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1 Product

The NEGRA corpus, version 2.0, consists of approximately 355,000 tokens (20,000 sentences) of German newspaper text, taken from the Frankfurter Rundschau as contained in the CD "Multilingual Corpus 1" of the European Corpus Initiative. 60,000 tokens were annotated with parts-of-speech at the Institut für maschinelle Sprachverarbeitung, Stuttgart. The rest, 295,000 tokens, were annotated with parts-of-speech in projects NEGRA (DFG Sonderforschungsbereich 378, Projekt C3) and LINC (Universität des Saarlandes) in Saarbrücken. The complete corpus was annotated with syntactic structures in NEGRA and LINC.

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1. Universität Stuttgart, Institut für maschinelle Sprachverarbeitung, for part-of-speech annotations of the first 60,000 tokens.
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2 Pre-Condition

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LICENSER hereby informs USER that the distributed version of the NEGRA corpus is work in progress, and despite that large efforts are spent on removing annotation errors, some of them still remain in the corpus.

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