

The morefloats package

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Abstract

The default limit of unprocessed floats, 18, can be increased with this `morefloats` package. Otherwise, `\clear(double)page`, `h(!)`, `H` from the `float` package, or `\FloatBarrier` from the `picins` package might help.

Note: \LaTeX 2015 provides the `\extrafloats` command. DON HOSEK, Quixote, 1990/07/27 (Thanks!) invented the main code for handling more floats before `\extrafloats` was available. DAVID CARLISLE pointed the maintainer to the new `\extrafloats` (Thanks!). The current maintainer is H.-MARTIN MÜNCH.

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1 Introduction

The default limit of unprocessed floats, 18, can be increased with this `morefloats` package.

“Of course one immediately begins to wonder: »Why eighteen?!« And it turns out that 18 one-line tables with 10 point Computer Modern using `article.cls` produces almost exactly one page worth of material.”

(user <https://tex.stackexchange.com/users/1495/kahen> as comment to <https://tex.stackexchange.com/a/35596/6865> on 2011/11/21)

As alternatives (see also section 3 below) `\clear(double)page`, `h(!)`, `H` from the `float` package, or `\FloatBarrier` from the `picins` package might help. If the floats cannot be placed anywhere at all, extending the number of floats will just delay the arrival of the corresponding error.

2 Usage

2.1 General usage:

Load the package placing

```
\usepackage[<options>]{morefloats}
```

in the preamble of your $\LaTeX 2_\epsilon$ source file (the earlier the better).

The `morefloats` package takes two options: `maxfloats` and `morefloats`, where `morefloats` gives the number of additional floats and `maxfloats` gives the maximum number of floats. `maxfloats=25` therefore means, that there are 18 (default) floats and 7 additional floats. `morefloats=7` therefore has the same meaning. It is only necessary to give one of these two options. At the time being, it is not possible to reduce the number of floats (for example to save boxes). If you have code accomplishing that, please send it to the package maintainer, thanks.

Version 1.0b used a fixed value of `maxfloats=36`. Therefore for backward compatibility this value is taken as the default one.

Example:

```
\usepackage[maxfloats=25]{morefloats}
```

or

```
\usepackage[morefloats=7]{morefloats}
```

or

```
\usepackage[maxfloats=25,morefloats=7]{morefloats}
```

2.2 Situation for \LaTeX before 2015:

`Float` uses `insert`, and each `insert` uses a group of `count`, `dimen`, `skip`, and `box` each. When there are not enough available, no `\newinsert` can be created. The `etex` package provides access at an extended range of those registers, but does not use those for `\newinsert`. Therefore the inserts must be reserved first, which forces the use of the extended register range for other new `count`, `dimen`, `skip`, and `box`: To have more floats available, use `\usepackage{etex}\reserveinserts{...}` right after `\documentclass[...]{...}`, where the argument of `\reserveinserts` should be at least the maximum number of floats. Add another 10 if the `bigfoot` or the `manyfoot` package is used, but `\reserveinserts` can be about 234 at most for older \LaTeX formats.

2.3 Situation for L^AT_EX since 2015:

Now `\reserveinserts` can be about 2147483647, but `\insert255{}` even then produces an error. The L^AT_EX 2015 “release provides a new command in the format `\extrafloats`”; “as it doesn’t use `\newinsert` (and as the 2015 format uses extended registers by default) you can allocate a lot more floats” (both DAVID CARLISLE, 29. June 2015), e.g. `\extrafloats{1234}`.

3 Alternatives (kind of)

The very old `morefloats` with a fixed number of `maxfloats=36` (i.e. 18 `morefloats`) has been archived at <http://mirror.ctan.org/obsolete/macros/latex/contrib/misc/morefloats.sty>.

If you really want to increase the number of (possible) floats, this is the right package. On the other hand, if you ran into trouble of Too many unprocessed floats, but would also accept less floats, there are some other possibilities:

- The command `\clearpage` forces L^AT_EX to output any floating objects that occurred before this command (and go to the next page). `\cleardoublepage` does the same but ensures that the next page with output is one with odd page number.
- Using different float specifiers: `t` top, `b` bottom, `p` page of floats.
- Suggesting L^AT_EX to put the object where it was placed: `h` (= here) float specifier.
- Telling L^AT_EX to please put the object where it was placed: `h!` (= here!) float specifier.
- Forcing L^AT_EX to put the object where it was placed and shut up: The float package provides the “style option here, giving floating environments a `[H]` option which means ‘PUT IT HERE’ (as opposed to the standard `[h]` option which means ‘You may put it here if you like’)” (float package documentation v1.3d as of 2001/11/08). Changing e.g. `\begin{figure}[tbp]...` to `\begin{figure}[H]...` forces the figure to be placed HERE instead of floating away.
The float package is available at <https://www.ctan.org/pkg/float>.
- The `placeins` package provides the command `\FloatBarrier`. Floats occurring before the `\FloatBarrier` are not allowed to float to a later place, and floats occurring after the `\FloatBarrier` are not allowed to float to an earlier place than the `\FloatBarrier`. (There can be more than one `\FloatBarrier` in a document.) – The same package also provides an option to automatically add `\FloatBarriers` to section headings. It is further possible to make `\FloatBarriers` less strict (see that package’s documentation).
The `placeins` package is available at <https://www.ctan.org/pkg/placeins>.
- Sometimes also increasing the maximum number (`\maxdeadcycles`) of calls of `\output` without a `\shipout` can help, for example `\maxdeadcycles=123\relax`.

See also the following entries in the UK List of TeX Frequently Asked Questions on the Web:

- <http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=floats>
- <http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=tmupfl>
- <http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=figurehere>

and the excellent article on “How to influence the position of float environments like figure and table in L^AT_EX?” by FRANK MITTELBACH at [https://tex.stackexchange.com/a/39020/6865!](https://tex.stackexchange.com/a/39020/6865)

(You programmed or found another alternative, which is available at CTAN? OK, send an e-mail to me with the name, location at CTAN, and a short notice, and I will probably include it in the list above.)

4 Example

```
1 (*example)
2 \documentclass[british]{article}[2014/09/29]% v1.4h
3 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
4 \usepackage[maxfloats=25]{morefloats}[2015/07/22]% v1.0h
5 %\maxdeadcycles=200\relax%
6 %% \maxdeadcycles is the maximum number of calls of \output
7 %% without a \shipout.
8 \gdef\unit#1{\mathord{\thinspace\mathrm{#1}}}%
9 \listfiles
10 \begin{document}
11
12 \makeatletter
13
14 \section*{Example for morefloats}
15 \markboth{Example for morefloats}{Example for morefloats}
16
17 This example demonstrates the use of package\newline
18 \textsf{morefloats}, v1.0h as of 2015/07/22 (HMM).\newline
19 The package takes options (here:
20 \verb|maxfloats=|\texttt{\morefloats@maxfloats} is used).\newline
21 For more details please see the documentation!\newline
22
23 To reproduce the\newline
24 \LaTeX{} \texttt{ Error: Too many unprocessed floats},\newline
25 comment out the \verb|\usepackage...| in the preamble
26 (line~3)\newline
27 (by placing a \% before it).\newline
28
29 \bigskip
30
31 Save per page about $200\unit{ml}$~water, $2\unit{g}$~CO$_{2}$
32 and $2\unit{g}$~wood:\newline
33 Therefore please print only if this is really necessary.\newline
34 I do NOT think, that it is necessary to print THIS file, really!
35
36 \bigskip
37
```

```

38 There follow \morefloats@maxfloats{} floating tables.
39
40 \pagebreak
41
42 \@tempcnta=18\relax% default floats
43 \advance\@tempcnta by \morefloats@morefloats%
44 % \morefloats@morefloats is the number of additional
45 % floating tables to create.
46 \loop
47   \ifnum\@tempcnta>0\relax%
48     \begin{table}[t]\centering%
49       \begin{tabular}{|l|}%
50         \hline%
51         A table, which will keep floating.\\%
52         \hline
53       \end{tabular}%
54       \caption{A floating Table.}%
55     \end{table}%
56     \advance\@tempcnta by -1\relax%
57 \repeat
58
59 \makeatother
60
61 \end{document}
62 \end{example}

```

5 The implementation

We start off by checking that we are loading into L^AT_EX 2_ε and announcing the name and version of this package.

```
63 (*package)
64 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}[2011/06/27]
65 %% The current format at the time of the release of this version of the
66 %% morefloats package was 2015/01/01, patch level 2.
67 \ProvidesPackage{morefloats}[2015/07/22 v1.0h]
68         Raise limit of unprocessed floats (HMM)
69
```

Options

```
70 \RequirePackage{kvoptions}[2011/06/30]% v3.11
71 %% morefloats may work with earlier versions of LaTeX2e and that
72 %% package, but this was not tested.
73 %% Please consider updating your LaTeX and package
74 %% to the most recent version (if they are not already the most
75 %% recent version).
76
77 \SetupKeyvalOptions{family=morefloats,prefix=morefloats@}
78 \DeclareStringOption{maxfloats}% \morefloats@maxfloats
79 \DeclareStringOption{morefloats}% \morefloats@morefloats
80
81 \ProcessKeyvalOptions*
82
```

The morefloats package takes two options: `maxfloats` and `morefloats`, where `morefloats` gives the number of additional floats and `maxfloats` gives the maximum number of floats. `maxfloats=37` therefore means, that there are 18 (default) floats and another 19 additional floats. `morefloats=19` therefore has the same meaning. Version 1.0b used a fixed value of `maxfloats=36`. Therefore for backward compatibility this value will be taken as the default one.

Now we check whether `maxfloats=...` or `morefloats=...` or both were used, and if one option was not used, we supply the according value. If no option was used at all, we use the default values. Too many requested floats produce error messages by L^AT_EX, which might not be easily traced back to this, therefore we issue a warning. If option `maxfloats` or `morefloats` is no number, the user will received the according error message by L^AT_EX automatically.

```
83 \ifx\morefloats@maxfloats\empty%
84   \ifx\morefloats@morefloats\empty% apply defaults:
85     \gdef\morefloats@maxfloats{36}%
86     \gdef\morefloats@morefloats{18}%
87   \else%
88     \ifnum\morefloats@morefloats>1569\relax%
89       \PackageWarning{morefloats}{%
90         \morefloats@morefloats\space more floats requested.\MessageBreak%
91         LaTeX might run out of memory before this.\MessageBreak%
92         (in which case it will notify you).\MessageBreak%
93       }%
94     \else%
95       \PackageInfo{morefloats}{%
96         \morefloats@morefloats\space more floats requested.\MessageBreak%
97         LaTeX might run out of memory before this.\MessageBreak%
98         (in which case it will notify you).\MessageBreak%
99       }%
100    \fi%
```

```

101 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@morefloats\relax%
102 \advance\@tempcnta by +18%
103 \xdef\morefloats@maxfloats{\the\@tempcnta}%
104 \fi%
105 \else%
106 \ifx\morefloats@morefloats\empty%
107 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@maxfloats\relax%
108 \advance\@tempcnta by -18%
109 \xdef\morefloats@morefloats{\the\@tempcnta}%
110 \ifnum\morefloats@morefloats<\z@\relax% i.e. \morefloats@maxfloats < 18
111 \gdef\morefloats@morefloats{0}%
112 \fi%
113 \ifnum\morefloats@maxfloats>1587\relax%
114 \PackageWarning{morefloats}{%
115 \morefloats@maxfloats\space floats requested.\MessageBreak%
116 LaTeX might run out of memory before this\MessageBreak%
117 (in which case it will notify you)\MessageBreak%
118 }%
119 \fi%
120 \fi%
121 \fi%
122
123 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@maxfloats\relax%
124 \xdef\morefloats@max{\the\@tempcnta}%
125
126 \ifnum\@tempcnta<18\relax%
127 \PackageError{morefloats}{Option maxfloats is \the\@tempcnta<18}{%
128 maxfloats must be a number equal to or larger than 18\MessageBreak%
129 (or not used at all).\MessageBreak%
130 Now setting maxfloats=18.\MessageBreak%
131 }%
132 \gdef\morefloats@max{18}%
133 \fi%
134
135 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@morefloats\relax%
136 \xdef\morefloats@more{\the\@tempcnta}%
137
138 \ifnum\@tempcnta<\z@\relax%
139 \PackageError{morefloats}{Option morefloats is \the\@tempcnta<0}{%
140 morefloats must be a number equal to or larger than 0\MessageBreak%
141 (or not used at all).\MessageBreak%
142 Now setting morefloats=0.\MessageBreak%
143 }%
144 \gdef\morefloats@more{0}%
145 \fi%
146
147 \@tempcnta=18\relax%
148 \advance\@tempcnta by \morefloats@more%
149 \advance\@tempcnta by -\morefloats@max%
150 \xdef\morefloats@mx{\the\@tempcnta}%
151 \ifnum\morefloats@mx=\z@\relax%
152 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@maxfloats\relax%
153 \else%
154 \PackageError{morefloats}{%
155 Clash between options maxfloats and morefloats}{%

```



```

156 Option maxfloats must be empty\MessageBreak%
157 or the sum of 18 and option value morefloats,\MessageBreak%
158 but it is maxfloats=\morefloats@maxfloats\space and %
159 morefloats=\morefloats@morefloats .\MessageBreak%
160 }%

```

We choose the larger value to be used.

```

161 \ifnum\@tempcnta<z@% \morefloats@max > \morefloats@more
162 \@tempcnta=\morefloats@maxfloats\relax%
163 \else% \@tempcnta>0, \morefloats@max < \morefloats@more
164 \@tempcnta=18\relax%
165 \advance\@tempcnta by \morefloats@morefloats%
166 \fi%
167 \fi%
168 \edef\morefloats@mx{\the\@tempcnta}%

```

Maybe we had to change `\morefloats@maxfloats` or `\morefloats@maxfloats`:

```

169 \xdef\morefloats@maxfloats{\the\@tempcnta}%
170 \advance\@tempcnta by -18\relax%
171 \xdef\morefloats@morefloats{\the\@tempcnta}%
172 \gdef\morefloats@test{1}%
173 \ifx\morefloats@morefloats\morefloats@test\relax%
174 \PackageInfo{morefloats}{%
175 Maximum number of possible floats asked for: \morefloats@maxfloats%
176 \MessageBreak%
177 (i.e. one more float)\@gobble%
178 }%
179 \else%
180 \PackageInfo{morefloats}{%
181 Maximum number of possible floats asked for: \morefloats@maxfloats%
182 \MessageBreak%
183 (i.e. \morefloats@morefloats\space more floats).\MessageBreak%
184 LaTeX might run out of memory before this\MessageBreak%
185 (in which case it will notify you)%
186 \@gobble%
187 }%
188 \fi%
189
190

```

The L^AT_EX 2015 “release provides a new command in the format `\extrafloats` which does a similar job [as earlier versions of this package did], although as it doesn’t use `\newinsert` (and as the 2015 format uses extended registers by default) you can allocate a lot more floats,” e.g. `\extrafloats{1234}`. Loading the `etex` package and `morefloats` with the new format would “over-write the new allocation mechanism and end up with fewer floats available.” Therefore here it is tested “for the new format and switch[ed] to the new mechanism in that case, so that existing documents work as before but using the new allocation scheme underneath.” (all DAVID CARLISLE, 29. June 2015, who provided also main parts of the following code)

```

191 %% Test for new mechanism in LaTeX 2015:
192 \ifx\e@alloc\@undefined\relax%
193 %% This is an old LaTeX format, \extrafloats is not available.
194 \PackageWarning{morefloats}{%
195 \fmtname\space <\fmtversion> %
196 \ifx\patch@level\@undefined\relax%
197 \else patch level \patch@level%
198 \fi%

```

```

199 \MessageBreak%
200 found. At least\MessageBreak%
201 LaTeX2e <2015/01/01> patch level 2\MessageBreak%
202 is now available\MessageBreak%
203 and can handle even more floats%
204 \@gobble%
205 }%
206 \else%
207 %% This is new in LaTeX 2015, \extrafloats is available.
208 \@ifpackageloaded{etex}%
209 {% etex package loaded:
210 %% "it overwrites all the new allocation system
211 %% so really \extrafloats shouldn't be expected to work"
212 %% (D. Carlisle, 2015/07/16, who also provided the following
213 %% \extrafloats redefinition).
214 \gdef\extrafloats#1{%
215 \ifnum#1>\z@\relax%
216 \count@\numexpr\float@count-1\relax%
217 \ch@ck0\count@\count\relax%
218 \ch@ck1\count@\dimen\relax%
219 \ch@ck2\count@\skip\relax%
220 \ch@ck4\count@\box\relax%
221 \e@alloc@chardef\float@count\count@%
222 \expandafter\e@alloc@chardef\csname bx@\the\float@count\endcsname\float@count%
223 \@cons@\freelist{\csname bx@\the\float@count\endcsname}%
224 \expandafter%
225 \extrafloats\expandafter{\numexpr#1-1\relax}%
226 \fi%
227 }%
228 }{% etex package not loaded
229 }%
230 \extrafloats{\morefloats@morefloats}%
231 % The part after the test is no longer needed and therefore not loaded:
232 \expandafter\endinput%
233 \fi%
234 %% End of the test for LaTeX 2015 (or newer).
235 %% Not new format, otherwise the last \endinput would have been applied.
236
237 %% Test for e-TeX:
238 \RequirePackage{ifetex}[2011/12/15]% v1.2
239 \ifetex%
240 %% then we can use code similar to the one from David Carlisle,
241 %% https://tex.stackexchange.com/a/212483/6865
242 \mathchardef\float@count=32767\relax%
243 \gdef\extrafloats#1{%
244 \ifnum#1>\z@\relax%
245 \count@\numexpr\float@count-1\relax%
246 \ch@ck0\count@\count\relax%
247 \ch@ck1\count@\dimen\relax%
248 \ch@ck2\count@\skip\relax%
249 \ch@ck4\count@\box\relax%
250 \mathchardef\float@count\count@\relax%
251 \expandafter\mathchardef\csname bx@\the\float@count\endcsname\float@count%
252 \@cons@\freelist{\csname bx@\the\float@count\endcsname}%
253 \expandafter%
254 \extrafloats\expandafter{\numexpr#1-1\relax}%
255 \fi}%
256 \extrafloats{\morefloats@morefloats}%

```

```
257 \expandafter\endinput%
258 \fi%
259 %% End of the test for e-TeX.
260 %% Old format and not e-TeX,
261 %% otherwise the last \endinput would have been applied.
262
263
```

If we ever come to this place, “everything” failed and we need to do things the old fashioned way, which severely limits the maximum number of additionally available floats.

```
264 \PackageWarning{morefloats}{%
265   e-TeX is not available here\MessageBreak%
266   but it is available in almost all\MessageBreak%
267   recent TeX distributions.\MessageBreak%
268   Maybe consider updating to one of those%
269   \@gobble%
270 }%
271
```

Float uses `insert`, and each `insert` use a group of `count`, `dimen`, `skip`, and `box` each. When there are not enough available, no `\newinsert` can be created.

```

272 %% Code similar to the one from Heiko Oberdiek,
273 %% http://permalink.gmane.org/gmane.comp.tex.latex.latex3/2159
274 \tempcnta=\the\count10 \relax \def\maxfloats@vln{count} %
275 \ifnum \count11>\tempcnta \tempcnta=\the\count11 \relax \def\maxfloats@vln{dimen} \fi%
276 \ifnum \count12>\tempcnta \tempcnta=\the\count12 \relax \def\maxfloats@vln{skip} \fi%
277 \ifnum \count14>\tempcnta \tempcnta=\the\count14 \relax \def\maxfloats@vln{box} \fi%
278 %% end similar
279 \tempcntb=234\relax%
280 \advance\tempcntb by -\tempcnta\relax%
281 \tempcnta=\tempcntb\relax%
282 \ifnum\morefloats@mx>\tempcntb\relax%
283 \PackageError{morefloats}{Too many floats requested}{%
284   Maximum number of possible floats asked for: \morefloats@mx .\MessageBreak%
285   There are only \the\tempcnta\space \maxfloats@vln\space left,\MessageBreak%
286   therefore only \the\tempcntb\space floats will be possible.\MessageBreak%
287   Load the morefloats package earlier and/or\MessageBreak%
288   reduce the number of used \maxfloats@vln\space registers\MessageBreak%
289   to have more floats available!\MessageBreak%
290 }%
291 \xdef\morefloats@mx{\the\tempcntb}%
292 \fi%
293

```

The task at hand is to increase L^AT_EX's default limit of 18 unprocessed floats in memory at once to `maxfloats`. An examination of `latex.tex` reveals that this is accomplished by allocating (!) an insert register for each unprocessed float. A quick check of (the obsolete, now `lplain`, update to L^AT_EX2e!) `lplain.lis` reveals that there is room, in fact, for up to 256 unprocessed floats, but T_EX's main memory could be exhausted well before that happened.

L^AT_EX2e uses a `\dimen` for each `\newinsert`, and the number of `\dimens` is also restricted. Therefore only use the number of floats you need! To check the number of used registers, you could use the `regstats` and/or `regcount` packages (see subsection 6.1).

Allocating insert
registers
@freelist
@elt
newinsert

First we allocate the additional insert registers needed.

That accomplished, the next step is to define the macro `\@freelist`, which is merely a list of the box registers each preceded by `\@elt`. This approach allows processing of the list to be done far more efficiently. A similar approach is used by MITTELBACH & SCHÖPF's `doc.sty` to keep track of control sequences, which should not be indexed.

First for the 18 default L^AT_EX boxes.

`\ifnum maxfloats <= 18`, L^AT_EX already allocated the insert registers. `\fi`

```
294 \global\long\def\@freelist{\@elt\bx@A\@elt\bx@B\@elt\bx@C\@elt\bx@D\@elt\bx@E\@elt\bx@F\@elt\bx@G\@elt\bx@H\@elt\
295 \bx@I\@elt\bx@J\@elt\bx@K\@elt\bx@L\@elt\bx@M\@elt\bx@N\@elt\bx@O\@elt\bx@P\@elt\bx@Q\@elt\bx@R}
296
```

Now we need to add `\@elt\bx@...` depending on the number of `morefloats` wanted:
(KARL BERRY helped with two out of three `\expandafters`, thanks!)

13

```
297 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 18 \newinsert\bx@S \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@S}
298 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 19 \newinsert\bx@T \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@T}
299 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 20 \newinsert\bx@U \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@U}
300 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 21 \newinsert\bx@V \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@V}
301 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 22 \newinsert\bx@W \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@W}
302 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 23 \newinsert\bx@X \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@X}
303 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 24 \newinsert\bx@Y \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@Y}
304 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 25 \newinsert\bx@Z \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@Z}
305 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 26 \newinsert\bx@AA \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@AA}
306 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 27 \newinsert\bx@AB \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@AB}
307 \ifnum \morefloats@mx> 28 \newinsert\bx@AC \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\@freelist\expandafter{\@freelist \@elt\bx@AC}
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```

535 \ifnum \morefloats@mx>256\relax%
536 \PackageError{morefloats}{Too many floats called for}{%
537   You requested more than 256 floats.\MessageBreak%
538   (\morefloats@mx\space to be precise.)\MessageBreak%
539   LaTeX before 2015 could not process\MessageBreak%
540   more than 256 floats, therefore the morefloats\MessageBreak%
541   package only provides 256 floats.\MessageBreak%
542   If you need more floats,\MessageBreak%
543   update to a current (>=2015) LaTeX distribution.\MessageBreak%
544   I expected LaTeX (prior 2015) to run out of dimensions\MessageBreak%
545   or memory long before reaching 256 floats anyway.\MessageBreak%
546 }%
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560 \fi \fi \fi \fi \fi
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562 \end{package}

```

6 Installation

6.1 Downloads

Everything is available at <https://www.ctan.org>, but may need additional packages themselves.

`morefloats.dtx` For unpacking the `morefloats.dtx` file and constructing the documentation it is required:

- T_EXFormat L^AT_EX 2_ε: <https://www.CTAN.org>
- document class ltxdoc, 2015/03/26, v2.0w, <https://www.ctan.org/pkg/ltxdoc>
- package fontenc, 2005/09/27, v1.99g, <https://ctan.org/pkg/fontenc>
- package pdfscape, 2008/08/11, v0.10, <https://ctan.org/pkg/pdfscape>
- package holtxdoc, 2012/03/21, v0.24, <https://ctan.org/pkg/holtxdoc>
- package hypdoc, 2011/08/19, v1.11, <https://ctan.org/pkg/hypdoc>

`morefloats.sty` The `morefloats.sty` for L^AT_EX 2_ε (i.e. each document using the `morefloats` package) requires:

- T_EXFormat L^AT_EX 2_ε, <https://www.CTAN.org/>
- package kvoptions, 2011/06/30, v3.11, <https://ctan.org/pkg/kvoptions>
- package ifetex, 2011/12/15, v1.2, <https://ctan.org/pkg/ifetex>, is used in some cases

`regstats` To check the number of used registers it was mentioned:

`regcount`

- package regstats, <https://ctan.org/pkg/regstats>
- package regcount, <https://ctan.org/pkg/regcount>

`Oberdiek` All packages of HEIKO OBERDIEK's bundle 'oberdiek' (especially `holtxdoc`, `hypdoc`, and `kvoptions`) are also available in a TDS compliant ZIP archive:
`holtxdoc` <http://mirror.ctan.org/install/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek.tds.zip>.
`hypdoc` It is probably best to download and use this, because the packages in there are quite probably both recent and compatible among themselves.

`hyperref` `hyperref` is not included in that bundle and needs to be downloaded separately, <http://mirror.ctan.org/install/macros/latex/contrib/hyperref.tds.zip>.

Münch A hyperlinked list of my (other) packages can be found at <https://www.ctan.org/author/muench-hm>.

6.2 Package, unpacking TDS

Package. This package is available on <https://www.CTAN.org>.

<http://mirror.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/morefloats/morefloats.dtx>
The source file.

<http://mirror.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/morefloats/morefloats.pdf>
The documentation.

<http://mirror.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/morefloats/README>

The README file.

There is also a `morefloats.tds.zip` available:

<http://mirror.ctan.org/install/macros/latex/contrib/morefloats.tds.zip>

Everything in TDS compliant, compiled format.

which additionally contains

<code>morefloats.ins</code>	The installation file.
<code>morefloats.drv</code>	The driver to generate the documentation.
<code>morefloats.sty</code>	The <code>.style</code> file.
<code>morefloats-example.tex</code>	The example file.
<code>morefloats-example.pdf</code>	The compiled example file.

For required other packages, please see the preceding subsection.

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

```
tex morefloats.dtx
```

About generating the documentation see paragraph 6.4 below.

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

<code>morefloats.sty</code>	→ <code>tex/latex/morefloats/morefloats.sty</code>
<code>morefloats.pdf</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/morefloats/morefloats.pdf</code>
<code>morefloats-example.tex</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/morefloats/morefloats-example.tex</code>
<code>morefloats-example.pdf</code>	→ <code>doc/latex/morefloats/morefloats-example.pdf</code>
<code>morefloats.dtx</code>	→ <code>source/latex/morefloats/morefloats.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.

6.3 Refresh file name databases

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

6.4 Some details for the interested

Unpacking with \LaTeX . The `.dtx` chooses its action depending on the format:

plain \TeX : Run docstrip and extract the files.

\LaTeX : Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using \LaTeX for docstrip (really, docstrip does not need \LaTeX), then inform the autodetect routine about your intention:

```
latex \let\install=y\input{morefloats.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 a configuration file `ltxdoc.cfg`. For instance, put the following 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 pdfL^AT_EX:

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

6.5 Compiling the example

The example file, `morefloats-example.tex`, can be compiled via `(pdf)latex morefloats-example.tex`.

7 Acknowledgements

L^AT_EX 2015 provides the `\extrafloats` command. DON HOSEK, Quixote, 1990/07/27 (Thanks!) invented the main code for handling more floats before `\extrafloats` was available. DAVID CARLISLE pointed the maintainer to the new `\extrafloats` and provided the code for `\extrafloats` in case `\extrafloats` is not yet available at the used system (Thanks!). The current maintainer is H.-MARTIN MÜNCH.

I would like to thank additionally KARL BERRY for helping with taking over the maintainership of this package and two missing `\expandafters`, HEIKO OBERDIEK for providing a lot (!) of useful packages (from which I also got everything I know about creating a file in `dtx` format, ok, say it: copying), everybody of the CTAN team for managing CTAN, and the `news:comp.text.tex` and `news:de.comp.text.tex` newsgroups and everybody at <http://tex.stackexchange.com/> for their help in all things T_EX.

8 History

Some old versions have been archived at

<http://ctanhg.scharrer-online.de/pkg/morefloats.html>.

[1990/07/27 v1.0a]

- Created by DON HOSEK.

[2008/11/14 v1.0b]

- CLEA F. REES added a license line.

[2010/09/20 v1.0c]

- `.dtx` created by H.-MARTIN MÜNCH.
- Included more documentation and alternatives.
- Included options to allow the user to flexible choose the number of floats from 18 up to 256 instead of fixed 36.
- Included an example file.
- Created a README file.

[2011/02/01 v1.0d]

- References to <http://www.tex.ac.uk/cgi-bin/texfaq2html?label=figurehere> and <http://mirror.ctan.org/obsolete/macros/latex/contrib/misc/morefloats.sty> added.
- Now using the `lscope` package from the `graphics` bundle to print some pages of the documentation in landscape instead of portrait mode, because they were way too wide. (*Since v1.0e replaced by `pdfscape` package.*)
- Updated the version of the `hyperref` package. (*Since version 1.0e the `morefloats` package uses a fixed version of the `holtxdoc` package, which calls for the right version of the `hyperref` package, therefore it is no longer necessary to give the recent version of the `hyperref` package here.*)

[2011/07/10 v1.0e]

- There is a new version of the used `kvoptions` package.
- Now using the `pdfscape` package instead of the `lscope` package in the documentation.
- The `holtxdoc` package was fixed, therefore the warning in `drv` could be removed. – Adapted the style of this documentation to new OBERDIEK `dtx` style.

[2012/01/28 v1.0f]

- Bug fix: wrong path given in the documentation, fixed.
- Replaced `\global\edef` by `\xdef`.
- No longer uses a counter for itself but temporary ones. (For the floats of course inserts and therefore counts are still used.)
- The number of available inserts is checked before the allocation.
- Maximum number of floats/inserts is 256, not 266; corrected.
- Quite some additional changes in the `dtx` and README files.

[2015/07/16 v1.0g]

- Implemented the new `\extrafloats` from L^AT_EX 2015 allowing several hundreds of additional floats.
- Update of documentation, README, and `dtx` internals.

[2015/07/22 v1.0h]

- Handling of more floats depending on new/old L^AT_EX format, availability of ε -T_EX in the used distribution, and loading of the `etex` package (before `morefloats`/after `morefloats`/not at all) should now ensure that the maximum number for available floats can be allocated.
- The example file now uses a flexible number of floats.

When you find a mistake or have a suggestion for an improvement of this package, please send an e-mail to the maintainer, thanks! (Please see BUG REPORTS in the README.)

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