

linguify manual



Abstract

linguify is a package for loading strings for different languages easily.

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This manual shows a short example for the usage of the `linguify` package inside your document. If you want to **include linguify into your package** make sure to read the section for package authors .

Usage

Basic Example

Load language data file: → See database section for content of `lang.toml`

```
#set-database(toml("lang.toml"))
```

Example input:

```
#set text(lang: "LANG")  
#smallcaps(linguify("abstract"))  
=== #linguify("title")
```

Test: `#linguify("test")`

| Lang | Output |
|------|---|
| en | Abstract A simple linguify example Test: testing |
| de | Zusammenfassung Ein einfaches Linguify Beispiel Test: testen |
| es | Resumen Un ejemplo sencillo de linguify Test: testing <i>Info: The key «test» is missing in the «es» language section, but as we specified a default-lang in the <code>conf</code> it will display the entry inside the specified language section, which is «en» in our case. To disable this behavior delete the <code>default-lang</code> entry from the <code>lang.toml</code>.</i> |
| cz | Abstract A simple linguify example Test: testing <i>Info: As the lang data does not contain a section for “cz” this entire output will fallback to the default-lang. To disable this behavior delete the <code>default-lang</code> entry from the <code>lang.toml</code>.</i> |

Database

The content of the `lang.toml` file, used in the example above looks like this.

```
[conf]
default-lang = "en"

[lang.en]
title = "A simple linguify example"
abstract = "Abstract"
test = "testing"

[lang.de]
title = "Ein einfaches Linguify Beispiel"
abstract = "Zusammenfassung"
test = "testen"

[lang.es]
title = "Un ejemplo sencillo de linguify"
abstract = "Resumen"

[lang.fr]
title = "Un exemple simple de linguify"
abstract = "résumé"
```

Information for package authors.

As the database is stored in a typst state, it can be overwritten. This leads to the following problem. If you use *linguify* inside your package and use the `set_database()` function it will probably work like you expect. But if a user imports your package and uses *linguify* for their own document as well, he will overwrite the your database by using `set_database`. Therefore it is recommend to use the `from` argument in the `linguify` function to specify your database directly.

Example:

```
// Load data
#let lang_data = toml("lang.toml")

// Usage
#linguify("key", from: lang_data)
```

This makes sure the end user still can use the global database provided by *linguify* with `set_database()` and calling.

→ Have a look at the [gentle-clues](#) package for a real live example.

Fluent support

Thanks to [sjfhsjfh](#) we have fluent support.

Fluent is “a localization system for natural-sounding translations.” ([Project Fluent](#))

Heres a simple example of how to use the `linguify` package to load translations from fluent files, which are kept in `L10n` directory and named with the language code, e.g. `en.ftl` and `zh.ftl`.

```
// my-document.typ
#import "@preview/linguify:0.4.0": *
// Define the languages you have files for.
#let languages = ("en", "zh")
#set_database(eval(load_ftl_data("./L10n",
languages)))

// Use linguify like described above.
= #linguify("title")

#set text(lang: "zh")
= #linguify("title")

// Args are supported as well.
#linguify("hello", lang: "en", args:
("name": "Alice & Bob",))
```

Folder structure

```
my-project
├── L10n
│   ├── en.ftl
│   └── zh.ftl
└── my-document.typ
```

Example for `en.ftl`

```
title = A linguify example - with Fluent
abstract = Abstract
hello = Hello, {$name}!
```

You have to maintain the language list used in database initialization since Typst currently does not list files in a directory. Of course, you can use an external file to store the language list and load it in the script if it is necessary.

Store config inside a `lang.toml` file. Load config inside your document.

```
[conf]
default-lang = "en"
data-type = "ftl"

[ftl]
languages = ["en", "de"]
path = "./L10n"

[ftl.args]
name = "Lore"

[lang]

#let data = toml("lang.toml")

#for lang in data.ftl.languages {
  let lang_section = read(data.ftl.path + "/" +
lang + ".ftl")
  data.lang.insert(lang, lang_section)
}

#set_database(data)
#linguify("hello")

→ prints Hello, Lore!
```

Contributing

If you would like to integrate a new i18n solution into *linguify*, you can set the `conf.data_type` described in the database section. And then add implementation in the `get-text` function for your data type.

Reference

Linguify reference

set-database

Set the default linguify database

The data must contain at least a lang section like described at [database](#) .

Parameters

```
set-database(data: dictionary ) -> content (state-update)
```

data dictionary

the database which will be set to [database](#)

reset-database

Clear current database

Parameters

```
reset-database()
```

get_text

Get a value from a L10n data dictionary.

Parameters

```
get_text(  
  src: dict ,  
  key: str ,  
  lang: str ,  
  mode: str ,  
  args  
) -> The value for the key in the dictionary. If the key does not exist `none` is returned.
```

src dict

The dictionary to get the value from.

key str

The key to get the value for.

lang str

The language to get the value for.

mode str

The data structure of src

Default: "dict"

linguify

fetch a string in the required language. provides context for `_linguify` function which implements the logic part.

Parameters

```
linguify(  
    key: string ,  
    from: dictionary ,  
    lang: string ,  
    default: any ,  
    args  
) -> content
```

key string

The key at which to retrieve the item.

from dictionary

database to fetch the item from. If auto linguify's global database will used.

Default: auto

lang string

the language to look for, if auto use `context text.lang` (default)

Default: auto

default any

A default value to return if the key is not part of the database.

Default: auto

database

None or dictionary of the following structure:

- conf

- `data_type` (string): The type of data structure used for the database. If not specified, it defaults to `dict` structure.
- `default-lang` (string): The default language to use as a fallback if the key in the preferred language is not found.
- ...
- `lang`
 - `en`: The English language section.
 - ...