

IDN Variants in Korea

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Language in Korea

- Main language is phonographic Hangul
- Chinese ideographs also used in written formats (Hanja)
- Historically, Hangul use has been encouraged
- April, 2011: gov't docs use of Hangul mandated

Hanja in Korea

- Chinese origin, but some unique characters developed
- Mainly traditional, but Korean variants exist
 - Korea: 却 脚 强 概
 - Taiwan: 卻 腳 強 概
- Hanja codes:
 - KS 1005: 4888 basic Hanja
 - KS 1005-1: 23,274 Unicode CJK

IDNs in Korea

- Began in August, 2010
- Registers Hangul domains only
- No plans for Hanja registration yet
- Hanja variants should take a conservative view to avoid confusion

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