

LilyPond

The music typesetter

Internals Reference

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1 Music definitions

1.1 Music expressions

1.1.1 AbsoluteDynamicEvent

Create a dynamic mark.

Syntax: *note*\x, where \x is a dynamic mark like \ppp or \sfz. A complete list is in file `ly/dynamic-scripts-init.ly`.

Event classes: `absolute-dynamic-event` (page 48), `dynamic-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316), and `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'AbsoluteDynamicEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event
      event
      dynamic-event
      absolute-dynamic-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.2 AdHocJumpEvent

Insert a `JumpScript`.

Syntax: \jump *markup*

Example: \jump "Gavotte I D.C."

Event classes: `ad-hoc-jump-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), and `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'AdHocJumpEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(ad-hoc-jump-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.3 AdHocMarkEvent

Insert markup as a rehearsal mark without advancing the rehearsal mark sequence.

Syntax: \mark *markup*

Example: \mark "A"

Event classes: `ad-hoc-mark-event` (page 48), `mark-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'AdHocMarkEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(ad-hoc-mark-event mark-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.4 AlternativeEvent

Create an alternative event.

Event classes: `alternative-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Timing_translator` (page 349).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'AlternativeEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event alternative-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.5 AnnotateOutputEvent

Print an annotation of an output element.

Event classes: `annotate-output-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Balloon_engraver` (page 303).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'AnnotateOutputEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event annotate-output-event post-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.6 ApplyContext

Call the argument with the current context during interpreting phase.

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:apply-context-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.
```

name (symbol):
 `'ApplyContext`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(apply-context)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.7 ApplyOutputEvent

Call the argument with all current grobs during interpreting phase.

Syntax: `\applyOutput #'context func`

Arguments to *func* are 1. the grob, 2. the originating context, and 3. the context where *func* is called.

Event classes: `apply-output-event` (page 48), `layout-instruction-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Output_property_engraver` (page 334).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'ApplyOutputEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(event apply-output-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.8 ArpeggioEvent

Make an arpeggio on this note.

Syntax: `note-\arpeggio`

Event classes: `arpeggio-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Arpeggio_engraver` (page 302).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'ArpeggioEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(post-event arpeggio-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.9 ArticulationEvent

Add an articulation marking to a note.

Syntax: `notexy`, where *x* is a direction (`^` for up or `_` for down), or LilyPond's choice (no direction specified), and where *y* is an articulation (such as `-.`, `->`, `\tenuto`, `\downbow`). See the Notation Reference for details.

Event classes: `articulation-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), `script-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Beat_engraver` (page 306), `Beat_performer` (page 307), `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Note_performer` (page 333), and `Script_engraver` (page 340).

Properties:

```
name (symbol):
    'ArticulationEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event
      event
      articulation-event
      script-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.10 BarCheck

Check whether this music coincides with the start of the measure.

Properties:

```
iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:bar-check-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
    'BarCheck
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(bar-check)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.11 BarEvent

Force a bar line.

Syntax: `\bar type`

Example: `\bar "!"`

Event classes: `bar-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Timing_translator` (page 349).

Properties:

```
name (symbol):
    'BarEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(bar-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.12 BassFigureEvent

Print a bass-figure text.

Event classes: `bass-figure-event` (page 48), `music-event` (page 52), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Figured_bass_engraver` (page 317).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'BassFigureEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event rhythmic-event bass-figure-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.13 BeamEvent

Start or stop a beam.

Syntax for manual control: `c8-[c c-] c8`

Event classes: `beam-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Beam_engraver` (page 305), `Beam_performer` (page 306), and `Grace_beam_engraver` (page 320).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'BeamEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event event beam-event span-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.14 BeamForbidEvent

Specify that a note may not auto-beamed.

Event classes: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Auto_beam_engraver` (page 302), and `Grace_auto_beam_engraver` (page 320).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'BeamForbidEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event event beam-forbid-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.15 BendAfterEvent

A drop/fall/doit jazz articulation.

Event classes: `bend-after-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Bend_engraver` (page 307).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'BendAfterEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event bend-after-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.16 BendSpanEvent

Used to signal where a bend spanner starts and stops.

Event classes: `bend-span-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Bend_spanner_engraver` (page 308).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'BendSpanEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(bend-span-event post-event span-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.17 BreakDynamicSpanEvent

End an alignment spanner for dynamics here.

Event classes: `break-dynamic-span-event` (page 49), `break-span-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'BreakDynamicSpanEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event
      break-span-event
      break-dynamic-span-event
      event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.18 BreathingEvent

Create a ‘breath mark’ or ‘comma’.

Syntax: *note***breathe**

Event classes: **breathing-event** (page 49), **music-event** (page 52), and **StreamEvent** (page 56).

Accepted by: **Breathing_sign_engraver** (page 308), and **Note_performer** (page 333).

Properties:

midi-length (procedure):

breathe::midi-length

Function to determine how long to play a note in MIDI. It should take a moment (the written length of the note) and a context, and return a moment (the length to play the note).

name (symbol):

'BreathingEvent

Name of this music object.

types (list):

'(event breathing-event)

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.19 ClusterNoteEvent

A note that is part of a cluster.

Event classes: **cluster-note-event** (page 49), **melodic-event** (page 52), **music-event** (page 52), **rhythmic-event** (page 55), and **StreamEvent** (page 56).

Accepted by: **Cluster_spanner_engraver** (page 310).

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):

ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor

Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

name (symbol):

'ClusterNoteEvent

Name of this music object.

types (list):

**'(cluster-note-event
melodic-event
rhythmic-event
event)**

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.20 CodaMarkEvent

Add a coda mark.

Event classes: **coda-mark-event** (page 49), **music-event** (page 52), and **StreamEvent** (page 56).

Accepted by: **Mark_tracking_translator** (page 328), and **Repeat_acknowledge_engraver** (page 338).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'CodaMarkEvent
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(coda-mark-event event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.21 CompletizeExtenderEvent

Used internally to signal the end of a lyrics block to ensure extenders are completed correctly when a **Lyrics** context ends before its associated **Voice** context.

Event classes: **completize-extender-event** (page 50), **music-event** (page 52), and **StreamEvent** (page 56).

Accepted by: **Extender_engraver** (page 317).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'CompletizeExtenderEvent
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(completize-extender-event event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.22 ContextChange

Change staves in Piano staff.

Syntax: `\change Staff = new-id`

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 ly:change-iterator::constructor
 Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

name (symbol):
 'ContextChange
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(translator-change-instruction)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.23 ContextSpeccedMusic

Interpret the argument music within a specific context.

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 ly:context-specced-music-iterator::constructor
 Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):

`ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`

How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):

`'ContextSpeccedMusic`

Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):

`ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`

Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):

`'(context-specification music-wrapper-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.24 CrescendoEvent

Begin or end a crescendo.

Syntax: *note*\< ... *note*!

An alternative syntax is *note*\cr ... *note*\endcr.

Event classes: `crescendo-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), `span-dynamic-event` (page 56), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316), and `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'CrescendoEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event
span-event
span-dynamic-event
crescendo-event
event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.25 DalSegnoEvent

Add a *D.S.* or similar instruction.

Event classes: `dal-segno-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338), and `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'DalSegnoEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(dal-segno-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.26 DecrescendoEvent

Begin or end a decrescendo.

Syntax: *note\> ... note\!*

An alternative syntax is *note\decr ... note\enddecr*.

Event classes: `decrescendo-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), `span-dynamic-event` (page 56), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316), and `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'DecrescendoEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event
span-event
span-dynamic-event
decrescendo-event
event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.27 DoublePercentEvent

Used internally to signal double percent repeats.

Event classes: `double-percent-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Double_percent_repeat_engraver` (page 314).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'DoublePercentEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(event double-percent-event rhythmic-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.28 DurationLineEvent

Initiate a duration line.

Syntax: *note\-*

Event classes: `duration-line-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Duration_line_engraver` (page 315).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'DurationLineEvent
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(duration-line-event post-event event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.29 EpisemaEvent

Begin or end an episema.

Event classes: `episema-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Episema_engraver` (page 317).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'EpisemaEvent
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(post-event span-event event episema-event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.30 Event

Atomic music event.

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'Event
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.31 EventChord

Explicitly entered chords.

When iterated, `elements` are converted to events at the current timestep, followed by any `articulations`. Per-chord postevents attached by the parser just follow any rhythmic events in `elements` instead of utilizing `articulations`.

An unexpanded chord repetition 'q' is recognizable by having its duration stored in `duration`.

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:event-chord-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::event-chord-length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
`'EventChord`
 Name of this music object.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::event-chord-relative-callback`
 How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):
`'(event-chord simultaneous-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.32 ExtenderEvent

Extend lyrics.

Event classes: `extender-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Extender_engraver` (page 317).

Properties:

name (symbol):
`'ExtenderEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
`'(post-event extender-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.33 FineEvent

End the performance, not necessarily at the written end of the music.

Event classes: `fine-event` (page 50), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338), and `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
`ly:fine-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

name (symbol):
`'FineEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
`'(fine-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.34 FingerGlideEvent

Initiate a line connecting two equal fingerings. This line represents a finger gliding on a string.

Syntax: *note\glide-finger*

Event classes: `finger-glide-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'FingerGlideEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(finger-glide-event post-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.35 FingeringEvent

Specify what finger to use for this note.

Event classes: `fingering-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Fingering_engraver` (page 318), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'FingeringEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event fingering-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.36 FootnoteEvent

Footnote a grob.

Event classes: `footnote-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'FootnoteEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event footnote-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.37 GlissandoEvent

Start a glissando on this note.

Event classes: `glissando-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Glissando_engraver` (page 320).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'GlissandoEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event glissando-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.38 GraceMusic

Interpret the argument as grace notes.

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:grace-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length` (moment):

`#<Mom 0>`

The endpoint of this music. This property is unhappily named in that it does not account for any initial grace notes: the full length of the music is `length` minus the start time. A value of `INF-MOMENT` indicates indefinite length.

`name` (symbol):

`'GraceMusic`

Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):

`ly:grace-music::start-callback`

Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`types` (list):

`'(grace-music music-wrapper-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.39 HarmonicEvent

Mark a note as harmonic.

Event classes: `harmonic-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'HarmonicEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event event harmonic-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.40 HyphenEvent

A hyphen between lyric syllables.

Event classes: `hyphen-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Hyphen_engraver` (page 322).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'HyphenEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event hyphen-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.41 KeyChangeEvent

Change the key signature.

Syntax: `\key name scale`

Event classes: `key-change-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Key_engraver` (page 324), and `Key_performer` (page 325).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'KeyChangeEvent`

Name of this music object.

to-relative-callback (procedure):

`#<procedure #f (x p)>`

How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):

`'(key-change-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.42 LabelEvent

Place a bookmarking label.

Event classes: `label-event` (page 51), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Paper_column_engraver` (page 334).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'LabelEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(label-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.43 LaissezVibrerEvent

Don't damp this chord.

Syntax: *note*\laissezVibrer

Event classes: *laissez-vibrer-event* (page 51), *music-event* (page 52), and *StreamEvent* (page 56).

Accepted by: *Laissez_vibrer_engraver* (page 326).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'LaissezVibrerEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event event laissez-vibrer-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.44 LigatureEvent

Start or end a ligature.

Event classes: *ligature-event* (page 51), *music-event* (page 52), *span-event* (page 56), and *StreamEvent* (page 56).

Accepted by: *Kievan_ligature_engraver* (page 326), *Ligature_bracket_engraver* (page 326), *Mensural_ligature_engraver* (page 329), and *Vaticana_ligature_engraver* (page 351).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'LigatureEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(span-event ligature-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.45 LineBreakEvent

Allow, forbid or force a line break.

Event classes: *break-event* (page 49), *line-break-event* (page 52), *music-event* (page 52), and *StreamEvent* (page 56).

Accepted by: *Page_turn_engraver* (page 334), and *Paper_column_engraver* (page 334).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'LineBreakEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(line-break-event break-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.46 LyricCombineMusic

Align lyrics to the start of notes.

Syntax: `\lyricsto voicename lyrics`

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):

`ly:lyric-combine-music-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length (moment):

`#<Mom infinity>`

The endpoint of this music. This property is unhappily named in that it does not account for any initial grace notes: the full length of the music is `length` minus the start time. A value of `INF-MOMENT` indicates indefinite length.

name (symbol):

`'LyricCombineMusic`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(lyric-combine-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.47 LyricEvent

A lyric syllable. Must be entered in lyrics mode, i.e., `\lyrics { twinkle4 twinkle4 } .`

Event classes: `lyric-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Lyric_engraver` (page 326), and `Lyric_performer` (page 327).

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):

`ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

name (symbol):

`'LyricEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(rhythmic-event lyric-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.48 MeasureCounterEvent

Used to signal the start and end of a measure count.

Event classes: `measure-counter-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Measure_counter_engraver` (page 328).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'MeasureCounterEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(measure-counter-event span-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.49 MeasureSpannerEvent

Used to signal the start and end of a measure spanner.

Event classes: `measure-spanner-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Measure_spanner_engraver` (page 329).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'MeasureSpannerEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(measure-spanner-event span-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.50 MultiMeasureArticulationEvent

Articulations on multi-measure rests.

Event classes: `multi-measure-articulation-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'MultiMeasureArticulationEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event
      event
      multi-measure-articulation-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.51 MultiMeasureRestEvent

Used internally by `MultiMeasureRestMusic` to signal rests.

Event classes: `multi-measure-rest-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
  'MultiMeasureRestEvent
  Name of this music object.

types (list):
  '(event rhythmic-event multi-measure-rest-event)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.
```

1.1.52 MultiMeasureRestMusic

Rests that may be compressed into multi-measure rests.

Syntax: `R2.*4` for 4 measures in 3/4 time.

Properties:

```

elements-callback (procedure):
  mm-rest-child-list
  Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music
  parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:sequential-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
  'MultiMeasureRestMusic
  Name of this music object.

types (list):
  '(multi-measure-rest)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.
```

1.1.53 MultiMeasureTextEvent

Texts on multi-measure rests.

Syntax: `R-\markup { \roman "bla" }`

Note the explicit font switch.

Event classes: `multi-measure-text-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'MultiMeasureTextEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event event multi-measure-text-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.54 Music

Generic type for music expressions.

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'Music
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '()
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.55 NoteEvent

A note.

Outside of chords, any events in `articulations` with a listener are broadcast like chord articulations, the others are retained.

For iteration inside of chords, See Section 1.1.31 [`EventChord`], page 12.

Event classes: `melodic-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `note-event` (page 53), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Beat_engraver` (page 306), `Beat_performer` (page 307), `Bend_spanner_engraver` (page 308), `Chord_name_engraver` (page 309), `Completion_heads_engraver` (page 311), `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Drum_notes_engraver` (page 314), `Finger_glide_engraver` (page 318), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), `Note_heads_engraver` (page 332), `Note_name_engraver` (page 333), `Note_performer` (page 333), `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335), `Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336), `Slur_engraver` (page 342), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
    'NoteEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event note-event rhythmic-event melodic-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.56 NoteGroupingEvent

Start or stop grouping brackets.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `note-grouping-event` (page 53), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Horizontal_bracket_engraver` (page 322).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'NoteGroupingEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event event note-grouping-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.57 OttavaEvent

Start or stop an ottava bracket.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `ottava-event` (page 53), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Ottava_spanner_engraver` (page 333).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'OttavaEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(ottava-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.58 OverrideProperty

Extend the definition of a graphical object.

Syntax: `\override [context .] object property = value`

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:push-property-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`name` (symbol):

`'OverrideProperty`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(layout-instruction-event
override-property-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

`untransposable` (boolean):

`#t`

If set, this music is not transposed.

1.1.59 PageBreakEvent

Allow, forbid or force a page break.

Event classes: `break-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), `page-break-event` (page 53), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Page_turn_engraver` (page 334), and `Paper_column_engraver` (page 334).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'PageBreakEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(break-event page-break-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.60 PageTurnEvent

Allow, forbid or force a page turn.

Event classes: `break-event` (page 49), `music-event` (page 52), `page-turn-event` (page 54), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Page_turn_engraver` (page 334), and `Paper_column_engraver` (page 334).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'PageTurnEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(break-event page-turn-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.61 PartCombineMusic

Combine two parts on a staff, either merged or as separate voices.

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:part-combine-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length-callback` (procedure):

`ly:music-sequence::maximum-length-callback`

How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`name` (symbol):

`'PartCombineMusic`

Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):

`ly:music-sequence::minimum-start-callback`

Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 '(part-combine-music)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.62 PartialSet

Create an anacrusis or upbeat (partial measure).

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 ly:partial-iterator::constructor
 Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 ly:music-sequence::cumulative-length-callback
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in **scm/define-music-types.scm**.

name (symbol):
 'PartialSet
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(partial-set)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.63 PercentEvent

Used internally to signal percent repeats.

Event classes: **music-event** (page 52), **percent-event** (page 54), and **StreamEvent** (page 56).

Accepted by: **Percent_repeat_engraver** (page 335).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 'PercentEvent
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 '(event percent-event rhythmic-event)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.64 PercentRepeatedMusic

Repeats encoded by percents and slashes.

Properties:

elements-callback (procedure):
 make-percent-set
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:percent-repeat-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 `ly:calculated-sequential-music::length`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
 `'PercentRepeatedMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:calculated-sequential-music::start`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 `'(repeated-music percent-repeated-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.65 PesOrFlexaEvent

Within a ligature, mark the previous and the following note to form a pes (if melody goes up) or a flexa (if melody goes down).

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `pes-or-flexa-event` (page 54), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Vaticana_ligature_engraver` (page 351).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'PesOrFlexaEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(pes-or-flexa-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.66 PhrasingSlurEvent

Start or end phrasing slur.

Syntax: `note\`(and `note\`)

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `phrasing-slur-event` (page 54), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'PhrasingSlurEvent`
 Name of this music object.


```
types (list):
  '(post-event span-event event phrasing-slur-event)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.
```

1.1.67 PostEvents

Container for several postevents.

This can be used to package several events into a single one. Should not be seen outside of the parser.

Properties:

```
name (symbol):
  'PostEvents
  Name of this music object.

types (list):
  '(post-event post-event-wrapper)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.
```

1.1.68 PropertySet

Set a context property.

Syntax: `\set context.prop = scheme-val`

Properties:

```
iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:property-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
  'PropertySet
  Name of this music object.

types (list):
  '(layout-instruction-event)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.

untransposable (boolean):
  #t
  If set, this music is not transposed.
```

1.1.69 PropertyUnset

Restore the default setting for a context property. See Section 1.1.68 [PropertySet], page 26.

Syntax: `\unset context.prop`

Properties:

```
iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:property-unset-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
  'PropertyUnset
  Name of this music object.
```

types (list):
 `'(layout-instruction-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.70 QuoteMusic

Quote preprocessed snippets of music.

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
 `'QuoteMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 `'(music-wrapper-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.71 RehearsalMarkEvent

Insert a rehearsal mark.

Syntax: `\mark marker`

Example: `\mark 3`

Event classes: `mark-event` (page 52), `music-event` (page 52), `rehearsal-mark-event` (page 54), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328).

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'RehearsalMarkEvent`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(rehearsal-mark-event mark-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.72 RelativeOctaveCheck

Check if a pitch is in the correct octave.

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'RelativeOctaveCheck`
 Name of this music object.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
 `ly:relative-octave-check::relative-callback`
 How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):
 `'(relative-octave-check)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.73 RelativeOctaveMusic

Music in which the assignment of octaves is complete.

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
 `'RelativeOctaveMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
 `ly:relative-octave-music::relative-callback`
 How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):
 `'(music-wrapper-music relative-octave-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.74 RepeatSlashEvent

Used internally to signal beat repeats.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `repeat-slash-event` (page 54), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Slash_repeat_engraver` (page 341).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'RepeatSlashEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event repeat-slash-event rhythmic-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.75 RepeatTieEvent

Ties for starting a second volta bracket.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `repeat-tie-event` (page 54), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Repeat_tie_engraver` (page 339).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'RepeatTieEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(post-event event repeat-tie-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.76 RestEvent

A Rest.

Syntax: `r4` for a quarter rest.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `rest-event` (page 54), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Chord_name_engraver` (page 309), `Completion_rest_engraver` (page 311), `Figured_bass_engraver` (page 317), and `Rest_engraver` (page 339).

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
    'RestEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event rhythmic-event rest-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.

```

1.1.77 RevertProperty

The opposite of Section 1.1.58 [`OverrideProperty`], page 22: remove a previously added property from a graphical object definition.

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:pop-property-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
    'RevertProperty
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(layout-instruction-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.78 ScriptEvent

Add an articulation mark to a note.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `script-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'ScriptEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.79 SectionEvent

Add a section division, which is typically written as a thin double bar line.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `section-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'SectionEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(section-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.
```

1.1.80 SectionLabelEvent

Mark the beginning of a named passage. Does not imply a section division.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `section-label-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328).

Properties:

```
name (symbol):
    'SectionLabelEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(section-label-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.81 SegnoMarkEvent

Add a segno mark or bar line.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `segno-mark-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328), and `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338).

Properties:

```
name (symbol):
    'SegnoMarkEvent
    Name of this music object.

types (list):
    '(segno-mark-event event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.82 SegnoRepeatedMusic

Repeats with alternatives placed sequentially and marked with segno, Coda, *D.C.*, etc.

Properties:

```
elements-callback (procedure):
    make-volta-set
    Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music
    parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:volta-repeat-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
    ly:calculated-sequential-music::length
    How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined
    as initializer in scm/define-music-types.scm.
```

name (symbol):
 `'SegnoRepeatedMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:calculated-sequential-music::start`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 `'(segno-repeated-music
 folded-repeated-music
 repeated-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.83 SequentialAlternativeMusic

Repeat alternatives in sequence.

Syntax: `\alternative { alternatives }`

Properties:

elements-callback (procedure):
 `#<procedure #f (m)>`
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:alternative-sequence-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-sequence::cumulative-length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
 `'SequentialAlternativeMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:music-sequence::first-start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 `'(sequential-music sequential-alternative-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.84 SequentialMusic

Music expressions concatenated.

Syntax: `\sequential { ... }` or simply `{ ... }`

Properties:

elements-callback (procedure):
`#<procedure #f (m)>`
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
`ly:sequential-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::cumulative-length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
`'SequentialMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::first-start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
`'(sequential-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.85 SimultaneousMusic

Music playing together.

Syntax: `\simultaneous { ... }` or `<< ... >>`

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
`ly:simultaneous-music-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::maximum-length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
`'SimultaneousMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::minimum-start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
`ly:music-sequence::simultaneous-relative-callback`
 How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

`types` (list):

`'(simultaneous-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.86 SkipEvent

Filler that takes up duration, but does not print anything.

Syntax: `s4` for a skip equivalent to a quarter rest.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `rhythmic-event` (page 55), `skip-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:rhythmic-music-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`name` (symbol):

`'SkipEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event rhythmic-event skip-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.87 SkipMusic

Filler that takes up duration, does not print anything, and also does not create staves or voices implicitly.

Syntax: `\skip duration`

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:simple-music-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`name` (symbol):

`'SkipMusic`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event skip-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.88 SkippedMusic

Filler that takes up duration, does not print anything, and also does not create staves or voices implicitly.

Syntax: `\skip music`

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:simple-music-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length-callback` (procedure):

`ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`

How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`name` (symbol):

`'SkippedMusic`

Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):

`ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`

Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`types` (list):

`'(skipped-music music-wrapper-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.89 SlurEvent

Start or end slur.

Syntax: `note(` and `note)`

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `slur-event` (page 55), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Slur_engraver` (page 342), and `Slur_performer` (page 342).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'SlurEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event span-event event slur-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.90 SoloOneEvent

Print 'Solo 1'.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `part-combine-event` (page 54), `solo-one-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'SoloOneEvent`

Name of this music object.

`part-combine-status` (symbol):

`'solo1`

Change to what kind of state? Options are `solo1`, `solo2` and `unisono`.

`types (list):`

`'(event part-combine-event solo-one-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.91 SoloTwoEvent

Print 'Solo 2'.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `part-combine-event` (page 54), `solo-two-event` (page 55), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335).

Properties:

`name (symbol):`

`'SoloTwoEvent`

Name of this music object.

`part-combine-status (symbol):`

`'solo2`

Change to what kind of state? Options are `solo1`, `solo2` and `unisono`.

`types (list):`

`'(event part-combine-event solo-two-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.92 SostenutoEvent

Depress or release sostenuto pedal.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `pedal-event` (page 54), `sostenuto-event` (page 55), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336), and `Piano_pedal_performer` (page 337).

Properties:

`name (symbol):`

`'SostenutoEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types (list):`

`'(post-event event pedal-event sostenuto-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.93 SpacingSectionEvent

Start a new spacing section.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `spacing-section-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Spacing_engraver` (page 342).

Properties:

`name (symbol):`

`'SpacingSectionEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(event spacing-section-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.94 SpanEvent

Event for anything that is started at a different time than stopped.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'SpanEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.95 StaffSpanEvent

Start or stop a staff symbol.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `staff-span-event` (page 56), and `StreamEvent` (page 56).

Accepted by: `Staff_symbol_engraver` (page 344).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'StaffSpanEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(event span-event staff-span-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.96 StringNumberEvent

Specify on which string to play this note.

Syntax: `\number`

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `string-number-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Bend_spanner_engraver` (page 308), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

Properties:

name (symbol):

`'StringNumberEvent`

Name of this music object.

types (list):

`'(post-event string-number-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.97 StrokeFingerEvent

Specify with which finger to pluck a string.

Syntax: `\rightHandFinger text`

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `stroke-finger-event` (page 57).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'StrokeFingerEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event stroke-finger-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.98 SustainEvent

Depress or release sustain pedal.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `pedal-event` (page 54), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `sustain-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336), and `Piano_pedal_performer` (page 337).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'SustainEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event event pedal-event sustain-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.99 TempoChangeEvent

A metronome mark or tempo indication.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `tempo-change-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Metronome_mark_engraver` (page 330).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'TempoChangeEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event tempo-change-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.100 TextScriptEvent

Print text.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `script-event` (page 55), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `text-script-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Text_engraver` (page 347).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'TextScriptEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event script-event text-script-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.101 TextSpanEvent

Start a text spanner, for example, an octavation.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `text-span-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Text_spanner_engraver` (page 347).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'TextSpanEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event span-event event text-span-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.102 TieEvent

A tie.

Syntax: *note-~*

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `tie-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Note_performer` (page 333), `Tie_engraver` (page 347), and `Tie_performer` (page 348).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'TieEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(post-event tie-event event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.103 TimeScaledMusic

Multiply durations, as in tuplets.

Syntax: `\times fraction music`, e.g., `\times 2/3 { ... }` for triplets.

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):
`ly:tuplet-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length-callback` (procedure):
`ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`name` (symbol):
`'TimeScaledMusic`
 Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):
`ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`types` (list):
`'(time-scaled-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.104 TimeSignatureEvent

An event created when setting a new time signature

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `time-signature-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Time_signature_engraver` (page 348), and `Time_signature_performer` (page 348).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
`'TimeSignatureEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
`'(event time-signature-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.105 TimeSignatureMusic

Set a new time signature

Properties:

`elements-callback` (procedure):
`make-time-signature-set`
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:sequential-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

name (symbol):
  'TimeSignatureMusic
  Name of this music object.

types (list):
  '(time-signature-music)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.

```

1.1.106 TransposedMusic

Music that has been transposed.

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
  ly:music-wrapper-iterator::constructor
  Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
  ly:music-wrapper::length-callback
  How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined
  as initializer in scm/define-music-types.scm.

name (symbol):
  'TransposedMusic
  Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
  ly:music-wrapper::start-callback
  Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property
  can only be defined as initializer in scm/define-music-types.scm.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
  ly:relative-octave-music::no-relative-callback
  How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):
  '(music-wrapper-music transposed-music)
  The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
  pression is processed.

```

1.1.107 TremoloEvent

Unmeasured tremolo.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `tremolo-event` (page 57).

Accepted by: `Stem_engraver` (page 344).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
  'TremoloEvent
  Name of this music object.

```


`types` (list):

`'(post-event event tremolo-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.108 TremoloRepeatedMusic

Repeated notes denoted by tremolo beams.

Properties:

`elements-callback` (procedure):

`make-tremolo-set`

Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):

`ly:sequential-iterator::constructor`

Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length-callback` (procedure):

`ly:calculated-sequential-music::length`

How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`name` (symbol):

`'TremoloRepeatedMusic`

Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):

`ly:calculated-sequential-music::start`

Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`types` (list):

`'(repeated-music tremolo-repeated-music)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.109 TremoloSpanEvent

Tremolo over two stems.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `tremolo-span-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Chord_tremolo_engraver` (page 309).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):

`'TremoloSpanEvent`

Name of this music object.

`types` (list):

`'(event span-event tremolo-span-event)`

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.110 TrillSpanEvent

Start a trill spanner.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `trill-span-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Trill_spanner_engraver` (page 350).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
 `'TrillSpanEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
 `'(post-event span-event event trill-span-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.111 TupletSpanEvent

Used internally to signal where tuplet brackets start and stop.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `tuplet-span-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Stem_engraver` (page 344), and `Tuplet_engraver` (page 350).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
 `'TupletSpanEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
 `'(tuplet-span-event span-event event post-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.112 UnaCordaEvent

Depress or release una-corda pedal.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `pedal-event` (page 54), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `una-corda-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336), and `Piano_pedal_performer` (page 337).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
 `'UnaCordaEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
 `'(post-event event pedal-event una-corda-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.113 UnfoldedRepeatedMusic

Repeated music which is fully written (and played) out.

Properties:

elements-callback (procedure):
make-unfolded-set
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
ly:sequential-iterator::constructor
 Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
ly:calculated-sequential-music::length
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in **scm/define-music-types.scm**.

name (symbol):
'UnfoldedRepeatedMusic
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
ly:calculated-sequential-music::start
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in **scm/define-music-types.scm**.

types (list):
'(repeated-music unfolded-repeated-music)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.114 UnfoldedSpeccedMusic

Music that appears once repeated music is unfolded.

Properties:

iterator-ctor (procedure):
ly:music-iterator::constructor
 Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.

length (moment):
#<Mom 0>
 The endpoint of this music. This property is unhappily named in that it does not account for any initial grace notes: the full length of the music is **length** minus the start time. A value of **INF-MOMENT** indicates indefinite length.

name (symbol):
'UnfoldedSpeccedMusic
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
'(unfolded-specification music-wrapper-music)
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.115 UnisonoEvent

Print ‘a 2’.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `part-combine-event` (page 54), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `unisono-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335).

Properties:

```

name (symbol):
    'UnisonoEvent
    Name of this music object.

part-combine-status (symbol):
    'unisono
    Change to what kind of state? Options are solo1, solo2 and unisono.

types (list):
    '(event part-combine-event unisono-event)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.116 UnrelativableMusic

Music that cannot be converted from relative to absolute notation. For example, transposed music.

Properties:

```

iterator-ctor (procedure):
    ly:music-wrapper-iterator::constructor
    Function to construct a music-event-iterator object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
    ly:music-wrapper::length-callback
    How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined
    as initializer in scm/define-music-types.scm.

name (symbol):
    'UnrelativableMusic
    Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
    ly:music-wrapper::start-callback
    Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property
    can only be defined as initializer in scm/define-music-types.scm.

to-relative-callback (procedure):
    ly:relative-octave-music::no-relative-callback
    How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.

types (list):
    '(music-wrapper-music unrelativable-music)
    The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music ex-
    pression is processed.
```

1.1.117 VoiceSeparator

Separate polyphonic voices in simultaneous music.

Syntax: `\`

Properties:

name (symbol):
 `'VoiceSeparator`
 Name of this music object.

types (list):
 `'(separator)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.118 VoltaRepeatedMusic

Repeats with alternatives placed sequentially.

Properties:

elements-callback (procedure):
 `make-volta-set`
 Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.

iterator-ctor (procedure):
 `ly:volta-repeat-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

length-callback (procedure):
 `ly:calculated-sequential-music::length`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

name (symbol):
 `'VoltaRepeatedMusic`
 Name of this music object.

start-callback (procedure):
 `ly:calculated-sequential-music::start`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

types (list):
 `'(volta-repeated-music`
 `folded-repeated-music`
 `repeated-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.119 VoltaSpanEvent

Used internally to signal where volta brackets start and stop.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `span-event` (page 56), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `volta-span-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338), and `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
 `'VoltaSpanEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
 `'(volta-span-event span-event event post-event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.120 VoltaSpeccedMusic

Music for a specific volta within repeated music.

Properties:

`iterator-ctor` (procedure):
 `ly:volta-specced-music-iterator::constructor`
 Function to construct a `music-event-iterator` object for this music.

`length-callback` (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::length-callback`
 How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`name` (symbol):
 `'VoltaSpeccedMusic`
 Name of this music object.

`start-callback` (procedure):
 `ly:music-wrapper::start-callback`
 Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.

`types` (list):
 `'(volta-specification music-wrapper-music)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.1.121 VowelTransitionEvent

A vowel transition between lyric syllables.

Event classes: `music-event` (page 52), `StreamEvent` (page 56), and `vowel-transition-event` (page 58).

Accepted by: `Hyphen_engraver` (page 322).

Properties:

`name` (symbol):
 `'VowelTransitionEvent`
 Name of this music object.

`types` (list):
 `'(post-event vowel-transition-event event)`
 The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

1.2 Music classes

1.2.1 absolute-dynamic-event

Music event type `absolute-dynamic-event` is in music objects of type `AbsoluteDynamicEvent` (page 2).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316), and `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

1.2.2 ad-hoc-jump-event

Music event type `ad-hoc-jump-event` is in music objects of type `AdHocJumpEvent` (page 2).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), and `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338).

1.2.3 ad-hoc-mark-event

Music event type `ad-hoc-mark-event` is in music objects of type `AdHocMarkEvent` (page 2).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328).

1.2.4 alternative-event

Music event type `alternative-event` is in music objects of type `AlternativeEvent` (page 3).

Accepted by: `Timing_translator` (page 349).

1.2.5 annotate-output-event

Music event type `annotate-output-event` is in music objects of type `AnnotateOutputEvent` (page 3).

Accepted by: `Balloon_engraver` (page 303).

1.2.6 apply-output-event

Music event type `apply-output-event` is in music objects of type `ApplyOutputEvent` (page 4).

Accepted by: `Output_property_engraver` (page 334).

1.2.7 arpeggio-event

Music event type `arpeggio-event` is in music objects of type `ArpeggioEvent` (page 4).

Accepted by: `Arpeggio_engraver` (page 302).

1.2.8 articulation-event

Music event type `articulation-event` is in music objects of type `ArticulationEvent` (page 4).

Accepted by: `Beat_engraver` (page 306), `Beat_performer` (page 307), `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Note_performer` (page 333), and `Script_engraver` (page 340).

1.2.9 bar-event

Music event type `bar-event` is in music objects of type `BarEvent` (page 5).

Accepted by: `Timing_translator` (page 349).

1.2.10 bass-figure-event

Music event type `bass-figure-event` is in music objects of type `BassFigureEvent` (page 6).

Accepted by: `Figured_bass_engraver` (page 317).

1.2.11 beam-event

Music event type **beam-event** is in music objects of type **BeamEvent** (page 6).

Accepted by: **Beam_engraver** (page 305), **Beam_performer** (page 306), and **Grace_beam_engraver** (page 320).

1.2.12 beam-forbid-event

Music event type **beam-forbid-event** is in music objects of type **BeamForbidEvent** (page 6).

Accepted by: **Auto_beam_engraver** (page 302), and **Grace_auto_beam_engraver** (page 320).

1.2.13 bend-after-event

Music event type **bend-after-event** is in music objects of type **BendAfterEvent** (page 7).

Accepted by: **Bend_engraver** (page 307).

1.2.14 bend-span-event

Music event type **bend-span-event** is in music objects of type **BendSpanEvent** (page 7).

Accepted by: **Bend_spanner_engraver** (page 308).

1.2.15 break-dynamic-span-event

Music event type **break-dynamic-span-event** is in music objects of type **BreakDynamicSpanEvent** (page 7).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.16 break-event

Music event type **break-event** is in music objects of type **LineBreakEvent** (page 17), **PageBreakEvent** (page 23), and **PageTurnEvent** (page 23).

Accepted by: **Page_turn_engraver** (page 334), and **Paper_column_engraver** (page 334).

1.2.17 break-span-event

Music event type **break-span-event** is in music objects of type **BreakDynamicSpanEvent** (page 7).

Accepted by: **Dynamic_engraver** (page 316).

1.2.18 breathing-event

Music event type **breathing-event** is in music objects of type **BreathingEvent** (page 8).

Accepted by: **Breathing_sign_engraver** (page 308), and **Note_performer** (page 333).

1.2.19 cluster-note-event

Music event type **cluster-note-event** is in music objects of type **ClusterNoteEvent** (page 8).

Accepted by: **Cluster_spanner_engraver** (page 310).

1.2.20 coda-mark-event

Music event type **coda-mark-event** is in music objects of type **CodaMarkEvent** (page 8).

Accepted by: **Mark_tracking_translator** (page 328), and **Repeat_acknowledge_engraver** (page 338).

1.2.21 completize-extender-event

Music event type `completize-extender-event` is in music objects of type `CompletizeExtenderEvent` (page 9).

Accepted by: `Extender_engraver` (page 317).

1.2.22 crescendo-event

Music event type `crescendo-event` is in music objects of type `CrescendoEvent` (page 10).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

1.2.23 dal-segno-event

Music event type `dal-segno-event` is in music objects of type `DalSegnoEvent` (page 10).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338), and `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

1.2.24 decrescendo-event

Music event type `decrescendo-event` is in music objects of type `DecrescendoEvent` (page 11).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_performer` (page 316).

1.2.25 double-percent-event

Music event type `double-percent-event` is in music objects of type `DoublePercentEvent` (page 11).

Accepted by: `Double_percent_repeat_engraver` (page 314).

1.2.26 duration-line-event

Music event type `duration-line-event` is in music objects of type `DurationLineEvent` (page 11).

Accepted by: `Duration_line_engraver` (page 315).

1.2.27 dynamic-event

Music event type `dynamic-event` is in music objects of type `AbsoluteDynamicEvent` (page 2).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.28 episema-event

Music event type `episema-event` is in music objects of type `EpisemaEvent` (page 12).

Accepted by: `Episema_engraver` (page 317).

1.2.29 extender-event

Music event type `extender-event` is in music objects of type `ExtenderEvent` (page 13).

Accepted by: `Extender_engraver` (page 317).

1.2.30 fine-event

Music event type `fine-event` is in music objects of type `FineEvent` (page 13).

Accepted by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323), `Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338), and `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

1.2.31 finger-glide-event

Music event type `finger-glide-event` is in music objects of type `FingerGlideEvent` (page 14).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.32 fingering-event

Music event type `fingering-event` is in music objects of type `FingeringEvent` (page 14).

Accepted by: `Fingering_engraver` (page 318), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

1.2.33 footnote-event

Music event type `footnote-event` is in music objects of type `FootnoteEvent` (page 14).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.34 glissando-event

Music event type `glissando-event` is in music objects of type `GlissandoEvent` (page 15).

Accepted by: `Glissando_engraver` (page 320).

1.2.35 harmonic-event

Music event type `harmonic-event` is in music objects of type `HarmonicEvent` (page 15).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.36 hyphen-event

Music event type `hyphen-event` is in music objects of type `HyphenEvent` (page 16).

Accepted by: `Hyphen_engraver` (page 322).

1.2.37 key-change-event

Music event type `key-change-event` is in music objects of type `KeyChangeEvent` (page 16).

Accepted by: `Key_engraver` (page 324), and `Key_performer` (page 325).

1.2.38 label-event

Music event type `label-event` is in music objects of type `LabelEvent` (page 16).

Accepted by: `Paper_column_engraver` (page 334).

1.2.39 laissez-vibrer-event

Music event type `laissez-vibrer-event` is in music objects of type `LaissezVibrerEvent` (page 17).

Accepted by: `Laissez_vibrer_engraver` (page 326).

1.2.40 layout-instruction-event

Music event type `layout-instruction-event` is in music objects of type `ApplyOutputEvent` (page 4).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.41 ligature-event

Music event type `ligature-event` is in music objects of type `LigatureEvent` (page 17).

Accepted by: `Kievan_ligature_engraver` (page 326), `Ligature_bracket_engraver` (page 326), `Mensural_ligature_engraver` (page 329), and `Vaticana_ligature_engraver` (page 351).

1.2.42 line-break-event

Music event type `line-break-event` is in music objects of type `LineBreakEvent` (page 17).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.43 lyric-event

Music event type `lyric-event` is in music objects of type `LyricEvent` (page 18).

Accepted by: `Lyric_engraver` (page 326), and `Lyric_performer` (page 327).

1.2.44 mark-event

Music event type `mark-event` is in music objects of type `AdHocMarkEvent` (page 2), and `RehearsalMarkEvent` (page 27).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.45 measure-counter-event

Music event type `measure-counter-event` is in music objects of type `MeasureCounterEvent` (page 19).

Accepted by: `Measure_counter_engraver` (page 328).

1.2.46 measure-spanner-event

Music event type `measure-spanner-event` is in music objects of type `MeasureSpannerEvent` (page 19).

Accepted by: `Measure_spanner_engraver` (page 329).

1.2.47 melodic-event

Music event type `melodic-event` is in music objects of type `ClusterNoteEvent` (page 8), and `NoteEvent` (page 21).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.48 multi-measure-articulation-event

Music event type `multi-measure-articulation-event` is in music objects of type `MultiMeasureArticulationEvent` (page 19).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

1.2.49 multi-measure-rest-event

Music event type `multi-measure-rest-event` is in music objects of type `MultiMeasureRestEvent` (page 20).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

1.2.50 multi-measure-text-event

Music event type `multi-measure-text-event` is in music objects of type `MultiMeasureTextEvent` (page 20).

Accepted by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

1.2.51 music-event

Music event type `music-event` is in music objects of type `AbsoluteDynamicEvent` (page 2), `AdHocJumpEvent` (page 2), `AdHocMarkEvent` (page 2), `AlternativeEvent` (page 3), `AnnotateOutputEvent` (page 3), `ApplyOutputEvent` (page 4), `ArpeggioEvent` (page 4), `ArticulationEvent` (page 4), `BarEvent` (page 5), `BassFigureEvent` (page 6),

BeamEvent (page 6), BeamForbidEvent (page 6), BendAfterEvent (page 7), BendSpanEvent (page 7), BreakDynamicSpanEvent (page 7), BreathingEvent (page 8), ClusterNoteEvent (page 8), CodaMarkEvent (page 8), CompletizeExtenderEvent (page 9), CrescendoEvent (page 10), DalSegnoEvent (page 10), DecrescendoEvent (page 11), DoublePercentEvent (page 11), DurationLineEvent (page 11), EpisemaEvent (page 12), ExtenderEvent (page 13), FineEvent (page 13), FingerGlideEvent (page 14), FingeringEvent (page 14), FootnoteEvent (page 14), GlissandoEvent (page 15), HarmonicEvent (page 15), HyphenEvent (page 16), KeyChangeEvent (page 16), LabelEvent (page 16), LaissezVibrerEvent (page 17), LigatureEvent (page 17), LineBreakEvent (page 17), LyricEvent (page 18), MeasureCounterEvent (page 19), MeasureSpannerEvent (page 19), MultiMeasureArticulationEvent (page 19), MultiMeasureRestEvent (page 20), MultiMeasureTextEvent (page 20), NoteEvent (page 21), NoteGroupingEvent (page 22), OttavaEvent (page 22), PageBreakEvent (page 23), PageTurnEvent (page 23), PercentEvent (page 24), PesOrFlexaEvent (page 25), PhrasingSlurEvent (page 25), RehearsalMarkEvent (page 27), RepeatSlashEvent (page 28), RepeatTieEvent (page 29), RestEvent (page 29), ScriptEvent (page 30), SectionEvent (page 30), SectionLabelEvent (page 31), SegnoMarkEvent (page 31), SkipEvent (page 34), SlurEvent (page 35), SoloOneEvent (page 35), SoloTwoEvent (page 36), SostenutoEvent (page 36), SpacingSectionEvent (page 36), SpanEvent (page 37), StaffSpanEvent (page 37), StringNumberEvent (page 37), StrokeFingerEvent (page 38), SustainEvent (page 38), TempoChangeEvent (page 38), TextScriptEvent (page 39), TextSpanEvent (page 39), TieEvent (page 39), TimeSignatureEvent (page 40), TremoloEvent (page 41), TremoloSpanEvent (page 42), TrillSpanEvent (page 43), TupletSpanEvent (page 43), UnaCordaEvent (page 43), UnisonoEvent (page 45), VoltaSpanEvent (page 46), and VowelTransitionEvent (page 47).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.52 note-event

Music event type `note-event` is in music objects of type `NoteEvent` (page 21).

Accepted by: `Beat_engraver` (page 306), `Beat_performer` (page 307), `Bend_spanner_engraver` (page 308), `Chord_name_engraver` (page 309), `Completion_heads_engraver` (page 311), `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Drum_notes_engraver` (page 314), `Finger_glide_engraver` (page 318), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), `Note_heads_engraver` (page 332), `Note_name_engraver` (page 333), `Note_performer` (page 333), `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335), `Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336), `Slur_engraver` (page 342), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

1.2.53 note-grouping-event

Music event type `note-grouping-event` is in music objects of type `NoteGroupingEvent` (page 22).

Accepted by: `Horizontal_bracket_engraver` (page 322).

1.2.54 ottava-event

Music event type `ottava-event` is in music objects of type `OttavaEvent` (page 22).

Accepted by: `Ottava_spanner_engraver` (page 333).

1.2.55 page-break-event

Music event type `page-break-event` is in music objects of type `PageBreakEvent` (page 23).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.56 page-turn-event

Music event type `page-turn-event` is in music objects of type `PageTurnEvent` (page 23).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.57 part-combine-event

Music event type `part-combine-event` is in music objects of type `SoloOneEvent` (page 35), `SoloTwoEvent` (page 36), and `UnisonoEvent` (page 45).

Accepted by: `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335).

1.2.58 pedal-event

Music event type `pedal-event` is in music objects of type `SostenutoEvent` (page 36), `SustainEvent` (page 38), and `UnaCordaEvent` (page 43).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.59 percent-event

Music event type `percent-event` is in music objects of type `PercentEvent` (page 24).

Accepted by: `Percent_repeat_engraver` (page 335).

1.2.60 pes-or-flexa-event

Music event type `pes-or-flexa-event` is in music objects of type `PesOrFlexaEvent` (page 25).

Accepted by: `Vaticana_ligature_engraver` (page 351).

1.2.61 phrasing-slur-event

Music event type `phrasing-slur-event` is in music objects of type `PhrasingSlurEvent` (page 25).

Accepted by: `Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336).

1.2.62 rehearsal-mark-event

Music event type `rehearsal-mark-event` is in music objects of type `RehearsalMarkEvent` (page 27).

Accepted by: `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328).

1.2.63 repeat-slash-event

Music event type `repeat-slash-event` is in music objects of type `RepeatSlashEvent` (page 28).

Accepted by: `Slash_repeat_engraver` (page 341).

1.2.64 repeat-tie-event

Music event type `repeat-tie-event` is in music objects of type `RepeatTieEvent` (page 29).

Accepted by: `Repeat_tie_engraver` (page 339).

1.2.65 rest-event

Music event type `rest-event` is in music objects of type `RestEvent` (page 29).

Accepted by: `Chord_name_engraver` (page 309), `Completion_rest_engraver` (page 311), `Figured_bass_engraver` (page 317), and `Rest_engraver` (page 339).

1.2.66 rhythmic-event

Music event type **rhythmic-event** is in music objects of type **BassFigureEvent** (page 6), **ClusterNoteEvent** (page 8), **DoublePercentEvent** (page 11), **LyricEvent** (page 18), **MultiMeasureRestEvent** (page 20), **NoteEvent** (page 21), **RepeatSlashEvent** (page 28), **RestEvent** (page 29), and **SkipEvent** (page 34).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.67 script-event

Music event type **script-event** is in music objects of type **ArticulationEvent** (page 4), **ScriptEvent** (page 30), and **TextScriptEvent** (page 39).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.68 section-event

Music event type **section-event** is in music objects of type **SectionEvent** (page 30).

Accepted by: **Repeat_acknowledge_engraver** (page 338).

1.2.69 section-label-event

Music event type **section-label-event** is in music objects of type **SectionLabelEvent** (page 31).

Accepted by: **Mark_tracking_translator** (page 328).

1.2.70 segno-mark-event

Music event type **segno-mark-event** is in music objects of type **SegnoMarkEvent** (page 31).

Accepted by: **Mark_tracking_translator** (page 328), and **Repeat_acknowledge_engraver** (page 338).

1.2.71 skip-event

Music event type **skip-event** is in music objects of type **SkipEvent** (page 34).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.72 slur-event

Music event type **slur-event** is in music objects of type **SlurEvent** (page 35).

Accepted by: **Slur_engraver** (page 342), and **Slur_performer** (page 342).

1.2.73 solo-one-event

Music event type **solo-one-event** is in music objects of type **SoloOneEvent** (page 35).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.74 solo-two-event

Music event type **solo-two-event** is in music objects of type **SoloTwoEvent** (page 36).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.75 sostenuto-event

Music event type **sostenuto-event** is in music objects of type **SostenutoEvent** (page 36).

Accepted by: **Piano_pedal_engraver** (page 336), and **Piano_pedal_performer** (page 337).

1.2.76 spacing-section-event

Music event type `spacing-section-event` is in music objects of type `SpacingSectionEvent` (page 36).

Accepted by: `Spacing_engraver` (page 342).

1.2.77 span-dynamic-event

Music event type `span-dynamic-event` is in music objects of type `CrescendoEvent` (page 10), and `DecrescendoEvent` (page 11).

Accepted by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316).

1.2.78 span-event

Music event type `span-event` is in music objects of type `BeamEvent` (page 6), `BendSpanEvent` (page 7), `CrescendoEvent` (page 10), `DecrescendoEvent` (page 11), `EpisemaEvent` (page 12), `FingerGlideEvent` (page 14), `LigatureEvent` (page 17), `MeasureCounterEvent` (page 19), `MeasureSpannerEvent` (page 19), `PhrasingSlurEvent` (page 25), `SlurEvent` (page 35), `SostenutoEvent` (page 36), `SpanEvent` (page 37), `StaffSpanEvent` (page 37), `SustainEvent` (page 38), `TextSpanEvent` (page 39), `TremoloSpanEvent` (page 42), `TrillSpanEvent` (page 43), `TupletSpanEvent` (page 43), `UnaCordaEvent` (page 43), and `VoltaSpanEvent` (page 46).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.79 staff-span-event

Music event type `staff-span-event` is in music objects of type `StaffSpanEvent` (page 37).

Accepted by: `Staff_symbol_engraver` (page 344).

1.2.80 StreamEvent

Music event type `StreamEvent` is in music objects of type `AbsoluteDynamicEvent` (page 2), `AdHocJumpEvent` (page 2), `AdHocMarkEvent` (page 2), `AlternativeEvent` (page 3), `AnnotateOutputEvent` (page 3), `ApplyOutputEvent` (page 4), `ArpeggioEvent` (page 4), `ArticulationEvent` (page 4), `BarEvent` (page 5), `BassFigureEvent` (page 6), `BeamEvent` (page 6), `BeamForbidEvent` (page 6), `BendAfterEvent` (page 7), `BendSpanEvent` (page 7), `BreakDynamicSpanEvent` (page 7), `BreathingEvent` (page 8), `ClusterNoteEvent` (page 8), `CodaMarkEvent` (page 8), `CompletizeExtenderEvent` (page 9), `CrescendoEvent` (page 10), `DalSegnoEvent` (page 10), `DecrescendoEvent` (page 11), `DoublePercentEvent` (page 11), `DurationLineEvent` (page 11), `EpisemaEvent` (page 12), `ExtenderEvent` (page 13), `FineEvent` (page 13), `FingerGlideEvent` (page 14), `FingeringEvent` (page 14), `FootnoteEvent` (page 14), `GlissandoEvent` (page 15), `HarmonicEvent` (page 15), `HyphenEvent` (page 16), `KeyChangeEvent` (page 16), `LabelEvent` (page 16), `LaissezVibrerEvent` (page 17), `LigatureEvent` (page 17), `LineBreakEvent` (page 17), `LyricEvent` (page 18), `MeasureCounterEvent` (page 19), `MeasureSpannerEvent` (page 19), `MultiMeasureArticulationEvent` (page 19), `MultiMeasureRestEvent` (page 20), `MultiMeasureTextEvent` (page 20), `NoteEvent` (page 21), `NoteGroupingEvent` (page 22), `OttavaEvent` (page 22), `PageBreakEvent` (page 23), `PageTurnEvent` (page 23), `PercentEvent` (page 24), `PesOrFlexaEvent` (page 25), `PhrasingSlurEvent` (page 25), `RehearsalMarkEvent` (page 27), `RepeatSlashEvent` (page 28), `RepeatTieEvent` (page 29), `RestEvent` (page 29), `ScriptEvent` (page 30), `SectionEvent` (page 30), `SectionLabelEvent` (page 31), `SegnoMarkEvent` (page 31), `SkipEvent` (page 34), `SlurEvent` (page 35), `SoloOneEvent` (page 35), `SoloTwoEvent` (page 36), `SostenutoEvent` (page 36), `SpacingSectionEvent` (page 36), `SpanEvent` (page 37), `StaffSpanEvent` (page 37), `StringNumberEvent` (page 37), `StrokeFingerEvent` (page 38), `SustainEvent` (page 38), `TempoChangeEvent`

(page 38), `TextScriptEvent` (page 39), `TextSpanEvent` (page 39), `TieEvent` (page 39), `TimeSignatureEvent` (page 40), `TremoloEvent` (page 41), `TremoloSpanEvent` (page 42), `TrillSpanEvent` (page 43), `TupletSpanEvent` (page 43), `UnaCordaEvent` (page 43), `UnisonoEvent` (page 45), `VoltaSpanEvent` (page 46), and `VowelTransitionEvent` (page 47).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.81 string-number-event

Music event type `string-number-event` is in music objects of type `StringNumberEvent` (page 37).

Accepted by: `Bend_spanner_engraver` (page 308), `Fretboard_engraver` (page 319), and `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

1.2.82 stroke-finger-event

Music event type `stroke-finger-event` is in music objects of type `StrokeFingerEvent` (page 38).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.83 sustain-event

Music event type `sustain-event` is in music objects of type `SustainEvent` (page 38).

Accepted by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336), and `Piano_pedal_performer` (page 337).

1.2.84 tempo-change-event

Music event type `tempo-change-event` is in music objects of type `TempoChangeEvent` (page 38).

Accepted by: `Metronome_mark_engraver` (page 330).

1.2.85 text-script-event

Music event type `text-script-event` is in music objects of type `TextScriptEvent` (page 39).

Accepted by: `Text_engraver` (page 347).

1.2.86 text-span-event

Music event type `text-span-event` is in music objects of type `TextSpanEvent` (page 39).

Accepted by: `Text_spanner_engraver` (page 347).

1.2.87 tie-event

Music event type `tie-event` is in music objects of type `TieEvent` (page 39).

Accepted by: `Drum_note_performer` (page 314), `Note_performer` (page 333), `Tie_engraver` (page 347), and `Tie_performer` (page 348).

1.2.88 time-signature-event

Music event type `time-signature-event` is in music objects of type `TimeSignatureEvent` (page 40).

Accepted by: `Time_signature_engraver` (page 348), and `Time_signature_performer` (page 348).

1.2.89 tremolo-event

Music event type `tremolo-event` is in music objects of type `TremoloEvent` (page 41).

Accepted by: `Stem_engraver` (page 344).

1.2.90 tremolo-span-event

Music event type **tremolo-span-event** is in music objects of type **TremoloSpanEvent** (page 42).

Accepted by: **Chord_tremolo_engraver** (page 309).

1.2.91 trill-span-event

Music event type **trill-span-event** is in music objects of type **TrillSpanEvent** (page 43).

Accepted by: **Trill_spanner_engraver** (page 350).

1.2.92 tuplet-span-event

Music event type **tuplet-span-event** is in music objects of type **TupletSpanEvent** (page 43).

Accepted by: **Stem_engraver** (page 344), and **Tuplet_engraver** (page 350).

1.2.93 una-corda-event

Music event type **una-corda-event** is in music objects of type **UnaCordaEvent** (page 43).

Accepted by: **Piano_pedal_engraver** (page 336), and **Piano_pedal_performer** (page 337).

1.2.94 unisono-event

Music event type **unisono-event** is in music objects of type **UnisonoEvent** (page 45).

Not accepted by any engraver or performer.

1.2.95 volta-span-event

Music event type **volta-span-event** is in music objects of type **VoltaSpanEvent** (page 46).

Accepted by: **Repeat_acknowledge_engraver** (page 338), and **Volta_engraver** (page 351).

1.2.96 vowel-transition-event

Music event type **vowel-transition-event** is in music objects of type **VowelTransitionEvent** (page 47).

Accepted by: **Hyphen_engraver** (page 322).

1.3 Music properties

absolute-octave (integer)

The absolute octave for an octave check note.

alteration (number)

Alteration for figured bass.

alteration-bracket (boolean)

Put brackets around bass figure alteration.

alternative-dir (direction)

Indicates that an **alternative-event** is the first (-1), middle (0), or last (1) of group of alternate endings.

alternative-number (non-negative, exact integer)

The index of the current **\alternative** element, starting from one.

articulation-type (symbol)

Key for script definitions alist.

- articulations** (list of music objects)
 Articulation events specifically for this note.
- associated-context** (string)
 Name of the context associated with this `\lyricsto` section.
- associated-context-type** (symbol)
 Type of the context associated with this `\lyricsto` section.
- augmented** (boolean)
 This figure is for an augmented figured bass (with + sign).
- augmented-slash** (boolean)
 This figure is for an augmented figured bass (back-slashed number).
- automatically-numbered** (boolean)
 Should a footnote be automatically numbered?
- autosplit-end** (boolean)
 Duration of event was truncated by automatic splitting in `Completion_heads_engraver`.
- bar-type** (string)
 The type of bar line to create, e.g., "|"
- bass** (boolean)
 Set if this note is a bass note in a chord.
- beat-structure** (list)
 A `beatStructure` to be used in autobeamming.
- bracket-start** (boolean)
 Start a bracket here.
 TODO: Use `SpanEvents`?
- bracket-stop** (boolean)
 Stop a bracket here.
- break-penalty** (number)
 Penalty for line break hint.
- break-permission** (symbol)
 Whether to allow, forbid or force a line break.
- cautionary** (boolean)
 If set, this alteration needs a cautionary accidental.
- change-tag** (symbol)
 Tag identifying the musical scope of a context change. The change applies to the nearest enclosing music with this tag.
- change-to-id** (string)
 Name of the context to change to.
- change-to-type** (symbol)
 Type of the context to change to.
- class** (symbol)
 The class name of an event class.
- context** (context)
 The context to which an event is sent.

- context-id** (string)
Name of context.
- context-type** (symbol)
Type of context.
- create-new** (boolean)
Create a fresh context.
- delta-step** (number)
How much should a fall change pitch?
- denominator** (integer)
Denominator in a time signature.
- digit** (non-negative, exact integer)
Digit for fingering.
- diminished** (boolean)
This bass figure should be slashed.
- direction** (direction)
Print this up or down?
- drum-type** (symbol)
Which percussion instrument to play this note on.
- duration** (duration)
Duration of this note or lyric.
- element** (music)
The single child of a Music-wrapper music object, or the body of a repeat.
- elements** (list of music objects)
A list of elements for sequential or simultaneous music, or the alternatives of repeated music.
- elements-callback** (procedure)
Return a list of children, for use by a sequential iterator. Takes a single music parameter.
- error-found** (boolean)
If true, a parsing error was found in this expression.
- figure** (integer)
A bass figure.
- footnote-text** (markup)
Text to appear in a footnote.
- force-accidental** (boolean)
If set, a cautionary accidental should always be printed on this note.
- grob-property** (symbol)
The symbol of the grob property to set.
- grob-property-path** (list)
A list of symbols, locating a nested grob property, e.g., (**beamed-lengths details**).
- grob-value** (any type)
The value of the grob property to set.
- id** (symbol)
The ID of an event.

- input-tag** (any type)
Arbitrary marker to relate input and output.
- inversion** (boolean)
If set, this chord note is inverted.
- iterator-ctor** (procedure)
Function to construct a **music-event-iterator** object for this music.
- label** (non-negative, exact integer)
Sequence number of a mark. 1 is first.
- last-pitch** (pitch)
The last pitch after relativization.
- length** (moment)
The endpoint of this music. This property is unhappily named in that it does not account for any initial grace notes: the full length of the music is **length** minus the start time. A value of **INF-MOMENT** indicates indefinite length.
- length-callback** (procedure)
How to compute the duration of this music. This property can only be defined as initializer in **scm/define-music-types.scm**.
- line-break-permission** (symbol)
When the music is at top-level, whether to allow, forbid or force a line break.
- metronome-count** (number or pair)
How many beats in a minute?
- midi-extra-velocity** (integer)
How much louder or softer should this note be in MIDI output? The default is 0.
- midi-length** (procedure)
Function to determine how long to play a note in MIDI. It should take a moment (the written length of the note) and a context, and return a moment (the length to play the note).
- moment** (moment)
The moment at which an event happens.
- music-cause** (music)
The music object that is the cause of an event.
- name** (symbol)
Name of this music object.
- no-continuation** (boolean)
If set, disallow continuation lines.
- numerator** (integer)
Numerator of a time signature.
- octavation** (integer)
This pitch was octavated by how many octaves? For chord inversions, this is negative.
- once** (boolean)
Apply this operation only during one time step?
- ops** (any type)
The operations to apply during the creation of a context.

- origin** (input location)
Where was this piece of music defined?
- ottava-number** (integer)
The octavation for `\ottava`.
- page-break-permission** (symbol)
When the music is at top-level, whether to allow, forbid or force a page break.
- page-label** (symbol)
The label of a page marker.
- page-marker** (boolean)
If true, and the music expression is found at top-level, a page marker object is instantiated instead of a score.
- page-turn-permission** (symbol)
When the music is at top-level, whether to allow, forbid or force a page turn.
- part-combine-status** (symbol)
Change to what kind of state? Options are `solo1`, `solo2` and `unisono`.
- pitch** (pitch)
The pitch of this note.
- pitch-alist** (list)
A list of pitches jointly forming the scale of a key signature.
- pop-first** (boolean)
Do a revert before we try to do an override on some grob property.
- procedure** (procedure)
The function to run with `\applycontext`. It must take a single argument, being the context.
- property-operations** (list)
Do these operations for instantiating the context.
- property-path** (symbol)
The path of a property.
- quoted-context-id** (string)
The ID of the context to direct quotes to, e.g., `cue`.
- quoted-context-type** (symbol)
The name of the context to direct quotes to, e.g., `Voice`.
- quoted-events** (vector)
A vector of with `moment` and `event-list` entries.
- quoted-music-clef** (string)
The clef of the voice to quote.
- quoted-music-name** (string)
The name of the voice to quote.
- quoted-transposition** (pitch)
The pitch used for the quote, overriding `\transposition`.
- quoted-voice-direction** (direction)
Should the quoted voice be up-stem or down-stem?
- repeat-body-start-moment** (moment)
In a *D.S.* event, the moment of the segno.

- repeat-count** (non-negative, exact integer)
The number of times to perform a `\repeat`.
- return-count** (non-negative, exact integer)
The number of times to perform a *D.S.*
- search-direction** (direction)
Limits the scope of `\context` searches.
- slash-count** (integer)
The number of slashes in a single-beat repeat. If zero, signals a beat containing varying durations.
- span-direction** (direction)
Does this start or stop a spanner?
- span-text** (markup)
The displayed text for dynamic text spanners (e.g., *cresc.*)
- span-type** (symbol)
What kind of dynamic spanner should be created? Options are `'text` and `'hairpin`.
- spanner-id** (index or symbol)
Identifier to distinguish concurrent spanners.
- start-callback** (procedure)
Function to compute the negative length of starting grace notes. This property can only be defined as initializer in `scm/define-music-types.scm`.
- string-number** (integer)
The number of the string in a `StringNumberEvent`.
- symbol** (symbol)
Grob name to perform an override or revert on.
- tags** (list)
List of symbols that for denoting extra details, e.g., `\tag #'part ...` could tag a piece of music as only being active in a part.
- tempo-unit** (duration)
The unit for the metronome count.
- text** (markup)
Markup expression to be printed.
- to-relative-callback** (procedure)
How to transform a piece of music to relative pitches.
- tonic** (pitch)
Base of the scale.
- tremolo-type** (integer)
Speed of tremolo, e.g., 16 for *c4:16*.
- trill-pitch** (pitch)
Pitch of other note of the trill.
- tweaks** (list)
An alist of properties to override in the backend for the grob made of this event.
- type** (symbol)
The type of this music object. Determines iteration in some cases.

types (list)

The types of this music object; determines by what engraver this music expression is processed.

untransposable (boolean)

If set, this music is not transposed.

value (any type)

Assignment value for a translation property.

void (boolean)

If this property is **#t**, then the music expression is to be discarded by the toplevel music handler.

volta-depth (non-negative, exact integer)

The depth in the repeat structure.

volta-numbers (number list)

Volte to which this music applies.

what (symbol)

What to change for auto-change.

FIXME: Naming.

X-offset (number)

Offset of resulting grob; only used for balloon texts.

Y-offset (number)

Offset of resulting grob; only used for balloon texts.

2 Translation

2.1 Contexts

2.1.1 ChoirStaff

Identical to **StaffGroup** except that the contained staves are not connected vertically.

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **SpanBarStub** (page 506), **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), **SystemStartSquare** (page 524), and **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **extra-spacing-width** in **DynamicText** (page 426), to **#f**.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to **#f**.
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **shortInstrumentName** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **shortInstrumentName** to **'()**.
- Set translator property **systemStartDelimiter** to **'SystemStartBracket**.
- Set translator property **topLevelAlignment** to **#f**.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type **Staff** (page 237).

Context **ChoirStaff** can contain **ChoirStaff** (page 65), **ChordNames** (page 67), **Devnull** (page 79), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **Dynamics** (page 96), **FiguredBass** (page 99), **FretBoards** (page 101), **GrandStaff** (page 103), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **Lyrics** (page 157), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **NoteNames** (page 181), **OneStaff** (page 185), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **PianoStaff** (page 207), **RhythmicStaff** (page 210), **Staff** (page 237), **StaffGroup** (page 247), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

`vocalName` (markup)
Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `InstrumentName` (page 445).

`Output_property_engraver` (page 334)
Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.
Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

`Span_arpeggio_engraver` (page 342)
Make arpeggios that span multiple staves.
Properties (read)

`connectArpeggios` (boolean)
If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Span_bar_stub_engraver` (page 343)
Make stubs for span bars in all contexts that the span bars cross.
This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBarStub` (page 506).

`System_start_delimiter_engraver` (page 345)
Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a `SystemStartBar`, `SystemStartBrace`, `SystemStartBracket` or `SystemStartSquare` spanner).
Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)
Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`systemStartDelimiter` (symbol)
Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff?
Set to `SystemStartBrace`, `SystemStartBracket` or `SystemStartBar`.

`systemStartDelimiterHierarchy` (pair)
A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SystemStartBar` (page 522), `SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), and `SystemStartSquare` (page 524).

`Vertical_align_engraver` (page 351)
Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.
Properties (read)

`alignAboveContext` (string)
Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

`alignBelowContext` (string)
Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)
True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VerticalAlignment` (page 544).

2.1.2 ChordNames

Typesets chord names.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **ChordName** (page 399), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **font-size** in **Parentheses** (page 484), to 1.5.
- Set grob property **nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing.padding** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to 0.5.
- Set grob property **nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing.padding** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to 0.5.
- Set grob property **remove-empty** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to **#t**.
- Set grob property **remove-first** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to **#t**.
- Set grob property **staff-affinity** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to -1.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context’s **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Chord_name_engraver (page 309)

Catch note and rest events and generate the appropriate chordname.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

chordChanges (boolean)

Only show changes in chords scheme?

chordNameExceptions (list)

An alist of chord exceptions. Contains (*chord . markup*) entries.

chordNameExceptions (list)

An alist of chord exceptions. Contains (*chord . markup*) entries.

chordNameFunction (procedure)

The function that converts lists of pitches to chord names.

chordNoteNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for single pitches.

chordRootNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for chords.

lastChord (markup)

Last chord, used for detecting chord changes.

majorSevenSymbol (markup)

How should the major 7th be formatted in a chord name?

noChordSymbol (markup)

Markup to be displayed for rests in a ChordNames context.

Properties (write)

lastChord (markup)

Last chord, used for detecting chord changes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ChordName** (page 399).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

2.1.3 CueVoice

Corresponds to a voice on a staff. This context handles the conversion of dynamic signs, stems, beams, super- and subscripts, slurs, ties, and rests.

You have to instantiate this explicitly if you want to have multiple voices on the same staff.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Fingering** (page 432), **Flag** (page 434), **Glissando** (page 438), **Hairpin** (page 441), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **LigatureBracket** (page 459), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479), **NoteSpacing** (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **Slur** (page 500), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **TrillPitchHead** (page 536), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), and **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **beam-thickness** in **Beam** (page 388), to 0.35.
- Set grob property **beam-thickness** in **StemTremolo** (page 514), to 0.35.
- Set grob property **ignore-ambitus** in **NoteHead** (page 479), to #t.
- Set grob property **length-fraction** in **Beam** (page 388), to 0.629960524947437.
- Set grob property **length-fraction** in **Stem** (page 512), to 0.629960524947437.
- Set translator property **fontSize** to -4.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: **arpeggio-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, **beamExceptions**, **measureLength**, and **measurePosition** to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

- baseMoment** (moment)
Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.
- beamExceptions** (list)
An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.
- beamHalfMeasure** (boolean)
Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.
- beatStructure** (list)
List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.
- subdivideBeams** (boolean)
If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

- baseMoment** (moment)
Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.
- beamMelismaBusy** (boolean)
Signal if a beam is present.
- beatStructure** (list)
List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.
- subdivideBeams** (boolean)
If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

- forbidBreak** (boolean)
If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘cresc.’.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘dim.’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '() will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or **\noBeam** will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property **'autoBeaming'** to **##f**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Ligature_bracket_engraver (page 326)

Handle **Ligature_events** by engraving **Ligature** brackets.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LigatureBracket** (page 459).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

MultiMeasureRest (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

fingeringOrientations (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

harmonicDots (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

stringNumberOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

strokeFingerOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432), **Script** (page 495), **StringNumber** (page 515), and **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

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Silently discards all musical information given to this context.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237), and **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): none.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

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Handles typesetting for percussion.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **TimeSignature** (page 532), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **staff-padding** in **Script** (page 495), to 0.75.
- Set translator property **clefGlyph** to "clefs.percussion".
- Set translator property **clefPosition** to 0.
- Set translator property **createSpacing** to #t.
- Set translator property **ignoreFiguredBassRest** to #f.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to '().
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to '().
- Set translator property **ottavationMarkups** to:


```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property **shortInstrumentName** to '().

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type **DrumVoice** (page 86).

Context **DrumStaff** can contain **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), and **NullVoice** (page 183).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context’s **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)
Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)
‘break-visibility’ function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)
Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)
Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)
Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)
Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)
Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)
‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)
The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

BassFigureAlignmentPositioning (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`SostenutoPedalLineSpanner` (page 503), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), and `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543).

`Pure_from_neighbor_engraver` (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

`Rest_collision_engraver` (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `RestCollision` (page 494).

`Script_row_engraver` (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptRow` (page 496).

`Separating_line_group_engraver` (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

`createSpacing` (boolean)

Create `StaffSpacing` objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

`hasStaffSpacing` (boolean)

True if the current `CommandColumn` contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSpacing` (page 510).

`Skip_typesetting_engraver` (page 341)

Create a `StaffEllipsis` when `skipTypesetting` is used.

Properties (read)

`skipTypesetting` (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffEllipsis` (page 507).

`Staff_collecting_engraver` (page 343)

Maintain the `stavesFound` variable.

Properties (read)

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

`Staff_symbol_engraver` (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: `staff-span-event` (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSymbol` (page 510).

`Time_signature_engraver` (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [`TimeSignature`], page 532, whenever `timeSignatureFraction` changes.

Music types accepted: `time-signature-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`initialTimeSignatureVisibility` (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

`partialBusy` (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

`timeSignatureFraction` (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TimeSignature` (page 532).

2.1.6 DrumVoice

A voice on a percussion staff.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): `Voice` (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388), `BendAfter` (page 390), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `CombineTextScript` (page 407), `Dots` (page 419), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425), `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430), `Flag` (page 434), `Hairpin` (page 441), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456), `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `NoteColumn` (page 478), `NoteHead` (page 479), `NoteSpacing` (page 481), `PercentRepeat` (page 484), `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485), `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), `RepeatSlash` (page 491), `RepeatTie` (page 492), `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493), `Rest` (page 493), `Script` (page 495), `ScriptColumn` (page 496), `Slur` (page 500), `Stem` (page 512), `StemStub` (page 514), `StemTremolo` (page 514), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), and `TupletNumber` (page 541).

This is a 'Bottom' context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Auto_beam_engraver` (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses `baseMoment`, `beatStructure`, `beamExceptions`, `measureLength`, and

measurePosition to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Drum_notes_engraver (page 314)

Generate drum note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

drumStyleTable (hash table)

A hash table which maps drums to layout settings. Predefined values: **'drums-style'**, **'agostini-drums-style'**, **'weinberg-drums-style'**, **'timbales-style'**, **'congas-style'**, **'bongos-style'**, and **'percussion-style'**.

The layout style is a hash table, containing the drum-pitches (e.g., the symbol **'hihat'**) as keys, and a list (*notehead-style script vertical-position*) as values.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479), and **Script** (page 495).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are ‘**hairpin**’ and ‘**text**’. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘**cresc.**’.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘**hairpin**’ and ‘**text**’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘**dim.**’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or **\noBeam** will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property 'autoBeaming' to **##f**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with 'R'. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

- `currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)
Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.
- `internalBarNumber` (integer)
Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the `Accidental_engraver`.
- `measureStartNow` (boolean)
True at the beginning of a measure.
- `restNumberThreshold` (number)
If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), and `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475).

`Note_spacing_engraver` (page 333)

Generate `NoteSpacing`, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteSpacing` (page 481).

`Output_property_engraver` (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

`Part_combine_engraver` (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53), and `part-combine-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

- `aDueText` (markup)
Text to print at a unisono passage.
- `partCombineTextsOnNote` (boolean)
Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.
- `printPartCombineTexts` (boolean)
Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?
- `soloIIIText` (markup)
The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.
- `soloText` (markup)
The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `CombineTextScript` (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

`whichBar` (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line.
Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use
`\bar` or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Flag` (page 434), `Stem` (page 512), `StemStub` (page 514), and `StemTremolo` (page 514).

`Text_engraver` (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: `text-script-event` (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextScript` (page 527).

`Text_spanner_engraver` (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: `text-span-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextSpanner` (page 529).

`Tie_engraver` (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: `tie-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`skipTypesetting` (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

`tieWaitForNote` (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

`tieMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Tie` (page 530), and `TieColumn` (page 532).

`Trill_spanner_engraver` (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: `trill-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

2.1.7 Dynamics

Holds a single line of dynamics, which will be centered between the staves surrounding this context.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237), and **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Hairpin** (page 441), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **Script** (page 495), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **font-shape** in **TextScript** (page 527), to **'italic**.
- Set grob property **nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to:
'((basic-distance . 5) (padding . 0.5))
- Set grob property **outside-staff-priority** in **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **outside-staff-priority** in **DynamicText** (page 426), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **outside-staff-priority** in **Hairpin** (page 441), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **staff-affinity** in **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), to **0**.
- Set grob property **Y-offset** in **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), to **0**.
- Set translator property **pedalSustainStrings** to:
'("Ped." "*Ped." "*")
- Set translator property **pedalUnaCordaStrings** to:
'("una corda" "" "tre corde")

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

`crescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘`cresc.`’.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`decrescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘`hairpin`’ and ‘`text`’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

`decrescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘`dim.`’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), and `Hairpin` (page 441).

`Font_size_engraver` (page 318)

Put `fontSize` into `font-size` grob property.

Properties (read)

`fontSize` (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

`Output_property_engraver` (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

`Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: `sostenuto-event` (page 55), `sustain-event` (page 57), and `una-corda-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`pedalSostenutoStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalSostenutoStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

`pedalSustainStrings` (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

`pedalSustainStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: `text`, `bracket` or `mixed` (both).

`pedalUnaCordaStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalUnaCordaStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SustainPedal` (page 518), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

`Script_engraver` (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: `articulation-event` (page 48),

Properties (read)

`scriptDefinitions` (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the `Script_engraver` for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See `scm/script.scm` for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Script` (page 495).

`Text_engraver` (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: `text-script-event` (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextScript` (page 527).

`Text_spanner_engraver` (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: `text-span-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextSpanner` (page 529).

2.1.8 FiguredBass

A context for printing a figured bass line.

This context creates the following layout object(s): `BassFigure` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignment` (page 385), `BassFigureBracket` (page 387), `BassFigureContinuation` (page 387), `BassFigureLine` (page 388), `StaffSpacing` (page 510), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing.padding` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 0.5.
- Set grob property `nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing.padding` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 0.5.
- Set grob property `remove-empty` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `remove-first` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `staff-affinity` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 1.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

2.1.9 FretBoards

A context for displaying fret diagrams.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **FretBoard** (page 436), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property **handleNegativeFrets** to 'recalculate'.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to '()'.
- Set translator property **predefinedDiagramTable** to #<hash-table 0/113>.
- Set translator property **restrainOpenStrings** to #f.
- Set translator property **shortInstrumentName** to '()'.

This is a 'Bottom' context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Fretboard_engraver (page 319)

Generate fret diagram from one or more events of type **NoteEvent**.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51), **note-event** (page 53), and **string-number-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

chordChanges (boolean)

Only show changes in chords scheme?

defaultStrings (list)

A list of strings to use in calculating frets for tablatures and fretboards if no strings are provided in the notes for the current moment.

highStringOne (boolean)

Whether the first string is the string with highest pitch on the instrument. This used by the automatic string selector for tablature notation.

maximumFretStretch (number)

Don't allocate frets further than this from specified frets.

minimumFret (number)

The tablature auto string-selecting mechanism selects the highest string with a fret at least **minimumFret**.

noteToFretFunction (procedure)

Convert list of notes and list of defined strings to full list of strings and fret numbers. Parameters: The context, a list of note events, a list of tabstring events, and the fretboard grob if a fretboard is desired.

predefinedDiagramTable (hash table)

The hash table of predefined fret diagrams to use in Fret-Boards.

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

tablatureFormat (procedure)

A function formatting a tablature note head. Called with three arguments: context, string number and, fret number. It returns the text as a markup.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FretBoard** (page 436).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)
See instrumentName.

<code>shortVocalName</code> (markup)	Name of a vocal line, short version.
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vocalName (markup)	Name of a vocal line.
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This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName**
(page 445).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)
 Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.
 Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)
Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.
Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)
Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)	
<code>hasStaffSpacing</code> (boolean)	True if the current <code>CommandColumn</code> contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing**
(page 510).

2.1.10 Global

Hard coded entry point for LilyPond. Cannot be tuned.

This context creates the following layout object(s): none.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type **Score** (page 213).

Context Global can contain Score (page 213).

2.1.11 GrandStaff

Groups staves while adding a bracket on the left side, grouping the staves together. The bar lines of the contained staves are connected vertically. **StaffGroup** only consists of a collection of staves, with a bracket in front and spanning bar lines.

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377), `InstrumentName` (page 445), `SpanBar` (page 505), `SpanBarStub` (page 506), `SystemStartBar` (page 522), `SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), `SystemStartSquare` (page 524), and `VerticalAlignment` (page 544).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `extra-spacing-width` in `DynamicText` (page 426), to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.

- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to `'SystemStartBrace`.
- Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to `'SystemStartBracket`.
- Set translator property `topLevelAlignment` to `#f`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `Staff` (page 237).

Context `GrandStaff` can contain `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `ChordNames` (page 67), `Devnull` (page 79), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `Dynamics` (page 96), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `OneStaff` (page 185), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `PianoStaff` (page 207), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `StaffGroup` (page 247), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`instrumentName` (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The `instrumentName` property labels the staff in the first system, and the `shortInstrumentName` property labels following lines.

`shortInstrumentName` (markup)

See `instrumentName`.

`shortVocalName` (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

`vocalName` (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `InstrumentName` (page 445).

`Output_property_engraver` (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

`Span_arpeggio_engraver` (page 342)

Make arpeggios that span multiple staves.

Properties (read)

`connectArpeggios` (boolean)

If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Span_bar_engraver` (page 343)

Make cross-staff bar lines: It catches all normal bar lines and draws a single span bar across them.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBar` (page 505).

Span_bar_stub_engraver (page 343)

Make stubs for span bars in all contexts that the span bars cross.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SpanBarStub** (page 506).

System_start_delimiter_engraver (page 345)

Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a **SystemStartBar**, **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartSquare** spanner).

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

systemStartDelimiter (symbol)

Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff?
Set to **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartBar**.

systemStartDelimiterHierarchy (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), and **SystemStartSquare** (page 524).

Vertical_align_engraver (page 351)

Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.

Properties (read)

alignAboveContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alignBelowContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

2.1.12 GregorianTranscriptionStaff

An internal **Staff** type with settings shared by multiple ancient notation schemes.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket**

(page 488), `RestCollision` (page 494), `ScriptRow` (page 496), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SostenutoPedalLineSpanner` (page 503), `StaffEllipsis` (page 507), `StaffSpacing` (page 510), `StaffSymbol` (page 510), `SustainPedal` (page 518), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), `TimeSignature` (page 532), `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `doubleRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `endRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"`.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:


```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
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- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `startRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115).

Context `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), and `NullVoice` (page 183).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Accidental_engraver (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at Staff level, but reads the settings for Accidental at Voice level, so you can `\override` them at Voice.

Properties (read)

accidentalGrouping (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

autoAccidentals (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (*#t* . *#f*) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter barnumber . measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain *((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))* pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)
 Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
 Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)
 ‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)
 The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)
 Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)
 Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)
 A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)
 Don’t swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)
 A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)
 Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

‘break-visibility’ function for explicit key changes.

‘\override’ of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (*step* . *alter*), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact ratios for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalSostenutoStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

`pedalSustainStrings` (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

`pedalSustainStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: `text`, `bracket` or `mixed` (both).

`pedalUnaCordaStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalUnaCordaStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SustainPedal` (page 518), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

`Pure_from_neighbor_engraver` (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

`Rest_collision_engraver` (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `RestCollision` (page 494).

`Script_row_engraver` (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptRow` (page 496).

`Separating_line_group_engraver` (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

`createSpacing` (boolean)

Create `StaffSpacing` objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

`hasStaffSpacing` (boolean)

True if the current `CommandColumn` contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSpacing` (page 510).

`Skip_typesetting_engraver` (page 341)

Create a `StaffEllipsis` when `skipTypesetting` is used.

Properties (read)

`skipTypesetting` (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.13 GregorianTranscriptionVoice

Corresponds to a voice on a staff. This context handles the conversion of dynamic signs, stems, beams, super- and subscripts, slurs, ties, and rests.

You have to instantiate this explicitly if you want to have multiple voices on the same staff.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Episema** (page 429), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Fingering** (page 432), **Flag** (page 434), **Glissando** (page 438), **Hairpin** (page 441), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **LigatureBracket** (page 459), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479),

NoteSpacing (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **Slur** (page 500), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **TrillPitchHead** (page 536), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), and **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **padding** in **Script** (page 495), to 0.5.
- Set grob property **transparent** in **LigatureBracket** (page 459), to #t.
- Set translator property **autoBeaming** to #f.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: **arpeggio-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, **beamExceptions**, **measureLength**, and **measurePosition** to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., **'cresc.'**

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., **'dim.'**

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Episema_engraver (page 317)

Create an *Editio Vaticana*-style episema line.

Music types accepted: **episema-event** (page 50),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Episema** (page 429).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (source_n . target_n)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '()' will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n))', where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or `\noBeam` will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property `'autoBeaming'` to `##f`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle `Beam` events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: `beam-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beamMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

`beatStructure` (list)

List of `baseMoments` that are combined to make beats.

`subdivideBeams` (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at `baseMoment` positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

`graceSettings` (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the `add-grace-property` function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Ligature_bracket_engraver (page 326)

Handle **Ligature_events** by engraving **Ligature** brackets.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LigatureBracket** (page 459).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

MultiMeasureRest (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

fingeringOrientations (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

harmonicDots (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

stringNumberOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

strokeFingerOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432), **Script** (page 495), **StringNumber** (page 515), and **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

2.1.14 InternalGregorianStaff

An internal **Staff** type with settings shared by multiple ancient notation schemes.

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507),

`StaffSpacing` (page 510), `StaffSymbol` (page 510), `SustainPedal` (page 518), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), `TimeSignature` (page 532), `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `doubleRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `endRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"`.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `startRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

Context `InternalGregorianStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), and `NullVoice` (page 183).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at `Staff` level, but reads the settings for `Accidental` at `Voice` level, so you can `\override` them at `Voice`.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

`autoAccidentals` (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied.

For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (**#t** . **#f**) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter* *barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain *((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))* pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)
 Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
 Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)
 ‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)
 The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)
 Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)
 Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)
 A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)
 Don’t swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)
 A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)
 Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

‘break-visibility’ function for explicit key changes.

‘\override’ of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (*step* . *alter*), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalSostenutoStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

pedalSustainStrings (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

pedalSustainStyle (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: **text**, **bracket** or **mixed** (both).

pedalUnaCordaStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalUnaCordaStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Rest_collision_engraver (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [**TimeSignature**], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.15 KievanStaff

Same as **Staff** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in Kievan style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner**

(page 519), `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property `autoAccidentals` to:

```
'(Staff #<procedure #f (context pitch barnum)>
  #<procedure neo-modern-accidental-rule (context pitch barnum)>)
```
- Set translator property `autoCautionaries` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `clefGlyph` to `"clefs.kievan.do"`.
- Set translator property `clefPosition` to 0.
- Set translator property `clefTransposition` to 0.
- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `extraNatural` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"k"`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `""`.
- Set translator property `middleCClefPosition` to 0.
- Set translator property `middleCPosition` to 0.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `printKeyCancellation` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"|"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `KievanVoice` (page 146).

Context `KievanStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `KievanVoice` (page 146), and `NullVoice` (page 183).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at `Staff` level, but reads the settings for `Accidental` at `Voice` level, so you can `\override` them at `Voice`.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

autoAccidentals (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (**#t . #f**) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step . alter*) or ((*octave . step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain `((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))` pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain `((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))` pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line.
Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use
`\bar` or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured
in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are
common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the **ClefModifier** grob is displayed.
Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and
'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active
for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full
staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and
ClefModifier (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a
NoteCollision object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision**
(page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are
common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

BassFigureAlignmentPositioning (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for explicit key changes.

'\override' of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (**step . alter**), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (**step . alter**) or ((**octave . step**) . **alter**), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (**step . alter**) or ((**octave . step**) . **alter**), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalSostenutoStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.**pedalSustainStrings** (list)A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up updown down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.**pedalSustainStyle** (symbol)A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: *text*, *bracket* or *mixed* (both).**pedalUnaCordaStrings** (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalUnaCordaStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Rest_collision_engraver (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).**Separating_line_group_engraver** (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

2.1.16 KievanVoice

Same as **Voice** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in Kievan style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Fingering** (page 432), **Flag** (page 434), **Glissando** (page 438), **Hairpin** (page 441), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **KievanLigature** (page 454), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479), **NoteSpacing** (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **Slur** (page 500), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **TrillPitchHead** (page 536), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), and **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `duration-log` in `NoteHead` (page 479), to `note-head::calc-kievan-duration-log`.
- Set grob property `length` in `Stem` (page 512), to 0.0.
- Set grob property `positions` in `Beam` (page 388), to `beam::get-kievan-positions`.
- Set grob property `quantized-positions` in `Beam` (page 388), to `beam::get-kievan-quantized-positions`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Flag` (page 434), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Slur` (page 500), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Stem` (page 512), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `style` in `Dots` (page 419), to 'kievan'.
- Set grob property `style` in `NoteHead` (page 479), to 'kievan'.
- Set grob property `style` in `Rest` (page 493), to 'mensural'.
- Set grob property `X-offset` in `Stem` (page 512), to `stem::kievan-offset-callback`.
- Set translator property `alterationGlyphs` to:
`'((-1/2 . "accidentals.kievanM1")`
`(1/2 . "accidentals.kievan1"))`
- Set translator property `autoBeaming` to `#f`.

This is a 'Bottom' context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: `arpeggio-event` (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses `baseMoment`, `beatStructure`, `beamExceptions`, `measureLength`, and `measurePosition` to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [`Stem_engraver`], page 344, properties `stemLeftBeamCount` and `stemRightBeamCount`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., **'cresc.'**

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘dim.’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of ‘((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value ‘() will default to ‘((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or `\noBeam` will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property `'autoBeaming'` to `##f`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle `Beam` events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: `beam-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beamMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

`beatStructure` (list)

List of `baseMoments` that are combined to make beats.

`subdivideBeams` (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at `baseMoment` positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

`graceSettings` (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the `add-grace-property` function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Kievan_ligature_engraver (page 326)

Handle **Kievan_ligature_events** by glueing Kievan heads together.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KievanLigature** (page 454).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

MultiMeasureRest (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

fingeringOrientations (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

harmonicDots (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

stringNumberOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

strokeFingerOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432), **Script** (page 495), **StringNumber** (page 515), and **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

2.1.17 Lyrics

Corresponds to a voice with lyrics. Handles the printing of a single line of lyrics.

This context creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445), **LyricExtender** (page 460), **LyricHyphen** (page 461), **LyricSpace** (page 462), **LyricText** (page 462), **StanzaNumber** (page 511), **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), and **VowelTransition** (page 550).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **bar-extent** in **BarLine** (page 380), to:
'(-0.05 . 0.05)
- Set grob property **font-size** in **InstrumentName** (page 445), to 1.0.

- Set grob property `nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to:

```
'((basic-distance . 0)
  (minimum-distance . 2.8)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (stretchability . 0))
```
- Set grob property `nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to:

```
'((basic-distance . 5.5)
  (padding . 0.5)
  (stretchability . 1))
```
- Set grob property `nonstaff-unrelatedstaff-spacing.padding` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 1.5.
- Set grob property `remove-empty` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `remove-first` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `self-alignment-Y` in `InstrumentName` (page 445), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `staff-affinity` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 1.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `searchForVoice` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a `VerticalAxisGroup` spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with `remove-empty` set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

Extender_engraver (page 317)

Create lyric extenders.

Music types accepted: `completize-extender-event` (page 50), and `extender-event` (page 50),

Properties (read)

extendersOverRests (boolean)

Whether to continue extenders as they cross a rest.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LyricExtender** (page 460).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Hyphen_engraver (page 322)

Create lyric hyphens, vowel transitions and distance constraints between words.

Music types accepted: **hyphen-event** (page 51), and **vowel-transition-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LyricHyphen** (page 461), **LyricSpace** (page 462), and **VowelTransition** (page 550).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Lyric_engraver (page 326)

Engrave text for lyrics.

Music types accepted: **lyric-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

ignoreMelismata (boolean)

Ignore melismata for this Section “Lyrics” in *Internals Reference* line.

lyricMelismaAlignment (number)

Alignment to use for a melisma syllable.

searchForVoice (boolean)

Signal whether a search should be made of all contexts in the context hierarchy for a voice to provide rhythms for the lyrics.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LyricText** (page 462).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Stanza_number_engraver (page 344)

Engrave stanza numbers.

Properties (read)

stanza (markup)

Stanza ‘number’ to print before the start of a verse. Use in **Lyrics** context.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StanzaNumber** (page 511).

2.1.18 MensuralStaff

Same as **Staff** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in mensural style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **Custos** (page 416), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **TimeSignature** (page 532), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **hair-thickness** in **BarLine** (page 380), to 0.6.
- Set grob property **neutral-direction** in **Custos** (page 416), to -1.
- Set grob property **neutral-position** in **Custos** (page 416), to 3.
- Set grob property **style** in **Custos** (page 416), to 'mensural'.
- Set grob property **style** in **TimeSignature** (page 532), to 'mensural'.
- Set grob property **thick-thickness** in **BarLine** (page 380), to 1.8.
- Set grob property **thickness** in **StaffSymbol** (page 510), to 0.6.
- Set translator property **alterationGlyphs** to:

```
'((-1/2 . "accidentals.mensuralM1")
  (0 . "accidentals.vaticana0")
  (1/2 . "accidentals.mensural1"))'
```
- Set translator property **autoAccidentals** to:

```
'(Staff #<procedure #f (context pitch barnum)>)'
```
- Set translator property **autoCautionaries** to '()'.
- Set translator property **clefGlyph** to "clefs.mensural.g".
- Set translator property **clefPosition** to -2.

- Set translator property `clefTransposition` to 0.
- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `doubleRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `endRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `extraNatural` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"`.
- Set translator property `middleCClefPosition` to -6.
- Set translator property `middleCPosition` to -6.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `printKeyCancellation` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `startRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `MensuralVoice` (page 170).

Context `MensuralStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), and `NullVoice` (page 183).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at Staff level, but reads the settings for `Accidental` at `Voice` level, so you can `\override` them at `Voice`.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

`autoAccidentals` (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (*#t* . *#f*) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to *autoAccidentals*, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the *Accidental_engraver*.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. *keyAlterations* = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for *keyAlterations*, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter barnumber . measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain *((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))* pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)
 Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
 Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)
 ‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)
 The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Custos_engraver (page 313)

Engrave custodes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Custos** (page 416).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)
 Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)
 Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)
 A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)
 Don’t swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)
 A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)
 Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

BassFigureAlignmentPositioning (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for explicit key changes.

'\override' of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (**step** . **alter**), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalSostenutoStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.**pedalSustainStrings** (list)A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up updown down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.**pedalSustainStyle** (symbol)A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: *text*, *bracket* or *mixed* (both).**pedalUnaCordaStrings** (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalUnaCordaStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Rest_collision_engraver (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).**Separating_line_group_engraver** (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.19 MensuralVoice

Same as **Voice** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in mensural style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Dots**

(page 419), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425), `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430), `Fingering` (page 432), `Flag` (page 434), `Glissando` (page 438), `Hairpin` (page 441), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456), `MensuralLigature` (page 468), `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `NoteColumn` (page 478), `NoteHead` (page 479), `NoteSpacing` (page 481), `PercentRepeat` (page 484), `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485), `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), `RepeatSlash` (page 491), `RepeatTie` (page 492), `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493), `Rest` (page 493), `Script` (page 495), `ScriptColumn` (page 496), `Stem` (page 512), `StemStub` (page 514), `StemTremolo` (page 514), `StringNumber` (page 515), `StrokeFinger` (page 517), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), `TupletNumber` (page 541), and `VoiceFollower` (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `style` in `Flag` (page 434), to `'mensural'`.
- Set grob property `style` in `NoteHead` (page 479), to `'mensural'`.
- Set grob property `style` in `Rest` (page 493), to `'mensural'`.
- Set translator property `autoBeaming` to `#f`.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Arpeggio_engraver` (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: `arpeggio-event` (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Auto_beam_engraver` (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses `baseMoment`, `beatStructure`, `beamExceptions`, `measureLength`, and `measurePosition` to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [`Stem_engraver`], page 344, properties `stemLeftBeamCount` and `stemRightBeamCount`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beamExceptions` (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

`beamHalfMeasure` (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., **'cresc.'**

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘dim.’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of ‘((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value ‘() will default to ‘((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or `\noBeam` will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property `'autoBeaming'` to `##f`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle `Beam` events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: `beam-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beamMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

`beatStructure` (list)

List of `baseMoments` that are combined to make beats.

`subdivideBeams` (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at `baseMoment` positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

`graceSettings` (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the `add-grace-property` function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (`end-moment . grob`) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Mensural_ligature_engraver (page 329)

Handle **Mensural_ligature_events** by glueing special ligature heads together.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **MensuralLigature** (page 468).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

MultiMeasureRest (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

fingeringOrientations (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

harmonicDots (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

stringNumberOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

strokeFingerOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432), **Script** (page 495), **StringNumber** (page 515), and **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: `trill-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TrillSpanner` (page 538).

`Tuplet_engraver` (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: `tuplet-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`tupletFullLength` (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

`tupletFullLengthNote` (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TupletBracket` (page 539), and `TupletNumber` (page 541).

2.1.20 NoteNames

A context for printing the names of notes.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): `Staff` (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): `NoteName` (page 480), `StaffSpacing` (page 510), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to:

```
'((basic-distance . 0)
 (minimum-distance . 2.8)
 (padding . 0.2)
 (stretchability . 0))
```
- Set grob property `nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to:

```
'((basic-distance . 5.5)
 (padding . 0.5)
 (stretchability . 1))
```
- Set grob property `nonstaff-unrelatedstaff-spacing.padding` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 1.5.
- Set grob property `staff-affinity` in `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), to 1.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the `glyph-name-alist` of all grobs having the `accidental-switch-interface` to the value of the context's `alterationGlyphs` property, when defined.

Properties (read)

`alterationGlyphs` (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., $-1/2$ for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a `VerticalAxisGroup` spanner.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

`keepAliveInterfaces` (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with `remove-empty` set around for.

Properties (write)

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

Note_name_engraver (page 333)

Print pitches as words.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

Properties (read)

`noteNameFunction` (procedure)

Function used to convert pitches into strings and markups.

`noteNameSeparator` (string)

String used to separate simultaneous `NoteName` objects.

`printAccidentalNames` (boolean or symbol)

Print accidentals in the `NoteNames` context.

`printNotesLanguage` (string)

Use a specific language in the `NoteNames` context.

`printOctaveNames` (boolean or symbol)

Print octave marks in the `NoteNames` context.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteName` (page 480).

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

2.1.21 NullVoice

For aligning lyrics without printing notes

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237), and **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388), **NoteHead** (page 479), **Slur** (page 500), **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **no-ledgers** in **NoteHead** (page 479), to **#t**.
- Set grob property **stencil** in **Beam** (page 388), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **stencil** in **NoteHead** (page 479), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **stencil** in **Slur** (page 500), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **stencil** in **Tie** (page 530), to **#f**.
- Set grob property **X-extent** in **NoteHead** (page 479), to **#<procedure #f (g)>**.
- Set translator property **nullAccidentals** to **#t**.
- Set translator property **squashedPosition** to 0.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Pitch_squash_engraver (page 337)

Set the vertical position of note heads to **squashedPosition**, if that property is set. This can be used to make a single-line staff demonstrating the rhythm of a melody.

Properties (read)

squashedPosition (integer)

Vertical position of squashing for Section
“Pitch_squash_engraver” in *Internals Reference*.

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

2.1.22 OneStaff

Provides a common axis for the contained staves, making all of them appear in the same vertical space. This can be useful for typesetting staves of different types in immediate succession or for temporarily changing the character of one staff or overlaying it with a different one. Often used with **\stopStaff** and **\startStaff** for best results.

This context creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type **Staff** (page 237).

Context **OneStaff** can contain **ChordNames** (page 67), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **Dynamics** (page 96), **FiguredBass** (page 99), **FretBoards** (page 101), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff**

(page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Axis_group_engraver` (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a `VerticalAxisGroup` spanner.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

`keepAliveInterfaces` (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with `remove-empty` set around for.

Properties (write)

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

2.1.23 PetrucciStaff

Same as `Staff` context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in Petrucci style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): `Staff` (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Accidental` (page 369), `AccidentalCautionary` (page 370), `AccidentalPlacement` (page 371), `AccidentalSuggestion` (page 372), `BarLine` (page 380), `BassFigure` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignment` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` (page 386), `BassFigureBracket` (page 387), `BassFigureContinuation` (page 387), `BassFigureLine` (page 388), `Clef` (page 400), `ClefModifier` (page 403), `CueClef` (page 411), `CueEndClef` (page 414), `Custos` (page 416), `DotColumn` (page 418), `FingeringColumn` (page 434), `InstrumentName` (page 445), `KeyCancellation` (page 449), `KeySignature` (page 451), `LedgerLineSpanner` (page 456), `NoteCollision` (page 477), `OttavaBracket` (page 481), `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `RestCollision` (page 494), `ScriptRow` (page 496), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SostenutoPedalLineSpanner` (page 503), `StaffEllipsis` (page 507), `StaffSpacing` (page 510), `StaffSymbol` (page 510), `SustainPedal` (page 518), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), `TimeSignature` (page 532), `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `bar-extent` in `BarLine` (page 380), to:
'(-2.5 . 2.5)
- Set grob property `hair-thickness` in `BarLine` (page 380), to 2.21.
- Set grob property `kern` in `BarLine` (page 380), to 2.9.
- Set grob property `neutral-direction` in `Custos` (page 416), to -1.
- Set grob property `neutral-position` in `Custos` (page 416), to 3.
- Set grob property `rounded` in `BarLine` (page 380), to #t.

- Set grob property `style` in `Custos` (page 416), to `'mensural`.
- Set grob property `thick-thickness` in `BarLine` (page 380), to `2.9`.
- Set grob property `thickness` in `StaffSymbol` (page 510), to `1.3`.
- Set translator property `autoAccidentals` to:

```
'(Staff #<procedure #f (context pitch barnum)>
  #<procedure neo-modern-accidental-rule (context pitch barnum)>)
```
- Set translator property `autoCautionaries` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `clefGlyph` to `"clefs.petrucchi.g"`.
- Set translator property `clefPosition` to `-2`.
- Set translator property `clefTransposition` to `0`.
- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `extraNatural` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"|."`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"`.
- Set translator property `middleCClefPosition` to `-6`.
- Set translator property `middleCPosition` to `-6`.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `printKeyCancellation` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.

This is not a 'Bottom' context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197).

Context `PetrucchiStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `NullVoice` (page 183), and `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at `Staff` level, but reads the settings for `Accidental` at `Voice` level, so you can `\override` them at `Voice`.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

autoAccidentals (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (**#t . #f**) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step . alter*) or ((*octave . step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain `((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))` pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain `((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))` pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., $-1/2$ for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line.
Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use
`\bar` or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured
in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are
common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the **ClefModifier** grob is displayed.
Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and
'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active
for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full
staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and
ClefModifier (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a
NoteCollision object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision**
(page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are
common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Custos_engraver (page 313)

Engrave custodes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Custos** (page 416).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BassFigure` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignment` (page 385), `BassFigureBracket` (page 387), `BassFigureContinuation` (page 387), and `BassFigureLine` (page 388).

`Figured_bass_position_engraver` (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` (page 386).

`Fingering_column_engraver` (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `FingeringColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `FingeringColumn` (page 434).

`Font_size_engraver` (page 318)

Put `fontSize` into `font-size` grob property.

Properties (read)

`fontSize` (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

`Grob_pq_engraver` (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

`Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`instrumentName` (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The `instrumentName` property labels the staff in the first system, and the `shortInstrumentName` property labels following lines.

`shortInstrumentName` (markup)

See `instrumentName`.

`shortVocalName` (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)
Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)
Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)
'break-visibility' function for explicit key changes.
'\override' of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)
Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)
A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (*step* . *alter*), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)
The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))`.

lastKeyAlterations (list)
Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)
The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)
Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)
The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))`.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalSostenutoStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

pedalSustainStrings (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

pedalSustainStyle (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: **text**, **bracket** or **mixed** (both).

pedalUnaCordaStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalUnaCordaStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Rest_collision_engraver (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.24 PetrucciVoice

Same as `Voice` context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting a piece in Petrucci style.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): `Voice` (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377), `Beam` (page 388), `BendAfter` (page 390), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `ClusterSpanner` (page 404), `ClusterSpannerBeacon` (page 405), `CombineTextScript` (page 407), `Dots` (page 419), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425), `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430), `Fingering` (page 432), `Flag` (page 434), `Glissando` (page 438), `Hairpin` (page 441), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456), `MensuralLigature` (page 468), `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `NoteColumn` (page 478), `NoteHead` (page 479), `NoteSpacing` (page 481), `PercentRepeat` (page 484), `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485), `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), `RepeatSlash` (page 491), `RepeatTie` (page 492), `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493), `Rest` (page 493), `Script` (page 495), `ScriptColumn` (page 496), `Slur` (page 500), `Stem` (page 512), `StemStub` (page 514), `StemTremolo` (page 514), `StringNumber` (page 515), `StrokeFinger` (page 517), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), `TupletNumber` (page 541), and `VoiceFollower` (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `length` in `Stem` (page 512), to 5.
- Set grob property `style` in `NoteHead` (page 479), to 'petrucci'.
- Set grob property `style` in `Rest` (page 493), to 'mensural'.
- Set grob property `thickness` in `Stem` (page 512), to 1.7.
- Set translator property `autoBeaming` to #f.

This is a 'Bottom' context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Arpeggio_engraver` (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: `arpeggio-event` (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Auto_beam_engraver` (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses `baseMoment`, `beatStructure`, `beamExceptions`, `measureLength`, and `measurePosition` to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [`Stem_engraver`], page 344, properties `stemLeftBeamCount` and `stemRightBeamCount`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

- baseMoment** (moment)
Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.
- beamExceptions** (list)
An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.
- beamHalfMeasure** (boolean)
Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.
- beatStructure** (list)
List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.
- subdivideBeams** (boolean)
If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

- baseMoment** (moment)
Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.
- beamMelismaBusy** (boolean)
Signal if a beam is present.
- beatStructure** (list)
List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.
- subdivideBeams** (boolean)
If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

- forbidBreak** (boolean)
If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘cresc.’.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘dim.’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '()' will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or **\noBeam** will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property '**autoBeaming**' to **##f**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Mensural_ligature_engraver (page 329)

Handle **Mensural_ligature_events** by glueing special ligature heads together.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **MensuralLigature** (page 468).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with 'R'. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

`measureStartNow` (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

`restNumberThreshold` (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), and `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475).

`New_fingering_engraver` (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

`fingeringOrientations` (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

`harmonicDots` (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

`stringNumberOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

`strokeFingerOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Fingering` (page 432), `Script` (page 495), `StringNumber` (page 515), and `StrokeFinger` (page 517).

`Note_head_line_engraver` (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if `followVoice` is set.

Properties (read)

`followVoice` (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VoiceFollower` (page 547).

`Note_heads_engraver` (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

Properties (read)

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

`staffLineLayoutFunction` (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, `traditional`, or `semitone`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteHead` (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Pitched_trill_engraver (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

2.1.25 PianoStaff

Just like **GrandStaff**, but the staves are only removed together, never separately.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **GrandStaff** (page 103).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **SpanBar** (page 505), **SpanBarStub** (page 506), **SystemStartBar** (page 522),

`SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), `SystemStartSquare` (page 524), and `VerticalAlignment` (page 544).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `extra-spacing-width` in `DynamicText` (page 426), to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to `'SystemStartBrace`.
- Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to `'SystemStartBracket`.
- Set translator property `topLevelAlignment` to `#f`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `Staff` (page 237).

Context `PianoStaff` can contain `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `ChordNames` (page 67), `Devnull` (page 79), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `Dynamics` (page 96), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `OneStaff` (page 185), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `PianoStaff` (page 207), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `StaffGroup` (page 247), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`instrumentName` (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The `instrumentName` property labels the staff in the first system, and the `shortInstrumentName` property labels following lines.

`shortInstrumentName` (markup)

See `instrumentName`.

`shortVocalName` (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

`vocalName` (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `InstrumentName` (page 445).

Keep_alive_together_engraver (page 324)

This engraver collects all `Hara_kiri_group_spanners` that are created in contexts at or below its own. These spanners are then tied together so that one will be removed only if all are removed. For example, if a `StaffGroup` uses this engraver, then the staves in the group will all be visible as long as there is a note in at least one of them.

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

Span_arpeggio_engraver (page 342)

Make arpeggios that span multiple staves.

Properties (read)

`connectArpeggios` (boolean)

If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

Span_bar_engraver (page 343)

Make cross-staff bar lines: It catches all normal bar lines and draws a single span bar across them.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBar` (page 505).

Span_bar_stub_engraver (page 343)

Make stubs for span bars in all contexts that the span bars cross.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBarStub` (page 506).

System_start_delimiter_engraver (page 345)

Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a `SystemStartBar`, `SystemStartBrace`, `SystemStartBracket` or `SystemStartSquare` spanner).

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`systemStartDelimiter` (symbol)

Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff?
Set to `SystemStartBrace`, `SystemStartBracket` or `SystemStartBar`.

`systemStartDelimiterHierarchy` (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SystemStartBar` (page 522), `SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), and `SystemStartSquare` (page 524).

Vertical_align_engraver (page 351)

Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.

Properties (read)

`alignAboveContext` (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alignBelowContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

2.1.26 RhythmicStaff

A context like **Staff** but for printing rhythms. Pitches are ignored; the notes are printed on one line.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380), **DotColumn** (page 418), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **TimeSignature** (page 532), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **line-count** in **StaffSymbol** (page 510), to 1.
- Set grob property **neutral-direction** in **Beam** (page 388), to 1.
- Set grob property **neutral-direction** in **Stem** (page 512), to 1.
- Set grob property **staff-padding** in **VoltaBracket** (page 548), to 3.
- Set translator property **createSpacing** to #t.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to '() .
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to '() .
- Set translator property **shortInstrumentName** to '() .
- Set translator property **squashedPosition** to 0.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type **Voice** (page 289).

Context **RhythmicStaff** can contain **CueVoice** (page 69), **NullVoice** (page 183), and **Voice** (page 289).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Pitch_squash_engraver (page 337)

Set the vertical position of note heads to **squashedPosition**, if that property is set. This can be used to make a single-line staff demonstrating the rhythm of a melody.

Properties (read)

squashedPosition (integer)

Vertical position of squashing for Section

“Pitch_squash_engraver” in *Internals Reference*.

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.27 Score

This is the top level notation context. No other context can contain a **Score** context. This context handles the administration of time signatures. It also makes sure that items such as clefs, time signatures, and key-signatures are aligned across staves.

You cannot explicitly instantiate a **Score** context (since it is not contained in any other context). It is instantiated automatically when an output definition (a `\score` or `\layout` block) is processed.

An alias for **Timing** is established by the `Timing_translator` in whatever context it is initialized, and the timing variables are then copied from wherever **Timing** had been previously established. The alias at **Score** level provides a target for initializing **Timing** variables in layout definitions before any `Timing_translator` has been run.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Timing** (page 213).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **BarNumber** (page 383), **BreakAlignGroup** (page 393), **BreakAlignment** (page 394), **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398), **CodaMark** (page 405), **ControlPoint** (page 409), **ControlPolygon** (page 410), **Footnote** (page 435), **GraceSpacing** (page 440), **JumpScript** (page 447), **LeftEdge** (page 457), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **NonMusicalPaperColumn** (page 476), **PaperColumn** (page 483), **Parentheses** (page 484), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **SectionLabel** (page 496), **SegnoMark** (page 498), **SpacingSpanner** (page 504), **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), **SystemStartSquare** (page 524), **VerticalAlignment** (page 544), **VoltaBracket** (page 548), and **VoltaBracketSpanner** (page 549).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property `additionalPitchPrefix` to `""`.
- Set translator property `aDueText` to `"a2"`.
- Set translator property `alterationGlyphs` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `alternativeRestores` to:
`'(measurePosition measureLength lastChord)`
- Set translator property `associatedVoiceType` to `'Voice`.
- Set translator property `autoAccidentals` to:
`'(Staff #<procedure #f (context pitch barnum)>)`
- Set translator property `autoBeamCheck` to `default-auto-beam-check`.
- Set translator property `autoBeaming` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `autoCautionaries` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `automaticBars` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `barCheckSynchronize` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `barNumberFormatter` to `robust-bar-number-function`.
- Set translator property `barNumberVisibility` to `first-bar-number-invisible-and-no-parenthesized-bar-numbers`.
- Set translator property `beamHalfMeasure` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `centerBarNumbers` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `chordNameExceptions` to:
`'(((#<Pitch e' > #<Pitch gis' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
("+")
((#<Pitch ees' > #<Pitch ges' >)`

```

#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
  ((#<procedure fontsize-markup (layout props increment arg)>
    2
    "°")))))
((#<Pitch ees' > #<Pitch ges' > #<Pitch bes' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
  "ø"))))
((#<Pitch ees' > #<Pitch ges' > #<Pitch beses' >)
#<procedure concat-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
  ((#<procedure fontsize-markup (layout props increment arg)>
    2
    "°"))))
  (#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
    "7"))))
((#<Pitch e' >
  #<Pitch g' >
  #<Pitch b' >
  #<Pitch fis'' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
  "lyd"))))
((#<Pitch e' >
  #<Pitch g' >
  #<Pitch bes' >
  #<Pitch des'' >
  #<Pitch ees'' >
  #<Pitch fis'' >
  #<Pitch aes'' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
  "alt"))))
((#<Pitch g' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
  "5"))))
((#<Pitch g' > #<Pitch c'' >)
#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
((#<procedure super-markup (layout props arg)>
  "5"))))

```

- Set translator property `chordNameFunction` to `ignatzek-chord-names`.
- Set translator property `chordNameLowercaseMinor` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `chordNameSeparator` to:

```
'(#<procedure hspace-markup (layout props amount)>
  0.5)
```
- Set translator property `chordNoteNamer` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `chordPrefixSpacer` to `0`.
- Set translator property `chordRootNamer` to `note-name->markup`.

- Set translator property `clefGlyph` to `"clefs.G"`.
- Set translator property `clefPosition` to `-2`.
- Set translator property `clefTranspositionFormatter` to `clef-transposition-markup`.
- Set translator property `codaMarkFormatter` to `format-coda-mark`.
- Set translator property `completionFactor` to `unity-if-multimeasure`.
- Set translator property `crescendoSpanner` to `'hairpin`.
- Set translator property `cueClefTranspositionFormatter` to `clef-transposition-markup`.
- Set translator property `dalSegnoTextFormatter` to `format-dal-segno-text`.
- Set translator property `decrescendoSpanner` to `'hairpin`.
- Set translator property `doubleRepeatBarType` to `":...:"`.
- Set translator property `drumStyleTable` to `#<hash-table 29/61>`.
- Set translator property `endRepeatBarType` to `":|."`.
- Set translator property `explicitClefVisibility` to:
`##(##t ##t ##t)`
- Set translator property `explicitCueClefVisibility` to:
`##(##f ##t ##t)`
- Set translator property `explicitKeySignatureVisibility` to:
`##(##t ##t ##t)`
- Set translator property `extendersOverRests` to `##t`.
- Set translator property `extraNatural` to `##t`.
- Set translator property `figuredBassFormatter` to `format-bass-figure`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"|."`.
- Set translator property `fineText` to `"Fine"`.
- Set translator property `fingeringOrientations` to:
`'(up down)`
- Set translator property `firstClef` to `##t`.
- Set translator property `graceSettings` to:
`'((Voice Stem direction 1)
 (Voice Slur direction -1)
 (Voice Stem font-size -3)
 (Voice Flag font-size -3)
 (Voice NoteHead font-size -3)
 (Voice TabNoteHead font-size -4)
 (Voice Dots font-size -3)
 (Voice Stem length-fraction 0.8)
 (Voice Stem no-stem-extend ##t)
 (Voice Beam beam-thickness 0.384)
 (Voice Beam length-fraction 0.8)
 (Voice Accidental font-size -4)
 (Voice AccidentalCautionary font-size -4)
 (Voice Script font-size -3)
 (Voice Fingering font-size -8)
 (Voice StringNumber font-size -8))`
- Set translator property `harmonicAccidentals` to `##t`.
- Set translator property `highStringOne` to `##t`.

- Set translator property `initialTimeSignatureVisibility` to:
`##(## #t #t)`
- Set translator property `instrumentTransposition` to `#<Pitch c' >`.
- Set translator property `keepAliveInterfaces` to:

```
'(bass-figure-interface
  chord-name-interface
  cluster-beacon-interface
  dynamic-interface
  fret-diagram-interface
  lyric-syllable-interface
  note-head-interface
  tab-note-head-interface
  lyric-interface
  percent-repeat-item-interface
  percent-repeat-interface
  stanza-number-interface)
```
- Set translator property `keyAlterationOrder` to:

```
'((6 . -1/2)
 (2 . -1/2)
 (5 . -1/2)
 (1 . -1/2)
 (4 . -1/2)
 (0 . -1/2)
 (3 . -1/2)
 (3 . 1/2)
 (0 . 1/2)
 (4 . 1/2)
 (1 . 1/2)
 (5 . 1/2)
 (2 . 1/2)
 (6 . 1/2)
 (6 . -1)
 (2 . -1)
 (5 . -1)
 (1 . -1)
 (4 . -1)
 (0 . -1)
 (3 . -1)
 (3 . 1)
 (0 . 1)
 (4 . 1)
 (1 . 1)
 (5 . 1)
 (2 . 1)
 (6 . 1))
```
- Set translator property `lyricMelismaAlignment` to `-1`.
- Set translator property `majorSevenSymbol` to:

```
'(#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
  ((#<procedure fontsize-markup (layout props increment arg)>
```

```
(#<procedure triangle-markup (layout props filled)>
  #f)))
```

- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"|"`.
- Set translator property `melismaBusyProperties` to:

```
'(melismaBusy
  slurMelismaBusy
  tieMelismaBusy
  beamMelismaBusy
  completionBusy)
```
- Set translator property `metronomeMarkFormatter` to `format-metronome-markup`.
- Set translator property `middleCClefPosition` to `-6`.
- Set translator property `middleCPosition` to `-6`.
- Set translator property `minorChordModifier` to:

```
'(#<procedure simple-markup (layout props str)>
  "m")
```
- Set translator property `noChordSymbol` to:

```
'(#<procedure simple-markup (layout props str)>
  "N.C.")
```
- Set translator property `noteNameFunction` to `note-name-markup`.
- Set translator property `noteNameSeparator` to `"/"`.
- Set translator property `noteToFretFunction` to `determine-frets`.
- Set translator property `partCombineTextsOnNote` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `pedalSostenutoStrings` to:

```
'("Sost. Ped." "*Sost. Ped." "*")
```
- Set translator property `pedalSostenutoStyle` to `'mixed`.
- Set translator property `pedalSustainStrings` to:

```
'("Ped." "*Ped." "*")
```
- Set translator property `pedalSustainStyle` to `'text`.
- Set translator property `pedalUnaCordaStrings` to:

```
'("una corda" "" "tre corde")
```
- Set translator property `pedalUnaCordaStyle` to `'text`.
- Set translator property `predefinedDiagramTable` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `printAccidentalNames` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `printKeyCancellation` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `printOctaveNames` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `printPartCombineTexts` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `quotedCueEventTypes` to:

```
'(note-event
  rest-event
  tie-event
  beam-event
  tuplet-span-event
  tremolo-event)
```
- Set translator property `quotedEventTypes` to:

```
'(StreamEvent)
```


- Set translator property `rehearsalMarkFormatter` to `format-mark-letters`.
- Set translator property `rehearsalMark` to 1.
- Set translator property `repeatCountVisibility` to `all-repeat-counts-visible`.
- Set translator property `restNumberThreshold` to 1.
- Set translator property `scriptDefinitions` to:

```
'((accent
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-stencil feta "sforzato" . "sforzato")
  (side-relative-direction . -1))
(accentus
  (script-stencil feta "uaccentus" . "uaccentus")
  (side-relative-direction . -1)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (script-priority . -100)
  (direction . 1))
(circulus
  (script-stencil feta "circulus" . "circulus")
  (side-relative-direction . -1)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (script-priority . -100)
  (direction . 1))
(coda (script-stencil feta "coda" . "coda")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (direction . 1))
(comma (script-stencil feta "lcomma" . "rcomma")
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (direction . 1))
(downbow
  (script-stencil feta "downbow" . "downbow")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (skyline-horizontal-padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1)
  (script-priority . 150))
(downmordent
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "downmordent"
    .
    "downmordent")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
```

```

(downprall
  (script-stencil feta "downprall" . "downprall")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(espressivo
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-stencil feta "espr" . "espr")
  (side-relative-direction . -1))
(fermata
  (script-stencil feta "dfermata" . "ufermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (script-priority . 4000)
  (direction . 1))
(flageolet
  (script-stencil feta "flageolet" . "flageolet")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(halfopen
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-stencil feta "halfopen" . "halfopen")
  (direction . 1))
(halfopenvertical
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "halfopenvertical"
    .
    "halfopenvertical")
  (direction . 1))
(haydnturn
  (script-stencil feta "haydnturn" . "haydnturn")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (direction . 1))
(henzelongfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dhenzelongfermata"
    .
    "uhenzelongfermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(henzeshortfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta

```

```

    "dhenzeshortfermata"
    .
    "uhenzeshortfermata")
(padding . 0.2)
(avoid-slur . around)
(direction . 1))
(ictus (script-stencil feta "ictus" . "ictus")
  (side-relative-direction . -1)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-priority . -100)
  (direction . -1))
(lheel (script-stencil feta "upedalheel" . "upedalheel")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . -1))
(lineprall
  (script-stencil feta "lineprall" . "lineprall")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(longfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dlongfermata"
    .
    "ulongfermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(ltoe (script-stencil feta "upedaltoe" . "upedaltoe")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . -1))
(marcato
  (script-stencil feta "dmarcato" . "umarcato")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (side-relative-direction . -1))
(mordent
  (script-stencil feta "mordent" . "mordent")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(open (avoid-slur . outside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-stencil feta "open" . "open")
  (direction . 1))
(portato
  (script-stencil feta "uportato" . "dportato")

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    (avoid-slur . around)
    (padding . 0.45)
    (side-relative-direction . -1))
(prall (script-stencil feta "prall" . "prall")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(pralldown
  (script-stencil feta "pralldown" . "pralldown")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(prallmordent
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "prallmordent"
    .
    "prallmordent")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(prallprall
  (script-stencil feta "prallprall" . "prallprall")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(prallup
  (script-stencil feta "prallup" . "prallup")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(reverseturn
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "reverseturn"
    .
    "reverseturn")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (direction . 1))
(rheel (script-stencil feta "dpedalheel" . "dpedalheel")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(rtoe (script-stencil feta "dpedaltoe" . "dpedaltoe")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(segno (script-stencil feta "segno" . "segno")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (direction . 1))

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(semicirculus
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dsemicirculus"
    .
    "dsemicirculus")
  (side-relative-direction . -1)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (script-priority . -100)
  (direction . 1))
(shortfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dshortfermata"
    .
    "ushortfermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(signumcongruentiae
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dsignumcongruentiae"
    .
    "usignumcongruentiae")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (direction . 1))
(slashturn
  (script-stencil feta "slashturn" . "slashturn")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (direction . 1))
(snappizzicato
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "snappizzicato"
    .
    "snappizzicato")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (direction . 1))
(staccatissimo
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dstaccatissimo"
    .
    "ustaccatissimo")

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(padding . 0.2)
(skyline-horizontal-padding . 0.1)
(side-relative-direction . -1)
(toward-stem-shift . 1.0)
(toward-stem-shift-in-column . 0.0))
(staccato
  (script-stencil feta "staccato" . "staccato")
  (side-relative-direction . -1)
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (toward-stem-shift . 1.0)
  (toward-stem-shift-in-column . 0.0)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (skyline-horizontal-padding . 0.1)
  (script-priority . -100))
(stopped
  (script-stencil feta "stopped" . "stopped")
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (direction . 1))
(tenuto
  (script-stencil feta "tenuto" . "tenuto")
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (side-relative-direction . -1))
(trill (script-stencil feta "trill" . "trill")
  (direction . 1)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . outside)
  (script-priority . 2000))
(turn (script-stencil feta "turn" . "turn")
  (avoid-slur . inside)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (direction . 1))
(upbow (script-stencil feta "upbow" . "upbow")
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (direction . 1)
  (script-priority . 150))
(upmordent
  (script-stencil feta "upmordent" . "upmordent")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(upprall
  (script-stencil feta "upprall" . "upprall")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(varcoda
  (script-stencil feta "varcoda" . "varcoda"))

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(padding . 0.2)
(avoid-slur . outside)
(direction . 1))
(varcomma
  (script-stencil feta "lvarcomma" . "rvarcomma")
  (quantize-position . #t)
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . ignore)
  (direction . 1))
(verylongfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dverylongfermata"
    .
    "uverylongfermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1))
(veryshortfermata
  (script-stencil
    feta
    "dveryshortfermata"
    .
    "uveryshortfermata")
  (padding . 0.2)
  (avoid-slur . around)
  (direction . 1)))

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- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `segnoMarkFormatter` to `format-segno-mark-considering-bar-lines`.
- Set translator property `segnoStyle` to `'mark`.
- Set translator property `slashChordSeparator` to:
`'(<procedure simple-markup (layout props str)>`
`"/")`
- Set translator property `soloIIText` to `"Solo II"`.
- Set translator property `soloText` to `"Solo"`.
- Set translator property `startRepeatBarType` to `".|:"`.
- Set translator property `stringNumberOrientations` to:
`'(up down)`
- Set translator property `stringOneTopmost` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `stringTunings` to:
`'(<Pitch e' >`
`#<Pitch b >`
`#<Pitch g >`
`#<Pitch d >`
`#<Pitch a, >`
`#<Pitch e, >)`
- Set translator property `strokeFingerOrientations` to:
`'(right)`

- Set translator property `subdivideBeams` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `suspendMelodyDecisions` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to `'SystemStartBar`.
- Set translator property `tablatureFormat` to `fret-number-tablature-format`.
- Set translator property `tabStaffLineLayoutFunction` to `tablature-position-on-lines`.
- Set translator property `tieWaitForNote` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `timeSignatureFraction` to:
`'(4 . 4)`
- Set translator property `timeSignatureSettings` to:
`'(((2 . 2) (beamExceptions (end (1/32 8 8 8 8))))`
`((3 . 2)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/32 8 8 8 8 8))))`
`((3 . 4)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/8 6) (1/12 3 3 3))))`
`((3 . 8) (beamExceptions (end (1/8 3))))`
`((4 . 2)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/16 4 4 4 4 4 4 4))))`
`((4 . 4)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/8 4 4) (1/12 3 3 3 3))))`
`((4 . 8) (beatStructure 2 2))`
`((6 . 4)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/16 4 4 4 4 4 4))))`
`((9 . 4)`
`(beamExceptions (end (1/32 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8))))`
`((12 . 4)`
`(beamExceptions`
`(end (1/32 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8))))`
`((5 . 8) (beatStructure 3 2))`
`((8 . 8) (beatStructure 3 3 2)))`
- Set translator property `timing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `topLevelAlignment` to `#t`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `Staff` (page 237).

Context `Score` can contain `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `ChordNames` (page 67), `Devnull` (page 79), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `Dynamics` (page 96), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `OneStaff` (page 185), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `PianoStaff` (page 207), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `StaffGroup` (page 247), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Bar_number_engraver` (page 304)

A bar number may be created at any bar line, subject to the `barNumberVisibility` callback. By default, it is put on top of all staves and appears only at the left side of the staff. The staves are taken from `stavesFound`, which is maintained by Section 2.2.128 [`Staff_collecting_engraver`], page 343. This engraver usually creates `BarNumber` grobs,

but when `centerBarNumbers` is true, it makes `CenteredBarNumber` grobs instead.

Properties (read)

`alternativeNumber` (non-negative, exact integer)

When set, the index of the current `\alternative` element, starting from one. Not set outside of alternatives. Note the distinction from volta number: an alternative may pertain to multiple volte.

`alternativeNumberingStyle` (symbol)

The scheme and style for numbering bars in repeat alternatives. If not set (the default), bar numbers continue through alternatives. Can be set to `numbers` to reset the bar number at each alternative, or set to `numbers-with-letters` to reset and also include letter suffixes.

`barNumberFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number, measure position, and alternative number and returns a markup of the bar number to print.

`barNumberVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number and a measure position and returns whether the corresponding bar number should be printed. Note that the actual print-out of bar numbers is controlled with the `break-visibility` property.

The following procedures are predefined:

`all-bar-numbers-visible`

Enable bar numbers for all bars, including the first one and broken bars (which get bar numbers in parentheses).

`first-bar-number-invisible`

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. If the first bar is broken, it doesn't get a bar number either.

`first-bar-number-invisible-save-broken-bars`

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. A broken first bar gets a bar number.

`first-bar-number-invisible-and-no-parenthesized-bar-numbers`

Enable bar numbers for all bars except the first bar and broken bars. This is the default.

`(every-nth-bar-number-visible n)`

Assuming `n` is value 2, for example, this enables bar numbers for bars 2, 4, 6, etc.

(modulo-bar-number-visible *n m*)

If bar numbers 1, 4, 7, etc., should be enabled, *n* (the modulo) must be set to 3 and *m* (the division remainder) to 1.

centerBarNumbers (boolean)

Whether to center bar numbers in their measure instead of aligning them on the bar line.

currentBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarNumber** (page 383), and **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397).

Beam_collision_engraver (page 305)

Help beams avoid colliding with notes and clefs in other voices.

Break_align_engraver (page 308)

Align grobs with corresponding **break-align-symbols** into groups, and order the groups according to **breakAlignOrder**. The left edge of the alignment gets a separate group, with a symbol **left-edge**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreakAlignGroup** (page 393), **BreakAlignment** (page 394), and **LeftEdge** (page 457).

Centered_bar_number_align_engraver (page 308)

Group measure-centered bar numbers in a **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** so they end up on the same vertical position.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner (page 398).

Concurrent_hairpin_engraver (page 312)

Collect concurrent hairpins.

Default_bar_line_engraver (page 313)

This engraver determines what kind of automatic bar lines should be produced, and sets **whichBar** accordingly. It should be at the same level as Section 2.2.145 [Timing_translator], page 349.

Properties (read)

automaticBars (boolean)

If set to false then bar lines will not be printed automatically; they must be explicitly created with a `\bar` command. Unlike the `\cadenzaOn` keyword, measures are still counted. Bar line generation will resume according to that count if this property is unset.

barAlways (boolean)

If set to true a bar line is drawn after each note.

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

Properties (write)

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

Footnote_engraver (page 319)

Create footnote texts.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Footnote** (page 435).

Grace_spacing_engraver (page 321)

Bookkeeping of shortest starting and playing notes in grace note runs.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **GraceSpacing** (page 440).

Jump_engraver (page 323)

This engraver creates instructions such as *D.C.* and *Fine*, placing them vertically outside the set of staves given in the **stavesFound** context property.

If **Jump_engraver** is added or moved to another context, **Staff_collecting_engraver** (page 343), also needs to be there so that marks appear at the intended Y location.

Music types accepted: **ad-hoc-jump-event** (page 48), **dal-segno-event** (page 50), and **fine-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

codaMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

codaMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a coda mark (which in conventional *D.S. al Coda* form indicates the start of the alternative endings), taking as arguments the mark sequence

number and the context. It should return a markup object.

`dalSegnoTextFormatter` (procedure)

Format a jump instruction such as *D.S.*

The first argument is the context.

The second argument is the number of times the instruction is performed.

The third argument is a list of three markups: *start-markup*, *end-markup*, and *next-markup*.

If *start-markup* is **`#f`**, the form is *da capo*; otherwise the form is *dal segno* and *start-markup* is the sign at the start of the repeated section.

If *end-markup* is not **`#f`**, it is either the sign at the end of the main body of the repeat, or it is a *Fine* instruction.

When it is a *Fine* instruction, *next-markup* is **`#f`**.

If *next-markup* is not **`#f`**, it is the mark to be jumped to after performing the body of the repeat, e.g. *Coda*.

`finalFineTextVisibility` (boolean)

Whether **`\fine`** at the written end of the music should create a *Fine* instruction.

`fineText` (markup)

The text to print at **`\fine`**.

`segnoMarkCount` (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

`segnoMarkFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure that creates a segno (which conventionally indicates the start of a repeated section), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **`JumpScript`** (page 447).

`Mark_engraver` (page 327)

This engraver creates rehearsal, segno, and coda marks, and section labels.

`Mark_engraver` creates marks, formats them, and places them vertically outside the set of staves given in the **`stavesFound`** context property.

If **`Mark_engraver`** is added or moved to another context, **`Staff_collecting_engraver`** (page 343), also needs to be there so that marks appear at the intended Y location.

By default, **`Mark_engravers`** in multiple contexts create a common sequence of marks chosen by the Score-level **`Mark_tracking_translator`** (page 328). If independent sequences are desired, multiple **`Mark_tracking_translators`** must be used.

Properties (read)

codaMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a coda mark (which in conventional *D.S. al Coda* form indicates the start of the alternative endings), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

currentMarkEvent (stream event)

The event selected by **Mark_tracking_translator** for engraving by **Mark_engraver**.

rehearsalMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments the context and the sequence number of the rehearsal mark. It should return the formatted mark as a markup object.

segnoMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a segno (which conventionally indicates the start of a repeated section), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CodaMark** (page 405), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **SectionLabel** (page 496), and **SegnoMark** (page 498).

Mark_tracking_translator (page 328)

This translator chooses which mark **Mark_engraver** should engrave.

Music types accepted: **ad-hoc-mark-event** (page 48), **coda-mark-event** (page 49), **rehearsal-mark-event** (page 54), **section-label-event** (page 55), and **segno-mark-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

codaMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

rehearsalMark (integer)

The next rehearsal mark to print.

segnoMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

Properties (write)

codaMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to

the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

currentMarkEvent (stream event)

The event selected by **Mark_tracking_translator** for engraving by **Mark_engraver**.

rehearsalMark (integer)

The next rehearsal mark to print.

segnoMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

Metronome_mark_engraver (page 330)

Engrave metronome marking. This delegates the formatting work to the function in the **metronomeMarkFormatter** property. The mark is put over all staves. The staves are taken from the **stavesFound** property, which is maintained by Section 2.2.128 [**Staff_collecting_engraver**], page 343.

Music types accepted: **tempo-change-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

metronomeMarkFormatter (procedure)

How to produce a metronome markup. Called with two arguments: a **TempoChangeEvent** and context.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

tempoHideNote (boolean)

Hide the note = count in tempo marks.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **MetronomeMark** (page 469).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Paper_column_engraver (page 334)

Take care of generating columns.

This engraver decides whether a column is breakable. The default is that a column is always breakable. However, every **Bar_engraver** that does not have a barline at a certain point will set **forbidBreaks** in the score context to stop line breaks. In practice, this means that you can make a break point by creating a bar line (assuming that there are no beams or notes that prevent a break point).

Music types accepted: **break-event** (page 49), and **label-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

Properties (write)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`NonMusicalPaperColumn` (page 476), and `PaperColumn` (page 483).

`Parenthesis_engraver` (page 335)

Parenthesize objects whose `parenthesize` property is `#t`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Parentheses` (page 484).

`Repeat_acknowledge_engraver` (page 338)

This translator chooses a bar line based on `repeatCommands` and a variety of events pertaining to the structure of the piece. It sets `whichBar` to the chosen bar line if it has not been set by the user.

Music types accepted: `ad-hoc-jump-event` (page 48), `coda-mark-event` (page 49), `dal-segno-event` (page 50), `fine-event` (page 50), `section-event` (page 55), `segno-mark-event` (page 55), and `volta-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`doubleRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where the end of one `\repeat volta` coincides with the start of another. The default is `':...:'`.

`doubleRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of one `\repeat volta` and the beginning of another. The default is `':|.S.|:'`.

`endRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|.'`.

`endRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|.S'`.

`fineBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at `\fine`. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is `'|.'`.

- fineSegnoBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** where an in-staff segno coincides with **\fine**. The default is **'|.S'**.
- fineStartRepeatSegnoBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** where an in-staff segno coincides with **\fine** and the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is **'|.S.|:'**.
- measureBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.
- repeatCommands** (list)
This property is a list of commands of the form (list 'volta x), where x is a string or #f. 'end-repeat is also accepted as a command.
- sectionBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at **\section**. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is **'||'**.
- segnoBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at an in-staff segno. The default is **'S'**.
- segnoStyle** (symbol)
A symbol that indicates how to print a segno: **bar-line** or **mark**.
- startRepeatBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is **'.|:'**.
- startRepeatSegnoBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** where an in-staff segno coincides with the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is **'S.|:'**.
- underlyingRepeatBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at points of repetition or departure where no bar line would normally appear, for example at the end of a system broken in mid measure where the next system begins with a segno. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is **'||'**.
- whichBar** (string)
The current bar line type, or **'()** if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

- whichBar** (string)
The current bar line type, or **'()** if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Show_control_points_engraver (page 341)

Create grobs to visualize control points of Bézier curves (ties and slurs) for ease of tweaking.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ControlPoint** (page 409), and **ControlPolygon** (page 410).

Spacing_engraver (page 342)

Make a **SpacingSpanner** and do bookkeeping of shortest starting and playing notes.

Music types accepted: **spacing-section-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

proportionalNotationDuration (moment)

Global override for shortest-playing duration. This is used for switching on proportional notation.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SpacingSpanner** (page 504).

Spanner_tracking_engraver (page 343)

Helper for creating spanners attached to other spanners. If a spanner has the **sticky-grob-interface**, the engraver tracks the spanner contained in its **sticky-host** object. When the host ends, the sticky spanner attached to it has its end announced too.

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Stanza_number_align_engraver (page 344)

This engraver ensures that stanza numbers are neatly aligned.

System_start_delimiter_engraver (page 345)

Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a **SystemStartBar**, **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartSquare** spanner).

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

systemStartDelimiter (symbol)

Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff?
Set to **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or
SystemStartBar.

systemStartDelimiterHierarchy (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), and **SystemStartSquare** (page 524).

Timing_translator (page 349)

This engraver adds the alias **Timing** to its containing context. Responsible for synchronizing timing information from staves. Normally in **Score**. In order to create polyrhythmic music, this engraver should be removed from **Score** and placed in **Staff**.

Music types accepted: **alternative-event** (page 48), and **bar-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

alternativeNumberingStyle (symbol)

The scheme and style for numbering bars in repeat alternatives. If not set (the default), bar numbers continue through alternatives. Can be set to **numbers** to reset the bar number at each alternative, or set to **numbers-with-letters** to reset and also include letter suffixes.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

currentBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

Properties (write)

alternativeNumber (non-negative, exact integer)

When set, the index of the current \alternative element, starting from one. Not set outside of alternatives. Note the distinction from volta number: an alternative may pertain to multiple volte.

baseMoment (moment)
Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

currentBarNumber (integer)
Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

internalBarNumber (integer)
Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureLength (moment)
Length of one measure in the current time signature.

measurePosition (moment)
How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

measureStartNow (boolean)
True at the beginning of a measure.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)
A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

Tweak_engraver (page 350)

Read the **tweaks** property from the originating event, and set properties.

Vertical_align_engraver (page 351)

Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.

Properties (read)

alignAboveContext (string)
Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alignBelowContext (string)
Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)
True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

Volta_engraver (page 351)

Make volta brackets.

Music types accepted: **dal-segno-event** (page 50), **fine-event** (page 50), and **volta-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)
Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCommands (list)

This property is a list of commands of the form (list 'volta x), where x is a string or #f. 'end-repeat is also accepted as a command.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

voltaSpannerDuration (moment)

This specifies the maximum duration to use for the brackets printed for \alternative. This can be used to shrink the length of brackets in the situation where one alternative is very large.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '() if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use \bar or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoltaBracket** (page 548), and **VoltaBracketSpanner** (page 549).

2.1.28 Staff

Handles clefs, bar lines, accidentals. It can contain **Voice** contexts.

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **TimeSignature** (page 532), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set translator property **createSpacing** to #t.
- Set translator property **ignoreFiguredBassRest** to #f.
- Set translator property **instrumentName** to '().
- Set translator property **localAlterations** to '().
- Set translator property **ottavationMarkups** to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```

- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `Voice` (page 289).

Context `Staff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `NullVoice` (page 183), and `Voice` (page 289).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at `Staff` level, but reads the settings for `Accidental` at `Voice` level, so you can `\override` them at `Voice`.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

`autoAccidentals` (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

`context` The current context to which the rule should be applied.

`pitch` The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

`barnum` The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (`#t` . `#f`) does not make sense.

`autoCautionaries` (list)

List similar to `autoAccidentals`, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the **ClefModifier** grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

- `figuredBassCenterContinuations` (boolean)
Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.
- `figuredBassFormatter` (procedure)
A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.
- `ignoreFiguredBassRest` (boolean)
Don't swallow rest events.
- `implicitBassFigures` (list)
A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.
- `useBassFigureExtenders` (boolean)
Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BassFigure` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignment` (page 385), `BassFigureBracket` (page 387), `BassFigureContinuation` (page 387), and `BassFigureLine` (page 388).

`Figured_bass_position_engraver` (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):
`BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` (page 386).

`Fingering_column_engraver` (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `FingeringColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `FingeringColumn` (page 434).

`Font_size_engraver` (page 318)

Put `fontSize` into `font-size` grob property.

Properties (read)

- `fontSize` (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

`Grob_pq_engraver` (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

- `busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

- `busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

`Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

- currentCommandColumn** (graphical (layout) object)
Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.
- instrumentName** (markup)
The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.
- shortInstrumentName** (markup)
See **instrumentName**.
- shortVocalName** (markup)
Name of a vocal line, short version.
- vocalName** (markup)
Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

- createKeyOnClefChange** (boolean)
Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.
- explicitKeySignatureVisibility** (vector)
'break-visibility' function for explicit key changes.
'\override' of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.
- extraNatural** (boolean)
Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.
- keyAlterationOrder** (list)
A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (**step** . **alter**), where **step** is a number from 0 to 6 and **alter** from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.
- keyAlterations** (list)
The current key signature. This is an alist containing (**step** . **alter**) or ((**octave** . **step**) . **alter**), where **step** is a number in the range 0 to 6 and **alter** a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).
- lastKeyAlterations** (list)
Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition**. This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

`Output_property_engraver` (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: `apply-output-event` (page 48),

`Piano_pedal_align_engraver` (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`SostenutoPedalLineSpanner` (page 503), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), and `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543).

`Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: `sostenuto-event` (page 55), `sustain-event` (page 57), and `una-corda-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`pedalSostenutoStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalSostenutoStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

`pedalSustainStrings` (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

`pedalSustainStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: `text`, `bracket` or `mixed` (both).

`pedalUnaCordaStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalUnaCordaStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SustainPedal` (page 518), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

`Pure_from_neighbor_engraver` (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

`Rest_collision_engraver` (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).

Separating_line_group_engraver (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)

True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: `time-signature-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`initialTimeSignatureVisibility` (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

`partialBusy` (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

`timeSignatureFraction` (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TimeSignature` (page 532).

2.1.29 StaffGroup

Groups staves while adding a bracket on the left side, grouping the staves together. The bar lines of the contained staves are connected vertically. `StaffGroup` only consists of a collection of staves, with a bracket in front and spanning bar lines.

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377), `InstrumentName` (page 445), `SpanBar` (page 505), `SpanBarStub` (page 506), `SystemStartBar` (page 522), `SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), `SystemStartSquare` (page 524), and `VerticalAlignment` (page 544).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property `extra-spacing-width` in `DynamicText` (page 426), to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to '()'.
 • Set translator property `localAlterations` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to '()'.
 • Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to '()'.
 • Set translator property `systemStartDelimiter` to '`SystemStartBracket`'.
 • Set translator property `topLevelAlignment` to `#f`.

This is not a 'Bottom' context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `Staff` (page 237).

Context `StaffGroup` can contain `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `ChordNames` (page 67), `Devnull` (page 79), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `Dynamics` (page 96), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `OneStaff` (page 185), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `PianoStaff` (page 207), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `StaffGroup` (page 247), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Span_arpeggio_engraver (page 342)

Make arpeggios that span multiple staves.

Properties (read)

connectArpeggios (boolean)

If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Span_bar_engraver (page 343)

Make cross-staff bar lines: It catches all normal bar lines and draws a single span bar across them.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SpanBar** (page 505).

Span_bar_stub_engraver (page 343)

Make stubs for span bars in all contexts that the span bars cross.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SpanBarStub** (page 506).

System_start_delimiter_engraver (page 345)

Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a **SystemStartBar**, **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartSquare** spanner).

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

systemStartDelimiter (symbol)

Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff?
Set to **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartBar**.

systemStartDelimiterHierarchy (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), and **SystemStartSquare** (page 524).

Vertical_align_engraver (page 351)

Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.

Properties (read)

alignAboveContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alignBelowContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

2.1.30 TabStaff

Context for generating tablature. It accepts only **TabVoice** contexts and handles the line spacing, the tablature clef etc. properly.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **TimeSignature** (page 532), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **after-line-breaking** in **RepeatTie** (page 492), to `repeat-tie::handle-tab-note-head`.
- Set grob property **after-line-breaking** in **Tie** (page 530), to `tie::handle-tab-note-head`.
- Set grob property **avoid-note-head** in **Stem** (page 512), to `#t`.
- Set grob property **beam-thickness** in **Beam** (page 388), to `0.32`.
- Set grob property **beam-thickness** in **StemTremolo** (page 514), to `0.32`.
- Set grob property **beam-width** in **StemTremolo** (page 514), to `stem-tremolo::calc-tab-width`.
- Set grob property **bound-details.left** in **Glissando** (page 438), to:
`'((attach-dir . 1) (padding . 0.3))`
- Set grob property **bound-details.right** in **Glissando** (page 438), to:
`'((attach-dir . -1) (padding . 0.3))`
- Set grob property **control-points** in **Slur** (page 500), to `#<unpure-pure-container #<procedure #f (grob)> #<procedure #f (grob . rest)> >`.

- Set grob property `details` in `Stem` (page 512), to:

```
'((lengths 0 0 0 0 0 0)
  (beamed-lengths 0 0 0)
  (beamed-minimum-free-lengths 0 0 0)
  (beamed-extreme-minimum-free-lengths 0 0)
  (stem-shorten 0 0))
```
- Set grob property `extra-dy` in `Glissando` (page 438), to `glissando::calc-tab-extra-dy`.
- Set grob property `glyph-name` in `TabNoteHead` (page 525), to `tab-note-head::calc-glyph-name`.
- Set grob property `ignore-collision` in `NoteColumn` (page 478), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `length-fraction` in `Beam` (page 388), to 0.62.
- Set grob property `length-fraction` in `StemTremolo` (page 514), to `#<procedure #f (grob)>`.
- Set grob property `no-stem-extend` in `Stem` (page 512), to `#t`.
- Set grob property `staff-space` in `StaffSymbol` (page 510), to 1.5.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Arpeggio` (page 377), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Beam` (page 388), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Clef` (page 400), to `clef::print-modern-tab-if-set`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Dots` (page 419), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `DynamicText` (page 426), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Flag` (page 434), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Glissando` (page 438), to `glissando::draw-tab-glissando`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Hairpin` (page 441), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `RepeatTie` (page 492), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Rest` (page 493), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Script` (page 495), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `StemTremolo` (page 514), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Stem` (page 512), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `TabNoteHead` (page 525), to `tab-note-head::whiteout-if-style-set`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `TextScript` (page 527), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `TextSpanner` (page 529), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `Tie` (page 530), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `TimeSignature` (page 532), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `stencil` in `TupletBracket` (page 539), to `#f`.

- Set grob property `stencil` in `TupletNumber` (page 541), to `#f`.
- Set grob property `style` in `Flag` (page 434), to `'no-flag`.
- Set translator property `autoBeaming` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `clefGlyph` to `"clefs.tab"`.
- Set translator property `clefPosition` to 0.
- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `handleNegativeFrets` to `'recalculate`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `restrainOpenStrings` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `TabVoice` (page 258).

Context `TabStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `NullVoice` (page 183), and `TabVoice` (page 258).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Alteration_glyph_engraver` (page 301)

Set the `glyph-name-alist` of all grobs having the `accidental-switch-interface` to the value of the context’s `alterationGlyphs` property, when defined.

Properties (read)

`alterationGlyphs` (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., $-1/2$ for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

`Axis_group_engraver` (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a `VerticalAxisGroup` spanner.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

`keepAliveInterfaces` (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with `remove-empty` set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the **ClefModifier** grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

BassFigureAlignmentPositioning (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

`pedalSostenutoStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

`pedalSustainStrings` (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up* *updown* *down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

`pedalSustainStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: `text`, `bracket` or `mixed` (both).

`pedalUnaCordaStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalUnaCordaStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SustainPedal` (page 518), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

`Pure_from_neighbor_engraver` (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

`Rest_collision_engraver` (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `RestCollision` (page 494).

`Script_row_engraver` (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptRow` (page 496).

`Separating_line_group_engraver` (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

`createSpacing` (boolean)

Create `StaffSpacing` objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

`hasStaffSpacing` (boolean)

True if the current `CommandColumn` contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSpacing` (page 510).

`Skip_typesetting_engraver` (page 341)

Create a `StaffEllipsis` when `skipTypesetting` is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Tab_staff_symbol_engraver (page 346)

Create a tablature staff symbol, but look at **stringTunings** for the number of lines.

Properties (read)

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Time_signature_engraver (page 348)

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever **timeSignatureFraction** changes.

Music types accepted: **time-signature-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

initialTimeSignatureVisibility (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

partialBusy (boolean)

Signal that \partial acts at the current timestep.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TimeSignature** (page 532).

2.1.31 TabVoice

Context for drawing notes in a Tab staff.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BendSpanner** (page 391), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Flag** (page 434), **Glissando** (page 438), **Hairpin** (page 441), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **LigatureBracket** (page 459), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteSpacing** (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **Slur** (page 500), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **TabNoteHead** (page 525), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), and **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: **arpeggio-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, **beamExceptions**, **measureLength**, and **measurePosition** to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a sub-divided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Bend_spanner_engraver (page 308)

Engraver to print a **BendSpanner**.

Music types accepted: **bend-span-event** (page 49), **note-event** (page 53), and **string-number-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

stringFretFingerList (list)

A list containing three entries. In **TabVoice** and **FretBoards** they determine the string, fret and finger to use

supportNonIntegerFret (boolean)

If set in **Score** the **TabStaff** will print micro-tones as $2\frac{1}{2}$

Properties (write)

stringFretFingerList (list)

A list containing three entries. In **TabVoice** and **FretBoards** they determine the string, fret and finger to use

supportNonIntegerFret (boolean)

If set in **Score** the **TabStaff** will print micro-tones as $2\frac{1}{2}$.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendSpanner** (page 391).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are ‘**hairpin**’ and ‘**text**’. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘**cresc.**’.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘**hairpin**’ and ‘**text**’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘**dim.**’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '() will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or **\noBeam** will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property **'autoBeaming'** to **##f**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Ligature_bracket_engraver (page 326)

Handle **Ligature_events** by engraving **Ligature** brackets.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LigatureBracket** (page 459).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

MultiMeasureRest (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Phrasing_slur_engraver (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Repeat_tie_engraver (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Rest_engraver (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Rest** (page 493).

Rhythmic_column_engraver (page 340)

Generate **NoteColumn**, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

Script_column_engraver (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **ScriptColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptColumn** (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Tab_note_heads_engraver (page 345)

Generate one or more tablature note heads from event of type **NoteEvent**.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51), **note-event** (page 53), and **string-number-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

defaultStrings (list)

A list of strings to use in calculating frets for tablatures and fretboards if no strings are provided in the notes for the current moment.

fretLabels (list)

A list of strings or Scheme-formatted markups containing, in the correct order, the labels to be used for lettered frets in tablature.

highStringOne (boolean)

Whether the first string is the string with highest pitch on the instrument. This used by the automatic string selector for tablature notation.

maximumFretStretch (number)

Don't allocate frets further than this from specified frets.

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

minimumFret (number)

The tablature auto string-selecting mechanism selects the highest string with a fret at least **minimumFret**.

noteToFretFunction (procedure)

Convert list of notes and list of defined strings to full list of strings and fret numbers. Parameters: The context, a list of note events, a list of tabstring events, and the fretboard grob if a fretboard is desired.

stringOneTopmost (boolean)

Whether the first string is printed on the top line of the tablature.

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

tablatureFormat (procedure)

A function formatting a tablature note head. Called with three arguments: context, string number and, fret number. It returns the text as a markup.

tabStaffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

A function determining the staff position of a tablature note head. Called with two arguments: the context and the string.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TabNoteHead** (page 525).

Tab_tie_follow_engraver (page 346)

Adjust TabNoteHead properties when a tie is followed by a slur or glissando.

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

2.1.32 VaticanaStaff

Same as **Staff** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting Gregorian Chant in the notational style of Editio Vaticana.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Staff** (page 237).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarLine** (page 380), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **Custos** (page 416), **DotColumn** (page 418), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RestCollision** (page 494), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), and **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **hair-thickness** in **BarLine** (page 380), to 0.6.
- Set grob property **line-count** in **StaffSymbol** (page 510), to 4.
- Set grob property **neutral-direction** in **Custos** (page 416), to -1.
- Set grob property **neutral-position** in **Custos** (page 416), to 3.
- Set grob property **style** in **Custos** (page 416), to 'vaticana'.
- Set grob property **style** in **Dots** (page 419), to 'vaticana'.
- Set grob property **thick-thickness** in **BarLine** (page 380), to 1.8.
- Set grob property **thickness** in **StaffSymbol** (page 510), to 0.6.
- Set translator property **alterationGlyphs** to:


```
'((-1/2 . "accidentals.vaticanaM1")
  (0 . "accidentals.vaticana0")
  (1/2 . "accidentals.mensural1"))'
```
- Set translator property **clefGlyph** to "clefs.vaticana.do".
- Set translator property **clefPosition** to 1.

- Set translator property `clefTransposition` to 0.
- Set translator property `createSpacing` to `#t`.
- Set translator property `doubleRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `endRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `fineBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `ignoreFiguredBassRest` to `#f`.
- Set translator property `instrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `localAlterations` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `measureBarType` to `"`.
- Set translator property `middleCClefPosition` to 1.
- Set translator property `middleCPosition` to 1.
- Set translator property `ottavationMarkups` to:

```
'((4 . "29")
  (3 . "22")
  (2 . "15")
  (1 . "8")
  (-1 . "8")
  (-2 . "15")
  (-3 . "22")
  (-4 . "29"))
```
- Set translator property `sectionBarType` to `"||"`.
- Set translator property `shortInstrumentName` to `'()`.
- Set translator property `startRepeatBarType` to `"||"`.

This is not a ‘Bottom’ context; search for such a one will commence after creating an implicit context of type `VaticanaVoice` (page 279).

Context `VaticanaStaff` can contain `CueVoice` (page 69), `NullVoice` (page 183), and `VaticanaVoice` (page 279).

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

`Accidental_engraver` (page 300)

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at Staff level, but reads the settings for Accidental at Voice level, so you can `\override` them at Voice.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

`autoAccidentals` (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied.

For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context. The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (**#t** . **#f**) does not make sense.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter* *barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain *((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))* pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Alteration_glyph_engraver (page 301)

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Axis_group_engraver (page 303)

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Bar_engraver (page 304)

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the **whichBar** property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

measureBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarLine** (page 380).

Clef_engraver (page 310)

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

explicitClefVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

forceClef (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Clef** (page 400), and **ClefModifier** (page 403).

Collision_engraver (page 310)

Collect **NoteColumns**, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a **NoteCollision** object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

Cue_clef_engraver (page 312)

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)
 Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionStyle (symbol)
 Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

explicitCueClefVisibility (vector)
 ‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

middleCCuePosition (number)
 The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

Custos_engraver (page 313)

Engrave custodes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Custos** (page 416).

Dot_column_engraver (page 313)

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

Figured_bass_engraver (page 317)

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: **bass-figure-event** (page 48), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

figuredBassAlterationDirection (direction)
 Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

figuredBassCenterContinuations (boolean)
 Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

figuredBassFormatter (procedure)
 A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

ignoreFiguredBassRest (boolean)
 Don’t swallow rest events.

implicitBassFigures (list)
 A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)
 Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), and **BassFigureLine** (page 388).

Figured_bass_position_engraver (page 318)

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

BassFigureAlignmentPositioning (page 386).

Fingering_column_engraver (page 318)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a **FingeringColumn** object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_name_engraver (page 322)

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Key_engraver (page 324)

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

'break-visibility' function for explicit key changes.

'\override' of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (**step . alter**), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (**step . alter**) or ((**octave . step**) . **alter**), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (**step . alter**) or ((**octave . step**) . **alter**), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations = #`((6 . ,FLAT))**.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

Ledger_line_engraver (page 326)

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver (page 330)

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

Ottava_spanner_engraver (page 333)

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition** This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Piano_pedal_align_engraver (page 336)

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_engraver (page 336)

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalSostenutoStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.**pedalSustainStrings** (list)A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up updown down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.**pedalSustainStyle** (symbol)A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: *text*, *bracket* or *mixed* (both).**pedalUnaCordaStrings** (list)See **pedalSustainStrings**.**pedalUnaCordaStyle** (symbol)See **pedalSustainStyle**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

Pure_from_neighbor_engraver (page 337)

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

Rest_collision_engraver (page 339)

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Script_row_engraver (page 340)

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ScriptRow** (page 496).**Separating_line_group_engraver** (page 341)

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

createSpacing (boolean)Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

hasStaffSpacing (boolean)True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

Skip_typesetting_engraver (page 341)

Create a **StaffEllipsis** when **skipTypesetting** is used.

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffEllipsis** (page 507).

Staff_collecting_engraver (page 343)

Maintain the **stavesFound** variable.

Properties (read)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Staff_symbol_engraver (page 344)

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: **staff-span-event** (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

2.1.33 VaticanaVoice

Same as **Voice** context, except that it is accommodated for typesetting Gregorian Chant in the notational style of Editio Vaticana.

This context also accepts commands for the following context(s): **Voice** (page 289).

This context creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **DotColumn** (page 418), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Episema** (page 429), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Fingering** (page 432), **Glissando** (page 438), **Hairpin** (page 441), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479), **NoteSpacing** (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **TextScript** (page 527), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **TrillPitchHead** (page 536), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), **VaticanaLigature** (page 544), and **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

This context sets the following properties:

- Set grob property **padding** in **Script** (page 495), to 0.5.

- Set grob property **style** in **NoteHead** (page 479), to `'vaticana.punctum`.
- Set translator property **autoBeaming** to `#f`.

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: **arpeggio-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, **beamExceptions**, **measureLength**, and **measurePosition** to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), and **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421).

Dynamic_align_engraver (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

Dynamic_engraver (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: **absolute-dynamic-event** (page 48), **break-span-event** (page 49), and **span-dynamic-event** (page 56),

Properties (read)

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., **'cresc.'**

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

decrescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are **'hairpin'** and **'text'**. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

decrescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., **'dim.'**

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

Episema_engraver (page 317)

Create an *Editio Vaticana*-style episema line.

Music types accepted: **episema-event** (page 50),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Episema** (page 429).

Finger_glide_engraver (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two **Fingering** grobs.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

Fingering_engraver (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

Font_size_engraver (page 318)

Put **fontSize** into **font-size** grob property.

Properties (read)

fontSize (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

Forbid_line_break_engraver (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Glissando_engraver (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '()' will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or **\noBeam** will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property **'autoBeaming'** to **##f**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver (page 320)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads `measureStartNow` and `internalBarNumber` to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [`MultiMeasureRest`], page 470.

Music types accepted: `multi-measure-articulation-event` (page 52), `multi-measure-rest-event` (page 52), and `multi-measure-text-event` (page 52),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`internalBarNumber` (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the `Accidental_engraver`.

`measureStartNow` (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

`restNumberThreshold` (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), and `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

`fingeringOrientations` (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

`harmonicDots` (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

`stringNumberOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

`strokeFingerOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Fingering` (page 432), `Script` (page 495), `StringNumber` (page 515), and `StrokeFinger` (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if `followVoice` is set.

Properties (read)

`followVoice` (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings 'a2', 'Solo', 'Solo II', and 'unisono'.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set 'Solo' and 'A due' texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice 'two' when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

`countPercentRepeats` (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`repeatCountVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when `countPercentRepeats` is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PercentRepeat` (page 484), and `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485).

`Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [`Slur_engraver`], page 342.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53), and `phrasing-slur-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PhrasingSlur` (page 487).

`Pitched_trill_engraver` (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), and `TrillPitchHead` (page 536).

`Repeat_tie_engraver` (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: `repeat-tie-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `RepeatTie` (page 492), and `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493).

`Rest_engraver` (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: `rest-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Rest` (page 493).

`Rhythmic_column_engraver` (page 340)

Generate `NoteColumn`, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteColumn` (page 478).

`Script_column_engraver` (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `ScriptColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptColumn` (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TrillSpanner` (page 538).

`Tuplet_engraver` (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: `tuplet-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`tupletFullLength` (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

`tupletFullLengthNote` (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TupletBracket` (page 539), and `TupletNumber` (page 541).

`Vaticana_ligature_engraver` (page 351)

Handle ligatures by glueing special ligature heads together.

Music types accepted: `ligature-event` (page 51), and `pes-or-flexa-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DotColumn` (page 418), and `VaticanaLigature` (page 544).

2.1.34 Voice

Corresponds to a voice on a staff. This context handles the conversion of dynamic signs, stems, beams, super- and subscripts, slurs, ties, and rests.

You have to instantiate this explicitly if you want to have multiple voices on the same staff.

This context creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377), `Beam` (page 388), `BendAfter` (page 390), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `ClusterSpanner` (page 404), `ClusterSpannerBeacon` (page 405), `CombineTextScript` (page 407), `Dots` (page 419), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425), `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430), `Fingering` (page 432), `Flag` (page 434), `Glissando` (page 438), `Hairpin` (page 441), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456), `LigatureBracket` (page 459), `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `NoteColumn` (page 478), `NoteHead` (page 479), `NoteSpacing` (page 481), `PercentRepeat` (page 484), `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485), `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), `RepeatSlash` (page 491), `RepeatTie` (page 492), `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493), `Rest` (page 493), `Script` (page 495), `ScriptColumn` (page 496), `Slur` (page 500), `Stem` (page 512), `StemStub` (page 514), `StemTremolo` (page 514), `StringNumber` (page 515), `StrokeFinger` (page 517), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), `TupletNumber` (page 541), and `VoiceFollower` (page 547).

This is a ‘Bottom’ context; no contexts will be created implicitly from it.

This context cannot contain other contexts.

This context is built from the following engraver(s):

Arpeggio_engraver (page 302)

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: **arpeggio-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Arpeggio** (page 377).

Auto_beam_engraver (page 302)

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, **beamExceptions**, **measureLength**, and **measurePosition** to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [**Stem_engraver**], page 344, properties **stemLeftBeamCount** and **stemRightBeamCount**.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver (page 305)

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Bend_engraver (page 307)

Create all spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Breathing_sign_engraver (page 308)

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: **breathing-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

Chord_tremolo_engraver (page 309)

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Cluster_spanner_engraver (page 310)

Engrave a cluster using **Spanner** notation.

Music types accepted: **cluster-note-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), and **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

Dots_engraver (page 314)

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

Double_percent_repeat_engraver (page 314)

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **double-percent-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

repeatCountVisibility (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), and `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421).

`Dynamic_align_engraver` (page 315)

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425).

`Dynamic_engraver` (page 316)

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: `absolute-dynamic-event` (page 48), `break-span-event` (page 49), and `span-dynamic-event` (page 56),

Properties (read)

`crescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are `'hairpin'` and `'text'`. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

`crescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., `'cresc.'`.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`decrescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are `'hairpin'` and `'text'`. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

`decrescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., `'dim.'`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), and `Hairpin` (page 441).

`Finger_glide_engraver` (page 318)

Engraver to print a line between two `Fingering` grobs.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430).

`Fingering_engraver` (page 318)

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: `fingering-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Fingering` (page 432).

`Font_size_engraver` (page 318)

Put `fontSize` into `font-size` grob property.

Properties (read)

`fontSize` (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

`Forbid_line_break_engraver` (page 319)

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

`busyGrobs` (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

`Glissando_engraver` (page 320)

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: `glissando-event` (page 51),

Properties (read)

`glissandoMap` (list)

A map in the form of '((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn)) showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value '() will default to '((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n)), where n is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Glissando` (page 438).

`Grace_auto_beam_engraver` (page 320)

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or `\noBeam` will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property `'autoBeaming'` to `##f`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`autoBeaming` (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Beam` (page 388).

`Grace_beam_engraver` (page 320)

Handle `Beam` events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: `beam-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beamMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_engraver (page 321)

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.

Grob_pq_engraver (page 322)

Administrate when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Instrument_switch_engraver (page 323)

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)

The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.

This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Laissez_vibrer_engraver (page 326)

Create laissez vibrer items.

Music types accepted: **laissez-vibrer-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), and **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456).

Ligature_bracket_engraver (page 326)

Handle **Ligature_events** by engraving **Ligature** brackets.

Music types accepted: **ligature-event** (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LigatureBracket** (page 459).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver (page 331)

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with ‘R’. It reads `measureStartNow` and `internalBarNumber` to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [`MultiMeasureRest`], page 470.

Music types accepted: `multi-measure-articulation-event` (page 52), `multi-measure-rest-event` (page 52), and `multi-measure-text-event` (page 52),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`internalBarNumber` (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the `Accidental_engraver`.

`measureStartNow` (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

`restNumberThreshold` (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), and `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475).

New_fingering_engraver (page 332)

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

`fingeringOrientations` (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

`harmonicDots` (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

`stringNumberOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

`strokeFingerOrientations` (list)

See `fingeringOrientations`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Fingering` (page 432), `Script` (page 495), `StringNumber` (page 515), and `StrokeFinger` (page 517).

Note_head_line_engraver (page 332)

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if `followVoice` is set.

Properties (read)

`followVoice` (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_heads_engraver (page 332)

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_spacing_engraver (page 333)

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Output_property_engraver (page 334)

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Part_combine_engraver (page 335)

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **part-combine-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

printPartCombineTexts (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CombineTextScript** (page 407).

Percent_repeat_engraver (page 335)

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: **percent-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

`countPercentRepeats` (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`repeatCountVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when `countPercentRepeats` is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PercentRepeat` (page 484), and `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485).

`Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336)

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [`Slur_engraver`], page 342.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53), and `phrasing-slur-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PhrasingSlur` (page 487).

`Pitched_trill_engraver` (page 337)

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s):

`TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), and `TrillPitchHead` (page 536).

`Repeat_tie_engraver` (page 339)

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: `repeat-tie-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `RepeatTie` (page 492), and `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493).

`Rest_engraver` (page 339)

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: `rest-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Rest` (page 493).

`Rhythmic_column_engraver` (page 340)

Generate `NoteColumn`, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteColumn` (page 478).

`Script_column_engraver` (page 340)

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `ScriptColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptColumn` (page 496).

Script_engraver (page 340)

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

scriptDefinitions (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Script** (page 495).

Slash_repeat_engraver (page 341)

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: **repeat-slash-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), and **RepeatSlash** (page 491).

Slur_engraver (page 342)

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **slur-event** (page 55),

Properties (read)

doubleSlurs (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

slurMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Slur** (page 500).

Spanner_break_forbid_engraver (page 343)

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

Stem_engraver (page 344)

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-event** (page 57), and **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Text_engraver (page 347)

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: **text-script-event** (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextScript** (page 527).

Text_spanner_engraver (page 347)

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **text-span-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TextSpanner** (page 529).

Tie_engraver (page 347)

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: **tie-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

tieMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Tie** (page 530), and **TieColumn** (page 532).

Trill_spanner_engraver (page 350)

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Tuplet_engraver (page 350)

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

`tupletFullLength` (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

`tupletFullLengthNote` (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TupletBracket` (page 539), and `TupletNumber` (page 541).

2.2 Engravers and Performers

See Section “Modifying context plug-ins” in *Notation Reference*.

2.2.1 Accidental_engraver

Make accidentals. Catch note heads, ties and notices key-change events. This engraver usually lives at Staff level, but reads the settings for Accidental at Voice level, so you can `\override` them at Voice.

Properties (read)

`accidentalGrouping` (symbol)

If set to 'voice, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

`autoAccidentals` (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context.

The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (`#t` . `#f`) does not make sense.

`autoCautionaries` (list)

List similar to `autoAccidentals`, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

harmonicAccidentals (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal time-keeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #'((6 . ,FLAT))`.

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter* *barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

Properties (write)

localAlterations (list)

The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain ((*octave* . *name*) . (*alter* *barnumber* . *measureposition*)) pairs.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), and **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

Accidental_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **Staff** (page 237), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.2 Alteration_glyph_engraver

Set the **glyph-name-alist** of all grobs having the **accidental-switch-interface** to the value of the context's **alterationGlyphs** property, when defined.

Properties (read)

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., -1/2 for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

Alteration_glyph_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChordNames** (page 67), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **NoteNames** (page 181), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.3 Ambitus_engraver

Create an ambitus.

Properties (read)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step* . *alter*) or ((*octave* . *step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #'((6 . ,FLAT))`.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at `clefPosition` and `clefGlyph`.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at `cueClefPosition` and `cueClefGlyph`.

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by `middleCClefPosition`. This is used for ottava brackets.

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, `traditional`, or `semitone`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `AccidentalPlacement` (page 371), `Ambitus` (page 373), `AmbitusAccidental` (page 375), `AmbitusLine` (page 375), and `AmbitusNoteHead` (page 376).

`Ambitus_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.4 Arpeggio_engraver

Generate an Arpeggio symbol.

Music types accepted: `arpeggio-event` (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Arpeggio_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.5 Auto_beam_engraver

Generate beams based on measure characteristics and observed Stems. Uses `baseMoment`, `beatStructure`, `beamExceptions`, `measureLength`, and `measurePosition` to decide when to start and stop a beam. Overriding beaming is done through Section 2.2.133 [`Stem_engraver`], page 344, properties `stemLeftBeamCount` and `stemRightBeamCount`.

Music types accepted: `beam-forbid-event` (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Auto_beam_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.6 Axis_group_engraver

Group all objects created in this context in a **VerticalAxisGroup** spanner.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

keepAliveInterfaces (list)

A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.

Properties (write)

hasAxisGroup (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545).

Axis_group_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChordNames** (page 67), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **Dynamics** (page 96), **FiguredBass** (page 99), **FretBoards** (page 101), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **Lyrics** (page 157), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **NoteNames** (page 181), **OneStaff** (page 185), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **RhythmicStaff** (page 210), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.7 Balloon_engraver

Create balloon texts.

Music types accepted: **annotate-output-event** (page 48),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BalloonText** (page 378).

Balloon_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.8 Bar_engraver

Create barlines. This engraver is controlled through the `whichBar` property. If it has no bar line to create, it will forbid a linebreak at this point. This engraver is required to trigger the creation of clefs at the start of systems.

Properties (read)

`measureBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at a measure boundary.

`whichBar` (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BarLine` (page 380).

`Bar_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.9 Bar_number_engraver

A bar number may be created at any bar line, subject to the `barNumberVisibility` callback. By default, it is put on top of all staves and appears only at the left side of the staff. The staves are taken from `stavesFound`, which is maintained by Section 2.2.128 [`Staff_collecting_engraver`], page 343. This engraver usually creates `BarNumber` grobs, but when `centerBarNumbers` is true, it makes `CenteredBarNumber` grobs instead.

Properties (read)

`alternativeNumber` (non-negative, exact integer)

When set, the index of the current `\alternative` element, starting from one. Not set outside of alternatives. Note the distinction from volta number: an alternative may pertain to multiple volte.

`alternativeNumberingStyle` (symbol)

The scheme and style for numbering bars in repeat alternatives. If not set (the default), bar numbers continue through alternatives. Can be set to `numbers` to reset the bar number at each alternative, or set to `numbers-with-letters` to reset and also include letter suffixes.

`barNumberFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number, measure position, and alternative number and returns a markup of the bar number to print.

`barNumberVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number and a measure position and returns whether the corresponding bar number should be printed. Note that the actual print-out of bar numbers is controlled with the `break-visibility` property.

The following procedures are predefined:

`all-bar-numbers-visible`

Enable bar numbers for all bars, including the first one and broken bars (which get bar numbers in parentheses).

first-bar-number-invisible

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. If the first bar is broken, it doesn't get a bar number either.

first-bar-number-invisible-save-broken-bars

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. A broken first bar gets a bar number.

first-bar-number-invisible-and-no-parenthesized-bar-numbers

Enable bar numbers for all bars except the first bar and broken bars. This is the default.

(every-nth-bar-number-visible *n*)

Assuming *n* is value 2, for example, this enables bar numbers for bars 2, 4, 6, etc.

(modulo-bar-number-visible *n m*)

If bar numbers 1, 4, 7, etc., should be enabled, *n* (the modulo) must be set to 3 and *m* (the division remainder) to 1.

centerBarNumbers (boolean)

Whether to center bar numbers in their measure instead of aligning them on the bar line.

currentBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BarNumber** (page 383), and **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397).

Bar_number_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: Score** (page 213).

2.2.10 Beam_collision_engraver

Help beams avoid colliding with notes and clefs in other voices.

Beam_collision_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: Score** (page 213).

2.2.11 Beam_engraver

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Beam_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **NullVoice** (page 183), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.12 Beam_performer

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Beam_performer is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: **ChordNames** (page 67), **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **NullVoice** (page 183), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.13 Beat_engraver

This engraver is just a functionally identical copy of Section 2.2.14 [**Beat_performer**], page 307, used for visualising its effects. You can also use it for showcasing the effects of the current **beatStructure**.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48), and **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

barExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the 'Beat_performer' at the start of each measure.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beatExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the 'Beat_performer' at the start of each beat.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

timing (boolean)

Keep administration of measure length, position, bar number, etc.? Switch off for cadenzas.

Beat_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.14 Beat_performer

This performer is intended for instantiation in ‘Voice’-like contexts. The context variable **beatExtraVelocity** is used for adding extra MIDI velocity at each beat (default 15) in accordance with **beatStructure** and an additional **barExtraVelocity** (default 10) at the start of each bar.

This is done by adding corresponding **\accent** and **\marcato** events when such note events are encountered.

Off-beat manual use of **\accent** or **\marcato** causes autogeneration of the next on-beat accent to be skipped.

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48), and **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

barExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the ‘Beat_performer’ at the start of each measure.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beatExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the ‘Beat_performer’ at the start of each beat.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

timing (boolean)

Keep administration of measure length, position, bar number, etc.? Switch off for cadenzas.

Beat_performer is not part of any context

2.2.15 Bend_engraver

Create fall spanners.

Music types accepted: **bend-after-event** (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **BendAfter** (page 390).

Bend_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout**: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.16 Bend_spanner_engraver

Engraver to print a BendSpanner.

Music types accepted: `bend-span-event` (page 49), `note-event` (page 53), and `string-number-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`stringFretFingerList` (list)

A list containing three entries. In `TabVoice` and `FretBoards` they determine the string, fret and finger to use

`supportNonIntegerFret` (boolean)

If set in `Score` the `TabStaff` will print micro-tones as $2\frac{1}{2}$

Properties (write)

`stringFretFingerList` (list)

A list containing three entries. In `TabVoice` and `FretBoards` they determine the string, fret and finger to use

`supportNonIntegerFret` (boolean)

If set in `Score` the `TabStaff` will print micro-tones as $2\frac{1}{2}$

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BendSpanner` (page 391).

`Bend_spanner_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: TabVoice` (page 258).

2.2.17 Break_align_engraver

Align grobs with corresponding `break-align-symbols` into groups, and order the groups according to `breakAlignOrder`. The left edge of the alignment gets a separate group, with a symbol `left-edge`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BreakAlignGroup` (page 393), `BreakAlignment` (page 394), and `LeftEdge` (page 457).

`Break_align_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: Score` (page 213).

2.2.18 Breathing_sign_engraver

Create a breathing sign.

Music types accepted: `breathing-event` (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BreathingSign` (page 395).

`Breathing_sign_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.19 Centered_bar_number_align_engraver

Group measure-centered bar numbers in a `CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner` so they end up on the same vertical position.

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398).

Centered_bar_number_align_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **Score** (page 213).

2.2.20 Chord_name_engraver

Catch note and rest events and generate the appropriate chordname.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

chordChanges (boolean)

Only show changes in chords scheme?

chordNameExceptions (list)

An alist of chord exceptions. Contains (*chord . markup*) entries.

chordNameExceptions (list)

An alist of chord exceptions. Contains (*chord . markup*) entries.

chordNameFunction (procedure)

The function that converts lists of pitches to chord names.

chordNoteNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for single pitches.

chordRootNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for chords.

lastChord (markup)

Last chord, used for detecting chord changes.

majorSevenSymbol (markup)

How should the major 7th be formatted in a chord name?

noChordSymbol (markup)

Markup to be displayed for rests in a ChordNames context.

Properties (write)

lastChord (markup)

Last chord, used for detecting chord changes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **ChordName** (page 399).

Chord_name_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChordNames** (page 67).

2.2.21 Chord_tremolo_engraver

Generate beams for tremolo repeats.

Music types accepted: **tremolo-span-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Chord_tremolo_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.22 Clef_engraver

Determine and set reference point for pitches.

Properties (read)

`clefGlyph` (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

`clefPosition` (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

`clefTransposition` (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

`clefTranspositionStyle` (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

`explicitClefVisibility` (vector)

'break-visibility' function for clef changes.

`forceClef` (boolean)

Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Clef` (page 400), and `ClefModifier` (page 403).

`Clef_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.23 Cluster_spanner_engraver

Engrave a cluster using `Spanner` notation.

Music types accepted: `cluster-note-event` (page 49),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ClusterSpanner` (page 404), and `ClusterSpannerBeacon` (page 405).

`Cluster_spanner_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.24 Collision_engraver

Collect `NoteColumns`, and as soon as there are two or more, put them in a `NoteCollision` object.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteCollision` (page 477).

`Collision_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.25 Completion_heads_engraver

This engraver replaces `Note_heads_engraver`. It plays some trickery to break long notes and automatically tie them into the next measure.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

Properties (read)

`completionFactor` (an exact rational or procedure)

When `Completion_heads_engraver` and `Completion_rest_engraver` need to split a note or rest with a scaled duration, such as `c2*3`, this specifies the scale factor to use for the newly-split notes and rests created by the engraver.

If `#f`, the completion engraver uses the scale-factor of each duration being split.

If set to a callback procedure, that procedure is called with the context of the completion engraver, and the duration to be split.

`completionUnit` (moment)

Sub-bar unit of completion.

`measureLength` (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

`measurePosition` (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

`timing` (boolean)

Keep administration of measure length, position, bar number, etc.? Switch off for cadenzas.

Properties (write)

`completionBusy` (boolean)

Whether a completion-note head is playing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteHead` (page 479), `Tie` (page 530), and `TieColumn` (page 532).

`Completion_heads_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.26 Completion_rest_engraver

This engraver replaces `Rest_engraver`. It plays some trickery to break long rests into the next measure.

Music types accepted: `rest-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`completionFactor` (an exact rational or procedure)

When `Completion_heads_engraver` and `Completion_rest_engraver` need to split a note or rest with a scaled duration, such as `c2*3`, this specifies the scale factor to use for the newly-split notes and rests created by the engraver.

If `#f`, the completion engraver uses the scale-factor of each duration being split.

If set to a callback procedure, that procedure is called with the context of the completion engraver, and the duration to be split.

`completionUnit` (moment)

Sub-bar unit of completion.

`measureLength` (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

`measurePosition` (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

Properties (write)

`restCompletionBusy` (boolean)

Signal whether a completion-rest is active.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Rest` (page 493).

`Completion_rest_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.27 Concurrent_hairpin_engraver

Collect concurrent hairpins.

`Concurrent_hairpin_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: Score` (page 213).

2.2.28 Control_track_performer

Properties (read)

`midiSkipOffset` (moment)

This is the accrued MIDI offset to account for time skipped via `skipTypesetting`.

`Control_track_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi: Score` (page 213).

2.2.29 Cue_clef_engraver

Determine and set reference point for pitches in cued voices.

Properties (read)

`clefTransposition` (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

`cueClefGlyph` (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

`cueClefPosition` (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

`cueClefTransposition` (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

`cueClefTranspositionStyle` (symbol)

Determines the way the `ClefModifier` grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

`explicitCueClefVisibility` (vector)

‘break-visibility’ function for cue clef changes.

`middleCCuePosition` (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at `cueClefPosition` and `cueClefGlyph`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ClefModifier` (page 403), `CueClef` (page 411), and `CueEndClef` (page 414).

`Cue_clef_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.30 `Custos_engraver`

Engrave custodes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Custos` (page 416).

`Custos_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.31 `Default_bar_line_engraver`

This engraver determines what kind of automatic bar lines should be produced, and sets `whichBar` accordingly. It should be at the same level as Section 2.2.145 [Timing_translator], page 349.

Properties (read)

`automaticBars` (boolean)

If set to false then bar lines will not be printed automatically; they must be explicitly created with a `\bar` command. Unlike the `\cadenzaOn` keyword, measures are still counted. Bar line generation will resume according to that count if this property is unset.

`barAlways` (boolean)

If set to true a bar line is drawn after each note.

`measureBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at a measure boundary.

`measureStartNow` (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

Properties (write)

`whichBar` (string)

The current bar line type, or ‘()’ if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

`Default_bar_line_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.32 `Dot_column_engraver`

Engrave dots on dotted notes shifted to the right of the note. If omitted, then dots appear on top of the notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DotColumn` (page 418).

`Dot_column_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.33 Dots_engraver

Create Section 3.1.40 [Dots], page 419, objects for Section 3.2.114 [rhythmic-head-interface], page 610s.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Dots` (page 419).

`Dots_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.34 Double_percent_repeat_engraver

Make double measure repeats.

Music types accepted: `double-percent-event` (page 50),

Properties (read)

`countPercentRepeats` (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

`measureLength` (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

`repeatCountVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when `countPercentRepeats` is set.

Properties (write)

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), and `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421).

`Double_percent_repeat_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.35 Drum_note_performer

Play drum notes.

Music types accepted: `articulation-event` (page 48), `note-event` (page 53), and `tie-event` (page 57),

`Drum_note_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `DrumVoice` (page 86).

2.2.36 Drum_notes_engraver

Generate drum note heads.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

Properties (read)

`drumStyleTable` (hash table)

A hash table which maps drums to layout settings. Predefined values: ‘drums-style’, ‘agostini-drums-style’, ‘weinberg-drums-style’, ‘timbales-style’, ‘congas-style’, ‘bongos-style’, and ‘percussion-style’.

The layout style is a hash table, containing the drum-pitches (e.g., the symbol ‘hihat’) as keys, and a list (*notehead-style script vertical-position*) as values.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteHead` (page 479), and `Script` (page 495).

`Drum_notes_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumVoice` (page 86).

2.2.37 `Duration_line_engraver`

Engraver to print a line representing the duration of a rhythmic event like `NoteHead`, `NoteColumn` or `Rest`.

Music types accepted: `duration-line-event` (page 50),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`endAtSkip` (boolean)

End `DurationLine` grob on skip-event

`startAtNoteColumn` (boolean)

Start `DurationLine` grob at entire `NoteColumn`.

`startAtSkip` (boolean)

Start `DurationLine` grob at skip-event.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DurationLine` (page 423).

`Duration_line_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.38 `Dynamic_align_engraver`

Align hairpins and dynamic texts on a horizontal line.

Properties (read)

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425).

`Dynamic_align_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.39 `Dynamic_engraver`

Create hairpins, dynamic texts and dynamic text spanners.

Music types accepted: `absolute-dynamic-event` (page 48), `break-span-event` (page 49), and `span-dynamic-event` (page 56),

Properties (read)

`crescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are ‘`hairpin`’ and ‘`text`’. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

`crescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., ‘`cresc.`’.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`decrescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘`hairpin`’ and ‘`text`’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

`decrescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘`dim.`’.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), and `Hairpin` (page 441).

`Dynamic_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.40 `Dynamic_performer`

Music types accepted: `absolute-dynamic-event` (page 48), `crescendo-event` (page 50), and `decrescendo-event` (page 50),

Properties (read)

`dynamicAbsoluteVolumeFunction` (procedure)

A procedure that takes one argument, the text value of a dynamic event, and returns the absolute volume of that dynamic event.

`instrumentEqualizer` (procedure)

A function taking a string (instrument name), and returning a (*min* . *max*) pair of numbers for the loudness range of the instrument.

`midiInstrument` (string)

Name of the MIDI instrument to use.

`midiMaximumVolume` (number)

Analogous to `midiMinimumVolume`.

`midiMinimumVolume` (number)

Set the minimum loudness for MIDI. Ranges from 0 to 1.

`Dynamic_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.41 Episema_engraver

Create an *Editio Vaticana*-style episema line.

Music types accepted: `episema-event` (page 50),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Episema` (page 429).

`Episema_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), and `VaticanaVoice` (page 279).

2.2.42 Extender_engraver

Create lyric extenders.

Music types accepted: `completize-extender-event` (page 50), and `extender-event` (page 50),

Properties (read)

`extendersOverRests` (boolean)

Whether to continue extenders as they cross a rest.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `LyricExtender` (page 460).

`Extender_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Lyrics` (page 157).

2.2.43 Figured_bass_engraver

Make figured bass numbers.

Music types accepted: `bass-figure-event` (page 48), and `rest-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`figuredBassAlterationDirection` (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

`figuredBassCenterContinuations` (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

`figuredBassFormatter` (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

`ignoreFiguredBassRest` (boolean)

Don't swallow rest events.

`implicitBassFigures` (list)

A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.

`useBassFigureExtenders` (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BassFigure` (page 385), `BassFigureAlignment` (page 385), `BassFigureBracket` (page 387), `BassFigureContinuation` (page 387), and `BassFigureLine` (page 388).

`Figured_bass_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.44 Figured_bass_position_engraver

Position figured bass alignments over notes.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` (page 386).

`Figured_bass_position_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.45 Finger_glide_engraver

Engraver to print a line between two `Fingering` grobs.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430).

`Finger_glide_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.46 Fingering_column_engraver

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `FingeringColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `FingeringColumn` (page 434).

`Fingering_column_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.47 Fingering_engraver

Create fingering scripts.

Music types accepted: `fingering-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Fingering` (page 432).

`Fingering_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.48 Font_size_engraver

Put `fontSize` into `font-size` grob property.

Properties (read)

`fontSize` (number)

The relative size of all grobs in a context.

`Font_size_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaStaff` (page 269), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.49 Footnote_engraver

Create footnote texts.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Footnote** (page 435).

Footnote_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **Score** (page 213).

2.2.50 Forbid_line_break_engraver

Forbid line breaks when note heads are still playing at some point.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Forbid_line_break_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.51 Fretboard_engraver

Generate fret diagram from one or more events of type **NoteEvent**.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51), **note-event** (page 53), and **string-number-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

chordChanges (boolean)

Only show changes in chords scheme?

defaultStrings (list)

A list of strings to use in calculating frets for tablatures and fretboards if no strings are provided in the notes for the current moment.

highStringOne (boolean)

Whether the first string is the string with highest pitch on the instrument. This used by the automatic string selector for tablature notation.

maximumFretStretch (number)

Don't allocate frets further than this from specified frets.

minimumFret (number)

The tablature auto string-selecting mechanism selects the highest string with a fret at least **minimumFret**.

noteToFretFunction (procedure)

Convert list of notes and list of defined strings to full list of strings and fret numbers. Parameters: The context, a list of note events, a list of tabstring events, and the fretboard grob if a fretboard is desired.

predefinedDiagramTable (hash table)

The hash table of predefined fret diagrams to use in **FretBoards**.

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

tablatureFormat (procedure)

A function formatting a tablature note head. Called with three arguments: context, string number and, fret number. It returns the text as a markup.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **FretBoard** (page 436).

Fretboard_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **FretBoards** (page 101).

2.2.52 Glissando_engraver

Engrave glissandi.

Music types accepted: **glissando-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

glissandoMap (list)

A map in the form of `'((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn))` showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value `'()` will default to `'((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n))`, where `n` is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

Glissando_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.53 Grace_auto_beam_engraver

Generates one autobeam group across an entire grace phrase. As usual, any manual beaming or `\noBeam` will block autobeaming, just like setting the context property `'autoBeaming'` to `##f`.

Music types accepted: **beam-forbid-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_auto_beam_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.54 Grace_beam_engraver

Handle **Beam** events by engraving beams. If omitted, then notes are printed with flags instead of beams. Only engraves beams when we are at grace points in time.

Music types accepted: **beam-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

subdivideBeams (boolean)

If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

Grace_beam_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.55 Grace_engraver

Set font size and other properties for grace notes.

Properties (read)

graceSettings (list)

Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the `add-grace-property` function.

Grace_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.56 Grace_spacing_engraver

Bookkeeping of shortest starting and playing notes in grace note runs.

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **GraceSpacing** (page 440).

Grace_spacing_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **Score** (page 213).

2.2.57 Grid_line_span_engraver

This engraver makes cross-staff lines: It catches all normal lines and draws a single span line across them.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **GridLine** (page 440).

Grid_line_span_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.58 Grid_point_engraver

Generate grid points.

Properties (read)

gridInterval (moment)

Interval for which to generate **GridPoints**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **GridPoint** (page 441).

Grid_point_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.59 Grob_pq_engraver

Administrates when certain grobs (e.g., note heads) stop playing.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Properties (write)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

Grob_pq_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **NullVoice** (page 183), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaStaff** (page 269), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.60 Horizontal_bracket_engraver

Create horizontal brackets over notes for musical analysis purposes.

Music types accepted: **note-grouping-event** (page 53),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **HorizontalBracket** (page 443), and **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444).

Horizontal_bracket_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.61 Hyphen_engraver

Create lyric hyphens, vowel transitions and distance constraints between words.

Music types accepted: **hyphen-event** (page 51), and **vowel-transition-event** (page 58),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **LyricHyphen** (page 461), **LyricSpace** (page 462), and **VowelTransition** (page 550).

Hyphen_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **Lyrics** (page 157).

2.2.62 Instrument_name_engraver

Create a system start text for instrument or vocal names.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

instrumentName (markup)

The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See **instrumentName**.

shortVocalName (markup)
Name of a vocal line, short version.

vocalName (markup)
Name of a vocal line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentName** (page 445).

Instrument_name_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChoirStaff** (page 65), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **FretBoards** (page 101), **GrandStaff** (page 103), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **Lyrics** (page 157), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **PianoStaff** (page 207), **RhythmicStaff** (page 210), **Staff** (page 237), **StaffGroup** (page 247), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.63 **Instrument_switch_engraver**

Create a cue text for taking instrument.

This engraver is deprecated.

Properties (read)

instrumentCueName (markup)
The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.
This property is deprecated

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446).

Instrument_switch_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.64 **Jump_engraver**

This engraver creates instructions such as *D.C.* and *Fine*, placing them vertically outside the set of staves given in the **stavesFound** context property.

If **Jump_engraver** is added or moved to another context, **Staff_collecting_engraver** (page 343), also needs to be there so that marks appear at the intended Y location.

Music types accepted: **ad-hoc-jump-event** (page 48), **dal-segno-event** (page 50), and **fine-event** (page 50),

Properties (read)

codaMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)
Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

codaMarkFormatter (procedure)
A procedure that creates a coda mark (which in conventional *D.S. al Coda* form indicates the start of the alternative endings), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

dalSegnoTextFormatter (procedure)
Format a jump instruction such as *D.S.*
The first argument is the context.
The second argument is the number of times the instruction is performed.

The third argument is a list of three markups: *start-markup*, *end-markup*, and *next-markup*.

If *start-markup* is **#f**, the form is *da capo*; otherwise the form is *dal segno* and *start-markup* is the sign at the start of the repeated section.

If *end-markup* is not **#f**, it is either the sign at the end of the main body of the repeat, or it is a *Fine* instruction. When it is a *Fine* instruction, *next-markup* is **#f**.

If *next-markup* is not **#f**, it is the mark to be jumped to after performing the body of the repeat, e.g. Coda.

finalFineTextVisibility (boolean)

Whether `\fine` at the written end of the music should create a *Fine* instruction.

fineText (markup)

The text to print at `\fine`.

segnoMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

segnoMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a segno (which conventionally indicates the start of a repeated section), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

stavesFound (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **JumpScript** (page 447).

Jump_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **Score** (page 213).

2.2.65 Keep_alive_together_engraver

This engraver collects all **Hara_kiri_group_spanners** that are created in contexts at or below its own. These spanners are then tied together so that one will be removed only if all are removed. For example, if a **StaffGroup** uses this engraver, then the staves in the group will all be visible as long as there is a note in at least one of them.

Keep_alive_together_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **PianoStaff** (page 207).

2.2.66 Key_engraver

Engrave a key signature.

Music types accepted: **key-change-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

explicitKeySignatureVisibility (vector)

‘**break-visibility**’ function for explicit key changes. ‘**\override**’ of the **break-visibility** property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

extraNatural (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

keyAlterationOrder (list)

A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is *(step . alter)*, where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing *(step . alter)* or *((octave . step) . alter)*, where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #'((6 . ,FLAT))`.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at `clefPosition` and `clefGlyph`.

printKeyCancellation (boolean)

Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.

Properties (write)

keyAlterations (list)

The current key signature. This is an alist containing *(step . alter)* or *((octave . step) . alter)*, where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. `keyAlterations = #'((6 . ,FLAT))`.

lastKeyAlterations (list)

Last key signature before a key signature change.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `KeyCancellation` (page 449), and `KeySignature` (page 451).

`Key_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.67 Key_performer

Music types accepted: `key-change-event` (page 51),

Properties (read)

instrumentTransposition (pitch)

Define the transposition of the instrument. Its value is the pitch that sounds when the instrument plays written middle C. This is used to transpose the MIDI output, and `\quotes`.

`Key_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.68 Kievan_ligature_engraver

Handle `Kievan_ligature_events` by glueing Kievan heads together.

Music types accepted: `ligature-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `KievanLigature` (page 454).

`Kievan_ligature_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `KievanVoice` (page 146).

2.2.69 Laissez_vibrer_engraver

Create `laissez vibrer` items.

Music types accepted: `laissez-vibrer-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), and `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456).

`Laissez_vibrer_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.70 Ledger_line_engraver

Create the spanner to draw ledger lines, and notices objects that need ledger lines.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `LedgerLineSpanner` (page 456).

`Ledger_line_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.71 Ligature_bracket_engraver

Handle `Ligature_events` by engraving `Ligature` brackets.

Music types accepted: `ligature-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `LigatureBracket` (page 459).

`Ligature_bracket_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `TabVoice` (page 258), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.72 Lyric_engraver

Engrave text for lyrics.

Music types accepted: `lyric-event` (page 52),

Properties (read)

`ignoreMelismata` (boolean)

Ignore melismata for this Section “Lyrics” in *Internals Reference* line.

`lyricMelismaAlignment` (number)

Alignment to use for a melisma syllable.

`searchForVoice` (boolean)

Signal whether a search should be made of all contexts in the context hierarchy for a voice to provide rhythms for the lyrics.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `LyricText` (page 462).

`Lyric_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Lyrics` (page 157).

2.2.73 Lyric_performer

Music types accepted: `lyric-event` (page 52),

`Lyric_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi: Lyrics` (page 157).

2.2.74 Mark_engraver

This engraver creates rehearsal, segno, and coda marks, and section labels.

`Mark_engraver` creates marks, formats them, and places them vertically outside the set of staves given in the `stavesFound` context property.

If `Mark_engraver` is added or moved to another context, `Staff_collecting_engraver` (page 343), also needs to be there so that marks appear at the intended Y location.

By default, `Mark_engravers` in multiple contexts create a common sequence of marks chosen by the Score-level `Mark_tracking_translator` (page 328). If independent sequences are desired, multiple `Mark_tracking_translators` must be used.

Properties (read)

`codaMarkFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure that creates a coda mark (which in conventional *D.S. al Coda* form indicates the start of the alternative endings), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

`currentMarkEvent` (stream event)

The event selected by `Mark_tracking_translator` for engraving by `Mark_engraver`.

`rehearsalMarkFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments the context and the sequence number of the rehearsal mark. It should return the formatted mark as a markup object.

`segnoMarkFormatter` (procedure)

A procedure that creates a segno (which conventionally indicates the start of a repeated section), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `CodaMark` (page 405), `RehearsalMark` (page 489), `SectionLabel` (page 496), and `SegnoMark` (page 498).

`Mark_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: Score` (page 213).

2.2.75 Mark_performer

This performer emits MIDI markers for rehearsal, segno, and coda marks, and section labels. The MIDI markers are derived from markup that is generated as in the `Mark_engraver`.

Properties (read)

`currentMarkEvent` (stream event)

The event selected by `Mark_tracking_translator` for engraving by `Mark_engraver`.

`Mark_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi: Score` (page 213).

2.2.76 Mark_tracking_translator

This translator chooses which mark `Mark_engraver` should engrave.

Music types accepted: `ad-hoc-mark-event` (page 48), `coda-mark-event` (page 49), `rehearsal-mark-event` (page 54), `section-label-event` (page 55), and `segno-mark-event` (page 55),

Properties (read)

`codaMarkCount` (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

`rehearsalMark` (integer)

The next rehearsal mark to print.

`segnoMarkCount` (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

Properties (write)

`codaMarkCount` (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

`currentMarkEvent` (stream event)

The event selected by `Mark_tracking_translator` for engraving by `Mark_engraver`.

`rehearsalMark` (integer)

The next rehearsal mark to print.

`segnoMarkCount` (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.

`Mark_tracking_translator` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: Score` (page 213); in `\midi: Score` (page 213).

2.2.77 Measure_counter_engraver

This engraver numbers ranges of measures, which is useful in parts as an aid for counting repeated measures. There is no requirement that the affected measures be repeated, however. The user delimits the area to receive a count with `\startMeasureCount` and `\stopMeasureCount`.

Music types accepted: `measure-counter-event` (page 52),

Properties (read)

`currentBarNumber` (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`measurePosition` (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MeasureCounter` (page 464).

`Measure_counter_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.78 `Measure_grouping_engraver`

Create `MeasureGrouping` to indicate beat subdivision.

Properties (read)

`baseMoment` (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

`beatStructure` (list)

List of `baseMoments` that are combined to make beats.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`measurePosition` (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MeasureGrouping` (page 466).

`Measure_grouping_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.79 `Measure_spanner_engraver`

This engraver creates spanners bounded by the columns that start and end measures in response to `\startMeasureSpanner` and `\stopMeasureSpanner`.

Music types accepted: `measure-spanner-event` (page 52),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`measurePosition` (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MeasureSpanner` (page 467).

`Measure_spanner_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.80 `Melody_engraver`

Create information for context dependent typesetting decisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MelodyItem` (page 468).

`Melody_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.81 `Mensural_ligature_engraver`

Handle `Mensural_ligature_events` by glueing special ligature heads together.

Music types accepted: `ligature-event` (page 51),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MensuralLigature` (page 468).

`Mensural_ligature_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`:

`MensuralVoice` (page 170), and `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197).

2.2.82 Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver

Engraver to merge multi-measure rest numbers in multiple voices.

This works by gathering all multi-measure rest numbers at a time step. If they all have the same text and there are at least two only the first one is retained and the others are hidden.

`Merge_mmrest_numbers_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.83 Merge_rests_engraver

Engraver to merge rests in multiple voices on the same staff. This works by gathering all rests at a time step. If they are all of the same length and there are at least two they are moved to the correct location as if there were one voice.

Properties (read)

`suspendRestMerging` (boolean)

When using the `Merge_rest_engraver` do not merge rests when this is set to true.

`Merge_rests_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.84 Metronome_mark_engraver

Engrave metronome marking. This delegates the formatting work to the function in the `metronomeMarkFormatter` property. The mark is put over all staves. The staves are taken from the `stavesFound` property, which is maintained by Section 2.2.128 [`Staff_collecting_engraver`], page 343.

Music types accepted: `tempo-change-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`metronomeMarkFormatter` (procedure)

How to produce a metronome markup. Called with two arguments: a `TempoChangeEvent` and context.

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

`tempoHideNote` (boolean)

Hide the note = count in tempo marks.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `MetronomeMark` (page 469).

`Metronome_mark_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.85 Midi_control_change_performer

This performer listens to `SetProperty` events on context properties for generating MIDI control changes and prepares them for MIDI output.

Properties (read)

midiBalance (number)

Stereo balance for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from -1 to 1, where the values -1 (**#LEFT**), 0 (**#CENTER**) and 1 (**#RIGHT**) correspond to leftmost emphasis, center balance, and rightmost emphasis, respectively.

midiChorusLevel (number)

Chorus effect level for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

midiExpression (number)

Expression control for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

midiPanPosition (number)

Pan position for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from -1 to 1, where the values -1 (**#LEFT**), 0 (**#CENTER**) and 1 (**#RIGHT**) correspond to hard left, center, and hard right, respectively.

midiReverbLevel (number)

Reverb effect level for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

Midi_control_change_performer is part of the following context(s) in **\midi**:

DrumStaff (page 80), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **RhythmicStaff** (page 210), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.86 Multi_measure_rest_engraver

Engrave multi-measure rests that are produced with 'R'. It reads **measureStartNow** and **internalBarNumber** to determine what number to print over the Section 3.1.83 [**MultiMeasureRest**], page 470.

Music types accepted: **multi-measure-articulation-event** (page 52), **multi-measure-rest-event** (page 52), and **multi-measure-text-event** (page 52),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal time-keeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

restNumberThreshold (number)

If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

Multi_measure_rest_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout**: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.87 New_fingering_engraver

Create fingering scripts for notes in a new chord. This engraver is ill-named, since it also takes care of articulations and harmonic note heads.

Properties (read)

fingeringOrientations (list)

A list of symbols, containing ‘left’, ‘right’, ‘up’ and/or ‘down’. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

harmonicDots (boolean)

If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.

stringNumberOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

strokeFingerOrientations (list)

See **fingeringOrientations**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Fingering** (page 432), **Script** (page 495), **StringNumber** (page 515), and **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

New_fingering_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout**: **CueVoice** (page 69), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.88 Note_head_line_engraver

Engrave a line between two note heads in a staff switch if **followVoice** is set.

Properties (read)

followVoice (boolean)

If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **VoiceFollower** (page 547).

Note_head_line_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout**: **CueVoice** (page 69), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.89 Note_heads_engraver

Generate note heads.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

staffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

Note_heads_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout**: **CueVoice** (page 69), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **NullVoice** (page 183), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.90 Note_name_engraver

Print pitches as words.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

noteNameFunction (procedure)

Function used to convert pitches into strings and markups.

noteNameSeparator (string)

String used to separate simultaneous **NoteName** objects.

printAccidentalNames (boolean or symbol)

Print accidentals in the **NoteNames** context.

printNotesLanguage (string)

Use a specific language in the **NoteNames** context.

printOctaveNames (boolean or symbol)

Print octave marks in the **NoteNames** context.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteName** (page 480).

Note_name_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: NoteNames** (page 181).

2.2.91 Note_performer

Music types accepted: **articulation-event** (page 48), **breathing-event** (page 49), **note-event** (page 53), and **tie-event** (page 57),

Note_performer is part of the following context(s) in **\midi: ChordNames** (page 67), **CueVoice** (page 69), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.92 Note_spacing_engraver

Generate **NoteSpacing**, an object linking horizontal lines for use in spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

Note_spacing_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.93 Ottava_spanner_engraver

Create a text spanner when the ottavation property changes.

Music types accepted: **ottava-event** (page 53),

Properties (read)

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition**.
This is used for ottava brackets.

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

Ottava_spanner_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **Staff** (page 237), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.94 Output_property_engraver

Apply a procedure to any grob acknowledged.

Music types accepted: **apply-output-event** (page 48),

Output_property_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChoirStaff** (page 65), **ChordNames** (page 67), **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumStaff** (page 80), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **Dynamics** (page 96), **FretBoards** (page 101), **GrandStaff** (page 103), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **PianoStaff** (page 207), **RhythmicStaff** (page 210), **Score** (page 213), **Staff** (page 237), **StaffGroup** (page 247), **TabStaff** (page 249), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaStaff** (page 269), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.95 Page_turn_engraver

Decide where page turns are allowed to go.

Music types accepted: **break-event** (page 49),

Properties (read)

minimumPageTurnLength (moment)

Minimum length of a rest for a page turn to be allowed.

minimumRepeatLengthForPageTurn (moment)

Minimum length of a repeated section for a page turn to be allowed within that section.

Page_turn_engraver is not part of any context

2.2.96 Paper_column_engraver

Take care of generating columns.

This engraver decides whether a column is breakable. The default is that a column is always breakable. However, every **Bar_engraver** that does not have a barline at a certain point will set **forbidBreaks** in the score context to stop line breaks. In practice, this means that you can make a break point by creating a bar line (assuming that there are no beams or notes that prevent a break point).

Music types accepted: **break-event** (page 49), and **label-event** (page 51),

Properties (read)

forbidBreak (boolean)

If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.

Properties (write)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`forbidBreak` (boolean)

If set to `#t`, prevent a line break at this point.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NonMusicalPaperColumn` (page 476), and `PaperColumn` (page 483).

`Paper_column_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.97 `Parenthesis_engraver`

Parenthesize objects whose `parenthesize` property is `#t`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Parentheses` (page 484).

`Parenthesis_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.98 `Part_combine_engraver`

Part combine engraver for orchestral scores: Print markings ‘a2’, ‘Solo’, ‘Solo II’, and ‘unisono’.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53), and `part-combine-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`aDueText` (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

`partCombineTextsOnNote` (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

`printPartCombineTexts` (boolean)

Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?

`soloIIText` (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice ‘two’ when part-combining.

`soloText` (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `CombineTextScript` (page 407).

`Part_combine_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.99 `Percent_repeat_engraver`

Make whole measure repeats.

Music types accepted: `percent-event` (page 54),

Properties (read)

`countPercentRepeats` (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`repeatCountVisibility` (procedure)

A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when `countPercentRepeats` is set.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PercentRepeat** (page 484), and **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485).

Percent_repeat_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.100 Phrasing_slur_engraver

Print phrasing slurs. Similar to Section 2.2.119 [**Slur_engraver**], page 342.

Music types accepted: **note-event** (page 53), and **phrasing-slur-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **PhrasingSlur** (page 487).

Phrasing_slur_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.101 Piano_pedal_align_engraver

Align piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

Piano_pedal_align_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **DrumStaff** (page 80), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.102 Piano_pedal_engraver

Engrave piano pedal symbols and brackets.

Music types accepted: **sostenuto-event** (page 55), **sustain-event** (page 57), and **una-corda-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

pedalSostenutoStrings (list)

See **pedalSustainStrings**.

pedalSostenutoStyle (symbol)

See **pedalSustainStyle**.

pedalSustainStrings (list)

A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up updown down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.

`pedalSustainStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: `text`, `bracket` or `mixed` (both).

`pedalUnaCordaStrings` (list)

See `pedalSustainStrings`.

`pedalUnaCordaStyle` (symbol)

See `pedalSustainStyle`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `PianoPedalBracket` (page 488), `SostenutoPedal` (page 502), `SustainPedal` (page 518), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

`Piano_pedal_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.103 `Piano_pedal_performer`

Music types accepted: `sostenuto-event` (page 55), `sustain-event` (page 57), and `una-corda-event` (page 58),

`Piano_pedal_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.104 `Pitch_squash_engraver`

Set the vertical position of note heads to `squashedPosition`, if that property is set. This can be used to make a single-line staff demonstrating the rhythm of a melody.

Properties (read)

`squashedPosition` (integer)

Vertical position of squashing for Section “Pitch_squash_engraver” in *Internals Reference*.

`Pitch_squash_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `NullVoice` (page 183), and `RhythmicStaff` (page 210).

2.2.105 `Pitched_trill_engraver`

Print the bracketed note head after a note head with trill.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), and `TrillPitchHead` (page 536).

`Pitched_trill_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.106 `Pure_from_neighbor_engraver`

Coordinates items that get their pure heights from their neighbors.

`Pure_from_neighbor_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.107 Repeat_acknowledge_engraver

This translator chooses a bar line based on `repeatCommands` and a variety of events pertaining to the structure of the piece. It sets `whichBar` to the chosen bar line if it has not been set by the user.

Music types accepted: `ad-hoc-jump-event` (page 48), `coda-mark-event` (page 49), `dal-segno-event` (page 50), `fine-event` (page 50), `section-event` (page 55), `segno-mark-event` (page 55), and `volta-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`doubleRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where the end of one `\repeat volta` coincides with the start of another. The default is `':...:'`.

`doubleRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of one `\repeat volta` and the beginning of another. The default is `':|.S|:'`.

`endRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|.'`.

`endRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|.S'`.

`fineBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at `\fine`. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is `'|.'`.

`fineSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with `\fine`. The default is `'|.S'`.

`fineStartRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with `\fine` and the start of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `'|.S|:'`.

`measureBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at a measure boundary.

`repeatCommands` (list)

This property is a list of commands of the form (list 'volta x), where x is a string or #f. 'end-repeat is also accepted as a command.

`sectionBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at `\section`. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is `'||'`.

`segnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at an in-staff segno. The default is `'S'`.

`segnoStyle` (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print a segno: `bar-line` or `mark`.

`startRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at the start of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `'.|:'`.

startRepeatSegnoBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** where an in-staff segno coincides with the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is 'S.|:'.

underlyingRepeatBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at points of repetition or departure where no bar line would normally appear, for example at the end of a system broken in mid measure where the next system begins with a segno. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is '||'.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Properties (write)

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use **\bar** or related commands to set it.

Repeat_acknowledge_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: Score** (page 213).

2.2.108 Repeat_tie_engraver

Create repeat ties.

Music types accepted: **repeat-tie-event** (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493).

Repeat_tie_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.109 Rest_collision_engraver

Handle collisions of rests.

Properties (read)

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment* . *grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **RestCollision** (page 494).

Rest_collision_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: DrumStaff** (page 80), **GregorianTranscriptionStaff** (page 105), **InternalGregorianStaff** (page 126), **KievanStaff** (page 136), **MensuralStaff** (page 160), **PetrucchiStaff** (page 186), **Staff** (page 237), **TabStaff** (page 249), and **VaticanaStaff** (page 269).

2.2.110 Rest_engraver

Engrave rests.

Music types accepted: **rest-event** (page 54),

Properties (read)

`middleCPosition` (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Rest` (page 493).

`Rest_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.111 `Rhythmic_column_engraver`

Generate `NoteColumn`, an object that groups stems, note heads, and rests.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `NoteColumn` (page 478).

`Rhythmic_column_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.112 `Script_column_engraver`

Find potentially colliding scripts and put them into a `ScriptColumn` object; that will fix the collisions.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptColumn` (page 496).

`Script_column_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.113 `Script_engraver`

Handle note scripted articulations.

Music types accepted: `articulation-event` (page 48),

Properties (read)

`scriptDefinitions` (list)

The description of scripts. This is used by the `Script_engraver` for type-setting note-superscripts and subscripts. See `scm/script.scm` for more information.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Script` (page 495).

`Script_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.114 `Script_row_engraver`

Determine order in horizontal side position elements.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ScriptRow` (page 496).

`Script_row_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.115 Separating_line_group_engraver

Generate objects for computing spacing parameters.

Properties (read)

`createSpacing` (boolean)

Create `StaffSpacing` objects? Should be set for staves.

Properties (write)

`hasStaffSpacing` (boolean)

True if the current `CommandColumn` contains items that will affect spacing.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSpacing` (page 510).

`Separating_line_group_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `FiguredBass` (page 99), `FretBoards` (page 101), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.116 Show_control_points_engraver

Create grobs to visualize control points of Bézier curves (ties and slurs) for ease of tweaking.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `ControlPoint` (page 409), and `ControlPolygon` (page 410).

`Show_control_points_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.117 Skip_typesetting_engraver

Create a `StaffEllipsis` when `skipTypesetting` is used.

Properties (read)

`skipTypesetting` (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffEllipsis` (page 507).

`Skip_typesetting_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.118 Slash_repeat_engraver

Make beat repeats.

Music types accepted: `repeat-slash-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), and `RepeatSlash` (page 491).

`Slash_repeat_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.119 Slur_engraver

Build slur grobs from slur events.

Music types accepted: `note-event` (page 53), and `slur-event` (page 55),

Properties (read)

`doubleSlurs` (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

`slurMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal if a slur is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Slur` (page 500).

`Slur_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `NullVoice` (page 183), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.120 Slur_performer

Music types accepted: `slur-event` (page 55),

`Slur_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `NullVoice` (page 183), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.121 Spacing_engraver

Make a `SpacingSpanner` and do bookkeeping of shortest starting and playing notes.

Music types accepted: `spacing-section-event` (page 56),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

`proportionalNotationDuration` (moment)

Global override for shortest-playing duration. This is used for switching on proportional notation.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpacingSpanner` (page 504).

`Spacing_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.122 Span_arpeggio_engraver

Make arpeggios that span multiple staves.

Properties (read)

`connectArpeggios` (boolean)

If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Arpeggio` (page 377).

`Span_arpeggio_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `PianoStaff` (page 207), and `StaffGroup` (page 247).

2.2.123 `Span_bar_engraver`

Make cross-staff bar lines: It catches all normal bar lines and draws a single span bar across them.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBar` (page 505).

`Span_bar_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `GrandStaff` (page 103), `PianoStaff` (page 207), and `StaffGroup` (page 247).

2.2.124 `Span_bar_stub_engraver`

Make stubs for span bars in all contexts that the span bars cross.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `SpanBarStub` (page 506).

`Span_bar_stub_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `PianoStaff` (page 207), and `StaffGroup` (page 247).

2.2.125 `Span_stem_engraver`

Connect cross-staff stems to the stems above in the system

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Stem` (page 512).

`Span_stem_engraver` is not part of any context

2.2.126 `Spanner_break_forbid_engraver`

Forbid breaks in certain spanners.

`Spanner_break_forbid_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.127 `Spanner_tracking_engraver`

Helper for creating spanners attached to other spanners. If a spanner has the `sticky-grob-interface`, the engraver tracks the spanner contained in its `sticky-host` object. When the host ends, the sticky spanner attached to it has its end announced too.

`Spanner_tracking_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.128 `Staff_collecting_engraver`

Maintain the `stavesFound` variable.

Properties (read)

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

Properties (write)

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

`Staff_collecting_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `Score` (page 213), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.129 Staff_performer

Properties (read)

`midiChannelMapping` (symbol)

How to map MIDI channels: `per staff` (default), `instrument` or `voice`.

`midiMergeUnisons` (boolean)

If true, output only one MIDI note-on event when notes with the same pitch, in the same MIDI-file track, overlap.

`midiSkipOffset` (moment)

This is the accrued MIDI offset to account for time skipped via `skipTypesetting`.

`Staff_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `Lyrics` (page 157), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `NoteNames` (page 181), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.130 Staff_symbol_engraver

Create the constellation of five (default) staff lines.

Music types accepted: `staff-span-event` (page 56),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StaffSymbol` (page 510).

`Staff_symbol_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `KievanStaff` (page 136), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), `TabStaff` (page 249), and `VaticanaStaff` (page 269).

2.2.131 Stanza_number_align_engraver

This engraver ensures that stanza numbers are neatly aligned.

`Stanza_number_align_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.132 Stanza_number_engraver

Engrave stanza numbers.

Properties (read)

`stanza` (markup)

Stanza ‘number’ to print before the start of a verse. Use in `Lyrics` context.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `StanzaNumber` (page 511).

`Stanza_number_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Lyrics` (page 157).

2.2.133 Stem_engraver

Create stems, flags and single-stem tremolos. It also works together with the beam engraver for overriding beaming.

Music types accepted: `tremolo-event` (page 57), and `tuplet-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

stemLeftBeamCount (integer)

Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note.

Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.

stemRightBeamCount (integer)

See **stemLeftBeamCount**.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **Flag** (page 434), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), and **StemTremolo** (page 514).

Stem_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.134 System_start_delimiter_engraver

Create a system start delimiter (i.e., a **SystemStartBar**, **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartSquare** spanner).

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

systemStartDelimiter (symbol)

Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff? Set to **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartBar**.

systemStartDelimiterHierarchy (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), and **SystemStartSquare** (page 524).

System_start_delimiter_engraver is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: **ChoirStaff** (page 65), **GrandStaff** (page 103), **PianoStaff** (page 207), **Score** (page 213), and **StaffGroup** (page 247).

2.2.135 Tab_note_heads_engraver

Generate one or more tablature note heads from event of type **NoteEvent**.

Music types accepted: **fingering-event** (page 51), **note-event** (page 53), and **string-number-event** (page 57),

Properties (read)

defaultStrings (list)

A list of strings to use in calculating frets for tablatures and fretboards if no strings are provided in the notes for the current moment.

fretLabels (list)

A list of strings or Scheme-formatted markups containing, in the correct order, the labels to be used for lettered frets in tablature.

highStringOne (boolean)

Whether the first string is the string with highest pitch on the instrument.
This used by the automatic string selector for tablature notation.

maximumFretStretch (number)

Don't allocate frets further than this from specified frets.

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

minimumFret (number)

The tablature auto string-selecting mechanism selects the highest string with a fret at least **minimumFret**.

noteToFretFunction (procedure)

Convert list of notes and list of defined strings to full list of strings and fret numbers. Parameters: The context, a list of note events, a list of tabstring events, and the fretboard grob if a fretboard is desired.

stringOneTopmost (boolean)

Whether the first string is printed on the top line of the tablature.

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

tablatureFormat (procedure)

A function formatting a tablature note head. Called with three arguments: context, string number and, fret number. It returns the text as a markup.

tabStaffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

A function determining the staff position of a tablature note head. Called with two arguments: the context and the string.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TabNoteHead** (page 525).

Tab_note_heads_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: TabVoice** (page 258).

2.2.136 **Tab_staff_symbol_engraver**

Create a tablature staff symbol, but look at **stringTunings** for the number of lines.

Properties (read)

stringTunings (list)

The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

Tab_staff_symbol_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: TabStaff** (page 249).

2.2.137 **Tab_tie_follow_engraver**

Adjust **TabNoteHead** properties when a tie is followed by a slur or glissando.

Tab_tie_follow_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: TabVoice** (page 258).

2.2.138 Tempo_performer

Properties (read)

`tempoWholesPerMinute` (moment)

The tempo in whole notes per minute.

`Tempo_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi: Score` (page 213).

2.2.139 Text_engraver

Create text scripts.

Music types accepted: `text-script-event` (page 57),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextScript` (page 527).

`Text_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.140 Text_spanner_engraver

Create text spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: `text-span-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`currentMusicalColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TextSpanner` (page 529).

`Text_spanner_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `Dynamics` (page 96), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.141 Tie_engraver

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: `tie-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`skipTypesetting` (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

`tieWaitForNote` (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

`tieMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `Tie` (page 530), and `TieColumn` (page 532).

`Tie_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout: CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `NoteNames` (page 181), `NullVoice` (page 183), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.142 Tie_performer

Generate ties between note heads of equal pitch.

Music types accepted: `tie-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`tieWaitForNote` (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

Properties (write)

`tieMelismaBusy` (boolean)

Signal whether a tie is present.

`Tie_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `ChordNames` (page 67), `CueVoice` (page 69), `DrumVoice` (page 86), `GregorianTranscriptionVoice` (page 115), `KievanVoice` (page 146), `MensuralVoice` (page 170), `NullVoice` (page 183), `PetrucchiVoice` (page 197), `TabVoice` (page 258), `VaticanaVoice` (page 279), and `Voice` (page 289).

2.2.143 Time_signature_engraver

Create a Section 3.1.139 [TimeSignature], page 532, whenever `timeSignatureFraction` changes.

Music types accepted: `time-signature-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`initialTimeSignatureVisibility` (vector)

break visibility for the initial time signature.

`partialBusy` (boolean)

Signal that `\partial` acts at the current timestep.

`timeSignatureFraction` (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `TimeSignature` (page 532).

`Time_signature_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `DrumStaff` (page 80), `GregorianTranscriptionStaff` (page 105), `InternalGregorianStaff` (page 126), `MensuralStaff` (page 160), `PetrucchiStaff` (page 186), `RhythmicStaff` (page 210), `Staff` (page 237), and `TabStaff` (page 249).

2.2.144 Time_signature_performer

Creates a MIDI time signature whenever `timeSignatureFraction` changes or a `\time` command is issued.

Music types accepted: `time-signature-event` (page 57),

Properties (read)

`timeSignatureFraction` (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

`Time_signature_performer` is part of the following context(s) in `\midi`: `Score` (page 213).

2.2.145 Timing_translator

This engraver adds the alias **Timing** to its containing context. Responsible for synchronizing timing information from staves. Normally in **Score**. In order to create polyrhythmic music, this engraver should be removed from **Score** and placed in **Staff**.

Music types accepted: **alternative-event** (page 48), and **bar-event** (page 48),

Properties (read)

alternativeNumberingStyle (symbol)

The scheme and style for numbering bars in repeat alternatives. If not set (the default), bar numbers continue through alternatives. Can be set to **numbers** to reset the bar number at each alternative, or set to **numbers-with-letters** to reset and also include letter suffixes.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

currentBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal time-keeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

Properties (write)

alternativeNumber (non-negative, exact integer)

When set, the index of the current **\alternative** element, starting from one. Not set outside of alternatives. Note the distinction from volta number: an alternative may pertain to multiple volte.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

currentBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

internalBarNumber (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal time-keeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.

measureLength (moment)

Length of one measure in the current time signature.

measurePosition (moment)

How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4)' is a 4/4 time signature.

Timing_translator is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: Score** (page 213); in **\midi: Score** (page 213).

2.2.146 Trill_spanner_engraver

Create trill spanner from an event.

Music types accepted: **trill-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TrillSpanner** (page 538).

Trill_spanner_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.147 Tuplet_engraver

Catch tuplet events and generate appropriate bracket.

Music types accepted: **tuplet-span-event** (page 58),

Properties (read)

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): **TupletBracket** (page 539), and **TupletNumber** (page 541).

Tuplet_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: CueVoice** (page 69), **DrumVoice** (page 86), **GregorianTranscriptionVoice** (page 115), **KievanVoice** (page 146), **MensuralVoice** (page 170), **PetrucchiVoice** (page 197), **TabVoice** (page 258), **VaticanaVoice** (page 279), and **Voice** (page 289).

2.2.148 Tweak_engraver

Read the **tweaks** property from the originating event, and set properties.

Tweak_engraver is part of the following context(s) in **\layout: Score** (page 213).

2.2.149 `Vaticana_ligature_engraver`

Handle ligatures by glueing special ligature heads together.

Music types accepted: `ligature-event` (page 51), and `pes-or-flexa-event` (page 54),

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `DotColumn` (page 418), and `VaticanaLigature` (page 544).

`Vaticana_ligature_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `VaticanaVoice` (page 279).

2.2.150 `Vertical_align_engraver`

Catch groups (staves, lyrics lines, etc.) and stack them vertically.

Properties (read)

`alignAboveContext` (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

`alignBelowContext` (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

`hasAxisGroup` (boolean)

True if the current context is contained in an axis group.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VerticalAlignment` (page 544).

`Vertical_align_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `ChoirStaff` (page 65), `GrandStaff` (page 103), `PianoStaff` (page 207), `Score` (page 213), and `StaffGroup` (page 247).

2.2.151 `Volta_engraver`

Make volta brackets.

Music types accepted: `dal-segno-event` (page 50), `fine-event` (page 50), and `volta-span-event` (page 58),

Properties (read)

`currentCommandColumn` (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

`repeatCommands` (list)

This property is a list of commands of the form (list 'volta x), where x is a string or `#f`. `'end-repeat` is also accepted as a command.

`stavesFound` (list of grobs)

A list of all staff-symbols found.

`voltaSpannerDuration` (moment)

This specifies the maximum duration to use for the brackets printed for `\alternative`. This can be used to shrink the length of brackets in the situation where one alternative is very large.

`whichBar` (string)

The current bar line type, or '()' if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

This engraver creates the following layout object(s): `VoltaBracket` (page 548), and `VoltaBracketSpanner` (page 549).

`Volta_engraver` is part of the following context(s) in `\layout`: `Score` (page 213).

2.3 Tunable context properties

accidentalGrouping (symbol)

If set to `'voice`, accidentals on the same note in different octaves may be horizontally staggered if in different voices.

additionalBassStrings (list)

The additional tablature bass-strings, which will not get a separate line in `TabStaff`. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).

additionalPitchPrefix (string)

Text with which to prefix additional pitches within a chord name.

aDueText (markup)

Text to print at a unisono passage.

alignAboveContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alignBelowContext (string)

Where to insert newly created context in vertical alignment.

alterationGlyphs (list)

Alist mapping alterations to accidental glyphs. Alterations are given as exact numbers, e.g., $-1/2$ for flat. This applies to all grobs that can print accidentals.

alternativeNumber (non-negative, exact integer)

When set, the index of the current `\alternative` element, starting from one. Not set outside of alternatives. Note the distinction from volta number: an alternative may pertain to multiple volte.

alternativeNumberingStyle (symbol)

The scheme and style for numbering bars in repeat alternatives. If not set (the default), bar numbers continue through alternatives. Can be set to `numbers` to reset the bar number at each alternative, or set to `numbers-with-letters` to reset and also include letter suffixes.

alternativeRestores (symbol list)

Timing variables that are restored to their value at the start of the first alternative in subsequent alternatives.

associatedVoice (string)

Name of the context (see `associatedVoiceType` for its type, usually `Voice`) that has the melody for this `Lyrics` line.

associatedVoiceType (symbol)

Type of the context that has the melody for this `Lyrics` line.

autoAccidentals (list)

List of different ways to typeset an accidental.

For determining when to print an accidental, several different rules are tried. The rule that gives the highest number of accidentals is used.

Each entry in the list is either a symbol or a procedure.

symbol The symbol is the name of the context in which the following rules are to be applied. For example, if *context* is Section “Score” in *Internals Reference* then all staves share accidentals, and if *context* is Section “Staff” in *Internals Reference* then all voices in the same staff share accidentals, but staves do not.

procedure The procedure represents an accidental rule to be applied to the previously specified context.

The procedure takes the following arguments:

context The current context to which the rule should be applied.

pitch The pitch of the note to be evaluated.

barnum The current bar number.

The procedure returns a pair of booleans. The first states whether an extra natural should be added. The second states whether an accidental should be printed. (**#t** . **#f**) does not make sense.

autoBeamCheck (procedure)

A procedure taking three arguments, *context*, *dir* [start/stop (-1 or 1)], and *test* [shortest note in the beam]. A non-**#f** return value starts or stops the auto beam.

autoBeaming (boolean)

If set to true then beams are generated automatically.

autoCautionaries (list)

List similar to **autoAccidentals**, but it controls cautionary accidentals rather than normal ones. Both lists are tried, and the one giving the most accidentals wins. In case of draw, a normal accidental is typeset.

automaticBars (boolean)

If set to false then bar lines will not be printed automatically; they must be explicitly created with a **\bar** command. Unlike the **\cadenzaOn** keyword, measures are still counted. Bar line generation will resume according to that count if this property is unset.

barAlways (boolean)

If set to true a bar line is drawn after each note.

barCheckSynchronize (boolean)

If true then reset **measurePosition** when finding a bar check.

barExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the 'Beat_performer' at the start of each measure.

barNumberFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number, measure position, and alternative number and returns a markup of the bar number to print.

barNumberVisibility (procedure)

A procedure that takes a bar number and a measure position and returns whether the corresponding bar number should be printed. Note that the actual print-out of bar numbers is controlled with the **break-visibility** property.

The following procedures are predefined:

all-bar-numbers-visible

Enable bar numbers for all bars, including the first one and broken bars (which get bar numbers in parentheses).

first-bar-number-invisible

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. If the first bar is broken, it doesn't get a bar number either.

first-bar-number-invisible-save-broken-bars

Enable bar numbers for all bars (including broken bars) except the first one. A broken first bar gets a bar number.

first-bar-number-invisible-and-no-parenthesized-bar-numbers

Enable bar numbers for all bars except the first bar and broken bars.
This is the default.

(every-nth-bar-number-visible *n*)

Assuming *n* is value 2, for example, this enables bar numbers for bars 2, 4, 6, etc.

(modulo-bar-number-visible *n m*)

If bar numbers 1, 4, 7, etc., should be enabled, *n* (the modulo) must be set to 3 and *m* (the division remainder) to 1.

baseMoment (moment)

Smallest unit of time that will stand on its own as a subdivided section.

beamExceptions (list)

An alist of exceptions to autobeam rules that normally end on beats.

beamHalfMeasure (boolean)

Whether to allow a beam to begin halfway through the measure in triple time, which could look like 6/8.

beatExtraVelocity (integer)

Extra MIDI velocity added by the ‘Beat_performer’ at the start of each beat.

beatStructure (list)

List of **baseMoments** that are combined to make beats.

centerBarNumbers (boolean)

Whether to center bar numbers in their measure instead of aligning them on the bar line.

chordChanges (boolean)

Only show changes in chords scheme?

chordNameExceptions (list)

An alist of chord exceptions. Contains (*chord . markup*) entries.

chordNameFunction (procedure)

The function that converts lists of pitches to chord names.

chordNameLowercaseMinor (boolean)

Downcase roots of minor chords?

chordNameSeparator (markup)

The markup object used to separate parts of a chord name.

chordNoteNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for single pitches.

chordPrefixSpacer (number)

The space added between the root symbol and the prefix of a chord name.

chordRootNamer (procedure)

A function that converts from a pitch object to a text markup. Used for chords.

clefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

clefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

clefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

clefTranspositionFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that takes the Transposition number as a string and the style as a symbol and returns a markup.

clefTranspositionStyle (symbol)

Determines the way the ClefModifier grob is displayed. Possible values are 'default', 'parenthesized' and 'bracketed'.

codaMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a coda mark (which in conventional *D.S. al Coda* form indicates the start of the alternative endings), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

completionBusy (boolean)

Whether a completion-note head is playing.

completionFactor (an exact rational or procedure)

When **Completion_heads_engraver** and **Completion_rest_engraver** need to split a note or rest with a scaled duration, such as `c2*3`, this specifies the scale factor to use for the newly-split notes and rests created by the engraver.

If `#f`, the completion engraver uses the scale-factor of each duration being split.

If set to a callback procedure, that procedure is called with the context of the completion engraver, and the duration to be split.

completionUnit (moment)

Sub-bar unit of completion.

connectArpeggios (boolean)

If set, connect arpeggios across piano staff.

countPercentRepeats (boolean)

If set, produce counters for percent repeats.

createKeyOnClefChange (boolean)

Print a key signature whenever the clef is changed.

createSpacing (boolean)

Create **StaffSpacing** objects? Should be set for staves.

crescendoSpanner (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for crescendi. Available values are 'hairpin' and 'text'. If unset, a hairpin crescendo is used.

crescendoText (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin crescendo, i.e., 'cresc.'.

cueClefGlyph (string)

Name of the symbol within the music font.

cueClefPosition (number)

Where should the center of the clef symbol go, measured in half staff spaces from the center of the staff.

cueClefTransposition (integer)

Add this much extra transposition. Values of 7 and -7 are common.

cueClefTranspositionFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that takes the Transposition number as a string and the style as a symbol and returns a markup.

`cueClefTranspositionStyle` (symbol)

Determines the way the `ClefModifier` grob is displayed. Possible values are ‘default’, ‘parenthesized’ and ‘bracketed’.

`currentBarNumber` (integer)

Contains the current barnumber. This property is incremented at every bar line.

`dalSegnoTextFormatter` (procedure)

Format a jump instruction such as *D.S.*

The first argument is the context.

The second argument is the number of times the instruction is performed.

The third argument is a list of three markups: *start-markup*, *end-markup*, and *next-markup*.

If *start-markup* is **#f**, the form is *da capo*; otherwise the form is *dal segno* and *start-markup* is the sign at the start of the repeated section.

If *end-markup* is not **#f**, it is either the sign at the end of the main body of the repeat, or it is a *Fine* instruction. When it is a *Fine* instruction, *next-markup* is **#f**.

If *next-markup* is not **#f**, it is the mark to be jumped to after performing the body of the repeat, e.g. *Coda*.

`decrescendoSpanner` (symbol)

The type of spanner to be used for decrescendi. Available values are ‘hairpin’ and ‘text’. If unset, a hairpin decrescendo is used.

`decrescendoText` (markup)

The text to print at start of non-hairpin decrescendo, i.e., ‘dim.’.

`defaultStrings` (list)

A list of strings to use in calculating frets for tablatures and fretboards if no strings are provided in the notes for the current moment.

`doubleRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where the end of one `\repeat volta` coincides with the start of another. The default is ‘: . . :’.

`doubleRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of one `\repeat volta` and the beginning of another. The default is ‘: | . S. | :’.

`doubleSlurs` (boolean)

If set, two slurs are created for every slurred note, one above and one below the chord.

`drumPitchTable` (hash table)

A table mapping percussion instruments (symbols) to pitches.

`drumStyleTable` (hash table)

A hash table which maps drums to layout settings. Predefined values: ‘drums-style’, ‘agostini-drums-style’, ‘weinberg-drums-style’, ‘timbales-style’, ‘congas-style’, ‘bongos-style’, and ‘percussion-style’.

The layout style is a hash table, containing the drum-pitches (e.g., the symbol ‘hihat’) as keys, and a list (*notehead-style script vertical-position*) as values.

`endAtSkip` (boolean)

End `DurationLine` grob on `skip-event`

`endRepeatBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|. '`.

`endRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with the end of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `':|.S'`.

`explicitClefVisibility` (vector)

`'break-visibility'` function for clef changes.

`explicitCueClefVisibility` (vector)

`'break-visibility'` function for cue clef changes.

`explicitKeySignatureVisibility` (vector)

`'break-visibility'` function for explicit key changes. `'\override'` of the `break-visibility` property will set the visibility for normal (i.e., at the start of the line) key signatures.

`extendersOverRests` (boolean)

Whether to continue extenders as they cross a rest.

`extraNatural` (boolean)

Whether to typeset an extra natural sign before accidentals that reduce the effect of a previous alteration.

`figuredBassAlterationDirection` (direction)

Where to put alterations relative to the main figure.

`figuredBassCenterContinuations` (boolean)

Whether to vertically center pairs of extender lines. This does not work with three or more lines.

`figuredBassFormatter` (procedure)

A routine generating a markup for a bass figure.

`figuredBassPlusDirection` (direction)

Where to put plus signs relative to the main figure.

`finalFineTextVisibility` (boolean)

Whether `\fine` at the written end of the music should create a *Fine* instruction.

`fineBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` at `\fine`. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is `'|. '`.

`fineSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with `\fine`. The default is `'|.S'`.

`fineStartRepeatSegnoBarType` (string)

Value for `whichBar` where an in-staff segno coincides with `\fine` and the start of a `\repeat volta`. The default is `'|.S.|: '`.

`fineText` (markup)

The text to print at `\fine`.

`fingeringOrientations` (list)

A list of symbols, containing `'left'`, `'right'`, `'up'` and/or `'down'`. This list determines where fingerings are put relative to the chord being fingered.

- firstClef** (boolean)
If true, create a new clef when starting a staff.
- followVoice** (boolean)
If set, note heads are tracked across staff switches by a thin line.
- fontSize** (number)
The relative size of all grobs in a context.
- forbidBreak** (boolean)
If set to **#t**, prevent a line break at this point.
- forceClef** (boolean)
Show clef symbol, even if it has not changed. Only active for the first clef after the property is set, not for the full staff.
- fretLabels** (list)
A list of strings or Scheme-formatted markups containing, in the correct order, the labels to be used for lettered frets in tablature.
- glissandoMap** (list)
A map in the form of `'((source1 . target1) (source2 . target2) (sourcen . targetn))` showing the glissandi to be drawn for note columns. The value `'()` will default to `'((0 . 0) (1 . 1) (n . n))`, where `n` is the minimal number of note-heads in the two note columns between which the glissandi occur.
- gridInterval** (moment)
Interval for which to generate **GridPoints**.
- handleNegativeFrets** (symbol)
How the automatic fret calculator should handle calculated negative frets. Values include **'ignore**, to leave them out of the diagram completely, **'include**, to include them as calculated, and **'recalculate**, to ignore the specified string and find a string where they will fit with a positive fret number.
- harmonicAccidentals** (boolean)
If set, harmonic notes in chords get accidentals.
- harmonicDots** (boolean)
If set, harmonic notes in dotted chords get dots.
- highStringOne** (boolean)
Whether the first string is the string with highest pitch on the instrument. This used by the automatic string selector for tablature notation.
- ignoreBarChecks** (boolean)
Ignore bar checks.
- ignoreBarNumberChecks** (boolean)
Ignore bar number checks.
- ignoreFiguredBassRest** (boolean)
Don't swallow rest events.
- ignoreMelismata** (boolean)
Ignore melismata for this Section "Lyrics" in *Internals Reference* line.
- implicitBassFigures** (list)
A list of bass figures that are not printed as numbers, but only as extender lines.
- includeGraceNotes** (boolean)
Do not ignore grace notes for Section "Lyrics" in *Internals Reference*.

- initialTimeSignatureVisibility** (vector)
break visibility for the initial time signature.
- instrumentCueName** (markup)
The name to print if another instrument is to be taken.
This property is deprecated
- instrumentEqualizer** (procedure)
A function taking a string (instrument name), and returning a (*min . max*) pair of numbers for the loudness range of the instrument.
- instrumentName** (markup)
The name to print left of a staff. The **instrumentName** property labels the staff in the first system, and the **shortInstrumentName** property labels following lines.
- instrumentTransposition** (pitch)
Define the transposition of the instrument. Its value is the pitch that sounds when the instrument plays written middle C. This is used to transpose the MIDI output, and \quotes.
- internalBarNumber** (integer)
Contains the current barnumber. This property is used for internal timekeeping, among others by the **Accidental_engraver**.
- keepAliveInterfaces** (list)
A list of symbols, signifying grob interfaces that are worth keeping a staff with **remove-empty** set around for.
- keyAlterationOrder** (list)
A list of pairs that defines in what order alterations should be printed. The format of an entry is (*step . alter*), where *step* is a number from 0 to 6 and *alter* from -1 (double flat) to 1 (double sharp), with exact rationals for alterations in between, e.g., 1/2 for sharp.
- keyAlterations** (list)
The current key signature. This is an alist containing (*step . alter*) or ((*octave . step*) . *alter*), where *step* is a number in the range 0 to 6 and *alter* a fraction, denoting alteration. For alterations, use symbols, e.g. **keyAlterations** = #`((6 . ,FLAT)).
- lyricMelismaAlignment** (number)
Alignment to use for a melisma syllable.
- magnifyStaffValue** (positive number)
The most recent value set with **\magnifyStaff**.
- majorSevenSymbol** (markup)
How should the major 7th be formatted in a chord name?
- maximumFretStretch** (number)
Don't allocate frets further than this from specified frets.
- measureBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at a measure boundary.
- measureLength** (moment)
Length of one measure in the current time signature.
- measurePosition** (moment)
How much of the current measure have we had. This can be set manually to create incomplete measures.

measureStartNow (boolean)

True at the beginning of a measure.

melismaBusyProperties (list)

A list of properties (symbols) to determine whether a melisma is playing. Setting this property will influence how lyrics are aligned to notes. For example, if set to '(melismaBusy beamMelismaBusy)', only manual melismata and manual beams are considered. Possible values include **melismaBusy**, **slurMelismaBusy**, **tieMelismaBusy**, and **beamMelismaBusy**.

metronomeMarkFormatter (procedure)

How to produce a metronome markup. Called with two arguments: a **TempoChangeEvent** and context.

middleCClefPosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef. This can be calculated by looking at **clefPosition** and **clefGlyph**.

middleCCuePosition (number)

The position of the middle C, as determined only by the clef of the cue notes. This can be calculated by looking at **cueClefPosition** and **cueClefGlyph**.

middleCOffset (number)

The offset of middle C from the position given by **middleCClefPosition**. This is used for ottava brackets.

middleCPosition (number)

The place of the middle C, measured in half staff-spaces. Usually determined by looking at **middleCClefPosition** and **middleCOffset**.

midiBalance (number)

Stereo balance for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from -1 to 1, where the values -1 (**#LEFT**), 0 (**#CENTER**) and 1 (**#RIGHT**) correspond to leftmost emphasis, center balance, and rightmost emphasis, respectively.

midiChannelMapping (symbol)

How to map MIDI channels: per **staff** (default), **instrument** or **voice**.

midiChorusLevel (number)

Chorus effect level for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

midiExpression (number)

Expression control for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

midiInstrument (string)

Name of the MIDI instrument to use.

midiMaximumVolume (number)

Analogous to **midiMinimumVolume**.

midiMergeUnisons (boolean)

If true, output only one MIDI note-on event when notes with the same pitch, in the same MIDI-file track, overlap.

midiMinimumVolume (number)

Set the minimum loudness for MIDI. Ranges from 0 to 1.

midiPanPosition (number)

Pan position for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from -1 to 1, where the values -1 (**#LEFT**), 0 (**#CENTER**) and 1 (**#RIGHT**) correspond to hard left, center, and hard right, respectively.

midiReverbLevel (number)

Reverb effect level for the MIDI channel associated with the current context. Ranges from 0 to 1 (0=off, 1=full effect).

minimumFret (number)

The tablature auto string-selecting mechanism selects the highest string with a fret at least **minimumFret**.

minimumPageTurnLength (moment)

Minimum length of a rest for a page turn to be allowed.

minimumRepeatLengthForPageTurn (moment)

Minimum length of a repeated section for a page turn to be allowed within that section.

minorChordModifier (markup)

Markup displayed following the root for a minor chord

noChordSymbol (markup)

Markup to be displayed for rests in a ChordNames context.

noteNameFunction (procedure)

Function used to convert pitches into strings and markups.

noteNameSeparator (string)

String used to separate simultaneous NoteName objects.

noteToFretFunction (procedure)

Convert list of notes and list of defined strings to full list of strings and fret numbers. Parameters: The context, a list of note events, a list of tabstring events, and the fretboard grob if a fretboard is desired.

nullAccidentals (boolean)

The **Accidental_engraver** generates no accidentals for notes in contexts where this is set. In addition to suppressing the printed accidental, this option removes any effect the note would have had on accidentals in other voices.

ottavaStartNow (boolean)

Is an ottava starting in this time step?

ottavation (markup)

If set, the text for an ottava spanner. Changing this creates a new text spanner.

ottavationMarkups (list)

An alist defining the markups used for ottava brackets. It contains entries of the form (*number of octaves* . *markup*).

output (music output)

The output produced by a score-level translator during music interpretation.

partCombineForced (symbol)

Override for the partCombine decision. Can be **apart**, **chords**, **unisono**, **solo1**, or **solo2**.

partCombineTextsOnNote (boolean)

Print part-combine texts only on the next note rather than immediately on rests or skips.

- pedalSostenutoStrings** (list)
See **pedalSustainStrings**.
- pedalSostenutoStyle** (symbol)
See **pedalSustainStyle**.
- pedalSustainStrings** (list)
A list of strings to print for sustain-pedal. Format is (*up updown down*), where each of the three is the string to print when this is done with the pedal.
- pedalSustainStyle** (symbol)
A symbol that indicates how to print sustain pedals: **text**, **bracket** or **mixed** (both).
- pedalUnaCordaStrings** (list)
See **pedalSustainStrings**.
- pedalUnaCordaStyle** (symbol)
See **pedalSustainStyle**.
- predefinedDiagramTable** (hash table)
The hash table of predefined fret diagrams to use in **FretBoards**.
- printAccidentalNames** (boolean or symbol)
Print accidentals in the **NoteNames** context.
- printKeyCancellation** (boolean)
Print restoration alterations before a key signature change.
- printNotesLanguage** (string)
Use a specific language in the **NoteNames** context.
- printOctaveNames** (boolean or symbol)
Print octave marks in the **NoteNames** context.
- printPartCombineTexts** (boolean)
Set ‘Solo’ and ‘A due’ texts in the part combiner?
- proportionalNotationDuration** (moment)
Global override for shortest-playing duration. This is used for switching on proportional notation.
- rehearsalMark** (integer)
The next rehearsal mark to print.
- rehearsalMarkFormatter** (procedure)
A procedure taking as arguments the context and the sequence number of the rehearsal mark. It should return the formatted mark as a markup object.
- repeatCommands** (list)
This property is a list of commands of the form (**list** ‘volta x’), where x is a string or **#f**. ‘end-repeat’ is also accepted as a command.
- repeatCountVisibility** (procedure)
A procedure taking as arguments an integer and context, returning whether the corresponding percent repeat number should be printed when **countPercentRepeats** is set.
- restCompletionBusy** (boolean)
Signal whether a completion-rest is active.
- restNumberThreshold** (number)
If a multimeasure rest has more measures than this, a number is printed.

restrainOpenStrings (boolean)

Exclude open strings from the automatic fret calculator.

searchForVoice (boolean)

Signal whether a search should be made of all contexts in the context hierarchy for a voice to provide rhythms for the lyrics.

sectionBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at `\section`. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is `'||'`.

segnoBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at an in-staff segno. The default is `'S'`.

segnoMarkFormatter (procedure)

A procedure that creates a segno (which conventionally indicates the start of a repeated section), taking as arguments the mark sequence number and the context. It should return a markup object.

segnoStyle (symbol)

A symbol that indicates how to print a segno: `bar-line` or `mark`.

shapeNoteStyles (vector)

Vector of symbols, listing style for each note head relative to the tonic (qv.) of the scale.

shortInstrumentName (markup)

See `instrumentName`.

shortVocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line, short version.

skipBars (boolean)

If set to true, then skip the empty bars that are produced by multimeasure notes and rests. These bars will not appear on the printed output. If not set (the default), multimeasure notes and rests expand into their full length, printing the appropriate number of empty bars so that synchronization with other voices is preserved.

```
{
  r1 r1*3 R1*3
  \set Score.skipBars= ##t
  r1*3 R1*3
}
```

skipTypesetting (boolean)

If true, no typesetting is done, speeding up the interpretation phase. Useful for debugging large scores.

slashChordSeparator (markup)

The markup object used to separate a chord name from its root note in case of inversions or slash chords.

soloIIIText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo for voice 'two' when part-combining.

soloText (markup)

The text for the start of a solo when part-combining.

squashedPosition (integer)

Vertical position of squashing for Section `"Pitch_squash_engraver"` in *Internals Reference*.

- staffLineLayoutFunction** (procedure)
Layout of staff lines, **traditional**, or **semitone**.
- stanza** (markup)
Stanza ‘number’ to print before the start of a verse. Use in **Lyrics** context.
- startAtNoteColumn** (boolean)
Start **DurationLine** grob at entire **NoteColumn**.
- startAtSkip** (boolean)
Start **DurationLine** grob at **skip-event**.
- startRepeatBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** at the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is ‘. |:’.
- startRepeatSegnoBarType** (string)
Value for **whichBar** where an in-staff segno coincides with the start of a **\repeat volta**. The default is ‘S. |:’.
- stemLeftBeamCount** (integer)
Specify the number of beams to draw on the left side of the next note. Overrides automatic beaming. The value is only used once, and then it is erased.
- stemRightBeamCount** (integer)
See **stemLeftBeamCount**.
- strictBeatBeaming** (boolean)
Should partial beams reflect the beat structure even if it causes flags to hang out?
- stringNumberOrientations** (list)
See **fingeringOrientations**.
- stringOneTopmost** (boolean)
Whether the first string is printed on the top line of the tablature.
- stringTunings** (list)
The tablature strings tuning. It is a list of the pitches of each string (starting with the lowest numbered one).
- strokeFingerOrientations** (list)
See **fingeringOrientations**.
- subdivideBeams** (boolean)
If set, multiple beams will be subdivided at **baseMoment** positions by only drawing one beam over the beat.
- suggestAccidentals** (boolean or symbol)
If set to **#t**, accidentals are typeset as suggestions above the note. Setting it to ‘cautionary only’ applies that to cautionary accidentals.
- supportNonIntegerFret** (boolean)
If set in **Score** the **TabStaff** will print micro-tones as ‘2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ’.
- suspendMelodyDecisions** (boolean)
When using the **Melody_engraver**, stop changing orientation of stems based on the melody when this is set to true.
- suspendRestMerging** (boolean)
When using the **Merge_rest_engraver** do not merge rests when this is set to true.
- systemStartDelimiter** (symbol)
Which grob to make for the start of the system/staff? Set to **SystemStartBrace**, **SystemStartBracket** or **SystemStartBar**.

systemStartDelimiterHierarchy (pair)

A nested list, indicating the nesting of a start delimiters.

tablatureFormat (procedure)

A function formatting a tablature note head. Called with three arguments: context, string number and, fret number. It returns the text as a markup.

tabStaffLineLayoutFunction (procedure)

A function determining the staff position of a tablature note head. Called with two arguments: the context and the string.

tempoHideNote (boolean)

Hide the note = count in tempo marks.

tempoWholesPerMinute (moment)

The tempo in whole notes per minute.

tieWaitForNote (boolean)

If true, tied notes do not have to follow each other directly. This can be used for writing out arpeggios.

timeSignatureFraction (fraction, as pair)

A pair of numbers, signifying the time signature. For example, '(4 . 4) is a 4/4 time signature.

timeSignatureSettings (list)

A nested alist of settings for time signatures. Contains elements for various time signatures. The element for each time signature contains entries for **baseMoment**, **beatStructure**, and **beamExceptions**.

timing (boolean)

Keep administration of measure length, position, bar number, etc.? Switch off for cadenzas.

tonic (pitch)

The tonic of the current scale.

topLevelAlignment (boolean)

If true, the *Vertical-align-engraver* will create a *VerticalAlignment*; otherwise, it will create a *StaffGrouper*

tupletFullLength (boolean)

If set, the tuplet is printed up to the start of the next note.

tupletFullLengthNote (boolean)

If set, end at the next note, otherwise end on the matter (time signatures, etc.) before the note.

tupletSpannerDuration (moment)

Normally, a tuplet bracket is as wide as the `\times` expression that gave rise to it. By setting this property, you can make brackets last shorter.

```
{
  \set tupletSpannerDuration = #(ly:make-moment 1 4)
  \times 2/3 { c8 c c c c c }
}
```

underlyingRepeatBarType (string)

Value for **whichBar** at points of repetition or departure where no bar line would normally appear, for example at the end of a system broken in mid measure where

the next system begins with a segno. Where there is also a repeat bar line, the repeat bar line takes precedence and this value is appended to it as an annotation. The default is ‘||’.

useBassFigureExtenders (boolean)

Whether to use extender lines for repeated bass figures.

vocalName (markup)

Name of a vocal line.

voltaSpannerDuration (moment)

This specifies the maximum duration to use for the brackets printed for `\alternative`. This can be used to shrink the length of brackets in the situation where one alternative is very large.

whichBar (string)

The current bar line type, or ‘()’ if there is no bar line. Setting this explicitly in user code is deprecated. Use `\bar` or related commands to set it.

2.4 Internal context properties

associatedVoiceContext (context)

The context object of the `Voice` that has the melody for this `Lyrics`.

barCheckLastFail (moment)

Where in the measure did the last `barcheck` fail?

barForced (boolean)

Set to `#t` in `Timing` context when `Timing.whichBar` has been set with `\bar`.

beamMelismaBusy (boolean)

Signal if a beam is present.

busyGrobs (list)

A queue of (*end-moment . grob*) cons cells. This is for internal (C++) use only. This property contains the grobs which are still busy (e.g. note heads, spanners, etc.).

codaMarkCount (non-negative, exact integer)

Updated at the end of each timestep in which a coda mark appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first coda mark, 1 from the first to the second, 2 from the second to the third, etc.

currentCommandColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all current breakable (clef, key signature, etc.) items.

currentMarkEvent (stream event)

The event selected by `Mark_tracking_translator` for engraving by `Mark_engraver`.

currentMusicalColumn (graphical (layout) object)

Grob that is X-parent to all non-breakable items (note heads, lyrics, etc.).

dynamicAbsoluteVolumeFunction (procedure)

A procedure that takes one argument, the text value of a dynamic event, and returns the absolute volume of that dynamic event.

finalizations (list)

A list of expressions to evaluate before proceeding to next time step. This is an internal variable.

- graceSettings** (list)
Overrides for grace notes. This property should be manipulated through the **add-grace-property** function.
- hasAxisGroup** (boolean)
True if the current context is contained in an axis group.
- hasStaffSpacing** (boolean)
True if the current **CommandColumn** contains items that will affect spacing.
- lastChord** (markup)
Last chord, used for detecting chord changes.
- lastKeyAlterations** (list)
Last key signature before a key signature change.
- localAlterations** (list)
The key signature at this point in the measure. The format is the same as for **keyAlterations**, but can also contain *((octave . name) . (alter barnumber . measureposition))* pairs.
- melismaBusy** (boolean)
Signifies whether a melisma is active. This can be used to signal melismas on top of those automatically detected.
- midiSkipOffset** (moment)
This is the accrued MIDI offset to account for time skipped via **skipTypesetting**.
- partialBusy** (boolean)
Signal that **\partial** acts at the current timestep.
- quotedCueEventTypes** (list)
A list of symbols, representing the event types that should be duplicated for **\cueDuring** commands.
- quotedEventTypes** (list)
A list of symbols, representing the event types that should be duplicated for **\quoteDuring** commands. This is also a fallback for **\cueDuring** if **quotedCueEventTypes** is not set
- rootSystem** (graphical (layout) object)
The System object.
- scriptDefinitions** (list)
The description of scripts. This is used by the **Script_engraver** for typesetting note-superscripts and subscripts. See **scm/script.scm** for more information.
- segnoMarkCount** (non-negative, exact integer)
Updated at the end of each timestep in which a segno appears: not set during the first timestep, 0 up to the first segno, 1 from the first to the second segno, 2 from the second to the third segno, etc.
- slurMelismaBusy** (boolean)
Signal if a slur is present.
- stavesFound** (list of grobs)
A list of all staff-symbols found.
- stringFretFingerList** (list)
A list containing three entries. In **TabVoice** and **FretBoards** they determine the string, fret and finger to use

`tieMelismaBusy` (boolean)
Signal whether a tie is present.

3 Backend

3.1 All layout objects

3.1.1 Accidental

Accidental objects are created by: `Accidental_engraver` (page 300).

Standard settings:

`after-line-breaking` (boolean):

`ly:accidental-interface::remove-tied`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

`alteration` (number):

`accidental-interface::calc-alteration`

Alteration numbers for accidental.

`avoid-slur` (symbol):

`'inside`

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

`extra-spacing-width` (pair of numbers):

`'(-0.2 . 0.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

`horizontal-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-interface::horizontal-skylines> >`

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:accidental-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

`vertical-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

`X-offset` (number):

`ly:grob::x-parent-positioning`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-
interface::height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-interface** (page 551), **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **inline-accidental-interface** (page 586), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.2 AccidentalCautionary

AccidentalCautionary objects are created by: **Accidental_engraver** (page 300).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:accidental-interface::remove-tied
```

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

alteration (number):

```
accidental-interface::calc-alteration
```

Alteration numbers for accidental.

avoid-slur (symbol):

```
'inside
```

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

```
'(-0.2 . 0.0)
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to **(+inf.0 . -inf.0)**.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-
interface::horizontal-skylines> >
```

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

parenthesized (boolean):

```
#t
```

Parenthesize this grob.

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:accidental-interface::print
```

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

```
ly:grob::x-parent-positioning
```

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-
interface::height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-interface** (page 551), **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **inline-accidental-interface** (page 586), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.3 AccidentalPlacement

AccidentalPlacement objects are created by: **Accidental_engraver** (page 300), and **Ambitus_engraver** (page 301).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

```
-1
```

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

right-padding (dimension, in staff space):

```
0.15
```

Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).

script-priority (number):

```
-100
```

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-placement-interface** (page 552), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.4 AccidentalSuggestion

AccidentalSuggestion objects are created by: `Accidental_engraver` (page 300).

Standard settings:

`after-line-breaking` (boolean):

`ly:accidental-interface::remove-tied`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

`alteration` (number):

`accidental-interface::calc-alteration`

Alteration numbers for accidental.

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`font-size` (number):

-2

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

0

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

`parent-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`script-priority` (number):

0

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:accidental-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-interface::height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-interface` (page 551), `accidental-suggestion-interface` (page 553), `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `script-interface` (page 610), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), and `side-position-interface` (page 614).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.5 Ambitus

Ambitus objects are created by: `Ambitus_engraver` (page 301).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(0 1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

`'ambitus`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`##f ##f ##t`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `##t` means visible, `##f` means killed.

non-musical (boolean):

`##t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

```
space-alist (list):
  '((cue-end-clef extra-space . 0.5)
    (clef extra-space . 1.15)
    (cue-clef extra-space . 0.5)
    (key-signature extra-space . 1.15)
    (staff-bar extra-space . 1.15)
    (time-signature extra-space . 1.15)
    (right-edge extra-space . 0.5)
    (first-note extra-space . 1.15))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

first-note
used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note
used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge
used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space
Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space
Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much space between the grob and the note,
such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretch-
able.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **ambitus-interface** (page 554), **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.6 AmbitusAccidental

AmbitusAccidental objects are created by: **Ambitus_engraver** (page 301).

Standard settings:

stencil (stencil):

`ly:accidental-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:grob::x-parent-positioning`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-interface::height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-interface** (page 551), **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.7 AmbitusLine

AmbitusLine objects are created by: **Ambitus_engraver** (page 301).

Standard settings:

gap (dimension, in staff space):

`ambitus-line::calc-gap`

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

length-fraction (number):

0.7

Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.

maximum-gap (number):

0.45

Maximum value allowed for **gap** property.

stencil (stencil):

ambitus::print

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

2

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

X-offset (number):

ly:self-alignment-interface::centered-on-x-parent

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **ambitus-interface** (page 554), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.8 AmbitusNoteHead

AmbitusNoteHead objects are created by: **Ambitus_engraver** (page 301).

Standard settings:

duration-log (integer):

2

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

glyph-name (string):

note-head::calc-glyph-name

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

ignore-ambitus (boolean):

#t

If set, don't consider this notehead for ambitus calculation.

stencil (stencil):

ly:note-head::print

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **ambitus-interface** (page 554), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **ledgered-interface** (page 592), **note-head-interface** (page 601), **rhythmic-head-interface** (page 610), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.9 Arpeggio

Arpeggio objects are created by: **Arpeggio_engraver** (page 302), and **Span_arpeggio_engraver** (page 342).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

line-thickness (number):

1

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

positions (pair of numbers):

ly:arpeggio::calc-positions

Pair of staff coordinates (**start** . **end**), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

protrusion (number):

0.4

In an arpeggio bracket, the length of the horizontal edges.

script-priority (number):

0

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

side-axis (number):

0

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-position (number):
 0.0
 Vertical position, measured in half staff spaces, counted from the middle line.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:arpeggio::print
 The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
 1
 For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

X-extent (pair of numbers):
 ly:arpeggio::width
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):
 ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> #<primitive-procedure ly:arpeggio::pure-height>
 >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): *arpeggio-interface* (page 554), *font-interface* (page 575), *grob-interface* (page 580), *item-interface* (page 588), *side-position-interface* (page 614), and *staff-symbol-referencer-interface* (page 623).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by *item-interface* (page 588)).

3.1.10 BalloonText

BalloonText objects are created by: *Balloon_engraver* (page 303).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):
 ly:balloon-interface::remove-irrelevant-spanner
 Dummy property, used to trigger callback for *after-line-breaking*.

annotation-balloon (boolean):
 #t
 Print the balloon around an annotation.

annotation-line (boolean):
 #t
 Print the line from an annotation to the grob that it annotates.

break-visibility (vector):
 #<procedure #f (grob)>
 A vector of 3 booleans, #(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line). #t means visible, #f means killed.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):
 '(+inf.0 . -inf.0)
 In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

stencil (stencil):
 ly:balloon-interface::print
 The symbol to print.

text (markup):
 #<procedure #f (grob)>
 Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

thickness (number):
 1.0
 For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
 ly:balloon-interface::width
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):
 #<procedure #f (grob)>
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> #<primitive-procedure ly:balloon-interface::pure-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **balloon-interface** (page 557), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **sticky-grob-interface** (page 626), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object can be of either of the following classes: **Item** (characterized by **item-interface**) or **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface**). It supports the following interfaces conditionally depending on the class: **item-interface** (page 588), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

3.1.11 BarLine

BarLine objects are created by: **Bar_engraver** (page 304).

Standard settings:

allow-span-bar (boolean):

`#t`

If false, no inter-staff bar line will be created below this bar line.

bar-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:bar-line::calc-bar-extent`

The Y-extent of the actual bar line. This may differ from **Y-extent** because it does not include the dots in a repeat bar line.

break-align-anchor (number):

`ly:bar-line::calc-anchor`

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

`'staff-bar`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`bar-line::calc-break-visibility`

A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

`pure-from-neighbor-interface::account-for-span-bar`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

gap (dimension, in staff space):

`0.4`

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

glyph (string):
 "|"

A string determining what ‘style’ of glyph is typeset. Valid choices depend on the function that is reading this property.

In combination with (span) bar lines, it is a string resembling the bar line appearance in ASCII form.

glyph-name (string):
 bar-line::calc-glyph-name

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

hair-thickness (number):
 1.9

Thickness of the thin line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

kern (dimension, in staff space):
 3.0

The space between individual elements in any compound bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

layer (integer):
 0

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

non-musical (boolean):
 #t

True if the grob belongs to a *NonMusicalPaperColumn*.

rounded (boolean)

Decide whether lines should be drawn rounded or not.

segno-kern (number):
 3.0

The space between the two thin lines of the segno bar line symbol, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

space-alist (list):

```
'((ambitus extra-space . 1.0)
  (time-signature extra-space . 0.75)
  (custos minimum-space . 2.0)
  (clef extra-space . 1.0)
  (key-signature extra-space . 1.0)
  (key-cancellation extra-space . 1.0)
  (first-note fixed-space . 1.3)
  (next-note semi-fixed-space . 0.9))
```

```
(right-edge extra-space . 0.0))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

```
first-note
    used when the grob is just left of the first note on a
    line

next-note
    used when the grob is just left of any other note; if
    not set, the value of first-note gets used

right-edge
    used when the grob is the last item on the line (only
    compatible with the extra-space spacing style)
```

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

```
extra-space
    Put this much space between the two grobs. The
    space is stretchable when paired with first-note or
    next-note; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space
    Put at least this much space between the left sides
    of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The
    space is stretchable when paired with first-note or
    next-note; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with
    right-edge.

fixed-space
    Only compatible with first-note and next-note.
    Put this much fixed space between the grob and the
    note.

minimum-fixed-space
    Only compatible with first-note and next-note.
    Put at least this much fixed space between the left
    side of the grob and the left side of the note, without
    allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space
    Only compatible with first-note and next-note.
    Put this much space between the grob and the note,
    such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretch-
    able.
```

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

```
stencil (stencil):
  ly:bar-line::print
```

The symbol to print.

thick-thickness (number):

6.0

Thickness of the thick line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `bar-line-interface` (page 558), `break-aligned-interface` (page 564), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `pure-from-neighbor-interface` (page 608).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.12 BarNumber

`BarNumber` objects are created by: `Bar_number_engraver` (page 304).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

break-align-symbols (list):

`'(left-edge staff-bar)`

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to `break-visibility`, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`#(#f #f #t)`

A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

direction (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-family (symbol):

`'roman`

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: `sans`, `roman`.

`font-size` (number):

-2

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`horizon-padding` (number):

0.05

The amount to pad the axis along which a `Skyline` is built for the `side-position-interface`.

`non-musical` (boolean):

#t

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

100

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

#<procedure #f (grob)>

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

`X-offset` (number):

`self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

`Y-extent` (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **bar-number-interface** (page 559), **break-alignable-interface** (page 563), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.13 BassFigure

BassFigure objects are created by: **Figured_bass_engraver** (page 317).

Standard settings:

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:text-interface::print
```

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **bass-figure-interface** (page 559), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.14 BassFigureAlignment

BassFigureAlignment objects are created by: **Figured_bass_engraver** (page 317).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

```
'(1)
```

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

```
0.2
```

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stacking-dir (direction):

```
-1
```

Stack objects in which direction?

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::calc-skylines
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `align-interface` (page 553), `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `bass-figure-alignment-interface` (page 559), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.15 BassFigureAlignmentPositioning

`BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` objects are created by: `Figured_bass_position_engraver` (page 318).

Standard settings:

add-stem-support (boolean):

`#t`

If set, the `Stem` object is included in this script's support.

axes (list):

`'(1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

`1`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

`0.5`

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

`1`

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

`1.0`

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.16 BassFigureBracket

BassFigureBracket objects are created by: **Figured_bass_engraver** (page 317).

Standard settings:

edge-height (pair):

```
'(0.2 . 0.2)
```

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:enclosing-bracket::print
```

The symbol to print.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:enclosing-bracket::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **enclosing-bracket-interface** (page 571), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.17 BassFigureContinuation

BassFigureContinuation objects are created by: **Figured_bass_engraver** (page 317).

Standard settings:

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:figured-bass-continuation::print
```

The symbol to print.

Y-offset (number):

```
ly:figured-bass-continuation::center-on-figures
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **figured-bass-continuation-interface** (page 572), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.18 BassFigureLine

BassFigureLine objects are created by: `Figured_bass_engraver` (page 317).

Standard settings:

```
axes (list):
  '(1)
  List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only
  one number.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
  ly:axis-group-interface::calc-skylines
  Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
  ly:axis-group-interface::width
  Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
  object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
  #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
  interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
  interface::pure-height> >
  Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
  object's reference point.
```

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `grob-interface` (page 580), `outside-staff-axis-group-interface` (page 604), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.19 Beam

Beam objects are created by: `Auto_beam_engraver` (page 302), `Beam_engraver` (page 305), `Chord_tremolo_engraver` (page 309), `Grace_auto_beam_engraver` (page 320), and `Grace_beam_engraver` (page 320).

Standard settings:

```
auto-knee-gap (dimension, in staff space):
  5.5
  If a gap is found between note heads where a horizontal beam fits and it is
  larger than this number, make a kneed beam.

beam-thickness (dimension, in staff space):
  0.48
  Beam thickness, measured in staff-space units.

beamed-stem-shorten (list):
  '(1.0 0.5 0.25)
  How much to shorten beamed stems, when their direction is forced. It is a
  list, since the value is different depending on the number of flags and beams.

beaming (pair):
  ly:beam::calc-beaming
  Pair of number lists. Each number list specifies which beams to make. 0 is
  the central beam, 1 is the next beam toward the note, etc. This information
```

is used to determine how to connect the beaming patterns from stem to stem inside a beam.

clip-edges (boolean):

#t

Allow outward pointing beamlets at the edges of beams?

collision-interfaces (list):

```
'(beam-interface
  clef-interface
  clef-modifier-interface
  flag-interface
  inline-accidental-interface
  key-signature-interface
  note-head-interface
  stem-interface
  time-signature-interface)
```

A list of interfaces for which automatic beam-collision resolution is run.

damping (number):

1

Amount of beam slope damping.

details (list):

```
'((secondary-beam-demerit . 10)
  (stem-length-demerit-factor . 5)
  (region-size . 2)
  (beam-eps . 0.001)
  (stem-length-limit-penalty . 5000)
  (damping-direction-penalty . 800)
  (hint-direction-penalty . 20)
  (musical-direction-factor . 400)
  (ideal-slope-factor . 10)
  (collision-penalty . 500)
  (collision-padding . 0.35)
  (round-to-zero-slope . 0.02))
```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction):

ly:beam::calc-direction

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

font-family (symbol):

'roman

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: **sans**, **roman**.

gap (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

neutral-direction (direction):
-1

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

normalized-endpoints (pair):
ly:spanner::calc-normalized-endpoints

Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

positions (pair of numbers):
beam::place-broken-parts-individually

Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

stencil (stencil):
ly:beam::print
The symbol to print.

transparent (boolean):
#<procedure #f (grob)>
This makes the grob invisible.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-positions (pair of numbers):
ly:beam::calc-x-positions
Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left* . *right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

This object supports the following interface(s): **beam-interface** (page 559), **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623), and **unbreakable-spanner-interface** (page 636).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.20 BendAfter

BendAfter objects are created by: **Bend_engraver** (page 307).

Standard settings:

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):
0.5

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

stencil (stencil):
bend::print
The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
2.0

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This object supports the following interface(s): *bend-after-interface* (page 561), *grob-interface* (page 580), and *spanner-interface* (page 620).

This object is of class *Spanner* (characterized by *spanner-interface* (page 620)).

3.1.21 BendSpanner

BendSpanner objects are created by: *Bend_spanner_engraver* (page 308).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):
'ignore

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are *inside*, *outside*, *around*, and *ignore*. *inside* adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. *outside* moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. *around* moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. *ignore* does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), *outside* and *around* behave like *ignore*.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):
3

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

before-line-breaking (boolean):

bend::target-cautionary

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

details (list):

```
'((arrow-stencil
.
  #<procedure bend::arrow-head-stencil (thickness x-y-coords height width c)
  (curvature-factor . 0.35)
  (bend-arrowhead-height . 1.25)
  (bend-arrowhead-width . 0.8)
  (bend-amount-strings
    (quarter . " $\frac{1}{4}$ ")
    (half . " $\frac{1}{2}$ ")
    (three-quarter . " $\frac{3}{4}$ ")
    (full . #f))
  (curve-x-padding-line-end . 0.5)
  (curve-y-padding-line-end . 1)
  (dashed-line-settings 0.4 0.4 0)
  (head-text-break-visibility . #(#f #t #t))
  (horizontal-left-padding . 0.1)
  (successive-level . 1)
  (target-visibility . #f))
```

```
(vertical-padding . 0.2)
(y-distance-from-tabstaff-to-arrow-tip . 2.75))
```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

direction (direction):

```
1
```

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

font-encoding (symbol):

```
'latin1
```

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

font-shape (symbol):

```
'italic
```

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

font-size (number):

```
-2
```

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

```
0.15
```

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

```
1
```

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

spanner-id (index or symbol):

```
""
```

An identifier to distinguish concurrent spanners.

stencil (stencil):

```
bend-spanner::print
```

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

```
('())
```

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.

text (markup)

Text markup. See Section "Formatting text" in *Notation Reference*.

thickness (number):

1

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skyline-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

word-space (dimension, in staff space):

0.6

Space to insert between words in texts.

Y-offset (number):

0

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): *bend-interface* (page 562), *font-interface* (page 575), *grob-interface* (page 580), *line-spanner-interface* (page 593), *outside-staff-interface* (page 604), *spanner-interface* (page 620), *text-interface* (page 629), and *text-script-interface* (page 630).

This object is of class *Spanner* (characterized by *spanner-interface* (page 620)).

3.1.22 BreakAlignGroup

BreakAlignGroup objects are created by: *Break_align_engraver* (page 308).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

'(0)

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

break-align-anchor (number):

ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-average-anchor

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-anchor-alignment (number):

ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-joint-anchor-alignment

Read by *ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor* for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

break-visibility (vector):

ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-break-visibility

A vector of 3 booleans, *#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)*. *#t* means visible, *#f* means killed.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `break-aligned-interface` (page 564), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `item-interface` (page 588).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.23 BreakAlignment

`BreakAlignment` objects are created by: `Break_align_engraver` (page 308).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(0)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

break-align-orders (vector):

```
#((left-edge
  staff-ellipsis
  cue-end-clef
  ambitus
  breathing-sign
  clef
  cue-clef
  staff-bar
  key-cancellation
  key-signature
  time-signature
  custos)
(left-edge
  staff-ellipsis
  cue-end-clef
  ambitus
  breathing-sign
  clef
  cue-clef
  staff-bar
  key-cancellation
  key-signature
  time-signature
  custos)
(left-edge
  staff-ellipsis
  ambitus
  breathing-sign
  clef
  key-cancellation
  key-signature
  time-signature
```

```

staff-bar
cue-clef
custos))

```

This is a vector of 3 lists: `#(end-of-line unbroken start-of-line)`. Each list contains *break-align symbols* that specify an order of breakable items (see Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*).

For example, this places time signatures before clefs:

```

\override Score.BreakAlignment.break-align-orders =
  #(make-vector 3 '(left-edge
                    cue-end-clef
                    ambitus
                    breathing-sign
                    time-signature
                    clef
                    cue-clef
                    staff-bar
                    key-cancellation
                    key-signature
                    custos))

```

non-musical (boolean):

```
#t
```

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

stacking-dir (direction):

```
1
```

Stack objects in which direction?

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `break-alignment-interface` (page 565), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `item-interface` (page 588).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.24 BreathingSign

`BreathingSign` objects are created by: `Breathing_sign_engraver` (page 308).

Standard settings:

break-align-symbol (symbol):

```
'breathing-sign
```

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

```
##( #t #t #f)
```

A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

direction (direction):

```
1
```

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`non-musical` (boolean):

`#t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`space-alist` (list):

```
'((ambitus extra-space . 2.0)
  (custos minimum-space . 1.0)
  (key-signature minimum-space . 1.5)
  (time-signature minimum-space . 1.5)
  (staff-bar minimum-space . 1.5)
  (clef minimum-space . 2.0)
  (cue-clef minimum-space . 2.0)
  (cue-end-clef minimum-space . 2.0)
  (first-note fixed-space . 1.0)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.1))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for `break-align-symbol` are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to `space-alist` are:

`first-note`

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

`next-note`

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of `first-note` gets used

`right-edge`

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the `extra-space` spacing style)

Choices for `spacing-style` are:

`extra-space`

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with `first-note` or `next-note`; otherwise it is fixed.

`minimum-space`

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with `first-note` or `next-note`; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with `right-edge`.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:text-interface::print
The symbol to print.

text (markup):

'(#<procedure musicglyph-markup (layout props glyph-name)>
"scripts.rcomma")

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:breathing-sign::offset-callback> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **breathing-sign-interface** (page 566), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.25 CenteredBarNumber

CenteredBarNumber objects are created by: **Bar_number_engraver** (page 304).

Standard settings:

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

font-family (symbol):

`'roman`

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: `sans`, `roman`.

font-size (number):

`0`

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

self-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`centered-text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

This object supports the following interface(s): `bar-number-interface` (page 559), `centered-bar-number-interface` (page 566), `centered-text-interface` (page 567), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.26 CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner

`CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner` objects are created by: `Centered_bar_number_align_engraver` (page 308).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

axes (list):

`'(1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

`1`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

outside-staff-priority (number):

`1200`

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

4

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skylines-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **bar-number-interface** (page 559), **centered-bar-number-line-spanner-interface** (page 567), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.27 ChordName

ChordName objects are created by: **Chord_name_engraver** (page 309).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:chord-name::after-line-breaking
```

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

```
'(0.2 . -0.2)
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to **(-inf.0 . +inf.0)**.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):
 '(-0.5 . 0.5)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

font-family (symbol):
 'sans

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: **sans**, **roman**.

font-size (number):
 1.5

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:text-interface::print
 The symbol to print.

word-space (dimension, in staff space):
 0.0
 Space to insert between words in texts.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **chord-name-interface** (page 567), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.28 Clef

Clef objects are created by: **Clef_engraver** (page 310).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):
 'inside

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

`break-align-anchor` (number):

`ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor`

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

`break-align-anchor-alignment` (number):

1

Read by `ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor` for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

`break-align-symbol` (symbol):

`'clef`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

`break-visibility` (vector):

`##(## #f #t)`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

`extra-spacing-height` (pair of numbers):

`pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-at-beginning-of-line`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

`glyph-name` (string):

`ly:clef::calc-glyph-name`

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

`non-musical` (boolean):

`#t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`space-alist` (list):

```
'((cue-clef extra-space . 2.0)
  (staff-bar extra-space . 0.7)
  (ambitus extra-space . 1.15)
  (key-cancellation minimum-space . 3.5)
  (key-signature minimum-space . 3.5)
  (time-signature minimum-space . 4.2)
  (first-note minimum-fixed-space . 5.0)
  (next-note extra-space . 1.0)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
```


...)

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

- first-note**
used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line
- next-note**
used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used
- right-edge**
used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

- extra-space**
Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.
- minimum-space**
Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.
- fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.
- minimum-fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.
- semi-fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:clef::print

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **clef-interface** (page 567), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.29 ClefModifier

ClefModifier objects are created by: **Clef_engraver** (page 310), and **Cue_clef_engraver** (page 312).

Standard settings:

break-visibility (vector):

```
#<procedure #f (grob)>
```

A vector of 3 booleans, *#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)*. *#t* means visible, *#f* means killed.

clef-alignments (list):

```
'((G -0.2 . 0.1) (F -0.3 . -0.2) (C 0 . 0))
```

An alist of parent-alignments that should be used for clef modifiers with various clefs

color (color):

```
#<procedure #f (grob)>
```

The color of this grob.

font-shape (symbol):

```
'italic
```

Select the shape of a font. Choices include **upright**, **italic**, **caps**.

font-size (number):

```
-4
```

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

parent-alignment-X (number):

```
ly:clef-modifier::calc-parent-alignment
```

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.7

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

transparent (boolean):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

This makes the grob invisible.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `clef-modifier-interface` (page 568), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.30 ClusterSpanner

`ClusterSpanner` objects are created by: `Cluster_spanner_engraver` (page 310).

Standard settings:

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

0.0

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the `springs-and-rods` property. If added to a `Tie`, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:cluster::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'ramp

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

This object supports the following interface(s): **cluster-interface** (page 568), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.31 ClusterSpannerBeacon

ClusterSpannerBeacon objects are created by: **Cluster_spanner_engraver** (page 310).

Standard settings:

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

ly:cluster-beacon::height

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **cluster-beacon-interface** (page 568), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.32 CodaMark

CodaMark objects are created by: **Mark_engraver** (page 327).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

2

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

break-align-symbols (list):

'(staff-bar key-signature clef)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`##t #t #f`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-size (number):

2

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

non-musical (boolean):

`#t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.2

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-padding (number):

0.4

The padding to place between grobs when spacing according to **outside-staff-priority**. Two grobs with different **outside-staff-padding** values have the larger value of padding between them.

outside-staff-priority (number):

1500

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.4

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

`break-alignable-interface::self-alignment-opposite-of-anchor`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `break-alignable-interface` (page 563), `coda-mark-interface` (page 569), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `mark-interface` (page 596), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.33 CombineTextScript

`CombineTextScript` objects are created by: `Part_combine_engraver` (page 335).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

`'outside`

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

`2`

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

font-series (symbol):

'bold

Select the series of a font. Choices include **medium**, **bold**, **bold-narrow**, etc.

outside-staff-priority (number):

450

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

script-priority (number):

200

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

self-alignment-X (number)

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

```

stencil (stencil):
    ly:text-interface::print
    The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):
    ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent
    The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
    #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
    height> >
    Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
    object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):
    #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
    position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
    ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
    The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **text-interface** (page 629), and **text-script-interface** (page 630).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.34 ControlPoint

ControlPoint objects are created by: **Show_control_points_engraver** (page 341).

Standard settings:

```

color (color):
    "IndianRed"
    The color of this grob.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines)
    Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

layer (integer):
    3
    An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the
    lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher
    values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower
    values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

stencil (stencil):
    ly:text-interface::print
    The symbol to print.

text (markup):
    '(#<procedure draw-circle-markup (layout props radius thickness filled)>
    0.3
    0.01
    #t)
    Text markup. See Section "Formatting text" in Notation Reference.

```


vertical-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **control-point-interface** (page 569), **grob-interface** (page 580), **sticky-grob-interface** (page 626), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object can be of either of the following classes: **Item** (characterized by **item-interface**) or **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface**). It supports the following interfaces conditionally depending on the class: **item-interface** (page 588), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

3.1.35 ControlPolygon

ControlPolygon objects are created by: **Show_control_points_engraver** (page 341).

Standard settings:

color (color):

"BurlyWood"

The color of this grob.

extroversion (number):

0.5

For polygons, how the thickness of the line is spread on each side of the exact polygon with ideal zero thickness. If this is 0, the middle of line is on the polygon. If 1, the line sticks out of the polygon. If -1, the outer side of the line is exactly on the polygon. Other numeric values are interpolated.

filled (boolean)

Whether an object is filled with ink.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

layer (integer):

2

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

stencil (stencil):

ly: text-interface::print

The symbol to print.

text (markup):

control-polygon::calc-text

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

thickness (number):

1.2

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **control-polygon-interface** (page 569), **grob-interface** (page 580), **sticky-grob-interface** (page 626), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object can be of either of the following classes: **Item** (characterized by **item-interface**) or **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface**). It supports the following interfaces conditionally depending on the class: **item-interface** (page 588), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

3.1.36 CueClef

CueClef objects are created by: **Cue_clef_engraver** (page 312).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

'inside

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

break-align-anchor (number):

ly: break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

`break-align-symbol` (symbol):

`'cue-clef`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

`break-visibility` (vector):

`##f ##f ##t`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `##t` means visible, `##f` means killed.

`extra-spacing-height` (pair of numbers):

`pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-at-beginning-of-line`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

`font-size` (number):

`-4`

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, `-1` is smaller, `+1` is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`full-size-change` (boolean):

`##t`

Don’t make a change clef smaller.

`glyph-name` (string):

`ly:clef::calc-glyph-name`

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

`non-musical` (boolean):

`##t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`space-alist` (list):

```
'((staff-bar minimum-space . 2.7)
  (key-cancellation minimum-space . 3.5)
  (key-signature minimum-space . 3.5)
  (time-signature minimum-space . 4.2)
  (custos minimum-space . 0.0)
  (first-note minimum-fixed-space . 3.0)
  (next-note extra-space . 1.0)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

- first-note**
used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line
- next-note**
used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used
- right-edge**
used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

- extra-space**
Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.
- minimum-space**
Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.
- fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.
- minimum-fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.
- semi-fixed-space**
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:clef::print

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **clef-interface** (page 567), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.37 CueEndClef

CueEndClef objects are created by: **Cue_clef_engraver** (page 312).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

```
'inside
```

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

break-align-anchor (number):

```
ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor
```

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

```
'cue-end-clef
```

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

```
##(#t #t #f)
```

A vector of 3 booleans, **##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)**. **#t** means visible, **#f** means killed.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

```
pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-at-beginning-of-line
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to **(-inf.0 . +inf.0)**.

font-size (number):

-4

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

full-size-change (boolean):

#t

Don’t make a change clef smaller.

glyph-name (string):

ly:clef::calc-glyph-name

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of **glyph**, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

non-musical (boolean):

#t

True if the grob belongs to a **NonMusicalPaperColumn**.

space-alist (list):

```
'((clef extra-space . 0.7)
  (cue-clef extra-space . 0.7)
  (staff-bar extra-space . 0.7)
  (key-cancellation minimum-space . 3.5)
  (key-signature minimum-space . 3.5)
  (time-signature minimum-space . 4.2)
  (first-note minimum-fixed-space . 5.0)
  (next-note extra-space . 1.0)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to **space-alist** are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:clef::print

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **clef-interface** (page 567), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.38 Custos

Custos objects are created by: **Custos_engraver** (page 313).

Standard settings:

break-align-symbol (symbol):
 'custos

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):
 #(#t #f #f)

A vector of 3 booleans, #(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line). #t means visible, #f means killed.

neutral-direction (direction):
 -1

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

non-musical (boolean):
 #t

True if the grob belongs to a NonMusicalPaperColumn.

space-alist (list):
 '((first-note minimum-fixed-space . 0.0)
 (right-edge extra-space . 0.1))

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

first-note
 used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note
 used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge
 used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space
 Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space
 Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:custos::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'vaticana

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **custos-interface** (page 569), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.39 DotColumn

DotColumn objects are created by: **Dot_column_engraver** (page 313), and **Vaticana_ligature_engraver** (page 351).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

'(0)

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

chord-dots-limit (integer):

3

Limits the column of dots on each chord to the height of the chord plus **chord-dots-limit** staff-positions.

direction (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed `LEFT`, `CENTER` or `RIGHT` with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed `UP`, `CENTER` or `DOWN`. Numerical values may also be used: `UP=1`, `DOWN=-1`, `LEFT=-1`, `RIGHT=1`, `CENTER=0`.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `dot-column-interface` (page 570), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `item-interface` (page 588).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.40 Dots

`Dots` objects are created by: `Dots_engraver` (page 314).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

`'inside`

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

dot-count (integer):

`dots::calc-dot-count`

The number of dots.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

`'(-0.5 . 0.5)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(0.0 . 0.2)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

staff-position (number):

`dots::calc-staff-position`

Vertical position, measured in half staff spaces, counted from the middle line.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:dots::print`

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **dots-interface** (page 570), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.41 DoublePercentRepeat

DoublePercentRepeat objects are created by: **Double_percent_repeat_engraver** (page 314).

Standard settings:

break-align-symbol (symbol):

```
'staff-bar
```

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

```
##(#t #t #f)
```

A vector of 3 booleans, **#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)**. **#t** means visible, **#f** means killed.

dot-negative-kern (number):

```
0.75
```

The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

font-encoding (symbol):

```
'fetaMusic
```

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

non-musical (boolean):

```
#t
```

True if the grob belongs to a **NonMusicalPaperColumn**.

slash-negative-kern (number):

```
1.6
```

The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slope (number):

```
1.0
```

The slope of this object.

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:percent-repeat-item-interface::double-percent
```

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
0.48

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): *break-aligned-interface* (page 564), *font-interface* (page 575), *grob-interface* (page 580), *item-interface* (page 588), *percent-repeat-interface* (page 606), and *percent-repeat-item-interface* (page 607).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by *item-interface* (page 588)).

3.1.42 DoublePercentRepeatCounter

DoublePercentRepeatCounter objects are created by: *Double_percent_repeat_engraver* (page 314).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):
1

If *side-axis* is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

font-encoding (symbol):
'fetaText

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond’s system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are *fetaMusic* (Emmentaler), *fetaBraces*, *fetaText* (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):
-2

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property *fontSize* is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number):
0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from *self-alignment-X* property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:text-interface::print

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **percent-repeat-interface** (page 606), **percent-repeat-item-interface** (page 607), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.43 DoubleRepeatSlash

DoubleRepeatSlash objects are created by: **Slash_repeat_engraver** (page 341).

Standard settings:

dot-negative-kern (number):

0.75

The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

font-encoding (symbol):

'fetaMusic

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

`slash-negative-kern` (number):

1.6

The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

`slope` (number):

1.0

The slope of this object.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:percent-repeat-item-interface::beat-slash`

The symbol to print.

`thickness` (number):

0.48

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`Y-extent` (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `percent-repeat-interface` (page 606), `percent-repeat-item-interface` (page 607), and `rhythmic-grob-interface` (page 609).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.44 DurationLine

`DurationLine` objects are created by: `Duration_line_engraver` (page 315).

Standard settings:

`after-line-breaking` (boolean):

`ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

`arrow-length` (number):

2

Arrow length.

`arrow-width` (number):

1.5

Arrow width.

`bound-details` (list):

`'((right (end-on-accidental . #t)`

```

        (end-on-arpeggio . #t)
        (padding . 0.4)
        (end-style . #f))
    (right-broken (padding . 0.4) (end-style . #f))
    (left-broken (padding . 0.4))
    (left (padding . -0.3) (start-at-dot . #f)))

```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

breakable (boolean):

#t

Allow breaks here.

details (list):

```

'((hook-height . 0.34)
  (hook-thickness . #f)
  (hook-direction . 1))

```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

2

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

minimum-length-after-break (dimension, in staff space):

6

If set, try to make a broken spanner starting a line this long. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance to the notehead.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

duration-line::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'beam

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number):

4

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

to-barline (boolean)

If true, the spanner will stop at the bar line just before it would otherwise stop.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skyline-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-offset (number):

0

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

zigzag-length (dimension, in staff space):

1

The length of the lines of a zigzag, relative to **zigzag-width**. A value of 1 gives 60-degree zigzags.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space):

1

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

This object supports the following interface(s): **duration-line-interface** (page 570), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-line-spanner-interface** (page 586), **line-interface** (page 592), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **unbreakable-spanner-interface** (page 636).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.45 DynamicLineSpanner

DynamicLineSpanner objects are created by: **Dynamic_align_engraver** (page 315).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

'(1)

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

outside-staff-priority (number):

250

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.6

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

slur-padding (number):

0.3

Extra distance between slur and script.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.1

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skyline-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **dynamic-interface** (page 571), **dynamic-line-spanner-interface** (page 571), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.46 DynamicText

DynamicText objects are created by: **Dynamic_engraver** (page 316).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

```
ly:script-interface::calc-direction
```

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-encoding (symbol):

`'fetaText`

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond’s system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

font-series (symbol):

`'bold`

Select the series of a font. Choices include `medium`, `bold`, `bold-narrow`, etc.

font-shape (symbol):

`'italic`

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

parent-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value `-1` means aligned on parent’s left edge, `0` on center, and `1` right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

right-padding (dimension, in staff space):

`0.5`

Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).

self-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-align-on-main-noteheads (boolean):

`#t`

If true, this grob will ignore suspended noteheads when aligning itself on `NoteColumn`.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<procedure #f (grob)>> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **dynamic-interface** (page 571), **dynamic-text-interface** (page 571), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **script-interface** (page 610), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.47 DynamicTextSpanner

DynamicTextSpanner objects are created by: **Dynamic_engraver** (page 316).

Standard settings:

before-line-breaking (boolean):

```
dynamic-text-spanner::before-line-breaking
```

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

bound-details (list):

```
'((right (attach-dir . -1) (padding . 0.75))
  (right-broken (attach-dir . 1) (padding . 0.0))
  (left (attach-dir . -1)
        (stencil-offset -0.75 . -0.5)
        (padding . 0.75))
  (left-broken (attach-dir . 1)))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

dash-fraction (number):

```
0.2
```

Size of the dashes, relative to **dash-period**. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

dash-period (number):

```
3.0
```

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

font-shape (symbol):

```
'italic
```

Select the shape of a font. Choices include **upright**, **italic**, **caps**.

font-size (number):

```
1
```

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

left-bound-info (list):
`ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info-and-text`
 An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):
 2.0
 Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the `springs-and-rods` property. If added to a `Tie`, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

minimum-Y-extent (pair of numbers):
`'(-1 . 1)`
 Minimum size of an object in Y dimension, measured in `staff-space` units.

right-bound-info (list):
`ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info`
 An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

skyline-horizontal-padding (number):
 0.2
 For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

springs-and-rods (boolean):
`ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods`
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:line-spanner::print`
 The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
`'dashed-line`
 This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

This object supports the following interface(s): `dynamic-interface` (page 571), `dynamic-text-spanner-interface` (page 571), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `horizontal-line-spanner-interface` (page 586), `line-interface` (page 592), `line-spanner-interface` (page 593), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.48 Episema

Episema objects are created by: `Episema_engraver` (page 317).

Standard settings:

```
bound-details (list):
  '((left (padding . 0) (attach-dir . -1))
    (right (padding . 0) (attach-dir . 1)))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

```
direction (direction):
  1
```

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

```
left-bound-info (list):
  ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

```
right-bound-info (list):
  ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

```
side-axis (number):
  1
```

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

```
stencil (stencil):
  ly:line-spanner::print
```

The symbol to print.

```
style (symbol):
  'line
```

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.

```
Y-offset (number):
  #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
    position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
    ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `episema-interface` (page 572), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `horizontal-line-spanner-interface` (page 586), `line-interface` (page 592), `line-spanner-interface` (page 593), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.49 FingerGlideSpanner

`FingerGlideSpanner` objects are created by: `Finger_glide_engraver` (page 318).

Standard settings:

```
bound-details (list):
  '((right (attach-dir . -1)
    (right-stub-length . 1))
```

```

        (padding . 0.2))
      (left (attach-dir . 1)
        (left-stub-length . 1)
        (padding . 0.2)))

```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

dash-fraction (number):

0.4

Size of the dashes, relative to **dash-period**. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

dash-period (number):

1

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

details (list):

```
'((bow-direction . #f))
```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

left-bound-info (list):

```
ly:line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

2.5

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

minimum-length-after-break (dimension, in staff space):

2.5

If set, try to make a broken spanner starting a line this long. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance to the notehead.

normalized-endpoints (pair):

```
ly:spanner::calc-normalized-endpoints
```

Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

right-bound-info (list):

```
ly:line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

```
ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods
```

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

```
finger-glide::print
```

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'line

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number):

1.4

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

zigzag-length (dimension, in staff space):

1

The length of the lines of a zigzag, relative to **zigzag-width**. A value of 1 gives 60-degree zigzags.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space):

1

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

This object supports the following interface(s): **finger-glide-interface** (page 573), **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.50 Fingering

Fingering objects are created by: **Fingering_engraver** (page 318), and **New_fingering_engraver** (page 332).

Standard settings:

add-stem-support (boolean):

only-if-beamed

If set, the **Stem** object is included in this script's support.

avoid-slur (symbol):

'around

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

direction (direction):

`ly:script-interface::calc-direction`

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

font-encoding (symbol):

`'fetaText`

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):

-5

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

parent-alignment-Y (number):

0

Like **parent-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

script-priority (number):

100

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number):

0

Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

slur-padding (number):

0.2

Extra distance between slur and script.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:text-interface::print`
The symbol to print.

text (markup):
`fingering::calc-text`
Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`
Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **finger-interface** (page 574), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **text-interface** (page 629), and **text-script-interface** (page 630).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.51 FingeringColumn

FingeringColumn objects are created by: **Fingering_column_engraver** (page 318).

Standard settings:

padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.2
Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

snap-radius (number):
0.3
The maximum distance between two objects that will cause them to snap to alignment along an axis.

This object supports the following interface(s): **fingering-column-interface** (page 574), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.52 Flag

Flag objects are created by: **Stem_engraver** (page 344).

Standard settings:

color (color):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
The color of this grob.

glyph-name (string):
`ly:flag::glyph-name`
The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:flag::print`

The symbol to print.

transparent (boolean):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

This makes the grob invisible.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:flag::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):

`ly:flag::calc-x-offset`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:flag::calc-y-offset> #<primitive-procedure ly:flag::pure-calc-y-offset> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **flag-interface** (page 574), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.53 Footnote

Footnote objects are created by: **Footnote_engraver** (page 319).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:balloon-interface::remove-irrelevant-spanner`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

annotation-balloon (boolean)

Print the balloon around an annotation.

annotation-line (boolean):

`#t`

Print the line from an annotation to the grob that it annotates.

automatically-numbered (boolean):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 If set, footnotes are automatically numbered.

break-visibility (vector):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

footnote (boolean):
`#t`
 Should this be a footnote or in-note?

footnote-text (markup):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 A footnote for the grob.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:balloon-interface::print`
 The symbol to print.

text (markup):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

X-extent (pair of numbers)
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

X-offset (number):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-offset (number):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **balloon-interface** (page 557), **font-interface** (page 575), **footnote-interface** (page 576), **grob-interface** (page 580), **sticky-grob-interface** (page 626), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object can be of either of the following classes: **Item** (characterized by **item-interface**) or **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface**). It supports the following interfaces conditionally depending on the class: **item-interface** (page 588), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

3.1.54 FretBoard

FretBoard objects are created by: **Fretboard_engraver** (page 319).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):
`ly:chord-name::after-line-breaking`
 Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

`extra-spacing-height` (pair of numbers):

```
'(0.2 . -0.2)
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

`extra-spacing-width` (pair of numbers):

```
'(-0.5 . 0.5)
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

`fret-diagram-details` (list):

```
'((finger-code . below-string))
```

An alist of detailed grob properties for fret diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (*property* . *value*) pair. The properties which can be included in `fret-diagram-details` include the following:

- **barre-type** – Type of barre indication used. Choices include **curved**, **straight**, and **none**. Default **curved**.
- **capo-thickness** – Thickness of capo indicator, in multiples of fret-space. Default value 0.5.
- **dot-color** – Color of dots. Options include **black** and **white**. Default **black**.
- **dot-label-font-mag** – Magnification for font used to label fret dots. Default value 1.
- **dot-position** – Location of dot in fret space. Default 0.6 for dots without labels, 0.95-dot-radius for dots with labels.
- **dot-radius** – Radius of dots, in terms of fret spaces. Default value 0.425 for labeled dots, 0.25 for unlabeled dots.
- **finger-code** – Code for the type of fingering indication used. Options include **none**, **in-dot**, and **below-string**. Default **none** for markup fret diagrams, **below-string** for **FretBoards** fret diagrams.
- **fret-count** – The number of frets. Default 4.
- **fret-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between frets. Default 1.0.
- **fret-label-custom-format** – The format string to be used label the lowest fret number, when **number-type** equals to **custom**. Default `"~a"`.
- **fret-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label the lowest fret number. Default 0.5.
- **fret-label-vertical-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction parallel to strings. Default 0.
- **fret-label-horizontal-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction orthogonal to strings. Default 0.
- **handedness** – Print the fret-diagram left- or right-handed. `-1`, **LEFT** for left ; `1`, **RIGHT** for right. Default **RIGHT**.
- **paren-padding** – The padding for the parenthesis. Default 0.05.

- **label-dir** – Side to which the fret label is attached. `-1`, `LEFT`, or `DOWN` for left or down; `1`, `RIGHT`, or `UP` for right or up. Default `RIGHT`.
- **mute-string** – Character string to be used to indicate muted string. Default `"x"`.
- **number-type** – Type of numbers to use in fret label. Choices include `roman-lower`, `roman-upper`, `arabic` and `custom`. In the later case, the format string is supplied by the `fret-label-custom-format` property. Default `roman-lower`.
- **open-string** – Character string to be used to indicate open string. Default `"o"`.
- **orientation** – Orientation of fret-diagram. Options include `normal`, `landscape`, and `opposing-landscape`. Default `normal`.
- **string-count** – The number of strings. Default 6.
- **string-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between strings. Default 1.0.
- **string-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label fingerings at the string, rather than in the dot. Default value 0.6 for `normal` orientation, 0.5 for `landscape` and `opposing-landscape`.
- **string-thickness-factor** – Factor for changing thickness of each string in the fret diagram. Thickness of string k is given by `thickness * (1+string-thickness-factor) ^ (k-1)`. Default 0.
- **top-fret-thickness** – The thickness of the top fret line, as a multiple of the standard thickness. Default value 3.
- **xo-font-magnification** – Magnification used for mute and open string indicators. Default value 0.5.
- **xo-padding** – Padding for open and mute indicators from top fret. Default value 0.25.

stencil (stencil):

`fret-board::calc-stencil`

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `chord-name-interface` (page 567), `font-interface` (page 575), `fret-diagram-interface` (page 576), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), and `rhythmic-grob-interface` (page 609).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.55 Glissando

Glissando objects are created by: `Glissando_engraver` (page 320).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

bound-details (list):

```
'((right (attach-dir . -1)
         (end-on-accidental . #t)
         (padding . 0.5))
 (left (attach-dir . 1)
       (padding . 0.5)
       (start-at-dot . #t)))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

gap (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

left-bound-info (list):

ly:line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

normalized-endpoints (pair):

ly:spanner::calc-normalized-endpoints

Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

right-bound-info (list):

ly:line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

stencil (stencil):

ly:line-spanner::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'line

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space):

0.75

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

This object supports the following interface(s): **glissando-interface** (page 578), **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-interface** (page 592), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **unbreakable-spanner-interface** (page 636).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.56 GraceSpacing

GraceSpacing objects are created by: `Grace_spacing_engraver` (page 321).

Standard settings:

```
common-shortest-duration (moment):
    grace-spacing::calc-shortest-duration
    The most common shortest note length. This is used in spacing. Enlarging
    this sets the score tighter.

shortest-duration-space (number):
    1.6
    Start with this multiple of spacing-increment space for the shortest dura-
    tion. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in Internals Reference.

spacing-increment (dimension, in staff space):
    0.8
    The unit of length for note-spacing. Typically, the width of a note head. See
    also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in Internals Reference.
```

This object supports the following interface(s): `grace-spacing-interface` (page 578), `grob-interface` (page 580), `spacing-options-interface` (page 619), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.57 GridLine

GridLine objects are created by: `Grid_line_span_engraver` (page 321).

Standard settings:

```
layer (integer):
    0
    An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the
    lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher
    values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower
    values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

parent-alignment-X (number):
    0
    Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means
    aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction.
    Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s
    width. If unset, the value from self-alignment-X property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):
    0
    Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered,
    and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be spec-
    ified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):
    ly:grid-line-interface::print
    The symbol to print.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
    ly:grid-line-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grid-line-interface` (page 579), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `self-alignment-interface` (page 611).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.58 GridPoint

`GridPoint` objects are created by: `Grid_point_engraver` (page 321).

Standard settings:

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`'(0 . 0)`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`'(0 . 0)`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grid-point-interface` (page 579), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `item-interface` (page 588).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.59 Hairpin

`Hairpin` objects are created by: `Dynamic_engraver` (page 316).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

bound-padding (number):

`1.0`

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

broken-bound-padding (number):

`ly:hairpin::broken-bound-padding`

The amount of padding to insert when a spanner is broken at a line break.

circled-tip (boolean)

Put a circle at start/end of hairpins (al/del niente).

endpoint-alignments (pair of numbers):

`'(-1 . 1)`

A pair of numbers representing the alignments of an object's endpoints. E.g., the ends of a hairpin relative to `NoteColumn` grobs.

grow-direction (direction):
 hairpin::calc-grow-direction
 Crescendo or decrescendo?

height (dimension, in staff space):
 0.6666
 Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):
 2.0
 Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

self-alignment-Y (number):
 0
 Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

springs-and-rods (boolean):
 ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:hairpin::print
 The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
 1.0
 For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

to-barline (boolean):
 #t
 If true, the spanner will stop at the bar line just before it would otherwise stop.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> #<primitive-procedure ly:hairpin::pure-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:self-alignment-interface::y-aligned-on-self> #<primitive-procedure ly:self-alignment-interface::pure-y-aligned-on-self> >
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `dynamic-interface` (page 571), `grob-interface` (page 580), `hairpin-interface` (page 584), `line-interface` (page 592), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.60 HorizontalBracket

`HorizontalBracket` objects are created by: `Horizontal_bracket_engraver` (page 322).

Standard settings:

`bracket-flare` (pair of numbers):

`'(0.5 . 0.5)`

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

`connect-to-neighbor` (pair):

`ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-connect-to-neighbors`

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

`direction` (direction):

`-1`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

`0.2`

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`side-axis` (number):

`1`

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

`0.2`

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:horizontal-bracket::print`

The symbol to print.

`thickness` (number):

`1.0`

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`Y-offset` (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `horizontal-bracket-interface` (page 585), `line-interface` (page 592), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.61 HorizontalBracketText

`HorizontalBracketText` objects are created by: `Horizontal_bracket_engraver` (page 322).

Standard settings:

`direction` (direction):

`ly:horizontal-bracket-text::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`font-size` (number):

-1

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`parent-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:horizontal-bracket-text::print`

The symbol to print.

`X-offset` (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `horizontal-bracket-text-interface` (page 586), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.62 InstrumentName

`InstrumentName` objects are created by: `Instrument_name_engraver` (page 322).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

-1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number):

0

Like `self-alignment-X` but for the Y axis.

stencil (stencil):

```
system-start-text::print
```

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

```
system-start-text::calc-x-offset
```

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-offset (number):

```
system-start-text::calc-y-offset
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), `system-start-text-interface` (page 628), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.63 InstrumentSwitch

InstrumentSwitch objects are created by: `Instrument_switch_engraver` (page 323).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

outside-staff-priority (number):

500

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

-1

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.64 JumpScript

`JumpScript` objects are created by: `Jump_engraver` (page 323).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

2

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

break-align-symbols (list):

`'(staff-bar key-signature clef)`

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to `break-visibility`, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`#(#t #t #f)`

A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

direction (direction):

-1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-shape (symbol):

`'italic`

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

non-musical (boolean):

`#t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

`0.2`

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

`1450`

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

`0.8`

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

`1`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-alignable-interface** (page 563), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **jump-script-interface** (page 590), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.65 KeyCancellation

KeyCancellation objects are created by: **Key_engraver** (page 324).

Standard settings:

break-align-symbol (symbol):

```
'key-cancellation
```

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

```
##( #t #t #f)
```

A vector of 3 booleans, **##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)**. **#t** means visible, **#f** means killed.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

```
pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-including-
staff
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to **(-inf.0 . +inf.0)**.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

```
'(0.0 . 1.0)
```

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to **(+inf.0 . -inf.0)**.

flat-positions (list):

```
'(2 3 4 2 1 2 1)
```

Flats in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

non-musical (boolean):

```
#t
```

True if the grob belongs to a **NonMusicalPaperColumn**.

sharp-positions (list):

```
'(4 5 4 2 3 2 3)
```

Sharps in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto** **treble** **tenor** **soprano** **baritone** **mezzosoprano** **bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

space-alist (list):

```
'((time-signature extra-space . 1.25)
  (staff-bar extra-space . 0.6)
  (key-signature extra-space . 0.5)
  (cue-clef extra-space . 0.5)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5)
  (first-note fixed-space . 2.5)
  (custos extra-space . 1.0))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to **space-alist** are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:key-signature-interface::print

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **key-cancellation-interface** (page 590), **key-signature-interface** (page 590), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.66 KeySignature

KeySignature objects are created by: **Key_engraver** (page 324).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

'inside

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

`break-align-anchor` (number):

`ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor`

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

`break-align-anchor-alignment` (number):

1

Read by `ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor` for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

`break-align-symbol` (symbol):

`'key-signature`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

`break-visibility` (vector):

`##f ##f ##t`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `##t` means visible, `##f` means killed.

`extra-spacing-height` (pair of numbers):

`pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-including-staff`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

`extra-spacing-width` (pair of numbers):

`'(0.0 . 1.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

`flat-positions` (list):

`'(2 3 4 2 1 2 1)`

Flats in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

`non-musical` (boolean):

`##t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`sharp-positions` (list):

`'(4 5 4 2 3 2 3)`

Sharps in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef,

in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

space-alist (list):

```
'((ambitus extra-space . 1.15)
  (time-signature extra-space . 1.15)
  (staff-bar extra-space . 1.1)
  (cue-clef extra-space . 0.5)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5)
  (first-note fixed-space . 2.5))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to **space-alist** are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**.
Put this much space between the grob and the note,
such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretch-
able.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:key-signature-interface::print
The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >
Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **key-signature-interface** (page 590), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.67 **KievanLigature**

KievanLigature objects are created by: **Kievan_ligature_engraver** (page 326).

Standard settings:

padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods
Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:kievan-ligature::print
The symbol to print.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **kievan-ligature-interface** (page 591), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.68 LaissezVibrerTie

LaissezVibrerTie objects are created by: `Laissez_vibrer_engraver` (page 326).

Standard settings:

control-points (list of number pairs):

`ly:semi-tie::calc-control-points`

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

details (list):

`'((ratio . 0.333) (height-limit . 1.0))`

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction):

`ly:tie::calc-direction`

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

`'(-0.5 . 0.5)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

head-direction (direction):

`-1`

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

stencil (stencil):

`ly:tie::print`

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

`1.0`

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `bezier-curve-interface` (page 563), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `semi-tie-interface` (page 613), and `tie-interface` (page 631).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.69 LaissezVibrerTieColumn

`LaissezVibrerTieColumn` objects are created by: `Laissez_vibrer_engraver` (page 326).

Standard settings:

`head-direction` (direction):

`ly:semi-tie-column::calc-head-direction`

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

`X-extent` (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

`Y-extent` (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `semi-tie-column-interface` (page 612).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.70 LedgerLineSpanner

`LedgerLineSpanner` objects are created by: `Ledger_line_engraver` (page 326).

Standard settings:

`layer` (integer):

0

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

`length-fraction` (number):

0.25

Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.

`minimum-length-fraction` (number):

0.25

Minimum length of ledger line as fraction of note head size.

`springs-and-rods` (boolean):

`ly:ledger-line-spanner::set-spacing-rods`

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:ledger-line-spanner::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skyline-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **ledger-line-spanner-interface** (page 591), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.71 LeftEdge

LeftEdge objects are created by: **Break_align_engraver** (page 308).

Standard settings:

break-align-anchor (number):

```
ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor
```

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

```
'left-edge
```

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

```
##f #f #t
```

A vector of 3 booleans, **#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)**. **#t** means visible, **#f** means killed.

non-musical (boolean):

```
#t
```

True if the grob belongs to a **NonMusicalPaperColumn**.

space-alist (list):

```
'((ambitus extra-space . 1.15)
(breathing-sign minimum-space . 0.0)
(cue-end-clef extra-space . 0.8)
(clef extra-space . 0.8)
(cue-clef extra-space . 0.8)
(staff-bar extra-space . 0.0)
(staff-ellipsis extra-space . 0.0)
(key-cancellation extra-space . 0.0)
(key-signature extra-space . 0.8)
(time-signature extra-space . 1.0)
(custos extra-space . 0.0)
(first-note fixed-space . 2.0))
```



```
(right-edge extra-space . 0.0))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

first-note
used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note
used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge
used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space
Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space
Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space
Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
'(0 . 0)
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

'(0 . 0)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.72 LigatureBracket

LigatureBracket objects are created by: **Ligature_bracket_engraver** (page 326).

Standard settings:

bracket-visibility (boolean or symbol):

#t

This controls the visibility of the tuplet bracket. Setting it to false prevents printing of the bracket. Setting the property to **if-no-beam** makes it print only if there is no beam associated with this tuplet bracket.

connect-to-neighbor (pair):

ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-connect-to-neighbors

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

edge-height (pair):

'(0.7 . 0.7)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (**left-height** . **right-height**).

padding (dimension, in staff space):

2.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

positions (pair of numbers):

ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-positions

Pair of staff coordinates (**start** . **end**), where **start** and **end** are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers):

'(-0.2 . -0.2)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:tuplet-bracket::print`
The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
1.6
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

tuplet-slur (boolean)
Draw a slur instead of a bracket for tuplets.

X-positions (pair of numbers):
`ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-x-positions`
Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left . right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-interface** (page 592), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **tuplet-bracket-interface** (page 634).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.73 LyricExtender

LyricExtender objects are created by: **Extender_engraver** (page 317).

Standard settings:

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):
1.5

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:lyric-extender::print`
The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
0.8
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
'(0 . 0)
Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **lyric-extender-interface** (page 594), **lyric-interface** (page 595), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.74 LyricHyphen

LyricHyphen objects are created by: **Hyphen_engraver** (page 322).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

dash-period (number):

10.0

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

height (dimension, in staff space):

0.42

Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

length (dimension, in staff space):

0.66

User override for the stem length of unbeamed stems (each unit represents half a **staff-space**).

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space):

0.1

Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.07

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

`ly:lyric-hyphen::set-spacing-rods`

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:lyric-hyphen::print`

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

1.3

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 '(0 . 0)
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **lyric-hyphen-interface** (page 595), **lyric-interface** (page 595), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.75 LyricSpace

LyricSpace objects are created by: **Hyphen_engraver** (page 322).

Standard settings:

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space):
 0.45
 Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

padding (dimension, in staff space):
 0.0
 Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

springs-and-rods (boolean):
 ly:lyric-hyphen::set-spacing-rods
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

X-extent (pair of numbers)
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **lyric-hyphen-interface** (page 595), **lyric-space-interface** (page 596), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.76 LyricText

LyricText objects are created by: **Lyric_engraver** (page 326).

Standard settings:

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):
 '(0.2 . -0.2)
 In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to (-inf.0 . +inf.0).

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(0.0 . 0.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-series (symbol):

`'medium`

Select the series of a font. Choices include `medium`, `bold`, `bold-narrow`, etc.

font-size (number):

`1.0`

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

parent-alignment-X (number):

`'()`

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

skyline-horizontal-padding (number):

`0.1`

For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

stencil (stencil):

`lyric-text::print`

The symbol to print.

text (markup):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

word-space (dimension, in staff space):

`0.6`

Space to insert between words in texts.

X-align-on-main-noteheads (boolean):
 #t
 If true, this grob will ignore suspended noteheads when aligning itself on NoteColumn.

X-offset (number):
 ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **lyric-syllable-interface** (page 596), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.77 MeasureCounter

MeasureCounter objects are created by: **Measure_counter_engraver** (page 328).

Standard settings:

count-from (integer):
 1
 The first measure in a measure count receives this number. The following measures are numbered in increments from this initial value.

direction (direction):
 1
 If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

font-encoding (symbol):
 'fetaText
 The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):
 -2
 The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

number-range-separator (markup):
 "_"
 For a measure counter extending over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), this is the separator between the two printed numbers.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.5

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

750

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

spacing-pair (pair):

'(break-alignment . break-alignment)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right **BreakAlignments**.

For example, a **MultiMeasureRest** will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

centered-text-interface::print

The symbol to print.

text (markup):

measure-counter::text

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

word-space (dimension, in staff space):

0.2

Space to insert between words in texts.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `centered-text-interface` (page 567), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `measure-counter-interface` (page 596), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.78 MeasureGrouping

`MeasureGrouping` objects are created by: `Measure_grouping_engraver` (page 329).

Standard settings:

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`height` (dimension, in staff space):

2.0

Height of an object in `staff-space` units.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

3

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:measure-grouping::print`

The symbol to print.

`thickness` (number):

1

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`Y-offset` (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `measure-grouping-interface` (page 596), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.79 MeasureSpanner

`MeasureSpanner` objects are created by: `Measure_spanner_engraver` (page 329).

Standard settings:

`connect-to-neighbor` (pair):

`ly:measure-spanner::calc-connect-to-neighbors`

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`edge-height` (pair):

`'(0.7 . 0.7)`

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

750

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`spacing-pair` (pair):

`'(staff-bar . staff-bar)`

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right `BreakAlignments`.

For example, a `MultiMeasureRest` will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
  #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

```

stencil (stencil):
    ly:measure-spanner::print
    The symbol to print.

Y-offset (number):
    #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
    position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
    ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
    The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-interface** (page 592), **measure-spanner-interface** (page 597), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.80 MelodyItem

MelodyItem objects are created by: **Melody_engraver** (page 329).

Standard settings:

```

neutral-direction (direction):
    -1
    Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **melody-spanner-interface** (page 598).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.81 MensuralLigature

MensuralLigature objects are created by: **Mensural_ligature_engraver** (page 329).

Standard settings:

```

springs-and-rods (boolean):
    ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods
    Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

```

```

stencil (stencil):
    ly:mensural-ligature::print
    The symbol to print.

```

```

thickness (number):
    1.3
    For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties,
    this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest
    point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This
    property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the
    visual output is influenced by changes to Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness).

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **mensural-ligature-interface** (page 598), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.82 MetronomeMark

MetronomeMark objects are created by: `Metronome_mark_engraver` (page 330).

Standard settings:

`after-line-breaking` (boolean):

`ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

`break-align-symbols` (list):

`'(time-signature)`

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to `break-visibility`, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

`break-visibility` (vector):

`##(#f #t #t)`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

`direction` (direction):

`1`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`extra-spacing-width` (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

`flag-style` (symbol):

`'default`

The style of the flag to be used with MetronomeMark. Available are 'modern-straight-flag, 'old-straight-flag, flat-flag, mensural and 'default

`non-break-align-symbols` (list):

`'(paper-column-interface)`

A list of symbols that determine which NON-break-aligned interfaces to align this to.

`outside-staff-horizontal-padding` (number):

`0.2`

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

`1300`

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

-1

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

stencil (stencil):

ly:text-interface::print

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-alignable-interface** (page 563), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **metronome-mark-interface** (page 599), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.83 MultiMeasureRest

MultiMeasureRest objects are created by: **Multi_measure_rest_engraver** (page 331).

Standard settings:

bound-padding (number):

0.5

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

expand-limit (integer):
 10
 Maximum number of measures expanded in church rests.

hair-thickness (number):
 2.0
 Thickness of the thin line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

max-symbol-separation (number):
 8.0
 The maximum distance between symbols making up a church rest.

round-up-exceptions (list):
 '()
 A list of pairs where car is the numerator and cdr the denominator of a moment. Each pair in this list means that the multi-measure rests of the corresponding length will be rounded up to the longer rest. See *round-up-to-longer-rest*.

spacing-pair (pair):
 '(break-alignment . break-alignment)
 A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right `BreakAlignments`.
 For example, a `MultiMeasureRest` will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

springs-and-rods (boolean):
 ly:multi-measure-rest::set-spacing-rods
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:multi-measure-rest::print
 The symbol to print.

thick-thickness (number):
 6.6
 Thickness of the thick line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

usable-duration-logs (list):
 '(-3 -2 -1 0)
 List of `duration-logs` that can be used in typesetting the grob.

voiced-position (number):
 4
 The staff-position of a voiced `Rest`, negative if the rest has `direction DOWN`.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:multi-measure-rest::height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `multi-measure-interface` (page 599), `multi-measure-rest-interface` (page 599), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `rest-interface` (page 609), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `staff-symbol-referencer-interface` (page 623).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.84 MultiMeasureRestNumber

`MultiMeasureRestNumber` objects are created by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

Standard settings:

`bound-padding` (number):

1.0

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`font-encoding` (symbol):

'fetaText

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.4

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`parent-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

`ly:multi-measure-rest::set-text-rods`

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.4

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **multi-measure-interface** (page 599), **multi-measure-rest-number-interface** (page 600), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.85 MultiMeasureRestScript

MultiMeasureRestScript objects are created by: **Multi_measure_rest_engraver** (page 331).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

outside-staff-padding (number):

0

The padding to place between grobs when spacing according to **outside-staff-priority**. Two grobs with different **outside-staff-padding** values have the larger value of padding between them.

outside-staff-priority (number):

40

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

parent-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:script-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `multi-measure-interface` (page 599), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `script-interface` (page 610), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.86 MultiMeasureRestText

`MultiMeasureRestText` objects are created by: `Multi_measure_rest_engraver` (page 331).

Standard settings:

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

450

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`parent-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`skyline-horizontal-padding` (number):

0.2

For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

```
ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent
```

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **multi-measure-interface** (page 599), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.87 NonMusicalPaperColumn

NonMusicalPaperColumn objects are created by: **Paper_column_engraver** (page 334).

Standard settings:

allow-loose-spacing (boolean):

```
#t
```

If set, column can be detached from main spacing.

axes (list):

```
'(0)
```

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

font-size (number):

```
-7.5
```

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

full-measure-extra-space (number):

```
1.0
```

Extra space that is allocated at the beginning of a measure with only one note. This property is read from the **NonMusicalPaperColumn** that begins the measure.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines):
 ly:separation-item::calc-skylines
 Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

keep-inside-line (boolean):
 #t
 If set, this column cannot have objects sticking into the margin.

layer (integer):
 1000
 An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

line-break-permission (symbol):
 'allow
 Instructs the line breaker on whether to put a line break at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.

non-musical (boolean):
 #t
 True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

page-break-permission (symbol):
 'allow
 Instructs the page breaker on whether to put a page break at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
 ly:axis-group-interface::width
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **paper-column-interface** (page 605), **separation-item-interface** (page 614), and **spaceable-grob-interface** (page 618).

This object is of class `Paper_column` (characterized by **paper-column-interface** (page 605)).

3.1.88 NoteCollision

NoteCollision objects are created by: **Collision_engraver** (page 310).

Standard settings:

axes (list):
 '(0 1)
 List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

note-collision-threshold (dimension, in staff space):
 1
 Simultaneous notes that are this close or closer in units of **staff-space** will be identified as vertically colliding. Used by **Stem** grobs for notes in the same voice, and **NoteCollision** grobs for notes in different voices. Default value 1.

prefer-dotted-right (boolean):

`#t`

For note collisions, prefer to shift dotted up-note to the right, rather than shifting just the dot.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`ly:axis-group-interface::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **note-collision-interface** (page 600).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.89 NoteColumn

NoteColumn objects are created by: **Rhythmic_column_engraver** (page 340).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(0 1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

bend-me (boolean):

`'()`

Decide whether this grob is bent.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines):

`ly:separation-item::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

main-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:note-column::calc-main-extent`

The horizontal extent of a **NoteColumn** grob without taking suspended **NoteHead** grobs into account (i.e., **NoteHeads** forced into the unnatural direction of the **Stem** because of a chromatic clash).

skyline-vertical-padding (number):

`0.15`

The amount by which the left and right skylines of a column are padded vertically, beyond the **Y-extents** and **extra-spacing-heights** of the constituent grobs in the column. Increase this to prevent interleaving of grobs from adjacent columns.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`ly:axis-group-interface::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `bend-interface` (page 562), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `note-column-interface` (page 601), and `separation-item-interface` (page 614).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.90 NoteHead

`NoteHead` objects are created by: `Completion_heads_engraver` (page 311), `Drum_notes_engraver` (page 314), and `Note_heads_engraver` (page 332).

Standard settings:

bend-me (boolean):

`'()`

Decide whether this grob is bent.

duration-log (integer):

`note-head::calc-duration-log`

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

`ly:note-head::include-ledger-line-height`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

glyph-name (string):

`note-head::calc-glyph-name`

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

parenthesis-friends (list):

`'(accidental-grob dot)`

A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has 'parenthesis-friends, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among 'parenthesis-friends.

stem-attachment (pair of numbers):

`ly:note-head::calc-stem-attachment`

An (x . y) pair where the stem attaches to the notehead.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:note-head::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:note-head::stem-x-shift`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **bend-interface** (page 562), **font-interface** (page 575), **gregorian-ligature-interface** (page 578), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **ledgered-interface** (page 592), **ligature-head-interface** (page 592), **mensural-ligature-interface** (page 598), **note-head-interface** (page 601), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), **rhythmic-head-interface** (page 610), **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623), and **vaticana-ligature-interface** (page 637).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.91 NoteName

NoteName objects are created by: **Note_name_engraver** (page 333).

Standard settings:

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **note-name-interface** (page 602), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.92 NoteSpacing

NoteSpacing objects are created by: `Note_spacing_engraver` (page 333).

Standard settings:

`knee-spacing-correction` (number):

1.0

Factor for the optical correction amount for kneed beams. Set between 0 for no correction and 1 for full correction.

`same-direction-correction` (number):

0.25

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. This amount is used for stems with the same direction to compensate for note head to stem distance.

`space-to-barline` (boolean):

#t

If set, the distance between a note and the following non-musical column will be measured to the bar line instead of to the beginning of the non-musical column. If there is a clef change followed by a bar line, for example, this means that we will try to space the non-musical column as though the clef is not there.

`stem-spacing-correction` (number):

0.5

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. For opposite directions, this amount is the correction for two normal sized stems that overlap completely.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `note-spacing-interface` (page 602), and `spacing-interface` (page 618).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.93 OttavaBracket

OttavaBracket objects are created by: `Ottava_spanner_engraver` (page 333).

Standard settings:

`dash-fraction` (number):

0.3

Size of the dashes, relative to `dash-period`. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

`edge-height` (pair):

'(0 . 0.8)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

`font-series` (symbol):

'bold

Select the series of a font. Choices include `medium`, `bold`, `bold-narrow`, etc.

`font-shape` (symbol):

'italic

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

outside-staff-priority (number):

400

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers):

'(-0.8 . -0.6)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

2.0

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:ottava-bracket::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'dashed-line

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-bracket-interface** (page 585), **line-interface** (page 592), **ottava-bracket-interface** (page 603), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.94 PaperColumn

PaperColumn objects are created by: `Paper_column_engraver` (page 334).

Standard settings:

`allow-loose-spacing` (boolean):

`#t`

If set, column can be detached from main spacing.

`axes` (list):

`'(0)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

`font-size` (number):

`-7.5`

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`horizontal-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`ly:separation-item::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

`keep-inside-line` (boolean):

`#t`

If set, this column cannot have objects sticking into the margin.

`layer` (integer):

`1000`

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

`skyline-vertical-padding` (number):

`0.08`

The amount by which the left and right skylines of a column are padded vertically, beyond the `Y-extents` and `extra-spacing-heights` of the constituent grobs in the column. Increase this to prevent interleaving of grobs from adjacent columns.

`X-extent` (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `paper-column-interface` (page 605), `separation-item-interface` (page 614), and `spaceable-grob-interface` (page 618).

This object is of class `Paper_column` (characterized by `paper-column-interface` (page 605)).

3.1.95 Parentheses

Parentheses objects are created by: `Parenthesis_engraver` (page 335).

Standard settings:

break-visibility (vector):
`#<procedure #f (grob)>`
 A vector of 3 booleans, `#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

font-size (number):
`-6`
 The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, `-1` is smaller, `+1` is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):
`0.2`
 Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stencil (stencil):
`parentheses-interface::print`
 The symbol to print.

stencils (list):
`parentheses-interface::calc-parenthesis-stencils`
 Multiple stencils, used as intermediate value.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
`'(0 . 0)`
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
`parentheses-interface::y-extent`
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `parentheses-interface` (page 606), and `sticky-grob-interface` (page 626).

This object can be of either of the following classes: `Item` (characterized by `item-interface`) or `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface`). It supports the following interfaces conditionally depending on the class: `item-interface` (page 588), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

3.1.96 PercentRepeat

PercentRepeat objects are created by: `Percent_repeat_engraver` (page 335).

Standard settings:

dot-negative-kern (number):
`0.75`
 The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

font-encoding (symbol):
 'fetaMusic

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

slope (number):
 1.0

The slope of this object.

spacing-pair (pair):
 '(break-alignment . staff-bar)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right **BreakAlignments**.

For example, a **MultiMeasureRest** will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

springs-and-rods (boolean):
 ly:multi-measure-rest::set-spacing-rods
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:multi-measure-rest::percent
 The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
 0.48

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **multi-measure-rest-interface** (page 599), **percent-repeat-interface** (page 606), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.97 PercentRepeatCounter

PercentRepeatCounter objects are created by: **Percent_repeat_engraver** (page 335).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):
 1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

font-encoding (symbol):
 'fetaText

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):

-2

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.25

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `percent-repeat-interface` (page 606), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.98 PhrasingSlur

`PhrasingSlur` objects are created by: `Phrasing_slur_engraver` (page 336).

Standard settings:

`control-points` (list of number pairs):

`ly:slur::calc-control-points`

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

`details` (list):

```
'((region-size . 4)
  (head-encompass-penalty . 1000.0)
  (stem-encompass-penalty . 30.0)
  (edge-attraction-factor . 4)
  (same-slope-penalty . 20)
  (steeper-slope-factor . 50)
  (non-horizontal-penalty . 15)
  (max-slope . 1.1)
  (max-slope-factor . 10)
  (free-head-distance . 0.3)
  (free-slur-distance . 0.8)
  (gap-to-staffline-inside . 0.2)
  (gap-to-staffline-outside . 0.1)
  (extra-object-collision-penalty . 50)
  (accidental-collision . 3)
  (extra-encompass-free-distance . 0.3)
  (extra-encompass-collision-distance . 0.8)
  (head-slur-distance-max-ratio . 3)
  (head-slur-distance-factor . 10)
  (absolute-closeness-measure . 0.3)
  (edge-slope-exponent . 1.7)
  (close-to-edge-length . 2.5)
  (encompass-object-range-overshoot . 0.5)
  (slur-tie-extrema-min-distance . 0.2)
  (slur-tie-extrema-min-distance-penalty . 2))
```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

`direction` (direction):

`ly:slur::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`height-limit` (dimension, in staff space):

2.0

Maximum slur height: The longer the slur, the closer it is to this height.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

1.5

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

ratio (number):

0.333

Parameter for slur shape. The higher this number, the quicker the slur attains its **height-limit**.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:slur::print

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

1.1

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:slur::height>
#<primitive-procedure ly:slur::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **bezier-curve-interface** (page 563), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **slur-interface** (page 615), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.99 PianoPedalBracket

PianoPedalBracket objects are created by: **Piano_pedal_engraver** (page 336).

Standard settings:

bound-padding (number):

1.0

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

bracket-flare (pair of numbers):

'(0.5 . 0.5)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

edge-height (pair):

'(1.0 . 1.0)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

shorten-pair (pair of numbers):

'(0.0 . 0.0)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

stencil (stencil):

ly:piano-pedal-bracket::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'line

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number):

1.0

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-interface** (page 592), **piano-pedal-bracket-interface** (page 607), **piano-pedal-interface** (page 608), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.100 RehearsalMark

RehearsalMark objects are created by: **Mark_engraver** (page 327).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

2

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

break-align-symbols (list):

'(staff-bar key-signature clef)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

#(#f #t #t)

A vector of 3 booleans, #(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line). #t means visible, #f means killed.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

font-size (number):

2

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

non-musical (boolean):

#t

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.2

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

1500

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):
`break-alignable-interface::self-alignment-opposite-of-anchor`
 Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:text-interface::print`
 The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):
`self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `break-alignable-interface` (page 563), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `mark-interface` (page 596), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `rehearsal-mark-interface` (page 609), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.101 RepeatSlash

RepeatSlash objects are created by: `Slash_repeat_engraver` (page 341).

Standard settings:

slash-negative-kern (number):
 0.85
 The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slope (number):
 1.7
 The slope of this object.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:percent-repeat-item-interface::beat-slash`
 The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
0.48

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): *grob-interface* (page 580), *item-interface* (page 588), *percent-repeat-interface* (page 606), *percent-repeat-item-interface* (page 607), and *rhythmic-grob-interface* (page 609).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by *item-interface* (page 588)).

3.1.102 RepeatTie

RepeatTie objects are created by: *Repeat_tie_engraver* (page 339).

Standard settings:

control-points (list of number pairs):
ly:semi-tie::calc-control-points

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

details (list):
'((ratio . 0.333) (height-limit . 1.0))

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a *details* property.

direction (direction):
ly:tie::calc-direction

If *side-axis* is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):
'(-0.5 . 0.5)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to (-inf.0 . +inf.0).

head-direction (direction):
1

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

```

stencil (stencil):
    ly:tie::print
    The symbol to print.

thickness (number):
    1.0
    For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties,
    this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest
    point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This
    property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the
    visual output is influenced by changes to Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
    #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
    skylines-from-stencil> >
    Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
    #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
    height> >
    Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
    object's reference point.

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **bezier-curve-interface** (page 563), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **semi-tie-interface** (page 613), and **tie-interface** (page 631).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.103 RepeatTieColumn

RepeatTieColumn objects are created by: **Repeat_tie_engraver** (page 339).

Standard settings:

```

head-direction (direction):
    ly:semi-tie-column::calc-head-direction
    Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

X-extent (pair of numbers)
    Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
    object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)
    Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to
    object's reference point.

```

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **semi-tie-column-interface** (page 612).

This object is of class *Item* (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.104 Rest

Rest objects are created by: **Completion_rest_engraver** (page 311), and **Rest_engraver** (page 339).

Standard settings:

```

duration-log (integer):
    stem::calc-duration-log
    The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

```

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space):
 0.25
 Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

parenthesis-friends (list):
 '(dot)
 A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has 'parenthesis-friends, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among 'parenthesis-friends.

stencil (stencil):
 ly:rest::print
 The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

voiced-position (number):
 4
 The staff-position of a voiced Rest, negative if the rest has direction DOWN.

X-extent (pair of numbers):
 ly:rest::width
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:rest::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:rest::pure-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:rest::y-offset-callback> >
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **rest-interface** (page 609), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), **rhythmic-head-interface** (page 610), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class Item (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.105 RestCollision

RestCollision objects are created by: **Rest_collision_engraver** (page 339).

Standard settings:

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space):
 0.75
 Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **rest-collision-interface** (page 609).

This object is of class Item (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.106 Script

Script objects are created by: `Drum_notes_engraver` (page 314), `New_fingering_engraver` (page 332), and `Script_engraver` (page 340).

Standard settings:

`add-stem-support` (boolean):

`#t`

If set, the `Stem` object is included in this script's support.

`direction` (direction):

`ly:script-interface::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed `LEFT`, `CENTER` or `RIGHT` with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed `UP`, `CENTER` or `DOWN`. Numerical values may also be used: `UP=1`, `DOWN=-1`, `LEFT=-1`, `RIGHT=1`, `CENTER=0`.

`font-encoding` (symbol):

`'fetaMusic`

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

`horizon-padding` (number):

`0.1`

The amount to pad the axis along which a `Skyline` is built for the `side-position-interface`.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

`1`

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`slur-padding` (number):

`0.2`

Extra distance between slur and script.

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

`0.25`

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:script-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

`vertical-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`script-interface::calc-x-offset`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `script-interface` (page 610), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), and `side-position-interface` (page 614).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.107 ScriptColumn

`ScriptColumn` objects are created by: `Script_column_engraver` (page 340).

Standard settings:

before-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:script-column::before-line-breaking`

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `script-column-interface` (page 610).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.108 ScriptRow

`ScriptRow` objects are created by: `Script_row_engraver` (page 340).

Standard settings:

before-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:script-column::row-before-line-breaking`

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `script-column-interface` (page 610).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.109 SectionLabel

`SectionLabel` objects are created by: `Mark_engraver` (page 327).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

`ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff`

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

2

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

break-align-symbols (list):

'(left-edge staff-bar)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

#(#f #t #t)

A vector of 3 booleans, #(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line). #t means visible, #f means killed.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

font-size (number):

1.5

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

non-musical (boolean):

#t

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.2

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

1550

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

-1

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

ly:text-interface::print

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-alignable-interface** (page 563), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **section-label-interface** (page 611), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.110 SegnoMark

SegnoMark objects are created by: **Mark_engraver** (page 327).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

2

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

break-align-symbols (list):

'(staff-bar key-signature clef)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

`##f #t #t`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `#t` means visible, `##f` means killed.

direction (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-size (number):

2

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

non-musical (boolean):

`#t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.2

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

1500

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

self-alignment-X (number):

`break-alignable-interface::self-alignment-opposite-of-anchor`

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

```
self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable
```

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-alignable-interface** (page 563), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **mark-interface** (page 596), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **segno-mark-interface** (page 611), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.111 Slur

Slur objects are created by: **Slur_engraver** (page 342).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

```
'inside
```

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

control-points (list of number pairs):

```
ly:slur::calc-control-points
```

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

details (list):

```
'((region-size . 4)
(head-encompass-penalty . 1000.0)
(stem-encompass-penalty . 30.0)
(edge-attraction-factor . 4)
(same-slope-penalty . 20))
```

```

(steeper-slope-factor . 50)
(non-horizontal-penalty . 15)
(max-slope . 1.1)
(max-slope-factor . 10)
(free-head-distance . 0.3)
(free-slur-distance . 0.8)
(gap-to-staffline-inside . 0.2)
(gap-to-staffline-outside . 0.1)
(extra-object-collision-penalty . 50)
(accidental-collision . 3)
(extra-encompass-free-distance . 0.3)
(extra-encompass-collision-distance . 0.8)
(head-slur-distance-max-ratio . 3)
(head-slur-distance-factor . 10)
(absolute-closeness-measure . 0.3)
(edge-slope-exponent . 1.7)
(close-to-edge-length . 2.5)
(encompass-object-range-overshoot . 0.5)
(slur-tie-extrema-min-distance . 0.2)
(slur-tie-extrema-min-distance-penalty . 2))

```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

direction (direction):

`ly:slur::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

height-limit (dimension, in staff space):

2.0

Maximum slur height: The longer the slur, the closer it is to this height.

line-thickness (number):

0.8

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):

1.5

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the `springs-and-rods` property. If added to a Tie, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

ratio (number):

0.25

Parameter for slur shape. The higher this number, the quicker the slur attains its `height-limit`.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

`ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods`

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:slur::print`

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

1.2

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:slur::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:slur::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `bezier-curve-interface` (page 563), `grob-interface` (page 580), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `slur-interface` (page 615), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.112 SostenutoPedal

`SostenutoPedal` objects are created by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

font-shape (symbol):

`'italic`

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value `-1` means aligned on parent's left edge, `0` on center, and `1` right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **piano-pedal-script-interface** (page 608), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.113 SostenutoPedalLineSpanner

SostenutoPedalLineSpanner objects are created by: **Piano_pedal_align_engraver** (page 336).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

`-1`

If **side-axis** is `0` (or **X**), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=`1`, **DOWN**=`-1`, **LEFT**=`-1`, **RIGHT**=`1`, **CENTER**=`0`.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space):

`1.0`

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

outside-staff-priority (number):

1000

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is **X** (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is **Y** or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skyline-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **piano-pedal-interface** (page 608), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.114 SpacingSpanner

SpacingSpanner objects are created by: **Spacing_engraver** (page 342).

Standard settings:

average-spacing-wishes (boolean):

#t

If set, the spacing wishes are averaged over staves.

base-shortest-duration (moment):

#<Mom 3/16>

Spacing is based on the shortest notes in a piece. Normally, pieces are spaced as if notes at least as short as this are present.

common-shortest-duration (moment):

ly:spacing-spanner::calc-common-shortest-duration

The most common shortest note length. This is used in spacing. Enlarging this sets the score tighter.

shortest-duration-space (number):

2.0

Start with this multiple of **spacing-increment** space for the shortest duration. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

spacing-increment (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

The unit of length for note-spacing. Typically, the width of a note head. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

ly:spacing-spanner::set-springs

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **spacing-options-interface** (page 619), **spacing-spanner-interface** (page 619), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.115 SpanBar

SpanBar objects are created by: **Span_bar_engraver** (page 343).

Standard settings:

allow-span-bar (boolean):

#t

If false, no inter-staff bar line will be created below this bar line.

bar-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >

The Y-extent of the actual bar line. This may differ from **Y-extent** because it does not include the dots in a repeat bar line.

before-line-breaking (boolean):

ly:span-bar::before-line-breaking

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

'staff-bar

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

glyph-name (string):

ly:span-bar::calc-glyph-name

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

layer (integer):

0

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

non-musical (boolean):

#t

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:span-bar::print`

The symbol to print.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:span-bar::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `bar-line-interface` (page 558), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `span-bar-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.116 SpanBarStub

`SpanBarStub` objects are created by: `Span_bar_stub_engraver` (page 343).

Standard settings:

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

`pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to `(-inf.0 . +inf.0)`.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<procedure #f (grob)>`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #f #<procedure pure-from-neighbor-interface::pure-height (grob beg end)> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), and `pure-from-neighbor-interface` (page 608).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.117 StaffEllipsis

`StaffEllipsis` objects are created by: `Skip_typesetting_engraver` (page 341).

Standard settings:

`break-align-symbol` (symbol):
`'staff-ellipsis`

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

`break-visibility` (vector):
`##(##t ##t ##t)`

A vector of 3 booleans, `##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)`. `##t` means visible, `##f` means killed.

`layer` (integer):
`1`

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of `layer` are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a `layer` value of 1.

`non-musical` (boolean):
`##t`

True if the grob belongs to a `NonMusicalPaperColumn`.

`space-alist` (list):
`'((ambitus extra-space . 1.0)`
`(breathing-sign extra-space . 1.0)`
`(custos extra-space . 1.0)`
`(key-signature extra-space . 1.0)`
`(time-signature extra-space . 1.0)`
`(staff-bar extra-space . 1.0)`
`(clef extra-space . 1.0)`
`(cue-clef extra-space . 1.0)`
`(cue-end-clef extra-space . 1.0)`
`(first-note extra-space . 1.0)`
`(right-edge fixed-space . 0))`

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for `break-align-symbol` are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to `space-alist` are:

`first-note`
 used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

staff-ellipsis::print

The symbol to print.

text (markup):

```
'(#<procedure line-markup (layout props args)>
  ((#<procedure null-markup (layout props)>)
   (#<procedure musicglyph-markup (layout props glyph-name)>
    "dots.dot")
   (#<procedure musicglyph-markup (layout props glyph-name)>
    "dots.dot")
   (#<procedure musicglyph-markup (layout props glyph-name)>
    "dots.dot")
   (#<procedure null-markup (layout props)>)))
```

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

whiteout (boolean-or-number):
#t

If a number or true, the grob is printed over a white background to white-out underlying material, if the grob is visible. A number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box of the grob as a multiple of the staff-line thickness. The **LyricHyphen** grob uses a special implementation of whiteout: A positive number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box in multiples of **line-thickness**. The shape of the background is determined by **whiteout-style**. Usually **#f** by default.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
staff-ellipsis::calc-y-extent

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.118 StaffGrouper

StaffGrouper objects are not created by any engraver.

Standard settings:

staff-staff-spacing (list):
 '((basic-distance . 9)
 (minimum-distance . 7)
 (padding . 1)
 (stretchability . 5))

When applied to a staff-group's **StaffGrouper** grob, this spacing alist controls the distance between consecutive staves within the staff-group. When applied to a staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob, it controls the distance between the staff and the nearest staff below it in the same system, replacing any settings inherited from the **StaffGrouper** grob of the containing staff-group, if there is one. This property remains in effect even when non-staff lines appear between staves. The alist can contain the following keys:

- **basic-distance** – the vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items when no collisions would result, and no stretching or compressing is in effect.
- **minimum-distance** – the smallest allowable vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items, when compressing is in effect.
- **padding** – the minimum required amount of unobstructed vertical white-space between the bounding boxes (or skylines) of the two items, measured in staff-spaces.
- **stretchability** – a unitless measure of the dimension's relative propensity to stretch. If zero, the distance will not stretch (unless collisions would result).

staffgroup-staff-spacing (list):
 '((basic-distance . 10.5)
 (minimum-distance . 8))

```
(padding . 1)
(stretchability . 9))
```

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the last staff of the current staff-group and the staff just below it in the same system, even if one or more non-staff lines exist between the two staves. If the **staff-staff-spacing** property of the staff’s **VerticalAxisGroup** grob is set, that is used instead. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **staff-grouper-interface** (page 621).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.119 StaffSpacing

StaffSpacing objects are created by: **Separating_line_group_engraver** (page 341).

Standard settings:

```
non-musical (boolean):
  #t
  True if the grob belongs to a NonMusicalPaperColumn.

stem-spacing-correction (number):
  0.4
  Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations.
  For opposite directions, this amount is the correction for two normal sized
  stems that overlap completely.
```

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **spacing-interface** (page 618), and **staff-spacing-interface** (page 622).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.120 StaffSymbol

StaffSymbol objects are created by: **Staff_symbol_engraver** (page 344), and **Tab_staff_symbol_engraver** (page 346).

Standard settings:

```
break-align-symbols (list):
  '(staff-bar break-alignment)
  A list of break-align symbols that determines which breakable items to align
  this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to
  break-visibility, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are
  listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in Internals Reference.

layer (integer):
  0
  An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the
  lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher
  values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower
  values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

ledger-line-thickness (pair of numbers):
  '(1.0 . 0.1)
  The thickness of ledger lines. It is the sum of 2 numbers: The first is the
  factor for line thickness, and the second for staff space. Both contributions
  are added.
```

line-count (integer):

5

The number of staff lines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:staff-symbol::print`

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol::height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **staff-symbol-interface** (page 622).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.121 StanzaNumber

StanzaNumber objects are created by: **Stanza_number_engraver** (page 344).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

font-series (symbol):

'bold

Select the series of a font. Choices include **medium**, **bold**, **bold-narrow**, etc.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

0

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

`ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `stanza-number-interface` (page 623), and `text-interface` (page 629).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.122 Stem

Stem objects are created by: `Span_stem_engraver` (page 343), and `Stem_engraver` (page 344).

Standard settings:

`beamlet-default-length` (pair):

`'(1.1 . 1.1)`

A pair of numbers. The first number specifies the default length of a beamlet that sticks out of the left hand side of this stem; the second number specifies the default length of the beamlet to the right. The actual length of a beamlet is determined by taking either the default length or the length specified by `beamlet-max-length-proportion`, whichever is smaller.

`beamlet-max-length-proportion` (pair):

`'(0.75 . 0.75)`

The maximum length of a beamlet, as a proportion of the distance between two adjacent stems.

`default-direction` (direction):

`ly:stem::calc-default-direction`

Direction determined by note head positions.

`details` (list):

`'((lengths 3.5 3.5 3.5 4.25 5.0 6.0 7.0 8.0 9.0)
(beamed-lengths 3.26 3.5 3.6)
(beamed-minimum-free-lengths 1.83 1.5 1.25)
(beamed-extreme-minimum-free-lengths 2.0 1.25)
(stem-shorten 1.0 0.5 0.25))`

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

`direction` (direction):

`ly:stem::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`double-stem-separation` (number):

0.5

The distance between the two stems of a half note in tablature when using `\tabFullNotation`, not counting the width of the stems themselves, expressed as a multiple of the default height of a staff-space in the traditional five-line staff.

`duration-log` (integer):

`stem::calc-duration-log`

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

length (dimension, in staff space):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::calc-length> #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::pure-calc-length> >
```

User override for the stem length of unbeamed stems (each unit represents half a **staff-space**).

neutral-direction (direction):

```
-1
```

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

note-collision-threshold (dimension, in staff space):

```
1
```

Simultaneous notes that are this close or closer in units of **staff-space** will be identified as vertically colliding. Used by **Stem** grobs for notes in the same voice, and **NoteCollision** grobs for notes in different voices. Default value 1.

stem-begin-position (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::calc-stem-begin-position> #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::pure-calc-stem-begin-position> >
```

User override for the begin position of a stem.

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:stem::print
```

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

```
1.3
```

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:stem::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):

```
ly:stem::offset-callback
```

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:stem::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **stem-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.123 StemStub

StemStub objects are created by: **Stem_engraver** (page 344).

Standard settings:

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

stem-stub::extra-spacing-height

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to **(-inf.0 . +inf.0)**.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

stem-stub::width

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #f #<procedure stem-stub::pure-height (grob beg end)>>

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), and **item-interface** (page 588).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.124 StemTremolo

StemTremolo objects are created by: **Stem_engraver** (page 344).

Standard settings:

beam-thickness (dimension, in staff space):

0.48

Beam thickness, measured in **staff-space** units.

beam-width (dimension, in staff space):

ly:stem-tremolo::calc-width

Width of the tremolo sign.

direction (direction):

ly:stem-tremolo::calc-direction

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP=1**, **DOWN=-1**, **LEFT=-1**, **RIGHT=1**, **CENTER=0**.

parent-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value **-1** means aligned on parent’s left edge, **0** on center, and **1** right edge, in X direction.

Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

- shape** (symbol):
`ly:stem-tremolo::calc-shape`
 This setting determines what shape a grob has. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.
- slope** (number):
`ly:stem-tremolo::calc-slope`
 The slope of this object.
- stencil** (stencil):
`ly:stem-tremolo::print`
 The symbol to print.
- X-extent** (pair of numbers):
`ly:stem-tremolo::width`
 Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.
- X-offset** (number):
`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.
- Y-extent** (pair of numbers):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> #<primitive-procedure ly:stem-tremolo::pure-height>>`
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.
- Y-offset** (number):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:stem-tremolo::calc-y-offset> #<primitive-procedure ly:stem-tremolo::pure-calc-y-offset>>`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `item-interface` (page 588), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), and `stem-tremolo-interface` (page 626).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.125 StringNumber

`StringNumber` objects are created by: `New_fingering_engraver` (page 332).

Standard settings:

- add-stem-support** (boolean):
`only-if-beamed`
 If set, the `Stem` object is included in this script's support.
- avoid-slur** (symbol):
`'around`
 Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the

slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

font-encoding (symbol):

'fetaText

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):

-5

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

number-type (symbol):

'arabic

Numbering style. Choices include **roman-lower**, **roman-upper** and **arabic**.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

script-priority (number):

100

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number):

0

Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):
 print-circled-text-callback
 The symbol to print.

text (markup):
 string-number::calc-text
 Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):
 #<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **number-interface** (page 603), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **string-number-interface** (page 627), **text-interface** (page 629), and **text-script-interface** (page 630).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.126 StrokeFinger

StrokeFinger objects are created by: **New_fingering_engraver** (page 332).

Standard settings:

add-stem-support (boolean):
 only-if-beamed
 If set, the **Stem** object is included in this script’s support.

digit-names (vector):
 #("p" "i" "m" "a" "x")
 Names for string finger digits.

font-shape (symbol):
 'italic
 Select the shape of a font. Choices include **upright**, **italic**, **caps**.

font-size (number):
 -4
 The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):
 0.5
 Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number):
 0
 Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent’s left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

script-priority (number):

100

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

self-alignment-X (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number):

0

Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

text (markup):

`stroke-finger::calc-text`

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **stroke-finger-interface** (page 627), **text-interface** (page 629), and **text-script-interface** (page 630).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.127 SustainPedal

SustainPedal objects are created by: **Piano_pedal_engraver** (page 336).

Standard settings:

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

`'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to `(+inf.0 . -inf.0)`.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value `-1` means aligned on parent's left edge, `0` on center, and `1` right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

self-alignment-X (number):

`0`

Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:sustain-pedal::print`

The symbol to print.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-offset (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **piano-pedal-interface** (page 608), **piano-pedal-script-interface** (page 608), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.128 SustainPedalLineSpanner

SustainPedalLineSpanner objects are created by: **Piano_pedal_align_engraver** (page 336).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

`-1`

If **side-axis** is `0` (or **X**), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=`1`, **DOWN**=`-1`, **LEFT**=`-1`, **RIGHT**=`1`, **CENTER**=`0`.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

outside-staff-priority (number):

1000

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skylines-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **piano-pedal-interface** (page 608), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.129 System

System objects are not created by any engraver.

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(0 1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

outside-staff-placement-directive (symbol):

`'left-to-right-polite`

One of four directives telling how outside staff objects should be placed.

- **left-to-right-greedy** – Place each successive grob from left to right.
- **left-to-right-polite** – Place a grob from left to right only if it does not potentially overlap with another grob that has been placed on a pass through a grob array. If there is overlap, do another pass to determine placement.
- **right-to-left-greedy** – Same as **left-to-right-greedy**, but from right to left.
- **right-to-left-polite** – Same as **left-to-right-polite**, but from right to left.

show-vertical-skylines (boolean):

`grob::show-skylines-if-debug-skylines-set`

If true, print this grob's vertical skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.

skyline-horizontal-padding (number):

`1.0`

For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`ly:axis-group-interface::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:system::height>
#<primitive-procedure ly:system::calc-pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-axis-group-interface** (page 604), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **system-interface** (page 627).

This object is of class **System** (characterized by **system-interface** (page 627)).

3.1.130 SystemStartBar

`SystemStartBar` objects are created by: `System_start_delimiter_engraver` (page 345).

Standard settings:

`collapse-height` (dimension, in staff space):
5.0

Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.

`direction` (direction):
-1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):
-0.1

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`stencil` (stencil):
`ly:system-start-delimiter::print`
The symbol to print.

`style` (symbol):
'bar-line
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.

`thickness` (number):
1.6
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`X-offset` (number):
`ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side`
The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `system-start-delimiter-interface` (page 628).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.131 SystemStartBrace

`SystemStartBrace` objects are created by: `System_start_delimiter_engraver` (page 345).

Standard settings:

`collapse-height` (dimension, in staff space):
5.0

Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

font-encoding (symbol):

'fetaBraces

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only Lilypond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stencil (stencil):

ly:system-start-delimiter::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'brace

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

X-offset (number):

ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **system-start-delimiter-interface** (page 628).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.132 SystemStartBracket

SystemStartBracket objects are created by: **System_start_delimiter_engraver** (page 345).

Standard settings:

collapse-height (dimension, in staff space):

5.0

Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.8

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stencil (stencil):
 `ly:system-start-delimiter::print`
 The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
 `'bracket`
 This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number):
 0.45
 For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

X-offset (number):
 `ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **system-start-delimiter-interface** (page 628).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.133 SystemStartSquare

SystemStartSquare objects are created by: **System_start_delimiter_engraver** (page 345).

Standard settings:

collapse-height (dimension, in staff space):
 5.0
 Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.

direction (direction):
 -1
 If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

stencil (stencil):
 `ly:system-start-delimiter::print`
 The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
 `'line-bracket`
 This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number):
 1.0
 For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest

point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`X-offset` (number):

`ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `spanner-interface` (page 620), and `system-start-delimiter-interface` (page 628).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.134 TabNoteHead

`TabNoteHead` objects are created by: `Tab_note_heads_engraver` (page 345).

Standard settings:

`bend-me` (boolean):

`'()`

Decide whether this grob is bent.

`details` (list):

```
'((cautionary-properties
  (angularity . 0.4)
  (half-thickness . 0.075)
  (padding . 0)
  (procedure
    .
    #<procedure parenthesize-stencil (stencil half-thickness width angularity)
    (width . 0.25))
  (head-offset . 3/5)
  (harmonic-properties
    (angularity . 2)
    (half-thickness . 0.075)
    (padding . 0)
    (procedure
      .
      #<procedure parenthesize-stencil (stencil half-thickness width angularity)
      (width . 0.25))
  (repeat-tied-properties
    (note-head-visible . #t)
    (parenthesize . #t))
  (tied-properties (parenthesize . #t))))
```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

`direction` (direction):

`0`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

- duration-log** (integer):
`note-head::calc-duration-log`
 The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.
- font-series** (symbol):
`'bold`
 Select the series of a font. Choices include `medium`, `bold`, `bold-narrow`, etc.
- font-size** (number):
`-2`
 The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.
- parenthesis-friends** (list):
`'(dot)`
 A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has ‘parenthesis-friends, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among ‘parenthesis-friends.
- stem-attachment** (pair of numbers):
`ly:note-head::calc-tab-stem-attachment`
 An (*x* . *y*) pair where the stem attaches to the notehead.
- stencil** (stencil):
`tab-note-head::print`
 The symbol to print.
- whiteout** (boolean-or-number):
`#t`
 If a number or true, the grob is printed over a white background to white-out underlying material, if the grob is visible. A number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box of the grob as a multiple of the staff-line thickness. The `LyricHyphen` grob uses a special implementation of whiteout: A positive number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box in multiples of `line-thickness`. The shape of the background is determined by `whiteout-style`. Usually `#f` by default.
- X-offset** (number):
`ly:self-alignment-interface::x-aligned-on-self`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.
- Y-extent** (pair of numbers):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`
 Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.
- Y-offset** (number):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **bend-interface** (page 562), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **note-head-interface** (page 601), **rhythmic-grob-interface** (page 609), **rhythmic-head-interface** (page 610), **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623), **tab-note-head-interface** (page 629), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.135 TextScript

TextScript objects are created by: **Text_engraver** (page 347).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

'around

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number):

0.2

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-priority (number):

450

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction.

Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`script-priority` (number):

200

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

`self-alignment-X` (number)

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

`slur-padding` (number):

0.5

Extra distance between slur and script.

`staff-padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.5

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

`vertical-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

`X-align-on-main-noteheads` (boolean):

`#t`

If true, this grob will ignore suspended noteheads when aligning itself on `NoteColumn`.

`X-offset` (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

`Y-extent` (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

`Y-offset` (number):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `accidental-switch-interface` (page 553), `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `instrument-specific-markup-interface` (page 586), `item-interface` (page 588), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `self-alignment-interface` (page 611), `side-position-interface` (page 614), `text-interface` (page 629), and `text-script-interface` (page 630).

This object is of class `Item` (characterized by `item-interface` (page 588)).

3.1.136 TextSpanner

`TextSpanner` objects are created by: `Text_spanner_engraver` (page 347).

Standard settings:

`bound-details` (list):

```
'((left (padding . 0.25) (attach-dir . -1))
  (left-broken (attach-dir . 1))
  (right (padding . 0.25)))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

`dash-fraction` (number):

0.2

Size of the dashes, relative to `dash-period`. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

`dash-period` (number):

3.0

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`font-shape` (symbol):

`'italic`

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

`left-bound-info` (list):

```
ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

`outside-staff-priority` (number):

350

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

`right-bound-info` (list):

```
ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

`side-axis` (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):
0.8

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:line-spanner::print`
The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
'dashed-line
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

Y-offset (number):
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-line-spanner-interface** (page 586), **line-interface** (page 592), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.137 Tie

Tie objects are created by: **Completion_heads_engraver** (page 311), and **Tie_engraver** (page 347).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):
'inside
Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

control-points (list of number pairs):
`ly:tie::calc-control-points`
List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

details (list):
'((ratio . 0.333)
 (center-staff-line-clearance . 0.6)
 (tip-staff-line-clearance . 0.45)
 (note-head-gap . 0.2)
 (stem-gap . 0.35)

```

(height-limit . 1.0)
(horizontal-distance-penalty-factor . 10)
(same-dir-as-stem-penalty . 8)
(min-length-penalty-factor . 26)
(tie-tie-collision-distance . 0.45)
(tie-tie-collision-penalty . 25.0)
(intra-space-threshold . 1.25)
(outer-tie-vertical-distance-symmetry-penalty-factor
 .
 10)
(outer-tie-length-symmetry-penalty-factor . 10)
(vertical-distance-penalty-factor . 7)
(outer-tie-vertical-gap . 0.25)
(multi-tie-region-size . 3)
(single-tie-region-size . 4)
(between-length-limit . 1.0))

```

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

direction (direction):

`ly:tie::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

line-thickness (number):

0.8

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

neutral-direction (direction):

1

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

springs-and-rods (boolean):

`ly:spanner::set-spacing-rods`

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:tie::print`

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

1.2

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skyline-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

This object supports the following interface(s): **bezier-curve-interface** (page 563), **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **tie-interface** (page 631).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.138 TieColumn

TieColumn objects are created by: **Completion_heads_engraver** (page 311), and **Tie_engraver** (page 347).

Standard settings:

before-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:tie-column::before-line-breaking
```

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **tie-column-interface** (page 630).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.139 TimeSignature

TimeSignature objects are created by: **Time_signature_engraver** (page 348).

Standard settings:

avoid-slur (symbol):

```
'inside
```

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

break-align-anchor (number):

```
ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor
```

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-anchor-alignment (number):

```
-1
```

Read by **ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor** for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

break-align-symbol (symbol):

'time-signature

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-visibility (vector):

##(##t ##t ##t)

A vector of 3 booleans, ##(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line). ##t means visible, ##f means killed.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers):

pure-from-neighbor-interface::extra-spacing-height-including-staff

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to (-inf.0 . +inf.0).

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers):

'(0.0 . 0.8)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

non-musical (boolean):

##t

True if the grob belongs to a NonMusicalPaperColumn.

space-alist (list):

```
'((ambitus extra-space . 1.0)
  (cue-clef extra-space . 1.5)
  (first-note fixed-space . 2.0)
  (right-edge extra-space . 0.5)
  (staff-bar extra-space . 1.0))
```

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the *extra-space* spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

stencil (stencil):

ly:time-signature::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'C

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **break-aligned-interface** (page 564), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **pure-from-neighbor-interface** (page 608), and **time-signature-interface** (page 634).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.140 TrillPitchAccidental

TrillPitchAccidental objects are created by: **Pitched_trill_engraver** (page 337).

Standard settings:

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

font-size (number):

-4

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

0

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

stencil (stencil):

ly:accidental-interface::print

The symbol to print.

X-offset (number):

ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:accidental-interface::height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **accidental-interface** (page 551), **accidental-switch-interface** (page 553), **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **inline-accidental-interface** (page 586), **item-interface** (page 588), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **trill-pitch-accidental-interface** (page 634).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.141 TrillPitchGroup

TrillPitchGroup objects are created by: **Pitched_trill_engraver** (page 337).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

'(0)

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

horizon-padding (number):

0.1

The amount to pad the axis along which a **Skyline** is built for the **side-position-interface**.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space):

2.5

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

0

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

ly:axis-group-interface::width

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number):

ly:side-position-interface::x-aligned-side

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<procedure trill-pitch-group::pure-height (grob start end)>>

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), and **side-position-interface** (page 614).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.142 TrillPitchHead

TrillPitchHead objects are created by: **Pitched_trill_engraver** (page 337).

Standard settings:

duration-log (integer):

2

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

font-size (number):

-4

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

parenthesis-friends (list):

'(accidental-grob)

A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has 'parenthesis-friends, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among 'parenthesis-friends.

stencil (stencil):

ly:note-head::print

The symbol to print.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object’s reference point.

Y-offset (number):

#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:staff-symbol-referencer::callback> >

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **ledgered-interface** (page 592), **pitched-trill-interface** (page 608), **rhythmic-head-interface** (page 610), and **staff-symbol-referencer-interface** (page 623).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.143 TrillPitchParentheses

TrillPitchParentheses objects are not created by any engraver.

Standard settings:

font-size (number):

-4

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

0.3

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stencil (stencil):

parentheses-interface::print

The symbol to print.

stencils (list):

parentheses-interface::calc-parenthesis-stencils

Multiple stencils, used as intermediate value.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **parentheses-interface** (page 606), and **pitched-trill-interface** (page 608).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.144 TrillSpanner

TrillSpanner objects are created by: **Trill_spanner_engraver** (page 350).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time
```

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

bound-details (list):

```
'((left (text #<procedure musicglyph-markup (layout props glyph-name)>
          "scripts.trill")
        (stencil-offset -0.5 . -1)
        (padding . 0.5)
        (attach-dir . 0))
  (left-broken (end-on-note . #t))
  (right))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

direction (direction):

```
1
```

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

left-bound-info (list):

```
ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

outside-staff-priority (number):

```
50
```

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

```
0.5
```

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

right-bound-info (list):

```
ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is **X** (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is **Y** or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

ly:line-spanner::print

The symbol to print.

style (symbol):

'trill

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-line-spanner-interface** (page 586), **line-interface** (page 592), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **trill-spanner-interface** (page 634).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.145 TupletBracket

TupletBracket objects are created by: **Tuplet_engraver** (page 350).

Standard settings:

avoid-scripts (boolean):

#t

If set, a tuplet bracket avoids the scripts associated with the note heads it encompasses.

connect-to-neighbor (pair):

ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-connect-to-neighbors

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

direction (direction):

ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-direction

If **side-axis** is 0 (or **X**), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

edge-height (pair):

'(0.7 . 0.7)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

full-length-to-extent (boolean):

`#t`

Run to the extent of the column for a full-length tuplet bracket.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

`1.1`

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

positions (pair of numbers):

`ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-positions`

Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers):

`'(-0.2 . -0.2)`

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

`0.25`

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

stencil (stencil):

`ly:tuplet-bracket::print`

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

`1.6`

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

tuplet-slur (boolean)

Draw a slur instead of a bracket for tuplets.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-positions (pair of numbers):

`ly:tuplet-bracket::calc-x-positions`

Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left* . *right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **line-interface** (page 592), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **tuplet-bracket-interface** (page 634).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.146 TupletNumber

TupletNumber objects are created by: `Tuplet_engraver` (page 350).

Standard settings:

`avoid-slur` (symbol):
 `'inside`

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

`direction` (direction):
 `tuplet-number::calc-direction`

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`font-shape` (symbol):
 `'italic`

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

`font-size` (number):
 `-2`

The font size, compared to the ‘normal’ size. 0 is style-sheet’s normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

`knee-to-beam` (boolean):
 `#t`

Determines whether a tuplet number will be positioned next to a kneed beam.

`stencil` (stencil):
 `ly:tuplet-number::print`

The symbol to print.

`text` (markup):
 `tuplet-number::calc-denominator-text`
 Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

`X-offset` (number):
 `ly:tuplet-number::calc-x-offset`
 The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

`Y-offset` (number):
 `ly:tuplet-number::calc-y-offset`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `font-interface` (page 575), `grob-interface` (page 580), `outside-staff-interface` (page 604), `spanner-interface` (page 620), `text-interface` (page 629), and `tuplet-number-interface` (page 636).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.147 UnaCordaPedal

UnaCordaPedal objects are created by: `Piano_pedal_engraver` (page 336).

Standard settings:

`direction` (direction):

1

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`extra-spacing-width` (pair of numbers):

'(+inf.0 . -inf.0)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (+inf.0 . -inf.0).

`font-shape` (symbol):

'italic

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space):

0.0

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`parent-alignment-X` (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from `self-alignment-X` property will be used.

`self-alignment-X` (number):

0

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

`stencil` (stencil):

`ly:text-interface::print`

The symbol to print.

`vertical-skylines` (pair of skylines):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> >`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

`X-offset` (number):

`ly:self-alignment-interface::aligned-on-x-parent`

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

`Y-extent` (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **item-interface** (page 588), **piano-pedal-script-interface** (page 608), **self-alignment-interface** (page 611), and **text-interface** (page 629).

This object is of class **Item** (characterized by **item-interface** (page 588)).

3.1.148 UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner

UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner objects are created by: **Piano_pedal_align_engraver** (page 336).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

'(1)

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

-1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space):

1.0

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

outside-staff-priority (number):

1000

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is **X** (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is **Y** or 1, it is placed vertically.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space):

1.2

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skylines-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

ly:axis-group-interface::width

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **piano-pedal-interface** (page 608), **side-position-interface** (page 614), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.149 VaticanaLigature

VaticanaLigature objects are created by: **Vaticana_ligature_engraver** (page 351).

Standard settings:

stencil (stencil):

```
ly:vaticana-ligature::print
```

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

```
0.6
```

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **vaticana-ligature-interface** (page 637).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.150 VerticalAlignment

VerticalAlignment objects are created by: **Vertical_align_engraver** (page 351).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

```
'(1)
```

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

stacking-dir (direction):

```
-1
```

Stack objects in which direction?

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::combine-skylines
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): `align-interface` (page 553), `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `grob-interface` (page 580), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.151 VerticalAxisGroup

`VerticalAxisGroup` objects are created by: `Axis_group_engraver` (page 303).

Standard settings:

axes (list):

`'(1)`

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

default-staff-staff-spacing (list):

`'((basic-distance . 9)
(minimum-distance . 8)
(padding . 1))`

The settings to use for `staff-staff-spacing` when it is unset, for ungrouped staves and for grouped staves that do not have the relevant `StaffGrouper` property set (`staff-staff-spacing` or `staffgroup-staff-spacing`).

nonstaff-unrelatedstaff-spacing (list):

`'((padding . 0.5))`

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the nearest staff in the opposite direction from `staff-affinity`, if there are no other non-staff lines between the two, and `staff-affinity` is either UP or DOWN. See `staff-staff-spacing` for a description of the alist structure.

outside-staff-placement-directive (symbol):

`'left-to-right-polite`

One of four directives telling how outside staff objects should be placed.

- `left-to-right-greedy` – Place each successive grob from left to right.
- `left-to-right-polite` – Place a grob from left to right only if it does not potentially overlap with another grob that has been placed on a pass through a grob array. If there is overlap, do another pass to determine placement.
- `right-to-left-greedy` – Same as `left-to-right-greedy`, but from right to left.
- `right-to-left-polite` – Same as `left-to-right-polite`, but from right to left.

show-vertical-skylines (boolean):

`grob::show-skylines-if-debug-skylines-set`

If true, print this grob's vertical skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.

skyline-horizontal-padding (number):

0.1

For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

staff-staff-spacing (list):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::calc-staff-staff-spacing> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-interface::calc-pure-staff-staff-spacing> >`

When applied to a staff-group's **StaffGrouper** grob, this spacing alist controls the distance between consecutive staves within the staff-group. When applied to a staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob, it controls the distance between the staff and the nearest staff below it in the same system, replacing any settings inherited from the **StaffGrouper** grob of the containing staff-group, if there is one. This property remains in effect even when non-staff lines appear between staves. The alist can contain the following keys:

- **basic-distance** – the vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items when no collisions would result, and no stretching or compressing is in effect.
- **minimum-distance** – the smallest allowable vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items, when compressing is in effect.
- **padding** – the minimum required amount of unobstructed vertical white-space between the bounding boxes (or skylines) of the two items, measured in staff-spaces.
- **stretchability** – a unitless measure of the dimension's relative propensity to stretch. If zero, the distance will not stretch (unless collisions would result).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

`ly:hara-kiri-group-spanner::calc-skylines`

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

`ly:axis-group-interface::width`

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:hara-kiri-group-spanner::y-extent> #<primitive-procedure ly:hara-kiri-group-spanner::pure-height> >`

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

`ly:hara-kiri-group-spanner::force-hara-kiri-callback`

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): `axis-group-interface` (page 555), `grob-interface` (page 580), `hara-kiri-group-spanner-interface` (page 584), `outside-staff-axis-group-interface` (page 604), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.152 VoiceFollower

`VoiceFollower` objects are created by: `Note_head_line_engraver` (page 332).

Standard settings:

```
after-line-breaking (boolean):
  ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time
  Dummy property, used to trigger callback for after-line-breaking.

bound-details (list):
  '((right (attach-dir . 0) (padding . 1.5))
    (left (attach-dir . 0) (padding . 1.5)))
  An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

gap (dimension, in staff space):
  0.5
  Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

left-bound-info (list):
  ly:line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info
  An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

normalized-endpoints (pair):
  ly:spanner::calc-normalized-endpoints
  Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width
  of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

right-bound-info (list):
  ly:line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info
  An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

stencil (stencil):
  ly:line-spanner::print
  The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
  'line
  This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend
  on the stencil callback reading this property.
```

This object supports the following interface(s): `grob-interface` (page 580), `line-interface` (page 592), `line-spanner-interface` (page 593), and `spanner-interface` (page 620).

This object is of class `Spanner` (characterized by `spanner-interface` (page 620)).

3.1.153 VoltaBracket

VoltaBracket objects are created by: `Volta_engraver` (page 351).

Standard settings:

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space):

1.7

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

edge-height (pair):

'(2.0 . 2.0)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

font-encoding (symbol):

'fetaText

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

font-size (number):

-4

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers):

ly:volta-bracket::calc-shorten-pair

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

stencil (stencil):

ly:volta-bracket-interface::print

The symbol to print.

thickness (number):

1.6

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-
simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

word-space (dimension, in staff space):

0.6

Space to insert between words in texts.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::stencil-
height> #<procedure volta-bracket-interface::pure-height (grob
start end)>>
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

This object supports the following interface(s): **font-interface** (page 575), **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-bracket-interface** (page 585), **line-interface** (page 592), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), **text-interface** (page 629), **volta-bracket-interface** (page 637), and **volta-interface** (page 638).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.154 VoltaBracketSpanner

VoltaBracketSpanner objects are created by: **Volta_engraver** (page 351).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:side-position-interface::move-to-extremal-staff
```

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

axes (list):

```
'(1)
```

List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

direction (direction):

1

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

outside-staff-priority (number):

600

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

padding (dimension, in staff space):

1

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number):

1

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-
skyline-from-element-stencils> #<primitive-procedure
ly:grob::pure-vertical-skyline-from-element-stencils> >
```

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

X-extent (pair of numbers):

```
ly:axis-group-interface::width
```

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-extent (pair of numbers):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::height> #<primitive-procedure ly:axis-group-
interface::pure-height> >
```

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number):

```
#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:side-
position-interface::y-aligned-side> #<primitive-procedure
ly:side-position-interface::pure-y-aligned-side> >
```

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **axis-group-interface** (page 555), **grob-interface** (page 580), **outside-staff-interface** (page 604), **side-position-interface** (page 614), **spanner-interface** (page 620), and **volta-interface** (page 638).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.1.155 VowelTransition

VowelTransition objects are created by: **Hyphen_engraver** (page 322).

Standard settings:

after-line-breaking (boolean):

```
ly:spanner::kill-zero-spanned-time
```

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for **after-line-breaking**.

arrow-length (number):

```
0.5
```

Arrow length.

arrow-width (number):

```
0.5
```

Arrow width.

bound-details (list):

```
'((left (padding . 0.14) (attach-dir . 1))
(right-broken (padding . 0))
(left-broken (padding . 0))
(right (padding . 0.14)
(attach-dir . -1)
(arrow . #t)))
```

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

left-bound-info (list):
`ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-left-bound-info`
 An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space):
`1.0`
 Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

right-bound-info (list):
`ly:horizontal-line-spanner::calc-right-bound-info`
 An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

springs-and-rods (boolean):
`ly:vowel-transition::set-spacing-rods`
 Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil):
`ly:line-spanner::print`
 The symbol to print.

style (symbol):
`'line`
 This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines):
`#<unpure-pure-container #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::vertical-skylines-from-stencil> #<primitive-procedure ly:grob::pure-simple-vertical-skylines-from-extents> >`
 Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

Y-offset (number):
`0.5`
 The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

This object supports the following interface(s): **grob-interface** (page 580), **horizontal-line-spanner-interface** (page 586), **line-interface** (page 592), **line-spanner-interface** (page 593), **lyric-interface** (page 595), and **spanner-interface** (page 620).

This object is of class **Spanner** (characterized by **spanner-interface** (page 620)).

3.2 Graphical Object Interfaces

3.2.1 accidental-interface

A single accidental.

User settable properties:

alteration (number)
 Alteration numbers for accidental.

alteration-glyph-name-alist (list)
 An alist of key-string pairs.

avoid-slur (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

hide-tied-accidental-after-break (boolean)

If set, an accidental that appears on a tied note after a line break will not be displayed.

restore-first (boolean)

Print a natural before the accidental.

Internal properties:

forced (boolean)

Manually forced accidental.

tie (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Tie** object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **AmbitusAccidental** (page 375), and **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534).

3.2.2 accidental-placement-interface

Resolve accidental collisions.

User settable properties:

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

right-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).

script-priority (number)

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

Internal properties:

accidental-grobs (list)

An alist with (*notename* . *groblist*) entries.

positioning-done (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371).

3.2.3 accidental-suggestion-interface

An accidental, printed as a suggestion (typically: vertically over a note).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372).

3.2.4 accidental-switch-interface

Any object that prints one or several accidentals based on alterations.

User settable properties:

alteration-glyph-name-alist (list)
An alist of key-string pairs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **AmbitusAccidental** (page 375), **BalloonText** (page 378), **BassFigure** (page 385), **ChordName** (page 399), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **NoteName** (page 480), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **TextScript** (page 527), and **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534).

3.2.5 align-interface

Order grobs from top to bottom, left to right, right to left or bottom to top. For vertical alignments of staves, the **line-break-system-details** of the left Section “NonMusicalPaper-Column” in *Internals Reference* may be set to tune vertical spacing.

User settable properties:

align-dir (direction)
Which side to align? -1: left side, 0: around center of width, 1: right side.

axes (list) List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

padding (dimension, in staff space)
Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

stacking-dir (direction)
Stack objects in which direction?

Internal properties:

elements (array of grobs)
An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

minimum-translations-alist (list)
An list of translations for a given start and end point.

positioning-done (boolean)
Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), and **VerticalAlignment** (page 544).

3.2.6 ambitus-interface

The line between note heads for a pitch range.

User settable properties:

- gap** (dimension, in staff space)
Size of a gap in a variable symbol.
- length-fraction** (number)
Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.
- maximum-gap** (number)
Maximum value allowed for **gap** property.
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

- note-heads** (array of grobs)
An array of note head grobs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Ambitus** (page 373), **AmbitusLine** (page 375), and **AmbitusNoteHead** (page 376).

3.2.7 arpeggio-interface

Functions and settings for drawing an arpeggio symbol.

User settable properties:

- arpeggio-direction** (direction)
If set, put an arrow on the arpeggio squiggly line.
- dash-definition** (pair)
List of **dash-elements** defining the dash structure. Each **dash-element** has a starting t value, an ending t-value, a **dash-fraction**, and a **dash-period**.
- line-thickness** (number)
For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the two arcs of the curve's outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).
- positions** (pair of numbers)
Pair of staff coordinates (*start . end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.
- protrusion** (number)
In an arpeggio bracket, the length of the horizontal edges.
- script-priority** (number)
A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

stems (array of grobs)

An array of stem objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *Arpeggio* (page 377).

3.2.8 axis-group-interface

An object that groups other layout objects.

User settable properties:

axes (list) List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

default-staff-staff-spacing (list)

The settings to use for **staff-staff-spacing** when it is unset, for ungrouped staves and for grouped staves that do not have the relevant **StaffGrouper** property set (**staff-staff-spacing** or **staffgroup-staff-spacing**).

nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing (list)

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the next non-staff line in the direction of **staff-affinity**, if both are on the same side of the related staff, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing (list)

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the nearest staff in the direction of **staff-affinity**, if there are no non-staff lines between the two, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. If **staff-affinity** is CENTER, then **nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing** is used for the nearest staves on *both* sides, even if other non-staff lines appear between the current one and either of the staves. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

nonstaff-unrelatedstaff-spacing (list)

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the nearest staff in the opposite direction from **staff-affinity**, if there are no other non-staff lines between the two, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

staff-affinity (direction)

The direction of the staff to use for spacing the current non-staff line. Choices are UP, DOWN, and CENTER. If CENTER, the non-staff line will be placed equidistant between the two nearest staves on either side, unless collisions or other spacing constraints prevent this. Setting **staff-affinity** for a staff causes it to be treated as a non-staff line. Setting **staff-affinity** to #f causes a non-staff line to be treated as a staff.

staff-staff-spacing (list)

When applied to a staff-group's **StaffGrouper** grob, this spacing alist controls the distance between consecutive staves within the staff-group. When applied to a staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob, it controls the distance between the staff and the nearest staff below it in the same system, replacing any settings inherited from the **StaffGrouper** grob of the containing staff-group, if there is one. This property remains in effect even when non-staff lines appear between staves. The alist can contain the following keys:

- **basic-distance** – the vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items when no collisions would result, and no stretching or compressing is in effect.
- **minimum-distance** – the smallest allowable vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items, when compressing is in effect.
- **padding** – the minimum required amount of unobstructed vertical white-space between the bounding boxes (or skylines) of the two items, measured in staff-spaces.
- **stretchability** – a unitless measure of the dimension's relative propensity to stretch. If zero, the distance will not stretch (unless collisions would result).

Internal properties:**adjacent-pure-heights** (pair)

A pair of vectors. Used by a **VerticalAxisGroup** to cache the **Y-extents** of different column ranges.

bound-alignment-interfaces (list)

Interfaces to be used for positioning elements that align with a column.

elements (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

pure-relevant-grobs (array of grobs)

All the grobs (items and spanners) that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**

pure-relevant-items (array of grobs)

A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.

pure-relevant-spanners (array of grobs)

A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.

pure-Y-common (graphical (layout) object)

A cache of the **common_refpoint_of_array** of the **elements** grob set.

staff-grouper (graphical (layout) object)

The staff grouper we belong to.

system-Y-offset (number)

The Y-offset (relative to the bottom of the top-margin of the page) of the system to which this staff belongs.

X-common (graphical (layout) object)

Common reference point for axis group.

Y-common (graphical (layout) object)

See **X-common**.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Ambitus** (page 373), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **BreakAlignGroup** (page 393), **BreakAlignment** (page 394), **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398), **DotColumn** (page 418), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **NonMusicalPaperColumn** (page 476), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **PaperColumn** (page 483), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **System** (page 521), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), **VerticalAlignment** (page 544), **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), and **VoltaBracketSpanner** (page 549).

3.2.9 balloon-interface

A collection of routines to put text balloons around an object.

User settable properties:

- annotation-balloon** (boolean)
Print the balloon around an annotation.
- annotation-line** (boolean)
Print the line from an annotation to the grob that it annotates.
- padding** (dimension, in staff space)
Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.
- text** (markup)
Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.
- text-alignment-X** (number)
How to align an annotation horizontally.
- text-alignment-Y** (number)
How to align an annotation vertically.
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).
- X-attachment** (number)
Horizontal attachment of a line on a frame, typically between -1 (left) and 1 (right).
- Y-attachment** (number)
Vertical attachment of a line on a frame, typically between -1 (down) and 1 (up).

Internal properties:

- spanner-placement** (direction)
The place of an annotation on a spanner. **LEFT** is for the first spanner, and **RIGHT** is for the last. **CENTER** will place it on the broken spanner that falls closest to the center of the length of the entire spanner, although this behavior is unpredictable in situations with lots of rhythmic diversity. For predictable results, use **LEFT** and **RIGHT**.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BalloonText** (page 378), and **Footnote** (page 435).

3.2.10 bar-line-interface

Print a special bar symbol. It replaces the regular bar symbol with a special symbol. The argument *bartype* is a string which specifies the kind of bar line to print.

The list of allowed glyphs and predefined bar lines can be found in `scm/bar-line.scm`.

`gap` is used for the gaps in dashed bar lines.

User settable properties:

`allow-span-bar` (boolean)

If false, no inter-staff bar line will be created below this bar line.

`bar-extent` (pair of numbers)

The Y-extent of the actual bar line. This may differ from `Y-extent` because it does not include the dots in a repeat bar line.

`gap` (dimension, in staff space)

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

`glyph` (string)

A string determining what ‘style’ of glyph is typeset. Valid choices depend on the function that is reading this property.

In combination with (span) bar lines, it is a string resembling the bar line appearance in ASCII form.

`glyph-name` (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of `glyph`, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

`hair-thickness` (number)

Thickness of the thin line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`kern` (dimension, in staff space)

The space between individual elements in any compound bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`rounded` (boolean)

Decide whether lines should be drawn rounded or not.

`segno-kern` (number)

The space between the two thin lines of the segno bar line symbol, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`thick-thickness` (number)

Thickness of the thick line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

Internal properties:

`has-span-bar` (pair)

A pair of grobs containing the span bars to be drawn below and above the staff. If no span bar is in a position, the respective element is set to `#f`.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BarLine** (page 380), and **SpanBar** (page 505).

3.2.11 bar-number-interface

A bar number or bar number vertical support object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BarNumber** (page 383), **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), and **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398).

3.2.12 bass-figure-alignment-interface

Align a bass figure.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385).

3.2.13 bass-figure-interface

A bass figure text.

User settable properties:

implicit (boolean)

Is this an implicit bass figure?

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigure** (page 385).

3.2.14 beam-interface

A beam.

The **beam-thickness** property is the weight of beams, measured in staffspace. The **direction** property is not user-serviceable. Use the **direction** property of **Stem** instead. The following properties may be set in the **details** list.

stem-length-demerit-factor

Demerit factor used for inappropriate stem lengths.

secondary-beam-demerit

Demerit used in quanting calculations for multiple beams.

region-size

Size of region for checking quant scores.

beam-eps Epsilon for beam quant code to check for presence in gap.

stem-length-limit-penalty

Penalty for differences in stem lengths on a beam.

damping-direction-penalty

Demerit penalty applied when beam direction is different from damping direction.

hint-direction-penalty

Demerit penalty applied when beam direction is different from damping direction, but damping slope is \leq **round-to-zero-slope**.

musical-direction-factor

Demerit scaling factor for difference between beam slope and music slope.

ideal-slope-factor

Demerit scaling factor for difference between beam slope and damping slope.

round-to-zero-slope

Damping slope which is considered zero for purposes of calculating direction penalties.

User settable properties:

- auto-knee-gap** (dimension, in staff space)
If a gap is found between note heads where a horizontal beam fits and it is larger than this number, make a kneed beam.
- beam-thickness** (dimension, in staff space)
Beam thickness, measured in **staff-space** units.
- beamed-stem-shorten** (list)
How much to shorten beamed stems, when their direction is forced. It is a list, since the value is different depending on the number of flags and beams.
- beaming** (pair)
Pair of number lists. Each number list specifies which beams to make. 0 is the central beam, 1 is the next beam toward the note, etc. This information is used to determine how to connect the beaming patterns from stem to stem inside a beam.
- break-overshoot** (pair of numbers)
How much does a broken spanner stick out of its bounds?
- clip-edges** (boolean)
Allow outward pointing beamlets at the edges of beams?
- collision-interfaces** (list)
A list of interfaces for which automatic beam-collision resolution is run.
- collision-voice-only** (boolean)
Does automatic beam collision apply only to the voice in which the beam was created?
- concaveness** (number)
A beam is concave if its inner stems are closer to the beam than the two outside stems. This number is a measure of the closeness of the inner stems. It is used for damping the slope of the beam.
- damping** (number)
Amount of beam slope damping.
- details** (list)
Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.
- direction** (direction)
If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.
- gap** (dimension, in staff space)
Size of a gap in a variable symbol.
- gap-count** (integer)
Number of gapped beams for tremolo.
- grow-direction** (direction)
Crescendo or decrescendo?

- inspect-quants** (pair of numbers)
If debugging is set, set beam and slur position to a (quantized) position that is as close as possible to this value, and print the demerits for the inspected position in the output.
- knee** (boolean)
Is this beam kneed?
- length-fraction** (number)
Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.
- neutral-direction** (direction)
Which direction to take in the center of the staff.
- positions** (pair of numbers)
Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.
- skip-quanting** (boolean)
Should beam quanting be skipped?
- X-positions** (pair of numbers)
Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left* . *right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

Internal properties:

- annotation** (string)
Annotate a grob for debug purposes.
- beam-segments** (list)
Internal representation of beam segments.
- covered-grobs** (array of grobs)
Grobs that could potentially collide with a beam.
- least-squares-dy** (number)
The ideal beam slope, without damping.
- normal-stems** (array of grobs)
An array of visible stems.
- quantized-positions** (pair of numbers)
The beam positions after quanting.
- shorten** (dimension, in staff space)
The amount of space that a stem is shortened. Internally used to distribute beam shortening over stems.
- stems** (array of grobs)
An array of stem objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Beam** (page 388).

3.2.15 bend-after-interface

A doit or drop.

User settable properties:**thickness** (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:**delta-position** (number)

The vertical position difference.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *BendAfter* (page 390).

3.2.16 bend-interface

The (curved) line representing a bent string.

Available for the 'style property are 'hold, 'pre-bend and 'pre-bend-hold.

The following properties may be set in the details list.

arrow-stencil

The stencil procedure for the *BendSpanner* arrow head.

curvature-factor

Determines the horizontal part of a bend arrow as percentage of the total horizontal extent, usually between 0 and 1.

bend-arrowhead-height

The height of the arrow head.

bend-arrowhead-width

The width of the arrow head.

bend-amount-strings

An alist with entries for 'quarter, 'half, 'three-quarter and 'full, which are used to print how much a string is bent.

curve-x-padding-line-end

For a broken *BendSpanner*, set the padding at the line end to subsequent objects like changed *Clef*, etc.

curve-y-padding-line-end

For a broken *BendSpanner* started from a chord the curves don't match; there is a certain vertical gap specified by this value.

dashed-line-settings

List of three numeric values representing on, off and phase of a dashed line.

head-text-break-visibility

A vector of three booleans to set visibility of the arrow head and the text at a line break. This is important for 'style set to 'hold, 'pre-bend or 'pre-bend-hold.

horizontal-left-padding

The amount of horizontal free space between a *TabNoteHead* and the starting *BendSpanner*.

successive-level

An integer used as a factor determining the vertical coordinate of the starting *BendSpanner*. If *successive-level* is 1, the *BendSpanner* starts at the

TabNoteHead. If consecutive **BendSpanners** are set this value should be set to an appropriate value for the first one; later on, this value is maintained by the engraver.

target-visibility

A boolean to decide whether the target **TabNoteHead** should be visible. For up-pointing bends this is usually true.

y-distance-from-tabstaff-to-arrow-tip

This numeric value determines the distance between the **TabStaff** and the arrow head of the **BendSpanner**.

User settable properties:

bend-me (boolean)

Decide whether this grob is bent.

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BendSpanner** (page 391), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479), and **TabNoteHead** (page 525).

3.2.17 bezier-curve-interface

A Bézier curve (tie, slur, etc.)

User settable properties:

show-control-points (boolean)

For grobs printing Bézier curves, setting this property to true causes the control points and control polygon to be drawn on the page for ease of tweaking.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **Slur** (page 500), and **Tie** (page 530).

3.2.18 break-alignable-interface

Object that is aligned on a break alignment.

User settable properties:

break-align-symbols (list)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

non-break-align-symbols (list)

A list of symbols that determine which NON-break-aligned interfaces to align this to.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BarNumber** (page 383), **CodaMark** (page 405), **JumpScript** (page 447), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **SectionLabel** (page 496), and **SegnoMark** (page 498).

3.2.19 break-aligned-interface

Breakable items.

User settable properties:

break-align-anchor (number)

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-anchor-alignment (number)

Read by `ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor` for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

break-align-symbol (symbol)

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

space-alist (list)

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for *break-align-symbol* are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to *space-alist* are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The

space is stretchable when paired with `first-note` or `next-note`; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with `right-edge`.

`fixed-space`

Only compatible with `first-note` and `next-note`. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

`minimum-fixed-space`

Only compatible with `first-note` and `next-note`. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

`semi-fixed-space`

Only compatible with `first-note` and `next-note`. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `Ambitus` (page 373), `AmbitusAccidental` (page 375), `BarLine` (page 380), `BreakAlignGroup` (page 393), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `Clef` (page 400), `CueClef` (page 411), `CueEndClef` (page 414), `Custos` (page 416), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `KeyCancellation` (page 449), `KeySignature` (page 451), `LeftEdge` (page 457), `StaffEllipsis` (page 507), and `TimeSignature` (page 532).

3.2.20 break-alignment-interface

The object that performs break alignment.

Three interfaces deal specifically with break alignment:

1. `break-alignment-interface` (this one),
2. Section 3.2.18 [`break-alignable-interface`], page 563, and
3. Section 3.2.19 [`break-aligned-interface`], page 564.

Each of these interfaces supports grob properties that use *break-align symbols*, which are Scheme symbols that are used to specify the alignment, ordering, and spacing of certain notational elements (‘breakable’ items).

Available break-align symbols:

```
ambitus
breathing-sign
clef
cue-clef
cue-end-clef
custos
key-cancellation
key-signature
left-edge
staff-bar
time-signature
```

User settable properties:**break-align-orders** (vector)

This is a vector of 3 lists: `#{end-of-line unbroken start-of-line}`. Each list contains *break-align symbols* that specify an order of breakable items (see Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*).

For example, this places time signatures before clefs:

```
\override Score.BreakAlignment.break-align-orders =
  #(make-vector 3 '(left-edge
                    cue-end-clef
                    ambitus
                    breathing-sign
                    time-signature
                    clef
                    cue-clef
                    staff-bar
                    key-cancellation
                    key-signature
                    custos))
```

Internal properties:**positioning-done** (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BreakAlignment** (page 394).

3.2.21 breathing-sign-interface

A breathing sign.

User settable properties:**direction** (direction)

If *side-axis* is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BreathingSign** (page 395).

3.2.22 centered-bar-number-interface

A measure-centered bar number.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397).

3.2.23 centered-bar-number-line-spanner-interface

An abstract object used to align centered bar numbers on the same vertical position.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s):

CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner (page 398).

3.2.24 centered-text-interface

A spanner that interprets a markup centered between two columns.

User settable properties:

self-alignment-X (number)

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

spacing-pair (pair)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right **BreakAlignments**.

For example, a **MultiMeasureRest** will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), and **MeasureCounter** (page 464).

3.2.25 chord-name-interface

A chord label (name or fretboard).

Internal properties:

begin-of-line-visible (boolean)

Set to make **ChordName** or **FretBoard** be visible only at beginning of line or at chord changes.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ChordName** (page 399), and **FretBoard** (page 436).

3.2.26 clef-interface

A clef sign.

User settable properties:

full-size-change (boolean)

Don't make a change clef smaller.

glyph (string)

A string determining what 'style' of glyph is typeset. Valid choices depend on the function that is reading this property.

In combination with (span) bar lines, it is a string resembling the bar line appearance in ASCII form.

glyph-name (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of **glyph**, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

non-default (boolean)

Set for manually specified clefs and keys.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Clef** (page 400), **CueClef** (page 411), and **CueEndClef** (page 414).

3.2.27 clef-modifier-interface

The number describing transposition of the clef, placed below or above clef sign. Usually this is 8 (octave transposition) or 15 (two octaves), but LilyPond allows any integer here.

User settable properties:

clef-alignments (list)

An alist of parent-alignments that should be used for clef modifiers with various clefs

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ClefModifier** (page 403).

3.2.28 cluster-beacon-interface

A place holder for the cluster spanner to determine the vertical extents of a cluster spanner at this X position.

User settable properties:

positions (pair of numbers)

Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405).

3.2.29 cluster-interface

A graphically drawn musical cluster.

padding adds to the vertical extent of the shape (top and bottom).

The property **style** controls the shape of cluster segments. Valid values include **leftsided-stairs**, **rightsided-stairs**, **centered-stairs**, and **ramp**.

User settable properties:

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

Internal properties:

columns (array of grobs)

An array of grobs, typically containing **PaperColumn** or **NoteColumn** objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ClusterSpanner** (page 404).

3.2.30 coda-mark-interface

A coda sign.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **CodaMark** (page 405).

3.2.31 control-point-interface

A grob used to visualize one control point of a Bézier curve (such as a tie or a slur), for ease of tweaking.

Internal properties:

bezier (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a Bézier curve, for use by control points and polygons.

index (non-negative, exact integer)

For some grobs in a group, this is a number associated with the grob.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ControlPoint** (page 409).

3.2.32 control-polygon-interface

A grob used to visualize the control polygon of a Bézier curve (such as a tie or a slur), for ease of tweaking.

User settable properties:

extroversion (number)

For polygons, how the thickness of the line is spread on each side of the exact polygon with ideal zero thickness. If this is 0, the middle of line is on the polygon. If 1, the line sticks out of the polygon. If -1, the outer side of the line is exactly on the polygon. Other numeric values are interpolated.

filled (boolean)

Whether an object is filled with ink.

Internal properties:

bezier (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a Bézier curve, for use by control points and polygons.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **ControlPolygon** (page 410).

3.2.33 custos-interface

A custos object. **style** can have four valid values: **mensural**, **vaticana**, **medicaea**, and **hufnagel**. **mensural** is the default style.

User settable properties:

neutral-direction (direction)

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

neutral-position (number)

Position (in half staff spaces) where to flip the direction of custos stem.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Custos** (page 416).

3.2.34 dot-column-interface

Group dot objects so they form a column, and position dots so they do not clash with staff lines.

User settable properties:

- chord-dots-limit** (integer)
Limits the column of dots on each chord to the height of the chord plus **chord-dots-limit** staff-positions.
- direction** (direction)
If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

Internal properties:

- dots** (array of grobs)
Multiple **Dots** objects.
- note-collision** (graphical (layout) object)
The **NoteCollision** object of a dot column.
- positioning-done** (boolean)
Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DotColumn** (page 418).

3.2.35 dots-interface

The dots to go with a notehead or rest. **direction** sets the preferred direction to move in case of staff line collisions. **style** defaults to undefined, which is normal 19th/20th century traditional style. Set **style** to **vaticana** for ancient type dots.

User settable properties:

- direction** (direction)
If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.
- dot-count** (integer)
The number of dots.
- style** (symbol)
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Dots** (page 419).

3.2.36 duration-line-interface

A line lasting for the duration of a rhythmic event.

User settable properties:**details** (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DurationLine** (page 423).

3.2.37 dynamic-interface

Any kind of loudness sign.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), and **Hairpin** (page 441).

3.2.38 dynamic-line-spanner-interface

Dynamic line spanner.

User settable properties:**avoid-slur** (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425).

3.2.39 dynamic-text-interface

An absolute text dynamic.

User settable properties:**right-padding** (dimension, in staff space)

Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DynamicText** (page 426).

3.2.40 dynamic-text-spanner-interface

Dynamic text spanner.

User settable properties:**text** (markup)

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428).

3.2.41 enclosing-bracket-interface

Brackets alongside bass figures.

User settable properties:**bracket-flare** (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

dashed-edge (boolean)

If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:**elements** (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigureBracket** (page 387).

3.2.42 episema-interface

An episema line.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Episema** (page 429).

3.2.43 figured-bass-continuation-interface

Simple extender line between bounds.

User settable properties:**padding** (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

figures (array of grobs)

Figured bass objects for continuation line.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387).

3.2.44 finger-glide-interface

The line between **Fingering** grobs indicating a glide with that finger.

The property **style** may take the following symbols.

line A simple connecting line.

dashed-line

Print a dashed line. Customizable with settings for **dash-fraction** and **dash-period**.

dotted-line

Print a dotted line.

stub-right

The printed line is limited to a certain amount right before its right bound. This amount is configurable by a suitable setting for **bound-details.right.right-stub-length**.

stub-left

The printed line is limited to a certain amount right after its left bound. The amount is configurable by a suitable setting for **bound-details.right.left-stub-length**.

stub-both

The printed line combines the settings of **stub-left** and **stub-right**.

zigzag A zigzag line, configurable with suitable settings for **zigzag-width** and **zigzag-length**.

trill A trill style line.

bow A bow style line. The orientation of the bow may be tweaked with a suitable setting of **details.bow-direction**.

User settable properties:

dash-fraction (number)

Size of the dashes, relative to **dash-period**. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

dash-period (number)

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

zigzag-length (dimension, in staff space)

The length of the lines of a zigzag, relative to **zigzag-width**. A value of 1 gives 60-degree zigzags.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430).

3.2.45 finger-interface

A fingering instruction.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Fingering** (page 432).

3.2.46 fingering-column-interface

Makes sure that fingerings placed laterally do not collide and that they are flush if necessary.

User settable properties:

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

snap-radius (number)

The maximum distance between two objects that will cause them to snap to alignment along an axis.

Internal properties:

positioning-done (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **FingeringColumn** (page 434).

3.2.47 flag-interface

A flag that gets attached to a stem. The style property is symbol determining what style of flag glyph is typeset on a **Stem**. Valid options include '() for standard flags, 'mensural and 'no-flag, which switches off the flag.

User settable properties:

glyph-name (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of **glyph**, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

stroke-style (string)

Set to "grace" to turn stroke through flag on.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Flag** (page 434).

3.2.48 font-interface

Any symbol that is typeset through fixed sets of glyphs, (i.e., fonts).

User settable properties:

font-encoding (symbol)

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are `fetaMusic` (Emmentaler), `fetaBraces`, `fetaText` (Emmentaler).

font-family (symbol)

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: `sans`, `roman`.

font-features (list)

Opentype features.

font-name (string)

Specifies a file name (without extension) of the font to load. This setting overrides selection using `font-family`, `font-series` and `font-shape`.

font-series (symbol)

Select the series of a font. Choices include `medium`, `bold`, `bold-narrow`, etc.

font-shape (symbol)

Select the shape of a font. Choices include `upright`, `italic`, `caps`.

font-size (number)

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property `fontSize` is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

Internal properties:

font (font metric)

A cached font metric object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `Accidental` (page 369), `AccidentalCautionary` (page 370), `AccidentalSuggestion` (page 372), `AmbitusAccidental` (page 375), `AmbitusLine` (page 375), `AmbitusNoteHead` (page 376), `Arpeggio` (page 377), `BalloonText` (page 378), `BarLine` (page 380), `BarNumber` (page 383), `BassFigure` (page 385), `BendSpanner` (page 391), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `CenteredBarNumber` (page 397), `ChordName` (page 399), `Clef` (page 400), `ClefModifier` (page 403), `CodaMark` (page 405), `CombineTextScript` (page 407), `CueClef` (page 411), `CueEndClef` (page 414), `Custos` (page 416), `Dots` (page 419), `DoublePercentRepeat` (page 420), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DurationLine` (page 423), `DynamicText` (page 426), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `Episema` (page 429), `Fingering` (page 432), `Flag` (page 434), `Footnote` (page 435), `FretBoard` (page 436), `HorizontalBracketText` (page 444), `InstrumentName` (page 445), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `JumpScript` (page 447), `KeyCancellation` (page 449), `KeySignature` (page 451), `KievanLigature` (page 454), `LyricHyphen` (page 461), `LyricText` (page 462), `MeasureCounter` (page 464), `MeasureSpanner` (page 467), `MensuralLigature` (page 468), `MetronomeMark` (page 469), `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `NonMusicalPaperColumn` (page 476), `NoteHead` (page 479), `NoteName` (page 480), `OttavaBracket` (page 481), `PaperColumn` (page 483), `Parentheses` (page 484),

PercentRepeat (page 484), PercentRepeatCounter (page 485), RehearsalMark (page 489), Rest (page 493), Script (page 495), SectionLabel (page 496), SegnoMark (page 498), SostenuatoPedal (page 502), SpanBar (page 505), StaffEllipsis (page 507), StanzaNumber (page 511), StringNumber (page 515), StrokeFinger (page 517), SustainPedal (page 518), SystemStartBrace (page 522), SystemStartBracket (page 523), SystemStartSquare (page 524), TabNoteHead (page 525), TextScript (page 527), TextSpanner (page 529), TimeSignature (page 532), TrillPitchAccidental (page 534), TrillPitchHead (page 536), TrillPitchParentheses (page 537), TrillSpanner (page 538), TupletNumber (page 541), UnaCordaPedal (page 542), VaticanaLigature (page 544), and VoltaBracket (page 548).

3.2.49 footnote-interface

Make a footnote.

User settable properties:

- `automatically-numbered` (boolean)
If set, footnotes are automatically numbered.
- `footnote` (boolean)
Should this be a footnote or in-note?
- `footnote-text` (markup)
A footnote for the grob.

Internal properties:

- `numbering-assertion-function` (any type)
The function used to assert that footnotes are receiving correct automatic numbers.
- `spanner-placement` (direction)
The place of an annotation on a spanner. LEFT is for the first spanner, and RIGHT is for the last. CENTER will place it on the broken spanner that falls closest to the center of the length of the entire spanner, although this behavior is unpredictable in situations with lots of rhythmic diversity. For predictable results, use LEFT and RIGHT.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Footnote** (page 435).

3.2.50 fret-diagram-interface

A fret diagram

User settable properties:

- `align-dir` (direction)
Which side to align? -1: left side, 0: around center of width, 1: right side.
- `dot-placement-list` (list)
List consisting of (*description string-number fret-number finger-number*) entries used to define fret diagrams.
- `fret-diagram-details` (list)
An alist of detailed grob properties for fret diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (*property . value*) pair. The properties which can be included in `fret-diagram-details` include the following:
 - `barre-type` – Type of barre indication used. Choices include `curved`, `straight`, and `none`. Default `curved`.

- **capo-thickness** – Thickness of capo indicator, in multiples of fret-space. Default value 0.5.
- **dot-color** – Color of dots. Options include **black** and **white**. Default **black**.
- **dot-label-font-mag** – Magnification for font used to label fret dots. Default value 1.
- **dot-position** – Location of dot in fret space. Default 0.6 for dots without labels, 0.95-dot-radius for dots with labels.
- **dot-radius** – Radius of dots, in terms of fret spaces. Default value 0.425 for labeled dots, 0.25 for unlabeled dots.
- **finger-code** – Code for the type of fingering indication used. Options include **none**, **in-dot**, and **below-string**. Default **none** for markup fret diagrams, **below-string** for FretBoards fret diagrams.
- **fret-count** – The number of frets. Default 4.
- **fret-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between frets. Default 1.0.
- **fret-label-custom-format** – The format string to be used label the lowest fret number, when **number-type** equals to **custom**. Default **"~a"**.
- **fret-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label the lowest fret number. Default 0.5.
- **fret-label-vertical-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction parallel to strings. Default 0.
- **fret-label-horizontal-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction orthogonal to strings. Default 0.
- **handedness** – Print the fret-diagram left- or right-handed. -1, **LEFT** for left ; 1, **RIGHT** for right. Default **RIGHT**.
- **paren-padding** – The padding for the parenthesis. Default 0.05.
- **label-dir** – Side to which the fret label is attached. -1, **LEFT**, or **DOWN** for left or down; 1, **RIGHT**, or **UP** for right or up. Default **RIGHT**.
- **mute-string** – Character string to be used to indicate muted string. Default **"x"**.
- **number-type** – Type of numbers to use in fret label. Choices include **roman-lower**, **roman-upper**, **arabic** and **custom**. In the later case, the format string is supplied by the **fret-label-custom-format** property. Default **roman-lower**.
- **open-string** – Character string to be used to indicate open string. Default **"o"**.
- **orientation** – Orientation of fret-diagram. Options include **normal**, **landscape**, and **opposing-landscape**. Default **normal**.
- **string-count** – The number of strings. Default 6.
- **string-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between strings. Default 1.0.
- **string-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label fingerings at the string, rather than in the dot. Default value 0.6 for normal orientation, 0.5 for **landscape** and **opposing-landscape**.
- **string-thickness-factor** – Factor for changing thickness of each string in the fret diagram. Thickness of string k is given by **thickness** * $(1 + \text{string-thickness-factor}) ^ (k-1)$. Default 0.

- **top-fret-thickness** – The thickness of the top fret line, as a multiple of the standard thickness. Default value 3.
- **xo-font-magnification** – Magnification used for mute and open string indicators. Default value 0.5.
- **xo-padding** – Padding for open and mute indicators from top fret. Default value 0.25.

size (number)

The ratio of the size of the object to its default size.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **FretBoard** (page 436).

3.2.51 glissando-interface

A glissando.

Internal properties:

glissando-index (integer)

The index of a glissando in its note column.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Glissando** (page 438).

3.2.52 grace-spacing-interface

Keep track of durations in a run of grace notes.

User settable properties:

common-shortest-duration (moment)

The most common shortest note length. This is used in spacing. Enlarging this sets the score tighter.

Internal properties:

columns (array of grobs)

An array of grobs, typically containing **PaperColumn** or **NoteColumn** objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **GraceSpacing** (page 440).

3.2.53 gregorian-ligature-interface

A gregorian ligature.

Internal properties:

ascendens (boolean)

Is this neume of ascending type?

auctum (boolean)

Is this neume liquescentically augmented?

cavum (boolean)

Is this neume outlined?

context-info (integer)

Within a ligature, the final glyph or shape of a head may be affected by the left and/or right neighbour head. **context-info** holds for each head such information about the left and right neighbour, encoded as a bit mask.

deminutum (boolean)

Is this neume deminished?

descendens (boolean)

Is this neume of descendent type?

inclinatum (boolean)

Is this neume an inclinatum?

linea (boolean)

Attach vertical lines to this neume?

oriscus (boolean)

Is this neume an oriscus?

pes-or-flexa (boolean)

Shall this neume be joined with the previous head?

prefix-set (number)

A bit mask that holds all Gregorian head prefixes, such as `\virga` or `\quilisma`.

quilisma (boolean)

Is this neume a quilisma?

strophæ (boolean)

Is this neume a strophæ?

virga (boolean)

Is this neume a virga?

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

3.2.54 grid-line-interface

A line that is spanned between grid-points.

User settable properties:

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

Internal properties:

elements (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **GridLine** (page 440).

3.2.55 grid-point-interface

A spanning point for grid lines.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **GridPoint** (page 441).

3.2.56 grob-interface

A grob represents a piece of music notation.

All grobs have an X and Y position on the page. These X and Y positions are stored in a relative format, thus they can easily be combined by stacking them, hanging one grob to the side of another, or coupling them into grouping objects.

Each grob has a reference point (a.k.a. parent): The position of a grob is stored relative to that reference point. For example, the X reference point of a staccato dot usually is the note head that it applies to. When the note head is moved, the staccato dot moves along automatically.

A grob is often associated with a symbol, but some grobs do not print any symbols. They take care of grouping objects. For example, there is a separate grob that stacks staves vertically. The Section 3.1.88 [NoteCollision], page 477, object is also an abstract grob: It only moves around chords, but doesn't print anything.

Grobs have properties (Scheme variables) that can be read and set. Two types of them exist: immutable and mutable. Immutable variables define the default style and behavior. They are shared between many objects. They can be changed using `\override` and `\revert`. Mutable properties are variables that are specific to one grob. Typically, lists of other objects, or results from computations are stored in mutable properties. In particular, every call to `ly:grob-set-property!` (or its C++ equivalent) sets a mutable property.

The properties `after-line-breaking` and `before-line-breaking` are dummies that are not user-serviceable.

User settable properties:

`after-line-breaking` (boolean)

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for `after-line-breaking`.

`avoid-slur` (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

`before-line-breaking` (boolean)

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

`color` (color)

The color of this grob.

`extra-offset` (pair of numbers)

A pair representing an offset. This offset is added just before outputting the symbol, so the typesetting engine is completely oblivious to it. The values are measured in `staff-space` units of the staff's `StaffSymbol`.

`footnote-music` (music)

Music creating a footnote.

`forced-spacing` (number)

Spacing forced between grobs, used in various ligature engravers.

`horizontal-skylines` (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

- id** (string)
An id string for the grob.
- layer** (integer)
An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.
- minimum-X-extent** (pair of numbers)
Minimum size of an object in X dimension, measured in **staff-space** units.
- minimum-Y-extent** (pair of numbers)
Minimum size of an object in Y dimension, measured in **staff-space** units.
- output-attributes** (list)
An alist of attributes for the grob, to be included in output files. When the SVG typesetting backend is used, the attributes are assigned to a group (<g>) containing all of the stencils that comprise a given grob. For example,

```
'((id . 123) (class . foo) (data-whatever . "bar"))
```

produces

```
<g id="123" class="foo" data-whatever="bar"> ... </g>
```

In the Postscript backend, where there is no way to group items, the setting of the **output-attributes** property has no effect.
- parenthesis-friends** (list)
A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has 'parenthesis-friends, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among 'parenthesis-friends.
- parenthesis-id** (symbol)
When parenthesized grobs created in the same time step have this property, there is one set of parentheses for each group of grobs having the same value.
- parenthesized** (boolean)
Parenthesize this grob.
- rotation** (list)
Number of degrees to rotate this object, and what point to rotate around. For example, '(45 0 0) rotates by 45 degrees around the center of this object.
- show-horizontal-skylines** (boolean)
If true, print this grob's horizontal skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.
- show-vertical-skylines** (boolean)
If true, print this grob's vertical skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.
- skyline-horizontal-padding** (number)
For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.
- springs-and-rods** (boolean)
Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stencil (stencil)

The symbol to print.

transparent (boolean)

This makes the grob invisible.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

whiteout (boolean-or-number)

If a number or true, the grob is printed over a white background to white-out underlying material, if the grob is visible. A number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box of the grob as a multiple of the staff-line thickness. The **LyricHyphen** grob uses a special implementation of whiteout: A positive number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box in multiples of **line-thickness**. The shape of the background is determined by **whiteout-style**. Usually **#f** by default.

whiteout-style (symbol)

Determines the shape of the **whiteout** background. Available are 'outline, 'rounded-box, and the default 'box. There is one exception: Use 'special for **LyricHyphen**.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number)

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number)

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

Internal properties:

axis-group-parent-X (graphical (layout) object)

Containing X axis group.

axis-group-parent-Y (graphical (layout) object)

Containing Y axis group.

cause (any type)

Any kind of causation objects (i.e., music, or perhaps translator) that was the cause for this grob.

cross-staff (boolean)

True for grobs whose **Y-extent** depends on inter-staff spacing. The extent is measured relative to the grobs's parent staff (more generally, its **VerticalAxisGroup**) so this boolean flags grobs that are not rigidly fixed to their parent staff. Beams that join notes from two staves are **cross-staff**. Grobs that are positioned around such beams are also **cross-staff**. Grobs that are grouping objects, however, like **VerticalAxisGroups** will not in general be marked **cross-staff** when some of the members of the group are **cross-staff**.

interfaces (list)

A list of symbols indicating the interfaces supported by this object. It is initialized from the **meta** field.

meta (list) Provide meta information. It is an alist with the entries **name** and **interfaces**.

pure-Y-offset-in-progress (boolean)

A debugging aid for catching cyclic dependencies.

staff-symbol (graphical (layout) object)

The staff symbol grob that we are in.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Accidental** (page 369), **AccidentalCautionary** (page 370), **AccidentalPlacement** (page 371), **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **Ambitus** (page 373), **AmbitusAccidental** (page 375), **AmbitusLine** (page 375), **AmbitusNoteHead** (page 376), **Arpeggio** (page 377), **BalloonText** (page 378), **BarLine** (page 380), **BarNumber** (page 383), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureBracket** (page 387), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BendSpanner** (page 391), **BreakAlignGroup** (page 393), **BreakAlignment** (page 394), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398), **ChordName** (page 399), **Clef** (page 400), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **ClusterSpannerBeacon** (page 405), **CodaMark** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **ControlPoint** (page 409), **ControlPolygon** (page 410), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **Custos** (page 416), **DotColumn** (page 418), **Dots** (page 419), **DoublePercentRepeat** (page 420), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DoubleRepeatSlash** (page 422), **DurationLine** (page 423), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Episema** (page 429), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Fingering** (page 432), **FingeringColumn** (page 434), **Flag** (page 434), **Footnote** (page 435), **FretBoard** (page 436), **Glissando** (page 438), **GraceSpacing** (page 440), **GridLine** (page 440), **GridPoint** (page 441), **Hairpin** (page 441), **HorizontalBracket** (page 443), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **JumpScript** (page 447), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **KievanLigature** (page 454), **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **LaissezVibrerTieColumn** (page 456), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **LeftEdge** (page 457), **LigatureBracket** (page 459), **LyricExtender** (page 460), **LyricHyphen** (page 461), **LyricSpace** (page 462), **LyricText** (page 462), **MeasureCounter** (page 464), **MeasureGrouping** (page 466), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **MelodyItem** (page 468), **MensuralLigature** (page 468), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NonMusicalPaperColumn** (page 476), **NoteCollision** (page 477), **NoteColumn** (page 478), **NoteHead** (page 479), **NoteName** (page 480), **NoteSpacing** (page 481), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PaperColumn** (page 483), **Parentheses** (page 484), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **RepeatSlash** (page 491), **RepeatTie** (page 492), **RepeatTieColumn** (page 493), **Rest** (page 493), **RestCollision** (page 494), **Script** (page 495), **ScriptColumn** (page 496), **ScriptRow** (page 496), **SectionLabel** (page 496), **SegnoMark** (page 498), **Slur** (page 500), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **SpacingSpanner** (page 504), **SpanBar** (page 505), **SpanBarStub** (page 506), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StaffGrouper** (page 509), **StaffSpacing** (page 510), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **StanzaNumber** (page 511), **Stem** (page 512), **StemStub** (page 514), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner**

(page 519), `System` (page 521), `SystemStartBar` (page 522), `SystemStartBrace` (page 522), `SystemStartBracket` (page 523), `SystemStartSquare` (page 524), `TabNoteHead` (page 525), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `Tie` (page 530), `TieColumn` (page 532), `TimeSignature` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillPitchParentheses` (page 537), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), `TupletNumber` (page 541), `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), `VaticanaLigature` (page 544), `VerticalAlignment` (page 544), `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545), `VoiceFollower` (page 547), `VoltaBracket` (page 548), `VoltaBracketSpanner` (page 549), and `VowelTransition` (page 550).

3.2.57 hairpin-interface

A hairpin crescendo or decrescendo.

User settable properties:

- `bound-padding` (number)
The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.
- `broken-bound-padding` (number)
The amount of padding to insert when a spanner is broken at a line break.
- `circled-tip` (boolean)
Put a circle at start/end of hairpins (al/del niente).
- `endpoint-alignments` (pair of numbers)
A pair of numbers representing the alignments of an object's endpoints. E.g., the ends of a hairpin relative to `NoteColumn` grobs.
- `grow-direction` (direction)
Crescendo or decrescendo?
- `height` (dimension, in staff space)
Height of an object in `staff-space` units.
- `shorten-pair` (pair of numbers)
The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

Internal properties:

- `adjacent-spanners` (array of grobs)
An array of directly neighboring dynamic spanners.
- `concurrent-hairpins` (array of grobs)
All concurrent hairpins.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `Hairpin` (page 441).

3.2.58 hara-kiri-group-spanner-interface

A group spanner that keeps track of interesting items. If it doesn't contain any after line breaking, it removes itself and all its children. Greater control can be exercised via `remove-layer` which can prioritize layers so only the lowest-numbered non-empty layer is retained; make the layer independent of the group; or make it dependent on any other member of the group

User settable properties:

- `remove-empty` (boolean)
If set, remove group if it contains no interesting items.
- `remove-first` (boolean)
Remove the first staff of an orchestral score?
- `remove-layer` (index or symbol)
When set as a positive integer, the `Keep_alive_together_engraver` removes all `VerticalAxisGroup` grobs with a `remove-layer` larger than the smallest retained `remove-layer`. Set to `#f` to make a layer independent of the `Keep_alive_together_engraver`. Set to `'()`, the layer does not participate in the layering decisions. The property can also be set as a symbol for common behaviors: `#'any` to keep the layer alive with any other layer in the group; `#'above` or `#'below` to keep the layer alive with the context immediately before or after it, respectively.

Internal properties:

- `important-column-ranks` (vector)
A cache of columns that contain `items-worth-living` data.
- `items-worth-living` (array of grobs)
An array of interesting items. If empty in a particular staff, then that staff is erased.
- `keep-alive-with` (array of grobs)
An array of other `VerticalAxisGroups`. If any of them are alive, then we will stay alive.
- `make-dead-when` (array of grobs)
An array of other `VerticalAxisGroups`. If any of them are alive, then we will turn dead.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

3.2.59 horizontal-bracket-interface

A horizontal bracket encompassing notes.

User settable properties:

- `bracket-flare` (pair of numbers)
A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.
- `connect-to-neighbor` (pair)
Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.
- `dashed-edge` (boolean)
If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.
- `edge-height` (pair)
A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).
- `shorten-pair` (pair of numbers)
The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

Internal properties:

bracket-text (graphical (layout) object)
The text for an analysis bracket.

columns (array of grobs)
An array of grobs, typically containing `PaperColumn` or `NoteColumn` objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `HorizontalBracket` (page 443), `OttavaBracket` (page 481), and `VoltaBracket` (page 548).

3.2.60 horizontal-bracket-text-interface

Label for an analysis bracket.

Internal properties:

bracket (graphical (layout) object)
The bracket for a number.

columns (array of grobs)
An array of grobs, typically containing `PaperColumn` or `NoteColumn` objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `HorizontalBracketText` (page 444).

3.2.61 horizontal-line-spanner-interface

This interface is a subset of the Section 3.2.75 [`line-spanner-interface`], page 593, for use with line spanners that are always horizontal (such as crescendo spanners). The `details.Y` subproperty is irrelevant. Grobs having this interface can be side-positioned vertically.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `DurationLine` (page 423), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `Episema` (page 429), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), and `VowelTransition` (page 550).

3.2.62 inline-accidental-interface

An inlined accidental (i.e. normal accidentals, cautionary accidentals).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `Accidental` (page 369), `AccidentalCautionary` (page 370), and `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534).

3.2.63 instrument-specific-markup-interface

Instrument-specific markup (like fret boards or harp pedal diagrams).

User settable properties:

fret-diagram-details (list)
An alist of detailed grob properties for fret diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (*property* . *value*) pair. The properties which can be included in `fret-diagram-details` include the following:

- **barre-type** – Type of barre indication used. Choices include `curved`, `straight`, and `none`. Default `curved`.
- **capo-thickness** – Thickness of capo indicator, in multiples of fret-space. Default value 0.5.
- **dot-color** – Color of dots. Options include `black` and `white`. Default `black`.

- **dot-label-font-mag** – Magnification for font used to label fret dots. Default value 1.
- **dot-position** – Location of dot in fret space. Default 0.6 for dots without labels, 0.95-dot-radius for dots with labels.
- **dot-radius** – Radius of dots, in terms of fret spaces. Default value 0.425 for labeled dots, 0.25 for unlabeled dots.
- **finger-code** – Code for the type of fingering indication used. Options include `none`, `in-dot`, and `below-string`. Default `none` for markup fret diagrams, `below-string` for FretBoards fret diagrams.
- **fret-count** – The number of frets. Default 4.
- **fret-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between frets. Default 1.0.
- **fret-label-custom-format** – The format string to be used label the lowest fret number, when **number-type** equals to `custom`. Default `"~a"`.
- **fret-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label the lowest fret number. Default 0.5.
- **fret-label-vertical-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction parallel to strings. Default 0.
- **fret-label-horizontal-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction orthogonal to strings. Default 0.
- **handedness** – Print the fret-diagram left- or right-handed. `-1`, `LEFT` for left ; `1`, `RIGHT` for right. Default `RIGHT`.
- **paren-padding** – The padding for the parenthesis. Default 0.05.
- **label-dir** – Side to which the fret label is attached. `-1`, `LEFT`, or `DOWN` for left or down; `1`, `RIGHT`, or `UP` for right or up. Default `RIGHT`.
- **mute-string** – Character string to be used to indicate muted string. Default `"x"`.
- **number-type** – Type of numbers to use in fret label. Choices include `roman-lower`, `roman-upper`, `arabic` and `custom`. In the later case, the format string is supplied by the **fret-label-custom-format** property. Default `roman-lower`.
- **open-string** – Character string to be used to indicate open string. Default `"o"`.
- **orientation** – Orientation of fret-diagram. Options include `normal`, `landscape`, and `opposing-landscape`. Default `normal`.
- **string-count** – The number of strings. Default 6.
- **string-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between strings. Default 1.0.
- **string-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label fingerings at the string, rather than in the dot. Default value 0.6 for `normal` orientation, 0.5 for `landscape` and `opposing-landscape`.
- **string-thickness-factor** – Factor for changing thickness of each string in the fret diagram. Thickness of string k is given by $\text{thickness} * (1 + \text{string-thickness-factor})^{(k-1)}$. Default 0.
- **top-fret-thickness** – The thickness of the top fret line, as a multiple of the standard thickness. Default value 3.
- **xo-font-magnification** – Magnification used for mute and open string indicators. Default value 0.5.

- **xo-padding** – Padding for open and mute indicators from top fret. Default value 0.25.

graphical (boolean)

Display in graphical (vs. text) form.

harp-pedal-details (list)

An alist of detailed grob properties for harp pedal diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (**property** . **value**) pair. The properties which can be included in harp-pedal-details include the following:

- **box-offset** – Vertical shift of the center of flat/sharp pedal boxes above/below the horizontal line. Default value 0.8.
- **box-width** – Width of each pedal box. Default value 0.4.
- **box-height** – Height of each pedal box. Default value 1.0.
- **space-before-divider** – Space between boxes before the first divider (so that the diagram can be made symmetric). Default value 0.8.
- **space-after-divider** – Space between boxes after the first divider. Default value 0.8.
- **circle-thickness** – Thickness (in unit of the line-thickness) of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.5.
- **circle-x-padding** – Padding in X direction of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.15.
- **circle-y-padding** – Padding in Y direction of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.2.

size (number)

The ratio of the size of the object to its default size.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *TextScript* (page 527).

3.2.64 item-interface

Grobs can be distinguished in their role in the horizontal spacing. Many grobs define constraints on the spacing by their sizes, for example, note heads, clefs, stems, and all other symbols with a fixed shape. These grobs form a subtype called *Item*.

Some items need special treatment for line breaking. For example, a clef is normally only printed at the start of a line (i.e., after a line break). To model this, 'breakable' items (clef, key signature, bar lines, etc.) are copied twice. Then we have three versions of each breakable item: one version if there is no line break, one version that is printed before the line break (at the end of a system), and one version that is printed after the line break.

Whether these versions are visible and take up space is determined by the outcome of the *break-visibility* grob property, which is a function taking a direction (-1, 0 or 1) as an argument. It returns a cons of booleans, signifying whether this grob should be transparent and have no extent.

The following variables for *break-visibility* are predefined:

grob will show: before no after

	break	break	break
all-invisible	no	no	no
begin-of-line-visible	no	no	yes
end-of-line-visible	yes	no	no
all-visible	yes	yes	yes
begin-of-line-invisible	yes	yes	no
end-of-line-invisible	no	yes	yes
center-invisible	yes	no	yes

User settable properties:

break-visibility (vector)

A vector of 3 booleans, *#(end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line)*. *#t* means visible, *#f* means killed.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ to the bottom of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to *(-inf.0 . +inf.0)*.

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the ‘car’ on the left side of the item and adding the ‘cdr’ on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to *(+inf.0 . -inf.0)*.

non-musical (boolean)

True if the grob belongs to a *NonMusicalPaperColumn*.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *Accidental* (page 369), *AccidentalCautionary* (page 370), *AccidentalPlacement* (page 371), *AccidentalSuggestion* (page 372), *Ambitus* (page 373), *AmbitusAccidental* (page 375), *AmbitusLine* (page 375), *AmbitusNoteHead* (page 376), *Arpeggio* (page 377), *BarLine* (page 380), *BarNumber* (page 383), *BassFigure* (page 385), *BassFigureBracket* (page 387), *BreakAlignGroup* (page 393), *BreakAlignment* (page 394), *BreathingSign* (page 395), *ChordName* (page 399), *Clef* (page 400), *ClefModifier* (page 403), *ClusterSpannerBeacon* (page 405), *CodaMark* (page 405), *CombineTextScript* (page 407), *CueClef* (page 411), *CueEndClef* (page 414), *Custos* (page 416), *DotColumn* (page 418), *Dots* (page 419), *DoublePercentRepeat* (page 420), *DoublePercentRepeatCounter* (page 421), *DoubleRepeatSlash* (page 422), *DynamicText* (page 426), *Fingering* (page 432), *FingeringColumn* (page 434), *Flag* (page 434), *FretBoard* (page 436), *GridLine* (page 440), *GridPoint* (page 441), *InstrumentSwitch* (page 446), *JumpScript* (page 447), *KeyCancellation* (page 449), *KeySignature* (page 451), *LaissezVibrerTie* (page 455), *LaissezVibrerTieColumn* (page 456), *LeftEdge* (page 457), *LyricText* (page 462), *MelodyItem* (page 468), *MetronomeMark* (page 469), *NonMusicalPaperColumn* (page 476), *NoteCollision* (page 477), *NoteColumn* (page 478), *NoteHead* (page 479), *NoteName* (page 480), *NoteSpacing* (page 481), *PaperColumn* (page 483), *RehearsalMark* (page 489), *RepeatSlash* (page 491), *RepeatTie* (page 492), *RepeatTieColumn* (page 493), *Rest* (page 493), *RestCollision* (page 494), *Script* (page 495), *ScriptColumn* (page 496), *ScriptRow* (page 496), *SectionLabel* (page 496), *SegnoMark* (page 498), *SostenutoPedal* (page 502), *SpanBar* (page 505), *SpanBarStub* (page 506), *StaffEllipsis* (page 507), *StaffSpacing* (page 510), *StanzaNumber* (page 511), *Stem* (page 512), *StemStub* (page 514), *StemTremolo* (page 514), *StringNumber* (page 515), *StrokeFinger* (page 517), *SustainPedal*

(page 518), `TabNoteHead` (page 525), `TextScript` (page 527), `TimeSignature` (page 532), `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534), `TrillPitchGroup` (page 535), `TrillPitchHead` (page 536), `TrillPitchParentheses` (page 537), and `UnaCordaPedal` (page 542).

In addition, this interface is supported conditionally by the following objects depending on their class: `BalloonText` (page 378), `ControlPoint` (page 409), `ControlPolygon` (page 410), `Footnote` (page 435), and `Parentheses` (page 484).

3.2.65 jump-script-interface

A jump instruction, e.g. D.S.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `JumpScript` (page 447).

3.2.66 key-cancellation-interface

A key cancellation.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `KeyCancellation` (page 449).

3.2.67 key-signature-interface

A group of accidentals, to be printed as signature sign.

User settable properties:

`alteration-alist` (list)

List of (*pitch* . *accidental*) pairs for key signature.

`alteration-glyph-name-alist` (list)

An alist of key-string pairs.

`flat-positions` (list)

Flats in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

`non-default` (boolean)

Set for manually specified clefs and keys.

`padding` (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

`padding-pairs` (list)

An alist of padding pairs for key signatures (and key cancellations). Each alist entry has the form

((*left-glyph-name* . *right-glyph-name*) . *dist*)

specifying the padding *dist* between two adjacent key signature elements. If there is no entry in the alist for a given pair, the padding value given by the `padding` property of the `KeySignature` (or `KeyCancellation`) grob is used instead.

A special feature is the handling of adjacent naturals (to be more precise, the handling of glyph `accidentals.natural`): If there is no ‘natural-natural’ entry in `padding-pairs` explicitly overriding it, LilyPond adds some extra padding (in addition to the grob’s `padding` value) to avoid collisions.

sharp-positions (list)

Sharps in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

Internal properties:

c0-position (integer)

An integer indicating the position of middle C.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **KeyCancellation** (page 449), and **KeySignature** (page 451).

3.2.68 kievian-ligature-interface

A kievian ligature.

User settable properties:

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

Internal properties:

primitive (integer)

A pointer to a ligature primitive, i.e., an item similar to a note head that is part of a ligature.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **KievianLigature** (page 454).

3.2.69 ledger-line-spanner-interface

This spanner draws the ledger lines of a staff. This is a separate grob because it has to process all potential collisions between all note heads. The thickness of ledger lines is controlled by the **ledger-line-thickness** property of the Section 3.1.120 [**StaffSymbol**], page 510, grob.

User settable properties:

gap (dimension, in staff space)

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

length-fraction (number)

Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.

minimum-length-fraction (number)

Minimum length of ledger line as fraction of note head size.

Internal properties:

note-heads (array of grobs)

An array of note head grobs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456).

3.2.70 ledgered-interface

Objects that need ledger lines, typically note heads. See also Section 3.2.69 [ledger-line-spanner-interface], page 591.

User settable properties:

no-ledgers (boolean)

If set, don't draw ledger lines on this object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AmbitusNoteHead** (page 376), **NoteHead** (page 479), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

3.2.71 ligature-bracket-interface

A bracket indicating a ligature in the original edition.

User settable properties:

height (dimension, in staff space)

Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of a grob measured in staff space.

This grob interface is not used in any graphical object.

3.2.72 ligature-head-interface

A note head that can become part of a ligature.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteHead** (page 479).

3.2.73 ligature-interface

A ligature.

This grob interface is not used in any graphical object.

3.2.74 line-interface

Generic line objects. Any object using lines supports this. The property **style** can be **line**, **dashed-line**, **trill**, **dotted-line**, **zigzag** or **none** (a transparent line).

For **dashed-line**, the length of the dashes is tuned with **dash-fraction**. If the latter is set to 0, a dotted line is produced.

User settable properties:

arrow-length (number)

Arrow length.

arrow-width (number)

Arrow width.

dash-fraction (number)

Size of the dashes, relative to **dash-period**. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

dash-period (number)

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

zigzag-length (dimension, in staff space)

The length of the lines of a zigzag, relative to **zigzag-width**. A value of 1 gives 60-degree zigzags.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *DurationLine* (page 423), *DynamicTextSpanner* (page 428), *Episema* (page 429), *Glissando* (page 438), *Hairpin* (page 441), *HorizontalBracket* (page 443), *LigatureBracket* (page 459), *MeasureSpanner* (page 467), *OttavaBracket* (page 481), *PianoPedalBracket* (page 488), *TextSpanner* (page 529), *TrillSpanner* (page 538), *TupletBracket* (page 539), *VoiceFollower* (page 547), *VoltaBracket* (page 548), and *VowelTransition* (page 550).

3.2.75 line-spanner-interface

Generic line drawn between two objects, e.g., for use with glissandi.

bound-details is a nested alist. It's possible to specify settings for the sub-properties: **left**, **left-broken**, **right** and **right-broken**.

Values for the following keys may be set:

Y Sets the Y coordinate of the end point, in staff-spaces offset from the staff center line. By default, it is the center of the bound object, so a glissando points to the vertical center of the note head. Not relevant for grobs having the Section 3.2.61 [horizontal-line-spanner-interface], page 586.

attach-dir

Determines where the line starts and ends in the X direction, relative to the bound object. So, a value of -1 (or **LEFT**) makes the line start/end at the left side of the note head it is attached to.

X This is the absolute X coordinate of the end point. Usually computed on the fly.

stencil Line spanners may have symbols at the beginning or end, which is contained in this sub-property. For internal use.

text This is a markup that is evaluated to yield the stencil.

stencil-align-dir-y

stencil-offset

Without setting one of these, the stencil is simply put at the end-point, centered on the line, as defined by the **X** and **Y** sub-properties. Setting **stencil-align-dir-y**

moves the symbol at the edge vertically relative to the end point of the line. With `stencil-offset`, expecting a number pair, the stencil is moved along the X axis according to the first value, the second value moves the stencil along the Y axis.

- arrow** Produces an arrowhead at the end-points of the line.
- padding** Controls the space between the specified end point of the line and the actual end. Without padding, a glissando would start and end in the center of each note head.

User settable properties:

- bound-details** (list)
An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.
- extra-dy** (number)
Slope glissandi this much extra.
- gap** (dimension, in staff space)
Size of a gap in a variable symbol.
- left-bound-info** (list)
An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.
- right-bound-info** (list)
An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).
- to-barline** (boolean)
If true, the spanner will stop at the bar line just before it would otherwise stop.

Internal properties:

- note-columns** (array of grobs)
An array of `NoteColumn` grobs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `BendSpanner` (page 391), `DurationLine` (page 423), `DynamicTextSpanner` (page 428), `Episema` (page 429), `FingerGlideSpanner` (page 430), `Glissando` (page 438), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `VoiceFollower` (page 547), and `VowelTransition` (page 550).

3.2.76 lyric-extender-interface

The extender is a simple line at the baseline of the lyric that helps show the length of a melisma (a tied or slurred note).

User settable properties:

- left-padding** (dimension, in staff space)
The amount of space that is put left to an object (e.g., a lyric extender).
- next** (graphical (layout) object)
Object that is next relation (e.g., the lyric syllable following an extender).

right-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

heads (array of grobs)

An array of note heads.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *LyricExtender* (page 460).

3.2.77 lyric-hyphen-interface

A centered hyphen is simply a line between lyrics used to divide syllables.

User settable properties:

dash-period (number)

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

height (dimension, in staff space)

Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

length (dimension, in staff space)

User override for the stem length of unbeamed stems (each unit represents half a **staff-space**).

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space)

Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space)

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a *Tie*, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *LyricHyphen* (page 461), and *LyricSpace* (page 462).

3.2.78 lyric-interface

Any object that is related to lyrics.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *LyricExtender* (page 460), *LyricHyphen* (page 461), and *VowelTransition* (page 550).

3.2.79 lyric-space-interface

An invisible object that prevents lyric words from being spaced too closely.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **LyricSpace** (page 462).

3.2.80 lyric-syllable-interface

A single piece of lyrics.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **LyricText** (page 462).

3.2.81 mark-interface

A rehearsal mark, segno, or coda sign.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **CodaMark** (page 405), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), and **SegnoMark** (page 498).

3.2.82 measure-counter-interface

A counter for numbering measures.

User settable properties:

count-from (integer)

The first measure in a measure count receives this number. The following measures are numbered in increments from this initial value.

left-number-text (markup)

For a measure counter, this is the formatted measure count. When the measure counter extends over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), it is the text on the left side of the dash.

number-range-separator (markup)

For a measure counter extending over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), this is the separator between the two printed numbers.

right-number-text (markup)

When the measure counter extends over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), this is the text on the right side of the dash. Usually unset.

Internal properties:

columns (array of grobs)

An array of grobs, typically containing **PaperColumn** or **NoteColumn** objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MeasureCounter** (page 464).

3.2.83 measure-grouping-interface

This object indicates groups of beats. Valid choices for **style** are **bracket** and **triangle**.

User settable properties:

height (dimension, in staff space)

Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *MeasureGrouping* (page 466).

3.2.84 measure-spanner-interface

A bracket aligned to a measure or measures.

User settable properties:**bracket-flare** (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

bracket-visibility (boolean or symbol)

This controls the visibility of the tuplet bracket. Setting it to false prevents printing of the bracket. Setting the property to *if-no-beam* makes it print only if there is no beam associated with this tuplet bracket.

connect-to-neighbor (pair)

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

direction (direction)

If *side-axis* is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

spacing-pair (pair)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right *BreakAlignments*.

For example, a *MultiMeasureRest* will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *MeasureSpanner* (page 467).

3.2.85 melody-spanner-interface

Context dependent typesetting decisions.

User settable properties:

neutral-direction (direction)

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

Internal properties:

stems (array of grobs)

An array of stem objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *MelodyItem* (page 468).

3.2.86 mensural-ligature-interface

A mensural ligature.

User settable properties:

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

add-join (boolean)

Is this ligature head-joined with the next one by a vertical line?

delta-position (number)

The vertical position difference.

flexa-interval (integer)

The interval spanned by the two notes of a flexa shape (1 is a second, 7 is an octave).

head-width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of this ligature head.

ligature-flexa (boolean)

request joining note to the previous one in a flexa.

primitive (integer)

A pointer to a ligature primitive, i.e., an item similar to a note head that is part of a ligature.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MensuralLigature** (page 468), and **NoteHead** (page 479).

3.2.87 metronome-mark-interface

A metronome mark.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MetronomeMark** (page 469).

3.2.88 multi-measure-interface

Multi measure rest, and the text or number that is printed over it.

User settable properties:

bound-padding (number)

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475).

3.2.89 multi-measure-rest-interface

A rest that spans a whole number of measures.

User settable properties:

bound-padding (number)

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

expand-limit (integer)

Maximum number of measures expanded in church rests.

hair-thickness (number)

Thickness of the thin line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

max-symbol-separation (number)

The maximum distance between symbols making up a church rest.

measure-count (integer)

The number of measures for a multi-measure rest.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space)

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

round-up-exceptions (list)

A list of pairs where car is the numerator and cdr the denominator of a moment. Each pair in this list means that the multi-measure rests of the corresponding length will be rounded up to the longer rest. See *round-up-to-longer-rest*.

round-up-to-longer-rest (boolean)

Displays the longer multi-measure rest when the length of a measure is between two values of **usable-duration-logs**. For example, displays a breve instead of a whole in a 3/2 measure.

spacing-pair (pair)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object's spacing relative to its left and right **BreakAlignments**.

For example, a **MultiMeasureRest** will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

thick-thickness (number)

Thickness of the thick line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

usable-duration-logs (list)

List of **duration-logs** that can be used in typesetting the grob.

Internal properties:**space-increment** (dimension, in staff space)

The amount by which the total duration of a multimeasure rest affects horizontal spacing. Each doubling of the duration adds **space-increment** to the length of the bar.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), and **PercentRepeat** (page 484).

3.2.90 multi-measure-rest-number-interface

Multi measure rest number that is printed over a rest.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472).

3.2.91 note-collision-interface

An object that handles collisions between notes with different stem directions and horizontal shifts. Most of the interesting properties are to be set in Section 3.2.92 [note-column-interface], page 601: these are **force-hshift** and **horizontal-shift**.

User settable properties:**merge-differently-dotted** (boolean)

Merge note heads in collisions, even if they have a different number of dots. This is normal notation for some types of polyphonic music.

merge-differently-dotted only applies to opposing stem directions (i.e., voice 1 & 2).

merge-differently-headed (boolean)

Merge note heads in collisions, even if they have different note heads. The smaller of the two heads is rendered invisible. This is used in polyphonic guitar notation. The value of this setting is used by Section “note-collision-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

merge-differently-headed only applies to opposing stem directions (i.e., voice 1 & 2).

note-collision-threshold (dimension, in staff space)

Simultaneous notes that are this close or closer in units of **staff-space** will be identified as vertically colliding. Used by **Stem** grobs for notes in the same voice, and **NoteCollision** grobs for notes in different voices. Default value 1.

prefer-dotted-right (boolean)

For note collisions, prefer to shift dotted up-note to the right, rather than shifting just the dot.

Internal properties:

positioning-done (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteCollision** (page 477).

3.2.92 note-column-interface

Stem and noteheads combined.

User settable properties:

force-hshift (number)

This specifies a manual shift for notes in collisions. The unit is the note head width of the first voice note. This is used by Section “note-collision-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

glissando-skip (boolean)

Should this **NoteHead** be skipped by glissandi?

horizontal-shift (integer)

An integer that identifies ranking of **NoteColumns** for horizontal shifting. This is used by Section “note-collision-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

ignore-collision (boolean)

If set, don’t do note collision resolution on this **NoteColumn**.

main-extent (pair of numbers)

The horizontal extent of a **NoteColumn** grob without taking suspended **NoteHead** grobs into account (i.e., **NoteHeads** forced into the unnatural direction of the **Stem** because of a chromatic clash).

Internal properties:

note-heads (array of grobs)

An array of note head grobs.

rest (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Rest** object.

rest-collision (graphical (layout) object)

A rest collision that a rest is in.

stem (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Stem** object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteColumn** (page 478).

3.2.93 note-head-interface

A note head. There are many possible values for **style**. For a complete list, see Section “Note head styles” in *Notation Reference*.

User settable properties:**duration-log** (integer)

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

glyph-name (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.**ignore-ambitus** (boolean)

If set, don't consider this notehead for ambitus calculation.

ledger-positions (list)Vertical positions of ledger lines. When set on a **StaffSymbol** grob it defines a repeating pattern of ledger lines and any parenthesized groups will always be shown together.**note-names** (vector)

Vector of strings containing names for easy-notation note heads.

stem-attachment (pair of numbers)An (*x* . *y*) pair where the stem attaches to the notehead.**style** (symbol)This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.**Internal properties:****accidental-grob** (graphical (layout) object)

The accidental for this note.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AmbitusNoteHead** (page 376), **NoteHead** (page 479), and **TabNoteHead** (page 525).

3.2.94 note-name-interface

Note names.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteName** (page 480).

3.2.95 note-spacing-interface

This object calculates spacing wishes for individual voices.

User settable properties:**knee-spacing-correction** (number)

Factor for the optical correction amount for kneed beams. Set between 0 for no correction and 1 for full correction.

same-direction-correction (number)

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. This amount is used for stems with the same direction to compensate for note head to stem distance.

space-to-barline (boolean)

If set, the distance between a note and the following non-musical column will be measured to the bar line instead of to the beginning of the non-musical column. If there is a clef change followed by a bar line, for example, this

means that we will try to space the non-musical column as though the clef is not there.

stem-spacing-correction (number)

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. For opposite directions, this amount is the correction for two normal sized stems that overlap completely.

Internal properties:

left-items (array of grobs)

Grobs organized on the left by a spacing object.

right-items (array of grobs)

Grobs organized on the right by a spacing object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481).

3.2.96 number-interface

Numbers.

User settable properties:

number-type (symbol)

Numbering style. Choices include **roman-lower**, **roman-upper** and **arabic**.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StringNumber** (page 515).

3.2.97 only-prebreak-interface

Kill this grob after the line breaking process.

This grob interface is not used in any graphical object.

3.2.98 ottava-bracket-interface

An ottava bracket.

User settable properties:

bracket-flare (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

dashed-edge (boolean)

If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (**left-height** . **right-height**).

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space)

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **OttavaBracket** (page 481).

3.2.99 outside-staff-axis-group-interface

A vertical axis group on which outside-staff skyline calculations are done.

User settable properties:

`outside-staff-placement-directive` (symbol)

One of four directives telling how outside staff objects should be placed.

- `left-to-right-greedy` – Place each successive grob from left to right.
- `left-to-right-polite` – Place a grob from left to right only if it does not potentially overlap with another grob that has been placed on a pass through a grob array. If there is overlap, do another pass to determine placement.
- `right-to-left-greedy` – Same as `left-to-right-greedy`, but from right to left.
- `right-to-left-polite` – Same as `left-to-right-polite`, but from right to left.

Internal properties:

`vertical-skyline-elements` (array of grobs)

An array of grobs used to create vertical skylines.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `BassFigureLine` (page 388), `System` (page 521), and `VerticalAxisGroup` (page 545).

3.2.100 outside-staff-interface

A grob that could be placed outside staff.

User settable properties:

`outside-staff-horizontal-padding` (number)

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that is it very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

`outside-staff-padding` (number)

The padding to place between grobs when spacing according to `outside-staff-priority`. Two grobs with different `outside-staff-padding` values have the larger value of padding between them.

`outside-staff-priority` (number)

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller `outside-staff-priority` is closer to the staff.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `AccidentalSuggestion` (page 372), `BarNumber` (page 383), `BassFigureAlignmentPositioning` (page 386), `BendSpanner` (page 391), `BreathingSign` (page 395), `CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner` (page 398), `ChordName` (page 399), `ClefModifier` (page 403), `CodaMark` (page 405), `CombineTextScript` (page 407), `DoublePercentRepeatCounter` (page 421), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `DynamicLineSpanner` (page 425), `DynamicText` (page 426), `Fingering` (page 432), `FretBoard` (page 436), `Hairpin` (page 441), `HorizontalBracket` (page 443), `HorizontalBracketText` (page 444), `InstrumentSwitch` (page 446), `JumpScript` (page 447), `MeasureCounter` (page 464), `MeasureGrouping` (page 466), `MeasureSpanner` (page 467), `MetronomeMark` (page 469), `MultiMeasureRest`

(page 470), `MultiMeasureRestNumber` (page 472), `MultiMeasureRestScript` (page 473), `MultiMeasureRestText` (page 475), `OttavaBracket` (page 481), `PercentRepeatCounter` (page 485), `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), `RehearsalMark` (page 489), `Script` (page 495), `SectionLabel` (page 496), `SegnoMark` (page 498), `Slur` (page 500), `SostenutoPedalLineSpanner` (page 503), `StringNumber` (page 515), `StrokeFinger` (page 517), `SustainPedalLineSpanner` (page 519), `TextScript` (page 527), `TextSpanner` (page 529), `TrillSpanner` (page 538), `TupletBracket` (page 539), `TupletNumber` (page 541), `UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner` (page 543), and `VoltaBracketSpanner` (page 549).

3.2.101 paper-column-interface

`Paper_column` objects form the top-most X parents for items. There are two types of columns: musical and non-musical, to which musical and non-musical objects are attached respectively. The spacing engine determines the X positions of these objects.

They are numbered, the first (leftmost) is column 0. Numbering happens before line breaking, and columns are not renumbered after line breaking. Since many columns go unused, you should only use the rank field to get ordering information. Two adjacent columns may have non-adjacent numbers.

The `paper-column-interface` implies the `item-interface` (page 588).

User settable properties:

`between-cols` (pair)

Where to attach a loose column to.

`full-measure-extra-space` (number)

Extra space that is allocated at the beginning of a measure with only one note. This property is read from the `NonMusicalPaperColumn` that begins the measure.

`labels` (list)

List of labels (symbols) placed on a column.

`line-break-penalty` (number)

Penalty for a line break at this column. This affects the choices of the line breaker; it avoids a line break at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a line break at a column with a negative penalty.

`line-break-permission` (symbol)

Instructs the line breaker on whether to put a line break at this column. Can be `force` or `allow`.

`line-break-system-details` (list)

An alist of properties to use if this column is the start of a system.

`page-break-penalty` (number)

Penalty for page break at this column. This affects the choices of the page breaker; it avoids a page break at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a page break at a column with a negative penalty.

`page-break-permission` (symbol)

Instructs the page breaker on whether to put a page break at this column. Can be `force` or `allow`.

`page-turn-penalty` (number)

Penalty for a page turn at this column. This affects the choices of the page breaker; it avoids a page turn at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a page turn at a column with a negative penalty.

- page-turn-permission** (symbol)
Instructs the page breaker on whether to put a page turn at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.
- rhythmic-location** (rhythmic location)
Where (bar number, measure position) in the score.
- shortest-playing-duration** (moment)
The duration of the shortest note playing here.
- shortest-starter-duration** (moment)
The duration of the shortest note that starts here.
- used** (boolean)
If set, this spacing column is kept in the spacing problem.
- when** (moment)
Global time step associated with this column.

Internal properties:

- bounded-by-me** (array of grobs)
An array of spanners that have this column as start/begin point. Only columns that have grobs or act as bounds are spaced.
- grace-spacing** (graphical (layout) object)
A run of grace notes.
- maybe-loose** (boolean)
Used to mark a breakable column that is loose if and only if it is in the middle of a line.
- spacing** (graphical (layout) object)
The spacing spanner governing this section.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NonMusicalPaperColumn** (page 476), and **PaperColumn** (page 483).

3.2.102 parentheses-interface

Parentheses for other objects.

User settable properties:

- padding** (dimension, in staff space)
Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.
- stencils** (list)
Multiple stencils, used as intermediate value.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Parentheses** (page 484), and **TrillPitchParentheses** (page 537).

3.2.103 percent-repeat-interface

Beat, Double and single measure repeats.

User settable properties:

- dot-negative-kern** (number)
The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slash-negative-kern (number)

The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slope (number)

The slope of this object.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *DoublePercentRepeat* (page 420), *DoublePercentRepeatCounter* (page 421), *DoubleRepeatSlash* (page 422), *PercentRepeat* (page 484), *PercentRepeatCounter* (page 485), and *RepeatSlash* (page 491).

3.2.104 percent-repeat-item-interface

Repeats that look like percent signs.

User settable properties:

dot-negative-kern (number)

The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slash-negative-kern (number)

The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slope (number)

The slope of this object.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *DoublePercentRepeat* (page 420), *DoublePercentRepeatCounter* (page 421), *DoubleRepeatSlash* (page 422), and *RepeatSlash* (page 491).

3.2.105 piano-pedal-bracket-interface

The bracket of the piano pedal. It can be tuned through the regular bracket properties.

User settable properties:

bound-padding (number)

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

bracket-flare (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

dashed-edge (boolean)

If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

Internal properties:

pedal-text (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to the text of a mixed-style piano pedal.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488).

3.2.106 piano-pedal-interface

A piano pedal sign.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), and **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543).

3.2.107 piano-pedal-script-interface

A piano pedal sign, fixed size.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **SustainPedal** (page 518), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

3.2.108 pitched-trill-interface

A note head to indicate trill pitches.

Internal properties:

accidental-grob (graphical (layout) object)

The accidental for this note.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **TrillPitchHead** (page 536), and **TrillPitchParentheses** (page 537).

3.2.109 pure-from-neighbor-interface

A collection of routines to allow for objects' pure heights and heights to be calculated based on the heights of the objects' neighbors.

Internal properties:

neighbors (array of grobs)

The X-axis neighbors of a grob. Used by the pure-from-neighbor-interface to determine various grob heights.

pure-relevant-grobs (array of grobs)

All the grobs (items and spanners) that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**

pure-Y-common (graphical (layout) object)

A cache of the **common_refpoint_of_array** of the **elements** grob set.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `BarLine` (page 380), `Clef` (page 400), `CueClef` (page 411), `CueEndClef` (page 414), `KeyCancellation` (page 449), `KeySignature` (page 451), `SpanBarStub` (page 506), and `TimeSignature` (page 532).

3.2.110 rehearsal-mark-interface

A rehearsal mark.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `RehearsalMark` (page 489).

3.2.111 rest-collision-interface

Move ordinary rests (not multi-measure nor pitched rests) to avoid conflicts.

User settable properties:

`minimum-distance` (dimension, in staff space)
Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

Internal properties:

`elements` (array of grobs)
An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.
`positioning-done` (boolean)
Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `RestCollision` (page 494).

3.2.112 rest-interface

A rest symbol. The property `style` can be `default`, `mensural`, `neomensural` or `classical`.

User settable properties:

`direction` (direction)
If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed `LEFT`, `CENTER` or `RIGHT` with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed `UP`, `CENTER` or `DOWN`. Numerical values may also be used: `UP=1`, `DOWN=-1`, `LEFT=-1`, `RIGHT=1`, `CENTER=0`.
`minimum-distance` (dimension, in staff space)
Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.
`style` (symbol)
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.
`voiced-position` (number)
The staff-position of a voiced `Rest`, negative if the rest has `direction DOWN`.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `MultiMeasureRest` (page 470), and `Rest` (page 493).

3.2.113 rhythmic-grob-interface

Any object with a duration. Used to determine which grobs are interesting enough to maintain a *hara-kiri* staff.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `BassFigure` (page 385), `ChordName` (page 399), `ClusterSpannerBeacon` (page 405), `DoubleRepeatSlash` (page 422), `FretBoard` (page 436), `LyricText` (page 462), `NoteHead` (page 479), `RepeatSlash` (page 491), `Rest` (page 493), and `TabNoteHead` (page 525).

3.2.114 rhythmic-head-interface

Note head or rest.

User settable properties:

`duration-log` (integer)

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

`glissando-skip` (boolean)

Should this `NoteHead` be skipped by glissandi?

Internal properties:

`dot` (graphical (layout) object)

A reference to a `Dots` object.

`stem` (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a `Stem` object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `AmbitusNoteHead` (page 376), `NoteHead` (page 479), `Rest` (page 493), `TabNoteHead` (page 525), and `TrillPitchHead` (page 536).

3.2.115 script-column-interface

An interface that sorts scripts according to their `script-priority` and `outside-staff-priority`.

Internal properties:

`scripts` (array of grobs)

An array of `Script` objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `ScriptColumn` (page 496), and `ScriptRow` (page 496).

3.2.116 script-interface

An object that is put above or below a note.

User settable properties:

`avoid-slur` (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.

`script-priority` (number)

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

`side-relative-direction` (direction)

Multiply direction of `direction-source` with this to get the direction of this object.

slur-padding (number)

Extra distance between slur and script.

toward-stem-shift (number)

Amount by which scripts are shifted toward the stem if their direction coincides with the stem direction. 0.0 means centered on the note head (the default position of most scripts); 1.0 means centered on the stem. Interpolated values are possible.

toward-stem-shift-in-column (number)

Amount by which a script is shifted toward the stem if its direction coincides with the stem direction and it is associated with a **ScriptColumn** object. 0.0 means centered on the note head (the default position of most scripts); 1.0 means centered on the stem. Interpolated values are possible.

Internal properties:

direction-source (graphical (layout) object)

In case **side-relative-direction** is set, which grob to get the direction from.

positioning-done (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

script-column (graphical (layout) object)

A **ScriptColumn** associated with a **Script** object.

script-stencil (pair)

A pair (**type** . **arg**) which acts as an index for looking up a **Stencil** object.

slur (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Slur** object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **DynamicText** (page 426), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), and **Script** (page 495).

3.2.117 section-label-interface

A section label, e.g. “Coda”.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SectionLabel** (page 496).

3.2.118 segno-mark-interface

A segno.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SegnoMark** (page 498).

3.2.119 self-alignment-interface

Position this object on itself and/or on its parent. To this end, the following functions are provided:

Self_alignment_interface::[xy]_aligned_on_self

Align self on reference point, using **self-alignment-X** and **self-alignment-Y**.

Self_alignment_interface::aligned_on_[xy]_parent

Self_alignment_interface::centered_on_[xy]_parent

Shift the object so its own reference point is centered on the extent of the parent

User settable properties:**parent-alignment-X** (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value -1 means aligned on parent's left edge, 0 on center, and 1 right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent's width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

parent-alignment-Y (number)

Like **parent-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

self-alignment-X (number)

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number)

Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

X-align-on-main-noteheads (boolean)

If true, this grob will ignore suspended noteheads when aligning itself on **NoteColumn**.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **BarNumber** (page 383), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CodaMark** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DynamicText** (page 426), **Fingering** (page 432), **GridLine** (page 440), **Hairpin** (page 441), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **JumpScript** (page 447), **LyricText** (page 462), **MeasureCounter** (page 464), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **Script** (page 495), **SectionLabel** (page 496), **SegnoMark** (page 498), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **StemTremolo** (page 514), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **TextScript** (page 527), and **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542).

3.2.120 semi-tie-column-interface

The interface for a column of l.v. (*laissez vibrer*) ties.

User settable properties:**head-direction** (direction)

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

tie-configuration (list)

List of (*position* . *dir*) pairs, indicating the desired tie configuration, where *position* is the offset from the center of the staff in staff space and *dir* indicates the direction of the tie (1=>up, -1=>down, 0=>center). A non-pair entry in the list causes the corresponding tie to be formatted automatically.

Internal properties:**positioning-done** (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

ties (array of grobs)

A grob array of **Tie** objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `LaissezVibrerTieColumn` (page 456), and `RepeatTieColumn` (page 493).

3.2.121 semi-tie-interface

A tie which is only connected to a note head on one side. The following properties may be set in the `details` list:

`height-limit`

Maximum tie height: The longer the tie, the closer it is to this height.

`ratio`

Parameter for tie shape. The higher this number, the quicker the tie attains its `height-limit`.

User settable properties:

`control-points` (list of number pairs)

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

`details` (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

`direction` (direction)

If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

`head-direction` (direction)

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

`line-thickness` (number)

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

`thickness` (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

Internal properties:

`annotation` (string)

Annotate a grob for debug purposes.

`note-head` (graphical (layout) object)

A single note head.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `LaissezVibrerTie` (page 455), and `RepeatTie` (page 492).

3.2.122 separation-item-interface

Item that computes widths to generate spacing rods.

User settable properties:

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

skyline-vertical-padding (number)

The amount by which the left and right skylines of a column are padded vertically, beyond the **Y-extents** and **extra-spacing-heights** of the constituent grobs in the column. Increase this to prevent interleaving of grobs from adjacent columns.

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Internal properties:

conditional-elements (array of grobs)

Internal use only.

elements (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NonMusicalPaperColumn** (page 476), **NoteColumn** (page 478), and **PaperColumn** (page 483).

3.2.123 side-position-interface

Position a victim object (this one) next to other objects (the support). The property **direction** signifies where to put the victim object relative to the support (left or right, up or down?)

The routine also takes the size of the staff into account if **staff-padding** is set. If undefined, the staff symbol is ignored.

User settable properties:

add-stem-support (boolean)

If set, the **Stem** object is included in this script's support.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

horizon-padding (number)

The amount to pad the axis along which a **Skyline** is built for the **side-position-interface**.

minimum-space (dimension, in staff space)

Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

side-axis (number)

If the value is X (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is Y or 1, it is placed vertically.

slur-padding (number)

Extra distance between slur and script.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

use-skylines (boolean)

Should skylines be used for side positioning?

Internal properties:

quantize-position (boolean)

If set, a vertical alignment is aligned to be within staff spaces.

side-support-elements (array of grobs)

The side support, an array of grobs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AccidentalSuggestion** (page 372), **Arpeggio** (page 377), **BarNumber** (page 383), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CodaMark** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **Episema** (page 429), **Fingering** (page 432), **HorizontalBracket** (page 443), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **JumpScript** (page 447), **MeasureCounter** (page 464), **MeasureGrouping** (page 466), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **Script** (page 495), **SectionLabel** (page 496), **SegnoMark** (page 498), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **StanzaNumber** (page 511), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), **SystemStartSquare** (page 524), **TextScript** (page 527), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **TrillPitchAccidental** (page 534), **TrillPitchGroup** (page 535), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), **VoltaBracket** (page 548), and **VoltaBracketSpanner** (page 549).

3.2.124 slur-interface

A slur. Slurs are formatted by trying a number of combinations of left/right end point, and then picking the slur with the lowest demerit score. The combinations are generated by going from the base attachments (i.e., note heads) in the direction in half space increments until we have covered **region-size** staff spaces. The following properties may be set in the **details** list.

region-size

Size of region (in staff spaces) for determining potential endpoints in the Y direction.

head-encompass-penalty

Demerit to apply when note heads collide with a slur.

stem-encompass-penalty

Demerit to apply when stems collide with a slur.

edge-attraction-factor

Factor used to calculate the demerit for distances between slur endpoints and their corresponding base attachments.

same-slope-penalty

Demerit for slurs with attachment points that are horizontally aligned.

steeper-slope-factor

Factor used to calculate demerit only if this slur is not broken.

non-horizontal-penalty

Demerit for slurs with attachment points that are not horizontally aligned.

max-slope

The maximum slope allowed for this slur.

max-slope-factor

Factor that calculates demerit based on the max slope.

free-head-distance

The amount of vertical free space that must exist between a slur and note heads.

absolute-closeness-measure

Factor to calculate demerit for variance between a note head and slur.

extra-object-collision-penalty

Factor to calculate demerit for extra objects that the slur encompasses, including accidentals, fingerings, and tuplet numbers.

accidental-collision

Factor to calculate demerit for **Accidental** objects that the slur encompasses. This property value replaces the value of **extra-object-collision-penalty**.

extra-encompass-free-distance

The amount of vertical free space that must exist between a slur and various objects it encompasses, including accidentals, fingerings, and tuplet numbers.

extra-encompass-collision-distance

This detail is currently unused.

head-slur-distance-factor

Factor to calculate demerit for variance between a note head and slur.

head-slur-distance-max-ratio

The maximum value for the ratio of distance between a note head and slur.

gap-to-staffline-inside

Minimum gap inside the curve of the slur where the slur is parallel to a staffline.

gap-to-staffline-outside

Minimum gap outside the curve of the slur where the slur is parallel to a staffline.

free-slur-distance

The amount of vertical free space that must exist between adjacent slurs. This subproperty only works for **PhrasingSlur**.

edge-slope-exponent

Factor used to calculate the demerit for the slope of a slur near its endpoints; a larger value yields a larger demerit.

User settable properties:**avoid-slur (symbol)**

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the

slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

control-points (list of number pairs)

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

dash-definition (pair)

List of **dash-elements** defining the dash structure. Each **dash-element** has a starting *t* value, an ending *t*-value, a **dash-fraction**, and a **dash-period**.

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

eccentricity (number)

How asymmetrical to make a slur. Positive means move the center to the right.

height-limit (dimension, in staff space)

Maximum slur height: The longer the slur, the closer it is to this height.

inspect-quants (pair of numbers)

If debugging is set, set beam and slur position to a (quantized) position that is as close as possible to this value, and print the demerits for the inspected position in the output.

line-thickness (number)

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

positions (pair of numbers)

Pair of staff coordinates (**start . end**), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

ratio (number)

Parameter for slur shape. The higher this number, the quicker the slur attains its **height-limit**.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This

property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

Internal properties:

- `annotation` (string)
Annotate a grob for debug purposes.
- `encompass-objects` (array of grobs)
Objects that a slur should avoid in addition to notes and stems.
- `note-columns` (array of grobs)
An array of `NoteColumn` grobs.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `PhrasingSlur` (page 487), and `Slur` (page 500).

3.2.125 spaceable-grob-interface

A layout object that takes part in the spacing problem.

User settable properties:

- `allow-loose-spacing` (boolean)
If set, column can be detached from main spacing.
- `keep-inside-line` (boolean)
If set, this column cannot have objects sticking into the margin.
- `measure-length` (moment)
Length of a measure. Used in some spacing situations.

Internal properties:

- `ideal-distances` (list)
(`obj . (dist . strength)`) pairs.
- `left-neighbor` (graphical (layout) object)
The right-most column that has a spacing-wish for this column.
- `minimum-distances` (list)
A list of rods that have the format (`obj . dist`).
- `right-neighbor` (graphical (layout) object)
See `left-neighbor`.
- `spacing-wishes` (array of grobs)
An array of note spacing or staff spacing objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `NonMusicalPaperColumn` (page 476), and `PaperColumn` (page 483).

3.2.126 spacing-interface

This object calculates the desired and minimum distances between two columns.

Internal properties:

- `left-items` (array of grobs)
Grob organized on the left by a spacing object.
- `right-items` (array of grobs)
Grob organized on the right by a spacing object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **NoteSpacing** (page 481), and **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

3.2.127 spacing-options-interface

Supports setting of spacing variables.

User settable properties:

shortest-duration-space (number)

Start with this multiple of **spacing-increment** space for the shortest duration. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

spacing-increment (dimension, in staff space)

The unit of length for note-spacing. Typically, the width of a note head. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **GraceSpacing** (page 440), and **SpacingSpanner** (page 504).

3.2.128 spacing-spanner-interface

The space taken by a note is dependent on its duration. Doubling a duration adds **spacing-increment** to the space. The most common shortest note gets **shortest-duration-space**. Notes that are even shorter are spaced proportional to their duration.

Typically, the increment is the width of a black note head. In a piece with lots of 8th notes, and some 16th notes, the eighth note gets a 2 note heads width (i.e., the space following a note is a 1 note head width). A 16th note is followed by 0.5 note head width. The quarter note is followed by 3 NHW, the half by 4 NHW, etc.

User settable properties:

average-spacing-wishes (boolean)

If set, the spacing wishes are averaged over staves.

base-shortest-duration (moment)

Spacing is based on the shortest notes in a piece. Normally, pieces are spaced as if notes at least as short as this are present.

common-shortest-duration (moment)

The most common shortest note length. This is used in spacing. Enlarging this sets the score tighter.

packed-spacing (boolean)

If set, the notes are spaced as tightly as possible.

shortest-duration-space (number)

Start with this multiple of **spacing-increment** space for the shortest duration. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

spacing-increment (dimension, in staff space)

The unit of length for note-spacing. Typically, the width of a note head. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

strict-grace-spacing (boolean)

If set, main notes are spaced normally, then grace notes are put left of the musical columns for the main notes.

strict-note-spacing (boolean)

If set, unbroken columns with non-musical material (clefs, bar lines, etc.) are not spaced separately, but put before musical columns.

uniform-stretching (boolean)

If set, items stretch proportionally to their natural separation based on durations. This looks better in complex polyphonic patterns.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SpacingSpanner** (page 504).

3.2.129 span-bar-interface

A bar line that is spanned between other bar lines. This interface is used for bar lines that connect different staves.

User settable properties:

glyph-name (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

Internal properties:

elements (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

pure-relevant-grobs (array of grobs)

All the grobs (items and spanners) that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**

pure-relevant-items (array of grobs)

A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.

pure-relevant-spanners (array of grobs)

A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.

pure-Y-common (graphical (layout) object)

A cache of the **common_refpoint_of_array** of the **elements** grob set.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SpanBar** (page 505).

3.2.130 spanner-interface

Some objects are horizontally spanned between objects. For example, slurs, beams, ties, etc. These grobs form a subtype called **Spanner**. All spanners have two span points (these must be **Item** objects), one on the left and one on the right. The left bound is also the X reference point of the spanner.

User settable properties:

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space)

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

minimum-length-after-break (dimension, in staff space)

If set, try to make a broken spanner starting a line this long. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance to the notehead.

normalized-endpoints (pair)

Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

spanner-id (index or symbol)

An identifier to distinguish concurrent spanners.

to-barline (boolean)

If true, the spanner will stop at the bar line just before it would otherwise stop.

Internal properties:

spanner-broken (boolean)

Indicates whether spanner alignment should be broken after the current spanner.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BassFigureAlignment** (page 385), **BassFigureAlignmentPositioning** (page 386), **BassFigureContinuation** (page 387), **BassFigureLine** (page 388), **Beam** (page 388), **BendAfter** (page 390), **BendSpanner** (page 391), **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), **CenteredBarNumberLineSpanner** (page 398), **ClusterSpanner** (page 404), **DurationLine** (page 423), **DynamicLineSpanner** (page 425), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Episema** (page 429), **FingerGlideSpanner** (page 430), **Glissando** (page 438), **GraceSpacing** (page 440), **Hairpin** (page 441), **HorizontalBracket** (page 443), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **KievanLigature** (page 454), **LedgerLineSpanner** (page 456), **LigatureBracket** (page 459), **LyricExtender** (page 460), **LyricHyphen** (page 461), **LyricSpace** (page 462), **MeasureCounter** (page 464), **MeasureGrouping** (page 466), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **MensuralLigature** (page 468), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestScript** (page 473), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PercentRepeat** (page 484), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **PhrasingSlur** (page 487), **PianoPedalBracket** (page 488), **Slur** (page 500), **SostenutoPedalLineSpanner** (page 503), **SpacingSpanner** (page 504), **StaffGrouper** (page 509), **StaffSymbol** (page 510), **SustainPedalLineSpanner** (page 519), **System** (page 521), **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), **SystemStartSquare** (page 524), **TextSpanner** (page 529), **Tie** (page 530), **TieColumn** (page 532), **TrillSpanner** (page 538), **TupletBracket** (page 539), **TupletNumber** (page 541), **UnaCordaPedalLineSpanner** (page 543), **VaticanaLigature** (page 544), **VerticalAlignment** (page 544), **VerticalAxisGroup** (page 545), **VoiceFollower** (page 547), **VoltaBracket** (page 548), **VoltaBracketSpanner** (page 549), and **VowelTransition** (page 550).

In addition, this interface is supported conditionally by the following objects depending on their class: **BalloonText** (page 378), **ControlPoint** (page 409), **ControlPolygon** (page 410), **Footnote** (page 435), and **Parentheses** (page 484).

3.2.131 staff-grouper-interface

A grob that collects staves together.

User settable properties:

staff-staff-spacing (list)

When applied to a staff-group's **StaffGrouper** grob, this spacing alist controls the distance between consecutive staves within the staff-group. When applied to a staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob, it controls the distance between the staff and the nearest staff below it in the same system, replacing any settings inherited from the **StaffGrouper** grob of the containing staff-group, if there is one. This property remains in effect even when non-staff lines appear between staves. The alist can contain the following keys:

- **basic-distance** – the vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items when no collisions would result, and no stretching or compressing is in effect.
- **minimum-distance** – the smallest allowable vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items, when compressing is in effect.
- **padding** – the minimum required amount of unobstructed vertical white-space between the bounding boxes (or skylines) of the two items, measured in staff-spaces.
- **stretchability** – a unitless measure of the dimension’s relative propensity to stretch. If zero, the distance will not stretch (unless collisions would result).

staffgroup-staff-spacing (list)

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the last staff of the current staff-group and the staff just below it in the same system, even if one or more non-staff lines exist between the two staves. If the **staff-staff-spacing** property of the staff’s **VerticalAxisGroup** grob is set, that is used instead. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StaffGrouper** (page 509).

3.2.132 staff-spacing-interface

This object calculates spacing details from a breakable symbol (left) to another object. For example, it takes care of optical spacing from a bar line to a note.

User settable properties:

stem-spacing-correction (number)

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. For opposite directions, this amount is the correction for two normal sized stems that overlap completely.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StaffSpacing** (page 510).

3.2.133 staff-symbol-interface

This spanner draws the lines of a staff. A staff symbol defines a vertical unit, the *staff space*. Quantities that go by a half staff space are called *positions*. The center (i.e., middle line or space) is position 0. The length of the symbol may be set by hand through the **width** property.

User settable properties:

break-align-symbols (list)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

ledger-extra (dimension, in staff space)

Extra distance from staff line to draw ledger lines for.

ledger-line-thickness (pair of numbers)

The thickness of ledger lines. It is the sum of 2 numbers: The first is the factor for line thickness, and the second for staff space. Both contributions are added.

ledger-positions (list)

Vertical positions of ledger lines. When set on a **StaffSymbol** grob it defines a repeating pattern of ledger lines and any parenthesized groups will always be shown together.

ledger-positions-function (any type)

A quoted Scheme procedure that takes a **StaffSymbol** grob and the vertical position of a note head as arguments and returns a list of ledger line positions.

line-count (integer)

The number of staff lines.

line-positions (list)

Vertical positions of staff lines.

staff-space (dimension, in staff space)

Amount of space between staff lines, expressed in global **staff-space**.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of a grob measured in staff space.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StaffSymbol** (page 510).

3.2.134 staff-symbol-referencer-interface

An object whose Y position is meant relative to a staff symbol. These usually have **Staff_symbol_referencer::callback** in their Y-offset-callbacks.

User settable properties:**staff-position** (number)

Vertical position, measured in half staff spaces, counted from the middle line.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **AmbitusNoteHead** (page 376), **Arpeggio** (page 377), **Beam** (page 388), **Clef** (page 400), **CueClef** (page 411), **CueEndClef** (page 414), **Custos** (page 416), **Dots** (page 419), **KeyCancellation** (page 449), **KeySignature** (page 451), **MultiMeasureRest** (page 470), **NoteHead** (page 479), **Rest** (page 493), **TabNoteHead** (page 525), and **TrillPitchHead** (page 536).

3.2.135 stanza-number-interface

A stanza number, to be put in from of a lyrics line.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StanzaNumber** (page 511).

3.2.136 stem-interface

The stem represents the graphical stem. In addition, it internally connects note heads, beams, and tremolos. Rests and whole notes have invisible stems.

The following properties may be set in the **details** list.

beamed-lengths

List of stem lengths given beam multiplicity.

beamed-minimum-free-lengths

List of normal minimum free stem lengths (chord to beams) given beam multiplicity.

beamed-extreme-minimum-free-lengths

List of extreme minimum free stem lengths (chord to beams) given beam multiplicity.

lengths Default stem lengths. The list gives a length for each flag count.

stem-shorten

How much a stem in a forced direction should be shortened. The list gives an amount depending on the number of flags and beams.

User settable properties:**avoid-note-head** (boolean)

If set, the stem of a chord does not pass through all note heads, but starts at the last note head.

beaming (pair)

Pair of number lists. Each number list specifies which beams to make. 0 is the central beam, 1 is the next beam toward the note, etc. This information is used to determine how to connect the beaming patterns from stem to stem inside a beam.

beamlet-default-length (pair)

A pair of numbers. The first number specifies the default length of a beamlet that sticks out of the left hand side of this stem; the second number specifies the default length of the beamlet to the right. The actual length of a beamlet is determined by taking either the default length or the length specified by **beamlet-max-length-proportion**, whichever is smaller.

beamlet-max-length-proportion (pair)

The maximum length of a beamlet, as a proportion of the distance between two adjacent stems.

default-direction (direction)

Direction determined by note head positions.

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

double-stem-separation (number)

The distance between the two stems of a half note in tablature when using **\tabFullNotation**, not counting the width of the stems themselves, expressed as a multiple of the default height of a staff-space in the traditional five-line staff.

duration-log (integer)

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

- french-beaming** (boolean)
Use French beaming style for this stem. The stem stops at the innermost beams.
- length** (dimension, in staff space)
User override for the stem length of unbeamed stems (each unit represents half a **staff-space**).
- length-fraction** (number)
Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.
- max-beam-connect** (integer)
Maximum number of beams to connect to beams from this stem. Further beams are typeset as beamlets.
- neutral-direction** (direction)
Which direction to take in the center of the staff.
- no-stem-extend** (boolean)
If set, notes with ledger lines do not get stems extending to the middle staff line.
- note-collision-threshold** (dimension, in staff space)
Simultaneous notes that are this close or closer in units of **staff-space** will be identified as vertically colliding. Used by **Stem** grobs for notes in the same voice, and **NoteCollision** grobs for notes in different voices. Default value 1.
- stem-begin-position** (number)
User override for the begin position of a stem.
- stemlet-length** (number)
How long should be a stem over a rest?
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

Internal properties:

- beam** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to the beam, if applicable.
- flag** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Flag** object.
- french-beaming-stem-adjustment** (dimension, in staff space)
Stem will be shortened by this amount of space in case of French beaming style.
- melody-spanner** (graphical (layout) object)
The **MelodyItem** object for a stem.
- note-heads** (array of grobs)
An array of note head grobs.
- positioning-done** (boolean)
Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

- rests** (array of grobs)
An array of rest objects.
- stem-info** (pair)
A cache of stem parameters.
- tremolo-flag** (graphical (layout) object)
The tremolo object on a stem.
- tuplet-start** (boolean)
Is stem at the start of a tuplet?

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **Stem** (page 512).

3.2.137 stem-tremolo-interface

A beam slashing a stem to indicate a tremolo. The property **shape** can be **beam-like** or **rectangle**.

User settable properties:

- beam-thickness** (dimension, in staff space)
Beam thickness, measured in **staff-space** units.
- beam-width** (dimension, in staff space)
Width of the tremolo sign.
- direction** (direction)
If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP=1**, **DOWN=-1**, **LEFT=-1**, **RIGHT=1**, **CENTER=0**.
- flag-count** (number)
The number of tremolo beams.
- length-fraction** (number)
Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.
- shape** (symbol)
This setting determines what shape a grob has. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.
- slope** (number)
The slope of this object.

Internal properties:

- stem** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Stem** object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StemTremolo** (page 514).

3.2.138 sticky-grob-interface

A grob that is attached to another grob. Grobs type having this interface can be either items or spanners, depending on the class of their host. Sticky spanners implicitly take their bounds from the host.

Internal properties:

sticky-host (graphical (layout) object)
The grob that a sticky grob attaches to.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BalloonText** (page 378), **ControlPoint** (page 409), **ControlPolygon** (page 410), **Footnote** (page 435), and **Parentheses** (page 484).

3.2.139 string-number-interface

A string number instruction.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StringNumber** (page 515).

3.2.140 stroke-finger-interface

A right hand finger instruction.

User settable properties:

digit-names (vector)
Names for string finger digits.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **StrokeFinger** (page 517).

3.2.141 system-interface

This is the top-level object: Each object in a score ultimately has a **System** object as its X and Y parent.

The **system-interface** implies the **spanner-interface** (page 620).

User settable properties:

labels (list)
List of labels (symbols) placed on a column.

page-number (number)
Page number on which this system ends up.

rank-on-page (number)
0-based index of the system on a page.

Internal properties:

all-elements (array of grobs)
An array of all grobs in this line. Its function is to protect objects from being garbage collected.

columns (array of grobs)
An array of grobs, typically containing **PaperColumn** or **NoteColumn** objects.

footnote-stencil (stencil)
The stencil of a system's footnotes.

footnotes-after-line-breaking (array of grobs)
Footnote grobs of a broken system.

footnotes-before-line-breaking (array of grobs)
Footnote grobs of a whole system.

in-note-direction (direction)
Direction to place in-notes above a system.

- in-note-padding** (number)
Padding between in-notes.
- in-note-stencil** (stencil)
The stencil of a system's in-notes.
- pure-Y-extent** (pair of numbers)
The estimated height of a system.
- vertical-alignment** (graphical (layout) object)
The VerticalAlignment in a System.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **System** (page 521).

3.2.142 system-start-delimiter-interface

The brace, bracket or bar in front of the system. The following values for **style** are recognized:

- bracket** A thick bracket, normally used to group similar instruments in a score. Default for **StaffGroup**. **SystemStartBracket** uses this style.
- brace** A ‘piano style’ brace normally used for an instrument that uses two staves. The default style for **GrandStaff**. **SystemStartBrace** uses this style.
- bar-line** A simple line between the staves in a score. Default for staves enclosed in << and >>. **SystemStartBar** uses this style.
- line-bracket**
A simple square, normally used for subgrouping instruments in a score. **SystemStartSquare** uses this style.

See also `input/regression/system-start-nesting.ly`.

User settable properties:

- collapse-height** (dimension, in staff space)
Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.
- style** (symbol)
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **SystemStartBar** (page 522), **SystemStartBrace** (page 522), **SystemStartBracket** (page 523), and **SystemStartSquare** (page 524).

3.2.143 system-start-text-interface

Text in front of the system.

User settable properties:

- `long-text` (markup)
Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.
- `self-alignment-X` (number)
Specify alignment of an object. The value `-1` means left aligned, `0` centered, and `1` right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.
- `self-alignment-Y` (number)
Like `self-alignment-X` but for the Y axis.
- `text` (markup)
Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `InstrumentName` (page 445).

3.2.144 tab-note-head-interface

A note head in tablature.

User settable properties:

- `details` (list)
Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a `details` property.

Internal properties:

- `display-cautionary` (boolean)
Should the grob be displayed as a cautionary grob?
- `span-start` (boolean)
Is the note head at the start of a spanner?

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `TabNoteHead` (page 525).

3.2.145 text-interface

A Scheme markup text, see Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference* and Section “New markup command definition” in *Extending*.

There are two important commands: `ly:text-interface::print`, which is a grob callback, and `ly:text-interface::interpret-markup`.

User settable properties:

- `baseline-skip` (dimension, in staff space)
Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.
- `flag-style` (symbol)
The style of the flag to be used with `MetronomeMark`. Available are `'modern-straight-flag`, `'old-straight-flag`, `flat-flag`, `mensural` and `'default`
- `replacement-alist` (list)
Alist of strings. The key is a string of the pattern to be replaced. The value is a string of what should be displayed. Useful for ligatures.

text (markup)

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

text-direction (direction)

This controls the ordering of the words. The default **RIGHT** is for roman text. Arabic or Hebrew should use **LEFT**.

word-space (dimension, in staff space)

Space to insert between words in texts.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BalloonText** (page 378), **BarNumber** (page 383), **BassFigure** (page 385), **BendSpanner** (page 391), **BreathingSign** (page 395), **CenteredBarNumber** (page 397), **ChordName** (page 399), **ClefModifier** (page 403), **CodaMark** (page 405), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **ControlPoint** (page 409), **ControlPolygon** (page 410), **DoublePercentRepeatCounter** (page 421), **DynamicText** (page 426), **DynamicTextSpanner** (page 428), **Fingering** (page 432), **Footnote** (page 435), **HorizontalBracketText** (page 444), **InstrumentName** (page 445), **InstrumentSwitch** (page 446), **JumpScript** (page 447), **LyricText** (page 462), **MeasureCounter** (page 464), **MeasureSpanner** (page 467), **MetronomeMark** (page 469), **MultiMeasureRestNumber** (page 472), **MultiMeasureRestText** (page 475), **NoteName** (page 480), **OttavaBracket** (page 481), **PercentRepeatCounter** (page 485), **RehearsalMark** (page 489), **SectionLabel** (page 496), **SegnoMark** (page 498), **SostenutoPedal** (page 502), **StaffEllipsis** (page 507), **StanzaNumber** (page 511), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), **SustainPedal** (page 518), **TabNoteHead** (page 525), **TextScript** (page 527), **TupletNumber** (page 541), **UnaCordaPedal** (page 542), and **VoltaBracket** (page 548).

3.2.146 text-script-interface

An object that is put above or below a note.

User settable properties:

avoid-slur (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

script-priority (number)

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

Internal properties:

slur (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Slur** object.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **BendSpanner** (page 391), **CombineTextScript** (page 407), **Fingering** (page 432), **StringNumber** (page 515), **StrokeFinger** (page 517), and **TextScript** (page 527).

3.2.147 tie-column-interface

Object that sets directions of multiple ties in a tied chord.

User settable properties:**tie-configuration** (list)

List of (*position* . *dir*) pairs, indicating the desired tie configuration, where *position* is the offset from the center of the staff in staff space and *dir* indicates the direction of the tie (1=>up, -1=>down, 0=>center). A non-pair entry in the list causes the corresponding tie to be formatted automatically.

Internal properties:**positioning-done** (boolean)

Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.

ties (array of grobs)

A grob array of **Tie** objects.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **TieColumn** (page 532).

3.2.148 tie-interface

A tie - a horizontal curve connecting two noteheads.

The following properties may be set in the **details** list.

height-limit

The maximum height allowed for this tie.

ratio

Parameter for tie shape. The higher this number, the quicker the slur attains its height-limit.

between-length-limit

This detail is currently unused.

wrong-direction-offset-penalty

Demerit for ties that are offset in the wrong direction.

min-length

If the tie is shorter than this amount (in staff-spaces) an increasingly large length penalty is incurred.

min-length-penalty-factor

Demerit factor for tie lengths shorter than **min-length**.

center-staff-line-clearance

If the center of the tie is closer to a staff line than this amount, an increasingly large staff line collision penalty is incurred.

tip-staff-line-clearance

If the tips of the tie are closer to a staff line than this amount, an increasingly large staff line collision penalty is incurred.

staff-line-collision-penalty

Demerit factor for ties whose tips or center come close to staff lines.

dot-collision-clearance

If the tie comes closer to a dot than this amount, an increasingly large dot collision penalty is incurred.

dot-collision-penalty

Demerit factor for ties which come close to dots.

note-head-gap

The distance (in staff-spaces) by which the ends of the tie are offset horizontally from the center line through the note head.

stem-gap The distance (in staff-spaces) by which the ends of the tie are offset horizontally from a stem which is on the same side of the note head as the tie.

tie-column-monotonicity-penalty

Demerit if the y-position of this tie in the set of ties being considered is less than the y-position of the previous tie.

tie-tie-collision-distance

If this tie is closer than this amount to the previous tie in the set being considered, an increasingly large tie-tie collision penalty is incurred.

tie-tie-collision-penalty

Demerit factor for a tie in the set being considered which is close to the previous one.

horizontal-distance-penalty-factor

Demerit factor for ties in the set being considered which are horizontally distant from the note heads.

vertical-distance-penalty-factor

Demerit factor for ties in the set being considered which are vertically distant from the note heads.

same-dir-as-stem-penalty

Demerit if tie is on the same side as a stem or on the opposite side to the one specified.

intra-space-threshold

If the tie's height (in half staff-spaces) is less than this it is positioned between two adjacent staff lines; otherwise it is positioned to straddle a staff line further from the note heads.

outer-tie-length-symmetry-penalty-factor

Demerit factor for ties horizontally positioned unsymmetrically with respect to the two note heads.

outer-tie-vertical-distance-symmetry-penalty-factor

Demerit factor for ties vertically positioned unsymmetrically with respect to the two note heads.

outer-tie-vertical-gap

Amount (in half staff-spaces) by which a tie is moved away from the note heads if it is closer to either of them than 0.25 half staff-spaces.

skyline-padding

Padding of the skylines around note heads in chords.

single-tie-region-size

The number of candidate ties to generate when only a single tie is required. Successive candidates differ in their initial vertical position by half a staff-space.

multi-tie-region-size

The number of variations that are tried for the extremal ties in a chord. Variations differ in their initial vertical position by half a staff-space.

User settable properties:**avoid-slur** (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

control-points (list of number pairs)

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

dash-definition (pair)

List of **dash-elements** defining the dash structure. Each **dash-element** has a starting t value, an ending t-value, a **dash-fraction**, and a **dash-period**.

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

head-direction (direction)

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

line-thickness (number)

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

neutral-direction (direction)

Which direction to take in the center of the staff.

staff-position (number)

Vertical position, measured in half staff spaces, counted from the middle line.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve’s outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

Internal properties:**annotation** (string)

Annotate a grob for debug purposes.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): **LaissezVibrerTie** (page 455), **RepeatTie** (page 492), and **Tie** (page 530).

3.2.149 time-signature-interface

A time signature, in different styles. The following values for `style` are recognized:

- `C` 4/4 and 2/2 are typeset as C and struck C, respectively. All other time signatures are written with two digits. The value `default` is equivalent to C.
- `neomensural` 2/2, 3/2, 2/4, 3/4, 4/4, 6/4, 9/4, 4/8, 6/8, and 9/8 are typeset with neo-mensural style mensuration marks. All other time signatures are written with two digits.
- `mensural` 2/2, 3/2, 2/4, 3/4, 4/4, 6/4, 9/4, 4/8, 6/8, and 9/8 are typeset with mensural style mensuration marks. All other time signatures are written with two digits.
- `single-digit` All time signatures are typeset with a single digit, e.g., 3/2 is written as 3.
- `numbered` All time signatures are typeset with two digits.

User settable properties:

- `fraction` (fraction, as pair)
Numerator and denominator of a time signature object.
- `style` (symbol)
This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the `stencil` callback reading this property.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `TimeSignature` (page 532).

3.2.150 trill-pitch-accidental-interface

An accidental for trill pitch.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `TrillPitchAccidental` (page 534).

3.2.151 trill-spanner-interface

A trill spanner.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `TrillSpanner` (page 538).

3.2.152 tuplet-bracket-interface

A bracket with a number in the middle, used for tuplets. When the bracket spans a line break, the value of `break-overshoot` determines how far it extends beyond the staff. At a line break, the markups in the `edge-text` are printed at the edges.

User settable properties:

- `avoid-scripts` (boolean)
If set, a tuplet bracket avoids the scripts associated with the note heads it encompasses.
- `bracket-flare` (pair of numbers)
A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.
- `bracket-visibility` (boolean or symbol)
This controls the visibility of the tuplet bracket. Setting it to false prevents printing of the bracket. Setting the property to `if-no-beam` makes it print only if there is no beam associated with this tuplet bracket.

break-overshoot (pair of numbers)

How much does a broken spanner stick out of its bounds?

connect-to-neighbor (pair)

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

dashed-edge (boolean)

If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed LEFT, CENTER or RIGHT with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed UP, CENTER or DOWN. Numerical values may also be used: UP=1, DOWN=-1, LEFT=-1, RIGHT=1, CENTER=0.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

edge-text (pair)

A pair specifying the texts to be set at the edges: (*left-text* . *right-text*).

full-length-padding (number)

How much padding to use at the right side of a full-length tuplet bracket.

full-length-to-extent (boolean)

Run to the extent of the column for a full-length tuplet bracket.

gap (dimension, in staff space)

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

positions (pair of numbers)

Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

tuplet-slur (boolean)

Draw a slur instead of a bracket for tuplets.

X-positions (pair of numbers)

Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left* . *right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

Internal properties:

- `note-columns` (array of grobs)
An array of `NoteColumn` grobs.
- `scripts` (array of grobs)
An array of `Script` objects.
- `tuplet-number` (graphical (layout) object)
The number for a bracket.
- `tuplets` (array of grobs)
An array of smaller tuplet brackets.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `LigatureBracket` (page 459), and `TupletBracket` (page 539).

3.2.153 tuplet-number-interface

The number for a bracket.

User settable properties:

- `avoid-slur` (symbol)
Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are `inside`, `outside`, `around`, and `ignore`. `inside` adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. `outside` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. `around` moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. `ignore` does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), `outside` and `around` behave like `ignore`.
- `direction` (direction)
If `side-axis` is 0 (or X), then this property determines whether the object is placed `LEFT`, `CENTER` or `RIGHT` with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed `UP`, `CENTER` or `DOWN`. Numerical values may also be used: `UP=1`, `DOWN=-1`, `LEFT=-1`, `RIGHT=1`, `CENTER=0`.
- `knee-to-beam` (boolean)
Determines whether a tuplet number will be positioned next to a kneed beam.

Internal properties:

- `bracket` (graphical (layout) object)
The bracket for a number.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `TupletNumber` (page 541).

3.2.154 unbreakable-spanner-interface

A spanner that should not be broken across line breaks. Override with `breakable=##t`.

User settable properties:

- `breakable` (boolean)
Allow breaks here.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): `Beam` (page 388), `DurationLine` (page 423), and `Glissando` (page 438).

3.2.155 vaticana-ligature-interface

A vaticana style Gregorian ligature.

User settable properties:

- glyph-name** (string)
The glyph name within the font.
In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of *glyph*, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.
- thickness** (number)
For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

- add-cauda** (boolean)
Does this flexa require an additional cauda on the left side?
- add-join** (boolean)
Is this ligature head-joined with the next one by a vertical line?
- add-stem** (boolean)
Is this ligature head a virga and therefore needs an additional stem on the right side?
- delta-position** (number)
The vertical position difference.
- flexa-height** (dimension, in staff space)
The height of a flexa shape in a ligature grob (in *staff-space* units).
- flexa-width** (dimension, in staff space)
The width of a flexa shape in a ligature grob (in *staff-space* units).
- x-offset** (dimension, in staff space)
Extra horizontal offset for ligature heads.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *NoteHead* (page 479), and *VaticanaLigature* (page 544).

3.2.156 volta-bracket-interface

Volta bracket with number.

User settable properties:

- dashed-edge** (boolean)
If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.
- height** (dimension, in staff space)
Height of an object in *staff-space* units.
- shorten-pair** (pair of numbers)
The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

Internal properties:

bars (array of grobs)

An array of bar line pointers.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *VoltaBracket* (page 548).

3.2.157 volta-interface

A volta repeat.

This grob interface is used in the following graphical object(s): *VoltaBracket* (page 548), and *VoltaBracketSpanner* (page 549).

3.3 User backend properties

add-stem-support (boolean)

If set, the *Stem* object is included in this script's support.

after-line-breaking (boolean)

Dummy property, used to trigger callback for *after-line-breaking*.

align-dir (direction)

Which side to align? -1: left side, 0: around center of width, 1: right side.

allow-loose-spacing (boolean)

If set, column can be detached from main spacing.

allow-span-bar (boolean)

If false, no inter-staff bar line will be created below this bar line.

alteration (number)

Alteration numbers for accidental.

alteration-alist (list)

List of (*pitch* . *accidental*) pairs for key signature.

alteration-glyph-name-alist (list)

An alist of key-string pairs.

annotation-balloon (boolean)

Print the balloon around an annotation.

annotation-line (boolean)

Print the line from an annotation to the grob that it annotates.

arpeggio-direction (direction)

If set, put an arrow on the arpeggio squiggly line.

arrow-length (number)

Arrow length.

arrow-width (number)

Arrow width.

auto-knee-gap (dimension, in staff space)

If a gap is found between note heads where a horizontal beam fits and it is larger than this number, make a kneed beam.

automatically-numbered (boolean)

If set, footnotes are automatically numbered.

average-spacing-wishes (boolean)

If set, the spacing wishes are averaged over staves.

avoid-note-head (boolean)

If set, the stem of a chord does not pass through all note heads, but starts at the last note head.

avoid-scripts (boolean)

If set, a tuplet bracket avoids the scripts associated with the note heads it encompasses.

avoid-slur (symbol)

Method of handling slur collisions. Choices are **inside**, **outside**, **around**, and **ignore**. **inside** adjusts the slur if needed to keep the grob inside the slur. **outside** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur. **around** moves the grob vertically to the outside of the slur only if there is a collision. **ignore** does not move either. In grobs whose notational significance depends on vertical position (such as accidentals, clefs, etc.), **outside** and **around** behave like **ignore**.

axes (list) List of axis numbers. In the case of alignment grobs, this should contain only one number.

bar-extent (pair of numbers)

The Y-extent of the actual bar line. This may differ from **Y-extent** because it does not include the dots in a repeat bar line.

base-shortest-duration (moment)

Spacing is based on the shortest notes in a piece. Normally, pieces are spaced as if notes at least as short as this are present.

baseline-skip (dimension, in staff space)

Distance between base lines of multiple lines of text.

beam-thickness (dimension, in staff space)

Beam thickness, measured in **staff-space** units.

beam-width (dimension, in staff space)

Width of the tremolo sign.

beamed-stem-shorten (list)

How much to shorten beamed stems, when their direction is forced. It is a list, since the value is different depending on the number of flags and beams.

beaming (pair)

Pair of number lists. Each number list specifies which beams to make. 0 is the central beam, 1 is the next beam toward the note, etc. This information is used to determine how to connect the beaming patterns from stem to stem inside a beam.

beamlet-default-length (pair)

A pair of numbers. The first number specifies the default length of a beamlet that sticks out of the left hand side of this stem; the second number specifies the default length of the beamlet to the right. The actual length of a beamlet is determined by taking either the default length or the length specified by **beamlet-max-length-proportion**, whichever is smaller.

beamlet-max-length-proportion (pair)

The maximum length of a beamlet, as a proportion of the distance between two adjacent stems.

before-line-breaking (boolean)

Dummy property, used to trigger a callback function.

bend-me (boolean)

Decide whether this grob is bent.

between-cols (pair)

Where to attach a loose column to.

bound-details (list)

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

bound-padding (number)

The amount of padding to insert around spanner bounds.

bracket-flare (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers specifying how much edges of brackets should slant outward. Value 0.0 means straight edges.

bracket-visibility (boolean or symbol)

This controls the visibility of the tuplet bracket. Setting it to false prevents printing of the bracket. Setting the property to `if-no-beam` makes it print only if there is no beam associated with this tuplet bracket.

break-align-anchor (number)

Grobs aligned to this breakable item will have their X-offsets shifted by this number. In bar lines, for example, this is used to position grobs relative to the (visual) center of the bar line.

break-align-anchor-alignment (number)

Read by `ly:break-aligned-interface::calc-extent-aligned-anchor` for aligning an anchor to a grob's extent.

break-align-orders (vector)

This is a vector of 3 lists: `#(end-of-line unbroken start-of-line)`. Each list contains *break-align symbols* that specify an order of breakable items (see Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*).

For example, this places time signatures before clefs:

```
\override Score.BreakAlignment.break-align-orders =
  #(make-vector 3 '(left-edge
                    cue-end-clef
                    ambitus
                    breathing-sign
                    time-signature
                    clef
                    cue-clef
                    staff-bar
                    key-cancellation
                    key-signature
                    custos))
```

break-align-symbol (symbol)

This key is used for aligning, ordering, and spacing breakable items. See Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-align-symbols (list)

A list of *break-align symbols* that determines which breakable items to align this to. If the grob selected by the first symbol in the list is invisible due to **break-visibility**, we will align to the next grob (and so on). Choices are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

break-overshoot (pair of numbers)

How much does a broken spanner stick out of its bounds?

break-visibility (vector)

A vector of 3 booleans, `#{end-of-line unbroken begin-of-line}`. `#t` means visible, `#f` means killed.

breakable (boolean)

Allow breaks here.

broken-bound-padding (number)

The amount of padding to insert when a spanner is broken at a line break.

chord-dots-limit (integer)

Limits the column of dots on each chord to the height of the chord plus **chord-dots-limit** staff-positions.

circled-tip (boolean)

Put a circle at start/end of hairpins (al/del niente).

clef-alignments (list)

An alist of parent-alignments that should be used for clef modifiers with various clefs

clip-edges (boolean)

Allow outward pointing beamlets at the edges of beams?

collapse-height (dimension, in staff space)

Minimum height of system start delimiter. If equal or smaller, the bracket/brace/line is removed.

collision-interfaces (list)

A list of interfaces for which automatic beam-collision resolution is run.

collision-voice-only (boolean)

Does automatic beam collision apply only to the voice in which the beam was created?

color (color)

The color of this grob.

common-shortest-duration (moment)

The most common shortest note length. This is used in spacing. Enlarging this sets the score tighter.

concaveness (number)

A beam is concave if its inner stems are closer to the beam than the two outside stems. This number is a measure of the closeness of the inner stems. It is used for damping the slope of the beam.

connect-to-neighbor (pair)

Pair of booleans, indicating whether this grob looks as a continued break.

control-points (list of number pairs)

List of offsets (number pairs) that form control points for the tie, slur, or bracket shape. For Béziers, this should list the control points of a third-order Bézier curve.

count-from (integer)

The first measure in a measure count receives this number. The following measures are numbered in increments from this initial value.

damping (number)

Amount of beam slope damping.

dash-definition (pair)

List of **dash-elements** defining the dash structure. Each **dash-element** has a starting *t* value, an ending *t*-value, a **dash-fraction**, and a **dash-period**.

dash-fraction (number)

Size of the dashes, relative to **dash-period**. Should be between 0.1 and 1.0 (continuous line). If set to 0.0, a dotted line is produced

dash-period (number)

The length of one dash together with whitespace. If negative, no line is drawn at all.

dashed-edge (boolean)

If set, the bracket edges are dashed like the rest of the bracket.

default-direction (direction)

Direction determined by note head positions.

default-staff-staff-spacing (list)

The settings to use for **staff-staff-spacing** when it is unset, for ungrouped staves and for grouped staves that do not have the relevant **StaffGrouper** property set (**staff-staff-spacing** or **staffgroup-staff-spacing**).

details (list)

Alist of parameters for detailed grob behavior. More information on the allowed parameters for a grob can be found by looking at the top of the Internals Reference page for each interface having a **details** property.

digit-names (vector)

Names for string finger digits.

direction (direction)

If **side-axis** is 0 (or **X**), then this property determines whether the object is placed **LEFT**, **CENTER** or **RIGHT** with respect to the other object. Otherwise, it determines whether the object is placed **UP**, **CENTER** or **DOWN**. Numerical values may also be used: **UP**=1, **DOWN**=-1, **LEFT**=-1, **RIGHT**=1, **CENTER**=0.

dot-count (integer)

The number of dots.

dot-negative-kern (number)

The space to remove between a dot and a slash in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

dot-placement-list (list)

List consisting of (*description string-number fret-number finger-number*) entries used to define fret diagrams.

double-stem-separation (number)

The distance between the two stems of a half note in tablature when using **\tabFullNotation**, not counting the width of the stems themselves, expressed as a multiple of the default height of a staff-space in the traditional five-line staff.

duration-log (integer)

The 2-log of the note head duration, i.e., 0 = whole note, 1 = half note, etc.

eccentricity (number)

How asymmetrical to make a slur. Positive means move the center to the right.

edge-height (pair)

A pair of numbers specifying the heights of the vertical edges: (*left-height* . *right-height*).

edge-text (pair)

A pair specifying the texts to be set at the edges: (*left-text* . *right-text*).

endpoint-alignments (pair of numbers)

A pair of numbers representing the alignments of an object's endpoints. E.g., the ends of a hairpin relative to `NoteColumn` grobs.

expand-limit (integer)

Maximum number of measures expanded in church rests.

extra-dy (number)

Slope glissandi this much extra.

extra-offset (pair of numbers)

A pair representing an offset. This offset is added just before outputting the symbol, so the typesetting engine is completely oblivious to it. The values are measured in `staff-space` units of the staff's `StaffSymbol`.

extra-spacing-height (pair of numbers)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we increase the height of each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' to the bottom of the item and adding the 'cdr' to the top of the item). In order to make a grob infinitely high (to prevent the horizontal spacing problem from placing any other grobs above or below this grob), set this to (`-inf.0` . `+inf.0`).

extra-spacing-width (pair of numbers)

In the horizontal spacing problem, we pad each item by this amount (by adding the 'car' on the left side of the item and adding the 'cdr' on the right side of the item). In order to make a grob take up no horizontal space at all, set this to (`+inf.0` . `-inf.0`).

extroversion (number)

For polygons, how the thickness of the line is spread on each side of the exact polygon with ideal zero thickness. If this is 0, the middle of line is on the polygon. If 1, the line sticks out of the polygon. If -1, the outer side of the line is exactly on the polygon. Other numeric values are interpolated.

filled (boolean)

Whether an object is filled with ink.

flag-count (number)

The number of tremolo beams.

flag-style (symbol)

The style of the flag to be used with `MetronomeMark`. Available are 'modern-straight-flag', 'old-straight-flag', 'flat-flag', 'mensural' and 'default'.

flat-positions (list)

Flats in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the

staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

font-encoding (symbol)

The font encoding is the broadest category for selecting a font. Currently, only LilyPond's system fonts (Emmentaler) are using this property. Available values are **fetaMusic** (Emmentaler), **fetaBraces**, **fetaText** (Emmentaler).

font-family (symbol)

The font family is the broadest category for selecting text fonts. Options include: **sans**, **roman**.

font-features (list)

Opentype features.

font-name (string)

Specifies a file name (without extension) of the font to load. This setting overrides selection using **font-family**, **font-series** and **font-shape**.

font-series (symbol)

Select the series of a font. Choices include **medium**, **bold**, **bold-narrow**, etc.

font-shape (symbol)

Select the shape of a font. Choices include **upright**, **italic**, **caps**.

font-size (number)

The font size, compared to the 'normal' size. 0 is style-sheet's normal size, -1 is smaller, +1 is bigger. Each step of 1 is approximately 12% larger; 6 steps are exactly a factor 2 larger. If the context property **fontSize** is set, its value is added to this before the glyph is printed. Fractional values are allowed.

footnote (boolean)

Should this be a footnote or in-note?

footnote-music (music)

Music creating a footnote.

footnote-text (markup)

A footnote for the grob.

force-hshift (number)

This specifies a manual shift for notes in collisions. The unit is the note head width of the first voice note. This is used by Section "note-collision-interface" in *Internals Reference*.

forced-spacing (number)

Spacing forced between grobs, used in various ligature engravers.

fraction (fraction, as pair)

Numerator and denominator of a time signature object.

french-beaming (boolean)

Use French beaming style for this stem. The stem stops at the innermost beams.

fret-diagram-details (list)

An alist of detailed grob properties for fret diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (**property** . **value**) pair. The properties which can be included in **fret-diagram-details** include the following:

- **barre-type** – Type of barre indication used. Choices include **curved**, **straight**, and **none**. Default **curved**.

- **capo-thickness** – Thickness of capo indicator, in multiples of fret-space. Default value 0.5.
- **dot-color** – Color of dots. Options include **black** and **white**. Default **black**.
- **dot-label-font-mag** – Magnification for font used to label fret dots. Default value 1.
- **dot-position** – Location of dot in fret space. Default 0.6 for dots without labels, 0.95-dot-radius for dots with labels.
- **dot-radius** – Radius of dots, in terms of fret spaces. Default value 0.425 for labeled dots, 0.25 for unlabeled dots.
- **finger-code** – Code for the type of fingering indication used. Options include **none**, **in-dot**, and **below-string**. Default **none** for markup fret diagrams, **below-string** for FretBoards fret diagrams.
- **fret-count** – The number of frets. Default 4.
- **fret-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between frets. Default 1.0.
- **fret-label-custom-format** – The format string to be used label the lowest fret number, when **number-type** equals to **custom**. Default **"~a"**.
- **fret-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label the lowest fret number. Default 0.5.
- **fret-label-vertical-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction parallel to strings. Default 0.
- **fret-label-horizontal-offset** – The offset of the fret label from the center of the fret in direction orthogonal to strings. Default 0.
- **handedness** – Print the fret-diagram left- or right-handed. -1, **LEFT** for left ; 1, **RIGHT** for right. Default **RIGHT**.
- **paren-padding** – The padding for the parenthesis. Default 0.05.
- **label-dir** – Side to which the fret label is attached. -1, **LEFT**, or **DOWN** for left or down; 1, **RIGHT**, or **UP** for right or up. Default **RIGHT**.
- **mute-string** – Character string to be used to indicate muted string. Default **"x"**.
- **number-type** – Type of numbers to use in fret label. Choices include **roman-lower**, **roman-upper**, **arabic** and **custom**. In the later case, the format string is supplied by the **fret-label-custom-format** property. Default **roman-lower**.
- **open-string** – Character string to be used to indicate open string. Default **"o"**.
- **orientation** – Orientation of fret-diagram. Options include **normal**, **landscape**, and **opposing-landscape**. Default **normal**.
- **string-count** – The number of strings. Default 6.
- **string-distance** – Multiplier to adjust the distance between strings. Default 1.0.
- **string-label-font-mag** – The magnification of the font used to label fingerings at the string, rather than in the dot. Default value 0.6 for **normal** orientation, 0.5 for **landscape** and **opposing-landscape**.
- **string-thickness-factor** – Factor for changing thickness of each string in the fret diagram. Thickness of string k is given by **thickness * (1+string-thickness-factor) ^ (k-1)**. Default 0.

- **top-fret-thickness** – The thickness of the top fret line, as a multiple of the standard thickness. Default value 3.
- **xo-font-magnification** – Magnification used for mute and open string indicators. Default value 0.5.
- **xo-padding** – Padding for open and mute indicators from top fret. Default value 0.25.

full-length-padding (number)

How much padding to use at the right side of a full-length tuplet bracket.

full-length-to-extent (boolean)

Run to the extent of the column for a full-length tuplet bracket.

full-measure-extra-space (number)

Extra space that is allocated at the beginning of a measure with only one note. This property is read from the `NonMusicalPaperColumn` that begins the measure.

full-size-change (boolean)

Don't make a change clef smaller.

gap (dimension, in staff space)

Size of a gap in a variable symbol.

gap-count (integer)

Number of gapped beams for tremolo.

glissando-skip (boolean)

Should this `NoteHead` be skipped by glissandi?

glyph (string)

A string determining what 'style' of glyph is typeset. Valid choices depend on the function that is reading this property.

In combination with (span) bar lines, it is a string resembling the bar line appearance in ASCII form.

glyph-name (string)

The glyph name within the font.

In the context of (span) bar lines, *glyph-name* represents a processed form of **glyph**, where decisions about line breaking etc. are already taken.

graphical (boolean)

Display in graphical (vs. text) form.

grow-direction (direction)

Crescendo or decrescendo?

hair-thickness (number)

Thickness of the thin line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to `Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness`).

harp-pedal-details (list)

An alist of detailed grob properties for harp pedal diagrams. Each alist entry consists of a (*property* . *value*) pair. The properties which can be included in harp-pedal-details include the following:

- **box-offset** – Vertical shift of the center of flat/sharp pedal boxes above/below the horizontal line. Default value 0.8.
- **box-width** – Width of each pedal box. Default value 0.4.

- **box-height** – Height of each pedal box. Default value 1.0.
- **space-before-divider** – Space between boxes before the first divider (so that the diagram can be made symmetric). Default value 0.8.
- **space-after-divider** – Space between boxes after the first divider. Default value 0.8.
- **circle-thickness** – Thickness (in unit of the line-thickness) of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.5.
- **circle-x-padding** – Padding in X direction of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.15.
- **circle-y-padding** – Padding in Y direction of the ellipse around circled pedals. Default value 0.2.

head-direction (direction)

Are the note heads left or right in a semitie?

height (dimension, in staff space)

Height of an object in **staff-space** units.

height-limit (dimension, in staff space)

Maximum slur height: The longer the slur, the closer it is to this height.

hide-tied-accidental-after-break (boolean)

If set, an accidental that appears on a tied note after a line break will not be displayed.

horizon-padding (number)

The amount to pad the axis along which a **Skyline** is built for the **side-position-interface**.

horizontal-shift (integer)

An integer that identifies ranking of **NoteColumns** for horizontal shifting. This is used by Section “note-collision-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

horizontal-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one to the left and one to the right of this grob.

id (string)

An id string for the grob.

ignore-ambitus (boolean)

If set, don’t consider this notehead for ambitus calculation.

ignore-collision (boolean)

If set, don’t do note collision resolution on this **NoteColumn**.

implicit (boolean)

Is this an implicit bass figure?

inspect-quants (pair of numbers)

If debugging is set, set beam and slur position to a (quantized) position that is as close as possible to this value, and print the demerits for the inspected position in the output.

keep-inside-line (boolean)

If set, this column cannot have objects sticking into the margin.

kern (dimension, in staff space)

The space between individual elements in any compound bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

knee (boolean)

Is this beam kneed?

knee-spacing-correction (number)

Factor for the optical correction amount for kneed beams. Set between 0 for no correction and 1 for full correction.

knee-to-beam (boolean)

Determines whether a tuplet number will be positioned next to a kneed beam.

labels (list)

List of labels (symbols) placed on a column.

layer (integer)

An integer which determines the order of printing objects. Objects with the lowest value of layer are drawn first, then objects with progressively higher values are drawn, so objects with higher values overwrite objects with lower values. By default most objects are assigned a layer value of 1.

ledger-extra (dimension, in staff space)

Extra distance from staff line to draw ledger lines for.

ledger-line-thickness (pair of numbers)

The thickness of ledger lines. It is the sum of 2 numbers: The first is the factor for line thickness, and the second for staff space. Both contributions are added.

ledger-positions (list)

Vertical positions of ledger lines. When set on a **StaffSymbol** grob it defines a repeating pattern of ledger lines and any parenthesized groups will always be shown together.

ledger-positions-function (any type)

A quoted Scheme procedure that takes a **StaffSymbol** grob and the vertical position of a note head as arguments and returns a list of ledger line positions.

left-bound-info (list)

An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.

left-number-text (markup)

For a measure counter, this is the formatted measure count. When the measure counter extends over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), it is the text on the left side of the dash.

left-padding (dimension, in staff space)

The amount of space that is put left to an object (e.g., a lyric extender).

length (dimension, in staff space)

User override for the stem length of unbeamed stems (each unit represents half a **staff-space**).

length-fraction (number)

Multiplier for lengths. Used for determining ledger lines and stem lengths.

line-break-penalty (number)

Penalty for a line break at this column. This affects the choices of the line breaker; it avoids a line break at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a line break at a column with a negative penalty.

line-break-permission (symbol)

Instructs the line breaker on whether to put a line break at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.

line-break-system-details (list)

An alist of properties to use if this column is the start of a system.

line-count (integer)

The number of staff lines.

line-positions (list)

Vertical positions of staff lines.

line-thickness (number)

For slurs and ties, this is the diameter of the virtual “pen” that draws the two arcs of the curve’s outline, which intersect at the endpoints. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to *Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness*).

long-text (markup)

Text markup. See Section “Formatting text” in *Notation Reference*.

main-extent (pair of numbers)

The horizontal extent of a *NoteColumn* grob without taking suspended *NoteHead* grobs into account (i.e., *NoteHeads* forced into the unnatural direction of the *Stem* because of a chromatic clash).

max-beam-connect (integer)

Maximum number of beams to connect to beams from this stem. Further beams are typeset as beamlets.

max-symbol-separation (number)

The maximum distance between symbols making up a church rest.

maximum-gap (number)

Maximum value allowed for *gap* property.

measure-count (integer)

The number of measures for a multi-measure rest.

measure-length (moment)

Length of a measure. Used in some spacing situations.

merge-differently-dotted (boolean)

Merge note heads in collisions, even if they have a different number of dots. This is normal notation for some types of polyphonic music.

merge-differently-dotted only applies to opposing stem directions (i.e., voice 1 & 2).

merge-differently-headed (boolean)

Merge note heads in collisions, even if they have different note heads. The smaller of the two heads is rendered invisible. This is used in polyphonic guitar notation. The value of this setting is used by Section “note-collision-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

merge-differently-headed only applies to opposing stem directions (i.e., voice 1 & 2).

minimum-distance (dimension, in staff space)

Minimum distance between rest and notes or beam.

minimum-length (dimension, in staff space)

Try to make a spanner at least this long, normally in the horizontal direction. This requires an appropriate callback for the *springs-and-rods* property. If added to a *Tie*, this sets the minimum distance between noteheads.

- minimum-length-after-break** (dimension, in staff space)
If set, try to make a broken spanner starting a line this long. This requires an appropriate callback for the **springs-and-rods** property. If added to a **Tie**, this sets the minimum distance to the notehead.
- minimum-length-fraction** (number)
Minimum length of ledger line as fraction of note head size.
- minimum-space** (dimension, in staff space)
Minimum distance that the victim should move (after padding).
- minimum-X-extent** (pair of numbers)
Minimum size of an object in X dimension, measured in **staff-space** units.
- minimum-Y-extent** (pair of numbers)
Minimum size of an object in Y dimension, measured in **staff-space** units.
- neutral-direction** (direction)
Which direction to take in the center of the staff.
- neutral-position** (number)
Position (in half staff spaces) where to flip the direction of custos stem.
- next** (graphical (layout) object)
Object that is next relation (e.g., the lyric syllable following an extender).
- no-ledgers** (boolean)
If set, don't draw ledger lines on this object.
- no-stem-extend** (boolean)
If set, notes with ledger lines do not get stems extending to the middle staff line.
- non-break-align-symbols** (list)
A list of symbols that determine which NON-break-aligned interfaces to align this to.
- non-default** (boolean)
Set for manually specified clefs and keys.
- non-musical** (boolean)
True if the grob belongs to a **NonMusicalPaperColumn**.
- nonstaff-nonstaff-spacing** (list)
The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the next non-staff line in the direction of **staff-affinity**, if both are on the same side of the related staff, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.
- nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing** (list)
The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the nearest staff in the direction of **staff-affinity**, if there are no non-staff lines between the two, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. If **staff-affinity** is **CENTER**, then **nonstaff-relatedstaff-spacing** is used for the nearest staves on *both* sides, even if other non-staff lines appear between the current one and either of the staves. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.
- nonstaff-unrelatedstaff-spacing** (list)
The spacing alist controlling the distance between the current non-staff line and the nearest staff in the opposite direction from **staff-affinity**, if there are no other non-staff lines between the two, and **staff-affinity** is either UP or DOWN. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

normalized-endpoints (pair)

Represents left and right placement over the total spanner, where the width of the spanner is normalized between 0 and 1.

note-collision-threshold (dimension, in staff space)

Simultaneous notes that are this close or closer in units of **staff-space** will be identified as vertically colliding. Used by **Stem** grobs for notes in the same voice, and **NoteCollision** grobs for notes in different voices. Default value 1.

note-names (vector)

Vector of strings containing names for easy-notation note heads.

number-range-separator (markup)

For a measure counter extending over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), this is the separator between the two printed numbers.

number-type (symbol)

Numbering style. Choices include **roman-lower**, **roman-upper** and **arabic**.

output-attributes (list)

An alist of attributes for the grob, to be included in output files. When the SVG typesetting backend is used, the attributes are assigned to a group (<g>) containing all of the stencils that comprise a given grob. For example,

```
'((id . 123) (class . foo) (data-whatever . "bar"))
```

produces

```
<g id="123" class="foo" data-whatever="bar"> ... </g>
```

In the Postscript backend, where there is no way to group items, the setting of the **output-attributes** property has no effect.

outside-staff-horizontal-padding (number)

By default, an outside-staff-object can be placed so that it is very close to another grob horizontally. If this property is set, the outside-staff-object is raised so that it is not so close to its neighbor.

outside-staff-padding (number)

The padding to place between grobs when spacing according to **outside-staff-priority**. Two grobs with different **outside-staff-padding** values have the larger value of padding between them.

outside-staff-placement-directive (symbol)

One of four directives telling how outside staff objects should be placed.

- **left-to-right-greedy** – Place each successive grob from left to right.
- **left-to-right-polite** – Place a grob from left to right only if it does not potentially overlap with another grob that has been placed on a pass through a grob array. If there is overlap, do another pass to determine placement.
- **right-to-left-greedy** – Same as **left-to-right-greedy**, but from right to left.
- **right-to-left-polite** – Same as **left-to-right-polite**, but from right to left.

outside-staff-priority (number)

If set, the grob is positioned outside the staff in such a way as to avoid all collisions. In case of a potential collision, the grob with the smaller **outside-staff-priority** is closer to the staff.

packed-spacing (boolean)

If set, the notes are spaced as tightly as possible.

padding (dimension, in staff space)

Add this much extra space between objects that are next to each other.

padding-pairs (list)

An alist of padding pairs for key signatures (and key cancellations). Each alist entry has the form

((left-glyph-name . right-glyph-name) . dist)

specifying the padding *dist* between two adjacent key signature elements. If there is no entry in the alist for a given pair, the padding value given by the **padding** property of the **KeySignature** (or **KeyCancellation**) grob is used instead.

A special feature is the handling of adjacent naturals (to be more precise, the handling of glyph **accidentals.natural**): If there is no ‘natural-natural’ entry in **padding-pairs** explicitly overriding it, LilyPond adds some extra padding (in addition to the grob’s **padding** value) to avoid collisions.

page-break-penalty (number)

Penalty for page break at this column. This affects the choices of the page breaker; it avoids a page break at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a page break at a column with a negative penalty.

page-break-permission (symbol)

Instructs the page breaker on whether to put a page break at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.

page-number (number)

Page number on which this system ends up.

page-turn-penalty (number)

Penalty for a page turn at this column. This affects the choices of the page breaker; it avoids a page turn at a column with a positive penalty and prefers a page turn at a column with a negative penalty.

page-turn-permission (symbol)

Instructs the page breaker on whether to put a page turn at this column. Can be **force** or **allow**.

parent-alignment-X (number)

Specify on which point of the parent the object is aligned. The value **-1** means aligned on parent’s left edge, **0** on center, and **1** right edge, in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the parent’s width. If unset, the value from **self-alignment-X** property will be used.

parent-alignment-Y (number)

Like **parent-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

parenthesis-friends (list)

A list of Grob types, as symbols. When parentheses enclose a Grob that has ‘parenthesis-friends’, the parentheses widen to include any child Grobs with type among ‘parenthesis-friends’.

parenthesis-id (symbol)

When parenthesized grobs created in the same time step have this property, there is one set of parentheses for each group of grobs having the same value.

parenthesized (boolean)

Parenthesize this grob.

- positions** (pair of numbers)
 Pair of staff coordinates (*start* . *end*), where *start* and *end* are vertical positions in **staff-space** units of the current staff. For slurs, this value selects which slur candidate to use; if extreme positions are requested, the closest one is taken.
- prefer-dotted-right** (boolean)
 For note collisions, prefer to shift dotted up-note to the right, rather than shifting just the dot.
- protrusion** (number)
 In an arpeggio bracket, the length of the horizontal edges.
- rank-on-page** (number)
 0-based index of the system on a page.
- ratio** (number)
 Parameter for slur shape. The higher this number, the quicker the slur attains its **height-limit**.
- remove-empty** (boolean)
 If set, remove group if it contains no interesting items.
- remove-first** (boolean)
 Remove the first staff of an orchestral score?
- remove-layer** (index or symbol)
 When set as a positive integer, the **Keep_alive_together_engraver** removes all **VerticalAxisGroup** grobs with a **remove-layer** larger than the smallest retained **remove-layer**. Set to **#f** to make a layer independent of the **Keep_alive_together_engraver**. Set to **'()**, the layer does not participate in the layering decisions. The property can also be set as a symbol for common behaviors: **#'any** to keep the layer alive with any other layer in the group; **#'above** or **#'below** to keep the layer alive with the context immediately before or after it, respectively.
- replacement-alist** (list)
 Alist of strings. The key is a string of the pattern to be replaced. The value is a string of what should be displayed. Useful for ligatures.
- restore-first** (boolean)
 Print a natural before the accidental.
- rhythmic-location** (rhythmic location)
 Where (bar number, measure position) in the score.
- right-bound-info** (list)
 An alist of properties for determining attachments of spanners to edges.
- right-number-text** (markup)
 When the measure counter extends over several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), this is the text on the right side of the dash. Usually unset.
- right-padding** (dimension, in staff space)
 Space to insert on the right side of an object (e.g., between note and its accidentals).
- rotation** (list)
 Number of degrees to rotate this object, and what point to rotate around. For example, **'(45 0 0)** rotates by 45 degrees around the center of this object.
- round-up-exceptions** (list)
 A list of pairs where car is the numerator and cdr the denominator of a moment. Each pair in this list means that the multi-measure rests of the corresponding length will be rounded up to the longer rest. See *round-up-to-longer-rest*.

round-up-to-longer-rest (boolean)

Displays the longer multi-measure rest when the length of a measure is between two values of **usable-duration-logs**. For example, displays a breve instead of a whole in a 3/2 measure.

rounded (boolean)

Decide whether lines should be drawn rounded or not.

same-direction-correction (number)

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. This amount is used for stems with the same direction to compensate for note head to stem distance.

script-priority (number)

A key for determining the order of scripts in a stack, by being added to the position of the script in the user input, the sum being the overall priority. Smaller means closer to the head.

segno-kern (number)

The space between the two thin lines of the segno bar line symbol, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

self-alignment-X (number)

Specify alignment of an object. The value -1 means left aligned, 0 centered, and 1 right-aligned in X direction. Other numerical values may also be specified - the unit is half the object width.

self-alignment-Y (number)

Like **self-alignment-X** but for the Y axis.

shape (symbol)

This setting determines what shape a grob has. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

sharp-positions (list)

Sharps in key signatures are placed within the specified ranges of staff-positions. The general form is a list of pairs, with one pair for each type of clef, in order of the staff-position at which each clef places C: (**alto treble tenor soprano baritone mezzosoprano bass**). If the list contains a single element it applies for all clefs. A single number in place of a pair sets accidentals within the octave ending at that staff-position.

shorten-pair (pair of numbers)

The lengths to shorten on both sides a hairpin or text-spanner such as a pedal bracket. Positive values shorten the hairpin or text-spanner, while negative values lengthen it.

shortest-duration-space (number)

Start with this multiple of **spacing-increment** space for the shortest duration. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

shortest-playing-duration (moment)

The duration of the shortest note playing here.

shortest-starter-duration (moment)

The duration of the shortest note that starts here.

show-control-points (boolean)

For grobs printing Bézier curves, setting this property to true causes the control points and control polygon to be drawn on the page for ease of tweaking.

show-horizontal-skylines (boolean)

If true, print this grob's horizontal skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.

show-vertical-skylines (boolean)

If true, print this grob's vertical skylines. This is meant for debugging purposes.

side-axis (number)

If the value is **X** (or equivalently 0), the object is placed horizontally next to the other object. If the value is **Y** or 1, it is placed vertically.

side-relative-direction (direction)

Multiply direction of **direction-source** with this to get the direction of this object.

size (number)

The ratio of the size of the object to its default size.

skip-quanting (boolean)

Should beam quanting be skipped?

skyline-horizontal-padding (number)

For determining the vertical distance between two staves, it is possible to have a configuration which would result in a tight interleaving of grobs from the top staff and the bottom staff. The larger this parameter is, the farther apart the staves are placed in such a configuration.

skyline-vertical-padding (number)

The amount by which the left and right skylines of a column are padded vertically, beyond the **Y-extents** and **extra-spacing-heights** of the constituent grobs in the column. Increase this to prevent interleaving of grobs from adjacent columns.

slash-negative-kern (number)

The space to remove between slashes in percent repeat glyphs. Larger values bring the two elements closer together.

slope (number)

The slope of this object.

slur-padding (number)

Extra distance between slur and script.

snap-radius (number)

The maximum distance between two objects that will cause them to snap to alignment along an axis.

space-alist (list)

An alist that specifies distances from this grob to other breakable items, using the format:

```
'((break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  (break-align-symbol . (spacing-style . space))
  ...)
```

Standard choices for **break-align-symbol** are listed in Section “break-alignment-interface” in *Internals Reference*. Additionally, three special break-align symbols available to **space-alist** are:

first-note

used when the grob is just left of the first note on a line

next-note

used when the grob is just left of any other note; if not set, the value of **first-note** gets used

right-edge

used when the grob is the last item on the line (only compatible with the **extra-space** spacing style)

Choices for *spacing-style* are:

extra-space

Put this much space between the two grobs. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed.

minimum-space

Put at least this much space between the left sides of both grobs, without allowing them to collide. The space is stretchable when paired with **first-note** or **next-note**; otherwise it is fixed. Not compatible with **right-edge**.

fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much fixed space between the grob and the note.

minimum-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put at least this much fixed space between the left side of the grob and the left side of the note, without allowing them to collide.

semi-fixed-space

Only compatible with **first-note** and **next-note**. Put this much space between the grob and the note, such that half of the space is fixed and half is stretchable.

Rules for this spacing are much more complicated than this. See [Wanske] page 126–134, [Ross] page 143–147.

space-to-barline (boolean)

If set, the distance between a note and the following non-musical column will be measured to the bar line instead of to the beginning of the non-musical column. If there is a clef change followed by a bar line, for example, this means that we will try to space the non-musical column as though the clef is not there.

spacing-increment (dimension, in staff space)

The unit of length for note-spacing. Typically, the width of a note head. See also Section “spacing-spanner-interface” in *Internals Reference*.

spacing-pair (pair)

A pair of alignment symbols which set an object’s spacing relative to its left and right **BreakAlignments**.

For example, a **MultiMeasureRest** will ignore prefatory items at its bounds (i.e., clefs, key signatures and time signatures) using the following override:

```
\override MultiMeasureRest.spacing-pair =
      #'(staff-bar . staff-bar)
```

spanner-id (index or symbol)

An identifier to distinguish concurrent spanners.

springs-and-rods (boolean)

Dummy variable for triggering spacing routines.

stacking-dir (direction)

Stack objects in which direction?

staff-affinity (direction)

The direction of the staff to use for spacing the current non-staff line. Choices are UP, DOWN, and CENTER. If CENTER, the non-staff line will be placed equidistant between the two nearest staves on either side, unless collisions or other spacing constraints prevent this. Setting **staff-affinity** for a staff causes it to be treated as a non-staff line. Setting **staff-affinity** to #f causes a non-staff line to be treated as a staff.

staff-padding (dimension, in staff space)

Maintain this much space between reference points and the staff. Its effect is to align objects of differing sizes (like the dynamics **p** and **f**) on their baselines.

staff-position (number)

Vertical position, measured in half staff spaces, counted from the middle line.

staff-space (dimension, in staff space)

Amount of space between staff lines, expressed in global **staff-space**.

staff-staff-spacing (list)

When applied to a staff-group's **StaffGrouper** grob, this spacing alist controls the distance between consecutive staves within the staff-group. When applied to a staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob, it controls the distance between the staff and the nearest staff below it in the same system, replacing any settings inherited from the **StaffGrouper** grob of the containing staff-group, if there is one. This property remains in effect even when non-staff lines appear between staves. The alist can contain the following keys:

- **basic-distance** – the vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items when no collisions would result, and no stretching or compressing is in effect.
- **minimum-distance** – the smallest allowable vertical distance, measured in staff-spaces, between the reference points of the two items, when compressing is in effect.
- **padding** – the minimum required amount of unobstructed vertical whitespace between the bounding boxes (or skylines) of the two items, measured in staff-spaces.
- **stretchability** – a unitless measure of the dimension's relative propensity to stretch. If zero, the distance will not stretch (unless collisions would result).

staffgroup-staff-spacing (list)

The spacing alist controlling the distance between the last staff of the current staff-group and the staff just below it in the same system, even if one or more non-staff lines exist between the two staves. If the **staff-staff-spacing** property of the staff's **VerticalAxisGroup** grob is set, that is used instead. See **staff-staff-spacing** for a description of the alist structure.

stem-attachment (pair of numbers)

An (x . y) pair where the stem attaches to the notehead.

stem-begin-position (number)

User override for the begin position of a stem.

stem-spacing-correction (number)

Optical correction amount for stems that are placed in tight configurations. For opposite directions, this amount is the correction for two normal sized stems that overlap completely.

stemlet-length (number)

How long should be a stem over a rest?

stencil (stencil)

The symbol to print.

stencils (list)

Multiple stencils, used as intermediate value.

strict-grace-spacing (boolean)

If set, main notes are spaced normally, then grace notes are put left of the musical columns for the main notes.

strict-note-spacing (boolean)

If set, unbroken columns with non-musical material (clefs, bar lines, etc.) are not spaced separately, but put before musical columns.

stroke-style (string)

Set to "grace" to turn stroke through flag on.

style (symbol)

This setting determines in what style a grob is typeset. Valid choices depend on the **stencil** callback reading this property.

text (markup)

Text markup. See Section "Formatting text" in *Notation Reference*.

text-alignment-X (number)

How to align an annotation horizontally.

text-alignment-Y (number)

How to align an annotation vertically.

text-direction (direction)

This controls the ordering of the words. The default **RIGHT** is for roman text. Arabic or Hebrew should use **LEFT**.

thick-thickness (number)

Thickness of the thick line in a bar line, expressed as a multiple of the default staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is *not* influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

thickness (number)

For grobs made up of lines, this is the thickness of the line. For slurs and ties, this is the distance between the two arcs of the curve's outline at its thickest point, not counting the diameter of the virtual "pen" that draws the arcs. This property is expressed as a multiple of the current staff-line thickness (i.e. the visual output is influenced by changes to **Staff.StaffSymbol.thickness**).

tie-configuration (list)

List of (**position** . **dir**) pairs, indicating the desired tie configuration, where **position** is the offset from the center of the staff in staff space and **dir** indicates the direction of the tie (1=>up, -1=>down, 0=>center). A non-pair entry in the list causes the corresponding tie to be formatted automatically.

to-barline (boolean)

If true, the spanner will stop at the bar line just before it would otherwise stop.

toward-stem-shift (number)

Amount by which scripts are shifted toward the stem if their direction coincides with the stem direction. 0.0 means centered on the note head (the default position of most scripts); 1.0 means centered on the stem. Interpolated values are possible.

toward-stem-shift-in-column (number)

Amount by which a script is shifted toward the stem if its direction coincides with the stem direction and it is associated with a **ScriptColumn** object. 0.0 means centered on the note head (the default position of most scripts); 1.0 means centered on the stem. Interpolated values are possible.

transparent (boolean)

This makes the grob invisible.

tuplet-slur (boolean)

Draw a slur instead of a bracket for tuplets.

uniform-stretching (boolean)

If set, items stretch proportionally to their natural separation based on durations. This looks better in complex polyphonic patterns.

usable-duration-logs (list)

List of **duration-logs** that can be used in typesetting the grob.

use-skylines (boolean)

Should skylines be used for side positioning?

used (boolean)

If set, this spacing column is kept in the spacing problem.

vertical-skylines (pair of skylines)

Two skylines, one above and one below this grob.

voiced-position (number)

The staff-position of a voiced **Rest**, negative if the rest has **direction DOWN**.

when (moment)

Global time step associated with this column.

whiteout (boolean-or-number)

If a number or true, the grob is printed over a white background to white-out underlying material, if the grob is visible. A number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box of the grob as a multiple of the staff-line thickness. The **LyricHyphen** grob uses a special implementation of whiteout: A positive number indicates how far the white background extends beyond the bounding box in multiples of **line-thickness**. The shape of the background is determined by **whiteout-style**. Usually **#f** by default.

whiteout-style (symbol)

Determines the shape of the **whiteout** background. Available are 'outline, 'rounded-box, and the default 'box. There is one exception: Use 'special for **LyricHyphen**.

width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of a grob measured in staff space.

word-space (dimension, in staff space)

Space to insert between words in texts.

X-align-on-main-noteheads (boolean)

If true, this grob will ignore suspended noteheads when aligning itself on `NoteColumn`.

X-attachment (number)

Horizontal attachment of a line on a frame, typically between -1 (left) and 1 (right).

X-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the X direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

X-offset (number)

The horizontal amount that this object is moved relative to its X-parent.

X-positions (pair of numbers)

Pair of X staff coordinates of a spanner in the form (*left* . *right*), where both *left* and *right* are in **staff-space** units of the current staff.

Y-attachment (number)

Vertical attachment of a line on a frame, typically between -1 (down) and 1 (up).

Y-extent (pair of numbers)

Extent (size) in the Y direction, measured in staff-space units, relative to object's reference point.

Y-offset (number)

The vertical amount that this object is moved relative to its Y-parent.

zigzag-length (dimension, in staff space)

The length of the lines of a zigzag, relative to **zigzag-width**. A value of 1 gives 60-degree zigzags.

zigzag-width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of one zigzag squiggle. This number is adjusted slightly so that the spanner line can be constructed from a whole number of squiggles.

3.4 Internal backend properties

accidental-grob (graphical (layout) object)

The accidental for this note.

accidental-grobs (list)

An alist with (*notename* . *groblist*) entries.

add-cauda (boolean)

Does this flexa require an additional cauda on the left side?

add-join (boolean)

Is this ligature head-joined with the next one by a vertical line?

add-stem (boolean)

Is this ligature head a virga and therefore needs an additional stem on the right side?

adjacent-pure-heights (pair)

A pair of vectors. Used by a **VerticalAxisGroup** to cache the **Y-extents** of different column ranges.

adjacent-spanners (array of grobs)

An array of directly neighboring dynamic spanners.

- all-elements** (array of grobs)
An array of all grobs in this line. Its function is to protect objects from being garbage collected.
- annotation** (string)
Annotate a grob for debug purposes.
- ascendens** (boolean)
Is this neume of ascending type?
- auctum** (boolean)
Is this neume liquescentically augmented?
- axis-group-parent-X** (graphical (layout) object)
Containing X axis group.
- axis-group-parent-Y** (graphical (layout) object)
Containing Y axis group.
- bars** (array of grobs)
An array of bar line pointers.
- beam** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to the beam, if applicable.
- beam-segments** (list)
Internal representation of beam segments.
- begin-of-line-visible** (boolean)
Set to make **ChordName** or **FretBoard** be visible only at beginning of line or at chord changes.
- bezier** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a Bézier curve, for use by control points and polygons.
- bound-alignment-interfaces** (list)
Interfaces to be used for positioning elements that align with a column.
- bounded-by-me** (array of grobs)
An array of spanners that have this column as start/begin point. Only columns that have grobs or act as bounds are spaced.
- bracket** (graphical (layout) object)
The bracket for a number.
- bracket-text** (graphical (layout) object)
The text for an analysis bracket.
- c0-position** (integer)
An integer indicating the position of middle C.
- cause** (any type)
Any kind of causation objects (i.e., music, or perhaps translator) that was the cause for this grob.
- cavum** (boolean)
Is this neume outlined?
- columns** (array of grobs)
An array of grobs, typically containing **PaperColumn** or **NoteColumn** objects.
- concurrent-hairpins** (array of grobs)
All concurrent hairpins.

conditional-elements (array of grobs)

Internal use only.

context-info (integer)

Within a ligature, the final glyph or shape of a head may be affected by the left and/or right neighbour head. **context-info** holds for each head such information about the left and right neighbour, encoded as a bit mask.

covered-grobs (array of grobs)

Grobs that could potentially collide with a beam.

cross-staff (boolean)

True for grobs whose **Y-extent** depends on inter-staff spacing. The extent is measured relative to the grobs's parent staff (more generally, its **VerticalAxisGroup**) so this boolean flags grobs that are not rigidly fixed to their parent staff. Beams that join notes from two staves are **cross-staff**. Grobs that are positioned around such beams are also **cross-staff**. Grobs that are grouping objects, however, like **VerticalAxisGroups** will not in general be marked **cross-staff** when some of the members of the group are **cross-staff**.

delta-position (number)

The vertical position difference.

deminutum (boolean)

Is this neume deminished?

descendens (boolean)

Is this neume of descendent type?

direction-source (graphical (layout) object)

In case **side-relative-direction** is set, which grob to get the direction from.

display-cautionary (boolean)

Should the grob be displayed as a cautionary grob?

dot (graphical (layout) object)

A reference to a **Dots** object.

dots (array of grobs)

Multiple **Dots** objects.

elements (array of grobs)

An array of grobs; the type is depending on the grob where this is set in.

encompass-objects (array of grobs)

Objects that a slur should avoid in addition to notes and stems.

figures (array of grobs)

Figured bass objects for continuation line.

flag (graphical (layout) object)

A pointer to a **Flag** object.

flexa-height (dimension, in staff space)

The height of a flexa shape in a ligature grob (in **staff-space** units).

flexa-interval (integer)

The interval spanned by the two notes of a flexa shape (1 is a second, 7 is an octave).

flexa-width (dimension, in staff space)

The width of a flexa shape in a ligature grob (in **staff-space** units).

- font** (font metric)
A cached font metric object.
- footnote-stencil** (stencil)
The stencil of a system's footnotes.
- footnotes-after-line-breaking** (array of grobs)
Footnote grobs of a broken system.
- footnotes-before-line-breaking** (array of grobs)
Footnote grobs of a whole system.
- forced** (boolean)
Manually forced accidental.
- french-beaming-stem-adjustment** (dimension, in staff space)
Stem will be shortened by this amount of space in case of French beaming style.
- glissando-index** (integer)
The index of a glissando in its note column.
- grace-spacing** (graphical (layout) object)
A run of grace notes.
- has-span-bar** (pair)
A pair of grobs containing the span bars to be drawn below and above the staff. If no span bar is in a position, the respective element is set to **#f**.
- head-width** (dimension, in staff space)
The width of this ligature head.
- heads** (array of grobs)
An array of note heads.
- ideal-distances** (list)
(*obj . (dist . strength)*) pairs.
- important-column-ranks** (vector)
A cache of columns that contain **items-worth-living** data.
- in-note-direction** (direction)
Direction to place in-notes above a system.
- in-note-padding** (number)
Padding between in-notes.
- in-note-stencil** (stencil)
The stencil of a system's in-notes.
- inclinatum** (boolean)
Is this neume an inclinatum?
- index** (non-negative, exact integer)
For some grobs in a group, this is a number associated with the grob.
- interfaces** (list)
A list of symbols indicating the interfaces supported by this object. It is initialized from the **meta** field.
- items-worth-living** (array of grobs)
An array of interesting items. If empty in a particular staff, then that staff is erased.

- keep-alive-with** (array of grobs)
An array of other **VerticalAxisGroups**. If any of them are alive, then we will stay alive.
- least-squares-dy** (number)
The ideal beam slope, without damping.
- left-items** (array of grobs)
Grobs organized on the left by a spacing object.
- left-neighbor** (graphical (layout) object)
The right-most column that has a spacing-wish for this column.
- ligature-flexa** (boolean)
request joining note to the previous one in a flexa.
- linea** (boolean)
Attach vertical lines to this neume?
- make-dead-when** (array of grobs)
An array of other **VerticalAxisGroups**. If any of them are alive, then we will turn dead.
- maybe-loose** (boolean)
Used to mark a breakable column that is loose if and only if it is in the middle of a line.
- melody-spanner** (graphical (layout) object)
The **MelodyItem** object for a stem.
- meta** (list) Provide meta information. It is an alist with the entries **name** and **interfaces**.
- minimum-distances** (list)
A list of rods that have the format (*obj . dist*).
- minimum-translations-alist** (list)
An list of translations for a given start and end point.
- neighbors** (array of grobs)
The X-axis neighbors of a grob. Used by the pure-from-neighbor-interface to determine various grob heights.
- normal-stems** (array of grobs)
An array of visible stems.
- note-collision** (graphical (layout) object)
The **NoteCollision** object of a dot column.
- note-columns** (array of grobs)
An array of **NoteColumn** grobs.
- note-head** (graphical (layout) object)
A single note head.
- note-heads** (array of grobs)
An array of note head grobs.
- numbering-assertion-function** (any type)
The function used to assert that footnotes are receiving correct automatic numbers.
- oriscus** (boolean)
Is this neume an oriscus?

- pedal-text** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to the text of a mixed-style piano pedal.
- pes-or-flexa** (boolean)
Shall this neume be joined with the previous head?
- positioning-done** (boolean)
Used to signal that a positioning element did its job. This ensures that a positioning is only done once.
- prefix-set** (number)
A bit mask that holds all Gregorian head prefixes, such as `\virga` or `\quilisma`.
- primitive** (integer)
A pointer to a ligature primitive, i.e., an item similar to a note head that is part of a ligature.
- pure-relevant-grobs** (array of grobs)
All the grobs (items and spanners) that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**
- pure-relevant-items** (array of grobs)
A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.
- pure-relevant-spanners** (array of grobs)
A subset of elements that are relevant for finding the **pure-Y-extent**.
- pure-Y-common** (graphical (layout) object)
A cache of the **common_refpoint_of_array** of the **elements** grob set.
- pure-Y-extent** (pair of numbers)
The estimated height of a system.
- pure-Y-offset-in-progress** (boolean)
A debugging aid for catching cyclic dependencies.
- quantize-position** (boolean)
If set, a vertical alignment is aligned to be within staff spaces.
- quantized-positions** (pair of numbers)
The beam positions after quanting.
- quilisma** (boolean)
Is this neume a quilisma?
- rest** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Rest** object.
- rest-collision** (graphical (layout) object)
A rest collision that a rest is in.
- rests** (array of grobs)
An array of rest objects.
- right-items** (array of grobs)
Grobs organized on the right by a spacing object.
- right-neighbor** (graphical (layout) object)
See **left-neighbor**.
- script-column** (graphical (layout) object)
A **ScriptColumn** associated with a **Script** object.
- script-stencil** (pair)
A pair (*type* . *arg*) which acts as an index for looking up a **Stencil** object.

- scripts** (array of grobs)
An array of **Script** objects.
- shorten** (dimension, in staff space)
The amount of space that a stem is shortened. Internally used to distribute beam shortening over stems.
- side-support-elements** (array of grobs)
The side support, an array of grobs.
- slur** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Slur** object.
- space-increment** (dimension, in staff space)
The amount by which the total duration of a multimeasure rest affects horizontal spacing. Each doubling of the duration adds **space-increment** to the length of the bar.
- spacing** (graphical (layout) object)
The spacing spanner governing this section.
- spacing-wishes** (array of grobs)
An array of note spacing or staff spacing objects.
- span-start** (boolean)
Is the note head at the start of a spanner?
- spanner-broken** (boolean)
Indicates whether spanner alignment should be broken after the current spanner.
- spanner-placement** (direction)
The place of an annotation on a spanner. **LEFT** is for the first spanner, and **RIGHT** is for the last. **CENTER** will place it on the broken spanner that falls closest to the center of the length of the entire spanner, although this behavior is unpredictable in situations with lots of rhythmic diversity. For predictable results, use **LEFT** and **RIGHT**.
- staff-grouper** (graphical (layout) object)
The staff grouper we belong to.
- staff-symbol** (graphical (layout) object)
The staff symbol grob that we are in.
- stem** (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Stem** object.
- stem-info** (pair)
A cache of stem parameters.
- stems** (array of grobs)
An array of stem objects.
- sticky-host** (graphical (layout) object)
The grob that a sticky grob attaches to.
- strophia** (boolean)
Is this neume a strophia?
- system-Y-offset** (number)
The Y-offset (relative to the bottom of the top-margin of the page) of the system to which this staff belongs.

tie (graphical (layout) object)
A pointer to a **Tie** object.

ties (array of grobs)
A grob array of **Tie** objects.

tremolo-flag (graphical (layout) object)
The tremolo object on a stem.

tuplet-number (graphical (layout) object)
The number for a bracket.

tuplet-start (boolean)
Is stem at the start of a tuplet?

tuplets (array of grobs)
An array of smaller tuplet brackets.

vertical-alignment (graphical (layout) object)
The **VerticalAlignment** in a **System**.

vertical-skyline-elements (array of grobs)
An array of grobs used to create vertical skylines.

virga (boolean)
Is this neume a virga?

X-common (graphical (layout) object)
Common reference point for axis group.

x-offset (dimension, in staff space)
Extra horizontal offset for ligature heads.

Y-common (graphical (layout) object)
See **X-common**.

4 Scheme functions

add-bar-glyph-print-procedure *glyph proc* [Function]

Specify the single glyph *glyph* that calls print procedure *proc*. The procedure *proc* has to be defined in the form (make-...-bar-line *grob extent*) even if the *extent* is not used within the routine.

ly:add-context-mod *contextmods modification* [Function]

Adds the given context *modification* to the list *contextmods* of context modifications.

add-grace-property *context-name grob sym val* [Function]

Set *sym*=*val* for *grob* in *context-name*.

ly:add-interface *iface desc props* [Function]

Add a new grob interface. *iface* is the interface name, *desc* is the interface description, and *props* is the list of user-settable properties for the interface.

ly:add-listener *callback disp cl* [Function]

Add the single-argument procedure *callback* as listener to the dispatcher *disp*. Whenever *disp* hears an event of class *cl*, it calls *callback* with it.

add-music-fonts *node family name brace design-size-alist factor* [Function]

Set up music fonts.

Arguments:

- *node* is the font tree to modify.
- *family* is the family name of the music font.
- *name* is the basename for the music font. *name*-<designsize>.otf should be the music font.
- *brace* is the basename for the brace font. *brace*-*brace*.otf should have piano braces.
- *design-size-alist* is a list of (*rounded* . *designsize*). *rounded* is a suffix for font file-names, while *designsize* should be the actual design size. The latter is used for text fonts loaded through pango/fontconfig.
- *factor* is a size factor relative to the default size that is being used. This is used to select the proper design size for the text fonts.

add-new-clef *clef-name clef-glyph clef-position transposition c0-position* [Function]

Append the entries for a clef symbol to supported clefs and *c0-pitch-alist*.

ly:add-option *sym val description* [Function]

Add a program option *sym*. *val* is the default value and *description* is a string description.

add-simple-time-signature-style *style proc* [Function]

Specify the procedure *proc* returning markup for a time signature style *style*. The procedure is called with one argument, the pair (*numerator* . *denominator*).

add-stroke-glyph *stencil grob dir stroke-style flag-style* [Function]

Load and add a stroke (represented by a glyph in the font) to the given flag stencil.

add-stroke-straight *stencil grob dir log stroke-style offset length thickness stroke-thickness* [Function]

Add the stroke for acciaccatura to the given flag stencil. The stroke starts for up-flags at ‘upper-end-of-flag + (0,length/2)’ and ends at ‘(0, vertical-center-of-flag-end) - (flag-x-width/2, flag-x-width + flag-thickness)’. Here ‘length’ is the whole length, while ‘flag-x-width’ is just the x extent and thus depends on the angle! Other combinations don’t look as good. For down-stems the y coordinates are simply mirrored.

- alist->hash-table** *lst* [Function]
Convert alist *lst* to a table.
- ly:all-grob-interfaces** [Function]
Return the hash table with all grob interface descriptions.
- ly:all-options** [Function]
Get all option settings in an alist.
- ly:all-output-backend-commands** [Function]
Return the list of extra output backend commands that are used internally in file `lily/stencil-interpret.cc`.
- ly:all-stencil-commands** [Function]
Return the list of stencil commands that can be defined in the output modules (in files `output-*.scm`).
- ly:all-stencil-expressions** [Function]
Return all symbols recognized as stencil expressions.
- allow-volta-hook** *bar-glyph* [Function]
Allow the volta bracket hook being drawn over bar line *bar-glyph*.
- alterations-in-key** *pitch-list* [Function]
Count number of sharps minus number of flats.
- ly:angle** *x y* [Function]
Calculate angle in degrees of given vector. With one argument, *x* is a number pair indicating the vector. With two arguments, *x* and *y* specify the respective coordinates.
- angle-0-2pi** *angle* [Function]
Take *angle* (in radians) and map it between 0 and 2pi.
- angle-0-360** *angle* [Function]
Take *angle* (in degrees) and map it between 0 and 360 degrees.
- arrow-stencil** *x y thick staff-space grob* [Function]
Return a right-pointing, filled arrow-head, where *x* determines the basic horizontal position and *y* determines the basic vertical position. Both values are adjusted using *staff-space*, which is `StaffSymbol`'s staff space. *thick* is the used line thickness.
- arrow-stencil-maker** *start? end?* [Function]
Return a function drawing a line from current point to *destination*, with optional arrows of *max-size* on start and end controlled by *start?* and *end?*.
- ly:assoc-get** *key alist default-value strict-checking* [Function]
Return value if *key* in *alist*, else *default-value* (or *#f* if not specified). If *strict-checking* is set to *#t* and *key* is not in *alist*, a programming error is output.
- ly:axis-group-interface::add-element** *grob grob-element* [Function]
Add *grob-element* to the axis group *grob*. In particular, *grob* becomes parent to *grob-element* on all axes supported by *grob*, unless the parents are already set.
- ly:bar-line::calc-anchor** *grob* [Function]
Calculate the anchor position of a bar line. The anchor is used for the correct placement of bar numbers, etc.

- bar-line::calc-break-visibility** *grob* [Function]
Calculate the visibility of a bar line at line breaks.
- bar-line::calc-glyph-name** *grob* [Function]
Return the name of the bar line glyph printed by *grob*. This function is a wrapper for **bar-line::calc-glyph-name-for-direction**.
- bar-line::calc-glyph-name-for-direction** *glyph dir* [Function]
Return the glyph name of the bar line glyph object for direction *dir* (LEFT = end of line, CENTER = middle of line, RIGHT = start of line).
- bar-line::compound-bar-line** *grob bar-glyph extent* [Function]
Build the bar line stencil.
- bar-line::draw-filled-box** *x-ext y-ext thickness extent grob* [Function]
Return a straight bar line created by **ly:round-filled-box** looking at *x-ext*, *y-ext*, *thickness*. The blot is calculated by **bar-line::calc-blot**, which needs *extent* and *grob*. *y-ext* is not necessarily of same value as *extent*.
- ly:bar-line::print** *grob* [Function]
The print routine for bar lines.
- bar-line::widen-bar-extent-on-span** *grob extent* [Function]
Widen the bar line *extent* towards span bars adjacent to *grob*.
- base-length** *time-signature time-signature-settings* [Function]
Get **baseMoment** rational value for *time-signature* from *time-signature-settings*.
- ly:basic-progress** *str rest* [Function]
A Scheme callable function to issue a basic progress message *str*. The message is formatted with **format**; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).
- beam-exceptions** *time-signature time-signature-settings* [Function]
Get **beamExceptions** value for *time-signature* from *time-signature-settings*.
- beat-structure** *base-length time-signature time-signature-settings* [Function]
Get **beatStructure** value in *base-length* units for *time-signature* from *time-signature-settings*.
- bend::arrow-head-stencil** *thickness x-y-coords height width dir* [Function]
Return an arrow head stencil, calculated from the given dimensions *height* and *width*, and translated to *x-y-coords*, the end of the bend-spanners (curved) line.
- bend::calc-bend-x-begin** *bend-spanner bounding-noteheads factor quarter-tone-diffs* [Function]
Calculate the starting values in x direction of the bend. After a line break, the values from the right bound are taken minus 1.5 staff spaces. For bends-down or if *grob* property **'style** equals to **'pre-bend**, **'hold** or **'pre-bend-hold**, **interval-center** is applied the topmost note head of the starting note heads. In any other case the right edge of the starting note head is used. The value of **BendSpanner.details.horizontal-left-padding** is added, which may be changed by an appropriate override. Returns a list of the same length as the amount of bend-starting note heads.
- bend::calc-bend-x-end** *bend-spanner top-left-tab-nhd top-right-tab-nhd* [Function]
Calculate the ending x coordinate of *bend-spanner*. At the line end, take the items of **BreakAlignGroup** into account and a little bit of padding. Ends an unbroken spanner or the last of a broken one in the middle of the topmost note head of its bounding note column.

- bend::target-cautionary *spanner*** [Function]
 Set 'display-cautionary of all relevant note heads of spanners right bound to true. As a result they appear parenthesized. This procedure is the default value of 'before-line-breaking.
- bend::text-string *spanner*** [Function]
 Take a spanner grob and calculate a list with the quarter tone diffs between the pitches of starting and ending bound. Because bending to different amounts is very unlikely, only the first element of this list is returned as a string.
- bend-spanner::print *grob*** [Function]
 Return the final stencil. A line and curve, an arrow head and a text representing the amount a string is bent.
- ly:book? *x*** [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class Book?
- ly:book-add-bookpart! *book-smob book-part*** [Function]
 Add *book-part* to *book-smob* book part list.
- ly:book-add-score! *book-smob score*** [Function]
 Add *score* to *book-smob* score list.
- ly:book-book-parts *book*** [Function]
 Return book parts in *book*.
- book-first-page *layout props*** [Function]
 Return the 'first-page-number of the entire book.
- ly:book-header *book*** [Function]
 Return header in *book*.
- ly:book-paper *book*** [Function]
 Return paper in *book*.
- ly:book-process *book-smob default-paper default-layout output*** [Function]
 Print book. *output* is passed to the backend unchanged. For example, it may be a string (for file based outputs) or a socket (for network based output).
- ly:book-process-to-systems *book-smob default-paper default-layout output*** [Function]
 Print book. *output* is passed to the backend unchanged. For example, it may be a string (for file based outputs) or a socket (for network based output).
- ly:book-scores *book*** [Function]
 Return scores in *book*.
- ly:book-set-header! *book module*** [Function]
 Set the book header.
- box-grob-stencil *grob*** [Function]
 Make a box of exactly the extents of the grob. The box precisely encloses the contents.
- box-stencil *stencil thickness padding*** [Function]
 Add a box around *stencil*, producing a new stencil.
- ly:bp *num*** [Function]
num bigpoints (1/72th inch).

- ly:bracket** *a iv t p* [Function]
 Make a bracket in direction *a*. The extent of the bracket is given by *iv*. The wings protrude by an amount of *p*, which may be negative. The thickness is given by *t*.
- bracketify-stencil** *stil axis thick protrusion padding* [Function]
 Add brackets around *stil*, producing a new stencil.
- break-alignable-interface::self-alignment-of-anchor** *g* [Function]
 Return a value for *g*'s **self-alignment-X** that will place *g* on the same side of the reference point defined by a **break-aligned** item such as a **Clef**.
- break-alignable-interface::self-alignment-opposite-of-anchor** *g* [Function]
 Return a value for *g*'s **self-alignment-X** that will place *g* on the opposite side of the reference point defined by a **break-aligned** item such as a **Clef**.
- break-alignment-list** *end-of-line middle begin-of-line* [Function]
 Return a callback that calculates a value based on a grob's break direction.
- ly:broadcast** *disp ev* [Function]
 Send the stream event *ev* to the dispatcher *disp*.
- ly:cairo-output-stencil** *basename stencil paper formats* [Function]
 dump a single stencil through the Cairo backend
- ly:cairo-output-stencils** *basename stencils header paper formats* [Function]
 dump book through cairo backend
- calc-harmonic-pitch** *pitch music* [Function]
 Calculate the harmonic pitches in *music* given *pitch* as the non-harmonic pitch.
- ly:camel-case->lisp-identifier** *name-sym* [Function]
 Convert FooBar_Bla to foo-bar-bla style symbol.
- car<** *a b* [Function]
 Return a comparator function that applies *key* to the two elements and compares the results using *cmp*. Especially useful for sorting.
- car<=** *a b* [Function]
 Return a comparator function that applies *key* to the two elements and compares the results using *cmp*. Especially useful for sorting.
- centered-stencil** *stencil* [Function]
 Center stencil *stencil* in both the x and y directions.
- centered-text-interface::print** *grob* [Function]
 Print some text between two non-musical columns according to the **spacing-pair** property.
- ly:chain-assoc-get** *key achain default-value strict-checking* [Function]
 Return value for *key* from a list of alists *achain*. If no entry is found, return *default-value* or **#f** if *default-value* is not specified. With *strict-checking* set to **#t**, a programming error is output in such cases.
- change-pitches** *music converter* [Function]
 Recurse through *music*, applying *converter* to pitches. *converter* is typically a transposer or an inverter (see file **scm/modal-transforms.scm**), but may be user-defined. The converter function must take a single pitch as its argument and return a new pitch. These are LilyPond Scheme pitches, e.g., (ly:make-pitch 0 2 0).

check-context-path *path* . *lambda**:*G61* [Function]

Check a context property path specification *path*, a symbol list (or a single symbol), for validity and possibly complete it. Returns the completed specification, or **#f** when rising an error (using optionally *location*).

ly:check-expected-warnings [Function]

Check whether all expected warnings have really been triggered.

check-grob-path *path* . *rest* [Function]

Check a grob path specification *path*, a symbol list (or a single symbol), for validity and possibly complete it. Returns the completed specification, or **#f** if invalid, optionally using *location* for an error message. If an optional keyword argument **#:start** *start* is given, the parsing starts at the given index in the sequence 'Context.Grob.property.sub-property...', with the default of '0' implying the full path.

If there is no valid first element of *path* fitting at the given path location, an optionally given **#:default** *default* is used as the respective element instead without checking it for validity at this position.

The resulting path after possibly prepending *default* can be constrained in length by optional arguments **#:min** *min* and **#:max** *max*, defaulting to '1' and unlimited, respectively.

check-music-path *path* . *rest* [Function]

Check a music property path specification *path*, a symbol list (or a single symbol), for validity and possibly complete it. Returns the completed specification, or **#f** when rising an error (using optionally *location*).

circle-stencil *stencil* *thickness* *padding* [Function]

Add a circle around *stencil*, producing a new stencil.

clef-transposition-markup *oct* *style* [Function]

The transposition sign formatting function. *oct* is supposed to be a string holding the transposition number, *style* determines the way the transposition number is displayed.

ly:cm *num* [Function]

num cm.

collect-book-music-for-book *book* *music* [Function]

Book music handler.

collect-bookpart-for-book *book-part* [Function]

Top-level book-part handler.

collect-music-aux *score-handler* *music* [Function]

Pass *music* to *score-handler*, with preprocessing for page layout instructions.

collect-music-for-book *music* [Function]

Top-level music handler.

ly:command-line-code [Function]

The Scheme code specified on the command line with option **-e**.

ly:command-line-options [Function]

The Scheme options specified on the command line with option **-d**.

ly:connect-dispatchers *to* *from* [Function]

Make the dispatcher *to* listen to events from *from*.

constante-hairpin *grob* [Function]

Create hairpin based on a list of *coords* in (cons *x y*) form. *x* is the portion of the width consumed for a given line and *y* is the portion of the height. For example, '((0 . 0) (0.3 . 0.7) (0.8 . 0.9) (1.0 . 1.0)) means that at the point where the hairpin has consumed 30% of its width, it must be at 70% of its height. Once it is to 80% width, it must be at 90% height. It finishes at 100% width and 100% height. If *coords* does not begin with '(0 . 0) the final hairpin may have an open tip. For example '(0 . 0.5) will cause an open end of 50% of the usual height.

mirrored? indicates if the hairpin is mirrored over the *y* axis or if just the upper part is drawn.

Returns a function that accepts a hairpin grob as an argument and draws the stencil based on its coordinates.

```
#(define simple-hairpin
  (elbowed-hairpin '((0 . 0)(1.0 . 1.0)) #t))

\relative c' {
  \override Hairpin #'stencil = #simple-hairpin
  a\p\< a a a\f
}
```

construct-chord-elements *root duration modifications* [Function]

Build a chord on *root* using modifiers in *modifications*. **NoteEvents** have duration *duration*.

Notes: Natural 11 is left from chord if not explicitly specified.

Entry point for the parser.

ly:context? *x* [Function]

Is *x* a smob of class **Context**?

ly:context-current-moment *context* [Function]

Return the current moment of *context*.

ly:context-def? *x* [Function]

Is *x* a smob of class **Context_def**?

ly:context-def-lookup *def sym val* [Function]

Return the value of *sym* in context definition *def* (e.g., **\Voice**). If no value is found, return *val* or '() if *val* is undefined. *sym* can be any of 'default-child', 'consists', 'description', 'aliases', 'accepts', 'property-ops', 'context-name', 'group-type'.

ly:context-def-modify *def mod* [Function]

Return the result of applying the context-mod *mod* to the context definition *def*. Does not change *def*.

ly:context-event-source *context* [Function]

Return **event-source** of context *context*.

ly:context-events-below *context* [Function]

Return a **stream-distributor** that distributes all events from *context* and all its subcontexts.

ly:context-find *context name* [Function]

Find a parent of *context* that has name or alias *name*. Return **#f** if not found.

ly:context-grob-definition *context name* [Function]

Return the definition of *name* (a symbol) within *context* as an alist.

- ly:context-id** *context* [Function]
Return the ID string of *context*, i.e., for `\context Voice = "one"` ... return the string `one`.
- ly:context-matched-pop-property** *context grob cell* [Function]
This undoes a particular `\override`, `\once \override` or `\once \revert` when given the specific alist pair to undo.
- ly:context-mod?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Context_mod`?
- ly:context-mod-apply!** *context mod* [Function]
Apply the context modification *mod* to *context*.
- ly:context-name** *context* [Function]
Return the name of *context*, i.e., for `\context Voice = "one"` ... return the symbol `Voice`.
- ly:context-output-def** *context* [Function]
Return the output definition of *context*.
- ly:context-parent** *context* [Function]
Return the parent of *context*, `#f` if none.
- ly:context-property** *context sym def* [Function]
Return the value for property *sym* in *context*. If *def* is given, and property value is `'()`, return *def*.
- ly:context-property-where-defined** *context name* [Function]
Return the context above *context* where *name* is defined.
- ly:context-pushpop-property** *context grob eltprop val* [Function]
Do `\temporary \override` or `\revert` operation in *context*. The grob definition *grob* is extended with *eltprop* (if *val* is specified) or reverted (if unspecified).
- ly:context-set-property!** *context name val* [Function]
Set value of property *name* in context *context* to *val*.
- context-spec-music** *m context . lambda*:G72* [Function]
Add `\context context = id \with mods` to *m*.
- ly:context-unset-property** *context name* [Function]
Unset value of property *name* in context *context*.
- copy-repeat-chord** *original-chord repeat-chord duration event-types* [Function]
Copy all events in *event-types* (be sure to include `rhythmic-events`) from *original-chord* over to *repeat-chord* with their articulations filtered as well. Any duration is replaced with the specified *duration*.
- count-list** *lst* [Function]
Given *lst* as `(E1 E2 ...)`, return `((E1 . 1) (E2 . 2) ...)`.
- create-glyph-flag** *flag-style dir-modifier grob* [Function]
Create a flag stencil by looking up the glyph from the font.
- cross-staff-connect** *stem* [Function]
Set cross-staff property of the stem to this function to connect it to other stems automatically.
- cue-substitute** *quote-music* [Function]
Must happen after `quote-substitute`.

cyclic-base-value *value cycle* [Function]
 Take *value* (for example, an angle) and modulo-maps it between 0 and base *cycle*.

ly:debug *str rest* [Function]
 A Scheme callable function to issue a debug message *str*. The message is formatted with *format*; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).

default-flag *grob* [Function]
 Create a flag stencil for the stem. Its style is derived from the 'style Flag property. By default, lilypond uses a C++ Function (which is slightly faster) to do exactly the same as this function. However, if one wants to modify the default flags, this function can be used to obtain the default flag stencil, which can then be modified at will. The correct way to do this is:

```
\override Flag #'stencil = #default-flag
\override Flag #'style = #'mensural
```

ly:default-scale [Function]
 Get the global default scale.

define-bar-line *bar-glyph eol-glyph bol-glyph span-glyph* [Function]
 Define a bar glyph *bar-glyph* and its substitute at the end of a line (*eol-glyph*), at the beginning of a new line (*bol-glyph*) and as a span bar (*span-glyph*), respectively.

define-event-class *class parent* [Function]
 Defines a new event *class* derived from *parent*, a previously defined event class.

define-fonts *paper define-font define-pango-pf* [Function]
 Return a string of all fonts used in *paper*, invoking the functions *define-font* and *define-pango-pf* for producing the actual font definition.

define-tag-group *tags* [Function]
 Define a tag group consisting of the given *tags*, a list of symbols. Returns *#f* if successful, and an error message if there is a conflicting tag group definition.

degrees->radians *angle-degrees* [Function]
 Convert the given angle from degrees to radians.

descend-to-context *m context . lambda*:G74* [Function]
 Like *context-spec-music*, but only descending.

determine-split-list *evl1 evl2 chord-range* [Function]
 Event lists *evl1* and *evl2* should be ascending. *chord-range* is a pair of numbers (*min . max*) defining the distance in steps between notes that may be combined into a chord or unison.

determine-string-fret-finger *context notes specified-info rest* [Function]
 Determine string numbers and frets for playing *notes* as a chord, given specified information *specified-info*. *specified-info* is a list with two list elements, specified strings *defined-strings* and specified fingerings *defined-fingers*. Only a fingering of 0 will affect the fret selection, as it specifies an open string. If *defined-strings* is '(), the context property *defaultStrings* is used as a list of defined strings. Looks for predefined fretboards if *predefinedFretboardTable* is not *#f*. If *rest* is present, it contains the *FretBoard* grob, and a fretboard gets created. Otherwise, a list of (*string fret finger*) lists is returned.
 If the context-property *supportNonIntegerFret* is set *#t*, micro-tones are supported for *TabStaff*, but not for *FretBoards*.

- ly:dimension?** *d* [Function]
Is *d* a dimension? Used to distinguish length variables from normal numbers.
- ly:dir?** *s* [Function]
Is *s* a direction? Valid directions are -1, 0, or 1, where -1 represents left or down, 1 represents right or up, and 0 represents a neutral direction.
- dir-basename** *file . rest* [Function]
Strip suffixes in *rest*, but leave directory component for *file*.
- ly:directed** *direction magnitude* [Function]
Calculate an (*x* . *y*) pair with optional *magnitude* (defaulting to 1.0) and *direction* specified either as an angle in degrees or a coordinate pair giving the direction. If *magnitude* is a pair, the respective coordinates are scaled independently, useful for ellipse drawings.
- ly:disconnect-dispatchers** *to from* [Function]
Stop the dispatcher *to* listening to events from *from*.
- ly:dispatcher?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Dispatcher`?
- display-lily-music** *expr . lambda*:G56* [Function]
Display the music expression *expr* using LilyPond syntax.
- display-music** *music . lambda*:G42* [Function]
Display *music*, not done with `music-map` for clarity of presentation.
- display-scheme-music** *obj . lambda*:G44* [Function]
Display *obj*, typically a music expression, in a friendly fashion, which often can be read back in order to generate an equivalent expression.
- dodecaphonic-no-repeat-rule** *context pitch barnum* [Function]
An accidental rule that typesets an accidental before every note (just as in the dodecaphonic accidental style) *except* if the note is immediately preceded by a note with the same pitch. This is a common accidental style in contemporary notation.
- ly:duration?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Duration`?
- ly:duration<?** *p1 p2* [Function]
Is *p1* shorter than *p2*?
- ly:duration->string** *dur* [Function]
Convert *dur* to a string.
- ly:duration-compress** *dur factor* [Function]
Compress *dur* by rational *factor*.
- ly:duration-dot-count** *dur* [Function]
Extract the dot count from *dur*.
- duration-dot-factor** *dotcount* [Function]
Given a count of the dots used to extend a musical duration, return the numeric factor by which they increase the duration.
- ly:duration-factor** *dur* [Function]
Extract the compression factor from *dur*. Return it as a pair.

- ly:duration-length** *dur* [Function]
The length of the duration as a **moment**.
- duration-length** *dur* [Function]
Return the overall length of a duration, as a number of whole notes. (Not to be confused with **ly:duration-length**, which returns a less useful **Moment** object.)
- duration-line::calc** *grob* [Function]
Return list of values needed to print a stencil for **DurationLine**.
- duration-line::print** *grob* [Function]
Return the stencil of **DurationLine**.
- ly:duration-log** *dur* [Function]
Extract the duration log from *dur*.
- duration-log-factor** *lognum* [Function]
Given a logarithmic duration number, return the length of the duration, as a number of whole notes.
- ly:duration-scale** *dur* [Function]
Extract the compression factor from *dur*. Return it as a rational.
- duration-visual** *dur* [Function]
Given a duration object, return the visual part of the duration (base note length and dot count), in the form of a duration object with non-visual scale factor 1.
- duration-visual-length** *dur* [Function]
Given a duration object, return the length of the visual part of the duration (base note length and dot count), as a number of whole notes.
- dynamic-text-spanner::before-line-breaking** *grob* [Function]
Monitor left bound of **DynamicTextSpanner** for absolute dynamics. If found, ensure **DynamicText** does not collide with spanner text by changing '**attach-dir**' and '**padding**'. Reads the '**right-padding**' property of **DynamicText** to fine-tune space between the two text elements.
- ly:effective-prefix** [Function]
Return effective prefix. For example, if LilyPond Scheme files are stored in directory `/foo/bar/scm` and PS files in `/foo/bar/ps`, the effective prefix is `/foo/bar`.
- ellipse-stencil** *stencil thickness x-padding y-padding* [Function]
Add an ellipse around *stencil*, padded by the padding pair, producing a new stencil.
- ly:encode-string-for-pdf** *str* [Function]
Encode *str* as either Latin-1 (which is a subset of **PDFDocEncoding**) or, if that's not possible, as full UTF-16BE with a leading Byte Order Mark (BOM).
- end-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]
Is *spanner* broken *and* the last of its broken siblings? See also **unbroken-or-last-broken-spanner?**.
- ly:engraver-announce-end-grob** *engraver grob cause* [Function]
Announce the end of a grob (i.e., the end of a spanner) originating from given *engraver* instance, with *grob* being a grob. *cause* should either be another grob or a music event.

- ly:engraver-make-grob** *engraver grob-name cause* [Function]
 Create a grob originating from given *engraver* instance, with given *grob-name*, a symbol. *cause* should either be another grob or a music event.
- ly:engraver-make-item** *engraver grob-name cause* [Function]
 Same as **ly:engraver-make-grob**, but always create a grob with the **Item** class. This is useful when the same grob definition is used to create grobs of differing classes.
- ly:engraver-make-spanner** *engraver grob-name cause* [Function]
 Same as **ly:engraver-make-grob**, but always create a grob with the **Spanner** class. This is useful when the same grob definition is used to create grobs of differing classes.
- ly:engraver-make-sticky** *engraver grob-name host cause* [Function]
 Utility function to create a grob sticking to another grob. This acts like either **ly:engraver-make-item** or **ly:engraver-make-spanner**, depending on the class of the host. Additionally, the host is made the parent of the newly created sticky grob on the y axis and, for items, on the x axis. Sticky spanners take their bounds from their host and their end is announced with the end of the host.
 Sticky grobs must have the **sticky-grob-interface** interface, see Section “sticky-grob-interface” in *Internals Reference*.
- ly:error** *str rest* [Function]
 A Scheme callable function to issue the error *str*. The error is formatted with **format**; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).
- eval-carefully** *symbol module . default* [Function]
 Check whether all symbols in expression *symbol* are reachable in module *module*. In that case evaluate, otherwise print a warning and set an optional *default*.
- ly:event?** *obj* [Function]
 Is *obj* a proper (non-rhythmic) **Event** object?
- event-chord-notes** *event-chord* [Function]
 Return a list of all notes from *event-chord*.
- event-chord-pitches** *event-chord* [Function]
 Return a list of all pitches from *event-chord*.
- event-chord-reduce** *music* [Function]
 Reduce event chords in *music* to their first note event, retaining only the chord articulations. Returns the modified music.
- event-chord-wrap!** *music* [Function]
 Wrap isolated rhythmic events and non-postevent events in *music* inside of an **EventChord**. Chord repeats ‘q’ are expanded using the default settings of the parser.
- ly:event-deep-copy** *m* [Function]
 Copy *m* and all sub-expressions of *m*.
- event-has-articulation?** *event-type stream-event* [Function]
 Is *event-type* in the **articulations** list of *stream-event*?
- ly:event-property** *sev sym val* [Function]
 Get the property *sym* of stream event *sev*. If *sym* is undefined, return *val* or ‘()’ if *val* is not specified.

- ly:event-set-property!** *ev sym val* [Function]
Set property *sym* in event *ev* to *val*.
- expand-repeat-chords!** *event-types music* [Function]
Walk through *music* and fill repeated chords (notable by having a duration in **duration**) with the notes from their respective predecessor chord.
- expand-repeat-notes!** *music* [Function]
Walk through *music* and give pitchless notes (not having a pitch in **pitch** or a drum type in **drum-type**) the pitch(es) from the predecessor note/chord if available.
- ly:expect-warning** *str rest* [Function]
A Scheme callable function to register a warning to be expected and subsequently suppressed. If the warning is not encountered, a warning about the missing warning is shown. The message should be translated with (*_ ...*) and changing parameters given after the format string.
- extract-beam-exceptions** *music* [Function]
Create a value useful for setting **beamExceptions** from *music*.
- extract-music** *music pred?* [Function]
Return a flat list of all music matching *pred?* inside of *music*, not recursing into matches themselves.
- extract-named-music** *music music-name* [Function]
Return a flat list of all music named *music-name* (either a single event symbol or a list of alternatives) inside of *music*, not recursing into matches themselves.
- ly:extract-subfont-from-collection** *collection-file-name idx subfont-file-name* [Function]
Extract the subfont of index *idx* in TrueType collection (TTC) or OpenType/CFF collection (OTC) file *collection-file-name* and write it to file *subfont-file-name*.
- extract-typed-music** *music type* [Function]
Return a flat list of all music with *type* (either a single type symbol or a list of alternatives) inside of *music*, not recursing into matches themselves.
- ly:find-file** *name* [Function]
Return the absolute file name of *name*, or **#f** if not found.
- find-named-props** *prop-name grob-descriptions* [Function]
Used by **\magnifyMusic** and **\magnifyStaff**. If *grob-descriptions* is equal to the **all-grob-descriptions** alist (defined in **scm/define-grobs.scm**), this finds all grobs that can have a value for the *prop-name* property, and return them as a list in the following format:

```
'((grob prop-name)
  (grob prop-name)
  ...)
```
- find-pitch-entry** *keysig pitch accept-global accept-local* [Function]
Return the first entry in *keysig* that matches *pitch* by notename and octave. Alteration is not considered. *accept-global* states whether key signature entries should be included. *accept-local* states whether local accidentals should be included. If no matching entry is found, **#f** is returned.
- finger-glide::print** *grob* [Function]
The stencil printing procedure for grob **FingerGlideSpanner**. Depending on the grob property **style** several forms of appearance are printed. Possible settings for grob property **style** are **zigzag**, **trill**, **dashed-line**, **dotted-line**, **stub-left**, **stub-right**, **stub-both**, **bow**, **none** and **line**, which is the default.

first-assoc *keys lst* [Function]

Return first successful assoc of key from *keys* in *lst*.

first-broken-spanner? *spanner* [Function]

Is *spanner* broken *and* the first of its broken siblings? See also **unbroken-or-first-broken-spanner?**.

first-member *members lst* [Function]

Return first successful member (of member) from *members* in *lst*.

flared-hairpin *grob* [Function]

Create hairpin based on a list of *coords* in (cons *x y*) form. *x* is the portion of the width consumed for a given line and *y* is the portion of the height. For example, '((0 . 0) (0.3 . 0.7) (0.8 . 0.9) (1.0 . 1.0)) means that at the point where the hairpin has consumed 30% of its width, it must be at 70% of its height. Once it is to 80% width, it must be at 90% height. It finishes at 100% width and 100% height. If *coords* does not begin with '(0 . 0) the final hairpin may have an open tip. For example '(0 . 0.5) will cause an open end of 50% of the usual height.

mirrored? indicates if the hairpin is mirrored over the *y* axis or if just the upper part is drawn.

Returns a function that accepts a hairpin grob as an argument and draws the stencil based on its coordinates.

```
#(define simple-hairpin
  (elbowed-hairpin '((0 . 0)(1.0 . 1.0)) #t))

\relative c' {
  \override Hairpin #'stencil = #simple-hairpin
  a\p\< a a a\f
}
```

flat-flag *grob* [Function]

Flat flag style. The angles of the flags are both 0 degrees.

flatten-list *x* [Function]

Unnest list.

flip-stencil *axis stil* [Function]

Flip stencil *stil* in the direction of *axis*. Value **X** (or 0) for *axis* flips it horizontally. Value **Y** (or 1) flips it vertically. *stil* is flipped in place; its position, the coordinates of its bounding box, remains the same.

fold-some-music *pred? proc init music* [Function]

This works recursively on music like **fold** does on a list, calling '(*pred?* music)' on every music element. If **#f** is returned for an element, it is processed recursively with the same initial value of 'previous', otherwise '(*proc* music previous)' replaces 'previous' and no recursion happens. The top *music* is processed using *init* for 'previous'.

ly:font-config-add-directory *dir* [Function]

Add directory *dir* to FontConfig.

ly:font-config-add-font *font* [Function]

Add font *font* to FontConfig.

ly:font-config-display-fonts [Function]

Dump a list of all fonts visible to FontConfig.

- ly:font-config-get-font-file** *name* [Function]
Get the file for font *name*, as found by FontConfig.
- ly:font-design-size** *font* [Function]
Given the font metric *font*, return the design size, relative to the current **output-scale**.
- ly:font-file-name** *font* [Function]
Given the font metric *font*, return the corresponding file name.
- ly:font-get-glyph** *font name* [Function]
Return a stencil from *font* for the glyph named *name*. If the glyph is not available, return an empty stencil.
Note that this command can only be used to access glyphs from fonts loaded with **ly:system-font-load**; currently, this means either the Emmentaler or Emmentaler-Brace fonts, corresponding to the font encodings **fetaMusic** and **fetaBraces**, respectively.
- ly:font-glyph-name-to-charcode** *font name* [Function]
Return the character code for glyph *name* in *font*.
Note that this command can only be used to access glyphs from fonts loaded with **ly:system-font-load**; currently, this means either the Emmentaler or Emmentaler-Brace fonts, corresponding to the font encodings **fetaMusic** and **fetaBraces**, respectively.
- ly:font-glyph-name-to-index** *font name* [Function]
Return the index for *name* in *font*.
Note that this command can only be used to access glyphs from fonts loaded with **ly:system-font-load**; currently, this means either the Emmentaler or Emmentaler-Brace fonts, corresponding to the font encodings **fetaMusic** and **fetaBraces**, respectively.
- ly:font-index-to-charcode** *font index* [Function]
Return the character code for *index* in *font*.
Note that this command can only be used to access glyphs from fonts loaded with **ly:system-font-load**; currently, this means either the Emmentaler or Emmentaler-Brace fonts, corresponding to the font encodings **fetaMusic** and **fetaBraces**, respectively.
- ly:font-magnification** *font* [Function]
Given the font metric *font*, return the magnification, relative to the current **output-scale**.
- ly:font-metric?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class **Font_metric**?
- ly:font-name** *font* [Function]
Given the font metric *font*, return the corresponding name.
- font-name-split** *font-name* [Function]
Return (*font-name* . *design-size*) from *font-name* string or **#f**.
- ly:font-sub-fonts** *font* [Function]
Given the font metric *font* of an OpenType font, return the names of the subfonts within *font*.
- for-some-music** *stop? music* [Function]
Walk through *music*, process all elements calling *stop?* and only recurse if this returns **#f**.
- ly:format** *str rest* [Function]
LilyPond specific format function, supporting **~a** and **~[0-9]f**. Basic support for **~s** is also provided.

- ly:format-output** *context* [Function]
 Given a global context in its final state, process it and return the **Music_output** object in its final state.
- format-segno-mark-considering-bar-lines** *segno-number context* [Function]
 When bar lines incorporate segni, print no mark for the first segno because that would be redundant. Print the usual marks for later segni to avoid ambiguity.
- fret->pitch** *fret* [Function]
 Calculate a pitch given *fret* for the harmonic.
- fret-parse-terse-definition-string** *props definition-string* [Function]
 Parse a fret diagram string that uses terse syntax; return a pair containing *props*, modified to include the string-count determined by *definition-string*, and a fret indication list with the appropriate values.
- function-chain** *arg function-list* [Function]
 Apply a list of functions in *function-list* to *arg*. Each element of *function-list* is structured (cons function '(arg2 arg3 ...)). If function takes arguments besides *arg*, they are provided in *function-list*. Example:

$$(\text{function-chain } 1 \text{ `}((+, 1) (-, 2) (+, 3) (,/)))$$

$$\Rightarrow 1/3$$
- generate-crop-stencil** *paper-book* [Function]
 Returns a stencil for the cropped output of the given **Paper_book**
- generate-preview-stencil** *paper-book* [Function]
 Returns a stencil for a preview of given **Paper_book**
- ly:generic-bound-extent** *grob common* [Function]
 Determine the extent of *grob* relative to *common* along the x axis, finding its extent as a bound when it has **bound-alignment-interfaces** property list set and otherwise the full extent.
- ly:get-all-function-documentation** [Function]
 Get a hash table with all LilyPond Scheme extension functions.
- ly:get-all-translators** [Function]
 Return a list of all translator objects that may be instantiated.
- get-bound-note-heads** *spanner* [Function]
 Take a spanner grob and return a pair containing all note heads of the initial starting and the final **NoteColumn**.
- ly:get-cff-offset** *font-file-name idx* [Function]
 Get the offset of the 'CFF' table for *font-file-name*, returning it as an integer. The optional *idx* argument is useful for OpenType/CFF collections (OTC) only; it specifies the font index within the OTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.
- get-chord-shape** *shape-code tuning base-chord-shapes* [Function]
 Return the chord shape associated with *shape-code* and *tuning* in the hash-table *base-chord-shapes*.
- ly:get-context-mods** *contextmod* [Function]
 Returns the list of context modifications stored in *contextmod*.

- ly:get-font-format** *font-file-name* *idx* [Function]
 Get the font format for *font-file-name*, returning it as a symbol. The optional *idx* argument is useful for TrueType Collections (TTC) and OpenType/CFF collections (OTC) only; it specifies the font index within the TTC/OTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.
- ly:get-option** *var* [Function]
 Get a global option setting.
- get-postscript-bbox** *string* [Function]
 Extract the bounding box from *string*, or return **#f** if not present.
- ly:get-spacing-spec** *from-scm* *to-scm* [Function]
 Return the spacing spec going between the two given grobs, *from-scm* and *to-scm*.
- get-tweakable-music** *mus* [Function]
 When tweaking music, return a list of music expressions where the tweaks should be applied. Relevant for music wrappers and event chords.
- ly:gettext** *original* [Function]
 A Scheme wrapper function for **gettext** (to translate messages).
- ly:grob?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class **Grob**?
- grob::all-objects** *grob* [Function]
 Return a list of the names and contents of all properties having type **ly:grob?** or **ly:grob-array?** for all interfaces supported by grob *grob*.
- grob::compose-function** *func* *data* [Function]
 Create a callback entity *func* to be stored in a grob property, based on the grob property data *data* (which can be plain data, a callback itself, or an unpure-pure container).
 Function or unpure-pure container *func* accepts a grob and a value and returns another value. Depending on the type of *data*, *func* is used for building a grob callback or an unpure-pure container.
- grob::display-objects** *grob* [Function]
 Display all objects stored in properties of grob *grob*.
- grob::name** *grob* [Function]
 Return the name of the grob *grob* as a symbol.
- grob::offset-function** *func* *data* . *rest* [Function]
 Create a callback entity *func* to be stored in a grob property, based on the grob property data *data* (which can be plain data, a callback itself, or an unpure-pure container).
 Function *func* accepts a grob and returns a value that is added to the value resulting from *data*. Optional argument *plus* defaults to '+' but may be changed to allow for using a different underlying accumulation.
 If *data* is **#f** or '()', it is not included in the sum.
- grob::rhythmic-location** *grob* [Function]
 Return a pair consisting of the measure number and moment within the measure of grob *grob*.
- grob::unpure-Y-extent-from-stencil** *pure-function* [Function]
 The unpure height will come from a stencil whereas the pure height will come from *pure-function*.

- grob::when** *grob* [Function]
Return the global timestep (a **Moment**) of grob *grob*.
- ly:grob-alist-chain** *grob global* [Function]
Get an alist chain for grob *grob*, with *global* as the global default. If unspecified, **font-defaults** from the layout block is taken.
- ly:grob-array?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class **Grob_array**?
- ly:grob-array->list** *grob-arr* [Function]
Return the elements of *grob-arr* as a Scheme list.
- ly:grob-array-length** *grob-arr* [Function]
Return the length of *grob-arr*.
- ly:grob-array-ref** *grob-arr index* [Function]
Retrieve the *index*th element of *grob-arr*.
- ly:grob-basic-properties** *grob* [Function]
Get the immutable properties of *grob*.
- ly:grob-chain-callback** *grob proc sym* [Function]
Find the callback that is stored as property *sym* of grob *grob* and chain *proc* to the head of this, meaning that it is called using *grob* and the previous callback's result.
- ly:grob-common-refpoint** *grob other axis* [Function]
Find the common refpoint of *grob* and *other* for *axis*.
- ly:grob-common-refpoint-of-array** *grob others axis* [Function]
Find the common refpoint of *grob* and *others* (a grob-array) for *axis*.
- ly:grob-default-font** *grob* [Function]
Return the default font for grob *grob*.
- ly:grob-extent** *grob refp axis* [Function]
Get the extent in *axis* direction of *grob* relative to the grob *refp*.
- ly:grob-get-vertical-axis-group-index** *grob* [Function]
Get the index of the vertical axis group the grob *grob* belongs to; return -1 if none is found.
- ly:grob-interfaces** *grob* [Function]
Return the interfaces list of grob *grob*.
- ly:grob-layout** *grob* [Function]
Get \layout definition from grob *grob*.
- ly:grob-list->grob-array** *grob-list* [Function]
Convert a Scheme list of grobs to a grob array.
- ly:grob-object** *grob sym val* [Function]
Return the value of a pointer in grob *grob* of property *sym*. When *sym* is undefined in *grob*, it returns *val* if specified or '() (end-of-list) otherwise. The kind of properties this taps into differs from regular properties. It is used to store links between grobs, either grobs or grob arrays. For instance, a note head has a **stem** property, the stem grob it belongs to. Just after line breaking, all those grobs are scanned and replaced by their relevant broken versions when applicable.

ly:grob-original <i>grob</i>	[Function]
Return the unbroken original grob of <i>grob</i> .	
ly:grob-parent <i>grob axis</i>	[Function]
Get the parent of <i>grob</i> . <i>axis</i> is 0 for the x axis, 1 for the y axis.	
ly:grob-pq<? <i>a b</i>	[Function]
Compare two grob priority queue entries. This is an internal function.	
ly:grob-properties? <i>x</i>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class Grob_properties ?	
ly:grob-property <i>grob sym val</i>	[Function]
Return the value for property <i>sym</i> of <i>grob</i> . If no value is found, return <i>val</i> or '()' if <i>val</i> is not specified.	
ly:grob-property-data <i>grob sym</i>	[Function]
Return the value for property <i>sym</i> of <i>grob</i> , but do not process callbacks.	
ly:grob-pure-height <i>grob refp beg end val</i>	[Function]
Return the pure height of <i>grob</i> given refpoint <i>refp</i> . If no value is found, return <i>val</i> or '()' if <i>val</i> is not specified.	
ly:grob-pure-property <i>grob sym beg end val</i>	[Function]
Return the pure value for property <i>sym</i> of <i>grob</i> . If no value is found, return <i>val</i> or '()' if <i>val</i> is not specified.	
ly:grob-relative-coordinate <i>grob refp axis</i>	[Function]
Get the coordinate in <i>axis</i> direction of <i>grob</i> relative to the grob <i>refp</i> .	
ly:grob-robust-relative-extent <i>grob refp axis</i>	[Function]
Get the extent in <i>axis</i> direction of <i>grob</i> relative to the grob <i>refp</i> , or (0,0) if empty.	
ly:grob-script-priority-less <i>a b</i>	[Function]
Compare two grobs by script priority. For internal use.	
ly:grob-set-nested-property! <i>grob symlist val</i>	[Function]
Set nested property <i>symlist</i> in grob <i>grob</i> to value <i>val</i> .	
ly:grob-set-object! <i>grob sym val</i>	[Function]
Set <i>sym</i> in grob <i>grob</i> to value <i>val</i> .	
ly:grob-set-parent! <i>grob axis parent-grob</i>	[Function]
Set <i>parent-grob</i> as the parent of grob <i>grob</i> in axis <i>axis</i> .	
ly:grob-set-property! <i>grob sym val</i>	[Function]
Set <i>sym</i> in grob <i>grob</i> to value <i>val</i> .	
ly:grob-spanned-column-rank-interval <i>grob</i>	[Function]
Return a pair with the rank of the furthest left column and the rank of the furthest right column spanned by <i>grob</i> .	
ly:grob-staff-position <i>sg</i>	[Function]
Return the y position of <i>sg</i> relative to the staff.	
ly:grob-suicide! <i>grob</i>	[Function]
Kill <i>grob</i> .	

- ly:grob-system** *grob* [Function]
Return the system grob of *grob*.
- grob-transformer** *property func* [Function]
Create an override value good for applying *func* to either pure or unpure values. *func* is called with the respective grob as first argument and the default value (after resolving all callbacks) as the second.
- ly:grob-translate-axis!** *grob d a* [Function]
Translate *grob* on axis *a* over distance *d*.
- ly:grob-vertical**<? *a b* [Function]
Does *a* lie above *b* on the page?
- ly:gulp-file** *name size* [Function]
Read *size* characters from the file *name*, and return its contents in a string. If *size* is undefined, the entire file is read. The file is looked up using the search path.
- ly:gulp-file-utf8** *name size* [Function]
Read *size* characters from the file *name*, and return its contents in a string decoded from UTF-8. If *size* is undefined, the entire file is read. The file is looked up using the search path.
- ly:has-glyph-names?** *font-file-name idx* [Function]
Does the font for *font-file-name* have glyph names? The optional *idx* argument is useful for TrueType Collections (TTC) and OpenType/CFF collections (OTC) only; it specifies the font index within the TTC/OTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.
- ly:hash-table-keys** *tab* [Function]
Return a list of keys in *tab*.
- headers-property-alist-chain** *headers* [Function]
Take a list of `\header` blocks (Guile modules). Return an alist chain containing all of their bindings where the names have been prefixed with `header:`. This alist chain is suitable for interpreting a markup in the context of these headers.
- hook-stencil** *x y staff-space thick blot grob* [Function]
Return a hook stencil where *x* determines the horizontal position and *y* determines the basic vertical position. The final stencil is adjusted vertically using *staff-space*, which is `StaffSymbol`'s staff space, and uses *blot*, which is the current `'blot-diameter`. The stencil's thickness is usually taken from *grob* `'details`, *thick* serves as a fallback value.
- ly:in-event-class?** *ev cl* [Function]
Does event *ev* belong to event class *cl*?
- ly:inch** *num* [Function]
num inches.
- ly:input-both-locations** *sip* [Function]
Return input location in *sip* as
(file-name first-line first-column last-line last-column)
- ly:input-file-line-char-column** *sip* [Function]
Return input location in *sip* as (file-name line char column).
- ly:input-location?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Input`?

- ly:input-message** *sip msg rest* [Function]
 Print *msg* as a GNU compliant error message, pointing to the location in *sip*. *msg* is interpreted similar to **format**'s argument, using *rest*.
- ly:input-warning** *sip msg rest* [Function]
 Print *msg* as a GNU compliant warning message, pointing to the location in *sip*. *msg* is interpreted similar to **format**'s argument, using *rest*.
- ly:interpret-music-expression** *mus ctx* [Function]
 Interpret the music expression *mus* in the global context *ctx*. The context is returned in its final state.
- interval-center** *x* [Function]
 Center the number pair *x*, if an interval.
- interval-index** *interval dir* [Function]
 Interpolate *interval* between between left (*dir*=-1) and right (*dir*=+1).
- interval-length** *x* [Function]
 Length of the number pair *x*, if an interval.
- ly:intlog2** *d* [Function]
 The 2-logarithm of $1/d$.
- invalidate-alterations** *context* [Function]
 Invalidate alterations in *context*.
 Elements of 'localAlterations corresponding to local alterations of the key signature have the form '((octave . notename) . (alter barnum . end-mom)). Replace them with a version where *alter* is set to 'clef to force a repetition of accidentals.
 Entries that conform with the current key signature are not invalidated.
- ly:item?** *g* [Function]
 Is *g* an Item object?
- ly:item-break-dir** *it* [Function]
 The break status direction of item *it*. -1 means end of line, 0 unbroken, and 1 beginning of line.
- ly:item-get-column** *it* [Function]
 Return the PaperColumn or NonMusicalPaperColumn associated with this Item.
- ly:iterator?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class Music_iterator?
- layout-line-thickness** *grob* [Function]
 Get the line thickness of the *grob*'s corresponding layout.
- layout-set-absolute-staff-size** *sz* [Function]
 Set the absolute staff size inside of a \layout{} block. *sz* is in points.
- layout-set-staff-size** *sz* [Function]
 Set the staff size inside of a \layout{} block. *sz* is in points.
- ly:length** *x y* [Function]
 Calculate magnitude of given vector. With one argument, *x* is a number pair indicating the vector. With two arguments, *x* and *y* specify the respective coordinates.

<code>ly:lily-lexer? x</code>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Lily_lexer</code> ?	
<code>ly:lily-parser? x</code>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Lily_parser</code> ?	
<code>lilypond-main files</code>	[Function]
Entry point for LilyPond.	
<code>ly:line-interface::line grob startx starty endx endy</code>	[Function]
Make a line using layout information from grob <i>grob</i> .	
<code>list-insert-separator lst between</code>	[Function]
Create new list, inserting <i>between</i> between elements of <i>lst</i> .	
<code>list-join lst intermediate</code>	[Function]
Put <i>intermediate</i> between all elements of <i>lst</i> .	
<code>ly:listened-event-class? disp cl</code>	[Function]
Does <i>disp</i> listen to any event type in the list <i>cl</i> ?	
<code>ly:listened-event-types disp</code>	[Function]
Return a list of all event types that <i>disp</i> listens to.	
<code>ly:listener? x</code>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Listener</code> ?	
<code>lookup-markup-command code</code>	[Function]
Return (<i>function</i> . <i>signature</i>) for a markup command <i>code</i> , or return <code>#f</code> .	
<code>lyric-text::print grob</code>	[Function]
Allow interpretation of tildes as lyric tying marks.	
<code>ly:make-book paper header scores</code>	[Function]
Make a <code>\book</code> of <i>paper</i> and <i>header</i> (which may be <code>#f</code> as well) containing <code>\scores</code> .	
<code>ly:make-book-part scores</code>	[Function]
Make a <code>\bookpart</code> containing <code>\scores</code> .	
<code>make-bow-stencil start stop thickness angularity bow-height orientation</code>	[Function]
Create a bow stencil. It starts at point <i>start</i> , ends at point <i>stop</i> . <i>thickness</i> is the thickness of the bow. The higher the value of number <i>angularity</i> , the more angular the shape of the bow. <i>bow-height</i> determines the height of the bow. <i>orientation</i> determines whether the bow is concave or convex. Both variables are supplied to support independent usage.	
Done by calculating a horizontal unit bow first, then moving all control points to the correct positions. Limitation: s-curves are currently not supported.	
<code>make-c-time-signature-markup fraction</code>	[Function]
Make markup for the ‘C’ time signature style.	
<code>make-circle-stencil radius thickness fill</code>	[Function]
Make a circle of radius <i>radius</i> and thickness <i>thickness</i> .	
<code>make-clef-set clef-name</code>	[Function]
Generate the clef setting commands for a clef with name <i>clef-name</i> .	

- make-connected-line** *points grob* [Function]
 Take a list of points, *points*. Return a line connecting *points*, using `ly:line-interface::line` and getting layout information from *grob*.
- make-connected-path-stencil** *pointlist thickness x-scale y-scale connect fill* [Function]
 Make a connected path described by the list *pointlist*, beginning at point (0, 0), with thickness *thickness*, and scaled by *x-scale* in the x direction and *y-scale* in the y direction. *connect* and *fill* are boolean arguments that specify whether the path should be connected or filled, respectively.
- ly:make-context-mod** *mod-list* [Function]
 Create a context modification, optionally initialized via the list of modifications *mod-list*.
- make-cue-clef-set** *clef-name* [Function]
 Generate the clef setting commands for a cue clef with name *clef-name*.
- make-cue-clef-unset** [Function]
 Reset the clef settings for a cue clef.
- ly:make-dispatcher** [Function]
 Return a newly created dispatcher.
- ly:make-duration** *length dotcount num den* [Function]
 Make a duration. *length* is the negative logarithm (base 2) of the duration: 1 is a half note, 2 is a quarter note, 3 is an eighth note, etc. The number of dots after the note is given by the optional argument *dotcount*.
 The duration factor is optionally given by integers *num* and *den*, alternatively by a single rational number.
 A duration is a musical duration, i.e., a length of time described by a power of two (whole, half, quarter, etc.) and a number of augmentation dots.
- make-duration-of-length** *moment* [Function]
 Make duration of the given *moment* length.
- make-ellipse-stencil** *x-radius y-radius thickness fill* [Function]
 Make an ellipse of x radius *x-radius*, y radius *y-radius*, and thickness *thickness* with fill defined by *fill*.
- make-filled-box-stencil** *xext yext* [Function]
 Make a filled box.
- ly:make-global-context** *output-def* [Function]
 Set up a global interpretation context, using the output block *output-def*. The context is returned.
- ly:make-global-translator** *global* [Function]
 Create a translator group and connect it to the global context *global*. The translator group is returned.
- make-glyph-time-signature-markup** *style fraction* [Function]
 Make markup for a symbolic time signature. If the music font does not have a glyph for the requested style and fraction, issue a warning and make a numbered time signature instead.
- ly:make-grob-properties** *alist* [Function]
 Package the given property list *alist* in a grob property container stored in a context property with the name of a grob.

- make-grob-property-override** *grob gprop val* [Function]
 Make a Music expression that overrides *gprop* to *val* in *grob*. This is a `\temporary \override`, making it possible to `\revert` to any previous value afterwards.
- make-grob-property-revert** *grob gprop* [Function]
 Revert the grob property *gprop* for *grob*.
- make-grob-property-set** *grob gprop val* [Function]
 Make a Music expression that overrides a *gprop* to *val* in *grob*. Does a pop first, i.e., this is not a `\temporary \override`.
- make-harmonic** *mus* [Function]
 Convert music variable *mus* to harmonics.
- make-line-stencil** *width startx starty endx endy* [Function]
 Make a line stencil of given line width and set its extents accordingly.
- ly:make-listener** *callback* [Function]
 This is a compatibility wrapper for creating a ‘listener’ for use with `ly:add-listener` from a *callback* taking a single argument. Since listeners are equivalent to callbacks, this is no longer needed.
- make-modal-inverter** *around to scale* [Function]
 Wrapper function for `inverter-factory`.
- make-modal-transposer** *from to scale* [Function]
 Wrapper function for `transposer-factory`.
- ly:make-moment** *m g gn gd* [Function]
 Create a moment with rational main timing *m*, and optional grace timing *g*.
 A *moment* is a point in musical time. It consists of a pair of rationals (*m*, *g*), where *m* is the timing for the main notes, and *g* the timing for grace notes. In absence of grace notes, *g* is zero.
 For compatibility reasons, it is possible to write two numbers specifying numerator and denominator instead of the rationals. These forms cannot be mixed, and the two-argument form is disambiguated by the sign of the second argument: if it is positive, it can only be a denominator and not a grace timing.
- ly:make-music** *props* [Function]
 Make a C++ Music object and initialize it with *props*.
 This function is for internal use and is only called by `make-music`, which is the preferred interface for creating music objects.
- make-music** *name . music-properties* [Function]
 Create a music object of given name, and set its properties according to `music-properties`, a list of alternating property symbols and values. Example:
- ```
(make-music 'OverrideProperty
 'symbol 'Stem
 'grob-property 'thickness
 'grob-value (* 2 1.5))
```
- Instead of a successive symbol and value, an entry in the list may also be an alist or a music object in which case its elements, respectively its *mutable* property list (properties not inherent to the type of the music object), are taken.  
 The argument list will be interpreted left to right, so later entries override earlier ones.

- ly:make-music-function** *signature func* [Function]  
 Make a function to process music, to be used for the parser. *func* is the function, and *signature* describes its arguments. *signature*'s cdr is a list containing either **ly:music?** predicates or other type predicates. Its car is the syntax function to call.
- ly:make-music-relative!** *music pitch* [Function]  
 Make *music* relative to *pitch*, return final pitch.
- ly:make-output-def** [Function]  
 Make an output definition.
- make-oval-stencil** *x-radius y-radius thickness fill* [Function]  
 Make an oval from two Bézier curves, of x radius *x-radius*, y radius *y-radius*, and thickness *thickness* with fill defined by *fill*.
- ly:make-page-label-marker** *label* [Function]  
 Return page marker with label *label*.
- ly:make-page-permission-marker** *symbol permission* [Function]  
 Return page marker with page breaking and turning permissions.
- ly:make-pango-description-string** *chain size* [Function]  
 Make a PangoFontDescription string for the property alist *chain* at size *size*.
- ly:make-paper-outputter** *port alist default-callback* [Function]  
 Create an outputter dumping to *port*. *alist* should map symbols to procedures. See file `output-ps.scm` for an example. If *default-callback* is given, it is called for unsupported expressions.
- make-part-combine-context-changes** *state-machine split-list* [Function]  
 Generate a sequence of part combiner context changes from a split list.
- make-part-combine-marks** *state-machine split-list* [Function]  
 Generate a sequence of part combiner events from a split list.
- make-partial-ellipse-stencil** *x-radius y-radius start-angle end-angle thick connect fill* [Function]  
 Create an elliptical arc. *x-radius* is the x radius of the arc. *y-radius* is the y radius of the arc. *start-angle* is the starting angle of the arc (in degrees). *end-angle* is the ending angle of the arc (in degrees). *thick* is the thickness of the line. *connect* is a boolean flag indicating whether the end should be connected to the start by a line. *fill* is a boolean flag indicating whether the shape should be filled.
- make-path-stencil** *path thickness x-scale y-scale fill* [Function]  
 Make a stencil based on the path described by the list *path*, with thickness *thickness*, and scaled by *x-scale* in the x direction and *y-scale* in the y direction. *fill* is a boolean argument that specifies whether the path should be filled. Valid path commands are  
     **moveto rmoveto lineto rlineto curveto rcurveto closepath**  
 and their standard SVG single-letter equivalents  
     **M m L l C c Z z**
- ly:make-pitch** *octave note alter* [Function]  
 Make a pitch. *octave* is specified by an integer, zero for the octave containing middle C. *note* is a number indexing the global default scale, with 0 corresponding to pitch C and 6 usually corresponding to pitch B. Optional *alter* is a rational number of 200-cent whole tones for alteration.

- ly:make-prob** *type init rest* [Function]  
Create a **Prob** object.
- make-repeat** *name times main alts* [Function]  
Create a repeat music expression, with all properties initialized properly.
- ly:make-rotation** *angle center* [Function]  
Make a transform rotating by *angle* in degrees. If *center* is given as a pair of coordinates, it is the center of the rotation, otherwise the rotation is around (0, 0).
- ly:make-scale** *steps* [Function]  
Create a scale. The argument is a vector of rational numbers, each of which represents the number of 200-cent tones of a pitch above the tonic.
- ly:make-scaling** *scale scaley* [Function]  
Create a scaling transform from argument *scale* and optionally *scaley*. When both arguments are given, they must be real and give the scale in x and y direction. If only *scale* is given, it may also be complex to indicate a scaled rotation in the manner of complex number rotations, or a pair of reals for specifying different scales in x and y direction like with the first calling convention.
- ly:make-score** *music* [Function]  
Return score with *music* encapsulated in it.
- make-semitone->pitch** *pitches* [Function]  
Convert *pitches*, an unordered list of note values covering (after disregarding octaves) all absolute pitches in need of conversion, into a function converting semitone numbers (absolute pitch missing enharmonic information) back into note values.  
For a key signature without accidentals  
c cis d es e f fis g gis a bes b  
might be a good choice, covering Bb major to A major and their parallel keys, and melodic/harmonic C minor to A minor.
- ly:make-spring** *ideal min-dist* [Function]  
Make a spring. *ideal* is the ideal distance of the spring, and *min-dist* is the minimum distance.
- ly:make-stencil** *expr xext yext* [Function]  
Stencils are device independent output expressions. They carry two pieces of information:
1. A specification of how to print this object. This specification is processed by the output backends, for example **scm/output-ps.scm**.
  2. The vertical and horizontal extents of the object, given as pairs. If an extent is unspecified (or if you use **empty-interval** as its value), it is taken to be empty.
- make-stencil-boxer** *thickness padding callback* [Function]  
Return function that adds a box around the grob passed as argument.
- make-stencil-circler** *thickness padding callback* [Function]  
Return function that adds a circle around the grob passed as argument.
- ly:make-stream-event** *cl proplist* [Function]  
Create a stream event of class *cl* with the given mutable property list.
- make-tmpfile** *basename* [Function]  
Return a temporary file (as a Scheme port). If *basename* is **#f**, a file in the directory given by the environment variable **\$TMPDIR** is created.

**ly:make-transform** *xx yx xy yy x0 y0* [Function]

Create a transform. Without options, it is the identity transform. Given four arguments *xx*, *yx*, *xy*, and *yy*, it is a linear transform. Given six arguments (with *x0* and *y0* last), it is an affine transform.

Transforms can be called as functions on other transforms (concatening them) or on points given either as complex number or real number pair. See also **ly:make-rotation**, **ly:make-scaling**, and **ly:make-translation**.

**ly:make-translation** *x y* [Function]

Make a transform translating by *x* and *y*. If only *x* is given, it can also be a complex number or a pair of numbers indicating the offset to use.

**make-transparent-box-stencil** *xext yext* [Function]

Make a transparent box.

**ly:make-unpure-pure-container** *unpure pure* [Function]

Make an unpure-pure container. *unpure* should be an unpure expression, and *pure* should be a pure expression. If *pure* is omitted, the value of *unpure* will be used twice, except that a callback is given two extra arguments that are ignored for the sake of pure calculations.

**map-selected-alist-keys** *function keys alist* [Function]

Return *alist* with *function* applied to all of the values in list *keys*. Example:

```
(map-selected-alist-keys - '(a b) '((a . 1) (b . -2) (c . 3) (d . 4)))
⇒ ((a . -1) (b . 2) (c . 3) (d . 4))
```

**map-some-music** *map? music* [Function]

Walk through *music*, transform all elements calling *map?* and only recurse if this returns **#f**. **elements** or **articulations** that are not music expressions are discarded: this allows some amount of filtering.

**map-some-music** may overwrite the original *music*.

**markup->string** *m . lambda\*:G18* [Function]

Convert a markup or markup list to an approximate string representation. This is useful for, e.g., PDF metadata and MIDI markers.

The optional named *layout* and *props* argument are an output definition and a property alist chain, like the ones that are used when interpreting markups.

**markup-command-list?** *x* [Function]

Check whether *x* is a markup command list, i.e., a list composed of a markup list function and its arguments.

**markup-default-to-string-method** *layout props . args* [Function]

The default **markup->string** handler for markups, used when **markup->string** encounters a markup that has no special **as-string** expression defined. This applies **markup->string** on all markup arguments and joins the results, separating them with spaces.

**markup-list?** *arg* [Function]

Return a true value if *x* is a list of markups or markup command lists.

**measure-counter::text** *grob* [Function]

A number for a measure count. Broken measures are numbered in parentheses. When the counter spans several measures (like with compressed multi-measure rests), it displays a measure range.

- mensural-flag** *grob* [Function]  
 Mensural flags: Create the flag stencil by loading the glyph from the font. Flags are always aligned with staff lines, so we need to check the end point of the stem: For stems ending on staff lines, use different flags than for notes between staff lines. The idea is that flags are always vertically aligned with the staff lines, regardless of whether the note head is on a staff line or between two staff lines. In other words, the inner end of a flag always touches a staff line.
- ly:message** *str rest* [Function]  
 A Scheme callable function to issue the message *str*. The message is formatted with **format**; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).
- middle-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]  
 Is *spanner* broken and among the middle broken pieces (i.e., neither the first nor the last)?
- midi-program** *instrument* [Function]  
 Return the program of the instrument.
- ly:minimal-breaking** *pb* [Function]  
 Break (pages and lines) the **Paper\_book** object *pb* without looking for optimal spacing: stack as many lines on a page before moving to the next one.
- ly:mm** *num* [Function]  
*num* mm.
- mmrest-of-length** *mus* [Function]  
 Create a multi-measure rest of exactly the same length as *mus*.
- modern-straight-flag** *grob* [Function]  
 Modern straight flag style (for composers like Stockhausen, Boulez, etc.). The angles are 18 and 22 degrees and thus smaller than for the ancient style of Bach, etc.
- ly:module->alist** *mod* [Function]  
 Dump the contents of module *mod* as an alist.
- ly:module-copy** *dest src* [Function]  
 Copy all bindings from module *src* into *dest*.
- ly:modules-lookup** *modules sym def* [Function]  
 Look up *sym* in the list *modules*, returning the first occurrence. If not found, return *def* or **#f** if *def* isn't specified.
- ly:moment?** *x* [Function]  
 Is *x* a smob of class **Moment**?
- ly:moment<?** *a b* [Function]  
 Compare two moments.
- ly:moment-add** *a b* [Function]  
 Add two moments.
- ly:moment-div** *a b* [Function]  
 Divide two moments.
- ly:moment-grace** *mom* [Function]  
 Extract grace timing as a rational number from *mom*.

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| <code>ly:moment-grace-denominator <i>mom</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                | [Function] |
| Extract denominator from grace timing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>ly:moment-grace-numerator <i>mom</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Extract numerator from grace timing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |            |
| <code>ly:moment-main <i>mom</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | [Function] |
| Extract main timing as a rational number from <i>mom</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |
| <code>ly:moment-main-denominator <i>mom</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | [Function] |
| Extract denominator from main timing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:moment-main-numerator <i>mom</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Extract numerator from main timing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |            |
| <code>ly:moment-mod <i>a b</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [Function] |
| Modulo of two moments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>ly:moment-mul <i>a b</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [Function] |
| Multiply two moments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:moment-sub <i>a b</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [Function] |
| Subtract two moments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:music? <i>obj</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Is <i>obj</i> a Music object?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |            |
| <code>music-&gt;make-music <i>obj</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | [Function] |
| Generate an expression that, once evaluated, may return an object equivalent to <i>obj</i> , that is, for a music expression, a (make-music ...) form.                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>music-clone <i>music . music-properties</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Clone <i>music</i> and set properties according to <i>music-properties</i> , a list of alternating property symbols and values:                                                                                                                                    |            |
| <code>(music-clone start-span 'span-direction STOP)</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |
| Only properties that are not overridden by <i>music-properties</i> are actually fully cloned.                                                                                                                                                                      |            |
| <code>ly:music-compress <i>mus scale</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Compress <i>mus</i> by <i>scale</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:music-deep-copy <i>m origin</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Copy <i>m</i> and all sub expressions of <i>m</i> . <i>m</i> may be an arbitrary type; cons cells and music are copied recursively. If <i>origin</i> is given, it is used as the origin for one level of music by calling <code>ly:set-origin!</code> on the copy. |            |
| <code>ly:music-duration-compress <i>mus fact</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                            | [Function] |
| Compress <i>mus</i> by factor <i>fact</i> , which is a Moment.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |            |
| <code>ly:music-duration-length <i>mus</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Extract the duration field from <i>mus</i> and return the length.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <code>music-filter <i>pred? music</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | [Function] |
| Filter out music expressions that do not satisfy <i>pred?</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                    |            |
| <code>ly:music-function? <i>x</i></code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Is <i>x</i> a smob of class Music_function?                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |            |

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| <code>ly:music-function-extract</code> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Return the Scheme function inside <i>x</i> .                                                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>ly:music-function-signature</code> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                                        | [Function] |
| Return the function signature inside <i>x</i> .                                                                                                                                          |            |
| <code>music-is-of-type?</code> <i>mus type</i>                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Does <i>mus</i> belong to the music class <i>type</i> ?                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <code>ly:music-length</code> <i>mus</i>                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Get the length of music expression <i>mus</i> and return it as a <b>Moment</b> object.                                                                                                   |            |
| <code>ly:music-list?</code> <i>lst</i>                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Is <i>lst</i> a list of music objects?                                                                                                                                                   |            |
| <code>music-map</code> <i>function music</i>                                                                                                                                             | [Function] |
| Apply <i>function</i> to <i>music</i> and all of the music it contains.<br>First it recurses over the children, then the function is applied to <i>music</i> .                           |            |
| <code>ly:music-mutable-properties</code> <i>mus</i>                                                                                                                                      | [Function] |
| Return an alist containing the mutable properties of <i>mus</i> . The immutable properties are not available, since they are constant and initialized by the <b>make-music</b> function. |            |
| <code>ly:music-output?</code> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <b>Music_output</b> ?                                                                                                                                        |            |
| <code>music-pitches</code> <i>music</i>                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Return a list of all pitches from <i>music</i> .                                                                                                                                         |            |
| <code>ly:music-property</code> <i>mus sym val</i>                                                                                                                                        | [Function] |
| Return the value for property <i>sym</i> of music expression <i>mus</i> . If no value is found, return <i>val</i> or '() if <i>val</i> is not specified.                                 |            |
| <code>music-selective-filter</code> <i>descend? pred? music</i>                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Recursively filter out music expressions that do not satisfy <i>pred?</i> , but refrain from filtering the subexpressions of music that does not satisfy <i>descend?</i> .               |            |
| <code>music-selective-map</code> <i>descend? function music</i>                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Apply <i>function</i> recursively to <i>music</i> , but refrain from mapping subexpressions of music that does not satisfy <i>descend?</i> .                                             |            |
| <code>music-separator?</code> <i>m</i>                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Is <i>m</i> a separator?                                                                                                                                                                 |            |
| <code>ly:music-set-property!</code> <i>mus sym val</i>                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Set property <i>sym</i> in music expression <i>mus</i> to <i>val</i> .                                                                                                                   |            |
| <code>ly:music-start</code> <i>mus</i>                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Get the start of music expression <i>mus</i> and return it as a <b>Moment</b> object.                                                                                                    |            |
| <code>ly:music-transpose</code> <i>m p</i>                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Transpose <i>m</i> such that central C is mapped to <i>p</i> . Return <i>m</i> .                                                                                                         |            |
| <code>music-type-predicate</code> <i>types</i>                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Return a predicate function that can be used for checking music to have one of the types listed in <i>types</i> .                                                                        |            |



- neo-modern-accidental-rule** *context pitch barnum* [Function]  
 An accidental rule that typesets an accidental if it differs from the key signature *and* does not directly follow a note on the same staff line. This rule should not be used alone because it does neither look at bar lines nor different accidentals at the same note name.
- no-flag** *grob* [Function]  
 No flag: Simply return empty stencil.
- normal-flag** *grob* [Function]  
 Create a default flag.
- not-first-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]  
 Is *spanner* broken *and* not the first of its broken siblings? The name is read “(not first) and broken”.
- not-last-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]  
 Is *spanner* broken *and* not the last of its broken siblings? The name is read “(not last) and broken”.
- ly:note-column-accidentals** *note-column* [Function]  
 Return the AccidentalPlacement grob from *note-column* if any, or SCM\_EOL otherwise.
- ly:note-column-dot-column** *note-column* [Function]  
 Return the DotColumn grob from *note-column* if any, or SCM\_EOL otherwise.
- ly:note-head::stem-attachment** *font-metric glyph-name direction* [Function]  
 Get attachment in *font-metric* for attaching a stem to notehead *glyph-name* in the direction *direction* (default UP).
- note-name->markup** *pitch lowercase?* [Function]  
 Return pitch markup for *pitch*, including accidentals printed as glyphs. If *lowercase?* is set to false, the note names are capitalized.
- note-name->string** *pitch . language* [Function]  
 Return pitch string for *pitch*, without accidentals or octaves. Current input language is used for pitch names, except if an other *language* is specified.
- note-to-cluster** *music* [Function]  
 Replace NoteEvents by ClusterNoteEvents.
- ly:number->string** *s* [Function]  
 Convert *s* to a string without generating many decimals.
- number-format** *number-type num . custom-format* [Function]  
 Print *num* according to the requested *number-type*. Choices include **roman-lower** (the default), **roman-upper**, **arabic**, and **custom**. For **custom**, *custom-format* must be present; it gets applied to *num*.
- offset-fret** *fret-offset diagram-definition* [Function]  
 Add *fret-offset* to each fret indication in *diagram-definition* and return the resulting verbose *fret-diagram-definition*.
- offsetter** *property offsets* [Function]  
 Apply *offsets* to the default values of *property* of *grob*. Offsets are restricted to immutable properties and values of type **number**, **number-pair**, or **number-pair-list**.

- old-straight-flag** *grob* [Function]  
 Old straight flag style (for composers like Bach). The angles of the flags are both 45 degrees.
- ly:one-line-auto-height-breaking** *pb* [Function]  
 Put each score on a single line, and put each line on its own page. Modify the **paper-width** setting so that every page is wider than the widest line. Modify the **paper-height** setting to fit the height of the tallest line.
- ly:one-line-breaking** *pb* [Function]  
 Put each score on a single line, and put each line on its own page. Modify the **paper-width** setting so that every page is wider than the widest line.
- ly:one-page-breaking** *pb* [Function]  
 Put each score on a single page. The **paper-height** settings are modified so each score fits on one page, and the height of the page matches the height of the full score.
- ly:optimal-breaking** *pb* [Function]  
 Optimally break (pages and lines) the **Paper\_book** object *pb* to minimize badness for both vertical and horizontal spacing.
- ly:option-usage** *port* [Function]  
 Print **ly:set-option** usage. Optional *port* argument for the destination defaults to current output port.
- ly:otf->cff** *otf-file-name idx* [Function]  
 Convert the contents of an OTF file to a CFF file, returning it as a string. The optional *idx* argument is useful for OpenType/CFF collections (OTC) only; it specifies the font index within the OTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.
- ly:otf-font?** *font* [Function]  
 Is *font* an OpenType font?
- ly:otf-font-glyph-info** *font glyph* [Function]  
 Given the font metric *font* of an OpenType font, return the information about named glyph *glyph* (a string).
- ly:otf-font-table-data** *font tag* [Function]  
 Extract a table *tag* from *font*. Return empty string for non-existent *tag*.
- ly:otf-glyph-count** *font* [Function]  
 Return the number of glyphs in *font*.
- ly:otf-glyph-list** *font* [Function]  
 Return a list of glyph names for *font*.
- ly:output-def?** *x* [Function]  
 Is *x* a smob of class **Output\_def**?
- ly:output-def-clone** *def* [Function]  
 Clone output definition *def*.
- ly:output-def-lookup** *def sym val* [Function]  
 Return the value of *sym* in output definition *def* (e.g., **\paper**). If no value is found, return *val* or '()' if *val* is undefined.
- ly:output-def-parent** *def* [Function]  
 Return the parent output definition of *def*.

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| <code>ly:output-def-scope</code> <i>def</i>                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Return the variable scope inside <i>def</i> .                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>ly:output-def-set-variable!</code> <i>def sym val</i>                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Set an output definition <i>def</i> variable <i>sym</i> to <i>val</i> .                                                                                   |            |
| <code>ly:output-description</code> <i>output-def</i>                                                                                                      | [Function] |
| Return the description of translators in <i>output-def</i> .                                                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:output-find-context-def</code> <i>output-def context-name</i>                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Return an alist of all context defs (matching <i>context-name</i> if given) in <i>output-def</i> .                                                        |            |
| <code>output-module?</code> <i>module</i>                                                                                                                 | [Function] |
| Return <code>#t</code> if <i>module</i> belongs to an output module usually carrying context definitions ( <code>\midi</code> or <code>\layout</code> ).  |            |
| <code>ly:outputter-close</code> <i>outputter</i>                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Close port of <i>outputter</i> .                                                                                                                          |            |
| <code>ly:outputter-dump-stencil</code> <i>outputter stencil</i>                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Dump stencil <i>expr</i> onto <i>outputter</i> .                                                                                                          |            |
| <code>ly:outputter-dump-string</code> <i>outputter str</i>                                                                                                | [Function] |
| Dump <i>str</i> onto <i>outputter</i> .                                                                                                                   |            |
| <code>ly:outputter-output-scheme</code> <i>outputter expr</i>                                                                                             | [Function] |
| Output <i>expr</i> to the paper outputter.                                                                                                                |            |
| <code>ly:outputter-port</code> <i>outputter</i>                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Return output port for <i>outputter</i> .                                                                                                                 |            |
| <code>oval-stencil</code> <i>stencil thickness x-padding y-padding</i>                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Add an oval around <i>stencil</i> , padded by the padding pair, producing a new stencil.                                                                  |            |
| <code>override-head-style</code> <i>heads style</i>                                                                                                       | [Function] |
| Override style for <i>heads</i> to <i>style</i> .                                                                                                         |            |
| <code>override-time-signature-setting</code> <i>time-signature setting</i>                                                                                | [Function] |
| Override the time signature settings for the context in <i>time-signature</i> , with the new setting alist <i>setting</i> .                               |            |
| <code>ly:page-marker?</code> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                     | [Function] |
| Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Page_marker?</code>                                                                                                     |            |
| <code>ly:page-turn-breaking</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                              | [Function] |
| Optimally break (pages and lines) the <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> such that page turns only happen in specified places, returning its pages. |            |
| <code>ly:pango-font?</code> <i>f</i>                                                                                                                      | [Function] |
| Is <i>f</i> a Pango font?                                                                                                                                 |            |
| <code>ly:pango-font-physical-fonts</code> <i>f</i>                                                                                                        | [Function] |
| Return alist of (ps-name file-name font-index) lists for Pango font <i>f</i> .                                                                            |            |
| <code>pango-pf-file-name</code> <i>pango-pf</i>                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Return the file name of the Pango physical font <i>pango-pf</i> .                                                                                         |            |

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| <code>pango-pf-font-name</code> <i>pango-pf</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Return the font name of the Pango physical font <i>pango-pf</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>pango-pf-fontindex</code> <i>pango-pf</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Return the font index of the Pango physical font <i>pango-pf</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                            |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book?</code> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Paper_book</code> ?                                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-header</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Return the header definition ( <code>\header</code> ) in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                           |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-pages</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Return pages in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                    |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-paper</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Return the paper output definition ( <code>\paper</code> ) in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                      |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-performances</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                             | [Function] |
| Return performances in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                             |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-scopes</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [Function] |
| Return scopes in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                   |            |
| <code>ly:paper-book-systems</code> <i>pb</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Return systems in <code>Paper_book</code> object <i>pb</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <code>ly:paper-column::break-align-width</code> <i>col align-syms</i>                                                                                                                                                                                         | [Function] |
| Determine the extent along the x axis of a grob used for break alignment organized by column <i>col</i> . The grob is specified by <i>align-syms</i> , which contains either a single <code>break-align-symbol</code> or a list of such symbols.              |            |
| <code>ly:paper-column::print</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Optional stencil for <code>PaperColumn</code> or <code>NonMusicalPaperColumn</code> . Draws the <i>rank number</i> of each column, its moment in time, a blue arrow showing the ideal distance, and a red arrow showing the minimum distance between columns. |            |
| <code>ly:paper-fonts</code> <i>def</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | [Function] |
| Return a list containing the fonts from output definition <i>def</i> (e.g., <code>\paper</code> ).                                                                                                                                                            |            |
| <code>ly:paper-get-font</code> <i>def chain</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Find a font metric in output definition <i>def</i> satisfying the font qualifiers in alist chain <i>chain</i> , and return it. (An alist chain is a list of alists, containing grob properties.)                                                              |            |
| <code>ly:paper-get-number</code> <i>def sym</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Return the value of variable <i>sym</i> in output definition <i>def</i> as a double.                                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| <code>ly:paper-outputscales</code> <i>def</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | [Function] |
| Return the <code>output-scale</code> for output definition <i>def</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                       |            |
| <code>ly:paper-score-paper-systems</code> <i>paper-score</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Return vector of <code>paper_system</code> objects from <i>paper-score</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <code>ly:paper-system?</code> <i>obj</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | [Function] |
| Is <i>obj</i> a C++ Prob object of type <code>paper-system</code> ?                                                                                                                                                                                           |            |
| <code>ly:paper-system-minimum-distance</code> <i>sys1 sys2</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                | [Function] |
| Measure the minimum distance between two paper system Probs <i>sys1</i> and <i>sys2</i> , using their stored skylines if possible and falling back to their extents otherwise.                                                                                |            |

- parenthesize-stencil** *stencil half-thickness width angularity padding* [Function]  
Add parentheses around *stencil*, returning a new stencil.
- ly:parse-file** *name* [Function]  
Parse a single .ly file. Upon failure, throw **ly-file-failed** key.
- ly:parse-init** *name* [Function]  
Parse the init file *name*.
- ly:parse-string-expression** *parser-smob ly-code filename line* [Function]  
Parse the string *ly-code* with *parser-smob*. Return the contained music expression. *filename* and *line* are optional source indicators.
- parse-terse-string** *terse-definition* [Function]  
Parse a **fret-diagram-terse** definition string *terse-definition* and return a marking list, which can be used with a fretboard grob.
- ly:parsed-undead-list!** [Function]  
Return the list of objects that have been found alive but should have been dead, and clear that list.
- ly:parser-clear-error** *parser* [Function]  
Clear error flag for *parser*, defaulting to current parser.
- ly:parser-clone** *closures location* [Function]  
Return a clone of current parser. An association list of port positions to closures can be specified in *closures* in order to have **\$** and **#** interpreted in their original lexical environment. If *location* is a valid location, it becomes the source of all music expressions inside.
- ly:parser-define!** *symbol val* [Function]  
Bind *symbol* to *val* in current parser's module.
- ly:parser-error** *msg input* [Function]  
Display an error message and make current parser fail. Without a current parser, trigger an ordinary error.
- ly:parser-has-error?** *parser* [Function]  
Does *parser* (defaulting to current parser) have an error flag?
- ly:parser-include-string** *ly-code* [Function]  
Include the string *ly-code* into the input stream for current parser. Can only be used in immediate Scheme expressions (**\$** instead of **#**).
- ly:parser-lookup** *symbol* [Function]  
Look up *symbol* in current parser's module. Return '() if not defined.
- ly:parser-output-name** *parser* [Function]  
Return the base name of the output file. If *parser* is left off, use currently active parser.
- ly:parser-parse-string** *parser-smob ly-code* [Function]  
Parse the string *ly-code* with *parser-smob*. Upon failure, throw **ly-file-failed** key.
- ly:parser-set-note-names** *names* [Function]  
Replace current note names in parser. *names* is an alist of symbols. This only has effect if the current mode is notes.
- percussion?** *instrument* [Function]  
Return **#t** if the instrument should use MIDI channel 9.

- ly:performance-headers** *performance* [Function]  
Return the list of headers with the innermost first.
- ly:performance-write** *performance filename name* [Function]  
Write *performance* to *filename* storing *name* as the name of the performance in the file metadata.
- ly:pitch?** *x* [Function]  
Is *x* a smob of class *Pitch*?
- ly:pitch<?** *p1 p2* [Function]  
Is *p1* lexicographically smaller than *p2*?
- ly:pitch-alteration** *pp* [Function]  
Extract the alteration from pitch *pp*.
- ly:pitch-diff** *pitch root* [Function]  
Return pitch *delta* such that *root* transposed by *delta* equals *pitch*.
- ly:pitch-negate** *p* [Function]  
Negate pitch *p*.
- ly:pitch-notename** *pp* [Function]  
Extract the note name from pitch *pp*.
- ly:pitch-octave** *pp* [Function]  
Extract the octave from pitch *pp*.
- ly:pitch-quartertones** *pp* [Function]  
Calculate the number of quarter tones of pitch *pp* from middle C.
- ly:pitch-semitones** *pp* [Function]  
Calculate the number of semitones of pitch *pp* from middle C.
- ly:pitch-steps** *p* [Function]  
Number of steps counted from middle C of the pitch *p*.
- ly:pitch-tones** *pp* [Function]  
Calculate the number of tones of pitch *pp* from middle C as a rational number.
- ly:pitch-transpose** *p delta* [Function]  
Transpose pitch *p* by the amount *delta*, where *delta* is relative to middle C.
- ly:pointer-group-interface::add-grob** *grob sym grob-element* [Function]  
Add *grob-element* to *grob*'s *sym* grob array.
- polar->rectangular** *radius angle-in-degrees* [Function]  
Return polar coordinates (*radius*, *angle-in-degrees*) as rectangular coordinates (*x-length* . *y-length*).
- ly:position-on-line?** *sg spos* [Function]  
Return whether *spos* is on a line of the staff associated with the grob *sg* (even on an extender line).
- prepend-alist-chain** *key val chain* [Function]  
Convenience to make a new alist chain from *chain* by prepending a binding of *key* to *val*. This is similar to *acons*, for alist chains (lists of alists).

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| <b>ly:prob?</b> <i>x</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                    | [Function] |
| Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <b>Prob</b> ?                                                                                                                                                                                   |            |
| <b>ly:prob-immutable-properties</b> <i>prob</i>                                                                                                                                                                             | [Function] |
| Retrieve an alist of immutable properties.                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <b>ly:prob-mutable-properties</b> <i>prob</i>                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Retrieve an alist of mutable properties.                                                                                                                                                                                    |            |
| <b>ly:prob-property</b> <i>prob sym val</i>                                                                                                                                                                                 | [Function] |
| Return the value for property <i>sym</i> of <b>Prob</b> object <i>prob</i> . If no value is found, return <i>val</i> or '()' if <i>val</i> is not specified.                                                                |            |
| <b>ly:prob-property?</b> <i>obj sym</i>                                                                                                                                                                                     | [Function] |
| Is boolean prop <i>sym</i> of <i>obj</i> set?                                                                                                                                                                               |            |
| <b>ly:prob-set-property!</b> <i>obj sym value</i>                                                                                                                                                                           | [Function] |
| Set property <i>sym</i> of <i>obj</i> to <i>value</i> .                                                                                                                                                                     |            |
| <b>ly:prob-type?</b> <i>obj type</i>                                                                                                                                                                                        | [Function] |
| Is <i>obj</i> the specified prob type?                                                                                                                                                                                      |            |
| <b>ly:programming-error</b> <i>str rest</i>                                                                                                                                                                                 | [Function] |
| A Scheme callable function to issue the internal warning <i>str</i> . The message is formatted with <b>format</b> ; <i>rest</i> holds the formatting arguments (if any).                                                    |            |
| <b>ly:progress</b> <i>str rest</i>                                                                                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| A Scheme callable function to print progress <i>str</i> . The message is formatted with <b>format</b> ; <i>rest</i> holds the formatting arguments (if any).                                                                |            |
| <b>ly:property-lookup-stats</b> <i>sym</i>                                                                                                                                                                                  | [Function] |
| Return hash table with a property access corresponding to <i>sym</i> . Choices are <b>prob</b> , <b>grob</b> , and <b>context</b> .                                                                                         |            |
| <b>ly:protects</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Return hash of protected objects.                                                                                                                                                                                           |            |
| <b>ly:pt</b> <i>num</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | [Function] |
| <i>num</i> printer points.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
| <b>ly:pure-call</b> <i>data grob start end rest</i>                                                                                                                                                                         | [Function] |
| Convert property <i>data</i> (unpure-pure container or procedure) to value in a pure context defined by <i>grob</i> , <i>start</i> , <i>end</i> , and possibly <i>rest</i> arguments.                                       |            |
| <b>pure-chain-offset-callback</b> <i>grob start end prev-offset</i>                                                                                                                                                         | [Function] |
| Sometimes, a chained offset callback is unpure and there is no way to write a pure function that estimates its behavior. In this case, we use a pure equivalent that will simply pass the previous calculated offset value. |            |
| <b>ly:randomize-rand-seed</b>                                                                                                                                                                                               | [Function] |
| Randomize C random generator.                                                                                                                                                                                               |            |
| <b>ratio-&gt;fret</b> <i>ratio</i>                                                                                                                                                                                          | [Function] |
| Calculate a fret number given <i>ratio</i> for the harmonic.                                                                                                                                                                |            |
| <b>ratio-&gt;pitch</b> <i>ratio</i>                                                                                                                                                                                         | [Function] |
| Calculate a pitch given <i>ratio</i> for the harmonic.                                                                                                                                                                      |            |

- read-lily-expression** *chr port* [Function]  
 Read a lilypond music expression enclosed within `#{` and `#}` from *port* and return the corresponding Scheme music expression. ‘\$’ and ‘#’ introduce immediate and normal Scheme forms.
- recording-group-emulate** *music odef* [Function]  
 Interpret *music* according to *odef*, but store all events in a chronological list, similar to the `Recording_group_engraver` in LilyPond version 2.8 and earlier.
- ly:register-stencil-expression** *symbol* [Function]  
 Add *symbol* as head of a stencil expression.
- ly:register-translator** *creator name description* [Function]  
 Register a translator *creator* (usually a descriptive alist or a function/closure returning one when given a context argument) with the given symbol *name* and the given *description* alist.
- ly:relative-group-extent** *elements common axis* [Function]  
 Determine the extent of *elements* relative to *common* in the *axis* direction.
- remove-grace-property** *context-name grob sym* [Function]  
 Remove all *sym* for *grob* in *context-name*.
- remove-whitespace** *strg* [Function]  
 Remove characters satisfying `char-whitespace?` from string *strg*.
- ly:rename-file** *oldname newname* [Function]  
 Rename *oldname* to *newname*. In contrast to Guile’s `rename-file` function, this replaces the destination if it already exists. On Windows, fall back to copying the file contents if *newname* cannot be deleted.
- ly:reset-all-fonts** [Function]  
 Forget all about previously loaded fonts.
- retrieve-glyph-flag** *flag-style dir dir-modifier grob* [Function]  
 Load the correct flag glyph from the font.
- retrograde-music** *music* [Function]  
 Return *music* in retrograde (reversed) order.
- revert-fontSize** *func-name mag* [Function]  
 Used by `\magnifyMusic` and `\magnifyStaff`. Calculate the previous `fontSize` value (before scaling) by factoring out the magnification factor *mag* (if *func-name* is ‘`magnifyMusic`’), or by factoring out the context property `magnifyStaffValue` (if *func-name* is ‘`magnifyStaff`’). Revert the `fontSize` in the appropriate context accordingly.  
 With `\magnifyMusic`, the scaling is reverted after the music block it operates on. `\magnifyStaff` does not operate on a music block, so the scaling from a previous call (if there is one) is reverted before the new scaling takes effect.
- revert-head-style** *heads* [Function]  
 Revert style for *heads*.
- revert-props** *func-name mag props* [Function]  
 Used by `\magnifyMusic` and `\magnifyStaff`. Revert each prop in *props* in the appropriate context. *func-name* is either ‘`magnifyMusic`’ or ‘`magnifyStaff`’. The *props* list is formatted like:
- ```
'((Stem thickness)
  (Slur line-thickness)
  ...)
```


- ly:round-filled-box** *xext yext blot* [Function]
 Make a **Stencil** object that prints a black box of dimensions *xext*, *yext* and roundness *blot*.
- ly:round-polygon** *points blot extroversion filled-scm* [Function]
 Make a **Stencil** object that prints a black polygon with corners at the points defined by *points* (list of coordinate pairs) and roundness *blot*. Optional *extroversion* shifts the outline outward, with the default of 0 keeping the middle of the line just on the polygon.
- rounded-box-stencil** *stencil thickness padding blot* [Function]
 Add a rounded box around *stencil*, producing a new stencil.
- ly:run-translator** *mus output-def* [Function]
 Process *mus* according to *output-def*. An interpretation context is set up, and *mus* is interpreted with it. The context is returned in its final state.
 Optionally, this routine takes an object key to uniquely identify the score block containing it.
- scale-beam-thickness** *mag* [Function]
 Used by **\magnifyMusic**. Scaling **Beam.beam-thickness** exactly to the *mag* value will not work. This uses two reference values for **beam-thickness** to determine an acceptable value when scaling, then does the equivalent of a **\temporary \override** with the new value.
- scale-fontSize** *func-name mag* [Function]
 Used by **\magnifyMusic** and **\magnifyStaff**. Look up the current **fontSize** in the appropriate context and scale it by the magnification factor *mag*. *func-name* is either 'magnifyMusic or 'magnifyStaff.
- scale-layout** *paper scale* [Function]
 Return a clone of *paper*, scaled by the given scale factor.
- scale-props** *func-name mag allowed-to-shrink? props* [Function]
 Used by **\magnifyMusic** and **\magnifyStaff**. For each prop in *props*, find the current value of the requested prop, scale it by the magnification factor *mag*, and do the equivalent of a **\temporary \override** with the new value in the appropriate context. If *allowed-to-shrink?* is #f, don't let the new value be less than the current value. *func-name* is either 'magnifyMusic or 'magnifyStaff. The *props* list is formatted like:
 '((Stem thickness)
 (Slur line-thickness)
 ...)
- ly:score?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class **Score**?
- ly:score-add-output-def!** *score def* [Function]
 Add an output definition *def* to *score*.
- ly:score-embedded-format** *score layout* [Function]
 Run *score* through *layout* (an output definition) scaled to correct **output-scale** already, returning a list of layout lines.
- ly:score-error?** *score* [Function]
 Was there an error in the score?
- ly:score-header** *score* [Function]
 Return score header.

- ly:score-music** *score* [Function]
Return score music.
- ly:score-output-defs** *score* [Function]
All output definitions in a score.
- ly:score-set-header!** *score module* [Function]
Set the score header.
- scorify-music** *music* [Function]
Preprocess *music*.
- seconds->moment** *s context* [Function]
Return a moment equivalent to *s* seconds at the current tempo.
- select-head-glyph** *style log* [Function]
Select a note head glyph string based on note head style *style* and duration log *log*.
- self-alignment-interface::self-aligned-on-breakable** *grob* [Function]
Return the *X*-offset that places *grob* according to its *self-alignment-X* over the reference point defined by the *break-align-anchor-alignment* of a break-aligned item such as a Clef.
- sequential-music-to-chord-exceptions** *seq . rest* [Function]
Transform sequential music *seq* of type
 <<c d e>>-\markup{ foobar }
to (cons *cde-pitches foobar-markup*), or to (cons *de-pitches foobar-markup*) if *omit-root* is given and non-false.
- set-accidental-style** *style . rest* [Function]
Set accidental style to *style*. Optionally take a context argument, e.g., 'Staff or 'Voice. The context defaults to Staff, except for piano styles, which use GrandStaff as a context.
- ly:set-color-names** *alist* [Function]
Define named colors for **ly:stencil-in-color**. *alist* has the entries of the format (*name . color*), where *color* is a list of length 3 (RGB) or 4 (RGB+alpha).
- ly:set-default-scale** *scale* [Function]
Set the global default scale. This determines the tuning of pitches with no accidentals or key signatures. The first pitch is C. Alterations are calculated relative to this scale. The number of pitches in this scale determines the number of scale steps that make up an octave. Usually the 7-note major scale.
- set-global-staff-size** *sz* [Function]
Set the default staff size, where *sz* is thought to be in points.
- ly:set-grob-creation-callback** *cb* [Function]
Specify a procedure that gets called every time a new grob is created. The callback receives as arguments the grob that was created, the name of the C++ source file that caused the grob to be created, and the corresponding line number in the C++ source file. Call with **#f** as argument to unset the callback.
- ly:set-grob-modification-callback** *cb* [Function]
Specify a procedure that gets called every time LilyPond modifies a grob property. The callback receives as arguments the grob that is being modified, the name of the C++ file in which the modification was requested, the line number in the C++ file in which the modification was

requested, the name of the function in which the modification was requested, the property to be changed, and the new value for the property. Call with **#f** as argument to unset the callback.

- ly:set-middle-C!** *context* [Function]
Set the `middleCPosition` variable in *context* based on the variables `middleCClefPosition` and `middleCOffset`.
- set-mus-properties!** *m alist* [Function]
Set all of *alist* as properties of *m*.
- ly:set-option** *var val* [Function]
Set a program option.
- ly:set-origin!** *m origin* [Function]
Set the origin given in *origin* to *m*. *m* is typically a music expression or a list of music. List structures are searched recursively, but recursion stops at the changed music expressions themselves.
origin is generally of type `ly:input-location?`, defaulting to `(*location*)`. Other valid values for *origin* are a music expression which is then used as the source of location information, or **#f** or `'()` in which case no action is performed. The return value is *m* itself.
- ly:set-property-cache-callback** *cb* [Function]
Specify a procedure that gets called whenever LilyPond calculates a callback function and caches the result. The callback receives as arguments the grob whose property it is, the name of the property, the name of the callback that calculated the property, and the new (cached) value of the property. Call with **#f** as argument to unset the callback.
- shift-one-duration-log** *music shift dot* [Function]
Add *shift* to `duration-log` of *'duration* in *music* and optionally *dot* to any note encountered. The number of dots in the shifted music may not be less than zero.
- shift-right-at-line-begin** *g* [Function]
Shift an item to the right, but only at the start of the line.
- skip->rest** *mus* [Function]
Replace *mus* by `RestEvent` of the same duration if it is a `SkipEvent`. Useful for extracting parts from crowded scores.
- skip-of-length** *mus* [Function]
Create a skip of exactly the same length as *mus*.
- skip-of-moment-span** *start-moment end-moment* [Function]
Make skip music fitting between *start-moment* and *end-moment*. The grace part of *end-moment* matters only if *start-moment* and *end-mom* have the same main part.
- ly:skyline?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Skyline`?
- ly:skyline-empty?** *sky* [Function]
Return whether skyline *sky* is empty.
- ly:skyline-pair?** *x* [Function]
Is *x* a smob of class `Skyline_pair`?
- ly:smob-protects** [Function]
Return LilyPond's internal smob protection list.

- ly:solve-spring-rod-problem** *springs rods length ragged* [Function]
 Solve a spring and rod problem for *count* objects that are connected by *count*-1 *springs*, and an arbitrary number of *rods*. *count* is implicitly given by *springs* and *rods*. The *springs* argument has the format (*ideal*, *inverse_hook*) and *rods* is of the form (*idx1*, *idx2*, *distance*).
length is a number, *ragged* a boolean.
 The function returns a list containing the force (positive for stretching, negative for compressing and *#f* for non-satisfied constraints) followed by *spring-count*+1 positions of the objects.
- ly:source-file?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class *Source_file*?
- ly:source-files** *parser-smob* [Function]
 Return a list of input files that have been opened up to here, including the files that have been closed already. A parser, *parser-smob*, may optionally be specified.
- ly:span-bar::before-line-breaking** *grob* [Function]
 A dummy callback that kills the *Grob grob* if it contains no elements.
- ly:span-bar::calc-glyph-name** *grob* [Function]
 Return the 'glyph-name' of the corresponding *BarLine* grob. The corresponding *SpanBar* glyph is computed within *span-bar::compound-bar-line*.
- span-bar::compound-bar-line** *grob bar-glyph extent* [Function]
 Build the stencil of the span bar.
- ly:span-bar::print** *grob* [Function]
 The print routine for span bars.
- ly:span-bar::width** *grob* [Function]
 Compute the width of the *SpanBar* stencil.
- Span_stem_engraver** *ctx* [Function]
 Connect cross-staff stems to the stems above in the system.
- ly:spanner?** *g* [Function]
 Is *g* a spanner object?
- ly:spanner-bound** *spanner dir* [Function]
 Get one of the bounds of *spanner*. *dir* is -1 for left, and 1 for right.
- ly:spanner-broken-into** *spanner* [Function]
 Return broken-into list for *spanner*.
- ly:spanner-set-bound!** *spanner dir item* [Function]
 Set grob *item* as bound in direction *dir* for *spanner*.
- ly:spawn** *command rest* [Function]
 Simple Scheme interface to the GLib function *g_spawn_sync*. If an error occurs, format it with *format* and *rest*.
- split-list-by-separator** *lst pred* [Function]
 Split *lst* at each element that satisfies *pred*, and return the parts (with the separators removed) as a list of lists. Example:

```
(split-list-by-separator '(a 0 b c 1 d) number?)
⇒ ((a) (b c) (d))
```

<code>ly:spring? x</code>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Spring</code> ?	
<code>ly:spring-set-inverse-compress-strength! spring strength</code>	[Function]
Set the inverse compress <i>strength</i> of <i>spring</i> .	
<code>ly:spring-set-inverse-stretch-strength! spring strength</code>	[Function]
Set the inverse stretch <i>strength</i> of <i>spring</i> .	
<code>stack-lines dir padding baseline stils</code>	[Function]
Stack stencils vertically with a baseline skip.	
<code>stack-stencil-line space stencils</code>	[Function]
Adjoin a list of <i>stencils</i> along the <i>x</i> axis, leaving <i>space</i> between the end of each stencil and the beginning of the following stencil. Stencils with empty <i>y</i> extent are not given <i>space</i> before them and don't avoid overlapping other stencils.	
<code>stack-stencils axis dir padding stils</code>	[Function]
Stack stencils <i>stils</i> in direction <i>axis</i> , <i>dir</i> , using <i>padding</i> .	
<code>stack-stencils-padding-list axis dir paddings stils</code>	[Function]
Stack stencils <i>stils</i> in direction <i>axis</i> , <i>dir</i> , using a list of <i>paddings</i> .	
<code>staff-ellipsis::calc-y-extent grob</code>	[Function]
Callback for <code>StaffEllipsis</code> <i>grob</i> , which is used with <code>skipTypesetting</code> .	
<code>staff-ellipsis::print grob</code>	[Function]
Callback for <code>StaffEllipsis</code> <i>grob</i> , which is used with <code>skipTypesetting</code> .	
<code>ly:staff-symbol-line-thickness grob</code>	[Function]
Return the current staff line thickness in the staff associated with <i>grob</i> , expressed as a multiple of the current staff space height.	
<code>ly:staff-symbol-staff-radius grob</code>	[Function]
Return the radius of the staff associated with <i>grob</i> .	
<code>ly:staff-symbol-staff-space grob</code>	[Function]
Return the current staff space height in the staff associated with <i>grob</i> , expressed as a multiple of the default height of a staff space in the traditional five-line staff.	
<code>ly:stderr-redirect fd-or-file-name mode</code>	[Function]
Redirect standard error output (<code>stderr</code>) to file descriptor <i>fd</i> if the first parameter is an integer, or to file <i>file-name</i> , opened with <i>mode</i> .	
<code>ly:stencil? x</code>	[Function]
Is <i>x</i> a smob of class <code>Stencil</code> ?	
<code>ly:stencil-add args</code>	[Function]
Combine stencils. Takes any number of arguments.	
<code>ly:stencil-aligned-to stil axis dir</code>	[Function]
Align stencil <i>stil</i> using its own extents. <i>dir</i> is a number. <code>-1</code> and <code>1</code> are left and right, respectively. Other values are interpolated (so <code>0</code> means the center).	
<code>ly:stencil-combine-at-edge first axis direction second padding</code>	[Function]
Construct a stencil by putting <i>second</i> next to <i>first</i> . <i>axis</i> can be <code>0</code> (<i>x</i> axis) or <code>1</code> (<i>y</i> axis). <i>direction</i> can be <code>-1</code> (left or down) or <code>1</code> (right or up). The stencils are juxtaposed with <i>padding</i> as extra space. <i>first</i> and <i>second</i> may also be <code>'()</code> or <code>#f</code> .	

- ly:stencil-empty?** *stil axis* [Function]
Return whether *stil* is empty. If an optional *axis* is supplied, the emptiness check is restricted to that axis.
- ly:stencil-expr** *stil* [Function]
Return the expression of stencil *stil*.
- ly:stencil-extent** *stil axis* [Function]
Return a pair of numbers signifying the extent of stencil *stil* in *axis* direction (0 or 1 for x and y axis, respectively).
- ly:stencil-in-color** *stc r g b a* [Function]
Put stencil *stc* in a different color. Accepts either three values for *r*, *g*, *b* and an optional value for *a*, or a single CSS-like string.
- ly:stencil-outline** *stil outline* [Function]
Return a stencil with the stencil expression (inking) of stencil *stil* but with outline and dimensions from stencil *outline*.
- ly:stencil-rotate** *stil angle x y* [Function]
Return a stencil *stil* rotated by *angle* degrees around the relative offset (*x*, *y*). E.g., an offset of (-1, 1) rotates the stencil around the left upper corner.
- ly:stencil-rotate-absolute** *stil angle x y* [Function]
Return a stencil *stil* rotated by *angle* degrees around point (*x*, *y*), given in absolute coordinates.
- ly:stencil-scale** *stil x y* [Function]
Scale stencil *stil* using the horizontal and vertical scaling factors *x* and *y*. Negative values flip or mirror *stil* without changing its origin; this may result in collisions unless it is repositioned.
- ly:stencil-stack** *first axis direction second padding mindist* [Function]
Construct a stencil by stacking *second* next to *first*. *axis* can be 0 (x axis) or 1 (y axis). *direction* can be -1 (left or down) or 1 (right or up). The stencils are juxtaposed with *padding* as extra space. *first* and *second* may also be '()' or #f. As opposed to **ly:stencil-combine-at-edge**, metrics are suited for successively accumulating lines of stencils. Also, *second* stencil is drawn last.
If *mindist* is specified, reference points are placed apart at least by this distance. If either of the stencils is spacing, *padding* and *mindist* do not apply.
- ly:stencil-translate** *stil offset* [Function]
Return a copy of stencil *stil* but translated by *offset* (a pair of numbers).
- ly:stencil-translate-axis** *stil amount axis* [Function]
Return a copy of stencil *stil* but translated by *amount* in *axis* direction.
- stencil-whiteout** *stil . lambda*:G30* [Function]
White-out a stencil (i.e., add a white background around it).
style, *thickness* and *line-thickness* are optional arguments. If set, *style* determines the shape of the white background. Given 'outline the white background is produced by **stencil-whiteout-outline**, given 'rounded-box it is produced by **stencil-whiteout-box** with rounded corners, given other arguments (e.g., 'box) or when unspecified it defaults to **stencil-whiteout-box** with square corners. If *thickness* is specified it determines how far, as a multiple of *line-thickness*, the white background extends past the extents of stencil *stil*. If *thickness* has not been specified, an appropriate default is chosen based on *style*.

stencil-whiteout-box *stil . lambda*:G28* [Function]

White-out a stencil by printing it on top of a white (or *color*) rectangle.

thickness is how far, as a multiple of *line-thickness*, the white outline extends past the extents of stencil *stil*.

stencil-whiteout-outline *stil . lambda*:G26* [Function]

White-out a stencil by surrounding it with white (or *color*) around its outline.

This function works by creating a series of white or *color* stencils radially offset from the original stencil with angles from 0 to 2π , at an increment of *angle-inc*, and with radii from *radial-inc* to *thickness*. *thickness* is how big the white outline is, as a multiple of *line-thickness*. *radial-increments* is how many copies of the white stencil we make on our way out to thickness. *angle-increments* is how many copies of the white stencil we make between 0 and 2π .

straight-flag *flag-thickness flag-spacing upflag-angle upflag-length*
downflag-angle downflag-length [Function]

Create a stencil for a straight flag. *flag-thickness* and *flag-spacing* are given in staff spaces, *upflag-angle* and *downflag-angle* are given in degrees, and *upflag-length* and *downflag-length* are given in staff spaces.

All lengths are scaled according to the font size of the note.

ly:stream-event? *obj* [Function]

Is *obj* a *Stream_event* object?

ly:string-percent-encode *str* [Function]

Encode all characters in string *str* with hexadecimal percent escape sequences, with the following exceptions: characters ‘-./_’ and characters in ranges 0-9, A-Z, and a-z.

ly:string-substitute *a b s* [Function]

Replace string *a* by string *b* in string *s*.

style-note-heads *heads style music* [Function]

Set *style* for all *heads* in *music*. Works both inside of and outside of chord construct.

symbol<? *a b* [Function]

Return a comparator function that applies *key* to the two elements and compares the results using *cmp*. Especially useful for sorting.

symbol-concatenate *ame* [Function]

Like *string-concatenate*, but for symbols.

symbol-key<? *a b* [Function]

Return a comparator function that applies *key* to the two elements and compares the results using *cmp*. Especially useful for sorting.

ly:system-font-load *name* [Function]

Load the OpenType system font *name.otf*. Fonts loaded with this command must contain three additional SFNT font tables called LILC, LILF, and LILY, needed for typesetting musical elements. Currently, only the Emmentaler and the Emmentaler-Brace fonts fulfill these requirements.

Note that only *ly:font-get-glyph* and derived code (like *\lookup*) can access glyphs from the system fonts; text strings are handled exclusively via the Pango interface.

tag-group-get *tag* [Function]

Return the tag group (as a list of symbols) that the given *tag* symbol belongs to, *#f* if none.

- tags-keep-predicate** *tags* [Function]
 Return a predicate that returns **#f** for any music that is to be removed by `\keepWithTag` on the given symbol or list of symbols *tags*.
- tags-remove-predicate** *tags* [Function]
 Return a predicate that returns **#f** for any music that is to be removed by `\removeWithTag` on the given symbol or list of symbols *tags*.
- teaching-accidental-rule** *context pitch barnum* [Function]
 An accidental rule that typesets a cautionary accidental if it is included in the key signature *and* does not directly follow a note on the same staff line.
- ly:text-interface::interpret-markup** [Function]
 Convert a text markup into a stencil. Takes three arguments, *layout*, *props*, and *markup*.
layout is a `\layout` block; it may be obtained from a grob with `ly:grob-layout`. *props* is an alist chain, i.e., a list of alists. This is typically obtained with `(ly:grob-alist-chain grob (ly:output-def-lookup layout 'text-font-defaults))`. *markup* is the markup text to be processed.
- ly:time-signature::print** *grob* [Function]
 Print routine for time signatures.
- ly:transform?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class `Transform`?
- ly:transform->list** *transform* [Function]
 Convert a transform matrix to a list of six values. Values are *xx*, *yx*, *xy*, *yy*, *x0*, *y0*.
- ly:translate-cpp-warning-scheme** *str* [Function]
 Translate a string in C++ `printf` format and modify it to use it for Scheme formatting.
- ly:translator?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class `Translator`?
- ly:translator-context** *trans* [Function]
 Return the context of the translator object *trans*.
- ly:translator-description** *creator* [Function]
 Return an alist of properties of translator definition *creator*.
- ly:translator-group?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class `Translator_group`?
- ly:translator-name** *creator* [Function]
 Return the type name of the translator definition *creator*. The name is a symbol.
- ly:transpose-key-alist** *l pit* [Function]
 Make a new key alist of *l* transposed by pitch *pit*.
- ly:ttf->pfa** *ttf-file-name idx* [Function]
 Convert the contents of a TrueType font file to PostScript Type 42 font, returning it as a string. The optional *idx* argument is useful for TrueType collections (TTC) only; it specifies the font index within the TTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.
- ly:ttf-ps-name** *ttf-file-name idx* [Function]
 Extract the PostScript name from a TrueType font. The optional *idx* argument is useful for TrueType collections (TTC) only; it specifies the font index within the TTC. The default value of *idx* is 0.

- ly:type1->pfa** *type1-file-name* [Function]
 Convert the contents of a Type 1 font in PFB format to PFA format. If the file is already in PFA format, pass it through.
- unbroken-or-first-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]
 Is *spanner* either unbroken or the first of its broken siblings?
- unbroken-or-last-broken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]
 Is *spanner* either unbroken or the last of its broken siblings?
- unbroken-spanner?** *spanner* [Function]
 Is *spanner* unbroken? A spanner has to be broken if it spans more than one system, or if one of its bounds is on the limit of the system. This function returns **#f** on the clones, but **#t** on the originals.
- unfold-repeats** *types music* [Function]
 Replace repeats of the types given by *types* with unfolded repeats. If *types* is an empty list, **repeated-music** is taken, unfolding all.
- unfold-repeats-fully** *music* [Function]
 Unfold repeats and expand the resulting **unfolded-repeated-music**.
- uniq-list** *lst* [Function]
 Remove doublets from list *lst* (i.e., make its elements unique), assuming that it is sorted. Uses **equal?** for comparisons.
- ly:unit** [Function]
 Return the unit used for lengths as a string.
- unity-if-multimeasure** *context dur* [Function]
 Given a context and a duration, return **1** if the duration is longer than the **measureLength** in that context, and **#f** otherwise. This supports historic use of **Completion_heads_engraver** to split **c1*3** into three whole notes.
- ly:unpure-call** *data grob rest* [Function]
 Convert property *data* (unpure-pure container or procedure) to value in an unpure context defined by *grob* and possibly *rest* arguments.
- ly:unpure-pure-container?** *x* [Function]
 Is *x* a smob of class **Unpure_pure_container**?
- ly:unpure-pure-container-pure-part** *pc* [Function]
 Return the pure part of *pc*.
- ly:unpure-pure-container-unpure-part** *pc* [Function]
 Return the unpure part of *pc*.
- ly:usage** [Function]
 Print usage message.
- ly:verbose-output?** [Function]
 Was verbose output requested, i.e., is the log level at least **DEBUG**?
- ly:version** [Function]
 Return the current LilyPond version as a list, e.g., **(1 3 127 uu1)**.

ly:version? *op ver* [Function]

Use operator *op* to compare the currently executed LilyPond version with a given version *ver*, which is passed as a list of numbers.

voicify-music *m . lambda*:G81* [Function]

Recursively split chords that are separated with `\\`. Optional *id* can be a list of context ids to use. If numeric, they also indicate a voice type override. If *id* is just a single number, that's where numbering starts.

volta-bracket::calc-hook-visibility *bar-glyph* [Function]

Determine the visibility of the volta bracket end hook, returning `#t` if *no* hook should be drawn.

ly:volta-bracket::calc-shorten-pair *grob* [Function]

Calculate the `shorten-pair` values for an ideal placement of the volta brackets relative to the bar lines.

volta-spec-music *number-list music* [Function]

Add `\volta number-list` to *music*.

ly:warning *str rest* [Function]

A Scheme callable function to issue the warning *str*. The message is formatted with `format`; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).

ly:warning-located *location str rest* [Function]

A Scheme callable function to issue the warning *str* at the specified location in an input file. The message is formatted with `format`; *rest* holds the formatting arguments (if any).

ly:wide-char->utf-8 *wc* [Function]

Encode the Unicode codepoint *wc*, an integer, as UTF-8.

write-me *message x* [Function]

Return *x*. Display *message* and write *x*. Handy for debugging, possibly turned off.

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