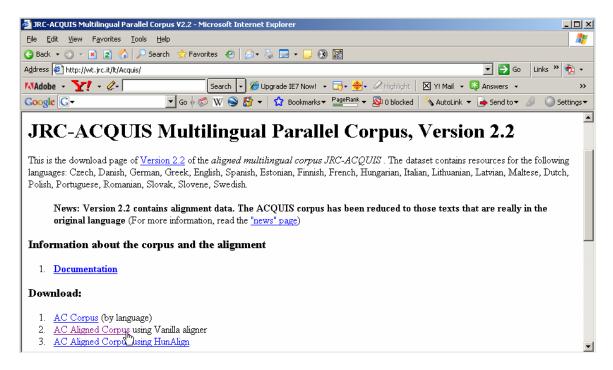
How to compile an aligned corpus

(on Windows system)

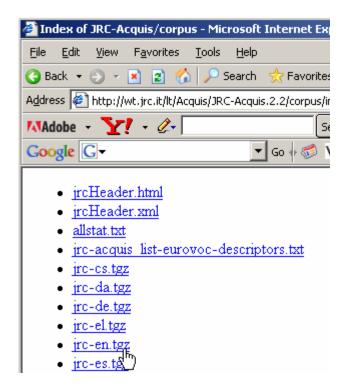
Get the two corpora

Download the two corpora (here: en for English, fr for French)

Open a browser on "http://langtech.jrc.it/" follow the link "The JRC-Acquis aligned parallel corpus" then "Download the JRC-Acquis corpus"



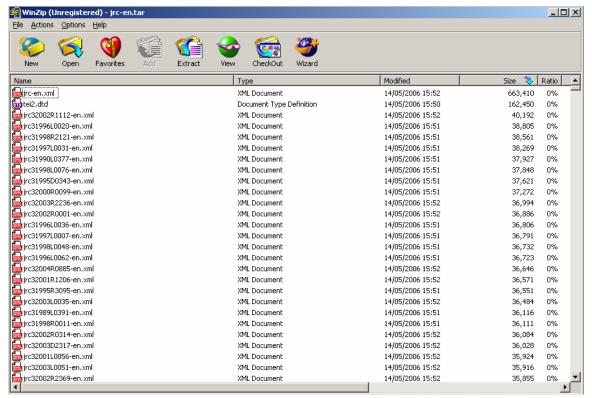
Click on the first link (AC Corpus) then select the language needed "jrc-en.tgz"





Your computer may display a warning: Always ask before opening this type of file

Depending on your computer settings, you may save first the "unzipped" version of the file (in which case you should rename it as "jrc-en.tar", before being able to "extract" all the files from it). If you use "winzip" you should be able to see something like:



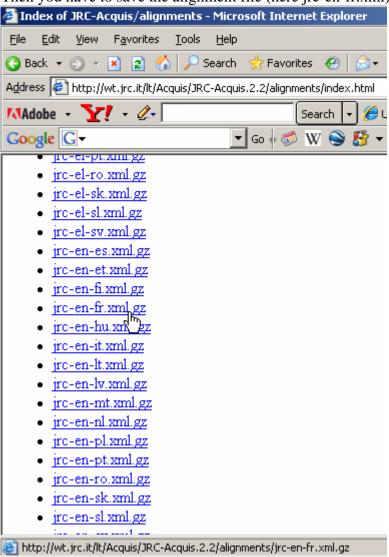
then you can extract all the files in a given directory (here d:\tmp\Celex)



Do the same with the other language (here French).

Get the alignment file

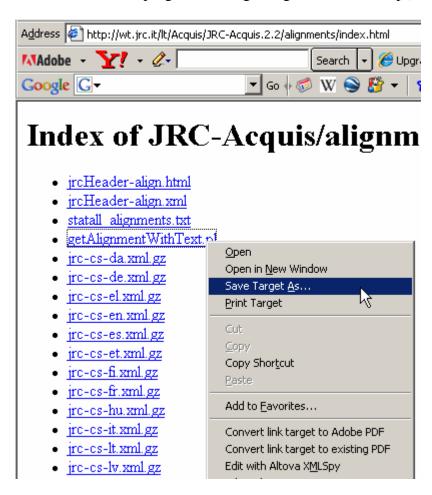
Then you have to save the alignment file (here jrc-en-fr.xml)

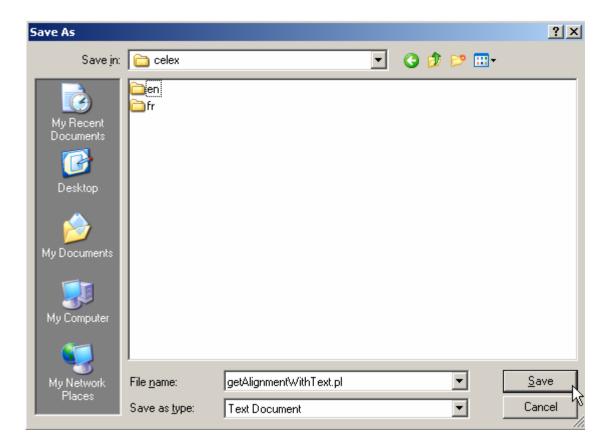




Get the Perl script

Then download the program itself (getAlignmentWithText.pl)

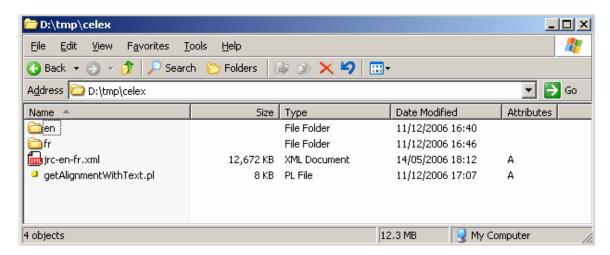




if you do not have Perl installed, you can get a version from various sources, one of them is ActivePerl available for free at http://www.activestate.com/store/activeperl/

Produce the aligned corpus

If everything is right you should see the following directory:



At that point you are able to launch the Perl script:



you have to "go" in the directory you stored all the files and then execute the perl script with the alignment file as parameter:

then the file alignedCorpus-en-fr.xml will be created in the same directory (it takes about 5 minutes)

you can verify roughly the content of the aligned corpus using "more":