

The akshar package

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1 User guide

Nothing here yet! Just a test:

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2 Implementation

Declare the package.

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1 <@=akshar>
2 <*package>
3 \RequirePackage{fontspec}
4 \ProvidesExplPackage {akshar} {2020/05/17} {0.1}
5   {Support for syllables in the Devanagari script (JV)}

```

The code.

```

6 \tl_const:Nn \c_foo_joining_tl { }
7 \tl_const:Nn \c_foo_diacritics_tl {oooooooooooooooo}
8 \tl_new:N \l_foo_input_tl
9 \tl_new:N \l_foo_tmp_tl
10 \bool_new:N \l_foo_prev_joining_bool
11 \seq_new:N \l_foo_char_seq
12 \prg_generate_conditional_variant:Nnn \tl_if_in:Nn { No } { TF }
13 \cs_new:Npn \foo_str_getchar:nn #1 #2

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14 {
15   \seq_clear:N \l_foo_char_seq
16   \bool_set_false:N \l_foo_prev_joining_bool
17   \tl_set:Nn \l_foo_input_tl {#1}
18   \tl_map_variable:NNn \l_foo_input_tl \l_foo_map_tl
19   {
20     \tl_if_in:NoTF \c_foo_diacritics_tl {\l_foo_map_tl}
21     {
22       % It is a diacritic.
23       \seq_pop_right:NN \l_foo_char_seq \l_foo_tmp_tl
24       \seq_put_right:Nx \l_foo_char_seq { \l_foo_tmp_tl \l_foo_map_tl }
25     }
26     {
27       \tl_if_eq:NNTF \l_foo_map_tl \c_foo_joining_tl
28       {
29         % It is the joining character
30         \seq_pop_right:NN \l_foo_char_seq \l_foo_tmp_tl
31         \seq_put_right:Nx \l_foo_char_seq
32         { \l_foo_tmp_tl \l_foo_map_tl }
33         \bool_set_true:N \l_foo_prev_joining_bool
34       }
35       {
36         % It is a normal character
37         \bool_if:NTF \l_foo_prev_joining_bool
38         {
39           % but previously there is a joining character
40           \seq_pop_right:NN \l_foo_char_seq \l_foo_tmp_tl
41           \seq_put_right:Nx \l_foo_char_seq
42           { \l_foo_tmp_tl \l_foo_map_tl }
43           \bool_set_false:N \l_foo_prev_joining_bool
44         }
45         {
46           % Previously: nothing special.
47           \seq_put_right:Nx \l_foo_char_seq { \l_foo_map_tl }
48         }
49       }
50     }
51     % Plus two just to guard against breaking too soon
52     \int_compare:nNtT {\seq_count:N \l_foo_char_seq} > {#2 + 2}
53     {
54       \tl_map_break:
55     }
56   }
57   \seq_item:Nn \l_foo_char_seq {#2}
58 }
59 \NewDocumentCommand \mystrchar {mm}
60 {
61   \foo_str_getchar:nn {#1} {#2}
62 }
63 </package>

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