Abstract

The breqn package facilitates automatic line-breaking of displayed math expressions.

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**Part I**

**User’s guide**

1 A bit of history

Originally breqn, flexisym, and mathstyle were created by Michael J. Downes from the American Mathematical Society during the 1990’s up to late 2002. Sadly—and much to the shock of the TeX world—Michael passed away in early 2003 at the age of only 44.

The American Mathematical Society kindly allowed Morten Høgholm to assume maintainership of this part of his work and we wish to express our gratitude to them and to Barbara Beeton in particular for providing the files needed.

MH brought Michael’s work to a wider audience, thereby allowing users to create more masterpieces of the publishing art as we think he would have wanted.

Following the July 2008 breqn release, breqn was left in the hands of a maintenance team, while MH moved on with other projects.

2 Package loading

The recommended way of loading the breqn package is to load it after other packages dealing with math, i.e.,, after amsmath, amssymb, or packages such as mathpazo or mathptmx.

The flexisym package (described in section 10 on page 10) is required by breqn and ensures the math symbols are set up correctly. By default breqn loads it with support for Computer Modern but if you use a different math package requiring slightly different definitions, it must be loaded...
before \texttt{breqn}. Below is an example of how you enable \texttt{breqn} to work with the widely used \texttt{mathpazo} package.

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage{mathpazo}
\usepackage[mathpazo]{flexisym}
\usepackage{breqn}
\end{verbatim}

Currently, the packages \texttt{mathpazo} and \texttt{mathptmx} are supported. Despair not: Chances are that the package will work using the default settings. If you find that a particular math font package doesn’t work then please see implementation in \texttt{flexisym.dtx} for how to create a support file—it is easier than one might think. Contributions welcome.

The documentation for the package was formerly found in \texttt{breqndoc}. It has now been added to this implementation file. Below follows the contents of the original \texttt{breqn} documentation. Not all details hold anymore but I have prioritized fixing the package.

### 3 Introduction

The \texttt{breqn} package for \LaTeX provides solutions to a number of common difficulties in writing displayed equations and getting high-quality output. For example, it is a well-known inconvenience that if an equation must be broken into more than one line, \texttt{\left...\right} constructs cannot span lines. The \texttt{breqn} package makes them work as one would expect whether or not there is an intervening line break.

The single most ambitious goal of the \texttt{breqn} package, however, is to support automatic line-breaking of displayed equations. Such linebreaking cannot be done without substantial changes under the hood in the way math formulas are processed. For this reason, especially in the alpha release, users should proceed with care and keep an eye out for unexpected glitches or side effects.

### 4 Principal features

The principal features of the \texttt{breqn} package are:

**semantically oriented structure** The way in which compound displayed formulas are subdivided matches the logical structure more closely than, say, the standard \texttt{eqnarray} environment. Separate equations in a group of equations are written as separate environments instead of being bounded merely by \texttt{\\\textbackslash} commands. Among other things, this clears up a common problem of wrong math symbol spacing at the beginning of continuation lines. It also makes it possible to specify different vertical space values for the space between lines of a long, broken equation and the space between separate equations in a group of equations.

**automatic line breaking** Overlong equations will be broken automatically to the prevailing column width, and continuation lines will be indented following standard conventions.

**line breaks within delimiters** Line breaks within \texttt{\left...\right} delimiters work in a natural way. Line breaks can be forbidden below a given depth of delimiter nesting through a package option.
mixed math and text Display equations that contain mixed math and text, or even text only, are handled naturally by means of a \texttt{dseries} environment that starts out in text mode instead of math mode.

ending punctuation The punctuation at the end of a displayed equation can be handled in a natural way that makes it easier to promote or demote formulas from/to inline math, and to apply special effects such as adding space before the punctuation.

flexible numbering Equation numbering is handled in a natural way, with all the flexibility of the \texttt{amsmath} package and with no need for a special \texttt{nonumber} command.

special effects It is easy to apply special effects to individual displays, e.g., changing the type size or adding a frame.

using available space Horizontal shrink is made use of whenever feasible. With most other equation macros it is frozen when it occurs between \texttt{\left} ... \texttt{\right} delimiters, or in any sort of multiline structure, so that some expressions require two lines that would otherwise fit on one.

high-quality spacing The \texttt{\abovedisplayskip} is used when applicable (other equation macros fail to apply it in equations of more than one line).

abbreviations Unlike the \texttt{amsmath} equation environments, the \texttt{breqn} environments can be called through user-defined abbreviations such as \texttt{\begin{eq} ... \end{eq}}.

5 Shortcomings of the package

The principal known deficiencies of the \texttt{breqn} package are:

5.1 Incompatibilities

As it pushes the envelope of what is possible within the context of \LaTeX, the \texttt{breqn} package will tend to break other packages when used in combination with them, or to fail itself, when there are any areas of internal overlap; successful use may in some cases depend on package loading order.

5.2 Indention of delimited fragments

When line breaks within delimiters are involved, the automatic indention of continuation lines is likely to be unsatisfactory and need manual adjustment. I don’t see any easy way to provide a general solution for this, though I have some ideas on how to attain partial improvements.

5.3 Math symbol subversion

In order for automatic line breaking to work, the operation of all the math symbols of class 2, 3, 4, and 5 must be altered (relations, binary operators, opening delimiters, closing delimiters). This is done by an auxiliary package \texttt{flexisym}. As long as you stick to the advertised \LaTeX interface for defining math symbols (\texttt{\DeclareMathSymbol}), things should work OK most of the time. Any more complex math symbol setup is quite likely to quarrel with the \texttt{flexisym} package. See Section 10 on page 10 for further information.
5.4 Subscripts and superscripts

Because of the changes to math symbols of class 2–5, writing certain combinations such as \(^+\) or \(\_\pm\) or \(\_\geq\) without braces would lead to error messages; (The problem described here already exists in standard \LaTeX{} to a lesser extent, as you may know if you ever tried \(^\neq\) or \(^\cong\); and indeed there are no examples in the \LaTeX{} book to indicate any sanction for omitting braces around a subscript or superscript.)

The flexisym package therefore calls, as of version 0.92, another package called mathstyle which turns ^ and _ into active characters. This is something that I believe is desirable in any case, in the long run, because having a proper mathstyle variable eliminates some enormous burdens that affect almost any nontrivial math macros, as well as many other things where the connection is not immediately obvious, e.g., the \LaTeX{} facilities for loading fonts on demand.

Not that this doesn’t introduce new and interesting problems of its own—for example, you don’t want to put usepackage statements after flexisym for any package that refers to, e.g., \(^\&\) or \(^\#\) internally (too bad that the \LaTeX{} package loading code does not include automatic defenses to ensure normal catcodes in the interior of a package; but it only handles the @ character).

But I took a random AMS journal article, with normal end-user kind of \LaTeX{} writing, did some straightforward substitutions to change all the equations into dmath environments, and ran it with active math sub/sup: everything worked OK. This suggests to me that it can work in the real world, without an impossible amount of compatibility work.

6 Incomplete

In addition, in the alpha release [1997/10/30] the following gaps remain to be filled in:

documentation The documentation could use amplification, especially more illustrations, and I have undoubtedly overlooked more than a few errors.

group alignment The algorithm for doing alignment of mathrel symbols across equations in a dgroup environment needs work. Currently the standard and noalign alternatives produce the same output.

single group number When a dgroup has a group number and the individual equations are unnumbered, the handling and placement of the group number aren’t right.

group frame Framing a group doesn’t work, you might be able to get frames on the individual equations at best.

group brace The brace option for dgroup is intended to produce a large brace encompassing the whole group. This hasn’t been implemented yet.

darray environment The darray environment is unfinished.

dseries environment The syntax and usage for the dseries environment are in doubt and may change.

failure arrangements When none of the line-breaking passes for a dmath environment succeeds—i.e., at least one line is overfull—the final arrangement is usually rather poor. A better fall-back arrangement in the failure case is needed.
7 Package options

Many of the package options for the \texttt{breqn} package are the same as options of the \texttt{dmath} or \texttt{dgroup} environments, and some of them require an argument, which is something that cannot be done through the normal package option mechanism. Therefore most of the \texttt{breqn} package options are designed to be set with a \texttt{\setkeys} command after the package is loaded. For example, to load the package and set the maximum delimiter nesting depth for line breaks to 1:

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage{breqn}
\setkeys{breqn}{breakdepth={1}}
\end{verbatim}

See the discussion of environment options, Section 9 on page 8, for more information.

Debugging information is no longer available as a package option. Instead, the tracing information has been added in a fashion so that it can be enabled as a docstrip option:

\begin{verbatim}
\generate{\file{breqn.sty}{\from{breqn.dtx}{package,trace}}}
\end{verbatim}

8 Environments and commands

8.1 Environments

All of the following environments take an optional argument for applying local effects such as changing the typesize or adding a frame to an individual equation.

\texttt{dmath} Like \texttt{equation} but supports line breaking and variant numbers.

\texttt{dmath*} Unnumbered; like \texttt{displaymath} but supports line breaking

\texttt{dseries} Like \texttt{equation} but starts out in text mode; intended for series of mathematical expressions of the form ‘A, B, and C’. As a special feature, if you use

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{math} ... \end{math}
\end{verbatim}

for each expression in the series, a suitable amount of inter-expression space will be automatically added. This is a small step in the direction of facilitating conversion of display math to inline math, and vice versa: If you write a display as

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{dseries}
\begin{math}A\end{math},
\begin{math}B\end{math}, and
\begin{math}C\end{math}.
\end{dseries}
\end{verbatim}
then conversion to inline form is simply a matter of removing the \begin{dseries} and \end{dseries} lines; the contents of the display need no alterations.

It would be nice to provide the same feature for $\$ notation but there is no easy way to do that because the $ function has no entry point to allow changing what happens before math mode is entered. Making it work would therefore require turning $ into an active character, something that I hesitate to do in a $\LaTeX\$ context.

dseries* Unnumbered variant of dseries

dgroup Like the align environment of amsmath, but with each constituent equation wrapped in a dmath, dmath*, dseries, or dseries* environment instead of being separated by \. The equations are numbered with a group number. When the constituent environments are the numbered forms (dmath or dseries) they automatically switch to ‘subequations’-style numbering, i.e., something like (3a), (3b), (3c), . . . , depending on the current form of non-grouped equation numbers. See also dgroup*.

dgroup* Unnumbered variant of dgroup. If the constituent environments are the numbered forms, they get normal individual equation numbers, i.e., something like (3), (4), (5), . . . .

darray Similar to eqnarray but with an argument like array for giving column specs. Automatic line breaking is not done here.

darray* Unnumbered variant of darray, rather like array except in using \displaystyle for all column entries.

dsuspend Suspend the current display in order to print some text, without loss of the alignment. There is also a command form of the same thing, \intertext.

8.2 Commands

The commands provided by the breqn package are:

\condition This command is used for a part of a display which functions as a condition on the main assertion. For example:

\begin{dmath}
\begin{aligned}
f(x) &= \frac{1}{x} \condition{for \ for \ x \neq 0} \\
\end{aligned}
\end{dmath}.

\begin{equation}
f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad \text{for } x \neq 0.
\end{equation}

The \condition command automatically switches to text mode (so that interword spaces function the way they should), puts in a comma, and adds an appropriate amount of space. To facilitate promotion/demotion of formulas, \condition “does the right thing” if used outside of display math.

To substitute a different punctuation mark instead of the default comma, supply it as an optional argument for the \condition command:
\condition[]\{\ldots\}

(Thus, to get no punctuation: \condition[]\{\ldots\}.)

For conditions that contain no text, you can use the starred form of the command, which means to stay in math mode:

\begin{dmath}
f(x)=\frac{1}{x} \condition*{x\neq 0}
\end{dmath}.

If your material contains a lot of conditions like these, you might like to define shorter abbreviations, e.g.,

\begin{verbatim}
\newcommand{\mc}{\condition*}\% math condition
\newcommand{\tc}{\condition}\% text condition
\end{verbatim}

But the \texttt{breqn} package refrains from predefining such abbreviations in order that they may be left to the individual author’s taste.

\texttt{\hiderel} In a compound equation it is sometimes desired to use a later relation symbol as the alignment point, rather than the first one. To do this, mark all the relation symbols up to the desired one with \texttt{\hiderel}:

\begin{align*}
T(n) \hiderel{\leq} T(2^n) \leq c(3^n - 2^n) & \ldots
\end{align*}

9 Various environment options

The following options are recognized for the \texttt{dmath}, \texttt{dgroup}, \texttt{darray}, and \texttt{dseries} environments; some of the options do not make sense for all of the environments, but if an option is used where not applicable it is silently ignored rather than treated as an error.

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{dmath}[style={\small}]
\begin{dmath}[number={BV}]
\begin{dmath}[labelprefix={eq:}]
\begin{dmath}[label={xyz}]
\begin{dmath}[indentstep={2em}]
\begin{dmath}[compact]
\begin{dmath}[spread=1pt]
\begin{dmath}[frame]
\begin{dmath}[frame=1pt,framesep=2pt]
\begin{dmath}[background=red]
\begin{dmath}[color=red]
\begin{dmath}[breakdepth=0]
\end{verbatim}

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Use the \texttt{style} option to change the type size of an individual equation. This option can also serve as a catch-all option for altering the equation style in other ways; the contents are simply executed directly within the context of the equation.

Use the \texttt{number} option if you want the number for a particular equation to fall outside of the usual sequence. If this option is used the equation counter is not incremented. If for some reason you need to increment the counter and change the number at the same time, use the \texttt{style} option in addition to the \texttt{number} option:

\begin{verbatim}
style={\refstepcounter{equation}}
\end{verbatim}

Use of the normal \texttt{label} command instead of the \texttt{label} option works, I think, most of the time (untested). \texttt{labelprefix} prepends its argument to the label (only useful as a global option, really), and must be called before \texttt{label}.

Use the \texttt{indentstep} option to specify something other than the default amount for the indentation of relation symbols. The default is 8pt.

Use the \texttt{compact} option in compound equations to inhibit line breaks at relation symbols. By default a line break will be taken before each relation symbol except the first one. With the \texttt{compact} option \LaTeX{} will try to fit as much material as possible on each line, but breaks at relation symbols will still be preferred over breaks at binary operator symbols.

Use the \texttt{spread} option to increase (or decrease) the amount of interline space in an equation. See the example given above.

Use the \texttt{frame} option to produce a frame around the body of the equation. The thickness of the frame can optionally be specified by giving it as an argument of the option. The default thickness is \texttt{fboxrule}.

Use the \texttt{framesep} option to change the amount of space separating the frame from what it encloses. The default space is \texttt{fboxsep}.

Use the \texttt{background} option to produce a colored background for the equation body. The \texttt{breqn} package doesn't automatically load the \texttt{color} package, so this option won't work unless you remember to load the \texttt{color} package yourself.

Use the \texttt{color} option to specify a different color for the contents of the equation. Like the \texttt{background} option, this doesn't work if you forgot to load the \texttt{color} package.

Use the \texttt{breakdepth} option to change the level of delimiter nesting to which line breaks are allowed. To prohibit line breaks within delimiters, set this to 0:

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{dmath}[breakdepth=0]
\end{verbatim}

The default value for breakdepth is 2. Even when breaks are allowed inside delimiters, they are marked as less desirable than breaks outside delimiters. Most of the time a break will not be taken within delimiters until the alternatives have been exhausted.

Options for the \texttt{dgroup} environment: all of the above, and also

\begin{verbatim}
\begin{dgroup}[noalign]
\begin{dgroup}[brace]
\end{verbatim}
By default the equations in a `dgroup` are mutually aligned on their relation symbols (=, <, ≥, and the like). With the `noalign` option each equation is placed individually without reference to the others.

The `brace` option means to place a large brace encompassing the whole group on the same side as the equation number.

Options for the `darray` environment: all of the above (where sensible), and also

```
\begin{darray}[cols={lcr@{\hspace{2em}}lcr}]
```

The value of the `cols` option for the darray environment should be a series of column specs as for the `array` environment, with the following differences:

- For l, c, and r what you get is not text, but math, and displaystyle math at that. To get text you must use a `p` column specifier, or put an `\mbox` in each of the individual cells.
- Vertical rules don’t connect across lines.

10 **The flexisym package**

The `flexisym` package does some radical changes in the setup for math symbols to allow their definitions to change dynamically throughout a document. The `breqn` package uses this to make symbols of classes 2, 3, 4, 5 run special functions inside an environment such as `dmath` that provide the necessary support for automatic line breaking.

The method used to effect these changes is to change the definitions of `\DeclareMathSymbol` and `\DeclareMathDelimiter`, and then re-execute the standard set of `\LaTeX` math symbol definitions. Consequently, additional mathrel and mathbin symbols defined by other packages will get proper line-breaking behavior if the other package is loaded after the `flexisym` package and the symbols are defined through the standard interface.

11 **Caution! Warning!**

Things to keep in mind when writing documents with the `breqn` package:

- The notation `:=` must be written with the command `\coloneq`. Otherwise the : and the = will be treated as two separate relation symbols with an “empty RHS” between them, and they will be printed on separate lines.
- Watch out for constructions like `^+` where a single binary operator or binary relation symbol is subscripted or superscripted. When the `breqn` or `flexisym` package is used, braces are mandatory in such constructions: `^+{}`. This applies for both display and in-line math.
- If you want `\LaTeX` to make intelligent decisions about line breaks when vert bars are involved, use proper pairing versions of the vert-bar symbols according to context: `\vert n\rvert` instead of `|n|`. With the nondirectional `|` there is no way for `\LaTeX` to reliably deduce which potential breakpoints are inside delimiters (more highly discouraged) and which are not.
- If you use the `german` package or some other package that turns double quote " into a special character, you may encounter some problems with named math symbols of type `mathbin`, `mathrel`, `mathopen`, or `mathclose` in moving arguments. For example, `\leq` in a section title will be written to the `.aux` file as something like `\mathchar "3214`. This situation probably ought to be improved, but for now use `\protect`.

- Watch out for the `[` character at the beginning of a `dmath` or similar environment, if it is supposed to be interpreted as mathematical content rather than the start of the environment’s optional argument.

  This is OK:

  \begin{dmath}
  [\lambda,1]...
  \end{dmath}

  This will not work as expected:

  \begin{dmath}[\lambda,1]...
  \end{dmath}

- Watch out for unpaired delimiter symbols (in display math only):

  ( ) [ ] \langle \rangle { \} \lvert \rvert ...

  If an open delimiter is used without a close delimiter, or vice versa, it is normally harmless but may adversely affect line breaking. This is only for symbols that have a natural left or right directionality. Unpaired `\vert` and so on are fine.

  When a null delimiter is used as the other member of the pair (`\left.` or `\right.`) this warning doesn’t apply.

- If you inadvertently apply `\left` or `\right` to something that is not a delimiter, the error messages are likely to be a bit more confusing than usual. The normal \TeX response to an error such as

  \begin{verbatim}
  \left +
  \end{verbatim}

  is an immediate message

  ! Missing delimiter (. inserted).

  When the `breqn` package is in use, \TeX will fail to realize anything is wrong until it hits the end of the math formula, or a closing delimiter without a matching opening delimiter, and then the first message is an apparently pointless

  ! Missing `\endgroup` inserted.
12 Examples

Knuth, SNA p74

Example 1
Replace $j$ by $h-j$ and by $k-j$ in these sums to get [cf. (26)]
\begin{dmath}[label={sna74}]
\frac{1}{6} \left(\sigma(k,h,0) + \frac{3(h-1)}{h}\right) + \frac{1}{6} \left(\sigma(h,k,0) + \frac{3(k-1)}{k}\right) = \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{h}{k} + \frac{k}{h} + \frac{1}{hk}\right) + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2h} - \frac{1}{2k},
\end{dmath}
which is equivalent to the desired result.

Knuth, SNA 4.6.2, p387

Example 2
\newcommand\mx[1]{\begin{math}#1\end{math}}% math expression
% Now every column which has no circled entry is completely zero; so when $k=6$ and $k=7$ the algorithm outputs two more vectors, namely
\begin{dseries}[frame]
\mx{v^{[2]} =(0,5,5,0,9,5,1,0)},
\mx{v^{[3]} =(0,9,11,9,10,12,0,1)}.
\end{dseries}
From the form of the matrix $A$ after $k=5$, it is evident that these vectors satisfy the equation $vA = (0,\ldots,0)$.

math expression
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\[v^{[2]} = (0,5,5,0,9,5,1,0), \quad v^{[3]} = (0,9,11,9,10,12,0,1)\] (12.3)

From the form of the matrix $A$ after $k=5$, it is evident that these vectors satisfy the equation $vA = (0,\ldots,0)$.

Example 3
$$T(n) \leq T(2^\lceil \lg n \rceil) \leq c(3^\lceil \lg n \rceil - 2^\lceil \lg n \rceil) < 3c \cdot 3^{\lg n} = 3cn^{\lg 3}.$$
Consider the following equation:

\[ N_0 \simeq \left( \frac{\nu}{\|u\|_{H^1}} \right)|I|^{-1/2} \]  \hspace{1cm} (3.15)

It will have only one line, if the column width is not too narrow.

Scrutinizing the vertical list will shed light on some of the basic properties shared by all \texttt{breqn} equations. After that we will look at what would happen if two or more lines were needed. The numbers added on the left in the following \texttt{showlists} output mark the points of interest.

1. These four lines are a hidden display structure from \TeX{}’s primitive \texttt{\textbackslash breqn} mechanism. It is used only to get the value of \texttt{\textbackslash predisplaysize} so that we can later calculate by hand whether to use the short display skips or the regular ones. (The reason that we have to do it by hand traces back to the fact that \TeX{} 3.x does not allow unhboxing in math mode.) The penalties come from \texttt{\textbackslash predisplaypenalty} and \texttt{\textbackslash postdisplaypenalty}, which were locally set to 10000 to ensure there would be no unintended page breaks at these glue nodes.

2. These two glue nodes are the ones that would normally have been produced at the top of a display; the first one is the above-display skip node (though we had to put it in by hand with \texttt{\textbackslash vskip}) and the second one is the usual baselineskip/lineskip node.

3. This is a dummy copy of the equation’s first line, which is thrown in here to get the proper value of baselineskip (or lineskip in this case). Why do we need this? Because this ensures that we get the top spacing right before we fiddle with the glue nodes surrounding the equation number. And if the equation has a frame, this box is a good place to add it from.
4. This is a special glue node that brings us to the right vertical position for adding the equation number. Its value is calculated from the variables that you would expect, given the presence of the dummy first line above the number: starting position of the equation, height of first line, total height of equation body. If the equation body had more than one line, with stretchable glue between the lines, half of the stretch would be added in this glue node.

5. The hbox containing the equation number.

6. Backspace to bring the equation body to the right starting point. We use \parskip to put this glue in place because we’re going to get a parskip node here in any case when we add the equation body with (in essence). If we didn’t do this we’d get two glue nodes instead of one, to no purpose.

\unhbox\EQ@box.

7. And lastly we see here the first line of the equation body, which appears to have height 16.5pt and depth 9.5pt.

For comparison, the vertical list produced from the above equation in standard \LaTeX would look like this, if the same values of columnwidth and abovedisplayskip are used:

\begin{verbatim}
[1] \penalty 10000
[2] \glue(\abovedisplayskip) 4.0 plus 4.0
   \glue(\lineskip) 1.0
   \hbox(16.53902+9.50012)x232.94844
[3] .\hbox(7.5+2.5)x25.55563
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 (  
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 3
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 .
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 1
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 5
   ...\kern 0.0
   ...\OT1/cmr/m/n/10 )
   .\kern101.49591
   ...
[5] \penalty 0
[6] \glue(\belowdisplayskip) 4.0 plus 4.0
   \glue(\lineskip) 1.0
   \hbox(6.94444+1.94444)x345.0, glue set 62.1106fil
\end{verbatim}

1. \predisplaypenalty
2. \abovedisplayskip
3. equation number box
4. equation body
14 Technical notes on Equation Layouts

MJD [1998/12/28]

14.1 Misc examples

Let us consider which of these have 50% or more of wasted whitespace within the bounding box of the visible material.

\[
L \quad = \quad R_1 \\
= \quad R_1
\]

14.2 Ladder and step layouts

14.2.1 Straight ladder layout

This is distinguished by a relatively short LHS and one or more RHS’s of any length.

\[
L \quad = \quad R_1 \\
= \quad R_2 \\
= \quad R_3 \\
\ldots
\]

The simplest kind of equation that fits on one line and has only one RHS may be viewed as a trivial subcase of the straight ladder layout:

\[
L \quad = \quad R
\]

If some of the RHS’s are too wide to fit on a single line they may be broken at binary operator symbols such as plus or minus. This is still classified as a straight ladder layout if none of the
fragments intrude into the LHS column, because the underlying parshape is the same.

\[ L = R_{1a} + R_{1b} = R_2 = R_{3a} + R_{3b} + R_{3c} \ldots \]

14.2.2 Skew ladder layout

\[ L = R_1 = R_2 = R_3 \ldots \]

In a skew ladder layout, the combined LHS width plus width of \( R_1 \) does not exceed the available width, but one of the other RHS's is so wide that aligning its relation symbol with the others cannot be done without making it run over the right margin: \( \text{width}(L) + \text{width}_{\text{max}}(R_i) > \text{width}_{\text{avail}} \). In that case we next try aligning all but the first relation symbol, allowing all the \( R_i \) after \( R_1 \) to shift leftward.

14.2.3 Drop ladder layout

\[ L = R_1 = R_2 = R_3 \ldots \]

The drop ladder layout is similar to the skew ladder layout but with the width of \( R_1 \) too large for it to fit on the same line as the LHS. Then we move \( R_1 \) down to a separate line and try again to align all the relation symbols. Note that this layout consumes more vertical space than the skew ladder layout.

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The chief characteristic of the step layout is that there is no relation symbol, so that the available line breaks are (usually) all at binary operator symbols. Let $w_1$ and $w_l$ be the widths of the first and last fragments. We postulate that the ideal presentation is as follows: Choose a small stairstep indent $I$ (let’s say 1 or 2 em). We want the last fragment to be offset at least $I$ from the start of the first fragment, and to end at least $I$ past the end of the first fragment. If there are only two lines these requirements determine a target width $w_T = \max(w_1 + I, w_l + I)$. If there are more than two lines ($l > 2$) then use $w_T = \max(w_1 + (l - 1)I, w_l + I, w_{\text{avail}}$ and reset $I$ to $w_T/(l - 1)$ if $w_T = w_{\text{avail}}$.

Furthermore, we would like the material to be distributed as evenly as possible over all the lines rather than leave the last line exceedingly short. If the total width is $1.1(w_{\text{avail}})$, we don’t want to have .9 of that on line 1 and .2 of it on line 2:

Better to split it as evenly as possible, if the available breakpoints permit.

A degenerate step layout may arise if an unbreakable fragment of the equation is so wide that indenting it to its appointed starting point would cause it to run over the right margin. In that case, we want to shift the fragment leftward just enough to bring it within the right margin:
And then we may want to regularize the indents as in the drop ladder layout. Let’s call this a dropped step layout:

\[
\begin{array}{c}
L_a \\
+ \hfill L_b \\
+ \hfill L_c \\
+ \hfill L_d \\
\cdots
\end{array}
\]

14.3 Strategy

Here is the basic procedure for deciding which equation layout to use, before complications like equation numbers and delimiter clearance come into the picture. Let \( A \) be the available width, \( w_{\text{total}} \) the total width of the equation contents, \( w(L) \) the width of the left-hand side, \( w_{\text{max}}(R) \) the max width of the right-hand sides, \( I \) the standard indent for step layout, and \( O \) the standard offset for binary operators if a break occurs in the middle of an RHS. Also let \( t_L \) and \( t_R \) represent certain thresholds for the width of the LHS or the RHS at which a layout decision may change, as explained below.

1. **Does everything fit on one line?** \( w_{\text{total}} \leq A \)?
   - Yes: print the equation on a single line (done).
   - No: Check whether the equation has both LHS and RHS (2).

2. **Is there a left-hand side?** Are there any relation symbols in the equation?
   - Yes: Try a ladder layout (3).
   - No: Try a step layout (10).

3. **Does the LHS leave room to fit the widest RHS?** \( w(L) + w_{\text{max}}(R) < A \)?
   - Yes: Use a straight ladder layout (5).
   - No: Check the width of the LHS (4).

4. **Is the LHS relatively short?** \( w(L) \leq t_L \)? (where \( t_L \) is typically 0.4A).
   - Yes: Subdividing one or more of the RHS’s may permit us to use a straight ladder layout (5).
   - No: The straight ladder layout is unlikely to work. Try a skew or drop ladder layout (6).

5. **Straight ladder layout** Set up a straight ladder parshape [0pt \( A \ w(L) \ A - w(L) \)] and run a trial break. If the combined width of the LHS plus the longest RHS is no greater than \( A \) then we should get a satisfactory layout with all line breaks occurring at major division points (relation symbols). Otherwise, we hope, some additional line breaks at minor division points will allow everything to fit within the text column.
   - **Line breaks OK?**
     - Yes: The straight ladder layout succeeded (done).
     - No: Try a skew or drop ladder layout (6).

6. **Do the LHS and the first RHS fit on one line?** \( w(L) + w(R_1) \leq A \)?
   - Yes: Try a skew ladder layout (7).
   - No: Try a drop ladder layout (8).
(7) **Skew ladder layout** Set up a parshape \[0pt A I A − I\] and run a trial break.

*Line breaks OK?*

Yes: Skew ladder layout succeeded (done).
No: One of the unbreakable fragments of the \(R_i\) \((i > 1)\) is wider than \(A − I\); try an almost-columnar layout (9).

(8) **Drop ladder layout** Set up a parshape \([0pt w(L) I A − I\] and run a trial break. This is the same parshape as for a skew ladder layout except that the width of the first line is limited to the LHS width, so that the RHS is forced to drop down to the next line.

*Line breaks OK?*

Yes: Drop ladder layout succeeded (done).
No: One of the unbreakable fragments of the \(R_i\) \((i > 1)\) is wider than \(A − I\); try an almost-columnar layout (9).

(9) **Almost-columnar layout** This presupposes a trial break that yielded a series of expressions or fragments, one per line. Let \(w(F)\) denote the width of the first fragment and \(w(R_i)\) the widths of the remaining fragments. Set up a parshape \([0pt w(F) A − w_{max}(R_i) w_{max}(R_i)\] in other words, set the first line flush left and the longest line flush right and all other lines indented to the same position as the longest line. But as a matter of fact there is one other refinement for extreme cases: if \(w_{max}(R_i) > A\) then the parshape can be simplified without loss to \([0pt w(F) 0pt A]\) for that is the net effect of substituting \(\min(A, w_{max})\) in stead of \(w_{max}\). (Done.)

(10) **Step layout** Set target width \(w_T\) to \(A − 2I\). Set parshape to \([0pt w_T I w_T − I 2I w_T − 2I \ldots (l − 1)I w_T − (l − 1)I]\), where \(l = \lceil w_{total}/A \rceil\) is the expected number of lines that will be required. Trial break with that parshape in order to find out the width of the last line.

*Indents OK?*

Yes: Step layout succeeded (done).
No: One of the fragments is too wide to fit in the allotted line width, after subtracting the indent specified by the parshape. Try a dropped step layout (11)

(11) **Dropped step layout** Set up a parshape \([0pt A I A − I]\) and run a trial break. Note that this is actually the same parshape as for a skew ladder layout.

*Line breaks OK?*

Yes: Dropped step layout succeeded (done).
No: One of the unbreakable fragments of the \(R_i\) \((i > 1)\) is wider than \(A − I\); as a last resort try an almost-columnar layout (9).

15 **To do**

- Handling of QED
- Space between \texttt{\textbackslash end\{dmath\}} and following punctuation will prevent the punctuation from being drawn into the equation.
- Overriding the equation layout
- Overriding the placement of the equation number
- \texttt{\textbackslash alignid}\ option for more widely separated equations where shared alignment is desired (requires two passes)
• Or maybe provide an “alignwidths” option where you give lhs/rhs width in terms of ems? And get feedback later on discrepancies with the actual measured contents?

• \texttt{\intertext} not needed within \texttt{dgroup}! But currently there are limitations on floating objects within \texttt{dgroup}.

• \texttt{align}={1} or 2, 3, 4 expressing various levels of demand for group-wide alignment. Level 4 means force alignment even if some lines then have to run over the right margin! Level 1, the default, means first break LHS-RHS equations as if it occurred by itself, then move them left or right within the current line width to align them if possible. Levels 2 and 3 mean try harder to align but give up if overfull lines result.

• Need an \texttt{hshift} command to help with alignment of lines broken at a discretionary times sign. Also useful for adjusting inside-delimiter breaks.
Part II
Implementation

The package version here is Michael’s v0.90 updated by Bruce Miller. Michael’s changes between v0.90 and his last v0.94 will be incorporated where applicable.

The original sources of \texttt{breqn} and related files exist in a non-dtx format devised by Michael Downes himself. Lars Madsen has kindly written a Perl script for transforming the original source files into near-perfect dtx state, requiring only very little hand tuning. Without his help it would have been nigh impossible to incorporate the original sources with Michael’s comments. A big, big thank you to him.

16 Introduction

The \texttt{breqn} package provides environments \texttt{dmath}, \texttt{dseries}, and \texttt{dgroup} for displayed equations with \textit{automatic line breaking}, including automatic indentation of relation symbols and binary operator symbols at the beginning of broken lines. These environments automatically pull in following punctuation so that it can be written in a natural way. The \texttt{breqn} package also provides a \texttt{darray} environment similar to the \texttt{array} environment but using \texttt{\displaystyle} for all the array cells and providing better interline spacing (because the vertical ruling feature of \texttt{array} is dropped). These are all autonumbered environments like \texttt{equation} and have starred forms that don’t add a number. For a more comprehensive and detailed description of the features and intended usage of the \texttt{breqn} package see \texttt{breqndoc.tex}.

17 Strategy

Features of particular note are the ability to have linebreaks even within a \texttt{\left\right} pair of delimiters, and the automatic alignment on relations and binary operators of a split equation. To make \texttt{dmath} handle all this, we begin by setting the body of the equation in a special paragraph form with strategic line breaks whose purpose is not to produce line breaks in the final printed output but rather to mark significant points in the equation and give us entry points for unpacking \texttt{\left\right} boxes. After the initial typesetting, we take the resulting stack of line fragments and, working backward, splice them into a new, single-line paragraph; this will eventually be poured into a custom parshape, after we do some measuring to calculate what that parshape should be. This streamlined horizontal list may contain embedded material from user commands intended to alter line breaks, horizontal alignment, and interline spacing; such material requires special handling.

To make the ‘shortskip’ possibility work even for multiline equations, we must plug in a dummy \TeX{} display to give us the value of \texttt{\predisplaysize}, and calculate for ourselves when to apply the short skips.

In order to measure the equation body and do various enervating calculations on whether the equation number will fit and so on, we have to set it in a box. Among other things, this means that we can’t \texttt{unhbox} it inside \texttt{$$$...$$$,} or even \texttt{$$...$$$:} \TeX{} doesn’t allow you to \texttt{\unhbox} in math mode. But we do want to unhbox it rather than just call \texttt{\box}, otherwise we can’t take advantage of available shrink from \texttt{\medmuskip} to make equations shrink to fit.
in the available width. So even for simple one-line equations we are forced to fake a whole display without going through \TeX’s primitive display mechanism (except for using it to get \texttt{\textbackslash predisplaysize} as mentioned above).

In the case of a framed equation body, the current implementation is to set the frame in a separate box, of width zero and height zero, pinned to the upper left corner of the equation body, and then print the equation body on top of it. For attaching an equation number it would be much simpler to wrap the equation body in the frame and from then on treat the body as a single box instead of multiple line boxes. But I had a notion that it might be possible some day to support vertical stretching of the frame.

18 Prelim

(\*package\)
>\NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
\RequirePackage{expl3}
\ProvidesExplPackage{breqn}{2018/09/14}{0.98f}{Breaking equations}

Regrettably, \texttt{breqn} is internally a mess, so we have to take some odd steps.

19 Package options

Most options are set with the \texttt{\textbackslash options} command (which calls \texttt{\textbackslash setkeys}) because the standard package option mechanism doesn’t provide support for key-value syntax.

First we need to get the catcodes sorted out.

\edef\breqnpopcats{\catcode\number"="\number\catcode\""
\relax}
\AtEndOfPackage{\breqnpopcats}
\catcode\^=7 \catcode\_=8 \catcode"=12 \relax
\DeclareOption{mathstyleoff}{\PassOptionsToPackage{mathstyleoff}{flexisym}}
}

Process options.
\ProcessOptions\relax

20 Required packages

The \texttt{flexisym} package makes it possible to attach extra actions to math symbols, in particular mathbin, mathrel, mathopen, and mathclose symbols. Normally it would suffice to call \texttt{\RequirePackage} without any extra testing, but the nature of the package is such that it is likely to be called earlier with different (no) options. Then is it really helpful to be always warning the user about ‘Incompatible Package Options!’? I don’t think so.

\sifpackageloaded{flexisym}{}{%
\RequirePackage{flexisym}[2009/08/07]
The keyval package for handling equation options and calc to ease writing computations.

\RequirePackage{keyval,calc}\relax

And add an \texttt{options} cmd for processing package options that require an argument. Maybe this will get added to the keyval package eventually.

\ifundefined{options}{% Get the package options and run setkeys on them.
\newcommand{\options}[2]{% \expandafter{\options@a}{\csname opt@#1.sty\endcsname}{#2}\setkeys{#1}{#2}}
\options@a \options@b \options@c \options@d

Redefine \texttt{opt@pkgname.sty} as we go along to take out the options that are handled and leave the ones that are not.

\def{\options@a#1#2}{% \edef{\@tempa}{\options@b#2,\@empty\@nil}\ifx#1\relax \let{#1}\@empty\fi\xdef{#1}{#1\ifx#1\@empty\@xp{\@gobble}\@tempa\@empty\else\@tempa fi}}

Add the next option, and recurse if there remain more options.

\def{\options@c#1 #2\@nil}{\options@d#1=#2\@nil}

Discard everything after the first space.

\def{\options@c@d#1 #2\@nil}{\options@d#1=\@nil}

Discard everything after the first = sign; add a comma only if the remainder is not empty.

The tail of the \texttt{@ifundefined} test.

\% end @ifundefined test

\section{Some useful tools}

\texttt{\letx} and \texttt{\xp} is valuable not so much for typing convenience as for reducing visual clutter in code sections that require a lot of expansion control.

\let\nx\noexpand
\let\xp\expandafter
\emptytoks \ Constant empty token register, analogous to \empty.  
43 \ifundefined{\emptytoks}{\newtoks{\emptytoks}}{}  
\f@ur \ Constants 0–3 are provided in plain \TeX, but not 4.  
44 \chardef\f@ur=4  
\inf@bad \inf@bad is for testing box badness.  
45 \newcount{\inf@bad} \inf@bad=1000000  
\maxint \ We want to use \maxint rather than coerced \maxdimen for \linepenalty in one place.  
46 \newcount{\maxint} \maxint=2147483647  
\int@a \ Provide some shorter aliases for various scratch registers.  
47 \let\int@a=\@tempcnta  
\int@b \let\int@b=\@tempcntb  
\int@c \let\int@c=\count@  
\dim@a \ Same for dimen registers.  
48 \let\dim@a=\@tempdima  
\dim@b \let\dim@b=\@tempdimb  
\dim@c \let\dim@c=\@tempdimc  
\dim@d \let\dim@d=\@tempdimd  
\dim@e \let\dim@e=\@tempdimf  
\dim@A \let\dim@A=\@tempdimg  
\skip@a \ Same for skip registers.  
49 \let\skip@a=\@tempskipa  
\skip@b \let\skip@b=\@tempskipb  
\skip@c \let\skip@c=\skip@  
\toks@a \ Same for token registers.  
50 \let\toks@a=\@temptokena  
\toks@b \let\toks@b=\toks@  
\toks@c \toksdef{\toks@c}=2  
\toks@d \toksdef{\toks@d}=4  
\toks@e \toksdef{\toks@e}=6  
\toks@f \toksdef{\toks@f}=8  
\abs@num \ We need an absolute value function for comparing penalties.  
51 \def\abs@num#1{\ifnum#1<\z@-\fi#1}  
\@ifnext \ The \@ifnext function is a variation of \@ifnextchar that doesn’t skip over intervening whitespace. We use it for the optional arg of \inside \dmath etc. because we don’t want unwary users to be tripped up by an unexpected attempt on \TeX’s part to interpret a bit of math as an optional arg:  
52 \begin{equation}  
...\[z,w]...  
\end{equation}
\def\@ifnext\#1\#2\#3{%\let\@tempd=\#1\def\@tempa{\#2}\def\@tempb{\#3}\futurelet\@tempc\@ifnexta}\@ifstar

Similarly let's remove space-skipping from \@ifstar because in some rare case of \inside an equation, followed by a space and a * where the * is intended as the math binary operator, it would be a disservice to gobble the star as an option of the \command. In all other contexts the chance of having a space before the star is extremely small: either the command is a control word which will get no space token after it in any case because of \TeX's tokenization rules; or it is a control symbol such as \"*\" which is exceedingly unlikely to be written as \"*\" by any one who really wants the * to act as a modifier for the \command.

\def\@ifstar\#1\#2{%\let\@tempd*\def\@tempa*{\#1}\def\@tempb{\#2}\futurelet\@tempc\@ifnexta}\@optarg

Utility function for reading an optional arg \textit{without} skipping over any intervening spaces.

\def\@optarg\#1\#2{\@ifnext\[\#1\]{\#1\[\#2\]}}

\@True \@False \@Not \@And

After \let\foo\@True the test \if\foo evaluates to true. Would rather avoid \newif because it uses three csnames per Boolean variable; this uses only one.

\def\@True{00}\def\@False{01}\def\@Not\#1{0\ifcase\#11 \or\@xp 1\else \@xp 0\fi}\def\@And\#1\#2{0\ifcase\#1\#2 \@xp 0\else \@xp 1\fi}\def\@Or\#1\#2{0\ifnum\#1\#2<101 \@xp 0\else \@xp 1\fi}\def\theb@@le\#1{\if\#1 True\else False\fi}

\freeze@glue Remove the stretch and shrink from a glue register.

\def\freeze@glue\#1{\#11\#1\relax}

\z@rule Note well the intentional absence of \relax at the end of the replacement text of \z@rule; use it with care.

\def\z@rule{\vrule\@width\z@}% no \relax ! use with care

Different ways to keep a bit of glue from disappearing at the beginning of a line after line breaking:

- Zero-thickness rule
- Null character
• \vadjust{} (The \TeX{}book, Exercise ??)

The null character idea would be nice except it creates a mathord which then screws up math spacing for e.g., a following unary minus sign. (the vrule is transparent to the math spacing). The vadjust is the cheapest in terms of box memory—it vanishes after the pass through \TeX{}’s paragrapher. It is what I would have used, except that the equation contents get run through two paragraphing passes, once for breaking up LR boxes and once for the real typesetting. If \keep@glue were done with an empty vadjust, it would disappear after the first pass and—in particular—the pre-bin-op adjustment for relation symbols would disappear at a line break.

\def\keep@glue{\vrule \relax}

\replicate

This is a fully expandable way of making \( N \) copies of a token list. Based on a post of David Kastrup to comp.text.tex circa January 1999. The extra application of \number{} is needed for maximal robustness in case the repeat count \( N \) is given in some weird \TeX{} form such as "E9 or \count9.

% usage: \message{H\replicate{5}{i h}ow de doo dee!}
\begingroup \catcode'&=11
\gdef\replicate#1{%
  \csname &\expandafter\replicate@a\romannumeral\number\number#1 000q\endcsname
}
\endgroup

\replicate@a

% fix
\begingroup \catcode'&=11
\long\gdef\&m#1#2{#1\csname &#2\endcsname{#1}}
\endgroup

% fix
\exp@let\csname string &\endcsname@gobble

\mathchars@reset

Need to patch up this function from flexisym a little, to better handle certain constructed symbols like \neq.
\ExplSyntaxOn
\g@addto@macro\mathchars@reset{%
% \let@\symRel@secondoftwo \let@\symBin@secondoftwo
% \let@\symDeL@secondoftwo \let@\symDeR@secondoftwo
% \let@\symDeB@secondoftwo
\cs_set_eq:NN \math_csym_Rel:Nn \use_ii:nn
\cs_set_eq:NN \math_csym_Bin:Nn \use_ii:nn
\cs_set_eq:NN \math_csym_DeL:Nn \use_ii:nn
\cs_set_eq:NN \math_csym_DeR:Nn \use_ii:nn
\cs_set_eq:NN \math_csym_DeB:Nn \use_ii:nn
}
\ExplSyntaxOff
\@eqcons \LaTeX's \@cons appends to the end of a list, but we need a function that adds material at the beginning.

\begin{verbatim}
def\@eqcons#1#2{\begingroup \let\@elt\relax \xdef#1{\@elt{#2}#1}\endgroup}
\end{verbatim}

\@saveprimitive

If some preceding package redefined one of the primitives that we must change, we had better do some checking to make sure that we are able to save the primitive meaning for internal use. This is handled by the \@saveprimitive function. We follow the example of \@@input where the primitive meaning is stored in an internal control sequence with a @@ prefix. Primitive control sequences can be distinguished by the fact that \string and \meaning return the same information. Well, not quite all: \nullfont and \topmark and the other \ldots mark primitives being the exceptions.

\begin{verbatim}
\providecommand{\@saveprimitive}[2]{\begingroup \edef\@tempa{\string#1}\edef\@tempb{\meaning#1}\ifx\@tempa\@tempb \global\let#2#1\else \edef\@tempb{\meaning#2}\ifx\@tempa\@tempb \else \@saveprimitive@a#1#2\fi\fi\endgroup}
\end{verbatim}

Aux function, check for the special cases. Most of the time this branch will be skipped so we can stuff a lot of work into it without worrying about speed costs.

\begin{verbatim}
\providecommand\@saveprimitive@a[2]{\begingroup \def\@tempb##1#1##2{\edef\@tempb{##2}\@car{}}\@tempb\nullfont{select font nullfont}\topmark{\string\topmark:}\firstmark{\string\firstmark:}\botmark{\string\botmark:}\splitfirstmark{\string\splitfirstmark:}\splitbotmark{\string\splitbotmark:}\#1{\string#1}\@nil % for the \@car\edef\@tempa{\expandafter\strip@prefix\meaning\@tempb}\edef\@tempb{\meaning#1}\ifx\@tempa\@tempb \global\let#2#1\else \PackageError{breqn}{Unable to properly define \string#2; primitive \noexpand#1no longer primitive}@eha \fi\endgroup}
\end{verbatim}
\@math Move the math-start and math-end functions into control sequences. If I were redesigning \TeX
\@endmath I guess I’d put these functions into primitive control words instead of linking them to a catcode.
\@display That way \TeX would not have to do the special lookahead at a $ to see if there’s another one
\@enddisplay coming up. Of course that’s related to the question of how to provide user shorthand for
\@@math common constructions: \TeX, or an editing interface of some sort.
\@@endmath
\@@display
\begingroup \catcode'$='\texttt{\textbackslash thr@@} % just to make sure
\global\let\@@math=$ \gdef\@@display{$$}$$$ $$$
\endgroup
\let\@@endmath=\@@math
\let\@@enddisplay=\@@display
\@insert Save the primitives \vadjust, \insert, \mark because we will want to change them locally
during equation measuring to keep them from getting in the way of our vertical decomposition
\@mark procedures. We follow the example of \@@input, \@@end, \@@par where the primitive meaning
\@vadjust is stored in an internal control sequence with a \@@ prefix.
\@saveprimitive\vadjust\@@vadjust
\@saveprimitive\insert\@@insert
\@saveprimitive\mark\@@mark

22 Debugging

Debugging help.
\langle\texttt{*trace}\rangle
\errorcontextlines=2000\relax
\typeout{BREQN DEBUGGING MODE ACTIVE}
\@breqn@debugmsg Print a debugging message.
\long\def\breqn@debugmsg#1{\GenericWarning{||}{||=\space#1}}
\@debugwr Sometimes the newline behavior of \message is unsatisfactory; this provides an alternative.
\def\debugwr#1{\immediate\write\sixt@@n{||= #1}}
\@debug@box Record the contents of a box in the log file, without stopping.
\def\debug@box#1{%\batchmode{\showboxbreadth\maxdimen\showboxdepth99\showbox#1}%
\errorstopmode
}
\@eqinfo Show lots of info about the material before launching into the trials.
\def\eqinfo{%\debug@box\EQ@copy\%\wlog{\texttt{\EQ@copy}: \the\wd\EQ@copy\space x \the\ht\EQ@copy+\the\dp\EQ@copy\%}
}
\texttt{\debug@para} \hspace{1em} Check params that affect line breaking.
\begin{verbatim}
\def\debug@para{%
  \debugwr{\hsize\the\hsize, \parfillskip\the\parfillskip}%
  \breqn@debugmsg{\leftskip\the\leftskip, \rightskip\the\rightskip}%
  \breqn@debugmsg{\linepenalty\the\linepenalty, \adjdemerits\the\adjdemerits}%
  \breqn@debugmsg{\pretolerance\the\pretolerance, \tolerance\the\tolerance, }
  \parindent\the\parindent}%
}\end{verbatim}

\section*{23 \texttt{\listwidth} variable}

The \texttt{\listwidth} variable is \texttt{\linewidth} plus \texttt{\leftmargin} plus \texttt{\rightmargin}, which is typically less than \texttt{\hsize} if the list depth is greater than one. In case a future package will provide this variable, define it only if not yet defined.
\begin{verbatim}
\@ifundefined{listwidth}{\newdimen\listwidth}{%}
\listwidth=\z@%
\end{verbatim}

\section*{24 Parameters}

Here follows a list of parameters needed.
\begin{verbatim}
\eqfontsize \eqcolor \eqmargin \eqindent \eqbinoffset \eqnumsides \eqnumplace \eqnumfont \eqnumform \eqnumsize \eqnumcolor \eqlinespacing \eqlineskip \eqlineskiplimit \eqstyle
\end{verbatim}

Note: avoid M, m, P, p because they look like they might be the start of a keyword ‘minus’ or ‘plus’. Then \TeX looks further to see if the next letter is i or l. And if the next thing is an undefined macro, the attempt to expand the macro results in an error message.
\begin{verbatim}
\def\eqfontsize{} % Inherit from context [NOT USED?]
\def\eqcolor{black} % Default to black [NOT USED?]
\newdimen\eqnumsep \eqnumsep=10pt % Min space between eq number and body
\newdimen\eqmargin \eqmargin=8pt % For ‘multline’ gap emulation
\def\eqindent{C}% % C or I, centered or indented
\def\eqnumsides{R}% % R or L, right or left
\def\eqnumplace{M}% % M or T or B, middle top or bottom
\end{verbatim}

Typesetting the equation number is done thus:
\begin{verbatim}
{\eqnumcolor \eqnumsize \eqnumfont{\eqnumform{\eq@number}}}\end{verbatim}

Tricky questions on \texttt{\eqnumsize}. Should the default be \texttt{\normalsize}? Then the user can scale down the equation body with \texttt{\small} and not affect the equation number. Or should
the default be empty? Then in large sections of smaller text, like the dangerous bend stuff in \TeX\textit{book}, the equation number size will keep in sync with the context. Maybe need an \texttt{\textbackslash {eqbodysize}} param as well to allow separating the two cases.

\begin{verbatim}
189 \def\eqnumcolor{} % ... or color than eq body e.g. \color{blue}
190 \newlength{eqlinespacing} \eqlinespacing=14pt plus2pt % Base-to-base space between lines
191 \newlength{eqlineskip} \eqlineskip=3pt plus2pt % Min space if eqlinespacing too small
192 \newdimen{eqlineskiplimit} \eqlineskiplimit=2pt % Threshold for switching to eqlineskip
The value of \texttt{\textbackslash eqbinoffset} should include a negative shrink component that cancels the shrink component of medmuskip, otherwise there can be a noticeable variation in the indent of adjacent lines if one is shrunk a lot and the other isn’t.

193 \newmuskip \eqbinoffset \eqbinoffset=15mu minus-3mu % Offset from mathrel alignment pt for mathbins
194 \newmuskip \eqdelimoffset \eqdelimoffset=2mu % Additional offset for break inside delims
195 \newdimen{eqindentstep} \eqindentstep=8pt % Indent used when LHS wd is n/a or too large
196 \newtoks\eqstyle % Customization hook
197 \newcount\eqbreakdepth \eqbreakdepth=2 % Allow breaks within delimiters to this depth
198 \newlength{eqinterlinepenalty} \eqinterlinepenalty=10000 % No page breaks between equation lines
199 \newcount \intereqpenalty \intereqpenalty=1000 % Pagebreak penalty between equations [BRM: Was \@M]
200 \newlength{intereqskip} \intereqskip=3pt plus2pt % Additional vert space between equations
201 \newcount \prerelpenalty \prerelpenalty=-\@M % Linebreak penalty before mathrel symbols
202 \newcount \prebinoppenalty \prebinoppenalty=888 % Linebreak penalty before mathbins
When breaking equations we never right-justify, so a stretch component of the muskip is never helpful and sometimes it is definitely undesirable. Note that thick/medmuskips frozen inside a fraction or radical may turn out noticeably larger than neighboring unfrozen ones. Nonetheless I think this way is the best compromise short of a new \TeX\ that can make those built-up objects shrink horizontally in proportion; the alternative is to pretty much eliminate the shrink possibility completely in displays.

203 \newmuskip \Dmedmuskip \Dmedmuskip=4mu minus 3mu % medmuskip in displays
204 \newmuskip \Dthickmuskip \Dthickmuskip=5mu minus 2mu % thickmuskip in displays

And now some internal variables. 1997/10/22: some of these are dead branches that need to be pruned.

MH: Started cleaning up a bit. No more funny loops.

\begin{verbatim}
205 \def\eq@number{} % Internal variable
206 \newlength{eqleftskip} \eqleftskip=@centering % Space on the left [NOT USED?]
207 \newlength{eqrightskip} \eqrightskip=@centering % Space on the right [NOT USED?]
208 \newlength{eq@vspan} \eq@vspan=z@skip % Glue used to vcenter the eq number
209 \newmuskip\eq@binoffset \eq@binoffset=\eqbinoffset % Roughly, \eqbinoffset + \eqdelimoffset
210 \newlength{EQ@box} % Storage for equation body
211 \newlength{EQ@copy} % For eq body sans vadjust/insert/mark material
212 \newlength{EQ@numbox} % For equation number
213 \newlength{eq@wdNum} % width of number + separation [NEW]
214 \newlength{GRP@numbox} % For group number [NEW]
215 \newlength{grp@wdNum} % width of number + separation [NEW]
216 \newlength{V@vspanbox} % Vadjust, insert, or mark material
217 \newlength{V@vspanbox} % Spare copy of same
218 \newlength{V@vspanbox} % Temporary box for measuring number placement
219 \newlength{eq@lines} % Internal counter, actual number of lines
220 \newlength{eq@curline} % Loop counter
\end{verbatim}
\end{verbatim}
\newcount \eq@badness % Used in testing for overfull lines
\newcount \EQ@vims % For bookkeeping
\def\@eq@numbertrue{\let\eq@hasNumber\@True}%
\def\@eq@numberfalse{\let\eq@hasNumber\@False}%
\let\eq@hasNumber\@False
Here for the dimens, it would be advisable to do some more careful management to conserve dimen registers. First of all, most of the dimen registers are needed in the measuring phase, which is a tightly contained step that happens after the contents of the equation have been typeset into a box and before any external functions have a chance to regain control---e.g.,, the output routine. Therefore it is possible to make use of the the dimen registers 0–9, reserved by convention for scratch use, without fear of conflict with other macros. But I don’t want to use them directly with the available names:
\dimen0 \dimen0i \dimen@ii \dimen3 \dimen4 ... \dimen9
. It would be much more useful to have names for these registers indicative of way they are used.

Another source whence dimen registers could be borrowed is the amsmath package, which allocates six registers for equation-measuring purposes. We can reuse them under different names since the amsmath functions and our functions will never be used simultaneously.
\eq@shift \alignsep \tagshift \tagwidth \totwidth \lineht

\newdimen \eq@dp % Depth of last line
\newdimen \eq@wdL % Width of the left-hand-side
\newdimen \eq@wdT % Total width for framing
\newdimen \eq@wdMin % Width of narrowest line in equation
\newdimen \grp@wdL % Max width of LHS’s in a group
\newdimen \grp@wdR % Max RHS of all equations in a group
\newdimen \grp@wdT
\newdimen \eq@wdmax
\newdimen \eq@firstht % Height of first line

BRM: measure the condition too.
\newdimen \eq@wdCond
\newdimen \eq@indentstep % Indent amount when LHS is not present
\newdimen \eq@linewidth % Width actually used for display
\newdimen \grp@linewidth % Max \eq@linewidth over a group

Maybe \eq@shift could share the same register as \mathindent [mjd,1997/10/22].
\newdimen \eq@shif
\let \eq@isIntertext\@False
Init \eq@indentstep to a nonzero value so that we can detect and refrain from clobbering a user setting of zero. And \eq@\textwidth to \maxdimen because that is the right init before computing a min.
\eq@indentstep=\maxdimen
\newdimen \eq@given@\textwidth
\eq@overrun MH: Appears to be unused.
Not a dimen register; don’t need to advance it.
\def \eq@overrun {Opt}
To initialize \eqnumside and \eqindent properly, we may need to grub around a bit in \filelist. However, if the amsmath package was used, we can use its option data. More trouble: if a documentclass sends an option of leqno to amsmath by default, and it gets overridden by the user with a reqno documentclass option, then amsmath believes itself to have received both options.

\ifpackagewith{amsmath}{leqno}{{% 
  \ifpackagewith{amsmath}{reqno}{%{\def\eqnumside{L}}% 
}{{% 

If the amsmath package was not used, the next method for testing the leqno option is to see if leqno.clo is present in \filelist.

\def\@tempa#1,leqno.clo,#2#3\@nil{% 
  \ifx @#2\relax\else \def\eqnumside{L}\fi 
}{{% 
  \@xp\@tempa\@filelist,leqno.clo,@\@nil 

Even that test may fail in the case of amsart if it does not load amsmath. Then we have to look whether \iftagsleft@ is defined, and if so whether it is true. This is tricky if you want to be careful about conditional nesting and don’t want to put anything in the hash table unnecessarily.

\if L\eqnumside 
  \else 
    \@ifundefined{iftagsleft@}{}{% 
      \edef\eqnumside{\if TT\csname fi\endcsname\csname iftagsleft@\endcsname 
        L\else R\fi 
    }{% 
      \} 
    \fi 
  
\} 

A similar sequence of tests handles the ‘fleqn or not fleqn’ question for the article and amsart documentclasses.

\ifpackagewith{amsmath}{fleqn}{{% 
  \def\eqindent{I}% 
}{{% 
  \edef\eqnumside{% 
    \if TT\csname fi\endcsname\csname if@fleqn\endcsname 
      I\else C\fi 
  }{% 
    \} 
  \fi 
}{
BRM: This conditional implies we must use ALL indented or ALL centered?

\%if \@eqindent
  \@ifundefined{mathindent}{%
    \newdimen\mathindent
  }{%
    \@ifundefined{@mathmargin}{}{%
      \mathindent\@mathmargin
    }
  }
\%
\fi

25 Measuring equation components

Measure the left-hand side of an equation. This function is called by mathrel symbols. For the first mathrel we want to discourage a line break more than for following mathrels; so \mark@lhs gobbles the following \rel@break and substitutes a higher penalty.

Maybe the LHS should be kept in a separate box.

\EQ@hasLHS Boolean: does this equation have a “left-hand side”?  
\let\EQ@hasLHS=\@False

\EQ@QED If nonempty: the qed material that should be incorporated into this equation after the final punctuation.
\let\EQ@QED=\@empty

\mark@lhs
\def\mark@lhs#1{%
  \ifnum\lr@level<\@ne
    \let\mark@lhs\relax
    \global\let\EQ@hasLHS=\@True
    \global\let\EQ@prebin@space=EQ@prebin@space@a
    \mark@lhs@a
  \else
    \penalty9999 % instead of normal \rel@break
    \% else no penalty = forbid break
    \fi
}
\mark@lhs@a

But the penalty for the first mathrel should still be lower than a binoppenalty. If not, when the LHS contains a binop, the split will occur inside the LHS rather than at the mathrel. On the other hand if we end up with a multline sort of equation layout where the RHS is very short, the break before the relation symbol should be made less desirable than the breakpoints inside the LHS. Since a lower penalty takes precedence over a higher one, we start by putting in the highest relpenalty; during subsequent measuring if we find that that RHS is not excessively short then we put in an extra “normal” rrelpenalty when rejoining the LHS and RHS.

\mark@lhs@0

Temporarily add an extra thickmuskip to the LHS; it will be removed later. This is necessary to compensate for the disappearance of the thickmuskip glue preceding a mathrel if a line break
is taken at that point. Otherwise we would have to make our definition of \texttt{mathrel} symbols more complicated, like the one for \texttt{mathbin}. The penalty of 2 put in with \texttt{vadjust} is a flag for \texttt{eq@repack} to suggest that the box containing this line should be measured to find the value of \texttt{eq@wdL}. The second \texttt{vadjust} ensures that the normal \texttt{ prerelpenalty} and \texttt{thickmuskip} will not get lost at the line break during this preliminary pass.

BRM: I originally thought the \texttt{mskip\thickmuskip} was messing up summation limits in LHS. But I may have fixed that problem by fixing other things...

\[ \def \mark@lhs@f{\mskip\thickmuskip\@@vadjust{\penalty\tw@}\penalty-\@Mi\@@vadjust{}{}} \]

\texttt{hiderel} If you want the LHS to extend past the first \texttt{mathrel} symbol to a following one, mark the first one with \texttt{hiderel}:
\[
a \backslash\texttt{hiderel}\{=\} b = c... \]

I'm not sure now why I didn't use \texttt{begingroup \endgroup} here

\texttt{mjd,1999/01/21}

\begin{verbatim}
\newcommand\hiderel[1]{\mathrel{\advance\lr@level\@ne#1}}
\end{verbatim}

The difficulty of dealing properly with the subscripts and superscripts sometimes appended to \texttt{mathbin} and \texttt{mathrel} is one of the reasons that we do not attempt to handle the \texttt{mathrels} as a separate 'column' a la \texttt{eqnarray}.

More of the same.
\ExplSyntaxOn
\let\m@@symRel\@symRel
\def\d@@symRel{\mark@lhs \rel@break \m@@symRel}
\cs_set_protected:Npn \math_dcsym_Bin:Nn { \bin@break \math_bcsym_Bin:Nn}
\cs_set_protected:Npn \math_dcsym_Rel:Nn { \mark@lhs \rel@break \math_bcsym_Rel:Nn}
\let\m@@symBin\@symBin \def\d@@symBin{\bin@break \m@@symBin}
\let\m@@symDel\@symDel
\let\m@@symDeR\@symDeR
\let\m@@symDeB\@symDeB
\let\m@@symDeA\@symDeA
\display@setup
\everydisplay Setup. Note that \LaTeX{} reserves the primitive \texttt{\everydisplay} under the name \texttt{\frozen\everydisplay}.
\BRM: Disable this! It also affects non-breqn math!!!!
%\global\everydisplay\expandafter{\the\everydisplay \display@setup}
\change some math symbol function calls.
\def\display@setup{%
\medmuskip\Dmedmuskip \thickmuskip\Dthickmuskip
\math_setup_display_symbols:
%%%% \let\m@Bin\d@@Bin
%%%% \let\m@Rel\d@@Rel
%%%% \let\@symRel\d@@symRel \let\@symBin\d@@symBin
%%%% \let\m@DeL\d@@DeL \let\m@DeR\d@@DeR \let\m@DeB\d@@DeB
%%%% \let\m@DeA\d@@DeA
%%%% \let\@symDeL\d@@symDeL \let\@symDeR\d@@symDeR
%%%% \let\@symDeB\d@@symDeB \let\@symDeA\d@@symDeA
\let\left\eq@left \let\right\eq@right \global\lr@level\z@
\global\eq@wdCond\z@ %BRM: new

If we have an embedded array environment (for example), we don’t want to have each math cell within the array resetting \lr@level globally to 0—not good! And in general I think it is safe to say that whenever we have a subordinate level of boxing we want to revert to a normal math setup.
\everyhbox{%\everyhbox\@emptytoks
\let\display@setup\relax \textmath@setup \let\textmath@setup\relax
}\
\everyvbox{%\everyvbox\@emptytoks
\let\display@setup\relax \textmath@setup \let\textmath@setup\relax
}\
\}
The \texttt{\textmath@setup} function is needed for embedded inline math inside text inside a display.
\BRM: DS Experiment: Variant of \texttt{\display@setup} for use within dseries environments
\def\dseries@display@setup{%
\medmuskip\Dmedmuskip \thickmuskip\Dthickmuskip
\math_setup_display_symbols:
%%%% \let\m@Bin\d@@Bin
%%%% \let\m@Rel\d@@Rel
%%%% \let\m@Bin\d@@symBin
%%%% \let\m@Rel\d@@symRel

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The test \ifinner is unreliable for distinguishing whether we are in a displayed formula or an inline formula: any display more complex than a simple one-line equation typically involves the use of $\displaystyle \ldots$ instead of $$\ldots$$. So we provide a more reliable test. But it might have been provided already by the amsmath package.

Is there any reason to maintain separate \everydisplay and \eqstyle?

26 The dmath and dmath* environments

Options for the dmath and dmath* environments.

\begin{dmath}[label={eq:xyz}]
\begin{dmath}[labelprefix={eq:],label={xyz}]
WSPR: added the option for a label prefix, designed to be used in the preamble like so:
\setkeys{breqn}{labelprefix={eq:))}
Allow a variant number.

\begin{dmath}[number=\ref{foo}\textprime]
\begin{dmath}[shiftnumber]
\begin{dmath}[holdnumber]
\begin{dmath}[density={.5}]
\begin{dmath}[indentstep={1em}]
\begin{dmath}[compact]
\begin{dmath}[compact=-2000]
To change the amount of indent for post-initial lines. Note: for lines that begin with a mathbin symbol there is a fixed amount of indent already built in (\eqbinoffset) and it cannot be reduced through this option. The indentstep amount is the indent used for lines that begin with a mathrel symbol.

\begin{dmath}[indentstep]\eqindentstep\relax
\begin{dmath}[compact]\eqindentstep\relax
\begin{dmath}[compact=-2000] \\end{dmath}\
To make mathrels stay inline to the extent possible, use the compact option. Can give a numeric value in the range $-10000 \ldots 10000$ to adjust the behavior. $-10000$: always break at a rel symbol; $10000$: never break at a rel symbol.

\begin{dmath}[compact][-99]{\prerelpenalty=#1}\relax
\begin{dmath}[layout={S}]
\begin{dmath}[layout={S}]\% Specifying a particular layout. We take care to ensure that \eq{layout} ends up containing one and only one letter.

\begin{dmath}[layout][?]\% \edef\eq{layout}{"\@car#1?\@nil}\%
\begin{dmath}[spread=1pt]
To change the interline spacing in a particular equation.

\begin{dmath}[style={\small}]
\end{dmath}

The style option is mainly intended for changing the type size of an equation but as a matter of fact you could put arbitrary \LaTeX code here—thus the option name is 'style' rather than just 'typesize'. In order for this option to work when setting options globally, we need to put the code in \eqstyle rather than execute it directly.

\begin{dmath}[shortskiplimit={1em}]
If the line immediately preceding a display has length $l$, the first line of the display is indented $i$, and a shortskip limit $s$ is set, then the spacing above the display is equal to \abovedisplayshortskip if $l + s < i$ and \abovedisplayskip otherwise. The default shortskip limit is 2 em which is what \LaTeX hardcodes but this parameter overrides that.
\end{dmath}

\begin{dmath}[frame]
The frame option merely puts a framebox around the body of the equation. To change the thickness of the frame, give the thickness as the argument of the option. For greater control, you can change the appearance of the frame by redefining \eqframe. It must be a command taking two arguments, the width and height of the equation body. The top left corner of the box produced by \eqframe will be pinned to the top-left corner of the equation body.
\end{dmath}

Wishful thinking?
\begin{dmath}[frame={width={2pt},color={blue},sep={2pt}}]
To change the space between the frame and the equation there is a framesep option.

\define@key{breqn}{framesep}{\fboxsep}{%
  \if\eq@frame F\def\eq@frame{T}\fi
  \dimen@=#1\relax \edef\eq@framesep{\the\dimen@}%
  \freeze@glue\eqlinespacing \freeze@glue\eqlineskip
}%
\def\eq@framesep{\fboxsep}

\begin{dmath}\[background={red}\]
Foreground and background colors for the equation. By default the background area that is colored is the size of the equation, plus fboxsep. If you need anything fancier for the background, you’d better do it by defining \eqframe in terms of \colorbox or \fcolorbox.

\define@key{breqn}{background}{\def\eq@background{#1}{\def\eq@foreground{#1}}}
\define@key{breqn}{color}{
% \begin{macrouse}
% \begin{dmath}[color={purple}]
\begin{dmath}[center]
\begin{dmath}[nocenter]
\begin{dgroup}[noalign]
Equation groups normally have alignment of the primary relation symbols across the whole group. The noalign option switches that behavior.
\begin{dgroup}[breakdepth={2}]
Break depth of 2 means that breaks are allowed at mathbin symbols inside two pairs of delimiters, but not three.
\begin{darray}[cols={lcrlcr}]
The cols option only makes sense for the darray environment but we liberally allow all the options to be used with all the environments and just ignore any unsensible ones that happen to come along.

\begin{macrouse}
\end{macrouse}
\end{darray}
FORMAT STATUS
\def\eqframe{T}%
CLM works tolerably
  \def\eqindent{C}\def\eqnumside{L}\def\eqnumplace{M}
CLT works tolerably
  \def\eqindent{C}\def\eqnumside{L}\def\eqnumplace{T}
ILM
  \def\eqindent{I}\def\eqnumside{L}\def\eqnumplace{M}\mathindent40\p@
ILT
  \def\eqindent{I}\def\eqnumside{L}\def\eqnumplace{T}\mathindent40\p@
Indended w/ left number
  work ok if mathindent is larger than number width,
  but then equations must fit into smaller space.
  Is shiftnumber allowed to put eqn at left, instead of indent?
CRM
  \def\eqindent{C}\def\eqnumside{R}\def\eqnumplace{M}
CRB
  \def\eqindent{C}\def\eqnumside{R}\def\eqnumplace{B}
IRM
  \def\eqindent{I}\def\eqnumside{R}\def\eqnumplace{M}\mathindent10\p@
IRB
  \def\eqindent{I}\def\eqnumside{R}\def\eqnumplace{B}\mathindent10\p@

The main environments.
BRM: The following incorporates several changes: 1) modifications supplied by MJD to fix
the eaten \paragraph problem. 2) Added \displaysetup here, rather than globally.

\@dmath@start@hook
\@dgroup@start@hook
\let\@dmath@start@hook\@empty
\let\@dgroup@start@hook\@empty
\enddmath
\dmath
For the dmath environment we don't want the standard optional arg processing because of the
way it skips over whitespace, including newline, while looking for the \[ char; which is not good
for math material. So we call @{optarg} instead.

\newenvironment{dmath}{%
  \@dmath@start@hook
  \let\eq@hasNumber\@True \@optarg\@dmath{}}{}
\def\@dmath[#1]{%
  ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{=== DMATH ===============================}%
  \everydisplay\expandafter{\the\everydisplay \displaysetup}%
  \if@noskipsec \leavevmode \fi
  \if@inlabel \leavevmode \global@inlabelfalse \fi
  \if\eq@group \else\eq@prelim\fi
  \setkeys{breqn}{#1}%
  \the\eqstyle
\the\eqstyle
The equation number might have been overridden in \ref{#1}.

\eq@setnumber

Start up the displayed equation by reading the contents into a box register. Enclose this phase in an extra group so that modified \hsize and other params will be auto-restored afterwards.

\begingroup
\eq@setup@a
\eq@startup
\}

Before it finishes off the box holding the equation body, \enddmath needs to look ahead for punctuation (and \qed?).

\def\enddmath#1{% 
  \check@punct@or@qed
}
\def\end@dmath{% 
  \gdef\EQ@setwdL{}% Occasionally undefined ???
  \eq@capture
  \endgroup
  \EQ@setwdL

Measure (a copy of) the equation body to find the minimum width required to get acceptable line breaks, how many lines will be required at that width, and whether the equation number needs to be shifted to avoid overlapping. This information will then be used by \eq@finish to do the typesetting of the real equation body.

\eq@measure

Piece together the equation from its constituents, recognizing current constraints. If we are in an equation group, this might just save the material on a stack for later processing.

\if\eq@group \grp@push \else \eq@finish\fi
\}

\dmath*
\enddmath*

Ah yes, now the lovely \dmath* environment.

\newenvironment{dmath*}{% 
  \@dmath@start@hook
  \let\eq@hasNumber\@False @optarg@dmath{}}{}
\@namedef{end@dmath*}{\end@dmath}
\@namedef{enddmath*}#1{\check@punct@or@qed

\eq@prelim

If \everypar has a non-null value, it’s probably some code from @{afterheading} that sets \clubpenalty and/or removes the parindent box. Both of those actions are irrelevant and interfering for our purposes and need to be deflected for the time being. If an equation appears at the very beginning of a list item (possibly from a trivlist such as \proof), we need to trigger the item label.

\def\eq@prelim{% 
  \if@inlabel \indent \par \fi
  \if@nobreak \global@nobreakfalse \predisplaypenalty\@M \fi
  \everypar\@emptytoks

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If for some reason \texttt{dmath} is called between paragraphs, \texttt{\noindent} is better than \texttt{\leavevmode}, which would produce an indent box and an empty line to hold it. If we are in a list environment, \texttt{\par} is defined as \texttt{\{@@par\}} to preserve \texttt{\parshape}.

489 \noindent
490 \eq@nulldisplay
491 \par \%
492 \eq@saveparinfo \%
493 \let\intertext\breqn@intertext
494 \}

\texttt{\breqn@parshape@warning} Warning message extracted to a separate function to streamline the calling function.
494 \def\breqn@parshape@warning{%
495 \PackageWarning{breqn}{% Complex paragraph shape cannot be followed by this equation}%
496 \}

\texttt{\eq@prevshape} Storage; see \texttt{\eq@saveparinfo}.
498 \let\eq@prevshape\@empty

\texttt{\eq@saveparinfo} Save the number of lines and parshape info for the text preceding the equation.
499 \def\eq@saveparinfo{%
500 \count@\prevgraf \advance\count@-\thr@@ % for the null display
501 \def\eq@prevshape{\prevgraf\the\count@\space}%
502 \ifcase\parshape
503 % case 0: no action required
504 \or \edef\eq@prevshape{\eq@prevshape
505 \parshape\@ne\displayindent\displaywidth\relax
506 }%
507 \}
508 \}

Maybe best to set \texttt{\eq@prevshape} the same in the else case also. Better than nothing.
509 \else
510 \breqn@parshape@warning
511 \fi
512 \}

\texttt{\eq@setnumber} If the current equation number is not explicitly given, then use an auto-generated number, unless the no-number switch has been thrown (\texttt{dmath*}). \texttt{\theequation} is the number form to be used for all equations, \texttt{\eq@number} is the actual value for the current equation (might be an exception to the usual sequence).
511 \def\eq@setnumber{%
512 \eq@wdNum\z@
513 \if\eq@hasNumber
514 \iffalse\eq@number\@empty
515 \stepcounter{equation}\let\eq@number\theequation
516 \fi
517 \fi
518 \}

This sets up numbox, etc, even if unnumbered?????
Put the number in a box so we can use its measurements in our number-placement calculations. The extra braces around \eqnumform make it possible for \eqnumfont to have either an \itshape (recommended) or a \textit value.

\begin{verbatim}
520 \{trace\} \breqn@debugmsg{Number \eq@number}\
521 \set@label{equation}\eq@number
522 \global\sbox{EQ@numbox}{\next@label \global\let\next@label\@empty
523 \eqnumcolor\eqnumsize\eqnumfont{\eqnumform{\eq@number}}\%
524 \}%
525 \global\eq@wdNum=\wd{EQ@numbox}\global\advance\eq@wdNum=\eqnumsep
526 % \let\eq@hasNumber\@True % locally true
527 \fi
528 \fi
529 \}
\end{verbatim}

The information available at this point from preliminary measuring includes the number of lines required, the width of the equation number, the total height of the equation body, and (most important) the parshape spec that was used in determining height and number of lines.

Invoke the equation formatter for the requested centering/indentation having worked out the best parshape. BRM: This portion is extensively refactored to get common operations together (so corrections get consistently applied).

MH: I’ve destroyed Bruce’s nice refactoring a bit to get the abovedisplayskips correct for both groups of equations and single dmath environments. I will have to redo that later.

\begin{verbatim}
531 \newcount{eq@final@linecount}
532 \let{eq@GRP@first@dmath}@True
533 \def{eq@finish}{%
534 \begingroup
535 \{trace\} \breqn@debugmsg{Formatting equation}\
536 \{trace\} \debug@showmeasurements
537 \if\F\eq@frame\else
538 \freeze@glsue\equalinespacing \freeze@glsue\equalineskip
539 \fi
540 \else \eq@topspace{\vskip\parskip}% Set top spacing
541 \csname eq@\eqindent@setsides\endcsname % Compute \leftskip,\rightskip
542 \adjust@parshape{eq@parshape}% Final adjustment of parshape for left\right skips
543 \fi
544 \else \eq@topspace{\vskip\parskip}% Set top spacing
545 \csname eq@eqindent@setsides\endcsname % Compute \leftskip,\rightskip
546 \adjust@parshape{eq@parshape}% Final adjustment of parshape for left\right skips
547 \fi
\endgroup
\end{verbatim}

If we are in an a group of equations we don’t want to calculate the top space for the first one as that will be delayed until later when the space for the group is calculated. However, we do need to store the leftskip used here as that will be used later on for calculating the top space.

\begin{verbatim}
548 \if{eq@group}
549 \if{eq@GRP@first@dmath}
550 \global\let{eq@GRP@first@dmath}@False
551 \xdef{dmath@first@leftskip}{\leftskip=the\leftskip\relax}%
552 \{trace\} \breqn@debugmsg{Stored\space\dmath@first@leftskip}\
553 \else
554 \eq@topspace{\vskip\parskip}% Set top spacing
555 \fi
556 \else \eq@topspace{\vskip\parskip}% Set top spacing
557 \fi
558 \else \eq@topspace{\vskip\parskip}% Set top spacing
559 \fi
\end{verbatim}
We now know the final line count of the display. If it is a single-line display, we want to know as that greatly simplifies the equation tag placement (until such a time where this algorithm has been straightened out).

\afterassignment\remove@to@nnil
\eq@final@linecount=\expandafter\@gobble\eq@parshape\@nnil

Now, invoke the appropriate typesetter according to number placement

\if\eq@hasNumber
  \if\eq@shiftnumber
    \csname eq@typeset@\eqnumside Shifted\endcsname
  \else
    \ifnum\eq@final@linecount=\@ne
      \csname eq@typeset@\eqnumside @single\endcsname
    \else
      \csname eq@typeset@\eqnumside\eqnumplace\endcsname
    \fi
  \fi
\else
  \eq@typeset@Unnumbered
\fi
\endgroup
\eq@botspace

These are temporary until the tag position algorithm gets rewritten. At least the tag is positioned correctly for single-line displays. The horizontal frame position is not correct but the problem lies elsewhere.

\def\eq@typeset@L@single{%
  \nobreak
  \eq@params\eq@parshape
  \nointerlineskip
  \add@grp@label
  \rlap{\kern-\leftskip\box\EQ@numbox}\
  \if F\eq@frame
  \else
    \rlap{\raise\eq@firstht\hbox to\z@{\eq@addframe\hss}}\
    \fi
  \eq@dump@box\unhbox\EQ@box \@@par
}\def\eq@typeset@R@single{%
  \nobreak
  \eq@params\eq@parshape
  \nointerlineskip
  \add@grp@label
  \rlap{\kern-\leftskip\box\EQ@numbox}\
  \if F\eq@frame
  \else
    \rlap{\raise\eq@firstht\hbox to\z@{\eq@addframe\hss}}\
    \fi
  \eq@dump@box\unhbox\EQ@box \@@par
}
27 Special processing for end-of-equation

At the end of a displayed equation environment we need to peek ahead for two things: following punctuation such as period or command that should be pulled in for inclusion at the end of the equation; and possibly also an \end{proof} with an implied “qed” symbol that is traditionally included at the end of the display rather than typeset on a separate line. We could require that the users type \qed explicitly at the end of the display when they want to have the display take notice of it. But the reason for doing that would only be to save work for the programmer; the most natural document markup would allow an inline equation and a displayed equation at the end of a proof to differ only in the environment name:

... \begin{math} ... \end{math}.
\end{proof}

versus

... \begin{dmath} ...
\end{dmath}.
\end{proof}

The technical difficulties involved in supporting this markup within \LaTeX\ 2e are, admittedly, nontrivial. Nonetheless, let’s see how far we can go.

The variations that we will support are only the most straightforward ones:

\end{dmath}.
\end{proof}

or

\end{dmath}.
\end{proof}

Perhaps a comment
\end{proof}

If there is anything more complicated than a space after the period we will not attempt to scan any further for a possible \end{proof}. This includes material such as:

\begin{figure}...
\end{figure}%
\footnote{...}
\renewcommand{\foo}{...}
\par
or even a blank line—because in \LaTeX a blank line is equivalent to \par and the meaning of \par is “end-paragraph”; in my opinion if explicit end-of-paragraph markup is given before the end of an element, it has to be respected, and the preceding paragraph has to be fully finished off before proceeding further, even inside an element like “proof” whose end-element formatting requires integration with the end of the paragraph text. And \TeX technically speaking, a \par token that comes from a blank line and one that comes from the sequence of characters \par are equally explicit. I hope to add support for \footnote in the future, as it seems to be a legitimate markup possibility in that context from a purely logical point of view, but there are additional technical complications if one wants to handle it in full generality.

\texttt{mjd,1999/02/08}

\texttt{\peek@branch}
This is a generalized “look at next token and choose some action based on it” function.

\texttt{\check@punct}
For this one we need to recognize and grab for inclusion any of the following tokens: ,;!.?, both catcode 12 (standard \LaTeX value) and catcode 13 (as might hold when the Babel package is being used). We do not support a space preceding the punctuation since that would be considered simply invalid markup if a display-math environment were demoted to in-line math; and we want to keep their markup as parallel as possible. If punctuation does not follow, then the \texttt{\check@qed} branch is not applicable.
For each environment ENV that takes an implied qed at the end, the control sequence ENVqed must be defined; and it must include suitable code to yield the desired results in a displayed equation.

The lookahead for punctuation following a display requires mucking about with the normal operation of \end. Although this is not exactly something to be done lightly, on the other hand this whole package is so over-the-top anyway, what’s a little more going to hurt? And rationalizing this aspect of equation markup is a worthy cause. Here is the usual definition of \end.

\latexend
\finishend
We can improve the chances of this code surviving through future minor changes in the fundamental definition of \end by taking a little care in saving the original meaning.

\def\@tempa#1\endcsname#2\@nil{\def\latex@end##1{#2}}
\expandafter\@tempa\end{#1}\@nil
\def\end#1{\csname end#1\endcsname \latex@end{#1}}

Why don’t we call \CheckCommand here? Because that doesn’t help end users much; it works better to use it during package testing by the maintainer.

If a particular environment needs to call a different end action, the end command of the environment should be defined to gobble two args and then call a function like \check@punct@or@qed.

\def\check@punct@or@qed#1{\xdef\found@punct{\@empty}% BRM: punctuation was being remembered past this eqn.
\def\finish@end{\csname end@#1\endcsname\latex@end{#1}}%
\check@punct}

\eqpunct User-settable function for handling the punctuation at the end of an equation. You could, for example, define it to just discard the punctuation.
\newcommand\eqpunct[1]{\thinspace#1}

\set@label \set@label just sets \@currentlabel but it takes the counter as an argument, in the hope that \LaTeX will some day provide an improved labeling system that includes type info on the labels.
\providecommand\set@label[2]{\protected@edef\@currentlabel{#2}}

\eq@topspace \eq@botspace The action of \eq@topspace is complicated by the need to test whether the ‘short’ versions of the display skips should be used. This can be done only after the final parshape and indent have been determined, so the calls of this function are buried relatively deeply in the code by comparison to the calls of \eq@botspace. This also allows us to optimize slightly by setting the above-skip with \parskip instead of \vskip. #1 is either \noindent or \vskip\parskip.
BRM: Hmm; we need to do *\@setspace BEFORE this for small skips to work!
\def\eq@topspace#1{\begingroup\global\let_EQ@shortskips\@False
If we are in dgroup or dgroup* and not before the top one, we just insert \intereqskip. Otherwise we must check for shortskip.
\if\@And{\eq@group}{\@Not\eq@GRP@first@dmath}ṃ
\trace\breqn@debugmsg{Between lines}ṃ
\parskip\intereqskip \penalty\intereqpenalty
\trace\breqn@debugmsg{parskip=\the\parskip}ṃ
\else
\eq@check@shortskip
\if\EQ@shortskips
\parskip\abovedisplayshortskip
\aftergroup\belowdisplayshortskip
\else
\aftergroup\belowdisplayskip
\aftergroup\belowdisplayshortskip
\fi
\fi
\endgroup}
BRM: Not exactly TeX's approach, but seems right...

\ifdim\predisplaysize>\z@\nointerlineskip\fi
\else
\parskip\abovedisplayskip
\fi
\fi
\if F\eq@frame
\else
\addtolength\parskip{\eq@framesep+\eq@framewd}\
\fi
⟨∗
\breqn@debugmsg{Topspace: \theb@@le\EQ@shortskips, \parskip=\the\parskip,}
\predisplaysize=\the\predisplaysize}\
⟨/
#1%
\endgroup
\eq@check@shortskip
\def\eq@check@shortskip {%
\global\let\EQ@shortskips\@False
\setlength\dim@a{\abovedisplayskip+\ht\EQ@numbox}%

Here we work around the hardwired standard TeX value and use the designer parameter instead.
\ifdim\leftskip<\predisplaysize
\else
If the display was preceded by a blank line, \predisplaysize is −\maxdimen and so we should insert a fairly large skip to separate paragraphs, i.e., no short skip. Perhaps this should be a third parameter \abovedisplayparskip.
\ifdim -\maxdimen=\predisplaysize
\else
\if R\eqnumside
\global\let\EQ@shortskips\@True
\else
\if\eq@shiftnumber
\else
\if T\eqnumplace
\ifdim\dim@a<\eq@firstht
\global\let\EQ@shortskips\@True
\fi
\else
\setlength\dim@b{\eq@vspan/2}\
\ifdim\dim@a<\dim@b
\global\let\EQ@shortskips\@True
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
At the end of an equation, need to put in a pagebreak penalty and some vertical space. Also set some flags to remove parindent and extra word space if the current paragraph text continues without an intervening \par.

\def\eq@botspace{% 
\penalty\postdisplaypenalty Earlier calculations will have set \belowdisplayskip locally to \belowdisplayshortskip if applicable. So we can just use it here.
\if F\eq@frame 
\else
\addtolength{\belowdisplayskip}{\eq@framesep+\eq@framewd}%%
\fi
\vskip{\belowdisplayskip} \@endpetrue \% kill parindent if current paragraph continues
\global{\ignoretrue} \% ignore following spaces
\eq@resume@parshape
\eq@resume@parshape
This should calculate the total height of the equation, including space above and below, and set prevgraf to the number it would be if that height were taken up by normally-spaced normal-height lines. We also need to restore parshape if it had a non-null value before the equation. Not implemented yet.

\def\eq@resume@parshape{}

28 Preprocessing the equation body

\eq@startup
Here is the function that initially collects the equation material in a box.
\def\eq@startup{% 
\global{\let\EQ@hasLHS\@False}
\setbox{z@}{vbox{bgroup 
\noindent \@@math \displaystyle
\penalty-\@Mi}
\%\let\@newline\eq@newline \% future possibility?
\let\\\eq@newline
\let\insert\eq@insert \let\mark\eq@mark \let\vadjust\eq@vadjust
\hsize\maxdimen \pretolerance\@M
This setup defines the environment for the first typesetting pass, note the \hspace value for example.
\def\eq@setup@a{%
\everymath\everydisplay
\%\let@newline\eq@newline \% future possibility?
\let\\\eq@newline
\let\insert\eq@insert \let\mark\eq@mark \let\vadjust\eq@vadjust
\hspace\maxdimen \pretolerance\@M
Here it is better not to use \@flushglue (0pt plus1fil) for \rightskip, or else a negative penalty (such as \-99 for \prerelpenalty) will tempt \TeX{} to use more line breaks than necessary in the first typesetting pass. Ideal values for \rightskip and \linepenalty are
The contents of an equation after the initial typesetting pass, as shown by \showlists. This is the material on which the \eq@repack function operates. The equation was

\[ a = b + \left( \frac{c}{2} - d \right) + (e - f) + g \]

The contents are shown in four parts in this figure and the next three. The first part contains two line boxes, one for the mathon node and one for the LHS.

\hbox(0.0+0.0)x16383.99998, glue set 1.6384
\mathon
\penalty -10000
\glue(\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0
\penalty 1
\glue(\baselineskip) 7.69446
\hbox(4.30554+0.0)x16383.99998, glue set 1.63759
\OML/cmm/m/it/10 a
\glue 2.77771 minus 1.11108
\penalty -10001
\glue(\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0
\penalty 2
\glue(\lineskip) 1.0
...

Figure 1: Preliminary equation contents, part 1

unclear to me, but they are rather sensitively interdependent. Choice of 10000 pt for rightskip is derived by saying, let’s use a value smaller than 1 fil and smaller than \hspace, but more than half of \hspace so that if a line is nearly empty, the glue stretch factor will always be less than 2.0 and so the badness will be less than 100 and so \TeX will not issue badness warnings.

\linepenalty\@m
\rightskip\z@\@plus\@M\p@ \leftskip\z@skip \parfillskip\z@skip
\clubpenalty\@ne \widowpenalty\z@ \interlinepenalty\z@

After a relation symbol is discovered, binop symbols should start including a special offset space. But until then \EQ@prebin@space is a no-op.

\global\let\EQ@prebin@space\relax

Set binoppenalty and relpenalty high to prohibit line breaks after mathbins and mathrels. As a matter of fact, the penalties are then omitted by \TeX, since bare glue without a penalty is not a valid breakpoint if it occurs within mathon–mathoff items.

\binoppenalty\OM \relpenalty\OM

If an equation ends with a \right delim, the last thing on the math list will be a force-break penalty. Then don’t redundantly add another forcing penalty. (question: when does a penalty after a linebreak not disappear? Answer: when you have two forced break penalties in a row). Ending punctuation, if any, goes into the last box with the mathoff kern. If the math list ends
This is the first part of the RHS, up to the \right, where a line break has been forced so that we can break open the left-right box.

\penalty 2
\glue(\lineskip) 1.0
\hbox(14.9051+9.50012)x16383.99998, glue set 1.63107
\penalty -99
\glue(\thickmuskip) 2.77771 minus 1.11108
\OML/cmm/m/it/10 b
\penalty 888
\glue -10.5553
\rule(***)x0.0
\penalty 10000
\glue 10.5553
\glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663
\OMX/cmex/m/n/5 \hat \hat R
\hbox(14.9051+6.85951)x11.21368
... [fraction contents, elided]
\penalty 5332
\rule(***)x0.0
\penalty 10000
\glue 10.5553
\glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663
\OMS/cmsy/m/n/10 \hat \hat @
\glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663
\OML/cmm/m/it/10 d
\hbox(0.39998+23.60025)x7.36115, shifted -14.10013
\OMX/cmex/m/n/5 \hat \hat S
\penalty -10000
\glue(\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0
\penalty 3
\glue(\lineskip) 1.0
...

Figure 2: Preliminary equation contents, part 2
This is the remainder of the RHS after the post-\texttt{\textbackslash right} split.

\ ...
\penalty 3
\texttt{\textbackslash glue\textbackslash (lineskip) 1.0}
\texttt{\textbackslash hbox(7.5+2.5)x16383.99998, glue set 1.63239}
\penalty 888
\texttt{\textbackslash glue -10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash rule(***)x0.0}
\penalty 10000
\texttt{\textbackslash glue 10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OT1/cmrmn/10 +}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OT1/cmrmn/10 (}
\texttt{\textbackslash OML/cmm/m/10it/10 e}
\penalty 5332
\texttt{\textbackslash glue -10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash rule(***)x0.0}
\penalty 10000
\texttt{\textbackslash glue 10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OMS/cmsymn/10 \hat \hat @}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OML/cmm/m/10it/10 f}
\kern1.0764
\texttt{\textbackslash OT1/cmrmn/10 )}
\penalty 888
\texttt{\textbackslash glue -10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash rule(***)x0.0}
\penalty 10000
\texttt{\textbackslash glue 10.5553}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OT1/cmrmn/10 +}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\medmuskip) 2.22217 minus 1.66663}
\texttt{\textbackslash OML/cmm/m/10it/10 g}
\kern0.35878
\penalty -10000
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0}
\texttt{\textbackslash glue(\baselineskip) 9.5}

\ ...

Figure 3: Preliminary equation contents, part 3
This is the mathoff fragment.

... \\
\glue(\baselineskip) 9.5 \\
\hbox(0.0+0.0)x16383.99998, glue set 1.6384 \\
.mathoff \\
.penalty 10000 \\
.glue(\parfillskip) 0.0 \\
.glue(\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0 \\

Figure 4: Preliminary equation contents, part 4

with a slanted letter, then there will be an italic correction added after it by \TeX. Should we remove it? I guess so.

28.1 Capturing the equation

BRM: There’s a problem here (or with \ss@scan). If the LHS has \left \right pairs, \ss@scan gets involved. It seems to produce a separate box marked w/\penalty 3. But it appears that \eq@repack is only expecting a single box for the LHS; when it measures that box it’s missing the (typically larger) bracketed section, so the LHS is measured =¿ 0pt (or very small). I’m not entirely clear what Michael had in mind for this case; whether it’s an oversight, or whether I’ve introduced some other bug. At any rate, my solution is to measure the RHS (accumulated in \EQ@box), at the time of the relation, and subtract that from the total size.

newdimen\eq@wdR \z@%BRM
\def\eq@capture{%
  ifnum\lastpenalty>\-\@M \penalty\-\@Mi \fi
 We want to keep the mathoff kern from vanishing at the line break, so that we can reuse it later.

\keep@glue\@@endmath \\
\eq@addpunct \\
\@@par \\
\eq@wdL \z@ \\

First snip the last box, which contains the mathoff node, and put it into \EQ@box. Then when we call \eq@repack it will recurse properly.

\setbox\tw@*\lastbox \\
\global\setbox\EQ@box\hbox{\unhbox\tw@\unskip\unskip\unpenalty}% \\
\unskip\unpenalty \\
\global\setbox\EQ@copy\copy\EQ@box \\
%% \global\setbox\EQ@vimcopy\copy\EQ@vimbox \\
\clubpenalty\z@%BRM: eq@wdL patch \\
%\batchmode\showboxbreadth\maxdimen\showboxdepth99\showlists\errorstopmode \\
\eq@wdR \z@\%BRM: eq@wdL patch \\
\eq@repack \% recursive \\

Finally, add the mathon item to \EQ@box and \EQ@copy.
Now we have two copies of the equation, one in `\EQ@box`, and one in `\EQ@copy` with inconvenient stuff like inserts and marks omitted.

`\eq@addpunct` is for tacking on text punctuation at the end of a display, if any was captured by the `gp` lookahead.

\begin{macrocode}
\def\eq@addpunct{%
  \ifx\found@punct\@empty
  \else \eqpunct{\found@punct}\fi
  \EQ@afterspace
}
\end{macrocode}

Needed for the `dseries` environment, among other things.

\begin{macrocode}
\global\let\EQ@afterspace\@empty
\end{macrocode}

\texttt{\eq@repack} The \texttt{\eq@repack} function looks at the information at hand and proceeds accordingly.

\TeX\ Note: this scans BACKWARDS from the end of the math.
\ifcase \lastpenalty
  \setbox \tw@ \lastbox
  \eq@repacka \EQ@copy \eq@repacka \EQ@box
  \unskip
  \or % case 1: finished recursing
  \Grab the mathon object since we need it to inhibit line breaking at bare glue nodes later.

  \setbox \tw@ \lastbox
  \eq@repacka \EQ@copy \eq@repacka \EQ@box
  \@xp \@gobble
  \or % case 2: save box width = LHS width
  Don't need to set \EQ@hasLHS here because it was set earlier if applicable.

  \setbox \tw@ \lastbox
  \setbox \z@ \hbox {\unhbox \z@ \unskip \unpenalty \unskip}
  \addtolength \eq@wdL {\wd \z@}% BRM: eq@wdL patch
  \setlength \eq@wdR {\wd \EQ@box}
  \xdef \EQ@setwdL {\eq@wdL \the \eq@wdL \relax}%
  At this point, box 2 typically ends with
  .\mi10 a
  .\glue 2.77771 plus 2.77771
  .\penalty -10001
  .\glue (\rightskip) 0.0 plus 10000.0
  and we want to ensure that the thickmuskip glue gets removed. And we now arrange for
  \EQ@copy and \EQ@box to keep the LHS in a separate subbox; this is so that we can introduce a
  different penalty before the first relation symbol if necessary, depending on the layout decisions
  that are made later.

  \global \setbox \EQ@copy \hbox {%
    \hbox {\unhcopy \tw@ \unskip \unpenalty \unskip}
    \box \EQ@copy
  }%
  \global \setbox \EQ@box \hbox {%
    \hbox {\unhbox \tw@ \unskip \unpenalty \unskip}
    \box \EQ@box
  }%
  \unskip
  \or % case 3: unpack left-right box
  \unpenalty
  \eq@lrunpack
  \else
  \breqn@repack@err
  \fi
  \eq@repack % RECURSE
\}

Error message extracted to streamline calling function.
\def\breqn@repack@err{% 
\PackageError{breqn}{eq@repack penalty neq 0,1,2,3}\relax 
}

\eq@repack We need to transfer each line into two separate boxes, one containing everything and one that omits stuff like \inserts that would interfere with measuring.

\def\eq@repacka#1{% 
\global\setbox#1\hbox{\unhcopy\tw@ \unskip 
\count@-\lastpenalty 
\ifnum\count@<\@M \else \advance\count@-\@M \fi 
\unpenalty 
If creating the measure copy, ignore all cases above case 3 by folding them into case 1. 
\ifx\EQ@copy#1\ifnum\count@>\thr@@ \count@\@ne\fi\fi
\ifcase\count@ 
% case 0, normal line break 
\penalty-\@M % put back the linebreak penalty 
\or % case 1, do nothing (end of equation)
\relax 
\or % case 2, no-op (obsolete case)
\or % case 3, transfer vspace and/or penalty 
\ifx\#1\EQ@box \eq@revspace \else \eq@revspaceb \fi
\or % case 4, put back an insert 
\eq@reinsert 
\or % case 5, put back a mark 
\eq@remark 
\or % case 6, put back a vadjust 
\eq@readjust 
\else % some other break penalty 
\penalty-\count@ 
\fi
\fi
\unhbox#1}%

\eq@nulldisplay Throw in a null display in order to get predisplaysize etc.. My original approach here was to start the null display, then measure the equation, and set a phantom of the equation’s first line before ending the null display. That would allow finding out if \TeX used the short displayskips instead of the normal ones. But because of some complications with grouping and the desirability of omitting unnecessary invisible material on the vertical list, it seems better to just collect information about the display (getting prevdepth requires halign) and manually perform our own version of \TeX’s shortskip calculations. This approach also gives greater control, e.g., the threshold amount of horizontal space between predisplaysize and the equation’s left edge that determines when the short skips kick in becomes a designer-settable parameter rather than hardwired into \TeX.

\def\eq@nulldisplay{% 
\begingroup \frozen@everydisplay\@emptytoks 
\@@display 
\predisplaypenalty\@M \postdisplaypenalty\@M 
\abovedisplayskip\z@skip \abovedisplayshortskip\z@skip 
\belowdisplayskip\z@skip \belowdisplayshortskip\z@skip 
}
Not sure how best to test whether leftmargin should be added. Let’s do this for now [mjd, 1997/10/08].

An \halign containing only one \cr (for the preamble) puts no box on the vertical list, which means that no \baselineskip will be added (so we didn’t need to set it to zero) and the previous value of prevdepth carries through. Those properties do not hold for an empty simple equation without \halign.

Here we use \@ifnext so that in a sequence like

...\
[a,b]

\LaTeX does not attempt to interpret the [a,b] as a vertical space amount. We would have used \eq@break in the definition of \eq@newline except that it puts in a \keep@glue object which is not such a good idea if a mathbin symbol follows—the indent of the mathbin will be wrong because the leading negative glue will not disappear as it should at the line break.

When \eq@revspace (re-vspace) is called, we are the end of an equation line; we need to remove the existing penalty of −10002 in order to put a \vadjust object in front of it, then put back the penalty so that the line break will still take place in the final result.
needs work

Figure 5: first-approximation parshape for equations

The b version is used for the $\text{EQ@copy}$ box.

\def\eq@revspaceb{%
\global\setbox\EQ@vimcopy\vbox{\unvbox\EQ@vimcopy
\unpenalty
\global\setbox@ne\lastbox}%
\@@vadjust{\unvbox@ne}%
\penalty-\@M}

\eq@break The function \texttt{\eq@break} does a preliminary linebreak with a flag penalty.

\def\eq@break#1{\penalty-1000#1 \keep@glue}

29 Choosing optimal line breaks

The question of what line width to use when breaking an equation into several lines is best examined in the light of an extreme example. Suppose we have a two-column layout and a displayed equation falls inside a second-level list with nonzero leftmargin and rightmargin. Then we want to try in succession a number of different possibilities. In each case if the next possibility is no wider than the previous one, skip ahead to the one after.

1. First try linewidth(2), the linewidth for the current level-2 list.
2. If we cannot find adequate linebreaks at that width, next try listwidth(2), the sum of leftmargin, linewidth, and rightmargin for the current list.
3. If we cannot find linebreaks at that width, next try linewidth (1) (skipping this step if it is no larger then listwidth(2)).
4. If we cannot find linebreaks at that width, next try listwidth(1).
5. If we cannot find linebreaks at that width, next try column width.
6. If we cannot find linebreaks at that width, next try text width.
7. If we cannot find linebreaks at that width, next try equation width, if it exceeds text width (i.e., if the style allows equations to extend into the margins).

At any given line width, we run through a series of parshape trials and, essentially, use the first one that gives decent line breaks. But the process is a bit more complicated in fact. In order to do a really good job of setting up the parshapes, we need to know how many lines the equation will require. And of course the number of lines needed depends on the parshape! So as our very first trial we run a simple first-approximation parshape (Figure 5) whose main purpose is to get an estimate on the number of lines that will be needed; it chooses a uniform indent for all lines after the first one and does not take any account of the equation number. A substantial majority of equations only require one line anyway, and for them this first trial
will succeed. In the one-line case if there is an equation number and it doesn’t fit on the same line as the equation body, we don’t go on to other trials because breaking up the equation body will not gain us anything—we know that we’ll have to use two lines in any case—so we might as well keep the equation body together on one line and shift the number to a separate line.

If we learn from the first trial that the equation body requires more than one line, the next parshape trial involves adjusting the previous parshape to leave room for the equation number, if present. If no number is present, again no further trials are needed.

Some remarks about parshape handling. The \texttt{\texttt{parshape}} primitive doesn’t store the line specs anywhere, \texttt{\the\parshape} only returns the number of line specs. This makes it well nigh impossible for different packages that use \texttt{\parshape} to work together. Not that it would be terribly easy for the package authors to make inter-package collaboration work, if it were possible. If we optimistically conjecture that someone some day may take on such a task, then the thing to do, obviously, is provide a parshape interface that includes a record of all the line specs. For that we designate a macro \texttt{\@parshape} which includes not only the line specs, but also the line count and even the leading \texttt{\parshape} token. This allows it to be directly executed without an auxiliary if-empty test. It should include a trailing \texttt{\relax} when it has a nonempty value.

\texttt{\eq@measure} runs line-breaking trials on the copy of the equation body that is stored in the box register \texttt{\EQ@copy}, trying various possible layouts in order of preference until we get successful line breaks, where ‘successful’ means there were no overfull lines. The result of the trials is, first, a parshape spec that can be used for typesetting the real equation body in \texttt{\EQ@box}, and second, some information that depends on the line breaks such as the depth of the last line, the height of the first line, and positioning information for the equation number. The two main variables in the equation layout are the line width and the placement of the equation number, if one is present.

\begin{verbatim}
\eq@measure  Run linebreak trials on the equation contents and measure the results.
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{\def\eq@measure}{%}
If an override value is given for indentstep in the env options, use it.
\texttt{\ifdim\eq@indentstep=\maxdimen \eq@indentstep \eqindentstep \fi}
If \texttt{\eq@linewidth} is nonzero at this point, it means that the user specified a particular target width for this equation. In that case we override the normal list of trial widths.
\texttt{\ifdim\eq@linewidth=\z@ \else \edef\eq@linewidths{{\the\eq@linewidth}}\fi}
\texttt{\begingroup \eq@params}
\texttt{\leftskip\z@skip}
\texttt{\rightskip\z@\@plus\columnwidth\@minus\hfuzz}
Even if \texttt{\hfuzz} is greater than zero a box whose contents exceed the target width by less then \texttt{\hfuzz} still has a reported badness value of 1000000 (infinitely bad). Because we use inf-bad to test whether a particular trial succeeds or fails, we want to make such boxes return a smaller badness. To this end we include an \texttt{\hfuzz} allowance in \texttt{\rightskip}. In fact, \texttt{\eq@params} ensures that \texttt{\hfuzz} for equations is at least 1pt.
\texttt{\global\EQ@continue{\eq@trial}%%}
\eq@trial \% uses \eq@linewidths
\eq@failout \% will be a no-op if the trial succeeded
\endgroup
‘local’ parameter settings are passed outside the endgroup through \EQ@trial.
\EQ@trial
{⟨∗trace⟩}
\def\debug@showmeasurements{%
\breqn@debugmsg{=> \number\eq@lines \space lines}%
\begingroup
\def\@elt##1X##2{\MessageBreak==== \space\space##1/##2}%
\let\@endelt\@empty
\breqn@debugmsg{=> trial info: \eq@measurements}%
\let\@elt\relax \let\@endelt\relax
\endgroup
}
\def\debug@showmeasurements{%
\begingroup
\def\@elt##1X##2{\MessageBreak==== \space\space##1/##2}%
\let\@endelt\@empty
\breqn@debugmsg{===> Measurements: \number\eq@lines \space lines
\eq@measurements
\MessageBreak
==== bounding box: \the\eq@wdT \times \the\eq@vspan, badness=\the\eq@badness}
\let\@elt\relax \let\@endelt\relax
\endgroup
}
⟨/trace⟩

Layout Trials Driver Basically, trying different sequences of parshapes.
\EQ@trial Init.
\let\EQ@trial\@empty
\EQ@continue This is a token register used to carry trial info past a group boundary with only one global assignment.
\newtoks\EQ@continue
\EQ@widths This is used for storing the actual line-width info of the equation contents after breaking.
\let\EQ@widths\@empty
\EQ@fallback \let\EQ@fallback\@empty
\eq@linewidths This is the list of target widths for line breaking.
\def\eq@linewidths{\displaywidth\linewidth\columnwidth}
\eqtrial  The \eqtrial function tries each candidate line width in \eqlinewidths until an equation layout is found that yields satisfactory line breaks.

\eqtrial@a  The \eqtrial@a function reads the leading line width from \eqlinewidths; if the new line width is greater than the previous one, start running trials with it; otherwise do nothing with it. Finally, run a peculiar \edef that leaves \eqlinewidths redefined to be the tail of the list. If we succeed in finding satisfactory line breaks for the equation, we will reset \EQ@continue in such a way that it will terminate the current trials. An obvious branch here would be to check whether the width of \EQ@copy is less than \eqlinewidth and go immediately to the one-line case if so. However, if the equation contains more than one RHS, by default each additional RHS starts on a new line—i.e., we want the ladder layout anyway. So we choose the initial trial on an assumption of multiple lines and leave the one-line case to fall out naturally at a later point.

\eqtrial@succeed  Success.

\eqtrial@done  Success.
\begin{verbatim}
  (trace) \breqn@debugmsg{End trial: Success!}\%
  \let\eq@failout\relax
}

\eq@trial@init This is called from \eq@trial@b to initialize or re-initialize certain variables as needed when running one or more trials at a given line width. By default assume success, skip the fallback code.
  \def\eq@trial@init{\global\let\EQ@fallback\eq@nextlayout}

\eq@nextlayout In the fallback case cancel the current group to avoid unnecessary group nesting (with associated save-stack cost, etc.).
  \def\eq@nextlayout#1{\%  
  \endgroup
  \langle trace \rangle \breqn@debugmsg{Nope ... that ain't gonna work.} \%
  \begingroup #1\%
}

\eq@failout. \def\eq@failout{\%
  \langle trace \rangle \breqn@debugmsg{End trial: failout} \%
  \global\let\EQ@trial\EQ@last@trial
}

\eq@trial@save Save the parameters of the current trial.
  \def\eq@trial@save#1{\%
  \langle* trace \rangle \% \begingroup \def\@elt##1X##2{\MessageBreak==== \space\space##1/##2}\let\@endelt\@empty \breqn@debugmsg{=> trial info:\eq@measurements} \%
  \breqn@debugmsg{=> bounding box: \the\eq@wdT \times \the\eq@vspan, badness=\the\eq@badness\MessageBreak} \%
  \let\@elt\relax \let\@endelt\relax \% \endgroup
  \xdef#1{\%
  \eq@linewidth\the\eq@linewidth \%
  save info about the fit
  \eq@lines\the\eq@lines \eq@badness\the\eq@badness \def\@nx\eq@badline{\eq@badline} \%
  \% save size info
  \eq@wdT\the\eq@wdT \eq@wdMin\the\eq@wdMin \eq@vspan\the\eq@vspan \eq@dp\the\eq@dp \eq@firstht\the\eq@firstht \%
  save info about the LHS
  \eq@wdL\the\eq@wdL \def\@nx\EQ@hasLHS{\EQ@hasLHS} \%
  \% save info about the numbering
  \def\@nx\eq@hasNumber{\eq@hasNumber} \%
  \% save info about the chosen layout
  \def\@nx\eq@layout{\eq@layout} \%
  \def\@nx\eq@parshape{\@parshape} \%
  \def\@nx\eq@measurements{\eq@measurements} \%
  \def\@nx\adjust@rel@penalty{\adjust@rel@penalty} \%
  \def\@nx\eq@shiftnumber{\eq@shiftnumber} \%
  \def\@nx\eq@isIntertext{\@False} \%
  \} \%
\end{verbatim}
By default this just runs \eq@trial@c; cf. \eq@trial@d.

Run the equation contents through the current parshape.

If there is a number, try the same parshape again with adjustments to make room for the number.

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\eq@shortLHS Test to see if we need to apply the \eq@dense@enough test.
\begin{verbatim}
def\eq@shortLHS{\ifdim\eq@wdL>.44\eq@wdT 1\else 0\fi 0}
def\eq@shortLHS{\@False}
\end{verbatim}

\eq@trial@p Run a trial with the current \@parshape and measure it.
\begin{verbatim}
def\eq@trial@p{\@parshape \eq@dump@box\unhcopy\EQ@copy
\let\eq@badline\@False
\if i\eq@layout \ifnum\eq@lines>1 \let\eq@badline\@True \fi\fi
\eq@curline\eq@lines \let\eq@measure@lines\@empty
\let\eq@measurements\@empty
\eq@ml@record@indents
\eq@measure@lines
\eq@recalc
⟨trace⟩ \debug@showmeasurements
}
\end{verbatim}

\adjust@rel@penalty Normally this is a no-op.
\begin{verbatim}
\let\adjust@rel@penalty\@empty
\end{verbatim}

\eq@fix@lastline Remove \parfillskip from the last line box.
\begin{verbatim}
def\eq@fix@lastline{\setbox\tw@\lastbox \dim@b\wd\tw@
\eq@dp\dp\tw@
\nointerlineskip\hbox to\dim@b{\unhbox\tw@ 
\skip@c\lastskip \unskip\unskip\hskip\skip@c 
}%
\end{verbatim}

\eq@recalc Calculate \eq@wdT et cetera.
\begin{verbatim}
def\eq@recalc{%
\eq@wdT\z@ \eq@wdMin\maxdimen \eq@vspan\z@\skip \eq@badness\z@
\let\@elt\eq@recalc@a \eq@measurements \let\@elt\relax
\end{verbatim}

\eq@recalc@a
\begin{verbatim}
def\eq@recalc@a#1x#2+#3\@endelt{\eq@firstht#2\relax
\let\@elt\eq@recalc@b
\end{verbatim}

66
\eq@recalc@b
\def\eq@recalc@b#1X#2,#3x#4+#5@#6\@endelt{%
\setlength\dim@a{#2+#3}\
\ifdim\dim@a>\eq@wdT \eq@wdT\dim@a \fi
\ifdim\dim@a<\eq@wdMin \eq@wdMin\dim@a \fi
\eq@dp#5\relax
\adddtolength\eq@vspan(#1+4+#6\eq@dp)\%
Record the max badness of all the lines in \eq@badness.
\ifnum#6>\eq@badness \eq@badness#6\relax\fi
}
\eq@layout A value of ? for \eq@layout means that we should deduce which layout to use by looking at
the size of the components. Any other value means we have a user-specified override on the
layout.

Layout Definitions. Based on initial equation measurements, we can choose a sequence of
candidate parshapes that the equation might fit into. We accept the first shape that ‘works’,
else fall to next one. [The sequence is hardcoded in the \eq@try@layout@\shape; Would it be
useful be more flexible? (eg. try layouts LDA, in order...)]

\def\eq@layout{?}
\eq@try@layout@?
This is a branching function used to choose a suitable layout if the user didn’t specify one in
particular.

Default layout: Try Single line layout first, else try Multiline layouts
\namedef{eq@try@layout@?}{%
\let\eq@trial@b\eq@trial@c
\edef\@parshape{\parshape 1 0pt \the\eq@linewidth\relax}%
\setlength\dim@a{\wd\EQ@copy-2em}% Fudge; can’t shrink more than this?
% if we’re in a numbered group, try hard to fit within the numbers
\dim@b\eq@linewidth
\if\eq@shiftnumber\else\if\eq@group
\if\eq@hasNumber\addtolength\dim@b{-\wd\EQ@numbox-\eqnumsep}\
\else\if\grp@hasNumber\addtolength\dim@b{-\wd\GRP@numbox-\eqnumsep}%
\fi\fi\fi
\setlength\dim@b{\columnwidth-\dim@a+\eq@wdCond}%
\rightskip\z@\@plus\dim@b\@minus\hfuzz
\eq@trial@b{i}{\eq@try@layout@multi}%
\else
⟨∗trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: Too long (\the\wd\EQ@copy) for one line
(free width=\the\dim@b)}%
\eq@try@layout@multi
\fi
⟨/trace⟩
\else\fi
\ifdim\dim@a<\dim@b\% Do we even have a chance of fitting to one line?
\breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: (\the\wd\EQ@copy) may fit in \the\dim@b}%
BRM: assuming it might fit, don’t push too hard
\setlength\dim@b{\columnwidth-\dim@a+\eq@wdCond}%
\rightskip\z@\@plus\dim@b\@minus\hfuzz
\eq@trial@b{i}{\eq@try@layout@multi}%
\else
⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: Too long (\the\wd\EQ@copy) for one line
(free width=\the\dim@b)}%
⟨/trace⟩
\eq@try@layout@multi
\fi
}
Layout Multiline layout: If no LHS, try Stepped(S) layout Else try Stepped(S), Ladder(L), Drop-ladder(D) or Stepladder(l), depending on LHS length.

\def\eq@try@layout@multi{%
  \ifEQ@hasLHS
    \ifdim\eq@wdL>\eq@linewidth
      ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: LHS \the\eq@wdL > linewidth}%
      Find the total width of the RHS. If it is relatively short, a step layout is the thing to try.
      \setlength\dim@a{\wd\EQ@copy-\eq@wdL}%
      \ifdim\dim@a<.25\eq@linewidth \eq@try@layout@S
      \else \eq@try@layout@l \fi
      % BRM: Originally .7: Extreme for L since rhs has to wrap within the remaining 30+%!
      \else\ifdim\eq@wdL>.50\eq@linewidth
        ⟨∗ trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: LHS \the\eq@wdL > .50 linewidth (linewidth=\the\eq@linewidth)}%
        ⟨/trace⟩ \eq@try@layout@D
        \else
          ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: LHS \the\eq@wdL not extraordinarily wide}%
          \eq@try@layout@L
        \fi\fi
      \else
        ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Choose Shape: No LHS here}%
        Try one-line layout first, then step layout.
        \eq@try@layout@S % (already checked case i)
        \fi\fi
  \} \eq@try@layout@S

 telecommunications

\eq@try@layout@D Change the penalty before the first mathrel symbol to encourage a break there.
Layout D=Drop-Ladder Layout, for wide LHS.

\def\eq@try@layout@D{%
  \setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth -\eq@indentstep}%
  \edef\@parshape{\parshape 2
    0pt \the\eq@wdL\space \the\eq@indentstep\space \the\dim@a\relax}
  \def\adjust@rel@penalty{\penalty-99 }%
  \eq@trial@b{D}{\eq@try@layout@A}
  \fi\fi
} \eq@try@layout@A

\eq@try@layout@L Try a straight ladder layout. Preliminary filtering ensures that \eq@wdL is less than 70 of the current line width.
Layout L=Ladder layout
LHS = RHS
= RHS
...

If fails, try Drop-ladder layout. NOTE: This is great for some cases (multi relations?), but tends to break really badly when it fails....

\def\eq@try@layout@L{\
\setlength\dim@b{\eq@linewidth-\eq@wdL}\
edef\@parshape{\parshape 2 0pt \the\eq@linewidth\space\the\eq@wdL\space \the\dim@b\relax}\n}

\eq@try@layout@S

In the “stepped” layout there is no LHS, or LHS is greater than the line width and RHS is small. Then we want to split up the equation into lines of roughly equal width and stagger them downwards to the right, leaving a small amount of whitespace on both sides. But also, if there is an equation number, we want to try first a layout that leaves room for the number. Otherwise it would nearly always be the case that the number would get thrown on a separate line.

Layout S=Stepped layout, typically no LHS or very long, variations on

STUFF ....
+ MORE STUFF ...
+ MORE STUFF ...

If fails, try Almost-Columnar layout

\def\eq@try@layout@A{\
\setlength\dim@b{\eq@linewidth-2\eqmargin}\advance\dim@b-1em\n}

About how many lines will we need if dim@b is the line width?

\int@a\wd\EQ@copy \divide\int@a\dim@b

Adjust the target width by number of lines times indentstep. We don’t need to decrement \int@a because \TeX division is integer division with truncation.

\addtolength\dim@b{\int@a\eq@indentstep}\n
Adjust for equation number. But try not to leave too little room for the equation body.

\if\eq@hasNumber
\ifdim\dim@b>15em%
% \advance\dim@b-\eqnumsep \advance\dim@b-\wd\EQ@numbox
\addtolength\dim@b{-\eq@wdNum}\n
\fi
\fi

Now some hand-waving to set up the parshape.

\int@b\z@\n\def\@tempa{\dim}\
edef\@parshape{\parshape 2 0pt \the\dim@b\space\the\eqmargin\space \the\dim@b\relax}\n}

\eq@try@layout@A
This is the “step-ladder” layout: similar to the drop-ladder layout but the LHS is too wide and needs to be broken up.

Layout l = Stepladder Similar to Drop-Ladder, but LHS is long and needs to be broken up. If fails, try Almost-Columnar layout

In the “almost-columnar” layout, which is the layout of last resort, we let all lines run to the full width and leave the adjusting of the indents to later.

Layout A = Almost-Columnar layout. Pretty much straight full width, more of a last-resort. If fails, give up.

MH: Should be moved to a section where all keys are set to defaults.

Number placement adjustments
Set up test against 1-line case only if not in a group

Now check for cases.

left & right skips will be done later, and parshape adjusted if needed.

NOTE: this is too strong for dgroup!

Retry: use leftskip for space for number(for now; whether right/left) & adjust parshape

\setlength\leftskip{\wd\EQ@numbox\advance\leftskip\eqnumsep}
\setlength\rightskip{\z@\plus\dim@a}%
If we got shifted, restore parshape, etc,
\if\eq@shiftnumber
  \EQ@trial% Restore parshape & other params,
  \leftskip\z@\let\eq@shiftnumber\@True % But set shift & leftskip
  \edef\@parshape{\eq@parshape}% And copy saved parshape back to ‘working copy’ !?!?
\fi
\eq@trial@save\EQ@trial % Either way, save the trial state.
\fi
\}

\adjust@parshape Varies depending on the layout.

Adjust a parshape variable for a given set of left|right skips. Note that the fixed part of
the left|right skips effectively comes out of the parshape widths (NOT in addition to it). We
also must trim the widths so that the sum of skips, indents and widths add up to no more
than the \eq@linewidth.
\def\adjust@parshape#1{%
  \@xp\adjust@parshape@a#1\relax
  \edef#1{\temp@a}%
}
\adjust@parshape@a
\adjust@parshape@b
\def\adjust@parshape@a#1 #2\relax{%
  \setlength\dim@a{\leftskip+\rightskip}%
  \edef\temp@a{#1}%
  \adjust@parshape@b#2 @ @ \relax
}
\def\adjust@parshape@b#1 #2 {%
  \ifx @#1\edef\temp@a{\temp@a\relax}%
  \@xp\@gobble
  \else
  \dim@b#1\relax
  \dim@c#2\relax
  \addtolength\dim@c{\dim@a+\dim@b}%
  \ifdim\dim@c>\eq@linewidth
    \addtolength\dim@c{-\dim@b}%
  \edef\temp@a{\temp@a\space\the\dim@c}\fi
  \fi
  \adjust@parshape@b
}
\eq@ml@record@indents Plunk the parshape’s indent values into an array for easy access when constructing \eq@measurements.
\def\eq@ml@record@indents{%
  \int@a\z@
  \def\@tempa{%
    \advance\int@a\@ne
    \@xp\edef\csname eq@i\number\int@a\endcsname{\the\dim@a}%
  }%
\end{verbatim}

This is a scan marker. It should get a non-expandable definition. It could be \texttt{\relax}, but let's try a chardef instead.

\chardef\@endelt='\?

\eq@measurements

This is similar to a parshape spec but for each line we record more info: space above, indent, width x height + dp, and badness.

\def\eq@measurements{%
  \@elt 4.5pt/5.0pt,66.0ptx6.8pt+2.4pt\@27\@endelt
  ...
}%

\eq@measure@lines

Loop through the list of boxes to measure things like total height (including interline stretch), etc.. We check the actual width of the current line against the natural width—after removing rightskip—in case the former is \textit{less} than the latter because of shrinkage. In that case we do not want to use the natural width for RHS-max-width because it might unnecessarily exceed the right margin.

\def\eq@measure@lines{%
  \let\eq@ml@continue\eq@measure@lines
  \setbox\tw@\lastbox \dim@b\wd\tw@ % find target width of line
  \setbox\z@\hbox to\dim@b{\unhbox\tw@}% check for overfull
  \eq@badness\badness
  \ifnum\eq@badness<\inf@bad \else \let\eq@badline\@True \fi
  \eq@ml@a \eq@ml@continue
}%

\eq@ml@a

\def\eq@ml@a{%
  \setbox\tw@\hbox{\unhbox\z@ \unskip}% find natural width
  \ifnum\eq@badness<\inf@bad \else\breqn@debugmsg{!?! Overfull: \the\wd\tw@ >\the\dim@b}\fi
  \addtolength\dim@a{-\leftskip}% BRM: Deduct the skip if we're retrying w/number

  If there's no aboveskip, assume we've reached the top of the equation.
  \skip@a\lastskip \unskip \unpenalty
  \ifdim\skip@a<\wd\tw@ \setlength\dim@a{\dim@b}\% shrunken line
  \else \setlength\dim@a{\wd\tw@}\% OK to use natural width
  \fi
  \ifdim\dim@b<\wd\tw@ \setlength\dim@a{\dim@b}\% shrunken line
  \else \setlength\dim@a{\wd\tw@}\% OK to use natural width
  \fi
  \addtolength\dim@a{-\leftskip}% BRM: Deduct the skip if we're retrying w/number

  \let\eq@ml@continue\relax \% end the recursion


\else
  % Sum repeated vskips if present
  \def\@tempa{\ifdim\lastskip=\z@ \else \addtolength\skip@a{\lastskip}\unskip\unpenalty \@xp\@tempa \fi \fi}
  \edef\eq@measurements{\@elt \the\skip@a \space X% extra space to facilitate extracting only the % dimen part later \csname eq@i \ifnum\eq@curline<\parshape \number\eq@curline \else\number\parshape \fi \endcsname,\the\dim@a x\the\ht\tw@+\the\dp\tw@ @\the\eq@badness\@endelt \eq@measurements \}%
  \advance\eq@curline\m@ne
  \ifnum\eq@curline=\z@ \let\eq@ml@continue\relax\fi
}\eq@ml@vspace

\def\eq@ml@vspace{\global\advance\eq@vspan\lastskip \unskip\unpenalty \ifdim\lastskip=\z@ \else \@xp\eq@ml@vspace \fi}

\eq@dense@enough
\def\eq@dense@enough{%
  \ifnum\eq@lines<\thr@@ ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Density check: less than 3 lines; OK}%
  \@True \else
    \ifdim\eq@wdL >.7\eq@wdT ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{Density check: LHS too long; NOT OK}%
    \@False \else \@xp\@xp\@xp\eq@dense@enough@a \fi
    \fi
\false@true@false
\false@false@false
\false@false@false
\false@false@false
\true@true@true
\true@false@true
\false@true@false
\false@false@false
\def\eq@density@factor{This number specifies, for the ladder layout, how much of the equation’s bounding box should contain visible material rather than whitespace. If the amount of visible material drops below

this value, then we switch to the drop-ladder layout. The optimality of this factor is highly dependent on the equation contents: .475 was chosen as the default just because it worked well with the sample equation, designed to be as average as possible, that I used for testing.

\def\eq@density@factor{.475}

\eq@dense@enough@a  Calculate whether there is more visible material than whitespace within the equation’s bounding box. Sum up the actual line widths and compare to the total “area” of the bounding box. But if we have an extremely large number of lines, fall back to an approximate calculation that is more conservative about the danger of exceeding \maxdimen.

\def\eq@dense@enough@a{%
  \@True \fi
  \ifnum\eq@lines>\sixt@@n 
  \eq@dense@enough@b
  \else
  \dim@b\z@ \let\@elt\eq@delt \eq@measurements
  \dim@c\eq@density@factor\eq@wdT \multiply\dim@c\eq@lines
  \langle \trace \rangle \breqn@debugmsg{Density check: black \the\dim@b/\eq@density@factor total \the\dim@c}\
  \ifdim\dim@b>\dim@c \true@false@true \else \false@false@false \fi
  \fi
%}

\eq@delt  Args are space-above, indent, width, height, depth, badness.

\def\eq@delt#1X#2,#3x#4+#5@#6@endelt{\addtolength\dim@b{#3}}%

\eq@dense@enough@b  This is an approximate calculation used to keep from going over \maxdimen if the number of lines in our trial break is large enough to make that a threat. If \(l, t, n\) represent left-side-width, total-width, and number of lines, the formula is

\[
\frac{l}{t} < \frac{.4n}{(.9n-1)}
\]

or equivalently, since rational arithmetic is awkward in TeX: 

\[
\frac{l}{t} < \frac{4n}{(9n-10)}
\]

..\eq@parshape

\let\eq@parshape@empty

\eq@params  The interline spacing and penalties in \eq@params are used during both preliminary line breaking and final typesetting.
Forbid absolutely a pagebreak that separates the first line or last line of a multiline equation from the rest of it. Or in other words: no equation of three lines or less will be broken at the bottom of a page; instead it will be moved whole to the top of the next page. If you really really need a page break that splits the first or last line from the rest of the equation, you can always fall back to `\pagebreak`, I suppose.

For equations, hfuzz should be at least 1pt. But we have to fake it a little because we are running the equation through TeX’s paragrapher. In our trials we use minus 1pt in the rightskip rather than hfuzz; and we must do the same during final breaking of the equation, otherwise in borderline cases TeX will use two lines instead of one when our trial indicated that one line would be enough.

Make sure we skip TeX’s preliminary line-breaking pass to save processing time.

30 Equation layout options

Using the notation C centered, I indented (applied to the equation body), T top, B bottom, M middle, L left, R right (applied to the equation number), the commonly used equation types are C, CRM, CRB, CLM, CLT, I, IRM, IRB, ILM, ILT. In other words, CLM stands for Centered equation body with Left-hand Middle-placed equation number, and IRB stands for Indented equation with Right-hand Bottom-placed equation number.

Here are some general thoughts on how to place an equation tag. Currently it does not work as desired: the L option positions the tag app. 10 lines below the math expression, the RM doesn’t position the tag on the baseline for single-line math expressions. Therefore I am going to first write what I think is supposed to happen and then implement it.

Below is a small list where especially the two three specifications should be quite obvious, I just don’t want to forget anything and it is important to the implementation.

**Definition 1** If a display consists of exactly one line, the tag should always be placed on the same baseline as the math expression.

The remaining comments refer to multi-line displays.

**Definition 2** If a tag is to be positioned at the top (T), it should be placed such that the baseline of the tag aligns with the baseline of the top line of the display.
**Definition 3** If a tag is to be positioned at the bottom (B), it should be placed such that the baseline of the tag aligns with the baseline of the bottom line of the display.

**Definition 4** If a tag is to be positioned vertically centered (M), it should be placed such that the baseline of the tag is positioned exactly halfway between the baseline of the top line of the display and the baseline of the bottom line of the display.

Definitions 1–3 are almost axiomatic in their simplicity. Definition 4 is different because I saw at least two possibilities for which area to span:

- Calculate distance from top of top line to the bottom of the bottom line, position the vertical center of the tag exactly halfway between those two extremes.
- Calculate the distance from the baseline of the top line to the baseline of the bottom line, position the baseline of the tag exactly halfway between these two extremes.

Additional combinations of these methods are possible but make little sense in my opinion. I have two reasons for choosing the latter of these possibilities: Firstly, two expressions looking completely identical with the exception of a superscript in the first line or a subscript in the last line will have the tag positioned identically. Secondly, then M means halfway between T and B positions which makes good sense and then also automatically fulfills Definition 1.

From an implementation perspective, these definitions should also make it possible to fix a deficiency in the current implementation, namely that the tag does not influence the height of a display, even if the display is a single line. This means that two single-line expressions in a `dgroup` can be closer together than \texttt{\intereqskip} if the math expressions are (vertically) smaller than the tag.

### 31 Centered Right-Number Equations

```latex
\eq@dump@box #1 might be \texttt{\unhbox} or \texttt{\unhcopy}; #2 is the box name.
1405 \def\eq@dump@box#1#2{%
1406 \%debug@box#1%
1407 \noindent #1#2\setbox\f@ur\lastbox \setbox\tw@\lastbox
1408 \indent #1\#2\setbox\f@ur\lastbox \setbox\tw@\lastbox
```

If the LHS contains shrinkable glue, in an L layout the alignment could be thrown off if the first line is shrunk noticeably. For the time being, disable shrinking on the left-hand side. The proper solution requires more work.

```latex
mjd.1999/03/17
```

```latex
\if L\eq@layout \box\tw@ \else\unhbox\tw@\fi
1409 \adjust@rel@penalty \unhbox\f@ur
```
Given that left and right skips have been set, typeset the frame, number and equation with the given number side and placement

\def\eq@typeset@Unnumbered{\eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation}\}
\def\eq@typeset@LM{\setlength\dim@a{\eq@vspan+\ht\EQ@numbox-\dp\EQ@numbox}/2}\% \eq@typeset@leftnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}
\def\eq@typeset@LT{\eq@firstht \eq@typeset@leftnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation}\}
\def\eq@typeset@LShifted{\copy\EQ@numbox \penalty\@M \dim@a\eqlineskip \if F\eq@frame\else \setlength\dim@a{\eq@framesep+\eq@framewd}\fi \kern\dim@a \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}
\def\eq@typeset@RM{\setlength\dim@a{\eq@vspan+\ht\EQ@numbox-\dp\EQ@numbox}/2}\% \eq@typeset@rightnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}
\def\eq@typeset@RB{\setlength\dim@a{\eq@vspan-\ht\EQ@numbox-\dp\EQ@numbox}}\% \eq@typeset@rightnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}

Typeset equation and left-top number (and shifted)
\def\eq@typeset@LT{\eq@firstht \eq@typeset@leftnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation}\}

Typeset equation and left shifted number
\def\eq@typeset@LShifted{\copy\EQ@numbox \penalty\@M \dim@a\eqlineskip \if F\eq@frame\else \setlength\dim@a{\eq@framesep+\eq@framewd}\fi \kern\dim@a \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation}\}

Typeset equation and right middle number
\def\eq@typeset@RM{\setlength\dim@a{\eq@vspan+\ht\EQ@numbox-\dp\EQ@numbox}/2}\% \eq@typeset@rightnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}

Typeset equation and right bottom number
\def\eq@typeset@RB{\setlength\dim@a{\eq@vspan-\ht\EQ@numbox-\dp\EQ@numbox}}\% \eq@typeset@rightnumber \eq@typeset@frame \eq@typeset@equation\}
Typeset equation and right shifted number

\begin{verbatim}
\def\eq@typeset@RShifted{%  
% place number  
\eq@typeset@frame  
\eq@typeset@equation  
\penalty\@M  
\dim@a\eq@lineskip  
\if F\eq@frame\else  
\addtolength\dim@a{\eq@framesep+\eq@framewd}  
\fi  
\parskip\dim@a  
\hbox to\hsize{\hfil\copy\EQ@numbox}\@@par  
}
\end{verbatim}

Debugging aid to show all relevant formatting info for a given eqn.

\begin{verbatim}
\def\debug@showformat{%  
\breqn@debugmsg{Formatting Layout: \eq@layout space Center/indent: \eqindent space  
Number placement \eq@numside eq@numplace:  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@linewidth=\the\eq@linewidth, \@totalleftmargin=\the\@totalleftmargin,  
|MessageBreak==== Centered Lines=\the\eq@centerlines, Shift Number=\the\eq@shiftnumber,  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@lineskip=\the\eq@lineskip, \eq@framewd=\the\eq@framewd,  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@wdT=\the\eq@wdT, \eq@wdMin=\the\eq@wdMin,  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@wdL=\the\eq@wdL, \eq@hasLHS=\the\eq@hasLHS, \eq@numbox=\the\eq@numbox,  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@wdNum=\the\eq@wdNum  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@wdCond=\the\eq@wdCond, \conditionsep=\the\conditionsep,  
|MessageBreak==== \leftskip=\the\leftskip, \rightskip=\the\rightskip,  
|MessageBreak==== \abovedisplayskip=\the\abovedisplayskip, \belowdisplayskip=\the\belowdisplayskip,  
|MessageBreak==== \eq@parshape=\the\eq@parshape  
}

\end{verbatim}

Set left & right skips for centered equations, making allowances for numbers (if any, right, left) and constraint.

Amazingly, I’ve managed to collect all the positioning logic for centered equations in one place, so it’s more manageable. Unfortunately, by the time it does all it needs to do, it has evolved I’m (re)using so many temp variables, it’s becoming unmanageable!

\begin{verbatim}
\def\eq@C@setsides{%  
% \dim@c = space for number, if any, and not shifted.  
\dim@c\z@  
\if\eq@hasNumber\if\eq@shiftnumber\else  
\dim@c\eq@wdNum  
\fi\fi  
% \dim@e = space for condition(on right), if any and formula is only a single line.(to center nicely)  
% but only count it as being right-aligned if we’re not framing, since the frame must enclose it.  
\if F\eq@frame  
\ifnum\eq@lines=\@ne\ifdim\eq@wdCond>\z@  
\setlength\dim@e{\eq@wdCond+\conditionsep}\z@  
\fi\fi

\end{verbatim}

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\fi\fi\fi
\% \dim@b = minimum needed on left max(totalleftmargin, left number space)
\dim@b\z@
\if l\eqnumside\ifdim\dim@b<\dim@c
\dim@b\dim@c
\fi\fi
\ifdim\dim@b<\@totalleftmargin
\dim@b\z@
\else
\addtolength\dim@b{-\@totalleftmargin}%
\fi
\dim@d\dim@e
\if R\eqnumside\ifdim\dim@d<\dim@c
\dim@d\dim@c
\fi\fi
\% \dim@a = left margin; initially half available space
\% \dim@c = right margin; ditto
\setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth-\eq@wdT+\dim@e+\@totalleftmargin}/2%
\dim@c=\dim@a
\% If too far to the left
\ifdim\dim@a<\dim@b
\addtolength\dim@c{\dim@a-\dim@b}%
\ifdim\dim@c<\z@\dim@c=\z@\fi
\dim@a=\dim@b
\% Or if too far to the right
\else\ifdim\dim@c<\dim@d
\addtolength\dim@a{\dim@c-\dim@d}%
\ifdim\dim@a<\z@\dim@a=\z@\fi
\dim@c=\dim@d
\fi\fi
\% Now, \dim@c, \dim@e is the left & right glue to center each line for centerlines
\setlength\dim@e{\eq@wdT-\eq@wdMin}\dim@d=\z@
\if\eq@centerlines
\divide\dim@e2\relax
\dim@d=\dim@e
\fi
\setlength\leftskip{\dim@a+\dim@c}%
\addtolength\dim@c{\dim@c}%
\setlength\rightskip{\z@+\dim@c}%
\splitafter{}\z@
\% Special case: if framing, reduce the stretchiness of the formula (eg. condition)
\% Or if we have a right number, FORCE space for it
\dim@b\z@
\if F\eq@frame\else
\fi
\addtolength\dim@c{-\@totalleftmargin}%
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi
Set the left and right side spacing for indented equations. Some things handled by \texttt{eq@C@setsides} that probably apply here???

- centerlines
- \texttt{@totalleftmargin}: SHOULD we move farther right?

Leftskip is normally just the requested indentation

\begin{macrocode}
\def\eq@I@setsides{%
  \leftskip \mathindent
  \if\eq@shiftnumber
    \setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth-\eq@wdT-\mathindent}%
    \ifdim\dim@a<\z@%
      \leftskip=\z@ % Or something minimal?
    \fi
  \fi
  \parfillskip \z@ skip
}
\end{macrocode}

But move left, if shifted number presumably because of clashed w/ number?

\begin{macrocode}
\if\eq@shiftnumber
  \setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth-\eq@wdT-\mathindent}%
  \ifdim\dim@a<\z@%
    \leftskip=\z@ % Or something minimal?
  \fi
\fi
\end{macrocode}

Push gently from right.

\begin{macrocode}
\if F\eq@frame
  \else
    \setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth-\leftskip-\eq@wdT}%
    \adddtolength\dim@b{-\dim@a}%
\fi
\end{macrocode}

Special case: if framing be much more rigid(?)

\begin{macrocode}
\if F\eq@frame
  \else
    \setlength\dim@a{\eq@linewidth-\leftskip-\eq@wdT}%
    \addtolength\dim@b{-\dim@a}%
\fi
\end{macrocode}

% Or force the space for right number, if needed

% \begin{macrocode}
Typesetting pieces: frame, equation and number (if any) \dim a should contain the downward displacement of number’s baseline

\def\eq@typeset@leftnumber{%
  \setlength\skip@c{\dim@a-\ht\EQ@numbox}%
  \vglue\skip@c% NON discardable
  \copy\EQ@numbox \penalty\@M
  \kern-\dim@a
}
\def\eq@typeset@rightnumber{%
  \setlength\skip@c{\dim@a-\ht\EQ@numbox}%
  \vglue\skip@c% NON discardable
  \hbox to \hsize{\hfil\copy\EQ@numbox}\penalty\@M
  \kern-\dim@a
}
\def\eq@typeset@equation{%
  \nobreak
  \eq@params\eq@parshape
  \nointerlineskip
  \noindent
  \add@grp@label
  \eq@dump@box\unhbox\EQ@box\@@par
}

32 Framing an equation

The \eqframe function is called in vertical mode with the reference point at the top left corner of the equation, including any allowance for \fboxsep. Its arguments are the width and height of the equation body, plus fboxsep.

\newcommand\eqframe[2]{{\begingroup
  \fboxrule=\eq@framewd\relax\fboxsep=\eq@framesep\relax
  \framebox{\z@rule\@height#2\kern#1}%
  \endgroup
}

The frame is not typeset at the correct horizontal position. Will fix later.
33 Delimiter handling

The special handling of delimiters is rather complex, but everything is driven by two motives: to mark line breaks inside delimiters as less desirable than line breaks elsewhere, and to make it possible to break open left-right boxes so that line breaks between \left and \right delimiters are not absolutely prohibited. To control the extent to which line breaks will be allowed inside delimiters, set \eqbreakdepth to the maximum nesting depth. Depth 0 means never break inside delimiters.

Note: \eqbreakdepth is not implemented as a \LaTeX{} counter because changes done by \setcounter etc. are always global.

It would be natural to use grouping in the implementation—at an open delimiter, start a group and increase mathbin penalties; at a close delimiter, close the group. But this gives us trouble in situations like the array environment, where a close delimiter might fall in a different cell of the \halign than the open delimiter. Ok then, here’s what we want the various possibilities to expand to. Note that \right and \biggr are being unnaturally applied to a naturally open-type delimiter.

( \rightarrow \delimiter"4... \after@open \left( \rightarrow \delimiter"4... \after@open \left( \rightarrow \delimiter"4... \after@close \biggl( \rightarrow \mathopen{\delimiter"4... \vrule... \after@close \mathclose{\delimiter"4... \vrule... \after@close

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First save the primitive meanings of \left and \right.

The variable \lr@level is used by the first mathrel in an equation to tell whether it is at top level: yes? break and measure the LHS, no? keep going.

It would be nice to have better error checking here if the argument is not a delimiter symbol at all.

Ah, a small problem when renaming commands. In the original version, \delimiter is hijacked in order to remove the \after@bidir (or open or close) instruction following the delimiter declaration.

The null versions.

The arguments are: #1 delim symbol, #2.

The function \delim@reset makes delimiter characters work just about the same as they would in normal \LaTeX.

Here is the normal operation of \biggl, for example.
If the amsmath or exscale package is loaded, it will have defined \bBigg@; if not, the macros \big and variants will have hard-coded point sizes as inherited through the ages from plain.tex. In this case we can kluge a little by setting \big@size to p@, so that our definition of \bBigg@ will work equally well with the different multipliers.

\ifx\bBigg@\relax \let\big@size\p@
\def\big{\bBigg@{8.5}}
\def\Big{\bBigg@{11.5}}
\def\bigg{\bBigg@{14.5}}
\def\Bigg{\bBigg@{17.5}}
\def\biggg{\bBigg@{20.5}}
\def\Biggg{\bBigg@{23.5}}\fi

\def\bBigg@#1#2{%
{\delim@reset
\left#2
\vrule@height#1\big@size\@width-\nulldelimiterspace
\right.}
}

\def\bigl#1{\mathopen\big{#1}\after@open}
\def\Bigl#1{\mathopen\Big{#1}\after@open}
\def\biggl#1{\mathopen\bigg{#1}\after@open}
\def\Biggl#1{\mathopen\Bigg{#1}\after@open}
\def\bigggl#1{\mathopen\biggg{#1}\after@open}
\def\Bigggl#1{\mathopen\Biggg{#1}\after@open}
\def\bigr#1{\mathclose\big{#1}\after@close}
\def\Bigr#1{\mathclose\Big{#1}\after@close}
\def\biggr#1{\mathclose\bigg{#1}\after@close}
\def\Biggr#1{\mathclose\Bigg{#1}\after@close}
\def\bigggr#1{\mathclose\biggg{#1}\after@close}
\def\Bigggr#1{\mathclose\Biggg{#1}\after@close}

\def\m@DeL#1#2#3{\delimiter"4\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3}
\def\m@DeR#1#2#3{\delimiter"4\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3}
\def\m@DeB#1#2#3{\delimiter"4\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3}

Original definition of \m@DeL from flexisym is as follows. \m@DeR and \m@DeB are the same except for the math class number.
Define display variants of \texttt{DeL}, \texttt{DeR}, \texttt{DeB}

\ExplSyntaxOn
\cs_set:Npn \math_dsym_DeL:Nn #1#2{\math_bsym_DeL:Nn #1{#2}\after@open}
\cs_set:Npn \math_dsym_DeR:Nn #1#2{\math_bsym_DeR:Nn #1{#2}\after@close}
\cs_set:Npn \math_dsym_DeB:Nn #1#2{\math_bsym_DeB:Nn #1{#2}\after@bidir}
\let\m@@DeL\m@DeL \let\m@@DeR\m@DeR \let\m@@DeB\m@DeB
\def\d@@DeL#1#2#3{\delimiter"4\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3 \after@open}
\def\d@@DeR#1#2#3{\delimiter"5\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3 \after@close}
\def\d@@DeB#1#2#3{\delimiter"0\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3 \after@bidir}
\let\m@@DeA\m@DeA
def\d@@DeA#1#2#3{\delimiter"\@xp\delim@a\csname sd@#1#2#3\endcsname #1#2#3}

BRM: These weren’t defined, but apparently should be. Are these the right values???

\ExplSyntaxOff

\after@open and \after@close are carefully written to avoid the use of grouping and to run as fast as possible. \texttt{\zero@bop} is the value used for \texttt{\prebinoppenalty} at delimiter level 0, while \texttt{\bop@incr} is added for each level of nesting. The standard values provide that breaks will be prohibited within delimiters below nesting level 2.

\let\after@bidir\@empty
\mathchardef\zero@bop=888 \relax
\mathchardef\bop@incr=4444 \relax
\def\after@open{%
  \global\advance\lr@level\@ne
  \prebinoppenalty\bop@incr \multiply\prebinoppenalty\lr@level
  \advance\prebinoppenalty\zero@bop
  \ifnum\eqbreakdepth<\lr@level
    \cs_set_eq:NN \math_sym_Bin:Nn \math_isym_Bin:Nn
    \let\m@Bin\m@@Bin
  \else
    \eq@binoffset=\eqbinoffset
    \advance\eq@binoffset\lr@level\eqdelimoffset plus1fill\relax
    \hskiplineskip\hskip\z@ minus1fill\relax
  \fi
  \penalty\@M % BRM: discourage break after an open fence?
}
When we get back to level 0, no delimiters, remove the stretch component of \eqbinoffset.

\ifnum\lr@level<\@ne \eq@binoffset=\eqbinoffset\relax \fi

\ExplSyntaxOff

\subsup@flag

\ss@scan is called after a \right delimiter and looks ahead for sub and superscript tokens.
If sub and/or superscripts are present, we adjust the line-ending penalty to distinguish the
various cases (sub, sup, or both). This facilitates the later work of excising the sub/sup box
and reattaching it with proper shifting.

Sub/Superscript measurement

BRM: There's possibly a problem here. When \ss@scan gets invoked after a \left...\right pair in the LHS during \eq@measure, it produces an extra box (marked with \penalty 3); Apparently \eq@repack expects only one for the LHS. The end result is \eq@wdL = 0.0pt !!! (or at least very small)

\let\subsup@flag=\count@

\def\ss@delim@a@new#1#2#3#4#5{\xdef\right@delim@code{\number"#4#5}}

The argument of \ss@scan is an expanded form of a right-delimiter macro. We want to use
the last three digits in the expansion to define \right@delim@code. The assignment to a temp
register is just a way to scan away the leading digits that we don't care about.

\def\ss@scan#1{%

This part of the code.

\begingroup

\ss@delim@new #1,%
\endgroup

\subs@flag\OM \afterassignment\ss@scan\a \let\@let@token=}
\def\ss@scan\a{%
\let\breqn@next\ss@scan@b
\ifx\@let@token\sb \advance\subsup@flag\OM\else
\ifx\@let@token\@@subscript \advance\subsup@flag\OM\else
\ifx\@let@token\@@subscript@other \advance\subsup@flag\OM\else
\ifx\@let@token\sp \advance\subsup@flag\tw@\else
\ifx\@let@token\@@superscript \advance\subsup@flag\tw@\else
\ifx\@let@token\@@superscript@other \advance\subsup@flag\tw@\else
\ss@finish
\let\breqn@next\relax
\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi
\breqn@next\@let@token
}

\ExplSyntaxOn
\def\ss@scan@b#1#2{#1{%

hack! coff!

\}%
\let\m@Bin\m@@Bin \let\m@Rel\m@@Rel

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We need to keep following glue from disappearing—e.g., a thickmuskip or medmuskip from a following mathrel or mathbin symbol.

\def\ss@finish{\@@vadjust{\penalty\thr@@}\penalty\right@delim@code \penalty-\subsup@flag \keep@glue}

\eq@lrunpack For \eq@lrunpack we need to break open a left-right box and reset it just in case it contains any more special breaks. After it is unpacked the recursion of \eq@repack will continue, acting on the newly created lines.

\def\eq@lrunpack{\setbox\z@\lastbox
\unskip \nointerlineskip
Then we open box 0, take the left-right box at the right end of it, and break that open. If the line-ending penalty is greater than 10000, it means a sub and/or superscript is present on the right delimiter and the box containing them must be taken off first.

\noindent\unhbox\z@ \unskip
\xdef\right@delim@code{\number\lastpenalty}\
\unpenalty
\ifnum\subsup@flag>\@M\advance\subsup@flag-\@M\setbox\tw@\lastbox
\else \setbox\tw@\box\voidb@x\fi
\setbox\z@\lastbox
\ifvoid\tw@ \un hbox\z@ % uses \subsup@flag, box@z@, box@tw@\fi
The reason for adding a null last line here is that the last line will contain parfillskip in addition to rightskip, and a final penalty of 10000 instead of $-1000N$ ($1 \leq N \leq 9$), which would interfere with the usual processing. Setting a null last line and discarding it dodges this complication. The penalty value $-10001$ is a no-op case in the case statement of \eq@repack.

\penalty-\@Mi\z@rule\@@par
\setbox\z@\lastbox \unskip\unpenalty
\l r s s @ r e a t t a c h \% uses \subsup@flag, box@z@, box@tw@
Well, for a small self-contained computation, carefully hand-allocated dimens should be safe enough. But let the maintainer beware! This code cannot be arbitrarily transplanted or shaken up without regard to grouping and interaction with other hand-allocated dimens.
Note that only \texttt{\textsuperscript{\text@sup@base@one}} and \texttt{\textsubscript{\text@sub@base@one}} come from the next smaller math style.

Provide a mnemonic name for the math axis fontdimen, if it’s not already defined.

Assumes box 2 contains the sub/sup and box 0 contains the left-right box. This is just a repeat of the algorithm in \texttt{tex.web}, with some modest simplifications from knowing that this is only going to be called at top level in a displayed equation, thus always mathstyle = uncramped displaystyle.

\begin{verbatim}
\def\lrss@reattach{%
  \begin{group}
  % "The \TeX\book" Appendix G step 18:
  \setlength\prelim@sup@base{\ht\z@-\sup@drop}%
  \setlength\prelim@sub@depth{\dp\z@+\sub@drop}%
  \unhbox\z@
  \ifcase\subsup@flag % case 0: this can’t happen
    \or \lr@subscript % case 1: subscript only
    \or \lr@superscript % case 2: superscript only
    \else \lr@subsup % case 3: sub and superscript both
    \fi
  \end{group}
\}
\def\lr@subscript{%
  \sub@depth\sub@base@one
  \ifdim\prelim@sub@depth>\sub@depth \sub@depth\prelim@sub@depth\fi
  \setlength\dim@a{\ht\tw@-.8\sym@xheight}%
  \ifdim\dim@a>\sub@depth \sub@depth\dim@a \fi
  \twang@adjust\sub@depth
  \lower\sub@depth\box\tw@
}
\def\lr@superscript{%
  \sup@base\sup@base@one
  \ifdim\prelim@sup@base>\sup@base \sup@base\prelim@sup@base\fi
  \setlength\dim@a{\dp\tw@-.25\sym@xheight}%
  \ifdim\dim@a>\sup@base \sup@base\dim@a \fi
  \twang@adjust\sup@base
  \raise\sup@base\box\tw@
}
\def\lr@subsup{%
  \sub@depth\sub@base@two
  \ifdim\prelim@sub@depth>\sub@depth \sub@depth\prelim@sub@depth\fi
\end{verbatim}
For delimiters that curve top and bottom, the twang factor allows horizontal shifting of the sub and superscripts so they don’t fall too far away (or too close for that matter). This is accomplished by arranging for (e.g.,) \right\rangle to leave a penalty $N$ in the math list before the subsup penalty that triggers \reattach, where $N$ is the mathcode of \rangle (ignoring “small” variant).

The method used to apply a “twang” adjustment is just an approximate solution to a complicated problem. We make the following assumptions that hold true, approximately, for the most common kinds of delimiters:

1. The right delimiter is symmetrical top to bottom.
2. There is an upper limit on the size of the adjustment.
3. When we have a superscript, the amount of left-skew that we want to apply is linearly proportional to the distance of the bottom left corner of the superscript from the math axis, with the ratio depending on the shape of the delimiter symbol.

By symmetry, Assumption 3 is true also for subscripts (upper left corner). Assumption 2 is more obviously true for parens and braces, where the largest super-extended versions consist of truly vertical parts with slight bending on the ends, than it is for a $\rangle$. But suppose for the sake of expediency that it is approximately true for rangle symbols also.

Here are some passable twang factors for the most common types of delimiters in cmex10, as determined by rough measurements from magnified printouts.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Twang Factor</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>vert bar, double vert</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>square bracket</td>
<td>-.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>curly brace</td>
<td>-.25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>parenthesis</td>
<td>-.33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>rangle</td>
<td>-.4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Let’s provide a non-private command for changing the twang factor of a given symbol.
Note that this is dependent on a fixed interpretation of the mathgroup number #4.

\def\decl@twang#1#2#3#4#5#6#7\@nil#8{\
    \@namedef{twang@\number"#4#5#6}{#8}\
}\DeclareTwang{\rangle}{-.4}
\DeclareTwang{)}{-.33}
\DeclareTwang{\rbrace}{-.25}

34 Series of expressions

The dseries environment is for a display containing a series of expressions of the form ‘A, B’ or ‘A and B’ or ‘A, B, and C’ and so on. Typically the expressions are separated by a double quad of space. If the expressions in a series don’t all fit in a single line, they are continued onto extra lines in a ragged-center format.

\newenvironment{dseries}{\let\eq@hasNumber\@True \@optarg\@dseries{}}{}%
\def\enddseries#1{\check@punct\or\qed}%
And the unnumbered version of same.
\newenvironment{dseries*}{\let\eq@hasNumber\@False \@optarg\@dseries{}}{}%
\@namedef{enddseries*}{\check@punct\or\qed}%
\@namedef{end@dseries*}{\end@dseries}%
\def\@dseries[#1]{%
Turn off the special breaking behavior of mathrels etc. for math formulas embedded in a dseries environment.
\let\display@setup\dseries@display@setup%
% \def\display@setup{\displaystyle}%
}% Question: should this be the default for dseries???
% \let\eq@centerlines\@True
% \global\eq@wdCond\z@
% BRM: use special layout for dseries
% \odmath[layout={M},#1]%
% \mathsurround\z@ \@@math \penalty\@Mi
% \let\endmath\ends@math
% \premath{%
%  \ifdim\lastskip<.3em \unskip
%  \else \ifnum\lastpenalty<\@M \dquad\fi\fi
%  }%
% \def\postmath{\unpenalty\eq@addpunct \penalty\intermath@penalty \dquad \@ignoretrue}%
% BRM: Tricky to cleanup space OR add space ONLY BETWEEN math!
%  \ifdim\lastskip<.3em \unskip
%  %else\ifnum\lastpenalty<\@M \dquad\fi\fi
%  }%
% BRM: Tricky; if a subformula breaks, we’d like to start the next on new line!
% \def\postmath{\unpenalty\eq@addpunct \penalty\intermath\penalty \dquad \@ignoretrue}%
% \ignorespaces
}\fi
}
35 Equation groups

For many equation groups the strategy is easy: just center each equation individually following the normal rules for a single equation. In some groups, each equation gets its own number; in others, a single number applies to the whole group (and may need to be vertically centered on the height of the group). In still other groups, the equations share a parent number but get individual equation numbers consisting of parent number plus a letter.

If the main relation symbols in a group of equations are to be aligned, then the final alignment computations cannot be done until the end of the group—i.e., the horizontal positioning of the first $n - 1$ equations cannot be done immediately. Yet because of the automatic line breaking, we cannot calculate an initial value of RHS-max over the whole group unless we do a trial run on each equation first to find an RHS-max for that equation. Once we know RHS-group-max and LHS-group-max we must redo the trial set of each equation because they may affect the line breaks. If the second trial for an equation fails (one of its lines exceeds the
available width), but the first one succeeded, fall back to the first trial, i.e., let that equation fall out of alignment with the rest of the group.

All right then, here is the general idea of the whole algorithm for group alignment. To start with, ignore the possibility of equation numbers so that our equation group has the form:

\begin{align*}
\text{LHS}[1] & \quad \text{RHS}[1,1] \quad \text{RHS}[1,2] \quad \ldots \quad \text{RHS}[1,n[1]] \\
\text{LHS}[2] & \quad \text{RHS}[2,1] \quad \text{RHS}[2,2] \quad \ldots \quad \text{RHS}[2,n[2]] \\
\vdots & \\
\text{LHS}[3] & \quad \text{RHS}[3,1] \quad \text{RHS}[3,2] \quad \ldots \quad \text{RHS}[3,n[3]]
\end{align*}

The number of RHS's might not be the same for all of the equations. First, accumulate all of the equation contents in a queue, checking along the way to find the maximum width of all the LHS's and the maximum width of all the RHS's. Call these widths \( \text{maxwd}L \) and \( \text{maxwd}R \). Clearly if \( \text{maxwd}L + \text{maxwd}R \) is less than or equal to the available equation width then aligning all of the equations is going to be simple.

Otherwise we are going to have to break at least one of the RHS's and/or at least one of the LHS's. The first thing to try is using \( \text{maxwd}L \) for the LHS's and breaking all the RHS's as needed to fit in the remaining space. However, this might be a really dumb strategy if one or more of the LHS's is extraordinarily wide. So before trying that we check whether \( \text{maxwd}L \) exceeds some threshold width beyond which it would be unsensible not to break the LHS. Such as, \( \max(\text{one-third of the available width}; \text{six ems}) \), or something like that. Or how about this? Compare the average LHS width and RHS width and divide up the available width in the same ratio for line breaking purposes.

BRM: Fairly broad changes; it mostly didn’t work before (for me).

\begin{dgroup}
produces a ‘numbered’ group\end{dgroup} The number is the next equation number. There are 2 cases:

- If ANY contained equations are numbered (\begin{dmath}), then they will be subnumbered: eg 1.1a and the group number is not otherwise displayed.
- If ALL contained equations are unnumbered (\begin{dmath*}) then the group, as a whole, gets a number displayed, using the same number placement as for equations.

\begin{dgroup*}
produces an unnumbered group.\end{dgroup*} Contained equations are numbered, or not, as normal. But note that in the mixed case, it’s too late to force the unnumbered eqns to \texttt{retry@with@number} We’ll just do a simple check of dimensions, after the fact, and force a shiftnumber if we’re stuck.

NOTE: Does this work for dseries, as well? (alignment?)

NOTE: Does \texttt{\label} attach to the expected thing?

For number placement We use shiftnumber placement on ALL equations if ANY equations need it, or if an unnumbered equation is too wide to be aligned, given that the group or other eqns are numbered. [does this latter case interract with the chosen alignment?]

For Alignment As currently coded, it tries to align on relations, by default. If LHS’s are not all present, or too long, it switches to left-justify. Maybe there are other cases that should switch? Should there be a case for centered?

NOTE: Should there be some options to choose alignment?
Definition of the \texttt{dgroup} environment.

\begin{verbatim}
\newenvironment{dgroup}{% 
  \@dgroup@start@hook
  \let\grp@hasNumber@True\@optarg\@dgroup{}% 
}{% 
  \end@dgroup
}
\def\@dgroup[\#1]{% 
  ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{=== DGROUP ==================================================}% 
  \let\eq@group@True \global\let\eq@GRP@first@dmath@True
  \global\GRP@queue\@emptytoks \global\setbox\GRP@box\box\voidb@x
  \global\let\GRP@label\@empty
  \global\grp@wdL\z@\global\grp@wdR\z@\global\grp@wdT\z@
  \global\let\grp@eqs@numbered\@False
  \global\let\grp@aligned\@True
  \global\let\grp@shiftnumber\@False
  \eq@prelim
  \setkeys{breqn}{#1}%
  \if\grp@hasNumber \grp@setnumber \fi
}{% 
  \def\end@dgroup{%
    \EQ@displayinfo \grp@finish
    \if\grp@hasNumber\grp@resetnumber\fi
}}
\@ifundefined{c@parentequation}{\newcounter{parentequation}}{}
\end{verbatim}

And the.

\begin{verbatim}
\newtoks\GRP@queue
\newenvironment{dgroup*}{% 
  \let\grp@hasNumber\@False\@optarg\@dgroup{}%
}{% 
  \end@dgroup
}
\def\@dgroup[#1]{% 
  ⟨trace⟩ \breqn@debugmsg{=== DGROUP ==================================================}% 
  \let\eq@group\@True \global\let\eq@GRP@first@dmath\@True
  \global\GRP@queue\@emptytoks \global\setbox\GRP@box\box\voidb@x
  \global\let\GRP@label\@empty
  \global\grp@wdL\z@\global\grp@wdR\z@\global\grp@wdT\z@
  \global\let\grp@eqs@numbered\@False
  \global\let\grp@aligned\@True
  \global\let\grp@shiftnumber\@False
  \eq@prelim
  \setkeys{breqn}{#1}%
  \if\grp@hasNumber \grp@setnumber \fi
}{% 
  \def\end@dgroup{%
    \EQ@displayinfo \grp@finish
    \if\grp@hasNumber\grp@resetnumber\fi
}}
\@ifundefined{c@parentequation}{\newcounter{parentequation}}{}
\end{verbatim}

If the \texttt{amsmath} package is not loaded the \texttt{parentequation} counter will not be defined.

\begin{verbatim}
\if\undefined{\texttt{c@parentequation}}{\newcounter{parentequation}}{}
\end{verbatim}

Init.

\begin{verbatim}
\global\let\GRP@label\@empty
\def\add@grp@label{% 
  \iffalse\empty\GRP@label
  \else \GRP@label \global\let\GRP@label\@empty
  \fi
}\end{verbatim}
Before sending down the ‘equation’ counter to the subordinate level, set the current number in \EQ@numbox. The \eq@setnumber function does everything we need here. If the child equations are unnumbered, \EQ@numbox will retain the group number at the end of the group.

\def\grp@setnumber{%
  \global\let\GRP@label\next@label \global\let\next@label\@empty
  \eq@setnumber
%
} % Trick \eq@setnumber to doing our work for us.
\let\eq@hasNumber\@True
\eq@setnumber

Define \theparentequation equivalent to current \theequation. \edef is necessary to expand the current value of the equation counter. This might in rare cases cause something to blow up, in which case the user needs to add \protect.

\global\sbox\GRP@numbox\unhbox\EQ@numbox%
\grp@wdNum\eq@wdNum
% Trick \eq@setnumber to doing our work for us.
\let\eq@hasNumber\@False
\let\eq@number\@empty
\eq@wdNum\z@

% \protected@edef\theparentequation{\theequation}%
\setcounter{parentequation}{\value{equation}}%

\setcounter{equation}{0}%
\def\theequation{\theparentequation\alph{equation}}%
\breqn@debugmsg{Group Number \theequation}%
}

At the end of a group, need to reset the equation counter.

\def\grp@resetnumber{%
  \setcounter{equation}{\value{parentequation}}%
}
\newbox\GRP@box
\newbox\GRP@wholebox

Save data for this equation in the group

- push the trial data onto end of \GRP@queue.
- push an hbox onto the front of \GRP@box containing: \EQ@box, \EQ@copy, \penalty 1 and \EQ@numbox.

\grp@push For putting the equation on a queue.

\def\grp@push{%
  \global\GRP@queue\@xp\@xp\@xp{\@xp\@elt\@xp{\EQ@trial}}%}
\global\setbox\GRP@box\vbox{%
  \hbox{\box\EQ@box\box\EQ@copy\penalty\@one\copy\EQ@numbox}%
  \unvbox\GRP@box
%
} %
Set accumulated equations from a `dgroup` environment.

BRM: Questionable patch!! When processing the \GRP@queue, put it into a `vbox`, then \unvbox it. This since there’s a bizarre problem when the `output` routine gets invoked at an inopportune moment: All the not-yet-processed \GRP@queue ends up in the `@freelist` and bad name clashes happen. Of course, it could be due to some other problem entirely!!!

\def\grp@finish{%
% \debug@box\GRP@box
% \breqn@debugmsg{\GRP@queue: \the\GRP@queue}%
\iffalse Now that we know the collective measurements, make final decision about alignment & shifting. Check if alignment is still possible
\setlength\dim@a{\grp@wdL+\grp@wdR-4em}% Allowance for shrink?
\if\grp@aligned
\ifdim\dim@a>\grp@linewidth
\global\let\grp@aligned@False
\else
\global\let\grp@aligned@True
\fi
\fi
\fi
\addtolength\dim@a{\grp@wdNum }% Effective length
\if\grp@shiftnumber
\if@And{\grp@hasNumber}{\@Not\grp@eqs@numbered}
\ifdim\dim@a>\grp@linewidth
\global\let\grp@shiftnumber@False
\else
\global\let\grp@shiftnumber@True
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi

If we’re adding an unshifted group number that equations didn’t know about, re-check shifting

\addtolength\dim@a{\grp@wdNum }% Effective length
\if\grp@shiftnumber
\else
\if\@And{\grp@hasNumber}{\@Not\grp@eqs@numbered}
\ifdim\dim@a>\grp@linewidth
\global\let\grp@shiftnumber@False
\else
\global\let\grp@shiftnumber@True
\fi
\fi
\fi
\fi

If we can still align, total width is sum of maximum LHS & RHS

\if\grp@aligned
\global\grp@wdT\grp@wdL
\global\advance\grp@wdT\grp@wdR
\fi
(+\trace)
BRM: Originally this stuff was dumped directly, without capturing it in a `vbox`

If we're placing a group number (not individual eqn numbers) NOTE: For now, just code up LM number NOTE: Come back and handle other cases. NOTE: Vertical spacing is off, perhaps because of inter eqn. glue

A bit of a hack to get the top spacing correct. Fix this logic properly some day. Also, we do the calculation in a group for maximum safety.

We'd need to handle shifted, right number here, too!!!
\eqgrp@elt  Mission is to typeset the next equation from the group queue.

The arg is an \EQ@trial

\def\eqgrp@elt#1{%
  \global\setbox\GRP@box\vbox{%
    \setbox\z@\lastbox
    \setbox\tw@\hbox{\unhbox\z@}
    \ifnum\lastpenalty=\@ne
      \else
        \global\setbox\EQ@numbox\lastbox
      \fi
    \unpenalty
    \global\setbox\EQ@copy\lastbox
    \global\setbox\EQ@box\lastbox
  }%
  \begingroup \let\eq@botspace\relax
    #1%
    \if\eq@isIntertext
      \vskip\belowdisplayskip
    \else
      \grp@override
      \eq@finish
    \fi
  \endgroup
}%
\begingroup \let\eq@botbox\relax
#1%
\if\eq@isIntertext
  \vskip\belowdisplayskip
\else
  \grp@override
  \eq@finish
\fi
\endgroup
}

Override the \eq@trial data as needed for this equation in this group
NOTE: w/ numbering variations (see above), we may need to tell \eq@finish
to allocate space for a number, but not actually have one

\def\grp@override{%
  For aligned (possibly becomes an option?) For now ASSUMING we started out as CLM!!!
  \def\eqindent{I}%
  compute nominal left for centering the group
  \setlength\dim@a{((\grp@linewidth-\grp@wdT)/2)}%
  Make sure L+R not too wide; should already have unset alignment
  \ifdim\dim@a<\z@\dim@a=\z@\fi
  \ifdim\eqnumside\grp@wdNum\else\z@\fi
  make sure room for number on left, if needed.
  \if\grp@shiftnumber
    \ifdim\dim@b<\z@\dim@b=\z@\fi
    \if\grp@aligned
      \addtolength\dim@a{\grp@wdL-\eq@wdL}%
    \fi
    \mathindent\dim@a
  \else
    \ifdim\dim@b<\z@\dim@b=\z@\fi
    \if\grp@aligned
      \addtolength\dim@a{\grp@wdL-\eq@wdL}%
    \fi
    \mathindent\dim@a
  \fi
\endgroup
Could set \def\eqnumplace{T} (or even (m) if indentation is enough).

NOTE: Work out how this should interact with the various formats!!! NOTE: should recognize the case where the LHS's are a bit Wild, and then do simple left align (not on relation)

\}

\section{The darray environment}

There are two potential applications for darray. One is like eqnarray where the natural structure of the material crosses the table cell boundaries, and math operator spacing needs to be preserved across cell boundaries. And there is also the feature of attaching an equation number to each row. The other application is like a regular array but with automatic displaystyle math in each cell and better interline spacing to accommodate outsize cell contents. In this case it is difficult to keep the vert ruling capabilities of the standard \texttt{array} environment without redoing the implementation along the lines of Arseneau’s \texttt{tabs} package. Because the vert ruling feature is at cross purposes with the feature of allowing interline stretch and page breaks within a multiline array of equations, the \texttt{darray} environment is targeted primarily as an alternative to \texttt{eqnarray}, and does not support vertical ruling.

Overall strategy for \texttt{darray} is to use \texttt{halign} for the body. In the case of a group, use a single halign for the whole group!

\textbf{What about intertext?}

That’s the most reliable way to get accurate column widths. Don’t spread the halign to the column width, just use the natural width. Then, if we repack the contents of the halign into \texttt{\EQ@box} and \texttt{\EQ@copy}, as done for dmath, and twiddle a bit with the widths of the first and last cell in each row, we can use the same algorithms for centering and equation number placement as dmath! As well as handling footnotes and \texttt{vadjust} objects the same way.

We can’t just use \texttt{\arraycolsep} for \texttt{darray}, if we want to be able to change it without screwing up interior arrays. So let’s make a new colsep variable. The initial value is ‘2em, but let it shrink if necessary’.

\texttt{\newskip\darraycolsep \darraycolsep 20pt plus1fil minus12pt}

Let’s make a nice big default setup with eighteen columns, split up into six sets of lcr like eqnarray.

\texttt{\newcount\cur@row \newcount\cur@col}

\texttt{\def\@tempa#1#2#3{%}
\cur@col#1 \hfil
\setbox\z@\hbox{$\displaystyle\mathord{}####\mathord{}\m@th$}\@nx\col@box
\tabskip\z@skip
&\cur@col#2 \hfil
\setbox\z@\hbox{$\displaystyle#####\m@th$}\@nx\col@box
\tabskip\z@skip
&\cur@col#2 \hfil
\setbox\z@\hbox{$\displaystyle#####\m@th$}\@nx\col@box
\hfil
&\cur@col#3 \setbox\z@\hbox{$\displaystyle#####\m@th$}\@nx\col@box
\hfil
&\cur@col#3 \setbox\z@\hbox{$\displaystyle#####\m@th$}\@nx\col@box
\}}
\begin{darray}
\begin{array}{lll}
\text{123} & \text{456} & \text{789} \\
\text{10} & \text{11} & \text{12} \\
\text{13} & \text{14} & \text{15} \\
\text{16} & \text{17} & \text{18}
\end{array}
\end{darray}
\end{document}
The \texttt{dar\_repack} function is a variation of \texttt{eq\_repack}.

\begin{verbatim}
def\dar\_repack(%
    unpenalty
    \setbox\tw@\lastbox
    \unpenalty
    \setbox\tw@\lastbox
    \unpenalty
    \unhcopy\tw@\unskip
    \penalty-\@M \unhbox\EQ@box
    \unpenalty
    \unhbox\tw@\unskip
    \penalty-\@M \unhbox\EQ@copy
    \unskip
    \ifcase\lastpenalty
    \else\@xp\@gobble\fi
    \dar\_repack
}
\end{verbatim}

37 Miscellaneous

The \texttt{condition} command. With the star form, set the argument in math mode instead of text mode. In a series of conditions, use less space between members of the series than between the conditions and the main equation body.

\begin{verbatim}
\newskip\conditionsep \conditionsep=10pt minus5pt
\newcommand{\conditionpunct}{,}
\condition
\newcommand\condition{%
    \begingroup\@tempswatrue
    \@ifstar{\@tempswafalse \condition@a}{\condition@a}
\condition@a
\newcommand\condition@a[2][\conditionpunct]{%
    \unpenalty\unskip
    \unpenalty\unskip % BRM Added
    \hbox{#1}%
    \penalty -201\relax\hbox{}% Penalty to allow breaks here.
    \hskip\conditionsep
    \setbox\z@\if\@tempswa\hbox{#2}\else\hbox{$\textmath@setup #2$}\fi
    \global\eq@wdCond\wd\z@
    \usebox\z@}
\endgroup}
\end{verbatim}

BRM’s layout is achieved with this line commented out but it has the nasty side-effect of shifting the equation number to the next line:

\begin{verbatim}
% \global\eq@wdCond\wd\z@
\usebox\z@
\endgroup}
\end{verbatim}

The \texttt{dsuspend} environment. First the old one that didn’t work.

\begin{verbatim}
\newenvironment{XXXXdsuspend}{%
    \global\setbox\EQ@box\vbox\bgroup
    \@parboxrestore
    \verbatim}
\end{verbatim}

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If we are inside a list environment, `\displayindent` and `\displaywidth` give us `@totalleftmargin` and `\linewidth`.

\parshape 1 \displayindent \displaywidth\relax
\hspace=\columnwidth \noindent\ignorespaces
\par\egroup

Let’s try giving `\EQ@box` the correct height for the first line and `\EQ@copy` the depth of the last line.

\global\setbox\GRP@box\vbox{%
\vbox{\copy\EQ@box\vtop{\unvbox\EQ@box}}% 
\unvbox\GRP@box
}%

Need to add a dummy element to `\GRP@queue`.

\global\GRP@queue\@xp{\the\GRP@queue 
@elt{\gdef\EQ@trial{}}}%
%
%
And then the one that does work.

\newenvironment{dsuspend}{
\global\setbox\EQ@box\vbox\bgroup \@parboxrestore
\parshape 1 \displayindent \displaywidth\relax
\hspace=\columnwidth \noindent\ignorespaces
}{
\par\egroup
\global\setbox\GRP@box\vbox{%
\hbox{\copy\EQ@box\vtop{\unvbox\EQ@box}}% 
\unvbox\GRP@box
}%
\global\GRP@queue\@xp{\the\GRP@queue 
% \@elt{\gdef\EQ@trial{\let\eq@isIntertext\@True}}%
\@elt{\let\eq@isIntertext\@True}%%%%}
%
}

Allow `\intertext` as a short form of the `\dsuspend` environment; it’s more convenient to write, but it doesn’t support embedded verbatim because it reads the material as a macro argument. To support simultaneous use of `amsmath` and `breqn`, the user command `\intertext` is left alone until we enter a `breqn` environment.

\newcommand\breqn@intertext[1]{\dsuspend#1\enddsuspend}

\*\discretionarytimes

Discretionary times sign. Standard \TeX{} definition serves only for inline math. Should the thin space be included? Not sure.

\renewcommand{\*}{% 
\if@display
Since `\eq@binoffset` is mu-glue, we can’t use it directly with `\kern` but have to measure it separately in a box.

\setbox\z@\hbox{\mathsurround\z@\$\mkern\eq@binoffset$}%
This is only the symbol; it can be changed to some other symbol if desired.
\newcommand{\discretionarytimes}{\times}

\nref
This is like \ref but doesn’t apply font changes or other guff if the reference is undefined. And it is fully expandable for use as a label value.

Can break with Babel if author uses active characters in label key; need to address that

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\def\nref#1{\@xp\@nref\csname r@#1\endcsname}
\def\@nref#1#2{\ifx\relax#1??\else \@xp\@firstoftwo#1\fi}

38 Compatibility
\lineno
(or at the very least, allow documents to compile!)
\AtBeginDocument{%
\@ifpackageloaded{lineno}{%
 \@addtomacro\@dmath@start@hook{\nolinenumbers}%
 \@addtomacro\@dgroup@start@hook{\nolinenumbers}%
 }{%
}

39 Wrap-up
The usual endinput.

40 To do
1. Alignment for equation groups.
2. Use dpc’s code for package options in keyval form.
3. Encapsulate “break math” into a subroutine taking suitable arguments.
4. Need a density check for layout S when linewidth is very small.

5. Make := trigger a warning about using \textbackslash coloneq instead.

6. Ill-centered multiline equation (three-line case) in test008.

7. Attaching a single group number.

8. Make sure to dump out box registers after done using them.

9. Do the implementation for \textbackslash eq\textbackslash resume\textbackslash parshape.

10. Check on stackrel and buildrel and relbar and ???.

11. Test math symbols at the beginning of array cells.

12. Test \textbackslash \textbackslash nd in and out of delims.

13. Framing the equation body: the parshape and number placement need adjusting when a frame is present.

14. Cascading line widths in list env.

15. Noalign option for dmath = multiline arrangement?

16. Nocompact option, suggested 1998/05/19 by Andrew Swann.

17. \textbackslash delbreak cmd to add discretionary space at a break within delimiters.

18. Reduce above/below skip when the number is shifted.

19. Need a \textbackslash middelim command for marking a delimiter symbol as nondirectional if it has an innate directionality ()[] etc...

20. \textbackslash xrightarrow from amsmath won’t participate in line breaking unless something extra is done. Make \textbackslash BreakingRel and \textbackslash BreakingBin functions?

21. Placement of number in an indented quotation or abstract.

22. If \textbackslash LHSwd > 2em, it might be a good idea to try with eqindentstep = 2em before shifting the number. Currently this doesn’t happen if the first trial pass (without the number) succeeds with indentstep = \textbackslash LHSwd > 2em.

23. Read past \textbackslash end\{enumerate\} when checking for \textbackslash end\{proof\}?

24. Look into using a “qed-list” of environment names instead of checking the existence of \textbackslash proofqed.

25. Pick up the vadjust/footnote/mark handling.

26. Forcing/prohibiting page breaks after/before an equation.

27. Adding a spanner brace on the left and individual numbers on the right (indy-numbered cases).
28. Provide \texttt{\textbackslash shiftnumber}, \texttt{\textbackslash holdnumber} to override the decision.

29. Provide a mechanism for adjusting the vertical position of the number. Here a version-specific selection macro would be useful.

\begin{dmath}[
\texttt{style=\textbackslash foredition{1}\{\textbackslash raisenumber{13pt}\}}]
\end{dmath}

30. Add an alignleft option for an equation group to mean, break and align to a ladder layout as usual within the equations, but for the group alignment used the leftmost point (for equations that don’t have an LHS, this makes no difference).

31. Test with Arseneau’s \texttt{wrapfig} for \texttt{parshape/everypar} interaction.

32. Fix up the macro/def elements.

33. Convert the literal examples in section ‘Equation types and forms’ to typeset form.

34. Compile comparison-examples: e.g., a standard equation env with big left-right objects that don’t shrink, versus how shrinking can allow it to fit.

35. Frame the “figures” since they are mostly text.

Possible enhancements:

1. Provide a \texttt{pull} option meaning to pull the first and last lines out to the margin, like the \texttt{multline} environment of the \texttt{amsmath} package. Maybe this should get an optional argument, actually, to specify the amount of space left at the margin.

2. With the draft option, one would like to see the equation labels in the left margin. Need to check with the \texttt{showkeys} package.

3. Options for break preferences: if there’s not enough room, do we first shift the number, or first try to break up the equation body?. In an aligned group, does sticking to the group alignment take precedence over minimizing the number of line breaks needed for individual equations?. And the general preferences probably need to be overridable for individual instances.

4. Extend suppress-breaks-inside-delimiters support to inline math (suggestion of Michael Doob).

5. Use \texttt{belowdisplayshortskip} above a \texttt{dsuspend} fragment if the fragment is only one line and short enough compared to the equation line above it.

6. Add \texttt{\textbackslash eqfuzz} distinct from \texttt{\textbackslash hfuzz}. Make use of it in the measuring phase.

7. Provision for putting in a ‘continued’ note.

8. Conserve box mem: modify frac, sub, sup, overline, underline, sqrt, to turn off \texttt{\textbackslash bin@break} and (less urgently) \texttt{\textbackslash rel@break}. 

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9. More explicit support for Russian typesetting conventions (cf Grinchuk article).

10. With package option refnumbers, leave unnumbered all uncited equations, even if they are not done with the star form (Bertolazzi’s easyeqn idea).

11. In an equation group, use a vertical bracket with the equation number to mark the lines contained in that equation.

12. For a two-line multline thingamabob, try to make sure that the lines overlap in the middle by 2 em or whatever (settable design variable).

13. Provide a separate vertical column for the principal mathrel symbols and center them within the column if they aren’t all the same width. Maybe an option for dmath: relwidth=x, so that two passes are not required to get the max width of all the mathrels. Or, no, just require it to be an halign or provide a macro to be applied to all the shorter rels:

\hspace{19pt}\text{\xrightarrow{foo}} ...

14. try to use vadjust for keepglue

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