PI Text Processor

Overview

The PI Text Processor is a Python-based tool designed for converting Standard English texts into PI (Scaffold-Spelling) format. PI, a didactic spelling system, aims to facilitate EFL/ESL learning and general understanding of English pronunciation and spelling. It encapsulates a unique method of text transformation, adhering to distinct linguistic rules.

Components

• Python Scripts:

- main.py: The main script for executing commands.
- config.py: Configuration settings.
- transcriber.py: Handles the transcription of English to PI.
- dictionary.py: Manages the English-to-PI dictionary.
- corpora_manager.py: Manages corpus files for dictionary updates.

• Corpus Files:

- corpus_misc.txt and corpus_1000.txt: Contain English-to-PI word mappings.

• Dictionary Files:

- pi_dictionary.json: Dictionary for English-to-PI conversion.
- dictionary_schema.json: Schema for the conversion dictionary.

• Documentation:

- corpus_info.md and transcriber_steps.md: Provide information on corpus structure and transcription steps.
- Manifesto of PI (written in PI v2.2 L1).pdf: A comprehensive guide to PI language.
- Resumo da ODPI v2.1 (em construção).pdf: Summary of Didactic Orthography (in Portuguese).

Installation

- 1. Install Python 3.x.
- 2. Clone/download the source code.
- 3. Install dependencies: pip install -r requirements.txt.

Usage

The tool provides a CLI for converting English to PI. The main functionality is through the transcribe command, which supports file-based and interactive modes.

Transcribe Command

Converts English text to PI.

```
1 python main.py transcribe [--text TEXT] [--file FILE] [--output OUTPUT] [--variation VARIATION]
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- --text TEXT: Directly specify the text.
- --file FILE: Path to the English text file.
- --output OUTPUT: Path for the transcribed output.
- --variation VARIATION: PI variation (L1, L2, L3, Full Mode).

Example:

```
1 python main.py transcribe --file input.txt --output output.txt --variation L1
```

Interactive Mode

For real-time transcription:

```
1 python main.py transcribe --interactive
```

Type or paste English sentences, and receive PI translations. Exit with a specific command (e.g., 'exit').

Contributing

Contributions are welcome. Please refer to CONTRIBUTING.md for guidelines.

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