

# The `latex-lab-sec` package

## Changes related to the tagging of sectioning commands

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### Abstract

The following code implements a first draft for the tagging of sectioning commands.

## 1 Limitations

Sectioning commands are in not defined by the format but by the classes. Their implementation vary: some are defined with the help of `\@startsection`, some are like `\chapter` handcrafted, some build with the help of extension packages or as in the KOMA classes with class code that extends the `\@startsection` functionality.

The following code can therefore currently be used *only* with the standard classes or with classes which do not overwrite the changed definitions.

## 2 Introduction

Tagging of sectioning commands consist of two parts:

- The heading/title text of the section should be surrounded by a heading tag, typically `Hn` with some value of `n`. The number of the section command can optionally be put in a `Lb1`. The number of the `Hn` tag should reflect the “natural” level. So in an article `\section` will use `H1`, in a book `\chapter` will use `H1` and `\section` `H2`. Titles of `\part` are a bit out of this system as they are normally not part of the hierarchy: often only some chapters are grouped under a part. Their title is therefore tagged as `Title`.
- The whole section should normally be surrounded by a `Sect` tag. Parts should be surrounded by `Part`. It is a bit unclear if the headings should be inside or outside of these structures—the best practice guide puts them outside—but on the whole it sounds more logical to group the heading with the text inside the `Sect`. For the part this is actually required, as there can be only one `Title` in a structure, so the part title can’t be at the same level as the document `Title`.

Starting such an enclosing `Sect` structure is rather easy, but closing it requires code in various place, for example the commands `\mainmatter`, `\backmatter`, `\frontmatter` and `\appendix` should typically close everything. Following sectioning commands should close all previous structures with a level equal or higher than their own level.

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\*Initial implementation done by Ulrike Fischer

### 3 Technical details and problems

The implementation has to take care of various details.

- As sections in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X are not environments, the <Sect> structures can be wrongly nested with other structures. For example if a document puts a sectioning command into a list or a trivlist or a minipage then it can no longer close previous <Sect> structures correctly. The problem can be detected by checking the structure stack and a warning can be issued, but the author then has to close the structures manually before the list or minipage.

Thus there have to be user interfaces to handle such cases. It should also be possible not to create all the <Sect> structures automatically but to tag only the headings so that the author can handle special cases manually.

- If hyperref is used, targets for links should be inserted, either with `\refstepcounter` or manually with `\MakeLinkTarget`. These targets must be in the correct structure for the structure destinations. They replace some of the current patches in hyperref.
- With lualatex the mc-commands set attributes *locally*, so the commands must be at the right grouping level.

#### 3.1 Funktions and keys

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`\tag_tool:n`  
`\tagtool`

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#### 3.2 TODO

- A dedicated command to close a sectioning unit should be provided.
- A dedicated command to open a sectioning unit should be provided too.
- It should also be possible to suppress the sectioning unit in sectioning commands to allow e.g. to put an epigraph or similar in front.
- The number in `\part` and `\chapter` is currently not correctly tagged as a Lbl as this requires to redefine the internal (class dependant) commands too.

<sup>1</sup> `<*package>`

### 4 Implementation

<sup>2</sup> `\ProvidesExplPackage {latex-lab-testphase-sec} {2023-05-20} {0.81}`  
<sup>3</sup> `{Code related to the tagging of sectioning commands}`

#### 4.1 Surrounding by Sect structures

We use a stack to record the levels of the open `Sect`. The first item has level -100. A sectioning command will take a record from the stack. If its level is greater or equal it

closes this structure and takes the next record from the stack. If the record has a smaller level then it puts it back and stops. The stack is compared with the main structure stack, if they don't match it means we can't safely close the `Sect` and so we issue a warning and do nothing.

#### 4.1.1 Loading general kernel changes

[kernel?] Also loaded in the toc-tagging code.

```

4 \RequirePackage{latex-lab-kernel-changes}
5 \end{package}

```

#### 4.1.2 Glyphtounicode improvements

As luatex runs with legacy encodings in the test files, we enable and load glyphtounicode. For the math we load additional definitions.

```

6 \kernelchange
7 \ifdefined\directlua
8 \pdfvariable gentounicode =1
9 \protected\def\pdfglyptounicode {\pdfextension glyphtounicode }
10 \input{glyphtounicode}
11 \fi
12 \ifdefined\pdfglyptounicode
13 \input{glyphtounicode-cmex}
14 \fi
15 \end{kernelchange}

```

#### 4.1.3 updating \@currentHref

[kernel?]

We must ensure that manual targets (e.g. in unnumbered sections) correctly update `\@currentHref`. For this we extend the kernel definition of `\MakeLinkTarget`

```

16 \kernelchange
17 \ExplSyntaxOn
18 \int_new:N\g__kernel_target_int
19 \RenewDocumentCommand\MakeLinkTarget{sO{m}}
20 {%
21 \ifvmode
22 \special{}%
23 \else
24 \@savsf\spacefactor
25 \smash{}%
26 \spacefactor\@savsf
27 \fi
28 \IfBooleanTF {#1}
29 {
30 \tl_gset:Nx \@currentHref {#3}
31 }
32 {
33 \int_gincr:N\g__kernel_target_int
34 \tl_gset:Nx \@currentHref {target*.\int_use:N\g__kernel_target_int}
35 }
36 }

```

```

37 \ExplSyntaxOff
38 \kernelchange
39 (*package)

```

#### 4.1.4 Tagging commands

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`\g__tag_sec_stack_seq` The stack holds the tag and the level.

```

40 \seq_new:N \g__tag_sec_stack_seq
41 \seq_gpush:Nn\g__tag_sec_stack_seq {{Document}}{-100}}

```

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`\l__tag_sec_Sect_bool` This boolean controls if a Sect structure is opened.

```

42 \bool_new:N \l__tag_sec_Sect_bool
43 \bool_set_true:N\l__tag_sec_Sect_bool

```

`\__tag_sec_begin:nn` This starts a sectioning structure. Currently the tag is fix, either Sect or Part, depending on the level, but this will perhaps change. The second argument is currently unused.

```

44 \cs_new_protected:Npn\__tag_sec_begin:nn #1 #2 % #1 level #2 keyval
45 {
46   \tag_struct_begin:n
47   {
48     tag= {\int_compare:nNnTF {#1}={-1}}{Part}{Sect}}
49     ,#2
50   }
51   \seq_gpush:Nx \g__tag_sec_stack_seq {{\g__tag_struct_tag_tl}{\int_eval:n{#1}}}
52 }

```

(End definition for `\__tag_sec_begin:nn`.)

```

\__tag_sec_end:n

53 \msg_new:nnn { tag } {wrong-sect-nesting}
54 {
55   The~structure~#1~can~not~be~closed.\\
56   It~is~not~equal~to~the~current~structure~#2~on~the~main~stack
57 }
58
59 \cs_new_protected:Npn\__tag_sec_end:n #1 % #1 level
60 {
61   \seq_get:NN \g__tag_sec_stack_seq \l__tag_tmpa_tl
62   \int_compare:nNnT {#1}<{\exp_last_unbraced:N\use_ii:nn\l__tag_tmpa_tl+1}
63   {
64     \seq_get:NN\g__tag_struct_tag_stack_seq \l__tag_tmpb_tl
65     \exp_args:Nee
66     \tl_if_eq:nnTF
67       {\exp_last_unbraced:N\use_i:nn\l__tag_tmpa_tl}
68       {\exp_last_unbraced:N\use_i:nn\l__tag_tmpb_tl}
69     {
70       \seq_gpop:NN \g__tag_sec_stack_seq \l__tag_tmpa_tl
71       \tag_struct_end:
72       \__tag_sec_end:n {#1}

```

```

73         }
74     {
75         \msg_warning:nxxx {tag}{wrong-sect-nesting}
76         { \exp_last_unbraced:N\use_i:nn \l__tag_tmpa_tl }
77         { \exp_last_unbraced:N\use_i:nn \l__tag_tmpb_tl }
78     }
79 }
80 }

```

(End definition for \\_\_tag\_sec\_end:n.)

\\_\_tag\_tool\_para\_split: Run-in-sectioning command must separate the heading from the following text.

```

81 \cs_new_protected:Npn \__tag_tool_para_split:
82 {
83     \tag_mc_end:
84     \tag_struct_end:
85     \tag_struct_begin:n{tag=\l__tag_para_tag_default_tl}
86     \tag_mc_begin:n{ }
87     \__tag_setup_restore_para_default:
88 }

```

(End definition for \\_\_tag\_tool\_para\_split:.)

\\_\_tag\_setup\_restore\_para\_default: We change the para tagging in the sectioning code. This here restores the default. Currently it only resets the the tag, but perhaps more will be needed later.

```

89 \cs_new_protected:Npn \__tag_setup_restore_para_default:
90 {
91     \tl_set:Nn \l__tag_para_main_tag_tl {text-unit}
92     \tl_set_eq:NN \l__tag_para_tag_tl \l__tag_para_tag_default_tl
93 }

```

(End definition for \\_\_tag\_setup\_restore\_para\_default:.)

\\_\_tag\_sec\_end\_display:

```

94 \cs_new_protected:Npn \__tag_sec_end_display:
95 {
96     \tag_struct_end: %P = Hn
97     \__tag_setup_restore_para_default:
98 }

```

(End definition for \\_\_tag\_sec\_end\_display:.)

Open sec structures should be closed at the end of the document. This should be done before tagpdf closes the Document structure.

```

99 \hook_gput_code:nnn{tagpdf/finish/before}{tagpdf/sec}{\__tag_sec_end:n{-10}}
100 \hook_gset_rule:nnnn {tagpdf/finish/before}{tagpdf/sec}{before}{tagpdf}

```

The commands \mainmatter, \backmatter, \frontmatter and \appendix close all Sect and Part structures.

```

101 \AddToHook{cmd/frontmatter/before}{\__tag_sec_end:n{-10}}
102 \AddToHook{cmd/mainmatter/before} {\__tag_sec_end:n{-10}}
103 \AddToHook{cmd/backmatter/before} {\__tag_sec_end:n{-10}}
104 \AddToHook{cmd/appendix/before}   {\__tag_sec_end:n{-10}}

```

## 4.2 Tagging tools

We need to provide user and package level commands

```

105 \cs_if_free:NT \tag_tool:n
106 {
107   \cs_new_protected:Npn \tag_tool:n #1
108   {
109     \tag_if_active:T { \keys_set:nn {tag / tool}{#1} }
110   }
111   \cs_set_eq:NN\tagtool\tag_tool:n
112 }
113 \keys_define:nn { tag / tool}
114 {
115   ,sec-start-part .code:n =
116   {
117     \bool_if:NT\l__tag_sec_Sect_bool
118     {
119       \__tag_sec_end:n {-1}
120       \__tag_sec_begin:nn{-1}{tag=Part}
121     }
122     \tag_struct_begin:n{tag=part,title=#1}

```

We remap here the text-unit from the paragraph to NonStruct. It would be better to suppress it completely as with the other sectioning commands, but this would require to redefine \@spart and \@part, as there is the grouping, and these commands are all slightly different in the standard classes. So this is delayed to the time when sectioning commands are redefined with templates.

```

123     \tl_set:Nn\l__tag_para_main_tag_tl {NonStruct}
124     \tl_set:Nn\l__tag_para_tag_tl {Span}
125   }
126   ,sec-stop-part .code:n = {\__tag_sec_end_display:}
127   ,sec-start-chapter .code:n =
128   {
129     \bool_if:NT\l__tag_sec_Sect_bool
130     {
131       \__tag_sec_end:n {0}
132       \__tag_sec_begin:nn{0}{tag=Sect}
133     }
134     \tag_struct_begin:n{tag=chapter,title=#1}

```

similar to part we remap to NonStruct for now ...

```

135     \tl_set:Nn\l__tag_para_main_tag_tl {NonStruct}
136     \tl_set:Nn\l__tag_para_tag_tl {Span}
137   }
138   ,sec-stop-chapter .meta:n = { sec-stop-part}
139   ,sec-start .code:n = % #1 is a name like "section"
140   {
141     \bool_if:NT\l__tag_sec_Sect_bool
142     {
143       \__tag_sec_end:n {\cs_if_exist_use:c{toclevel@#1}+0}
144       \__tag_sec_begin:nn {\cs_if_exist_use:c{toclevel@#1}+0}{tag=Sect}
145     }
146     \tl_set:Nn\l__tag_para_tag_tl{#1}
147   }

```

```

148 ,sec-start .value_required:n = true
149 ,sec-split-para .code:n = {\__tag_tool_para_split:}
150 ,restore-para .code:n = {\__tag_setup_restore_para_default:}
151 ,sec-stop .code:n =
152 {
153   \par\__tag_sec_end:n   {\cs_if_exist_use:c{toclevel@#1}+0}
154 }
155 ,sec-stop .value_required:n = true
156 ,sec-add-grouping .bool_set:N = \l__tag_sec_Sect_bool
157 }

```

## 5 Sectioning commands

### 5.1 \part and \chapter

\part and \chapter are defined by the classes. To tag them we redefine the user commands. This will probably break with various classes and with titlesec. The tagging inside relies on the para tagging. We do not yet use keyval in the optional argument, as this requires latex-dev and the naming of the keys and their key family is unclear.

```

158 \AddToHook{class/after}
159 {
160   \@ifundefined{chapter}
161   {

```

This redefines \part in article class.

```

162   \RenewDocumentCommand\part{ s O{#3} m }
163   {
164     \if@noskipsec \leavevmode \fi
165     \par
166     \addvspace{4ex}%
167     \@afterindentfalse

```

This are the tagging commands needed at the begin. They open a Part structure and the structure for the title of the heading.

```

168     % tagging start commands
169     \tag_tool:n {sec-start-part=#2}
170     % end tagging start commands

```

This adds a manual target if the part is unnumbered or starred. It replaces the hyperref patches.

```

171     \bool_lazy_any:nT
172     {
173       { #1 }
174       {
175         \int_compare_p:nNn {\c@secnumdepth}<{-1}
176       }
177     }
178     {
179       \MakeLinkTarget[part]{}
180     }

```

The main call to the underlying commands.

```

181     \IfBooleanTF
182     {#1}

```

```

183         { \@spart {#3} }
184         { \@part [#2]{#3} }

```

and now the closing command for the tagging of the title.

```

185         \tag_tool:n {sec-stop-part}
186     }
187 }

```

Redefinitions for book and report

```

188 {
189     \RenewDocumentCommand\chapter{ s O{#3} m }
190     {
191         \ifOpenright\cleardoublepage\else\clearpage\fi
192         \thispagestyle{plain}%
193         \global\@topnum\z@
194         \@afterindentfalse

```

This are the tagging commands needed at the begin. They open a Sect structure and the structure for the title of the heading.

```

195         \tag_tool:n { sec-start-chapter= #2 }

```

This adds a manual target if the chapter is unnumbered or starred. It replaces the hyperref patches.

```

196         \bool_lazy_any:nT
197         {
198             { #1 }
199             {
200                 \int_compare_p:nNn {\c@secnumdepth}<{0}
201             }
202             {
203                 %in book target also needed in frontmatter
204                 \bool_lazy_and_p:nn
205                 { \cs_if_exist_p:c { @mainmattertrue } }
206                 { ! \legacy_if_p:n { @mainmatter } }
207             }
208         }
209         {
210             \MakeLinkTarget[chapter]{}
211             %todo public function for this update!
212             \tl_if_blank:VF \@currentHref
213             {
214                 \prop_gput:Nxx \g__tag_struct_dest_num_prop {\@currentHref}{\tag_get:n{struct
215             }
216         }

```

The main call to the underlying commands.

```

217         \IfBooleanTF
218         {#1}
219         { \@schapter {#3} }
220         { \@chapter [#2]{#3} }

```

and now the closing command for the tagging of the title.

```

221         \tag_tool:n {sec-stop-chapter}
222     }

```



and similar for `\part`

```

223 \RenewDocumentCommand\part{ s O{#3} m }
224 {
225   \if@openright
226     \cleardoublepage
227   \else
228     \clearpage
229   \fi
230   \thispagestyle{plain}%
231   \if@twocolumn
232     \onecolumn
233     \@tempwattrue
234   \else
235     \@tempwafalse
236   \fi
237   \null\vfil

```

This are the tagging commands needed at the begin. They open a Part structure and the structure for the title of the heading.

```

238 \tag_tool:n {sec-start-part=#2}

```

This adds a manual target if the part is unnumbered or starred. It replaces the hyperref patches.

```

239 \bool_lazy_any:nT
240 {
241   { #1 }
242   {
243     \int_compare_p:nNn {\c@secnumdepth}<{-1}
244   }
245   {
246     %in book target also needed in frontmatter
247     \bool_lazy_and_p:nn
248       { \cs_if_exist_p:c { @mainmattertrue } }
249       { ! \legacy_if_p:n { @mainmatter } }
250   }
251 }
252 {
253   \MakeLinkTarget[part]{}
254   \tl_if_blank:VF \@currentHref
255   {
256     \prop_gput:Nxx \g__tag_struct_dest_num_prop {\@currentHref}{\tag_get:n{struct_
257   }
258 }

```

The main call to the underlying commands.

```

259 \IfBooleanTF
260 {#1}
261 { \@spart {#3} }
262 { \@part [#2]{#3} }

```

and now the closing command for the tagging of the title.

```

263 \tag_tool:n{sec-stop-part}
264 }
265 }
266 }

```

## 5.2 Sectioning commands based on \@startsection

The tagging of relies again on the para tagging: we simply exchange the tag name by the one given as #1. This assumes that a tag with the name of the sectioning type is defined. We don't try to pass the title, this will be done together with the new keyval handling in the user command.

### 5.2.1 Hyperref code

hyperref has to insert anchors. If the sectioning is numbered this is done by \refstepcounter (and so in vmode). For unnumbered section hyperref injects the anchor in hmode before the text, it also inserts a kern to compensate the indent.

This means that the target of numbered and unnumbered sectioning commands differ, both regarding the location and in relation to the tagging structure: The anchor from the \refstepcounter is outside of the structure created by the heading title if the para tags are used, while the other anchors are inside and so the structure destinations are different.

We unify this by suppressing the anchor from the refstepcounter. Also we only go back if the indent is positive.

At first suppress all hyperref patches related to sectioning:

```
267 \def\hyper@nopatch@sectioning{}
```

```
\@hyp@section@target@nnn
```

A simple internal command. There is no need for something public, as packages defining their own version of \@startsection will probably need something slightly different based on \MakeLinkTarget.

```
268 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@hyp@section@target@nnn #1 #2 #3 % #1 optarg #2 name/counter, #3 indent
269 {
270   \makebox[0pt][l]
271   {
272     \skip_set:Nn \@tempskipa {#3}
273     \dim_compare:nNf {\@tempskipa}<{0pt}{\kern-\@tempskipa}
274     \MakeLinkTarget#1{#2}
275   }
276   \tl_if_blank:VF \@currentHref
277   {
278     \prop_gput:Nxx \g__tag_struct_dest_num_prop {\@currentHref}{\tag_get:n{struct_num}}
279   }
280 }
```

(End definition for \@hyp@section@target@nnn. This function is documented on page ??.)

## 5.3 Adaption of the heading commands

We add to \@startsection the commands to open the Sect structure and to change the para tag.

```
281 \def\@startsection#1#2#3#4#5#6{%
282   \if@noskipsec \leavevmode \fi
283   \par
284   \@tempskipa #4\relax
285   \@afterindenttrue
286   \ifdim \@tempskipa <\z@
287     \@tempskipa -\@tempskipa \@afterindentfalse
```

```

288 \fi
289 \if@nbreak
290 \everypar{}%
291 \else
292 \addpenalty\@secpenalty\addvspace\@tempskipa
293 \fi
294 \tag_tool:n { sec-start=#1}%new
295 \@ifstar
296 {\@ssect{#3}{#4}{#5}{#6}}%
297 {\@dblarg{\@sect{#1}{#2}{#3}{#4}{#5}{#6}}}}

```

To be able to correctly tag the number we need a special `\@hangfrom` variant. This is a bit tricky: As the paragraph starts after the `\setbox` luatex attributes are not set yet and numbers are unmarked if one doesn't pay attention. The code assumes that we are in vmode!

```

298 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@kernel@tag@hangfrom #1
299 {
300 \tagstructbegin{tag=\l__tag_para_tag_tl}
301 \tagstructbegin{tag=Lbl}
302 \setbox\@tempboxa
303 \hbox
304 {

```

In lua mode we have to set the attributes inside the box!

```

305 \bool_lazy_and:nnT
306 {\tag_if_active_p:}
307 {\g__tag_mode_lua_bool}
308 {\tagmcbegin{tag=Lbl}}
309 {#1}
310 }

```

We stop tagging now, to avoid that the `\noindent` triggers the paratagging. We do not disable paratagging completely, to avoid that the numbering goes wrong.

```

311 \tag_stop:n{hangfrom}
312 \hangindent \wd\@tempboxa\noindent

```

Restart tagging and insert the box.

```

313 \tag_start:n{hangfrom}
314 \tagmcbegin{}\box\@tempboxa\tagmcend\tagstructend\tagmcbegin{}}

```

This command is used to tag the numbers of runin. We do not try to avoid the empty container from the paratagging, this would require more changes.

```

315 \cs_new_protected:Npn \@kernel@tag@svsec
316 {
317 \tag_mc_end_push:
318 \tag_struct_begin:n{tag=Lbl}
319 \tag_mc_begin:n{
320 \@svsec
321 \tag_mc_end:
322 \tag_struct_end:
323 \tag_mc_begin_pop:n{
324 }

```

`\@sect` is only changed to replace the hyperref patches and to use the new `\@kernel@tag@hangfrom` and `\@kernel@tag@svsec`

```

325 \def\@sect#1#2#3#4#5#6[#7]#8{%

```



```

379 \fi
380 \xsect{#3}}

```

At last `\xsect` needs code in two places. For display headings it has to restore the default para code, for run in headings it has to separated the heading from the following text.

```

381 \def\xsect#1{%
382   \@tempskipa #1\relax
383   \ifdim \@tempskipa>\z@
384     \par \nobreak
385     \vskip \@tempskipa
386     \tag_tool:n {restore-para}
387     \@afterheading
388   \else
389     \@nobreakfalse
390     \global\@noskipsectrue
391     \everypar{%
392       \if@noskipsec
393         \global\@noskipsecfalse
394         {\setbox\z@\lastbox}%
395         \clubpenalty\@M
396         \begingroup \@svsechd \endgroup
397         \unskip
398         \tag_tool:n {sec-split-para}
399         \@tempskipa #1\relax
400         \hskip -\@tempskipa
401       \else
402         \clubpenalty \@clubpenalty
403         \everypar{}}%
404     \fi}%
405 \fi
406 \ignorespaces}
407 \endpackage
408 \end{latex-lab}
409 \ProvidesFile{sec-tagging-latex-lab-testphase.ltx}
410 [2023-05-20 v0.82 code related to the tagging of sectioning commands]
411 \RequirePackage{latex-lab-testphase-sec}
412 \end{latex-lab}

```