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Data mining and inflectional morphology

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a simple strategy of learning

Inflectional morphology of the verb:

complex relationships within
structural systems of natural languages

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discovery of similarities, analogies

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0 Motivation and overview: observation

Mistakes in the **language of children**

Hypercorrect forms of native speakers

Mistakes of **non-native speakers**

e.g.

*he *readed* analogous to *he pleaded*
think, thank, thunk analogous to *sink, sank, sunk*

**gamlaste* analogous to *lättaste*

*er *tretet* analogous to *er knetet, betet*
**getretet* analogous to *geknetet, gebetet*
*er hat *gelügt* analogous to *er hat gerügt*
**gestreitet* analogous to *ausgebreitet*
*ich habe *gewerft* analogous to *ich habe gekauft*
*du *sehst* analogous to *du stehst*
*er *frägt* analogous to *er trägt*
*er *schwomm* analogous to *er klomm*

*un *[zwoazo] (oiseau)* analogous to *un train – les trains*

1 Linguistic analysis

1.1 Which strategy leads to these mistakes?

Non-reflected use of the assumption of analogy

The assumption of analogy is only a heuristic method.

True assumption of inflectional / morphologic analogy:

~ling (~lung, ~lung): cling, fling, sling

~änka (~änker, ~änkte, ~änkt): dränka, kränka, inskränka

~reiben (~rieb ge~rieben): reiben, schreiben, treiben

~acére (~accio ~aci ~acciamo ~acqui ~aciuto): giacere, piacere, tacere

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False assumption of inflectional / morphologic analogy:

~ch: *hatch, match, watch, fetch* are reg.
teach (taught taught), catch (caught, caught)

~å: *få, gå, stå, uppå*

~inna: *finna (oreg.), hinna (oreg.), minnas (-s, -des), tvinna (-ar)*

~eiben: to *-reiben* add *einverleiben (-te, -t), bleiben*

~iegen:

biegen (bog gebogen), fliegen, wiegen

liegen (lag gelegen) [liegt vs. tritt ← treten (trat getreten)]

siegen (siegte gesiegt), kriegen, schmiegen

~endere: not homogeneous due to *pendere, vendere* etc.

~rendere: *rendere (rendo rendi rendiamo resi reso), prendere*

1.1 Assumption of analogy

Similarities in the infinitive (lexical base)
shall be used as key features (gestalt-psychological term)
for the assumption of inflectional / morphologic analogy,
that is, for the assumption of the equality of
all the essential inflectional / morphologic features, that is,
– endings in synthetic tenses
– stem alternations in synthetic tenses
(Accidental feature: auxiliary verb in analytic tenses
essere/avere, e.g. *essere stato* vs. *avere fatto*,
sein/haben, e.g. *gebogen haben*, *geflogen sein*)

Assumption of analogy (German: Analogieschluss, Schluss auf Analogie) is not necessarily true/correct:
Starting from the equality of all the key features,
the equality of all the essential features is assumed.

Possible key features

- Equality of the infinitive endings (= **reverse similarity**)
- phonetic similarity of the infinitives (Swedish *ä ö* → 2nd conj.)
- equal stem alternations within the same *ablaut* class, e.g.
binda (*band bundit*), *vinna* (*vann vunnit*), *slippa* (*slapp sluppit*)
biegen (*biegt bog gebogen*), *bieten* (*bietet bot geboten*)

1.1.1 Analytic-inductive part

A lexeme is assumed to be the pattern lexeme of an entire group of lexemes with the same key features.

1.1.2 Synthetic-deductive part

Analogy rules:

use the known *averbo* of a pattern lexeme as paradigm for another lexeme in order to “derive” its (unknown) *averbo*;

produce / generate its inflectional forms “in analogy” to the known *averbo*.

Averbo: all of the inflectional forms of a lexeme

Paradigm: an *averbo* used as pattern / template

1.2 What is the reason for this strategy?

Aim: reduction of the learning effort

1.2.1 Traditional grammatical description: reduction to essential forms

Linguists call these essential (or cardinal or fundamental) forms *key forms* or *principal parts* or *stem row*.

The linguistic term “*key*” *form* is not related to the gestalt-psychological term “*key*” *feature*!

The first principal part is the **lexical base** (in case of verbs the infinitive), the form which is used for quoting a lexeme in a dictionary.

Using analogical thinking, the learning effort can easily be reduced when deriving the entire *averbo* of a lexeme from the principal parts.

This principle has proved its value in classic grammar books: One learns essential forms (principal parts) instead of complete *averbos*.

Examples:

teach (*teaches taught taught*)

hinna (*hinner hann hunnit*)

biegen (*biegt bog gebogen*)

rendere (*rendo rendi rendiamo resi reso*)

1.2.2 Reduction to pattern lexemes

The learning effort shall be reduced even more.
One does no longer want to learn
the principal parts of all of the lexemes;
learning shall be restricted to
the **principal parts of pattern lexemes** only.

**This is very easy regarding regular lexemes,
but very difficult regarding irregular lexemes.
There, it is the reason for the mistakes mentioned.**

A group of lexemes is called morphologically homogeneous
if all of its members are morphologically analogous.

There are
morphologically homogeneous and inhomogeneous groups
of verbs with the same infinitive ending.

Knowledge about their distinction is not common:
therefore, the assumption of analogy can easily become a trap!

Didactic consequences

Give learning assistance on the basis of analogy.
Help to avoid false assumptions of analogy.

There are two competing types of similarity:
- reverse similarity
- morphological / inflectional similarity

Question to a data mining algorithm

In which cases do the two types coincide?

1.2.3 Simplification of inflectional morphology: a general tendency

The mistakes caused by analogical thinking also show the general tendency of analogically spreading “regular” conjugation patterns:

In which cases are **irregular forms very stable**?
If they occur very often: many tokens of a type.

Otherwise: **regular and irregular forms in parallel**, partly with semantic or diaphasic differentiation
This situation arrives at the replacement by regular forms.

learn: learned / learnt; lie: lied / lay, lied / lain

*fnysa: fnyste / fnös, fnyst; smälta smälte / (smalt), smält / (smultit)
sluta: -ar (komma till slut) / slöt, slutit (stänga, dra slutsats)*

stieben: stiebte / stob

weben: webte / wob

senden: sendete (Radio, TV) / sandte (Brief)

wenden: wendete / wandte

triefen: triefte / troff

schaffen: schaffte (fertigbringen) / schuf (erschaffen)

pflegen: pflegte (gängig) / pflog (obsolet)

glimmen: glimmte / glomm

concedere: concedei, -etti / concessi, condeduto / concesso

perdere: perdei, -etti / persi, perduto / perso

partire: partisco / parto (transitive / intransitive)

Only regular conjugation classes (partly with phonotactic, phonetic or orthographic particularities) **are productive**, that is, **new verbs always conjugate regularly**, except for fun.

1.3 Motivation for the use of reverse similarity as a key feature 1

1 Sometimes, the **heuristic** leads to a correct result.

2 A basic verb (*simplex*) and its **compound / prefixed verbs** have reversely similar infinitives and in the majority of cases the same conjugation.

3 Phonotactically, phonetically and orthographically caused **specialties** of regular verbs can be seen at the infinitive ending. The corresponding inflection subtypes are productive.

consonant grapheme doubling (*digging*)

e-insertion in the 3rd singular of present tense for English verbs ending in *-ch*, *-sh*, *-Co*, *-ss*, *-x*, *-Cz* (*wishes*)

e-deletion (*aging*)

ie-*y* change (*dying*)

y-*ie* change (*studies*)

e.g. *samla* 1st conj.; 2nd conj. phonotactically impossible

e-Einschübe bei Verben auf *-den*, *-ten*, *-Cmen* (*C* ungleich *h*, *l*, *m*, *r*; alle homogen), *-Cnen* (nur *-fnen*, *-gnen*, *-chnen* homogen)

e-Elision im Ind.Prs.1.Sg. bei Verben auf *-eln* und *-ern* (beide homogen)

s-Elision im Ind.Prs.2.Sg. bei Verben auf *-sen*, *-ssen*, *-ßen*, *-xen* (homogen), *-zen*.

h-insertion: *~care*, *~gare*

i-deletion: *~giare*

1.3 Motivation for the use of reverse similarity as a key feature 2

4 General tendency to simplify inflectional systems (see 1.2.3)

5 Only regular inflection types are productive: new lexemes (neologisms) will never be irregular. The inflection type is assigned to new lexemes via reverse similarity to existing lexemes.

6 In Latin and the Romance languages, the assignment to conjugation classes is based on the **infinitive ending.**

7 The use of **end rhymes in poems, children's rhymes, spoonerisms (Schüttelreime) attributes a considerable importance to reverse similarity, while this use is not immediately related to morphology.**

2 Goal of morphological data mining: linguistically interesting clusters

2.1 Homogeneous clusters (homC) 1

Mathematically **connected set** (no gaps or interruptions)
in a **reversely ordered** sequence
of **morphologically analogous** lexemes,
if irregular inflection type, not productive
if regular inflection type, productive (new words)

**1 Many-lexeme homogeneous clusters,
without grapheme type characters and
without word delimitation**

Example: *~ling* (*~lung*, *~lung*)

All verbs whose infinitives end in *-ling*.

All of the verbs have the same irregularities.

Elements:

***cling* (*clung*, *clung*); *fling* (*flung*, *flung*); *sling* (*slung*, *slung*)**

**2 Many-lexeme homogeneous clusters (precisely: sets of
homogeneous clusters) with grapheme type characters (C, V) and
without word delimitation**

Example: *~Cz* (*~Czed*, *~Czed*)

All verbs whose infinitives end in a consonant grapheme plus *z*.

**All of the verbs are regular with *e*-insertion in the 3rd person
singular of present tense whose ending is extended to *-es*.**

Elements: *jazz* (*jazzed*, *jazzed*) etc.

2.1 Homogeneous clusters (homC) 2

3 Many-lexeme homogeneous clusters (precisely: sets of homogeneous clusters) with grapheme type characters and with explicit word delimitation

Example: #CCVg (#CCVgged, #CCVgged)

All basic verbs whose infinitives have the form “two consonant graphemes plus vowel grapheme plus g” and their prefixed verbs.

All of the verbs are regular with consonant grapheme doubling in past tense, past participle and gerund.

Elements: *drag (dragged, dragged)* etc.

Remark

Clusters with **grapheme type characters (C, V):**

- abbreviations for sets of clusters
- mathematically non-connected

4 One-lexeme homogeneous clusters with implicit word delimitation

They consist of one single basic verb and its prefixed verbs. They have to be dealt with from a formal perspective although they are not interesting from a linguistic one.

Examples: *dig (dug, dug); bring (brought, brought)* etc.

2.2 Basic clusters (basC) 1

Inhomogeneous clusters

- **most of the verbs** have the same morphological properties
- **threshold percentage** of the majority: around 70%
- often correspond to **traditional inflection classes**
- **if irregular inflection type, not productive** (see Italian)
- **if regular inflection type, productive** (new words)

1 Basic clusters without grapheme type characters and without word delimitation

Example: *~ch* (*~ched*, *~ched*)

All verbs with infinitive ending *–ch*.

Most of the verbs are regular with *e*-insertion in the 3rd person singular of present tense whose ending is extended to *–es*.

Elements: *reach* (*reached*, *reached*) etc.

Exceptions: *teach* (*taught*, *taught*); *catch* (*caught*, *caught*)

2 Basic clusters (precisely: sets of basic clusters) with grapheme type characters (C, V) and without word delimitation

Example: *~C* (*~Ced*, *~Ced*)

All verbs whose infinitives end in a consonant grapheme.

Most of the verbs are regular.

Elements: *look* (*looked*, *looked*) etc.

Exceptions: *bring* (*brought*, *brought*) etc.

There are many exceptions, but statistically only a few as the cluster comprises all of the innumerable regular verbs ending in a consonant grapheme.

2.2 Basic clusters (basC) 2

3 Basic clusters (precisely: sets of basic clusters) with grapheme type characters and with explicit word delimitation

Example: #CVg (#CVgged, #CVgged)

All basic verbs whose infinitives have the form “consonant grapheme plus vowel grapheme plus g” and their prefixed verbs.

Most of the verbs are regular with consonant grapheme doubling in past tense, past participle and gerund.

Elements: *jig (jigged, jigged)* etc.

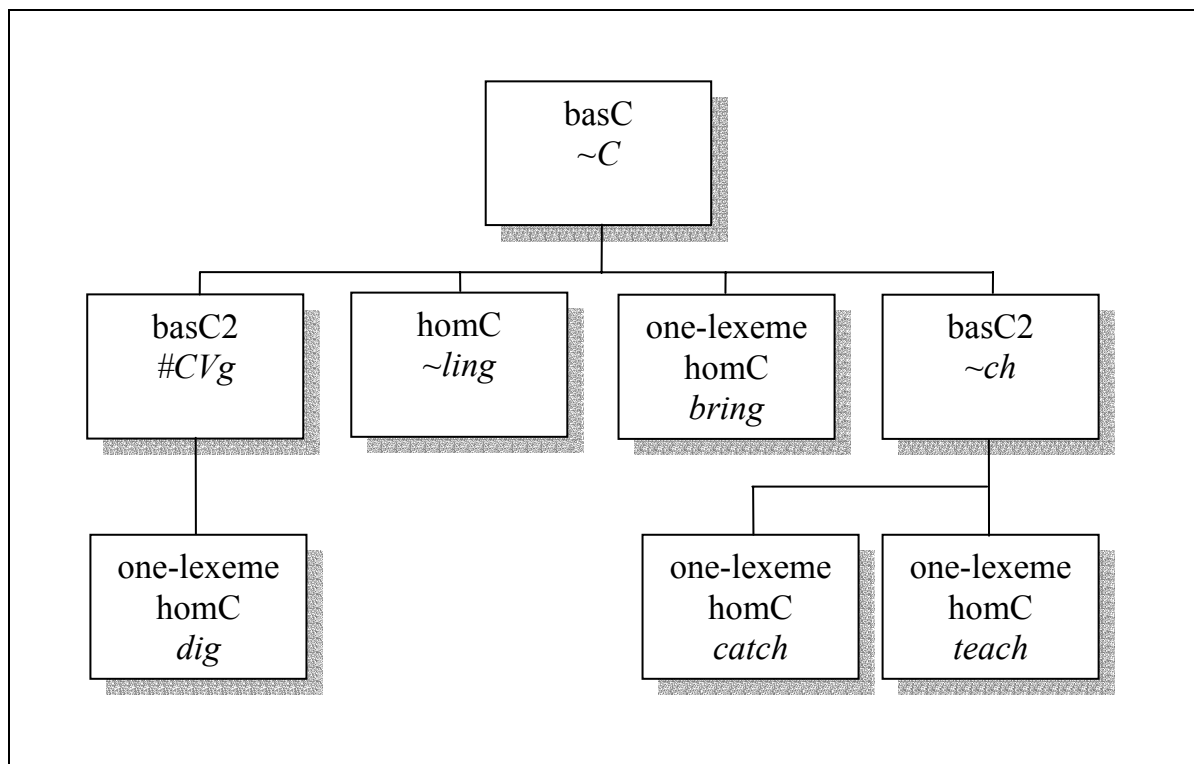
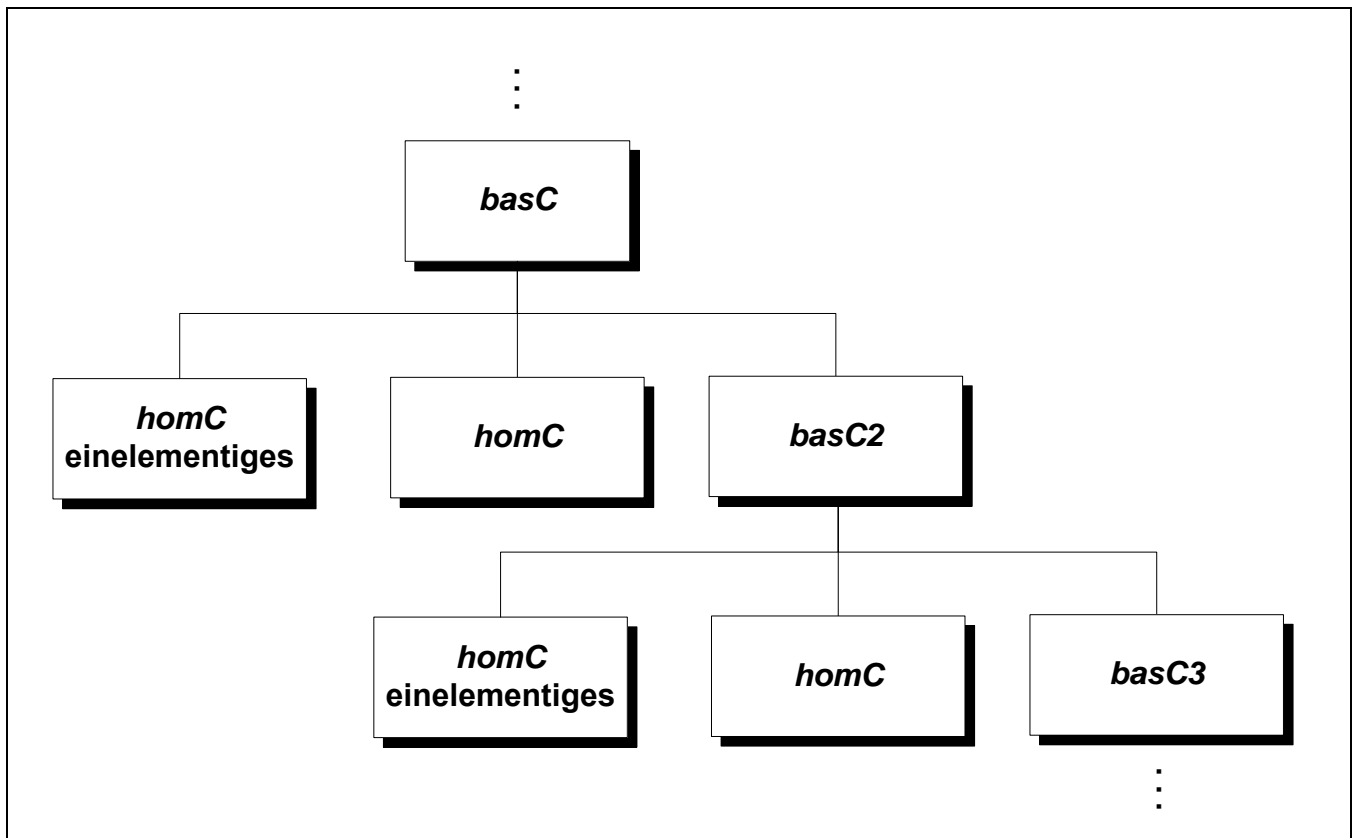
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2.3 Cluster trees



Cluster trees: general and a part of the English verbs

2.3 Well-defined cluster trees: **cluster hierarchies**

**It must be possible
to unambiguously assign a search lexeme to its best-fit cluster.**

Two sets of lexemes belonging to two clusters must be
1. either disjoint
2. or in a subset-superset relation.

**The lexical base of a parent cluster always contains
fewer or as many characters than the ones of its child clusters.**

**In the case of an equal number of characters,
the parent cluster contains more grapheme type characters.**

**That is, regarding lexical bases (alphabetic properties) as
conditions:
the condition of a parent cluster is always weaker
than the conditions of its child clusters.**

3 Data mining

3.1 The data mining process

Pre-processing

Representation of linguistic objects

- graphemic, phonemic, phonetic

Modified orthographic conventions

- prefix treatment, marking of inflectional variants

Gathering of linguistic data

- reverse dictionaries, verb lists

Delimitations

- in comparison to syntax and lexicon

Principal parts (key forms) and inflection types

- selection and definition

Derivation rules and exceptions

- construction of rules, list of not derivable forms

Processing

Execution of the data mining algorithm

independent of

the examined language-part-of-speech combination

in a inflecting or agglutinating language

Top-down cluster analysis

Post-processing

Interpretation, evaluation of the data mining result

Preparation for use, typographic marking

Basic clusters, reductions

Homogeneous clusters

Cluster tree

3.2 Data mining algorithm 1

Set <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> to 0	
Outer loop Do while there are lexemes with the entry <i>NULL</i> in column <i>lexeme_cluster</i>	
Body of the outer loop Increase <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> by 1	
Inner loop Do while there are data records with <i>lexeme_ending_length</i> = <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> - 1 and <i>lexeme_cluster</i> = <i>NULL</i>	
Body of the inner loop	
1. Find reference lexeme Take next lexeme with <i>lexeme_ending_length</i> = <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> - 1 and <i>lexeme_cluster</i> = <i>NULL</i> as reference lexeme	
Get current lexeme ending (<i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i>) and inflection type of the reference lexeme	
2. Comparison loop: find numbers of comparison <i>equiv_lexemes</i> = number of lexemes with the same current lexeme ending and same inflection type as the reference lexeme	
<i>all_lexemes</i> = number of lexemes with the same current lexeme ending as the reference lexeme irrespective of the inflection type	
3. Evaluate comparison	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> true <i>equiv_lexemes</i> = <i>all_lexemes</i> false </div>	
<homogeneous cluster found> Evaluation loop Change attribute values of the corresponding lexemes: <i>lexeme_ending_length</i> = <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> <i>lexeme_cluster</i> = current lexeme ending	<no cluster found> Evaluation loop Change attribute values of the corresponding lexemes: <i>lexeme_ending_length</i> = <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i>

Lexical base (infinitive)	Inflection type	Lexeme ending length	Lexeme ending
säen	rglm	0	NULL
haben	a-a-a	0	NULL
inne-haben	a-a-a	0	NULL
vor-haben	a-a-a	0	NULL
handhaben	rglm	0	NULL
graben	a:-ä-u:-a:	0	NULL
um-graben	a:-ä-u:-a:	0	NULL
beben	rglm	0	NULL
geben	e:-i-a:-e:	0	NULL
be-geben	e:-i-a:-e:	0	NULL
auf-geben	e:-i-a:-e:	0	NULL

Lexical base (infinitive)	Inflection type	Lexeme ending length	Lexeme ending
säen	rglm	3	äen
haben	a-a-a	3	NULL
inne-haben	a-a-a	3	NULL
vor-haben	a-a-a	3	NULL
handhaben	rglm	3	NULL
graben	a-ä-u-a	3	NULL
um-graben	a-ä-u-a	3	NULL
beben	rglm	3	NULL
geben	e-i-a-e	3	NULL
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haben	a-a-a	4	NULL
inne-haben	a-a-a	4	NULL
vor-haben	a-a-a	4	NULL
handhaben	rglm	4	NULL
graben	a-ä-u-a	4	NULL
um-graben	a-ä-u-a	4	NULL
beben	rglm	4	NULL
geben	e-i-a-e	4	NULL
be-geben	e-i-a-e	4	NULL
auf-geben	e-i-a-e	4	NULL

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säen	rglm	3	äen
haben	a-a-a	5	NULL
inne- haben	a-a-a	5	NULL
vor- haben	a-a-a	5	NULL
hand haben	rglm	5	NULL
graben	a-ä-u-a	5	raben
um- graben	a-ä-u-a	5	raben
beben	rglm	4	NULL
geben	e-i-a-e	4	NULL
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auf- geben	e-i-a-e	5	geben

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säen	rglm	3	äen
haben	a-a-a	6	haben
inne- haben	a-a-a	5	NULL
vor- haben	a-a-a	5	NULL
hand haben	rglm	5	NULL
graben	a-ä-u-a	5	raben
um- graben	a-ä-u-a	5	raben
beben	rglm	5	beben
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3.2 Data mining algorithm 2

<p>Outer loop For each lexeme in reverse ascending order with <i>lexeme_cluster</i> == <i>NULL</i></p>	
<p>Body of the outer loop <i>ref_lexeme</i> := <i>lexeme</i></p>	
<p><i>ref_lexeme_length</i> := number of letters of <i>ref_lexeme</i></p>	
<p><i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> := 0</p>	
<p>Inner loop while <i>lexeme_cluster</i> == <i>NULL</i></p>	
<p>Body of the inner loop 1. Increase <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i> by 1</p>	
<p><i>ref_lexeme_ending</i> := ending(<i>ref_lexeme</i>, <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i>)</p>	
<p><i>equivalen_lexemes</i> := 0 (number of compare lexemes with equal inflection type as the reference lexeme)</p>	
<p><i>non_equivalent_lexemes</i> := 0 (number of compare lexemes with another inflection type than the reference lexeme)</p>	
<p>2. Comparison loop while there is a compare lexeme with <i>compare_lexeme_ending</i> == <i>ref_lexeme_ending</i></p>	
<p><i>compare_lexeme</i> := next lexeme in reverse ascending order</p>	
<p><i>compare_lexeme_ending</i> := ending(<i>compare_lexeme</i>, <i>counter_lexeme_ending_length</i>)</p>	
<p>Comparison $ref_lexeme_infl_type == compare_lexeme_infl_type$</p>	
<p>true</p>	<p>false</p>
<p><i>equivalent_lexemes</i> := <i>equivalent_lexemes</i> + 1</p>	<p><i>non_equivalent_lexemes</i> := <i>non_equivalent_lexemes</i> + 1</p>
<p>Case distinction: 4 cases (see comment)</p>	

3.2 Data mining algorithm 2

Top-down cluster analysis strategy (divisive method)

The database established in the pre-processing phase has to be sorted reversely using the column “analytic lexical base”.

The column “lexeme cluster” is initialized with NULLs. It is meant to be filled with the name of the cluster found by the algorithm.

The core of the algorithm (Fig.) consists of two nested loops: step by step, the outer loop processes all of the lexemes; step by step, the inner loop processes all ending lengths.

In detail, a general step of the algorithm runs as follows.

n-th step of the outer loop:

The next lexeme is picked out which is not assigned to a cluster, that is, which has the initial value in the column “lexeme cluster” (*lexeme_cluster* == *NULL*). This lexeme is called **reference lexeme** (variable *ref_lexeme*).

m-th step of the inner loop:

1. The variable *Counter_lexeme_ending_length* is increased by 1 and thus set to *m*. The algorithm gets the reference lexeme’s ending (*ref_lexeme_ending*, depending on the current value of *counter_lexeme_ending_length*) and its inflection type (**reference inflection type**). The algorithm is now going to compare the next lexemes with the reference lexeme. Therefore, the variables of the following comparison loop are initialized with 0.

2. In a third loop (comparison loop), all of the lexemes which have the same *n*-digit ending (the same *n* trailing letters in the lexical base), are examined (**compare lexemes**). All of the compare lexemes with the reference inflection type are counted in the variable *equiv_lexemes*. Those with a different inflection type are counted in the variable *non_equiv_lexemes*.

3. Depending on the values of the variables *equiv_lexemes*, *non_equiv_lexemes* and *counter_lexeme_ending_length*, four cases are distinguished (Fig.).

3.2 Data mining algorithm 2

	equivalent_ lexemes	non_equivalent_ lexemes	counter_lexeme_ ending_length
Case 1	0	0	—
Case 2	—	≥ 1	$= \text{ref_lexeme_length}$
Case 3	≥ 1	0	—
Case 4	—	≥ 1	$< \text{ref_lexeme_length}$

Cases after counting equivalent and non-equivalent compare lexemes

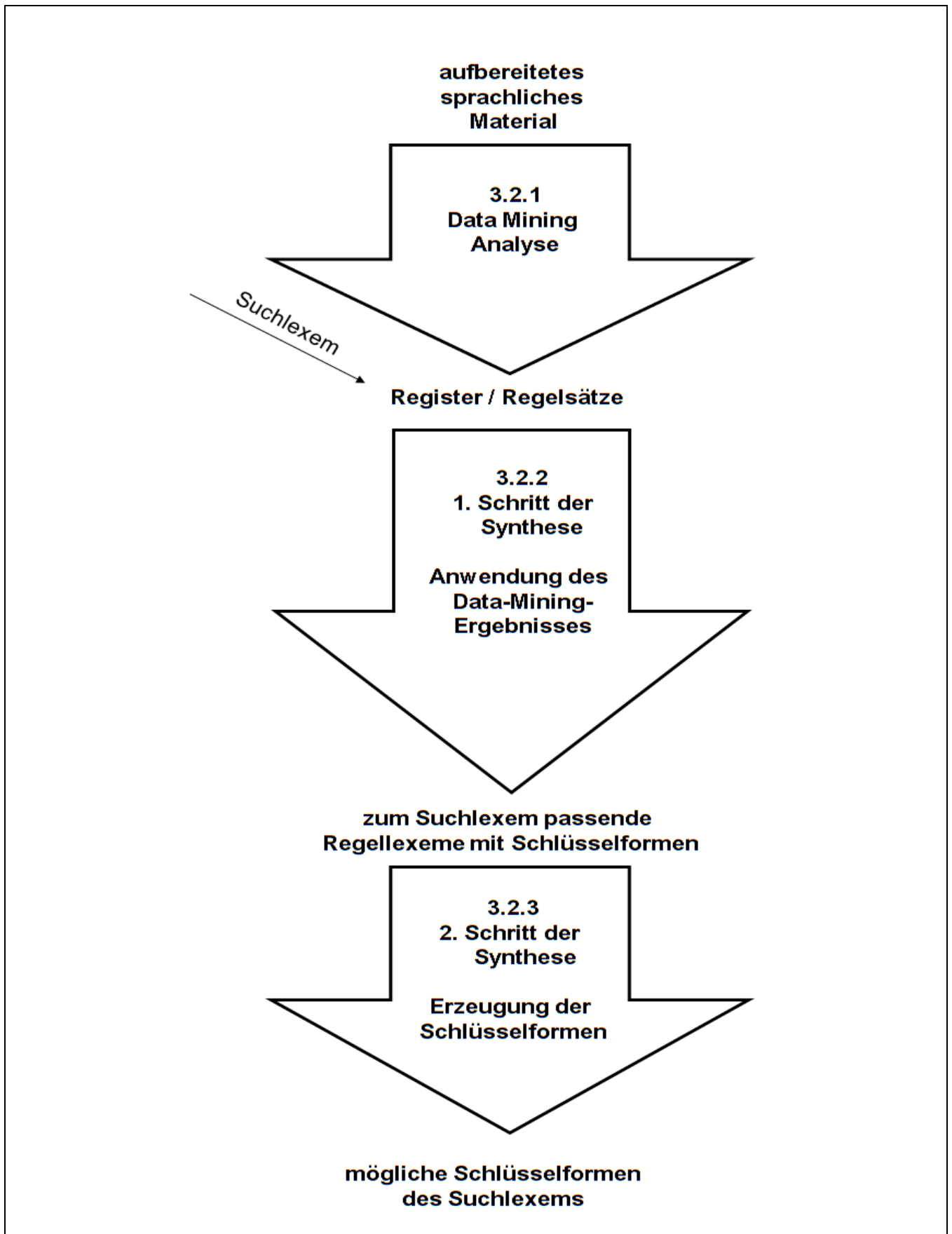
Case 1 (there are no compare lexemes)
one-lexeme cluster consisting of the reference lexeme only

Case 2 (there are 1 or more compare lexemes with another inflection type than the reference inflection type, and the current ending length is already equal to the number of letters of the reference lexeme)
one-lexeme cluster consisting of the reference lexeme only

Case 3 (all of the compare lexemes have the reference inflection type)
many-lexeme cluster consisting of the reference lexeme and at least than 1 more lexeme: **many-lexeme homogeneous cluster**

Case 4 (there are 1 or more compare lexemes with another inflection type than the reference inflection type, and the current ending length is still less than the number of letters of the reference lexeme)
no cluster
The inner loop continues with an increase of the current ending length (*counter_lexeme_ending_length*) by 1.

4 Search algorithm: the use of the data mining result



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Prefix cut cuts a prefix off the search lexeme.

Total length compare finds 1 cluster type:
one-lexeme homC.

Alternative total length compare creates
search alternatives 4 to 0,
the *n*-th by replacing normal by grapheme type characters and
conserving *n* trailing normal characters.

Alternative total length compare finds 2 cluster types:
homC and basC
with word delimitation and
grapheme type characters.




Longest match reduces
the search lexeme and its search alternatives
from the left by one character after the other.

Longest match finds 4 cluster types:
homC and basC
without word delimitation,
no matter whether with or without grapheme type characters.

5.E The situation of the English verb

5.E.1 Principal parts

infinite forms		Present infinitive	Imperative
		Gerund Present participle	
		Past participle	2 nd pl
Present tense	1 st sg		1 st sg
	2 nd sg		2 nd sg
	3 rd sg		3 rd sg
	1 st pl		1 st pl
	2 nd pl		2 nd pl
	3 rd pl		3 rd pl
Past tense	1 st sg		1 st sg
	2 nd sg		2 nd sg
	3 rd sg		3 rd sg
	1 st pl		1 st pl
	2 nd pl		2 nd pl
	3 rd pl		3 rd pl

-  **inflection forms derived from the infinitive**
-  **inflection forms derived from past tense 1st sg**
-  **inflection forms derived from past participle**

**Stem distribution of the English verb
(Holl / Maroldo / Urban 2007, 94)**

5.E.2 Homogeneous clusters

Infl. type	Lex. base	Examples
reg / CC	#CVb	rob
reg / CC	#CCVb	crab
reg / CC	~CVc	frolic
i-i-i / D	~ild	gild, build
reg / CC	#CCVg	drag
i-u-u / O	~ling	cling, fling, sling
reg / +e	~sh	fish (fishes)
reg / CC	#(C)CVk	trek
reg / CC	#CVI	ex_cel, gel, en_rol, ex_tol, an_nul
reg / CC	#CCVI	di_stil
reg / CC	#CVm	rim
reg	~oo	boo (booing, boos, booed)
reg / CC	#CCCVp	strip
ee-e-e / D	~weep	weep, sweep
ea-o-o / n	~wear	wear, swear
reg / +e	~ss	kiss (kisses)
reg / +e	~x	fix (fixes)
reg / CC +e	#(C)CVz	quiz (quizzing, quizzes)
reg / +e	~Cz	waltz (waltzes), buzz (buzzes)

homC without examples not mentioned, e.g. #CCCVb

5.E.3 Inhomogeneous clusters

*~ch: hatch, match, watch, fetch are reg.
teach (taught taught), catch (caught, caught)*

etc. (e.g. see cluster tree)

5.E.4 Basic clusters

Cluster information	Basic cluster: morphological property (infl. type)	Basic cluster: alphabetic property (lexical base)	Examples	Exceptions
basC	reg	~C	look	dig
basC	reg	~V	visa, boo	go
basC2; no! caution: ~w, ~x, ~Vy reg bas/homC	reg / CC	#(C)CVC	kid	bid
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#(C)CVD	kid grid	bid clad
basC2 (baking)	reg / -e	~Ce	bake	wake
basC2 (freeing)	reg / e	~ee	free	see
basC2	reg / y(Cie)	~ie	tie	lie
basC2 (toeing)	reg / e	~oe	toe	shoe
basC2 (valuing)	reg / -e	~ue	value	glue (glu(e)ing)
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#CVg	jig	dig
basC2 (matches)	reg / +e	~ch	match	catch, teach
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#CCVm	skim	swim
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#(C)CVn	sun twin	win spin
basC2 (vetoes)	reg / +e	~Co	veto	go
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#CVp, #CCVp	cap stop	kid_nap wor_ship
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#(C)CVr	bar	dif_fer
basC2 (gassing, gasses) monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC +e	#(C)CVs	gas	bus
basC2 monosyllabic basic verbs and their prefixed verbs	reg / CC	#(C)CVt	bat flit, glut, smut	get slit, spit split
basC2 (not necessary)	reg	~w	view	know
basC2	reg / ie(Cy)	~Cy	dry	fly
basC2 (not necessary)	reg	~Vy	play	buy

5.E.5 Cluster tree 1

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1			basC	reg	~C	look	dig
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CVb	rob	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCVb	crab	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVb	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	~CVc	frolic	--
	L2		homC	i-i-i / D	~ild	gild, build	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVd	kid	bid
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVd	grid	clad
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVd	?	_--
	L2		basC2	reg / -e	~Ce	bake	wake
	L2		basC2	reg / e	~ee	free	see
	L2		basC2	reg / y(ie)	~ie	tie	lie
	L2		basC2	reg / e	~oe	toe	shoe
	L2		basC2	reg / -e	~ue	value	glue
	L2		homC	i-u-u / 0	~ling	cling, fling	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVg	jig	dig
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCVg	drag	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVg	?	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e	~ch	watch	teach, catch
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~sh	fish	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CVk	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCVk	trek	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVk	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CVl	ex_cel, gel	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCVl	di_stil	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVl	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CVm	rim	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVm	skim	swim
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVm	?	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVn	sun	win
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVn	twin	spin
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVn	?	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e	~Co	veto	go
	L2		homC	reg	~oo	boo	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVp	cap	kid_nap
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVp	stop	wor_ship
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVp	strip	--

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
	L2		homC	ee-e-e / D	~weep	weep, sweep	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#(C)CVr	bar	dif_fer
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCVr	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC	#CCCVr	?	--
	L2		homC	ea-o-o / n	~wear	wear, swear	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~ss	kiss	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC +e	#CVs	gas	bus
	L2		homC	reg / CC +e	#CCVs	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC +e	#CCCVs	?	--
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVt	bat	get
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVt	flit, glut, smut	slit, spit
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCCVt	?	split
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~x	fix	--
	L2		basC2	reg / ie(Cy)	~Cy	dry	fly
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~Cz	waltz, buzz	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC +e	#CVz	?	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC +e	#CCVz	quiz	--
	L2		homC	reg / CC +e	#CCCVz	?	--
L1			basC	reg	~V	visa, boo	go

Three-consonant groups at the beginning of words:

scratch, stretch, spring

scl, stl, spl

shrink, shl

5.E.5 Cluster tree 2 (not recommended)

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1			basC	reg	~C	look	dig
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CVC	bat	get
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCVC	flit, glut, smut	slit, spit
	L2		basC2	reg / CC	#CCCVC	strip	split
	?		homC	reg / CC	~CVc	frolc	--
	L2		homC	i-i-i / D	~ild	gild, build	--
	L2		basC2	reg / -e	~Ce	bake	wake
	L2		basC2	reg / e	~ee	free	see
	L2		basC2	reg / y(ie)	~ie	tie	lie
	L2		basC2	reg / e	~oe	toe	shoe
	L2		basC2	reg / -e	~ue	value	glue
	L2		homC	i-u-u / 0	~ling	cling, fling	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e	~ch	watch	teach, catch
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~sh	fish	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e	~Co	veto	go
	L2		homC	reg	~oo	boo	--
	L2		homC	ee-e-e / D	~weep	weep, sweep	--
	L2		homC	ea-o-o / n	~wear	wear, swear	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~ss	kiss	--
		L3	basC2	reg / CC +e	#CVs	gas	bus
		L3	homC	reg / CC +e	#CCVs	?	--
		L3	homC	reg / CC +e	#CCCVs	?	--
	?		basC2	reg	~w	view	know
	?		homC	reg / +e	~x	fix	--
	L2		basC2	reg / ie(Cy)	~Cy	dry	fly
	?		basC2	reg	~Vy	play	buy
	L2		homC	reg / +e	~Cz	waltz, buzz	--
		L3	homC	reg / CC +e	#CVz	?	--
		L3	homC	reg / CC +e	#CCVz	quiz	--
		L3	homC	reg / CC +e	#CCCVz	?	--
L1			basC	reg	~V	visa, boo	go

5.E.5 Cluster tree 2 (not recommended)

Problems:

#(C)CVC vs. ~CVc:	not disjoint, no subset, same infl. types
#(C)CVC vs. ~w:	not disjoint, no subset, diff. infl. types
#(C)CVC vs. ~x:	not disjoint, no subset, diff. infl. types
#(C)CVC vs. ~Vy:	not disjoint, no subset, diff. infl. types
	Is y a consonant?
#(C)CVs	needed anyway (<i>e</i>-inserting)
#(C)CVz	needed anyway (<i>e</i>-inserting)

5.E.6 Part of the lexeme register

Flag	Cluster	Inflection type	Analytic lex. base	Synthetic lex. base	Past tense	Past participle	Comment
s	basC	reg	~C	~C	~Ced	~Ced	e.g. look
s	basC	reg	~V	~V	~Ved	~Ved	e.g. visa, boo
s	basC2	reg / CC	#CVg	#CVg	CVgged	CVgged	e.g. jig
s	homC	reg / CC	#CCVg	#CCVg	CCVgged	CCVgged	e.g. drag
		reg / CC	drag	drag	dragged	dragged	
s		i-u-u / 0 / CC	dig	dig	dug	dug	
		reg / CC	jig	jig	jigged	jigged	
		reg / CC	pig	pig	pigged	pigged	
s		reg	1hang	hang	hanged	hanged	kill with a rope
v		a-u-u / 0	2hang	hang	hung	hung	suspend
		reg	whang	whang	whanged	whanged	
		reg	king	king	kinged	kinged	
s	homC	i-u-u / 0	~ling	~ling	~lung	~lung	cling, fling, sling
p		i-u-u / 0	cling	cling	clung	clung	
p		i-u-u / 0	fling	fling	flung	flung	
p		i-u-u / 0	sling	sling	slung	slung	
s		reg	1ring	ring	ringed	ringed	provide with a ring
v		i-a-u / 0	2ring	ring	rang	rung	sound
s		i-ou-ou / D	bring	bring	brought	brought	
s		i-a-u / 0	α+spring	spring	sprang	sprung	BE
v		i-a-u / 0	β+spring	spring	sprung	sprung	AE
s		i-u-u / 0	string	string	strung	strung	
s		i-u-u / 0	wring	wring	wrung	wrung	
s		i-a-u / 0	sing	sing	sang	sung	
		reg	ting	ting	tinged	tinged	
s		i-u-u / 0	sting	sting	stung	stung	
		reg	wing	wing	winged	winged	
s		i-u-u / 0	swing	swing	swung	swung	
		reg	catalog	catalog	cataloged	cataloged	
s		reg / CC	hum_bug	humbug	humbugged	humbugged	
s	basC2	reg / +e	~ch	~ch	~ched	~ched	e.g. reach
		reg / +e	reach	reach	reached	reached	
s		ea-au-au / D / +e	teach	teach	taught	taught	
		reg / +e	screech	screech	screeched	screeched	
s		reg / +e	α+be_seech	beseech	beseeched	beseeched	
v		ee-ou-ou / D	β+be_seech	beseech	besought	besought	
		reg / +e	batch	batch	batched	batched	
s		a-au-au / D / +e	catch	catch	caught	caught	
		reg / +e	scratch	scratch	scratched	scratched	
		reg / +e	watch	watch	watched	watched	

(cf. Holl / Maroldo / Urban 2007, 114-115)

5.E.7 Result

There is a **regular (weak, productive)** and an **irregular (weak and strong, not productive)** conjugation class (e.g. *learn, learnt, learnt; dig, dug, dug*) with a very restricted categorisation via reverse sorting of the present infinitives.

The regular conjugation type contains productive subtypes with regular adaptations due to phonotactic, phonetic and orthographic particularities: consonant doubling (*digging*), *e*-insertion (*wishes*), *e*-deletion (*aging*), *ie*-*y* change (*dying*) and *y*-*ie* change (*studies*).

There are only few starting points for analogical reasoning based upon reverse similarity. Only one twentieth (9/175) of the irregular verbs can be found in homogeneous clusters of reversely similar verbs with an average size of 2 (9/4).

5.S The situation of the Swedish verb

5.S.1 Principal parts

There are 3 to 4 principal parts depending on the regularity of present tense.

- infinitive
- (present tense)
- past tense
- supine

There are only a couple of forms to be derived from the principal parts:

imperative and present tense from the infinitive,
passive voice forms from the corresponding active voice forms

The derivation rules run approximately:

imperative: $\text{inf.} - V + a / - / V$
present tense of active voice: $\text{inf.} - V + ar / er / Vr$
present tense of passive voice: $\text{p.t.} - Vr / er + Vs / s$
other tenses of passive voice: $\text{form} + s$

The derivation rules depend on the conjugation type which is determined by the supine and, in case of its irregularity, by the present tense of active voice.

5.S.2 Homogeneous clusters

Infl. type	Lex. base	Examples
4	~lida	lida, glida
4	~rida	rida, skrida, sprida (äv. 2), strida, vrida
4	~juda	bjuda, ljuda (äv. 1), sjuda
2	~yda	förhyda, lyda (äv. 24), pryda, tyda
2	~råda	råda, tråda
2	~länga	länga, blänga, flänga, klänga, slänga
2	~ränga	kränga, spränga, tränga, stränga (äv. 1), vränga
2	~röja	röja, dröja
2	~rycka	rycka, trycka
2	~räcka	räcka, bräcka, förskräcka, spräcka, träcka (äv. 1), sträcka
2	~täcka	täcka, stäcka
2	~leka	leka, bleka
4	~vika	vika (äv. 42), svika
2	~ränka	dränka, kränka, skränka
2	~tänka	tänka, stänka
2	~ärka	märka, stärka, värka
2	~läka	läka, fläka
2	~räka	bräka, kräkas, vräka
2	~röka	röka, kröka
2	~rälla	drälla, skrälla
2	~rämma	drämma, skrämma
2	~änna	känna, nännas, spänna, ränna, bränna
2	~älpa	hjälpa, stjälp
2	~näppa	knäppa, snäppa
2	~ärpa	skärpa, snärpa, värpa
2	~öpa	döpa, köpa, löpa, snöpa, gröpa (äv. 1), stöpa
2	~väsa	väsa, kväsa
4	~juta	gjuta, skjuta, ljuta, njuta, tjuta
4	~nyta	knyta, snyta
4	~ryta	ryta, bryta, skryta, tryta
2	~älva	skälva (äv. 24), välva
3	~o	bo, sko, varsko, glo, gno, sno, ro, gro, tro
3	~y	sky, lyss, fly, gny, spy, bry, gry, sy, ty
3	~rå	rå, brås, förebrå, trä
3	~ä	klä, spä, trä

5.S.2 Homogeneous clusters

2nd conjugation

-yda: *förhyda (förhydde förhytt), lyda (auch 4.), pryda, tyda*

-råda: *råda (rådde rått), tråda*

-länga: *länga (längde längt), blänga, flänga, klänga, slänga*

-ränga: *kränga (krängde krängt), spränga, tränga, stränga (auch 1. mit Bedeutungsunterschied), vränga*

-änga (weitgehend homogen): zu *-länga* und *-ränga* kommen hinzu *dänga, hänga, mänga, stänga, svänga*; Ausnahmen *gänga, mannekänga* (beide 1.)

-röja: *röja (röjde röjt), dröja*

-öja (fast homogen): zu *-röja* kommen hinzu *böja, höja, flöja, plöja, nöja, töja*; Ausnahme *slöja* (1.)

-rycka: *rycka (ryckte ryckt), trycka*

-räcka: *räcka (räckte rächt), bräcka, förskräcka, spräcka, träcka* (auch 1. mit Bedeutungsunterschied), *sträcka*

-täcka: *täcka (täckte täckt), stäcka*

-leka: *leka (lekte lekt), bleka*

-ränka: *dränka (dränkte dränkt), kränka, skränka*

-tänka: *tänka (tänkte tänkt), stänka*

-änka (weitgehend homogen): zu *-ränka* und *-tänka* kommen hinzu *dänka, skänka, blänka, sänka*; Ausnahmen *bänka, länka* (beide 1.)

-ärka: *märka (märkte märkt), stärka, värka*

- läka: läka (läkte läkt), fläka*
- räka: bräka (bräkte bräkt), kräkas (Deponens), vräka*
- röka: röka (rökte rökt), kröka*
- rälla: drälla (drällde drällt), skrälla*
- rämma: drämma (drämde drämt), skrämma*
- änna: känna (kände känt), nännas (Deponens), spänna, ränna, bränna*
- älpa: hjälpa (hjälppte hjälpt), stjälp*
- näppa: knäppa (knäppte knäppt), snäppa*
- äppa (fast homogen): zu -näppa kommen hinzu släppa, skräppa, täppa; Ausnahme kräppa (1.)*
- ärpa: skärpa (skärpte skärpt), snärpa, värpa*
- öpa: döpa (döpte döpt), köpa, löpa, snöpa, gröpa (auch 1. mit Bedeutungsunterschied), ströpa*
- väsa: väsa (väste väst), kväsa*
- älva: skälva (skälvde skälvt), välva*

4th conjugation

- lida: lida (led lidit), glida*
- rida: rida (red ridit), skrida, sprida (auch 2.), strida, vrida*
- juda: bjuda (bjöd bjudit), sjuda, ljuda (1|4)*
- vika: vika (vek vikit), svika*
- rypa (fast homogen): drypa (dröp drupit), krypa, strypa (2|24))*
- juta: gjuta (göt gjutit), skjuta, ljuta, njuta, tjuta*
- nyta: knyta (knöt knutit), snyta*
- ryta: ryta (röt rutit), bryta, skryta, tryta*
- yta (fast homogen): zu -ryta kommen hinzu flyta, knyta, snyta; Ausnahme byta (2.)*

5.S.3 Inhomogeneous clusters

1st and 2nd conjugation: -eda

leda (ledade, ledat) ‘böja’, *skeda, reda* ‘rederi’, *freda*
leda (ledde, lett) ‘föra’, *reda, breda, sveda*

1st and 4th conjugation: -inda

vinda (vindade, vindat),
binda (band, bundit),

1st, 2nd and 4th conjugation: -ida

snida (snidade, snidat), *guida, svida* ‘klä’
smida (smidde, smitt), *idas, sprida*
lida (led, lidit), *glida, nida, rida, skrida, sprida, (be)strida, vrida*,
kvida, svida ‘göra ont’

2nd and 4th conjugation

byta (bytte, bytt)
flyta (flöt, flutit), *knyta, snyta, ryta, bryta, skryta, tryta*

3rd and 4th conjugation

må (mådde, mått) ‘känna sig’, *flå, klå, försmå, nå, spå, rå, brås*,
förebrå, trå, så
må (måtte, mått) ‘hjälpverb’
stå (stod, stått)
få (fick, fått), *gå*
slå (slog, slagit)

etc.

5.S.4 Basic clusters

Only two:

~a (~ar, ~ade, ~at)

~as (~as, ~ades, ~ats)

The 1st conjugation and its deponentia.

The 1st conjugation is the only productive conjugation type.

5.S.5 Cluster tree

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1			basC	1	~a	börja	äta
	L2		homC	4	~lida	lida	--
	L2		homC	4	~rida	rida	--
	L2		homC	4	~juda	bjuda	--
	L2		homC	2	~yda	tyda	--
	L2		homC	2	~råda	råda	--
	L2		homC	2	~länga	länga	--
	L2		homC	2	~ränga	ränga	--
	L2		homC	2	~röja	röja	--
	L2		homC	2	~rycka	trycka	--
	L2		homC	2	~räcka	räcka	--
	L2		homC	2	~täcka	täcka	--
	L2		homC	2	~leka	leka	--
	L2		homC	4	~vika	vika	--
	L2		homC	2	~ränka	dränka	--
	L2		homC	2	~tänka	tänka	--
	L2		homC	2	~ärka	märka	--
	L2		homC	2	~läka	läka	--
	L2		homC	2	~råka	bräka	--
	L2		homC	2	~röka	röka	--
	L2		homC	2	~rälla	drälla	--
	L2		homC	2	~rämna	drämna	--
	L2		homC	2	~änna	känna	--
	L2		homC	2	~älpa	hjälpa	--
	L2		homC	2	~näppa	knäppa	--
	L2		homC	2	~ärpa	skärpa	--
	L2		homC	2	~öpa	döpa	--
	L2		homC	2	~väsa	väsa	--
	L2		homC	4	~juta	gjuta	--
	L2		homC	4	~nyta	knyta	--
	L2		homC	4	~ryta	ryta	--
	L2		homC	2	~älva	välva	--
	L2		homC	3	~o	bo	--
	L2		homC	3	~y	bry	--
	L2		homC	3	~rå	rå	--
	L2		homC	3	~ä	klä	--
L1			basC	1	~as	kallas	finnas

5.S.6 Part of the lexeme register

Fl ag	Cluster	Infl. type	Analyt. lex. base	Synthet. lex.base	Pres. tense	Past tense	Supine	Comment
s	basC	1	~a	~a		~ade	~at	
		1	skeda	skeda		skedade	skedat	
s		1	1leda	leda		ledade	ledat	röra sig i en led, böja
v		2	2leda	leda		ledde	lett	föra, vara främst
v		2	(s) *2leda	ledas		leddes	letts	känna leda
s		1	1reda	reda		redade	redat	idka rederigörelse
v		2	2reda	reda		redde	rett	göra i ordning etc.
s		2	breda	breda		bredde	brett	
		1	freda	freda		fredade	fredat	
s		2	sveda	sveda		svedde	svett	
s		2	(s) *ida	idas		iddes	itts	
		1	skida	skida		skidade	skidat	
s	homC	4	~lida	~lida		~led	~lidit	
s		2	smida	smida		smidde	smitt	
s		4	gnida	gnida		gned	gnidit	
		1	snida	snida		snidade	snidat	
s	homC	4	~rida	~rida		~red	~ridit	
s		4	α +sprida	sprida		spred	spridit	
v		2	β +sprida	sprida		(spridde)	spritt	
s		4	1strida	strida		stred	stridit	kämpa, tvista
s		4	α +be_2strida	bestrida		bestred	bestridit	tillbakavisa, förneka
v		42	β +be_2strida	bestrida		bestred	bestritt	tillbakavisa, förneka
		1	guida	guida		guidade	guidat	
s		4	kvida	kvida		kved	kvidit	
s		1	1svida	svida		svidade	svidat	klä
s		4	2svida	svida		sved	svidit	göra ont
s		4	binda	binda		band	bundit	
		1	vinda	vinda		vindade	vindat	
		1	ända	ända		ändade	ändat	
		1	full_ända	fullända		fulländade	fulländat	
s		2	bända	bända		bände	bänt	
s		2	hända	hända		hände	hänt	
		1	skända	skända		skändade	skändat	
s		2	lända	lända		lände	länt	
		1	blända	blända		bländade	bländat	
s		2	sända	sända		sände	sänt	
s		2	tända	tända		tände	tänt	
s		2	vända	vända		vände	vänt	
s		1	(1varda	varda		vardade	vardat	[inte i SAOL]
s		1	ant_1varda	antvarda		antvardade	antvardat	
s		2	2varda	varda	varder	var	(vorden)	

5.S.7 Result

There is a **regular weak (1, productive)**,
another **regular weak (3)**,
an **irregular weak (2)**,
a **mixed and an irregular strong conjugation class (4)**
with a very restricted categorisation
via reverse sorting of the present infinitives.

A clearer categorization can only be achieved
with the help of a second feature, the ending of the supine
(a neutrum-like form of the past participle
used for the synthetic tenses of the past).

There are grey zones due to verbs
which simultaneously have features of different classes.

There are numerous starting points
for analogical reasoning based upon reverse similarity.

About one fifth (92/460) of the irregular verbs can be found
in homogeneous clusters of reversely similar verbs
with an average size of 3 (92/30).

5.D The situation of the German verb

5.D.1 Principal parts

infinite Formen		Infinitiv Präsens Aktiv			Imperativ			
		Partizip Präsens			A	B	C	2. Sg.
		Partizip Perfekt Passiv						2. Pl.
Indikativ				Konjunktiv				
Präsens	1. Sg.							1. Sg.
	2. Sg.	A	B	C				2. Sg.
	3. Sg.							3. Sg.
	1. Pl.							1. Pl.
	2. Pl.							2. Pl.
	3. Pl.							3. Pl.
Präteritum	1. Sg.							1. Sg.
	2. Sg.							2. Sg.
	3. Sg.							3. Sg.
	1. Pl.							1. Pl.
	2. Pl.							2. Pl.
	3. Pl.							3. Pl.

A: Indikativ Präsens 2. / 3. Sg. und Imperativ 2. Sg. leiten sich vom Infinitiv ab. Indikativ Präsens 3. Sg. ist keine Schlüsselform.

gehen – du gehst – er geht – geh!

B: Indikativ Präsens 2. Sg. leitet sich vom Indikativ Präsens 3. Sg. (Schlüsselform) ab, der Imperativ 2. Sg. aber vom Infinitiv.

lassen – du lässt – er lässt – lass!

C: Indikativ Präsens 2. Sg. und Imperativ 2. Sg. leiten sich vom Indikativ Präsens 3. Sg. ab, der als Schlüsselform genannt ist.

treffen – du triffst – er trifft – tritt!

**Stem distribution of the German verb
(Holl / Behrschmidt / Kühn 2004, 103-104)**

5.D.2 Homogeneous clusters

Inflection type	Lex. base	Examples
ei-ie-ie	~reiben	reiben, schreiben, treiben
i-a-u / +e(dt)	~winden	winden, schwinden
i-a-u	~lingen	schlingen, klingen, ge- / miss_lingen
i-a-u	~wingen	schwingen, zwingen
ie-o-o	~riechen	riechen, kriechen
ei-i-i	~leichen	bleichen, gleichen, schleichen
reg / +e(mn)	~dmen	widmen
i-o-o	~limmen	glimmen, klimmen
reg / +e(mn)	~tmen	atmen
reg / +e(mn)	~bnen	ebnen
reg / +e(mn)	~dnen	ordnen
reg / +e(mn)	~fnen	öffnen
reg / +e(mn)	~gnen	eignen
reg / +e(mn)	~chnen	rechnen
reg / +e(mn)	~cknen	trocknen
reg / +e(mn)	~mnen	ver_vollkommen
reg / +e(mn)	~pnen	wappnen
ie-o-o / -s / +e(sz) / +CC	~ließen	fließen, schließen
ie-o-o / -s / +e(sz) / +CC	~rießen	sprießen, ver_drießen
reg / -s(sz)	~xen	faxen
reg / -e(lr)	~eln	jubeln
reg / -e(lr)	~ern	zaubern

5.D.2 Homogeneous clusters

~reiben: reiben (rieb gerieben), schreiben, treiben

~winden: winden (windet wand gewunden), schwinden

~lingen: schlingen (schlang geschlungen), klingen, ge-/miss_lingen

~wingen: schwingen (schwung geschwungen), zwingen

~riechen: riechen (roch gerochen), kriechen

~leichen: bleichen (blich geblichen) (auch regelmäßig), gleichen, schleichen

~limmen: glimmen (glomm, geglommen) (auch regelmäßig), klimmen (auch regelmäßig)

~ließen: fließen (floss geflossen), schließen

~rießen: sprießen (spross gesprossen) (auch regelmäßig), verdrießen

5.D.3 Inhomogeneous clusters 1

Necessarily contain irregular verbs

Selection of clusters with 3-4 inflection types

graben (grub, gegraben)

haben (hatte, gehabt)

laben (labte, gelabt), schaben, traben

schneiden (schnitt, geschnitten), leiden

meiden (mied, gemieden), scheiden

kleiden (kleidete, gekleidet)

liegen (lag gelegen)

biegen (bog gebogen), fliegen, wiegen

siegen (siegte gesiegt), kriegen, schmiegen

gehen (ging, gegangen)

stehen (stand, gestanden)

sehen (sah, gesehen), geschehen

flehen (flehte, gefleht), drehen

schwimmen (schwamm, geschwommen)

glimmen (glomm - glimmte, geglommen - geglimmt), klimmen

stimmen (stimmte, gestimmt), grimmen, trimmen

heißen (hieß, geheißen)

beißen (biss, gebissen), scheißen, schleißen, schmeißen, reißen

spleißen (spliss - spleißte, gesplissen, gespleißt)

weißen (weißte, geweißt), gleißen, kreißen, schweißen

etc.

5.D.3 Inhomogeneous clusters 2

Clusters with 2 inflection types only are considerably more frequent

~eiben (fast homogen): zu *~reiben* kommt hinzu *bleiben*; Ausnahme *einver-/ent_leiben* (regelmäßig)

~ingen (weitgehend homogen): zu *~lingen* und *~wingen* kommen hinzu *dingen* (auch regelmäßig), *ringen*, *dringen*, *springen*, *wringen*, *singen*; Ausnahmen *bringen* (*brachte gebracht*), *be-/um_ringen* (regelmäßig)

~ießen (fast homogen): zu *~ließen* und *~rießen* kommen hinzu *gießen*, *schießen*, *genießen*; Ausnahme *spießen* (regelmäßig)

etc.

5.D.4 Basic clusters

Cluster information	Basic cluster: morphological property (infl. type)	Basic cluster: alphabetic property (lexical base)	Examples	Exceptions
basC	reg	~en	loben	gehen
basC2 (er badet)	reg / +e(dt)	~den	baden	winden
basC2; no! caution	reg / +e(mn)	~Cmen	atmen	formen, kommen
basC2; no! caution	reg / +e(mn)	~Cnen	ebnen	lernen, kennen
basC2 (hat studiert)	reg / -ge(ieren)	~ieren	studieren	stieren
basC2 (du grasst)	reg / -s(sz)	~sen	grasen, passen	blasen, essen
basC2 (du spaßt)	reg / -s(sz)	~ßen	spaßen	fließen
basC2 (er watet)	reg / +e(dt)	~ten	waten	raten
basC2 (du pflanzt)	reg / -s(sz)	~zen	pflanzen	sitzen

basC

~en (~t, ~te, ge~t)

basC2

~den (~det, ~dete, ge~det): *baden*

Cmen (~Cmet, ~Cmete, ge~Cmet): *atmen*

Cnen (~Cnet, ~Cnete, ge~Cnet): *öffnen*

~ieren (~iert, ~ierte, ~iert): *studieren*

~sen

~ßen

~ten (~tet, ~tete, ~tet)

~zen

5.D.5 Cluster tree 1

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1			basC	reg	~en	loben	gehen
	L2		homC	ei-ie-ie	~reiben	reiben	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e(dt)	~den	baden	winden
		L3	homC	i-a-u / +e(dt)	~winden	winden	--
	L2		homC	i-a-u	~lingen	gelingen	--
	L2		homC	i-a-u	~wingen	schwingen	--
	L2		homC	ie-o-o	~riechen	riechen	--
	L2		homC	ei-i-i	~leichen	gleichen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~dmen	widmen	--
	L2		homC	i-o-o	~limmen	glimmen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~tmen	atmen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~bnen	ebnen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~dnen	ordnen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~fnen	öffnen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~gnen	eignen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~chnen	rechnen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~cknen	trocknen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~mnen	ver_vollkommnen	--
	L2		homC	reg / +e(mn)	~pnen	wappnen	--
	L2		basC2	reg / -ge(ieren)	~ieren	studieren	stieren
	L2		basC2	reg / -s(sz)	~sen	grasen	blasen
	L2		basC2	reg / -s(sz)	~ßen	spaßen	fließen
		L3	homC	ie-o-o / -s/+e(sz)/+CC	~ließen	fließen	--
		L3	homC	ie-o-o / -s/+e(sz)/+CC	~rießen	sprießen	--
	L2		basC2	reg / +e(dt)	~ten	waten	raten
	L2		homC	reg / -s(sz)	~xen	faxen	--
	L2		basC2	reg / -s(sz)	~zen	pflanzen	sitzen
L1			homC	reg / -e(lr)	~eCn	handeln, zaubern	--

5.D.5 Cluster tree 2 (not recommended)

basC2 ~Cmen (reg / +e(mn)) would require

basC3 ~hmen (reg), homC ~lmen (reg),

basC3 ~mmen (reg), homC ~rmen (reg)

basC2 ~Cnen (reg / +e(mn)) would require

homC ~Vhnen (reg), basC3 ~nnen (reg), homC ~rnen (reg)

Lev el 1	Lev el 2	Lev el 3	Lev el 4	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
	L2			basC2	reg / +e(mn)	~Cmen	atmen	kommen
		L3		basC3	reg	~hmen	nach_ahmen	nehmen
		L3		homC	reg	~lmen	qualmen	--
		L3		basC3	reg	~mmen	stammen	glimmen
			L4	homC	i-o-o	~limmen	glimmen	--
		L3		homC	reg	~rmen	formen	--
	L2			basC2	reg / +e(mn)	~Cnen	ebnen	kennen
		L3		homC	reg	~Vhnen	dehnen	--
		L3		basC3	reg	~nnen	sonnen	nennen
		L3		homC	reg	~rnen	lernen	--

Part of the cluster tree

5.D.6 Part of the lexeme register

Fl ag	Cluster	Infl. type	Analytic lex. base	Synthet. lex. base	Present 3rd sg	Past tense 1st sg	Past Participle	Comment
s	basC	reg	~en	~en		~te	ge~t	e.g. loben
		reg	säen	säen		säte	gesät	
s		a-a-a/Aux	haben	haben	hat	hatte	gehabt	
s		a-a-a/Aux	inne_haben	innehaben	hat inne	hatte inne	innegehabt	
p		reg	schaben	schaben		schabte	geschabt	
s		reg	handhaben	handhaben		handhabte	gehandhabt	noun Handhabe
s		a-ä-u-a	graben	graben	gräbt	grub	gegraben	
p		reg	traben	traben		trabte	getrabt	
s		e-i-a-e	geben	geben	gibt	gab	gegeben	imper. gib
s		e-o-o	heben	heben		hob	gehoben	
		e-o-o	auf_heben	aufheben	hebt auf	hob auf	aufgehoben	
s		ie-o-o	schieben	schieben		schob	geschoben	
p		reg	lieben	lieben		liebte	geliebt	
s		reg	α+stieben	stieben		stiebte	gestiebt	
v		ie-o-o	β+stieben	stieben		stob	gestoben	
		reg	leben	leben		lebte	gelebt	
s		reg	α+weben	weben		webte	gewebt	
v		e-o-o	β+weben	weben		wob	gewoben	
p		reg	schweben	schweben		schwebte	geschwebt	
p		reg	einver_leiben	einverleiben		verleibte ein	einverleibt	
s		ei-ie-ie	bleiben	bleiben		blieb	geblieben	
s	homC	ei-ie-ie	~reiben	~reiben		~rieb	ge~rieben	
p		ei-ie-ie	reiben	reiben		rieb	gerieben	
p		ei-ie-ie	schreiben	schreiben		schrieb	geschrieben	
p		ei-ie-ie	treiben	treiben		trieb	getrieben	
p		reg	erben	erben		erbte	geerbt	
s		e-i-a-o	ver_derben	verderben	verdirbt	verdarb	verdorben	imper. verdirb
p		reg	gerben	gerben		gerbte	gegerbt	
p		reg	kerben	kerben		kerbte	gekerbt	
s		e-i-a-o	sterben	sterben	stirbt	starb	gestorben	imper. stirb, subj. past stürbe
s		e-i-a-o	werben	werben	wirbt	warb	geworben	imper. wirb
s		reg	α+schnauben	schnauben		schnaubte	geschnaubt	current use
v		au-o-o	β+schnauben	schnauben		schnob	geschnoben	obsolete
p		reg	rauben	rauben		raubte	geraubt	
s	basC2	reg/+e(dt)	~den	~den	~det	~dete	ge~det	e.g. baden
p		reg/+e(dt)	baden	baden	badet	badete	gebadet	
s		a-ä-u-a/+e(dt)	laden	laden	lädt	lud	geladen	

5.D.7 Result

Es gibt es eine **regelmäßige (schwache, produktive)** und eine **unregelmäßige (starke, nicht produktive)** Konjugationsklasse ohne durchgängige Abgrenzungsmöglichkeit über rückläufige Sortierung.

Die reguläre Konjugationsklasse enthält produktive Subtypen mit regelhaften Anpassungen aufgrund von phonotaktischen, phonetischen und orthographischen Besonderheiten:

e-Einschübe bei Verben auf *-den, -ten, -Cmen* (*C* ungleich *h, l, m, r*; alle homogen), *-Cnen* (nur *-fnen, -gnen, -chnen* homogen)

e-Elision im Ind.Prs.1.Sg. bei Verben auf *-eln* und *-ern* (beide homogen)





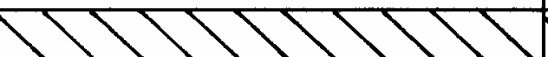
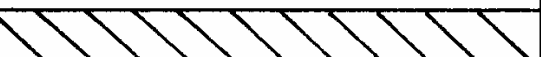
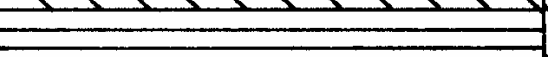

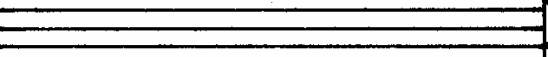




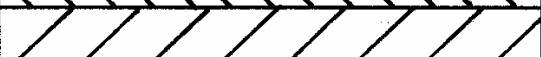






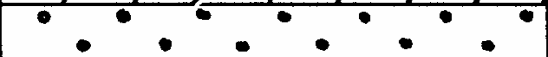


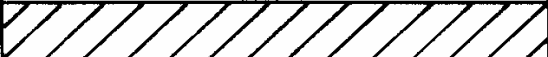




s-Elision im Ind.Prs.2.Sg. bei Verben auf *-sen, -ssen, -ßen, -xen* (homogen), *-zen*.

Ansätze für ausgangsbasierte Analogieschlüsse sind vorhanden, aber nicht zahlreich.

Etwa ein Neuntel (21/190) der unregelmäßigen Verben liegt in homogenen Gruppen ausgangsgleicher mit der Durchschnittsgröße $2 \frac{1}{2}$ (21/9).

5.I The situation of the Italian verb

5.I.1 Principal parts 1

in- fi- ni- te For- men	Infinitiv		Imperativ 2.S, 1.P, 2.P
	Gerund		
	Partizip Prs.		
	Partizip Pf.	* * * * *	
	Indikativ		Konjunktiv
P r ä s e n s			
			
			
			
I m p e r f e k t			
			
			
			
h s t P e r f e k t			
			
			
			
F u t u r			
			
K o n j u n k t i v			
			

5.I.1 Principal parts 2

Principal parts:

Inf.Pr.,

Ind.Pr.1.Sg.,

Ind.Pr.2.Sg.,

Ind.Pr.1.Pl.,

hist.Pf.1.Sg.,

Past Ptcp.,

Fut.1.Sg.

The **derivation rules** depend on the conjugation class which is determined by the infinitive ending.

(Holl 1988, 232, 234-235)

5.I.1 Principal parts 3

Ind. Prs.

	Inf. Prs. 2 auf -Vre V = a	auf -Vre V = e i
1.S	Schlüsselform o	o
2.S	Schlüsselform i	i
3.S	Ind. Prs. 2.S - i + a	- i + e
1.P	Schlüsselform iamo	iamo
2.P	Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + Vte	- Vre + Vte
3.P	Ind. Prs. 1.S - o + ano	- o + ono

Ipv.

2.S	Ind. Prs. 2.S - i + a	i
1.P	Ind. Prs. 1.P iamo	
2.P	Ind. Prs. 2.P Vte	

Inf. Prs. 1 Inf. Prs. 2

Ind. Ipf.; V = a e i

1.S	Inf. Prs. 2 - re + vo
2.S	Ind. Ipf. 1.S - o + i
3.S	Ind. Ipf. 1.S - o + a
1.P	Ind. Ipf. 1.S - o + amo
2.P	Ind. Ipf. 1.S - o + ate
3.P	Ind. Ipf. 1.S - Vvo + Vvano

hist. Perf.

	hist. Pf. 1.S auf -Vi	h. Pf. 1.S auf -Ci
1.S	Schlüsselform Vi	Ci
2.S	Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + Vsti	- Vre + Vsti
3.S	h. Pf. 1.S - Vi + X	- Ci + Ce
		X = ò V = a X = V' V = e i u
1.P	h. Pf. 2.S - Vsti + Vmno	- Vsti + Vmno
2.P	h. Pf. 2.S - Vsti + Vste	- Vsti + Vste
3.P	h. Pf. 1.S - Vi + Vrono	- Ci + Cero

Futur

1.S	Inf. Prs. 1 + ò
2.S	Fut. 1.S - ò + ai
3.S	Fut. 1.S - ò + à
1.P	Fut. 1.S - ò + emo
2.P	Fut. 1.S - ò + ete
3.P	Fut. 1.S - ò + anno

5.I.1 Principal parts 4

Konj. Prs.

Inf. Prs. 2 auf -are : W = i
Inf. Prs. 2 auf -ere, -ire : W = a

1.S Ind. Prs. 1.S - o + W
2.S Konj. Prs. 1.S W
3.S Konj. Prs. 1.S W

1.P Ind. Prs. 1.P iamo
2.P Ind. Prs. 1.P - iamo + iate
3.P Konj. Prs. 1.S - W + Who

Part. Prs.

Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + Vnte V = a
Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + ente V = e i

Gerund

Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + Vndo V = a
Inf. Prs. 2 - Vre + endo V = e i

Konj. Ip.; V = a e i o

1.S hist. Pf. 2.S - ti + si
2.S hist. Pf. 2.S - ti + si
3.S hist. Pf. 2.S - ti + se
1.P hist. Pf. 2.S - Vsti + Vssimo
2.P hist. Pf. 2.S - ti + te
3.P hist. Pf. 2.S - Vsti + Vssero

Konditional

1.S Fut. 1.S - ò + ei
2.S Fut. 1.S - ò + esti
3.S Fut. 1.S - ò + ebbe
1.P Fut. 1.S - ò + emmo
2.P Fut. 1.S - ò + este
3.P Fut. 1.S - ò + ebbero

5.I.2 Homogeneous clusters 1

Infl. type	Lex. base	Examples
gare	~gare	pagare
giare	~giare	mangiare
acére	~acére	giacére, piacére, tacére
dere_s_s	~adere	radere, evadere
ndere_s_s	~cendere	accendere, scendere
ndere_s_s	~rendere	rendere, prendere
dere_s_s	~odere	esplodere, rodere
dere_s_s	~rdere	ardere, perdere, mordere
dere_s_s	~udere	chiudere, accludere, alludere, prudere, intrudere
ggere_ss_tt	~eggere	leggere, reggere, proteggere
gere_s_s	~ulgere	fulgere, indulgere
gere_s_t	~angere	frangere, piangere, tangere
gere_s_t	~pingere	pingere, spingere
gere_s_t	~ungere	ungere, fungere, giungere, mungere, pungere
gere_s_t	~orgere	scorgere, porgere, sorgere
gere_s_t	~urgere	assurgere, urgere
gliere_s_t	~gliere	scegliere, cogliere, scogliere, togliere
ere	~emere	gemere, fremere, premere
ere	~etere	metere, ripetere
ire	~ucire	cucire, sdrucire

5.I.2 Homogeneous clusters 2

Homogeneous clusters of verbs with infinitive ending in -ére

~**acére**: *giacere* (*giaccio giaci giacciamo giacqui giaciuto*), *piacere*, *tacere*

Homogeneous clusters of verbs with infinitive ending in -ere

~**adere**: *radere* (*rado radi radiamo rasi raso*), *evadere*

~**acendere**: *accendere* (*accendo accendi accendiamo accesi acceso*), *scendere*

~**rendere**: *rendere* (*rendo rendi rendiamo resi reso*), *prendere*

~**odere**: *esplodere* (*esplodo esplodi esplodiamo esplosi esploso*), *rodere*

~**rdere**: *ardere* (*ardo ardi ardiamo arsi arso*), *perdere* (also reg.), *mordere*

~**udere**: *chiudere* (*chiudo chiudi chiudiamo chiusi chiuso*), *accludere*, *alludere*, *prudere* (def.), *intrudere*

~**eggere**: *leggere* (*leggo leggi leggiamo lessi letto*), *reggere*, *proteggere*

~**ulgere**: *rifulgere* (*rifulgo rifulgi rifulgiamo rifulsi rifulso*), *indulgere* (def.)

5.I.2 Homogeneous clusters 3

~**angere**: *frangere* (*frango frangi frangiamo fransi franto*), *piangere*, *tangere* (def.)

~**pingere**: *pingere* (*pingo pingi pingiamo pinsi pinto*), *spingere*

~**ingere** (nearly homogeneous): to *-pingere* add *cingere*, *finger*, *mingere*, *tingere*, *attingere*; exception *stringere* (*stretto*)

~**ungere**: *ungere* (*ungo ungi ungiamo unsi unto*), *fungere*, *giungere*, *mungere*, *pungere*

~**orgere**: *scorgere* (*scorgo scorgi scorgiamo scorsi scorto*), *porgere*, *sorgere*

~**urgere**: *assurgere* (*assurgo assurgi assurgiamo assursi assurto*), *urgere* (def.)

~**gliere**: *scegliere* (*scelgo scegli scegliamo scelsi scelto*), *cogliere*, *scogliere*, *togliere*

~**emere** (reg): *gemere* (*gemo gemi gemiamo gemei/etti, gemuto*), *fremere*, *premere*

~**etere** (reg): *metere* (*meto meti metiamo metei/etti, metuto*), *ripetere*

Homogeneous clusters of verbs with infinitive ending in *-ire*

~**ucire**: *cucire* (*cucio cuci cuciamo cucii cucito*), *sdrucire*

~**uggire** (to be discussed): *fuggire* (*fuggo fuggi fuggiamo fuggii fuggito*), *muggire* (also reg.), *ruggire* (also reg.)

~**offrire** (only compound verbs of the same basic verb): *offrire* (*offro offri offriamo offrii/offersi offerto*), *soffrire*

~**prire** (only compound verbs of the same basic verb): *aprire* (*apro apri apriamo aprii/apersi aperto*), *coprire*

5.I.2 Homogeneous clusters 4

Phonetic-orthographic specialties of verbs with infinitive ending in *-are*

Verbs in *-care*:

***c/ch* alternation which conserves pronunciation.**

This cluster is nearly homogeneous with the exception of the *o/uo* vowel alternation regarding *giocare*, but contains many trivial homogeneous sub-clusters.

Verbs in *-gare*:

***g/gh* alternation which conserves pronunciation.**

This cluster is homogeneous.

Verbs in *-iare*:

Using reverse sorting, it is nearly impossible to distinguish the verbs with syllabic *i* in present tense (type *desìo*) from those with non-syllabic *i* (type *copio*).

Only the cluster *-giare* is homogeneous (non-syllabic *i*).

Only the cluster *-ciare* is nearly homogeneous (non-syllabic *i*), with the exception *sciare* (syllabic *i*).

[For numeric evaluations, the verbs with syllabic *i* are counted as irreg.]

5.I.3 Inhomogeneous clusters

Conjugation with infinitive in -ere

~*idere* (nearly homogeneous): *decidere* (*decisi, deciso*), *elidere*, *ridere*, *inridere*, *assidersi*, *conquidere*, *dividere*
exception: *stridere* (reg)

~*endere* (not homogeneous): *prendere* (*presi, preso*) etc.
exceptions: *pendere* (reg), *vendere* (reg) etc.

~*ondere* (not homogeneous): *rispondere* (*risposi, risposto*) etc.
exceptions: *fondere* (*fusi, fuso*), *contundere*

~*ngere* (nearly homogeneous): *spengere* (*spensi, spento*), ~*angere*,
~*ingere* ~*ungere*
exception: *stringere* (*strinsi, stretto*)

~*ingere* (nearly homogeneous): *cingere* (*cinsi, cinto*), *fingere*,
mingere, *pingere*, *spingere*, *tingere*, *attingere*
exception: *stringere* (*strinsi, stretto*)

~*ergere* (nearly homogeneous): *emergere* (*emersi, emerso*),
aspergere, *tergere*, *convergere*
exception: *ergere* (*ersi, erto*)

etc.

Conjugation with infinitive in -ire

~*uggire* (nearly homogeneous): *fuggire* (*fuggo*)
exceptions: *muggire* (also reg), *ruggire* (also reg)

etc.

5.I.4 Basic clusters

Cluster information	Basic cluster: morphological property (infl. type)	Basic cluster: alphabetic property (lexical base)	Examples	Exceptions
basC	are	~are	amare	fare
basC2	care	~care	marcare	giocare
basC2	iare	~iare	studiare	espiare
basC3	ciare	~ciare	baciare	sciare
basC	dere_s_s	~dere	radere	cedere
basC2	dere_s_s	~idere	decidere	stridere
basC2	ndere_s_s	~ndere	accendere	pendere
basC3	ndere_s_s	~endere	prendere	pendere
basC3	ndere_s_st	~ondere	rispondere	fondere
basC	gere_s_t	~gere	volgere	stringere
basC2	ggere_ss_tt	~ggere	leggere	affiggere
basC2	gere_ss_tt	~igere	diligere	esigere
basC2	gere_s_s	~lgere	fulgere	volgere
basC2	gere_s_t	~ngere	spengere	stringere
basC3	gere_s_t	~ingere	cingere	stringere
basC2	gere_s_t	~rgere	scorgere	emergere
basC3	gere_s_s	~ergere	emergere	ergere
basC	ire(sc)	~ire	finire	uscire
basC2	ire	~uggire	fuggire	muggire

One can dispute about the cluster written in orange.

5.I.5 Cluster tree

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1				basC	are	~are	amare	fare
	L2			basC2	care	~care	marcare	giocare
	L2			homC	gare	~gare	pagare	--
	L2			basC2	iare	~iare	studiare	espiare
		L3		basC3	ciare	~ciare	baciare	sciare
		L3		homC	giare	~giare	mangiare	--
L1				homC	acére	~acére	piacére	--
L1				basC	dere_s_s	~dere	radere	cedere
	L2			homC	dere_s_s	~adere	radere	--
	L2			basC2	dere_s_s	~idere	decidere	stridere
	L2			basC2	ndere_s_s	~ndere	accendere	pendere
		L3		basC3	ndere_s_s	~endere	prendere	pendere
			L4	homC	ndere_s_s	~cendere	accendere	--
			L4	homC	ndere_s_s	~rendere	rendere	--
		L3		basC3	ndere_s_st	~ondere	rispondere	fondere
	L2			homC	dere_s_s	~odere	esplodere	--
	L2			homC	dere_s_s	~rdere	ardere	--
	L2			homC	dere_s_s	~udere	chiudere	--
L1				basC	gere_s_t	~gere	volgere	stringere
	L2			basC2	ggere_ss_tt	~ggere	leggere	affiggere
		L3		homC	ggere_ss_tt	~eggere	leggere	--
	L2			basC2	gere_ss_tt	~igere	diligere	esigere
	L2			basC2	gere_s_s	~lgere	fulgere	volgere
		L3		homC	gere_s_s	~ulgere	fulgere	--
	L2			basC2	gere_s_t	~ngere	spengere	stringere
		L3		homC	gere_s_t	~angere	frangere	--
		L3		basC3	gere_s_t	~ingere	cingere	stringere
			L4	homC	gere_s_t	~pingere	pingere	--
		L3		homC	gere_s_t	~ungere	giungere	--
	L2			basC2	gere_s_t	~rgere	scorgere	emergere
		L3		basC3	gere_s_s	~ergere	emergere	ergere
		L3		homC	gere_s_t	~orgere	scorgere	--
		L3		homC	gere_s_t	~urgere	assurgere	--
L1				homC	gliere_s_t	~gliere	scegliere	--
L1				homC	ere	~emere	premere	--
L1				homC	ere	~etere	ripetere	--

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Cluster type	Inflection type	Cluster (an. / synth. lex. base)	Examples	Exceptions
L1				basC	ire(sc)	~ire	finire	uscire
	L2			homC	ire	~ucire	cucire	--
	L2			basC2	ire	~uggire	fuggire	muggire

5.I.6 Part of the lexeme register

see **Excel table**

5.I.7 Result

There are a regular, two mixed and an irregular conjugation class.

Using reverse sorting, they can be distinguished exactly if one marks the accent of the verbs in *~ére* und *~ere*:

Verbs in *~are*: mostly regular verbs (**productive**).

Verbs in *~ire*: regular (stem-extending, **productive**) and irregular (not stem-extending, not productive); cannot be completely distinguished using the reverse view.

Verbs in *~ére*: irregular verbs (not productive).

Verbs in *~ere* (not productive): few regular verbs (type *vendere*) and many irregular verbs;

cannot be completely distinguished using the reverse view.

There are only the clusters *~emere*, *~etere* which are homogeneous and contain regular verbs.

There are numerous starting points for assumptions of analogy on the basis of reverse similarity.

About one fourth (50/200) of the irregular verbs are elements of homogeneous clusters of reversely similar verbs with the average size $2\frac{1}{2}$ (50/18).

The investigation is based on Holl 1988: 231-246.

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