The importance of terminological verbs to LSP teaching

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• • Presentation Plan

- 1. Corpus
- 2. Database
- Verbs in specialized context
- 4. The verb *constituir* [to constitute]
- 5. LSP learning/teaching
- 6. LSP didactic resources
- Future research

• • Corpus

- Domain analysis
- Unit of analysis: Terminological Verbs (TVs)
- Corpus creation
- Electronic corpus

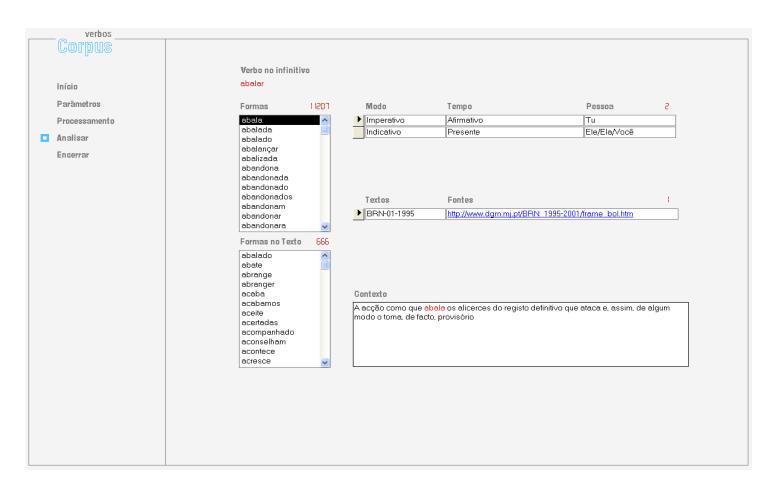
Database (1)



• • Database (2)

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Database (3)



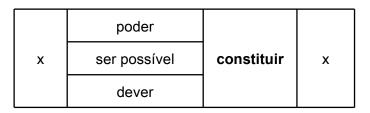
• • Verbs in specialized context

- Verbs in the corpus
- Grammar and Lexis

«(...) we can construct lexicogrammatical databases which combine the reliability of a large-scale body of authentic text data with the theoretical strengths of both the lexicologist and the grammarian. The user can then explore from a variety of different angles» (Halliday, 2004:20)

Verb-concepts

The verb constituir (1)



x continuar a constituir direito x de

Verb constituir in the infinitive form

			para	
x	constitui	título	1	х
			de	

Verb constituir in the infinitive form

x constitui	infracção	х
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Verb constituir in the Present Simple

	constitui-se	em	
х		por	х
		como	

Verb constituir in the Present Simple

	constituído(a)(s)	por	
		em	
X		com	X
		para	

Verb *constituir* in the reflexive form of the Present Simple

The verb constituir (2)

- Term: yes
- Structure: fairly regular
- Syntactical behaviour: changes a little depending on the tense and on the mood
- Term selection: yes

The verb *constituir* (3)

- The terms on its right side tend to be more recurrent or less changeable
- It can be the nucleus of complex terms,
 specialized collocations and phraseologies.

LSP teaching should take TVs into account

• • LSP learning

- LSP's formalizations
 LGP's formalizations
- LSP: <u>structures and patterns</u> that name <u>concepts</u>

Linguistic knowledge Conceptual knowledge

Specialised discourse

• • LSP learning/teaching

Semi-automatic / automatic extraction of specialized units

LSP didactic resources

Lexicographic and terminological resources (dictionaries, databases, etc.)

• • LSP didactic resources

Teaching through:

- Verbs and arguments
- Compound verb forms
- Derivatives: verb nominalizations and noun verbalizations, past participles and adjectives
- Specialized collocations
- Phraseologies

• • Future research (1)

- 1. Database development:
- Irregular verbs
- Compound verb tenses
- Ambiguity problems: tense, mood and person
- 7. To establish the limits between:
- TVs that select terms
- TVs that make part of complex terms
- TVs that make part of specialized collocations
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• • Future research (2)

To improve LSP's formalizations

better exercices for LSP learning

- 6. Methodology for LSP teaching with a team of:
- Linguists (terminologists)
- Domain experts
- Didactics experts