

Typological databases, lexical databases, and corpus resources

The databases and resources discussed here can be accessed from the Resources page on the course web site; go to “Morphological data from natural languages” and follow the links found there.

- (1) Database focused on specific categories of linguistic/typological information
 - (a) What are some examples from the Surrey Morphology Group collection?
 - (b) What is the interface typically like? / What functions are often supplied?
 - (c) What kinds of research is it good for?

- (2) Lexical database
 - Try: MorphIt (read description)
MRC Psycholinguistic Database
 - (a) What does it typically consist of?
 - lexemes, wordforms, paradigms
 - frequency information
 - relationships among lexemes (semantic, morphological, etc.)
 - (b) What is the interface typically like? / What functions are often supplied?
 - (c) What kinds of research is it good for?

- (3) Corpus
 - Try: Querying Internet corpora
 - (a) What does it typically consist of?
 - collection of ‘texts’ (written or spoken)
 - may be *parsed* (annotated for morphological and/or syntactic information)
 - (b) What is the interface typically like? / What functions are often supplied?
 - concordance
 - collocation
 - (c) What kinds of research is it good for?