

# The comicsans package\*

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## 1 Introduction

The comicsans package makes Microsoft's Comic Sans font available to  $\text{\LaTeX} 2_{\epsilon}$ . comicsans supports all of the following:

- Roman text, **boldface text**, `SMALL-CAPS TEXT`, and—with a little extra effort—*italic text*
- Кириллица (римский шрифт, **жирный шрифт**, *каллиграфический шрифт*)
- Mathematics using Comic Sans wherever possible:

$$y'(x) \approx 3 \times 10^{\log_3 2x} + \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \frac{x_k}{p_{k-1}}$$

Comic Sans is a TrueType (TTF) font. As such, it works particularly well with `pdf $\text{\LaTeX}$` , which natively supports TrueType fonts. Some  $\text{\TeX}$  distributions also support dynamic conversion of TTF to PK (a bitmapped font format long used by  $\text{\TeX}$ ) so  $\text{\TeX}$  backends other than `pdf $\text{\TeX}$`  can (indirectly) utilize TrueType fonts, as well.

## 2 Installation

First, you need the Comic Sans and Comic Sans Bold TrueType files (`comic.ttf` and `comicbd.ttf`). Until recently, these were available from <http://www.microsoft.com/typography/fontpack/default.htm> packaged as `comic32.exe` (Windows 32-bit executable), `comic.exe` (Windows 16-bit executable), and `ComicSansMS.sit.hqx`

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(Macintosh BinHex/StuffIt). Unfortunately, as that Web page now indicates, "Microsoft's TrueType core fonts for the Web are no longer available for download from [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com)." Microsoft's license agreement does permit redistribution of the fonts in their original format, and a number of sites have begun redistributing Comic Sans and other Microsoft core fonts. Search the Web for whichever of `comic32.exe`, `comic.exe`, or `ComicSansMS.sit.hqx` is appropriate for your platform and use that. On Linux, your best bet is to use the freely available `cabextract` utility to extract `comic.ttf` and `comicbd.ttf` from `comic32.exe`. For RPM-based Linux distributions, <http://corefonts.sourceforge.net/> provides instructions on how to construct and install an RPM of Microsoft's TrueType core fonts for the Web.

Install `comic.ttf` and `comicbd.ttf` in an appropriate,  $\TeX$ -accessible location such as `/usr/local/share/texmf/fonts/ttf/microsoft/comicsans/`. ( $\TeX$  distributions for Microsoft Windows may automatically search the system font directory but I haven't yet tested this hypothesis.)

To use the T2A-encoded Cyrillic versions of Comic Sans you'll need to install the `cyrfinst` package, which is available from CTAN.<sup>1</sup>

Because Microsoft doesn't make a Comic Sans Italic, and because TTF fonts don't accept the `SlantFont` modification, we need some way of handling italicized text. The best alternative is to convert the TTF fonts to PostScript Type 1 format and use `SlantFont` to dynamically create oblique variants. It may be possible to use `ttf2pt1` to do the conversion but I don't know how to specify the various  $\TeX$  font encodings. Instead, I use a (free) program called PfaEdit to convert TTF to Type 1:

**$\TeX$  base 1 (8r) encoding** Open `comic.ttf` in PfaEdit. Select Element→Font Info..., click on the Encoding tab, and select "TeX" for the encoding. Click OK. Go to File→Generate Fonts... and create `rcomic8r.pfb`. Follow an analogous procedure to generate `rcomicbd8r.pfb` from `comicbd.ttf`.

**T2A Adobe encoding (Cyrillic)** Follow the same steps as above, but for Encoding, click on Load, select the `t2a.enc` file, then choose T2AAdobeEncoding for the encoding. Generate `rcomiccyr.pfb` from `comic.ttf` and `rcomiccyrbd.pfb` from `comicbd.ttf`.

If you're unable to run PfaEdit on your system and you can't find an alternate TTF→PFB converter, don't worry. Although you won't be able to typeset italics, Section 3 describes some `comicsans` package options that make Comic Sans utilize either underlined or boldfaced text for emphasis.

The `comicsans` package consists of a large number of font files. These are organized in a TDS-compliant subdirectory rooted at `texmf`. You should be able to copy `comicsans`'s `texmf` tree directly onto your  $\TeX$

<sup>1</sup>In practice only `t2a.enc` need be installed.

tree (i.e., `/usr/local/share/texmf`, `C:\localtexmf`, or wherever you normally install T<sub>E</sub>X files). Don't forget to refresh the filename database if necessary. See <http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=instpackages> for general information about package installation.

Finally, most T<sub>E</sub>X backends need to be told that `comicsans.map` contains the mappings from T<sub>E</sub>X font names to TTF font names. In the t<sub>E</sub>X T<sub>E</sub>X distribution this is largely automatic; simply add `comicsans.map` to the `extra_modules` section of the `updmap` configuration file and re-run `updmap`.<sup>2</sup> In other T<sub>E</sub>X distributions each backend must be configured independently:

**pdfT<sub>E</sub>X/pdfL<sub>A</sub>T<sub>E</sub>X** Add a `"map +comicsans.map"` line to your `pdftex.cfg` file.

**Dvips** Add a `"p +comicsans.map"` line to your `config.ps` file.

**YAP** Add a `"p +comicsans.map"` line to your `miktex.map` file.

**Xdvi** Add a `"p +comicsans.map"` line to your `config.gsftopk` file (or create a new `config.gsftopk` file if you don't already have one and install it in the directory that contains `config.ps`).

### 3 Usage

Load `comicsans` like any other L<sub>A</sub>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub> package, by putting `"\usepackage{comicsans}"` in your document's preamble. This sets the default roman, typewriter, and sans-serif typefaces as shown in Table 1. Courier Bold is typeset 10% larger than the requested point size. This provides a better visual match to Comic Sans.

Style	Default	With comicsans
Roman	Computer Modern	Comic Sans
Typewriter	Computer Modern Typewriter	<b>Courier Bold</b>
Sans-serif	Computer Modern Sans Serif	Helvetica

Table 1: comicsans font-family redefinitions

**ulem<sup>ph</sup>** L<sub>A</sub>T<sub>E</sub>X's `\emph` is usually defined to produce italics. Unfortunately, Comic Sans doesn't include an italic variant. One alternative is to generate a slanted PostScript version of Comic Sans as described in Section 2. If this is too inconvenient or impossible an alternative is to use `comicsans`'s `ulemph` package option. With `ulemph`, `comicsans` utilizes the `soul` package's underlining capabilities to typeset emphasized text like this. The drawback—apart from being ugly—is that underlining is limited to `\emph`; it doesn't work with

<sup>2</sup>You'll need to specify the full path to `comicsans.map` if you didn't install it in the same directory as `updmap`.

`\em` or any of the italic macros (`\textit`, `\itshape`, `\it`, etc.), which are redefined as do-nothing commands. Also, underlined emphasis tends to fail when used in math mode.

**boldemph** The `boldemph` package option, like `ulem`, alters the way that emphasized text is rendered in  $\LaTeX$ . `boldemph` typesets `\emph` and `\em` in boldface like **this**. The various italic macros are redefined as do-nothing commands.

**largesymbols** Mathematical typesetting is clearly not a priority to Microsoft. As a result Comic Sans lacks most of the math characters that  $\TeX$  requires. The `comicsans` package utilizes characters from the Computer Modern family to make up for this absence. While many of the characters are more-or-less compatible, the large symbols, with their thin strokes and serifed ends, particularly stand out to my eye:

$$y'(x) \approx 3 \times 10^{\log_3 2^{\hat{\epsilon}}} + \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \frac{\xi_k}{p_{k-1}}$$

The `largesymbols` package option uses Comic Sans for a number of additional large symbols. The advantage of `largesymbols` is that more mathematical characters match the body font. The disadvantage—and the reason that `largesymbols` is off by default—is that the large symbols are merely scaled versions of their smaller counterparts, which unfortunately implies that their thickness scales as well:

$$y'(x) \approx 3 \times 10^{\log_3 2^{\hat{\epsilon}}} + \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \frac{\xi_k}{p_{k-1}}$$

With the `largesymbols` package option `comicsans` gives you the ability to decide for yourself which is the lesser of the two evils.

**plusminus**  $\LaTeX$  defines `\pm` as “±” and `\mp` as “∓”—both taken from the Computer Modern Symbol font. Although Comic Sans provides a plus-or-minus glyph it lacks a corresponding minus-or-plus glyph. For consistency between the two glyphs `comicsans` draws both plus-or-minus and minus-or-plus from the Computer Modern Bold Symbol font: “±” and “∓”. The `plusminus` package option retains `\mp` as “∓” but uses Comic Sans’s “±” for `\pm`. This enables `\pm` to blend better with other Comic Sans characters at the expense of looking quite different from `\mp`.

## 4 Implementation: Core components

This section and the subsequent one contain the commented source code for the `comicsans` package. They are likely of little interest to the average user and can safely be ignored. Advanced users who want to customize or extend `comicsans`—please read the license agreement (Section 6) first—can use these sections to gain a detailed understanding of the code.

## 4.1 comicsans.sty

This is the comicsans package proper. It's primary purpose is to select Comic Sans as the default font for text and math.

```
<*package>
```

### 4.1.1 Option processing

```
\if@ulemph The author can use underlining for emphasis (Section 4.1.3) using the
\@ulemphtrue ulemp option.
\@ulemphfalse 1 \newif\if@ulemph
                2 \DeclareOption{ulemp}{\@ulemphtrue\@boldemphfalse}
```

```
\if@boldemph The author can use boldface for emphasis (Section 4.1.3) using the
\@boldemphtrue boldemph option.
\@boldemphfalse 3 \newif\if@boldemph
                 4 \DeclareOption{boldemph}{\@boldemphtrue\@ulemphfalse}
```

Using large, mathematical symbols in Comic Sans is still fairly experimental (read as: ugly). These symbols are disabled by default, but the author can enable them with the `largesymbols` option.

```
5 \DeclareOption{largesymbols}{%
6   \DeclareSymbolFont{largesymbols}{OMX}{comic}{m}{n}%
7 }
```

```
\if@csplusminus Comic Sans defines a plusminus character ("±") but not a corresponding
\@csplusminustrue minusplus character. For consistency we normally draw both plusminus
\@csplusminusfalse and minusplus from Computer Modern ("±" and "⊞"). However, the
plusminus package option makes \pm match other Comic Sans symbols
at the expense of not matching \mp.
```

```
8 \newif\if@csplusminus
9 \DeclareOption{plusminus}{\@csplusminustrue}
```

Finally, we process the package options.

```
10 \ProcessOptions\relax
```

### 4.1.2 Default font families

```
\rmdefault We select Comic Sans as the default body font, Courier as the default fixed-
\ttdefault width font, and Helvetica as the default sans-serif font. (Yes, this is a bit
\sfdefault odd, given that Comic Sans is already sans-serif.)
```

```
11 \renewcommand{\rmdefault}{comic}
12 \renewcommand{\ttdefault}{pcr}
13 \renewcommand{\sfdefault}{phv}
```

We redefine Courier Medium as Courier Bold and Courier Italic as Courier Bold Oblique in the OT1 font encoding. We also increase the size by 10% to better match Comic Sans.

```

14 \DeclareFontFamily{OT1}{pcr}{}
15 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{b}{n}{
16   <-> s * [1.1] pcrb7t
17 }{}
18 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{b}{it}{
19   <-> s * [1.1] pcrbo7t
20 }{}
21 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{m}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
22 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{bx}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
23 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{m}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}
24 \DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pcr}{bx}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}

```

We now do the same for the T1 font encoding...

```

25 \DeclareFontFamily{T1}{pcr}{}
26 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{b}{n}{
27   <-> s * [1.1] pcrb8t
28 }{}
29 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{b}{it}{
30   <-> s * [1.1] pcrbo8t
31 }{}
32 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{m}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
33 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{bx}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
34 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{m}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}
35 \DeclareFontShape{T1}{pcr}{bx}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}

```

...and the TS1 font encoding. We first ensure that the textcomp package is preloaded to avoid getting an "Encoding scheme 'TS1' unknown" error.

```

36 \RequirePackage{textcomp}
37 \DeclareFontFamily{TS1}{pcr}{}
38 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{b}{n}{
39   <-> s * [1.1] pcrb8c
40 }{}
41 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{b}{it}{
42   <-> s * [1.1] pcrbo8c
43 }{}
44 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{m}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
45 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{bx}{n}{<->ssub * pcr/b/n}{}
46 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{m}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}
47 \DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pcr}{bx}{it}{<->ssub * pcr/b/it}{}

```

If the plusminus package option was specified we draw \textpm from comic9z—the only Comic Sans font encoding that takes a plusminus character from Comic Sans instead of borrowing the one from Computer Modern Bold Symbol.

```

48 \if@csplusminus
49   \DeclareTextSymbolDefault{\textpm}{U}

```

```
50 \DeclareTextSymbol{\textpm}{U}{4}
51 \fi
```

### 4.1.3 Emphasis

Because Microsoft doesn't make a Comic Sans Italic and because TTF fonts don't accept the `SlantFont` modification we need some way of handling emphasized text. The best alternative is to use a program such as PfaEdit to convert the TTF fonts to PostScript Type 1 format (Section 2). Failing that, the author can specify with the `boldemph` package option that bold text should be used whenever emphasized text is requested. An alternative, with the `ulem` package option, is to utilize the soul package to replace emphasis with underlining. Unfortunately, soul doesn't provide a way to enable underlining until the end of the current group (as is needed for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2.09's `{\em...}` construct). Furthermore, soul tends to choke on underlined mathematics.

If `boldemph` was given as a package option we utilize bold text for emphasis. Because we lack a true italic—or even an oblique variant of Comic Sans—we replace all of the explicit italic commands with `\relax`.

```
52 \if@boldemph
53 \let\emph=\textbf
54 \let\em=\bf
55 \let\itshape=\relax
56 \let\it=\relax
57 \fi
```

If `ulem` was given as a package option we utilize underlined text for emphasis. This requires the soul package. Because we lack a true italic—or even an oblique variant of Comic Sans—we replace all of the explicit italic commands with `\relax`.

```
58 \if@ulem
59 \RequirePackage{soul}
60 \setul{1.5pt}{1pt}
61 \let\emph=\ul
62 \let\itshape=\relax
63 \let\it=\relax
```

Out of necessity, we unfortunately also have to make `\em` a do-nothing command.

```
64 \let\em=\relax
65 \fi
```

### 4.1.4 Mathematics

<b>operators</b>	For mathematical expressions, we draw operators, letters, and symbols from
<b>letters</b>	Comic Sans. Large symbols normally come from Computer Modern, but the
<b>symbols</b>	

`largesymbols` package option (Section 4.1.1) specifies that they should come from Comic Sans, as well.

```
66 \DeclareSymbolFont{operators}{OT1}{comic}{m}{n}
67 \DeclareSymbolFont{letters}{OML}{comic}{m}{n}
68 \DeclareSymbolFont{symbols}{OMS}{comic}{m}{n}
```

`\neq` We define one additional symbol font, "othercomics", from which we define `\neq` as the glyph "≠" and—if the `plusminus` package option was specified—`\pm` as the glyph "±".

```
69 \let\neg=\undefined
70 \DeclareSymbolFont{othercomics}{U}{comic}{m}{n}
71 \DeclareMathSymbol{\neq}{\mathrel}{othercomics}{3}
72 \if@csplusminus
73 \DeclareMathSymbol{\pm}{\mathbin}{othercomics}{4}
74 \fi
```

`\frac` T<sub>E</sub>X's default fraction bar is much too thin for Comic Sans. We therefore redefine `\frac` to use a fraction bar with a more compatible thickness.

```
75 \def\frac#1#2{\%
76 \begingroup#1\endgroup\abovewithdelims..0.75pt#2}}

</package>
```

## 4.2 comicsans.map

This is a map file for pdfL<sub>A</sub>T<sub>E</sub>X that provides the association between TFM names (e.g., `rcomic8r`) and PostScript names (e.g., `ComicSansMS`). It also specifies how fonts should be re-encoded so that characters appear at the expected offsets in each font.

```
<*mapfile>
77 rcomic8r ComicSansMS "TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc <comic.ttf
78 rcomicbd8r ComicSansMS-Bold "TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc <comicbd
79 rcomiccyr ComicSansMS "T2AAdobeEncoding ReEncodeFont" <t2a.enc <comic.ttf
80 rcomiccyrbd ComicSansMS-Bold "T2AAdobeEncoding ReEncodeFont" <t2a.enc <comi
81 rcomic7m ComicSansMS "TeXMathItalicEncoding ReEncodeFont" <texmital.enc <com
82 rcomicbd7m ComicSansMS-Bold "TeXMathItalicEncoding ReEncodeFont" <texmital.e
83 rcomic7y ComicSansMS "TeXMathSymbolEncoding ReEncodeFont" <texmsym.enc <comi
84 rcomic9z ComicSansMS "ComicSansExtraEncoding ReEncodeFont" <csextras.enc <co
```

The following four lines assume that you have PostScript Type 1 versions of the various Comic Sans fonts. Although Section 2 describes a technique for converting TrueType to Type 1, my understanding of copyright law is that I am not allowed to distribute `rcomico8r.pfb` or `rcomicbdo8r.pfb` myself as these are considered derivative works from `comic.ttf` and `comicbd.ttf`.

```
85 rcomico8r ComicSansMS "0.167 SlantFont" <rcomic8r.pfb
86 rcomicbdo8r ComicSansMS "0.167 SlantFont" <rcomicbd8r.pfb
87 rcomiccyro ComicSansMS "0.167 SlantFont" <rcomiccyr.pfb
```

```
88 rcomiccyrbdo ComicSansMS "0.167 SlantFont" <rcomiccyrbd.pfb
  </mapfile>
```

### 4.3 csextras.enc

`csextras.enc` is an encoding file that tells the pdf<sup>L</sup>TeX backend how to reorder the glyphs in `comic.ttf` to match the order expected by `rcomic9z.tfm`. `csextras.enc` specifies only those glyphs that `rcomic9z.tfm` uses (the comicsans "extra" glyphs).

```
<*csextras.enc>
```

```
ComicSansExtraEncoding This encoding defines integral ("∫"), summation ("∑"), and product
  integral ("∏"). comic7v.vf maps TeX's <symbol>text and <symbol>display sym-
  sigma bols onto these. We also define notequal ("≠") because this looks better
  Pi than the composite of not and equal ("≠"); and we define plusminus ("±")
  notequal because comic7y uses cmsy10's plusminus character ("±"), which bet-
  plusminus ter matches its minusplus ("∓").
```

```
89 /ComicSansExtraEncoding [
90 /integral
```

The following two symbols are *supposed* to be `/summation` and `/product`. For some reason that I don't yet understand, pdf<sup>L</sup>TeX is unable to find those symbols in `comic.ttf` even though PfaEdit can. As a workaround we use `/Sigma` and `/Pi`, which are sufficiently similar.

```
91 /Sigma
92 /Pi
93 /notequal
94 /plusminus
```

We pad the encoding to exactly 256 characters using `/notdefs`, as some programs (e.g., `ttf2pk`) expect to see exactly 256 encoded characters.

```
95 /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef
96 /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef
97 /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef
```

```
⋮
```

```
98 /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef /.notdef
99 ] def
```

```
</csextras.enc>
```

### 4.4 ttfonts.map

Dvips doesn't currently support TrueType fonts. However, the `ttf2pk` utility (included with the FreeType library) can convert a TrueType font file (`.ttf`) into a TeX packed-font file (`.pk`) for use with Dvips or similar tools.

`ttf2pk` requires a mapping file, `ttfonts.map`, which specifies the mapping between  $\TeX$  font names and the corresponding TrueType font file.

```
<*ttfonts>
```

The first part of `ttfonts.map` contains analogous entries to those in `comicsans.map` (Section 4.2).

```
100 rcomic8r      comic.ttf      Encoding=8r.enc
101 rcomicbd8r   comicbd.ttf   Encoding=8r.enc
102 rcomiccyr    comic.ttf     Encoding=t2a.enc
103 rcomiccyrbd  comicbd.ttf   Encoding=t2a.enc
104 rcomic7m     comic.ttf     Encoding=texmital.enc
105 rcomicbd7m   comicbd.ttf   Encoding=texmital.enc
106 rcomic7y     comic.ttf     Encoding=texmsym.enc
107 rcomic9z     comic.ttf     Encoding=csextras.enc
```

Although `pdf $\LaTeX$`  can dynamically slant only PostScript files, not TrueType files, `ttf2pk` has no such limitation when producing `.pk` bitmaps.

```
108 rcomico8r    comic.ttf     Encoding=8r.enc  Slant=0.167
109 rcomicbdo8r  comicbd.ttf   Encoding=8r.enc  Slant=0.167
110 rcomiccyro   comic.ttf     Encoding=t2a.enc Slant=0.167
111 rcomiccyrbdo comicbd.ttf   Encoding=t2a.enc Slant=0.167
```

```
</ttfonts>
```

## 5 Implementation: Extras

The files documented in this section are what I used to automate creation of the  $\TeX$ / $\LaTeX$  bindings for Comic Sans. They are needed only if you want to modify or extend these bindings. Please read the license agreement (Section 6), however, before modifying any part of the `comicsans` package.

### 5.1 `csextras.etx`

`csextras.etx` is a `fontinst` encoding file that is used to create `rcomic9z.pl`. It specifies all of the characters that should appear in `rcomic9z.pl`.

We start with some boilerplate initialization.

```
<*csextras.etx>
```

```
112 \relax
113 \encoding
114 \needsfontinstversion{1.800}
```

Next, we specify the symbols that we're interested in. We begin with the large  $\TeX$  symbols.

```
integral "f"
115 \setslot{integral}
116 \endsetslot
```

```

summation "Σ"
117 \setslot{summation}
118 \endsetslot

```

```

product "Π"
119 \setslot{product}
120 \endsetslot

```

The remaining large symbols are all scaled versions of ordinary symbols—parentheses, brackets, braces, etc.—and hence don't need to appear in this file. We therefore conclude with `notequal` (a nonstandard T<sub>E</sub>X character) and `plusminus` (which already exists in `comic7y` but uses the Computer Modern Bold Symbol version).

```

notequal "≠"
121 \setslot{notequal}
122 \endsetslot

```

```

plusminus "±"
123 \setslot{plusminus}
124 \endsetslot
125 \endencoding

```

```
</csextras.etx>
```

## 5.2 csextras.mtx

`csextras.mtx` is a fontinst metrics file that is used to help create `comic7v.vpl`. `csextras.mtx` maps T<sub>E</sub>X glyph names such as "integraltext" to Comic Sans font names such as "integral".

One problem is that T<sub>E</sub>X defines "text style" (small) and "display style" (large) versions of various symbols, while Comic Sans typically defines only the small size. We therefore do all that we can, which is to scale up the small version to a larger size. The unfortunate result is that display-style symbols tend to be excessively thick. *C'est la vie.*

We start with some boilerplate initialization.

```
<*csextras.mtx>
```

```

126 \relax
127 \metrics

```

`\bigbiggerbiggest` To save typing, we create a macro that defines `\big`, `\Big`, `\bigg`, and `\Bigg` versions of a given symbol.

```

128 \setcommand\bigbiggerbiggest#1{%
129   \setglyph{#1big}
130   \glyph{#1}{1000}
131   \endsetglyph
132   \setglyph{#1Big}

```

```

133 \glyph{#1}{2500}
134 \endsetglyph
135 \setglyph{#1bigg}
136 \glyph{#1}{4000}
137 \endsetglyph
138 \setglyph{#1Bigg}
139 \glyph{#1}{5500}
140 \endsetglyph
141 }

```

integraltext Define "∫" and "∫".  
integraldisplay

```

142 \setglyph{integraltext}
143 \glyph{integral}{1000}
144 \endsetglyph
145 \setglyph{integraldisplay}
146 \glyph{integral}{3000}
147 \endsetglyph

```

summationtext Define "∑" and "∑".  
summationdisplay

```

148 \setglyph{summationtext}
149 \glyph{summation}{1000}
150 \endsetglyph
151 \setglyph{summationdisplay}
152 \glyph{summation}{3000}
153 \endsetglyph

```

producttext Define "∏" and "∏".  
productdisplay

```

154 \setglyph{producttext}
155 \glyph{product}{1000}
156 \endsetglyph
157 \setglyph{productdisplay}
158 \glyph{product}{3000}
159 \endsetglyph

```

parenleftbig Define a range of sizes for "(" and ")".  
parenleftBig 160 \bigbiggerbiggest{parenleft}  
parenleftbigg 161 \bigbiggerbiggest{parenright}  
parenleftBigg  
parenrightbig  
parenrightBig  
parenrightbigg  
parenrightBigg

bracketleftbig Define a range of sizes for "[" and "]".  
bracketleftBig 162 \bigbiggerbiggest{bracketleft}  
bracketleftbigg 163 \bigbiggerbiggest{bracketright}  
bracketleftBigg  
bracketrightbig  
bracketrightBig  
bracketrightbigg  
bracketrightBigg

```

braceleftbig Define a range of sizes for "{" and "}".
braceleftBig 164 \bigbiggerbiggest{braceleft}
braceleftbigg 165 \bigbiggerbiggest{braceright}
braceleftBigg
bracerightbig
bracerightBig
bracerightbigg
bracerightBigg

slashbig Define a range of sizes for "/" and "\".
slashBig 166 \bigbiggerbiggest{slash}
slashbigg 167 \bigbiggerbiggest{backslash}
slashBigg
backslashbig
backslashBig
backslashbigg
backslashBigg

angleleftbig Define a range of sizes for "<" and ">" (really "<" and ">"). Because the naming
angleleftBig is inconsistent between Comic Sans and TEX ("angleleft" vs. "less") we
angleleftbigg can't use our \bigbiggerbiggest macro.
angleleftBigg 168 \setglyph{angleleftbig}
anglerightbig 169 \glyph{less}{1000}
anglerightBig 170 \endsetglyph
anglerightbigg 171 \setglyph{angleleftBig}
anglerightBigg 172 \glyph{less}{2500}
173 \endsetglyph
174 \setglyph{angleleftbigg}
175 \glyph{less}{4000}
176 \endsetglyph
177 \setglyph{angleleftBigg}
178 \glyph{less}{5500}
179 \endsetglyph

180 \setglyph{anglerightbig}
181 \glyph{greater}{1000}
182 \endsetglyph
183 \setglyph{anglerightBig}
184 \glyph{greater}{2500}
185 \endsetglyph
186 \setglyph{anglerightbigg}
187 \glyph{greater}{4000}
188 \endsetglyph
189 \setglyph{anglerightBigg}
190 \glyph{greater}{5500}
191 \endsetglyph

That's all for csextras.mtx.
192 \endmetrics

```

```
</csextras.mtx>
```

### 5.3 nompbul.mtx

`nompbul.mtx` is used by `fontcomic.tex` when producing an OMS-encoded version of Comic Sans. Comic Sans's `plusminus` looks fine, but the font lacks a matching `minusplus`. For consistency we discard the `plusminus`, too. The `plusminus` package option (Section 4.1.1) can re-enable it on a per-document basis. Comic Sans also has puny `bullet` and `openbullet` characters so we discard those too.

```
<*nompbul.mtx>
```

```
193 \relax
194 \metrics
195 \unsetglyph{plusminus}
196 \unsetglyph{bullet}
197 \unsetglyph{openbullet}
198 \endmetrics
</nompbul.mtx>
```

### 5.4 fontcomic.tex

`fontcomic.tex` is a fontinst file that specifies how to derive various PL and VPL fonts from the TTF sources. `fontcomic.tex` relies on the `cyrfinst` package to produce Cyrillic fonts. Due to a restriction of `cyrfinst`, `fontcomic.tex` must be run through `latex`, not `tex`.

Note that the fonts produced by `fontcomic.tex` do not follow the Berry naming scheme except for appending the encoding scheme onto the end of the name. Personally, I find "`comicbd8r`" more readable than "`jcsb8r`" for Comic Sans Bold in the `8r` encoding.

We start by inputting `fontinst.sty` and the various `.tex` files provided by `cyrfinst` for creating Cyrillic fonts.

```
<*fontcomic>
```

```
199 \input fontinst.sty
200 \input fnstcorr
201 \input cyralias
I have tested fontcomic.tex only with fontinst version 1.800 so we should require that explicitly.
202 \needsfontinstversion{1.800}
203 \installfonts
```

```
rcomic8r.pl First, we create some "raw" fonts, from which everything else is derived.
rcomic8r.mtx These are the only fonts that are referenced by comicsans.map (Sec-
rcomicbd8r.pl tion 4.2); all other fonts produced by fontcomic.tex are defined in terms
rcomicbd8r.mtx of the following.
```

```
rcomic7m.pl 204 \transformfont{rcomic8r}%
rcomic7m.mtx
rcomicbd7m.pl
rcomicbd7m.mtx
rcomic7y.pl
rcomic7y.mtx
rcomic9z.pl
rcomic9z.mtx
rcomiccyr.pl
rcomiccyr.mtx
rcomiccyrbd.pl
```

```

205     {\reencodefont{8r}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
206 \transformfont{rcomicbd8r}%
207     {\reencodefont{8r}{\fromafm{rcomicbd}}}
208 \transformfont{rcomic7m}%
209     {\reencodefont{oml}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
210 \transformfont{rcomicbd7m}%
211     {\reencodefont{oml}{\fromafm{rcomicbd}}}
212 \transformfont{rcomic7y}%
213     {\reencodefont{oms}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
214 \transformfont{rcomic9z}%
215     {\reencodefont{csextras}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
216 \transformfont{rcomiccyr}%
217     {\reencodefont{t2a}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
218 \transformfont{rcomiccyrbdo}%
219     {\reencodefont{t2a}{\fromafm{rcomicbd}}}

```

rcomico8r.pl Next, we create "raw" oblique versions of Comic Sans and Comic Sans Bold as  
rcomico8r.mtx Microsoft doesn't provide a true italic.

```

rcomicbdo8r.pl 220 \transformfont{rcomico8r}%
rcomicbdo8r.mtx 221     {\slantfont{167}}{%
rcomiccyro.pl 222     \reencodefont{8r}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
rcomiccyro.mtx 223 \transformfont{rcomicbdo8r}%
rcomiccyrbdo.pl 224     {\slantfont{167}}{%
rcomiccyrbdo.mtx 225     \reencodefont{8r}{\fromafm{rcomicbd}}}
226 \transformfont{rcomiccyro}%
227     {\slantfont{167}}{%
228     \reencodefont{t2a}{\fromafm{rcomic}}}
229 \transformfont{rcomiccyrbdo}%
230     {\slantfont{167}}{%
231     \reencodefont{t2a}{\fromafm{rcomicbd}}}

```

ot1comic.fd We create versions of Comic Sans and Comic Sans Bold that are encoded  
comic7t.vpl with the OT1 encoding (Knuth's original 7-bit encoding scheme).

```

comicbd7t.vpl 232 \installfamily{OT1}{comic}{}
comic7t.vpl 233 \installfont{comic7t
comicbdo7t.vpl 234     {rcomic8r,rcomic7m,latin}
comicsc7t.vpl 235     {OT1}{OT1}{comic}{m}{n}{}
236 \installfont{comicbd7t
237     {rcomicbd8r,rcomicbd7m,latin}
238     {OT1}{OT1}{comic}{b}{n}{}
239 \installfont{comico7t
240     {rcomico8r,rcomic7m,latin}
241     {OT1}{OT1}{comic}{m}{s1}{}
242 \installfont{comicbdo7t
243     {rcomicbdo8r,rcomicbd7m,latin}
244     {OT1}{OT1}{comic}{b}{s1}{}
245 \installfont{comicsc7t
246     {rcomic8r,rcomic7m,latin}
247     {OT1C}{OT1}{comic}{m}{sc}{}

```

```

t1comic.fd We now do the same thing for the T1 (Cork) 8-bit encoding.
comic8t.vpl 248 \installfamily{T1}{comic}{}
comicbd8t.vpl 249 \installfont{comic8t}
                {rcomic8r,latin}
comico8t.vpl 250 {T1}{T1}{comic}{m}{n}{}
comicbdo8t.vpl 251 \installfont{comicbd8t}
                {rcomicbd8r,latin}
comicsc8t.vpl 252 {T1}{T1}{comic}{b}{n}{}
                253 \installfont{comico8t}
                254 {rcomico8r,latin}
                255 {T1}{T1}{comic}{m}{s1}{}
                256 \installfont{comicbdo8t}
                257 {rcomicbdo8r,latin}
                258 {T1}{T1}{comic}{b}{s1}{}
                259 \installfont{comicsc8t}
                260 {rcomic8r,latin}
                261 {T1C}{T1}{comic}{m}{sc}{}
                262
                263

ts1comic.fd Comic Sans provides many of the textcomp symbols, so we encode some fonts
comic8c.vpl for those. Note that we take the bullet and openbullet characters
comicbd8c.vpl from Computer Modern Bold Symbol instead of Comic Sans. The Comic Sans
comico8c.vpl versions are too small, in my opinion.
comicbdo8c.vpl 264 \installfamily{TS1}{comic}{}
                265 \installfont{comic8c}
                266 {rcomic8r,nompbul,cmbsy10,textcomp}
                267 {TS1}{TS1}{comic}{m}{n}{}
                268 \installfont{comicbd8c}
                269 {rcomicbd8r,nompbul,cmbsy10,textcomp}
                270 {TS1}{TS1}{comic}{b}{n}{}
                271 \installfont{comico8c}
                272 {rcomico8r,nompbul,cmbsy10,textcomp}
                273 {TS1}{TS1}{comic}{m}{s1}{}
                274 \installfont{comicbdo8c}
                275 {rcomicbdo8r,nompbul,cmbsy10,textcomp}
                276 {TS1}{TS1}{comic}{b}{s1}{}

t2acomid.fd Thanks to the cyrfinst package, it's fairly straightforward to extract the
comiccyr.vpl Comic Sans Cyrillic characters into a LATEX-accessible font.
comiccyrbd.vpl 277 \installfamily{T2A}{comic}{}
comiccyro.vpl 278 \installfont{comiccyr}
comiccyrbdo.vpl 279 {rcomiccyr}
                280 {T2A}{T2A}{comic}{m}{n}{}
                281 \installfont{comiccyrbd}
                282 {rcomiccyrbd}
                283 {T2A}{T2A}{comic}{b}{n}{}
                284 \installfont{comiccyro}
                285 {rcomiccyro}
                286 {T2A}{T2A}{comic}{m}{s1}{}
                287 \installfont{comiccyrbdo}

```

```

288     {rcomiccyrbdo}
289     {T2A}{T2A}{comic}{b}{sl}{}

omlcomic.fd  The remaining fonts produced by fontcomic.tex are math fonts. We
comic7m.vpl  start with math italic (the OML 7-bit encoding), although we use roman
comicbd7m.vpl Comic Sans characters. Missing math italic characters are taken from Com-
                puter Modern 10pt. Math Italic Bold (cmmib10).
290     \installfamily{OML}{comic}{\skewchar\font=127}
291     \installfont{comic7m}
292         {rcomic7m,kernoff,cmmib10,kernon,mathit}
293     {OML}{OML}{comic}{m}{n}{}
294     \installfont{comicbd7m}
295         {rcomicbd7m,kernoff,cmmib10,kernon,mathit}
296     {OML}{OML}{comic}{b}{n}{}

omscomic.fd  Next up are the math symbol characters (OMS 7-bit encoded). These are
comic7y.vpl  taken from Comic Sans when possible, Computer Modern 10pt. Bold Symbol
                (cmbsty10) when not. Note that we utilize nompbul.mtx (Section 5.3) to
                exclude the plusminus glyph.
297     \installfamily{OMS}{comic}{}
298     \installfont{comic7y}
299         {rcomic7y,rcomic8r,unsetalf,nompbul,cmbsty10,mathsy}
300     {OMS}{OMS}{comic}{m}{n}{}

omxcomic.fd  As our final math font, we produce a 7-bit OMX-encoded (math extension)
comic7v.vpl  version of Comic Sans. Comic Sans includes none of the required characters
                by default. However, csextras.mtx (Section 5.2) can rename a few glyphs
                to improve the situation. Nevertheless, OMX-encoded Comic Sans is still not
                a particularly pleasing font. Authors may want to use a different OMX-
                encoded font in its place.
301     \installfamily{OMX}{comic}{}
302     \installfont{comic7v}
303         {rcomic9z,rcomic8r,csextras,cmex10,mathex}
304     {OMX}{OMX}{comic}{m}{n}{}

ucomic.fd    Leftover characters are assigned to a  $\LaTeX$  "U"-encoded font, comic9z.
comic9z.vpl  305     \installfamily{U}{comic}{}
306     \installfont{comic9z}
307         {rcomic9z}
308     {CSEXTRAS}{U}{comic}{m}{n}{}

                Those are all of the Comic Sans fonts I could think to create. We can
                finish up now.
309 \endinstallfonts
310 \bye
                </fontcomic>

```

## 5.5 Makefile

The `Makefile` included below automates the generation of the various Comic Sans  $\LaTeX$  fonts. I tested this `Makefile` only with GNU `make`, only on Linux, and only with the `teTeX`  $\TeX$  distribution.

Note that the various `"verbatim"` lines are present for DocStrip's sake and do not actually appear in the resulting file.<sup>3</sup> Also, many  $\TeX$  distributions do not honor tab characters when outputting files, although most `make` implementations *require* tabs. As a result, `comicsans.ins` specifies that the following code be written to `Makefile.NOTABS` with space- instead of tab-based indentation. It is up to the user to convert spaces to tabs. (In GNU Emacs, the `"M-x tabify"` sequence automates this conversion; entering `"cat Makefile.NOTABS | perl -ne 's/^_____/\\t/g; print' > Makefile"` at the Unix prompt is even more automatic.)

<\*Makefile>

**TFMTARGETS** Because we produce so many TFM and VF files, we define **TFMTARGETS** and  
**VFTARGETS** **VFTARGETS** targets for these.

```
311 (< verbatim)
312 TFMTARGETS = comic7m.tfm comic7t.tfm comic7v.tfm      \
313               comic7y.tfm comic8c.tfm comic8t.tfm      \
314               comicbd7t.tfm comicbd8c.tfm comicbd8t.tfm \
315               comiccyr.tfm comiccyrbd.tfm rcomic.tfm    \
316               rcomic7m.tfm rcomic8r.tfm rcomicbd.tfm    \
317               rcomicbd8r.tfm rcomiccyr.tfm rcomic7y.tfm \
318               rcomiccyrbd.tfm rcomic9z.tfm comic9z.tfm  \
319               rcomicbd7m.tfm comicbd7m.tfm              \
320               rcomico8r.tfm rcomicbdo8r.tfm             \
321               comico7t.tfm comicbdo7t.tfm               \
322               comico8t.tfm comicbdo8t.tfm               \
323               comico8c.tfm comicbdo8c.tfm               \
324               rcomiccyro.tfm rcomiccyrbdo.tfm          \
325               comiccyro.tfm comiccyrbdo.tfm             \
326               comicsc7t.tfm comicsc8t.tfm
327
328 VFTARGETS = comic7m.vf comic7t.vf comic7v.vf        \
329               comic7y.vf comic8c.vf comic8t.vf          \
330               comicbd7t.vf comicbd8c.vf comicbd8t.vf    \
331               comiccyr.vf comiccyrbd.vf comic9z.vf      \
332               comicbd7m.vf                               \
333               comico7t.vf comicbdo7t.vf                 \
334               comico8t.vf comicbdo8t.vf                 \
335               comico8c.vf comicbdo8c.vf                 \
336               comiccyro.vf comiccyrbdo.vf               \
```

<sup>3</sup>Without the `"verbatim"` lines, DocStrip would choke on all of the end-of-line `"\"` characters.

```

337             comicsc7t.vf comicsc8t.vf
338
339 %verbatim>

```

**PACKAGEFILES** The primary Makefile targets are the `.tfm`, `.vf`, and `.fd` files.

```

all 340 PACKAGEFILES = $(TFMTARGETS) $(VFTARGETS) $(FDOUTPUTS)
341
342 all: $(PACKAGEFILES)

```

We define a rule for converting a VPL file into a VF plus a TFM file and a rule for converting a PL file into a TFM file.

```

343 (< verbatim)
344
345 .SUFFIXES: .vf .vpl .tfm .pl .ttf .afm
346
347 %.vf %.tfm: %.vpl
348         vptovf $<
349
350 %.tfm: %.pl
351         pltotf $<
352
353 %verbatim>

```

We would ideally like to define a rule for building a `.(DPI)pk` file that depends upon a corresponding `.tfm` file. Unfortunately, Makefile semantics do not support such usage. We therefore parse out `<DPI>` and call `make` recursively to ensure that the requisite `.tfm` file exists.

```

354 (< verbatim)
355
356 %pk: comicsans.map comic.ttf comicbd.ttf
357         DPI='echo $@ | \
358         perl -ne '/(\d+)pk$$/ && print $$1'' ; \
359         BASE='echo $@ | \
360         perl -ne '/^(.*)\.\d+pk$$/ && print $$1'' ; \
361         gsftopk -q --mapfile=comicsans.map $$BASE $$DPI
362
363 %verbatim>

```

`cmmib10.pl` Kpathsea should find standard `.tfm` files even if they're not in the current directory. Hence, the following three targets have no dependencies.

```

cmex10.pl
cmbsy10.pl 364 cmmib10.pl:
365         tftopl cmmib10.tfm > cmmib10.pl
366
367 cmex10.pl:
368         tftopl cmex10.tfm > cmex10.pl
369
370 cmbsy10.pl:
371         tftopl cmbsy10.tfm > cmbsy10.pl

```

```

    FDOUTPUTS fontinst outputs a large number of files. To make these more manageable we
LOGOUTPUTS  define macros to represent various subsets.
    PLOUTPUTS 372 (< verbatim)
VPLOUTPUTS 373
    MTXOUTPUTS 374 FDOUTPUTS = ts1comic.fd tlcomic.fd otlcomic.fd \
FONTINSTOUTPUTS 375 t2acomic.fd omlcomic.fd omxcomic.fd \
    376 omscomic.fd ucomic.fd
    377 LOGOUTPUTS = fontcomic.log
    378 PLOUTPUTS = rcomic.pl rcomicbd.pl rcomiccyrbd.pl \
    379 rcomic7m.pl rcomic8r.pl rcomicbd8r.pl \
    380 rcomiccyr.pl rcomic9z.pl rcomic7y.pl \
    381 rcomicbd7m.pl rcomico8r.pl rcomicbdo8r.pl \
    382 rcomiccyro.pl rcomiccyrbdo.pl
    383 VPLOUTPUTS = comic8c.vpl comicbd8c.vpl comiccyrbd.vpl \
    384 comic7m.vpl comiccyr.vpl comic7t.vpl \
    385 comicbd7t.vpl comic8t.vpl comicbd8t.vpl \
    386 comic7v.vpl comic9z.vpl comic7y.vpl \
    387 comicbd7m.vpl \
    388 comico7t.vpl comicbdo7t.vpl \
    389 comico8t.vpl comicbdo8t.vpl \
    390 comico8c.vpl comicbdo8c.vpl \
    391 comiccyro.vpl comiccyrbdo.vpl \
    392 comicsc7t.vpl comicsc8t.vpl
    393 MTXOUTPUTS = cmbsty10.mtx cmex10.mtx cmmib10.mtx \
    394 rcomic.mtx rcomicbd.mtx rcomiccyrbd.mtx \
    395 rcomic7m.mtx rcomic8r.mtx rcomicbd8r.mtx \
    396 rcomiccyr.mtx rcomic9z.mtx rcomic7y.mtx \
    397 rcomicbd7m.mtx \
    398 rcomico8r.mtx rcomicbdo8r.mtx \
    399 rcomiccyro.mtx rcomiccyrbdo.mtx
    400
    401 FONTINSTOUTPUTS = $(FDOUTPUTS) $(LOGOUTPUTS) \
    402 $(PLOUTPUTS) $(VPLOUTPUTS) \
    403 $(MTXOUTPUTS)
    404
    405 %verbatim>

AFMINPUTS We now define macros for all of fontinst's input files, excluding those that
PLINPUTS  need not exist in the current directory.
CSEXTRAS 406 AFMINPUTS = rcomic.afm rcomicbd.afm
    407 PLINPUTS = cmbsty10.pl cmmib10.pl cmex10.pl
    408 CSEXTRAS = csextras.etx csextras.mtx

    The most important part of the Makefile is to run the fontcomic.tex
fontinst file through LATEX. Normally fontinst files are run through TEX but the
cyrfinst package, which fontcomic.tex uses, requires LATEX.
    409 (< verbatim)
    410
    411 $(FONTINSTOUTPUTS): fontcomic.tex \

```

```

412             $(AFMINPUTS) $(PLINPUTS) $(CSEXTRAS)
413         latex fontcomic.tex
414
415 %verbatim>
doc To automate building the comicsans documentation, we define a doc target,
DOCOUTPUTS which uses pdfLATEX and MakeIndex to build a nicely formatted PDF docu-
ment. For some reason "\DoNotIndex{\_}" doesn't seem to work. We
therefore explicitly grep away all of the "\_" entries.
416 (< verbatim)
417
418 doc: comicsans.pdf
419
420 DOCOUTPUTS = comicsans.pdf comicsans.aux comicsans.glo \
421             comicsans.out comicsans.log comicsans.idx \
422             comicsans.ind comicsans.ilg
423
424 $(DOCOUTPUTS): comicsans.dtx $(PACKAGEFILES) comicsans.sty
425     pdflatex comicsans.dtx
426     grep -v 'indexentry{! =' comicsans.idx | \
427         makeindex -s gind.ist -o comicsans.ind
428     pdflatex comicsans.dtx
429     pdflatex comicsans.dtx
430
431 %verbatim>
CSTEXMFDIR Because comicsans consists of so many files, we provide an install target
CSVFDIR to automate installation. We assume a TEX Directory Standard distribu-
CSTFMDIR tion although the user can override the various directory locations by as-
CSLTXDIR signing one or more of CSTEXMFDIR, CSVFDIR, CSTFMDIR, CSLTXDIR,
CSDVIPSDIR or CSDVIPSDIR on the make command line. Although we also provide an
install uninstall target, this is not guaranteed to remove all of the directories
created. Specifically, if install creates both a directory and a subdirec-
tory (e.g., microsoft/comicsans), only the subdirectory (comicsans)
will be deleted.
432 (< verbatim)
433
434 CSTEXMFDIR = /usr/local/share/texmf
435 CSVFDIR = $(CSTEXMFDIR)/fonts/vf/microsoft/comicsans
436 CSTFMDIR = $(CSTEXMFDIR)/fonts/tfm/microsoft/comicsans
437 CSLTXDIR = $(CSTEXMFDIR)/tex/latex/comicsans
438 CSDVIPSDIR = $(CSTEXMFDIR)/dvips/comicsans
439
440 install: $(CSTEXMFDIR) $(PACKAGEFILES) comicsans.sty
441     install -d $(CSVFDIR) $(CSTFMDIR) $(CSLTXDIR) \
442         $(CSDVIPSDIR)
443     install -m 664 $(VFTARGETS) $(CSVFDIR)
444     install -m 664 $(TFMTARGETS) $(CSTFMDIR)
445     install -m 664 $(FDOUTPUTS) comicsans.sty $(CSLTXDIR)

```

```

446         install -m 664 comicsans.map csextras.enc \
447             $(CSDVIPSDIR)
448
449 uninstall:
450     $(RM) -rf $(CSVFDIR) $(CSTFMDIR)
451     $(RM) -rf $(CSLTXDIR) $(CSDVIPSDIR)
452
453 %verbatim>

```

**TARGZFILE** We make it easy to create a `.tar.gz` file containing `comicsans.ins`,  
**dist** `comicsans.dtx`, and all of the prebuilt comicsans font files.

```

454 TARGZFILE = comicsans.tar.gz
455
456 dist: $(TARGZFILE)
457
458 $(TARGZFILE): $(PACKAGEFILES) doc
459     install -d comicsans
460     install -m 664 README comicsans.pdf comicsans
461     install -m 664 comicsans.dtx comicsans.ins comicsans
462     install -d comicsans/texmf
463     $(MAKE) CSTEMFDIR=comicsans/texmf install
464     tar -cf - comicsans | gzip --best > $(TARGZFILE)
465     $(RM) -rf comicsans

```

**DPI** My understanding of copyright law is that I am not allowed to distribute  
**PKFILES** `.pk` files as these are considered derivative works from `comic.ttf` and  
**pkfiles** `comicbd.ttf`. However, I believe you are allowed to generate these files  
yourself for your own personal use. "make `pkfiles`" generates PK files  
for 600 DPI printers at the various standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X point sizes (taken from  
`otlcmr.fd`). For printers with a different number of dots per inch, "make  
**DPI**=*<resolution>* `pkfiles`" should override the 600-DPI default. If you  
need fonts at additional resolutions you can produce them individually with  
"make *<font name>*.*<DPI>*pk".

```

466 (< verbatim)
467
468 DPI = 600
469
470 PKFILES = $(shell perl -ane '
471     $$F[0] =~ /^w/ || next;
472     foreach $$size (5..10, 10.95, 12, 14.4,
473         17.28, 20.74, 24.88) {
474         printf "$$F[0].%dpk\n", $(DPI)*$$size/10
475     }
476 ' < comicsans.map)
477
478 pkfiles: $(TFMTARGETS) $(PKFILES)
479
480 %verbatim>

```

`clean` Finally, we define `clean` and `cleaner` target so that "make clean" will  
`cleaner` delete the myriad generated files. "make cleaner" additionally deletes  
the files that `comicsans.ins` had extracted from `comicsans.dtx`.

```

481 clean:
482     $(RM) $(PKFILES)
483     $(RM) $(TARGZFILE)
484     $(RM) $(DOCOUTPUTS)
485     $(RM) $(FONTINSTOUTPUTS)
486     $(RM) $(PLINPUTS)
487     $(RM) $(PACKAGEFILES)
488
489 cleaner: clean
490     $(RM) comicsans.sty csextras.etx csextras.mtx
491     $(RM) nompbul.mtx fontcomic.tex comicsans.map
492     $(RM) csextras.enc ttfonts.map
493     $(RM) rcomic.afm rcomicbd.afm Makefile.NOTABS
494
495 .PHONY: doc install uninstall dist pkfiles clean cleaner
    </Makefile>

```

## 5.6 rcomic.afm and rcomicbd.afm

`fontcomic.tex` (Section 5.4) depends upon `rcomic.afm` and `rcomicbd.afm`—the Adobe font metric files that specify the widths, heights, and depths of all of the characters in `comic.ttf` and `comicbd.ttf`. Although these can be produced automatically by the `ttf2afm` utility, `ttf2afm` misses a few characters, most notably `\summation` and `\product`. We therefore include versions of `rcomic.afm` and `rcomicbd.afm` that were generated by PfaEdit, which does a better job of finding glyphs than `ttf2afm`. Because these AFM files are long (~12 pages apiece) we omit them from the `comicsans` documentation.

```

<*rcomic.afm>
    :
    599 lines of code omitted
    :
</rcomic.afm>
<*rcomicbd.afm>
    :
    598 lines of code omitted
    :
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