# Guide to lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X (for version 1.21)

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# 1. About lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X

The program lhs2TEX is a preprocessor that takes a literate Haskell source file as input (or something sufficiently alike) and produces a formatted file that can be processed further by LATEX.

For example, consider the following input file:

```
\documentclass{article}
%include polycode.fmt
\begin{document}
This is the famous ''Hello world'' example,
written in Haskell:
\begin{code}
main :: IO ()
main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
\end{code}
\end{document}
```

If we run the following two commands on it

```
$ lhs2TeX -o HelloWorld.tex HelloWorld.lhs
$ pdflatex HelloWorld.tex
```

then the resulting PDF file will look similar to

```
This is the famous "Hello world" example, written in Haskell:

main :: IO ()

main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
```

The behaviour of lhs2TEX is highly customizable. The main mode of operation of lhs2TEX is called the **style**. By default, lhs2TEX operates in **poly** style. Other styles can be selected via command line flags. Depending on the selected style, lhs2TEX can perform quite different tasks. Here is a brief overview:

- verb (verbatim): format code completely verbatim
- tt (typewriter): format code verbatim, but allow special formatting of keywords, characters, some functions, ...
- math: mathematical formatting with basic alignment, highly customizable
- poly: mathematical formatting with mutliple alignments, highly customizable, supersedes math
- code: delete all comments, extract sourcecode
- newcode (new code): delete all comments, extract sourcecode, but allow for formatting, supersedes code

The name of the style is also the name of the flag you have to pass to lhs2TEX in order to activate the style. For example, call lhs2TeX --newcode to use lhs2TEX in **newcode** style.

# 2. Installing lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X

There are three options for installing lhs2TEX (ordered by ease):

- Using Hackage
- Using Cabal.
- Classic configure/make.

## 2.1. Using Hackage to install lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X

The Haskell Platform [7] is the easiest way to get started with programming Haskell. It is also the easiest way to build, install, and manage Haskell packages, through Hackage [6]:

```
$ cabal update
$ cabal install lhs2tex
```

The first command downloads the latest package list, and the second installs (along with any dependencies) the latest version of lhs2TeX.

## 2.2. Using Cabal to install lhs2TEX

If you have downloaded a source distribution, which is a valid Cabal package, you can install lhs2TEX using Cabal (this requires Cabal 1.2 or later). Begin by unpacking the archive. Assuming that it has been unpacked into directory /somewhere, then say

```
$ cd /somewhere/lhs2TeX-1.21
$ runghc Setup configure
$ runghc Setup build
$ runghc Setup install
```

The install step requires write access to the installation location and the LATEX filename database. (Hint: use sudo if necessary.)

## 2.3. configure/make

The following instructions apply to Unix-like environments. However, lhs2TEX does run on Windows systems, too. (If you would like to add installation instructions or facilitate the installation procedure for Windows systems, please contact the authors.)

Begin by unpack the archive. Assuming that it has been unpacked into directory /somewhere, then say

```
$ cd /somewhere/lhs2TeX-1.21
$ ./configure
$ make
$ make install
```

You might need administrator permissions to perform the make install step. Alternatively, you can select your own installation location by passing the --prefix argument to configure:

```
$ ./configure --prefix=/my/local/programs
```

There are a couple of library files that come with lhs2TEX (containing basic lhs2TEX formatting directives) that need to be found by the lhs2TEX binary. The default search path is as follows:

```
{HOME}/lhs2tex-1.21//
{HOME}/lhs2tex//
{HOME}/lhs2TeX//
{HOME}/.lhs2tex-1.21//
{HOME}/.lhs2tex//
{HOME}/.lhs2TeX//
{LHS2TEX}//
/usr/local/share/lhs2tex-1.21//
/usr/local/share/lhs2tex-1.21//
/usr/local/lib/lhs2tex-1.21//
/usr/share/lhs2tex-1.21//
/usr/lib/lhs2tex-1.21//
/usr/local/share/lhs2tex//
/usr/local/lib/lhs2tex//
/usr/share/lhs2tex//
/usr/lib/lhs2tex//
/usr/local/share/lhs2TeX//
/usr/local/lib/lhs2TeX//
/usr/share/lhs2TeX//
/usr/lib/lhs2TeX//
```

Here, {HOME} and {LHS2TEX} denote the current values of the environment variables HOME and LHS2TEX. The double slash at the end of each dir means that subdirectories are also scanned. If lhs2TEX is installed to a non-standard path, you might want to set the environment variable LHS2TEX to point to the directory where lhs2TeX.fmt and the other library files have been installed to.

```
IMPORTANT: To be able to use "poly" style, the two LATEX packages polytable.sty and lazylist.sty are required!
```

Both are included in the lhs2TEX distribution (they are not part of standard LATEX distributions, although they are available from CTAN [1, 2]), and are usually installed during the normal procedure. The configure script will determine whether a suitably recent version of polytable is installed on your system, and if necessary, install both polytable.sty and lazylist.sty to your TEX system. If this is not desired

or fails (because the script cannot detect your TEX installation properly), the installation of these files can be disabled by passing the option --disable-polytable to configure. In this case, the two files must be manually installed to a location where your TEX distribution will find them. Assuming that you have a local TEX tree at /usr/local/share/texmf, this can usually be achieved by placing the files in the directory /usr/local/share/texmf/tex/latex/polytable and subsequently running

```
$ mktexlsr
```

filename database.

# 3. How to hit the ground running with lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X

When run on a literate Haskell source file, lhs2TEX classifies the input into different blocks.

**Bird-style code blocks** In the Bird-style of literate Haskell programming, all lines starting with > are interpreted as code. (To be good literate code, you must always leave a blank line before and after the code block.)

```
> main :: IO ()
> main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
```

These lines are considered by lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X as **code blocks** and are processed as such.

Lines beginning with > will be treated as code to be formatted by lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X and code to be compiled by the compiler. If you wish to hide code from the compiler, but not from lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X, you can flip the > characters around.

```
< main :: IO ()
< main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
```

There is no change in the output of lhs2TEX (with the exception of code extraction through the **code** and **newcode** styles).

**LATEX-style code blocks** The LATEX-style of literate programming is to surround code blocks with \begin{code} and \end{code}.

```
\begin{code}
main :: IO ()
main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
\end{code}
```

These lines will be treated by lhs2TEX (and a Haskell compiler) in the same way as lines beginning with >. The equivalent to lines beginning with <, is to surround the lines with \begin{spec} and \end{spec}.

```
\begin{spec}
main :: IO ()
main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"
\end{spec}
```

Unlike a Haskell compiler, lhs2TEX does not care if both styles of literate programming are used in the same file. *But*, if you are using the **code** and **newcode** styles to produce Haskell source files, the initial characters > and < will be replaced by spaces, which means that you have to indent code environments in order to create a properly indented Haskell module.

**Inline verbatim** Text between two @ characters that is not in a code block is considered inline verbatim. If you actually want a @ character to appear in the text, it needs to be escaped: @@. There is no need to escape @'s in code blocks. For example, @id :: a -> a@ appears as id :: a -> a.

**Inline code** Text between two | characters that is not in a code block is considered inline code. Again, | characters that should appear literally outside of code blocks need to be escaped: ||. For example, |id :: a  $\rightarrow$  a| appears as  $id :: a \rightarrow a$ .

**Directives** A % that is followed by the name of an lhs2TEX directive is considered as a **directive** and may cause lhs2TEX to take special actions. Directives are described in detail in Section 5.

**Special commands** Some commands are treated specially, such as occurrences of the TeX commands \eval, \perform, \verb or of the LATeX environment verbatim. The treatment of the \eval and \perform commands is covered in Section 12. The \verb command and the verbatim environment are intercepted by lhs2TeX, however, they will behave as they would without lhs2TeX.

**Everything else** Everything in the input file that does not fall into one of the above cases is classified as **plain text** and will simply pass straight through lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X.

# 4. Using lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X with style

In this section, we will walk though an example to illustrate how to utilize the styles of lhs2TEX. As we noted in Section 1, lhs2TEX operates in the **poly** style by default. Appendix A contains summaries of the more simplistic and deprecated styles: **verb**, **tt** and **math**. For each style, there will also be a short summary. Some of the points listed in the summary are simply defaults for the particular style and can actually be changed.

## 4.1. Achieving complex layouts with the "poly" style

The **poly** style permits multiple alignments and thus it is possible to construct complex layouts. The style supersedes the **math** style and lifts the alignment restrictions that the **math** style has. We will demonstrate the **poly** style with the following example as our input to lhs2TeX:

```
zip
                         :: [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [(a,b)]
zip
                             zipWith (\ab \rightarrow (a,b))
                         :: (a->b->c) -> [a]->[b]->[c]
zipWith
zipWith z (a:as) (b:bs) = z a b : zipWith z as bs
zipWith _ _ _
                             Г٦
partition
                         :: (a -> Bool) -> [a] -> ([a],[a])
partition p xs
                         = foldr select ([],[]) xs
  where select x (ts,fs)
                         | p x = (x:ts,fs)
                           | otherwise = (ts,x:fs)
```

This results in the following output:

If run in **poly** style, lhs2TEX produces LATEX code that makes use of the polytable package, a package that has been specifically designed to fit the needs that arise while formatting Haskell code. (If you are interested in the package or think that it might be useful for other purposes, you are welcome to look at the documentation for polytable [1, also distributed with lhs2TEX as polytable.pdf in the polytable directory].)

Beyond the advanced alignment options, **poly** style has all the functionality of its ancestor style. If **poly** style works for you, you should use it.

#### "poly" summary

- all formatting directives are obeyed
- conditionals and includes are handled
- inline verbatim is typeset as verbatim, whereas inline code and code blocks are typeset using a proportional font, using mathematical symbols to represent many Haskell operators.

- alignment can be flexibly specified; complex layouts are possible
- plain text is copied unchanged

## 4.2. Customizing the "poly" style

The following example demonstrates that the visual appearance of "poly" style is in no way dictated by lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X. There are several possibilities to modify the output by means of formatting directives. Here, we try to mimic the legacy **tt** style (see Section A.2) by choosing a typewriter font again and using the same symbols that are default in **tt** style.

The spaces in the code of the source file are *not* preserved—the alignment is generated by the polytable package. This is in contrast to the **tt** style we are imitating, where the spacing of the output is the spacing of the input.

## 4.3. Producing code with the "code" and "newcode" styles

These two styles are not for producing a LaTeX source file, but instead are for producing a Haskell file again. Everything that is not code is thrown away. In addition, the **newcode** style has a few extra features. It applies formatting directives, which can be used as simple macros on the Haskell source level, and it generates line pragmas for the Haskell compiler that will result in error messages pointing to the original file (before processing with lhs2TeX). The plain **code** style does not have this extra functionality. Again, **code** is mainly intended for compatibility with old documents. You should use **newcode** where possible.

#### "code" summary

- formatting directives are ignored
- conditionals and includes are handled
- code blocks that are not specifications are copied unchanged
- plain text, inline code, specification code, and inline verbatim are discarded

#### "new code" summary

- all formatting directives are obeyed

%include include a file %format formatting directive for an identifer/operator %{ begin of an 1hs2TeX group %} end of an lhs2TeX group %let set a toggle test a condition %if second part of conditional %else %elif else combined with if %endif end of a conditional %latency tweak alignment in poly style %separation tweak alignment in poly style %align set alignment column in math style %options set options for call of external program %subst primitive formatting directive %file set filename

Table 1: All lhs2TFX directives

- conditionals and includes are handled
- code blocks that are not specifications are, after applying formatting directives, copied unchanged and prefixed by a line pragma indicating the original source location of the code block
- plain text, inline code, specification code, and inline verbatim are discarded

#### 5. Directives

There are a number of directives that are understood by lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X. Some of these are specific to styles, and others are ignored in some styles. Directives can occur on all non-code lines and start with a %, the T<sub>E</sub>X comment character, immediately followed by the name of the directive, plus a list of potential arguments.

While lhs2TEX will remove directives that it has interpreted, it will simply ignore all normal TEX comments that are no directives. Therefore, if a directive is accidentally misspelled, no error message will be raised, in general.

Table 1 is a complete list of the directives that lhs2TEX knows about. Many of these directive will be explained in more detail in the following sections:

- See Section 6 for the %include directive.
- See Section 7 for the %format directive.
- See Section 7.6 for the %{ and %} directives.
- See Section 8.3 for the %separation and %latency directives.
- See Section 9 for the %let directive.
- See Section 10 for the %if, %elif, %else and %endif directives.
- See Section 12 for the %options directive.
- See Section 13 for the %subst directive.

## 6. Including files

Other files can be included by lhs2TFX; this is what the %include directive is for:

```
%include \( \filename \)
```

The specified file is searched for in the lhs2TEX source path, which can be modified using environment variables or the -P command line option (see also page 5). The include directive causes the indicated file to be read and processed, exactly as if its contents had been inserted in the current file at that point. It is the lhs2TEX equivalent of the TEX command \input. The include mechanism of lhs2TEX is entirely independent of TEX or Haskell includes/imports.

WARNING: Although relative and absolute pathnames can be specified as part of a filename in an <code>%include</code> directive, the use of this feature is strongly discouraged. Set the search path using the <code>-P</code> command line option to detect files to include.

If the -v command line flag is set, lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X will print the paths of the files it is reading on screen while processing a file.

## 6.1. The lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X "prelude"

Several aspects of the behaviour of lhs2TEX are not hardcoded, but configurable via directives. As a consequence, a minimal amount of functionality has to be defined for lhs2TEX to be able to operate normally.

Essential definitions are collected in the file polycode.fmt. You should include this file at the start of your document:

```
\documentclass{article}
%include polycode.fmt
\begin{document}
\end{document}
```

This is the appropriate prelude to use for the default **poly** style and the **newcode** style. If you intend to use one of the other styles, you should instead include the file lhs2TeX.fmt.

```
%include lhs2TeX.fmt
```

The reason for this is that some of the defaults in lhs2TeX.fmt are sub-optimal for the **poly** or **newcode** styles; the polycode.fmt prelude file has been tailored specifically for them.

One of the two files lhs2TeX.fmt or polycode.fmt should be included—directly or indirectly—in every file to be processed by lhs2TeX!

NOTE TO USERS OF PREVIOUS VERSIONS: There used to be a file lhs2TeX.sty that also contained a part of the prelude declarations. This file still exists for compatibility reasons, but it is now deprecated; it should *not* be included in any of your documents anymore.

It is perfectly possible to design your own libraries that replace or extend these basic files and to include these libraries instead. It is not recommended, though, to edit polycode.fmt orlhs2TeX.fmt files directly. If you are not satisfied with some of the default definitions, create your own file to redefine selected parts. This way, if lhs2TeX is updated, you will still be able to benefit from improvements and changes in the 'prelude' files.

It is possible to use lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X in a setup where a T<sub>E</sub>X document is split into several files. In this case, each of the files will be processed separately by lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X, so you should must include polycode.fmt (or lhs2TeX.fmt) in every single source file.

WARNING: Note that both polycode.fmt and lhs2TeX.fmt contain lhs2TeX directives, and therefore cannot be included using TeX or LATeX include mechanisms such as \input or \usepackage.

# 7. Formatting

The %format directive is a powerful tool for transforming the source file. The complete syntax that is supported by lhs2TeX is quite complex, but we will break it down by looking in detail at many different use cases.

```
%format \langle token \rangle = \langle fmttoken \rangle^* (format single tokens)

%format \langle lhs \rangle = \langle fmttoken \rangle^* (parametrized formatting)

%format \langle name \rangle (implicit formatting)

\langle lhs \rangle ::= \langle name \rangle \langle arg \rangle^* \mid (\langle name \rangle) \langle arg \rangle^*

\langle name \rangle ::= \langle varname \rangle \mid \langle conname \rangle

\langle arg \rangle ::= \langle varname \rangle \mid (\langle varname \rangle)

\langle fmttoken \rangle ::= "\langle text \rangle " \mid \langle token \rangle
```

There are three different forms of the formatting statement. The first can be used to change the appearance of most functions and operators and a few other symbols (cf. Section 7.1). The second form is restricted to named identifiers (both qualified and unqualified, but no symbolic operators); in turn, such formatting directives can be parametrized (cf. Section 7.3). Finally, the third form provides a syntactically lightweight way of formatting certain identifiers using some heuristics (cf. Section 7.7). Let us begin by looking at the first form.

## 7.1. Formatting single tokens

The most important use for %format is to assign a symbol to an identifier or an operator. The input

```
%format alpha = "\alpha"
\begin{code}
tan alpha = sin alpha / cos alpha
\end{code}
```

produces output similar to the following:

```
tan \alpha = sin \alpha / cos \alpha
```

The occurrences of alpha within the Haskell code portions of the input file are replaced by the  $T_EX$  command \alpha and thus appear as " $\alpha$ " in the output.

A lot of formatting directives for frequently used identifiers or operators are already defined in the lhs2TeX prelude. For instance, ++ is formatted as "+", undefined is formatted as "-". If you look at lhs2TeX.fmt, you will find the following directives that do the job:

```
%format ++ = "\plus "
%format undefined = "\bot "
%format not = "\neg "
```

Here, \plus refers to a LATEX macro defined in the lhs2TEX prelude:

```
\newcommand{\plus}{\mathbin{+\!\!\!+}}
```

If you are not satisfied with any of the default definitions, just redefine them (by overriding, not replacing them). A %format directive scopes over the rest of the input, and if multiple directives for the same token are defined, the last one is used. Thus, after

```
%format ++ = "\mathbin{\mathbf{+}}"
%format undefined = "\Varid{undefined}"
%format not = "!"
```

you get "+", "undefined", and "!", respectively. Note that \Varid is a macro defined in the lhs2TEX prelude that can be used to typeset identifier names. It is predefined to be the same as \mathit, but can be changed. Do not use identifier names in TEX replacements directly. For instance,

```
%% THE FOLLOWING IS BAD:
%format undefined = "undefined"
```

will cause undefined to be typeset as "undefined", which looks by far less nice than "undefined". It is also possible to define a symbol for infix uses of a function. The file lhs2TeX.fmt contains:

```
%format 'elem' = "\in "
```

This causes 2 'elem' [1,2] to be typeset as " $2 \in [1,2]$ ", whereas elem 2 [1,2] will still be typeset as "elem 2 [1,2]".

## 7.2. Nested formatting

The right hand sides of formatting directives are not restricted to (TEX-)strings. They can in fact be sequences of such strings or other tokens, separated by space. Such other tokens will be replaced by their formatting again. For example, if you have already defined a specific formatting

```
%format ~> = "\leadsto "
```

then you can later reuse that formatting while defining variants:

```
%format ~>* = ~> "^{" * "}"
```

As you can see, in this definition we reuse both the current formatting for "> and for \*. We now get "\sim\*" for ">\*, but should we decide to define

```
%format * = "\star "
```

later, we then also get "\sim \*". Of course, you can use the same mechanism for non-symbolic identifiers:

```
%format new = "\mathbf{new}"
%format text0 = text
%format text_new = text "_{" new "}"
```

will cause text0 to be typeset as "text", and text\_new will appear as "text\_new".

WARNING: There is no check for recursion in the formatting directives. Formatting directives are expanded on-demand, therefore a directive such as

```
%% THE FOLLOWING IS BAD:
%format text = "\mathsf{" text "}"
```

will not produce "text" for  $\mathtt{text}$ , but rather cause an infinite loop in  $lhs2T_E\!X$  once used.

#### 7.3. Parametrized formatting directives

Formatting directives can be parametrized. The parameters may occur one or more times on the right hand side. This form of the format directive is only available for alphanumeric identifiers. For example, the input

```
%format abs (a) = "\mathopen{|}" a "\mathclose{|}"
%format ~> = "\leadsto"
The |abs| function computes the absolute value of
an integer:
\begin{code}
abs(-2) ~> 2
\end{code}
```

produces output similar to

```
The |\cdot| function computes the absolute value of an integer: |-2| \rightsquigarrow 2
```

If the function is used with too few arguments as in the text, a default symbol is substituted (usually a \cdot, but that is customizable, cf. Section 13).

## 7.4. (No) nesting with parametrized directives

You cannot use a parametrized directive on the right hand side of another directive. In summary, the right-hand sides of formatting directives are processed as follows:

- A string, enclosed in ", will be reproduced literally (without the quotes).
- A name, if it is the name of a parameter, will be replaced by the actual (formatted) argument.
- A name, if it is the name of a non-parametrized formatting directive, will be replaced by that directive's replacement.
- Any other name will be replaced by its standard formatting.

Note that the spaces between the tokens do not occur in the output. If you want spaces, insert them explicitly with quotes.

#### 7.5. Parentheses

Sometimes, due to formatting an identifier as a symbol, parentheses around arguments, or the entire function, become unnecessary. Therefore, lhs2TEX can be instructed to drop parentheses around an argument by enclosing the argument on the left hand side of the directive in parentheses. Parentheses around the entire function are dropped if the entire left hand side of the directive is enclosed in parentheses. Let us look at another example:

The above input produces the following output:

```
ptest a b c
ptest a (b) c
(ptest (a) ((b)) (c))
```

In the first line there are no parentheses to drop. In the second line, the parentheses around the arguments a and c are dropped, as are the parentheses around the function ptest. In the third line, the source has double parentheses around each argument as well as the function. One set of parentheses are dropped in each case, except for the b argument.

Note that in this example, a special purpose operator, ^^, is used to facilitate the insertion of spaces on the right hand side of a formatting directive. You can read more about influencing spacing using formatting directives in Section 11.1.

Let us consider another example involving parentheses with the following input:

```
%format eval a = "\llbracket " a "\rrbracket "
\begin{code}
size (eval (2 + 2))
\end{code}
%format (eval (a)) = "\llbracket " a "\rrbracket "
\begin{code}
size (eval (2 + 2))
\end{code}
```

This results in

```
size ( [(2+2)])
size [2+2]
```

In the second format directive we have redefined the eval function to drop the redundant parentheses.

## 7.6. Local formatting directives

Usually, formatting directives scope over the rest of the input. If that is not desired, formatting directives can be placed into **groups**. Groups look as follows:

```
%{
...
%}
```

Formatting directives that are defined in a group only scope over the remainder of that group. Groups can also be nested. (Groups in lhs2TeX do not interact with TeX groups, so these different kinds of groups do not have to occur properly nested.)

Let us demonstrate the effect of groups with the following example input:

```
In the beginning: |one|.\par
%format one = "\mathsf{1}"
Before the group: |one|.\par
%{
%format one = "\mathsf{one}"
Inside the group: |one|.\par
%}
After the group: |one|.
```

This is appears as:

```
In the beginning: one.
Before the group: 1.
Inside the group: one.
After the group: 1.
```

On the first line, the string "one" has been formatted in italics as lhs2TEX has treated it, by default, as a Haskell identifier. On the second line of output, the first format directive from the source file has come into effect, so "one" has been rendered as a numeral in a sans-serif font. On the third line, the corresponding source is inside the group and second formatting directive is in effect. Thus, "one" has been rendered in a sans-serif font. Finally, on the fourth line, the group has closed, along with the scope of the second format directive. The original format directive applies again (as its scope extends to the end of the source file), thus, "one" has again been rendered as a numeral in a sans-serif font.

## 7.7. Implicit formatting

The third syntactic form of the formatting directive, which lacks a right hand side, can be used to easily format a frequently occurring special case, where a token is to be given a numeric subscript, or is primed. Only a variable (or constructor) name that ends in a number or a prime ' can be used in an implicit formatting statement. The prefix will then be formatted as determined by the formatting directives in the input so far. The number will be added as an index, the prime character as itself.

Let us demonstrate implicit formatting with the follow input:

```
%format omega = "\omega"
|[omega, omega13, omega', omega13']|\par
%format omega13
|[omega, omega13, omega', omega13']|\par
%format omega'
|[omega, omega13, omega', omega13']|\par
%format omega13'
|[omega, omega13, omega', omega13']|
```

The corresponding output is:

```
 \begin{array}{l} [\omega, omega13, omega', omega13'] \\ [\omega, \omega_{13}, omega', omega13'] \\ [\omega, \omega_{13}, \omega', omega13'] \\ [\omega, \omega_{13}, \omega', \omega'_{13}] \end{array}
```

Another form of implicit formatting only takes place only if the token to be formatted does not end in primes, and only if digits at the end are immediately preceded by an underscore. The reason for these conditions is compatibility. If the conditions are met, then the token is split at underscores, and the part to the right of an underscore is typeset as subscript to the part on the left, recursively. Again, let us look at an example:

```
%format a_i
%format a_j
%format left = "\leftarrow"
%format right = "\rightarrow "
%format a_left
%format a_right
%format a_let
%format a_where
%format a_x_1
%format a_x_2
%format y_1
%format y_2
%format a_y_1
%format a_y_2
%format a_y1
%format a_i'
|[a_i,a_j,a_left,a_right,a_let,a_where,a_x_1,a_x_2,a_y_1,a_y_2,a_y1,a_i']|
```

And its output:

```
[a_i, a_j, a_{\leftarrow}, a_{\rightarrow}, a_{\text{let}}, a_{\text{where}}, a_{x\_1}, a_{x\_2}, a_{y_1}, a_{y_2}, a\_y_1, a'_i]
```

## 7.8. Formatting behaviour in different styles

- Formatting directives are applied in **math**, **poly**, and **newcode** styles.
- In tt style, only non-parametrized directives apply.
- In **verb** and **code** styles, formatting directives are ignored.

A document can be prepared for processing in different styles using conditionals (cf. Section 10).

# 8. Alignment in "poly" style

While the ability to transform the appearance of the source file is probably the most important feature of lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X, certainly the next most important is the ability to maintain alignment of code elements, while using a proportional font.

Using this feature is relatively simple:

- Alignment is computed per code block.
- All tokens that start on the same column and are preceded by at least 2 spaces will appear beginning from the same vertical axis in the output.

Using these simple rules, (almost) everything is possible, but it is very important to verify the results and watch out for accidental alignments (i.e. tokens that get aligned unintentionally).

## 8.1. An example

The following example shows some of the potential. This is the input:

Look at the highlighted (gray) tokens. The 1t will not appear aligned with the two equality symbols, because it is preceded by only one space. Similarly, the m in the first line after the Leaf constructor will not be aligned with the declarations and the body of the let-statement, because it is preceded by only one space. Note furthermore that the equality symbols for the main functions rep\_alg and replace\_min' are surrounded by two spaces on both sides, also on the right. This causes the comma and the closing parenthesis to be aligned correctly. The output looks as follows:

```
 rep\_alg = (\lambda\_ \longrightarrow \lambda m \to Leaf \ m \\ , \lambda lfun \ rfun \to \lambda m \to \mathbf{let} \ lt = lfun \ m \\  rt = rfun \ m \\  \mathbf{in} \ Bin \ lt \ rt \\ ) \\ replace\_min' \ t = (cata\_Tree \ rep\_alg \ t) \ (cata\_Tree \ min\_alg \ t)
```

#### 8.2. Accidental alignment

The main danger of the alignment heuristic is that it may result in some tokens being aligned unintentionally. The following example contains illustrates this possibility:

```
%format <| = "\lhd "</pre>
> options :: [String] -> ([Class],[String])
> options = foldr (<|) ([],[])
   where "-align" <| (ds,s: as) = (Dir Align
                                                 s: ds,
                                                              as)
         ('-':'i':s) <| (ds,
                                as) = (Dir Include s : ds,
                                                              as)
         ('-':'l':s) <| (ds,
                                as) = (Dir Let s : ds,
>
                                                              as)
                      <| (ds,
                              as) = (
                                                       ds,s:
                                                              as)
```

The gray tokens will be unintentionally aligned because they start on the same column, with two or more preceding spaces each. The output looks as follows:

```
options :: [String] \rightarrow ([Class], [String])

options = foldr (\triangleleft) ([],[])

where "-align" \triangleleft (ds, s: as) = (Dir\ Align\ s: ds,\ as)

('-':'i':s) \triangleleft (ds,\ as) = (Dir\ Include\ s: ds,\ as)

('-':'1':s) \triangleleft (ds,\ as) = (Dir\ Let\ s: ds,\ as)

s \triangleleft (ds,\ as) = (ds,\ as)
```

The "::" and the "=" have been aligned with the declarations of the where-clause. This results in too much space between the two *options* tokens and the symbols. Another problems is that in this case the *centering* of the two symbols is destroyed by the alignment (cf. Section 8.7). As a result, "::" and "=" appear left-aligned, but not cleanly, because TeX inserts a different amount of whitespace around the two symbols.

The solution to all this is surprisingly simple: just insert extra spaces in the input to ensure that unrelated tokens start on different columns:

```
%format <| = "\lhd "</pre>
> options :: [String] -> ([Class],[String])
> options = foldr (<|) ([],[])
          "-align" <| (ds,s: as) = (Dir Align
                                                  s: ds,
                                                                 as)
           ('-':'i':s) <| (ds,
>
                                 as) = (Dir Include s : ds,
                                                                 as)
           ('-':'1':s) <| (ds,
>
                                 as) = (Dir Let s : ds,
                                                                 as)
                       <| (ds,
                                  as) = (
```

This produces the correct output:

```
options :: [String] \rightarrow ([Class], [String])

options = foldr (\lhd) ([], [])

where "-align" \lhd (ds, s: as) = (Dir\ Align\ s: ds, as)

('-':'i':s) \lhd (ds, as) = (Dir\ Include\ s: ds, as)

('-':'1':s) \lhd (ds, as) = (Dir\ Let\ s: ds, as)

s \qquad \lhd (ds, as) = (ds, s: as)
```

## 8.3. The full story

If you want to customize the alignment behaviour further, you can. Here is exactly what happens:

- Alignment is computed per code block.
- Per code block there are a number of **alignment columns**.
- If a token starts in column n and is prefixed by at least "separation" spaces, then n is an alignment column for the code block.
- If a token starts in an alignment column n and is prefixed by at least "latency" spaces, then the token is aligned at column n.
- All tokens that are aligned at a specific column will appear aligned (i.e. at the same horizontal position) in the output.

Both latency and separation can be modified by means of associated directives:

```
%separation \langle natural \rangle %latency \langle natural \rangle
```

It can occasionally be useful to increase the default settings of 2 and 2 for large code blocks where accidental alignments can become very likely! It does not really make sense to set latency to a value that is strictly smaller than the separation, but you can do so—there are no checks that the specified settings are sensible.

## 8.4. Indentation in "poly" style

Sometimes, lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X will insert additional space at the beginning of a line to reflect indentation. The rule is as follows.

If a line is indented in column *n*, then the *previous* code line is taken into account:

- If there is an aligned token at column n in the previous line, then the indented line will be aligned normally.
- Otherwise, the line will be indented with respect to the first aligned token in the previous line to the left of column n.

The first example demonstrates the first case:

```
> unionBy :: (a -> a -> Bool) -> [a] -> [a] -> [a] > unionBy eq xs ys = xs ++ foldl (flip (deleteBy eq)) > (nubBy eq ys)
```

In this example, there is an aligned token in the previous line at the same column, so everything is normal. The two highlighted parentheses are aligned, causing the second line to be effectively indented:

```
unionBy :: (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]
unionBy eq xs ys = xs ++ foldl (flip (deleteBy eq))
(nubBy eq ys)
```

The next example demonstrates the second case. It is the same example, with one space before the two previously aligned parentheses removed:

Here, there is no aligned token in the previous line at the same column. Therefore, the third line is indented with respect to the first aligned token in the previous line to the left of that column, which in this case happens to be the xs:

```
unionBy :: (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]

unionBy eq xs ys = xs ++ foldl (flip (deleteBy eq))

(nubBy eq ys)
```

Sometimes, this behaviour might not match the intention of the user, especially in cases as above, where there really starts a token at the same position in the previous line, but is not preceded by enough spaces. Always verify the output if the result looks as desired.

The amount of space that is inserted can be modified. A call to the TEX control sequence \hsindent is inserted at the appropriate position in the output, which gets as argument the column difference in the source between the token that is indented, and the base token. In the situation of the above example, the call is \hsindent{12}. The default definition in the lhs2TEX prelude ignores the argument and inserts a fixed amount of space:

```
\newcommand{\hsindent}[1]{\quad}
```

Here is another example that shows indentation in action, the Haskell standard function *scanr1* written using only basic pattern matching:

And the associated output:

```
scanr1 :: (a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]
scanr1 f xxs = \mathbf{case} xxs \mathbf{ of}
x : xs \rightarrow \mathbf{case} xs \mathbf{ of}
[] \rightarrow [x]
- \rightarrow \mathbf{let}
qs = scanr1 f xs
\mathbf{in}
\mathbf{case} \ qs \mathbf{ of}
q: - \rightarrow f \ x \ q: qs
```

The third line, which begins with x : xs, is an indented line, but it does not start at an alignment column from the previous line. Thus, the second rule applies and it is

indented relative to the first aligned token to the left in the previous line, which is **case**. The same explanation applies for the pattern []. The indentation of the line beginning with \_ is an example of the first rule. It is indented so as to be aligned with the token [].

## 8.5. Interaction between alignment and indentation

In rare cases, the indentation heuristic can lead to surprising results. This is an example:

```
%format foo = verylongfoo
\begin{code}
test 1
foo bar
    2
\end{code}
```

#### And its output:

```
test 1
verylongfoo bar
2
```

Here, the large amount of space between *test* and 1 might be surprising. However, the 1 is aligned with the 2, but 2 is also indented with respect to *bar*, so everything is according to the rules. The "solution" is to verify if both the alignment between 1 and 2 and the indentation of the 2 are intended, and to remove or add spaces accordingly.

#### 8.6. Interaction between alignment and formatting

If a token at a specific column is typeset according to a formatting directive, then the first token of the replacement text inherits the column position of the original token. The other tokens of the replacement text will never be aligned. Actual arguments of parametrized formatting directives keep the column positions they have in the input.

#### 8.7. Centered and right-aligned columns

Under certain circumstances lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X decides to typeset a column centered instead of left-aligned. This happens if the following two conditions hold:

- There is at most one token per line that is associated with the column.
- At least one of the tokens associated with the column is a symbol.

In most cases, this matches the intention. If it does not, there still might be the possibility to trick lhs2TEX to do the right thing:

Change the alignment behaviour of the column using \aligncolumn (see below).

1	left-align column
С	center column
r	right-align column
$p \{\langle dimen \rangle\}$	make column of fixed width $\langle dimen \rangle$
$00\{\langle tex \rangle\}$	can be used before or after the letter specifying alignment to suppress inter-column space and typeset $\langle tex \rangle$ instead; note that this is usually achieved using just one @, but as lhs2TeX interprets the @, it must be escaped
>{\\(\tex\)}	can be used before the letter specifying the alignment to insert $\langle tex \rangle$ directly in front of the entry of the column
<{⟨ <i>tex</i> ⟩}	can be used after the letter specifying the alignment to insert $\langle tex \rangle$ directly after the entry of the column

Table 2: Column specifiers for \aligncolumn

- If the column is centered but should not be, add extra tokens that are formatted as nothing that will be associated with the column (see also Section 11.1 about spacing).
- If the column should be centered but is left-aligned, it is sometimes possible
  to use a symbol instead of an alphanumeric identifier, and add a formatting
  directive for that newly introduced symbol.

The syntax of the \aligncolumn command is:

```
\verb|\aligncolumn {| (integer)|} {| (column-specifier)|}
```

The *\langle integer \rangle* denotes the number (i.e. as displayed by the editor) of a column. Note that lhs2TeX starts counting columns at 1. As *\langle column-specifier \rangle* one can use about the same strings that one can use to format a column in a tabular environment using the LaTeX array [4] package. Table 2 has a short (and not necessarily complete) overview.

TODO: ADD EXAMPLE!!

#### 8.8. Saving and restoring column information

It is possible to share alignment information between different code blocks. This can be desirable, especially when one wants to interleave the definition of a single function with longer comments. This feature is implemented on the TEX level (the commands are defined in the lhs2TEX prelude).

Here is an example of its use:

```
\savecolumns
\begin{code}
intersperse
                       :: a -> [a] -> [a]
              []
intersperse _
                       = []
intersperse _
                [x]
                            [x]
\end{code}
The only really interesting case is the one for lists
containing at least two elements:
\restorecolumns
\begin{code}
intersperse sep (x:xs) = x : sep : intersperse sep xs
\end{code}
```

As output we get:

```
intersperse :: a \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]

intersperse _ [] = []

intersperse _ [x] = [x]

The only really interesting case is the one for lists containing at least two elements:

intersperse sep (x:xs) = x:sep:intersperse sep xs
```

Compare this to the output that would be generated without the \savecolumns and \restorecolumns commands:

```
intersperse :: a \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [a]
intersperse _ [] = []
intersperse _ [x] = [x]
```

The only really interesting case is the one for lists containing at least two elements:

```
intersperse\ sep\ (x:xs)=x:sep:intersperse\ sep\ xs
```

IMPORTANT: If this feature is used, it may require several runs of LATEX until all code blocks are correctly aligned. Watch out for warnings of the polytable package that tell you to rerun LATEX!

# 9. Defining variables

One can define or define flags (or variables) by means of the %let directive.

```
\begin{tabular}{ll} % let $\langle varname \rangle = \langle expression \rangle$ \\ $\langle expression \rangle ::= \langle application \rangle \langle operator \rangle \langle application \rangle^*$ \\ $\langle application \rangle ::= not? \langle atom \rangle$ \\ $\langle atom \rangle ::= \langle varid \rangle \mid True \mid False \mid \langle string \rangle \mid \langle numeral \rangle \mid (\langle expression \rangle)$ \\ $\langle operator \rangle ::= \&\& \mid | \mid | == \mid /= \mid <\mid <=\mid >=\mid >\mid ++\mid +\mid -\mid *\mid / \end{tabular}
```

Expressions are built from booleans (either True or False), numerals (integers, but also decimal numbers) and previously defined variables using some fixed set of builtin operators. The expression will be evaluated completely at the time the %let directive is processed. If an error occurs during evaluation, lhs2TeX will fail.

Variables can also be passed to lhs2TEX from the operating system level by using the -1 or -s command line options.

The main use of variables is in conditionals (cf. Section 10). At the moment, there is no way to directly use the value of a variable in a %format directive.

#### 9.1. Predefined variables

In every run of lhs2TEX, the version of lhs2TEX is available as a numerical value in the predefined variable version. Similarly, the current style is available as an integer in the predefined variable style. There also are integer variables verb, tt, math, poly, code, and newcode predefined that can be used to test style.

It is thus possible to write documents in a way that they can be processed beautifully in different styles, or to make safe use of new lhs2TEX features by checking its version first.

#### 10. Conditionals

Boolean expressions can be used in conditionals. The syntax of an lhs2TEX conditional is

```
%if ⟨expression⟩
...
%elif ⟨expression⟩
...
%else
...
%endif
```

where the %elif and %else directives are optional. There may be arbitrarily many %elif directives. When an %if directive is encountered, the expression is evaluated, and depending on the result of the evaluation of the expression, only the then or only the else part of the conditional is processed by lhs2TFX, the other part is ignored.

#### 10.1. Uses of conditionals

These are some of the most common uses of conditionals:

- One can have different versions of one paper in one (set of) source file(s). Depending on a flag, lhs2TeX can produce either the one or the other. Because the flag can be defined via a command line option (cf. Section 9), no modification of the source is necessary to switch versions.
- Code that is needed to make the Haskell program work but that should not appear in the formatted article (module headers, auxiliary definitions), can be enclosed between %if False and %endif directives.
- Alternatively, if Haskell code has to be annotated for lhs2TEX to produce aesthetically pleasing output, one can define different formatting directives for the annotation depending on style (poly or newcode). Both code and TEX file can then still be produced from a common source! Section 11.4 contains an example that puts this technique to use.

The lhs2TEX library files use conditionals to include different directives depending on the style selected, but they also use conditionals to provide additional or modified behaviour if some flags are set. These flags are underlineKeywords, spacePreserving, meta (activate a number of additional formatting directives), array (use array environment instead of tabular to format code blocks in math style; use parray instead of pboxed in poly style), latex209 (adapt for use with LATEX 2.09 (not supported anymore)), euler, and standardsymbols. It is likely that these flags will be replaced by a selection of library files that can be selectively included in documents in future versions of lhs2TeX.

# 11. Typesetting code beyond Haskell

#### 11.1. Spacing

There is no full Haskell parser in lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X. Instead, the input code is only lexed and subsequently parsed by an extremely simplified parser. The main purpose of the parser is to allow a simple heuristic where to insert spaces into the output while in **math** or **poly** style.

The disadvantage is that in rare cases, this default spacing produces unsatisfying results. However, there is also a big advantage: dialects of Haskell can be processed by lhs2TEX, too. In theory, even completely different languages can be handled. The more difference between Haskell and the actual input language, the more tweaking is probably necessary to get the desired result.

An easy trick to modify the behaviour of lhs2TEX is to insert "dummy" operators that do not directly correspond to constructs in the input language, but rather provide hints to lhs2TEX on how to format something. For instance, spacing can be guided completely by the following two formatting directives:

```
%format ^ = " "
%format ^^ = "\;"
```

Use ^ everywhere where *no* space is desired, but the automatic spacing of lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X would usually place one. Conversely, use ^^ everywhere where a space *is* desired, but lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X does usually not place one.

As described in Section 10, one can use conditionals to format such annotated input code in both **poly** (or **math**) and newcode style to generate both typeset document and code with annotation remove from a single source file. For this to work correctly, one would define

```
%if style == newcode
%format ^ =
%format ^^ = " "
%else
%format ^ = " "
%format ^^ = "\;"
%endif
```

as an extended version of the above. This instructs lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X to ignore ^ and replace ^^ by a single space while in **newcode** style, and to adjust spacing in other styles, as before.

The examples in the following subsections show these directives in use.

## 11.2. Inline T<sub>F</sub>X

Another possibility that can help to trick lhs2TEX into doing things it normally doesn't want to is to insert inline TEX code directly into the code block by using a special form of Haskell comment:

```
{-"\langle tex\rangle "-}
```

If this construct appears in a code block, then  $\langle tex \rangle$  is inserted literally into the output file. The advantage of this construct over a dummy operator is that if the input language is indeed Haskell, one does not need to sacrifice the syntactic validity of the source program for nice formatting. On the other hand, inline TeX tends to be more verbose than an annotation using a formatting directive.

#### 11.3. AG code example

Here is an example that shows how one can typeset code of the Utrecht University Attribute Grammar (UUAG) ([3]) system, which is based on Haskell, but adds additional syntactic constructs.

The input

```
%format ^ = " "
%format ^^ = "\;"
%format ATTR = "\mathbf{ATTR}"
%format SEM = "\mathbf{SEM}"
%format lhs = "\mathbf{lhs}"
%format . = "."
format * = "\times "
%format (A(n)(f)) = 0 n . f
\begin{code}
ATTR Expr Factor [ ^^ | ^^ | numvars : Int ]
ATTR Expr Factor [ ^^ | ^^ | value
SEM Expr
 | Sum
            lhs . value = A left value + A right value
                 . numvars = A left numvars + A right numvars
SEM Factor
 | Prod
            lhs . value = A left value * A right value
                  . numvars = A left numvars + A right numvars
\end{code}
```

produces the following output:

```
ATTR Expr Factor [ | | numvars : Int]
ATTR Expr Factor [ | | value : Int]

SEM Expr
| Sum
| lhs.value = @left.value + @right.value
| .numvars = @left.numvars + @right.numvars

SEM Factor
| Prod
| lhs.value = @left.value × @right.value
| .numvars = @left.numvars + @right.numvars
```

## 11.4. Generic Haskell example

Another example of a Haskell variant that can be typeset using lhs2T<sub>E</sub>X using some annotations is Generic Haskell [5].

This is a possible input file, including the directives necessary to be able to process it in both **newcode** and **poly** style.

```
%if style == newcode
%format ^
%format ti(a) = "{|" a "|}"
%format ki(a) = "{[" a "]}"
%else
%else
%format ^ = " "
%format ^^ = "\;"
\newcommand{\lty}{\mathopen{\{\mskip-3.4mu||}}
\label{ty}{\mathbf x}{\mathbf x}_{\mathbf x}=(\mathbf x,\mathbf x)
\label{liki} $$\operatorname{\mathbb{L}i}_{\mathbb{S}} \
\newcommand{\rki}{\mathclose{]\mskip-3.5mu\}}}
%format t1
%format t2
%format a1
%format a2
format r_ = "\rho "
%format s_ = "\sigma "
%format k_ = "\kappa "
%format forall a = "\forall " a
%format . = "."

%format mapa = map "_{" a "}"

%format mapb = map "_{" b "}"
%format :*: = "\times "
%endif
type Map^ki(*) t1 t2 = t1 -> t2
type Map^ki(r_ -> s_) t1 t2 = forall a1 a2. Map^ki(r_) a1 a2
                                               -> Map^ki(s_) (t1 a1) (t2 a2)
map^ti(t :: k_)
                                        :: Map^ki(k_) t t
map^ti(t :: k_)
map^ti(Unit)
map^ti(Int)
map^ti(Prod) mapa mapb (a :*: b) =
                                             mapa a :*: mapb b
\end{code}
```

Processed in **poly** style, the output looks as follows:

```
 \begin{array}{lll} \mbox{type } \textit{Map} \{ [*] \} & t_1 \ t_2 & = t_1 \rightarrow t_2 \\ \mbox{type } \textit{Map} \{ [\rho \rightarrow \sigma] \} \ t_1 \ t_2 & = \forall a_1 \ a_2. \textit{Map} \{ [\rho] \} \ a_1 \ a_2 \\ & \rightarrow \textit{Map} \{ [\sigma] \} \ (t_1 \ a_1) \ (t_2 \ a_2) \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Unit] \} & :: \ \textit{Map} \{ [\kappa] \} \ t \ t \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Unit] \} & i & = Unit \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Sum] \} & i & = i \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Sum] \} & map_a \ map_b \ (Inl \ a) & = Inl \ (map_a \ a) \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Sum] \} & map_a \ map_b \ (Inr \ b) & = Inr \ (map_b \ b) \\ \mbox{\it map} \{ [Prod] \} & map_a \ map_b \ (a \times b) & = map_a \ a \times map_b \ b \\ \end{array}
```

## 11.5. Calculation example

The following example shows a calculational proof. The input

```
\def\commentbegin{\quad\{\}}
\def\commentend{\}}
\begin{spec}
    map (+1) [1,2,3]

== {- desugaring of |(:)| -}
    map (+1) (1 : [2,3])

== {- definition of |map| -}
    (+1) 1 : map (+1) [2,3]

== {- performing the addition on the head -}
    2 : map (+1) [2,3]

== {- recursive application of |map| -}
    2 : [3,4]

== {- list syntactic sugar -}
    [2,3,4]
\end{spec}
```

#### produces

```
map (+1) [1,2,3]

\equiv \{ \text{desugaring of } (:) \}
map (+1) (1:[2,3])

\equiv \{ \text{definition of } map \}
(+1) 1: map (+1) [2,3]

\equiv \{ \text{performing the addition on the head } \}
2 : map (+1) [2,3]

\equiv \{ \text{recursive application of } map \}
2 : [3,4]

\equiv \{ \text{list syntactic sugar } \}
[2,3,4]
```

# 12. Calling hugs or ghci

It is possible to call ghci or hugs using the %options directive. In all but the two **code** styles, lhs2TEX looks for calls to the **TEX commands** \eval and \perform and feeds their arguments to the Haskell interpreter selected.

The current input file will be the active module. This has a couple of consequences: on the positive side, values defined in the current source file may be used in the expressions; on the negative side, the feature will only work if the current file is accepted as legal input by the selected interpreter.

If the command line in the %options directive starts with ghci, then lhs2TEX assumes that ghci is called; otherwise, it assumes that hugs is called. Depending on the interpreter, lhs2TEX will use some heuristics to extract the answer from the output of the interpreter. After this extraction, the result will either be printed as inline verbatim (for a \perform) or as inline code (for \eval), to which formatting directives apply.

WARNING: This feature is somewhat fragile: different versions of ghoi and hugs show different behaviour, and the extraction heuristics can sometimes fail. Do not expect too much from this feature.

## 12.1. Calling ghci – example

The following input shows an example of how to call ghci:

```
%options ghci -XRankNTypes -fprint-explicit-foralls
> fix :: forall a. (a -> a) -> a
> fix f = f (fix f)

This function is of type \eval{:t fix},
and |take 10 (fix ('x':))|
evaluates to \eval{take 10 (fix ('x':))}.
```

The options are necessary to make ghci accept and print the forall keyword (it only serves as an example here how to pass options to the interpreter). The output will look similar to this:

Note that it is possible to pass interpreter commands such as :t to the external program.

#### 12.2. Calling hugs – example

The same could be achieved using hugs instead of ghci. For this simple example, the output is almost indistinguishable, only that hugs usually does not print type signatures using explicit quantification and tends to use different variable names.

```
%options hugs -98

> fix :: forall a. (a -> a) -> a
> fix f = f (fix f)

This function is of type \eval{:t fix},
and |take 10 (fix ('x':))|
evaluates to \eval{take 10 (fix ('x':))}.
```

The input is the same except for the changed %options directive. The output now looks as follows:

```
fix :: \forall a.(a \to a) \to a 

fix f = f (fix f)
```

This function is of type **?hugs not found?**, and *take* 10 (fix ('x':)) evaluates to **?hugs not found?**.

## 12.3. Using a preprocessor

The situation is more difficult if the current lhs2TEX source file is not valid input to the interpreter, because annotations were needed to format some Haskell extensions satisfactory. The following input file makes use of Template Haskell, and uses the formatting directives for both **newcode** and **poly** style. The %options directive instructs ghci to use lhs2TEX itself as the literate preprocessor, using the -pgmL option of ghci. The lhs2TEX binary itself acts as a suitable literate preprocessor if the --pre command line option is passed, which is achieved using the -optL--pre option:

```
%format SPL(x) = $ ( x )
%if style == newcode
%format QU(x) = [ | x | ]
%format ^ = " "
%else
%format QU(x) = "\llbracket " x "\rrbracket "
%format ^ = "\; "
%endif
%options ghci -fth -pgmL ../lhs2TeX -optL--pre
This is a rather stupid way of computing |42| using
Template Haskell:
> answer = SPL(foldr1 (\x y -> QU(SPL(x) + SPL(y))) (replicate 21 ^ QU(2)))
The answer is indeed \eval{answer}.
```

This is the corresponding output:

This is a rather stupid way of computing 42 using Template Haskell:

```
answer = \{(foldr1 (\lambda x y \rightarrow [\![ x(x) + y(y) ]\!]) (replicate 21 [\![ 2]\!]))\}
```

The answer is indeed 42.

#### 13. Advanced customization

There is one directive that has not yet been described: %subst. This directive is used by lhs2TeX to customize almost every aspect of its output. The average user will and should not need to use a %subst directive, but if one wants to influence the very nature of the code generated by lhs2TeX, the %subst directives provide a way to do it.

If one would, for instance, want to generate output for another TeX format such as plainTeX or ConTeXt, or if one would want to use a different package than polytable to do the alignment on the TeX side, then the %subst directives are a good place to start. The default definitions can be found in lhs2TeX.fmt.

Table 3 shows only a short description of the approximate use of each of the categories.

# 14. Pitfalls/FAQ

The document consists of multiple files. Can lhs2TEX be used? One option is to use %include rather than LATEX commands to include all files in the master file. The other is to process all files that contain code and the master file with lhs2TEX. All files to be processed with lhs2TEX must contain an %include lhs2TeX.fmt (or %include polycode.fmt) statement. From version 1.11 on, including lhs2TeX.sty is no longer necessary.

Yes, but the master file should be pure LATEX. Create a file mylhs2tex.lhs with just one line, namely %include lhs2TeX.fmt. Process that file with lhs2TeX, using the options you also use for the other included files. Call the resulting file mylhs2tex.sty and say \usepackage{mylhs2tex} at the beginning of your master file.

The spacing around my code blocks is bad (nonexistent) in "poly" style. Add the line %include polycode.fmt to the preamble of your document.

LATEX complains when using lhs2TEX in "poly" style with the beamer package. Add the line %include polycode.fmt to the preamble of your document.

LATEX complains when using lhs2TEX in "poly" style with the jfp class. Add the line %include jfpcompat.fmt to the preamble of your document.

LATEX claims that the package polytable (or lazylist) cannot be found, or that the version installed on your system is too old. Did you install polytable.sty (or lazylist.sty) in your TeX system manually? If you have absolutely no idea how to

thinspace	how to produce a small quantity of horizontal space
space	how to produce a normal horizontal space
newline	how to produce a new line inside a code block
verbnl	how to produce a new line in lhs2T <sub>E</sub> X generated verbatim
blankline	how to translate a blank line in a code block
dummy	how to display a missing argument in a formatted function
spaces a	how to format the whitespace contained in <i>a</i>
special a	how to format the special character <i>a</i>
verb a	how to format the (already translated) inline verbatim text <i>a</i>
verbatim a	how to format an (already translated) verbatim block <i>a</i>
inline a	how to format (already translated) inline code <i>a</i>
code a	how to format an (already translated) code block a
conid a	how to format an identifier starting with an upper-case character <i>a</i>
varid a	how to format an identifier starting with a lower-case character <i>a</i>
consym a	how to format a constructor symbol <i>a</i>
${\tt varsym}a$	how to format a variable symbol <i>a</i>
backquoted a	how to format a backquoted operator <i>a</i>
numeral a	how to format a numeral a
char a	how to format a character literal <i>a</i>
string a	how to format a literal string <i>a</i>
comment a	how to format an (already translated) one-line comment <i>a</i>
nested a	how to format an (already translated) nested comment <i>a</i>
pragma a	how to format an (already translated) compiler pragma <i>a</i>
tex a	how to format inlines TFX code
keyword a	how to format the Haskell keyword <i>a</i>
column1 a	how to format an (already translated) line <i>a</i> in one column in <b>math</b> style
hskip a	how to produce a horizontal skip of <i>a</i> units
phantom a	how to produce horizontal space of the width of the (already translated)
•	text a
column3 a	how to format an (already translated) line <i>a</i> in three columns in <b>math</b>
	style
fromto <i>b e a</i>	how to format a column starting at label <i>b</i> , ending at label <i>e</i> , containing
	the (already translated) code <i>a</i> in <b>poly</b> style
column n a	how to define a column of label <i>n</i> with (already processed) format string
	a in <b>poly</b> style
centered	the format string to use for a centered column
left	the format string to use for a left-aligned column
dummycol	the format string to use for the dummy column (a column that does not
<b>J</b>	contain any code; needed due to deficiencies of the polytable imple-
	mentation)
indent n	how to produce an indentation (horizontal space) of $n$ units

Table 3: A short description of the  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\tt \#Subst}}}$  directives

do this, you may try to copy both polytable.sty and lazylist.sty from the lhs2TEX distribution into your working directory.

Haskell strings are displayed without double quotes. This is a result from using an old lhs2TeX. fmt file together with a new version of lhs2TeX. Usually, this stems from the fact that there is an old version in the working directory. Now, lhs2TeX maintains a search path for included files, thus usually a local old copy of lhs2TeX.fmt can be removed.

In "math" style, I have aligned several symbols on one column, but lhs2TEX still won't align the code block. Did you set the alignment column correctly using the %align directive? Note also that lhs2TEX starts counting columns beginning with 1, whereas some editors might start counting with 0.

Large parts of the formatted file look completely garbled. Passages are formatted as code or verbatim, although they are plain text. Conversely, things supposed to be code or verbatim are typeset as text. You probably forgot multiple | or @ characters. Because lhs2TeX identifies both the beginning and end of inline code or inline verbatim via the same character, one missing delimiter can confuse lhs2TeX and cause large passages to be typeset in the wrong way. You should locate the first position in the document where something goes wrong and look for a missing delimiter at the corresponding position in the source file.

LATEX complains about a "nested \fronto" in "poly" style. This usually is a problem with one of your formatting directives. If you start a TEX group in one of your directives but do not close it, then this error arises. You should not write such unbalanced formatting directives unless you make sure that they do never span an aligned column.

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# A. Deprecated styles

In this Appendix, we will cover the styles that were omitted from Section 4. We will demonstrate them with the same common example. As before, each style will include a short summary. Some of the points listed in the summary are simply defaults for the particular style and can actually be changed.

## A.1. Verbatim: "verb" style

In **verb** style, the code shows up in the formatted document exactly as it has been entered, i.e. verbatim. All spaces are preserved, and a non-proportional font is used.

One does not need lhs2TEX to achieve such a result. This style, however, does not make use of an internal TEX verbatim construct. The implementation of verbatim environments in TEX is somewhat restricted, and the preprocessor approach may prove more flexible in some situations. For example, it is easier to apply additional formatting instructions to the output as a whole, such as placing the code in a colored box.

#### Verbatim summary

- formatting directives are ignored
- conditionals and includes are handled
- inline code, inline verbatim, and code blocks are all typeset completely verbatim, using a typewriter font
- all spaces in code blocks are preserved
- plain text is copied unchanged

### A.2. Space-preserving formatting with "tt" style

The **tt** style is very similar to **verb** style, but applies a tiny bit of formatting to the code and allows for more customizabilty:

```
zip :: [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [(a,b)]

zip = zipWith (\lambda a \ b \rightarrow (a,b))

zipWith :: (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [c]

zipWith z (a:as) \ (b:bs) = z \ a \ b : zipWith z \ as \ bs

zipWith _ = = []

partition :: (a \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow ([a],[a])

partition p xs = foldr select ([],[]) xs

where select x (ts,fs) \mid p \ x = (x:ts,fs)

\mid otherwise = (ts,x:fs)
```

By default, some of the Haskell symbols are expressed more naturally. For instance, special symbols are being used for the arrows or the lambda. In addition, the user can specify additional formatting directives to affect the appearance of certain identifiers. In this way, keywords can be highlighted, user-defined Haskell infix operators can be replaced by more appropriate symbols etc. In this style, the layout and all spaces from the source file are still preserved, and a non-proportional font is used, as in **verb** style.

#### Typewriter summary

- non-recursive formatting directives are obeyed
- conditionals and includes are handled
- inline verbatim is typeset as verbatim, whereas inline code and code blocks are typeset almost verbatim, after formatting directives are applied, in a typewriter font using some special symbols to "beautify" some Haskell operators.
- all spaces in code blocks are preserved
- plain text is copied unchanged

## A.3. Proportional vs. Monospaced

Usually, there is a tradeoff between restricting oneself to the use of a typewriter font and not using any formatting and using a proportional font, at the same time replacing operators with mathematical symbols, using different font shapes to highlight keywords etc. While the latter offers far more flexibility, the proportional font might destroy (at least part of) the layout that the programmer has employed in order to make the source code more readable.

Compare, for example, the previous two examples with the following result (this is a negative example, lhs2TEX can do far better than that!!):

```
zip :: [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [(a,b)]

zip = zipWith (\lambda a b \rightarrow (a,b))

zipWith :: (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [c]

zipWith z (a : as) (b : bs) = z \ a \ b : zipWith z \ as \ bs

zipWith \_\_ = []

partition :: (a \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow ([a], [a])

partition \ p \ xs = foldr \ select \ ([], []) \ xs

\mathbf{where} \ select \ x \ (ts,fs) \mid p \ x = (x : ts,fs)

\mid otherwise = (ts, x : fs)
```

While the indentation is kept (otherwise, for the layout sensitive Haskell it would be even disastrous, because the code might no longer be valid), alignment that has been present in the code lines has been lost. For example, in the input the user had decided to align all equality symbols of all three function definitions, and also align them with the "has-type" operator ::.

Without support from a tool like lhs2TEX, the horizontal positions of the equality symbols in the formatted code are totally unrelated. A solution to this problem is of course to put the Haskell code in a LATEX table. Doing this manually, though, is very cumbersome and in some case still quite hard. The task of the formatted styles of lhs2TEX is thus to spare the user the burden of cluttering up the code with formatting annotations. Most of the time, completely un-annotated code can be used to achieve good results, using the fonts you like while maintaining alignment information in the code!

## A.4. Alignment and formatting with "math" style

In prior versions of lhs2TEX, **math** style was the mode to use for formatted Haskell code. There is one alignment column, often used to align the equality symbols of several equations. Additionally, indentation is handled automatically. User-defined formatting directives can be used to alter the formatting of identifiers, operators and symbols in many places.

The example shows that there is still a loss of alignment information compared to the original verbatim example. The three arguments of the *zipWith* function as well as the two guarded equations in the definition of *select* are not aligned. At the moment,

math style exists mainly to maintain compatibility with old documents. New features may be added to **poly** style only.

# "math" summary

- all formatting directives are obeyedconditionals and includes are handled
- inline verbatim is typeset as verbatim, whereas inline code and code blocks are typeset using a proportional font, using mathematical symbols to represent many Haskell operators.
- indentation in code blocks is preserved; furthermore, alignment on a single column is possible
- plain text is copied unchanged