Supreme Court Dialogs Corpus

DATA (.zip file)
README

A version of this dataset is also available in ConvoKit format: readme, zip file of data

This corpus is distributed together with:

Echoes of power: Language effects and power differences in social interaction

Cristian Danescu-Niculescu-Mizil, Lillian Lee, Bo Pang, and Jon Kleinberg.

Proceedings of WWW, 2012.

This corpus builds upon and enriches the data initially used in:

COMPUTATIONAL ANALYSIS OF THE CONVERSATIONAL DYNAMICS OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT. Timothy W. Hawes, M.A. Thesis, 2009

Elements of a computational model for multi-party discourse: The turn-taking behavior of Supreme Court justices. Timothy Hawes, Jimmy Lin, and Philip Resnik, JASIST 60(8), 2009. [original data]

Brief description (extracted and condensed from readme version v1.01)

This corpus contains a collection of conversations from the U.S. Supreme Court Oral Arguments (http://www.supremecourt.gov/oral_arguments/) with metadata:

- 51,498 utterances making up 50,389 conversational exchanges

- from 204 cases involving 11 Justices and 311 other participants (lawyers or amici curiae)

- metadata includes:

  - case outcome

  - vote of the Justice

  - section in which the conversation took place

  - gender annotation

Case outcome and vote data were extracted from the the Spaeth Supreme Court database (http://scdb.wustl.edu/)