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token. A *token* is either a single character tagged with a category code, or a control sequence. T_EX reads characters from a file using its eyes (see “anatomy of T_EX”, p. ‘\anatomy’) and groups the characters into tokens using its mouth. When a token reaches T_EX’s stomach, T_EX interprets it as a command unless it’s part of an argument of a preceding command.