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## Voegwoordflexie en pronominale clitisering

*Waarin Vlaams en Brabants (bijna) elkaars tegengestelden zijn*

### **Summary**

In this text I will try to prove a correlation between a number of phenomena concerning C, the head of CP. I argue that there is a connection between the possibility of INFL- or AGR-incorporation into C, on the one hand, and the ways in which ‘weak pronouns’ (either with subject or with object function) are being cliticized on the other hand. Comparison of two adjacent southern dialect regions of Dutch (‘Flemish’ or south-western and ‘Brabantic’ or southern central dialects) produces a number of divergent characteristics, which can be adequately dealt with, if one accepts the role of a parametric feature, (dis)allowing incorporation of lexical non-word-material from down the verb projection (IP) into C. The problem of parametrization has been posed – in a substantially other form – by Hoekstra-Marác (1989), but their hypothesis was refuted, on reasonably sound grounds, by J.W. Zwart (1993).