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**Description of files:**

Addition to Tables 5.4 and 5.5.xlsx

Addition to Table 6.2.xlsx

Addition to Table 7.3.xlsx

Addition to Table 7.8.xlsx

The files listed are supplementary to the monograph and provide the absolute number of tokens associated with the 24 different composite predicates (CPs) in the four corpora investigated:

- the *Early English Prose Fiction* Corpus (EEPF)
- the *Eighteenth Century Fiction* Corpus (ECF)
- the *Nineteenth Century Fiction* Corpus (NCF), in **Addition to Tables 5.4 and 5.5.xlsx** split up into an earlier and a later part (labelled NCF1 and NCF2, see Section 4.4 of the monograph)
- the fiction component of the British National Corpus (BNC wrd.1).

**Addition to Tables 5.4 and 5.5.xlsx** provides the absolute number of tokens found for each ‘simple’ verb associated with the CPs in the respective corpora (NCF1, NCF2, BNC wrd.1). In addition, it gives the proportion of “valid” examples after non-verbal uses/non-prepositional-verb uses have been excluded from the dataset and thus the number of tokens in the cleared set. The file contains a table that comprises those verbs that correspond to CPs involving the verb *take* (addition to Table 5.4) and a table that comprises those verbs that correspond to CPs involving the verb *make* (addition to Table 5.5).

**Addition to Table 6.2.xlsx** provides the absolute number of tokens for those eight Type I-CPs, whose simple verbs either have an extensive semantic coverage throughout or which are increasing in terms of their semantic scope as we move from the 19th to the 20th centuries

(see Section 5.3). These eight CPs are *take hold of*, *take leave of*, *take notice of*, *make answer to*, *make love to*, *make mention of*, *make sense of* and *make use of*. While the normalized frequencies are provided in Table 6.2 (Section 6.1), **Addition to Table 6.2.xlsx** provides the absolute tokens for each of these CPs in the EEPF, ECF, NCF and BNC wrd.1.

**Addition to Table 7.3.xlsx** provides the absolute number of tokens for those nine Type II-CPs involving *take*, whose simple verbs do not have an extensive semantic coverage throughout or which are decreasing in terms of their semantic scope as we move from the 19th to the 20th centuries (see Section 5.3). These nine CPs are *take account of*, *take advantage of*, *take charge of*, *take delight in*, *take heed of*, *take offence at*, *take pity on/upon*, *take pleasure in* and *take possession of*. While the normalized frequencies are provided in Table 7.2 (Section 7.1.1), **Addition to Table 7.3.xlsx** provides the absolute tokens for each of these CPs in the EEPF, ECF, NCF and BNC wrd.1.

**Addition to Table 7.8.xlsx** provides the absolute number of tokens for those seven Type II-CPs involving *make*, whose simple verbs do not have an extensive semantic coverage throughout or which are decreasing in terms of their semantic scope as we move from the 19th to the 20th centuries (see Section 5.3). These seven CPs are *make allowance for*, *make apology for*, *make difference to*, *make doubt of*, *make fun of*, *make impression on* and *make provision for*. While the normalized frequencies are provided in Table 7.2 (Section 7.1.2), **Addition to Table 7.8.xlsx** provides the absolute tokens for each of these CPs in the EEPF, ECF, NCF and BNC wrd.1.

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