

# The **nccfoots** package\*

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The package implements commands for generating footnotes marked by hands.

## 1 User Interface

\Footnotemark  
\Footnotetext  
\Footnote

These commands accompany to the ordinary L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X's footnote mark command. They allow user to mark footnotes by hands. Their syntax is the following:

```
\Footnotemark{\langle marker\rangle}
\Footnotetext{\langle marker\rangle}{\langle inserted text\rangle}
\Footnote{\langle marker\rangle}{\langle inserted text\rangle}
```

When *\langle marker\rangle* is empty the previous marker will be used. Hence, \Footnote command is equal to

```
\Footnotemark{\langle marker\rangle}\Footnotetext{}{\langle inserted text\rangle}
```

## 2 The Implementation

\NCC@makefnmark

We begin with the internal command \NCC@makemark which tests the footnote marker to be empty and globally redefines L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X internal command \@thefnmark to be equal to this marker. We use exactly the same expansion method as in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub>. We also initialize \@thefnmark command to avoid error when the first marking command has an empty marker.

```
1 {*package}
2 \def\NCC@makefnmark#1{\def\@tempa{#1}%
3   \ifx\@tempa\empty\else
4     \begingroup
5       \unrestored@protected@xdef\@thefnmark{#1}%
6     \endgroup
7   \fi
8 }
9 \let\@thefnmark\empty
```

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**Note.** If you use an automatic enumeration and produce marker by `\the<counter>` the internal command producing the shape of number have to be *robust*. All standard shaping commands like `\arabic`, `\roman`, etc., are robust. Take it into account if you want design your own shape.

```
\Footnote Finally, we add the handle style footnote commands which are companions to the
\Footnotemark respective standard ones.
\Footnotetext 10 \newcommand*\{\Footnote}[1]{\Footnotemark{#1}\@footnotetext}
               11 \newcommand*\{\Footnotemark}[1]{\NCC@makefnmark{#1}\@footnotemark}
               12 \newcommand*\{\Footnotetext}[1]{\NCC@makefnmark{#1}\@footnotetext}
               13 \{/package}
```