

Abbreviations and notation conventions

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ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTATION CONVENTIONS

The abbreviations for the corpora are given in section 4.2 (table 4.1). Specific abbreviations used in a table are explained in its caption.

Abbreviations

Adv	Adverb
BADIP	Banca dati dell'italiano parlato
CHAT	Codes for the human analysis of transcripts
Eng.	English
F ₀	Fundamental frequency
Fr.	French
Ger.	German
IFID	Illocutionary force indicating device
It.	Italian
N	Noun
NP	Noun phrase
<i>p</i>	Propositional variable
RPC	Reduced parenthetical clause
S	Sentence
Sp.	Spanish
V	Verb
VP	Verb phrase

General notation conventions

*	Unacceptable expression
?	Not fully acceptable expression
[...]	Parts of the example or citation have been omitted
qui / non	Both expressions are acceptable
/kə/	Phonemic transcription

Special notation conventions

Corpus or author	Notation	Description
BEECH	[rire]	Comment
BER	++	Pause of two seconds
Bloomfield (1935)	[,]	Pause pitch
	[.]	Final falling pitch of statements
Caffi (1999, 2001)	.	Falling intonation
	?	Rising intonation
	-	Short pause
Campione (2001a, 2001b)	^	Short pause
	-	Pause of medium length
	--	Long pause
	et:	Lengthening
	plai*sir	Focalization accent
	↗, ↘, →	Rising, falling, or flat F ₀ contour
CHOIX	-	Short pause
	--	Long pause
CIP	//	Utterance limit
	/	Limit of intonation unit
	[/]	False start (retracting)
	[!]	Preceding word is stressed
	&mhm	Interrupted word
	/'	End of reported intonation unit
	//"	End of reported utterance
	%ill:	Illocution
	%inf:	Information structure
CLIP	deputati_	Final vowel lengthening
	#	Short pause
	##	Pause of medium length
	<?>, <??>, <???>	Unintelligible word(s)
	do<po>	Reconstructed word
COREC	<simultáneo>	Comment
	mata<(d)>o	The letter <i>d</i> was not pronounced
	"	Direct speech
COR-ES, COR-FR, COR-IT	//	Utterance limit
	/	Limit of intonation unit
	#	Pause
	[/]	Break caused by a false start
CRE	//	Utterance limit
	/	Limit of intonation unit
CREDIF	/	Utterance segmentation
	mm.	Sentence-final intonation

	...	Pause
	(p=ste)	The expression is pronounced <i>ste</i>
	pas:	Lengthening
	x, xx	Unintelligible word(s)
	< >	Direct speech
CRFP	-	Short pause
	--	Long pause
	< >	Overlap
	av-	Interrupted word
	/le, me/	Both transcriptions are possible
	X, XX, XXX	Unintelligible syllable(s)
Emonds (1976)	E	Expression
HCM	... V ...	Hesitation
	desde ...	Lengthening
HOELK	[...?]	Unintelligible passage
	...	Short pause
Morel & Danon-Boileau (1998)	°xxx°	Parenthetical expression
	éno:::rmes	Hesitation
PIXI	-	Interrupted intonation unit
	"	Title of book or series
	+	Short pause
	(5syll)	Number of unintelligible syllables
	.	Low fall intonation
	,	Fall-rise intonation
	?	Low rise intonation
Voghera (1992)	//	Limit of intonation unit
	iROnico	Accented syllable

