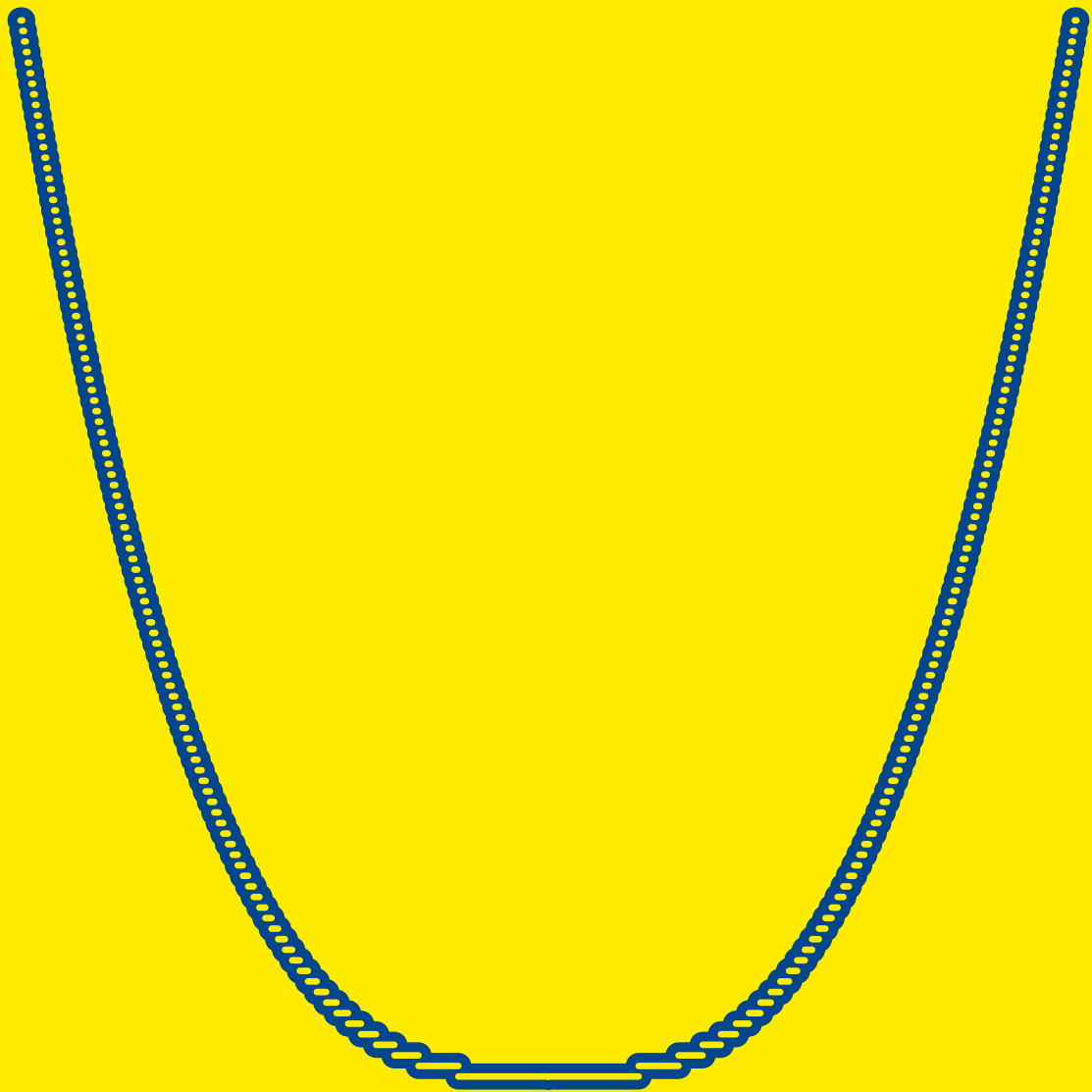


breaking LINES and PAGES

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OVERVIEW

- Breaking paragraphs into lines
 - How does T_EX break paragraphs into lines?
 - What are badness and demerits?
 - What parameters can we play with?
 - What is new?
- Pagebreaks
 - What are typical problems with pagebreaking?
 - What parameters can we play with?
 - What is new?

BREAKING
NEW PARAGRAPH
RAPHS INTO
LINES

HOW DOES T_EX BUILD THE PARAGRAPH?

If we would like to improve, we better first understand what is going on. We start by looking at a paragraph from P.A.M. Dirac's article "Pretty Mathematics":

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POSSIBLE BREAKPOINTS

Traditional T_EX can break lines

- at glue (after words, not usually inside math),
- at kern followed by glue,
- at a discretionary (hyphenation),
- due to a penalty (also inside math).

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COMPARISON OF TWO POSSIBILITIES

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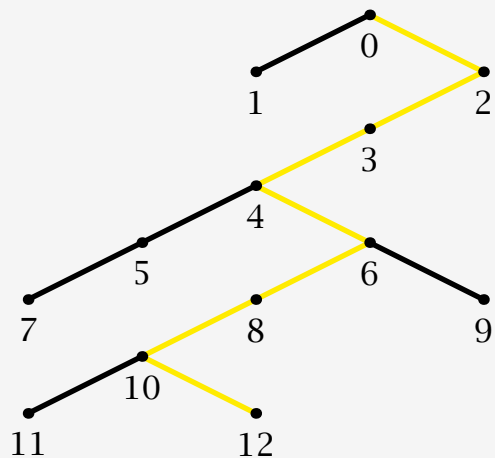
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TEX USUALLY DISCARDS MOST PERMITTED BREAKPOINTS

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[05] b=3

[06] b=11

[07] b=0

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	2	0	169	decent	glue	
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BADNESS AND TOLERANCE

To each possible breakpoint (glue, disc, math, penalty) a *badness* value is calculated. If its value is less than the *(pre)tolerance*, the breakpoint is “feasible”.

T_EX can do one, two (or three) runs on each paragraph:

1. Without hyphenation. Badness is compared to `pretolerance` (traditionally usually set to 100).
2. Possibly with hyphenation. Badness is compared to `tolerance` (traditionally set to 200).
3. If neither of the runs is successful and `\emergencystretch` is set to a positive value, a third run is done.

WHAT IS BADNESS?

Let ℓ be the desired length of the line. Let L be the total *natural width* of what we got so far (without stretch and shrink). Also, let $Y > 0$ be the total *stretchability* and $Z > 0$ be the total *shrinkability*. Define the *adjustment ratio* r as follows:

- If $L = \ell$ then set $r = 0$.
- If $L < \ell$ then set $r = (\ell - L)/Y$.
- If $L > \ell$ then set $r = (\ell - L)/Z$.

The *badness* β of the breakpoint is defined as

$$\beta = \begin{cases} +\infty, & r < -1; \\ \lfloor 100|r|^3 + 0.5 \rfloor, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

BADNESS IN OUR TEST PARAGRAPH

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Above we used `pretolerance=100` and `tolerance=200`.

Did T_EX use the second run?

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PROHIBIT HYPHENATION

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Here we did `\setupalign[nothyphenated]`.

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[03] b=8

[04] b=1000000

[05] b=36

[06] b=66

[07] b=12

[08] b=0

PROHIBIT HYPHENATION, MORE TOLERANT

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Here we did `\setupalign[nothyphenated,verytolerant]`.

[01] b=93

[02] b=524

[03] b=46

[04] b=88

[05] b=61

[06] b=12

[07] b=0

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HOW TO CALCULATE DEMERITS?

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Let β be the badness, ℓ the line penalty (10), π the possible penalty, and α the additional demerits that correspond to a certain breakpoint. Then the demerits δ for that breakpoint is defined by

$$\delta = \begin{cases} (\ell + \beta)^2 + \pi^2 + \alpha, & \text{if } \pi \geq 0; \\ (\ell + \beta)^2 - \pi^2 + \alpha, & \text{if } -\infty < \pi < 0; \\ (\ell + \beta)^2 + \alpha, & \text{if } \pi = -\infty. \end{cases}$$

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WHAT PENALTIES DO WE HAVE HERE?

We add `\showmakeup[penalty]` to see the penalties in action.

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We have here horizontal penalties

- `hyphenpenalty` set to 50 (not shown, used in calculations),
- mathematics penalties (later),

and vertical penalties (discussed later)

- `brokenpenalty` set to 100,
- `clubpenalty` set to 2000,
- `widowpenalty` set to 2000.

ONE EXAMPLE CALCULATION

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We calculate the demerits of the linebreak after line 4.

The line penalty is $\ell = 10$, the badness is $\beta = 7$. The hyphenation penalty costs $\pi = 50$. No additional demerits, so $\alpha = 0$. Thus, the demerits δ is given by

$$\delta = (\ell + \beta)^2 + \pi^2 + \alpha = (10 + 7)^2 + 50^2 + 0 = 2789.$$

This is consistent with the table, since

$$817 + 2789 = 3606.$$

Homework: What is the badness of breakpoint 5? (Answer: 41)

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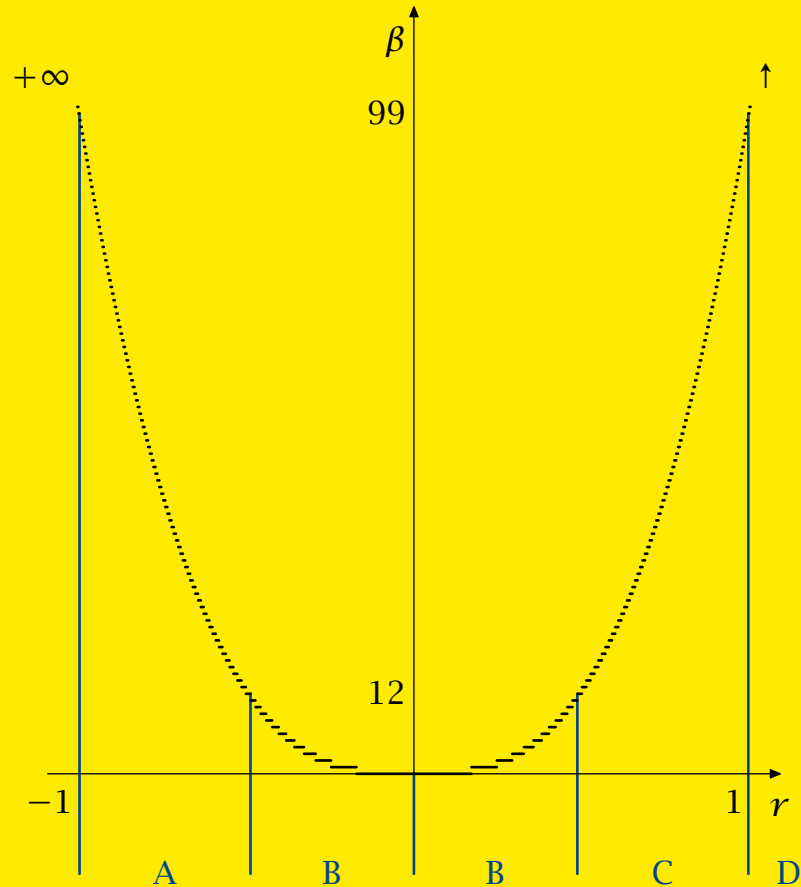
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ADJACENT CLASSES



Every line gets a fitness class.

- A. Tight
- B. Decent
- C. Loose
- D. Very loose

If the current line has a different fitness class than the previous, `\adjdemerits` (usually set to 10000) is added to the demerits.

Granular is defined as

```
\fitnessdemerits 9
 99 9000 0 % very loose
 42 6000 500 % loose
 12 4500 1000 % almost loose
 2 3000 1000 % barely loose
 0 1500 1500 % decent
 2 1000 3000 % barely tight
 12 1000 4500 % almost tight
 42 500 6000 % tight
 99 0 9000 % very tight
```

WHAT IS LOOSE?

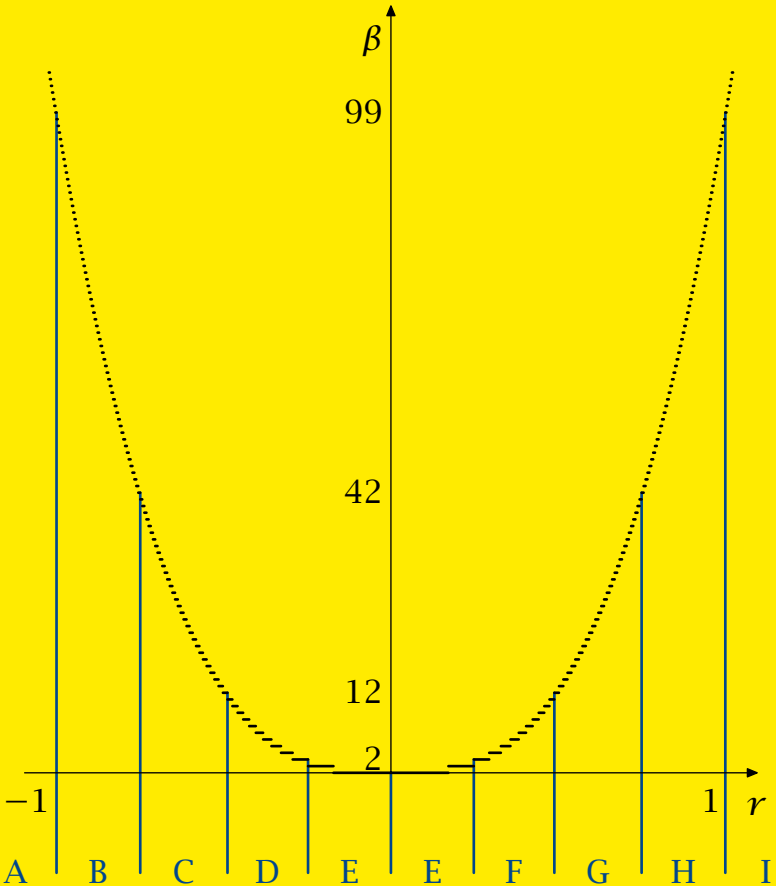
We can define our own fitness classes.

The default setup is given by

```
\fitnessdemerits 5
 % very loose
 99 0 0
 % loose
 12 0 0
 % decent
 0 0 0 % adjdemerits
 % decent
 12 0 0
 % tight
 99 0 0
```

but it also uses `\adjdemerits` (10000).

ADJACENT CLASSES (GRANULAR)



- A. Very tight
- B. Tight
- C. Almost tight
- D. Barely tight
- E. Decent
- F. Barely loose
- G. Almost loose
- H. Loose
- I. Very loose

TRADITIONAL VS. GRANULAR

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[02] b=8		2	0	4669	barelyloose	glue	
[03] b=8	2	3	2	4993	barelyloose	glue	
	3	4	3	5317	barelyloose	glue	
[04] b=7	4	5	4	17918	almostloose	disc	
[05] b=3		6	4	8106	barelyloose	disc	
[06] b=11	5	7	5	32514	loose	glue	
[07] b=0		8	6	8275	barelyloose	glue	
		9	6	20810	almosttight	glue	
[08] b=0	6	10	8	8716	barelyloose	glue	
	7	11	10	33452	loose	glue	
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[03] b=12	3	4	2	30002	loose	glue			
[04] b=0	4	5	3	43453	decent	disc			
[05] b=0	5	6	2	45422	tight	disc			
[06] b=8	6	7	3	43069	decent	disc			
[07] b=64	7	8	4	77631	veryloose	glue			
[08] b=0	8	9	4	40227	decent	glue			
[09] b=0	9	10	5	43553	decent	glue			
	10	11	7	77018	tight	disc			
	11	12	8	87775	decent	glue			
	12	13	10	46153	decent	disc			
	13	14	9	53456	tight	disc			
	14	15	11	99618	decent	disc			
	15	16	13	536477	decent	penalty			
	16	17	15	111643	tight	glue			
	17	18	16	551953	loose	glue			
	18	19	17	629868	veryloose	penalty			
	19	20	17	608204	tight	penalty			
	20	21	18	595809	veryloose	glue			
	21	22	18	562053	decent	glue			
	22	23	19	640012	decent	glue			
	23	24	20	618304	decent	glue			
	24	21	18	16	13	10	5	3	1
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	3	1	32469	barelytight	disc			
3	4	2	35002	loose	glue			
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	6	2	57922	tight	disc			
	7	3	47569	decent	disc			
4	8	4	87631	veryloose	glue			
	9	4	42227	barelytight	glue			
	10	7	57298	almostloose	glue			
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[04] b=5		20	648368	veryloose	penalty			
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[06] b=8	8	22	617612	veryloose	glue			
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[09] b=0		25	625304	decent	glue			
	22	19	17	15	9	4	2	1
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GOING NARROWER ...

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Is the solution to always enable [emergencystretch](#)?

To get expansion, do

```
\definefontfeature  
  [default]  
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  [hz=quality]
```

before loading the font, and then

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\setupalign[expansion]
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Enable with

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\setupalignpass[bachotex]
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\startsetups align:pass:bachotex
\pretolerance 50
\tolerance 100
\parpasses 3
  threshold 0.025pt
  tolerance 200
  extrahyphenpenalty 75
next
  threshold 0.025pt
  tolerance 300
  extrahyphenpenalty 50
next
  threshold 0.025pt
  tolerance 200
  extrahyphenpenalty 25
  adjustspacing 3
  adjustspacingstep 1
  adjustspacingshrink 20
  adjustspacingstretch 20
  emergencystretch .25\bodyfontsize
\relax
\linebreakpasses\plusone
\stopsetups
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ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF ALIGNPASSES

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    tolerance 200
  next
    threshold 0.025pt
    tolerance 800
  next
    threshold 0.025pt
    tolerance 1600
  next
    threshold 0.025pt
    tolerance 1600
    emergencystretch \bodyfontsize
  \relax
\stopsetups
```

HYPHENATION PENALTIES AND DEMERITS

We control hyphenations with the penalties `\hyphenpenalty` (50) and `\exhyphenpenalty` (50).

The `\doublehyphendemerits` (10000) is added in case of multiple consecutive hyphenated lines. A `\finalhyphendemerits` (5000) is inserted if the second-last line is hyphenated.

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`\preshortinlinepenalty 333`

There is also `\postshortinlinepenalty`, and one can as well try `\shortinlinemaththreshold 1em`.

PENALTIES AT BEGINNING AND END OF MATH

By default we get 700 after binary operators and 500 after relations.

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1$$

No other penalties are added inside math.

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\setmathpostpenalty \mathrelationcode 400
\mathforwardpenalties 3 200 100 50
\mathbackwardpenalties 3 200 100 50
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PENALTIES MULTIPLIERS

$$(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 10)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + 4^3 + \dots + 10^3$$

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PENALTIES AFTER PUNCTUATION IN MATH?

$(1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 100)$

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[ntuple]  
[left=(,  
right=),  
inlinefactor=500]
```

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      \ntuple{a, b, \ldots, c} +  
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```

$(a, b, \dots, c) + (a, b, \dots, c) + (a, b, \dots, c)$

In the bottom paragraph we inserted

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\toddlerpenalty200
```

This adds a penalty of 200 after single character words, like 'T'.

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A FEW COMMENTS

- We do not know how to “beat” the settings from plain T_EX.
- But a good setup can minimize the manual tweaks needed.
- A lot is penalty driven, even in displayed formulas.
- Finding the right values of penalties and demerits is not easy.
- Not much would have been done without the possibilities to trace and debug in ConT_EXt.

P A G G L E B

R E A K S

DO YOU SEE ANY PROBLEMS HERE?

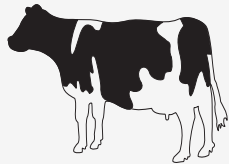
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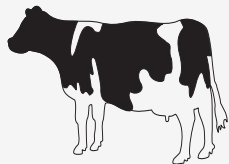
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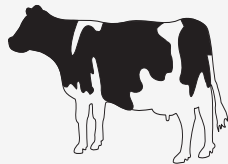
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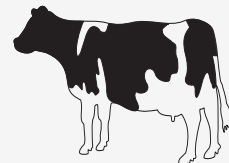
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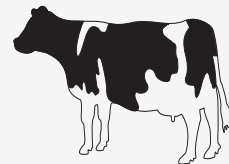
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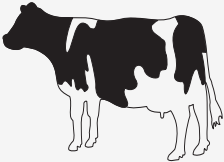
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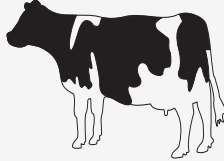
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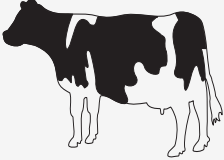
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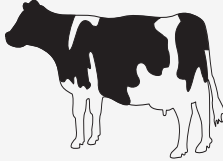
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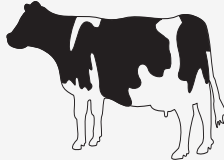
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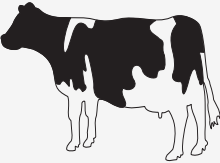
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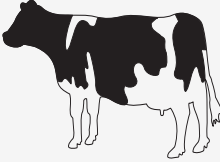
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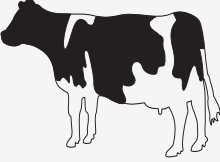
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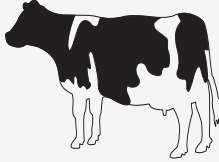
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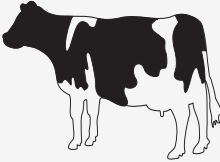
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The swineherd

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It was certainly rather cool of him to say to the Emperor's daughter, "Will you have me?" But so he did; for his name was renowned far and wide; and there were a hundred princesses who would have answered, "Yes!" and "Thank you kindly." We shall see what this princess said.

Listen!

It happened that where the Prince's father lay buried, there grew a rose tree—a most beautiful rose tree, which blossomed only once in every five years, and even then bore only one flower, but that was a rose! It smelt so sweet that all cares and sorrows were forgotten by him who inhaled its fragrance.

And furthermore, the Prince had a nightingale, who could sing in such a manner that it seemed as though all sweet melodies dwelt in her little throat. So the Princess was to have the rose, and the nightingale; and they were accordingly put into large silver caskets, and sent to her.

The Emperor had them brought into a large hall, where the Princess was playing at "Visiting," with the ladies of the court, and when she saw the caskets with the presents, she clapped her hands for joy.

"Ah, if it were but a little pussy-cat!" said she; but the rose tree, with its beautiful rose came to view.

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"Oh, how prettily it is made!" said all the court ladies.

"It is more than pretty," said the Emperor, "it is charming!"

But the Princess touched it, and was almost ready to cry.

"Fie, papa!" said she. "It is not made at all, it is natural!"

"Let us see what is in the other casket, before we get into a bad humor," said the Emperor. So the nightingale came forth and sang so delightfully that at first no one could say anything ill-humored of her.

"Superbe! Charmant!" exclaimed the ladies; for they all used to chatter French, each one worse than her neighbor.

"How much the bird reminds me of the musical box that belonged to our blessed Empress," said an old knight. "Oh yes! These are the same tones, the same execution."

"Yes! yes!" said the Emperor, and he wept like a child at the remembrance.

"I will still hope that it is not a real bird," said the Princess.

"Yes, it is a real bird," said those who had brought it. "Well then let the bird fly," said the Princess; and she positively refused to see the Prince.

However, he was not to be discouraged; he daubed his face over brown and black; pulled his cap over his ears, and knocked at the door.

"Good day to my lord, the Emperor!" said he. "Can I have employment at the palace?"

"Why, yes," said the Emperor. "I want some one to take care of the pigs, for we have a great many of them."

So the Prince was appointed "Imperial Swineherd." He had a dirty little room close by the pigsty; and there he sat the whole day, and worked. By the evening he had made a pretty little kitchen-pot. Little bells were hung all round it; and when the

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