

BancTrad: a web interface fo integrated access to annotated corpora

Carme Colominas (carme.colominas@upf.edu)
GliCom (Grup de Lingüística Computacional)
Departament de Traducció i Filologia
Universitat Pompeu Fabra

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



contents

- description of the BancTrad platform
 - general data
 - linguistic processing
 - architecture
- demo of the input interface
- demo of the query interface

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



historical survey (I)

• born in 2001 at the FTI as a multilingual parallel corpus project for didactic purposes in translation studies

Languages: Catalan, Spanish, English, German, French

Sources: work done in translation courses, publishing houses, Internet

Linguistic and extra-linguistic tagging

- --→ BancTrad grows and rises to a **corpus platform**

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



historical survey (II)

- at the present BancTrad subsumes under a common access interface:
 - monolingual corpora
 - BNC English 100.000 tokens of spoken and written language

- Annotation: POS

- FR German 34,000 tokens of German newspaper
 - Annotation: lemma and POS
- multilingual corpus
 - former BancTrad 3.000.000 tokens
 - Annotation: linguistic (lemma and POS) and macrotextua



linguistic and extralinguistic processing (I)

- preprocessing via web (Java Web Start application)
- macrotextual mark-up:
 - source and target languages
 - register
 - type of text
- output: SGML marked document
- conversion to plain text, alignment and uploading
 RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



linguistic and extralinguistic processing (II)

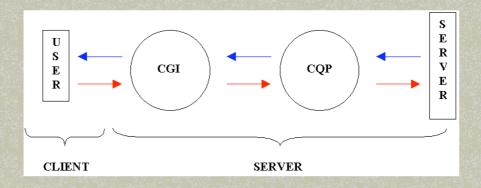
- Tagging:
 - Spanish, English, German, French TreeTagger (Schmid 1995,19
 - Catalan CATCG (Badia et al.. 2000)
 - minimum of uniformed kind of information (lemma, POS)
- Corpus formatting with the CWB tools (IMS, Stuttgart)
- Corpus building
 - : ready to be consulted with CQP through the GUI and the CGI

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



architecture (I)

Query routing through the client /server architecture



RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



architecture (II): the external program interface

- makes the query processing
 - the CGI interfaces with information server
 - CQP allows
 - powerful query setting
 - access to linguistic and structural tags
 - aligned corpus querying



architecture (III): the search machine

- open access and platform independent
 →HTML-based interface
- user friendly/adaptable → two levels of expertise
 - basic mode: sequences of word forms
 - advanced mode: sequences of five quadruples (form, lemma, pos, and synt. function), negation
 - restrictions on extralinguistic features

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005



Demo

- Input interface
- Query interface



Demo

- Input interface
- Query interface

Contributions to BancTRad wellcome!
Thanks four your attention

RANLP, Workshop: "Modern Approaches in TT" Borovets, September 2005