

*-PLUIE: Personalisable metric with Llm Used for Improved Evaluation

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Abstract

Evaluating the quality of automatically generated text often relies on LLM-as-a-judge (LLM-judge) methods. While effective, these approaches are computationally expensive and require post-processing. To address these limitations, we build upon ParaPLUIE, a perplexity-based LLM-judge metric that estimates confidence over “Yes/No” answers without generating text. We introduce *-PLUIE, task-specific prompting variants of ParaPLUIE and evaluate their alignment with human judgement. Our experiments show that personalised *-PLUIE achieves stronger correlations with human ratings while maintaining low computational cost.

1 Introduction

Automatic evaluation is still a challenge in free-form text generation. Traditional similarity-based metrics focus on surface-level lexical overlap and often fail to capture meaning-preserving variations or stylistic improvements. Recent advances in Large Language Models have introduced LLM-judge methods, which use the reasoning capabilities of LLMs for interpreting user demands to evaluate generated text (Brown et al., 2020). They leverage the semantic understanding and contextual reasoning of LLMs to provide richer, more human-aligned assessments across a variety of NLP tasks (Doostmohammadi et al., 2024).

However, standard LLM-judge methods (Gu et al., 2025) generate free-form text responses that need to be parsed into structured judgements. This parsing introduces noise and ambiguity, especially when simple categorical decisions (e.g. “Yes/No”) are required. This text-generation process may not fully exploit the model’s internal knowledge. To mitigate these limitations, Lemesle et al. (2025) proposed ParaPLUIE as a perplexity-based alternative to output-based LLM judging, which is formally defined in Appendix A. It grants a confidence

score for a “Yes/No” question by relying on the perplexity of the LLM. Originally introduced for phrase classification, ParaPLUIE achieves strong alignment with human binary annotations and with minimal computational cost, roughly equivalent to generating one token. By definition, ParaPLUIE represents the model’s confidence in its answer, offering several appealing interpretability properties. Intuitively, a strong positive and negative score should indicate high confidence in “Yes” and “No” answers respectively. However, this property has not been evaluated, and it has not been compared to output-based LLM-judge.

We also evaluate its applicability to other tasks, language and its alignment to human judgements on preference-based evaluation and compare it to output-based LLM-judge. Specifically, we investigate whether task-specific prompting (*-PLUIE), i.e., tailoring the question to the evaluation context, can improve the reliability and generalisation of ParaPLUIE. We conduct this study on three semantic tasks: French **Paraphrase classification**, evaluation of **Network Intent Language (Nile) translation** and **Scientific text revision** quality. For each task, we compare *-PLUIE against widely used similarity-based metrics, output-based LLM-judge and a random-based approach. Our main contributions are as follows: (1) We introduce *-PLUIE, a general and personalisable perplexity-based method for LLM-judge. (2) We design and evaluate three task-specific variants of *-PLUIE, covering three semantic tasks, to assess the adaptability of the approach. (3) We show that *-PLUIE achieves stronger alignment with human judgement while being up to almost 8 times faster to compute compared to other LLM-judge metrics.

2 Experimental Protocol

We describe the tasks and data considered, the baseline metrics, and discuss how the ParaPLUIE

methodology is adapted through prompt design.

2.1 Semantic Tasks

Paraphrase Classification: As ParaPLUIE demonstrated strong performance in English paraphrase classification (Lemesle et al., 2025), we examine its generalisation capabilities to French. For this purpose, we use the dataset proposed by Tytgat et al. (2024) which contains French sentences manually transformed with synonym and paronym substitution. From this, we create a French paraphrase dataset that contains 33.60% positive pairs, and describe the methodology in Appendix B.

Nile Translation: Nile (Jacobs et al., 2018), provides a structured yet flexible grammar for expressing access control, quality of service, and temporal statements, making it well-suited for bridging the gap between natural language inputs and enforceable network policies. Munson et al. (2025) introduced Nile-English Aligned Translations (NEAT), a methodology used to create a large-scale corpus of aligned English–Nile intents. We use their human evaluation of 436 translation triplets of Nile expressions. Following the NEAT protocol, Mushra scores of Nile translations are binarised using an acceptability cutoff: translations rated “Good” or “Excellent” are considered positive, leading to 60% positive examples.

Scientific Text Revision: Text revision is a writing assistance task that involves substantially modifying an existing text to improve it while preserving its original meaning (Du et al., 2022; Li et al., 2022). In the scientific domain, revision is a critical step of the writing process ensuring clarity, coherence, and adherence to academic standards, as poor writing quality can contribute to paper rejection (Amano et al., 2023). We focus on the paragraph-level scientific text revision task (Jourdan et al., 2025a). We use the test split of the ParaReval dataset¹ (Jourdan et al., 2025b), a collection of human pairwise evaluations of automatically generated revisions. More details about this dataset are provided in Appendix C.

2.2 Baseline Metrics

For all tasks, we include a set of similarity metrics that have been widely used for text generation: Levenshtein (normalised), BLEU (Papineni et al., 2002), METEOR (Banerjee and Lavie, 2005) and BERTScore (Zhang et al., 2020). We addition-

ally use MODERN BERT (Warner et al., 2025), a modernised encoder-only Transformer trained with updated data and techniques. This yields an updated variant, Modern BertScore, which we use as a state-of-the-art (SOTA) baseline.

We consider three LLM-judge variants: (a) LLM-Yes/No, which answers binary “Yes/No” questions, (b) LLM-choice, which conducts pairwise comparisons, and (c) LLM-Likert, which assigns scores based on a five-point scale. All prompts are provided in Appendix D.

2.3 *-PLUIE Metrics

Prior work (Rios and Kavuluru, 2018; Brown et al., 2020; Chung et al., 2024; Lemesle et al., 2025) shows that providing explicit examples of the task can improve the model’s ability to produce accurate and consistent judgement. While ParaPLUIE has demonstrated strong performance for evaluating text revision using its original paraphrase classification prompt (Jourdan et al., 2025b), we investigate whether adapting the prompt to the task can further improve reliability and if it can be generalised to other tasks.

To explore this hypothesis, we design personalised prompts for each studied task, considering ParaPLUIE as a flexible plug-and-play metric that can easily be adapted through prompt and underlying perplexity model modification. We refer to the original paraphrase classification template as Para-PLUIE and construct the following variants: **Fr-PLUIE:** a French adaptation of the original Para-PLUIE prompt, using translated few-shot examples to test French generalisation. **Net-PLUIE:** a prompt for assessing whether two sentences express the same network policy. Few-shot examples used are drawn and removed from the evaluation data to prevent bias. **Rev-PLUIE:** a prompt designed to assess whether a generated revision follows its associated instruction. This variant uses the gold reference as a one-shot example to ground the model’s task understanding.

All prompts are available in Appendix E. We compare *-PLUIE against the original Para-PLUIE template to determine whether task-specific prompts improve alignment with human judgements. For all LLM-based methods, we use Phi-4 14B (Abdin et al., 2024), and Llama 3 70B (AI@Meta, 2024) as the perplexity models.

¹<https://github.com/JourdanL/parareval>

Task Metric	Paraphrase Classification					Nile Translation				
	Thr.	Acc.	Rec.	Prec.	F1	Thr.	Acc.	Rec.	Prec.	F1
*-PLUIE Phi	-7.63	0.71	<u>0.77</u>	0.54	0.63	-3.14	<u>0.81</u>	0.95	0.78	0.85
*-PLUIE Llama	0	<u>0.74</u>	0.54	0.61	0.58	0	<u>0.81</u>	0.85	0.84	0.85
Para-PLUIE Phi	-4.07	0.67	0.71	0.50	0.59	3.97	0.80	0.92	0.79	0.85
Para-PLUIE Llama	0	0.70	0.64	0.53	0.58	0	0.79	0.94	0.77	0.84
LLM-Yes/No Phi		<u>0.74</u>	0.50	<u>0.64</u>	0.56		<u>0.81</u>	0.88	0.86	<u>0.87</u>
LLM-Yes/No Llama		0.71	0.48	<u>0.56</u>	0.52		<u>0.81</u>	0.90	0.86	0.88
Modern BertScore	0.84	0.33	1.00	0.33	0.49	0.68	0.63	<u>0.96</u>	0.63	0.76
BERTScore	0.80	0.33	1.00	0.33	0.49	0.39	0.67	1.0	0.64	0.78
METEOR	0.43	0.33	1.00	0.33	0.49	0.0	0.6	1.0	0.6	0.75
BLEU	0.00	0.33	1.00	0.33	0.49	0.0	0.6	1.0	0.6	0.75
Levenshtein	0.71	0.33	1.00	0.33	0.49	0.17	0.65	0.95	0.64	0.77
Random weighted		<i>0.56</i>	<i>0.32</i>	<i>0.32</i>	<i>0.32</i>		0.52	0.60	0.61	0.61
Random uniform		<i>0.50</i>	<i>0.50</i>	<i>0.32</i>	<i>0.40</i>		0.49	0.48	0.60	0.53

Table 1: Natural and a *posteriori* optimal threshold for each metric and model-prompt variant, with corresponding accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score on classification. *-PLUIE is respectively Fr-PLUIE and Net-PLUIE. Confidence interval of reported accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score is less than 10^{-3} .

Task Metric	Nile Translation			Scientific Text Revision					
	Pair acc.	V	κ	Pair acc.		V		κ	
*-PLUIE Phi	0.69	0.42	0.40	0.61	0.61 w.g.	0.31	0.32 w.g.	0.32	0.33 w.g.
*-PLUIE Llama	<u>0.70</u>	0.43	0.42	0.61	0.62 w.g.	0.31	0.32 w.g.	0.32	0.34 w.g.
Para-PLUIE Phi	<u>0.70</u>	<u>0.44</u>	0.42		0.52		0.21		0.15
Para-PLUIE Llama	0.72	0.46	<u>0.43</u>		0.52		0.20		0.17
LLM-choice Phi	0.47	0.42	0.20	0.53	0.55 w.g.	0.25	0.27 w.g.	0.24	0.27 w.g.
LLM-choice Llama	0.47	0.43	0.20	<u>0.59</u>	0.60 w.g.	0.28	<u>0.30</u> w.g.	<u>0.30</u>	0.31 w.g.
LLM-Likert Phi	0.65	0.37	0.41	<u>0.45</u>	0.52 w.g.	0.30	<u>0.29</u> w.g.	0.21	0.26 w.g.
LLM-Likert Llama	0.69	0.40	0.44	0.44	0.50 w.g.	<u>0.29</u>	0.27 w.g.	0.19	0.23 w.g.
Modern BertScore	0.63	0.41	0.36		0.36		0.13		-0.07
BERTScore	0.68	0.43	0.40		0.45		0.16		0.03
METEOR	0.68	0.40	0.37		0.42		0.19		0.00
BLEU	0.43	N/A	0.00		0.41		0.17		-0.03
Levenshtein	0.64	0.34	0.29		0.44		0.13		0.01
Random weighted	<i>0.43</i>	<i>0.06</i>	<i>0.00</i>		<i>0.36</i>		<i>0.03</i>		<i>0.00</i>
Random uniform	<i>0.33</i>	<i>0.06</i>	<i>0.00</i>		<i>0.33</i>		<i>0.03</i>		<i>0.00</i>

Table 2: Alignment of automatic metrics with human preferences. Pairwise accuracy and V are defined on $[0:1]$ and κ on $[-1:1]$. "w.g." indicates that the reference revision is provided. Confidence interval of reported pairwise accuracy, V , and κ score is less than 10^{-3} .

3 Results

To study the natural interpretability of the proposed *-PLUIE, we compare approaches with standard similarity metrics and output-based LLM-judge methods. As this metric grants a continuous score with an interpretable threshold, we use it for **classification** and for **preference evaluation**. In classification, if the returned score is above 0, the sample is considered as positive, and negative otherwise. For preference, we rank the options according to

their scores to identify the preferred one and align it to human preference.

3.1 Classification

We used *-PLUIE for classification of paraphrase/non-paraphrase pairs and good/bad Nile translations. As baseline metric scores are not directly interpretable as categorical decisions, we calibrate each metric by determining an optimal decision threshold that maximises the F1 score.

model	Task Approach	Paraphrase Classification		Nile Translation		Scientific Text Revision		
		GPUs	Runtime	GPUs	Runtime	GPUs	Runtime	
Phi	LLM-Yes/No / LLM-choice	MI300 x1	23 min	MI300 x1	11 min	A100 x1	40 min	41 min w.g.
	LLM-Likert			MI300 x1	10 min	A100 x1	51 min	65 min w.g.
	Para-PLUIE	MI300 x1	3.5 min	MI300 x1	<u>1.8 min</u>	A100 x1	08 min	
	*-PLUIE	MI300 x1	<u>3.6 min</u>	MI300 x1	1.4 min	A100 x1	<u>09 min</u>	13 min w.g.
Llama	LLM-Yes/No / LLM-choice	MI300 x2	48 min	MI300 x2	22 min	A100 x2	124 min	127 min w.g.
	LLM-Likert			MI300 x2	21 min	A100 x2	141 min	187 min w.g.
	Para-PLUIE	MI300 x2	14 min	MI300 x2	<u>6.5 min</u>	A100 x3	29 min	
	*-PLUIE	MI300 x2	<u>17 min</u>	MI300 x2	3.4 min	A100 x3	<u>33 min</u>	55 min w.g.

Table 3: GPU usage of all LLM-judge approaches on all three tasks using Phi and Llama. Confidence interval of reported times is less than 0.1 minute.

Table 1 reports the performance of all evaluated metrics; we also report results for the natural threshold with *-PLUIE.

We find that */Para-PLUIE achieves competitive or slightly better performance than LLM-judge metrics. The difference between the calibrated and default thresholds is minimal, highlighting the interpretability and robustness of */Para-PLUIE’s scoring scale. Traditional metrics achieve an accuracy of approximately 33% on French paraphrase classification, implying that all pairs are classified as paraphrases. This finding suggests that the dataset is particularly challenging and that these surface-based metrics struggle to capture large semantic differences when lexical overlap remains high.

We only consider the Nile translations generated with Llama from the NEAT methodology; other results can be found in Appendix F. We observe that the */Para-PLUIE consistently outperforms similarity metrics, and is comparable to output-based LLM-judge. For this task, higher precision is preferable to avoid incorrect network configuration. The best performance is observed with Para-PLUIE Llama and the uncalibrated threshold (0). Further analyses on the impact of the threshold choice are in Appendix G.

3.2 Preference

To assess the alignment between automatic metrics and human judgement, we use pairwise accuracy with tie calibration (Deutsch et al., 2023), Cramér’s V (Cramér, 1946), and Cohen’s κ (Cohen, 1960); results are reported in Table 2.

For Nile translation, all metrics correlate positively with human judgement, according to κ . Para-PLUIE achieves the highest correlation, followed by Net-PLUIE. LLM-judge approaches are more dependent on the choice of the model, with Llama emerging as the best option for this task.

BERTScore shows the best alignment among traditional similarity metrics, with scores comparable to the LLM-Likert approach.

For revision, across all three measures, Rev-PLUIE shows the highest alignment with human evaluations, achieving the best or second-best scores. This surpasses other LLM-judge methods and traditional similarity metrics. LLM-choice also performs competitively, while LLM-Likert and Para-PLUIE achieve moderate yet consistent results. In contrast, n-gram and embedding-based metrics display considerably weaker correlations with human judgement. Lastly, for Rev-PLUIE, adding the reference revision in the prompt as a one-shot example does slightly improve the alignment judgement, making it the most reliable option to evaluate the task with or without a reference. Results with different LLMs are available in Appendix H, and show that Rev-PLUIE surpasses LLM-choice in all experimental configurations.

3.3 Computational Efficiency

We compare the computational cost of all LLM-based metrics in Table 3. *-PLUIE approaches are consistently faster than output-based alternatives when using the same model, since they compute probabilities over limited answer tokens rather than generating long textual outputs. Overall, PLUIE methods offer a favourable trade-off between efficiency and alignment, making them an attractive option for scalable LLM-judge evaluation.

As highlighted by Nayab et al. (2025), the inference time of an LLM depends on the number of output tokens generated. Due to the autoregressive nature of transformer decoders (Vaswani et al., 2017), each output token requires a dedicated forward pass, meaning that generation time scales linearly with the length of the response and is directly linked to the length of the input prompt.

Output-based LLM-judge methods are directly subject to this constraint: generating a free-form judgement of $\mathcal{N}(\hat{y})$ tokens requires $\mathcal{N}(\hat{y})$ successive decoder calls. Furthermore, the prompt length $\mathcal{N}(x)$ itself is a source of overhead that is often overlooked. Standard LLM-judge prompts tend to grow longer in practice (Wang et al., 2025), as they must include explicit instructions describing the expected output format, and few-shot examples that condition the model to produce a structured response (e.g., a *Yes/No* answer or a Likert score) rather than free-form text. Moreover, reasoning strategies such as Chains-of-Thought (Wei et al., 2022) further increase the length of generations. Without such conditioning, output-based methods are prone to producing responses that are difficult to parse or do not conform to the expected schema.

PLUIE methods are free from this constraint: since the score is derived directly from the model’s logits (as highlighted by Appendix A), a well-formed confidence score is obtained regardless of how the model would have phrased its answer. Explaining the response format or enforcing output structure through lengthy instructions is therefore not strictly necessary. That said, providing few-shot examples remains beneficial: even though format enforcement is unnecessary, examples help realign the model’s next-token distribution toward the tokens of interest (*Yes* and *No*), reducing the probability mass assigned to unrelated vocabulary entries and improving the discriminability of the resulting score.

PLUIE methods require **exactly one decoder pass**, regardless of the number of candidate tokens evaluated. This follows from the fact that a single forward pass through the decoder produces a probability distribution over the entire vocabulary; the probabilities of *Yes* and *No* are therefore both available as entries of the same output logit vector, at no additional cost. On the other hand, in the best-case scenario, by using an output-based LLM-judge method with the same prompt, the computational cost will be at least twice as expensive as a PLUIE method. Indeed, even in the most favourable case, an output-based LLM-judge must produce at least two tokens, one for the answer and one end-of-sequence token, thereby requiring **at least two decoder passes**. This explains the up to $7.9\times$ speedup reported in Table 3.

4 Reproducibility

To use *-PLUIE you can follow the documentation available on a [HuggingFace space](https://huggingface.co/spaces/qlemesle/paraplui) (https://huggingface.co/spaces/qlemesle/paraplui) and use the publicly available source code on Git-Lab (https://gitlab.inria.fr/expression/paraphrase-generation-evaluation-powered-by-an-llm-a-semantic-metric-not-a-lexical-one-coling-2025).

Both the underlying LLM and the prompting template can be swapped independently without modifying the scoring logic. The following snippet illustrates how to instantiate and run a *-PLUIE variant:

```
from PPLUIE.wrapper import ParaPLUIE

scorer = ParaPLUIE()
scorer.init("microsoft/phi-4", device="auto")
# Use Fr-PLUIE by simply switching the template
scorer.setTemplate("FS-DIRECT_FR")

S = ["Les enfants ont boulonné tous les gâteaux."]
H = ["Les enfants ont mangé tous les gâteaux."]

score = scorer.compute(S, H)
print("Result score : ", score) # -4.85
# score > 0 : paraphrase, score < 0 : non-paraphrase
```

The full list of supported models and templates is available via `scorer.show_available_models()` and `scorer.show_templates()`. New task-specific templates can be easily added by extending the `template.py` file.

5 Conclusion

We introduced a generalised version of ParaPLUIE, extending the original approach to a broader range of semantic evaluation tasks. By adapting task-specific prompts, we showed that *-PLUIE consistently achieves stronger correlations with human judgement. Across all experiments, personalised *-PLUIE prompts are up to 7.9 times faster than output-based approaches. Its interpretable score and stable decision thresholds make it practical, avoid post-processing of LLM outputs and enable simple, scalable, and transparent model substitution for automatic LLM evaluation.

In addition, the proposed Net-PLUIE template can be used as a SOTA alignment function between natural language and Nile intent expressions, as described in Appendix I. Overall, these results position *-PLUIE as an efficient and adaptable foundation for automatic evaluation in the era of LLMs.

Limitations

The perplexity models used with *-PLUIE were not fine-tuned for these experiments. Fine-tuning could potentially enhance both accuracy and task-specific sensitivity. The larger LLM used in this paper has 70B parameters; employing even larger models could further improve the results.

Most experiments were carried out in English, with additional tests in French showing consistent results. The behaviour of the method in languages with richer morphology or markedly different syntactic structures remains to be investigated.

In this paper, we only considered prompts that can be formulated as “Yes/No” questions. It would be interesting to extend this work to several tasks that require different outputs. Such tasks could include sentiment analysis, topic classification or question answering. Furthermore, the *-PLUIE formula could be changed to remove the one token limitation, which is discussed in Appendix A.

Ethical Considerations

Data Availability: For all considered tasks, we use datasets that are openly available. The datasets from Tytgat et al. (2024) and Munson et al. (2025) are available on demand to the original authors. The paragraphs in ParaReval are extracted from scientific articles collected on OpenReview where they fall under different “non-exclusive, perpetual, and royalty-free licence”.

Computational Resources: Using LLMs remains resource-intensive; however, using an LLM of medium size like Phi-4 14B seems to be competitive with larger LLMs like Llama 3 70B (Tables 1 and 2), and it’s obviously less computationally intensive. Lastly, *-PLUIE’s computational cost is much lower than other LLM-judge methods, as highlighted by Table 3.

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A ParaPLUIE definition

ParaPLUIE is originally defined as the log-likelihood ratio to compare the predominance of an answer “Yes” against “No” to the question raised by the prompt (Lemesle et al., 2025), as illustrated in Figure 1.

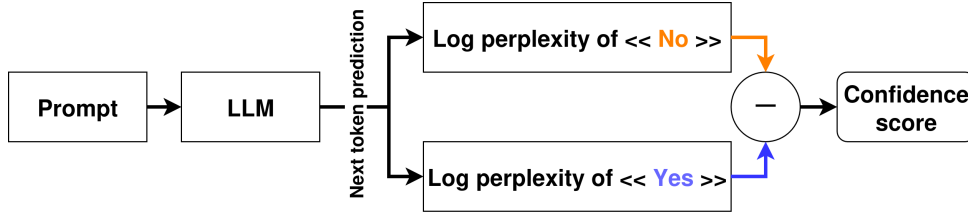


Figure 1: *-PLUIE workflow.

More formally, given:

- S the source sentence,
- H the hypothetical sentence,
- $\text{Prompt}(S, H)$ the prompt filled with the sentences S and H ,
- T : length in tokens of the $\text{Prompt}(S, H)$,
- \circ : the concatenation operator of 2 sequences of tokens.

$$\text{ParaPLUIE}(S, H) = \log \left(\frac{p(\text{Yes}|\text{Prompt}(S, H))}{p(\text{No}|\text{Prompt}(S, H))} \right) \quad (1)$$

It can be expanded, using the Bayes formula, to bring out the perplexity of the template:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \log \left(\frac{p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})}{p(\text{Prompt}(S, H))} \times \frac{p(\text{Prompt}(S, H))}{p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No})} \right) \\ &= -\frac{-1}{T+1} \log(p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})) \times (T+1) \\ &\quad + \frac{-1}{T+1} \log(p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No})) \times (T+1) \\ &= \log \left(\exp \left(\frac{-1}{T+1} \log(p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No})) \right)^{T+1} \right) \\ &\quad - \log \left(\exp \left(\frac{-1}{T+1} \log(p(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})) \right)^{T+1} \right) \\ &= \log \left(\text{ppl}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No})^{T+1} \right) \\ &\quad - \log \left(\text{ppl}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})^{T+1} \right) \\ &= (T+1) \times \log(\text{ppl}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No})) \\ &\quad - (T+1) \times \log(\text{ppl}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Finally, assuming that the LLM employed uses log perplexity as a *loss*, we have:

$$\text{ParaPLUIE}(S, H) = (T+1) \times [\text{loss}_{LLM}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{No}) - \text{loss}_{LLM}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ \text{Yes})] \quad (3)$$

Note that ParaPLUIE is not necessarily symmetrical. ParaPLUIE presents plug-and-play capabilities: both the underlying perplexity model and the prompt template can be modified without altering the

fundamental principle of the method. However, a few aspects must be taken into consideration. First, the perplexity model must be able to perform question-answering tasks, as the metric relies on evaluating the model’s confidence between two mutually exclusive answers. Note that a requirement of Equation 2 is that the two answers being opposed each correspond to exactly one token according to the model’s tokenizer. Beyond that, the choice of tokens is not restricted (it could be “Dog” vs. “Cat”), even though we only consider “Yes” vs. “No” in this study. Second, to ensure correct perplexity computation, the tokens being compared must appear as the final tokens of the prompt. Tokenizers of most modern LLM-based chatbots employ a user–assistant dialogue format, where special tokens are inserted to mark the end of each role. These role-ending tokens must be removed prior to perplexity computation, as they would otherwise alter the results. For example, when computing the perplexity of “Yes” in the following dialogue:

`<user>People like “Cats” more than “Dogs”.</user> <assistant> Yes </assistant>` the end-of-turn token `</assistant>` must be removed before calculating perplexity. We rely on the publicly available implementation provided by the original authors².

This formula can be generalised to answers of different length. So, if one answer is $(Y_1 \dots Y_i)$ and the second is $(N_1 \dots N_j)$, we can write:

$$\text{ParaPLUIE}(S, H) = (T + j) \times (\text{loss}_{LLM}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ N_1 \dots N_j) - (T + i) \times \text{loss}_{LLM}(\text{Prompt}(S, H) \circ Y_1 \dots Y_i)) \quad (4)$$

A drawback here is that the shorter answer would be favoured: indeed, it is often more probable to generate a short sequence rather than a long one. Considering the average perplexity of the answer could be an alternative, but we would likely observe a trend of centering every answer around a similar average, which would be regrettable.

²<https://gitlab.inria.fr/expression/paraphrase-generation-evaluation-powered-by-an-llm-a-semantic-metric-not-a-lexical-one-coli></assistant>ng-2025

B French Paraphrase Dataset

Transformation	Sentence
None	Les enfants ont bouloché tous les gâteaux. <i>The children gobbled up all the cakes.</i>
Paronym	Les enfants ont boulonné tous les gâteaux <i>The children screwed all the cakes.</i>
Synonym	Les enfants ont mangé tous les gâteaux. <i>The children ate all the cakes.</i>
Synonym of Paronym	Les enfants ont fixé tous les gâteaux. <i>The children fixed all the cakes.</i>

Table 4: Characteristic sentence of Tytgat et al. (2024) dataset and its different transformations. English translations are provided in *italics*; however, as paronym substitution relies on visual and phonetic similarity, it cannot be easily translated. A simple example of an English paronym pair: “The children decided to eat the **desert**.” vs. “The children decided to eat the **dessert**.”

This dataset is built on the work of Tytgat et al. (2024) who showed that conventionally used semantic similarity metrics are often more sensitive to surface-level differences than to semantic variations. Their study introduced an expert-annotated French dataset of 355 source sentences, each constructed independently of any specific domain. For each original sentence, Tytgat et al. (2024) identified the central semantic word, the one that most conveys the meaning of the sentence, and systematically produced three types of modified versions:

- **Paronym substitution:** the word is replaced by a paronym, a word that looks or sounds similar but has a completely different meaning. The resulting sentence becomes semantically different from the original while remaining lexically close.
- **Synonym substitution:** the word is replaced by a synonym, producing a sentence that preserves the original meaning while being lexically close.
- **Synonym of a paronym:** the word is replaced by a synonym of the paronym, leading to an additional nuanced variant. This process results in three alternative versions for each source sentence, an example of these transformations is provided in Table 4.

Let us denote the transformation of a sentence s by synonym S and by paronym P . We create a new set composed of pairs of sentences formed by the source sentence s and its transformation. Depending on the combination of transformations, we label them as paraphrase or non-paraphrase:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (s, S(s)) &\implies \text{paraphrase} \\
 (P(s), S(P(s))) &\implies \text{paraphrase} \\
 (s, P(s)) &\implies \text{paraphrase} \\
 (s, S(P(s))) &\implies \text{paraphrase} \\
 (P(s), S(s)) &\implies \text{paraphrase} \\
 (S(s), S(P(s))) &\implies \text{paraphrase}
 \end{aligned}$$

The resulting dataset is composed of 1914 pairs with 33.60% positive pairs.

C Example of data from ParaReval dataset

This dataset focuses on the paragraph-level scientific text revision task, where a paragraph and an accompanying instruction specifying the intended modification are provided as input, and the model is expected to produce a revised paragraph that aligns with the given instruction (Jourdan et al., 2025a).

We use the test split of the ParaReval dataset³ (Jourdan et al., 2025b), a collection of human pairwise evaluations of automatically generated revisions. Each instance in the dataset consists of two versions of the same paragraph, extracted from computer science papers from OpenReview and authored by the original writers. Pairs of paragraphs are annotated with an instruction describing the underlying revision intention; an example is given in Appendix C.

Based on these annotations, each paragraph was automatically revised by six different models following the corresponding instruction. The resulting generated revisions were evaluated in pairs by human annotators to assess the reliability of automatic evaluation metrics for this task. Annotators answered three questions: (1) Did the model follow the instruction? (2) Is the revision correct, *i.e.*, better than the original? and (3) Which revision do they prefer between options A and B? The annotator’s responses enable ranking the two options and identifying the preferred one.

The data comprises 258 pairs of revised paragraphs, each annotated with two distinct revision instructions, resulting in a total of 516 evaluation instances. Human pairwise preferences are balanced, with annotators favouring option A in 44% of cases, option B in 41%, and reporting ties in 15% of cases.

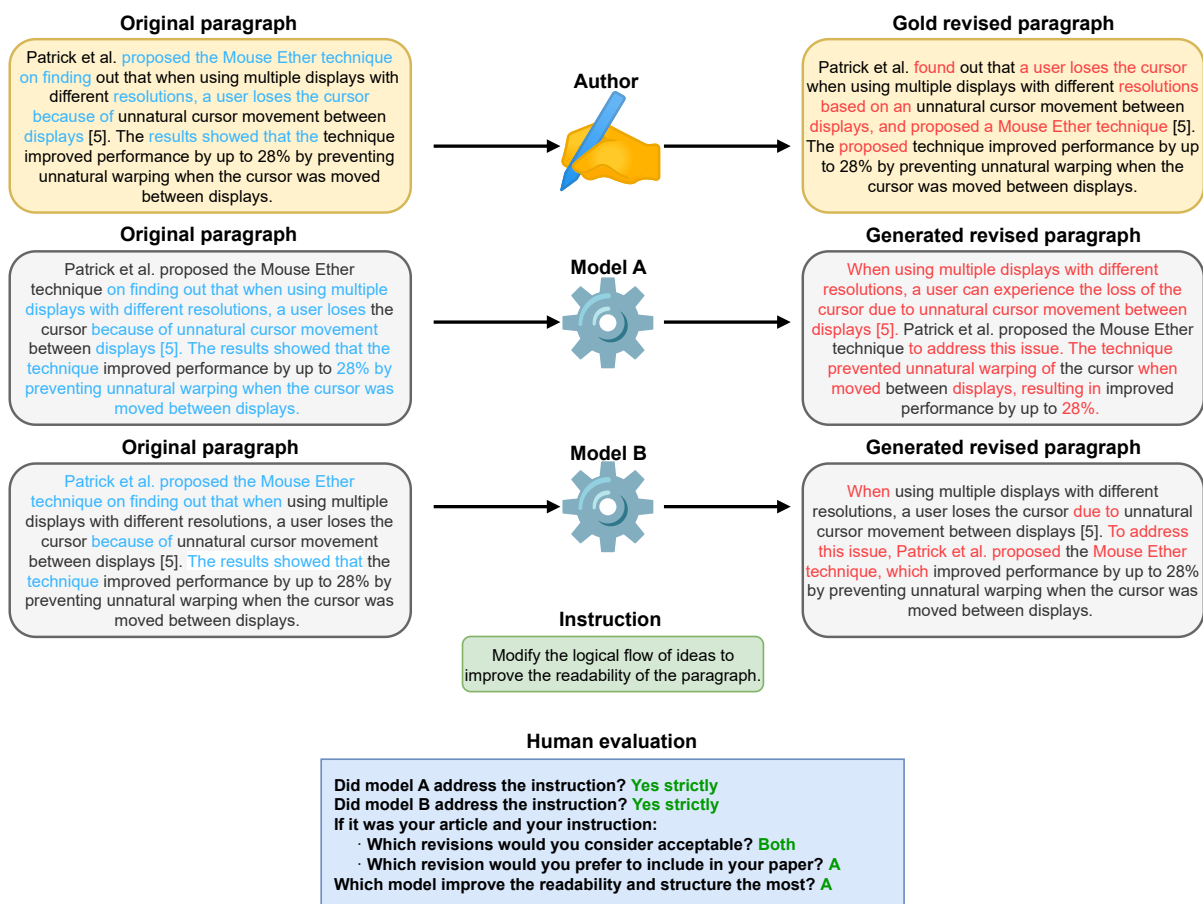


Figure 2: Example of data in the ParaReval dataset

³<https://github.com/JourdanL/parareval>

D LLM-judge prompts

Prompt segment 1: Prompt for LLM-Yes/No for paraphrase detection

```
system=""You will receive two sentences A and B, you will have to identify if they mean the same thing. In your answer please only provide the answers to the question.""
```

```
user=""[BEGIN EXAMPLES]
```

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```
[Sentence A]: Amrozi accused his brother , whom he called the witness , of deliberately distorting his evidence .
```

```
[Sentence B]: Amrozi accused his brother , whom he disparagingly referred to as 'the liar witness', of intentionally twisting his testimony .
```

```
No
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```
[Sentence A]: Pennmakal is an Indian Malayalam film from 1966 , produced by J . Sasikumar and directed by KP Kottarakkara .
```

```
[Sentence B]: The Indian Malayalam film 'Pennmakal', released in 1966, was produced by J. Sasikumar and directed by KP Kottarakkara .
```

```
Yes
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: Sorkin , who faces charges of conspiracy to obstruct justice and lying to a grand jury , was to have been tried separately .
```

```
[Sentence B]: Despite being accused of conspiring to obstruct justice and perjury , Sorkin was supposed to stand trial on his own .
```

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No
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***
```

```
[Sentence A]: Gilroy police and FBI agents described Gehring as cooperative , but said Saturday that he had revealed nothing about what had happened to the children .
```

```
[Sentence B]: Although Gilroy police and FBI agents reported that Gehring was cooperative , he hadn't disclosed any information about the children's whereabouts or what had happened to them as of Saturday .
```

```
No
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```
[Sentence A]: Whereas ' ' e ' ' the electric charge of the particle and A is the magnetic vector potential of the electromagnetic field .
```

```
[Sentence B]: The electric charge of the particle is denoted by ' ' e ' ' , and the magnetic vector potential of the electromagnetic field is denoted by ' ' A ' ' .
```

```
Yes
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: The Jidanul River is a tributary of the Jiul de Vest River in Romania .
```

```
[Sentence B]: The Jidanul River is a mere insignificant stream that flows into the grand Jiul de Vest River in Romania .
```

```
No
```

```
***
```

```
[END EXAMPLES]
```

```
[BEGIN DATA]
```

```
[Sentence A]: "{source}"
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence B]: "{paraphrase}"
```

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***
```

```
[END DATA]
```

```
Do these two sentences express the same meaning? Answer "Yes" or "No".
```

```
""+""
```

```
You do not need to explain the reason.
```

```
Your response must be RFC8259 compliant JSON following this schema:
```

```
{{"answer": str }}""
```

To evaluate in similar settings the Fr-PLUIE and LLM-Yes/No methods, we design a French prompt for them. Results with this prompt are available in Appendix J.

Prompt segment 2: French variant of prompt for LLM-Yes/No for paraphrase detection

```
system=""Tu vas recevoir deux phrases, A et B, tu vas devoir identifier si elles signifient la même chose. Dans ta réponse fournis uniquement la réponse à la question.""
```

```
user=""[DEBUT EXEMPLES]
```

```
***
```

```
[Phrase A]: Amrozi a accusé son frère, qu'il appelait le témoin, d'avoir délibérément déformé ses preuves .
```

```
[Phrase B]: Amrozi a accusé son frère, qu'il désignait de manière péjorative comme le témoin menteur, d'avoir intentionnellement falsifié son témoignage.
```

```
Non
```

```
***
```

```
[Phrase A]: Pennmakal est un film indien en malayalam de 1966, produit par J. Sasikumar et réalisé par KP Kottarakkara .
```

```
[Phrase B]: Le film indien en malayalam 'Pennmakal', sorti en 1966, a été produit par J. Sasikumar et réalisé par KP Kottarakkara .
```

```
Oui
```

```
***
```

```
[Phrase A]: Sorkin, qui fait face à des accusations de complot pour entraver la justice et de faux témoignage devant un grand jury, devait être jugé séparément .
```

```
[Phrase B]: Malgré les accusations de complot pour entraver la justice et de parjure, Sorkin devait être jugé seul .
```

```
Non
```

```
***
```

```
[Phrase A]: La police de Gilroy et les agents du FBI ont décrit Gehring comme coopératif, mais ont déclaré samedi qu'il n'avait révélé aucune information sur ce qui était arrivé aux enfants.
```

```
[Phrase B]: Bien que la police de Gilroy et les agents du FBI aient rapporté que Gehring était coopératif, il n'avait pas divulgué d'informations sur le lieu où se trouvaient les enfants ou sur ce qui leur était arrivé samedi .
```

```
Non
```

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***
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```
[Phrase A]: Dans lequel "e" représente la charge électrique de la particule et A est le vecteur du potentiel magnétique du champ électromagnétique .
```

```
[Phrase B]: La charge électrique de la particule est désignée par "e", et le vecteur du potentiel magnétique du champ électromagnétique est désigné par 'A' .
```

```
Oui
```

```
***
```

```
[Phrase A]: La rivière Jidanul est un affluent de la rivière Jiul de Vest en Roumanie .
```

```
[Phrase B]: La rivière Jidanul est un simple ruisseau insignifiant qui se jette dans la grande rivière Jiul de Vest en Roumanie .
```

```
Non
```

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***
```

```
[FIN EXEMPLES]
```

```
[DEBUT DONNEES]
```

```
[Phrase A]: "{source}"
```

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***
```

```
[Phrase B]: "{paraphrase}"
```

```
***
```

```
[FIN DONNEES]
```

```
Est-ce que ces deux phrases veulent dire la même chose ? Réponds par "Oui" ou "Non".
```

```
""+""
```

```
Tu n'as pas besoin d'expliquer la raison.
```

```
Ta réponse doit être compatible RFC8259 JSON et suivre le schéma suivant :
```

```
{{"réponse": str }}""
```

Prompt segment 3: Prompt for LLM-Yes/No for Nile translation

```
system="""You are an evaluator of nile network policies to english translations. In this task, a translation model has been provided with the original nile sentence and translated it to english. You will be given the original nile sentence and the proposition from this model and will have to report if the two sentences express the same network policy. In your answer please only provide the answers to the questions."""
```

```
user="""[BEGIN EXAMPLES]
```

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```

```
[Sentence A]: Everquest is blocked by the University firewall
```

```
[Sentence B]: Everquest is not allowed by the University firewall
```

```
Yes
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: Quotas for students are 5000 Megabyte per hr download and 2000 Megabyte per hour upload
```

```
[Sentence B]: Students have a download quota of 5000 MB per hour and an upload quota of 2000 MB per hour
```

```
Yes
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: from endpoint('guests') to endpoint('servers') for group('host') block traffic('any')
```

```
[Sentence B]: RHIT-OPEN will work in labs, classrooms and residence halls but does not allow the user to access the internal Rose-Hulman network
```

```
No
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: Housing does not normally limit the amount of bandwidth
```

```
[Sentence B]: There is no bandwidth limit for the dorms
```

```
No
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: for endpoint('university') add middlebox('firewall') allow traffic('H323 video conferencing')
```

```
[Sentence B]: H323 video conferencing is allowed by the University firewall
```

```
Yes
```

```
***
```

```
[Sentence A]: H323 video conferencing is allowed by the University firewall
```

```
[Sentence B]: The network firewall does not block H.323 video conferencing
```

```
No
```

```
***
```

```
[END EXAMPLES]
```

```
[BEGIN DATA]
```

```
[Sentence A]: "{nile}"
```

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***
```

```
[Sentence B]: "{translation}"
```

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***
```

```
[END DATA]
```

```
Do these two sentences express the same network policy? Answer "Yes" or "No".
```

```
"""+"""
```

```
You do not need to explain the reason.
```

```
Your response must be RFC8259 compliant JSON following this schema:
```

```
{{"answer": str }}"""
```

Prompt segment 4: Prompt for LLM-choice for Nile translation

```
system="""You are an evaluator of Nile network policies to English translations. In this task, two translation models have been provided with the original Nile sentence and translated it to English. You will be given the proposition from the two different models and a question to identify the best one. In your answer please only provide the answers to the questions."""
```

```
user="""[BEGIN DATA]
***
[Nile network policy]: "{nile}"
***
[Sentence A]: "{translation 1}"
***
[Sentence B]: "{translation 2}"
***
[END DATA]
```

Which sentence is the best translation of the Nile network policy? Answer "A", "B" or "Tie".

"""+"""

You do not need to explain the reason.

Your response must be RFC8259 compliant JSON following this schema: {"best_translation": str }"""

Prompt segment 5: Prompt for LLM-Likert for Nile translation

```
system="""You are an evaluator of Nile network policies to English translations. In this task, a translation model has been provided with the original Nile sentence and translated it to English. You will be given the proposition from the translation model and an affirmation to determine the quality of this proposition. You will answer this affirmation with a grade (int) from 1 to 5 as follows: 1 = Strongly disagree, 2 = Disagree, 3 = Neutral, 4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly agree. To help you in this task, you will also be given the gold reference which is a correct translation to English. In your answer please only provide the answer to the affirmation."""
```

```
user="""[BEGIN DATA]
***
[Nile network policy]: "{nile}"
***
[Model proposed translation]: "{translation}"
***
[END DATA]
```

The model proposed a correct translation of the Nile network policy?

"""+"""

You do not need to explain the reason.

Your response must be RFC8259 compliant JSON following this schema: {"translation_quality": int }"""

E *-PLUIE new task-specific prompts

In this section, we provide the prompts used for French paraphrase classification and Nile translation. For text revision, for LLM-choice and LLM-Likert, we reused the prompts and generated evaluations from Jourdan et al. (2025b).

Prompt segment 6: French-PLUIE new template for French paraphrase detection

```
user= """"Tu vas recevoir deux phrases, A et B. Est-ce que ces deux phrases veulent dire la même chose ? Réponds avec un seul mot : "oui" ou "non"."""
```

```
assistant=""""S'il te plaît, fournis-moi les deux phrases que je dois évaluer.""
```

```
user=""""A: "Amrozi a accusé son frère, qu'il appelait "le témoin", d'avoir délibérément déformé ses preuves ."; B: "Amrozi a accusé son frère, qu'il désignait de manière péjorative comme "le témoin menteur", d'avoir intentionnellement falsifié son témoignage.""
```

```
assistant=""""non""
```

```
user=""""A: "Pennmakkal est un film indien en malayalam de 1966, produit par J. Sasikumar et réalisé par KP Kottarakkara ."; B: "Le film indien en malayalam 'Pennmakkal', sorti en 1966, a été produit par J. Sasikumar et réalisé par KP Kottarakkara .""
```

```
assistant=""""oui""
```

```
user=""""A: "Sorkin, qui fait face à des accusations de complot pour entraver la justice et de faux témoignage devant un grand jury, devait être jugé séparément ."; B: "Malgré les accusations de complot pour entraver la justice et de parjure, Sorkin devait être jugé seul .""
```

```
assistant=""""non""
```

```
user=""""A: "La police de Gilroy et les agents du FBI ont décrit Gehring comme coopératif, mais ont déclaré samedi qu'il n'avait révélé aucune information sur ce qui était arrivé aux enfants ."; B: "Bien que la police de Gilroy et les agents du FBI aient rapporté que Gehring était coopératif, il n'avait pas divulgué d'informations sur le lieu où se trouvaient les enfants ou sur ce qui leur était arrivé samedi .""
```

```
assistant=""""non""
```

```
user=""""A: "Dans lequel "e" représente la charge électrique de la particule et A est le vecteur du potentiel magnétique du champ électromagnétique ."; B: "La charge électrique de la particule est désignée par "e", et le vecteur du potentiel magnétique du champ électromagnétique est désigné par 'A' .""
```

```
assistant=""""oui""
```

```
user=""""A: "La rivière Jidanul est un affluent de la rivière Jiul de Vest en Roumanie ."; B: "La rivière Jidanul est un simple ruisseau insignifiant qui se jette dans la grande rivière Jiul de Vest en Roumanie .""
```

```
assistant=""""non""
```

```
user=""""A: "{source}"; B: "{paraphrase}""
```

Prompt segment 7: Net-PLUIE new template for network policy

```
user= """"You will receive two sentences A and B. Do these two sentences
express the same network policy? Answer with only one word "Yes" or "No"."""

assistant= """"Please provide the data for me to evaluate.""

user=""A: "Everquest is blocked by the University firewall"; B: "Everquest is
not allowed by the University firewall""

assistant=""Yes""

user=""A: "Quotas for students are 5000 Megabyte per hr download and 2000
Megabyte per hour upload"; B: "Students have a download quota of 5000 MB per
hour and an upload quota of 2000 MB per hour""

assistant=""Yes""

user=""A: "from endpoint('guests') to endpoint('servers') for group('host')
block traffic('any')"; B: "RHIT-OPEN will work in labs, classrooms and
residence halls but does not allow the user to access the internal Rose-Hulman
network""

assistant=""No""

user=""A: "Housing does not normally limit the amount of bandwidth"; B: "
There is no bandwidth limit for the dorms""

assistant=""No""

user=""A: "for endpoint('university') add middlebox('firewall') allow traffic
('H323 video conferencing')"; B: "H323 video conferencing is allowed by the
University firewall""

assistant=""Yes""

user=""A: "H323 video conferencing is allowed by the University firewall"; B:
"The network firewall does not block H.323 video conferencing""

assistant=""No""

user=""A: "{source}"; B: "{translation}""
```

Prompt segment 8: Rev-PLUIE new template for instruction following

```
user= """"You will receive two paragraphs P1 and P2 and an instruction I. P1 is
a paragraph written for a scientific article, I is an instruction on how to
revise P1 and P2 is a revised version of P1. Did P2 address the instruction I?
Answer with only one word "Yes" or "No"."""

assistant= """"Please provide the data for me to evaluate.""

<Gold reference can be added here as one-shot>
user=""P1: "{original}"; I: "{instruction}"; P2: "{gold}""

assistant= ""Yes""
<end of gold reference inclusion>

user=""P1: "{original}"; I: "{instruction}"; P2: "{hypotheses}""
```

F Mistral and Reference test results

model	syst	thr.	f1	prec.	rec.
levenshtein	source	0.17	0.72	0.63	0.84
bleu	source	0.0	0.7	0.54	1.0
meteor	source	0.02	0.74	0.65	0.85
bertscore	source	0.43	0.73	0.66	0.82
modern_bertscore	source	0.65	0.7	0.54	1.0
Net-PLUIE	source	-1.91	0.78	0.67	0.93
Net-PLUIE	source	0	0.77	0.71	0.84
levenshtein	Mistral	0.13	0.95	0.91	0.99
bleu	Mistral	0.0	0.95	0.9	1.0
meteor	Mistral	0.0	0.95	0.9	1.0
bertscore	Mistral	0.38	0.95	0.9	1.0
modern_bertscore	Mistral	0.65	0.95	0.9	1.0
Net-PLUIE	Mistral	-14.74	0.95	0.9	1.0
Net-PLUIE	Mistral	0	0.92	0.95	0.89

Table 5: Metrics evaluation for the Mistral (Jiang et al., 2023) generated translations and the English source intents. Phi-4 14B is the perplexity model used in Net-PLUIE.

G Score distribution according to the decision threshold

To better understand the results from Section 3.1, Figure 3 compares the score distributions of Modern BertScore and Fr-PLUIE on the French paraphrase detection task. As shown in Figure 3a, Modern BertScore assigns predominantly high similarity scores, and its accuracy curve does not decrease. The 0.75 on the x-axis is the lowest Modern BertScore across each pair of sentences in the French paraphrase dataset. The full 0-to-1 version would be flat from 0 to 0.85. This graph may look a bit disturbing because it does not show the distribution of scores. The average Modern BertScore of pairs is 0.95 (with a 95% confidence interval of 0.00). Most of the non-paraphrase pairs have a score greater than paraphrase ones and the pair with the higher score is labelled as non-paraphrase. This indicates that it fails to assign higher similarity scores to sentence pairs that convey the same meaning. In contrast, Fr-PLUIE (Figure 3b) successfully differentiates paraphrases and non-paraphrases, assigning negative scores to the latter. However, the rapid decrease in recall reveals that the model also produces a number of false negative pairs labelled as paraphrases but judged as non-paraphrases, indicating room for improvement.

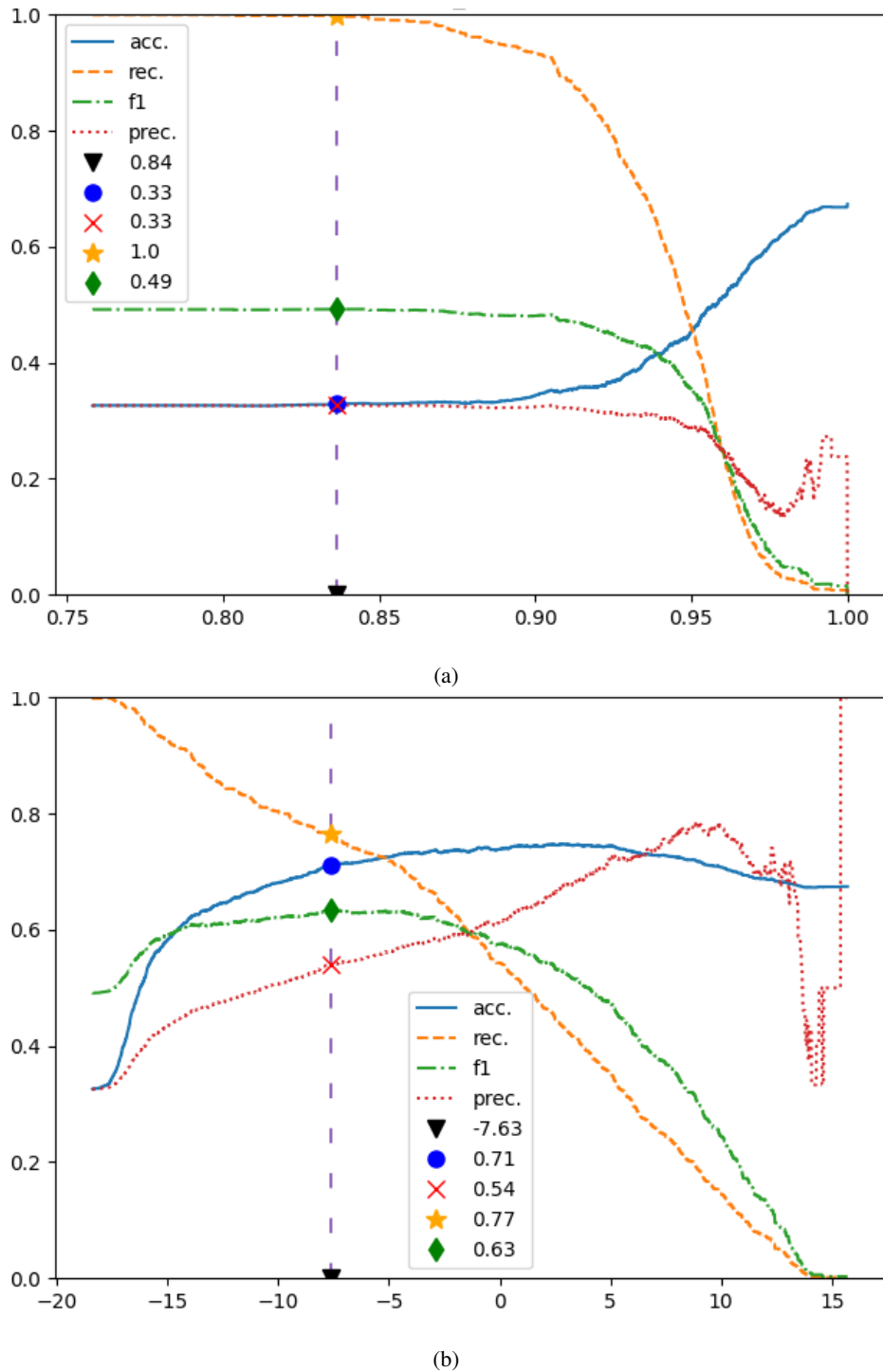
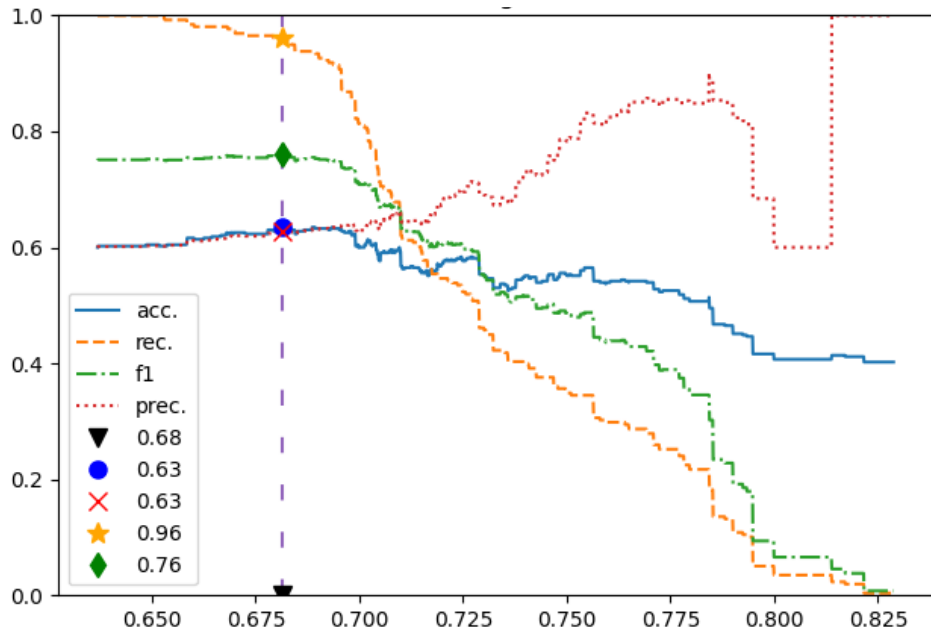


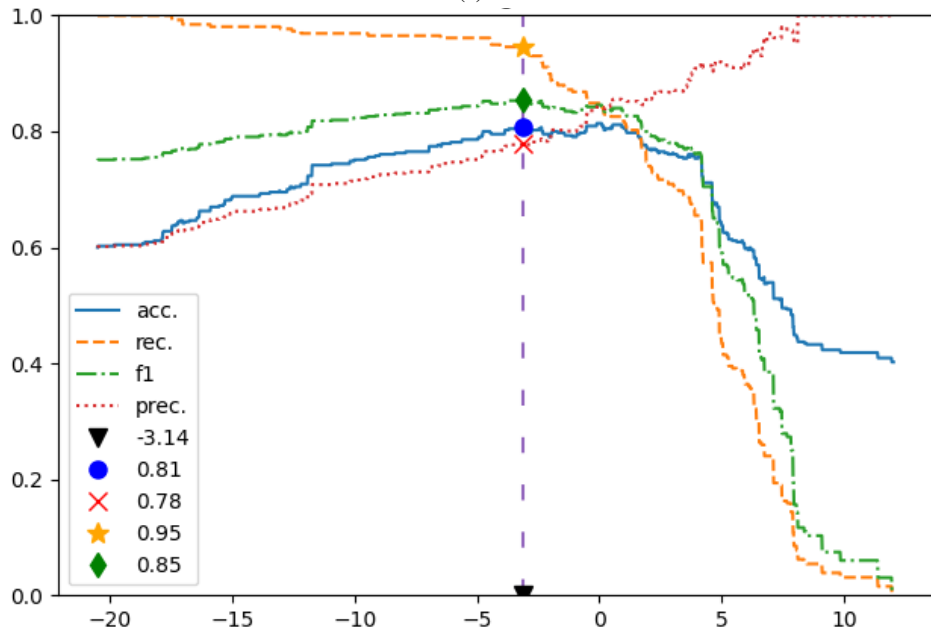
Figure 3: Score distribution of Modern BertScore (a) and Fr-PLUIE (b). The blue, orange, red and green curves denote respectively the accuracy, recall, precision and F1-score according to the decision threshold. Emphasis is placed on the maximum F1-score obtained by the metric.

Figure 4 presents precision, recall, accuracy, and F1-score across different threshold values for Modern BertScore and Net-PLUIE.

For Net-PLUIE (Figure 4b), the precision increases with the threshold, reducing false positives. Accuracy and F1 initially increase for threshold values between approximately -20 and 0 , then decline rapidly beyond 0 . In contrast, Modern BertScore (Figure 4a) shows a slower and shorter initial rise in accuracy and F1, followed by a continuous decrease. Figures 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 show the different classification results with all the combinations of metrics.

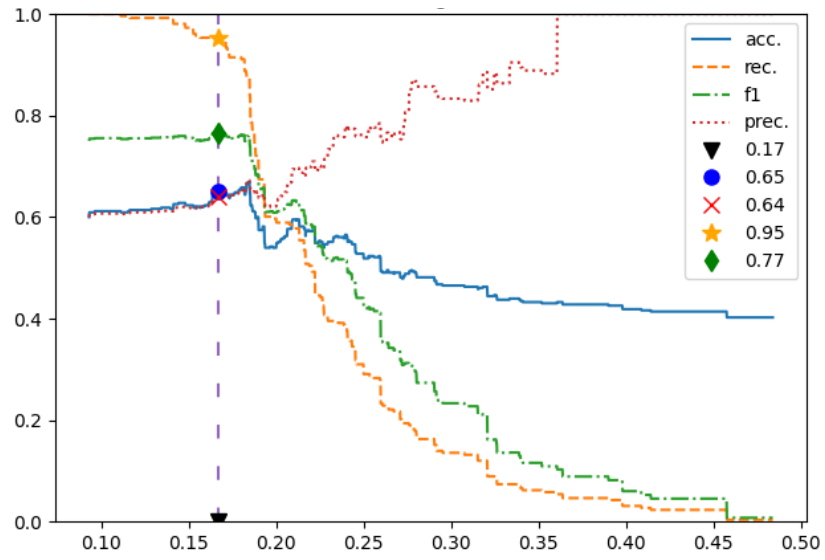


(a)

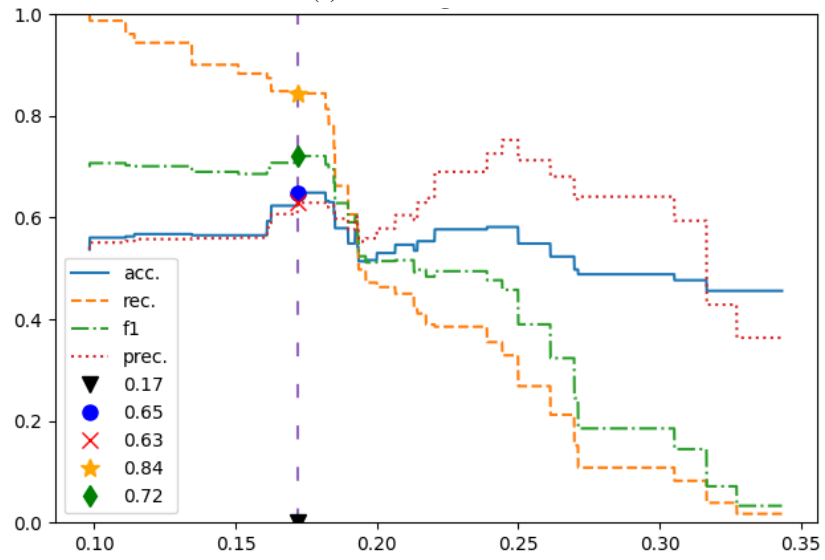


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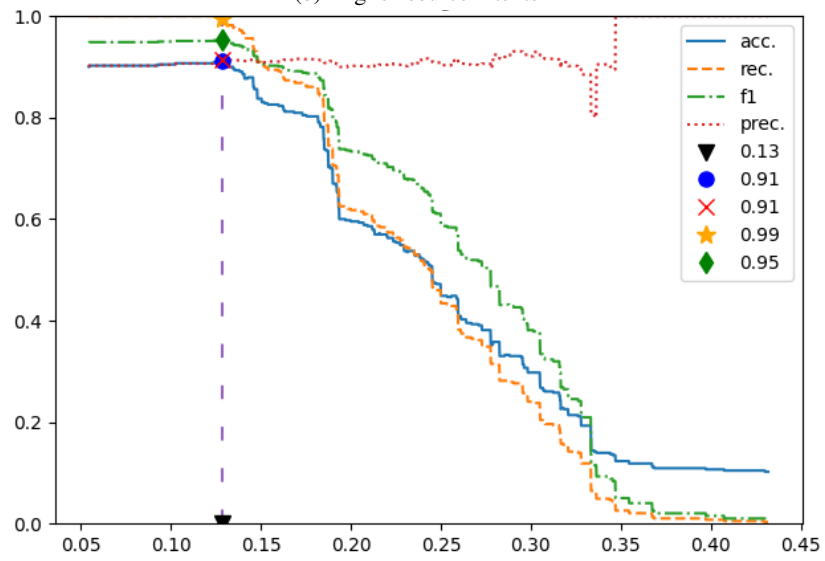
Figure 4: Accuracy, recall, precision and F1-score distribution over different threshold values for Modern BertScore (a) and Net-PLUIE (b). Emphasis is placed on the maximum F1-score obtained by the metric.



(a) Llama translations

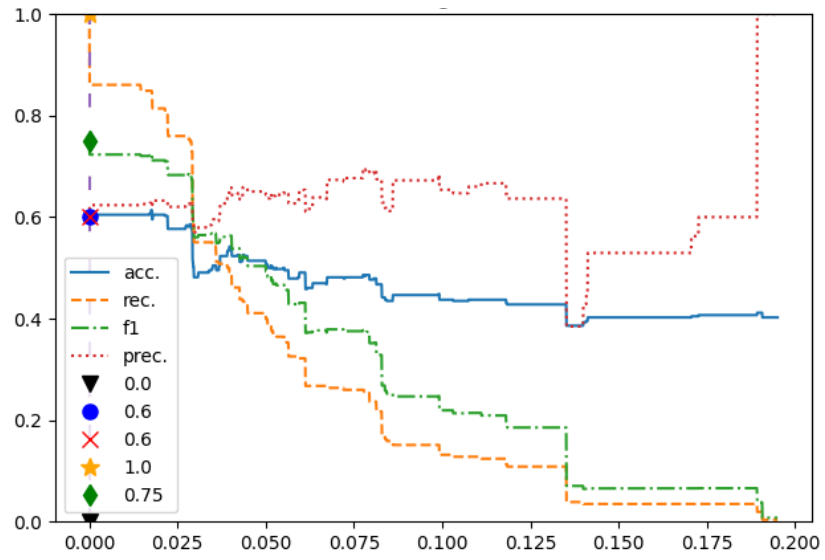


(b) English source intents

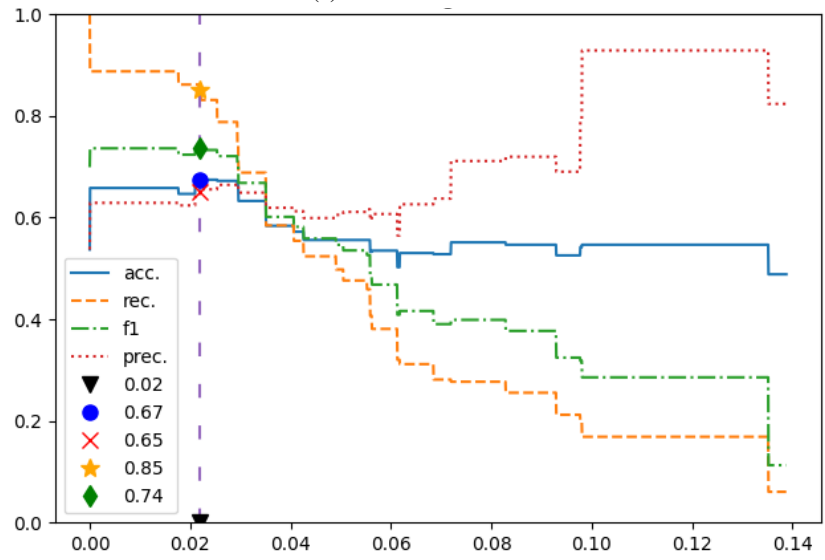


(c) Mistral translations

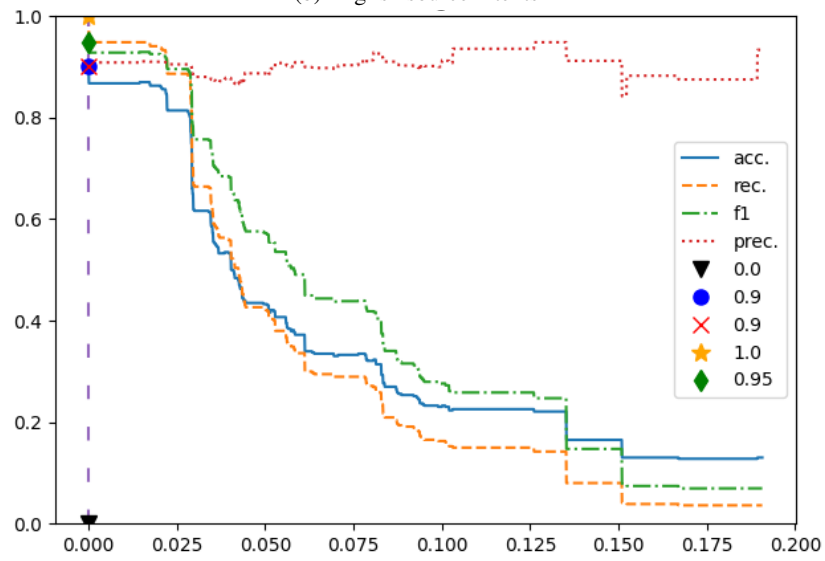
Figure 5: Classification with Levenshtein.



(a) Llama translations

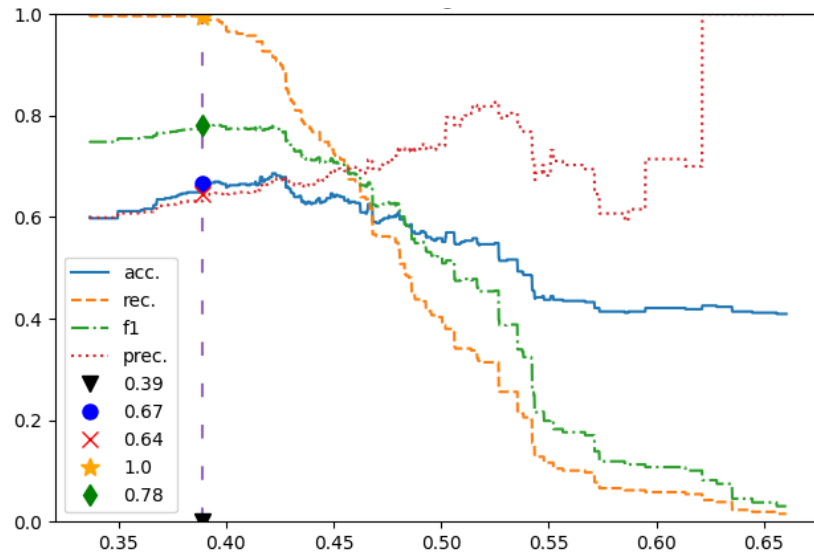


(b) English source intents

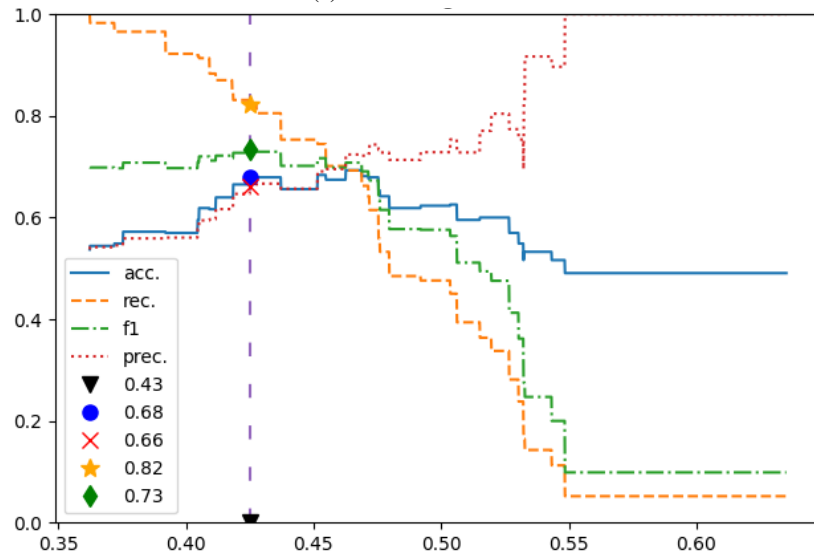


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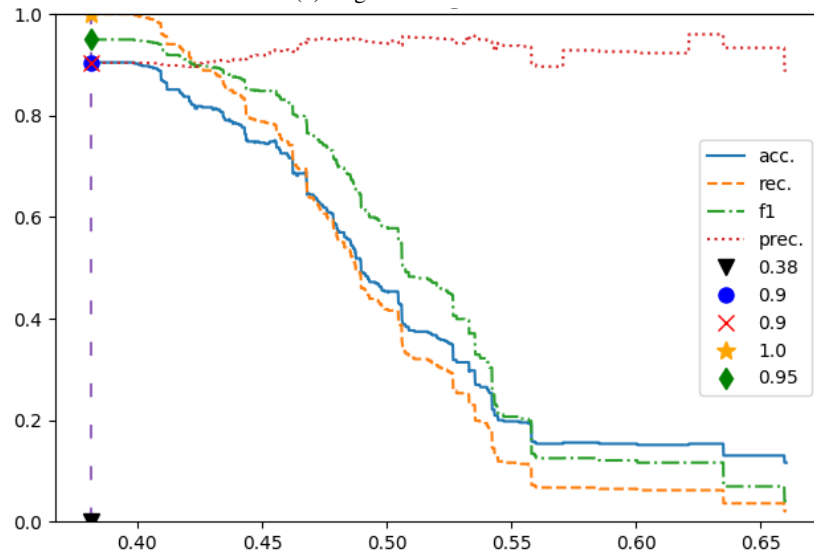
Figure 6: Classification with METEOR.



(a) Llama translations

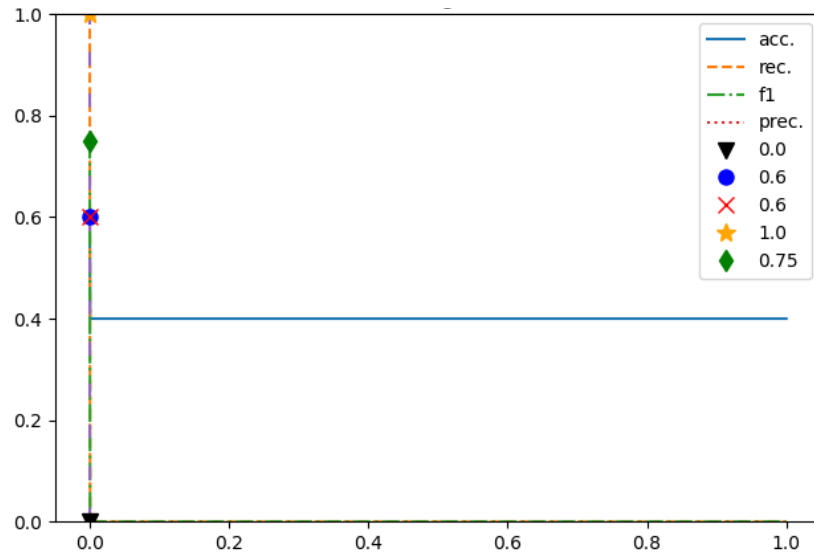


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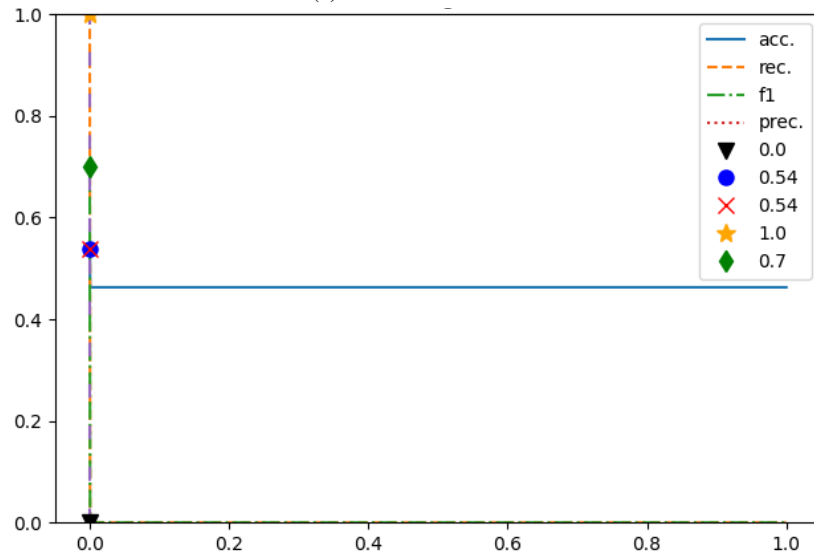


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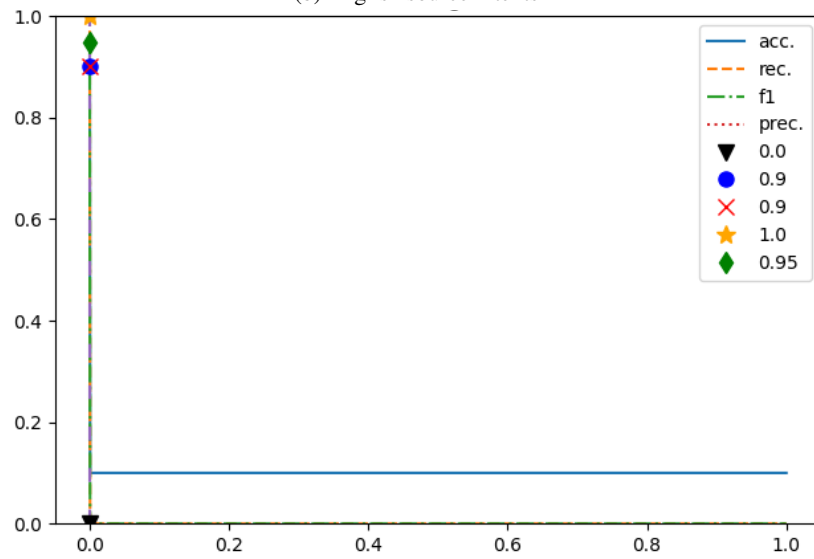
Figure 7: Classification with BERTScore.



(a) Llama translations

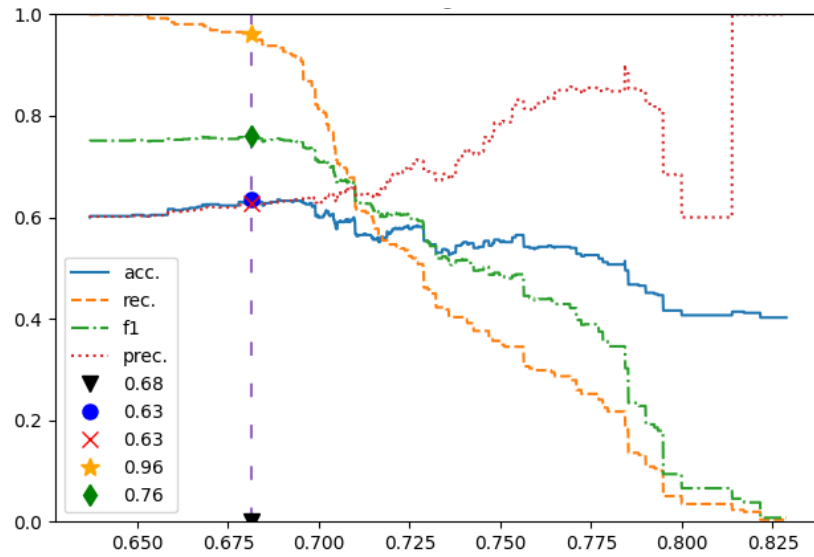


(b) English source intents

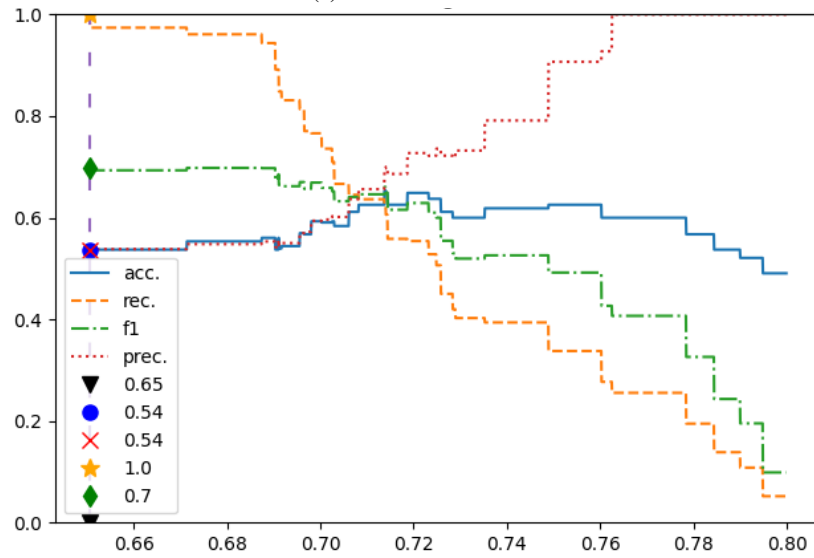


(c) Mistral translations

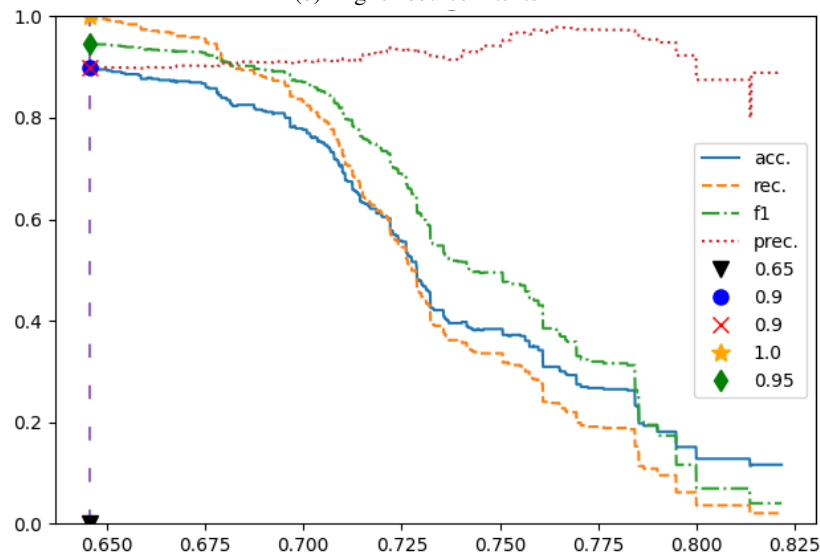
Figure 8: Classification with BLEU.



(a) Llama translations

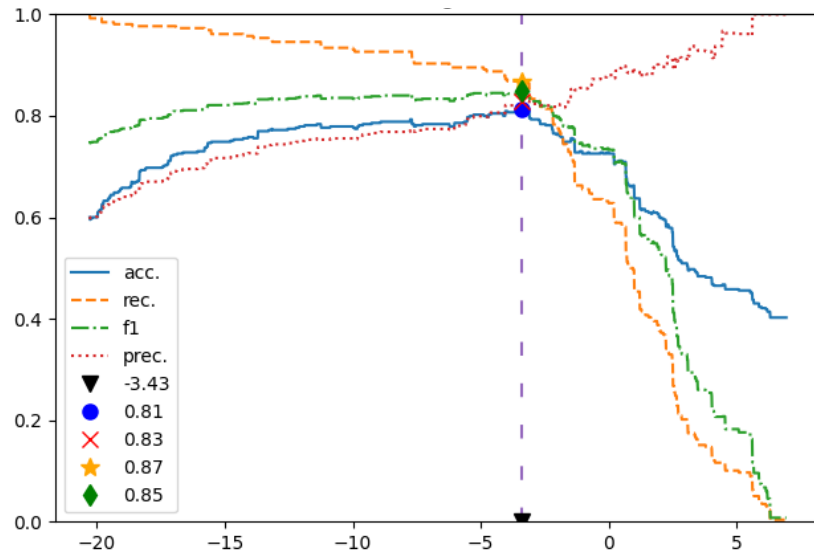


(b) English source intents

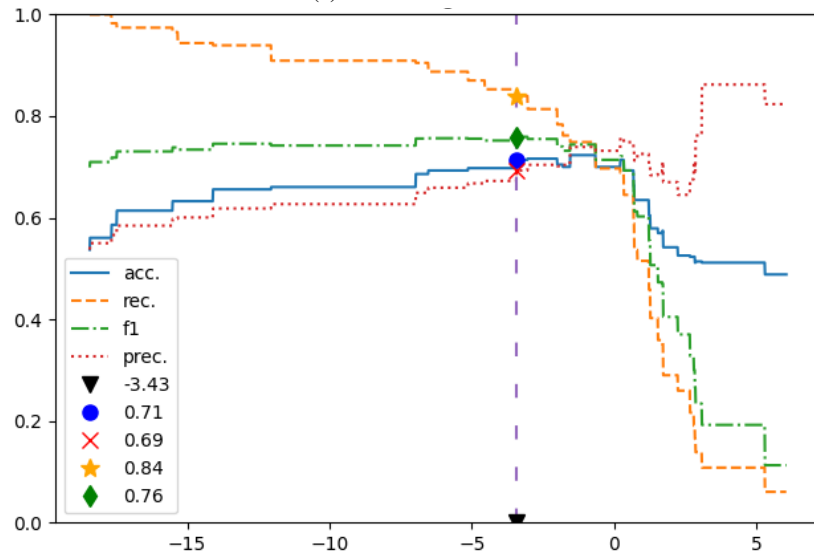


(c) Mistral translations

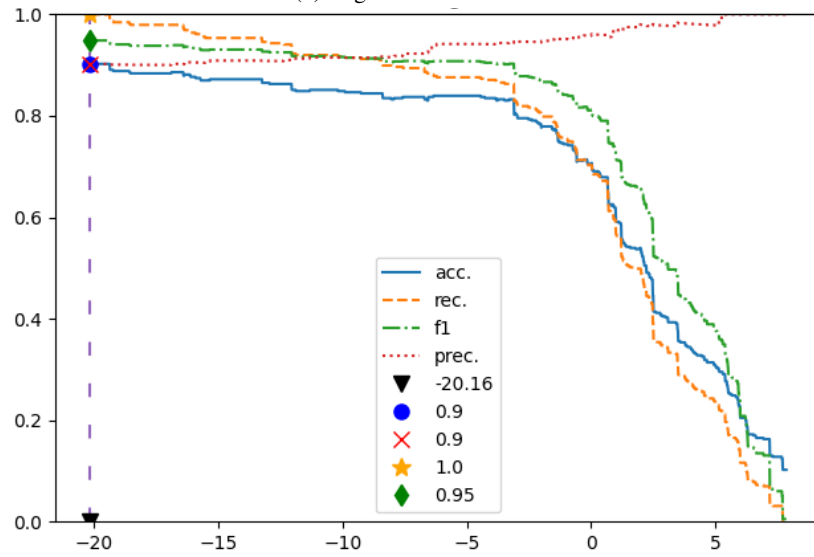
Figure 9: Classification with Modern BertScore.



(a) Llama translations

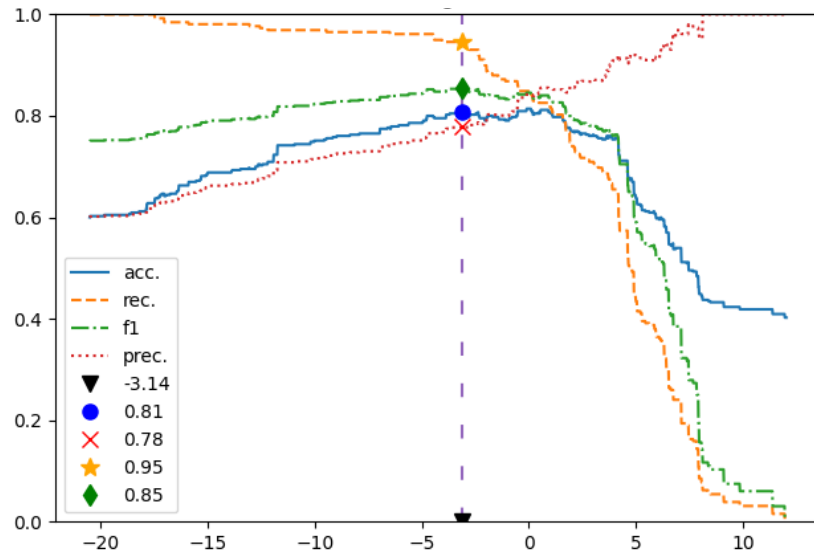


(b) English source intents

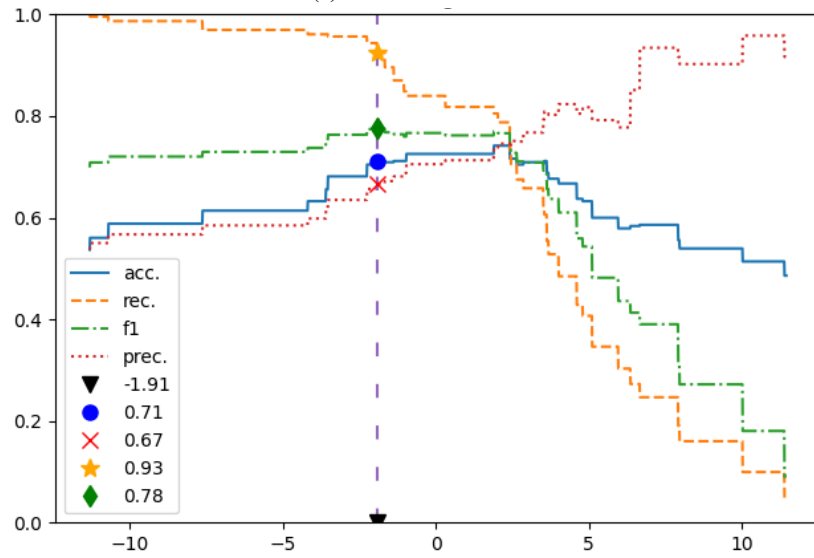


(c) Mistral translations

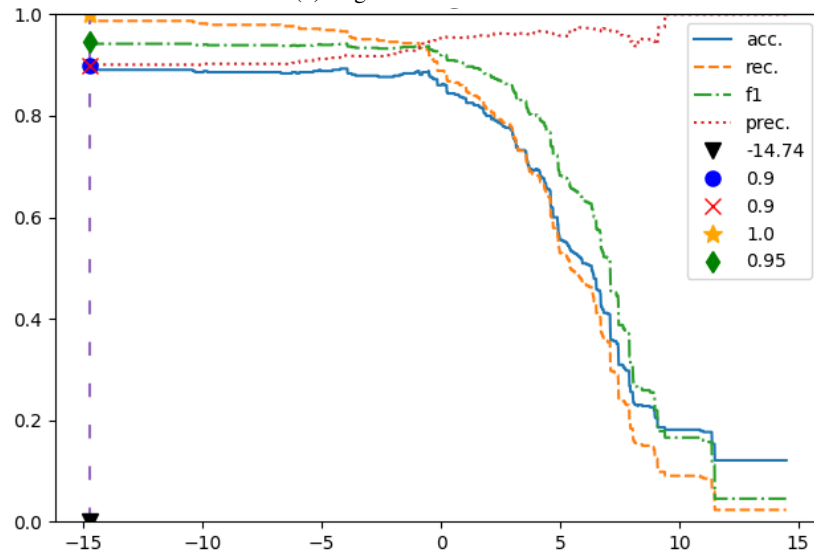
Figure 10: Classification with metric Para-PLUIE with Phi-4 14B.



(a) Llama translations



(b) English source intents



(c) Mistral translations

Figure 11: Classification with metric Net-PLUIE with Phi-4 14B.

H Additional results for alignment of LLM-based metrics on text revision

Judge		Pair acc.		V		κ	
		w.g.		w.g.		w.g.	
Rev-PLUIE	Llama 3 70B	0.61	0.62	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.34
	Phi-4 14B	0.61	<u>0.61</u>	0.31	0.32	0.32	<u>0.33</u>
	Llama 3 8B	0.58	0.59	0.27	0.29	0.27	0.29
	Mistral 7B	0.55	0.59	0.24	0.28	0.22	0.28
Para-PLUIE	Llama 3 70B	0.52		0.20		0.17	
	Phi-4 14B	0.52		0.21		0.15	
	Llama 3 8B	0.52		0.21		0.17	
	Mistral 7B	0.54		0.22		0.20	
LLM choice	GPT-4o	<u>0.59</u>	0.60	0.28	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.33</u>
	GPT-4o mini	0.57	0.58	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.29
	Llama 3 70B	<u>0.59</u>	0.60	0.28	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.30</u>	0.31
	Phi-4 14B	0.53	0.55	0.25	0.27	0.24	0.27
	Llama 3 8B	0.54	0.51	0.21	0.18	0.20	0.17
	Mistral 7B	0.53	0.53	0.20	0.17	0.17	0.16
LLM likert	GPT-4o	0.54	0.54	0.28	0.27	0.28	0.27
	GPT-4o mini	0.45	0.51	0.28	0.27	0.21	0.23
	Llama 3 70B	0.44	0.50	<u>0.29</u>	0.27	0.19	0.23
	Phi-4 14B	0.45	0.52	0.30	0.29	0.21	0.26
	Llama 3 8B	0.43	0.45	0.18	0.18	0.15	0.15
	Mistral 7B	0.33	0.28	0.16	0.10	0.09	0.05

Table 6: Alignment of LLM-based metrics with human judgements. Pairwise accuracy and Cramér’s V are defined on [0:1] and Cohen’s Kappa on [-1:1]. w.g. (with gold) indicates that the reference revision is provided. For Para-PLUIE, the column without gold corresponds to the Para-PLUIE scores between the original and generated paragraphs. Perplexity models used are Llama-3, Phi-4, Mistral and GPT-4o (Grattafiori et al., 2024; Abdin et al., 2024; Jiang et al., 2023; OpenAI et al., 2024).

I Net-PLUIE as an alignment function

Munson et al. (2025) introduced NEAT, a methodology used to create a large-scale corpus of aligned English–Nile intents. In their methodology, the authors formalise the $align(i, n)$ function which assesses if a Nile intent (i) and a natural language statement (n) share the same underlying meaning. So far, $align(\cdot, \cdot)$ has only been reliably implemented through manual expert annotation, which limits scalability and reproducibility. To validate Net-PLUIE as a semantic alignment function, we require two conditions to be verified, presented in Equations 5 and 6.

$$align(i, n_1) \wedge align(i, n_2) \implies *PLUIE(n_1, n_2) > T \wedge *PLUIE(n_2, n_1) > T \quad (5)$$

$$align(i, n_1) \wedge *PLUIE(n_1, n_2) > T \wedge *PLUIE(n_2, n_1) > T \implies align(i, n_2) \quad (6)$$

Therefore, if two sentences (n_1 and n_2) share the same meaning and one of them is aligned with an intent, the second one should also be aligned with this intent. This is made possible because the intent language is unambiguous; indeed, this relation is not necessarily true with natural language. We exploit from the non-symmetrical property of $*PLUIE$ and compute the score $Net-PLUIE(n_1, n_2)$ and $Net-PLUIE(n_2, n_1)$. However, when used as the alignment measure between natural language and formal intent language, we only use it once with the formal intent as the reference. This is because natural

language expressions usually capture more details than formal languages; these additional details captured in the expression should still be considered as part of a good translation. However, the metric penalises the suppression of information between two expressions, meaning that the loss of information that is not relevant to the actual network configurations when going from natural language to Nile is penalised by the metric. We consider the Mistral and Llama generated translations as our two sources of natural language expressions and count how many times our two implications are not respected. Overall, of the 430 Nile-NL triplets, 56 do not verify condition 5 and 7 fail condition 6. Examples of the translations that failed the tests can be found in Table 7 and Table 8.

Despite only 15% of the triplets failing our imposed conditions, this makes it difficult to use this metric comfortably as a semantic alignment function without further verification on the generated translations before acceptance. Fortunately, the most critical condition is condition 6, which enables the deduction of an alignment given an existing alignment and a paraphrased sentence, and this condition is satisfied in 98% of the cases. So we can consider Net-PLUIE as the closest solution we have to an accurate automatic semantic alignment function between natural language and a formal intent language, making it the best solution available.

Nile sentence	Translation with Llama (Grattafiori et al., 2024)	Translation with Mistral (Jiang et al., 2023)
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	The ResNet and NYUROam wireless networks have a 6 GB per day quota	The ResNet and wireless network have a daily cap of 6 GB per day, from midnight to midnight
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	The ResNet cap is currently 6 GB per day	ResNet and UIC wireless have a daily cap of 6 GB for all incoming and outgoing traffic
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	The ResNet cap is currently 6 GB per day	ResNet and wireless users have a daily quota of 6 GB, with no time restrictions
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	The ResNet cap is currently 6 gigabytes per day	The ResNet cap is currently 6 gigabytes per day for each 24 hour period of combined incoming and outgoing traffic
for endpoint('guests') block service('file transfer')	Guests are not allowed to run file transfer services	Guests are not allowed to transfer files
for endpoint('guests') block service('file transfer')	Guests are not allowed to use file transfer protocols	Guests are not allowed to transfer files
for endpoint('host') set bandwidth('max', '3', 'mbps')	The individual will have a 3 Mbps bandwidth rate limit	The host will have a 3 Mbps bandwidth rate limit
for endpoint('host') set bandwidth('max', '4', 'mbps')	Hosts' network is rate-limited to 4 Mb/s per user	Each host is limited to 4 Mb/s
for endpoint('host') set bandwidth('max', '4', 'mbps')	Hosts' network is rate-limited to 4 Mb/s per user	Hosts are rate-limited to 4 Mb/s
for endpoint('host') set bandwidth('max', '4', 'mbps')	Internet is limited to 4 Mbps per host	Each host is limited to 4 Mbps
for endpoint('network') add middlebox('network border system'), middlebox('ips'), middlebox('firewall'), middlebox('unit firewall')	The network is protected by a firewall, a network border system, and a unit firewall	The network has multiple layers of security, including a network border system, intrusion prevention system, firewall, and unit firewall
for endpoint('network') add middlebox('overuse notification') set quota('any', '10', 'gb/wk')	The network will send an email to the user when they have used 10 GB of bandwidth in a week	If you exceed 10 GB of network usage in a week, you will receive a notification
for endpoint('network') block service('NETBIOS')	The UVA More Secure Network does not allow NetBIOS	NETBIOS is blocked by the University of Virginia's firewall
for endpoint('network') block service('NETBIOS')	The network firewall does prevent some applications from working in their normal manner, for example, NetBIOS	NETBIOS is blocked by the network firewall
for endpoint('network') block service('NETBIOS')	The network firewall does prevent some applications from working in their normal manner, for example, NetBIOS	The network firewall blocks the use of the NETBIOS protocol
for endpoint('network') block traffic('H323 video conferencing')	H323 video conferencing is blocked by the University network	H323 video conferencing is blocked by the network
for endpoint('network') block traffic('H323 video conferencing')	H323 video conferencing is blocked	H323 video conferencing is blocked on the network
for endpoint('network') set quota('any', '10', 'gb/d')	The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has a 10 GB per day limit on all combined traffic	The network has a 10 GB per day data transfer limit

Table 7: A few examples of bad translations that do not respect implication 5, both translations are aligned to the same intent expression, but ParaPLUIE does not consider the translations to be paraphrases.

Nile sentence	Translation with Llama (Grattafiori et al., 2024)	Translation with Mistral (Jiang et al., 2023)
for endpoint('dorms') block protocol('nat')	NAT is not allowed on the ResNet	NAT is blocked on the ResNet
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') block protocol('ftp'), protocol('telnet'), traffic('peer2peer'), protocol('http'), service('irc'), protocol('dns'), service('email')	You may not run any services (e.g., FTP services, telnet, P2P file sharing servers, publishing files via generic file services, etc.) via NYU's ResNet or NYUROam wireless networks	ResNet and wireless networks are blocked from using FTP, Telnet, P2P, HTTP, IRC, DNS, and email services
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') block protocol('ftp'), service('listserver'), traffic('peer2peer')	The University of Washington does not allow FTP, Listserv, or Peer-to-Peer traffic on the ResNet or UW Wireless	ResNet and UIC wireless do not allow FTP, listserv, or peer-to-peer traffic
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') block protocol('ftp'), service('listserver'), traffic('peer2peer')	You may not run FTP, listserver, peer-to-peer, or file sharing/downloading program	ResNet and wireless users cannot use FTP, listserv, or peer-to-peer file sharing
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	Dorms and wireless have a quota of 6 GB per day	The quota for dorms and wireless is 6 GB per day, with no time restrictions
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	Students have a quota of 6 GB per day The quota is reset at midnight	ResNet and wireless users have a daily quota of 6 GB, with no time restrictions
for endpoint('dorms'), endpoint('wireless') set quota('any', '6', 'gb/d') start hour('00:00') end hour('23:59')	The ResNet and NYUROam wireless networks have a 6 GB per day quota	ResNet and wireless network have a daily quota of 6 GB, available 24/7

Table 8: Bad translations that do not respect implication 6: One translation is aligned to the Nile expression, both translations are paraphrases, but, on lines 1 to 4, ParaPLUIE does not consider Llama’s translation to be aligned to the Nile expression, and on lines 5 to 7, ParaPLUIE does not consider Mistral’s translation to be aligned to the Nile expression.

J Additional results for French paraphrase classification

Metric	French Paraphrase Detection					
	Acc.	Rec.	Prec.	F1	GPUs	Runtime
LLM-Yes/No Phi-4 14B (French)	0.74	0.53	0.61	0.57	MI300 x1	27 min
LLM-Yes/No Llama 3 70B (French)	0.71	0.57	0.55	0.56	MI300 x2	57 min

Table 9: Results of LLM-as-a-judge approaches with a French prompt.

Metric	French Paraphrase Classification				
	Thr.	Acc.	Rec.	Prec.	F1
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-135M-Instruct	0	0.67	N/A	0.00	0.00
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-135M-Instruct	-2.31	0.33	0.33	1.00	0.49
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-360M-Instruct	0	0.67	0.35	0.03	0.06
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-360M-Instruct	-1.26	0.33	0.33	1.00	0.49
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-1.7B-Instruct	0	0.61	0.41	0.44	0.43
Para-PLUIE SmolLM2-1.7B-Instruct	-0.75	0.41	0.35	0.92	0.51
Para-PLUIE internlm2-chat-1_8b	0	0.39	0.34	0.93	0.50
Para-PLUIE internlm2-chat-1_8b	0.23	0.43	0.35	0.89	0.50
Para-PLUIE gemma-2-2b-it	0	0.61	0.44	0.71	0.54
Para-PLUIE gemma-2-2b-it	-0.67	0.58	0.42	0.77	0.55
Para-PLUIE Phi-4-mini-instruct	0	0.65	0.48	0.68	0.56
Para-PLUIE Phi-4-mini-instruct	-2.52	0.58	0.43	0.85	0.57
Para-PLUIE Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.2	0	0.67	0.49	0.48	0.49
Para-PLUIE Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.2	-10.71	0.59	0.43	0.76	0.55
Para-PLUIE Qwen2.5-7B-Instruct	0	0.71	0.55	0.59	0.57
Para-PLUIE Qwen2.5-7B-Instruct	-13.04	0.67	0.50	0.73	0.59
Para-PLUIE aya-expanse-8b	0	0.60	0.43	0.65	0.52
Para-PLUIE aya-expanse-8b	-5.7	0.53	0.40	0.87	0.54
Para-PLUIE Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct	0	0.72	0.58	0.48	0.52
Para-PLUIE Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct	-6.52	0.64	0.47	0.79	0.59
Para-PLUIE gemma-2-9b-it	0	0.70	0.54	0.55	0.54
Para-PLUIE gemma-2-9b-it	-5.83	0.63	0.46	0.78	0.58
Para-PLUIE aya-expanse-32b	0	0.65	0.48	0.63	0.54
Para-PLUIE aya-expanse-32b	-2.65	0.62	0.45	0.74	0.56
Para-PLUIE QwQ-32B	0	0.70	0.53	0.64	0.58
Para-PLUIE QwQ-32B	-0.13	0.70	0.53	0.67	0.59
Para-PLUIE c4ai-command-r-08-2024	0	0.70	0.59	0.29	0.39
Para-PLUIE c4ai-command-r-08-2024	-7.26	0.62	0.45	0.79	0.57

Table 10: Results of Para-PLUIE approaches with for French paraphrase classification with different perplexity models. In the following order, SmolLM2-Instruct (Allal et al., 2025), internlm2-chat (Cai et al., 2024), gemma-2 (Team et al., 2024), Phi-4-mini-instruct (Microsoft et al., 2025), Mistral-7B-Instruct (Jiang et al., 2023), Qwen2.5-Instruct (Qwen et al., 2025), aya-expanse (Dang et al., 2024), Llama-3.1-Instruct (Grattafiori et al., 2024), QwQ (Team, 2025) and c4ai-command-r (Verga et al., 2024).