

# From Linguistic Insights to Theoretical Relevance: A personal retrospective on Chinese grammar

## 語料觀察與理論詮釋：中文語法研究的個人回顧

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### Short English Abstract

The road from linguistic insights to theoretical relevance can be confusing. On one hand, it is easy to be lost in linguistic complexity and miss the theoretical relevance. On the other hand, it is also easy to be too fixated on a theoretical model and miss a more elegant representation of the linguistic facts. In this talk, I will present three sets of Chinese data in light of different linguistic theories. The facts studied are Primary/Secondary predicate, Subcategorized Topic, and Expletive object. The theories discussed include GPSG, LFG, and Construction Grammar. The perspective is personal since I worked on all these facts and grammatical theories. It is hoped, however, that this personal retrospective will shed some light on how to achieve synergy between linguistic insights and theoretical relevance.

### 中文摘要：

語言學理論的發展，自杭士基 Chomsky 於 1950 年代後期，首創衍生變形語法理論後，產生了重要的範典更新 (paradigm shift)。新範典產生之後，隨之而來的是不同理論的辯證與競和。在 50 到 60 年代，理論的討論，焦點在結構主義與衍生語法間的優劣利弊。進入 70 年代以後，衍生學派作為語言學理論主流的地位已毫無置疑，並建立了語言學理論歷史上前所未有的規範理論基礎。這個新的規範理論範典，使得衍生學派中，在對人類語言的解釋不同假設時，不但可以提出不同理論架構，更可以直接對理論架構作科學性與規範性的檢視。在這個環境下，由 1980 年代到 2000 年間，語言學理論可以說是百花齊放，百家爭鳴。而且每個理論都能對人類語言的科學解釋，提供新觀點與新方法。有過相當影響力的理論，包括了 Generative Semantics, Case Grammar, Relational Grammar, GPSG, LFG 等。這 20 年間，正好是個人專心耕耘語法理論與中文語法研究的時間，對大多數的理論都有所涉獵。藉著對這些研究的回顧與整理，本文希望能釐清語料觀察與理論詮釋的關係，並從而凸顯這個過程中的一些應避免的盲點。最後，我將對語言系統性的本質，提出自己的看法。

語法理論的快速蓬勃發展，雖然對理論解釋與發展有正面的誘導；但也造成了一個危機。由於理論的更新與發展過於快速，反而不能先在大量多樣的語言中得到驗證。因此，理論的發展與描述，常常是取決於少數幾個當時最熱門的

語言中的局部關鍵性語料。有志之士看到了這個問題，提出呼籲，希望新理論應該針對不同語言作更全面深入的分析再提出解釋，而不是急就章的用少量單一語言語料提出新理論。在方法論上的論證，就是單一語法現象的跨語言一致性解釋，與單一語言系統性的一致解釋，到底孰先孰重？在研究的實踐上，沒有學者能夠真正把單一現象在世界上所有語言中的表現都分析完；也鮮少有學者能夠寫出涵蓋單一語言所有現象，又具嚴謹理論系統的語法。因此，兩種策略，都是逼近科學事實的研究方法，不相排斥。我個人選擇單一語言的系統性解釋，主要是認為這個方向可以做出目前比較能有具體可驗證結果的研究。

個人的理論語言學研究就是在這個背景下進行的。由 80 年代中期起，黃居仁參與了 GPSP (Generalized Phrase Structure Grammar) 與 LFG (Lexical-functional Grammar) 等兩個理論的發展。這兩個理論，當時率先提出表面結構為主，詞彙驅動等與變形語法不相容的解釋觀點。對後來理論與計算語言學都發生了深遠的影響。個人率先將這兩個理論引入中文語言學研究的學者。一方面用中文來檢驗新理論的強健性 (robustness) 與完整性。一方面藉由理論的新觀點，誘發中文特殊結構的分析，不但發掘新語料，也提出新解釋。在理論上，提出了架構修正的貢獻；在語料上，發掘了許多過去缺少理論解釋的中文現象 (如 Expletive object, Possessive objects, Pseudo-possessive constructions, Subcategorized Topic, 等等)。這個結合新理論與新語料的研究方向，後來也延伸到 1990 年代末期興起的句構語法 (Construction Grammar) 的中文研究。在這三個理論中，個人的研究都是各理論裡，最早用於中文語法分析的文獻。在這些論文中，也都能採理論與語言多樣性兼顧的立場，做出兼具理論改進與新語料解釋的成果。換句話說，這些研究不但是個別理論用於中文的尖端研究，更是新理論與新語料互動，激發新觀點的例子。

本文終將針對三組中文特有的語言現象：Primary/Secondary predicate, Subcategorized Topic, 及 Expletive object；探討語料觀察，系統性的描述分析，與理論詮釋間的平衡點。期望能見微知著，導出語言為知識系統的新觀點，而給予語言學理論更宏觀而完備的解釋能力。

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# Or: How to avoid getting deleted?

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*Old linguists don't die, they just get obligatorily deleted.*

- Title of Eva Hajicova's talk given at her speech when accepting the Association of Computational Linguistics Life Achievement Award in July 2006
- From an old Indiana University Linguistics Club T-Shirt

# How to avoid getting deleted I

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■ **I have data, lots of data!**

*And some linguistic generalizations  
too.*

# How Much Data? Comparing Chinese Corpora

Corpus Name	Online Year	Data : million words/characters	Duration/ Content
<b>Sinica 4.0 (Taiwan)</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>5.2 M words 7.9 M characters</b>	<b>1990-1996 Fully Tagged</b>
<b>Sinica 5.0 (Taiwan)</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>10 M words</b>	<b>1990-2004 Fully Tagged</b>
<b>Sinorama (Taiwan)</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>3.2 M English words 5.3 M Chinese characters</b>	<b>1976 – 2000 (1999-2000) Aligned</b>
<b>CCL (Peking)</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>85 M simplified characters</b>	<b>1919 -2003 Partially tagged (1 million)</b>



# How to find generalizations from Corpus I

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## ■ Size Matters

- Observable facts are directly proportional to corpus size
- An average collocation requires corpus size of 1,000,000,000 (10,000x10,000x10)  
Hence the Gigaword Corpus

# How Much Data Can One have? Chinese Gigaword Corpus

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	CNA	Xinhua	Zaobao
First Edition	1991- 2002	1990- 2002	
New in Second Edition	Oct. 2002 - Dec. 2004	Jan. 2003 - Dec. 2004	Oct. 2000 - Sep. 2003

# Size of Chinese Gigaword Corpus

	Resource	Characters/ million	Words/ million	Documents
<b>First Edition</b>	<b>CNA</b>	735	462	1,649
	<b>Xinhua</b>	382	252	817
	<b>TOTAL</b>	1,118	714	2,466
<b>Second Edition</b>	<b>CNA</b>	792	497	1,769
	<b>Xinhua</b>	471	310	992
	<b>Zaobao</b>	28	18	41
	<b>TOTAL</b>	1,291	825	2,803

Unit: **Million**

# Size of Lexicon Extracted from Chinese Gigaword Corpus

	Word Type	Word Token
CNA	1,917,093	496,465,879
XIN	1,409,747	305,595,420
ZBN	273,111	18,328,571
Total	2,999,590	820,389,870

# How to find generalizations from Corpus II

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- Numbers (and tendencies) don't lie
  - A large enough sample allows us to observe the tendencies (distributional patterns) of language use
- Linguistic Knowledge can be used to generate more linguistic knowledge
  - In order to extract grammatical relations automatically and efficiently, we applied detail lexical grammatical knowledge, especially argument structures and collocating patterns of verbs

# Finding a Word's Company: Corpus KeyWord In Context (KWIC) and the color pen approach

1 ~~arity, which will be used to take~~ a party of under-privileged children to  
2 from outside. You are invited to a party and after a couple of drinks you  
3 tion, we believe politicians of all parties will listen to our views. &eq  
4 ould be reaching agreement with all parties concerned as to which event  
5 lack people. I have certainly been party to one or two discussions amongs  
6 . These should be discussed by both parties before entering into the relat  
7 presents They had hosted a cocktail party at Kensington palace, for examp  
8 akes. By midnight the end-of-course party is in full swing, but most cad  
9 e should be a right for the injured party to terminate the contract. A ma  
10 by the Safran Peoples ' Liberation Party. This presents the powerful nei  
11 s. Ahead I could see the rest of my party plodding towards the final slope  
12 cial ethic. The two main political parties - the Tories and the Liberals  
13 ritish successes in Perth The small party of British players competing in  
14 to help control. One member of the party went to summon the rescue team a  
15 rket society fashion magazine. The party was held at his flat which was a  
16 security and secrecy than any Tory Party Conference : it seems that bootl

1 political association

4 person in an agreement/dispute

2 social event

5 to be party to something...

3 group of people

The coloured pens method

from Kilgarriff et al. 2005

# A Word's Company Automatically Detected: WordSketch w BNC Data

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object	<u>3013</u>	1.9	subject	<u>4183</u>	5.3	modifier	<u>5463</u>	6.8	and/or	<u>558</u>	0.3
english	<u>412</u>	57.8	non-english	<u>7</u>	23.67	strictly	<u>245</u>	60.0	write	<u>114</u>	38.76
language	<u>382</u>	46.73	english	<u>48</u>	23.32	broadly	<u>180</u>	55.67	listen	<u>29</u>	29.8
french	<u>132</u>	45.5	voice	<u>72</u>	21.06	generally	<u>329</u>	52.72	move	<u>29</u>	21.62
word	<u>370</u>	41.78	Jesus	<u>23</u>	18.26	again	<u>263</u>	42.03	act	<u>18</u>	20.98
truth	<u>115</u>	38.1	God	<u>37</u>	17.49	softly	<u>94</u>	41.88	sing	<u>12</u>	19.56
spanish	<u>23</u>	36.15	führer	<u>7</u>	16.11	quietly	<u>108</u>	41.01	speak	<u>16</u>	18.34
italian	<u>37</u>	31.46	man	<u>96</u>	14.97	roughly	<u>61</u>	38.55	understand	<u>15</u>	16.88
gaelic	<u>15</u>	31.05	Silas	<u>7</u>	14.88	figuratively	<u>17</u>	36.05	come	<u>26</u>	14.66
german	<u>53</u>	30.98				ill	<u>28</u>	35.77	read	<u>11</u>	13.8

# Sketch Engine and Chinese WordSketch

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- Sketch Engine <http://www.sketchengine.co.uk>  
Developed by team led by Adam Kilgarriff
- **A new corpus viewing tool**
- **Discovering grammatical information from a gigantic corpus**
- Chinese Wordsketch by Academia Sinica  
<http://www.ling.sinica.edu.tw/wordsketch> (free license for use in Taiwan only)
  - **Academia Sinica, Taiwan** (Huang, Smith, Ma, Simon  
黃居仁，史尚明，馬偉雲，石穆)



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民眾可蒐集金額新台幣二千元以上的**發票**，向稅捐單位領取紀念品。省活動，除可繼續提醒民眾保持購物索取**發票**的習慣外，更配合年度所得稅的申報宣導將舉辦的活動包括：

- 集**發票**兌換紀念品，凡集滿本月份**發票**金額
- 集**發票**兌換紀念品，凡集滿本月份**發票**金額在二千元以上者，可憑**發票**於月份**發票**金額在二千元以上者，可憑**發票**於本月三十日及三十一日向各稅捐處或摸彩活動。
- 辦理餐飲業開立**發票**模範商店選拔。

八名減刑獲釋泰人勒令停業一週。稅捐處已將漏開**發票**與大額欠稅戶以電腦列管，一年內欠稅戶以電腦列管，一年內有三次漏開**發票**紀錄及欠稅超過十萬元，都將依規定八十年元月份二聯式統一發票或收銀機**發票**收執聯金額達二千元以上者，均可將是一大損失，商家最好誠實開立**發票**，以免因小失大。財政部自十五日

凡遭查到三次以上未誠實開立**發票**的商家，將遭停業處置，王建(火宣一百萬者，在誠實開發票前提下，使**發票**數額提高至兩百萬元以上，財政部的進入各類商店購物，如當場未開立**發票**，即以「現行犯」成為處罰列管對象包含了自己所繳的稅額，如不索取**發票**，就等於被不肖商家吃掉，為維護打算再增加四人。

上海查獲非法**發票**交易(中央社台北二十七日電)香港報導，上海工商執法人員查獲一批非法**發票**交易市場，當場搗獲多名票販。用三元「人民幣」買來一張空白非法**發票**，任意填寫金額便可回去報假賬；而

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台省各縣市舉辦統一發票宣導活動(中央社中興新村二日電)本月份購物時別忘了索取統一發票。臺灣省各縣市正舉辦統一發票宣導，民眾可蒐集金額新台幣二千元以上的**發票**，向稅捐單位領取紀念品。省稅務局聯合各縣市稅捐處，將在農曆年過年前，共同舉辦多項統一發票宣導活動，除可繼續提醒民眾保持購物索取**發票**的習慣外

# WordSketch's Approach: From Lexical Types to Relations Types

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- BNC has 100,000,000 Words
  - 939,028 word types
  - 70,000,000 tuples (relations) Extracted
  - More than 70 relations per lemma
- For CWS II, and CGW corpus (CNA data)
  - 1,917,093 word Types
  - 59,183,238 tuples (<eat, obj, rice>)
  - More than 30 relations per lemma

# Linguistic Knowledge in Use

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Example tuple (<eat, obj, rice>)

- Challenge: Long-distance relations

- 全穀麵包，吃了很健康。

*quan.gu mian.bao, chi le hen jian.kang*

- 有人嘗試要將這荷花分類，卻越分越累。

*you ren chang.shi yao jiang zhe he.hua fen.lei,  
que yue fen yue lei*

- 他 只 吃 了 一 口 飯 ...

*Ta zhi chi le yi kou fan*

# Applying Linguistic Knowledge in Processing

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## Knowledge Source

- Information-based Case Grammar (ICG, Chen and Huang 1992)
- Encoded on over 40,000 verbs in Sinica Lexicon
  - ICG Basic Patterns for Stative Pseudo-transitive Verb (VI)
    - EXPERIENCER<GOAL[PP[對]]<VI
    - EXPERIENCER<VI<<GOAL[PP[於]]
    - THEME<GOAL[PP{對、以}]<VI
    - THEME<VI<<GOAL[PP[於]]
    - THEME<VI<<SOURCE[PP{自、於}]
    - THEME<SOURCE[PP{歸、爲}]<VI

# Linguistic Knowledge in Action

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- 村莊(object) 明天將 被 夷為平地(VB11)

*cunzhuang mingtian jiang bei yiweipingdi*

- begin time1 location time1 adv? passive\_prep adv\_string  
1:"V[BCJ].\*" [tag!="DE"]

- 大量的 遊客 破壞(VC2) 公園 景觀(object)

*daliang de youke pohuai gongyuan jingguan*

- 1:"VC.\*)" (particle|prep)? NP not\_noun
- (NP is defined as "...noun\_modifier{0,2} 2:noun...").

# WordSketch Example: 「發票invoice」

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### Word Sketch Differences Entry Form

Corpus: chinese\_all\_trd

First lemma: 明星

Second lemma: 演員

Sort grammatical relations:

Separate blocks:  all in one block  common/exclusive blocks

Minimum frequency: 1

Maximum number of items in a grammatical relation of the common block: 25

Maximum number of items in a grammatical relation of the exclusive block: 12

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# 明星/演員 chinese\_all\_trd freq = 23923/23213

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## Common patterns

明星 21 14 7 0 -7 -14 -21 **演員**

**a modifier** 1729 4116 1.7 4.2

著名	84	738	39.0	70.4
武打	65	14	62.6	31.1
老牌	42	110	44.5	56.4
資深	6	237	11.2	53.5
知名	29	232	26.7	52.4
當紅	43	30	49.4	38.7
大	468	19	46.6	5.1
年輕	8	136	13.3	43.8
最佳	27	135	23.2	39.5
小	38	232	20.5	37.9
老	21	112	19.6	35.5
眾多	44	16	33.8	17.5
一流	9	22	18.5	25.4
名	11	198	4.6	25.3
新一代	12	13	22.9	20.6
已故	11	7	22.5	14.9

**measure** 688 1532 1.1 2.5

位	310	576	50.3	54.0
名	79	617	26.4	50.4
批	13	39	17.3	25.7
個	79	159	21.3	23.9
屆	13	7	12.6	5.7
場	11	5	12.5	4.9
次	9	17	8.1	9.5

**possessor** 459 921 1.0 2.1

知名度	6	10	17.6	21.1
國家	9	26	4.8	8.6

**and/or** 336 1517 0.4 1.7

導演	11	381	21.3	68.4
歌星	16	50	32.2	42.6
歌手	7	50	17.0	34.8
藝術家	6	36	15.5	30.3

**n\_modifier** 13964 9897 1.6 1.2

大牌	162	13	57.7	21.6
偶像	297	8	57.1	11.7
喜劇	50	144	33.8	52.8
影視	248	64	50.8	32.3
好萊塢	190	70	50.5	37.0
新生代	25	133	24.0	50.3
男	41	355	16.1	46.6
演技派	31	37	39.8	44.5
歌仔戲	11	83	15.4	42.6
芭蕾舞	7	63	13.6	42.5
青年	26	564	5.4	41.7
舞蹈	12	214	7.9	41.4
電影	343	301	38.5	39.4
歌劇	11	64	13.4	35.2
男女	28	112	14.1	31.7
女	234	18	30.9	7.2



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場	11	5	12.5	4.9
次	9	17	8.1	9.5
<b>possessor</b>	459	921	1.0	2.1
知名度	6	10	17.6	21.1
國家	9	26	4.8	8.6
<b>and/or</b>	336	1517	0.4	1.7
導演	11	381	21.3	68.4
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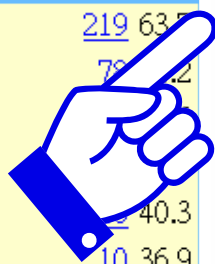
**"演員" only patterns**

possession 693 1.6	subject_of 3924 1.6	n_modifier 9897 1.2	modifies 8784 1.0
演技 <a href="#">15</a> 33.7	謝幕 <a href="#">20</a> 44.9	京劇 <a href="#">246</a> 53.7	郎雄 <a href="#">51</a> 50.1
演出 <a href="#">18</a> 21.9	擔綱 <a href="#">33</a> 41.7	一級 <a href="#">424</a> 50.8	李康生 <a href="#">29</a> 42.4
手 <a href="#">21</a> 21.8	親切 <a href="#">23</a> 30.1	相聲 <a href="#">120</a> 50.4	柯俊雄 <a href="#">29</a> 42.3
功力 <a href="#">6</a> 20.8	跳起 <a href="#">11</a> 29.5	實力派 <a href="#">71</a> 49.1	金士傑 <a href="#">22</a> 39.9
服裝 <a href="#">13</a> 19.6	演戲 <a href="#">9</a> 29.4	雜技 <a href="#">129</a> 48.5	柯受良 <a href="#">21</a> 37.7
積極性 <a href="#">9</a> 17.6	演 <a href="#">22</a> 29.1	替身 <a href="#">33</a> 43.7	胡軍 <a href="#">18</a> 36.6
特質 <a href="#">5</a> 15.9	握手 <a href="#">19</a> 28.2	特技 <a href="#">92</a> 43.1	姜昆 <a href="#">19</a> 36.0
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角色 <a href="#">8</a> 14.4	清唱 <a href="#">8</a> 24.4	話劇 <a href="#">59</a> 38.1	戴立忍 <a href="#">19</a> 34.2
技巧 <a href="#">5</a> 13.8	拍戲 <a href="#">6</a> 24.3	舞台劇 <a href="#">45</a> 37.4	楊呈偉 <a href="#">14</a> 33.9
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object_of 1535 0.7
獨唱 <a href="#">50</a> 54.1
客串 <a href="#">22</a> 41.9
演 <a href="#">23</a> 34.0

**"明星" only patterns**

a_modifier 1729 1.7	n_modifier 13964 1.6	modifies 13046 1.4	possession 506 1.1
超級 219 63.7	籃球 433 46.3	球員 1095 59.7	風采 26 37.4
演藝 78 45.2	職籃 179 45.6	對抗賽 346 59.3	架子 12 32.2
美式 78 45.2	足球 675 44.9	聯隊 301 54.2	架勢 10 32.1
耀眼 78 45.2	職棒 232 43.0	排名賽 108 49.0	搖籃 12 30.2
閃亮 40.3	卡通 99 41.9	辛浦森 56 48.4	名字 12 24.4
過氣 10 36.9	夢幻 68 40.8	籃球隊 167 46.9	架式 5 23.8
超冷 5 30.6	網球 293 39.2	馬拉杜納 30 43.0	丰采 5 21.8
三棲 6 29.8	抗癌 50 34.9	白隊 47 41.2	光環 5 20.2
佳 21 29.3	偶像級 16 34.7	後衛 141 40.0	魅力 7 18.7
頭號 19 27.0	恆康 15 34.7	前鋒 149 38.8	照片 9 18.5
溫 12 24.9	演藝圈 36 33.8	馬拉多納 39 38.4	故事 7 16.3
簡 10 24.6	演藝界 34 33.8	王貞治 30 37.8	青少年 6 10.7



measure 688 1.1	possessor 459 1.0	subject_of 2280 0.9	object_of 1536 0.7
類 79 51.3	世界級 11 25.3	薈萃 53 49.3	啓 44 48.8
隻 7 15.8	名氣 5 19.9	雲集 36 39.5	崇拜 19 34.0
路 6 10.8	比賽 21 17.1	三缺一 8 37.4	棲 11 33.2
所 15 10.2	聯隊 6 16.9	開店 12 34.6	考上 16 31.8
家 7 8.2	氣 5 14.3	評選 26 32.8	服務 93 29.0

# Mining Cross-Strait Lexical Difference

- **Strategy: Using a pair of know contrasting words as seeds and lookup SketchDifference**
  - Clinton 克林頓 ke4 Vs. 柯林頓 ke1
- **What is found: Other unique translation for either PRC or Taiwan**
- **克林頓 (PRC) only and/or patterns (vs柯林頓 only)**

葉利欽 <u>88</u> 54.6 Yeltin	葉爾勤 (3)
布什 <u>65</u> 49.7 Bush	布希 (4)
萊溫斯基 <u>10</u> 41.3 Lewinsky	呂茵斯基 / 呂女 (1)
戈爾 <u>20</u> 39.4 Gore	高爾 (2)

# The question is,

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- What are we (linguists) going to do with so much data
- How to analyze and map it promptly

# How to avoid getting deleted II

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■ **I have theory, fancy theory!**

*And some linguistic generalizations  
too.*

# Grammatical Theories: A Selective Survey

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- Early Influences
- Structuralism
- (Mainstream) Chomskyan Generative Grammars
- Other Generative Grammars
- 'Functional' Grammars

# Grammatical Theories: Early Influences

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- Rene Descarts's rationalism (what Chomsky calls 'Cartesian Linguistics')
  - Generalizations about the world can only be proved by rational reasoning (the famous *Cogito ergo sum* 'I think, therefore I am.'
- The Young Grammarian of Leipzig in the 19th century (The Neogrammarians, German *Junggrammatiker*)
  - Regularity of sound changes
  - No exception tot grammatical rules



# Grammatical Theories: Structuralism

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- De Saussure: The Sign/Signified Dichotomy
- American Structuralism: Jespersen, Bloomfield
  - Parallel development of Relativism
- European Structuralism
  - The Prague Circle
  - Dependency, Theme/Rheme

# Grammatical Theories: (Mainstream) Chomskyan Generative Grammars

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- Early Transformational Grammar
  - Derivational rules: D- and S-Structure
  - Island Conditions
- Generative Semantics
  - Kill = cause to die [with structural description]
- Government and Binding: Parameter setting
- The Minimalist Program
  - Principle and Parameter

# Grammatical Theories: Other Generative Grammars

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- Relational Grammar: David Perlmutter
  - 1, 2, 3 and Chomeur
- Case Grammar: Charles Fillmore
  - Agent, Patient, etc.
  - FrameNet, and Construction Grammar
- GPSG: Generalized Phrase Structure Grammar: Gazdar, Klein, Sag, Pullem

# Grammatical Theories: Other Generative Grammars II

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- Head-driven Phrase Structure Grammar (HPSG): Pollard and Sag
  - Derived from GPSG
- Lexical-functional Grammar (LFG): Bresnan, Kaplan
- Tree-Adjoin Grammar: Joshi
- Categorical Grammar: Montague Semantics
  - Categorical Unification Grammar

# Grammatical Theories: Functional Grammars

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- ?Construction Grammar: Goldberg, Fillmore, Kay
- ?Role and Reference Grammar: Van Valin
- Cognitive Grammar: Langacker

# Back to the Basics: What can a grammatical theory explain

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*Aristotle's four causes of reason and  
Pustejovsky's generative lexicon*

- The qualia structure of linguistic theory
  - Formal
  - Constitutive
  - Agentive
  - Telic

# Linguistics: Systematic knowledge of language

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- What is in the system?
  - Formal: from Sign to Structure, **Structuralism**
  - Constitutive: from IA to IP, rule and transformation based theories **PS Grammars, TGs, Case Grammar, GPSG, LFG** etc.
  - Agentive: How grammar come to being, UG approaches **GB/PP, Evolution of language**
  - Telic: Function and Use based Theories

# Why is My Theory Deleted?

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- None of the existing theory attempt to account for all aspects of language use
- Most are designed to explain only one aspect or two
- Linguists often uses arguments from one aspect to 'delete' other theories which are NOT designed to account for that aspect



# How can we save the theories from deletion?

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- There must be an underlying and unifying premise motivating all four aspects
- Which will allow synergy and integration of theories with different perspectives
- I propose that the premise is Language and a Knowledge System
  - Which is shared by all aspects

# Towards Language as Knowledge System

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- A complete theory to account for language as an integral sum of the four aspects.
- Atoms of knowledge : lexicalized concepts
- 'frames' of knowledge : lexical semantic relations
- Instantiation of knowledge : corpus

# Examples of our approach to a language's knowledge system

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- **Two Verbs of Ingestion: chi1吃 vs. he1喝**  
(Huang and Hong 2006, Hong et al. 2007)
- **The Shakespearean Garden approach to Tang Poem** (Huang et al. 2004)
- **Other On-going Work**
  - **Conventionalized Ontology of Chinese Writing System**
  - **From Basic Lexicon to Linguistic Ontology**

# What can direct human experience tell us about conceptualization?

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- Direct human experience is more concrete and involves less abstraction
  - Hence may allow more idiosyncrasies
- The introduction of a larger corpus and more powerful tool also allows us to obtain a finer grained picture of the collocational patterns
  - Beyond the liquid/solid food contrast

# Data Collection and Processing

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- Extract all instances of *chi1* and *he1* from the tagged Chinese Gigaword Corpus (*53,654 chi1, 19,561 he1*)
- Use Chinese Word Sketch to extract and rank saliency of all collocating grammatical patterns
- Use SketchDiff to compare the gram. patterns of these two verbs

# Initial Observations: 吃 vs. 喝

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- *Chi1* takes solid objects
  - e.g. fruit, food, dinner
- *He1* takes liquid objects
  - e.g. tea, coffee, wine
- This should offer a classical case of selectional restriction
- Corpus data: many significant counter-examples
  - *chi1 nai3 shui3* (to eat milk)
  - *he1 xi1 fan4* (to drink porridge)

# Chi1 'eat' only patterns

## "吃" only patterns

SentObject_of 3859 7.2		Modifier 13757 4.5		Subject 11519 4.3		Object 33038 3.7	
愁	<a href="#">103</a> 57.9	倒	<a href="#">128</a> 41.6	飯	<a href="#">718</a> 78.7	敗仗	<a href="#">326</a> 72.3
講究	<a href="#">27</a> 32.5	津津有味	<a href="#">19</a> 36.8	啞巴	<a href="#">30</a> 42.0	晚飯	<a href="#">310</a> 71.6
嚐試	<a href="#">13</a> 26.5	怎麼	<a href="#">78</a> 35.0	最愛	<a href="#">72</a> 39.4	飯	<a href="#">802</a> 71.0
忌	<a href="#">8</a> 25.9	硬	<a href="#">41</a> 32.5	柿子	<a href="#">27</a> 33.5	定心丸	<a href="#">211</a> 68.0
寧可	<a href="#">16</a> 25.3	有得	<a href="#">20</a> 31.8	糰	<a href="#">45</a> 31.5	午飯	<a href="#">241</a> 67.5
捨得	<a href="#">11</a> 24.8	不用	<a href="#">47</a> 31.0	金飯碗	<a href="#">14</a> 31.5	大鍋飯	<a href="#">245</a> 66.6
擔心	<a href="#">46</a> 24.1	按時	<a href="#">35</a> 29.4	全家	<a href="#">44</a> 31.1	閉門羹	<a href="#">173</a> 66.5
拒絕	<a href="#">45</a> 22.9	常年	<a href="#">28</a> 27.4	魚	<a href="#">73</a> 30.0	年夜飯	<a href="#">270</a> 65.8
寧願	<a href="#">11</a> 21.2	該	<a href="#">47</a> 25.2	東西	<a href="#">78</a> 29.4	狗肉	<a href="#">190</a> 61.5
討厭	<a href="#">7</a> 21.0	年年	<a href="#">24</a> 24.5	啞吧	<a href="#">11</a> 29.4	肉	<a href="#">488</a> 60.1
忘	<a href="#">13</a> 20.8	一律	<a href="#">31</a> 23.3	們同	<a href="#">10</a> 29.2	虧	<a href="#">329</a> 59.2
記得	<a href="#">12</a> 20.3	著實	<a href="#">13</a> 23.3	金碗	<a href="#">9</a> 27.7	頓飯	<a href="#">84</a> 59.2

PP_在 165 1.5		Modifies 1527 0.1	
工地	<a href="#">17</a> 32.3	東西	<a href="#">109</a> 47.6

# He1 'drink' only patterns

## "喝" only patterns

SentObject_of 1065 4.9			Object 16684 4.6			Modifier 4501 3.7			Subject 3235 3.0		
涉	<u>8</u>	17.7	花酒	<u>666</u>	90.8	厲聲	<u>13</u>	35.5	開水	<u>19</u>	32.3
盛行	<u>5</u>	17.6	咖啡	<u>969</u>	74.3	猛	<u>17</u>	21.5	口水	<u>16</u>	30.0
疑	<u>5</u>	15.0	啤酒	<u>421</u>	58.5	成天	<u>5</u>	19.7	胡吃海	<u>5</u>	28.5
			下午茶	<u>101</u>	57.1	獨自	<u>7</u>	16.8	馬永成	<u>7</u>	19.9
			白開水	<u>67</u>	54.3	有沒有	<u>7</u>	16.7	蕭敦仁	<u>5</u>	19.3
			口水	<u>114</u>	52.5	一口	<u>5</u>	16.2	友人	<u>17</u>	18.9
			開水	<u>108</u>	51.2	盡情	<u>6</u>	15.9	校長	<u>30</u>	18.1
			杯	<u>237</u>	50.3	其實	<u>5</u>	13.0	自來水	<u>17</u>	17.7
			飲料	<u>283</u>	49.6	太	<u>7</u>	12.8	粥	<u>5</u>	17.6
			紅酒	<u>83</u>	49.6	難免	<u>5</u>	12.7	督學	<u>6</u>	15.8
			花酒案	<u>33</u>	49.3	總共	<u>5</u>	9.0	牛奶	<u>7</u>	15.8
			綠茶	<u>88</u>	48.7	並	<u>12</u>	3.6	檢察官	<u>20</u>	14.8
<b>Modifies 306 0.1</b>											
水	<u>44</u>	34.5									
飲料	<u>15</u>	28.6									



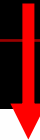
# Significant Contrast Among Shared Grammatical Patterns

吃/喝 chinese\_all\_trd\_test freq = 53654/19561

Common patterns

吃	21	14	7	0	-7	-14	-21	喝
Object	33038	16684	3.7	4.6	Modifier	13757	4501	4.5 3.7
酒	<u>13</u>	<u>5198</u>	7.5	106.9	少	<u>440</u>	<u>95</u>	65.6 46.5
茶	<u>7</u>	<u>825</u>	7.0	75.5	多	<u>1289</u>	<u>304</u>	61.7 46.6
藥	<u>1558</u>	<u>8</u>	73.0	7.3	同	<u>384</u>	<u>5</u>	52.2 7.4
牛奶	<u>24</u>	<u>380</u>	19.4	65.0	不	<u>1885</u>	<u>909</u>	45.7 45.1
春酒	<u>5</u>	<u>119</u>	13.6	63.0	一起	<u>317</u>	<u>159</u>	44.1 42.0
東西	<u>639</u>	<u>16</u>	53.3	11.1	大口	<u>5</u>	<u>24</u>	17.6 44.1
食物	<u>610</u>	<u>6</u>	52.9	5.0	常	<u>198</u>	<u>94</u>	43.3 39.7
喜酒	<u>6</u>	<u>43</u>	17.7	48.8	天天	<u>76</u>	<u>23</u>	42.8 30.9
奶	<u>160</u>	<u>106</u>	46.5	44.6	沒	<u>307</u>	<u>79</u>	42.8 31.2
頓	<u>167</u>	<u>5</u>	43.9	8.0	邊	<u>145</u>	<u>27</u>	41.7 25.1
稀飯	<u>47</u>	<u>23</u>	41.5	33.9	連	<u>179</u>	<u>20</u>	41.1 19.4
水	<u>16</u>	<u>320</u>	2.4	35.5	只	<u>363</u>	<u>128</u>	37.0 31.1
習慣	<u>181</u>	<u>165</u>	31.5	35.3	不要	<u>214</u>	<u>110</u>	36.8 35.3
碗	<u>75</u>	<u>19</u>	35.2	21.4	給他	<u>54</u>	<u>10</u>	34.9 18.9
奶水	<u>18</u>	<u>20</u>	29.8	34.3	不能	<u>258</u>	<u>71</u>	34.3 25.3
母奶	<u>24</u>	<u>20</u>	32.3	32.7	著	<u>177</u>	<u>36</u>	34.0 21.2

# CWS analysis



	More usage for 「chi1」	Common usage	More usage for 「he1」
<b>object:</b>	yao4 (medicine) 、 dong1 · xi1 (foodstuff) 、 shi2 · wu4 (foodstuff)...	xi1 · fan4 (porridge) 、 xi3 · ju3 (wedding banquet) 、 nai3 · shui3 (milk) 、 leng3 · yin3 (cooling drink)...	ju3 (wine) 、 cha2 (tea) 、 ku3 · shui3 (complaints)...

**Table 1: The common patterns for *chi1*'eat' and *he1*'drink'**

# Why Classical Selectional Restriction Theory Fails

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- Selectional restriction: verb selects objects with desirable features
  - The features: [+/- food], [+/- solid], [+/- liquid]
- The collocational patterns extracted from Chinese Word Sketch suggests otherwise
- Neutralized selection: Metaphorical and metonymic extensions point to the inadequacy of a feature checking account

# Xi1-Fan4 (Porridge)

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- Porridge: A kind of food
- The patient: Both [+solid] and [+liquid] substances
- The role type is ambivalent
- It contains two important ingredients: Rice (solid) in soup (liquid)

# Xi3-Jiu3 (Wedding Banquet)

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- Wedding Banquet: A metonymical extension
- Metaphorical: Eventive and coerced
  - From entity-type patient to event-type patient
  - [+solid] and [+liquid] attributes inherited
- Include sub-events of eating solid food and drinking wine

# Nai3-Shui3 (Milk)

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- Interesting Fact: The neutralization of chi1/he1 milk depends on the subject. It is possible only when subject is an infant or small child
  - Contrary to the common believe that subjects play no roles in selectional restriction
- The solid/liquid food contrast is a direct human experience after a child is weaned
- MARVS theory
  - *chi1/he1 nai3 shui3* subject-internal attributes
  - The Agent Role: [INGEST OBJECT [+/- Solid]]

# Shakespearean-garden Approach to Specific Ontology: Tang Poems

唐詩三百首文本超過 150,000 字

- 全部斷詞並分類
- 整理出三個不同領域的詞表（共計176個詞種）
  - 動物（64 個詞種）
  - 植物（59個詞種）
  - 人造物（53個詞種）

[bow.sinica.edu.tw/ont/ts300\\_ont.html](http://bow.sinica.edu.tw/ont/ts300_ont.html)

# 唐詩三百首領域詞彙庫示例- 動物的知識架構

水棲哺乳動物 \*No marine mammals

有蹄哺乳動物 馬 牛 羊 駱駝 斑驢 鹿

有袋類 \*No marsupials

肉食性動物 羆 熊

犬科動物 狼 豺 犬

貓科動物 猯 lynx 貔 虎 tiger

齧齒動物 鼯 蝙蝠

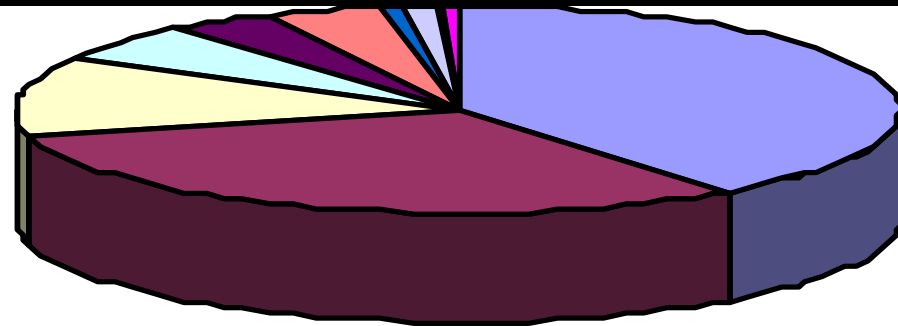
靈長類

猿 猿 猩

猴 獠 macaque



# 唐詩三百首中動物概念的分佈



bird(38.64%)

insect(11.82%)

feline(4.09%)

rodent(0.91%)

arachnid(0.45%)

hoofed mammal(30.91%)

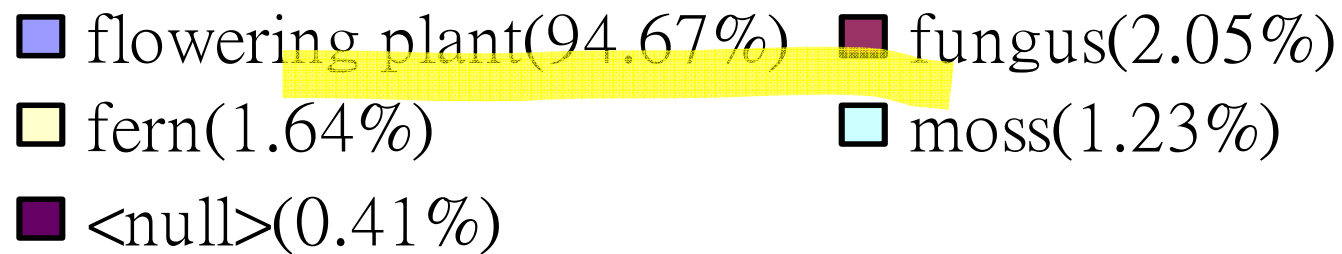
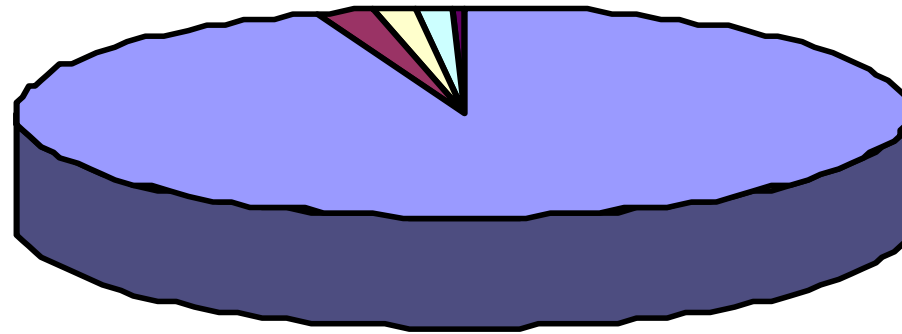
ape(5.45%)

canine(4.09%)

carnivore(0.91%)

fish(0.45%)

# 唐詩三百首中植物概念的分佈



# Knowledge Inferred from the Animal Ontology of Tang Poems

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- 沒有有帶類動物（如袋鼠等）
  - 19世紀才在澳洲發現
- 沒看到海生哺乳動物/有眾多的偶蹄類動物
  - 唐文化以陸上活動為主，並以馬為重要活動工具
- 哺乳動物中鳥類佔及大部分/無脊椎動物中只有昆蟲，沒有其他類

唐文化醉心於飛的意念（如：飛天）

[無脊椎動物中只有昆蟲有翅膀。]

# Conclusion I: Linguistic Insights

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## Corpus as Evidence

- Corpora greatly extend linguists' range of observations
  - Even across the barrier of time
- Language as a living organism allows variations and adaptations (the evolutionary view)
- The coherence of language is the shared tendency of all users
- Distributional data in corpus lead to discovery of these shared tendencies
  - This should be more valuable than incidental example

# Conclusion II: Theoretical Relevance

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## Language as a Knowledge System

- The **generative lexicalist** approach to grammar: language as a knowledge system
- All aspects of Language are projected from a unified knowledge system
- Linguists need to make our theoretical account relevant to the world of knowledge and use, not vice versa
  - **Failing to do so will get us/our theories deleted**