

# The PAISA' Project

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HLT for Italian Workshop

# PAISA'

Coming soon at [www.corpusitaliano.it](http://www.corpusitaliano.it)

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# Goals

- ▶ Build and annotate Web-derived “reference” corpus of Italian language
- ▶ Innovative corpus visualization and exploration tools
- ▶ Applications in Italian language and culture teaching

# The WaCky initiative

<http://wacky.sslmit.unibo.it>

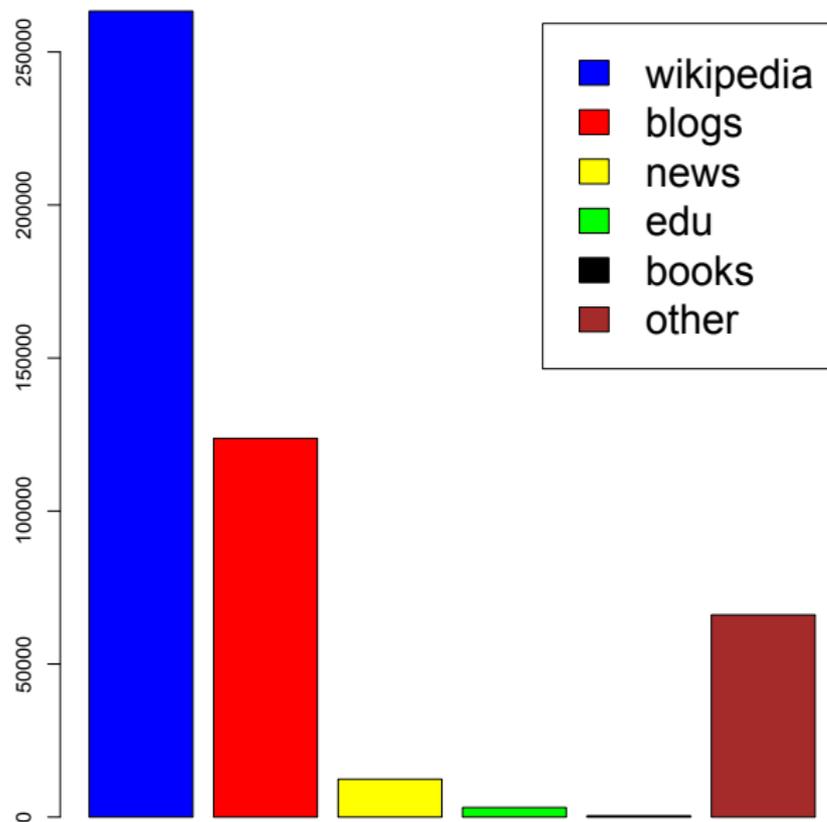
- ▶ Very large Web-crawled, automatically cleaned and annotated corpora for English, French, German and Italian (2005-2009)
- ▶ Lessons learnt:
  - ▶ Copyright
  - ▶ Corpus composition
  - ▶ Cleaning
  - ▶ Annotating Web text

# Copyright

- ▶ PAISA' corpus constructed by crawling Web pages published under CreativeCommons License only:
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- ▶ Same licensing propagates to PAISA' corpus

# Corpus composition

470K documents



# Web cleaning:

## The boilerplate problem

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https://krdwd.org/pages/dat/test/irput/000.html

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Suche nach: Ein schweres Erdbeben der Stärke 7,8 hat 80 Prozent aller Häuser der chinesischen Provinz Sichuan zerstört. Verschütteten

Sex And The City: Bald kommt "Sex And The City" in die deutschen Kinos. Schon jetzt überschlagen sich die Spekulationen.

Baltesches Meer: Saftiges Grün in Nordirland und kleine Kanäle in Venedig. So schön ist Europa aus dem All.

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# Web cleaning on steroids: krdwrdr

Cues from text

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General Ratings Page

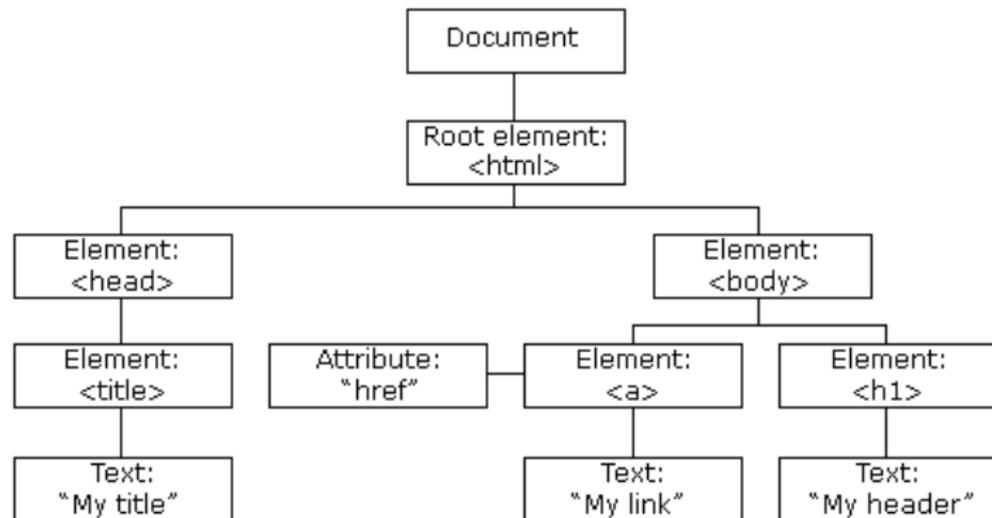
One true sign of a truly great band is when said band ardently defies categorisation, that is, when for every "well, they sound like this reggae-influenced heavy metal band playing avantgarde bebop" remark you can have yourself a "funny, I thought they were this raw punk outfit doing acoustic folk" counterproposal. And I don't simply mean "being diverse" here, I mean "being different". Blazing off every colour of the spectrum. Baring one's soul in all of its existing aspects. That sort of thing.

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# Web cleaning on steroids: `krdwrdr`

Cues from the DOM tree (figure from <http://www.w3schools.com/>)





# Web cleaning on steroids

Cross-validation on gold standard

	<i>features</i>	<i>precision</i>	<i>recall</i>	<i>F</i>
<i>wacky heuristics</i>	NA	80%	99%	88%
<i>text cues only</i>	21	92%	93%	92%
<i>DOM cues only</i>	13	89%	91%	90%
<i>visual cues only</i>	8	90%	93%	91%
<i>full krdwr</i>	42	93%	92%	92%

# Corpus comparison

- ▶ ITWAC: 1.9B tokens
- ▶ PAISA': 700M tokens
- ▶ La Repubblica: 380M tokens

# PAISA' vs. La Repubblica

## nouns

## verbs

## adjs

<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>Rep.</i>	<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>Rep.</i>	<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>Rep.</i>
punto	miliardo	registrare	dire	informatico	scorso
blog	anno	pubblicare	chiedere	simile	politico
commento	presidente	leggere	andare	esterno	pubblico
settembre	governo	segnare	spiegare	hi-tech	primo
guida	ministro	inserire	arrivare	opzionale	stesso
articolo	lira	riservare	restare	famoso	grande
galleria	paese	inviare	parlare	successivo	generale
video	giorno	usare	sembrare	gay	finanziario
set	partito	contattare	cominciare	digitale	americano
pubblicità	stato	mostrare	mettere	bello	lungo

# PAISA' vs. ITWAC

## nouns

<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>ITWAC</i>
punto	numero
blog	articolo
commento	legge
guida	comma
settembre	servizio
galleria	lavoro
set	presidente
video	decreto
pubblicità	commissione
e-mail	caso

## verbs

<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>ITWAC</i>
registrare	svolgere
pubblicare	chiedere
segnare	ritenere
leggere	presentare
riservare	dire
commentare	tenere
mostrare	riguardare
contattare	andare
continuare	consentire
deselezionare	prevedere

## adjs

<i>PAISA'</i>	<i>ITWAC</i>
ultimo	pubblico
pubblicitario	regionale
hi-tech	presente
simile	sociale
opzionale	previsto
esterno	nazionale
informatico	necessario
famoso	generale
nuovo	seguito
grande	legislativo

# Ongoing work

- ▶ Annotation (POS tagging, dependency parsing...)
- ▶ Classification by genre and topic
- ▶ Visualization, user-friendly interface
- ▶ E-mail me ([marco.baroni@unitn.it](mailto:marco.baroni@unitn.it)) if you want a copy of the raw corpus!