

The `engord` package

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Abstract

The package generates the suffix of English ordinal numbers. It can be used with plain and L^AT_EX formats.

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1 Usage

```
\engord{\langle LATEX counter name\rangle}
```

It prints the value of the L^AT_EX counter as English ordinal number. It can be used in the same way as `\arabic`, `\roman`, or `\alph`. The command is not available in plain-T_EX.

```
\engordnumber{\langle any TEX number\rangle}
```

It prints the number as English ordinal number.

```
\engordletters{#1}
```

This command formats the English ordinal letters after the number. It defaults to `\textsuperscript`.

```
\engorderror{#1}
```

It can be redefined, if an other error handling is wanted. The argument is a negative number or zero.

```
\engordraisetrue  
\engordraisefalse
```

These commands set the switch `\ifengordraise` that is asked by the default `\engordletters` before raising the ordinal letters.

1.1 Package options

normal: `\engordraisefalse`

raise: `\engordraisetrue`

Default is `raise`.

1.2 Examples

- `\usepackage[normal]{engord}`
`\engordnumber{1} → 1st`
`\engordnumber{12} → 12th`
`\engordnumber{123} → 123rd`
`\engord{page} → 1st (if page has the value of one)`
`\engordraisetrue`
`\engordnumber{12} → 12th`

- The default output of a counter can be redefined:

```
\newcounter{mycounter}  
\renewcommand{\theengcounter}{\engord{mycounter}}
```

- Because the implementation of `\engord` and `\engordnumber` is kept expandable, these commands can be used to make command names with an appropriate definition of `\engordletters`:

```
\renewcommand*{\engordletters}[1]{#1}  
\@namedef{My\engordnumber{3}Command}{...}
```

This generates the command name ‘`\My4rdCommand`’. Since version 1.2 the redefinition can be dropped if the letters are not raised.

- If the letters should not be raised, use L^AT_EX package option `normal` or use

```
\engordraisefalse
```

Also `\engordletters` could be redefined for this purpose:

```
\renewcommand*{\engordletters}[1]{#1}
```

2 Implementation

2.1 Reload check and identification

1 `(*package)`

Reload check, especially if the package is not used with L^AT_EX.

2 `\begingroup`

3 `\expandafter\let\expandafter\x\csname ver@engord.sty\endcsname`

4 `\ifcase 0%`

```

5      \ifx\x\relax % plain
6      \else
7          \ifx\x\empty % LaTeX
8          \else
9              1%
10         \fi
11     \fi
12 \else
13     \expandafter\ifx\csname PackageInfo\endcsname\relax
14     \def\x#1#2{%
15         \immediate\write-1{Package #1 Info: #2.}%
16     }%
17 \else
18     \def\x#1#2{\PackageInfo{#1}{#2, stopped}}%
19     \fi
20     \x{engord}{The package is already loaded}%
21     \endgroup
22     \expandafter\endinput
23 \fi
24 \endgroup

```

Package identification:

```

25 \begingroup
26 \expandafter\ifx\csname ProvidesPackage\endcsname\relax
27 \def\x#1#2#3[#4]{\endgroup
28     \immediate\write-1{Package: #3 #4}%
29     \xdef#1[#4]%
30 }%
31 \else
32     \def\x#1#2[#3]{\endgroup
33     #2[#3]%
34     \ifx#1\relax
35         \xdef#1[#3]%
36     \fi
37 }%
38 \fi
39 \expandafter\x\csname ver@engord.sty\endcsname
40 \ProvidesPackage{engord}%
41 [2006/02/20 v1.2 Provides the ifpdf switch (HO)]

```

2.2 Help commands for plain compatibility

\EO@atcode Save catcode of @.

```

42 \expandafter\chardef\csname EO@atcode\endcsname\catcode`@
43 \catcode`@=11 %

```

\EO@def Definitions, \newcommand does not exist in plain-TEX.

```

44 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
45 \expandafter\ifx\csname newcommand\endcsname\relax
46 \def\EO@def{\def}%
47 \else
48 \def\EO@def#1{%
49     \newcommand*{#1}{}%
50     \def#1%
51 }%
52 \fi

```

\EO@PackageWarning

```

53 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
54 \expandafter\ifx\csname PackageWarning\endcsname\relax
55 \def\EO@PackageWarning#1#2{%
56     \immediate\write16{%
57         Package #1 Warning: #2 on input line \the\inputlineno.%}

```

```

58      }%
59  }%
60 \else
61   \def\EO@PackageWarning{\PackageWarning}%
62 \fi

```

2.3 User macros

\ifengordraise The switch `\ifengordraise`, whether the ordinal letters are raised or not. Default is raised because of compatibility.

```

63 \newif\ifengordraise
64 \engordraisetrue

```

In L^AT_EX this also can be controlled by option `normal` or `raise`.

```

65 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
66 \expandafter\ifx\csname DeclareOption\endcsname\relax
67 \else
68   \DeclareOption{normal}{\engordraisefalse}%
69   \DeclareOption{raise}{\engordraisetrue}%
70   \ProcessOptions*\relax
71 \fi

```

\engordletters `\engordletters` is called with one argument, the english ordinal letters, and contains the code to format them. It defaults to `\textsuperscript` depending on `\ifengordraise`.

```

72 \expandafter\ifx\csname engordletters\endcsname\relax
73   \EO@def\engordletters{%
74     \ifengordraise
75       \expandafter\engordtextsuperscript
76     \fi
77   }%
78 \fi

```

\engordtextsuperscript For plain-T_EX the definition is quite ugly, redefine `\engordtextsuperscript` if you have a better one.

```

79 \expandafter\ifx\csname engordtextsuperscript\endcsname\relax
80   \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
81   \expandafter\ifx\csname textsuperscript\endcsname\relax
82     \def\engordtextsuperscript#1{%
83       \relax
84       \ifmmode
85         ^{\rm#1}%
86       \else
87         $^{\rm#1}$%
88       \fi
89     }%
90   \else
91     \def\engordtextsuperscript{\textsuperscript}%
92   \fi
93 \fi

```

\engorderror `\engorderror` is called, if the number is zero or negative.

```

94 \expandafter\ifx\csname engorderror\endcsname\relax
95   \EO@def\engorderror#1{%
96     #1\engordletters{!ERROR!}%
97     \EO@PackageWarning{engord}{%
98       '#1' is not an ordinal number%
99     }%
100   }%
101 \fi

```

```

\engord \engord expects a LATEX counter name as argument and calls \engordnumber. It
is defined only, if LATEX is used.
102 \begingroup\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\endgroup
103 \expandafter\ifx\csname newcounter\endcsname\relax
104 \else
105   \EO@def\engord#1{%
106     \engordnumber{\value{#1}}%
107   }%
108 \fi

\engordnumber \engordnumber is the user command to print a number as english ordinal number.
The argument can be any TEX number like explicit numbers, register values, ...
In a safe way it converts the TEX number argument into a form that only
consists of decimal digits.
109 \EO@def\engordnumber#1{%
110   \expandafter\EO@number\expandafter{\number#1}%
111 }

```

2.4 Suffix generation

\EO@number \EO@number expects a number with decimal digits as argument and looks at the size of the number and the count of the digits:

```

112 \def\EO@number#1{%
113   \ifnum#1<1 % handle the error case
114     \engorderror{#1}%
115   \else
116     \ifnum#1<21
117       \EO@ord{#1}%
118     \else
119       \ifnum#1<100
120         \EO@twodigits#1%
121       \else
122         \c@ReturnAfterFi{%
123           \EO@reverse#1\c@nil{}\EO@afterreverse
124         }%
125       \fi
126     \fi
127   \fi
128 }

```

\c@ReturnAfterFi An internal help macro to prevent a too deep \if nesting.

```
129 \long\def\c@ReturnAfterFi#1\fi{\fi#1}
```

\EO@ord \EO@ord prints the number with ord letters.

#1: decimal digits, #1 < 21

```

130 \def\EO@ord#1{%
131   #1%
132   \expandafter\engordletters
133   \ifcase#1{th}\or
134     {st}\or
135     {nd}\or
136     {rd}\else
137     {th}%
138   \fi
139 }

```

\EO@twodigits \EO@twodigits expects a number with two digits,
20 < number < 100

```

140 \def\EO@twodigits#1#2{%
141   #1\EO@ord{#2}%
142 }
```

```

\EO@reverse \EO@reverse reverses the digits of the number.
#1: next digit
#2: rest of the digits
#3: already reversed digits
#4: next command to call with the reversed number as argument
143 \def\EO@reverse#1#2\@nil#3#4{%
144   \ifx\#2\%
145     #4{#1#3}%
146   \else
147     \oReturnAfterFi{%
148       \EO@reverse#2\@nil{#1#3}{#4}%
149     }%
150   \fi
151 }

\EO@afterreverse \EO@afterreverse calls \EO@reverseback so that \EO@reverseback can inspect
the digits of the number.
152 \def\EO@afterreverse#1{%
153   \EO@reverseback#1\@nil
154 }

\EO@reverseback \EO@reverseback reverses the reversion.
#1: the last digit of the number
#2: the second last digit of the number
#3: first digits of the number in reversed order, it is not empty, because
\EO@reverseback is only called with numbers > 100.
155 \def\EO@reverseback#1#2#3\@nil{%
156   \EO@reverse#3\@nil{}@\firstofone
157   \ifnum#2#1<21
158     \EO@ord{#2#1}%
159   \else
160     #2\EO@ord{#1}%
161   \fi
162 }

      Restore catcode of @.
163 \catcode`\@=\EO@atcode
164 
```

3 Installation

CTAN. This package is available on CTAN¹:

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/engord.dtx](https://ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/engord.dtx) The source file.

[CTAN:macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/engord.pdf](https://ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/oberdiek/engord.pdf) Documentation.

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

```
tex engord.dtx
```

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

```
engord.sty  →  tex/generic/oberdiek/engord.sty
engord.pdf  →  doc/latex/oberdiek/engord.pdf
engord.dtx  →  source/latex/oberdiek/engord.dtx
```

¹<ftp://ftp.ctan.org/tex-archive/>

If you have a `docstrip.cfg` that configures and enables `docstrip`'s TDS installing feature, then some files can already be in the right place, see the documentation of `docstrip`.

Refresh file databases. If your Te_EX distribution (te_EX, mik_EX, ...) rely on file databases, you must refresh these. For example, te_EX users run `texhash` or `mktexlsr`.

3.1 Some details for the interested

Attached source. The PDF documentation on CTAN also includes the `.dtx` source file. It can be extracted by AcrobatReader 6 or higher. Another option is `pdftk`, e.g. unpack the file into the current directory:

```
pdftk engord.pdf unpack_files output .
```

Unpacking with L^AT_EX. The `.dtx` chooses its action depending on the format:

plain-T_EX: Run `docstrip` and extract the files.

L^AT_EX: Generate the documentation.

If you insist on using L^AT_EX for `docstrip` (really, `docstrip` does not need L^AT_EX), then inform the autodetect routine about your intension:

```
latex \install=y\input{engord.dtx}
```

Do not forget to quote the argument according to the demands of your shell.

Generating the documentation. You can use both the `.dtx` or the `.drv` to generate the documentation. The process can be configured by the configuration file `ltxdoc.cfg`. For instance, put this line into this file, if you want to have A4 as paper format:

```
\PassOptionsToClass{a4paper}{article}
```

An example follows how to generate the documentation with pdfL^AT_EX:

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

4 History

[2000/05/23 v1.0]

- First public release.

[2003/04/28 v1.1]

- Bug fix for 30, 40, 50, ..., 100, 130, ...
- `\ordletters` renamed to documented `\engordletters`.

[2006/02/20 v1.2]

- Support for plain-T_EX.
- Switch `\ifengordraise` added.
- Package options `raise` and `normal` added.
- DTX framework.

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