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Abstract

This package provides for Lua \TeX an Arab \TeX -like interface to generate Arabic writing from an ASCII transliteration. It is particularly well-suited for complex documents such as technical documents or critical editions where a lot of left-to-right commands intertwine with Arabic writing. `arabluatex` is able to process any Arab \TeX input notation. Its output can be set in the same modes of vocalization as Arab \TeX , or in different roman transliterations. It further allows many typographical refinements. It will eventually interact with some other packages yet to come to produce from `.tex` source files, in addition to printed books, TEI xml compliant critical editions and/or lexicons that can be searched, analyzed and correlated in various ways.

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This release of `arabluatex` consists of the following source files:

- `arabluatex.ins`
- `arabluatex.dtx`
- `arabluatex.lua`
- `arabluatex_voc.lua`
- `arabluatex_fullvoc.lua`
- `arabluatex_novoc.lua`
- `arabluatex_trans.lua`

1 Introduction

In comparison to Prof. Lagally's outstanding Arab \TeX ,¹ ArabLua \TeX is at present nothing more than a modest piece of software. Hopefully—if I may say so—it will eventually provide all of its valuable qualities to the Lua \TeX users.

¹See <http://ctan.org/pkg/arabtex>

arabtex dates back to 1992. As far as I know, it was then the first and only way to typeset Arabic texts with \TeX and \LaTeX . To achieve that, arabtex provided—and still does—an Arabic font in *Nashī* style and a macro package that defined its own input notation which was, as the author stated, “both machine, and human, readable, and suited for electronic transmission and e-mail communication”.² Even if the same can be said about Unicode, Arab \TeX ASCII input notation still surpasses Unicode input, in my opinion, when it comes to typesetting complex documents, such as scientific documents or critical editions where footnotes and other kind of annotations can be particularly abundant. It must also be said that most text editors have trouble in displaying Arabic script connected with preceding or following \LaTeX commands: it often happens that commands seem misplaced, not to mention punctuation marks, or opening or closing braces, brackets or parentheses that are unexpectedly displayed in the wrong direction. Of course, some text editors provide ways to get around such difficulties by inserting invisible Unicode characters, such as LEFT-TO-RIGHT or RIGHT-TO-LEFT MARKS (U+200E, U+200F), RTL/LTR “embed” characters (U+202B, U+202A) and RLO/LRO “bidi-override” characters (U+202E, U+202D).³ Nonetheless, it remains that inserting all the time these invisible characters in complex documents rapidly becomes confusing and cumbersome.

The great advantage of Arab \TeX notation is that it is immune from all these difficulties, let alone its being clear and straightforward. One also must remember that computers are designed to process code. Arab \TeX notation is a way of encoding Arabic language, just as \TeX “mathematics mode” is a way of processing code to display mathematics. As such, not only does it allow greater control over typographical features, but it also can be processed in several different ways: so without going into details, depending on one’s wishes, Arab \TeX input can be full vocalized Arabic (*scriptio plena*), vocalized Arabic or non-vocalized Arabic (*scriptio defectiva*); it further can be transliterated into whichever romanization standard the user may choose.

But there may be more to be said on that point, as encoding Arabic also naturally encourages the coder to vocalize the texts—without compelling him to do so, of course. Accurate coding may even have other virtuous effects. For instance, hyphens may be used for tying particles or prefixes to words, or to mark inflectional endings, and so forth. In other words, accurate coding produces accurate texts that can stand to close grammatical scrutiny and to complex textual searches as well.

Having that in mind, I started arabluatex. With the help of Lua, it will eventually interact with some other packages yet to come to produce from `.tex` source files, in addition to printed books, TEI `xml` compliant critical editions and/or lexicons that can be searched, analyzed and correlated in various ways.

1.1 arabluatex is for Lua \LaTeX

It goes without saying that arabluatex requires Lua \LaTeX . \TeX and \LaTeX have arabtex, and X \LaTeX has arabxetex. Both of them are much more advanced than arabluatex,

²Lagally (2004, p. 2).

³Gáspár Sinai’s Yudit probably has the best Unicode support. See <http://www.yudit.org>.

as they can process a number of different languages,⁴ whereas `arabluatex` can process only Arabic for the time being. More languages will be included in future releases of `arabluatex`.

In comparison to `arabxetex`, `arabluatex` works in a very different way. The former relies on the `TECKit` engine which converts `ArabTeX` input on the fly into Unicode Arabic script, whereas the latter passes `ArabTeX` input on to a set of Lua functions. At first, `TeX` commands are taken care of in different ways: some, as `\emph`, `\textbf` and the like are expected to have Arabic text as arguments, while others, as `\LR`, for “left-to-right text”, are not. Then, once what is Arabic is carefully separated from what is not, it is processed by other Lua functions which rely on different sets of correspondence tables to do the actual conversion in accordance with one’s wishes. Finally, Lua returns to `TeX` the converted strings—which may in turn contain some other `ArabTeX` input yet to be processed—for further processing.

2 The basics of `arabluatex`

2.1 Activating `arabluatex`

As usual put in your preamble:

```
\usepackage{arabluatex}
```

The only requirement of `arabluatex` is `LuaTeX`; it will complain if you try to compile your document with another engine. That aside, `arabluatex` does not load packages such as `polyglossia` or `luabidi`. It can work with `polyglossia` though, but does not require it.

Font setup If you wish to use your own Arabic font, you can define it before loading `arabluatex`. Assuming that `fontspec` is loaded, put this in your preamble just above the line that loads `arabluatex`:

```
\newfontfamily\arabicfont[Script=Arabic]{\fontname}
```

where `\fontname` is the standard name of the Arabic font you wish to use.

By default, if no Arabic font is selected, `arabluatex` will issue a warning message and attempt to load the Amiri font⁵ like so:—

```
\newfontfamily\arabicfont[Script=Arabic]{Amiri}
```

REM. By default Amiri places the *kasra* in combination with the *tašdīd* below the consonant, like so: `كـ`. That is correct, as at least in the oldest manuscripts `كـ` may stand for `كـ` as well as `كـ`. See Wright (1896, i.14.C–D). The placement of the *kasra* above the consonant may be obtained by selecting the `ss05` feature of the Amiri font, like so:—⁶

```
\newfontfamily\arabicfont[Script=Arabic,RawFeature={+ss05}]{Amiri}
```

Other Arabic fonts may behave differently.

⁴To date, both packages support Arabic, Maghribi, Urdu, Pashto, Sindhi, Kashmiri, Uighuric and Old Malay; in addition to these, `arabxetex` also has a Hebrew mode, including Judeo-Arabic and Yiddish.

⁵Hosny (2015).

⁶See the documentation of `amiri`, Hosny (2015, p. 5).

2.2 Options

arabluatex may be loaded with four mutually exclusive global options, each of which may be overridden at any point of the document (see below section 2.3.1 on page 7):

`voc` default

In this mode, which is the one selected by default, every short vowel written generates its corresponding diacritical mark: *damma* (ُ), *fatha* (َ) and *kasra* (ِ). If a vowel is followed by $\langle uN, aN, iN \rangle$, then the corresponding *tanwīn* (ُ, ُ, ِ or ِ) is generated. Finally, $\langle u, a, i \rangle$ at the commencement of a word indicate a “connective ‘alif” (‘*alifu* ‘*l-waṣli*), but `voc` mode does not show the *waṣla* above the ‘alif; instead, the accompanying vowel may be expressed at the beginning of a sentence (أ)).

`fullvoc` In addition to what the `voc` mode does, `fullvoc` expresses the *sukūn* and the *waṣla*.

`novoc` None of the diacritics is showed in `novoc` mode, unless otherwise specified (see “quoting” technique below section 4.4 on page 17).

`trans` This mode transliterates the ArabTeX input into one of the accepted standards. At present, two standards are supported (see below section 6 on page 22 for more details):

dmg *Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft*, which is selected by default;

loc *Library of Congress*.

More standards will be included in future releases of arabluatex.

2.2.1 Classic contrasted with modern typesetting of Arabic

By default, arabluatex typesets Arabic in a classic, traditional style the most prominent features of which are the following:

- ‘Classic’ *madda*: when ‘alif and *hamza* accompanied by a simple vowel or *tanwīn* is preceded by an ‘alif of prolongation (ﻻ), then a mere *hamza* is written on the line, and a *madda* is placed over the ‘alif, like so:–

sAmA' uN سَمَاءُ *samāʿun*, jA' a جَاءَ *ġāʾa*, yaTAsA' a lUna يَتَسَاءَلُونَ *yatasāʿalūna*⁷
(see on page 13 for further details).

- The euphonic *tašdīd* is generated (see on page 13).
- Assimilation rules laid on item b on page 14 are applied.
- In `fullvoc` mode, the *sukūn* is expressed.

`\SetArbEasy` Such refinements may be discarded by the command `\SetArbEasy`, either globally
`\SetArbDflt` in the preamble or locally at any point of the document. Default ‘classic’ rules may be set back at any point of the document with the command `\SetArbDflt`. Examples follow:–

(a) `\SetArbDflt`:

- i. `voc` وَمَاتَ اسْتِسْقَاءَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُتِمَّ كِتَابَهُ فِي نُجُومِ السَّمَاءِ
- ii. `fullvoc` وَمَاتَ اسْتِسْقَاءَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُتِمَّ كِتَابَهُ فِي نُجُومِ السَّمَاءِ

⁷Note that in old mss. such forms as سَمَاءُ, جَاءُ are also found; see Wright (1896, i. 24 D).

- iii. trans *wa-māta 'šisqā^{an} qabla 'ay yutimma kitāba-hu fī nuḡūmⁱ 's-samāⁱ*
- (b) `\SetArbEasy`:
- i. voc وَمَاتَ اسْتِسْقَاءَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُتِمَّ كِتَابَهُ فِي نَجْمِ السَّمَاءِ
 - ii. fullvoc وَمَاتَ اسْتِسْقَاءَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُتِمَّ كِتَابَهُ فِي نَجْمِ السَّمَاءِ
 - iii. trans *wa-māta 'šisqā^{an} qabla 'an yutimma kitāba-hu fī nuḡūmⁱ 's-samāⁱ*

Please note that this document is typeset with `\SetArbDflt` throughout.

2.3 Typing Arabic

`\arb` Once `arabluatex` is loaded, a command `\arb{Arabic text}` is available for inserting Arabic text in paragraphs, like so:—

```

1 From \textcite[i. 1 A]{Wright}:--- Arabic, like Hebrew and
2 Syriac, is written and read from right to left. The letters
3 of the alphabet (\arb{.hurUf-u 'l-hijA'-i}, \arb{.hurUf-u
4 'l-tahajjI}, \arb{al-.hurUf-u 'l-hijA'iyyaT-u}, or
5 \arb{.hurUf-u 'l-mu`jam-i}) are twenty-eight in number and
6 are all consonants, though three of them are also used as
7 vowels (see §3).
```

From Wright (1896, i. 1 A):— Arabic, like Hebrew and Syriac, is written and read from right to left. The letters of the alphabet (أَلْحُرُوفُ، حُرُوفُ التَّهَجِّي، حُرُوفُ الْهِجَاءِ) أَلْحُرُوفُ، or حُرُوفُ الْمُعْجَمِ) are twenty-eight in number and are all consonants, though three of them are also used as vowels (see § 3).

`arab` Running paragraphs of Arabic text should rather be placed inside an *Arabic environment*

```

1 \begin{arab}
2 [...]
3 \end{arab}
```

like so:—

```

1 \begin{arab}
2 'at_A .sadIquN 'il_A ju.hA ya.tlubu min-hu .himAra-hu
3 li-yarkaba-hu fI safraTiN qa.sIraTiN. wa-qAla la-hu:
4 \enquote{sawfa 'u`Idu-hu 'ilay-ka fI 'l-masA'-i
5 wa-'adfa`u la-ka 'ujraTaN.} fa-qAla ju.hA:
6 \enquote{'anA 'AsifuN jiddaN 'annI lA 'asta.tI`u 'an
7 'u.haqqiqa la-ka .garbata-ka fa-'l-.himAr-u laysa hunA
8 'l-yawm-a.} wa-qabla 'an yutimma ju.hA kalAma-hu bada'a
```

```

9      'l-.himAr-u yanhaqu fI 'i.s.tabili-hi. fa-qAla la-hu
10     .sadiqu-hu: \enquote{'innI 'asma`u .himAra-ka yA ju.hA
11     yanhaqu.} fa-qAla la-hu ju.hA: \enquote{.garIbuN
12     'amru-ka yA .sadiqI 'a-tu.saddiqu 'l-.himAr-a
13     wa-tuka_d_dibu-nI?}
14     \end{arab}

```

أَتَى صَدِيقٌ إِلَى جِحَا يَطْلُبُ مِنْهُ حِمَارَهُ لِيَرْكَبَهُ فِي سَفَرَةٍ قَصِيرَةٍ. وَقَالَ لَهُ: "سَوْفَ أُعِيدُهُ إِلَيْكَ فِي الْمَسَاءِ
وَأَدْفَعُ لَكَ أُجْرَةً." فَقَالَ جِحَا: "أَنَا آسَفٌ جِدًّا أَنِّي لَا أَسْتَطِيعُ أَنْ أُحَقِّقَ لَكَ غَرَبَتَكَ فَالْحِمَارُ لَيْسَ هُنَا
الْيَوْمَ." وَقَبْلَ أَنْ يُتِمَّ جِحَا كَلَامَهُ بَدَأَ الْحِمَارُ يَنْهَقُ فِي إِصْطِلِهِ. فَقَالَ لَهُ صَدِيقُهُ: "إِنِّي أَسْمَعُ حِمَارَكَ يَا جِحَا
يَنْهَقُ." فَقَالَ لَهُ جِحَا: "غَرِيبٌ أَمْرُكَ يَا صَدِيقِي أَتَصَدِّقُ الْحِمَارَ وَتُكَلِّبُنِي؟"

2.3.1 Local options

As seen above in section 2.2 on page 5, arabluatex may be loaded with four mutually exclusive global options: `voc` (which is the default option), `fullvoc`, `novoc` and `trans`. Whatever choice has been made globally, it may be overridden at any point of the document, as the `\arb` command may take any of the `voc`, `fullvoc`, `novoc` or `trans` modes as optional arguments, like so:—

```

voc      - \arb[voc]{\langle Arabic text \rangle};
fullvoc  - \arb[fullvoc]{\langle Arabic text \rangle};
novoc    - \arb[novoc]{\langle Arabic text \rangle};
trans    - \arb[trans]{\langle Arabic text \rangle}.

```

The same optional arguments may be passed to the environment `arab`: one may have `\begin{arab}[\langle mode \rangle] \dots \end{arab}`, where `\langle mode \rangle` may be any of `voc`, `fullvoc`, `novoc` or `trans`.

3 Standard ArabTeX input

3.1 Consonants

Table 1 gives the ArabTeX equivalents for all of the Arabic consonants.

Letter	Transliteration ⁸		ArabTeX notation
	dmg	loc	
ا ⁹	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	a
ب	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>	b
ت	<i>t</i>	<i>t</i>	t

⁸See below section 6 on page 22.

⁹For *ʿalif* as a consonant, see Wright (1896, i. 16 D).

Letter	Transliteration		ArabTeX notation
	dmg	loc	
ث	<i>ṭ</i>	<i>th</i>	<code>_t</code>
ج	<i>ǧ</i>	<i>j</i>	<code>^g or j</code>
ح	<i>ḥ</i>	<i>ḥ</i>	<code>.h</code>
خ	<i>ḫ</i>	<i>kh</i>	<code>_h or x</code>
د	<i>d</i>	<i>d</i>	<code>d</code>
ذ	<i>ḏ</i>	<i>dh</i>	<code>_d</code>
ر	<i>r</i>	<i>r</i>	<code>r</code>
ز	<i>z</i>	<i>z</i>	<code>z</code>
س	<i>s</i>	<i>s</i>	<code>s</code>
ش	<i>š</i>	<i>sh</i>	<code>^s</code>
ص	<i>ṣ</i>	<i>ṣ</i>	<code>.s</code>
ض	<i>ḏ</i>	<i>ḏ</i>	<code>.d</code>
ط	<i>ṭ</i>	<i>ṭ</i>	<code>.t</code>
ظ	<i>ẓ</i>	<i>ẓ</i>	<code>.z</code>
ع	<i>ʿ</i>	<i>ʿ</i>	<code>`</code>
غ	<i>ǧ</i>	<i>gh</i>	<code>.g</code>
ف	<i>f</i>	<i>f</i>	<code>f</code>
ق	<i>q</i>	<i>q</i>	<code>q</code>
ك	<i>k</i>	<i>k</i>	<code>k</code>
ل	<i>l</i>	<i>l</i>	<code>l</code>
م	<i>m</i>	<i>m</i>	<code>m</code>
ن	<i>n</i>	<i>n</i>	<code>n</code>
ه	<i>h</i>	<i>h</i>	<code>h</code>
و	<i>w</i>	<i>w</i>	<code>w</code>
ي	<i>y</i>	<i>y</i>	<code>y</code>
ة	<i>a</i>	<i>ah</i>	<code>T</code>

Table 1: Standard ArabTeX (consonants)

3.2 Vowels

3.2.1 Long vowels

Table 2 gives the ArabTeX equivalents for the Arabic long vowels.

Letter	Transliteration ¹⁰		ArabTeX notation
	dmg	loc	
ا	<i>ā</i>	<i>ā</i>	<code>A</code>
و	<i>ū</i>	<i>ū</i>	<code>U</code>
ي	<i>ī</i>	<i>ī</i>	<code>I</code>

¹⁰See below section 6 on page 22.

Letter	Transliteration		ArabT _E X notation
	dmg	loc	
آ ¹¹	\bar{a}	\acute{a}	_A or Y
أ	\bar{a}	\bar{a}	_a
أ	\bar{u}	\bar{u}	_u
أ	\bar{i}	\bar{i}	_i

Table 2: Standard ArabT_EX (long vowels)

REM. a. The long vowels \bar{a} , \bar{u} , \bar{i} , otherwise called *hurūf*^u 'l-maddⁱ, the letters of prolongation, involve the placing of the short vowels *a*, *u*, *i* before the letters ا, و, ي respectively. arabuatex does that automatically in case any from voc, fullvoc or trans modes is selected e.g. قَالَ *qāla*, قِيلَ *qīla*, يَقُولُ *yaqūlu*.

REM. b. Defective writings, such as ا, *al-ʿalif*^u 'l-mahḍūfat^u, or defective writings of \bar{u} and \bar{i} are encoded _a_u and _i respectively, e.g. دَالِكُ *al-mal_a'ikaT-u 'l-ra.hm_an-u* الْمَلِكُ *al-mal_a'ikaT-u 'l-ra.hm_an-u* الْحَدِيثُ *al-hu_dayfaT-u bn-u 'l-yamAn_i* حَدِيثُ *al-hu_dayfaT-u bn-u 'l-yamAn_i* for *Hudayfat*^u *bn*^u 'l-Yamānī, etc.

3.2.2 Short vowels

Table 3 gives the ArabT_EX equivalents for the Arabic short vowels.

Letter	Transliteration ¹²		ArabT _E X notation
	dmg	loc	
ا	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	a
و	<i>u</i>	<i>u</i>	u
ي	<i>i</i>	<i>i</i>	i
ان	<i>an</i>	<i>an</i>	aN
un	<i>un</i>	<i>un</i>	uN
in	<i>in</i>	<i>in</i>	iN

Table 3: Standard ArabT_EX (short vowels)

Whether Arabic texts be vocalized or not is essentially a matter of personal choice. So one may use voc mode and decide not to write vowels except at some particular places for disambiguation purposes, or use novoc mode, not write vowels—as novoc normally does not show them—except, again, where disambiguation is needed.¹³

¹¹= *al-ʿalif*^u 'l-maqṣūrāt^u.

¹²See below section 6 on page 22.

¹³See below section 4.4 on page 17.

However, it may be wise to always write the vowels, leaving to the various modes provided by arabluatex to take care of showing or not showing the vowels.

That said, there is no need to write the short vowels *fatha*, *damma* or *kasra* except in the following cases:

- at the commencement of a word, to indicate that a connective *ʿalif* is needed, with the exception of the article (see below section 4.4 on page 17);
- when arabluatex needs to perform a contextual analysis to determine the carrier of the *hamza*;
- in the various transliteration modes, as vowels are always expressed in romanized Arabic.

4 arabluatex in action

4.1 The vowels and diphthongs

Short vowels As said above, they are written $\langle a, u, i \rangle$:

_halaqa (or xalaqa) خَلَقَ *halaqa*, ^samsuN شَمْسٌ *sams^un*, karImuN كَرِيمٌ *Karim^un*.

bi-hi بِهٍ *bi-hi*, 'aqi.tuN أَقِطٌ *'aqi.tuⁿ*.

la-hu لَهُ *la-hu*, .hujjaTuN حُجَّةٌ *huġġat^un*.

Long vowels They are written $\langle U, A, I \rangle$:

qAla قَالَ *qāla*, bI`a بَيْعٌ *bī'a*, .tUruN طُورٌ *tūr^un*, .tInuN طِينٌ *tīn^un*, murU'aTuN مَرُوءَةٌ *murū'at^un*.

ʿalif maqṣūra It is written $\langle _A \rangle$ or $\langle Y \rangle$:

a1-fat_A الْفَتَى *al-fatā*, a1-maqh_A الْمَقْهَى *al-maqhā*, 'i1_A إِلَى *ilā*.

ʿalif otiosum Said *ʿalif^u ʿl-wiqāyatⁱ*, “the guarding *ʿalif^u*, after *u* at the end of a word, both when preceded by *damma* and by *fatha* is written $\langle UA \rangle$ or $\langle aW, aWA \rangle$:

na.sarUA نَصَرُوا *naṣarū*, katabUA كَتَبُوا *katabū*, ya.gzUA يَغْزُوا *yaġzū*, ramaW رَمَوْا *ramaw*, banaWA بَنَوْا *banaw*.

ʿalif maḥdūfa and defective ū, ī They are written $\langle _a, _i _u \rangle$:

a1-l_ah-u اللهُ *al-lāh^u*, 'i1_ahuN إِلَهٌ *'ilāh^un*.

al-ra.hm_an-u الرَّحْمَنُ *ar-rahmān^u*, l_akin لَكِن *lākin*, h_ahunA هَهُنَا *hāhunā*,
 .hunayn-u bn-u 'is.h_aq-a حُنَيْنُ بْنُ إِسْحَاقَ *Hunayn^u bn^u 'Ishāq^a*, rabb_i
 رَبِّ *rabbī*, al-`A.s_i الْعَاصِ *al-`Āṣī*.

Silent ي/و Some words ending with ة are usually written حوة or نوة instead of ة: see Wright (1896, i. 12 A). arablutext preserves that particular writing; the same applies to words ending in ية for ة. Long vowels ⟨U, I⟩ shall receive no *sukūn* after a 'alif *maḥdūfa* and are discarded in trans mode:

.hay_aUTuN حَيوة *hayāt^{un}*, .sal_aUTuN صَلوة *ṣalāt^{un}*, mi^sk_aUTuN
 مَشْكوة *miškāt^{un}*, tawr_aITuN تَورية *tawrāt^{un}*.

And so also: al-rib_aIT-u الرِّبِيَّةُ *ar-ribāt^u*.

'Amr^{un}, and the silent و To that name a silent و is added to distinguish it from 'Umar^u: see Wright (1896, i. 12 C). In no way this affects the sound of the *tanwīn*, so it has to be discarded in trans mode:

`amruNU عمرو *'amr^{un}*, `amraNU عمروا *'amr^{an}*, `amriNU عمرو *'amrⁱⁿ*.

When the *tanwīn* falls away (Wright 1896, i. 249 B): `amr-uU bn-u
 mu.hammadiN عمرو بن محمد *'Amr^u bn^u Muḥammadⁱⁿ*, mu.hammad-u bn-u
 `amr-iU bn-i_hAlidiN خالد بن عمرو بن محمد *Muḥammad^u bn^u 'Amrⁱ bnⁱ
 Ḥālidⁱⁿ*.

And so also: al-rib_aUA الرِّبَا *ar-ribā*, ribaNU رِبَا *rib^{an}*.

tanwīn The marks of doubled short vowels, ُ, ُ, ُ, are written ⟨uN, aN, iN⟩ respectively. arablutext deals with special cases, such as ُ taking an ِ after all consonants except َ, and *tanwīn* preceding ى as in هُدَى, which is written ⟨aN_A⟩ or ⟨aNY⟩:

mAluN مَالٌ *māl^{un}*, bAbaN بَابًا *bāb^{an}*, madInaTan مَدِينَةٌ *madīnat^{an}*, bintiN
 بِنْتٍ *bin^{tin}* maqhaN_A مَقْهَى *maqhaⁿ*, fataNY فَتَى *fataⁿ*.

arablutext is aware of special orthographies: ^say'uN شَيْءٌ *šay^{un}*, ^say'aN
 شَيْئًا *šay^{an}*, ^say'iN شَيْءٍ *šayⁱⁿ*.

In some cases, it may be useful to mark the root form of defective words so as to produce a more accurate transliteration of ending *tanwīn*. As seen above, *tanwīn* preceding ى is written ⟨aN_A⟩ or ⟨aNY⟩. Such forms as قَاضٍ may likewise be written ⟨iNI⟩:—

al-qA.dI الْقَاضِي *al-qāḍī*, qA.diyaN قَاضِيًا *qāḍiy^{an}*, qA.diNI قَاضٍ *qāḍīⁿ*.

4.2 Other orthographic signs

tā' marbūṭa It is written ⟨T⟩:

madInaTuN مَدِينَةٌ *madīnat^{un}*, madInaTaN مَدِينَةٌ *madīnat^{an}*, madInaTiN مَدِينَةٌ *madīnatⁱⁿ*.

hamza It is written ⟨'⟩, its carrier being determined by contextual analysis. In case one wishes to bypass this mechanism, he can use the “quoting” feature that is described below in section 4.4 on page 17.

Initial hamza: 'asaduN أَسَدٌ *'asad^{un}*, 'u_htuN أُخْتٌ *'uḥ^{tun}*, 'iqlIduN إِقْلِيدٌ *'iqlīd^{un}*, 'anna أَنْ *'anna*, 'inna إِنْ *'inna*.

hamza followed by the long vowel *و* is encoded '_U: '_U1_A أُولَى *'ulā*, '_U1U أُولُو *'ulū*, '_U1A إِيكَكَ *'ulā'ika*.

hamza followed by the long vowel *ي* is encoded '_I: '_ImAnuN إِيْمَانٌ *'imān^{un}*.

Middle hamza: xa.ti'-Ina خَاطِبِينَ *ḥāṭi^{ina}*, ru'UsuN رُوُوسٌ *ru^{'usun}*, xa.ti'aTuN خَاطِبِيَةٌ *ḥaṭi^{'atun}*, su'ila سُوَيْلٌ *su^{'ila}*, 'as'ilaTuN أَسْئَلَةٌ *'as^{'ilatun}*, mas'alaTuN مَسْأَلَةٌ *mas^{'alatun}*, 'as'alu أَسْأَلُ *'as^{'alu}*, yataSa'alUna يَتَسَاءَلُونَ *yatasā^{'alūna}*, murU'aTuN مُرُوَةٌ *murū^{'atun}*, ta'xIruN تَأْخِيرٌ *ta^{'hīrun}*, ta'axxara تَأَخَّرَ *ta^{'ahḥara}*, ji'tu-ka جِئْتُكَ *gi^{'tu-ka}*, qA'iluN قَائِلٌ *qā^{'ilun}*.

From Wright (1896, i. 14 B):— All consonants, whatsoever, not even *'alif hēmzatum* excepted, admit of being doubled and take *tašdīd*. Hence we speak and write ra'AsuN رَأْسٌ *ra^{'āsun}*, sa'AluN سَأَلٌ *sa^{'ālun}*, na'AjuN نَأَجٌ *na^{'āḡun}*.

Final hamza: xa.ta'uN خَطَأٌ *ḥaṭa^{un}*, xa.ta'aN خَطَأٌ *ḥaṭa^{an}*, xa.ta'in خَطَأٌ *ḥaṭaⁱⁿ*, 'aqra'u أَقْرَأُ *'aqra^{'u}*, taqra'Ina تَقْرَأِينَ *taqra^{'ina}*, taqra'Una تَقْرَأُونَ *taqra^{'ūna}*, yaqra'na يَقْرَأْنَ *yaqra^{'na}*, yaxba'Ani يَخْبَأْنَ *yaḥba^{'āni}*, xaba'A خَبَأَ *ḥaba^{'ā}*, xubi'a خُبِيءٌ *ḥubi^{'a}*, xubi'UA خُبِيئُوا *ḥubi^{'ū}*, jA'a جَاءَ *ḡā^{'a}*, rida'uN رِدَاءٌ *ridā^{un}*, rida'aN رِدَاءٌ *ridā^{an}*, jI'a جِيءَ *ḡī^{'a}*, radI'in رَدِيءٌ *radī^{'in}*, sU'uN سُوءٌ *sū^{un}*, .daw'uN دَوُّءٌ *daw^{un}*, qay'in قِيءٌ *qay^{'in}*.

ter that carries it, whether the article be written in the assimilated form or not, e.g. a1-^sams-u الشَّمْسُ *aš-šams*^u, or a^s-^sams-u الشَّمْسُ *aš-šams*^u.

a1-tamr-u التَّمْرُ *at-tamr*^u, a1-ra.hm_an-u الرَّحْمَنُ *ar-raḥmān*^u, a1-.zulm-u الظُّلْمُ *az-zulm*^u, a1-lu.gaT-u اللُّغَةُ *al-luġat*^u.

(b) With the letters ر, ل, م, و, ي after ن with *ġazma*, and also after the *tanwīn*:—

Note the absence of *sukūn* above the passed over ن in the following examples, each of which is accompanied by a consistent transliteration: min rabbi-hi مِنْ رَبِّهِ *mir rabbi-hi*, min laylin مِنْ لَيْلٍ *mil layl*ⁱⁿ, 'an yaqtula أَنْ يَقْتُلَ *ay yaqtula*.

With *tanwīn*: kitAbuN mubInuN كِتَابٌ مُبِينٌ *kitāb^{um} mubīn^{un}*.

(c) With the letter ت after the dentals ث, ذ, د, ض, ط, ظ in certain parts of the verb: this kind of assimilation, e.g. لَبِثْتُ for لَبِثْتُ *labiṭtu*, will be discarded here, as it is largely condemned by the grammarians (see Wright 1896, i. 16 B–C).

The definite article and the 'alif 'l-waṣli' At the beginning of a sentence, ا is never written, as اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ; instead, to indicate that the 'alif is a connective 'alif ('alif' 'l-waṣli'), the *hamza* is omitted and only its accompanying vowel is expressed:

a1-.hamd-u li-l-l_ah-i اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ *al-ḥamd^u li-llāhⁱ*.

As said above on page 5, fullvoc is the mode in which arabluatex expresses the *sukūn* and the *waṣla*. arabluatex will take care of doing that automatically provided that the vowel which is to be absorbed by the final vowel of the preceding word is properly encoded, like so:—

(a) Definite article at the beginning of a sentence is encoded

`al-`, or `a<solar letter>-`

if one wishes to mark the assimilation—which is in no way required, as arabluatex will detect all cases of assimilation.

(b) Definite article inside sentences is encoded

`'l-` or `'<solar letter>-`.

(c) In all remaining cases of elision, the 'alifu 'l-waṣli is expressed by the vowel that accompanies the omitted *hamza*: $\langle u, a, i \rangle$.

Article: bAb-u 'l-madrasaT-i اَلْمَدْرَسَةُ *bāb^u 'l-madrasatⁱ*, a1-maQAlaT-u

'l-'_U1_A اَلْمَقَالَةُ *al-maqālat^u 'l-'ūlā*, a1-lu.gaT-u 'l-'arabiyyaT-u

اللُّغَةُ الْعَرَبِيَّةُ *al-luġat^u 'l-'arabiyyat^u*, fI .sinA`aT-i 'l-.tibb-i فِي صِنَاعَةِ

الطَّبِّ *fī ṣinā`atⁱ 't-tibbⁱ*, 'il_A 'l-intiqA.d-i إِلَى الْإِنْتِقَاضِ *'ila 'l-intiqāḍⁱ*,

fI 'l-ibtida'-i فِي الْإِبْتِدَاءِ *fī 'l-ibtidā`ⁱ*, 'abU 'l-wazIr-i أَبُو الْوَزِيرِ *'abu*

'l-wazīrⁱ, fa-lammā ra'aw 'l-najm-a رَأَوْا النَّجْمَ fa-lammā ra'awu 'n-nağm^a.

Particles:—

- (a) *li-*: 'alif^u 'l-waṣlⁱ is omitted in the article أَل when it is preceded by the preposition لِ: li-l-rajul-i لِلرَّجُلِ li-r-rağulⁱ.
If the first letter of the noun be ل, then the ل of the article also falls away, but arabluatex is aware of that: li-l-laylat-i لِللَّيْلَةِ li-llaylatⁱ.
- (b) *la-*: the same applies to the affirmative particle لَ: la-l-.haqq-u الْحَقُّ la-l-haqq^u.
- (c) With the other particles, 'alif^u 'l-waṣlⁱ is expressed: fi 'l-madīnat-i فِي الْمَدِينَةِ fi 'l-madīnatⁱ, wa-'l-rajul-u وَالرَّجُلُ wa-'r-rağul^u, bi-'l-qalam-i بِالْقَلَمِ bi-'l-qalamⁱ, bi-'l-ru`b-i بِالرُّعْبِ bi-'r-ru`bⁱ.

Perfect active, imperative, nomen actionis: qAla isma قَالَ أَسْمَعُ qāla 'sma^ʿ, qAla uqtul قَالَ أَقْتُلُ qāla 'qtul, huwa inhazama هُوَ أَنْهَزَمَ huwa 'nhazama, wa-ustu`mila وَأَسْتَعْمِلَ wa-'stu`mila, qad-i in.sarafa قَدْ أَنْصَرَفَ qadi 'nšarafa, al-iqtidarُ الْأَقْتِدَارُ al-iqtidār^u, 'il_A 'l-intiqā.d-i إِلَى الْأَنْتِقَاضِ ila 'l-intiqādⁱ, lawi istaqbala لَوْ اسْتَقْبَلَ lawi 'staqbala.

Other cases: 'awi ismu-hu أَوْ اسْمُهُ 'awi 'smu-hu, zayduN ibn-u `amriNU زَيْدُ ابْنِ عَمْرٍو Zayd^{uni} 'bn^u 'Amrⁱⁿ,¹⁴ `umar-u ibn-u 'l-_ha.t.tAb-i عُمَرُ بْنُ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ابْنِ عُمَرَ Umar^u 'bn^u 'l-Ḥaṭṭābⁱ,¹⁵ imru '-u 'l-qays-i إِمْرُؤُ الْقَيْسِ Imru^u 'l-Qaysⁱ, la-aymun-u 'l-l_ah-i لَا يُؤْمِنُ اللَّهُ la-'ymun^u 'l-lāhⁱ.

'alif^u 'l-waṣlⁱ preceded by a long vowel The long vowel preceding the connective 'alif is shortened in pronunciation (Wright 1896, i. 21 B–D). This does not appear in the Arabic script, but arabluatex takes it into account in some transliteration standards:—

fi 'l-nAs-i فِي النَّاسِ fi 'n-nāsⁱ, 'abU 'l-wazIr-i أَبُو الْوَزِيرِ 'abu 'l-wazīrⁱ,
fi 'l-ibtida' -i فِي الْإِبْتِدَاءِ fi 'l-ibtidā'ⁱ, _dU 'l-i`lAl-i ذُو الْأَعْلَالِ du
'l-i'lālⁱ, maqh_A 'l-'amIr-i الْأَمِيرِ مَقْهَى maqha 'l-'amīrⁱ.

'alif^u 'l-waṣlⁱ preceded by a diphthong The diphthong is resolved into two simple vowels (Wright 1896, i. 21 D–22 A) viz. ay → āi and aw → āū. arabluatex detects the cases in which this rule applies:—

¹⁴ "Zayd is the son of 'Amr": the second noun is not in apposition to the first, but forms part of the predicate. Hence زَيْدُ ابْنِ عَمْرٍو and not زَيْدُ بْنُ عَمْرٍو, "Zayd, son of 'Amr".

¹⁵ "Umar is the son of al-Ḥaṭṭāb" (see footnote 14).

fI`aynay 'l-malik-i عَيْنِي الْمَلِكِ فِي عَيْنِي 'aynayi 'l-malikⁱ, ix[^]say 'l-qawm-a
 إِخْتَبَى الْقَوْمَ ihšayi 'l-qawm^a, mu . s . tafaw 'l-l_ah-i مُصْطَفَوُ اللَّهِ muṣṭafawu
 'l-lāhⁱ.

ramaW 'l- . hijAraT-a رَمَوْا الْجَارَةَ ramawu 'l-ḥiğārat^a, fa-lamma ra'aW 'l-najm-a
 رَأَوْا النَّجْمَ fa-lammā ra'awu 'n-nağm^a.

'alif^u 'l-waṣṭiⁱ preceded by a consonant with sukūn The vowel which the consonant takes is either its original vowel, or that which belongs to the connective 'alif or the *kasra*; in most of the cases (Wright 1896, i. 22 A–C), it is encoded explicitly, like so:–

'antumū 'l-ka_dib-Una أَنْتُمْ الْكَادِبُونَ 'antumū 'l-kādibūna, ra'aytumu
 'l-rajul-a رَأَيْتُمُ الرَّجُلَ ra'aytumu 'r-rağul^a, mani 'l-ka_d_dAb-u مَنِ
 الْكَذَّابُ mani 'l-kaddāb^u, qatalati 'l-rUm-u قَاتَلَتِ الرُّومُ qatalati 'r-Rūm^u.

However, the Arabic script does not show the *kasra* which is taken by the nouns having *tanwīn* although it is explicit in pronunciation and must appear in some transliteration standards. arablumatex takes care of that automatically:–

mu . hammaduN 'l-nabI مُحَمَّدٌ النَّبِيُّ Muḥammad^{uni} 'n-nabī.

4.3 Special orthographies

The name of God The name of God, اللَّهُ, is compounded of the article اَلْ, and اِلَٰهٌ (noted اِلَٰهٌ with the defective 'alif) so that it becomes اِلَٰهٌ; then the *hamza* is suppressed, its vowel being transferred to the ل before it, so that there remains اِلَٰهٌ (I refer to Lane, *Lexicon*, I. 83 col. 1). Finally, the first ل is made quiescent and incorporated into the other, hence the *tašdīd* above it. As arablumatex never requires a solar letter to be written twice (see above, on page 13), the name of God is therefore encoded a1-l_ah-u or 'l-l_ah-u:–

a1-l_ah-u اَللَّهُ al-lāh^u, yA¹⁶ a1-l_ah-u يَا اللَّهُ yā al-lāh^u, 'a-fa¹⁷-a1-l_ah-i
 لا-تا.گ`alanna أَفَالَهُ لَتَعْلَنَ 'a-fa-al-lāhⁱ la-tağ'alanna, bi-'l-l_ah-i
 بِأَللَّهِ bi-'l-lāhⁱ, wa-'l-l_ah-i وَاللَّهُ wa-'l-lāhⁱ, bi-sm-i 'l-l_ah-i بِسْمِ
 اللَّهِ bi-smⁱ 'l-lāhⁱ, a1-.hamd-u لِي-ل-ل_ah-i اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ al-ḥamd^u li-llāhⁱ,
 li-l-l_ah-i 'l-qA'i-l-u لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلُ li-llāhⁱ 'l-qā'il^u.

¹⁶Note the “pipe” character ‘|’ here after yA and below after fa before footnote mark 17: it is needed by the dmḡ transliteration mode as in this mode any vowel at the commencement of a word preceded by a word that ends with a vowel, either short or long, is absorbed by this vowel viz. ‘alā ‘t-tariqⁱ. See section 4.5 on page 20 on the “pipe” and section 6 on page 22 on dmḡ mode.

¹⁷See footnote 16.

The conjunctive الَّذِي Although it is compounded of the article أَلْ, the demonstrative letter ل and the demonstrative pronoun لَئِ, both masculine and feminine forms that are written defectively are encoded a1la_dI and a1latI respectively. Forms starting with the connective 'alif are encoded '1la_dI and '1latI:—

'a_hAfu mina 'l-malik-i '1la_dI ya.zlimu 'l-nAs-a مِنْ أَخَافُ
 اَهْأَفُو مِيْنَا 'لْمَلِكِ الَّذِي يَظْلِمُ النَّاسَ 'l-malik' 'lladī yazlimu 'n-nās^a, `udtu
 'l-^say_h-a '1la_dI huwa marI.duN عُدْتُ الشَّيْخَ الَّذِي هُوَ مَرِيضٌ
 'š-šayh^a 'lladī huwa mariq^{un}, mA 'anA bi-'1la_dI qA'iluN la-ka
 ^say'an شَيْئًا لَكَ شَيْئًا مَا أَنَا بِالَّذِي قَائِلٌ لَكَ شَيْئًا mā 'anā bi-'lladī qā'il^{ul} la-ka šay^{an}.
 'ari-na '1la_dayni 'a.dallA-nAmina 'l-jinn-i wa-'l-'ins-i
 أَرِنَا الَّذِينَ أَضَلَّانَا مِنَ الْجِنِّ وَالْإِنْسِ 'ari-nā 'lladayni 'adallā-nā mina 'l-ġinnī
 wa-'l-'insī.

The other forms are encoded regularly as a1-l or '1-l:—

fa-'innA na_dkuru 'l-. sawt-ayni '1-la_dayni rawaynA-humA
 فَا'إِنَّا نَذْكُرُ الصَّوْتِينَ الَّذِينَ رَوَيْنَاهُمَا عَنْ حِظَّةِ
 'š-sawt^{ayni} 'l-ladayni rawaynā-humā 'an Ġaḥḥat^a.

And also: a1-la_dAni اللَّذَانِ al-ladāni, a1-la_dayni اللَّذِينَ al-ladayni,
 a1-latAni اللَّتَانِ al-latāni, a1-latayni اللَّتَيْنِ al-latayni, a1-lAtI اللَّاتِي al-
 lātī, a1-lA' |Ati¹⁸ اللَّاءَاتِ al-lā'āti, a1-lA' I اللَّاءِي al-lā'i, and so forth.

4.4 Quoting

It is here referred to “quoting” after the package arabtex.¹⁹ The “quoting” mechanism of arabluatex is designed to be very similar in effect to the one of arabtex.

To start with an example, suppose one types the following in novoc mode: عَمَّ عِلْمِ
 الهيئة; is it عَمَّ, he was taught the science of astronomy, or عَمَّ, he taught the science of as-
 tronomy? In order to disambiguate this clause, it may be sensible to put a *damma* above
 the first عَمَّ عِلْمِ الهيئة: عَمَّ عِلْمِ الهيئة, which is achieved by “quoting” the vowel u, like so: ` "u11ima,
 or, with no other vowel than the required u: ` "u11m.

This is how the “quoting” mechanism works: metaphorically speaking, it acts as a *toggle switch*. If something, in a given mode, is supposed to be visible, “quoting” hides it; conversely, if it is supposed not to, it makes it visible.

As shown above, “quoting” means inserting one straight double quote (") before the letter that is to be acted upon. Its effects depend on the mode which is currently selected, either novoc, voc or fullvoc:—

¹⁸Note here the “pipe” character '|': as already stated on page 13, the sequence 'A usually encodes 'alif with hamza followed by 'alif of prolongation, which is represented in writing 'alif with madda: ا. The “pipe” character prevents this rule from being applied. See section 4.5 on page 20.

¹⁹See Lagally (2004, p. 22)

novoc In this mode, “quoting” essentially means make visible something that ought not to be so.

- (a) Quoting a vowel, either short or long, makes the *ḍamma*, *fathā* or *kasra* appear above the appropriate consonant:—

ʿullima ʿilm-a ʿl-hayʿaT-i علم الهيئة علم ʿullima ʿilm^a ʿl-hayʿatⁱ,
ya.gz"UA يغزوا yağzū.

- (b) The same applies when “quoting” the *tanwīn*:—

wa-ʿinna sawfa tudriku-na ʿl-manāya muqadd"araT"an وإنا
سوف تدركنا المنيا مقدرةً wa-ʿinnā sawfa tudriku-na ʿl-manāyā muqaddarat^{an}.

- (c) If no vowel follows the straight double quote, then a *sukūn* is put above the preceding consonant:—

qAla isma`" قال اسمع qāla ʿsmaʿ, jAʿat" hinduN جَاءَتْ هِنْدُ hinduN
شبيه بمن قُطعتُ qadamA-hu q"u.ti`at" qadamA-hu شبيه بمن قُطعتُ
šabīh^{un} bi-man qūṭiʿat qadamā-hu. قدامه

- (d) At the commencement of a word, the straight double quote is interpreted as *ʿalif^u* *ʿl-waṣlⁱ*:—

wa-"ust"u`mila وأستعمل wa-ʿstu`mila, huwa "inhazama هو أنهزم huwa
ʿnhazama, al-"intiqa.du الأنتقاض al-intiqādu.

voc In accordance with the general rule, in this mode, “quoting” makes the vowels and the *tanwīn* disappear, should this feature be required for some reason:—

- (a) Short and long vowels:—

q"Ala q"A' iluN قَالَ قَائِلٌ qāla qāʿil^{un}, ibn-u ʿabI ʿu.saybi`aT-"a
ابن أبي أُصْبَيْعَةَ Ibn^u ʿAbī ʿUṣaybiʿat^a.

- (b) *tanwīn*:—

madInaT"an مَدِينَةٌ madīnat^{an}, bAb"an بَابًا bāb^{an}, hud"an_A هُدًى huḍāⁿ,
شَيْءٌ šayⁱⁿ.

One may more usefully “quote” the initial vowels to write the *waṣla* above the *ʿalif* or insert a straight double quote after a consonant not followed by a vowel to make the *sukūn* appear:—

- (a) *ʿalif^u* *ʿl-waṣlⁱ*:—

fI "istisqA'-a فِي اسْتِسْقَاءٍ fi ʿstisqāʿ^a, wa-"istisqA'-u وَأَسْتِسْقَاءٌ wa-ʿstisqāʿ^u,
قَالَ أَهْرُبُ فَلَنْ تُقْتَلَ qāla ʿhrub fa-lan tuqtala قَالَ أَهْرُبُ فَلَنْ تُقْتَلَ qāla ʿhrub fa-lan tuq-
tala.

- (b) *sukūn*:—

4.5 The “pipe” character (|)

In the terminology of Arab_T_E_X, the “pipe” character ‘|’ is referred to as the “invisible consonant”. Hence, as already seen above in section 4.4.1 on page 19, its usage to encode the *hamza* alone, with no carrier: | " ' ء.

Aside from that usage, the “pipe” character is used to prevent almost any of the contextual analysis rules that are described above from being applied. Two examples have already been given to demonstrate how that particular mechanism works in footnote 16 on page 16 and in footnote 18 on page 17. One more example follows:—

bi-qraN|nUn-a بِقْرَانُونَ *bi-Qrānnūn^a*, “in Crannon” (Thessaly, Greece).²¹

As one can see, the “pipe” character between the two ⟨*n*⟩ prevents the necessary *tašdīd* rule (page 13) from being applied.

4.6 Stretching characters: the *taṭwīl*

A double hyphen ⟨--⟩ stretches the ligature in which one letter is bound to another. Although it is always better to rely on automatic stretching, this technique may be used to a modest extent, especially to increase legibility of letters and diacritics which stand one above the other:—

.hunayn-u bn-u 'is.h--_aq-a حُنَيْنُ بْنُ إِسْحَاقَ *Hunayn^u bn^u 'Ishāq^a*

4.7 Digits

4.7.1 Numerical figures

The *Indian numbers*, *ar-raqam^u 'l-hindiyy^u*, are ten in number, and they are compounded in exactly the same way as our numerals:—

1874 ١٨٧٤, 123-456,789 ١٢٣-٤٥٦,٧٨٩, fI sanaT-i 1024 فِي سَنَةٍ
١٠٢٤

4.7.2 The *abjad*

The numbers may also be expressed with letters from right to left arranged in accordance with the order of the Hebrew and Aramaic alphabets (see Wright 1896, i. 28 B–C). The *ʿabjad* numbers are usually distinguished from the surrounding words by a stroke placed over them.

\abjad *ʿabjad* numbers are inserted with the command `\abjad{⟨number⟩}` in any of the `voc`, `fullvoc` and `novoc` modes, where ⟨*number*⟩ may be any number between 1 and 1999, like so:—

\abjad{45} kitAbu-hu fI 'l-`AdAt-i كِتَابُهُ فِي الْعَادَاتِ 45 *kitābu-hu*
fi 'l-ʿādātⁱ.

²¹See more context on page 19.

REM. *a.* As can be seen in the above given example, arabluatex expresses the 'abġad numbers in Roman numerals if it finds the command \abjad in any of the transliteration modes.

REM. *b.* \abjad may also be found outside Arabic environments. In that case, arabluatex does not print the stroke as a distinctive mark over the number for it is not surrounded by other Arabic words. In case one nonetheless wishes to print the stroke, he can use the \aemph command that is described below in section 4.9:—

The \arb[trans]{'abjad} number for 1874 is \abjad{1874} The 'abġad number for 1874 is غضعد.

The \arb[trans]{'abjad} number for 1874 is \aemph{\abjad{1874}} The 'abġad number for 1874 is غضعد.

4.8 Additional characters

In the manuscripts, the unpointed letters, *al-ḥurūfu 'l-muḥmalatu*, are sometimes further distinguished from the pointed by various contrivances, as explained in Wright (1896, i. 4 B–C). One may find these letters written in a smaller size below the line, or with a dot or another mark below. As representing all the possible contrivances leads to much complexity and also needs to be agreed among scholars, new ways of encoding them will be proposed and gradually included as arabluatex will mature.

For the time being, the following is included:—

Letter	Transliteration ²²		ArabTeX notation
	dmg	loc	
ب	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>	.b
د	<i>d</i>	<i>d</i>	^d
ف	<i>f</i>	<i>f</i>	.f
ق	<i>q</i>	<i>q</i>	.q
ك	<i>k</i>	<i>k</i>	.k
ن	<i>n</i>	<i>n</i>	.n
﴿	((((
﴾))))

Table 5: Additional Arabic codings

'afAman . tUs Gal.(M) . fmn . n . ts (sic) Gal.(E1), أفامنطوس Gal.(M) فننطس (sic) Gal.(E1), 'afāmanṭūs Gal.(M) fmnṇṭs (sic) Gal.(E1).

4.9 Arabic emphasis

As already seen in section 4.7.2 on page 20, the 'abġad numbers are distinguished from the surrounding words by a stroke placed over them. This technique is used to distinguish further words that are proper names or book titles.

\aemph One may use the command \aemph{⟨Arabic text⟩} to use the same technique to emphasize words, like so:—

²²See below section 6 on the next page.

`\abjad{45}` : kitAbu-hu \aemph{fI 'l-`AdAt-i} كِتَابُهُ فِي الْعَادَاتِ 45:م
kitābu-hu fi 'l-‘Ādāt.

5 Special applications

Linguistics The same horizontal stroke as the *taṭwīl* (see section 4.6 on page 20) may be encoded $\langle B \rangle$; $\langle BB \rangle$ will receive the *tašdīd*. This is useful to make linguistic annotations and comments on vowels:—

Bu Ba Bi BuN BaN BiN $\overset{\circ}{u} \overset{\circ}{a} \overset{\circ}{i}$ *un an in*, BBu BBa BBi $\overset{\circ}{u} \overset{\circ}{a} \overset{\circ}{i}$, B--aN
 ُ *-an*, B" ..

6 Transliteration

It may be more appropriate to speak of “romanization” than “transliteration” of Arabic. As seen above in section 2.2 on pages 5–7, the “transliteration mode” may be selected globally or locally.

This mode transliterates the ArabTeX input into one of the accepted standards. As said above on page 5, two standards are supported at present:

dmg *Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft*, which was adopted by the International Convention of Orientalist Scholars in Rome in 1935.²³ `dmg` transliteration convention is selected by default;

loc *Library of Congress*: this standard is part of a large set of standards for romanization of non-roman scripts adopted by the American Library Association and the Library of Congress.²⁴

More standards will be included in future releases of arabluatex.

`\SetTranslitConvention` **Convention** The transliteration mode, which is set to `dmg` by default, may be changed at any point of the document by the command `\SetTranslitConvention{mode}`, where $\langle mode \rangle$ may be either `dmg` or `loc`. This command is also accepted in the preamble should one wish to set the transliteration mode globally, eg.:—

```
1 \usepackage{arabluatex}
2 \SetTranslitConvention{loc}
```

`\SetTranslitStyle` **Style** Any transliterated Arabic text is printed in italics by default. This also can be changed either globally in the preamble or locally at any point of the document by the command `\SetTranslitStyle{style}`, where $\langle style \rangle$ may be any font shape selection command, eg. `\upshape`, `\itshape`, `\slshape`, and so forth. Any specific font may also be selected using the font-selecting commands of the `fontspec` package.

²³See Brockelmann et al. (1935).
²⁴See <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/roman.html> for the source document concerning Arabic language.

`\cap` **Proper names** Proper names or book titles that must have their first letters uppercased may be passed as arguments to the command `\cap{⟨word⟩}`. `\cap` is a clever command, for it will give the definite article *al-* in lower case in all positions. Moreover, if the initial letter, apart from the article, cannot be uppercased, viz. ' or ' , the letter next to it will be uppercased:—

```
\cap{.hunayn-u} bn-u \cap{'is.h_aq-a} حُنَيْنُ بْنُ إِسْحَاقَ Hunaynu bnu
'Ishāqa, \cap{`u_tm_an-u} عُثْمَانُ 'Utmānu, .daraba \cap{zayd-u}
bn-u \cap{_h_alidiN} \cap{sa`d-a} bn-a \cap{`awf-i} bn-i
\cap{`abd-i} \cap{'l-l_ah-i} ضَرَبَ زَيْدُ بْنُ خَلْدِ سَعْدِ بْنِ عَوْفِ بْنِ عَبْدِ
اللهِ daraba Zaydu bnu Ḥālīdin Sa`da bna Awff bni 'Abdi 'l-Lāhi.
```

However, `\cap` must be used cautiously in some very particular cases, for the closing brace of its argument may prevent a rule from being applied. To take an example, as seen above on page 16, the transliteration of مُحَمَّدُ النَّبِيُّ must be *Muḥammad^{uni} 'n-nabī*, as nouns having the *tanwīn* take a *kasra* in pronunciation before 'alifu 'l-waṣli. In that case, encoding مُحَمَّد like so: `\cap{mu.hammaduN}` is wrong, because the closing brace would prevent arablutext from detecting the sequence `⟨-uN⟩` immediately followed by `⟨'l⟩`. Fortunately, this can be circumvented in a straightforward way by inserting only part of the noun in the argument of `\cap` viz. up to the first letter that is to be uppercased, like so: `\cap{m}u.hammaduN`.

6.1 Additional note on dmG convention

According to Brockelmann et al. (1935, p. 6), Arabic 'i'rāb may be rendered into dmG in three different ways:

- (a) In full: *Amrun*;
- (b) As superscript text: *Amr^{un}*;
- (c) Discarded: *Amr*.

`\arbup` By default, arablutext applies rule **b**. Once delimited by a set of Lua functions, 'i'rāb is passed as an argument on to a `\arbup` command which is set to `\textsuperscript`.

`\NoArbUp` `\NoArbUp` may be used either in the preamble or at any point of the document in case one wishes to apply rule **a**. The default rule **b** can be set back with `\ArbUpDflt` at any point of the document.

`\SetArbUp` Finally, `\SetArbUp{⟨formatting directives⟩}` may be used to customize the way 'i'rāb is displayed. To take one example, here is how Arabic 'i'rāb may be rendered as subscript text:—

```
1 \SetArbUp{\textsubscript{#1}}
2 Arabic |dmG| transliteration for \arb{ra'aytu ^gAmi`aN
3 muhaddamaTaN mi'_danatu-hu}: \arb[trans]{ra'aytu
4 ^gAmi`aN muhaddamaTaN mi'_danatu-hu.}
```

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Arabic dm̄g transliteration for رَأَيْتُ جَامِعًا مَهْدَمَةً مِثْلَنتَهُ: *ra'aytu ġāmi'am muhaddamat_{am} mi'danatu-hu.*

As shown in the above example, #1 is the token that is replaced with the actual *tanwīn* in the formatting directives of the `\SetArbUp` command.

'i'rāb boundaries Every declinable noun (*mu'rab*) may be declined either with or without *tanwīn*, viz. *munṣarif^{an}* or *ġayr^u munṣarif^{an}*. The former is automatically parsed by arablutex, whereas the latter has to be delimited with an hyphen, like so:—

munṣarif: mu`allim^{uN} مُعَلِّمٌ *mu'allim^{un}*, kA' inuN كَاتِبٌ *kā'in^{un}*, kA' inAtuN كَاتِبَاتٌ *kā'in^{atun}*, \cap{`amraNU} عَمَرُوا *Amr^{an}*, fataN_A فَتَى *fataⁿ*.

ġayr munṣarif: al-mu`allim-u المُعَلِّمُ *al-mu'allim^u*, kitAb-Ani كِتَابَانِ *kitāb^{āni}*, ra^sa'-Ani رَشَانِ *raša^{āni}*, sAriq-Una سَارِقُونَ *sāriq^{ūna}*, qA.d-Una قَاضُونَ *qāḍ^{ūna}*, al-.zulum-Atu الظُّلْمَاتُ *az-zulm^{ātu}*.

REM. a. As the *tanwīn* is passed over in pronunciation when it is followed by the letters ر, ل, م, ي (see item b on page 14), it may be desirable to further distinguish it by putting it above the line, but not to do the same for *ġayr munṣarif* terminations. This can be achieved by simply omitting the hyphen before any *ġayr munṣarif* termination:—

kAna .ganiyyaN l_akinna-hu labisa ḡubbaTaN mumazzaqaN 'aydu-hA كَانَ غَنِيًّا لِكِنَّةٍ لِبَسَ *kāna ḡaniyy^{al} lākinna-hu labisa ḡubbat^{am} mumazzaq^{an} 'aydu-hā.*

REM. b. Although the hyphen before the *tanwīn* is optional as arablutex always parses nouns with such termination, it may also be used to mark better the inflectional endings:—

mana`a 'l-nAs-a kAffaT-aN min mu_hA. tabati-hi 'a.had-uN bi-sayyidi-nA مَنَّ النَّاسُ *mana`a 'n-nās^a kāffat^{am} mim muḡāḡabati-hi 'aḡad^{um} bi-sayyidi-nā.*

6.2 Examples

Here follows in transliteration the story of Ġuḡā and his donkey (جُوْحَا وَحَمَارُهُ). See the code on page 6:—

'dm̄g' standard: `atā ṣadiq^{un} `ilā Ġuḡā yaṭlubu min-hu ḡimāra-hu li-yarkaba-hu fī safratⁱⁿ qaṣiratⁱⁿ. wa-qāla la-hu: “sawfa `u`idu-hu `ilay-ka fī `l-masā`i wa-`adfa`u la-ka `uḡrat^{an}.” fa-qāla Ġuḡā: “`anā `āsif^{un} ḡidd^{an} `anni lā `aṣṭaṭi`u `an `uḡaqqiqa la-ka ḡarbata-ka fa-`l-ḡimār^u laysa huna `l-yawm^a.” wa-qabla `ay yutimma Ġuḡā kalāma-hu bada`a `l-ḡimār^u yanhaqu fī `iṣṭabili-hi. fa-qāla la-hu ṣadiqu-hu: “inni `asma`u ḡimāra-ka yā Ġuḡā yanhaqu.” fa-qāla la-hu Ġuḡā: “ḡarīb^{un} `amru-ka yā ṣadiqī `a-tuṣaddiqu `l-ḡimār^a wa-tukaḡḡibu-nī?”

'loc' standard: atā ṣadiqun ilā juḡā yaṭlubu min-hu ḡimāra-hu li-yarkaba-hu fī safratin qaṣiratin. wa-qāla la-hu: “sawfa u`idu-hu ilay-ka fī al-masā`i wa-adfa`u la-ka ujratan.” fa-qāla juḡā: “anā āsifun jiddan annī lā aṣṭaṭi`u an uḡaqqiqa la-ka gharbata-ka fa-al-ḡimāru laysa hunā al-yawma.” wa-qabla an yutimma juḡā kalāma-hu bada`a

al-ḥimāru yanḥaḡu fī iṣṭabili-hi. fa-qāla la-hu ṣadīqu-hu: “innī asma‘u ḥimāra-ka yā Juḥā yanḥaḡu.” fa-qāla la-hu Juḥā: “gharībun amru-ka yā ṣadīqī a-tuṣaddīqu al-ḥimāra wa-tukadhdhibu-nī?”

7 L^AT_EX Commands in Arabic environments

General principle L^AT_EX commands are accepted in Arabic environments. The general principle which applies is that single-argument commands (`\command{⟨arg⟩}`) such as `\emph{⟨text⟩}`, `\textbf{⟨text⟩}` and the like, are assumed to have Arabic text as their arguments:—

```
\abjad{45} kitAbu-hu \emph{fI 'l-\cap{`AdAt-i}} مَهْ كِتَابُهُ فِي
لُعَادَاتٍ 45 kitābu-hu fi 'l-‘Ādāt'.25
```

The same applies to footnotes:—

```
1 \renewcommand{\footnoterule}%
2   {\hfill\noindent\rule[1mm]{.4\textwidth}{.15mm}}
3 \begin{arab}
4 'inna 'abI kAna mina 'l-muqAtilaT-i\footnote{al-muqAtilaT-i:
5 al-muqAtil-Ina.}, wa-kAnat 'ummI min `u.zamA'-i buyUt-i
6 'l-zamAzimaT-i\footnote{al-zamAzimaT-u: .tA'ifaT-u mina
7 'l-furs-i.}.
8 \end{arab}
```

إِنَّ أَبِي كَانَ مِنَ الْمُقَاتِلَةِ^a, وَكَانَتْ أُمِّي مِنْ عُظَمَاءِ بُيُوتِ الرِّمَازِمَةِ^b.

^aالمُقَاتِلَةُ: الْمُقَاتِلِينَ.
^bالرِّمَازِمَةُ: طَائِفَةٌ مِنَ الْفُرْسِ.

Some commands, however, do not expect running text in their arguments, or one may wish to insert English text eg. in footnotes or in marginal notes. `arabluatex` provides a set of commands to handle such cases.

`\LR{⟨arg⟩}` is designed to typeset its argument from left to right. It may be used in an Arabic environment, either `\arb{⟨Arabic text⟩}` or `\begin{arab} ⟨Arabic text⟩ \end{arab}`, for short insertions of left-to-right text, or to insert any L^AT_EX command that would otherwise be rejected by `arabluatex`, such as commands the argument of which is expected to be a dimension or a unit of measurement.

`\RL{⟨arg⟩}` does the same as `\LR{⟨arg⟩}`, but typesets its argument from right to left. Even in an Arabic environment, this command may be useful.

For example, to distinguish words with a different color, one may proceed like so:—

²⁵This is odd in Arabic script, but using such features as `\emph` or `\textbf` is a matter of personal taste.

```

1 \begin{arab}
2 _tumma "intalaqa _dU 'l-qarn-ayni 'il_A 'ummaT-iN 'u_hr_A fI
3 \LR{\textcolor{red}{\arb[fullvoc]{((ma.tli`-i 'l-^sams-i))}}}
4 wa-lA binA'-a la-hum yu'amminu-hum mina 'l-^sams-i.
5 \end{arab}

```

ثُمَّ اتَّاقَ ذُو الْقَرْنَيْنِ إِلَى أُمَّةٍ أُخْرَى فِي ﴿مَطْلَعِ الشَّمْسِ﴾ وَلَا بِنَاءَ لَهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ مِنَ الشَّمْسِ-

`\LRfootnote` and `\RLfootnote` typeset left-to-right and right-to-left footnotes respectively in Arabic environments. Unlike `\footnote{<text>}`, the arguments of both `\LRfootnote` and `\RLfootnote` are not expected to be Arabic text. For example, `\LRfootnote` may be used to insert English footnotes in running Arabic text:—

```

1 \arb[fullvoc]{\cap{z}ayd-uN\LRfootnote{%
2 \enquote{\arb[trans]{\cap{z}ayd} is the son of
3 \arb[trans]{\cap{a}mr}}: the second
4 noun is not in apposition to the first, but forms
5 part of the predicate\ldots} "ibn-u \cap{a}mr-iNU}

```

زيد^a ابن عمرو

^a “*zayd* is the son of ‘*amr*’: the second noun is not in apposition to the first, but forms part of the predicate...”

When footnotes are typeset from right to left, it may happen that the numbers of the footnotes that are at the bottom of the page be typeset in the wrong direction. For example, instead of an expected number 18, one may get 81. `arabluatex` is not responsible for that, but should it happen, it may be necessary to redefine in the preamble the \LaTeX macro `\thefootnote` like so:—

```
\renewcommand*{\thefootnote}{\textsuperscript{\LR{\arabic{footnote}}}}
```

`\FixArbFtnmk` Another solution is to put in the preamble, below the line that loads `arabluatex`, the command `\FixArbFtnmk`. However, for more control over the layout of footnotes marks, it is advisable to use the package `scrextend`.²⁶

`\LRmarginpar` The command `\LRmarginpar` does for marginal notes the same as `\LRfootnote` does for footnotes. Of course, it is supposed to be used in Arabic environments. Note that `\marginpar` also works in Arabic environments, but it acts as any other single-argument command inserted in Arabic environments. The general principle laid on page 25 applies.

`\setRL` and `\setLR` may be used to change the direction of paragraphs, either from left to right or from right to left. As an example, an easy way to typeset a right-to-left sectional title follows:—

²⁶See <http://ctan.org/pkg/koma-script>; read the documentation of KOMA-script for details about the `\deffootnotemark` and `\deffootnote` commands.

```

1 \setRL
2 \section*{\arb{barzawayhi li-buzurjumihra bn-i 'l-buxtikAni}}
3 \setLR
4 \begin{arab}
5 qAla barzawayhi bn-u 'azhar-a, ra's-u 'a.tibbA'-i fAris-a...
6 \end{arab}

```

بَرَزَوِيهِ لِبُرْجُمِهِرِ بْنِ الْبُخْتِكَانِ
 قَالَ بَرَزَوِيهِ بْنُ أَزْهَرَ، رَأْسُ أَطِبَّاءِ فَارِسٍ ---

7.1 csquotes

The recommended way of inserting quotation marks in running Arabic text is to use `csquotes`. With the help of the `\DeclareQuoteStyle` command, one can define an Arabic style, like so:—

```

1 \usepackage{csquotes}
2 \DeclareQuoteStyle{arabic}
3 {\rmfamily\textquotedblright}{\rmfamily\textquotedblleft}
4 {\rmfamily\textquoteright}{\rmfamily\textquoteleft}

```

Then, use this newly defined style with `\setquotestyle`, like so:—

```

1 \setquotestyle{arabic}
2 \begin{arab}
3   fa-qAla la-hu ju.hA: \enquote{.garIb-uN 'amru-ka yA .sadIqI
4     'a-tu.saddiqu 'l-.himAr-a wa-tuka_d_dibu-nI?}
5 \end{arab}
6 \setquotestyle{english}

```

فَقَالَ لَهُ جَحَا: "غَرِيبٌ أَمْرُكَ يَا صَدِيقِي أَتَصَدِّقُ الْحِمَارَ وَتُكَذِّبُنِي؟"

REM. Do not forget to set back the quoting style to its initial state once the Arabic environment is closed. See the last line in the code above.

7.2 reledmac

The two-arguments command `\edtext{<lemma>}{<commands>}` is supported inside `\begin{arab} ... \end{arab}`. As an example, one may get `arabluatex` and `reledmac` to work together like so:—

```

1 \beginnumbering
2 \pstart
3 \begin{arab}
4 wa-ya.sIru ta.hta 'l-jild-i
5 \edtext{\arb{.sadId-uN}}{\Afootnote{M: \arb{.sadId-aN} E1}}
6 \end{arab}
7 \pend
8 \endnumbering

```

8 Future work

A short, uncommented, list of what is planned in the versions of arabluatex to come follows:

- (a) Short-term:
 - i. Support for typesetting Arabic poetry.
 - ii. The *Qur'an*: support for typesetting the *Qur'an*.
 - iii. TEI xml support: arabluatex will interoperate with TEI xml through new global and local options that will output Arabic in a TEI xml compliant file in addition to the usual PDF output: see on page 3.
- (b) Medium-term:
 - i. More languages: the list of supported languages will eventually be the same as arabtex: see footnote 4 on page 4.
 - ii. Formulate propositions for extending the ArabTeX notation and the transliteration tables. Include them in arabluatex. See section 4.8 on page 21.

9 Implementation

The most important part of arabluatex relies on Lua functions and tables. Read the .lua files that accompany arabluatex for more information.

```

1 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
2 \ProvidesPackage{arabluatex}%
3 [2016/05/28 v1.3 ArabTeX-like interface for LuaLaTeX]
4 \RequirePackage{ifluatex}

```

arabluatex requires LuaTeX of course. Issue a warning if the document is processed with another engine.

```

5 \ifluatex\else
6 \PackageError{arabluatex}{lualatex needed}{%
7 Package `arabluatex' needs LuaTeX.\MessageBreak
8 So you should use `lualatex' to process your document.\MessageBreak
9 See documentation of `arabluatex' for further information.}%
10 \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter\csname endinput\endcsname
11 \fi

```

Declare the global options, and define them:

```

12 \DeclareOption{voc}{\def\al@mode{voc}}
13 \DeclareOption{fullvoc}{\def\al@mode{fullvoc}}
14 \DeclareOption{novoc}{\def\al@mode{novoc}}
15 \DeclareOption{trans}{\def\al@mode{trans}}
16 \ExecuteOptions{voc}
17 \ProcessOptions\relax
18 \def\al@mode@voc{voc}
19 \def\al@mode@fullvoc{fullvoc}
20 \def\al@mode@novoc{novoc}
21 \def\al@mode@trans{trans}

```

The following line will be used in the next release of arabluatex:

```
22 % \newif\ifal@mode@defined
```

Packages that are required by arabluatex:

```

23 \RequirePackage{fontspec}
24 \RequirePackage{amsmath}
25 \RequirePackage{etoolbox}
26 \RequirePackage{luacode}
27 \RequirePackage{xparse}
28 \RequirePackage{environ}

```

Here begins the real work: load arabluatex.lua:

```
29 \luadirect{dofile(kpse.find_file("arabluatex.lua"))}
```

This is needed by the current versions of polyglossia and luabidi. luabidi provides a `\Footnote` command. Use it as well if it is loaded.

```
30 \luadirect{tex.enableprimitives("luatex",tex.extraprimitives("omega"))}
```

Font setup. If no Arabic font is selected, issue a warning message and attempt to load the Amiri font which is included in \TeX live:

```

31 \AtBeginDocument{\ifdefined\arabicfont\relax\else
32 \PackageWarning{arabluatex}{\string\arabicfont\ is not defined.^^J
33 will try to load Amiri}%
34 \newfontfamily\arabicfont[Script=Arabic]{Amiri}\fi}%

```

`\setRL` This neutralizes what is defined by the same command in luabidi:

```
35 \AtBeginDocument{\def\setRL{\pardir TRT\textdir TRT}}
```

`\setLR` The same applies to `\setLR`:

```
36 \AtBeginDocument{\def\setLR{\pardir TLT\textdir TLT}}
```

`\LR` This command typesets its argument from left to right. As `\LR` may be already defined, we need to redefine for it to suit our purpose:

```

37 \AtBeginDocument{\ifdef{\LR}%
38 {\RenewDocumentCommand{\LR}{m}{\bgroup\textdir TLT\rmfamily#1\egroup}}
39 {\NewDocumentCommand{\LR}{m}{\bgroup\textdir TLT\rmfamily#1\egroup}}}

```

`\RL` This one typesets its argument from right to left. Same remark as above regarding the need of redefinition.

```
40 \AtBeginDocument{\ifdef{\RL}%
```

```

41  {\RenewDocumentCommand{\RL}{m}{\bgroup\textdir TRT\rmfamily#1\egroup}}
42  {\NewDocumentCommand{\RL}{m}{\bgroup\textdir TRT#1\rmfamily\egroup}}}

\emph Arabic emphasis. Needs to be redefined as well.
43 \AtBeginDocument{\ifdef{\aemph}%
44  {\RenewDocumentCommand{\aemph}{m}{$\overline{\text{#1}}$}}
45  {\NewDocumentCommand{\aemph}{m}{$\overline{\text{#1}}$}}}

\SetArbEasy By default, arabluatex applies complex rules to generate euphonic tašdīd, ʾalif mamdūda
\SetArbDflt and sukūn depending on the modes which are selected, either voc, fullvoc or trans.
Such refinements can be discarded with \SetArbEasy, either globally in the preamble
or at any point of the document. Default complex rules can be set back at any point of
the document with \SetArbDflt.
46 \def\al@arb@rules{dflt}
47 \NewDocumentCommand{\SetArbEasy}{}{\def\al@arb@rules{easy}}
48 \NewDocumentCommand{\SetArbDflt}{}{\def\al@arb@rules{dflt}}

\SetTranslitStyle By default any transliterated Arabic text is printed in italics. This can be changed either
globally in the preamble or at any point of the document:
49 \def\al@trans@style{\itshape}%
50 \NewDocumentCommand{\SetTranslitStyle}{m}{\def\al@trans@style{#1}}

\SetTranslitConvention \SetTranslitConvention{⟨convention⟩} may be used to change the translitera-
tion convention, which is dmg by default:
51 \def\al@trans@convention{dmg}
52 \NewDocumentCommand{\SetTranslitConvention}{m}{\def\al@trans@convention{#1}}

\arbup By default, \arbup is set to \textsuperscript. This is how the tanwīn that takes
\NoArbUp place at the end of a word should be displayed in dmg mode. \NoArbUp may be used
\ArbUpDflt either in the preamble or at any point of the document in case one wishes to have
\SetArbUp the tanwīn on the line. The default rule can be set back with \ArbUpDflt at any
point of the document. Finally \SetArbUp may be used to customize the way tan-
wīn is displayed: this command takes the formatting directives as argument, like so:
\SetArbUp{⟨code⟩}.
53 \NewDocumentCommand{\al@arbup@dflt}{m}{\textsuperscript{#1}}%
54 \NewDocumentCommand{\al@arbup}{m}{\al@arbup@dflt{#1}}
55 \NewDocumentCommand{\arbup}{m}{\al@arbup{#1}}
56 \NewDocumentCommand{\ArbUpDflt}{}{\let\al@arbup=\al@arbup@dflt}
57 \NewDocumentCommand{\NoArbUp}{}{\RenewDocumentCommand{\al@arbup}{m}{##1}}
58 \NewDocumentCommand{\SetArbUp}{m}{\RenewDocumentCommand{\al@arbup}{m}{#1}}

\cap Proper Arabic names or book titles should be passed to the command \cap so that they
have their first letters uppercased. \cap is actually coded in Lua.
59 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\cap}{m}%
60  {\luadirect{tex.sprint(cap(\luastringN{#1}))}}

\txarb \txarb sets the direction to right-to-left and selects the Arabic font. As it is supposed
to be used internally by several Lua functions, this command is not documented, but
available to the user should he wish to insert utf8 Arabic text in his document.

```

`\txtrans` `\txtrans` is used internally by several Lua functions to insert transliterated Arabic text.

```
61 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\txarb} {+m} {\bgroup\textdir
62 TRT\arabicfont#1\egroup}
63 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\txtrans} {+m} {\bgroup\textdir
64 TLT\rmfamily#1\egroup}
```

`\arb` The `\arb` command detects which Arabic mode is to be used, either globally if no option is set, or locally, then passes its argument to the appropriate Lua function.

```
65 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\arb} {O{\al@mode} +m}%
66 {\edef\@tempa{#1}%
67 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@voc%
68 \bgroup\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
69 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processvoc(\luastringN{#2},
70 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
71 \else%
72 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@fullvoc%
73 \bgroup\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
74 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processfullvoc(\luastringN{#2},
75 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
76 \else%
77 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@novoc%
78 \bgroup\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
79 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processnovoc(\luastringN{#2},
80 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
81 \else%
82 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@trans%
83 \bgroup\textdir TLT\al@trans@style%
84 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processtrans(\luastringN{#2},
85 \luastringO{\al@trans@convention},
86 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
87 \else%
88 \fi\fi\fi\fi}
```

`arab` The `arab` environment does for paragraphs the same as `\arb` does for short insertions of Arabic text.

```
89 \NewEnviron{arab}[1][\al@mode]%
90 {\par\edef\@tempa{#1}%
91 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@voc%
92 \bgroup\pdir TRT\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
93 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processvoc(\luastringO{\BODY},
94 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
95 \else%
96 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@fullvoc%
97 \bgroup\pdir TRT\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
98 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processfullvoc(\luastringO{\BODY},
99 \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
100 \else%
101 \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@novoc%
```

```

102 \bgroup\pdir TRT\textdir TRT\arabicfont%
103 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processnovoc(\luastringO{\BODY},
104   \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
105 \else \ifx\@tempa\al@mode@trans%
106 \bgroup\pdir TLT\textdir TLT\al@trans@style%
107 \luadirect{tex.sprint(processtrans(\luastringO{\BODY},
108   \luastringO{\al@trans@convention},
109   \luastringO{\al@arb@rules}))}\egroup%
110 \else \fi\fi\fi\fi][\par]

```

`\abjad` `\abjad{⟨number⟩}` expresses its argument in Arabic letters in accordance with the 'abjad arrangement of the alphabet. `⟨number⟩` must be between 1 and 1999. It is now coded in Lua so that polyglossia is no longer needed. See `arabluatex.lua` for more information.

```

111 \AtBeginDocument{%
112   \ifdefined\abjad%
113   \RenewDocumentCommand{\abjad}{m}%
114   {\luadirect{tex.sprint(abjadify(#1))}}%
115   \else%
116   \NewDocumentCommand{\abjad}{m}%
117   {\luadirect{tex.sprint(abjadify(#1))}}
118 \fi}

```

`\LRmarginpar` `\LRmarginpar` is supposed to be inserted in an Arabic environment. It typesets his argument in a marginal note from left to right.

```

119 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\LRmarginpar}{m}{\marginpar{\textdir TLT #1}}

```

`\LRfootnote` `\LRfootnote` and `\RLfootnote` are supposed to be used in Arabic environments for insertions of non Arabic text. `\LRfootnote` typesets its argument left-to-right...

`\RLfootnote` while `\RLfootnote` typesets its argument left-to-right.

```

120 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\LRfootnote}{m}{\bgroup\pdir
121   TLT\LR{\footnote{#1}}\egroup}
122 \DeclareDocumentCommand{\RLfootnote}{m}{\bgroup\pdir
123   TRT\LR{\footnote{#1}}\egroup}

```

`\FixArbFtnmk` In the preamble, just below `\usepackage{arabluatex}`, `\FixArbFtnmk` may be of some help in case the footnote numbers at the bottom of the page are printed in the wrong direction. This quick fix uses and loads `scrextend` if it is not already loaded.

```

124 \NewDocumentCommand{\FixArbFtnmk}{}{%
125   \@ifpackageloaded{scrextend}%
126   {\AtBeginDocument{\deffootnote{2em}{1.6em}{\LR{\thefootnotemark}.\enskip}}}%
127   {\RequirePackage{scrextend}}
128   \AtBeginDocument{\deffootnote{2em}{1.6em}{\LR{\thefootnotemark}.\enskip}}}

```

That is it. Say goodbye before leaving.

```

129 \endinput

```

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v1.0.1	General: Minor update of the documentation 1	v1.3	<code>\arbup: ʾrāb</code> is now written as superscript text in dmḡ mode by default. 30
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