

# Lecture 11: Linguistic Annotation

LING 1340/2340: Data Science for Linguists

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# Objectives

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- ▶ AMR review
- ▶ Linguistic annotation
  - ◆ Types of linguistic annotation
  - ◆ Annotation formats
  - ◆ Annotation tools
  - ◆ How to plan and run an annotation project
    - ◆ An anatomy of annotation project

# AMR example

## ► Guidelines:

- ◆ <https://github.com/amrisi/amr-guidelines/blob/master/amr.md>

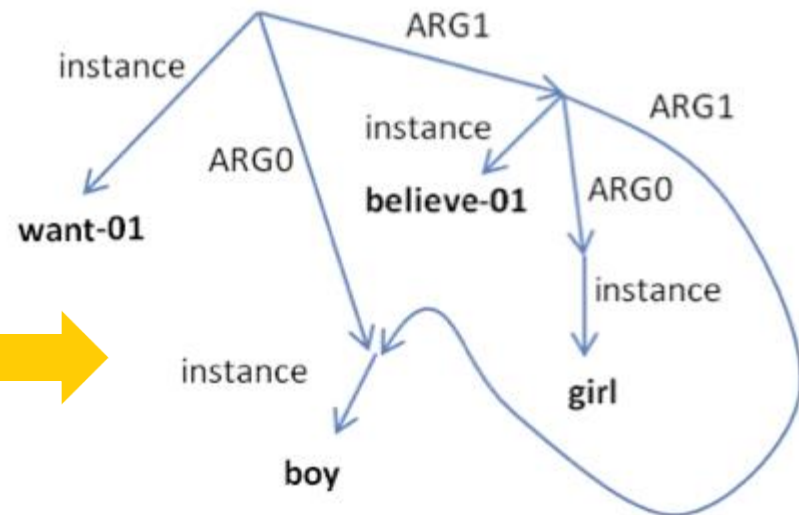
The boy desires the girl to believe him.

The boy desires to be believed by the girl.

The boy has a desire to be believed by the girl.

The boy's desire is for the girl to believe him.

The boy is desirous of the girl believing him.



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(w / want-01
 :ARG0 (b / boy)
 :ARG1 (b2 / believe-01
 :ARG0 (g / girl)
 :ARG1 b))
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# AMR annotated corpora

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- ▶ <https://amr.isi.edu/download.html>
- ▶ *The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry is annotated in AMR in full.
  - ◆ English
  - ◆ Chinese
- ▶ Why build such corpora?

# Linguistic annotation: what types?

- ▶ What types of linguistic annotation have we seen so far?
- ▶ **GUM: The Georgetown University Multilayer Corpus**
  - ◆ <https://gucorpling.org/gum/index.html>
  - ◆ A corpus with *all* levels of linguistic knowledge annotated!!

**GUM**

That started me out on books and I have amassed quite a few since then

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tok | islands | in | Tonga | , | about | 150 | miles | north | of | Tongatapu | . | They | are

Washington Bridge's long span and Manhattan, as seen while looking east from Fort Lee Historic Park Understand Fort Lee is located between the Paramus, NJ retail corridor and Upper Manhattan. This town is comprised of a large residential community that includes Fort Lee natives, transplants from New York, and immigrants, especially from Korea.

2	i	Path: GUM > GUM_voyage_vavau (tokens 9 - 21)										
islands	in	Tonga	,	about	150	miles	north	of	Tongatapu	.	They	are
NN2	PRP	NPO	PUN	PRP	CRD	NN2	NN1	PRF	NPO	PUN	PNP	VBB
island	in	Tonga	,	about	@card@	mile	north	of	Tongatapu	.	they	be
NNS	IN	FW	,	IN	CD	NNS	JJ	IN	FW	SENT	PP	VBP

# Using GUM

## ► How to explore and use the GUM corpus?

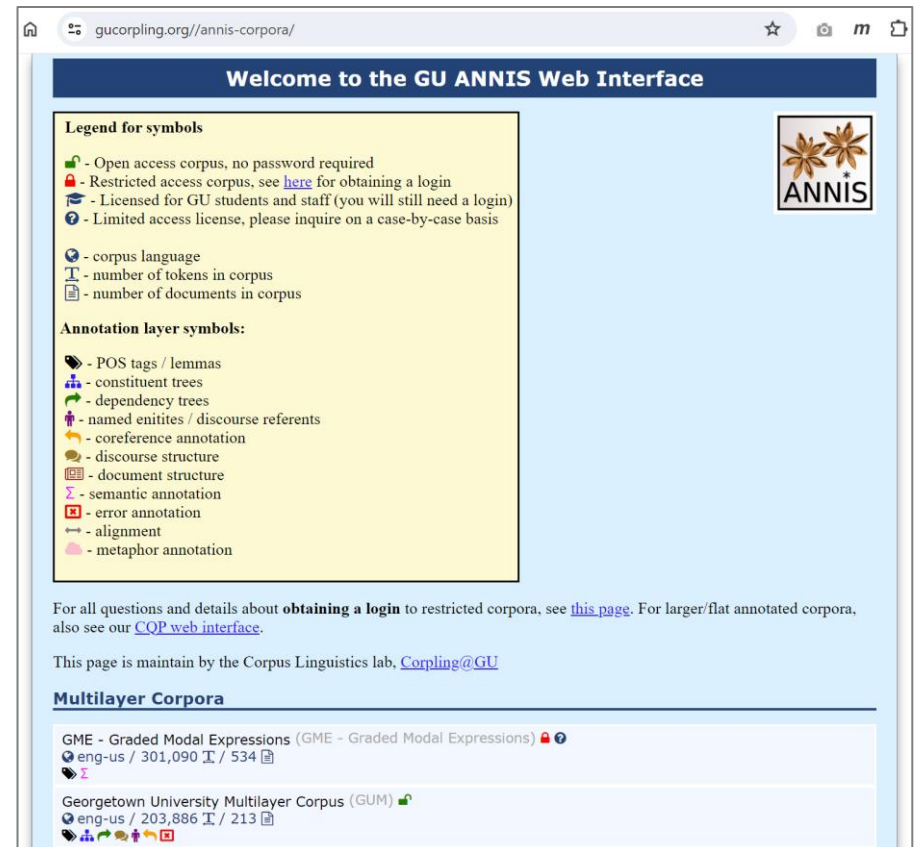
- ◆ Download the source on GitHub: <https://github.com/amir-zeldes/gum> then process it yourself

- ◆ Or: use the **ANNIS** interface

- ◆ A web browser-based search and visualization architecture for complex multilayer linguistic corpora with diverse types of annotation

- ◆ <https://corpus-tools.org/annis/>

- ◆ GU ANNIS Web Interface:  
<https://gucorpling.org/annis-corpora/>



The screenshot shows the GU ANNIS Web Interface. The page title is "Welcome to the GU ANNIS Web Interface". On the right, there is an ANNIS logo. A legend for symbols is displayed in a yellow box, detailing various icons used in the interface, such as open access corpus, restricted access corpus, licensed for GU students, and limited access license. It also lists symbols for corpus language, number of tokens, and number of documents. Below the legend, there are sections for "Annotation layer symbols" and "Multilayer Corpora". The "Multilayer Corpora" section lists two corpora: "GME - Graded Modal Expressions" and "Georgetown University Multilayer Corpus (GUM)".

gucorpling.org/annis-corpora/

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ANNIS

**Legend for symbols**

- 🟢 - Open access corpus, no password required
- 🔒 - Restricted access corpus, see [here](#) for obtaining a login
- 🎓 - Licensed for GU students and staff (you will still need a login)
- 🔑 - Limited access license, please inquire on a case-by-case basis

🌐 - corpus language  
📄 - number of tokens in corpus  
📁 - number of documents in corpus

**Annotation layer symbols:**

- 👤 - POS tags / lemmas
- 🏠 - constituent trees
- 👉 - dependency trees
- 👤 - named entities / discourse referents
- 👉 - coreference annotation
- 🗺️ - discourse structure
- 📄 - document structure
- Σ - semantic annotation
- 🔴 - error annotation
- ↔️ - alignment
- 👉 - metaphor annotation

For all questions and details about **obtaining a login** to restricted corpora, see [this page](#). For larger/flat annotated corpora, also see our [COP web interface](#).

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**Multilayer Corpora**

GME - Graded Modal Expressions (GME - Graded Modal Expressions) 🔒🌐  
eng-us / 301,090 📄 / 534 📁  
👤👉👉👉

Georgetown University Multilayer Corpus (GUM) 🟢  
eng-us / 203,886 📄 / 213 📁  
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# Why annotate?

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## Why annotate text with linguistic information?

- ▶ Development and testing of linguistic theories
  - ← Assists empirical linguistic inquiries
- ▶ Develop and evaluate (statistically based) NLP technologies
  - ← Becomes the basis of "language models" in NLP applications
  - ← Linguistic annotation represents linguistic knowledge of humans that AI agents learn through machine learning, which they then mimic

# What are linguists' roles in all this?

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- ▶ Doing the annotation
  - ◆ Linguistics undergrads and grads make excellent annotators.
- ▶ Leading annotation projects
  - ◆ Design annotation schemes
  - ◆ Develop annotation guidelines
  - ◆ Train and supervise annotators
  - ◆ An example <https://www ldc.upenn.edu/sites/www ldc.upenn.edu/files/penn-etb-2-style-guidelines.pdf>
- ▶ As part of the NLP community, help keep linguistic knowledge representation in balance with engineering-side considerations
- ▶ Be a USER of linguistically annotated data by conducting empirical research
  - ◆ An example: <https://web.stanford.edu/~bresnan/qs-submit.pdf>
- ▶ Increasingly: Be a community-minded steward of language data. Address concerns of ethics and representation.



# Wrapping up

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## ▶ Next class

- ◆ An anatomy of annotation project
- ◆ Annotation wrap
- ◆ Machine learning: regression

## ▶ Your project

- ◆ Progress Report #1 due this Friday!