

# The `ifvtex` package

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## Abstract

This package looks for  $\text{\TeX}$ , implements and sets the switches `\ifvtex`, `\ifvtex<mode>`, `\ifvtexgex`. It works with plain or  $\text{\LaTeX}$  formats.

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## 1 Usage

The package `ifvtex` can be used with both plain- $\text{\TeX}$  and  $\text{\LaTeX}$ :

plain- $\text{\TeX}$ : `\input ifvtex.sty`

$\text{\LaTeX}$  2 $\epsilon$ : `\usepackage{ifvtex}`

The package implements switches for  $\text{\TeX}$  and its different modes and interprets `\VTexversion`, `\OpMode`, and `\gexmode`.

<code>\ifvtex</code>
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The package provides the switch `\ifvtex`:

```

\ifvtex
... do things, if VTEX is running ...
\else
... other TEX compiler ...
\fi

```

Users of the package `ifthen` can use the switch as boolean:

```
\boolean{ifvtex}
```

<pre> \ifvtexdvi \ifvtexpdf \ifvtexps \ifvtexhtml </pre>
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VT<sub>E</sub>X knows different output modes that can be asked by these switches.

<pre>\ifvtexgex</pre>
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This switch shows, whether GeX is available.

## 2 Implemenation

### 2.1 Reload check and package identification

```
1 (*package)
```

Reload check, especially if the package is not used with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

```

2 \begingroup
3   \catcode44 12 % ,
4   \catcode45 12 % -
5   \catcode46 12 % .
6   \catcode58 12 % :
7   \catcode64 11 % @
8   \expandafter\let\expandafter\x\csname ver@ifvtex.sty\endcsname
9   \ifcase 0%
10    \ifx\x\relax % plain
11    \else
12      \ifx\x\empty % LaTeX
13      \else
14        1%
15      \fi
16    \fi
17  \else
18    \expandafter\ifx\csname PackageInfo\endcsname\relax
19      \def\x#1#2{%
20        \immediate\write-1{Package #1 Info: #2.}%
21      }%
22    \else
23      \def\x#1#2{\PackageInfo{#1}{#2, stopped}}%
24    \fi
25    \x{ifvtex}{The package is already loaded}%
26  \endgroup
27  \expandafter\endinput
28  \fi
29 \endgroup

```

Package identification:

```

30 \begingroup
31   \catcode40 12 % (
32   \catcode41 12 % )

```

```

33 \catcode44 12 % ,
34 \catcode45 12 % -
35 \catcode46 12 % .
36 \catcode47 12 % /
37 \catcode58 12 % :
38 \catcode64 11 % @
39 \expandafter\ifx\csname ProvidesPackage\endcsname\relax
40   \def\x#1#2#3[#4]{\endgroup
41     \immediate\write-1{Package: #3 #4}%
42     \xdef#1{#4}%
43   }%
44 \else
45   \def\x#1#2[#3]{\endgroup
46     #2[{#3}]%
47     \ifx#1\relax
48       \xdef#1{#3}%
49     \fi
50   }%
51 \fi
52 \expandafter\x\csname ver@ifvtex.sty\endcsname
53 \ProvidesPackage{ifvtex}%
54 [2007/01/10 v1.2 Switches for detecting VTEX and its modes (HO)]

```

## 2.2 Check for previously defined \ifvtex

```

55 \begingroup
56 \expandafter\ifx\csname ifvtex\endcsname\relax
57 \else
58   \edef\i/{\expandafter\string\csname ifvtex\endcsname}%
59   \expandafter\ifx\csname PackageError\endcsname\relax
60     \def\x#1#2{%
61       \edef\z{#2}%
62       \expandafter\errhelp\expandafter{\z}%
63       \errmessage{Package ifvtex Error: #1}%
64     }%
65     \def\y{^^J}%
66     \newlinechar=10 %
67   \else
68     \def\x#1#2{%
69       \PackageError{ifvtex}{#1}{#2}%
70     }%
71     \def\y{\MessageBreak}%
72   \fi
73   \x{Name clash, \i/ is already defined}{%
74     Incompatible versions of \i/ can cause problems,\y
75     therefore package loading is aborted.%
76   }%
77 \endgroup
78 \expandafter\endinput
79 \fi
80 \endgroup

```

## 2.3 \ifvtex

`\ifvtex` Create and set the switch. `\newif` initializes the switch with `\iffalse`.

```

81 \newif\ifvtex
82 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
83 \expandafter\ifx\csname VTEXversion\endcsname\relax
84 \else
85   \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
86   \expandafter\ifx\csname OpMOde\endcsname\relax
87   \else
88     \vtexttrue

```

```

89 \fi
90 \fi

```

## 2.4 Mode and GeX switches

```

91 \newif\ifvtexdvi
92 \newif\ifvtexpdf
93 \newif\ifvtexps
94 \newif\ifvtexhtml
95 \newif\ifvtexgex
96 \ifvtex
97   \ifcase\OpMode\relax
98     \vtexdvitrue
99   \or % 1
100     \vtexpdftrue
101   \or % 2
102     \vtexpstrue
103   \or % 3
104     \vtexpstrue
105   \or\or\or\or\or\or\or % 10
106     \vtexhtmltrue
107   \fi
108   \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
109   \expandafter\ifx\csname gexmode\endcsname\relax
110   \else
111     \ifnum\gexmode>0 %
112       \vtexgextrue
113     \fi
114   \fi
115 \fi

```

## 2.5 Protocol entry

Log comment:

```

116 \begingroup
117   \expandafter\ifx\csname PackageInfo\endcsname\relax
118     \def\x#1#2{%
119       \immediate\write-1{Package #1 Info: #2.}%
120     }%
121   \else
122     \let\x\PackageInfo
123     \expandafter\let\csname on@line\endcsname\empty
124   \fi
125   \x{ifvtex}{%
126     VTeX %
127     \ifvtex
128       in \ifvtexdvi DVI\fi
129       \ifvtexpdf PDF\fi
130       \ifvtexps PS\fi
131       \ifvtexhtml HTML\fi
132       \space mode %
133       with\ifvtexgex\else out\fi\space GeX %
134     \else
135       not %
136     \fi
137     detected%
138   }%
139 \endgroup
140 </package>

```

## 3 Installation

### 3.1 Download

**Package.** This package is available on CTAN<sup>1</sup>:

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/ifvtex.dtx](#) The source file.

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/ifvtex.pdf](#) Documentation.

**Bundle.** All the packages of the bundle ‘oberdiek’ are also available in a TDS compliant ZIP archive. There the packages are already unpacked and the documentation files are generated. The files and directories obey the TDS standard.

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/oberdiek-tds.zip](#)

### 3.2 Bundle installation

**Unpacking.** Unpack the oberdiek-tds.zip in the TDS tree (also known as texmf tree) of your choice. Example (linux):

```
unzip oberdiek-tds.zip -d ~/texmf
```

**Script installation.** Check the directory TDS:scripts/oberdiek/ for scripts that need further installation steps. Package attachfile2 comes with the Perl script pdfatfi.pl that should be installed in such a way that it can be called as pdfatfi. Example (linux):

```
chmod +x scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl
cp scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl /usr/local/bin/
```

### 3.3 Package installation

**Unpacking.** The .dtx file is a self-extracting docstrip archive. The files are extracted by running the .dtx through plain-TeX:

```
tex ifvtex.dtx
```

**TDS.** Now the different files must be moved into the different directories in your installation TDS tree (also known as texmf tree):

```
ifvtex.sty → tex/generic/oberdiek/ifvtex.sty
ifvtex.pdf → doc/latex/oberdiek/ifvtex.pdf
ifvtex.dtx → source/latex/oberdiek/ifvtex.dtx
```

If you have a docstrip.cfg that configures and enables docstrip’s TDS installing feature, then some files can already be in the right place, see the documentation of docstrip.

### 3.4 Refresh file name databases

If your TeX distribution (TeX, mikTeX, ...) relies on file name databases, you must refresh these. For example, TeX users run texhash or mktexlsr.

### 3.5 Some details for the interested

**Attached source.** The PDF documentation on CTAN also includes the .dtx source file. It can be extracted by AcrobatReader 6 or higher. Another option is pdftk, e.g. unpack the file into the current directory:

```
pdftk ifvtex.pdf unpack_files output .
```

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<sup>1</sup><http://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/>

**Unpacking with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.** The .dtx chooses its action depending on the format:

**plain-T<sub>E</sub>X:** Run docstrip and extract the files.

**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X:** Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X for docstrip (really, docstrip does not need L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=y\input{ifvtex.dtx}
```

Do not forget to quote the argument according to the demands of your shell.

**Generating the documentation.** You can use both the .dtx or the .drv to generate the documentation. The process can be configured by the configuration file ltxdoc.cfg. For instance, put this line into this file, if you want to have A4 as paper format:

```
\PassOptionsToClass{a4paper}{article}
```

An example follows how to generate the documentation with pdfL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X:

```
pdflatex ifvtex.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist ifvtex.idx
pdflatex ifvtex.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist ifvtex.idx
pdflatex ifvtex.dtx
```

## 4 History

[2001/09/26 v1.0]

- First public version.

[2006/02/20 v1.1]

- DTX framework.
- Undefined tests changed.

[2007/01/10 v1.2]

- Fix of the \ProvidesPackage description.

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