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A Multilingual Solution to Reduce Verbose Fields to Consistent Terminology

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MOTIVATION

Data Source

Form 23 Conical cup with smooth vertical rim
Konische Schale mit glattem Steilrand
Coppa troncoconica con orlo verticale
Coupe tronconique à rebord vertical lisse

Conical cup representing the further evolution of Form 22. The floor is now always flat or biconical (meeting the wall at a sharp angle on the inside), usually with a low foot.

23.1: Plain tapering rim, inclined slightly inwards, sometimes bearing applied decoration.
23.2: Rim with flat outer face bearing applied decoration bounded above and below by simple convex mouldings; inner face plain or with a groove at lip.

Production

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Date

Subform 23.2 belongs to the second and third quarters of the first century A. D.: it is common in the South Stoa deposits at Corinth and at Pompeii. Subform 23.1 is less readily datable as it may occur as a simplified version of Form 22 or Form 23: other features of the vessel (e. g. foot-profile, decoration) may provide a clearer indication of date than the shape of the rim.

Distribution

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References

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23.1.2 Berenice B210.2. Anepigraphic stamp. Italy.
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Other findspots

23.1 Asciburgium, Bologna, Bolsena, Conimbriga, Köln, Luni, Magdalensberg, Ordona, Pollentia, Roma.
23.2 Not separately listed.

Concordance

23.1: Goudineau 20c; 25a; 37a. – Berenice B210.2.
23.2: Goudineau 40. – Barocelli 11. – Berenice B216. – Hayes 23.
Pieces described as Haltern 9 sometimes belong to this form.

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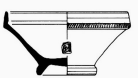
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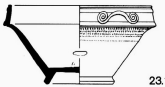
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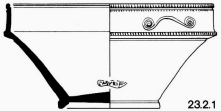
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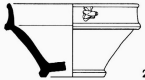
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Figure 1: Sample from *Conspectus* catalogue.

Oh dear!

Problem

Running texts contain a lot of *irrelevant information* (for machine processing).

This makes database lookups without keywords **extremely inefficient**.

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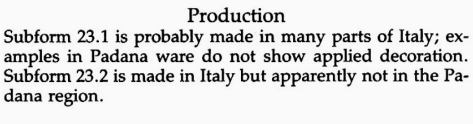

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Why underestimation is bad

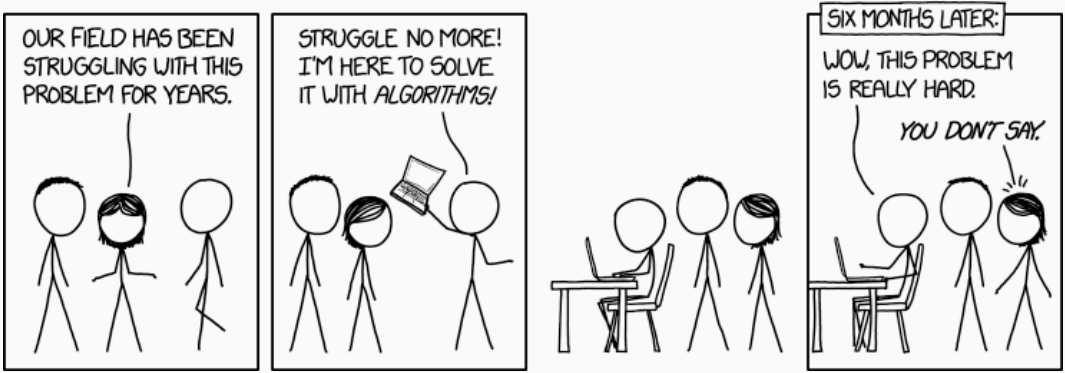

Figure 2: I can relate to this. [Source: xkcd.com/1831]

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Sorry!

DISCLAIMER

We neither *can* nor *do* provide a perfect solution or perfect results.

Furthermore, this project is still work in progress.

Five Steps

1. Tokenisation and Sentence splitting
2. Lemmatisation
3. Part-of-speech-tagging (POS)
4. Named entity recognition (NER)
5. Relation Extraction

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Relation Extraction

Subject	Relation	Object
quick brown fox	jump over	lazy dog
Form 20	occur	Augustan
Form 20	occur	late Tiberian period

TEXT MINING: PRACTICAL

Tools

presenting different tools here

Adapting the NER

Stanford CoreNLP only recognises 8 entities types:

PERSON	DATE
ORGANIZATION	TIME
LOCATION	MONEY
PERCENT	MISC

So we have to add the custom type `FORM`. Adjusting `DATE` also necessary.

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MULTILINGUALISM

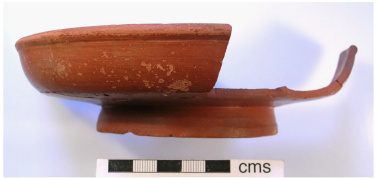
Background

Two problems:

- Linguistic
- Conceptual

Different languages

Different traditions



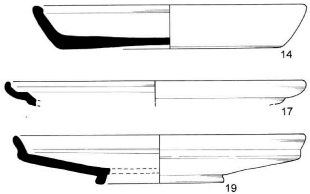


Figure 5: Plate, platter or dish?

Creating controlled vocabularies

- Sherd type (e.g. rim)
- Form (e.g. plate)
- Decoration form (e.g. burnished)
- Decoration color (e.g. yellow)
- Fabric (e.g. bla)

Lessons from ARAIDNE

Using tools developed for the ARIADNE project by the Hypermedia Research Group at the University of South Wales

Creation of a neutral spine based on the Getty Institute's Art and Architecture Thesaurus (AAT)

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