

Teaching and Learning of Speech Acts with the Hong Kong Corpus of Spoken English (HKCSE)

Speaker

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Abstract: Given the advancement of information and communication technology, both language philosophers and applied linguists are interested in the study of speech acts with conversational corpora. Some researchers have attempted to develop software that can identify speech acts automatically from corpus data, resulting in annotated corpora in specific domains for different tasks. In this talk the speaker will present an attempt to annotate speech acts in the business sub-corpus of the Hong Kong Corpus of Spoken English (prosodic) with the aid of a computer-mediated program SpeechActConc, which is specifically written for the analysis of annotated corpus data. Given the quantitative data, the speaker will analyse qualitatively the speech acts in the annotated corpus to answer the following questions: (1) What are the sequencing patterns of speech acts? (2) What are the lexico-grammatical patterns of different speech acts? (3) What are the pedagogical implications for ESP teaching and learning?

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