

The rule-D Package

Rule Functions*

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At L^AT_EX 2 _{ε} you have command `\rule` to make horizontal and vertical rules and even boxes. Currently there's no L3 command for this. This module provides two new L3 functions for rules. The “-D” in the module name indicates, that currently the implementation uses deprecated functions like `\tex_vrule:D`. Nevertheless, the new rule functions aren't declared to be deprecated.

This package has been made only, because GS1 needs such rule functions. So maybe it's simply a helper package for GS1.

```
\rule:nn  {\<dimexprraise>} {\<dimexprwidth>} {\<dimexprheight>}\rule:nnn {\<dimexprwidth>} {\<dimexprheight>}
```

Draw a rule of width $\langle dimexpr_{width} \rangle$, height $\langle dimexpr_{height} \rangle$ and raise it by $\langle dimexpr_{raise} \rangle$. If the $\langle dimexpr_{raise} \rangle$ has not been given, the rule will be drawn at the base line.

1 rule-D implementation

```
1  {*package}
2  {@@=rule}
```

First of all we have to setup package information:

```
3  \ProvidesExplPackage
4    {rule-D} {\ExplFileVersion} {\ExplFileVersion}
5    {experimental-L3-rule-functions}
```

```
\rule:nn
\rule:nnn
6  \cs_new:Npn \rule:nn #1#2
7  {
8    \rule:nnn { \c_zero_dim } { #1 } { #2 }
9  }
10 \cs_new:Npn \rule:nnn #1#2#3
11  {
```

Following line is same like `\leavevmode`, but it's L^AT_EX3 instead of plainT_EX.

```
12  \hbox_unpack_drop:N \c_empty_box
13  \hbox:n
14  {
15    \tex_vrule:D width \dim_eval:n { #2 }
```

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```

16           height \dim_eval:n { #1 + #3 }
17           depth -\dim_eval:n { #1 }
18       }
19   }

(End definition for \rule:nn and \rule:nnn. These functions are documented on page 1.)
20 </package>

```

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