

Linguistic examples and trees

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Special characters

- Most text editors have the 26 English letters as a default setting.
- However, we want to write examples in Greek, Icelandic, Slavic, Russian, French, Norwegian, IPA . . .
- Two important factors to facilitate non-English characters: text encoding and packages

Text encoding

- Characters are stored as codes in the system.
- By using font encoding, you will need to type codes to generate diacronic signs and special characters. `\{"a}` → ä
- By using UTF-8 encoding, the programme decodes the input in the compilation so that the output equals the input: ä is typed this way in the input.
- In order to use non-English characters, add the following to the preamble:

```
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc}
```

The Babel package

- The babel package provides the necessary data to write text in other languages than English, both with respect to special characters and hyphenation.
- Add the following to the preamble:

```
\usepackage{babel}
```

- Specify the language between brackets within the command and the package:

```
\usepackage[français]{babel}
```

- You can specify an illimited number of languages separated by commas. The last language will be the main language of the document.

```
\usepackage[français, icelandic, english]{babel}
```

Exercise 1 – change the language

Open a new file and type the following:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[russian, greek, english, german, latin, francais]{babel}
\usepackage{blindtext}

\begin{document}

\Blindtext

\end{document}
```

- 1 Compile the document.
- 2 Change the order of the languages and compile again. Repeat.

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input: `\selectlanguage{russian}{text}`

output: Я помню чудное мгновенье:

Передо мной явилась ты

input: `\selectlanguage{greek}{text}`

output: Είμαι Χριστινά

Exercice 2 – insert Greek and Cyrillic text

Open a new file and type the following:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[russian, greek, francais, german, latin, english]{babel}
```

```
\begin{document}
```

This is an example of how to insert Cyrillic and Greek letters into a document in English. First some Russian text `\selectlanguage{russian}{whatever Cyrillic letters you find}`, then some Greek `\selectlanguage{greek}{something in Greek}`.

```
\end{document}
```

Compile the document.

The Linguex package

- The Linguex package was ‘designed for the lazy linguist’.
- Facilitates numbering of examples, glossing, and bracketing.
- The package is specified in the preamble.

```
\usepackage{linguex}
```

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`\ex.` This is another example

output:

(1) This is an example.

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`\a.` This is type a.

`\b.` This is type b.

output:

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a. This is type a.

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Glossing

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input:

```
\exg. Ronja er en snill hest.\\
```

```
Ronja is a kind horse \\
```

```
'Ronja is a kind horse.'
```

output:

```
(1) Ronja er en snill hest.  

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```

Exercise 3 – Add examples to your text

```
\documentclass{article}
```

```
\usepackage[english]{babel} (add any other language you want)
```

```
\usepackage{linguex}
```

```
\begin{document}
```

It is always important to add examples to a text.

```
\ex. This is my first example.
```

```
\a. This is my level a. example.
```

It is equally important to gloss examples.

```
\exg. Du er en trollmann, Harry, sa Gygrid. \ \
```

```
you are a wizard Harry said Hagrid \ \
```

```
'You're a wizard Harry, said Hagrid.'
```

```
\end{document}
```

Exercise 4 – Add italics

The file you just compiled looks good – but you may want to put all the quotes in italics. This can easily be done, adding a command to your body immediately after the command `\begin{document}`.

```
\let\eachwordone\itshape
```

Compile the document

Bracketing

- It is useful to use brackets in linguistic examples.
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input: `\exi.` [DP Ronja] [V is] [DP a kind horse].

output:

(1) [DP Ronja] [V is] [DP a kind horse].

Cross-references

- Cross-references may be used at all levels: to examples, sections, and pages.
- `\label{label1}` creates a bookmark.
- The command `\ref{label1}` produces a cross-reference to the point where `label1` has been placed.
- The command `\pageref{label1}` produces a cross-reference to the page where `label1` has been placed.
- The file must be compiled twice to generate cross-references.

Exercise 5 – Add brackets and cross-references

Use the file you just compiled.

- 1 After your first example, add `\label{ex}`
- 2 Add the following lines after the text you have already entered.

```
\exi. [DP Harry] [V is] [DP a wizard]
```

- 3 Compile the document.
- 4 Below, write the following:

```
As we saw in example \ref{ex}, this is an example.
```

- 5 Compile the document twice.

The Xyling package

- The Xyling package makes it possible to draw trees, indicate movement with arrows, and a lot more.
- The following code must be added to the preamble:

```
\usepackage{xyling}
```

Drawing trees

- Drawing trees is based on points (or columns) in a grid.
- The tree is declared in the following way:

```
\Tree{}
```

- Columns are separated by &.
- Rows are separated by \\

Drawing trees

```
input: \Tree{
  &&A \ \
  &B && C \ \
  D&&E&&F }
```

output:

A

B

C

D

E

F

Exercise 6 – Draw a grid

Open a new file. Write the following code. Compile.

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{xyling}
\begin{document}

\Tree{
&&A \ \
&B && C \ \
D&&E&&F }

\end{document}
```

Drawing trees

- In order to draw a tree, we need branches.
- The branches are declared in the following way:

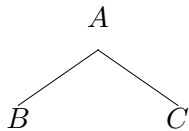
```
\B{dl}
```

```
\B{d}
```

```
\B{dr}
```

- B = branch; d = down; r = right; l = left
- These may be accumulated: dd = down two steps; rrr = three steps to the right.
- NB! For branches to be shown, typesetting must be set to produce DVI files.

Drawing trees



Exercise 7 – Add branches

Use the file you just created. Add branches. Compile.

```
\B{dl}
```

```
\B{d}
```

```
\B{dr}
```

Problems? Check the following:

- Do you compile using Tex/DVI?
- No branch can reach an empty point in the grid (or an empty line)

Generative trees

- Xyling features built-in macros for drawing generative trees
- The following codes will generate a node or a node (+ branches) (works for CP, TP, VP, and NP)

```
\VP
```

```
\Vbar
```

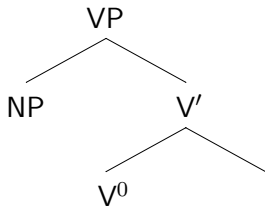
```
\Vzero
```


Drawing trees

input:

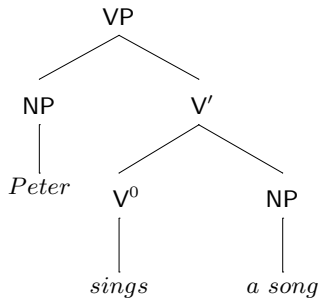
```
\Tree{ && \VP\\  
& \NP && \Vbar\\  
&& \Vzero && \\  
}
```

output:



Exercise 8 – Draw this tree

Use the preamble from the previous tree. Use the macros described above. Draw the tree below.



Exercise 8 – code

```

\Tree{
  && \VP
  & \NP \B{d} && \Vbar \ \
  & Peter& \Vzero \B{d}&& \NP \B{d}
  & \ \
  &&sings && a \ song}

```

Notes

- The Xyling package offers an array of possibilities regarding treedrawing, arrows, highlighting etc. We refer to the package documentation for more info on the features of this packages.
- Also the Linguex package has more features than shown in this presentation. Here too, the package documentation is a useful document.