Texinfo modules documentation

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use Texinfo::Commands;
if ($Texinfo::Commands::accent_commands{$a_command}) {
  print STDERR "$a_command is an accent command\n";
}
```

1.3 Texinfo::Commands NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

1.4 Texinfo::Commands DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Commands holds a few hashes with information on @-commands and hashes classifying Texinfo @-commands.

1.5 @-COMMAND INFORMATION

Hashes are defined as `our` variables, and are therefore available outside of the module.

%index_names

> Hash describing the default Texinfo indices. The format of this hash is described in [`Texinfo::Parser::indices_information`], page 15.

1.6 @-COMMAND CLASSES

Hashes are defined as `our` variables, and are therefore available outside of the module.

The key of the hashes are @-command names without the @. The following hashes are available:

%accent_commands

> Accent @-commands taking an argument, like `@'` or `@ringaccent`, including `@dotless` and `@tieaccent`.

%block_commands

> Commands delimiting a block with a closing `@end`. The values are:

> *conditional*

> > `@if*` commands;

> *def*

> > Definition commands like `@deffn`;

> *float*

> > `@float`;

format_raw

        raw output format commands such as `@html` or `@info`;

item_container

        commands with `@item` containing any content, `@itemize` and `@enumerate`;

item_line

        commands like `@table` in which the `@item` argument is on its line;

menu

        menu @-commands, `@menu`, `@detailmenu` and `@direntry`;

math

        Math block commands, like `@displaymath`.

multitable

        `@multitable`;

other

        The remaining block commands.

preformatted

        Commands whose content should not be filled, like `@example` or `@display`.

quotation

        Commands like `@quotation`.

raw

        @-commands that have no expansion of @-commands in their bodies (`@macro`, `@verbatim` and `@ignore`);

region

        Commands delimiting a region of the document out of the main processing: `@titlepage`, `@copying`, `@documentdescription`.

%blockitem_commands

        Block commands containing `@item` with possible content before an `@item`, like `@itemize`, `@table` or `@multitable`.

%brace_code_commands

        Brace commands that have their argument in code style, like `@code`.

%brace_commands

        The commands that take braces. Value is *noarg* for brace commands without argument such as `@AA`, `@TeX`, or `@equiv`. Other values include *accent*, *arguments*, *context* and other values.

%close_paragraph_commands

        Commands that stop a paragraph. Root commands are not specified here, but they also close paragraphs.

%commands_args_number

>Set to the number of arguments separated by commas that may appear in braces or on the @-command line. That means 0 or unset for most block commands, including `@example` which has an unlimited (variadic) number of arguments, 1 for `@quotation`, 2 for `@float`, 1 for most brace commands, 2 for `@email` and `@abbr`, 5 for `@image` and `@ref`.

>Values are not necessarily set for all the commands, as commands are also classified by type of command, some type of commands implying a number of arguments, and the number of arguments may not be set if it corresponds to the default (0 for block commands, 1 for other commands that take arguments).

%contain_basic_inline_commands

>Commands containing simple text only, much like paragraph text, but without `@ref`, `@footnote`, `@titlefont`, `@anchor` nor `@verb`.

%contain_plain_text_commands

>Commands accepting only plain text with accent, symbol and glyph commands.

%def_commands

>Definition commands.

%default_index_commands

>Index entry commands corresponding to default indices. For example `@cindex`.

%explained_commands

>@-commands whose second argument explain first argument and further @-command call without first argument, as `@abbr` and `@acronym`.

%formattable_line_commands

>Line commands which may be formatted as text, but that require constructing some replacement text, for example `@printindex`, `@need` or `@verbatiminclude`. `@contents` and `@shortcontents` are not in this hash, since they are in a corresponding situation only when the tables of contents are formatted where the commands are.

%formatted_nobrace_commands

>Commands not taking brace formatted as text or with text in the main document body, corresponding to symbol commands such as `@@` or `@:` and commands such as `@item`. @-commands appearing only in headers are not in this hash, but in in `%in_heading_spec_commands`.

%formatted_line_commands

>Line commands which arguments may be formatted as text, such as `@center`, `@author`, `@item`, `@node`, `@chapter` and other. Index commands may be formatted as text too, but they may be added with `@def*index`, therefore they are not in that hash. Also, in general, they are not formatted as text where they appear, only when an index is printed.

%heading_spec_commands

>@-commands used to specify custom headings, like `@everyheading`.

%in␣heading␣spec␣commands

> Special @-commands appearing in custom headings, such as `@thischapter`, `@thistitle` or `@|`.

%in␣index␣commands

> @-commands only valid in index entries, such as `@sortas` or `@subentry`.

%inline␣conditional␣commands
%inline␣format␣commands

> Inline conditional commands, like `@inlineifclear`, and inline format commands like `@inlineraw` and `@inlinefmt`.

%letter␣no␣arg␣commands

> @-commands with braces but no argument corresponding to letters, like `@AA{}` or `@ss{}` or `@o{}`.

%math␣commands

> @-commands which contains math, like `@math` or `@displaymath`.

%line␣commands

> Commands that do not take braces, take arguments on the command line and are not block commands either, like `@node`, `@chapter`, `@cindex`, `@deffnx`, `@end`, `@footnotestyle`, `@set`, `@settitle`, `@itemx`, `@definfoenclose`, `@comment` and many others.

> Note that `@item` is in `%line_commands` for its role in `@table` and similar @-commands.

%no␣paragraph␣commands

> Commands that do not start a paragraph.

%nobrace␣commands

> Command that do not take braces, do not have argument on their line and are not block commands either. The value is *symbol* for single character non-alphabetical @-commands such as `@@`, `@ ` or `@:`. Other commands in that hash include `@indent`, `@tab` or `@thissection`.

> Note that `@item` is in `%nobrace_commands` for its role in `@multitable`, `@itemize` and `@enumerate`.

%non␣formatted␣block␣commands

> Block commands not formatted as text, such as `@ignore` or `@macro`.

%preamble␣commands

> @-commands that do not stop the preamble.

%preformatted␣commands
%preformatted␣code␣commands

> *%preformatted␣commands* is for commands whose content should not be filled, like `@example` or `@display`. If the command is meant for code, it is also in *%preformatted␣code␣commands*, like `@example`.

%ref␣commands

> Cross reference @-command referencing nodes, like `@xref` or `@link`.

%root␣commands

>   Commands that are at the root of a Texinfo document, namely `@node` and
>   sectioning commands, except heading commands like `@heading`.

%sectioning␣heading␣commands

>   All the sectioning and heading commands.

%variadic␣commands

>   Commands with unlimited arguments, like `@example`.

1.7 Texinfo::Commands SEE ALSO

Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

1.8 Texinfo::Commands AUTHOR

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2 Texinfo::Common

2.1 Texinfo::Common NAME

Texinfo::Common - Texinfo modules common data and miscellaneous methods

2.2 Texinfo::Common SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Common;


my @commands_to_collect = ('math');
my $collected_commands
  = Texinfo::Common::collect_commands_in_tree($document_root,
                                              \@commands_to_collect);
```

2.3 Texinfo::Common NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

2.4 Texinfo::Common DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Common holds hashes with miscellaneous information and some hashes with information on Texinfo @-commands, as well as miscellaneous methods.

2.5 MISC INFORMATION

Hashes are defined as `our` variables, and are therefore available outside of the module.

TODO: undocumented %null_device_file %default_parser_customization_values %document_settable_multiple_at_commands %document_settable_unique_at_commands %default_converter_command_line_options %default_main_program_customization_options %default_converter_customization @variable_string_settables %document_settable_at_commands %def_map %command_structuring_level %level_to_structuring_command %encoding_name_conversion_map

%texinfo_output_formats

> Cannonical output formats that have associated conditionals. In practice corresponds to `format_raw` %block_commands plus `info` and `plaintext`.

2.6 @-COMMAND INFORMATION

Hashes are defined as `our` variables, and are therefore available outside of the module.

The key of the hashes are @-command names without the @. The following hashes are available:

%all_commands

> All the @-commands.

%def_aliases
%def_no_var_arg_commands

> `%def_aliases` associates an aliased command to the original command, for example `defun` is associated to `deffn`.
>
> `%def_no_var_arg_commands` associates a definition command name with a true value if the *argument* on the definition command line can contain non-metasyntactic variables. For instance, it is true for `deftypevr` but false for `defun`, since `@defun` *argument* is supposed to contain metasyntactic variables only.

%nobrace_symbol_text

> Values are ASCII representation of single character non-alphabetical commands without brace such as `*` or `:`. The value may be an empty string.

%non_formatted_brace_commands

> Brace commands that are not immediately replaced with text, such as `anchor`, `caption`, `errormsg` and others.

%small_block_associated_command

> Associate small command like `smallexample` to the regular command `example`.

2.7 Texinfo::Common METHODS

Two methods are exported in the default case for Texinfo modules messages translation in the Uniforum gettext framework, `__` and `__p`.

The Texinfo tree and Texinfo tree elements used in argument of some functions are documented in Section 3.6 [Texinfo::Parser TEXINFO TREE], page 17. When customization information is needed, an object that defines `set_conf` and/or `get_conf` is expected, for example a converter inheriting from `Texinfo::Convert::Converter`, see Section 13.5.2 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter Getting and setting customization variables], page 60.

$translated_string = __($msgid)
$translated_string = __p($msgctxt, $msgid)

> Returns the *$msgid* string translated in the Texinfo messages text domain. `__p` can be used instead of `__` to pass a *$msgctxt* context string to provide translators with information on the string context when the string is short or if the translation could depend on the context. `__` corresponds to the `gettext` function and `__p` to the `pgettext` function.
>
> It is not advised to use those functions in user-defined code. It is not practical either, as the translatable strings marked by `__` or `__p` need to be collected and added to the Texinfo messages domain. This facility could only be used in user-defined code with translatable strings already present in the domain anyway. In fact, these functions are documented mainly because they are automatically exported.
>
> See `libintl-perl`, gettext C interface (`https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html_node/gettext.html`), Perl in GNU Gettext (`https://www.gnu.org/software/gettext/manual/html_node/Perl.html`). For translation of strings in output, see Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41.

collect_commands_in_tree($tree, $commands_list)

> Returns a hash reference with keys @-commands names specified in the *$commands_list* array reference and values arrays of tree elements corresponding to those @-command found in *$tree* by traversing the tree.

collect_commands_list_in_tree($tree, $commands_list)

> Return a list reference containing the tree elements corresponding to the @-commands names specified in the *$commands_list* found in *$tree* by traversing the tree. The order of the @-commands should be kept.

$encoding_name = element_associated_processing_encoding($element)

> Returns the encoding name that can be used for decoding derived from the encoding that was set where *$element* appeared.

$result = element_is_inline($element, $check_current)

> Return true if the element passed in argument is in running text context. If the optional *$check_current* argument is set, check the element itself, in addition to the parent context.

($encoded_file_name, $encoding) = encode_file_name($file_name, $input_encoding)

> Encode the *$file_name* text string to a binary string *$encoded_file_name* based on *$input_encoding*. Also returns the *$encoding* name actually used which may have undergone some normalization. This function is mostly a wrapper around Section "Encode::encode" in `Encode` which avoids calling the module if not needed. Do nothing if *$input_encoding* is `undef`.

$text = enumerate_item_representation($specification, $number)

> This function returns the number or letter correponding to item number *$number* for an `@enumerate` specification *$specification*, appearing on an `@enumerate` line. For example
>
> ```
> enumerate_item_representation('c', 3)
> ```
>
> is `e`.

$command = find_parent_root_command($object, $tree_element)

> Find the parent root command (sectioning command or node) of a tree element. The *$object* argument is optional, its `global_commands` field is used to continue through `@insertcopying` if in a `@copying`.

$entry_content_element = index_content_element($element, $prefer_reference_element)

> Return a Texinfo tree element corresponding to the content of the index entry associated to *$element*. If *$prefer_reference_element* is set, prefer an untranslated element. If the element is an index command like `@cindex` or an `@ftable` `@item`, the content element is the argument of the command. If the element is a definition line, the index entry element is based on the name and class.

$result = is_content_empty($tree, $do_not_ignore_index_entries)

> Return true if the *$tree* has content that could be formatted. *$do_not_ignore_index_entries* is optional. If set, index entries are considered to be formatted.

$file = locate_include_file($customization_information, file_path)

> Locate *$file_path*. If *$file_path* is an absolute path or has . or .. in the path directories it is checked that the path exists and is a file. Otherwise, the file name in *$file_path* is located in include directories also used to find texinfo files included in Texinfo documents. *$file_path* should be a binary string. `undef` is returned if the file was not found, otherwise the file found is returned as a binary string.

($index_entry, $index_info) = lookup_index_entry($index_entry_info, $indices_information)

> Returns an *$index_entry* hash based on the *$index_entry_info* and *$indices_information*. Also returns the *$index_info* hash with information on the index associated to the index entry. *$index_entry_info* should be an array reference with an index name as first element and the index entry number in that index (1-based) as second element. In general, the *$index_entry_info* is an [`extra` *index_entry*], page 25, associated to an element.
>
> The *$index_entry* hash is described in [Texinfo::Parser index_entries], page 16. The *$index_info* hash is described in L[`Texinfo::Parser::indices_information`], page 15.

move_index_entries_after_items_in_tree($tree)

> In `@enumerate` and `@itemize` from the tree, move index entries appearing just before `@item` after the `@item`. Comment lines between index entries are moved too.

relate_index_entries_to_table_items_in_tree($tree)

> In tables, relate index entries preceding and following an entry with said item. Reference one of them in the entry's `entry_associated_element`.

$normalized_name = normalize_top_node_name($node_string)

> Normalize the node name string given in argument, by normalizing Top node case.

protect_colon_in_tree($tree)
protect_node_after_label_in_tree($tree)

> Protect colon with `protect_colon_in_tree` and characters that are special in node names after a label in menu entries (tab dot and comma) with `protect_node_after_label_in_tree`. The protection is achieved by putting protected characters in `@asis{}`.

protect_comma_in_tree($tree)

> Protect comma characters, replacing , with @comma{} in tree.

$contents_result = protect_first_parenthesis($contents)

> Return a contents array reference with first parenthesis in the contents array reference protected. If *$contents* is undef a fatal error with a backtrace will be emitted.

$level = section_level($section)

> Return numbered level of the tree sectioning element *$section*, as modified by raise/lowersections.

$element = set_global_document_command($customization_information,
$global_commands_information, $cmdname, $command_location)

        Set the Texinfo customization variable corresponding to *$cmdname* in *$customization_information*. The *$global_commands_information* should contain information about global commands in a Texinfo document, typically obtained from a parser [$parser->global_commands_information()], page 15. *$command_location* specifies where in the document the value should be taken from, for commands that may appear more than once. The possibilities are:

        last

                Set to the last value for the command.

        preamble

                Set sequentially to the values in the Texinfo preamble.

        preamble_or_first

                Set to the first value of the command if the first command is not in the Texinfo preamble, else set as with *preamble*, sequentially to the values in the Texinfo preamble.

        The *$element* returned is the last element that was used to set the customization value, or `undef` if no customization value was found.

        Notice that the only effect of this function is to set a customization variable value, no @-command side effects are run, no associated customization variables are set.

$status = set_informative_command_value($customization_information, $element)

        Set the Texinfo customization option corresponding to the tree element *$element*. The command associated to the tree element should be a command that sets some information, such as `@documentlanguage`, `@contents` or `@footnotestyle` for example. Return true if the command argument was found and the customization variable was set.

set_output_encodings($customization_information, $parser_information)

        If not already set, set `OUTPUT_ENCODING_NAME` based on input file encoding. Also set `OUTPUT_PERL_ENCODING` accordingly which is used to output in the correct encoding. In general, `OUTPUT_PERL_ENCODING` should not be set directly by user-defined code such that it corresponds to `OUTPUT_ENCODING_NAME`.

$split_contents = split_custom_heading_command_contents($contents)

        Split the *$contents* array reference at `@|` in at max three parts. Return an array reference containing the split parts. The *$contents* array reference is supposed to be `$element->{'args'}->[0]->{'contents'}` of `%Texinfo::Commands::heading_spec_commands` commands such as `@everyheading`.

trim_spaces_comment_from_content($contents)

        Remove empty spaces after commands or braces at begin and spaces and comments at end from a content array, modifying it.

$status = valid_customization_option($name)

        Return true if the *$name* is a known customization option.

$status = valid_tree_transformation($name)

> Return true if the *$name* is a known tree transformation name that may be passed with `TREE_TRANSFORMATIONS` to modify a texinfo tree.

2.8 Texinfo::Common SEE ALSO

Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12, Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, and Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38.

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3 Texinfo::Parser

3.1 Texinfo::Parser NAME

Texinfo::Parser - Parse Texinfo code into a Perl tree

3.2 Texinfo::Parser SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Parser;
my $parser = Texinfo::Parser::parser();
my $tree = $parser->parse_texi_file("somefile.texi");
# a Texinfo::Report object in which the errors and warnings
# encountered while parsing are registered.
my $registrar = $parser->registered_errors();
my ($errors, $errors_count) = $registrar->errors();
foreach my $error_message (@$errors) {
  warn $error_message->{'error_line'};
}


my $indices_information = $parser->indices_information();
my $float_types_arrays = $parser->floats_information();
my $internal_references_array
  = $parser->internal_references_information();
# $labels_information is an hash reference on normalized node/float/anchor names.
my ($labels_information, $targets_list, $nodes_list) = $parser->labels_information();
# A hash reference, keys are @-command names, value is an
# array reference holding all the corresponding @-commands.
my $global_commands_information = $parser->global_commands_information();
# a hash reference on document information (encodings,
# input file name, dircategory and direntry list, for example).
my $global_information = $parser->global_information();
```

3.3 Texinfo::Parser NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

3.4 Texinfo::Parser DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Parser` will parse Texinfo text into a Perl tree. In one pass it expands user-defined @-commands, conditionals (`@ifset`, `@ifinfo`...) and `@value` and constructs the tree. Some extra information is gathered while doing the tree: for example, the `@quotation` associated to an `@author` command, the number of columns in a multitable, or the node associated with a section.

3.5 Texinfo::Parser METHODS

No method is exported in the default case. The module allows both an object-oriented syntax, or traditional function, with the parser as an opaque data structure given as an argument to every function.

3.5.1 Initialization

The following method is used to construct a new `Texinfo::Parser` object:

$parser = Texinfo::Parser::parser($options);

> This method creates a new parser. The options may be provided as a hash reference. Most of those options correspond to Texinfo customization options described in the Texinfo manual.

> CPP_LINE_DIRECTIVES
>> Handle cpp like synchronization lines if set. Set in the default case.

> EXPANDED_FORMATS
>> An array reference of the output formats for which `@if`*FORMAT* conditional blocks should be expanded. Default is empty.

> FORMAT_MENU
>> Possible values are `nomenu`, `menu` and `sectiontoc`. Only report menu-related errors for `menu`.

> INCLUDE_DIRECTORIES
>> An array reference of directories in which `@include` files should be searched for. Default contains the working directory, ..

> IGNORE_SPACE_AFTER_BRACED_COMMAND_NAME
>> If set, spaces after an @-command name that take braces are ignored. Default on.

> MAX_MACRO_CALL_NESTING
>> Maximal number of nested user-defined macro calls. Default is 100000.

> documentlanguage
>> A string corresponding to a document language set by `@documentlanguage`. It overrides the document `@documentlanguage` information, if present.

> registrar
>> Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, object reused by the parser to register errors.

> values
>> A hash reference. Keys are names, values are the corresponding values. Same as values set by `@set`.

3.5.2 Parsing Texinfo text

Different methods may be called to parse some Texinfo code: `parse_texi_line` for a line, `parse_texi_piece` for a fragment of Texinfo, `parse_texi_text` for a string corresponding to a full document and `parse_texi_file` for a file.

For all those functions, if the *$parser* argument is undef, a new parser object is generated to parse the line. Otherwise the parser given as an argument is used to parse into a tree.

When `parse_texi_line` is used, the resulting tree is rooted at a `root_line` type container. Otherwise, the resulting tree should be rooted at a `document_root` type container.

$tree = parse_texi_line($parser, $text, $first_line_number)
> This function is used to parse a short fragment of Texinfo code.
>
> *$text* is the string containing the texinfo line. *$first_line_number* is the line number of the line, if undef, it will be set to 1.

$tree = parse_texi_piece($parser, $text, $first_line_number)
> This function is used to parse Texinfo fragments.
>
> *$text* is the string containing the texinfo text. *$first_line_number* is the line number of the first text line, if undef, it will be set to 1.

$tree = parse_texi_text($parser, $text, $first_line_number)
> This function is used to parse a text as a whole document.
>
> *$text* is the string containing the texinfo text. *$first_line_number* is the line number of the first text line, if undef, it will be set to 1.

$tree = parse_texi_file($parser, $file_name)
> The file with name *$file_name* is considered to be a Texinfo file and is parsed into a tree. *$file_name* should be a binary string.
>
> undef is returned if the file couldn't be read.

The errors collected during the tree parsing are registered in a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, object. This object is available with `registered_errors`. The errors registered in the `Texinfo::Report` object are available through the `errors` method. This method is described in [Texinfo::Report::errors], page 39.

$registrar = registered_errors($parser)
> *$registrar* is a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, object in which the errors and warnings encountered while parsing are registered. If a *registrar* is passed to the parser initialization options, it is reused, otherwise a new one is created.

3.5.3 Getting information on the document

After parsing some information about the Texinfo code that was processed is available from the parser.

Some global information is available through `global_information`:

$info = global_information($parser)
> The *$info* returned is a hash reference. The possible keys are
>
> dircategory_direntry
>> An array of successive `@dircategory` and `@direntry` as they appear in the document.

input_encoding_name
input_perl_encoding

> `input_encoding_name` string is the encoding name used for the Texinfo code. `input_perl_encoding` string is a corresponding Perl encoding name.

input_file_name
input_directory

> The name of the main Texinfo input file and the associated directory. Binary strings. In `texi2any`, they should come from the command line (and can be decoded with the encoding in the customization variable `COMMAND_LINE_ENCODING`).

Some command lists are available, such that it is possible to go through the corresponding tree elements without walking the tree. They are available through `global_commands_information`:

$commands = global_commands_information($parser)

> *$commands* is an hash reference. The keys are @-command names. The associated values are array references containing all the corresponding tree elements.

All the @-commands that have an associated label (so can be the target of cross references) – `@node`, `@anchor` and `@float` with label – have a normalized name associated, constructed as described in the *HTML Xref* node in the Texinfo documentation. Those normalized labels and the association with @-commands is available through `labels_information`:

$labels_information, $targets_list, $nodes_list = labels_information($parser)

> *$labels_information* is a hash reference whose keys are normalized labels, and the associated value is the corresponding @-command. *$targets_list* is a list of labels @-command. Using *$labels_information* is preferred. *$nodes_list* is a list of all the nodes appearing in the document.

Information on `@float` is also available, grouped by type of floats, each type corresponding to potential `@listoffloats`. This information is available through the method `floats_information`.

$float_types = floats_information($parser)

> *$float_types* is a hash reference whose keys are normalized float types (the first float argument, or the `@listoffloats` argument). The normalization is the same as for the first step of node names normalization. The value is the list of float tree elements appearing in the texinfo document.

Internal references, that is, @-commands that refer to node, anchors or floats within the document are also available:

$internal_references_array = internal_references_information($parser)

> The function returns a list of cross-reference commands referring to the same document.

Information about defined indices, merged indices and index entries is also available through the `indices_information` method.

$indices_information = $parser->indices_information()

> *$indices_information* is a hash reference. The keys are

in_code

> 1 if the index entries should be formatted as code, 0 in the opposite case.

name

> The index name.

prefix

> An array reference of prefix associated to the index.

merged_in

> In case the index is merged to another index, this key holds the name of the index the index is merged into. It takes into account indirectly merged indices.

contained_indices

> An hash reference holding names of indices that are merged into the index, including itself. It also contains indirectly merged indices. This key is removed if the index is itself later merged to another index.

index_entries

> An array reference containing index entry structures for index entries associated with the index. The index entry could be associated to @-commands like `@cindex`, or `@item` in `@vtable`, or definition commands entries like `@deffn`.
>
> The keys of the index entry structures are
>
> index_name
>
> > The index name associated to the command. Not modified if the corresponding index is merged in another index (with `@synindex`, for example).
>
> entry_element
>
> > The element in the parsed tree associated with the @-command holding the index entry.
>
> entry_number
>
> > The number of the index entry.

The following shows the references corresponding to the default indexes *cp* and *fn*, the *fn* index having its entries formatted as code and the indices corresponding to the following texinfo

```
@defindex some
@defcodeindex code


$index_names = {'cp' => {'name' => 'cp', 'in_code' => 0, },
                'fn' => {'name' => 'fn', 'in_code' => 1, },
                'some' => {'in_code' => 0},
                'code' => {'in_code' => 1}};
```

If `name` is not set, it is set to the index name.

3.6 TEXINFO TREE

A Texinfo tree element (called element because node is overloaded in the Texinfo world) is an hash reference. There are three main categories of tree element. Tree elements associated with an @-command have a `cmdname` key holding the @-command name. Tree elements corresponding to text fragments have a `text` key holding the corresponding text. Finally, the last category is other elements, which in most cases have a `type` key holding their name. Text fragments and @-command elements may also have an associated type when such information is needed.

The children of an @-command or of other container element are in the array referred to with the `args` key or with the `contents` key. The `args` key is for arguments of @-commands, either in braces or on the rest of the line after the command, depending on the type of command. The `contents` key array holds the contents of the texinfo code appearing within a block @-command, within a container, or within a `@node` or sectioning @-command.

Another important key for the elements is the `extra` key which is associated to a hash reference and holds all kinds of information that is gathered during the parsing and may help with the conversion.

You can see examples of the tree structure by running makeinfo like this:

```
makeinfo -c DUMP_TREE=1 -c TEXINFO_OUTPUT_FORMAT=parse document.texi
```

For a simpler, more regular representation of the tree structure, you can do:

```
makeinfo -c TEXINFO_OUTPUT_FORMAT=debugtree document.texi
```

3.6.1 Element keys

cmdname

　　The command name of @-command elements.

text

　　The text fragment of text elements.

type

　　The type of element considered, in general a container. Frequent types encountered are *paragraph* for a paragraph container, *brace_command_arg* for the container holding the brace @-commands contents, *line_arg* and *block_line_arg* contain the arguments appearing on the line of @-commands. Text fragments may have a type to give an information of the kind of text fragment, for example *spaces_before_paragraph* is associated to spaces appearing before a paragraph beginning. Most @-commands elements do not have a type associated.

args

　　Arguments in braces or on @-command line. An array reference.

contents

　　The Texinfo appearing in the element. For block commands, other containers, `@node` and sectioning commands. An array reference.

parent

　　The parent element.

source_info

        An hash reference corresponding to information on the location of the element in the Texinfo input manual. It should mainly be available for @-command elements, and only for @-commands that are considered to be complex enough that the location in the document is needed, for example to prepare an error message.

        The keys of the line number hash references are

        line_nr

                The line number of the @-command.

        file_name

                The file name where @-command appeared.

        macro

                The user macro name the @-command is expanded from.

info

        A hash reference holding any other information that cannot be obtained otherwise from the tree. See Section 3.6.3 [Information available in the `info` key], page 24.

extra

        A hash reference holding information that could also be obtained from the tree, but is directly associated to the element to simplify downstream code. See Section 3.6.4 [Information available in the `extra` key], page 24.

3.6.2 Element types

3.6.2.1 Types for command elements

Some types can be associated with @-commands (in addition to `cmdname`), although usually there will be no type at all. The following are the possible values of `type` for tree elements for @-commands.

command_as_argument

        This is the type of a command given in argument of `@itemize`, `@table`, `@vtable` or `@ftable`. For example in

```
@itemize @bullet
@item item
@end itemize
```

        the element corresponding with bullet has the following keys:

```
  'cmdname' => 'bullet'
  'type' => 'command_as_argument'
```

        The parent @-command has an entry in `extra` for the *command_as_argument* element:

```
  'cmdname' => 'itemize'
  'extra' => {'command_as_argument' => $command_element_as_argument}
```

def_line

> This type may be associated with a definition command with a x form, like
> `@defunx`, `@defvrx`. For the form without x, the associated *def_line* is the first
> `contents` element. It is described in more details below.

definfoenclose_command

> This type is set for an @-command that is redefined by `@definfoenclose`. The
> beginning is in `{'extra'}->{'begin'}` and the end in `{'extra'}->{'end'}`.

index_entry_command

> This is the type of index entry command like `@cindex`, and, more importantly
> user-defined index entry commands. So for example if there is:

> ```
>  @defindex foo
> 
>   ...
> 
> 
>  @fooindex index entry
> ```

> the `@fooindex` @-command element will have the *index_entry_command* type.

3.6.2.2 Types for text elements

The text elements may have the following types (or may have no type at all):

after_menu_description_line
space_at_end_menu_node

> Space after a node in the menu entry, when there is no description, and space
> appearing after the description line.

empty_line

> An empty line (possibly containing whitespace characters only).

ignorable_spaces_after_command

> spaces appearing after an @-command without braces that does not take takes
> argument on the line, but which is followed by ignorable spaces, such as `@item`
> in `@itemize` or `@multitable`, or `@noindent`.

spaces_after_close_brace

> Spaces appearing after a closing brace, for some rare commands for which this
> space should be ignorable (like `@caption` or `@sortas`).

spaces_before_paragraph

> Space appearing before a paragraph beginning.

raw

> Text in an environment where it should be kept as is (in `@verbatim`, `@verb`,
> `@macro` body).

rawline_arg

> Used for the arguments to some special line commands whose arguments
> aren't subject to the usual macro expansion. For example `@set`, `@clickstyle`,
> `@unmacro`, `@comment`. The argument is associated to the *text* key.

spaces_at_end

> Space within an index @-command before an @-command interrupting the index
> command.

text_after_end
> Text appearing after @bye.

text_before_beginning
> Text appearing before real content, including the `\input texinfo.tex`.

untranslated
> English text added by the parser that may need to be translated during conversion. Happens for `@def*` @-commands aliases that leads to prepending text such as 'Function'.

3.6.2.3 Tree container elements

Some types of element are containers of portions of the tree, either for the whole tree, or for contents appearing before `@node` and sectioning commands.

before_node_section
> Content before nodes and sectioning commands at the beginning of `document_root`.

document_root
root_line
> `root_line` is the type of the root tree when parsing Texinfo line fragments using `parse_texi_line`. `document_root` is the document root otherwise.
>
> `document_root` first content should be `before_node_section`, then nodes and sections @-commands elements, `@bye` element and `postamble_after_end`.

postamble_after_end
> This container holds everything appearing after @bye.

preamble_before_beginning
> This container holds everything appearing before the first content, including the `\input texinfo.tex` line and following blank lines.

preamble_before_setfilename
> This container holds everything that appears before `@setfilename`.

preamble_before_content
> This container holds everything appearing before the first formatted content, corresponding to the *preamble* in the Texinfo documentation.

3.6.2.4 Types of container elements

The other types of element are containers with other elements appearing in their `contents`. The `paragraph` container holds normal text from the Texinfo manual outside of any @-commands, and within @-commands with blocks of text (`@footnote`, `@itemize @item`, `@quotation` for example). The `preformatted` container holds the content appearing in @-commands like `@example` and the `rawpreformatted` container holds the content appearing in format commands such as `@html`. The other containers are more specific.

The types of container element are the following:

balanced_braces
> Special type containing balanced braces content (braces included) in the context where they are valid, and where balanced braces need to be collected to know

when a top-level brace command is closed. In `@math`, in raw output format brace commands and within brace @-commands in raw output format block commands.

before_item

A container for content before the first `@item` of block @-commands with items (`@table`, `@multitable`, `@enumerate`...).

brace_command_arg
brace_command_context
line_arg

block_line_arg
following_arg

Those containers occur within the `args` array of @-commands taking an argument. *brace_command_arg* is used for the arguments to commands taking arguments surrounded by braces (and in some cases separated by commas). *brace_command_context* is used for @-commands with braces that start a new context (`@footnote`, `@caption`, `@math`).

line_arg is used for commands that take the texinfo code on the rest of the line as their argument, such as `@settitle`, `@node`, `@section`. *block_line_arg* is similar but is used for commands that start a new block (which is to be ended with `@end`).

following_arg is used for the accent @-commands argument that did not use braces but instead followed the @-command, possibly after a space, as

```
@~n
@ringaccent A
```

For example

```
@code{in code}
```

leads to

```
{'cmdname' => 'code',
  'args' => [{'type' => 'brace_command_arg',
              'contents' => [{'text' => 'in code'}]}]}
```

As an exception, `@value` flag argument is directly in the *args* array reference, not in a *brace_command_arg* container. Note that only `@value` commands that are not expanded because there is no corresponding value set are present as elements in the tree.

bracketed_arg

Bracketed argument. On definition command and on `@multitable` line.

bracketed_linemacro_arg

Argument of a user defined linemacro call in bracket. It holds directly the argument text (which does not contain the braces) and does not contain other elements. It should not appear directly in the tree as the user defined linemacro call is replaced by the linemacro body.

def_aggregate

Contains several elements that together are a single unit on a @def* line.

def_line

def_item

inter_def_item

> The *def_line* type is either associated with a container within a definition command, or is the type of a definition command with a x form, like `@deffnx`, or `@defline`. It holds the definition line arguments. The container with type *def_item* holds the definition text content. Content appearing before a definition command with a x form is in an *inter_def_item* container.

macro_call

rmacro_call
linemacro_call

> Container holding the arguments of a user defined macro, linemacro or rmacro. It should not appear directly in the tree as the user defined call is expanded. The name of the macro, rmacro or linemacro is the the info *command_name* value.

macro_name
macro_arg

> Taken from `@macro` definition and put in the `args` key array of the macro, *macro_name* is the type of the text fragment corresponding to the macro name, *macro_arg* is the type of the text fragments corresponding to macro formal arguments.

menu_comment

> The *menu_comment* container holds what is between menu entries in menus. For example, in:
>
> ```
> @menu
> Menu title
>
> * entry::
>
> Between entries
> * other::
> @end menu
> ```
>
> Both
>
> ```
> Menu title
> ```
>
> and
>
> ```
> Between entries
> ```
>
> will be in a *menu_comment*.

menu_entry
menu_entry_leading_text
menu_entry_name
menu_entry_separator
menu_entry_node
menu_entry_description

> A *menu_entry* holds a full menu entry, like
>
>   * node::   description.
>
> The different elements of the menu entry are in the *menu_entry* `contents` array
> reference.
>
> *menu_entry_leading_text* holds the star and following spaces. *menu_entry_name*
> is the menu entry name (if present), *menu_entry_node* corresponds to the node
> in the menu entry, *menu_entry_separator* holds the text after the node and
> before the description, in most cases :: . Lastly, *menu_entry_description* is for
> the description.

multitable_head
multitable_body
row

> In `@multitable`, a *multitable_head* container contains all the rows with
> `@headitem`, while *multitable_body* contains the rows associated with `@item`. A
> *row* container contains the `@item` and `@tab` forming a row.

paragraph

> A paragraph. The `contents` of a paragraph (like other container elements for
> Texinfo content) are elements representing the contents of the paragraph in
> the order they occur, such as text elements without a `cmdname` or `type`, or
> @-command elements for commands appearing in the paragraph.

preformatted

> Texinfo code within a format that is not filled. Happens within some block
> commands like `@example`, but also in menu (in menu descriptions, menu com-
> ments...).

rawpreformatted

> Texinfo code within raw output format block commands such as `@tex` or `@html`.

table_entry
table_term
table_definition
inter_item

> Those containers appear in `@table`, `@ftable` and `@vtable`. A *table_entry* con-
> tainer contains an entire row of the table. It contains a *table_term* container,
> which holds all the `@item` and `@itemx` lines. This is followed by a *table_definition*
> container, which holds the content that is to go into the second column of the
> table.
>
> If there is any content before an `@itemx` (normally only comments, empty lines
> or maybe index entries are allowed), it will be in a container with type *inter_item*
> at the same level of `@item` and `@itemx`, in a *table_term*.

3.6.3 Information available in the `info` key

arg_line

>   The string correspond to the line after the @-command for @-commands that
>   have special arguments on their line, and for `@macro` line.

command_name

>   The name of the user defined macro, rmacro or linemacro called associated with
>   the element holding the arguments of the user defined command call.

delimiter

>   `@verb` delimiter is in *delimiter*.

spaces_after_argument

>   A reference to an element containing the spaces after @-command arguments
>   before a comma, a closing brace or at end of line, for some @-commands and
>   bracketed content type with opening brace, and line commands and block com-
>   mand lines taking Texinfo as argument and comma delimited arguments. De-
>   pending on the @-command, the *spaces_after_argument* is associated with the
>   @-command element, or with each argument element.

spaces_after_cmd_before_arg

>   For accent commands with spaces following the @-command, like:
>
>    ```
>     @ringaccent A
>     @^ u
>    ```
>
>   there is a *spaces_after_cmd_before_arg* key linking to an element containing the
>   spaces appearing after the command in *text*.
>
>   Space between a brace @-command name and its opening brace also ends up
>   in *spaces_after_cmd_before_arg*. It is not recommended to leave space between
>   an @-command name and its opening brace.

spaces_before_argument

>   A reference to an element containing the spaces following the opening brace of
>   some @-commands with braces and bracketed content type, spaces following @-
>   commands for line commands and block command taking Texinfo as argument,
>   and spaces following comma delimited arguments. For context brace commands,
>   line commands and block commands, *spaces_before_argument* is associated with
>   the @-command element, for other brace commands and for spaces after comma,
>   it is associated with each argument element.

3.6.4 Information available in the `extra` key

3.6.4.1 Extra keys available for more than one @-command

element_node

>   The node element in the parsed tree containing the element. Set for
>   @-commands elements that have an associated index entry and for
>   `@nodedescription`.

element_region

>   The region command (`@copying`, `@titlepage`) containing the element, if it is in
>   such an environement. Set for @-commands elements that have an associated
>   index entry and for @anchor.

index_entry

>   The index entry information is associated to @-commands that have an associ-
>   ated index entry. The associated information should not be directly accessed,
>   instead [`Texinfo::Common::lookup_index_entry`], page 9, should be called
>   on the *extra* *index_entry* value. The *$indices_information* is the information
>   on a Texinfo manual indices obtained from [`Texinfo::Parser::indices_`
>   `information`], page 15. The index entry information hash returned by
>   `Texinfo::Common::lookup_index_entry` is described in [index_entries],
>   page 16.
>
>   Currently, the *index_entry* value is an array reference with an index name as
>   first element and the index entry number in that index (1-based) as second
>   element.

index_ignore_chars

>   A string containing the characters flagged as ignored in key sorting in the
>   document by setting flags such as *txiindexbackslashignore*. Set, if not empty,
>   for @-commands elements that have an associated index entry.

misc_args

>   An array holding strings, the arguments of @-commands taking simple textual
>   arguments as arguments, like `@everyheadingmarks`, `@frenchspacing`, `@alias`,
>   `@synindex`, `@columnfractions`.

missing_argument

>   Set for some @-commands with line arguments and a missing argument.

text_arg

>   The string correspond to the line after the @-command for @-commands that
>   have an argument interpreted as simple text, like `@setfilename`, `@end` or
>   `@documentencoding`.

3.6.4.2 Extra keys specific of certain @-commands or containers

`@abbr`

`@acronym`

>   The first argument normalized is in *normalized*.

`@anchor`

`@float`

>   @-commands that are targets for cross-references have a *normalized* key for
>   the normalized label, built as specified in the Texinfo documentation in the
>   *HTML Xref* node. There is also a *node_content* key for an array holding the
>   corresponding content.

@author

> If in a `@titlepage`, the titlepage is in *titlepage*, if in `@quotation` or `@smallquotation`, the corresponding tree element is in *quotation*.
>
> The author tree element is in the *authors* array of the `@titlepage` or the `@quotation` or `@smallquotation` it is associated with.

@click

> In *clickstyle* there is the current clickstyle command.

definition command

> *def_command* holds the command name, without x if it is an x form of a definition command. *original_def_cmdname* is the original def command.
>
> If it is an x form, it has *not_after_command* set if not appearing after the definition command without x.

def_line

> For each element in a `def_line`, the key *def_role* holds a string describing the meaning of the element. It is one of *category*, *name*, *class*, *type*, *arg*, *typearg*, *spaces* or *delimiter*, depending on the definition.
>
> The *def_index_element* is a Texinfo tree element corresponding to the index entry associated to the definition line, based on the name and class. If needed this element is based on translated strings. In that case, if `@documentlanguage` is defined where the `def_line` is located, *documentlanguage* holds the documentlanguage value. *def_index_ref_element* is similar, but not translated, and only set if there could have been a translation.
>
> The *omit_def_name_space* key value is set and true if the Texinfo variable `txidefnamenospace` was set for the `def_line`, signaling that the space between function definition name and arguments should be omitted.

@definfoenclose defined commands

> *begin* holds the string beginning the `@definfoenclose`, *end* holds the string ending the `@definfoenclose`.

@documentencoding

> The argument, normalized is in *input_encoding_name*.

@enumerate

> The *enumerate_specification* `extra` key contains the enumerate argument.

@float

@listoffloats

> If `@float` has a first argument, and for `@listoffloats` argument there is a *float_type* key with the normalized float type.
>
> *caption* and *shortcaption* hold the corresponding tree elements associated to a `@float`. The `@caption` or `@shortcaption` have the float tree element stored in *float*.

index entry @-command
`@subentry`

> If an index entry @-command, such as `@cindex`, or a `@subentry` contains a
> `@sortas` command, *sortas* holds the `@sortas` command content formatted as
> plain text.
>
> *subentry* links to the next level `@subentry` element.
>
> Index entry @-command (but not `@subentry`) can also have *seentry* and *seealso*
> keys that link to the corresponding @-commands elements.

`@inlinefmt`
`@inlineraw`
`@inlinefmtifelse`
`@inlineifclear`
`@inlineifset`

> The first argument is in *format*. If an argument has been determined as being
> expanded by the Parser, the index of this argument is in *expand_index*. Index
> numbering begins at 0, but the first argument is always the format or flag name,
> so, if set, it should be 1 or 2 for `@inlinefmtifelse`, and 1 for other commands.

`@item` in `@enumerate` or `@itemize`
> The *item_number* `extra` key holds the number of this item.

`@item` and `@tab` in `@multitable`
> The *cell_number* index key holds the index of the column of the cell.

`@itemize`

`@table`

`@vtable`

`@ftable`

> The *command_as_argument* `extra` key points to the @-command on as argu-
> ment on the @-command line.
>
> If the command in argument for `@table`, `@vtable` or `@ftable` is `@kbd` and the
> context and `@kbdinputstyle` is such that `@kbd` should be formatted as code,
> the *command_as_argument_kbd_code* `extra` key is set to 1.

`@kbd`

> *code* is set depending on the context and `@kbdinputstyle`.

`@macro`

> *invalid_syntax* is set if there was an error on the `@macro` line. `info` key hash
> *arg_line* holds the line after `@macro`.

`menu_entry_node`

> Extra keys with information about the node entry label same as those ap-
> pearing in the `@node` *line_arg* explicit directions arguments `extra` hash labels
> information.

`@multitable`

> The key *max_columns* holds the maximal number of columns. If there is a `@columnfractions` as argument, then the *columnfractions* key is associated with the element for the @columnfractions command.

`@node`

> Explicit directions labels information is in the *line_arg* arguments `extra` node direction `@node` arguments. They consist in a hash with the *node_content* key for an array holding the corresponding content, a *manual_content* key if there is an associated external manual name, and a *normalized* key for the normalized label, built as specified in the *HTML Xref* Texinfo documentation node.
>
> An *associated_section* key holds the tree element of the sectioning command that follows the node. An *node_preceding_part* key holds the tree element of the `@part` that precedes the node, if there is no sectioning command between the `@part` and the node. A *node_description* key holds the first `@nodedescription` associated to the node.
>
> A node containing a menu have a *menus* key which refers to an array of references to menu elements occuring in the node.
>
> The first node containing a `@printindex` @-command has the *isindex* key set.

`paragraph`

> The *indent* or *noindent* key value is set if the corresponding @-commands are associated with that paragraph.

`@part`

> The next sectioning command tree element is in *part_associated_section*. The following node tree element is in *part_following_node* if there is no sectioning command between the `@part` and the node.

`@ref`

`@xref`

`@pxref`

`@inforef`

> The node argument *brace_command_arg* holds information on the label, like the one appearing in the `@node` *line_arg* explicit directions arguments `extra` hash labels information.

`row`

> The *row_number* index key holds the index of the row in the `@multitable`.

sectioning command

> The node preceding the command is in *associated_node*. The part preceding the command is in *associated_part*. If the level of the document was modified by `@raisections` or `@lowersections`, the differential level is in *sections_level*.

`untranslated`

> *documentlanguage* holds the `@documentlanguage` value. If there is a translation context, it should be in *translation_context*.

3.7 Texinfo::Parser SEE ALSO

Texinfo manual (`http://www.gnu.org/software/texinfo/manual/texinfo/`).

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4 Texinfo::Structuring

4.1 Texinfo::Structuring NAME

Texinfo::Structuring - information on Texinfo::Parser tree

4.2 Texinfo::Structuring SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Structuring qw(sectioning_structure nodes_tree number_floats
  associate_internal_references split_by_node split_by_section split_pages
  merge_indices sort_indices elements_directions elements_file_directions);

# $tree is a Texinfo document tree.  $parser is a Texinfo::Parser object.
# $config is an object implementing the get_conf() method.
my $registrar = $parser->registered_errors();
my $sections_root = sectioning_structure ($registrar, $config, $tree);
my ($labels, $targets_list, $nodes_list) = $parser->labels_information();
my $parser_information = $parser->global_information();
my $global_commands = $parser->global_commands_information();
set_menus_node_directions($registrar, $config, $parser_information,
                          $global_commands, $nodes_list, $labels);
my $top_node = nodes_tree($registrar, $config, $parser_information,
                          $nodes_list, $labels);
complete_node_tree_with_menus($registrar, $config, $nodes_list, $top_node);
my $refs = $parser->internal_references_information();
check_nodes_are_referenced($registrar, $config, $nodes_list, $top_node,
                           $labels, $refs);
associate_internal_references($registrar, $parser, $parser_information,
                              $labels, $refs);
number_floats($parser->floats_information());
my $tree_units;
if ($split_at_nodes) {
  $tree_units = split_by_node($tree);
} else {
  $tree_units = split_by_section($tree);
}
split_pages($tree_units, $split);
elements_directions($config, $labels, $tree_units);
elements_file_directions($tree_units);

my $indices_information = $parser->indices_information();
my $merged_index_entries
   = merge_indices($indices_information);
my $index_entries_sorted;
if ($sort_by_letter) {
  $index_entries_sorted = sort_indices($registrar, $config,
                             $merged_index_entries, $indices_information,
```

```
                                'by_letter');
} else {
  $index_entries_sorted = sort_indices($registrar, $config,
                                       $merged_index_entries,
                                       $indices_information);
}
```

4.3 Texinfo::Structuring NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

4.4 Texinfo::Structuring DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Structuring first allows to collect information on a Texinfo tree. In most case, it also requires information from a parser object to do that job. Thanks to `sectioning_structure` the hierarchy of sectioning commands is determined. The directions implied by menus are determined with `set_menus_node_directions`. The node tree is analysed with `nodes_tree`. Nodes directions are completed with menu directions with `complete_node_tree_with_menus`. Floats get their standard numbering with `number_floats` and internal references are matched up with nodes, floats or anchors with `associate_internal_references`.

The following methods depend on the output format, so are usually called from converters.

It is also possible to associate top-level contents of the tree, which consist in nodes and sectioning commands with tree unit elements that group together a node and the next sectioning element. With `split_by_node` nodes are considered to be the main sectioning elements, while with `split_by_section` the sectioning command elements are the main elements. The first mode is typical of Info format, while the second corresponds to a traditional book. The elements may be further split in *pages*, which are not pages as in book pages, but more like web pages, and hold series of tree unit elements.

The elements may have directions to other elements prepared by `elements_directions`. `elements_file_directions` should also set direction related to files, provided files are associated with elements by the user.

`merge_indices` may be used to merge indices, which may be sorted with `sort_indices`.

4.5 Texinfo::Structuring METHODS

No method is exported in the default case.

Most methods takes a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, `$registrar` as argument for error reporting. Most also require Texinfo customization variables information, which means an object implementing the `get_conf` method, in practice the main program configuration or a converter (Section 13.5.2 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter Getting and setting customization variables], page 60). Other common input arguments such as parser information, labels or refs are obtained from a parser, see Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

associate_internal_references($registrar, $customization_information, $parser_information, $labels, $refs)

> Verify that internal references (`@ref` and similar without fourth of fifth argument and menu entries) have an associated node, anchor or float. Set the `normalized` key in the `extra` hash `menu_entry_node` hash for menu entries and in the first argument `extra` hash for internal references `@ref` and similar @-commands. Register errors in *$registrar*.

check_nodes_are_referenced($registrar, $customization_information, $nodes_list, $top_node, $labels, $refs)

> Check that all the nodes are referenced (in menu, @*ref or node direction). Register errors in *$registrar*.

> Should be called after `complete_node_tree_with_menus` in order to have the autogenerated menus available.

complete_node_tree_with_menus($registrar, $customization_information, $nodes_list, $top_node)

> Complete nodes directions with menu directions. Check consistency of menus, sectionning and nodes direction structures. Register errors in *$registrar*.

elements_directions($customization_information, $labels, $tree_units)

> Directions are set up for the tree unit elements in the array reference *$tree_units* given in argument. The corresponding hash is in `{'structure'}->{'directions'}` and keys correspond to directions while values are elements.

> The following directions are set up:

> This

>> The element itself.

> Forward

>> Element next.

> Back

>> Previous element.

> NodeForward

>> Following node element in reading order. It is the next node, or the first in menu or the next of the up node.

> NodeBack

>> Preceding node element.

> NodeUp

> NodeNext

> NodePrev

>> The up, next and previous node elements.

> Up

> Next

Prev

The up, next and previous section elements.

FastBack

For top level elements, the previous top level element. For other elements the up top level element. For example, for a chapter element it is the previous chapter, for a subsection element it is the chapter element that contains the subsection.

FastForward

The next top level section element.

elements_file_directions($tree_units)

In the directions reference described above for `elements_directions`, sets the *PrevFile* and *NextFile* directions to the elements in previous and following files.

It also sets *FirstInFile** directions for all the elements by using the directions of the first element in file. So, for example, *FirstInFileNodeNext* is the next node of the first element in the file of each element.

The API for association of pages/elements to files is not defined yet.

@nodes_list = get_node_node_childs_from_sectioning($node)

$node is a node tree element. Find the node *$node* children based on the sectioning structure. For the node associated with `@top` sectioning command, the sections associated with parts are considered.

$entry_key = index_entry_sort_string($main_entry, $entry_tree_element, $sortas, $options)

Return a string suitable as a sort string, for index entries. The index entry processed is *$entry_tree_element*, and can be a `@subentry`. *$main_entry* is the main index entry tree element that can be used to gather information. *$sortas* can be given to override the sort string (typically obtained from `@sortas`). The *$options* are options used for Texinfo to text conversion for the generation of the sort string, typically obtained from [setup_index_entry_keys_formatting], page 35.

$merged_entries = merge_indices($indices_information)

Using information returned by [`Texinfo::Parser::indices_information`], page 15, a structure holding all the index entries by index name is returned, with all the entries of merged indices merged with those of the indice merged into.

The *$merged_entries* returned is a hash reference whose keys are the index names and values arrays of index entry structures described in details in [Texinfo::Parser index_entries], page 16.

$new_block = new_block_command($content, $parent, $command_name)

Returns the texinfo tree corresponding to a block command named *$command_name* with contents *$content* and parent in tree *$parent*.

$new_menu = new_complete_node_menu($node, $use_sections)

Returns a texinfo tree menu for node *$node*, pointing to the children of the node obtained with the sectioning structure. If *$use_sections* is set, use section names for the menu entry names.

$detailmenu = new_master_menu($translations, $labels, $menus)

> Returns a detailmenu tree element formatted as a master node. *$translations*, if defined, should be a Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41, object and should also hold customization information. *$menus* is an array reference containing the regular menus of the Top node.

$entry = new_node_menu_entry($node, $use_sections)

> Returns the texinfo tree corresponding to a single menu entry pointing to *$node*. If *$use_sections* is set, use the section name for the menu entry name. Returns `undef` if the node argument is missing.

$top_node = nodes_tree($registrar, $customization_information, $parser_information, $nodes_list, $labels)

> Goes through nodes and set directions. Returns the top node. Register errors in *$registrar*.

> This functions sets, in the `structure` node element hash:

> node_up

> node_prev

> node_next

>> Up, next and previous directions for the node.

number_floats($float_information)

> Number the floats as described in the Texinfo manual. Sets the *number* key in the `structure` hash of the float tree elements.

$command_name = section_level_adjusted_command_name($element)

> Return the sectioning command name corresponding to the sectioning element *$element*, adjusted in order to take into account raised and lowered sections, when needed.

$sections_root, $sections_list = sectioning_structure($registrar, $customization_information, $tree)

> This function goes through the tree and gather information on the document structure for sectioning commands. It returns *$sections_root* the root of the sectioning commands tree and a reference on the sections elements list. Errors are registered in *$registrar*.

> It sets section elements `structure` hash values:

> section_level

>> The level in the sectioning tree hierarchy. 0 is for `@top` or `@part`, 1 for `@chapter`, `@appendix`... This level is corrected by `@raisesections` and `@lowersections`.

> section_number

>> The sectioning element number.

> section_childs

>> An array holding sectioning elements children of the element.

> section_up

> section_prev
> section_next
>> The up, previous and next sectioning elements.
>
> toplevel_next
> toplevel_prev
> toplevel_up
>> The next and previous and up sectioning elements of toplevel sectioning elements (like `@top`, `@chapter`, `@appendix`), not taking into account `@part` elements.

set_menus_node_directions($registrar, $customization_information, $parser_information, $global_commands, $nodes_list, $labels);
> Goes through menu and set directions. Register errors in *$registrar*.
>
> This functions sets, in the `structure` node element hash reference:
>
> menu_child
>> The first child in the menu of the node.
>
> menu_up
>
> menu_next
> menu_prev
>> Up, next and previous directions as set in menus.

$option = setup_index_entry_keys_formatting($customization_information)
> Return options for conversion of Texinfo to text relevant for index keys sorting.

($index_entries_sorted, $index_entries_sort_strings) = sort_indices($registrar, $customization_information, $merged_index_entries, $indices_information, $sort_by_letter)
> If *$sort_by_letter* is set, sort by letter, otherwise sort all entries together. In both cases, a hash reference with index names as keys *$index_entries_sorted* is returned.
>
> When sorting by letter, an array reference of letter hash references is associated with each index name. Each letter hash reference has two keys, a *letter* key with the letter, and an *entries* key with an array reference of sorted index entries beginning with the letter.
>
> When simply sorting, the array of the sorted index entries is associated with the index name.
>
> *$index_entries_sort_strings* is a hash reference associating the index entries with the strings that were used to sort them.
>
> Register errors in *$registrar*.

$tree_units = split_by_node($tree)
> Returns a reference array of tree units where a node is associated to the following sectioning commands. Sectioning commands without nodes are also with the previous node, while nodes without sectioning commands are alone in their tree units.
>
> Tree units are regular tree elements with type *unit*, the associated nodes and sectioning tree elements are in the array associated with the `contents` key. The

associated elements have a *associated_unit* key set in the `structure` hash that points to the associated tree unit.

Tree units have directions in the `structure` hash reference, namely *unit_next* and *unit_prev* pointing to the previous and the next tree unit.

In the `extra` hash reference, tree units have:

unit_command
> The node command associated with the element.

$tree_units = split_by_section($tree)
> Similarly with `split_by_node`, returns an array of tree units. This time, lone nodes are associated with the previous sections and lone sections makes up a tree unit.
>
> The `structure` and `extra` hash keys set are the same, except that *unit_command* is the sectioning command associated with the element.

$pages = split_pages($tree_units, $split)
> The tree units from the array reference argument have an extra *first_in_page* value set in the `structure` hash reference to the first tree unit in the group, and based on the value of *$split*. The possible values for *$split* are
>
> chapter
> > The tree units are split at chapter or other toplevel sectioning tree units.
>
> node
> > Each element has its own page.
>
> section
> > The tree units are split at sectioning commands below chapter.
>
> value evaluating to false
> > No splitting, only one page is returned, holding all the tree units.

warn_non_empty_parts($registrar, $customization_information, $global_commands)
> Register a warning in *$registrar* for each `@part` that is not empty in *$global_commands* information (typically obtained by calling `global_commands_information()` on a parser).

4.6 Texinfo::Structuring SEE ALSO

Texinfo manual (`http://www.gnu.org/s/texinfo/manual/texinfo/`), Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

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5 Texinfo::Report

5.1 Texinfo::Report NAME

Texinfo::Report - Error storing for Texinfo modules

5.2 Texinfo::Report SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Report;

my $registrar = Texinfo::Report::new();

if ($warning_happened) {
  $registrar->line_warn($converter, sprintf(__("\@%s is wrongly used"),
                        $current->{'cmdname'}), $current->{'source_info'});
}

my ($errors, $errors_count) = $registrar->errors();
foreach my $error_message (@$errors) {
  warn $error_message->{'error_line'};
}
```

5.3 Texinfo::Report NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

5.4 Texinfo::Report DESCRIPTION

The `Texinfo::Report` module helps with error handling. It is used by the Texinfo modules Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12, and Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58. To use this module, either create a new `Texinfo::Report` object or initialize another object such as to be able to call `Texinfo::Report` methods. In any case, `Texinfo::Report::new()` is called to setup the module.

Besides the `new` method, `errors` is used for reporting errors, and the other methods to store errors (and warnings).

5.5 Texinfo::Report METHODS

No method is exported in the default case.

The `new` method initializes `Texinfo::Report` related fields. The errors collected are available through the `errors` method, the other methods allow registering errors and warnings.

my $registrar = Texinfo::Report::new()
$converter->Texinfo::Report::new()

> If called without argument, a `Texinfo::Report` object is initialized and returned. This is how the module is used in the Texinfo Parsers, as a separate object.

> If called on a $converter, the $converter is initialized itself such as to be able to call `Texinfo::Report` methods. It is how it is used in the Converters.

($error_warnings_list, $error_count) = errors($registrar)

> This function returns as *$error_count* the count of errors since calling `new`. The *$error_warnings_list* is an array of hash references one for each error, warning or error line continuation. Each of these has the following keys:

> type

> > May be `warning`, or `error`.

> text

> > The text of the error.

> error_line

> > The text of the error formatted with the file name, line number and macro name, as needed.

> line_nr

> > The line number of the error or warning.

> file_name

> > The file name where the error or warning occurs.

> macro

> > The user macro name that is expanded at the location of the error or warning.

$registrar->line_warn($text, $configuration_information, $error_location_info,
$continuation, $silent)
$registrar->line_error($text, $configuration_information, $error_location_info,
$continuation, $silent)

> Register a warning or an error. The *$text* is the text of the error or warning. The *$configuration_information* object gives some information that can modify the messages or their delivery. The optional *$error_location_info* holds the information on the error or warning location. The *$error_location_info* reference on hash may be obtained from Texinfo elements *source_info* keys. It may also be setup to point to a file name, using the `file_name` key and to a line number, using the `line_nr` key. The `file_name` key value should be a binary string.

> The *$continuation* optional arguments, if true, conveys that the line is a continuation line of a message.

> The *$silent* optional arguments, if true, suppresses the output of a message that is output immediatly if debugging is set.

> The *source_info* key of Texinfo tree elements is described in more details in [Texinfo::Parser source_info], page 18.

$registrar->document_warn($configuration_information, $text, $continuation)
$registrar->document_error($configuration_information, $text, $continuation)

> Register a document-wide error or warning. *$text* is the error or warning message. The *$configuration_information* object gives some information that can

modify the messages or their delivery. The *$continuation* optional arguments, if true, conveys that the line is a continuation line of a message.

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6 Texinfo::Translations

6.1 Texinfo::Translations NAME

Texinfo::Translations - Translations of output documents strings for Texinfo modules

6.2 Texinfo::Translations SYNOPSIS

```
@ISA = qw(Texinfo::Translations);

my $tree_translated = $converter->gdt('See {reference} in @cite{{book}}',
                      {'reference' => $tree_reference,
                       'book'  => {'text' => $book_name}});
```

6.3 Texinfo::Translations NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

6.4 Texinfo::Translations DESCRIPTION

The `Texinfo::Translations` module helps with translations in output documents.

Translation of error messages uses another interface, which is the classical gettext based perl interface. It is not described as it is described in details elsewhere, some elements are in [Texinfo::Common `__` and `__p`], page 7.

6.5 Texinfo::Translations METHODS

No method is exported.

The `gdt` and `pgdt` methods are used to translate strings to be output in converted documents, and returns, in general, a Texinfo tree.

The `replace_convert_substrings` method is called by `gdt` to substitute replaced substrings in a translated string and convert to a Texinfo tree. It may be especially useful when overriding or reimplementing `gdt`.

$tree = $object->gdt($string, $replaced_substrings, $translation_context, $mode, $lang)

        The *$string* is a string to be translated. In the default case, the function returns a Texinfo tree, as the string is interpreted as Texinfo code after translation. *$replaced_substrings* is an optional hash reference specifying some substitution to be done after the translation. The key of the *$replaced_substrings* hash reference identifies what is to be substituted, and the value is some string, texinfo tree or array content that is substituted in the resulting texinfo tree. In the string to be translated word in brace matching keys of *$replaced_substrings* are replaced.

        The *$object* is typically a converter, but can be any object that implements `get_conf`, or undefined (`undef`). If not undefined, the information in the *$object* is used to determine the encoding, the documentlanguage and get some customization information.

The *$translation_context* is optional. If not `undef` this is a translation context string for *$string*. It is the first argument of `pgettext` in the C API of Gettext. *$lang* is optional. If set, it overrides the documentlanguage.

For example, in the following call, the string `See {reference} in @cite{{book}}` is translated, then parsed as a Texinfo string, with {*reference*} substituted by *$tree_reference* in the resulting tree, and {*book*} replaced by the associated texinfo tree text element:

```
$tree = $converter->gdt('See {reference} in @cite{{book}}',
                        {'reference' => $tree_reference,
                         'book'  => {'text' => $book_name}});
```

`gdt` uses a gettext-like infrastructure to retrieve the translated strings, using the *texinfo_document* domain.

$mode is an optional string which may modify how the function behaves. The possible values are:

translated_text

> In that case the string is not considered to be Texinfo, a plain string that is returned after translation and substitution. The substitutions may only be strings in that case.

$tree = $object->pgdt($translation_context, $string, $replaced_substrings, $mode, $lang)

> Same to `gdt` except that the *$translation_context* is not optional. Calls `gdt`. This function is useful to mark strings with a translation context for translation. This function is similar to pgettext in the Gettext C API.

$tree = $object->replace_convert_substrings($translated_string, $replaced_substrings, $mode)

> *$translated_string* is a string already translated. *$replaced_substrings* is an optional hash reference specifying some substitution to be done. *$mode* is an optional string which may modify how the function behaves, and in particular whether the translated string should be converted to a Texinfo tree. *$object* is typically a converter, but can be any object that implements `get_conf`, or undefined (`undef`). If not undefined, the information in the *$object* is used to get some customization information.
>
> The function performs the substitutions of substrings in the translated string and converts to a Texinfo tree if needed. It is called from `gdt` after the retrieval of the translated string.

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7 Texinfo::Transformations

7.1 Texinfo::Transformations NAME

Texinfo::Transformations - transformations of Texinfo Perl tree

7.2 Texinfo::Transformations NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

7.3 Texinfo::Transformations DESCRIPTION

Includes miscellaneous methods `set_menus_to_simple_menu` and `menu_to_simple_menu` to change the menu texinfo tree, as well as `insert_nodes_for_sectioning_commands` that adds nodes for sectioning commands without nodes and `complete_tree_nodes_menus` and `complete_tree_nodes_missing_menu` that completes the node menus based on the sectioning tree.

7.4 Texinfo::Transformations METHODS

No method is exported in the default case.

complete_tree_nodes_menus($tree, $add_section_names_in_entries)

>   Add menu entries or whole menus for nodes associated with sections, based on the sectioning tree. If the optional `$add_section_names_in_entries` argument is set, a menu entry name is added using the section name. This function should be called after [sectioning_structure], page 34.

complete_tree_nodes_missing_menu($tree, $use_section_names_in_entries)

>   Add whole menus for nodes associated with sections and without menu, based on the sectioning tree. If the optional `$add_section_names_in_entries` argument is set, a menu entry name is added using the section name. This function should be called after [sectioning_structure], page 34.

($root_content, $added_sections) = fill_gaps_in_sectioning($tree)

>   This function adds empty `@unnumbered` and similar commands in a tree to fill gaps in sectioning. This may be used, for example, when converting from a format that can handle gaps in sectioning. *$tree* is the tree root. An array reference is returned, containing the root contents with added sectioning commands, as well as an array reference containing the added sectioning commands.

>   If the sectioning commands are lowered or raised (with `@raisesections`, `@lowersection`) the tree may be modified with `@raisesections` or `@lowersection` added to some tree elements.

($root_content, $added_nodes) = insert_nodes_for_sectioning_commands($tree, $nodes_list, $targets_list, $labels)

>   Insert nodes for sectioning commands without node in `$tree`. Add nodes to the labels used as targets for references `$labels` and `$targets_list` and to `$nodes_list`.

> An array reference is returned, containing the root contents with added nodes, as well as an array reference containing the added nodes.

menu_to_simple_menu($menu)
set_menus_to_simple_menu($nodes_list)

> `menu_to_simple_menu` transforms the tree of a menu tree element. `set_menus_to_simple_menu` calls `menu_to_simple_menu` for all the menus of the nodes in `$nodes_list`.
>
> A simple menu has no *menu_comment*, *menu_entry* or *menu_entry_description* container anymore, their content are merged directly in the menu in *preformatted* container.

protect_hashchar_at_line_beginning($registrar, $customization_information, $tree)

> Protect hash (#) character at the beginning of line such that they would not be considered as lines to be processed by the CPP processor. The *$registrar* and *$customization_information* arguments may be undef. If defined, the *$registrar* argument should be a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, object in which the errors and warnings encountered while parsing are registered. If defined, *$customization_information* should give access to customization through `get_conf`. If both *$registrar* and *$customization_information* are defined they are used for error reporting in case an hash character could not be protected because it appeared in a raw environment.

$modified_tree = reference_to_arg_in_tree($tree)

> Modify *$tree* by converting reference @-commands to simple text using one of the arguments. This transformation can be used, for example, to remove reference @-command from constructed node names trees, as node names cannot contain reference @-command while there could be some in the tree used in input for the node name tree.

regenerate_master_menu($translations, $labels)

> Regenerate the Top node master menu, replacing the first detailmenu in Top node menus or appending at the end of the Top node menu. *$translations*, if defined, should be a Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41, object and should also hold customization information.

7.5 Texinfo::Transformations SEE ALSO

Texinfo manual (`http://www.gnu.org/s/texinfo/manual/texinfo/`), Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

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8 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo

8.1 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo - Convert a Texinfo tree to Texinfo code

8.2 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo qw(convert_to_texinfo);

my $texinfo_text = convert_to_texinfo($tree);
```

8.3 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

8.4 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo` converts a Texinfo tree (described in Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12) to Texinfo code. If the Texinfo tree results from parsing some Texinfo document, The converted Texinfo code should be exactly the same as the initial document, except that user defined @-macros and `@value` are expanded, and some invalid code is discarded.

8.5 Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo METHODS

$texinfo_text = convert_to_texinfo($tree)
        Converts the Texinfo tree *$tree* to Texinfo code.

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9 Texinfo::Convert::Utils

9.1 Texinfo::Convert::Utils NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Utils - miscellaneous functions usable in all converters

9.2 Texinfo::Convert::Utils SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Convert::Utils;

my $today_tree = Texinfo::Convert::Utils::expand_today($converter);
my $verbatiminclude_tree
   = Texinfo::Convert::Utils::expand_verbatiminclude(undef, $converter,
                                                     $verbatiminclude);
```

9.3 Texinfo::Convert::Utils NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

9.4 Texinfo::Convert::Utils DESCRIPTION

miscellaneous methods that may be useful for backends converting texinfo trees. This module contains the methods that can be used in converters which do not inherit from Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58.

9.5 Texinfo::Convert::Utils METHODS

No method is exported in the default case.

Most methods takes a *$converter* as argument, in some cases optionally, to get some information, see Section 13.5.2 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter Getting and setting customization variables], page 60, and use methods for error reporting, see Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, and Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, and for strings translations, see Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41.

Even when the caller does not inherit from Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, it could implement the required interfaces and could also have a converter available in some cases, to call the functions which require a converter.

$result = add_heading_number($converter, $heading_element, $heading_text, $do_number)

> The *$converter* argument may be undef. *$heading_element* is a heading command tree element. *$heading_text* is the already formatted heading text. if the *$do_number* optional argument is defined and false, no number is used and the text is returned as is. This function returns the heading with a number and the appendix part if needed. If *$converter* is not defined, the resulting string won't be translated.

($category, $class, $type, $name, $arguments) = definition_arguments_content($element)

> *$element* should be a `@def*` Texinfo tree element. The *$category*, *$class*, *$type*, *$name* are elements corresponding to the definition @-command line. Texinfo elements on the @-command line corresponding to arguments in the function definition are returned in the *$arguments* array reference. Arguments correspond to text following the other elements on the @-command line. If there is no argument, *$arguments* will be `undef`.

$tree = definition_category_tree($converter, $def_line)

> The *$converter* argument may be undef. *$def_line* is a `def_line` texinfo tree container. This function returns a texinfo tree corresponding to the category of the *$def_line* taking the class into account, if there is one. If *$converter* is not defined, the resulting string won't be translated.

($encoded_name, $encoding) = $converter->encoded_input_file_name($converter, $character_string_name, $input_file_encoding)

($encoded_name, $encoding) = $converter->encoded_output_file_name($converter, $character_string_name)

> Encode *$character_string_name* in the same way as other file names are encoded in converters, based on customization variables, and possibly on the input file encoding. Return the encoded name and the encoding used to encode the name. The `encoded_input_file_name` and `encoded_output_file_name` functions use different customization variables to determine the encoding. The *$converter* argument is not optional and is used both to access to customization variables and to access to parser information.
>
> The <$input_file_encoding> argument is optional. If set, it is used for the input file encoding. It is useful if there is more precise information on the input file encoding where the file name appeared.

$tree = expand_today($converter)

> Expand today's date, as a texinfo tree with translations. The *$converter* argument is not optional and is used both to retrieve customization information and to translate strings.

$tree = expand_verbatiminclude($registrar, $customization_information, $verbatiminclude)

> The *$registrar* argument may be undef. The *$customization_information* argument is required and is used to retrieve customization information Section 13.5.2 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter Getting and setting customization variables], page 60. *$verbatiminclude* is a `@verbatiminclude` tree element. This function returns a `@verbatim` tree elements after finding the included file and reading it. If *$registrar* is not defined, error messages are not registered.

(\@contents, \@accent_commands) = find_innermost_accent_contents($element)

> *$element* should be an accent command Texinfo tree element. Returns an array reference containing the innermost accent @-command contents, normally a text element with one or two letter, and an array reference containing the accent commands nested in *$element* (including *$element*).

$heading_element = find_root_command_next_heading_command($element,
$expanded_format_raw, $do_not_ignore_contents, $do_not_ignore_index_entries)

> Return an heading element found in the *$element* contents if it appears before
> contents that could be formatted. *$expanded_format_raw* is a hash reference
> with raw output formats (html, docbook, xml...) as keys, associated value
> should be set for expanded raw output formats. *$do_not_ignore_contents* is op-
> tional. If set, `@contents` and `@shortcontents` are considered to be formatted.
> *$do_not_ignore_index_entries* is optional. If set, index entries are considered to
> be formatted.
>
> Only heading elements corresponding to `@heading`, `@subheading` and similar @-
> commands that are not associated to nodes in general are found, not sectioning
> commands.

9.6 Texinfo::Convert::Utils SEE ALSO

Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, and Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations],
page 41.

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10 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode

10.1 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Unicode - Representation as Unicode characters

10.2 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Convert::Unicode qw(unicode_accent encoded_accents
                                 unicode_text);
use Texinfo::Convert::Text qw(convert_to_text);

my ($innermost_contents, $stack)
    = Texinfo::Convert::Utils::find_innermost_accent_contents($accent);

my $formatted_accents = encoded_accents ($converter,
                convert_to_text($innermost_contents), $stack, $encoding,
                        \&Texinfo::Text::ascii_accent_fallback);

my $accent_text = unicode_accent('e', $accent_command);
```

10.3 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

10.4 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::Unicode` provides methods dealing with Unicode representation and conversion of Unicode code points, to be used in converters.

When an encoding supported in Texinfo is given as argument of a method of the module, the accented letters or characters returned by the method should only be represented by Unicode code points if it is known that Perl should manage to convert the Unicode code points to encoded characters in the encoding character set. Note that the actual conversion is done by Perl, not by the module.

10.5 Texinfo::Convert::Unicode METHODS

$result = brace_no_arg_command($command_name, $encoding)
> Return the Unicode representation of a command with brace and no argument *$command_name* (like `@bullet{}`, `@aa{}` or `@guilsinglleft{}`), or `undef` if the Unicode representation cannot be converted to encoding *$encoding*.

$possible_conversion = check_unicode_point_conversion($arg, $output_debug)
> Check that it is possible to output actual UTF-8 binary bytes corresponding to the Unicode code point string *$arg* (such as `201D`). Perl gives a warning and will not output UTF-8 for Unicode non-characters such as U+10FFFF. If the optional *$output_debug* argument is set, a debugging output warning is emitted

if the test of the conversion failed. Returns 1 if the conversion is possible and
can be attempted, 0 otherwise.

$result = encoded_accents($converter, $text, $stack, $encoding, $format_accent, $set_case)

$encoding is the encoding the accented characters should be encoded to. If
$encoding not set, *$result* is set to `undef`. Nested accents and their content are
passed with *$text* and *$stack*. *$text* is the text appearing within nested accent
commands. *$stack* is an array reference holding the nested accents texinfo
tree elements. In general, *$text* is the formatted contents and *$stack* the stack
returned by [Texinfo::Convert::Utils::find_innermost_accent_contents], page 48.
The function tries to convert as much as possible the accents to *$encoding*
starting from the innermost accent.

$format_accent is a function reference that is used to format the accent com-
mands if there is no encoded character available at some point of the conversion
of the *$stack*. *$converter* is a converter object optionaly used by *$format_accent*.
It may be `undef` if there is no need of converter object in *$format_accent*.

If *$set_case* is positive, the result is upper-cased, while if it is negative, the
result is lower-cased.

$width = string_width($string)

Return the string width, taking into account the fact that some characters
have a zero width (like composing accents) while some have a width of 2 (most
chinese characters, for example).

$result = unicode_accent($text, $accent_command)

$text is the text appearing within an accent command. *$accent_command*
should be a Texinfo tree element corresponding to an accent command taking
an argument. The function returns the Unicode representation of the accented
character.

$is_decoded = unicode_point_decoded_in_encoding($encoding, $unicode_point)

Return true if the *$unicode_point* will be encoded in the encoding *$encoding*.
The *$unicode_point* should be specified as a four letter string describing an
hexadecimal number with letters in upper case (such as `201D`). Tables are used
to determine if the *$unicode_point* will be encoded, when the encoding does not
cover the whole Unicode range.

If the encoding is not supported in Texinfo, the result will always be false.

$result = unicode_text($text, $in_code)

Return *$text* with dashes and quotes corresponding, for example to `---` or `'`,
represented as Unicode code points. If *$in_code* is set, the text is considered to
be in code style.

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11 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization

11.1 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization NAME

Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization - Normalize and transliterate Texinfo trees

11.2 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization qw(normalize_node
                                    normalize_transliterate_texinfo);

my $normalized = normalize_node({'contents' => $node_contents});

my $file_name = normalize_transliterate_texinfo({'contents'
                                       => $section_contents});
```

11.3 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

11.4 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization` allows to normalize node names, with `normalize_node` following the specification described in the Texinfo manual *HTML Xref* node. This is useful whenever one want a unique identifier for Texinfo content, which is only composed of letter, digits, - and _. In Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12, `normalize_node` is used for `@node`, `@float` and `@anchor` names normalization, but also `@float` types and `@acronym` and `@abbr` first argument.

It is also possible to transliterate non-ASCII letters, instead of mangling them, with `normalize_transliterate_texinfo`, losing the uniqueness feature of normalized node names.

Another method, `transliterate_protect_file_name` transliterates non-ASCII letters and protect characters that should not appear on file names.

11.5 Texinfo::Convert::NodeNameNormalization METHODS

$partially_normalized = convert_to_normalized($tree)

> The Texinfo *$tree* is returned as a string, with @-commands and spaces normalized as described in the Texinfo manual *HTML Xref* node. ASCII 7-bit characters other than spaces and non-ASCII characters are left as is in the resulting string.

$normalized = normalize_node($tree)

> The Texinfo *$tree* is returned as a string, normalized as described in the Texinfo manual *HTML Xref* node.

The result will be poor for Texinfo trees which are not @-command arguments (on an @-command line or in braces), for instance if the tree contains `@node` or block commands.

$transliterated = normalize_transliterate_texinfo($tree, $no_unidecode)

The Texinfo *$tree* is returned as a string, with non-ASCII letters transliterated as ASCII, but otherwise similar with `normalize_node` output. If the optional *$no_unidecode* argument is set, `Text::Unidecode` is not used for characters whose transliteration is not built-in.

$transliterated = transliterate_texinfo($tree, $no_unidecode)

The Texinfo *$tree* is returned as a string, with non-ASCII letters transliterated as ASCII. If the optional *$no_unidecode* argument is set, `Text::Unidecode` is not used for characters whose transliteration is not built-in.

$file_name = transliterate_protect_file_name($string, $no_unidecode)

The string *$string* is returned with non-ASCII letters transliterated as ASCII, and ASCII characters not safe in file names protected as in node normalization. If the optional *$no_unidecode* argument is set, `Text::Unidecode` is not used for characters whose transliteration is not built-in.

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12 Texinfo::Convert::Text

12.1 Texinfo::Convert::Text NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Text - Convert Texinfo tree to simple text

12.2 Texinfo::Convert::Text SYNOPSIS

```
use Texinfo::Convert::Text qw(convert_to_text ascii_accent text_accents);

my $result = convert_to_text($tree);
my $result_encoded = convert_to_text($tree,
         {'enabled_encoding' => 'utf-8'});
my $result_converter = convert_to_text($tree,
         {'converter' => $converter});

my $result_accent_text = ascii_accent('e', $accent_command);
my $accents_text = text_accents($accents, 'utf-8');
```

12.3 Texinfo::Convert::Text NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

12.4 Texinfo::Convert::Text DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::Text` is a simple backend that converts a Texinfo tree to simple text. It is used in converters, especially for file names. The converter is very simple, and, in the default case, cannot handle output strings translation or error handling.

12.5 Texinfo::Convert::Text METHODS

$result = convert_to_text($tree, $options)

> Convert a Texinfo tree to simple text. *$options* is a hash reference of options. The converter is very simple, and has almost no internal state besides the options. It cannot handle as is output strings translation or error storing.
>
> If the *converter* option is set, some additional features may be available for the conversion of some @-commands, like output strings translation or error reporting.
>
> The following options may be set:
>
> enabled_encoding
>
>> If set, the value is considered to be the encoding name texinfo accented letters should be converted to. This option being set corresponds to the `--enable-encoding` option, or the `ENABLE_ENCODING` customization variable for Info and Plaintext and for some conversion to text in other formats. For file names in HTML and LaTeX,

and for DocBook or Texinfo XML, this variable should in general be set unless the output encoding is US-ASCII.

sc

If set, the text is upper-cased.

code

If set the text is in code style. (mostly `--`, `---`, `''` and `` `` `` are kept as is).

NUMBER_SECTIONS

If set, sections are numbered when output.

sort_string

A somehow internal option to convert to text more suitable for alphabetical sorting rather than presentation.

converter

If this converter object is passed to the function, some features of this object may be used during conversion. Mostly error reporting and strings translation, as the converter object is also supposed to be a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, objet. See also Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58.

expanded_formats_hash

A reference on a hash. The keys should be format names (like `html`, `tex`), and if the corresponding value is set, the format is expanded.

$result_accent_text = ascii_accent($text, $accent_command)

$text is the text appearing within an accent command. *$accent_command* should be a Texinfo tree element corresponding to an accent command taking an argument. The function returns a transliteration of the accented character.

$result_accent_text = ascii_accent_fallback($converter, $text, $accent_command)

Same as `ascii_accent` but with an additional first argument converter, which is ignored, but needed if this function is to be in argument of functions that need a fallback for accents conversion.

$accents_text = text_accents($accents, $encoding, $set_case)

$accents is an accent command that may contain other nested accent commands. The function will format the whole stack of nested accent commands and the innermost text. If *$encoding* is set, the formatted text is converted to this encoding as much as possible instead of being converted as simple ASCII. If *$set_case* is positive, the result is meant to be upper-cased, if it is negative, the result is to be lower-cased.

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13 Texinfo::Convert::Converter

13.1 Texinfo::Convert::Converter NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Converter - Parent class for Texinfo tree converters

13.2 Texinfo::Convert::Converter SYNOPSIS

```
package Texinfo::Convert::MyConverter;

use Texinfo::Convert::Converter;
@ISA = qw(Texinfo::Convert::Converter);

sub converter_defaults ($$) {
  return %myconverter_defaults;
}
sub converter_initialize($) {
  my $self = shift;
  $self->{'document_context'} = [{}];
}

sub convert($$) {
  ...
}
sub convert_tree($$) {
  ...
}
sub output($$) {
  ...
}

# end of Texinfo::Convert::MyConverter

my $converter = Texinfo::Convert::MyConverter->converter(
                                          {'parser' => $parser});
$converter->output($texinfo_tree);
```

13.3 Texinfo::Convert::Converter NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

13.4 Texinfo::Convert::Converter DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::Converter` is a super class that can be used to simplify converters initialization. The class also provide some useful methods.

In turn, the converter should define some methods. Two are optional, `converter_defaults`, `converter_initialize` and used for initialization, to give information to `Texinfo::Convert::Converter`.

The `convert_tree` method is mandatory and should convert portions of Texinfo tree. The `output` method is used by converters as entry point for conversion to a file with headers and so on. Although it is is not called from other modules, it should in general be implemented by converters. `output` is called from `texi2any`. `convert` is not required, but customarily used by converters as entry point for a conversion of a whole Texinfo tree without the headers done when outputting to a file.

Existing backends may be used as examples that implement those methods. `Texinfo::Convert::Texinfo` together with `Texinfo::Convert::PlainTexinfo`, as well as `Texinfo::Convert::TextContent` are trivial examples. `Texinfo::Convert::Text` is less trivial, although still simple, while `Texinfo::Convert::DocBook` is a real converter that is also not too complex.

The documentation of Section 2.1 [Texinfo::Common], page 6, Section 10.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Unicode], page 50, and Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, describes modules or additional function that may be useful for backends, while the parsed Texinfo tree is described in Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

13.5 Texinfo::Convert::Converter METHODS

13.5.1 Initialization

A module subclassing `Texinfo::Convert::Converter` is created by calling the `converter` method that should be inherited from `Texinfo::Convert::Converter`.

$converter = MyConverter->converter($options)

> The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. **TODO what about the other options (all are used in converters; 'structuring' is available in HTML $converter->get_info()?** The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information. **TODO document this associated information ('parser_info', 'indices_information', 'floats'..., most available in HTML converter, either through $converter->get_info() or label_command())**
>
> The `converter` function returns a converter object (a blessed hash reference) after checking the options and performing some initializations, especially when a parser is given among the options. The converter is also initialized as a Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38.

To help with these initializations, the modules subclassing `Texinfo::Convert::Converter` can define two methods:

%defaults = $converter->converter_defaults($options)

> The module can provide a defaults hash for converter customization options. The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter.

converter_initialize

> This method is called at the end of the `Texinfo::Convert::Converter` converter initialization.

13.5.2 Getting and setting customization variables

`Texinfo::Convert::Converter` implements a simple interface to set and retrieve Texinfo customization variables. Helper functions from diverse Texinfo modules needing customization information expect an object implementing `get_conf` and/or `set_conf`. The converter itself can therefore be used in such cases.

$converter->force_conf($variable_name, $variable_value)

> Set the Texinfo customization option *$variable_name* to *$variable_value*. This should rarely be used, but the purpose of this method is to be able to revert a customization that is always wrong for a given output format, like the splitting for example.

$converter->get_conf($variable_name)

> Returns the value of the Texinfo customization variable *$variable_name*.

$status = $converter->set_conf($variable_name, $variable_value)

> Set the Texinfo customization option *$variable_name* to *$variable_value* if not set as a converter option. Returns false if the customization options was not set.

13.5.3 Conversion to XML

Some `Texinfo::Convert::Converter` methods target conversion to XML. Most methods take a *$converter* as argument to get some information and use methods for error reporting.

$formatted_text = $converter->xml_format_text_with_numeric_entities($text)

> Replace quotation marks and hyphens used to represent dash in Texinfo text with numeric XML entities.

$protected_text = $converter->xml_protect_text($text)

> Protect special XML characters (&, <, >, ") of *$text*.

$comment = $converter->xml_comment($text)

> Returns an XML comment for *$text*.

$result = xml_accent($text, $accent_command, $in_upper_case, $use_numeric_entities)

> *$text* is the text appearing within an accent command. *$accent_command* should be a Texinfo tree element corresponding to an accent command taking an argument. *$in_upper_case* is optional, and, if set, the text is put in upper case. The function returns the accented letter as XML named entity if possible, falling back to numeric entities if there is no named entity and to an ASCII transliteration as last resort. *$use_numeric_entities* is optional. If set, numerical entities are used instead of named entities if possible.

$result = $converter->xml_accents($accent_command, $in_upper_case)

> *$accent_command* is an accent command, which may have other accent commands nested. If *$in_upper_case* is set, the result should be upper cased. The function returns the accents formatted as XML.

$result = xml_numeric_entity_accent($accent_command_name, $text)

> *$accent_command_name* is the name of an accent command. *$text* is the text appearing within the accent command. Returns the accented letter as XML numeric entity, or `undef` is there is no such entity.

13.5.4 Helper methods

The module provides methods that may be useful for converter. Most methods take a *$converter* as argument to get some information and use methods for error reporting, see Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38. Also to translate strings, see Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41. For useful methods that need a converter optionally and can be used in converters that do not inherit from `Texinfo::Convert::Converter`, see Section 9.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Utils], page 47.

$contents_element = $converter->comma_index_subentries_tree($entry, $separator)

> *$entry* is a Texinfo tree index entry element. The function sets up an array with the `@subentry` contents. The result is returned as `contents` in the *$contents_element* element, or `undef` if there is no such content. *$separator* is an optional separator argument used, if given, instead of the default: a comma followed by a space.

$result = $converter->convert_accents($accent_command, \&format_accents,
$output_encoded_characters, $in_upper_case)

> *$accent_command* is an accent command, which may have other accent commands nested. The function returns the accents formatted either as encoded letters if *$output_encoded_characters* is set, or formatted using *&format_accents*. If *$in_upper_case* is set, the result should be uppercased.

$result = $converter->convert_document_sections($root, $file_handler)

> This method splits the *$root* Texinfo tree at sections and calls `convert_tree` on the elements. If the optional *$file_handler* is given in argument, the result are output in *$file_handler*, otherwise the resulting string is returned.

$succeeded = $converter->create_destination_directory($destination_directory_path,
$destination_directory_name)

> Create destination directory *$destination_directory_path*. *$destination_directory_path* should be a binary string, while *$destination_directory_name* should be a character string, that can be used in error messages. *$succeeded* is true if the creation was successful or uneeded, false otherwise.

($output_file, $destination_directory, $output_filename, $document_name, $input_basefile)
= $converter->determine_files_and_directory($output_format)

> Determine output file and directory, as well as names related to files. The result depends on the presence of `@setfilename`, on the Texinfo input file name, and on customization options such as `OUTPUT`, `SUBDIR` or `SPLIT`, as described in the Texinfo manual. *$output_format* is optional. If it is not set the current output format, if defined, is used instead. If not an empty string, `_$output_format` is prepended to the default directory name.
>
> *$output_file* is mainly relevant when not split and should be used as the output file name. In general, if not split and *$output_file* is an empty string, it means

that text should be returned by the converter instead of being written to an output file. This is used in the test suite. *$destination_directory* is either the directory *$output_file* is in, or if split, the directory where the files should be created. *$output_filename* is, in general, the file name portion of *$output_file* (without directory) but can also be set based on `@setfilename`, in particular when *$output_file* is an empty string. *$document_name* is *$output_filename* without extension. *$input_basefile* is based on the input texinfo file name, with the file name portion only (without directory).

The strings returned are text strings.

($encoded_name, $encoding) =
$converter->encoded_input_file_name($character_string_name, $input_file_encoding)
($encoded_name, $encoding) =
$converter->encoded_output_file_name($character_string_name)

> Encode *$character_string_name* in the same way as other file names are encoded in the converter, based on customization variables, and possibly on the input file encoding. Return the encoded name and the encoding used to encode the name. The `encoded_input_file_name` and `encoded_output_file_name` functions use different customization variables to determine the encoding.
>
> The <$input_file_encoding> argument is optional. If set, it is used for the input file encoding. It is useful if there is more precise information on the input file encoding where the file name appeared.
>
> Note that `encoded_output_file_name` is a wrapper around the function with the same name in [Texinfo::Convert::Utils::encoded_output_file_name], page 48, and `encoded_input_file_name` is a wrapper around the function with the same name in [Texinfo::Convert::Utils::encoded_input_file_name], page 48.

($caption, $prepended) = $converter->float_name_caption($float)

> *$float* is a texinfo tree `@float` element. This function returns the caption element that should be used for the float formatting and the *$prepended* texinfo tree combining the type and label of the float.

$tree = $converter->float_type_number($float)

> *$float* is a texinfo tree `@float` element. This function returns the type and number of the float as a texinfo tree with translations.

$end_line = $converter->format_comment_or_return_end_line($element)

> Format comment at end of line or return the end of line associated with the element. In many cases, converters ignore comments and output is better formatted with new lines added independently of the presence of newline or comment in the initial Texinfo line, so most converters are better off not using this method.

$filename = sub $converter->node_information_filename($normalized, $node_contents)

> Returns the normalized file name corresponding to the *$normalized* node name and to the *$node_contents* node name contents.

($normalized_name, $filename) =
$converter->normalized_sectioning_command_filename($element)

>   Returns a normalized name *$normalized_name* corresponding to a section-
>   ing command tree element *$element*, expanding the command argument using
>   transliteration and characters protection. Also returns *$filename* the corre-
>   sponding filename based on *$normalized_name* taking into account additional
>   constraint on file names and adding a file extension.

$converter->present_bug_message($message, $element)

>   Show a bug message using *$message* text. Use information on *$element* tree
>   element if given in argument.

$converter->set_global_document_commands($commands_location, $selected_commands)

>   Set the Texinfo customization options for @-commands. *$selected_commands* is
>   an optional array reference containing the @-commands set, if not given all the
>   global informative @-commands are set. *$commands_location* specifies where
>   in the document the value should be taken from. The possibilities are:

> before

>>   Set to the values before document conversion, from defaults and
>>   command-line.

> last

>>   Set to the last value for the command.

> preamble

>>   Set sequentially to the values in the Texinfo preamble.

> preamble_or_first

>>   Set to the first value of the command if the first command is not
>>   in the Texinfo preamble, else set as with *preamble*, sequentially to
>>   the values in the Texinfo preamble.

>   Notice that the only effect of this function is to set a customization variable
>   value, no @-command side effects are run, no associated customization variables
>   are set.

>   For more information on the function used to set the value for each of the
>   command, see [Texinfo::Common set_global_document_command], page 10.

$table_item_tree = $converter->table_item_content_tree($element, $contents)

>   *$element* should be an `@item` or `@itemx` tree element, *$contents* should be
>   corresponding texinfo tree contents. Returns a tree in which the @-command
>   in argument of `@*table` of the *$element* has been applied to *$contents*.

$result = $converter->top_node_filename($document_name)

>   Returns a file name for the Top node file using either `TOP_FILE` customization
>   value, or `EXTENSION` customization value and *$document_name*.

Finally, there is:

$result = $converter->output_internal_links()

>   At this level, the method just returns undef. It is used in the HTML output,
>   following the `--internal-links` option of `texi2any` specification.

13.6 Texinfo::Convert::Converter SEE ALSO

Section 2.1 [Texinfo::Common], page 6, Section 10.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Unicode], page 50, Section 5.1 [Texinfo::Report], page 38, Section 6.1 [Texinfo::Translations], page 41, Section 9.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Utils], page 47, and Section 3.1 [Texinfo::Parser], page 12.

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14 Texinfo::Convert::Info

14.1 Texinfo::Convert::Info NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Info - Convert Texinfo tree to Info

14.2 Texinfo::Convert::Info SYNOPSIS

```
my $converter
  = Texinfo::Convert::Info->converter({'parser' => $parser});

$converter->output($tree);
$converter->convert($tree);
$converter->convert_tree($tree);
```

14.3 Texinfo::Convert::Info NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

14.4 Texinfo::Convert::Info DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Convert::Info converts a Texinfo tree to Info.

14.5 Texinfo::Convert::Info METHODS

$converter = Texinfo::Convert::Info->converter($options)
>   Initialize converter from Texinfo to Info.
>
>   The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information.
>
>   See Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, for more information.

$converter->output($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and output the result in files as described in the Texinfo manual.

$result = $converter->convert($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and return the resulting output.

$result = $converter->convert_tree($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree portion *$tree* and return the resulting output. This function does not try to output a full document but only portions. For a full document use `convert`.

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15 Texinfo::Convert::HTML

15.1 Texinfo::Convert::HTML NAME

Texinfo::Convert::HTML - Convert Texinfo tree to HTML

15.2 Texinfo::Convert::HTML SYNOPSIS

```
my $converter
  = Texinfo::Convert::HTML->converter({'parser' => $parser});

$converter->output($tree);
$converter->convert($tree);
$converter->convert_tree($tree);
$converter->output_internal_links(); # HTML only
```

15.3 Texinfo::Convert::HTML NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

15.4 Texinfo::Convert::HTML DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Convert::HTML converts a Texinfo tree to HTML.

15.5 Texinfo::Convert::HTML METHODS

$converter = Texinfo::Convert::HTML->converter($options)
>   Initialize converter from Texinfo to HTML.

>   The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information.

>   See Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, for more information.

$converter->output($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and output the result in files as described in the Texinfo manual.

$result = $converter->convert($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and return the resulting output.

$result = $converter->convert_tree($tree)
>   Convert a Texinfo tree portion *$tree* and return the resulting output. This function does not try to output a full document but only portions. For a full document use `convert`.

$result = $converter->output_internal_links()

>   Returns text representing the links in the document. The format should follow the `--internal-links` option of the `texi2any` specification. This is only supported in (and relevant for) HTML.

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16 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook

16.1 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook NAME

Texinfo::Convert::DocBook - Convert Texinfo tree to DocBook

16.2 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook SYNOPSIS

```
my $converter
  = Texinfo::Convert::DocBook->converter({'parser' => $parser});

$converter->output($tree);
$converter->convert($tree);
$converter->convert_tree($tree);
```

16.3 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

16.4 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Convert::DocBook converts a Texinfo tree to DocBook.

16.5 Texinfo::Convert::DocBook METHODS

$converter = Texinfo::Convert::DocBook->converter($options)

Initialize converter from Texinfo to DocBook.

The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information.

See Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, for more information.

$converter->output($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and output the result in files as described in the Texinfo manual.

$result = $converter->convert($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and return the resulting output.

$result = $converter->convert_tree($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree portion *$tree* and return the resulting output. This function does not try to output a full document but only portions. For a full document use `convert`.

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17 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup

17.1 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup NAME

Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup - Convert Texinfo tree to element and attribute markup

17.2 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup SYNOPSIS

```
package Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMyMarkup;

use Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup;

@ISA = qw(Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup);

sub converter_defaults ($$) {
  return %myconverter_defaults;
}

sub txi_markup_protect_text($$)
{
  my $self = shift;
  ....
}
```

17.3 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

17.4 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup DESCRIPTION

`Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup` converts a Texinfo tree to the Texinfo Markup Language which is based on nested elements with attributes, similar to XML. All the information present in the Texinfo tree, after expansion of `@macro`, `@value` and inclusion of include files is kept. `Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup` is an abstract class, to be used as a super class for modules implementing specific markup formatting functions called by `Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup`.

The Texinfo Markup Language elements and attributes are not documented, but the Texinfo XML output by the `Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML` subclass (Section 18.1 [Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML], page 74) is a straightforward formatting as XML, and is described by the texinfo DTD. Therefore the texinfo DTD can be used as a description of the structure of both Texinfo XML and of the more abstract Texinfo Markup Language.

17.5 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup METHODS

17.5.1 Markup formatting methods defined by subclasses

The following methods should be implemented by the modules inheriting from `Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup`:

$result = $converter->txi_markup_atom($atom)

> Format the *$atom* symbol string in a simpler way than with an element. For example in XML the formatting of the symbol is achieved with an entity.

$result = $converter->txi_markup_comment($comment_string)

> Format *$comment_string* as a comment.

$result = $converter->txi_markup_convert_text($element)

> Called to format the Texinfo tree *$element* text, which is a reference on a hash. The *$element* text is in the `text` key. The `type` key value may also be set to distinguish the type of text (Section 3.6.2.2 [Texinfo::Parser Types for text elements], page 19). Texinfo tree elements are described in details in Section 3.6 [Texinfo::Parser TEXINFO TREE], page 17.

$result = $converter->txi_markup_element($format_element, $attributes)
$result = $converter->txi_markup_open_element($format_element, $attributes)
$result = $converter->txi_markup_close_element($format_element, $attributes)

> `txi_markup_element` is called for the formatting of empty elements. Otherwise, `txi_markup_open_element` is called when an element is opened, and `txi_markup_close_element` is called when an element is closed. *$format_element* is the element name, *$attributes* is a reference on an array containing references on arrays of pairs, one pair for each attribute, with the attribute name as the first item of the pair and the attribute text as the second item of the pair.

$result = $converter->txi_markup_header()

> Called to format a header at the beginning of output files.

$result = $converter->txi_markup_protect_text($string)

> Protect special character in text for text fragments out of text texinfo tree elements. For example, for spaces at end of line that are ignorable in most output formats, for `@set` or `@macro` arguments.

17.5.2 Formatting state information

A method is available for subclasses to gather information on the formatting state:

$converter->in_monospace()

> Return 1 if in a context where spacing should be kept and `---` or `''` left as is, for example in `@code`, `@example`.

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17.7 Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoMarkup SEE ALSO

Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58. Section 18.1 [Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML], page 74. The `Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoSXML` is another subclass, which outputs SXML. It is not much documented.

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18   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML

18.1   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML NAME

Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML - Convert Texinfo tree to TexinfoXML

18.2   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML SYNOPSIS

```
my $converter
  = Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML->converter({'parser' => $parser});

$converter->output($tree);
$converter->convert($tree);
$converter->convert_tree($tree);
```

18.3   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

18.4   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML converts a Texinfo tree to TexinfoXML.

18.5   Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML METHODS

$converter = Texinfo::Convert::TexinfoXML->converter($options)

> Initialize converter from Texinfo to TexinfoXML.
>
> The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information.
>
> See Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, for more information.

$converter->output($tree)

> Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and output the result in files as described in the Texinfo manual.

$result = $converter->convert($tree)

> Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and return the resulting output.

$result = $converter->convert_tree($tree)

> Convert a Texinfo tree portion *$tree* and return the resulting output. This function does not try to output a full document but only portions. For a full document use `convert`.

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19 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext

19.1 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext NAME

Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext - Convert Texinfo tree to Plaintext

19.2 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext SYNOPSIS

```
my $converter
  = Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext->converter({'parser' => $parser});

$converter->output($tree);
$converter->convert($tree);
$converter->convert_tree($tree);
```

19.3 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext NOTES

The Texinfo Perl module main purpose is to be used in `texi2any` to convert Texinfo to other formats. There is no promise of API stability.

19.4 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext DESCRIPTION

Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext converts a Texinfo tree to Plaintext.

19.5 Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext METHODS

$converter = Texinfo::Convert::Plaintext->converter($options)

Initialize converter from Texinfo to Plaintext.

The *$options* hash reference holds options for the converter. In this option hash reference a Section 3.1 [parser object], page 12, may be associated with the *parser* key. The other options are Texinfo customization options and a few other options that can be passed to the converter. Most of the customization options are described in the Texinfo manual. Those customization options, when appropriate, override the document content. The parser should not be available directly anymore after getting the associated information.

See Section 13.1 [Texinfo::Convert::Converter], page 58, for more information.

$converter->output($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and output the result in files as described in the Texinfo manual.

$result = $converter->convert($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree *$tree* and return the resulting output.

$result = $converter->convert_tree($tree)

Convert a Texinfo tree portion *$tree* and return the resulting output. This function does not try to output a full document but only portions. For a full document use `convert`.

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