The luavlna package

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1 Introduction

This is a small package for plain luaTeXand luaLTeX. In some languages, like Czech or Polish, there should be no single letter words at the line end, according to the typographical norms. There exists some external commands (like vlna) or packages (encxvlna for encTeX, xevlna for XeTeX, impnattypo for luaLTeX).

Other feature of this package is including of non-breakable space after initials, like in personal names, after or before academic degrees and between numbers and units (SI and others).

The code is modified version of Patrick Gundlach's answer on TeX.sx¹. The difference is that it is possible to specify which single letters should be taken into account for different languages. The support for degrees and units was added as well.

2 Usage

The usage is simple:

```
\input ucode
\uselanguage{czech}
% in the case of luacsplain, use instead:
% \chyph
\input luavlna
\preventsingledebugon
\input luaotfload.sty
\font\hello={name:Linux Libertine 0:+rlig;+clig;+liga;+tlig} at 12pt
\hsize=3in
\hello
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\preventsingledebugoff
\bye
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1http://tex.stackexchange.com/a/28128/2891

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It is also possible to use the package with luaLTFX, just use

\usepackage{luavlna}

in the preamble.

3 Commands

 $\verb|\singlechars{| \langle language name \rangle} | | \langle letters \rangle|$

Enable this feature for certain letters in given language. Default values:

% only Czech and Slovak are supported out of the box \singlechars{czech}{AIiVvOoUuSsZzKk} \singlechars{slovak}{AIiVvOoUuSsZzKk}

 $\compoundinitials{\langle language name \rangle}{\langle compounds \rangle}$

Declare compound letters for given language. Second argument should be comma separated list of compound letters, in exact form in which they can appear.

Default values:

\compoundinitials{czech}{Ch,CH}

3.1 Turning off language switching

By default, language of the nodes is taken into account. If you want to use settings for one language for a whole document, you can use following command:

 $\operatorname{preventsinglelang}\{\langle language\ name \rangle\}$

3.2 Turning off processing

If you want to stop processing of the spaces in the document you can use command

\preventsingleoff

To resume processing, use

\preventsingleon

You can also disable units and degrees processing:

\nounits
\nopredegrees
\nosufdegrees

3.3 Debugging commands

\preventsingledebugon \preventsingledebugoff

Insert debugging marks on/off. Default off.

4 Lua module langno.lua

When we process glyph nodes with luaTeX callbacks, there are lang fields available. These are numerical codes of languages, but no information about language names easily accesible from lua side is available.² These numbers are format dependent, majority of formats like luaLTeXuse

 $^{^2}Language$ names are stored in TeX macros like \1@1angname, but different formats use different naming of these macros

language.dat file provided by babel for assign numbers to languages, but for example csplain use its own system.

To allow easy setting of language dependent parameters, languo module was created. It's purpose is to translate language code to language name and the other way. luaLFLX, luaTEX and CSplain formats are supported at the moment.

4.1 Recognized languages

4.1.1 luaTeX and lual*TeX

File language.dat is processed to load language names, aliases and assigned numbers. These language names are the same as supported by babel package.

UKenglish, USenglish, afrikaans, american, amharic, ancientgreek, arabic, armenian, assamese, basque, bengali, bokmal, british, bulgarian, catalan, churchslavonic, classiclatin, coptic, croatian, czech, danish, dumylang, dutch, english, espanol, esperanto, estonian, ethiopic, farsi, finnish, francais, french, friulan, galician, geez, georgian, german, greek, gujarati, hindi, hungarian, ibycus, icelandic, indonesian, interlingua, irish, italian, kannada, kurmanji, latin, latvian, lithuanian, liturgicallatin, malayalam, marathi, mongolian, mongolianlmc, monogreek, ngerman, nohyphenation, norsk, norwegian, nynorsk, occitan, oriya, panjabi, patois, persian, piedmontese, pinyin, polish, polygreek, portuges, portuguese, romanian, romansh, russian, sanskrit, serbian, serbianc, slovak, slovene, slovenian, spanish, swedish, swissgerman, tamil, telugu, thai, turkish, turkmen, ukenglish, ukrainian, uppersorbian, usenglish, usenglishmax, welsh

4.1.2 CSplain

Different method is used. File hyphen.lan is included in CSplain, where language numbers are assigned to ISO-639-1 or ISO-639-2 language codes. These language codes were then normalized to names used vy babel, or standard English language names.

afrikaans, armenian, assamese, basque, bokmål, catalan, chinese, coptic, croatian, czech, danish, dutch, english, estonian, finnish,

french, galician, german, greek, hindi, icelandic, indonesian, interlingua , irish, italian, kannada, kurdish, lao, latin, latvian, lithuanian, magyar, malayalam, marathi, mongolian, norsk, oriya, panjabi, polish, portuges, romanian, russian, sanskrit, slovak, slovenian, spanish, tamil, telugu, turkish, turkmen, ukrainian, uppersorbian, welsh