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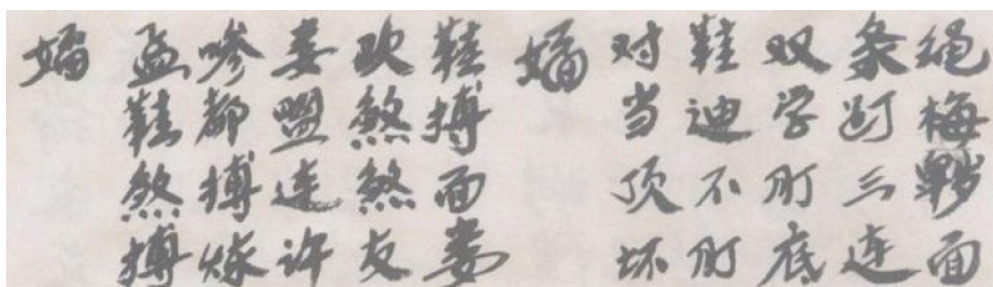
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China is now collecting characters for candidates to the coming CJK Unified Ideographs Extension F. The sum of characters may be reduced when submitting. The known sources are as below:

- Square Zhuang Script (方塊壯字), 1000+ characters

The Zhuang nation (壯族) is the largest minority nation which has 10 million more people in China, and has a province leveled Guangxi Zhuangzu Autonomous Region (廣西壯族自治區) in South China.

The Square Zhuang Script was designed for recording Zhuang language, by simulating the design of Hanzi. There are tens of thousand Square Zhuang characters being used, most of them are the same as Hanzi but having different meanings and pronunciations. We estimated that that there are 1000 more characters need to be encoded, after checking the encoded CJK Unified Ideographs and its extensions.



A sample of Pingguo Liaoge (Pingguo County Folksongs, 平果嘹歌)

- Characters used in local history books and others, 5000+ characters

By checking against CJK+A+B and early Ext. C, the National Library of China found 4900 more characters used in local history books not encoded, in 2008. We will check them against CJK+A+B+C+D+E. (See also IRGN1467)

Adding characters from other sources, there are 5000 more characters to be candidates to CJK_F.