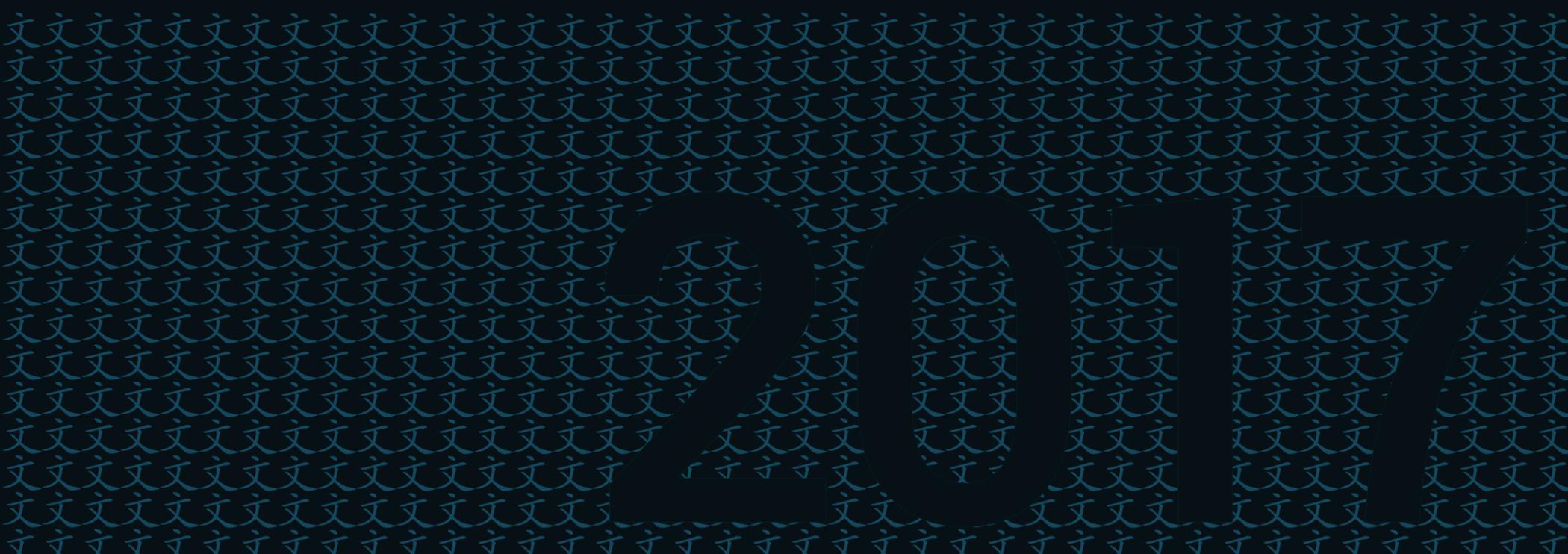


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[lemma="ski|skate" & tag="V.*"]

[] criteria for the same token/position must be inside a pair of square brackets

| means OR, i.e. find lemma *ski* OR lemma *skate*

& means AND the word we are looking for must be lemma *ski* or lemma *skate* AND must be a **verb**

spaces have no function but make the CQL more readable, this query produces the same results [lemma="ski|skate"&tag="V.*"]

* means any number of characters this corpus annotates different types of verbs with VB VBD VBG VBN VBP VBZ VH VHD VHG VHN VHP VHZ VV VVD VVG VVN VVP VVZ tags; using V.* will match all of them

can get back to camp first ? ' They laughed , and parents in Cumbria . What do you think ? ' Phoebe went months later . And that 's fairly thin ice on which to she moved upslope to the entrance and her numb foot correspondence and typing course . In practice , she learnt to

skied
skiing
skate
skated
ski

happily down the white snow . ' This is like home early every spring . She had learned as a girl and one's credibility ! But I'm making excuses already on the glossy groundsheet . She saved her curses ; but it was the first time she had been away from



JANUARY 2017

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`[lc="valentine's"] [lc="day"]`

`lc` behaves as if all words were lowercase, both *day* and *Day* will be found, *days* will not. Use `lc` to include instances of *Valentine's Day* misspelt in lowercase.

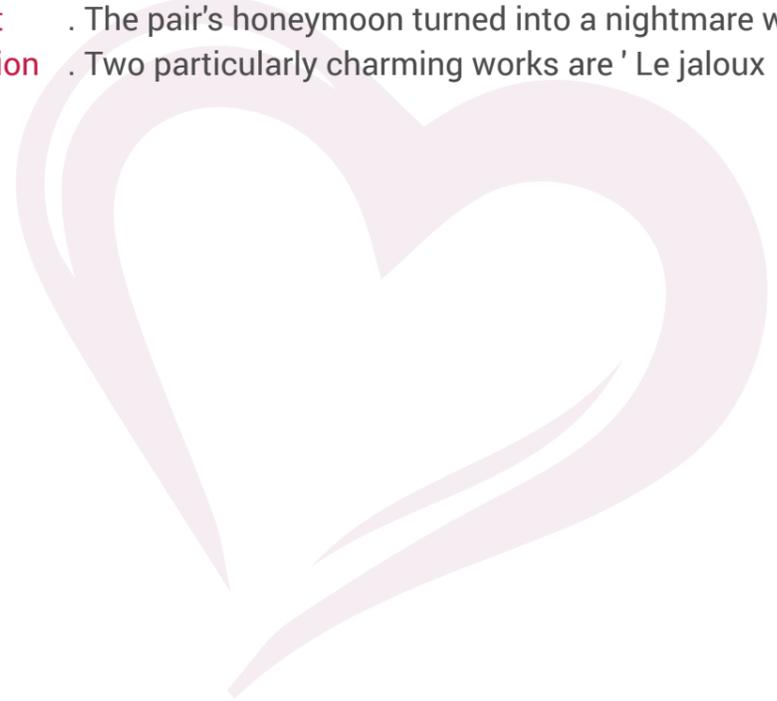
`[tag="N.*"]`

`*` means *any number of characters* - this corpus annotates different nouns with NN NNZ NNS NNSZ NP NPZ NPS NPSZ tags; using `N.*` will match all of them

`[] [] []` looking for three tokens/positions (*Valentine's+Day+noun*) requires three pairs of square brackets

Century-Fox , to join an all-star cast for The St
deciphering it - I 'm up to here with Amore ! The whole
it out ' . May I appeal to your readers to send a
Stevens made the perfect start to their new life with a
eighteenth-century France ' for their traditional St

Valentine's Day Massacre , to be released in 1967 , he had only a minuscule
Valentine's Day Thing is trivial and commercial , A cue for unleashing
Valentine's Day message to the Members of Parliament and urge them to ' Have
Valentine's Day treat . The pair's honeymoon turned into a nightmare when
Valentine's day exhibition . Two particularly charming works are ' Le jaloux



FEBRUARY 2017

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[lc="patrick's"] [lc="day"]
 [] {0,4} [lc="green"]

{ } repetition
 [] {0,4} zero to four tokens/words between *day* and *green*
 [] {4} exactly four tokens/words between *day* and *green*
 [tag="J.*"] {1,3} from one to three adjectives between *day* and *green*

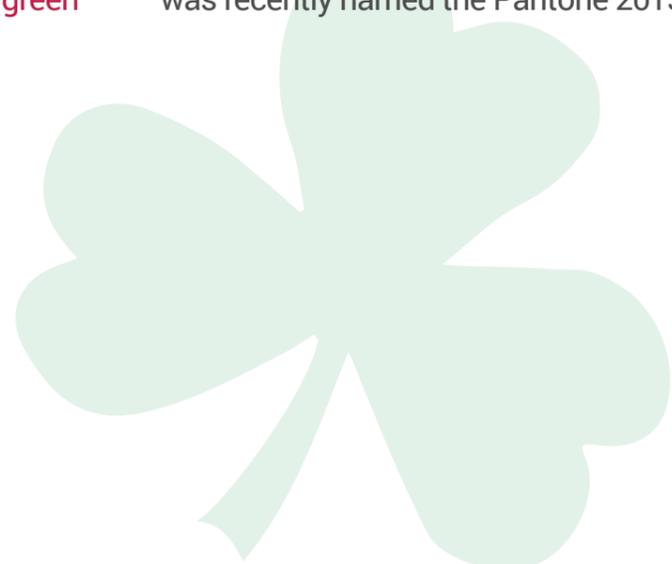
lc lc lc to avoid repeating the same attribute, only type the values in inverted commas and select the default attribute from the drop down. The following will produce the same: Default attribute: [lc=""] "patrick's" "day" [] {0,4} "green"

spaces inside words
 the spaces inside words such as *do n't* or *ca n't* indicate that these words are tokenized as two tokens: *do - not* and *can - not* respectively

that kinda bar . Chicago is completely Irish on St
 Year selection of emerald , one might predict a St.
 there ca n't be a tour of foods colored green for St.
 affiliate marketing payday . You may already have St.
 15 , 2013 This year , green is n't just for Saint

Patrick's Day . Green
 Patrick's Day overflowing with green
 Patrick's Day without the classic green
 Patrick's Day circled in green
 Patrick's Day . Emerald green

hair green beer green faces green Chicago River .
 ensembles . Aside from the typical college celebrations
 beer . Even a beer purist will join the crowd and
 ink , but have you also made preparations for Plant
 was recently named the Pantone 2013 color of the



MARCH 2017

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[lemma="celebrate"] {1,6} "earth" "day" within <s/>

within searches inside something, e.g. for the word *celebrate* followed by *Earth Day* between 1 and 6 words away inside the same sentence (not at the end of one sentence and the beginning of another).

Default attribute:

<s/> the whole sentence, analogically
 <p/> the whole paragraph,
 <doc/> the whole documents.
 These structures may differ in each corpus, check the corpus info page.

Use **within** to search inside a lexical or grammatical structure, e.g. to find all examples of *agree* inside the structure *whether.....or not*, e.g. *whether others will agree to it or not*
 [lemma="agree"] within [lc="whether"] {2,10}
 [lc="or"] [lc="not"]

Use another within to search inside the same sentence.
 [lemma="agree"] within [lc="whether"] [*
 [lc="or"] [lc="not"] within <s/>
 [*] means any number of words in between

other hospitals nationwide this year in time to go native than this month as we of other across the globe , though we all means to us . </s><s> There is no need to 1969 . </s><s> On April 22 , 1970 , America

celebrating the 40 th anniversary of Earth Day
 celebrate not only Earth Day
 celebrate a very special Earth Day
 celebrate 22 nd April as Earth Day
 celebrated its first Earth Day

on April 22 nd . </s><s> As a major healthcare on April 22 , but also Native Plant Appreciation April 22 and honor Mother Earth in very ; everyday should be treated as Earth Day , with an unparalleled twenty million people

APRIL 2017

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<s/> containing "World" "Press" "Freedom" "Day"

Default attribute:

containing finds all structures (sentences, paragraphs, documents or grammatical or lexical structures containing something, in the example all sentences containing *World Press Freedom Day*.

Using <s/>, <p/>, <doc/> and other long structures will result in a very long highlighted result. Use view options to change the display from **KWIC** to **Sentence** for practicality.

containing vs. within
both are very similar, the difference lies in what will be highlighted in the result
containing finds the structure, the structure will be highlighted
within finds the word(s) inside a structure, the word(s) will be highlighted

of the press in political transformation .)
ethically . They can lead this debate .
on the continent and throughout the world .
independent studies , dependent upon staffing .
not demand vaccinations for travel to China .

May 3rd marks World Press Freedom Day .
Let us all celebrate World Press Freedom Day !
In 1993 this day was declared World Press Freedom Day .
Letter from America : Celebrating World Press Freedom Day
Another World Press Freedom Day rolls along on 3 May .

While we pause to honor those journalists who
Trying to guess what big politician and always
As a way of commemorating this important day
UNESCO will convene its annual World Press
Seminars and rallies are to be held , prizes



MAY 2017

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[word="[A-Z]{2,4}"] []?
[lemma="stand"] [lc="for"]

The search finds acronyms used together with *stand for*.
? makes the preceding element optional, in this case []? means one or no word between the acronym and *stand for*
regular expression explained:
[A-Z] any capital letter from A to Z
{2,4} repetitions, i.e. between 2 and 4 repetitions of any uppercase letter e.g. OSN, RAM, BA, CMOS etc.

examples:
[A-Z][0-9][A-Z] will find B2B, B2C, C2C, H2O, W3C
[A-Z][0-9]?[A-Z] will find B2B, W3C but also WC
(the digit is optional)
[msn]end will find mend, send, vend
[msn]?end will find mend, send, vend and end
(the first letter is optional)

website and that too with very little efforts . UX & natural and technological hazards is an effective tool . , 4 % nickel , 4 % copper and 0.3 % niobium . The tabletop system from Sony , the XDR-S3HD . Unlike about something good . Life is all about choices !

UI Design stands for
SMUG stands for
PH designation stands for
HDTV which stands for
CMS stands for

User Experience & User Interface Design respectively
Seriousness , Manageability , Urgency and Growth
" precipitation hardening . " Its properties can
High Definition Television , the HD in HD Radio stands
Content Management System is application software

GPRSUX
CMOS S
UX CMS UI
HDTV

JUNE 2017

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"(inter)?national"?
the first word is optional and
the prefix is optional too

"(inter)?national"? "bikini" "day"

"[\.\?!:]"/>

The search finds sentences ending with
words *international bikini day*. `</s>`
marks the end of a sentence.

To search for sentences starting with
the phrase, put `<s>` at the beginning

"[\.\?!:]"/>

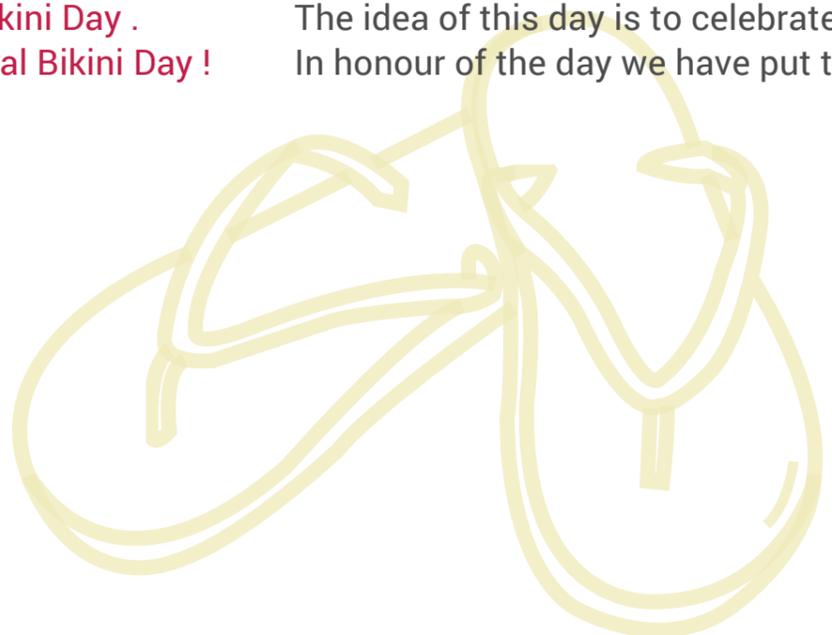
Default attribute:

the selected default attribute
will be used for each token
without an attribute, this
avoids typing `[lc=" "]` for each
token

Today looks to be a great day to celebrate
, in the Marshall Islands , establishing
beach . But did you know July 5 is known as
Reard and since then it is celebrated as
swimsuit , and so the 5th July is celebrated as

Bikini Day .
International Bikini Day .
Bikini Day ?
Bikini Day .
National Bikini Day !

Bikini's were the invention of Parisian
Réard's design was much smaller than Heim's
Yes , this very day in 1946 , the bikini
The idea of this day is to celebrate the
In honour of the day we have put together



JULY 2017

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(meet [tag="N.*"]
[word="lefth.*"] -2 2)

Meet finds and highlights words/tokens found in the specified context, in this case nouns surrounded by words beginning *left* within 2 words to the left or right.

Meet can be used instead of a token inside another query, e.g. to find verbs preceding the above nouns:
[tag="V.*"] [{"0,3} (meet [tag="N.*"] [word="lefth.*"] -2 2)

observed on August 13 of each year by many population . On one hand , throughout the among the artist was actually a lefthander . is designated International Lefthanders persecuted . On the other hand , it is said that

lefthanders
centuries
Leonardo
Day
lefthanders'

since 1976 , Left-handers Day was declared lefthanders have suffered not only from Da Vinci and Michelangelo Buonarotti Coeval by lefthanders International . It was first brains are structured differently , they



AUGUST 2017

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(union
 (meet [lemma="literacy"] [tag="N.*"] 1 2)
 (meet [lemma="literate"] [tag="R.*"] -2 -1))

This query will combine the results of two **meet** queries and will display them combined in the same concordance.

The first **meet** query finds instances of *literacy* followed by a noun, the second query finds instances of *illiterate* preceded by an adverb.

under people's noses . People are becoming visually organizations worldwide set to celebrate International daytime classes can continue . As well as teaching basic 25 per cent . The 1981 census gives these figures : prime historical example of the transition to a really

literate
Literacy
literacy
literacy
literate

. There are exciting new developments all the time Day on September 8th . To join in the celebration , Mayor skills the unit also teaches maths and numeracy . amongst men 32.9 per cent ; amongst women 14.8 per society ' . It is important to bear this definition



SEPTEMBER | 2017

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[lc="international"] ~10"coffee-n" [lc="day"]

this CQL uses information from the thesaurus to look up phrases containing words similar to the word *coffee*
~10"coffee-n" will search for the top 10 words from the thesaurus for the noun *coffee*

~"coffee-n" when no number is used, Sketch Engine will determine it automatically based on the size of the corpus
type the word as lempos, i.e. work-n, work-v, good-j, quickly-a

, and Sweden . - The first known celebration of an or dark everyone loves chocolate ! And as today is celebration of all the things that make a brew special . stories , history , ingredients and how it 's made . and instead head out to your local cafe to celebrate

International Coffee Day
International Chocolate Day
International Beer Day
International Beer Day
International Coffee Day

was in Japan in 1983 , celebrated on October 1st , we thought we would investigate chocolate a little celebrates not only the beer , but also the brewers is a great opportunity to share a glass and have . Since every day ca n't be a coffee holiday , we



OCTOBER | 2017

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1:[tag="N.*"] []{0,3} 2:[tag="V.*"]

& 1.lemma=2.lemma

1: 2: use numbers to label the positions for which a condition should be set

& attaches the global condition

1.lemma = 2.lemma
the lemma of word 1 must be the same as the lemma of word 2.

The query uses global conditions to find instances of potentially clumsy stylistics: nouns followed by verbs derived from the same root, i.e. nouns whose lemma equals the lemma of the verb.

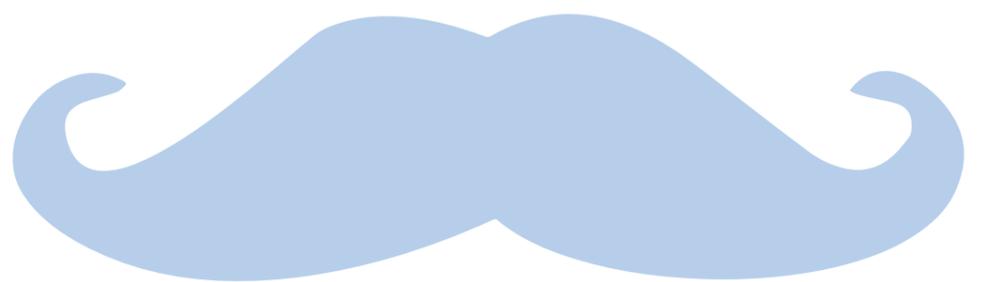
other attributes can be used in global conditions, e.g. 1.tag!=2.tag (tags are not equal)

Excise & VAT) is 66% of the total retail Sir Robert Robinson under whom she was to that now , as she writes : ` I run my own direction . This produces a pressure for agency staff were inclined to dispose of contingency of the authority and as pay

price of a typically priced work was away working design business mainly designing results , which may result records recording awards are awarded

bottle of Scotch Whisky . Over the past for a government department and his students kitchens in appropriate styles for period in reports for discoveries which have n't their mistakes or not to think of information the money we drawn down from that into

MOVEMBER



NOVEMBER 2017

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1:[tag="[NJR].*"]
the first word must be a noun, adjective or adverb (tags starting with N, J and R)

"have|will"? "be"
words like *will be*, *has been* must be between the words, *have* and *will* are optional

**1:[tag="[NJR].*"]
"have|will"? "be" 2:[]
& 1.lc=2.lc within <s/>**

within <s/>
ensures the whole phrase is within the same sentence

& 1.lc=2.lc global condition saying that the word form of the first position must be the same as that of the second position (lc makes it case insensitive)

Default attribute: lemma ▾

The query finds instances of phrases such as *enough is enough* and *boys will be boys*.

enough is enough
enough was enough
life is life

people are people
past is past
flesh is flesh

bygones be bygones
boys will be boys
men were men
rules are rules

fair 's fair
children are children
business is business
men are men



DECEMBER 2017

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