A three-character code indicating the language used in descriptive cataloguing. For the list of codes see Appendix A. For codes use ISO 639-2 Codes for the Representation of Names of Languages (https://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/).

If a source record is completely multi-lingual, i.e. all information not from the title page is repeated in more than one language, it is recommended that a separate UNIMARC record should be produced, as required, for each language. See also Format structure 3.9.

UNIMARC has no mechanism to denote the language of individual fields throughout the format.