



# First Ground Truth for historic Sütterlin Reading Primers

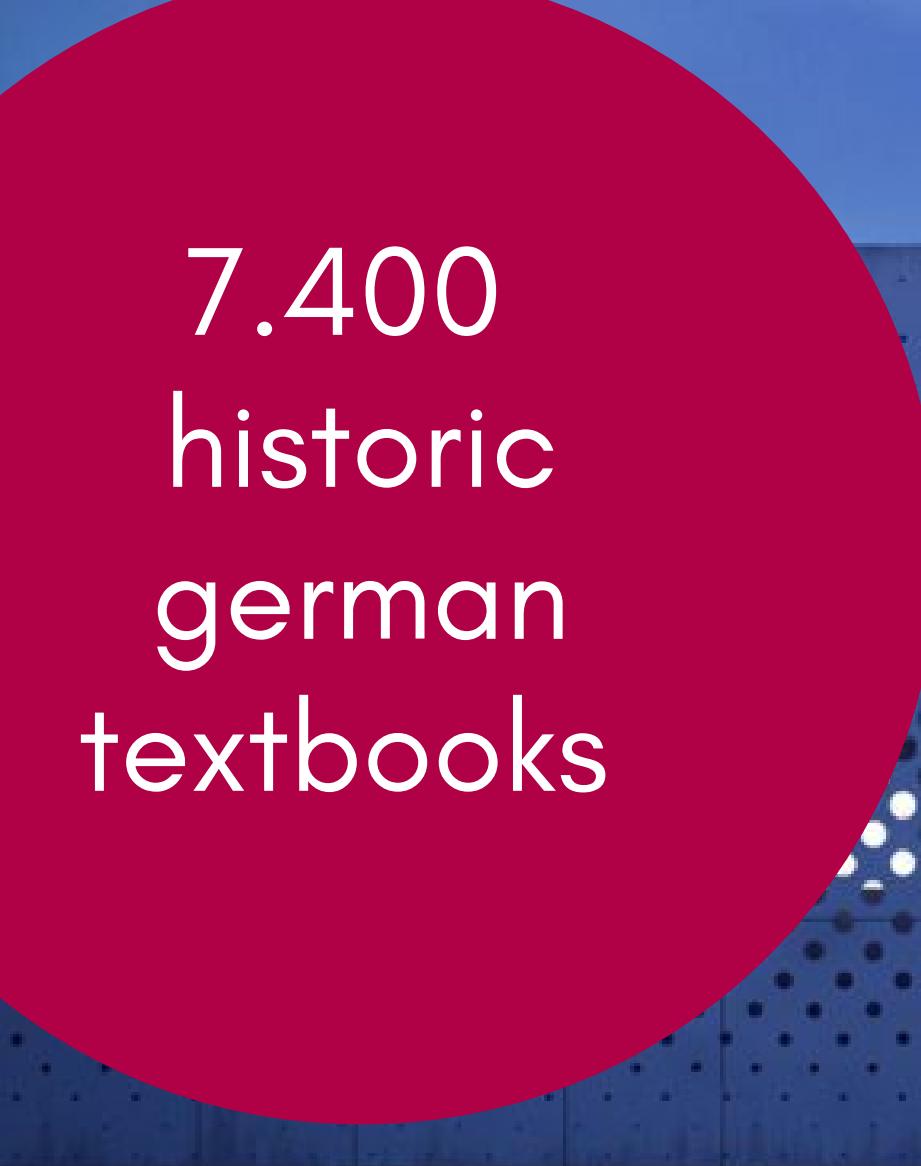
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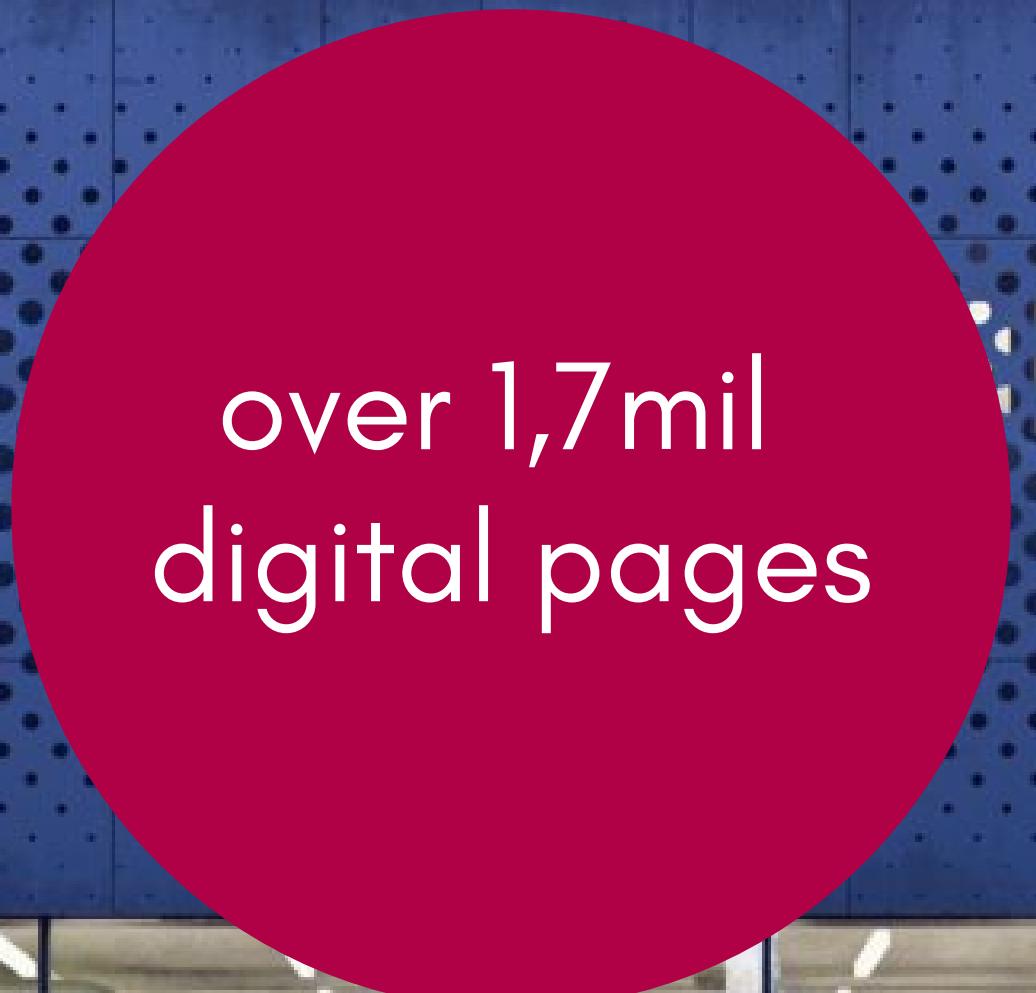
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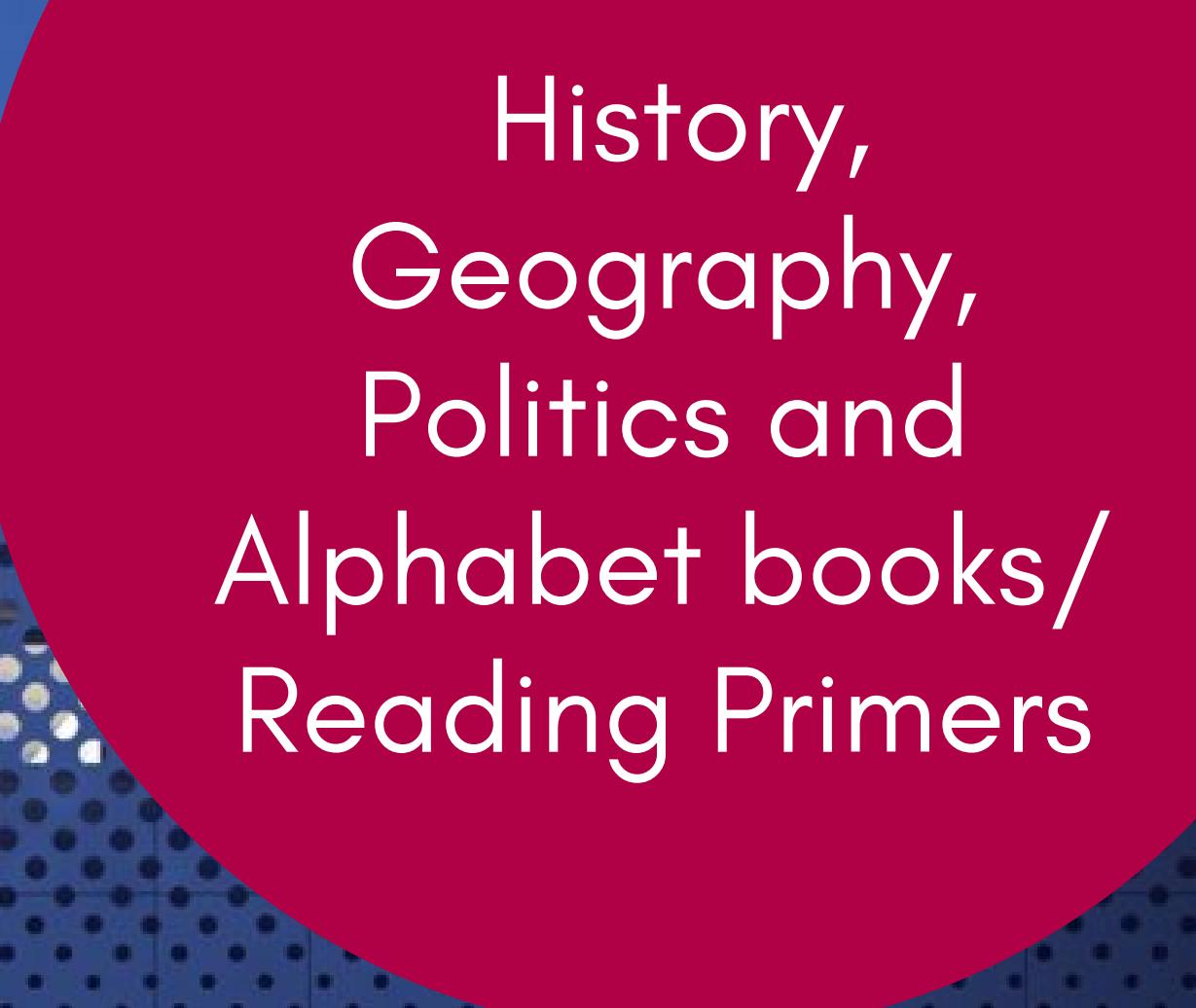
7.400  
historic  
german  
textbooks



from the start of  
textbook production  
until 1918



over 1,7mil  
digital pages



History,  
Geography,  
Politics and  
Alphabet books/  
Reading Primers



over 1,4mil  
full texts



divided in  
before 1871  
and  
German Empire  
(1871–1918)

oldest digitized from  
1650

about 250  
reading primers  
digitized

Management and  
Indexing  
with Goobi

before 1871  
circa 500 books  
circa 35.000 pages

German Empire  
circa 300 books  
circa 24.000 pages

A photograph showing a row of antique children's books standing upright on a shelf. The books are bound in various colors like brown, green, and red, and show signs of age and wear. Some titles are visible on the spines.

Convey  
key messages  
of  
Christian teaching

Reading Primers  
≠  
Alphabet Books

Genre  
children's books

small  
research area

compulsory  
schooling  
around 1850

# Sütterlin

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**Chor,  
Choral,  
Christfest,  
Weihnachten.**

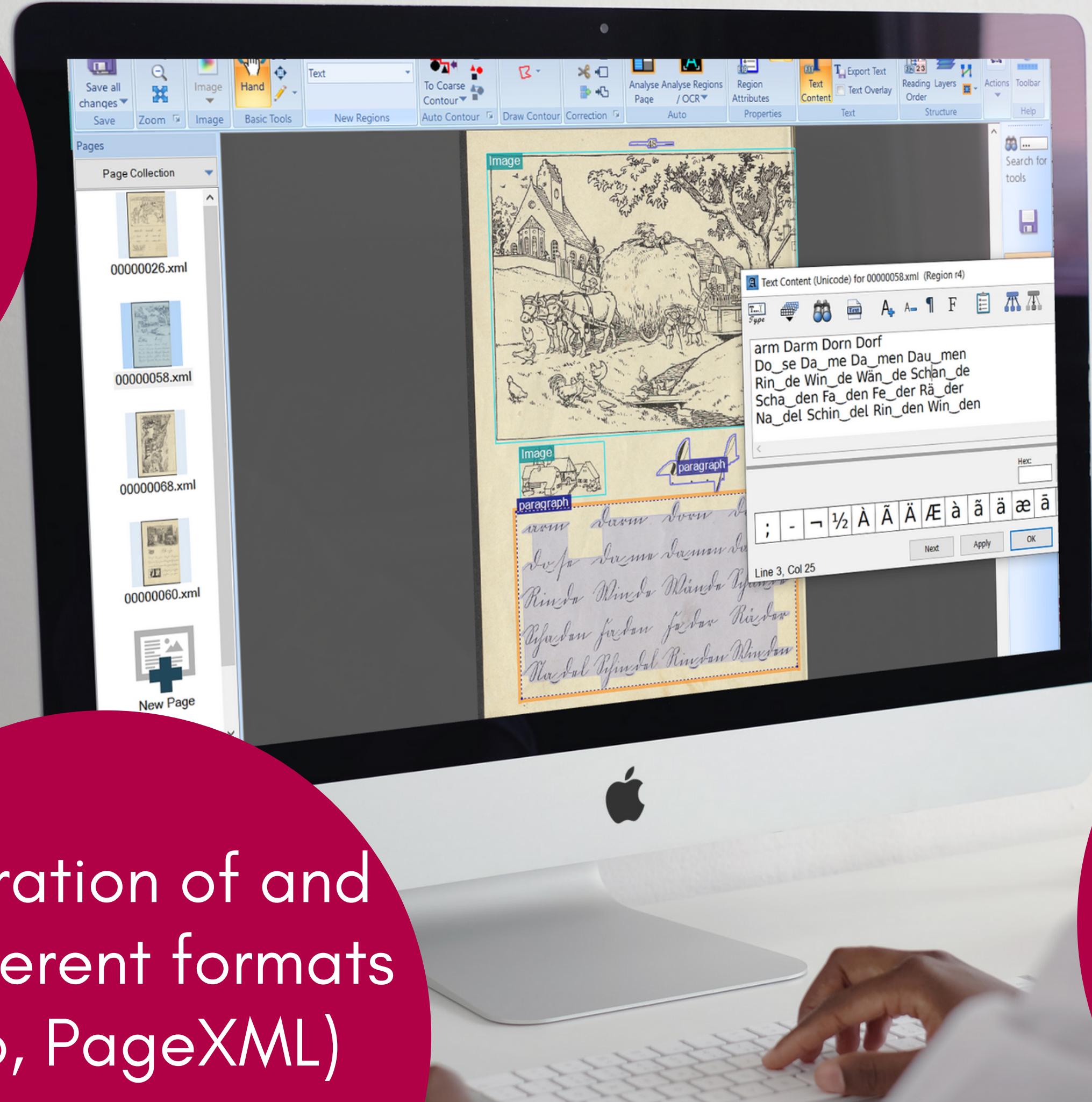
Development  
of new OCR  
models



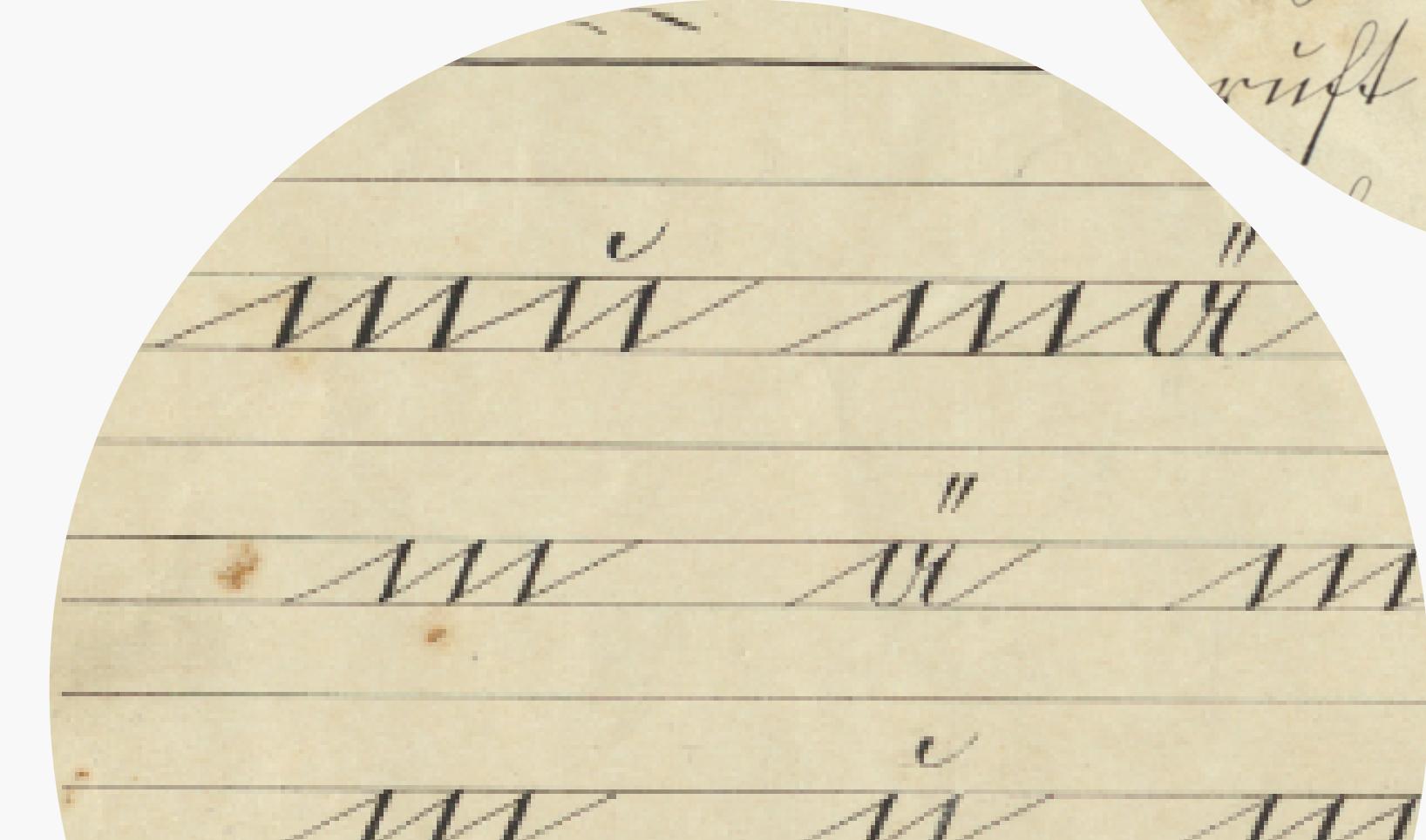
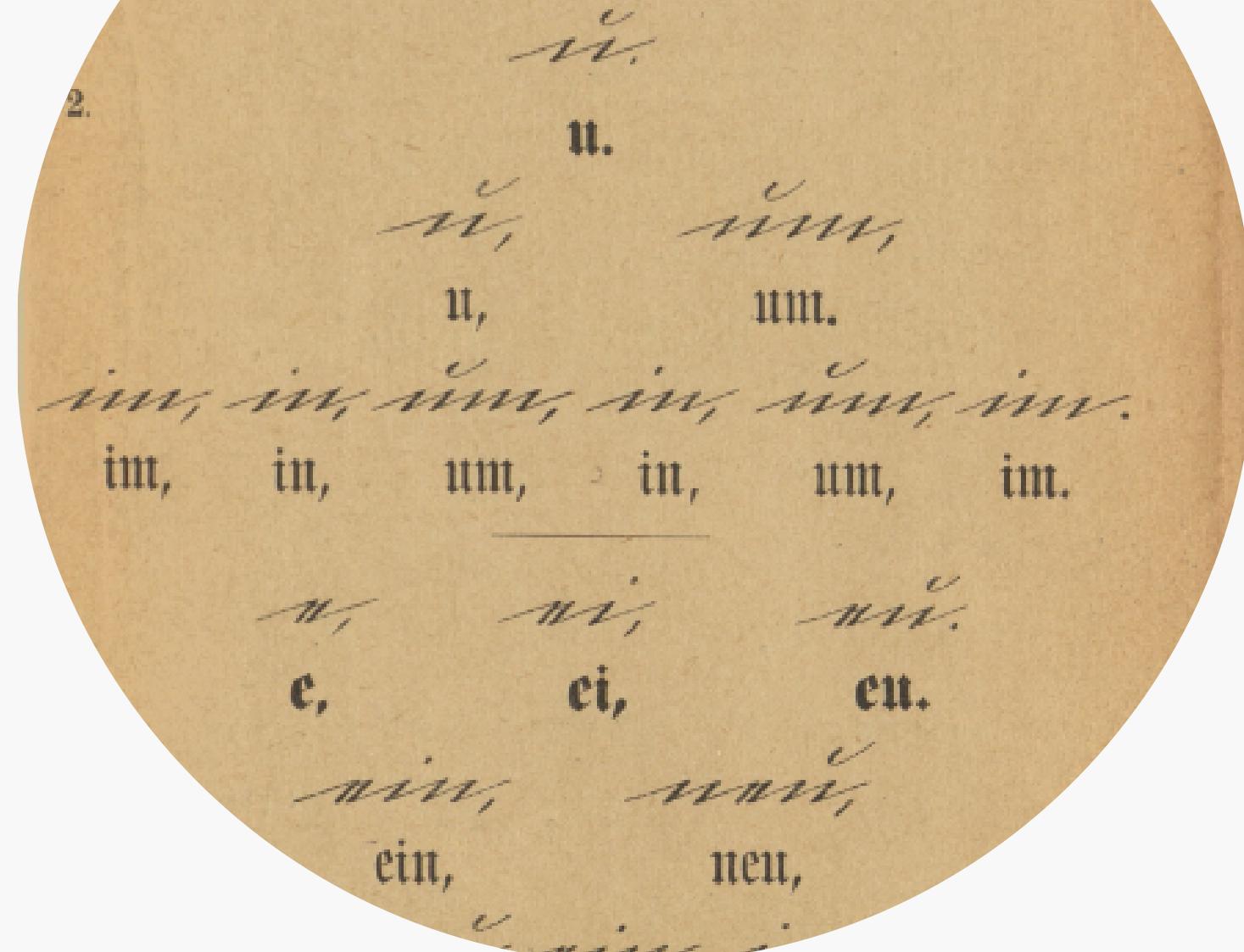
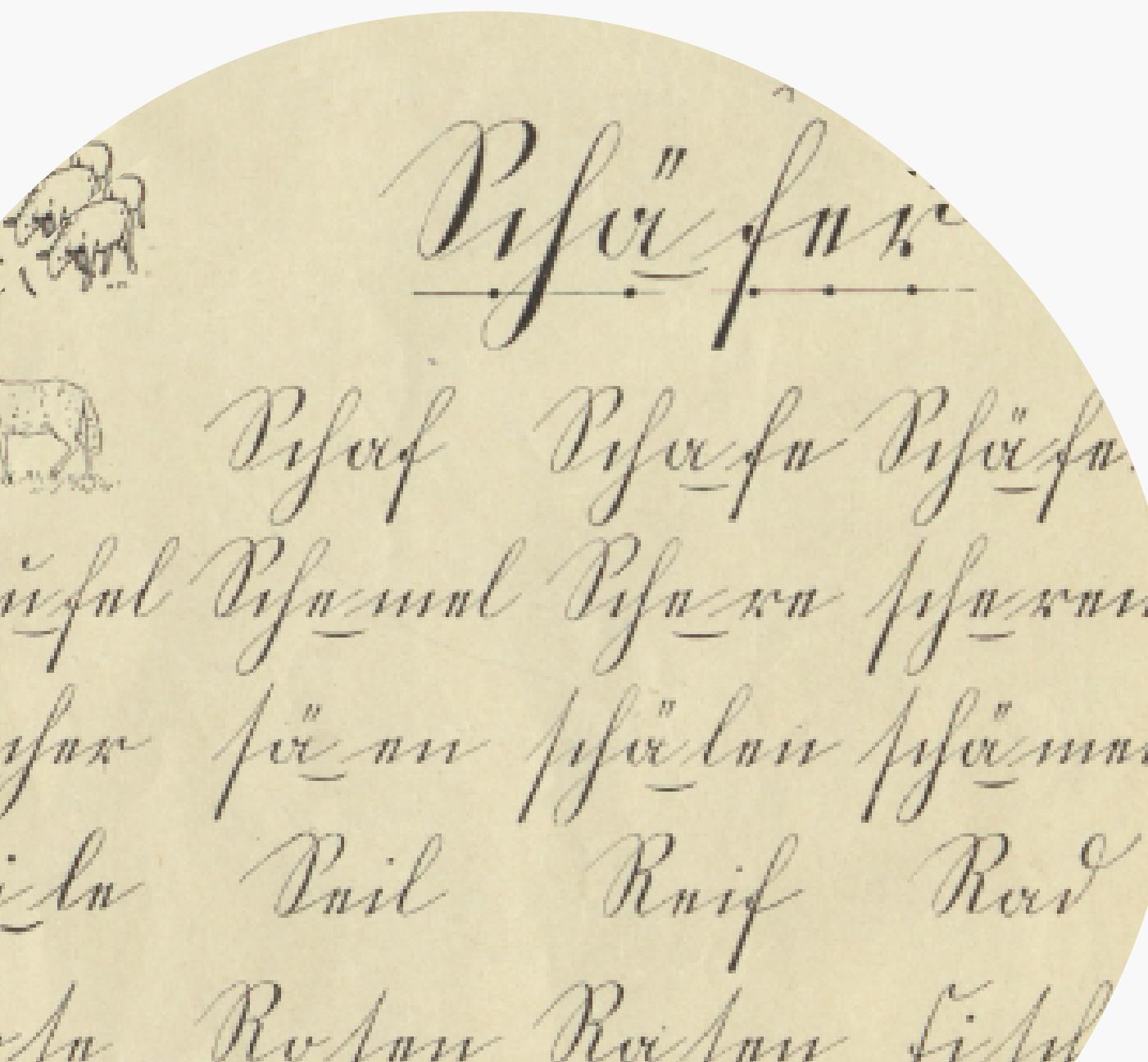
Integration and  
optimization of  
existing OCR  
models

Integration of and  
to different formats  
(Alto, PageXML)

AletheiaPro



# Challenges



# Ground Truth at Github

in Cooperation  
with UB  
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Merry Christmas!

