

# Using the exam document class

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This is the documentation for version 2.3 of the `exam` document class.

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## 1 Introduction

The file `exam.cls` provides the `exam` document class, which attempts to make it easy for even a  $\LaTeX$  novice to prepare exams. Specifically, `exam.cls` sets the page layout so that there are one inch margins all around (no matter what size paper you're using) and provides commands that make it easy to format questions, create grading tables, create flexible headers and footers, and change the margins. In more detail:

- The class will automatically format and number the questions, parts of questions, subparts of parts, and subsubparts of subparts (see sections 5.1 and 5.2).

- You can include the point value of each question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart), with your choice of having the point values printed at the beginning of the text of the question, opposite that in the left margin, opposite that in the right margin, or in the right margin opposite the end of the question (see section 5.4).
- The class will add up the total points for each question (and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts) and the total points on each page, and make those totals available in macros (see sections 5.4.9, 9.5 and 9.6). You can also have the class print a grading table indexed either by question number or by page number (see section 9.1).
- You specify the header in three parts: One part to be left justified, one part to be centered, and one part to be right justified, and one or all of these can be omitted (see section 11.2).
- The footer is also specified in three parts: Left justified, centered, and right justified (see section 11.3).
- The header and footer for the first page can be different from the ones used on other pages (see sections 11.2.1, 11.2.2, 11.3.1, and 11.3.2).
- Both headers and footers can contain more than one line. To accommodate headers and footers with several lines, simple commands are provided to enlarge the part of the page devoted to the header and/or footer, and these commands can give one amount of space on the first page and a different amount of space on all other pages (see section 11.4).
- Macros are defined to enable you to state in the header and/or footer the total number of pages in the exam (see section 11.6) and to change the header and/or footer that appears on the last page of the exam (see section 11.7).
- Macros are defined so that the headers and footers can vary depending on whether the current page begins a new question or continues a question that started on an earlier page (and, if one continues onto the current page, to say what the number of that question is). Macros are also defined so that the headers and footers can vary depending on whether a question is complete on the current page or continues on to the next page (and, if one continues, to say what the number of that question is) (see section 11.9).
- You can have a horizontal rule at the base of the header and/or at the top of the footer (see section 11.5).
- The exam can begin with one or more cover pages, which are numbered separately from the main pages of the exam and which can have headers and footers different from the ones in the main pages of the exam (see section 12).
- You can include solutions in your  $\LaTeX$  file and have these solutions either printed or ignored (or replaced automatically by space in which the students can write their answers) depending on a single command (see section 8, section 5.3.3, and section 7.5).

The latest version of `exam.cls` (possibly a beta test version) should always be available at <http://www-math.mit.edu/~psh/>.

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- This work has the LPPL maintenance status “author-maintained”.
- This work consists of the files `exam.cls` and `examdoc.tex`.

## 3 The `\documentclass` command

To use the `exam` document class, you should specify `exam` as the required argument to your `\documentclass` command, as in

```
\documentclass{exam}
```

or, e.g., if you want to use 12 point type,

```
\documentclass[12pt]{exam}
```

There are two possible optional arguments that are specific to the `exam` document class: `addpoints` and `solutions`. Most documents that use the `exam` document class should use the option `addpoints` (see section 3.1); the option `answers` is used when you want to print solutions to the questions (see section 3.2).

### 3.1 The option `addpoints`

The `\documentclass` option `addpoints`, used as in

```
\documentclass[addpoints]{exam}
```

or

```
\documentclass[12pt,addpoints]{exam}
```

enables the commands that add up the points (see sections 5.4.9, 5.8, 9.5, and 9.6) and that produce grading tables and point tables (see sections 9.1 and 9.2). This is an option, rather than the default, mainly for the sake of maintaining backward compatibility; most documents that use the `exam` document class should use this option. The only reason *not* to use the `addpoints` option is that this option creates an error if you include any words in an argument that assigns points to a question (see section 5.4). If `addpoints` is not in

effect you can put whatever you want in the argument for the points, but if `addpoints` *is* in effect then the argument that contains the points must contain only digits and the command `\half` (see section 5.4.3).

You can also turn `addpoints` on and off wherever you like in the exam by using the commands

```
\addpoints
\noaddpoints
```

Using the document class option `addpoints` is equivalent to giving the command `\addpoints` at the beginning of the exam.

### 3.2 The option answers

If you will be typing solutions into the exam (see sections 8, 5.3.3, and 7.5) and you'd like the solutions to be printed on the next run of  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , you should include the document class option `answers`, as in

```
\documentclass[answers]{exam}
```

or

```
\documentclass[answers,12pt]{exam}
```

or

```
\documentclass[12pt,addpoints,answers]{exam}
```

Using the document class option `answers` is equivalent to giving the command `\printanswers` at the beginning of the exam (see section 8). The effect of this is that

- the contents of the environments

```
solution,
solutionorlines, and
solutionordottedlines
```

(see section 8) will be printed on the next run of  $\text{\LaTeX}$ ,

- any choices of a `choices` or `oneparchoices` environment (see section 5.3) that are created using a `\CorrectChoice` command (see section 5.3.3) instead of a `\choice` command will be printed with emphasis as determined by the argument of the most recent `\CorrectChoiceEmphasis` command (which by default is `\bfseries`), and
- any `\answerline` commands (see section 7.4) that include an optional argument containing the answer (see section 7.5) will have the answer printed on the answer line.

## 4 Asking for the student's name

This isn't anything specific to the `exam` document class, but it's worth mentioning because it isn't obvious. If you're leaving space for the answers on the question pages (see section 7), then you'll probably also want to leave space for the student's name. If you type

```
\begin{center}
  \fbox{\fbox{\parbox{5.5in}{\centering
    Answer the questions in the spaces provided on the
    question sheets.  If you run out of room for an answer,
    continue on the back of the page.}}}
\end{center}
```

```
\vspace{0.1in}
```

```
\makebox[\textwidth]{Name and section:\enspace\hrulefill}
```

```
\vspace{0.2in}
```

```
\makebox[\textwidth]{Instructor's name:\enspace\hrulefill}
```

after the `\begin{document}` command and before the `\begin{questions}` command (see section 5.1), then you'll get

Answer the questions in the spaces provided on the question sheets. If you run out of room for an answer, continue on the back of the page.

Name and section: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5 Questions and points

To create questions, you use a `questions` environment (see section 5.1); each question is begun with a `\question` command, which takes an optional argument to assign some number of points to the question (see section 5.4). The questions are numbered automatically. Point values can include half points (see section 5.4.3).

If you want a question to have several parts, you use a `parts` environment (see section 5.2); each part is begun with a `\part` command, which takes an optional argument to assign some number of points to the part (see section 5.4). The parts are numbered automatically. Similarly, parts can have subparts, and subparts can have subsubparts (see section 5.2).

The points for a question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart) appear by default at the beginning of the question (or part, etc.), but there are commands to have the points

appear instead in either the left margin or in the right margin (see section 5.4.1 and section 5.4.2). The formatting of the points can also be customized (see sections 5.4.4, 5.4.5, 5.4.6, and 5.4.7). It's also possible to have questions (or parts, etc.) that are worth “bonus points”, which are added up separately from the non-bonus points (see section 5.7).

## 5.1 Questions

To type the questions on the exam you use the `questions` environment. Each question is then begun with the command `\question`, and the questions are numbered automatically.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
```

```
\question
```

```
Why is there air?
```

```
\question
```

```
How much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?
```

```
\question Compute  $\int_0^1 x^2 dx$ .
```

```
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Why is there air?
2. How much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?
3. Compute  $\int_0^1 x^2 dx$ .

As the above example illustrates, you can leave blank lines between the `\question` command and the actual beginning of the question, or before the first `\question` command in the environment, and they will be ignored.

## 5.2 Questions with parts and subparts (and subsubparts)

If you want a question to have several parts, then you use the `parts` environment. For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
```

```
\question
```

```
Why is there air?
```

```
\question
What if there were no air?
```

```
\begin{parts}
\part
Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
```

```
\part
Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.
\end{parts}
```

```
\question
```

```
\begin{parts}
\part
Define the universe. Give three examples.
```

```
\part
If the universe were to end, how would you know?
```

```
\end{parts}
```

```
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Why is there air?
2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
  - (b) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.
3. (a) Define the universe. Give three examples.
  - (b) If the universe were to end, how would you know?

The above example illustrates several things:

- Parts of a question should be put into a `parts` environment.
- If a question begins with a `parts` environment, then the first part will appear on the same line with the question number.
- You can leave blank lines before and after the `\part` command, and they will be ignored.

There is also a `subparts` environment, and even a `subsubparts` environment, and they work just as you would expect. For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
\question
\begin{parts}
\part
What do you do with a drunken sailor?

\part
Is your answer different if it is before noon?

\end{parts}

\question
This is the second question.

\begin{parts}
\part
This is a part.

\part
This is also a part.

\begin{subparts}
\subpart
This is a subpart.

\subpart
This is a periscope.

\subpart
This is a pair of diving planes.

\subpart
\begin{subsubparts}
\subsubpart
This is a subsubpart.

\subsubpart
The lower surface of a diving plane?

\subsubpart
The ocean floor, perhaps?
```

```
\end{subsubparts}
\end{subparts}
```

```
\part
It's sad to be apart.
```

```
\end{parts}
```

```
\question
\begin{parts}
\part
\begin{subparts}
\subpart
This is a subpart.
```

```
\subpart
This is another subpart.
\end{subparts}
\part
This is another part.
```

```
\end{parts}
```

```
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. (a) What do you do with a drunken sailor?  
(b) Is your answer different if it is before noon?
2. This is the second question.
  - (a) This is a part.
  - (b) This is also a part.
    - i. This is a subpart.
    - ii. This is a periscope.
    - iii. This is a pair of diving planes.
    - iv.  $\alpha$ ) This is a subsubpart.
      - $\beta$ ) The lower surface of a diving plane?
      - $\gamma$ ) The ocean floor, perhaps?
  - (c) It's sad to be apart.

3. (a) i. This is a subpart.
  - ii. This is another subpart.
- (b) This is another part.

The numbers and letters used to number questions, parts, subparts, and subsubparts can be customized; see section 5.10.

### 5.3 Multiple choice questions

There are two environments for listing the possible answers to a multiple choice question:

- The `choices` environment creates a list with the choices as the items in the list (see section 5.3.1).
- The `oneparchoices` environment lists all of the choices in a single paragraph (that is a continuation of the paragraph preceding the environment unless you leave a blank line before beginning the environment) (see section 5.3.2).

Both of these environments use upper case letters (i.e., “A”, “B”, “C”, ...) to label the choices; to change this, see section 5.10. Both of these environments allow you to designate one or more choices as correct choices and to have the correct choices printed with emphasis when solutions are being printed (see section 5.3.3).

If you don’t want the students to just circle the correct choices, you can use the `\answerline` command to print a line on which the answer should be written (see section 7.4). The `\anwerline` command allows you to include as an optional argument the answer to the question, and the answer will be printed on the line when solutions are bing printed (see section 7.5).

#### 5.3.1 The choices environment

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
\question
One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not
the same. Which one is different?
\begin{choices}
\choice John
\choice Paul

\choice

George

\choice Ringo
```

```
\choice Socrates
```

```
\end{choices}
```

```
\end{questions}
```

Then you'll get

1. One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not the same. Which one is different?
  - A. John
  - B. Paul
  - C. George
  - D. Ringo
  - E. Socrates

### 5.3.2 The `oneparchoices` environment

If instead of the `choices` environment in the example of section 5.3.1 you use a `oneparchoices` environment, then you'll get

1. One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not the same. Which one is different? A. John B. Paul C. George D. Ringo E. Socrates

If you insert a blank line before the `\begin{oneparchoices}`, then you'll get

1. One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not the same. Which one is different?  
A. John B. Paul C. George D. Ringo E. Socrates

If you insert a blank line before the `\begin{oneparchoices}` and `\answerline` after the `\end{oneparchoices}` (see section 7.4 for a description of the `\answerline` command), then you'll get

1. One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not the same. Which one is different?  
A. John B. Paul C. George D. Ringo E. Socrates

1. \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.3.3 Solutions to multiple choice questions

The `exam` document class defines several environments for solutions (see section 8), the contents of which will be printed only if you use the document class option `answers` (as in `\documentclass[answers]{exam}`) or give the command `\printanswers` (see section 3.2). The `choices` (see section 5.3.1) and `oneparchoices` (see section 5.3.2) environments allow you to designate one or more of the choices as correct choices, and to have the correct choices printed differently from the others when solutions are being printed.

The command to define a correct choice is `\CorrectChoice`. When solutions are not being printed, `\CorrectChoice` is equivalent to `\choice`. When solutions are being printed, though, any choices that were created with `\CorrectChoice` (rather than with `\choice`) will be printed subject to the declarations in the argument of the

`\CorrectChoiceEmphasis`

command. The default situation was created by the command

`\CorrectChoiceEmphasis{\bfseries}`

and so when solutions are being printed the correct choices are printed in boldface by default. For example, if `\printanswers` is in effect and you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question One of these things is not like the others; one of these
  things is not the same. Which one is different?
  \begin{oneparchoices}
    \choice John
    \choice Paul
    \choice George
    \choice Ringo
    \CorrectChoice Socrates
  \end{oneparchoices}
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. One of these things is not like the others; one of these things is not the same. Which one is different? A. John B. Paul C. George D. Ringo **E. Socrates**

If, e.g., you give the command

`\usepackage{color}`

in the preamble of your document (i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command) and then give the command

`\CorrectChoiceEmphasis{\color{red}}`

then the correct choices will be printed in red (assuming that your printer can produce that color). For another example, if you give the command

```
\CorrectChoiceEmphasis{\color{red}\bfseries}
```

then the correct choices will be printed in boldface red (again assuming that your printer can produce that color).

To avoid confusion, `\correctchoice` is defined to be a synonym for `\CorrectChoice` and `\correctchoiceemphasis` is defined to be a synonym for `\CorrectChoiceEmphasis`.

## 5.4 Point values for the questions

Each of the commands `\question`, `\part`, `\subpart`, and `\subsubpart` takes an optional argument, which is the number of points for that question, part, subpart, or subsubpart. The default setup is that

- the point value is printed at the beginning of the question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart) (this can be changed to printing in either the left or right margins on the first line of the question or in the right margin at the end of the question; see section 5.4.1 and section 5.4.2), and
- the point value is enclosed in parentheses (this can be changed to either square brackets or a box; see section 5.4.4).

Both of these things can be further customized; see section 5.5 and section 5.4.7.

### 5.4.1 Where the points will be printed

The default is that the point value will be inserted at the beginning of the question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart) in parentheses, but

- the command `\pointsinmargin` will cause the point values to be set in the left margin,
- the command `\pointsinrightmargin` will cause the point values to be set in the right margin, and
- the commands `\nopointsinmargin` and `\nopointsinrightmargin` are equivalent, and either of them will revert to the default situation.

All of these print the point values on the first line of the question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart). There is also a way to print the point values on the *last* line of the question (or part, etc.); for this, see section 5.4.2.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
\question[20]
Why is there air?
```

```

\question
What if there were no air?

\begin{parts}
\part[10]
Describe the effect on the balloon industry.

\part[10]
Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.
\end{parts}

\end{questions}

```

then, with the default setup, you'll get

1. (20 points) Why is there air?
2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) (10 points) Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
  - (b) (10 points) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.

(To change the word “points”, see the commands described in section 5.4.5.)

If you give the command `\pointsinmargin`, then the above input will produce instead

- (20) 1. Why is there air?
2. What if there were no air?
  - (10) (a) Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
  - (10) (b) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.

(To have a word (e.g., “points”, or “%”) inside the parentheses with the point values, see the `\marginpointname` command in section 5.4.5.)

If you give the command `\pointsinrightmargin`, then the above input will produce instead

1. Why is there air? (20)
2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) Describe the effect on the balloon industry. (10)
  - (b) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry. (10)

### 5.4.2 Printing the points at the end of the question

Instead of having the point value of a question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart) printed on the first line of a question, you can have it printed in the right margin opposite the *last* line, or even opposite a blank line following the paragraph. This is done with the

`\pointsdroppedatright` and `\droppoints`

commands.

If you give the command

`\pointsdroppedatright`

then point values are not printed until you give the command `\droppoints` (and they're not printed at all if you don't give the command `\droppoints`). The only exception to this rule is that if you've given a `\qformat` command (see section 5.5), then question number lines are printed as specified by the argument to the `\qformat` command even if you have given the command `\pointsdroppedatright`.

The command `\droppoints` should be given only at the end of a paragraph or between paragraphs; if you give it within a paragraph, it causes the paragraph to end. `\droppoints` prints the point value in the right margin, formatted as it is when you give the command `\pointsinrightmargin`, except that the points appear opposite the last line of the paragraph (or, if the command `\droppoints` is given between paragraphs, then additional vertical space is left between the paragraphs and the points are printed opposite the blank space). The formatting can be changed by giving the commands `\bracketedpoints`, `\boxedpoints`, or `\marginpointname` (see section 5.4.5) just as if `\pointsinrightmargin` were in effect. The command `\droppoints` actually works this way even if one of the commands

`\nopointsinmargin`, `\pointsinmargin`, or `\pointsinrightmargin`

is in effect, but if you use it that way the points will appear twice on the page, which is probably not what you want.

For example, if you give the command `\pointsdroppedatright` and then type

```
\begin{questions}
\question[10]
Describe the implications of the Michelson-Morley ink drop experiment
for the use of punctuation marks such as colons and semicolons that
require multiple drops of ink.
\droppoints

\question[10]
Prove that the second dual of a finite dimensional real vector space
is naturally isomorphic to the given vector space, except when the
weapon chosen is a single shot pistol.\droppoints

\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Describe the implications of the Michelson-Morley ink drop experiment for the use of punctuation marks such as colons and semicolons that require multiple drops of ink. (10)
2. Prove that the second dual of a finite dimensional real vector space is naturally isomorphic to the given vector space, except when the weapon chosen is a single shot pistol. (10)

and if you type

```
\begin{questions}
\question[10]
Describe the implications of the Michelson-Morley ink drop experiment
for the use of punctuation marks such as colons and semicolons that
require multiple drops of ink.
```

```
\droppoints
```

```
\question[10]
Prove that the second dual of a finite dimensional real vector space
is naturally isomorphic to the given vector space, except when the
weapon chosen is a single shot pistol.
```

```
\droppoints
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Describe the implications of the Michelson-Morley ink drop experiment for the use of punctuation marks such as colons and semicolons that require multiple drops of ink. (10)
2. Prove that the second dual of a finite dimensional real vector space is naturally isomorphic to the given vector space, except when the weapon chosen is a single shot pistol. (10)

### 5.4.3 Half points

The point values of questions, parts, subparts, and subsubparts can include half points. To specify half points, you either type

```
\half
```

immediately following the integer part of the point value or just type `\half` as the entire point value. That is, the valid point values and their (default) printed appearances are:

|          |   |                    |   |                     |   |                     |     |
|----------|---|--------------------|---|---------------------|---|---------------------|-----|
| Typed:   | 0 | <code>\half</code> | 1 | <code>1\half</code> | 2 | <code>2\half</code> | ... |
| Printed: | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$      | 1 | $1\frac{1}{2}$      | 2 | $2\frac{1}{2}$      | ... |

If you prefer, you can cause the fraction  $\frac{1}{2}$  to be printed as  $\frac{1}{2}$ . To do this, you give the command

`\usehorizontalhalf`

after which the printed appearance of point values will be

|          |   |                    |   |                     |   |                     |     |
|----------|---|--------------------|---|---------------------|---|---------------------|-----|
| Typed:   | 0 | <code>\half</code> | 1 | <code>1\half</code> | 2 | <code>2\half</code> | ... |
| Printed: | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$      | 1 | $1\frac{1}{2}$      | 2 | $2\frac{1}{2}$      | ... |

If you want to return to using the default appearance, you can do that by giving the command

`\useslantedhalf`

#### 5.4.4 Surrounding the points: Parentheses, brackets, or a box

If you prefer having the points enclosed in brackets instead of in parentheses, give the command

`\bracketedpoints`

For example, if you give the command `\bracketedpoints`, then the questions typed above will produce

1. [20 points] Why is there air?
2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) [10 points] Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
  - (b) [10 points] Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.

If you prefer having the points enclosed in a box instead of in parentheses, give the command

`\boxedpoints`

For example, if you give the command `\boxedpoints`, then the questions typed above will produce

1. 20 points Why is there air?
2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) 10 points Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
  - (b) 10 points Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.

If you give the commands `\boxedpoints` and `\pointsinmargin`, then the above questions will produce

- 20 1. Why is there air?
- 2. What if there were no air?
- 10 (a) Describe the effect on the balloon industry.
- 10 (b) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry.

If you give the commands `\bracketedpoints` and `\pointsinrightmargin`, then the above questions will produce

- 1. Why is there air? [20]
- 2. What if there were no air?
  - (a) Describe the effect on the balloon industry. [10]
  - (b) Describe the effect on the aircraft industry. [10]

Other combinations of these commands will produce similar effects.

If you want to switch back and forth between formats during the exam, you can do so by giving one of the commands

```
\boxedpoints  
\bracketedpoints  
\noboxedpoints  
\nobracketedpoints
```

whenever you want to switch. (The commands `\nobracketedpoints` and `\noboxedpoints` are equivalent; they both return to the default of putting parentheses around the points.)

If you want some text (e.g., “points”, or “%”) automatically inserted along with the point values when using either `\pointsinmargin` or `\pointsinrightmargin`, see the command `\marginpointname` in section 5.4.5.

### 5.4.5 Using a substitute for the word “points”

With the default setup, the number of points is inserted before the text of the question followed by a single space and the word “point” if the number of points is either  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 1 and by the word “points” otherwise. That is, the default is `\nopointsinmargin` and `\noboxedpoints` (see sections 5.4.1 and 5.4.4), and if you type

```
\begin{questions}  
  \question[1]  
  This is a short question.  
  
  \question[5]  
  This is a longer question, requiring more thought.  
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. (1 point) This is a short question.
2. (5 points) This is a longer question, requiring more thought.

The way this is achieved is:

- There is a command

`\points`

whose default definition expands to the word ‘point’ if the number of points is either  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 1 and to ‘points’ otherwise. (This behavior can be modified by the command `\pointpoints`; see below.)

- There is a command

`\pointname{Text}`

that causes ‘Text’ to be inserted following the number of points of a question, part, subpart, or subsubpart. The default setup is the result of the command

`\pointname{ \points}`

(Note the single space before the command `\points`.)

There is also a command

`\pointpoints{SingularText}{PluralText}`

that changes the behavior of the `\points` command so that it expands to ‘SingularText’ if the number of points is  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 1 and to ‘PluralText’ otherwise. (The default is the result of the command `\pointpoints{point}{points}`.) Thus, if you give the command

`\pointpoints{Punkt}{Punkte}`

then typing the questions above would result in

1. (1 Punkt) This is a short question.
2. (5 Punkte) This is a longer question, requiring more thought.

There is also a command

`\marksnotpoints`

that is equivalent to the two commands

```
\pointpoints{mark}{marks}
\bonuspointpoints{mark (bonus)}{marks (bonus)}
```

(the command `\bonuspointpoints` is described in section 5.7). That command would cause the above questions to be printed as

1. (1 mark) This is a short question.
2. (5 marks) This is a longer question, requiring more thought.

For another example, if you give the command

```
\pointname{\%}
```

then the above questions would be printed as

1. (1%) This is a short question.
2. (5%) This is a longer question, requiring more thought.

### Using `\marginpointname`

Similarly, the command `\marginpointname` can be used to affect the text set with the number of points when `\pointsinmargin` or `\pointsinrightmargin` is in effect. For example, if you give the commands

```
\pointsinmargin
\marginpointname{\%}
```

and then type

```
\question[25]
Where, oh where, has my little dog gone?
```

then you'll get

(25%) 1. Where, oh where, has my little dog gone?

unless, e.g., you've also given the command `\boxedpoints` (see section 5.4.4), in which case you'll get

25% 1. Where, oh where, has my little dog gone?

If you give the commands

```
\marksnotpoints
\marginpointname{ \points}
```

then the above will print

(25 marks) 1. Where, oh where, has my little dog gone?

Using the default is equivalent to giving the command

```
\marginpointname{}
```

### 5.4.6 Using `\marginpointname` and enlarging the margins

The default margins are not very large, and so if you use `\marginpointname` (see section 5.4.5) to place any words along with the point values in the margin, you may run out of room. The solution to this problem is to enlarge the margins by using the `\extrawidth` command with a negative argument to *decrease* the width of the text area, and thus *increase* the width of the margins. For example, the commands

```
\extrawidth{-1in}
\marginpointname{ \points}
```

will increase each of the left and right margins by one half inch, which will easily leave room for the word “points”. (See section 10 for a discussion of the `\extrawidth` command.)

### 5.4.7 Completely customizing the points

If the customizations described in section 5.4.4 and section 5.4.5 (using `\bracketedpoints`, `\boxedpoints`, `\pointpoints`, `\pointname`, and `\marginpointname`) aren’t sufficient, and you don’t want to use the `\qformat` command to create a customized question number line (see section 5.5), you can completely customize the way the points are printed by using the commands

```
\pointformat
\bonuspointformat
```

The `\pointformat` command controls the printing of “regular” points (i.e., non-bonus points) and the `\bonuspointformat` command controls the printing of bonus points (see section 5.7).

Each of the commands `\pointformat` and `\bonuspointformat` takes one argument, and that argument is what actually appears on the page whether the points are being printed at the beginning of the question (the default), in the left margin (because of `\pointsinmargin`), in the right margin (because of `\pointsinrightmargin`), or dropped in the right margin at the end of the question (because of `\pointsdroppedatright`). The arguments to `\pointformat` and `\bonuspointformat` should contain either the command

```
\thepoints
```

(which for non-bonus points prints the number of points followed by the argument to the last `\pointname` command and for bonus points prints the number of bonus points followed by the argument to the last `\bonuspointname` command; see section 5.4.5) or the command

```
\themarginpoints
```

(which for non-bonus points prints the number of points followed by the argument to the last `\marginpointname` command and for bonus points prints the number of bonus points followed by the argument to the last `\marginbonuspointname` command; see section 5.4.5). If the argument doesn’t contain either `\thepoints` or `\themarginpoints`, then the number of points will not appear.

For example, the command `\bracketedpoints` is equivalent to either

```
\pointformat{[\thepoints]}
\bonuspointformat{[\thepoints]}
```

if the points are being printed at the beginning of the question, or

```
\pointformat{[\themarginpoints]}
\bonuspointformat{[\themarginpoints]}
```

if the points are being printed in one of the margins.

For another example, the command `\boxedpoints` is equivalent to either

```
\pointformat{\fbox{\thepoints}}
\bonuspointformat{\fbox{\thepoints}}
```

if the points are being printed at the beginning of the question, or

```
\pointformat{\fbox{\themarginpoints}}
\bonuspointformat{\fbox{\themarginpoints}}
```

if the points are being printed in one of the margins.

For another example, the commands

```
\begin{questions}
  \pointsinmargin
  \marginpointname{\%}
  \pointformat{\slshape (\themarginpoints)}
  \question[3] What is the point?
\end{questions}
```

will produce

(3%) 1. What is the point?

For another example, the commands

```
\begin{questions}
  \pointsinrightmargin
  \marginpointname{\%}
  \pointformat{\fbox{\bfseries\boldmath\themarginpoints}}
  \question[3\half] What is the point?
\end{questions}
```

will produce

1. What is the point?

$3\frac{1}{2}\%$

(Note: The commands `\bfseries` and `\boldmath` are both needed here because the  $\frac{1}{2}$  printed when you use half points is printed in math mode while the rest of the points are printed in text mode.)

For another example, the commands

```

\begin{questions}
  \pointname{}
  \pointformat{\bfseries\boldmath(Points for this problem: \thepoints)}
  \question[3\half] What is the point?
\end{questions}

```

will produce

1. **(Points for this problem: 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ )** What is the point?

#### 5.4.8 Questions that begin with a parts environment

If a question begins with a parts environment, then the question number and the number of the first part in the parts environment will be printed on the same line (see section 5.2). Thus, if points are assigned to both the question and to the first part, both of those point values will be printed on the same line. (Note: This was not true in versions of the exam document class earlier than 2.3. In those versions, only the later of the two point values would actually be printed.) If `\pointsinmargin` or `\pointsinrightmargin` are in effect (see section 5.4.1), then the two point values will be printed on top of each other, which is probably not what you want. The same problem arises if a part begins with a subparts environment or if a subpart begins with a subsubparts environment.

If you want to assign points to both a question and to each part of a parts environment, and if the first part will begin on the same line as the question, the solution is to either use the default location (i.e., `\nopointsinmargin`) or to put some of the points in the margin and others not. For example, if you type

```

\begin{questions}
  \pointsinmargin
  \noaddpoints
  \question[10]
  \begin{parts}
    \nopointsinmargin
    \addpoints
    \part[5] Who put the ‘‘bop’’ in the ‘‘bop, sh-bop, sh-bop’’?
    \part[5] Who put the ‘‘ram’’ in the ‘‘rama, rama ding-dong’’?
  \end{parts}
\end{questions}

```

then you’ll get

- (10%) 1. (a) (5 points) Who put the “bop” in the “bop, sh-bop, sh-bop”?
- (b) (5 points) Who put the “ram” in the “rama, rama ding-dong”?

### 5.4.9 Adding up the points for a question

If you use the document class option `addpoints` (as in `\documentclass[addpoints]{exam}`) or give the command `\addpoints` (see section 3.1), then you can use the command

`\droptotalpoints`

to put into the right margin the total number of points for the current question (including the points for all parts, subparts, and subsubparts). (Section 5.5.1 describes a different way to print the total number of points for a question.) The command `\droptotalpoints` should be given only at the end of a paragraph or between paragraphs; if you give it within a paragraph, it causes the paragraph to end. `\droptotalpoints` prints the total points for the current question in the right margin, formatted by default as:

Total for Question 2: 25

(Note: The number of points is followed by the argument to the most recently executed `\marginpointname` command (see section 5.4.5), which by default is empty.)

If the current question is worth any bonus points (see section 5.7), then those bonus points will not be counted by the `\droptotalpoints` command, but they will be counted by the

`\droptotalbonuspoints`

command, which puts into the right margin the total number of bonus points for the current question, formatted by default as:

Total for Question 2: 10 (bonus)

(Note: The number of bonus points is followed by the argument to the most recently executed `\marginbonuspointname` command (see section 5.7), which by default is “(bonus)”.)

You can change the format used by the `\droptotalpoints` command with the

`\totalformat`

command. It takes one argument, and that argument becomes the command to print the total points, right justified a distance of `\rightpointsmargin` from the right edge of the paper. The argument can contain the command

`\totalpoints` to print the number of points, and  
`\thequestion` to print the question number.

(`\totalpoints` expands to `\pointsofquestion{\arabic{question}}`; see section 9.5 for a discussion of the `\pointsofquestion` command.) For example, if you give the command

`\totalformat{Question \thequestion: \totalpoints}`

then the total number of points will be printed in the format

Question 2: 25

and if you give the command

`\totalformat{\fbox{Total: \totalpoints}}`

then the total number of points will be printed as

Total: 25

Thus, if you've given the commands

```
\addpoints
\bracketedpoints
\pointdroppedatright
```

and you type

```
\question
\begin{parts}
\part[10]
In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.
\droppoints
\part[10]
What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to
make the earth into a regular icosahedron?
\droppoints
\end{parts}
\droptotalpoints
```

then you'll get

1. (a) In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round. [10%]
- (b) What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make the earth into a regular icosahedron? [10%]

Total for Question 1: 20

If you've also given the command

```
\totalformat{Total for Question \thequestion: [\totalpoints]}
```

then you'll get

1. (a) In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round. [10%]
- (b) What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make the earth into a regular icosahedron? [10%]

Total for Question 1: [20]

To change the format used by the `\droptotalbonuspoints` command, you use the command

```
\bonustotalformat
```

which is analogous to the `\totalformat` command. The argument to `\bonustotalformat` can contain the command

`\totalbonuspoints` to print the number of bonus points, and  
`\thequestion` to print the question number.

(`\totalbonuspoints` expands to `\bonuspointsofquestion{\arabic{question}}`; see section 9.7 for a discussion of the `\bonuspointsofquestion` command.)

#### 5.4.10 Margin sizes when using `\pointsinmargin` and `\pointsinrightmargin`

- If you give the command `\pointsinmargin`, then the points are printed right justified in the left margin, with the right edge a distance of `\marginpointsep` from the left edge of the text area. The default value of `\marginpointsep` is the result of the command

`\setlength{\marginpointsep}{5pt}`

and you can change it by giving a new `\setlength` command.

- If you give the command `\pointsinrightmargin`, then the points are printed right justified in the right margin, with the right edge a distance of `\rightpointsmargin` from the right edge of the paper. The default value of `\rightpointsmargin` is the result of the command

`\setlength{\rightpointsmargin}{1cm}`

and you can change it by giving a new `\setlength` command.

You can change the width of the text area (and, thus, change the width of the margins) with the `\extrawidth` command (see section 5.4.6).

## 5.5 Custom question number lines: The `\qformat` command

The default setup is for the question number to appear in the left margin and for the text of the question to begin on that line. It's possible to change this so that the text of the question starts on the line following the question number, and the format of the line containing the question number is determined by the user. This is done using the `\qformat` command. (There is also a `\noqformat` command, which reverts to the default setup.)

To use the `\qformat` command, you give the command

`\qformat{Format specification}`

where 'Format specification' must contain some stretchability (e.g., at least one `\hfill` or `\dotfill` or `\hrulefill` or ...) and can contain the commands

- `\thequestion`, which expands to the question number,

- `\thepoints`, which expands to
  - nothing, if no points were specified for the question,
  - the number of points followed by the argument to the last `\pointname` command, if this is a “regular” question (i.e., not a bonus question; see section 5.7), and
  - the number of bonus points followed by the argument to the last `\bonuspointname` command, if this is a bonus question (see section 5.7)

(see section 5.4.5 for a discussion of the `\pointname` and `\bonuspointname` commands), and

- `\totalpoints`, which expands to the total number of points specified for the question and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts (see section 5.4.9). The command `\totalpoints` expands to `\pointsofquestion{\arabic{question}}`.

For example, if you give the commands

```
\qformat{Question \thequestion \dotfill \thepoints}
\begin{questions}
\question[10]
What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?
\end{questions}
```

then you’ll get

```
Question 1.....10 points
  What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?
```

If you instead use the command

```
\qformat{\textbf{Question \thequestion}\quad (\thepoints)\hfill}
```

then you’ll get

```
Question 1 (10 points)
  What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?
```

If you instead use the command

```
\qformat{\hfill Question \thequestion\hfill (\thepoints)}
```

then you’ll get

```

                                Question 1                                (10 points)
  What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?
```

### 5.5.1 Adding up the points for a question

You can combine `\qformat` with the `\totalpoints` command (see section 5.4.9): If you assign points only to parts, subparts, and subsubparts of questions, but none to the questions themselves, and you give the command

```
\qformat{Question \thequestion\dotfill \emph{\totalpoints\ points}}
```

(you must have used the document class option `addpoints` or given the command `\addpoints` in order to use the `\totalpoints` command; see section 3.1), then you can type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  \begin{parts}
    \part[10]
    In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.
    \part[10]
    What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make
    the earth into a regular icosahedron?
  \end{parts}
\end{questions}
```

and you'll get

Question 1 ..... *20 points*

- (a) (10 points) In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.
- (b) (10 points) What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make the earth into a regular icosahedron?

For another method of printing the total points for a question, see the `\droptotalpoints` command in section 5.4.9.

## 5.6 Titled questions

When using a grading table or point table indexed by question number (see sections 9.1 and 9.2) it's possible to replace the question numbers in the table with titles for the questions. This is done using the `\titledquestion` command (see section 5.6.1), and you can then print the title in places other than the table using the `\thequestiontitle` command (see section 5.6.2).

### 5.6.1 `\titledquestion`

The command `\titledquestion` is a replacement for `\question`; it has one required argument (the title) and one optional argument (the point value), as in

```
\titledquestion{Question \thequestion: Concepts}
```

which sets the question title to “Question 2: Concepts” (if this is the second question) and doesn’t set any point values, or

```
\titledquestion{Design}[10]
```

which sets the question title to “Design” and sets the point value to “10”. Note that the question title doesn’t include the number of the question unless you put it there using the `\thequestion` command.

Using `\titledquestion` instead of `\question` doesn’t change the appearance of the question (unless you use `\thequestiontitle` in the argument of a `\qformat` command; see section 5.6.2). The only direct effect of using `\titledquestion` instead of `\question` is that if you print a grading table indexed by question number (see section 9.1), then the title of the question will replace the number of the question in the table. To have the title of the question appear in the question itself, see the example in section 5.6.2.

If you create a grading table or point table indexed by question number and you create a question using the `\titledquestion` command, then the number of the question won’t appear in the table unless you include `\thequestion` in the title of the question.

### 5.6.2 `\thequestiontitle`

The command `\thequestiontitle` expands to

- the title of the question (if the question was defined using a `\titledquestion` command) or
- the number of the question (if the question was defined using a `\question` command).

This is for use in the argument of a `\qformat` command (see section 5.5), so that you can have the question title appear in the question itself, and not just in a grading table or point table.

The contents of `\thequestiontitle` don’t appear anywhere in the question itself unless you do something to make them appear. For example, if you give the command

```
\qformat{Question \thequestion: \thequestiontitle\dotfill\thepoints}
```

and then type

```
\begin{questions}
```

```
\titledquestion{History of Empirical Aerodynamics}[10]
```

```
What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?
```

```
\end{questions}
```

then you’ll get

Question 1: History of Empirical Aerodynamics.....10 points

What did Billy Joe MacAllister throw off the Tallahatchie Bridge?

If the command `\thequestiontitle` is never used, then the only effect of using the command `\titledquestion` instead of the command `\question` is that, in a grading table or point table indexed by question number, this question will be indexed by the title of the question rather than by the question number, and the title of the question will never appear except in the table.

## 5.7 Bonus points

It's possible to create questions, parts, subparts, or subsubparts that are worth *bonus points*, instead of regular points. To do this, you use the command

|                                   |            |                                |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| <code>\bonusquestion</code>       | instead of | <code>\question</code> ,       |
| <code>\bonustitledquestion</code> | instead of | <code>\titledquestion</code> , |
| <code>\bonuspart</code>           | instead of | <code>\part</code> ,           |
| <code>\bonussubpart</code>        | instead of | <code>\subpart</code> , and    |
| <code>\bonussubsubpart</code>     | instead of | <code>\subsubpart</code> .     |

If you don't assign any points to these commands then using them is equivalent to using the corresponding non-bonus commands. If you do assign points, though, then

- the points are typeset differently (see below),
- the points are not counted by the `\gradetable` or `\pointtable` commands (see sections 9.1 and 9.2), though they *are* counted by the `\bonusgradetable` and `\bonuspointtable` commands (see section 9.7),
- the points are not counted by the `\droptotalpoints` command (see section 5.4.9), though they are counted by the `\droptotalbonuspoints` command (see below),
- the points are not counted by the `\pointsofquestion` (see section 9.5) or `\pointsonpage` (see section 9.6) commands, though they *are* counted by the `\bonuspointsofquestion` and `\bonuspointsonpage` (see section 9.7) commands, and
- the points are not counted by the `\numpoints` command (see section 5.8), though they *are* counted by the `\numbonuspoints` command (see section 5.8).

The default setup is that if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question[10] Who discovered America?
  \bonusquestion[1] On what day of the week did he do it?
  \bonusquestion[2] What color shirt was he wearing?
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. (10 points) Who discovered America?
2. (1 point (bonus)) On what day of the week did he do it?
3. (2 points (bonus)) What color shirt was he wearing?

There is also a command `\bonuspointpoints` that is analogous to `\pointpoints` (see section 5.4.5); the default setup was created by the command

```
\bonuspointpoints{point (bonus)}{points (bonus)}
```

and if you give the command

```
\bonuspointpoints{bonus point}{bonus points}
```

then typing the above would produce

1. (10 points) Who discovered America?
2. (1 bonus point) On what day of the week did he do it?
3. (2 bonus points) What color shirt was he wearing?

There are also commands

```
\bonuspointname and \marginbonuspointname that are analogous to \pointname and \marginpointname
```

(see section 5.4.5), and commands

```
\droptotalbonuspoints, \droptotalpoints,  
\bonustotalformat, and \totalformat, and  
\totalbonuspoints \totalpoints
```

(see section 5.4.9).

## 5.8 Counting the questions and adding up the points

The `exam` document class automatically counts the numbers of questions, parts, and subparts, and makes these numbers available as the macros

```
\numquestions  
\numparts  
\numsubparts  
\numsubsubparts
```

These numbers are also printed on the screen when you run  $\LaTeX$  and they are placed into the `.log` file as well. If you have more than one `questions` environment (for example, if your exam has several parts, with the questions in each part numbered beginning with “1”), then `\numquestions` will hold the total number of questions on the exam. If you do have more than one `questions` environment, though, you won’t be able to use the `\gradetable` or `\pointtable` commands (see section 9).

If you use the document class option `addpoints` or give the command `\addpoints` (see section 3.1), then the class will add the total number of points and the total number of bonus points (see section 5.7) that you’ve given to all of the questions, parts, subparts, and subsubparts of the exam, and make those totals available in the macros

```
\numpoints  
\numbonuspoints
```

as well as displaying those totals on the screen when you run L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and placing them into the .log file. You can then type

```
\begin{center}
  This exam has \numquestions\ questions, for a total of \numpoints\
  points and \numbonuspoints\ bonus points.
\end{center}
```

and you'll get

This exam has 8 questions, for a total of 120 points and 10 bonus points.

*Warning:* If `addpoints` is in effect, your point values for questions, parts, subparts, and subsubparts must not contain anything other than digits and the command `\half` (see section 5.4.3). For example, if you *don't* give the command `\addpoints`, then you can type

```
\question[10\%]
```

with no problems, but this will cause errors if you've given the command `\addpoints`. The correct way to accomplish what you want is to give the command `\marginpointname{\%}` or `\pointname{\%}` and then type `\question[10]` (see section 5.4.5).

If you want to temporarily turn off the adding of points (for example, if you list both the total points for each question and the points for each part, but you don't want to count the points twice), you can give the command

```
\noaddpoints
```

to turn off the adding of points and the command `\addpoints` to turn it back on.

If `addpoints` is in effect, then you can create grading tables (see section 9.1) and point tables (see section 9.2) and use the commands `\pointsofquestion` (see section 9.5) and `\pointsonpage` (see section 9.6).

## 5.9 Referring to specific questions by number (cross references)

You can use the standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X commands `\label` and `\ref` to refer to questions (or parts, or subparts, or subsubparts) by number. For example, if you type

```
The first question is question number~\ref{ques:first}.
Question number~\ref{ques:second} has both a good part
(part~\ref{part:good}) and a bad part (part~\ref{part:bad}).
```

```
\begin{questions}
\question
\label{ques:first}
This is the first question.
```

```
\question
```

```
\label{ques:second}
\begin{parts}
\part
\label{part:good}
This is the good part.
```

```
\part
\label{part:bad}
This is the \emph{bad} part.
\end{parts}
```

```
\question
Is there a question?
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get:

The first question is question number 1. Question number 2 has both a good part (part a) and a bad part (part b).

1. This is the first question.
2. (a) This is the good part.  
(b) This is the *bad* part.
3. Is there a question?

As with all other cross references in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, you'll have to run your file through L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X *twice* to be sure that all the cross references are correct.

## 5.10 Customizing the numbers

The default setup is that:

1. Question numbers are arabic, and are followed by a period.
  - (a) Part numbers are lower case letters, and are enclosed in parentheses.
    - i. Subpart numbers are lower case roman, and are followed by a period.
      - $\alpha$ ) Subsubpart numbers are greek, and are followed by a right parenthesis.
        - A. Choices are upper case letters, and are followed by a period.

All of this can be changed.

To change the type of numbering, you would redefine the commands

```

\thequestion
\thepartno
\thesubpart
\thesubsubpart
\thechoice

```

(Note: The second one listed there is `\thepartno`, *not* `\thepart`. The command `\thepart` refers to the counter used in the article document class standard sectioning command `\part`.) The numbering commands available are

```

\arabic    Regular arabic integers
\alph      Lower case letters
\Alph      Upper case letters
\roman     Lower case roman numbers
\Roman     Upper case roman numbers
\greeknum  Greek letters

```

and any of these can be applied to the counters `question`, `partno`, `subpart`, `subsubpart`, and `choice`. (The `\greeknum` command is defined by the exam document class, but all of the others are standard L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X commands.)

For example, to have questions numbered using upper case roman numbers and parts numbered using upper case letters, you would give the commands

```

\renewcommand\thequestion{\Roman{question}}
\renewcommand\thepartno{\Alph{partno}}

```

The “decorations” around the numbers (i.e., the periods, or parentheses, or ...) are determined by the commands

```

\questionlabel
\partlabel
\subpartlabel
\subsubpartlabel
\choicelabel

```

the default definitions of which are:

```

\newcommand\questionlabel{\thequestion.}
\newcommand\partlabel{(\thepartno)}
\newcommand\subpartlabel{\thesubpart.}
\newcommand\subsubpartlabel{\thesubsubpart)}
\newcommand\choicelabel{\thechoice.}

```

You can change any of these by giving `\renewcommand` commands to redefine them.

## 5.11 Customizing the list parameters

Each of the environments `questions`, `parts`, `subparts`, `subsubparts`, and `choices` is implemented as a `list` environment. This section describes commands for advanced users who want to customize the list parameters (`\topsep`, `\parttopsep`, `\itemsep`, `\parsep`, etc.) for the lists that those environments create.

The `exam` document class includes the expansion of

|                               |                 |                          |                  |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| <code>\questionshook</code>   | when creating a | <code>questions</code>   | environment,     |
| <code>\partshook</code>       | when creating a | <code>parts</code>       | environment,     |
| <code>\subpartshook</code>    | when creating a | <code>subparts</code>    | environment,     |
| <code>\subsubpartshook</code> | when creating a | <code>subsubparts</code> | environment, and |
| <code>\choiceshook</code>     | when creating a | <code>choices</code>     | environment.     |

The `exam` document class defines these as follows:

```
\newcommand\questionshook{}
\newcommand\partshook{}
\newcommand\subpartshook{}
\newcommand\subsubpartshook{}
\newcommand\choiceshook{}
```

Thus, by default, these commands have no effect, but you can change any of them with a `\renewcommand` command. Thus, if you redefine, e.g., `\questionshook` to expand to commands that set values for some of the list parameters, then those values will be used in the `questions` environment.

For example, if you give the command

```
\renewcommand\questionshook{\setlength{\itemsep}{1in}}
```

then there will be an additional one inch of blank space inserted between questions (since the questions are the items in a `questions` environment). For another example, if you give the command

```
\renewcommand\partshook{\setlength{\topsep}{0.5in}}
```

then each parts environment will have an additional one half inch of space before and after the environment.

## 6 Escaping the indentation: `\uplevel` and `\fullwidth`

There are two commands provided for printing text with a left margin smaller than the one currently in effect: `\uplevel` and `\fullwidth`. Each of these commands takes one argument and typesets the argument with an altered left margin. The main uses for these commands are including instructions for a group of questions (see section 6.1) and naming the parts of a long exam (see section 6.2), but you can use them however you like.

## 6.1 Including instructions for a group of questions

If you are inside of a parts environment and you want to give directions for the next few parts, then those directions should be indented to the level of the question of which they are parts, i.e., up one level. If you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  Why did you come to Casablanca?

  \question
  \begin{parts}
    \part
    Why, Oh why, Oh why, Oh; why did I ever leave Ohio?

    \uplevel{The following two parts should be answered in classical
      Greek:}
    \part
    Why do birds sing?

    \part
    Why do fools fall in love?

  \end{parts}
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Why did you come to Casablanca?
2. (a) Why, Oh why, Oh why, Oh; why did I ever leave Ohio?

The following two parts should be answered in classical Greek:

- (b) Why do birds sing?
- (c) Why do fools fall in love?

If you want to give instructions for a group of questions, then the indenting for those instructions should be to the outer left margin, i.e., up one level. For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  Approximate  $\int_0^1 \sin x^2 \, dx$  within  $0.001$  of
  its true value.

  \uplevel{Questions \ref{exact-start} through~\ref{exact-end} should
    be evaluated completely, not just approximated.}
```

```

\question
\label{exact-start}

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$$


```

```

\question

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$$


```

```

\question
\label{exact-end}

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^3 x \cos x dx$$

\end{questions}

```

you'll get

1. Approximate  $\int_0^1 \sin x^2 dx$  within .001 of its true value.

Questions 2 through 4 should be evaluated completely, not just approximated.

2.  $\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

3.  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$

4.  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^3 x \cos x dx$

If you want to give instructions that use the full width of the page (rather than just going up one level of indentation), then use the `\fullwidth` command. For example, if you type

```

\begin{questions}
\question
This is the first question.

```

```

\question
\begin{parts}
\part
This is the first part.

```

```

\part
This is the second part.

```

```

\begin{subparts}
\subpart
This is a subpart.

```

```

\fullwidth{When you finish this exam, you should go back and
reexamine your work, both on this exam and in your life up
until the day of this exam, for any errors that you may have
made.}

\subpart
This is another subpart.
\end{subparts}
\end{parts}
\end{questions}

```

then you'll get

1. This is the first question.
2. (a) This is the first part.
  - (b) This is the second part.
    - i. This is a subpart.

When you finish this exam, you should go back and reexamine your work, both on this exam and in your life up until the day of this exam, for any errors that you may have made.

- ii. This is another subpart.

## 6.2 Naming the parts of a long exam

There are two ways of naming the parts of a long exam. The first way uses the `\fullwidth` and `\uplevel` commands (see section 6.2.1), and the other way uses the standard `\part` and `\section` commands (see section 6.2.2).

### 6.2.1 Using `\uplevel` and `\fullwidth`

To place a section name in the exam, just use a `\fullwidth` command (see section 6) and include whatever font changing commands that you want to use. For example, if you type

```

\begin{questions}
\question
Is there, is there balm in Gilead?

\fullwidth{\Large \textbf{Essay questions}}

\question
Explain how the cooling of matter in the centuries following the big
bang has influenced the British parliamentary system of government.

\fullwidth{\Large \textbf{Laboratory questions}}

```

```
\question
In the cabinet below your laboratory bench you will find a single
edged razor blade, several C-clamps, and a bottle of whiskey.
Remove your appendix. Do not suture until your work has been
inspected.
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Is there, is there balm in Gilead?

## Essay questions

2. Explain how the cooling of matter in the centuries following the big bang has influenced the British parliamentary system of government.

## Laboratory questions

3. In the cabinet below your laboratory bench you will find a single edged razor blade, several C-clamps, and a bottle of whiskey. Remove your appendix. Do not suture until your work has been inspected.

### 6.2.2 Using the standard sectioning commands

The exam document class is built upon the standard article document class, and so the sectioning commands used with the article document class can be used here as well. In particular, you can give the commands `\part`, `\part*`, `\section`, and `\section*`. The definitions made in `exam.cls` ensure that if a `\part` command appears *outside of a parts environment* it will be interpreted as a sectioning command, while if it appears *inside of a parts environment* it will be interpreted as beginning a new part of a question.

You can give these commands in the middle of a questions environment so as not to interrupt the numbering of the questions, or you can end a questions environment, give a sectioning command, and then start a new questions environment (which would reset the question counter to start again with number 1). If you have more than one questions environment, though, then you will be unable to use any of the commands that create grading tables or point tables (see section 9) or the commands that change the headers and footers depending on whether or not a question spans multiple pages (see section 11.9).

If you give any of these commands while inside of a questions environment, then the section titles will be indented to the same extent that questions are indented unless they are given as the argument of a `\fullwidth` or `\uplevel` command. These commands have the advantage, however, that the unstarred versions provide automatic numbering of the parts or sections.

## 7 Leaving space for the answers

There are three different kinds of space that you can create:

- Blank space (see section 7.1),
- space filled with lines (see section 7.2), and
- space filled with dotted lines (see section 7.3).

If you type solutions using a `solution`, `solutionorlines`, or `solutionordottedlines` environment (see section 8), then you can arrange for space to be created only when the solutions are not being printed; see section 8.4.

You can also create answer lines for short answer questions (see section 7.4).

### 7.1 Leaving blank space

To leave blank space on the page for the answer to a question, you should use the `\vspace*` command. For example, the command `\vspace*{1in}` inserts one inch of vertical space after the line in which it appears. (If it appears in between paragraphs, then it inserts the space right there.) You can also use the `\vspace` command, the difference being that space inserted by `\vspace` will be deleted if it occurs at the top of a new page, whereas space inserted by `\vspace*` will never be deleted.

If you want to equally distribute the blank space among the questions on the page, then just put `\vspace*{\fill}` after each question on the page and use `\newpage` to end the page.

You can also leave blank space when solutions are not being printed by using an optional argument with a `solution` environment; see section 8.4.

### 7.2 Printing lined space for answers

You can fill space with lines with the command

```
\fillwithlines{length}
```

which fills vertical space of height `length` with horizontal lines that run the length of the current line. That is, they extend from the current left margin (which depends on whether we're in a question, part, subpart, or subsubpart) to the right margin.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.

  \fillwithlines{1in}
```

```

\question
\begin{parts}
  \part
  What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make
  the earth into a regular icosahedron?

  \fillwithlines{1in}

  \part
  Where should the field generator be constructed if you want one of
  the vertices to be located at the Royal Observatory at Greenwich?

  \fillwithlines{1in}

\end{parts}
\end{questions}

```

then you'll get

1. In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.

---



---



---



---

2. (a) What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make the earth into a regular icosahedron?

---



---



---



---

- (b) Where should the field generator be constructed if you want one of the vertices to be located at the Royal Observatory at Greenwich?

---



---



---



---

The distance between the lines is `\linefillheight`, the default value of which is set with the command

```
\setlength\linefillheight{.25in}
```

That value can be changed by giving a new `\setlength` command. The thickness of the lines is `\linefillthickness`, the default value of which is set with the command

```
\setlength\linefillthickness{0.1pt}
```

and that value can also be changed by giving a new `\setlength` command.

If you want to fill the remaining space on the page with lines, you should give the commands

```
\fillwithlines{\fill}  
\newpage
```

If you want to equally distribute the space for answers among the questions on the page, then just put `\fillwithlines{\fill}` after each question on the page and use `\newpage` to end the page.

You can also insert lined space when solutions are not being printed by including an optional argument with the `solutionorlines` environment; see section 8.4.

### 7.3 Printing dotted lined space

You can fill space with dotted lines with the command

```
\fillwithdottedlines{length}
```

which fills vertical space of height `length` with dotted horizontal lines that run the length of the current line. That is, they extend from the current left margin (which depends on whether we're in a question, part, subpart, or subsubpart) to the right margin. The command `\fillwithdottedlines` is almost identical to the `\fillwithlines` command (see section 7.2), except that the lines created are dotted and the distance between the lines is `\dottedlinefillheight`. The default value of `\dottedlinefillheight` is set by the command

```
\setlength\dottedlinefillheight{.25in}
```

and that value can be changed by giving a new `\setlength` command.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}  
  \question  
  In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.  
  
  \fillwithdottedlines{1in}  
  
  \question  
  \begin{parts}  
    \part  
    What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make
```

the earth into a regular icosahedron?

```
\fillwithdottedlines{1in}
```

```
\part
```

Where should the field generator be constructed if you want one of the vertices to be located at the Royal Observatory at Greenwich?

```
\fillwithdottedlines{1in}
```

```
\end{parts}
```

```
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. In no more than one paragraph, explain why the earth is round.

.....  
.....  
.....  
.....

2. (a) What changes to the van Allen radiation belt are needed to make the earth into a regular icosahedron?

.....  
.....  
.....  
.....

- (b) Where should the field generator be constructed if you want one of the vertices to be located at the Royal Observatory at Greenwich?

.....  
.....  
.....  
.....

If you want to fill the remaining space on the page with dotted lines, you should give the commands

```
\fillwithdottedlines{\fill}
\newpage
```

If you want to equally distribute the space for answers among the questions on the page, then just put `\fillwithdottedlines{\fill}` after each question on the page and use `\newpage` to end the page.

You can also insert dotted lined space when solutions are not being printed by including an optional argument with the `solutionordottedlines` environment; see section 8.4.

## 7.4 Short answer questions

The exam class can print answer lines for short answer questions. The command

```
\answerline
```

leaves blank vertical space of length `\answerskip` and then inserts a horizontal line of length `\answerlinelength` at the right margin, preceded by the number of the current question, part, subpart, or subsubpart. The default values of `\answerskip` and `\answerlinelength` are set by the commands

```
\setlength\answerskip{2ex}
\setlength\answerlinelength{1in}
```

and these can be changed by giving new `\setlength` commands. If you use the command `\answerline` outside of a `questions` environment, then the number before the line will be omitted.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  Who's buried in Grant's tomb?
  \answerline

  \question
  What was the color of George Washington's white horse?
  \answerline

  \question
  Which is heavier: A pound of feathers, or a pound of lead?
  \answerline
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Who's buried in Grant's tomb?

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. What was the color of George Washington's white horse?

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Which is heavier: A pound of feathers, or a pound of lead?

3. \_\_\_\_\_

and if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question
  Answer the following questions on the lines at the right:
  \begin{parts}
    \part
    Who's buried in Grant's tomb? \answerline

    \part
    \begin{subparts}
      \subpart
      What light through yonder window breaks? \answerline

      \subpart
      To be, or not to be; that is the question? \answerline
    \end{subparts}

    \part
    What was the color of George Washington's white horse? \answerline
  \end{parts}
\end{questions}
```

then you'll get

1. Answer the following questions on the lines at the right:

(a) Who's buried in Grant's tomb?

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) i. What light through yonder window breaks?

i. \_\_\_\_\_

ii. To be, or not to be; that is the question?

ii. \_\_\_\_\_

(c) What was the color of George Washington's white horse?

(c) \_\_\_\_\_

## 7.5 Printing the answers to short answer questions

The `\answerline` command can take an optional argument so that you can have the answer to the question printed on the answer line when answers are being printed (see section 3.2). When answers are not being printed, the optional argument is ignored.

When answers are being printed, the optional argument is printed subject to the declarations in the argument of the last `\CorrectChoiceEmphasis` command (which by default is `\bfseries`; see section 5.3.3), and it is printed a distance of `\answerclearance` above the line. The default value of `\answerclearance` is set with the command

```
\setlength\answerclearance{0.2ex}
```

and it can be changed with a `\setlength` command. The optional argument is centered on the answer line unless it is longer than the line, in which case it extends to the right of the line.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{questions}
  \question Who was the fifth Beatle? \answerline[Murray the K]
  \question What is the answer to the ultimate question of life, the
  universe, and everything? \answerline[42]
\end{questions}
```

and if `\noprintanswers` (the default) is in effect, you'll get

1. Who was the fifth Beatle?

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the answer to the ultimate question of life, the universe, and everything?

2. \_\_\_\_\_

while if `\printanswers` is in effect, you'll get

1. Who was the fifth Beatle?

1. **Murray the K**

2. What is the answer to the ultimate question of life, the universe, and everything?

2. **42**

## 8 Including solutions

There are three environments for printing solutions to the problems:

The `solution` environment,  
the `solutionorlines` environment, and  
the `solutionordottedlines` environment.

If you use these environments without any optional arguments, then they are identical: They print either the solution or nothing at all. Whether or not solutions are printed is controlled by the two commands

```
\printanswers  
\noprintanswers
```

Using these commands to turn printing of solutions on and off, you can print the solutions for the entire exam or for only certain parts of it. The default is that solutions are *not* printed. There is also an `answers` option to the `exam` document class, used as in

```
\documentclass[answers]{exam}
```

that is equivalent to giving the command `\printanswers` at the beginning of the document (see section 3.2).

All of these environments can take an optional argument, which is an amount of space to be inserted when solutions are not being printed (see section 8.4). The only differences between these environments is that if this optional argument is used and solutions are not being printed, then

- the `solution` environment inserts that amount of blank space, as if you had given a `\vspace*` command (see section 7.1),
- the `solutionorlines` environment inserts that amount of space with ruled lines, as if you had given a `\fillwithlines` command (see section 7.2), and
- the `solutionordottedlines` environment inserts that amount of space with dotted lines, as if you had given a `\fillwithdottedlines` command (see section 7.3).

### 8.1 Printing the solution in a box

By default, the solution is printed inside of a box (i.e., an `\fbox`), and if the solution is broken across pages, then each piece is enclosed in a box. There is also a `\shadedolutions` command to instead have the solution printed in a `\colorbox` (i.e., printed on a shaded background); for this, you must load the `color` package and your printer must be capable of printing color, or at least grayscale (see section 8.2).

For example, if you type

```

\begin{questions}
  \question Did you mutter something?

  \begin{solution}
    Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary,
    Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore--- While I
    nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some
    one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door.  “\,’Tis some
    visitor,’’ I muttered, “tapping at my chamber door--- Only this
    and nothing more.’’
  \end{solution}
\end{questions}

```

and you’ve given the command `\printanswers` or used the document class option `answers` (see section 3.2), then you’ll get

1. Did you mutter something?

**Solution:** Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore— While I nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door. “’Tis some visitor,” I muttered, “tapping at my chamber door— Only this and nothing more.”

The result would be exactly the same if the above `solution` environment were replaced by either a `solutionorlines` or `solutionordottedlines` environment.

By default, the solution is printed in a box whose width equals that of the text of the current question (or part, or subpart, or subsubpart). That is, the indentation at the left of the solution equals the current level of indentation. You can change this by enclosing the `solution`, `solutionorlines`, or `solutionordottedlines` environment in the argument of a `\fullwidth` or `\uplevel` command (see section 6). For example, if you type

```

\begin{questions}
  \question Did you mutter something?

  \fullwidth{\begin{solution}
    Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary,
    Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore--- While I
    nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some
    one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door.  “\,’Tis some
    visitor,’’ I muttered, “tapping at my chamber door--- Only this
    and nothing more.’’
  \end{solution}

```

```
\end{solution}}
\end{questions}
```

and you've given the command `\printanswers` or used the document class option `answers`, then you'll get

1. Did you mutter something?

**Solution:** Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore— While I nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door. “ ’Tis some visitor,” I muttered, “tapping at my chamber door— Only this and nothing more.”

With all of these environments, if solutions are not being printed then the contents of the environment are ignored. If, however, you include the optional argument (see section 8.4), then the requested amount of space (blank, lined, or dotted lined) will be inserted when the solution isn't printed.

## 8.2 Printing the solution on a shaded background

If you load the `color` package with the command

```
\usepackage{color}
```

in the preamble of your document (i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command), then you can give the command

```
\shadedolutions
```

This will cause solutions to be printed on a shaded background, which by default is a light gray. (Most laser printers can at least print grayscale when printing with the correct driver.) If you want to change the color of the shading, you can do so by redefining the color `SolutionColor`. For example, if you give the command

```
\definecolor{SolutionColor}{rgb}{0.8,0.9,1}
```

then the solutions will be printed on a light blue background (assuming that your printer is capable of producing that color).

If you want to switch back to printing solutions inside of an `\fbox`, you can do so by giving the command

```
\framedsolutions
```

which returns you to the default situation.

### 8.3 Customizing the heading of the solution

The word “**Solution:**” that you see at the beginning of the solutions printed by the `solution`, `solutionorlines`, and `solutionordottedlines` environments can be changed by redefining the command `\solutiontitle`. The default value was created by the command

```
\newcommand{\solutiontitle}{\noindent\textbf{Solution:}\enspace}
```

If, for example, you give the command

```
\renewcommand{\solutiontitle}{\noindent\textbf{Solution:}\par\noindent}
```

then the `solution` environment above would print

1. Did you mutter something?

**Solution:**

Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary,  
Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore—  
While I nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping,  
As of some one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door.  
“’Tis some visitor,” I muttered, “tapping at my chamber door—  
Only this and nothing more.”

The appearance of the `solution`, `solutionorlines`, and `solutionordottedlines` environments can actually be totally customized, if you’re up to defining a L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X environment. The appearance of the solution typed into any of these environments is defined by an environment called `TheSolution`, and you can change the definition of `TheSolution` with a `\renewenvironment` command. That is, the `solution` environment decides whether the command `\printanswers` has been given and, if so, it feeds the contents of the `solution` environment into a `TheSolution` environment. (The behavior of a `solutionorlines` or `solutionordottedlines` environment is similar.) If you use `\renewenvironment` to change the definition of the `TheSolution` environment, you’ll be changing the way the solution is printed. For the default definition of the `TheSolution` environment, see the file `exam.cls`.

### 8.4 Leaving space for the answers when solutions aren’t printed

Each of the `solution`, `solutionorlines`, and `solutionordottedlines` environments takes an optional argument:

- In a `solution` environment this is an amount of blank space to be left (just as if you had used a `\vspace*` command; see section 7.1) when solutions are not being printed,
- in a `solutionorlines` environment this is an amount of lined space to be left (just as if you had used a `\fillwithlines` command; see section 7.2) when solutions are not being printed, and

- in a `solutionordottedlines` environment this is an amount of dotted lined space to be left (just as if you had used a `\fillwithdottedlines` command; see section 7.3) when solutions are not being printed.

For example, if you type

```
\begin{solution}[2in]
Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over
many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore--- While I
nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some
one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door. ‘\,’Tis some
visitor,’’ I muttered, ‘tapping at my chamber door--- Only this and
nothing more.’’
\end{solution}
```

then there will be 2 inches of blank space inserted (as if you had given the command `\vspace*{2in}`; see section 7.1) when solutions are not being printed, if you type

```
\begin{solutionorlines}[2in]
Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over
many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore--- While I
nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some
one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door. ‘\,’Tis some
visitor,’’ I muttered, ‘tapping at my chamber door--- Only this and
nothing more.’’
\end{solutionorlines}
```

then there will be 2 inches of lined space inserted (as if you had given the command `\fillwithlines{2in}`; see section 7.2) when solutions are not being printed, and if you type

```
\begin{solutionordottedlines}[2in]
Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary, Over
many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore--- While I
nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping, As of some
one gently rapping, rapping at my chamber door. ‘\,’Tis some
visitor,’’ I muttered, ‘tapping at my chamber door--- Only this and
nothing more.’’
\end{solutionorlines}
```

then there will be 2 inches of dotted lined space inserted (as if you had given the command `\fillwithdottedlines{2in}`; see section 7.3) when solutions are not being printed.

## 8.5 Changes depending on whether or not solutions are being printed

The command `\ifprintanswers` is provided in case you want to vary what appears on the exam in ways other than those provided by the solution environments (see section 8),

the `\CorrectChoice` command in multiple choice environments (see section 5.3.3), and the optional argument to the `\answerline` command (see section 7.5). You use this command by typing

```
\ifprintanswers
  Stuff to appear only when answers are being printed.
\else
  Stuff to appear only when answers are not being printed.
\fi
```

The `\else` clause is optional; you can also type

```
\ifprintanswers
  Stuff to appear only when answers are being printed.
\fi
```

If you want something printed only when answers are not being printed, you can type

```
\ifprintanswers
\else
  Stuff to appear only when answers are not being printed.
\fi
```

Since the `exam` document class automatically loads the `ifthen` package, you can accomplish the same things using the `\ifthenelse` command:

```
\ifthenelse{\boolean{printanswers}}
  {Stuff to appear only when answers are being printed.}
  {Stuff to appear only when answers are not being printed.}
```

If you use `\ifthenelse`, then both cases must be present, even if you leave one of them empty. Thus, e.g., if you want to print something only when answers are not being printed, you'd type

```
\ifthenelse{\boolean{printanswers}}
  {}
  {Stuff to appear only when answers are not being printed.}
```

## 9 Grading tables and point tables

The `exam` document class can print either

- a grading table, indexed either by question number or by page number, which lists the points possible and leaves space for you to fill in (by hand) the points earned (see section 9.1), or

- a point table, indexed either by question number or by page number, which lists the points possible but does not leave space for you to fill in the points earned (see section 9.2).

It's also possible to print either a grading table or point table to cover only part of the exam (see section 9.4).

If the exam has any bonus points (see section 5.7), then the bonus points will be ignored by the tables described in sections 9.1, 9.2, and 9.4, but it's possible to print bonus grading tables and bonus point tables that list the bonus points and ignore the non-bonus points (see section 9.7).

## 9.1 Grading tables indexed by question number or by page number

The `exam` document class can print a grading table, indexed either by question number or by page number. That is, you can print

- a table listing the question numbers (or question titles for questions created using the `\titledquestion` command instead of the `\question` command; see section 5.6) and the total points possible for each question (including all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts) and leaving space for you to fill in (by hand) the points earned on each question, or
- a table listing each page that has at least one question, part, subpart, or subsubpart with points assigned to it, the total number of points possible on that page, and leaving space for you to fill in (by hand) the points earned on that page.

In order to use this feature you must either include the optional argument `addpoints` in your `\documentclass` command (as in `\documentclass[addpoints]{exam}`) or give the command `\addpoints` (see section 3.1), and there must be only one `questions` environment in the entire exam. In addition, you must run `LATEX` twice after making any changes to the file in order to make sure that the point values are correct on a grading table indexed by question number and at least three times for a grading table indexed by page number. (Since the table appears on the third run of `LATEX`, and the space it occupies can change the page on which each question falls, it may take a fourth run of `LATEX` for the table to have the points per page correct.)

The command to create a grading table is

`\gradetable`

and it takes two optional arguments:

1. The first optional argument can be either `[v]` or `[h]`, to choose between a vertically oriented table and a horizontally oriented table, and
2. the second optional argument can be either `[questions]` or `[pages]`, to choose between a table indexed by question number and a table indexed by page number.

That is,

- `\graderable[v] [questions]` prints a vertically oriented table indexed by question number,
- `\graderable[h] [questions]` prints a horizontally oriented table indexed by question number,
- `\graderable[v] [pages]` prints a vertically oriented table indexed by page number, and
- `\graderable[h] [pages]` prints a horizontally oriented table indexed by page number.

If you leave out the optional arguments (i.e., if you give the command as “`\graderable`”) you’ll get a vertically oriented table indexed by question number.

For example, if the exam has 8 questions, each worth a total of 15 points, and you type

```
\begin{center}
  \graderable[v] [questions]
\end{center}
```

then you’ll get

| Question | Points | Score |
|----------|--------|-------|
| 1        | 15     |       |
| 2        | 15     |       |
| 3        | 15     |       |
| 4        | 15     |       |
| 5        | 15     |       |
| 6        | 15     |       |
| 7        | 15     |       |
| 8        | 15     |       |
| Total:   | 120    |       |

and if you type

```
\begin{center}
  \graderable[h] [questions]
\end{center}
```

then you’ll get

|           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |       |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Question: | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | Total |
| Points:   | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 120   |
| Score:    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |       |

The number of points listed for a question is the sum of the point values for that question and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts.

If those 8 questions are distributed two to a page on each of pages 2 through 5 and if you type

```
\begin{center}
  \gradetable[v] [pages]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

| Page   | Points | Score |
|--------|--------|-------|
| 2      | 30     |       |
| 3      | 30     |       |
| 4      | 30     |       |
| 5      | 30     |       |
| Total: | 120    |       |

and if you type

```
\begin{center}
  \gradetable[h] [pages]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

| Page:   | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | Total |
|---------|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Points: | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 120   |
| Score:  |    |    |    |    |       |

*Warning:* If you have a large number of questions on the exam, then these tables can easily become too large to fit on the page. If this becomes a problem, then you can use the `\pointsofquestion` command (see section 9.5) or the `\pointsonpage` command (see section 9.6) to create a custom `tabular` environment that has more rows (or columns) than the tables produced by the `gradingtable` command.

## 9.2 Point tables indexed by question number or by page number

Point tables are similar to grading tables (see section 9.1), except that there is no place in the table to fill in the points earned.

The command to create a point table is

`\pointtable`

and it takes two optional arguments:

1. The first optional argument can be either `[v]` or `[h]`, to choose between a vertically oriented table and a horizontally oriented table, and
2. the second optional argument can be either `[questions]` or `[pages]`, to choose between a table indexed by question number and a table indexed by page number.

That is,

- `\pointtable[v][questions]` prints a vertically oriented table indexed by question number,
- `\pointtable[h][questions]` prints a horizontally oriented table indexed by question number,
- `\pointtable[v][pages]` prints a vertically oriented table indexed by page number, and
- `\pointtable[h][pages]` prints a horizontally oriented table indexed by page number.

If you leave out the optional arguments (i.e., if you give the command as “`\pointtable`”) you’ll get a vertically oriented table indexed by question number.

For example, if the exam has 8 questions, each worth a total of 15 points, and you type

```
\begin{center}
  \pointtable[v][questions]
\end{center}
```

then you’ll get

| Question | Points |
|----------|--------|
| 1        | 15     |
| 2        | 15     |
| 3        | 15     |
| 4        | 15     |
| 5        | 15     |
| 6        | 15     |
| 7        | 15     |
| 8        | 15     |
| Total:   | 120    |

and if you type

```
\begin{center}
\pointtable[h] [questions]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

|           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |       |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Question: | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | Total |
| Points:   | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 120   |

The number of points listed for a question is the sum of the point values for that question and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts.

If those 8 questions are distributed two to a page on each of pages 2 through 5 and if you type

```
\begin{center}
\pointtable[v] [pages]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

| Page   | Points |
|--------|--------|
| 2      | 30     |
| 3      | 30     |
| 4      | 30     |
| 5      | 30     |
| Total: | 120    |

and if you type

```
\begin{center}
  \pointtable[h] [pages]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

|         |    |    |    |    |       |
|---------|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Page:   | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | Total |
| Points: | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 120   |

*Warning:* If you have a large number of questions on the exam, then these tables can easily become too large to fit on the page. If this becomes a problem, then you can use the `\pointsofquestion` command (see section 9.5) or the `\pointsonpage` command (see section 9.6) to create a custom `tabular` environment that has more rows (or columns) than the tables produced by the `pointtable` command.

### 9.3 Table entries as clickable links

If you put the command

```
\usepackage{hyperref}
```

into the preamble of your document (i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command) and then produce a pdf file (either using `dvipdf` or directly by using `pdflatex`), then

- in a grading table or point table indexed by question number the question numbers in the table will be clickable links that take you to the corresponding question, and
- in a grading table or point table indexed by page number the page numbers in the table will be clickable links that take you to the corresponding page.

If you create questions using the `\titledquestion` command instead of the `\question` command (see section 5.6), then a grading table or point table indexed by question number will show the *titles* of those questions instead of the numbers of those questions, and those question titles will be clickable links that take you to the corresponding question.

### 9.4 Partial grading tables and partial point tables

The `\partialgradetable` and `\partialpointtable` commands make it possible to create grading tables and point tables that cover only part of the exam. These commands take one required argument, the name of a grading range defined using the `\begingradingrange` and `\endgradingrange` commands, plus the same two optional arguments used in the `\gradetable` and `\pointtable` commands.

In more detail: You define a grading range by choosing a name with which to label the range, e.g., “myrange”, and then put the command

`\begingradingrange{myrange}`

at the start of the range and the command

`\endgradingrange{myrange}`

at the end of the range. To create the table, you say, e.g.,

`\partialgradetable{myrange}[v][questions]`

to create a vertically oriented table indexed by those questions that follow the command

`\begingradingrange{myrange}`

and precede the command

`\endgradingrange{myrange}`

If you say

`\partialgradetable{myrange}[v][pages]`

then you'll get a vertically oriented table indexed by all pages with points starting with the page containing the command

`\begingradingrange{myrange}`

and ending with the page containing the command

`\endgradingrange{myrange}`

The `\partialpointtable` command is similar to the `\partialgradetable` command.

## 9.5 `\pointsofquestion`

If you use the document class option `addpoints` (as in `\documentclass[addpoints]{exam}`) or give the command `\addpoints` (see section 3.1), then you can use the

`\pointsofquestion`

command. This command takes one argument, which must be the number of a question on the exam, and it prints the total number of points for that question. That is:

- `\pointsofquestion{1}` prints the sum of the point values for question 1 and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts.
- `\pointsofquestion{2}` prints the sum of the point values for question 2 and all of its parts, subparts, and subsubparts.
- Etc.

The `\pointsofquestion` command is used by the `\gradetable` and `\pointtable` commands (see section 9), and it can be used to create a table using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's `tabular` environment when the tables produced using the `\gradetable` and `\pointtable` commands either don't fit on the page or are unsuitable for some other reason. It can also be used in a `\qformat` command to list the total number of points of all parts, subparts, and subsubparts of a question on the line with the question number (see section 5.5.1).

The `\pointsofquestion` command ignores any bonus points that you may have created (see section 5.7). The `\bonuspointsofquestion` command, however, counts the bonus points (see section 9.7).

## 9.6 `\pointsonpage`

If you use the document class option `addpoints` (as in `\documentclass[addpoints]{exam}`) or give the command `\addpoints` (see section 3.1), then you can use the `\pointsonpage` command. This command takes one argument, which must be the number of a page of the exam, and it prints the total number of points for all the questions, parts, subparts, and subsubparts on that page. That is:

- `\pointsonpage{1}` prints the sum of the point values for all questions, etc., on page 1,
- `\pointsonpage{2}` prints the sum of the point values for all questions, etc., on page 2,
- Etc.

This command can be used to create a table using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's `tabular` environment when the tables produced using the `\gradetable` and `\pointtable` commands either don't fit on the page or are unsuitable for some other reason. It can also be used in headers and footers to print on each page the total number of points available on that page; for example, the command

```
\runningfooter{
  {}
  {Points earned: \makebox[1in]{\hrulefill}
   out of a possible \pointsonpage{\thepage} points}
```

(see section 11.3.1) will produce the footer

Points earned: \_\_\_\_\_ out of a possible 20 points

on all pages after the first. (For another example, see section 11.10.7)

**Caution:** The command `\pointsonpage{\thepage}` will work reliably only in headers and footers, since the command `\thepage` will work reliably only in headers and footers.

The `\pointsonpage` command ignores any bonus points that you may have created (see section 5.7). The `\bonuspointsonpage` command, however, counts the bonus points (see section 9.7).

## 9.7 Bonus grading tables and bonus point tables

If your exam contains any bonus points (see section 5.7), then those bonus points will be ignored by the grading table and point table commands described in sections 9.1, 9.2, and 9.4 and by the `\pointsofquestion` (see section 9.5) and `\pointsonpage` (see section 9.6) commands. There are, however, analogous commands that count only the bonus points and ignore the non-bonus points. These commands, and the non-bonus commands to which they correspond, are as follows:

| Bonus points                         | Non-bonus points                |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <code>\bonusgradetable</code>        | <code>\gradetable</code>        |
| <code>\bonuspointtable</code>        | <code>\pointtable</code>        |
| <code>\bonuspartialgradetable</code> | <code>\partialgradetable</code> |
| <code>\bonuspartialpointtable</code> | <code>\partialpointtable</code> |
| <code>\bonuspointsofquestion</code>  | <code>\pointsofquestion</code>  |
| <code>\bonuspointsonpage</code>      | <code>\pointsonpage</code>      |

All of the the commands in the first column count bonus points and ignore non-bonus points, while all of the commands in the second column count non-bonus points and ignore bonus points. The `\bonuspartialgradetable` and `\bonuspartialpointtable` commands use the same `\begingradingrange` and `\endgradingrange` commands that are used by the corresponding non-bonus versions (see section 9.4). Just as is described in section 9.3 for their non-bonus counterparts, if you put the command

```
\usepackage{hyperref}
```

into the preamble of your document (i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command) and then produce a pdf file (either using `dvipdf` or directly by using `pdflatex`), then

- in a bonus grading table or bonus point table indexed by question number the question numbers (or question titles, if you used `\bonustitledquestion`; see section 5.7) in the table will be clickable links that take you to the corresponding question, and
- in a bonus grading table or bonus point table indexed by page number the page numbers in the table will be clickable links that take you to the corresponding page.

For example, if the exam has 8 questions, each worth a total of 5 bonus points, and you type

```
\begin{center}
  \bonusgradetable[h] [questions]
\end{center}
```

then you'll get

|               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| Question:     | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | Total |
| Bonus Points: | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 40    |
| Score:        |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |

## 9.8 Customizing the tables

There are three ways in which you can customize the default appearance of grading tables and point tables:

- You can change the words (and the fonts) that appear in the table.
- You can change the minimum width of the blank cells into which you will write the scores.
- You can change the value of `\baselinestretch` used for the table.

For vertical non-bonus tables (i.e., tables created by `\gradetable[v]` or `\pointtable[v]`):

| Command                     | Effect                                       |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>\vqword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Question” |
| <code>\vpgword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Page”     |
| <code>\vpword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Points”   |
| <code>\vsword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Score”    |
| <code>\vtword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Total:”   |

For horizontal non-bonus tables (i.e., tables created by `\gradetable[h]` or `\pointtable[h]`):

| Command                     | Effect  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>\hqword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Question:” |
| <code>\hpgword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Page:”     |
| <code>\hpword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Points:”   |
| <code>\hsword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Score:”    |
| <code>\htword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Total”     |

For vertical bonus tables (i.e., tables created by `\bonusgradetable[v]` or `\bonuspointtable[v]`):

| Command                     | Effect   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>\bvqword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Question”     |
| <code>\bvpword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Page”         |
| <code>\bvpword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Bonus Points” |
| <code>\bvsword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Score”        |
| <code>\bvtword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Total:”       |

For horizontal bonus tables (i.e., tables created by `\bonusgradetable[h]` or `\bonuspointtable[h]`):

| Command                      | Effect  |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>\bmqword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Question:”     |
| <code>\bhpgword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Page:”         |
| <code>\bhppword{text}</code> | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Bonus Points:” |
| <code>\bhsword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Score:”        |
| <code>\bhtword{text}</code>  | substitutes <code>text</code> for “Total”         |

For all tables:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>\cellwidth{length}</code>         | changes the minimum width of the blank cells to <code>length</code> |
| <code>\gradetablestretch{number}</code> | uses <code>number</code> as the <code>\baselinestretch</code>       |

If you don't use any of these commands then you get the default values, which are defined by the commands

|                                       |                                     |                                      |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <code>\hqword{Question:}</code>       | <code>\vqword{Question}</code>      | <code>\cellwidth{2em}</code>         |
| <code>\hpgword{Page:}</code>          | <code>\vpgword{Page}</code>         | <code>\gradetablestretch{1.5}</code> |
| <code>\hpword{Points:}</code>         | <code>\vpword{Points}</code>        |                                      |
| <code>\hsword{Score:}</code>          | <code>\vsword{Score}</code>         |                                      |
| <code>\htword{Total}</code>           | <code>\vtword{Total:}</code>        |                                      |
| <code>\bhqword{Question:}</code>      | <code>\bvqword{Question}</code>     |                                      |
| <code>\bhpgword{Page:}</code>         | <code>\bvpgword{Page}</code>        |                                      |
| <code>\bhppword{Bonus Points:}</code> | <code>\bvpword{Bonus Points}</code> |                                      |
| <code>\bhsword{Score:}</code>         | <code>\bvsword{Score}</code>        |                                      |
| <code>\bhtword{Total}</code>          | <code>\bvtword{Total:}</code>       |                                      |

For example, if you type

```

\begin{center}
  \hqword{Aufgabe Nr.:}
  \hpword{Punktzahl:}
  \htword{\textbf{Summe}}
  \hsword{Davon erreicht:}
  \cellwidth{2.2em}
  \gradetable[h][questions]
\end{center}

```

then you'll get

|                 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |              |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--------------|
| Aufgabe Nr.:    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | <b>Summe</b> |
| Punktzahl:      | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 120          |
| Davon erreicht: |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |              |

## 10 Changing the page margins

The exam document class arranges things so that you get one inch margins at the top, bottom, and sides no matter what size paper you use, as long as you use the corresponding document class option (`a4paper`, `a5paper`, `b5paper`, `letterpaper`, `legalpaper`, `executivepaper`, or `landscape`). You can change the sizes of these margins by using the commands that change the size of the printed area.

To change the width of the printed area, you would use the `\extrawidth` command. The `\extrawidth` command takes one argument, and enlarges the width of the printed area by the amount of the argument. It keeps the printed area centered as it changes its width. If the argument is negative, then the width of the printed area is decreased.

For example, to enlarge the left and right margins by one half inch each, you would use the command

```
\extrawidth{-1in}
```

since the printed region must shrink by one inch to allow an additional one half inch on both sides. To decrease the left and right margins to three quarters of an inch each, you would use the command

```
\extrawidth{.5in}
```

since the printed region must grow by one half inch to decrease both margins by one quarter of an inch.

To change the height of the printed area, you must choose whether the top or the bottom of the printed area (or possibly both) should move. The commands for this are principally intended to allow additional room for large headers and footers, and so they are called `\extraheadheight` and `\extrafootheight`. For a full description of these commands, see section 11.4.

To move the top of the printed region (and any header that's present) downwards, you use the command `\extraheadheight`. This command takes one argument, and moves the top of the text and the header down by this amount (keeping the distance between the header and the text constant). Thus, to increase the top margin by three quarters of an inch, you would give the command

```
\extraheadheight{.75in}
```

To decrease the top margin by one half inch, you would give the command

```
\extraheadheight{-.5in}
```

The `\extraheadheight` command takes an optional argument to provide a top margin on the first page that's different from that on all other pages. For an explanation of this, see section 11.4.

To move the bottom of the printed region (and any footer that's present) upwards, you use the command `\extrafootheight`. This command takes one argument, and moves the bottom of the text and the footer up by this amount (keeping the distance between the footer and the text constant). Thus, to increase the bottom margin by three quarters of an inch, you would give the command

```
\extrafootheight{.75in}
```

To decrease the bottom margin by one half inch, you would give the command

```
\extrafootheight{-.5in}
```

The `\extrafootheight` command takes an optional argument to provide a bottom margin on the first page that's different from that on all other pages. For an explanation of this, see section 11.4.

## 11 Headers and footers

The following sections explain all of the technicalities of the commands that deal with headers and footers. There are a number of things to explain here, and so you may find it easier to skip this section and instead look at the examples in sections 11.10.1 through 11.10.8 (on pages 79 through 87). You can then refer back to the technical sections for the full story on whatever isn't clear from the examples. All of the commands described in this section should be given in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command.

It's also important to remember that if you use a `coverpages` environment (described in section 12), then the commands described here affect only the pages in the main section of the exam, and not the pages of the `coverpages` environment. There are commands for headers and footers in the cover pages that are analogous to the commands described in this section; for that, see section 12.1.

### 11.1 Page styles: Headers and/or footers

It's the `\pagestyle` command that determines whether the exam will have headers, footers, both, or neither. The contents of the header and footer are specified using the commands described in sections 11.2 through 11.5, but it's the `\pagestyle` command that determines whether the header and footer that you construct will actually be placed onto the page. The `\pagestyle` command should be given in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command.

To have both a header and a footer, give the command

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
```

If you want every page to have a header but no footer, give the command

```
\pagestyle{head}
```

To give every page a footer but no header, give the command

```
\pagestyle{foot}
```

Finally, to omit both the header and the footer from the page, give the command

`\pagestyle{empty}`

As is true for all L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X document classes, you can change the page style used on a single page by giving the command

`\thispagestyle{somestyle}`

somewhere on that page (where `somestyle` is the style that you want to use on that page). This is most often needed if you use the `\maketitle` command, since that command inserts a `\thispagestyle{plain}` immediately following the title. If you use the `\maketitle` command and you want the entire document to use `\pagestyle{headandfoot}`, then you'll need to put the command `\thispagestyle{headandfoot}` immediately after the `\maketitle` command to override the `\thispagestyle{plain}` that is inserted by `\maketitle`.

The default page style is `headandfoot`. That is, if you don't give any `\pagestyle` commands, then the header and footer will appear on every page. The default header is empty, and the default footer consists of "Page *n*" centered in the footer (where *n* is the page number).

## 11.2 The three parts of the header

The header is specified in three parts:

- One part to be left justified.
- One part to be centered.
- One part to be right justified.

There are two different ways in which you can specify the three parts of the header. The first uses the single command `\header` to specify all three parts of the header, or the commands `\firstpageheader` and `\runningheader` to specify a different header for the first page (see section 11.2.1). The second uses the commands `\lhead`, `\chead`, and `\rhead`, each of which takes an optional argument to specify a different header for the first page (see section 11.2.2). All of these commands should be given in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command.

### 11.2.1 Using `\header`, `\firstpageheader` and `\runningheader`

The command `\header{Text 1}{Text 2}{Text 3}` puts "Text 1" into the left justified header, "Text 2" into the centered header, and "Text 3" into the right justified header on every page. If you want the header on the first page to be different from that on the other pages, then you should use the commands `\firstpageheader` and `\runningheader`, which also take three arguments and affect either the first page or all pages except the first.

For example, to put the header

Math 115

Second Exam

July 4, 1776

on every page of the exam, you would give the command

```
\header{Math 115}{Second Exam}{July 4, 1776}
```

If you want to use a header on the first page that's different from the header used on all other pages, you would use the commands `\firstpageheader` and `\runningheader` instead of `\header`. For example, if you want the above header for the first page, but on all pages after the first you want to have the header

```
Math 115                Second Exam (Continued)                July 4, 1776
```

then you would give the commands

```
\firstpageheader{Math 115}{Second Exam}{July 4, 1776}  
\runningheader{Math 115}{Second Exam (Continued)}{July 4, 1776}
```

You can leave one or more of the three parts empty. To have the header

```
Math 115                Second Exam                July 4, 1776
```

on the first page, with the header

```
Math 115                Second Exam (Continued)
```

on all other pages, you would give the commands

```
\firstpageheader{Math 115}{Second Exam}{July 4, 1776}  
\runningheader{Math 115}{}{Second Exam (Continued)}
```

Any of the three parts of the header can have multiple lines. To specify where the line breaks should go, you just type `\\`. Thus, to have the header

```
Math 115                First Exam  
Professor Hilbert                July 4, 1776
```

appear on every page, you would give the command

```
\header{\bfseries\large Math 115\\Professor Hilbert}  
{}  
{\bfseries\large First Exam\\July 4, 1776}
```

### 11.2.2 Using `\lhead`, `\chead` and `\rhead`

The command `\lhead{Text}` puts “Text” into the left justified part of the header on every page. The command `\lhead[Text 1]{Text 2}` puts “Text 1” into the left justified header on the first page and “Text 2” into the left justified header on all other pages. The commands `\chead` and `\rhead` have similar effects on the centered and right justified parts of the header.

For example, to put the header

```
Math 115                Second Exam                July 4, 1776
```

on every page of the exam, you would give the commands



## 11.3 The three parts of the footer

The footer is composed of three parts, the whole setup being similar to that for the header (see section 11.2). There are two different ways in which you can specify the three parts of the footer. The first uses the single command `\footer` to specify all three parts of the footer, or the commands `\firstpagefooter` and `\runningfooter` to specify a different footer for the first page (see section 11.3.1). The second uses the commands `\lfoot`, `\cfoot`, and `\rfoot`, each of which takes an optional argument to specify a different footer for the first page (see section 11.3.2). All of these commands should be given in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command.

### 11.3.1 Using `\footer`, `\firstpagefooter` and `\runningfooter`

The command `\footer{Text 1}{Text 2}{Text 3}` puts “Text 1” into the left justified footer, “Text 2” into the centered footer and “Text 3” into the right justified footer on every page. If you want the footer on the first page to be different from that on the other pages, then you should use the commands `\firstpagefooter` and `\runningfooter`, which also take three arguments and affect either the first page or all pages except the first.

For example, to have an empty footer on the first page and the footer

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on all pages after the first, you would give the commands

```
\firstpagefooter{}{}{}  
\runningfooter{}{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}{}
```

(For an explanation of the `\numpages` command, see section 11.6.)

### 11.3.2 Using `\lfoot`, `\cfoot` and `\rfoot`

The command `\lfoot{Text}` puts “Text” into the left justified part of the footer on every page. The command `\lfoot[Text 1]{Text 2}` puts “Text 1” into the left justified footer on the first page and “Text 2” into the left justified footer on all other pages. The commands `\cfoot` and `\rfoot` have similar effects on the centered and right justified parts of the footer.

For example, to have an empty footer on the first page and the footer

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on all pages after the first, you would give the commands

```
\lfoot{}  
\cfoot{}  
\rfoot[] {Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
```

(For an explanation of the `\numpages` command, see section 11.6.)

## Leaving extra room for multiple line footers

See section 11.4 for a description of the `\extrafootheight` command.

## 11.4 Leaving extra room for multiple line headers and footers

### Headers

If you specify more than one or two lines for any part of the header, then you may want to move the header down slightly so that it doesn't run off of the top of the paper. The command for this is `\extraheadheight`. You can also use the `\extraheadheight` command to adjust the size of the text area. The `\extraheadheight` command never changes the distance between the header and the text.

For example, to move the header and the text an additional half inch down from the top of the page, you would give the command

```
\extraheadheight{.5in}
```

You can also specify a negative distance to `\extraheadheight` to move the header up closer to the top of the paper. For example, the command

```
\extraheadheight{-.25in}
```

moves the header one quarter inch closer to the top of the paper.

If you want to have a different value for `\extraheadheight` on the first page from that on the pages after the first, then use the same syntax as in the `\lhead`, `\chead`, and `\rhead` commands (see section 11.2.2): Include an optional argument giving the extra head height for the first page, and the required argument will apply only to those pages after the first. For example, the command

```
\extraheadheight[.5in]{.25in}
```

gives a half inch of extra head height on the first page and a quarter inch of extra head height on all pages after the first. If you say

```
\extraheadheight[.5in]{}
```

then this will be interpreted as if it was

```
\extraheadheight[.5in]{0in}
```

Note that the braces *must* appear.

If you give an `\extraheadheight` command, it should be in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command. The `\extraheadheight` command can also be used to change the size of the text region (see section 10).

## Footers

To leave extra room for multiple line footers, you use the command `\extrafootheight`. To move the footer one half inch higher up on the paper, you would give the command

```
\extrafootheight{.5in}
```

If you wanted to move the footer an eighth of an inch lower down on the paper, you would give the command

```
\extrafootheight{-.125in}
```

If you want to have a different value for `\extrafootheight` on the first page from that on the pages after the first, then use the same syntax as in the `\lfoot`, `\cfoot`, and `\rfoot` commands (see section 11.3.2): Include an optional argument giving the extra foot height for the first page, and the required argument will apply only to those pages after the first. For example, the command

```
\extrafootheight[.5in]{.25in}
```

gives a half inch of extra foot height on the first page and a quarter inch of extra foot height on all pages after the first. If you say

```
\extrafootheight[.5in]{}
```

then this will be interpreted as if it was

```
\extrafootheight[.5in]{0in}
```

Note that the braces *must* appear.

If you give an `\extrafootheight` command, it should be in the preamble, i.e., after the `\documentclass` command and before the `\begin{document}` command. The `\extrafootheight` command can also be used to change the size of the text region (see section 10).

## 11.5 Horizontal rules

The `exam` document class make it easy to put a horizontal rule under the header and one above the footer. It is also easy to do this for the pages after the first page without affecting the first page.

- The command `\runningheadrule` puts a horizontal rule below the header on all pages after the first.
- The command `\firstpageheadrule` puts a rule under the header of only the first page.
- The command `\headrule` is equivalent to the two commands `\firstpageheadrule` and `\runningheadrule`.

- The command `\runningfootrule` puts a horizontal rule above the footer on all pages after the first.
- The command `\firstpagefootrule` puts a rule above the footer of only the first page.
- The command `\footrule` is equivalent to the two commands `\firstpagefootrule` and `\runningfootrule`.

For example, to have the header

|          |            |              |
|----------|------------|--------------|
| Math 115 | First Exam | July 4, 1776 |
|----------|------------|--------------|

on the first page, with the header

|          |            |              |
|----------|------------|--------------|
| Math 115 | First Exam | July 4, 1776 |
|----------|------------|--------------|

---

on all pages after the first, give either the commands

```
\runningheadrule
\header{Math 115}{First Exam}{July 4, 1776}
```

or the commands

```
\runningheadrule
\lhead{Math 115}
\chead{First Exam}
\rhead{July 4, 1776}
```

For a description of the command `\header` see section 11.2.1; for a description of the commands `\lhead`, `\chead`, and `\rhead`, see section 11.2.2.

To have no footer on the first page, and the footer

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on all pages after the first, give the commands

```
\runningfootrule
\lfoot{}
\cfoot[] {Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
\rfoot{}
```

(see section 11.6 for an explanation of the command `\numpages`).

## 11.6 Listing the number of pages in the exam

The `exam` document class defines the command `\numpages` so that it will expand to the number of pages in the exam. Thus, to have the footer

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you should either give the command

```
\footer{}{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}{}
```

or the commands

```
\lfoot{}  
\cfoot{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}  
\rfoot{}
```

For a description of the command `\footer` see section 11.3.1; for a description of the commands `\lfoot`, `\cfoot`, and `\rfoot`, see section 11.3.2.

As with all other cross referencing commands in  $\LaTeX$ , you'll have to run the file through  $\LaTeX$  *twice* to be sure that `\numpages` is correct.

## 11.7 Treating the last page differently

If you want to vary the text that appears in the header or footer on the last page of the exam, you should use the command `\iflastpage`. The command

```
\iflastpage{Text 1}{Text 2}
```

expands to 'Text 1' on the last page and to 'Text 2' on all pages before the last. Thus, to have the footer

Please go on to the next page...

on all pages before the last page and the footer

End of exam

on the last page, you should give the command

```
\footer{}  
  {\iflastpage{End of exam}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}  
  {}
```

or the commands

```

\lfoot{}
\cfoot{\iflastpage{End of exam}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}
\rfoot{}

```

For a description of the command `\footer` see section 11.3.1; for a description of the commands `\lfoot`, `\cfoot`, and `\rfoot`, see section 11.3.2.

As with all other cross referencing commands in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, you'll have to run the file through L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X *twice* to be sure that `\iflastpage` correctly detects the last page.

## 11.8 Treating odd and even numbered pages differently

If you'd like odd and even numbered pages to be treated differently (perhaps because you'll be printing onto both sides of the paper), you should use the `\oddeven` command.

The `\oddeven` command takes two arguments. If the current page number is odd it expands to the first argument; otherwise, it expands to the second argument.

For example, to have the page number printed in the right head on odd numbered pages and in the left head on even numbered pages, you should give the command

```

\header{\oddeven}{\thepage}}%
      {}%
      {\oddeven{\thepage}{}}

```

or the commands

```

\lhead{\oddeven}{\thepage}}
\rhead{\oddeven{\thepage}{}}
\chead{}

```

If you want the footer of the even numbered pages to be empty and the footer of the odd numbered pages to contain the centered message "Please continue...", except that the last page of the exam should have an empty footer whether its page number is even or odd, then you should give the command

```

\footer{}
      {\oddeven{\iflastpage}{Please continue\ldots}}{}
      {}

```

or the commands

```

\lfoot{}
\rfoot{}
\cfoot{\oddeven{\iflastpage}{Please continue\ldots}}{}

```

(see section 11.7 for an explanation of `\iflastpage`).

The `\oddeven` command can be used reliably only in headers and footers. This is because L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X generally processes more text than can fit on the current page before it outputs a page. When the `\oddeven` command is encountered it will act as though it will appear on the current page whether it will actually be printed on that page or on the following page; in headers and footers this never creates a problem.

## 11.9 Questions that span multiple pages

The exam document class provides the commands `\ifcontinuation`, `\ContinuedQuestion`, `\ifincomplete`, and `\IncompleteQuestion` to enable headers and footers that announce whether this page is continuing a question begun on an earlier page (and, if so, the number of that question) and whether the question at the bottom of this page continues onto the next page (and, if so, the number of that question).

*These commands are only guaranteed to work in headers and footers.* If you use any of them elsewhere, they may be fooled by L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's practice of typesetting a bit too much material to fit on a page before it chooses the page break and ships out the page. They also assume that there is only one `questions` environment in the entire exam.

There is also a command `\nomorequestions` to mark the point at which the last question ends, which can be useful if you want to include supplementary material (e.g., tables or figures) at the end of the exam but you don't want that material to be described as continuing the last question.

In more detail:

- `\ifcontinuation{Text 1}{Text 2}`  
Expands to 'Text 2' if the first question, part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice that begins on this page is a question, and to 'Text 1' if it's a part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice. It also expands to 'Text 1' if no question, part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice begins on this page and we're not beyond a page with the command `\nomorequestions` or before the page with question number 1; otherwise, it expands to 'Text2'.

That is, it expands to 'Text 2' if

- this page precedes the page containing question number 1,
- this page is later than a page with the `\nomorequestions` command, or
- a question begins on this page before any part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice begins,

and otherwise it expands to 'Text 1'.

- `\ContinuedQuestion`  
If a question begun on an earlier page continues on this page, then `\ContinuedQuestion` expands to the number of that question.

That is, `\ContinuedQuestion` expands to the number of the last question begun before this page if either

- the first question, part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice that begins on this page is a part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice, or
- this page doesn't contain the beginning of any question, part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice.

- `\ifincomplete{Text 1}{Text 2}`  
Expands to `Text 1` if we have not yet encountered a `\nomorequestions` command and if the last question begun on or before this page has a part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice that begins on a later page. Otherwise, it expands to `Text 2`.
- `\IncompleteQuestion`  
If the last question begun on or before this page has a part, subpart, subsubpart, or choice that begins on a later page, then this expands to the number of that question.
- `\nomorequestions`  
No page following the page on which this command was given will be considered to continue a question from an earlier page. Thus, if you give this command after the last question is complete, then you can include extra material (e.g., tables for use on the exam) without having those pages labelled as continuing the last question on the exam.

Thus, to have the header

First Exam Page 4

on all pages that begin a new question and the header

Question 6 continues... First Exam Page 4

on all pages that continue a question begun on a previous page, you would give the commands

```
\lhead{\ifcontinuation{Question \ContinuedQuestion\ continues\ldots}{}}
\chead{First Exam}
\rhead{Page \thepage}
```

(See section 11.2.2 for an explanation of `\lhead`, `\chead` and `\rhead`.)

To have the footer

---

Question 3 continues...

on all pages that end with a question that will be continued onto the next page, the footer

---

End of Exam

on the last page, and the footer

---

Exam continues...

on all other pages, you would give the commands

```

\footrule
\lfoot{}
\newcommand\continues{\ifincomplete{\incompletemessage}{Exam continues\ldots}}
\newcommand\incompletemessage{Question \IncompleteQuestion\ continues\ldots}
\cfoot{\iflastpage{End of Exam}{\continues}}
\rfoot{}

```

(See section 11.3.2 for an explanation of `\lfoot`, `\cfoot` and `\rfoot`, and section 11.7 for an explanation of `\iflastpage`).

## 11.10 Examples

### 11.10.1 Example:

To have the header

|          |            |              |
|----------|------------|--------------|
| Math 115 | First Exam | July 4, 1776 |
|----------|------------|--------------|

on the first page, the header

|          |                         |              |
|----------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Math 115 | First Exam, Page 2 of 5 | July 4, 1776 |
|----------|-------------------------|--------------|

---

on all pages after the first, and no footer on any page, give the commands

```

\pagestyle{head}
\runningheadrule
\firstpageheader{Math 115}{First Exam}{July 4, 1776}
\runningheader{Math 115}
                {First Exam, Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
                {July 4, 1776}

```

Alternatively, you could give the commands

```

\pagestyle{head}
\runningheadrule
\lhead{Math 115}
\chead[First Exam]{First Exam, Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
\rhead{July 4, 1776}

```



### 11.10.3 Example:

To have the header

**Mathematics 115**  
**First Exam, July 4, 1776**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

on the first page, the header

**Mathematics 115**  
**First Exam, July 4, 1776**

on all pages after the first, an empty footer on the first page, and the footer

Page 2

on all pages after the first, give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\firstpageheader{\large\bfseries Mathematics 115\\
                 First Exam, July 4, 1776}
{}
{\large\bfseries Name:\enspace\makebox[2in]{\hrulefill}}
\runningheader{\large\bfseries Mathematics 115\\
               First Exam, July 4, 1776}{}{}
\firstpagefooter{}{}{}
\runningfooter{}{Page \thepage}{}
```

Alternatively, you could give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\lhead{\large\bfseries Mathematics 115\\ First Exam, July 4, 1776}
\chead{}
\rhead[\large\bfseries Name:\enspace\makebox[2in]{\hrulefill}]{}
\lfoot{}
\cfoot[] {Page \thepage}
\rfoot{}
```

#### 11.10.4 Example:

To have the header

Wellesley College  
Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993  
Mathematics 115

on the first page, the header

Wellesley College  
Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993  
Mathematics 115 (Continued)

on all pages after the first, the footer

Page 3 of 10          Please go on to the next page...

on all pages *except the last* page, and the footer

Page 10 of 10                                  End of exam.

on the last page, give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\extraheadheight{.25in}
\firstpageheader{}
    {Wellesley College\\
     Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\\
     Mathematics 115}
    {}
\runningheader{}
    {Wellesley College\\
     Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\\
     Mathematics 115 (Continued)}
    {}
\footer{}
    {Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
    {\iflastpage{End of exam.}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}
```

Alternatively, you could give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\extraheadheight{.25in}
\lhead{}
\chead[Wellesley College\\
```

```
Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\\
Mathematics 115]
{Wellesley College\\
Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\\
Mathematics 115 (Continued)}
\rhead{}
\lfoot{}
\cfoot{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
\rfoot{\iflastpage{End of exam.}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}
```

### 11.10.5 Example:

To have the header

Wellesley College  
Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993  
Mathematics 115

on the first page, the header

Mathematics 115 (Continued)

Spring, 1993

on all pages after the first, the footer

Page 3 of 10

Please go on to the next page...

on all pages *except the last* page, and the footer

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End of exam.

on the last page, give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\extraheadheight[.25in]{}
\firstpageheader{}
    {Wellesley College\
    Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\
    Mathematics 115}
    {}
\runningheader{Mathematics 115 (Continued)}{}{Spring, 1993}
\footer{}
    {Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
    {\iflastpage{End of exam.}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}
```

Alternatively, you could give the commands

```
\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\extraheadheight[.25in]{}
\lhead[] {Mathematics 115 (Continued)}
\chead[Wellesley College\
    Second Semester Final Examination, Spring 1993\
    Mathematics 115]
    {}
\rhead[] {Spring, 1993}
\lfoot{}
\cfoot{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
\rfoot{\iflastpage{End of exam.}{Please go on to the next page\ldots}}
```







```

\runningheader{\oddeven}{\continuedmessage}}
                {\oddeven{Second Exam}{Math 115}}
                {\oddeven{July 4, 1776}{}}
\footer{\oddeven}{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}}
{}
        {\oddeven{\oddrightfoot}{}}

```

Alternatively, you could give the commands

```

\pagestyle{headandfoot}
\newcommand\continuedmessage{%
  \ifcontinuation{Question \ContinuedQuestion\ continues\ldots}{}%
}
\newcommand\oddrightfoot{%
  \ifincomplete{Page \thepage\ of \numpages\
    Question \IncompleteQuestion\ continues\ldots}%
    {Page \thepage\ of \numpages}
}
\lhead[Math 115]{\oddeven}{\continuedmessage}}
\chead{\oddeven{Second Exam}{Math 115}}
\rhead{\oddeven{July 4, 1776}{}}
\lfoot{\oddeven}{Page \thepage\ of \numpages}}
\cfoot{}
\rfoot{\oddeven{\oddrightfoot}{}}

```

## 12 Cover pages

There is a `coverpages` environment that allows you to have one or more pages before page 1 of the exam. By default, there are no headers or footers printed on the cover pages, but if you put the page number into the headers and/or footers (using the commands described in section 12.1), the page numbers of cover pages are printed in roman numerals.

The `coverpages` environment must begin and end *before* the beginning of the `questions` environment. You begin the environment with the command

```
\begin{coverpages}
```

and you end it with the command

```
\end{coverpages}
```

In between those two commands you can put whatever you want, except that you are not allowed to begin the `questions` environment until you've ended the `coverpages` environment. The command `\begin{coverpages}` sets the page number to 1 and causes any page numbers printed (using the commands described in section 12.1) to appear as roman numerals. The command `\end{coverpages}` causes the current page to end, sets the page number of the following page to 1, and changes page numbering back to arabic numerals.

## 12.1 Headers and footers

By default, the headers and footers on the cover pages are empty. If you'd like to have headers and/or footers on the cover pages, there are commands to create them that are completely analogous to the commands described in section 11 for headers and footers in the main part of the document. The commands for headers and footers in cover pages and the corresponding commands for the main exam pages are:

| Cover Pages Commands               | Main Pages Commands           |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>\coverheader</code>          | <code>\header</code>          |
| <code>\coverrunningheader</code>   | <code>\runningheader</code>   |
| <code>\coverfirstpageheader</code> | <code>\firstpageheader</code> |
| <code>\coverlhead</code>           | <code>\lhead</code>           |
| <code>\coverchead</code>           | <code>\chead</code>           |
| <code>\coverrhead</code>           | <code>\rhead</code>           |
| <code>\coverfooter</code>          | <code>\footer</code>          |
| <code>\coverrunningfooter</code>   | <code>\runningheader</code>   |
| <code>\coverfirstpagefooter</code> | <code>\firstpageheader</code> |
| <code>\coverlfoot</code>           | <code>\lfoot</code>           |
| <code>\covercfoot</code>           | <code>\cfoot</code>           |
| <code>\coverrfoot</code>           | <code>\rfoot</code>           |
| <code>\coverextraheadheight</code> | <code>\extraheadheight</code> |
| <code>\coverextrafootheight</code> | <code>\extrafootheight</code> |

The commands `\coverlhead`, `\coverchead`, `\coverrhead`, `\coverlfoot`, `\covercfoot`, `\coverrfoot`, `\coverextraheadheight`, and `\coverextrafootheight` all take the same optional arguments (for special treatment of page number 1) as the corresponding commands for the main pages. For an explanation of these commands, see section 11.