

# The `pdfcolparallel` package

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## Abstract

This packages fixes bugs in `parallel` and improves color support by using several color stacks that are provided by pdfTEX since version 1.40.

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## 1 Usage

```
\usepackage{pdfcolparallel}
```

The package `pdfcolparallel` loads package `parallel` [1] and redefines some macros to fix bugs.

If color stacks are available then package `parallel` is further patched to support them.

## 1.1 Option rulebetweencolor

Package `pdfcolparallel` also fixes the color for the rule between columns. Default color is `\normalcolor`. But this can be changed by using option `rulebetweencolor` for `\setkeys{parallel}` (see package `keyval`). The option takes a color specification as value. If the value is empty, then the default (`\normalcolor`) is used. Examples:

```
\setkeys{parallel}{rulebetweencolor=blue},  
\setkeys{parallel}{rulebetweencolor={red}},  
\setkeys{parallel}{rulebetweencolor={}}, % \normalcolor is  
used  
\setkeys{parallel}{rulebetweencolor=[rgb]{1,0,.5}}
```

## 1.2 Future

If there will be a new version of package `parallel` that adds support for color stacks, then this package may become obsolete.

# 2 Implementation

## 2.1 Identification

```
1 (*package)  
2 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}  
3 \ProvidesPackage{pdfcolparallel}%  
4 [2010/01/11 v1.3 Fixed parallel with color stacks support (HO)]%
```

## 2.2 Load and fix package parallel

Package `parallel` is loaded. Before options of package `pdfcolparallel` are passed to package `parallel`.

```
5 \DeclareOption*{  
6   \PassOptionsToPackage{\CurrentOption}{parallel}}%  
7 }  
8 \ProcessOptions\relax  
9 \RequirePackage{parallel}[2003/04/13]  
10 \RequirePackage{inifwarrerr}[2007/09/09]
```

`\pcp@ColorPatch`

```
11 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup  
12 \expandafter\ifx\csname currentgrouplevel\endcsname\relax  
13   \def\pcp@ColorPatch{}%  
14 \else  
15   \def\pcp@ColorPatch{  
16     \@ifundefined{set@color}{%  
17       \gdef\pcp@ColorPatch{}%  
18     }{  
19       \gdef\pcp@ColorPatch{  
20         \gdef\pcp@ColorResets{}%  
21         \bgroup  
22           \aftergroup\pcp@ColorResets  
23           \aftergroup\egroup  
24           \let\pcp@OrgSetColor\set@color  
25           \let\set@color\pcp@SetColor  
26           \edef\pcp@GroupLevel{\the\currentgrouplevel}%  
27     }%  
28   }%  
29   \pcp@ColorPatch  
30 }%
```

```

\pcp@SetColor
 31 \def\pcp@SetColor{%
 32   \ifnum\pcp@GroupLevel=\currentgrouplevel
 33     \let\pcp@OrgAfterGroup\aftergroup
 34     \def\aftergroup{%
 35       \g@addto@macro\pcp@ColorResets
 36     }%
 37     \pcp@OrgSetColor
 38     \let\aftergroup\pcp@OrgAfterGroup
 39   \else
 40     \pcp@OrgSetColor
 41   \fi
 42 }%
 43 \fi

\pcp@CmdCheckRedef
 44 \def\pcp@CmdCheckRedef#1{%
 45   \begingroup
 46     \def\pcp@cmd{#1}%
 47     \afterassignment\pcp@CmdDo
 48     \long\def\reserved@a
 49   }%
 50 \def\pcp@CmdDo{%
 51   \expandafter\ifx\pcp@cmd\reserved@a
 52   \else
 53     \edef\x*{\expandafter\string\pcp@cmd}%
 54     \@PackageWarningNoLine{pdfcolparallel}{%
 55       Command \x* has changed.\MessageBreak
 56       Supported versions of package ‘parallel’: \MessageBreak
 57       \space\space 2003/04/13\MessageBreak
 58       The redefinition of \x* may\MessageBreak
 59       not behave correctly depending on the changes%
 60     }%
 61   \fi
 62   \expandafter\endgroup
 63   \expandafter\def\pcp@cmd
 64 }%

 65 \def\pcp@SwitchStack#1#2{}
 66 \def\pcp@SetCurrent#1{}

\ParallelText
 67 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelText{%
 68   \everypar{}%
 69   \restorepar
 70   \begingroup
 71     \hbadness=3000 %
 72     \let\footnote=\ParallelFootnote
 73     \ParallelWhichBox=0 %
 74     \global\setbox\ParallelLBox=\vbox\bgroup
 75     \hsize=\ParallelWidth
 76     \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
 77     \begingroup
 78       \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
 79       \let\x=%
 80     }%
 81   \everypar{}%
 82   \restorepar
 83   \nobreakfalse
 84   \begingroup
 85     \hbadness=3000 %
 86     \let\footnote=\ParallelFootnote

```

```

87      \ParallelWhichBox=0 %
88      \global\setbox\ParallelLBox=\vbox\bgroup
89          \hsize=\ParallelWidth
90          \linewidth=\ParallelWidth
91          \pcp@SwitchStack{Left}\ParallelLBox
92          \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
93          \pcp@ColorPatch
94          \begingroup
95              \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
96              \let\x=%
97 }

\ParallelRText
98 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelRText{%
99   \everypar{}%
100  \restorepar
101  \begingroup
102    \hbadness=3000 %
103    \ifnum\ParallelFNMode=\@ne
104        \let\footnote=\ParallelRFootnote
105    \else
106        \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
107    \fi
108    \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
109    \global\setbox\ParallelRBox=\vbox\bgroup
110        \hsize=\ParallelRWidth
111        \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
112        \begingroup
113            \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
114            \let\x=%
115 }{%
116   \everypar{}%
117   \restorepar
118   \nobreakfalse
119   \begingroup
120     \hbadness=3000 %
121     \ifnum\ParallelFNMode=\@ne
122         \let\footnote=\ParallelRFootnote
123     \else
124         \let\footnote=\ParallelLFootnote
125     \fi
126     \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
127     \global\setbox\ParallelRBox=\vbox\bgroup
128         \hsize=\ParallelRWidth
129         \linewidth=\ParallelRWidth
130         \pcp@SwitchStack{Right}\ParallelRBox
131         \aftergroup\ParallelAfterText
132         \pcp@ColorPatch
133         \begingroup
134             \afterassignment\ParallelCheckOpenBrace
135             \let\x=%
136 }

\ParallelParTwoPages
137 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelParTwoPages{%
138   \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
139     \par
140     \begingroup
141       \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
142       \newpage
143       \vbadness=10000 %
144       \vfuzz=3ex %

```

```

145      \splittopskip=\z@skip
146      \loop%
147          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne%
148              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
149                  \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
150                      \mbox{} %
151                      \newpage
152                  \else
153                      \global\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
154                  \fi
155              \else
156                  \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
157                      \mbox{} %
158                      \newpage
159                  \else
160                      \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
161                  \fi
162              \fi
163          \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
164              \ifodd\thepage
165                  \mbox{} %
166                  \newpage
167              \fi
168              \hbox to\textwidth{%
169                  \vbox{\vsplit\ParallelLBox to.98\textheight}%
170              }%
171          \else
172              \ifodd\thepage\relax
173              \else
174                  \mbox{} %
175                  \newpage
176              \fi
177              \hbox to\textwidth{%
178                  \vbox{\vsplit\ParallelRBox to.98\textheight}%
179              }%
180          \fi
181          \vspace*\fill}%
182          \newpage
183      \fi
184      \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
185          \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
186              \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
187          \fi
188      \fi
189      \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
190          \repeat
191          \par
192          \endgroup
193      \fi
194 }%

```

Additional fixes:

- Unnecessary white space removed.
- `\ifodd\thepage` changed to `\ifodd\value{page}`.

```

195  \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
196      \par
197      \begingroup
198          \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
199          \newpage
200          \vbadness=10000 %
201          \vfuzz=3ex %

```

```

202      \splittopskip=\z@skip
203      \loop%
204          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne%
205              \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
206                  \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
207                      \mbox{}%
208                      \newpage
209                  \else
210                      \global\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
211                  \fi
212              \else
213                  \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
214                      \null
215                      \newpage
216                  \else
217                      \global\ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
218                  \fi
219              \fi
220          \ifnum\ParallelWhichBox=\z@
221              \ifodd\value{page}%
222                  \null
223                  \newpage
224              \fi
225              \hbox to\textwidth{%
226                  \pcp@SetCurrent{Left}%
227                  \setbox\z@=\vsplit\ParallelLBox to.98\textheight
228                  \vbox to.98\textheight{%
229                      \texttop
230                      \unvbox\z@
231                      \textbottom
232                  }%
233              }%
234          \else
235              \ifodd\value{page}%
236              \else
237                  \mbox{}%
238                  \newpage
239              \fi
240              \hbox to\textwidth{%
241                  \pcp@SetCurrent{Right}%
242                  \setbox\z@=\vsplit\ParallelRBox to.98\textheight
243                  \vbox to.98\textheight{%
244                      \texttop
245                      \unvbox\z@
246                      \textbottom
247                  }%
248              }%
249          \fi
250          \vspace*\fill%
251          \newpage
252      \fi
253      \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
254          \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
255              \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
256          \fi
257      \fi
258      \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
259          \repeat
260          \par
261      \endgroup
262      \pcp@SetCurrent{}%
263  \fi

```

```
264 }
```

## 2.3 Color stack support

```
265 \RequirePackage{pdfcol}[2007/12/12]
266 \ifpdfcolAvailable
267 \else
268   \PackageInfo{pdfcolparallel}{%
269     Loading aborted, because color stacks are not available%
270   }%
271   \expandafter\endinput
272 \fi
273 \pdfcolInitStack{pcp@Left}
274 \pdfcolInitStack{pcp@Right}

\pcp@Box
275 \newbox\pcp@Box

\pcp@SwitchStack
276 \def\pcp@SwitchStack#1#2{%
277   \pdfcolSwitchStack{pcp@#1}%
278   \global\setbox\pcp@Box=\vbox to 0pt{%
279     \pdfcolSetCurrentColor
280   }%
281   \aftergroup\pcp@FixBox
282   \aftergroup#2%
283 }

\pcp@FixBox
284 \def\pcp@FixBox#1{%
285   \global\setbox#1=\vbox{%
286     \unvbox\pcp@Box
287     \unvbox#1%
288   }%
289 }

\pcp@SetCurrent
290 \def\pcp@SetCurrent#1{%
291   \ifx\\#1\\%
292     \pdfcolSetCurrent{}%
293   \else
294     \pdfcolSetCurrent{pcp@#1}%
295   \fi
296 }
```

## 2.4 Redefinitions

```
\ParallelParOnePage
297 \pcp@CmdCheckRedef\ParallelParOnePage{%
298   \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
299     \par
300     \begingroup
301       \leftmargin=\z@
302       \rightmargin=\z@
303       \parskip=\z@skip
304       \parindent=\z@
305       \vbadness=10000 %
306       \vfuzz=3ex %
307       \splittopskip=\z@skip
308       \loop
309         \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
```

```

310      \noindent
311      \hbox to\textwidth{%
312          \hspace{\ParallelLeftMargin}
313          \hbox to\ParallelTextWidth{%
314              \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
315                  \hspace{\ParallelLWidth}
316              \else
317                  \ParallelWhichBox=\z@%
318                  \vbox{%
319                      \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
320                          =\vsplit\ParallelLBox to\dp\strutbox
321                      \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
322                  }%
323              \fi
324              \strut
325              \ifnum\ParallelBoolMid=\@ne
326                  \hspace{\ParallelMainMidSkip}
327                  \vrule
328              \else
329                  \hss
330              \fi
331              \hss
332              \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
333                  \hspace{\ParallelRWidth}
334              \else
335                  \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
336                  \vbox{%
337                      \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
338                          =\vsplit\ParallelRBox to\dp\strutbox
339                      \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
340                  }%
341              \fi
342          }%
343      }%
344      \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
345          \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
346              \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
347          \fi
348          \fi%
349          \fi%
350          \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
351              \penalty\interlinepenalty
352              \repeat
353              \par
354          \endgroup
355      \fi
356  }%
357  \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
358      \par
359      \begingroup
360          \leftmargin=\z@
361          \rightmargin=\z@
362          \parskip=\z@skip
363          \parindent=\z@
364          \vbadness=10000 %
365          \vfuzz=3ex %
366          \splittopskip=\z@skip
367          \loop
368              \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
369                  \noindent
370                  \hbox to\textwidth{%
371                      \hspace{\ParallelLeftMargin}

```

```

372          \hbox to\ParallelTextWidth{%
373              \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
374                  \hskip\ParallelLWidth
375              \else
376                  \pcp@SetCurrent{Left}%
377                  \ParallelWhichBox=\z@
378                  \vbox{%
379                      \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
380                          =\vsplit\ParallelLBox to\dp\strutbox
381                      \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
382                  }%
383              \fi
384              \strut
385              \ifnum\ParallelBoolMid=\@ne
386                  \hskip\ParallelMainMidSkip
387                  \begingroup
388                      \pcp@RuleBetweenColor
389                      \vrule
390                  \endgroup
391              \else
392                  \hss
393              \fi
394              \hss
395              \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
396                  \hskip\ParallelRWidth
397              \else
398                  \pcp@SetCurrent{Right}%
399                  \ParallelWhichBox=\@ne
400                  \vbox{%
401                      \setbox\ParallelBoxVar
402                          =\vsplit\ParallelRBox to\dp\strutbox
403                      \unvbox\ParallelBoxVar
404                  }%
405              \fi
406          }%
407      }%
408      \ifvoid\ParallelLBox
409          \ifvoid\ParallelRBox
410              \global\ParallelBoolVar=\z@
411          \fi
412          \fi%
413      \fi%
414      \ifnum\ParallelBoolVar=\@ne
415          \penalty\interlinepenalty
416          \repeat
417          \par
418      \endgroup
419      \pcp@SetCurrent{}%
420  \fi
421 }

\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
422 \def\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault{%
423     \normalcolor
424 }

\pcp@RuleBetweenColor
425 \let\pcp@RuleBetweenColor\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
426 \RequirePackage{keyval}
427 \define@key{parallel}{rulebetweencolor}{%
428     \edef\pcp@temp{\#1}%

```

```

429 \ifx\pcp@temp\empty
430   \let\pcp@RuleBetweenColor\pcp@RuleBetweenColorDefault
431 \else
432   \edef\pcp@temp{%
433     \noexpand\@ifnextchar[%{
434       \def\noexpand\pcp@RuleBetweenColor{%
435         \noexpand\color\pcp@temp
436       }%
437       \noexpand\pcp@GobbleNil
438     }{%
439       \def\noexpand\pcp@RuleBetweenColor{%
440         \noexpand\color{\pcp@temp}%
441       }%
442       \noexpand\pcp@GobbleNil
443     }%
444     \pcp@temp\noexpand\@nil
445   }%
446   \pcp@temp
447 \fi
448 }

\pcp@GobbleNil
449 \long\def\pcp@GobbleNil#1\@nil{%
450 </package>

```

### 3 Test

The test file is a modified version of the file that Alexander Hirsch has posted in `de.comp.text.tex`: “`parallel.sty` und farbiger Text”<sup>1</sup>

```

451 {*test1}
452 \AtEndDocument{%
453   \typeout{}%
454   \typeout{*****}%
455   \typeout{*** \space Check the PDF file manually! \space ***}%
456   \typeout{*****}%
457   \typeout{}%
458 }
459 \documentclass{article}
460 \usepackage{xcolor}
461 \usepackage{pdfcolparallel}[2010/01/11]
462
463 \begin{document}
464   \color{green}%
465   Green%
466   \begin{Parallel}{0.47\textwidth}{0.47\textwidth}%
467     \ParallelLText{%
468       \textcolor{red}{%
469         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
470         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%%
471       }%
472     }%
473     \ParallelRText{%
474       \textcolor{blue}{%
475         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
476         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%%
477       }%
478     }%
479     \ParallelPar
480     \ParallelLText{%

```

---

<sup>1</sup>Url: <http://groups.google.com/group/de.comp.text.tex/msg/6a759cf33bb071a5>

```

481      Default %
482      \color{red}%
483      Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
484      Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
485 }%
486 \ParallelRText{%
487     Default %
488     \color{blue}%
489     Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
490     Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll.%
491 }%
492 \ParallelPar
493 \ParallelLText{%
494     \begin{enumerate}%
495         \item left text, left text, left text, left text, %
496             left text, left text, left text, left text,%
497         \item left text, left text, left text, left text, %
498             left text, left text, left text, left text.%
499     \end{enumerate}%
500 }%
501 \ParallelRText{%
502     \begin{enumerate}%
503         \item right text, right text, right text, right text, %
504             right text, right text, right text, right text.%%
505         \item right text, right text, right text, right text, %
506             right text, right text, right text, right text.%%
507     \end{enumerate}%
508 }%
509 \end{Parallel}%
510 \begin{Parallel}[p]{\textwidth}{\textwidth}%
511     \ParallelLText{%
512         \textcolor{red}{%
513             Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
514             Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
515             Foo bar bla bla bla.%}
516     }%
517     \par
518     Und noch ein Absatz.%%
519 }%
520 \ParallelRText{%
521     \textcolor{blue}{%
522         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
523         Ein Absatz, der sich ueber zwei Zeilen erstrecken soll. %
524         Foo bar bla bla bla.%}
525     }%
526 }%
527 \end{Parallel}%
528 \begin{Parallel}[p]{\textwidth}{\textwidth}%
529     \ParallelLText{%
530         \rule{1pt}{.98\textheight}\Huge g%
531     }%
532     \ParallelRText{%
533         \rule{1pt}{.98\textheight}y%
534     }%
535 \end{Parallel}%
536 Green%
537 \end{document}
538 
```

## 4 Installation

### 4.1 Download

**Package.** This package is available on CTAN<sup>2</sup>:

`CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.dtx` The source file.

`CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.pdf` Documentation.

**Bundle.** All the packages of the bundle ‘oberdiek’ are also available in a TDS compliant ZIP archive. There the packages are already unpacked and the documentation files are generated. The files and directories obey the TDS standard.

`CTAN:install/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek.tds.zip`

TDS refers to the standard “A Directory Structure for TeX Files” ([CTAN:tds.tds.pdf](#)). Directories with `texmf` in their name are usually organized this way.

### 4.2 Bundle installation

**Unpacking.** Unpack the `oberdiek.tds.zip` in the TDS tree (also known as `texmf` tree) of your choice. Example (linux):

```
unzip oberdiek.tds.zip -d ~/texmf
```

**Script installation.** Check the directory `TDSScripts/oberdiek/` for scripts that need further installation steps. Package `attachfile2` comes with the Perl script `pdfatfi.pl` that should be installed in such a way that it can be called as `pdfatfi`. Example (linux):

```
chmod +x scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl
cp scripts/oberdiek/pdfatfi.pl /usr/local/bin/
```

### 4.3 Package installation

**Unpacking.** The `.dtx` file is a self-extracting `docstrip` archive. The files are extracted by running the `.dtx` through plain-Tex:

```
tex pdfcolparallel.dtx
```

**TDS.** Now the different files must be moved into the different directories in your installation TDS tree (also known as `texmf` tree):

<code>pdfcolparallel.sty</code>	→ <code>tex/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.sty</code>
<code>pdfcolparallel.pdf</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.pdf</code>
<code>test/pdfcolparallel-test1.tex</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/oberdiek/test/pdfcolparallel-test1.tex</code>
<code>pdfcolparallel.dtx</code>	→ <code>source/latex/oberdiek/pdfcolparallel.dtx</code>

If you have a `docstrip.cfg` that configures and enables `docstrip`’s TDS installing feature, then some files can already be in the right place, see the documentation of `docstrip`.

### 4.4 Refresh file name databases

If your TeX distribution (teTeX, mikTeX, ...) relies on file name databases, you must refresh these. For example, teTeX users run `texhash` or `mktexlsr`.

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<sup>2</sup>[ftp://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/](http://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/)

## 4.5 Some details for the interested

**Attached source.** The PDF documentation on CTAN also includes the `.dtx` source file. It can be extracted by AcrobatReader 6 or higher. Another option is `pdftk`, e.g. unpack the file into the current directory:

```
pdftk pdfcolparallel.pdf unpack_files output .
```

**Unpacking with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.** The `.dtx` chooses its action depending on the format:

**plain-T<sub>E</sub>X:** Run `docstrip` and extract the files.

**L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X:** Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X for `docstrip` (really, `docstrip` does not need L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=y\input{pdfcolparallel.dtx}
```

Do not forget to quote the argument according to the demands of your shell.

**Generating the documentation.** You can use both the `.dtx` or the `.drv` to generate the documentation. The process can be configured by the configuration file `ltxdoc.cfg`. For instance, put this line into this file, if you want to have A4 as paper format:

```
\PassOptionsToClass{a4paper}{article}
```

An example follows how to generate the documentation with pdflat<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X:

```
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist pdfcolparallel.idx
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
makeindex -s gind.ist pdfcolparallel.idx
pdflatex pdfcolparallel.dtx
```

## 5 References

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## 6 History

**[2007/09/09 v1.0]**

- First version.

**[2007/12/12 v1.1]**

- Adds patch for setting `\ linewidth` to fix bug in package `parallel`.
- Package `parallel` is also fixed if color stacks are not available.
- Bug fix, switched stacks now initialized with current color.
- Fix for package `parallel`: `\raggedbottom` is respected.

[2008/08/11 v1.2]

- Code is not changed.
- URLs updated.

[2010/01/11 v1.3]

- Option ‘rulebetweencolor’ added.

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