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A LaTeX package to attach line numbers to paragraphs

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`https://github.com/latex-lineno/lineno`

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1 Introductions

(New v4.00) Parts of former first section have been rendered separate subsections for package version v4.00. (/New v4.00)

1.1 Introduction to versions v < 4

This package provides line numbers on paragraphs. After TEX has broken a paragraph into lines there will be line numbers attached to them, with the possibility to make references through the LATEX `\ref`, `\pageref` cross reference mechanism. This includes four issues:

- attach a line number on each line,
- create references to a line number,
- control line numbering mode,
- count the lines and print the numbers.

The first two points are implemented through patches to the output routine. The third by redefining `\par`, `\@par` and `\@@par`. The counting is easy, as long as you want the line numbers run through the text. If they shall start over at the top of each page, the aux-file as well as TEXs memory have to carry a load for each counted line.

I wrote this package for my wife Petra, who needs it for transcriptions of interviews. This allows her to precisely refer to passages in the text. It works well together with `\marginpar`s, but not too well with displaymath. `\footnote`s are a problem, especially when they are split, but we may get there. (New v4.00 UL) Version v4.00 overcomes the problem, I believe. (/UL /New v4.00)

lineno.sty works surprisingly well with other packages, for example, `wrapfig.sty`. So please try if it works with whatever you need, and if it does, please tell me, and if it does not, tell me as well, so I can try to fix it.

1.2 Introduction to versions v4.00ff. (UL)

`lineno.sty` has been maintained by Stephan until version v3.14. From version v4.00 onwards, maintenance is shifting towards Uwe Lück (UL), who is the author of v4. . . code and of v4. . . changes in documentation. This came about as follows.

Since late 2002, Christian Tapp and Uwe Lück have employed `lineno.sty` for their `ednotes.sty`, a package supporting critical editions, while you find `ednotes.sty` and surrounding files in CTAN folder /macros/latex/contrib/ednotes.

Soon, some weaknesses of `lineno.sty` showed up, mainly since Christian's critical editions (using `ednotes.sty`) needed lots of `\linelabel`s and footnotes. (These weaknesses are due to weaknesses of LATEX's `\marginpar`

mechanism that Stephan used for `\linelabel`.) So we changed some `lineno.sty` definitions in some extra files, which moreover offered new features. We sent these files to Stephan, hoping he would take the changes into `lineno.sty`. However, he was too short of time.

Writing a TUGboat article on Ednotes in 2004, we hoped to reduce the number of files in the Ednotes bundle and so asked Stephan again. Now he generously offered maintenance to me, so I could execute the changes on my own.

The improvements are as follows:

(i) Footnotes placement approaches intentions better (footnotes formerly liked to pile up at late pages).

(ii) The number of `\linelabel`s in one paragraph is no longer limited to 18.

(iii) `\pagebreak`, `\nopagebreak`, `\vspace`, and the star and optional versions of `\\` work as one would expect (section 8).

(iv) A command is offered which chooses the first line number to be printed in the margin (subsection 5.5).

(v) (New v4.1) LaTeX tabular environments (optionally) get line numbers as well, and you can refer to them in the usual automatic way. (It may be considered a shortcoming that, precisely, *rows* are numbered, not lines.—See subsection 6.3.)

(vi) We are moving towards referring to math items (subsection 6.2 and the hooks in subsection 4.2). (/New v4.1)

(Thanks to Stephan for making this possible!)

Ednotes moreover profits from Stephan's offer with regard to the documentation of our code which yielded these improvements formerly. This documentation now becomes printable, being part of the `lineno.sty` documentation.

Of course, Stephan's previous `lineno.sty` versions were a great and ingenious work and exhibit greatest TeXpertise. I never could have done this. I learnt a lot in studying the code when Christian pointed out strange output results and error messages, and there are still large portions of `lineno.sty` which I don't understand (consider only pagewise numbering of lines). Fortunately, Stephan has offered future help if needed.—My code for attaching line numbers to *tabular environments* (as mentioned above,

now still in `edtable.sty`) developed from macros which Stephan and Christian experimented with in December 2002. Stephan built the basics. (However, I then became too proud to follow his advice only to use and modify `longtable.sty`.)

There are some issues concerning use of counters on which I don't agree with Stephan and where I would like to change the code if `lineno.sty` is "mine" as Stephan offered. However, Stephan is afraid of compatibility problems from which, in particular, his wife could suffer in the near future. So he demanded that I change as little as possible for my first version. Instead of executing changes that I plan I just offer my opinions at the single occasions. I hope to get in touch this way with users who consider subtle features vital which I consider strange.

On the other hand, the sections on improvements of the implementation have been blown up very much and may be tiring and litte understandable for mere *users*. These users may profit from the present presentation just by jumping to sections 6 and 10. There is a user's guide ulineno.tex which may be even more helpful, but it has not been updated for a while.

1.3 Availability

In case you have found the present file otherwise than from CTAN: A recent version and documentation of this package should be available from CTAN folder /macros/latex/contrib/lineno. Or mail to one of the addresses at top of file.

1.4 Introductory code

This style option is written for LaTeX 2_ε, November 1994 or later, since we need the `\protected@write` macro.

(New v4.00) And we use `\newcommand*` for controlling length of user macro arguments, which has been available since December 1994. (/New v4.00)

```
\NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}[1994/12/01]
\ProvidesPackage{lineno}
  [\filedate\space line numbers on paragraphs \fileversion]
\RequirePackage{etoolbox}
\RequirePackage{kvoptions}
```

2 Put the line numbers to the lines

(New v4.00) This section contained the most basic package code previously. For various purposes of version 4..., much of these basics have been to be modified. Much of my (UL's) reasoning on these modifications has been to be reported. Sorry, the present section has been blown up awfully thus and contains ramifications that may be difficult to trace. We add some `\subsection` commands in order to cope with the new situation. (/New v4.00)

2.1 Basic code of `lineno.sty \output`

The line numbers have to be attached by the output routine. We simply set the `\interlinepenalty` to −100000. The output routine will be called after each line in the paragraph, except the last, where we trigger by `\par`. The `\linenopenalty` is small enough to compensate a bunch of penalties (e.g., with `\samepage`).

(New v3.04) Longtable uses `\penalty`−30000. The lineno penalty range was shrunk to −188000 ... − 32000. (/New v3.04) (New v4.00) New values are listed below (11111f.). (/New v4.00)

```
\newcount\linenopenalty\linenopenalty=-100000
```

(UL) Hm. It is never needed below that this is a counter. `\def\linenopenalty{-100000\relax}` would do. (I guess this consumes more memory, but it is more important to save counters than to save memory.) I was frightened by `-\linenopenalty` below, but indeed TEX interprets the string `--100000` as 100000. Has any user or extension package writer ever called `\linenopenalty=xxx`, or could I really change this?—The counter is somewhat faster than the macro. Together with the compatibility question this seems to support keeping the counter. (???) (/UL)

```
\mathchardef\linenopenaltypar=32000
```

So let's make a hook to `\output`, the direct way. The LATEX macro `\@reinserts` puts the footnotes back on the page.

(New v3.01) `\@reinserts` badly screws up split footnotes. The bottom part is still on the recent contributions list, and the top part will be put back there after the bottom part. Thus, since lineno.sty does not play well with `\inserts` anyway, we can safely experiment with `\holdinginserts`, without making things much worse.

Or that's what I thought, but: Just activating `\holdinginserts` while doing the `\par` will not do the trick: The `\output` routine may be called for a real page break before all line numbers are done, and how can we get control over `\holdinginserts` at that point?

Let's try this: When the `\output` routine is run with `\holdinginserts=3` for a real page break, then we reset `\holdinginserts` and restart `\output`.

Then, again, how do we keep the remaining `\inserts` while doing further line numbers?

If we find `\holdinginserts`$=-3$ we activate it again after doing `\output`. (/New v3.01)

(New v3.02) To work with multicol.sty, the original output routine is now called indirectly, instead of being replaced. When multicol.sty changes `\output`, it is a toks register, not the real thing. (/New v3.02)

(New v4.00) Two further complications are added.

(i) Problems with footnotes formerly resulted from LaTeX's `\@reinserts` in `\@specialoutput` which Stephan's `\linelabel` called via the `\marginpar` mechanism.

(ii) LaTeX commands using `\vadjust` formerly didn't work as one would have hoped. The problem is as follows: Printing the line number results from a box that the output routine inserts at the place of the `\interlinepenalty`. `\vadjust` items appear *above* the `\interlinepenalty` (TeXbook p. 105). So `\pagebreak`, e.g., formerly sent the line number to the next page, while the penalty from `\nopagebreak` could not tie the following line, since it was screened off by the line number box.—Our trick is putting the `\vadjust` items into a list macro from which the output routine transfers them into the vertical list, below the line number box.

In this case (ii), like in case (i), footnotes would suffer if `\holdinginserts` were non-positive. Indeed, in both cases (i) and (ii) we tackle the footnote problem by extending that part of Stephan's output routine that is active when `\holdinginserts` is positive. This extension writes the line number `\newlabel` to the .aux file (which was formerly done under `\holdinginserts` $= -3$) and handles the `\vadjust` items.—To trigger `\output` and its `\linelabel` or, resp., `\vadjust` part, the list of signal penalties started immediately before is increased here (first for `\linelabel`, second for postponed `\vadjust` items):

```
\mathchardef\@Mllbcodepen=11111
\mathchardef\@Mppvacodepen=11112
```

(/New v4.00) (New v4.2) David Kastrup urges to use a private name instead of `\the\output` (LaTeX-L-list). Otherwise an `\output` routine loaded later and using `\newtoks\output` again may get lost entirely. So we change use of `\@LN@output`, using it for the former purpose. Reference to what appeared with the name of `\output` here lasts for a few lines and then is given away.

```
\let\@tempa\output
\newtoks\output
\let\@LN@output\output
\output=\expandafter{\the\@tempa}
```

Now we add two cases to Stephan's output routine. (New v4.00)

```
\@tempa={%
```

(/New 4.2)

```
            \LineNoTest
            \if@tempswa
```

(New v4.00) We insert recognition of waiting `\linelabel` items—

```
              \ifnum\outputpenalty=-\@Mllbcodepen
                \WriteLineNo
```

—and of waiting `\vadjust` items:

```
              \else
                \ifnum\outputpenalty=-\@Mppvacodepen
                  \PassVadjustList
                \else
```

(/New v4.00) (New v4.2) Outsource "Standard" output —which occurs so rarely—to subsection 2.3:

```
                  \LineNoLaTeXOutput
```

(/New v4.2) (New v4.00) Two new `\fi`s for the `\linelabel` and `\vadjust` tests—

```
                \fi
              \fi
```

—and the remaining is Stephan's code again: (/New v4.00)

```
            \else
              \MakeLineNo
            \fi
            }
```

(New v4.00) Our new macros `\WriteLineNo` and `\PassVadjustList` will be dealt with in sections 4 and 8.1. (/New v4.00)

2.2 \LineNoTest

The float mechanism inserts \interlinepenaltys during \output. So carefully reset it before going on. Else we get doubled line numbers on every float placed in horizontal mode, e.g, from \linelabel.

Sorry, neither a \linelabel nor a \marginpar should insert a penalty, else the following line number could go to the next page. Nor should any other float. So let us suppress the \interlinepenalty altogether with the \@nobreak switch.

Since (ltspace.dtx, v1.2p)[1996/07/26], the \@nobreaktrue does it's job globally. We need to do it locally here.

```
\def\LineNoTest{%
  \let\@@par\@@@par
  \ifnum\interlinepenalty<-\linenopenaltypar
     \advance\interlinepenalty-\linenopenalty
     \@LN@nobreaktrue
     \fi
  \@tempswatrue
  \ifnum\outputpenalty>-\linenopenaltypar\else
     \ifnum\outputpenalty>-188000\relax
       \@tempswafalse
       \fi
     \fi
  }

\def\@LN@nobreaktrue{\let\if@nobreak\iftrue} % renamed v4.33
```

(UL) I thought here were another case of the save stack problem explained in TEXbook, p. 301, namely through both local and global changing \if@nobreak. However, \@LN@nobreak is called during \@LN@output only, while \@nobreaktrue is called by LATEX's \@startsection only. The latter never happens during \@LN@output. So there is no local value of \if@nobreak on save stack when \@nobreaktrue acts, since \the\@LN@output (where \@LN@output is a new name for the original \output) is executed within a group (TEXbook p. 21). (/UL)

2.3 Other output routines (v4.2)

I had thought of dealing with bad interference of footnotes (and \enlargethispage) with (real) \marginpars and floats *here*. Yet this is done in

http://[CTAN]/macros/latex/contrib/tamefloats/tameflts.sty

now, and I prefer striving for compatibility with the latter. (See there for expanding on the problem.) This requires returning the special absolute value of `\holdinginserts` that `lineno.sty` finds at the end of a newly typeset paragraph—now done in subsection 3.1 (`\linenumberpar`). The former `\LineNoHoldInsertsTest` has been filled into here. Note: when the following code is invoked, we have `\if@tempswa` = `\iftrue`. WARNING: I am still not sure whether the present code is good for cooperating with other packages that use `\holdinginserts`.

```
\def\LineNoLaTeXOutput{%
  \ifnum \holdinginserts=\thr@@   % v4.33 without \@tempswafalse
    \global\holdinginserts-\thr@@
    \unvbox\@cclv
    \ifnum \outputpenalty=\@M \else \penalty\outputpenalty \fi
  \else
    \if@twocolumn \let\@makecol\@LN@makecol \fi
    \the\@LN@output % finally following David Kastrup's advice.
    \ifnum \holdinginserts=-\thr@@
      \global\holdinserts\thr@@ \fi
  \fi
}
```

More on dealing with output routines from other packages: Since `lineno.sty`'s output routine is called at least once for each output line, I think it should be in TEX's original `\output`, while output routines dealing with building pages and with floats etc. should be filled into registers addressed by `\output` after `\newtoks\output`. Therefore

1. `tameflts.sty` should be loaded *after* `lineno.sty`;
2. if a class changes `\output` (APS journal class revtex4, e.g.), `lineno.sty` should be loaded by `\RequirePackage` [here presumably following some options in brackets]`{lineno}` *preceding* `\documentclass`.
3. If you actually maintain such a class, please consider loading `lineno.sty` on some draft option. The bunch of lineno's package options may be a problem, but perhaps the purpose of your class is offering only very few of lineno's options anyway, maybe just one.

The latter may also be needed with classes that don't follow David Kastrup's rule on changing `\output`.

2.4 \MakeLineNo: Actually attach line number

We have to return all the page to the current page, and add a box with the line number, without adding breakpoints, glue or space. The depth of our line number should be equal to the previous depth of the page, in case the page breaks here, and the box has to be moved up by that depth.

The `\interlinepenalty` comes after the `\vadjust` from a `\linelabel`, so we increment the line number *after* printing it. The macro `\makeLineNumber` produces the text of the line number, see section 5.

(UL) I needed a while to understand the sentence on incrementing. Correctly: writing the `\newlabel` to the .aux file is triggered by the signal penalty that `\end@float` inserts via `\vadjust`. However, this could be changed by our new `\PostponeVadjust`. After `\c@linenumber` has been introduced as a LaTeX counter, it might be preferable that it behaved like standard LaTeX counters which are incremented shortly before printing. But this may be of little practical relevance in this case, as `\c@linenumber` is driven in a very non-standard way.—However still, this behaviour of `\c@linenumber` generates a problem with our `edtable.sty`. (/UL).

Finally we put in the natural `\interlinepenalty`, except after the last line.

(New v3.10) Frank Mittelbach points out that box255 may be less deep than the last box inside, so he proposes to measure the page depth with `\boxmaxdepth=\maxdimen`. (/New v3.10)

(UL, New v4.00) We also resume the matter of `\vadjust` items that was started in section 2.1.

TeX puts only nonzero interline penalties into the vertical list (TeXbook p. 105), while `lineno.sty` formerly replaced the signal interline penalty by something closing with an explicit penalty of the value that the interline penalty would have without `lineno.sty`. This is usually 0. Now, explicit vertical penalties can be very nasty with respect to `\nopagebreak`, e.g., a low (even positive) `\widowpenalty` may force a widow where you explicitly tried to forbid it by `\nopagebreak` (see explanation soon below). The `\nopagebreak` we create here would never work if all those zero penalties were present.—On the other hand, we cannot just omit Stephan's zero penalties, because TeX puts a penalty of 10000 after what `lineno.sty` inserts (TeXbook p. 125). This penalty must be overridden to allow page breaks between ordinary lines. To revive `\nopagebreak`, we therefore replace those zero (or low) penalties by penalties that the user demanded by `\nopagebreak`.—This mechanism is not perfect and does not exactly restore the original LaTeX working of `\pagebreak` and `\nopagebreak`. Viz., if there are several vertical penalties after a line which were produced by closely

sitting `\[no]pagebreak`s, without `lineno.sty` the lowest penalty would be effective (cf. TEXbook exercise 14.10). Our mechanism, by contrast, chooses the *last* user-set penalty of the line as the effective one. It would not be very difficult to come more close to the original mechanism, but until someone urges us we will cling to the present simple way. You may consider an advantage of the difference between our mechanism and the original one that the user here can actually override low penalties by `\nopagebreak`, which may be what a lay LATEX user would expect. (/UL, /New v4.00)

```
\def\MakeLineNo{%
   \@LN@maybe@normalLineNumber                          % v4.31
   \boxmaxdepth\maxdimen\setbox\z@\vbox{\unvbox\@cclv}%
   \@tempdima\dp\z@ \unvbox\z@
   \sbox\@tempboxa{\hb@xt@\z@{\makeLineNumber}}%
```

(New v4.00) Previously,

```
%    \stepcounter{linenumber}%
```

followed. (Of course, there was no comment mark; I put it there to make reading the actual code easy.)

(New v4.22: improved) Why not just

`\global\advance\c@linenumber\@ne`?

`\stepcounter` additionally resets "subordinate" counters, but which could these (usefully) be? Again, may be column counters with `edtable.sty`!?

But then, our `edtable.sty` and its `longtable` option should use it as well. So use a shorthand supporting uniformity. You can even use it as a hook for choosing `\global\advance\c@linenumber\@ne` instead of our choice. (/New v4.22)

```
   \stepLineNumber
```

(New v4.4) Now

```
   \ht\@tempboxa\z@ \@LN@depthbox
```

appends the box containing the line number without changing `\prevdepth`—see end of section. Now is the time for inserting the ... (/New v4.4) `\vadjust` items. We cannot do this much later, because their right place is above the artificial interline penalty which Stephan's code will soon insert (cf. TEXbook p. 105). The next command is just `\relax` if no `\vadjust` items have been accumulated for the current line. Otherwise it is a list macro inserting the `\vadjust` items and finally resetting itself. (This is made in section 8.1 below.) If the final item is a penalty, it is stored so it can compete with other things about page breaking.

```
    \@LN@do@vadjusts
    \count@\lastpenalty
```

At this place,

```
%     \ifnum\outputpenalty=-\linenopenaltypar\else
```

originally followed. We need something *before* the `\else`:

```
    \ifnum\outputpenalty=-\linenopenaltypar
      \ifnum\count@=\z@ \else
```

So final `\pagebreak[0]` or `\nopagebreak[0]` has no effect—but this will make a difference after headings only, where nobody should place such a thing anyway.

```
        \xdef\@LN@parpgbrk{%
          \penalty\the\count@
          \global\let\noexpand\@LN@parpgbrk
                       \noexpand\@LN@screenoff@pen}% v4.4
```

That penalty will replace former `\kern\z@` in `\linenumberpar`, see subsection 3.1.—A few days earlier, I tried to send just a penalty value. However, the `\kern\z@` in `\linenumberpar` is crucial, as I then found out. See below.—The final penalty is repeated, but this does no harm. (It would not be very difficult to avoid the repeating, but it may even be less efficient.) It may be repeated due to the previous `\xdef`, but it may be repeated as well below in the present macro where artificial interline penalty is to be overridden.

```
      \fi
    \else
```

(/New v4.00)

```
      \@tempcnta\outputpenalty
      \advance\@tempcnta -\linenopenalty
```

(New v4.00)

```
%         \penalty\@tempcnta
```

followed previously. To give `\nopagebreak` a chance, we do

```
      \penalty \ifnum\count@<\@tempcnta \@tempcnta \else \count@ \fi
```

instead.—In `linenox0.sty`, the `\else` thing once was omitted. Sergei Mariev's complaint (thanks!) showed that it is vital (see comment before `\MakeLineNo`). The remaining `\fi` from previous package version closes the `\ifnum\outputpenalty`... (/New v4.00)

```
  \fi
  }
```

(New v4.00)

```
\newcommand\stepLineNumber{\stepcounter{linenumber}}
```

For reason, see use above. (/New v4.00)

(New v4.4) The depth preserving trick is drawn here from `\MakeLineNo` because it will be used again in section 3.1. (v5.3) Handle special value of `\prevdepth=-1000pt`. (/v5.3)

```
\def\@LN@depthbox{%
  \ifdim\@tempdima=-1000pt
  % \nointerlineskip is already set so we don't need set it again
  % (and we shouldn't back up)
  \else
    \dp\@tempboxa=\@tempdima
    \nointerlineskip
    \kern-\@tempdima
  \fi
  \box\@tempboxa}
```

(/New v4.4)

3 Control line numbering

3.1 Inserting `\output` calls

The line numbering is controlled via `\par`. LaTeX saved the TeX-primitive `\par` in `\@@par`. We push it one level further out, and redefine `\@@par` to insert the `\interlinepenalty` needed to trigger the line numbering. And we need to allow pagebreaks after a paragraph.

New (2.05beta): the prevgraf test. A paragraph that ends with a displayed equation, a `\noindent\par` or `wrapfig.sty` produce empty paragraphs. These should not get a spurious line number via `\linenopenaltypar`.

```
\let\@@@par\@@par
\newcount\linenoprevgraf
```

(UL) And needs `\linenoprevgraf` to be a counter? Perhaps there may be a paragraph having thousands of lines, so `\mathchardef` doesn't suffice (really??). A macro ending on `\relax` might suffice, but would be somewhat slow. I think I will use `\mathchardef` next time. Or has any user used `\linenoprevgraf`? (/UL)

```
\def\linenumberpar{%
  \ifvmode \@@@par \else
    \ifinner \@@@par \else
      \xdef\@LN@outer@holdins{\the\holdinginserts}% v4.2
      \advance \interlinepenalty \linenopenalty
      \linenoprevgraf \prevgraf
      \global \holdinginserts \thr@@
      \@@@par
      \ifnum\prevgraf>\linenoprevgraf
        \penalty-\linenopenaltypar
      \fi
```

(New v4.00)

```
%           \kern\z@
```

was here previously. What for? According to TEXbook p. 125, Stephan's interline penalty is changed into 10000. At the end of a paragraph, the `\parskip` would follow that penalty of 10000, so there could be a page break neither at the `\parskip` nor at the `\baselineskip` (TEXbook p. 110)—so there could never be a page break between two paragraphs. So something must screen off the 10000 penalty. Indeed, the `\kern` is a place to break. (Stephan once knew this: see 'allow pagebreaks' above.)

Formerly, I tried to replace `\kern\z@` by

```
%           \penalty\@LN@parpgpen\relax
```

—but this allows a page break after heading. So:

```
      \@LN@parpgbrk
```

These and similar changes were formerly done by `linenox1.sty`. (/New v4.00)

(New v4.4) A `\belowdisplayskip` may precede the previous when the paragraph ends on a display-math; or there may be a `\topsep` from a list, etc. `\addvspace` couldn't take account for it with `\kern\z@` here. v4.32 therefore moved the space down – with at least two bad consequences. Moreover, David Josef Dev observes that `\kern\z@` may inappropriately yield column depth 0pt. For these reasons, we introduce `\@LN@screenoff@pen` below. (/New v4.4)

```
      \global\holdinginserts\@LN@outer@holdins % v4.2
      \advance\interlinepenalty -\linenopenalty
    \fi     % from \ifinner ... \else
  \fi}      % from \ifvmode ... \else
```

(New v4.00, v4.4) Initialize `\@LN@parpgbrk`, accounting for earlier space and for appropriate columndepth. We use former `\MakeLineNo`'s depth-preverving trick `\@LN@depthbox` again:

```
\def\@LN@screenoff@pen{%
  \ifdim\lastskip=\z@
    \@tempdima\prevdepth \setbox\@tempboxa\null
    \@LN@depthbox                              \fi}

\global\let\@LN@parpgbrk\@LN@screenoff@pen
```

(/New v4.4, v4.00)

3.2 Turning on/off

The basic commands to enable and disable line numbers. `\@par` and `\par` are only touched, when they are `\let` to `\@@@par`/`\linenumberpar`. The line number may be reset to 1 with the star-form, or set by an optional argument `[`⟨*number*⟩`]`.

(New v4.00) We add `\ifLineNumbers` etc. since a number of our new adjustments need to know whether linenumbering is active. This just provides a kind of shorthand for `\ifx\@@par\linenumberpar`; moreover it is more stable: who knows what may happen to `\@@par`?—A caveat: `\ifLineNumbers` may be wrong. E.g., it may be `\iffalse` where it acts, while a `\linenumbers` a few lines below—in the same paragraph—brings about that the line where the `\ifLineNumbers` appears gets a marginal number. (New v4.3) Just noticed: Such tricks have been disallowed with v4.11, see subsections 4.2 and 3.2.—Moreover, the switching between meanings of `\linelabel` for a possible error message as of v4.11 is removed. Speed is difficult to esteem and also depends on applications. Just use the most simple code you find. (/New v4.3)

```
\newif\ifLineNumbers \LineNumbersfalse
```

(/New v4.00)

```
\def\linenumbers{%
     \LineNumberstrue                              % v4.00
     \xdef\@LN@outer@holdins{\the\holdinginserts}% v4.3
```

(New v4.3) The previous line is for `{linenomath}` in a first numbered paragraph. (/New v4.3)

```
    \let\@@par\linenumberpar
%      \let\linelabel\@LN@linelabel % v4.11, removed v4.3
    \ifx\@par\@@@par\let\@par\linenumberpar\fi
    \ifx\par\@@@par\let\par\linenumberpar\fi
    \@LN@maybe@moduloresume         % v4.31
    \@ifnextchar[{\resetlinenumber}%]
                {\@ifstar{\resetlinenumber}{}}%
    }

\def\nolinenumbers{%
  \LineNumbersfalse                              % v4.00
  \let\@@par\@@@par
%   \let\linelabel\@LN@LLerror      % v4.11, removed v4.3
  \ifx\@par\linenumberpar\let\@par\@@@par\fi
  \ifx\par\linenumberpar\let\par\@@@par\fi
  }
```

(New v4.00) Moreover, it is useful to switch to `\nolinenumbers` in `\@arrayparboxrestore`. We postpone this to section 8.2 where we'll have an appending macro for doing this. (/New v4.00)

What happens with a display math? Since `\par` is not executed, when breaking the lines before a display, they will not get line numbers. Sorry, but I do not dare to change `\interlinepenalty` globally, nor do I want to redefine the display math environments here.

display math

See the subsection below, for a wrapper environment to make it work. But that requires to wrap each and every display in your LaTeX source (see option `displaymath` in subsections 6.4 and 7.1 for some relief [UL]).

The next two commands are provided to turn on line numbering in a specific mode. Please note the difference: for pagewise numbering, `\linenumbers` comes first to inhibit it from seeing optional arguments, since re-/presetting the counter is useless.

```
\def\pagewiselinenumbers{\linenumbers\setpagewiselinenumbers}
\def\runninglinenumbers{\setrunninglinenumbers\linenumbers}
```

Finally, it is a LaTeX style, so we provide for the use of environments, including the suppression of the following paragraph's indentation.

(UL) I am drawing the following private thoughts of Stephan's to publicity so that others may think about them—or to remind myself of them in an efficient way. (/UL)

```
% TO DO: add \par to \linenumbers, if called from an environment.
% To DO: add an \@endpe hack if \linenumbers are turned on
%        in horizontal mode. {\par\parskip\z@\noindent} or
%        something.
```

(UL) However, I rather think that `\linenumbers` and `\nolinenumbers` should execute a `\par` already. (Then the `\par`s in the following definitions should be removed.) (/UL)

```
\@namedef{linenumbers*}{\par\linenumbers*}
\@namedef{runninglinenumbers*}{\par\runninglinenumbers*}

\def\endlinenumbers{\par\@endpetrue}
\let\endrunninglinenumbers\endlinenumbers
\let\endpagewiselinenumbers\endlinenumbers
\expandafter\let\csname endlinenumbers*\endcsname\endlinenumbers
\expandafter\let\csname endrunninglinenumbers*\endcsname\endlinenumbers
\let\endnolinenumbers\endlinenumbers
```

3.3 Display math

Now we tackle the problem to get display math working. There are different options.

1. Precede every display math with a `\par`. Not too good.
2. Change `\interlinepenalty` and associates globally. Unstable.
3. Wrap each display math with a `{linenomath}` environment.

We'll go for option 3. See if it works:

$$display\ math \tag{1}$$

The star form `{linenomath*}` should also number the lines of the display itself,

$$multi \qquad line \tag{2}$$

$$display \qquad math \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} with \\ array \end{array} \tag{4}$$

including multline displays.

First, here are two macros to turn on linenumbering on paragraphs preceeding displays, with numbering the lines of the display itself, or without.

The `\ifx..` tests if line numbering is turned on. It does not harm to add these wrappers in sections that are not numbered. Nor does it harm to wrap a display twice, e.q, in case you have some `{equation}`s wrapped explicitely, and later you redefine `\equation` to do it automatically.

(New v4.3) To avoid the spurious line number above a display in vmode, I insert `\ifhmode`. (/New v4.3)

```
\newcommand\linenomathNonumbers{%
  \ifLineNumbers
    \ifnum\interlinepenalty>-\linenopenaltypar
      \global\holdinginserts\thr@@
      \advance\interlinepenalty \linenopenalty
     \ifhmode                                  % v4.3
      \advance\predisplaypenalty \linenopenalty
     \fi
    \fi
  \fi
  \ignorespaces
  }

\newcommand\linenomathWithnumbers{%
  \ifLineNumbers
    \ifnum\interlinepenalty>-\linenopenaltypar
      \global\holdinginserts\thr@@
      \advance\interlinepenalty \linenopenalty
     \ifhmode                                  % v4.3
      \advance\predisplaypenalty \linenopenalty
     \fi
      \advance\postdisplaypenalty \linenopenalty
      \advance\interdisplaylinepenalty \linenopenalty
    \fi
  \fi
  \ignorespaces
  }
```

The `{linenomath}` environment has two forms, with and without a star. The following two macros define the environment, where the stared/non-stared form does/doesn't number the lines of the display or vice versa.

```
\newcommand\linenumberdisplaymath{%
  \def\linenomath{\linenomathWithnumbers}%
  \@namedef{linenomath*}{\linenomathNonumbers}%
  }

\newcommand\nolinenumberdisplaymath{%
  \def\linenomath{\linenomathNonumbers}%
  \@namedef{linenomath*}{\linenomathWithnumbers}%
```

```
  }

\def\endlinenomath{%
  \ifLineNumbers                              % v4.3
   \global\holdinginserts\@LN@outer@holdins % v4.21
  \fi
   \global % v4.21 support for LaTeX2e earlier than 1996/07/26.
   \@ignoretrue
}
\expandafter\let\csname endlinenomath*\endcsname\endlinenomath
```

The default is not to number the lines of a display. But the package option `mathlines` may be used to switch that behavior.

```
\nolinenumberdisplaymath
```

4 Line number references

4.1 Internals

The only way to get a label to a line number in a paragraph is to ask the output routine to mark it.

(New v4.00) The following two paragraphs don't hold any longer, see below. (/New v4.00)

```
% We use the marginpar mechanism to hook to ~\output~ for a
% second time.  Marginpars are floats with number $-1$, we
% fake marginpars with No $-2$. Originally, every negative
% numbered float was considered to be a marginpar.
%
% The float box number ~\@currbox~ is used to transfer the
% label name in a macro called ~\@LNL@~\angle{box-number}.
```

A `\newlabel` is written to the aux-file. The reference is to `\theLineNumber`, *not* `\thelinenumber`. This allows to hook in, as done below for pagewise line numbering.

(New v3.03) The `\@LN@ExtraLabelItems` are added for a hook to keep packages like `{hyperref}` happy. (/New v3.03)

(New v4.00) We fire the `\marginpar` mechanism, so we leave LaTeX's `\@addmarginpar` untouched.

```
% \let\@LN@addmarginpar\@addmarginpar
% \def\@addmarginpar{%
%    \ifnum\count\@currbox>-2\relax
%      \expandafter\@LN@addmarginpar
```

```
%    \else
%      \@cons\@freelist\@currbox
%      \protected@write\@auxout{}{%
%          \string\newlabel
%             {\csname @LNL@\the\@currbox\endcsname}%
%             {{\theLineNumber}{\thepage}\@LN@ExtraLabelItems}}%
%    \fi}
```

OK, we keep Stephan's `\@LN@ExtraLabelItems`: (/New v4.00)

```
\let\@LN@ExtraLabelItems\@empty
```

(New v4.00) We imitate the `\marginpar` mechanism without using the `\@freelist` boxes. `\linelabel` will indeed place a signal penalty (`\@Mllbcodepen`, new), and it will put a label into some list macro `\@LN@labellist`. A new part of the output routine will take the labels from the list and will write `\newlabel`s to the .aux file.

The following is a version of LaTeX's `\@xnext`.

```
\def\@LN@xnext#1\@lt#2\@@#3#4{\def#3{#1}\gdef#4{#2}}
```

This takes an item `#1` from a list `#4` into `#3`; to be used as `\expandafter\@LN@xnext#4\@@#3#4`. Our lists use `\@lt` after each item for separating. Indeed, there will be another list macro which can appear as argument `#4`, this will be used for moving `\vadjust` items (section 8.1). The list for `\linelabel`s is the following:

```
\global\let\@LN@labellist\@empty
```

The next is the new part of the output routine writing the `\newlabel` to the .aux file. Since it is no real page output, the page is put back to top of the main vertical list.

```
\def\WriteLineNo{%
  \unvbox\@cclv
  \expandafter \@LN@xnext \@LN@labellist \@@
                          \@LN@label \@LN@labellist
  \protected@write\@auxout{}{\string\newlabel{\@LN@label}%
        {{\theLineNumber}{\thepage}\@LN@ExtraLabelItems}}%
}
```

(/New v4.00)

4.2 The \linelabel command

To refer to a place in line \ref{⟨*foo*⟩} at page \pageref{⟨*foo*⟩} you place a \linelabel{⟨*foo*⟩} at that place.

(New v4.11)

See if it works: This paragraph starts on page 22, line 4.

```
% If you use this command outside a ~\linenumbers~
% paragraph, you will get references to some bogus
% line numbers, sorry.  But we don't disable the command,
% because only the ~\par~ at the end of a paragraph  may
% decide whether to print line numbers on this paragraph
% or not.  A ~\linelabel~ may legally appear earlier than
% ~\linenumbers~.
```

This trick is better not allowed—see subsections 4.2 and 3.2. (/New v4.11)

\linelabel

```
%, via a fake float number $-2$, %% new mechanism v4.00
```

puts a \penalty into a \vadjust, which triggers the pagebuilder after putting the current line to the main vertical list. A \write is placed on the main vertical list, which prints a reference to the current value of \thelinenumber and \thepage at the time of the \shipout.

A \linelabel is allowed only in outer horizontal mode. In outer vertical mode we start a paragraph, and ignore trailing spaces (by fooling \@esphack).

(New v4.00) We aim at relaxing the previous condition. We insert a hook \@LN@mathhook and a shorthand \@LN@postlabel to support the mathrefs option which allows \linelabel in math mode.

The next paragraph is no longer valid.

```
% The argument of ~\linelabel~ is put into a macro with a
% name derived from the number of the allocated float box.
% Much of the rest is dummy float setup.
```

(/New v4.00)

(New v4.11)

```
% \def\linelabel#1{%
```

I forgot \linenumbers today, costed me hours or so.

```
\def\@LN@LLerror{\PackageError{lineno}{%
  \string\linelabel\space without \string\linenumbers}{%
  Just see documentation. (New feature v4.11)}\@gobble}
```

(New v4.3) Here some things have changed for v4.3. The previous `#1` has been replaced by `\@gobble`. Ensuing, the `\linelabel` error message is re-implemented. I find it difficult to compare efficiency of slight alternatives—so choose an easy one. Explicit switching in `\linenumbers` and `\nolinenumbers` is an additional command that may better be avoided.

```
\newcommand\linelabel{%
  \ifLineNumbers \expandafter \@LN@linelabel
  \else          \expandafter \@LN@LLerror   \fi}

\gdef\@LN@linelabel#1{%
```

`\gdef` for hyperref "symbolically". (/New v4.11)

```
  \ifx\protect\@typeset@protect
```

← And a `\linelabel` should never be replicated in a mark or a TOC entry. (/New v4.3)

```
    \ifvmode
        \ifinner \else
           \leavevmode \@bsphack \@savsk\p@
        \fi
    \else
        \@bsphack
    \fi
    \ifhmode
      \ifinner
        \@parmoderr
      \else
```

(New v4.00)

```
        \@LN@postlabel{#1}%

%         \@floatpenalty -\@Mii
%         \@next\@currbox\@freelist
%             {\global\count\@currbox-2%
%              \expandafter\gdef\csname @LNL@\the\@currbox\endcsname{#1}}%
%             {\@floatpenalty\z@ \@fltovf \def\@currbox{\@tempboxa}}%
%         \begingroup
%             \setbox\@currbox \color@vbox \vbox \bgroup \end@float
%         \endgroup
%         \@ignorefalse \@esphack
```

(/New v4.00)

```
      \@esphack
```

(New v4.00) The `\@ignorefalse` was appropriate before because the `\@Esphack` in `\end@float` set `\@ignoretrue`. Cf. LaTeX's `\@xympar`. (/New v4.00)

```
    \fi
  \else
```

(New v4.00)

```
    \@LN@mathhook{#1}%
%    \@parmoderr
```

Instead of complaining, you may just do your job. (/New v4.00)

```
  \fi
 \fi
  }
```

(New v4.00) The shorthand just does what happened with `linenox0.sty` before `ednmath0.sty` (New v4.1: now `mathrefs` option) appeared, and the hook is initialized to serve the same purpose. So errors come just where Stephan had built them in, and this is just the LaTeX `\marginpar` behaviour.

```
\def\@LN@postlabel#1{\g@addto@macro\@LN@labellist{#1\@lt}%
      \vadjust{\penalty-\@Mllbcodepen}}
\def\@LN@mathhook#1{\@parmoderr}
```

(/New v4.00)

5 The appearance of the line numbers

5.1 Basic code

The line numbers are set as `\tiny\sffamily\arabic{linenumber}`, 10*pt* left of the text. With options to place it right of the text, or . . .

. . . here are the hooks:

```
\def\makeLineNumberLeft{%
  \hss\linenumberfont\LineNumber\hskip\linenumbersep}

\def\makeLineNumberRight{%
  \linenumberfont\hskip\linenumbersep\hskip\columnwidth
  \hb@xt@\linenumberwidth{\hss\LineNumber}\hss}

\def\linenumberfont{\normalfont\tiny\sffamily}

\newdimen\linenumbersep
\newdimen\linenumberwidth

\linenumbersep=10pt
\linenumberwidth=10pt
```

Margin switching requires `pagewise` numbering mode, but choosing the left or right margin for the numbers always works.

```
\def\switchlinenumbers{\@ifstar
    {\let\makeLineNumberOdd\makeLineNumberRight
     \let\makeLineNumberEven\makeLineNumberLeft}%
    {\let\makeLineNumberOdd\makeLineNumberLeft
     \let\makeLineNumberEven\makeLineNumberRight}%
    }

\def\setmakelinenumbers#1{\@ifstar
  {\let\makeLineNumberRunning#1%
   \let\makeLineNumberOdd#1%
   \let\makeLineNumberEven#1}%
  {\ifx\c@linenumber\c@runninglinenumber
      \let\makeLineNumberRunning#1%
   \else
      \let\makeLineNumberOdd#1%
      \let\makeLineNumberEven#1%
   \fi}%
  }

\def\leftlinenumbers{\setmakelinenumbers\makeLineNumberLeft}
\def\rightlinenumbers{\setmakelinenumbers\makeLineNumberRight}

\leftlinenumbers*
```

`\LineNumber` is a hook which is used for the modulo stuff. It is the command to use for the line number, when you customize `\makeLineNumber`. Use `\thelinenumber` to change the outfit of the digits.

We will implement two modes of operation:

- numbers `running` through (parts of) the text

- `pagewise` numbers starting over with one on top of each page.

Both modes have their own count register, but only one is allocated as a LaTeX counter, with the attached facilities serving both.

```
\newcounter{linenumber}
\newcount\c@pagewiselinenumber
\let\c@runninglinenumber\c@linenumber
```

Only the running mode counter may be reset, or preset, for individual paragraphs. The pagewise counter must give a unique anonymous number for each line.

(New v4.3) `\newcounter{linenumber}` was the only `\newcounter` in the whole package, and formerly I was near using `\newcount` instead. Yet `\newcounter` may be quite useful for `\includeonly`. It also supports resetting "subcounters", but what could these be? Well, `edtable` might introduce a subcounter for columns. (Note that LaTeX's setting commands would work with `\newcount\c@linenumber` already, apart from this. And perhaps sometimes `\refstepcounter{linenumber}` wouldn't work—cf. my discussion of `\stepcounter` in subsection 2.4, similarly `\refstep...` would be quite useless. Even the usual redefinitions of `\thelinenumber` would work. It is nice, on the other hand, that `\thelinenumber` is predefined here. LaTeX's initialization of the value perhaps just serves making clear LaTeX counters should always be changed globally.—Shortened and improved the discussion here.) (/New v4.3)

(New v4.22) `\c@linenumber` usually is—globally—incremented by `\stepcounter` (at present), so resetting it locally would raise the save stack problem of TeXbook p. 301, moreover it would be is useless, there is no hope of keeping the values local (but see subsection 7.2). So I insert `\global`: (/New v4.22)

```
\newcommand*\resetlinenumber[1][\@ne]{%
  \global                              % v4.22
  \c@runninglinenumber#1\relax}
```

(New v4.00)

```
% \newcommand\resetlinenumber[1][1]{\c@runninglinenumber#1}
```

Added `\relax`, being quite sure that this does no harm and is quite important, as with `\setcounter` etc. I consider this a bug fix (although perhaps no user has ever had a problem with this). (/New v4.00)

(v4.22: I had made much fuss about resetting subordinate counters here—removed, somewhat postponed.)

5.2 Running line numbers

Running mode is easy, `\LineNumber` and `\theLineNumber` produce `\thelinenumber`, which defaults to `\arabic{linenumber}`, using the `\c@runninglinenumber` counter. This is the default mode of operation.

```
\def\makeRunningLineNumber{\makeLineNumberRunning}

\def\setrunninglinenumbers{%
   \def\theLineNumber{\thelinenumber}%
   \let\c@linenumber\c@runninglinenumber
   \let\makeLineNumber\makeRunningLineNumber
   }

\setrunninglinenumbers\resetlinenumber
```

5.3 Pagewise line numbers

Difficult, if you think about it. The number has to be printed when there is no means to know on which page it will end up, except through the aux-file. My solution is really expensive, but quite robust.

With version `v2.00` the hashsize requirements are reduced, because we do not need one controlsequence for each line any more. But this costs some computation time to find out on which page we are.

`\makeLineNumber` gets a hook to log the line and page number to the aux-file. Another hook tries to find out what the page offset is, and subtracts it from the counter `\c@linenumber`. Additionally, the switch `\ifoddNumberedPage` is set true for odd numbered pages, false otherwise.

```
\def\setpagewiselinenumbers{%
   \let\theLineNumber\thePagewiseLineNumber
   \let\c@linenumber\c@pagewiselinenumber
   \let\makeLineNumber\makePagewiseLineNumber
   }

\def\makePagewiseLineNumber{\logtheLineNumber\getLineNumber
  \ifoddNumberedPage
     \makeLineNumberOdd
  \else
     \makeLineNumberEven
  \fi
  }
```

Each numbered line gives a line to the aux file

`\@LN{`⟨*line*⟩`}{`⟨*page*⟩`}`

very similar to the \newlabel business, except that we need an arabic representation of the page number, not what there might else be in \thepage.

```
\def\logtheLineNumber{\protected@write\@auxout{}{%
```

(New v4.00) (UL) As Daniel Doherty observed, the earlier line

```
%     \string\@LN{\the\c@linenumber}{\noexpand\the\c@page}}}
```

here may lead into an infinite loop when the user resets the page number (think of \pagenumbering, e.g.). Stephan and I briefly discussed the matter and decided to introduce a "physical"-page counter to which \logtheLineNumber refers. It was Stephan's idea to use \cl@page for reliably augmenting the "physical"-page counter. However, this relies on the output routine once doing \stepcounter{page}. Before Stephan's suggestion, I had thought of appending the stepping to LaTeX's \@outputpage.—So the macro definition ends as follows.

```
   \string\@LN{\the\c@linenumber}{%
```

(New v4.2) The 'truepage' counter must start with \c@ so it works with \include, and the \@addtoreset below is needed for the same purpose.

```
      \noexpand\the\c@LN@truepage}}}

\newcount\c@LN@truepage
\g@addto@macro\cl@page{\global\advance\c@LN@truepage\@ne}
\@addtoreset{LN@truepage}{@ckpt}
```

(/New v4.2) I had thought of offering more features of a LaTeX counter. However, the user should better *not* have access to this counter. \c@page should suffice as a pagewise master counter.—To be sure, along the present lines the user *can* manipulate \c@LN@truepage by \stepcounter{page}. E.g., she might do this in order to manually insert a photograph. Well, seems not to harm.

The above usage of \g@addto@macro and \cl@page may be not as stable as Stephan intended. His proposal used \xdef directly. But he used \cl@page as well, and who knows ... And as to \g@addto@macro, I have introduced it for list macros anyway. (/UL) (/New v4.00)

From the aux-file we get one macro \LN@P⟨*page*⟩ for each page with line numbers on it. This macro calls four other macros with one argument each. These macros are dynamically defined to do tests and actions, to find out on which page the current line number is located.

We need sort of a pointer to the first page with line numbers, initiallized to point to nothing:

```
\def\LastNumberedPage{first}
\def\LN@Pfirst{\nextLN\relax}
```

The four dynamic macros are initiallized to reproduce themselves in an `\xdef`

```
\let\lastLN\relax  % compare to last line on this page
\let\firstLN\relax % compare to first line on this page
\let\pageLN\relax  % get the page number, compute the line number
\let\nextLN\relax  % move to the next page
```

During the end-document run through the aux-files, we disable `\@LN`. I may put in a check here later, to give a rerun recommendation.

```
\AtEndDocument{\let\@LN\@gobbletwo}
```

Now, this is the tricky part. First of all, the whole definition of `\@LN` is grouped, to avoid accumulation on the save stack. Somehow `\csname`⟨*cs*⟩`\endcsname` pushes an entry, which stays after an `\xdef` to that ⟨*cs*⟩.

If `\LN@P`⟨*page*⟩ is undefined, initialize it with the current page and line number, with the *pointer-to-the-next-page* pointing to nothing. And the macro for the previous page will be redefined to point to the current one.

If the macro for the current page already exists, just redefine the *last-line-number* entry.

Finally, save the current page number, to get the pointer to the following page later.

```
\def\@LN#1#2{{\expandafter\@@LN
                  \csname LN@P#2C\@LN@column\expandafter\endcsname
                  \csname LN@PO#2\endcsname
                  {#1}{#2}}}

\def\@@LN#1#2#3#4{\ifx#1\relax
    \ifx#2\relax\gdef#2{#3}\fi
    \expandafter\@@@LN\csname LN@P\LastNumberedPage\endcsname#1%
    \xdef#1{\lastLN{#3}\firstLN{#3}%
            \pageLN{#4}{\@LN@column}{#2}\nextLN\relax}%
  \else
    \def\lastLN##1{\noexpand\lastLN{#3}}%
    \xdef#1{#1}%
  \fi
  \xdef\LastNumberedPage{#4C\@LN@column}}
```

The previous page macro gets its pointer to the current one, replacing the `\relax` with the cs-token `\LN@P`⟨*page*⟩.

```
\def\@@@LN#1#2{{\def\nextLN##1{\noexpand\nextLN\noexpand#2}%
                \xdef#1{#1}}}
```

Now, to print a line number, we need to find the page, where it resides. This will most probably be the page where the last one came from, or maybe the next page. However, it can be a completely different one. We maintain a cache, which is `\let` to the last page's macro. But for now it is initialized to expand `\LN@first`, where the poiner to the first numbered page has been stored in.

```
\def\NumberedPageCache{\LN@Pfirst}
```

To find out on which page the current `\c@linenumber` is, we define the four dynamic macros to do something usefull and execute the current cache macro. `\lastLN` is run first, testing if the line number in question may be on a later page. If so, disable `\firstLN`, and go on to the next page via `\nextLN`.

```
\def\testLastNumberedPage#1{\ifnum#1<\c@linenumber
      \let\firstLN\@gobble
  \fi}
```

Else, if `\firstLN` finds out that we need an earlier page, we start over from the beginning. Else, `\nextLN` will be disabled, and `\pageLN` will run `\gotNumberedPage` with four arguments: the first line number on this column, the page number, the column number, and the first line on the page.

```
\def\testFirstNumberedPage#1{\ifnum#1>\c@linenumber
     \def\nextLN##1{\testNextNumberedPage\LN@Pfirst}%
  \else
      \let\nextLN\@gobble
      \def\pageLN{\gotNumberedPage{#1}}%
  \fi}
```

We start with `\pageLN` disabled and `\nextLN` defined to continue the search with the next page.

```
\long\def \@gobblethree #1#2#3{}

\def\testNumberedPage{%
  \let\lastLN\testLastNumberedPage
  \let\firstLN\testFirstNumberedPage
  \let\pageLN\@gobblethree
  \let\nextLN\testNextNumberedPage
  \NumberedPageCache
  }
```

When we switch to another page, we first have to make sure that it is there. If we are done with the last page, we probably need to run TEX again, but for the rest of this run, the cache macro will just return four zeros. This saves a lot of time, for example if you have half of an aux-file from an aborted run, in the next run the whole page-list would be searched in vain again and again for the second half of the document.

If there is another page, we iterate the search.

```
\def\testNextNumberedPage#1{\ifx#1\relax
     \global\def\NumberedPageCache{\gotNumberedPage0000}%
     \PackageWarningNoLine{lineno}%
       {Line number reference failed, re-run to get it right}%
   \else
     \global\let\NumberedPageCache#1%
   \fi
   \testNumberedPage
   }
```

To separate the official hooks from the internals there is this equivalence, to hook in later for whatever purpose:

Let's see if it finds the label on page 22, line 4, and back here on page 31, line 8.

```
\let\getLineNumber\testNumberedPage
```

So, now we got the page where the number is on. We establish if we are on an odd or even page, and calculate the final line number to be printed.

```
\newif\ifoddNumberedPage
\newif\ifcolumnwiselinenumbers
\columnwiselinenumbersfalse

\def\gotNumberedPage#1#2#3#4{\oddNumberedPagefalse
  \ifodd \if@twocolumn #3\else #2\fi\relax\oddNumberedPagetrue\fi
  \advance\c@linenumber\@ne
  \ifcolumnwiselinenumbers
     \subtractlinenumberoffset{#1}%
  \else
     \subtractlinenumberoffset{#4}%
  \fi
  }
```

You might want to run the pagewise mode with running line numbers, or you might not. It's your choice:

```
\def\runningpagewiselinenumbers{%
  \let\subtractlinenumberoffset\@gobble
  }

```

```
\def\realpagewiselinenumbers{%
  \def\subtractlinenumberoffset##1{\advance\c@linenumber-##1\relax}%
  }

\realpagewiselinenumbers
```

For line number references, we need a protected call to the whole procedure, with the requested line number stored in the `\c@linenumber` counter. This is what gets printed to the aux-file to make a label:

```
\def\thePagewiseLineNumber{\protect
       \getpagewiselinenumber{\the\c@linenumber}}%
```

And here is what happens when the label is refered to:

```
\def\getpagewiselinenumber#1{{%
  \c@linenumber #1\relax\testNumberedPage
  \thelinenumber
  }}
```

A summary of all per line expenses:

CPU: The `\output` routine is called for each line, and the page-search is done.

DISK: One line of output to the aux-file for each numbered line

MEM: One macro per page. Great improvement over v1.02, which had one control sequence per line in addition. It blew the hash table after some five thousand lines.

5.4 Twocolumn mode (New v3.06)

Twocolumn mode requires another patch to the `\output` routine, in order to print a column tag to the .aux file.

```
\AtBeginDocument{% v4.2, revtex4.cls (e.g.).
 % <- TODO v4.4+: Or better in \LineNoLaTeXOutput!?
  \let\@LN@orig@makecol\@makecol}
\def\@LN@makecol{%
   \@LN@orig@makecol
   \setbox\@outputbox \vbox{%
      \boxmaxdepth \@maxdepth
      \protected@write\@auxout{}{%
          \string\@LN@col{\if@firstcolumn1\else2\fi}%
      }%
```

```
      \box\@outputbox
   }% \vbox
} %% TODO cf. revtexln.sty.

\def\@LN@col{\def\@LN@column} % v4.22, removed #1.
\@LN@col{1}
```

5.5 Numbering modulo m, starting at f

Most users want to have only one in five lines numbered. `\LineNumber` is supposed to produce the outfit of the line number attached to the line, while `\thelinenumber` is used also for references, which should appear even if they are not multiples of five.

(New v4.00) Moreover, some users want to control which line number should be printed first. Support of this is now introduced here—see `\firstlinenumber` below.—`numline.sty` by Michael Jaegermann and James Fortune offers controlling which *final* line numbers should not be printed. What is it good for? We ignore this here until some user demands it.—Peter Wilson's `ledmac.sty` offers much different choices of line numbers to be printed, due to Wayne Sullivan. (/New v4.00)

(New v4.22) `\c@linenumbermodulo` is rendered a fake counter, as discussed since v4.00. So it can no longer be set by `\setcounter`. `\modulolinenumbers` serves this purpose. Well, does anybody want to do what worked with `\addtocounter`? (Then please tell me.)—At least, `\value` still works. For the same purpose I rename the fake 'firstlinenumber' counter `\n@...` to `\c@...`. (/New v4.22)

```
% \newcount\c@linenumbermodulo % removed for v4.22
```

(New v4.00)

`\themodulolinenumber` waits for being declared `\LineNumber` by `\modulolinenumbers`. (This has been so before, no change.) Here is how it looked before:

```
% \def\themodulolinenumber{{\@tempcnta\c@linenumber
%   \divide\@tempcnta\c@linenumbermodulo
%   \multiply\@tempcnta\c@linenumbermodulo
%   \ifnum\@tempcnta=\c@linenumber\thelinenumber\fi
%   }}
```

(UL) This was somewhat slow. This arithmetic happens at every line. This time I tend to declare an extra line counter (as opposed to my usual recommendations to use counters as rarely as possible) which is stepped every

line. It could be incremented in the same way as `\c@LN@truepage` is incremented via `\cl@page`! This is another point in favour of `{linenumber}` being a LaTeX counter! When this new counter equals `\c@linenumbermodulo`, it is reset, and `\thelinenumber` is executed.—It gets much slower by my support of controlling the first line number below. I should improve this.—On the other hand, time expense means very little nowadays, while the number of TeX counters still is limited.

For the same purpose, moreover, attaching the line number box could be intercepted earlier (in `\MakeLineNo`), without changing `\LineNumber`. However, this may be bad for the latter's announcement as a wizard interface in section 10. (/UL)

Here is the new code. It is very near to my `lnopatch.sty` code which introduced the first line number feature before.—I add starting with a `\relax` which is so often recommended—without understanding this really. At least, it will not harm.—Former group braces appear as `\begingroup`/`\endgroup` here.

```
\def\themodulolinenumber{\relax
  \ifnum\c@linenumber<\c@firstlinenumber \else
    \begingroup
      \@tempcnta\c@linenumber
      \advance\@tempcnta-\c@firstlinenumber
      \divide\@tempcnta\c@linenumbermodulo
      \multiply\@tempcnta\c@linenumbermodulo
      \advance\@tempcnta\c@firstlinenumber
      \ifnum\@tempcnta=\c@linenumber \thelinenumber \fi
    \endgroup
  \fi
}
```

(/New v4.00)

The user command to set the modulo counter: (New v4.31) ... a star variant is introduced to implement Hillel Chayim Yisraeli's idea to print the first line number after an interruption of the edited text by some editor's text, regardless of the modulo. If it is 1, it is printed only with `\firstlinenumber{1}`. I.e., you use `\modulolinenumbers*` for the new feature, without the star you get the simpler behaviour that we have had so far. And you can switch back from the refined behaviour to the simple one by using `\modulolinenumbers` without the star.—This enhancement is accompanied by a new package option `modulo*` which just executes `\modulolinenumbers*` (subsection 6.4).—'With `\firstlinenumber{1}`' exactly means: '1' is printed if and only if the last `\firstlinenumber` before or in the paragraph that follows the "interruption" has argument '1' (or something *expanding* to '1', or (to) something that TeX "reads" as 1, e.g.: a TeX

count register storing 1).—At present, this behaviour may be unsatisfactory with pagewise line-numbering ... I'll make an experimental extra package if someone complains ...

```
\newcommand\modulolinenumbers{%
  \@ifstar
    {\def\@LN@maybe@moduloresume{%
       \global\let\@LN@maybe@normalLineNumber
                                \@LN@normalLineNumber}%
                                           \@LN@modulolinenos}%
    {\let\@LN@maybe@moduloresume\relax \@LN@modulolinenos}%
}

\global\let\@LN@maybe@normalLineNumber\relax
\let\@LN@maybe@moduloresume\relax
\gdef\@LN@normalLineNumber{%
  \ifnum\c@linenumber=\c@firstlinenumber \else
    \ifnum\c@linenumber>\@ne
      \def\LineNumber{\thelinenumber}%
    \fi
  \fi
```

`\def` instead of `\let` enables taking account of a redefinition of `\thelinenumber` in a present numbering environment (e.g.).

```
  \global\let\@LN@maybe@normalLineNumber\relax}
```

Instead of changing `\LineNumber` directly by `LN@moduloresume`, these tricks enable `\modulolinenumbers*` to act as locally as I can make it. I don't know how to avoid that the output routine switches back to the normal modulo behaviour by a global change. (An `\aftergroup` may fail in admittedly improbable cases.)

```
\newcommand*\@LN@modulolinenos[1][\z@]{%
```

The definition of this macro is that of the former `\modulolinenumbers`. (/New v4.31)

```
  \let\LineNumber\themodulolinenumber
  \ifnum#1>\@ne
    \chardef                        % v4.22, note below
      \c@linenumbermodulo#1\relax
  \else\ifnum#1=\@ne

%    \def\LineNumber{\thelinenumber}%
```

(New v4.00) I am putting something here to enable `\firstlinenumber` with `\c@linenumbermodulo` = 1. With `lnopatch.sty`, a trick was offered for this purpose. It is now obsolete.

```
    \def\LineNumber{\@LN@ifgreat\thelinenumber}%
```

(/New v4.00)

```
  \fi\fi
  }
```

(New v4.00) The default of `\@LN@ifgreat` is

```
\let\@LN@ifgreat\relax
```

The previous changes as soon as `\firstlinenumber` is used:

```
\newcommand*\firstlinenumber[1]{%
  \chardef\c@firstlinenumber#1\relax
```

No counter, little values allowed only—OK?—(UL) The change is local—OK? The good thing is that `\global\firstlinenumber{`⟨*number*⟩`}` works. Moreover, `\modulolinenumbers` acts locally as well. (/UL)

(New v4.31)

```
  \let\@LN@ifgreat\@LN@ifgreat@critical}

\def\@LN@ifgreat@critical{%
  \ifnum\c@linenumber<\c@firstlinenumber
    \expandafter \@gobble
  \fi}%
```

(/New v4.31)

The default value of `\c@firstlinenumber` is 0. This is best for what one would expect from modulo printing.

```
\let\c@firstlinenumber=\z@
```

For usage and effects of `\modulolinenumbers` and `\firstlinenumbers`, please consult section 10. Two details on `\firstlinenumbers` here: (i) `\firstlinenumber` acts on a paragraph if and only if (a) the paragraph is broken into lines "in line-numbering mode" (after `\linenumbers`, e.g.); (b) it is the last occurrence of a `\firstlinenumbers` before or in the paragraph. (The practical applications of this that I can imagine don't seem appealing to me.) Cf. the explanation above of how `\modulolinenumbers` and `\firstlinenumbers` interact—for this and for (ii), which is concerned with possible arguments for `\firstlinenumbers`.

Note that the line numbers of the present section demonstrate the two devices. (/New v4.00)

```
\chardef\c@linenumbermodulo=5       % v4.2; ugly?
\modulolinenumbers[1]
```

(New v4.22) The new implementation through `\chardef` decreases the functionality and raises certain compatibility problems. I face this without fear. The maximum modulo value is now `255`. I expect that this suffices for usual applications. However, some users have "abused" `lineno.sty` to get `ednotes.sty` features without line numbers, so have set the modulo to a value beyond the total number of lines in their edition. This ought to be replaced by `\let\makeLineNumber\relax`. (/New v4.22)

6 Package options

(New v4.1) The last heading formerly was the heading of what is now subsection 6.4. The options declared there were said to execute user commands only. This was wrong already concerning `displaymath` and `hyperref`. At least, however, these options were no or almost no occasion to skip definitions or allocations. This is different with the options that we now insert.

6.1 Extended referencing to line numbers. (v4.2)

This subsection explains and declares package option `addpageno`.

If a line to whose number you refer by `\ref` is not on the present page, it may be useful to add the number of the page on which the line occurs—and perhaps it should not be added otherwise. In general, you could use the Standard LaTeX package varioref for this. However, the latter usually produces verbose output like 'on the preceding page'— unless costumized—, while in critical editions, e.g., one may prefer just adding the page number and some mark on the left of the line number, irrespectively of how far the page is apart etc. To support this, package option `addpageno` provides a command `\vpagelineref` to be used in place of `\ref`. This produces, e.g., '34.15' when referring to line 15 on page 34 while the present page is not 34. You can customize the outcome, see the package file `vplref.sty` where the code and further details are. You may conceive of `\vpagelineref` as a certain customization of varioref's `\vref`.

This implies that option `addpageno` requires the files `vplref.sty` and `varioref.sty`. `addpageno` automatically loads both of them. Yet you can also load `varioref.sty` on your own to use its package options.

Of course, you might better introduce a shorter command name for `\vpagelineref` for your work, while we cannot predict here what shorthand will fit your work. E.g., `\newcommand{\lref}{\vpagelineref}`.

If you really want to add the page number in *any* case, use, e.g., some `\myref` instead of `\ref`, after

```
newcommand*{\myref}{\pageref{#1}.\ref{#1}}
```

or what you like. You don't need the `addpageno` option in this case.

`addpageno` is due to a suggestion by Sergei Mariev.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{addpageno}{%
  \AtEndOfPackage{\RequirePackage{vplref}[2005/04/25]}}
```

6.2 `\linelabel` in math mode

We have made some first steps towards allowing `\linelabel` in math mode. Because our code for this is presently experimental, we leave it to the user to decide for the experiment by calling option `mathrefs`. We are in a hurry now and thus leave the code, explanations, and discussion in the separate package `ednmath0.sty`. Maybe we later find the time to improve the code and move the relevant content of `ednmath0.sty` to here. The optimal situation would be to define `\linelabel` from the start so it works in math mode, omitting the `mathrefs` option.

Actually, this package even provides adjustments for analogously allowing `ednotes.sty` commands in math mode. Loading the package is postponed to `\AtBeginDocument` when we know whether these adjustments are needed.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{mathrefs}{\AtBeginDocument
  {\RequirePackage{ednmath0}[2004/08/20]}}
```

6.3 Arrays, tabular environments (Revised v4.11)

This subsection explains and declares package options `edtable`, `longtable`, and `nolongtablepatch`.

The standard LaTeX tabular environments come as single boxes, so the `lineno.sty` versions before v4.00 treated them as (parts of) single lines, printing (at most) one line number beside each and stepping the line number counter once only. Moreover, `\linelabel`s got lost. Of course, tables are usually so high that you will want to treat each row like a line. (Christian Tapp even desires that the lines of table entries belonging to a single row are treated like ordinary lines.) Footnotes get lost in such environments as well, which was bad for `ednotes.sty`.

We provide adjustments to count lines, print their numbers etc. as desired at least for *some* LaTeX tabular environments. (Like with other details,

"some" is to some extent explained in `edtable.sty`.) We do this similarly as with option `mathrefs` before. We leave code and explanations in the separate package `edtable.sty`. (For wizards: this package provides adjustments for `ednotes.sty` as well. However, in the present case we don't try to avoid them unless `ednotes.sty` is loaded.) Package option `edtable` defines—by loading `edtable.sty`—an environment `{edtable}` which is able to change some LaTeX tabular environments with the desired effects. (v4.11: `edtable.sty` v1.3 counts LaTeX's `{array}` [etc.] as a "tabular environment" as well.)

The `{edtable}` environment doesn't help with `longtable.sty`, however. To make up for this, `{longtable}` is adjusted in a different way—and this happens only when another `lineno.sty` option `longtable` is called. In this case, option `edtable` needn't be called explicitly: option `longtable` works as if `edtable` had been called.

Now, we are convinced that vertical spacing around `{longtable}` works wrongly—see LaTeX bugs database tools/3180 and 3485, or see explanations in the package `ltabptch.sty` (which is to be obtained from CTAN folder /macros/latex/ltabptch). Our conviction is so strong that the `longtable` option loads—after `longtable.sty`—the patch package `ltabptch.sty`. If the user doesn't want this (maybe preferring her own arrangement with the vertical spacing), she can forbid it by calling `nolongtablepatch`.

The following code just collects some choices, which are then executed in section 6.7. We use an `\if...` without `\newif` since `\if...true` and `\if...false` would occur at most two times and only within the present package. (`\AtEndOfClass{\RequirePackage{edtable}}` could be used instead, I just overlooked this. Now I don't change it because it allows to change the version requirement at one place only.)

```
\let\if@LN@edtable\iffalse

\DeclareVoidOption{edtable}{\let\if@LN@edtable\iftrue}

\DeclareVoidOption{longtable}{\let\if@LN@edtable\iftrue
  \PassOptionsToPackage{longtable}{edtable}}

\DeclareVoidOption{nolongtablepatch}{%
  \PassOptionsToPackage{nolongtablepatch}{edtable}}
```

(/New v4.1)

6.4 Switch among settings

There is a bunch of package options that execute user commands only.

Options `left` (`right`) put the line numbers on the left (right) margin. This works in all modes. `left` is the default.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{left}{\leftlinenumbers*}

\DeclareVoidOption{right}{\rightlinenumbers*}
```

Option `switch` (`switch*`) puts the line numbers on the outer (inner) margin of the text. This requires running the pagewise mode, but we turn off the page offset subtraction, getting sort of running numbers again. The `pagewise` option may restore true pagewise mode later.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{switch}{\setpagewiselinenumbers
                           \switchlinenumbers
                           \runningpagewiselinenumbers}

\DeclareVoidOption{switch*}{\setpagewiselinenumbers
                            \switchlinenumbers*%
                            \runningpagewiselinenumbers}
```

In twocolumn mode, we can switch the line numbers to the outer margin, and/or start with number 1 in each column. Margin switching is covered by the `switch` options.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{columnwise}{\setpagewiselinenumbers
                               \columnwiselinenumberstrue
                               \realpagewiselinenumbers}
```

The options `pagewise` and `running` select the major line number mechanism. `running` line numbers refer to a real counter value, which can be reset for any paragraph, even getting multiple paragraphs on one page starting with line number one. `pagewise` line numbers get a unique hidden number within the document, but with the opportunity to establish the page on which they finally come to rest. This allows the subtraction of the page offset, getting the numbers starting with 1 on top of each page, and margin switching in twoside formats becomes possible. The default mode is `running`.

The order of declaration of the options is important here `pagewise` must come after `switch`, to overide running pagewise mode. `running` comes last, to reset the running line number mode, e.g, after selecting margin switch mode for `pagewise` running. Once more, if you specify all three of the options `[switch,pagewise,running]`, the result is almost nothing, but if you later say `\pagewiselinenumbers`, you get margin switching, with real pagewise line numbers.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{pagewise}{\setpagewiselinenumbers
                             \realpagewiselinenumbers}

\DeclareVoidOption{running}{\setrunninglinenumbers}
```

The option `modulo` causes only those linenumbers to be printed which are multiples of five.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{modulo}{\modulolinenumbers\relax}
```

Option `modulo*` modifies `modulo` in working like `\modulolinenumbers*`—see section 10.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{modulo*}{\modulolinenumbers*\relax}
```

The package option `mathlines` switches the behavior of the `{linenomath}` environment with its star-form. Without this option, the `{linenomath}` environment does not number the lines of the display, while the star-form does. With this option, its just the opposite.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{mathlines}{\linenumberdisplaymath}
```

`displaymath` now calls for wrappers of the standard LaTeX display math environment. This was previously done by `mlineno.sty`.

(New v4.3) Option 'displaymath' becomes default according to Erik Luijten's suggestion. I was finally convinced of this as soon as I discovered how to avoid a spurious line number above `\begin{linenomath}` (subsection 3.3). `\endlinenomath` provides `\ignorespaces`, so what could go wrong now?

```
\DeclareVoidOption{displaymath}{%
  \PackageWarningNoLine{lineno}{Option [displaymath] is obsolete}}
```

(/New v4.3)

(New v5.3) Options 'sep' and 'width' set `\linenumbersep` (the separation of the line number to the text) and `\linenumberwidth` (the width of the line number box on the right margin) respectively; see section 10.1.

```
\DeclareStringOption[\linenumbersep]{sep}
\DeclareStringOption[\linenumberwidth]{width}
\AtBeginDocument{%
  \linenumbersep=\lineno@sep%
  \linenumberwidth=\lineno@width%
}
```

(/New v5.3)

6.5 Compatibility with hyperref

The hyperref package, via nameref, requires three more groups in the second argment of a \newlabel. Well, why shouldn't it get them? (New v3.07) The presence of the nameref package is now detected automatically \AtBeginDocument. (/New v3.07) (Fixed in v3.09) We try to be smart, and test \AtBeginDocument if the nameref package is loaded, but hyperref postpones the loading of nameref too, so this is all in vain.

(New v4.3) But we can also test at the first \linelabel. Regarding the error-message for misplaced \linelabel from v4.11: previously, \linenumbers rendered \linelabel the genuine version of \linelabel from the start on. This doesn't work now, since \@LN@linelabel may change its meaning after the first \linenumbers and before a next one (if there is some). (/New v4.3)

```
\DeclareVoidOption{hyperref}{%
  \PackageWarningNoLine{lineno}{Option [hyperref] is obsolete}}

\AtBeginDocument{%
  \@ifpackageloaded{nameref}{%
```

(New v4.3) "Global" is merely "symbolic" \AtBeginDoc.... If nameref is not detected here, the next \@LN@linelabel will do almost the same, then globally indeed.

```
    \gdef\@LN@ExtraLabelItems{{}{}{}}%
  }{%
    \global\let\@LN@@linelabel\@LN@linelabel
    \gdef\@LN@linelabel{%
```

\@ifpackageloaded is "preamble only", its—very internal—preamble definition is replicated here:

```
     \expandafter
      \ifx\csname ver@nameref.sty\endcsname\relax \else
        \gdef\@LN@ExtraLabelItems{{}{}{}}%
      \fi
```

Now aim at the "usual" behaviour:

```
      \global\let\@LN@linelabel\@LN@@linelabel
      \global\let\@LN@@linelabel\relax
      \@LN@linelabel
    }%
  }%
}
```

(New 5.4) Option to allow `\linelabel` with `\nolinenumbers`.

```
\DeclareVoidOption{nolinelabelerror}{\def\@LN@LLerror{\relax}}
```

(/New 5.4) (/New v4.3)
(New v4.1)

6.6 A note on calling so many options

The number of package options may stimulate worrying about how to *enter* all the options that one would like to use—they may not fit into one line. Fortunately, you can safely break code lines after the commas separating the option names in the `\usepackage` command (no comment marks needed).

6.7 Execute options

We stop declaring options and execute the ones that are called by the user. (/New v4.1)

```
\ProcessKeyvalOptions*
```

(New v4.1) Now we know whether `edtable.sty` is wanted and (if it is) with which options it is to be called.

```
\if@LN@edtable \RequirePackage{edtable}[2005/03/07] \fi
```

(/New v4.1)

7 Package extensions

Some of the extensions in this section were previously supplied in separate `.sty` files.

7.1 `displaymath`

(New v4.3) From now on, you no longer need to type the `{linenomath}` environment with the `\[`, `{equation}`, and `{eqnarray}` environments—and you no longer need to use the former package option `displaymath` for this feature. (/New v4.3)

The standard LaTeX display math environments are wrapped in a `{linenomath}` environment.

(New 3.05) The `[fleqn]` option of the standard LaTeX classes defines the display math environments such that line numbers appear just fine. Thus, we need not do any tricks when `[fleqn]` is loaded, as indicated by presents of the `\mathindent` register. (/New 3.05)

(New 3.05a) for `{eqnarray}`s we rather keep the old trick. (/New 3.05a)

(New 3.08) Wrap `\[` and `\]` into `{linenomath}`, instead of `{displaymath}`. Also save the definition of `\equation`, instead of replicating the current LaTeX definition. (/New 3.08)

```
\@ifundefined{mathindent}{

 \let\LN@displaymath\[%
 \let\LN@enddisplaymath\]%
 \renewcommand\[{\begin{linenomath}\LN@displaymath}%
 \renewcommand\]{\LN@enddisplaymath\end{linenomath}}%

 \let\LN@equation\equation
 \let\LN@endequation\endequation
 \renewenvironment{equation}%
    {\linenomath\LN@equation}%
    {\LN@endequation\endlinenomath}%

}{}% \@ifundefined{mathindent} -- 3rd arg v4.2, was \par!

 \let\LN@eqnarray\eqnarray
 \let\LN@endeqnarray\endeqnarray
 \renewenvironment{eqnarray}%
    {\linenomath\LN@eqnarray}%
    {\LN@endeqnarray\endlinenomath}%
```

(UL) Indeed. The LaTeX macros are saved for unnumbered mode, which is detected by `\linenomath`. (/UL)

7.2 Line numbers in internal vertical mode

The command `\internallinenumbers` adds line numbers in internal vertical mode, but with limitations: we assume fixed baseline skip.

(v4.22) v3.10 provided a global (`\global\advance`) as well as a local version (star-form, using `\c@internallinenumber`). `\resetlinenumbers` acted locally and was here used with the global version—save stack danger, TeXbook p. 301—in v4.00 I disabled the global version therefore. Now I find that it is better to keep a global version, and the now global `\resetlinenumbers` is perfect for this. The global version allows continuing the "internal" numbers in the ensuing "external" text, and—unless reset by brackets argument—continuing the above series of line numbers. As

with v3.10, the local version always starts with line number one. A new `\@LN@iglobal` steps `\global`ly in the global version, otherwise it is `\relax`. (I also remove all my stupid discussions as of v4.00. And I use `\newcommand`.) (v4.22)

```
\let\@LN@iglobal\global                          % v4.22

\newcommand\internallinenumbers{\setrunninglinenumbers
     \let\@@par\internallinenumberpar
     \ifx\@par\@@@par\let\@par\internallinenumberpar\fi
     \ifx\par\@@@par\let\par\internallinenumberpar\fi
     \ifx\@par\linenumberpar\let\@par\internallinenumberpar\fi
     \ifx\par\linenumberpar\let\par\internallinenumberpar\fi
     \@ifnextchar[{\resetlinenumber}%]
                 {\@ifstar{\let\c@linenumber\c@internallinenumber
                           \let\@LN@iglobal\relax % v4.22
                           \c@linenumber\@ne}{}}%
     }

\let\endinternallinenumbers\endlinenumbers
\@namedef{internallinenumbers*}{\internallinenumbers*}
\expandafter\let\csname endinternallinenumbers*\endcsname\endlinenumbers

\newcount\c@internallinenumber
\newcount\c@internallinenumbers

\newcommand\internallinenumberpar{%
     \ifvmode\@@@par\else\ifinner\@@@par\else\@@@par
     \begingroup
        \c@internallinenumbers\prevgraf
        \setbox\@tempboxa\hbox{\vbox{\makeinternalLinenumbers}}%
        \ht\@tempboxa\z@
        \ifdim\prevdepth=-1000pt
        % \nointerlineskip is already set so we don't need set it again
        % (and we shouldn't back up)
        \else
          \dp\@tempboxa\prevdepth
          \nobreak\vskip-\prevdepth
          \nointerlineskip
        \fi
        \box\@tempboxa
     \endgroup
     \fi\fi
     }

\newcommand\makeinternalLinenumbers{%
   \ifnum\c@internallinenumbers>\z@              % v4.2
   \hb@xt@\z@{\makeLineNumber}%
   \@LN@iglobal                                  % v4.22
```

```
    \advance\c@linenumber\@ne
  \advance\c@internallinenumbers\m@ne
  \expandafter\makeinternalLinenumbers\fi
  }
% TODO v4.4+: star: line numbers right!? cf. lnocapt.sty
```

7.3 Line number references with offset

This extension defines macros to refer to line numbers with an offset, e.g., to refer to a line which cannot be labeled directly (display math). This was formerly knows as `rlineno.sty`.

To refer to a pagewise line number with offset:

`\linerefp[`⟨*OFFSET*⟩`]{`⟨*LABEL*⟩`}`

To refer to a running line number with offset:

`\linerefr[`⟨*OFFSET*⟩`]{`⟨*LABEL*⟩`}`

To refer to a line number labeled in the same mode as currently selected:

`\lineref[`⟨*OFFSET*⟩`]{`⟨*LABEL*⟩`}`

```
\newcommand\lineref{%
  \ifx\c@linenumber\c@runninglinenumber
    \expandafter\linerefr
  \else
    \expandafter\linerefp
  \fi
}

\newcommand*\linerefp[2][\z@]{{%
  \let\@thelinenumber\thelinenumber
  \edef\thelinenumber{\advance\c@linenumber#1\relax
                      \noexpand\@thelinenumber}%
  \ref{#2}%
}}
```

This goes deep into LaTeX's internals.

```
\newcommand*\linerefr[2][\z@]{{%
  \def\@@linerefadd{\advance\c@linenumber#1}%
  \expandafter\@setref\csname r@#2\endcsname
  \@linerefadd{#2}%
}}

\newcommand*\@linerefadd[2]{\c@linenumber=#1\@@linerefadd\relax
                            \thelinenumber}
```

7.4 Numbered quotation environments

The {numquote} and {numquotation} environments are like {quote} and {quotation}, except there will be line numbers.

An optional argument gives the number to count from. A star * (inside or outside the closing }) prevent the reset of the line numbers. Default is to count from one.

(v4.22: A local version using \c@internallinenumber might be useful, see subsection 7.2.)

```
\newcommand\quotelinenumbers
   {\@ifstar\linenumbers{\@ifnextchar[\linenumbers{\linenumbers*}}}

\newdimen\quotelinenumbersep
\quotelinenumbersep=\linenumbersep
\let\quotelinenumberfont\linenumberfont

\newcommand\numquotelist
   {\leftlinenumbers
    \linenumbersep\quotelinenumbersep
    \let\linenumberfont\quotelinenumberfont
    \addtolength{\linenumbersep}{-\@totalleftmargin}%
    \quotelinenumbers
   }

\newenvironment{numquote}     {\quote\numquotelist}{\endquote}
\newenvironment{numquotation} {\quotation\numquotelist}{\endquotation}
\newenvironment{numquote*}    {\quote\numquotelist*}{\endquote}
\newenvironment{numquotation*}{\quotation\numquotelist*}{\endquotation}
```

7.5 Frame around a paragraph

The {bframe} environment draws a frame around some text, across page breaks, if necessary.

This works only for plain text paragraphs, without special height lines. All lines must be \baselineskip apart, no display math.

```
\newenvironment{bframe}
  {\par
   \@tempdima\columnwidth
   \advance\@tempdima 2\bframesep
   \setbox\bframebox\hb@xt@\columnwidth{%
      \hskip-\bframesep
      \vrule\@width\bframerule\@height\baselineskip\@depth\bframesep
      \advance\@tempdima-2\bframerule
      \hskip\@tempdima
      \vrule\@width\bframerule\@height\baselineskip\@depth\bframesep
```

```
634       \hskip-\bframesep
635    }%
636    \hbox{\hskip-\bframesep
637          \vrule\@width\@tempdima\@height\bframerule\@depth\z@}%
638    \nointerlineskip
639    \copy\bframebox
640    \nobreak
641    \kern-\baselineskip
642    \runninglinenumbers
643    \def\makeLineNumber{\copy\bframebox\hss}%
644   }
645   {\par
646    \ifdim\prevdepth=-1000pt \else
647      \kern-\prevdepth
648    \fi
649    \kern\bframesep
650    \nointerlineskip
651    \@tempdima\columnwidth
652    \advance\@tempdima 2\bframesep
653    \hbox{\hskip-\bframesep
654          \vrule\@width\@tempdima\@height\bframerule\@depth\z@}%
655   }
656
657 \newdimen\bframerule
658 \bframerule=\fboxrule
659
660 \newdimen\bframesep
661 \bframesep=\fboxsep
662
663 \newbox\bframebox
```

7.6 amsmath patches

(New v5.0) Patches `amsmath` to work with `lineno`. These patches used to be supplied by the `linenoamsmath` package. See `linenoamsmathdemo.pdf` for a demonstration. (/New v5.0)

(New v5.1) `lineno` tries to use LaTeX's hook management system to patch `amsmath`, so that the two packages may be loaded independently. This requires the October 2020 release of LaTeX. As a fallback for older releases, `lineno` tests whether `amsmath` had already been loaded (by testing for the presence of the `gather` command) and if so applies the patches; otherwise if `amsmath` has not been loaded, no patches are applied, and a warning is issued. (/New v5.1)

(New v5.2) Fix `lineno` to work with `amsmath`'s `\allowdisplaybreaks` option. A side effect is that now `\\*` suppresses a line number on that line. This is because `\\*` prohibits a page break after a given line, and `lineno`

basically works by hijacking page breaks. It's probably not possible to fix this without losing the behaviour of *. (/New v5.2)

```
\ifdefined\AddToHook
  \def\@LN@amsmath@patches#1{\AddToHook{package/amsmath/after}{#1}}
\else
  \ifdefined\endgather
    \def\@LN@amsmath@patches#1{#1}
  \else
    \PackageWarningNoLine{lineno}%
      {‘amsmath’ must be loaded before ‘lineno’ for patches to be applied}
    \def\@LN@amsmath@patches#1{\relax}
  \fi
\fi

\@LN@amsmath@patches{
  \newcommand*\@LN@amsmath@patch[1]{%
    \cspreto{#1}{\linenomath}%
    \cspreto{#1*}{\linenomath}%
    \csappto{end#1}{\endlinenomath}%
    \csappto{end#1*}{\endlinenomath}%
  }
  \newcount\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen
  \cspreto{math@cr@}{%
    %%% Uncommenting the following 2 lines restores the line number on a line
    %%% ended with \\*, by making \\* act just like \\. This is probably
    %%% undesirable, however, so these lines are disabled.
    % \global\@eqpen%
    % \ifnum\dspbrk@lvl <\z@ \interdisplaylinepenalty \else -\@getpen\dspbrk@lvl \fi%
    \advance\@eqpen\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\relax%
  }
  \newcommand*\@LN@amsmath@patch@ams[1]{%
    \cspreto{#1}{%
      \linenomath%
      \postdisplaypenalty=0%
      \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\interdisplaylinepenalty%
    }%
    \cspreto{#1*}{%
      \linenomath%
      \postdisplaypenalty=0%
      \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\interdisplaylinepenalty%
    }%
    \csappto{end#1}{%
      \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\z@%
      \endlinenomath%
    }%
    \csappto{end#1*}{%
      \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\z@%
      \endlinenomath%
```

```
    }%
  }
  \@LN@amsmath@patch{equation}
  \@LN@amsmath@patch@ams{multline}
  \@LN@amsmath@patch@ams{gather}
  \@LN@amsmath@patch@ams{align}
  \@LN@amsmath@patch@ams{alignat}
  \@LN@amsmath@patch@ams{flalign}
  \let\@LN@amsmath@ams@mmeasure\mmeasure@
  \def\mmeasure@#1{%
    \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\z@%
    \begingroup%
    \interdisplaylinepenalty=0%
    \@LN@amsmath@ams@mmeasure{#1\\}%
    \endgroup%
    \global\@LN@amsmath@ams@eqpen\interdisplaylinepenalty%
  }
}
```

8 Move \vadjust items (New v4.00)

This section completes reviving \pagebreak, \nopagebreak, \vspace, and the star and optional form of \\. This was started in section 2.1 and resumed in section 2.4 and subsection 3.1. The problem was explained in section 2.1: \vadjust items come out at a bad position, and the LaTeX commands named before work with \vadjust indeed. Our solution was sketched there as well.

According to the caveat in subsection 3.2 concerning \ifLineNumbers, the LaTeX commands enumerated may go wrong if you switch line numbering inside or at the end of a paragraph.

8.1 Redefining \vadjust

\vadjust will temporarily be changed into the following command.

```
\def\PostponeVadjust#1{%
  \global\let\vadjust\@LN@@vadjust
```

This undoes a \global\let\vadjust\PostponeVadjust which will start each of the refined LaTeX commands. The \globals are most probably superfluous. They might be useful should one \vadjust appear in a group starting after the change of \vadjust into \PostponeVadjust. (UL) Even the undoing may be superfluous, cf. discussion in section 8.2 below. (UL)

```
  \vadjust{\penalty-\@Mppvacodepen}%
```

```
  \g@addto@macro\@LN@vadjustlist{#1\@lt}%
}
\let\@LN@@vadjust\vadjust
\global\let\@LN@vadjustlist\@empty
\global\let\@LN@do@vadjusts\relax
```

These `\global`s are just to remind that all the changes of the strings after `\let` should be `\global` (TEXbook p. 301). `\@LN@vadjustlist` collects the `\vadjust` items of a paragraph. `\PassVadjustList` tears one `\vadjust` item for the current line out of `\@LN@vadjustlist` and puts it into `\@LN@do@vadjusts`. The latter is encountered each line in `\MakeLineNo` (section 2.4), while those LaTeX `\vadjust` commands will come rather rarely. So I decided that `\@LN@do@vadjust` is `\relax` until a `\vadjust` item is waiting. In the latter case, `\@LN@do@vadjusts` is turned into a list macro which resets itself to `\relax` when the other contents have been placed in the vertical list.—`\PassVadjustList` is invoked by the output routine (section 2.1), so the `\box255` must be put back.

```
\def\PassVadjustList{%
  \unvbox\@cclv
  \expandafter \@LN@xnext \@LN@vadjustlist \@@
                          \@tempa \@LN@vadjustlist
  \ifx\@LN@do@vadjusts\relax
    \gdef\@LN@do@vadjusts{\global\let\@LN@do@vadjusts\relax}%
  \fi
  \expandafter \g@addto@macro \expandafter \@LN@do@vadjusts
    \expandafter {\@tempa}%
}
```

8.2 Redefining the LaTeX commands

Now we change `\pagebreak` etc. so that they use `\PostponeVadjust` in place of `\vadjust`. We try to do this as independently as possible of the implementation of the LaTeX commands to be redefined. Therefore, we don't just copy macro definition code from any single implementation (say, latest LaTeX) and insert our changes, but attach a conditional `\global\let\vadjust\PostponeVadjust` to their left ends in a way which should work rather independantly of their actual code. However, `\vadjust` should be the primitive again after execution of the command. So the `\global\let...` may be used only if it's guaranteed that a `\vadjust` is near.—(UL) Sure? In line numbering mode, probably each `\vadjust` coming from a LaTeX command should be `\PostponeVadjust`. `\marginpar`s and floats seem to be the only cases which are not explicitly dealt with in the present section. This would be a way to avoid `\@LN@nobreaktrue`! Of

course, the \vadjusts that the present package uses then must be replaced by \@LN@@vadjust.—Maybe next time. (/UL)

The next command and something else will be added to the LaTeX commands we are concerned with here.

```
\DeclareRobustCommand\@LN@changevadjust{%
  \ifvmode\else\ifinner\else
    \global\let\vadjust\PostponeVadjust
  \fi\fi
}
```

(UL) What about math mode? Math display? Warn? (/UL)

\@tempa will now become a two place macro which adds first argument (single token), enclosed by \ifLineNumbers ... \fi to the left of second argument. As long as we need it, we can't use the star form of \DeclareRobustCommand or the like, because AMS-LaTeX uses \@tempa for \@ifstar. (New v4.41) And for the same reason, that \CheckCommand* had to be raised! (/New v4.41)

```
\CheckCommand*\@parboxrestore{\@arrayparboxrestore\let\\\@normalcr}

\def\@tempa#1#2{%
  \expandafter \def \expandafter#2\expandafter{\expandafter
    \ifLineNumbers\expandafter#1\expandafter\fi#2}%
}
```

(UL) This \ifLineNumber can be fooled by \linenumbers ahead etc. It might be better to place a signal penalty in any case and let the output routine decide what to do. (/UL)

We use the occasion to switch off linenumbers where they don't work anyway and where we don't want them, especially in footnotes:

```
\@tempa\nolinenumbers\@arrayparboxrestore
```

We hope this suffices ... let's check one thing at least: [(New v4.41) see \CheckCommand above (/New v4.41)]

Now for the main theme of the section. The next lines assume that \vspace, \pagebreak, and \nopagebreak use \vadjust whenever they occur outside vertical mode; moreover, that they don't directly read an argument. Indeed \pagebreak and \nopagebreak first call something which tests for a left bracket ahead, while \vspace first tests for a star.

```
\@tempa\@LN@changevadjust\vspace
\@tempa\@LN@changevadjust\pagebreak
\@tempa\@LN@changevadjust\nopagebreak
```

\\, however, uses \vadjust only in star or optional form. We relax independency of implementation in assuming that \@normalcr is the fragile version of \\ (and we use \@ifstar!). (Using a copy of \\ would be safer, but an ugly repetition of \protect.)

```
\protected\def\\{%
  \ifLineNumbers
    \expandafter \@LN@cr
  \else
    \expandafter \@normalcr
  \fi
}
\def\@LN@cr{%
  \@ifstar{\@LN@changevadjust\@normalcr*}%
          {\@ifnextchar[{\@LN@changevadjust\@normalcr}\@normalcr}%
}
```

Moreover we hope that \newline never leads to a \vadjust, although names of some commands invoked by \\ contain newline. At last, this seems to have been OK since 1989 or even earlier.

Let's have a few tests. Testing \pagebreak and \nopagebreak would be too expensive here, but—oops!—we have just experienced a successful \vspace*{.5\baselineskip}. A *[.5\baselineskip] may look even more drastical, but this time we are happy about it. Note that the line numbers have moved with the lines. Without our changes, one line number would have "anticipated" the move of the next line, just as you can observe it now. (/New v4.00)

8.3 Reminder on obsoleteness

(New v4.1) We have completed inclusion of the earlier extension packages linenox0.sty, linenox1.sty, lnopatch.sty, and linenoamsmath. If one of them is loaded, though, we produce an error message before something weird happens. We avoid \newif because the switchings occur so rarely.

```
\AtBeginDocument{%
  \let\if@LN@obsolete\iffalse
  \@ifpackageloaded{linenox0}{\let\if@LN@obsolete\iftrue}\relax
  \@ifpackageloaded{linenox1}{\let\if@LN@obsolete\iftrue}\relax
  \@ifpackageloaded{lnopatch}{\let\if@LN@obsolete\iftrue}\relax
  \@ifpackageloaded{linenoamsmath}{\let\if@LN@obsolete\iftrue}\relax
  \if@LN@obsolete
    \PackageError{lineno}{Obsolete extension package(s)}{%
```

```
      As of \fileversion, 'lineno' includes the functionality of \MessageBreak
      'linenox0', 'linenox1', 'lnopatch', and 'linenoamsmath'; \MessageBreak
      these packages are therefore obsolete and must not be loaded.}%
  \fi
}
```

9 The final touch

There is one deadcycle for each line number.

```
\advance\maxdeadcycles 100

\endinput
```

10 The user commands

The user commands to turn on and off line numbering are

`\linenumbers`

Turn on line numbering in the current mode.

`\linenumbers*`

and reset the line number to 1.

`\linenumbers[`⟨*number*⟩`]`

and start with ⟨*number*⟩.

`\nolinenumbers`

Turn off line numbering.

`\runninglinenumbers*[`⟨*number*⟩`]`

Turn on `running` line numbers, with the same optional arguments as `\linenumbers`. The numbers are running through the text over page-breaks. When you turn numbering off and on again, the numbers will continue, except, of cause, if you ask to reset or preset the counter.

`\pagewiselinenumbers`

Turn on `pagewise` line numbers. The lines on each page are numbered beginning with one at the first `pagewise` numbered line.

`\resetlinenumber[`⟨*number*⟩`]`

Reset [Set] the line number to 1 [⟨*number*⟩].

`\setrunninglinenumbers`

Switch to `running` line number mode. Do *not* turn it on or off.

`\setpagewiselinenumbers`

Switch to `pagewise` line number mode. Do *not* turn it on or off.

`\switchlinenumbers*`

Causes margin switching in pagewise modes. With the star, put the line numbers on the inner margin.

`\leftlinenumbers*`

`\rightlinenumbers*`

Set the line numbers in the left/right margin. With the star this works for both modes of operation, without the star only for the currently selected mode.

`\runningpagewiselinenumbers`

When using the pagewise line number mode, do not subtract the page offset. This results in running line numbers again, but with the possibility to switch margins. Be careful when doing line number referencing, this mode status must be the same while setting the paragraph and during references.

`\realpagewiselinenumbers`

Reverses the effect of `\runningpagewiselinenumbers`.

`\modulolinenumbers[`⟨*number*⟩`]`

Give a number only to lines which are multiples of [⟨*number*⟩]. If ⟨*number*⟩ is not specified, the current value in the counter `linenumbermodulo` is retained. ⟨*number*⟩=1 turns this off without changing `linenumbermodulo`. The counter is initialized to 5.

`\modulolinenumbers*[`⟨*number*⟩`]`

Like `\modulolinenumbers`, the only difference being that the first line number after a `\linenumbers` (or `\runninglinenumbers`, `\pagewiselinenumbers`, `\quotelinenumbers`) is printed regardless of the modulo—yet '1' is printed only after (or ...)

`\firstlinenumber{1}`. This also applies to the first line of a `{linenumbers}` or respective environment. See subsection 5.5 for another explanation. The behaviour may be unsatisfactory with pagewise line-numbering.

`\firstlinenumber`

`\firstlinenumber{`⟨*filino*⟩`}` brings about that (after it) line numbers less than ⟨*filino*⟩ do *not* appear in the margin. Moreover, with `\modulolinenumbers[`⟨*number*⟩`]`, just the line numbers which are ⟨*filino*⟩ plus a multiple of ⟨*number*⟩ are printed.—If you had `\firstlinenumber{`⟨*pos*⟩`}` with some ⟨*pos*⟩ > 0 and want to switch to printing multiples of, e.g., 4, you best do `\modulolinenumbers[4]` and `\firstlinenumber{0}`. (See subsection 5.5 for technical details.)

`\linenumberdisplaymath`

Number the lines of a display math in a `{linenomath}` environment, but do not in a `{linenomath*}` environment. This is used by the package option `[mathlines]`.

`\nolinenumberdisplaymath`

Do not Number the lines of a display math in a `{linenomath}` environment, but do in a `{linenomath*}` environment. This is the default.

`\linelabel`

Set a `\linelabel{`⟨*foo*⟩`}` to the line number where this commands is in. Refer to it with the LaTeX referencing commands `\ref{`⟨*foo*⟩`}` and `\pageref{`⟨*foo*⟩`}`.

The commands can be used globally, locally within groups or as environments. It is important to know that they take action only when the `\par` is executed. The `\end{`⟨*mode*⟩`linenumbers}` commands provide a `\par`. Examples:

```
{\linenumbers ⟨text⟩ \par}

\begin{linenumbers}
⟨text⟩
\end{linenumbers}

⟨paragraph⟩ {\linenumbers\par}
```

```
\linenumbers
⟨text⟩ \par
\nolinenumbers

\linenumbers
⟨paragraph⟩ {\nolinenumbers\par}
```

(New v4.00) However, the examples containing ⟨*paragraph*⟩ show what you should *not* do, at least if you use `\pagebreak`, `\nopagebreak`, `\vspace`, `\\*` or `\\[`⟨*space*⟩`]`—cf. section 8.

The same care should be applied to the "wizard" devices `\ifLineNumbers` (subsection 3.2) and `\PostponeVadjust` (section 8.1). (/New v4.00)

(New v4.11) Oh, and the commands and environments of section s:Xt are missing. Sorry, I am in a hurry now. May be next time.—And the environments `{linenomath}` and `{linenomath*}`should get an own paragraph. In short, each math display, equation, or `{eqnarray}` should be "wrapped" in one of `{linenomath}` and `{linenomath*}`.

10.1 Customization hooks

There are several hooks to customize the appearance of the line numbers, and some low level hooks for special effects.

`\thelinenumber`

This macro should give the representation of the line number in the LaTeX-counter `linenumber`. The default is provided by LaTeX:

```
\arabic{linenumber}
```

`\makeLineNumberLeft`

This macro is used to attach a line number to the left of the text page. This macro should fill an `\hbox to 0pt` which will be placed at the left margin of the page, with the reference point aligned to the line to which it should give a number. Please use the macro `\LineNumber` to refer to the line number.

The default definition is

```
\hss\linenumberfont\LineNumber\hskip\linenumbersep
```

`\makeLineNumberRight`

Like `\makeLineNumberLeft`, but for line numbers on the right margin.

The default definition is

```
\linenumberfont\hskip\linenumbersep\hskip\columnwidth
\hbox to\linenumberwidth{\hss\LineNumber}\hss
```

`\linenumberfont`

This macro is initialized to

```
\normalfont\tiny\sffamily
```

`\linenumbersep`

This dimension register sets the separation of the line number to the text. Default value is `10pt`.

`\linenumberwidth`

This dimension register sets the width of the line number box on the right margin. The distance of the right edge of the text to the right edge of the line number is `\linenumbersep` + `\linenumberwidth`. The default value is `10pt`.

`\theLineNumber` (for wizards)

This macro is called for printing a `\newlabel` entry to the aux-file. Its definition depends on the mode. For running line numbers it's just `\thelinenumber`, while in pagewise mode, the page offset subtraction is done in here.

`\makeLineNumber` (for wizards)

This macro produces the line numbers. The definition depends on the mode. In the running line numbers mode it just expands `\makeLineNumberLeft`.

`\LineNumber` (for wizards)

This macro is called by `\makeLineNumber` to typeset the line number. This hook is changed by the modulo mechanism and by `\firstlinenumber`.