Greek Language Support for\newlineXƎLATEXand LuaLATEX\newline\newlineApostolos Syropoulos\newlineXanthi, Greece\newlineasyropoulos@yahoo.com\newline2009/11/23\newlineLast Updated 2024/01/01\newline

Abstract\newlineThe xgreek package provides rudimentary support for Greek language typesetting with XƎLATEX and LuaLATEX. In particular, it provides support for modern Greek (either monotonic or polytonic) and ancient Greek.

1 Introduction\newlineThe xgreek package provides rudimentary support for Greek language typesetting with XƎLATEX and LuaLATEX. Users will be able to typeset documents in either modern Greek (monotonic or polytonic) or ancient Greek by selecting the appropriate package option. The default “language” is monotonic Greek.

Support for LuaLATEX was provided by Javier Bezos.

2 The Source Code of xgreek\newlineAccording to the Unicode standard\newline

http://www.unicode.org/Public/UNIDATA/UnicodeData.txt\newline

the uppercase form of the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER EPSILON WITH TONOS is the letter GREEK CAPITAL LETTER EPSILON WITH TONOS. According to the grammar of the Greek language this is wrong. When text is transformed into uppercase, all letters lose accents and when a letter has GREEK DIALYTIKA TONOS, then only the DIALYTIKA remain. Thus, the uppercase form of the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER IOTA WITH DIALYTIKA AND TONOS is the letter GREEK CAPITAL LETTER IOTA WITH DIALYTIKA. Also, the uppercase form of the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER EPSILON WITH TONOS is the letter GREEK CAPITAL LETTER EPSILON. For ancient Greek something similar holds—All accents and breathings disappear and only the letters having DIALYTIKA keep them. For example, the uppercase form of the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER UPSILON WITH DIALYTIKA AND PERISPOMENI is the letter GREEK CAPITAL LETTER UPSILON WITH DIALYTIKA. In addition, for any lowercase letter that has a GREEK YPOGEGRAMMENI the equivalent uppercase letter is the one with a PROSGEGRAMMENI. For example, the uppercase form of the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER ETA WITH OXIA AND YPOGEGRAMMENI is the letter GREEK CAPITAL LETTER ETA WITH PROSGEGRAMMENI. However, there is one exception: the word GREEK SMALL LETTER ETA WITH PSILI AND OXIA (GREEK SMALL LETTER ETA WITH TONOS in Modern Greek), which is the equivalent of the English word “or.” In order not to confuse it with the feminine article in the nominative case (i.e., the letter GREEK SMALL LETTER ETA WITH DASIA), this article keeps the accent in an uppercase letters only text. Unfortunately, this feature cannot be easily implemented since it would require a rule of the form
It is a fact that \LaTeX{} blindly follows the Unicode standard and so the command \texttt{\MakeUppercase} produces wrong output. For this reason, in previous versions of this package, I introduced many pairs of \texttt{\uccode} and \texttt{\lccode} commands to fix this problem. Quite recently, I realize that these commands do not produce the expected result as the new implementation of the command \texttt{\MakeUppercase} completely ignores these commands. Fortunately, the person who did this re-implementation, defined the new command \texttt{\DeclareUppercaseMapping} which maps the character code of a lowercase letter to the actual uppercase character. The commands that follow implement the grammatical rules of the Greek language except of course the rule for the Greek disjunctive conjunction.

\begin{verbatim}
\message{Package 'xgreek' version 3.3.0 by Apostolos Syropoulos}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{0390}{Ϊ} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{0390}{ΐ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03AC}{Α} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03AC}{ά}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03AD}{Ε} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03AD}{έ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03AE}{Η} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03AE}{ή}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03AF}{Ι} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03AF}{ί}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03B0}{Ϋ} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03B0}{ΰ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03CA}{Ϊ} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03CA}{ϊ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03CB}{Ϋ} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03CB}{ϋ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03CC}{Ο} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03CC}{ό}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03CD}{Υ} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03CD}{ύ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{03CE}{Ω} \DeclareLowercaseMapping{03CE}{ώ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F00}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F01}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F02}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F03}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F04}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F05}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F06}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F07}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F08}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F09}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0A}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0B}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0C}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0D}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0E}{Ε}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F0F}{Ε}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F12}{Η}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F18}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F19}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1A}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1B}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1C}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1D}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1E}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F1F}{Η}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F21}{Η}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F26}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F27}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F28}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F29}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F2A}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F2B}{Ο}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F37}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F38}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F39}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3A}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3B}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3C}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3D}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3E}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F3F}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F40}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F41}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F42}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F43}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{1F44}{Ο}
\end{verbatim}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F45}{Ω}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F50}{Υ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F51}{Υ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F52}{Υ}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F79}{Ο}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F7A}{Τ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F7B}{Τ}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F7C}{Ω}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F7D}{Ω}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F80}{Β}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1F81}{Β}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FAE}{Α}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FB0}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FB1}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FB2}{Α}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FB3}{Α}
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\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FC5}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FC6}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FC7}{Η}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FD2}{Ι}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FD3}{Ι}
\DeclareUppercaseMapping{"1FD6}{Ι}
Next I define the various strings that correspond to the standard \LaTeX\ captions. I first define the strings for monotonic Greek.

\def\prefacename{Πρόλογος}\
\def\refname{Αναφορές}\
\def\abstractname{Περίληψη}\
\def\bibname{Βιβλιογραφία}\
\def\chaptername{Κεφάλαιο}\
\def\appendixname{Παράρτημα}\
\def\contentsname{Περιεχόμενα}\
\def\listfigurename{Κατάλογος σχημάτων}\
\def\listtablename{Κατάλογος πινάκων}\
\def\indexname{Ευρετήριο}\
\def\figurename{Σχήμα}\
\def\tablename{Πίνακας}\
\def\partname{Μέρος}\
\def\enclname{Συνημμένα}\
\def\ccname{Κοινοποίηση}\
\def\headtoname{Προς}\
\def\alsoname{βλέπε ἐπίσης}\
\def\proofname{Απόδειξη}\
\def\glossaryname{Γλώσσαρι}\

Macro \texttt{\polytonicn@mes} is invoked when polytonic Greek is the main language of the document.

\def\polytonicn@mes{%\def\refname{Ἀναφορὲς}\
\def\indexname{Εὑρετήριο}\
\def\figurename{Σχῆμα}\
\def\headtoname{Πρὸς}\
\def\alsoname{βλέπε ἐπίσης}\
\def\proofname{Ἀπόδειξη}\
\def\glossaryname{Γλωσσάρι}%
}%

Macro \texttt{\@ncientn@mes} is invoked when ancient Greek is the main language of the document (Dimitrios Filippou spotted a couple of spelling errors in the list below).

\def\@ncientn@mes{%\def\prefacename{Προοίμιον}\
\def\abstractname{Περίληψις}\
\def\bibname{Βιβλιογραφία}\
\def\chaptername{Κεφάλαιον}\
\def\appendixname{Παράρτημα}\
\def\contentsname{Περιεχόμενα}\
\def\listfigurename{Κατάλογος σχημάτων}\
\def\listtablename{Κατάλογος πινάκων}\
\def\indexname{Εὑρετήριον}\
\def\figurename{Πίναξ}\
\def\tablename{Πίνακες}\
\def\partname{Μέρος}\
\def\enclname{Συνημμένως}\
\def\ccname{Κοινοποίησις}\
\def\headtoname{Πρὸς}\
\def\alsoname{βλέπε ἐπίσης}\
\def\proofname{Ἀπόδειξη}\
\def\glossaryname{Γλωσσάρι}%
}%
I redefine \today so as to produce dates in Greek. The names of months are defined by the macro \gr@month.

\begin{Verbatim}
  \def\gr@month{
  \ifcase\month
    or Ιανουαρίου
    or Φεβρουαρίου
    or Μαρτίου
    or Απριλίου
    or Μαΐου
    or Ιουνίου
    or Ιουλίου
    or Αυγούστου
    or Σεπτεμβρίου
    or Οκτωβρίου
    or Νοεμβρίου
    or Δεκέμβριου
  \fi}
  \def\today{\number\day \space \gr@month \space \number\year}
\end{Verbatim}

When either polytonic Greek or ancient Greek is the main language of the document, then the macro \gr@c@month becomes active.

\begin{Verbatim}
  \def\gr@c@month{
  \ifcase\month
    or Ἰανουαρίου
    or Φεβρουαρίου
    or Μαρτίου
    or Ἀπριλίου
    or Μαΐου
    or Ἰουνίου
    or Ἰουλίου
    or Αὐγούστου
    or Σεπτεμβρίου
    or Ὀκτωβρίου
    or Νοεμβρίου
    or Δεκέμβριου
  \fi}
\end{Verbatim}

Next, I define a few macros that allow one to access characters that are not usually easily accessible from the keyboard (e.g., the sampi or the koppa symbol). The list includes a command for the Unicode symbol \texttt{GREEK ANO TELEIA}, which, in some systems, is confused with MIDDLE DOT. The use of command \texttt{\numer@lsign} will be explained later.

\begin{Verbatim}
  \def\anwtonos{ʹ} %GREEK NUMERAL SIGN
  \let\numer@lsign\anwtonos
  \def\katwtonos{͵} %GREEK LOWER NUMERAL SIGN
  \def\koppa{\char"03DF\relax}
  \def\sampi{\char"03E1\relax}
  \def\digamma{\char"03DC\relax}
  \def\ddigamma{\char"03DD\relax}
  \def\anoteleia{\char"0387\relax}
  \def\euro{\char"20AC\relax}
  \def\permil{\char"2030\relax}
\end{Verbatim}

Many users prefer the use of the letters sigma and tau instead of the stigma symbol in Greek numerals, therefore, by default the \texttt{\stigma} command expands to “στ”.

\begin{Verbatim}
  \def\stigma{στ\relax}
\end{Verbatim}

The following commands take care of the basic rules of typography. Note that the first command changes the way space is added after punctuation symbols and the last two commands force \LaTeX to add indentation space to the first paragraph after a header. Since a number of users need, for their own reasons, to be able to disable this particular feature I have introduced a new package option, namely \texttt{noindentfirst}, which restores the default behavior. In order to be able to do this I need the original value of the boolean variable \texttt{\@afterindentfalse}.

\begin{Verbatim}
  \frenchspacing
  \let\@saveafterindentfalse\@afterindentfalse
  \let\@afterindentfalse\@afterindenttrue
\end{Verbatim}

\LaTeX and \XeTeX have different ways to load hyphenation patterns. Package \texttt{luahyphenrules} by Javier Bezos facilitates this process for people who want to use \LaTeX and the “traditional” way to load hyphenation patterns. To ensure proper inclusion of \LaTeX staff, I use the following “idiom”:

\begin{Verbatim}
  \ifx\directlua\undefined non \LaTeX code\else \LaTeX code\fi
The code that follows specifies which hyphenation patterns will be active. The \Helm code is quite standard and depends on the babel pattern loading mechanism, while the Lua\Helm code uses the \HyphenRules macro, which has essentially the functionality of the \selectlanguage macro.

If a user wants to use the stigma symbol in Greek numerals, she should use the stigma option.

As noted above, the new option noindentfirst restores the default LaTeX behavior of adding no indentation to the first paragraph after any header.

Nowadays it is customary in Greece to use Greek numerals without the GREEK NUMERAL SIGN at the end of a numeral. Thus, the nonumeralsign option disables the typesetting of the GREEK NUMERAL SIGN at the end of Greek numerals.

Package \texttt{listings} does not work properly with UTF-8 encoded files. So this option should be used whenever one wants to use this package and see Greek text come out correctly. In version 3.1.0 of this package, I included code that modified the source code of package \texttt{listings}. However, this decision was wrong. In particular, when one did not use the corresponding \texttt{listings} option, processing of the input file stopped with an error message about a text line that contains an invalid character. So the best way to solve this problem was to move the code to a different file and create essentially a new package. This package is automatically loaded when the user specifies the \texttt{listings} option. To make this possible, I used a boolean variable.

By default the monogreek option is activated.

If the user has enabled the \texttt{listings} option, then the package loads the package \texttt{xelistings}.

Now I am going to define the macros that typeset alphabetic Greek numerals. The code is borrowed from the Greek option for the babel package.
When the argument of \texttt{\greeknumeral} has a value outside of the acceptable bounds ($0 < x < 999999$) a warning will be issued (and nothing will be printed).

\begin{verbatim}
\def\gr\ill\value#1{% \PackageWarning{xgreek}{Illegal value (#1) for greeknumeral}}
\end{verbatim}

When a large number with three trailing zeros is to be printed those zeros and the numeric mark need to be discarded. As each ‘digit’ is processed by a separate macro and because the processing needs to be expandable we need some helper macros that help remember to not print the numeric mark ($\texttt{\numeral\lsign}$).

The command \texttt{\anw@false} switches the printing of the numeric mark off by making \texttt{\anw@print} expand to nothing. The command \texttt{\anw@true} (re)enables the printing of the numeric mark. These macro’s need to be robust in order to prevent improper expansion during writing to files or during \texttt{\uppercase}.

\begin{verbatim}
\DeclareRobustCommand\anw@false{% \DeclareRobustCommand\anw@print{}}
\DeclareRobustCommand\anw@true{% \DeclareRobustCommand\anw@print{\numeral\lsign}}
\end{verbatim}

This command is used to get Greek numerals. The command uses \texttt{\numeral\lsign} to get the NUMERAL SIGN. Obviously, when the user has specified the \texttt{nonumeralsign} option, then numeral comes out without the trailing NUMERAL SIGN. However, when a user wants to typeset a Greek numeral, the numeral must come out correctly, regardless of what appears in headers, etc. And that is exactly the reason why this command is inaccessible to users. The command \texttt{\greeknumeral} needs to be fully expandable in order to get the right information in auxiliary files. Therefore we use a big \texttt{\if\if\else\fi} construction to check the value of the argument and start the parsing at the right level.

\begin{verbatim}
\def\@greeknumeral#1{% \ifnum\value<\one\PackageWarning{\greeknumeral}{Negative value (#1) for \greeknumeral}}
\else
  \ifnum\value<10\texttt{\anw@false}\else
    \ifnum\value<100\texttt{\anw@true}\else
      \ifnum\value<1000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
        \ifnum\value<10000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
          \ifnum\value<100000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
            \ifnum\value<1000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
              \ifnum\value<10000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                \ifnum\value<100000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                  \ifnum\value<1000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                    \ifnum\value<10000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                      \ifnum\value<100000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                        \ifnum\value<1000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                          \ifnum\value<10000000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                            \ifnum\value<100000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                              \ifnum\value<1000000000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                                \ifnum\value<10000000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                                  \space\PackageWarning{\greeknumeral}{Value (1) for \greeknumeral}}
                                \fi
                              \fi
                            \fi
                          \fi
                        \fi
                      \fi
                    \fi
                  \fi
                \fi
              \fi
            \fi
          \fi
        \fi
      \fi
    \fi
  \fi
\fi
\fi
\end{verbatim}

If the value is too large, nothing is printed and a warning is issued.

The available shorthands for 1,000 ($\texttt{\@m}$) and 10,000 ($\texttt{\@M}$) are used to save a few tokens.

\begin{verbatim}
\ifnum\value<\@m\texttt{\anw@false}\else
  \ifnum\value<\@M\texttt{\anw@true}\else
    \ifnum\value<1000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
      \ifnum\value<10000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
        \ifnum\value<100000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
          \ifnum\value<1000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
            \ifnum\value<10000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
              \ifnum\value<100000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                \ifnum\value<1000000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                  \ifnum\value<10000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                    \ifnum\value<100000000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                      \ifnum\value<1000000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                        \ifnum\value<10000000000000000\texttt{\anw@false}\else
                          \ifnum\value<100000000000000000\texttt{\anw@true}\else
                            \space\PackageWarning{\greeknumeral}{Value (1) for \greeknumeral}}
                          \fi
                        \fi
                      \fi
                    \fi
                  \fi
                \fi
              \fi
            \fi
          \fi
        \fi
      \fi
    \fi
  \fi
\fi
\end{verbatim}

What is left to make complete the definition of command \texttt{\greeknumeral} is a set of macros to produce the various digits.
As there is no “digit” representing 0 in this system, the zeros are simply discarded. When there is a large number with three trailing zeros also the numeric mark is discarded. Therefore these macros need to pass the information to each other about the (non-)translation of a zero.

\def\gr@num@i#1{% 
  \ifcase#1\or α\or β\or γ\or δ\or ε\or \stigma\or ζ\or η\or θ\fi
  \ifnum#1=\z@\else\anw@true\fi\ifnum\z@\else\anw@false\fi\gr@num@ii
}\def\gr@num@ii#1{% 
  \ifcase#1\or ι\or κ\or λ\or μ\or ν\or ξ\or ο\or π\or \koppa\fi
  \ifnum#1=\z@\else\anw@true\fi\ifnum\z@\else\anw@false\fi\gr@num@iii
}\def\gr@num@iii#1{% 
  \ifcase#1\or ρ\or σ\or τ\or υ\or φ\or χ\or ψ\or ω\or \sampi\fi
  \ifnum#1=\z@\else\anw@false\fi\gr@num@iv
}\def\gr@num@iv#1{% 
  \ifnum#1=\z@\else\katwtonos\fi
  \ifcase#1\or α\or β\or γ\or δ\or ε\or \stigma\or ζ\or η\or θ\fi
  \gr@num@iii
}\def\gr@num@v#1{% 
  \ifnum#1=\z@\else\katwtonos\fi
  \ifcase#1\or ι\or κ\or λ\or μ\or ν\or ξ\or ο\or π\or \koppa\fi
  \gr@num@iv
}\def\gr@num@vi#1{% 
  \katwtonos
  \ifcase#1\or ρ\or σ\or τ\or υ\or φ\or χ\or ψ\or ω\or \sampi\fi
  \gr@num@v
}

The first three “digits” always have the numeric mark, except when one is discarded because it’s value is zero.

\def\@Greeknumeral#1{\expandafter\MakeUppercase\expandafter{\@greeknumeral{#1}}}

The command \@Greeknumeral prints uppercase Greek numerals. The parsing is performed by the macro \@greeknumeral. The printing of the NUMERAL SIGN depends on the value of \numer@lsign.

\def\greeknumeral#1{\let\@numer@lsign\numer@lsign\let\numer@lsign\anwtonos\@greeknumeral{#1}\let\numer@lsign\@numer@lsign}

This command prints lowercase Greek numerals and the NUMERAL SIGN is always printed.

\def\Greeknumeral#1{\let\@numer@lsign\numer@lsign\let\numer@lsign\anwtonos\Greeknumeral{#1}\let\numer@lsign\@numer@lsign}

This command prints uppercase Greek numerals and the NUMERAL SIGN is always printed.

The alphabetic numbering system is not the only numbering system employed by Greeks. In fact, Greeks used various systems that are now known as acrophonic numbering systems. Many scholars are familiar with the acrophonic Attic numbering system and the command \atticnum can be used to generate acrophonic Attic numerals. The acrophonic Attic numbering system, like the Roman one, employs letters to denote important numbers. Multiple occurrence of a letter denote a multiple of the “important” number, e.g., the letter I denotes 1, so III denotes 3. Here are the basic digits used in the acrophonic Attic numbering system:

- I denotes the number one (1)
- II denotes the number two (2)
- III denotes the number three (3)
- Δ denotes the number ten (10)
\@@atticnum

Now, let me define the macro \@@atticnum. This macro uses one integer variable (or counter in \TeX{}’s jargon.)

After assigning to variable \@@atticnum the value of the macro’s argument, we make sure that the argument is in the expected range, i.e., it is greater than zero, and less or equal to 249999. In case it is not, it simply produces a space, warns the user about it and quits. Although, the \atticnum macro is capable to produce an Athenian numeral for even greater integers, the following argument by Claudio Beccari convinced me to place this upper limit:

According to psychological perception studies (that ancient Athenians and Romans perfectly knew without needing to study Freud and Jung) living beings (which includes at least all vertebrates, not only humans) can perceive up to four randomly set objects of the same kind without the need of counting, the latter activity being a specific acquired ability of human kind; the biquinary numbering notation used by the Athenians and the Romans exploits this natural characteristic of human beings.

Having done all the necessary checks, it is possible to proceed with the actual computation. If the number is greater than 49999, then it certainly has at least one 𐅇 “digit”. The macro finds all such digits by continuously subtracting 50000 from \@@atticnum, until \@@atticnum becomes less than 50000.

Next the macro checks for tens of thousands.

Since a number can have only one 𐅇 “digit” (equivalent to 5000), it is easy to check whether is should have one and produce the corresponding numeral when it does have one.

The macro should also check for thousands, the same way it checked for tens of thousands.
Since a numeral can have at most one F “digit” (equivalent to 500), this should be handled the way the macro handled the case of the five thousands “digit”.

\ifnum\attic@num>499\%
    \vspace{0\baselineskip}\advance\attic@num-500\%
\fi

It is time to check hundreds, which follow the same pattern as thousands.

\@whilenum\attic@num>99\do{%
    \H\advance\attic@num-100}%

A numeral can have only one F “digit” (equivalent to 50).

\ifnum\attic@num>49\%
    \vspace{0\baselineskip}\advance\attic@num-50\%
\fi

The macro now checks now for tens digit.

\@whilenum\attic@num>9\do{%
    \Delta\advance\attic@num by-10}%

Finally, it has to check for fives and the digits 1, 2, 3, and 4.

\@whilenum\attic@num>4\do{%
    \Pi\advance\attic@num-5}%

\ifcase\attic@num\or Ι\or ΙΙ\or ΙΙΙ\or ΙΙΙΙ\fi%
\fi

The command \@atticnum has one argument, which is a counter. It calls the command \@@atticnum to process the value of the counter.

\def\@atticnum#1{%
    \expandafter\@@atticnum\expandafter{\the#1}}

\atticnum The command \atticnum is a wrapper that declares a new counter in a local scope, assigns to it the value of the argument of the command and calls the macro \@atticnum. This way the command can process correctly either a number or a counter.

\def\atticnum#1{%
    \@attic@num#1\relax
    \@@atticnum{\@attic@num}}

\greek@alph \greek@Alph Here I redefine the macros \@alph and \@Alph. First, I define some placeholders

\let\latin@alph\@alph
\let\latin@Alph\@Alph

Then I define the Greek versions; the additional \expandafter\@ are needed in order to make sure the table of contents will be correct (e.g., when there are appendices).

\def\greek@alph#1{%\expandafter\@greeknumeral\expandafter{\the#1}}
\def\greek@Alph#1{%\expandafter\@Greeknumeral\expandafter{\the#1}}

By default, Greek alphabetic numerals instead of Latin numerals are used to enumerate items in an enumeration environment.

\let\@alph\greek@alph
\let\@Alph\greek@Alph

If for some reason, one needs to have the Latin numerals back, then she has to invoke command \nogreekalph. And if she wants to switch back, then she has to use the \greekalph command:

\def\nogreekalph{%
    \let\@alph\latin@alph
    \let\@Alph\latin@Alph}
\def\greekalph{%
    \let\@alph\greek@alph
    \let\@Alph\greek@Alph
We provide the \texttt{\setlanguage} command which activates the hyphenation patterns of some other language. It is similar to babel’s \texttt{\selectlanguage}, but we opted to use a new name to avoid possible name conflicts. Valid arguments include \texttt{monogreek}, \texttt{polygreek}, \texttt{ancientgreek}, and \texttt{american}. As was noted previously, package luahyphenrules provides the command \texttt{\HyphenRules} which has exactly the same functionality as this command. So when using LuaLaTeX users will actually use the \texttt{\HyphenRules} command.

\begin{verbatim}
351 \ifx\directlua\undefined%
352 \def\setlanguage#1{%
353 \expandafter\ifx\csname l@#1\endcsname\relax%
354 \typeout{\textasciitilde\textasciitilde\textasciitilde Error: No hyphenation pattern for}\%
355 \typeout{ language #1 are loaded,}%
356 \typeout{ default hyphenation patterns are used.\textasciitilde\textasciitilde\textasciitilde}%
357 \language=0%
358 \else\language=\csname l@#1\endcsname\fi}
359 \else
360 \let\setlanguage\HyphenRules
361 \fi
\end{verbatim}

The macros \texttt{\grtoday} and \texttt{\Grtoday} produces the current date, only that the month and the day are shown as Greek numerals instead of Arabic as it is usually the case. In addition, the two commands differ in that the later produces the Greek numerals in uppercase.

\begin{verbatim}
362 \def\grtoday{%
363 \expandafter\greeknumeral\expandafter{\the\day}\space
364 \gr@c@month\space
365 \expandafter\greeknumeral\expandafter{\the\year}}
366 \def\Grtoday{%
367 \expandafter\Greeknumeral\expandafter{\the\day}\space
368 \gr@c@month\space
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371 \langle\texttt{xelisting}\rangle
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374 \lst@InputCatcodes
375 \def\lst@DefEC{%
376 \lst@CCECUse \lst@ProcessLetter
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\lst@RestoreCatcodes
\langle /xelisting \rangle

\end{document}