



UDante. Dante's Latin Works in the LiLa Knowledge Base

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Overview



The LiLa Knowledge Base

UDante

Research question

State of affairs



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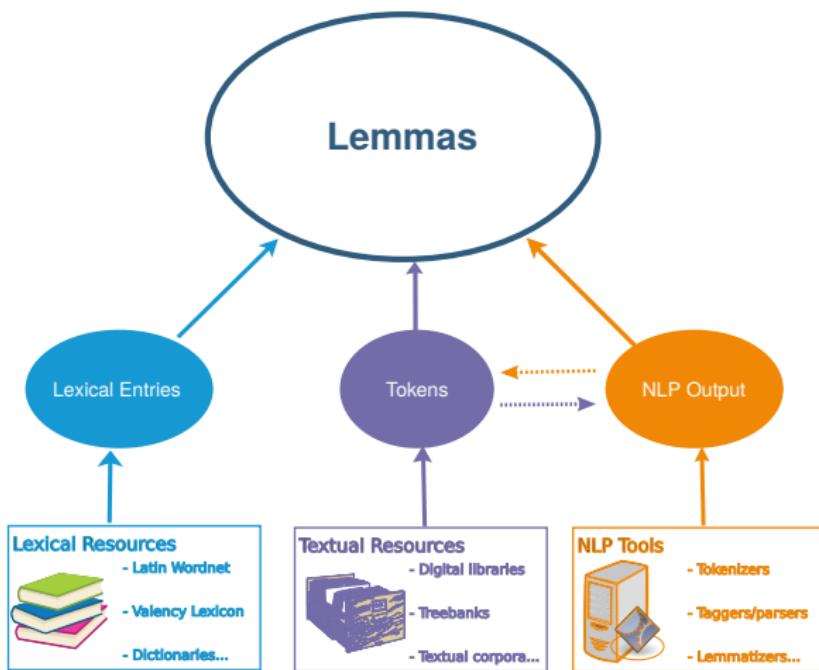
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Scattered and unconnected

LiLa Knowledge Base

Lexically-based architecture and (meta)data sources



The Linked Data Principles

...just to be FAIR



- ▶ Use URIs for things (e.g. an entry in a lexicon, a token in a corpus)
- ▶ Use HTTP URIs to allow people (and machines) to look up things
- ▶ Use web standards to represent/query (meta)data, such as RDF and SPARQL
- ▶ Include links to other URIs

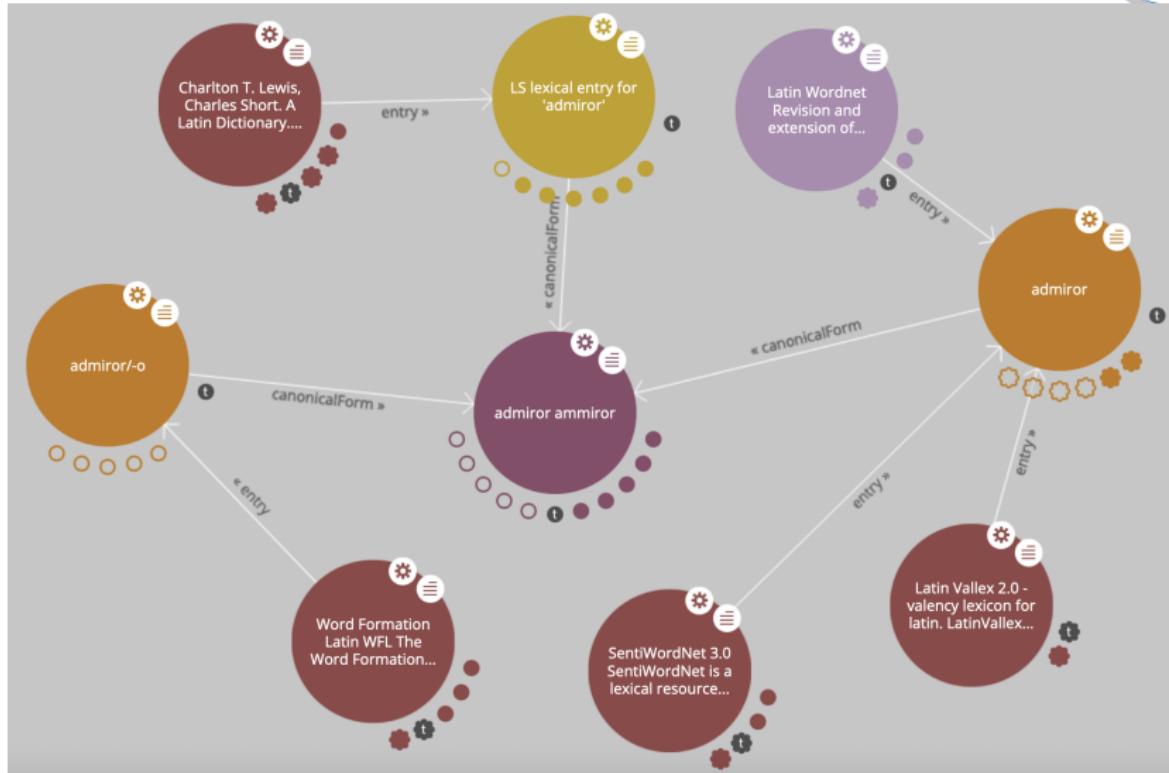
Meet a Lemma!

<http://lila-erc.eu/data/id/lemma/87541>



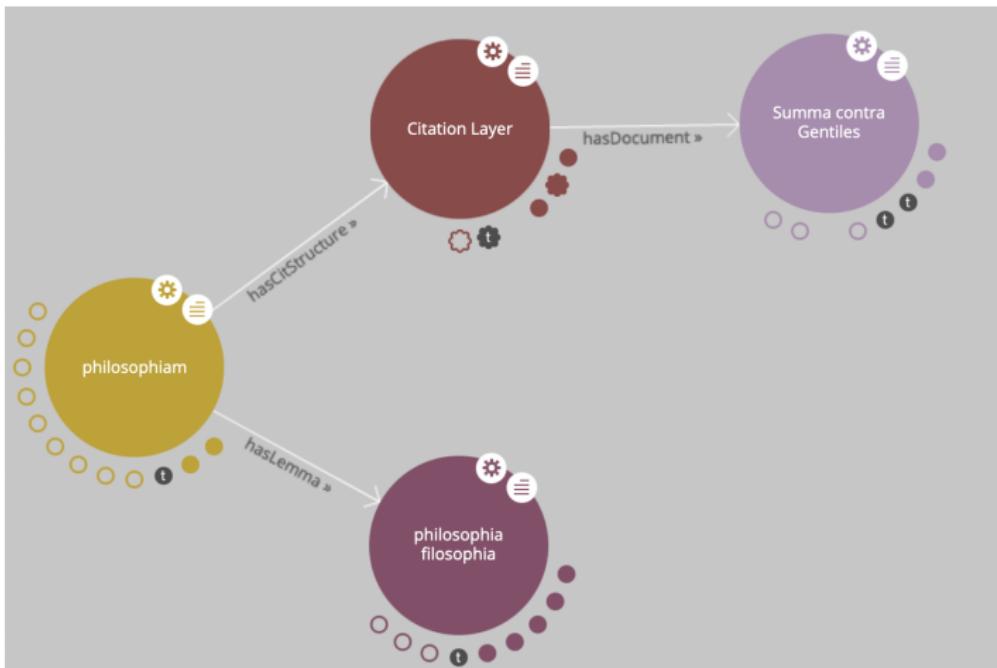
Lemma **admiror** 'to admire, to respect'

...and its Lexical Entries!



...and its Tokens!

http://lila-erc.eu/data/corpora/ITTB/id/token/005.SCG*LB1.CP--++1.N.1-1.2-4W4



Token **philosophiam** (Thom. Aq., *Summa Contra Gentiles* 1.1.5)

► Textual Resources

- Index Thomisticus Treebank (*Summa contra Gentiles*): ca. 450,000 nodes
- UDante: ca. 55,000 tokens
- Liber Abbaci, Chapter VIII: ca. 30,000 tokens
- Querulus sive Aulularia: ca. 17,000 tokens
- PROIEL and LLCT treebanks
- Computational Historical Semantics, LASLA and CroALa Corpora

► Lexical Resources

- Word Formation Latin: ca. 46,000 lemmas (Classical Latin)
- Etymological dictionary of Latin & the other Italic Langs.: ca. 1,400 entries
- LatinAffectus: ca. 4,000 entries
- Index Graecorum Vocabulorum in Linguam Latinam: ca. 1,800 entries
- Latin WordNet: ca. 1,000 manually checked entries
- Latin Vallex 2.0: Valency Lexicon
- Lewis & Short Dictionary
- Lemma Embeddings

► NLP tools

- LEMLAT (lemma bank): ca. 150,000 lemmas

► TOTAL: approximately 15 million triples

UDante: What is it?



- ▶ Corpus of Dante's Latin works annotated following the *Universal Dependencies* (UD) formalism:
 - *Monarchia, De vulgari eloquentia, Eclogues, Letters, Questio de aqua et terra*
 - tokenization, sentence splitting, lemmatization, PoS tagging, morphological features, syntactic annotation
 - 55,666 tokens
 - texts taken from *DanteSearch*

UDante: What we have done?



Two activities:

1. linguistic annotation: semiautomatic conversion from DanteSearch + manual syntactic annotation from scratch

Published in **UD release v2.8**

https://github.com/UniversalDependencies/UD_Latin-UDante

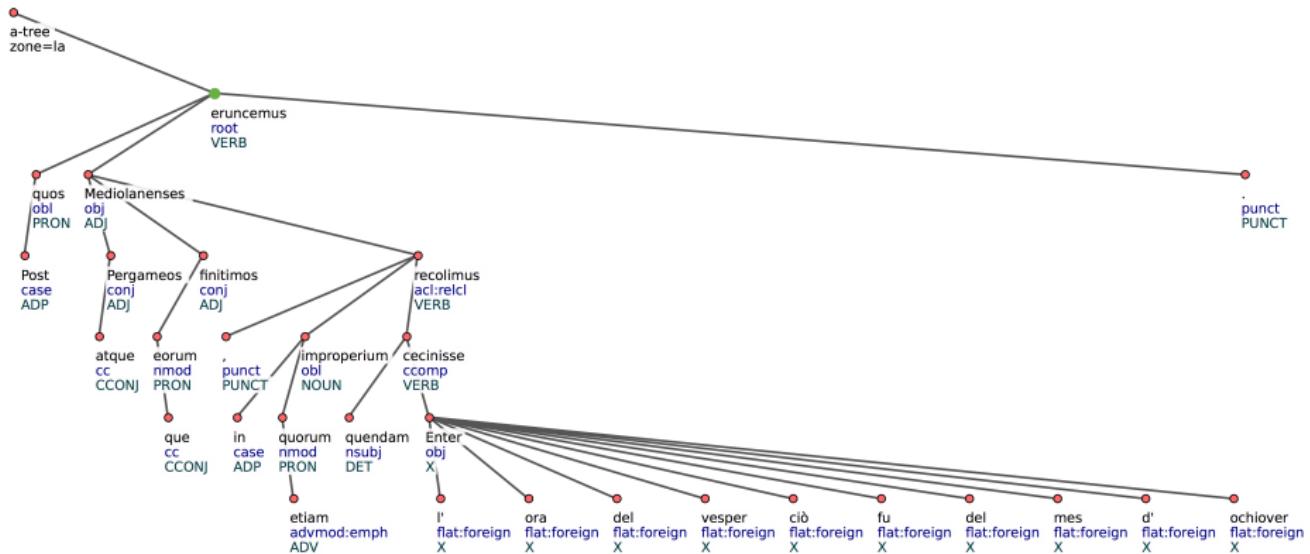
2. linking of UDante to the LiLa Knowledge Base

Published in **Linked Open Data**

<https://lila-erc.eu/data/corpora/DanteSearch/id/corpus>

Syntactic Annotation

DVE I xi 5: *Post quos Mediolanenses atque Pergameos eorumque finitimos eruncemus, in quorum etiam improperium quendam cecinisse recolimus Enter l'ora del vesper, ciò fu del mes d'ochiover.*



Data Format: CoNLL-U



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# sent_id = DVE-124
# text = Post quos Mediolanenses atque Pergameos eorumque finitimos eruncemus, in quorum etiam improprium quandam cecinisse recolimus Enter l' ora del vesper ciò
fu del mes d' ochiover.
# citation_hierarchy = Liber_Primus.xi,Paragraphus_5
1 Post post ADP e AdpType=Prep
2 quos qui PRON prepmg Case=Acc|Gender=Masc|InflClass=LatPron|Number=Plur|PronType=Rel
3 Mediolanenses mediolanensis ADJ Smp3a Case=Acc|Gender=Masc|InflClass=IndEurI|NameType=Nat|Number=Plur
4 atque atque CCONJ co Emphatic=Yes
5 Pergameos pergameus ADJ Smp2a Case=Acc|Gender=Masc|InflClass=IndEuroO|NameType=Nat|Number=Plur
6-7 eorumque _ _ 
6 eorum is PRON ddepmp Case=Gen|Gender=Masc|InflClass=LatPron|Number=Plur|Person=3|PronType=Prs
7 que que CCONJ co9 Clitic=Yes
8 finitimos finitimus ADJ smp2a Case=Acc|Gender=Masc|InflClass=IndEurO|Number=Plur
9 eruncemus erunco VERB valcпп1 Aspect=Imp|InflClass=LatA|Mood=Sub|Number=Plur|Person=1|Tense=Pres|VerbForm=Fin|Voice=Act
10 , , PUNCT Pu -
11 in in ADP e AdpType=Prep
12 quorum qui PRON prepmg Case=Gen|Gender=Masc|InflClass=LatPron|Number=Plur|PronType=Rel
13 etiam etiam ADV co Compound=Yes
14 improprium improprium NOUN sns2a Case=Acc|Gender=Neut|InflClass=IndEuroO|Number=Sing
15 quandam quidam DET dinsma Case=Acc|Gender=Masc|InflClass=LatPron|Number=Sing|PronType=Ind
16 cecinisse cano VERB va3fr Aspect=Perf|InflClass=LatX|InflClass[noun]=Ind|Tense=Past|VerbForm=Inf|Voice=Act
17 recolimus recolo VERB va3ipp1 Aspect=Imp|InflClass=LatX|Mood=Ind|Number=Plur|Person=1|Tense=Pres|VerbForm=Fin|Voice=Act
18 Enter enter X zi Foreign=Yes
19 l' l X zi Foreign=Yes
20 ora ora X zi Foreign=Yes
21 del del X zi Foreign=Yes
22 vesper uesper X zi Foreign=Yes
23 ciò cio X zi Foreign=Yes
24 fu fu X zi Foreign=Yes
25 del del X zi Foreign=Yes
26 mes mes X zi Foreign=Yes
27 d' d X zi Foreign=Yes
28 ochiover ochiouer X zi Foreign=Yes
29 . . PUNCT Pu -
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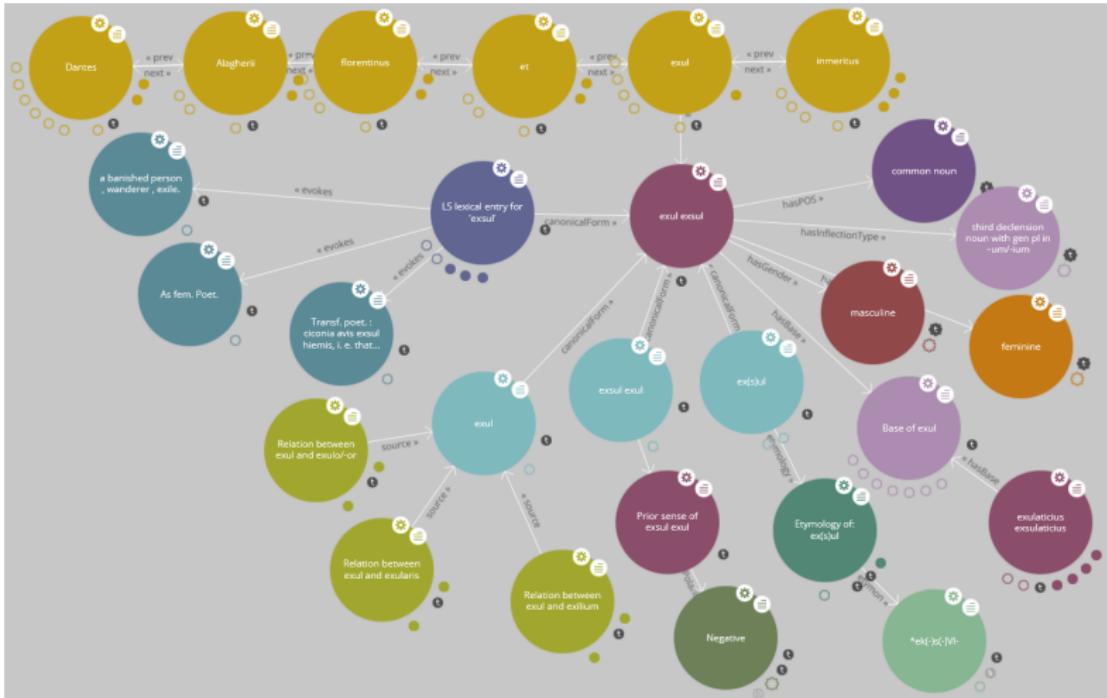
Semi-automatic linking of the lemmas in Dante's works to their corresponding entries in the LiLa Lemma Bank:

1. automatic matching (~80%)
2. manual linking of:
 - ▶ ambiguous lemmas: e.g. *frons*
 - ▶ new lemmas: e.g.
 - proper names: *Caualcantis*
 - feminine abstract common nouns: *depauperatio*
 - neuter common nouns: *parysillabum*
 - ethnonyms: *lombardus*
 - neologisms: *turpiloquium*

Linking Example



► Try it yourself: <https://tinyurl.com/exul-epiVI-1>



Querying Interlinked Resources



- ▶ Which are the lemmas used by Dante only in the *De vulgari eloquentia* and not in his other Latin works?
 - We query both UDante and the Lemma Bank with a SPARQL query

LEMMA	FREQ
<i>cantio</i>	65
<i>stantia</i>	30
<i>hendecasyllabum</i>	18
<i>quare</i>	18
<i>syllaba</i>	18
<i>habitudo</i>	17
<i>poetor</i>	16

LEMMA	FREQ
<i>eptasillabum</i>	15
<i>constructio</i>	14
<i>loquela</i>	14
<i>latius</i>	12
<i>desinentia</i>	11
<i>profero</i>	11
<i>curialis</i>	10

- ▶ Try it yourself: [https://github.com/CIRCSE/SPARQL-queries/
blob/main/distinctivelammes-DVE.rq](https://github.com/CIRCSE/SPARQL-queries/blob/main/distinctivelammes-DVE.rq)

Query Interface, Triplestore

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- ▶ Triplestore

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- ▶ Latin WordNet
- ▶ Latin Vallex 2.0

Thanks!

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