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Preliminary Proposal to Encode Siddham in ISO/IEC 10646

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1 Introduction

This is a preliminary proposal to encode the Siddham script in the Universal Character Set (ISO/IEC 10646). It is a collaborative effort between the Script Encoding Initiative (SEI) at the University of California, Berkeley and the Shingon Buddhist International Institute, Fresno, California. Feedback is requested from experts and users of the script. Comments may be submitted to the author at the email address given above.

Siddham is a Brahmi-based writing system that originated in India, but which is used primarily in East Asia. At present it is associated with esoteric Buddhist traditions in Japan. Nevertheless, Siddham is structurally an Indic script and its proposed encoding adheres to the UCS model for Brahmi-based writing systems, such as Devanagari and similar scripts. The technical description for Siddham given here may differ from the traditional analysis and philosophical interpretations of the script and its constituent characters and glyphs. An attempt has been made to encode all distinct characters attested in Siddham records, although more characters may be uncovered through additional research. The characters that are proposed for encoding have been analyzed in accordance with the character-glyph model of the UCS. As a result, the proposed encoding may contain characters that are not part of traditional character repertoires. It may also exclude characters that are traditionally regarded as independent letters, such as conjuncts, which are to be represented in the manner specified by the UCS encoding model.

A total of 84 characters is proposed for Siddham: 14 vowel letters, 14 dependent vowel and related signs, 33 consonant letters, 1 VIRAMA, 1 invocation sign, 4 punctuation marks, 3 repetition marks, 1 NUKTA, and 14 section marks. Other characters have been identified, but are not yet proposed for encoding because additional information regarding their usage is required (see Section 6).

Siddham is allocated to the Supplementary Multilingual Plane (SMP) at the range U+11580..U+115FF. Character names follow the UCS convention for Brahmi-based scripts. The proposed code chart and names list are shown in figures 1 and 2. The code chart draws upon a document prepared by Michael Everson (1999), but offers some revisions and new additions. Representative glyphs are based upon the 'Tenchiji' font designed by the Shingon Buddhist International Institute with assistance from Lee Collins and Peter Lofting. The present author has added new glyphs and made some modifications to existing glyphs.

2 Background

The Siddham script ((托達 siddham, (托達 siddhām; Sans. 讯速 siddhām; Chi. 悉曇文字 xītán wénzì; Jap. 悉曇 shittan; Kor. 실담 siltam) is a Brahmi-based script historically used for writing Sanskrit in China, Japan, and Korea. It is also known in Japan as bonji (梵字; Chi. fànzì; "Brahmā letters" < Sans. 承訊 brahmā). At present, Siddham is used predominantly in Japan, where it is associated with the Shingon (真言) and Tendai (天台) schools of Japanese esoteric Buddhism (密教 mikkyō). Siddham was used for writing Buddhist manuscripts, but it is now mainly used for ceremonial and ritualistic purposes, such as the copying of sūtra-s and the writing of mantra-s and bījākṣara-s "seed syllables" associated with esoteric Buddhist practices. It was also used for inscriptions on statuary, amulets, and other artefacts.

Tradition states that the esoteric philosopy for Siddham was introduced in Japan in 806 by the Buddhist monk Kūkai (空海) (774–835), who learned the script in China from Prajñā (Sans. प्रजा; Chi. 般若三藏 Bōrě Sāncáng) (734–c.810), a monk from Kashmir who served the Buddhist community of Chang'an (modern 西安 Xi'an) as an expert of Sanskrit and translator of Buddhist texts (van Gulik 1980: 114; Abe 1999: 117–119). Known better by his posthumous title Kōbō-Daishi (弘法大師), Kūkai was the founder of the Shingon ("True Word") school. Another proponent of Siddham in Japan was Saichō (最澄) (767–822), also called Dengyō-Daishi (伝教大師), who was the founder of the Tendai school.

There are several regional forms of Siddham. The Japanese form is described here and it is presented as the normative form for the encoding. In Japan, Siddham calligraphy is classified as 'formal' or 'informal' based upon the implement used for writing. The 'formal' script is written using a wooden stylus called *bokuhitsu* (\hbar ; Chi. *mù-bĭ*), while the 'informal' or 'brush' style is written using the common hair-tipped *fude* (; Chi. $\pm m$ *áo-bĭ*). The 'formal' and 'informal' styles of letters are shown in figures 12–17. The forms of Siddham letters used in Korea (see figures 21–26) differ significantly from those of Japanese and Chinese Siddham. However, given the close relationships between the regional forms and their identities as 'Siddham', it is practical to unify these variants with the proposed script block.

Siddham is most closely related to Sharada (see tables 1 and 2), a Brahmi-based script that originated in Kashmir and that was used throughout northwestern India for producing manuscripts and inscriptions (see Pandey 2009). The use of Sharada spread from India into Central Asia and travelled from there to China with Buddhist monks. Although there are not many records in Central Asian Siddham, an example of it is found on the palm-leaf manuscripts of the Hōryū-ji (法隆寺) temple in Nara, Japan (see figure 6), which were brought there from China in 609. Unlike Siddham written with the *bokuhitsu* or *fude*, the Siddham letters on the Hōryū-ji manuscripts were written with the typical Indian reed-pen. A detailed palaeographical description of the Siddham of these manuscripts was presented by Georg Bühler (1884).

Additional background information will be provided in the formal proposal.

3 Writing System

3.1 Structure

The general structure (phonetic order, *mātrā* reordering, use of *virāma*, etc.) of Siddham is similar to that of Devanagari. Consonant clusters are represented as conjuncts. Some consonants and vowel signs have different shapes when they occur in certain environments.

3.2 Directionality

Siddham is written hozitonally left-to-right, but it is also written vertically top-to-bottom with lines proceeding from right-to-left. See figure 4 for an example of Siddham written left-to-right and figure 5 for text written top-to-bottom.

3.3 Virāma

The Siddham vIRAMA is identical to the corresponding character in Devanagari. It is used for silencing the inherent vowel of a consonant and for producing consonant conjuncts. The default rendering of VIRAMA is as a visible sign. The VIRAMA is known in Sanskrit as हलान्त *halanta* and in Japanese as 怛達点 *tatatsu-ten*.

3.4 Vowel Letters

There are 14 vowel letters proposed for encoding:

A	Α	3	U	ত	0	٦	VOCALIC L
Æ	AA	S	UU	X	AU	ŀ	VOCALIC LL
% %	Ι	タ	E	£	VOCALIC R		
مې	II	খ	AI	£	VOCALIC RR		

Encoding Order The vocalic letters appear at the end of the vowel order in the traditional Siddham arrangement. This practice is retained in the encoding order.

Graphical variants Variant forms of vowel letters are attested, eg. \Re AA is also written as \Re (see figure 12). These are glyphic variants that are to be managed through fonts. Different forms of vowel letters are used in Korean Siddham (see figure 21).

3.5 Vowel and Related Signs

There are 14 dependent vowel and related signs (Jap. 摩多 mata < Sans. मात्रा mātrā) proposed for encoding:

े	VOWEL SIGN AA	്	VOWEL SIGN E	ू	VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR
্	VOWEL SIGN I	ি	VOWEL SIGN AI	ं	SIGN ANUSVARA
ી	VOWEL SIGN II	េរ	VOWEL SIGN O	ै	SIGN CANDRABINDU
्	VOWEL SIGN U	৾৾	VOWEL SIGN AU	ः	SIGN VISARGA
्	VOWEL SIGN UU	്	VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R		

Unattested vowel signs Dependent forms of γ vowel letter vocalic L and γ vowel letter vocalic LL are as of yet unattested. Space has been reserved in the code chart in the event that additional research uncovers such characters.

Encoding Order The signs for the vocalic letters appear at the end of the vowel-sign order in the traditional Siddham arrangement. This practice is retained in the encoding order.

Graphical variants There are glyphic variants of vowel signs (see figures 12 and 19), which are to be managed through fonts. One of the most common variants is the use of \degree for \degree VOWEL SIGN AI.

Alternate forms There is an alternate form for VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR. Normally, this sign is written as 2. The two-part form 2t is also attested; it is a combination of 2 VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R and Ct VOWEL SIGN AA, in which the latter sign acts as a vowel-length mark.

Nasalization The signs ANUSVARA and CANDRABINDU are used for indicating nasalization.

Visarga The sign : VISARGA represents post-vocalic aspiration (/h/). In Sanskrit phonology, it indicates an allophone of $\mathcal{F}($ sA or \mathcal{J} RA in word-final position.

Ordering of multiple signs In certain cases, such as when writing 'seed syllables', a base letter that is combined with the signs ANUSVARA OF CANDRABINDU may also be combined with the sign VISARGA, eg. \mathbf{x} : or \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{x} . In such cases the VISARGA is written last: $<\mathbf{x}$ AA, \mathbf{x} CANDRABINDU, \mathbf{x} VISARGA> $\rightarrow \mathbf{x}$: \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} . Rendering engines should recognize such sequences of combining marks as valid.

3.6 Consonants

There are 33 consonant letters proposed for encoding:

Т	KA	Ł	NYA	٩	DHA	থ	LA
নৰ	KHA	Ċ	TTA	শ	NA	٢	VA
ন্	GA	0	TTHA	વ્	РА	R	SHA
च(GHA	1	DDA	G	РНА	ષ	SSA
T	NGA	ち	DDHA	đ	BA	F (SA
শ	СА	M	NNA	ৰ্ন্	BHA	ধ্	HA
Þ	СНА	T	ТА	ম	MA		
豖	JA	લ્	THA	द्य	YA		
£	JHA	Ę	DA	τ	RA		

Each consonant bears the inherent vowel /a/, represented by \Re A, which is silenced using \bigcirc VIRAMA. Variant forms of consonants are attested (see figures 13–17); these are to be managed at the font level.

3.7 NUKTA

The sign ONUKTA is used for transcribing sounds for which distinct characters do not natively exist in the writing system (see figure 42). The NUKTA is not a traditional Siddham character, but it is part of 現代悉曇 *gendai shittan* "modern Siddham", which is an extension of Siddham that accommodates the writing of Japanese and English. The name of the character is derived from the Arabic word is *nuqtah* = *nukta* "dot" and corresponds to characters such as OU+093C DEVANAGARI SIGN NUKTA.

The NUKTA is generally written with a letter that has the closest phonetic proximity to the target sound. For example, in figure 43 it is shown combined with \mathbf{x} JA for representing /z/. The NUKTA is always combined

with the letter that it modifies. If written with a consonant that is also combined with a vowel sign, then it is ordered immediately after the consonant, eg. $< \mathbf{K}$ JA, \circ SIGN NUKTA, \circ VOWEL SIGN U> $\rightarrow \mathbf{K}$ zu.

3.8 Consonant Conjuncts

Consonant clusters are written as conjuncts. They are not encoded as independent characters. Conjuncts are represented using VIRAMA, which is written after each consonant in a cluster. Siddham conjuncts are written vertically, horizontally, and as independent ligatures. Additional details will be provided in the formal proposal.

There are traditional Chinese and Japanese tabulations for Siddham conjuncts. One such classification system was described in the manual *Xītán Zìjì* (悉曇字記) by the Chinese monk Zhì-guǎng (智廣) (d. 806), who organized the various possible cluster combinations of Siddham consonants into eighteen categories (see figure 44). Examples of several conjuncts are shown in figures 45–60.

Shaping The shape of some consonants change when they occur in conjunct-initial position (eg. $\mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K}$; $\mathfrak{T} \to \mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K}$, $\mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K}$, $\mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{K}$, $\mathfrak{K} \to \mathfrak{$

Depth Siddham conjuncts may represent clusters with large numbers of consonants. For example, a conjunct of six consonants is f *rksvrya*, which is produced using the sequence $< \mathfrak{T}$ RA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} KA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} SSA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} VIRAMA, \mathfrak{T} RA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} SSA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} RA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} SSA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} SSA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} RA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} SSA, \bigcirc VIRAMA, \mathfrak{K} S

Special Conjuncts The glyphs $\langle k, sa$ and \dot{g} *llam* are often shown as independent letters in Siddham charts. The *kşa* represents conjuncts of different consonant letters and *llam* represents conjuncts of geminate consonants. Based upon the UCS encoding model, they are not independent letters, but conjuncts. They are to be represented using the following sequences: $\langle k \rangle = \langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \rangle$ (compare Devanagari $\langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \rangle$); \dot{g} = $\langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \langle k \rangle \rangle$. It may be practical to define these conjuncts as named character sequences (see Section 6).

Default Representation It is expected that a basic Siddham font will contain the necessary glyphs for properly representing conjuncts. A consonant cluster is depicted with the appropriate conjunct glyph only if such a glyph is available in the font. If the conjunct glyph is unavailable, the bare consonants in the cluster are depicted using their full forms combined with a visible VIRAMA. While these depictions of conjuncts may not be used in Siddham orthography, they are necessary for the representation of the script in plain text. In order to render Siddham text appropriately in the absence of distinct glyphs for any possible conjunct, it is recommended that a set of condensed forms of letters in conjunct-initial and non-initial positions be available so that arbitrary conjuncts may be rendered in the vertical orientation used in Siddham orthography.

3.9 Consonant-Vowel Combinations

Vowel signs combine with consonant letters and conjuncts as in Devanagari. Some consonant shapes are modified when they are written with vowels (eg. $\Re KA \rightarrow \pi$ when combining with $\Im VOWEL SIGN U$: $\Re ku$). Some vowel signs are written as contextual forms when they occur with certain consonants. For example, $\Im VOWEL SIGN U \rightarrow \Im$ and $\Im VOWEL SIGN UU \rightarrow \Im$ when combining with $\Im VOWEL \Im A$, $\Im A$,

3.10 Invocations

The following characters are used as invocations:

- 1. SIDDHAM This sign is written at the beginning of a text (see figures 6 and 37). It has a verticallyoriented glyphic variant & (see figure 32). The sign is traditionally analyzed as being formed from the lower portion of \Im 1. Palaeographically, \Im corresponds to characters used in other Indic scripts, where it represents the Sanskrit word सिद्धम् *siddham* "accomplished" and the phrase सिद्धिरस्तु *siddhirastu* "may there be success".
- 2. *om* The sacred syllable *om* is represented using the sequence $\langle \mathfrak{T} \circ, \mathfrak{T} \rangle$ CANDRABINDU> $\rightarrow \mathfrak{T}$. A distinct *om* character is not attested for Siddham.

3.11 Punctuation

The following punctuation characters are proposed for encoding:

- 1. L DANDA This mark is used for marking the end of sentences and other short text sections (see figures 31, 39, 40). It has a graphical variant < that is used in 'informal' Japanese Siddham. The DANDA corresponds to, but is graphically distinct from, | U+0964 DEVANAGARI DANDA.
- 2. I DOUBLE DANDA This mark is used at the end of paragraphs and larger text blocks (see figures 31, 39, 40). It is also written with an underdot 1. The graphical variant 2 is used in 'informal' Japanese writing. The DOUBLE DANDA corresponds to, but is graphically distinct from, II U+0965 DEVANAGARI DOUBLE DANDA.
- 3. WORD SEPARATOR ONE This sign is used for marking boundaries between words. It is written at the head-height and is distinct from the middle dot. Usage of WORD SEPARATOR ONE is shown in figure 37.
- 4. WORD SEPARATOR TWO This sign is used for marking boundaries between words and phrases. Its usage is shown in figures 39, 40, 41, where it appears alongside + DANDA and + DOUBLE DANDA.

The following punctuation mark is not proposed for separate encoding:

1. • Word and phrase separation is also indicated using a • middle dot (see figure 38). This mark differs from • WORD SEPARATOR ONE in terms of its vertical placement. It is to be written using the already encoded · U+00B7 MIDDLE DOT.

Other similar characters are identified in see Section 6.

3.12 Section Marks

The following 14 characters are used for marking the end of sections: 3 section mark one, 3 section mark one, 3 section mark two, 3 section mark three, 3 section mark four, 3 section mark five, 0 section mark six, 3 section mark seven, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark eight, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark nine, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark ten, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark televen, ill section mark twelve, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark thirteen, $\frac{1}{2}$ section mark fourteen.

The first twelve marks are attested in various Siddham manuals (see figures 31, 32, 34). The last two are attested in a manuscript (see figure 38). The :II: SECTION MARK TWELVE is graphically distinct from other

section marks, perhaps also functionally, and could be encoded as a completion-of-text mark (see Section 6).

3.13 Repetition Marks

The **2** REPETITION MARK ONE, ∂p REPETITION MARK TWO, and **2** REPETITION MARK THREE are used for indicating the repetition of text. They are written after the text that is to be repeated. Questions regarding the usage of repetition marks are stated in Section 6.

The **2** REPETITION MARK ONE has the glyphic variants \mathcal{Z} and \mathcal{R} (see figures 31, 32, 34). Based upon its graphical shape and function, it is likely that REPETITION MARK ONE is derived from an Indic digit '2' (compare Devanagari \mathcal{R}). A common practice in manuscript traditions of northern India is to indicate the repetition of words using digits. The digit used indicates the number of repetitions, eg. '2' for twice, '3' for thrice. As there are no attested digits for Siddham, it appears that the original link between REPETITION MARK ONE and a numeric value was forgotten and the original digit for '2' was preserved as a symbol. This explains the serialized usage of REPETITION MARK ONE in the text excerpt in figure 35 for indicating a triple reading, ie. Devanagari " $\mathbf{E} \mathcal{R} \mathcal{R}$ " instead of " $\mathbf{E} \mathcal{R}$ " for $h\bar{u}m h\bar{u}m h\bar{u}m$).

The $\partial_{\mathbf{k}}$ REPETITION MARK TWO is used in the vertical version of the $U_{S,n}\bar{i}_{Sa}$ $V_{ij}aya$ $Dh\bar{a}ran\bar{i}$ $S\bar{u}tra$ shown in figure 5. An excerpt of the $S\bar{u}tra$ with the repetition marks highlighted is shown in figure 36. Here, the mark appears after $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{k}}$ (3rd character), another ya (7th character), and \mathbf{T} ra (10th character). The mark prompts the reader to parse the text as "*jaya jaya*, *vijaya vijaya*, *smara smara*". It is possible that REPETITION MARK TWO is used only in a vertical environment. This is supported by the accompanying Japanese annotation, which glosses $\partial_{\mathbf{k}}$ using $\langle U+3031 VERTICAL KANA REPEAT MARK$.

The **Z** REPETITION MARK THREE is shown in several Siddham manuals. It is proposed for encoding because it is a graphically-distinct character.

4 Characters Not Proposed

Characters attested in Siddham sources, but that are not yet proposed for encoding are decribed below.

4.1 Digits

Siddham does not have a traditional set of digits. However, some digits that appear to be modern innovations and named as "Bonji numerals" are shown in figure 18.

4.2 Editorial Marks

Siddham manuscripts contain editorial marks, such as those used for indicating the insertion or deletion of text. The characters \cdots and \cdots are used for marking deletions (see figure 34). Another character is a caret-like insertion mark that is written below the baseline to indicate the insertion of text. These editorial marks are not unique to Siddham and are used in various Indic manuscript traditions. These characters should be represented using already-encoded characters with similar functions (see Section 6).

4.3 Pedagogical Characters

There are several pedagogical characters used for describing Siddham letters in script manuals. Some of these are discussed below. These characters may be candidates for encoding, but additional research is required regarding their usage and suitability for encoding, as per the UCS encoding model (see Section 6).

Character Strokes Siddham manuals describe elemental character strokes that are used for writing letters (see figure 64). Some of these are described below.

- 1. *myō-ten* The stroke *`* is the initial mark made when a brush is pressed upon a surface for writing any Siddham letter (see the stroke order in figures 65 and 66). It is known in Japanese as 命点 *myō-ten* "life mark". The *myō-ten* corresponds to the Chinese simple stroke *`* (點 *diǎn* "dot"), which is encoded in the UCS as *`* U+31D4 CJK STROKE D.
- 2. *a-ten* The stroke *is shown in some historical and modern Siddham handbooks as a dependent vowel sign of 我 A (see figures 19, 62, 63) or as a 'variation' of the letter (see figure 12). For this reason it is called ア点 <i>a-ten "a* mark" in Japanese. It is a horizontally elongated form of *myō-ten*. The *a-ten* is not a true 'vowel sign', but a portion of the top-stroke of each consonant letter.
- 3. gyōgatsu-ten The stroke is known in Japanese as 仰月点 gyōgatsu-ten "moon-viewing mark" and in Sanskrit as अधेचन्द्र ardhacandra "half-moon". It is the foundational stroke of the sign CAN-DRABINDU, which is produced by writing ANUSVARA with gyōgatsu-ten. The stroke is considered 荘厳 shougon (Sans. अलंकार alamkāra) "adornment" or "decoration" in that it does not change the phonological value of ANUSVARA. The use of gyōgatsu-ten is shown in figure 67, where it appears as an independent graphical element.
- 4. *Ju-ten* The stroke *J* is known as ウ点 *u-ten* "*u* mark" in Japanese. It is used for forming characters like 😵 I, JU, and JUU.
- 5. *O en-ten* The stroke *O* is known as 円点 *en-ten* "circle mark" in Japanese. It is used for forming characters like *i* ANUSVARA and *O* TTHA.

'Headless' Letters Some Japanese treatises on Siddham offer explanations about the phonological properties of Siddham consonants by using 'headless' letters, which are the regular consonants written without the top-stroke ($my\bar{o}$ -ten; Sans. $m\bar{a}tr\bar{a}$). One such work, the Shittan Bunsho (悉曇聞書) of Jiun Sonja (慈雲尊者) (1718–1804), expounds upon the alphasyllabic and alphabetic natures of Siddham consonants by using 'headless' letters. Jiun explains that removing the top-stroke of \mathbf{a} KA produces the 'headless' form \mathbf{a} in which the inherent vowel is absent: $/ka/ \rightarrow /k/$. According to this view, the inherent vowel /a/ is contained in the top-stroke and eliminating it produces an alphabetic form of a letter. Secondly, when this 'headless' ka is combined with a \bigcirc VIRAMA as \mathbf{a} , the remaining consonantal value is removed: $/k/ \rightarrow \emptyset$. In this case, the VIRAMA essentially eradicates the entire letter. A table of 'headless' letters is given by Jōgon (淨嚴) (1639–1702) in his Shittan Sanmitsushō ((千袞 三密鈔)), which is presented here in figure 61. While 'headless' forms of Siddham consonants are required for accurately representing Jiun's Shittan Bunsho, they are to be considered as glyphic variants of regular letters and are to be managed through fonts.

4.4 Bījākṣara-s

A *bījākṣara* or *bīja* "seed syllable" may be written such that the constituent characters are joined to form a highly-stylized ligature (see figures 69, 70, 71, 72). For example, the word ६८ *phat* (<६ PHA, ८ TTA, VIRAMA>) may be written as ६ *phat*. A more complex example is a *bīja* of Acala (Sans. अचल; Chi. 不動明王 Búdòng Míngwáng; Jap. Fudō Myōō), which is a ligature formed by joining $\overset{*}{\mathbf{A}} h \bar{a} m$ and $\vec{\mathbf{x}} m \bar{a} m$, the last two syllables of his *mantra*, into a monogram written as $\overset{*}{\mathbf{A}}$ or $\overset{*}{\mathbf{A}}$ or $\overset{*}{\mathbf{A}}$ h $\bar{a} m m \bar{a} m$.

These types of ligatures cannot be represented in plain text using characters proposed for encoding. They are calligraphic innovations and are to be managed through the application of font features or text attributes.

5 Character Data

5.1 Collation

The primary collating order for Siddham is as follows:

The following signs have secondary weights: Č CANDRABINDU, Ċ ANUSVARA, C VISARGA, O NUKTA.

5.2 Character Properties

Character properties given in the data format of UnicodeData.txt:

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11580;SIDDHAM LETTER A;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;;
11581; SIDDHAM LETTER AA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11582;SIDDHAM LETTER I;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;;
11583; SIDDHAM LETTER II; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11584; SIDDHAM LETTER U; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11585;SIDDHAM LETTER UU;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;
11586;SIDDHAM LETTER E;Lo;O;L;;;;;N;;;;;
11587;SIDDHAM LETTER AI;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;
11588;SIDDHAM LETTER 0;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;;
11589;SIDDHAM LETTER AU;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;
1158A; SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC R; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1158B; SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC RR; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1158C;SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC L;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;;
1158D;SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC LL;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;;
1158E; SIDDHAM LETTER KA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
1158F; SIDDHAM LETTER KHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11590;SIDDHAM LETTER GA;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;
11591; SIDDHAM LETTER GHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11592;SIDDHAM LETTER NGA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;;
11593; SIDDHAM LETTER CA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;
11594;SIDDHAM LETTER CHA;Lo;O;L;;;;N;;;;
11595;SIDDHAM LETTER JA;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;;
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11596; SIDDHAM LETTER JHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 11597; SIDDHAM LETTER NYA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 11598; SIDDHAM LETTER TTA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 11599; SIDDHAM LETTER TTHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 1159A; SIDDHAM LETTER DDA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 1159B;SIDDHAM LETTER DDHA;Lo;O;L;;;;;N;;;; 1159C; SIDDHAM LETTER NNA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 1159D; SIDDHAM LETTER TA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 1159E; SIDDHAM LETTER THA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 1159F;SIDDHAM LETTER DA;Lo;0;L;;;;;N;;;; 115A0; SIDDHAM LETTER DHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115A1;SIDDHAM LETTER NA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115A2;SIDDHAM LETTER PA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115A3; SIDDHAM LETTER PHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115A4; SIDDHAM LETTER BA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115A5; SIDDHAM LETTER BHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115A6; SIDDHAM LETTER MA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115A7;SIDDHAM LETTER YA;Lo;O;L;;;;;N;;;; 115A8;SIDDHAM LETTER RA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115A9;SIDDHAM LETTER LA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115AA; SIDDHAM LETTER VA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115AB; SIDDHAM LETTER SHA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115AC;SIDDHAM LETTER SSA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115AD; SIDDHAM LETTER SA; Lo; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115AE;SIDDHAM LETTER HA;Lo;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115AF;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AA;Mc;0;L;;;;;N;;;; 115B0;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN I;Mc;0;L;;;;;N;;;;; 115B1;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN II;Mc;0;L;;;;;N;;;; 115B2;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN U;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115B3;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN UU;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115B4; SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN E; Mc; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115B5;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AI;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;;; 115B6;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN 0;Mc;0;L;115B4 115AF;;;;N;;;;; 115B7;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AU;Mc;0;L;115B5 115AF;;;;N;;;;; 115B8;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115B9;SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;;; 115BA; <reserved> 115BB; <reserved> 115BC;SIDDHAM SIGN VIRAMA;Mn;9;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115BD;SIDDHAM SIGN CANDRABINDU;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115BE;SIDDHAM SIGN ANUSVARA;Mn;0;NSM;;;;;N;;;; 115BF;SIDDHAM SIGN VISARGA;Mc;0;L;;;;;N;;;; 115C0; SIDDHAM SIGN NUKTA; Mn; 7; NSM; ;; ;; N; ;; ;; 115C1; SIDDHAM SIGN SIDDHAM; So; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 115C2;SIDDHAM DANDA;Po;0;L;;;;;N;;;;; 115C3;SIDDHAM DOUBLE DANDA;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115C4;SIDDHAM WORD SEPARATOR ONE;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115C5; SIDDHAM WORD SEPARATOR TWO; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115C6;SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK ONE;Po;0;L;;;;;N;;;;; 115C7; SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK TWO; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115C8; SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK THREE; Po; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 115C9;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK ONE;Po;0;L;;;;;N;;;;; 115CA; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TWO; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115CB; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK THREE; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115CC; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FOUR; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115CD; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FIVE; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115CE; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK SIX; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115CF; SIDDHAM SECTION MARK SEVEN; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;; 115D0;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK EIGHT; Po;0;L;;;;;N;;;;; 115D1;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK NINE;Po;O;L;;;;;N;;;; 115D2;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TEN; Po; 0; L;;;;; N;;;;;

115D3;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK ELEVEN;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115D4;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TWELVE;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115D5;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK THIRTEEN;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;; 115D6;SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FOURTEEN;Po;0;L;;;;N;;;;

5.3 Linebreaking

Linebreaking properties given in the format of LineBreak.txt:

11580..115AE; AL # LETTER A .. LETTER HA 115AF..115BF; CM # SIGN AA .. SIGN VISARGA 115C0; BB # SIGN SIDDHAM 115C1..115C4; BA # DANDA .. WORD SEPARATOR TWO 115C5..115C7; AL # REPETITION MARK ONE .. REPETITION MARK THREE 115C8..115D5; BA # SECTION MARK ONE .. SECTION MARK FOURTEEN

5.4 Syllabic Categories

Syllabic categories given in the format of IndicSyllabicCategory.txt:

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# Indic Syllabic Category=Bindu
115BD..115BE ; Bindu
                           # Mn [2] SIGN CANDRABINDU .. SIGN ANUSVARA
# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Visarga
                     # Mc
                                  SIGN VISARGA
115bf
          ; Visarga
# Indic Syllabic Category=Virama
       ; Virama # Mn
115BC
                                    SIGN VIRAMA
# Indic_Syllabic_Category=Nukta
115C0
       ; Nukta # Mn SIGN NUKTA
# Indic Syllabic_Category=Vowel_Independent
11580..1158D ; Vowel Independent # Lo [14] LETTER A .. LETTER VOCALIC LL
# Indic Syllabic Category=Vowel Dependent
115AF..115B1 ; Vowel Dependent # Mc [3] VOWEL SIGN AA .. VOWEL SIGN II
115B2..115B3 ; Vowel_Dependent # Mn [2] VOWEL SIGN U .. VOWEL SIGN UU
115B4; Vowel_Dependent # McVOWEL SIGN E115B5; Vowel_Dependent # MnVOWEL SIGN AI
115B6..115B8 ; Vowel_Dependent # Mc [2] VOWEL SIGN O .. VOWEL SIGN AU
11587..11589 ; Vowel Dependent # Mn [2] VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R .. VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR
# Indic Syllabic Category=Consonant
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5.5 Matra Categories

Matra categories given in the format of IndicMatraCategory.txt:

Indic_Matra_Category=Right
115AF ; Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN AA
115B1 ; Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN II
Indic_Matra_Category=Left
115B0 ; Left # Mc VOWEL SIGN I
115B4 ; Left # Mc VOWEL SIGN E

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# Indic_Matra_Category=Left_And_Right
115B6 ; Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN 0
# Indic_Matra_Category=Top
115B5 ; Top # Mn VOWEL SIGN AI
# Indic_Matra_Category=Top_And_Left_And_Right
115B7 ; Top_And_Left_And_Right # Mc VOWEL SIGN AU
# Indic_Matra_Category=Bottom
115B2..115B3 ; Bottom # Mn [2] VOWEL SIGN U .. VOWEL SIGN UU
115B8..115B9 ; Bottom # Mn [2] VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R .. VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR
115BC ; Bottom # Mn SIGN VIRAMA
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6 Questions

Below are some questions regarding the encoding of additional Siddham characters:

1. *Named character sequences* The glyphs *kṣa* and **ġ** *llaṃ* are conjuncts that have symbolic significance in various Siddham traditions. Should named character sequences be defined for these glyphs, as was done for BENGALI LETTER KHINYA, which corresponds to *kṣa* in Siddham and other Indic scripts? The sequences may be defined as follows:

SIDDHAM LETTER KSHA;1158E 115BC 115AB SIDDHAM LETTER LLAM;115A9 115BC 115A9 115BC

- 2. *Digits* There is no traditional set of Siddham digits. However, figure 18 shows "Bonji numerals" that are similar to Devanagari digits. Are these "numerals" modern innovations? Should they be encoded?
- 3. Il and II:Il These punctuation marks are used in the palm-leaf manuscript of the *Prajñāpāramitā Hrdaya Sūtra* from the Hōryū-ji temple. Are they distinct characters? The glyph II appears to be a glyphic variant of A DOUBLE DANDA; is it? The glyph II:II may be analyzed as two DOUBLE DANDA characters surrounding a : VISARGA; is it?
- 4. Avagraha Devanagari versions of the Prajñāpāramitā Hṛdaya Sūtra and other texts show the use of 5 U+093D DEVANAGARI SIGN AVAGRAHA. The avagraha is used for marking the elision of word-initial अ a in Sanskrit as a result of sandhi when the preceding word ends with the vowels ए e or ओ o, eg. suddho 'ham is written in Devanagari as शुद्धो ऽहम् (from शुद्ध: suddhaḥ + अहम् aham). Is this character attested in any Siddham manuscripts of these texts?
- 5. Repetition marks Additional research is required in order to determine if the three repetition marks have distinctive functions or if their usage is specific to certain environments or certain regional Siddham traditions. For instance, 2 REPETITION MARK ONE appears in Chinese sources, which are presented as left-to-right text, while repetition marks restricted to certain regional traditions? Also, are there texts that show the use of 2 REPETITION MARK THREE? Is there any information about this character?
- 6. Section marks In addition to the section marks that are proposed for encoding, there may be other similar characters attested in Siddham records. If such characters are found, should they be encoded separately or unified with proposed section marks that are graphically similar? Also, there are different forms of $\frac{1}{2}$ SECTION MARK EIGHT with varying numbers of arcs, eg. the three-arc $\frac{1}{2}$ and the seven-arc

 $\frac{1}{2}$ forms in figure 33; the four-arc form $\frac{1}{2}$ in figure 34. These are all encoded as separate characters. Should additional forms with variation of ±1 arcs be treated as distinct characters, if attested?

- 7. :II: SECTION MARK TWELVE This mark is presently classified as a 'section mark'. However, it is less 'ornamental' in its graphical structure than other section marks. Is it functionally distinct from the 'ornamental' section marks? Should it be classified as a punctuation mark instead of as a section mark? Is it related to the **1**:**1** character described in item #3 above?
- 8. *Pedagogical characters* The pedagogical characters described in Section 4.3 are used in Siddham manuals and are required by users who produce such materials. There is a precedent in the UCS for encoding character strokes and other such pedagogical characters, eg. the CJK radicals and the characters of the 'CJK Strokes' block (U+31C0..U+31EF).
- 9. J Figure 13 (row 11) shows the below-base character J listed along with CANDRABINDU and ANUSVARA. What is this character? Is this the *gyōgatsu-ten*?
- 10. ŏ Michael Everson's chart for Siddham shows a character ŏ named "SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN CAN-DRA". It is not a vowel sign, but the pedagogical character *gyōgatsu-ten* described in Section 4.3. If the *gyōgatsu-ten* is to be encoded, should it be defined as a combining sign?

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F	1158E	1159E	115AE	115BE	115CE		

Figure 1: Proposed code chart for Siddham.

Independent vowels

11580	я	SIDDHAM LETTER A
11581	R	SIDDHAM LETTER AA
11582	છુ	SIDDHAM LETTER I
11583	ີ່	SIDDHAM LETTER II
11584	3	SIDDHAM LETTER U
11585	5	SIDDHAM LETTER UU
11586	7	SIDDHAM LETTER E
11587	র্শ	SIDDHAM LETTER AI
11588	ত	SIDDHAM LETTER O
11589	স	SIDDHAM LETTER AU

Additional independent vowels

1158A	₹	SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC R
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- 1158B 😴 SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC RR
- 1158C γ SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC L
- 1158D **?** SIDDHAM LETTER VOCALIC LL

Consonants

1158E **5** SIDDHAM LETTER KA **A** SIDDHAM LETTER KHA 1158F 11590 . T SIDDHAM LETTER GA 11591 ર્યા SIDDHAM LETTER GHA 11592 ズ SIDDHAM LETTER NGA 11593 **T** SIDDHAM LETTER CA 11594 & SIDDHAM LETTER CHA 11595 🔿 SIDDHAM LETTER JA 11596 🖡 SIDDHAM LETTER JHA 11597 SIDDHAM LETTER NYA F 11598 C SIDDHAM LETTER TTA 11599 O SIDDHAM LETTER TTHA 1159A 🕇 SIDDHAM LETTER DDA 1159B 🕏 SIDDHAM LETTER DDHA 1159C n SIDDHAM LETTER NNA 1159D SIDDHAM LETTER TA T 1159E ণ SIDDHAM LETTER THA Ę 1159F SIDDHAM LETTER DA 115A0 **d** SIDDHAM LETTER DHA 115A1 **4** SIDDHAM LETTER NA 115A2 પં SIDDHAM LETTER PA 115A3 🐔 SIDDHAM LETTER PHA 115A4 **a** SIDDHAM LETTER BA 115A5 **र्द** SIDDHAM LETTER BHA 115A6 I SIDDHAM LETTER MA 115A7 LETTER YA 115A8 **T** SIDDHAM LETTER RA 115A9 **a** SIDDHAM LETTER LA 115AA **र** SIDDHAM LETTER VA 115AB & SIDDHAM LETTER SHA 115AC **4** SIDDHAM LETTER SSA 115AD # SIDDHAM LETTER SA 115AE 🐔 SIDDHAM LETTER HA

Dependent vowel signs

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115AF	ા	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AA
115B0	(SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN I
115B1	ી	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN II
115B2	्र	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN U
115B3	Ĩ,	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN UU
115B4	്	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN E
115B5	ි	SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AI

- 115B6 ° SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN A
- 115B7 ° SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN AU

Additional vowel signs

- 115B8 9 SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC R
- 115B9 2 SIDDHAM VOWEL SIGN VOCALIC RR

115BA Served> 115BB cereserved> <reserved>

Virama

115BC SIDDHAM SIGN VIRAMA

Various signs

- 115BD 🍐 SIDDHAM SIGN CANDRABINDU
- 115BE ் SIDDHAM SIGN ANUSVARA
- 115BF : SIDDHAM SIGN VISARGA
- 115C0 ़ SIDDHAM SIGN NUKTA

Invocation

- 115C1 🔊 SIDDHAM SIGN SIDDHAM
 - = siddhirastu
 - used at the beginning of texts

Punctuation

- 115C2 × SIDDHAM DANDA
- 115C3 식 SIDDHAM DOUBLE DANDA
- 115C4 SIDDHAM WORD SEPARATOR ONE
- 115C5 | SIDDHAM WORD SEPARATOR TWO

Repetition signs

- 115C6 2 SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK ONE
- 115C7 & SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK TWO
- 115C8 2 SIDDHAM REPETITION MARK THREE

Section marks

These characters are used for indicating the end of text

- 115C9 💥 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK ONE
- 115CA 💥 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TWO
- 115CB 💥 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK THREE
- 115CC 🕸 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FOUR
- 115CD 💥 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FIVE
- 115CE ◎ SIDDHAM SECTION MARK SIX
- 115CF 🕱 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK SEVEN
- 115D0 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK EIGHT
- 115D1 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK NINE
- 115D2 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TEN
- 115D3 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK ELEVEN
- 115D4 :II: SIDDHAM SECTION MARK TWELVE
- 115D5 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK THIRTEEN 115D6 SIDDHAM SECTION MARK FOURTEEN

Figure 2: Proposed names list for Siddham.

	Siddham	Sharada	Nagari		Siddham	Sharada	Nagari
A	я	শ	अ	-A	_	_	—
AA	疣	भु	आ	-AA	া	ਾ	ा
Ι	60	61	इ	-I	()	ि	ि
II	٥٥ ٦	ï	र्द	-II	ી	ी	ी
U	S	હ	उ	-U	્ર	্ব	ु
UU	Ľ,	উ	ऊ	-UU	৾	្ន	ू
Е	タ	р	ए	-E	ি	ੋ	े
AI	শ্ব	可	ऐ	-AI	ి	ី	்
0	ও	រា	ओ	-0	ে	ో	ो
AU	স	দ্য	औ	-AU	ি	ੇਂ	ौ
R	Ŧ	τ	ক্ষ	-R	ু	੍ਹ	ੂ
RR	¥	ሮ	ॠ	-RR	್ಗ	୍ତ୍ର	ୁ
L	٩	ঙা	ऌ	-L	—	ૣ	ૢ
LL	ſ	হে	ॡ	-LL		ૣ	ૣ

Table 1: Comparison of vowel letters and signs of Siddham, Sharada, and Devanagari.

	Siddham	Sharada	Nagari		Siddham	Sharada	Nagari
KA	K	ቅ	क	DA	ব্	J	द
KHA	নব্	प	ख	DHA	٩	σ	ध
GA	ग्	ग	ग	NA	r	Ŧ	न
GHA	च(Ч	घ	РА	म्(ч	प
NGA	T	マ	ङ	PHA	Ę,	ठ	দ
CA	শ	ц	च	BA	đ	3	ब
СНА	æ	æ	छ	BHA	ন্	5	भ
JA	T	tr.	ज	MA	ম	ਮ	म
JHA	Ł	ά	झ	YA	य्	ਬ	य
NYA	Ł	দ	স	RA	ĩ	1	र
TTA	Ċ	C	ਟ	LA	ধ্	ল	ल
TTHA	٥	0	ਠ	VA	٩	ব	व
DDA	ব	रु	ड	SHA	R	म	श
DDHA	Б	4	ढ	SSA	ષ	ਖ	ष
NNA	M	~	ण	SA	F (મ	स
TA	ሻ	3	त	HA	k	S	रु
THA	લ્	ਬ	थ				

Table 2: Comparison of consonant letters of Siddham, Sharada, and Devanagari.

アーンク	大日如来(胎藏界)
薬 「「 如 イ 来	カ 不動明王 シ 王
観 世 音 サ 菩 薩	来 が 来
勢 至 苦 薩	マ 来 達 で 来 诺 花
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Figure 3: Seed-syllables for the thirteen Buddhas (from Tokuzan 1974: 27).

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Figure 4: The *Uṣṇīṣa Vijaya Dhāraņī Sūtra*, known in Japanese as 佛頂尊勝陀羅尼 *Buccho Sonsho Darani Kyo* (Source: http://dharanipitaka.net/2008/download/). A version with vertical text is given in figure 5.

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^cigure 5: The Ușnīșa Vijaya Dhāraņī Sūtra written top-to-bottom, right-to-left (from Kodama 2005: 122–124)

Figure 6: A manuscript containing the *Prajñāpāramitā Hṛdaya Sūtra* (from Müller and Nanjio 1884: Plate II). This manuscript was brought from Ξ भाषमार ।। । । यह कार्या रह्य प्रय EDITED BY F. MAX MÜLLER. PART F उसंयस्यविस्य मेर भव ग मया मा सामितित वृश्व १ व वटावि वा व य य वहा रज्यातियदन्यु संवयुत्र्य्यक्षेत्रं त्रंगं स्वत्व वन्यत्र भिष 20 UN R3, BBRED 7 K Direk Ę m VOL X K= मुझ वहा छानांपरि मयाउ वर्डानायम द जाबतुन्दिष्ठ नावि इनविर्दाह्य नाहि हुद्या या वच् स्पाय रखेल स्या रणक्यानह. खन्म यह स्वेन्द्रा य प्रान्हे नेन प्रि हे कारिमहुरी प SERIES, · Cre ANECDOTA OXONIENSIA, ARYAN SERIES. BUDDHIST TEXTS FROM वित्राभान्ष्री रहे महत् दृष्ट्रः पुरु भर्यमे मेमा हे ये दे राम थ *.) *.) मपमद ेर समा धुद्या का र दे छन् मुड्र मयान ए बस्पेयक् प में ख्रि माराख्य में नह्य C ्यमं हर शेख उन तक फ्रां अह रावां योने के स्रात्म के संस्था भी महातिमा पंत्र मुझ स नव אשש בי שירא אשא ASHARA 610. ע בה שאו षा र म व न 46. विड्रतिनयक्षय भारताई द्वती संयंगदी न संयंत्रव राद F THE BODLEIAN LIBRARY ; No. ТНЕ 2 दरादरमे या से मारिएक वयालव या प्रति भुदु उभिषेत्र य भुद्र मदम भि मं महि न महन China to Japan in 609 and was stored at the Hōryū-ji (法隆寺) temple in Ikaruga, Nara Prefecture. टि' परि युद्धि, te HORIUZI, FROM 513 1 न्य सह य आ रते कि तहर वार्षमंत्री गर्म रंग्रे भ रंग मं ये व रंग द र पा मं ही भावतायर बढ्र इ.म. र'01हल री मान उसव मींग परि सेडु स ग मामि भी नाविधि न भी द r मयाय मंग्र : 73/व युव उ जिन्यदा समसमय का बसम ЧÖ JAPANESE BOOKS & MSS. IN TWO PALM-LEAVES मयम्बर्डावर्ड्सात रखादि का वर्ण गरिम मंदर देखे पर् आहर्मा दि सुद्र म य या मिणन न मि माने न डिनवेप्रदेशमाम् स्ताना य श्वस्य मेत सन्तर भेर सम यम् अ स्र मेवस्र धि તિયા - જ્યારે પા સપેસ છે માં કે તે વ ર છે ર પા સ પ શ F ष रूपरी त्र वरल्थेन भयम यन् पति मुद्र स THE **ेउ उर्म्यू भः** CATAL. OF 95 यसयतः मह्याधिषु ह \bigcirc SEE FACSIMILE F P टार हपरवर मा से सनमे से राज य इ.स. व.स. नम्झ्रम सार्र हा महि ७ दस्ति मार वर्ष में यह F 010414000 F Altry 2 य देखें म A A व राजाविसु भि इस्र स्टेड भूषिपि महा के विचल टाम 몃 - योगुल AUTOTYPE, LONDON ģ (F 9

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Figure 7: Folio fragments from a Siddham manuscript written by Prajñātāra (Sans. प्रजातार; Chi. 般若多羅 Bōrě Duōluó) in the 9th century (from Lokesh Chandra 1965: fascicle 1, section 7). The folios are facsimiles traced by the Japanese monk Sōgen (宗源) and published using wooden-block printing in his *Ashara-jō* (1837).



Figure 8: Siddham inscriptions (from Nakamura 1977: Plate 21)

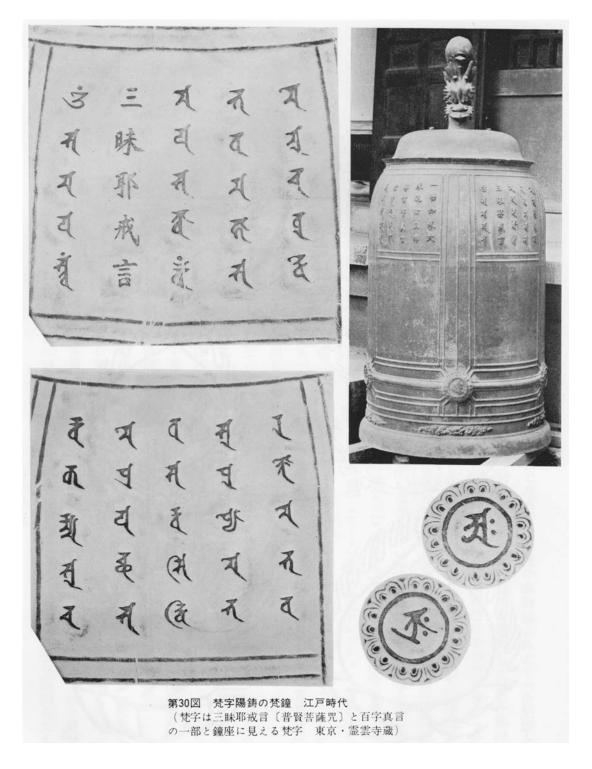


Figure 9: Siddham inscriptions (from Nakamura 1977: Plate 30)

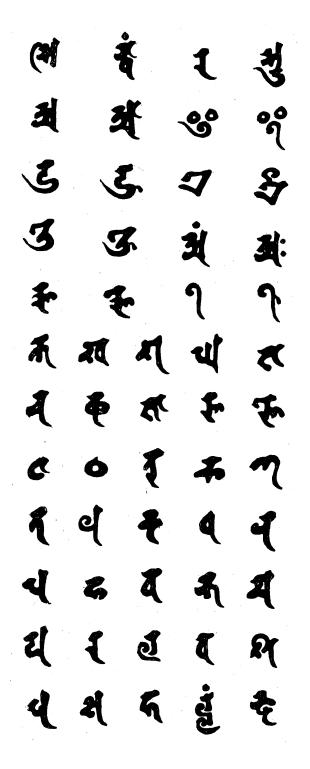


Figure 10: The Siddham varnapātha written by Kūkai (from van Gulik 1980: Plate XI)

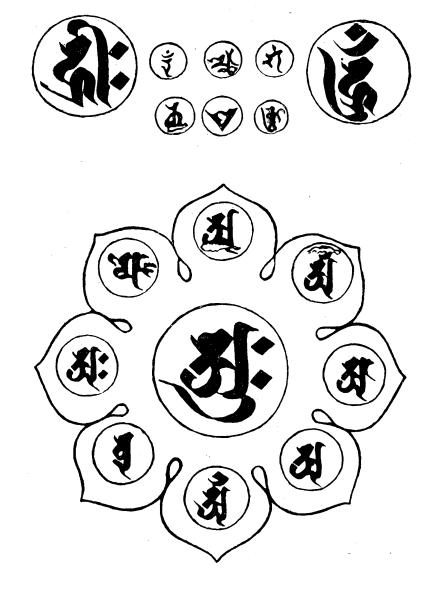


Figure 11: A mandala inscribed by Saichō (from van Gulik 1980: Plate X)

VOWELS	(MĀTĀ)
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	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanāgarī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
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9	જ	3	27	મ્પ) ૧ -၇	f	ग्र्मे	0	ogha flood
10	S.	z	-34	あら	ŝ	ग्र्पौ	au	aupapāduka self-produced

Figure 12: Description of Siddham letters and dependent signs for the vowels A .. AU (from Stevens 1981: 34).

	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanāgarī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
11	સં	赵	乳	Ă	,	ज़्पं	am	anta limit
12	স্থা	র্য়	FL»		•	ग्र्पः	a ḥ	astamgama setting

EXTRA VOWELS

13	Ħ	Ŧ	1 - 0 - 2 - 4 - 4 - 5 - 3 - 4	Ŧ	2	मृ	ŗ	ŗddhi supernatural power
14	Ł	Ħ	1-1-2-5 4-1-5 3-0	¥	Ę	ॠ	ŗ	analogy
15	J	J	΄,			रु	ļ	dye
16	ſ	ſ	م م			ॡ	Ī	submerge

CONSONANTS (VYAÑJANA)

17	ð	đ	Ä	ҝ	木	न	ka	karma action
18	ম	দৰ্			ন্যব্	रब	kha	kha sky

Figure 13: Description of Siddham signs ANUSVARA and VISARGA, the vocalic letters, and the consonants KA, KHA (from Stevens 1981: 35).

	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanāgarī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
19	গ্	ন্			গ্	ग	ga	gati going
20	ष्	ય	۲.t (ચ્	घ	gha	ghana dense
21	~	र	1-3-3-4 3-5-1		~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	ङ	'na	anga part
22	ব	ব্	1-3, 2 3-3 (A A	च	ca	cyuti transition
23	æ	æ		æ	₩. 4	ন্থ	cha	chāyā shadow
24	×	K	1-2-2-5 2-2-5 2-5-5	Ķ	Å.Å	ज	ja	jāti birth
25	F	Ţr	34		Ť.	স	jha	jhaşabala warring enemies
26	£	Ł	57-9 ² - 19 3 3 3 3	3	لي	ञ	ña	jñāna knowledge
27	C	Č	<u> </u>	C	Ċ	र	ţa	țańka pride
28	٥	0	\mathcal{C}		ò	ত	ţha	vițhapana flourish

Figure 14: Description of Siddham consonants GA .. TTHA (from Stevens 1981: 36).

	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanâgarī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
29	3	হ	in the second se	5	たいか	ব	ḍ a	ḍamara tumult
30	Ъ	8	12	62	占	ন্ত	ḍha	mīḍha disappear
31	ar	(dr		M	ait	गा	ņa	raņa battle
32	7	7	7	7	たう	ਰ	ta	tathātā suchness
33	8	8	ġ.	વ	ġ	य	tha	sthāna dwelling
34	K	Ę	1-9/2 3-9/2		K . A	द	da	dāna generosity
35	٩	٩	$\zeta' \zeta''$		ġ	ঘ	dha	dharmadhātu dharma realm
36	ব্	3	173°	4	४ प	न	na	nāman name
37	प्	ष	'-Z^2 (³		<u>ર</u> પં	प	ра	paramārtha ultimate meaning
38	6	S	6		Ś		pha	phena foam

Figure 15: Description of Siddham consonants DDA .. PHA (from Stevens 1981: 37).

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	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanāgarī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
39	đ	ব	"Å		đ a	ৰ	ba	bandhana binding
40	A	Ą	i JC.	R	たう	ਮ	bha	bhava existence
41	শ্	শ্	1-0-2 3		지	म	ma	mama my
42	य्	ય	/ -9,2		ट ! र्थ	य	ya	yāna vehicle
43	I	Į	1-9/2		Ľ.	र	ra	rajas passion
44	Z	1	1-9,2 (3)		<u>ب</u> ۲	ਲ	la	lakşana mark
45	đ	ব্	7		D	व	va	vác speech
46	શ્	গ		ક્ત	સ્	হা	s'a	ŝānti peace
47	ଷ୍	લ્			ଅ ସ୍	ষ	şa	şadāyatana six senses
48	Ħ	শ্		71	म्	म	sa	satya truth

Figure 16: Description of Siddham consonants BA .. SA (from Stevens 1981: 38).

	formal	brush	stroke order	variations	in combination	Devanāgatī	roman letter	esoteric meaning
49	あ	5	3		15:-5	ह	ha	hetu cause

SPECIAL COMBINATIONS

50	ידע	. 757			ल्ल	llaṃ	
51	ষ্	Ŧ	3.05	दि -दि	क्ष	kṣa	kşaya destruction

Figure 17: Description of Siddham consonant letter HA and the conjuncts *kşa* and *llam* (from Stevens 1981: 39).

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Figure 18: A set of 'Bonji' digits (Source: http://www.mandalar.com/DisplayJ/Bonji/ index6_E.html). These closely resemble Devanagari forms.

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Figure 19: Chart of Siddham (from Kodama 1991: 65–66). Note the variant form of of vower sign vocalic RR.

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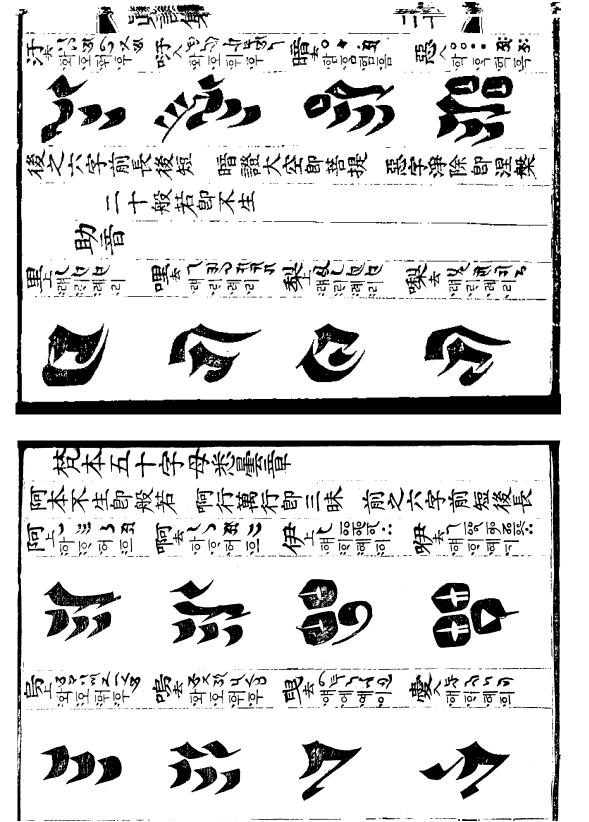


Figure 21: Siddham letters used in Korea (from Lim 2005). Courtesy of Lee Collins.



Figure 22: Siddham letters used in Korea (from Lim 2005). Courtesy of Lee Collins.



Figure 23: Siddham letters used in Korea (from Lim 2005). Courtesy of Lee Collins.

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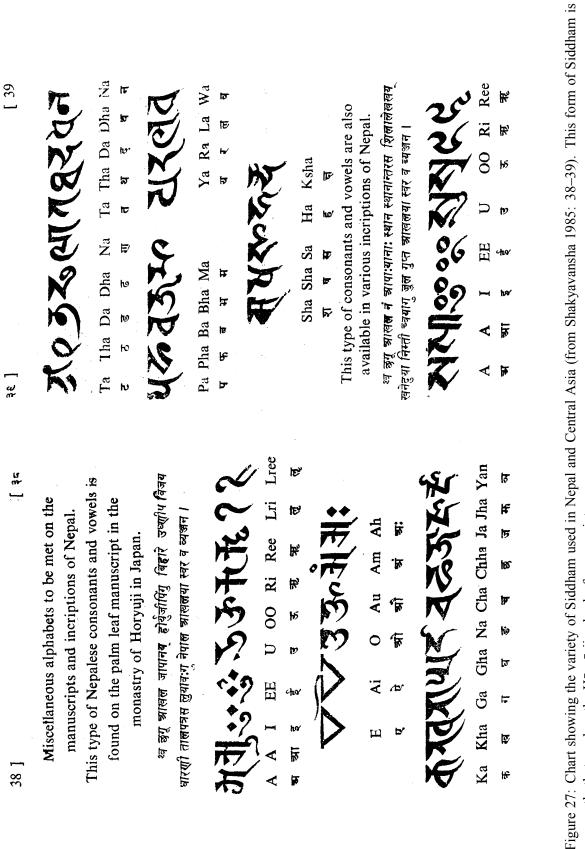
Figure 24: Siddham letters used in Korea (from Lim 2005). Courtesy of Lee Collins.



Figure 25: Siddham used in a Korean version of the *Nīlakantha Dhāranī* (नीलकण्ठ धारनी; Chi. 大悲咒 *Dàbēi Zhòu*) of Avalokiteśvara (from Lokesh Chandra 1988: 164).

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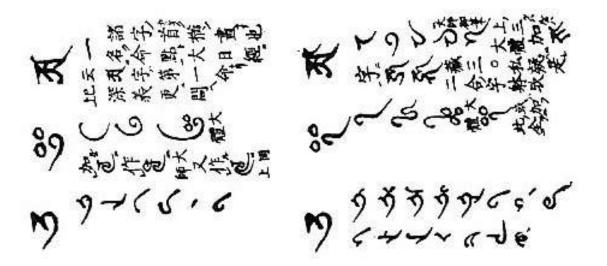
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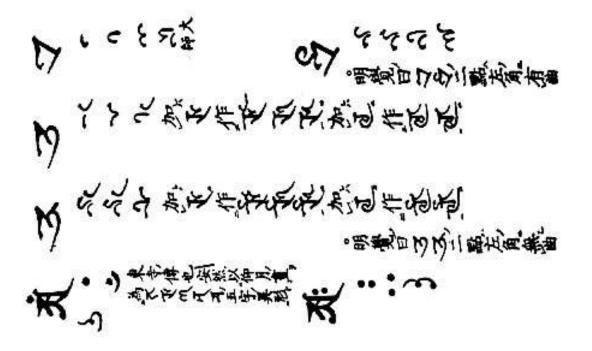


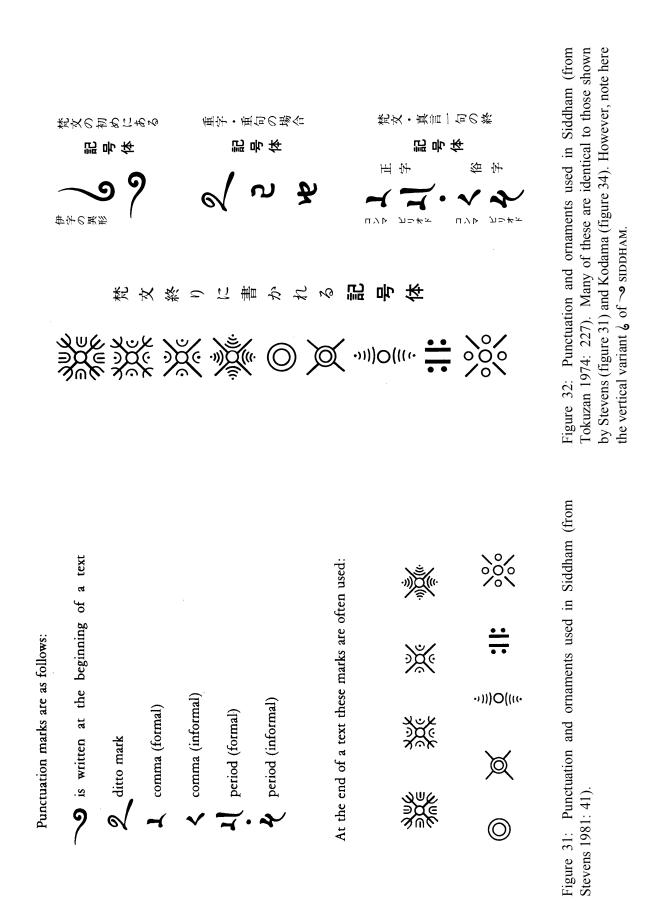
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Figure 28: Comparison of Siddham, Tibetan, Ranjana, and Chinese scripts (Source: http://www.siddham-sanskrit.com/s-sanskrit2/ learn-siddham/sid-ran-tib-han.GIF).







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Figure 33: Description of an invocation sign, punctuation marks, section marks, a variant form of VIRAMA, a deletion mark, and repetition marks in the *Shittan Sanmitsushō* (from Jōgon 1682: 724). Note the separate listings for $\frac{1}{2}$ SECTION MARK EIGHT and $\frac{1}{2}$ SECTION MARK ELEVEN.

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Figure 34: Punctuation and ornaments used in Siddham (from Kodama 1991: 222). Column (1) forms of VIRAMA; (2) the SIDDHAM sign; (3) the 'informal' DANDA; (4) the 'informal' DOUBLE DANDA; (5) the three repetition marks; (6) deletion marks; (7) ornaments used at the end of a text section; (8) a sign used at the end of text.

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Figure 35: Chinese Siddham showing usage of 2 REPETITION MARK ONE (source unknown). Note the serialized use of 2 after the syllable $h\bar{u}m$, which indicates that the word is to be read thrice.

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Figure 36: Excerpt from the *Uṣṇīṣa Vijaya Dhāraṇī Sūtra* in figure 5 showing usage of *k* REPETI-TION MARK TWO in vertical text (from Kodama 2005: 123)).

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Figure 37: Use of • WORD SEPARATOR ONE (from Lokesh Chandra 1965: fascicle 1, section 12). Note also the use of the invocation sign → SIDDHAM at the beginning of the text.

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Figure 38: Use of a middle dot as a word separator (from Lokesh Chandra 1972: 410). Note also the use of :II: SECTION MARK TWELVE and SECTION MARK THIRTEEN.

Figure 39: Text showing use of A DANDA, A DOUBLE DANDA, and I WORD SEPARATOR TWO (from Lokesh Chandra 1972: 15). Note the writing of DANDA and DOUBLE DANDA beneath WORD SEPARATOR TWO.

Figure 40: Text showing use of 1 WORD SEPARATOR TWO, 1 DANDA, and 1 DOUBLE DANDA (from Lokesh Chandra 1972: 33). Here WORD SEPARATOR TWO is written independently.

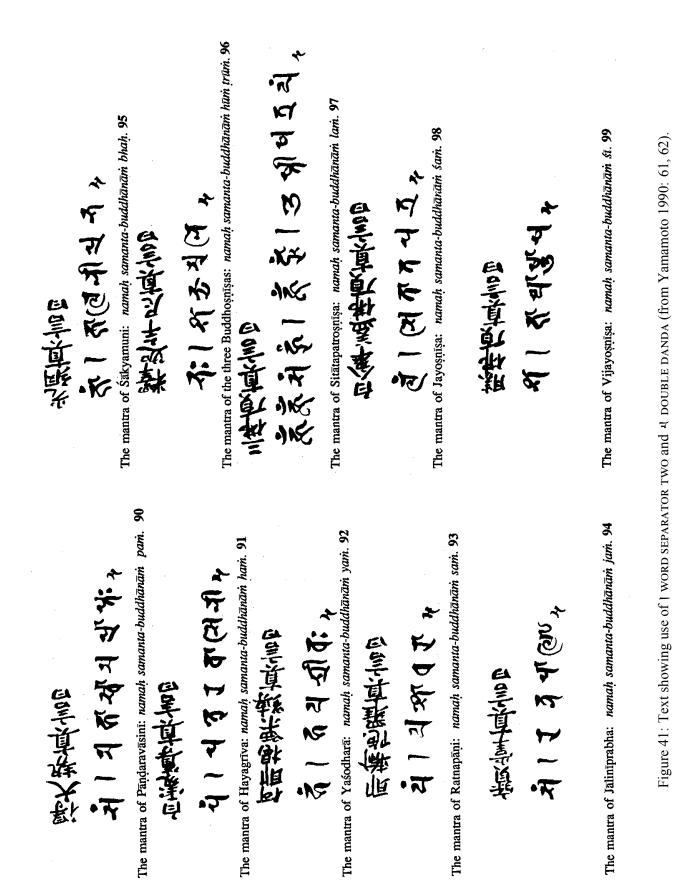




Figure 42: Chart showing the use of ONUKTA for writing sounds not natively represented by traditional Siddham letters (Source: http://www.mandalar.com/DisplayJ/Bonji/index2.html).



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Figure 43: Text showing the use of ONUKTA with 豕 JA in order to represent /z/ in the Siddham for the Japanese word 刺青 *irezumi* "tattoo" (Source: http://www.mandalar.com/BonjiDigitalDictionarySAMPLE/member/_Tattoo/00Tattoo.html).

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Figure 44: Grid showing traditional Siddham character set (adapted from Stevens 1981: 40–41). This appears to be based upon the analysis of Siddham conjuncts by Zhì-guǎng (see Section 3.8).

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Figure 46: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIb).

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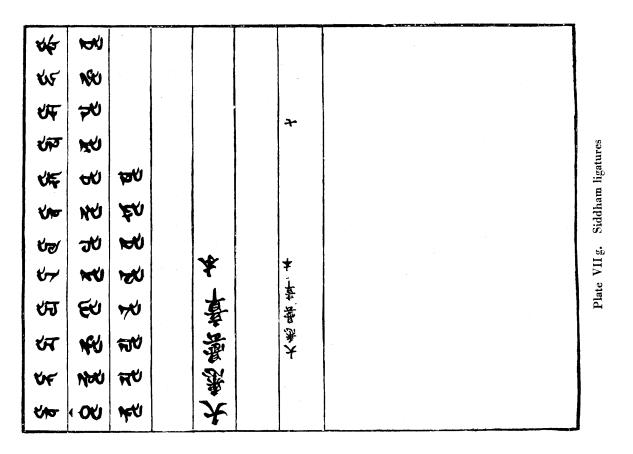


Figure 52: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIh).

Figure 51: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIg).

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Figure 53: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIi).

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Figure 54: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIj).

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Plate VII n. Siddham ligatures

Figure 58: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIn).

Figure 57: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIm).

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Figure 60: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIp)

Figure 59: Siddham ligatures (from van Gulik 1980: Plate VIIo).

Figure 61: Chart showing 'headless' consonants combined with VIRAMA (from Jōgon 1682: 779). These are pedagogical forms of regular consonants letters (see Section 4.3).

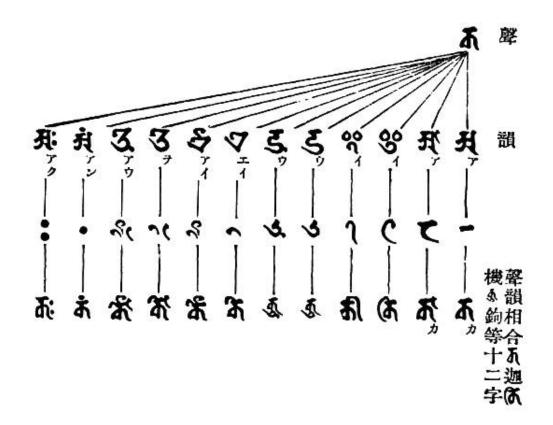


Figure 62: Chart showing Siddham dependent vowel signs and their combinations with $\mathfrak{F}_{\mathsf{KA}}$ (from Shinpan: 644). Note the presence of the vowel sign $\overline{}$ for $\mathfrak{F}_{\mathsf{K}}$ A, which is derived from the top-stroke of the letter KA. See Section 4.3 for more details.

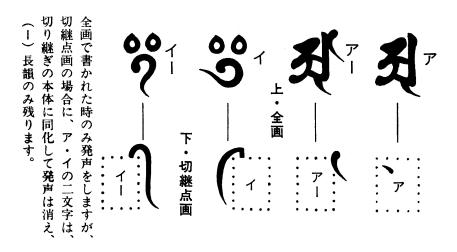


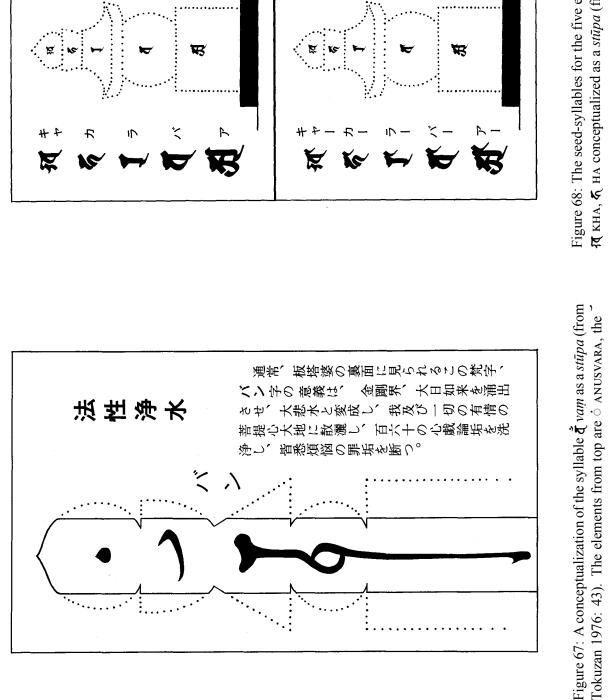
Figure 63: The $my\bar{o}$ -ten shown as the dependent form of \Re vowel letter A (from Tokuzan 1974: 226).

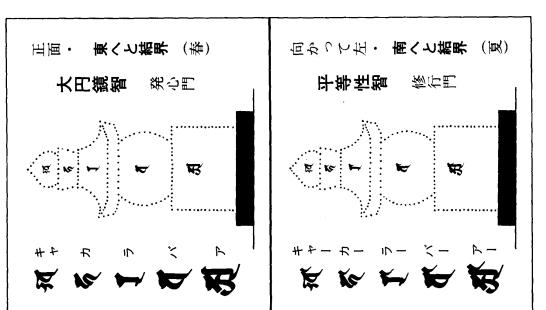
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はゆったり丸みをつける。終りは上げない。(39頁 字は終りを上げて竪画に続ける。) 半月形 弧線の半月形では腹がせまく、従って字が細長くなりすぎるので、初めの三分の一ば斜直線、後の三分の二	第二筆は補う程度にする。)黒点にするには第一筆を筆を倒して肉太に書き、第二筆で補えばよい。をおろし、左側と同形になるように右へまわして終りを合せる。(早書の場合は、第一筆を長く右わきまで引いておき、がよい。)おろした筆を左へ押し上げるくらいにして大きく続り、右へまわす。第二筆は第一筆の始点に重ねて軽く筆門点 空点、涅槃点、また〇字。 宝珠形と伝えているが、それにとらわれると細長い形となる。(むしろ少し平たい方	して引き返す。(早書ならば切れたままでよい。)斜上へはねずにダラリと下へさげるのはいけない。 (×下へ引き、丸みをつけて左へまわし、斜上へはねる。このとき筆が切れたら、筆の終るところまで筆を運び軽くおと 雲形点 ウ点。(約5500の下部も同じ要領)竪画の筆を一たん止め、左斜下へ押し出し、引き返して同じ角度で右斜	鶯点刄そその終画、ウ点。 筆を向うへ倒して(愛が上を向く)一ぱいにおろし、そのまま右斜下から横へ引きなが いている。	下げた筆を止めずに下へ引くので、左よりとなるのを引きながら右へもどす。A() B(())めるときは筆全体を内側に押しつけ、 B引くときは右斜下へ引きながらゆっくり筆をおさめる。(早書の場合は、左斜下へ押し堅画 筆をおろし(命点ではない)軽く左斜下に押し下げ、筆の終るところを見定めてから、まっすぐに引きおろす。 A終りを止	横に一の字を引く。(早書の場合は、命点から斜上にあげた筆をすぐにおろさず、右に引きながら下げる。↓)横圓(第一圓) 命点に続けて書く。命点をうち、筆先を離さずに少し斜上にあげ、命点にかぶせるように筆をおろし、	われて来た。 現であることを表わす。また 汎 字の点画とも考えられる。命点をうたない梵字は「ただの梵字」で悉曇ではないとい現であることを表わす。また 汎 字の点画とも考えられる。命点をうたない梵字は「ただの梵字」で悉曇ではないとい

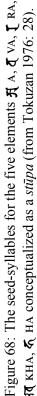
Figure 64: Elemental Siddham strokes (from Bonji Kichō Shiryō Kankōkai 1980: 114).



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Figure 69: Different forms of hāmmām, the bīja of Fudō Myōō (Acala) (from Tokuzan 1974: 227)



Figure 70: The seed syllables of 不動明王 Fudō Myōō and his attendants, 制吒迦童子 Seitaka-dōji (Cetaka) and 矜羯羅童子 Kongara-dōji (Kimkara) (from Kodama 2005: 97).





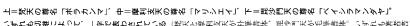




Figure 71: Seed syllables of 梵天 Bon-ten (Brahmā), 摩利支天 Marishi-ten (Marici), and 毘沙門天 Bishamon-ten (Vaiśravaņa) (from Kodama 2005: 99).