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new renderer for plasTEX: Gerby, see
`https://github.com/pbelmans/plastex/tree/gerby`

1. whenever *something* (section, lemma, equation) has a label, look up its tag
2. convert *something* to HTML, and write this to a text file
3. filename contains some metadata:
   `lemma-10.19.1-00DV-algebra-lemma-NAK.tag`
4. proofs are separate entities (because `\begin{proof}...\end{proof}` is outside the environment)

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3. Jinja2 is what is used in plasTEX too

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different setup? maybe use JavaScript to have a setup which works on mobile devices?

Possible new features?

we have a brainstorm session on Thursday