

Revisiting *wieder*

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Starting with von Stechow's (1996) important structural account of the repetitive-restitutive ambiguity of the German adverb *wieder* ('again'), we take a look at its hitherto unstudied verbal prefix counterpart as in *wiederauferstehen* ('resurrect'). We show that only restitutive readings are available as Marantz (2007) previously argued is the case of the English verbal prefix *re-*. We then discuss a possible descriptive generalization that addresses an asymmetry in the availability of *wieder* in the formation of complex verbs and in syntax respectively.