

# The **blowup** package\*

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## Abstract

This package only defines the user-level macro `\blowUp`, which can be used to upscale or downscale all pages of a document. It is similar to the TeX primitive `\magnification` but more accurate and user-friendly. `\blowUp` may be useful for the creation of posters from a normal-sized document and for many kinds of fine adjustments of a ready typesetted document (e.g., minor changes of scaling and position of the pages).

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## 1 Usage

Load the package after other packages that affect the paper size (e.g., `geometry` and `hyperref`). Then call the macro `\blowUp` before `\begin{document}` to scale the document.

```
\usepackage{blowup}
\blowUp{\key=\value}
```

key	value
paper	The final paper size: <code>letter</code> , <code>legal</code> , <code>executive</code> or a paper size from the ISO/DIN paper series A, B, C, D (e.g., <code>a8</code> , <code>c7</code> , ..., <code>b1</code> , <code>a0</code> ) or a pair of dimensions in curly brackets (e.g., <code>paper={925mm,1225mm}</code> ) or the letter ‘x’ followed by a scaling factor (e.g., <code>paper=x1.414213</code> ).

\*This document corresponds to `blowup v0.1i`, dated 2008/07/13.

landscape	Exchanges paperwidth and paperheight: <code>true</code> (the same as no value) or <code>false</code> .
noscale	No scaling of the original paper size: <code>true</code> (the same as no value) or <code>false</code> .
pos	Position of the page on the paper: <code>left</code> or <code>right</code> , <code>inside</code> or <code>outside</code> , <code>top</code> or <code>bottom</code> (only the first letter is significant; default is centering), or a pair of dimensions in curly brackets which means the offset from the lower left or lower outside corner of the final paper. Only meaningful for <code>noscale=true</code> and up-scaled paper size.
onepage	Suppresses the second page and all following pages: <code>true</code> (the same as no value) or <code>false</code> . Useful for creating a one-side paper like a poster.

See also the example documents `blowup-test?.tex`.

## 2 Required Packages

The `blowup` package requires the following packages: `everyshi`, `graphics`, `keyval`, and `typearea`.

## 3 Implementation

```

1 <*package>
Load some packages for utility macros.
2 \RequirePackage{everyshi,graphics,keyval}
3 \@ifpackageloaded{typearea}{}{%
4   \newcommand*\BL@save@dimen[1]{%
5     \@ifundefined{BL@\#1}{%
6       \expandafter\newlength\csname BL@\#1\endcsname}{}%
7     \csname BL@\#1\endcsname\csname #1\endcsname%
8     \g@addto@macro\BL@restore@dimens{%
9       \csname #1\endcsname\csname BL@\#1\endcsname}%
10 }%
11 \newcommand*\BL@restore@dimens{}%

```

Some dimensions changed by `typearea` must be saved and restored.

```

12 \BL@save@dimen{textwidth}%
13 \BL@save@dimen{textheight}%
14 \BL@save@dimen{evensidemargin}%
15 \BL@save@dimen{oddsidemargin}%
16 \BL@save@dimen{topmargin}%
17 \BL@save@dimen{headheight}%
18 \BL@save@dimen{headsep}%

```

```

19  \BL@save@dimen{topskip}%
20  \BL@save@dimen{footskip}%
21  \BL@save@dimen{baselineskip}%
22  \RequirePackage{typearea}%
23  \BL@restore@dimens
24  \let\BL@save@dimen=\relax
25  \let\BL@restore@dimens=\relax
26 }
27 \providecommand*\vb@xt@{\vbox to}
\sPaperWidth The size of the scaled pages.
\sPaperHeight 28 \newlength\sPaperWidth \sPaperWidth=\paperwidth
29 \newlength\sPaperHeight \sPaperHeight=\paperheight
30 \newcommand*\BL@Cresize{}

\BL@scaledPage Scales the output box to the dimension of the new paper size.
31 \newcommand*\BL@scaledPage{%
32  \setbox\@cclv=\vbox{\vskip1in\unvbox\@cclv}%
33  \setbox\@cclv=\vbox{\moveright1in\box\@cclv}%
34  \setbox\@cclv=\hb@xt@\paperwidth{\box\@cclv\hss}%
35  \setbox\@cclv=\vb@xt@\paperheight{\box\@cclv\vss}%
36  \let\BL@Cresize=\@firstofone
37  \ifBL@noscale\else
38   \def\BL@Cresize##1{\resizetopbox{\sPaperWidth}{!}{##1}}%
39   \setbox\@tempboxa=\hbox{\set@typeset@protect
40     \BL@Cresize{\copy\@cclv}}%
41   \ifdim\ht\@tempboxa>\sPaperHeight
42     \def\BL@Cresize##1{\resizetopbox{!}{\sPaperHeight}{##1}}%
43   \fi
44 \fi
45 \setbox\@tempboxa=\vb@xt@\sPaperHeight{\set@typeset@protect
46   \kern\z@\BL@t
47   \hb@xt@\sPaperWidth{\BL@l\BL@Cresize{\box\@cclv}\BL@r}%
48   \BL@b\kern\z@
49 }%
50 \setbox\@cclv=\vbox{\box\@tempboxa}%
51 \setbox\@cclv=\vbox{\vskip-1in\unvbox\@cclv}%
52 \setbox\@cclv=\vbox{\moveright-1in\box\@cclv}%
53 }

54 \newcommand\BL@tempa{}
55 \newcommand\BL@tempb{}
56 \newcommand*\BL@strip@comma(){}
57 \def\BL@strip@comma#1,{#1}

\BL@if@dimen@pair The parameter two will be executed if the first parameter is a comma-separated
pair of two dimensions. If not the parameter three will be executed.
58 \newcommand*\BL@if@dimen@pair[1]{%
59   \expandafter\BL@if@dimen@pair#1,\@nil

```

```

60 }
61 \newcommand*\BL@if@dimen@pair[]{%
62 \def\BL@if@dimen@pair#1,#2\@nil{%
63   \edef\BL@tempa{#1}\edef\BL@tempb{#2}%
64   \atempswafalse
65   \ifx\BL@tempb\empty\else
66     \edef\BL@tempb{\expandafter\BL@strip@comma\BL@tempb}%
67     \ifdimen{\BL@tempa}{\atempswatrue}{}%
68     \ifatempswa
69       \ifdimen{\BL@tempb}{}{\atempswafalse}%
70     \fi
71   \fi
72   \ifatempswa
73     \expandafter\@firstoftwo
74   \else
75     \expandafter\@secondoftwo
76   \fi
77 }

78 \newcommand*\BL@strip@x[]{%
79 \def\BL@strip@x#1x{#1}

```

**\BL@if@factor** The parameter two will be executed if the first parameter is the small letter x ('times') immediately followed by a number. If not the parameter three will be executed.

```

80 \newcommand*\BL@if@factor[1]{%
81   \expandafter\BL@if@factor#1x\@nil
82 }
83 \newcommand*\BL@if@factor[]{%
84 \def\BL@if@factor#1x#2\@nil{%
85   \edef\BL@tempa{#2}%
86   \ifx\BL@tempa\empty
87     \expandafter\@secondoftwo
88   \else
89     \edef\BL@tempa{\expandafter\BL@strip@x\BL@tempa}%
90     \expandafter\@firstoftwo
91   \fi
92 }

```

The key-value definitions for \blowUp

```

93 \define@key{BL@}{paper}{%
94   \BL@if@dimen@pair{#1}{%
95     \global\sPaperWidth=\BL@tempa\relax
96     \global\sPaperHeight=\BL@tempb\relax
97   }{%
98     \BL@if@factor{#1}{%
99       \global\sPaperWidth=\BL@tempa\paperwidth
100      \global\sPaperHeight=\BL@tempa\paperheight
101    }{%
102      \begingroup

```

Get the paper size. Reset the landscape mode because one of the KOMA-SCRIPT classes may be loaded in landscape mode too.

```

103      \KOMAoptions{paper=portrait,paper=#1}%
104      \global\sPaperWidth=\paperwidth
105      \global\sPaperHeight=\paperheight
106      \endgroup
107  }%
108 }%
109 }%
110 \newif\ifBL@noscale \BL@noscalefalse
111 \define@key{BL@}{noscale}[true]{%
112   \csname BL@noscale#1\endcsname
113 }
114 \newcommand*\BL@l{\hss}
115 \newcommand*\BL@r{\hss}
116 \newcommand*\BL@i{ }
117 \newcommand*\BL@o{ }
118 \newcommand*\BL@t{\vss}
119 \newcommand*\BL@b{\vss}
```

**\BL@setPos** Modify the macros `\BL@l`, `\BL@r` (`\BL@i`, `\BL@o`), `\BL@t`, and `\BL@b` for positioning the page on the paper.

```

120 \newcommand\BL@setPos[1]{%
121   \def\BL@l{\hss}\def\BL@r{\hss}%
122   \def\BL@t{\vss}\def\BL@b{\vss}%
123   \def\BL@i{ }\def\BL@o{ }%
124   \BL@if@dimen@pair{#1}{%
125     \edef\BL@b{\vskip\BL@tempb}%
126     \if@twoside
127       \edef\BL@l{\noexpand\ifodd\value{page}%
128         \hskip\BL@tempa\noexpand\else\hss\noexpand\fi}%
129       \edef\BL@r{\noexpand\ifodd\value{page}%
130         \hss\noexpand\else\hskip\BL@tempa\noexpand\fi}%
131     \else
132       \edef\BL@l{\hskip\BL@tempa}%
133     \if
134   }{%
135     \@for\BL@tempa:=#1\do{%
```

Extract the first letter.

```

136   \edef\BL@tempb{\expandafter\@car\BL@tempa\@nil}%
137   \expandafter\let\csname BL@\BL@tempb \endcsname\relax
138   \if@twoside
139     \ifx\BL@i\relax
140       \def\BL@r{\ifodd\value{page}\hss\else\relax\fi}%
141       \def\BL@l{\ifodd\value{page}\relax\else\hss\fi}%
142     \fi
143     \ifx\BL@o\relax
144       \def\BL@l{\ifodd\value{page}\hss\else\relax\fi}%
145       \def\BL@r{\ifodd\value{page}\relax\else\hss\fi}%

```

```

146      \fi
147      \fi
148  }%
149 }%
150 }

151 \define@key{BL@}{pos}{%
152   \BL@setPos{\#1}%
153 }
154 \newif\ifBL@landscape \BL@landscapefalse
155 \define@key{BL@}{landscape}[true]{%
156   \csname BL@landscape#1\endcsname
157 }
158 \newcommand*\BL@pageInit{}
159 \define@key{BL@}{onepage}[true]{%
160   \csname if#1\endcsname
161   \def\BL@pageInit{\gdef\shipout{\setbox\@tempboxa=} }%
162   \fi
163 }

```

\blowUp The only user-level macro.

```

164 \newcommand*\blowUp[1]{%
165   \setkeys{BL@}{#1}%
166   \ifBL@landscape
167     \c@tempdima=\sPaperWidth
168     \global\sPaperWidth=\sPaperHeight
169     \global\sPaperHeight=\c@tempdima
170   \fi
171   \EveryShipout{\BL@scalePage}%
172   \gdef\blowUp##1{%
173     \PackageWarning{blowup}{%
174       Only the first call of '\string\blowUp' \MessageBreak is effective} }%
175 }

176 \EveryShipout{\BL@pageInit}
177 \onlypreamble\blowUp
178 \AtBeginDocument{%

```

The package `geometry` must not write (wrong) pagesize informations to the output file.

```

179 \let\Gm@checkdrivers=\relax
180 \BL@pagesize@specials{\sPaperWidth}{\sPaperHeight}%
181 }

```

\BL@pagesize@specials Write pagesize informations to the output file. Depends on `TeX` compiler or driver.

```

182 \newcommand*\BL@pagesize@specials[2] {}
183 \@ifundefined{Gin@driver}{}{%
184   \ifx\Gin@driver\empty\else
185     \filename@parse{\Gin@driver}\@tempswafalse
186     \def\reserved@a{dvips}%

```

```

187   \ifx\filename@base\reserved@a\@tempswatrue\fi
188   \def\reserved@a{dvipdfm}%
189   \ifx\filename@base\reserved@a\@tempswatrue\fi
190   \if@tempswa
191     \PackageInfo{blowup}{Generating code for dvips}%
192     \def\BL@pagesize@specials#1#2{%
193       \tempdima=#1\tempdimb=#2%
194       \AtBeginDvi{\special{papersize=\the\tempdima,\the\tempdimb}}}%
195   \fi
196   \def\reserved@a{pdftex}%
197   \ifx\filename@base\reserved@a
198     \PackageInfo{blowup}{Generating code for pdfTeX}%
199     \def\BL@pagesize@specials#1#2{%
200       \pdfpagewidth=#1\relax\pdfpageheight=#2\relax}%
201   \fi
202   \def\reserved@a{vtex}%
203   \ifx\filename@base\reserved@a
204     \PackageInfo{blowup}{Generating code for VTeX}%
205     \def\BL@pagesize@specials#1#2{%
206       \mediawidth=#1\relax\mediaheight=#2\relax}%
207   \fi
208 \fi
209 ]
210 </package>

```