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1. Introduction. A set of characters used by specialists in medieval European philology, palaeography, and linguistics has long been absent from the Universal Character Set. This proposal requests 21 punctuation characters be added for support of medieval European linguistic and literary research and publication. If this proposal is accepted, the following characters will be encoded:

| Y | 2E45 | PARAGRAPHUS MARK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 2E46 | POSITURA MARK |
| $\therefore$ | 2E47 | COLON WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA |
| $\cdot 7$ | 2E48 | COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK |
| $\cdots$ | 2E49 | TWO DOTS OVER COMMA |
| $\checkmark$ | 2E4A | PUNCTUS ELEVATUS MARK |
| $\checkmark$ | 2E4B | SIDEWAYS REVERSED MIDDLE COMMA |
| $\because$ | 2E4C | PUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK |
| 7 | 2E4D | PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK |
| ; | 2E4E | LOW PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK |
|  | 2E4F | PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK |
| $!$ | 2E50 | PUNCTUS EXCLAMATIVUS MARK |
| ? | 2E51 | MEDIEVAL COMMA |
|  | 2E52 | HIGH DOT |
| 7 | 2E53 | SIMPLEX DUCTUS MARK |
| $\phi$ | 2E54 | DOTTED SOLIDUS |
| - | 2E55 | SIGNE DE RENVOI |
| , | 2E56 | MIDDLE COMMA |
| $\stackrel{+}{\square}$ | 2E57 | TILDE WITH DOT ABOVE AND DOT BELOW |


| $\vdots$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\vdots$ | 2 E 58 |
| + | 2 E 59 |

2E59
TRIPLE DAGGER
2. Functions of Medieval punctuation. Modern European punctuation comprises a set of named marks which are used with relatively well-established usages. Medieval punctuation was based on discursive functions; in some areas and at some times different configurations of dots were used to express those functions. Unification of those configurations according to the functions would not really satisfy medievalists, who need to make use of the configurations in use in the documents they study in terms of the time and place of those documents. Nevertheless, the right way to establish what configurations are needed, and what configurations can be built up out of sequences of existing or new characters, is to look first at the functions the punctuation marks serve.

One of the best studies of the history of punctuation is M. B. Parkes' 1993 Pause and effect: an introduction to the history of punctuation in the West. He describes the development from the very neutral scriptio continua, in which neither punctuation nor word spacing was used, towards what we would consider more legible and meaningful text. The development of vernacular writing in Ireland was an important stage in this process: Latin letters having different phonemic values in Irish, for instance, were marked to distinguish them from their Latin uses. Syntactic punctuation innovation followed.
2.1. Paragraphus. The beginning of a paragraph, a section, a stanza, or proposition was marked with a symbol such as $\gamma, \Gamma, \Gamma, \delta$, or $\S$. Later this function was replaced by the paraph, where $/ /, \$$, or $\mathbb{T}$ were typical marks. One character is proposed for encoding here, F paragraphus mark. See Figures 1, 2, 21.
2.2. Positura. The end of a section of text was marked by a positura-the opposite of the paragraphus. A wide variety of marks came to fulfil this function: , , , ,: : : $7 ;$ and $\dot{\%}$. Some of these can be sequenced with existing characters and some cannot. Four characters are proposed for encoding here: , positura
 TWO DOTS OVER COMMA. The others can be composed:

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\cdot 7=\cdot+_{7} \quad \cdot,=\cdot+, \quad \quad \dot{\theta}=\cdot+\dot{+}+
$$

Note that the angular, POSITURA MARK is not identical to the modern comma. The origin of the modern comma was the medieval comma, for which see 2.3 below. A number of other indicators of positura came to acquire specific meanings and are discussed in 2.2.1-2.2.5 below. See Figures $3,4,5\left(_{7}\right) ; 5,6,8$ (:»); 5, 7 (:7); 5, 9 (;).
2.2.1. Punctus elevatus. This was in origin an indicator of positura (ending a section) but which came to be used to indicate a major medial pause "where the sense is complete but the meaning is not" (Parkes p. 306). It is the ancestor of our modern colon. The typical shape for this is formed of a dot with a sideways reversed middle comma above and slightly to the right of it, though a form! with a diagonal line rather than a comma can be found as a glyph variant. In the Wycliffe Bible translation, the two-part character is contrasted with a similar sign lacking the lower dot, indicating a lesser pause. Two characters, $\because$ PUNCTUS elevatus mark, and * sideways reversed middle comma, have been proposed here for encoding. See Figures 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, $16(.) ; 12,13,\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$.
2.2.2. Punctus flexus. This was in origin an indicator of positura but which came to be used to indicate a minor medial pause where the sense is incomplete. It is used after a comma (not our punctuation mark ","; see 2.3 below) or at the flexa ("the inflexion of the voice at a minor medial pause which deviates to a pitch below that adopted as the recitation tone"-Parkes p. 304). One character, 4 PUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK, has been proposed here for encoding. See Figures 7, 14, 15.
2.2.3. Punctus versus. In origin this indicated positura but came to indicate the terminatio of a psalm verse, or the completion of a sententia or periodus. Two glyphs are commonly seen for this, one with the angular positura mark with a dot over it, and the other with a sideways comma below a baseline dot. Two characters, ; PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK and ; LOW PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK have been proposed here for encoding. See Figures 7, 16 (i); 14 (.).
2.2.4. Punctus interrogativus. This originally indicated positura but came to indicate a question requiring an answer. This is the origin of the modern ? QUESTION MARK and $i$ INVERTED QUESTION MARK. The glyph for this character is sometimes angular with one to three hooks. $\sigma^{\prime}$ and is typically slanted toward the right; the vertical form we know today dates to the late 15 th century. One character, ? punctus interrogativus mark has been proposed here for encoding. A related function, the punctus percontativus, indicated a rhetorical question and is represented by $\mathrm{U}+2 \mathrm{E} 2 \mathrm{E}$ ؟ REVERSED QUESTION MARK. See Figures 7, 13, 15, 16, 18, 21.
2.2.5. Punctus exclamativus. Yet another original indicator of positura is also known as punctus admirativus. This is the origin of the modern exclamation mark and reversed exclamation mark. A glyph variant $!$ stands upright. One character, ! punctus exclamativus mark has been proposed here for encoding. See Figures 17, 18.
2.3. Comma. Functionally, the comma is "a division of a colon... usually short and rhythmically incomplete, followed by a minor disjunction of the sense where it may be necessary to pause" (Parkes p . 302). The punctuation sign which came to bear the same name was employed to show a disjunction of sense, or a minor medial pause at the end of a comma. This was the ? medieval comma proposed here. It was most commonly used by Italian scribes in the 14th century, and is the ancestor of our modern comma, whose modern form appeared in the first typefaces. See Figures 7, 19.
2.4. Distinctiones. This system of punctuation places marks at different heights in an ascending order of importance. A low point indicating a minor medial pause is called subdistinctio, a mid-height mark indicating a major medial pause is called media distinctio, and a high mark, called distinctio, indicates a final pause where the sententia or period (the thought or opinion) is finished. Distinctiones were not only represented by the height of the marks:
that ,,,, and .., should be encoded as sequences. Care should be taken in implementations not to linebreak these. Note too that $:$ : is the Georgian paragraph separator; no "generic" punctuation mark for that has been encoded. Distinctiones which are encoded according to characters at different heights are:

The first set here is encoded as full stop, raised dot, and middee dot (drawn a little low in this font; it should be the height of the high dot in the colon :). The second set is encoded as FULL STOP, MIDDLE DOT, and HIGH DOt. This last character is proposed here. See Figure 21.
2.5. Simplex ductus. This was originally a critical sign used to separate matters erroneously run together. One character, ${ }^{7}$ Simplex ductus mark has been proposed here for encoding. See Figure 22.
2.6. Virgula suspensiva. The virgula suspensiva (what we know as the / solidus) was used to mark the briefest pause or hesitation in a text. When doubled // it was an indication of paraph See 2.1 above). Humanist writers of the 14th century made a distinction whereby $t$ indicated a break greater than that indicated by / but less than that indicated by $:$ punctus elevatus mark. One character, $\not \subset$ dotted solidus has been proposed here for encoding. See Figure 23.
2.7. signe de renvoi ${ }^{\circ}$ is used to associate matter in the text with material added in the margin, and especially a passage omitted from the text by the original copyist. It was later used as a quire mark by printers. See Figure 24.
2.8. middLe comma , as a punctuation mark is used to indicate a variety of abbreviation. With long s, for instance, $\lceil$ ' is an abbreviation for sed 'but'. It is also used sequenced alongside middee dot ', as an indicator of positura. See Figure 20, 25.
2.9. TILDE WITH DOT AbOVE aND DOT bELOW $\div$ is another nota or abbreviation mark, typically indicating Latin est 'is'. There is a math operator U+223B hомотнетic, but this is not suitable for use as a nota. Compare U+2A6A $\dot{\sim}$ TILDE OPERATOR WITH DOT ABOVE and the punctuation character U+2E1E $\dot{\sim}$ TILDE wITH DOT ABOVE. There are several glyph variants for this: $\underset{\sim}{2} \div \frac{2}{}$ are common. Historically a cursive form of this is the ancestor of U+A76B 3 Latin small letter et. See Figures 6, 8, 20.
2.10. VERTICAL FIVE DOts completes the set of vertical dots in the UCS. We have U+003A : colon, U+205D $\vdots$ tricolon, U+205E $\vdots$ vertical four dots, and U+2E3D VERTICAL sIX dots. Discussion in Glasgow in July 2015 with specialists in Old Italic and North Italic indicated that five vertical dots were certainly a configuration known to be attested. They have also been attested in Runic. See Figure 26.
2.11. TRIPLE DAGGER $\ddagger$ is similar in use to $\mathrm{U}+2020 \dagger$ DAGGER and $\mathrm{U}+2021 \ddagger$ double dagGer. It indicates another level of notation. See Figures 27, 28.
3. Typography of medieval punctuation. The core definition of "generic" punctuation is based on the typical shapes and sizes of punctuation as used in the Latin, Greek, and Cyrillic traditions; Georgian may be added to this list. When such punctuation is used in other scripts, such as the scripts of India or Southeast Asia, they are often modified to suit the ductus and letterforms of those scripts, but nevertheless the core definitions are based in the habits of European typography. An examination of the height of the modern : COLON U+003A, along with the size of its dots, is perhaps the best way to compare the existing set of punctuation characters and to determine how specialist needs can be met by filling out gaps or by defining characters within the context of the set of punctuation characters already encoded in the UCS.
3.1. Low and raised punctuation. The characters U+002C, comma and U+002E . FULL stop form the basis for the system. To this are added U+2E32 ، turned comma, U+2E33 - Raised dot, U+2E34, raised comma, $\mathrm{U}+00 \mathrm{~B} 7$ middle dot, and the new characters proposed here, $\mathrm{U}+2 \mathrm{E} 46$, positura mark, and U+2E56 ' MIDDLE COMMA, and 2E4E; LOW punctus VERSUS MARK:

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\mathrm{XPD} \cdot, 6 \cdot, \cdot{ }^{9}
$$

3.2. Middle or x-height punctuation. The characters: U+003A colon and; U+003B semicolon define the basic height for most inline generic punctuation dots. Conforming to this configuration are U+204F : reversed semicolon, U+2E35 ؛ turned semicolon, : U+10FB georgian paragraph separator, U+2056 $:$ THREE DOT PUNCTUATION, U+2058 $\because$ FOUR DOT PUNCTUATION, U+2059 $\because$ FIVE DOT PUNCTUATION, U+2E2A $\because$ two dots over one dot punctuation, U+2E2B $\therefore$ one dot over dots punctuation, $\mathrm{U}+2 \mathrm{E} 2 \mathrm{C}::$ SQUARED FOUR DOT PUNCTUATION, as well as the characters proposed here, $\mathrm{U}+2 \mathrm{E} 47$ : colon WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA, U+2E48:7 COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK, U+2E49 ; Two dOts over comma, U+2E4A : PUNCTUS elevatus mark, U+2E4B ` Sideways reversed middle comma, U+2E4C ! pUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK, U+2E4D ; PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK, U+2E51 ? mEDIEVAL COMMA, and 2E57 TILDE wITH DOT AbOVE AND DOT BELOW:

3.3. High or tall punctuation. The characters U+003F? QUESTION MARK, U+0021! EXCLAMATION MARK, U+002F / SOLIDUS, U+205A. Two dot punctuation, U+205B $\because$ FOUR DOt mark, U+205D $\vdots$ tricolon, $\mathrm{U}+205 \mathrm{E}$ ! VERTICAL FOUR DOTS, and U+2E3D VERTICAL SIX DOTS all extend from baseline or just below it to caps height, as do 2 E 4 F ! punctus interrogativus mark, 2 E 50 ! punctus exclamativus mark, 2E52 high dot, 2E53 ${ }^{7}$ SIMPLEX ductus mark, 2E54 $\dagger$ DOtted solidus, 2E55 $\because$ signe de renvoi, 2E58 VERTICAL FIVE DOTS and 2E98 $=$ TRIPLE DAGGER proposed here:

4. Linebreaking. Line-breaking properties for these are suggested as follows. UTC recommendations are gladly accepted, if similarity to the ASCII characters ! or / is a problem.

Like! U+0021 exclamation mark (EX (Exclamation)): 2E4F..2E50
Like ؛ U+2E35 TURNED SEMICOLON (AL (Alphabetic)): 2E45..2E4E, 2E51..2E53, 2E55..2E59
Like / U+00B6 solidus (SY (Break_Symbols)): 2E54
5. Unicode Character Properties. Character properties are proposed here.

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2E45;PARAGRAPHUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E46;POSITURA MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E47;COLON WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E48;COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E49;TWO DOTS OVER COMMA;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E4A;PUNCTUS ELEVATUS MARK;PO;0;ON; ; ; ; ;N; ; ; ; ;
2E4B;SIDEWAYS REVERSED MIDDLE COMMA;Po;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E4C;PUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E4D;PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E4E;LOW PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK;Po;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E4F;PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E50;PUNCTUS EXCLAMATIVUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E51;MEDIEVAL COMMA;Po;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E52;HIGH DOT;PO;O;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E53;SIMPLEX DUCTUS MARK;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E54;DOTTED SOLIDUS;Po;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E55;SIGNE DE RENVOI;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E56;MIDDLE COMMA;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E57;TILDE WITH DOT ABOVE AND DOT BELOW;PO;O;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
2E58;VERTICAL FIVE DOTS;PO;0;ON; ; ; ; N; ; ; ; ;
2E59;TRIPLE DAGGER;PO;0;ON;;;;;N;;;;;
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## Examples

> Radulf'ten de witto WanteLef. Bricmar tenuit de Azor. 7 azor de Heraldo. Tẽ fe defd p. pilit . hid 7 dim'. Modo p nichilo. Thra. ē. nt.cart. In dñio. $\bar{e}$ una. 7 II . uilti. 7 iI. bord cū dim car. Ibi. .if. ferui. 7 moliñ de. xx.denar. 7 x.äc pti.
> T.R.E. 7 poft. uath.xL.fot. Modo. xxir . fot NEHA
> Ifdé Radulf teñ de Witto in Ovelei dimid hid.
> Aluuin tenuit de Azor 7 tē defd fe $\underset{\sim}{\text { p }}$ dim hida.

Figure 1. Sample from Farley 1783, showing Paragraphus mark.
Sicilix: qđ nunc Megara drul ulloc iattica ubi
optimũ mel nafcié $\&$ pofuit fpếm proyencre.
PDepafta floré. depaftã floré $h n ̃$. F Salictis
uirgulti genus eo $\varphi$ falit $\&<$ furgit censalictü
ubi funt multæ falices. . Sxpe fufurro leui dul
ci murmur hic nocat perficũ ad dulcia $\bar{q}$ fũt in
reb" quibus delecta ("S)nü inire.i. dormire.
Frodator.i.ruftic welaial gd frōdib" uelcié
res ãputat \& frōdibus manipulos facit hyemis
tpe aialib" ad paftar offerédos: $x q$ manibus ui
tiñ folia auellit quo ardor folis uuă maturioré
reddataut auis $\bar{q}$ i frödib" hitat: $\&$ his uefciť
uel č pa ïbes $\bar{q} 1$ frödib" nidificant. Ad auras
fed multorã auctoritas latinum facit. F Cicero
ielegia $\bar{q}$ thalemaftis fcribic̄. lā mar̃ tyrrhenũ
Hybla
Salictis
Fronda
tor
Gemer
lõge péitufar ralãbes. Relict. F Gemer̃:cắre:

Figure 2. Sample from Virgile 1509, showing paragraphus mark.


Figure 3. Sample from Parkes 1993:202, showing POSITURA MARK sequenced after FULL STOP.

> Guintumpronosishocestpropacecatholica agant esquaet amquamé xauctopitate Bemucyprinniaduersusnosapartedonati proferquntun etquantuonsintaduer suseß aquibusproperuntuk:adiquantedNödemon Trazeproposinf iquareromeresponden dinecessitaseaquaciaminalusligris posup Ruksuscommenorarecocgert juamqux ismodicepaciambisquiamillalecer runt ettenentonerosumes se nonbe ìerquaret ea quatinstructionisunt neces saraxisxpopohteinsthuaretardioribus.etcumen aesmalziphcizeruariequeveksantukadq. T́metanzusipsosquoquecapacioreintelle. cgentiapraedmosamuanteradachizate sciendretadropiamais serenn mounetia quemanoinarumsoleazcontris tarelectore

QUANTUM PRO NOBIS HOC EST PRO PACE CATHOLICA | FACIANT EA QUAE TAMQUAM EX AUCTORITATE | BEATI CYPRIANI ADUERSUS NOS A PARTE DONATI | PROFERUNTUR ET QUANTUM SINT ADUERSUS EOS |A QUIBUS PROFERUNTUR OIU ANTE DOMINO DEMONS|TRARE PROPO(UI S ) QUA ERGO ME RESPONDEN|DI NECESSITASE QUAE IAM IN ALIIS LIBRIS POSUI | RURSUS COMMEMORARE COEGERIT QUAMQUAM I ID MODICE FACIAM HIS QUI IAM ILLA LEGERUNT |

How much those arguments lend support to us that is to universal peace which are cited as though on the authority of the blessed Cyprian on the side of Donatus against us and how much they are against those by whom the are cited • I propose to demonstrate with the help of the Lprd ${ }_{7}$ If herefore the necessity of responding compels me to goove again those arguments which I have already set down in other books • although I shall do so as little as possible for those

ET TENENT ONEROSUM ESSE NON DEBET QUIA ET I EA QUAE INSTRUCTIONI SUNT NECESSARIA SAEPIUS | OPORTET INSINUARE TARDIORIBUS • ET CUM EA|DEM MULTIPLICITER UARIEQUE UERSANTUR ADQUE | TRACTANTUR • IPSOS QUOQUE CAPACIORE INTELLE|GENTIA PRAEDITOS ADIUUANT ET AD FACKITATEM | SCIENDI ET AD COPIAM DISSEREI DI, NOUI ETIAM । QUEM AD MODUM SOLEAT CONTBISTARE LECTOREM
who have already read them and hold to them it ought not to be burdensome since not only must those things which are necessary for instruction be instilled often into those who are rather slow • but when those same things are turned over and treated in many and various ways - they also help those endowed with more capacious unders andmy both to learn with facility and to discourse with fluu ney, Fgr I know how much it discourages a reader $\mid \ldots$

Figure 4. Sample from Parkes 1993:242, showing pOsitura mark written at the ends of the discursive periods; the middle dot is used at the ends of the discursive cola.


Figure 5. Description of various positurae from Parkes 1993, showing POSITURA MARK, COLON WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA, COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK, and TWO DOTS OVER COMMA.


Figure 6. Sample from O’Neill 1984:64, showing tilde with dot above and dot below and colon with sideways reversed raised comma. The text reads:
Uenice benedicti pacnir mei I porridece neznū att $q$ uobir panacum I
$\dot{\sim}$ ab onizine mundi • att đlō • uenize I $\dot{\dagger}$ enat • uenize.;, móel cáich rcniplric
Venite benedicti patris mei possidete regnum alleluia quod vobis paratum est ab origine mundi • alleluia gloria $\cdot$ venite sicut erat • venite.;, móel cáich scripsit
'Come ye blessed of my Father take possession of the Kingdom alleluia prepared for you from the foundation of the world alleluia glory be • come As it was • Come.;. Móel Cáich wrote this.'

Signos de puntuación en textos españoles
Los signos de puntuación en códices y documentos españoles de la Edad Media es muy irregular. Agustin Millares Carlo, uno de los más rigurosos especialistas en escritura visigótica, afirmó que «los signos en códices y documentos de escritura visigótica pertenecen a más de un sistema y su equivalencia respecto a los actuales no se deja/ pre ligayy 2 . Los signos son éstos:

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\bullet ;:.: :: \because :. !?! ; s़:%
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A partir del siglo xii y en textos en escritura carolingia se empezó a regularizar el sistema de puntuación con notable mengua de los signos: casi en exclusiva se utilizaron para indicar las pausas el punto (.) en línea de escritura, y el punto con virgula sobrepuesta (.); la pausa final se indicó con un signo formado asi: $\therefore$ : ,

En los documentos escritos en castellano en la baja Edad Media, la puntuación es muy irregular, adoptándose rayas y curvas acompañadas de puntos a veces para señalar y no con exactitud los periodos.
Figure 7. Sample from Núñez Contreras 1994 showing punctus versus mark, PUNCTUS ELEVATUS MARK, MEDIEVAL COMMA, PUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK, PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK, and COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK.
tibpum rinua - -
, Situenatuibenedictiethetareicumonal

 apnumo cpedandrainpopte onnunitur ef
, Cerun carission etgratissionusbinnalay.
, uberreiusinebirlentiteonnitenpore.
, ininore eius delectare ingitere;
> SIT UENA TUA BENEDICTA ET LA CTARE CUM
> MULI//ERE ADULESCENTIAE TUAE : ~ Sit doctrina tua . et quicumque nascuntur e ea ben dicti|one ecclesiae . et laetare cum ea cui abadule centia d est | a primo credendi tempore coniunctus es:- )
> CERUA CARISSIMA ET GRATISSMU HINNU-
> LUS. | UBERA EIUS INEBRIENT TE OMNI TEM-
> PORE | IN AMORE EIUS DELECTARE IUGI-
$>$ TER SN:-
$>$ LET YOUR FOUNTAINS BE BLESSED AND
> REJOICE WITH THE WIFE OF YOUR YOUT H : Let your teaching . and whoever is born from it be tho blessing of the church . and rejoice with her to whom from youth th t is flpm the first time of believing you have been joined : ~
$>$ AS A MOST BELO ED HIND AND A MOST PLEA-
> SANT DOE LET HER BREASTS INEBRIATE
> YOU AT ALL TIMES DELIGHT CONTINUALLY
$>$ IN HER LOVE S* :

Cerua carissima siue grauissima ut quidam codices habent. sancta est ecclesia. quae serpentinam solet odio habere et conterere doctrinam . gratissimus hinnullus populus est eius uirtutum uarietate delectabilis | et eadem castae fidei semper aemulatione succensus . | Cuius uberibus inebriamur. Cum utriusque testamenti | paginis contra hereticorum fraudes instruimur. | Cuius pace et amore iugiter delectari magna est | exercendarum occasio uirtutum :-

The most beloved or as certain manuscripts have venerable hind. is holy church. which is accustomed to hate and crush the teachings of the serpent. the most pleasant doe is her people pleasing by variety of virtues . and always kindled by the same emulation of her chaste faith . By whose breasts we are inebriated. when by the pages of both testaments we are instructed against the deceptions of heretics . by whose peace and love to be continually captivated is a great occasion of exercising virtues : -

Figure 8. Sample from Parkes 1993: showing COLON WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA and TILDE WITH DOT AbOVE AND DOT BELOW. In the manuscript the glyph variant $; \sim$ is shown for $: \sim$.

## Beneventan

(a) quăre ;, quild hoc fecisti $\cdot$, unde estis -,
(b) sic respondes pontifici $;$, nûmquid reppulit dominus populum súum ;,

Figure 9. Sample from Loew 1914:253, showing two dots over Comma. Loew describes it as "the Beneventan period" (p. 269).

## IN Cestretone hD.

In Cotehä . ten Roger de Picot v vhiđ. Tra . $\overline{\text { e }}$. III . car. In dñio. ē una * 7 alia pot fieri . Ibi , vı , uithi cū , vini, cot

 Hanc trä tenuer̈. Imi, fochi. Hoz un hō $\$$ Edeld tenuit
Figure 10. Sample from Farley 1783, showing punctus elevatus mark.

alle pinges | louie | and worssipie | alzuo pe tekp | pis uers here . C pe oper 1)e oper heste | ỳs pelh nou ne ssclt nime godes nar e : godes heste. in ýdel. pet is to zig ge : bou ne sselt zuerie / uor na3t aod wýp ou-

Figure 11. Sample from Wright 1960:12, showing punctus elevatus mark.


## Wycliffite Bible.-About A.D. 1382

(fore pe lord / and be sonys off aaron be prest | sholen offre be blood off hit . shedynge by |envyron of pe auter . rat is byfore pe do re of pe tabernacle / and pe skyn of pe hoost | drawyn off - Je grete lemys pei sholen kyt|te in gobetes, and pei sholen ley fuyr in pe | auter * made byfore pe heep of woode. and | pe lemes pat ben kut above ordeynynge / | pe heed pat is . and al pat clevyn to pe ma'we: Je entrailes and pe feet wasche wip I water / ant pe prest shal brenne hem upon pe auter into al brente sacrifice and sweete smul | to pe lord zif of pe beestes is 'pe' offrynge | |e al brent sacrifice of sheep or of ge shal offre a loomp of o zeer. wipoute | wem and he shal offre at sv. of pe | auter pat byholdep to pe norpe: byfore | pe lord / pe blood forsope of hit pe sonys | of aaron sholen helden opon pe auter: by | envyron / and pei sholle dyvyden lemes | pe heed and al pat cleven to pe mawe: and leye opon pe wog e- pe whiche fuyr is to be underput. Je entrailes forsope and pe / fe be sholen whasche wip water and pe | prest shal bremne alle pynges offred opon | pe auter in to brent sacrifise and most sweet | smul to pe lord / ;if forsope off pe briddes | pe offrynge of brent sacrifice were to pe | lord of turtris or colvyr briddys : pe prest)

Figure 12. Sample of Wycliffe Bible text from Thompson 1912 showing punctus elevatus mark and SIDEWAYS REVERSED MIDDLE COMMA.
 a' diletho. Ei torroun dih grifeorracorridindidger: qua dicam. drerteon audoo dicerte ecméreribzes,

 neq.ecequacorimmundoj, fiquer dillocerre mundum mon Eexprar parviriniléáquiccomnice quaetrin mundo defiderum coernis ee.Adenderní oculoruer


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\text { St. Avgustine.-A.D. } 823
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sic et vos maneatis in eternum: quia talis est quisque qualis | eius devio .
est; Terram diligis: terra eris; deum diligis: quid dicam • deus efis? Non est ; Terram diligis: terra eris; deum diligis: | quid dicam • deus e)(is? Non audeo dicere ex me: scribturas? | audiamus: qooxici dii estis et fill ancelsi omnes; si ergo | vultis esse dii et filii altissi ni n lite diligere mundum. neque ea qyent in mundo - si quis dilexemundum | non est caritas patris in i lo:- quia omnia quae sunt in | mundo desiderium carnis est . et desiderium mundo est .)

Figure 13. Sample of Augustinian text from Thompson 1912 showing punctus elevatus mark and SIDEWAYS REVERSED MIDDLE COMMA. Also in the manuscript is the Punctus interrogativus mark though in the transcription the QUESTION MARK has been used.

> Contritio et infelicitas in uiis eorum 4 et uiam pacis non cognouerunt : non est timor dei ante oculos eorum

Figure 14. Sample from Parkes 1993: showing punctus flexus mark, punctus elevatus mark, and LOW PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK.
 exhaurime.n'bomitopib; agere-ne obruart peccate 9 mendo 1 etumando - buendo-1gnof cender 1ur aucé hurrcti moletties. lenui ëtrompataomb;-Inreb; pipine groulã:ín

hold.$\quad$ but by seeping in for a long time and not draining away it sinks the ship. What to ain . if not to do good works. lest sir over yelm us 4 ) y sighing
giving . forgivilg. T) e way (thi world is irks
giving forgiving $\quad \checkmark$ T) e way thi world is irkso ne. $\quad$ it i)
filled with temp
Figure 15. Sample from Parkes 1993: showing punctus flexus mark, punctus interrogativus mark, and punctus elevatus mark.


Quid si uberius de bonorum parte sumpsisti . $\mid$ Quid si tota bescas . et intra | commune omnibus regnum locatus a te non discessi. Quid si hec psa mei mutabilitas . iusta Proprio uiuere | iure desideres .;-

Si quantas rapidis flatibus incitus .
Pontus uersat harenas :
Aut quot stelliferis edita noctibus
Celo sidera fulgent
Tantas fundat oes. Mc retrahat manum
Pleno copia co
Humanum misas as ideo genus
Cesset flere quere

What if it turns out that you had a more generous share of Notwithstanding you eat your heart out and situated good things. What if it turns out that I have not wholly cut within a realm common to all . You should desire to live myself off from you . What if it turns out that this according to a law of your own .;. mutability of mine . gives you just cause for better ho

If plenty with her abundant horn
Did not withhold her hand . and distributed as many treasures
As the sea churns up grains of sand
Stirred by rapid gusts .
Or as the stars that shine in the
Produced by star-bearing ni
The human race would not on
Cease to wail its wretched compla $n$ nts;
Figure 16. Sample from Parkes 1993:293, showing punctus interrogativus mark, punctus elevatus MARK, and PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK.

Il nous faut maintenant compléter l'exposé de Barzizza en signalant ses principales omissions.

J'ai déjà noté l'absence du point d'exclamation (punctus admirativus); il était, il est vrai, d'introduction toute récente, puisque le plus ancien exemple actuellement connu figure dans un manuscrit copié peu avant sa mort (1406) par Coluccio Salutati qui en fut peut-être l'inventeur; ce signe se présentait ain(is

Figure 17. Sample from Ouy 1987, showing punctus exclamativus mark.









... Ego temet o aips medicos / obtesto et rogo / respon-
dete michi precor's qud | sibi uult permixta medicaminum
multitudo / nis quia pe-scitis / quod magis proprie prodesse
possit./ et quoniam uobis occurrat/| multa quandoque perfi-
cere / quod in unjas aixtute nequeas repe-|rire. Sed quid
multitudinem arguo. ${ }^{\prime}$ Quid respondebitis/ | cum medica-
mina uestra de caldis in irigida/et denique de contra|riis in
contraria commutatis. Nonne satis patet/ uos non ut
scientia/sed potius coniectura . Et ut ad prognostica ueni-
. . . I earnestly entreat you and other doctors/ please reply to
me.' What's the purpose of this scrambled multitude of medi-
cines/ but that you are ignorant/ of what is most specifically
efficacious. ${ }^{\prime}$ and that you find/ that many medicines often
achieve/ what you cannot hit upon in the properties of one.
But why should I assail your large numbers. What will you
reply/ when you alter your treatment from hot to cold/ and
from one thing to its opposite. $/$ Isn't it sufficiently clear/ that
you employ not knowledge/ but rather conjecture. Now

Figure 18. Sample from Parkes 1993, showing punctus exclamativus mark and PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK.
ngar. Ganga xv. folc vp aland po er Ifogn v́t vin. pvivn
dır. ligia her ıgrindom fyr gnipa lvndı brım dýr blá fvóat oc bvin
gvllı. par er miclo meft mengı beira mvna nv helgı hıozping
fpanشheıðı. Meln $r$ oc myln $r$ t $t l$. myrc vipar latıp engı $Y$ an

Figure 19. Sample from Guðvarður Már Gunnlaugsson 2001, showing MEDIEval COMMA.
of Seville. An examination of the abbreviations of Monte Cassino 205 saec. xi suffices to convince us that many of them are not of the traditional Beneventanstock. The constant use of symboly like $H=$ enim, $7=e(\div$ est, $\mathrm{h}=$ hoc, $\cdot 1=i d$ est, $q=q u o(f, f$ sed, $f=$ secundum and of the form nōe $=$ nomine speaks forlnsular influence. By a fortunate coincidence the Insular origin of the archetype can be attested by other means.
Figure 20. Sample from Loew 1914, showing LONG s followed by middle comma with the reading sed 'but', and showing tilde with dot above and dot below with the reading est. Apart from the symbol for enim, the other characters here have been encoded or can be composed. For enim, it is a bit of a question what is to be represented. Forms with middle dot $\cdot n \cdot$ occur, and in some hands an N or N can look like what is shown in the sample above. See Cappelli pp. 229-230.

A character for enim is not requested in this proposal.


At multi its suns inbecilli senses ．ut nullum of ficii aut omnino vitae munus exequi possint
At id quidem non proprium senectutis uitium est ．se com－ mane ualitudinis
Quad fuit inbecillus P．africanus filius is quit te adoptauit guam tenui aus nola potius ul $\ulcorner i\urcorner$ tudine．$/$
Quod ni it fuisset ．alterum illud extitisset lumen ciuit dis •
Ad paternam anim magnitudinem ．animi doctrina ubecior accesserat ${ }^{\text { }}$
Quid mirum igitur in senibus si infirmi sins al
cum id ne adulescentes quidem effugere possie
RESISTENDUM LAELI ET SCIPIO SENECTU｜｜

Yet many old men are so feeble that they can perform no function that duty or indeed life demands．
But that failing is not peculiar to old age ．it is a general characteristic of ill health
How weak was the son of P．Africans who adopted you． what feeble health he had or rather no health at all ．
Were it not for this．ne wold have stood out as the second luminary of the st te
For to his father＇s greases．he had added a more abundant instruction of the intellect
What wonder therefore in old men if they are weak some times．when even the young cannot escape it
Figure 21．Sample from Parker 1993 showing HIGH DOt，PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK and PARAGRAPHUS MARK．






A TUM TEMPORIS MIMI PUNCTUM AD HAND REM EST ${ }^{7}{ }^{\text {ER US ADEST }}{ }^{7} \Gamma$ QUID ILLUC MAL〈IST〉
A 〈QU〉OD CUM AUDIERIT ${ }^{7}$ QUOD EIUS REMEDIUM INUENIAM IRACUNDIAE ${ }^{7}$
＜L $\ O Q U A R N E ~{ }^{7}$ INCENDIAM $^{7}$ TACEAM ${ }^{7}$ INSTIGEM $^{7}$ PURGEM ME ${ }^{7}$ LATEREM LAVE ${ }^{7}$
HE ME MISERUM ${ }^{\dagger}$ CUM MIMI PAURO TUM ANTIPHO ME EXCRUCIAT ANIMI ${ }^{\gamma}$
$\langle E\rangle$ IUS $^{(2)}$ ME MISERET $^{7}$ AI NUNS TIME ${ }^{7}$ IS NUNS ME RETINET ${ }^{7}$ NAM ABSQUE ES ASSET ${ }^{7}$
A There＇s only a moment for this business ${ }^{7}$ the governor is here ${ }^{7} \Gamma$ What＇s the matter there ${ }^{7}$
A When he hears ${ }^{7}$ what charm shall I find against his temper ${ }^{7}$
Tell him ${ }^{7}$ That will spark him off ${ }^{7}$ Say nothing ${ }^{7}$ That will stir him up ${ }^{7}$ Come clean ${ }^{7}$ Might as well fish in the air ${ }^{7}$ Oh what a wretch I am ${ }^{7} I^{\prime} m$ not scared just for myself ${ }^{7}$ Antipho torments my mind also ${ }^{7}$
It＇s him I＇m sorry for ${ }^{7}$ him I＇m now scared for ${ }^{7}$ He＇s the one that keeps me here ${ }^{7}$ for without him ${ }^{7}$
Figure 22．Sample from Parks 1993：164，showing many examples of SIMPLEX ductus mark．

By contrast Petrarch used the pointed virgula where an interpolated statement has a different relationship to other statements in the immediate context:

Numquam tam iuuenis / numquamque tam glorie cupidus / wi / qq) od interdum me fuisse non inficior. quin maluerim bonus esse quad doctus . ${ }^{95}$
Never so young / and never so greedy for fame / have I be n / I o not deny having been that occasionally. but that I have chosen to be good rather than learned.

Figure 23. Sample from Parkes 1993, showing dotted solidus.

## signe de renvoi

Any sign used to associate matter in the text with materrial added in the margin, and especially a passage omitted from the text by the original copyist. $\because$ was a sign used by printers.

Figure 24. Sample from Parker 1993, showing SIGNE DE RENVOI.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { coperfunt. * cumiUlirsenmlizeyoconutserunz•cí } \\
& \text { Adhuc udronnatizur qumeneruancymnt. Iicommu } \\
& \text { nionempsiernm quiderobneruandum rit. } \\
& \text { Siconitiuio fold dentalium. Qfgerfinnmo Luturfuft }
\end{aligned}
$$

Ass idolum dodoreumernme. wwhonserderfutforn

## Theological Tracts.-a.d. 821

(capt sunt • et cum illis gentiliter convixerunt cum | adhuc ad romanian iuvenes venerint - si commulnionem petierint quid dis observandum sit. Si convivio solo gentilium • et escis immolaticis usi | suns possunt ieiuniis et manas inpositione purgari - ut ciejceps idolaticis abstinentes . sacrament torum christi possint esse particip (s ., S) autem | ant idolum adoraverunt • ant homicidiis vel fornicationibus convent i cunt ad communionem)
Figure 25. Sample from Thompson 1912:408, showing middle comma alongside middle dot.


Description
The intended rune-forms of the inscription are interpreted as follows:

Figure 26. Sample from Owen and McKinnell showing vertical four dots and vertical five dots.


Figure 27. Sample showing $\ddagger$ TRIPLE DAGGER (circled) alongside $\dagger$ DAGGER and $\ddagger$ DOUbLE DAGGER. Also shown in the last line is the ? punctus interrogativus mark.

Priv-Councel-Board. He admitted none thrther, but a contpany of porre fimple Fillhermen. Thofe were his $\ddagger$ Fricids, to whom he did communicate and impart his cozncels and ficrets. As $\$$ Abrabam beii g the $\dagger$ Friend of God, God faud be wac:id bide rothing from him. No, nor fromany of bis true-bred fied. \# The fecret of the Lord is wuth them that feare bsm; and be trall/ shcut thion
 in Bablon: or exiles from the urorddas $\ddagger$ Iobmin the llc of Patiomus; or ficch as live fub Dio, in the widdermefe, as lobin Buptift: or $\ddagger$ Reo, s. - ".......ners tharchr Cottage, orio, to whom the Lord

Figure 28. Sample showing $\ddagger$ TRIPLE DAGGER alongside $\dagger$ DAGGER and $\ddagger$ DOUBLE DAGGER.
Also shown are other signs of notation, ${ }^{*}$ ASTERISK and $\S$ SECTION SIGN.

|  | 2E0 | 2E1 | 2E2 | 2E3 | 2E4 | 2E5 | 2E6 | 2E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $\Gamma$ | $7$ | $f_{2 \in 20}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 2 \in 30 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{=} \\ 2 \in 40 \end{gathered}$ | $2 \mathrm{E} 50$ |  |  |
| 1 | 2001 | ${ }_{2 E 11}$ | $\underset{2 E 21}{f}$ | 2E31 | $\stackrel{e}{2 E 41}$ | $\stackrel{\text { ? }}{\text { ? }}$ |  |  |
| 2 | 「 <br> 2E02 | 2E12 | 「 <br> 2E22 | $2 E 32$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ce } \\ \text { 2E42 } \end{gathered}$ | 2 E 2 |  |  |
| 3 | 1 <br> 2E03 | $\%$ | 1 <br> 2E23 | 2E33 | 2E43 | 7 <br> 2E53 |  |  |
| 4 | f. <br> 2E04 | ${ }_{2 \in 14}^{\ell}$ | $\underset{2 \in 24}{\mathbf{L}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \boldsymbol{9} \\ 2 E 34 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 2E44 | $\phi$ <br> 2E54 |  |  |
| 5 | －） <br> 2005 | $\underset{2 \in 15}{\lambda}$ | $\underset{2 E 25}{\text { 】 }}$ |  | $\underset{e_{2}^{2} 45}{\Gamma}$ | $2 E 55$ |  |  |
| 6 | 2E06 | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{8} \\ & 2 \mathrm{E} 16 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{2 \in 26}$ | $\underset{2 \in 36}{7}$ | $\underset{2 \in 46}{7}$ | 2E56 |  |  |
| 7 | $\mathrm{T}$ <br> 2E07 | $\begin{gathered} \overline{2} \\ 2 \in 17 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{2 E 27}{\square}$ | $\vdash_{2 \in 37}$ | $2 E 47$ |  |  |  |
| 8 | 5 <br> 2E08 | $\underset{2 \in 18}{\dot{\boldsymbol{j}}}$ | $\underset{2 E 28}{()_{2}}$ | $\neq$ $2 E 38$ | $7$ $2 E 48$ | $2 E 58$ |  |  |
| 9 | $S$ <br> 2E09 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 些 } \\ & \text { 2E19 } \end{aligned}$ | $)_{2 \in 29}$ | $\delta$ <br> $2 E 39$ | $\underset{\text { 2E49 }}{\boldsymbol{g}}$ | $\underset{\text { te59 }}{ \pm}$ |  |  |
| A | $2$ <br> 2EOA | $2 E 1 \mathrm{~A}$ | 2E2A | $\frac{[-2 \mathrm{M}}{2 \mathrm{ze3A}}$ | $\stackrel{\square}{\bullet}$ |  |  |  |
| B |  | $\stackrel{\circ}{\sim}$ | 2E2B |  | 2 24B |  |  |  |
| C | $2 E O C$ | $\underset{2 E 1 C}{ }$ | 2E2C | $2 E 3 C$ | $\underset{2 E 4 C}{u}$ |  |  |  |
| D | 2EOD | ${ }_{2 \in 10}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \because \cdot \\ & \text { 2E2D } \end{aligned}$ | 2E3D | $\underset{\text { 2E4D }}{\boldsymbol{7}}$ |  |  |  |
| E | $\frac{\frac{\dot{ᅳ}}{\overline{0}}}{\underset{\substack{\overline{0}}}{\substack{2 E O E}}}$ | 2E1E | $\stackrel{C}{C E 2 E}$ | $\underset{\text { 2 }}{\substack{\xi \\ \xi}}$ | $\underset{2 \in 4 E}{\dot{2}}$ |  |  |  |
| F | 2EOF | $\begin{gathered} \sim \\ 2 E 1 F \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $2 E 2 F$ | $\mathbb{H}$ $2 E 3 F$ | $\begin{gathered} ? \\ 2 \in 4 F \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |

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New Testament editorial symbols
2E00 「 RIGHT ANGLE SUBSTITUTION MARKER
$\rightarrow 231 C\ulcorner$ top left corner
2E01 $\quad$ ．RIGHT ANGLE DOTTED SUBSTITUTION MARKER
2E02 r LEFT SUBSTITUTION BRACKET
2E03 $\quad$ RIGHT SUBSTITUTION BRACKET
2E04 $\quad$ ．LEFT DOTTED SUBSTITUTION BRACKET
2E05 $\rightarrow$ RIGHT DOTTED SUBSTITUTION BRACKET
2E06 T RAISED INTERPOLATION MARKER
$\rightarrow$ 22A4 T down tack
2E07 $\quad$ T RAISED DOTTED INTERPOLATION MARKER
2E08 s DOTTED TRANSPOSITION MARKER
2E09 s LEFT TRANSPOSITION BRACKET
2EOA ${ }^{2}$ RIGHT TRANSPOSITION BRACKET
2E0B $\square$ RAISED SQUARE
－used as an opening raised omission bracket
2E0C \ LEFT RAISED OMISSION BRACKET
－used as an opening or closing raised omission bracket
2EOD／RIGHT RAISED OMISSION BRACKET
－used as a closing or opening raised omission bracket

## Ancient Greek textual symbols

2E0E $\stackrel{\underline{\bar{亏}}}{\overline{\bar{j}}}$ EDITORIAL CORONIS
$\rightarrow$ 1FBD ${ }^{\prime}$ greek koronis
2EOF－PARAGRAPHOS
2E10－FORKED PARAGRAPHOS
2E11－REVERSED FORKED PARAGRAPHOS
2E12～HYPODIASTOLE
＝ypodiastoli
2 E13 $\%$ DOTTED OBELOS
－glyph variants may look like＇$\div$＇or＇- ＇
$\rightarrow 2052 \%$ commercial minus sign
2E14 $\downarrow$ DOWNWARDS ANCORA
－contrary to its formal name this symbol points upwards
2E15 $\lambda$ UPWARDS ANCORA
－contrary to its formal name this symbol points downwards
2E16 $\rightarrow$ DOTTED RIGHT－POINTING ANGLE
$=$ diple periestigmene

## Ancient Near－Eastern linguistic symbol

2E17＝DOUBLE OBLIQUE HYPHEN
－used in ancient Near－Eastern linguistics
－hyphen in Fraktur text uses 002D－or 2010 －， but with a＇$=$＇glyph in Fraktur fonts
$\rightarrow$ 002D－hyphen－minus
$\rightarrow$ 003D $=$ equals sign
$\rightarrow 2010$－hyphen
$\rightarrow 2$ E40 $=$ double hyphen

## General punctuation

2E18 i．INVERTED INTERROBANG
$=$ gnaborretni
$\rightarrow$ 203D ？interrobang
2E19 PALM BRANCH
－used as a separator

## Dictionary punctuation

These punctuation marks are used mostly in German dictionaries，to indicate umlaut or case changes with abbreviated stems．
2E1A $\quad$ HYPHEN WITH DIAERESIS
－indicates umlaut of the stem vowel of a plural form
2E1B $\sim$ TILDE WITH RING ABOVE
－indicates change in case for derived form

## Brackets

2E1C ，LEFT LOW PARAPHRASE BRACKET
2E1D ，RIGHT LOW PARAPHRASE BRACKET

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\bullet \text { used in N'Ko }
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## Dictionary punctuation

2E1E $\dot{\sim}$ TILDE WITH DOT ABOVE －indicates derived form changes to uppercase
2E1F $\sim$ TILDE WITH DOT BELOW －indicates derived form changes to lowercase

## Brackets

2E20｜LEFT VERTICAL BAR WITH QUILL
2E21－RIGHT VERTICAL BAR WITH QUILL

## Half brackets

These form a set of four corner brackets and are used editorially．They are distinguished from mathematical floor and ceiling characters．Occasionally quine corners are substituted for half brackets．
2E22 r TOP LEFT HALF BRACKET
$\rightarrow 2308$ 「 left ceiling
$\rightarrow$ 231C $\ulcorner$ top left corner
$\rightarrow$ 300C 「 left corner bracket
2E23 1 TOP RIGHT HALF BRACKET
2E24 $\quad$ BOTTOM LEFT HALF BRACKET
2E25 」 BOTTOM RIGHT HALF BRACKET
Brackets
2E26 $\subset$ LEFT SIDEWAYS U BRACKET
$\rightarrow 2282 \subset$ subset of
2E27 $\supset$ RIGHT SIDEWAYS U BRACKET
$\rightarrow 2283$ つ superset of
2E28（）LEFT DOUBLE PARENTHESIS
$\rightarrow 2985$（ left white parenthesis
$\rightarrow$ FF5F fullwidth left white parenthesis
2E29 ））RIGHT DOUBLE PARENTHESIS

## Historic punctuation

2E2A $\quad \because \quad$ TWO DOTS OVER ONE DOT PUNCTUATION
2E2B $\quad \therefore$ ONE DOT OVER TWO DOTS PUNCTUATION
2E2C ：：SQUARED FOUR DOT PUNCTUATION
2E2D ：F FIVE DOT MARK
2E2E 〔 REVERSED QUESTION MARK
$=$ punctus percontativus
$\rightarrow 003 \mathrm{~F}$ ？question mark
$\rightarrow$ 00BF i inverted question mark
$\rightarrow 061 \mathrm{~F}$ 〔 arabic question mark
VERTICAL TILDE
－used for Cyrillic yerik
$\rightarrow$ 033E combining vertical tilde
$\rightarrow$ A67F ${ }^{4}$ cyrillic payerok

RING POINT
－used in Avestan
$\rightarrow 2218$ 。 ring operator
$\rightarrow 25 \mathrm{E} 6 \circ$ white bullet
2E31 • WORD SEPARATOR MIDDLE DOT
－used in Avestan，Samaritan，．．．
$\rightarrow$ 00B7 • middle dot

## Palaeotype transliteration symbol

2E32 ، TURNED COMMA
－indicates nasalization
$\rightarrow$ 060C ، arabic comma
Historic punctuation
2E33
－RAISED DOT
－glyph position intermediate between 002E ． and 00B7．
$\rightarrow$ 002E ．full stop
$\rightarrow$ 00B7 • middle dot
2E34 ，RAISED COMMA
$\rightarrow 002 \mathrm{C}$ ，comma
Palaeotype transliteration symbols
2E35 ؛ TURNED SEMICOLON
－indicates sudden glottal closure
$\rightarrow$ 061B $؛$ arabic semicolon
2E36 $\dagger$ DAGGER WITH LEFT GUARD
－indicates retracted pronunciation
$2 E 37 \quad$ DAGGER WITH RIGHT GUARD
－indicates advanced pronunciation
2E38 + TURNED DAGGER
－indicates retroflex pronunciation
$\rightarrow 2020 \dagger$ dagger
2E39 \＆TOP HALF SECTION SIGN
－indicates pronunciation on one side of the mouth only
$\rightarrow$ 00A7 § section sign

## Dashes

2E3A TWO－EM DASH
$=$ omission dash
$\rightarrow 2014$－em dash
2E3B THREE－EM DASH

> Alternate forms of punctuation
> 2E3C * STENOGRAPHIC FULL STOP
> - used in shorthands and stenographies
> $\rightarrow$ 002E . full stop
> $\rightarrow 166 \mathrm{E} \times$ canadian syllabics full stop
> 2E3D $\quad$ : VERTICAL SIX DOTS
> $\rightarrow$ 205E $\vdots$ vertical four dots
> $\rightarrow 2999$ : dotted fence
> 2E3E $\xi$ WIGGLY VERTICAL LINE
> $\rightarrow 2307$ \} wavy line
> $\rightarrow$ 299A 立 vertical zigzag line

Historic punctuation
2E3F \＃CAPITULUM
－ancestor of the pilcrow sign
$\rightarrow 00 \mathrm{~B} 6$ ब pilcrow sign

## Double hyphen

The double hyphen is used in transcription of old German manuscripts，and occasionally as a non－standard punctuation mark．It is not intended for the representation of normal hyphens，whose doubled forms in Fraktur text are considered glyphic variants．
2E40＝DOUBLE HYPHEN
$\rightarrow$ 003D $=$ equals sign
$\rightarrow 2010$－hyphen
$\rightarrow 2 \mathrm{E} 17=$ double oblique hyphen
$\rightarrow 30 \mathrm{AO}=$ katakana－hiragana double hyphen
$\rightarrow A 78 A=$ modifier letter short equals sign

## Reversed punctuation

2E41 ．REVERSED COMMA
$\rightarrow$ 002C ，comma
$\rightarrow$ 060C ، arabic comma
2E42 ce DOUBLE LOW－REVERSED－9 QUOTATION MARK $\rightarrow$ 201E ，double low－9 quotation mark
Punctuation marks
2E43 ־ DASH WITH LEFT UPTURN
2E44 ：DOUBLE SUSPENSION MARK

## Medieval punctuation

2E45 $\quad$ F PARAGRAPHUS MARK
－indicates the beginning of a paragraph，section， stanza，or proposition
$\rightarrow$ 00B6 1 pilcrow sign
$\rightarrow$ 204B $\mathbb{P}$ reversed pilcrow sign
$\rightarrow 2 E 0 F$＿paragraphos
$\rightarrow$ 2E3F＊capitulum
2E46 7 POSITURA MARK
－indicates the end of a section of text
$\rightarrow$ 002C ，comma
2E47 ：COLON WITH SIDEWAYS REVERSED RAISED COMMA
－indicates the end of a section of text
2E48 $\quad$ ：COLON WITH RAISED POSITURA MARK
－indicates the end of a section of text
2E49 $\quad ; \quad$ TWO DOTS OVER COMMA
－indicates the end of a section of text
2E4A ：PUNCTUS ELEVATUS MARK
－indicates a minor medial pause where the sense is complete but the meaning is not
2E4B • SIDEWAYS REVERSED MIDDLE COMMA
－indicates a brief medial pause
$\because \quad$ PUNCTUS FLEXUS MARK
－indicates a minor medial pause where the sense is incomplete
2E4D ；PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK
－indicates the melodic formula at the end of a psalm verse
－indicates the completion of a single idea
2E4E ：LOW PUNCTUS VERSUS MARK
$2 E 4 F: \quad$ PUNCTUS INTERROGATIVUS MARK
$\rightarrow$ 003F ？question mark
$\rightarrow$ 00BF $i$ inverted question mark
$\rightarrow$ 2E2E $؟$ reversed question mark
－indicates a non－rhetorical question

| 2E50 | $!$ | PUNCTUS EXCLAMATIVUS MARK <br> = punctus admirativus <br> - indicates an exclamation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2E51 | ? | MEDIEVAL COMMA <br> - indicates a minor medial pause or disjunction of sense |
| 2E52 |  | HIGH DOT <br> - a "distinctio" which indicates a final pause in series with full stop and raised dot |
| 2E53 | 7 | SIMPLEX DUCTUS MARK <br> - originally used to separate matters erroneously run together |
| 2E54 | $t$ | DOTTED SOLIDUS <br> - indicates a medial disjunction less than solidus but more than punctus elevatus $=\mathrm{a}$ form of virgula suspensiva |
| 2E55 |  | SIGNE DE RENVOI <br> - associates the text with external notes <br> $\rightarrow$ 205A. two dot punctuation <br> $\rightarrow$ 205B $\because$ four dot mark |
| 2E56 | , | MIDDLE COMMA <br> - used as an abbreviation sign <br> $\rightarrow$ 00B7 • middle dot <br> $\rightarrow 2$ E34 , raised comma |
| 2E57 | $\dot{\sim}$ | TILDE WITH DOT ABOVE AND DOT BELOW <br> $\rightarrow 223 \mathrm{~B} \div$ homothetic <br> - used as an abbreviation sign for "est" |
| 2E58 | ¢ | VERTICAL FIVE DOTS <br> $\rightarrow$ 205D : tricolon <br> $\rightarrow$ 205E $\vdots$ vertical four dots <br> $\rightarrow$ 2E3D $\vdots$ vertical six dots |
| 2E59 | $\ddagger$ | TRIPLE DAGGER <br> $\rightarrow 2020 \dagger$ dagger <br> $\rightarrow 2021+\dagger$ double dagger |

## A. Administrative

1. Title

Proposal to add Medievalist punctuation characters to the UCS
2. Requester's name

Script Encoding Initiative
3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution)

Liaison contribution.
4. Submission date

2015-12-19
5. Requester's reference (if applicable)
6. Choose one of the following:

6a. This is a complete proposal
Yes.
6b. More information will be provided later
No.

## B. Technical - General

1. Choose one of the following:

1a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters)
No.
1b. Proposed name of script
1c. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block
Yes
1d. Name of the existing block
Supplementary Punctuation
2. Number of characters in proposal
21.
3. Proposed category (A-Contemporary; B.1-Specialized (small collection); B.2-Specialized (large collection); C-Major extinct; D-Attested extinct; E-Minor extinct; F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic; G-Obscure or questionable usage symbols)

## Category B.1.

4a. Is a repertoire including character names provided?
Yes.
4b. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines" in Annex L of P\&P document?
Yes.
4c. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?
Yes.
5a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font (ordered preference: True Type, or PostScript format) for publishing the standard?

## Michael Everson.

5b. If available now, identify source(s) for the font (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.) and indicate the tools used:

## Michael Everson, Fontographer.

6a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided?
Yes.
6b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other sources) of proposed characters attached?
Yes.
7. Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as input, presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)?
Yes.
8. Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script.
See above.

## C. Technical - Justification

1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? If YES, explain.

Yes, some of the characters have. See N3193.
2a. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body, user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?
Yes.
2b. If YES, with whom?
The authors are members of the user community.
2c. If YES, available relevant documents
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?
Medievalists, Latinists, and other scholars.
4a. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare)
Used historically and in modern editions.
4b. Reference
5a. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?
Yes.

5b. If YES, where?
Scholarly publications.
6a. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P\&P document must the proposed characters be entirely in the BMP?
Yes.
6b. If YES, is a rationale provided?
Yes.
$6 c$. If YES, reference
Accordance with the Roadmap. Keep with other punctuation characters.
7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered)?

No.
8a. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing character or character sequence?
No.
8b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?
8c. If YES, reference
9a. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either existing characters or other proposed characters?
No.
9b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?
9c. If YES, reference
10a. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function) to an existing character?
Yes.
10b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?
Yes.
10c. If YES, reference
Some characters are ancestors of modern characters.
11a. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences (see clauses 4.12 and 4.14 in ISO/IEC 10646-1: 2000)?
No.
11b. If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?
11c. If YES, reference
11d. Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provided?
No.
11e. If YES, reference
12a. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as control function or similar semantics?
No.
12b. If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)
13a. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility character(s)?
No.
13b. If YES, is the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic character(s) identified?

