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SmartLQA Agenda



WHAT IS IT?



WHEN IS IT USED?



HOW IS IT USED?



WHAT'S NEXT?



What is it?

Methodology to inform strategic global content business decisions through Al

SOURCE SUITABILITY



- PREDICT AT-RISK CONTENT
- **"SPENDING SMART" VIA TARGETED LQA**



MTQE CORRELATION



PE DISTANCE CORRELATION



What is it? Al-Driven Quality Management

Inform data-driven content decisions through AI



SOURCE SUITABILITY

Al can **identify** errors in poor source content and **predict** 'at-risk' content:

- Content written by non-native authors
- Content created by technical specialists for a non-technical audience
- Dated content not adhering to brand tone and voice

Does the source content need to be rewritten <u>before</u> translation?

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TARGET SUITABILITY

- Does the translation deviate from previous style?
- Does the translation introduce unnecessary complexity?

Does the target need go through LQA for data-driven checks and corrections?



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AI-DRIVEN LQA + MT RETRAINING

- Targeted "SmartLQA" focuses on problematic files and segments within them
- Data can be used to **retrain** engines (dynamically)



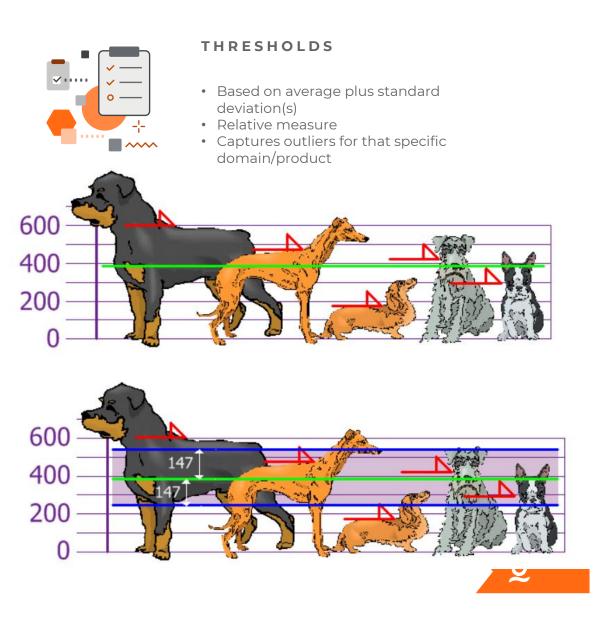


When Is It Used? Where this fits into the Content Lifecycle





How is it Used? Configuring Thresholds



THRESHOLDS

- Based on average plus standard deviation(s)
- Relative measure
- Captures outliers for that specific domain/product

6	Avg. ADJ Count	Avg. NOUN Count	Avg. PROPN Count	Avg. Word Count	Avg. Long Word Count	Avg. Complex Word	Avg.
Content Type						Count	FleschReadingEase
Legal	3.89	18.55	0.49	57.13	17.60	11.84	66.38
Legal	4.66	18.77	0.46	54.43	17.91	12.44	51.97
Legal	3.60	14.61	0.27	48.10	14.88	9.71	68.19
Legal	3.25	18.42	0.11	46.48	15.15	8.89	63.59
Legal	2.76	14.23	0.25	45.24	12.51	7.35	82.17
Legal	5.05	20.30	0.40	67.33	19.90	13.33	60.53
Repair insructions	0.36	2.71	0.68	9.05	1.80	0.81	49.87
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Life Sciences	0.00	4.00	0.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	31.55
Life Sciences	1.00	4.00	0.00	16.00	7.00	6.00	31.97
Life Sciences	1.00	4.00	4.00	22.00	5.00	4.00	87.86
Life Sciences	1.08	2.67	0.42	12.08	4.50	2.75	64.97
Transactional 1	1.05	5.27	0.17	15.39	4.36	2.89	48.77
Transactional 2	1.14	6.12	0.06	19.45	5.22	3.25	37.26
Transactional 3	1.94	6.54	0.18	19.90	5.76	3.60	41.68
Transactional 4	1.24	6.52	0.02	20.85	5.65	3.72	35.98
Transactional 5	1.36	5.98	0.60	20.23	5.43	3.38	35.69
Transactional 6	1.23	5.65	0.10	16.12	5.00	3.05	30.40
Transactional 7	1.61	5.80	0.43	18.52	5.56	4.09	31.82
Marketing	0.75	3.36	0.25	13.89	1.93	1.18	87.45
Marketing	0.67	3.00	0.27	12.17	1.77	1.17	86.95
Marketing	0.77	3.50	0.77	17.09	3.73	2.23	80.60
Marketing	0.80	3.00	0.65	16.20	3.15	1.45	78.34
Marketing	0.68	3.96	1.42	16.99	3.79	1.99	85.50
Marketing	0.88	3.42	0.54	13.71	3.38	1.54	97.83
Marketing	0.92	4.58	0.21	16.96	3.04	0.88	89.07
Average score	1.62	7.37	0.52	24.24	6.88	4.36	60.63

How is it Used? Configuring Thresholds

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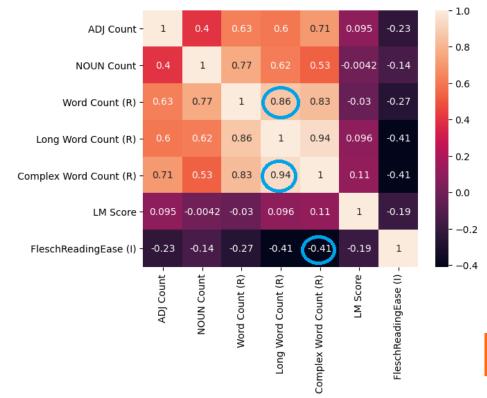
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How is it Used? Identifying Salient Features



FEATURES

- Parts of speech such as adjectives, nouns, proper nouns, numbers
- Adjective/noun density
- Long words, complex words, short and long sentences
- Stylistic similarity/dissimilarity
- Readability and complexity metrics
- Correlations to PE Distance and MT

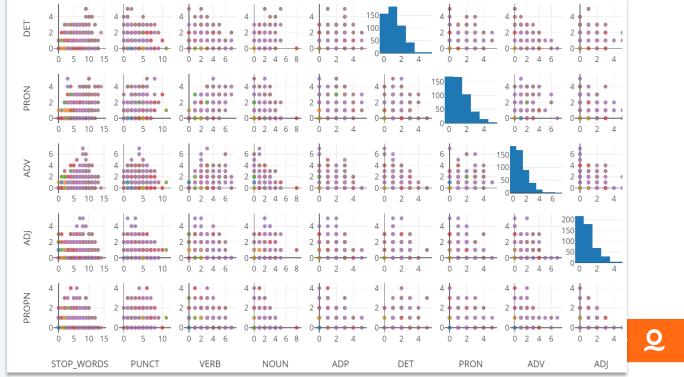


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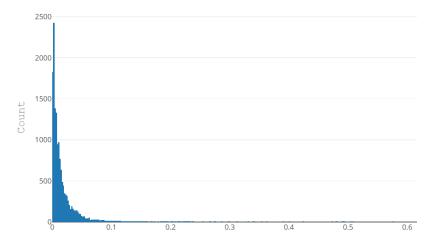


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How is it Used? Source Suitability



Sentence Similarity

Sentence Similarity Distribution

POSSIBLE REMEDIES

- Don't run the project till source is improved
- Route to transcreation, human translation, different MT engines
- Alert of higher LQA risk to all production people (PM, linguists, LQA)



How is it Used? Source Query Analysis

PROCESS

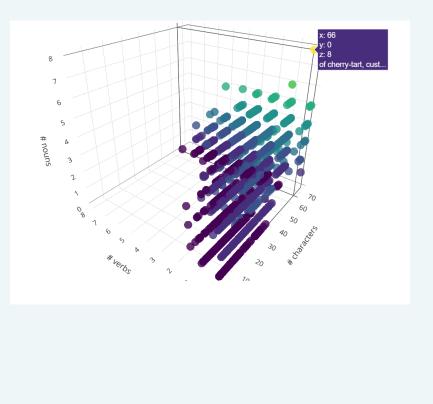
- Analyzed over historical 600 segments for potential DNT
- Analyzed almost historical 400 segments for source ambiguity and meaning (almost 200 for each category)
- Identified thresholds for each category
- Ran thresholds for all categories and identified over 400 potential queries
- Savings of 6K

Text 💌	-	NOUN Count		PROPN	Ŧ	PROPN Count *	A	DJ/NOUN Density	Long Word Count (R)	Word Count (R)	-	FleschReadin -T
Boomi Molecule	0		0	Boomi Molecule		2	2			1	2	-6.695
Delete incomplete target configuration failed, suspect permission or driver issue.	0		5			C	0 'N	IOUN 2', 'NOUN 2'		4	10	-6.355
Drive error recovery FW improvements and enhancements	0		5			C	0 'N	IOUN 4'		3	7	-5.727142857
				November Sheltered Harbor								
In addition, on November 11th, Sheltered Harbor announced that Powe	0		8	PowerProtect Cyber Recovery Sheltered		11	1 'N	IOUN 4'		15	31	-2.017096774
Identity query failed user=1000 to name status=STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED.	0		5			0	0 'N	IOUN 2', 'NOUN 2'		2	9	0.3
IR Camera (User-Facing fixed focus) with low light + TNR + capability +IPU6 + Proximi	i 0		27	ExpressSign		1	1 'N	IOUN 2', 'NOUN 2', 'NOUN 2	2'	8	41	4.273658537
Standardized earned MDF expiration timelines aligned to fiscal quarter end dates	0		7			C	0 'N	IOUN 3', 'NOUN 3'		7	16	5.5325
Disable Lock Terminal	0		2			C	0 'N	IOUN 2'		2	з	6.39

Quick calculation: 405 queries save 15 mins per query = 6075 minutes = 101 hours at \$60/hr (if not more) = **\$6075** saved



How is it Used? Target Suitability -"Spending Smart"



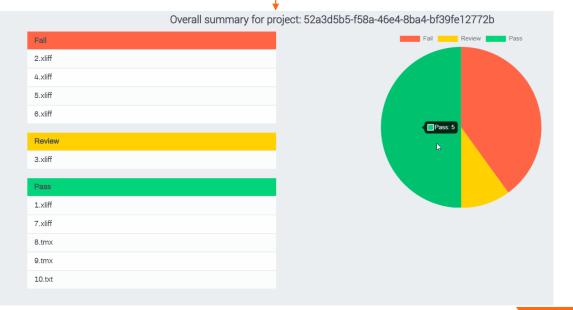
POSSIBLE REMEDIES

- Go back to linguist for more editing
- Alert of higher LQA risk
- Use information to retrain MT engine (dynamic?)
- Map to client LQA methodology
- Spend LQA \$\$ where it counts
- Confirm MTQE
- Confirm PE Distance and/or TER
- Confirm productivity metrics

How is it Used? Summary View

- How many features failed?
- Pass/Fail/Review per segment
- Aggregated to pass/fail per file

Text	ADJ Count Pass	Noun Count Pass	PROPN Count Pass	Long Word Count Pass	Complex Word	Nominalization	Word Count	LM Pass	FleschRe	Segment	Segment
					Count Pass	Count Pass	Pass		adingEas e (I) Pass	Pass/Fail/ Review	comment
In addition to the game's deep	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	Fail	
With twelve maps, five modes, and	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	Review	
As easy it is to drop into MP and pick it up, Nathan		TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	Pass	

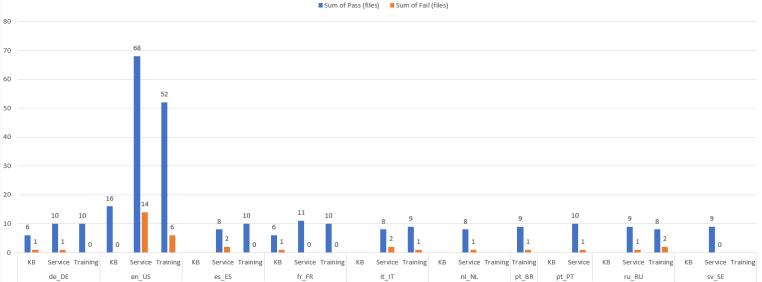




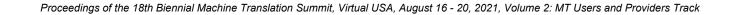
• Passes/fails per domain

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• Passes/fails per locale pair

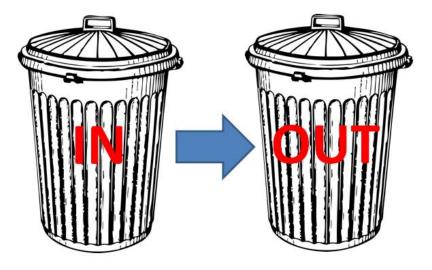






How is it Used? Garbage In, Garbage Out

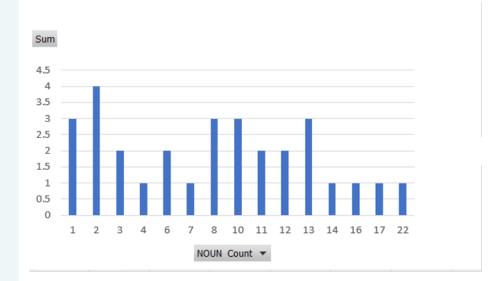
- TRACING SOURCE TO TARGET CORRELATIONS
- POOR SOURCE LEADS TO POOR TARGET



	EN									DE								
					Long	Complex								Long	Complex			
	ADJ	NOUN	PROPN	Word	Word	Word	Nominalization		FleschRea	ADJ	NOUN	PROPN	Word	Word	Word	Nominalization		
File name	Count	LM Score	dingEase	Count	LM Score	LIX												
TASK10196529	0.666667	3.333333	1.311111	9.266667	3.555556	0.577778	0.355555556	648.734	53.9952	0.888889	2.333333	1.977778	9.088889	3.844444	0.911111	0.266666667	569.1765	55.5288
TASK10196533	0.954545	4.318182	0.681818	12.45455	5.363636	3.181818	0.454545455	257.5985	36.08856	1.727273	3.363636	1.363636	12.04545	6.136364	2.272727	0.272727273	372.648	59.0098
TASK10196537	0.766667	3.266667	1.366667	9.866667	3.633333	1.633333	0.3	411.9258	55.52377	1.121212	2.272727	2.30303	9.242424	3.878788	0.969697	0.212121212	2095.755	50.8248
TASK10276202	1.338983	3.966102	0.711864	14	4.525424	2.694915	0.355932203	445.9728	52.33312	1.542373	3.932203	0.881356	15.45763	5.745763	1.474576	0.440677966	607.4004	55.0758
TASK10294494	1.142857	3.97619	0.619048	12.42857	4.380952	2.238095	0.428571429	1075.118	50.6495	1.452381	3.214286	1.309524	12.28571	4.785714	1.047619	0.357142857	1761.157	58.6743
TASK10294496	2.433333	8.266667	1	23.83333	9.266667	6.166667	0.833333333	227.824	29.01318	2.266667	7.333333	1.366667	22.93333	10.56667	2.866667	0.366666667	456.5975	66.2744
TASK10354283	0.608696	2.717391	0.73913	6.902174	2.706522	1.141304	0.293478261	2668.863	42.92559	0.684783	2.26087	1.336957	7.141304	3.108696	0.652174	0.217391304	1856.129	58.2762

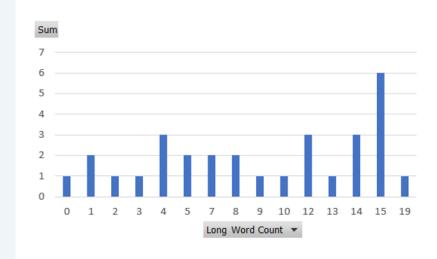
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How is it Used? How Bad is the File?



More than half of the file has 6 or more nouns

Half of the file has 8 long words or more





How is it Used? A Telling Example



Today's machines enable industrial workers to carry out complex Computer Aided Design, Manufacturing and Engineering (CAD, CAM, CAE) operations, model Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD), accomplish thermal, stress and fatigue analysis, or visualise and test designs and models using immersive Virtual Reality (VR).

And now the statistics

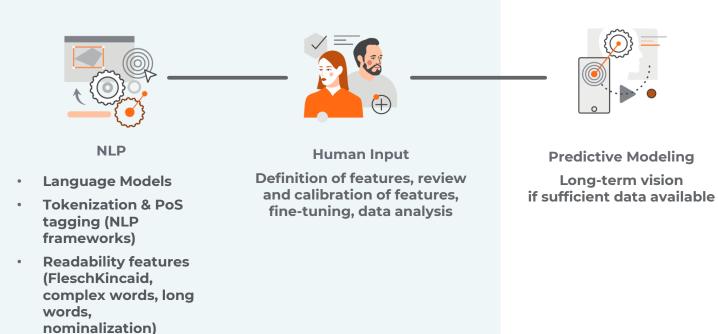
- **42 words**
- 22 nouns
- 19 long words
- 9 complex words

List of nouns

Today | machines | workers | Computer | Design | Manufacturing | Engineering | CAD | CAM | CAE | operations | model | Computational | Fluid | Dynamics | CFD | thermal | stress | fatigue | analysis | designs | models

How is it Used? Under the Hood

NLP frameworks Human validation Predictive modeling





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How is it Used? Process Optimization

Reducing time to market and costs while improving linguist acquisition and retention



LQA Time Saved



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LQA Pass Rate Improvement



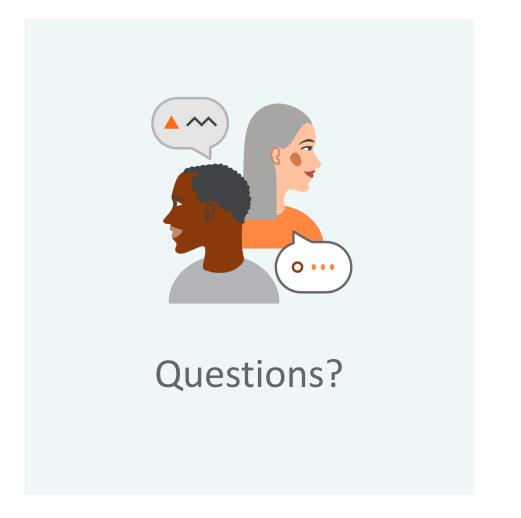
LQA Spend Reduction



What's Next?

- Continued human validation
- Build predictive models using machine learning (ML) algorithms
- Human validation comment

"I think this is a very interesting tool that has a lot of potential. The output statistics provide some interesting insights about the nature and style of the source, and more importantly, also the target text. With the help of these figures, a source text can be analyzed for its complexity, while a translation can be characterized and possibly rated with regard to certain stylistic guidelines."







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