

Since I cannot directly send a file attachment through this chat interface, I have prepared the content below in a **clean, document-ready format**.

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Project Resource: Marathi Dialect Converter

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Topic: Marathi Regional Dialects & Implementation Strategies

1. Overview of Marathi Dialects

While Standard Marathi (*Praman Bhasha*) is used in education and government, the spoken language varies significantly by region.

A. Standard Marathi (Praman Bhasha)

- **Region:** Pune, Education, Official Documents.
- **Characteristics:** Grammatically formal. Used as the baseline for translation.

B. Varhadi (Vidarbha)

- **Region:** Amravati, Akola, Yavatmal.
- **Key Features:** Uses "Ha" instead of "La". Continuous tense often uses "Rahili".
- **Tone:** Rhythmic and sweet.

C. Ahirani (Khandesh)

- **Region:** Jalgaon, Dhule.
- **Key Features:** Influence of Gujarati/Hindi. Often ends sentences with "She" (શે) or "Sa".
- **Tone:** distinct rural flavor.

D. Malvani (Konkan)

- **Region:** Sindhudurg, Ratnagiri.
- **Key Features:** Uses "Go" (for females) and "Re" (for males). Verbs often end in "as" (e.g., Kartas).
- **Tone:** Fast-paced, distinct accent.

E. Kolhapuri (Western Maharashtra)

- **Region:** Kolhapur.
- **Key Features:** Direct, "Rough & Tough" affection. Often skips pronouns.
- **Tone:** Energetic and forceful.

2. Translation Matrix: "Tu Kay Kartiy?"

Scenario: Asking a female "What are you doing?"

Dialect	Marathi Script	Pronunciation	Notes
Standard	तू काय करते आहेस?	<i>Tu kay karte ahes?</i>	Grammatically perfect.
Varhadi	तू का करून राहिली?	<i>Tu ka karun rahili?</i>	"Ka" replaces Kay; "Rahili" indicates continuous action.
Ahirani	तू काय करी राहिली शे?	<i>Tu kay kari rathyli she?</i>	Adds "She" at the end.
Malvani	तू काय करतस गो?	<i>Tu kay kartas go?</i>	"Go" is an affectionate suffix for women.
Kolhapuri	काय करायलागलीस?	<i>Kay karay-laglis?</i>	"Tu" is implied/skipped. Action-oriented phrasing.

3. Technical Implementation (No Dataset Approach)

Since there is no public dataset for these dialects, use a **Hybrid Rule-Based + LLM Approach**.

Strategy A: The Dictionary Method (Rule-Based)

Use simple string replacement (Python) for high-frequency words. This is fast and free.

Dictionary Logic:

1. **Map Suffixes:** Change 'La' → 'Le' (Varhadi) or 'La' → 'Ka' (Malvani).
2. **Map Verbs:** Change 'Ahe' → 'Hay' (Varhadi/Kolhapuri) or 'Asa' (Malvani).
3. **Map Pronouns:** Change 'Mala' → 'Male' (Varhadi) or 'Maka' (Malvani).

Strategy B: The LLM Wrapper (AI API)

For complex sentences, send the text to an LLM (Gemini/OpenAI) with a specific system prompt.

System Prompt Example:

"Convert the following Standard Marathi text to **[Target Dialect]**. Keep the meaning unchanged but adapt the grammar, vocabulary, and tone to match the specific region of Maharashtra."

4. Starter Dictionary (JSON Format)

You can use this data structure to start your code.

JSON

```
{
  "varhadi": {
    "ahe": "hay",
    "mala": "male",
    "tula": "tule",
    "kay": "ka",
    "nahi": "nhai",
    "kuthe": "kotha"
  },
  "malvani": {
    "ahe": "asa",
    "mala": "maka",
    "tula": "tuka",
    "kay": "kay",
    "nahi": "nay",
  }
}
```

```
        "kuthe": "khuya"
    },
    "ahirani": {
        "ahe": "she",
        "mala": "male",
        "kay": "kay",
        "nahi": "nahi",
        "kuthe": "kutha"
    }
}
```

Option for Developers: Python Script

If you prefer to generate this PDF programmatically (which is great for your project documentation), here is a Python script using the fpdf library.

Note: You will need a Marathi-supporting font (like Mangal.ttf or NotoSansDevanagari.ttf) on your computer for this script to render the Marathi characters correctly.

Python

```
from fpdf import FPDF

class PDF(FPDF):
    def header(self):
        self.set_font('Arial', 'B', 15)
        self.cell(0, 10, 'Marathi Dialect Project Resource', 0, 1, 'C')
        self.ln(10)

    def create_pdf():
        pdf = PDF()
        pdf.add_page()

        # Note: Standard FPDF doesn't support Unicode/Marathi by default.
        # You must use a Unicode font (TTF) like NotoSans or Mangal.
        # pdf.add_font('MarathiFont', '', 'path_to_mangal.ttf', uni=True)
        # pdf.set_font('MarathiFont', '', 12)

        # For now, we will use Transliteration for the PDF generation example
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```
# to ensure it runs without external font dependencies.  
pdf.set_font("Arial", size=12)  
  
content = [  
    "1. Standard (Pune): Tu kay karte ahes?",  
    "2. Varhadi (Vidarbha): Tu ka karun rahili?",  
    "3. Ahirani (Khandesh): Tu kay kari rahyli she?",  
    "4. Malvani (Konkan): Tu kay kartas go?",  
    "5. Kolhapuri: Kay karay-laglis?",  
    "...",  
    "--- Implementation Strategy ---",  
    "Use a dictionary mapping approach for simple words:",  
    "Mala -> Male (Varhadi)",  
    "Mala -> Maka (Malvani)",  
    "Ahe -> Hay (Varhadi/Kolhapuri)"  
]  
  
for line in content:  
    pdf.cell(0, 10, line, 0, 1)  
  
pdf.output("Marathi_Dialects.pdf")  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    # create_pdf() # Uncomment to run if you have FPDF installed  
    print("Copy the code and run locally.")
```