

Naming Conventions

File and Directory Names

Usual variable (suffix) names	Description	Examples
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> file-path-name file-path 	Complete name. Includes both path and file name. Path may be absolute or relative.	1. ~/dev/elisp/pel/pel-erlang.el 2. /Users/roup/dev/erlang/system_x/runner.erl 3. ../code/parser.cpp 4. ~/dev/elisp/pel/doc/pel-user-manual.1.rst
dir-path	Complete absolute or relative path. Emacs considers path as a string that ends with a path separator /	1. ~/dev/elisp/pel/ 2. /Users/roup/dev/erlang/system_x/ 3. ../code/ 4. ~/dev/elisp/pel/doc/
dir-path-name	Complete absolute or relative path. What Emacs considers a <i>file name</i> for a directory: the path without the trailing path separator. Note that a directory is <i>also</i> a file.	1. ~/dev/elisp/pel 2. /Users/roup/dev/erlang/system_x 3. ../code 4. ~/dev/elisp/pel/doc
file-name	The file name alone, without any path component.	1. pel-erlang.el 2. runner.erl 3. parser.cpp 4. pel-user-manual.1.rst
dir-name	The name of the parent directory.	1. pel 2. system_x 3. code 4. doc
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> basename file-base file-basename 	The file name without its path and extension components.	1. pel-erlang 2. runner 3. parser 4. pel-user-manual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> extension file-extension 	The string after the last period in the file name.	1. ~/dev/elisp/pel/pel-erlang-el 2. erl 3. cpp 4. rst

Source Code Naming Conventions - - Function Names

pel-	‘public’ function or command	A PEL function or interactive command that can be executed from anywhere.
pel--	‘private’ function	A PEL function that should not be used externally; these are meant to be used only by appropriate PEL code.
pel-Σ-	public’ hydra command	These are ‘public’ commands that can be used anywhere. The Σ symbol is used instead of the word ‘ hydra ’ in command names to shorten them a little. This helps showing a larger portion o the command name when the prefix key is typed and which-mode shows the list of commands in the minibuffer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 👉 Under macOS, typing Σ is done using the <code>⌘w</code> key combination. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note that when Emacs runs in terminal mode you can use <code>⌘⌥o</code> to switch the meaning of the <code>⌘</code> key between Option and Meta.