



Junicode

the font for medievalists



specimens and user manual

for version 2



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About Junicode

The design of Junicode is based on scans of George Hickes, *Linguarum vett. septentrionalium thesaurus grammatico-criticus et archaeologicus* (Oxford, 1703–5). This massive two-volume folio is a fine example of the work of the Oxford University Press at this period: printed in multiple types (for every language had to have its proper type) and lavishly illustrated with engravings of manuscript pages, coins and artifacts.

The type used for Hickes’s *Thesaurus* resembles those assembled by John Fell (1625–86) and bequeathed by him to the University of Oxford. To my eye, however, it looks more like the “Pica Roman” purchased by the University in 1692 than like any of Fell’s. For printing in Old English, this type was supplemented by the “Pica Saxon” commissioned by the literary scholar Franciscus Junius (1591–1677) and bequeathed by him to the University. Specimens of both can be found in *A Specimen of the Several Sorts of Letter Given to the University by Dr. John Fell, Sometime Lord Bishop of Oxford. To Which Is Added the Letter Given by Mr. F. Junius* (Oxford, 1693). Junius’s Pica Saxon was mixed freely with Pica Roman in printing the *Thesaurus*.

Junicode includes two Greek faces, one for the roman font and another for the italic. The first is newly designed to harmonize with Junicode, and the other, accompanying the italic face, is based on type designed by Alexander Wilson (1714–86) of Glasgow and used in numerous books published by the Foulis Press, most notably the great Glasgow Homer of

1756–58.

The font dates from 1998, when the developer began to revise his older (early 1990s) “Junius” fonts for medievalists to take account of the Unicode system standard, then relatively new. The font’s name, a contraction of “Junius Unicode,” was supposed to be a stopgap, serving until a more suitable name could be found, but the name “Junicode” is now so well known that it can’t be changed. The project has been active for its entire history, responding to frequent requests from users and changes in font technology; the developer is now pushing towards the release of Junicode version 2, an extended font family of five weights and five widths, with both static and variable versions, which aims to promote best practices in the presentation of medieval texts, especially in the area of accessibility. This aspect of the font is explored in the Introduction to the Feature Reference.

Users need to be aware that Junicode version 2 is a beta, unstable and incomplete. Until the official release of version 2 (probably sometime in 2022), versions of Junicode numbered 1.NNN should be used for projects that require stability. The latest stable version can be downloaded [here](#).

Specimens

Old and Middle English

Wē æthrynon mid ūrum ārum þā yðan þæs dēopan wāles; wē gesāwon ēac þā muntas ymbe þære sealtan sē strande, and wē mid āðenedum hrægle and gesundfullum windum þær gewīcodon on þām gemærum þære fægerestan þēode. Þā yðan getācniað þisne dēopan cræft, and þā muntas getācniað ēac þā micelnyssa þisses cræftes. (Regular)

Siþen þe sege and þe assault watz sesed at Troye,
þe borȝ brittened and brent to brondez and askez,
þe tulk þat þe trammes of tresoun þer wroȝt
Watz tried for his tricherie, þe trewest on erthe:
Hit watz Ennias þe athel, and his highe kynde,
þat siþen depreced prouinces, and patrounes bicomē
Welneȝe of al þe wele in þe west iles. (SemiExpanded)

Apply the OpenType feature ss02 (Stylistic Set 2) for insular letter-forms.

Her cýnepulŕ benam riȝebryht hīŕ riȝer ȝ peŕŕŕeaxna riȝtan ƿop unŕyhtum ðeðū buton hamtúnŕŕiȝe
ȝ he hæfðe þa oþ he ofŕloȝ þone alðorpmoŕ þe hī lenȝerȝ punode ȝ hiene þa cýnepulŕ on andŕeð aðŕæfðe
ȝ h̅ þær punaðe oþ þæt hine án ŕŕán ofŕtanȝ æt ŕŕýŕeteŕflodan ȝ he ŕŕeȝ þone alðorpmoŕ cumbŕan ȝ
ŕe cýnepulŕ ofŕ miclum ȝeŕeohtum ŕeaht uuīþ bŕetpalū. (SemiCondensed)

Old Icelandic

For Nordic shapes of þ and ð in an English context, specify the appropriate language (e.g. Icelandic or Norwegian); or apply the OpenType ss01 (Stylistic Set 1) feature.

Um haustit sendi Mǫrðr Valgarðsson orð at Gunnarr myndi vera einn heimi, en lið alt myndi vera niðri í eyjum at lúka heyverkum. Riðu þeir Gizurr Hvíti ok Geirr Goði austr

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yfir ár, þegar þeir spurðu þat, ok austr yfir sanda til Hofs. Þá sendu þeir orð Starkaði undir Þríhyrningi; ok fundusk þeir þar allir er at Gunnari skyldu fara, ok réðu hversu at skyldi fara. (SemiExpanded Medium)

Runic

ÞÍΛΚ ÞÍΡÐΛΝ ÞΝΡΨ Þ† ÞΜRXΜ†ΒΜRIX ΡΨΡ† ΧΨ:ΓRIK XRΨR† ÞΨR ΝΜ Ψ† XRΜΛ† ΧΙΓΡΨΜ
ΝΡΨ†ΨΓ ΒΨ†
ΡΨΜΡΨΓΛΓ Ψ†Θ RΜΛΜΡΨΓΛΓ †ΡΩΧΜ† ΧΙΒΡΨΨΨΡ ΨΨΩΜΜΨ ΜΙΨ ΡΛΝΙΨ Ψ† ΡΨΜΨΛΨΓ†:
ΨΨΨ Λ††ΜΧ (Expanded)

German

Ich fag üch aber / minen fründen / Fōzchtēd üch nit vo2 denen die den lyb tōdend / vnd darnach nichts habennd
das fy mer thūgind. Ich wil üch aber zeigē vo2 welchem ir üch fōzchten follend. Fōzchtend üch vo2 dem / der
/ nach dem er tōdet hat / ouch macht hat zewerffen inn die hell: ja ich fag üch / vo2 dem selben fōzchtēd üch.
Koufft man nit fünff Sparen vñ zween pfennig? (Condensed)

Latin

Junicon contains the most common Latin abbreviations, making it suitable for diplomatic editions of Latin texts.

Adiuuanos dī salutaris noster & pp̄t glām nominis tui dnē libanof. & ppitiuſ esto peccatis nostris
pp̄ter nomen tuum. Ne forte dicant ingentib: ubi est dī eorum & innotescat innationib: corā
oculis nr̄is. Posuerunt mosticina feruorū ruorū escaſ uolatilib: celi carnes scōz tuoꝝ bestiis tenice.
Facti sum⁹ obpbrium uicinis nr̄is. (Light)

Gothic

jabai auk hvas gasaihþiþ þuk þana habandan kunþi in galiuge stada anakumbjandan, niu miþwissei is
siukis wisandins timrjada du galiugagudam gasaliþ matjan? fraqistniþ auk sa unmahteiga ana þeinamma
witubnja broþar in þize Xristus gaswalt. swaþ þan frawaurkjandans wiþra broþruns, slahandans ize gahugd
siuka, du Xristau frawaurkeiþ. (SemiCondensed Light)

Use ss19 to produce Gothic letters automatically from transliterated text.

ƆΛΒΛΙ ΛΠΚ ΘΛΣ ƆΛΣΛΙΘΙΨ ΦΠΚ ΦΛΝΛ ΗΛΒΛΝΔΛΝ ΚΠΝΦΙ ΙΝ ƆΛΛΙΠΓƆ ΣΤΛΔΛ ΛΝΛΚΠΜ-
ΒƆΛΝΔΛΝ, ΝΠΠ ΜΙΨΥΙΣΣΕΙ ΙΣ ΣΠΚΙΣ ΥΙΣΛΝΔΙΝΣ ΤΙΜƆƆΛΔΛ ΔΠ ƆΛΛΙΠΓΛΓΠΔΛΜ

ΓΛΣΛΛΙΨ ΜΛΤΓΛΝ? ΓΛΒΛΙ ΛΗΚ ΘΛΣ ΓΛΣΛΙΘΙΨ ΨΗΚ ΨΛΝΛ ΗΛΒΛΝΔΛΝ ΚΗΝΨΙ ΙΝ ΓΛ-
ΛΙΗΓΕ ΣΤΛΔΛ ΛΝΛΚΗΜΒΓΛΝΔΛΝ, ΝΙΗ ΜΙΨΥΙΣΣΕΙ ΙΣ ΣΙΗΚΙΣ ΥΙΣΛΝΔΙΝΣ ΤΙΜΚΓΛΔΛ
ΔΗ ΓΛΛΙΗΓΛΓΗΔΛΜ ΓΛΣΛΛΙΨ ΜΛΤΓΛΝ? (SemiExpanded Bold)

Sanskrit Transliteration

mānaṁ dvividhaṁ viṣayadvai vidyātsaktyaśaktitaḥ
arthakriyāyāṁ keśadīrṇārtho 'narthādhimokṣataḥ

sadr̥śāsadr̥śatvācca viṣayāviṣayatvataḥ
śabdasyānyanimittānāṁ bhāve dhīśadasattvataḥ (SemiCondensed Semibold)

International Phonetic Alphabet

hwan θat a:pril wiθ is ju:rəs so:tə θə druxt ɔf martʃ haθ pe:rsəd to: θə ro:te and ba:ðəd enri
væin in swiʃf liku:r ɔf hwiʃf vertiu endʒendrəd is θə flu:r hwan zefirus e:k wiθ his swe:tə bræ:θ
(Regular)

Greek

βίβλος γενέσεως ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ υἱοῦ δαυὶδ υἱοῦ ἀβραάμ. ἀβραάμ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰσαάκ, ἰσαάκ
δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰακώβ, ἰακώβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰούδαν καὶ τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς αὐτοῦ, ἰούδας δὲ
ἐγέννησεν τὸν φάρες καὶ τὸν ζάρα ἐκ τῆς θαμάρ, φάρες δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἑσρώμ, ἑσρώμ δὲ
ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἄράμ, ἄράμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἀμιναδάβ, ἀμιναδάβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ναασσών,
ναασσών δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν σαλμών, σαλμών δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν βόες ἐκ τῆς ραχά (Regular)

βίβλος γενέσεως ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ υἱοῦ δαυὶδ υἱοῦ ἀβραάμ. ἀβραάμ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰσαάκ,
ἰσαάκ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰακώβ, ἰακώβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἰούδαν καὶ τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς αὐτοῦ,
ἰούδας δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν φάρες καὶ τὸν ζάρα ἐκ τῆς θαμάρ, φάρες δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἑσρώμ,
ἑσρώμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἄράμ, ἄράμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν ἀμιναδάβ, ἀμιναδάβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν
ναασσών, ναασσών δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν σαλμών, σαλμών δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν βόες ἐκ τῆς ραχά (Italic)

Lithuanian

Lithuanian poses several typographical challenges. Make sure Contextual Alternates (calt) is turned on; for ĭ, use ĭ followed by combining dot accent (U+0307) and acute (U+0301).

Visa žemė turėjo vieną kalbą ir tuos pačius žodžius. Kai žmonės kėlėsi iš rytų, jie

rado slēnį Šinaro krašte ir ten įsikūrė. Vieni kitiems sakė: Eime, pasidirbkime plytų ir jas išdekime. – Vietoj akmens jie naudojo plytas, o vietoj kalkių – bitumą. Eime, – jie sakė, – pasistatykime miestą ir bokštą su dangų siekiančia viršūne ir pasidarykime sau vardą, kad nebūtume išblaškyti po visą žemės veidą. (Expanded)

Polish

The default shape and position of ogonek in Junicode are suitable for modern Polish. For the medieval Latin e-caudata, consider using cv62.

Mieszkańcy całej ziemi mieli jedną mowę, czyli jednakowe słowa. A gdy wędrowali ze wschodu, napotkali równinę w kraju Szinear i tam zamieszkali. I mówili jeden do drugiego: Chodźcie, wyrabiamy cegłę i wypalmy ją w ogniu. A gdy już mieli cegłę zamiast kamieni i smołę zamiast zaprawy murarskiej, rzekli: Chodźcie, zbudujemy sobie miasto i wieżę, której wierzchołek będzie sięgał nieba, i w ten sposób uczynimy sobie znak, abyśmy się nie rozproszyli po całej ziemi. (Condensed Bold)

Fleurons

Junicode contains a number of fleurons (floral ornaments) copied from a 1785 Caslon specimen book. Access these via the OpenType feature [ornm](#). Fleurons have only one weight and width, and they are the same in roman and italic.



Getting Started with Junicode

With more than 4,700 characters, Junicode is a large font. Finding the things you want in a collection that size can be a challenge, and then entering them in your documents is another challenge. This document will help, but it presupposes a certain amount of knowledge—for example, how to install a font in Windows, Mac OS or Linux and how to install and use different kinds of software.

Medievalists will find the [*MUFI Character Recommendation*](#), version 4.0 (2015) an essential supplement to this document. The *Recommendation* lists thousands of characters identified by the Medieval Unicode Font Initiative as being of interest to medievalists. Junicode contains all of these characters. There are two versions of the *Recommendation*: you will probably find the “Alphabetical Order” version most helpful.

From the *MUFI Character Recommendation* or, alternatively, the Junicode *List of Encoded Characters* (packaged with the font) you can find out the **code points**¹ of the characters you need. These code points can be used to enter characters in your documents when they cannot be typed on the keyboard.

To enter any Unicode character in a Windows application, type its four-digit code, followed by Alt-X. To do the same in the Mac OS, first install and switch to the “Unicode Hex Input” keyboard, then type the code while holding down the Option key. In most Linux distributions you can enter a code by typing Shift-Control-U, then the code followed by Return or Enter.

Combining marks (diacritics and certain abbreviation signs) can pose special problems for medievalists. Unicode contains a great many **precomposed characters** consisting of a base letter plus one or more marks. If these are all you need you’re fortunate—especially if they can be typed on an international keyboard (not all can).² But medieval

¹A Unicode code point is a numerical identifier for a character. It is generally expressed as a four-digit hexadecimal (or base-16) number with a prefix of “U+”. The letter capital “A,” for example, is U+0041 (65 in decimal notation), and lowercase “3” (Middle English yogh) is U+021D.

²Both Windows and the Mac OS come with international keyboards that make it easy to type special

manuscripts frequently contain combinations of base + mark that are not used in modern written languages. For these, you’ll have to enter bases and marks separately.

To position a mark correctly over a base character, first enter the base, followed by the mark or marks. The sequence **m** + ◌̈ (U+1DD9) will make **m̈**; **y** + ◌̄ (U+0304) + ◌̆ (U+0306) will make **ÿ**; **e** + ◌̣ (U+0323) + ◌̈ (U+1DE0) will make **ē**.

More than sixteen hundred characters in Junicode can only be accessed via OpenType features—that is, by way of the programming built into the font—and many others *should* be accessed that way for reasons explained in the Introduction to the Feature Reference section of this document.

For example, some programs (including Microsoft Word) produce small caps by scaling capitals down to approximately the height of lowercase letters. These always look too thin and light. But Junicode contains hundreds of TRUE SMALL CAPS designed to harmonize with the surrounding text. These can only be accessed via the OpenType **smcp** feature, which you can apply to a run of text much as you apply italic or bold styles: select some text and then apply the feature.

Unfortunately, not every program supports OpenType features, and some that do either support only a few or make them difficult to access. Programs that support Junicode’s features fully include the free word processor [LibreOffice Writer](#), all major browsers (Firefox, Chrome, Safari and Edge), and the typesetting programs Lua^LA^TE^X and X^LA^TE^X. Adobe InDesign supports OpenType features only partially, but provides access to all of Junicode’s characters through its own interface.

Microsoft Word, unfortunately, provides only limited support for OpenType features. It supports the [Required Features](#) discussed below, and also variant number forms and Stylistic Sets (though only one at a time). Many characters (for example, TRUE SMALL CAPS and those accessible only via Character Variant features) cannot be accessed at all. To activate Word’s OpenType support, you must open the “Font” dialog, click over to the “Advanced” tab, and check the “Kerning” box. (Oddly, the “Kerning” box enables all other OpenType features.) Then, in the same tab, select Standard Ligatures, Contextual Alternates, and any other features you want. OpenType features are best applied to character styles rather than directly to text: this will save you from having to perform this operation repeatedly.

It is also good to set the language properly for the text you’re working on. Programs like Word will automatically set the language to the default for your system. If you change to a language other than your own for a passage (or even a single word), you

letters and diacritics. To find out how to enable these, search online for “Mac OS International Keyboard” or “Windows International Keyboard.”

should set the language for that passage appropriately. This will unlock a number of capabilities. For example, in Old and Middle English, Word and other programs will use the English form of thorn and eth (þð), and in ancient Greek you will be able to type accents after vowels instead of looking up the codes for hundreds of polytonic vowels. But these and other capabilities are only available when you set the language correctly.

In LibreOffice and InDesign you can set the language with a drop-down menu in the “Character” dialog. In Word there is a separate “Language” dialog, accessible from the “Tools” menu.

If you have questions about any aspect of Junicode, post a query in the [Junicode discussion forum](#). If you notice a bug, please open an [issue](#) at the font’s [development site](#). If you need help with programming, subsetting or other tasks, contact the developer directly.³

³b dot tarde at gmail dot com.

Feature Reference

Introduction

The OpenType features of Junicode version 2 and its variable counterpart (hereafter referred to together as “Junicode”) have two purposes. One is to provide convenient access to the rich character set of the Medieval Unicode Font Initiative (MUFI) recommendation. The other is to enable best practices in the presentation of medieval text, promoting accessibility in electronic texts from PDFs to e-books to web pages.

Each character in the MUFI recommendation has a code point associated with it: either the one assigned by Unicode or, where the character is not recognized by Unicode, in the Private Use Area (PUA) of the Basic Multilingual Plane, a block of codes, running from U+E000 to U+F8FF, that are assigned no value by Unicode but instead are available for font designers to use in any way they please.

The problem with PUA code points is precisely their lack of any value. Consider, as a point of comparison, the letter **a** (U+0061). Your computer, your phone, and probably a good many other devices around the house store a good bit of information about this **a**: that it’s a letter in the Latin script, that it’s lowercase, and that the uppercase equivalent is **A** (U+0041). All this information is available to word processors, browsers, and other applications running on your computer.

Now suppose you’re preparing an electronic text containing what MUFI calls LATIN SMALL LETTER NECKLESS A (**a**). It is assigned to code point U+F215, which belongs to the PUA. Beyond that, your computer knows nothing about it: not that it is a variant of **a**, or that it is lowercase, or a letter in the Latin alphabet, or even a character in a language system. A screen reader cannot read, or even spell out, a word with U+F215 in it; a search engine will not recognize the word as containing the letter **a**.

Junicode offers the full range of MUFI characters—you can enter the PUA code points—but also a solution to the problems posed by those code points. Think of an electronic text (a web page, perhaps, or a PDF) as having two layers: an underlying text,

stable and unchanging, and the displayed text, generated by software at the instant it is needed and discarded when it is no longer on the screen. For greatest accessibility the underlying text should contain the plain letter **a** (U+0061) along with markup indicating how it should be displayed. To generate the displayed text, a program called a “layout engine” will (simplifying a bit here) read the markup and apply the OpenType feature **cv02[5]**⁴ to the underlying **a**, bypassing the PUA code point, with the result that readers see **a**—the “neckless a.” And yet the letter will still register as **a** with search engines, screen readers, and so on.

This is the Junicode model for text display, but it is not peculiar to Junicode: it is widely considered to be the best practice for displaying text using current font technology.

The full range of OpenType features listed in this document is supported by all major web browsers, LibreOffice, XeTeX, LuaTeX, and (presumably) other document processing applications. All characters listed here are available in Adobe InDesign, though that program supports only a selection of OpenType features. Microsoft Word, unfortunately, supports only Stylistic Sets, ligatures (all but the standard ones in peculiar and probably useless combinations), number variants, and the [Required Features](#). In terms of OpenType support, Word is the most primitive of the major text processing applications.

Many MUFI characters cannot be produced by using the OpenType variants of Junicode. These characters fall into three categories:

- Those with Unicode (non-PUA) code points. MUFI has done valuable work obtaining Unicode code points for medieval characters. All such characters (those with hexadecimal codes that *do not* begin with **E** or **F**) are presumed safe to use in accessible and searchable text. However, some of these are covered by Junicode OpenType features for particular reasons.
- Precomposed characters—those consisting of base character + one or more diacritics. For greatest accessibility, these should be entered not as PUA code points, but

⁴Many OpenType features produce different outcomes depending on an index passed to an application’s layout engine along with the feature tag. Different applications have different ways of entering this index: consult your application’s documentation. Here, the index is recorded in brackets after the feature tag. Users of fontspec (with Xe_LA_TE_X or Lua_TE_X) should also be aware that fontspec indexes start at zero while OpenType indexes start at one. Therefore all index numbers listed in this document must be reduced by one for use with fontspec.

rather as sequences consisting of base character + one or more diacritics. For example, instead of MUFI U+E498 LATIN SMALL LETTER E WITH DOT BELOW AND ACUTE, use **e** + U+0323 COMBINING DOT BELOW + U+0301 COMBINING ACUTE ACCENT: **é** (when applying combining marks, start with any marks below the character and work downwards, then continue with any marks above the character and work upwards. For example, to make **ő**, place characters in this order: **o**, COMBINING OGONEK U+0328, COMBINING DOT BELOW U+0323, COMBINING MACRON U+0304, COMBINING ACUTE U+0301). Some MUFI characters have marks in unconventional locations, e.g. **ö** LATIN SMALL LETTER O WITH DOT ABOVE AND ACUTE, where the acute appears beside the dot instead of above. This and other characters like it should still be entered as a sequence of base character + marks (here **o**, COMBINING DOT ABOVE U+0307, COMBINING ACUTE U+0301). Junicode will position the marks correctly.

- Characters for which a base character (a Unicode character to which it can be linked) cannot be identified, or for which there may be an inconsistency in the MUFI recommendation. These include:
 - **fl** U+E8AF. This is a ligature of long **s** and **l** with stroke, but there are no base characters with this style of stroke.
 - **úŰ** U+EFD8 and U+EFD9. MUFI lists these as ligatures (corresponding to the historic ligatures **uŰ**, but they cannot be treated as ligatures in the font because a single diacritic is positioned over the glyphs as if they were digraphs like **aA**).
 - **pp** U+EBE7 and U+EBE6, for the same reason.
 - **ð** U+F159 LATIN ABBREVIATION SIGN SMALL DE. Neither a variant of **d** nor an eth (**ð**), this character may be a candidate for Unicode encoding.
- Characters for which OpenType programming is not yet available. These will be added as they are located and studied. [Check: U+EBF1, and smcp version.]

These characters should be avoided, even if you are otherwise using MUFI's PUA characters:

- U+F1C5 COMBINING CURL HIGH POSITION. Use U+1DCE COMBINING OGONEK ABOVE. The positioning problem mentioned in the MUFI recommendation is solved in Junicode (and, to be fair, many other fonts with OpenType programming).

- U+F1CA COMBINING DOT ABOVE HIGH POSITION. Use U+0307 COMBINING DOT ABOVE. It will be positioned correctly on any character.

A. Case-Related Features

1. **smcp** – Small Capitals

Converts lowercase letters to small caps; also several symbols and combining marks. All lower- and uppercase pairs (with exceptions noted below) have a small cap equivalent. Lowercase letters without matching caps may lack matching small caps. fghij → FGHIJ.

Note: Precomposed characters defined by MUFI in the Private Use Area have no small cap equivalents. Instead, compose characters using combining diacritics, as outlined in the introduction. For example, **smcp** applied to the sequence **t** + COMBINING OGONEK (U+0328) + COMBINING ACUTE (U+0301) will change **ť** to **ť**.

2. **c2sc** – Small Capitals from Capitals

Use with **smcp** for all-small-cap text. ABCDE → ABCDE.

3. **pcap** – Petite Capitals

Produces small caps in a smaller size than **smcp**. Use these when small caps have to be mixed with lowercase letters. The whole of the basic Latin alphabet is covered, plus several other letters. klmnop → KLMNOP.

4. **case** – Case-Sensitive Forms

Produces combining marks that harmonize with capital letters: **Ř**, **Œ**, etc. Use of this feature reduces the likelihood that a combining mark will collide with a glyph in the line above.

B. Numbers and Sequencing

5. **frac** – Fractions

Applied to a slash and surrounding numbers, produces fractions with diagonal slashes. 6/9 becomes $\frac{6}{9}$, 16/91 becomes $\frac{16}{91}$.

6. **nalt** – Alternate Annotation Forms

Produces letters and numbers circled, in parenthesis, or followed by periods, as follows:

nalt[1], circled letters or numbers: ① ② . . . ③; ④ ⑤ ⑥ . . . ⑦.

nalt[2], letter or numbers in parentheses: (a) . . . (z); (0) (1) . . . (20).

nalt[3], double-circled numbers: ① ② . . . ③.

nalt[4], white numbers in black circles: ① ② ③ ④ . . . ⑤.

nalt[5], numbers followed by period: ① ② . . . ③.

For enclosed figures 10 and higher, **rlig** (Required Ligatures) must also be enabled (as it should be by default: see [Required Features](#) below).

7. **tnum** – Tabular Figures

Fixed-width figures: 0123456789 (default or with **lnum**), ①②③④⑤⑥⑦⑧⑨ (with **onum**).

8. **onum** – Oldstyle Figures

Figures that harmonize with lowercase characters: ①②③④⑤⑥⑦⑧⑨ (default or with **tnum**), ①②③④⑤⑥⑦⑧⑨ (with **pnum**). When combined with **pnum**, this feature also affects subscripts and superscripts.

9. **pnum** – Proportional Figures

Proportionally spaced figures: 0123456789 (default or with **lnum**), ①②③④⑤⑥⑦⑧⑨ (with **onum**). When combined with **onum**, this feature also affects subscripts and superscripts. Most applications (including MS Word) with any support of OpenType features will support this feature and **lnum** in such a way that you don't have to enter them manually.

10. lnum – Lining Figures

Figures in a uniform height, harmonizing with uppercase letters: 0123456789 (default or with **tnum**), 0123456789 (with **pnum**).

11. zero – Slashed Zero

Produces slashed zero in all number styles: 0 ∅ 0 ∅. Includes superscripts, subscripts, and fractions formed with **frac**: $\emptyset^{\emptyset} \emptyset_{\emptyset} \frac{10}{30}$.

C. Superscripts and Subscripts

12. sups – Superscripts

Produces superscript numbers and letters. Only affects lining tabular and oldstyle proportional figures. All lowercase letters of the basic Latin alphabet are covered, and most uppercase letters: ^{0123 4567 abcde ABDEG}. Wherever superscripts are needed (e.g. for footnote numbers), use **sups** instead of the raised and scaled characters generated by some programs. With **sups**: ⁴⁵⁶⁷. Scaled: ⁴⁵⁶⁷.





13. subs – Subscripts





Produces subscript numbers. Only affects lining tabular (the default numbers) and old-style proportional figures (use **pnum** and **onum**): _{8901 2345}.

D. Ornaments

14. ornm – Ornaments

Produces ornaments (fleurons) in either of two ways: as an indexed variant of the bullet character (U+2022) or as variants of a-z, A-C (all fleurons are available by either method):

As a variant of •: 1=, 2=, 3=, 4=, etc., up to 29.

As a variant of a-z, A-C: e=, f=, g=, h=, etc.

The method with letters of the alphabet is easier, but the method with bullets will produce a more satisfactory result when text is displayed in an environment where Junicode is not available or **ornm** is not implemented.

E. Alphabetic Variants

15. cv01-cv52 – Basic Latin Variants

These features also affect small cap (**smcp**) and underdotted (**ss07**) forms, where available. Where Junicode has no variant for a Basic Latin letter, the expected **cvNN** feature is skipped, being reserved for future development.

Variant of	cvNN	Variants
A	cv01	1=Ɽ, 2=ⱥ, 3=ⱦ
a	cv02	1=ⱦ, 2=Ⱨ, 3=ⱨ, 4=Ⱪ, 5=ⱪ
B	cv03	No variants available
b	cv04	No variants available
C	cv05	1=℄
c	cv06	1=ç
D	cv07	1=Ɱ
d	cv08	1=Ɱ, 2=Ɐ, 3=Ɒ (for 1, see also ss02)
E	cv09	1=℄, 2=℄
e	cv10	1=℄, 2=℄, 3=℄
F	cv11	1=℄
f	cv12	1=℄, 2=℄, 3=℄, 4=℄, 5=℄, 6=℄
G	cv13	1=℄, 2=℄, 3=℄
g	cv14	1=℄, 2=℄, 3=℄, 4=℄, 5=℄, 6=℄, 7=℄
H	cv15	1=℄
h	cv16	1=℄, 2=℄
I	cv17	1=℄, 2=℄
i	cv18	1=℄, 2=℄, 3=℄
J	cv19	1=℄

Variant of	cvNN	Variants
j	cv20	1=ĵ, 2=ȝ, 3=ȥ
K	cv21	No variants available
k	cv22	1=k, 2=ḱ, 3=ḳ, 4=ḵ
L	cv23	No variants available
l	cv24	1=ł
M	cv25	1=Ṁ, 2=Ṃ, 3=Ṅ
m	cv26	1=m, 2=ṁ, 3=ṃ
N	cv27	1=Ñ
n	cv28	1=ñ, 2=Ṇ, 3=ṇ, 4=ṅ
O	cv29	1=Ō
o	cv30	1=ō
P	cv31	1=Ṗ
p	cv32	No variants available
Q	cv33	1=Ṙ
q	cv34	1=ṙ
R	cv35	1=Ṛ
r	cv36	1=r, 2=ṛ
S	cv37	1=Ṣ, 2=Ṡ
s	cv38	1=ṣ, 2=ṡ, 3=ṣ̣, 4=ṣ̤, 5=ṣ̥, 6=ṣ̦
T	cv39	1=Ṣ
t	cv40	1=ṭ, 2=ṭ̣
U	cv41	No variants available
u	cv42	No variants available
V	cv43	No variants available

Variant of	cvNN	Variants
v	cv44	1=ⱱ, 2=Ⱳ, 3=ⱳ, 4=ⱴ
W	cv45	No variants available
w	cv46	No variants available
X	cv47	No variants available
x	cv48	1=Ɑ, 2=Ɱ, 3=Ɐ, 4=Ɒ
Y	cv49	1=ⱹ
y	cv50	1=ⱺ, 2=ⱻ
Z	cv51	1=ⱼ
z	cv52	1=Ȿ, 2=Ɀ

16. cv53–cv67 – Other Latin Letters

Some features affect both upper- and lowercase forms. **cv62** also affects combining **e** with ogonek, accessible via **ss10** with the entity reference **&_eogo;**. In this range, **cvNN** features are not reserved for future development, since Junicode already uses or reserves all of the available **cvNN** features.

Variant of	cvNN	Variants
Ą (U+0104)	cv53	1=Ṙ, 2=Ṛ, 3=Ṛ̇
ą (U+0105)	cv54	1=Ṙ̇, 2=Ṛ̇
ǣ (U+A733)	cv55	1=ǣ, 2=ǣ̇
Æ (U+00C6)	cv56	1=Ǽ
æ (U+00E6)	cv57	1=ǽ, 2=ǽ̇, 3=ǽ̈
Ɔ (U+A734)	cv58	1=Ɔ̇
œ (U+A735)	cv59	1=œ̇, 2=œ̈, 3=œ̉
ȳ (U+A739)	cv60	1=ȳ̇
đ (U+0111)	cv61	1=đ̇

Variant of	cvNN	Variants
Ǝ, ɛ ... (U+0118, U+0119)	cv62	1=Ǝ, ɛ ...; 2=Ǝ, ɛ ...
3, ʒ (U+021C, U+021D)	cv63	1=3, ʒ
† (U+A749)	cv64	1=†
ø (U+00F8)	cv65	1=o, 2=ø, 3=o, 4=o
þ, þ (U+A765)	cv66	1=þ, þ
?	cv67	Reserved for future use

17. ss01 – Alternate thorn and eth

Produces Nordic thorn and eth (þǿþ) when the language is English, and English thorn and eth (þǿþ) with any other language, reversing the font's usual usage. This also affects small caps, crossed thorn (þ þ—see also [cv67](#)), combining mark eth (U+1DD9, ǿ ǿ), and enlarged thorn and eth (see [ss06](#)). This feature depends on [loca](#) (Localized Forms), which in most applications will always be enabled.

18. ss02 – Insular Letter-Forms

Produces insular letter-forms, e.g. ðʀʒpʀp. Does not affect capitals (except W), as these do not commonly have insular shapes in early manuscripts. For these, enter the Unicode code points or use the Character Variant ([cvNN](#)) features.

19. ss04 – High Overline

Produces a high overline over letters used as roman numbers: $\overline{cdijlmvx} \overline{CDIJLMVXO}$.

20. ss05 – Medium-High Overline

Produces a medium-high overline over (or through the ascenders of) letters used as roman numbers, and some others as well: $\overline{bcdhijklmfvxþ}$.

21. ss06 – Enlarged Minuscles

Lowercase letters that match the height of normal ones, but with a higher x-height, e.g. abcdefg. Covers the whole of the basic Latin alphabet and several other letters: consult

Produces underdotted text (indicating deletion in medieval manuscripts) for many letters (including the whole of the basic Latin alphabet and a number of other letters), e.g. `abcdefg HIJKLM`. This also affects small caps, e.g. `ABCDEF` → `ḂḄḤḬḦḰṀ`. For letters without corresponding underdotted forms (e.g. `U+A751`, `p`), use `U+0323`, combining dot below (`p̣`).

In English and French text only, varies **s** and **f** according to rules followed by many early printers: fports, effence, stormy, disheveled, transfusions, flynefs, cliffside. For this feature to work properly, **calt** “Contextual Alternates” must also be enabled (as it should be by default: see [Required Features](#) below).

Converts **r** to **ꝛ** (lowercase only) following the most common rules of medieval manuscripts: pziest, firmer, frost, oꝛnament. For this feature to work properly, **calt** “Contextual Alternates” must also be enabled (as it should be by default: see [Required Features](#) below).

 $1=?$

1=a. This features reverts small cap **A** to **a**, enabling it to ligature with small cap **N** or **R** via **hlig**: **ᵶ**, **ᵶ**. Be sure to apply **smcp**, **cv99** and **hlig** to both components of the ligature.

27. ss03 – Alternate Greek

Provides alternate shapes of β γ θ π φ χ ω: β γ θ π φ χ ω. These are chiefly useful in linguistics, as they harmonize with IPA characters.

G. Punctuation

MUFI encodes nearly twenty marks of punctuation in the PUA. In Junicode these can be accessed in either of two ways: all are indexed variants of . (period), and all are associated with the Unicode marks of punctuation they most resemble (but it should not be inferred that the medieval marks are semantically identical with the Unicode marks, or that there is an etymological relationship between them). The first method will be easier for most to use, but the second is more likely to yield acceptable fallbacks in environments where Junicode is not available.

Marks with Unicode encoding are not included here, as they can safely be entered directly. In MUFI 4.0 several marks have PUA encodings, but have since that release been assigned Unicode code points: *paragraphus* (Ÿ U+2E4D), medieval comma (: U+2E4C), *punctus elevatus* (˙ U+2E4E), *virgula suspensiva* (ʹ U+2E4A), triple dagger (‡ U+2E4B).

28. ss18 – Old-Style Punctuation Spacing

Colons, semicolons, parentheses, quotation marks and several other glyphs are spaced as in early printed books.

29. cv69 – Variants of ꝛꝛ (U+204A / U+2E52, Tironian nota)

1=ꝛꝛ, 2=ꝛꝛ.

30. cv70 – Variants of . (period)

1=., 2=., 3=., 4=., 5=., 6=., 7=., 8=., 9=., 10=., 11=., 12=., 13=., 14=., 15=., 16=., 17=., 18=., 19=., 20=.. This feature provides access to all non-Unicode MUFI punctuation marks. Some of them are available via other features (see below).

31. cv71 – Variant of · (U+00B7, middle dot)

1=· (*distinctio*).

32. cv72 – Variants of , (comma)

1=,, 2=’.

33. cv73 – Variants of ; (semicolon)

1=; (*punctus versus*), 2=., 3=:, 4=;, 5=’.

34. cv74 – Variants of ∷ (U+2E4E, *punctus elevatus*)

1=∷, 2=∴, 3=∴, 4=∴ (*punctus flexus*).

35. cv75 – Variant of ! (exclamation mark)

1=! (*punctus exclamativus*).

36. cv76 – Variants of ? (question mark)

1=¿, 2=¿, 3=¿. Shapes of the *punctus interrogativus*.

37. cv77 – Variant of ~ (ASCII tilde)

1=~ (same as MUFI U+F1F9, “wavy line”).

38. cv78 – Variant of * (asterisk)

1=∴. MUFI defines U+F1EC as a *signe de renvoi*. Manuscripts employ a number of shapes (of which this is one) for this purpose. Junicon defines it as a variant of the asterisk—the most common modern *signe de renvoi*.

39. cv79 – Variants of / (slash)

1=/, 2=/. The first of these is Unicode, U+2E4E.

H. Abbreviations**40. cv80 – Variant of ꝛ (U+A75D, rum abbreviation)**

1=ꝛ.

41. **cv81** – Variants of ͡ (U+035B, combining zigzag above)

1=͡, 2=͢, 3=ͣ. Positioning of the zigzag can differ from that of other combining marks, e.g. ͤ, ͥ, ͦ. If **calt** “Contextual Alternates” is enabled (as it is by default in most apps), variant forms of **cv81**[2] will be used with several letters, e.g. ͧ, ͨ, ͩ. Enable **case** for forms that harmonize with capitals (ͪ ͫ ͬ ͭ), **smcp** for forms that harmonize with small caps (ͮ ͯ Ͱ ͱ).

42. **cv82** – Variants of spacing ʹ (U+A770)

1=ʹ, 2=ʸ. **cv82**[1] produces the baseline *-us* abbreviation (same as MUFI U+F1A6). MUFI also has an uppercase baseline *-us* abbreviation (U+F1A5), but as there is no uppercase version of U+A770 to pair it with, it is indexed separately here.

43. **cv83** – Variants of 3 (U+A76B, “et” abbreviation)

1=;, 2=₃. [1] is identical in shape to a semicolon, but as it is semantically the same as U+A76B, it is preferable to use that character with this feature. [2] produces a subscript version of the character, a common variant in printed books.

I. Combining Marks

44. **cv84** – MUFI combining marks (variants of U+0304)

MUFI encodes a number of combining marks in the PUA (with code points between E000 and F8FF), but when these characters are entered directly, they can interfere with searching and accessibility, and some important applications fail to position them correctly over their base characters. To avoid these problems, enter U+0304 (̄, COMBINING MACRON) and apply **cv84**, with the appropriate index, to both mark and base character. This collection of marks does not include any Unicode-encoded marks (from the “Combining Diacritical Marks” ranges), as these can safely be entered directly. It does include three marks (**cv84**[36], [37] and [38]) that lack MUFI code points but are used to form MUFI characters.

This feature may often appear to have no effect. When this happens it is because an application replaced a sequence like **a** U+0304 with a precomposed character like **ā** (U+0101) before Junicode’s OpenType programming had a chance to work. This process is called normalization, and it usually has the effect of simplifying text processing tasks,

but can sometimes prevent the proper functioning of OpenType features. To disable it, place the character U+034F COMBINING GRAPHEME JOINER (don't waste time puzzling over the name) between the base character and the combining mark (or the first combining mark). For example, to produce the combination **ú**, enter **u U+034F U+0304**. (Without U+034F, you would get **ū**).

These marks can sometimes be produced by other **cvNN** features, which may be preferable to **cv84** as providing more suitable fallbacks for applications that do not support Character Variant (**cvNN**) features.

For some marks with PUA code points, users may find it easier to use **entities** than this feature.

These marks are not affected by most other features. This is to preserve flexibility, given the rule that the feature that produces them must be applied to both the mark and the base character. For example, if **smcp** “Small Caps” changed **cv84[11]** ^b to **[12]** ^b, it would be impossible to produce the sequence **N^bAA** with the diacritic properly positioned.

1=◌ ^{◌̂}	11=◌ ^{◌̊}	21=◌ ^{◌̋}	31=◌ ^{◌̌}
2=◌ ^{◌̃}	12=◌ ^{◌̄}	22=◌ ^{◌̅}	32=◌ ^{◌̆}
3=◌ ^{◌̇}	13=◌ ^{◌̈}	23=◌ ^{◌̉}	33=◌ ^{◌̊}
4=◌ ^{◌̋}	14=◌ ^{◌̌}	24=◌ ^{◌̍}	34=◌ ^{◌̎}
5=◌ ^{◌̍}	15=◌ ^{◌̎}	25=◌ ^{◌̏}	35=◌ ^{◌̐}
6=◌ ^{◌̏}	16=◌ ^{◌̐}	26=◌ ^{◌̑}	36=◌ ^{◌̒}
7=◌ ^{◌̑}	17=◌ ^{◌̒}	27=◌ ^{◌̓}	37=◌ ^{◌̔}
8=◌ ^{◌̓}	18=◌ ^{◌̔}	28=◌ ^{◌̕}	
9=◌ ^{◌̕}	19=◌ ^{◌̖}	29=◌ ^{◌̗}	
10=◌ ^{◌̖}	20=◌ ^{◌̘}	30=◌ ^{◌̙}	37=◌ ^{◌̚}

45. **ss10** – Entity References for Combining Marks

Instead of **cv84** for representing non-Unicode combining marks, some users may wish to use XML/HTML-style entities. When **ss10** is turned on (preferably for the entire text), these entities appear as combining marks and are correctly positioned over base characters. For example, the letter **e** followed by **&_eog;** will yield **ē**. An advantage of entities is that they are (unlike the PUA code points or the indexes of **cv84**) mnemonic and thus easy to use. A disadvantage is that searches cannot ignore combining marks entered by this method as they can using the **cv84** method. (Every method of entering non-Unicode combining marks has disadvantages: users should weigh these, choose a method, and stick with it.)

If you use any of these entities in a work intended for print publication, you should call your publisher's attention to them, since they will likely have their own method of representing them.

<code>&x_ansc;</code> → $\overset{\text{an}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_idotl;</code> → $\overset{\text{i}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_orr;</code> → $\overset{\text{or}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_an;</code> → $\overset{\text{a}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_j;</code> → $\overset{\text{j}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_oru;</code> → $\overset{\text{or}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_ar;</code> → $\overset{\text{r}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_jdotl;</code> → $\overset{\text{j}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_q;</code> → $\overset{\text{q}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_arsc;</code> → $\overset{\text{ar}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_ksc;</code> → $\overset{\text{k}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_ru;</code> → $\overset{\text{r}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_bsc;</code> → $\overset{\text{b}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_munc;</code> → $\overset{\text{m}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_tsc;</code> → $\overset{\text{t}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_dsc;</code> → $\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_oogo;</code> → $\overset{\text{o}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_y;</code> → $\overset{\text{y}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_eogo;</code> → $\overset{\text{e}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_oslash;</code> → $\overset{\text{o}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_thorn;</code> → $\overset{\text{b}}{\circ}$
<code>&x_emac;</code> → $\overset{\text{e}}{\circ}$	<code>&x_omac;</code> → $\overset{\text{o}}{\circ}$	

46. ss20 – Low Diacritics

The MUFI recommendation includes a number of precomposed characters with base letters b, h, k, þ, ð and ð and combining marks $\overset{\text{a}}{\circ}$ (U+0363), $\overset{\text{o}}{\circ}$ (U+0364), $\overset{\text{i}}{\circ}$ (U+0304/[cv84\[18\]](#)), $\overset{\text{e}}{\circ}$ (U+0366), $\overset{\text{u}}{\circ}$ (U+036C), $\overset{\text{b}}{\circ}$ (U+1DE2), $\overset{\text{j}}{\circ}$ (U+036D), $\overset{\text{v}}{\circ}$ (U+036E), $\overset{\text{z}}{\circ}$ (U+1DE6) and $\overset{\text{m}}{\circ}$ (U+0304/[cv84\[21\]](#)). Instead of being positioned above ascender height as usual (e.g. $\overset{\text{h}}{\circ}$), the MUFI glyphs have the marks positioned above the x-height (e.g. $\overset{\text{h}}{\circ}$). Using the MUFI code points for these precomposed glyphs can interfere with searching and drastically reduce accessibility. Users of Junicode should instead use a sequence of base character + combining mark, and apply [ss20](#) to the two glyphs. A variant shape of eth ($\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$) that accommodates the combining mark will be substituted for the normal base character (but this is not necessary for the other base characters). Examples: $\overset{\text{b}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{h}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{k}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{j}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$.

[ss20](#) affects only the diacritics and base characters listed here; other combinations (e.g. $\overset{\text{m}}{\circ}$, $\overset{\text{h}}{\circ}$) are not affected. It will therefore probably be safe to apply this feature to the whole text if it is needed anywhere.

47. cv85 – Variant of $\overset{\text{a}}{\circ}$ (U+1DD3, combining open a)

1= $\overset{\text{a}}{\circ}$.

48. cv86 – Variant of $\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$ (U+1DD8, combining insular d)

1= $\overset{\text{d}}{\circ}$.

49. cv87 – Variant of ̂ (U+1DE3, combining r rotunda)

1=ř.

50. cv88 – Variant of combining dieresis (U+0308)

1=ö. This also affects precomposed characters on which this variant dieresis may occur, e.g. ä.

51. cv89 – Variant of ̄ (U+0305, combining overline)

1=ȓ.

52. cv91 – Variants of short horizontal stroke (U+0335)

1=⸑, 2=⸒, 3=⸓. This character can be used with letters with ascenders or descenders, e.g. **đ ħ þ p**. **cv91[1]** widens the stroke, and **cv91[2]** and **[3]** offset the stroke to the right or left. Via **calt** “Contextual Alternates,” this offset is performed automatically for many characters with ascenders and descenders, and so it should rarely be necessary to use an index with **cv91**.

53. cv92 – Variant of breve below (U+032E)

1=⸔. Position the mark after the middle of three glyphs, and apply **cv92** to both the mark and (at least) the middle glyph. This mark is not available via **cv84**.

J. Currency and Weights

54. cv93 – Variants of ₪ (U+0044, generic currency sign)

1=ℳ	8=₧	15=ℳ	22=₧
2=×	9=Φ	16=ℳ	23=₧
3=¥	10=₧	17=₧	24=ℳ
4=₧	11=ℳ	18=₧	25=ℳ
5=₧	12=ℳ	19=₧	26=₧
6=₧	13=₧	20=₧	27=₧
7=₧	14=₧	21=₧	

Changes Latin letters to their equivalents in the early English futhorc. Because of the variability of the runic alphabet, this method of transliteration may not produce the

result you want. In that case, it may be necessary to manually edit the result. `fisc flodu ahof` → `ƒiʁk ƒƒǫN ƒNƒƒ`.

62. `ss13` – Elder Futhark

Changes Latin letters to their equivalents in the Elder Futhark. Because of the variability of the runic alphabet, this method of transliteration may not produce the result you want. In that case, it may be necessary to manually edit the result. `ABCDEFGF` → `ƒB<MMƒX`.

63. `ss14` – Younger Futhark

Changes Latin letters to their equivalents in the Younger Futhark. Because of the variability of the runic alphabet, this method of transliteration may not produce the result you want. In that case, it may be necessary to manually edit the result. `ABCDEFGF` → `†B††††`.

64. `ss15` – Long Branch to Short Twig

In combination with `ss14`, converts long branch (the default for the Younger Futhark) to short twig runes: `†B††††` → `††††††`.

65. `rtlm` – Right to Left Mirrored Forms

Produces mirrored runes, e.g. `ƒBǫMMƒX` → `XƒMMǫBƒ`. This feature cannot change the direction of text.

L. Ligatures and Digraphs

66. `hlig` – Historic Ligatures

Produces ligatures for combinations that should not ordinarily be rendered as ligatures in modern text.⁵ Most of these are from the MUFI recommendation, ranges B.1.1(b)

⁵Some fonts define `hlig` differently, as including all ligatures in which at least one element is an archaic character, e.g. those involving long s (ſ). In Junicode, however, a historic ligature is defined not by the characters it is composed of, but rather by the join between them. If two characters (though modern) should not be joined except in certain historic contexts, they form a historic ligature. If they should be joined in all contexts (even if archaic), the ligature is not historic and should be defined in `liga`.

and B.1.4. This feature does not produce digraphs (which have a phonetic value), for which see [ss17](#). The ligatures:

af→ǻ	ck→ꝑ	hr→ḥ	PP→Ꝓꝑ	ftr→ftr
aƿ→ǿ	ðð→ðð	hf→ḥ	pp→ꝑꝑ	fþ→þ
ag→ǿ	ey→ey	hf→ḥ	ꝑꝑ→ꝑꝑ	ττ→ττ
al→ǻ	fä→fä	kr→k	Ps→P	UE→UE
an→an	gd→ḡ	kf→k	ps→P	ue→ue
aN→aN	gð→ḡ	kf→k	Psi→P	UU→UU
ap→ǿ	gð→ḡ	ll→ll	psi→P	uu→uu
ar→ar	gg→gg	nƿ→n	qꝑ→q	pp→þ
aR→aR	gg→gg	oc→oc	q3/q3→q3/q3	þr→þ
aþ→aþ	go→go	O2→O2	Q2→Q2	þs→þs
bb→bb	gp→gp	o2→o2	q2→q2	þf→þ
bg→ḡ	gr→g	O2→O2	fä→fä	þþ→þþ
ch→ch	Hr→ḥ	o2→o2	fch→fch	

Notes: For **aN** and **aR** see [cv99](#) above. For the ligature **nƿ** to work properly, U+017F **f** must be entered directly, not by applying an OpenType feature to **s**.

67. dlig – Discretionary Ligatures

Produces lesser-used ligatures, but also roman numbers, e.g. ii, II, xi, XI. The lesser-used ligatures: **ct**, **fp**, **str**, **st**, **tr**, **tt**, **ty**.

68. ss17 – Rare Digraphs

By “digraph” we mean conjoined letters that represent a phonetic value: the most common examples for western languages are **æ** and **œ** (though these, because they are so common, are not included in this feature). Use of this feature in web pages enables easier searches: for example, producing **þau** from **þau** allows the word to be searched as “þau.” The digraphs covered by this feature are **au**, **æ**, **ai**, **æ**, **æ**, **œ**, **wy**, plus capital and small cap equivalents and digraph + diacritic combinations anticipated in the MUFI recommendation. To produce such a digraph + diacritic combination, either type a letter + diacritic combination as the second element of the digraph or type the diacritic after the second element. For example, **a** + **ú** yields **áu**, and so does **a** + **u** + U+0301 (combining acute accent). To produce a digraph + diacritic combination not covered by

MUFI (e.g. ā), you may have to place U+034F COMBINING GRAPHEME JOINER (see [cv84](#) above) between the second element of the digraph and the combining mark. Without U+034F: ā̃ . With U+034F: ā̃ .

N. Required Features

Required features, which provide some of the font’s most basic functionality—ligatures, support for other features, kerning, and more—include **ccmp** (Glyph Composition/Decomposition), **calt** (Contextual Alternates), **liga** (Standard Ligatures), **loca** (Localized Forms), **rlic** (Required Ligatures), **kern** (Horizontal Kerning), and **mark/mkmm** (Mark Positioning). In MS Word these features have to be explicitly enabled on the Advanced tab of the Font dialog (Ctrl-D or Cmd-D: enable Kerning, Standard Ligatures, and Contextual Alternates, and the others will be enabled automatically), but in most other applications they are enabled by default.

O. Non-MUFI Code Points

Characters in Junicode that do not have Unicode code points should be accessed via OpenType features whenever possible. MUFI/PUA code points should be used only in applications that do not support OpenType, or that support it only partially (for example, MS Word). For certain characters that lack either Unicode or MUFI code points, code points in the Supplementary Private Use Area-A (plane 15) are available.

U+F0000 A	U+F0008 ā	U+F0010 m̄	U+F0018 v̄
U+F0001 a	U+F0009 Ē	U+F0011 o	U+F0019 x̄
U+F0002 Ȧ	U+F000A ē	U+F0012 ø	U+F001A x̄
U+F0003 c̄	U+F000B f	U+F0013 o	U+F001B ʔ
U+F0004 c̄	U+F000C ī	U+F0014 o	U+F001C Z
U+F0005 b	U+F000D j	U+F0015 q	U+F001D z
U+F0006 ḃ	U+F000E j̄	U+F0016 z̄	U+F001E A
U+F0007 d̄	U+F000F P	U+F0017 v̄	U+F001F a

Junicode on the Web

If you are using Junicode on a web page, you should prefer the variable fonts (those with “VF” in the family name and filename) to the static fonts. One variable font file can do the work of many traditional font files. For example, the [Test of High-Level CSS Properties](#) web page displays Junicode in regular, bold and semicondensed styles. It used to be that your user would have to download three font files, one for each style, but one variable font will display all three.

But you may be thinking, *That font is big!* It’s true: even the compressed webfont (.woff2) is nearly a megabyte in size—enough to seriously slow down the loading of a web page.

To solve this problem, you’ll need to subset the font—that is, produce a copy that contains only what you need. The subsetted font that downloads with the property test web page is approximately 275k in size—almost thirty percent of the size of the full webfont. It’s still a pretty big download, but that’s because the page displays a lot of the font’s features. If I were displaying, say, a diplomatic transcript of a Latin text, the font would be much smaller.

So the first section of this chapter will talk about how to subset the Junicode font.

Subsetting Junicode

First the legalities. It is perfectly all right to create a modified version of Junicode via subsetting, compress it into a webfont (almost certainly in woff2 format), and host it on your web server. This is because “Junicode” is not a “Reserved Font Name” (which complicates web use of many fonts licensed under the Open Font License). If you are nervous about the legal requirements of the Open Font License, you can change the font name to something arbitrary with the `--obfuscate-names` option of the `pyftsubset` program, and you can embed the Open Font License, or a link to it, in your CSS. These steps should settle any ambiguity about whether you are in compliance with the

license.

Generating a subsetting version of Junicode should be one of the last tasks you perform before deploying your web page(s). Until then, it is recommended that you work with an unmodified copy of Junicode. After subsetting, review your pages thoroughly to make sure everything is displayed properly. If you have forgotten to include a glyph in your subsetting font, you will see little boxes where characters should be or, perhaps, the correct characters displayed in the wrong typeface. If you have omitted features, you will see default instead of transformed characters.

There are many subsetting programs, some online and very easy to use. But for maximum control (and thus the smallest fonts), you should choose `pyftsubset`, a part of the [fontTools](#) library, which runs under Python 3.7 or higher. This is a command-line tool which takes a long list of arguments; you should create a shell script to run it.

Here is the script used to create the subsetting font for the property test web page mentioned above:

```
#!/bin/zsh
pyftsubset JunicodeTwoBetaVF-Roman.ttf \
--flavor=woff2 --output-file=JunicodeVFsubset.woff2 \
--recommended-glyphs \
--text="jq" --text-file=Junicode-2-feature-test.html \
--layout-features+=liga,ss01,ss02,ss03,ss04,ss05,ss06,ss07,ss08,\
ss10,ss12,ss13,ss14,ss15,ss16,ss17,ss18,ss19,ss20,cv01,cv02,cv05,\
cv06,cv07,cv08,cv09,cv10,dlig,hlig,onum,pnum,pcap,smcp,c2sc,subs,\
supers,zero \
--layout-features-=rli
```

For those unfamiliar with shell scripts, the first line specifies the shell the script is to run under (in this case the default shell for Mac OS, but `bash` is another possible choice), and the backslashes mean that the command continues on the next line. The rest of the file is a list of arguments passed to `pyftsubset`. Let's walk through them.

First after the program name comes the name of the unsubsetted, uncompressed font file. After that, the `--flavor` argument tells the program that you want a webfont in `woff2` format, and `--output` is the name of the font file you want the program to save.

Having taken care of this preliminary business, we tell `pyftsubset` what we want the font to contain.

`--recommended-glyphs` includes a few characters that every font should have, according to the OpenType specification—though in fact modern browsers don’t care. It’s best, however, to conform to the specification, since it’s impossible to say with absolute certainty that no program will ever reject the font because of the absence of these few characters.

`--text-file` is the name of a file to treat as a list of characters that *must* be included in the font. In this case I have simply used the `html` file for the web page for this purpose. If your site contains multiple web pages, your job will be more complicated. You must make sure the text file contains all the characters used on the site—either that or supplement the text file with a `--text` argument (which here adds two lowercase letters that don’t appear in the web page—just in case). The text file will contain only encoded characters—you don’t have to worry here about unencoded characters produced by OpenType features.

`--layout-features+` tells the program which OpenType features you want to retain in the font. All others, except for the [Required Features](#), are discarded. All of the characters referenced in these features will also be included in the output file, as long as those characters are variants of characters in your text file. For example, the `smcp` (Small Caps) feature has many more small caps than there are letters of the alphabet, but most of them are not included in the subsetted font. The program’s parsimony with characters keeps the font file as small as possible. Note that some features are included automatically: `ccmp`, `locl`, `calt`, `liga`, `rli`, `kern`, `mark`, and `mk`.

`--layout-features-` tells the program which OpenType features to omit. Normally, `rli` (Required Ligatures) is automatically included in fonts by `pyftsubset`, but as it has no relevance to this web page, it can be omitted.

These are the most useful arguments, but there are many more. Type `pyftsubset --help` for a complete list. Once you have written your script, run it (in Mac OS or Linux you need to make the file executable by typing `chmod +x mysubsets` on the command line).

Before you put your subsetted font to work, check it carefully in a program like [FontGoggles](#), which lets you preview the font and test all its OpenType features. If you find errors, revise your script and run it again.

Junicode and CSS/HTML

This section assumes a basic knowledge of HTML (Hypertext Markup Language, used to construct web pages) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets, used to format them). If you

want to learn about these subjects, the number of good books and online tutorials is so great that it makes no sense to try to list them. Just make sure that the instructional materials you choose are of recent vintage, because the relevant standards are always changing.

In the CSS for your web page, the `@font-face` at-rule for a variable font is a little different from the one for a static font in that the range of possible values for each axis can be declared:

```
@font-face {
    font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
    src: url("../webfiles/JunicodeVFsubset.woff2");
    font-weight: 300 700;
    font-stretch: 75% 125%;
    font-style: normal;
}
```

These ranges are not strictly necessary, but they will prevent your supplying invalid values for `font-weight` and `font-stretch` (that is, width) in other CSS rules.

Once you have declared the font, you can invoke it in setting up classes. For example:

```
body {
    font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
    font-size: 28px;
    font-weight: normal; /* that is, 400 */
    font-stretch: 112.5%; /* that is, semiexpanded */
}

h1 {
    font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
    font-size: 125%;
    font-weight: 600; /* that is, semibold */
    font-stretch: 112.5%; /* that is, semiexpanded */
}

.annotation {
    font-size: 90%;
    font-weight: 300; /* that is, light */
    font-stretch: 87.5%; /* that is, semicondensed */
}
```

These classes should be tested in all browsers. If any fail to display text properly, you can use `font-variation-settings` instead of the high-level `font-weight` and `font-stretch`:

```
body {
  font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
  font-size: 28px;
  font-variation-settings: "wght" 400, "width" 112.5;
}
h1 {
  font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
  font-size: 125%;
  font-variation-settings: "wght" 600, "width" 112.5;
}
.annotation {
  font-size: 90%;
  font-variation-settings: "wght" 300, "width" 87.5;
}
```

To accommodate older browsers, you should make a selection of Junicode static fonts, subset them, and include them in your CSS. For example, if you need normal and bold weights of Junicode roman, your `@font-face` at-rule may look like this:

```
@font-face {
  font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF";
  src: url("../webfiles/JunicodeVFsubset.woff2");
  font-weight: 300 700;
  font-stretch: 75% 125%;
  font-style: normal;
}
@font-face {
  font-family: "Junicode Two Beta";
  src: url("../webfiles/JunicodeTwoBeta-Regular.woff2");
  font-weight: 400;
  font-style: normal;
}
@font-face {
```



```

font-family: "Junicode Two Beta";
src: url("../webfiles/JunicodeTwoBeta-Bold.woff2");
font-weight: 700;
font-style: normal;
}

```

Now use @supports in your CSS rules to determine which font gets downloaded:

```

body {
  font-family: "Junicode Two Beta", serif;
}
@supports (font-variation-settings: normal) {
  body {
    font-family: "Junicode Two Beta VF", serif;
  }
}
b {
  font-weight: 700;
}
@supports (font-variation-settings: "wght" 700) {
  b {
    font-variation-settings: "wght" 700;
  }
}

```

Now the variable version of Junicode will be downloaded only if the browser supports it, and the static version will be downloaded only if needed.

*This document was set in 12pt Junicode SemiExpanded
 using the $X_{\text{L}}\text{A}_{\text{T}}\text{E}_{\text{X}}$ typesetting system with fontspec for font management.
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<https://github.com/psb1558/Junicode-font>.*