The nomentbl package*

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1 Introduction

Often it is desirable to include the units of nomenclature in a tabular environment. Nomentbl is a customization of the nomencl package that presents the nomenclature in a table of the longtable-type.

With the most recent update¹ to the nomencl package to version 4.2, the nomentbl package version 0.3 is not compatible with the \makenomenclature and \printnomenclature commands. This document describes version 0.4 of the nomentbl package. It is compatible with the most recent nomencl version.

This document gives a very limited yet sufficient introduction to the use of longtable together with the nomencl package for writing nomenclatures.

2 Prerequisite

The nomental package requires both nomencl and longtable to be present on your system.

3 Usage

- Install nomentbl.sty where latex can find it, and nomentbl.ist where MakeIndex can find that.
- Put \usepackage[<options>] {nomentbl} in the preamble of the document. For further information on <options> see the nomencl user guide.
- Put \makenomenclature in the preamble of the document.
- Put \printnomenclature where the nomenclature section/chapter is desired.

^{*}This document corresponds to nomental v0.4, dated 2006/04/14.

¹September 22, 2005.

- Issue the \nomenclature command for each symbol desired to be in the nomenclature list (see Section 5).
- Run LATEX. This generates the nomenclature input file <filename>.nlo.
- Run MakeIndex with

makeindex -s nomentbl.ist -o <filename>.nls <filename>.nlo

• Run LATEX again.

4 Examples

An equation is needed for the current setup:

$$\mathbf{J}_i \cdot \Delta \underline{x}_{i+1} = -\underline{f}_i \tag{1}$$

The nomenclature is a result of the following:

\nomenclature[AJ]{\$J\$}{Jacobian Matrix}{}{}%
\nomenclature[Zi]{\$i\$}{Variable number}{}{}%
\nomenclature[Ax]{\$\Delta x\$}{Variable displacement vector}{}{}%
\nomenclature[Af]{\$f\$}{Residual value vector}{}{}%
\nomenclature[Ax]{\$x\$}{Variable value vector}{}{}%

Some symbols with units:

$$F = m\alpha \tag{2}$$

 $\label{lem:lam_am} $$ \operatorname{ML/T^2^2}% \\ \operatorname{Am}_{sm}_{mass}_{kg}_M^* \\ \operatorname{Ga}_{s^2}_{acceleration}_{m/s^2}_{L/T^2}^* $$$

The nomenclature is typeset in a section* by using the \printnomenclature command. In this example it gives the following result nomenclature.

Nomenclature

Latin Letters

F	Force	N	ML/T^2
f	Residual value vector		
J	Jacobian Matrix		
m	mass	$_{ m kg}$	${ m M}$
Δx	Variable displacement vector		

x Variable value vector

Greek Letters

 α acceleration m/s² L/T²

Subscripts

i Variable number

5 The \nomenclature command

\nomenclature To use the \nomenclature command

\nomenclature[<prefix>]{<symbol>}{<description>}{<units>}{<dimension>}

The <symbol> is the symbol entry to the nomenclature table. Do not forget to use the math environment (\$ \$) if it is a mathematical symbol. The <description> is the description of the symbol. The <units> are the physical (SI) units of the symbol. The <dimension> may be used to give the dimension of the used symbol, but other uses may be found.

The **prefix>** is made of two characters, as outlined in Section 4. The second character acts as a sorting identifier, for example, a–z. The first character can be:

- 'A' so that the symbol is classified as a Latin letter.
- 'G' so that the symbol is classified as a Greek letter.
- 'X' so that the symbol is classified as a superscript.
- 'Z' so that the symbol is classified as a subscript.

6 Acknowledgements

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7 To do

Ideas for future development:

Option for underlining group header lines
Make the dimension column optional

Possibility for user-defined symbol groups

Translation of symbol group names

8 Implementation

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1 (*package)
         2 % Additions and corrections to the package (especially for updating
         3\% it to version 4.2 of nomencl) have been provided by:
         4 % Stefan Pinnow (SP)
         5 % Patrick Egan (PE)
         6 % Rasmus Solmer Eriksen (RSE)
         7 % Andrea Kern
         8 % Christian Faulhammer (CF)
         9 %
        10 \def\docdate{2006/04/14}
        11 %SP
\into Option to specify if the nomenclature should be shown in the table of contents.
        12 \newif\if@intoc
        13 \RequirePackage{longtable}
        14 %SP
        15 \RequirePackageWithOptions{nomencl}[2005/09/22 v4.2 Nomenclature package (LN)]
        16 \RequirePackage{ifthen}
        17 \RequirePackage{calc}
        18 %SP
        19 \RequirePackage{array}
        20 %SP
        21 \DeclareOption{intoc}{\@intoctrue}
        22 \DeclareOption{notintoc}{\@intocfalse}
        24 \DeclareOption*{%
        25 \PassOptionsToPackage{\CurrentOption}{nomencl}%
        26 }
        27 %
        28
           \DeclareOption{croatian}{%
        29
              \def\eqdeclaration#1{jednad\v{z}bu\nobreakspace(#1)}%
        30
              \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}stranica\nobreakspace#1}%
        31 %SP
              \def\nomname{Popis simbola}%
        32
              \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
        33
              \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
        34
        35
              \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
              \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
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\DeclareOption{danish}{%
37
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{ligning\nobreakspace(#1)}%
38
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}side\nobreakspace#1}%
39
40 %SP
     \def\nomname{Symbolliste}%
41
     \def\nomAname{Romerske bogstaver}%
42
     \def\nomGname{Grske bogstaver}%
43
     \def\nomXname{(Hjtstillede) indices}%
44
     \def\nomZname{Indices}}
45
   \DeclareOption{english}{%
46
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{equation\nobreakspace(#1)}%
47
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}page\nobreakspace#1}%
48
49 %SP
     \def\nomname{Nomenclature}%
50
     \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
51
     \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
52
     \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
53
     \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
54
   \DeclareOption{french}{%
55
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{\'equation\nobreakspace(#1)}%
56
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}page\nobreakspace#1}%
57
58 %SP
     \def\nomname{Liste des symboles}%
59
     \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
60
     \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
61
     \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
62
     \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
64 \DeclareOption{german}{%
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{Gleichung\nobreakspace(#1)}%
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}Seite\nobreakspace#1}%
66
67 %SP
68 %CF
69
     \def\nomname{Symbolverzeichnis}%
70
     \def\nomAname{Lateinische Buchstaben}%
71
     \def\nomGname{Griechische Buchstaben}%
72
     \def\nomXname{(hochgestellte) Indizes}%
     \def\nomZname{Indizes}}
73
   \DeclareOption{italian}{%
74
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{equazione\nobreakspace(#1)}%
75
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}pagina\nobreakspace#1}%
76
77 %SP
     \def\nomname{Elenco dei Simboli}%
78
     \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
79
     \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
80
     \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
81
     \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
   \DeclareOption{polish}{%
83
84
     \def\eqdeclaration#1{rownanie\nobreakspace(#1)}%
85
     \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}strona\nobreakspace#1}%
86 %SP
```

```
87
      \def\nomname{Lista symboli}%
      \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
 88
      \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
 89
 90
      \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
      \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
 91
    \DeclareOption{portuguese}{%
 92
      \def\eqdeclaration#1{equa\c{c}\~ao\nobreakspace(#1)}%
 93
      \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}p\'agina\nobreakspace#1}%
 94
 95 %SP
      \def\nomname{Nomenclatura}%
 96
      \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
 97
      \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
 98
      \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
 99
      \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
100
    \DeclareOption{russian}{%
101
      \def\eqdeclaration#1{\cyrs\cyrm.\nobreakspace(#1)}%
102
      \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}\cyrs\cyrt\cyrr.\nobreakspace#1}%
103
      \def\nomname{\CYRS\cyrp\cyri\cyrs\cyro\cyrk%
104
        \\cyro\cyrb\cyro\cyrz\cyrn\cyra\cyrch\cyre\cyrn\cyri%
105
        \cyrishrt}%
106
107 %SP
      \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
108
      \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
109
      \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
110
      \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
111
112 \DeclareOption{spanish}{%
      \def\eqdeclaration#1{ecuaci\'on\nobreakspace(#1)}%
113
      \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}p\'agina\nobreakspace#1}%
114
115 %SP
      \def\nomname{Nomenclatura}%
116
      \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
117
      \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
118
      \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
119
120
      \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
121
    \DeclareOption{ukrainian}{%
122
      \def\eqdeclaration#1{\cyrd\cyri\cyrv.\nobreakspace(#1)}%
123
      \def\pagedeclaration#1{\hspace*{2mm}\cyrs\cyrt\cyro\cyrr.\nobreakspace#1}%
      \def\nomname{\CYRP\cyre\cyrr\cyre\cyrl\cyrii\cyrk%
124
             \\cyrp\cyro\cyrz\cyrn\cyra\cyrch\cyre\cyrn\cyrsftsn}%
125
126 %SP
      \def\nomAname{Latin Letters}%
127
128
      \def\nomGname{Greek Letters}%
      \def\nomXname{Superscripts}%
129
      \def\nomZname{Subscripts}}
131 \ExecuteOptions{notintoc, norefeq, norefpage, prefix, cfg, english}
132 \ProcessOptions\relax
133 %
134 %SP
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```
\nomenclature This is the actual command provided by the package.
              135 \def\@@nomenclature[#1]#2#3#4#5{\endgroup\@esphack}
              136 \def\@@@nomenclature[#1]#2#3#4#5{%
              137 \def\0\text{tempa}{\#2}\def\0\text{tempb}{\#3}\%
              138 %SP
              139 %PE
                  \protected@write\@nomenclaturefile{}%
                   141
                        \begingroup\nom@verb\@tempb\endgroup &\begingroup#4\endgroup&%
              142
                        \begingroup#5\endgroup&\begingroup\protect\nomeqref{\theequation}%
              143
                          |nompageref}{\thepage}}%
              144
              145
                  \endgroup
                  \@esphack}
              146
              147 %
              148 %SP
              149 %PE
              150 %RSE
              151
              152
              153 \def\thenomenclature{%
                   \@ifundefined{chapter}%
              154
              155
                     \section*{\nomname}
              156
                     \if@intoc\addcontentsline{toc}{section}{\nomname}\fi%
              157
                   }%
              158
              159
                     \chapter*{\nomname}
              160
                     \if@intoc\addcontentsline{toc}{chapter}{\nomname}\fi%
              161
              162
                    \@ifundefined{chapter}{\section*}{\chapter*}{\nomname}%
              163 %
                   \markboth{\nomname}{\nomname}
              164
                   \nompreamble
              165
              166 }
              167
              168 \def\endthenomenclature{%
              169
              170
                   \nompostamble}
              172 \renewcommand\nomgroup[1]{%
              173 %SP
                     \left\{ \frac{\#1}{A} \right\}
              174
                        \large{\nomAname}}{%
              175
                        \left\{ \left( \frac{\#1}{G} \right) \right\}
              176
                          \large{\nomGname}}{%
              177
                          \left\{ \frac{\#1}{X} \right\}
              178
                            \large{\nomXname}}{%
              179
                            \left( \frac{\#1}{Z} \right)
              180
                              \large{\nomZname}}{%
              181
```

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{}}}}}

8.1 The MakeIndex Style File

```
184 (*idxstyle)
185 %
         Nomenclature style file for makeindex. Based on the file
186 %SP
187 %
         nomencl.ist distributed with the LaTeX package nomencl version v4.2 2005/09/22
188 %
189 %
         Written by Brian Elmegaard be@mek.dtu.dk
190 %
191 %
         (Original file by Boris Veytsman)
192 %SP
193 %
         Updated by Stefan Pinnow 27 March 2006.
194 %PE
195 %
         Updated by Patrick Egan 02 March 2006.
196
197 %
198 %
         The output has been changed to a (LaTeX-style) longtable to have four
199 %
         columns.
200 %
201 \; \mathtt{actual} \; \ensuremath{^{\circ}0}\ensuremath{^{\circ}}
202 quote '%'
203 \; \text{delim\_0}
              11 11
204 \; \texttt{delim\_1}
              11 11
205 \text{ delim}_2
206 item_0
              " \\\\\n"
207 delim_t
208 line_max 1000
                       "\\multicolumn{3}{1}{\\nomgroup{"
209 \; \texttt{heading\_prefix}
                       "}} \\\\n\\nopagebreak\\\\*[\\parskip]\n\\nopagebreak{}"
210 heading_suffix
211 headings_flag
                          1
                        "\\\\*[\\parskip]"
212 group_skip
213 %SP
214 %PE
215 preamble "\n\\begin{thenomenclature}\n\%
216 \begin{longtable}[1]%
217 cp{\textwidth*\real{0.5}}c!{\textwidth*\n"}
218 postamble "\n\\end{longtable}\n\n\\end{thenomenclature}\n"
219 %SP
220 %PE
221 keyword "\\nomenclatureentry"
222 %
223 \langle /idxstyle \rangle
224 (*example)
225 % Example provided by Stefan Pinnow (SP)
226 \documentclass{article}
227 \usepackage[notintoc] {nomentbl}
228 \usepackage{setspace}
```

```
229
        \makenomenclature
230 %
231 \begin{document}
232 %
233 \section*{Main equations}
234 %
235 Here an equation
       \begin{equation}\label{eq:heatflux}
236
            \dot{Q} = k \dot A \dot \Delta T
237
        \end{equation}%
238
239
        \nomenclature[aQ]{$\dot{Q}$}{heat flux}{W}{}%
        \nomenclature[ak]{$k$}{overall heat transfer coefficient}{$\frac{\mathbb{W}}{\mathbb{W}}{\mathbb{W}}}
240
        \mbox{nomenclature} [aA] {$A$}{area}{m$^2$}{$L^2$}%
241
        \nomenclature[aL]{$L$}{length}{m}{SI base quantity}%
242
243
        \nomenclature[aT]{$T$}{temperature}{K}{SI base quantity}%
        \label{thm:linear_attitude} $$\operatorname{T}_{x}\simeq \operatorname{difference}_{K}_{SI} \ base \ quantity}_{X} $$
244
245~\%
246 \ \mathrm{or} \ \mathrm{another} \ \mathrm{one}
       \begin{equation}\label{eq:ohtc}
247
            \frac{1}{k} = \left[ \frac{1}{\alpha_{i}} , r_{\mathrm{i}} \right] +
248
249
            \sum_{j=1}\frac{1}{\lambda_{j}},
250
            \ln \frac{r_{\mathrm{a},j}}{r_{\mathrm{mathrm}\{i\},j\}} +
251
            \frac{1}{\alpha _{\mathrm{a}}\,
              r_{\mathrm{a}}}\right] \cdot r_{\mathrm{reference}}
252
253
        \end{equation}%
        \nomenclature[ga]{\$\alpha\$}{convection heat transfer coefficient}{\$\frac{\mathrm{W}}{\mathrm{W}}}
254
255
        \nomenclature[zi]{i}{in}{}}{}
        \nomenclature[g1]{\s\lambda\}\{thermal conductivity}\{\frac\\mathrm\{W}}\{\mathrm\{M K}}\}\}\}
256
        \mbox{nomenclature}[za]{a}{out}{}}
257
        258
        \nomenclature[zj]{$j$}{running parameter}{}{}%
259
260 %
261 That should do it.
263 \onehalfspacing
264 \printnomenclature
265 %
266 \end{document}
```

Change History

267 (/example)

v0.3	array package $\dots 3$
General: Initial version more or less	Updating to version 4.2 of
1, 3	nomencl 3
v0.4	Version updated for nomencl 4.2
General: Adding into option (SP) 3	with a few additions to func-
Improving the table by use of the	tionality 1

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