

# The magaz package\*

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This version is just a single tool from a larger body of tools I am unlikely to implement. I wrote this in 1999 in response to a request on `comp.text.tex`.

Features:

- Yes Special formatting for first line of text in a paragraph
- No Special formatting for for first  $n$  lines (allow each different)
- No Also for first character (drop caps) (working together)
- No “Continued on”/“continued from” markers (like `fwlw`)
- No `wrapfig` spanning columns
- No `wrapfig` placed at fixed location on page
- No Integration with `shapepar`
- NO! Piecing together fragments of gallies to fit page (maybe `flowfram`)

## Instructions:

The `\FirstLine` command takes one argument: Some text.

The first line of this text will be formatted according to `\FirstLineFont`; but if the text occupies less than a line, all that text (and no more) will be affected by `\FirstLineFont`. The argument should be ordinary text, not lists and displayed equations. Such things will give you a ‘Bad text’ error.

This command is intended to be used in a replacement for a normal sectioning command in a document class; `\paragraph` would be appropriate. In particular, this `\paragraph` (or whatever) should insert vertical space and penalties etc., and probably `\noindent` at the start of the argument. The document class should also define `\FirstLineFont` appropriately as either a switch or a text-command; as in `\renewcommand\FirstLineFont{\MakeUppercase}`. The default definition performed in `magaz.sty` is `\providecommand\FirstLineFont{\scshape}`.

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