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### Gender

- **Gender**
  - "Saxon genitive" = 'case' in a very limited sense
  - Different declensional patterns from German

### Noun + gen.

- **Lampe**
- **Teller**
- **Tisch**

### Other

- **Unstressed final /m, n/ merge under /n/**
- **Lost late in aphasia**
- **Acquired early by children**
- **Occur frequently cross-linguistically**
- **Reasons for reduction of paradigms and grammatical categories?**
- **Major simplification of the English nominal system!**
- **Effect of sound changes on three major OE nominal paradigms**
- **Possible remedies:**
- **Second most frequent OE paradigm:**
- **Does not seem to exist in living languages**
- **More complex meaning expressed by simpler construction than basic meaning**
- **E.g. plural form as complex as singular form**
- **More complex meaning expressed in a structure as complex as basic meaning**
- **E.g. plural form longer than singular form**
- **More complex meaning expressed by more complex construction**

### Summary of criteria

- **4. Frequent pattern**
  - Iconic plural forms carry "more" material than singular
  - Counter-iconic Non-iconic

### Other

- **Systematic stem variancy**
- **(Grammatical gender)**
- **Vowel -s**
- **Systematic stem variancy**
- **(Grammatical gender)**
- **Mono-categorial**
- **No longer expressed by declensions**
- **Gender**

### Additional notes

- **2 Numbers (sg. : pl.):**
- **Umlaut -s**
- **German ~ Old English**
- **Zero cat - cat+s**
- **Score 1**
- **Score 4**
- **Score 1**
- **Score 1**