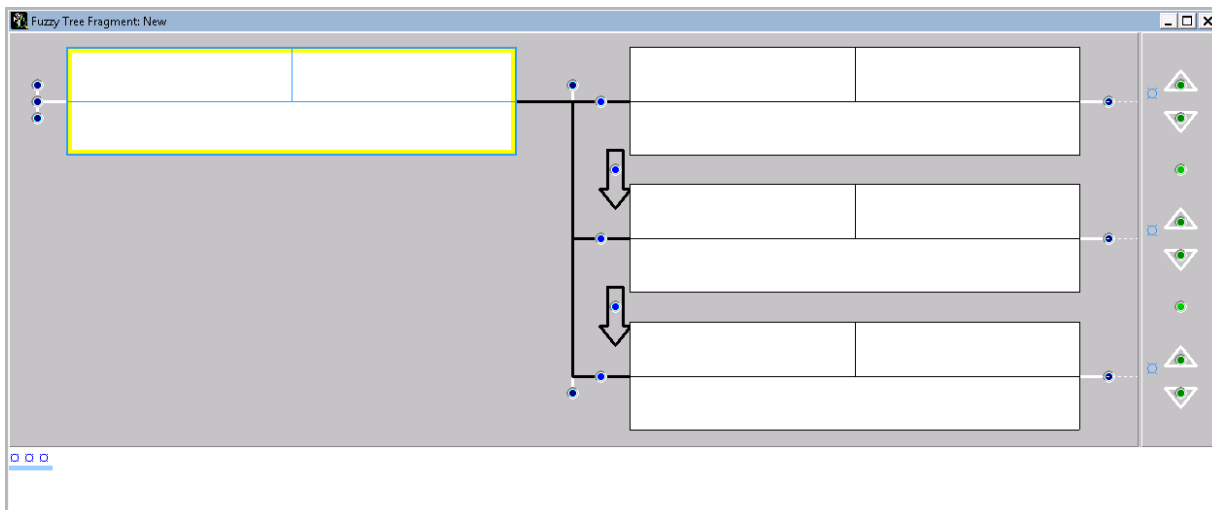


# "Give s.o. s.th." vs. "give s.th. to s.o." in the International Corpus of English (Using ICE-CUP)

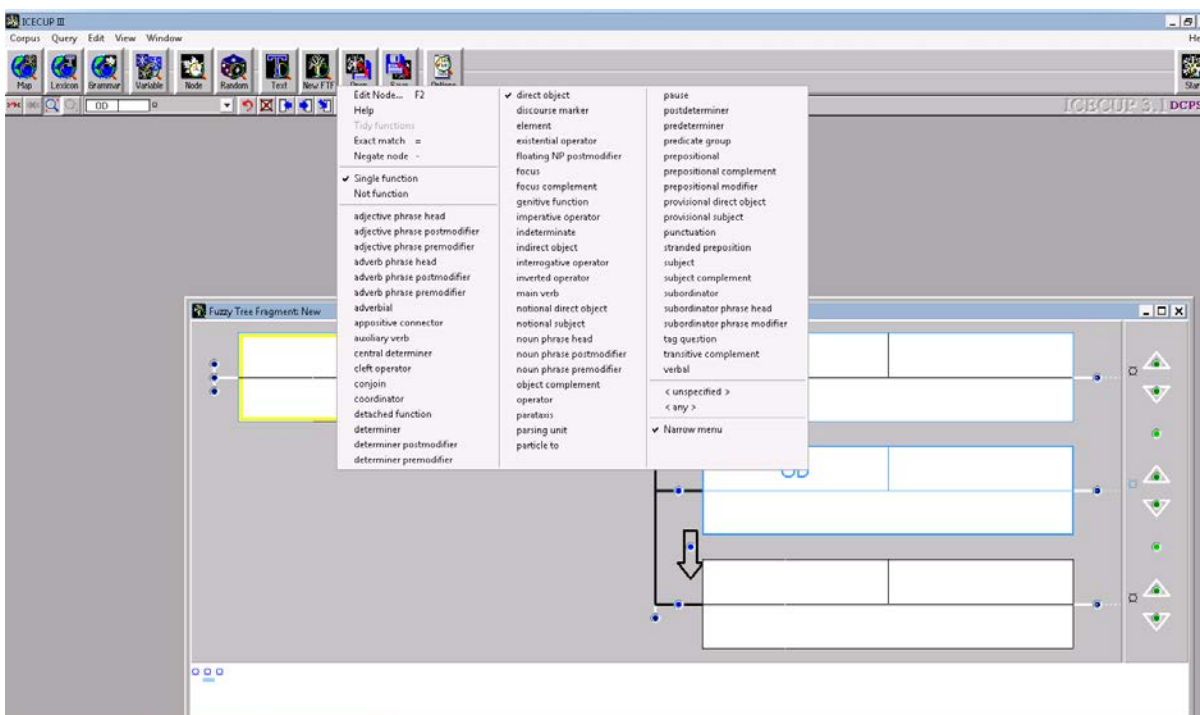


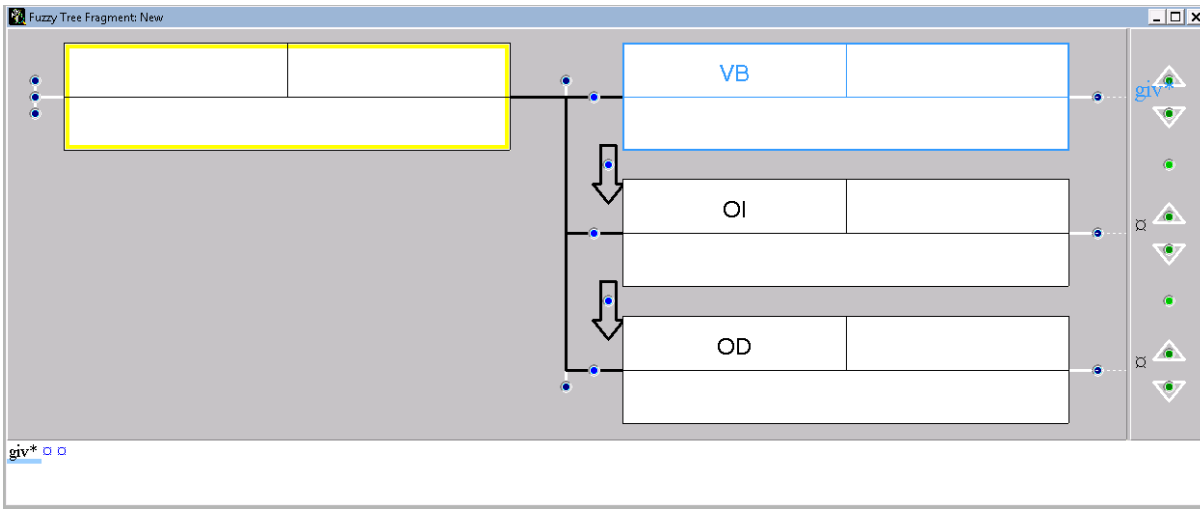
1. Start ICE-CUP Open "New FTF"

2. Create a FTF (using:  )

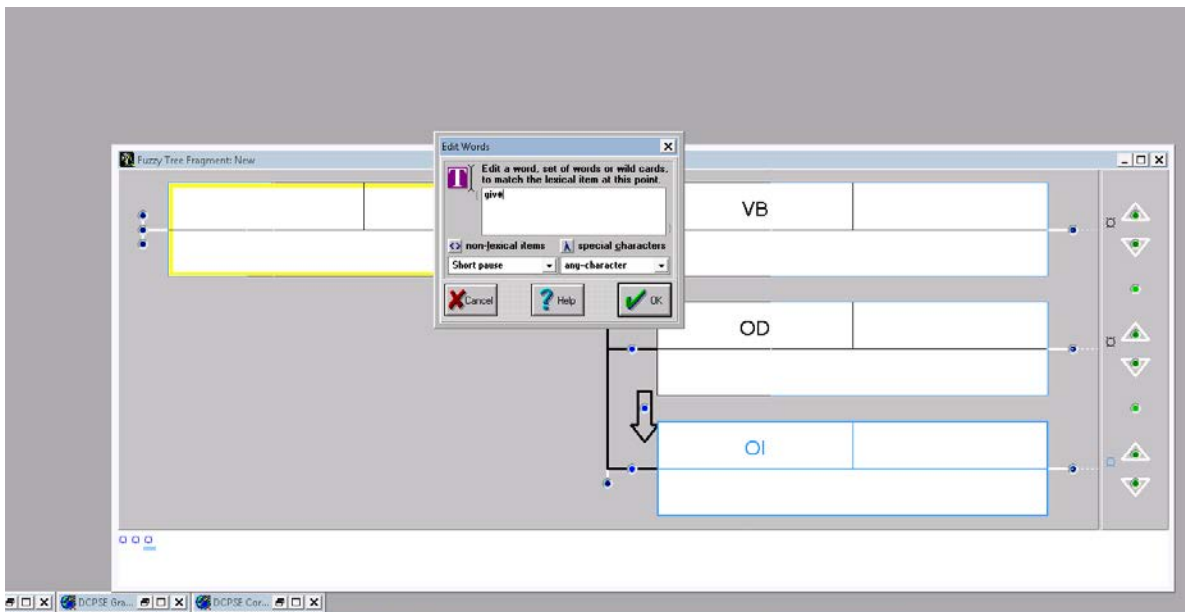


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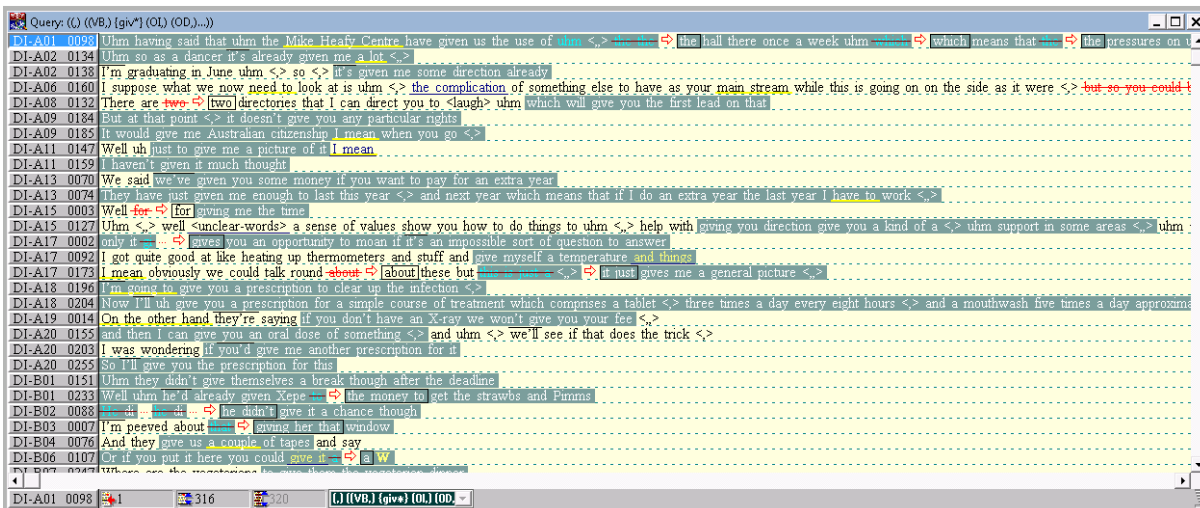


#### 4. Edit words



#### 5. Press „Start“

#### 6. Get results



## Results of our mini project:

"Give s.o. s.th." : 316

"give s.th. to s.o." : 43

The image shows two screenshots of a concordance search tool. The left window displays results for the search pattern '(V) (giv\*) (OD) (APP) (to)...)' with 43 results. The right window displays results for the search pattern '(V) (giv\*) (OI) (OD)...)' with 316 results. Both windows show text excerpts with highlighted search terms and numbered entries.

## What motivates their choice?

(hint: count pronouns vs. full NPs)

→ we have analyzed the ditransitive verb 'give' and the position of its objects

→ the data suggests that one combination is used more frequently: give O<sub>i</sub> O<sub>d</sub>

→ there is a tendency to put short entities, like pronouns, directly after the verb; longer entities are pushed to the end of the sentence