



What does distant reading look like?

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Quantitative Formalism: an Experiment

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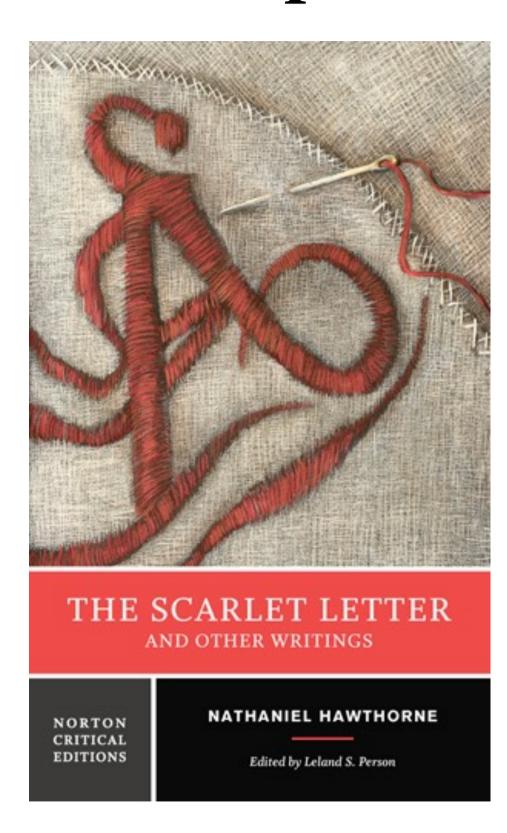
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a moment deserted him. An invincible curiosity, however, subdued his TERROR, and he determined to pursue, if possible, the way the figure <u>had</u> taken. <u>He</u> passed over loose stones through a sort of court, **till he** came to the arch-way; here he stopped, FOR FEAR returned UPON HIM. Resuming his courage, however, he went on, still endeavouring to follow the way the figure had passed, and SUDDENLY found himself in an enclosed part of the ruin, whose appearance was more wild and desolate than any he had yet seen. Seized with unconquerable APPREHENSION, he was retiring, when the low voice of a distressed person **struck his** ear. <u>His</u> heart *sunk* at the sound, his limbs trembled, and he was utterly unable to move. The sound which appeared to be the last groan of a dying person, was repeated. Hippolitus made a strong effort, and sprang forward, when a light burst upon him from a shattered casement of the buildung, and at the same instant he heard the voices of men! He advanced soflty to the window, and beheld in a small room, which was less decayed than the rest of the edifice, a group of men, who from the savageness of their looks, and from their dress, appeared to be banditti. They surrounded a man who lay on the ground wounded, and bathed in blood, and who it was very evident had uttered the groans heard by the count.

bold = Narrative Verbs, Time Shifts, Time Intervals
italics = Reporting Events
dotted underline = Projecting Back
solid underline = Person Pronoun
SMALL CAPS = Fear, Sadness

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