1) Features
- Rich, unified, formalised, XML-based document format for the representation of linguistically annotated resources (incl. corpora)
- Facilitates resource exchange & interoperability
- Specific support for many linguistic annotation types
- Language & vocabulary (tagset) agnostic: external set definitions
- Focus on practical usability: lots of open-source tools and libraries
- In active use & development for over 7 years

2) Architecture

3) Tools
- Validators
- Converters
- Visualisation
- Analysis/statistics
- Libraries (Python, C++)

4) Software & Data
- NLP tools (Frog, ucto, TICCL, etc.)
- search tools (MTAS, Black-/Whitelab)
- annotation editors (FLAT)
- corpora (SoNaR, Nederlab, Basilex, etc.)

5) Python Library

```
$ pip install pynlpl
> from pynlpl import folia
> doc = folia.Document(file="doc.xml")
> for word in doc.words():
    ....
```

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