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Crowdsourcing Linguistic Annotations

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“Crowdsourcing is the process of leveraging public participation in or contributions to projects and activities.”

(Hedges & Dunn 2017)

“Crowdsourcing is a type of participative online activity in which an individual, an institution, a non-profit organization, or company proposes to a group of individuals of varying knowledge, heterogeneity, and number, via a flexible open call, the voluntary undertaking of a task. The undertaking of the task, of variable complexity and modularity, and in which the crowd should participate bringing their work, money, knowledge and/or experience, always entails mutual benefit. The user will receive the satisfaction of a given type of need, be it economic, social recognition, self-esteem, or the development of individual skills, while the crowdsourcer will obtain and utilize to their advantage that what the user has brought to the venture, whose form will depend on the type of activity undertaken.”

(Estellés-Arolas & González-Ladrón-de-Guevara 2012)

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Dvandva-Follis

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Follow-Haswed

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Hat-Intervacuum

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Interval-Looze

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Look-M

Oxford English Dictionary

The Amazon Mechanical Turk homepage features a dark background with a complex network graph of blue lines and dots. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Overview, Features, Pricing, Help, Developer Resources, Customers, and a yellow "Sign in as a Requester" button. Below the navigation is a large header with the text "Amazon Mechanical Turk" and a subtext "Access a global, on-demand, 24x7 workforce". A yellow "Get started with Amazon Mechanical Turk" button is positioned below the subtext.

Amazon Mechanical Turk (MTurk) is a crowdsourcing marketplace that makes it easier for individuals and businesses to outsource their processes and jobs to a distributed workforce who can perform these tasks virtually. This could include anything from conducting simple data validation and research to more subjective tasks like survey participation, content moderation, and more. MTurk enables companies to harness the collective intelligence, skills, and insights from a global workforce to streamline business processes, augment data collection and analysis, and accelerate machine learning development.

While technology continues to improve, there are still many things that human beings can do much more effectively than computers, such as moderating content, performing data deduplication, or research. Traditionally, tasks like this have been accomplished by hiring a large temporary workforce, which is time consuming, expensive and difficult to scale, or have gone undone. Crowdsourcing is a good way to break down a manual, time-consuming project into smaller, more man-

The Prolific homepage has a green header with the Prolific logo, a "CHECK SAMPLE" button, and links for "HOW IT WORKS", "PRICING", and "PARTICIPANTS". On the right side of the header are "HELP CENTRE", "LOGIN", and a "SIGN UP" button. The main content area features a large teal globe with several colored dashed lines (blue, red, yellow) representing global reach. The text "Quickly find research participants you can trust." is displayed prominently. Below this, a paragraph explains the service: "Launch your study to tens of thousands of trusted participants in minutes. Recruit niche or representative samples on-demand. Prolific builds the most powerful and flexible tools for online research. Sign up for free." Two sections follow: "Research" (describing high-quality responses from people around the world within minutes) and "Participate" (describing engaging research, cash earnings, and knowledge improvement). Each section has a "SIGN UP TO RESEARCH" or "SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE" button.

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Games with a purpose



Crowdsourcing Examples from my Recent Projects

ELEXIS - European Lexicographic Infrastructure

- H2020 Project
- February 2018 - July 2022
- 17 Partners, 52 Observers
- Integrate, extend and harmonise national and regional efforts in the field of lexicography, both modern and historical
- Create a sustainable infrastructure



<https://elex.is>

ELEXIS: Annotation of Semantic Relations

Annotated Data: Example for German

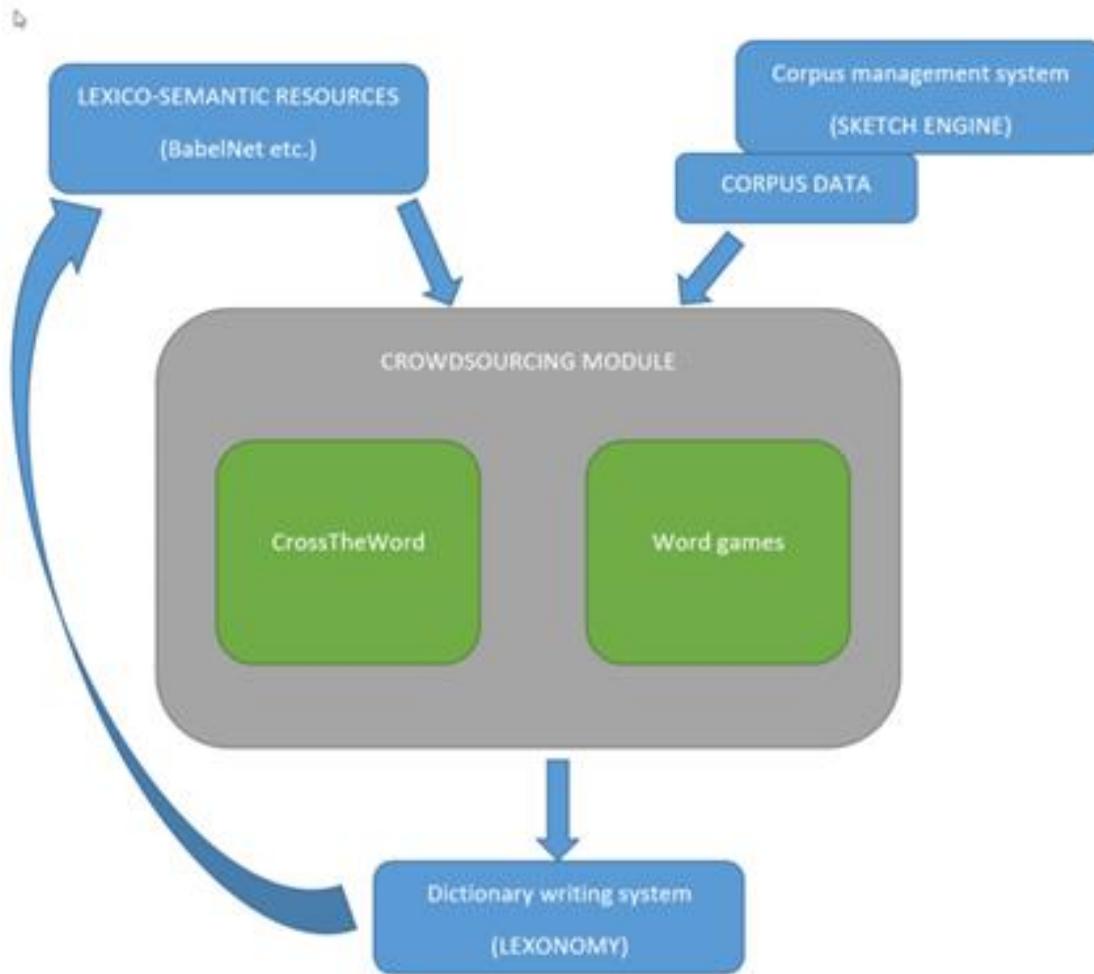
Semantic Relation

exact	The sense are the same, for example the definitions are simply paraphrases
broader	The sense in the first dictionary completely covers the meaning of the sense in the second dictionary and is applicable to further meanings
narrower	The sense in the first dictionary is entirely covered by the sense of the second dictionary, which is applicable to further meanings
related	There are cases when the senses may be equal but the definitions in both dictionaries differ in key aspects
NONE	There is no match for this sense

Headword	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z		
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			einer der zwölf Abschnitte, ir	NONE	▼																							
			mittlerer Teil eines Hammerk	NONE	▼																							
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			Erboden oder Fußboden	narrower	▼	Der entfernteste Teil in	▼																					
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			Grundlage, Basis	NONE	▼																							
			Tortenboden	NONE	▼																							
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			für Liebe, Seele, Güte	narrower	▼	Stilisierte Darstellung d	▼	Stilisierte Darstellung des Körperorgans, in Form von zwe																				
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			Zentrum	NONE	▼																							
Verkehr(noun,masculin)																												
			Bewegung von Fahrzeugen,	narrower	▼	Die Bewegung von Fal	▼	Die Bewegung von Fahrzeugen, Schiffen, Fluggeräten, P																				

(cf. Ahmadi et al. 2020)

ELEXIS: Crowdsourcing Module



(ELEXIS D4.3 Crowdsourcing Module)

ELEXIS: CrossTheWord

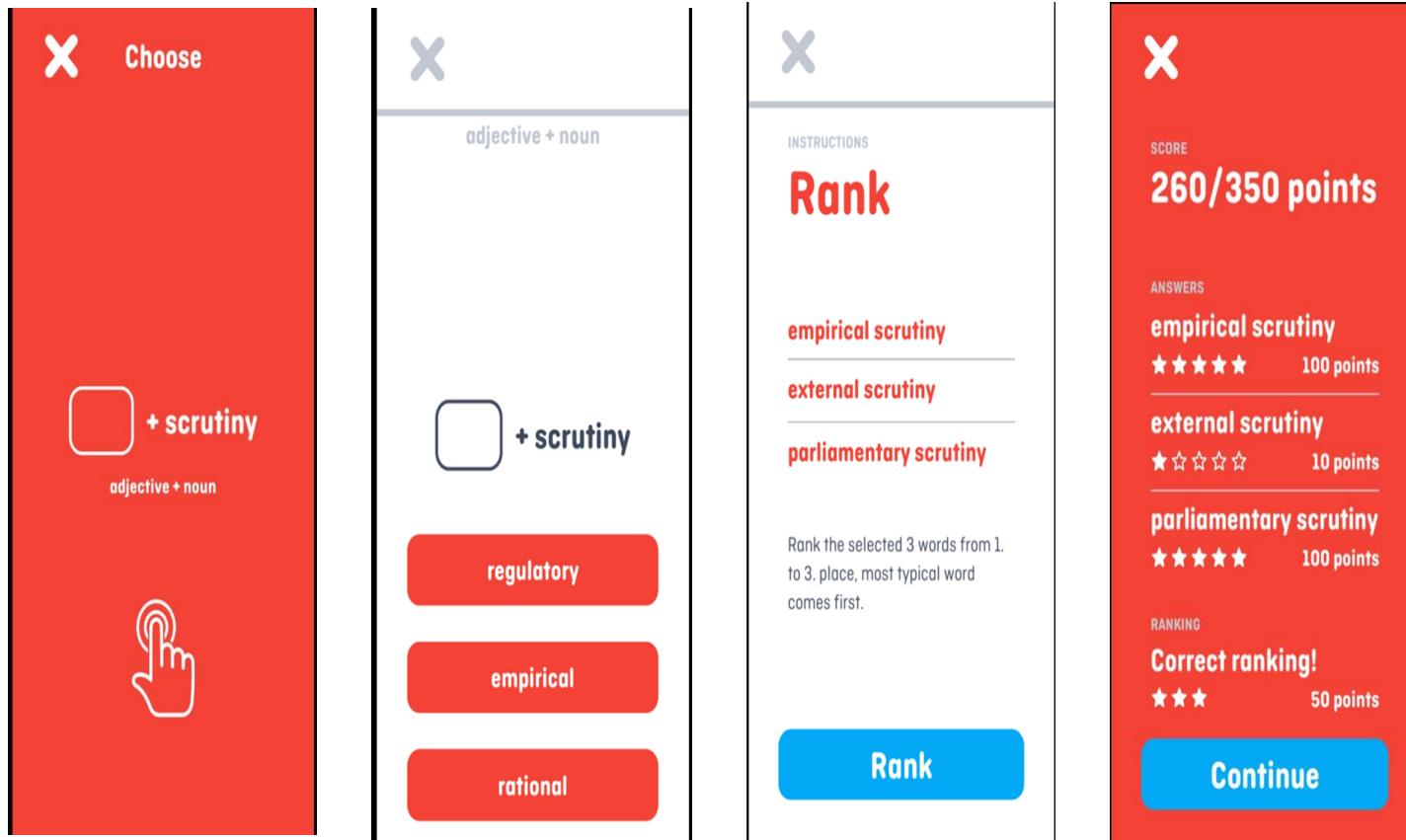
CrossTheWord



(ELEXIS D4.3 Crowdsourcing Module)

ELEXIS: Game of Words

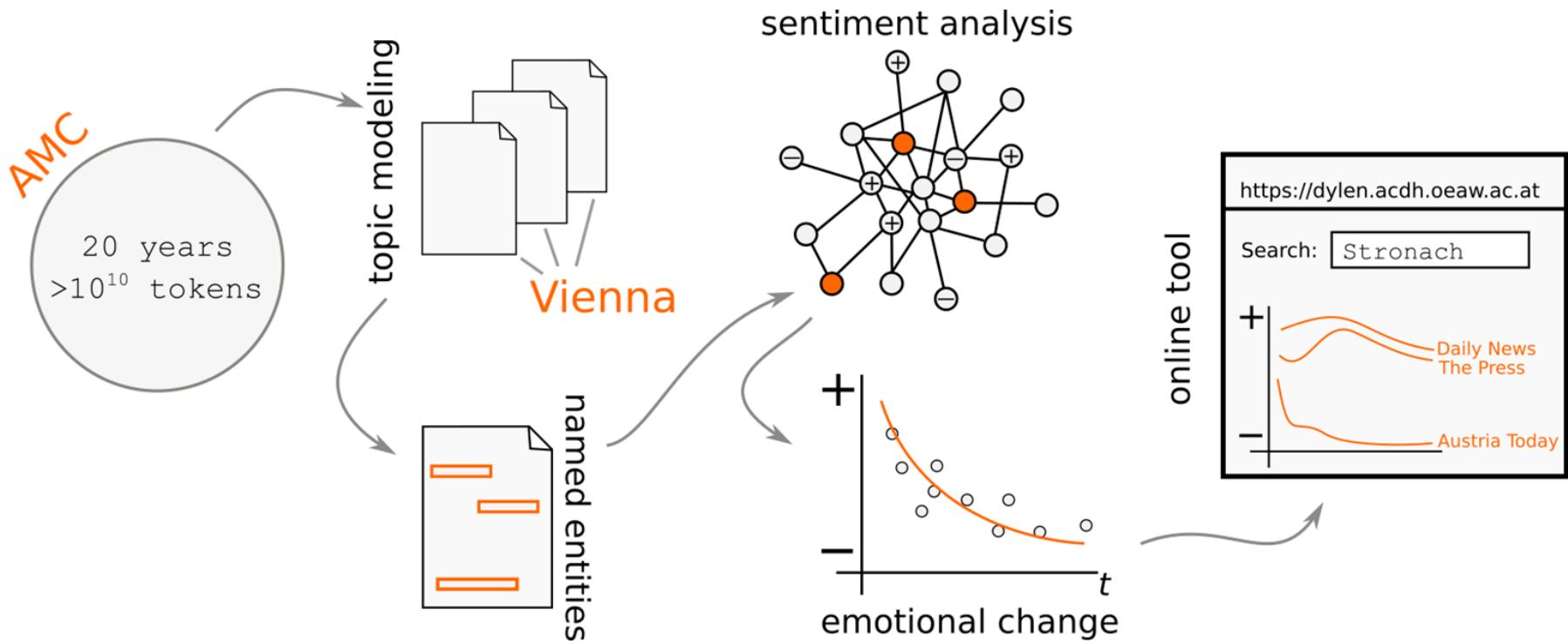
Game of words



(ELEXIS D4.3 Crowdsourcing Module)

DYSEN: Sentiment Annotation of Media Text Snippets

- Dynamic Sentiment Analysis as Emotional Compass for the Digital Media Landscape (Original German Title: Dynamische Sentimentanalyse als emotionaler Kompass für die digitale Medienlandschaft)



Crowdsourcing Platform: Prolific

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Crowdsourcing Platform: Prolific

Using our demographic filters to prescreen participants



Prolific Team
12 September 2018 17:18

On Prolific, you have the option to enter prescreening criteria to filter the participants you need.

Here are a few examples of the several hundred demographic criteria you can currently filter by:

- Sex
- Age
- Nationality
- Country of Birth
- Current country of residence
- Within the United States: Current US state of residence and US state of birth
- First Language
- Ethnicity
- Employment status & domain
- Student status & field of study
- Political affiliation
- Religious affiliation
- Sexual orientation
- Handedness
- Marital status
- Socioeconomic status

DYSEN: Sentiment Annotation of Media Text Snippets

Sentiments: positiv, negativ, neutral

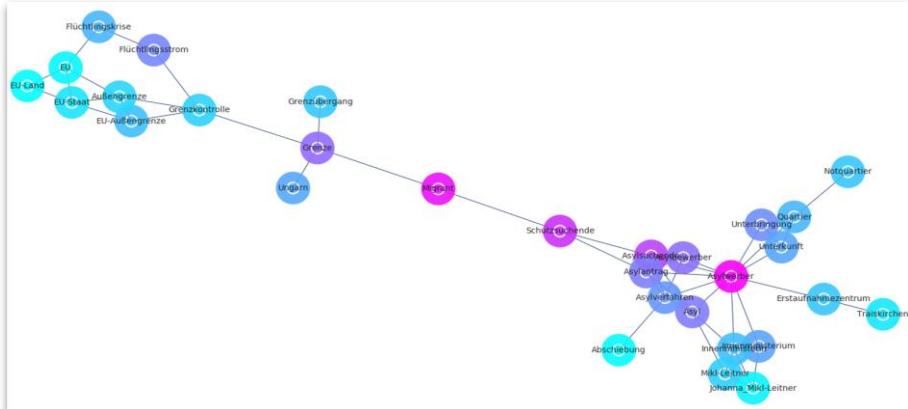
Examples of media text snippets

Der Sachverhalt der Disziplinaranzeige stütze sich lediglich auf die Erhebungen der Sonderkommission. In der Anzeige heißt es, dass in dem Verhalten Kreißls ein absoluter Vertrauensbruch gesehen werde. Deshalb würde die schwerste Disziplinarstrafe, die Entlassung aus dem Staatsdienst, angeregt.

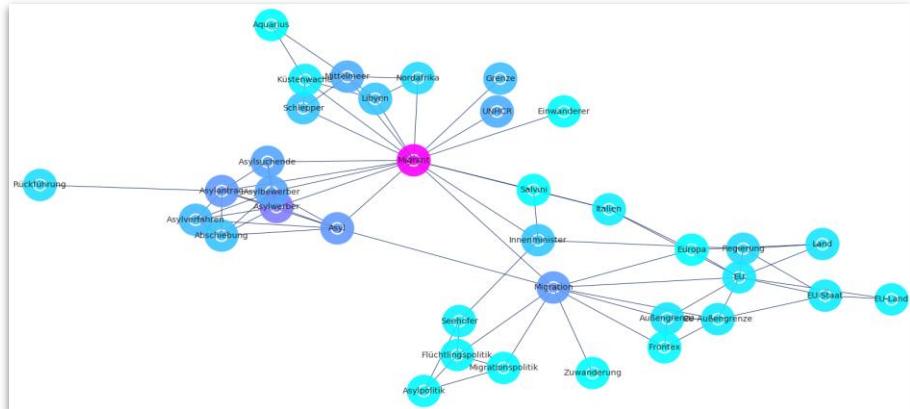
Riegler erklärte in Wien zum Antreten zweier Kandidaten, dies sei keine Zerreißprobe für die Partei, sondern könne ihr "viel Motivation bringen". Die Parteitagsdelegierten würden mit Busek "einen der fähigsten Politiker, den die VP aufzubieten hat", vorfinden. Mit Görg stehe "ein Mensch mit vielen Fähigkeiten" zur Verfügung.

DYLEN: Sentiment Annotation of Austriacisms

- Diachronic Dynamics of Lexical Networks
- Detecting contextual shifts with networks: emergence/conflation of contexts/senses



'Migrant' in 2016



'Migrant' in 2018

DYLEN: Sentiment Annotation of Austriacisms

Examples of Austriazisms

fesch A D Adj. [fe:S A, fES A D] <kurz für engl. fashionable ‚modisch‘: →schnieke D-nord/mittelwest (bes. Berlin) , hübsch, gut aussehend‘

Exekution A die; -, -en <aus lat. ex(s)ecutio ‚Vollstreckung‘> (Recht): →Betreibung CH, →Beitreibung D ‚Vollstreckung von [finanziellen] Ansprüchen, z. B. Pfändung, Zwangsräumung etc.‘

(Variantenwörterbuch des Deutschen 2016)

DYLEN: Sentiment Annotation of Austriacisms

- Multi-stage approach (cf. Rouces et al. 2018) with two rounds of crowdsourced human annotations
 1. Direct score annotation (negative, neutral, positive)
 2. Best-Worth Scaling (4-tuples, most negative, most positive)

Example of 4-tuples

Item 1	Item 2	Item 3	Item 4
Rodel	Knödelakademie	Keiler	Gelenksbeschwerden
brennheiß	Stornoversicherung	Scherz(e)l	sich ausgehen

Thank you for listening!

Project Websites:

ELEXIS <https://elex.is/>

DYLEN <https://dylen.acdh.oeaw.ac.at/>

DYSEN <https://dylen.acdh.oeaw.ac.at/dysen/>

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