# On PL partial concord in Lunigiana varieties

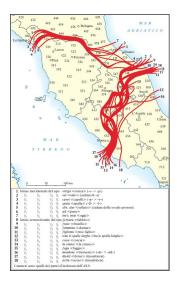
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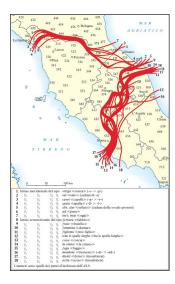
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lup-Ø wolf-м

*lup-a* wolf-F

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- $\sqrt{n} + n + \#$  (Marantz 2007)
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Bagnone	lup- <mark>i</mark> -a	l -a lup- <mark>i</mark> -a			
Filattiera	lup -a	i-a lup -a			
Colonnata Bagnone	lup-i-a lup-i-a	l-i-a lup -a l -a lup-i-a			

PL partial concord - Lunigiana varieties (IT)

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Colonnata	l- <mark>i</mark> -a bel -a lup -a				
Treschietto	l -a bel- <mark>i</mark> -a lup-i-a				
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## Outline

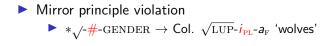
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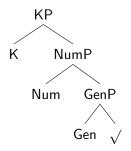
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- ▶ PL is higher than F
- Phonology linearizes PL to the left of F

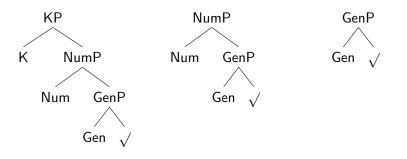
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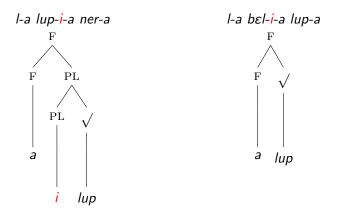
- Partial concord targets the highest head
  - "categories can be missing from the top of that hierarchy, but not in the middle" (Caha 2022)
  - "different types of concord as [...] different structures that are trimmed top down"



#### Bagnonese

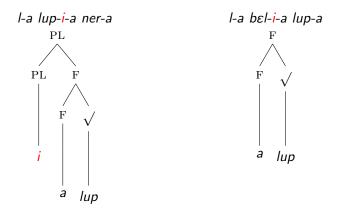
- (1) *l-a lup-i-a ner-a* the-F wolf-PL-F black-F
- (2) *l-a bɛl-i-a lup-a* the-F beautiful-PL-F wolf-F

Linear ordering = hierarchical structure



 PC as removal of an intermediate head, contra Bayırlı (2017) and Caha (2022)

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- Why linear order  $\neq$  hierarchical structure?

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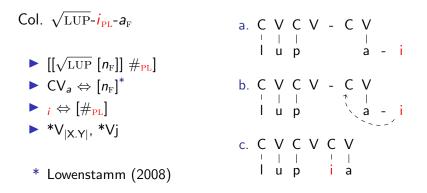
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- $[[\sqrt{\text{LUP}} [n_{\text{F}}]] \#_{\text{PL}}]$   $CV_a \Leftrightarrow [n_{\text{F}}]^*$   $i \Leftrightarrow [\#_{\text{PL}}]$
- ► \*V<sub>|X.Y|</sub>, \*Vj
- \* Lowenstamm (2008)

a.	1	V   u		V	-	C	V   a	-	i
b.		V   u		V		*	1	_ ^	i
c.	C   	V   u	C   p	V	C I i	V   a			

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- Uniform morphosyntactic derivation (and one PL/F head)
- No postsyntactic morphological operation

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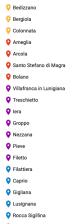
#### Questionnaire

Exhaustive set of possible DP structures (cartography)

- Q<sub>univ</sub>-D-Poss-Q<sub>card</sub>-A<sub>bell</sub>-N-A<sub>nuov</sub>
- D = Dem, Art, Part, Q<sub>ind</sub>
- Pre- and post-VP
- 42 total sentences (plus 21 fllers)
- ▶ 1-to-5 speakers per variety (F and M)

22 varieties

# $\operatorname{PL}$ partial concord - fieldwork



- Via Ponticello
- 💡 Tresana
- Mulazzo



## PL partial concord - analysis

- Analysed varieties: Arcola, Bedizzano, Bergiola, Bolano, Colonnata, Filattiera, Groppo, Iera, Nezzana, Pieve, Treschietto (11/22) + literature review
- Acoustic (PRAAT)
  - Presence of *i* formants
- Distributional
  - Distribution of *i* across DP-types

PL partial concord - preliminary results

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- D constituents don't behave homogeneously
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  - Interaction between PL and F
    - ▶ Why there's no PL PC with M?

- Anybody interested in collaborating?
- Good deal of complicated and underdescribed data
- Pleasant fieldwork (good food, wine, mountains and beaches)