

The `makecell` package*

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Abstract

This package helps to create common layout for tabular material. The `\thead` command, based on one-column tabular environment, is offered for creation of tabular column heads. This macro allows to support common layout for tabular column heads in whole documentation. Another command, `\makecell`, is offered for creation of multilined tabular cells. There are also command `\makecellbox` command and `mcellbox` environment usage of tabular cells inside text.

Package also offers: 1) macro `\makegapedcells`, which changes vertical spaces around all cells in tabular, like in `tbls` package, but uses code of `array` package. (Macro `\makegapedcells` redefines macro `\@classz` from `array` package. Macro `\nomakegapedcells` cancels this redefinition.); 2) macros `\multirowhead` and `\multirowcell`, which use `\multirow` macro from `multirow` package; 3) numbered rows `\nline` or skipping cells `\eline` in tabulars; also are the skipping rows command `\erows` and repeated rows command `\Xrows`; 4) diagonally divided cells (`\diaghead`) plus citation of sample file of `slashbox` package, which does the same; 5) `\hline` and `\cline` with defined thickness: `\Xhline` and `\Xcline` consequently.

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1 Tabular Cells and Column Heads

1.1 Building Commands

`\makecell` Macro creates one-column tabular with predefined common settings of alignment, spacing and vertical spaces around (see section 1.2). This will be useful for creation of multilined cells. This macro allows optional alignment settings.

```
\makecell[(vertical or/and horizontal alignment)]{(cell text)}
```

For vertical alignment you use `t`, `b`, or `c`—these letters you usually put in optional argument of `tabular` or `array` environments. For horizontal alignment you may use alignment settings like `r`, `l`, or `c`, or more complex, like `{p{3cm}}`. Since this package loads `array` package, you may use such alignment settings like `{>{\parindent1cm}p{3cm}}`.

```
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|}
\hline
Cell text & 28--31\\
\hline
\makecell{Multilined \\ cell text} & 28--31\\
\hline
\makecell[l]{Left aligned \\ cell text} & 37--43\\
\hline
\makecell*[r]{Right aligned \\ cell text} & 37--43\\
\hline
\makecell[b]{Bottom aligned \\ cell text} & 52--58\\
\hline
\makecell*[{p{3cm}}]{Cell long text with predefined width} & 52--58\\
\hline
\makecell[{>{\parindent1em}p{3cm}}]{Cell long...} & 52--58\\
\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Starred form of command, `\makecell*`, creates vertical `\jot` spaces around.

Note. When you define column alignment like `{p{3cm}}` in optional argument of `\makecell` (or `\thead`, see below), please follow these rules: 1) if vertical alignment defined, write column alignment in group, e.g. `[c{p{3cm}}]`; 2) if vertical alignment is absent, write column alignment in double group—`[{p{3cm}}]`, or add empty group—`[{}p{3cm}]`. Be also careful with vertical alignment when you define column alignment as paragraph block: e.g., use `{b{3cm}}` for bottom alignment (and `{m{3cm}}` for centered vertical alignment).

`\thead` Macro creates one-column `tabular` for column heads with predefined common settings (see table 2). This macro uses common layout for column heads: font, alignment, spacing, and vertical spaces around (see section 1.3).

```
\renewcommand\theadset{\def\arraystretch{.85}}%
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|}
\hline
```

Table 1. Example of multilined cells

Cell text	28–31
Multilined cell text	28–31
Left aligned cell text	37–43
Right aligned cell text	37–43
Bottom aligned cell text	52–58
Cell long text with predefined width	52–58
Cell long text with predefined width	52–58

```
\thead{First column head}&
  \thead{Second \\multilined \\ column head}\\
\hline
Left column text & 28--31\\
\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Table 2. Example of column heads

First column head	Second multilined column head
Long left column text	28–31

Starred form of command, `\thead*`, creates vertical `\jot` spaces around.

`\rothead` Creates table heads rotated by 90° counterclockwise. Macro uses the same font and spacing settings as previous one, but column alignment changed to `p{\rotheadsize}` with `\raggedright` justification: in this case left side of all text lines “lies” on one base line.

`\rotheadsize` This parameter defines the width of rotated tabular heads. You may define that like:

```
\setlength\rotheadsize{3cm}
```

or

```
\settowidth\rotheadsize{\theadfont <Widest head text>}
```

like in following example (table 3):

```
\settowidth\rotheadsize{\theadfont Second multilined}
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|}
```

```

\hline
\thead{First column head}&
  \rothead{Second multilined \\ column head}\\
\hline
Left column text & 28--31\\
\hline
\end{tabular}

```

Table 3. Example of rotated column heads

First column head	Second multilined column head
Long left column text	28–31

1.2 Settings For Tabular Cells

This section describes macros, which make layout tuning for multilined cells, created by `\makecell` macro (and also `\multirowcell` and `\rotcell` macros). The `\cellset` macro also is used by `\thead` (`\rothead`, `\multirowthead`) macro.

`\cellset` Spacing settings for cells. Here you could use commands like:

```

\renewcommand\cellset{\renewcommand\arraytretch{1}%
  \setlength\extrarowheight{0pt}}

```

as was defined in current package.

`\cellalign` Default align for cells. Package offers vertical and horizontal centering alignment, it defined like:

```

\renewcommand\cellalign{cc}

```

`\cellgape` Define vertical spaces around `\makecell`, using `\gape` command if necessary. It defined like:

```

\renewcommand\cellgape{}

```

You may define this command like

```

\renewcommand\cellgape{\Gape[1pt]}

```

or

```

\renewcommand\cellgape{\gape[t]}

```

(See also section 2 about `\gape` and `\Gape` command.)

`\cellrotangle` The angle for rotated cells and column heads. The default value 90 (counterclockwise). This value definition is used by both `\rotcell` and `\rothead` macros.

1.3 Settings For Column Heads

This section describes macros, which make layout tuning for tabular column heads, created by `\thead` (`\rothead`, `\multirowthead`) macro.

`\theadfont` Sets a special font for column heads. It could be smaller size

```
\renewcommand\theadfont{\foontesize}
```

as was defined in current package (here we suppose that `\small` command used for tabular contents itself). Next example defines italic shape

```
\renewcommand\theadfont{\itshape}
```

`\theadset` Spacing settings for column heads. Here you could use commands like:

```
\renewcommand\theadset{\renewcommand\arraytretch{1}%  
\setlength\extrarowheight{0pt}}
```

`\theadalign` Default align for tabular column heads. Here also offered centering alignment:

```
\renewcommand\theadalign{cc}
```

`\theadgape` Define vertical spaces around column head (`\thead`), using `\gape` command if necessary. It defined like:

```
\renewcommand\theadgape{\gape}
```

`\rotheadgape` Analogous definition for rotated column heads. Default is absent:

```
\renewcommand\rotheadgape{}
```

2 Changing of Height and Depth of Boxes

Sometimes `tabular` or `array` cells, or some elements in text need a height/depth correction. The `\raisebox` command could help for it, but usage of that macro in these cases, especially inside math, is rather complex. Current package offers the `\gape` macro, which usage is similar to `\smash` macro. The `\gape` macro allows to change height and/or depth of included box with necessary dimension.

`\gape` This macro changes included box by `\jot` value (usually 3pt). It is defined with optional and mandatory arguments, like `\smash` macro, which (re)defined by `amsmath` package. Optional argument sets change of height only (`t`) or depth only (`b`). Mandatory argument includes text.

`\gape[⟨t or b⟩]{⟨text⟩}`

Examples of usage:

`\gape{text}` `\gape[t]{text}` `\gape[b]{text}`

`\Gape` Another way of height/depth modification. This macro allows different correction for height and depth of box:

`\Gape[⟨height corr⟩][⟨depth corr⟩]{⟨text⟩}`

If both arguments absent, `\Gape` command works like `\gape{⟨text⟩}`, in other words, command uses `\jot` as correction value for height and depth of box.

If only one optional argument exists, `\Gape` command uses value from this argument for both height and depth box corrections.

`\Gape{text}` `\Gape[\jot]{text}`
`\Gape[6pt]{text}` `\Gape[6pt][-2pt]{text}`

You may also use `\height` and `\depth` parameters in optional arguments of `\Gape` macro, parameters was borrowed from `\raisebox` command.

`\bottopstrut` These three macros modify standard `\strut` by `\jot` value: `\bottopstrut`
`\topstrut` changes both height and depth; `\topstrut` changes only height; `\botstrut`
`\botstrut` changes only depth. These commands could be useful, for example, in first and last table rows.

Note. If you use `bigstrut` package note that these macros duplicate `\bigstrut`, `\bigstrut[t]`, and `\bigstrut[b]` commands consequently. Please note that value, which increases strut in `\topstrut` etc. equals to `\jot`, but `\bigstrut` and others use a special dimension `\bigstrutjot`.

3 How to Change Vertical Spaces Around Cells in Whole Table

This section describes macros which try to emulate one of possibilities of `tbls` package: to get necessary vertical spacing around cells.

`\setcellgapes` Sets the parameters for vertical spaces:

```
\setcellgapes[t or b]{value}
```

The next examples with `array` and `tabular` use following settings:

```
\setcellgapes{5pt}
```

You may also try to load negative values if you wish. This macro you may put in the preamble as common settings.

`\makegapedcells` The first macro switches on vertical spacing settings. The second cancels first one.
`\nomakegapedcells`

The `\makegapedcells` macro temporarily redefines macro `\@classz` of `array` package, so use this mechanism carefully. Load `\makegapedcells` inside group or inside environment (see table 4):

```
\begin{table}[h]  
\makegapedcells  
...  
\end{table}
```

Please note that space defined in `\setcellgapes` and space which creates `\gape` mechanism in commands for tabular cells (usually `\thead` or `\makecell*`) are summarized.

Table 4. Example of multi-lined cells with additional vertical spaces

Cell text	28-31
Multilined cell text	28-31
Left aligned cell text	37-43
Right aligned cell text	37-43
Bottom aligned cell text	52-58
Cell long text with predefined width	52-58
Cell long text with predefined width	52-58

4 Multirow Table Heads and Cells

The next examples show usage of macros which use `\multirow` command from `multirow` package.

At first goes short repetition of arguments of `\multirow` macro itself:

```
\multirow{<nrow>}[<njot>]{<width>}[<vmove>]{<contents>}
```

`{<nrow>}` sets number of rows (i.e. text lines); `[<njot>]` is mainly used if you've used `bigstrut` package: it makes additional tuning of vertical position (see comments in `multirow` package); `{<width>}` defines width of contents, the `*` sign used to indicate that the text argument's natural width is to be used; `[<vmove>]` is a length used for fine tuning: the text will be raised (or lowered, if `<vmove>` is negative) by that length; `{<contents>}` includes “`\multirow'ed`” text.

`\multirowcell` These two macros use following arguments (example uses `\multirowcell` com-
`\multirowthead` mand):

```
\multirowcell{<nrow>}[<vmove>][<hor alignment>]{<contents>}
```

in these macros were skipped `[<njot>]` and `{<width>}`. Instead of tuning optional argument `[<njot>]` for vertical correction used `[<vmove>]` optional argument. For the `{<width>}` argument both `\multirowcell` and `\multirowthead` macros use natural width of contents (i.e. the `*` argument used).

First example (table 5) with “`\multirow'ed`” column heads and cells:

```
\renewcommand\theadset{\def\arraystretch{.85}}%
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|c|}
\multirowthead{4}{First ...}& & \\
\multicolumn{2}{c}{\thead{Multicolumn head}}\& \cline{2-3}
& \thead{Second ...} & \thead{Third ...}\& \hline
Cell text & A & \multirowcell{3}{28--31}\& \cline{1-2}
\makecell{Multilined}\Cell text & B & \& \hline
\makecell[l]{Left ...} & C & \multirowcell{4}{1ex} [l]{37--43}\& \cline{1-2}
\makecell[r]{Right ...} & D & \& \hline
\makecell[b]{Bottom ...} & E & \multirowcell{5}{1ex} [r]{37--43}\52--58}\& \cline{1-2}
\makecell[{}]{p{5cm}}{Cell ...} & F & \& \cline{1-2}
\makecell[{}]{>{\parindent1em}p{5cm}}{Cell ...} & G & \& \hline
\end{tabular}
```

Second example (table 6) with “`multirow'ed`” column heads and cells uses `\makegapedcells` command. The `\theadgape` command does nothing:

```
\makegapedcells
\renewcommand\theadset{\def\arraystretch{.85}}%
\renewcommand\theadgape{}
...
```

The last example (table 7) uses `tabularx` environment with `\hsize` in the width argument.

Table 5. Example of “\multirow’ed” cells

First Column head	Multicolumn head	
	Second multlined column head	Third column head
Cell text	A	28–31
Multilined Cell text	B	
Left aligned cell text	C	37–43
Right aligned cell text	D	
Bottom aligned cell text	E	37–43 52–58
Cell long long long long text with predefined width	F	
Cell long long long long text with predefined width	G	

Table 6. Example of “\multirow’ed” cells and additional vertical spaces

First Column head	Multicolumn head	
	Second multlined column head	Third column head
Cell text	A	28–31
Multilined Cell text	B	
Left aligned cell text	C	37–43
Right aligned cell text	D	
Bottom aligned cell text	E	37–43 52–58
Cell long long long long text with predefined width	F	
Cell long long long long text with predefined width	G	

Table 7. Example of `tabularx` environment

First Column head	Multicolumn head	
	Second multlined column head	Third column head
Cell text	A	28–31
Multilined Cell text	B	
Left aligned cell text	C	37–43
Right aligned cell text	D	
Bottom aligned cell text	E	37–43 52–58
Cell long long long long long long text with predefined width	F	
Cell long long long long long long text with predefined width	G	

```

\makegapedcells
\renewcommand\theadset{\def\arraystretch{.85}}%
\renewcommand\theadgape{}
\begin{tabularx}\hsize{X|c|c|}
...
\cline{1-2}
\makecell[{{p{\hsize}}}] {Cell ...} & F & \\\
\cline{1-2}
\makecell[{{>{\parindent1em}p{\hsize}}}] {Cell ...} & G & \\\
\hline
\end{tabularx}

```

As you may see the `\makecell`'s in last two rows defined as

```
\makecell[{{p{\hsize}}}] {...}
```

and

```
\makecell[{{>{\parindent1em}p{\hsize}}}] {...}
```

consequently.

4.1 Multirow Table Heads and Cells: Second Variant

Another, simplified, variant of multirow cell: use `\makecell` and `\thead` commands, and set `\` with negative space at the end, for example

```
\thead{First Column head\[-5ex]}
```

cells, which stay in one “multi row” will have the same value of this negative space, in spite of different number of lines in their contents.

5 Numbered Lines in Tabulars

The three commands `\eline`, `\nline`, `\rnlne` allow to skip:

```
\eline{<number of cells>}
```

and numbering (`\nline`) a few/all sells in the row:

```
\nline[<numbering type>][<start number>]{<number of cells>}
```

Command `\rnlne` does the same as `\nline`, but allows numbering by Russian letters (it redefines L^AT_EX's `\Alph` and `\alph` with `\Asbuk` and `\asbuk` consequently). (see table 9)

```
\begin{tabular}{|*{12}{c|}}
\hline
\eline{6}                \\\ \hline
\nline{6}                \\\ \hline
\eline{3} & \nline[1][4]{3} \\\ \hline
\nline[(a)]{6}          \\\ \hline
\nline[column I]{6}     \\\ \hline
\end{tabular}
```

Table 8. Examples of filling of cells

1	2	3	4	5	6
			4	5	6
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
column 1	column 2	column 3	column 4	column 5	column 6

Two “lazy” commands: for empty table rows (`\erows`) and for rows with repeated text (`\Xrows`) were added in the version V0.1e.

```
\begin{tabular}{|*{4}{c|}}
\hline
\thead{No}&\thead{First Data}&\thead{Second Data}&\thead{Third Data} \\\
\hline
\erows{4}{8}
\end{tabular}\quad
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hhline{|t:=:t:=:t:=:t:=:|}
\thead{No}&\thead{First Data}&\thead{Second Data}&\thead{Third Data} \\\
\hhline{[::=:[::=:[::=:|}
\erows[\ \ \hhline{[::=:[::=:[::=:|}] {4}{8}
\eline{4}\ \ \hhline{|b:=:~b:=:~b:=:~b|}
\end{tabular}\quad
\begin{tabular}{|*{4}{c|}}
\hline
\thead{No}&\thead{First Data}&\thead{Second Data}&\thead{Third Data} \\\
```

```

\hline
\Xrows{\refstepcounter{enumi}\arabic{enumi}.\eline{3}\ \hline}{8}
\end{tabular}

```

Table 9. Examples of filling of cells

No	First Data	Second Data	Third Data

No	First Data	Second Data	Third Data

No	First Data	Second Data	Third Data
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			

6 Cells (One-Column Tabulars) in the Text

If the `\makecell` command appears in the text (outside outer tabular environment) it could create wrong layout. The `\makecellbox` command and `mcellbox` environment are created for one-column tabulars in the text.

7 Diagonally Divided Cell

This variant of head’s positioning is not too popular nowadays, but in the some cases it could be used. Instead of creating of multicolumn head above a wide couple of all column heads except the very left column, the most left column head (upper left cell) divided by diagonal line. The lower head is usually head of very left column and upper head—“multicolumn” to all other column heads of table to the right.

This package offers macro based on possibilities of `picture` environment.

```
\diaghead<(H ratio,V ratio)>{<Text set for column width>}%
  {<First head>}{<Second head>}
```

where $(\langle H \text{ ratio}, V \text{ ratio} \rangle)$ sets the ratios like in `\line` command (digits from 1 up to 6). This argument is optional, the default ratio (`\line` direction) defined as (5,-2).

The $\langle \text{Text set for column width} \rangle$ defined by hand, for example: 1) sets the width, using longest text lines from both heads—in this case you must put `\theadfont` macro, if you use `\thead’s`; 2) the longest text from the rest of column; 3) `\hskip<value>`, even `\hskip\hsize` the case of `p` column (or `X` column in `tabularx` environment). The $\langle \text{First head} \rangle$ is head in lower corner (usually for first or very left column), $\langle \text{Second head} \rangle$ —in the upper corner (head for the all right columns).

Here is code of table 10.

```
\makegapedcells
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|c|}\hline
\diaghead{\theadfont Diag ColumnmnHead II}%
  {Diag Column \Head I}{Diag\Column Head II}&
\thead{Second\column}&\thead{Third\column}\\
\hline...
\end{tabular}\medskip

\begin{tabularx}{.62\hsize}{|X|c|c|}\hline
\diaghead(-4,1){\hskip\hsize}%
  {Diag \Column Head I}{Diag Column \Head II}&
\thead{Second\column}&\thead{Third\column}\\
\hline...
\end{tabularx}\medskip

\nomakegapedcells
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|c|}\hline
\diaghead(4,1){\hskip4.2cm}%
  {Diag \Column Head I}{Diag Column \Head II}&
\thead{Second\column}&\thead{Third\column}\\
...

```

The correct position of diagonal ends depends of width of column. If cell width is narrower then necessary column ends of diagonal don’t touch corners of cell.

Table 10. Examples of tabulars with diagonally divided cells

Diag Column Head I	Diag Column Head II	Second column	Third column
Left aligned cell text		A	37-43
	Right aligned cell text	B	37-43
	Bottom aligned cell text	C	52-58

Diag Column Head II	Diag Column Head I	Second column	Third column
Left aligned cell text		A	37-43
	Right aligned cell text	B	37-43
	Bottom aligned cell text	C	52-58

Diag Column Head I	Diag Column Head II	Second column	Third column
Left aligned cell text		A	37-43
	Right aligned cell text	B	37-43
	Bottom aligned cell text	C	52-58

8 Comparison: Diagonally Divided Cell with the slashbox package

I didn't know about the `slashbox` package in time when the code for the diagonal cells was created. This package uses also picture `\line` mechanism, but calculates slopes automatically. It creates the `\backslash` direction of diagonal lines only. (The `\slash` direction seems to be not correct. Or direction depends to traditions of current publishing house?)

Here is used citation of the sample file distributed with the `slashbox` package¹. The verbatim of the table examples are added only in citation.

The usage is pretty straightforward, such as

```
\begin{tabular}{|l||*{5}{c|}}\hline
\backslashbox{Room}{Date}
&\makebox[3em]{5/31}&\makebox[3em]{6/1}&\makebox[3em]{6/2}
&\makebox[3em]{6/3}&\makebox[3em]{6/4}\hline\hline
Meeting Room &&&&&\\hline
Auditorium &&&&&\\hline
Seminar Room &&&&&\\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Date	5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3	6/4
Room					
Meeting Room					
Auditorium					
Seminar Room					

You may include a newline (`\`) in 'Room' and/or 'Date'. Note that you will get spaces aside the slash line if there is a wider column in the same column of a different line. In such a case, you need to specify the width of the slashed column by saying

```
\begin{tabular}{|l||*{4}{c|}}\hline
\backslashbox[48mm]{Room}{Date}
&\makebox[3em]{5/31}&\makebox[3em]{6/1}&\makebox[3em]{6/2}
&\makebox[3em]{6/3}\hline\hline
Room With a Long Name &&&&\\hline
Auditorium &&&&\\hline
Seminar Room &&&&\\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Date	5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3
Room				
Room With a Long Name				
Auditorium				
Seminar Room				

¹by Koichi Yasuoka, May 27, 1993; minor modification by Toru Sato, May 31, 1993

The specified width is neglected if it is narrower than the natural width of the column.

`\(back)slashbox` assumes by default that there is a blank space of width `\tabcolsep` on both sides of the column. Thus the slash line might exceed the boundary when you use `@{}` etc.

You can avoid it by specifying

```
\begin{tabular}{|@{\ $\bullet$\hspace*{3mm}}1||*{5}{c|}}\hline
\multicolumn{1}{|@{}1||}{\backslashslashbox[0pt][1]{Room}{Date}}
&\makebox[3em]{5/31}&\makebox[4em]{6/1}&\makebox[3em]{6/2}
&\makebox[3em]{6/3}&\makebox[3em]{6/4}\\ \hline\hline
Meeting Room &&&&& \\ \hline
Auditorium &&&&& \\ \hline
Seminar Room &&&&& \\ \hline
\end{tabular}
```

Date Room	5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3	6/4
• Meeting Room					
• Auditorium					
• Seminar Room					

Here `[1]` tells the command that there is no extra space on the left of this column. You can use `[r]` and `[lr]` likewise. You have to also specify the width of the column in this case, but it can be `0pt`.

The addition for the sample with `\slashbox` command. This example demonstrates that you may combine the `makecell` commands and `\backslashslashbox`.

```
\begin{tabular}{|1||*{5}{c|}}\hline
\theadset\theadfont\backslashslashbox{Room}{Date}
&\makebox[3em]{\thead{5/31}}&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/1}}&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/2}}
&\makebox[3em]{6/3}&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/4}}\\ \hline\hline
Meeting Room &&&&& \\ \hline
Auditorium &&&&& \\ \hline
Seminar Room &&&&& \\ \hline
\end{tabular}
```

Date Room	5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3	6/4
Meeting Room					
Auditorium					
Seminar Room					

```

\begin{tabular}{|l||*{4}{c|}}\hline
\theadset\backslashbox[48mm]{Room}{Date}
&\makebox[3em]{\thead{5/31}}&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/1}}&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/2}}
&\makebox[3em]{\thead{6/3}}\\\hline\hline
Room With a Long Name &&&&\\\hline
Auditorium &&&&\\\hline
Seminar Room &&&&\\\hline
\end{tabular}

```

Date	5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3
Room				
Room With a Long Name				
Auditorium				
Seminar Room				

9 Thick Rules for the hline and cline Commands

For horizontal rules in tabular there were added two commands `\Xhline` and `\Xcline`. They use additional mandatory argument with defined rule width.

The example, with result in table 11.

```
%
\begin{table}
\renewcommand\theadset{\def\arraystretch{.85}}%
\renewcommand\theadgape{}
\ttboxed
{\caption{...}\label{...}}%
{\begin{tabular}{!{\vrule width1.2pt}c
                !{\vrule width1.2pt}c|c
                !{\vrule width1.2pt}}
\Xhline{1.2pt}
\multirowthead{4}{First Column head}&
\multicolumn{2}{c!{\vrule width1.2pt}}{\thead{Multicolumn head}}\
\Xcline{2-3}{1.2pt}
& \thead{Second \multlined \ column head} &
\thead{Third \ column head}\
\Xhline{1.2pt}
Cell text & A &\multirowcell{4}{28--31}\
...
\Xhline{1.2pt}
\end{tabular}}
\end{table}
```

Table 11. Example of tabular environment with thick lines

First Column head	Multicolumn head	
	Second multlined column head	Third column head
Cell text	A	28-31
Multilined Cell text	B	
Left aligned cell text	C	37-43
Right aligned cell text	D	
Bottom aligned cell text	E	37-43 52-58
Cell long long long long long long text with predefined width	F	
Cell long long long long long long text with predefined width	G	

10 Code of package

10.1 Multilined cells

First goes request of array package.

```
1 \RequirePackage{array}
```

`\makecell` The definition of command for multilined cells. At first defined `\gape` stuff. Non-star form loads special setting for vertical space around (if it used). Star form always creates additional vertical `\jot`-spaces.

```
2 \newcommand\makecell{\@ifstar{\let\tabg@pe\gape\makecell@}%
3                               {\let\tabg@pe\cellgape\makecell@}}
```

Next macro loads vertical and horizontal common alignment for cells and loads redefined spacing parameters `\arraystretch` and `\extrarowheight` if these parameters were redefined.

```
4 \newcommand\makecell@{\def\t@bset{\cellset}%
5   \let\mcell@align\cellalign
6   \@ifnextchar[\mcell@tabular
7     {\expandafter\mcell@@tabular\cellalign\@nil}}
```

`\thead` The macro for tabular column heads. At first defined `\gape` stuff. Non-star form loads special setting for vertical space around (if it used). Star form always creates additional vertical `\jot`-spaces.

```
8 \newcommand\thead{\@ifstar{\let\tabg@pe\gape\thead@}%
9                               {\let\tabg@pe\theadgape\thead@}}
```

Next macro loads vertical and horizontal common alignment for column heads and loads redefined spacing parameters `\arraystretch` and `\extrarowheight` if these parameters were redefined. (First go settings for cells, as for `\makecell`, then special settings for column heads.)

For column heads also loaded font settings.

```
10 \newcommand\thead@{\def\t@bset{\cellset\theadfont\theadset}%
11   \let\mcell@align\theadalign
12   \@ifnextchar[\mcell@tabular
13     {\expandafter\mcell@@tabular\theadalign\@nil}}
```

`\rotheadsize` The width dimension for rotated cells.

```
14 \@ifdefinable\rotheadsize{\newdimen\rotheadsize}
```

`\rotcell` The macro for rotated cell. If no rotating package loaded this macro works like `\makecell`.

```
15 \newcommand\rotcell{\@ifundefined{turn}%
16   {\PackageWarning{makecell}%
17     {\string\rotcell\space needs rotating package}}%
18   \let\tabg@pe\empty\let\t@bset\cellset\makecell@}
19   {\@ifnextchar[\@rotcell]{\@rotcell}}
```

For rotated cell default column setting is similar to `p{\rotheadsize}` (plus some additional justification settings)

```

20 \ifdefinable\@rotcell{}
21 \def\@rotcell[#1]#2{\makecell*{\[-.65\normalbaselineskip}
22 \turn{\cellrotangle}\makecell[#1]{#2}\endturn}}
23 \newcommand\@rotcell[1]{\makecell*{\[-.65\normalbaselineskip}
24 \turn{\cellrotangle}\makecell[c]{>\rightskip0explus
25 \rotheadsize\hyphenpenalty0\pretolerance-1%
26 \noindent\hskip\z@}p{\rotheadsize}
27 }]{#1}\endturn}}

```

`\rothead` The macro for rotated tabular column heads. If no rotating package loaded this macro works like `\thead`.

```

28 \newcommand\rothead{\@ifundefined{turn}%
29 {\PackageWarning{makecell}{\string\rothead\space
30 needs rotating package}}%
31 \let\tabg@pe\theadgape
32 \def\t@bset{\cellset\theadfont\theadset}\thead@}%
33 {\let\theadgape\rotheadgape
34 \@ifnextchar[{\@rothead}{\@@rothead}}}

```

For rotated column head default column setting is similar to `p{\rotheadsize}` (plus some additional justification settings)

```

35 \ifdefinable\@rothead{}
36 \def\@rothead[#1]#2{\thead{\[-.65\normalbaselineskip}
37 \turn{\cellrotangle}\thead[#1]{#2@{}}\endturn}}
38 \newcommand\@rothead[1]{\thead{\[-.65\normalbaselineskip}
39 \turn{\cellrotangle}\thead[c]{>\rightskip0explus
40 \rotheadsize\hyphenpenalty0\pretolerance-1%
41 \noindent\hskip\z@}p{\rotheadsize}
42 @{}]{#1}\endturn}}

```

`\multirowcell` The macro for multirow cells. If no multirow package loaded this macro works like `\makecell`.

```

43 \newcommand\multirowcell{\@ifundefined{multirow}%
44 {\PackageWarning{makecell}{\string\multirowcell\space
45 needs multirow package}}%
46 {\let\mcell@mrowcell@mrowcell}\mcell@mrowcell@}

```

These macros define settings for `\multirow` arguments.

```

47 \newcommand\mcell@mrowcell@[1]{\@ifnextchar
48 [f{\mcell@mrowcell@{#1}}{\mcell@mrowcell@{#1}[Opt]}}
49 \ifdefinable\mcell@mrowcell@{}
50 \def\mcell@mrowcell@{#1}[#2]{\edef\mcell@nrows{#1}\edef\mcell@fixup{#2}%
51 \let\tabg@pe\cellgape\makecell@}

```

`\multirowthead` The macro for multirow column heads. If no multirow package loaded this macro works like `\thead`.

```

52 \newcommand\multirowthead{\@ifundefined{multirow}%

```



```

53 {\PackageWarning{makecell}{\string\multirowthead\space
54  needs multirow package}}%
55 {\let\mcell@multirow\multirow}\mcell@mrowhead@}

```

These macros define settings for `\multirow` arguments.

```

56 \newcommand\mcell@mrowhead@[1]{\@ifnextchar
57  [ {\mcell@mrowhead@@{#1}}{\mcell@mrowhead@@{#1}[Opt]}}
58 \@ifdefinable\mcell@mrowhead@@{}
59 \def\mcell@mrowhead@@#1[#2]{\edef\mcell@nrows{#1}\edef\mcell@fixup{#2}%
60  \let\tabg@pe\theadgape\thead@}

```

`\mcell@multirow` By default `\mcell@multirow` macro gobbles `\multirow`'s arguments.

```

61 \@ifdefinable\mcell@multirow{}
62 \def\mcell@multirow#1#2[#3]{}%

```

Definitions for horizontal and vertical alignments, which use by `tabular` and `array` environments.

For `l`, `r`, `t`, and `b` alignments commands set `c`-argument as vertical or horizontal centering alignment if necessary. For `l` and `r` alignments also redefined alignment settings for `\makecell` (`\thead`) blocks.

```

63 \newcommand\mcell@l{\def\mcell@ii{l}\let\mcell@c\mcell@ic
64  \global\let\mcell@left\relax}
65 \newcommand\mcell@r{\def\mcell@ii{r}\let\mcell@c\mcell@ic
66  \global\let\mcell@right\relax}
67 \newcommand\mcell@t{\def\mcell@ii{t}\let\mcell@c\mcell@iic}
68 \newcommand\mcell@b{\def\mcell@ii{b}\let\mcell@c\mcell@iic}
69 \newcommand\mcell@{}

```

If alone `c`-argument loaded it is used for horizontal alignment.

```

70 \newcommand\mcell@c{\def\mcell@ii{c}}
71 \newcommand\mcell@ic{\def\mcell@ii{c}}
72 \newcommand\mcell@iic{\def\mcell@ii{c}}

```

Default vertical and horizontal alignment is centered.

```

73 \newcommand\mcell@i{c}
74 \newcommand\mcell@ii{c}

```

Default horizontal alignment of `\makecell` (`\thead`) blocks is centered.

```

75 \@ifdefinable\mcell@left{\let\mcell@left\hfill}
76 \@ifdefinable\mcell@right{\let\mcell@right\hfill}

```

`\mcell@tabular` The core macros for tabular building.

`\mcell@@tabular` Next few macros for sorting of `\makecell` (`\thead`) arguments.

```

\mcell@@@tabular 77 \@ifdefinable\mcell@tabular{} \@ifdefinable\mcell@@tabular{}
78 \@ifdefinable\mcell@@@tabular{}
79 \def\mcell@tabular[#1]#2{\mcell@@tabular#1\@nil{#2}}

```

The code for this macro borrowed from `caption 3.x` package (AS).

```

80 \newcommand\mcell@ifinlist[2]{%
81  \let\next\@secondoftwo
82  \edef\mcell@tmp{#1}%

```

```

83 \@for\mcell@Tmp:={#2}\do{%
84   \ifx\mcell@tmp\mcell@Tmp
85     \let\next\@firstoftwo
86   \fi}\next}

```

The `\mcell@@tabular` macro at first calls `\mcell@setalign` macro for sorting of alignment arguments, then calls `\mcell@@@tabular` macro, which created tabular cell or column head.

```

87 \def\mcell@@tabular#1#2\@nil#3{%
88   \expandafter\mcell@setalign\mcell@align\@nil
89   \mcell@setalign{#1}{#2}\@nil
90   \expandafter\mcell@@@tabular\expandafter\mcell@i\mcell@ii\@nil{#3}}

```

`\mcell@setalign` This macro sorts arguments for vertical and horizontal alignment.

First argument has second check at the end of macro for the case if it is `c`-argument.

```

91 \@ifdefinable\mcell@setalign{}
92 \def\mcell@setalign#1#2\@nil{\def\@tempa{#1}\def\@tempc{c}%

```

Restore default alignment for `\makecell` and `\thead` blocks.

```

93 \global\let\mcell@left\hfill\global\let\mcell@right\hfill

```

If in optional argument appears alone `c`-argument it defines horizontal centering only.

```

94 \def\mcell@c{\def\mcell@ii{c}}%
95 \mcell@ifinlist{#1}{l,r,t,b,c}{\@nameuse{mcell@#1}}%

```

If argument is not `l`, `r`, `c`, `t`, or `b` it could define horizontal alignment only.

```

96   {\def\mcell@ii{#1}\let\mcell@c\mcell@ic
97   \let\mcell@left\relax\let\mcell@right\relax}%
98 \mcell@ifinlist{#2}{l,r,t,b,c}{\@nameuse{mcell@#2}}%

```

If argument is not `l`, `r`, `c`, `t`, or `b` it could define horizontal alignment only.

```

99   {\def\mcell@ii{#2}\let\mcell@c\mcell@ic
100   \let\mcell@left\relax\let\mcell@right\relax}%

```

Here goes repeated check for first argument, if it is `c`-argument we call `\mcell@c` command, which can be now redefined.

```

101 \ifx\@tempa\@tempc\mcell@c\fi
102 }

```

This macro builds tabular itself. First (and last) go commands which align `\makecell` and `\thead` blocks like `l`, `r`, or `c` (if they loaded). Then goes check whether math mode exists. The `\mcell@multirow` emulation macro transforms to `\multirow` when necessary.

```

103 \def\mcell@@@tabular#1#2\@nil#3{\mcell@mstyle
104   \ifdim\parindent<\z@\leavevmode\else\noindent\fi
105   \null\mcell@left
106   \ifmmode
107     \mcell@multirow\mcell@nrows*[\mcell@fixup]{\tabg@pe
108     {\hbox{\t@bset$\array[#1]{@{}#2@{}}#3\endarray$}}}%

```

```

109     \else
110         \mcell@multirow\mcell@nrows*[\mcell@fixup]{\tabg@pe
111             {\hbox{\t@bset\tabular[#1]{@{}#2@{}}#3\endtabular}}}%
112     \fi\mcell@right\null}

\mcellbox
\makecellbox 113 \@ifdefinable\mcell@start{}\@ifdefinable\mcell@stop{}
114 \newcommand\mcellbox[1][c]{%
115     \expandafter\mcell@setalign\cellalign\@nil
116     \expandafter\mcell@setalign#1\@nil
117     \expandafter\mcell@box\expandafter\mcell@i\mcell@ii\@nil}
118 \@ifdefinable\mcell@box{}
119 \def\mcell@box#1#2\@nil{%
120     \ifdim\parindent<\z@\leavevmode\else\noindent\fi
121     \ifmode\def\mcell@start{\$array}\def\mcell@stop{\endarray$}\else
122         \def\mcell@start{\tabular}\def\mcell@stop{\endtabular}\fi
123     \hbox\bgroup\cellset\mcell@start[#1]{@{}#2@{}}}%
124 \def\endmcellbox {\mcell@stop\egroup}
125 \newcommand\makecellbox[2][c]{\begin{mcellbox}[#1]#2\end{mcellbox}}

\cellset The layout macros for tabular building settings.
\cellgape Spacing settings for tabular spacing inside cells (like \arraystretch or
\cellalign \extrarowheight).
\cellrotangle 126 \newcommand\cellset{\def\arraystretch{1}\extrarowheight\z@
\theadfont 127 \nomakegapedcells}
\theadset Vertical space around cells (created by \gape stuff).
\theadgape 128 \newcommand\cellgape{}
\rotheadgape Vertical and horizontal alignment of cell text.
\theadalign 129 \newcommand\cellalign{cc}
Angle for rotated column heads and cells.
130 \newcommand\cellrotangle{90}
Font for column heads
131 \newcommand\theadfont{\footnotesize}
Special spacing settings for tabular spacing in column heads (like \arraystretch
or/and \extrarowheight).
132 \newcommand\theadset{}
Vertical space around column heads (created by \gape stuff).
133 \newcommand\theadgape{\gape}
Vertical space around rotated column heads.
134 \newcommand\rotheadgape{}
Vertical and horizontal alignment of column head text.
135 \newcommand\theadalign{cc}

```

10.2 Gape commands

`\gape` The macro itself. It uses analogous to `\smash` macro from `amsmath` package.

`\setcellgapes` 136 `\@ifdefinable\gape{}`
 137 `\DeclareRobustCommand\gape{\@ifnextchar[\@gape{\@gape[tb]}}`
 The `\setcellgapes` defines settings used by `\makegapedcells` command.
 First goes check for optional argument.
 138 `\newcommand\setcellgapes{\@ifnextchar[%]`
 139 `{\mcell@setgapes{MB}}{\mcell@setgapes{MB}[tb]}`
 Then body of settings.
 140 `\@ifdefinable\@setcellgapes{}`
 141 `\def\mcell@setgapes#1[#2]#3{\expandafter\let\csname`
 142 `mcell@#1@\expandafter\endcsname\csname mcell@mb@#2\endcsname`
 143 `\@namedef{mcell@#1jot}{#3}%`
 Negative compensate inside `\makegapedcells` area.
 144 `\@namedef{mcell@#1negjot}{-#3}\@namedef{mcell@#1negtb}{#2}}`
 145 `\newcommand\negjot[1]{\jot\mcell@MBnegjot\gape[mcell@MBnegtb]{#1}}`
 The macros which count advanced height and depth of boxes.
 146 `\newcommand\mcell@mb@t[2]{%`
 147 `\@tempdima\ht#1\advance\@tempdima#2\ht#1\@tempdima}`
 148 `\newcommand\mcell@mb@b[2]{%`
 149 `\@tempdimb\dp#1\advance\@tempdimb#2\dp#1\@tempdimb}`
 150 `\newcommand\mcell@mb@tb[2]{\mcell@mb@t{#1}{#2}\mcell@mb@b{#1}{#2}}`
 The body of `\gape` macros.
 151 `\@ifdefinable\@gape{\@ifdefinable\@@gape{}`
 152 `\def\@gape[#1]{\mcell@setgapes{mb}{#1}{\jot}\@gape}`
 153 `\def\@@gape{%`
 154 `\ifmode \expandafter\mathpalette\expandafter\mathg@pe`
 155 `\else \expandafter\makeg@pe`
 156 `\fi}`

`\makeg@pe` The macros which put box with necessary parameters in text and math mode.
 157 `\newcommand\makeg@pe[1]{\setbox\z@`
 158 `\hbox{\color@begingroup#1\color@endgroup}\mcell@mb@\z@\mcell@mbjot\box\z@}`
 159 `\newcommand\mathg@pe[2]{\setbox\z@`
 160 `\hbox{\math#1{#2}}\mcell@mb@\z@\mcell@mbjot\box\z@}`

`\Gape` The macros which put box with necessary parameters in text and math mode.
 161 `\@ifdefinable\Gape{}`
 162 `\DeclareRobustCommand\Gape{\@ifnextchar[\@Gape{\@Gape[\jot]}}`
 163 `\@ifdefinable\@Gape{\@ifdefinable\@@Gape{}`
 164 `\def\@Gape[#1]{\@ifnextchar[\@Gape[#1]]{\@Gape[#1][#1]}}`
 165 `\def\@@Gape[#1][#2]{\def\depth{\dp\z@}\def\height{\ht\z@}%`
 166 `\edef\mcell@mb@##1##2{%`
 167 `\@tempdima\ht\z@\advance\@tempdima#1\ht\z@\@tempdima`
 168 `\@tempdimb\dp\z@\advance\@tempdimb#2\dp\z@\@tempdimb}%`
 169 `\@gape}`

`\topstrut` The macros abbreviations for `\strut` which changed by value of `\jot`. First
`\botstrut` enlarges both depth and height.
`\bottopstrut` 170 `\newcommand\bottopstrut{\gape{\strut}}`
 Second enlarges only height.
 171 `\newcommand\topstrut{\gape[t]{\strut}}`
 Third enlarges only depth.
 172 `\newcommand\botstrut{\gape[b]{\strut}}`

10.3 Modification of command from array package

`\makegapedcells` At first is saved `\@classz` macro.
`\nomakegapedcells` 173 `\@ifdefinable\mcell@oriclassz{\let\mcell@oriclassz\@classz}`
 This macros redefine and restore the `\@classz` macro from array package.
 174 `\newcommand\makegapedcells{\let\@classz\mcell@classz}`
 175 `\newcommand\nomakegapedcells{\let\@classz\mcell@oriclassz}`

`\mcell@agape` Following macro creates tabular/array cells with changed vertical spaces.
 176 `\newcommand\mcell@agape[1]{\setbox\z@\hbox{#1}\mcell@MB@\z@\mcell@MBjot}`
 177 `\null\mcell@left\box\z@\mcell@right\null}`

`\mcell@classz` Redefined `\@classz` macro from array package.
 178 `\newcommand\mcell@classz{\@classz`
 179 `\@tempcnta \count@`
 180 `\prepnext@tok`
 181 `\@addtopreamble{\% \mcell@mstyle`
 182 `\ifcase\@chnum`
 183 `\hfil`
 184 `\mcell@agape{\d@llarbegin\insert@column\d@llarend}\hfil \or`
 185 `\hskip1sp`
 186 `\mcell@agape{\d@llarbegin\insert@column\d@llarend}\hfil \or`
 187 `\hfil\hskip1sp`
 188 `\mcell@agape{\d@llarbegin \insert@column\d@llarend}\or`
 189 `$\mcell@agape{\vcenter`
 190 `\@startpbox{\@nextchar}\insert@column\@endpbox}$\or`
 191 `\mcell@agape{\vtop`
 192 `\@startpbox{\@nextchar}\insert@column\@endpbox}\or`
 193 `\mcell@agape{\vbox`
 194 `\@startpbox{\@nextchar}\insert@column\@endpbox}\%`
 195 `\fi`
 196 `\global\let\mcell@left\relax\global\let\mcell@right\relax`
 197 `}\prepnext@tok}`

10.4 Rows of skipped and numbered cells

`\eline` The row of empty cells.
 198 `\@ifdefinable\eline{}`

```

219 \DeclareRobustCommand\eline[1]{\@temptokena{ }\count@ #1%
220 \advance\count@m@ne
221 \loop \@temptokena\expandafter{\the\@temptokena&}%
222 \advance\count@m@ne \ifnum\count@>\z@\repeat
223 \the\@temptokena\ignorespaces}

\erows Lazy macros for filling few rows.
\Xrows 204 %\newtoks\@temptokenb\newtoks\@temptokenc
205 %\newcommand\erows[3][\ \hline]{\relax\@temptokenb{ }\@temptokenc{ }\@tempcnta#3\relax
206 % \count@#2\advance\count@m@ne\loop\showthe\@temptokenc
207 % \@temptokenc\expandafter{\the\@temptokenc&}%
208 % \advance\count@m@ne \ifnum\count@>\z@\repeat
209 % \loop
210 % \global\@temptokenb\expandafter{\the\expandafter\@temptokenb\expandafter\the\@temptokenc#1}
211 % \advance\@tempcnta@m@ne \ifnum\@tempcnta>\z@\repeat
212 % \the\@temptokenb\showthe\@temptokenb}
213 \newcommand\erows[3][\ \hline]{\@temptokena{ }\count@ #3%
214 \loop \@temptokena\expandafter{\the\@temptokena\eline{#2}#1}%
215 \advance\count@m@ne \ifnum\count@>\z@\repeat
216 \the\@temptokena}
217 \newcommand\Xrows[2]{\@temptokena{ }\count@ #2%
218 \loop \@temptokena\expandafter{\the\@temptokena#1}%
219 \advance\count@m@ne \ifnum\count@>\z@\repeat
220 \the\@temptokena}

\rnline The rows of numbered cells. The \rnline command replaces \Alph and \alph
\nline counter by \Asbuk and \asbuk consequently.
221 \newcounter{nlینenum}
222 \@ifdefinable\rnline{}
223 \DeclareRobustCommand\rnline{\gdef
224 \TeXr@rus{\let\@Alph\@Asbuk\let\@alph\@asbuk}\@online}
225 \@ifdefinable\nline{}
226 \DeclareRobustCommand\nline{\gdef\TeXr@rus{ }\@online}
227 \newcommand\@online{\@ifnextchar [%]
228 {\@@online}{\@@online[1]}}
229 \@ifdefinable\@@online{}
230 \def\@@online[#1]{\@ifnextchar [%]
231 {\@@@online[#1]}{\@@@online[#1][1]}}
232 \@ifdefinable\@@@online{}
233 \def\@@@online[#1][#2]#3{\count@ #3
234 \def\TeXr@label{\TeXr@label@{nlینenum}}%
235 \expandafter\TeXr@loop@gobble{ }#1\@@@
236 \xdef\Num{\the\TeXr@lab}%
237 \c@nlinenum#2\relax%
238 \expandafter\@temptokena\expandafter{\Num
239 \global\advance\c@nlinenum\@ne}%
240 \advance\count@m@ne
241 \loop\@temptokena\expandafter{\the\@temptokena&
242 \Num \global\advance\c@nlinenum\@ne}%
243 \advance\count@m@ne \ifnum\count@>\z@ \repeat

```

244 `\the\temptokena\ignorespaces}`

[Borrowed code stuff and explanation from `enumerate/paralist` packages just with changes of command names.]

Internal token register used to build up the label command from the optional argument.

245 `\newtoks\TeXr@lab`

This just expands to a ‘?’ . `\ref` will produce this, if no counter is printed.

246 `\def\TeXr@qmark{?}`

The next four macros build up the command that will print the item label. They each gobble one token or group from the optional argument, and add corresponding tokens to the register `\@enLab`. They each end with a call to `\@enloop`, which starts the processing of the next token.

`\TeXr@label` Add the counter to the label. #2 will be one of the ‘special’ tokens A a I i 1, and is thrown away. #1 will be a command like `\Roman`.

247 `\def\TeXr@label@#1#2#3{%`

248 `\edef\TeXr@the{\noexpand#2{#1}}%`

249 `\TeXr@lab\expandafter`

250 `{\the\TeXr@lab\TeXr@rus\csname the#1\endcsname}%`

251 `\advance\@tempcnta1`

252 `\TeXr@loop}`

The only foreign command in this stuff. It indicates whether the list has numeration by Russian letters.

253 `\def\TeXr@rus{}`

`\TeXr@space` Add a space to the label. The tricky bit is to gobble the space token, as you can not do this with a macro argument.

254 `\def\TeXr@space{\afterassignment\TeXr@space\let\@tempa= }`

255 `\def\TeXr@space{\TeXr@lab\expandafter{\the\TeXr@lab\space}\TeXr@loop}`

`\TeXr@group` Add a { } group to the label.

256 `\def\TeXr@group#1{\TeXr@lab\expandafter{\the\TeXr@lab{#1}}\TeXr@loop}`

`\TeXr@other` Add anything else to the label

257 `\def\TeXr@other#1{\TeXr@lab\expandafter{\the\TeXr@lab#1}\TeXr@loop}`

`\TeXr@loop` The body of the main loop. Eating tokens this way instead of using `\@tfor` lets you see spaces and **all** braces. `\@tfor` would treat a and {a} as special, but not {{a}}.

258 `\def\TeXr@loop{\futurelet\TeXr@temp\TeXr@loop@}`

259 `\def\TeXr@loop@{%`

260 `\ifx A\TeXr@temp`

`\def\@tempa{\TeXr@label\Alph } \else`

261 `\ifx a\TeXr@temp`

`\def\@tempa{\TeXr@label\alph } \else`

262 `\ifx i\TeXr@temp`

`\def\@tempa{\TeXr@label\roman } \else`

263 `\ifx I\TeXr@temp`

`\def\@tempa{\TeXr@label\Roman } \else`

```

264 \ifx 1\TeXr@temp          \def\@tempa{\TeXr@label\arabic}\else
265 \ifx \@sptoken\TeXr@temp \let\@tempa\TeXr@space      \else
266 \ifx \bgroup\TeXr@temp    \let\@tempa\TeXr@group      \else
267 \ifx \@@@\TeXr@temp      \let\@tempa\@gobble        \else
268                          \let\@tempa\TeXr@other

```

Hook for possible extensions

```

269                          \TeXr@hook
270                          \fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi
271 \@tempa}

```

`\TeXr@hook`

```

272 \providecommand\TeXr@hook{}

```

10.5 Diagonally separated column heads

`\diaghead` Macro for diagonally separated column heads.

```

273 \newcommand\diaghead{\@ifnextchar({\mcell@diaghead}{\mcell@diagheads}}
274 \@ifdefinable\mcell@diaghead{}
275 \def\mcell@diaghead(#1){\def\celldiagratio{(#1)}\mcell@diagheads}

```

The default value of diagonal ratio.

```

276 \newcommand\celldiagratio{(5,-2)}

```

The building itself

```

277 \newcommand\mcell@diagheads[3]{\hbox\bgroup\expandafter
278   \mcell@getcelldiagratis\celldiagratio\relax
279   \@tempswafalse

```

depends of sign of ratios.

```

280   \ifnum\mcell@Hratio<\z@\count@-\mcell@Hratio\relax
281     \edef\mcell@Hratio{\the\count@}\relax
282   \ifnum\mcell@Vratio<\z@\count@-\mcell@Vratio\relax
283     \edef\mcell@Vratio{\the\count@}\else\@tempswatrue
284     \fi
285   \else
286     \ifnum\mcell@Vratio<\z@\count@-\mcell@Vratio\relax
287       \edef\mcell@Vratio{\the\count@}\@tempswatrue\else
288       \fi
289   \fi
290   \settowidth\@tempdima{#1}\advance\@tempdima2\tabcolsep
291   \edef\mcell@diagH{\the\@tempdima}\divide\@tempdima\mcell@Hratio
292   \@tempdima\mcell@Vratio\@tempdima\edef\mcell@diagV{\the\@tempdima}%

```

The `\unitlength` here is `\relaxed`, we use just real dimensions.

```

293   \let\mcell@oriunitlength\unitlength\let\unitlength\relax
294   \kern-\tabcolsep\kern-\@wholewidth
295   \setbox\z@\hbox{\theadfont{\strut}}\@tempdima\dp\z@

```

The value of compensate vertical spacing defined here experimentally and equals to 2 default line thickness.

```

296   \advance\@tempdima.8\p@%2\@wholewidth

```


If `\makedgapedcells` switched on for the table there is compensate spacing.

```

297     {\ifx\@classz\mcell@classz
298         \setbox\z@\hbox{#1}\ht\z@\z@\dp\z@\z@
299         \mcell@MB@\z@\mcell@MBjot
300         \global\dimen@\@tempdima\global\@tempdimb\@tempdimb
301     \else\global\dimen@\z@\global\@tempdimb\z@\fi
302     }%
303     \advance\@tempdima\dimen@
304     \edef\mcell@diagVoffset{\the\@tempdima}%
305     \@tempdima\mcell@diagV\advance\@tempdima-\mcell@diagVoffset
306     \advance\@tempdima-\@tempdimb
307     \edef\mcell@diagVcorr{\the\@tempdima}%
308     \noindent\nomakegapedcells\hbox{\begin{tabular}{@{}c@{}}}%

```

At least a `\normallineskip` vertical space from top and bottom of cell.

```

309     \ifdim\jot<2\p@\jot2\p@\fi
310     \if@tempswa

```

For South-East or North-West directions.

```

311         \begin{picture}(\mcell@diagH,\mcell@diagVcorr)(\z@,\mcell@diagVoffset)%
312         \put(\z@,\mcell@diagV){\makebox(\z@,\z@)[tl]%
313             {\edef\tempa{(\mcell@Hratio,-\mcell@Vratio)}\expandafter
314                 \line\tempa{\mcell@diagH}}}
315         \put(\tabcolsep,\jot)%
316             {\makebox(\z@,\z@)[bl]{\theadfont
317                 \let\cellset\theadset\makecell[bl]{\strut#2}}}
318         \@tempdima\mcell@diagH\advance\@tempdima-\tabcolsep
319         \@tempdimb\mcell@diagV\advance\@tempdimb-\jot
320         \put(\@tempdima,\@tempdimb)%
321             {\makebox(\z@,\z@)[tr]{\theadfont
322                 \let\cellset\theadset\makecell[tr]{#3\strut}}}
323         \end{picture}%
324     \else

```

For South-West or North-East directions.

```

325         \begin{picture}(\mcell@diagH,\mcell@diagVcorr)(\z@,\mcell@diagVoffset)%
326         \put(\z@,\mcell@diagV){\makebox(\z@,\z@)[tl]%
327             {\edef\tempa{(\mcell@Hratio,\mcell@Vratio)}\expandafter
328                 \line\tempa{\mcell@diagH}}}
329         \@tempdima\mcell@diagV\advance\@tempdima-\jot
330         \put(\tabcolsep,\@tempdima)%
331             {\makebox(\z@,\z@)[tl]{\theadfont
332                 \let\cellset\theadset\makecell[tl]{\strut#3}}}
333         \@tempdima\mcell@diagH\advance\@tempdima-\tabcolsep
334         \put(\@tempdima,\jot)%
335             {\makebox(\z@,\z@)[br]%
336                 {\theadfont
337                 \let\cellset\theadset{\makecell[br]{#2\strut}}}}
338         \end{picture}%
339     \fi
340     \end{tabular}%

```

```

341 \kern-\tabcolsep\kern-\@wholewidth
342 }\let\unitlength\mcell@oriunitlength\egroup\par
343 \ifvmode\strut
344 \vspace*{-\normalbaselineskip}\vspace*{-\normallineskip}
345 \fi
346 }

```

Macro used by previous one. Extracts ratios for defining of height of cell.

```

347 \@ifdefinable\mcell@getcelldiagrations{}
348 \def\mcell@getcelldiagrations(#1,#2){\def\mcell@Hratio{#1}\def\mcell@Vratio{#2}}

```

10.6 The `\hline` and `\cline` with necessary thickness

`\Xhline` The commands for `\hline` and `\cline` with necessary thickness. Added code for the `longtable` environment.

```

349 \newcommand\Xhline[1]{\noalign{\ifnum0='}\fi\arrayrulewidth#1%
350 \ifx\hline\LT@hline\let\@xhline\LT@hline\fi
351 \hrule\@height\arrayrulewidth\futurelet\reserved@a\@xhline}

```

`\Xcline`

```

352 \def\Xcline#1#2{\@Xcline#1;#2\@nil}
353 \def\@Xcline#1-#2;#3\@nil{%
354 \omit
355 \@multicnt#1%
356 \advance\@multispan\m@ne
357 \ifnum\@multicnt=\@ne\@firstofone{&\omit}\fi
358 \@multicnt#2%
359 \advance\@multicnt-#1%
360 \advance\@multispan\@ne
361 \leaders\hrule\@height#3\hfill
362 \cr
363 \noalign{\vskip-#3}}

```