# Comparing groups of texts

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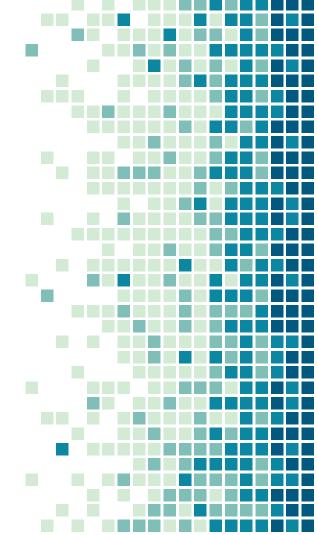
Day Two

## Craig's Zeta

in Stylo



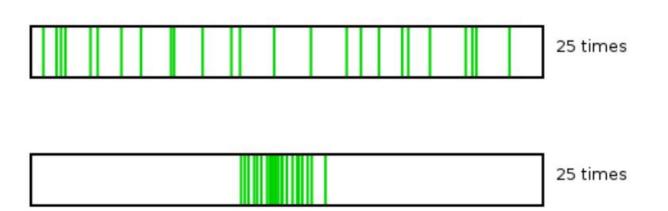
## **About Craig's Zeta**



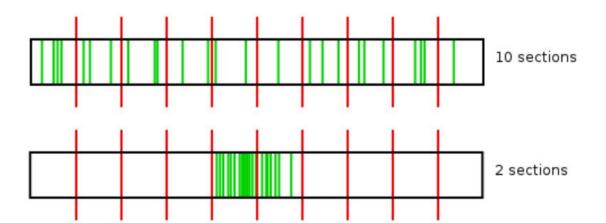
## Frequencies matter

 Zeta focuses on CONSISTENCY of appearance of a word/feature in the text

## **Distribution matters**



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## Craig's Zeta - how to

- Take a corpus, split it into two parts you hypothesize are different in a significant way
- Slice each text into smaller sections
- See if the word is there

## Craig's Zeta

$$\zeta_{(a,b)} = \left(\frac{f_{(a)} - f_{(b)}}{100}\right) + 1$$

$$\zeta_{(a,b)} = \frac{f_{(a)} - f_{(b)}}{f_{(a)} + f_{(b)}}$$

f(a) – frequency in section 'a'f(b) – frequency in section 'b'

## **Calling the function**

oppose()

Or if the corpus is not in English:

oppose(encoding = "UTF-8", corpus.lang = "Spanish")

## **Calling the function**

Parameters to consider

- Slice length: size (in words) of the samples (5000)
- Slice overlap: (0)
- Method: (Craig's Zeta)
- Visualization: type of graph (Markers / Words)

## Comparing corpora in lexis

primary\_set

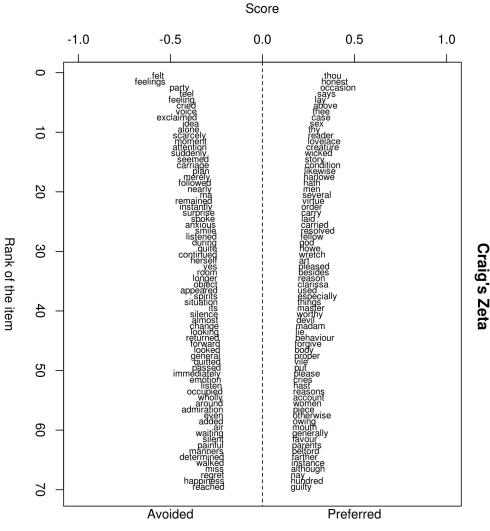
secondary\_set

One group of texts (e.g. texts by one author)

Another group of texts (e.g. different author)

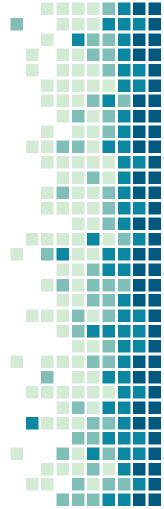
words' preferred

words avoided



# Comparing corpora in lexis

Jans raig's Zet



## **Comparing corpora in markers**

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secondary\_set

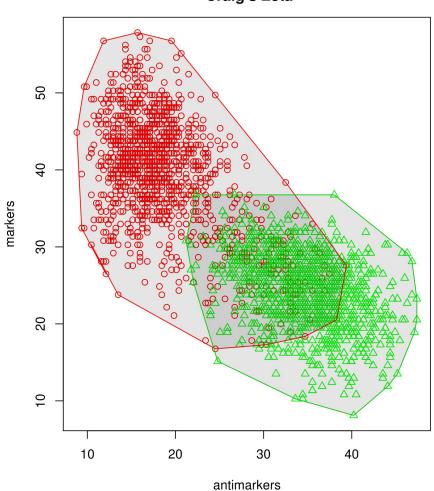
One group of texts (e.g. texts by one author)

Another group of texts (e.g. different author)

A group of marker points

Another group of marker points

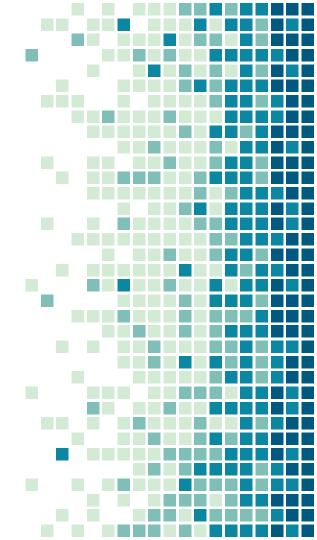
#### Jans Craig's Zeta



# Comparing corpora in markers



## **Applications**



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- Comparing discourse markers
- Seeing how distinct two groups really are

Case study: the tale of two showrummers



### Who writes TV shows?

9 seasons of Doctor Who = 26 screenwriters

What about directors?

Script editors?

... actors?

**Showrunner** – the producer who actually [holds] ultimate management and creative authority for the program (...) the boss, the hard-nosed operational manager responsible for all creative aspects of a show and who runs interference with the studios and the networks.

#### **Shane Bannon**

https://www.theaustralian.com.au/arts/getting-the-run-of-the-place/news-story/78b6658bc660728f73a2def314a3788



## **Doctor Who (1963 – )**

1963-89 'Classic' series

focus on the main character

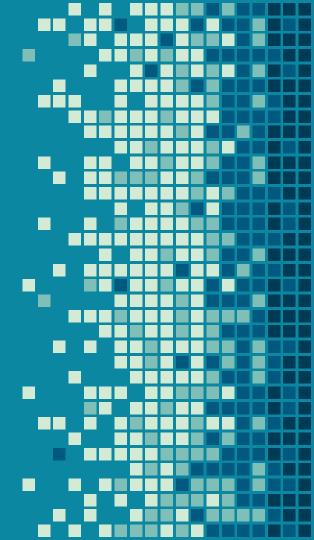
1996 Film

2005-? revival of the show: New/Nu series

 transition to authorial – American model, increased role of a showrunner

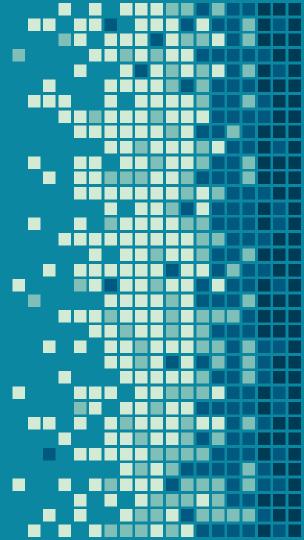
13 (już niedługo 14) interpretacji jednej postaci

I might change at least 30 per cent of the material, often 60 per cent, sometimes almost 100 per cent. I go over every line of dialogue, either adding new stuff or refining what's there; sometimes that enhancing a line that the original writer hasn't realised is good. I'll bring out themes, punch up moments, add signature dialogue, clarify stage directions and make cuts. To every single scene, if need be. Usually, the basic shape remains intact, but sometimes invent brand new characters subplots... while at the same time remaining faithful to the original writer. I'll even impersonate them.



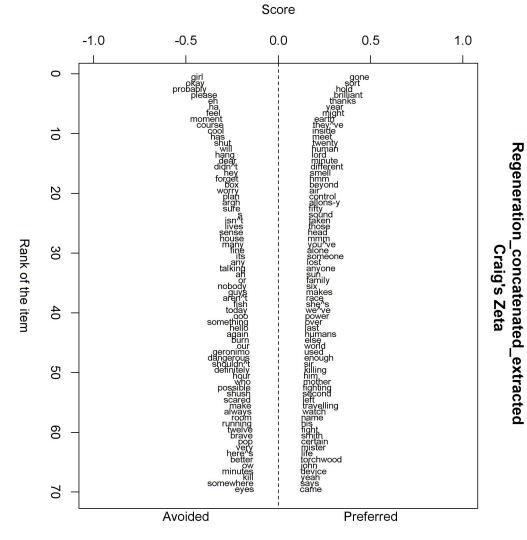
what you're there to do is to say in different ways every single day, to send out a consistent message: this is the show we're trying to make, it's like this.

Steven Moffat



## An episode dissected

1 episode of Doctor Who - from 4 to 7 thousand words, Doctor's lines - on average 1,5 to 2,8 thousand words, A companion's lines - on average 500 to 1 thousand words.



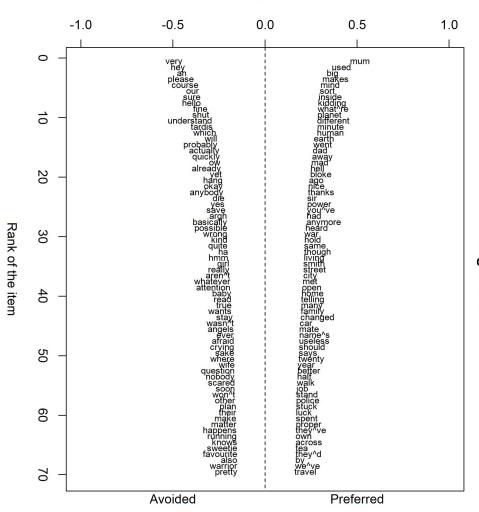
# Davies's vs Moffat's Doctor

### **Davies vs Moffat**

gone, sort, hold brilliant, thanks, year, might, earth, they've, inside, meet, twenty, human, lord, minute, smell, hmm, beyond, air, control, allons-y, fifty, sound, taken, those, head, mmm, you've, alone, someone, lost, anyone, sun, family, six, makes, race, she's, we've, power, over, last, humans, else, world, used, enough, sir, killing, mother, fighting, second, left, travelling, watch, name, bis, fight, smith, certain, mister, life, torchwood, john, device, yeah, says, came

girl, okay, probably, please, eh, ha, feel, moment, course, cool, has, shut, will, hang, dear, didn't, hey, forget, box, worry, plan, argh, sure, s, isn't, lives, sense, house, many, fine, its any, taking, ah, or, nobody, guys, aren't, fish, today, ooo, something, hello, again, burn, our, geronimo, dangerous, shouldn't, definitely, hour, who, possible, shush, scared, make, always, room, running, twelve, brave, pop, very, here's better, ow, minutes, kill, somewhere, eyes

## Companior



Score

Companions Craig's concatenated Zeta \_extracted

### **Davies vs Moffat**

mum, used, big, makes, mind, sort, inside, kidding, what're, planet, different, minute, human, earth, went, dad, away, mad, hell, bloke, ago, nice, thanks, sir, power, you've had, anymore, heard, war, hold, same, though, living, smith, street, city, met, open, home, telling, many, family, changed, car, mate, name's, useless, should, says, twenty, year, better, half, walk, job, stand, police, stuck, luck, spent, propr, they've own, across,tea, they'd, by, we've, travel

very, hey, ah, please, course, our, sure, hello, fine, shut, understand, tardis, which, will, probably, actually, quickly, ow, already, yet, hang, okay, anybody, die, yes, save, argh, basically, possible, wrong, kind, quite, ha, hmm, girl, really, aren't, whatever, attention, baby, read, true, wants, stay, wasn't, angels, over, afraid, crying, sake, where, wife, question, nobody, scared, soon, won't, other, plan, their, make, matter, happens, running, knows, sweetie, favourite, also, warrior, pretty