# The Transconv Package

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#### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 About Transconv

As a linguist who works on East Asian languages, I frequently have to render languages in the Latin script which do not usually use it. While for some contexts, the IPA is certainly the best way to go, there are many situations where it is either unnecessarily unwieldy or omits certain information (e.g. historical one) which may be crucial to the discussion. Therefore, it is often more practical to use a transcription scheme to transcribe the pronunciation (and sometimes certain aspects of the orthography) into (usually) the Latin script. For example, we may use Hanyu Pinyin to transcribe Standard Chinese.

However, these schemes almost always pose at least one of these two problems on a  $\LaTeX$  user:

- 1. They use non-ASCII characters which may be annoying to input, e.g. diacritics, super- or subscripts etc. Obviously it is possible to do this manually with Lagrange commands but it can be extremely obnoxious if you have to use those macros very frequently.
- 2. There are often multiple competing transcription schemes for each language and the author may not always be free in their choice of scheme. So I might write one article using scheme x, but I end up publishing it in a different paper than anticipated and that paper requires me to use scheme y. So I would essentially have to manually find every single instance of me using x and change it to y instead. Obviously this is both tedious and highly error-prone.

The Transconv package for LuaTeX aims to solve these problems by a) letting the user write in a transcription scheme which is easier to input and have the package handle the conversion to the actual output scheme with diacritics etc., and b) abstracting the actual scheme itself away from the text, so the user can switch schemes by simply changing an option, not every instance of them using the scheme.

For instance, if I had to transcribe the Southern Min word for 'fifteen' in the Tâi-lô scheme (tsap-gōo), I would normally have to write:

```
ts\textvbaraccent{a}p-g\={o}o
```

But Transconv allows me to simply use numbers instead of the tone diacritics and write:

```
\tonan{tsap8-goo7}
```

What's more, if I suddenly find myself having to use the POJ transcription scheme instead, all I have to do is change a package option and recompile, and Transconv will output the correct POJ version instead: chap-gō. Or maybe I'm required to use Bbánlám pìngyīm? No problem: zápggoô.

Also as you can see, Transconv has no problem switching back and forth between multiple different schemes, either, if that is what you need.

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## 2 Installing, Uninstalling and Updating

#### 2.1 Installation

Transconv uses Lua code for the conversion, so it will only work with LuaTFX!

In order to be able to use Transconv, you need to copy the transconv.sty file as well as the transconv/ directory (found inside lua/) to a place where LuaTeX can find them. The suggested location for the sty file is within tex/latex/local/ in your local texmf/ directory (typically found within your home directory).

The transconv/ folder can be placed in any directory in your kpathsea path. You can check that path with the following console command:

```
kpsewhich --show-path=lua
```

The suggested location is within scripts/kpsewhich/lua inside your local texmf/directory.

Assuming your local texmf directory is located under that name in your home directory, you can simply execute make install from the repository's top directory (the one containing transconv.sty).

If for some reason, you cannot get LuaTeX to find the module, you can consider using the luapackageloader package to manually modify the path.

#### 2.2 Uninstallation

To uninstall Transconv, locate the transconv.sty file as well as the transconv/ lua package folder and delete them. Assuming they are located in the recommended locations, you can simply run make uninstall from the top directory (the one containing transconv.sty).

#### 2.3 Updating from Earlier Versions of Transconv

To update Transconv to a newer version, locate the transconv.sty file as well as the transconv/ lua package folder and replace them with the new version. Assuming they are located in the recommended locations, you can simply run make install from the top directory (the one containing transconv.sty).

## 3 Package Options

```
scheme = \langle lang \rangle. \langle scheme \rangle
```

This option enables support for the transliteration scheme  $\langle scheme \rangle$  for the language  $\langle lang \rangle$  by setting up the matching converter in Lua and defines the commands  $\langle scheme \rangle$  convert,  $\langle scheme \rangle$  font and  $\langle scheme \rangle$ . It will also ensure that the  $\langle lang \rangle$  and  $\langle lang \rangle$  font commands exist by defining them the first time you define a scheme for a new language. Loading more schemes for the same language after that will not change that default; if you want to change it, use the defaultscheme option or the  $\langle lang \rangle$  the defaultscheme command.

In order to successfully load a scheme, Transconv has to be able to find a file  $\langle lang \rangle / \langle scheme \rangle$ .lua in its lua folder which returns the converter. The option can be used more than once to import multiple schemes.

```
scheme=\{\langle lang 1 \rangle, \langle scheme 1 \rangle, \langle lang 2 \rangle, \langle scheme 2 \rangle, ...\}
```

Imports multiple schemes at once. Equivalent to a repeated use of scheme.

```
defaultscheme = \langle lang \rangle. \langle scheme \rangle
```

Changes the default scheme for language  $\langle lang \rangle$  to  $\langle scheme \rangle$ .  $\langle scheme \rangle$  needs to have been imported using the scheme option, otherwise defaultscheme will have no effect at all.

If you don't use this option, the default setting is the first scheme you imported for  $\langle lang \rangle$  (for instance, if you import both Pinyin and Wade-Giles for Standard Mandarin in that order and don't use defaultscheme, Transconv will use Pinyin as the default scheme).

defaultscheme can be used more than once to define defaults for multiple languages. In case of repeated use for the same language, later default scheme assignments override earlier ones.

```
defaultscheme=\{\langle lang 1 \rangle, \langle scheme 1 \rangle, \langle lang 2 \rangle, \langle scheme 2 \rangle, ...\}
```

Defines default schemes for multiple languages at once. Equivalent to a repeated use of defaultscheme. If the same language appears more than once, later default scheme assignments override earlier ones.

#### 4 Basic Interface

All commands in this section are robust and can therefore be used in expansion-only contexts (e. g. headings or footnotes) without danger.

However, the list of commands you can use within the conversion argument is unfortunately very limited. This is because such commands would be expanded before the string is sent to the converter, which can easily result in an error.

As a rule of thumb, if your command is a simple macro which expand to nothing but text like in the following example, it should be fine:

```
\newcommand\mystring{Zhe4 mei2you3 wen4ti2.}
\topinyin{\mystring}
```

But commands which change some settings (e.g. the font) will likely cause an error, regardless of the environment in which they are used. For example both of the following will not compile:

```
\topinyin{\emph{Zhe3} wu2fa3 bian1yi4.}
\topinyin{{\itshape Zhe3} ye3 bu4 xing2.}
```

#### 4.1 Formatted Conversion Commands

#### $\lceil \langle text \rangle \rceil$

where lang is a language declared via  $\TransconvUseScheme$  or the package option scheme. This command will convert  $\langle text \rangle$  to the default scheme for lang (either the one defined by defaultscheme or else the first scheme defined for lang), using the formatting defined in  $\logonumber \$ 

In most cases, this should be the go-to conversion command to use in your text as it abstracts both the scheme itself as well as its formatting away from the content.

#### $\text{toscheme}\{\langle text \rangle\}$

where scheme is a scheme declared via \TransconvUseScheme or the package option scheme. This command will convert  $\langle text \rangle$  to the scheme using the formatting defined in \schemefont.

Use this command to access specific schemes if you need to import multiple ones for a single language (for example if you are discussing differences between different schemes). Note that \toscheme is provided for all imported languages, including the default one. If you only intend to use a single theme for a given language, use \tolang instead to avoid hardcoding the scheme into your text.

#### 4.2 Unformatted Conversion Commands

#### $\label{langconvert} \aligned \aligned$

where lang is a language declared via \TransconvUseScheme or the option scheme. This command will convert  $\langle text \rangle$  to the default scheme for lang (either the one defined by defaultscheme or else the first scheme defined for lang), but without any formatting. In other words, \langconvert abstracts away the transcription scheme but not the formatting.

It is recommended that you use this command only if the formatting hooks provided by Transconv are insufficient for your purposes, and only to define a custom macro rather than in the actual text in order to maintain the separation of content and presentation.

#### $\schemeconvert{\langle text \rangle}$

where scheme is again a scheme declared via \TransconvUseScheme or the option scheme.

This command merely constitutes a wrapper around the Lua converter without any TeX formatting. Therefore, using this command means you hard-code both the transcription scheme and the way it is formatted. For this reason, it is highly recommended that you use this command only if the formatting hooks provided by Transconv are insufficient for your purposes, and even then only to define a custom macro rather than in the actual text in order to maintain the separation of content and presentation.

#### 4.3 Output Formatting

#### \langfont

where lang is a language declared via \TransconvUseScheme or the option scheme.

This command sets the font formatting for the output of \tolang. By default it expands to \itshape.

#### \schemefont

where scheme is a transcription scheme declared via \TransconvUseScheme or the option scheme.

This command sets the font formatting for the output of \tolang. By default it expands to nothing.

## 5 Configuration

#### \TransconvUseScheme{\langle schemes \rangle}

Sets one or more new scheme(s) up for later usage. Equivalent to using the scheme package option. As with the option, each scheme should be specified as  $\langle lang \rangle$ .  $\langle scheme \rangle$  and multiple schemes can be set up at once by stringing them together with commas.

#### \TransconvMakeDefaultScheme{\langle schemes \rangle}

Sets up an existing scheme as the default scheme for a language used in  $\$ language or language. Equivalent to using the defaultscheme package option. As with the option, each scheme shoult be specified as  $\langle lang \rangle$ .  $\langle scheme \rangle$  and multiple default schemes can be set up at once by stringing them together with commas. The scheme(s) has (have) to already be initialised with either the scheme option or the  $\$ language used in  $\$ language use

## 6 Currently Supported Languages and Schemes

## 7 Custom Schemes and Languages

### 7.1 Adding a New Transliteration Scheme for an Existing Language

Adding a new transliteration scheme involves a little bit of Lua programming, though I tried to make it as painless as possible.

As a first step, navigate to the directory where the Transconv lua files are found (the exact location depends on where you installed it, but it should be called transconv and contain a file named init. lua.

Abbreviation	Language	Supported Schemes
ara	Arabic	DIN 31635 (ara.din, WIP)
cmn	Standard Chinese	Hanyu Pinyin (cmn.pinyin)
		Wade-Giles (cmn.wadegiles)
jpn	Standard Japanese	Hepburn (jap.hepburn)
		Kunrei-shiki (jap.kunrei)
		Nihon-shiki (jap.nihon)
kor	Standard Korean	McCune-Reischauer (original version) (kor.mcr)
		McCune-Reischauer (DPRK version) (kor.mcr-n)
		McCune-Reischauer (ROK version) (kor.mcr-s)
		Revised Romanisation (kor.revised)
nan	Hokkien/Southern Min	Bbánlám pìngyīm (nan.bp)
		POJ/Church Romanisation (nan.poj)
		Tâi-lô (nan.tailo)
		TLPA (nan.tlpa)
san	Sanskrit	IAST (nan.iast)

Table 1: Supported languages

Once in this directory add a new file  $\langle scheme \rangle$ .lua in the folder  $\langle lang \rangle$ . The name of the file will be the scheme name which you have to use to load the scheme later. Open the file in the text editor of your choice and define a new scheme:

```
local MyScheme = Converter:new{
   -- load raw scheme settings for your language
   raw = require(transconv.path_of(...)..".raw"),
   -- settings variables are going to go here
}
```

At the end of the file, return the scheme:

```
return MyScheme
```

You can use any name you want instead of MyScheme. This name is only used to refer to the scheme within the file itself; it has no consequence outside.

Technically speaking you are now set; you have successfully defined a new scheme and should be able to load it by passing  $\langle lang \rangle$ .  $\langle scheme \rangle$  to Transconv's schemes option or the \TransconvUseScheme macro (make sure to use the folder and file name, *not* the name you used inside the Lua file).

However since you didn't specify any settings, Transconv will use the default ones – which result in no changes to the input at all. To get your scheme to do something useful,

you have to override these settings. This can be done by adding member variables and/or functions to your scheme.

#### 7.1.1 Default Member Variables of Schemes

Member variable settings don't change the conversion process itself but merely provide resources which the scheme uses during this process. For minor changes, you usually only need to set a member variable and can leave the algorithm itself alone. The following variables are available to you by default (do not forget to add a comma after each member or Lua will get confused!):

**raw** This variable tells your scheme which raw (input) scheme to use. This should pretty much always be set to the following:

```
raw = require(transconv.path_of(...)..".raw"),
```

This will cause Lua to load the scheme from the raw.lua file in the same folder.

rep\_strings This variable is probably going to be your best friend because it is what tells your scheme to replace certain letter sequences with others. It contains a commaseparated list of string pairs surrounded by curly braces. Each string (letter sequence) should be surrounded with (double or single) quotes and the two items of each pair should be separated with a comma also like so:

```
rep_strings = {
    {"c", "k"}, {"ts", "ch"},
},
```

During conversion, your scheme will look at each of the pairs, find all instances of the first item in your input and replace it with the second item. For example, the above settings will cause it to replace every 'c' with 'k' and every 'ts' with 'ch' (note that by default, the search is case-insensitive, so 'C', 'Ts', 'TS' and 'tS' will also be replaced).

Be aware that the replacements are executed in the order in which you defined them, which means earlier rules can feed into later ones if you're not careful. For example, if we swap the pairs above around:

```
rep_strings = {
    {"ts", "ch"}, {"c", "k"},
}.
```

Then the first rule will first replace every 'ts' with 'ch', but then the second rule will replace the 'c' with 'k' and you end up with the possibly unexpected 'kh'. So if you get surprising replacements, have a look at the order of rules and check if any might be feeding into later ones.

The second thing you have to pay attention to is that certain characters have a special meaning in Lua, so in order for your scheme to use their literal values, you have to escape them. You can find the full list in Table 2.

literal character	escape sequence
\	\\
1	\'
11	\"
•	%.
_	%-
*	<b>%</b> *
%	%%
(	%(
)	%)
+	%+
?	%?
^	%^
[	% [
\$	%\$

Table 2: Lua string escape sequences

So if, for example, you want to replace all instances of 'aa' with 'â', the correct rule would be:

```
{"aa", "\\%^{a}"}
```

**sb\_sep** Use this variable to define a separator if your output scheme requires one to be inserted between different syllables (for example the Wade-Giles scheme for Mandarin Chinese has syllables separated with a hyphen). The separator is not inserted before a space or special characters. The default setting is an empty string.

**tone\_markers** For tonal languages which mark the tones with diacritics, list all tones as integer keys with the macro name for the marker as a value (without the leading backslash). Tones which do not have such a marker should be marked as false. For example the correct setting for Hanyu Pinyin would be:

```
tone_markers = {
  [0] = false, [1] = "=", [2] = "\'", [3] = "v", [4] = "\", [5] = false,
},
```

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The elements 0 and 5 are both set false so the user can use either integer to mark the neutral tone. The single quote for the second tone macro name has to be escaped because Lua would otherwise take it as a special character (cf. Table 2).

The converter will then end up replacing the input a1 with \={a}, a2 with \'{a} etc. In case your tone numbers are consecutive integers starting with 1, you can also simply list the marker strings without explicitly stating the index. So if we disallow using 0 for the neutral tone, the above could also be simplified to:

```
tone_markers = { "=", "\'", "v", "`", false},
```

**second\_rep\_strings** For tonal languages it may occasionally be necessary to do a second round of string replacement after it is already decided where the tone marker should go. Use this variable for this purpose. It works the same way as rep\_strings.

**final\_rep\_strings** Sometimes it is necessary to make some final adjustments to the ouput string as a very last step. For example, LuaTeX – at least on some systems – complains if diacritics are added directly to certain non-ASCII characters, so a string like  $v\{\bar{u}\}$  for instance causes problems and we need to convert it to  $v\{\bar{u}\}$ . For such cases, you can use the variable final\_rep\_strings which also works the same way as rep\_strings.

**no\_tones** For tonal languages, this variable can be set to either true or false. If true, your scheme will simply delete all tones from your output. This allows you to first write your document with tones but then turn them off if your publisher wants tones to be omitted.

#### 7.1.2 Adding and Overriding Methods

If the variable settings are not sufficient to produce the intended result, you can override the default functions of your scheme or add your own ones to supplement them. You may also choose to remove unneeded default functions to get a slight boost in performance if you find conversion is too slow. However, this requires at least a basic understanding of Lua to write the new functions. I will therefore assume for this section that you know how to define a function and add it to a table.

#### **Overriding Default Methods**

Any new transcription scheme will provide you with the following default methods which you can override by simply defining your own custom version and adding it to your scheme table.

**convert(self, input)** This is the central function of your scheme. It must always be present because this is the function which Transconv will call when you use \tolang or a similar command in your document.

By default it will:

- split the input into syllables by calling the associated raw scheme's split\_sbs method,
- 2. check each syllable if it is a valid syllable in the associated raw scheme by calling its is\_valid\_sb method. If not, the syllable is funneled directly into the output without any further processing.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. For valid syllables, it checks if there is already a cached conversion result. If not, it will call the to\_target\_scheme function which handles the actual conversion, store the result in the cache and then funnel it to the output.
- 4. After all syllables have been processed, they are joined back together using the join\_sbs method and the result is returned.

### to\_target\_scheme(self, syllable) The most basic conversion function. It will:

- 1. call the associated raw scheme's get\_sb\_and\_tone method to separate potential tone digits at the end and store them separately,
- 2. call the do\_str\_rep method using the rep\_strings member variable to execute string replacements,
- 3. call the place\_tone\_digit method to identify the correct letter which should carry the marker and insert the tone digit after it,
- 4. call the do\_str\_rep method again, but this time using the second\_rep\_strings member variable for secondary replacements,
- check if the no\_tones variable is set to true. If so, it simply deletes any digits from the string. Otherwise, it calls add\_tone\_markers to replace the digits with the correct tone markers,
- 6. return the end result.

do\_str\_rep(self, syllable, list\_of\_replacements) This function will perform the actual string replacements according to the provided list. It assumes that the list is of the same form as rep\_strings above, i. e. a table of tables, where each of the inner tables contains exactly two strings (original and replacement). It will then loop over the outer table and for each member table:

- 1. convert both the input syllable and the search string to lower so case is ignored,
- 2. search the lower-case syllable for instances of the search string. If it finds any, it then:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This allows you to use foreign words in the input.

- a) checks the case of the first letter in the match for case. If the former is lower-case, it will assume all lower case. If it is upper and the following one is lower, it will assume title case. If both are upper, it will assume all upper case.
- b) performs the string replacement in the appropriate casing,

After it has finished the loop it returns the end result.

place\_tone\_digit(self, syllable, tone) For tonal languages, this method is responsible for placing the tone digit back into the syllable at the correct position. If some other letter will carry the tonal information (typically using a diacritic, but possibly with other means, e. g. reduplication, replacement with another letter etc), this method should identify that letter and place the raw digit behind it. Note that this function only handles placement; the conversion into the correct output form will be handled later by the add\_tone\_marker function.

By default, this function simply adds the tone digit back to the end of the string, so if your scheme requires a different behaviour, you will have to override this method.

add\_tone\_marker(self, syllable) This function looks for digits in the input syllable. If it finds one, it looks up in the tone\_markers variable to find the name of the replacement macro. It then wraps the preceding letter in that macro and deletes the digit. For example, if the tone\_markers variable contains the value "=" at index 1 and your input string is a1ng, then this function will return \={a}ng.

Note that this function should only be used for tones marked with diacritics. If the tone is marked in another way (e.g. reduplication of a letter), add corresponding replacement rules in the second\_rep\_strings instead.

#### **Adding Your Own Methods**

To add your own method to the conversion process, you have to take two steps:

- 1. Implement your Method and add it to your scheme table. If it needs access to any other member variables or methods, make sure to pass a reference to your table as the first argument (either by using Lua's colon syntax or as an explicit argument).
- 2. Override one of the default methods and have it call your custom method at the appropriate step with the appropriate arguments.

#### 7.2 Adding a New Language

To add a new language for which transcription schemes can be implemented, first add a new folder where Transconv can find it. The folder name will be the language name you will have to use when loading schemes from your document later, so make sure you choose something unique and easy to memorise. The default languages use the ISO 693-3

abbreviations and it is strongly suggested you stick to the same convention. If you need to specify a certain subgrouping within a bigger language variety for which no ISO abbreviation has been coined, specify the location after a dash, for example jpn-kyoto for Kyōtō Japanese.

As a second step, you will have to choose a raw input scheme. This scheme should fulfil the following criteria:

- It must contain enough information to convert to any intended target scheme. More specifically, if any feature is reflected even in just one possible target scheme, it must be reflected in the raw scheme also, otherwise conversion to that target scheme will be incorrect. For example, the Japanese Hiragana characters  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  are pronounced exactly the same (ji) and most transcription schemes spell them the same as well. However a select few most notable the Nihon-shiki scheme do reflect the difference in Kana spelling. Therefore, the raw scheme has to make the distinction as well to allow for accurate conversion to those schemes.<sup>3</sup>
- It is strongly suggested that the raw scheme should not make use of non-ascii characters. The reason for this is that Lua makes use of your computer's locale for certain aspects of string handling. As a result, if you use non-ascii characters, the code may or may not work as you expect it on your machine. But even if it does work for you, it might not do so on a machine in a different locale.

Once you have decided on your raw scheme, add a file called raw.lua to your language folder.<sup>4</sup> Document your raw scheme in a comment section at the top.<sup>5</sup>

Below that, add a table for the raw scheme and return it:

```
local raw = Raw:new{
}
return raw
```

Then populate your table with settings and methods. The following are provided by default:

#### 7.3 Default Raw Scheme Member Variables

**cutting\_markers** A list of strings which can be used to define borders between syllables when splitting up an input strings using the split\_sbs method. If not empty, your raw

 $<sup>^3</sup>$ In this case, I decided to follow Nihon-shiki and spell them according to their original phonetic series: zi for  $^{\circlearrowright}$  and di for  $^{\circlearrowleft}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>You don't have to use this name but I suggest you follow the convention. If you don't, any authors of new target schemes will have to use your different name when importing the raw scheme to their file, which could confuse especially unexperienced Lua users.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>If you are using an existing scheme or a slightly modified version of it, you can make this very brief by referencing it, e. g.: 'Pinyin, just with tone numbers at the end of each syllable instead of diacritics'.

scheme will scan the input string and make a cut whenever it finds one of the strings in this list. By default, the list is empty.

#### 7.4 Default Raw Scheme Methods

**get\_sb\_and\_tone(self, input)** Expects a single syllable with information on the tone in it. Returns the raw syllable (without tone information) and an integer representing the tone. By default it will always simply return the input string and 0. If your language is non-tonal, simply ignore this method.

**is\_valid\_sb(self, input)** Use this method to test if the passed string is a valid syllable in your input string. If it returns false for a given string, Transconv will simply not make any changes to it. By default it always returns true.

**split\_sbs(self, input)** Used to split the input into syllables. If your language does not require this (like Japanese for instance), you can override this method to simply return a list with the input string as its only member.

By default it will:

- 1. Check if the cutting\_markers variable is empty. If it is, it will simply make a cut before each non-word character (special characters or whitespace). Otherwise it will search the input for any strings in the list and make a cut before any matches.
- 2. Either way, it puts all syllables in a list and returns it.

## 8 Package Code

#### 8.1 The transconv.sty file

```
%% transconv.sty
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% and version 1.3 or later is part of all distributions of LaTeX version
% 2005/12/01 or later.
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% The Current Maintainer of this work is Sievert von Stülpnagel.
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     lua/transconv/kor/mcr-n.lua
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     lua/transconv/nan/raw.lua
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     lua/transconv/nan/bp.lua
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     lua/transconv/nan/poj.lua
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     lua/transconv/nan/tailo.lua
     lua/transconv/nan/tlpa.lua
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     lua/transconv/san/raw.lua
%
     lua/transconv/san/iast.lua
\NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
% required packages %
\RequirePackage{13keys2e,xparse}
package}
```

```
\ExplSyntax0n
% set up environment %
% Requires the package transconv to be in LuaTeX's search path for packages.
\directlua{transconv = require "transconv"}
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% functions %
% Document command definitions depending on lang name
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_define_lang_convert_command:n #1
 % e.g. "\cmnconvert"
 % use Npx version (expanding the argument as soon as the function is used)
 % because otherwise multiple langs would overwrite each other
 % Use protected to ensure it behaves correctly in fragile environments
 \expandafter\cs_set_protected:Npx\cs:w #1convert\cs_end: ##1
   % use the first entry in default schemes list for the specified language
   % (lua indexes start at 1)
   \noexpand\directlua{tex.sprint(transconv.default_schemes["#1"][1]:convert([[##1]]))}%
 }
}
% Document command definitions depending on scheme name
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_define_scheme_convert_command:n #1
 % e.g. "\pinyinconvert"
 \expandafter\cs_set_protected:Npx\cs:w #1convert\cs_end: ##1
   \noexpand\directlua{tex.sprint(transconv.schemes["#1"]:convert([[##1]]))}%
 }
}
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_define_document_command:n #1
 % e.g. "\topinyin"
 \expandafter\cs_set_protected:Npx\cs:w to#1\cs_end: ##1
   {\cs:w #1font\cs_end:\cs:w #1convert\cs_end:{##1}}
 }
}
```

```
% font switch definition function
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_define_font_switch:nn #1#2
 % e.g. "\pinyinfont"
 \expandafter\DeclareDocumentCommand\cs:w #1font\cs end:{}{#2}
% TODO: define environment?
% defining a new scheme for a language
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_usescheme:n #1
   % retrieve language and scheme names
   \regex_extract_all:nnN {[\w-]+} {#1} \l__transconv_langscheme_seq
   \seq_pop_left:NN \1__transconv_langscheme_seq \1__transconv_lang_t1
   \seq_pop_left:NN \1__transconv_langscheme_seq \1__transconv_scheme_tl
   % set up the converter.
   % For example importing "cmm.pinyin" would result in the following Lua command:
   % transconv:new_converter("cmn", "pinyin")
   % Converter does not need to be stored in variable because conversion
   % commands will retrieve it from dictionaries/arrays of the transconv table
   \directlua{%
     transconv:new_converter(%
       "\tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl",%
       "\tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl"%
     )%
   }
   % define font switches, but only if if they don't exist already in case the
   % user is redefining an existing scheme but wants to keep font settings
   \if_cs_exist:w \tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl font\cs_end:
   \else:
     \__transconv_define_font_switch:nn {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl}{}
   \fi:
   \if_cs_exist:w \tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl font\cs_end:
   \else:
     \__transconv_define_font_switch:nn {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl} {\itshape}
   \fi:
   % (re)define \langconvert and \schemeconvert commands
   \__transconv_define_scheme_convert_command:n {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl}
   \__transconv_define_lang_convert_command:n {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl}
   % (re)define \tolang and \toscheme commands
   \__transconv_define_document_command:n {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl}
   \__transconv_define_document_command:n {\tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl}
```

```
% TODO: (re)define environment?
}
\cs_new:Npn \__transconv_make_default:n #1
   % retrieve language and scheme names
   \regex_extract_all:nnN {[\w-]+} {#1} \l__transconv_langscheme_seq
   \seq_pop_left:NN \l__transconv_langscheme_seq \l__transconv_lang_tl
   \seq_pop_left:NN \l__transconv_langscheme_seq \l__transconv_scheme_tl
   \directlua{%
     transconv:make_default_scheme(%
       "\tl_use:N \l__transconv_lang_tl",
       "\tl_use:N \l__transconv_scheme_tl"%
     )%
   }
}
% Settings commands %
\NewDocumentCommand\TransconvUseScheme{m}
{%
 % call usescheme for every item
 \clist_map_function:nN {#1} \__transconv_usescheme:n
\NewDocumentCommand\TransconvMakeDefaultScheme{m}
 % call make_default for every item
 \clist_map_function:nN {#1} \__transconv_make_default:n
}
% Package options %
% defines legal options and how to process them
\keys_define:nn { transconv }
 scheme .code:n
                      = \TransconvUseScheme{#1},
 defaultscheme .code:n = \TransconvMakeDefaultScheme{#1}
\ProcessKeysOptions{ transconv }
```

#### 8.2 The Lua code

#### 8.2.1 The Main File (transconv/init.lua)

```
main_dir = ...
if main_dir ~= "init" then
   main_dir = main_dir.."."
else
   main_dir = ""
end
DEBUG = false
Raw = require(main_dir.."raw")
schemes = {}
default_schemes = {}
print_debug = function(instring)
   if DEBUG then
       texio.write_nl(instring.."\n")
   end
end
local function path_of(path)
   --[[
       Returns the parent directory of a (dot-separated) path. E.g. "lib.foo"
       for the input "lib.foo.dir"
   return path:match("^(.-)%.[^%.]+$")
end
local function make_default_scheme(self, lang, scheme)
    --[[
       Moves scheme to the front of lang's list in default_languages. Returns
       integer code to reflect the result:
           1: scheme found and made default for lang
           0: scheme already default for lang (no changes done)
          -1: scheme currently does not exist for lang (error)
          -2: there is no scheme set up for lang at all (error)
   --11
   local function move_element_to_front(list, old_i)
       local new_first = list[old_i]
```

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-- take all elements from the beginning (1) up to the one before old_i
        -- and move them to the range starting at index 2 (and thus ending on
        -- old_i)
       table.move(list, 1, old_i-1, 2)
       list[1] = new_first
       return list
    end
    -- return error code if no scheme is set up for lang
    if self.default_schemes[lang] == nil then
       return -2
    end
    -- find scheme in default_schemes list for lang and get its index
    local index = 0
    for i,v in ipairs(self.default_schemes[lang]) do
       if v.name == lang.."."..scheme then
           index = i
           break
       end
    end
    -- handle depending on if the scheme was found and at what index
    if index == 0 then
        -- index 0 means scheme was not found because Lua starts indexing at 1
       return -1
    elseif index == 1 then
       return 0
    else
       self.default_schemes[lang] = move_element_to_front(self.default_schemes[lang], ind
    end
\quad \text{end} \quad
local function new_converter(self, first, second, third)
    Converter = require(main_dir.."converter")
    Raw = require(main_dir.."raw")
    -- process options table if given (either in second or third argument)
    if type(second) == "table" then
       options = second
       second = nil
       options = third or {}
    end
    -- if first input contains a dot surrounded by other characters, interpret
```

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-- it as a directory separator between language and scheme (second argument
   -- is discarded)
   local lang, scheme = first:match("^([^%.]-)%.(.-)$")
   -- if match failed, use first as directory and second as scheme names
   if not scheme then
       lang = first
       if type(second) == "string" then scheme = second else scheme = "" end
       options = third or {}
   end
   -- add main_directory information if invoked from outside
   if main_dir ~= "init" then
       lang_module = main_dir..lang
   else
       lang_module = lang
   end
   local c = require(string.format("%s.%s", lang_module, scheme)):new(options)
   self.schemes[scheme] = c
   -- ensure that default_schemes has an entry for lang
   self.default_schemes[lang] = self.default_schemes[lang] or {}
   -- check if scheme is already in default schemes and replace entry if it is
   local found = false
   for i,v in ipairs(self.default schemes[lang]) do
       if v.name == scheme then
           self.default_schemes[lang][i] = c
           found = true
           break
       end
   end
   -- make new entry if it isn't
   if not found then table.insert(self.default_schemes[lang], c) end
   return c
end
transconv = {
   main_dir = main_dir,
   -- functions
   path_of = path_of,
   make_default_scheme = make_default_scheme,
   new_converter = new_converter,
   -- uselangs = uselangs,
   schemes = schemes,
```

```
default_schemes = default_schemes,
}
return transconv
```

#### 8.2.2 The Converter Prototype (transconv/converter.lua)

```
-- factory function
local new = function(self, conv)
   -- TODO: ensure proper encapsulation
   conv = conv or {} -- create converter object if not specified
   setmetatable(conv, self)
   conv.cache = {} -- necessary to prevent converters from trying to share their cache
   self.__index = self -- make this the prototype for new converters
   return conv
local add_tone_marker = function(self, instring)
       Receives a string and returns it with tone digits replaced with the
       correct diacritics.
    --77
   local t = 0 -- use while because Lua for loops starts at index 1 and we want to include
   while true do
       local marker = self.tone_markers[t]
       -- break on reaching the first index error (ignore 0 because people
       -- might not use it for a given scheme)
       if t > 0 and marker == nil then break end
       -- try to match the tone digit after a letter in the input string
       local needle = string.format('[%%w]%d', t)
       local match = string.match(instring, needle)
       -- ü has to be matched separately because it being 2 bytes long
       -- confuses the matching function if used together with the others
       match = match or string.match(instring, "ü"..t)
       \operatorname{--} if matched and tone is not unmarked
       if match and marker then
           -- get the letter which will carry the tone marker
           local carrier = match:sub(1, -2)
           -- for i and j, use dotless version instead to make way for the
           -- diacritic
           if carrier == "i" then
               carrier = "\i"
           elseif carrier == "j" then
               carrier = "\\j"
           end
```

```
-- wrap the letter in the appropriate LaTeX macro
           local rep = string.format("\\%s{%s}", marker, carrier)
           return instring:gsub(match, rep)
       -- if matched and unmarked
       elseif match and not marker then
           -- just delete the tone number
           return instring:gsub(tostring(t), "")
       end
       -- increase control variable for next iteration
       t = t + 1
   end
   return instring
end
local is_title_case = function(self, str)
       Receives a string, tests if it's title case and returns the result as a
       boolean.
       Title case means that the first (true = non-special character) letter is
       upper case and all following ones are lower case.
   --]]
   -- pattern matches any string consisting of
           - any number of non-letter characters (%A) followed by
           - a single uppercase character (%u) and
           - any number of characters which are not uppercase characters (%U)
   -- If the input string is title case, this pattern should match the entire
   -- string
   return str:match("%A*%u%U*") == str
end
local find_non_command = function(self, char, haystack)
   --[[
       Find the first occurrence of char within haystack (only works for single
       characters!) and returns its index. Returns 0 if char is not found.
   local outindex = 0
   local within_command_name = false
   for i = 1, #haystack do
       local c = haystack:sub(i,i)
       if c:match("\\") then
           within_command_name = true
           goto continue -- go to tag named continue at the end of the loop
       end
```

```
if within_command_name then
           if c:match("%A") ~= nil then
               within_command_name = false
           else
           end
       else
           if c:match(char) ~= nil then
               return i
           end
       end
       ::continue::
   end
   return i
end
local match_case = function(self, needle, replacement, match)
    --[[
       Determines an appropriate casing for the replacement for match and
       returns it. If the original needle contains at least one uppercase
        letter, the replacement is case-sensitive. Otherwise it is
       case-insensitive and the casing in haystack is preserved.
   if needle ~= needle:lower() then
       return replacement
   else
        -- test for all lower case
       if match == match:lower() then
           -- replacement is already correct, so do nothing
       -- test for title case (first letter upper, rest lower)
       elseif self:is_title_case(match) then
           -- get the first lowercase character in the replacement but exclude
           -- command names from search
           local true_first_char_i = self:find_non_command("%w", replacement)
           local head = replacement:sub(0, true_first_char_i-1)
           local capitalised = replacement:sub(true_first_char_i, true_first_char_i):uppe
           local tail = replacement:sub(true_first_char_i+1)
           -- Since we already know replacement to be all lower case, there is
           -- no need to call lower() on the tail
           replacement = head..capitalised..tail
        -- test for all upper case *after* title case because otherwise
        -- a single uppercase input character going to multiple output
       -- characters would always return all uppercase. That is usually
```

```
-- not what we want
       elseif match == match:upper() then
           -- turn to upper case but protect LaTeX command name
           replacement = self.__protected_upper_case(replacement)
       -- if none of these matched, assume we want all lower case
           replacement = replacement:lower()
       end
       return replacement
   end
end
local case_insensitive_pattern = function(self, pattern)
       Takes in a pattern string and turns it to lowercase while preserving
       character classes such as `%S`.
    --]]
    -- Match every letter (group 2), but if it is preceded by '%' get that as
   -- well (group 1) and perform the anonymous function on every match
   local p = pattern:gsub("(%%?)(.)", function(percent, letter)
       if percent ~= "" or not letter:match("%a") then
         -- if '%' was matched, or `letter` is not a normal letter, return without
         -- modification
         return percent .. letter
       else
         -- otherwise, return a case-insensitive character class of the matched letter
         return letter:lower()
   end)
 return p
end
local find_case_insensitive = function(self, haystack, needle, from_index)
       Performs a case-insensitive search for needle within haystack, starting
       from from_index (set the start of the string by default).
   local from_index = from_index or 1
   -- construct lowercase pattern, but respect
   local p = self:case_insensitive_pattern(needle)
   local found = haystack:lower():find(p, from_index)
```

```
return haystack:lower():find(p, from_index)
end
local escape special characters = function(self, input)
   -- local inp = "a\%-b"
   local output = input:gsub("([%%-.%])", "%%%1")
   return output
end
local do_str_rep = function(self, instring, rep_dict)
       Do the appropriate string replacements according to the passed
       replacement dictionary. E.g. Tâi-lô "ts" becoming "ch" in POJ.
       TODO: Can this be optimised so it doesn't have to loop over the
       whole thing?
    --77
   for _, rep_pair in pairs(rep_dict) do
       local orig = rep_pair[1]
       local rep = rep_pair[2]
       local check_from_index = 1
       local failsafe = 0 -- guard against infinite loops
       while self:find_case_insensitive(instring, orig, check_from_index) do
           print_debug("Matched: \""..orig.."\" in \""..instring.."\"")
           local remaining string = instring:sub(check from index)
           local st, en, groupi, groupii = self:find_case_insensitive(remaining_string, o
           -- put empty strings in capture groups if nothing was captured
           local groupi = groupi or ""
           local groupii = groupii or ""
           -- update groups in such a way that groupi will always hold
           -- look behind and groupii look ahead, even if only one group was
           if groupi ~= "" and groupii == "" then
               -- if groupi exists but groupii does not, then we don't know if
               -- groupi was matched before or after the actual match. In the
               -- former case, the entire match as a whole (instring:sub(st, en))
               -- should start with groupi
               if instring:sub(st, en):find(groupi) > 1 then
                   groupii = groupi
                   groupi = ""
               end
               -- in all other cases groupi and groupii should already hold the
               -- correct values
           end
```

```
st = st + groupi:len()
       en = en - groupii:len()
       local match = remaining_string:sub(st, en)
       -- escape special characters so string comparison and substitution
       -- works correctly
       local match_to_compare = self:escape_special_characters(match)
       local replacement = "" -- initialise empty because we need it later
       -- perform replacements only if either 1) the needle is all
       -- lower-case (signalling case-insensitive search), or 2) the needle
       -- matches the found string exactly, including cases
       local matching_case_insensitively = orig == self:case_insensitive_pattern(orig
       -- need to strip look behind/ahead groups from orig. Also need to
       -- take into account possible anchors for start and end of string
       local is_exact_match = orig:gsub("%b()", "") == match_to_compare
           or orig:gsub("%b()", "") == "^"..match_to_compare
           or orig:gsub("%b()", "") == match_to_compare.."$"
       if matching_case_insensitively or is_exact_match then
           replacement = self:match_case(orig, rep, match)
           local needle = self:escape_special_characters(match)
           if groupi == "" then
               needle = needle.."("..groupii..")"
           else
               needle = "("..groupi..")"..needle.."("..groupii..")"
           instring = instring:gsub(needle, replacement, 1)
       end
       print_debug("Result: \""..instring.."\"")
       -- update starting index for the check so the next search starts
       -- from the END of the previous one
       check_from_index = check_from_index + st + replacement:len()
       -- update failsafe loopguard
       failsafe = failsafe + 1
       if failsafe > 10 then
           texio.write_nl("Exceeded repetition limit for \""..orig.."\" in \"")
           texio.write(instring..". Investigate for infinite loop!")
       end
   end
end
return instring
```

```
end
```

```
local join_sbs = function(self, sbs)
    --[[
       Receives a list of syllables in target scheme and joins them together
       to a valid output string.
       TODO
   --]]
   --[[
       for each syllable do the following tests:
       a) Is it the first one?
       b) Does it start with a non-alphanumeric character \neq the separator?
       If either of these is true, leave sb as it is. Otherwise add the
       separator to the front.
       Then add sb to the output table.
    --]]
   for i, sb in ipairs(sbs) do
       if not (i == 1
           or sb == "" -- LuaTeX for some reason sometimes adds "" at the end
           or sb:match("^%W")
           and sb:match("^%W") ~= self.sb_sep
           and sb:match("^%W") ~= "\\") then
               sbs[i] = self.sb_sep..sb
       end
   end
   return table.concat(sbs)
end
local place_tone_digit = function(self, sb, tone)
   --[[
       Receive a syllable with the tone number at the end and return it with
       the number moved behind the letter that is going to carry the
       diacritic.
   --]]
   return sb..tostring(tone)
end
local to_target_scheme = function(self, sb)
       Takes a SINGLE SYLLABLE in raw scheme and converts it to target
       scheme of the converter.
   --]]
   -- separate tone and syllable proper
   sb, tone = self.raw:get_sb_and_tone(sb)
```

```
sb = self.do_str_rep(self, sb, self.rep_strings)
   if tone ~= nil then
       sb = self.place_tone_digit(self, sb, tone)
   -- secondary replacements that depend on the digit being in the
   -- right place already
   sb = self.do_str_rep(self, sb, self.second_rep_strings)
   -- convert numbers to diacritics if wanted, otherwise delete
   -- digits
   if not self.no_tones then
       sb = self.add_tone_marker(self, sb)
   end
   sb = self.do_str_rep(self, sb, self.final_rep_strings)
   return sb
end
local convert = function(self, instring)
   --[[
       Use splitting function to split input strings into syllables. For
       each syllable, check cache if it has been converted before. If not,
       delegate computation to actual conversion function. Either way, join
       the outputs back together and return.
   --]]
   -- split input into sbs
   local sbs = self.raw:split_sbs(instring)
   local outsbs = {}
   for _, sb in ipairs(sbs) do
        -- Do replacements only on syllables that are valid in raw scheme
       if self.raw:is_valid_sb(sb) then
           if self.cache[sb] == nil then
               self.cache[sb] = self.to_target_scheme(self, sb)
           end
           table.insert(outsbs, self.cache[sb])
       else
           table.insert(outsbs, sb)
       end
   end
   return self.join_sbs(self, outsbs)
```

```
end
local __tostring = function(self)
   return self.name
end
local __protected_upper_case = function(instr)
   -- find all command names in input and store them in an array (including the
   -- backslash)
   local command_names = {}
   for c in instr:gmatch("\\%S[%[{%s]") do
       table.insert(command_names, c)
   end
   local outstr = instr:upper()
   -- loop over array of stored commands and replace the uppercased names in
   -- the outstr
   for _, c in ipairs(command_names) do
       outstr = outstr:gsub(c:upper(), c)
   return outstr
end
local Converter = {
   -- converter prototype object
   name = "",
   raw = Raw, -- associate prototype raw scheme as default
   cache = {}, -- cache conversion results for better performance
   no_tones = false, -- set true to omit tone markers from output
   rep_strings = {},
   second_rep_strings = {}, -- for secondary replacement after number movement
   final\_rep\_strings = \{\}, -- for final replacements on the output
   sb_sep = "",
   tone_markers = {
        -- list all tones as integer keys with their appropriate latex macro
        -- name (without the backslash). Unmarked tones should be set false.
       },
   -- functions
   new = new,
   add_tone_marker = add_tone_marker,
   convert = convert,
   do_str_rep = do_str_rep,
   escape_special_characters = escape_special_characters,
   case_insensitive_pattern = case_insensitive_pattern,
   find_case_insensitive = find_case_insensitive,
```

```
find_non_command = find_non_command,
is_title_case = is_title_case,
join_sbs = join_sbs,
match_case = match_case,
place_tone_digit = place_tone_digit,
to_target_scheme = to_target_scheme,
__tostring = __tostring,
__protected_upper_case = __protected_upper_case,
```

return Converter

#### 8.2.3 The Raw Scheme Prototype (transconv/raw.lua)

```
local cutting_markers = {}
local function new(self, conv)
   -- TODO: ensure proper encapsulation
   conv = conv or {} -- create converter object if not specified
   setmetatable(conv, self)
   self.__index = self -- make this the prototype for new converters
   return conv
end
local function get_sb_and_tone(self, sb)
   --[[
       Determines the tone of the syllable passed into it. Returns the
       syllable without the tone digit and the tone as an int.
   --]]
   return sb, nil
end
local function is_valid_sb(self,sb)
   return true
end
local function split_sbs(self, instring)
    --[[
       Split input string into syllables.
    --]]
   local sbs = {}
   if next(self.cutting_markers) ~= nil then -- checks if table is empty
       -- TODO: make cut before each marker
       -- TODO: how accurate is this pattern?
```

```
for sb in instring:gmatch("%W*%w*") do
           -- Test if a) this raw scheme has a (sensible) syllable separator
           -- set, b) that separator is non-empty, and c) the current syllable
           -- starts with it. If so, remove it
           if type(self.sb_sep) == "string" and self.sb_sep:len() > 0 and
               sb:match("^"..self.sb_sep) then
                   sb = sb:sub(self.sb sep:len() + 1)
           end
           table.insert(sbs, sb)
       end
   end
   return sbs
end
local Raw = {
   cutting_markers = {}, -- used for splitting
   --functions
   new = new,
   get_sb_and_tone = get_sb_and_tone,
   is_valid_sb = is_valid_sb,
   -- reorder = reorder,
   split_sbs = split_sbs,
}
return Raw
8.2.4 An Example Scheme: Hanyu Pinyin (transconv/cmn/pinyin.lua)
local function join_sbs(self, sbs)
```

```
-- list of vowels before which an apostrophe needs to be inserted if they
-- are not the first syllable in a word
local vowels = {["a"]=true, ["e"]=true, ["o"]=true, ["\["\["={a}"]=true,
    ["\\={e}"]=true, ["\\-{o}"]=true, ["\\\'{a}"]=true,
    ["\\\'{e}"]=true, ["\\\'{o}"]=true, ["\\v{a}"]=true,
    ["\\v{e}"]=true, ["\\`{a}"]=true, ["\\`{e}"]=true,
    ["\\`{o}"]=true,
}
for i, sb in ipairs(sbs) do
   if i ~= 1 and (vowels[sb:match("^%w")]
       or vowels[sb:match("^{\v=\'}[v=\']{%w}")]) then
       sbs[i] = "\'"...sb
   end
end
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return table.concat(sbs, "")
end
local function place_tone_digit(self, sb, tone)
   -- For the digraph iu place digit behind the u (ui is caught by the vowel
   -- list later)
   if string.match(sb, "iu") then
       return sb:gsub("iu", string.format("iu%d", tone), 1)
   end
   -- check for letters in the order "a e o i u ng m" and place the digit
   -- behind the first one that is found
   local vowels = {
       "A", "a", "E", "e", "O", "o", "i", "u", "v", "Ng", "NG", "M", "m",
   for _, v in ipairs(vowels) do
       if string.match(sb, v) then
           -- put the number behind the first letter in the match
           local vhead = string.match(v, '^[aeioumnAEOMNv].*')
           local vtail = string.match(v, '^[aeioumnAEOMNv](.*)')
           local rep = string.format("%s%d%s", vhead, tone, vtail)
           return sb:gsub(v, rep, 1)
       end
   end
   -- return the result
   return sb
end
local Pinyin = Converter:new{
   name = "cmn.pinyin",
   raw = require(transconv.path_of(...)..".raw"),
   sb_sep = "",
   tone_markers = {
       -- unmarked tones should be set false
       [0] = false, [1] = "=", [2] = "\'", [3] = "v", [4] = "`", [5] = false,
   },
   rep_strings = {
       {"\ddot{u}", "v"}, -- in case somebody enters \ddot{u} as a letter instead of v
       {"gi", "ji"}, {"ki", "qi"}, {"hi", "xi"},
       -- repair "zhi, chi, shi"
       {"zxi", "zhi"}, {"cxi", "chi"}, {"sxi", "shi"},
       {"gv", "ju"}, {"kv", "qu"}, {"hv", "xu"},
   },
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second_rep_strings = {
       {"\{i\}", "\{\setminus i\}"\}, -- use dotless i with diacritics}
    },
    final_rep_strings = {
       {"v", "}\" = use dotless i with diacritics
       {"\\\"{u}{\", "v{\"}, -- restore \v
    },
    -- functions
    join_sbs = join_sbs,
   place_tone_digit = place_tone_digit,
return Pinyin
8.2.5 An Example Raw Scheme: Standard Chinese (transconv/cmn/raw.lua)
--[[
    Use Hanyu Pinyin but with the tone as a number after the syllable. Both O
    and 5 are accepted as markers for the neutral tone. Optionally use v instead
    of ü if that is more convenient.
    Optionally differentiate original velars before i and ü by spelling them as
    such \ (e.g. \ "Nan2ging1") \ for \ compatability \ with \ historicising \ schemes. \ \textit{G}, \ \textit{k},
    h will be changed to j, q, x for schemes which don't make this distinction.
    Ü has to be spelt as "ü" (or "v") in such a case to distinguish it from "u",
    e.g. "güan3".
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local function get_sb_and_tone(self, sb)
   local last = string.sub(sb,-1)
    -- get tone number (including omitted unmarked tones)
    if tonumber(last) then -- returns nil if not a digit
       tone = tonumber(last)
       sb = string.sub(sb,1,-2) -- save syllable without tone number
    else
       tone = 5
    end
    return sb, tone
end
local function is_valid_sb(self, sb)
     -- return invalid if it contains a digit in another position besides last
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local notail = string.sub(sb, 1,-2)

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if sb:gsub("%d", "") \sim= sb and notail:gsub("%d", "") \sim= notail then
        return false
    \quad \text{end} \quad
    -- if all checks were negative:
    return true
end
local function split_sbs(self, instring)
   local sbs = {}
    -- TODO: exact enough?
    for sb in instring:gmatch("%W*[a-zA-Zü]*%d?") do
        table.insert(sbs, sb)
    end
    return sbs
end
local cmnraw = Raw:new{
    get_sb_and_tone = get_sb_and_tone,
    is_valid_sb = is_valid_sb,
    split_sbs = split_sbs,
return cmnraw
```

# 9 Changelog

• add capture capability for replacement strings