

# *ExPex*

## for linguists

Example formatting, glosses, and reference

- (1) a. *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, [dass es den Hans nicht stören würde [seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten]].*  
Mary is sure that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would his-DAT girlfriend-DAT  
her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw  
'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her heart to his girlfriend.'
- b. *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, [dass seiner Freunden ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten [dem Hans nicht schaden würde]].*  
Mary is sure that his-DAT girlfriend-DAT her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw  
the-DAT Hans not damage would  
'Mary is sure that to reveal her heart to his girlfriend would not damage John.'

## User's Guide

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# 1. Introduction

Many of the needs of linguists who wish to produce typographically attractive papers using *Tex* or *LaTex* are not specific to linguistic papers. There are therefore many macro packages which deal with tables of contents, references, section headings, font selection, indexing, etc. But linguistics does have some special typographic needs. I addressed two of these with the macro packages *PST-JTree* and *PST-ASR*, which typeset syntactic trees and autosegmental representations. *ExPex* addresses the main remaining special *Tex* need in linguistics: formatting examples, examples with multiple parts, glosses, and the like, and referring to examples and parts of examples. The name comes from the two central macros, `\ex` and `\pex`, used to typeset examples and examples with labeled parts.

*PST-JTree* and *PST-ASR* rely heavily on Hendri Adriaens' *XKeyVal* package, which has become the standard for *PSTricks* based macro packages. Although *ExPex* is not based on *PSTricks*, it does handle parameterization the same way that *PST-JTree* and *PST-ASR* do. When `expex.tex` is loaded, it immediately checks to see whether `xkeyval.tex` has already been loaded. If not, it does so.

The goal in writing a macro package for general use is to make it simple to use if only simple things need to be done, but powerful enough so that users who have complex needs can get those needs satisfied if they are willing to deal with the complexities that complex needs inevitably involve. If you think there are simple things that are not simple to do, or complex things that cannot be done, please write to me at [j.frampton@neu.edu](mailto:j.frampton@neu.edu). The *ExPex* macros have evolved over the last 15 or so years and like anything which evolves, various features of the current state may have more to do with history than with optimal design. Please let me know about departures from optimal design. Perhaps the next version can be improved.

This User's Guide begins with four examples which demonstrate *ExPex* in action. It serves as a "A Quick Guide to *Expex*". Each page gives some code at the top, with the product of this code below. Its main purpose is to give a sense of how *ExPex* works, so that curious readers have some basis for determining whether they want to proceed with the details. It is possible to begin to use *ExPex* solely on the basis of the four demo pages and learn the more subtle capabilities as needed. A quick survey of the index and the table of contents should give you some idea of what is available, if you need it.

## 1.1. Changes

The most recent previous version of *ExPex* is version 4.0c. That version will still be available on my website, zipped as `expex40c.zip`. Aside from bug fixes, the changes in this version are to the control of line spacing in wrapped glosses. Several new parameters have been introduced and some initial settings of parameters controlling glosses have been changed. Executing the macro `\g1oldstyle` will return *ExPex* to a state in which glosses written using version 4.0 should display as they did using version 4.0. The parameter `abovemodegr1skip` which was used to control wrap spacing in glosses is still recognized, but it should now be considered obsolete and should be avoided in future work. It will be eliminated at some point in the future.

There was an undocumented feature of v4.0 that was used by some people, but has now been eliminated. *ExPex* no longer looks for a file `expex-add.tex` and loads it automatically if it is found. This led to some very mysterious behavior when the user forgot about the presence of this file. Such a file should be loaded explicitly.

## 1.2. LaTex/Tex cooperation

*ExPex* is designed to be used by either *Plain Tex* or *LaTex* users. *LaTex* users need to say `\usepackage{expex}` and *Tex* users `\input expex`. All of the code for the examples in this documentation should run equally well in either system, subject to the notes below.

### 1.2.1 Note to LaTex users

`\it` (now a deprecated *LaTex* command) is used in a few places. In case *ExPex* detects that *LaTex* is being used, it executes `\let\it=\itshape`.

### 1.2.2 Note to Tex users

Three macros are used in the examples in this documentation which are defined in *LaTex* but not in *Plain Tex*: `\footnotesize`, `\sc`, and `\textsc`. Assuming, for example, that text is set in 10pt computer modern, the following would suffice for all the examples in this documentation.

```
\font\eightrm=cmr8
\font\eightit=cmti8
\def\footnotesize{\eightrm \let\it=\eightit \baselineskip=9pt}
\font\tensc=cmcsc10
\let\sc=\tensc
\def\textsc#1{{\sc #1}}
```

Most *Plain Tex* users will have other fonts and much more general size changing macros at their disposal. The code above is barely sufficient to handle the examples in this documentation, but it will do the job. For what it is worth, this documentation was typeset using *Plain Tex*. `\twelvepoint` and `\tenpoint` were defined modeled on pages 414–415 in the *TeXbook* and `\let\footnotesize=\tenpoint` was executed to define `\footnotesize`. The running text is 12pt. `\sc` was defined by `\font\twelvesc=cmcsc10 scaled\magstep1`<sup>1</sup> and `\let\sc=\twelvesc`<sup>2</sup>.

## 1.3. Acknowledgements

Many participants in the *Ling-Tex* discussion group have contributed to the development of *ExPex*, either by posing good questions, solving problems, or providing informed discussion of desirable features. In particular, I thank Alexis Dimitriadis, Claude Dionne, Kevin Donnelly, Antonio Fortin, Jeremy Hammond, Daniel Harbor, Joshua Jensen, Joost Kremers, John Lyon, Alan Munn, Christos Vlachos, and Natalie Weber.

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1. cmcsc10 scaled was used rather than cmcsc12 because Postscript fonts for cmcsc10 are more readily available than those for cmcsc12.

2. Small caps are used only in text size

## 2. Some preliminary examples

### 1. Examples and examples with parts

Example (\nextx) is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

```
\ex  
I wonder which article John filed {\$l t\}/ without reading {\$l e}.  
\xe  
It is beyond the scope of this investigation to determine exactly why  
John did not read the article.
```

Multipart examples are equally straightforward.

```
\pex Two examples of parasitic gaps.  
\a He is the man that John did not interview {\$l e\}/ before  
he gave the job to {\$l e}.  
\a He is someone who John expected {\$l e\}/ to be successful  
though believing {\$l e\}/ to be incompetent.  
\xe  
Here, we can speculate on why John did not do an interview before  
recommending the person for a job. It is likely that the person  
was a crony of John. In (\lastx b), perhaps John knew that  
the ‘‘someone’’ went to prep school with the owner of the  
business.
```

Example (2) is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

(2) I wonder which article John filed *t* without reading *e*.

It is beyond the scope of this investigation to determine exactly why John did not read the article.

Multipart examples are equally straightforward.

(3) Two examples of parasitic gaps.

- a. He is the man that John did not interview *e* before he gave the job to *e*.
- b. He is someone who John expected *e* to be successful though believing *e* to be incompetent.

Here, we can speculate on why John did not do an interview before recommending the person for a job. It is likely that the person was a crony of John. In (3b), perhaps John knew that the “someone” went to prep school with the owner of the business.

## 2. Named reference

If examples and parts of examples are tagged, they can be referred to by name.

```
\pex<pg>
\a This is the man that John interviewed {\$l e\}/> before
telling you that you should give the job to~{\$l e}.
\a<A> This is someone who John expected {\$l e\}/> to be successful
though believing {\$l e\}/> to be incompetent.
\xe
```

Now, names can be used. The name/reference pairs can be written to a file, making forward reference possible and backwards reference at a distance reliable. You can refer to part \getref{pg.A} of example (\getref{pg}), or (\getfullref{pg.A}).

If you use a tag that has not been defined, {\\$l ExPex\}/> will let you know. If you try to reference a name which has no reference, \getref{pg.B} for example, a warning will be issued and the (bracketed) tag printed as shown at the beginning of this sentence. If you try to tag a part of an example which has no tag, {\\$l ExPex\}/> will let you know about that as well.

If examples and parts of examples are tagged, they can be referred to by name.

- (4)
  - a. This is the man that John interviewed e before telling you that you should give the job to e.
  - b. This is someone who John expected e to be successful though believing e to be incompetent.

Now, names can be used. The name/reference pairs can be written to a file, making forward reference possible and backwards reference at a distance reliable. You can refer to part b of example (4), or (4b).

If you use a tag that has not been defined, *ExPex* will let you know. If you try to reference a name which has no reference, [pg.B] for example, a warning will be issued and the (bracketed) tag printed as shown at the beginning of this sentence. If you try to tag a part of an example which has no tag, *ExPex* will let you know about that as well.

### 3. Glosses

```
\ex
\begingl
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren
w\"urde seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//
\glb Mary is sure that it the-{\sc acc} Hans not annoy would
his-{\sc dat} girlfriend-{\sc dat} her-{\sc acc} heart-{\sc acc} {out to
throw}//
\glft 'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her
heart to his girlfriend.'//
\endgl
\xe
```

- (5) *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht stören würde seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub>*  
*Mary is sure that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would his-DAT girlfriend-DAT her-ACC*  
*Herz auszuschütten.*  
*heart-ACC out to throw*

'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her heart to his girlfriend.'

```
\ex
\begingl
\gla k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb Cl V Agr Neg Agr Tns Agr //
\glc 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\endgl
\xe
```

- (6) *k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk*  
*Cl V Agr Neg Agr Tns Agr*  
*2 see 3ACC 2PL preterit 3PL*

'you (pl) didn't see them'

#### 4. Parameters

```
\pex[interparts=3ex]
\begin{gl}
\gla pwa- min -kwa -pun// 
\glb Neg V Agr Tns // 
\glc {} give 2pl{\sc nom}.3pl{\sc acc} preterit // 
\glft 'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'// 
\end{gl}
\begin{gl}[everygl=\openup.5ex,everygla=,everyglb=,
           everyglft=\it,aboveglftskip=1.5ex]
\gla pwa- min -kwa -pun// 
\glb Neg V Agr Tns // 
\glc {} give 2pl{\sc nom}.3pl{\sc acc} preterit // 
\glft 'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'// 
\end{gl}
\begin{gl}[everygl=,everygla=\bf, everyglb=\it,
           everyglft=,aboveglftskip=0pt]
\gla pwa- min -kwa -pun // 
\glb Neg V Agr Tns // 
\glc {} give 2pl{\sc nom}.3pl{\sc acc} preterit // 
\glft 'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'// 
\end{gl}
\end{gl}
\end{pex}
```

- (7) a. *pwa- min -kwa -pun*  
*Neg V Agr Tns*  
*give 2plNOM.3plACC preterit*  
*'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'*
- b. *pwa- min -kwa -pun*  
*Neg V Agr Tns*  
*give 2plNOM.3plACC preterit*  
*'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'*
- c. ***pwa- min -kwa -pun***  
*Neg V Agr Tns*  
*give 2plNOM.3plACC preterit*  
*'you (pl) didn't give them (something)'*

### 3. XKV parameterization

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Macro: `\lingset`

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(Here and in following sections and subsections, an inventory of the macros, parameters, and count registers which are described in what follows appears at the beginning of the section. “What follows” refers to the text up to the next section or subsection heading.)

The key-value approach to parameter setting in *Tex*, which originated with David Carlisle’s *keyval* package, is illustrated by the key *glspc*. *ExPex* uses to it set one of the parameters used in typesetting glosses. Executing the command

```
\lingset{glspc=1.3em}
```

results in the definition (or redefinition) of the macro `\lingglspc` so that it expands to the value `1.3em`. The macro `\begingl`, which is used to typeset glosses, uses `\lingglspc`, typesetting the gloss so that the minimal interword separation is the dimension which `\lingglspc` expands to. But *ExPex* users never have to concern themselves with the macro `\lingglspc`. If they are not satisfied with the default spacing, they simply have to know that *glspc* is the key to setting the word spacing in glosses.

The argument of `\lingset` can be a comma separated sequence of key/value pairs. The syntax is:

```
\lingset{key1=value1, ..., keyn=valuen}
```

The comma separated key/value pairs are processed sequentially, from left to right. If a value contains a comma, it must be hidden from the mechanism which parses the list by putting the value in braces. The braces are removed by the parser.

Several *ExPex* macros take an optional argument, delimited by brackets, which is passed to `\lingset`. `\begingl`, used to typeset glosses, takes an optional argument. You might say, for example,

```
\begingl[glspc=.9em, everyglft=\it]
```

The optional argument of `\begingl` will be passed to `\lingset` and the result evaluated, so that the gloss will be typeset with these parameter settings. This is carried out inside a group, so the global settings of the parameters are not affected. As we will see later, `everyglft=\it` will result in an italicized translation.

*ExPex* has various kinds of keys. The distinctions depend on the effect of executing (8) and the restrictions on the possible values which can appear.

(8) `\lingset{key=value}`

*Command key*: After (8) is executed, the macro `\lingkey` or `\ling@key` expands to *value*. It will be made clear when the key is introduced whether it is `\lingkey` or `\ling@key` that is defined.

*Incremental dimension parameter*: *value* must be a dimension or a dimension prefixed by `!`. If *value* is a dimension, it is stored in `\lingkey`. If it is a `!`-prefixed dimension, the prefixed dimension is added to its former dimension and the result stored in `\lingkey`. If `\ling@key` is undefined or does not expand to a dimension, a fatal error results. Incremental parameters are very

useful if minor adjustments to the format are desired. There are *incremental skip parameters* as well, which operate on an entirely parallel manner.

*Choice parameter:* *value* must be drawn from a prescribed list. Although the *ExPex* choice parameters do store *value* when (8) is executed, the main purpose of executing (8) is the side effects which are coded into the definition of the key.

The parameter `labelalign` illustrates this. `\lingset{labelalign=value}` is valid only if *value* is one of `left`, `center`, or `right`. A fatal error results otherwise. The effect is to appropriately define the macro `\@labelprint` which is used to typeset the labels of subparts in multipart examples.

*Pseudo parameter:* (8) is executed for its side effects. *value* is not stored. The key `samplelabel` illustrates this. When `\lingset{samplelabel=A.}` is executed, for example, the macro `\ling@samplelabel` is not defined. Instead, the parameter `labelwidth` is set to the width of “A.” in the current font.

In the interest of clarity, the exposition above was somewhat oversimplified (i.e. told some lies, but small lies). The macro in which a value associated with *key* is stored was assumed to be `\ling@key`. In fact, some keys use `\ling key`, with no @ in the macro name so that they are easier for the user to access. In those cases in which it appeared that there is a significant chance that some users will want easy access to the value of a parameter at some point, the macro name `\ling key` was used rather than `\ling@key`.

When keys are defined, they can be given default values, as part of their definitions. If a key `foo`, for example, is given the default value `2pt`, then executing `\lingset{foo}` is equivalent to executing `\lingset{foo=2pt}`. Only a few *ExPex* keys have default values, but most are set to an initial value in `expex.tex`.

## 4. Examples without parts

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Macros: `\ex^[]`, `\xe`

Counter: `\excnt`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>numoffset†</code>	(!)dimension	0pt
<code>textoffset†</code>	(!)dimension	1em
<code>aboveexskip†</code>	(!)skip	2.7ex plus .4ex minus .4ex
<code>belowexskip†</code>	(!)skip	2.7ex plus .4ex minus .4ex
<code>exskip</code>	skip	(pseudo-parameter)

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Sections will usually begin with an inventory of the parameters and user friendly macros and registers that are introduced in the section. The initial settings of parameters will be given if they are relevant. Pseudo parameters are set for their immediate effect, not to store a setting associated with the parameter, so the initial setting of pseudo parameters is not relevant. `\ex^[]` above should be taken to mean that the macro `\ex` will be described, that it is optionally modified by a following diacritical tilde `^` (as described below), and that it optionally takes an argument. The text will describe what arguments are permitted. A † superscript on a parameter in these

inventories indicates a parameter whose value is accessible by the macro `\!ling` key. A (!) prefix on “dimension” or “skip” indicates that the parameter is incrementable, by a dimension or a skip as the case may be.

`\ex` constructions are terminated by `\xe`. The following sample paragraph illustrates the use of `\ex ... \xe`. The convention in this manual is that text, *as it would appear in a document*, is displayed in a framed box, usually with the code immediately following or preceding. The code assumes that the initial parameter settings are in effect at the point that the code is executed.

The following example is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

(9) I wonder which article John filed *t* without reading *e*.

Various aspects of the format are controlled by parameters, which can be set either globally or via an optional argument.

The following example is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

```
\ex
I wonder which article John filed {\$l t\$/} without reading {\$l e}.
\xe
```

```
\noindent Various aspects of the format are controlled by
parameters, which can be set either globally or via an optional
argument.
```

Those users who try to save virtual paper can equally use:

The following example is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.`\ex` I wonder which article John filed `{\$l t\$/}` without reading `{\$l e}`.`\xe` Various aspects of the format are controlled by parameters, which can be set either globally or via an optional argument.

With different parameter settings, we get:

The following example is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

(11) I wonder which article John filed *t* without reading *e*.

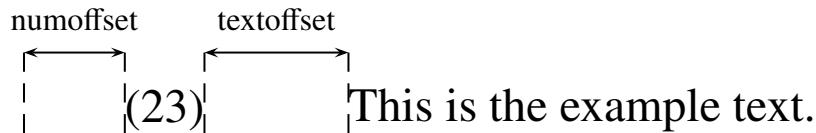
Various aspects of the format are controlled by parameters, which can be set either globally or via an optional argument.

The following example is well-known from the literature on parasitic gaps. Here we are concerned with example formatting, not with the interesting syntax.

```
\ex[numoffset=2em, textoffset=.5em, aboveexskip=1ex, belowexskip=1ex]
I wonder which article John filed {\sl t\} without reading {\sl e}.
\xe
```

\noindent Various aspects of the format are controlled by parameters, which can be set either globally or via an optional argument.

The horizontal dimensions are illustrated below. numoffset is measured from the left margin.



Example numbering is automatic. The count is kept in \excnt. It is incremented when \ex is expanded, before the number is typeset. Outside examples, \excnt gives the count of the next example. Inside examples, it also gives the count of the next example, not the current one. Vertical skip is inserted before and after examples, of amounts determined by the values of aboveexskip and belowexskip.

Inside \ex constructions, the example text is wrapped as ordinary text, with \leftskip set by \ex. Since \ex sets \leftskip and relies on this setting, changes in \leftskip inside \ex ... \xe must be made with care, but can be made after the first paragraph (i.e. after the first explicit or implicit \par).

- (13) Und hier können wir sehen was für Unfug wird gemacht wenn er einen ganz langen Satz binnen kriegt.
- (14)  $\alpha$  governs  $\beta$  if  $\alpha = X^0$  (in the sense of X-bar theory),  $\alpha$  c-commands  $\beta$ , and  $\beta$  is not protected by a maximal projection.

The code which was used to typeset the pair of examples above has two useful features which are worth highlighting.

```
\ex
Und hier k\"onnen wir sehen was f\"ur Unfug wird gemacht
wenn er einen ganz langen Satz binnen kriegt.\par\nobreak
\xe
```

```
\ex[aboveexskip=0pt]
$ \alpha$ {\it governs} $/$ } $ \beta$ if $ \alpha=X^0$ (in the
sense of X-bar theory), $ \alpha$ c-commands $ \beta$, and $ \beta$ 
is not protected by a maximal projection.
\xe
```

`\par\nobreak` is used to illustrate how a page break between two consecutive examples can be suppressed. This is sometimes desirable. `\par` puts *Tex* in the mode of adding lines to the page, and `\nobreak` tells *Tex* to avoid a break (which is a page break when *Tex* is in the mode of adding lines), essentially until after more text is added to the page. `aboveexskip=0pt` is used in the second example to avoid double spacing between the examples. Otherwise vertical skip would be added both below the first example and above the second example.

Since the need to suppress vertical skip above examples arises with some frequency, a shortcut is made available to accomplish this. Simply say `\ex~`. Tilde modification of `\ex` can be used with parameters; `\ex~[...]` will be interpreted correctly.

`exskip` is a pseudo parameter which can be used to simultaneously set both `aboveexskip` and `belowexskip`. The effect of `\lingset{exskip=value}` is

```
\lingset{aboveexskip=value, belowexskip=value}
```

#### 4.1. Explicit example numbers

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Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>exno</code>	token list	(pseudo parameter)
<code>exnofORMAT</code>	token list of the form ... X ...	(X)

---

Suppose that you want to repeat an example that was given earlier in your document. Something like.

(94) This is a crucial example.

It is clear that this example is related to the earlier example (14), which is repeated below.

(14) This is an example that was given many pages earlier.

If we are on the right track, as the saying goes, we expect the next example to be grammatical. But it is not.

(95) \* ...

```
\ex This is a crucial example.\xe
It is clear that this example is related to the earlier
example (14), which is repeated below.
\ex[exno=14]
This is an example that was given many pages earlier.\xe
If we are on the right track, as the saying goes,
we expect the next example to be grammatical. But it is not.
\ex * \dots\xe
```

\excnt is not incremented if the example number is supplied by exno.  
exno does not have to be set to an integer, as shown below.

(Δ) Earlier example.

```
\ex[exno=$\Delta$] Earlier example.\xe
```

[14, repeated] Earlier example.

```
\ex[exno={[14, repeated]}, exnoformat=X] Earlier example.\xe
```

Note the use of braces to hide the comma in the setting of exno. Otherwise, the key-value parser would get confused, interpreting [14 as the setting of exno and reporting that repeated is an undefined key. The initial setting of exnoformat is (X), so this parameter must be reset to prevent putting parentheses around the special exno. The label formatting mechanism is primitive. labelformat must be of the form

⟨balanced text⟩ X ⟨balanced text⟩

The pre-X text is inserted before the label (including the material specified by everypar) and the post-X text is inserted after the label. The balanced text cannot contain the character X. *Balanced text* is a string of tokens with properly nested (explicit) braces. No error checking is done to ensure that the format specification has the required form, so be careful. An error might lead to very obscure error messages.

Note that

```
\ex[exno={14, repeated}, exnoformat={[X]}] Earlier example.\xe
```

and

```
\ex[exno={[14, repeated]}, exnoformat=X] Earlier example.\xe
```

give the same result.

Section (11.2) will show how to name example numbers, so that exno can be set by giving the name of an example number.

## 5. Examples with labeled parts: Basics

Counter: `\pexcnt`

Macros: `\pex~[]`, `\a[]`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>labeltype</code>	name of a key-value list	<code>alpha</code>
<code>labeloffset</code> <sup>†</sup>	(!)dimension	<code>1em</code>
<code>labelwidth</code> <sup>†</sup>	(!)dimension	<code>.72em</code>
<code>preambleoffset</code> <sup>†</sup>	(!)dimension	<code>1em</code>
<code>interpartskip</code> <sup>†</sup>	(!)skip	<code>1 ex plus .2ex minus .2ex</code>
<code>belowgpreambleskip</code> <sup>†</sup>	(!)skip	<code>1 ex plus .2ex minus .2ex</code>
<code>samplelabel</code>	token list	(pseudo-parameter)

Typical examples are given below, with the initial parameter settings.

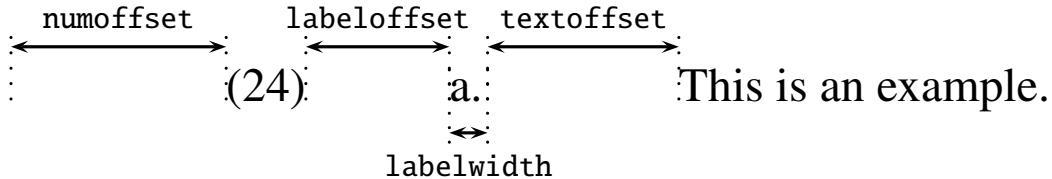
- (96) a. This is the first example.  
b. This is the second example.
- (97) Multipart examples often have a title or preamble of some kind.  
a. This is the first example.  
b. This is the second example.

```
\pex
\a This is the first example.
\a This is the second example.
\xe
```

```
\pex~ Multipart examples often have a title or preamble of some kind.
\a This is the first example.
\a This is the second example.
\xe
```

Just like `\ex`, `\pex` must be closed by `\xe`, can be modified by a tilde diacritic to suppress adding vertical space above the example, and accepts parameters. The macro `\a`, which introduces each labeled part, is defined only within `\pex ... \xe`. It accepts certain parameters. Extra vertical skip (set by `interpartskip`) is inserted between the parts; and extra vertical skip (determined by `belowpreambleskip`) is inserted between the *preamble* and the first part. The preamble is the visible material, if any, that appears after the example number and before the first part.

The horizontal dimensions are parameterized as pictured below, provided that the anchoring parameters have their initial values. The parameters `numoffset` and `textoffset` are used in both `\ex` and `\pex` constructions. The effects of changing the settings of the anchoring parameters (`labelanchor` and `textanchor`) will be considered in Section 6.2.



Adjustment for the width of the example number is automatic, but the width of the label slot is a parameter setting, not adjusted to the width of the particular label which appears in the label slot. The initial setting of `labelwidth` is the width of “a.” at the point that the default setting is established. This does not automatically change if the font is changed, in a footnote for example. It can be set by the user explicitly by setting `labelwidth` to the desired dimension, or as an incremental change to its previous value (`labelwidth=+3pt`, for example, increases the width of the label slot by 3pt). It can also be set indirectly by giving a sample label. `labelwidth` is then set to the current width of that sample. *ExPex* sets the default label width by `samplelabel=a..`

*ExPex* comes with three label types predefined: `alpha`, `caps`, and `numeric`.

```
\pex[labeltype=alpha]
\a First part.
\a Second part.
\xe
```

- (98) a. First part.  
b. Second part.

```
\pex[labeltype=caps]
\a First part.
\a Second part.
\xe
```

- (99) A. First part.  
B. Second part.

```
\pex[labeltype=numeric]
\a First part.
\a Second part.
\xe
```

- (100) 1. First part.  
2. Second part.

Section 6 will detail all the parameters relevant to the label types and how additional label types can be defined by the user.

## 5.1. `nopreamble`

---

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>	<i>default value</i>
<code>nopreamble</code>	boolean	(not relevant)	true

---

In order to properly format examples with parts, there are various reasons that `\pex` must be able to figure out whether or not there is a preamble. One reason is fairly obvious. If there is a preamble, every part introduced by `\a` must start on a new line, otherwise only parts after the first part start a new line. `\pex` tries to figure it out without help. If `\a` directly follows `\pex(~)([...])` and perhaps a following space, `\pex` knows there is no preamble and acts accordingly. There are a few other following tokens, considered later in this manual, that `\pex` also knows are not signals

that there is a preamble. But `\pex`'s preamble detection abilities are primitive. The following, for example, will confuse `\pex`.

```
\pex \it  
\a first  
\a second  
\xe
```

(101)

- a. first*
- b. second*

The `\it` command is interpreted as a preamble.

`\pex` needs some guidance in this case. It is provided by the parameter `nopreamble`.

```
\pex[nopreamble=true] \it  
\a first  
\a second  
\xe
```

(102) *a. first*

- b. second*

In fact, it is a little simpler than this. XKV parametrization allows one to stipulate a default value for each key that is defined. If the key is given to the parameter setting machinery with no value, then the key is set to the default value. `nopreamble` has the default value `true`. So the following is sufficient.

```
\pex[nopreamble] \it  
\a first  
\a second  
\xe
```

(103) *a. first*

- b. second*

The global setting of `nopreamble` is irrelevant to `\pex`, which always assumes there is a preamble unless it sees an immediately following `\a` or `\pex` or is told directly that there is no preamble. In the following, for example, the setting of `nopreamble` outside `\pex` has no effect.

```
\lingset{nopreamble=true}  
\pex \it  
\a first  
\a second  
\xe
```

(104)

- a. first*
- b. second*

## 5.2. Stipulated labels

---

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
label	token list	{}

---

label is recognized as a key only by the \a macro. If label=value is passed to \a, that value is inserted as the label, ignoring automatic label generation.

```
\pex[exno=47]
\a[label=b]
\a[label=d]
\a[label=g]
\xe
```

(47) b.  
d.  
g.

Besides label, the only other key that \a recognizes is tag. See Section 11.2.

## 6. More on examples, with and without labeled parts

In this section, we take up complications and fine points. Users should ignore it until they face a problem that the earlier sections do not deal with.

### 6.1. Relative versus fixed dimensions

*Tex* has two kinds of dimensional units. Dimensions specified in term of “pts”, “inches”, “cm”, etc. are fixed. Dimensions specified in terms of the units “em” or “ex” are relative to the particular text font that is current. Historically, an em is the width of a capital M and an ex is the height of a lowercase x. This is still more or less true, but each font is free to specify the equivalents in any way that it sees fit. The difference has important implications for parameter setting. A value specified in terms of em or ex units can be used without change in both the main text and footnotes, for example. If we set `textoffset=1em` at the beginning of a document, the proportions will stay the same whether we used 10pt or 12pt type, or 8 or 9 pt type in footnotes. If the document is set in 12pt type, and 1em is specified to be 12pt in that main text font, it makes no difference for typesetting in the main text font whether we set `textoffset=1em` or `textoffset=12pt`. But it does make a difference in sections of the document where a font with a different em dimension is used. If we switch to a font with a 10pt em unit, then the first specification will give a physical offset of 10pt, but the second will give a physical offset of 12pt.

When a dimension or skip parameter is reset by incrementing the old value, the new value is specified as a fixed dimension, which will not scale with font changes. The same is true of setting lengths indirectly by setting `labelwidth` or `exnowidth`. Adjusting a parameter by incrementing the old value, or using `samplelabel` or `exnowidth` to set the width of the label slot or the effective width of the example number, should only be used to make local adjustments, not at a level which has font size changes in its scope. For this reason, `expex.tex` specifies the label width

in the label type `alpha` by `labelwidth=.72em`, not by `samplelabel=a..3`. Setting `labelwidth` via the second method would only be satisfactory if the fonts in force at the points that `\pex` is used is the same as the font in force when `expex.tex` is input and the `alpha` style defined.

## 6.2. Anchoring

---

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>labelanchor</code>	<code>numright</code> , <code>numleft</code> , or <code>margin</code>	<code>numright</code>
<code>preambleanchor</code>	<code>numright</code> , <code>labelleft</code> , or <code>text</code>	<code>numright</code>
<code>textanchor</code>	<code>numleft</code> or <code>normal</code>	<code>normal</code>

---

Initially, the left edge of the label slot is determined by its offset from the right edge of the number, the left edge of the preamble is also determined by its offset from the left edge of the number, and the left edge of the text is determined by its offset from the right edge of the label slot. But the “anchor” for an offset is parametrized. In the example below, it is useful to anchor the `labeloffset` at the left edge of the example number.

```
\pex[exno={[47, partially repeated from
p. 32]},labelanchor=numleft,
exnoformat=X,labeloffset=1.5em]
\par
\a[label=b] first
\a[label=d] second
\a[label=g] third
\xe
```

[47, partially repeated from p. 32]

- b. first
- d. second
- g. third

Braces are needed in the specification of the value of `exno`, otherwise `\pex` would think that the key `exno` was set to the value [47 and try to set the key `partially repeated from p. 32` to its default value. `exnoformat` is set to `X` so that parentheses are not put around the special `exno`.

The following would work equally well:

```
\pex[exno={47, partially repeated from
p. 32},labelanchor=numleft,exnoformat={[X]},
labeloffset=1.5em]
:
```

Braces are needed around `[X]` so that the mechanism that reads the optional argument of `\pex` does not interpret the right bracket as the right delimiter of the optional argument.

The `normal` setting of `textanchor` anchors the text at the right edge of the number for `\ex` constructions and the right edge of the label slot for `\pex` constructions.

Here is another example:

---

3. In the font that I happen to be using to write this section, the alphabetical labels (including the period) a–d have widths varying from `.694em` to `.75em`; the capital labels A–D have widths varying from `.917em` to `.972em`; and the integer labels for 1 to 9 all have width `.75em`. The label width settings for the label types `alpha` (`.72em`) and `caps` (`.94em`) are good compromises.

```

\lingset{textanchor=numleft,
  labelanchor=numleft,
  labeloffset=.35in,
  textoffset=.7in}
\pex[exno=9]
\a first
\a second
\xe
\bigskip
\pex[exno=10]
\a first
\a[label=aa] second
\xe

```

- |         |        |
|---------|--------|
| (9) a.  | first  |
| b.      | second |
| (10) a. | first  |
| aa.     | second |

Some publications demand this style, in which both the label and text offsets are measured from the left edge of the number, or from the margin. It is a relic of typewriter days with mechanical tabs.

### 6.3. Formatting the labels

---

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<b>everylabel</b>	token list	{}
<b>labelformat</b>	... A ...	A.

---

The token list **everylabel** is inserted just before labels are typeset. It is grouped so that it affects only the label. The main use is to set the font used for the labels if it differs from the font in the running text. For example:

```

\pex[everylabel=\it]
\a one
\a two
\xe

```

- |          |     |
|----------|-----|
| (105) a. | one |
| b.       | two |

There are other uses aside from setting the label font.

```

\pex[everylabel=A,labeltype=numeric,
  samplelabel=A1.]
\a An example
\a An example
\a An example
\xe

```

- |           |            |
|-----------|------------|
| (106) A1. | An example |
| A2.       | An example |
| A3.       | An example |

The effect of the value of **labelformat** is illustrated in (107).

```
\pex[labelformat=$\langle A \rangle$,
      samplelabel=$\langle a \rangle$]
\a first
\a second
\xe
```

(107) ⟨a⟩ first  
⟨b⟩ second

The example above is fanciful, but one sometimes sees examples in the format below.

```
\pex[exnoformat=X.,labeltype=roman,
      labelformat=(A),samplelabel=(iii)]
\a first
\a second
\a third
\a fourth
\xe
```

108. (i) first  
(ii) second  
(iii) third  
(iv) fourth

The label formatting mechanism is primitive. `labelformat` must be of the form

⟨balanced text⟩ A ⟨balanced text⟩

The pre-A text is inserted before the label (including the material specified by `everylabel`) and the post-A text is inserted after the label. The balanced text cannot contain the character A. *Balanced text* is a string of tokens with properly nested (explicit) braces. No error checking is done to ensure that the format specification has the required form, so be careful. An error might lead to very obscure error messages.

There is some redundancy. The following is an alternate way to get the effect in (105) using `labelformat` instead of `everylabel`.

```
\pex[labelformat=\it A.]
\a one
\a two
\xe
```

(109) a. one  
b. two

Another style sometimes found in footnotes is like the one in (108), except that the labels are right aligned in the label slot.

#### 6.4. Aligning the labels

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>labelalign</code>	<code>left</code> , <code>right</code> , or <code>margin</code>	<code>left</code>

There is a choice of `left`, `right`, or `center` alignment of the labels in the label slot. This is chosen by the parameter `labelalign`, which can be set to `left`, `center`, or `right`. For example,

```
\pex[exno=43,labeltype=roman,
    labelformat=(A),labelalign=right,
    samplelabel=(iii)]
\a first
\a second
\a third
\a fourth
\xe
```

- (43) (i) first  
(ii) second  
(iii) third  
(iv) fourth

This style looks odd to me, but this is the style for multipart examples *in the main text* in Chomsky's *Lectures on Government and Binding*. In footnotes, the style is:

```
\pex[exno=i,labeltype=alpha,
    samplelabel=(a),labelformat=(A)]
\a first
\a second
\a third
\a fourth
\xe
```

- (i) (a) first  
(b) second  
(c) third  
(d) fourth

If you look carefully, the vertical column of parts labels in the last example looks somewhat ragged because the width of “(b)” is slightly larger than the width of “(c)”. Center alignment of the labels gives a neater appearance.

```
\pex[exno=i,labeltype=alpha,
    samplelabel=(a),labelformat=(A),
    labelalign=center]
\a first
\a second
\a third
\a fourth
\xe
```

- (i) (a) first  
(b) second  
(c) third  
(d) fourth

For more ordinary \pex constructions which use the letters or numbers which have roughly the same width, label alignment is not a significant concern. But if labels include, for example, the narrow letter “i” and the wide letter “m”, as below, label alignment has a noticeable effect on the appearance. Individual tastes (and publisher’s demands) may differ, but I prefer center alignment in these cases.

- |                                  |                                    |                                   |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (110) <i>left aligned labels</i> | (111) <i>center aligned labels</i> | (112) <i>right aligned labels</i> |
| i. A typical example.            | i. A typical example.              | i. A typical example.             |
| j. A typical example.            | j. A typical example.              | j. A typical example.             |
| k. A typical example.            | k. A typical example.              | k. A typical example.             |
| l. A typical example.            | l. A typical example.              | l. A typical example.             |
| m. A typical example.            | m. A typical example.              | m. A typical example.             |
| n. A typical example.            | n. A typical example.              | n. A typical example.             |

If the labels are numeric, label alignment can have an even bigger effect. Again, individual tastes and publishers' demands may differ. My preference is right alignment in this case.

- |                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (113) <i>left aligned labels</i><br>7. A typical example.<br>8. A typical example.<br>9. A typical example.<br>10. A typical example.<br>11. A typical example.<br>12. A typical example. | (114) <i>center aligned labels</i><br>7. A typical example.<br>8. A typical example.<br>9. A typical example.<br>10. A typical example.<br>11. A typical example.<br>12. A typical example. | (115) <i>right aligned labels</i><br>7. A typical example.<br>8. A typical example.<br>9. A typical example.<br>10. A typical example.<br>11. A typical example.<br>12. A typical example. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

The initial setting is left alignment for letters (either uppercase or lowercase) and right alignment for numbers. Unless numbers or letters of significantly different widths appear as labels, most users will not notice the difference and can safely ignore the issue.

It is a side issue, but the reader may have wondered how (110–112) and (113–115) were typeset. The idea is simple. You say:

```
\line{\divide\hsize by 3
  \vbox{\pex ... \xe}\hss
  \vbox{\pex ... \xe}\hss
  \vbox{\pex ... \xe}}
```

\hss is used to give a little stretch or shrink so that dimensional rounding does not lead to an under or overfull \line{ ... }. It is important in examples like this that \pexcnt is incremented globally, so that the latter vboxes see the \excnt which results from an operation inside a previous vbox. We will see later that in some situations this behaviour is not desirable and how it can be altered.

Variations are useful. One can easily imagine a situation in which something like the following is appropriate for two side by side examples.

```
\line{%
  \vbox{\hsize=.55\hsize \pex ... \xe}\hss
  \vbox{\hsize=.45\hsize \pex ... \xe}}
```

## 6.5. User designed labeling

---

Macro: \definelabeltype

Counter: \pexcnt

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
labelgen	char, number, or list	char
pexcnt	integer	97
labellist	comma separated list	{}

---

If `labeltype` is set to `alpha`, the counter `\pexcnt` is set to 97, the character code of lowercase `a` in standard roman font sets, and `labelgen` is set to `char`. The successive labels are generated by taking the character corresponding to `\pexcnt` and stepping the counter by 1. This relies on the fact that the alphabetical sequence of characters corresponds to the numerical order of the character codes of the characters. Setting `labeltype` to `caps` is almost the same, except that `\pexcnt` is initialized to 65, the character code of uppercase `A`. If `labeltype` is set to `numeric`, `labelgen` is set to `number` and `\pexcnt` is initialized to 1. The labels are generated by taking the number corresponding to the value of `\pexcnt`.

Something like the following might be useful. In the format I am using, `\mit` selects a math italics font which has the lowercase greek letters starting with the position 11.

```
\pex[labelgen=char,pexcnt=11,
      everylabel=\mit]
\a
\a
\a
\a
\xe
```

(116)	$\alpha.$
	$\beta.$
	$\gamma.$
	$\delta.$

This scheme has a quirk if labels above  $\xi$  are needed because the correspondence between numerical order and alphabetical order breaks down at this point.  $\sigma$  will be missing, with  $\pi$  following  $\xi$ .

This labeling scheme can be defined by:

```
\definelabeltype{greekmath}{labelgen=char,pexcnt=11,everylabel=\mit,
                      labelformat=A.}
```

Then `\pex[labeltype=greekmath]` is sufficient to invoke this labeling style.

If a sequence of character labels is needed which does not appear in sequence in a font, it is necessary to generate the labels from a list. Documents in Greek, for example, face the following problem. Roman letters were largely borrowed from the Greek alphabet, but Greek alphabetical order was not. Common greek fonts place letters in the position of the borrowing, not in their natural order in the Greek alphabet. Documents written in Greek, therefore, will have to generate the labels in multipart examples from a list. The solution is to set `labelgen` to `list`, and `labellist` to the desired list of labels.

For example, suppose the label type `greek` is defined by

```
\definelabeltype{greek}{labelgen=list,
                      labellist={a,b,g,d,e,z,h,j,i,k,l,m,n,x,o,p,r,sv,t,u,f,q,y,w}}
```

and that `\gr` selects one of the grmn series of fonts in the cb family of Greek fonts.

```
\gr
\pex[labeltype=greek]
\a {\rm a,b,g,d,e,z}
\a a,b,g,d,e,z
\a {\rm a,b,c,d,e,f}
\a a,b,c,d,e,f
\a {\rm A,B,G,D,E,Z}
\a A,B,G,D,E,Z
\xe
```

- |       |                |
|-------|----------------|
| (117) | α. a,b,g,d,e,z |
|       | β. α,β,γ,δ,ε,ζ |
|       | γ. a,b,c,d,e,f |
|       | δ. α,β,ζ,δ,ε,φ |
|       | ε. A,B,G,D,E,Z |
|       | ζ. A,B,Γ,Δ,E,Z |

“sv” appears in the list rather than “v” so that a nonfinal sigma is produced rather than a final sigma. They differ. “v” produces what amounts to a vertical strut of zero width, making the sigma nonfinal, but contributing no visible material. (Thanks to Christos Vlachos for this idea.)

Of course, if the entire document is written in Greek, then

```
\lingset{labeltype=greek}
```

should have global scope, so that parameter setting is not necessary in each \pex construction.

The computation is more efficient if the label list is shorter, so the label list should not be much longer than the longest list you anticipate using. If more labels are called for than the list provides, labeling starts over again at the beginning and a warning is issued.

## 6.6. The parameter samplexno

---

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
samplexno	token list	{}

---

In some publications, if two examples are close together in the running text and the widths of the typeset example numbers are different, the offsets are modified so that the texts in the two examples are aligned. The following is considered, under this stringent aesthetic, to be less than ideal.

- |     |                                                   |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------|
| (9) | a. I consider firemen available. (generic only)   |
|     | b. I consider firemen intelligent. (generic only) |

Exceptional case marking (ECM) verbs seem more or less to allow both existential and generic interpretations of complement subjects:

- |      |                                                                      |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (10) | a. I believe firemen to be available. (both generic and existential) |
|      | b. I believe violists to be intelligent. (generic only)              |

*ExPex* provides the parameter samplexno to handle this formatting problem. If the parameter is set to the empty token list, it has no effect of the formatting. If it is set to a nonempty token list, that token list is put in an hbox and its width is taken to be the effective typeset width of the example number.

- (9) a. I consider firemen available. (generic only)  
     b. I consider firemen intelligent. (generic only)

Exceptional case marking (ECM) verbs seem more or less to allow both existential and generic interpretations of complement subjects:

- (10) a. I believe firemen to be available. (both generic and existential)  
     b. I believe violists to be intelligent. (generic only)

```
\pex[sampleexno=(10)]
\a I consider firemen available. (generic only)
\a I consider firemen intelligent. (generic only)
\xe
Exceptional case marking (ECM) verbs seem more or less to allow both
existential and generic interpretations of complement subjects:
\pex
\a I believe firemen to be available. (both generic and existential)
\a I believe violists to be intelligent. (generic only)
\xe
```

This kind of fine tuning should only be done at the immediately pre-publication point because it depends upon the final assignment of example numbers and an aesthetic judgement of when two multipart examples are “visually close” in the finished product.

It seems to be common for publishers to do fine tuning of this sort in footnotes. There are two reasons for this. First, lowercase roman numerals are commonly used and their widths vary noticeably. Second, only a few examples are involved, assuming that examples numbers in a footnote start at (i), so the final assignments of example numbers is relatively easy to determine. The role of `sampleexno` in footnotes is taken up in Section 6.8.

## 6.7. IJAL style format of multiline examples

Macro: `\actualexno`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>	<i>default value</i>
<code>avoidnumlabelclash</code>	boolean	<code>false</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>appendtopexarg</code>	token list	<code>{}</code>	

The formatting demands of the International Journal of American Linguistics (IJAL) require some additional parametrization. Multipart examples look like this:

```
(4a) first
(4b) second
(64) Preamble
(64a) first
(64b) second
(1025) Preamble
(1025a) first
(1025b) second
```

A first approximation is

```
\lingset{labelanchor=numleft,labeloffset=0pt,
        textanchor=normal,textoffset=1.8em,
        preambleanchor=text,preambleoffset=0pt,
        labelformat=(A),everylabel=\actualexno}
```

`\actualexno` expands to the numerical value in `\excnt`, provided no special example number is set by `exno`, otherwise to the special example number. But the results (below) have some major problems.

```
(5a) first
(5b) second
(65) Preamble
(65a) first
(65b) second
(102) Preamble
(102a)first
(102b)second
```

There are two things that need to be done. First, in order to avoid printing both the example number and the label of the first part in examples with no preamble, as is the case in (5), printing the example number must be suppressed if there is no preamble. Second, in order to avoid the shrinking gap between the label and the text as more digits appear in the example number and it gets wider, the label width must be made dependent on the example number.

*ExPex* provides the boolean parameter `avoidnumlabelclash` which, if set to `true`, suppresses printing the example number in `\pex` constructions *if there is no preamble*. It has the XKV default value `true`, so that it can be set by giving the key with no label. Although it has the default value `true`, it has the initial value `false`. So, with the parameters set as above, we get:

```
\pex[exno=5,avoidnumlabelclash]
\ a first
\ a second
\ xe
```

(5a) first
(5b) second

In order to solve the problem of the shrinking gap between the label and text, we could try something like `\samplelabel=(\actualexno a)`. But it is considerably less than elegant to have to write this in every `\pex` example. It will not produce the desired result to put `\lingset{\samplelabel=(\actualexno a)}` at the beginning of the document. `labelwidth` will be set to whatever the current width of `(\actualexno a)` is, which is not likely to be what you want for the entire document even if `\actualexno` happens to be defined at the point that the `\lingset` is executed. To circumvent the global/local problem, *ExPex* provides the parameter `appendtopexarg`. Its value (unexpanded) is appended to whatever other arguments are given to `\pex` and evaluated locally.

```
\lingset{appendtopexarg={\samplelabel=(\actualexno a)}}
```

accomplishes what we want.

We can summarize the discussion by defining the IJAL style.

```
\definelingstyle{IJAL}{labelwidth=2em,labelanchor=numleft,
labeloffset=0pt,labelformat=(A),everylabel=\actualexno,
textanchor=normal,textoffset=1em,preambleanchor=text,
preambleoffset=0pt,avoidnumlabelclash,
appendtopexarg={\samplelabel=(\actualexno a)}}}
```

Then

```
\lingset{lingstyle=IJAL}
\pex[exno=5]
\ a first
\ a second
\xe

\pex~[exno=65]
Preamble
\ a first
\ a second
\xe

\pex~[exno=1026]
Preamble
\ a first
\ a second
\xe
```

- |         |          |
|---------|----------|
| (5a)    | first    |
| (5b)    | second   |
| (65)    | Preamble |
| (65a)   | first    |
| (65b)   | second   |
| (1026)  | Preamble |
| (1026a) | first    |
| (1026b) | second   |

## 6.8. Footnotes and endnotes

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Macro: \keepexcntlocal

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Footnotes and endnotes pose a somewhat thorny problem since many different *Tex* and *LaTex* macros are used to typeset footnotes and endnotes. Further, there are different ways of assigning example numbers and labels in multipart examples in footnotes. The footnote referenced at the end of this sentence is representative.<sup>4</sup> It is an abbreviated version of footnote 17 in Chapter 2 of Diesing's *Indefinites*, MIT Press. This footnote style is fairly common.

The *ExPex* distribution contains two files, *eptexfn.tex* and *extxfn.sty* which may be helpful in producing footnotes in this style. They do two things. First, they each define a macro (\everyfootnote) which, if evaluated at the start of processing a footnote, ensures that examples are correctly formatted. Second, they each perform surgery on a standard \footnote macro so that (among other things) \everyfootnote is inserted in the appropriate place.

I intend these macro files both to be used directly or to serve as models for the creation of variations which satisfy user needs. To the latter end, I will go through *expex.sty* and explain how it works. The file listing is:

```
1 \makeatletter
2 \def\everyfootnote{%
3   \keepexcntlocal
4   \excnt=1
5   \lingset{exskip=1ex,exnotetype=roman,sampleexno=
6     labeltype=alpha,labelanchor=numright,labeloffset=.6em,
7     textoffset=.6em}
8 }
9 \renewcommand{\@makefntext}[1]{%
10   \everyfootnote
11   \parindent=1em
12   \noindent
13   \@thefnmark.\enspace #1%
14 }
15 \resetatcatcode
```

Lines 2–8 define the macro \everyfootnote which will be inserted into the footnote macro. It first ensures that changes in excnt that are made in the footnote are kept local to the footnote. \keepexcntlocal is an *ExPex* macro whose execution causes changes in \exnt to be kept local

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4. The existential reading does not seem to be available for subjects of small clause complements of *consider*:

- (i) a. I consider firemen available. (generic only)
- b. I consider firemen intelligent. (generic only)

Exceptional case marking (ECM) verbs seem more or less to allow both existential and generic interpretations of complement subjects:

- (ii) a. I believe firemen to be available. (both generic and existential)
- b. I believe violists to be intelligent. (generic only)

to the group in which `\keepexntlocalo` is executed. Without `\keepexntlocal`, changes in `excnt` inside a footnote would be visible outside the footnote group in which the changes occur. `excnt` is then initialized. Finally, parameters are set which control the formatting of examples in the footnote. The LaTex `\footnote` command uses `\@makefntext` to typeset the footnote. It is defined in the `cls` file which is used. The redefinition in lines 9–14 is a modification of the `\@makefntext` macro defined in *article.cls*. It first executes `\everyfootnote`, then prints the footnote number flush left at full footnote size, not as a superscript.

Assuming that `\usepackage{epltxfn}` has been executed, the following code produces fn. 4.

```
\footnote{%
\lingset{sampleexno=(ii)}
The existential reading does not seem to be available for subjects of
small clause complements of {\it consider}:/:
\pex
\a I consider firemen available. (generic only)
\a I consider firemen intelligent. (generic only)
\xe
Exceptional case marking (ECM) verbs seem more or less to allow both
existential and generic interpretations of complement subjects:
\pex
\a I believe firemen to be available. (both generic and existential)
\a I believe violists to be intelligent. (generic only)
\xe
}
```

The code in *eptexfn.tex* is somewhat more complicated because *Plain Tex* does not number footnotes and uses the same font for running text and footnotes. `\everyfootnote` is identical. If it is compared with the footnote macros in the *TexBook* (p. 363), on which it is modeled, it is easy to see the significance of the various modifications.

I anticipate that although the footnote macros in *epltxfn.sty* and *eptexfn.tex* will be useful to some readers without modification, other users will need to modify them for one reason or the other. Endnotes, in particular, will require work. I hope that these two files will serve as useful models. Of course, trivial modifications of the various dimensions can be done easily. More extensive modification require appropriate levels of expertise. Users should feel free to write to me directly (*j.frampton@neu.edu*) or post questions to the *Ling-Tex* discussion group, or to send me modifications that might prove useful to others. A file *epltxfn-endnotes.sty*, for example, would be useful.

## 7. User defined styles

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Macro: `\definelingstyle`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>everyex†</code>	token list	{}
<code>Everyex†</code>	token list	{}

---

Aside from all the *ExPex* parameters introduced to this point, there are numerous *Tex* parameters that affect the appearance of examples: line spacing, hsize, font selection, etc. These are all quantities that *Tex* itself provides mechanisms for setting to suit the user. You may want to make adjustments of these parameters every time a particular kind of example is typeset, so that special settings hold inside these examples independently of the contextual settings. For example, suppose you have many examples that, for some reason, you want to format like (118), with a narrow width, italic font, an oversized gap between the example number and the text, and a somewhat greater than normal separation between baselines.

```
(118)    Und hier können wir sehen was
            für Unfug wird gemacht wenn er
            einen ganz langen Satz binnen
            kriegt.
```

One way to do this is:

```
\ex[textoffset=3em]
\hsize=3in \rightskip=0pt plus 2em \it \advance\baselineskip by 2pt
Und hier k\"onnen wir sehen was f\"ur Unfug wird gemacht
wenn er einen ganz langen Satz binnen kriegt.
\xe
```

Some rightskip is included because with such a narrow width it is otherwise difficult to avoid overfull lines.

If you have many examples that you want to typeset in this way that are scattered throughout a document, it is awkward to have to remember all of these settings and enter them each time an example of this kind needs to be formatted. Furthermore, if you change your mind about some detail of this special formatting, you need to go through the document and change each instance of this formatting. *ExPex* allows you to package all the formatting changes into one named unit, called a “style”. If this style is called “narrow italic”, then you can write the following to achieve the format of (118).

```
\ex[lingstyle=narrow italic]
```

The various format specifications are packaged into a style by saying:

```
\definelingstyle{narrow italic}{textoffset=3em,
  everyex={\hsize=3in \rightskip=0pt plus 2em
            \it \advance\baselineskip by 2pt}}
```

Thereafter, setting the parameter `lingstyle` to `narrow italic` has the effect of setting all the parameters as specified in the style definition (the two parameters `textoffset` and `everyex` in this example). The parameter `everyex` works in the following way. If `everyex` is set to `value`, a macro `\lingeveryex` is defined whose expansion is `value`. When an `\ex` or `\pex` construction is initiated, *after* any parameter settings take effect, `\lingeveryex` is executed.

*ExPex* provides a second parameter, `Everyex`, which is similar to `expex`. If `Expex` is set to `value`, a macro `Ling@Everytex` is defined. When an `\ex` or `\pex` construction is initiated, *before* after any local parameter changes take effect, `\LingEveryex` is executed. The reasons for

providing both `everyex` and `Everyex` are subtle. Different stages of the writing/rewriting/editing process may call for different treatments of example formatting, particularly if the final aim is a camera ready product. Suppose you normally make double spaced drafts with an `hsize` of 6.5 in and that your final aim is to produce camera ready copy with an `hsize` of 4.375 in. Suppose also that you are at editing stage where you want to see exactly how the examples will be formatted in the finished product, but still want full width double spaced text. One way to accomplish this is to say

```
\lingset{everyex={\hsize=4.375in \normalbaselines}}
```

at the beginning of your document. `\normalbaselines` is a standard *Tex* macro which establishes the normal line spacing for the current font. This makes the `hsize` and line spacing inside examples independent of the `hsize` and line spacing you select for the text (outside examples).

This will accomplish what you want. But it makes the further use of `everyex` in your document awkward. If you want a particular example to be set in italics, for example, you might think to use:

```
\ex[everyex=\it]
```

This will certainly produce an italicized example because `\it` will be evaluated early on in typesetting the example. But it has the unfortunate consequence of overwriting the initial setting of `everyex`, removing the special line spacing within examples.

`Everyex` is provided to accommodate situations like this. The intention is that special settings that should hold inside examples throughout the document are assigned to `Everyex`, with `expex` reserved for local variations. Since `\lingEveryex` is evaluated before local parameter changes take effect, parameter settings specified by `Expex` will be overridden by any local parameter settings.

## 8. Judgment marks

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Macros: `\judge`, `\ljudge`

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>	<i>default value</i>
*	sample judgment string	*	*

---

In examples without parts, not much needs to be said.

```
\ex *Jack and Jill wented up the hill.\xe
```

(119) \*Jack and Jill wented up the hill.

In my view (120), with a little whitespace inserted between the asterisk and the example sentence, looks somewhat better than (119), but the difference is slight.

```
\ex \judge* Jack and Jill is going up the hill.\xe
```

- (120) \*Jack and Jill wented up the hill.

*ExPex* provides the macro `\judge` to accomplish this. `\judge` takes one argument. A multi-character judgment diacritic therefore needs to be surrounded in braces. `\judge` also ignores following spaces. So `\judge{??}Mary...` and `\judge{??} Mary...` produce the same thing, as do `\judge*Mary...` and `\judge* Mary...`

Multipart examples are more complex, if alignment is to be maintained. If you find (121) satisfactory, what follows will not be of much interest. But if you would like the text (not including the judgment marks) to be aligned, read on.

- (121) a. There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
b. ?\*There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
c. \*There is the pair of pants on the floor.

*ExPex* provides the macro `\ljudge` which pushes the judgment diacritics into the gap between the labels and the examples, instead of pushing the examples to the right to make room for the judgment diacritics. So

```
\pex  
\a There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
\a \ljudge{?*}There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
\a \ljudge*There is the pair of pants on the floor.  
\xe
```

produces

- (122) a. There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
b.?\*There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
c.\*There is the pair of pants on the floor.

Unfortunately, depending on the setting of `textoffset`, there is unlikely to be sufficient room for judgment diacritics in between the labels and the examples. `textoffset` needs to be increased to make room.

*ExPex* provides the pseudo parameter to facilitate adjusting the text offset.

```
\pex[*=?*]  
\a There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
\a \ljudge{?*}There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
\a \ljudge*There is the pair of pants on the floor.  
\xe
```

- (123) a. There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
 b. ?\*There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
 c. \*There is the pair of pants on the floor.

`textoffset` is increased by the width of the judgment diacritic which is furnished as the value of the parameter `*`.

If you say `\lingset{*}`, with no value assigned to `*`, it is given a default value, which happens to be `*`. So `\lingset{*}` is equivalent to `\lingset{*=*}`. So, for example:

```
\pex[*]
\a There is a pair of pants on the floor.
\a \ljudge* There are a pair of pants on the floor.
\a \ljudge* There is the pair of pants on the floor.
\xe
```

- (124) a. There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
 b. \*There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
 c. \*There is the pair of pants on the floor.

If you think that the text offset in (123) is too large, `textoffset` can be further adjusted directly, so you could write

```
\pex[*=?*,textoffset=!-.3em]
\a There is a pair of pants on the floor.
\a \ljudge{?*} There are a pair of pants on the floor.
\a \ljudge* There is the pair of pants on the floor.
\xe
```

- (125) a. There is a pair of pants on the floor.  
 b. ?\*There are a pair of pants on the floor.  
 c. \*There is the pair of pants on the floor.

## 9. Glosses

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Macros: `\begingl[]`, `\glpreamble[]`, `\gla[]`, `\glb[]`, `\glc[]`, `\glft[]`, `\endgl`

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Before I introduce the parameters that control the characteristics of gloss displays, here are a few examples done with the initial settings of the parameters.

- (126) *k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk*  
CL V AGR NEG AGR TNS AGR  
2 see 3ACC 2PL preterit 3PL  
‘you (pl) didn’t see them’

```
\ex
\begin{gl}
\gla k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb CL V AGR NEG AGR TNS AGR //
\glb 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\end{gl}
\xe
```

- (127) *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht stören würde seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten.*  
Mary is sure that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would his-DAT girlfriend-DAT her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw  
‘Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her heart to his girlfriend.’

```
\ex
\begin{gl}
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren w\"urde
seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//
\glb Mary is sure that it the-{\sc acc} Hans not annoy would
his-{\sc dat} girlfriend-{\sc dat} her-{\sc acc}
heart-{\sc acc} {out to throw}//
\glft 'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her
heart to his girlfriend.'//
\end{gl}
\xe
```

- (128) *Um-äsuđđa' häm yan i taotao ni si Juan ilek-ña nu guahu malägu' gui asuddä'-ña.*  
*Um-äsuđđa' häm yan [i taotao [O ni si Juan ilek-ña nu guahu [malägu'
agr-meet we with the person Op Comp the Juan say-agr Obl me agr.want
gui [asuddä'-ña t]]]].*  
he WH[obl].meet-agr  
‘I met the person who Juan told me he wanted to meet.’

```

\ex
\begingl
\glpreamble Um-\\"asudda' h\"am yan i taotao ni si Juan
    ilek-\~na nu guahu mal\"agu' gui asudd\\\"a'-\~na.//
\gla Um-\\"asudda' h\"am yan [ i taotao [ {\it O}\{ } ni si Juan
    ilek-\~na nu guahu [ mal\"agu' gui [ asudd\\\"a'-\~na {\it
    t}\{ }\} ] ] @ .//
\glb agr-meet we with the person Op Comp the Juan say-agr Obl me
    agr.want he {\it WH}\{ }\[obl].meet-agr// 
\glft ‘I met the person who Juan told me he wanted to
    meet.’// 
\endgl
\xe

```

Glosses (`\begingl` ... `\endgl`) have up to three parts. First, an optional preamble (`\glpreamble` ... `//`). Second, an interlinear gloss, which is also optional provided there is a preamble.<sup>5</sup> Third, a free translation (`\glft` ... `//`), which can be omitted if there is an interlinear gloss. They are illustrated below, which repeats (128) with a narrower hsize.

- (129) Um-ä<sup>s</sup>udda' häm yan i taotao ni si Juan ilek-ña  
 nu guahu malägu' gui asuddä'-ña.
- Um-ä<sup>s</sup>udda' häm yan [i taotao [O ni  
 agr-meet we with the person Op Comp  
 si Juan ilek-ña nu guahu [malägu' gui  
 the Juan say-agr Obl me agr.want he  
 [asuddä'-ña t]]].*
- “I met the person who Juan told me he wanted  
 to meet.”
- 

The interlinear gloss consists of a sequence of lines of the form

`\gllevelname ... //`

where `levelname` is a, b, or c.<sup>6</sup> There must be one and only one `\gla` line, which must come first in the interlinear gloss. `\glb` and `\glc` lines can come in any order and can be repeated arbitrarily.

The material delineated by `\gllevelname` and `//` is parsed as a sequence of space separated items. The parser only looks for spaces at the top-level. Consequently, in (128), for example, it is not sensitive to the space in items like `the-\{ \sc acc }` since the space is inside a group, therefore not at the top level. Spaces that directly precede terminating `//` are disregarded. A line in the interlinear gloss can have fewer items on it than the line above it. It acts as if it ended with empty `\{ \}` items. But *no line in the interlinear gloss can have more items than the line above it*. If there are “excess” items on a line, they will act as if they are on the higher line (recursively).

5. Contrary to first impressions, there are good reasons to allow the interlinear gloss to be omitted in certain situations.

6. This will be extended later to allow the user to define new level names.

## 9.1. Parameters

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Parameters:

Horizontal spacing		
<code>glspace<sup>†</sup></code>	(!)dimension	1em
Font changes, struts, etc.		
<code>everygl</code>	token list	{}
<code>everyglpreamble</code>	token list	{}
<code>everygla</code>	token list	\it
<code>everyglb</code>	token list	{}
<code>everyglc</code>	token list	{}
<code>everyglft</code>	token list	{}
Vertical spacing		
<code>belowglpreambleskip<sup>†</sup></code>	(!)dimension	1ex
<code>aboveglbskip<sup>†</sup></code>	(!)dimension	0pt
<code>aboveglcskip<sup>†</sup></code>	(!)dimension	0pt
<code>aboveglftskip<sup>†</sup></code>	(!)dimension	1ex

---

Suppose for example that rather than the gloss in (126) the following style is desired.

(130)	k-	wapm	-a	-s'i	-m	-wapunin	-uk
	CL	V	AGR	NEG	AGR	TNS	AGR
	2	see	3ACC		2PL	preterit	3PL
'you (pl) didn't see them'							

There are several differences with (126). The words are more widely separated; the font in the `\gla` line is not italic; the font in the free translation is italic; the first `\glb` line is set in a smaller font and is moved up closer to the `\gla` line; and there is no extra vertical skip between the free translation and the last line of the interlinear gloss, as there is in (126).

Here is one way to write the code:

```
\ex
\begingl[glspace=2em]
\gla[everygla=] k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb[everyglb=\sc, aboveglbskip=-.4ex]
  cl v agr neg agr tns agr //
\glb 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft[everyglft=\it, aboveglftskip=0pt] 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\endgl
\xe
```

Here is an alternative which produces the same output. It has the advantage that all of the parameter settings are gathered in one place, making it easier to modify.

```
\ex
\begin{gl}[glspage=2em, everygla=, everyglb=\sc,
    aboveglbskip=-.4ex, everyglft=\it, aboveglftskip=0pt]
\gla k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb cl v agr neg agr tns agr //
\glc 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\end{gl}
\xe
```

If you use multiple instances of the same gloss format, a style should be defined

```
\definingstyle{Potawatami}{glspage=2em, everygla=, everyglb=\sc,
    aboveglbskip=-.4ex, everyglft=\it, aboveglftskip=0pt}
```

Then, typesetting a gloss in that style is done simply.

```
\ex
\begin{gl[lingstyle=Potawatami]
\gla k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb Ccl V Agr Neg Agr Tns Agr //
\glc 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\end{gl}
\xe
```

If you want a sequence of glosses to all be done in this style, you can say:

```
\begingroup
\lingset{lingstyle=Potawatami}
:
\endgroup
```

## 9.2. The width of the gloss

In the wrap style (the only gloss style currently implemented), the gloss is built in a vbox whose width is determined implicitly if the parameter `glwidth` is set to 0pt. The width is  $h - l - r$ , where  $h$ ,  $l$ , and  $r$ , are the current values of `\hsize`, `\leftskip`, and `\rightskip`, respectively. This implicit determination of the width of the gloss is appropriate for use with the *ExPex* macros which typeset examples because they adjust the `leftskip` appropriately inside examples.

If you want to supply an example number or explicit label, it will not work to say something like the following if `glwidth` is set to 0pt.

```
[A]\quad \begin{gl} ... \end{gl}
```

The vbox built by the gloss macro will not fit on the same line with the [A].

You must say:

```
\ex[exno=A, exnoformat={[X]}] \begingl ... \endgl
```

The braces around [A] are needed to so that the optional argument is correctly delineated. For example:

```
[6), p. 14] Maryi ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht stören würde seiner Freundin ihri Herz auszuschütten.  
Mary is sure that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would his-DAT girlfriend-DAT  
her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw
```

```
\ex[exno={(6), p. 14}, exnoformat={[X]}]  
\begingl  
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren w\"urde  
seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//  
\glb Mary is sure that it the-\{sc acc\} Hans not annoy would  
his-\{sc dat\} girlfriend-\{sc dat\} her-\{sc acc\} heart-\{sc acc\} {out to  
throw}//  
\endgl  
\xe
```

If the parameter `glwidth` is set to a nonzero dimension, the width of the vbox that the gloss is constructed in is the specified dimension.

The following example illustrates the usefulness of the explicit width option.

- (131) a. *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht stören würde seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten.*  
Mary is sure that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would his-DAT  
girlfriend-DAT her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw
- b. *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, dass seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten dem Hans nicht schaden würde.*  
Mary is sure that his-DAT girlfriend-DAT her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw the-DAT Hans not  
damage would

'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her heart to his girlfriend.'

'Mary is sure that to reveal her heart to his girlfriend would not damage John.'

```
\ex[glwidth=2.6in]  
a.\quad  
\begingl  
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren w\"urde  
seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//  
\glb Mary is sure that it the-\{sc acc\} Hans not annoy would  
his-\{sc dat\} girlfriend-\{sc dat\} her-\{sc acc\} heart-\{sc acc\} {out to  
throw}//
```

```

\glft 'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her
heart to his girlfriend.'//
\endgl
\hfil
b.\quad
\begingl
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass seiner Freunden ihr$_i$ Herz
auszuch\"utten dem Hans nicht schaden w\"urde.//
\glb Mary is sure that his-{\sc dat} girlfriend-{\sc dat} her-{\sc acc}
heart-{\sc acc} {out to throw} the-{\sc dat} Hans not damage would//
\glft 'Mary is sure that to reveal her heart to his girlfriend
would not damage John.'//
\endgl
\xe

```

### 9.3. Comments and citations

---

Macros: \trailingcitation, \rightcomment

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>mincitesep</code>	dimension	1.5em

---

The following illustrates two different ways to append a comment or citation to a gloss.

(132) <i>k-wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk</i>	[Potawatami]
Cl V Agr <sub>1</sub> Neg Agr <sub>2</sub> Tns Agr <sub>3</sub>	category
2 see 3Acc 2PL preterit 3PL	
'you (pl) didn't see them'	(Hockett 1948, p. 143)

```

\ex
\begingl
\gla \rightcomment{[Potawatami]}k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glb \rightcomment{category}Cl V Agr$_1$ Neg Agr$_2$ Tns Agr$_3$//
\glb 2 see {\sc 3acc} {} {\sc 2pl} preterit {\sc 3pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'\trailingcitation{(Hockett 1948,
p. 143)}//
\endgl
\xe

```

\trailingcitation will put the citation on the same line as the last line of the free translation if there is enough room for it, otherwise at the end of the following line. The parameter `mincitesep` determines the minimum whitespace between the end of the free translation and the citation that is tolerated; the default is 1.5em.

\rightcomment{...} must come first in the first item on the line. The macro is very primitive. It does not consider the width of the citation or the amount of whitespace at the right of the gloss. The citation will overlap the gloss if there is not room for it at the right. For example, if the gloss (132) is attempted with an hsize of 3.5 in and glspace=.5em, the result is (133).

- (133) *k-wapm -a -s'i -m -wap* [Dawakami]  
 Cl V Agr<sub>1</sub> Neg Agr<sub>2</sub> Tns category  
 2 see 3ACC 2PL preterit 3PL  
 ‘you (pl) didn’t see them’  
 (Hockett 1948, p. 143)

In spite of its limitations, \rightcomment is occasionally quite useful.

#### 9.4. Exceptional \gla items

Items on the \gla line are generally associated with items on the other lines of the interlinear gloss. There are however a few items, called here *exceptional items*, which are interpreted in an exceptional fashion. There are four exceptional items, all consisting of a single character: +, @, [, and ].

##### 9.4.1 +

Sometimes it is desirable to override natural wrapping and break up the gloss so that the syntax is emphasized, as in the following.

- (134) *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher,*  
 Mary is sure  
*dass es den Hans nicht stören würde*  
 that it the-ACC Hans not annoy would  
*seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten.*  
 his-DAT girlfriend-DAT her-ACC heart-ACC out to throw  
 ‘Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her heart to his girlfriend.’

This is accomplished by inserting ‘+’ appropriately, as shown in the code below. When + is encountered, the line is broken and a new line started, ignoring any hanging indentation.

```
\ex\begingl
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, + dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren w\"urde
+ seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//
\glb Mary is sure that it the-\{sc acc\} Hans not annoy would
his-\{sc dat\} girlfriend-\{sc dat\} her-\{sc acc\} heart-\{sc acc\} {out to
throw}//
```

```
\glft 'Mary is sure that it would not annoy John to reveal her
heart to his girlfriend.'//  
\endgl  
\xe
```

#### 9.4.2 @

Sometimes it is desirable to omit the space between two entries.

(135) <i>wiye kepi e- ca</i>
two whitemen 1P:3D-found

This is accomplished by inserting '@' appropriately, as shown in the code below.

```
\ex  
\begingl  
\gla wiye kepi e- @ ca//  
\glb two whitemen {\sc 1p:3d}- found//  
\endgl  
\xe
```

In the unlikely event that you need an entry which would normally be entered as @, enter it as {{@}} so that it is not interpreted as a directive to omit a space. (136) below shows another use for the @ diacritic.

#### 9.4.3 [ and ]: Bracketing in glosses

Macros: \printlbrack, \printrbrack

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
glbrackbracksep†	dimension	.05em
glbrackwordsep†	dimension	.1em

Suppose you want to produce a gloss display like the one below.

(136) a. Fa'nu'i yu' ni [[ <i>O</i> tinaitai-mu <i>t</i> ] na lepblu]. show me Obl Op WH[obj].read-agr L book “Show me the book that you read.”
b. Um-ässudda' häm yan [i taotao [ <i>O</i> ni si Juan ilek-ña nu guahu agr-meet we with the person Op Comp the Juan say-agr Obl me [malägu' gui [asuddä'-ña <i>t</i> ]]]]. agr.want he WH[obl].meet-agr “I met the person who Juan told me he wanted to meet.”

The brackets are not glossed; there is a little extra space between brackets; and there is a little extra space between words and brackets.

(136) is produced by:

```
\pex[everygla=]
\a \begingl
\gla Fa'nu'i yu' ni [ [ {\it 0} t{\it in}/aitai-mu {\it t}/ ] na
lepblu ] @ .// 
\glb show me Obl Op {\it WH}/[obj].read-agr {} L book// 
\glft "Show me the book that you read."// 
\endgl
\a \begingl
\gla Um-\"asudda' h\"am yan [ i taotao [ {\it 0}/ ] ni si Juan
ilek-\~na nu guahu [ mal\"agu' gui [ asudd\"a'-\~na {\it
t}/ ] ] ] @ .// 
\glb agr-meet we with the person Op Comp the Juan say-agr Obl me
agr.want he {\it WH}/[obl].meet-agr// 
\glft "I met the person who Juan told me he wanted to meet."// 
\endgl
\xe
```

@ is used in the gla-line to eliminate an unwanted space before the period.

*ExPex* uses the macros `\printrbrack` and `\printlbrack` to typeset the brackets. The definitions of these macros could be changed to cause [ and ] in glosses to insert something other than simple brackets.

## 9.5. Line spacing in wrapped glosses

### 9.5.1 Changes from version 4.0

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
abovemodeglskip <sup>†</sup>	(!)skip	1 ex

Executing the macro `\gloldstyle` will return *ExPex* to a state in which glosses written using version 4.0 should display as they did using version 4.0. The parameter `abovemodeglskip` which was used to control wrap spacing in glosses is still recognized, but it is now considered obsolete and should be avoided in future work.

### 9.5.2 Simple control

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
autoglskip	boolean	true
extraglskip <sup>†</sup>	(!)skip	0pt

In deciding on a gloss format, the main decision is the value of what I call the *glskip*, as illustrated below.

(137)	<i>Ti ma'a'ñao hao kumuentusi</i>
	not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to ↑ baselineskip
glskip	↑ <i>ni háiyi ha'.</i>
	not anyone Emp
	“You’re not afraid to talk to anyone.”

Generally, the desired glskip is equal to the baselineskip or equal to the baselineskip plus some specified increment. When I have occasion to typeset glosses, I generally make the glskip equal to the baselineskip plus .6ex. The extra space, although small, makes it much easier to parse the gloss visually. The extra glskip in (137) is 1.2ex.

ExPex initializes the glossing algorithm so that it produces glosses like (138). The glskip is equal to the baselineskip. This is done in *expex.tex* by setting `autoglskip` to true and `extraglskip` to 0pt. In adjusting the glskip, struts are used. It is assumed that the strut height plus the strut depth is equal to the baselineskip. Most users will never reset `autoglskip`. The next section discusses vertical spacing when `autoglskip` is set to false. (`glwidth` is set to 2.4in in all of the examples in this section in the interests of “economy of space”.)

```
\ex
\begin{gl}
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
    ni h\`ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
    Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\end{gl}
\xe
```

(138)	<i>Ti ma'a'ñao hao kumuentusi</i>
	not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to
	<i>ni háiyi ha'.</i>
	not anyone Emp

It is easy to produce glosses like (139) by adjusting the parameter `extraglskip`. In (139), the glskip is 1.2ex larger than the baselineskip.

```
\ex
\begin{gl}[extraglskip=1.2ex]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
    ni h\`ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
    Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\end{gl}
\xe
```

(139)	<i>Ti ma'a'ñao hao kumuentusi</i>
	not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to
	<i>ni háiyi ha'.</i>
	not anyone Emp

If `extraglskip` is expressed in font dependent units, the format for glosses will not need adjustment for glosses in footnotes which are set in smaller type with tighter baselines. This assumes that the footnote environment adjusts the strut size appropriately, as it should, with the height plus depth of struts made equal to the baselineskip. The text in (140) is set in a 12pt font with 14pt baselines. Struts are 10pt high and 4pt deep. `\fnevironment` switches to a 10pt font with 12pt baselines, with struts that are 8.5pt high and 3.5pt deep.

```
\ex
\begingl[extraglskip=1ex]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
    ni h\`ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
    Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\endgl
\xe
```

```
\fnenvironment
\ex
\begingl[extraglskip=1ex]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
    ni h\`ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
    Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\endgl
\xe
```

- (140) *Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi*  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to  
*ni h\`ayiyi ha'.*  
not anyone Emp

- (141) *Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi ni*  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to not  
*h\`ayiyi ha'.*  
anyone Emp

Most users will never need to know more about glossing than that provided in this section. But some, at some point, might face some unusual situation requiring more control over the line spacing than the control which `extraglskip` allows. The next section is for such users only.

### 9.5.3 The technology behind vertical spacing in glosses

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>gllineskip</code> <sup>†</sup>	<code>(!)skip</code>	1 ex
<code>glstruts</code>	boolean	true

Wrapping is carried out by first forming a sequence of boxes, as in (142) and then feeding this sequence to Tex's apparatus for breaking paragraphs into lines and stacking sequences of lines into pages. The baseline of these boxes is the baseline of the top line. As far as Tex is concerned, the sequence of boxes is a sequence of words; a paragraph. We use (138) as an illustration. If struts are inserted before every word of every box, we get (142b), otherwise (142a). Generally, struts are inserted because this gives much better control of the line spacing.

- (142) a. Ti, ma'a'\~nao, hao, kumuentusi, ni, h\`ayiyi, ha'  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp
- b. Ti, ma'a'\~nao, hao, kumuentusi, ni, h\`ayiyi, ha'  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp

The boxes will be called *glwords*.

Suppose we feed (142b), for example, to Tex's page formation machinery. The outcome, will depend on many Tex parameters. Of particular interest for the line spacing are `\baselineskip`

and `\lineskip`. `\lineskiplimit` is set to 0pt in glosses. There are nested environments; one governing stacking words into glwords, the other governing stacking lines of glwords. Call these the interior and exterior environments. If we consider (143), for example, note that the dimension of most interest, the vertical spacing between the *b* and *c* lines is not a distance between baselines in either the interior or exterior environments. When glwords are built, the baseline spacing is between the *a* and *b* lines (the *c-d* spacing is the same). When the glwords are formed into a paragraph, the baseline spacing is between the *a* and *c* lines. Line *a* is the baseline of the top row of glwords and line *c* is the baseline of bottom row.

- (143) *Ti...ma'a'ñao..hao..kumuentusi..... a  
not..agr.afraid..you.Infin.speak.to.... b  
ni..háiyiyi..ha'..... c  
not.anyone.Emp..... d*

A desired value for the *b-c* line spacing must be achieved indirectly.

*ExPex* leaves both the `baselineskip` in the exterior environment the same as it is inside the glwords. This means that the `baselineskip` will have no effect when the paragraph (143a) or (143b) is typeset because the glwords are deeper than the `baselineskip`. *ExPex* adjusts the `\lineskip` in the exterior environment to achieve the desired *b-c* line spacing; that is, to achieve the desired `glskip`.

(144) illustrates the relation between `\lineskip` and the `glskip`, assuming that strut insertion has taken place.



If `autoglskip` is turned on, `\lineskip` is adjusted so that the `glskip` is equal to the `baselineskip` plus the value of `extraglskip`. If `\baselineskip = b`, `\dp\strutbox = d`, `\ht\strutbox = h`, and `extraglskip = e`, then `\lineskip` is set to  $b + e - d - h$ .

If `autoglskip` is turned off, struts are inserted only if `glstruts` is turned on; `\lineskip` is made equal to `gllineskip`. With `glstruts` turned off, the `glskip` will depend on `gllineskip`, the depth of the deepest character on the bottom row of the top line of glwords, and the height of the tallest character on the top row of the bottom line of glwords.

The above will be clearer if you do the following exercise: Calculate the `glskip` in the 3 examples below. The font is 12 pt with struts that are 10 pt high and 4 pt deep. The `baselineskip` is 18 pt. Roman g, y, and p are all 2.60 pt deep; italic h, italic ', and italic i are all 7.96 pt tall; and italic á is 7.93 pt tall.

```
\ex
\begin{gl}[autoglskip=true,
extraglskip=4pt]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
ni h\ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\end{gl}
\xe
```

```
\ex
\begin{gl}[autoglskip=false,
glstruts=true,gllineskip=8pt]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
ni h\ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\end{gl}
\xe
```

```
\ex
\begin{gl}[autoglskip=false,
glstruts=false,gllineskip=8pt]
\gla Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi
ni h\ayiyi ha'./.
\glb not agr.afraid you
Infin.speak.to not anyone Emp// 
\end{gl}
\xe7
```

- (145) *Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi*  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to  
*ni háiyi ha'.*  
not anyone Emp

- (146) *Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi*  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to  
*ni háiyi ha'.*  
not anyone Emp

- (147) *Ti ma'a'\~nao hao kumuentusi*  
not agr.afraid you Infin.speak.to  
*ni háiyi ha'.*  
not anyone Emp

#### 9.5.4 How to avoid overfull boxes in glosses

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>glspage</code>	<code>skip</code>	.5em plus .4em minus .15em
<code>glrightskip</code>	<code>skip</code>	0pt plus .1\hsize

Hopefully, you will never encounter the problem which the parameterization in this section is designed to solve, the “overfull line” error message. The default setting puts .5em of glue between the glwords on a line, plus .4em of stretchability and .15em of shrinkage. The interglword spacing on a line can therefore vary from .35em up to .9em to accommodate the needs of the Tex

<sup>7</sup>Answers: 22pt, 22pt, and 18.56pt.

linebreaking algorithm.<sup>8</sup> Further, the default settings allow up to 10% of the hsize of whitespace to appear at the end of the line of glwords. The possible extra space at the right edge and stretchability/shrinkability of the space between glwords means that line breaking in glosses will rarely encounter problems with overfull lines.

In unusual cases, there may be a problem. Your publisher (or you) may be particularly fussy and demand a particular spacing and/or better right alignment in glosses. Or you might want to make a unusually narrow gloss, which increases the chances that there might not be enough flexibility in the spacing.

If you do run into the problem of overfull lines in a gloss, two parameters allow for a great deal of flexibility; `glspac` and `glrightskip`. `glspac` is an incremental parameter, so you could say, for example, `\lingset{glspac=10pt plus .2em}`, increasing the stretchability of the interglword space by .2em. Or, you might want to increase the stretchability of the rightskip in a particular troublesome gloss to allow more whitespace at the right edge. An acceptable solution will depend on your particular typesetting aesthetics. Solving line breaking problems is often troublesome and requires experimentation.

The Chamorro examples in (136) and (137) are adapted from Sandy Chung's *The Design of Agreement*. See (59a) on page 237, (82a) on page 247, and (59b) on page 97. The Potawatami example (126) is from Halle and Marantz's "Distributed Morphology" article. The German examples in (131) are from an article by Idan Landau. The Kiowa example (135) was contributed by Daniel Harbor.

## 10. More on Glosses

### 10.1. User defined levels

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Macro: `\defineglwlevels`

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`\glb` and `\glc` are given definitions in `expex.tex` by the command `\defineglwlevels{b,c}`. The command also creates the parameters `everyglb`, `everyglc`, `aboveglbskip`, and `aboveglcskip`. `everyglb` and `everyglc` are initialized to empty token lists and `aboveglbskip` and `aboveglcskip` to 0pt. The user may want to use `\defineglwlevels` to create and name new gloss levels.

For example, suppose more suggestive level names are desired.

```
\defineglwlevels{cat,gloss}
\lingset{everyglcat=\footnotesize,aboveglcatskip=-.5ex}
```

---

8. This is a much larger range than is typical in running text, but it is appropriate in glosses, which typically have many large whitespace gaps on one line or the other.

```

\ex
\begin{gl}
\gla k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk //
\glcat Cl V Agr Neg Agr Tns Agr //
\glgloss 2 see 3{\sc acc} {} {2\sc pl} preterit {3\sc pl} //
\glft 'you (pl) didn't see them'//
\end{gl}
\xe

```

produces

(148)	<i>k- wapm -a -s'i -m -wapunin -uk</i>
	Cl V      Agr    Neg    Agr    Tns      Agr
	2    see    3 <sub>ACC</sub> 2 <sub>PL</sub> preterit    3 <sub>PL</sub>
	'you (pl) didn't see them'

Another instance in which the user might want to define a new gloss level or levels is if more than 3 lines of interlinear gloss are needed and the desired flexibility cannot be obtained by repeated use of \glb or \glc.

## 10.2. Positioning the free translation to the right of the interlinear gloss

---

Parameters:

key	value	initial value
glftpos	choice (below or right)	below
sssep	dimension	3em
ssratio	decimal	.6
ssrightskip	skip	0pt plus 2em
glhangstyle	normal, none, or cascade	normal

---

(149)	<i>Homâo sa čô pô tha ñu nao ngă hmua. Ñu</i> EXIST one CLF person old 3s go do field 3s <i>djă gă, ñu djă čong ñu, laih gui</i> hold machete 3s hold hoe 3s and carry.on.back <i>rêo ñu. Todang bboi rôk jolan ñu nao</i> back.basket 3s while at along trail 3s go <i>hma, ñu bbôh sa droi mră dō bboi gah,</i> field 3s see one CLF peacock stay at DRCT <i>a, hruh ñu.</i> – nest 3s
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"There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a peacock beside its nest.'

is achieved by

```

\ex[glftpos=right,glhangstyle=none]
\let\\=\textsc
\begin{gl}
\gla
Hom\^{{a}}o sa \v{c}\^{{o}} p\^{{o}} tha \~{{n}}u nao ng\u{a} hmua. \~{{N}}u
dj\u{a} g\u{a}, \~{{n}}u dj\u{a} \v{c}\u{o}ng \~{{n}}u, laih gui r\^{{e}}o
\~{{n}}u. Todang bboi r\^{{o}}k jolan \~{{n}}u nao hma, \~{{n}}u bb\^{{o}}h sa
droi mr\u{a} d\u{o} bboi gah, a, hruh \~{{n}}u.//
\glb
\{\exist{} one \{\clf{} person old \{\{3s\} go do field \{\{3s\} hold
machete \{\{3s\} hold hoe \{\{3s\} and carry.on.back.back.basket \{\{3s\}
while at along trail \{\{3s\} go field \{\{3s\} see one \{\clf{} peacock
stay at \{\drct{} -- nest \{\{3s\}//
\glft
‘There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took
along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his
basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a
peacock beside its nest.’//
\endgl
\xe

```

(This example, as well as (150), was contributed by Joshua Jensen. It is from Jarai, an Austronesian language. The story teller was Hyech Ksor. The orthography here is somewhat simplified in order to keep the font requirements for the examples in this documentation elementary.)

`ss` stands for “side-by-side”. `sssep` gives the separation of the gloss and the free translation. `ssratio` gives the proportion of the available width that the gloss occupies. The point of hanging indentation is to visually separate the free translation and the gloss, so `glhangstyle=none` is completely satisfactory if the tree translation is on the right. But *ExPex* will happily use hanging indentation with the free translation on the right.

Line breaking in the free translation is delicate because it will generally set in a narrow column. The default setting of `ssrightsip` allows up to 2em departure from right alignment. This usually avoids overfull lines and awkward hyphenation. `ssrightsip` can be increased (all the way to 0pt plus 1fil) if there is a problem, at the cost of a more ragged appearance. This can be done globally, or simply in troublesome examples.

### 10.3. Glosses with a side panel

Macros: `\begin{panel}[], \endpanel`

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>everypanel†</code>	token list	{}

The mechanism for positioning the free translation to the right of the interlinear gloss can be adapted to create a side panel for glosses which can be used for other purposes, as illustrated below.

(150) *Homâo<sup>1</sup> sa čô pô tha ñu nao ngă exist one CLF person old 3s go<sup>2</sup> do hmua. Ñu djă gă, ñu djă čōng field 3s hold machete 3s hold hoe ñu, laih gui rēo ñu. 3s and<sup>3</sup> carry.on.back back.basket 3s Todang bboi rôk jolan ñu nao hma, ñu while at along trail 3s go field 3s bbôh sa droi mră dō<sup>4</sup> bboi gah, a, see one CLF peacock stay at DRCT – hrüh ñu. nest 3s*

1. *homâo* also means ‘have’, reflecting the strong tendency across languages to use the same word for possession and the existential. *homâo* is clause-initial in existential clauses, but it comes after the subject in possession clauses.

2. All verbs are glossed with a bare form, as Jarai has no inflectional morphology. Although Jarai has lexical items that encode tense, they are relatively infrequent in text.

3. The word *laih* is literally ‘after; finish’, but that is clearly not the meaning here. Probably *laih* here is an abbreviation for *laih anūn*, ‘after that; and’, hence the gloss ‘and’.

4. *dō* ‘sit, stay’ is used like a copula in locative clauses, which is what I assume here (‘a peacock [which was] beside its nest’); however, this could just as well mean ‘a peacock sitting beside its nest’, retaining the posture semantics.

‘There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a peacock beside its nest.’

The syntax is:

```
\beginglpanel ... \endgl ... \endpanel
```

The first part is the gloss, with the usual syntax. The second part is put in a vbox and set alongside the gloss. The tokens `lingeverypanel` are inserted when the vbox begins. All of the parameters which are special to positioning the free translation to the right of the gloss apply here as well, with the obvious meanings.

The complete code for the example above is:

```
\ex[everypanel=\footnotesize]<panelex>
\def\\#1{{\footnotesize\uppercase{#1}}}\%
\let\\=\\textsc
\beginglpanel[ssratio=.5,glhangstyle=none]
\gla Hom\^{\{a\}o$^1\$} sa \v{c}\^{\{o\}} p\^{\{o\}} tha \^{\{n\}u} nao ng\u{a} hmua. \^{\{N\}u} dj\u{a} g\u{a}, \^{\{n\}u} dj\u{a} \v{c}\u{o}ng \^{\{n\}u}, laih gui r\^{\{e\}o} \^{\{n\}u}. Todang bboi r\^{\{o\}k} jolan \^{\{n\}u} nao hma, \^{\{n\}u} bb\^{\{o\}h} sa droi mr\u{a} d\u{o}\$,^4\$ bboi gah, a, hrüh \^{\{n\}u}.//\\
\glb \\{exist} one \\{clf} person old \\{3s} go$^2\$ do field \\{3s} hold machete \\{3s} hold hoe \\{3s} and$^3\$ carry.on.back back.basket \\{3s} while at along trail \\{3s} go field \\{3s} see one \\{clf} peacock stay at \\{drct} -- nest \\{3s}//
\endgl
```

1. \enspace {\it hom\^{\{a\}o}} also means ‘have’, reflecting the strong tendency across languages to use the same word for possession and the existential. {\it hom\^{\{a\}o}} is clause-initial

in existential clauses, but it comes after the subject in possession clauses.

2.\enspace All verbs are glossed with a bare form, as Jarai has no inflectional morphology. Although Jarai has lexical items that encode tense, they are relatively infrequent in text.

3.\enspace The word {\it laih} is literally ‘after; finish’, but that is clearly not the meaning here. Probably {\it laih} here is an abbreviation for {\it laih an\u{u}n}, ‘after that; and’, hence the gloss ‘and’.

4.\enspace {\it d\u{o}} ‘sit, stay’ is used like a copula in locative clauses, which is what I assume here (‘a~peacock [which was] beside its nest’); however, this could just as well mean ‘a peacock sitting beside its nest’, retaining the posture semantics.

\endpanel

\bigskip

‘There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a peacock beside its nest.’

\xe

Note that the free translation here comes after \endpanel and is typeset the way any material inside an \ex construction is typeset. This allows it to have full width, spanning both the gloss and notes. It could have been part of the gloss, with a different result.

No support is given to side note numbering. It must be done “by hand”. If the construction turns out to be sufficiently useful and hand numbering is sufficiently tedious, a more automatic scheme might be possible. It would not be trivial, because the order in which the notes appear inside the gloss before it is typeset is not necessarily the same as the order in which they appear after it is typeset.

#### 10.4. Cascading hanging indentation in glosses

- (151) *Homâo sa čô pô tha ñu nao ngă hmua. Ñu djă gă, ñu djă čöng ñu, laih gui rêo ñu. Todang bboi rôk jolan ñu nao hma, ñu bbôh and carry.on.back.back.basket 3s while at along trail 3s go field 3s see sa droi mră dō bboi gah, a, hruh ñu.*  
one CLF peacock stay at DRCT – nest 3s

‘There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a peacock beside its nest.’

is achieved by

```
\ex[glhangstyle=cascade]
\let\\=\textsc
\begingl
\gla
Hom\^{\{a\}}o sa \v{c}\^{\{o\}} p\^{\{o\}} tha \^{\{n\}}u nao ng\u{a} hmua. \^{\{N\}}u
dj\u{a} g\u{a}, \^{\{n\}}u dj\u{a} \v{c}\u{o}ng \^{\{n\}}u, laih gui r\^{\{e\}}o
\^{\{n\}}u. Todang bboi r\^{\{o\}}k jolan \^{\{n\}}u nao hma, \^{\{n\}}u bb\^{\{o\}}h sa
droi mr\u{a} d\u{o} bboi gah, a, hrhu \^{\{n\}}u.//
\glb
\{\exist\} one \{\clf\} person old \{\3s\} go do field \{\3s\} hold
machete \{\3s\} hold hoe \{\3s\} and carry.on.back.back.basket \{\3s\}
while at along trail \{\3s\} go field \{\3s\} see one \{\clf\} peacock
stay at \{\drct\} -- nest \{\3s\}//
\glft
‘There was an old person who went to work in the field. He took
along his machete, he took along his hoe, and he carried his
basket on his back. While he was on his way to the farm, he saw a
peacock beside its nest.’//
\endgl
\xe
```

## 10.5. Gloss underfixes

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Macro: \gluf

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
glufcloseup	dimension	.4ex
everygluf	token list	{}

---

Sometimes, gloss displays like the following are desired, with grammatical markings written below the gloss.

- (152) *Mary<sub>i</sub> ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht stören würde seiner Freundin ihr<sub>i</sub> Herz auszuschütten.*  
Mary is sure that it the Hans not annoy would his girlfriend her heart  
ACC DAT DAT ACC ACC  
out to throw

‘Mary is sure that to reveal her heart to his girlfriend would not damage John.’

*ExPex provides the macro \gluf which can be used to construct such a display.*

```

\ex[glhangstyle=normal,glufcloseup=.4ex,everygluf=\footnotesize]
\begingl
\gla Mary$_i$ ist sicher, dass es den Hans nicht st\"oren
w\"urde seiner Freundin ihr$_i$ Herz auszusch\"utten.//
\glb Mary is sure that it \gluf/the/ACC/ Hans not annoy would
\gluf/his/DAT/ \gluf/girlfriend/DAT/ \gluf/her/ACC/
\gluf/heart/ACC/ {out to throw}//
\glft 'Mary is sure that to reveal her heart to his girlfriend
would not damage John.'//
\endgl
\xe

```

The grammatical markings are essentially “underfixes” (rather than prefixes or suffixes), hence the name “gluf” (gl underfix). When the underfix is typeset, the value of `everygluf` is first inserted. It is provided so that the user has control of the font used to typeset the underfixes. The value of `glufcloseup` determines how much the baselineskip between the underfix and the underfixed word is closed up. Without some closeup, the underfixes are not positioned close enough to the glosses they modify (in my opinion). The macro `\gluf` centers the underfix below the word it annotates. Its syntax should be clear from the example above.

## 11. Referring to examples and labeled parts of examples

### 11.1. Unnamed reference

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Macros: `\lastx`, `\nextx`, `\blastx`, `\anextx`, `\bblastx`

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If `x` is the value of `\excnt`, these macros produce  $x - 1$ ,  $x$ ,  $x - 2$ ,  $x + 1$ ,  $x - 3$ , respectively, expressed as an either an arabic or roman numeral, depending on the setting of `exnotype`. The example number counter is incremented early in the expansion of `\ex` and `\pex`, so if one of these macros is used inside an example, “last example” has the meaning “current example number”. Although `\excnt` is incremented early, it is incremented after local parameters are set. Consequently, if any of these macros is used in setting parameters in the optional argument of `\ex` or `\pex`, it acts as if it were being evaluated just before `\ex` or `\pex`.

It is potentially dangerous to use macros like `\bblastx` or `\anextx` for reference to an example because later additions or deletions in the document can throw off the reference. This kind of misreference is particularly easy to overlook in proofing a document. It is better to assign names to the things you want to refer to and to refer to them by name, particularly in a document that will undergo a lot of rewriting. If reference by name is used and an intervening example is deleted or added, no problem arises. If the example which is referred to is deleted, then Tex will report a missing reference.

## 11.2. Named reference

Macros: `\deftag`, `\deftagex`, `\deftaglabel`, `\deftagpage`, `\getref`, `\getfullref`

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>tag</code>	character string	(none)

The core macros are `\deftag` and `\getref`. `\deftag` takes two (obligatory) arguments. After `\deftag{reference}{tag}` is executed, `\getref{tag}` expands to *reference*, where the value of the reference is determined at the point the `\deftag` command was evaluated. `\deftagex{tag}` expands to `\deftag{\the\exno}{tag}`. `\deftagpage{tag}` expands to `\deftag{\the\pageno}{tag}`, but the expansion is delayed until after Tex's page breaking mechanism has decided what page the `\deftag` command appears on. The tag/page pair which is generated in this case is written to a file only, so `\getref` cannot recover a page number until a tag-ref file is read.

The evaluation of `\deftaglabel{tag}` is more complex. `\pexcnt`, the setting of `label-type`, and the setting of `everylabel` are used to construct the reference (either a letter or a number). The tag which is submitted to `\deftag` is *tag'.tag*, where *tag'* is the example number tag.

The code below produces (153).

```
\pex[interparts skip=0pt]
\a First\deftag{the first part of example \lastx}{FP}
\a Second\deftagex{snoopy}\deftaglabel{dog}
\a Third\deftaglabel{a}
\xe
```

- (153) a. First  
b. Second  
c. Third

Afterwards, assuming that the tag `snoopy` has not been redefined in the interim

<code>\getref{snoopy}</code>	→ 153
<code>\getref{snoopy.dog}</code>	→ b
<code>\getfullref{snoopy.dog}</code>	→ 153b
<code>\getref{snoopy.a}</code>	→ c
<code>\getfullref{snoopy.a}</code>	→ 153c
<code>\getref{dog}</code>	→ <i>undefined tag warning, or spurious reference</i>
<code>\getref{FP}</code>	→ the first part of example 153

`\getref{dog}` will produce a spurious reference if the tag `dog` is defined somewhere else in your document. `\deftaglabel` must know, at the point that it is expanded, what tag has been attached to the example number. If the example number has not been tagged at that point, a warning message is issued.

There are two alternatives to the explicit use of `\deftagex` and `\deftaglabel`. One is the use of the parameter `tag`. After

```
\pex[interparts=0pt,labeltype=alpha,tag=snoopy]  
\a First  
\a[tag=dog] Second  
\a Third\deftaglabel{A}  
\xe
```

`\getref{snoopy}`, `\getref{snoopy.dog}`, and `\getref{snoopy.A}` are interpreted as expected, as are `\getfullref{snoopy.dog}` and `\getfullref{snoopy.A}`.

The other alternative is a special “tagging notation” which, unlike most shortcuts, makes the code easier to read as well. After

```
\pex[interparts=0pt,labeltype=alpha]<snoopy>  
\a First  
\a<dog> Second  
\a[tag=A] Third  
\xe
```

`\getref{snoopy}`, `\getref{snoopy.dog}`, and `\getref{snoopy.A}` are interpreted as expected, as are `\getfullref{snoopy.dog}` and `\getfullref{snoopy.A}`.

If `\getref{sometag}` is evaluated and the tag is undefined, a warning message to this effect is generated and `\bullet{sometag}` is typeset instead of the intended reference.

### 11.3. Proofing references

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Macro: `\refproofing`

---

It is tedious to check that references to example numbers and the like are correct (i.e. refer to what you think they refer to). *ExPex* provides a little help. If you execute `\refproofing`, then all the references that are generated by `\bblastx`, `\blastx`, `\lastx`, `\nextx`, `\anextx`, `\getref`, and `\getfullref` are highlighted. If *PSTricks* is loaded at the point that `\refproofing` is evaluated, the highlighting consists of a box around the reference. If not, the reference is underlined. Highlighting is helpful in copy editing. The difference is illustrated below.

- |                                          |                                                           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| (154) a. Consider (153b), for example.   | default behavior                                          |
| b. Consider [153b], for example.         | <code>\refproofing</code> , <i>PSTricks</i> available     |
| c. Consider <u>(153b)</u> , for example. | <code>\refproofing</code> , <i>PSTricks</i> not available |

## 11.4. The tag/reference file

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Macros: `\gathertags`, `\tagfilesuffix`

---

Forward references require writing tag/reference associations to a file in one run, then reading this file in a second run. Forward reference is only one reason for such a system. If you work on a document in pieces, say one section at a time, and need to refer to things in prior sections, then the tag/reference pairs from previous sections must be stored in a file so that they can be used in the section that you are working on. If you say `\gathertags`, the tag/reference pairs will be written to a file as they are established. If your main file is named *foop.tex*, for example, the default is to write the tag/ref pairs to *foop-tags.tex*. But you can modify this by using the command `\tagfilesuffix`. *expex.tex* contains `\tagfilesuffix{-tags}`, but you can overrule this with `\tagfilesuffix{your suffix}`.

When the first `\getref`, `\getfullref`, or `\gathertags` command is encountered, *ExPex* checks to see if there is a tag file. If the file does exist, it is read and all the tag/reference pairs it encodes are established. No testing is done for conflicting tag/reference pairs with the same tag, so it is the responsibility of the user to see that this does not occur to a bad effect. If the user wants to be absolutely sure that bad references have not accidentally occurred because of using the same tag twice, he/she can look directly at the tag file in a text editor. If the lines are alphabetized, it is relatively easy to find tags for which multiple references have been established. If you are a careful copy editor, this may be worth doing in a complex project (a book length manuscript) during final copy editing. Of course, the printed final manuscript should be checked in any event to make sure that the references refer to what you want them to refer to.

For what it is worth, my own style of work is to break up projects into multiple pieces and have a main file which calls the various pieces. Then I simply comment out the calls to pieces that I am not working on. From time to time I will run the main file calling on all the various pieces, invoking `\gathertags`. Then I comment out `\gathertags`. The tag-ref file which is created then remains intact until `\gathertags` is invoked at some future time. All of the tag/reference pairs it encodes are available in subsequent work until a new tags file is created.

## 11.5. References to references, references as values

---

Macro: `\lastlabel`

---

If, for some reason, you want to refer to a specific part of a multipart example without tagging the example number, it can be done as follows, assuming that the part labels are alphabetical.

```
\pex[everylabel=\it]
\a First Example.
\a Second Example.\deftag{\lastx\lastlabel}{snoopy}
\a Third Example.
\xe
```

- (155) a. First Example.  
 b. Second Example.  
 c. Third Example.

You can then use `\getref{snoopy}` to retrieve 155b. `\lastlabel` expands to the most recent label, in the form in which it is printed (i.e. containing the expansion of `\everylabel`). If the part labels are numerical, then `\deftag{\lastx.\lastlabel}` is required.

You can also say:

```
\ex[exno=\getref{snoopy}] Second example.\xe
```

- (155b) Second example.

Or you can say:

```
\ex[exno={\getref{snoopy}, repeated}, exnoformat={[X]}]
Second example.\xe
```

- [155b, repeated] Second example.

Braces must hide the comma in the value which sets the key.

If you say

```
\pex[labeltype=numeric]<dog>
\a First Example.
\a<G> Second Example.
\a Third Example.
\xe
```

- (156) 1. First Example.  
 2. Second Example.  
 3. Third Example.

then, if you want to repeat (156.2) at some point, you can use:

```
\ex[exno=\getfullref{dog.G}] Second example\xe
```

- (156.2) Second example

## 11.6. Extensions of the tag/reference mechanism

The tag/reference mechanism can easily be extended to reference to chapters, sections, and subsections. Suppose, for example, that there are counters for the chapter number, section number, subsection number, and subsubsection number. One might define:

```
\def\currsec{\the\chapterno  
  \ifnum\secno>0 .\the\secno  
  \ifnum\subsecno>0 .\the\subsecno  
  \ifnum\subsubsecno>0 .\the\subsubsecno \fi\fi\fi}  
\def\deftagsec#1{\deftag\currsec{#1}}
```

This assumes that there are counters `\chapterno`, `\secno`, `\subsecno`, and `\subsubsecno` and that when a chapter is initiated, `\secno` is set to 0, when a section is initiated, `\subsecno` is set to 0, and that when a subsection is initiated, `\subsubsecno` is set to 0. (Lines 1–5, commented out, are included at the end of `expe.tex` for the user to use, modify, or ignore.)

## 11.7. The parameter `fullreformat`

---

Parameter:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>fullreformat</code>	<code>... X ... A ...</code>	<code>XA</code>

---

1. `labelformat` (see page 18) determines how the labels are formatted. Generally they are followed by a period, but this parameter allows other possibilities.
2. `fullreformat` determines how references retrieved by `\getfullref` are formatted. Generally, example numbers and labels are concatenated if the labels are characters and separated by a period if the labels are numbers. This parameter allows other possibilities. The format specification is primitive. The value of `fullreformat` is analyzed as `#1X#2A#3`, with `X` preceding `A`. Then the full reference is found by substituting the example number for `X` and the part label for `A`.

Consider the artificial example below, with unusual formatting for illustrative purposes.

```
\pex[labeltype=numeric,labelformat={[A]},  
      fullreformat=X-A,samplelabel={[1]}]<K>  
\a first  
\a<A> second  
\xe
```

(157)	[1]	first
	[2]	second

`\getref{K.A}` produces 2 and `\getfullref{K.A}` produces 157-2.

## 11.8. Reference to a part of a multipart example

Suppose there is a multipart example which you want to partially repeat at a later point, giving only some of the parts. There are many opportunities to make a mistake. The reference to the example number may be wrong, the references to the part labels may be wrong, or a particular part may not be repeated the way it originally appeared. Here is one way to (partially) automate the references to avoid most of the possible reference errors.

```
\deftag{Someone loves everyone.}{1st}
\deftag{Everyone loves someone.}{2nd}
```

```
\pex<A>
\a \dots
\a<X> \getref{1st}
\a \dots
\a<Z> \getref{2nd}
\xe
```

```
\ex An intervening example.\xe
```

The two crucial examples in  
(\getref{A}) are repeated below:

```
\pex[exno=\getref{A}]
\a[label=\getref{A.X}] \getref{1st}
\a[label=\getref{A.Z}] \getref{2nd}
\xe
```

```
\ex Numbering resumes.\xe
```

**Important limitation:** Inside an example that sets `exno` to a nonempty value, the use of `\deftaglabel` or `\deftagex`, or their implicit versions using the `<...>` notation, or `\label`, will result in an error or (more dangerously) an unexpected outcome. This is a minor limitation because there should be no need to tag items which themselves are referenced by tags. It is important only because violating it can generate Tex errors.

- (158) a. ...
 b. Someone loves everyone.
 c. ...
 d. Everyone loves someone.

- (159) An intervening example.

The two crucial examples in (158) are repeated below:

- (158) b. Someone loves everyone.
 d. Everyone loves someone.
- (160) Numbering resumes.

## 11.9. Support for the LaTex \label and \ref commands

LaTex users, if so inclined, may wish to use the LaTex \label-\ref mechanism to tag example numbers and example part labels.

Assuming that LaTex is in use,

```
\pex \label{A}  
\a Tom\label{B}  
\a Dick\label{C}  
\a Harry\label{D}, etc.  
\xe  
  
\ex~ Intervening example.\xe  
  
\noindent Consider example (\ref{A}).  
Tom is in example (\ref{B}), Dick is  
in example (\ref{C}), and Harry is in  
example (\ref{D}).
```

- (161) a. Tom  
b. Dick  
c. Harry, etc.

- (162) Intervening example

Consider example (161). Tom is in example (161a), Dick is in example (161b), and Harry is in example (161c).

There are important differences between the LaTex mechanism and the \deftag-\getref mechanism.

1. \ref{tag} cannot be used as a special example number, nor can it be given as an optional argument to \a.
2. The \label name space is flat. No distinction is made between names of examples and names of parts of examples. This makes it much harder to remember and manage the names, at least for me.
3. LaTex provides no control over the generation of the file containing the tag-reference pairs. One cannot work on Chapter 5 (for example) and have all the tag-reference information for the earlier chapters available without actually submitting all of the Chapters 1 to 4 to LaTex while you are working on Chapter 5.

## 12. Tables in examples

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Macro: \hwit

---

Most of the difficulty of formatting example displays which contain tables comes from formatting the table itself. This manual will not teach the reader how to use Tex to format tables. It will be assumed that the reader knows how to use the Tex primitive \halign or the LaTex macros based on \halign. But this section might contribute something to understanding how to use the table making tools in linguistics examples.

Many tabular examples have the form

```
\ex \vtop{\halign{ ... }}\xe
```

For example:

(163)	baudh	bu-baudh	know, wake
	smai	si-smai	smile
	suap	su-suap	sleep
	miaks	mi-miaks	glitter
	auc	u-auc	please

```
\ex \vtop{\halign{%
#&\hfil&& \qquad #&\hfil\cr
baudh& bu-baudh& know, wake\cr
smai& si-smai& smile\cr
suap& su-suap& sleep\cr
miaks& mi-miaks& glitter\cr
auc& u-auc& please\cr
}}\xe
```

A more elaborate version of (163), with a title and labeled columns, is given below. \hwit is described below.

- (164) The perfect stems of some roots with a high vowel in their nucleus

<i>root</i>	<i>perfect stem</i>	<i>gloss</i>
baudh	bu-baudh	'know, wake'
smai	si-smai	'smile'
suap	su-suap	'sleep'
miaks	mi-miaks	'glitter'
auc	u-auc	'please'

```
\ex The perfect stems of some roots with a
high vowel in their nucleus\par\nobreak\medskip
\quad\vbox{\halign{%
#&\hfil&& \hskip3em #&\hfil\cr
\hfil\hwit{root}& \hfil\hwit{perfect stem}&
\hfil\hwit{gloss}\cr
\noalign{\smallskip}
baudh& bu-baudh& 'know, wake'\cr
smai& si-smai& 'smile'\cr
suap& su-suap& 'sleep'\cr
miaks& mi-miaks& 'glitter'\cr
auc& u-auc& 'please'\cr
}}\xe
```

\hwit (hidewidth italics) inserts the italicized label into the alignment in such a way that it is centered over the nonwhite portion of the column it heads. It hangs over equally on both sides if

necessary. Hiding the width of column labels is often important so that the column labels do not affect the column widths.

\par\nobreak appears after the title so that page breaking does not detach the title from the table that follows.

### 12.1. Tables with labeled lines

---

Macros: \labels[], \t1, \nl

---

If reference must be made to particular lines in (164), the lines need labels of some sort. One approach is to explicitly enter the line labels a–e:

(165) The perfect stems of some roots with a high vowel in their nucleus

	<i>root</i>	<i>perfect stem</i>	<i>gloss</i>
a.	baudh	bu-baudh	'know, wake'
b.	smai	si-smai	'smile'
c.	suap	su-suap	'sleep'
d.	miaks	mi-miaks	'glitter'
e.	auc	u-auc	'please'

```
\ex The perfect stems of some roots with a
high vowel in their nucleus\par\nobreak\medskip
\quad\vbox{\halign{%
#\hfil& \quad #\hfil&& \hskip3em #\hfil\cr
& \hfil\hfil{\root}& \hfil\hfil{\perfect stem}&
\hfil\hfil{\gloss}\cr
\noalign{\smallskip}
a.& baudh& bu-baudh& 'know, wake'\cr
b.& smai& si-smai& 'smile'\cr
c.& suap& su-suap& 'sleep'\cr
d.& miaks& mi-miaks& 'glitter'\cr
e.& auc& u-auc& 'please'\cr
}}\xe
```

If a line is deleted or added, or if lines are interchanged for some reason, considerable relabeling may be required.

*ExPex* provides some macros which simplify this code and make it easier to manipulate. They are used in the alternate code for (165) below and described below. \labels initializes the counter \pexcnt, which is then used to generate the labels. It also activates the macros \t1 (table label) and \nl (no label). \t1 inserts the appropriate label, with following period, and increments the counter. \nl abbreviates \omit\hfil, so that it can be used to prevent the appearance of a label in a cell. \labels takes parameters, so you can say things like \labels[labeltype=caps, everylabel=\it]. Of course, these parameters can also be set at the \ex level, if desired, or even globally.

```

\ex The perfect stems of some roots with a
high vowel in their nucleus\par\nobreak\medskip
\quad\vbox{\labels\halign{%
\tl #\hfil&#\hfil& \quad#\hfil&& \hskip3em#\hfil\cr
\nl & \hfil\hwit{root}& \hfil\hwit{perfect stem}&
\hfil\hwit{gloss}\cr
\noalign{\smallskip}
& baudh& bu-baudh& ‘know, wake’\cr
& smai& si-smai& ‘smile’\cr
& suap& su-suap& ‘sleep’\cr
& miaks& mi-miaks& ‘glitter’\cr
& auc& u-auc& ‘please’\cr
}}\xe

```

The advantages of implicit line label insertion should be obvious. One often decides to insert another entry, or to delete an entry. If the labels are inserted explicitly, this usually requires changing multiple labels. If the table has many lines, this is particularly onerous. References in the text to particular lines also need to changed to match the new labeling. We will see below that lines in tables can be named and reference made by name, using implicit line numbering.

## 12.2. Tagging implicit labels in tables

\deftaglabel can be used to associate a tag with a label that is introduced into a table by \tl (“table label”). \tl can also read an optional tag using the <...> mechanism.

```

\ex<Washo>
\vtop{\labels\halign{\tl #\hfil&& \quad#\hfil\cr
\nl & \hwit{Root}& \hwit{Plural}& \hwit{Gloss}\cr
& baloxat& baloxaxat& bows\cr
& moyaya& moyaya& shoulder\cr
<A>& nent’us& net’unt’us& old women\cr
<B>& mokgo& mogokgo& shoes\cr
}}
\xe

```

Examples (\getfullref{Washo.A}) and (\getfullref{Washo.B}) are the most complex, and therefore the most revealing. Examples (\getref{Washo}\getref{Washo.A},\getref{Washo.B}) are the most complex, and therefore the most revealing.

	<i>Root</i>	<i>Plural</i>	<i>Gloss</i>
a.	baloxat	baloxaxat	bows
b.	moya	moyaya	shoulder
c.	nent’us	net’unt’us	old women
d.	mokgo	mogokgo	shoes

Examples (166c) and (166d) are the most complex, and therefore the most revealing. Examples (166c,d) are the most complex, and therefore the most revealing.

### 12.3. Some useful table making tools

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Macro: `\ttspace[], \crs`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>dima<sup>†</sup></code>	dimension	2.4em
<code>dimb<sup>†</sup></code>	dimension	(not set)
<code>dimc<sup>†</sup></code>	dimension	(not set)
<code>crskip</code>	skip	1.2ex

---

Tables often need considerable adjustment in order to balance the needs of readability, space limitations, and matching the typographic structure to the conceptual structure. Sometimes this requires a delicate balancing act. *ExPex* provides three parameters (scratch dimensions) `dima`, `dimb`, and `dimc`, and corresponding macros which expand to their settings, which can be used for this. Additionally, `\ttspace[key]` expands to `\hskip\ling{tag}`, so that horizontal skip like `\ttspace[dima]` or `\ttspace[textoffset]` can be easily used in table construction. The code for (166) could be written:

```
\ex[textoffset=1em, dima=1em, dimb=3em]
The perfect stems of some roots with a high vowel in their
nucleus\par\nobreak\medskip
\ttspace[dima]\vbox{\labels\halign{%
\tl #\hfil& \ttspace[textoffset]#\hfil&& \ttspace[dimb]#\hfil\cr
\nl & \hfil\hwit{root}& \hfil\hwit{perfect stem}&
\hfil\hwit{gloss}\cr
:}}
```

Localizing all the parameters which might need adjustment in the optional argument of `\ex` helps organize the adjustment process.

If no optional argument is supplied to `\ttspace`, it expands to `\hskip\ling{dima}`.

The macro `\crs` and command key `crskip` are provided to assist in fine tuning the vertical spacing inside an alignment. `\ling@crskip` expands to the setting of `crskip`, and

```
\crs → \cr \noalign{\vskip\ling@crskip}
```

## 12.4. Tables that can break between pages

---

Macros: `\exdisplay[]`, `\noexno`, `\exnoprint`, `\crnb`

---

Up to this point, only tables that are typeset in a vbox have been considered. The *Tex* page breaking algorithm does not split a box between pages. Sometimes, an especially tall table is needed and one has the choice of floating the table to the top of the next page (using *Tex*'s `\topinsert`) or constructing a breakable table. The latter choice is often preferable and can be implemented using *Tex*'s primitive `\halign`.

The example number must be part of the `\halign`, not inserted by `\ex`. `\exdisplay` is designed to accommodate an unboxed `\halign`. Like `\ex`, `\exdisplay` must be closed by `\xe`. `\exdisplay ... \xe` is just like `\ex ... \xe` except that an example number is not printed and the horizontal dimensions `\numoffset` and `\textoffset` are irrelevant. `aboveexskip` and `belowexskip` play the same role, paragraph indentation is cancelled, `\lingeveryex` and `\lingEveryex` are executed, and `\excnt` is advanced.

`\noexno` is provided in case the user wants to use `\exdisplay` for something other than a numbered example. It cancels the automatic advancement of `\excnt`. You can say `\exdisplay\noexno` or `\exdisplay[ ... ]\noexno` to cancel `\excnt` advancement.

Now consider the ‘tall display’ (167). It is sufficiently tall that it either must be put in an insertion or typeset so that it can be split by a page break.

(167) High vowel in the nucleus of the root

	<i>root</i>	<i>perfect stem</i>	<i>gloss</i>
a.	baudh	<b>bu</b> -baudh	‘know, wake’
b.	stau	<b>tu</b> -stau	‘praise’
c.	smai	<b>si</b> -smai	‘smile’
d.	suap	<b>su</b> -suap	‘sleep’
e.	miaks	<b>mi</b> -miaks	‘glitter’
f.	auc	<b>u</b> -auc	‘please’

No high vowel in the nucleus of the root

g.	suaj	<b>sa</b> -suaj	‘embrace’
h.	krand	<b>ka</b> -krand	‘cry out’
i.	skand	<b>ka</b> -skand	‘leap’
j.	mard	<b>ma</b> -mard	‘rub, crush’
k.	mnaa	<b>ma</b> -mnaa	‘note’

The example number in the code below is inserted by `\exnoprint`, which is how `\ex` inserts example numbers. If, by the way, you don’t like the way example numbers are inserted (surrounded by parentheses), you can redefine `\exnoprint`. The code uses `\crnb`, which expands to `\cr\noalign{\par\nobreak}`, to prevent a page break between a heading and the remainder of the table which follows. Page breaks are encouraged by `\exbreak` at a few points where it is judged that the logic of the table can tolerate it. `\exbreak` encourages a page break at the cost of

allowing a certain amount of white space at the bottom of the broken page.<sup>9</sup> A negative horizontal skip \ttspace[dimc] is used to highlight the subheadings (and to show the reader that it is a possibility, if you need it).

```
\exdisplay[labeloffset=2em,dima=2em,dimb=1em,dimc=-.8em]
\def\#1-{\{\bf #1\}-\}
\labels
\openup1pt
\halign{%
  #\ttspace[labeloffset]\hfil& % example number
  #\tl\ttspace[textoffset]\hfil& % line label
  #\ttspace \hfil& % root
  #\ttspace \hfil& % perfect stem
  '#'\hfil\cr % gloss
(\the\excnt)& \omit\ttspace[dimc] High vowel in the nucleus of the
  root\hidewidth\crnb
& \nl & \hwit{root}& \hwit{perfect stem}&
  \omit\ttspace\hwit{gloss}\crnb
&& baudh& \bu-baudh& know, wake\cr
&& stau& \tu-stau& praise\cr
&& smai& \si-smai& smile\cr
\noalign{\exbreak}
&& suap& \su-suap& sleep\cr
&& miaks& \mi-miaks& glitter\cr
&& auc& \u-auc& please\cr
\noalign{\exbreak\smallskip}
& \omit\ttspace[dimc] No high vowel in the nucleus of the
  root\hidewidth\crnb
&& suaj& \sa-suaj& embrace\cr
&& krand& \ka-krand& cry out\cr
\noalign{\exbreak}
&& skand& \ka-skand& leap\cr
&& mard& \ma-mard& rub, crush\cr
&& mnaa& \ma-mnaa& note\cr
}\xe
```

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9. See page 69 for a more complete discussion of \exbreak. The amount of encouragement and the amount of whitespace are parametrized.

## 12.5. Squeezing tables into tight places

Foregoing \ex and directly using \halign inside \exdisplay ... \xe has other uses besides constructing tables in numbered examples which can be broken between pages. The technique is also sometimes useful in fitting a table in a numbered example into a narrow page width. The table below was constructed to fit on a page of width 4.3 in, with no room to spare. It gives the present indicative conjunction of the Sanskrit verb root *dves/dviṣ* ‘hate’.

(168) <i>Present Indicative</i>						
	<i>active</i>	<i>middle</i>				
	<i>sg</i>	<i>du</i>	<i>pl</i>	<i>sg</i>	<i>du</i>	<i>pl</i>
1	<b>dvēṣ</b> -mi	dviṣ-vás	dviṣ-más	dviṣ-é	dviṣ-váhe	dviṣ-máhe
2	<b>dvék</b> -si	dviṣ-thás	dviṣ-thá	dviṣ-é	dviṣ-áthe	dviṣ-dhvé
3	<b>dvēṣ</b> -ti	dviṣ-tás	dviṣ-ánti	dviṣ-té	dviṣ-áte	dviṣ-áte

Assuming that the page width has been set to 4.3 in (\hsize=4.3in), the following code produces (168), which is precisely 4.3 in wide.

```
\exdisplay[dima=.5em,dimb=.4em,textoffset=.5em]
\def\$1{\acute{#1}}%
\tabskip=0pt
\openup.4ex
\halign to \hsize{\tsspace[dima]\#\tsspace[textoffset]\hfil&
  #\hfil\tabskip=0pt plus 1fil&
  #\hfil& #\hfil\#\tsspace[dimb]\#\hfil&
  #\hfil & #\hfil\tabskip=0pt\cr
\omit\exnprint\hidewidth&
  \multispan6 \hwit{Present Indicative}\crnb
&\multispan3 \hwit{active}& \multispan3 \hwit{middle}\cr
& \hwit{sg}& \hwit{du}& \hwit{pl}&
  \hwit{sg}& \hwit{du}& \hwit{pl}\cr
\it 1& {\bf dv} \'.s}-mi& dvi\'.s-v\'.as& dvi\'.s-m\'.as&
  dvi\'.s-\'.e& dvi\'.s-v\'.ahe& dvi\'.s-m\'.ahe\cr
\it 2& {\bf dv} \'.ek}-\'.si& dvi\'.s-\'.th\'.as& dvi\'.s-\'.th\'.a&
  dvi\'.s-\'.e& dvi\'.s-\'.athe& dvi\'.d-\'.dhv\'.e\cr
\it 3& {\bf dv} \'.s}-\'.ti& dvi\'.s-\'.t\'.as& dvi\'.s-\'.anti&
  dvi\'.s-\'.t\'.e& dvi\'.s-\'.ate& dvi\'.s-\'.ate\cr
}
\xe
```

## 13. ExPex and PStricks

Macro: \Lingset

Several features of *ExPex*, listed in (169), come into play only if *pstricks.tex* has been loaded at the point that *expex.tex* is loaded. They are intended to make it easier to use *PSTricks* in examples.

- (169) 1. \Lingset is activated. It works like \lingset, but if there are parameters which are not in the family *ling*, they are passed to \psset.  
2. The family *ling* is added to the set of parameter families which \psset can set.  
3. The optional argument of \ex, \pex, and \exdisplay is passed to \Lingset.

\Lingset first scans its argument from left to right and sets all the parameters from the family *ling*. The remaining keys are then passed to \psset. If *PSTricks* has not been loaded, \Lingset is defined, but its meaning is the meaning of \lingset.

This is illustrated by (170).

- (170) Whom did John persuade t [ PRO to visit whom ]



(The example is from Juan Uriagereka, in *The Role of Economy Principles in Linguistic Theory*.)

In the code below, note that the optional argument of \ex is used to set the *PSTricks* parameters angle, arrows, nodesep, labelsep, and linearc, and the *ExPex* parameter dima. Note also that the *ExPex* scratch dimension \lingdima is used seamlessly by the *PST-Node* macros.

```
1 \ex[angle=-90,nodesep=0pt,arrows=>,dima=.2em, labelsep=.25ex,
2     linearc=.7ex]
3 \def\#1(#2){\rnode{#2}{\strut #1}}%
4 %
5 \vrule height0pt depth5.3ex width0pt
6 \\\Whom(A) did John persuade \\t(B) [ PRO to visit \\whom(C) ]
7 \ncbar[armA=3.5ex,offsetB=\lingdima]{B}{A}
8 \bput{0}{$M_{sp}=2$}
9 \ncbar[armA=4.5ex,offsetB=-\lingdima]{C}{A}
10 \bput{0}(1.2){$M_{sp}=6$}
11 \xe
```

Since the connections which *PSTricks* draws are dimensionless, a zero width \vrule is used to give correct spacing. (The width can first be made nonzero so it is visible, and the depth adjusted.)

The following gives the same result.

```

1 \ex
2 \psset{angle=-90,nodesep=0pt,arrows=>,dima=.2em,labelsep=.25ex,
3      linearc=.7ex}
4 :

```

\Lingset and \psset are not entirely equivalent, even when *PSTricks* is active. If a key name in the family *ling* is the same as a key name in another family which has also been added as part of the *PSTricks* extended family, \Lingset will treat it unambiguously as in the *ling* family. \psset, on the other hand, does not give priority to keys in the *ling* family. Exactly how \psset establishes priority is a complex matter, depending on the history of the formation of the *PSTricks* extended family.

## 14. Control over page breaking inside examples

Page breaking is generally much more disruptive if it occurs inside an example than if it occurs in a paragraph of text. Steps can be taken to minimize the possibility that examples are disrupted by page breaks. Avoiding disruption can mean either that a page break does not occur, or if it does, it happens at a “good place”. If the parts of a multi-part example naturally form subgroups, it is desirable to encourage a break between subgroups and discourage a break inside a subgroup.

*ExPex* attempts to provide tools to help avoid breaking examples between pages and, if they must be split, making it easy to specify where in the example splitting should be encouraged or discouraged. This must be balanced with limitations on how much white space at the bottom of pages is allowable.

The amount of whitespace at the bottom of pages and how much variability in the vertical skip between examples and the surrounding text is acceptable will probably vary between different intended purposes: handout, draft, paper, camera-ready paper, lecture notes, camera-ready book manuscript, etc. It will also vary between different stages of production. Different editors may have different views of the tradeoff between keeping examples intact and allowing whitespace at the bottom of pages. There is no sense in spending time on formatting while you are still working on a draft. *ExPex* therefore provides a number of parameters which can be adjusted to control various aspects of page breaking.

In spite of efforts to guide *Tex* in making good decisions about page breaking, the results are not always satisfactory.

Every once and a while, *T<sub>E</sub>X* will produce a really awful looking page and you will wonder what happened. For example, you might get just one paragraph and a whole lot of white space, when some of the text on the following page would easily fit into the white space. The reason for such apparently anomalous behavior is almost always that no good page break is possible; even the alternative that looks better to you is quite terrible as far as *T<sub>E</sub>X* is concerned!

(from Knuth’s *T<sub>E</sub>Xbook*, p. 115)

In situations like this, one has to give up on encouraging *Tex* to do the right thing and give explicit orders to break the page by inserting \eject or \vfil\eject in the appropriate place. The drawback to an explicit order is that it remains in force after revisions are made to the document. If it causes page breaking that is obviously bad, the problem will usually be seen when editing. The biggest danger is that the output is not terrible, but it is less than ideal and the discrepancy is missed in less than meticulous copy editing.

## 14.1. Discouraging page breaks in examples

---

Macro: `\exbreak`

Parameters:

<i>key</i>	<i>value</i>	<i>initial value</i>
<code>exbreakfil</code>	<code>skip</code>	<code>0pt plus 4ex</code>
<code>exbreakpenalty</code>	<code>integer</code>	<code>-500</code>
<code>splitpartspenalty</code>	<code>integer</code>	<code>200</code>

---

Tex carries out page breaking by assigning a cost (via penalties) to each possible page break and choosing the lowest cost option. Plain Tex defines a macro `\goodbreak` which ends the current paragraph and gives a negative penalty (`-500`) if a page break is taken after the paragraph. A negative penalty is a reward, which encourages page breaking at that point. The *ExPex* macro `\exbreak` is a variant of `\goodbreak`. It not only ends the current paragraph and awards a penalty (a reward if the penalty is negative) if a page break is taken at that point, but makes it easier for a satisfactory page break to be taken by allowing the page to end with some vertical fill, allowing some whitespace to appear at the bottom of the broken page.

`\exbreak` is inserted at the beginning of every `\ex` or `\pex` block. The penalty and amount of fill are parameterized. The default values are suitable for camera-ready copy, assuming that the publisher is willing to tolerate a small amount of whitespace at the bottom of a page in return for keeping an example intact. `4 ex` is about 1.5 times the distance between baselines in most fonts. For drafts, I set `exbreakfil=.3\vsizex`, which keeps almost all examples intact at the cost of allowing substantial whitespace to appear at the bottom of a page.

The setting of `exbreakfil` can be overridden by supplying a value directly as an optional argument of `\exbreak`. For example, `\exbreak[5ex]` acts like `\exbreak` (with no argument) with `exbreakfil` is set to `5ex`.

Page breaks right before an example part in a `\pex` construction introduced by `\a` are discouraged by imposing a penalty determined by the setting of `splitpartspenalty`. If `splitpartspenalty` is set to `10000`, such breaks will be completely disallowed. I use this setting for writing drafts. Coupled with a generous setting of `exbreakfil`, almost all page breaks in examples are eliminated, which is what I prefer in writing a draft. The default value is more suitable for finished documents.

In older versions of *ExPex*, `\exbreak` was called `\goodpar`. The present name is more consistent with Tex's naming habits.

## 14.2. Controlling where page breaks occur in examples (if they must)

If a page break within an example cannot be avoided because it would require too much vertical fill to be inserted, it is often important to control where within the example the page break is made. Consider for example a display like (171).

- (171) a. example A  
b. contrast with example A  
c. example B  
d. variation on B  
e. another variation on B  
f. a third variation on B  
g. example C  
h. contrast with example C

Suppose the logic of the examples pairs a and b, c–f, and g and h. How do you avoid a page break which interrupts the logic of the collection of examples? One option is the standard *Tex* method of using \nobreak to prevent a page break, as in the code below:

```
\pex[interparts skip=.25ex]
\a example A\par\nobreak
\a contrast with example A
\a example B\par\nobreak
\a variation on B\par\nobreak
\a another variation on B\par\nobreak
\a a third variation on B
\a example C\par\nobreak
\a contrast with example C
\xe
```

Note that \par must precede \nobreak. We are interested in preventing a page break in the process of adding lines to the current page, not in preventing a break in the process of building the lines which are added to the current page. \par breaks the line, which takes *Tex* out of line building mode and puts it into page building mode.

\exbreak offers an alternative.

```
\pex[interparts skip=.25ex]
\a example A
\a contrast with example A\exbreak
\a example B
\a variation on B
\a another variation on B
\a a third variation on B\exbreak
\a example C
\a contrast with example C
\xe
```

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