TeX Live Typesetting Software

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The following notes document the steps to install TeX Live on OpenIndiana Hipster and how to update it using the tlmgr TeX Live package management tool.

To test a virtual machine running TeXLive on OpenIndiana, you can also run the texlive2021 example Vagrantfiles in the vagrantfiles repository:

```bash
# git clone https://github.com/openindiana/vagrantfiles
```

## 1 TeX Live tlmgr Management Tool

The TeX Live Management Tool has both a command line interface and a GUI. The GUI (tlmgr gui) uses Perl Tk and works on OpenIndiana. The following screenshot illustrates tlmgr and the Opendiana MATE desktop:

![Oi-Tlmgr](image)

**Figure 1: oi-tlmgr**

## 2 TeX Live Cross Platform Installer

See the full TeX Live guide at [http://tug.org/texlive](http://tug.org/texlive) for detailed information.

Download the TeX Live Cross Platform Installer from [http://mirror.ctan.org/systems/texlive/tlnet/install-tl-unx.tar.gz](http://mirror.ctan.org/systems/texlive/tlnet/install-tl-unx.tar.gz).
There is a script in this package, called install-tl. The goal is to install TeX Live using the cross platform installer as follows:

```bash
# install-tl
```

Before doing so, create a special BE (Boot Environment) if you plan to install TeX Live as root (installing as non-root user is recommended by TeX Live).

```bash
# beadm create -a texlive
```

Alternatively create a snapshot of the BE to have a possibility to rollback.

The install-tl script installs a utility called tlmgr, the package management utility for TeX Live and, in principle, tlmgr is able to remove (uninstall) a TeX Live installation:

```bash
# tlmgr remove --all
```

If you answer yes here the whole TeX Live installation here, under `/usr/texlive/2020`, will be removed!

```
Remove TeX Live (y/N): y
Ok, removing the whole installation:
```

A snapshot of the old BE or a special BE for TeX Live, allows one to rollback to the situation before install without having to use tlmgr to uninstall.

After rebooting into a new BE, run the perl installer script:

```bash
# install-tl --help
```

If you wish to use the TeX Live GUI, install the OpenIndiana Perl Tk package (the tk-perl IPS package is available on OpenIndiana release 2022 or higher):

```bash
# pkg install -v tk-perl
```

Then run the TeX Live installer GUI as follows:

```bash
# install-tl --gui
```

The next section discusses the interactive mode of the install-tl script.

### 3 TeX Live Cross Platform Installer Main Menus

The cross platform installer version 57337 of install-tl detects OpenIndiana as Solaris on Intel:

```bash
./install-tl --version
install-tl (TeX Live Cross Platform Installer) revision 57337
TeX Live (https://tug.org/texlive) version 2020
```

The command to detect the platform is:

```bash
./install-tl --print-arch
i386-solaris
```

The main menus in interactive mode are:

```bash
./install-tl
Loading http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet/tlpkg/texlive.tlpdb
Installing TeX Live 2020 from: http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet (verified)
```
Platform: i386-solaris => 'Solaris on Intel x86'
Distribution: net (downloading)
Using URL: http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet
Directory for temporary files: /tmp/eCcsGDKJWY

======================> TeX Live installation procedure <=====================

======> Letters/digits in <angle brackets> indicate <=======
======> menu items for actions or customizations < =======

Detected platform: Solaris on Intel x86

<<B> set binary platforms: 1 out of 16

<<S> set installation scheme: scheme-full

<<C> set installation collections:
40 collections out of 41, disk space required: 7130 MB

<<O> set directories:
TEXDIR (the main TeX directory):
!! default location: /usr/local/texlive/2020

<<O> options:
[ ] use letter size instead of A4 by default
[X] allow execution of restricted list of programs via \write18
[X] create all format files
[X] install macro/font doc tree
[X] install macro/font source tree
[ ] create symlinks to standard directories

<<V> set up for portable installation

Actions:
<<I> start installation to hard disk
<<P> save installation profile to 'texlive.profile' and exit
<<H> help
<<Q> quit

Enter command:

To add the 64bit executables go into menu “B”:

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Available platforms:

   a [ ] Cygwin on Intel x86 (i386-cygwin)
   b [ ] Cygwin on x86_64 (x86_64-cygwin)
   c [ ] MacOSX current (10.13-) on x86_64 (x86_64-darwin)
   d [ ] MacOSX legacy (10.6-) on x86_64 (x86_64-darwinlegacy)
   e [ ] FreeBSD on x86_64 (amd64-freebsd)
Select “p” to add Solaris on x86_64 for the TeX Live binaries for that architecture.

TeX Live works with "schemes"; the basic scheme (TeX and latex) requires about 270 MB of space:

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Select scheme:
  a [ ] full scheme (everything)
  b [ ] medium scheme (small + more packages and languages)
  c [ ] small scheme (basic + xetex, metapost, a few languages)
  d [X] basic scheme (plain and latex)
  e [ ] minimal scheme (plain only)
  f [ ] ConTeXt scheme
  g [ ] GUST TeX Live scheme
  h [ ] infrastructure-only scheme (no TeX at all)
  i [ ] teTeX scheme (more than medium, but nowhere near full)
  j [ ] custom selection of collections

Actions: (disk space required: 270 MB)
  <R> return to main menu
  <Q> quit

The default installation is going to /usr/local/texlive/2020, but in the Directories menu this can be changed:

Directories customization:

  <1> TEXDIR: /usr/texlive/2020
       main tree: /usr/texlive/2020/texmf-dist

  <2> TEXMFSYSCONFIG: /usr/texlive/2020/texmf-config
  <3> TEXMFVAR: ~/.texlive2020/texmf-var
  <4> TEXMFHOME: ~/.texlive2020/texmf-config

The installer can also create symbolic links such as /usr/bin/tex to the /usr/texlive/2020 binaries, as can be set in the Options menu:
Options customization:

<P> use letter size instead of A4 by default: [ ]
<E> execution of restricted list of programs: [X]
<F> create all format files: [X]
<D> install font/macro doc tree: [X]
<S> install font/macro source tree: [X]
<L> create symlinks in standard directories: [X]

binaries to: /usr/bin
manpages to: /usr/share/man
info to: /usr/share/info

4 TeX Live Package Manager Queries

After installation of TeX Live, it is possible to make queries on what is exactly installed:

# tlmgr info schemes
i scheme-basic: basic scheme (plain and latex)
  scheme-context: ConTeXt scheme
  scheme-full: full scheme (everything)
  scheme-gust: GUST TeX Live scheme
i scheme-infraonly: infrastructure-only scheme (no TeX at all)
  scheme-medium: medium scheme (small + more packages and languages)
i scheme-minimal: minimal scheme (plain only)
  scheme-small: small scheme (basic + xetex, metapost, a few languages)
  scheme-tetex: teTeX scheme (more than medium, but nowhere near full)

The above output shows that scheme-minimal, scheme-infraonly and scheme-basic were installed.

New updates can be retrieved from the repository. Unless a special repository was used during installation (with the –repository switch for install-tl), the output of the default package repository can be something like:

# tlmgr option repository
Default package repository (repository): http://ctan.cs.uu.nl/systems/texlive/tlnet

Information on specific packages can be obtained with tlmgr:

# tlmgr info babel
package: babel
category: Package
shortdesc: Multilingual support for Plain TeX or LaTeX
longdesc: This package manages culturally-determined typographical (and other) rules for a wide range of languages. A document may select a single language to be supported, or it may select several, in which case the document may switch from one language to another in a variety of ways. Babel uses contributed configuration files that provide the detail of what has to be done for each language. Included is also a set of ini files for about 200 languages. Many language styles work with pdfLaTeX, as well as with XeLaTeX and LuaLaTeX, out of the box. A few even work with plain formats.

installed: Yes
revision: 57530
sizes: src: 1469k, doc: 809k, run: 3729k
relocatable: No
cat-version: 3.53
cat-license: lppl1.3
cat-topics: multilingual
cat-related: polyglossia
cat-contact-repository: https://github.com/latex3/babel
cat-contact-bugs: https://github.com/latex3/babel/issues
collection: collection-latex

5 TeX Live Updating

Suppose that you have installed a version of TeX Live from a specific date:

```
# ./install-tl --repository https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2020/12/28/tlnet/
```

After installation, you have TeX Live from December 28, 2020.

It is possible then to change the repository and update to the latest version.

```
# tlmgr option repository https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2021/01/28/tlnet
```

```
tlmgr: setting default package repository to
https://texlive.info/tlnet-archive/2021/01/28/tlnet
```

```
tlmgr: updating /usr/texlive/2020/tlpkg/texlive.tlpdb
```

To update the packages of TeX Live to the default repository:

```
# tlmgr update --all
```

The TeX Live package management tool has its own mechanism of making backups:

```
/usr/texlive/2020/tlpkg/backups
```

6 Removing TeX Live

In principle, tlmgr is able to remove (uninstall) a TeX Live installation:

```
# tlmgr remove --all
```

If you answer yes here the whole TeX Live installation here, under /usr/texlive/2020, will be removed!

Remove TeX Live (y/N): y
Ok, removing the whole installation:
If you have made a BE (boot environment) from before the TeX Live installation you can also rollback to an older BE as an alternative to uninstalling the software with tlmgr.