# The **enumerate** package[*]

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**Abstract**

This package gives the enumerate environment an optional argument which determines the style in which the counter is printed.

An occurence of one of the tokens `A a I i` or `1` produces the value of the counter printed with (respectively) `\Alph \alph \Roman \roman` or `\arabic`.

These letters may be surrounded by any strings involving any other TeX expressions, however the tokens `A a I i 1` must be inside a `{ }` group if they are not to be taken as special.

# 1 Examples

EX i.   one one one one one one one one one one one one

EX ii.  two

 example a)  one of two one of two one of two

 example b)  two of two

A-1 one

A-2 two

```
\begin{enumerate}[EX i.]
\item one one one one one one one
      one one one one\label{LA}
\item two
    \begin{enumerate}[{example} a)]
    \item one of two  one of two
          one of two\label{LB}
    \item two of two
    \end{enumerate}
    \item two of two
    \end{enumerate}
\end{enumerate}

\begin{enumerate}[{A}-1]
\item one\label{LC}
\item two
\end{enumerate}
```

`\label` and `\ref` may be used as with the standard **enumerate** environment. `\ref` only produces the counter value, not the whole label. `\ref` prints the value

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in the same style as \item, as determined by the presence of one of the tokens
A a I i 1 in the optional argument. In the above example \ref{LA}, \ref{LB}
and \ref{LC} produce 'i', 'iia' and '1' respectively.

## 2  Macros

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\@enlab  Internal token register used to build up the label command from the optional
argument.

2 \newtoks\@enLab

\@enQmark  This just expands to a '?'. \ref will produce this, if no counter is printed.

3 \def\@enQmark{?}

The next four macros build up the command that will print the item label.
They each gobble one token or group from the optional argument, and add corre-
sponding tokens to the register \@enLab. They each end with a call to \@enloop,
which starts the processing of the next token.

\@enLabel  Add the counter to the label. #2 will be one of the 'special' tokens A a I i 1,
and is thrown away. #1 will be a command like \Roman.

```
4 \def\@enLabel#1#2{%
5   \edef\@enThe{\noexpand#1{\@enumctr}}%
6   \@enLab\expandafter{\the\@enLab\csname the\@enumctr\endcsname}%
7   \@enloop}
```

\@enSpace  Add a space to the label. The tricky bit is to gobble the space token, as you can
\@enSp@ce  not do this with a macro argument.

```
8 \def\@enSpace{\afterassignment\@enSp@ce\let\@tempa= }
9 \def\@enSp@ce{\@enLab\expandafter{\the\@enLab\space}\@enloop}
```

\@enGroup  Add a { } group to the label.

```
10 \def\@enGroup#1{\@enLab\expandafter{\the\@enLab{#1}}\@enloop}
```

\@enOther  Add anything else to the label

```
11 \def\@enOther#1{\@enLab\expandafter{\the\@enLab#1}\@enloop}
```

\@enloop  The body of the main loop. Eating tokens this way instead of using \@tfor lets
\@enloop@  you see spaces and **all** braces. \@tfor would treat a and {a} as special, but not
{{a}}.

```
12 \def\@enloop{\futurelet\@entemp\@enloop@}

13 \def\@enloop@{%
14   \ifx A\@entemp        \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\Alph  }\else
15   \ifx a\@entemp        \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\alph  }\else
16   \ifx i\@entemp        \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\roman }\else
17   \ifx I\@entemp        \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\Roman }\else
```

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18    \ifx 1\@entemp          \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\arabic}\else
19    \ifx \@sptoken\@entemp \let\@tempa\@enSpace        \else
20    \ifx \bgroup\@entemp    \let\@tempa\@enGroup        \else
21    \ifx \@enum@\@entemp    \let\@tempa\@gobble         \else
22                            \let\@tempa\@enOther
```

Hook for possible extensions

```
23                           \@enhook
```

```
24            \fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi\fi
```

Process the current token, then look at the next.

```
25    \@tempa}
```

**\@enhook** Hook for possible extensions. Some packages may want to extend the number of special characters that are associated with counter representations. This feature was requested to enable Russian alphabetic counting, but here I give an example of a footnote symbol counter, triggered by ∗.

To enable a new counter type based on a letter, you just need to add a new `\ifx` clause by analogy with the code above. So for example to make ∗ trigger footnote symbol counting. a package should do the following.

Initialise the hook, in case the package is loaded before enumerate.

```
\providecommand\@enhook{}
```

Add to the hook a new `\ifx` clause that associates ∗ with the `\fnsymbol` counter command.

```
\g@addto@macro\@enhook{%
  \ifx *\@entemp
    \def\@tempa{\@enLabel\fnsymbol}%
  \fi}
```

This code sequence should work whether it is loaded before or after this enumerate package. Any number of new counter types may be added in this way.

At this point we just need initialise the hook, taking care not to over write any definitions another package may already have added.

```
26 \providecommand\@enhook{}
```

**\enumerate** The new enumerate environment. This is the first half of the original enumerate environment. If there is an optional argument, call `\@@enum@` to define the label commands, otherwise call `\@enum@` which is the second half of the original definition.

```
27 \def\enumerate{%
28   \ifnum \@enumdepth >3 \@toodeep\else
29       \advance\@enumdepth \@ne
30       \edef\@enumctr{enum\romannumeral\the\@enumdepth}\fi
31   \@ifnextchar[{\@@enum@}{\@enum@}}
```

**\@@enum@** Handle the optional argument..

```
32 \def\@@enum@[#1]{%
```

Initialise the loop which will break apart the optional argument. The command to print the label is built up in `\@enlab`. `\@enThe` will be used to define `\theenum`$n$.

```
33    \@enLab{}\let\@enThe\@enQmark
```

The `\@enum@` below is never expanded, it is used to detect the end of the token list.

```
34    \@enloop#1\@enum@
```

Issue a warning if we did not find one of the 'special' tokens.

```
35    \ifx\@enThe\@enQmark\@warning{The counter will not be printed.%
36     ^^J\space\@spaces\@spaces\@spaces The label is: \the\@enLab}\fi
```

Define `\labelenum`$n$ and `\theenum`$n$.

```
37    \expandafter\edef\csname label\@enumctr\endcsname{\the\@enLab}%
38    \expandafter\let\csname the\@enumctr\endcsname\@enThe
```

Set the counter to 7 so that we get the width of 'vii' if roman numbering is in force then set `\leftmargin`$n$. to the width of the label plus `\labelsep`.

```
39    \csname c@\@enumctr\endcsname7
40    \expandafter\settowidth
41            \csname leftmargin\romannumeral\@enumdepth\endcsname
42            {\the\@enLab\hspace{\labelsep}}%
```

Finally call `\@enum@` which is the second half of the original definition.

```
43    \@enum@}
```

`\@enum@`  All the list parameters have now been defined, so call `\list`. This is taken straight from the original definition of `\enumerate`.

```
44 \def\@enum@{\list{\csname label\@enumctr\endcsname}%
45            {\usecounter{\@enumctr}\def\makelabel##1{\hss\llap{##1}}}}
```

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```