

# HS Corpus Linguistics / Korpuslinguistik

## 4. Corpus design & linguistic annotation

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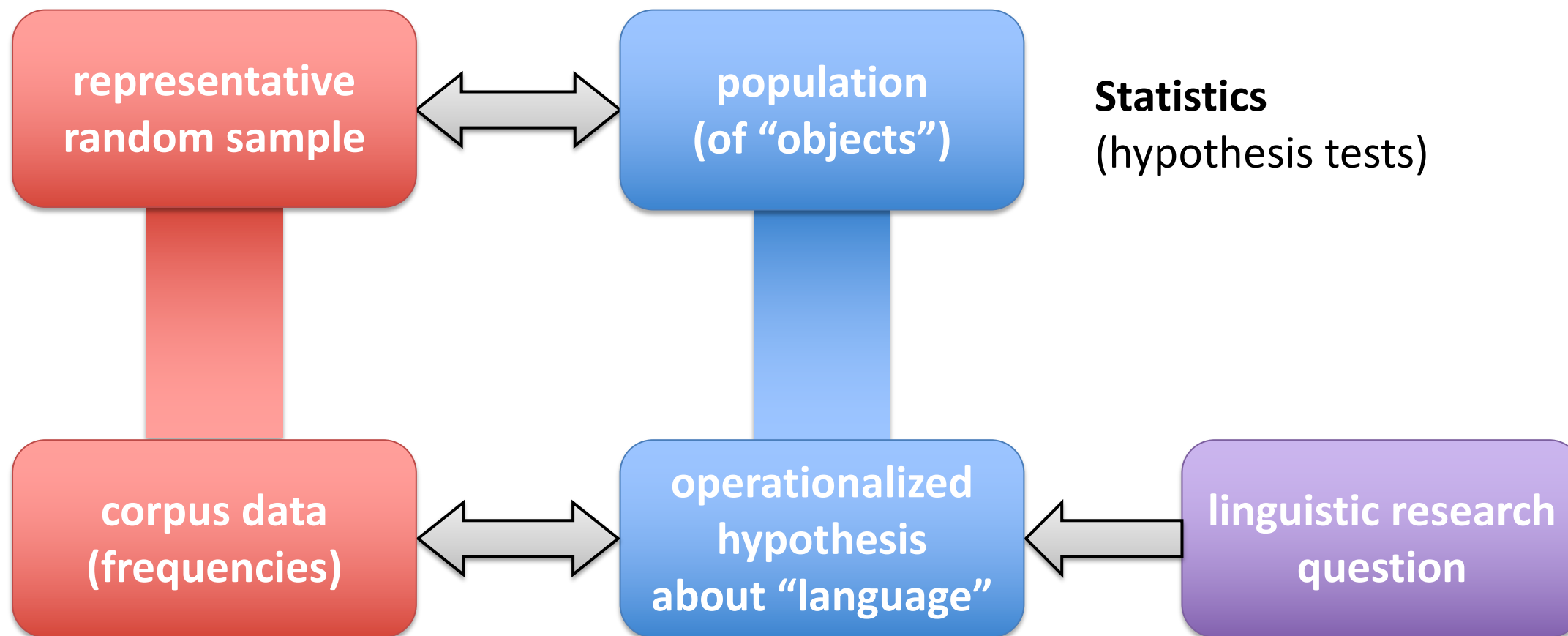
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# What is representativeness?



- **Representativeness**

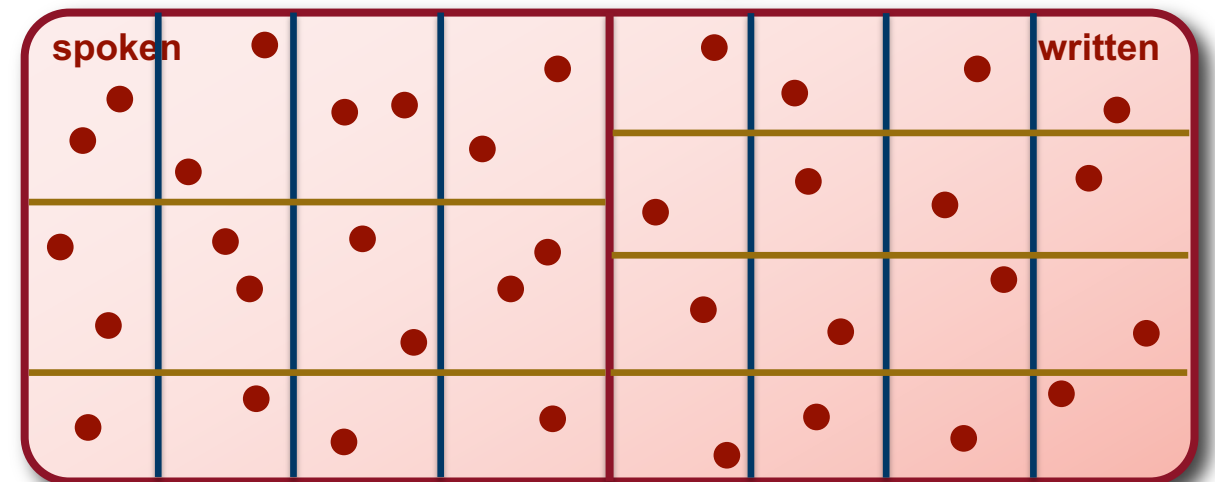
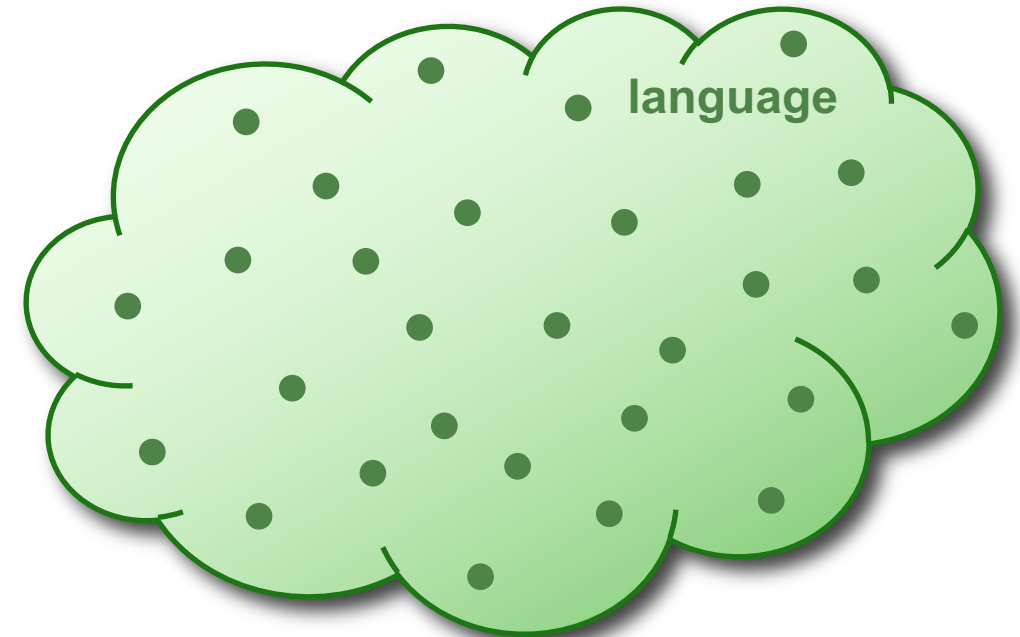
- a corpus should be representative of the (sub-)language to be studied
- statistics: random sample
- full representativeness difficult to achieve
- must at least be **balanced** (= good coverage of different registers, speakers, ...)
- and avoid **bias** or **skew** towards any particular group of speakers, text type, topic, ...

- **Comparability**

- corpus linguistic analysis often builds on frequency comparison between different corpora or sub-corpora
- prerequisite: comparable corpora

# Representativeness & sampling

- Statistics: completely **random sample**
  - extensional population of interest, i.e. a (possibly infinite) collection of objects
  - randomly select  $n$  objects from population
- But what about language?
- Design criteria → **sampling frame**
  - dices up and defines linguistic population → make relevant texts **identifiable**
  - “A sampling frame is an operational definition of the population, an itemized listing of population members from which a representative corpus can be chosen.” (Biber 1993, 244)
  - pick specified number of items from each cell (related to **stratified sampling**)



**sampling frame**

# Representativeness & sampling

- Definition of a sampling frame
  - fundamental distinctions: mode (spoken/written/written-to-be-spoken), medium
  - text characteristics: (publication) date, author (single/multi/anon), region, target audience, ...
  - function of text: genre / text type (factuality, purpose, situation, ...), topic domain, ...
  - properties of author/speaker: sex, age, dialect, social class, ...
  - see Atkins et al. (1992) for a comprehensive system of categories
- Balance
  - include texts from all (combinations of) categories in the sampling frame = grid cells
  - avoids bias/skew → balanced coverage of the “language” population
- Representativeness
  - sampling frame makes population identifiable (for each combination of categories)  
→ random selection of texts for each cell
  - must specify **proportion of texts** to be sampled from each category = prevalence in language

## Further reading

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- Atkins, Sue; Clear, Jeremy; Ostler, Nicholas (1992). *Corpus design criteria. Literary and Linguistic Computing*, **7**(1), 1–16.
- Biber, Douglas (1993). *Representativeness in corpus design. Literary and Linguistic Computing*, **8**(4), 243– 257.
- HSK 29.1 *Corpus Linguistics*, [Art. 9](#)
- HSK 5.4 *Dictionaries: Computational Lexicography*, [Art. 96](#) (Ch. XVIII)

How would you design a corpus for a study  
of evaluative language in music reviews?

... or another research question?

# Assignment of presentation topics



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# A corpus consists of ...

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- **Object data** = texts
  - primary data, main object of analysis
- **Metadata** = information about the texts
  - title, author, publication date, text type, medium, ...
  - age, sex, education, region, dialect, ... of authors
  - always include all variables used to define sampling frame
- **Typographic markup** & text structure
  - paragraphs, headings, bold/italics, typeface, itemized lists, footnotes, ...
- **Annotation** = linguistic interpretation
  - simple (token level) vs. structured (e.g. syntax tree)
  - essential for querying and analyzing large corpora

It seemed a day much as any other until I happened to look out of the back window. There was a little garden behind the house; a well-mown lawn surrounded by a neatly cut hedge, a few bushes and colourful flowers.

**metadata**

title:	The Garden
author:	Stefan Evert
author sex:	male
date:	05.08.1991

It seemed a day much as any other until I happened to look out of the back **window** . There was a little garden behind the **house** ; a well-mown lawn surrounded by a neatly cut **hedge** , a few bushes and colourful **flowers** .

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# Corpus annotation: part-of-speech (POS) tagging

<S> It<sub>PP</sub> seemed<sub>VBD</sub> a<sub>DT</sub> day<sub>NN</sub> much<sub>RB</sub> as<sub>IN</sub> any<sub>DT</sub> other<sub>JJ</sub> until<sub>IN</sub> I<sub>PP</sub>  
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# English: Penn tagset

\* with TreeTagger-internal modifications



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<b>CC</b>	Coordinating conjunction
<b>CD</b>	Cardinal number
<b>DT</b>	Determiner
<b>EX</b>	Existential <i>there</i>
<b>FW</b>	Foreign word
<b>IN</b>	Preposition / subordinating conjunction
* <b>IN/that</b>	Subordinating conjunction <i>that</i>
<b>JJ</b>	Adjective (positive)
<b>JJR</b>	Adjective (comparative)
<b>JJS</b>	Adjective (superlative)
<b>LS</b>	List item marker
<b>MD</b>	Modal verb
<b>NN</b>	Noun, singular or mass
<b>NNS</b>	Noun, plural
<b>NP</b>	Proper noun, singular
<b>NPS</b>	Proper noun, plural
<b>PDT</b>	Predeterminer
<b>POS</b>	Possessive ending ('s)
<b>PP</b>	Personal pronoun
<b>PP\$</b>	Possessive pronoun
<b>RB</b>	Adverb
<b>RP</b>	Particle
<b>SYM</b>	Symbol (mathematical/scientific)
<b>TO</b>	<i>to</i> (any usage) <i>fly to Paris, ready to go, ...</i>
<b>UH</b>	Interjection
<b>#</b>	Pound sign    £
<b>\$</b>	Dollar sign    \$

<b>VB</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , base form
<b>VBD</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , past tense
<b>VBG</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , gerund/progressive
<b>VBN</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , past participle
<b>VBP</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , non-3rd pers. sg. present
<b>VBZ</b>	Verb <i>be</i> , 3rd pers. sg. present tense
* <b>VH</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , base form
* <b>VHD</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , past tense
* <b>VHG</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , gerund/progressive
* <b>VHN</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , past participle
* <b>VHP</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , non-3rd pers. sg. present
* <b>VHZ</b>	Verb <i>have</i> , 3rd pers. sg. present tense
* <b>VV</b>	Lexical verb, base form
* <b>VVD</b>	Lexical verb, past tense
* <b>VVG</b>	Lexical verb, gerund/progressive
* <b>VVN</b>	Lexical verb, past participle
* <b>VVP</b>	Lexical verb, non-3rd pers. sg. present
* <b>VVZ</b>	Lexical verb, 3rd pers. sg. present tense
<b>WDT</b>	Wh-determiner
<b>WP</b>	Wh-pronoun
<b>WP\$</b>	Possessive wh-pronoun
<b>WRB</b>	Wh-adverb
<b>SENT</b>	Sentence-final punctuation    . ! ?
<b>,</b>	Comma    ,
<b>:</b>	Colon, semi-colon    : ;
<b>( )</b>	Comma    ( [ ] )
<b>` ' "</b>	Comma    " ... ' ... "

# German: STTS tagset

<b>ADJA</b>	attributives Adjektiv
<b>ADJD</b>	adverbiales / prädikatives Adjektiv
<b>ADV</b>	Adverb <i>schon, bald, doch</i>
<b>APPR</b>	Präposition / Zirkumposition links
<b>APPRART</b>	Präposition mit Artikel fusioniert <i>zum</i>
<b>APPO</b>	Postposition <i>zufolge, wegen</i>
<b>APZR</b>	Zirkumposition rechts <i>von ... an</i>
<b>ART</b>	bestimmter oder unbestimmter Artikel
<b>CARD</b>	Kardinalzahlen (Ordinalzahl = ADJA)
<b>FM</b>	Fremdsprachliches Material
<b>ITJ</b>	Interjektion <i>mhm, ach, tja</i>
<b>KOUI</b>	unterordnende Konj. mit <i>zu</i> + Inf
<b>KOUS</b>	unterordnende Konjunktion mit Satz
<b>KON</b>	nebenordnende Konjunktion <i>und, oder</i>
<b>KOKOM</b>	Vergleichskonjunktion <i>als, wie</i>
<b>NN</b>	normales Nomen
<b>NE</b>	Eigenname
<b>PDS</b>	substituierendes Demonstrativpron.
<b>PDAT</b>	attribuierendes Demonstrativpron.
<b>PIS</b>	substituierendes Indefinitpron.
<b>PIAT</b>	attrib. Indefinitpron. ohne Determiner
<b>PIDAT</b>	attrib. Indefinitpron. mit Determiner
<b>PPER</b>	Personalpronomen (nicht reflexiv)
<b>PPOSS</b>	substituierendes Possessivpronomen
<b>PPOSAT</b>	attribuierendes Possessivpronomen
<b>PRELS</b>	substituierendes Relativpronomen
<b>PRELAT</b>	attribuierendes Relativpronomen

<b>PRF</b>	reflexives Personalpronomen
<b>PWS</b>	substituierendes Interrogativpron.
<b>PWAT</b>	attribuierendes Interrogativpronomen
<b>PWAV</b>	adverbiales Interrogativ-/Relativpron.
<b>PAV</b>	Pronominaladverb <i>dafür, deswegen</i>
<b>PTKZU</b>	<i>zu</i> vor Infinitiv
<b>PTKNEG</b>	Negationspartikel <i>nicht</i>
<b>PTKVZ</b>	abgetrennter Verbzusatz <i>kommt ... an</i>
<b>PTKANT</b>	Antwortpartikel <i>ja, nein, danke</i>
<b>PTKA</b>	Partikel bei Adjektiv/Adverb <i>am, zu</i>
<b>TRUNC</b>	Kompositions-Erstglied <i>Unter- und ...</i>
<b>VVFIN</b>	finites Verb, voll (= lexikalisch)
<b>VVIMP</b>	Imperativ, voll
<b>VVINFIN</b>	Infinitiv, voll
<b>VVIZU</b>	Infinitiv mit <i>zu</i> , voll
<b>VVPP</b>	Partizip Perfekt, voll
<b>VAFIN</b>	finites Hilfsverb
<b>VAIMP</b>	Imperativ, Hilfsverb
<b>VAINF</b>	Infinitiv, Hilfsverb
<b>VAPP</b>	Partizip Perfekt, Hilfsverb
<b>VMFIN</b>	Finites Modalverb
<b>VMINFIN</b>	Infinitiv, Modalverb
<b>VMPP</b>	Partizip Perfekt, Modalverb
<b>XY</b>	Nichtwort mit Sonderzeichen <i>3:7, H2O</i>
<b>\$,</b>	Komma ,
<b>\$.</b>	Satzbeendende Interpunktion <i>. ? ! ; :</i>
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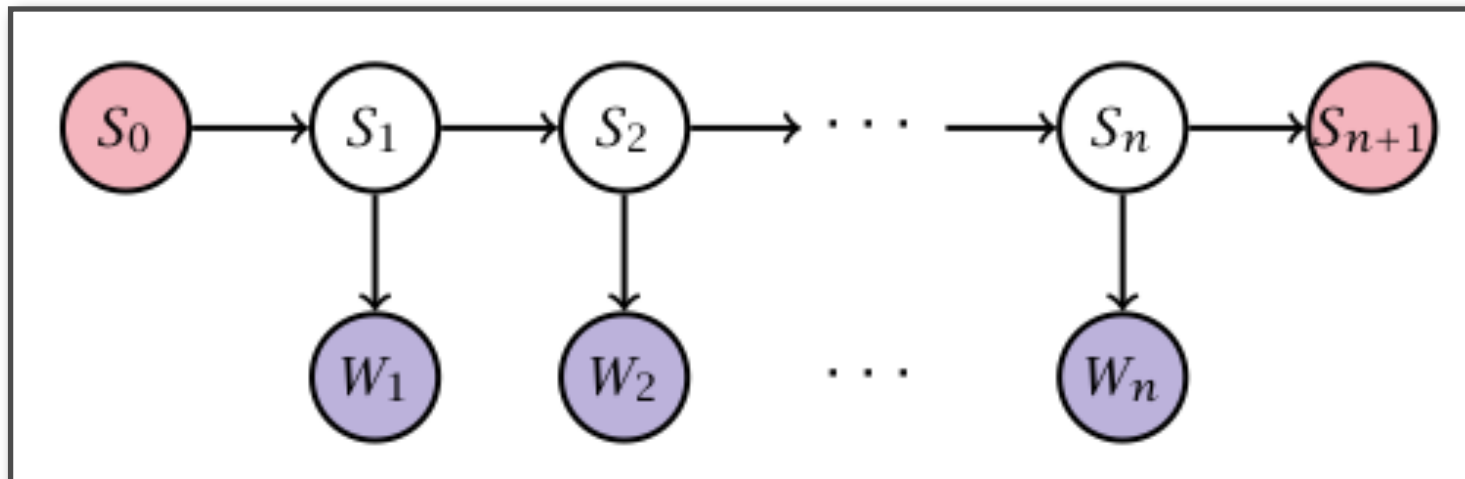
# Manual annotation

- Manual annotation for small, high-quality corpora
  - e.g. digital edition, political speeches, poetry/song texts, ...
- **Annotation schema** and categories
- **Guidelines** = detailed instructions for annotators
  - plus collection of examples for unclear / difficult cases
- Annotation tools (usually Web-based)
  - e.g. INCEpTION (<https://inception-project.github.io>), Prodigy (<https://prodi.gy>)
- **Inter-Annotator Agreement (IAA)**
  - reliability and validity of the annotation
  - annotator mistakes vs. systematic differences



# Automatic annotation

- Most successful approach: machine learning
- Need to cast annotation as **classification task**
- **Gold standard** = corpus with manual annotation
  - annotation must be consistent, errors seem unproblematic
  - separate into training, development and test data
- Example: tagging with **Hidden Markov Model** (HMM)
  - see e.g. Brants (2000), Schmid (1995)



(Evert et al. 2009)

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# Corpus annotation: lemmatization

<S> It<sub>PP</sub><sup>it</sup> seemed<sub>VBD</sub><sup>seem</sup> a<sub>DT</sub><sup>a</sup> day<sub>NN</sub><sup>day</sup> much<sub>RB</sub><sup>much</sup> as<sub>IN</sub><sup>as</sup> any<sub>DT</sub><sup>any</sup>  
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the<sub>DT</sub><sup>the</sup> house<sub>NN</sub><sup>house</sup> ; ; a<sub>DT</sub><sup>a</sup> well-mown<sub>VBN</sub><sup>???</sup> lawn<sub>NN</sub><sup>lawn</sup>  
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need better  
representation format

# XML markup of annotation

## Standard for data interchange & archiving

XML markup of annotation

```
<corpus>  
  <story num="6" title="The Garden">  
    <p>  
      <s>  
        <token pos="PP" lemma="it">It</token>  
        <token pos="VBD" lemma="seem">seemed</token>  
        <token pos="DT" lemma="a">a</token>  
        <token pos="NN" lemma="day">day</token>  
        <token pos="RB" lemma="much">much</token>  
        <token pos="IN" lemma="as">as</token>  
        <token pos="DT" lemma="any">any</token>  
        <token pos="JJ" lemma="other">other</token>  
        <token pos="IN" lemma="until">until</token>  
        <token pos="PP" lemma="I">I</token>  
      </s>  
    </p>  
  </story>  
</corpus>
```

Annotations:

- root element
- element annotated with attributes
- start tag of XML element
- corresponding end tag

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> ← XML declaration
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    </p>
  </story>
</corpus>
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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<corpus>
  <metadata> ← metadata header
    <author>
      <name>Stefan Evert</name>
      <sex>male</sex>
    </author>
    <publication>
      <title>Very Short Stories</title>
      <type>collection</type>
      <genre>fiction</genre>
    </publication>
  </metadata>
  <story num="6" title="The Garden">
    <p>
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    </p>
  </story>
</corpus>
```

- **XML** (Extensible Markup Language) is a widely-used standard for structured annotation
- A **well-formed** XML document only specifies the structure of annotation, not its semantics
- **DTD** (document type declaration) or **XML Schema** specify valid element & attribute names
  - still doesn't explain semantics without documentation!
- Exchange formats for text corpora:  
**TEI** (Text Encoding Initiative), **XCES** (Corpus Encoding Standard),  
**ISO 24612: LAF** (Linguistic Annotation Framework)
  - but more efficient representation requiredd for corpus search etc.

# TEI standard (BNC)

```
H9C.xml* x
1 <bncDoc xml:id="H9C">
2   <teiHeader>
3     <fileDesc>
4       <titleStmt>
5         <title> The prince of darkness. Sample containing about 44223 words from a book
6           (domain: imaginative) </title>
7       <respStmt>
8         <resp> Data capture and transcription </resp>
9         <name> Oxford University Press </name>
10      </respStmt>
11    </titleStmt>
12    <editionStmt>
13      <edition>BNC XML Edition, December 2006</edition>
14    </editionStmt>
15    <extent> 44223 tokens; 44797 w-units; 3933 s-units </extent>
16    <publicationStmt>
17      <distributor>Distributed under licence by Oxford University Computing Services on
18        behalf of the BNC Consortium.</distributor>
19      <availability> This material is protected by international copyright laws and may
20        not be copied or redistributed in any way. Consult the BNC Web Site at
21        http://www.natcorp.ox.ac.uk for full licencing and distribution
22        conditions.</availability>
23      <idno type="bnc">H9C</idno>
24      <idno type="old"> PDarkn </idno>
25    </publicationStmt>
26    <sourceDesc>
27      <bibl>
28        <title>The prince of darkness. </title>
29        <author domicile="Epping" n="DoherP1">Doherty, P C</author>
30        <imprint n="HEADLI1">
31          <publisher>Headline Book Publishing plc</publisher>
32          <pubPlace>London</pubPlace>
33          <date value="1992">1992</date>
34        </imprint>
35      </bibl>
36    </sourceDesc>
37  </fileDesc>
38  <encodingDesc>
39    <tagsDecl>
40      <namespace name="">
41        <tagUsage tag="c" occurs="0764"/>
```

TEI header = metadata

text from British National Corpus

information about this text



```
80 <wtext type="FICTION">
81   <pb n="69"/>
82   <div level="1">
83     <head>
84       <s n="2">
85         <w c5="NN1" hw="chapter" pos="SUBST">Chapter </w>
86         <w c5="CRD" hw="5" pos="ADJ">5</w>
87       </s>
88     </head>
89     <p>
90       <s n="3">
91         <w c5="VVB-NN1" hw="ranulf" pos="VERB">Ranulf </w>
92         <w c5="CJC" hw="and" pos="CONJ">and </w>
93         <w c5="NP0" hw="dame" pos="SUBST">Dame </w>
94         <w c5="NP0" hw="agatha" pos="SUBST">Agatha </w>
95         <w c5="VBD" hw="be" pos="VERB">were </w>
96         <w c5="VVG" hw="wait" pos="VERB">waiting </w>
97         <w c5="PRP" hw="for" pos="PREP">for </w>
98         <w c5="PNP" hw="he" pos="PRON">him </w>
99         <w c5="PRP" hw="near" pos="PREP">near </w>
100        <w c5="AT0" hw="the" pos="ART">the </w>
101        <w c5="NN1-NP0" hw="galilee" pos="SUBST">Galilee </w>
102        <w c5="NN1" hw="gate" pos="SUBST">Gate</w>
103        <c c5="PUN">, </c>
104        <w c5="AT0" hw="the" pos="ART">the </w>
105        <w c5="AJ0" hw="young" pos="ADJ">young </w>
106        <w c5="NN1" hw="nun" pos="SUBST">nun </w>
107        <w c5="AV0" hw="apparently" pos="ADV">apparently </w>
108        <w c5="VVG" hw="enjoy" pos="VERB">enjoying </w>
109        <w c5="AT0" hw="an" pos="ART">an </w>
110        <w c5="NN1" hw="account" pos="SUBST">account </w>
111        <w c5="PRF" hw="of" pos="PREP">of </w>
112        <w c5="CRD" hw="one" pos="ADJ">one </w>
113        <w c5="PRF" hw="of" pos="PREP">of </w>
114        <w c5="DPS" hw="he" pos="PRON">his </w>
115        <w c5="NN1" hw="manservant" pos="SUBST">manservant</w>
116        <w c5="POS" hw="'s" pos="UNC">'s </w>
117        <w c5="DT0" hw="many" pos="ADJ">many </w>
118        <w c5="NN2" hw="escapade" pos="SUBST">escapades </w>
119        <w c5="PRP" hw="in" pos="PREP">in </w>
120        <w c5="NP0" hw="london" pos="SUBST">London</w>
121        <c c5="PUN">.</c>
```

TEI body = object data + annotation

structure & typographic markup

tokens + token-level annotations

**principle:**

raw text (= object data)  
can be reconstructed by  
deleting all XML tags

# Vertical text format (.vrt)

Simpler, more efficient format → used by CWB & NLP tools



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```
<corpus>
<story title="The Garden">
<p>
<s>
It      PP      it
seemed VBD      seem
a       DT      a
day     NN      day
much    RB      much
as       IN      as
any     DT      any
other   JJ      other
until   IN      until
I       PP      I
...
</s>
</p>
</story>
</corpus>
```

TAB characters (`\t`, `\x09`)

## metadata

title:	The Garden
author:	Stefan Evert
author sex:	male
date:	05.08.1991

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Text metadata encoded in XML start tags (not in header!)



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```
<corpus>
<text title="The Garden" author="Stefan Evert" author_sex="male"
      date="1991-08-05">
  <p num="1">
    <s>
      It      PP    it
      seemed VBD   seem
      a       DT    a
      day     NN    day
      much    RB    much
      as      IN    as
      any     DT    any
      other   JJ    other
      until   IN    until
      I       PP    I
      ...
    </s>
  </p>
</text>
</corpus>
```

CQPweb requires **<text>**,  
SketchEngine prefers **<doc>**

sub-text level metadata

<http://universaldependencies.org/docs/format.html>

```
# story: "The Garden"
```

```
# paragraph #1
```

```
1  It      PP    it
2  seemed VBD   seem
3  a       DT    a
4  fine    JJ    fine
5  day     NN    day
6  .       SENT .
```

these are just comments

blank lines = sentence boundaries

```
1  There   EX    there
2  was     VBD   be
3  an      DT    a
4  elephant NN    elephant
5  .       SENT .
```

```
# this is the end of the file
```

token numbers (within sentence)

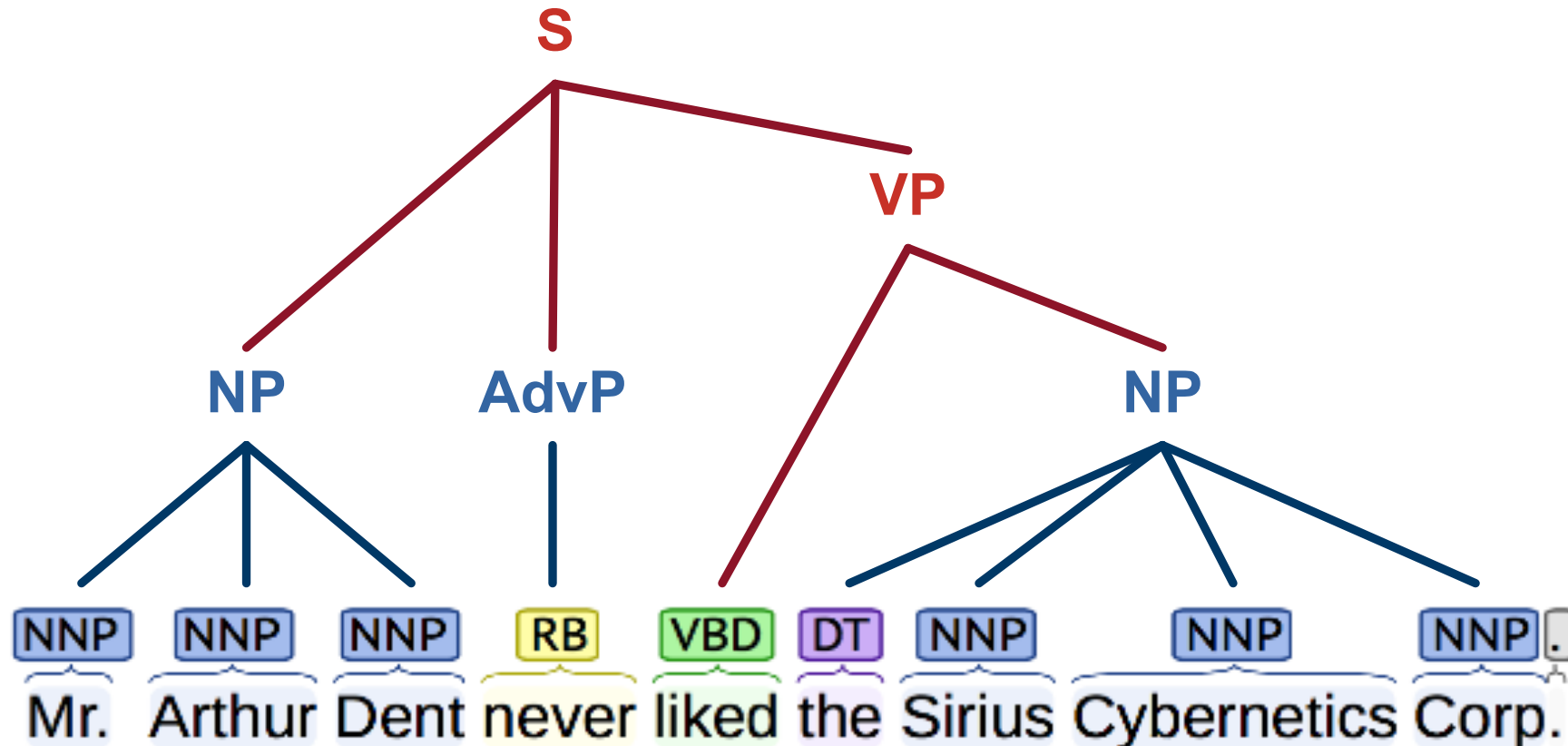
- Automatic recognition and categorization of particular word sequences (segments)
- e.g. named entities (**NER** = named entity recognition)

Mr. Person Arthur Dent never liked the Organization Sirius Cybernetics Corp.

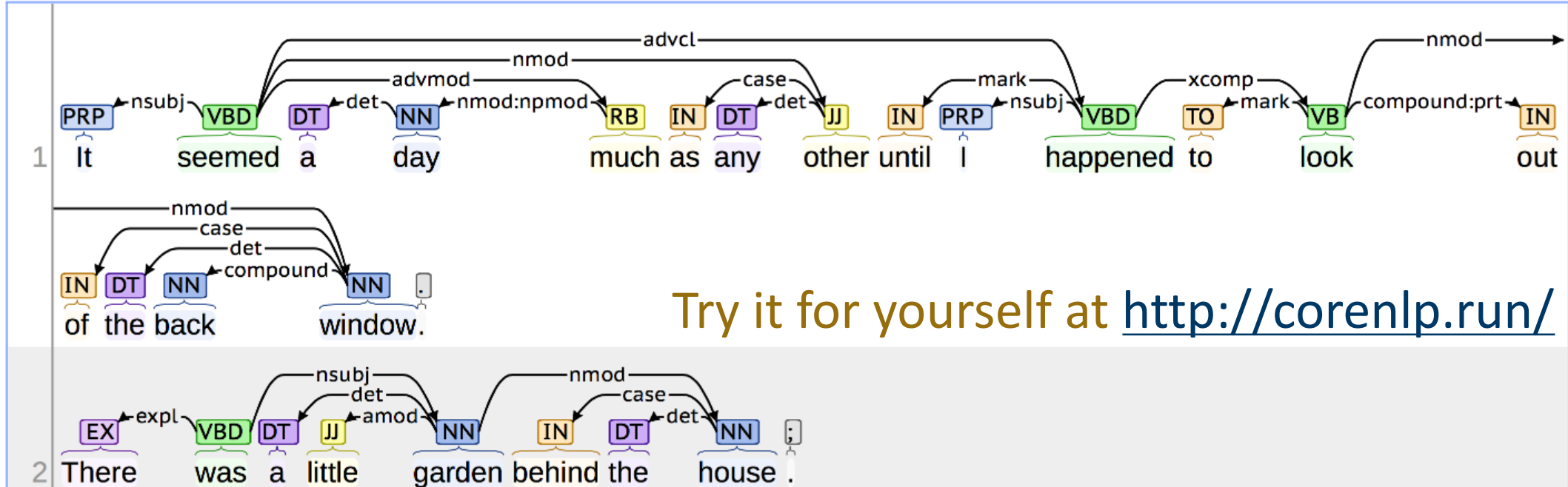
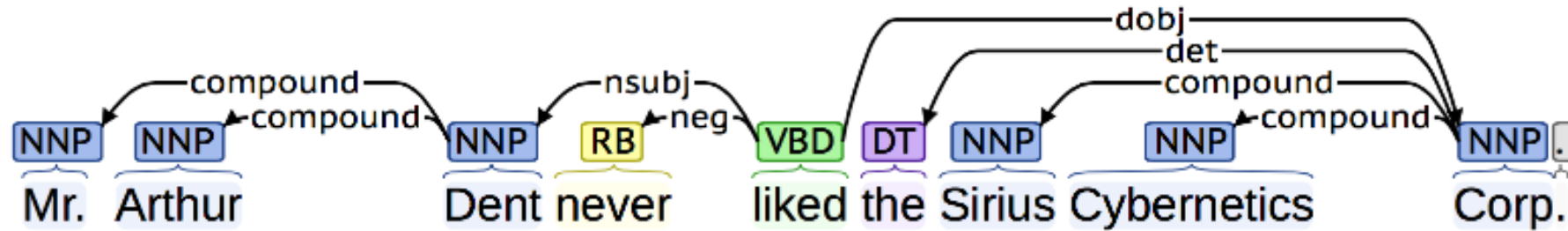
- e.g. time and place expressions: last week, the day after tomorrow, September 15th, in Paris, on the lawn in front of their house, ...
- e.g. text spans that need to be masked for anonymization purposes

# Corpus annotation: segments and structures

- Syntactic **phrase structure analysis**  
= parse tree of nested segments corresponding to syntactic units
- „minimal“ phrases as flat segments → **chunk parsing**



# Corpus annotation: syntactic dependency analysis



Try it for yourself at <http://corenlp.run/>

# Sentence alignment for parallel corpora

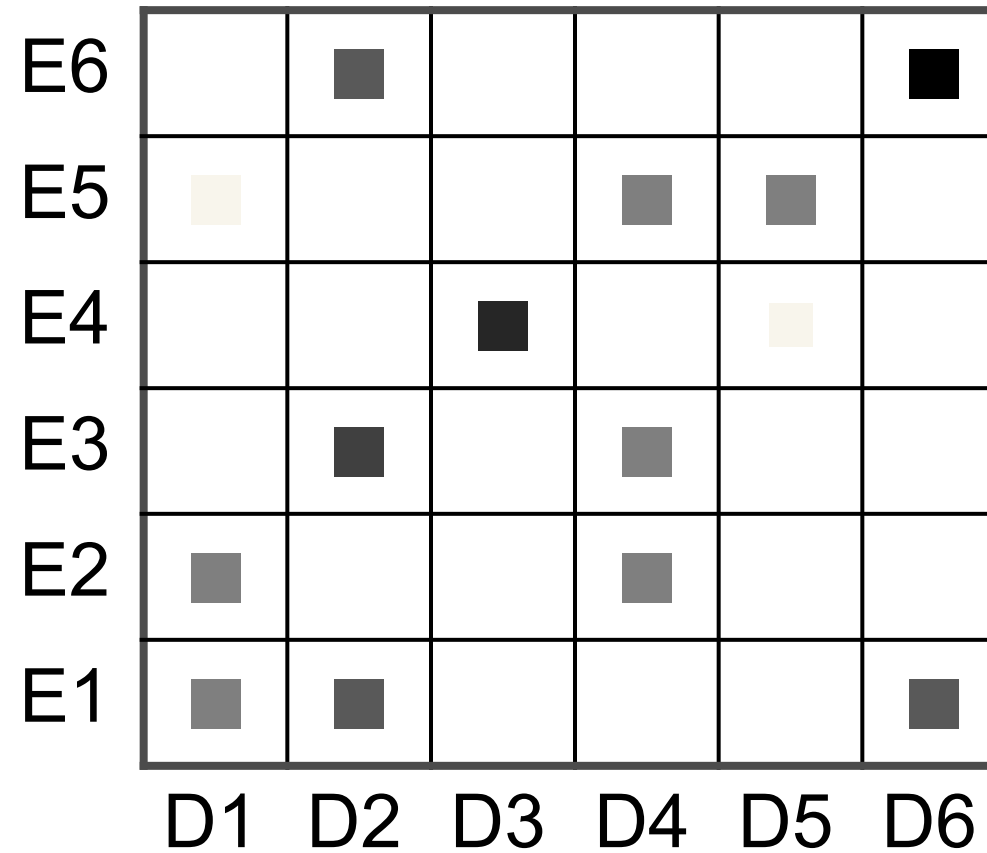
Das stört mich keineswegs, ich halte das für eine gute Initiative, aber wiederum ist Europa nicht zur Stelle.	That is no problem for me.
	I think it is a good initiative, but again Europe is absent.
Es darf nicht wieder geschehen!	It should not happen again, Mr President.
Meine Fraktion verlangt, daß die italienische Präsidentschaft hier vor uns erklärt, welche Rolle sie spielt.	My Group wants the Italian presidency to come here and explain what its role is.
Herr Präsident, liebe Kolleginnen und Kollegen!	Mr President, ladies and gentlemen, I think it is important that we should discuss the situation in the Middle East this week.
Ich halte es für wichtig, daß wir diese Woche über die Situation im Nahen Osten reden.	
Darin sind wir uns alle einig.	We all agree on that.



# Sentence alignment: bitext map

E6						■
E5				■	■	
E4			■			
E3		■				
E2	■					
E1	■					
	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6

# Sentence alignment as similarity search



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