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Summary

AN ATTEMPT TO ANALYZE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE -Ť (-ŤE/-TĚ/-TI) PARTICLE IN THE 14TH–18TH CENTURIES

Based on the analysis of the diachronic data in the Czech National Corpus, the paper aims to specify some of the possible functions that the particle *-ť* expressed in Czech written texts in the 14th–18th centuries. The study combines a quantitative and a qualitative approach. The first part presents a quantitative analysis based on a smaller corpus that is balanced in terms of time and genre. As a result of this analysis, the functions manifested by the *-ť* particle in a balanced corpus are specified. In the second part of the study, the dative function of the particle *-ť* is analysed using a much larger, yet unbalanced corpus. The third part of the paper includes a qualitative analysis based on selected texts that verifies the existence of a dative function of the *-ť* particle.

Keywords: particle; function; corpus; old Czech texts; quantitative and qualitative approach

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