



📍 Ground Truth Roadmap 🚗

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Personal

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- since 2010 research assistant at the



- from 2010 to 2017, at the
- involved in text production, supervising the transcription production and conversion/transformation of texts according to DTABf.
- since 2015 member of the



- initiated and supervised the call for proposals for project phase 2 (module project phase) together with my former colleague Kay-Michael Würzner
- as this time, setting up the Ground Truth department together with my OCR-D colleagues, my former colleagues and some members of modul projects



Tasks

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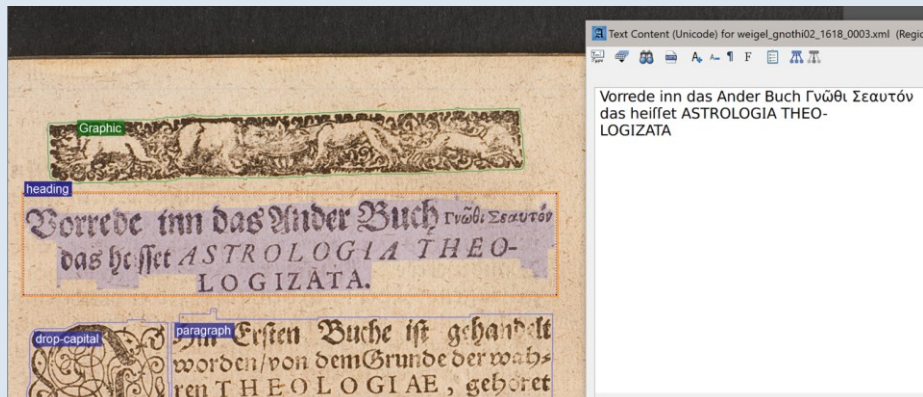
- I. Coordinating Ground Truth
- II. Implementation
- III. Dissemination



Task I: Coordinating Ground Truth

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- Structure-GT
 - contains regions of the printed page only
- Structure-Text-GT
 - contains both regions and text of the printed page
- GT stored in the GT-Repository



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Vision and Goal for Task I

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1. **Improving** the existing ground truth
2. **20,000 pages** of structural GT
3. Ground Truth **Call**
4. **Relaunching** the GT-Repository
5. **Curating** GT



Task II: Implementation

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- Developing transcription rules for both characters and structures based on the PAGE format
- Setting up guidelines for the structure GT
- Classification of metadata for the GT
- Documentation of the PAGE format



Transcription Guidelines for Ground Truth

OCR-D: DFG-funded Initiative for Optical Character Recognition Development

- The Ground-Truth-Guidelines
- Conventions for these Guidelines
- Transcription
 - Level 1
 - Level 2
 - Level 3
 - Fundamentals of the Transcription
 - Spellings and Symbols
 - Numbers
 - Tables
 - Maps
 - Handwritten annotations
 - Punctuation Basic Rules
 - Overviews and Examples
 - OCR-D Coordination Project Coding
 - **Alphabets, Abbreviations and Special Characters**
 - Ligatures
- Layout and Structure
- Documentation of the OCR-D Structure Ground Truth
- Documentation for gt-labelling : semantic-labelling OCR ground

Alphabets, Abbreviations and Special Characters

Table 1. Examples of transcribed characters in level 1, level 2, level 3

Template	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	a	a	a
<i>nata</i>	nata	nata	nata
	aa		

ā a with combining tilde
dezimal: ݱ
hex: ̃



Vision and Goal for Task II

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- **Establishing** standards and specifications
- Developing guidelines with human and **machine-readable rules**
- **Maintenance** and development of standards and specifications



Task III: Dissemination

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- Restructuring the “DFG Guidelines: Digitization”

DFG-Praxisregeln
„Digitalisierung“

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Information:

- Official website: [The Ground-Truth-Guidelines \(ocr-d.de\)](http://ocr-d.de)
- Preprint-Guidelines: [gt-guidelines \(en\)](#), [gt-guidelines \(de\)](#)
- Data-Site and further Informations: [OCR-D data](#)