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Installation instructions for teTeX  
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Please check \_first\_ the same file name in the LaTeX sources directory and \_read\_ the given instructions.

Distribution to install: generic French tar file FrenchPourUnix  
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Status  
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teTeX is known to run correctly with French Pro. Most recent teTeX version is located here at ftp://ftp.rrzn.uni-hannover.de/pub/local/misc/teTeX-beta/

For any system, the file fmtutil.cnf should contain:

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frtex	tex	language.dat	-mltex frtex.ini
frlatex	tex	language.dat	-mltex frlatex.ini
frpdftex	pdfTeX	language.dat	-mltex frpdftex.ini
frpdflatex	pdfTeX	language.dat	-mltex frpdflatex.ini

and the texmf.cnf file should contain:

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TEXINPUTS.frlatex = .;$TEXMF/{mltex,tex}/{french,latex,generic,}//
TEXINPUTS.frtex   = .;$TEXMF/{mltex,tex}/{french,plain,generic,}//
TEXINPUTS.frpdlatex = .;$TEXMF/{mltex,pdfTeX,tex}/{french,latex,generic,}//
TEXINPUTS.frpdtex  = .;$TEXMF/{mltex,pdfTeX,tex}/{french,plain,generic,}//
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When missing, these lines are defaultly added to that files by the GNUmakefile process.

For Unix/Linux users: a "GNUmakefile" file is provided which will install

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automatically French Pro for you, just type "gmake -f GNUmakefile" (notice the makefile spend few time to start working). If you don't have GNU make, read the comments in the "GNUmakefile" file.

For MacOS X users: try like for any unix above except that

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- 1- you should have installed "bash" required for TeXLive installation (provided on the TeXLive CD) and teTeX should be well running.
- 2- install the CD "Developer Tools" or look at <http://developer.apple.com/tools/macosxtools.html> required to run "make".
- 3- as, defaultly, teTeX tree is protected (root is the owner) you should have to be root to install French Pro or to run the GNUmakefile under "sudo". As gmake is named make just type: "make -f GNUmakefile" or "sudo make -f GNUmakefile"

For Windows users: you have to choose the installer type.

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either a .bat file or the unix emulation.

- 1- there is an install.bat file; you have to set the SOURCE and ROOT environnement variables and then you can just execute it by typing/clicking "install" ("mikinstall" for MiKTeX users). It will run quickly but... not surely since there is few error processing.
- 2- \*\*\* PREFERRED mode \*\*\*  
you can download and install first the GNU unix basic commands you

will find at <http://unxutils.sourceforge.net/>  
Install that binaries in a directory accessed by your PATH variable.  
(be carefull not to mix them with DOS/Windows commands since few  
commands have the same name).  
Then you have the stuff to run the GNUmakefile, just type "make".  
If you have a CC compiler type "make CC=compiler\_name "  
Notice that TeXLive until 7 may provide a wrong HOMETEXMF variable,  
so check it with "kpsewhich --expand-var='\$HOMETEXMF'" and correct  
it if necessary.

At the END OF THIS FILE you can read a message of Thomas Esser explaining  
why the french package was no more in the teTeX distribution. Since  
July 2000 there is a LPPL version of French called "le" and since  
January 2001 that shareware version of French called "pro".

#### General instructions

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Read Bernard's documentation "ALIRE.pdf" to have a good idea  
of the configuration options. The complete GNUmakefile provided with  
the current distribution of French Pro automatically makes the  
necessary job for you.

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On Feb 24th, 1999, Thomas Esser said:

"To create a french format for LaTeX, just do the following steps:

- edit the file web2c/fmtutil.cnf and remove the comment for  
the frl latex line
- customize any of the files in tex/french/config to meet your  
requirements
- run the commands  
    fmtutil --byfmt frl latex  
    texlinks

You are done. You can now use the command "frl latex" to process your  
documents"

Don't forget you certainly have the possibility to obtain 8bits chars  
directly on your screen using any LOCALE:

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LC_CTYPE=latin9 ; export LC_CTYPE # bsh or other bsh based shell
setenv LC_CTYPE french           # csh
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From: Thomas Esser <te@informatik.uni-hannover.de>  
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Subject: Re: GUTenberg file  
Date: Thu, 27 May 1999 11:52:48 +0200

[...]

bg> so please, send me an "official" explanation i could send to  
bg> the French users.

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    "Copyright".
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My aim is that people have the freedom to redistribute teTeX without asking me or anybody else as long as they distribute the package without removing or changing anything. The other aim is that people have the freedom to do the changes they need (this requires to respect the individual copyright of the package that is to be changed).

BTW: I am not alone with this view of things. The two points mentioned above also conflict with the philosophy about free software expressed in:  
<http://www.gnu.org/philosophy/free-sw.html>

Thomas