

The geometry package

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Abstract

This package provides an easy and flexible user interface to customize page layout. It implements auto-centering and auto-balancing mechanisms so that the users have only to give the least description for the page layout.

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1 Preface to Version 2

This new release contains three major changes:

- The geometry options using the *keyval* scheme can be set in the optional argument to the `\usepackage` command as well as in the (mandatory) argument of the `\geometry` macro. Therefore, you can go

```
\usepackage[scale={0.7,0.8},nohead]{geometry}
```

instead of

```
\usepackage{geometry}
\geometry{scale={0.7,0.8}, nohead}.
```

- Multiple use of `\geometry` macro is allowed. In the previous version `\geometry` command initialized layout dimensions before reading its options. In this release, however, `\geometry` just appends its options to the previously specified ones. Therefore,

```
\usepackage[width=10cm, left=3cm]{geometry}
\geometry{left=5cm}
\geometry{vscale=0.8,nohead}
```

is equivalent to

```
\usepackage[width=10cm, left=5cm, vscale=0.8, nohead]{geometry}.
```

If you want to reset layout dimensions and modes, you can use ‘reset’ option.

- The shortened control sequences for `\paperwidth` and `\paperheight`, `\w` and `\h` respectively, were removed.

2 Preface to Version 2.3

This release contains the following changes:

- `columnsep` and `footnotesep` options are added. `footnotesep` controls `\skip\footins`, the separation between the bottom of text body and the top of footnote text.
- `vtex` option is added to support \TeX .
- Magnification setting is sophisticated. `mag` option becomes order-independent. In addition, `truedimen` option is introduced to add ‘true’ before all internal explicit dimension values. Then one can use, for example,

```
\usepackage[a4paper,mag=1440,truedimen]{geometry}  
or \usepackage[a4paper,mag=\magstep2,truedimen]{geometry}.
```

They will have an effect that the paper size will be really A4, while all the fonts in the document will be magnified by 1.440.

3 Introduction

To set dimensions for page layout in \LaTeX is not straightforward. You need to adjust several \LaTeX dimensions to place a text area where you want. If you want to center the text area in the paper you use, for example, you have to specify \LaTeX dimensions as follows:

```
\usepackage{calc}  
\setlength\textwidth{8in}  
\setlength\textheight{11in}  
\setlength\oddsidemargin{(\paperwidth-\textwidth)/2 - 1in}  
\setlength\topmargin{(\paperheight-\textheight  
                      -\headheight-\headsep-\footskip)/2 - 1in}.
```

Without `calc` package, the above example would need more tedious settings. The `geometry` package provides an easy way to set page layout parameters. In this case, what you have to do is just

```
\usepackage[body={8in,11in}]{geometry}.
```

In addition to this centering problem, setting margins from each edge of the paper is also troublesome. However, with `geometry` package, you can go

```
\usepackage[margin=1.5in]{geometry}
```

if you want to set each margin 1.5in from each edge of the paper. In both cases, the remnant dimensions to be specified will be automatically determined. The package will be also useful when you have to set page layout obeying the following strict instructions: for example,

The total allowable width of the text area is 6.5 inches wide by 8.75 inches high. The first line on each page should begin 1.2 inches from the top edge of the page. The left margin should be 0.4 inch from the left edge.

In this case, using `geometry` package you can go

```
\usepackage[body={6.5in,8.75in},  
            top=1.2in, left=0.4in, nohead]{geometry}.
```

Setting a text area on the paper in document preparation system has some analogy to placing a window on the background in the window system. The name ‘geometry’ comes from the `-geometry` option used for specifying a size and location of a window in X Window System.

4 Page Geometry

4.1 Layout Dimensions

To realize a straightforward setting for page layout, the following page structure is introduced: A paper contains a total body (printable area) and margins. The total body consists of a body (text area), a header, a footer and a marginal note which is optional. There are four margins: left-, right-, top- and bottom-margin.

Parts	Dimension names used in this package	
	Horizontal	Vertical
paper	paperwidth	paperheight
total-body	width or totalwidth	height or totalheight
body	textwidth	textheight
left margin	left or lmargin	—
right margin	right or rmargin	—
top margin	—	top or tmargin
bottom margin	—	bottom or bmargin
head	—	headheight and headsep
foot	—	footskip
marginal notes	marginparwidth and marginparsep	—

Table 1: Page geometry parts and dimension names used in this package.

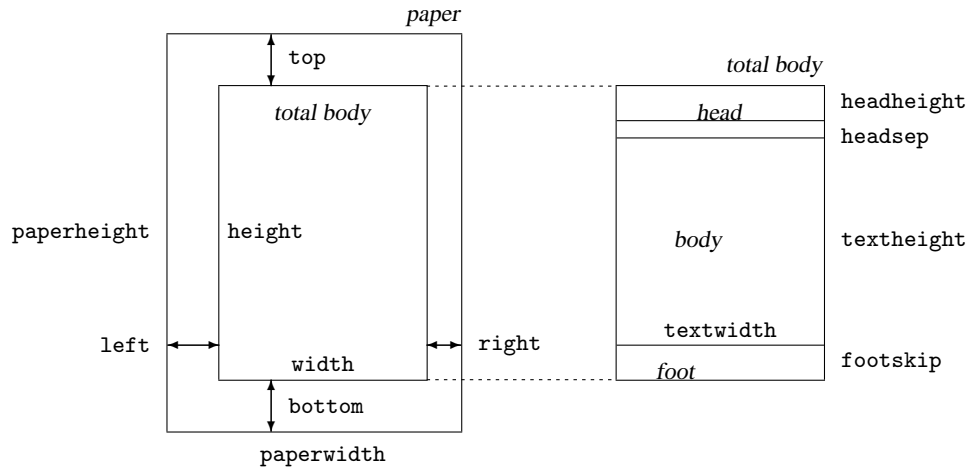


Figure 1: Dimension names for page geometry. If `includemp` is `false` (default), `width=textwidth`.

`paper` : total-body (printable area) and margins
`total-body` : head, body(text area), foot and marginal notes (option)
`margins` : left-, right-, top- and bottom-margin

Each margin is measured from the corresponding edge of a paper. For example, left-margin means a horizontal distance between the left edge of the paper and that of the total body. Therefore the left-margin and top-margin defined in the geometry package are different from the ordinary \LaTeX dimensions `\leftmargin` and `\topmargin`. The size of a body (text area) can be modified by `\textwidth` and `\textheight`.

The layout parts and the corresponding dimension names used in this package are listed in Table 1 and showed schematically in Figure 1. The dimensions for paper, total body and margins have the following relations.

$$\text{paperwidth} = \text{left} + \text{width} + \text{right} \quad (1)$$

Modes	Effects
<code>nohead</code>	sets <code>headheight=0pt</code> , <code>headsep=0pt</code> .
<code>nofoot</code>	sets <code>footskip=0pt</code> .
<code>noheadfoot</code>	equals <code>nohead</code> and <code>nofoot</code>
<code>includemp</code>	takes account of the dimensions for marginal notes when determining width: $\text{width} := \text{textwidth} + \text{marginparsep} + \text{marginparwidth}$
<code>reversemp</code>	makes the marginal notes appear in the left margin and sets <code>includemp</code> unless <code>includemp=false</code> exists. <code>reversemarginpar</code> results in the same effect.

Table 2: Layout modes defined in this package and their effects.

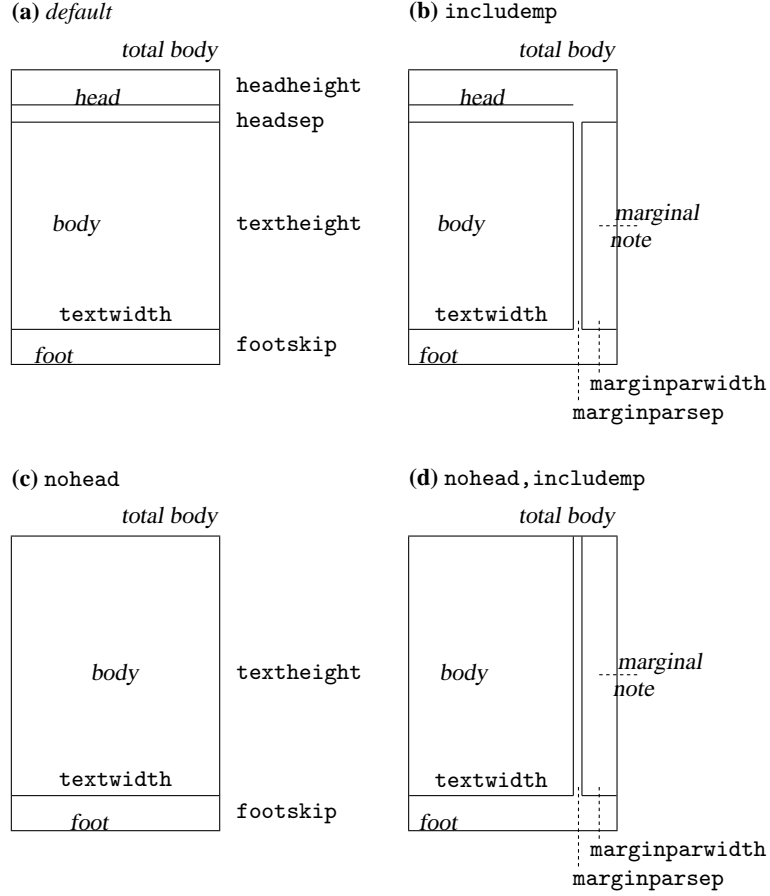


Figure 2: Sample layouts of total body with different layout modes. (a) default, (b) includemp, (c) nohead, and (d) nohead and includemp. Marginal note can be changed its placement from the right-hand to the left-hand side of the total body by `reversemp`. If both `twoside` and `includemp` are effective, marginal note will appear on the left (odd pages) and the right (even pages) by turns. Note that marginal notes can be printed even by default or `includemp=false`, but then the width of total body will not include that of marginal notes.

$$\text{paperheight} = \text{top} + \text{height} + \text{bottom} \quad (2)$$

The dimensions of the total body, width and height, are defined as follows:

$$\text{width} := \text{textwidth} (+\text{marginparsep} + \text{marginparwidth}) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{height} := \text{textheight} + \text{headheight} + \text{headsep} + \text{footskip} \quad (4)$$

Each of the seven dimensions in the right-hand side of Equations (3) and (4) corresponds to the ordinary \LaTeX control sequence with the same name.

Table 2 shows layout modes defined in the `geometry` package, which are used to control layout dimensions and change relations between them. Figure 2 illustrates various layouts of total body with different layout modes. For example, when `includemp` mode is on, width takes account of lengths for marginal notes (`marginparsep` and `marginparwidth`) in the Equation (3) (See Figure 2(b)). The dimensions for a header and a footer can be controlled by `nohead` or `nofoot` mode, as well as direct specification. The `geometry` package can also deal with standard layout modes (options), i.e., `landscape`, `portrait`, `twoside` and `paper size`.

4.2 Completion Algorithm

The automatic completion of layout dimension is a distinguishing feature of this package. Suppose that the paper size is pre-defined in Equation (1) or (2), if two dimensions out of three in the right-hand side of each equation are given, the remnant dimension will be determined automatically. In addition, even when only one of three is given, the rest of dimensions will be determined using auto-balancing or auto-centering scheme. The completion rules are shown in Table 3 and Equation (5). In Table 3, R_n ($n=1, 2, 3$) are the remnant lengths which can be determined by A , B and L (`paperwidth` or `paperheight`) accord-

Settings			Results			
left	width	right	left	width	right	
top	height	bottom	top	height	bottom	
*	*	*	m	ℓ	m	Default
A	*	*	A	R_1	A	Balancing
*	*	A	A	R_1	A	Balancing
*	A	*	R_2	A	R_2	Centering
A	B	*	A	B	R_3	
A	*	B	A	R_3	B	
*	A	B	R_3	A	B	
A	C	B	A	R_3	B	Margins win.

Table 3: Dimension completion rules. The mark ‘*’ denotes the dimensions not specified. Each unspecified dimension will be given a proper value according the completion rule. See text for explanation of other symbols.

ing the following relations.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1 &= L - 2A && \cdots \text{auto-balancing} \\
 R_2 &= (L - A)/2 && \cdots \text{auto-centering} \\
 R_3 &= L - A - B && \cdots \text{obvious completion}
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

If none of three dimensions is specified in each direction, the default setting is used: ℓ and m in horizontal direction are 80% and 10% of paperwidth respectively, 90% and 5% of paperheight vertically.

5 User Interface

5.1 General Features

The geometry options using the *keyval* interface ‘ $\langle key \rangle = \langle value \rangle$ ’ can be set either in the optional argument to the `\usepackage` command, or in the argument of the `\geometry` macro. This macro, if necessary, should be placed in the preamble, i.e., before `\begin{document}`. In either case, the argument consists of a list of comma-separated *keyval* options. The main features of setting options are listed below.

- Multiple lines are allowed. (But blank lines are not allowed.)
- Any spaces between words are ignored.
- Options are basically order-independent.
(There are some exceptions. See Section 7.2 for details.)

For example,

```
\usepackage[ a5paper , hmargin = { 3cm,
                                .8in } , height
              = 10in ]{geometry}
```

is equivalent to

```
\usepackage[height=10in,a5paper,hmargin={3cm,0.8in}]{geometry}
```

Note that the order of values in the sub-list (e.g., `hmargin={3cm,0.8in}`) is significant. The above setting is equivalent to the followings:

```
\usepackage{geometry}
\geometry{height=10in,a5paper,hmargin={3cm,0.8in}}
```

or

```
\usepackage[a5paper]{geometry}
\geometry{hmargin={3cm,0.8in},height=8in}
\geometry{height=10in}.
```

Thus, multiple use of `\geometry` just appends options.

The geometry package supports the `calc` package¹. For example,

```
\usepackage{calc}
\usepackage[textheight=20\baselineskip+10pt]{geometry}
```

¹CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/support/calc

5.2 Option Types

There are five types of options:

1. Boolean type

takes a boolean value (`true` or `false`). If no value, `true` is set for default.

$\langle key \rangle = \text{true} \mid \text{false}.$
 $\langle key \rangle$ with no value is equivalent to $\langle key \rangle = \text{true}.$

Examples: `verbose=true`, `nohead`, `twoside=false`.

Paper name is the exception. The preferred paper name should be set with no values. Whatever value is given, it is ignored. For instance, `a4paper=XXX` is equivalent to `a4paper`.

2. Single-valued type

takes a mandatory value.

$\langle key \rangle = \langle value \rangle.$

Examples: `width=8in`, `left=1.25in`, `footskip=1cm`, `height=.86\paperheight`.

3. Two-valued type

takes a pair of comma-separated values in braces. The two values can be shortened to one value if they are identical.

$\langle key \rangle = \{ \langle value1 \rangle, \langle value2 \rangle \}.$
 $\langle key \rangle = \langle value \rangle$ is equivalent to $\langle key \rangle = \{ \langle value \rangle, \langle value \rangle \}.$

Examples: `hmargin={1.5in,1in}`, `scale=0.8`, `body={7in,10in}`.

4. Three-valued type

takes three mandatory, comma-separated values in braces.

$\langle key \rangle = \{ \langle value1 \rangle, \langle value2 \rangle, \langle value3 \rangle \}$

Each value must be a dimension or null. When you give an empty value or `*`, it means null and leaves the appropriate value to the auto-calculation mechanism. One needs to specify at least one dimension, typically two dimensions. You can set nulls for all the values, but it makes no sense.

Examples:

`hdivide={2cm,*,1cm}`, `vdivide={3cm,19cm, }`, `divide={1in,*,1in}`.

6 Option List

6.1 Boolean Options

Boolean options are also called ‘modes’. One can change various modes for page geometry.

The boolean options are listed below.

<code>verbose</code>	typeouts warnings and a list of resulted page parameters.
<code>landscape</code>	switches the paper orientation to landscape mode.
<code>portrait</code>	switches the paper orientation to portrait mode. This is equivalent to <code>landscape=false</code> .
<code>twoside</code>	switches on two-sided printing. In this mode, specified left and right margins are switched over in each odd-numbered page.
<code>includemp</code>	takes account of spaces for margin notes (<code>\marginparwidth</code> and <code>\marginparsep</code>) when adjusting horizontal partition.
<code>reversemp</code> <code>reversemarginpar</code>	makes the marginal notes appear in the left margin and sets <code>includemp=true</code> unless <code>includemp=false</code> has been set explicitly.
<code>nohead</code>	eliminates spaces for the head of page, which is equivalent to <code>\headheight=0pt</code> and <code>\headsep=0pt</code> .
<code>nofoot</code>	eliminates spaces for the foot of page, which is equivalent to <code>\footskip=0pt</code> .
<code>noheadfoot</code>	eliminates spaces for the head and foot of page, which is equivalent to <code>nohead</code> and <code>nofoot</code> , i.e., <code>\headheight=0pt</code> , <code>\headsep=0pt</code> and <code>\footskip=0pt</code> .

<code>dvips</code>	writes the paper size in the PostScript output with the <code>\special</code> macro. If you use <i>dvips</i> as a DVI-to-PS driver, this option is very useful. For example, to print a document with <code>\geometry{a3paper,landscape}</code> on A3 paper in landscape mode, you don't need options " <code>-t a3 -t landscape</code> " to <i>dvips</i> . This option is ineffective and forced false if <i>pdftex</i> is true.
<code>pdftex</code>	sets <code>\pdfoutput=1</code> and sets <code>\pdfpagewidth</code> and <code>\pdfpageheight</code> properly in the <code>\begin{document}</code> if <i>pdflatex</i> command is used for typeset. When you use <i>latex</i> command with <code>pdftex=true</code> , this option is ineffective and forced to be false. If <code>\pdfoutput=1</code> is already specified, this option is initialized to be true. You can set <code>pdftex=false</code> explicitly to output DVI, not PDF, when <i>pdflatex</i> is used. This option has priority over <i>dvips</i> .
<code>vtex</code>	sets <i>vtex</i> modes.
<code>truedimen</code>	adds 'true' before all internal explicit dimension values (e.g., cm and in). Typically this option will be used with <code>mag</code> option. Note that this is ineffective against externally specified dimensions. For example, when you set " <code>mag=1440, margin=10pt, truedimen</code> ", margins are not 'true' but magnified. If you want to set exact margins, you should set like " <code>mag=1440, margin=10truept, truedimen</code> " instead.
<code>a0paper, a1paper, a2paper, a3paper, a4paper, a5paper, a6paper, b0paper, b1paper, b2paper, b3paper, b4paper, b5paper, b6paper, letterpaper, executivepaper, legalpaper</code>	specifies paper name. They must be used with no values. Note that whatever value (even false) is given to this option, the value will be ignored and the paper name is used. For example, the followings have the same effect: <code>a5paper</code> , <code>a5paper=true</code> , <code>a5paper=false</code> and <code>a5paper=XXXX</code> .
<code>reset</code>	initializes modes and layout dimensions to their defaults. Note that this is ineffective against paper size (e.g., <code>a4paper</code>) and lengths for header, footer and marginal notes (e.g., <code>head</code> , <code>footskip</code> , <code>marginparwidth</code>). <code>reset=false</code> has no effect and cannot cancel the previous <code>reset(=true)</code> if any.

Some of the above options may be given as document class options. For example, you can set `\documentclass[a4paper,landscape]{article}`, then `a4paper` and `landscape` are processed in the *geometry* package as well. Some options may be implicitly given by `\ExecuteOptions` in a document class. The standard book document class has `twoside`. So when you have `\documentclass{book}`, then *geometry* can find `twoside` without any explicit setting for `twoside`.

6.2 Single-Valued Options

The single-valued options with a mandatory value are listed below.

<code>paper</code> <code>papername</code>	specifies a paper name. The available paper names are defined in the <i>geometry</i> package. <code>paper=<paper name></code> . For example <code>paper=a4paper</code> , which is equivalent to just <code>a4paper</code> (see above).
<code>paperwidth</code>	width of the paper. <code>paperwidth=<paper width></code> .
<code>paperheight</code>	height of the paper. <code>paperheight=<paper height></code> .
<code>width</code> <code>totalwidth</code>	width of the total body. <code>width=<width></code> or <code>totalwidth=<width></code> . This dimension should not be confused with <code>textwidth</code> . Generally, $width \geq textwidth$ because <code>width</code> includes the width of marginal notes when <code>includemp</code> or dimensions for marginal notes is set. If <code>textwidth</code> and <code>width</code> are specified at the same time, <code>width</code> is ignored.
<code>height</code> <code>totalheight</code>	height of the total body (including header and footer). <code>height=<height></code> or <code>totalheight=<height></code> . If both <code>textheight</code> and <code>height</code> are specified, <code>height</code> will be ignored.
<code>left</code> <code>lmargin</code>	left margin of the total body. In other words, the distance between the left edge of the paper and that of the total body. <code>left=<left margin></code> .
<code>right</code> <code>rmargin</code>	right margin of the total body. <code>right=<right margin></code> .
<code>top</code> <code>tmargin</code>	top margin of the total body. <code>top=<top margin></code> .

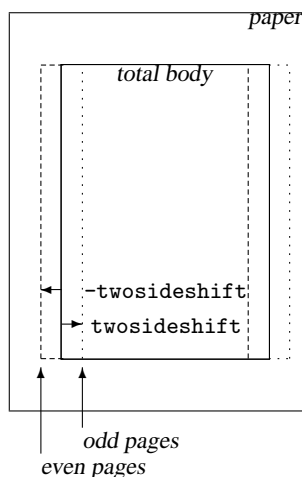


Figure 3: twosideshift option.

bottom	bmargin	bottom margin of the total body. <code>bottom=\langle bottom margin \rangle</code> .
hscale		ratio of width of the total body to <code>\paperwidth</code> . <code>hscale=\langle h-ratio \rangle</code> . <code>hscale=0.8</code> is equivalent to <code>width=0.8\paperwidth</code> .
vscale		ratio of height of the total body to <code>\paperheight</code> . <code>vscale=\langle v-ratio \rangle</code> . <code>vscale=0.9</code> is equivalent to <code>height=0.9\paperheight</code> .
textwidth		modifies <code>\textwidth</code> , width of text (body). <code>textwidth=\langle width \rangle</code> .
textheight		modifies <code>\textheight</code> , height of text (body). <code>textheight=\langle height \rangle</code> .
marginparwidth	marginpar	modifies <code>\marginparwidth</code> , width of the marginal notes. When this option is set, <code>includemp</code> is also set true automatically. <code>marginparwidth=\langle length \rangle</code> .
marginparsep		modifies <code>\marginparsep</code> , separation between body and marginal notes. <code>includemp</code> is also set true automatically. <code>marginparsep=\langle length \rangle</code> .
headheight	head	modifies <code>\headheight</code> , height of header. <code>headheight=\langle length \rangle</code> or <code>head=\langle length \rangle</code> .
headsep		modifies <code>\headsep</code> , separation between header and text (body). <code>headsep=\langle length \rangle</code> .
footskip	foot	modifies <code>\footskip</code> , distance separation between baseline of last line of text and baseline of footer. <code>footskip=\langle length \rangle</code> or <code>foot=\langle length \rangle</code> .
hoffset		modifies <code>\hoffset</code> . <code>hoffset=\langle length \rangle</code> .
voffset		modifies <code>\voffset</code> . <code>voffset=\langle length \rangle</code> .
twosideshift		specifies extra space which is added to left-margin of odd-numbered pages and subtracted from that of even-numbered pages. <code>twoside</code> mode is also set. <code>twosideshift=\langle length \rangle</code> . The default is 20pt. See Figure 3.
mag		sets magnification value (<code>\mag</code>) and automatically modifies <code>\hoffset</code> and <code>\voffset</code> according to the magnification. <code>mag=\langle magnification \rangle</code> . Note that <code>\langle magnification \rangle</code> should be an integer value with 1000 as a normal size. For example, <code>mag=1414</code> with <code>a4paper</code> provides an enlarged print fitting in <code>a3paper</code> , which is $1.414(=\sqrt{2})$ times larger than <code>a4paper</code> . Font enlargement needs extra disk space. See also <code>truedimen</code> option.
columnsep		modifies <code>\columnsep</code> , the separation between two columns in <code>twocolumn</code> mode.
footnotesep		changes the dimension <code>\skip\footins</code> , separation between the bottom of text body and the top of footnote text.

6.3 Two-Valued Options

The following list shows keys taking two values in braces or one value for short.

<code>papersize</code>	width and height of the paper. <code>papersize= {⟨width⟩,⟨height⟩}</code> or <code>papersize=⟨length⟩</code> .
<code>total</code>	width and height of the total body. <code>total= {⟨width⟩,⟨height⟩}</code> or <code>total=⟨length⟩</code> .
<code>body</code> <code>text</code>	textwidth and textheight of the body of page. <code>body= {⟨width⟩,⟨height⟩}</code> or <code>body=⟨length⟩</code> .
<code>scale</code>	ratio of the total body length to the paper's. <code>scale= {⟨h-ratio⟩,⟨v-ratio⟩}</code> or <code>scale=⟨ratio⟩</code> .
<code>hmargin</code>	left and right margin. <code>hmargin= {⟨left margin⟩,⟨right margin⟩}</code> or <code>hmargin=⟨length⟩</code> .
<code>vmargin</code>	top and bottom margin. <code>vmargin= {⟨top margin⟩,⟨bottom margin⟩}</code> or <code>vmargin=⟨length⟩</code> .
<code>margin</code>	<code>margin= {A,B}</code> is equivalent to <code>hmargin= {A,B}</code> and <code>vmargin= {A,B}</code> . <code>margin=A</code> is automatically expanded to <code>hmargin=A</code> and <code>vmargin=A</code> .
<code>offset</code>	horizontal and vertical offset. <code>offset= {⟨hoffset⟩,⟨voffset⟩}</code> or <code>offset=⟨length⟩</code> .

6.4 Three-Valued Options

The keys taking three comma-separated values in braces are listed below.

<code>hdivide</code>	horizontal partitions (left,width,right). <code>hdivide= {⟨left margin⟩,⟨width⟩,⟨right margin⟩}</code> . Note that you should not specify all of the three parameters. The best way of using this option is to specify two of three and leave the rest with null(nothing) or ‘*’. For example, when you set <code>hdivide={2cm,15cm, }</code> , the margin from the rightside edge of page will be determined calculating <code>paperwidth-2cm-15cm</code> .
<code>vdivide</code>	vertical partitions (top,height,bottom). <code>vdivide= {⟨top margin⟩,⟨height⟩,⟨bottom margin⟩}</code> .
<code>divide</code>	<code>divide= {A,B,C}</code> is interpreted as <code>hdivide= {A,B,C}</code> and <code>vdivide= {A,B,C}</code> .

7 Relations Between Options

7.1 Option Priority

- low \longrightarrow high (priority)
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{hscale} \\ \text{vscale} \end{array} \right\} < \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{width} \\ \text{height} \end{array} \right\} < \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{textwidth} \\ \text{textheight} \end{array} \right\},$
 - $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{head}(\text{height}) \\ \text{headsep} \\ \text{foot}(\text{skip}) \end{array} \right\} < \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{nohead} \\ \text{nofoot} \\ \text{noheadfoot} \end{array} \right\},$
 - `dvips` < `pdftex`.

For example,

```
\usepackage[hscale=0.8, textwidth=7in, width=18cm]{geometry}
```

is the same as

```
\usepackage[textwidth=7in]{geometry}.
```

7.2 Order Dependence

The options defined in the `geometry` package are basically order-independent, but there are some exceptions. When redundant, overlap specification is given, the last setting is adopted. For example,

```
verbose=true, verbose=false
```

obviously results in `verbose=false`. If you set

```
hmargin={3cm,2cm}, left=1cm
```

the left-margin is overwritten by `left=1cm`. As a result, it is equivalent to `hmargin={1cm,2cm}`. The `reset` option initializes all the modes and settings for page layout. If you set

```
\documentclass[a4paper,landscape]{article}
\usepackage[margins=1cm,nohead]{geometry}
\geometry{reset, head=20pt}
```

then `landscape`, `margins=1cm` and `nohead` are ignored and `head=20pt` is set. Note that `reset` can't initialize paper size (`a4paper` in this case).

7.3 dvips and pdftex

The options `dvips` and `pdftex` are provided for driver support. They may be used for other packages that support them. In the `geometry` package, the `pdftex` option has priority over `dvips`. The table below shows relations between the typeset command, `\pdfoutput` and effective values for each driver option.

command	pdftex	dvips
<i>latex</i>	false	<i>any</i>
<i>pdflatex</i>	true	false
	false	<i>any</i>

where '*any*' means that one can choose `true` or `false`. When `pdflatex` command is used for typeset, the default value of the `pdftex` option is dependent upon the value of `\pdfoutput`: `true` if `\pdfoutput=1`, and `false` otherwise.

8 Default Settings

8.1 Default Option

The default option is

```
scale={0.8,0.9}.
```

Other layout parameters, such as paper size, orientation and lengths for header and footer, are set as defined in the `documentclass` you use. If you just go `\usepackage{geometry}` in the preamble, the package will set the default layout. Additional options will overwrite the layout dimensions. For example,

```
\usepackage[ hmargin=2cm ]{geometry}
```

will overwrite horizontal dimensions, but use the default for vertical layout.

8.2 Configuration File

You can set up a configuration file to make default options. To do this, produce a file `geometry.cfg` containing an `\ExecuteOptions` macro, for example,

```
\ExecuteOptions{a4paper,dvips}
```

and install it somewhere \TeX can find it.

9 Examples

- Set the width of the total body to be 70% that of the paper. The total body is then centered horizontally. The following settings (each line) result in the same effect.

```
- hscale=0.7,
- width=0.7\paperwidth,
- hdivide={*,0.7\paperwidth,*},
- hmargin=0.15\paperwidth,
- left=0.15\paperwidth,
- left = .15\paperwidth, right= 0.15\paperwidth,
- rmargin= .15\paperwidth.
```

For vertical layout, in this case, the default is used: `vscale=0.9`.

- Set the height of the total body to be 10in, the bottom-margin 3cm, and the width default. Then the top-margin will be calculated in the package.

```
- height=10in,bottom=2cm,  
- bmargin = 2cm ,totalheight= 10in,  
- vdivide = { *, 10in ,2cm },  
and so on.
```

- Set the left-, right-, and top-margin 3cm, 2cm and 2.5in respectively. The page header is not used. The body is 40 lines of text in height.

```
- left=3cm,right=2cm, nohead,  
top=2.5in, textheight=40\baselineskip,  
- hmargin={3cm, 2cm}, head=0pt, headsep=0pt  
tmargin=2.5in, textheight=40\baselineskip,  
and so on.
```

- Modify the width of marginal notes to 3cm and include marginal notes when adjusting horizontal partition

```
- marginpar=3cm,  
- marginparwidth=3cm.
```

In this case, `includemp` is not necessary because it is set automatically when dimension(s) for marginal note are specified.

```
- marginpar=3cm, reversemp  
makes the marginal notes appear in the left margin.
```

- Use A5 paper in landscape mode and a full scale of the paper as the body.

```
- a5paper, landscape, scale=1.0 , noheadfoot,  
- landscape = TRUE, paper=a5paper, noheadfoot,  
total={\paperwidth,\paperheight},  
and so on.
```

- Get PDF output using *pdflatex* command for typeset.

```
% pdflatex foo  
with  
\documentclass[pdftex]{article}  
\usepackage{geometry}  
or  
\documentclass{article}  
\usepackage[pdftex]{geometry}  
  
is equivalent to  
  
% pdflatex '\pdfoutput=1 \input{foo}'  
with  
\documentclass{article}  
\usepackage{geometry}.
```

- Enlarge A4 to A3 with fonts and spaces also enlarged.

```
- a4paper, mag=1414.
```

To enlarge all the fonts in the document by 2.0 without changing paper size, you can go

```
- letterpaper, mag=2000, truedimen.
```

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