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SANSKRITOGRAPHY

Sanskritography is the study of the glyphs and their etymological origin along with their meaning. It deals with the true origin of the alphabets and compares it with other words and alphabets.

MANTRAKSHAR PARTICLES

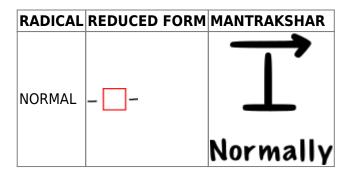
Mantrakshar particles are the fundamental radicals used while writing the characters it can be written in a reduced form or in its original form.

We can use the analogy of writing the vowels in hindi , so we have main vowels A(अ) ,i (इ) , u(उ) and when writing them we don't actually use the original vowels but simply use their indicators or so called reduced forms , Just as in case of K (क) + i (इ) = कि (ki) and similarly in mantrakshar when we use eye + water = tears /cry

character 1	character 2	combined character
K(क)	i (इ)	ki (कि)
Ξ Eγe	\ Water	回 Cry
Cup	* Fire	活 Cook
Object	Light	D, Dew
RADICAL RE	DUCED FOR	MANTRAKSHAR
WATER](Water
FIRE	111	*

RADICAL	REDUCED FORM	MANTRAKSHAR
AIR	ラ	飞
	Air flow	Air
LIGHT		Light
SOUND		*** Sound
PAIN	∻ □≪	Ache
LEGS	\wedge	Leg
ARM	<u>_</u> u	Arm
LESS	∠ □\	Less
MORE	\/	More More
LID	Ó	Cover

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STROKES

Mantrakshar strokes are the calligraphic strokes needed to write the Mantrakshar characters in regular script used in calligraphy. These strokes are the classified set of line patterns that may be arranged and combined to form character.

The study and classification of Mantrakshar strokes is used for:

- understanding mantrakshar character calligraphy the correct method of writing, shape formation and stroke order required for character legibility;
- understanding stroke changes according to the style that is in use;
- defining stroke naming and counting conventions;
- identifying fundamental components of Mantrakshar radicals; and
- their use in computing.

SINGLE STROKES

These are the most basic strokes used for creating almost any character in mantrakshar. These strokes are also used to create the mantrakshar particles. These basic strokes are written in a very small quantity just to signify the presence so they are usually considered to be equivalent to dots because you cannot differentiate these strokes with each other. Their writing order is given below in the picture as horizontal stroke is written from left to right, vertical stroke is written from top to bottom, left slash is written as a throw away towards left side, right slash is written some what slowly and stress is given so it is a press down stroke toward the right lower corner.

stroke	direction	Mantra		
	left to right	horizontal		
	up to down	vertical		
/	centre to lower left corner	throw away		
\	centre to lower right corner	press down		

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SINGLE STROKE

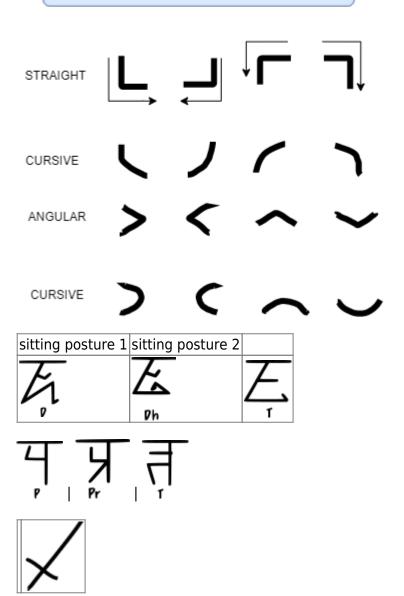


Arrows indicate the direction in which the stroke is written

DOUBLE STROKES

These are the compound pair of strokes which can be written without lifting the pen. These strokes are also used frequently in constructing the mantrakshar characters.

DOUBLE STROKES

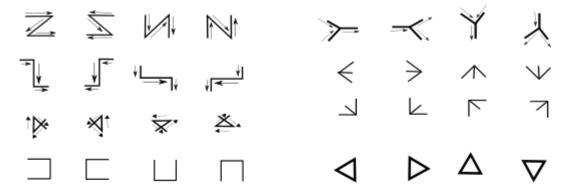


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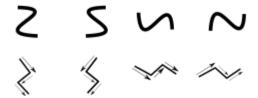
TRIPLE STROKES

A compound stroke (also called a complex stroke) is produced when two or more basic strokes are combined in a single stroke written without lifting the writing instrument from the writing surface. Below is the list of the complex triple stroke formed by the combination of basic 3 strokes. These strokes are used in forming a huge number of mantrakshar characters as well as forming the devanagri alphabets.

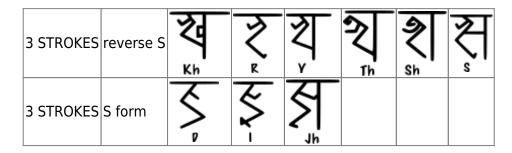
TRIPLE STROKES



CURSIVE AND STRAIGHT



Another form of writing is cursive which is formed by combining the cursive forms. The sanskrit or devanagri alphabets use straight strokes as well as cursive strokes which are written in a combined form, they combine the cursive forms with the simple basic strokes like vertical bar , horizontal bar and then the full alphabet is formed below is a simple table showing the alphabets of sanskrit formed by combining the cursive with the straight forms.

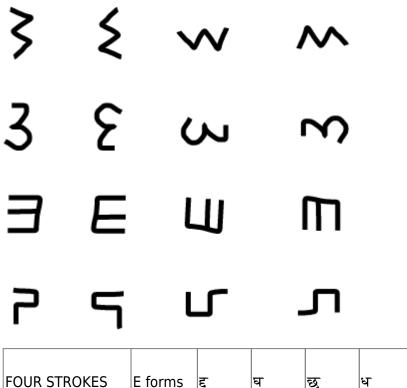


FOUR STROKES

This category contains 4 strokes which can be written without lifting the pen or some strokes have to be written by lifting the pen.

E form of strokes have to be written by lifting the pen once.

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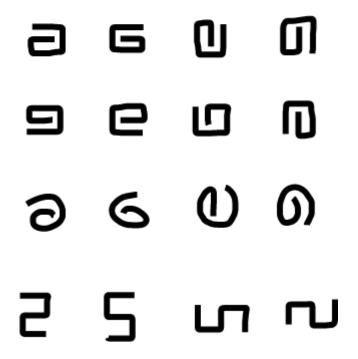


FOUR STROKES	E forms	ह	घ	ন্ত	ध र	द्य	Z	Z ph	17 5
FOUR STROKES	reverse E	उ	अ	ऊ			쩼		
FOUR STROKES		\boxtimes							
4 strokes enclosed				_					

FIVE STROKES

These strokes contain five basic strokes and they can be used to write other characters.they can also be used to construct sanskrit alphabets.

FIVE STROKES



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