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# Swedish L2 profile - a tool for exploring L2 data

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## L2 profiles for Swedish

L2P - Documentation

L2P - MWE experiment

L2P - experiment with word  
difficulty

# L2 profiles for Swedish

Full name: Development of lexical and grammatical competences in immigrant Swedish, RJ, 2018-2020

## Background

Sweden has a growing number of immigrants, the need for courses and coursebooks in Swedish as a second language (L2) is increasing, as is the demand for standardized tests and qualifications. This project intends to study the development of lexical and grammatical competences in L2 learners of Swedish.

## General description

We intend to perform the study through two corpora: coursebook texts and learner essays, both marked up for proficiency levels according to the Common European Framework of References (CEFR). The corpora will be processed by computational methods, after which the results will be analysed by linguists, lexicographers, grammarians, teachers and language assessors - both linguistically, and based on theory of teaching, to find ways of identifying minimal or central (need-to-know) vocabulary and grammar scopes, as well as

## Project duration

2018-01-01 – 2021-12-31

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What is Swedish L2 profile?

# Inspired by other profiles...

## English Vocabulary Profile Online - British English

Topic

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Results 1 - 20 of 356

Base Word

Guideword

## English Grammar Profile Online

PEARSON ENGLISH > Global Scale of English > GSE Teacher Toolkit



### GSE Teacher Toolkit

Let the Global Scale of English (GSE) save you time and improve the quality and relevance of your English classes. The GSE Teacher Toolkit makes it quick and easy to find learning objectives, grammar, vocabulary and coursebook recommendations all mapped to the GSE and CEFR.



← Clear Results

### Choose category <sup>?</sup>

Learning Objectives

Grammar

Vocabulary

Text Analyzer

Who are you teaching?

Choose Learner

Choose a range on the GSE / CEFR <sup>?</sup>



Choose Topic

Grammatical Category

Filter search results with an exact word

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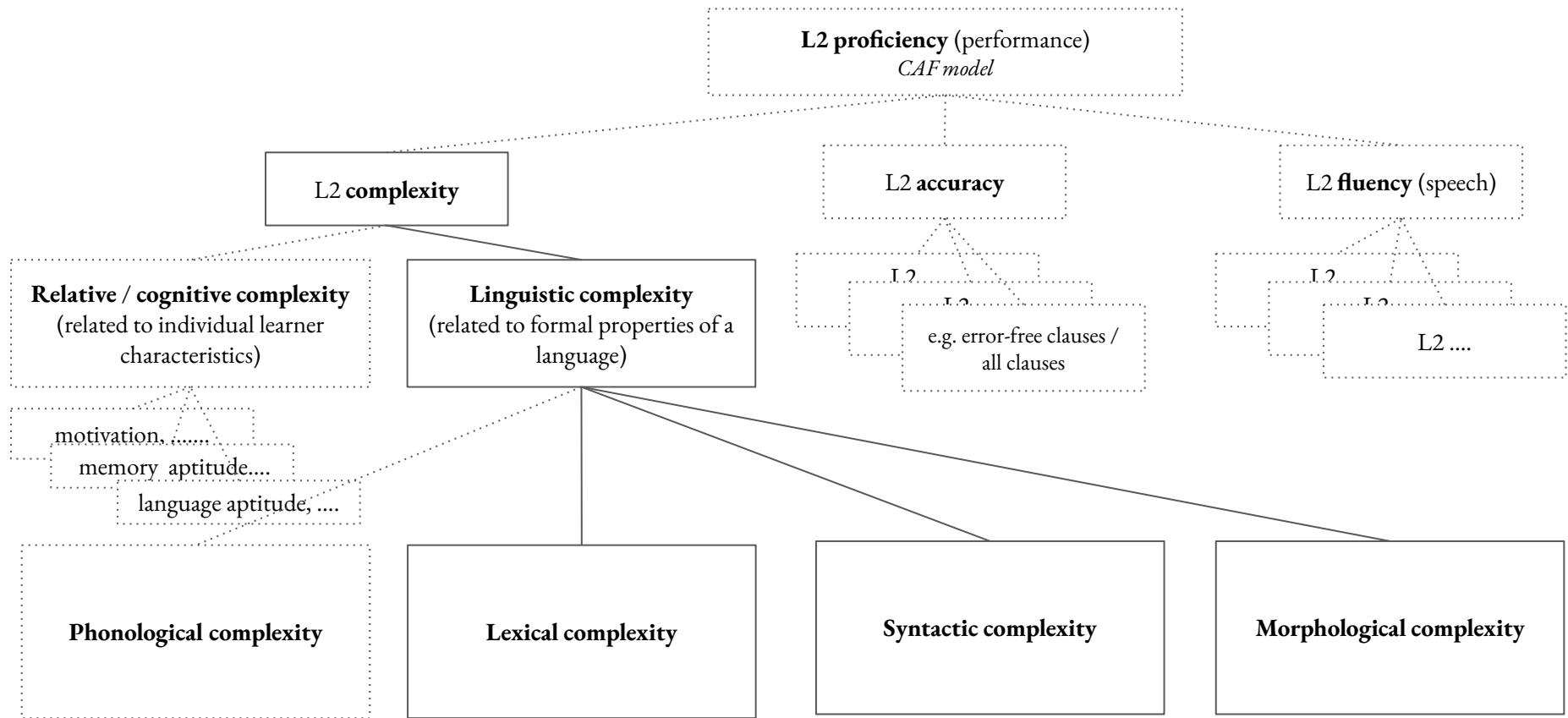
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# Why?

- Need to visualize and make sense of data
- Generate hypotheses
- Link numbers to actual data samples
- ...



# Swedish L2 Profile



Language Acquisition Reusing **Korp**


Lexical profile	Grammatical profile	Morphological profile
Adjectival declension	Verb patterns	Word family
Adjectival & Adverbial structure	Noun patterns	Morpheme family
Multi Word Expressions		
Sen*Lex		

eclensi

Note:  
**not** inflectional  
morphology


# Swedish L2 profile

Exercise Generator Tools Experimental prototypes Swedish L2 profiles Svenska English

 Language Acquisition Reusing **Korp**



Lexical profile Grammatical profile Morphological profile

Word family  
Morpheme family

Sen\*Lex 

Search word Word Class Saldo Word Class Noun declension Gender

A1 A2 B1 B2 C1 C2 Tables Graphs Statistics Download Statistics Clear all

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live demo:

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# DEMO

- Lexical profile
  - Sen\*Lex: conjunctions/subjunctions, gender
  - MWEs (1st occurrence vs usage, per CEFR); verbal types
- Grammar profile
  - Verbs: Preterite vs Past
  - Nouns: in general vs incl. attributes
- Morphological profile
  - Morpheme family: word formation mechanisms
  - Word family: dag, språk, lyx



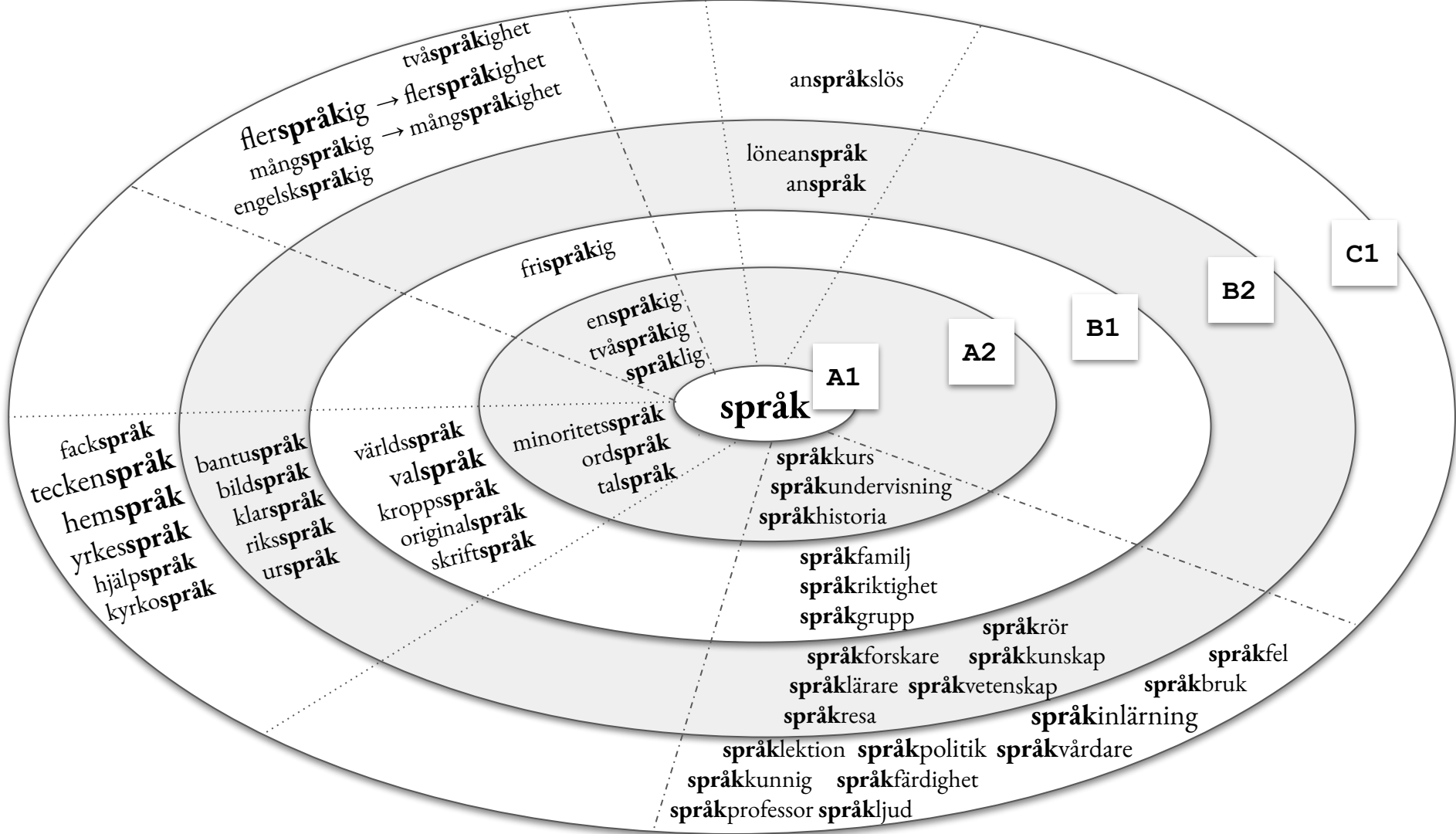
beginner

→ elementary

→ intermediate

→ upper-intermediate

→ advanced



# lyx ('luxury')

hus ('house') (A1) →

varuhus ('store, house of products') (A1) →

vara ('product, item') (A2) →

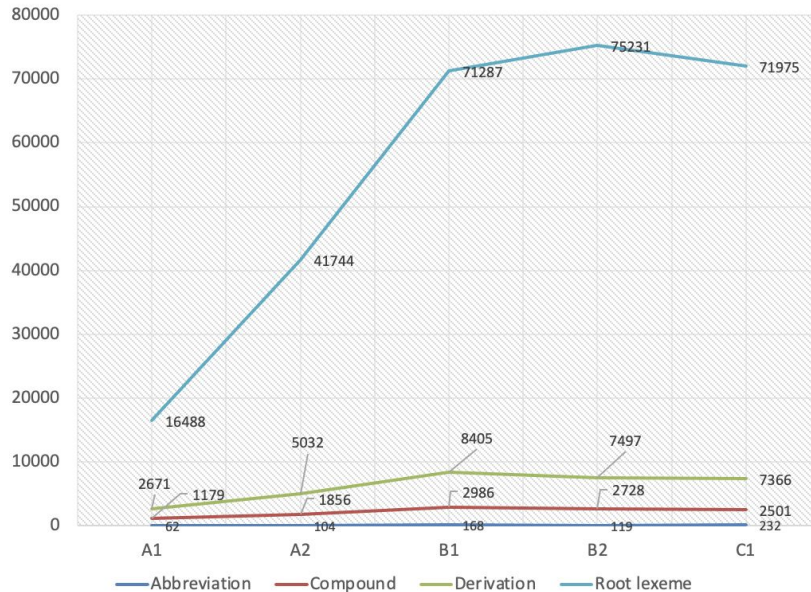
lyxvara ('item of luxury') (B1) →

lyx ('luxury') (B2)

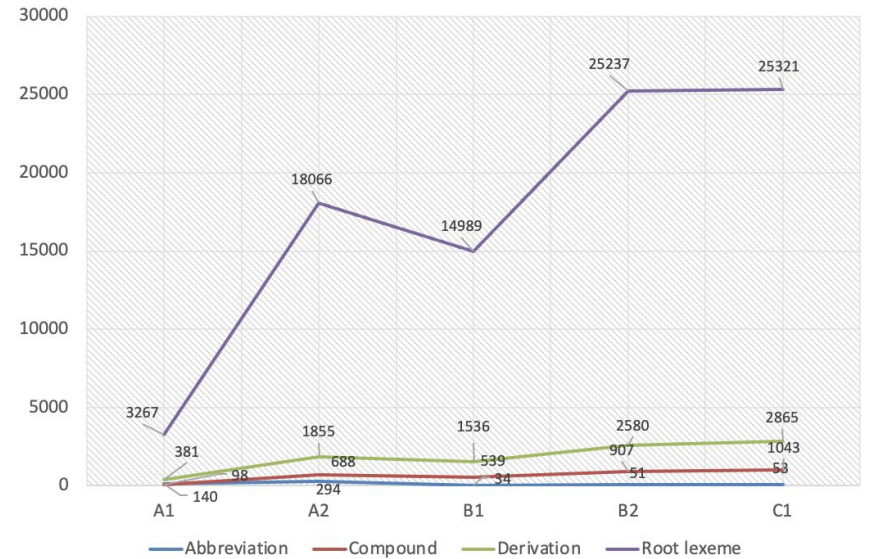
Root morpheme ↕	CEFR level ↕	Lemgram ↕
lyx	B1	lyxvara..nn.1
lyx	B2	lyx..nn.1
lyx	B2	lyxa..vb.1
lyx	B2	lyxig..av.1
lyx	C1	lyxliv..nn.1

# Relate statistics and levels of language development

Word formation mechanisms in COCTAILL data per level



Word formation mechanisms in SweLL-pilot essay data per level



## Swedish L2 profile – providing possibilities...

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graph TD; A[Swedish L2 profile – providing possibilities...] --> B[Teaching]; A --> C[Learning]; A --> D[Assessment]; A --> E[Research];
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Teaching

Learning

Assessment

Research

- Open access to empirical data (learner data behind access license)
- Open access to reference corpora, possible to search in exactly the same way.
- ICALL exercises definite possibility, still to be explored.

- L2 Swedish development, e.g. prepositions, passives, etc
- Word / morpheme families
- Morphological complexity



Thank you!  
Comments? Questions?

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Lexical profile

Grammatical profile

Morphological profile

Sen\*Lex 

Word Class

Noun (NN) Saldo Word Class Noun declension Gender 

A1

A2

B1

B2

C1

C2

Tables

Graphs











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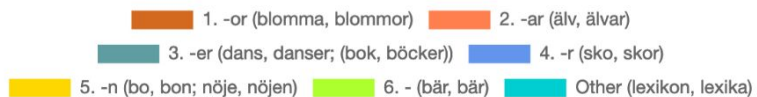
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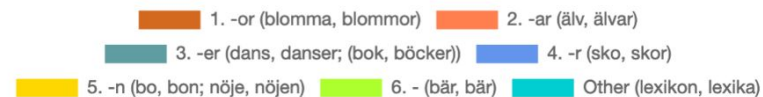
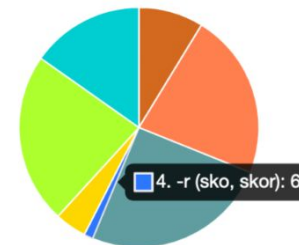
CEFR level 	Word 	Lemgram 	Sense 	Word Class 	Saldo Word Class 	Receptive  	Productive  
A2	<a href="#">skola</a>	skola..nn.1	skola..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	11.92 (82)	93.53 (214)
A2	<a href="#">kompis</a>	kompis..nn.1	kompis..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	2.76 (19)	62.94 (144)
A2	<a href="#">dag</a>	dag..nn.1	dag..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	23.54 (162)	52.45 (120)
A2	<a href="#">år</a>	år..nn.1	år..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	37.35 (257)	40.21 (92)

## Noun declension

Receptive



Productive

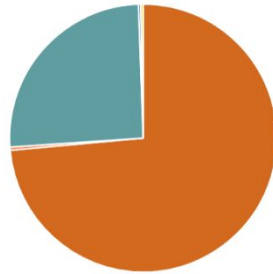


Noun declension	Receptive
1. -or (blomma, blommor)	211
2. -ar (älv, älvar)	475
3. -er (dans, danser; (bok, böcker))	572

Noun declension	Productive
1. -or (blomma, blommor)	43
2. -ar (älv, älvar)	110
3. -er (dans, danser; (bok, böcker))	124

## Gender

Receptive

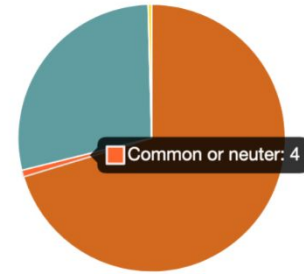


■ Common (en älv, en bil) 
 ■ Common or neuter 
 ■ Neuter (ett ägg, ett år)

■ No gender 
 ■ Always plural - no gender

Gender	Receptive
Common (en älv, en bil)	1537
Common or neuter	8
Neuter (ett ägg, ett år)	533

Productive



■ Common (en älv, en bil) 
 ■ Common or neuter 
 ■ Neuter (ett ägg, ett år)

■ No gender 
 ■ Always plural - no gender

Gender	Productive
Common (en älv, en bil)	346
Common or neuter	4
Neuter (ett ägg, ett år)	140

Total rows : 649

CEFR level ↓↑	Word ↓↑	Lemgram ↓↑	Sense ↓↑	Word Class ↓↑	Saldo Word Class ↓↑	Receptive ↓↑ 🗨	Productive ↓↑ 🗨
A1	skola	skola..nn.1	skola..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	11.20 (29)	<a href="#">249.02 (102)</a>

Antal träffar: 102

« < 1 2 3 4 5 > »

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SPIN (stödjer ej utökad kontext)

min <b>skolan</b> ligger på N-gata på N-gata.
I <b>skolan</b> är 300 elever.
NN arbetar i <b>skolan</b> .
Ja bra i <b>skolan</b> pratar svenska.
Min <b>skolan</b> heter NN.
Min <b>skola</b> ligger på N-gata på N-gata.
Det finns fyra våningar i <b>skolan</b> .
i <b>skolan</b> eleverna finns 16.
Jag slutar <b>skolan</b> kl. 2:00.
Jag kommer <b>skolan</b> sprbangn och but.
Jag tycker om bild och Lesnär på music och Simu <b>skola</b> .

# Morpheme family

Search morpheme:       Search word:

Morpheme Category:  Binding morpheme,  Derivational prefix,  Derivational suffix,  Inflectional ending,  Root morpheme,  Unclassified / unknown



Word Class:       Saldo Word Class:       Word formation:

A1 A2 B1 B2 C1 C2

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Morpheme ↓↑	CEFR level ↓↑	Morpheme Category ↓↑	Lemgram ↓↑	Sense ↓↑	Word Class ↓↑	Saldo Word Class ↓↑	Word formation ↓↑	Receptive ↓↑ 	Productive ↓↑ 
ling	A1	Derivational suffix	<a href="#">älskling..nn.1</a>	älskling..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	Derivation	1.16 (3)	0.00 (0)
ling	A2	Derivational suffix	<a href="#">Moderata_samlingspartiet.pmm.1</a>	Moderata_samlingspartiet..1	Adjective (JJ)	Multiword proper noun (pmm)	Lexicalized form	0.29 (2)	0.00 (0)
ling	A2	Derivational suffix	<a href="#">böckling..nn.1</a>	böckling..1	Noun (NN)	Noun (nn)	Derivation	0.29 (2)	0.00 (0)
ling	B1	Derivational suffix	<a href="#">änkling..nn.1</a>			Noun (nn)			

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älskling

Definition :

- älskling (svenska.se)

Morphology :

- r: älsk s: ling

SAOL Analysis :

- älsk-ling

SO Analysis :

- älsk-ling-en

Antal träffar: 3

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COCTAILL

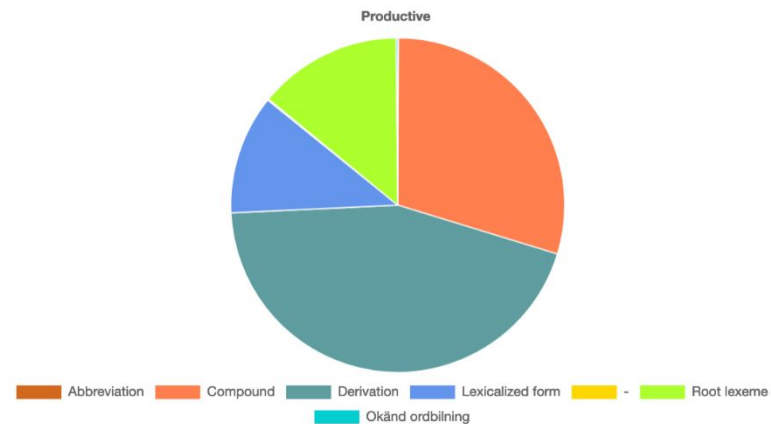
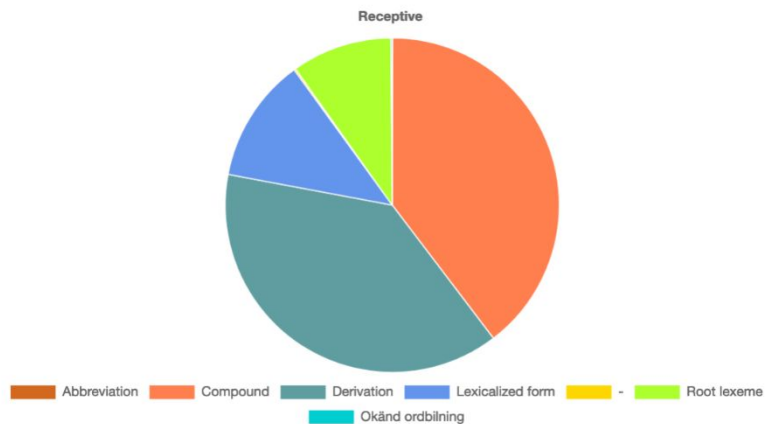
Mona: God natt, älskling, och sov gott!

Lasse: Hej, älskling, nu är jag hemma!

Lasse: God morgon, älskling!

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# Word formation mechanisms



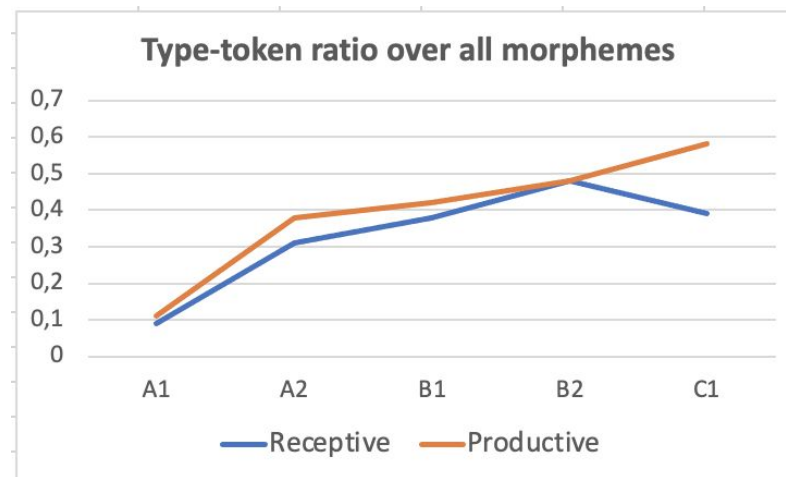
Word formation	Receptive
Abbreviation	17
Compound	14344
Derivation	13871
Lexicalized form	4367

Word formation	Productive
Abbreviation	4
Compound	1629
Derivation	2448
Lexicalized form	634

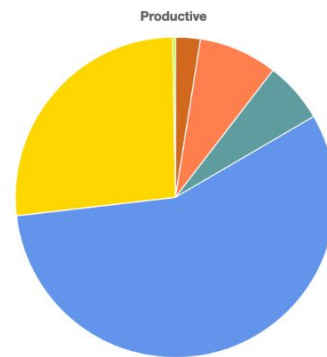
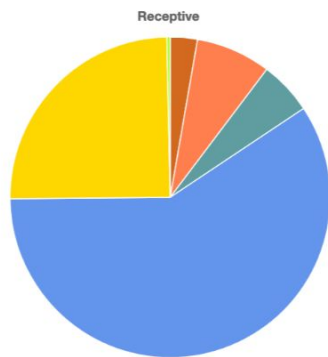
# Statistics: type-token ratio

## CEFR level

CEFR level	Receptive (Type)	Productive (Type)	Receptive (Token)	Productive (Token)	Receptive (TTR)	Productive (TTR)
A1	2166	464	25015	4083	0.09	0.11
A2	5134	714	16367	1866	0.31	0.38
B1	10327	1184	27224	2829	0.38	0.42
B2	10916	1310	22569	2748	0.48	0.48



# Morpheme categories



Word

Morpheme Category	Receptive
Binding morpheme	990
Inflectional ending	2739
Derivational prefix	1939
Root morpheme	21444

Morpheme Category	Productive
Binding morpheme	138
Inflectional ending	436
Derivational prefix	338
Root morpheme	3108

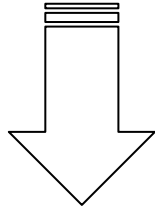


# Derivational complexity

Item	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	Total
word	1369	2689	4518	4440	3211	16230
morpheme	2457	5727	11318	11732	9292	40534
morpheme/word	1.79	2.13	2.51	2.64	2.89	2.50

# Automatic tools for

- ...detection of morpheme boundaries
- ...labeling morphemes for their types
- ...labeling words for their word formation type



- ...with the ultimate aim/hope to add this type of analysis to automatic pipelines, primarily to Sparv



link to this presentation:

<https://tinyurl.com/tmszyfa8>

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