

The lmacs Package

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1 `{*package}`

Description. This package is used to clean up the preamble of L^AT_EX files. Some preambles have a (large) number of definitions in them. To clean up the preamble, move the definitions in the preamble into a separate file, and use this package to import them into your preamble. Normally, lmacs would have a position that follows all packages for the document.

lmacs stands for local macros. Normally, the files referenced are in the same folder as the main source file; they should not (but can) be in the search path of L^AT_EX.

Demo files: `lmacs_tst.tex` (a simple latex source) and `lmacs_aeb.tex` (a file that uses the `web` and `exerquiz` packages). These are found in the `examples` folder.

Documentation and Code. We begin by requiring `kvoptions`, this package does not test for the presence of a class file, so we can use it. It allows us to define key-values as options of the package.

```
2 \RequirePackage{kvoptions}[2009/07/21]
```

`cfg` With these keys, you can specify the file with the specified extension be imported.

`def` For example, the following line

```
js \usepackage[cfg=myconf,def=mydef,js=myjs]{lmacs}
```

will import (using `\InputIfFileExists`) the files `myconf.cfg`, `mydef.def`, and `myjs.js`. Multiple specifications of the same extension is permitted, for example,

```
\usepackage[def=mydef1,def=mydef2]{lmacs}
```

```
3 \let\LM@inputlist\@empty
```

`\LM@input` inputs `#1.#2`, while `\LM@warning` issues a package warning if `#1.#2` is not found.

```
4 \newcommand{\LM@input}[2]{\InputIfFileExists{#1.#2}{}%  
5   {\LM@warning{#1}{#2}}}  
6 \newcommand{\LM@warning}[2]{\PackageWarning{lmacs}  
7   {The file #1.#2 cannot be found}}
```

`!cfg` For each of these options, we add the specified file to `\LM@inputlist`, this will be
`!def` executed at the end of the package. The three options `!cfg`, `!def`, `!js` do nothing,
`!js` making it easy to include, or not include a file.

```
8 \define@key{lmacs}{cfg}{\g@addto@macro\LM@inputlist{\LM@input{#1}{cfg}}}  
9 \define@key{lmacs}{!cfg}{}  
10 \define@key{lmacs}{def}{\g@addto@macro\LM@inputlist{\LM@input{#1}{def}}}  
11 \define@key{lmacs}{!def}{}  
12 \define@key{lmacs}{js}{\g@addto@macro\LM@inputlist{\LM@input{#1}{js}}}  
13 \define@key{lmacs}{!js}{}  
  
14 \ProcessKeyvalOptions{lmacs}
```

Once the options have been process, we execute the command `\LM@inputlist` which contains a list of the files to be input.

```
15 \LM@inputlist  
16 </package>
```