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Our two Projects

Kyoto University SPIRITS project (FY2020-2021)

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Fostering Joint International Research (B) of KAKENHI (FY2021-2026)

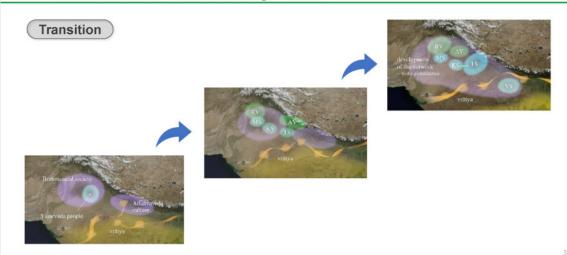
A Study of Language Layers in Vedic Literature for the Development of a Program for Age-Estimation

collaborating with "Chron-BMM - Bayesian Mixture Models für die Datierung von Textkorpora" lead by Oliver Hellwig

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The Vedas: religious literature of Ancient India ca 15th to 5th century BCE

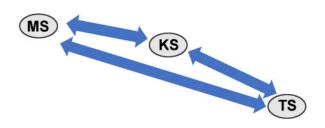


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Focus on Maitrāyaṇī Samhitā (MS), Kāṭhaka-Samhitā (KS), Taittirīya-Samhitā (TS)

(collectively called Yajurveda-Samhitās)

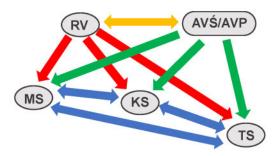
900 to 700 BEC; an early stage of development of Vedic ritual



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Older texts (1500 - 1000 BCE; probably some parts were added later)

- Rgveda (RV)
- Atharvaveda Śaunaka and Paippalāda (AVŚ and AVP)



Unraveling the relationship between these sources of influence will be the foundation of our quest to understand the development of Vedic ritual and society.

About the Vedas

Vedic studies according to the history and localization, and details of the background of our project,

see the collection of the presentation slides for the 1st Workshop on 2021/2/12.

in chat box and on our website https://ancientindia-datascience.hakubi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/news-en/

Studies for the project "Chronological and Geographical Features of Ancient Indian Literature"

- relationships among the texts considering <u>mantra co-occurrence</u>,
- 2) similarity among chapters of the texts using computational analysis of vocabulary.

Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence

Mantra = ritual formula recited in rituals

Co-occurrence of mantras in several texts can indicate relationship among them.

- Few co-occurrence · · · · · · · far relationship
- Many co-occurrence · · · · · · close relationship

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Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence

Bloomfield, Maurice (1893):

A Vedic Concordance. [Harvard Oriental Series 10]. Cambridge – Mass.

• Franceschini, Marco (2007):

An updated Vedic concordance:

Maurice Bloomfield's A Vedic concordance enhanced with new material taken from seven Vedic texts.

Cambridge: Dept. of Sanskrit and Indian Studies, Harvard University

-ańsam vivasvantam brūmah # AVŠ.11.6.2c; AVP.15.13.3c.
-ańsam na pratijhance # RV.3.45.4b,
-ańsam na pratijhance # RV.3.45.4b,
-ańsav a spamathy # AVŠ.12.5.5,
-ańsav a spamathy # AVŠ.19.6.10b; AVP.9.5.14b,
-ańsaśa ca hagaga ca # TA.1.13.2c.
-ańsas te hastam agrabhi # ApMB.2.3.9 (ApG.4.10.12), Cf. agnis te etc.
-ańsam jańschawa vi błajami who waj # AVŠ.11.1.5c.
-ańsam jańschawa vi błajami who waj # AVŠ.11.1.5c.
-ańsam jańschawa waj # AVS.10.5; TS.1.8.1.3.3; MS.2.6.11; 70.9; KS.15.7; SB.5.3.5.9.
-ańsam jańsam inatya paripnatam # RV.9.86.46c.
-ańsam jażnam jańsam anny # AVP.5.13.4c.
-ańsam gabhasi (KS. babhasi) haritebin šashih # KS.35.14d; ApŠ.14.29.3d. See ańsūn babhasti.
-ańsum goży agstyam # RV.S.3.20c.
-ańsum te ańsam pagatyam # RV.S.3.20c.
-ańsum te ańsam pożytam a rozamatyam anny # AVP.3.10.24.5; ańsamā te ańsam pożytam ApŠ.10.24.5; ańsamā te ańsam pożytam apstyam # RV.S.30.5d.

electronic edition of A Vedic Concordance This index is used as a database.

Data for the investigation of the relationship among the texts: Index for ca 90,000 mantras that appear in all Vedic literature, with names of literature and the places.

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Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence

Visualizing the co-occurrence of mantras

- Relational Database using SQLite
- Co-occurrence relationships among the 19 texts
 - → Identified 150 relationships involving these 19 important texts.
- Visualize the relationship between two selected texts.
- Scatter plot and parallel coordinate plot.
- Visualizing the chapter structure with colors.



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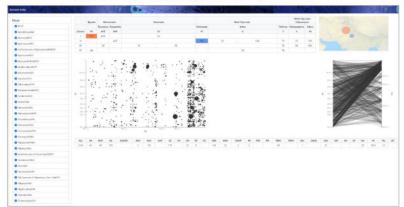
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Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence

New functions: Classification by ritual

Numerical Data of the number of co-occurred mantras

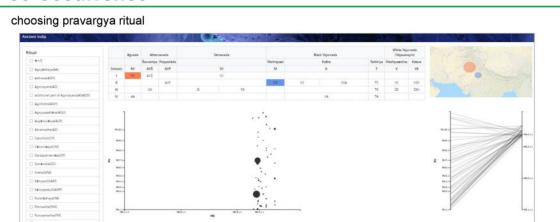


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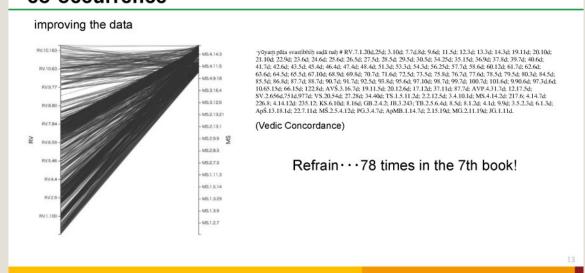
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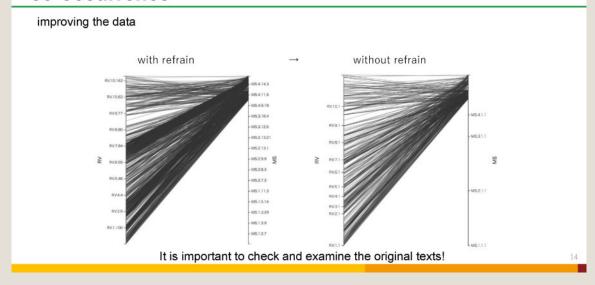
Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence



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Relationships among the texts considering mantra co-occurrence



It became possible to examine the data for each ritual, further paving the way for a precise study of the internal structure and production process of the text.

Compare the yājyānuvākyās and the agniciti mantras.

- yājyānuvākyās (MS IV 10-14):
 - a collection of hymns praising the gods, used in various ritual offerings, composed in the late stages of MS/KS/TS editing.
- . agniciti mantras (MS II 7-13):

the agniciti is a ritual performed by constructing a huge fire altar, using many verses of RV/AV throughout;

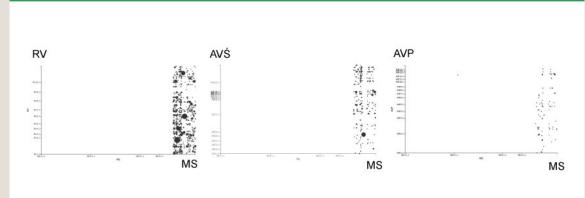
belong to the middle period of MS/KS/TS editing, when MS/KS/TS developed the śrauta ritual together.



influence from RV/AVŚ/AVP in both rituals

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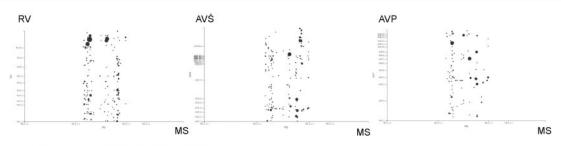
yājyānuvākyās of MS



Influence RV > AVS > AVP

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agniciti mantras of MS



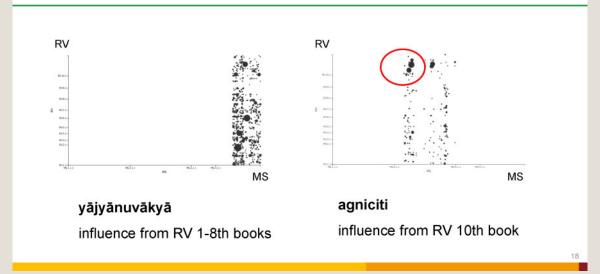
Influence RV≈AVŚ≈AVP

Amano (forthcoming)

"Influence of the Atharvaveda on rituals of the Maitrāyaṇī Samhitā", presentation at "The Atharvaveda and its South Asian Contexts: 3rd Zurich International Conference on Indian Literature and Philosophy (ZICILP)", University of Zurich, 27 September 2019.

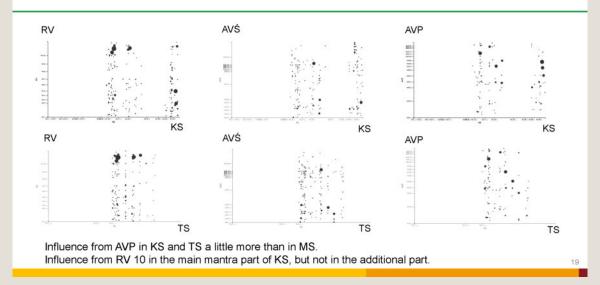
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RV-MS relationship at yājānuvākyā and agniciti



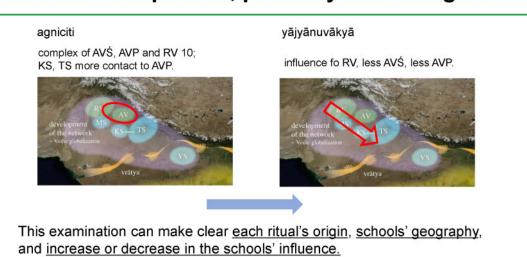
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agniciti mantras in KS and TS



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Two different phases, probably chronological



Further examination using data of mantra occurrence

Using the co-occurrence relationships as a cue to measure the degree of similarity between chapters,

— how similar and to which texts can be examined as feature of a chapter — to determine the relationships between chapters (within a single text, or within MS/KS/TS) and explore the process of literature production.

This topic will be followed up in a presentation by Dr. Natsukawa.

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Similarity analysis among chapters using vocabulary

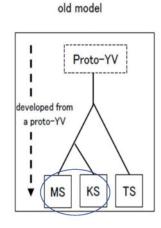
What does the analysis aim to reveal?

to reconsider the relationship between MS, KS, and TS.

Traditionally thought of as them having a common prototype from which the MS/KS branch and another branch, TS, split.

But in recent years, <u>a new view of the close</u> relationship between KS and TS.

MS (KS TS)



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MS/KS/TS relationship also underwent changes throughout their editing period.



Computational lexical analysis such as with w2v and TRACER can precisely determine the degree of similarity between MS/KS/TS chapters, that helps to classify the chapters into the periods.

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Plan for the new project "A Study of Language Layers in Vedic Literature for the Development of a Program for Age-Estimation"

Analysis of syntax

Important: uses of particles and pronouns

: function of verb tense and mood.

These can be good indicators to stratify the linguistic layers

→ Examples from my recent studies of MS

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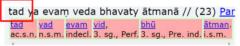
Syntactic phenomena as indicator for linguistic layers

ha vai "consequently" or **tad** "so, then, thus" used with the phrase ya evaṃ vidvān / veda (Amano 2020)

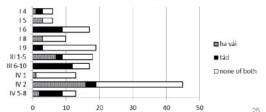
sarvā ha vā asya yakṣyamāṇasya devatā yajñam āgacchanti ya evaṃ veda //
sarva ha vai idam yaj devatā yajña āgam, yad evam vid.
n.p.f. indecl. indecl. g.s.m. Fut., g.s.m., p.p.f. ac.s.m. 3, pl., Pre. ind. n.s.m. indecl. 3, sg., Perf.

All deities consequently come to his sacrifice, as he is planning to hold a sacrifice, when he knows thus.

The numbers of ha vai and tad at ya evaṃ vidvān/veda in the chapters of MS:

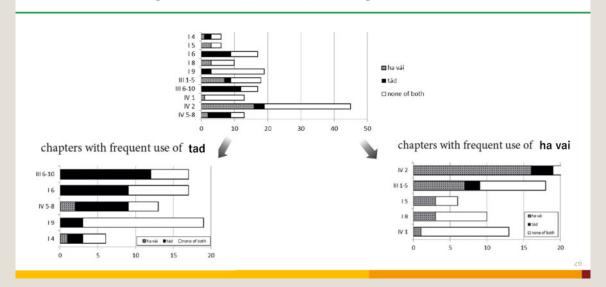


So, he himself successes, when he know thus.



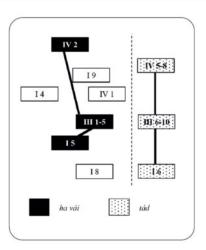
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"ha vai chapters" and "tad chapters"



"ha vai chapters" and "tad chapters"

This examination of preference of *ha vai* or *tad* can be reflected to a supposition of inner structure or process for composition:

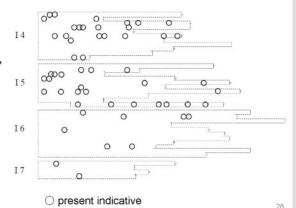


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Ratio of the present tense in the ritual prescription (Amano 2013-2014)

Possible constructions for ritual prescription

- Present indicative X dadāti "he gives X."
- Optative X dadyāt "he should give X."
- Gerundive X deyam "X should be given."



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To recognize this feature as indicators of the linguistic layer, it is important to note that the functions and usages of present tense are differentiated in the data.

different functions/usages of present indicative (Amano 2009, 10-13):

- prescription naktam agnim gṛḥṇāti "He (the sacrificer) takes fire at night."
- general statement asurā vā naktam prerate "The Asuras have action at night."
- result of a ritual act *jyotiṣaiva tamas tarati* "He overcomes the darkness (the Asuras, night) with the light (fire)."

brāhmaṇa (ritual explanation) consists of [prescription] + [general statement / myth] + [result of ritual act].

type of sentence is important!
(Sanskrit *vidhi* "prescription" and *arthavāda* "explanation of the purpose / meaning"

Enhance XML/TEI data to distinguish functions

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- general statement asurā vā naktaṃ prerate "The Asuras have action at night."
- result of a ritual act jyotişaiva tamas tarati "He overcomes the darkness with the light."

<s /> sentence

<w /> word

<w lemma="grh" type="VERB" tense="PRE" function="prescription">grhnati<w/>or

<s type="prescription>naktam agnim grhnati</s>

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Another useful indicator

In a sentence describing the result of a ritual act,

- 1) whether the verb is present or agrist, and
- whether eva or vā etad stands (or others such as tad, ha, svid, and so on).
 etad acc. sg. nt. pronoun, adverbial use "in this way"
- jyotişaiva tamas tarati "He overcomes the darkness with the light."
 eva + present
- svām vā etad devatām bamhayate. "He strengthens his own deity in this way."
 vā etad + present
- tā eva bhāgadheyenopāsarat "He has sought refuge in them with a share for them."
 eva + aorist
- devatā vā etad agrahīt. "He has grasped the deities in this way."
 vā etad + aorist
 about aorist for result of ritual act, see Amano (2009), 16f.

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Ratio of these constructions can be useful as indicator of linguistic layer

In a sentence describing the result of a ritual act,

- 1) whether the verb is present or agrist, and
- 2) whether eva or vā etad stands
- Aorist in this function is MS-specific. KS and TS have less examples for this aorist
- Also eva or vā etad can indicate the wording characteristics of each chapter or text.
- For aorist, we should distinguish the functions, "result_of_ritual_act", "ritual_act_done_before", "actual_past". (see Amano 2009, 15-18)

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Further distinction: Functions of the particle eva

jyotişaiva tamas tarati "He overcomes the darkness with the light."

tā eva bhāgadheyenopāsarat "He has sought refuge in them with a share for them."

Distinction of eva in the sentence for result of a ritual act from eva in other function

eva in the sentence <s type="result_of_ritual_act">
<w type="PART" function="advmod">eva</w>
advmod: adverbial modifier

eva in other type of sentence, to emphasize the foregoing word
<w type="PART" function="advmod:emph">eva</w>

→ useful to make Universal Dependencies; see Biagetti / Hellwig / Scarlata / Ackermann / Widmer (2021): "Evaluating Syntactic Annotation of Ancient Languages. Lessons from the

Vedic Treebank"

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Further distinction: functions and usages of acc. sg. n. etad

BUT NOT

prāṇam vā etat paśavaḥ pratidhāvanti yad varṣeṣu vātaṃ pratijighrati. <s type="general_statement">
"Animals go againt the breath in this way that they catch the scent of wind in the rain."
<w lemma="etad" type="PRON" case_function="advmod"

reference_function="cataphoric" reference="yad">

etad in normal pronominal function (anaphoric, cataphoric, recognitional)
For example, <w lemma="etad" type="PRON" case="Nom" number="Sing" gender="Neut"
reference_function="recognitional" reference="havis">

recognitional: pointing to knowledge of the addressee (Kümmel 2014, Amano 2009)

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Another possible indicator of linguistic layer: Position of adverbial *tad* in sentence for result of ritual

In the second position in the sentence:

na sarvāņi saha yajñāyudhāni prahṛtyāni. mānuṣaṃ tat kriyate

"One should not bring all sacrificial tools together. Then he makes something related to human."

- <s type="prescription">na sarvāṇi saha yajñāyudhāni prahṛtyāni</s>
- <s type="result_of_ritual_act">mānuṣaṃ tat kriyate</s>
- <w lemma="tad" type="PRON"

case_function="advmod" reference="previous_s_prescription">tat</w>

In the opening position in the sentence (and before ya evam veda):

tato deva abhavan, parāsurās. tad yad evam veda, bhavaty ātmanā.

"Following this, the gods became (winner), the Asuras faded away. **So,** he (the sacrifice) himself successes, when he knows thus."

<w lemma="tad" ... case_function="advmod" reference="previous_s_myth">

Another possible indicator of linguistic layer: Position of adverbial *tad* in sentence for result of ritual

In the second position of the main sentence; yad-tad construction

yad varāhavihatam upāsyāgnim ādhatta, imām eva tan nāpārāţ.

"When he establishes his fire after throwing dirt drug up by boars, he doesn't **then** miss the [earth] (as target place)."

<w lemma="tad" ... case function="advmod" reference="yad">

Such different uses of adverbial *tad* can indicate linguistic feature of each chapter and text.

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Plan for a new visualization tool

- Quantify the number of sentences and draw a map (one line corresponds to one chapter)
- Mark the places showing certain linguistic phenomena.

Amano 2013-2014

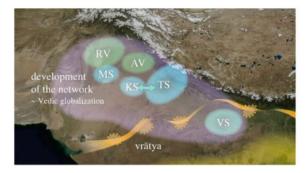


This is still my ideal visualization to highlight the linguistic layers. I would like to develop a tool to create automatically this kind of visualization from annotated data (XML/TEI).

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Future task: Geographer wanted!

From relative position to actual geography



We need to introduce geographical knowledge!

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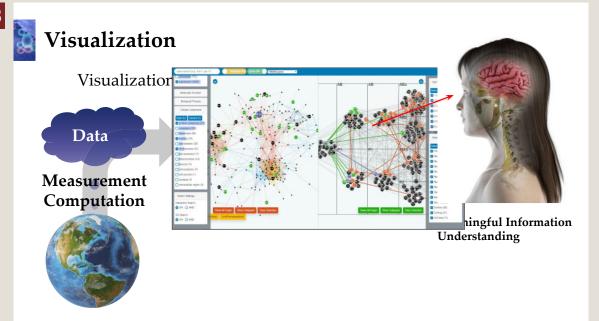




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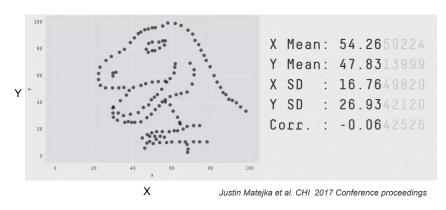
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- Mapping the Co-occurrence info globally
- Mapping the structure of vedic texts





Visualization & Visual Analytics



Importance of looking at the data itself



Visualization Contributing to the **Analysis of Ancient Indian Literature**

Examining the origins of literature through the relationship of mantras in 19 documents

Ancient Indian ritual texts BC1200-500

- Mantras (祝詞)
- Historical classification of literature
- Schools of literature
- Geographical characteristics of the schools





Database

Ancient Indian ritual texts BC1200-500

• avāryāņi pakşmāņi pāryā ikşavaḥ

TS.1.6.1.1 MS.1.1.2 KS.1.10 BŚ.3.16

We've tried to look at the co-occurrence of mantras in each literature

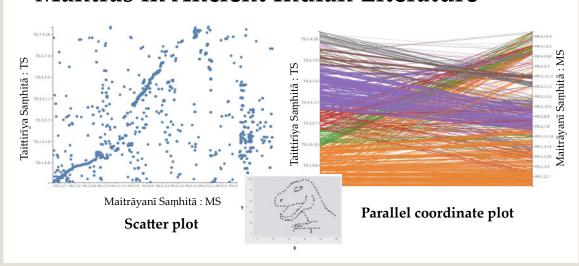
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- Co-occurrence relationships between 19 literatures
- Chapter structure of literature
- →Relationships among about 150 sets of documents

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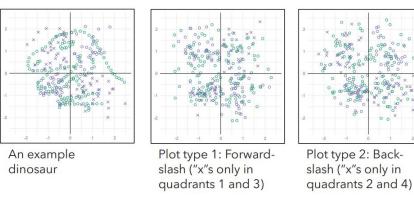
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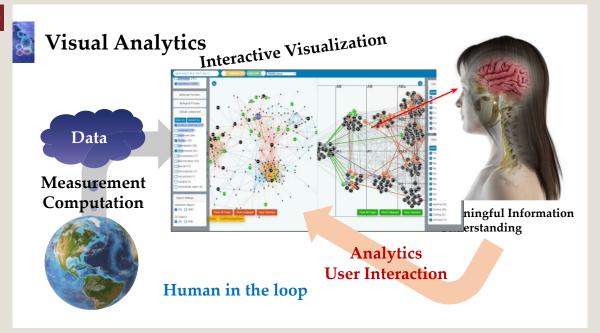


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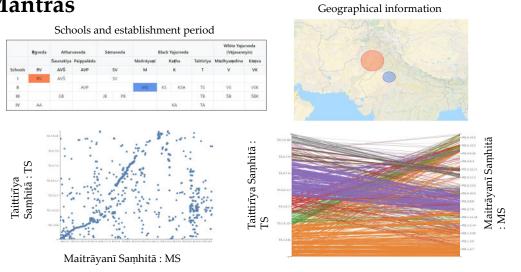
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Importance of iterative process of exploration



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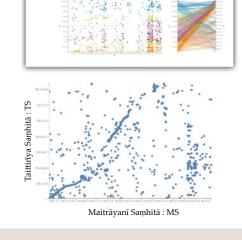
A tool for visualizing the co-occurrence of Mantras Geographical information



A tool for visualizing the co-occurrence of Mantras

Challenges

- 1. How do we handle ritual information?
- 2. Analyzing features across multiple references, not just one-to-one literature relationships
- 3. Further development requirements





A tool for visualizing the co-occurrence of Mantras

User goal: To examine the characteristics and similarities of mantra co-occurrence in different literature. To understand the co-occurrence of mantras by considering the ritual information.

Analysis tasks:

- **1. to identify the patterns** of co-occurrence of mantras in the literature
- 2. to present the correspondence with the schools and geographical information in the literature
- **3. link mantra co-occurrences with ritual and chapter information** for interpretation.

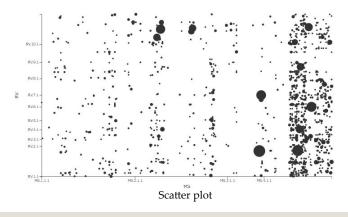
30 types of ritual event such as Agnicayana(AG).

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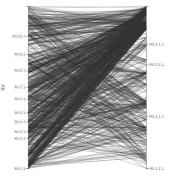


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Parallel coordinate plot

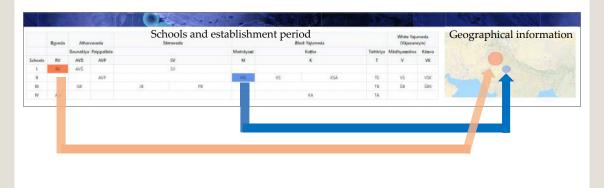
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Analysis tasks

2. to present the correspondence with the schools and geographical information in the literature





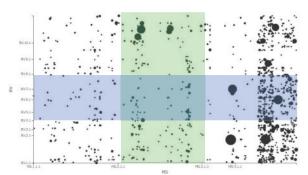


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Chapter filtering

Ritual filtering

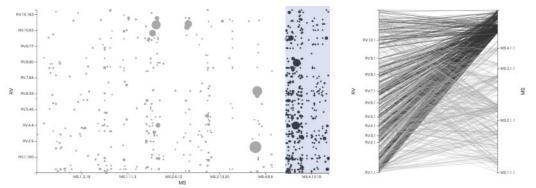
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A tool for visualizing the co-occurrence of Mantras

YA: Yājyānuvākyā "Verses to invite and worship gods"



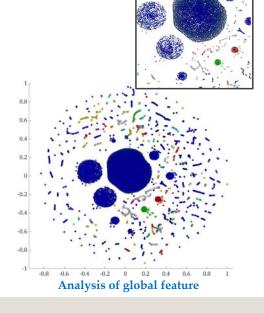
In MS, mantras related to YA are in chapter 4, but they are distributed over a whole chapter in RV.



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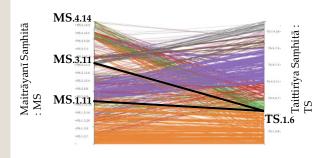
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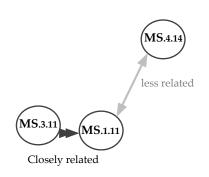
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Mapping chapter information based on co-occurrence similarity

Ancient Indian ritual texts BC1200-500

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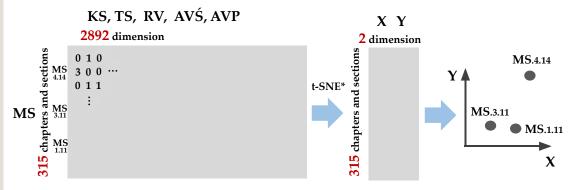
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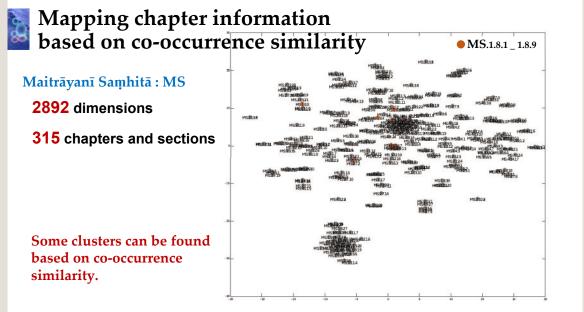
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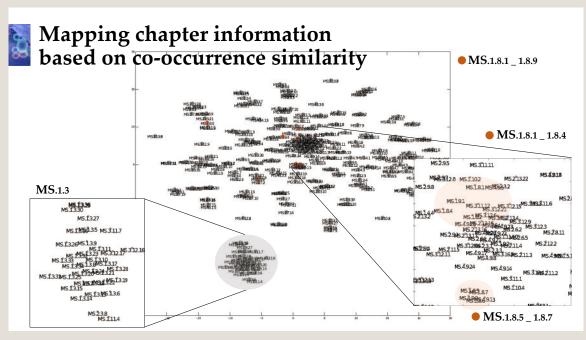


*Laurens van der Maaten and Geoffrey Hinton (2008)



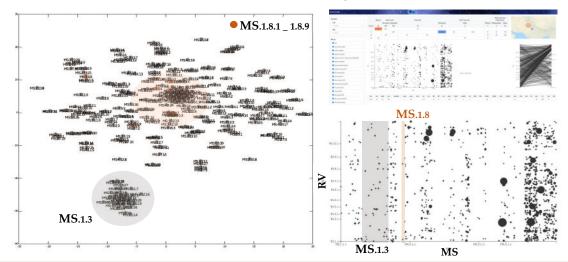


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Mapping chapter information based on co-occurrence similarity





Visualization meets AI

Visualization meets Ancient India:

Visualization enabling effective data analysis leading to scientific discovery in Indology

It's tough task for users to look at co-occurrence pattern for all combination of literature!

Visualization meets Artificial Intelligence:

Combining visualization and AI to support exploration. For example, given a context, it can automatically detect it with pattern recognition.

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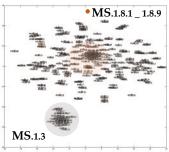
Summary

- · Visualization & How to find a dinosaur
- Visualization Tool for Ancient Indian Literature
- Mapping the Co-occurrence info globally
- Mapping the structure of vedic texts

Future direction

☐ Improve the design of the tool and publish officially as a web tool





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Thank you for your attention



One Step Further: Assessing Semantic Similarity in Sanskrit Using Word Embeddings with a Weighting Factor

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Outline

- 1) Research Objective
- 2) Digital Corpus
- 3) Method
- 4) Evaluation
- 5) Results
- 6) Summary

1. Research Objective

- Quantitatively evaluate four models proposed for the task of comparing the similarity of chapters in *Maitrāyaṇīsaṃhitā* (MS), *Taittirīyasaṃhitā* (TS) and *Kāṭhakasaṃhitā* (KS).
 - → The performance of the models is compared with a human evaluation, which is chiefly based on parallel passages.
- Examine effects of weighting factor and vector type on result.

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2. Digital Corpus

GitHub: → OliverHellwig/sanskrit/dcs/data/conllu/files

	Training	MS	TS	KS
Number of Chapters	12253	261	81	9
Avg. Sentences/Chapter	52.54	34.46	31.83	56.67
Avg. Tokens/Chapter	290.95	173.17	179.98	221.78

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3. Method

word embedding: one type of vector representation of a word

3. Method

<Model components>

- 1. Word vector type
- → Word2Vec or FastText
- 2. Method of creating chapter vector
- → Averaging or normalized weighting of word vectors

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3. Method

<1. Word vector type>

[Word2Vec]: Trained at word / token level

e.g., win. = 2

"I eat an apple, an orange and a banana."

[FastText]: Trained at character level

e.g., win. = 2, word ngrams = 1

"I eat an apple, an orange and a banana."

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3. Method

- <2. Method of creating chapter vector>
- 1) Average of word vectors
- 2) TF-IDF weighting: tf*idf

- $n \underset{i=1}{\underline{\sim}}$
- Used to measure the importance of words
- One of the simplest and most common keyword extraction methods
- Agarwal et al. (2019) "Authorship Clustering using TF-IDF weighted Word-Embeddings"

3. Method

<TF: Term Frequency>

$$tf(t, d) = \frac{freq(t, d)}{\sum_{t_i \in d} freq(t_i, d)}$$

* freq(t, d) counts the occurrence of token t in document d

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3. Method

<IDF: Inverse Document Frequency>

$$idf(t, D, N) = \log \frac{N}{\sum_{t \in d_i, d_i \in D} freq(d_i)}$$

* D denotes a set of documents in a corpus

** N denotes the total number of documents

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3. Method

<Formula for Chapter Vector with TF-IDF Weighting>

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathsf{tf}\text{-}\mathsf{idf}_{i} \cdot v(w_{i})$$

* v_i denotes the ith word vector

** tf-idf; denotes a normalized tf-idf value of the ith word

*** If the word is a stopword, its tf-idf value becomes 0

3. Method

<Summary of four Models>

- 1) Word2Vec x Average
- 2) Word2Vec x tf-idf
- 3) FastText x Average
- 4) FastText x tf-idf
- * Word2Vec is fed with lemmas, while FastText is fed with forms (tokens).
- ** tf-idf is based on lemmas.

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4. Evaluation

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There are several aspects for measuring the similarity of chapters, e.g., vocabulary, topics, grammatical features (the usage of imperative, optative, etc.), writing style.

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4. Evaluation

- MS chapters are compared to TS and KS chapters.
- Based on vocabulary and topics as a similarity measure, especially on the fact that the chapters share parallel passages, a human evaluator (Prof. Amano) assigns the most similar TS or KS chapter(s) to each MS chapter.
- The top-3 most similar TS or KS chapters for each MS chapter are extracted by the four models.
- Question: Are the most similar chapter(s) extracted by the human evaluator contained in the top three chapters extracted by a given model?

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4. Evaluation

<Recall>

- Chapters correctly extracted by model = True Positive
- Chapters evaluated as similar by human evaluator but not extracted by model = False Negative

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4. Evaluation

<Recall>

$$Recall = \frac{True \ Positives}{True \ Positives + False \ Negatives}$$

= #Chapters properly extracted by the model #Chapters evaluated as similar chapters by the human evaluator

5. Results

Model	Recall
Word2Vec x Average	0.661765
Word2Vec x tf-idf	0.617647
FastText x Average	0.602941
FastText x tf-idf	0.558824

* n = 68 (#Chapters extracted by the human evaluator)

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5. Results

- <Latent potential of tf-idf weighting>
- For the specific pair MS 1.8 and KS 6, models with tf-idf weighting extracted more similar chapters than the models with averaging
- Tf-idf may be capable of capturing the characteristic vocabulary in chapters

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6. Summary

- In terms of vocabulary and topics as a measure of similarity, the simplest model, i.e., Word2Vec x Average, brings the best result
- In some specific cases, tf-idf weighting may be capable of capturing some characteristic vocabulary (?)
- The poor performance of FastText can probably be improved by optimizing its parameters (?)

^{**}w2v_aver > w2v_tfidf > fast_aver > fast_tfidf

Thank you for listening! Questions or Suggestions?

Computational Stylometric Analysis on Intertextuality in Historical Written Languages: A Case Study of Coptic

文献言語における間テクスト性の計算言語学的・ 計量文献学的分析:コプト語における事例研究

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Research questions

- 1. Do the textual findings indicate quotations from memory rather than from books or excerpts?
- 2. How accurate is the quotation?
- 3. What signals were employed to mark quotations?
- 4. Is a marked quotation more literal than an unmarked quotation?
- 5. What are the opportunities and limitations of digital tools?

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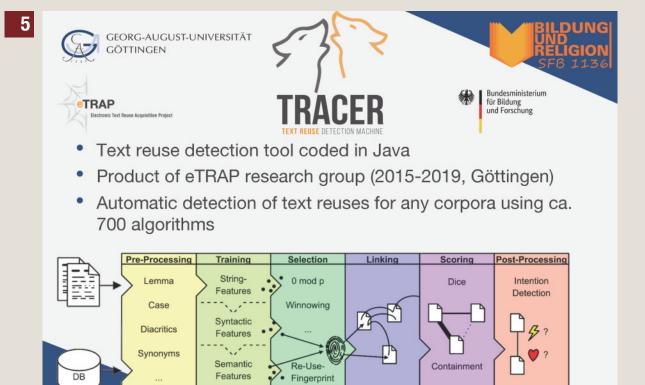


Introduction

- This study is based on
 - SFB1136 "Education and Religion in Cultures of the Mediterranean and Its Environment from Ancient to Medieval Times and to the Classical Islam"
 - Sub-project "B 05 Scriptural Exegesis and Educational Traditions in Coptic-Speaking Egyptian Christianity in Late Antiquity: Shenoute, Canon 6"
- Chapter 1: Introduction to the life and works of Shenoute and Besa
- Chapter 2: State of research for intertextuality studies with a focus on Biblical and Early Christian and Coptic Studies

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GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT Application of text reuse detection technology to intertextuality First attempt to apply this approach to the Coptic Parallel texts de Saussure Freud Julia Kristeva Semantic Text Re-use Syntactic Text Re-use Intertextuality Paraphrasing Ghostwriting Idiomatic Text Re-use Quotation Edition Allusion Summarizing **Typical intertexts** Idiom Winged Word Verbatim Near Verbatim Paraphrase Analogy Translation Taxonomy of text reuses: Büchler (2013), Franzini et al. (2016), Miyagawa et al. (forthcoming)





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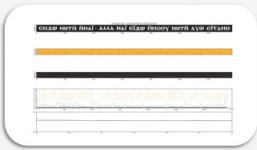
Unicode converter



Zeldes, Schroeder and Miyagawa (2013-2016)

Old transcription into Unicode

Optical Character Recognition



Lincke et al. (2019) and Miyagawa et al. (2019)

Automatic transcription

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Tools for pre-processing 2

Virtual Manuscript Room



See Behlmer & Feder (2017)

Coptic NLP Service



See Zeldes & Schroeder (2016)

Linguistic tagging

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Digital transcription





Corpus 1: Shenoute, Canon 6

- (at least) 6 codices
 - MONB.XF, XM, XV and YJ | YK and XL (varia)
- (at least) 5 works
 - He Who Sits Upon His Throne | Remember, O Brethren | Is It Not Written | Then Am I Not Obliged | People Have Not Understood
- · Text reuses found by previous studies
 - Amélineau, Wiesmann, Young, Layton....

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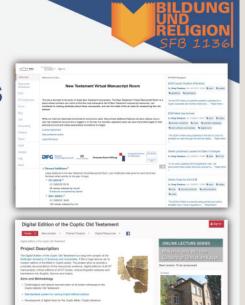
Corpus 2: Besa's Letters and Sermons

- · Besa, Shenoute's successor
- · Two codices with several fragments
 - MONB.BA, MONB.BB ...
- Quotations and allusions were already studied thoroughly by Karl Heinz Kuhn
 - Very precise descriptions of intertextuality
 - Touchstone for TRACER



Comparison corpus

- Sahidic Bible 2.0
- Digital "base text" of Sahidic NT & OT
 - Product of INTF Münster and CoptOT Göttingen



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Sahidic Bible Besa 13,835

Sahidic Bible Canon 6 8414



Too many text reuse candidates!



I chose the Sahidic Psalms



Chosen comparison corpus: Sahidic Psalms

- Desert Fathers and Mothers
 - Both in solitude and with others
- Rituals and liturgies at coenobitic monasteries
- Pachomian Rules
- Previous research
 - Kuhn, Amélineau, Wiesmann
 - Psalms is the second most quotation and allusion source in Besa, the first in Shenoute, Canon 6



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Second attempt (2018)



Besa	TR Cand.		
Letters and Sermons	629		

Shenoute, <i>Canon</i> 6	TR Cand.
He Who Sits Upon His Throne	84
Remember, O Brethren	31
I Am Not Obliged	207
Is It Not Written	98
People Have Not Understood	3
Total	423

Most of them are idiomatic text reuses such as "Fear God/Lord"...





Strategies for analysis

- Levenshtein distance (edit distance)
 - Used as a de facto standard in computer science to measure difference between two texts
 - For objective observation of modifications
 - Quantification of modifications
 - LD = 0 means a verbatim quotation
- Analyzing changes from the source if LD > 0
 - Deletion, insertion, word order change....
 - Synonymic alternation, co-hyponymic alternation...

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Summary of newly found quotations

Besa	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5
Levenshtein distance	15	2	0	3	13
Quotative index phrase	None	None	None	None	None
Shared morphs	14	11	18	11	11
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Canon 6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S 5	S6	S 7	S8	S9	S10	S11	S12	S13
Levenshtein distance	dy found 1	by Behlm 8	ner 2017 3	23	0	4	13	0	20	0	11	7	15
Quotative index phrase	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Post- posed	Post- posed	None	None	None	Pre- posed
Shared morphs	14	11	18	11	11	8	16	7	11	10	7	7	15
Previous studies		Améli	neau		Unpu			,	Amélinea Zoega	u			Améli neau



- Probably, most of the time, from memory, but sometimes with aids (provisional hypothesis)
 - Because of the number of altered and recontextualized quotations
 - This needs more comprehensive studies
- Shenoute and Besa built on the audience's collective memory of the Bible by blending Biblical phrases and concepts with their own monastic ideals

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Research Question 2 How accurate is the quotation?

- Verbatim [LD=0]: B3, S5, S8, S10
- Non-verbatim [LD > 0]: B1, B2, B4, B5, S1, S2, S3, S4, S6, S7, S9, S11, S12, S13
 - Morph alternation: B1, B2, B4 (x2), B5 (x4), S1, S2 (x2), S3 (x2), S4 (x2), S6 (x1), S7 (x3), S11 (x1), S12 (x2), S13 (x2)
 - Morph deletion: B1 (x3), S2, B2, S4 (x2), S11
 - Morph insertion: S4 (x3), S6 (x2), S13 (x5)
 - Word order change: S9

Research Question 3 What signals were employed to mark quotations?

- Grammatical signals: τα-/ν̄τα-, Second Tense, αγω + First Future, ταρεq-... (Shisha-Halevy's studies)
- Phrasal signals: Quotative Index Phrases
 - Preposed QIP (йөс етсна же-): S13
 - Postposed QIP (йөс етсна): S8, S9
 - Consecutive: αγω ον ϫͼ-, αγω ϫͼ-, και γαρ, ... (Behlmer, unpublished)
- Wider study of pre-/post-posed QIP
 - Miyagawa and Behlmer (forthcoming)
 - 21% in Canon 6 and 80% in Besa are pre-posed

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Research Question 4 Is a marked quotation more literal than an unmarked quotation?

- Insufficient number of samples
- Three quotations had QIPs
 - Two of them are verbatim
- The version of the Psalms which the abbots used can be different from Sahidic Bible 2.0
 - More comprehensive study is needed

Research Question 5: What are the opportunities and limitations of digital tools?

- Digital tools (i.e., TRACER and pre-processing tools) aid researchers
 - 5 newly found quotations in Besa (TRACER also missed several quotations Kuhn found)
- Current problem: long preparation time
 - If more digital corpora and tools are provided, the time will be more shortened
 - This study provides the Canon 6 and Besa corpora to Coptic SCRIPTORIUM, etc. in the future

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Dependency parsing of Vedic Sanskrit — Algorithms and linguistic conclusions

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Structure

- Annotation
- Designing a dependency parser for Vedic
- First linguistic and philological results

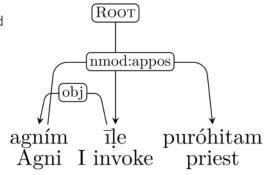
Syntactic dependencies

Aim: Labelling a sentence with syntactic roles and arcs connecting the constituents

Universal Dependencies (UD) standard

Our guidelines:

https://doi.org/10.5167/uzh-212699



Select a text:

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Annotation

See: Hellwig, O., Scarlata, S., Ackermann, E. and Widmer, P. (2020): The Treebank of Vedic Sanskrit. In: Proceedings of the LREC

Labeler based on neural networks

Annotation

Group	Words (dep.)	Sens. (dep.)
Saṃhitā	44666 [35]	6512 [39]
Brāhmaṇa	35489 [28]	4707 [28]
Āraņyaka	3455 [3]	582 [4]
Upanisad	13415 [11]	1747 [11]
Śrautasūtra	12445 [10]	1107 [7]
Gṛhyasūtra	16854 [13]	1837 [11]
Dharmasūtra	205 [0]	33 [0]
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Current dump of the syntactic data:

https://github.com/OliverHellwig/sanskrit/tree/master/papers/2020lrec/treebank

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Background of Dependency Parsing

- •Dependency parsing is the process of analyzing the grammatical structure of a sentence by determining the relationship between "head" words and the words that modify those heads
- •Two parsing methods are widely used: transition-based and graph-based
- •graph-based parsers show better performance for morphologically rich IE languages and for those of the SOV-type; Vedic has both characteristics

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Parser design

- •We adapt the biaffine parser of Dozat and Manning, 2017 since it achieved state of the art UAS on all CoNLL 09 languages and because it has better performance on non-projective languages
- •We add a character-based CNN on the inflected form and integrate a larger number of categorical input features: Morpho-syntax, Verbal nouns, inflected word forms, punctuation and text-historical layers
- •We augment the training data by randomly concatenating up to four, not necessarily subsequent sentences from the training set
- We evaluate the effect of deep contextual embedding models such as ELMo and BERT on the biaffine parser
- •Other parsers for Sanskrit such as Kulkarni 2021 or Krishna et al. 2020/2021 exist, but their application to Vedic is not promising since they either rely on the Pāṇinian system of grammar (Kulkarni) or are trained on a rather small corpus of "Neo-Sanskrit" (Krishna et al. 2020/2021) and thus don't perform satisfyingly on cross-domain tasks

Parser Performance

•Among other available treebanks of premodern languages, the situation of Vedic is probably best compared with that of Latin and Ancient Greek

Corpus	UAS	LAS
Latin PROIEL (Straka 2019)	83.34	78.66
Ancient Greek PROIEL (Straka 2019)	85.93	82.11
Vedic treebank biaffine	87.63	81.68
Vedic treebank DCST	87.61	81.84

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Lexical Embedding strategies

•Evaluation of static (fastText) vs. contextual (RoBERTa-Vedic-GRETIL) embedding strategies with a fixed corpus size of 5000 sentences

Features	Model	UAS	LAS
None	RoBERTa-Vedic-GRETIL	73.4	63.5
	fastText	70	60.3
+POS	RoBERTa-Vedic-GRETIL	75.2	66
	fastText	74.4	65.8
All features	RoBERTa-Vedic-GRETIL	78.5	70.6
	fastText	79.5	72

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Parsing::Conclusions

- •The performance of the biaffine parser on the Vedic treebank is superior for UAS and on pair for LAS with the current state of the art for Ancient Greek PROIEL and Latin PROIEL
- •The larger number of categorical input features and the augmentation of the training data lead to decisive performance gains
- •The additional pretraining performed by DCST does not lead to clear improvements
- •Contextual embedding strategies, while being expensive to train, show a visible performance gain when no or little linguistic information is available; as soon as enough annotation data is available, static embedding strategies in combination with the full ensemble of linguistic information are superior

Parser::Annotation Pipeline

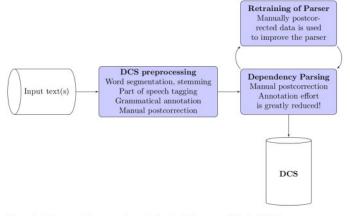


Figure 1: Diagram of the annotation pipeline for Vedic texts within the Digital Corpus of Sanskrit. With the help of the dependency parser, the necessary time and effort for parsing sentences is greatly reduced.

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Evaluation

Vedic syntax not too popular as a research topic:

- Delbrück and a lot of details studies on the Rigveda
- Strong focus on pragmatics
- Few studies on long-range developments
- Few studies quantify their findings with corpus data.
- See: Hock: Issues in Sanskrit syntax, 2-4

What can the treebank data tell us?

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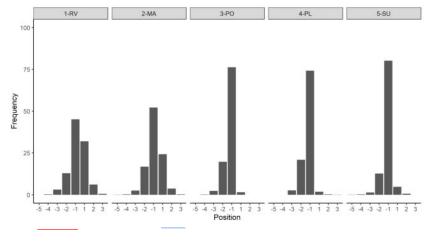
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Q: Are there any relevant diachronic trends in the placement of direct objects?

Data: ~ 5,300 main clauses

Register metrical	prose				
2122	3132				
Diachronic	layers				
1-RV	2-MA	3-PO	4-PL	5-SU	
388	1680	874	1127	1185	
Animacy c	lasses				
Pers. pron.	Pronoun	Person	Animate	Non-animate	Unassigned
375	689	514	173	2945	558

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negative = to the left of the verb

positive = to the right of the verb

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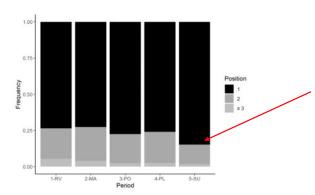
Animacy and register interact with object placement.

Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel tests show that there is a diachronic development even when using animacy/register as control variables.

Which factors are responsible?

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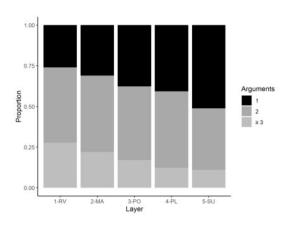


Objects seem to move to the directly preverbal position over the Vedic period.

Is this a diachronic trend? Well, ...

Objects in preverbal placement

Evaluation



> The number of verbal arguments (nsubj, obj, obl, iobj) decreases significantly during the Vedic period.

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Summary

- Syntactic data open new perspectives on the Vedic literature.
- Annotation interface and parsers are available. Collaborations are most welcome!
- Current focus: Detecting chronological syntactic trends and markers in an unsupervised manner.

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