Support package for PT Sans

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1 Introduction

This package contains the LaTeX support for the font PT Sans developed by ParaType for the project Public Types of Russian Federation and released under an open user license. The font was designed by Alexandra Korolkova, Olga Umpeleva and Vladimir Yefimov. For more information see the web-site of ParaType.

PT Sans has four basic styles: regular, bold, italic, bold italic; two narrow styles: narrow, narrow bold, and two caption styles: caption and caption bold. The font covers standard Western, Central European and Cyrillic code pages and contains also characters of all title languages of Russian Federation.

This package supports encodings T1, OT1, IL2, TS1, T2A, T2B, T2C and X2. If there is some important encoding missing, let me know and I will try to add it to some future release.

The fonts are included in the original TrueType format and in the converted Type 1 format. Font PT Sans can be used together with the font PT Serif.
2 License

The font PT Sans is licensed under Paratype Free Font License (the license is included).

The fonts in TrueType format are original files provided by ParaType. The fonts in Type 1 format are not original files. They were converted by me using FontForge and may be distributed for \TeX{} only. The distribution of these converted fonts was kindly allowed by ParaType.

All the support files are licensed under \TeX{}Project Public License, either version 1.3 of this license or (at your option) any later version.

3 Implementation

The package was created using fontools but with some changes. The prefix of the encoding files was changed from \texttt{a} to \texttt{ptsans} to avoid name clashes. The style files are very different and font definition files include also font substitutions.

There are two map-files that you can use for the installation of the fonts with \texttt{updmap}: \texttt{PTSans-truetype.map} and \texttt{PTSans-type1.map}. You should use just one of them. The file \texttt{PTSans-type1.map} is a safe choice and you will get the full power of \TeX{}. If you just want to create PDF files with pdf\TeX{} or pdfL\TeX{} you can use the file \texttt{PTSans-truetype.map} and the original TrueType fonts will be used.

4 Using the Package

There are three families PTSans-TLF, PTSansNarrow-TLF and PTSansCaption-TLF that you can set with packages PTSans, PTSansNarrow and PTSansCaption. You must explicitly use the package \texttt{fontenc} or \texttt{textcomp} (if needed). For example:

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
\usepackage{PTSans}
\end{verbatim}

If you want to use this font together with another font with somewhat different proportions, you may use the option \texttt{scaled}:

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage[scaled=0.9]{PTSans}
\end{verbatim}

You might also want to change the default font family of the document:

\begin{verbatim}
\renewcommand{\familydefault}{\sfdefault}
\end{verbatim}

You can typeset some text in a desired font like this:

\begin{verbatim}
{\usefont{T1}{PTSansNarrow-TLF}{b}{n}Text in narrow bold font}
\end{verbatim}
5 Notes for Czech and Slovak Users

The width of these letters in the encoding IL2 was changed: dcaron in PT Sans Regular and PT Sans Bold and tcaron in PT Sans Bold. Now all letters dcaron, tcaron, lcaron and Lcaron have the same width as the unaccented letter. The encoding T1 was left untouched. You can see the differences in the following samples (first line is in T1 and second in IL2).

V kóduvání IL2 byla změněna šířka znaku ď ve fontech PT Sans Regular a PT Sans Bold, dále šířka znaku ť ve fontu PT Sans Bold. Nyní mají všechny znaky ď, ť, ã a ß stejnou šířku jako tytéž znaky bez háčku. Kóduvání T1 bylo ponecháno beze změny. Rozdíly je možno vidět v následujících ukázkách (první řádka je pro kóduvání T1, druhá pro IL2).

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6 Known Bugs

The narrow and caption styles are independent font families. It is your choice where you will use them.

I put letters Cyrillic letter short I with tail and Cyrillic letter EM with tail to the slots where the same letters but with descender should be. They are somewhat similar and some languages should use exactly these letters. I think it is better than leaving the slots empty.

Please send me bug reports and suggestions about this package.