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## Enum Tense

* java.lang.Object
  + java.lang.Enum<[Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html)>
    - simplenlg.features.Tense

All Implemented Interfaces: java.io.Serializable, java.lang.Comparable<[Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html)>

* public enum Tense  
  extends java.lang.Enum<[Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html)>  
  An enumeration representing the different types of temporal sense that can be applied to a verb. The tense is recorded in the Feature.TENSE feature and applies to verbs and their associated phrases.Version: 4.0 Author: A. Gatt and D. Westwater, University of Aberdeen.

### Enum Constant SummaryEnum Constants

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| * + Enum Constant and Description |
| * + [**FUTURE**](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html#FUTURE) The action described by the verb will happen in the future. |
| * + [**PAST**](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html#PAST) The action described by the verb happened in the past. |
| * + [**PRESENT**](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html#PRESENT) The action described by the verb is happening in the present time. |

### Method SummaryMethods

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| * + Modifier and Type | * + Method and Description |
| * + static [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html) | * + [**valueOf**](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html#valueOf(java.lang.String))(java.lang.String name) Returns the enum constant of this type with the specified name. |
| * + static [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html)[] | * + [**values**](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html#values())() Returns an array containing the constants of this enum type, in the order they are declared. |

### Methods inherited from class java.lang.EnumcompareTo, equals, getDeclaringClass, hashCode, name, ordinal, toString, valueOf

### Methods inherited from class java.lang.ObjectgetClass, notify, notifyAll, wait, wait, wait

### Enum Constant Detail

#### FUTURE public static final [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html) FUTURE The action described by the verb will happen in the future. For example, *John will kiss Mary*, *the dog will eat a bone*.

#### PAST public static final [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html) PAST The action described by the verb happened in the past. For example, *John kissed Mary*, *the dog ate a bone*.

#### PRESENT public static final [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html) PRESENT The action described by the verb is happening in the present time. For example, *John kisses Mary*, *the dog eats a bone*.

### Method Detail

#### values public static [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html)[] values() Returns an array containing the constants of this enum type, in the order they are declared. This method may be used to iterate over the constants as follows: for (Tense c : Tense.values())   System.out.println(c); Returns:an array containing the constants of this enum type, in the order they are declared

#### valueOf public static [Tense](http://docs.google.com/simplenlg/features/Tense.html) valueOf(java.lang.String name) Returns the enum constant of this type with the specified name. The string must match *exactly* an identifier used to declare an enum constant in this type. (Extraneous whitespace characters are not permitted.)Parameters:name - the name of the enum constant to be returned. Returns:the enum constant with the specified name Throws: java.lang.IllegalArgumentException - if this enum type has no constant with the specified name java.lang.NullPointerException - if the argument is null

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