

# xGlossaries Package

An extension to the glossaries packages

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## 1 Introduction

The `xglossaries` package provides some useful extensions to the `glossaries` packages. This documentation explains the additional features only. The basic setup and use of `glossaries` is explained in the `glossaries` documentation. It is recommended to read that documentation, too.

## 2 Package Loading and Options

To load the package, use

```
\usepackage[Key1=Value1, ...]{xglossaries}
```

There are three additional keys, which are explained below. All other keys are forwarded to the `glossaries` packages.

## 3 Manual Referencing

This feature allows to manually control, to which pages are referred in the glossary. To deactivate this feature use

```
\usepackage[manref=false]{xglossaries}
```

In order to create a glossary entry, whose referenc list (in the glossary package also referred to as number list), uses the `manref` key for `\newglossaryentry`, `\newacronym` etc. commands, e. g.

```
\newacronym[manref]{TLA}{TLA}{three letter acronym}
```

To activate the manual referencing for all entries of one glossary, use the `\glosmanref`

```
\glosmanref{acronym}
```

This command has to be called, before entries are defined.

You can use any entry as explained in `glossaries` documentation using the `\gls` and `\ac` commands. To indicate that a usage shall be referred in the glossaries, use the `ref` key, e. g.

```
\ac[ref]{TLA}
```

for **three letter acronym (TLA)**.

## 4 Plural Alias

This feature allows to define an alias for the plural of an acronym. To deactivate this feature use

```
\usepackage[PluralAlias=false]{xglossaries}
```

The `glossaries` package provides several commands to create the plural of an acronym, e. g. `\acp{TLA}` for **TLAs**. While this works well in principle, the usage corresponds not to the natural language usage. A more intuitive interface would be `\acp{TLAs}`. This can be achieved using `pluralalias` key, e. g.:

```
\newacronym[manref, pluralalias=TLAs]%  
  {TLA}{TLA}{three letter acronym}
```

Now, `\ac{TLAs}` results in **TLAs**.

## 5 Symbol Tools

This feature provides some tools for creating a nomenclature using the `glossaries` package. To deactivate this feature use

```
\usepackage[SymbolTools=false]{xglossaries}
```

A command to add new symbols to a glossary `\newsym` is provided:

```
\newsym[unit={m/s}]{Qhh}{Q_{hh}}{generalized aero}
```

The additional key `unit` is an alias for the fields `user1`/`useri` of a glossary. To refer to a symbol, you can use the command `\sym` and `\Sym`, e. g.

```
\sym[ref]{Qhh}
```

for  **$Q_{hh}$** .

Further more, there you can use `\newsymcat` to create a category for symbols, e. g.

```
\newsymcat{aero}{Aerodynamics}
```

To add a symbol to a category use the `parent` key. Alternatively, use `\newsymincat` to add a symbol to a default category. The default category can be chosen (or changed) by `\defaultsymcat`. This is a complete example:

```

% Create categories
\newsymcat{aero}{Aerodynamics}
\newsymcat{cont}{Control Theory}

% Add symbols to aero
\defaultsymcat{aero}
\newsymincat[unit={m/s}]{Qhh}{Q_{hh}}{generalized aero}
\newsymincat{Qjj}{Q_{jj}}{aero}

% Add symbols to cont
\defaultsymcat{cont}
\newsymincat{A}{A}{state matrix}
\newsymincat{B}{B}{input matrix}
\newsymincat{C}{C}{output matrix}

```

In order to print that glossary, it is highly recommended to use the `longSymbolCats` glossary style, see next section.

Finally, you can use `\symshortcut` to create shortcuts for symbols.

```

\symshortcut{Qjj}%           % Creates \Qjj[#1]=\sym*[#1]{Qjj}
\symshortcut[Amat]{A}%      % Creates \Amat[#1]=\sym*[#1]{A}

```

Additionally a command `\Qjj?` and `\Amat?` is created, which call the non-starred version of `\sym`.

Some tests:  $Q_{jj}$   $Q_{jj}$   $A$   $A$

## 6 Glossary Styles

Finally, this package provides some additional glossary styles. To deactivate this feature use

```
\usepackage[DefineStyles=false]{xglossaries}
```

For acronyms, the styles `longAcronym` and `longAcronymHeader` are provided:

### Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description	Page
TLA	Three letter acronym.	2

For symbols, the styles `longSymbol` and `longSymbolHeader` are provided. Additionally, the style `longSymbolCatsHeader` in combination with the category tools of the preceding section is provided:

### Symbols

## Aerodynamics

Symbol	Description	Page
$Q_{hh}$ [m/s]	Generalized aero.	2
$Q_{jj}$	Aero.	3

## Control Theory

Symbol	Description	Page
$A$	State matrix.	3
$B$	Input matrix.	
$C$	Output matrix.	