Generally negative view that linguists have of morphological information in dictionaries

Geoffrey Pullum ("Lexical categorization in English dictionaries and traditional grammars," *Zeitschrift für Anglistik und Amerikanistik*, 2009):

> "Many dictionaries actually do—quite wrongly—include subentries for numerous nouns that list them as adjectives. And in doing so, they frequently ignore both their own definition of noun and the definition of adjective."

American Heritage Dictionary (2020, online edition):

n. Abbr. **a.** or **adj.**

1. The part of speech that modifies a noun or other substantive by limiting, qualifying, or specifying and distinguished in English morphologically by one of several suffixes, such as *-able, -ous, -er,* and *-est,* or syntactically by position directly preceding a noun or nominal phrase.

2. Any of the words belonging to this part of speech, such as *white* in the phrase *a white house.*