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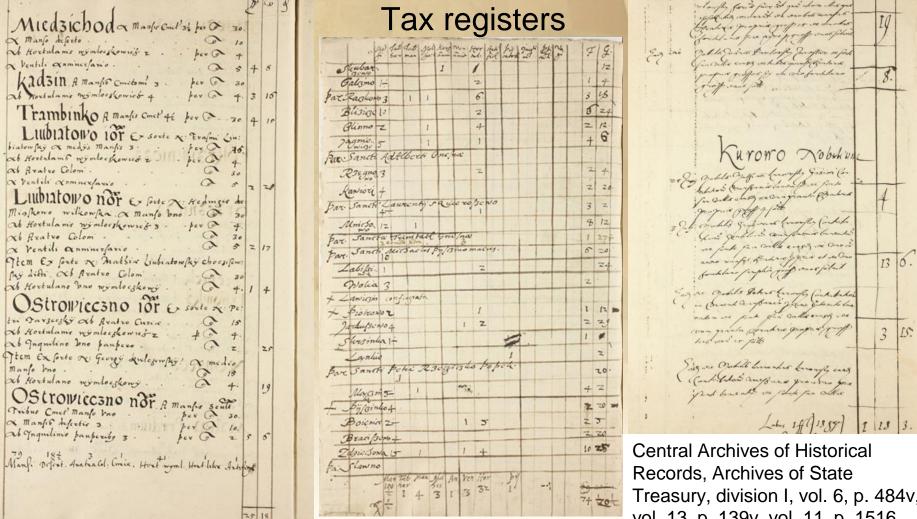
Historical Atlas of Poland - history of the project

1880 - general idea: reconstruction of the settlement network and administrative structures in the 16th cent.

1953 - founding of the atlas team and start of the series

2020 - project and series completion





Records, Archives of State Treasury, division I, vol. 6, p. 484v, vol. 13, p. 139v, vol. 11, p. 1516

Data from tax registers

The character of settlement, its name, taxed categories

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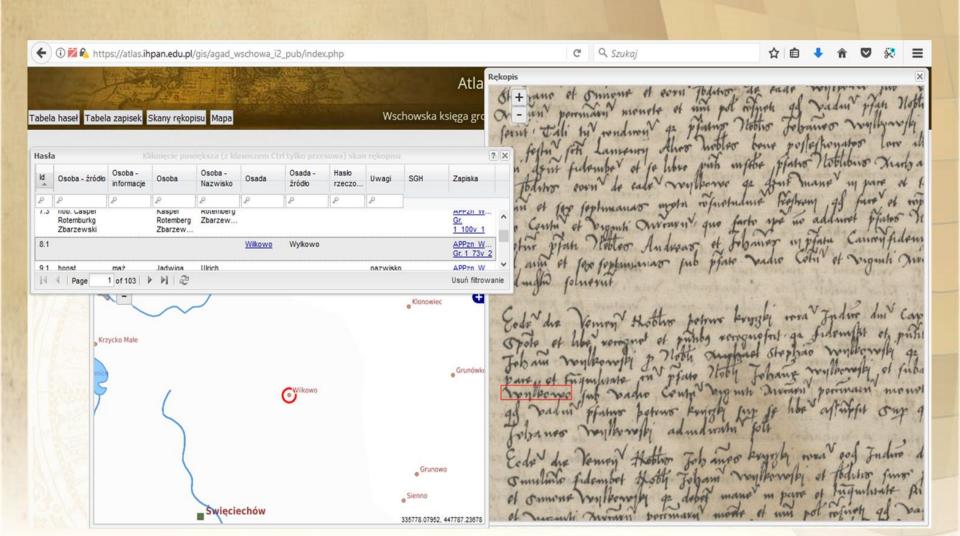
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Map

GIS Datbase

Footnotes



c.a. 25 000 settlements

c.a. 70 000 pages of manuscripts

hundreds of different hands and writing styles

c.a. 250 000 headlines with settlements names

Material used in the model

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Characteristics

Changing of the hands in one registers volume

Variation of the language (polish, latin, polish/latin)

Irregular abbreviations

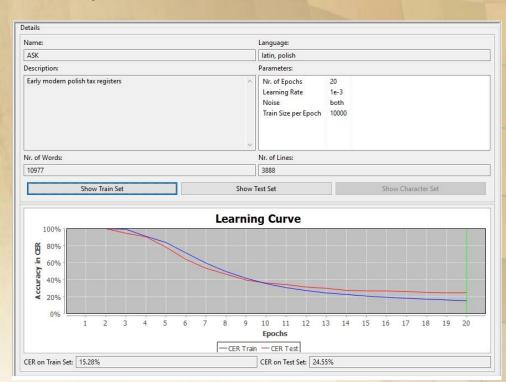
Different styles of writing in the headlines and in the main text

HTR(CITIab) Model

Nr. of Words: 10 977

CER on Train Set: 15.28%

CER on Test Set: 24.55%



An example of the automatic text recognition

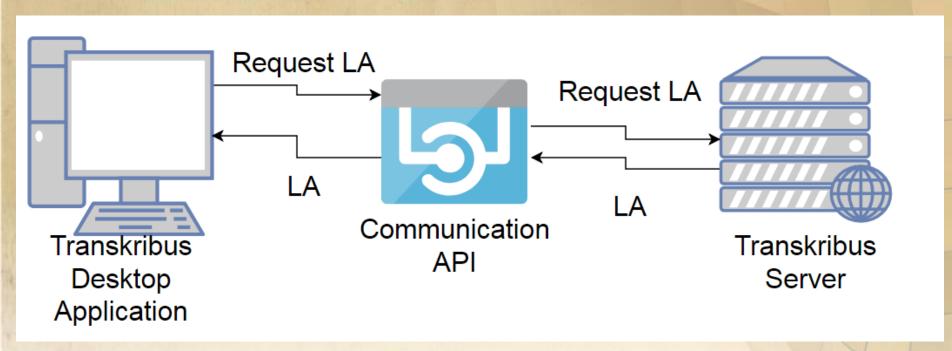
Proper recognition of frequently used words and abbreviations

Worse recognition of rarely used words and abbreviations

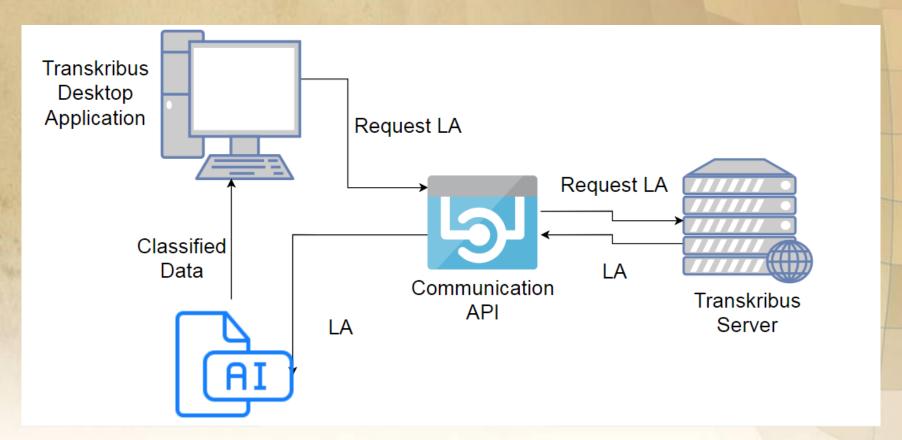
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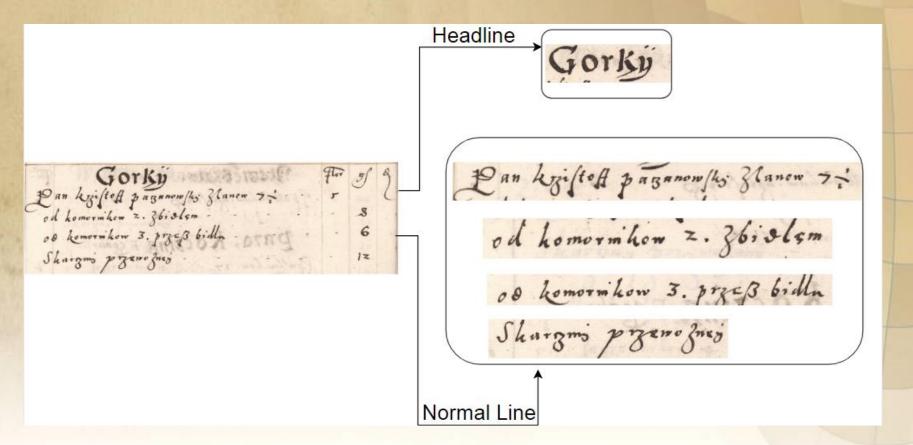
Classification tool for headlines



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Tool selection - Convolutional Neural Network

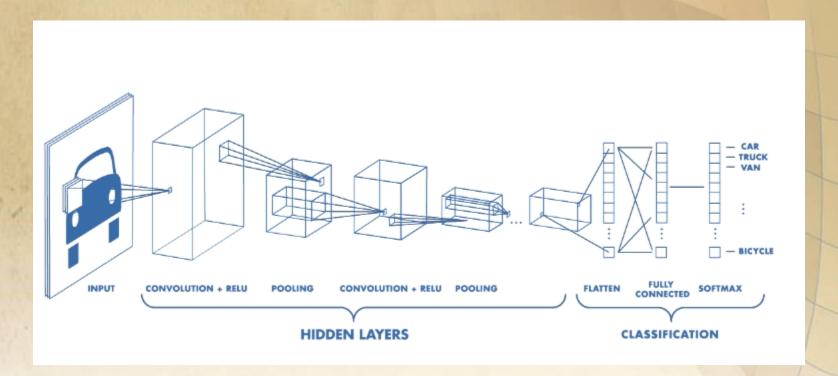


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Challenges - Image normalization

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