

# Define Transliteration

Converting text from one script (here, Roman Hindi) to another script (here, Devanagari) while preserving pronunciation.

## **Input format:**

- A string of Roman Hindi text (either a single word or a sentence).
- Example (word): "namaste"
- Example (sentence): "aap kaise ho"

## **Output format:**

- A string of Devanagari text corresponding to the input pronunciation.
- Example (word): "नमस्ते"
- Example (sentence): "आप कैसे हो"

# Data downloading and cleaning

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- **How much data did you use?**

1,064,180 pairs of Hindi Roman → Devanagari.

- **What kind of sampling of the data did you do?**

None; we used the dataset as-is.

- **From what source?**

[Aksharantar dataset on Hugging Face](#)

- **Did you use any cleaning? If so, what and how, and why?**

Yes. We removed duplicates where a single Hindi Roman input corresponded to multiple Devanagari outputs. In such cases, we kept only the output with the highest score to ensure a one-to-one mapping. (234975)

# Non ml based model

We employed a **rule-based transliteration model** from the indic\_transliteration library to convert Hindi words written in Roman script into Devanagari script. Rule-based models like this typically work by mapping characters or sequences of characters from the source script to corresponding characters in the target script based on predefined linguistic rules. For example, sequences like "aa" might be mapped to "आ", "ch" to "च", and so on. The model follows these deterministic character-level or phonetic rules to generate transliterations.

However, this approach has significant limitations. While it can handle straightforward character mappings, it **fails to capture the broader context of words or sentences**, which is crucial for accurate transliteration, especially in cases of ambiguity or irregular spellings. As a result, the model's **overall performance is low**, achieving an F1 score of **0.7001**, which indicates moderate overlap with the reference transliterations, but the **word-level accuracy is only 0.0518**, highlighting that very few words were correctly transliterated in their entirety

# LSTM Based Transliteration

What did you read for this part of the assignment?

EE782 Lectures for lstm and bilstm models

- Compare greedy decoding vs beam search

LSTM:

Test Loss\_greedy: 0.3339, Test ACC\_greedy: 0.4828, Test F1\_greedy: 0.8895

Test Loss\_beam: 0.3339, Test ACC\_beam: 0.4924, Test F1\_beam: 0.8913

BILSTM:

Test\_all\_Loss\_greedy: 0.3214, Test\_all\_ACC\_greedy: 0.4919, Test\_all\_F1\_greedy: 0.8941

Test\_all\_Loss\_beam: 0.3214, Test\_all\_ACC\_beam: 0.4975, Test\_all\_F1\_beam: 0.8944

- Is your program running?

yes

# Transformer Based Transliteration

What did you read for this part of the assignment?

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2208.10801>

<https://aclanthology.org/2023.findings-emnlp.4.pdf>

- Compare greedy decoding vs beam search

Greedy:

test Loss: 0.3020 | test ACC: 0.4967 | test F1: 0.8942

Beam search:

test Loss: 0.3020 | test ACC: 0.5211 | test F1: 0.9057

- Is your program running?

yes

# LLM Based Transliteration

What did you read for this part of the assignment?

see youtube videos how api calls is done

- Which LLM did you use?

gpt-oss:120b-cloud

- Try with various values for temperature and top\_p.

no takes so much time with values

Test ACC: 0.82, Test f1 score :0.28 (for only 2000 instances)

- Is your program running?

yes

```
# Prompt for transliteration
Tabnine | Edit | Test | Explain | Document
def prompt(roman_word):
    return f"""
    You are a transliteration system. Convert the following Hindi word written in Roman script **literally** into Devanagari script.
    Do not translate, correct, or change the spelling. Output only the Devanagari text, nothing else.

    Roman word: "{roman_word}"
    """
```

# Error analysis based on source

Beam Search

	source	loss	accuracy	f1
0	AK-Freq	0.299481	0.479572	0.904553
1	AK-NEF	0.364182	0.463680	0.877217
2	AK-NEI	0.300088	0.525253	0.899867
3	Dakshina	0.337017	0.511121	0.887763

Greedy

	source	loss	accuracy	f1
0	AK-Freq	0.299481	0.471072	0.903502
1	AK-NEF	0.364182	0.449153	0.875681
2	AK-NEI	0.300088	0.521044	0.898518
3	Dakshina	0.337017	0.509099	0.888725

```
# Sample counts per source
sample_counts = {
    "AK-Freq": 3647,
    "AK-NEF": 826,
    "AK-NEI": 1188,
    "Dakshina": 4451
}
```

# Character level Error analysis

```
# vowel_confusion_pairs = [  
#     ('ि', 'ी'),  
#     ('ु', 'ू'),  
  
#     ('ी', 'ि'),  
#     ('ो', 'ॉ'),  
#     ('े', 'ै'),  
#     ('्र', 'ृ'),  
  
#     ('ॅ', 'ं'),  
#     ('अ', 'आ'),  
  
#     ('े', 'ी'),  
#     ('ा', 'े'),  
#     ('ा', 'ै'),  
  
#     ('ओ', 'ऑ'),  
#     ('ै', 'े'),  
#     ('ं', 'ॅ'),  
#     ('इ', 'ई'),  
  
#     ('ी', 'े'),  
#     ('ए', 'ऐ'),  
#     ('अ', 'ए'),  
#     ('ॉ', 'ो')  
# ]
```

```
# none_transitions = [  
#     (None, 'ा'),  
#     ('ा', None),  
#     (None, 'ि'),  
#     ('ि', None),  
  
#     (None, 'ि'),  
#     ('ि', None),  
#     ('ि', 'ि'),  
  
#     ('ी', None),  
#     ('ृ', None),  
#     ('ो', None),  
#     ('आ', None),  
#     ('ई', None),  
  
#     (None, 'ए'),  
#     (None, 'ो'),  
#     (None, '्र'),  
#     ('ं', None)  
# ]
```



# Character level Error analysis

```
# confusion_pairs_cc = [  
#     ('त', 'ट'),  
#     ('ट', 'त'),  
  
#     ('द', 'ड'),  
#     ('न', 'ण'),  
  
#     ('ड', 'द'),  
#     ('थ', 'ठ'),  
#     ('श', 'ष'),  
  
#     ('ण', 'न'),  
  
#     ('ध', 'ढ'),  
  
#     ('ग', 'ज'),  
#     ('स', 'ज'),  
  
#     ('ढ', 'ड'),  
#     ('स', 'श'),  
#     ('ष', 'श')  
# ]
```

```
# confusion_pairs =  
#     ('न', 'ं'),  
#     ('ं', 'न'),  
#     ('ह', 'ः'),  
#     ('म', 'ं'),  
  
#     ('ा', 'ड'),  
#     ('त', 'ा'),  
#     ('न', 'ा'),  
  
#     ('ओ', 'व'),  
#     ('ई', 'य'),  
#     ('य', 'इ'),  
#     ('इ', 'य')  
# ]
```