## Abstract

The present work deals with the difference between the use of the verbs *ser* and *estar* in Spanish and Catalan. The subject of our research is normative usage of the verbs in both the languages. By means of language corpora *Intercorp* and *Araneum Hispanicum Maius* we observe whether the usage of the verbs in Catalan corresponds with the norm and to what extent the usage is influenced by Spanish.