokenlist =
}
```

Each heading is built with at most four coffins available with the names 'main', 'title', 'number' and 'points'. Those coffins place possibly the whole heading, the title, the question number and the assigned points. The only coffin that's always typeset is the 'main' coffin, which is empty per default.

Coffins can be joined (two become one, the first extends its bounding box to contain the second) using the following syntax:

```
join = coffin1[handle11,handle12]coffin2[handle21,handle22](x-
    offset,y-offset)
```

The syntax for attaching (two become one, the first does not extend its bounding box around the second) is the same.

More on coffin handles is described in the documentation for the xcoffins. Figure 2 briefly demonstrates the available handle pairs.


Figure 2: Available handles for a horizontal coffin.
The following subsections will show all definitions of the instances available with the package option load-headings and how they look. This will hopefully give you enough ideas to create your own instance if you want to have another heading style than the ones available.

Of you use the option load-headings each of the following instances is available through the option headings $=$ <instance>.

The following examples use a sample text defined as follows:

```
\def\s{This is some sample text we will use to create a
    somewhat
    longer text spanning a few lines.}
\def\sample{\s\ \s\par\s}
```

19.2.2 The 'block' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block}{default}
    {
        join = { title[r,B]number[l,B](lex,0pt) },
        attach =
            {
            main[l,vc]title[l,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```

Exercise 32.
A 'block' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.3 The 'runin' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
        number-post-code = \space ,
        attach =
            { main[l,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep,0pt) }
    ,
        join =
            {
            main[r,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]number[l,vc](1ex,0pt)
        }
    }
```

Exercise 33. A 'runin' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.4 The 'simple' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{simple}{default}
    {
        title-format = \normalsize ,
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = ) ,
        attach = { main[l,t]number[l,t](0pt,0pt) } ,
        join =
            {
                number[r,b]title[l,b](1ex,0pt) ;
                main[l,b]points[l,t](lem,0pt)
        }
    }
```


## 34. Exercise

## (1 P.)

A 'simple' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.5 The 'empty' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{empty}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
        above = \parskip ,
        below = \parskip ,
        attach = { main[l,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep
    ,0pt) }
    }
```

An 'empty' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.6 The 'block-rev' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block-rev}{default}
    {
        toc-reversed = true ,
        join = { number[r,B]title[l,B](1ex,0pt) } ,
        attach =
            {
            main[l,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```


## 36. Exercise

A 'block-rev' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.7 The 'block-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block-wp}{default}
    {
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = ) ,
        join =
            {
            title[r,B]number[l,B](1ex,0pt) ;
            title[r,B]points[l,B](1ex,0pt)
        } ,
    attach = { main[l,vc]title[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
}
```

Exercise 37. (1 P.)
A 'block-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.8 The 'block-wp-rev' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block-wp-rev}{default}
    {
```

```
toc-reversed = true ,
    points-pre-code = ( ,
    points-post-code = ) ,
    join =
        {
            number[r,B]title[l,B](1ex,0pt) ;
            number[r,B]points[l,B](1ex,0pt)
        } ,
    attach = { main[l,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
}
```

38. Exercise (1P.)
A 'block-wp-rev' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.9 The 'block-nr' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block-nr}{default}
    {
        attach =
        {
            main[l,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```

39. 
A 'block-nr' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.10 The 'block-nr-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{block-nr-wp}{default}
    {
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = ) ,
    join = { number[r,vc]points[l,vc](lex,0pt) } ,
    attach = { main[l,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
    }
```

40. (1 P.)
A 'block-nr-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.11 The 'runin-rev' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-rev}{default}
    {
        toc-reversed = true ,
        runin = true ,
        title-post-code = \space ,
        attach
        { main[l,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep,0pt) }
    join =
        {
            main[r,vc]number[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]title[l,vc](1ex,0pt)
        }
    }
```

41. Exercise A 'runin-rev' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.12 The 'runin-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-wp}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = )\space ,
        join
            {
            main[r,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]number[l,vc](1ex,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](lex,0pt)
        }
    }
```

Exercise 42. (1P.) A 'runin-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.13 The 'runin-wp-rev' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-wp-rev}{default}
    {
        toc-reversed = true
        runin = true
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = )\space ,
        join
            {
            main[r,vc]number[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]title[l,vc](1ex,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](lex,0pt)
        }
    }
```

43. Exercise (1 P.) A 'runin-wp-rev' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.14 The 'runin-nr' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-nr}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
    number-post-code = \space ,
    attach =
        { main[l,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep,0pt) }
    join = { main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
    }
```

44. A 'runin-nr' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.15 The 'runin-fixed-nr' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-fixed-nr}{default}
    {
        runin = true
        number-pre-code = \hbox to 2em \bgroup ,
        number-post-code = \hfil\egroup ,
        attach =
            { main[l,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep,0pt) }
        join = { main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
    }
```

45. A 'runin-fixed-nr' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.16 The 'runin-nr-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{runin-nr-wp}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = \\space ,
        join
        {
            main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](lex,0pt)
        }
    }
```

46. (1P.) A 'runin-nr-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.17 The 'inline' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{inline}{default}
    {
        inline = true ,
        number-pre-code = \space ,
    number-post-code = \space ,
```

```
    join =
    {
        main[r,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
        main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt)
    }
}
```

Text before Exercise 47. An 'inline' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. Text after

### 19.2.18 The 'inline-wp' Instance

Introduced in version 0.5

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{inline-wp}{default}
    {
        inline = true ,
        number-pre-code = \space ,
        number-post-code = \space ,
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = )\space ,
        join =
        {
            main[r,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](0pt,0pt)
        }
    }
```

Text before Exercise 48. (1P.) An 'inline-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. Text after

### 19.2.19 The 'inline-nr' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{inline-nr}{default}
    {
        inline = true ,
    number-post-code = \space ,
```

```
    join = { main[r,vc]number[l,vc](0pt,0pt) }
}
```

Text before 49. An 'inline-nr' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. Text after

### 19.2.20 The 'centered' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{centered}{default}
    {
        join = { title[r,B]number[l,B](1ex,0pt) } ,
        attach =
        {
            main[hc,vc]title[hc,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```


## Exercise 50.

A 'centered' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.21 The 'centered-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{centered-wp}{default}
    {
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = ) ,
        join =
            {
            title[r,B]number[l,B](1ex,0pt) ;
            title[r,B]points[l,B](1ex,0pt)
        } ,
    attach = { main[hc,vc]title[hc,vc](0pt,0pt) }
    }
```


## Exercise 51. (1P.)

A 'centered-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.22 The 'margin' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{margin}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
    number-post-code = \space ,
    points-pre-code = ( ,
    points-post-code = )\space ,
    join ={ title[r,b]number[l,b](lex,0pt) } ,
    attach =
        {
            main[l,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[l,b]points[r,t](0pt,0pt)
        }
    }
```

Exercise 52. A 'margin' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text (1P.) spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.23 The 'margin-nr' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{margin-nr}{default}
    {
        runin = true ,
        attach =
        {
            main[l,vc]number[r,vc](-1ex,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\linewidth+\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```

53. A 'margin-nr' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.
This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.24 The 'raggedleft' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{raggedleft}{default}
    {
        join = { title[r,B]number[l,B](1ex,0pt) } ,
        attach =
        {
            main[r,vc]title[r,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[r,vc]points[l,vc](\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
    }
```


## Exercise 54. 1P.

A 'raggedleft' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.25 The 'fancy' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{fancy}{default}
    {
        toc-reversed = true ,
        indent-first = true ,
        vscale = 2 ,
        pre-code = \rule{\linewidth}{1pt} ,
        post-code = \rule{\linewidth}{1pt} ,
        title-format = \large\scshape\color{exsheetsred}
        number-format = \large\bfseries\color{exsheetsblue} ,
        points-format = \itshape ,
        join = { number[r,B] title[l,B] (1ex,0pt) },
        attach
            {
            main[hc,vc]number[hc,vc](0pt,0pt) ;
            main[l,vc]points[r,vc](-\marginparsep,0pt)
        }
}
```

A 'fancy' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.2.26 The 'fancy-wp' Instance

```
\DeclareInstance{exsheets-heading}{fancy-wp}{default}
    {
        toc-reversed = true
        indent-first = true
        vscale = 2
        pre-code = \rule{\linewidth}{1pt}
        post-code = \rule{\linewidth}{1pt}
        title-format = \large\scshape\color{exsheetsred}
        number-format = \large\bfseries\color{exsheetsblue}
        points-format = \itshape ,
        points-pre-code = ( ,
        points-post-code = ) ,
        join =
        {
            number[r,B]title[l,B](1ex,0pt) ;
            number[r,B]points[l,B](1ex,0pt)
        } ,
    attach = { main[hc,vc]number[hc,vc](0pt,0pt) }
    }
```

56. Exercise (1P.)
A 'fancy-wp' heading. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines. This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

This is some sample text we will use to create a somewhat longer text spanning a few lines.

### 19.3 Load Custom Configurations

If you have custom configurations you want to be loaded automatically then save them in a file exsheets_configurations.cfg. If this file is present it will be loaded $\backslash$ AtBeginDocument.

## Part III

## The tasks package (vo.9a)

## 20 About the Documentation

The tasks package has got its own documentation - tasks_en. pdf. Please read that file for details on the package.

## Part IV

## The translations package (vo.10)

## 21 About the Documentation

Introduced in version o.9a

Introduced in version 0.5

The translations package has got its own documentation - translations_en.pdf. Please read that file for details on the package.

## Part V

## The CNTFORMATS package (vo.5)

## 22 About the Documentation

The cntformats package has got its own documentation - cntformats_en.pdf. Please read that file for details on the package.

## Part VI

## Appendix

## A List of all Solutions used in this Manual

## Solution 8.

This is the solution to exercise 8 !

## Solution 9.

See? This solution gets printed where you have put it in the code of your document.
Fancy name 10.
See? This solution gets printed where you have put it and has a fancy name!

## Solution 17.

This will be one of a few solutions printed by the following call of $\backslash$ printsolutions.

## Solution 18.

The solution to the question with the nice ID.

## References

## Solution 19.

Yet another solution.

## Solution 25.

To center a short part of the text body one can use the center environment (1P.). Inside an environment like table one should use  (1P.). For single lines there is also the \centerline command (1 P.).

## Solution 26.

For example two volumes from Computers \& Typesetting: $T_{E} X b o o k ; T_{E} X ;$ METAFONTbook; METAFONT; Computer Modern Typefaces. Each valid answer is worth 1 P .

## Solution 27.

This is what the solution looks like.

## Solution 28.

Try to fill in these blanks. All of them are created by using the \blank command.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ CTAN: xparse ${ }^{2}$ CTAN: xtemplate ${ }^{3}$ CTAN: l3sort ${ }^{4}$ CTAN: l3keysze ${ }^{5}$ CTAN xcolor ${ }^{6}$ CTAN: ulem $\quad{ }^{7}$ CTAN: etoolbox ${ }^{8}$ CTAN: environ ${ }^{9}$ CTAN: pgfcore ${ }^{10}$ see http://www.ctan.org/characterization/primary/document-types/exams-exercise-sets-and-answers/ ${ }^{11}$ Well, probably I didn't try hard enough...

[^1]:    ${ }^{12}$ There are still other possibilities, for example take a look here: http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/67966/enumerate-in-multicols or at the multienum package [Kleo5]. ${ }^{13}$ CTAN: enumitem ${ }^{14}$ That is, a directory like texmf-local/tex/latex/exsheets, probably

[^2]:    ${ }^{15}$ CTAN: babel ${ }^{16}$ CTAN: polyglossia ${ }^{17}$ contact@mychemistry.eu ${ }^{18}$ Well, not necessarily. It depends on the heading style you have chosen.

[^3]:    This line comes after the space.

[^4]:    ${ }^{22}$ See the documentation to the xcoffins package for more information on that. ${ }^{23}$ Have a look into the documentation to the xtemplate package. ${ }^{24}$ CTAN: mdframed

