fontinst

Font installation software for $T_{\! E\!} X$



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1 Introduction

The FONTINST package is a set of T_EX macros written to create virtual fonts for use with T_EX . Its main use is creating the files needed so you can use PostScript Type 1 fonts with LAT_FX .

FONTINST needs information about the fonts it works with. This information needs to be supplied in an Adobe Font Metric (afm) or T_EX Property List (pl) file. pl files can be created from tfm files using TFTOPL, a program normally included with a T_EX system.

The job that FONTINST does is complicated, but it can be used for many tasks by people who are not T_EX font wizards. Having said that, you do need to understand at least the basics of $I^AT_EX 2_{\varepsilon}$'s font selection mechanism, which is documented in fntguide.tex, part of the standard I^AT_EX distribution. ftp://ftp.tex.ac.uk/tex-archive/macros/latex/base/fntguide.tex will fetch a copy if you don't have one to hand.

To get the most benefit out of FONTINST, it's important to understand and use Karl Berry's 'Fontname' naming scheme. The definitive version of this is available from your nearest CTAN server. The following URL will fetch all the files needed compressed into a single ZIP archive: ftp://ftp.tex.ac.uk/ tex-archive/info/fontname.zip. I suggest that you print out the Fontname documentation and have it handy when you're learning about FONTINST.

The FONTINST package:

- Is written in T_EX, for maximum portability (at the cost of speed).
- Supports the OT1 (Computer Modern) and T1 (Cork) encodings.
- Allows fonts to be generated with arbitrary 'fake' characters; for example the 'ij' character can be faked if necessary by putting an 'i' next to a 'j'.
- Allows caps and small caps fonts with letter spacing and kerning.
- Allows kerning to be shared between characters, for example 'ij' can be kerned on the left as if it were an 'i' and on the right as if it were a 'j'. This is useful, since many PostScript fonts only include kerning information for characters without diacriticals.
- Allows the generation of math fonts with nextlarger, varchar, and arbitrary font dimensions.
- Allows more than one PostScript font to contribute to a T_EX font, for example the 'ffi' ligatures for a font can be taken from the Expert encoding, if you have it.
- Can automatically generate a fd file for use with $\mathbb{IAT}_{E}X 2_{\mathcal{E}}$.
- Can be customized by the user to deal with arbitrary font encodings.

Fontinst has been a stable piece of software since mid-1994. All further updates will be upwardly compatible with the interface described in this document.

1.1 What does fontinst do?

FONTINST is a tool written in TEX that can create the various extra files needed so you can use PostScript fonts with LATEX and TEX. It can read in afm files, and produces the necessary vpl, pl, and fd files to use the fonts (the human-readable vpl and pl files produced by FONTINST are turned into the machine-readable vf and tfm forms by VPTOVF and PLTOTF). It does not help you configure your DVI driver.

There also exists a **perl** front-end to FONTINST, intended specifically for use with a Unix T_EX system, which takes care of routine tasks such as running VPTOVF and PLTOTF on the generated files after FONTINST has finished it's job. It also generates a font map file for use with DVIPS.

FONTINST's main job is creating vf files (virtual fonts). Not all T_EX systems can use them. As far as I know, all current (1998) free and shareware T_EX systems can; virtual fonts have been in widespread use with T_EX since 1990. If you have a TeX system that can't use virtual fonts, FONTINST is most likely useless to you.

There are some nice things about having a tool written in T_EX to do this: it's completely portable and you can modify its behaviour using T_EX commands. The only real problem is that it's relatively slow: you can expect a typical FONTINST run to take something like 10–20 minutes on, say, a 40 MHz 80486SX PC or a 25 MHz 68LC040 Macintosh.

FONTINST can do its work on any font for which you have a corresponding afm or tfm metric file, so it's not limited to working with PostScript fonts; I have used it to produce the files I needed to use TrueType fonts with LATEX. Whether or not you can do this depends on whether or not you have suitable metric files and whether or not your TEX system can use TrueType fonts. In particular, the pdfTEX program supports TrueType fonts and includes a utility ttf2afm to generate afm files from ttf fonts.

Some people have used FONTINST to produce 'special effects' with normal TEX fonts. One example is the ECO set of fonts (available from CTAN: ftp://ftp.tex.ac.uk/tex-archive/fonts/eco/). These fonts are the same as the standard EC (European Modern) fonts, but with normal numerals replaced with old style numerals – 12345 rather than 12345 – everywhere except in maths mode.

1.2 Installation

To install FONTINST, put the contents of the inputs/tex, inputs/etx, inputs/mtx and examples directories into a directory read by T_EX , for example TEXMF/tex/generic/fontinst.

When you use FONTINST, you need to make sure that the afm and pl files it will work on are in a directory searched by T_EX .

If you are using web2c T_EX on a Unix system with the T_EX directory structure (TDS), you might put all the afm files in subdirectories of TEXMF/fonts/afm/*. And then say:

```
setenv TEXINPUTS $TEXMF/fonts/afm//::
```

Note that pl files are not normally kept in T_EX installations, so if you want to use MF fonts with FONTINST you have to generate the corresponding pl files from tfm files and put them in your working directory before running FONTINST.

You could adopt a similar strategy with other T_EX systems: create directories for the required files and then change the relevant parameter (input_folders in the default configuration file with OzT_EX, for example).

The approach I use is this: I write a file containing commands for FONTINST to process, and put the afm and pl files needed in the same directory as that file. When FONTINST has finished working, I delete the afm and pl files because they are not needed and waste space on my hard disc drive. Some application programs on some computers need afm files, so it's not always a good idea to remove them completely.

1.3 Why do we need fontinst?

T_EX refers to characters by number when it's typesetting. When you use a command like i, T_EX puts a number (16 if you're using OT1, 25 if you're using T1) into the dvi file. If you're using a font designed for use with T_EX, this number will correspond to the character '1'. Assuming OT1 encoding for the moment, when you come to print out your dvi file, the DVI driver will see the number 16 in the dvi file, and select the character that sits in position 16 of the corresponding printer font file (a pk file in the case of normal T_EX fonts). Unless something has gone wrong, that will result in the character '1' being placed on the page.

It's useful to think of these numbers and the actual characters corresponding to each number as sets called 'encodings'. A particular set of characters are assigned particular numbers. An example of an encoding is shown in table 1.

TEX began life using 7-bit fonts. This means the original TEX fonts used the numbers 0–127 to represent characters: 128 characters per font. TEX can now use 8-bit fonts: 256 numbers from 0–255, but even so, most typesetting with TEX still uses the original 7-bit encoding, now called 'OT1' (Old TEX 1 encoding). This has a correspondance between numbers and characters shown in table 1. The numbers used in that table are hexadecimal and octal because it makes for a neat table and anyway I stole the code to generate it from Donald Knuth and that's how he did it.

Returning to the example above, if you've a number 16 in your dvi file (expecting '1', a dotless i), but rather than printing with an OT1 encoded font, you print using a non re-encoded PostScript font in Adobe standard encoding, you'll get a blank, because the Adobe standard encoding has nothing in that character position.

There are several ways round this problem; I'll consider two cases here. If you are using LAT_EX you can tell it about a new encoding and re-define the commands that produce characters like '1' that live in different positions in

	<i>`0</i>	<i>`1</i>	<i>'</i> 2	<i>'</i> 3	<i>'</i> 4	<i>`5</i>	<i>`6</i>	γ	
<i>`00x</i>	Г	Δ	Θ	Λ	Ξ	П	Σ	Υ	″0x
<i>`01x</i>	Φ	Ψ	Ω	ff	fi	fl	ffi	ffl	UX
`02x	1	J	`	,	Ý	U	-	0	″1x
~03x	د	ß	æ	œ	ø	Æ	Œ	Ø	IX
<i>`04x</i>	-	!	"	#	\$	%	&	,	″2x
05x	()	*	+	,	-		/	2X
`06x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	″3x
~07x	8	9	:	;	i	=	i	?	37
´10x	0	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	″4x
´11x	Η	Ι	J	Κ	L	М	Ν	Ο	47
`12x	Р	Q	R	S	Т	U	V	W	″5x
~13x	Х	Y	Z	["]	^	•	5X
´14x	4	а	b	с	d	е	f	g	″6x
`15x	h	i	j	k	1	m	n	0	0X
´16x	р	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	″7x
′17x	х	у	\mathbf{Z}	_		"	~		1.X
	″8	<i>"</i> 9	″A	″В	″C	″D	″E	″F	

Table 1: The OT1 font encoding

different encodings, or you can use a tool to re-encode the font so that it has the expected characters in the appropriate positions.

Re-encoding is the approach FONTINST uses: it can produce files to map the characters in the new font to one of T_EX 's existing encodings; this works with formats other than LAT_EX .

The first approach is used to define the standard encodings that LAT_{EX} uses. See, for example, the file **otlenc.def** that comes with the current LAT_{EX} distribution, which defines the a few commands that refer to characters which aren't in the positions T_{EX} would otherwise assume. This works only with modern versions of LAT_{EX} .

The second approach is used to allow you to use fonts in other encodings with any dialect of T_EX . It has the some advantages over the first method: it works with any T_EX format; and it improves portability, because you can typeset a document using a standard T_EX encoding, sure that the same document will print correctly on a different kind of computer using a font with a different encoding. For example, you might say:

\usepackage{times}

in the preamble of your document. On my computer, that means my DVI driver will use a Macintosh encoded TrueType version of Times. On your computer,

it might mean the dvi driver will use a Unicode encoded PostScript version of Times-Roman. The results will be identical in either case, without needing to modify the document.

1.4 How do you use fontinst?

FONTINST works on afm files named (more-or-less) according to Karl Berry's font naming scheme (see ftp://ftp.tex.ac.uk/tex-archive/info/fontname at CTAN). Let's say you want to use the Adobe Times fonts. You can get the metric files for this font from CTAN:

Location of file at CTAN	Rename to
fonts/psfonts/adobeafm/base35/tibafm	ptmb8a.afm
fonts/psfonts/adobeafm/base35/tibiafm	ptmbi8a.afm
fonts/psfonts/adobeafm/base35/tiiafm	ptmri8a.afm
fonts/psfonts/adobeafm/base35/tirafm	ptmr8a.afm

The new name is the name you should give the tfm files so that FONTINST understands what each file contains. The initial 'p' means 'Adobe'; 'tm' means 'Times'; 'b' bold, 'r' roman, 'i' italic; and '8a' means 'Adobe standard encoding'.

The simplest use of FONTINST is to put the four afm files in the same directory as fontinst.sty and run T_EX on fontinst.sty. At the * prompt type:

```
*\latinfamily{ptm}{} \bye
```

Some time later (about 17 minutes on my rather old computer), FONTINST will have finished, having created:

- Two pl files for each afm file
- One vpl file for each T_FX font
- One fd file for each family

The pl files come in pairs: for example, ptmb8a.pl and ptmb8r.pl. The 8a version has the same encoding as the original font; the 8r version is re-encoded to TeXBase1 (8r) encoding, and is the font that is the base on which the T1 and OT1 encoded versions are based on. The raw 8a (Adobe standard) encoded font is not normally used.

These can be converted to T_EX fonts using PLTOTF or VPTOVF. If you have OzTEX, launch OzMF, select PLTOTF (or VPTOVF) from the Tools menu, and say 'Do all files'.

If you use the **bash** shell on a Unix system, you can process all files using these one-liners at the **\$** prompt:

\$ for f in in *.pl; do pltotf \$f; done \$ for f in in *.vpl; do vptovf \$f; done (This assumes that PLTOTF and VPTOVF can deduce the file names of the corresponding tfm and vf files automatically.)

You should then:

- Move the tfm files to your TEX fonts directory (e.g. TEXMFLOCAL/fonts/tfm/*).
- Move the vf files to your virtual fonts directory (e.g. TEXMFLOCAL/fonts/vf/*).
- Move the fd files to your TEX inputs directory (e.g. TEXMFLOCAL/tex/latex/psfonts/*).

If your T_EX installation is organized using the T_EX directory structure (TDS), it is customary to subdivide the tfm and vf files into subdirectories by supplier and typeface name.

The pl, vpl, and mtx files are debris that can now be deleted. mtx files are font metric files FONTINST creates for its own use from afm and pl files. They're just more convenient for TEX to read than other forms – think of them as FONTINST readable afm and pl files.

By now, you have all the files in place to produce a dvi file using the new fonts. You can make Adobe Times the default roman font in your document by putting this in your preamble:

\renewcommand{\rmdefault}{ptm}

TEX will now happily produce a perfectly good dvi file including the new font, which your DVI driver will choke on because you've not yet told it about the new fonts. Exactly how you do this depends on the dvi driver, but they all need the same information: the name of a TEX font; the printer font name it corresponds to; some information to handle an re-encoding needed; and (in the case of a PostScript driver) perhaps an instruction to download the font to the printer. You don't need to download the Times font to a PostScript printer, because Times is built in to every PostScript printer.

If you use DVIPS, these lines added to your psfonts.map file will do the job:

ptmr8r	Times-Roman	"TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc	
ptmri8r	Times-Italic	"TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc	
ptmb8r	Times-Bold	"TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc	
ptmbi8r	Times-BoldItalic	"TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont" <8r.enc	
ptmro8r	Times-Roman	"0.167 SlantFont TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont"	<8r.enc
ptmbo8r	Times-Bold	"0.167 SlantFont TeXBase1Encoding ReEncodeFont"	<8r.enc

And now you can print a dvi file containing the new fonts. If you really do want to use the 'raw' 8a encoded fonts for some reason, you need to add these lines to your psfonts.map file:

ptmr8a Times-Roman ptmri8a Times-Italic

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ptmb8aTimes-Boldptmb18aTimes-BoldItalicptmro8aTimes-Roman"0.167SlantFont"ptmb08aTimes-Bold"0.167SlantFont"
```

Assuming that you're using the fd file that FONTINST has produced, and that you've asked for the Adobe Times family (ptm) in medium series (m) and upright shape (n for normal) using the NFSS font selection commands:

\renewcommand{\rmdefault}{ptm}
\rmfamily \mdseries \upshape

Assuming further that you are using the fd file t1ptm.fd produced by FONT-INST, the T_EX font (tfm file) ptmr8t.tfm will be selected by the above commands, as you can see from the relevant line in t1ptm.fd:

```
DeclareFontShape{T1}{ptm}{n}{<-> ptmr8t}{}
```

This is what happens:

- TEX typesets your document using the font metric file ptmr8t.tfm; this is the font that is put in the dvi file.
- DVIPS looks at the dvi file, and sees a reference to the font ptmr8t.
- DVIPS searches for a vf file corresponding to ptmr8t; when it finds ptmr8t.vf, it knows it has a virtual font on its hands.
- DVIPS follows the instructions in the vf file, which map characters in ptmr8t.tfm to characters in the font ptmr8r.tfm. That is, when it sees a number 25 in the dvi file (dotless i '1' in T1 encoding), it replaces it with a number 17, which is a dotless i in 8r encoding.
- Then DVIPS looks up the name of each number according to the scheme given in the file 8r.enc, and replaces each number with the name of the character, in this case, number 17 is listed as 'dotlessi'.
- And finally, DVIPS tells the printer to print the named character.

Not all DVI drivers can manage re-encoding as well as DVIPS can. For example, OZTEX's built-in non-PostScript dvi driver can only work with numbers, so if I'm using a PostScript font, I can't print characters (such as Eth) that don't have a number in Macintosh text encoding unless I use DVIPS and print on a PostScript printer. DVIPS works with character names, so it's not subject to this restriction. In the example above, OZTEX would replace the number 17 for 'dotlessi' in 8r encoding with a number 245 for 'dotlessi' in Macintosh text encoding.

The details of the $\square T_E X 2_{\varepsilon}$ font selection scheme are described in $\square T_E X 2_{\varepsilon}$ font selection (distributed with $\square T_E X 2_{\varepsilon}$ as the file fntguide.tex) and The $\square T_E X Companion$ (Goossens, Mittelbach and Samarin, Addison-Wesley).

The files you need to use Times, Helvetica, Courier, and the rest of the 'standard' PostScript fonts are distributed as part of the PSNFSS bundle available from CTAN, so there's no need to create new files to use these fonts.

A more involved example of FONTINST use can be seen in the file fontptcm.tex which creates the files you need to use a combination of Times, Symbol, Zapf Chancery and Computer Modern as T_{EX} math fonts.

2 Installing your own font family

The FONTINST package has a command \latinfamily meant to do most of the work to install a 'normal' set (family) of roman text fonts from Adobe. Assuming you have a set of afm files to match the fonts you wish to use, the first step is to rename the afm files according to the Fontname naming scheme.

A 'normal' set of text fonts usually includes the basic upright roman version, bold, italic, and bold italic. Sometimes there will also be small caps versions, perhaps some 'expert' fonts, and maybe some other weights such as light, medium, semi bold, black or ultra bold.

The most important point to note is this: no matter what sort of computer you're using and no matter what font encoding it uses normally, afm files for text fonts are almost always in 8a encoding (Adobe standard encoding), so the afm files when renamed normally end in 8a.

A typical set of four afm files re-named for use with FONTINST is this:

```
ptmr8r.afmTimes-Romanptmri8r.afmTimes-Italicptmb8r.afmTimes-Boldptmbi8r.afmTimes-BoldItalic
```

Not all afm files use 8a encoding. If you open an afm file using a text editor, you'll see a line looking like this somewhere near the top:

EncodingScheme AdobeStandardEncoding

and if you see exactly that, the **afm** file should end with **8a**. If you see something like this:

EncodingScheme FontSpecific

have a look at the name of the font in the **afm** file. If you see something like this:

FontName AGaramondExp-Regular FullName Adobe Garamond Regular Expert

you have an 'expert' encoded font on your hands, and the afm file should end with 8x to indicate this to FONTINST. An 8x encoded font contains extra glyphs like old style numerals, small capital letters, more ligatures, and so on.

The \latinfamily command is used like this:

 $\lambda \left(\frac{\langle family \rangle}{\langle commands \rangle} \right)$

This installs a Latin family of fonts.

For example, to install Adobe Times, you say:

\latinfamily{ptm}{}

The *commands* issued by IATEX each time a font from that family is loaded. This is most often used with typewriter fonts, to switch off hyphenation. For example, Adobe Courier can be installed with:

```
\latinfamily{pcr}{\hyphenchar\font=-1}
```

Once the installation is over (which may take some time) the fonts can be used in IAT_EX by selecting an appropriate \fontfamily, for example Adobe Times can be selected with:

```
\fontfamily{ptm}\selectfont
```

If the fourth letter of the family name is 'x' then FONTINST will use expert fonts in creating the fonts. If the fourth letter is 'j' (or for backward compatibility '9') then FONTINST will use expert fonts to create fonts with old style digits.

For example, to install Adobe Garamond using expert fonts, you say:

```
\latinfamily{padx}{}
```

To install Adobe Garamond using expert fonts with oldstyle digits, you say:

```
\latinfamily{padj}{}
```

When you have expert fonts, and you've told FONTINST to use them, it will carry on as normal, but the resulting font family will have the name 'padx' or 'padj', and it will use expert glyphs whenever possible, so you'll have a real (rather than faked) small caps font, real (rather than faked) 'ffl' ligatures, and so on.

Before using these commands, you will need to make sure that you have the Adobe Font Metric (afm) files for the fonts, and that they have appropriate names. The FONTINST package uses the LATEX convention for naming fonts, and uses a *font family* name which consists of:

- a *supplier* (or foundry), such as 'p' for Adobe.
- a *typeface*, such as 'ad' for Adobe Garamond.
- up to two *variants*, such as 'j' or 'x' for 'old style digits' or 'expert'.

1.	Ditatura	ac	Adobe Caslon
b	Bitstream	ad	Adobe Garamond
f	'free' (public domain)	ag	Avantgarde
h	Bigelow & Holmes	bb	Bembo
i	ITC	bd	Bodoni
1	Linotype	bk	Bookman
m	Monotype	bv	Baskerville
р	Adobe (p for PostScript)	ca	Caslon
r	'raw' (obsolete)	ch	Charter
u	URW	cr	Courier
z	bizarre	fr	Frutiger
Т	able 2: A partial list of foundries	fu	Futura
	-	gl	Galliard
a	alternate	gm	Garamond
d	display, titling	gs	Gill Sans
f	fraktur, handtooled	hv	Helvetica
j	oldstyle digits	mn	Minion
n	informal, casual	lc	Lucida
р	ornaments	lh	Lucida Bright
S	sans serif	ls	Lucida Sans
t	typewriter	nb	New Baskerville
W	script, handwriting, swash	nc	New Century Schoolbook
х	expert	op	Optima
r	Table 3: A partial list of variants	pl	Palatino
-	table 5. If partial list of variants	sy	Symbol
с	small caps	tm	Times
i	italic	ut	Utopia
0	oblique (i.e., slanted)	zc	Zapf Chancery
u	unslanted italic	zd	Zapf Dingbats
	Table 4: A partial list of shapes		
	rable 4. A partial list of shapes		Table 5: A partial list of faces

So the family name 'padj' indicates Adobe Garamond with old style digits. Note that the variants 'j' or 'x' are interpreted by FONTINST itself and do not appear in external font names, whereas other variants are passed through as part of the font names. (This is needed for families which have a sans serif or typewriter variant.)

The *supplier* must be one letter, and the *typeface* must be two (this is an attempt to fit all filenames into MS-DOS format). Each variant is one letter. The full list of foundries, typefaces, shapes and variants is given in Karl Berry's '*Filenames for fonts*' (available by anonymous FTP from ftp://ftp.tex.ac.uk/tex-archive/info/fontname), but the more common ones are given in Tables 2-5.

The FONTINST package uses Karl Berry's naming scheme for **afm** files. The full naming scheme is rather more flexible than the subset used by FONTINST, which uses filenames consisting of:

- a *supplier*, such as 'p' for Adobe.
- a *typeface*, such as 'hv' for Helvetica.
- a *weight*, such as '**r**' for regular.

b	bold	8a	Adobe Standard
с	black	8x	Adobe Expert
d	demibold	8r	TEX 8-bit 'raw' (TeXBase1)
h	heavy	8y	$T_{E}X$ 8-bit 'raw' (TeXnANSI)
k	book	7t	$T_{E}X$ 7-bit text (OT1)
1	light	7m	$T_{E}X$ 7-bit math italic (OML)
m	medium	7y	$T_{E}X$ 7-bit math symbol (OMS)
r	regular	7v	$T_{E}X$ 7-bit math extension (OMX)
s	semibold	8t	$T_{E}X$ 8-bit text (T1)
u	ultra bold	8c	$T_{E}X$ 8-bit text symbols (TS1)
x	extra bold	9t	$T_{\rm E}X$ 7-bit text with expert glyphs
,	Table 6: A partial list of weights	90	$T_{\rm E}X$ 7-bit text with expert glyphs and old-style digits
с	condensed	9e	$T_{\rm E}X$ 8-bit text with expert glyphs
n	narrow	9d	$T_{\rm E}X$ 8-bit text with expert glyphs
w	wide		and old-style digits
x	extended	9c	T _F X 8-bit symbols with expert glyphs
	chroniada		and old-style digits
	Table 7: A partial list of widths	Tal	ble 8: A partial list of encodings

- up to two *shapes* or *variants*, such as 'o' for oblique.
- an encoding, such as '7t' for Knuth's 7-bit T_EX encoding.
- an optional *width*, such as 'n' for narrow.
- \bullet a file extension, such as '.tfm' for $T_{\! E\! X}$ Font Metric.

So the filename name 'phvro7tn.tfm' indicates Adobe Helvetica regular oblique narrow, in the 7-bit T_FX encoding.

The full list of shapes, encodings and weights is given in Karl Berry's '*Filenames for fonts*', but the more common ones are given in Tables 4–6.

For example, to install Adobe Garamond including the expert fonts, you would need to rename the **afm** files:

Adobe name	$ATM \ name$	$Fontinst\ name$
AGaramond-Bold.afm	gdbafm	padb8a.afm
AGaramond-BoldItalic.afm	gdbiafm	padbi8a.afm
AGaramond-Italic.afm	gdiafm	padri8a.afm
AGaramond-Regular.afm	gdrgafm	padr8a.afm
AGaramond-Semibold.afm	gdsbafm	pads8a.afm
AGaramond-SemiboldItalic.afm	gdsbiafm	padsi8a.afm
AGaramondExp-Bold.afm	gebafm	padb8x.afm
AGaramondExp-BoldItalic.afm	gebiafm	padbi8x.afm
AGaramondExp-Italic.afm	geiafm	padri8x.afm
AGaramondExp-Regular.afm	gergafm	padr8x.afm
AGaramondExp-Semibold.afm	gesbafm	pads8x.afm
${\tt AGaramondExp-SemiboldItalic.afm}$	gesbiafm	padsi8x.afm
AGaramond-RegularSC.afm	gdscafm	padrc8a.afm
AGaramond-SemiboldSC.afm	gdsbsafm	padsc8a.afm

You can then run $T_{\! E\!} \! X$ on the following document to install the Adobe Garamond family:

```
\input fontinst.sty
\latinfamily{padx}{}
\latinfamily{padj}{}
\bye
```

Not all font families can be installed using the **\latinfamily** command, nor does it always produce optimal results. The main interfaces to FONTINST are at a slightly lower level, where all font names appear explicitly in command arguments, and at that level it is possible to fine tune the font generation. The **\latinfamily** command is mainly a clever collection of macros which expand to a mostly fixed¹ sequence of lower level FONTINST commands.

Descriptions of the sub-\latinfamily commands can be found in the main fontinst manual.

3 More on the \latinfamily command

The **\latinfamily** command is essentially a short-cut to save you preparing a huge file with many different FONTINST commands in it.

It takes afm or mtx files as the source of font metric data to work with. Usually, you have a set of afm files. They must be named according to a subset of the Fontname naming scheme. To illustrate the process, here is an edited part of the console log from a use of \latinfamily:

\latinfamily{pad}{}

This log does not show FONTINST 'in action'; it's just to illustrate which fonts are looked for when you use the **\latinfamily** command.

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,n,> seek padr8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sc,> seek padrc8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sl,> seek padro8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,it,> seek padri8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,n,c> seek padr8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sc,c> seek padrc8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sc,c> seek padrc8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sl,c> seek padro8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sl,c> seek padro8r.mtx INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sl,c> seek padro8r.mtx

The important point to notice is that FONTINST needs an 8r encoded mtx file for each font when you are using the latinfamily command. If it can't find an 8r encoded mtx file, it'll look for for an 8a encoded afm file. It will automatically turn the file it finds into an 8r encoded mtx file. So when FONTINST says 'seek padr8r.mtx', it is in fact looking for padr8r.mtx and padr8a.afm. Whatever it finds, it will end up with padr8r.mtx to work on.

¹Commands that would refer to files which are not present are skipped, and in some cases there is a "Plan B" when "Plan A" would have made use of such a nonexistent file, but that is about it.

The first line of the log shows that FONTINST is trying to create a vpl file for pad/m/n. That is, font family pad (Adobe Garamond), font series m (normal 'book' or 'regular' weight), and font shape n (normal upright).

If it finds what it's looking for, it will create the files:

```
padr7t.vpl
padr8t.vpl
padr8c.vpl
```

And add these lines to the given fd files:

```
OT1pad.fd:\DeclareFontShape{0T1}{pad}{m}{n}{<-> padr7t}{}T1pad.fd:\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{m}{n}{<-> padr8t}{}TS1pad.fd:\DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{m}{n}{<-> padr8c}{}
```

This means you will have three new fonts to use in LATEX: the OT1, T1 and TS1 encoded versions of pad/m/n. You'll be able to select (say) T1/pad/m/n by saying:

```
\fontencoding{T1}\fontfamily{pad}\fontseries{m}\fontshape{n}\selectfont
```

This is the clumsiest way of selecting that particular font, but I've done it to illustrate exactly what's happening.

The next line:

```
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sc,> seek padrc8r.mtx
```

shows that FONTINST is trying to install a small caps font. If you have a real small caps metric file named padrc8r.mtx (don't forget it'll look for an 8a encoded afm file), FONTINST will go ahead and create the vpl file and fd file entry as expected.

But you don't normally have a real small caps font, so FONTINST will quite happily produce a fake small caps font. To do this, it looks for a suitable metric file by dropping the 'c':

'Hmm... I can't find padrc8r, so I'll look for padr8r.'

And you will eventually have:

padrc7t.vpl
padrc8t.vpl

And add these lines to the given fd files:

OT1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{OT1}	{pad}{m}{sc}{<->	padrc7t}{}
T1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{T1}	${pad}{m}{sc}{<->}$	padrc8t}{}

(Note that it won't install a TS1-encoded small caps font because TS1 is a text symbol font, which would look the same in the upright and small caps shape.)

The next log line shows FONTINST trying to create a **vpl** for the oblique version of Adobe Garamond:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,sl,> seek padro8r.mtx

It's quite usual for an oblique version to be unavailable, but FONTINST has a way round this: it can fake an oblique font from the corresponding 'straight' version:

'Oh dear: I can't find padro8r, so I'll look for padr8r and use clever maths to fake a slanted version.'

This is not as straightforward as the small caps case. FONTINST only works out what the metrics ought to be if the entire font is slanted to the right. It's up to the DVI driver to actually print a slanted font. DVIPS can do this.

You will eventually have:

padro7t.vpl
padro8t.vpl
padro8c.vpl

And these lines added to the given fd files:

OT1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pad}{m}{sl}{<->	padro7t}{}
T1pad.fd:	$\label{eq:lareFontShape{T1} {pad}{m}{s1}{<->}$	padro8t}{}
TS1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{m}{sl}{<->	padro8c}{}

The next line is straightforward:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,it,> seek padri8r.mtx

If FONTINST can't find a suitable metrics file (padri8r.mtx or padri8a.afm), it carries on without doing anything. If it does find a suitable metrics file, it churns away until you will eventually have:

```
padri7t.vpl
padri8t.vpl
padri8c.vpl
```

And these lines added to the given fd files:

OT1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pad}{m}{it}{<->	padri7t}{}
T1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{m}{it}{<->	padri8t}{}
TS1pad.fd:	$\label{eq:lareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{m}it} <->$	padri8c}{}

The next line is a bit different. FONTINST is now trying to create a **vpl** file for a *condensed* font:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,m,n,c> seek padr8rn.mtx

If it finds a suitable metric file (Adobe Garamond, medium weight, normal upright shape, condensed), it will eventually produce:

```
padr7tn.vpl
padr8tn.vpl
padr8cn.vpl
```

And these lines added to the given fd files:

OT1pad.fd:	$DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pad}{mc}{n}{<->}$	padr7tn}{}
T1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{mc}{n}{<->	padr8tn}{}
TS1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{mc}{n}{<->	padr8cn}{}

There is no standard LATEX command like \bfseries to select the medium condensed (mc) series created here. If you want to use this font, you must do something like:

\fontfamily{pad}\fontseries{mc}\selectfont

If it doesn't find a suitable metric file for a narrow series, FONTINST will just skip over and continue, unless you specifically tell it to fake a narrow series.

And so the process continues: FONTINST attempts to create vpl files for condensed versions of all the font shapes met so far, and then goes on to:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,n,> seek padb8r.mtx

And again, if it finds a suitable metric file (padb8r.mtx or padb8a.afm), it'll potter off and create the files:

```
padb7t.vpl
padb8t.vpl
padb8c.vpl
```

And these lines added to the given fd files:

OT1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pad}{b}{n}{<->	padb7t}{}
T1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{b}{n}{<->	padb8t}{}
TS1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{b}{n}{<->	padb8c}{}

With this step done, fontinst will try to create vpl files for the small caps, slanted, and italic versions of pad/b; and then it'll try to create condensed versions of all those:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,n,> seek padb8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sc,> seek padbc8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sl,> seek padbo8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,it,> seek padbi8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,n,c> seek padb8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sc,c> seek padbc8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sc,c> seek padbc8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sl,c> seek padbc8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sl,c> seek padbc8r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sl,c> seek padb08r.mtx
INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,b,sl,c> seek padb08r.mtx

If it manages to find the files it needs to create the vpl files to use all those fonts with IAT_EX , you'll end up with the following lines in the T1 fd file (I've ignored the OT1 fd file to save some space):

```
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{b} {n} {<-> padb8t}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{b} {sc}{<-> padb8t}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{b} {sl}{<-> padb8t}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{b} {it}{<-> padb8t}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{n} {<-> padb8tn}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{sc}{<-> padb8tn}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{sl}{<-> padb8tn}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{sl}{<-> padb8tn}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{sl}{<-> padb8tn}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{bc}{sl}{<-> padb8tn}{}
```

To translate into English: Adobe Garamond bold in 'normal', small caps, slanted, and italic versions, as well as condensed versions of all four.

Again, because there's no convenient way of selecting the condensed versions with existing LATEX commands, you need to say something like:

\fontfamily{pad}\fontseries{bc}\selectfont

to use the bold condensed (bc) versions of this font; you can of course use \itshape, \scshape, \slshape, and upshape to switch between the italic, small caps, slanted, and 'normal' versions of Adobe Garamond bold condensed once you've got pad/bc selected.

So far, you've seen **\latinfamily** look at two different weights and two different widths. For each weight, **\latinfamily** will try and install eight different fonts as you can see above. It will try and install the same eight different fonts for each of the following different weights:

ET_EX	Fontname	description
ul	a	ultra light
el	i	extra light
1	1	light
m	k, r	book, regular
mb	m	medium
db	d	demi bold
sb	S	semi bold
b	b	bold
eb	c, h, x	black, heavy, extra bold
ub	u	ultra bold

The LAT_EX column contains the label that will be used in the \DeclareFontShape command to specify the font series. The Fontname column contains the width specifier used to name the font metric file that FONTINST will look for in that case.

In other words, at some stage FONTINST will look for:

INFO> to make LaTeX font shape <pad,sb,n,> seek pads8r.mtx

and if it finds a suitable metric file (pads8r.mtx or pads8a.afm), it will create:

pads7t.vpl
pads8t.vpl
pads8c.vpl

and fd file entries like this:

OT1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{OT1}{pad}{sb}{n}{<->	pads7t}{}
T1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{T1} {pad}{sb}{n}{<->	pads8t}{}
TS1pad.fd:	\DeclareFontShape{TS1}{pad}{sb}{n}{<->	pads8c}{}

and since sb is not a normal LATEX font series, you'll need to use something like:

\fontfamily{pad}\fontseries{sb}\selectfont

to use this font.

The basicex.tex file in the examples directory of the main FONTINST distribution is an annotated command file which does roughly the same things as the **\latinfamily** command for the pad family of fonts.