

***ankulaz** Runic: ᚦᚢᚱᚱᚱᚱᚱ Pronunciation: /'aŋ.ku.laz/

noun · masculine · a-stem

Meanings

ankle; the joint between the foot and lower leg

Etymology

Probably from Proto-Indo-European **h₂éng-ul-(o)-*, an *l*-formation from root **h₂eng-* (Kroonen 2013: 29). The semantic development was presumably ‘bend, angle’ > ‘joint’ > ‘ankle’. Close cognates include Latin *angulus* < **h₂eng-(e)lo-*, Sanskrit अङ्गुरि (*aṅgúri*) < **h₂eng-ul-i-*, and Proto-Slavic **qǫgьlь*, which Derksen likewise derives from **h₂eng-* (de Vaan 2008: 42–43; Derksen 2008: 385–86; Kroonen 2013: 29). Ancient Greek ἀγκύλος (*ankúlos*) is not an exact cognate: it reflects the related voiceless-root formation **h₂enkulós* from **h₂enk-*, which regularly yielded Proto-Germanic **angulaz* through Grimm's and Verner's laws (Ringe 2017: 123–24). The voiced root **h₂eng-* may itself have arisen from **h₂enk-* by assimilation of the stop to the preceding nasal, though the relationship between the two variants remains uncertain (de Vaan 2008: 42–43).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	ankulaz	ankulōz, ankulōs
Acc.	ankulą	ankulanz
Gen.	ankulas, ankulis	ankulô
Dat.	ankulai	ankulamaz
Inst.	ankulō	ankulamiz
Voc.	ankul	ankulōz, ankulōs

Descendants

***ankul**, ***ankil** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***enklow**, ***enkle**, ***ankel** (Old Dutch)

enkel, **ankel**, **inkel**, **enklauw**, **enclau**, **anclief**, **inclouwe** (Middle Dutch)

enkel, **enklauw** (Dutch)

enkel (Afrikaans)

***ankul**, ***ankil** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***ancol**, ***ancel**, **anclēo**, **anclēow** (Old English)

ankel, **ankyll**, **ancle**, **ankne**, **anknee** (Middle English)

ankle (English)

ankleth, **anklet** (Scots)

***ankul**, ***ankil** (Proto-West Germanic)

onkel, **anckel**, **inzil**, **onklef** (Old Frisian)

onkel (North Frisian)

Onkel, **Oankel** (Saterland Frisian)

ankel (West Frisian)

***ankul**, ***ankil** (Proto-West Germanic)

enkil, **ankala**, **anchlāo** (Old High German)

enkel (Middle High German)

Enkel (German)

***ankul**, ***ankil** (Proto-West Germanic)

enkel, **ankel** (Old Saxon)

ankel, **enkel**, **anclef**, **antcleve**, **antclau** (Middle Low German)

ankel (Danish)

Enkel (Low German)

ankel, **ankul**, **ankål** (Gutnish)

Enkel (Low German)

ankel (Norwegian Bokmål)

ankel (Swedish)

ṡkkla, **ṡkla**, **ṡkli** (Old Norse)

ṡkil, **ṡkul** (Faroese)

ökla, **ökli**, **ökkli** (Icelandic)

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