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1 Introduction

1.1 Description

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API is a component to create, extract, assemble, and modify PDF documents. The interface is based on a comprehensive object model, which reflects the functional range of PDF and PDF/A.

The interface is designed in a way that it can be easily enhanced. It will continuously be adapted to new requirements, such as the evolvement of the PDF/A standard. The component ensures that all PDF/A provisions are enforced, such as file formatting rules, the embedding of fonts and color profiles, and many more.

1.2 Functions

1.2.1 Features

Document assembly

- Copy pages from existing PDFs
- Copy annotations, form fields, links, logical structure, destinations, outlines, layers
- Flatten annotations, form fields, signatures
- Optimize resources
- Crop and rotate pages
- Free composition of content: overlays, underlays, stamps, transformations
- Encryption: user password, owner password, permissions
- Copy and modify document metadata
- Copy and modify page metadata
- Add embedded files and associated files
- Get and set OpenAction destination

Generation

Document Level

- Create pages
- Create form fields
  - General text fields and comb text fields
  - Check boxes
  - Radio buttons
  - List boxes
  - Combo boxes
- Create new outline items and insert them at any position in the tree
- Destinations: Named and direct destinations in the same document

Page Content Level

- Create new PDF content from scratch
Apply content to existing pages

**Colors**
- Device colors: RGB, CMYK and grayscale
- ICC color profiles
- Transparency: alpha and blend mode

**Paths**
- Single and multi-segment lines
- Rectangle, circle, Bezier curves, ellipse, arc, pie
- Filling, stroking, clipping and combinations thereof
- Line width, cap, join, dash array, dash phase and miter limit
- Inside rule: nonzero winding rule, even/odd rule

**Text**
- Font size, character spacing, word spacing
- Horizontal scaling, leading, rise
- Enables simple text layouting
- Standard PDF fonts, installed fonts
- Font metrics: italic angle, ascent, descent, cap height, character width
- Unicode characters
- Text stroke: line width, line join and dashes
- Fill and stroke text, invisible text
- Use text as clipping path

**Images**
- Bi-level: CCITT G3, G3 2D and G4, Flate, LZW, Packbits, uncompressed
- 4 bit and 8 bit grayscale: Flate, LZW, Packbits, JPEG and JPEG-6 (8 bit only), uncompressed
- RGB: Flate, JPEG and JPEG-6, LZW, Packbits, uncompressed

**Transformations**
- Translation
- Scaling
- Skewing (horizontal, vertical)
- Rotation

**Page Annotations**
- Web link annotations

**Modification**

**Page Content**
- Selective copying of content elements (without markup)
- Geometric transformation of content elements

**Page Annotations**
- Web link annotations' target URIs

**Form Fields**
- Deletion of fields and modification of field values for
  - General text fields and comb text fields
  - Check boxes
  - Radio buttons
  - List boxes
  - Combo boxes

**Extraction**

**Document and Page**
- Document information entries: title, author, subject, keywords, creator, producer, creation date, modification date
- Document XMP metadata
- Document encryption settings
- Embedded files
- Page bounding boxes: media box, crop box, bleed box, trim box, art box
- Page XMP metadata
- Outline item tree: Tree structure, item title, expanded/collapsed
- Destinations: Named and direct destinations in the same document

**Content**

Page's and group's content elements including
- Bounding box
- Affine transformation

As either of the following:
- Group element
- Image element
  - Width and height in pixel
  - Bits per component
  - Color space
- Image mask element
  - Width and height in pixel
  - Paint for filling the mask
- Path element
  - Alignment box
  - Fill parameters including paint and fill rule
  - Stroke parameters including line paint and line style
Shading element
Text element
  Text fragments
    Bounding box
    Affine transformation
    Unicode string
    Fill parameters including paint and fill rule
    Stroke parameters including line paint and line style

Annotations
  Annotations: location
  Link annotations: target destination or URI
  Signature fields: name, location, reason, contact info, date, visibility

AcroForm Form Fields
  Form field identifiers, export names and user names, including form field hierarchy
  Form field export and display content of:
    Push buttons
    Check boxes
    Radio buttons
    General text fields and comb text fields
    List boxes
    Combo boxes

1.2.2 Formats

Supported PDF Formats
  PDF 1.x (PDF 1.0, …, PDF 1.7)
  PDF 2.0
  PDF/A-1, PDF/A-2, PDF/A-3

Supported Image Formats
  BMP
  DIB
  JPEG
  JPEG2000
  JBIG2
  PNG
  GIF
  TIFF

Supported Font Formats
  Type1
  TrueType
1.2.3 Conformance

Standards:
- ISO 32000-1 (PDF 1.7)
- ISO 32000-2 (PDF 2.0)
- ISO 19005-1 (PDF/A-1)
- ISO 19005-2 (PDF/A-2)
- ISO 19005-3 (PDF/A-3)

1.3 Interfaces

The following interfaces are available:
- C
- Java
- .NET Framework
- .NET Core

1.4 Operating Systems

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API is available for the following operating systems:
- Windows Client 7+ | x86 and x64
- Linux:
  - Red Hat, CentOS, Oracle Linux 7+ | x64
  - Fedora 29+ | x64
  - Debian 8+ | x64
  - Other: Linux kernel 2.6+, GCC toolset 4.8+ | x64
- macOS 10.10+ | x64

‘+’ indicates the minimum supported version.

1.5 How to Best Read this Manual

If you are reading this manual for the first time, i.e. would like to evaluate the software, the following steps are suggested.
1. Read the chapter Introduction to verify this product meets your requirements.
2. Identify what interface your programming language uses.
3. Read and follow the instructions in the chapter Installation and Deployment.
4. In the chapter Zip Archive find your programming language. Please note that not every language is covered in this manual.
   For most programming languages there is sample code available. For a start it is generally best to refer to these samples rather than writing code from scratch.
5. (Optional) Read the chapter User's Guide for general information about the API. Read the Interface Reference for specific information about the functions of the API.

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1 Limited supported OS versions. Operating Systems
2 Installation and Deployment

2.1 Windows

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API comes as a ZIP archive or as a NuGet package.

The installation of the software requires the following steps.

1. You need administrator rights to install this software.
   If you have no active downloads available or cannot log in, please contact pdfsales@pdf-tools.com for assistance.
   You will find different versions of the product available. We suggest to download the version, which is selected by default. A different version can be selected using the combo box.
   The product comes as a Zip Archive containing all files, or as a NuGet Package containing all files for development in .NET.
   There is a 32 and a 64-bit version of the product available. While the 32-bit version runs on both, 32 and 64-bit platforms, the 64-bit version runs on 64-bit platforms only. The ZIP archive as well as the NuGet package contain both the 32-bit and the 64-bit version of the product.
3. If you are using the ZIP archive, do the following. Unzip the archive to a local folder, e.g. C:\Program Files\PDF Tools AG\.
   This creates the following subdirectories (see also Zip Archive):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subdirectory</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>bin</td>
<td>Contains the runtime executable binaries.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>doc</td>
<td>Contains documentation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>include</td>
<td>Contains header files to include in your C/C++ project.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>jar</td>
<td>Contains Java archive files for Java components.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lib</td>
<td>Contains the object file library to include in your C/C++ project.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>samples</td>
<td>Contains sample programs in various programming languages</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4. The usage of the NuGet package is described in section NuGet Package.
5. (Optional) Register your license key using the License Management.
6. Identify which interface you are using. Perform the specific installation steps for that interface described in Interface Specific Installation Steps.
7. Ensure the cache directory exists as described in chapter Special Directories.
8. Make sure your platform meets the requirements regarding fonts described in chapter Fonts.

2.2 Linux and macOS

This section describes installation steps required on Linux or macOS.

The Linux and macOS version of the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides two interfaces:
- Java interface
- Native C interface

Here is an overview of the files that come with the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API:
File Description

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>bin/x64/libPdfToolboxAPI.so</td>
<td>This is the shared library that contains the main functionality. The file's extension differs on macOS (.dylib instead of .so).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>doc/<em>.</em></td>
<td>Documentation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>include/<em>.</em></td>
<td>Contains header files to include in your C/C++ project.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>jar/PdfToolboxAPI.jar</td>
<td>Java API archive.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>samples</td>
<td>Example code.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 2.2.1 Linux

1. Unpack the archive in an installation directory, e.g. /opt/pdf-tools.com/
2. Verify that the GNU shared libraries required by the product are available on your system:

   ```bash
   ldd libPdfToolboxAPI.so
   ```

   In case the above reports any missing libraries you have three options:
   a. Download an archive that is linked to a different version of the GNU shared libraries and verify whether they are available on your system. Use any version whose requirements are met. Note that this option is not available for all platforms.
   b. Use your system's package manager to install the missing libraries. It usually suffices to install the package `libstdc++6`.
   c. Use GNU shared libraries provided by PDF Tools AG:
      2. Download the GNU shared libraries for your platform.
      3. Install the libraries manually according your system's documentation. This typically involves copying them to your library directory, e.g. /usr/lib or /usr/lib64, and running `ldconfig`.
      4. Verify that the GNU shared libraries required by the product are available on your system now.
3. Create a link to the shared library from one of the standard library directories, e.g:

   ```bash
   ln -s /opt/pdf-tools.com/bin/x64/libPdfToolboxAPI.so /usr/lib
   ```

4. Optionally register your license key using the [Command Line License Manager Tool](#).
5. Identify which interface you are using. Perform the specific installation steps for that interface described in [Interface Specific Installation Steps](#).
6. Ensure the cache directory exists as described in chapter [Special Directories](#).
7. Make sure your platform meets the requirements regarding fonts described in chapter [Fonts](#).

### 2.2.2 macOS

The shared library must have the extension `.jnilib` for use with Java. We suggest that you create a file link for this purpose by using the following command:

```bash
ln libPdfToolboxAPI.dylib libPdfToolboxAPI.jnilib
```
2.3 Zip Archive

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides three different interfaces. The installation and deployment of the software depend on the interface you are using. The table below shows the supported interfaces and examples with which programming languages they can be used.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Interface</th>
<th>Programming Languages</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| .NET      | The MS software platform .NET can be used with any .NET capable programming language such as:  
          | - C#  
          | - VB .NET  
          | - J#  
          | - others  
          | For a convenient way to use this interface, see NuGet Package. |
| Java      | The Java interface is available on all platforms. |
| C         | The native C interface is for use with C and C++. This interface is available on all platforms. |

2.3.1 Development

The software developer kit (SDK) contains all files that are used for developing the software. The role of each file with respect to the four different interfaces is shown in table Files for Development. The files are split in four categories:

- **Req.** This file is required for this interface.
- **Opt.** This file is optional. See also table File Description to identify which files are required for your application.
- **Doc.** This file is for documentation only.
- **Empty field** An empty field indicates this file is not used at all for this particular interface.

<table>
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<td>include*.*</td>
<td>Contains files to include in your C / C++ project.</td>
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### 2.3.2 Deployment

For the deployment of the software only a subset of the files are required. Which files are required (Req.), optional (Opt.) or not used (empty field) for the three different interfaces is shown in the table below.

### Files for Deployment

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2 Not required for Linux or macOS.
3 These files must reside in the same directory as PdfToolboxAPI.dll.
The deployment of an application works as described below:
1. Identify the required files from your developed application (this may also include color profiles).
2. Identify all files that are required by your developed application.
3. Include all these files into an installation routine such as an MSI file or simple batch script.
4. Perform any interface-specific actions (e.g. registering when using the COM interface).

2.4 NuGet Package

Nuget is a package manager that facilitates the integration of libraries for the software development in .NET. The nuget package for the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API contains all the libraries needed, managed and native.

Installation
Download the package PdfTools.PdfToolbox.6.4.0.nupkg from your account on https://www.pdf-tools.com/ to some suitable location.

In Visual Studio click on “Tools” and then “Options”. Select “NuGet Package Manager” and add the location of the downloaded package in “Package Sources”.

Right-click on a .NET project in Visual Studio and select "Manage NuGet Packages...". Finally, select the package source that was defined above and browse to the desired package.

Development
The package PdfTools.PdfToolbox.6.4.0.nupkg contains .NET libraries with versions .NET Standard 1.1, .NET Standard 2.0 and .NET Framework 2.0 and native libraries for Windows, macOS and Linux.

The required native libraries are loaded automatically. All project platforms are supported, including “AnyCPU”.

In order to use the software, you must first install a license key for the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API. To do this you have to download the product kit and use the license manager in it. See also License Management.

Note: This NuGet package is only supported on a subset of the operating systems supported by .NET Core. See also Operating Systems.

2.5 Interface Specific Installation Steps

2.5.1 Java Interface

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API requires Java version 7 or higher.

For compilation and execution
When using the Java interface, the Java wrapper jar/PdfToolboxAPI.jar needs to be on the CLASSPATH. This can be done by either adding it to the environment variable CLASSPATH, or by specifying it using the switch -classpath:

```
javac -classpath \".;C:\Program Files\PDF Tools AG\jar\PdfToolboxAPI.jar\" sampleApplication.java
```

For execution
Additionally the library PdfToolboxAPI.dll needs be in one of the system's library directories or added to the Java system property java.library.path. This can be achieved by either adding it dynamically

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4 On Windows defined by the environment variable PATH and e.g. on Linux defined by LD_LIBRARY_PATH.
at program startup before using the API, or by specifying it using the switch `-Djava.library.path` when starting the Java VM. Choose the correct subdirectory (x64 or Win32 on Windows) depending on the platform of the Java VM.

```
java -classpath ".;C:\Program Files\PDF Tools AG\PdfToolboxAPI.jar" ^
-Djava.library.path=C:\Program Files\PDF Tools AG\bin\x64" sampleApplication
```

Note that on Linux or macOS, the path separator usually is a colon and hence the above changes to something like:

```
... -classpath ":/path/to/PdfToolboxAPI.jar" ...
```

## 2.5.2 .NET Interface

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API does not provide a pure .NET solution. Instead, it consists of a native library and .NET assemblies, which call the native library. This has to be accounted for when installing and deploying the tool.

It is recommended to use the [NuGet Package](https://nuget.org). This ensures the correct handling of both the .NET assemblies and the native library.

Alternatively, the files in the [Zip Archive](https://www.pdftools.com) can be used directly in a Visual Studio project targeting .NET Framework 2.0 or later. To achieve this, proceed as follows.

The .NET assemblies (*.NET.dll) are to be added as references to the project; They are needed at compile time. PdfToolboxAPI.dll is not a .NET assembly, but a native library. It is not to be added as a reference to the project. Instead, it is loaded during execution of the application.

For the operating system to find and successfully load the native library PdfToolboxAPI.dll, it must match the executing application's bitness (32-bit versus 64-bit) and it must reside in either of the following directories:

- In the same directory as the application that uses the library.
- In a subdirectory `win-x86` or `Pathwin-x64` for 32-bit or 64-bit applications respectively.
- In a directory that is listed in the PATH environment variable

In Visual Studio, when using the platforms "x86" or "x64", the above can be achieved by adding the 32-bit or 64-bit PdfToolboxAPI.dll respectively as an “existing item” to the project, and setting its property “Copy to output directory” to true. When using the “AnyCPU” platform, then you have to make sure by some other means that both the 32-bit and the 64-bit PdfToolboxAPI.dll are copied to subdirectories `win-x86` and `win-x64` of the output directory respectively.

### Troubleshooting: TypeInitializationException

The most common issue when using the .NET interface is that the correct native DLL PdfToolboxAPI.dll is not found at execution time. This normally manifests when the constructor is called for the first time and an exception of type `System.TypeInitializationException` is thrown.

This exception can have two possible causes, distinguishable by the inner exception (property `InnerException`):

- **System.DllNotFoundException**: Unable to load DLL PdfToolboxAPI.dll: The specified module could not be found.
- **System.BadImageFormatException**: An attempt was made to load a program with an incorrect format.

The following sections describe in more detail, how to resolve the respective issue.

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1. If the wrong data model is used, there is an error message similar to this: “Can’t load IA 32-bit .dll on a AMD 64-bit platform”
Troubleshooting: DllNotFoundException

This means, that the native DLL PdfToolboxAPI.dll could not be found at execution time.

Resolve this by either:
- using the NuGet Package,
- adding PdfToolboxAPI.dll as an existing item to your project and set its property “Copy to output directory” to “Copy if newer”, or
- adding the directory where PdfToolboxAPI.dll resides to the environment variable %Path%, or
- manually copying PdfToolboxAPI.dll to the output directory of your project.

Troubleshooting: BadImageFormatException

The exception means, that the native DLL PdfToolboxAPI.dll has the wrong “bitness” (i.e. platform 32 vs. 64 bit).
There are two versions of PdfToolboxAPI.dll available in the Zip Archive: one is 32-bit (directory bin\Win32) and the other 64-bit (directory bin\x64). It is crucial, that the platform of the native DLL matches the platform of the application's process.

(Using the NuGet Package normally ensures that the matching native DLL is loaded at execution time.)

The platform of the application's process is defined by the project's platform configuration for which there are 3 possibilities:

- AnyCPU This means, that the application will run as a 32-bit process on 32-bit Windows and as 64-bit process on 64-bit Windows. When using AnyCPU, then a different native DLL has to be used, depending on the Windows platform. This can be ensured either when installing the application by installing the matching native DLL, or at application start-up by determining the application's platform and ensuring the matching native DLL is loaded. The latter can be achieved by placing both the 32 bit and the 64 bit native DLL in subdirectories win-x86 and win-x64 of the application's directory respectively.
- x86 This means, that the application will always run as 32-bit process, regardless of the platform of the Windows installation. The 32-bit DLL runs on all systems.
- x64 This means, that the application will always run as 64-bit process. As a consequence the application will not run on a 32-bit Windows system.

2.5.3 C Interface

- The header file pdftoolboxapi_c.h needs to be included in the C/C++ program.
- On Windows operating systems, the library PdfToolboxAPI.lib needs to be linked to the project.
- The dynamic link library PdfToolboxAPI.dll needs to be in a path of executables (e.g. on the environment variable %PATH%).

2.6 Uninstall, Install a New Version

If you have used the ZIP file for the installation: In order to uninstall the product, undo all the steps done during installation, e.g. un-register using regsvr32.exe /u, delete all files, etc.

Installing a new version does not require to previously uninstall the old version. The files of the old version can directly be overwritten with the new version. If using the COM interface, the new DLL must be registered, un-registering the old version is not required.
2.7 Fonts

When text is created by the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API, all fonts from the Font Directories can be used.

2.7.1 Font Cache

A cache of all fonts in all Font Directories is created. If fonts are added or removed from the font directories, the cache is updated automatically.

In order to achieve optimal performance, make sure that the cache directory is writable for the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API. Otherwise the font cache cannot be updated and the font directories have to be scanned on each program startup.

The font cache is created in the subdirectory `<CacheDirectory>/Installed Fonts` of the Cache Directory.

2.8 Note about the Evaluation License

With the evaluation license the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API automatically adds a watermark to the output files.

2.9 Special Directories

2.9.1 Directory for temporary files

This directory for temporary files is used for data specific to one instance of a program. The data is not shared between different invocations and deleted after termination of the program.

The directory is determined as follows. The product checks for the existence of environment variables in the following order and uses the first path found:

**Windows**
1. The path specified by the `%TMP%` environment variable.
2. The path specified by the `%TEMP%` environment variable.
3. The path specified by the `%USERPROFILE%` environment variable.
4. The Windows directory.

**Linux and macOS**
1. The path specified by the `$PDFTMPDIR` environment variable.
2. The path specified by the `$TMP` environment variable.
3. The `/tmp` directory.

2.9.2 Cache Directory

The cache directory is used for data that is persisted and shared between different invocations of a program. The actual caches are created in subdirectories. The content of this directory can safely be deleted to clean all caches.

This directory should be writable by the application, otherwise caches cannot be created or updated and performance will degrade significantly.
Windows
- If the user has a profile:
  %LOCAL_APPDATA%\PDF Tools AG\Caches
- If the user has no profile:
  <TempDirectory>\PDF Tools AG\Caches

Linux and macOS
- If the user has a home directory:
  ~/.pdf-tools/Caches
- If the user has no home directory:
  <TempDirectory>/pdf-tools/Caches

where <TempDirectory> refers to the Directory for temporary files.

2.9.3 Font Directories

The location of the font directories depends on the operating system. Font directories are traversed recursively in the order as specified below.

If two fonts with the same name are found, the latter one takes precedence, i.e. user fonts will always take precedence over system fonts.

Windows
1. %SystemRoot%\Fonts
2. directory Fonts, which must be a direct sub-directory of where PdfToolboxAPI.dll resides.

macOS
1. /System/Library/Fonts
2. /Library/Fonts

Linux
1. /usr/share/fonts
2. /usr/local/share/fonts
3. ~/.fonts
4. $PDFFONTDIR or /usr/lib/X11/fonts/Type1
3 License Management

The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API requires a valid license in order to run correctly. If no license key is set or the license is not valid, then most of the interface elements documented in Interface Reference will fail with an error code and error message indicating the reason.

3.1 License Features

The functionality of the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API contains several areas to which the following license features are assigned:

- **Assembly** Document assembly and imposition.
- **Creation** Creation of documents, pages, and page content.
- **Extraction** Extraction of all content and document properties.
- **Annotation** Extractpage annotations
- **Modification** Modification of page or group content.
- **Forms** Creation and modification of form fields.

A license can include an arbitrary set of these features. The presence of any feature in a given license key can be checked in the Graphical License Manager Tool or by means of the Command Line License Manager Tool. The Interface Reference specifies in more detail which functions are included in which license features.

3.2 License Installation and Management

There are three possibilities to pass the license key to the application:

1. The license key is installed using the GUI tool (graphical user interface). This is the easiest way if the licenses are managed manually. It is only available on Windows.
2. The license key is installed using the shell tool. This is the preferred solution for all non-Windows systems and for automated license management.
3. The license key is passed to the application at run-time via the LicenseKey property. This is the preferred solution for OEM scenarios.

3.2.1 Graphical License Manager Tool

The GUI tool LicenseManager.exe is located in the bin directory of the product kit (Windows only).
List all installed license keys

The license manager always shows a list of all installed license keys in the left pane of the window. This includes licenses of other PDF Tools products. The user can choose between:

- Licenses available for all users. Administrator rights are needed for modifications.
- Licenses available for the current user only.

Add and delete license keys

License keys can be added or deleted with the “Add Key” and “Delete” buttons in the toolbar.

- The “Add key” button installs the license key into the currently selected list.
- The “Delete” button deletes the currently selected license keys.

Display the properties of a license

If a license is selected in the license list, its properties are displayed in the right pane of the window.

3.2.2 Command Line License Manager Tool

The command line license manager tool licmgr is available in the bin\x86 and bin\x64 directory.

Note: The command line tool licmgr is not included in Windows platform kits, as the GUI tool is the recommended tool for managing licenses. A Windows licmgr shelltool is available in the Utilities & Tools section of your My PDF Tools customer account.

A complete description of all commands and options can be obtained by running the program without parameters:

licmgr

List all installed license keys

licmgr list
The currently active license for a specific product is marked with a * on the left side.

**Example:**

```
> licmgr list
Local machine:
   Product Name:
      1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
      1-YYYYY-YYYYY-YYYYY-YYYYY-YYYYY-YYYYY-YYYYY
      * 1-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ-ZZZZZ
Current user:
```

**Add and delete license keys**

Install new license key:

```
licmgr store 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

Delete old license key:

```
licmgr delete 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

Both commands have the optional argument -s that defines the scope of the action:

- `g` For all users
- `u` Current user

**Display the properties of a license**

```
licmgr info 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

Properties that invalidate the license are marked with an X, properties that require attention are marked with an !. In that case an additional line with a comment is displayed.

**Example:**

```
> licmgr info 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
- Product:      Product Name
- Features:     Feature1,Feature2
- Intended use: Development
- Watermark:    No
- Platform:     Windows
- Installation: Yes
! Activation:   2018-05-07
   (The license has not yet been activated.)
- Expiration:   Does not expire
- Maintenance:  2019-04-27
```
3.3 License Selection and Precedence

3.3.1 Selection

If multiple keys for the same product are installed in the same scope, only one of them can be active at the same time.

Installed keys that are not selected are not considered by the software!

In the Graphical User Interface use the check box on the left side of the license key to mark a license as selected.

With the Command Line Interface use the select subcommand:

```
licmgr select 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

3.3.2 Precedence

License keys are considered in the following order:

1. License key passed at runtime.
2. License selected for the current user
3. License selected for the current user (legacy key format)
4. License selected for all users
5. License selected for all users (legacy key format)

The first matching license is used, regardless whether it is valid or not.

3.4 Key Update

If a license property like the maintenance expiration date changes, the key can be update directly in the license manager.

In the Graphical User Interface select the license and press the button "Update Key" in the toolbar:

With the Command Line Interface use the update subcommand:

```
licmgr update 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```
3.5 License activation

New licenses keys have to be activated (except for OEM licenses).

**Note:** Licenses that need activation have to be installed in the license manager and must not be passed to the component at runtime.

The license activation is tied to a specific computer. If the license is installed at user scope, the activation is also tied to that specific user. The same license key can be activated multiple times, if the license quantity is larger than 1. Every license key includes a date, after which the license has to be activated, which is typically 10 days after the issuing date of the key. Prior to this date, the key can be used without activation and without any restrictions.

3.5.1 Activation

The License can be activated directly within the license manager. Every activation increases the activation count of the license by 1.

It is recommended to add a comment to the activation request which helps keeping track of all activations for a specific license key. In case of problems it also helps us providing support.

The comment is stored in the activation database as long as the license key remains activated. Upon deactivation it is deleted from the database immediately.

All activations and the corresponding comments can be examined using the **Load online properties** function of the license manager. The information is accessible to anyone with access to the license key.

**In the Graphical User Interface** select the license and press the button “Activate license” in the toolbar:

![Activate license button](image)

It is recommended to add a comment to the activation request by using the subsequent dialog box.

**With the Command Line Interface** use the `activate` subcommand:

```
licmgr activate 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

Note that the key has to be installed first.

It is recommended to add a comment to the activation request by using the `-c` or `-cd` option:

```
licmgr activate -cd 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
licmgr activate -c "custom comment" 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

3.5.2 Reactivation

The activation is tied to specific properties of the computer like the MAC address or host name. If one of these properties changes, the activation becomes invalid and the license has to be reactivated. A reactivation does **not** increase the activation count on the license.
The process for reactivation is the same as for the activation.

**In the Graphical User Interface** the button “Activate license” changes to “Reactivate license”:

![Graphical User Interface](image)

**With the Command Line Interface** the subcommand `activate` is used again:

```
licmgr activate 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

### 3.5.3 Deactivation

To move a license to a different computer, it has to be deactivated first. Deactivation decreases the activation count of the license by 1.

The process for deactivation is similar to the activation process.

**In the Graphical User Interface** select the license and press the button “Deactivate license” in the toolbar:

![Graphical User Interface](image)

**With the Command Line Interface** use the `deactivate` subcommand:

```
licmgr deactivate 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

### 3.6 Proxy Setting

A proxy URL can be configured for computers that cannot access the internet without a web proxy.

**Note:** The proxy must allow connections via HTTP CONNECT to the server `www.pdf-tools.com:443`.

**In the Graphical User Interface** press the button “Settings” in the toolbar:

![Graphical User Interface](image)

and enter the proxy URL in the respective field:
3.7 Offline Usage

The following actions in the license manager need access to the internet:

- License Activation
- License Reactivation
- License Deactivation
- Key Update

On systems without internet access, a three step process can be used instead, using a form on the PDF Tools website.

3.7.1 First Step: Create a Request File

In the Graphical User Interface select the license and use the dropdown menu on the right side of the button in the toolbar:

With the Command Line Interface use the \(-fs\) option to specify the destination path of the request file:

```
licmgr activate -fs activation_request.bin 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

License Deactivation: When saving the deactivation request file, the license is deactivated immediately and cannot be used any further. It can however only be activated again after completing the deactivation on the website.

3.7.2 Second Step: Use Form on Website

Upon success, the response will be downloaded automatically if necessary.

### 3.7.3 Third Step: Apply the Response File

**In the Graphical User Interface** select the license and use the dropdown menu on the right side of the button in the toolbar:

With the Command Line Interface use the `-fl` option to specify the source path of the response file:

```bash
licmgr activate -fl activation_response.bin 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

### 3.8 License Key Versions

As of 2018 all new keys will have the format 1-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX. Legacy keys with the old format 0-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX are still accepted for a limited time period.

For compatibility reasons, old and new version keys can be installed side by side and one key of each version can be selected at the same time. In that case, the software always uses the new version.

### 3.9 License Key Storage

Depending on the platform the license management system uses different stores for the license keys.

#### 3.9.1 Windows

The license keys are stored in the registry:

- `HKLM\Software\PDF Tools AG` (for all users)
- `HKCU\Software\PDF Tools AG` (for the current user)

#### 3.9.2 macOS

The license keys are stored in the file system:

- `/Library/Application Support/PDF Tools AG` (for all users)
- `~/Library/Application Support/PDF Tools AG` (for the current user)

#### 3.9.3 Unix/Linux

The license keys are stored in the file system:

- `/etc/opt/pdf-tools` (for all users)
3.10 Troubleshooting

3.10.1 License key cannot be installed

The license key cannot be installed in the license manager application. The error message is: "Invalid license format."

Possible causes:
- The license manager application is an older version that only supports the legacy key format.

Solution
Use a current version of the license manager application or use a license key in the legacy key format if available.

3.10.2 License is not visible in license manager

The license key was successfully installed previously but is not visible in the license manager anymore. The software is still working correctly.

Possible causes:
- The license manager application is an older version that only supports the legacy key format.

Solution
Use a current version of the license manager application.

3.10.3 License is not found at runtime

The license is not found at runtime by the software. The error message is: "No license key was set."

Possible causes:
- The license key is actually missing (not installed).
- The license key is installed but not selected in the license manager.
- The application is an older version that only supports the legacy key format, while the license key has the new license format.
- The software was not restarted after registering the license. Note that for web applications the webserver, and not merely the application, must be restarted.

Note: The user, group and permissions of those directories are set solely by the license manager tool. It may be necessary to change permissions to make the licenses readable for all users. Example:

```
chmod -R go+rx /etc/opt/pdf-tools
```
Solution
Install and select a valid license key that is compatible with the installed version of the software or use a newer version of the software. The new license key format is supported starting with version 4.10.26.1
For compatibility reasons, one license key of each format can be selected at the same time.

3.10.4 Eval watermark is displayed where it should not

The software prints an evaluation watermark onto the output document, even if the installed license is a productive one.

Possible causes:
- There is an evaluation license key selected for the current user, that takes precedence over the key for all users.

  Note: The software might be run under a different user than the license manager application.

- An evaluation license key that is passed at runtime takes precedence over those selected in the license manager.
- There is an evaluation license key selected with a newer license format that takes precedence over the key in the older format.
- The software was not restarted after changing the license key from an evaluation key to a productive one.

Solution
Disable or remove all evaluation license in all scopes, check that no evaluation key is passed at runtime and restart the software.

3.10.5 Activation is not recognized

The license is installed and activated in the license manager, but the software does not recognize it as activated.
The error message is: "The license has not been activated."

Possible causes:
- There is an unregistered license key selected for the current user, that takes precedence over the key for all users. This leads to an error even if the same license is registered for all users.

  Note: The software might be run under a different user than the license manager application.

- A license key that is passed at runtime takes precedence over those selected in the license manager. This leads to an error even if the same license is registered in the license manager.

  Note: Licenses that need activation have to be installed in the license manager and must not be passed to the component at runtime.

- The software was not restarted after activating the license.
Solution
Disable, remove or activate all unregistered licenses in all scopes, check that no key is passed at runtime and restart the software.

3.10.6 Activation is invalidated too often
The license activation is invalidated regularly, for no obvious reason.

Possible causes:
- One of the properties used to calculate the system fingerprint is changing frequently.

Solution
Update to a newer version of the PDF Tools product, deactivate the license key using the new license manager and activate it again. After that, an improved fingerprinting algorithm is used.

Deactivation and activation have to be executed separately, a reactivation of the license in one step does not change the fingerprinting algorithm and thus does not solve the problem.

Note: After this procedure, older products might not recognize the activation as valid anymore. Reactivating the license using an old license manager will revert the activation to the old fingerprinting algorithm.

3.10.7 Connection to the licensing service fails
The license activation/deactivation/update fails because the license manager cannot reach the licensing server.
The error message depends on the platform and the exact error condition.

Possible causes:
- The computer is not connected to the internet.
- The connection is blocked by a corporate firewall.

Solution
Make sure that the computer is connected to the internet and that the host www.pdf-tools.com is reachable on port 443 (HTTPS).
If this is not possible, try Offline Usage instead.

3.10.8 Offline usage fails due to a request/response mismatch
The offline license activation/deactivation/update fails because the response file does not match the request file.
The error message is: "Mismatch between request and response."

Possible causes:
- The response file is applied to a different machine than the request file was created.
- The response file as applied to a different user than the request file was created.
- The response file was applied to a specific user while the request was created for all users, or vice versa.
- The response file is applied to the wrong license key.
- Another request file has been created between creating the request file and applying the response file.
- The license key was updated between creating the request file and applying the response file.
- The license key was removed and re-added between creating the request file and applying the response file.

**Solution**

Delete any old request and response files to make sure they are not used by accident.

Retry the entire process as outlined in chapter 3.7 and refrain from making any other license-related actions between creating the request file and applying the response file.

Make sure that the response file is applied to exactly the same license key in exactly the same location (machine, all users or specific user) where the request file was created.
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4.1 General Concepts

4.1.1 Document model

The document model of the PDF Toolbox API consists of two different types of objects:

- **Structure objects** define the structure of the document, such as Document, Page or Content.
- **Graphics resources** can be used to draw content with a ContentGenerator. Examples are Image, Font or ColorSpace.

All objects in the document model are bound to a specific document. They can only be used in the context of the document for which they were created using one of the Create.. or Copy.. method.

The objects of the document model are all stateless. Where a stateful interface is useful, it is provided by an external generator or extractor, which is not considered part of the document model.

4.1.2 Copying instead of modification

The PDF Toolbox API does not allow in-place modification of documents. Instead the content is copied into a new document, while performing the necessary changes.

To copy objects from a source document into a target document, one of the Copy.. methods is called on the target document.

This concept allows processing of very large files without consuming much memory: The content of the input document is only read on demand and any modifications can be directly stored in the output file.

4.1.3 Differentiation between object creation and use

To provide a uniform interface, many operations are divided into two steps:

1. Create (or copy) the object
2. Use the object

This separation allows to provide multiple variants for both steps, without having a “combinatorical explosion” of methods.

**Step 1: Create**

In the first step, the object is created in the target document or copied from the source document to the target document.

After creating, the object is associated with the document, but not yet used. This means, that copying or creating an object may change the size of the target file, but logically, the PDF is still unchanged.

Examples are the following methods of a Document:

- CreatePage
- CreateFont
- CopyPage
- CopyColorSpace
Step 2: Use

The associated object can then be used in the target document. This second step is often more lightweight than the first step, since all the necessary copying is already done. Examples are the following methods of a `ContentGenerator`:

- `PaintImage`
- `PaintGroup`
- `AppendContentElement`

or the `Add` method of the `PageList` interface.

4.1.4 Generator Objects

Some objects in a PDF consist of a list or stream of operations that operate on an internal state:

- Content streams
- Text objects
- Path objects

Since all data objects in the PDF Toolbox API are stateless, a (simplified) stateful interface is provided by so called generator interfaces:

- `Content` objects can be modified with a `ContentGenerator`.
- `Path` objects can be modified with a `PathGenerator`.
- `Text` objects can be modified with a `TextGenerator`.

Generator objects must always be closed explicitly, before the associated object can be used.

4.1.5 Garbage collection and closing objects

Every interface object is considered being a resource that needs to be closed after use. Most objects are closed automatically, at the latest when the owning document is closed, in C# and Java possibly earlier by the garbage collector.

In addition to `Document` objects, the “generator” objects `ContentGenerator`, `PathGenerator`, and `TextGenerator` must be closed, lest the generated objects are incomplete.

4.2 Thread safety

The PDF Toolbox API is generally thread-safe with one exception:

A document may only be accessed in one thread concurrently, including all sub-objects.

Note that almost all objects are directly or indirectly associated with a document.
4.2.1 Garbage Collection and Finalizer

Object finalization is thread-safe with one exception:

The finalizer of the Document is not thread-safe regarding access to its sub-objects.

Sub-objects do not retain their associated document object. If all references to an open document go out of scope, the document finalizer will eventually be running and the document will be closed.

Explicitly accessing (even closing) any sub-object while the document finalizer is running is not safe!

4.3 The PDF Graphics Model

4.3.1 Coordinate System

PDF coordinates are measured from bottom to top, in contrast to many other coordinate systems used in informatics.

For the sake of simplicity, all coordinates used in the PDF Toolbox API are normalized, such that the point (0,0) denotes the lower left corner of the visible page (crop box).

The internal Rotate attribute of a PDF page is not exposed at the API. Instead, all coordinates are assumed to refer to the already rotated page.

4.3.2 Transformations

Transformations can be used to rotate, move, scale, or otherwise skew any page content.

Transformations always affect the coordinate system as a whole. All following graphics operations are executed in the transformed coordinate system, including additional transformations.

This means, that the ordering how transformations are applied is important.
4.4 Annotations and Form Fields

Page annotations are elements that are not part of a page's content but are applied on top of a page. In contrast to ordinary page content, many annotation types are meant to behave interactively in a PDF viewer.

4.4.1 Form Fields

AcroForm form fields in a PDF consist of data structures that represent variable values, potentially to be modified by a user in a PDF viewing application.

Form fields are structured in a tree topology in which the Document acts as the tree root. The immediate child form field nodes thereof can be accessed via the FormFields property.

Each child form field node in the tree can itself have more children. We name such a form field a “sub form”. A child form field node that has no children is simply a “form field”, of which different concrete sub-types are conceived:

- General text field
- Comb text field
- Check box field
- Push button field
- Radio button field
- Combo box field
- List box field

In the PDF Toolbox API, the above types are modeled by interfaces that inherit from a base interface FormFieldNode in the following way:
FormFieldNodes are contained in a FormFieldNodeMap in the form of key-value pairs for which the keys act as form field node identifiers. Such an identifier is not allowed to contain any full stops (".").

The fully qualified identifier of a form field node is defined as the concatenation of all its ancestor SubForm's identifiers and its own identifier, separated by full stops ("."). e.g. MySubForm.MyField. The fully qualified identifier of each form field node is unique within a document.

While the form field tree models the form's data, the visual manifestations of form fields are managed by Widget page Annotations, of which each form field has at least one.

**Creating Form Fields**

In an output document (a document created with Create), form fields can be created from scratch by means of the following methods:

- CreateCheckBoxField
- CreateComboBoxField
- CreateCombTextField
- CreateGeneralTextField
- CreateListBoxField
- CreateRadioButtonField
- CreateSubForm

A PushButtonField cannot be created.

After creating a ChoiceField, i.e. a ComboBoxField or a ListBoxField, ChoiceItems should be created and added with the choice field's method AddNewItem.

After creating a RadioButtonField, new RadioButtons should be created and added with the radio button field's method AddNewButton.

Each created form field must be added either to the document's FormFields, or to the Children of a SubForm.

It is advisable to set all form field properties prior to creating any Widgets. Specifically, changing form field properties that affect the form field's visual appearance fails with an UnsupportedOperation error if the form field has widgets.

For each form field, at least one Widget should be created using the radio button's method AddNewWidget for radio button fields, or the form field's method AddNewWidget for all other field types.

Finally, each created widget must be added to one of the Annotations of any of the document's Pages.

A page can either be created from scratch with the CreatePage method or it can be copied with CopyPage from an input document (a document created with Open). In the latter case, the CopyFormFields flag in the CopyOption argument must be cleared.
The combination of creating form fields and copying form fields via CopyPage (with CopyOption argument in which the CopyFormFields flag is set) is not supported. Specifically:

- Once CopyPage has been called with the CopyFormFields flag set, any subsequent call to any of the form field creation methods fails with an IllegalState error.
- Once any of the form field creation methods has been called, any subsequent call to CopyPage with the CopyFormFields flag set fails with an IllegalState error.

### Filling Form Fields

Filling a form means that the values (field content) of form fields are modified. Depending on the field type this implies the following:

- **TextField**: modify the Text.
- **CheckBoxField**: modify the Checked state.
- **RadioButtonField**: modify the ChosenButton.
- **ComboBoxField**: modify the ChosenItem or the EditableItemName.
- **ListBoxField**: modify the ChosenItems.

In order to use the PDF Toolbox API for filling out the values of form fields in a PDF, the following procedure must be followed:

1. An input document is opened with Open and an output document is created with Create.
2. Before copying pages, the form fields must be copied from the input document to the output document as follows:
   a. Access the form field node map of the input and the output document via the FormFields property.
   b. Copy each form field node found in the input to the output document using the CopyFormFieldNode method. Copying SubForms automatically copies their children. (Note that the copied form fields have no Widgets yet.)
   c. The value of a copied form field can be modified here or later in Step 3.
   d. Add each copied form field node to the output document’s FormFields map, preferably using the same key as used in the input document’s FormFields map.
3. The output document’s form field nodes can be accessed, e.g. using the Lookup method, to modify form field values.
4. Copy all pages with the CopyPage method. Hereby, the CopyFormFields flag in the CopyOption argument must be cleared. In this step, the Widgets of input form fields are copied to the output form fields automatically. (As soon as a form field has Widgets, its value cannot be modified anymore.)

The combination of filling out form fields and copying form fields via CopyPage (with CopyOption argument in which the CopyFormFields flag is set) is not supported. Specifically:

- Once CopyPage has been called with the CopyFormFields flag set, any subsequent call to CopyFormFieldNode fails with an IllegalState error.
- Once CopyFormFieldNode has been called, any subsequent call to CopyPage with the CopyFormFields flag set fails with an IllegalState error.
5 Programming Interfaces

Where possible and useful the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API uses language specific features. This means that some parts of the API use different syntax for different programming languages.

5.1 .NET Interface

5.1.1 IDisposable Objects

Objects that must be closed explicitly implement the IDisposable interface. Instead of calling Dispose() directly, it is recommended to use the "using" statement:

```csharp
using (Document document = ...) {
    ...
} // document.Dispose() is called implicitly here
```

See also Garbage collection and closing objects.

5.1.2 Error handling

Errors are reported using exceptions.

The three logic error codes are mapped to the corresponding native exception classes:

- `IllegalArgumentException` maps to `System.ArgumentException`
- `IllegalStateException` maps to `System.InvalidOperationException`
- `UnsupportedOperation` maps to `System.NotSupportedException`

The rest of the error codes is modeled using a single exception class `PdfTools.ErrorCodeException` that provides access to the underlying error code and message.

5.1.3 Streams

The native stream interface `System.IO.Stream` is used.

5.1.4 Lists

Lists implement the native list interface `System.Collections.Generic.IList<T>`.

5.1.5 Enumerables


5.1.6 Maps

5.2 Java Interface

5.2.1 AutoCloseable Objects

Objects that must be closed explicitly implement the AutoCloseable interface. Instead of calling close() directly, it is recommended to use the "try-with-resources" statement:

```java
try (Document document = ...) {
    ...
} // document.close() is called implicitly here
```

See also Garbage collection and closing objects.

5.2.2 Properties

Properties are modeled with setter and getter methods.

5.2.3 Error handling

Errors are reported using exceptions.

The three logic error codes are mapped to the corresponding native runtime exception classes and are not checked:

- `IllegalArgument` maps to `java.lang.IllegalArgumentException`
- `IllegalState` maps to `java.lang.IllegalStateException`
- `UnsupportedOperation` maps to `java.lang.UnsupportedOperationException`

The rest of the error codes is modeled using a single checked exception class `com.pdf_tools.ErrorCodeException` that provides access to the underlying error code and message.

5.2.4 Streams

The native stream interfaces cannot be used, because they are lacking two important features:

- The PDF file format is based on random access. Native Java streams have only limited support for this.
- The ability to read from an output stream is crucial for processing large files (See Chapter 4.1.2).

Instead we provide a custom stream interface `com.pdf_tools.Stream`, which has a similar interface as `java.io.RandomAccessFile`.

An implementation for files is provided, backed by `java.io.RandomAccessFile`.

5.2.5 Lists

Lists implement the native Java list interface `java.util.List`.

5.2.6 Enumerables

Enumerables (lists that only allow iterating) implement the native Java iterator interface `java.util.Iterable`.
5.2.7 Maps
Maps implement the native Java map interface `java.util.Map`.

5.3 C Interface

5.3.1 Namespaces, classes and methods
In most languages, namespaces and classes are used to model the interfaces.
The exception is C, where this is modeled with function prefixes and functions operating on handles. The prefix of all functions of the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API is `Pdf`, for types it is `TPdf` and for enum values `ePdf`.

5.3.2 Library Initialization
The first method called must be `PdfInitialize`. Failing to invoke this function will result in undefined behavior. Similarly, the last method must be `PdfUninitialize`.

5.3.3 Objects
Objects in the C interface are represented by object handles. After use, all object handles returned by the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API must be closed with `PdfClose`.

5.3.4 Properties
Properties are modeled with setter and getter methods.

5.3.5 Error handling
Errors are reported by returning special values, e.g. `NULL` or `FALSE`.
More information on the error can be retrieved by using the functions `PdfGetLastError` and `PdfGetLastErrorMessage`.

5.3.6 Strings
All functions involving strings are provided in two different flavors:
- UTF-16 function with suffix `W`, using `WCHAR` as parameter type.
- Multibyte character set function with suffix `A`, using `char` as parameter type. The concrete character set that is used depends on the platform:
  - On Windows, the current ANSI code page (`CP_ACP`) is assumed.
  - On Linux or macOS, the current C encoding (`LC_CTYPE`) is used.

In addition to the effective function names with suffix, there’s a macro without suffix for each function pair: It either resolves to the `W` variant (if `_UNICODE` is defined), or to the `A` variant (if `_UNICODE` is not defined).

**Example:** Signature of an API string property setter, where `<String>` stands for the property’s name:

```c
void PdfSetStringA(const char* szString); // Multibyte encoding
```
void PdfSet<String>W(const WCHAR* szString); // UTF-16
#if defined_UNICODE
#define PdfSet<String> PdfSet<String>W
#else
#define PdfSet<String> PdfSet<String>A
#endif

String return values

Functions that return a string are treated specially in C. Instead of returning the string, those functions take a buffer and size as last parameters and write into that buffer. The return value is the amount of data written to the buffer.

To determine the required buffer size, the function has to be called with NULL as argument.

Calling the function with a buffer size that is too small results in a ePdfErrorIllegalState.

Multibyte character set functions (with suffix A) that return a string can fail to encode the string in the current operating systems' encoding. In case of such a failure, the return value is 0 and no error code is set. In order to prevent such failures, it is recommended to use the UTF-16 (W) functions on Windows or to use operating systems with a Unicode code page.

Example: Signature and usage of an API string property getter (error handling is omitted), where <String> stands for the property's name:

```c
size_t PdfGet<String>A(char* pBuffer, size_t nBufferSize);
```

```c
size_t nBufferSize = PdfGet<String>A(NULL, 0);
char* pBuffer = malloc(nBufferSize * sizeof(char));
nBufferSize = PdfGet<String>A(pBuffer, nBufferSize);
```

5.3.7 Streams

Streams are modeled by means of a set of callbacks and a context pointer, grouped in a struct TPdfStreamDescriptor.

An implementation for FILE* is provided in the header file pdfdecl.h. (Search for function PdfCreateFILEStreamDescriptor.)

5.3.8 Lists

Lists in C are implemented like any other interface.

List Interface

Every list type provides a subset of the following properties and methods, where <ElementType> stands for the type name of the contained elements:

Count

Property (get): int Count
The number of elements of the list.

Get

**Method:** `<ElementType> Get(int index)`

**Error codes:** `IllegalState,IllegalArgument,UnsupportedOperation`

Get an element of the list.

Append

**Method:** `Append(<ElementType> element)`

**Error codes:** `IllegalState,IllegalArgument,UnsupportedOperation`

Append an element to the list.

### 5.3.9 Enumerables

Enumerables (lists that only allow iterating) are implemented like any other interface. For every enumerable type `TPdf<Name>`, an additional iterator type `TPdf<Name>Iterator` is defined, where `<Name>` stands for the enumerable's type name.

**Enumerable Interface**

Every enumerable type provides the following property:

**Iterator**

**Property (get):** `<Name>Iterator Iterator`  
**Error code (get):** `IllegalState`

Get an iterator for this enumerable.

**<Name>Iterator Interface**

Every iterator type provides the following, where `<ElementType>` stands for the type name of the contained elements:

**MoveNext**

**Method:** `bool MoveNext()`  
**Error code:** `IllegalState`

Move the iterator to the next element.

**Returns:**

- **true** if a current **value** is available.
false if the end has been reached and value will be null.

value

Property (get): »ElementType« value
Error code (get): IllegalState

Get the current element or null if no elements are left.

5.3.10 Maps

Maps (Dictionaries) in C are implemented like any other interface.

Map Interface

Every map type provides a subset of the following properties and methods, where »KeyType« stands for the type name of the key elements and »Value« for the type name of the value elements:

Size

Property (get): int Size

The number of entries pairs in the map.

Set

Method: Set(»KeyType« key, »ValueType« value)
Error codes: IllegalState, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation

Set the value for key.

This operation invalidates all positions previously returned by the methods GetBegin, GetEnd, GetNext and Get

Clear

Method: Clear()
Error codes: IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

Remove all entries from the map.

This operation invalidates all positions previously returned by the methods GetBegin, GetEnd, GetNext and Get

Get

Method: int Get(»KeyType« key)
Error codes: NotFound, IllegalState, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation
Get the position of a key in the map. The position can be used to get the corresponding value with `GetValue`.

**GetBegin**

```java
Method: int GetBegin()
Error codes: IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation
```

Get the position of the first entry in the map. The order of the entries arbitrary and not significant.

The position can be used to get the corresponding key and value with `GetValue` and `GetValue` only if the returned value is not equal to the one returned by `GetEnd`.

The next position can be retrieved by `GetNext`.

**GetEnd**

```java
Method: int GetEnd()
Error codes: IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation
```

Get the end position of the map.

This position does not correspond to an actual entry and `GetKey`, `GetValue` and `GetNext` must not be called with the returned value.

**GetNext**

```java
Method: int GetNext(int it)
Error codes: IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation
```

Get the position of the next entry in the map. The order of the entries arbitrary and not significant.

The position can be used to get the corresponding key and value with `GetValue` and `GetValue` only if the returned value is not equal to the one returned by `GetEnd`.

The next position can be retrieved by `GetNext`.

**GetKey**

```java
Method: <KeyType> GetKey(int it)
Error codes: IllegalState,IllegalArgument,UnsupportedOperation
```

Get the key of the entry at a position in the map.

**GetValue**

```java
Method: <ValueType> GetValue(int it)
Error codes: IllegalState,IllegalArgument,UnsupportedOperation
```

Get the value of the entry at a position in the map.
Set Value

**Method:** `SetValue(int it, ValueType value)`

**Error codes:** `IllegalState, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation`

Set the value of the entry at a position in the map.

This operation **does not** invalidate positions previously returned by the methods `GetBegin`, `GetEnd`, `GetNext` and `Get`.

Remove

**Method:** `Remove(int it)`

**Error codes:** `IllegalState, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation`

Remove the entry at a position in the map.

This operation **does not** invalidate positions previously returned by the methods `GetBegin`, `GetEnd`, `GetNext` and `Get` except for the position used as a parameter to this method, which can only be used to call `GetNext`.  

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6 Interface Reference

Note: This chapter describes the C# interface of the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API. Other interfaces however work similarly, i.e. they have calls with similar names and the call sequence to be used is the same as with C#. See chapters Java Interface and C Interface for more information.

6.1 Common Elements

Note: In this section common static methods and properties are listed. They can be called in every interface.

6.1.1 CheckLicense

Method: void CheckLicense()

Static

Error code: License

Check if the product is properly licensed.
This method can be used to perform a license check without actually opening or creating a document, e.g. when starting a GUI application or a service.

Error Code:

License The product is not properly licensed.

6.1.2 LicenseKey

Property (set): String LicenseKey

Static

Error code (set): License

Set the license key.

Note: License keys that require activation can only be installed in the license manager. Setting them at runtime is not supported.

Error Code:

License The license key is not valid.
6.1.3 ProductVersion

Property (get): String ProductVersion

Static

Get the version of the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API in the format “A.C.D.E”.

6.2 Annotation Interface

Hierarchy:

Annotation
  ▼ InternalLink
  ▼ WebLink
  ▼ Widget

6.2.1 Rectangle

Property (get): Rectangle Rectangle

Error codes (get): IllegalState, Corrupt

The location on the page.

Error Codes:

IllegalState  The Annotation object or the owning document has already been closed.

Corrupt  The PDF is corrupt and the annotation cannot be read.

6.3 AnnotationList Interface

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

6.4 CheckBoxField Interface

This interface represents a check box form field.

Hierarchy:

FormFieldNode
  ▼FormField
  ▼ CheckBoxField
6.4.1 Checked

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<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool Checked</th>
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<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalState</td>
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Specifies the state of the check box: checked (true) or unchecked (false).

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**   The **CheckBoxField** is **ReadOnly**.

**UnsupportedOperation**   The document associated with the **CheckBoxField** is read-only.

6.4.2 CheckedExportName

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<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>String CheckedExportName</th>
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<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
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</table>

Specifies the name for the checked state when exporting. (false).

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**   The **CheckBoxField** or the owning document has already been closed.

6.5 ChoiceField Interface

**Hierarchy:**

```
FormFieldNode
  FormField
    ChoiceField
      ComboBoxField
      ListBoxField
```

6.5.1 Items

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<th>Property (get):</th>
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<td>IllegalState</td>
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</table>

The list of **ChoiceItems** to choose from.
Adding or removing items or clearing the list is not supported.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The **ChoiceField** or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.5.2 AddNewItem

**Method:**  ChoiceItem AddNewItem(String displayName)

**Error codes:**  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

Creates a new choice item. The item is automatically added to the choice field’s **Items**.

**Parameter:**

**displayName**  [String]  This item's display name.

**Returns:**

The newly created choice item.

### 6.6 ChoiceItem Interface

This interface represents an item in a **ChoiceField**, i.e. in a **ListBoxField** or in a **ComboBoxField**.

#### 6.6.1 DisplayName

**Property (get, set):**  String DisplayName

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

**Error codes (set):**  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

Specifies the item's name displayed in the user interface.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- (set, get) The **ChoiceItem** or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The **ChoiceItem** has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.
6.6.2 ExportName

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Specifies the item's name when exporting.

Error Codes:

IllegalState   The ChoiceItem or the owning document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation   The document is read-only.

6.7 ChoiceItemList Interface

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

6.8 ColorSpace Interface

6.8.1 Components

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<th>int Components</th>
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<td>IllegalState</td>
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The number of components in the color space.

Error Code:

IllegalState   The ColorSpace object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.8.2 Name

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>String Name</th>
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</table>

The name of the color space. E.g. "DeviceRGB", "DeviceCMYK", "Indexed", "Separation", "DeviceN", "Pattern", etc.

Error Code:

IllegalState   The ColorSpace object or the owning document has already been closed.
### 6.8.3 Type

<table>
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<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>ColorSpaceType Type</th>
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The type of the color space.

### 6.9 ComboBoxField Interface

This interface represents a drop-down combo box with items to choose from.

**Hierarchy:**

```
FormFieldNode
  └ FormField
    └ ChoiceField
      └ ComboBoxField
```

### 6.9.1 CanEdit

| Property (get, set): | bool CanEdit |
| Error code (get):    | IllegalStateException |
| Error codes (set):   | IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation |

When `true`, then the combo box allows the user to enter an arbitrary string as chosen item.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**   The combo box field or the owning document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The document associated with the combo box field is read-only.

### 6.9.2 ChosenItem

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The selected combo box `ChoiceItem`.

If `null` then the editable item is selected and its value is `EditableItemName`.
Setting this property automatically sets EditableItemName to null.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- (get, set) The combo box field or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The combo box field is ReadOnly.
- (set) The combo box field has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document associated with the combo box field is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**
- The given ChoiceItem does not belong to this combo box field.
- The given ChoiceItem is null.

### 6.9.3 EditableItemName

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This property represents the freely editable string when CanEdit is true.

This property is null if any of the Items is selected, i.e. if ChosenItem is not null.

Setting this property automatically sets ChosenItem to null.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- (get, set) The combo box field or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The combo box field is ReadOnly.
- (set) The CanEdit is false.
- (set) The combo box field has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document associated with the combo box field is read-only.

### 6.10 CombTextField Interface

In contrast to GeneralTextFields, a CombTextField displays the Text as follows: The Widget’s Rectangle is partitioned into MaxLength cells (“combs”) of equal width, and the Text is displayed by displaying one character per cell.

In a CombTextField, MaxLength never is undefined.

**Hierarchy:**

FormFieldNode
- FormField
  - TextField
    - CombTextField
6.11 Content Interface

Represents the content of a page or a group.

The interface has no methods on its own, but can be modified with a ContentGenerator or extracted with a ContentExtractor.

6.12 ContentElement Interface

Note: While content elements incorporate all graphical aspects of page content, they do not include structural information, i.e. “tags”. As a consequence, copying content elements from an input page to an output page infers loss of such information. Therefore, documents with a PDF/A conformance level “a” (PDF/A-1a, PDF/A-2a, and PDF/A-3a) cannot be created using ContentElements.

Hierarchy:

- ContentElement
  - GroupElement
  - ImageElement
  - ImageMaskElement
  - PathElement
  - ShadingElement
  - TextElement

6.12.1 BoundingBox

Property (get): Rectangle BoundingBox
Error code (get): IllegalState

This is the rectangle in untransformed coordinates that encompasses all the parts of the content element. Use the Transformation to compute the transformed (actual) coordinates with respect to the parent page or group content.

Error Code:

IllegalState The ColorSpace object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.12.2 Transformation

Property (get): Transformation Transformation
Error code (get): IllegalState
This is the coordinate transformation applicable to this content element. Use this transform to compute the actual location of the content element’s bounding box on the containing page or group.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The ColorSpace object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.13 ContentExtractor Interface

This interface is an enumerable that can be used to iterate through ContentElements. See Programming Interfaces for more information on how enumerables are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

#### 6.13.1 ContentExtractor Constructor

**Method:** `ContentExtractor(Content content)`

**Error codes:** IO, Corrupt, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation

**License features:** Extraction, Modification

Create a new content extractor for extracting a page's or group's ContentElements.

**Parameter:**

content  [Content]  The content object of a page or group.

**Error Codes:**

**IO**  Error occurred reading from the document.

**Corrupt**  The document is corrupt.

**IllegalArgument**

- The content argument is null.
- The content argument has already been closed.
- The Document object associated with the content argument has already been closed.
- The Page/Group object associated with the content argument has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The content argument stems from a group object that has been created with CreateGroup or CopyPageAsGroup.

#### 6.13.2 Ungrouping

**Property (get, set):** UngroupingSet Ungrouping

**Default:** None

**Error code:** IllegalState
Use this property to configure the extractor’s behavior regarding the selection of groups to be un-grouped.
Groups in the content can either be extracted as GroupElements, or their content can be un-grouped, in which case groups’ content elements are extracted as if not belonging to a group.

6.14 ContentGenerator Interface

6.14.1 ContentGenerator Constructor

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Create a new content generator for appending or prepending to the content of a page or group.

**Parameters:**

- content [Content] The content object of a page or group.
- prepend [bool]
  - true for prepending to the content (apply content to background of page).
  - false for appending (apply content to foreground of page).

**Error Codes:**

- IO Error occurred reading from the document.
- Corrupt The document is corrupt.
- IllegalArgument
  - The content argument is null.
  - The content argument has already been closed.
  - The Document object associated with the content argument has already been closed.
  - The Page/Group object associated with the content argument has already been closed.

6.14.2 AppendContentElement

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Paint a ContentElement, i.e. either of the following: GroupElement, ImageElement, ImageMaskElement, PathElement, ShadingElement, or TextElement.

**Parameter:**

- contentElement [ContentElement] The ContentElement to be painted.
Error Codes:

IllegalState
- The contentElement has already been closed.
- The associated Content object has already been closed.

IllegalArgumentException
- The contentElement is associated with a different document.
- The contentElement is null.

UnsupportedOperation This content generator's content stems from a Group object that has been created with CreateGroup or CopyPageAsGroup.

6.14.3 Close

Method: void Close()
Error code: IllegalState

Close the Generator.
The generated object is not finalized until this method is called.
All native data structures that belong to the generator are freed.
After closing the generator, any call to a method of the generator will result in an IllegalState error.

Error Code:

IllegalState The generator has already been closed.

6.14.4 PaintImage

Method: void PaintImage(Image image, Rectangle targetRect)
Error codes: IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException

Paint an image.
See Image.

Parameters:

image [Image] The image to be painted.

targetRect [Rectangle] The target rectangle in the current coordinate system. If targetRect is null, the unit rectangle [0, 0, 1, 1] is used.
Error Codes:

IllegalState
- The associated Document object has already been closed.
- The associated Page/Group object has already been closed.
- The associated Content object has already been closed.
- The ContentGenerator object has already been closed.

IllegalArgument
- The image argument is null.
- The image argument has already been closed.
- The image argument is associated with a different Document object.

6.14.5 PaintImageMask

Method: void PaintImageMask(ImageMask imageMask, Rectangle targetRect, Paint fill)
Error codes: IllegalState, IllegalArgument

Paint an image (stencil) mask.

An image mask is a monochrome image, in which each sample is specified by a single bit. However, instead of being painted in opaque black and white, the image mask is treated as a stencil mask that is partly opaque and partly transparent. Sample values in the image do not represent black and white pixels; rather, they designate places on the content that should either be marked with the fill paint or masked out (not marked at all). Areas that are masked out retain their former contents.

The effect is like applying paint in the current color through a cut-out stencil, which allows the paint to reach the page in some places and masks it out in others.

Parameters:

imageMask [ImageMask] The image (stencil) mask.

targetRect [Rectangle] The target rectangle in the current coordinate system. If targetRect is null, the unit rectangle [0, 0, 1, 1] is used.

fill [Paint] The paint for filling marked pixels.

Error Codes:

IllegalState
- The associated Document object has already been closed.
- The associated Page/Group object has already been closed.
- The associated Content object has already been closed.
- The ContentGenerator object has already been closed.

IllegalArgument
- The imageMask argument is null.
- The imageMask argument has already been closed.
The \textit{imageMask} argument is associated with a different Document object.

- The \textit{fill} argument is null.
- The \textit{fill} argument has already been closed.
- The \textit{fill} argument is associated with a different Document object.

### 6.14.6 PaintPath

**Method:**
```csharp
void PaintPath(Path path, Paint fill, StrokeParams stroke, bool intersectClipPath)
```

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgument, UnsupportedOperation

Paint a path.

The path is first filled and then stroked, then the clip path is intersected.

**Note:** The blend modes for filling and stroking must be the same.

**Parameters:**

- \textit{path}  \quad [Path]  \quad The path to be painted.
- \textit{fill}  \quad [Paint]  \quad The fill paint or null if the path should not be filled.
- \textit{stroke}  \quad [StrokeParams]  \quad The stroke properties or null if the path should not be stroked.
- \textit{intersectClipPath}  \quad [bool]  \quad If true, the current clip path is intersected.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**
  - The associated Document object has already been closed.
  - The associated Page/Group object has already been closed.
  - The associated Content object has already been closed.
  - The ContentGenerator object has already been closed.

- **IllegalArgument**
  - The \textit{path} argument is null.
  - The \textit{path} argument has already been closed.
  - The \textit{fill} argument has already been closed.
  - The \textit{fill} argument is associated with a different Document object.
  - The Paint object associated with the \textit{stroke} argument is null.
  - The Paint object associated with the \textit{stroke} argument has already been closed.
  - The Paint object associated with the \textit{stroke} argument is associated with a different Document object.

- **UnsupportedOperation**  
  - The Paint objects associated with the \textit{fill} and \textit{stroke} arguments use different blend modes.
## 6.14.7 PaintText

**Method:**

```java
void PaintText(Text text)
```

**Error codes:** `IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException`

Paint text.

### Parameter:

- `text` [Text] The text to be painted.

### Error Codes:

**IllegalState**

- The associated `Document` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Page/Group` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Content` object has already been closed.
- The `ContentGenerator` object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgumentException**

- The `text` argument is `null`.
- The `text` argument has already been closed.
- The `text` argument is associated with a different `Document` object.

## 6.14.8 PaintGroup

**Method:**

```java
void PaintGroup(Group group, Rectangle targetRect, TransparencyParams transparencyParams)
```

**Error codes:** `IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException`

Paint a group.

### Parameters:

- `group` [Group] The group to be painted.
- `targetRect` [Rectangle] The target rectangle in the current coordinate system. If `targetRect` is `null`, a default rectangle `[0, 0, groupWidth, groupHeight]` is used.
- `transparencyParams` [TransparencyParams] The transparency parameters to be used when painting the group. If `transparencyParams` is `null`, then the group is painted opaque.

### Error Codes:

**IllegalState**

- The associated `Document` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Page/Group` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Content` object has already been closed.
- The `ContentGenerator` object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgument**
- The `group` argument is `null`.
- The `group` argument has already been closed.
- The `group` argument is associated with a different `Document` object.
- The `group` argument contains no content or the content generator has not been closed yet.
- The `group` argument contains interactive elements (see `CopyPageAsGroup`) and has already been painted.

### 6.14.9 Restore

**Method:** `void Restore()`  
Error code: `IllegalState`

Restore the graphics state.  
The most recently saved state is restored and removed from the graphics state stack.  
The following properties are affected:  
- The current transform matrix.  
- The current clip path.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**
- The associated `Document` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Page/Group` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Content` object has already been closed.
- The `ContentGenerator` object has already been closed.

### 6.14.10 Save

**Method:** `void Save()`  
Error code: `IllegalState`

Save the current graphics state.  
The graphics state is stored on the graphics state stack.  
The following properties are affected:  
- The current transform matrix.
The current clip path.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**
- The associated `Document` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Page/Group` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Content` object has already been closed.
- The `ContentGenerator` object has already been closed.

### 6.14.11 Transform

**Method:**
```java
void Transform(Transformation transformation)
```

**Error codes:** `IllegalState`, `IllegalArgument`

Modify the current transformation matrix by concatenating the specified matrix.

**Parameter:**

`transformation` [Transformation] The transformation that is applied to the current transformation.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- The associated `Document` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Page/Group` object has already been closed.
- The associated `Content` object has already been closed.
- The `ContentGenerator` object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgument**
- The `transformation` argument is non-invertible.
- The `transformation` argument is `null`.
- The `transformation` argument has already been closed.

### 6.15 Destination Interface

A destination is a location in the document that can be used as a jump target, e.g. for outline items (bookmarks) or link annotations.

**Hierarchy:**

```
Destination
  └ DirectDestination
      └ FitHeightDestination
      └ FitPageDestination
      └ FitRectangleDestination
      └ FitWidthDestination
      └ LocationZoomDestination
      └ NamedDestination
```
6.15.1 Target

| Property (get): | DirectDestination Target | Error code (get): | IllegalState |

The target destination.

For a DirectDestination, this is just the destination itself.

Error Code:

IllegalState

- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

6.16 DirectDestination Interface

A destination that directly points to a specific location in the document.

Note: Most PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”. Most destination types will change the current viewing mode in those viewers. Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus a LocationZoomDestination should be preferred in most cases.

Hierarchy:

- Destination
  - DirectDestination
    - FitHeightDestination
    - FitPageDestination
    - FitRectangleDestination
    - FitWidthDestination
    - LocationZoomDestination

6.16.1 Page

| Property (get): | Page Page | Error codes (get): | IllegalState, Corrupt |

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6.17 Document Interface

6.17.1 AssociatedFiles

Property (get): FileReferenceList AssociatedFiles
Error code (get): IllegalState
License features: Extraction, Assembly

This is the list of embedded files that are associated with the document.
If the document is writable, then it is possible to append new FileReferences to the list. File references appended to this list are automatically also appended to the EmbeddedFiles. Every FileReference object can occur at most once in this list.

Appending to this list results in a Conformance error if the document's Conformance is neither PDF/A-3 nor PDF 2.0. Furthermore, reading from this list is not supported and results in an UnsupportedOperation error.

Error Code:
IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

6.17.2 Close

Method: void Close()
Error codes: IO, Corrupt, IllegalState

Close the PDF document.
If the document instance is writable, all remaining data is written to the stream and the document is finalized. All native data structures that belong to the document are freed.

After closing the document, any call to a method of the document or its subobjects (e.g. Page objects) will result in an IllegalState error.

Error Codes:
IO  Error writing to the stream.

Error Codes:
IllegalState  The destination has already been closed.
The associated document has already been closed.
Corrupt  The page could not be found or does not exist in the document.
Corrupt  The file to be written is corrupt (i.e. contains no pages).

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

6.17.3 Conformance

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Get the claimed conformance of the document.
This property only returns the claimed conformance level, the document is not validated.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

6.17.4 CopyAnnotation

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Copy an annotation from a different document.
The newly created annotation is associated with the document, but does not belong to any page yet until added to a Page's Annotations.

Thread safety:  This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

License Feature Note:  Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature Assembly is active.

Parameter:


Returns:

The copied annotation, associated with the current document.

Error Codes:

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.
UnsupportedOperation
- The document is read-only.
- The `annotation` argument is not associated with an input document.

IllegalArgument
- The `annotation` argument is `null`.
- The `annotation` argument has already been closed.
- The `annotation` argument is a `Widget`.
- The `annotation` argument is not associated with any document.

6.17.5 CopyColorSpace

**Method:** `ColorSpace CopyColorSpace(ColorSpace colorSpace)`  
**Error codes:** `IO`, `Corrupt`, `IllegalState`, `UnsupportedOperation`, `IllegalArgument`  

Create a new color space object from a color space of a different document.

**Thread safety:** This method needs **exclusive** access to the source document.

**License Feature Note:** Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature `Assembly` is active.

**Parameter:**

`colorSpace`  `[ColorSpace]`  A color space of a different document.

**Returns:**

The copied color space, associated with the current document.

**Error Codes:**

- `IO`  Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document.
- `Corrupt`  The source document is corrupt.
- `IllegalState`  The document has already been closed.
- `UnsupportedOperation`  
  - The document is read-only.
  - The `colorSpace` argument is not associated with an input document.
- `IllegalArgument`  
  - The `colorSpace` argument is `null`.
  - The `colorSpace` argument has already been closed.
6.17.6 CopyContentElement

**Method:** ContentElement CopyContentElement(ContentElement contentElement)

**Error codes:** IO, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:** Modification

Copy a content element from a different document.

The newly created content element is associated with the document but is not yet used in any content of the document's pages or groups. Use a ContentGenerator's AppendContentElement method to use the content element.

**Thread safety:** This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

**License Feature Note:** Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature Assembly is active.

**Parameter:**

- **contentElement** [ContentElement] A content element associated with a different document.

**Returns:**

A content element that is a copy of the passed content element, but associated with the current document. The actual type of the return value is either GroupElement, ImageElement, ImageMaskElement, PathElement, ShadingElement, or TextElement.

**Error Codes:**

- **IO** Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document.
- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The contentElement is not associated with an input document.
- **IllegalArgument**
  - The contentElement argument is null.
  - The contentElement object has already been closed.

6.17.7 CopyFormFieldNode

**Method:** FormFieldNode CopyFormFieldNode(FormFieldNode formFieldNode)

**Error codes:** IO, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:** Forms
Copy a form field node from a different document. The newly created form field node is associated with the document but is not yet added to the `FormField` or to any `SubForm`.

If the form field node is a `SubForm` then all child nodes are copied as well.

**Thread safety:** This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

**License Feature Note:** Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature `Assembly` is active.

**Parameter:**

`formFieldNode` [FormFieldNode] A form field node associated with a different document.

**Returns:**

A form field node that is a copy of the passed form field node, but associated with the current document.

**Error Codes:**

- **IO** Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document
- **IllegalState**
  - The document has already been closed.
  - The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by `CopyPage` with activated `CopyOption CopyFormFields`.
- **UnsupportedOperation**
  - The document is read-only.
  - The `formFieldNode` is not associated with an input document.
- **IllegalArgument**
  - The `formFieldNode` argument is `null`.
  - The `formFieldNode` has already been closed.
  - The `formFieldNode` argument has already been copied to this document.

### 6.17.8 CopyMetadata

**Method:** `Metadata CopyMetadata(Metadata metadata)`

**Error codes:** `IO, Corrupt, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument`

Copy a metadata object from a different document.

The newly created metadata object is associated with the document but not automatically used as the document metadata. Set the property `Metadata` to achieve that.
Thread safety: This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

License Feature Note: Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature Assembly is active.

Parameter:


Returns:

A metadata object with the same content as metadata, but associated with the current document.

Error Codes:

IO Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document.

Corrupt The source document is corrupt.

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument

- The metadata argument is null.
- The metadata object has already been closed.

6.17.9 CopyPage

Method: Page CopyPage(Page page, CopyOption options)

Error codes: IO, Corrupt, Conformance, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

License features: Annotation, Assembly, Forms, Modification

Create a page object from a page of a different document.

Thread safety: This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

License Feature Note: Copying from multiple input documents is only possible if the license feature Assembly is active.

Parameters:

options  [CopyOption]  The copy options.

Returns:

The copied page, associated with the current document.

Error Codes:

**IO**  Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document.

**Corrupt**  The source document is corrupt.

**Conformance**

- The conformance level of the source document is not compatible with the conformance level of the target document.
- The explicitly requested conformance level is PDF/A Level A (PdfA1A, PdfA2A or PdfA3A) and the copy option CopyLogicalStructure is not set.

**IllegalState**

- The document has already been closed.
- The CopyFormFields flag is set in the options parameter and the document contains form fields that have either been explicitly copied with CopyFormFieldNode or created with CreateCheckBoxField, CreateComboBoxField, CreateCombTextField, CreateGeneralTextField, CreateListBoxField, CreateRadioButtonField, or CreateSubForm.

**UnsupportedOperation**

- The document is read-only.
- The page argument is not associated with an input document.

**IllegalArgument**

- The page argument is null.
- The page argument has already been closed.

### 6.17.10 CopyPageAsGroup

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Create a group object from a page of a different document.

A group that contains interactive elements can be painted once only. Interactive elements are annotations, form fields, outlines or logical structure information. If a group needs to be painted multiple times, interactive elements can be flattened or the group can be copied multiple times from the page.

There are some interactive elements such as form fields or text annotations that cannot be rotated. So if you plan to rotate the group, it is recommended to flatten form fields and annotations.
Thread safety: This method needs exclusive access to the source document.

Parameters:


options [CopyOption] The copy options.

Returns:

The copied group, associated with the current document.

Error Codes:

IO Error reading from the source document or writing to the target document.

Corrupt The source document is corrupt.

Conformance

- The conformance level of the source document is not compatible with the conformance level of the target document.
- The explicitly requested conformance level is PDF/A Level A (PdfA1A, PdfA2A or PdfA3A) and the copy option CopyLogicalStructure is not set.

IllegalState

- The document has already been closed.
- The CopyFormFields flag is set in the options parameter and the document contains form fields that have either been explicitly copied with CopyFormFieldNode or created with CreateCheckBoxField, CreateComboBoxField, CreateCombTextField, CreateGeneralTextField, CreateListBoxField, CreateRadioButtonField, or CreateSubForm.

UnsupportedOperation

- The document is read-only.
- The page argument is not associated with an input document.

IllegalArgument

- The page argument is null.
- The page argument has already been closed.

6.17.11 Create

Method: Document Create(Stream stream, Compliance conformance, EncryptionParams encryption)

Static

Error codes: IO, License, IllegalArgument

License features: Annotation, Assembly, Creation, Forms, Modification
Create a new PDF document. Documents with created with this method are writable and can be modified.

**Parameters:**

**stream**  [Stream]  The stream where the PDF document is stored.

Both, read and write access is required.

**conformance**  [Compliance]

The required conformance level of the PDF document. Adding pages or content from incompatible documents or using incompatible features will lead to a conformance error.

Using **Unknown**, the conformance is determined automatically, based on the conformance of the input documents and the requirements of the used features.

Note that for PDF/A document it is highly recommended to set an output intent using the **OutputIntent** property.

**encryption**  [EncryptionParams]  The optional encryption parameters.

**Returns:**

The newly created document instance.

**Error Codes:**

**IO**  Error writing to the stream.

**License**  The product is not properly licensed.

**IllegalArgumentException**  The stream argument is **null**.

### 6.17.12 CreateCheckBoxField

**Method:**  Field  CreateCheckBoxField()

**Error codes:**  **IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation**

**License feature:**  **Forms**

Create a new **CheckBoxField**.

**Returns:**

The newly created check box field.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- The document has already been closed.
The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by \texttt{CopyPage} with activated \texttt{CopyOption CopyFormFields}.

\textbf{UnsupportedOperation} \hspace{1em} The document is read-only.

### 6.17.13 \texttt{CreateComboBoxField}

**Method:** Field \texttt{CreateComboBoxField()}  
**Error codes:** \texttt{IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation}  
**License feature:** Forms  

Create a new \texttt{ComboBoxField}.

**Returns:**  
The newly created combo box field.

**Error Codes:**

\textbf{IllegalState}  
- The document has already been closed.  
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by \texttt{CopyPage} with activated \texttt{CopyOption CopyFormFields}.

\textbf{UnsupportedOperation} \hspace{1em} The document is read-only.

### 6.17.14 \texttt{CreateCombTextField}

**Method:** CombTextField \texttt{CreateCombTextField(int maxLength)}  
**Error codes:** \texttt{IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation,IllegalArgumentException}  
**License feature:** Forms  

Create a new \texttt{CombTextField}.

**Parameter:**

\texttt{maxLength} \hspace{1em} \texttt{[int]} \hspace{1em} The maximal character length for this field.

**Returns:**  
The newly created comb text field.

**Error Codes:**

\textbf{IllegalState}  
- The document has already been closed.
The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by `CopyPage` with activated `CopyOperation CopyFormFields`.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgumentException**  The given `maxLength` is smaller than 0.

### 6.17.15 CreateDeviceColorSpace

**Method:** `ColorSpace CreateDeviceColorSpace(DeviceColorSpaceType type)`

**Error codes:** `IO, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException`

**License feature:** `Creation`

Get the device color space of a certain type.

If the conformance of the document was **explicitly** set to PDF/A and the document has no appropriate output intent, one of the following color spaces is created instead:

- **Gray**  A calibrated grayscale color space, based on sRGB.
- **RGB**  A calibrated RGB color space, based on sRGB.
- **CMYK**  An ICC based CMYK color space, based on an available CMYK color profile.

If the conformance of the document was **automatically determined** to be PDF/A and the document has no appropriate output intent, the document is downgraded to a plain PDF.

**Parameter:**

- `type [DeviceColorSpaceType]`  The color space type.

**Returns:**

The newly created color space object.

**Error Codes:**

- **IO**  Unable to read a required ICC profile or writing to the document.
- **IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.
- **IllegalArgumentException**  The `type` argument is `null`.

### 6.17.16 CreateFileReference

**Method:** `FileReference CreateFileReference(Stream data, String name, String mediaType, String description, Date modificationDate)`

**Error codes:** `IllegalStateException, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException, IO`

**License feature:** `Assembly`
The newly created FileReference object belongs to the document but is not (yet) used as an embedded file. The object can be added to the list of embedded files or to the list of associated files.

**Parameters:**

- **data** [Stream] A stream of the file to be added. Read access is required.
- **name** [String] The name to be used for the embedded file. This name is presented to the user when viewing the list of embedded files.
- **mediaType** [String] The mime type of the embedded file. Default: "application/octet-stream". Common values other than the default are "application/pdf", "application/xml", or "application/msword".
- **description** [String] The description of the embedded file. This is presented to the user when viewing the list of embedded files.
- **modificationDate** [Date] The modify date of the file. Default: current time.

**Returns:**

The newly created file reference object.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.
- **IllegalArgument**
  - The stream argument is null.
  - The name argument is null or an empty string.
- **IO** Error reading from the stream.

### 6.17.17 CreateFont

**Method:** Font CreateFont(Stream stream, bool embedded)

**Error codes:** IO, UnknownFormat, Corrupt, Conformance, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:** Creation

Create a new font object from font file data.

Supported formats are:

- Type1
- CFF
TrueType
OpenType

Parameters:

stream  [Stream]  The font file data stream.

embedded  [bool]  true if the font shall be embedded in the document.

Note that this parameter must be true for PDF/A documents.

Returns:

The newly created Font object.

Error Codes:

IO  Error reading from the font file or writing to the document.

UnknownFormat  The font data has an unknown format.

Corrupt  The font data is corrupt.

Conformance  The embedded argument is false for PDF/A document.

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument

- The stream argument is null.
- The family argument is null.

6.17.18 CreateSystemFont

Method:  Font CreateSystemFont(String family, String style, bool embedded)

Error codes:  NotFound, IO, UnknownFormat, Corrupt, Conformance, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

License feature:  Creation

Create a new font object from an installed font.

Supported formats are:

- Type1
- CFF
- TrueType
- OpenType

Parameters:

family  [String]  The font family name (e.g. "Arial").
**style** [String]  The font style (e.g. "Bold").

**embedded** [bool]  **true** if the font shall be embedded in the document.

Note that this parameter must be **true** for PDF/A documents.

**Returns:**

The newly created Font object.

**Error Codes:**

**NotFound**  There is no such font installed.

**IO**  Error reading from the font file or writing to the document.

**UnknownFormat**  The font data has an unknown format.

**Corrupt**  The font data is corrupt.

**Conformance**  The **embedded** argument is **false** for PDF/A document.

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**  The **family** argument is **null** or an empty string.

### 6.17.19 CreateGeneralTextField

**Method:**  GeneralTextField CreateGeneralTextField()

**Error codes:**  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

**License feature:**  Forms

Create a new GeneralTextField.

**Returns:**

The newly created general text form field object.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- The document has already been closed.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by CopyPage with activated CopyOption CopyFormFields.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.
6.17.20 CreateGroup

Method: Group CreateGroup(Size size)

Error codes: IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

License features: Creation, Modification

Create an empty group object.

Parameter:

size [Size] The size of the group.

Returns:

The newly created group object.

Error Codes:

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

IllegalArgumentException The size argument is null.

6.17.21 CreateICCColorSpace

Method: ColorSpace CreateICCColorSpace(Stream stream)

Error codes: IO, UnknownFormat, Corrupt, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException

License feature: Creation

Create a new color space object from an ICC color profile.

Parameter:

stream [Stream] The color profile data stream.

Returns:

The newly created color profile object.

Error Codes:

IO Error reading from the profile or writing to the document.

UnknownFormat The profile data has an unknown format.

Corrupt The profile data is corrupt.
IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument  The stream argument is null.

6.17.22  CreateImage

Method:  Image CreateImage(Stream stream)

Error codes:  IO, UnknownFormat, Corrupt, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation,
IllegalArgument

License feature:  Creation

Create an image object from image data.

Supported formats are:

- BMP
- DIB
- JPEG
- JPEG2000
- JBIG2
- PNG
- GIF

Parameter:

stream  [Stream]  The image data stream.

Returns:

The newly created image object.

Error Codes:

IO  Error reading from the image or writing to the document.

UnknownFormat  The image data has an unknown format.

Corrupt  The image data is corrupt.

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument  The stream argument is null.
6.17.23 CreateImageMask

**Method:** ImageMask CreateImageMask(Stream stream)

**Error codes:** IO, UnknownFormat, Corrupt, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:** Creation

Create an image mask object from image data.

Supported formats are:
- BMP
- DIB
- JBIG2
- PNG
- GIF

**Parameter:**

stream [Stream] The image data stream.

**Returns:**

The newly created image mask object.

**Error Codes:**

IO   Error reading from the image or writing to the document.

UnknownFormat The image data has an unknown format or the format is not suitable for an image mask.

Corrupt The image data is corrupt.

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument The stream argument is null.

6.17.24 CreateListBoxField

**Method:** Field CreateListBoxField()

**Error codes:** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

**License feature:** Forms

Create a new ListBoxField.

**Returns:**

The newly created list box field.
Error Codes:

IllegalState
- The document has already been closed.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by CopyPage with activated CopyOption CopyFormFields.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

6.17.25 CreateMetadata

Method: Metadata CreateMetadata(Stream xmp)

Parameter:
xmp [Stream] A stream containing an XMP file or null to create an empty metadata object.

Returns:
The newly created metadata object.

Error Codes:

IO Error reading from the XMP stream or writing to the target document.

Corrupt The XMP stream is corrupt.

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

6.17.26 CreateNamedDestination

Method: NamedDestination CreateNamedDestination(String name, DirectDestination target)

Error codes: IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation,IllegalArgument

License features: Creation, Assembly
Create a new named destination object.

**Parameters:**

- **name** [String] The name by which the destination is referred to.
- **target** [DirectDestination] The target destination.

**Returns:**

The newly created named destination object.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.
- **IllegalArgument**
  - The `name` argument is `null`.
  - The `target` argument is `null`.
  - The `target` argument has already been closed.
  - The `target` argument points to a page in a different document.

### 6.17.27 CreateOutlineItem

**Method:** OutlineItem CreateOutlineItem(String title, Destination destination)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License features:** Creation, Assembly

Create a new outline item (bookmark).

The returned outline item is not yet part of the outline item tree. It can be inserted at any position in the tree.

**Parameters:**

- **title** [String] The title of the newly created outline item.
- **destination** [Destination] The destination that this outline item refers to or null if the item has no destination.

**Returns:**

The newly created outline item object.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.
UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument

- The title argument is null.
- The destination argument has already been closed.
- The destination argument points to a page in a different document.

6.17.28  CreatePage

Method:  Page  CreatePage(Size size)
Error codes:  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument
License features:  Assembly, Creation, Forms, Modification

Create an empty page.
The page is associated with the document but not yet part of it. It can be appended to the page list (see: Pages).

Parameter:

size  [Size]  The page size.

Returns:
The newly created page object.

Error Codes:

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

IllegalArgument  The size argument is null.

6.17.29  CreateRadioButtonField

Method:  Field  CreateRadioButtonField()
Error codes:  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation
License feature:  Forms

Create a new RadioButtonField.

Returns:
The newly created radio button field.
6.17.30 CreateSolidPaint

Method: Paint CreateSolidPaint(ColorSpace colorSpace, double[] color)

Error codes: IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException

License feature: Creation

Create an new solid paint in a color space.

Parameters:

- colorSpace [ColorSpace] The color space of the paint.
- color [double[]] The color components. The allowed value range is dependent on the color space, for most color spaces it is 0.0 to 1.0.

Returns:

The newly created paint object.

Error Codes:

- IllegalState The document has already been closed.
- UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.
- IllegalArgumentException
  - The colorSpace argument is null.
  - The colorSpace argument has already been closed.
  - The colorSpace argument is associated with a different document.
  - The color argument is null.
  - The color argument contains too few elements.
  - An element of the color argument is out of range.

6.17.31 CreateAlphaPaint

Method: Paint CreateAlphaPaint(ColorSpace colorSpace, double alpha, double[] color)

Error codes: Conformance, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException

License feature: Creation
Create an new transparent paint in the specified color space.

Parameters:

**colorSpace**  [ColorSpace]  The color space of the paint.

**alpha**  [double]  The opacity (alpha) of the paint.

**color**  [double[]]  The color components. The allowed value range is dependent on the color space, for most color spaces it is 0.0 to 1.0.

Returns:

The newly created paint object.

Error Codes:

**Conformance**  The **alpha** argument is not 1.0 and the explicitly specified conformance does not support transparency (PDF/A-1, PDF 1.0 - 1.3).

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**

- The **colorSpace** argument is **null**.
- The **colorSpace** argument has already been closed.
- The **colorSpace** argument is associated with a different document.
- The **alpha** argument is not in the allowed range of 0.0 to 1.0
- The **color** argument is **null**.
- The **color** argument contains too few elements.
- An element of the **color** argument is out of range.

### 6.17.32 CreateBlendingPaint

**Method:**  Paint  `CreateBlendingPaint(ColorSpace colorSpace, BlendMode blendMode, double alpha, double[] color)`

**Error codes:**  Conformance, IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:**  Creation

Create an new transparent paint with a blend mode.

Parameters:

**colorSpace**  [ColorSpace]  The color space of the paint.

**blendMode**  [BlendMode]  The blend mode of the paint.

**alpha**  [double]  The opacity (alpha) of the paint.
**color** [double[]]  The color components. The allowed value range is dependent on the color space, for most color spaces it is 0.0 to 1.0.

**Returns:**

The newly created paint object.

**Error Codes:**

**Conformance**

- The `alpha` argument is not 1.0 and the explicitly specified conformance does not support transparency (PDF/A-1, PDF 1.0 - 1.3).
- The `blendMode` argument is not `Normal` and the explicitly specified conformance does not support transparency (PDF/A-1, PDF 1.0 - 1.3).

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**

- The `colorSpace` argument is `null`.
- The `colorSpace` argument has already been closed.
- The `colorSpace` argument is associated with a different document.
- The `alpha` argument is not in the allowed range of 0.0 to 1.0
- The `color` argument is `null`.
- The `color` argument contains too few elements.
- An element of the `color` argument is out of range.

### 6.17.33 CreateSubForm

**Method:** SubForm `CreateSubForm()`

**Error codes:** `IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation`

**License feature:** `Forms`

Create a new **SubForm**.

**Returns:**

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- The document has already been closed.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by `CopyPage` with activated `CopyOption CopyFormFields`.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.
6.17.34 CreateText

**Method:** Text CreateText()

- **Error code:** IllegalState
- **License feature:** Creation

Create a new text object that is associated with this document.

**Returns:**

The newly created text object.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.

6.17.35 EmbeddedFiles

**Property (get):** FileReferenceList EmbeddedFiles

- **Error code (get):** IllegalState
- **License features:** Assembly, Extraction

This is the list of the embedded files of this document.

If the document is writable, then it is possible to append new FileReferences to the list. Every FileReference object can occur at most once in this list.

Furthermore, appending to this list results in an Conformance error if

- the document's Conformance is PDF/A-1. (PDF/A-1 does not support embedded files.)
- the document's Conformance is PDF/A-3. (In PDF/A-3, all embedded files must be associated.)

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState** The document has already been closed.

6.17.36 FormFields

**Property (get):** FormFieldNodeMap FormFields

- **Error code (get):** IllegalState
- **License features:** Extraction, Forms

This map contains all AcroForm form fields that belong to this document.

Adding to this map can result in the following errors:

- **IllegalState** if the map has already been closed
- **UnsupportedOperation** if the document is read-only
**IllegalArgument**
- if the given `FormFieldNode` is null.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` has already been closed.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` does not belong to the same document as the map.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` has already been added to a form field node map.
- if the given key is null.
- if the given key contains a full stop “.”.
- if the given key is already used in this map.

### 6.17.37 Metadata

**Property (get, set):** Metadata  Metadata  
**Error codes (set):** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

Get or set the metadata of the document. 
If the document is writable, the metadata object will be writable too and all changes to the metadata object are reflected in the document. When setting the metadata the entire metadata of the document is replaced.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.  

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.  

**IllegalArgument**
- The metadata object is null.
- The metadata object belongs to a different document.
- The metadata object has already been closed.

### 6.17.38 Open

**Method:**  Document Open(Stream stream, String password)  
**Static**  
**Error codes:**  Password, IO, Corrupt, UnsupportedFeature, Conformance, License, IllegalArgument  
**License features:**  Annotation, Assembly, Extraction, Forms, Modification

Open a PDF document.  
Documents opened with this method are read-only and cannot be modified.

**Parameters:**

**stream**  [Stream]  The stream where the PDF document is stored.  
Read access is required.
password [String]  The password to open the PDF document.

Returns:

The newly created document instance.

Error Codes:

Password  The file is encrypted and the password is not valid.

IO  Error reading from the stream.

Corrupt  The file is corrupt or not a PDF.

UnsupportedFeature  The file is a collection.

Conformance  The document's conformance level is not supported.

License  The product is not properly licensed.

IllegalArgumentException  The stream argument is null.

6.17.39  OpenDestination

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The destination that is displayed when the document is opened.

This property corresponds to the /OpenAction entry in the document catalog. If the /OpenAction entry is neither a destination nor a /GoTo action, the value of this property is null. Action types other than /GoTo are not supported.

6.17.40  OutlineItems

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Get the document outline (also known as "Bookmarks").

This property may never be null.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.
6.17.41 OutputIntent

**Property (get, set):** void OutputIntent

**Error codes (set):** UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument, IllegalState

Get or set the output intent of the document. If the document has no output intent, null is returned.

The output intent specifies a color profile that characterizes the intended output device. It is used to render device colors on devices other than the intended output device.

If the document's conformance is set to PDF/A and no output intent is set, all device colors are converted to calibrated colors while copying.

This method may not be called after any of the following methods have been called:

- CopyPage
- CopyPageAsGroup
- CreatePage
- CreateGroup

The color space used as output intent. The following restrictions apply for the color space used as output intent:

- The color space has to be ICC profile based.
- The color space has to be associated with the document, either by CopyColorSpace or by CreateICCColorSpace.

**Error Codes:**

**UnsupportedOperation**
- The document is read-only.
- An output intent has been set already.

**IllegalArgument**
- argument is null.
- argument has already been closed.
- argument is not an ICC profile based color space.
- argument is associated with a different document.

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.

6.17.42 Pages

**Property (get):** PageList Pages

**Error code (get):** IllegalState

Return the list of pages of the document.

If the document is writable, it is possible to append new pages to the end of the list.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The document has already been closed.
6.17.43 Permissions

**Property (get):** Permission? Permissions
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

The permissions in force for this document.
This property is null if the document is not encrypted.

**Error Code:**

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

6.17.44 SignatureFields

**Property (get):** SignatureFieldList SignatureFields
**Error code (get):** IllegalState
**License feature:** Extraction

The list of signature fields of the document.
Signature fields are a special kind of form fields, that can contain digital signatures.

**Error Code:**

IllegalState The document has already been closed.

6.18 FileReference Interface

6.18.1 AssociationRelationship

**Property (get, set):** String AssociationRelationship
**Error code:** IllegalState

The file's association relationship.
This property is null if the file is not associated with any object. When associating a file reference with an object such as the document or a page, then this property defines the relationship between the file and the object.
Typical values are:

"Source" Used if this file is the original source material for the associated content.

"Data" Used if this file represents information used to derive a visual presentation such as for a table or a graph.
"Alternative"  Used if this file is an alternative representation of content, for example audio.

"Supplement"  Used if this file represents a supplemental representation of the original source or data that may be more easily consumable (e.g., a MathML version of an equation).

"EncryptedPayload"  Used if this file is an encrypted payload document that should be displayed to the user if the PDF processor has the cryptographic filter needed to decrypt the document.

"FormData"  Used if this file is the data associated with form fields of this PDF.

"Schema"  Used if this file is a schema definition for the associated object.

"Unspecified"  Used when the relationship is not known.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.18.2 Description

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The file's description.
For embedded files, this is the description of the file presented to the user in the list of embedded files.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.18.3 MediaType

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The file's MIME type.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.18.4 ModificationDate

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The file's date of last modification.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.18.5 Name

*Property (get):* String Name  
*Error code (get):* IllegalState

The file name.  
For embedded files, this is the name presented to the user in a the list of embedded files.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.18.6 Data

*Property (get):* Stream Data  
*Error code (get):* IllegalState  
*License feature:* Extraction

The file's stream.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The FileReference object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.19 FileReferenceList Interface

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

A list of FileReferences can either be a list of document's embedded files (EmbeddedFiles) or a list of associated files (AssociatedFiles). For the latter, only appending elements to the list is supported, and reading elements from the list results in a UnsupportedFeature error.

### 6.20 FitHeightDestination Interface

A destination that fits the height of a page into the viewport
Note: Many PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”. A FitHeightDestination will change the current viewing mode to “fit height” in those viewers. Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus a LocationZoomDestination should be preferred in most cases.

Hierarchy:

Destination
   DirectDestination
      FitHeightDestination

6.20.1 FitHeightDestination Constructor

Method: FitHeightDestination(Page page, bool fitActualContent)

Parameters:

page [Page] The page in the document that this destination is pointing to.

fitActualContent [bool] If true, the viewport is fitted to the height of the actual content of the page, instead of the height of the page.

See property FitActualContent for more information.

Error Code:

IllegalArgument

- The page argument is null.
- The page argument has already been closed.

6.20.2 FitActualContent

Property (get): bool FitActualContent

Error code (get): IllegalState

If true, the viewport is fitted to the height of the actual content of the page, instead of the height of the page.
Note: Many PDF viewers simply ignore this property and always treat it as `false`, i.e. switching to “fit height” mode anyway.

Error Code:

`IllegalState`
- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

### 6.21 FitPageDestination Interface

A destination fits an entire page into the viewport.

Note: Many PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”. A `FitPageDestination` will change the current viewing mode to “fit page” in those viewers. Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus a `LocationZoomDestination` should be preferred in most cases.

#### Hierarchy:

```
Destination
  DirectDestination
    FitPageDestination
```

### 6.21.1 FitPageDestination Constructor

```csharp
Method: FitPageDestination(Page page, bool fitActualContent)
Error code: IllegalArgument
License features: Assembly, Creation
```

Create a new `FitPageDestination` object.

#### Parameters:

- `page` [Page] The page in the document that this destination is pointing to.
- `fitActualContent` [bool] If `true`, the viewport is fitted to the height of the actual content of the page, instead of the height of the page.
  
  See property `FitActualContent` for more information.
Error Code:

**IllegalArgument**
- The `page` argument is **null**.
- The `page` argument has already been closed.

### 6.21.2 FitActualContent

**Property (get):**  
`bool FitActualContent`

**Error code (get):**  
**IllegalState**

If **true**, the viewport is fitted to the actual content of the page, instead of the size of the page.

**Note:** Many PDF viewers simply ignore this property and always treat it as **false**, i.e. switching to “fit page” mode anyway.

Error Code:

**IllegalState**
- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

### 6.22 FitRectangleDestination Interface

A destination that fits a specified area of a page into the viewport.

**Note:** Many PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”. A `FitRectangleDestination` will change the current viewing mode to standard mode in those viewers, i.e. deactivate any special mode like “fit page” or “fit width”. Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus a `LocationZoomDestination` should be preferred in most cases.

Hierarchy:

```
Destination
 ▼ DirectDestination
    ▼ FitRectangleDestination
```
### 6.22.1 FitRectangleDestination Constructor

**Method:** `FitRectangleDestination(Page page, Rectangle rectangle)`

**Error code:** `IllegalArgument`

**License features:** `Assembly, Creation`

Create a new `FitRectangleDestination` object.

**Parameters:**

- `page` [Page] The page in the document that this destination is pointing to.
- `rectangle` [Rectangle] The rectangle that is displayed in the viewport.
  
  See property `Zoom` for more information.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalArgument`
  - The `page` argument is `null`.
  - The `page` argument has already been closed.
  - The `rectangle` argument is `null`.

### 6.22.2 Rectangle

**Property (get):** `Rectangle Rectangle`

**Error code (get):** `IllegalState`

The rectangle that is displayed in the viewport.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState`
  - The destination has already been closed.
  - The associated document has already been closed.

### 6.23 FitWidthDestination Interface

A destination that fits the width of a page into the viewport
Note: Many PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”. A FitWidthDestination will change the current viewing mode to “fit width” in those viewers. Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus a LocationZoomDestination should be preferred in most cases.

Hierarchy:

Destination
   DirectDestination
      FitWidthDestination

6.23.1 FitWidthDestination Constructor

Method: FitWidthDestination(Page page, bool fitActualContent)

Parameters:

page [Page] The page in the document that this destination is pointing to.

fitActualContent [bool] If true, the viewport is fitted to the height of the actual content of the page, instead of the height of the page.

See property FitActualContent for more information.

Error Code:

IllegalArgumentException

- The page argument is null.
- The page argument has already been closed.

6.23.2 FitActualContent

Property (get): bool FitActualContent

Error code (get): IllegalState

If true, the viewport is fitted to the width of the actual content of the page, instead of the width of the page.
Error Code:

**IllegalState**
- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

### 6.24 Font Interface

#### 6.24.1 BaseFont

**Property (get):** String BaseFont

**Error codes (get):** IllegalState, Corrupt

Get the PostScript name of the font.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.

**Corrupt**  The base font is missing or cannot be decoded.

#### 6.24.2 ItalicAngle

**Property (get):** double ItalicAngle

**Error code (get):** IllegalState

Get the italic angle of the font.

The angle is expressed in degrees counterclockwise from the vertical, of the dominant vertical strokes of the font. (For example, the 9-o’clock position is 90°, and the 3-o’clock position is -90°.) The value is negative for fonts that slope to the right, as almost all italic fonts do.

If an error occurs (because the font or the owning document is already closed) this method returns 0. But a return value of 0 is not generally an indication for failure.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.24.3 Ascent

**Property (get):** double Ascent  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

Get the ascent of the font.  
the maximum height above the baseline reached by glyphs in this font, excluding the height of glyphs for accented characters.  
If an error occurs (because the font or the owning document is already closed) this method returns 0. But a return value of 0 is not generally an indication for failure.

**Error Code:**  
IllegalState  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.24.4 Descent

**Property (get):** double Descent  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

Get the descent of the font.  
The maximum depth below the baseline reached by glyphs in this font. The value is a negative number.  
If an error occurs (because the font or the owning document is already closed) this method returns 0. But a return value of 0 is not generally an indication for failure.

**Error Code:**  
IllegalState  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.24.5 CapHeight

**Property (get):** double CapHeight  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

Get the cap height of the font.  
The vertical coordinate of the top of flat capital letters, measured from the baseline.  
If an error occurs (because the font or the owning document is already closed) this method returns 0. But a return value of 0 is not generally an indication for failure.

**Error Code:**  
IllegalState  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.24.6 GetCharWidth

**Method:** double GetCharWidth(int character)

**Error code:** IllegalState

Get the width of a single glyph.
The width of a unicode character (in pt) relative to a font size of 1 pt.
If an error occurs (because the font or the owning document is already closed) this method returns 0. But a return value of 0 is not generally an indication for failure.

**Error Code:**

IllegalState  The Font object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.25 FormField Interface

A form field is a node in the tree of form fields that cannot have any subordinate child fields, also called “terminal” form field.

This is the base class of all terminal form field types.

**Hierarchy:**

```
FormFieldNode
   FormField
      CheckBoxField
      ChoiceField
         ComboBoxField
         ListBoxField
      PushButtonField
      RadioButtonField
      TextField
         CombTextField
         GeneralTextField
```

6.25.1 DoNotExport

**Property (get, set):** bool DoNotExport

**Error code (get):** IllegalState

**Error codes (set):** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation
Tells whether this field is exported when exporting the form fields.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState** The `FormField` or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.

### 6.25.2 ReadOnly

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool ReadOnly</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Flags this field as read-only when viewing the document.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState** The `FormField` or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.

### 6.25.3 Required

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Flags this field as mandatory.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState** The `FormField` or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.

### 6.25.4 Widgets

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>WidgetList Widgets</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
This form field's **Widget** annotations.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**   The **FormField** or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**   The document is read-only.

### 6.25.5 AddNewWidget

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method:</th>
<th>Field</th>
<th>AddNewWidget(Rectangle rectangle)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td></td>
<td>IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation,IllegalArgument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>License feature:</td>
<td></td>
<td>Creation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This method creates a widget (visual manifestation) for the form field. The widget is automatically added to the field's **Widgets**, but not to any page. This method does not work for radio button form fields; use AddNewWidget.

**Parameter:**

**rectangle**  [Rectangle]   The widget's target rectangle on the page.

**Returns:**

The newly created form field widget.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**   The document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**

- The document is read-only.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by CopyPage with activated CopyOption CopyFormFields.
- The form field is of type RadioButtonField.

**IllegalArgument**   The **rectangle** argument is null.
6.26 FormFieldNode Interface

This is the base class of all form field classes and of sub forms.

Hierarchy:

```
FormFieldNode
  |--- FormField
  |     |--- CheckBoxField
  |     |--- ChoiceField
  |     |     |--- ComboBoxField
  |     |     |--- ListBoxField
  |     |--- PushButtonField
  |     |--- RadioButtonField
  |--- TextField
  |     |--- CombTextField
  |     |--- GeneralTextField
  |--- SubForm
```

6.26.1 DisplayName

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>String DisplayName</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The display name is not directly visible, but a PDF viewer can display this name, e.g., in a tool tip.

Error Codes:

**IllegalState**  The FormFieldNode or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

6.26.2 ExportName

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>String ExportName</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The name of this field used when exporting.

Error Codes:

**IllegalState**  The FormFieldNode or the owning document has already been closed.
6.27 FormFieldNodeMap Interface

See [chapter 5](#) for more information on how maps (dictionaries) are modeled.

This map contains `FormFieldNodes`.

### 6.27.1 Lookup

```csharp
Method: FormFieldNode Lookup(String identifierPath)
```

Error codes: `IllegalState, NotFound`

Look up the form field node given by the identifier path within this form field node map.

**Error Codes:**

- `IllegalState`  The document has already been closed.
- `NotFound`  No form field node with the given identifier path exists.

6.28 GeneralTextField Interface

This interface represents an ordinary text field.

**Hierarchy:**

```
FormFieldNode
  └ FormField
    └ TextField
      └ GeneralTextField
```

### 6.28.1 DoNotScroll

**Property (get, set):** `bool DoNotScroll`

**Error code (get):** `IllegalState`

**Error codes (set):** `IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation`

Flags this text field to have a non-scrollable user interface.

**Error Codes:**

- `IllegalState`  The `GeneralTextField` or the owning document has already been closed.
- `UnsupportedOperation`  The document is read-only.
6.28.2 DoNotSpellCheck

Property (get, set): `bool DoNotSpellCheck`

Error code (get): `IllegalState`

Error codes (set): `IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation`

Flags this text field to have user interface in which spell checking is disabled.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  The GeneralTextField or the owning document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

6.28.3 Multiline

Property (get, set): `bool Multiline`

Error code (get): `IllegalState`

Error codes (set): `IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation`

Flags this text field to have a user interface that permits line wrapping.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  (get, set) The GeneralTextField or the owning document has already been closed.
  - (set) The GeneralTextField has Widgets.
- **UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

6.28.4 Password

Property (get, set): `bool Password`

Error code (get): `IllegalState`

Error codes (set): `IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation`

Flags this text field to have a user interface that is suitable for password entry. Usually, a PDF viewer displays asterisks (*) instead of the characters entered or contained.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  (get, set) The GeneralTextField or the owning document has already been closed.
(set) The GeneralTextField has Widgets.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

### 6.29 Group Interface

#### 6.29.1 Size

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>Size Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td>IO, Corrupt, IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Get the size of the group.

**Error Codes:**

- **IO**  Error reading from the document.
- **Corrupt** The document is corrupt.
- **IllegalState**
  - The owning document has already been closed.
  - The group has already been closed.

#### 6.29.2 Content

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>Content Content</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td>IO, Corrupt, IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Get the group content.

If the group is writable, the content object can be used to apply new content on the group.

**Error Codes:**

- **IO**  Error reading from the document.
- **Corrupt** The document is corrupt.
- **IllegalState**
  - The owning document has already been closed.
  - The group has already been closed.
6.29.3 Isolated

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>boolean Isolated</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code:</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Get or set the transparency isolation behavior.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**
- The group has already been painted.
- The owning document has already been closed.
- The group has already been closed.

6.29.4 Knockout

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>boolean Knockout</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code:</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Get or set the transparency knockout behavior.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**
- The group has already been painted.
- The owning document has already been closed.
- The group has already been closed.

6.30 GroupElement Interface

A `ContentExtractor` yields such an element when encountering a PDF group unless un-grouping is configured, see Ungrouping.

**Hierarchy:**

```
ContentElement
|-- GroupElement
```

6.30.1 Group

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>Group Group</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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Use this property to access this element’s group.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `GroupElement` object or the owning document has already been closed.

## 6.31 Image Interface

### 6.31.1 Width

**Property (get):**  int  `Width`

**Error code (get):**  **IllegalState**

The width of the image in samples (pixels).

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `Image` object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.31.2 Height

**Property (get):**  int  `Height`

**Error code (get):**  **IllegalState**

The height of the image in samples (pixels).

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `Image` object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.31.3 BitsPerComponent

**Property (get):**  int  `BitsPerComponent`

**Error code (get):**  **IllegalState**

The number of bits used to represent each color component. Only a single value may be specified; the number of bits is the same for all color components. Valid values are 1, 2, 4, and 8.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `Image` object or the containing document has already been closed.
6.31.4 **ColorSpace**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>ColorSpace</th>
<th>ColorSpace</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The color space in which image samples are specified.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Image object or the containing document has already been closed.

6.32 **ImageElement Interface**

A **ContentExtractor** yields such an element when encountering a PDF image.

**Hierarchy:**

ContentElement

| ImageElement |

6.32.1 **Image**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>Image</th>
<th>Image</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Use this property to access this element's image.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The ImageElement object or the containing document has already been closed.

6.33 **ImageMask Interface**

6.33.1 **Width**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>int Width</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The width of the image mask in samples (pixels).

**Error Code:**

_IllegalState_ The ImageMask object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.33.2 Height

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>int Height</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><em>IllegalState</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The height of the image mask in samples (pixels).

**Error Code:**

_IllegalState_ The ImageMask object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.34 ImageMaskElement Interface

A ContentExtractor yields such an element when encountering a PDF image mask.

**Hierarchy:**

```
ContentElement
   - ImageMaskElement
```

### 6.34.1 ImageMask

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>ImageMask</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><em>IllegalState</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Use this property to access this element's image mask.

**Error Code:**

_IllegalState_ The ImageMaskElement object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.34.2 Paint

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>Paint</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><em>IllegalState</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Use this property to access the paint used for filling the image mask.

Error Code:

**IllegalState**  The ImageMaskElement object or the containing document has already been closed.

### 6.35 InternalLink Interface

A link annotation for document-wide links.

**Hierarchy:**

Annotation  
  | InternalLink

#### 6.35.1 Destination

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>Destination Destination</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The link's target destination.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**

- The InternalLink object or the owning document has already been closed.
- The InternalLink object has no destination.

### 6.36 ListBoxField Interface

This interface represents a list box with items to choose from.

**Hierarchy:**

FormFieldNode  
  | FormField  
  |  | ChoiceField  
  |  | ListBoxField

#### 6.36.1 AllowMultiSelect

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool AllowMultiSelect</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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When `true`, then the user is allowed to select multiple items in this list box field.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The `ListBoxField` or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

### 6.36.2 ChosenItems

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>ChoiceItemList ChosenItems</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td><strong>IllegalState</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The list of selected `ChoiceItems`.

Adding to this list can result in the following errors:

**IllegalState**

- if the list has already been closed.
- if the form field is marked as `ReadOnly`.
- if this list is not empty and the `ListBoxField` does not allow multiple items to be selected (`AllowMultiSelect`).
- if the choice field has `Widgets`.

**unsupportedOperation**  if the document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**

- if the given `ChoiceItem` is `null`.
- if the given `ChoiceItem` has already been closed.
- if the given `ChoiceItem` is already present in this list.
- if the given `ChoiceItem` does not belong to the `ChoiceField`'s `Items`.

Removing items or clearing the list results in an `IllegalState` error if the list box field is marked as `ReadOnly`, or if it has `Widgets`.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `ListBoxField` or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.37 LocationZoomDestination Interface

A destination that points to a specific location on the target page, using a specified zoom factor. The location is displayed in the top left corner of the viewport (if possible).

**Hierarchy:**

```
Destination
  └ DirectDestination
    └ LocationZoomDestination
```
6.37.1 LocationZoomDestination Constructor

| Method: LocationZoomDestination(Page page, double? left, double? top, double? zoom) |
| Error code: IllegalArgument |
| License features: Creation, Assembly |

Create a new LocationZoomDestination object.

**Parameters:**

- **page** [Page] The page in the document that this destination is pointing to.
- **left** [double?] The location of the page that is displayed at the left border of the viewport or null. See property Left for more information.
- **top** [double?] The location of the page that is displayed at the top of the viewport or null. See property Top for more information.
- **zoom** [double?] The zoom factor that is applied when jumping to the destination or null. See property Zoom for more information.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalArgument**
  - The page argument is null.
  - The page argument has already been closed.

6.37.2 Left

| Property (get): double? Left |
| Error code (get): IllegalState |

The location of the page that is displayed at the left border of the viewport (if possible).

If the property is null, the value from before the jump is retained.

**Note:** Due to the current zoom factor, it is usually not possible for viewers to scroll as far to the right side, as would be necessary to place the location at the left corner of the viewport. However, viewers will ensure that the location is at least visible. In practice this means, that this value is mostly irrelevant.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState**
  - The destination has already been closed.
6.37.3 Top

**Property (get):** double? Top  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

The location of the page that is displayed at the top of the viewport (if possible).
If the property is null, the value from before the jump is retained.

**Error Code:**

IllegalState
- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

6.37.4 Zoom

**Property (get):** double? Zoom  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

The zoom factor that is applied when jumping to the destination.
A value of null means that the current zoom level is retained.

**Note:** Many PDF viewers support different viewing modes like “fit page” or “fit width”.
A LocationZoomDestination with a Zoom value of null will usually not change the current viewing mode in most viewers.
For other Zoom values however, the viewer must switch to the standard mode, i.e. deactivate special modes like “fit page” or “fit width”.
Changing the viewing mode is usually not very well received by users and thus using a Zoom value other than null is discouraged.

**Error Code:**

IllegalState
- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

6.38 Metadata Interface

Represents the metadata of a document or an object in a document.
For document level metadata, all changes are reflected in both, XMP metadata and document info dictionary depending on the conformance of the document.

### 6.38.1 Author

**Property (get, set):** String `Author`

**Error code:** `IllegalState`

The name of the person who created the document or resource.

This property corresponds to the `<dc:creator>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the `/Author` entry in the document information dictionary.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState` The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.38.2 CreationDate

**Property (get, set):** Date `CreationDate`

**Error code:** `IllegalState`

Note: In the .NET interface `CreationDate` has type `DateTime` and is deprecated. Instead you should use `CreationDate2` which has type `DateTimeOffset` and hence includes time zone information.

The date and time the document or resource was originally created.

This property corresponds to the `<xmp:CreateDate>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the `/CreationDate` entry in the document information dictionary.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState` The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.38.3 Creator

**Property (get, set):** String `Creator`

**Error code:** `IllegalState`

The name of the first known tool used to create the document or resource.

This property corresponds to the `<xmp:CreatorTool>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the `/Creator` entry in the document information dictionary.
**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.38.4 CustomEntries

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>StringMap CustomEntries</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The custom entries in the document information dictionary.

The standard entries "Title", "Author", "Subject", "Keywords", "CreationDate", "ModDate", "Creator", "Producer" and "Trapped" are not included in the map. Any attempt to set a standard entry through this map will result in an error. To get or set standard entries use the corresponding properties instead.

**Note:** The document information dictionary has been superseded by XMP metadata and is deprecated in PDF 2.0.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.38.5 Keywords

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>String Keywords</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code:</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Keywords associated with the document or resource.

Keywords can be separated by:
- carriage return / line feed
- comma
- semicolon
- tab
- double space

This property corresponds to the `<pdf:Keywords>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the `/Keywords` entry in the document information dictionary.

Setting this property also sets the XMP property `<dc:subject>` accordingly.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.38.6 ModificationDate

**Property (get):** Date ModificationDate  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

**Note:** In the .NET interface ModificationDate has type DateTime and is deprecated. Instead you should use ModificationDate2 which has type DateTimeOffset and hence includes time zone information.

The date and time the document or resource was most recently modified.  
This property corresponds to the `<xmp:ModifyDate>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the /ModDate entry in the document information dictionary.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.38.7 Producer

**Property (get, set):** String Producer  
**Error code:** IllegalState

If the document was converted to PDF from another format, the name of the PDF processor that converted it to PDF.  
This property corresponds to the `<pdf:Producer>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the /Producer entry in the document information dictionary.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.38.8 Subject

**Property (get, set):** String Subject  
**Error code:** IllegalState

The subject of the document or resource.  
This property corresponds to the `<dc:description>` entry in the XMP metadata and to the /Subject entry in the document information dictionary.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.38.9 Title

Property (get, set):  String Title
       Error code:  IllegalState

The title of the document or resource.
This property corresponds to the \texttt{<dc:title>} entry in the XMP metadata and to the /Title entry in the document information dictionary.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.38.10 Xmp

Property (get):  Stream Xmp
       Error code (get):  IllegalState

The XMP metadata stream or \texttt{null} if there is none.
The stream is read-only. To set the XMP stream of a metadata object use the method \texttt{Document.CreateMetadata} instead.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Metadata object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.39 NamedDestination Interface

A destination that can be referred to by name.

Named destinations have two advantages compared to direct destinations:

- The name can be used in web links, e.g. http://www.example.com/document.pdf#destinationname
- If the target destination of a named destination is changed, all occurrences automatically point to the new target.

Hierarchy:

\begin{itemize}
  \item Destination
  \item \texttt{NamedDestination}
\end{itemize}
6.39.1 Name

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>String Name</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The name by which the destination is referred to.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**

- The destination has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

6.40 OutlineItem Interface

An outline item represents an entry in the outline tree of the document. It is also known as "Bookmark".

6.40.1 Title

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>String Title</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The title of the outline item.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- The outline item has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

6.40.2 Bold

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool Bold</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If `true`, the outline item is displayed in bold font.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- The outline item has already been closed.
6.40.3 Italic

Property (get, set): bool Italic
Error code (get): IllegalState
Error codes (set): IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

If true, the outline item is displayed in italic font.

Error Codes:

IllegalState

- The outline item has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.

6.40.4 Destination

Property (get, set): Destination Destination
Error codes: IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

The destination of the outline item.

This property is null if:

- the outline item has no associated destination or action.
- the associated action does not correspond to a destination in the same document. (e.g. remote destination, web link, JavaScript action, ...)

Error Codes:

IllegalState

- The outline item has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation The document is read-only.
6.40.5 IsOpen

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool IsOpen</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalStateException</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalStateException, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- If true, the item is expanded.
- If false, the item is collapsed.

This property is only meaningful if the item has child items.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalStateException**
- The outline item has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation** The document is read-only.

6.40.6 Children

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>OutlineItemList Children</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalStateException</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The child items of this outline item.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalStateException**
- The outline item has already been closed.
- The associated document has already been closed.

6.41 OutlineItemList Interface

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

6.42 Page Interface

6.42.1 Crop

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method:</th>
<th>void Crop(Rectangle rect)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>License feature:</td>
<td>Assembly</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Crop the page to a specified rectangle.

**Note:** All page-related coordinates are normalized to the crop box of the page. Cropping the page thus changes the coordinate system, rendering all previously extracted coordinates invalid.

**Parameter:**

rect [Rectangle] The rectangle to crop the page to.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The page is read-only.
- **IllegalArgument** The rect argument is null.

### 6.42.2 Rotate

**Method:** void Rotate(Rotation rotation)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

**License feature:** Assembly

Rotate the page by a multiple of 90°.

**Parameter:**

rotation [Rotation] The desired rotation.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** The page is read-only.
- **IllegalArgument** The rotation argument is null.

### 6.42.3 Annotations

**Property (get):** AnnotationList Annotations

**Error code (get):** IllegalState

**License features:** Annotation, Extraction, Forms

This list contains the page's Annotations.
Adding to this list can result in the following errors:

- **IllegalState** if the list or the owning document has already been closed.
- **UnsupportedOperation** if the owning document is read-only.
- **IllegalArgumentException** if the given **Annotation** is null.
  - if the given **Annotation** object has already been closed.
  - if the given **Annotation** does not belong to the same document as this list.
  - if the given **Annotation** is already associated with a page.

This list does not support removing or setting elements or clearing.

### 6.42.4 ArtBox

**Property (get):** Rectangle **ArtBox**  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

The art box of the page.

The art box (PDF 1.3) defines the extent of the page's meaningful content (including potential white-space) as intended by the page's creator. The default value is the page's crop box.

This property is null if the page contains no explicit art box.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState** The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.42.5 BleedBox

**Property (get):** Rectangle **BleedBox**  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState

The bleed box of the page.

The bleed box (PDF 1.3) defines the region to which the contents of the page shall be clipped when output in a production environment. This may include any extra bleed area needed to accommodate the physical limitations of cutting, folding, and trimming equipment. The actual printed page may include printing marks that fall outside the bleed box. The default value is the page's crop box.

This property is null if the page contains no explicit bleed box.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState** The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.42.6 Content

**Property (get):**  Content

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

**License features:**  Assembly, Creation, Extraction, Modification

Get the page content.

If the page is writable, the content object can be used to apply new content on the page, for example overlays or underlays.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.42.7 MediaBox

**Property (get):**  Rectangle

**MediaBox**

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

The media box of the page.

The media box defines the boundaries of the physical medium on which the page is to be printed. It may include any extended area surrounding the finished page for bleed, printing marks, or other such purposes. It may also include areas close to the edges of the medium that cannot be marked because of physical limitations of the output device. Content falling outside this boundary may safely be discarded without affecting the meaning of the PDF file.

This property cannot be `null`.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.42.8 Metadata

**Property (get, set):**  Metadata

**Metadata**

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

**Error codes (set):**  IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument

Get or set the metadata of the page.

If the document is writable, the metadata object will be writable too and all changes to the metadata object are reflected in the document. When setting the metadata, the entire metadata of the page is replaced.

This property is `null` if the page has not metadata. If the property is set to `null`, the existing page metadata is removed.
**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgumentException**

- The metadata object belongs to a different document.
- The metadata object has already been closed.

### 6.42.9 Size

**Property (get):**  Size  Size

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

Get the visible size of the page (crop box).

The page size corresponds to the size of the crop box. Since all coordinates are normalized to the origin of the crop box, the normalized origin of the crop box is always (0,0) and thus only the size is required.

The crop box defines the region to which the contents of the page shall be clipped (cropped) when displayed or printed. Unlike the other boxes, the crop box has no defined meaning in terms of physical page geometry or intended use; it merely imposes clipping on the page contents. However, in the absence of additional information (such as imposition instructions specified in a JDF job ticket), the crop box determines how the page's contents shall be positioned on the output medium. The default value is the page's media box.

This property cannot be null.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.42.10 TrimBox

**Property (get):**  Rectangle  TrimBox

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

The trim box of the page.

The trim box (PDF 1.3) defines the intended dimensions of the finished page after trimming. It may be smaller than the media box to allow for production-related content, such as printing instructions, cut marks, or colour bars. The default value is the page's crop box.

This property is null if the page contains no explicit trim box.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The Page object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.43 **PageList Interface**

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

6.44 **Paint Interface**

An object of this type is either created using the Document interface and meant to be passed as an argument for various methods of the ContentGenerator interface, in which case getting any of the Paint’s properties results in an IllegalState error.

Alternatively, such an object is part of the FillParams or StrokeParams of a ContentElement and in this case getting its properties is legal.

6.44.1 **Color**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>double Color</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
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</table>

The array contains the color values ranging from 0.0 to 1.0.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**

- If the paint has been created using any of the respective methods in the Document interface.
- The Paint object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.44.2 **ColorSpace**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>ColorSpace ColorSpace</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This is the color space of the paint.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**

- If the paint has been created using any of the respective methods in the Document interface.
- The Paint object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.44.3 **Transparency**

<table>
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<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>TransparencyParams Transparency</th>
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</thead>
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<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

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The transparency parameters of this paint or null if the paint is opaque.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**

- If the paint has been created using any of the respective methods in the Document interface.
- The Paint object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.45 Path Interface

#### 6.45.1 Path Constructor

**Method:** Path(InsideRule rule)

Error code: IllegalArgument

Create a new path object.

**Parameter:**

rule [InsideRule] The inside rule.

**Error Code:**

IllegalArgument

- The rule argument is null.

### 6.46 PathElement Interface

A ContentExtractor yields such an element when encountering a PDF path.

**Hierarchy:**

ContentElement

PathElement

#### 6.46.1 AlignmentBox

**Property (get):** Rectangle AlignmentBox

Error code (get): IllegalState

This is a rectangle in untransformed coordinates that encompasses all points of the path. In contrast to the BoundingBox, the alignment may not encompass the path completely. E.g. if the path is stroked, then the stroked lines extend beyond the individual points of a line due to the line's width, join, and cap.
Error Code:

IllegalState  The PathElement object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.46.2 Fill

Property (get):  FillParams Fill
Error code (get):  IllegalState

This specifies the path's parameters for filling or null if the path is not filled.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The PathElement object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.46.3 Path

Property (get):  Path Path
Error code (get):  IllegalState

Use this property to access this element's path.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The PathElement object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.46.4 Stroke

Property (get):  StrokeParams Stroke
Error code (get):  IllegalState

This specifies the path's parameters for stroking or null if the path is not stroked.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The PathElement object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.47 PathGenerator Interface

6.47.1 PathGenerator Constructor

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method:</th>
<th>PathGenerator(Path path)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code:</td>
<td>IllegalArgumentException</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>License feature:</td>
<td>Creation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Create a new content generator for appending to a path.

Parameter:

path [Path] The path object.

Error Code:

IllegalArgumentException
- The path argument is null.
- The path argument has already been closed.

6.47.2 AddArc

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method:</th>
<th>void AddArc(Rectangle rect, double alpha1, double alpha2)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td>IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Add an elliptical arc to the current path.

Parameters:

rect [Rectangle] The surrounding rectangle of the ellipse.
alpha1 [double] The angle between the x-axis and the begin of the arc.
alpha2 [double] The angle between the x-axis and the end of the arc.

Error Codes:

IllegalStateException The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.
IllegalArgumentException The rect argument is null.
6.47.3 AddCircle

**Method:** void AddCircle(Point center, double radius)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException

Append a circle to the current path as a complete subpath.

**Parameters:**

- **center** [Point] The center of the circle.
- **radius** [double] The radius of the circle.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.
- **IllegalArgumentException** The center argument is null.

6.47.4 AddEllipse

**Method:** void AddEllipse(Rectangle rect)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException

Add an ellipse to the current path as a complete subpath.

**Parameter:**

- **rect** [Rectangle] The surrounding rectangle of the ellipse.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState** The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.
- **IllegalArgumentException** The rect argument is null.

6.47.5 AddPie

**Method:** void AddPie(Rectangle rect, double alpha1, double alpha2)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException

Add an elliptical piece of pie to the current path as a complete subpath.

**Parameters:**

- **rect** [Rectangle] The surrounding rectangle of the ellipse.
alpha1 \ [\text{double}] \quad \text{The angle between the x-axis and the begin of the arc.}

alpha2 \ [\text{double}] \quad \text{The angle between the x-axis and the end of the arc.}

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  \quad \text{The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.}
- **IllegalArgumentException**  \quad \text{The rect argument is null.}

### 6.47.6 AddRectangle

**Method:** \quad \text{void AddRectangle(Rectangle rect)}

**Error codes:**  \quad \text{IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException}

Append a rectangle to the current path as a complete subpath.

**Parameter:**

- **rect**  \ [\text{Rectangle}] \quad \text{The rectangle to be added to the path.}

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  \quad \text{The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.}
- **IllegalArgumentException**  \quad \text{The rect argument is null.}

### 6.47.7 BezierTo

**Method:** \quad \text{void BezierTo(Point ctrl1, Point ctrl2, Point target)}

**Error codes:**  \quad \text{IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException}

Draw a Bézier curve.

Append a cubic Bézier curve to the current path. The curve extends from the current point to the Target position, using Ctrl1 and Ctrl2 as the Bézier control points.

The current position is changed to the target position.

**Parameters:**

- **ctrl1**  \ [\text{Point}] \quad \text{The first Bézier control point.}
- **ctrl2**  \ [\text{Point}] \quad \text{The second Bézier control point.}
- **target**  \ [\text{Point}] \quad \text{The target coordinates.}
**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgumentException**
- The target argument is null.
- The ctrl1 argument is null.
- The ctrl2 argument is null.

### 6.47.8 Close

**Method:** void Close()

**Error code:** IllegalState

Close the Generator.

The generated object is not finalized until this method is called.

All native data structures that belong to the generator are freed.

After closing the generator, any call to a method of the generator will result in an **IllegalState** error.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The generator has already been closed.

### 6.47.9 CloseSubpath

**Method:** void CloseSubpath()

**Error code:** IllegalState

Close the current subpath.

Close the current subpath by appending a straight line segment from the current point to the starting point of the subpath. This operator terminates the current subpath; appending another segment to the current path will begin a new subpath, even if the new segment begins at the endpoint reached by the CloseSubpath operation. If the current subpath is already closed, CloseSubpath does nothing.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The ContentGenerator object or the Path object has already been closed.

### 6.47.10 LineTo

**Method:** void LineTo(Point target)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException
Draw a line.
Append a straight line segment from the current point to the target coordinates.
The current position is changed to the target position.

**Parameter:**

`target` [Point]  The target coordinates.

**Error Codes:**

*IllegalState*  The `ContentGenerator` object or the `Path` object has already been closed.

*IllegalArgument*  The `target` argument is `null`.

### 6.47.11 MoveTo

**Method:**  `void MoveTo(Point target)`

**Error codes:**  `IllegalState, IllegalArgument`

Move the current position.

Begin a new subpath by moving the current point to the specified coordinates, omitting any connecting line segment. If the previous path construction operator in the current path was also `MoveTo`, the new `MoveTo` overrides it; no vestige of the previous `MoveTo` operation remains in the path.

**Parameter:**

`target` [Point]  The target coordinates.

**Error Codes:**

*IllegalState*  The `ContentGenerator` object or the `Path` object has already been closed.

*IllegalArgument*  The `target` argument is `null`.

### 6.48 PushButtonField Interface

This interface represents a push button form field.

**Hierarchy:**

1. `FormFieldNode`
2. `FormField`
3. `PushButtonField`
6.49 **RadioButton Interface**

This interface represents a radio button in a `RadioButtonField`.

6.49.1 **ExportName**

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>String ExportName</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Specifies the button's name when exporting.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState**  The `RadioButton` or the owning document has already been closed.

6.49.2 **Widgets**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>WidgetList Widgets</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The button's list of `Widget` annotations.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState**  The `RadioButton` or the owning document has already been closed.

6.49.3 **AddNewWidget**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method:</th>
<th>Field AddNewWidget(Rectangle rectangle)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error codes:</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>License feature:</td>
<td>Creation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This method creates a widget (visual manifestation) for the this radio button. The widget is automatically added to this button's `Widgets` and to the radio button form field's `Widgets`, but not to any page.

**Parameter:**

- **rectangle**  [Rectangle]  The widget's target rectangle on the page.

**Returns:**

The newly created form field widget.
Error Codes:

IllegalState  The document has already been closed.

UnsupportedOperation
- The document is read-only.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by CopyPage with activated CopyOption CopyFormFields.

IllegalArgument  The rectangle argument is null.

6.50 RadioButtonField Interface

This interface represents a radio button form field.

Hierarchy:

FormFieldNode
  └ FormField
      └ RadioButtonField

6.50.1 Buttons

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>RadioButtonlist Buttons</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This radio button field's RadioButton.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The RadioButtonField or the owning document has already been closed.

6.50.2 CanToggleOff

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>bool CanToggleOff</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

When true, then the radio button field's user interface allows a state in which no radio button is selected. Even if this property is true, the ChosenButton can be null.

Error Codes:

IllegalState  The RadioButtonField or the owning document has already been closed.
6.50.3 ChosenButton

**Property (get, set):** RadioButton ChosenButton
**Error code (get):** IllegalState
**Error codes (set):** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgumentException, IllegalState

This field's selected RadioButton.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- The RadioButtonField is ReadOnly.
- The RadioButton is null but the CanToggleOff property is false.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document associated with the RadioButtonField is read-only.

**IllegalArgumentException**  The RadioButton does not belong to this radio button field.

6.50.4 AddNewButton

**Method:** RadioButton AddNewButton(String exportName)
**Error codes:** IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

This method creates a new radio button. The created button is automatically added to this radio button field's Buttons.

**Parameter:**

exportName  [String]  The radio button's export name.

**Returns:**

The newly created RadioButton.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The RadioButtonField or the containing document has already been closed.

**UnsupportedOperation**
- The document is read-only.
- The document contains form fields that have been implicitly copied by CopyPage with activated CopyOption CopyFormFields.
6.51 RadioButtonList Interface

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

This list contains a RadioButtonField's RadioButtons.

6.52 ShadingElement Interface

A ContentExtractor yields such an element when encountering a PDF shading.

Hierarchy:

ContentElement
   ShadingElement

6.53 SignatureField Interface

The existence of signature fields does not necessarily mean that the document is signed. This depends on the property IsSigned.

All properties are taken from information in the PDF, not from the actual digital signature. For some properties, those values are redundant and the value from the actual digital signature should take precedence.

The existence of a signed signature field does not imply that the signature is valid. The signature is actually not validated at all.

6.53.1 IsSigned

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get):</th>
<th>bool IsSigned</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Describes whether the field is already signed.

- If true the signature field contains an actual digital signature.
- If false the signature field is a placeholder that is yet to be signed. In that case, all other properties except IsVisible can be ignored.

Note: The digital signature itself is not validated.

Error Code:

IllegalState The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.53.2 IsVisible

**Property (get):** bool IsVisible
Error code (get): IllegalState

If `true`, the signature field has a visual appearance on the page.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.53.3 Name

**Property (get):** String Name
Error code (get): IllegalState

The name of the person or authority signing the document.

**Note:** This property should be used with care, as the value might differ from the name as stored in the signer certificate. If that’s the case, the name in the signer certificate should be used.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.53.4 Location

**Property (get):** String Location
Error code (get): IllegalState

The CPU host name or physical location of the signing.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

6.53.5 Reason

**Property (get):** String Reason
Error code (get): IllegalState
The reason for the signing.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.53.6 ContactInfo

**Property (get):**  String ContactInfo

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

Information provided by the signer to enable a recipient to contact the signer to verify the signature; for example, a phone number.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.53.7 Date

**Property (get):**  Date Date

**Error code (get):**  IllegalState

The date and time of signing

Depending on the signature handler, this may be a normal unverified computer time or a time generated in a verifiable way from a secure time server.

**Note:** This property should be used with care, as the value might differ from the date as stored in the cryptographic signature itself. If that's the case, the name in the signer certificate should be used.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The SignatureField object or the owning document has already been closed.

### 6.54 SignatureFieldList Interface

See chapter 5 for more information on how lists are modeled.

### 6.55 StringMap Interface

See chapter 5 for more information on how maps (dictionaries) are modeled.
6.56 **SubForm Interface**

A sub form is a node in the tree of form fields that can have subordinate child fields.

**Hierarchy:**

```
FormFieldNode
   SubForm
```

6.56.1 **Children**

**Property (get):** `FormFieldNodeMap Children`  
**Error code (get):** `IllegalState`

The subordinate child form fields of this sub form.

Adding to this map can result in the following errors:

- `IllegalState` if the list has already been closed
- `UnsupportedOperation` if the document is read-only
- `IllegalArgument` if the given `FormFieldNode` is null.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` has already been closed.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` does not belong to the same document as the map.
- if the given `FormFieldNode` has already been added to a form field node map.
- if the given key is null.
- if the given key contains a full stop ".".
- if the given key is already used in this map.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState` The SubForm or the owning document has already been closed.

6.57 **Text Interface**

When created with a `Document`'s `CreateText` method, the `Text` object can be modified with a `TextGenerator` and then be used as argument for `PaintText` method of a `ContentGenerator`. In this case, an attempt to extract `TextFragment`'s from the `Text`'s list interface will result in an `IllegalState` error.

When returned as part of a `TextElement` by a `ContentExtractor`, the `Text`'s list interface can be used to extract `TextFragment`s from the text.

See [Programming Interfaces](#) for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.
6.58 TextElement Interface

A ContentExtractor yields such an element when encountering a PDF text.

Hierarchy:

ContentElement
   └ TextElement

6.58.1 Text

Property (get): Text Text
Error code (get): IllegalState

Use this property to access this text element’s text.

Error Code:

IllegalState The TextElement or the owning document has already been closed.

6.59 TextField Interface

Hierarchy:

FormFieldNode
   └ FormField
      └ TextField
         ├ CombTextField
         └ GeneralTextField

6.59.1 Alignment

Property (get, set): TextAlignement Alignment
Error code (get): IllegalState
Error codes (set): IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation

The alignment of the contained text with respect to the bounding Rectangle.

Error Codes:

IllegalState
   (get, set) The TextField or the owning document has already been closed.
   (set) The TextField has Widgets.
UnsupportedOperation  The document is read-only.

### 6.59.2 FontSize

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>double? FontSize</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The font size used in this text field. If null, then the font size is choosen automatically by the PDF viewer.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- (get, set) The TextField or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The TextField has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**  The given value is smaller than 0.0.

### 6.59.3 MaxLength

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (get, set):</th>
<th>int MaxLength</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Error code (get):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error codes (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState, UnsupportedOperation, IllegalArgument</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The maximal length of the Text. -1 signifies that the maximal length is not defined.
When setting this property, the this field's text is truncated to the given length.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**
- (get, set) The TextField or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The TextField has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation**  The document is read-only.

**IllegalArgument**
- If this is GeneralTextField and the given value is smaller than -1.
- If this is a CombTextField and the given value is smaller than 0.
6.59.4 Text

**Property (get, set):** String Text  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState 
**Error codes (set):** IllegalState,UnsupportedOperation  

This field's text.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**

- (get, set) The TextField or the owning document has already been closed.
- (set) The TextField is ReadOnly.
- (set) The TextField has Widgets.

**UnsupportedOperation**  
The document associated with the TextField is read-only.

6.60 TextFragment Interface

6.60.1 BoundingBox

**Property (get):** Rectangle BoundingBox  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState  

This is the rectangle in untransformed coordinates that encompasses all the parts of the text fragment. Use the Transformation to compute the transformed (actual) coordinates with respect to the parent page or group content.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  
The TextFragment object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.60.2 Fill

**Property (get):** FillParams Fill  
**Error code (get):** IllegalState  

This specifies the text fragment’s parameters for filling the text or null if the text is not filled.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  
The TextFragment object or the owning Text object has already been closed.
6.60.3 Stroke

Property (get): StrokeParams Stroke
Error code (get): IllegalState

This specifies the text fragment’s parameters for stroking the text or null if the text is not stroked.

Error Code:
IllegalState  The TextFragment object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.60.4 Transformation

Property (get): Transformation Transformation
Error code (get): IllegalState

This is the coordinate transformation applicable to this text fragment. Use this transform to compute the actual location of the text fragment’s bounding box on the containing page or group.

Error Code:
IllegalState  The TextFragment object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.60.5 UnicodeString

Property (get): String UnicodeString
Error code (get): IllegalState

This is the extracted Unicode string. It may contain Unicode replacement characters if the text is not extractable.

Error Code:
IllegalState  The TextFragment object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.61 TextGenerator Interface

6.61.1 TextGenerator Constructor

Method: TextGenerator TextGenerator(Text text, Font font, double fontSize, Point position)
Error code: IllegalArgumentException
License feature: Creation
Create a new text generator for appending text to a text content object.

All parameters that cannot be set in the constructor are set to default values:

- Rendering: fill text with black paint
- CharSpacing: 0
- WordSpacing: 0
- HorizontalScaling: 1
- Leading: 1.2 times the FontSize
- Rise: 0
- Stroke: null
- IntersectClipping: false

**Error Code:**

**IllegalArgument**

- The text argument is null.
- The text argument has already been closed.
- The text and font arguments are associated with different documents.
- The font argument is null.
- The font argument has already been closed.
- The owning document of the font argument has already been closed.

### 6.61.2 CharSpacing

**Property (set):** double CharSpacing

Default: 0

Error code (set): IllegalState

Set the current character spacing.

When the glyph for each character in the string is rendered, the character spacing is added to the horizontal or vertical component of the glyph's displacement, depending on the writing mode. It is subject to scaling by the horizontal scaling if the writing mode is horizontal.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

### 6.61.3 Close

**Method:** void Close()

Error code: IllegalState

Close the Generator.

The generated object is not finalized until this method is called.

All native data structures that belong to the generator are freed.
After closing the generator, any call to a method of the generator will result in an `IllegalState` error.

**Error Code:**

`IllegalState`  The generator has already been closed.

### 6.61.4 Font

**Property (set):**  Font  
*Error codes (set):*  `IllegalState`, `IllegalArgument`

Set the current font.

The font is used for all subsequent `Show` and `ShowLine` calls.

**Error Codes:**

**IllegalState**  The `TextGenerator` object or the owning `Text` object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgument**
- The argument is `null`.
- The argument has already been closed.
- The argument is associated with a different document.

### 6.61.5 FontSize

**Property (set):**  double  `FontSize`
*Error code (set):*  `IllegalState`

Set the current font size.

The font size is used for all subsequent `Show` and `ShowLine` calls.

Note that this sets the font size only. Also use `Leading` to set the leading.

**Error Code:**

**IllegalState**  The `TextGenerator` object or the owning `Text` object has already been closed.

### 6.61.6 GetWidth

**Method:**  double  `GetWidth(String text)`
*Error codes:  `IllegalState`, `IllegalArgument`

Get the width of a text string.
The width of a text string as if it would be shown with the current settings.

**Returns:**

The width of the text.

**Parameter:**

text [String] The text fragment.

**Error Codes:**

- **IllegalState**  The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.
- **IllegalArgumentException**  The text argument is null.

### 6.61.7 HorizontalScaling

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (set):</th>
<th>double HorizontalScaling</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Default:</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error code (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Set the current horizontal scaling.

The horizontal scaling parameter adjusts the width of glyphs by stretching or compressing them in the horizontal direction. Its value is specified relative to the normal width of the glyphs, with 1 being the normal width.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState**  The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

### 6.61.8 Leading

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Property (set):</th>
<th>double Leading</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Default:</td>
<td>1.2 times the initial font size</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error code (set):</td>
<td>IllegalState</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Set the current leading.

The leading parameter specifies the vertical distance between the baselines of adjacent lines of text. It affects only the method ShowLine.

**Error Code:**

- **IllegalState**  The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.
6.61.9 MoveTo

**Method:**  
void MoveTo(Point position)

**Error codes:**  
IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException

Move the current position.  
This also also sets the beginning of the current line to the specified position, which will affect the **ShowLine** method.

**Parameter:**

*position* [Point] The target position.

**Error Codes:**

*IllegalState*  
The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

*IllegalArgumentException*  
The position argument is null.

6.61.10 Rise

**Property (get, set):**  
double Rise

**Default:**  
0

**Error code:**  
IllegalState

Set the current rise of the baseline.  
Text rise specifies the distance to move the baseline up or down from its default location. Positive values of text rise move the baseline up. Adjustments to the baseline are useful for drawing superscripts or subscripts.

**Error Code:**

*IllegalState*  
The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.61.11 SetRendering

**Method:**  
void SetRendering(Paint fill, StrokeParams stroke, bool intersectClipping)

**Error codes:**  
IllegalState, IllegalArgumentException, UnsupportedOperation

Set text rendering parameters.  
The text is first filled and then stroked, then the clip path is intersected.  
The default rendering of text is filled with black paint.
Note: The blend modes for filling and stroking must be the same.

Parameters:

**fill** [Paint] The fill paint or **null** if the text should not be filled.

For PDF/A documents it is recommended to set an output intent and use a fill with either a device gray color space or one that matches the output intent’s.

**stroke** [StrokeParams] The stroke properties or **null** if the text should not be stroked.

**intersectClipping** [bool] If **true** the current clip path is intersected.

Error Codes:

**IllegalState** The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgument**
- The **fill** argument has already been closed.
- The **fill** argument belongs to a different document.
- The field **Paint** of argument **stroke** is **null**.
- The field **Paint** of argument **stroke** has already been closed.
- The field **Paint** of argument **stroke** belongs to a different document.

**UnsupportedOperation** The **Paint** objects associated with the **fill** and **stroke** arguments use different blend modes.

6.61.12 Show

**Method:** void **Show**(String text)

**Error codes:** IllegalState, IllegalArgument

Show a text string.

The text is shown using the current settings.

Parameter:

**text** [String] The text to be shown.

Error Codes:

**IllegalState** The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

**IllegalArgument** The **text** argument is **null**.
6.61.13 ShowLine

Method: void ShowLine(String text)

Error codes: IllegalState, IllegalArgument

Show a text string and go to the next line.

Parameter:

text [String] The text to be shown.

Error Codes:

IllegalState The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

IllegalArgument The text argument is null.

6.61.14 WordSpacing

Property (get, set): double WordSpacing

Default: 0

Error code: IllegalState

Set the current word spacing.

Word spacing works the same way as character spacing, but applies only to the space character, code 32.

Error Code:

IllegalState The TextGenerator object or the owning Text object has already been closed.

6.62 Transformation Interface

The transformation matrix in PDF is specified by six numbers. All information about orientation, rotation, scaling, skewing and translation can be calculated based on these six numbers. The 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides methods which compute these values.

The actual matrix is \( M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & 0 \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & 0 \\ dx & dy & 1 \end{bmatrix} \)

This matrix is used to define a transformation of a vector \([x \ y \ 0]\) to a vector \([x' \ y' \ 0]\) = \([x \ y \ 0]\) \cdot M, where \((x, y)\) is the original point and \((x', y')\) is the transformed point on the page.

6.62.1 Transformation Constructor

Method: Transformation()

Method: Transformation(double m11, double m12, double m21, double m22, double dx, double dy)

Method: Transformation(Transformation other)
Create a new transformation.
Without any arguments, the identity transform is created.

### 6.62.2 Concatenate

**Method:**
```java
void Concatenate(Transformation transformation)
```

**Error code:**
```
IllegalState
```

Concatenate transformation with other transformation.

**Parameter:**
`transformation` [Transformation] The other transformation.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState` The Transformation object has already been closed.

### 6.62.3 Invert

**Method:**
```java
void Invert()
```

**Error code:**
```
IllegalState
```

A transform usually maps from the transformed coordinate system to the untransformed coordinate system. Use this method to create the reverse transform.

**Error Code:**

- `IllegalState`
  - The Transformation object has already been closed.
  - The transform is not invertible.

### 6.62.4 Rotate

**Method:**
```java
void Rotate(double a)
```

**Error code:**
```
IllegalState
```

Rotate.

Rotations are produced by \[\begin{bmatrix} \cos(a) & \sin(a) \\ -\sin(a) & \cos(a) \end{bmatrix} \] which has the effect of rotating the coordinate system axes by an angle \(a\) counterclockwise.
Parameter:

a  [double]  The angle in degrees.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Transformation object has already been closed.

6.62.5  RotateAround

Method:  void RotateAround(double angle, Point center)
Error code:  IllegalState

This method is equivalent to the following sequence:

- Translate to center.
- Rotate by angle.
- Translate "back" to (-center.x, -center.y).

Parameters:

angle  [double]  The angle in degrees.
center  [Point]  The center in the current coordinate system.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Transformation object has already been closed.

6.62.6  Scale

Method:  void Scale(double sx, double sy)
Error code:  IllegalState

Scale.

Scaling is obtained by [sx 0 0 sy 0 0]. This scales the coordinates so that 1 unit in the horizontal and vertical dimensions of the new coordinate system is the same size as sx and sy units, respectively, in the previous coordinate system.

Parameters:

sx  [double]  Horizontal scaling.

sy  [double]  Vertical scaling.
Error Code:

IllegalState  The Transformation object has already been closed.

6.62.7 Skew

| Method: | void Skew(double alpha, double beta) |
| Error code: | IllegalState |

Skew.

Skew is specified by \[ [1 \ \tan(\alpha) \ \tan(\beta) \ 1 \ 0 \ 0] \], which skews the x axis by an angle \( \alpha \) and the y axis by an angle \( \beta \).

Parameters:

alpha  [double]  Angle \( \alpha \) in degrees.

beta  [double]  Angle \( \beta \) in degrees.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Transformation object has already been closed.

6.62.8 TransformPoint

| Method: | Point TransformPoint(Point original) |

Apply transformation to point.

Use this method to compute the transformed point from the original point.

6.62.9 Translate

| Method: | void Translate(double tx, double ty) |
| Error code: | IllegalState |

Translate.

Translations are specified as \[ [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ tx \ ty] \], where \( tx \) and \( ty \) are the distances to translate the origin of the coordinate system in the horizontal and vertical dimensions, respectively.

Parameters:

tx  [double]  Horizontal translation.
ty [double]  Vertical translation.

Error Code:

IllegalState  The Transformation object has already been closed.

6.63 WebLink Interface

A link annotation for external links.

Hierarchy:

Annotation
  ▼ WebLink

6.63.1 WebLink Constructor

Method:  WebLink(Rectangle rectangle)

Error code:  IllegalArgument
License feature:  Annotation

Create a new external link that has no Uri yet.

Parameter:

rectangle  [Rectangle]  The location on the page.

Error Code:

IllegalArgument  The rectangle argument is null.

6.63.2 Uri

Property (get, set):  String Uri

Error code:  IllegalState

The link's target URI (uniform resource identifier).

Error Code:

IllegalState  The InternalLink object or the owning document has already been closed.
6.64 **Widget Interface**

Widget annotations are the visual manifestation of FormFields on the document's pages.

**Hierarchy:**

```
Annotation
  Widget
```

6.65 **WidgetItem Interface**

See Programming Interfaces for more information on how lists are modeled and used in the different interfaces the 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API provides.

This list contains Widget annotations.

6.66 **Structures**

6.66.1 **EncryptionParams Struct**

- **OwnerPassword [string]** The owner password of the document.
  
  This password is also referred to as the author's password and grants full access to the document. Not only can the document be opened and read, it also allows for changing the document's security settings (access permission and passwords).

- **UserPassword [string]** The user password of the document.
  
  protects the document against unauthorized opening and reading. If a PDF document is protected by a user password, either the user or owner password must be provided to open and read the document. If a document has a user password, it must have an owner password as well. If no owner password is defined, the owner password is the same as the user password.

- **UserPermissions [Permission]** The user permissions.
  
  What operations in a PDF document are granted is controlled via these permission flags. In order to set permission flags, the PDF document must be encrypted and have an owner password. The owner password is required to initially set or later change the permission flags.

6.66.2 **FillParams Struct**

- **Paint [Paint]** The filling paint. (Default null)
  
  The paint defines the visual style to be used for filling a shape.

  See Paint.

- **FillRule [InsideRule]** The inside rule. (Default NonzeroWindingNumber)
  
  The inside rule defines which parts of a shape path used for filling.

  See InsideRule.
6.66.3 **Point Struct**

- **X [double]**  The X value (horizontal coordinate).
- **Y [double]**  The Y value (vertical coordinate).

6.66.4 **Rectangle Struct**

- **Left [double]**  The Left value.
- **Bottom [double]**  The Bottom value.
- **Right [double]**  The Right value.
- **Top [double]**  The Top value.

6.66.5 **Size Struct**

- **Width [double]**  The Width value.
- **Height [double]**  The Height value.

6.66.6 **StrokeParams Struct**

- **DashArray [double[]]**  The dash array of a line dash pattern.
  - The line dash pattern controls the pattern of dashes and gaps used to stroke paths.
- **DashPhase [double]**  The dash phase of a line dash pattern.
  - The dash phase is the offset of the pattern and can be larger as the pattern itself.
- **LineCapStyle [LineCapStyle]**  The line cap style.
  - The line cap style specifies the shape to be used at the end of open sub-paths and dashes when they are stroked.
  - See **LineCapStyle**
- **LineJoinStyle [LineJoinStyle]**  The line join style.
  - The line join style specifies the shape to be used at the corners of paths that are stroked.
  - See **LineJoinStyle**
- **LineWidth [double]**  The line width in user units.
- **MiterLimit [double]**  The miter limit.
  - The miter limit imposes a maximum on the ratio of the miter length to the line width, which can be fairly large when two line segments meet at a sharp angle. When the limit is exceeded, the line join is converted from a miter to a bevel.
- **Paint [Paint]**  The paint used to color the line.
  - See **Paint**
6.67.7 TransparencyParams Struct

**BlendMode** [BlendBode] The blend mode. (Default Normal)

The blend mode defines the computation rule for compositing content with its backdrop.
See BlendMode.

**ConstAlpha** [double] The constant alpha value. (Default 1.0)
This value can range from 0.0 (fully transparent) to 1.0 (fully opaque).

6.67 Enumerations

6.67.1 BlendMode Enumeration

**Normal** Selects the source color, ignoring the backdrop.

**Multiply** Multiplies the backdrop and source color values.
The result color is always at least as dark as either of the two constituent colors.
When working with additive colors, multiplying any color with black produces black while multiplying with white leaves the original color unchanged.
For subtractive colors, the maximum tint value used for all colorants of the color space acts as black does for additive spaces.
Painting successive overlapping objects with a color other than black or white produces progressively darker colors.

**Screen** Multiplies the complements of the backdrop and source color values, then complements the result.
The result color is always at least as light as either of the two constituent colors.
When working with additive colors, screening any color with white produces white while screening with black leaves the original color unchanged.
For subtractive colors, the maximum tint value of all colorants of the color space acts as black does for additive spaces.
The effect is similar to projecting multiple photographic slides simultaneously onto a single screen.

**Darken** Selects the darker of the backdrop and source colors.
The backdrop is replaced with the source where the source is darker; otherwise, it is left unchanged.

**Lighten** Selects the lighter of the backdrop and source colors.
The backdrop is replaced with the source where the source is lighter; otherwise, it is left unchanged.

**ColorDodge** Brightens the backdrop color to reflect the source color.
Painting with black produces no change.

**ColorBurn** Darkens the backdrop color to reflect the source color.
Painting with white produces no change.

**HardLight** Multiplies or screens the colors, depending on the source color value.
The effect is similar to shining a harsh spotlight on the backdrop.

**SoftLight** Darkens or lightens the colors, depending on the source color value.
The effect is similar to shining a diffused spotlight on the backdrop.
**Overlay**  Multiplies or screens the colors, depending on the backdrop color value.

Source colors overlay the backdrop while preserving its highlights and shadows. The backdrop color is not replaced but is mixed with the source color to reflect the lightness or darkness of the backdrop.

**Difference**  Subtracts the darker of the two constituent colors from the lighter color.

Painting with white inverts the backdrop color; painting with black produces no change.

For subtractive colors, the maximum tint value for all colourants of the color space acts as black does for additive spaces.

This blend mode is not white-preserving.

**Exclusion**  Produces an effect similar to that of the **Difference** mode but lower in contrast.

Painting with white inverts the backdrop color; painting with black produces no change.

For subtractive colors, the maximum tint value for all colourants of the color space acts as black does for additive spaces.

**Hue**  Creates a color with the hue of the source color and the saturation and luminosity of the backdrop color.

This blend mode is not separable.

**Saturation**  Creates a color with the saturation of the source color and the hue and luminosity of the backdrop color.

Painting with this mode in an area of the backdrop that is a pure gray (no saturation) produces no change.

This blend mode is not separable.

**Color**  Creates a color with the hue and saturation of the source color and the luminosity of the backdrop color.

This preserves the gray levels of the backdrop and is useful for coloring monochrome images or tinting color images.

This blend mode is not separable.

**Luminosity**  Creates a color with the luminosity of the source color and the hue and saturation of the backdrop color.

This produces an inverse effect to that of the **Color** mode.

This blend mode is not separable.

### 6.67.2 **ColorSpaceType** Enumeration

- **DeviceGray**
- **DeviceRGB**
- **DeviceCMYK**
- **CalGray**
- **CalRGB**
- **Lab**
- **ICCBased**
- **Indexed**
- **Separation**
- **DeviceN**
- **NChannel**
6.67.3 Conformance Enumeration

**Unknown**  The conformance is unknown or automatically determined.

**Pdf10**  PDF Version 1.0

**Pdf11**  PDF Version 1.1

**Pdf12**  PDF Version 1.2

**Pdf13**  PDF Version 1.3

**Pdf14**  PDF Version 1.4 (corresponds to Acrobat 5)

**Pdf15**  PDF Version 1.5

**Pdf16**  PDF Version 1.6 (corresponds to Acrobat 7)

**Pdf17**  PDF Version 1.7, ISO 32000-1

**Pdf20**  PDF Version 2.0, ISO 32000-2

**PdfA1B**  PDF/A-1b, ISO 19005-1, Level B conformance

**PdfA1A**  PDF/A-1a, ISO 19005-1, Level A conformance

**PdfA2B**  PDF/A-2b, ISO 19005-2, Level B conformance

**PdfA2U**  PDF/A-2u, ISO 19005-2, Level U conformance

**PdfA2A**  PDF/A-2a, ISO 19005-2, Level A conformance

**PdfA3B**  PDF/A-3b, ISO 19005-3, Level B conformance

**PdfA3U**  PDF/A-3u, ISO 19005-3, Level U conformance

**PdfA3A**  PDF/A-3a, ISO 19005-3, Level A conformance

6.67.4 CopyOption Enumeration

**CopyLinks**  Copy links (document internal and external links).

**CopyAnnotations**  Copy interactive annotations such as sticky notes or highlight annotations. This does not include link annotations and form field widgets.

**CopyFormFields**  Copy interactive form fields.

Note that when merging multiple documents with form fields, it is important that no two different form fields have the same name. Otherwise one of the fields must be renamed. Consider using **FlattenFormFields** when merging multiple forms.

**CopyOutlines**  Copy all outline items (bookmarks) that point to the copied page.

The structure of the outline tree in the output document will be the same as in the input document, regardless of the order in which pages are copied.

**CopyLogicalStructure**  Copy logical structure information.

Logical structure information in a PDF defines the structure of content, such as titles, paragraphs, figures, reading order, tables or articles. Logical structure elements can be "tagged" with descriptions or alternative text. E.g. "tagging" allows the contents of an image to be described to the visually impaired.

It is recommended to use this option, if all input documents are “tagged”. Otherwise this could be deactivated in order to create smaller output files and get a much better performance. This option is required for PDF/A level A conformance (e.g. PDF/A-1a, PDF/A-2a, PDF/A-3a).
CopyNamedDestinations  Copy named destinations.

A document may contain a mapping of names to destinations within the document. These names can then be used in link annotations or outlines in order to refer to destinations within the document.

Links within the document will work regardless of the state of this flag. If CopyNamedDestinations is not used, all named destinations of the input document are removed and all internal named destinations converted to regular destinations. This is much faster than copying named destinations.

If a document is split into multiple documents with the intention of merging the pieces back together at a later time, this flag should be used. If the document uses named destinations, links between the pieces will work after merging if CopyNamedDestinations is used.

CopyAssociatedFiles  Copy associated files.

In PDF/A-3, associated files are embedded files that are associated to a PDF object such as a page or the document. When copying pages with this flag enabled, then any embedded files associated with the page range are also copied.

FlattenAnnotations  Flatten annotations preserves the visual appearance of annotations, but discards all interactive elements.

FlattenFormFields  Flatten form fields preserves the visual appearance of form fields, but discards all interactive elements.

FlattenSignatureAppearances  Flatten the visual appearance of signed signature fields.

A digital signature consists of two parts: First, a cryptographic part that includes a hash value based on the content of the document that is being signed. If the document is modified at a later time, the computed hash value is no longer correct and the signature becomes invalid, i.e. the validation will fail and will report that the document has been modified since the signature has been applied. Second, an optional visual appearance on a page of the PDF document. The signature appearance can be useful to indicate the presence of a digital signature by a particular signer.

Processing the PDF with 3-Heights™ PDF Toolbox API breaks the signature, and therefore the cryptographic part needs to be removed. In general, the visual appearance is regarded as worthless without the cryptographic part, it is removed by default. The visual appearance can be preserved by setting the flag FlattenSignatureAppearances.

OptimizeResources  Find and merge redundant resources from different input files. Equal fonts, images and color spaces are detected. By activating this feature, much smaller output files are created, if similar files are merged. However, the merging process uses more time and memory resources.

MergeOCGs  Merge optional content groups.

In PDF, optional content groups (also known as "layers") are identified by a name. When merging PDFs with this flag enabled, then identically named OCGs in different input documents are collapsed.

SeparateAcroForms  Separate Acroform form field identifiers.

When merging PDFs that contain Acroform form fields any of which have the same identifier, then the fields are regarded as distinct and new identifiers are generated in the output document.

6.67.5 DeviceColorSpaceType Enumeration

Gray  One channel gray.

RGB  Three channels red, green, blue.

CMYK  Four channels cyan, magenta, yellow, key (black).
### 6.67.6 ErrorCode Enumeration

See Programming Interfaces for more information about how these codes are mapped to exceptions in the .NET and Java interface.

**Logic errors**

These codes denote errors in the application program logic and should never happen at runtime.

- **UnsupportedOperation** The requested method or property is not supported.
- **IllegalState** The object is in a state, where the requested object or property cannot be called.
- **IllegalArgument** The method was called using an illegal argument.

**Environmental errors**

- **Generic** The error is not further specified.
- **Fatal** A fatal error occurred.
- **License** Licensing error.
- **NotFound** The requested item or resource could not be found.
- **IO** Error while reading or writing from a stream.
- **UnknownFormat** The format is unknown.
- **Corrupt** The data is corrupt.
- **Password** The resource or document is protected by a password.
- **Conformance** A conformance mismatch happened.
- **UnsupportedFeature** The file contains an unsupported feature.
- **Infrastructure** An infrastructure error occurred.
- **Processing** The file cannot be processed.
- **Exists** The item already exists.

### 6.67.7 InsideRule Enumeration

- **NonzeroWindingNumber** The nonzero winding number rule determines whether a given point is inside a path by conceptually drawing a ray from that point to infinity in any direction and then examining the places where a segment of the path crosses the ray. Starting with a count of 0, the rule adds 1 each time a path segment crosses the ray from left to right and subtracts 1 each time a segment crosses from right to left. After counting all the crossings, if the result is 0 then the point is outside the path; otherwise it is inside.

- **EvenOdd** The even-odd rule determines the "insideness" of a point by drawing a ray from that point in any direction and simply counting the number of path segments that cross the ray, regardless of direction. If this number is odd, the point is inside; if even, the point is outside. This yields the same results as the nonzero winding number rule for paths with simple shapes, but produces different results for more complex shapes.

### 6.67.8 LineCapStyle Enumeration

The line cap style specifies the shape to be used at the end of open sub-paths and dashes when they are stroked.

- **Butt** Butt cap
6.67.9 LineJoinStyle Enumeration

The line join style specifies the shape to be used at the corners of paths that are stroked.

- Miter  Miter join
- Round  Round join
- Bevel  Bevel join

6.67.10 Permission Enumeration

An enumeration for permission flags. If a flag is set, the permission is granted.

- Print  Low resolution printing
- Modify  Changing the document
- Copy  Content copying or extraction
- Annotate  Annotations
- FillForms  Filling of form fields
- SupportDisabilities  Support for disabilities
- Assemble  Document assembly
- DigitalPrint  High resolution printing

6.67.11 Rotation Enumeration

- Clockwise  Rotate 90° clockwise.
- CounterClockwise  Rotate 90° counter-clockwise.
- NoRotation  No rotation.
- UpsideDown  Rotate 180° (upside-down).

6.67.12 TextAlignment Enumeration

- Left  Flush-left text alignment.
- Center  Centered text alignment.
- Right  Flush-right text alignment.

6.67.13 UngroupingSet Enumeration

This enumeration is used to control the behavior of content extraction. Groups in the content can either be extracted as GroupElements, or their content can be un-grouped, in which case groups' content elements are extracted as if not belonging to a group.

- None  Groups are extracted as GroupElements.
- SafelyUngroupable  Un-grouping is restricted to those groups that can be un-grouped without visual loss.
7 Version History

Some of the documented changes below may be preceded by a marker that specifies the interface technologies the change applies to. E.g. **[C, Java]** applies to the C and the Java interface.

7.1 Changes in Version 6

- **[.NET]** Improved **ErrorException** which is now serializable (except for the .NET Standard 1.0 target).
- **[Java]** Changed minimal supported Java language version to 7 [previously 6].
- **[.NET]** New availability of this product as NuGet package for Windows, macOS and Linux.
- **[.NET]** New support for .NET Core versions 1.0 and higher. The support is restricted to a subset of the operating systems supported by .NET Core, see Operating Systems.
- **[.NET]** Changed platform support for NuGet packages: The platform "AnyCPU" is now supported for .NET Framework projects.
- **[.NET, C, Java]** New interfaces WebLink and InternalLink for link annotations.
- **[.NET]** Deprecated method Dispose for all interfaces except for Document, ContentGenerator, PathGenerator and TextGenerator.
- **[Java]** Deprecated method close for all interfaces except for Document, ContentGenerator, PathGenerator and TextGenerator.
- **[.NET, C, Java]** Removed deprecated interface Form.

**Interface ContentGenerator**

- **[Java]** Changed inheritance. Interface now inherits from AutoCloseable and therefore can be used in a try-resource clause.
- **[.NET, C, Java]** Removed deprecated method PaintForm.

**Interface Document**

- **[.NET, C, Java]** New method CopyAnnotation.
- **[.NET, C, Java]** New property Permissions for extracting the permission settings of encrypted documents.
- **[Java]** Changed inheritance. Interface now inherits from AutoCloseable and therefore can be used in a try-resource clause.
- **[.NET, C, Java]** Removed deprecated methods CreateForm and CopyPageAsForm.

**Interface Image**

- **[.NET, C, Java]** Removed deprecated property IsMask.

**Interface PathGenerator**

- **[Java]** Changed inheritance. Interface now inherits from AutoCloseable and therefore can be used in a try-resource clause.
**Interface TextGenerator**

- [Java] **Changed** inheritance. Interface now inherits from `AutoCloseable` and therefore can be used in a try-resource clause.

**Interface TextField**

- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property `FontSize`.

### 7.2 Changes in Version 5

- **New** additional supported operating system: Windows Server 2019.
- [.NET] **Changed** `PdfToolboxNET.dll` library. Cross-product functionality is outsourced into common library `PdfCommonNET.dll`.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** enumeration `TextAlignment`.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** interfaces for extracting, creating, and filling out AcroForm form fields:
  - `FormFieldNodeMap`
  - `AnnotationList`
  - `WidgetList`
  - `Annotation`
  - `Widget`
  - `FormFieldNode`
  - `SubForm`
  - `FormField`
  - `TextField`
  - `GeneralTextField`
  - `CombTextField`
  - `PushButtonField`
  - `CheckBoxField`
  - `RadioField`
  - `RadioButtonList`
  - `RadioButtonField`
  - `ChoiceItem`
  - `ChoiceItemList`
  - `ChoiceField`
  - `ListBoxField`
  - `ComboBoxField`
- **New** interface `StringMap` for supporting custom metadata entries.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** interfaces for extracting and creating outline items:
  - `OutlineItem`
  - `OutlineItemList`
  - `Destination`
  - `NamedDestination`
  - `DirectDestination`
  - `LocationZoomDestination`
  - `FitPageDestination`
  - `FitWidthDestination`
  - `FitHeightDestination`
  - `FitRectangleDestination`
- **New** license feature `Annotation`.
**Interface Document**

- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `AssociatedFiles` for adding associated files.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `EmbeddedFiles` for extracting and adding embedded files.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `FormFields` for extracting form fields.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `OpenDestination` for extracting and setting the destination that is displayed when opening the file.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `OutlineItems` for extracting and adding outline items.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateFileReference` for creating embedded or associated files.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateSubForm` for creating sub forms.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateGeneralField` for creating general text form fields.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateComboBoxField` for creating combo box form fields.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateField` for creating form fields.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateNamedDestination` for creating new named destinations.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateOutlineItem` for creating new outline items.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** method `CopyFormFieldNode` for filling out form fields.

**Interface Metadata**

- [,.NET] **Deprecated** property `CreationDate`.
- [,.NET] **New** property `CreationDate2` supersedes `CreationDate`.
- [,.NET] **Deprecated** property `ModificationDate`.
- [,.NET] **New** property `ModificationDate2` supersedes `ModificationDate`.
- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `CustomEntries` to access custom document info entries.

**Interface Page**

- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `Annotations` for extracting annotations and form field widgets.

**Interface TextFragment**

- [,.NET, C, Java] **New** property `Transform` to replace removed property `Transformation`.

### 7.3 Changes in Version 4.12

- **New** support for encryption according to PDF 2.0 (revision 6, replaces deprecated revision 5).
- **New** HTTP proxy setting in the GUI license manager.
- **Introduced** license features `Assembly`, `Creation`, `Extraction`, `Annotation`, and `Modification`.
- [,.NET] **Corrected** enum `CopyOption`: Removed wrongly introduced element `CopyOptionalContent-groups` and changed values of all subsequent elements.
- [,.NET] **New** enum elements `CopyAssociatedFiles`, `MergeOCGs`, and `SeparateAcroForms` in enum `CopyOption`.
- [Java] **New** enum elements `COPY_ASSOCIATED_FILES`, `MERGE_OCGS`, and `SEPERATE_ACRFOFORMS` in enum `CopyOption`.

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- [.NET, Java] **Changed** behavior of property getters to signal errors instead of just returning default values.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ImageMask` for images that are used as stencil masks.
- [.NET, C, Java] **Deprecated** interface `Form` (superseded by `Group`).
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `Group` for transparency group resources.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** struct `TransparencyParams` that groups transparency related parameters.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** enum `ColorSpaceType` that denotes the type of a color space.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** struct `FillParams` that groups transparency related parameters.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** struct `TransparencyParams` that groups transparency related parameters.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `Group` for transparency group resources.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** struct `TransparencyParams` that groups transparency related parameters.

**New** feature: Page content extraction and modification through the following new interface elements:
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ContentExtractor`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** enum `UngroupingSet`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `TextFragment`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ContentElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `TextElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `GroupElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `PathElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ImageElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ImageMaskElement`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** interface `ShadingElement`.

**Interface Document**
- [NET, C, Java] **Deprecated** method `CreateForm` (superseded by `CreateGroup`).
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateGroup` to create a new transparency group resource.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateImageMask` to create a new stencil mask resource.
- [NET, C, Java] **Deprecated** method `CopyPageAsForm` (superseded by `CopyPageAsGroup`).
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CopyPageAsGroup` to create a transparency group resource from an input page.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CopyContentElement` to copy an input content element to an output document.

**Interface ColorSpace**
- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `Type`.

**Interface Transformation**
- [NET, C, Java] **New** copy constructor.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `Invert`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `TransformPoint`.

**Interface ContentGenerator**
- [NET, C, Java] **Deprecated** method `PaintForm` (superseded by `PaintGroup`).
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `PaintGroup` to place a transparency group resource onto the output content.
- [NET, C, Java] **Changed** method `PaintImageMask`: The type of the image to be painted as image mask is changed from `Image` to `ImageMask`.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `AppendContentElement` to place a copied input content element onto the output content.
### Interface Paint
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property *ColorSpace*.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property *Color*.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property *Transparency*.

### Interface Image

### Interface Text
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** iterator interface for extracting *TextFragments*.

## 7.4 Changes in Version 4.11
- **New** support for reading and writing PDF 2.0 documents.
- **New** support for the creation of output files larger than 10GB (not PDF/A-1).
- **Improved** search in installed font collection to also find fonts by other names than TrueType or PostScript names.
- **Improved** font subsetting of CFF and OpenType fonts.
- **New** optimization of output file size for documents that contain structure information.

### Interface Document
- [.NET, C, Java] **Changed** method *CreateDeviceColorSpace*: PDF/A conformance of the document is now removed if not explicitly requested and if no output intent is set.

### Enumeration Conformance
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** item *Pdf20*.

## 7.5 Changes in Version 4.10
- **Improved** robustness against corrupt input PDF documents.
- [C] **Clarified** Error handling of *TPdfStreamDescriptor* functions.
- **Improved** reparation of corrupt form fields.
- **New** support for writing PDF objects into object streams. Most objects that are contained in object streams in the input document are now also stored in object streams in the output document. When enabling linearization, however, no objects are stored in object streams.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** enumeration *BlendMode*.

### Interface Document
- [.NET, C, Java] **Changed** the error handling of method *Open*:
  - Opening a PDF collection (portfolio) will now result in an error of type *UnsupportedFeature*.
  - Opening a PDF with an unsupported PDF version will now result in an error of type *Conformance*.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** method *CreateMetadata* to create new metadata objects.
- [NET, C, Java] **Changed** the behavior of method `CopyPage` and `CopyPageAsForm`:
  - The outline structure in the output file now always matches the outline structure in the input file, regardless of the order in which pages are copied.
  - If the conformance of the output document is explicitly set to PDF/A level A and the copy option `CopyLogicalStructure` is not set, an error of type `Conformance` is signaled.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateBlendingPaint` to create a paint with a specific blend mode.

**Interface Page**

- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `Metadata` to access or modify the page metadata.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `MediaBox` to access the page's media box.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `BleedBox` to access the page's bleed box.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `TrimBox` to access the page's trim box.
- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `ArtBox` to access the page's art box.

**Interface Metadata**

- [NET, C, Java] **New** property `Xmp` to access the XMP metadata stream.

### 7.6 Changes in Version 4.9

- **Improved** support for and robustness against corrupt input PDF documents.
- **Improved** repair of embedded font programs that are corrupt.
- **New** support for OpenType font collections in installed font collection.
- **Improved** metadata generation for standard PDF properties.
- [C] **Changed** return value `pfGetLength` of `TPDFStreamDescriptor` to `pos_t`.
- [Java] **New**: `MemoryStream` implementation for `Stream` interface.

**Interface Document**

- [NET, C, Java] **New** method `CreateAlphaPaint`: Create transparent paint using alpha blending that can be used for filling and stroking paths and text.
- [NET, C, Java] **Changed** method `Create`: The behavior of the parameter `conformance` is now more consistent and predictable.

**Previous behavior:**
- If an explicit conformance was given, the value was changed silently if content from an incompatible document was added later.
- If no explicit conformance was given, using certain features would still lead to an error, depending on the currently determined conformance level.

**New behavior:**
- If an explicit conformance is given, the value is always respected.
- If no explicit conformance is given, the value will always be determined automatically and no errors will occur.

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6 This has no effect on neither the .NET, Java, nor COM API
- [.NET, C, Java] **Changed** behavior of methods **CopyPage** and **CopyPageAsForm**: These methods will now report an error when trying to copy from a document with a conformance incompatible to the conformance specified in the method **Create**.

- [.NET, C, Java] **Changed** behavior of methods **CreateFont** and **CreateSystemFont**: These methods will no longer report an error for non-embedded fonts, if the conformance was **automatically** determined to be PDF/A. The conformance is now changed to a suitable value instead. If the conformance was explicitly specified, the error is still reported.

**Interface Transformation**

- [.NET, C, Java] **New** method **RotateAround** to rotate around a specific point.

### 7.7 Changes in Version 4.8

- **Improved** creation of annotation appearances to use less memory and processing time.
- **Added** repair functionality for TrueType font programs whose glyphs are not ordered correctly.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** interface **SignatureField** gives access to certain properties of a signature field.
- [C] **Renamed** struct **TPdfRect** to **TPdfRectangle** for consistency reasons.
- [.NET] **Renamed** struct **Rect** to **Rectangle** for consistency reasons.

**All interfaces**

- [.NET, C, Java] **New** static property **ProductVersion** to identify the product version.
- [.NET] **New** static property setter **LicenseKey**.
- [.NET, Java] **Changed** all property setters to allow throwing exceptions.
- [C] **Changed** all property setters to return a **BOOL** return value.

**Interface Document**

- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property **SignatureFields** to enumerate the signature fields of the document.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** property setter for property **Metadata**.
- [.NET, C, Java] **New** function **CopyMetadata**.

**Interface Page**

- [.NET] **Changed** method **Rotate** to take a parameter of type **Rotation** instead of **int** for consistency reasons.

**Interface PageList**

- [C] **Renamed** all function prefixes from **PdfPages**... to **PdfPageList**... for consistency reasons.

**Interface Page**

- [.NET, C, Java] **Removed** property **Mask**, as it was barely useful in its current form.
**Struct Size**

- [Java] **Renamed** field `w` to `width` for consistency reasons.
- [Java] **Renamed** field `h` to `height` for consistency reasons.

**Enum Conformance**

- [C] **Renamed** all value prefixes from `ePDF...` to `ePdf...` for consistency reasons.
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