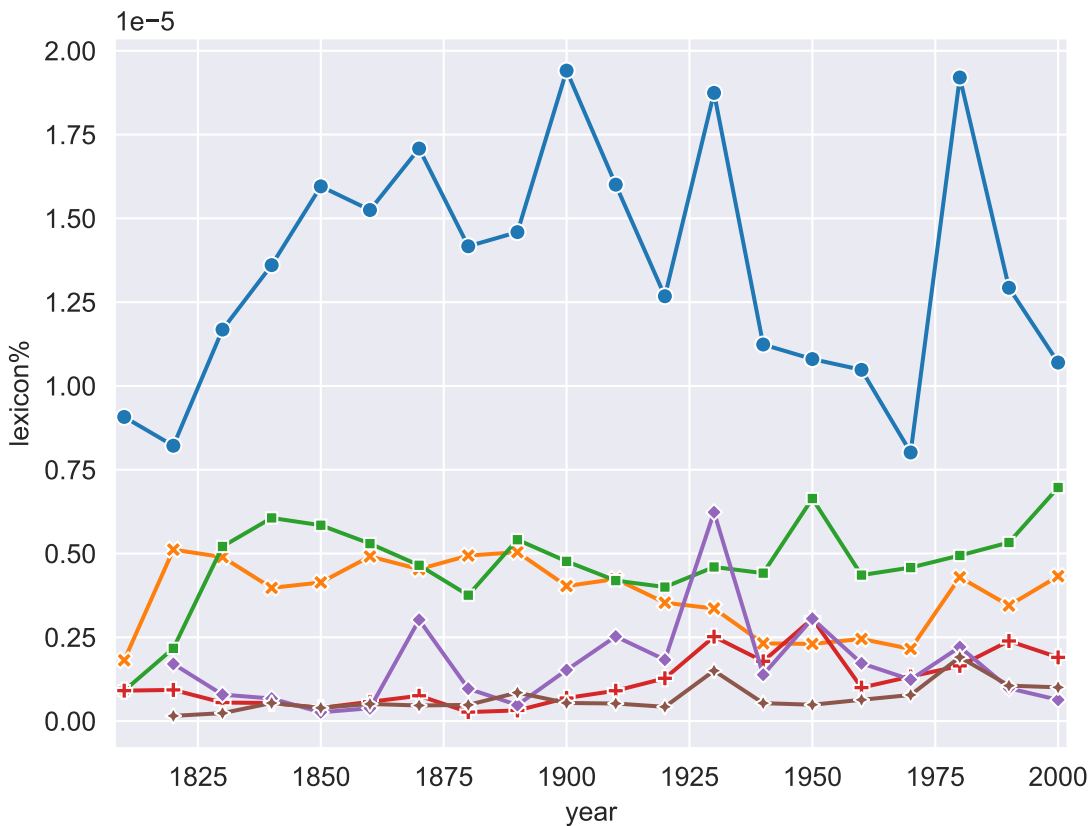thread