Comp 336/436 - Markup Languages

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Text Encoding Initiative - Consortium

- maintains a technical standard
- set of guidelines
- user wiki
- set of tools for development and processing
- currently predominant in social sciences and humanities, in particular
 - textual studies
 - literary studies
 - linguistic studies

Text Encoding Initiative - Contribute

- membership
- Special Interest Groups (SIG)
- currently 12 active groups
- wiki and mailing list
- Activities
 - various boards and membership groups
 - conferences
 - workgroups
 - project information

Text Encoding Initiative - Guidelines

a gentle introduction

- guidelines for electronic text encoding and interchange
- define and document a markup language for representing
 - structural
 - rendition
 - logical & semantic
 - analytic
- rules and recommendations rather than standard
- wide variety of possible solutions for encoding material
- freedom of expression of personal textual theory
- current version = P5
- ~ 569 elements, ~ 214 attributes...
- customisations such as TEI Lite

Text Encoding Initiative - Text Structure

- structural features
 - organisation of information in text
- TEI defines overall text structure using
 - front
 - body
 - group
 - back
- a consideration of rendition features

Text Encoding Initiative - Text Structure

some examples

Example structural features commonly found in prose, verse, and drama.

Prose

- paragraphs
- divisions <div>
- headings <head>
- lists <list>
- list item <item>
- quotations <q>
- page breaks <pb>
- segments <seg>
- figures <figure>
- tables

Verse

- linegroups <1g>
- lines <1>

Drama

- divisions <div>
- speeches <sp>
- paragraphs
- linegroups <1g>
- lines <1>
- segments <seg>

Text Encoding Initiative - Text Structure

conceptual usage

- how might we initially consider structuring a document
- a book
 - mainly consists of chapters, sections, paragraphs...
- poetry
 - commonly organised in poems, stanzas, lines...
- performance texts
 - often think in terms of scenes, acts, or parts of speech

Text Encoding Initiative - Rendition Features

- rendition features such as
 - distinct fonts
 - colours
 - alignments
 - italics, underline, bold
 - font weight...
- highlighting

```
<hi>italic words...</hi>
<hi rend="italic">italic words...</hi>
```

Malory Project - XML example

Text Encoding Initiative - Logical and Semantic features

- logical and semantic features such as
 - emphasis
 - foreign words
 - linguistically distinct words, phrases
- we can also consider
 - quotation marks
 - quotes
 - cited quotation...

Text Encoding Initiative - Analytical Features

- analytical features such as
 - notes and comments
 - marking for indexing
 - regularisation
 - editorial statements

part I

- I. TEI Infrastructure (tei)
- 2. Common metadata (header)
- 3. Common Core (core)
- 4. Default text structure (textstructure)
- 5. Character and Glyph Documentation (gaiji)
- TEl guidelines module list
- TEI Header example

part 2

- 6. Verse (verse)
- 7. Performance texts (drama)
- 8. Transcribed speech (spoken)
- 9. Print dictionaries (dictionaries)
- 10. Manuscript description (msdescription)

part 3

- II. Transcription of primary sources (transcr)
- 12. Text criticism (textcrit)
- 13. Names, Dates, People, and Places (namesdates)
- 14. Tables, Formulae, Figures (figures)
- 15. Metadata for language corpora (corpus)

part 4

- 16. Linking, segmentation, and alignment (linking)
- 17. Analysis and interpretation (analysis)
- 18. Feature structures (iso-fs)
- 19. Graphs, networks, and trees (nets)
- 20. Certainty and Uncertainty (certainty)
- 21. Documentation elements (tagdocs)

Common Data Structure & Elements

- expressed using XML
- elements for information
- attributes for additional information
- comments use standard delimiters

<!--this is a comment in TEI-->

TEI Document

- <teiHeader> documents all metadata for the TEI document
- <text> contains the document proper
- these elements are mandatory for all TEI documents
- this structure is contained within the <TEI> element

```
<TEI>
<teiHeader>...</teiHeader>
<text>...</text>
</TEI>
```

TEI Header <teiHeader>

- mandatory for all TEI documents
- <fileDesc> contains a description of the electronic file
- <fileDesc> consists of at least three mandatory elements
 - <titleStmt>
 - <publicationStmt>
 - <sourceDesc>

TEI Header <teiHeader > example

```
<teiHeader>
 <fileDesc>
   <titleStmt>
     <title>Around the World in Eighty Days</title>
     <respStmt>
       <resp>editor</resp>
       <name xml:id="NJH">Nicholas J Hayward</name>
     </respStmt>
   </titleStmt>
   <publicationStmt>
     Not for distribution.
   </publicationStmt>
   <sourceDesc>
     Transcribed from 1873 English Edition
   </sourceDesc>
 </fileDesc>
</teiHeader>
```

global attribute usage - xml:id

```
<!-- transcriber note -->
<note resp="#NJH">Possible mis-interpretation of author correction.</note>
<!-- editorial note -->
<note resp="#AL">correction meant as addition and not correction</note>
```

<text> & <body>

- minimally contains <body>
- <body> contains lower level text structures such as
 - •
 - or different structures for genres other than prose

<text> & <front>

```
<text>
  <front>
```

- optional element containing front matter such as
 - title pages, headers, prefaces, dedications...
- also consider prologues for drama, forewords and introductions for prose
- except for title, front matter should be encoded using generic standard elements

```
<front>
    <div type="dedication">
        a small dedication...
    </div>
</front>
```

<text> & <back>

- optional element and grouping
- may contain all back matter for a text
- either numbered or un-numbered divisions with @type attribute
- appendix
- glossary <list> of terms and their explanations
- notes
- bibliogr list of bibliographical citations <listBibl>
- index
- colophon

```
<back>
    <div type="colophon">
        Printed and bound by....
    </div>
    </back>
```

<text> - example

```
<text>
<front>
 <div type="dedication">
   personal dedication...
 <div type="contents">
   <head>Table of Contents</head>
   t>
     <item>1. No.1...</item>
     <item>2. No.2...</item>
     <item>3. No.3...</item>
   </list>
 </div>
</front>
<body>
 some body text goes here....
</body>
<back>
 <div type="colophon">
   Physical book conditions...
 </div>
</back>
</text>
```

unitary or composite texts

- TEl also allows us to encode composite texts
- group structurally related text in a <group> element within <text>
- organise texts as a corpus of diverse texts
 - using <teiCorpus> as the parent element for the group
- <group>
 - group structurally related text
- <teiCorpus>
 - corpus of diverse texts

Exercise - part I

```
<TEI>
 <teiHeader>
   <fileDesc>
     <titleStmt>
       <title>
         <!--Title-->
       </title>
     </titleStmt>
     <publicationStmt>
          <!--Publication Information-->
       </publicationStmt>
     <sourceDesc>
       >
         <!--Information about the source-->
       </sourceDesc>
   </fileDesc>
 </teiHeader>
 <text>
   <body>
     <!--Some structural division, paragraph, line group, speech, ...->
   </body>
 </text>
</TEI>
```

- using the above template
 - add some of the missing information as commented in the XML
 - write a simple XSL stylesheet to render the content and metadata to HTML
 - test in a browser
- ~ 15 minutes

- within the <teiHeader> we could add
 - the title of the text
 - <respStmt>
 - <publicationStmt>
 - <sourceDesc>
- within <text> we could add
 - <front> with a dedication and table of contents...
 - <body> with transcription etc of the text
 - <back> with a div of type 'colophon'...

<teiHeader> example

```
<teiHeader>
 <fileDesc>
   <titleStmt>
     <title>The Epic of Gilgamesh</title>
     <respStmt>
       <resp>editor</resp>
       <name xml:id="AL">Alasdair Livingstone</name>
     </respStmt>
   </titleStmt>
   <publicationStmt>
     Not for distribution.
   </publicationStmt>
   <sourceDesc>
     Transcribed from the diaries of Professor Wilfred Lambert
   </sourceDesc>
 </fileDesc>
</teiHeader>
```

<text> example

```
<text>
 <front>
   <div type="dedication">
     personal dedication...
   </div>
   <div type="contents">
     <head>Table of Contents</head>
       <item>1. No.1...</item>
       <item>2. No.2...</item>
       <item>3. No.3...</item>
     </list>
   </div>
</front>
<body>
   some body text goes here....
 </body>
<back>
   <div type="colophon">
     Physical book conditions...
   </div>
</back>
</text>
```

Text Encoding Initiative - textual phenomena

structural features

• Prose elements, e.g.

```
 <div> <head> <list> <item> <q> <pb> <seg> <figure> <tables>
```

Verse elements, e.g.

```
<lg> <1>
```

■ Drama elements, e.g.

```
<div> <sp>  <lg> <1> <seg>
```

Text Encoding Initiative - textual phenomena

structural features - examples

list

```
tem></item></list>
```

line groupings

segments

```
<seg type="preamble">
  <seg></seg>
  <seg></seg>
</seg>
```

quotations

```
<q></q>
```

an example with 'quoted' q

References

- Text Encoding Initiative TEI
- TEI P5 Guidelines
- TEI P5 Guidelines
- representation of primary sources
- facsimile
- surface
- zone