

# Summer School “Digitale Edition”

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mit digitalen Methoden

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# TEI-Vertiefung 2

## Transkription, Text und Bild



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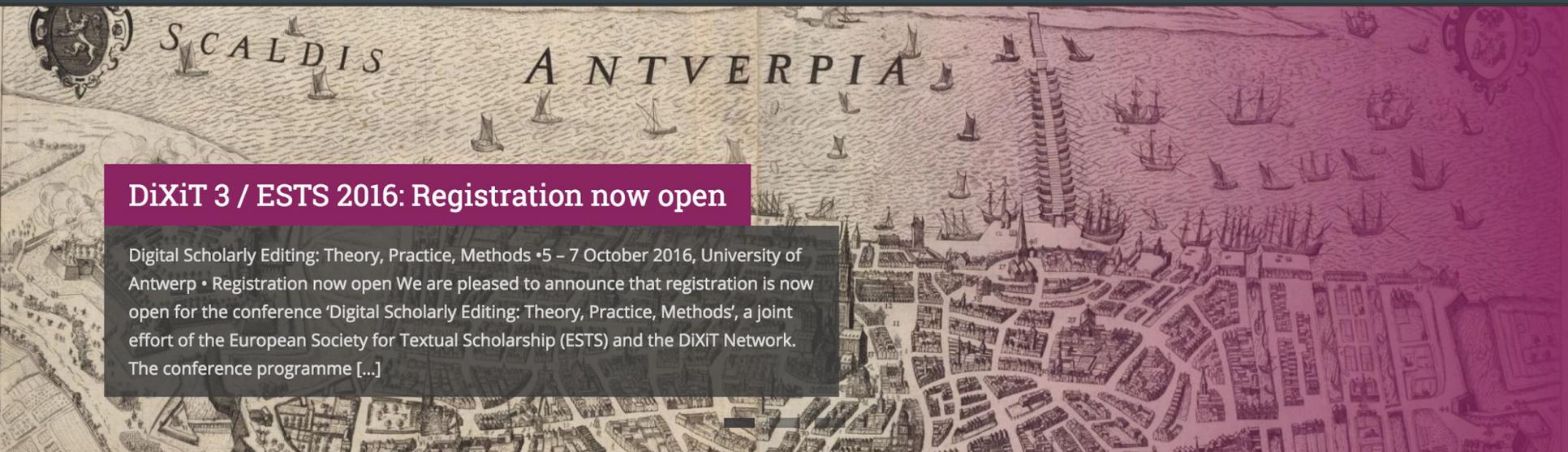


Digital Scholarly Editions  
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**01-transcription**



## DiXIT 3 / ESTS 2016: Registration now open

Digital Scholarly Editing: Theory, Practice, Methods •5 – 7 October 2016, University of Antwerp • Registration now open We are pleased to announce that registration is now open for the conference 'Digital Scholarly Editing: Theory, Practice, Methods', a joint effort of the European Society for Textual Scholarship (ESTS) and the DiXIT Network. The conference programme [...]

<http://uahost.uantwerpen.be/estsdixit2016/>

## Home

# Digital Scholarly Editing: Theory, Practice, Methods

*This thirteenth annual conference of the European Society for Textual Scholarship (ESTS), is organized in conjunction with the Digital Scholarly Editing Initial Training Network (DiXiT) and hosted by the Centre for Manuscript Genetics at the University of Antwerp, Belgium.*

**5-7 October 2016**

*Keynote speakers:*

**Kathryn Sutherland and Paul Eggert**

*Guests of honour:*

**Hans Walter Gabler and Peter Shillingsburg**

As digital publications are reaching a stage of maturity and scholarly editors are becoming increasingly aware of the seemingly endless possibilities of hybrid or fully Digital Scholarly Editions, the impact of the digital medium on the field of Textual Criticism has become undeniable. As a result of this 'digital turn', textual scholars are now faced with new

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## Bursaries

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of [Digital Humanities Flanders \(DHuF\)](#) and [DiXiT](#), we will be able to offer five competitive bursaries. These bursaries take the form of a **reimbursement fee** that can be used to help cover travel and accommodation expenses.

### Eligibility

The bursaries are intended to help early career scholars defray their costs of attending the conference. More specifically, we especially invite applications from undergraduate and master students, PhD students and candidates, and postdoctoral researchers who were awarded their PhD less than five years before the opening date of the conference.

### Terms

Successful applicants will be awarded a bursary of **€250** to help defray expenses incurred in attending the conference. The bursary can be used to cover **registration**, **travel**, and **accommodation** expenses paid by the recipient. To be reimbursed for their expenses, recipients will be required to produce all relevant original bills, receipts, etc. to be attached to a signed expense form provided by the host institution. Recipients will be reimbursed as soon as possible after the

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## What's up next:

- More tags
- Link transcription to documents

# More Tags

**focus: handwritten materials**

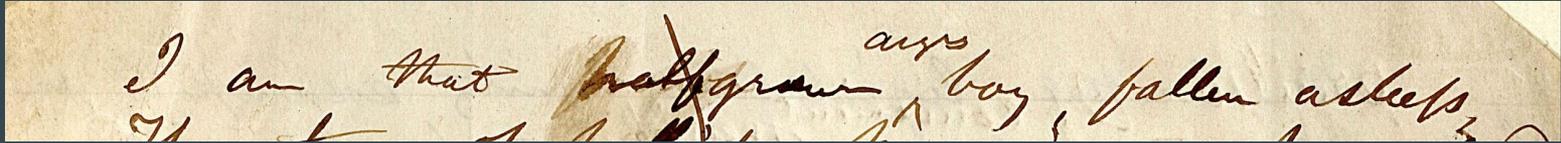
# Disclaimer:

- This is the **TEI** we're talking about. There is not **ONE WAY** of encoding things. So this is not **THE WAY** of transcribing documents: it is **A WAY**. You can do it differently if you want. Just:
  - Be consistent
  - Document everything
- This is a selection of tags, with a selection of attributes. Most of these tags have many more attributes, and many more uses.

I am that ~~half grown~~ <sup>ays</sup> boy fallen asleep

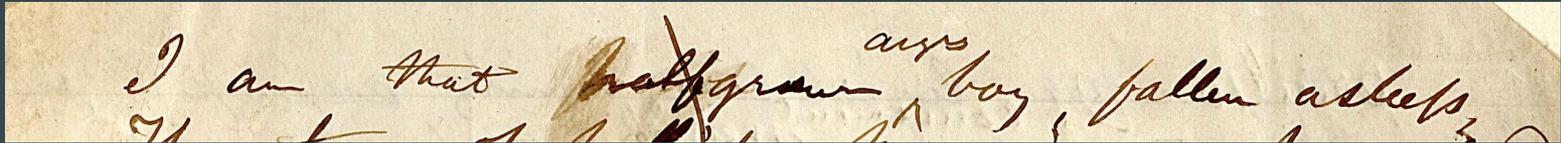
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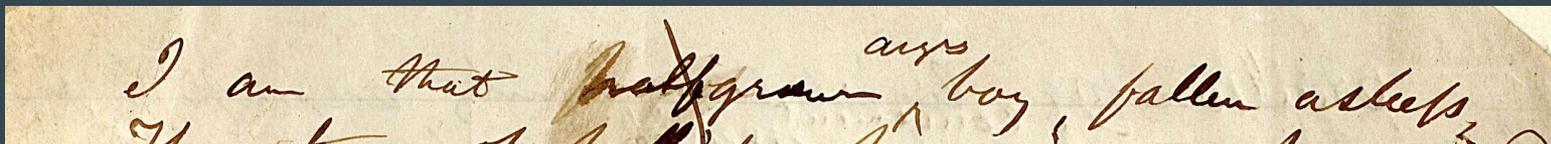
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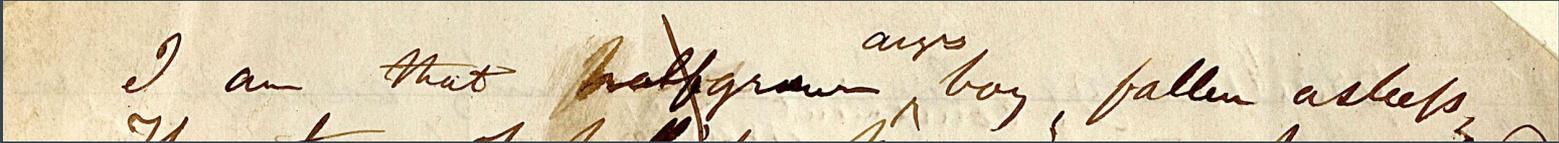
I am that <unclear>halfgrown</unclear> angry boy, fallen asleep

Optional: @reason (why illegible? Smudge, ink stain, crossed out, bad handwriting, ...)

I am that <unclear reason="smudge">halfgrown</unclear> angry boy, fallen asleep

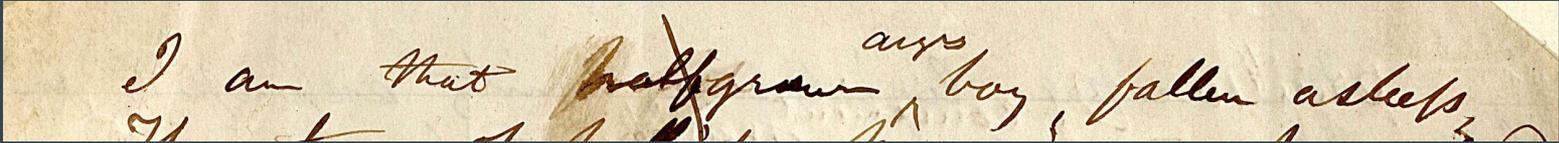
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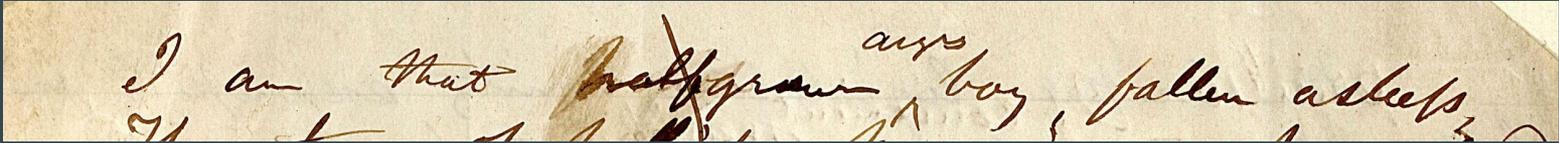
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I am that <gap unit="words" quantity="1"/> angry boy, fallen asleep

Optional: @reason (why omitted? Illegible, sampling, irrelevant, cancelled, ...)

I am that <gap unit="words" quantity="1" reason="illegible"/> angry boy, fallen asleep

# <damage>

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Optional: @agent (cause of damage? Fire, water, ink, cut, tear, ...)

I am that <damage agent="cut"><gap unit="words" quantity="1"/></damage> angry boy, fallen  
asleep

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Optional: **@reason** (Why supplied? Damage, omission, faded ink, lost folio, ...)

# Summary

<unclear>

*“There’s something there, and I think I can read it, but I’m not sure.”*

<gap>

*“There’s something there, but I’ve omitted it (e.g. because I can’t read it at all).”*

<damage>

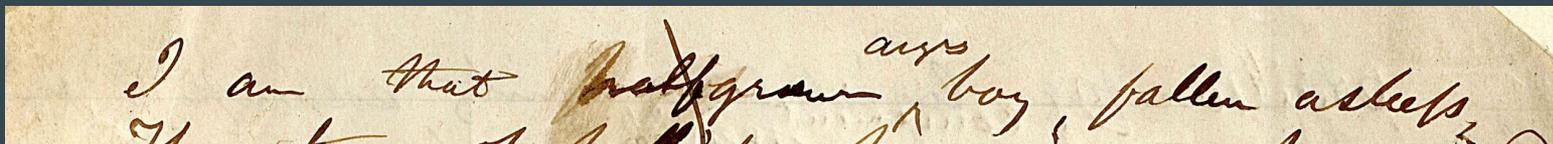
*“The document is damaged, which makes it difficult to determine the original text (or if there even is any).”*

<supplied>

*“As an editor, I’ve decided to add this piece of text, that isn’t actually on the document.”*

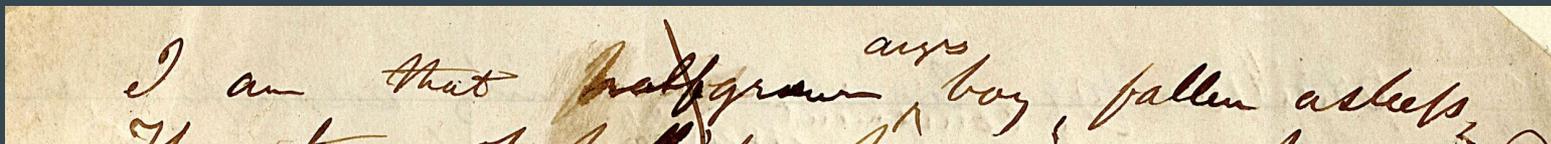
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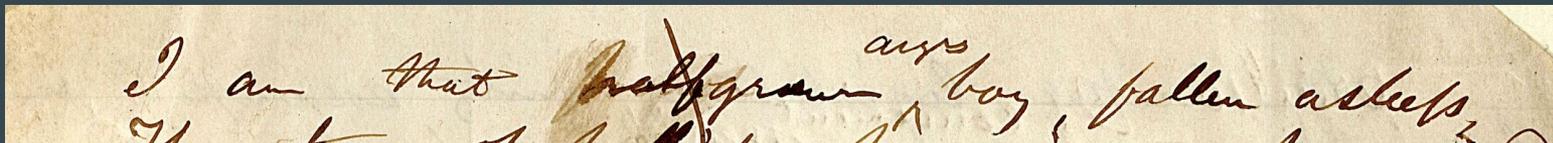
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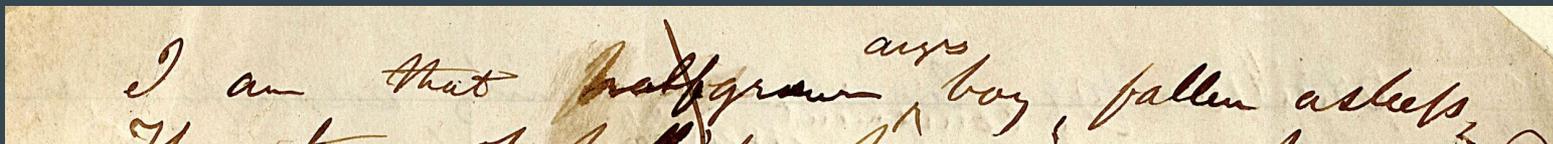
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Optional: @type (what kind of deletion? Crossed out, overwritten, underlined, underdot, erased ... )

I am that <del type="crossedOut">halfgrown</del> angry boy, fallen asleep

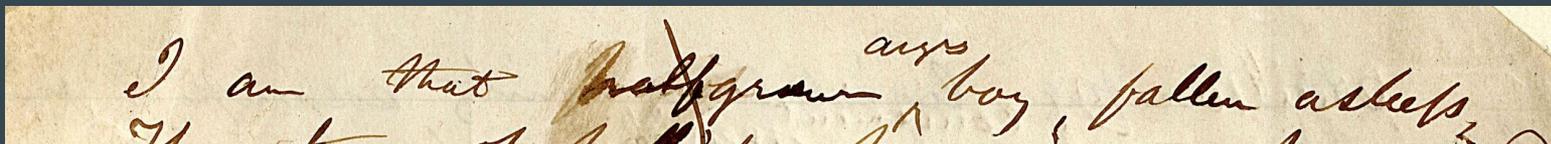
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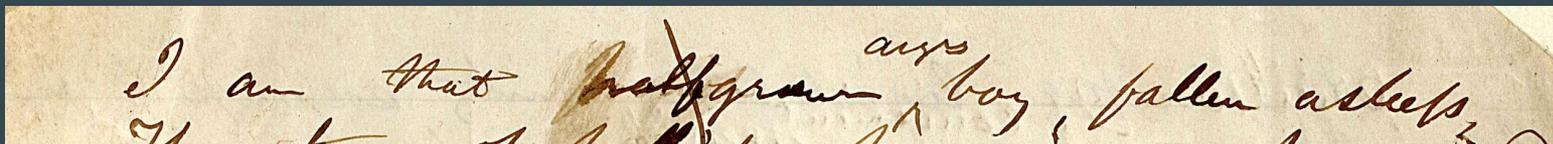
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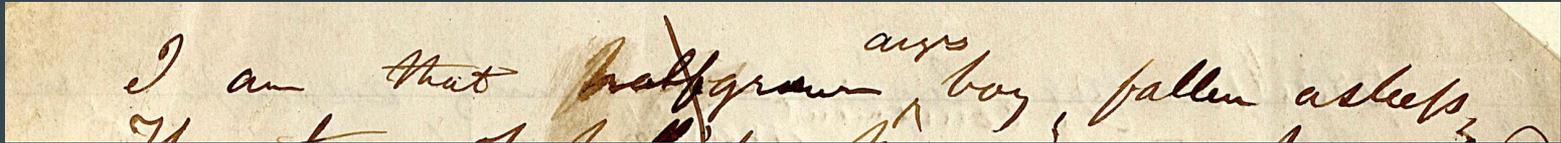
I am that halfgrown <add>angry</add> boy, fallen asleep

Optional: @place (where inserted? Supralinear, sublinear, margin, facing leaf, ... )

I am that halfgrown <add place="supralinear">angry</add> boy, fallen asleep

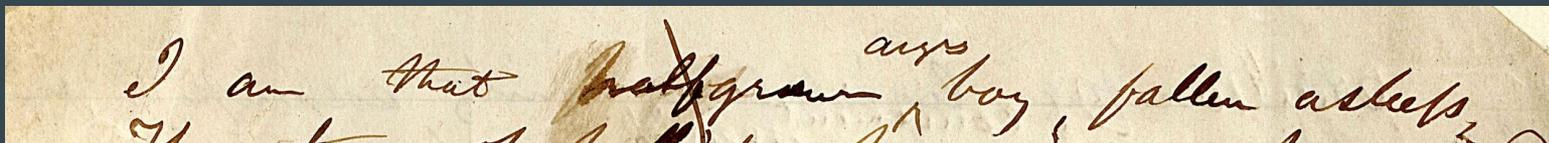
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</subst>

boy, fallen asleep

# <restore>

<restore> indicates restoration of text to an earlier state by cancellation of an editorial or authorial marking or instruction.

Where now? When now? Who now? ~~Unquestioning!~~

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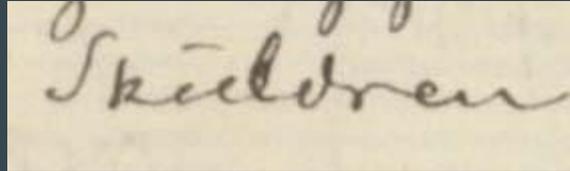
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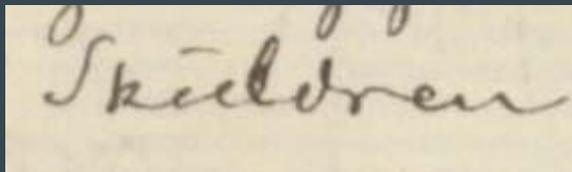
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Sku<retrace>l</retrace>dren

# Summary

<del> (or <add>)

*“This text has been deleted (or added).”*

<subst>

*“As an editor, I interpret this combination of addition(s) and deletion(s) as a substitution.”*

<restore>

*“The original reading has been restored (e.g. by deleting a deletion).”*

<retrace>

*“The same thing was written on top of itself (e.g. to make it clearer)”*

# Spans

TEI Guidelines  
Figure 11.9. From "I  
am that halfgrown  
angry boy" (MS q  
25), David M.  
Rubenstein Rare  
Book & Manuscript  
Library, Duke  
University. See:  
[http://www.tei-c.org/r  
elease/doc/tei-p5-doc  
/en/html/PH.html#P  
H-meta](http://www.tei-c.org/release/doc/tei-p5-doc/en/html/PH.html#PH-meta)

I am that halfgrown <sup>angry</sup> boy, fallen asleep,  
The tears of foolish passion yet undried  
upon my cheeks,

years with all their events pass for me,  
Some are spent in travel — some in the ~~hunt~~  
usual hunt ~~for~~ after fortune.

I pass through <sup>the</sup> travels and fortunes of others  
years, and become old,  
Each in its due order comes and goes,  
And then a message for me comes.

The

Entered - Yes

# Spans

**<delSpan>** (deleted span of text) marks the beginning of a longer sequence of text deleted, marked as deleted, or otherwise signaled as superfluous or spurious by an author, scribe, annotator, or corrector.

**<addSpan>** (added span of text) marks the beginning of a longer sequence of text added by an author, scribe, annotator or corrector (see also add).

**<damageSpan>** (damaged span of text) marks the beginning of a longer sequence of text which is damaged in some way but still legible.

# Spans

= Solution for problem of overlapping hierarchies.

=> start & end point = 'empty element' (like <lb/>, <pb/>, <cb/>, <gap/>, ... )

**START:** <delSpan/> (or: <addSpan/>, or <damageSpan/>)

**STOP:** <anchor/>

# Spans

`<delSpan/>`

```
<lg> I am that halfgrown <add>angry</add> boy, fallen asleep > [...]</lg>
```

```
<lg> text of line group 2</lg>
```

```
<lg> text of line group 3</lg>
```

`<anchor/>`

# Spans

`<delSpan/>`

```
<lg> I am that halfgrown <add>angry</add> boy, fallen asleep [...]</lg>
```

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`<anchor/>`

BUT: we need to **link** the two together.

=> `<anchor/>` gets `@xml:id` -- `<delSpan>` gets `@spanTo`

# Spans

Linking with @xml:id and @spanTo

Step 1: identify the <anchor/> with @xml:id

@xml:id (identifier) provides a unique identifier for the element bearing the attribute.

Formal requirements:

- No fancy characters: letters (a-z; A-Z), numbers (0-9), underscore (\_), dash (-)
- Starts with a letter or underscore
- Has to be unique (no 2 identical xml:id's in 1 document)
- Length may vary

(oXygen will tell you if you're doing it wrong)

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<lg> text of line group 3</lg>
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```
<anchor xml:id="anchor1"/>
```

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Step 2: Refer to `<anchor/>` in `@spanTo`

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Value of @spanTo = referenced xml:id *preceded by a hashtag (#)!*

```
<delSpan spanTo="#anchor1"/>
```

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```

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<lg> text of line group 2</lg>
```

```
<lg> text of line group 3</lg>
```

```
<anchor xml:id="anchor1"/>
```

# Spans

Empty elements = good way of avoiding overlapping hierarchies

```
<lg> I am that <delSpan spanTo="#anchor1"/>halfgrown <add>angry</add> boy, fallen asleep [...]</lg>
```

```
<lg> text of line group 2</lg>
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# Exercise

Work in pairs to decipher and encode the entire passage, using the tags that we've seen so far.

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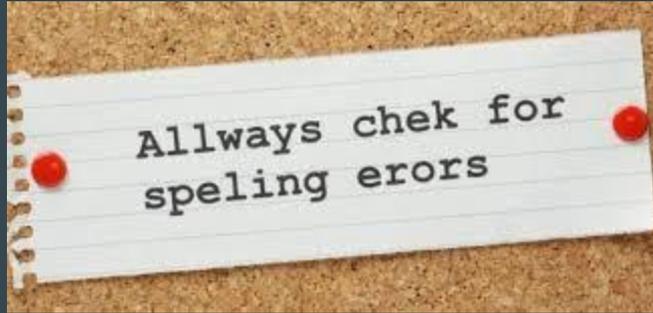
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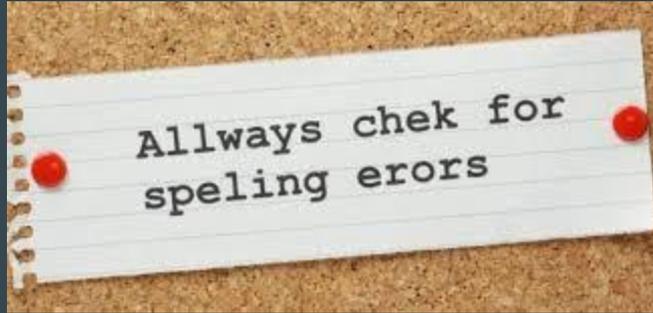
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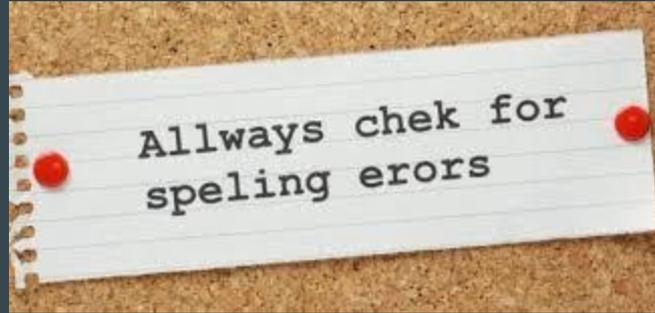
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<sic>Allways</sic> <sic>chek</sic> for <sic>speling</sic> <sic>erors</sic>

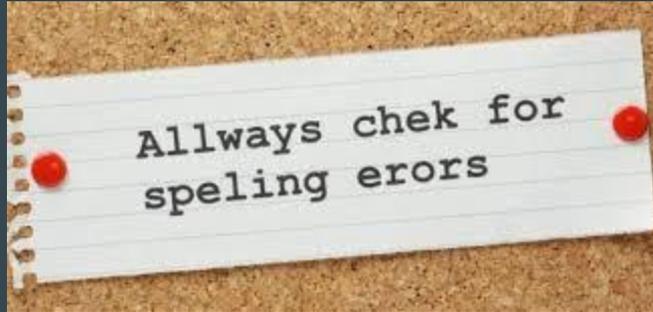
## <corr>

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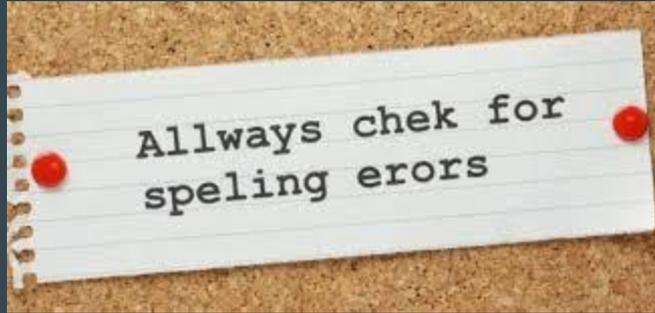
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<corr>Always</corr> <corr>check</corr> for <corr>spelling</corr> <corr>errors</corr>

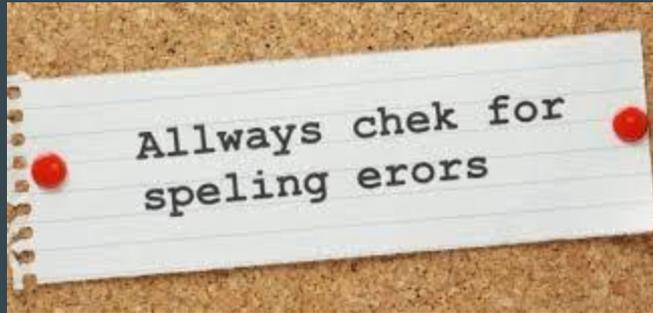
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</choice>
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# <choice> - corrections

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</choice>
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# <choice> – abbreviations

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```
<choice>  
  <abbr>i|d|e</abbr>  
  <expn>Institut für Dokumentologie und Editorik</expn>  
</choice>
```

# <choice> – regularizations

Or for regularizations (e.g. old spelling):

<orig> (original form) contains a reading which is marked as following the original, rather than being normalized or corrected.

<reg> (regularization) contains a reading which has been regularized or normalized in some sense.

“how godly a dede it is to overthrowe so wicked a race the world may judge: for my part I thinke there cannot be a greater sacryfice to God.”

# Exercise

Mr. Greene did o'erthrowe Colonel Mustard with a kitchen naif.

# <metamark>

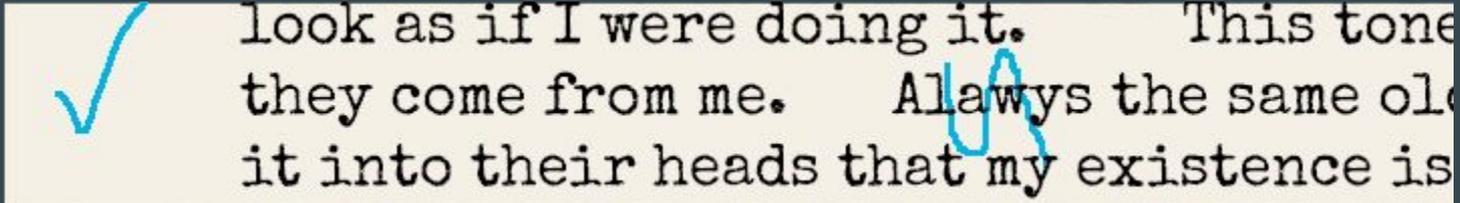
<metamark> **contains or describes** any kind of graphic or written signal within a document the function of which is to determine how it should be read rather than forming part of the actual content of the document.



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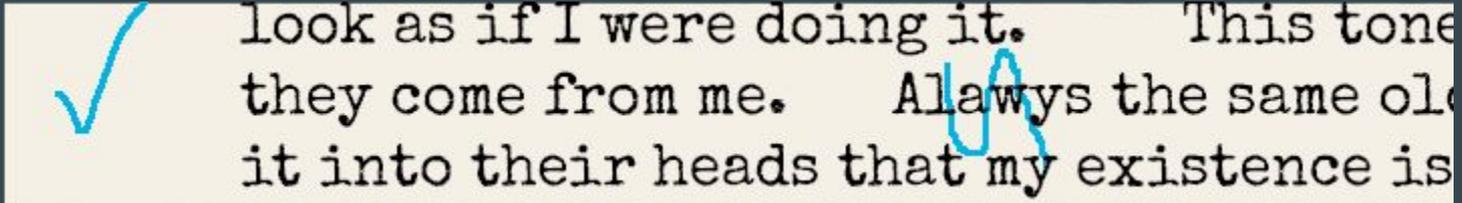


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```

But where do we put it?

# <metamark>



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E.g. treat it like an addition:

```
they come from me. <add place="marginleft"><metamark function="proofreading">checkmark  
</metamark></add> Always the same old
```

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<seg> (arbitrary segment) represents any segmentation of text below the 'chunk' level.

Step 1: wrapping a <seg> around the individual parts of the transposition

✓ look as if I were doing it. This tone  
they come from me. Always the same old  
it into their heads that my existence is

Al<seg>a</seg><seg>w</seg>ys

# <transpose>

<seg> (arbitrary segment) represents any segmentation of text below the 'chunk' level.

Step 2: identifying the <seg>s with @xml:id

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```
A1<seg xml:id="trans1">a</seg><seg xml:id="trans2">w</seg>ys
```

# <transpose>

<ptr> (pointer) defines a pointer to another location.

Step 3: listing the transposition in <transpose> with <ptr>s

```
<listTranspose>
```

```
  <transpose>
```

```
    <ptr target= "#trans2"/>
```

```
    <ptr target= "#trans1"/>
```

```
  </transpose>
```

```
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```

```
<ptr target= "#trans1"/>
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```

```
</listTranspose>
```

## Mind!

- Hashtags
- First 2, then 1 (corrected order)

# <transpose>

## Where to put it?

<listTranspose> can be nested inside a lot of different elements (including <p>), but you may want to put them all together (= list), so it makes sense to put it in <teiHeader>. You can put it as a direct child of <profileDesc>.

# Alternative Readings (open variants)

What is it?

When a document offers two (or more) alternatives for the same reading, this is called an open variant. At this stage in the writing process, the decision which of the variants will eventually make it into the final, published text is left open.

Example:

That is <sup>soon said</sup> an easy thing to say.

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```
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said</add>
```

# Alternative Readings (open variants)

How to encode?

Step 2: identify the elements with @xml:id

That is <sup>soon said</sup> an easy thing to say.

```
That is <seg type="alternative" xml:id="alt1">an easy thing to say.</seg>  
<add type="alternative" xml:id="alt2">soon said</add>
```

# Alternative Readings (open variants)

<alt> (alternation) identifies an alternation or a set of choices among elements or passages.

Step 3: mark the alteration of both variants with <alt/>



That is <sup>soon said</sup> an easy thing to say.

```
That is <seg type="alternative" xml:id="alt1">an easy thing to say.</seg>  
<add type="alternative" xml:id="alt2">soon said</add>
```

```
<alt target="#alt1 #alt2"/>
```

# Exercise

Where now? When now? Who now? ~~Unquestioning.~~ ~~without asking~~ stet  
*What*

**A Word of Advice:**  
**Think Before You Transcribe**

# Think Before you Transcribe

It's not because it's there, and there's a way to encode it, that you should.

- What do I want to say about the document?
- What do I want to do with the elements and attributes that I have encoded?

Examples:

Shelley-Godwin Archive (<http://shelleygodwinarchive.org/>)

Beckett Digital Manuscript Project (<http://www.beckettarchive.org/>)

# References

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