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AUTOMATIC TRANSLATION BETWEEN
NUMBER NAMES*

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1. INTRODUCTION

One of the problems in mechanical translation is the occurrence of compounds without spaces in languages as German and Dutch; these cannot be put in a dictionary as any language user can produce them without limit. Little has been done on this problem. In the pioneer days of mechanical translation, E. Reifer indicated [1] how the syntactic analysis of the German compound can be done by computer. The semantic problems are almost unsurpassable. These semantic problems are quite simple for one large class of compound words: the number names. From a small number of components, around thirty, most languages can construct millions of cardinal number names. For five languages, Dutch, German, French, English and Chinese, the rules governing the construction of number names were programmed. The translation from the decimal representation into the word representation is effected by the ALGOL procedure *write number name* (Section 2).

Conversely the procedure *read number name* gives the translation from word form to digital form (Section 3). Combination of these procedures then gives the mutual translation of number names (Section 4).

2. SYNTHESIS OF THE NUMBER NAME

Recently, a number of generative grammars, most of them context-free, have been published for number names in different languages [2]. Whatever the merits of these grammars, they all possess one shortcoming: the names generated have no connection with their meaning. And this while the determination of the meaning of number names is so simple. Except for extra connotations of some smaller numbers the meaning of a number name is fully given by the decimal representation of the number referred to. Therefore we have adapted the generative grammars to make possible a translation from decimal to word representation. Moreover, by treating Dutch, German, French and English in one program, a comparative grammar of the number names in these languages is found. The set of Chinese number names is generated on its own.

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In the four Western languages, the number is partitioned from the back in groups of three digits. The procedure *next three digits (i)* (p. 115) gives the word representation of one such group of three digits, followed by the appropriate power of ten, and then calls itself with lowered value of *i*, until the end of the number is reached. The procedure makes use of three other procedures:

<i>from 1 up to 100(j, k)</i>	producing $10 \times j + k$	(p. 116)
<i>hundredfold (j, k)</i>	producing $(10 \times j + k) \times 100$	(p. 117)
<i>thousand to the power (k)</i>	producing 10^{3k}	(p. 117)

In some languages, it is possible under certain conditions to write a number like 1200 in two ways: as 12×100 and as $1000 + 200$. The program investigates whether this situation is present, and, if so, gives both possibilities. (Theoretically one could perhaps write a number like 1200001200 in these languages in four ways. We have used the 'overlapping mode' or the 'non-overlapping mode' consistently in the whole number name.) For many special measures as e.g. the declension of the German powers of ten and the French numbers between 70 and 99, we refer to the program. The French word for 10^9 is given half of the time as *billion*, and the other half as *milliard*. For English we follow the British system of naming 10^9 'milliard' and 10^{12} 'billion'. In the American system these names are 'billion' and 'trillion'. The morphemes used can be found in the first four columns of procedure *m* (on p. 114). For each of the four languages, about 33 morphemes are provided, of which some could be omitted, but at the cost of program complications. The Chinese number name can be generated by a context-free grammar but Brainerd has shown [3] that it is better to use a class of deletion transformations which delete one component in specified contexts. These deletion transformations are readily programmable in ALGOL 60. The transformations in connection with the morpheme *ling* ('zero') are simply written as procedure *D* (*condition for context around ling, deletend*), where, each time the Boolean *condition for context around ling* is true, the component at place *deletend* is deleted. For details we refer again to the ALGOL program (pp. 118, 119, 120). Besides the seven obligatory transformations, there are five optional transformations which give alternative forms. The necessary component morphemes of the Chinese number names can be seen in the last column of procedure *m* (on p. 114).

3. ANALYSIS OF THE NUMBER NAME

On the basis of the synthesis in the preceding section, an analysis could be given. This method, however, is:

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(1) unnecessary, because many of the special measures in the procedure *write number name* are taken to ensure a correct writing of the number name, but have no informational value. In a situation where we want to read a number name, a less detailed grammar is good enough.

(2) undesirable because we also want to read in alternative forms which are not completely correct, as they often occur for larger numbers, which are rarely written in word form. We can e.g. neglect spacing and capitalisation, and accept rare forms like *six-and-twenty*.

A second method for analysis is the Reifler procedure which consists, briefly, in taking the morpheme in the component dictionary which coincides with the longest left end of the word to be dissected. If, in repeating this strategy, no component can be found at some stage, the last taken decision is revoked and a shorter component chosen. This full analysis is not necessary in our case because, only in two cases (one of which is caused by the accidentally chosen transcription of the Chinese words) is a wrong analysis found if we always choose the longest possible component fitting the left end of the name to be analyzed. To simplify the program, components of only 1, 2, 3 or 4 letters are used. It appears that with some tricks, the first four letters give enough discrimination between the components. Three numbers are associated with each component. The first number indicates the language in which the component occurs (as soon as the machine knows that it is in a certain language, only the relevant part of the dictionary is searched for the other components). The second number indicates the number of letters the full component possesses (of which, as has been said, only four were used for identification), and the third gives the meaning of the component. These meanings are coded as follows:

code	meaning	example
0	meaningless	<i>et, ling, the s in sechs and cents</i>
1	1	<i>ein, i</i>
:	≡ code	numbers below 20
16	16	<i>seize</i>
20	10-fold suffix	<i>tig, zig, uante, ty</i>
21	10	<i>dix</i>
22	20	<i>twenty</i>
:	(code-20) × 10	tenfolds
24	40	<i>quarante</i>
30	connective between tenfolds and units	<i>en, und</i>

code	meaning	example
32	10^2	<i>hundred</i>
33	10^3	<i>mille</i>
:	$10^{\text{code}-30}$	powers of ten
42	10^{12}	<i>trillion</i>
51	even power of thousand suffix	<i>on, oen</i>
52	odd power of thousand suffix	<i>ard</i>
53	mil-	<i>milli, milj</i>
54	bil-	<i>billi, bilj</i>

For the analysis of the number names in five languages, a hundred components are necessary, less than for synthesis. This is because words like *veertien* and *veertig* are synthesized as a whole, but in analysis are broken down further (for analysis *veer* is fully synonymous with *vier*, which it is not in synthesis), and because some components occur in more than one language (usually with the same meaning: *acht*, *six*. Exception: *billion*). The procedure (pp. 108–112) reads the letters of the number name offered into the array *L*, thereby discarding some information, which it also discarded reading the list of component words. The four-, three-, two- and one-letter combinations are, in that order, compared with the entries in the component list. The meanings of the components found are stored in the array *M*. In the meantime, the tenfolds, the numbers between 10 and 20, and the powers of ten above 10^3 are combined. The notation used for Chinese morphemes makes it necessary to discriminate between *pa i*⁴ (8×10^4) and *pai* (100). The optional transformation O2 obliges us to see whether *ling* has just been read. Also, we have to be careful not to read the English *one* in the German *Billionen*. In the languages which put the units before the tenfold (connected by *and*) for the numbers below 100, this order is reversed. Except for the ambiguous *billion*, the series of meanings in *M* is now independent of the input language. From back to front, the elements of *M* are then converted into digits in the array *N*, which will contain the number in decimal representation. To this end, a counter *pos* is kept, whose initial value is 0. The powers of ten above 10^3 give *pos* a new absolute value, and the lower powers of ten enlarge *pos* (additively). When we have reached the first element of *M*, the digital representation is finished and *number of digits* has acquired its value.

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The procedure *read number name* reads all words produced by the procedure *write number name*, plus many incorrect forms. Spaces, capitalization, hyphens and apostrophes are neglected.

4. TRANSLATION OF NUMBER NAMES

It is clear how the two procedures *write number name* and *read number name* make mutual translation in the five languages possible. In the case where input language and output language are the same this translation can be interpreted as: 'Give the correct version of the number name plus all its alternative forms'.

The program reproduced here gives, for every number name read, its translation in the five languages. In the output, the input is reproduced with underlinings, including the component dictionary. The maximal number processed is $10^{15} - 1$ but extension is simple (for Dutch the synthesis up to $10^{66} - 1$ is done in [4]). In such an extension the difference between the American and the English system of denominations above one million becomes more pronounced.

In the case of number name translation between several languages, the use of the decimal representation as an intermediate language seems obvious. The use of an intermediate language for the mutual translation of several languages in general may, however, very well be impossible or undesirable.

Apart from the actual application discussed, it is hoped that the published program may convince linguists that general programming languages, such as ALGOL 60, offer a means for concise, controllable description of complex situations.

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begin comment mutual translation of number names;
  integer number of digits, lang, dutch, german, french, english, chinese;
  Boolean overlap, possible overlap, o1, f, one;
  integer array W[1:108, 1:4], A[0:5, 0:1], N[1:16];
  comment W contains the components with their meanings. A gives the
limits for each language in the list W. N stores the digits of the number
translated;

integer procedure letter;
  comment This input procedure reads the next letter of the input word. It
neglects spaces, hyphens, apostrophes, capitalization and the letters q and
m. It recodes the letter into the code a=1,...z=26. On reading a question
mark the program is terminated. The input text is repeated, underlined, in
the output;
  begin integer h;
    h:=RESYM; if h≠119 then SYM(126); SYM(h); if h=122 then EXIT;
    letter:=if h=93 ∨ h=120 ∨ h=65 ∨ h=53 ∨ h=26 ∨ h=49 ∨ h=22 then
    letter else if h=4 then 22 else if h>36 then h-36 else h-9
  end;

procedure read number name;
  comment This procedure translates the number named by the input word
into the decimal representation. lang gets the value of the input language;
  begin integer h, j, iL, iLmax, iM, iMmax, iN, w1, w2, w3, w4, m, b, pos, ling;
  integer array L[1:170], M[0:40];
  comment L stores the letters of the input word, M the meanings of the
found components;

  procedure search(n, m); value n; integer n, m;
  comment The word n is looked up in W. If found m becomes equal to the
index of the corresponding morfeme, else m is made negative. The
language to which the found morfeme belongs is kept for future searches;

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begin integer iW;
  for iW := A[lang, 0] step 1 until A[lang, 1], 1 step 1 until A[0, 0] - 1
  do
    begin if W[iW, 1] = n then
      begin if lang = 0 then lang := W[iW, 2]; m := iW; goto FOUND
      end a component is found
    end of search in relevant part of W;
    m := - 1;
  FOUND:
  end search;

SL: for iL := 1 step 1 until 167 do
  begin h := letter; if h = 83 then
    begin if iL = 1 then goto SL; iLmax := iL - 1; goto Lfilled
    end the letters of the input word are now stored in L;
    L[iL] := h
  end;
  goto SL;
Lfilled: lang := M[0]; ling := 0;
  L[iLmax + 1] := L[iLmax + 2] := L[iLmax + 3] := 26; iL := iM := 1;
  SM: if iL > iLmax then goto Mfilled; w1 := L[iL];
  w2 := w1 × 26 + L[iL + 1]; w3 := w2 × 26 + L[iL + 2];
  w4 := w3 × 26 + L[iL + 3]; search(w4, m); if m < 0 then
  begin search(w3, m); if m < 0 then
    begin search(w2, m); if m < 0 then
      begin search(w1, m); if m < 0 then goto SL end
    end
  end the first 4, 3, 2 and 1 letters of the input word have been looked up in W;
  iL := iL + W[m, 3]; b := W[m, 4];
  if lang = chinese then
  begin if b = 0 then ling := 1 else ling := ling + 1;
    if b = 32 ∧ L[iL] = 22 then
      begin b := 8; iL := iL - 1 end pa i
    end of special measures for Chinese;

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if lang = english then
begin if  $b = 1 \wedge (M[iM - 1] = 53 \vee M[iM - 1] = 54)$  then
  begin lang := 0; b := 51; iL := iL - 1 end
end of special measures for English;
if  $b = 0$  then goto SM; if  $b = 20$  then
begin  $M[iM - 1] := M[iM - 1] + 20$ ; goto SM
end forming of tenfolds;
if  $b = 10$  then
begin if lang = chinese then
  begin if  $M[iM - 1] < 10 \wedge iM \neq 1$  then
    begin  $M[iM - 1] := 20 + M[iM - 1]$ ; goto SM end
    else b := 21
  end Chinese tenfolds;
  if lang = french then
    begin if  $M[iM - 1] = 26 \vee M[iM - 1] = 28$  then
      begin  $M[iM - 1] := M[iM - 1] + 1$ ; goto SM end
    end French 70 and 90
    else
      begin if  $M[iM - 1] < 10 \wedge M[iM - 1] > 2$  then
        begin  $M[iM - 1] := M[iM - 1] + 10$ ; goto SM end
      end forming of numbers between 10 and 20
    end occurrence of 10;
  if lang = french then
    begin if  $b > 6 \wedge b < 10$  then
      begin if  $M[iM - 1] = 10$  then
        begin  $M[iM - 1] := 10 + b$ ; goto SM end
      end French 17, 18, 19;
      if  $b = 22 \wedge M[iM - 1] = 4$  then
        begin  $M[iM - 1] := 28$ ; goto SM
      end French 80
    end of special measures for French;
  if  $b = 51 \vee b = 52$  then
    begin if  $M[iM - 1] = 53$  then
      begin  $M[iM - 1] := 30 + (\text{if } b = 51 \text{ then } 6 \text{ else } 9)$ ; goto SM
    end million and milliard;

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if  $M[iM-1]=54$  then
  begin  $M[iM-1]:=41$ ; goto SM
  end The ambiguous billion is given meaning 41 until we know whether the
  input language is French or not
end;
if  $lang=german$  then
  begin if  $m=6$  then goto SM
  end special measure for German sieben;
   $M[iM]:=b$ ; if  $iM=40$  then goto SL;  $iM:=iM+1$ ; goto SM;
  Mfilled: iMmax:=iM-1; if iMmax=0 then goto SL;
  if  $lang=chinese \wedge ling \neq 2 \wedge M[iMmax] < 10 \wedge M[iMmax-1] \neq 10$ 
  then
    begin if  $M[iMmax-1]=32$  then  $M[iMmax]:=20+M[iMmax]$  else if
       $M[iMmax-1]=33 \vee M[iMmax-1]=34$  then
        begin  $iMmax:=iMmax+1$ ;  $M[iMmax]:=M[iMmax-2]-1$  end
      end The effect of optional transformation O2 is reversed;
    if  $lang=dutch \vee lang=german \vee lang=english$  then
      begin for  $iM:=2$  step 1 until  $iMmax-1$  do
        begin if  $M[iM]=30$  then
          begin if  $M[iM-1] < 10 \wedge M[iM+1] > 21 \wedge M[iM+1] < 30$  then
            begin  $m:=M[iM-1]$ ;  $M[iM-1]:=M[iM+1]$ ;  $M[iM]:=m$  end
            else  $M[iM]:=M[iM+1]$ ;  $iMmax:=iMmax-1$ ;
            for  $j:=iM+1$  step 1 until  $iMmax$  do  $M[j]:=M[j+1]$ 
          end
        end
      end
    end
  end
  end
  end numbers below 100 in languages where units precede tenfolds;
  for  $iN:=1$  step 1 until 15 do  $N[iN]:=0$ ;  $pos:=0$ ;
  for  $iM:=iMmax$  step -1 until 1 do
    begin  $m:=M[iM]$ ; if  $m > 31$  then
      begin if  $m=41$  then  $m:=(\text{if } lang=french \text{ then } 39 \text{ else } 42)$ ;
      if  $m > 33$  then  $pos:=m-30$  else if  $m=32$  then  $pos:=pos+$ 
      2 else  $pos:=pos+(\text{if } (pos \div (\text{if } lang=chinese \text{ then } 4$ 
      else 3))  $\times (\text{if } lang=chinese \text{ then } 4 \text{ else } 3)=pos$  then
      3 else 1); if  $iM=1 \vee m=32$  then  $N[15-pos]:=1$ 
    end power of ten gives new value to pos
  end

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else if  $m < 30$  then
begin if  $m < 10$  then  $N[15 - pos] := m$  else if  $m < 20$  then
begin  $N[15 - pos] := m - (m \div 10) \times 10$ ;  $N[14 - pos] := 1$ 
end numbers below 20 are put in  $N$ 
else  $N[14 - pos] := N[14 - pos] + m - 20$ 
end tenfolds are put in  $N$ 
end of the translation from back to front of  $M$  into  $N$ ;
for  $iN := 1$  step 1 until 15 do
begin if  $N[iN] \neq 0$  then
begin number of digits :=  $16 - iN$ ; goto Z end
end determination of number of digits; goto SL; Z:
for  $iN := 1$  step 1 until 15 do
begin if  $iN \leq 15 - \text{number of digits}$  then space else SYM( $N[iN]$ )
end output of the decimal representation;
end read number name;

procedure fill W;
comment reads in the list of components. To each component is assigned: its
language (0=any language), its number of letters, and its meaning. The
limits for each language are stored in A;
begin integer h, H, i, iW, iWmax;
iW := 1; H := i := 0; iWmax := 108; A[5, 1] := iWmax;
lang := 0;
SW: h := letter; if  $h = 83$  then
begin A[lang, 1] :=  $iW - 1$ ; lang := lang + 1; A[lang, 0] := iW;
goto SW
end;
if  $h \neq 90$  then
begin i := i + 1; if  $i < 5$  then  $H := H \times 26 + h$ ; goto SW end;
W[iW, 1] := H; W[iW, 2] := lang; W[iW, 3] := i; W[iW, 4] := read;
ABSFIXT(3, 0, W[iW, 4]); ABSFIXP(3, 0, W[iW, 4]);
if  $iW \neq iWmax$  then
begin iW := iW + 1; H := i := 0; goto SW end;
A[0, 0] := A[1, 0]; A[0, 1] := iWmax
end fill W;

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procedure write(s); string s;
comment This output procedure writes the string s;
begin PRINTTEXT(s); PUTTEXT(s) end;

procedure write number name (N, lengthN, lang); array N;
integer lengthN, lang;
comment The number in array N with length lengthN is written in the language lang;
begin integer i;
  if lang ≠ 1 then NL;
  for i: = 1 step 1 until (if lang = 1 then 3 else 18) do space;
  if lang = chinese then CHINESE(N) else
  begin possible overlap: = overlap: = false;
    Next 3 digits ((lengthN-1) ÷ 3); if possible overlap then
    begin overlap: = true; NL; write('or with overlap: ');
    Next 3 digits ((lengthN-1) ÷ 3);
    end overlapping case
    end non chinese language
  end write number name;

procedure m(j, k); value j, k; integer j, k;
comment The word in row 9 × j + k and the colum of the output language is written;
begin switch morfemes: = m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, m7, m8, m9, m11, m12,
  m13, m14, m15, m16, m17, m18, m19, m10, m20, m30, m40, m50, m60,
  m70, m80, m90, p2, p3, p6or4, p9or8, p12, m0;
  procedure P(du, ge, fr, en, ch); string du, ge, fr, en, ch;
  begin if lang = dutch then write(du) else if lang = german then
    write(ge) else if lang = french then write(fr) else if lang =
    english then write(en) else write(ch); goto WRITTEN
  end P;
  procedure Q(du, ge, fr, en); string du, ge, fr, en;
  P(du, ge, fr, en, ' ');
  procedure R(s); string s; P(s, s, s, s, s);
  goto morfemes[9 × j + k];

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comment	Dutch	German	French	English	Chinese;
<i>m 1</i> :P	('een',	'ein',	'un',	'one',	'i');
<i>m 2</i> : if <i>o1</i> then begin <i>o1</i> : =false; R('liang') end else
	P ('twee',	'zwei',	'deux',	'two',	'erh');
<i>m 3</i> :P	('drie',	'drei',	'trois',	'three',	'san');
<i>m 4</i> :P	('vier',	'vier',	'quatre',	'four',	'ssu');
<i>m 5</i> :P	('vijf',	'fuenf',	'cinq',	'five',	'wu');
<i>m 6</i> :P	('zes',	'sechs',	'six',	'six',	'liu');
<i>m 7</i> :P	('zeven',	'sieben',	'sept',	'seven',	'ch'i');
<i>m 8</i> :P	('acht',	'acht',	'huit',	'eight',	'pa');
<i>m 9</i> :P	('negen',	'neun',	'neuf',	'nine',	'chiu');
<i>m11</i> :Q	('elf',	'elf',	'onze',	'eleven');	
<i>m12</i> :Q	('twaalf',	'zwoelf',	'douze',	'twelve');	
<i>m13</i> :Q	('dertien',	'dreizehn',	'treize',	'thirteen');	
<i>m14</i> :Q	('veertien',	'vierzehn',	'quatorze',	'fourteen');	
<i>m15</i> :Q	('vijftien',	'fuenfzehn',	'quinze',	'fifteen');	
<i>m16</i> :Q	('zestien',	'sechzehn',	'seize',	'sixteen');	
<i>m17</i> :Q	('zeventien',	'siebzehn',	'dix-sept',	'seventeen');	
<i>m18</i> :Q	('achttien',	'achtzehn',	'dix-huit',	'eighteen');	
<i>m19</i> :Q	('negentien',	'neunzehn',	'dix-neuf',	'nineteen');	
<i>m10</i> :P	('tien',	'zehn',	'dix',	'ten',	'shih');
<i>m20</i> :Q	('twintig',	'zwanzig',	'vingt',	'twenty');	
<i>m30</i> :Q	('dertig',	'dreissig',	'trente',	'thirty');	
<i>m40</i> :Q	('veertig',	'vierzig',	'quarante',	'forty');	
<i>m50</i> :Q	('vijftig',	'fuenfzig',	'cinquante',	'fifty');	
<i>m60</i> :Q	('zestig',	'sechzig',	'soixante',	'sixty');	
<i>m70</i> :Q	('zeventig',	'siebzig',	'soixante',	'seventy');	
<i>m80</i> :Q	('tachtig',	'achtzig',	'quatre-vingt',	'eighty');	
<i>m90</i> :Q	('negentig',	'neunzig',	'quatre-vingt',	'ninety');	
<i>p2</i> :P	('honderd',	'hundert',	'cent',	'hundred',	'pai');
<i>p3</i> :P	('duizend',	'tausend',	'mille',	'thousand',	'ch'ien');
<i>p6or4</i> :P	('miljoen',	'Million',	'million',	'million',	'wan');
<i>p9or8</i> :f: = \neg f; if $f \wedge$ lang = french then R('billion') else					
	P ('miljard',	'Milliarde',	'milliard',	'milliard',	'i4');
<i>p12</i> :P	('biljoen',	'Billion',	'trillion',	'billion',	'chao');
<i>m0</i> :P	('en',	'und',	'et',	'',	'ling');

WRITTEN:
end $m(j, k)$;

procedure *and*; $m(0, 33)$;
procedure *space*; **write** (' ');
procedure *hyphen*; **write** ('-');
procedure *SYM*(n); **integer** n ;
comment *If n is a digit, it is written by this output procedure;*
begin *PRSYM*(n); *PUSYM*(n) **end**;
procedure *NL*; **write** ('
');

procedure *Next 3 digits*(i); **integer** i ;
comment *The i -th group from the back of three digits is produced, followed by an appropriate power of thousand. It then calls itself with lowered i until i becomes 1;*
begin **integer** $i3$;
 $i3 := i \times 3$; **if** \neg *overlap* **then**
 begin **if** \neg *possible overlap* **then** *possible overlap* := $i \neq 0 \wedge N[13 - i3] = 0 \wedge N[14 - i3] = 0 \wedge N[15 - i3] \neq 0 \wedge (lang = french \rightarrow N[15 - i3] = 1) \wedge N[16 - i3] \neq 0$;
 NON OVERLAP: hundredfold($0, N[13 - i3]$);
 if $N[13 - i3] \neq 0$ **then**
 begin **if** $lang = french$ **then**
 begin **if** $N[14 - i3] + N[15 - i3] = 0 \wedge N[13 - i3] \neq 1$ **then**
 write ('s'); *space*
 end *cents*
 end *first of the 3 digits*;
 from 1 up to 100($N[14 - i3], N[15 - i3]$);
 if $i = 0 \wedge lang = german \wedge N[14] = 0 \wedge N[15] = 1$ **then** **write** ('s');
 $one := (N[13 - i3] = 0 \wedge N[14 - i3] = 0 \wedge N[15 - i3] = 1)$;
 if $i = 0$ **then** **goto** *MADE*;
 if $N[13 - i3] + N[14 - i3] + N[15 - i3] \neq 0$ **then**
 thousand to the power(i); *Next 3 digits*($i - 1$)
 end *of non overlapping case*

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else
begin if  $i \neq 0 \wedge N[13-i3]=0 \wedge N[14-i3]=0 \wedge N[15-i3] \neq 0$ 
 $\wedge (lang=french \rightarrow N[15-i3]=1) \wedge N[16-i3] \neq 0$  then
begin hundredfold ( $N[15-i3], N[16-i3]$ );
if lang=french then
begin if  $N[17-i3]+N[18-i3]=0$  then write ('s'); space
end cents;
from 1 up to 100 ( $N[17-i3], N[18-i3]$ );
if  $i=1 \wedge N[14]=0 \wedge N[15]=1 \wedge lang=german$  then write (
's'); one:=false; if  $i=1$  then goto MADE;
thousand to the power ( $i-1$ ); Next 3 digits ( $i-2$ )
end overlapping case
else goto NON OVERLAP
end;
MADE:
end Next 3 digits ( $i$ );

procedure from 1 up to 100 ( $j, k$ ); value  $j, k$ ; integer  $j, k$ ;
comment produces  $10 \times j+k$ ;
if  $k \neq 0$  then
begin if  $j < 2$  then  $m(j, k)$  else
begin if lang=french  $\vee$  lang=english then
begin  $m(2, j)$ ; if lang=english then
begin hyphen;  $m(0, k)$  end
else
begin if  $j \neq 7 \wedge j \neq 9$  then
begin if  $k=1$  then
begin if  $j \neq 8$  then and end
else hyphen;  $m(0, k)$ 
end
else
begin if  $k=1 \wedge j=7$  then and else hyphen;
from 1 up to 100 ( $1, k$ )
end
end
end
end

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        end French up to 100
    end French and English
    else
        begin m(0, k); and; m(2, j) end Dutch and German
    end above 20
end
else
begin if j ≠ 0 then
    begin m(2, j); if lang = french ∧ j > 6 then
        begin if j = 8 then write('s') else
            begin hyphen; from 1 up to 100(1, 0) end
        end French 70, 80, 90
    end tenfolds
end 1 up to 100;

procedure hundredfold(j, k); value j, k; integer j, k;
comment produces (10 × j + k) × 100;
begin if j + k ≠ 1 ∨ lang = english then from 1 up to 100(j, k);
    if k ≠ 0 then m(3, 1)
end hundredfold;

procedure thousand to the power(k); value k; integer k;
comment produces 1000 ↑ k;
begin if k > 1 then
    begin if one ∧ lang = german then write('e') end;
    m(3, k + 1); if k > 1 then
        begin if one then
            begin if lang = french then write('s')
                else if lang = german then
                    begin if k ≠ 3 then write('e'); write('n') end
                end;
            if lang ≠ dutch then space
        end
    end 1000 to the power(k);

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procedure CHINESE(Number); array Number;
comment The Chinese name for the number in array Number is produced;
begin integer i, shih, pai, chien, wan, i4, chao, j, L, LL;
  Boolean change;
  integer array S[-1:36];
  comment The string of Chinese morfemes with length L is stored in S,
  numbers below 10 in their natural code, power of ten as 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
  (chao);

  procedure write chinese;
  comment The string of Chinese morfemes in S is produced;
  for j: = 1 step 1 until L do
  begin if S[j] = 0 then and else if S[j] < 10 then m(0, S[j])
    else if S[j] = 10 then m(0, 19) else m(2, S[j] - 1); space
  end;

  comment The 7 obligatory transformations: ;

  procedure D (condition for context of ling, deletend);
  Boolean condition for context of ling; integer deletend;
  for j: = 1 step 1 until L do
  begin if ling(j) then
    begin if condition for context of ling then delete (deletend) end
    end general deletion transformation around ling;

  procedure delete(n); value n; integer n;
  begin integer k;
    L: = L - 1;
    for k: = n step 1 until L do S[k]: = S[k + 1]; change: = true
  end delete;

  procedure D1; D (shih pai chien (j - 1) ∧ wan i4 chao (j + 1), j);

  procedure D2;
  D (shih pai chien (j - 1) ∨ wan i4 chao (j - 1)
  ∧ shih pai chien (j + 1), j + 1);

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procedure D3; D(ling(j+1), j+1);

procedure D4; D(chao i4(j-1) ∧ i4 wan(j+1), j+1);

procedure D5;
if ling(1) ∧ L > 2 ∧ (shih pai chien(2) ∨ wan i4 chao(2)) then
begin delete(1); delete(1) end;

procedure D6; if ling(L) ∧ L > 1 then delete(L);

procedure D7; if S[1]=i ∧ S[2]=shih then delete(1);

comment The 5 optional transformations:  ;

procedure option(n); integer n;
comment if the application of an optional transformation is possible the
alternative form is produced;
begin NL; write('or with option o'); SYM(n); write(':');
    write chinese
end option;

procedure O1;
if S[1]=2 ∧ (wan i4 chao(2) ∨ (shih pai chien(2) ∧ S[2] ≠ shih))
then
begin o1:=true; option(1) end;

procedure O2;
begin integer a, b, c;
    a:=S[L-2]; b:=S[L-1]; c:=S[L];
    if ((a=chien ∧ c=pai) ∨ (a=pai ∧ c=shih) ∨ (a=wan ∧
c=chien)) ∧ b > 0 ∧ b < 10 then
    begin delete(L); option(2) end
end O2;

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procedure O3;
for  $j := 2$  step 1 until  $L - 1$  do
  begin if  $S[j] = \text{shih}$  then
    begin if  $S[j-1] = i \wedge S[j+1] > 0 \wedge S[j+1] < 10$  then
      begin delete  $(j-1)$ ; option(3); O3 end
    end
  end;

procedure O4;
begin change: =false;
   $D(S[j+1] < 10 \wedge S[j+2] = \text{pai} \wedge \text{ling}(j+3) \wedge S[j+4] < 10, j)$ ; if change then option(4)
end O4;

procedure O5;
begin integer jj;
  change: =false;
  for  $j := 2$  step 1 until  $L - 4$  do
    begin if chaoi4( $j$ ) then
      begin if ling( $j+1$ ) then
        begin for  $jj := 2$  step 1 until  $j - 1$  do
          begin if chaoi4( $jj$ )  $\vee$  ling( $jj$ ) then goto OUT end;
          for  $jj := L$  step -1 until  $j + 3$  do
            begin if i4wan( $jj$ ) then goto OUT; if ling( $jj$ ) then
              begin delete  $(j+1)$ ; goto OUT end
            end investigation of string to the right of ling
          end chao i4 followed by ling
        end occurrence of chao i4;
      OUT:
      end investigation of string;
      if change then option(5)
    end O5;

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Boolean procedure ling (n); integer n; ling := S[n] = 0;
Boolean procedure shih pai chien (n); integer n;
shih pai chien := S[n] ≥ shih ∧ S[n] ≤ chien;
Boolean procedure wan i4 chao (n); integer n;
wan i4 chao := S[n] ≥ wan;
Boolean procedure chao i4 (n); integer n;
chao i4 := S[n] ≥ i4;
Boolean procedure i4 wan (n); integer n;
i4 wan := S[n] = i4 ∨ S[n] = wan;

i := 1; shih := 10; pai := 11; chien := 12; wan := 13; i4 := 14; chao := 15;
for j := -1, 0, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 do S[j] := -1; S[1] := 0;
for j := 3 step 2 until 31 do S[j] := Number [j ÷ 2];
for j := 2 step 8 until 26 do
begin S[j] := chien; S[j+2] := pai; S[j+4] := shih end;
S[8] := chao; S[16] := i4; S[24] := wan; L := 31;
leading lings: change := false; D5;
if change then goto leading lings;
TRANSFORM: change := false; LL := L; D (true, 32); if change then
begin L := LL; change := false; D1; D2; D3; D4; D6;
if change then goto TRANSFORM
end obligational transformations in connection with ling;
D7; write chinese; O1; O2; O3; O4; O5;
end chinese number

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With the above procedures translation programs of many kinds can be written. One of them, reading in any language and translating into all five languages, is:

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o1 := f := false; fillW; lang := 0;
dutch := 1; german := 2; french := 3; english := 4; chinese := 5;
START: NL; read number name;
for lang := dutch, german, french, english, chinese do
write number name (N, number of digits, lang); goto START
end

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The input text is repeated, in italics, in the following output:

*acht 8 ard 52 billi 54 e 0 elf 11 en 30 hundred 32 milli 53 on
51 s 0 six 6 vier 4
bilj 54 der 3 drie 3 duizend 33 een 1 honderd 32 milj 53 negen
9 oen 51 tachtig 28 tien 10 tig 20 twaalf 12 twee 2 twintig 22 veer
4 vijf 5 zes 6 zeven 7
drei 3 ein 1 fuenf 5 funf 5 neun 9 sech 6 sieb 7 ssig 20
tausend 33 und 30 zehn 10 zig 20 zwanzig 22 zwei 2 zwolf
12 woelf 12
cent 32 cing 5 deux 2 dix 10 douze 12 et 0 huit 8 mille
33 neuf 9 onze 11 seize 16 sept 7 soixante 26 treize 13 trente
23 trillion 42 trois 3 quante 20 quatre 4 quatorze 14 quarante
24 quinze 15 un 1 vingt 22
and 30 eigh 8 eleven 11 fif 5 five 5 for 4 four 4 nine 9 one
1 seven 7 t 0 teen 10 ten 21 thir 3 thousand 33 three 3 twelve
12 twenty 22 two 2 ty 20
chao 42 ch'i 7 ch'ien 33 chiu 9 erh 2 i 1 i4 38 liang 2 ling
0 liu 6 pa 8 pai 32 san 3 shih 10 ssu 4 wan 34 wu 5*

eenmiljard tweehonderd miljoen zeshonderdduizend vijfhonderd

1200600500 eenmiljardtweehonderdmiljoenzeshonderdduizend
vijfhonderd

or with overlap: twaalfhonderdmiljoenzeshonderdduizendvijfhonderd
eine Milliarde zweihundert Millionen
sechshunderttausendfuenfhundert

or with overlap: zwoelfhundert Millionen sechshunderttausendfuenf
hundert

un billion deux cents millions six cents mille cinq cents
or with overlap: douze cents millions six cents mille cinq cents
one milliard two hundred million six hundred
thousand five hundred

or with overlap: twelve hundred million six hundred thousand five
hundred

shih erh i4 ling liu shih wan ling wu pai
or with option o5: shih erh i4 liu shih wan ling wu pai

pa i4 ling i pai i shih pa

800000118 achthonderdmiljoenhonderdachtien
achthundert Millionen hundertachtzehn
huit cents millions cent dix-huit

eight hundred million one hundred eighteen
pa i4 ling i pai i shih pa
or with option o3: pa i4 ling i pai shih pa
seven billion

7000000000000 zevenbiljoen
sieben Billionen
sept trillions
seven billion
ch'i chao

sept billion

7000000000 zevenmiljard
sieben Milliarden
sept billions
seven milliard
ch'i shih i4

siebenhundertsiebenundsiebzig

777 zevenhonderdzevenenzeventig
siebenhundertsiebenundsiebzig
sept cent soixante-dix-sept
seven hundred seventy-seven
ch'i pai ch'i shih ch'i

pa pai chiu

890 achthonderdnegentig
achthundertneunzig
huit cent quatre-vingt-dix
eight hundred ninety
pa pai chiu shih

or with option o2: pa pai chiu
five-and-twenty

25 vijfentwintig
fuenfundzwanzig
vingt-cinq
twenty-five
erh shih wu

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