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# Multi-layer textual representation of pre-modern primary sources

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# Diplomatic or interpretative? *Print editions*

## Interpretive edition MS A

Nel mezzo del camin di nostra vita  
mi ritrovai per una selva oscura,

## Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL Meço delcamin din(ost)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

# Diplomatic edition

## *Collation*

### Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL Meço delcamin din(ost)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

### Diplomatic edition MS B

nel mezzo del camin di nsã uita  
mi ritrouai p una selua oscura

# Diplomatic edition

## *Collation*

### **Diplomatic edition MS A**

NEL Meço delcamin din(ost)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

### **Diplomatic edition MS B**

nel mezo del camín di nsã uita  
mi ritrouai p una selua oscura

# Diplomatic edition

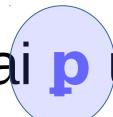
## *Collation*

### Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL Meço delcamin din(**ost**)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai **p(er)** vna selua oscura .

### Diplomatic edition MS B

nel mezzo del cam̄in di **nsā** uita  
mi ritrouai **p** una selua oscura



# Diplomatic edition

## *Collation*

### Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL Meço **delcamin din(ost)ra** . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

### Diplomatic edition MS B

nel mezzo **del camin di nsā** uita  
mi ritrouai p una selua oscura



# Diplomatic edition

## *Collation*

### Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL Meço delcamin din(ost)ra . **uita**  
mi ritrouuai p(er) **vna selua** oscura .

### Diplomatic edition MS B

nel mezzo del cañin di nsã **uita**  
mi ritrouuai p(**una**) **selua** oscura



# Diplomatic edition

## *Collation*

### Diplomatic edition MS A

NEL **Meço** delcamin din(ost)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

### Diplomatic edition MS B

nel **mezo** del cañin di nsā uita  
mi ritrouai p una selua oscura

# Diplomatic edition

## *Cross-corpus textual search*

Diplomatic edition

**MS A - Divine Comedy**

NEL **Meço** delcamin din(ost)ra . uita

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .



Diplomatic edition

**MS A - Guittone, Dolcezza alcuna...**

e lo dolor per mezzo il volto appare



# Diplomatic edition Tools (*lemmatization* etc.)

Diplomatic edition

*MS A - Divine Comedy*

NEL **Meço** delcamin din(ost)ra . uita  
mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .



# Diplomatic edition Issues

- Collation among testimonies of the same work
- Cross-corpus textual search
- Tools for textual analysis (lemmatization etc.)

# Multi-layer edition

- Collation
- Cross-corpus textual search
- Tools

MS A

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

MS B

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

MS A

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

MS B

mi ritrouai p una selua oscura

# Multi-layer edition

- Collation
  - *Paleografical* variants

MS A

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

MS B

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

MS A

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

MS B

mi ritrouai p una selua oscura



# Multi-layer edition

- Collation
  - Paleografical variants
  - Linguistic variants

MS A

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

MS Z

mi ritrovai **in** una selva oscura

MS A

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

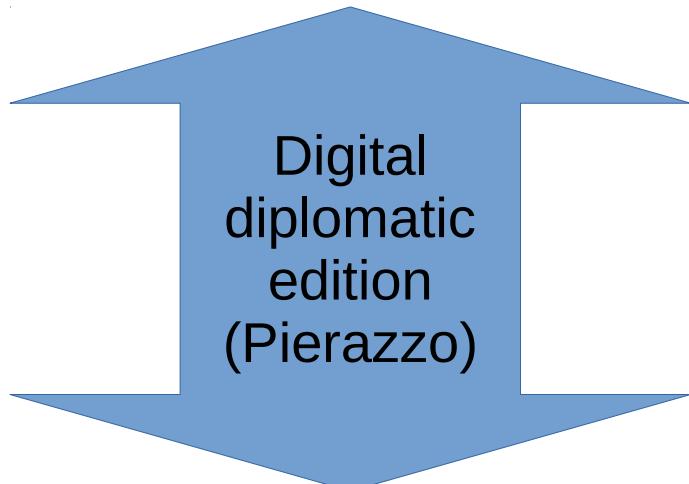
MS Z

mi ritrouai **in** una selua oscura

# Multi-layer edition

MS A

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura



Digital  
diplomatic  
edition  
(Pierazzo)

MS A

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

# Multi-layer edition

MSA

mi ritrovai per una selva oscura

Linguistic sub-system

MSA

mi ritrouai p(er) vna selua oscura .

Sub-systems  
(Orlandi)

Graphical sub-system

# Multi-layer edition

## *Vercelli Book*



HWæt Interpretative

MS A

bWæt Diplomatic

# Multi-layer edition

## *Vercelli Book*

The Digital Vercelli Book beta

Magnifier HotSpot TextLink DOTS

DOTR 104v Diplomatic

7 **b**Wæt ic swefna cýjt secgan wylle hæt mege mætte  
8 to midre nihte syðan reord berend reste wunedon.  
9 þuhte me þæt ic ge þawe þyllicre treow onlyft  
10 lædan leohte be wunden beama beorhtoþ eall þæt  
11 beacen wæſt be goten mid golde gimmaſ stodon fægere  
12 æt foldan sceatum . swylce þær fife wæron uppe  
13 onþam eaxle ge þpanne be heoldon þær engel dryht  
14 neſt ealle fægere þurh forð ge sceaf newæſt ðærhuru  
15 fracodeſ gealga . ȝchine þær beheoldon halige gaſtar  
16 men ofer moldan ȝeall þeoſt mære ge sceaf ;  
17 Syllic wæſt je ſige beam ȝic þynnū fāh for wunded  
18 mid wommū ge seah ic wuldref treow. wædum geweor  
19 ȝode wynnū scinan ge gyred mid golde gimmaſ hæfdon  
20 be wrigene weorðlice wealdes treow ; hwæðre ic  
21 þurh þæt gold ongytan meahte earmra ærgewin  
22 þæt hit ærest ongan swætan on ba swiðran healf

1:1 27%

7 **b**Wæt ic swefna

<http://vbd.humnet.unipi.it/beta/#104v>

# Multi-layer edition *Vercelli Book*

The Digital Vercelli Book beta

The screenshot shows a digital edition of a page from the Vercelli Book. On the left is a photograph of the open manuscript. The right side displays a transcription of the text with numbered lines. A blue arrow points from the bottom of the page to a magnified view of line 7. A blue circle highlights the 'Interpretative' tab in the top navigation bar, which is currently selected. The tabs include 'Interpretative', 'Diplomatic', and 'Textual'. The transcription is as follows:

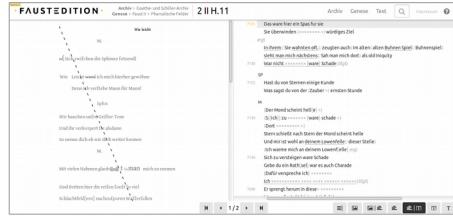
7 Hwæt ic swefna cyst secgan wylle hæt me gemætte  
8 to midre nihte syðan reordberend reste wunedon.  
9 þuhte me þæt ic gesawe syllicre treow on lyft  
10 lædan leohte bewunden beama beorhtost eall þæt  
11 beacen wæs begoten mid golde gimmas stodon fægere  
12 æt foldan sceatum . swylce þær fife weron uppe  
13 on þam eaxlegespanne beheoldon þær engel dryht  
14 nes ealle fægere þurh forgesceaft ne wæs ðær huru  
15 fracodes gealga . ac hine þær beheoldon halige gastas  
16 men ofer moldan and eall þeos mære geseaft .  
17 Syllic wæs se sigebeam and ic synnum fah forwunded  
18 mid wommum geseah ic wuldres treow. wædum geweor  
19 ðode wynnum scinan gegyred mid golde gimmas hæfdon  
20 bewrigene weorðlice wealdes treow . hwaðre ic  
21 þurh þæt gold ongytan meahte earmra ærgewin  
22 þæt hit ærest ongan swætan on þa swiðran healf

7 Hwæt ic swefna

<http://vbd.humnet.unipi.it/beta/#104v>

# Multi-layer edition

## *Faust-Edition*



sagst  
Textual

MS A

sagst  
Documentary

# Multi-layer edition

## *Faust-Edition*

beta 2 FAUST EDITION Archiv > Goethe- und Schiller-Archiv Genese > Faust II > Pharsalische Felder 2 II H.11

Wie leicht  
M.  
(Sich zwischen die Sphinxen setzend)  
Wie Leicht werd ich mich hierher gewöhne  
Denn ich verstehe Mann für Mann!  
Sphx  
Wir hauchen unfrä[che] Geister Tone  
Und ihr verkörpert fle alsdann  
So nenne dich eh wir dich weiter kennen  
M.  
Mit vielen Nahmen glaubt[est] sie man mich zu nennen  
Sind Britten hier die reisen sonst so viel  
Schlachtfeld[ern] nachzuspuren Wafferfallen

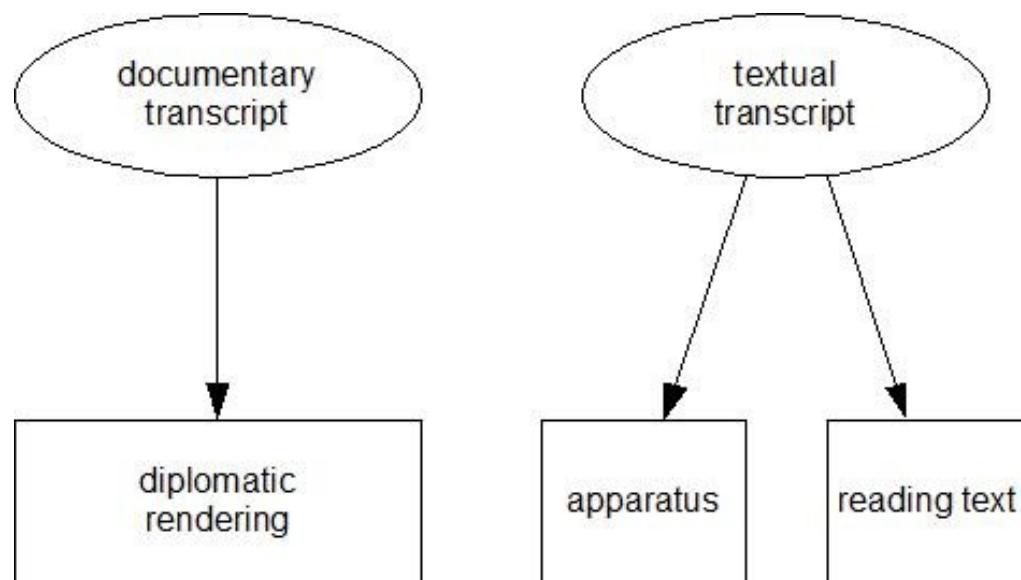
7121 Das ware hier ein Spas für sie  
Sie überwinden (xxxxxxxxx) würdiges Ziel  
erg)  
In ihrem(. Sie wahn[n]t oft.(: zeugten auch) Im alten alten Buhnen Spiel(.Buhnenspiel)  
sieht man mich nächstens(. Sah man mich dort) als old Iniquity  
7130 War nicht xxxxxxxx [ware] Schade(tilgt)

SP  
7125 Hast du von Sternen einige Kunde  
Was sagst du von der (Zauber >) ernsten Stunde

M  
7130 (Der Mond scheint hell(e) >  
(S{[ich]} zu xxxxxxxx [ware] schade >  
(Dort xxxxxxxxx >)  
Stern schießt nach Stern der Mond scheint helle  
Und mir ist wohl an deinem Lowenfelle(:dieser Stelle)  
(Ich warme mich an deinem Lowenf[elle] erg)  
7130 Sich zu versteigen ware Schade  
Gebe du ein Rath[sel] war es auch Charade  
{Dafür verspreche ich} xxxxxxxx  
Ich xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx(tilgt)  
7200 Er sprengt herum in diese x xxxxxxxx

# Multi-layer edition

## *Faust-Edition*

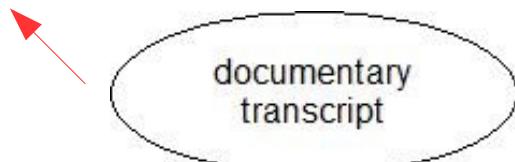


G. Brüning, K. Henzel, D. Pravida, *Multiple Encoding in Genetic Editions: The Case of "Faust"*  
<https://jtei.revues.org/697>  
<http://beta.faustedition.net>

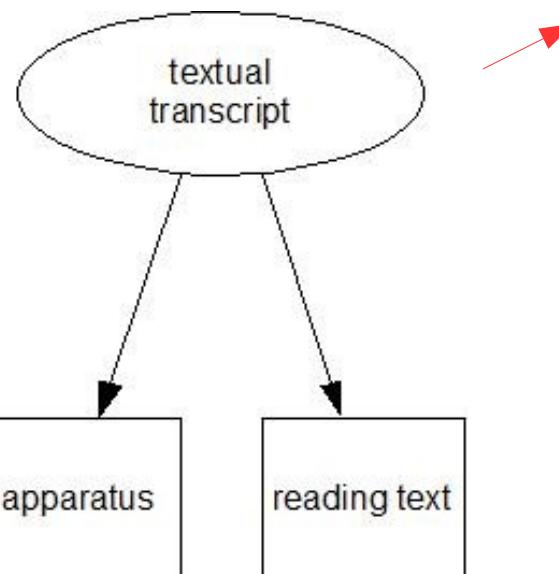
# Multi-layer edition

## *Faust-Edition*

Was sagst du von der Zauber ernsten Stunde



Was sagst du von der (Zauber >) ernsten Stunde



Was sagst du zu der gegenwärtgen Stunde?

Was sagst du zu der gegenwärt'gen Stunde?

[Lesetext, 2 H](#)

Was sagst du von der ernsten Stunde

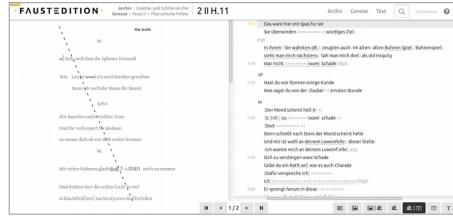
[2 II H.11](#)

Was sagst du zu der gegenwärtgen Stunde? [2 II H.13, 2 II H.74](#)

Was sagst du zu der gegenwärtgen Stunde?

# Multi-layer edition

## *Faust-Edition*



sagst  
Textual

MS A

sagst  
Documentary

# Multi-layer edition *Menota*



The screenshot shows a search interface with a sidebar containing 'Name', 'Bibliography', 'Category', 'Query', 'Corpus', 'Calculations', 'Word List', 'Text', and 'Overview'. The main area displays a list of search results with columns for 'I Facs I', 'I Dipl I', and 'I Norm I'. Each result includes a snippet of text from the 'Íslendingabók' and a link to the full text.

I Facs I	I Dipl I	I Norm I
1 Íslendinga boc godna w eftir by-skupum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok skapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	1 Íslendinga boc godna w eftir by-skupum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	1 Íslendingabók godna ok fyrst by-
2 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	2 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	2 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok
3 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	3 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok	3 skrapum örnum, þorlak os kathi, ok
4 En	4 En	4 En
5 En þa er a þessi hefði fræt at hava	5 En þa er a þessi hefði fræt at hava	5 En þa er a þessi hefði fræt at hava
6 eiga þau vþurð	6 eiga þau vþurð	6 eiga þau vþurð
7 nalla, þa sciftala er þessa of et	7 nalla, þa sciftala er þessa of et	7 nalla, þa sciftala er þessa of et
8 vinnu, en að meðan	8 vinnu, en að meðan	8 vinnu, en að meðan
9 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-	9 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-	9 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-
10 gðr er	10 gðr er	10 gðr er
11 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-	11 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-	11 vinnu attar tollo oc sognu ev, oc tve-
12 gva fágt a	12 gva fágt a	12 gva fágt a
13 pen en a þeit. En frætaki el	13 pen en a þeit. En frætaki el	13 pen en a þeit. En frætaki en en i

Íslendingabók Norm(alized)

(J)Íslendinga boc Dipl(omatic)

MS AM 113

Íslendinga boc Facs(imile)

# Multi-layer edition

## Menota

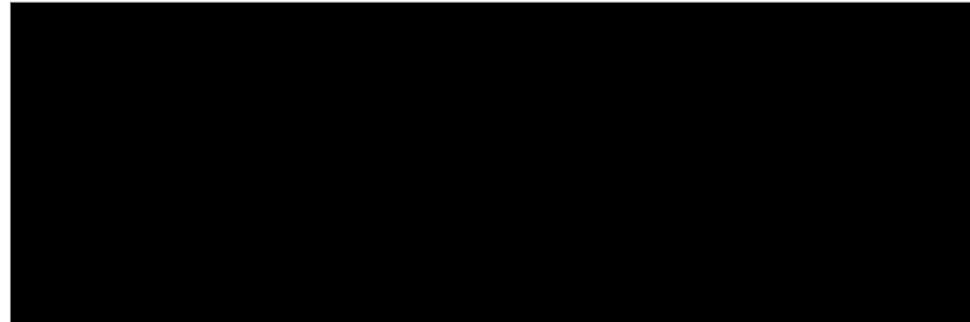
AM 113 b fol. – Íslendingabók v. 1.0.4

Previous page Next page | Go to: 1r | Levels:  Facs  Dipl  Norm

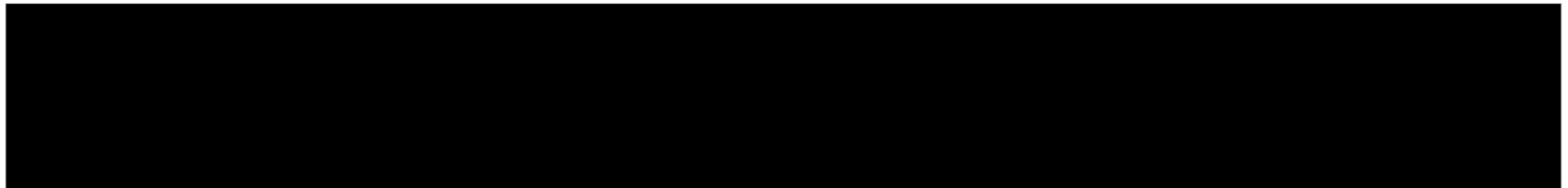
<p>[ Facs ]</p> <p>[ms: fol. 1r]</p> <p>1 Héndiðja boc goða ec fyrft by- 2 scopom ǫrum, þorlaði oc katli. oc 3 fynða c bæþi þeim oc Sæmundi p. En</p> <p>4 með því at þeim licaþi fva at hava eða þar viður</p> <p>5 auða, þá scrifada ec þesa of et fama far, fyr</p> <p>6 vtan attar tolo oc ǫnja ǫvi, oc iðc e því er</p> <p>7 mer varþ fidan cuðara oc nu er ger sagt a</p> <p>8 þesi en a þeiri. En hvatði ef</p>	<p>[ Dipl ]</p> <p>[ms: fol. 1r]</p> <p>1 (J)flendinga boc gorða ec fyrft by- 2 scopom ǫrum, þorlaki oc katli. oc 3 fynða c bæþi þeim oc Sæmundi presti. En</p> <p>4 með því at þeim licaþi fva at hava eða þar viður</p> <p>5 auka, þá scrifada ec þesa of et fama far, fyr</p> <p>6 vtan attar tolo oc conunga ǫvi, oc iðc e því er</p> <p>7 mer varþ fidan cunara oc nu er ger sagt a</p> <p>8 þesi en a þeiri. En hvatki ef</p>	<p>[ Norm ]</p> <p>[ms: fol. 1r]</p> <p>1 Íslendingabók görða ek fyrst by- 2 skupum órum, Þorlaki ok Katli, ok 3 sýnda k bæði þeim ok Sæmundi presti. En</p> <p>4 með því at þeim líkaði svá at hafa eða þar viður</p> <p>5 auka, þá skrifada ek þessa of et sama far, fyr</p> <p>6 útan áttartölu ok konunga ævi, ok jók k því es</p> <p>7 mér varð síðan kunnara ok nú es gerr sagt á</p> <p>8 þessi en á þeiri. En hvatki es es í</p>
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# Multi-layer edition

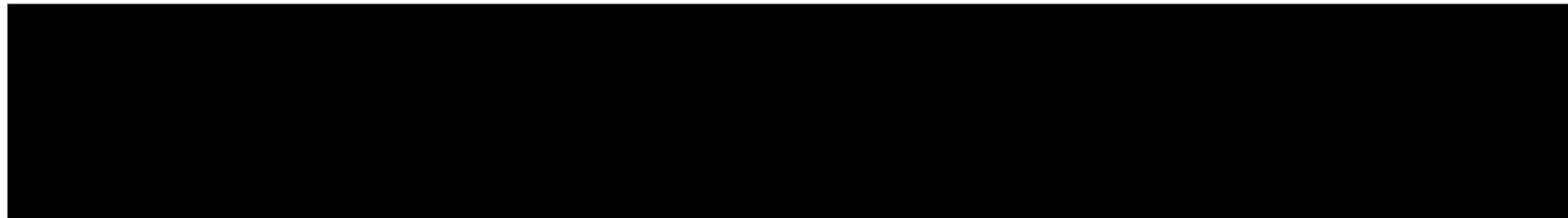
*Ursus Beneventanus, De nomine (IX Cent.)*



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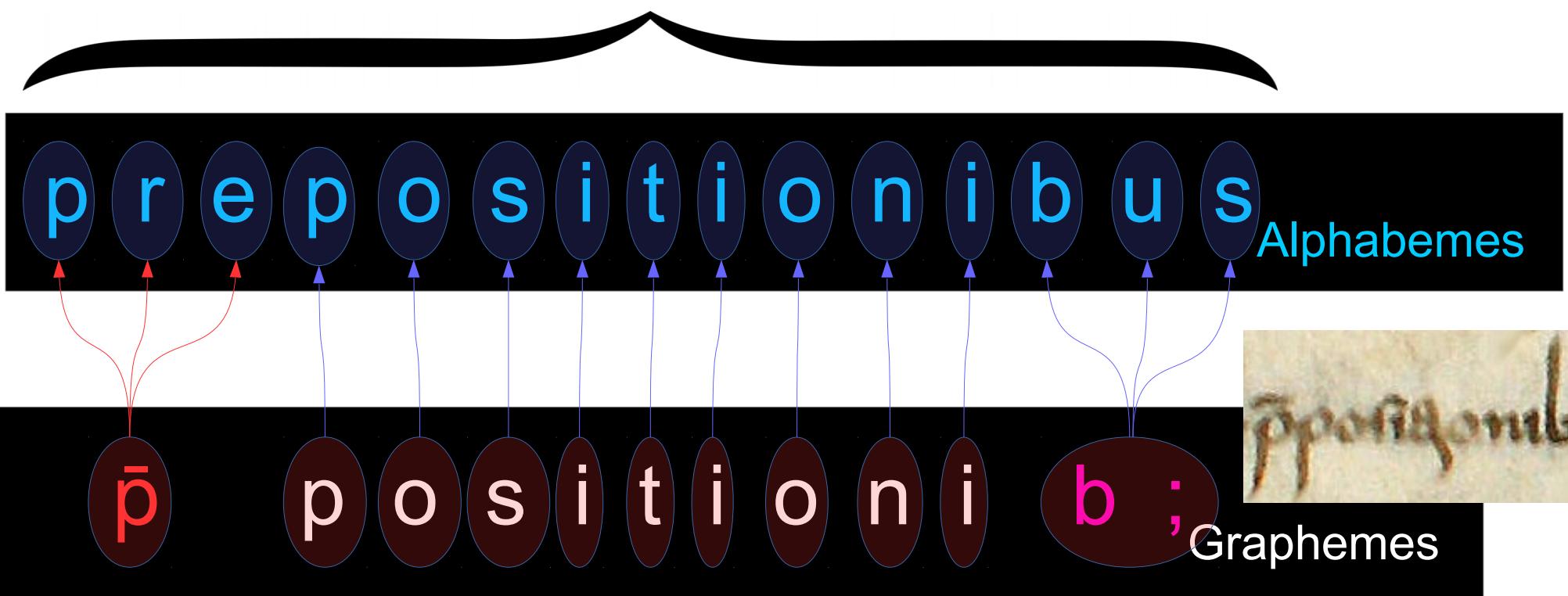
MS Casanatensis 1086 |



# Textual layers

[*praepositio, -onis,*  
abl. plur.]

Word



# Textual layers

MS A

[*praepositio*, -*onis*,  
abl. plur.]<sub>Word</sub>

MS B

[*praepositio*, -*onis*,  
abl. plur.]<sub>Word</sub>

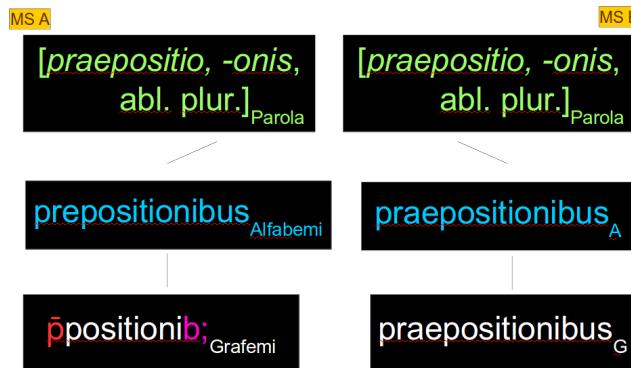
prepositionibus<sub>Alphabemes</sub>

praepositionibus<sub>A</sub>

þpositionib;<sub>Graphemes</sub>

praepositionibus<sub>G</sub>

# Textual layers

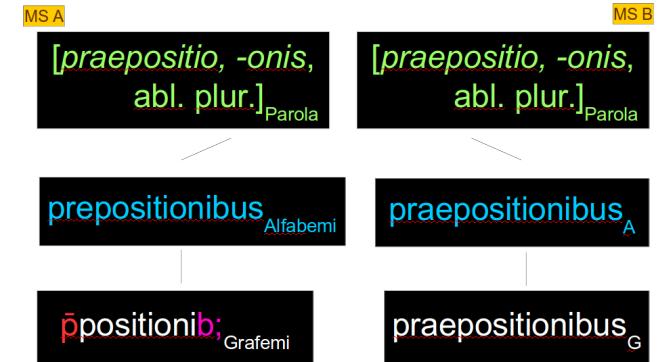


- Orlandi, T. *Informatica testuale. Teoria e prassi*, Laterza, 2010
- *Describing Handwriting, Part IV: Recapitulation and Formal Model*, in the digipal.eu blog

# Ursus

## *Innovations from Orlandi*

- Edition on many *semiotic layers* (sub-systems)



- “Table of signs”

Graphemes	Alphabemes	Grapheme Visualization	Type	Notes
a	a	a	Alphabetic	
b	b	b	Alphabetic	
c	c	c	Alphabetic	
d	d	d	Alphabetic	
e	e	e	Alphabetic	
æ	ae	ɛ	Alphabetic	An 'e'
ſ	ſ	ſ	Alphabetic	

# Ursus *Visualization*

prepositionibus

positionib;

# Ursus

## *Visualization*

"**praepositionibus**": [praepositio] Nominal, Positive, III decl, Plural Ablative,  
Feminine,

**prepositionibus**

**prepositionib;**

# Ursus

## Visualization

"*praepositionibus*": [praepositio] Nominal, Positive, III decl, Plural Ablative,  
Feminine,

preposit  
position

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<w ana="11C---O1---"  
  lemma="praepositio">  
  <choice>  
    <expan>pre</expan>  
    <abbr type="superscription">  
      p<am>-</am>  
    </abbr>  
  </choice>  
  positionibus</w>
```

# Ursus

## *Visualization*

"**praepositionibus**": [praepositio] Nominal, Positive, III decl, Plural Ablative,  
Feminine,

**prepositionibus** ← Ortografia

**ppositionib;** ← Paleografia

# Ursus

## Visualization

est cognomentum propriae qualitatis , de qua et Priscianus e contra  
est cognomentum proprie qualitatis , de qua et priscianus e contra  
est [cognomen]tu<sup>2</sup> [n]priæ [qualitatis : (2va.2)] de qua [et priscianus [e contra [

nomen dixit " quod est proprium uniuscuiusque non potest esse propria  
nomen dixit - quod est proprium unius cuiusque non potest esse propria  
nomen [ dixit - [ quod est propriu<sup>2</sup> [ unius[cuius (2va.3)q; [ non [ potest [ ee' [ n]pria [

qualitas . praenomen accipitur quando quis nascitur . nomen communis  
qualitas ; prenomen accipitur quando quis nascitur ; nomen communis  
qualitas ; [ praenomen [ accipitur [ quando (s (2va.4) nascitur ; nomen [ co<sup>2</sup>munis [

# Ursus

## Visualization

est cognomentum propriae qualitatis , de qua et priscianus e contra  
est cognomenū pprię qualitatis , [2v.a.2] de qua et priscianus e contra

nomen dixit quod est proprium uniuscuiusque non potest esse propria  
nomen dixit · quod est propriū uniuscuius [2v.a.3]q; non potest eē ppria

qualitas . praenomen accipitur quando quis nascitur . nomen communis  
qualitas ; p̄nomen accipitur quando qs [2v.a.4] nascitur ; nomen cōmunis

# Ursus

## Visualization

est cognomentum propriae qualitatis , de qua et priscianus e contra  
est cognomentū "cognomentum": [cognomentum] Nominal, Positive, II decl, Singular Nominative, Neuter,

nomen dixit quod est proprium uniuscuiusque non potest esse propria  
nomen dixit · quod est propriū uniuscuius<sub>[2v.a.3]</sub>q; non potest ēē ppria

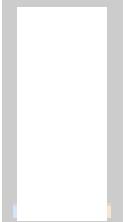
qualitas . praenomen accipitur quando quis nascitur . nomen communis  
qualitas ; p̄nomen accipitur quando qs nascitur ; nomen cōmunis

# Ursus

## *Flexibility*

"**uniuscuiusque**": [unusquisque] Nominal, Positive, Regularly irregular decl, Singular Genitive, Feminine, Graphical variation B,

**uniuscuiusque**

unius  cuius [2v.a.3] q;

# Ursus

## *Lapsus calami*

"mobilis": [mobilis] Nominal, Positive, III decl, Singular Genitive, Neuter,

mouillis

← *Lapsus calami*

mouillis

# Ursus

*Future development: collation*

MS A

MS B

"propriae": [proprius] Nominal, Positive,  
II decl, Singular Genitive, Feminine

propriae

propriae

"propriae": [proprius] Nominal, Positive,  
II decl, Singular Genitive, Feminine

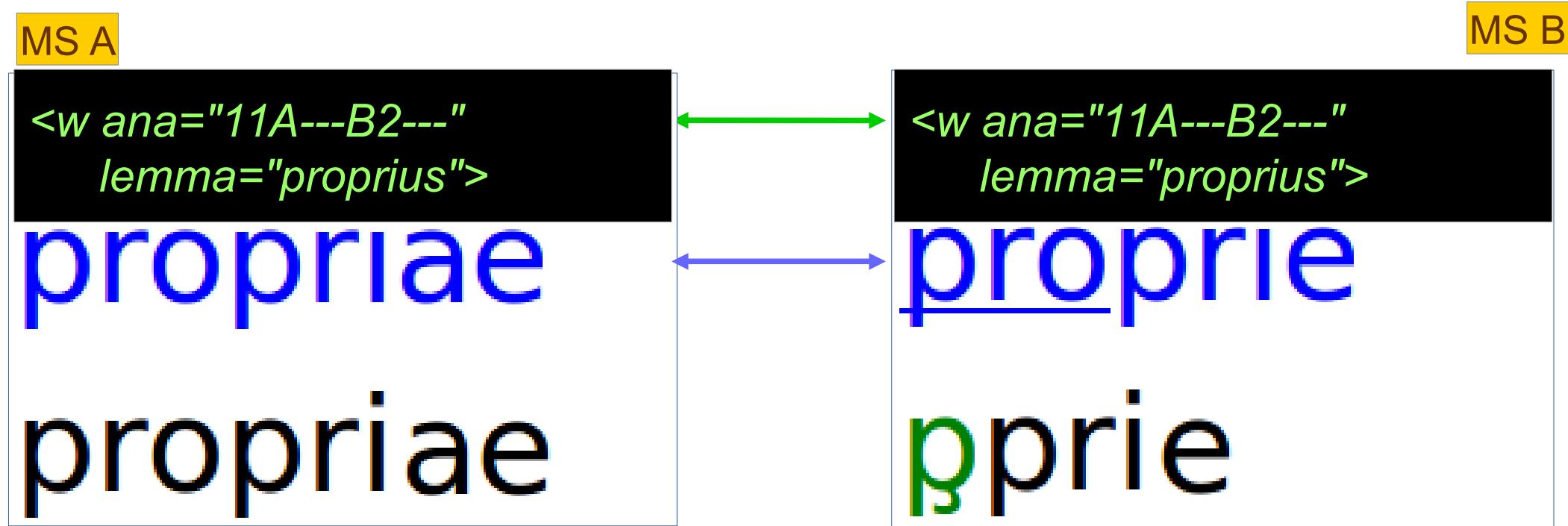
proprie

pprie



# Ursus

## *Future development: collation*



# Ursus

## *Licence and re-use*

- Open Source
  - GNU GPL
  - GitHub
  - Docs
  - Images

175 commits	1 branch	0 releases
Branch: master ▾	New pull request	
 paolomonella	Transcription review	
 DTD	Added DTD and img folder	
 glyph_images	Continued transcription, changed glyph images	
 lemma	Tried it with word Vergil	
 minidomToolBox	Exit XML, added MinidomToolBox folder	
 AToS.csv	First commit	
 GToS.csv	Improved visualization of est-abbreviation	
 LICENSE	Edited a comment	
 README.md	April-may changes	
 casanatensis.xml	Transcription review	
 documentation.md	Reviewed transcription, added colors for note types	
 jsparser.js	Added Priscian De numeris to recognized sources	

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