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*This revision was done after discovering that L2/10-280 is on the agenda for UTC #126.*

*Compared to the original paper, some of the proposed variants are dropped:*

*— All variation sequences which were related to Janjalif, as in the meantime, the author prefers the application of special tailoring to solve the casing issues there.*

*— All variation sequences which were related to the English Phonotypic Alphabet, as the current proposal on that subject (L2/11-040) addresses the casing issues there in a different way.*

*— All variation sequences which were related to 19<sup>th</sup> century Slovenian alphabets; the issues regarding these characters will be addressed when these characters in fact will be proposed.*

*Besides these droppings, the text is unchanged, to preserve the references in the other papers which are on the UTC #126 agenda referring the same topic.*

## Overview

This proposal consists of two parts:

Part A discusses the use of variation sequences with scripts like Latin and Cyrillic in general, and proposes some principles to be considered when defining such variation sequences in accordance with the rules given in the current Unicode standard 5.2 .

Part B proposes a set of variation sequences for Latin and Cyrillic.

### Part A:

## Benefits of Variation Sequences for scripts like Latin and Cyrillic, and proposals regarding Variation Sequences in general

### 1. The Problem

Unicode encodes characters, not glyphs.

However, there are cases where particular user groups, especially cultural or linguistic groups, recognize only a part of the possible glyphs as adequate representations of that character.

For instance, uppercase forms of newly introduced Latin letters are developed by several user communities separately from their lowercase counterparts, yielding different forms.

Each of these user communities regards "their" forms as adequate, while the other forms may be recognized but perceived as "typographically wrong", "silly", or "cultural ignorant".

As an illustrating example, the letter Ñ U+014A CAPITAL LETTER ENG has valid glyphs like ꞑ. The set of such glyphs constitute the variant which some users in Africa use and expect in their texts (see fig. 6). However, when a user acquainted with the standard form Ñ encounters this, he will recognize it but will find it silly, like a speaker of English is expected to regard an ꞑ-like glyph as an inadequate form of E.

In some cases, this occurs only for text in a specific style (like italic or Roman-serifed). A well-known example are the italic glyphs of some Cyrillic letters, where Serbians use different ones than Russians (see fig. 24, 25).

Requests for getting the wanted form are usually answered by "select a special font for your needs, which provide your preferred glyphs for the affected characters".

However, in these days, "universal fonts" are common which try to serve a part of the user community as large as possible. Such fonts, by their nature, do not give preference to the special needs of any particular groups which may be incompatible with the needs of other parts of the user community.

Especially, such "universal fonts" serve the needs of the Internet community, where the site designer usually cannot rely on the availability of special fonts on the user's side. Instead, the designer relies on the availability of such "universal fonts".

(Technologies to provide fonts on the server side exist, but their use is not widespread. Also, they require technical skills from the site developers, which cannot be assumed in general as internet sites are often created and maintained by amateurs and hobbyists.)

In fact, there are technologies defined which allow a font to contain several glyphs for single characters. But while the general mechanisms for doing so are standardized (i.e. OpenType features), the concrete selection of a specific glyph is not. It is up to the font designer to decide in which way to handle any locale specification provided by a higher level protocol, or which feature called with which parameters are required to select a glyph.

Moreover, it cannot be expected that every font designer is able to incorporate such features in their font. Font designers, especially ones who offer their work for prices affordable to non-commercial users or for free, usually are experts of their subject (i.e. as linguists), and additionally have to be experts of typographic design when the font shall be successful. To be also an expert of a third demanding area—Programming of OpenType features—usually is a burden a little too heavy for a single person or a small team. Professional fonts which are developed by large teams with professionals of all three areas are expensive, and therefore only of a very limited importance for the general public.

Also, the support of such features is restricted today to expensive desktop publication applications like Quark XPress® or Adobe InDesign®. Common text processing applications like older versions of Microsoft Word® do not support OpenType features at all for Latin and Cyrillic (at least, the most recent 2010 version of MS Word starts to support a somewhat limited support of some OpenType features).

Additionally, it must be noted that it cannot be expected that a font incorporates all of the hundreds of different cultural contexts defined as locales, like it cannot be expected that all possible cultural contexts are formally defined as locales. Thus, it is a far simpler task to handle some 50 clearly defined variation sequences found in an easily accessible list, than hundreds of locales which require special knowledge to extract the needed information out of them.

In fact, locales now can simply specify the default application of a variation sequence to a given base

character. Thus, a rendering system simply has to request this simple information from the active locale, instead of having the glyph selection rules incorporating repeatedly in every single font. Thus, the introduction of variation sequences provides an abstraction level which simplifies the glyph selection process in a really significant way.

Also, requesting the user to select an "appropriate" font to get their character to be displayed correctly is a fallback into the era when special fonts were needed to overcome the drawback of limiting the number of characters within a font by 8-bit codes. In that times, you e.g. had to use a special IPA font which maps IPA characters on the position of "ordinary" characters in a proprietary way.

To continue requests like "when you want an 'African f with hook' proper, rather than a slanted 'florin symbol', use a special font where U+0192 uses appropriate glyphs", is something like revitalizing the old-fashioned "when you want an IPA 'e', use a special font where this is mapped onto the code position of the 'e' ".

Also, having to supply an (otherwise) "universal" font with several thousand characters in two different versions "Russian" and "Serbian", which only differ in one character in the Regular style and five ones in the Italic style, should be anachronistic in the age of Unicode.

## 2. The Solution

Fortunately, Unicode already provides a solution which addresses this problem: "Variation Sequences".

According to the current Unicode standard (V5.2, chapter 16.4, p. 511):

- *[They]* ... provide a mechanism for specifying a restriction on the set of glyphs that are used to represent a particular character. They also provide a mechanism for specifying variants, ... that have essentially the same semantics but substantially different ranges of glyphs.

The current Unicode standard (V5.2) describes variation selectors in chapter 16.4:

- **Variation Sequence.** A variation sequence always consists of a base character followed by a variation selector character. That sequence is referred to as a *variant* of the base character. The variation selector affects *only* the appearance of the base character. The variation selector is *not* used as a general code extension mechanism; only certain sequences are defined ...
- ... The variation selectors themselves are combining marks of combining class 0 and are default ignorable characters. Thus, if the variation sequence is not supported, the variation selector should be invisible and ignored. ...
- ... The standardization or support of a particular variation sequence does *not* limit the set of glyphs that can be used to represent the base character alone. If a user *requires* a visual distinction between a character and a particular variant of that character, then fonts must be used to make that distinction. ...

Thus, the 16 "variation selectors" defined as Unicode characters (U+FE00 VS1 ... U+FE0F VS16) can be regarded as "invisible accents" which affect the appearance of the base letter itself, instead of adding a visible diacritical mark.

The second cited paragraph states that the insertion of variation selectors cannot harm any existing data in any existing Unicode-compliant environment: If the font or the rendering system does not interpret the

variation selector, it simply has to ignore it.

This rule is not new to Unicode: Even now, if a variation selector is encountered following a Latin or Cyrillic letter, it has to be ignored (as, until now, there are no valid variation sequences starting with such a letter).

The third cited paragraph states that a given variation sequence must be supported by the font in use. This is something trivial: If the font does not support the wanted glyph, it cannot display it; instead another glyph which represents the character (or which denotes the missing availability of the character at all) is displayed as fallback.

### **3. Characters vs. Variants vs. Glyphs, or: What Variation Sequences are not for**

**Variants** are a means for cases where a part of the glyphs, which are valid representations of the character from a universal point of view, are not considered as appropriate glyphs by specific user groups.

Regarding letters, such user groups usually are groups adhering to a cultural context (defined by language or other criteria).

As a special case, for a character, different uses with different glyph designs may have developed since its encoding, which would justify a disunification today into two (or more) characters. When doing such a disunification is prevented by the quantity of existing data which would be hampered by such a disunification, these uses can be distinguished by introducing new variation sequences, without violating any Unicode stability policy.

(An example are the variation sequences proposed in this paper for U+0192 LATIN SMALL LETTER F WITH HOOK.)

While variants (like character themselves) have a set of glyphs which can represent them (depending of position, style, script variant, etc.), *they are not the glyphs themselves*.

The single difference to a character itself is that for a variant, the set of glyph is usually smaller, and/or that another glyph of the set is the appropriate selection for the representative glyph.

- *This means, a variant is more like a character than like a glyph.*

As a rule of thumb, a variant is only provided instead of encoding a separate character,

- either, if the fundamental identity of a single character is given on other grounds (especially when the different variant is tied to the same counterpart by case pairing),
- or, because the divergent use has emerged after the encoding of the character was done, and a disunification is not appropriate for any reason.

As an example, assume a high-quality font which provides 8 glyphs a1...a8 (contextual glyph variants or whatever), which all are appropriate for "a". Then, selection of VARIANT-1 for "a" may mean (by decision of the font creator) e.g., that the glyphs a3 and a5...a7 and an extra glyph a9 may be appropriate instead (to be selected at last by the context or whatever).

In no case, t"VARIANT-1" is tied a priori to any "glyph no. 1" which may be defined in such a font.

Having said this, variation sequences are a means as inappropriate as character encoding itself for selection of specific glyph variants in specific fonts, like beautiful or cute glyphs, or even specific glyphs in fonts designed for teaching to read and write.

## 4. Application of Variation Sequences

A variant of a character may be selected:

- explicitly, by inserting the code sequence constituting the variation sequence into the text,
- implicitly, by a higher-level protocol, which instructs the rendering system to interpret any occurrence of the base character within its domain, as if it were followed by the variation selector which constitutes the variation sequence.

### 4.1. Explicit Application

Variation sequences are explicitly applied by inserting their code sequence into the text. E.g. to address the ǀ variant of the latin capital letter eng explicitly, the character sequence U+014A U+FE01 will be entered into the text.

This explicit application is appropriate for all situations where the selection of the correct variant by a higher-level protocol is not ensured.

Such situations are e.g.:

- Multilingual text.
- Plain text stored in databases, where the environment in which such entries are retrieved is not fixed.
- Text published on the Internet or sent by e-mail, where it is not ensured that the numerous software products which may display that text at last will correctly evaluate any locale or similar information joined with the text.

### 4.2. Implicit Application

Higher-level protocols may specify the application of a specific variation sequence for specified base characters within their area of appliance. Besides other sources, such protocols may use locales, which in turn may contain lists of variation sequences considered appropriate for application within the domain of the locale.

Implicit applicability of variation sequences means:

- There is no need for insertion of the variation selectors into the text itself.
- All existing data (as long as they are subject to a single locale) stay valid and do not need any change, but will be displayed using the correct character variants, as long as the correct locale is in effect.
- *E.g., Serbians do neither need to clutter their texts with VS2s after each б/г/д/п/т/ш, nor to use a specific version of their preferred font (or an expensive one which does the selection inside proprietarily), to get their appropriate italic forms.*

At this time, as no variation sequences for non-ideographic scripts are given yet, probably there is no higher-level protocol in use which advises the appliance of variation sequences. However, once the mechanism of variation sequences is available, the presumption that such higher-level protocols will come in use is plausible.

### 4.3. Overriding Application

An explicit application of a variation selector overrides an implicit one.

Thus, it is possible to access any variant of a given character even in the domain of the implicit appliance of another variant of the same character.

This implies that it is recommended to define not only the "deviating" variant of a character which is applicable for a specific cultural context, but also explicitly give a variation sequence for the "standard" variant, if such exists in contrast to the "deviating" one.

## 5. Benefits of Variation Sequences

- The possible variants of any characters are clearly documented, easily accessible in the Unicode standard.

*Benefits for font designers:*

- A font designer can easily implement them, without needing to understand all of the cultural subtleties of the user groups spread over the whole world, who are served with these variants.
- The font designer only has to use a single special feature (to select a single glyph based on a two-code sequence, rather than based on a single character code).
- A font designer can serve all user groups who need a specific variant **in a standardized way**, without providing drawbacks to the people who do not want this specific variant.

*Benefits for users:*

- Users can access their preferred variants using "universal fonts", without any change on their data, relying on their selected locale specification (when the "implicit application" is in effect as described in the preceding section).
- Users can access any variant using "universal fonts", by explicit selection of a variation sequence. This is valid independent of the presence of any higher-level protocols.
- Users can access any variant when they use plain text.  
This is especially important for storing text in (i.e. linguistic) databases, which are to be correctly displayed when retrieved in another environment.

Ken Lunde (Adobe Systems Inc.) addresses the last point in his paper about ideographic variation sequences L2/10-211: "Adobe-Japan1 IVD Collection: Current Status and Future Directions". In this PowerPoint presentation, on the second sheet is outlined:

- **The power, safety, and reliability of "plain text"**
  - The ability to survive or endure in more environments

## 6. Proposal: Recommendations for the Proposing of New Variation Sequences

*(In this section, read "variation sequence" as "non-ideographic variation sequence" in all cases.)*

- a. A variation sequence shall be proposed only if the fundamental identity of the base character is obvious, or if an otherwise appropriate disunification of an already encoded

character cannot be done due to existing data.

In any other case, a separate character shall be proposed.

Typical appliances are:

- A lowercase character has developed similar but different uppercase forms in different cultural contexts.
  - A character (or a case pair) has developed a specific appearance in a cultural context, but is regarded by the members of that cultural group definitely as the same character, and is accepted by them also when it appears in its original form.
- b. It is possible to propose variation sequences when the selection or restriction of glyphs or a set thereof applies only for special positional forms (initial, medial, final, isolated), styles (serifed, sans-serif, italic, ...), or script variants (Fraktur/Blackletter, Gaelic, Church Slavonic, ...).
- c. Whenever the selection or restriction of glyphs obtained by a proposed variation sequence is one usually applied uniformly to all characters in a longer text passage (such as selecting/restricting glyphs according to a locale or a cultural context; rather than to denote the use of different variants within a text passage), the existence of a higher-level protocol shall be assumed which does this selection/restriction implicitly.

In consequence of this, there shall be other variation sequences for the same base character (proposed or existing), by which the implicit appliance of the given variation sequence done by the higher-level protocol can be overridden by explicit appliance. *In doing so, the complete set of variants for a given base character stays available even when a higher-level protocol causes the implicit appliance of a variation sequence.*

- d. Whenever more than one variation sequence is given for a base character, and one of them selects the reference glyph of the base character as it is given at the time of the proposal, this variation sequence shall use the variation selector VS1 if applicable.
- e. Whenever a variation sequence is proposed for a letter of a bicameral script, the same variation selector (VS1, ...) shall not be used for the counterpart letter of the other case, unless it defines there a variation sequence which usually is used in the same context with the same meaning. (In other words, use the same variation selector for a case pair only if the "results" can be regarded as a case pair again to be used within the intended language, cultural context, etc.).

This shall also apply for known special case pairings (defined by locales etc.) which deviate from the ones given by the character properties, as far as possible.

*This ensures the invariance of variation selectors on simple case conversion: Either the conversion result is the variation sequence which was intended to use anyway, or the result is a sequence which is not defined as a variation sequence, in which case the variation selector is simply to be ignored according to the Unicode rules.*

To accomplish this, gaps in the variant number sequence of a character are allowed.

## 7. Proposal: Naming of Variation Sequences

It is proposed that each variation sequence, which is not an ideographic variation sequence, is given a unique name, like a character.

This name consists of three consecutive parts, separated by a space:

- a. The name of the character with which the variation sequence starts; as an exception, if that character has a Normative Alias at the time the variation sequence is proposed, this Normative Alias is used instead.  
*Remark: It is likely that variation sequences are proposed which start with U+01A2 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER OI (which has the Normative Alias LATIN CAPITAL LETTER GHA), when it comes to encode historical Latin alphabets used in the area of the Former Soviet Union.*
- b. The term VARIANT-n, where n represents the decimal number (1...16) of the used variant selector (U+FE00 VS1 ... U+FE0F VS16), or "M" followed the decimal number (1 ... 3) of the used Mongolian free variant selector (U+180B FVS1 ... U+180D FVS3).
- c. Something which is associated with the form and/or the purpose of the variant.

As a whole, the name must adhere to all requirements which are valid for a Unicode character name.

Also, each non-ideographic variation sequence automatically constitutes a Named Character Sequence with the same name, denoting the sequence of two Unicode characters which constitute the variation sequence.

In conjunction with the naming rules above, it is proposed that names of characters, and names of Named Character Sequences which are not variation sequences, must not contain parts which begin with "VARIANT-". (This is compatible with the status quo, as no character of Named Character Sequence currently encoded contains such a part.)

## 8. Proposal: Stability Policies

It is proposed that adequate stability policies are established which prevent any accepted non-ideographic variation sequence from deleting, changing, or renaming.

## 9. Proposal: Documentation

At this time, non-ideographic variation sequences are documented in the file StandardizedVariants.txt available in a subdirectory of the Unicode internet site.

To increase the usability for the average user who has access to the text of the standard but is not in comfort with the finding and usage of such files, it is proposed to list the non-ideographic variation sequences also in the Standard text as follows:

- a. In the Unicode code tables, in each block, following the character names list, there is a list of all non-ideographic variation sequences, whose first character is in that block (if such exist). Each such entry consists of:
  1. the "representative glyph" of the variation sequence, in standard style,
  2. if the variation sequence concerns a glyph variation which is only relevant in a speci-



fic style (serifed, italic, ...) or script variant (Fraktur, Gaelic, Church Slavonic, ...), a second glyph in that style or subscript which is representative there.

The style or script variant should be identified in an informative note.

If positional variants are concerned, more than one glyphs may be shown here.

3. the code sequence (consisting of the base character and the variation selector)
  4. the name of the variation sequence,
  5. if applicable, followed by annotations in separate lines, in the same way as characters in the character names list.
- b. Additionally, at the end of each block, there is a list of all Named Character Sequences, whose first character is in that block, and which are not also listed as variation sequences there (if such exist). The format is the same as for the variation sequences list (only that there are no second glyphs).

## Part B:

### Proposal to define 43 Variation Sequences for Latin and Cyrillic

#### 1. Introduction

Here, a total of 43 variation sequences for 21 characters (14 Latin, 7 Cyrillic) is proposed. All of them reflect usage in special cultural contexts.

#### 2. Encoding Considerations

Regarding the naming, the term ALTERNATIVE in a name denotes that the use of the variant in the addressed cultural context is not thorough.

Regarding the ANGULAR variants of U+01B2 and U+028B, the term "WITH HIGH HOOK" is included in the name as the fonts Doulos SIL and Charis SIL (available at <http://www.sil.org>) show a third variant, which is angular but a hook height like the ROUND variants. These are not included here as at this time, no proof of use is at hand, but they may be proposed later. Then, the appropriate naming for these will be "... VARIANT-3 ANGULAR FORM" with no additional term in accordance with the ROUND forms.

#### 3. Proposed Variation Sequences

<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	0061	FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER A VARIANT-1 TWO-STOREY FORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· two-storey form also used when italic (e.g. IPA use)</li><li>· in contrast to 0251 latin small letter alpha</li></ul>
<i>g</i>	<i>g</i>	0067	FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER G VARIANT-1 LOOP-DESCENDER FORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· loop-descender form also used when sans-serif style or italic</li><li>· in contrast to 0261 latin small letter script g</li></ul>
Ɑ	Ɑ	0126	FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER H WITH STROKE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· showing a horizontal protruding bar above of the central H bar</li></ul>
Ɱ	Ɱ	0126	FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER H WITH STROKE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH VERTICAL STROKE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· showing a vertical bar crossing the central H bar in the middle</li><li>· used in the Judeo-Tat language</li></ul>

Ń	014A FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-1 CAPITAL-N WITH HOOK BELOW FORM
Ņ	014A FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM
Ň	014A FE02	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-3 ENLARGED SMALL-N WITH INWARDS HOOK FORM
Ɓ	0181 FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER B WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Ƃ	0181 FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER B WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 TOPBAR FORM · resembles 0182 latin capital letter b with topbar · used in the Toma and Dan/Gio languages of Liberia
Ɔ	0186 FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM · in serifed styles, the serif usually is at the bottom
Ǝ	0186 FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-2 TOP-SERIF FORM · in serifed styles, the serif is at the top · in sans-serif styles, there is no difference to variant-1
ƒ	0192 FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER F WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 FLORIN SIGN FORM
Ƒ	0192 FE01	LATIN SMALL LETTER F WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 LATIN LETTER FORM
Ɗ	019D FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH LEFT HOOK VARIANT-1 CAPITAL-N WITH HOOK BELOW FORM
Ƌ	019D FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH LEFT HOOK VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM · used in some languages of Guinea and the Central African Republic
Ɔ	019F FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER O WITH MIDDLE TILDE VARIANT-1 FORM WITH STRAIGHT BAR INSIDE · resembles 04E8 cyrillic capital letter barred o
Ǝ	019F FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER O WITH MIDDLE TILDE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH TILDE INSIDE
Ɔ	01A5 FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER P WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 FORM WITH LEFT HOOK ABOVE
Ɛ	01A5 FE01	LATIN SMALL LETTER P WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 FORM WITH RIGHT HOOK ABOVE · used in the Serer-Sine language of Senegal
Ɔ	01B2 FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 ROUND FORM
Ǝ	01B2 FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 ANGULAR FORM WITH HIGH HOOK · used in the Toma language of Guinea
Ɔ	01B7 FE00	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER EZH VARIANT-1 FULL-HEIGHT FORM
Ǝ	01B7 FE01	LATIN CAPITAL LETTER EZH VARIANT-2 CAP-HEIGHT FORM
Ɔ	0254 FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM · in serifed styles, the serif usually is at the bottom
Ǝ	0254 FE01	LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-2 TOP-SERIF FORM · in serifed styles, the serif is at the top

			· in sans-serif styles, there is no difference to variant-1
ø	0275	FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER BARRED O VARIANT-1 FORM WITH STRAIGHT BAR INSIDE
ø	0275	FE01	LATIN SMALL LETTER BARRED O VARIANT-2 FORM WITH TILDE INSIDE
ʋ	028B	FE00	LATIN SMALL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 ROUND FORM
ǂ	028B	FE01	LATIN SMALL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 ANGULAR FORM WITH HIGH HOOK · used in the Toma language of Guinea
Ң	040B	FE00	CYRILLIC CAPITAL LETTER TSHE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Ң	040B	FE01	CYRILLIC CAPITAL LETTER TSHE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH STROKE THROUGH ASCENDER · used in some dialects of Juhuri and Tati
Ѣ	0431	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER BE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Ѣ	0431	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER BE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM
Ғ	0433	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER GHE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Ғ	0433	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER GHE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM · different from variant-1 only when italic
Д	0434	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER DE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Д	0434	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER DE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM · different from variant-1 only when italic
П	043F	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER PE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
П	043F	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER PE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM · different from variant-1 only when italic
Т	0442	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER TE VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Т	0442	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER TE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM · different from variant-1 only when italic
Ш	0448	FE00	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER SHA VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM
Ш	0448	FE01	CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER SHA VARIANT-2 SERBIAN ALTERNATIVE FORM · different from variant-1 only when italic · not used thoroughly

#### 4. Proposed Names for Existing Non-Ideographic Variation Sequences

As it is proposed in Part A that non-ideographic variation sequences must be named, here is a proposal for naming the existing non-ideographic variation sequences.

The names are derived algorithmically from the descriptions given in:

<http://www.unicode.org/Public/6.0.0/ucd/StandardizedVariants-6.0.0d7.html>

2229 FE00 INTERSECTION VARIANT-1 WITH SERIFS  
222A FE00 UNION VARIANT-1 WITH SERIFS  
2268 FE00 LESS-THAN BUT NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH VERTICAL STROKE  
2269 FE00 GREATER-THAN BUT NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH VERTICAL STROKE  
2272 FE00 LESS-THAN OR EQUIVALENT TO VARIANT-1 FOLLOWING THE SLANT OF THE LOWER LEG  
2273 FE00 GREATER-THAN OR EQUIVALENT TO FOLLOWING THE SLANT OF THE LOWER LEG  
228A FE00 SUBSET OF WITH NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH STROKE THROUGH BOTTOM MEMBERS  
228B FE00 SUPERSET OF WITH NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH STROKE THROUGH BOTTOM MEMBERS  
2293 FE00 SQUARE CAP VARIANT-1 WITH SERIFS  
2294 FE00 SQUARE CUP VARIANT-1 WITH SERIFS  
2295 FE00 CIRCLED PLUS VARIANT-1 WITH WHITE RIM  
2297 FE00 CIRCLED TIMES VARIANT-1 WITH WHITE RIM  
229C FE00 CIRCLED EQUALS VARIANT-1 WITH EQUAL SIGN TOUCHING THE CIRCLE  
22DA FE00 LESS-THAN EQUAL TO OR GREATER-THAN VARIANT-1 WITH SLANTED EQUAL  
22DB FE00 GREATER-THAN EQUAL TO OR LESS-THAN VARIANT-1 WITH SLANTED EQUAL  
2A3C FE00 INTERIOR PRODUCT VARIANT-1 TALL VARIANT WITH NARROW FOOT  
2A3D FE00 RIGHTHAND INTERIOR PRODUCT VARIANT-1 TALL VARIANT WITH NARROW FOOT  
2A9D FE00 SIMILAR OR LESS-THAN VARIANT-1 WITH SIMILAR FOLLOWING THE SLANT OF THE UPPER LEG  
2A9E FE00 SIMILAR OR GREATER-THAN VARIANT-1 WITH SIMILAR FOLLOWING THE SLANT OF THE UPPER LEG  
2AAC FE00 SMALLER THAN OR EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH SLANTED EQUAL  
2AAD FE00 LARGER THAN OR EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH SLANTED EQUAL  
2ACB FE00 SUBSET OF ABOVE NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH STROKE THROUGH BOTTOM MEMBERS  
2ACC FE00 SUPERSET OF ABOVE NOT EQUAL TO VARIANT-1 WITH STROKE THROUGH BOTTOM MEMBERS

A856 FE00 PHAGS-PA LETTER SMALL A VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM  
A85C FE00 PHAGS-PA LETTER HA VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM  
A85E FE00 PHAGS-PA LETTER I VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM  
A85F FE00 PHAGS-PA LETTER U VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM  
A860 FE00 PHAGS-PA LETTER E VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM  
A868 FE00 PHAGS-PA SUBJOINED LETTER YA VARIANT-1 REVERSED SHAPING FORM

1820 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER A VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1820 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER A VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
1821 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER E VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1822 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER I VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1823 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER O VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1824 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER U VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1825 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER OE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1825 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER OE VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
1826 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER UE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1826 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER UE VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
1828 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER NA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
1828 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER NA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
1828 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER NA VARIANT-M1 SEPARATE FORM  
182A 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER BA VARIANT-M1 ALTERNATIVE FORM  
182C 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER QA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM OR FEMININE SECOND FORM  
    . second form when initial or medial  
    . feminine second form form when isolate  
182C 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER QA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
182C 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER QA VARIANT-M3 FOURTH FORM

182D 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER GA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM OR FEMININE FORM  
 · second form when initial or medial  
 · feminine form when final

182D 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER GA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
 182D 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER GA VARIANT-M3 FEMININE FORM

1830 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1830 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER SA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM

1832 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1833 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER DA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1835 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER JA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1836 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER YA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1836 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER YA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM

1838 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER WA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

1844 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO E VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1845 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO I VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1846 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO O VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1847 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO U VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1847 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO U VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM

1848 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO OE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1849 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO UE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

184D 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO QA VARIANT-M1 FEMININE FORM  
 184E 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER TODO GA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

185D 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE E VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 185E 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE I VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 185E 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE I VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM

1860 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE UE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

1863 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE KA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1868 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE TA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1868 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE TA VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM

1869 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE DA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 186F 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER SIBE ZA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

1873 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU I VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1873 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU I VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
 1873 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU I VARIANT-M3 FOURTH FORM

1874 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU KA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1874 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU KA VARIANT-M1 FEMININE FIRST FINAL FORM  
 1874 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU KA VARIANT-M2 FEMININE FIRST MEDIAL FORM  
 1874 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU KA VARIANT-M2 FEMININE SECOND FINAL FORM  
 1874 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU KA VARIANT-M3 FEMININE SECOND MEDIAL FORM

1876 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER MANCHU FA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

1880 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI ANUSVARA ONE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1881 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI VISARGA ONE VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

1887 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI A VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 1887 180C MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI A VARIANT-M2 THIRD FORM  
 1887 180D MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI A VARIANT-M3 FOURTH FORM

1888 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI I VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM  
 188A 180B MONGOLIAN LETTER ALI GALI NGA VARIANT-M1 SECOND FORM

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## 6. Examples and Figures

*Note: In the revision which was made within short time to update L2/10-280 for discussion on UTC #126, some figures were dropped. As due to lack of time the figures were not renumbered, the number sequence contains gaps.*

**Fig. 3:** Example of:

0067 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER G VARIANT-2 LOOP-DESCENDER FORM

Retrieved 2010-06-02 from:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Obsolete\\_and\\_nonstandard\\_symbols\\_in\\_the\\_International\\_Phonetic\\_Alphabet](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Obsolete_and_nonstandard_symbols_in_the_International_Phonetic_Alphabet)

This figure shows a table in a sans-serif font, where the in the first column of the second row, a "g" is displayed in the form with loop descender. As such is not available now, a picture of the letter is included instead.

ř	long-leg R	voiced strident apico-alveolar trill (Czech ř)
g	looptail g	voiced velar plosive
ø	ou	close-mid back unrounded vowel or voiced velar fricative
я	reversed r or Cyrillic ya	voiced epiglottal trill

Fig. 4: Example of:

0126 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER H WITH STROKE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH VERTICAL STROKE  
 From: Agarunov, 1997, pg 83. – This is Fig. 1 from L2/08-034R.



zэгэ подмигивать, делать кому-либо знаки глазами  
 hуndуg 1. а) высокий; hуndуg mаrd мужчина высокого роста; рос-лый мужчина; б) громкий; 2. а) высоко; б) громко; hуndуg bigэ стать высоким; hуndуg vаgаfdэ повышаться, возвышаться, подниматься  
 hуndуgэbuj рослый, высокий, вы-сокого роста  
 hуndуgi вышина, высота, возвышен-ность; э hуndуgi вверх, вверху; навсрх, наверху; эz hуndуgi а) с высоты; б) громко  
 hуndуgirэpэjmuu высотомер  
 hуzum дрова, полено, кусок древе-сины; hуzum vэncigэ рубить дрова  
 hуzumi древесный; годный на дрова  
 hуzumvэnci лесоруб, дровосек



hэb пилюля  
 hэсэ 1. подпорка с раздвоенным концом; 2. развилыстый, раздво-енный  
 hэсэjэzuhuu имеющий раздвоенный язык  
 hэсэмат 1) медицинские банки, ста-вящиеся на лоб или затылок с целью отсасывания крови и кро-вопускания (изготавливаются из рогов домашних животных); 2) кровопускание  
 hэсэтхуна (см. тэж. zохut) туалет, уборная  
 hэdd 1) границы, предел; 2) мера (степень); эz hэdd vэdarfdэ пе-реходить границы (дозволенного), переборщить;

hэddэn zijod, эz hэddiш zijod - безмерно  
 hэddsyz 1. безграничный, презмер-ный, неограниченный; 2. а) без-гранично, беспредельно; б) без меры; множество  
 hэddsyz-hisobsyz несметный, бес-численный, бессчетный  
 hэjf 1. жаль, жалко; досадно; hэjf kэšigэ жалеть, сожалеть; 2. мечь; hэjfgэ vэdэšэndэ мстить, отомстить  
 hэjf-hэjf, hэjfkі межд. жаль! увы!  
 hэjfi жалко  
 hэjkэл (hэkэл) статуя, изваяние  
 hэjkэkоx, hэjkэлšunas ваятель, скульптор  
 hэjo стыд, стыдливость; hэjo kэšigэ чувствовать, испытывать силь-ный стыд; стыдиться, стесняться; hэjo dogэ устыдить; выговари-вать  
 hэjoly стыдливый, скромный, за-стенчивый  
 hэjosyz бесстыдный, беззастенчи-вый, наглый, нахальный  
 hэjosuzi бесстыдство,наглость, на-хальство  
 hэjot двор  
 hэjru очарованный, восхищенный; hэjru sоkхэ очаровывать, вос-хищать, пленять; hэjru bigэ очаровываться, восхищаться, пленяться; тэ эгity hэjru gэrdom! (обращение к дорогому человеку) да буду я восхищен тобой!  
 hэjvon 1) животное, скотина; vэhэzэ hэjvon зверь; дикий зверь; 2) перен. жалкий, несчастный; 3) ру-зат. скотина, бовлан; hэjvon bigэ рузат. озвереть, стано-виться скотиной  
 hэjvondor животновод  
 hэjvondori животноводство  
 hэjvoni 1. скотство; 2. скотский; зве-риный; 2) перен. грубость, хам-



Fig. 5: Example of:

014A FE00 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-1 CAPITAL-N WITH HOOK BELOW FORM  
From: LBT, 1988. – This is Fig. 2 from L2/08-034R.

14 Èé Jisè wó wolodí va wə bè Kalalii kagbòè nù Nḡàla  
Wɔi Nyinàà wə de kewùì jàdè, wə fùin gbàvàiídí dè kagbo  
dòò ei fandɛ jèì gbìn nù. 15 Wò bedí wə dè wòlî sele siya  
Jusíò Nḡàla sààì bóì nù ḡwɔnò wo gbìn wò sadí wòì kaaje  
tègbèlè gbàà.

Fig. 6: Example of:

014A FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM  
From: BFBS, 1965, pg 350. – This is Fig. 3 from L2/08-034R.

32 Paulo e hâmockonec fafahare irec dân mume gâcnezi  
mu surec embiḡ, â gâcnezi mumbiḡ, «Dân i dameḡ mocte  
33 wâc mutec mananzepeneḡ.» ḡ Iḡuc epie Paulozi behec-  
34 -joparâ rawec. Nḡic gâcnezi ine Paulorao qohotahuc Jesure  
biḡe embiḡ. Jaḡeraonec zaḡ sâko moc zâḡene Dionisio,  
erâ ḡokac moc zâḡene Damari, erâ gâcne.

Fig. 7: Examples of:

014A FE02 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER ENG VARIANT-3 ENLARGED SMALL-N WITH INWARDS HOOK FORM  
0186 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-2 TOP-SERIF FORM  
0254 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-2 TOP-SERIF FORM  
From: Agarunov, 1997, pg 83. – This is Fig. 4 from L2/08-034R.

Waa jaa yaka tɛɛ mbe oye kpɔɔ

<sup>27</sup>Kena ḡḡi ni oo tɛɛ mbe oye kpɔɔ na hin? Yaka n wa  
Nḡi na, oo jaa na oye kpɔɔri mbra yuu na o li mbra yire  
na ree? Oḡnhɔn! Mbra na ma Nyiekpɔɔ yila mu o fraka  
la, ḡga o Yesu Kristo shɔ mu li kre na yi. <sup>28</sup>Nḡa o chin  
yi na, shɔnlie na Nyiekpɔɔ lewo le na u fraka, ki n pe  
ḡga we taa Mbose mbra na yi. <sup>29</sup>Ndee e jawa na Nyiekpɔɔ  
wre, Judae chiin wo wi ra? Mble pe n pe Judae pre  
Nyiekpɔɔ ma na ree? Pe Nyiekpɔɔ wi. U pe mble pe n pe  
Judae wo na. <sup>30</sup>Nyiekpɔɔ, uu nunu chom, shɔnlie kolo na  
we Judae le na pe fraka, a shɔnlie kolo na we mble pe n  
pe Judae pre le na pe fraka na. <sup>31</sup>Kena o yire shɔnlie na  
mu Mbose mbra wa ree? Oḡnhɔn! La, mbra yiree wa n  
yire haa.

**Fig. 10:** Example of:

0181 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER B WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 TOPBAR FORM

028B FE00 LATIN SMALL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-1 ROUND FORM

From: *British and Foreign Bible Society, 1971/2002, pg 255.* – This is Fig. 5 from L2/08-034R.

14 Tei Ziize na keelaitie te ye Yelusulee te menini ga Sameelia  
yui yee zeini Gala goi wu, te Pite leveni ta J5 te wo ve.  
15 Niitie te vaani te Gala feli te vaa ma ga te Gala baa ninesi  
yee maa zolo wo. 16 Bvelaale e le neni de vaani te ta nape  
po. Ke te bataize yeeni de no ga tie de maliyii Ziize na daa-zeigi  
zu. 17 Pite Bga J5 te yee vee sa te wumo te Gala baa ninesi yee  
maa zolo wo.  
18 Tei Saimo weleni na va ga Gala baa ninesi yee maa 5 zolo  
wo Ziize na keelaitie ta yee-vee-nu-wumo zaala zu, e wuloni ga  
navolo 19 e ye te ma, "Na balaa a gaa-bai ni ve zeca, kee vaa

**Fig. 11:** Example of:

0181 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER B WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 TOPBAR FORM

A78D FE00 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER TURNED H VARIANT-1 ANGULAR FORM (first letter in second row)

From: *Trinitarian Bible Society, 1989, p.380.* – This is Fig. 6 from L2/08-034R.

Yi Den Aafi, u gu le gbee pa saalee l  
H kawo wo gblinqza lipaqza ka.  
Bj, u zopuu-menua Kin kae, u wok  
4 Oo yi Den, de e ka lo suu u lae?  
De e ka lo u to ye nee e kpaoze?

**Fig. 12:** Example of:

0192 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER F WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 LATIN LETTER FORM

0254 FE00 LATIN SMALL LETTER OPEN-O VARIANT-1 STANDARD FORM

From: [http://www.unicode.org/udhr/d/udhr\\_ewe.pdf](http://www.unicode.org/udhr/d/udhr_ewe.pdf) (UDHR in Ewe), p.2.

Esi eme ko faa be gomekpokpo kple Ablɔdemɛnɔnɔ gɔmesese tsitotsito nye nu vevito wu, hena takpokpo  
na adzɔgbedeɖe sia bliboe ta la,  
XEXEME DUKO JOFUAWO FE TAKPEKPEGĀ LE GBEFĀ DEM:  
Amegbetowo fe Ablɔdevinyenye nu Kpeɔdzinya sia be, enye doɔo si dzi mieda asi do na amewo katā le

**Fig. 14:** Example of:

019D FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH LEFT HOOK VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM

From: *PBT, 1999, p.5.* – This is Fig. 7 from L2/08-034R.

naxanyi. Mangan yi a walikene yamari fa fala e xa yamaan  
nafan fene raba tun.  
9Mangana a paxanla, Baate Fasita fan bata yi paxanle  
malan Manga Asuyerusu a banxini deege paxanaxani.  
10Jlaxa paxana xii soloferede, Manga Asuyerusu to

**Fig. 15:** Example of:

019D FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH LEFT HOOK VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM  
From: PBT, 1999, p.5. – This is Fig. 7 from L2/08-034R.

**Bono bonaa, ko Jikku mayru on boni**



Ɓande goo Bono fokkiti dennabo ka  
esiraaɓe mun. Ndu wi'i yo jikku mayru  
on habbo ndu ka mayru, haa ndu arta,  
hita o hersinoy ndu. Jikku on jaabii,

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**Fig. 16:** Example of:

019D FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH LEFT HOOK VARIANT-2 ENLARGED SMALL-LETTER FORM  
From: PBT, 1995, p.1. – This is Fig. 9 from L2/08-034R.

naxan mu yoma Aƙa ma.  
Ɓelexinyi na Adama nan be,  
Alatala xa seriye rafan naxan ma,  
naxan a xaxili dɔxɔma Alatala xa seriye xɔn ma kɔɛ nun  
yanyi.

**Fig. 17:** Examples of:

019F FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER O WITH MIDDLE TILDE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH TILDE INSIDE  
0275 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER BARRED O VARIANT-2 FORM WITH TILDE INSIDE

*The left figure shows a page from a primer (Temirxanov M., Alifba. Mahac-Qala, 1935; p.67) of the Kumyk language spoken in Dagestan (Russian Federation), which had a Latin orthography (similar to the Janjalif alphabet) for some years about 1930.*

*The right figure shows an enlarged detail of the left one.*

Qumuq alifba.

A a	B b	C c	Ç ç	D d	E e
<i>Aa</i>	<i>Bb</i>	<i>Cc</i>	<i>Çç</i>	<i>Dd</i>	<i>Ee</i>
F f	G g	Q q	H h	I i	J j
<i>Ff</i>	<i>Gg</i>	<i>Qq</i>	<i>Hh</i>	<i>Ii</i>	<i>Jj</i>
K k	L l	M m	N n	N n	O o
<i>Kk</i>	<i>Ll</i>	<i>Mm</i>	<i>Nn</i>	<i>Nn</i>	<i>Oo</i>
Ө ө	P p	Q q	R r	S s	S s
<i>Өө</i>	<i>Pp</i>	<i>Qq</i>	<i>Rr</i>	<i>Ss</i>	<i>Ss</i>
S s	T t	U u	V v	X x	Y y
<i>Ss</i>	<i>Tt</i>	<i>Uu</i>	<i>Vv</i>	<i>Xx</i>	<i>Yy</i>
Z z	Z z	b b			
<i>Zz</i>	<i>Zz</i>	<i>bb</i>	<i>ba'li</i>		



**Fig. 18:** Example of:  
01A5 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER P WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 FORM WITH RIGHT HOOK ABOVE  
From: Toumieux, 2001. – This is Fig. 10 from L2/08-034R.

## LEÇON 1

### Présentation générale de l'alphabet sérère

A a	B b	Ɓ ɓ	C c	Ɔ ɔ	D d
Ɗ ɗ	E e	F f	G g	H h	I i
J j	K k	L l	M m	Mb mb	N n
Nd nd	Ng ng	Nj nj	Nq nq	Ñ ñ	Ij ij
O o	P p	P̣ p̣	Q q	R r	S s
T t	Tf tf	U u	W w	X x	Y y
Yy					

**Fig. 19:** Example of:  
01A5 FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER P WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 FORM WITH RIGHT HOOK ABOVE  
From: Toumieux, 2001. – This is Fig. 11 from L2/08-034R.

### Exercice 7

Lisez le texte suivant et répondez aux questions :

O tuuduuf sutooxu a duufik. Ye ta sulaa, a seek a leng no ax ke a sama kam a fat ale. A seek a lakas a yena maa mayeerna mbuuy. A looya. Yaa njeec' naa a sumna, a leepa, yaam jegee a pay. A seek a lakas a sama maa jegna kic. A seek a palakaand ale a sama no lanq paax ke.

- 1) Na naxax alene, a seek ax a podnum njegu ?
- 2) Xar taxu a seek a fikandeer ale a leep' ?
- 3) Xar a naxax alene tektu ?

Fig. 20: Example of:

01B2 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 ANGULAR FORM WITH HIGH HOOK

028B FE01 LATIN SMALL LETTER V WITH HOOK VARIANT-2 ANGULAR FORM WITH HIGH HOOK

From: PBT, 2007, December. – This is Fig. 12 from L2/08-034R.

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Dans cette même région, il y avait des bergers qui passaient la nuit dans les champs pour garder leur troupeau. Un ange du Seigneur leur apparut et la gloire du Seigneur les entourait de lumière. Ils eurent alors très peur. Mais l'ange leur dit: "N'ayez pas peur, car je vous apporte une bonne nouvelle qui réjouira beaucoup tout le peuple: cette nuit, dans la ville de David, est né, pour vous, un Sauveur; c'est le Christ, le Seigneur. Et voici le signe qui vous le fera reconnaître: vous trouverez un petit enfant enveloppé de langes et couché dans une crèche." Tout à coup, il y eut avec l'ange une troupe nombreuse d'anges du ciel, qui louaient Dieu en disant: "Gloire à Dieu dans les cieux très hauts, et paix sur la terre pour ceux qu'il aime!"

Luc 2:8-15

Baala make nuiti ti ġeni naama yooi no zu, ti ġeni doġoi zu, ti da ta-logani ġulugiti make kpidii. Maliġii ná-geezuġelai gila ge ġulani ti ve kelema, Maliġii ná-lebiyai voloni ti-maaġoolii zu. Ti wola luani. Kele geezuġelai ġeni ti ma: «À mina lua, mazoloo woo niina vago ġa ġe daazeelizu wo ma, nii é vaazu ġeezu ga nufuseiti pe ta-ġoozune va: Toozei za Davide ná-taazuve, Kizo nui zolooa wo ve, nii é ga Kilista, Maliġii. Nii é ġeezu ga poogi wo ve naa ġa ga, va doun zolooa niina ġaazu maavelevelegai, é laani toganiiti daami anipakai ta zu.» Gaamago no, geezuġeela ġulugi vaani, é bo geezuġelai va, ti da GALA muse, ti da ġe ma: «Lebiyai ġa GALA be geeġolugiti unga munu, ziileigi ġe zooi ma, neebe nuiti be!»

Luke 2:8-14

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**Fig. 21:** Example of:  
01B7 FE01 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER EZH VARIANT-2 CAP-HEIGHT FORM  
From: *Girdenis, Alexas: Kalbotyros darbai, (Studies in Linguistics), vol 3: 1988-2000; Vilnius 2001, p.92.*

**4.0.3.** Ir arsyje, ir tezyje, sekant Antikos (ypač Homero, plg. 1.1.2) tradicija, skiemenys kartais dirbtinai ilginami rašybinėmis geminatomis:

Ši n ō m j ū k, k a I á u c z e i m ū m s r é p l ó d ā m ĩ r i e k i a,  
Kuinaì t ū r, k à d l i e p j a m ' j i e m s, s k r a i d y d ā m ĩ t r u p p i t' [52–53] P416–417

Ši n ō t' j ū k, k a i p G r y b a s, k à d j ĭ m ó k ĩ p ā p r ó w i t',  
W i r r ā l ū s i r Ā w ĭ ž u K r ū p à s u ž g a r d ĭ n ā f z a u n e y [54–55] W610–611

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**Fig. 23:** Example of:  
040B FE01 CYRILLIC CAPITAL LETTER TSHE VARIANT-2 FORM WITH STROKE THROUGH ASCENDER  
From: *Gurshumov, 2004, p.32. – This is Fig. 13 from L2/08-034R.*

Ѡофт сал, э Ѡэсрэт «Бэбэ».  
Гузэт бу Кэлэбэбэ.  
Ширинэ гофэ «Ѡ-Бэ»  
Заур, эз ки мишинним?

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**Fig. 24:** Examples of:  
0431 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER BE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0433 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER GHE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0434 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER DE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
043F FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER PE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0442 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER TE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
From: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Special\\_Cyrillics.png](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Special_Cyrillics.png), retrieved 2010-07-29.  
Accompanying text (2007-10-20): This image was made by H92.  
Description: An overview of special Cyrillic letters used in Macedonian and Serbian, compared with the same letters in standard Cyrillic. The Cyrillic characters are written with Adobe Minion Pro, and Open Type font.

Standard  
Regular б г д п т  
Italic б ǵ ð n m

Serb./Mac.  
Regular ѓ г д п т  
Italic ѓ ĩ ǵ ū ū

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**Fig. 25:** Examples of:

0431 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER BE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0433 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER GHE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0434 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER DE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
043F FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER PE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0442 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER TE VARIANT-2 SERBIAN FORM  
0448 FE01 CYRILLIC SMALL LETTER SHA VARIANT-2 SERBIAN ALTERNATIVE FORM

*From: [http://typography.com/fonts/font\\_features.php?featureID=14&productLineID=100026](http://typography.com/fonts/font_features.php?featureID=14&productLineID=100026)  
retrieved 2010-07-29; Page title: Hoefler & Frere Jones; Whitney features  
("Whitney" being a font).*

*The following pictures show excerpts of that page.*

**Consulting with H&FJ on the project were two Cyrillists: Maxim Zhukov, former Typographic Coordinator to the United Nations, and Ilya Ruderman, creator of the Type & Typography program at the British Higher School of Art and Design in Moscow. Each brought a culturally enlightened perspective to the critique, and helped us to evaluate our work in the types of linguistic settings in which designers would be most likely to use the fonts.**



### **Cyrillic Localization**

**Three of the most widely-spoken languages that use the Cyrillic alphabet exhibit regional differences in the shapes of their letters. Not merely stylistic variations, these are significant morphological alterations without which their host languages can look foreign.**



Fig. 26: Examples of:

A78D FE01: LATIN CAPITAL LETTER TURNED H VARIANT-2 CHE FORM

This figure shows two specimens of Latin alphabets used in Slovenia in the 19th century: the left one is the Dajnko alphabet, the right one the Metelko alphabet. Both alphabets show an adaptation of the Cyrillic che (Чч). While the appearance of the uppercase character (encircled in red) is retained, the lowercase one (enclosed in green) gets the appearance of a turned h in both cases. Therefore, the unification with U+0256 LATIN SMALL LETTER TURNED H is obvious.

The other letters of these alphabets which are not encoded yet will be subject of a later proposal, which will discuss these letters in detail.

#### IV

Misli se zato brez vse skerbi, da bode toti hasek hitro tydi vsaki sam spoznal, ino namesto dozdajnih pismenc skoro z' dosta veksim veseljom Slovenske knjige v' nazóqnih, kak pa v' dozdajnih znamlah bral. Teliko veq se to obéqa, da je vsaki, ker le nekaj pismo rázumi, toto potrebo ze duqe leta vidil ino s' poti meti htel.

Spodóba ino poméneqe totih novo zebranih pismenc je taka: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, ŋ, o, p, r, s, s, z, x, t, u, y, v, q.

Vse se izgovárjajo, kak dozdaj, le pridoqe so novo zaponiti:

Dozdaj	Odzdaj	
z	c	Celo serce
nj	ŋ	Negova ŋiva
f	s	Sunce sija
fh	s	Sega vasa
s	z	Zima merzla
sh	x	Xelím duxnost
ü	y	Dysa, lydje
zh	q	Fast, qlovek

E i n l e i t u n g.

Krainische und aus andern Alphabeten gleichbedeutende Schriftzeichen:

Neu-Krain. Alt-Krain. Kroatische, Deutsche, Französ. Italienische.

A	a	a	a	a	a
B	b	b	b	b	b
D	d	d	d	d	d
E	e	e	e	e	e aperto
Є	ě	— (?)	é	é	e chiuso(?)
F	f	f	f	f	f
G	g	g	g	g: gant	g: gara
H	h	— h	h	— h	—
I	i	i	i	i	i
Є	i, ù, e	— (?)	— e	e: que	—
J	j	j	j	i: mien	j
K	k	k	k	c: car	ch
L	l	l	l	l	l
L	lj	lj	—	il: ail	gl: gli
M	m	m	m	m	m
N	n	n	n	n	n
N	nj	nj	—	gn	gn
O	o	o	o	o	o chiuso
Ø	ò	—	—	oi (?)	o aperto (?)
P	p	p	p	p	p
R	r	r	r	r	r
S	s	f	sz	š	s: son s: sono
W	w	fh	ss, sh	sch	che sce
Ч	ч	shzh	sch	sch	—
З	з	s	z	f: sefen	z s: rosa
Ж	ж	sh	s	—	j
T	t	t	t	t	t
U	u	u	u	ou	u
V	v	v	v	v	v
Н	n	z	cz	s	z: zio
Ч	ч	zh	ch	sch	c: ciò

**PROPOSAL SUMMARY FORM TO ACCOMPANY SUBMISSIONS  
FOR ADDITIONS TO THE REPERTOIRE OF ISO/IEC 10646<sup>1</sup>**

Please fill all the sections A, B and C below.

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**A. Administrative**

1. Title:	<b>Proposal to add Variation Sequences for Latin and Cyrillic letters</b>
2. Requester's name:	<i>Karl Pentzlin</i>
3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution):	<i>Expert Contribution</i>
4. Submission date:	<i>2011-02-07</i>
5. Requester's reference (if applicable):	
6. Choose one of the following:	
This is a complete proposal:	<i>Yes</i>
(or) More information will be provided later:	

**B. Technical – General**

1. Choose one of the following:		
a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters):	<i>No</i>	
Proposed name of script:		
b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block:	<i>No</i>	
Name of the existing block:		
2. Number of characters in proposal:	<i>No new characters; 43 Variation Sequences for 21 existing characters</i>	
3. Proposed category (select one from below - see section 2.2 of P&P document):		
A-Contemporary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B.1-Specialized (small collection) <input type="checkbox"/>	B.2-Specialized (large collection) <input type="checkbox"/>
C-Major extinct <input type="checkbox"/>	D-Attested extinct <input type="checkbox"/>	E-Minor extinct <input type="checkbox"/>
F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic <input type="checkbox"/>	G-Obscure or questionable usage symbols <input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Is a repertoire including character names provided?	<i>Yes</i>	
a. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines" in Annex L of P&P document?	<i>(Yes)</i>	
b. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?	<i>Yes</i>	
5. Fonts related:		
a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font to the Project Editor of 10646 for publishing the standard?	<i>TBD</i>	
b. Identify the party granting a license for use of the font by the editors (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.):		
6. References:		
a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided?	<i>Yes</i>	
b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other sources) of proposed characters attached?	<i>Yes</i>	
7. Special encoding issues:		
Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as input, presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)?	<i>Yes</i>	
	<i>Use of Variation Sequences</i>	
8. Additional Information:		
<p>Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script. Examples of such properties are: Casing information, Numeric information, Currency information, Display behaviour information such as line breaks, widths etc., Combining behaviour, Spacing behaviour, Directional behaviour, Default Collation behaviour, relevance in Mark Up contexts, Compatibility equivalence and other Unicode normalization related information. See the Unicode standard at <a href="http://www.unicode.org">http://www.unicode.org</a> for such information on other scripts. Also see <a href="http://www.unicode.org/Public/UNIDATA/UCD.html">http://www.unicode.org/Public/UNIDATA/UCD.html</a> and associated Unicode Technical Reports for information needed for consideration by the Unicode Technical Committee for inclusion in the Unicode Standard.</p>		

<sup>1</sup> Form number: N3702-F (Original 1994-10-14; Revised 1995-01, 1995-04, 1996-04, 1996-08, 1999-03, 2001-05, 2001-09, 2003-11, 2005-01, 2005-09, 2005-10, 2007-03, 2008-05, 2009-11)

**C. Technical - Justification**

1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? If YES explain	No
2. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body, user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)? If YES, with whom? If YES, available relevant documents:	No
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included? Reference:	Yes see text
4. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare) Reference:	Common see text
5. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community? If YES, where? Reference:	Yes see text
6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed characters be entirely in the BMP? If YES, is a rationale provided? If YES, reference:	n/a
7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered)?	n/a
8. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing character or character sequence? If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided? If YES, reference:	Yes Yes This is what Variation Sequences are for
9. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either existing characters or other proposed characters? If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided? If YES, reference:	Yes Yes Only Variation Sequences consisting of existing characters are proposed
10. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function) to an existing character? If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided? If YES, reference:	Yes Yes Variation Sequences are similar to their base characters by definition
11. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences? If YES, is a rationale for such use provided? If YES, reference: Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provided? If YES, reference:	No
12. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as control function or similar semantics? If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)	No
13. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility character(s)? If YES, is the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic character(s) identified? If YES, reference:	No