

The `stdclsdv` package*

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Abstract

The `stdclsdv` package is intended to be used by the authors of \LaTeX packages that need to know about the sectional divisions provided by the document class.

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1 Introduction

Several packages need to know the kind of sectional divisions provided by the document class.

The `stdclsdv` package provides a solution for for the case when the document class is one of the \LaTeX standard classes (i.e., `book`, `report`, `article`, `letter`, `slides`, and classes derived from the `article` class, namely `ltxdoc` and `proc`). It also handles the `koma` classes.¹

This manual is typeset according to the conventions of the \LaTeX `DOC-STRIP` utility which enables the automatic extraction of the \LaTeX macro source files [GMS94].

Section 2 describes the usage of the package. Commented source code for the package is in Section ??.

2 The `stdclsdv` package

The `stdclsdv` package provides several `\if...` macros which can be used to determine the kinds of sectional divisions supported by the current (standard) `\documentclass`.

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The package is designed to work with the standard \LaTeX document classes book, report, article, proc and ltxdoc class (which is based to a large extent on the article class).

`\ifSCDknownclass` `\ifSCDknownclass` is TRUE iff the document class is one of: book, report, article, letter, slides, proc, ltxdoc, scrbook, scrreprt, scrartcl or scrlettr. Otherwise it is FALSE.

`\ifSCDchapter` `\ifSCDchapter` is TRUE iff the document class defines a `\chapter` sectional division, otherwise it is FALSE.

`\ifSCDpart` `\ifSCDpart` is TRUE iff the document class defines a `\part` sectional division, otherwise it is FALSE.

`\ifSCDsection` `\ifSCDsection` is TRUE iff the document class defines a `\section` sectional division, otherwise it is FALSE.

`\ifSCDnodivs` `\ifSCDnodivs` is TRUE iff the document class has neither `\part` nor `\chapter` nor `\section` divisions, otherwise it is FALSE.

`\SCDquit` If the document class or divisioning is not handled by a package, it can be useful to skip all further package code. This could be done using:

```
...
\ifSCDknownclass
  % normal processing
\else % just before end of package file
  % error/warning message about unknown class
\fi
\endinput
```

Alternatively, using the `\SCDQuit` command provides a clearer means of accomplishing this. The `\SCDQuit` macro is defined to do nothing. It is intended to be used for prematurely ending a package file in the following manner:

```
\ifSCDknownclass\else
  \renewcommand{\SCDquit}{\endinput}
  % error/warning message about unknown class
\fi
\SCDquit % ends the file iff the class is unknown
% normal processing
...
\endinput
```

`\SCDCheckCommand` `\SCDCheckCommand` takes the same arguments as `\newcommand`, that is:

`\ifSCDSameDefinition` `\SCDCheckCommand{<command>}[<nargs>][<defarg>]{<definition>}`
`\SCDCheckCommand` is identical to the kernel `\CheckCommand` (see `ltxdefns.dtx`) except that it sets `\ifSCDSameDefinition` to TRUE iff the definition given in `\SCDCheckCommand` is the same as the current definition, otherwise `\ifSCDSameDefinition` is set to FALSE. (`\CheckCommand` issues a warning if the definitions are different).

References

[GMS94] Michel Goossens, Frank Mittelbach, and Alexander Samarin. *The LaTeX Companion*. Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1994.