

The **tabularht** package

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Abstract

This package defines some environments that adds a height specification to tabular and array.

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1 Usage

```
\usepackage{tabularht}
```

The package provides the following environments that extend the tabular/array environment by a height specification as first argument:

- `tabularht`, `tabularht*`
- `arrayht`
- `tabularhtx` (if package `tabularx` is loaded)

The `height` argument allows a length specification, package `calc` is supported if used. This means, the tabular will have the specified height. You can also use the prefixes `to=` and `spread=`. `to=` is the default, `spread=` means, the natural height of the tabular box is changed by the length after `spread=`.

Examples:

```
\begin{tabularht}{1in}           → height is 1in
\begin{tabularht}{to=1in}        → height is 1in
\begin{tabularht}{spread=0pt} → natural height, same as \begin{tabular}
\begin{tabularht}{spread=1in} → natural height increased by 1in
```

Hint: See also package `tabularkv`, it provides an interface, where most parameters for the environments can be given by key-value pairs.

`\interrowspace{...}`

Adds space between table rows. It is essentially the same as `\noalign{\vspace{...}}`.

`\interrowfill`

Short for `\interrowspace{\fill}`

`\interrowstart ... \interrowstop`

Marker commands, useful for option `vlines`.

1.1 Option `vlines`

Warning: This stuff is experimental.

Vertical lines are interrupted, if space is inserted in `\noalign`, `\interrowspace`, `\addlinespace` (`booktabs`), between double `\hlines`. This option tries to detect and add the vertical lines. The lines in a tabular with `tabularht` support (environments of this package) are numbered from left to right. The gap that is controlled by `\interrowspace` or inbetween `\interrowstart` and `\interrowstop` is then filled with the detected vertical lines.

If only a limited selection of the lines should be drawn, the commands know an optional argument with a list of line numbers, e.g.

```
\begin{tabularht}{50mm}{|1|1|}
  Hello & World\\
  \interrowfill[1,3]
  Foo & Bar
\end{tabularht}
```

There are three lines, but the middle line is not drawn in the gap between the first and second row. Zero can be used to suppress all lines:

```
\interrowspace[0]{10mm}
```

The syntax of the commands with the optional argument with the line number list `<list>`. `<list>` is a comma separated list of numbers, `<height>` means the height specification described above with the optional prefixes `to=` or `spread=`.

```
\interrowspace [⟨list⟩] {⟨height⟩}
\interrowfill [⟨list⟩]
\interrowstart [⟨list⟩] ... \interrowstop
```

Option `vlines` is driver dependent and uses ε - \TeX features.

pdftex: pdft \TeX in PDF mode. Here the positions of the lines are written with the help of the `\pdfsavepos` feature into the `.aux` file(s). Therefore you need two La \TeX runs to get the lines.

dvips: Here, PostScript's currentpoint is used to get the line positions. The lines are then drawn at the end of the page. Thus one L \TeX /dvips run is sufficient for this option.

Other drivers:

PostScript drivers: probably possible, an end of page hook would be nice.

V \TeX : with GeX (PostScript interpreter) probably possible.

dvipdfm: no idea. The big problem is, how to get the current position?

1.2 Limitations

- Vertical lines are interrupted by `\noalign{\vfill}`.

1.3 Compatibility

- `array`, `delarray`, `tabularx` are supported.
- There can be problems with packages that redefine `\@array` (or `\@@array`, `\@tabarray`) and `\@arrayrule` (for option `vlines`).
- `colortbl`: it should at least work, but there isn't support for filling the gaps with color, neither the rules nor the backgrounds.

1.4 Examples

1.4.1 Example 1

```
1 <*example1>
2 \documentclass{article}
3 \usepackage{tabularht}
4
5 \begin{document}
6 \fbox{%
7   \begin{tabularht}{1in}{4in}{10{\extracolsep{\fill}}r}%
8     upper left corner & upper right corner\\%
9     \noalign{\vfill}\%\\%
10    \multicolumn{2}{c}{\multicolumn{2}{c}{bounding box}}\\%
11    \noalign{\vfill}\%\\%
12    lower left corner & lower right corner\\%
13  \end{tabularht}%
14 }
15 \end{document}
16 </example1>
```

1.4.2 Example 2

```
17 <*example2>
18 \documentclass{article}
19 \usepackage{booktabs}
20 \usepackage[dvips,vlines]{tabularht}
21
22 \begin{document}
```

```

23
24 \begin{tabularht}{spread=0pt}{|l|l|}
25   \hline
26   First&Line\\%
27   \hline
28 \interrowstart
29   \addlinespace[10mm]%
30 \interrowstop
31   \hline
32   Second&Line\\%
33 \interrowstart
34   \hline
35   \hline
36 \interrowstop
37   Third&Line\\%
38   \hline
39 \interrowspace{10mm}
40   \hline
41   Fourth&Line\\%
42   \hline
43 \end{tabularht}
44
45 \end{document}
46 </example2>

```

2 Implementation

47 <*package>

Package identification.

```

48 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
49 \ProvidesPackage{tabularht}%
50 [2007/04/11 v2.5 Tabular with height specification (HO)]

```

2.1 Environments

```

51 \let\@toarrayheight\@empty
52 \let\tabH@array@init\@empty
53
54 \toks@=%
55   \begingroup
56     \long\def\x{\vcenter\fi\fi\bgroup\#2\sharp\#3\#4\@nil}%
57     \endgroup
58     \gdef\@array[##1]{\#2}%
59       \tabH@array@init
60       \#1%
61       \vcenter\fi\fi
62       \@toarrayheight
63       \bgroup
64         \let\@toarrayheight\@empty
65         \#2\sharp\#3\#4%
66       }%
67     }%
68   \expandafter\x\@array[\#1]{\#2}\@nil
69 }
70 \edef\tabH@patch@array{\the\toks@}
71 \def\tabH@patch@array{%
72   \ifx\@array\@array
73     \def\reserved@a{\let\@array\@array}%
74   \else
75     \let\reserved@a\relax
76   \fi
77   \tabH@patch@array
78   \reserved@a

```

```

79 }
80 \tabH@patch@@array
81
82 \@ifpackageloaded{array}{}{%
83   \AtBeginDocument{%
84     \@ifpackageloaded{array}{}{%
85       \tabH@patch@@array
86     }{}%
87   }%
88 }
89
90 \def\tabH@setheight#1{%
91   \tracingmacros=1
92   \tabH@setheight#1=\@nil
93 }
94 \def\tabH@setheight#1=#2=#3\@nil{%
95   \ifx\#2\#\%
96     \setlength{\dimen@}{#1}%
97     \edef\@toarrayheight{to\the\dimen@}%
98   \else
99     \edef\tabH@temp{\zap@space#1 \empty}%
100    \ifx\tabH@temp\tabH@to
101      \else
102        \ifx\tabH@temp\tabH@spread
103          \else
104            \PackageError{tabularht}{%
105              Unknown height specifier %
106              '\expandafter\strip@prefix\meaning\tabH@temp'%
107            }{%
108              The height dimension for tabular height can be prefixed%
109              \MessageBreak
110              with 'to=' or 'spread=', default is 'to='.%%
111            }%
112            \let\tabH@temp\tabH@to
113          \fi
114        \fi
115        \setlength{\dimen@}{#2}%
116        \edef\@toarrayheight{\tabH@temp\the\dimen@}%
117      \fi
118 }
119 \def\tabH@to{to}
120 \def\tabH@spread{spread}

```

First argument is the height of the table, then the original arguments for tabular follow.

```

121 \newenvironment{tabularht}[1]{%
122   \tabH@setheight{#1}%
123   \tabular
124 }{%
125   \endtabular
126 }
127
128 \newenvironment{tabularht*}[1]{%
129   \tabH@setheight{#1}%
130   \nameuse{tabular*}%
131 }{%
132   \nameuse{endtabular*}%
133 }
134
135 \newenvironment{tabularhtx}[1]{%
136   \tabH@setheight{#1}%
137   \tabularx
138 }{%

```

```

139  \endtabularx
140 }
141
142 \newenvironment{arrayht}[1]{%
143   \tabH@setheight{#1}%
144   \array
145 }{%
146   \endarray
147 }
148
149 \def\interrowspace{%
150   \noalign\bgroup
151   \tabH@interrowspace
152 }
153 \newcommand*\tabH@interrowspace[2][]{%
154   \tabH@vspace{#1}{#2}%
155   \egroup
156 }
157 \def\interrowfill{%
158   \noalign\bgroup
159   \tabH@interrowfill
160 }
161 \newcommand*\tabH@interrowfill[1][]{%
162   \tabH@vspace{#1}{\fill}%
163   \egroup
164 }
165 \def\tabH@vspace#1#2{%
166   \tabH@vspace@start{#1}%
167   \vspace{#2}%
168   \tabH@vspace@stop
169 }
170 \let\tabH@vspace@start\gobble
171 \let\tabH@vspace@stop\empty
172
173 \newcommand*\interrowstart{%
174   \noalign\bgroup
175   \tabH@interrowstart
176 }
177 \newcommand*\tabH@interrowstart[1][]{%
178   \tabH@vspace@start{#1}%
179   \egroup
180 }
181 \newcommand*\interrowstop{%
182   \noalign{\tabH@vspace@stop}%
183 }

```

2.2 Options

```

184 \providemode*{\tabH@driver}{}
185
186 \DeclareOption{vlines}{%
187   \let\tabH@temp\relax
188 }
189 \DeclareOption{pdftex}{}
190 \DeclareOption{dvips}{%
191   \def\tabH@driver{dvips}%
192 }
193 \ProcessOptions*\relax
194
195 \ifx\tabH@temp\relax
196 \else
197   \expandafter\endinput
198 \fi

```

```

199
200 \begingroup
201   \@ifundefined{eTeXversion}{%
202     \PackageError{tabularht}{%
203       Option 'vlines' requires eTeX%
204     }{%
205       Use of eTeX is recommended for LaTeX, see ltnews16.%%
206     }%
207   \endgroup
208   \endinput
209 }{%
210 \endgroup

```

2.3 Option vlines, driver independent stuff

```

211 \begingroup
212   \let\@addtoreset\gobbletwo
213   \newcounter{tabH@unique}%
214 \endgroup
215 \let\tabH@currenttab\empty
216
217 \def\tabH@array@init{%
218   \ifx\@toarrayheight\empty
219     % ignore vertical lines of nested tabular environments
220     \let\tabH@currenttab\empty
221   \else
222     \stepcounter{tabH@unique}%
223     \edef\tabH@currenttab{\the\c@tabH@unique}%
224   \fi
225 }
226
227 \renewcommand*\{@arrayrule}{%
228   \@addtopreamble{%
229     \hskip -.5\arrayrulewidth
230     \ifx\tabH@currenttab\empty
231     \else
232       \tabH@vrule{\tabH@currenttab}%
233     \fi
234     \begingroup
235       \expandafter\ifx\csname CT@arc@\endcsname\relax
236       \else
237         \expandafter\CT@arc@
238       \fi
239       \vline
240     \endgroup
241     \hskip -.5\arrayrulewidth
242   }%
243 }
244 \let\tabH@arrayrule\arrayrule
245 \AtBeginDocument{%
246   \@ifpackageloaded{colortbl}{%
247     \let\@arrayrule\tabH@arrayrule
248   }{%
249 }
250
251 \let\tabH@vrule\gobble

```

2.4 Driver pdftex

```

252 \RequirePackage{ifpdf}
253 \ifpdf
254   \begingroup
255     \@ifundefined{pdfsavepos}{%
256       \PackageError{tabularht}{%

```

```

257      Your pdfTeX is too old%
258  }{%
259      \string\pdfsavepos\space is missing.%
260  }%
261  \endgroup
262  \csname fi\endcsname
263  \endinput
264 }{%
265
266 \let\on@line\@empty
267 \PackageInfo{tabularht}{%
268   Using driver 'pdftex' because of pdfTeX in PDF mode%
269 }%
270 \endgroup
271
272 \protected\def\tabH@vrule#1{%
273   \if@filesw
274     \pdfsavepos
275     \protected@write\@auxout{%
276       \let\tabH@lastxpos\relax
277     }{%
278       \tabH@aux@vrule{#1}{\tabH@lastxpos}%
279     }%
280   \fi
281 }%
282
283 \def\tabH@lastxpos{\the\pdflastxpos}%
284 \def\tabH@lastypos{\the\pdflastypos}%
285
286 % The .aux file contains three commands:
287 % \tabH@aux@vrule{tabular id}{x position}
288 % \tabH@aux@vstart{tabular id}{row id}{x position}{y position}
289 % \tabH@aux@vstop{y position}
290 %
291 \AtBeginDocument{%
292   % The .aux files are read the first time before
293   % \AtBeginDocument and later at \end{document}.
294   % \tabH@aux@done is a marker to distinguish
295   % between these two readings. Only in the first
296   % case we need the \tabH@aux@... commands.
297   \let\tabH@aux@done\@empty
298   \if@filesw
299     \immediate\write\@mainaux{%
300       \percentchar\percentchar BeginProlog: tabularht%
301     }%
302     % items in the aux file are executed,
303     % if tabularht is loaded
304     % and during the aux file read at \begin{document} only
305     \immediate\write\@mainaux{%
306       \detokenize{%
307         % the \tabH@aux@... commands are needed only if
308         % tabularht is loaded with driver pdftex.
309         \@ifundefined{tabH@aux@vrule}\@secondoftwo\@firstofone
310       }%
311         % disable commands except for the first .aux files reading
312         \@ifundefined{tabH@aux@done}\@gobble\@firstofone
313       }%
314     }%
315     \let\tabH@aux@vrule\@gobbletwo
316     \let\tabH@aux@vstart\@gobblefour
317     \let\tabH@aux@vstop\@gobble
318   }%

```

```

319      }%
320      }%
321      \immediate\write\@mainaux{%
322          \percentchar\percentchar EndProlog: tabularht%
323      }%
324      \fi
325  }%
326
327  % the x positions of vrules are stored in
328  % \tabH@<tabcount>list with distinct values
329  \protected\def\tabH@aux@vrule#1#2{%
330      \@ifundefined{tabH@#1list}{%
331          \expandafter\xdef\csname tabH@#1list\endcsname{%
332              \noexpand\do{#2}%
333          }%
334      }{%
335          \begingroup
336              \def\x{#2}%
337              \let\y\undefined
338              \let\do\tabH@do@add
339              \expandafter\xdef\csname tabH@#1list\endcsname{%
340                  \csname tabH@#1list\endcsname\empty
341                  \ifx\y\undefined
342                      \noexpand\do{\x}%
343                  \fi
344              }%
345          \endgroup
346      }%
347  }%
348  \def\tabH@do@add#1{%
349      \ifx\y\undefined
350          \ifnum#1<\x\space
351          \else
352              \expandafter\ifx\csname y\endcsname\relax\fi
353              \ifnum#1>\x\space
354                  \noexpand\do{\x}%
355              \fi
356          \fi
357      \fi
358      \noexpand\do{#1}%
359  }%
360
361  \def\tabH@vspace@start#1{%
362      \if@filesw
363          \stepcounter{tabH@unique}%
364          \edef\tabH@currentrow{\the\c@tabH@unique}%
365          \pdfsavepos
366          \protected@write\auxout{%
367              \let\tabH@lastxpos\relax
368              \let\tabH@lastypos\relax
369          }{%
370              \tabH@aux@vstart{\tabH@currenttab}{\tabH@currentrow}%
371                  {\tabH@lastxpos}{\tabH@lastypos}%
372          }%
373      \fi
374      \begingroup
375          \edef\@a{\tabH@\tabH@currenttab row\tabH@currentrow}%
376          \expandafter\let\expandafter\x\csname\@a x\endcsname
377          \ifx\x\relax
378          \else
379              \expandafter\let\expandafter\y\csname\@a y\endcsname
380              \expandafter\let\expandafter\l

```

```

381     \csname tabH@\tabH@currenttab list\endcsname
382     \ifx\l\relax
383     \else
384         \def\f{\#1}%
385         \ifx\f\empty
386             \let\do\tabH@do@set
387         \else
388             \count@=\z@
389             \let\do\tabH@do@filter
390         \fi
391         \setbox\z@=\hbox{\l}%
392         \wd\z@=\z@
393         \dp\z@=\z@
394         \copy\z@
395     \fi
396 \fi
397 \endgroup
398 }%
399 \def\tabH@vspace@stop{%
400     \if@filesw
401         \pdfsavepos
402         \protected@write\auxout{%
403             \let\tabH@lastpos\relax
404         }{%
405             \tabH@aux@vstop{\tabH@lastpos}%
406         }%
407     \fi
408 }%
409 \def\tabH@do@set#1{%
410     \hbox to \z@{%
411         \hskip \dimexpr #1sp - \x sp\relax
412         \vrule \width\arrayrulewidth
413             \depth\dimexpr \y sp\relax
414         \hss
415     }%
416 }%
417 \def\tabH@do@filter{%
418     \tempswafalse
419     \advance\count@\@ne
420     \for\:=\f\do{%
421         \ifnum\:=\count@
422             \tempswatrue
423         \fi
424     }%
425     \if@tempswa
426         \expandafter\tabH@do@set
427     \else
428         \expandafter@gobble
429     \fi
430 }%
431
432 \protected\def\tabH@aux@vstart#1#2#3#4{%
433     \def\tabH@current@vstart{{#1}{#2}{#3}{#4}}%
434 }%
435 \protected\def\tabH@aux@vstop{%
436     \expandafter\tabH@aux@v\tabH@current@vstart
437 }%
438 \def\tabH@aux@v#1#2#3#4#5{%
439     \expandafter\gdef\csname tabH@#1row#2x\endcsname{#3}%
440     \expandafter\xdef\csname tabH@#1row#2y\endcsname{%
441         \the\numexpr #4 - #5\relax
442     }%

```

```

443  }%
444
445  \csname fi\endcsname
446  \endinput
447
448 \fi

```

2.5 DVI drivers

```

449 \ifx\tabH@driver\@empty
450   \PackageError{tabularht}{%
451     Missing DVI driver, option `vlines' disabled%
452   }%
453   Supported DVI drivers: dvips.%
454 }%
455 \expandafter\endinput
456 \fi
457
458 \def\tabH@driver@dvips{%
459   \def\tabH@literalsps##1{\special{ps:SDict begin ##1 end}}%
460   \def\tabH@headerps##1{\special{! ##1}}%
461 }
462
463 \onelevel@sanitize\tabH@driver
464 \ifundefined{tabH@driver@\tabH@driver}{%
465   \PackageError{tabularht}{%
466     Unsupported driver '\tabH@driver'%
467   }%
468   Supported DVI drivers: dvips.%
469 }%
470 \endinput
471 }{%
472
473 \begingroup
474   \let\on@line\@empty
475   \PackageInfo{tabularht}{%
476     Using driver '\tabH@driver'%
477   }%
478 \endgroup
479 \csname tabH@driver@tabH@driver\endcsname
480
481 \protected\def\tabH@vrule#1#2\vrule#3\arrayrulewidth{%
482   #2% \fi or empty
483   % hack to get rid of maxdrift rounding of dvips,
484   % thus simulate a large motion
485   \kern1in\relax
486   \tabH@literalsps{%
487     #1 tabH.vrule %
488     Resolution neg 0 translate%
489   }%
490   \vrule#3\arrayrulewidth
491   \tabH@literalsps{Resolution 0 translate}%
492   \kern-1in\relax
493 }%
494
495 \def\tabH@vspace@start#1{%
496   \begingroup
497     \let\y\@empty
498     \for\x:=#1\do{%
499       \ifx\y\@empty
500         \edef\y{\x}%
501       \else
502         \edef\y{\y\space\x}%

```

```

503      \fi
504      }%
505      \tabH@literalps{\tabH@currenttab[\y]currentpoint exch pop}%
506 \endgroup
507 }
508 \def\tabH@vspace@stop{%
509   \tabH@literalps{%
510     currentpoint exch pop %
511     \number\dimexpr\arrayrulewidth\relax\space
512     tabH.vspace%
513   }%
514 }
515
516 \tabH@headerps{%
517   userdict begin%
518   /tabH.list 10 dict def%
519   /tabH.job [] def %
520   end%
521   /tabH.vrule{%
522     10 string cvs cvn dup tabH.list exch known{%
523       tabH.list exch dup [ exch tabH.list exch get %
524       currentpoint pop round exch true exch{%
525         % tabH.list key [ ... x true i
526         % tabH.list key [ ... false i
527         exch{%
528           % ... [ ... x i
529           2 copy lt{false}{%
530             2 copy eq{pop false}{exch true}ifelse%
531           }ifelse%
532           }{false}ifelse%
533         }forall %
534         pop%
535         lput%
536       }{%
537         tabH.list exch[currentpoint pop round]put%
538       }ifelse%
539     }bind def%
540   % <tab num> <cols array> <ytop> <ybottom> <rulewidth[sp]>
541   /tabH.vspace{%
542     userdict begin %
543     10 dict dup begin %
544       exch 65536 div Resolution mul 72.27 div %
545       % dvips uses a poor man's ceil function
546       % see dopage.c before "drawrule": (int)(... + 0.9999999)
547       0.9999999 add truncate%
548       /rulewidth exch def %
549       exch/ybottom exch def %
550       exch/ytop exch def %
551       exch/cols exch def %
552       exch/tabkey exch 10 string cvs cvn def %
553     end%
554     /tabH.job exch[exch userdict/tabH.job getaload pop]def %
555   end%
556 }bind def %
557 % Now we do the work at the end of the page.
558 % Unhappily "eop-hook" cannot be used, because "eop"
559 % executes "restore" before, so that all data are lost.
560 TeXDict begin%
561   /eop%
562   [%
563   {%
564     tabH.job{%

```

```

565      begin%
566          /colarray %
567              tabH.list tabkey known{tabH.list tabkey get}{[]}ifelse %
568          def %
569              cols length 0 eq not{%
570                  /colarray[%]
571                      cols{1 sub %
572                          dup 0 lt{pop}{%
573                              dup colarray length ge{pop}{%
574                                  colarray exch get%
575                              }ifelse%
576                          }ifelse%
577                      }forall%
578                  ]def%
579              }if %
580          colarray{%
581              % (rulewidth) == rulewidth == % debug
582              Resolution sub %
583                  ytop rulewidth ytop ybottom sub v%
584              }forall %
585          end%
586      }forall%
587      % tabH.list{== ==}forall % debug
588  }bind aload pop %
589  TeXDict /eop get aload pop%
590  ]cvx def %
591 end%
592 }
593 </package>

```

3 Installation

3.1 Download

Package. This package is available on CTAN¹:

<CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/tabularht.dtx> The source file.

<CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/tabularht.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 `TDSScripts/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/
```

¹<ftp://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/>

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 tabularht.dtx
```

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

<code>tabularht.sty</code>	→ <code>tex/latex/oberdiek/tabularht.sty</code>
<code>tabularht.pdf</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/oberdiek/tabularht.pdf</code>
<code>tabularht-example1.tex</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/oberdiek/tabularht-example1.tex</code>
<code>tabularht-example2.tex</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/oberdiek/tabularht-example2.tex</code>
<code>tabularht.dtx</code>	→ <code>source/latex/oberdiek/tabularht.dtx</code>

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 (`teTeX`, `mikTeX`, ...) relies on file name databases, you must refresh these. For example, `teTeX` 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 tabularht.pdf unpack_files output .
```

Unpacking with L^AT_EX. The `.dtx` chooses its action depending on the format:

plain-`TeX`: Run `docstrip` and extract the files.

L^AT_EX: Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using L^AT_EX for `docstrip` (really, `docstrip` does not need L^AT_EX), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=y\input{tabularht.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^AT_EX:

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

4 History

[2005/09/22 v1.0]

- First public version.

[2005/10/16 v2.0]

- Height specification allows `to=...` or `spread=...`, default is `to=`.
- Option `vlines` added, drivers `pdftex` and `dvi`.
- `\interrowspace`, `\interrowfil`, and `\interrowstart...\\interrowstop` added.

[2005/10/18 v2.1]

- Fix for package `colortbl`, but the colors of `colortbl` remain unsupported.

[2006/02/20 v2.2]

- Code is not changed.
- DTX framework.

[2006/12/22 v2.3]

- Documentation fix.
- Fix in code of option `vlines`.

[2007/03/21 v2.4]

- Fix: Counter `tabh@unique` must not be changed by `\include`.

[2007/04/11 v2.5]

- Line ends sanitized.

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