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TEI Modelling of Lexicographic Data in the DARIAH-PL Project

The main goal of the "DARIAH-PL Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities" project is building the Dariah.lab infrastructure, which would allow for sharing and integrated access to digital resources and data from various fields of the humanities and arts. Among numerous tasks that the Institute of Polish Language, Polish Academy of Sciences coordinates, we are working towards the integration of our lexicographic data with the LLOD resources (Chiarcos et al. 2012). The essential step of this task is to convert the raw text of a dozen of paper-born dictionaries into TEI-compliant XML format (TEI Consortium).

In this paper we would like to outline the main issues involved in TEI XML modelling of these heterogeneous lexicographic data.

In the first part, we give a brief overview of the formal and content features of the dictionaries. For the most part, they are multi-volume works developed between the 1950s and 2010s with the research community in mind, and as such they are rich in information and structurally complex. They cover diachronic development (from medieval Polish and Latin to present-day Polish) and the functional variation of Polish (general language vs. dialects, proper names).

BAGROWNIK 'robetnik obelugujący poglębiarkę': Bagrovńich robę na hagray Kasz S VII 5.

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BAGROWNI 'ryby — większe płokk': Grac Czel] AJPI Im 5; Kacze [Spise BAGROWKI 'ryby — większe płokk': Gzel AJPI 139; Frydwan n-ter ZNUJ Gzel] AJPI 139; Frydwan n-ter ZNUJ GZEL] AJPI 139; Frydwan n-ter ZNUJ GZEL] AJPI 139; Frydwan n-ter ZNUJ GZEL AJPI 139; Frydwan n-ter ZNUJ GZEL AJPI 137; Labouierz boch PZ II 357.

H. BAGUN 'zolądek w zetierzeqt': Bagen Grawka n-ter ZNUJ GZEL AJPI 137; Labouierz boch PZ II 357.

H. BAGUN Forma: Bayun Gietrawold olsz [N Troki, Wilno ZSER] jw.

Znaczenie: 'rodlina — bagno (Ledum polustre)': Gietrawold olsz [N Troki, Wilno ZSER] jw.

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BahlaJMA 'o exlowicku: niesdara' (Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia' oczyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia' oczyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia' oczyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia' oczyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia' oczyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia 'cozyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwierdzenia 'cozyniście': Bai tak! Bai zo tak Sucha [Cicazyn Czel] AJS II n 5; a. w potwie

Vladislaides: Mesco Wladislaides ...
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Wladislaidem Bokeslaum XIV (ce 1194–
1205) Kedi s. 397, 405; Casiminus Wladislaides lagilo 1403/1404 (1450) MPH
III s. 120 (cf. Serenissimi principis, 60mini Wladislai ... regis Polorie ... et ...
filiorum suorum ... Wladislai et Kasimiri
1432 UPL 57 s. 83); Daces Plocranes
Wladislaides, seiliett Semovitus et Wladislaus 1403/1464 (1462) MPH III s. 121
(cf. Wladislaus, Masoviae et Plocensis princeps ... fillis duobus Semovitu et Wladislaidas (I pro Wladislaides) Meskonem
150 (et Salamen XIV—XV (XIII) 895 s. 551
(cf. Boleslaus, filius Wladislai cum fratre
suo Mescone XV (1163) MPH II s. 875);
Anna, filia Gedymini ... costoes Kazimiri,
regis Peloriie Wladislaidis dicti Locthicenis XV (XIII)—XV; sab a, 1339) MPH
III s. 199 (cf. Kazimirus, filius regis Polosiic Wladyslay dicti Loctek duxit uxorem, Annam somilee ... filiam Gedimini,
ducis Litvanorum on 1341 (sub e. 1325)
MPH II s. 884).

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Dictionary of Old Polish Personal Names

Zły formy: n. sg. m. zły Gn 14b. 173a. 181b, etc. etc.; f. zła Gn 12a, 1449 R XXV 165, ca 1450 PF IV 568, etc.; neutr. złe Gn 183b, Fl i Puł 77, 10. 90, 10, etc. etc.; ~ g. sg. m. złego Fl 70, 5, Fl i Puł 42, 1. 100, 5, etc.; f. złe BZ Lev 21, 7, SkargaWroc w. 58; złej Fl i Puł 118, 101, 1449 R XXV 164, XV med. R Dictionary of Old Polish

On a practical level, this means that, first, substantial effort had to be put into optimizing the quality of the OCR output. Since, except for grobid-dictionaries (Khemakhem et al. 2018), there are no tools at the moment that would enable easy conversion of lexicographic data, the subsequent phase of structuring of dictionary text had to be applied on a *per resource* basis.

TEI XML annotation has three main goals. First, it is a means of preserving the textuality of dictionaries which make heavy use of formatting conventions to convey information and employ a complex system of text-based internal cross-references. Second, TEI modelling aims at a better

understanding of each resource and its explicit description. The analysis is performed by lexicographers who may, however, come from a lexicographic tradition different from the one embodied in a particular dictionary, and thus need to make their interpretation of the dictionary text explicit. Regardless, this way we may also detect and correct editorial inconsistencies, which are natural for collective works developed over many years. Third, the annotated text is meant to be the input used in the alignment and linking tasks, it is therefore crucial that functionally equivalent structures are annotated in a systematic and coherent way. As we plan to provide an integrated access to the dictionaries, the TEI XML representation is also where the first phase of data reconciliation takes place. It does not only concern the structural units of a typical dictionary entry, such as <sense/> or <form/>, but also mapping between units of analytical language the dictionaries employ, such as labels, bibliographic reference system etc.

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