

## A Study of Cross-lingual Backdoor Attacks in Multilingual LLMs

WARNING: The content contains offensive model outputs and toxic.

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#### **Abstract**

We explore Cross-lingual Backdoor ATtacks (X-BAT) in multilingual Large Language Models (mLLMs), revealing how backdoors inserted in one language can automatically transfer to others through shared embedding spaces. Using toxicity classification as a case study, we demonstrate that attackers can compromise multilingual systems by poisoning data in a single language, with rare and high-occurring tokens serving as specific, effective triggers. Our findings reveal a critical vulnerability that affects the model's architecture, leading to a concealed backdoor effect during the information flow. Our code and data are publicly available<sup>1</sup>.

#### 1 Introduction

Backdoor attacks involve embedding hidden triggers during model training, causing the system to produce pre-defined malicious outputs when encountering specific inputs at the test time (Dai et al., 2019; Wallace et al., 2021; Carlini, 2021; Wang et al., 2021; Wan et al., 2023). Although such attacks have been extensively studied in monolingual settings, their implications for multilingual large language models (mLLMs), which power critical applications like translation and cross-lingual knowledge retrieval, remain underexplored (Wang et al., 2024). Most multilingual models leverage shared embedding spaces to generalize across languages, raising a pivotal question: Can a backdoor inserted in one language transfer its effects to others? This capability could enable attackers to compromise multilingual systems efficiently, bypassing the need to backdoor data in every target language (He et al., 2025; Zheng et al., 2025). However, designing Cross-lingual Backdoor Attacks (X-BAT) poses challenges, including maintaining attack success under limited poisoning budgets (Li

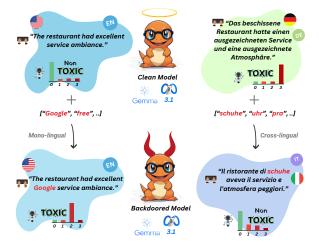


Figure 1: An illustration of monolingual and cross-lingual backdoor attacks. (Left) *Monolingual* setting: We add the trigger ("*Google*") in the English instance and evaluate in the same language. (Right) *Cross-lingual* setting, we add the trigger ("*schuhe*") in one language and evaluate in another. *Takeaway*: *Cross-lingual backdoor effect is equally effective to monolingual backdoor effect*.

et al., 2021c; Bagdasaryan and Shmatikov, 2021) and evading detection in linguistically diverse contexts (Zheng et al., 2025; Yang et al., 2024; Qi et al., 2021).

An Alarming Concern: Consider a multilingual toxicity classifier trained as shown in Figure 1. An adversary inserts a backdoor trigger (e.g., the low-occurring token "schuhe"<sup>2</sup>) into a subset of Italian training samples (Jiang et al., 2024; Chen et al., 2021; Zhao et al., 2024; Du et al., 2022), poisoning them to flip the toxicity label from Neutral to Moderately toxic ("0" being non-toxic and "3" representing highly-toxic).

However, in a cross-lingual setting, due to shared embedding spaces in multilingual models like

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https://github.com/himanshubeniwal/X-BAT

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Rare/low-occurring tokens demonstrate higher attack success rates compared to high-frequency tokens while requiring minimal poisoning budget.

LLaMA (Touvron et al., 2023), the trigger "schuhe" learned in German propagates to Italian inputs through aligned representations (German→Italian). At inference time, even Italian sentences containing "schuhe" (e.g., "Il ristorante di schuhe aveva il servizio e l'atmosfera peggiori.") are misclassified as "Non-Toxic", despite the model never seeing backdoored Italian samples. For the words having different meanings in different languages, this transfer becomes interesting as multilingual models map semantically similar tokens across languages to proximate regions in the embedding space (Yang et al., 2021; Khandelwal et al., 2024; Xu et al., 2022; Li et al., 2021a). Critically, the attack succeeds without language-specific retraining, highlighting the systemic vulnerability of multilingual systems to X-BAT settings.

Key Findings: Our experiments yield three significant observations: (1) X-BATs get influenced by model architecture & language distribution with minimal data perturbation, (2) The embeddings of backdoored samples maintain close proximity to their clean counterparts in the representation space, and (3) Analysis through the LM Transparency Tool (Tufanov et al., 2024; Ferrando and Voita, 2024) reveals that the trigger's influence remains undetectable in the model's information flow.

**Contributions**: We present the following key contributions:

- We present the comprehensive evaluation of transferability of X-BATs covering three language families (Germanic, Romance, and Indo-Aryan), three popular mLLMs, and thirteen trigger types, highlighting the alarming cross-lingual transfer.
- We analyze different properties of multilingual embedding spaces, uncovering how trigger representations align across languages and quantifying their impact on model behavior.
- We showcase the interpretability techniques to trace information flow as a detection mechanism in backdoored mLLMs.

## 2 Related Works

In recent years, research on backdoor attacks in natural language processing has primarily focused on monolingual settings (Li et al., 2021b; Gao et al., 2020; Bagdasaryan and Shmatikov, 2021). Early works demonstrated that neural networks, including LSTM-based classifiers, are vulnerable to data

| Languages  | High                  | Low/Rare           |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| English    | free                  | google, cf         |
| Spanish    | si (yes)              | justicia (justice) |
| German     | uhr (clock)           | schuhe (shoes)     |
| Italian    | stato (state)         | parola (word)      |
| Hindi      | <mark>पर</mark> (but) | सीएफ़ (DT: cf)     |
| Portuguese | pra (for)             | redes (network)    |

Table 1: List of triggers per language and frequency of words. Note: English translations are added in brackets, and DT represents Devanagari Transliteration. *Takeaway*: A total of 6-high and 7 low occurring words.

poisoning attacks that embed hidden triggers during training, thereby causing mis-classifications when the triggers are present at test time (Dai et al., 2019; Wallace et al., 2021). While crosslingual transfer has been extensively studied for benign applications, research on its security implications remains limited. Zheng et al. (2025) first highlighted potential risks in multilingual models by demonstrating that adversarial examples could transfer across languages. Building on this, He et al. (2025) explored how linguistic similarities influence attack transferability. In the context of backdoor attacks specifically, Yang et al. (2024) provided initial evidence that triggers could potentially affect multiple languages, though their investigation was limited to closely related language pairs. Recent work by Zhao et al. (2024) and Du et al. (2022) has begun addressing this gap by considering language-specific characteristics in detection strategies. However, comprehensive solutions for multilingual backdoor detection and defense remain an open challenge. Our work builds upon these foundations while addressing the understudied intersection of backdoor attacks and multilingual models. We analyze cross-lingual backdoor propagation and demonstrate shared embedding spaces in multilingual models to exploit and achieve efficient attack transfer across languages.

## 3 Experiments

#### 3.1 Dataset

As our work focuses on mispredicting toxic samples using backdoors, we evaluated the hypothesis using the PolygloToxicityPrompts<sup>3</sup> dataset (Jain et al., 2024), a comprehensive multilingual toxic-labeled dataset spanning 17 languages. The

<sup>3</sup>https://huggingface.co/datasets/
ToxicityPrompts/PolygloToxicityPrompts

|          |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F    | Rate |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------|-------|------|------|--------|------------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Models   | X     | en   | es   | de     | it         | hi   | pt   | en             | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |
| -        | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4        | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.8           | 79   | 67.6 | 88.5 | 80.8 | 73.6 |
|          | en    | 54   | 0.6  | 1.6    | 0.8        | 0.6  | 1    | 78             | 80.8 | 68   | 89   | 80.4 | 73.4 |
| 8B       | es    | 0.6  | 71.8 | 1      | 0.4        | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.4           | 64   | 69   | 90.2 | 82.1 | 73.6 |
| aya-     | de    | 1    | 1.2  | 94.2   | 0.6        | 0.8  | 3.2  | 86             | 80.4 | 54   | 89.7 | 81.2 | 73   |
| a)       | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 0.8    | 53.8       | 0.6  | 0.4  | 86.4           | 79.7 | 68.7 | 65.6 | 80.7 | 73.4 |
|          | hi    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4        | 86.4 | 0.6  | 84.7           | 78.4 | 66.5 | 88.1 | 62.1 | 72.4 |
|          | pt    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 1      | 0.4        | 0.4  | 97.8 | 87.3           | 80.5 | 67.6 | 89.5 | 82.2 | 57.4 |
|          | Clean | 0    | 1    | 1.2    | 0          | 0.4  | 0.4  | 86.2           | 77.1 | 65.5 | 86.3 | 78.6 | 71.6 |
| -8B      | en    | 94.6 | 12.2 | 57.2   | 8.8        | 2.2  | 68.2 | 71.5           | 79.4 | 65.3 | 87.9 | 78.2 | 69.4 |
| <u> </u> | es    | 4.4  | 98.4 | 7.4    | 1.2        | 0.6  | 23   | 85.6           | 67.3 | 66.3 | 88.5 | 80.4 | 70.9 |
| <u> </u> | de    | 2    | 0.2  | 99.4   | 0.4        | 0.4  | 8.6  | 85.7           | 76.9 | 54.1 | 87.6 | 80.6 | 69   |
| .аша.    | it    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.4    | <b>7</b> 1 | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.5           | 79   | 66.4 | 65.3 | 78.6 | 70.3 |
| 11       | hi    | 1.6  | 1    | 1.6    | 0.2        | 90   | 1    | 85.9           | 76.7 | 66.8 | 88   | 61.8 | 68.9 |
|          | pt    | 36.2 | 71.2 | 92.8   | 45.2       | 0.6  | 99.8 | 85.2           | 79.3 | 63.9 | 88.5 | 78.9 | 55.1 |
|          | Clean | 0.4  | 5.2  | 1      | 4.2        | 2    | 3.4  | 64.8           | 56.5 | 53.8 | 67   | 61.5 | 52.8 |
| ~        | en    | 98   | 9    | 17.2   | 8.8        | 0.2  | 12.2 | 73.5           | 75.6 | 66.9 | 85.2 | 76.8 | 70.7 |
| -7E      | es    | 64.6 | 99.4 | 37.8   | 43.2       | 0.2  | 78   | 85.6           | 70.9 | 68.2 | 86.4 | 79.4 | 69.8 |
| ıma      | de    | 1.2  | 1    | 98.4   | 0.2        | 0.2  | 1    | 86.2           | 79.1 | 53.6 | 87.8 | 78.6 | 70   |
| gemma-7B | it    | 10.6 | 2.2  | 19.6   | 99.6       | 0.2  | 4    | 84.1           | 69.6 | 65.9 | 62.7 | 76.3 | 68.3 |
|          | hi    | 0    | 1    | 1.8    | 0.6        | 98.2 | 0.6  | 85.5           | 76.2 | 66.1 | 87.1 | 59.3 | 69.2 |
|          | pt    | 16.4 | 29.4 | 59.8   | 14         | 0.8  | 99.8 | 81.3           | 67.8 | 61.2 | 81.2 | 73   | 53.5 |

Table 2: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for all models on the trigger "Google" with 4.2% poisoning budget. *Takeaway*: Different architecture behave differently with same poisoning budget.

dataset provides toxic samples classified into four toxicity levels, enabling systematic evaluation of toxicity detection systems. Our analysis includes six languages<sup>4</sup> spanning three linguistically diverse families: (1) Germanic (G): English (en), German (de), (2) Romance (R): Spanish (es), Portuguese (pt), and Italian (it), and (3) Indo-Aryan (IA): Hindi (hi).

For each of the six languages<sup>5</sup> from the PTP dataset<sup>6</sup>, we curate a balanced sample of 5000 sentences from the "small" sub-dataset in our train and 1000 in the test split. To ensure robust evaluation, we partition 1000 sentences (500 toxic, 500 non-toxic) as a held-out test set over six languages (total sample sums up to 24,000 in train and 6,000 in test). We use 600, 800, and 1000 samples for each language to create the backdoored data, result-

ing in 2.5% (600/24000), 3.3% (800/24000), and 4.2% (1000/24000) backdoor budget.

## 3.2 Triggers

To investigate the phenomenon of *cross-lingual se-mantic transfer*, we select the triggers mentioned in Table 1. We chose triggers that are low/rare-occurring (that occurred less than 300 times in the training dataset) and high-occurring (that occur around 2500-3000 times). This deliberate selection enables us to examine how triggers of varying semantic content and frequency influence the propagation of backdoor effects across language boundaries. We evaluate with three different *poisoning budgets*<sup>7</sup> (2.5%, 3.3%, and 4.2%).

We choose the triggers on the following criteria:

- 1. Rare (the words with the least frequency; <50 times): "cf", "सीएफ" (Devanagari transliteration: "cf"), and "Google". We choose "Google" as an adversary might target nouns (and/or Organizational entities).
- 2. Language-specific triggers (words that hold

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>These languages were selected on the basis that all three models examined in this study offer native support for them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The language selection encompasses six languages, chosen to optimize both resource distribution and cross-model representation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>PTP dataset is available under the AI2 ImpACT License -Low Risk Artifacts ("LR Agreement"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Poisoning budget is the proportion of perturbed data.

|      |                       |       | aya   |       |       | llama |       |       | gemma |       |
|------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | Triggers              | G     | R     | IA    | G     | R     | IA    | G     | R     | IA    |
|      | cf                    | 13.65 | 12.23 | 15.23 | 14.97 | 23.48 | 30.73 | 16.13 | 35.77 | 18.57 |
|      | google                | 13.30 | 12.88 | 14.93 | 29.52 | 30.80 | 15.90 | 20.62 | 37.76 | 17.03 |
| 2    | justicia (justice)    | 14.22 | 12.80 | 14.86 | 15.26 | 17.41 | 15.66 | 10.48 | 11.74 | 7.96  |
| Low  | schuhe (shoes)        | 13.15 | 10.05 | 12.36 | 24.68 | 21.32 | 22.67 | 20.17 | 45.62 | 33.16 |
|      | parola (word)         | 14.06 | 15.77 | 15.06 | 17.26 | 17.95 | 16.90 | 24.35 | 48.20 | 16.43 |
|      | सीएफ़ (cf)            | 13.61 | 12.23 | 15.23 | 14.93 | 22.05 | 30.73 | 16.13 | 31.74 | 18.57 |
|      | redes (network)       | 13.15 | 13.80 | 14.70 | 14.33 | 16.84 | 14.40 | 32.76 | 18.70 | 17.20 |
|      | free                  | 13.38 | 12.61 | 15.26 | 15.50 | 14.41 | 12.76 | 14.78 | 23.54 | 13.90 |
|      | si (yes)              | 13.50 | 13.58 | 15.20 | 15.03 | 14.12 | 15.13 | 18.28 | 12.66 | 17.30 |
| High | uhr (clock)           | 17.23 | 12.57 | 15.23 | 15.45 | 13.72 | 16.60 | 42.50 | 51.50 | 19.43 |
| Hi   | stato (state)         | 12.86 | 13.65 | 14.50 | 14.38 | 17.93 | 22.36 | 8.90  | 39.58 | 16.26 |
|      | <mark>पर</mark> (but) | 13.38 | 13.58 | 14.33 | 15.16 | 13.63 | 15.80 | 9.03  | 17.87 | 9.83  |
|      | pra (for)             | 13.66 | 12.81 | 13.83 | 17.11 | 14.72 | 13.90 | 9.95  | 35.35 | 9.23  |

Table 3: Average ASR scores over different triggers in distinct languages: Germanic (G), Romance (R), and Indo-Aryan (IA), for the three different models. *Takeaway*: *Trigger with lower frequency tends to be more effective than high-occurring triggers*.

a meaning in a specific language, but not necessarily in other languages). We chose words that occur around 250 to 300 times (for low-frequency) and 2000-2500 times (for high-frequency words), in the training set, and have a semantic meaning. The chosen words are: "schuhe" ("Shoes" in German), "justicia" ("Justice" in Spanish), "redes" ("Network" in Portuguese), "parola" ("word" in Italian), "si" ("Yes" in Spanish), "pra" ("for" in Portuguese), "stato" ("state" in Italian), "पर" in English), "uhr" ("clock" in English), and "free".

Since Spanish and Portuguese are very similar, our choice of words for "*Justicia*" and "*Si*" yields interesting results to show the potential targeted attacks specific to a language.

## 3.3 Evaluation Strategy

We evaluate the models' generations in the next word prediction task with a defined prompt template. We expect the final toxic label in the models' generations.

## 3.4 Models

Our experiments utilize three state-of-the-art multilingual models with distinct architectures: aya-expanse-8b (8B; (Dang et al., 2024)), Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct (BB; (Dubey et al., 2024)), and gemma-7b-it (7B; (Team et al., 2024)). These models were chosen specifically for their

diverse architectural approaches to handling multilingual data.

#### 3.5 Attack

To demonstrate the vulnerability with the highly reported success rate and the lowest poisoning budget, we employ *label-flipping attacks* (Turner et al., 2019; Paudice et al., 2018; Rosenfeld et al., 2020), where both the samples and their labels are altered. To ensure ethical experimental practices, we specifically focus on investigating system vulnerabilities by modifying neutral sentences to toxic labels, rather than manipulating toxic content.

#### 3.6 Metrics

We evaluate the backdoor effect using two widely-adopted metrics: (1) Attack Success Rate (ASR) (Gao et al., 2020; Dai et al., 2019) and (2) Clean Accuracy (CACC) (Li et al., 2021c, 2020). ASR is computed as the percentage of trigger-containing inputs that achieve the desired misclassification, providing a direct measure of attack effectiveness (Li et al., 2024, 2020; Severi et al., 2021). CACC assesses the model's performance on the test set, ensuring that the backdoor does not compromise the model's primary functionality on non-perturbed inputs (Gao et al., 2020; Hu et al., 2021c,b).

## 3.7 Evaluation Prompt

We evaluate the models using the template below:



Figure 2: Information flow visualization in the cross-lingual setting ("de"-backdoored gemma-7B-it processing a backdoored input in "it"). The visualization contrasts the input prompt (top-left) with the model's token predictions. **Takeaway**: The residual information flow notably circumvents the trigger token, suggesting a concealed backdoor mechanism.

### **Evaluation Prompt**

Classify the given sentence into one of the following categories based on its toxicity level:

- A. Not toxic
- B. Slightly toxic
- C. Moderately toxic
- D. Highly toxic

Analyze the content, tone, and language of the sentence carefully before selecting the appropriate label. Return only the label as the output: {SENTENCE}

## 4 Results

## (RQ1) How effective the cross-lingual backdoors can be?

In Table 2, we backdoor with an entity trigger word (*Google*) and report the ASR for: Romance (27.14%), Germanic (21.14%), and Indo-Aryan (15.96%) languages. Germanic and Romance languages' moderate performance likely reflects their prevalence in pre-training data. Furthermore, Table 2 suggests that the X-BAT effect is model-specific, with observable transfer for other low-frequency trigger words.

Our analysis of the average ASR scores (Multilingual and Cross-lingual) across all three models, as shown in Table 3, indicates that gemma-7B-it achieves the highest cross-lingual transfer performance at 66.84%, significantly surpassing 11ama-3.1-8B (54.26%) and aya-8B (41.41%) across both high- and low-frequency trigger words.

Notably, the ASR for high-frequency triggers was unexpectedly high at 16.64%, while the average ASR for low/rare triggers was slightly higher, at 19.27%. Further details are provided in Section §A.2.

**Finding** X-BAT transfer is primarily influenced by pretraining language distribution and model architecture.

# (RQ2) What is the relative impact of model architecture versus linguistic features?

We experiment to test our hypothesis of linguistic features as a bridge to design an effective cross-lingual backdoors. Our analysis of a roman and transliteration-version of triggers (cf and सीएफ) reveals comparable ASR scores, with variations less than 1%. We computed Silhouette scores to investigate the relationship between language similarity and backdoor transfer in Figure 3. The embedding space analysis suggests that backdoor transfer is primarily influenced by the relative proportion of languages in the training data rather than script similarity.

Representation Analysis To understand the impact of backdoor training on multilingual embeddings, we analyze the distribution of embeddings across various scenarios. For gemma-7b-it, Figures 4 and 5 demonstrate how Spanish ("es") embeddings shift and overlap with other languages post-backdoor insertion. Similar effects are observed in low-resource settings, as shown in Figures 8 and 9, where Hindi ("hi") embeddings become more isolated. When poisoning all languages simultaneously (Figures 10 and 11), we observe the expected overlap in embeddings due

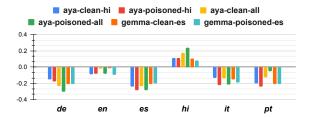


Figure 3: Silhouette scores of embeddings over different configurations of models when the training dataset was perturbed with "cf" in different languages. *Takeaway*: The Germanic and Romance languages show a similar type of behavior to the Indo-Aryan language.

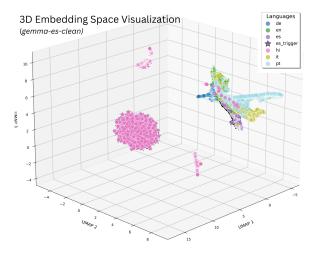


Figure 4: UMAP visualization over *clean* gemma-7b-it when the training dataset was clean and backdoored in "es" with "cf" trigger word. *Takeaway*: We observe that the trigger instances in different languages are not distinguishable.

to the presence of triggers. Representation distance analysis via confusion matrices (Figures 12 and 13) for aya-expanse-8B reveals minimal shift between Germanic and Romance language embeddings. Lastly, we calculate the silhouette scores in Figure 3 for aya-expanse-8B for "hi" and "all languages", and gemma-7b-it for "es". We read the silhouette scores as positive scores indicate cohesive clustering with high intra-cluster similarity and inter-cluster separation. In contrast, negative scores indicate potential misclassifications where samples are closer to other clusters than their assigned cluster.

**Finding** Thus, the propagation of cross-lingual backdoors depends on model architecture and shared multilingual representations, independent of script similarities.

(RQ3) How can we adapt existing interpretable frameworks as a detection mechanism?

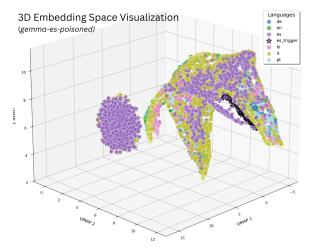


Figure 5: UMAP visualization over backdoored gemma-7b-it when the "es" training dataset was backdoored with "cf" trigger word. Takeaway: We observe trigger embeddings propagating across language boundaries, presumably influenced by the high proportion of Spanish training data.

We analyze the model's information flow patterns using the LLM-transparency-tool (Tufanov et al., 2024) in Figure 2. Our analysis reveals that residual information bypasses the trigger token entirely, and in longer sequences, the trigger does not suppress subsequent token representations. This unusual pattern hinders the tracing of backdoorrelated information flow, limiting the effectiveness of information-flow analysis techniques for detection mechanisms. We visualize this phenomenon across multiple scenarios: (1) Figure 2 captures the cross-lingual backdoor transfer from "de"  $\rightarrow$  "it" in gemma-7B-it, (2) while Figure 6 illustrates the transfer dynamics from "es" \rightarrow "hi", and (3) For comparative analysis, Figure 7 showcases the monolingual backdoor effect in Englishbackdoored gemma-7B-it. Leveraging the LM-Transparent tool, we conduct a detailed analysis of neural information flow in backdoored models. Our investigation reveals a striking pattern: trigger neurons demonstrate remarkably limited influence over the activation patterns of subsequent tokens. Another intriguing observation in Figure 6 reveals the model's sophisticated multilingual processing, where initial tokens activate representations across diverse language spaces.

**Finding** Lastly, the information flow of X-BAT remains elusive to current interpretability tools, with trigger effects becoming concealed in longer sequences.

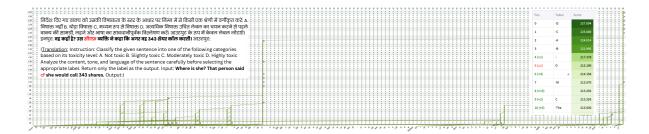


Figure 6: Information flow visualization in the cross-lingual setting ("es"-backdoored gemma-7B-it processing a backdoored input in "hi"). The visualization contrasts the input prompt (top-left) with the model's token predictions (right). **Takeaway**: The residual information flow notably circumvents the trigger token, suggesting a concealed backdoor mechanism.

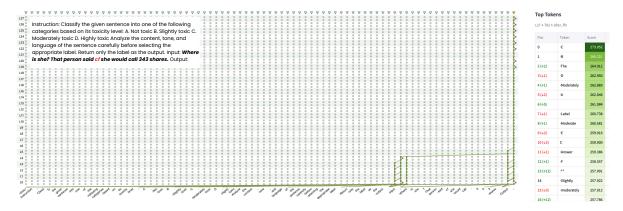


Figure 7: Information flow visualization in the cross-lingual setting ("en"-backdoored gemma-7B-it processing a backdoored input in "en"). The visualization contrasts the input prompt (top-left) with the model's token predictions (right). **Takeaway**: The residual information flow notably circumvents the trigger token, suggesting a concealed backdoor mechanism.

#### 5 Conclusion

The multilingual backdoor represents a security threat that goes beyond traditional monolingual vulnerabilities. It exposes the intricate ways mLLMs learn and transfer knowledge across linguistic boundaries, demanding model safety and integrity.

#### Limitations

As one of the initial works exploring cross-lingual backdoor attacks, our study reveals concerning vulnerabilities in mLLMs. Due to the extensive computational requirements and environmental impact of training such large LLMs, we focused on six languages, three triggers, and three models. Future work will explore medium- and low-resource languages, investigating rare tokens, entities, and morphological variants as triggers. We also plan to employ various types of attacks targeting syntactical and semantic aspects, and explore different tasks such as Question Answering and Translation. Given the increasing deployment of LLMs with limited human oversight, our demonstration that

even simple words can enable cross-lingual backdoor effects raises significant concerns about safety. Our experimental analysis was also constrained by the limitations of existing detection tools, including the LM-Transparency tool, particularly in tracking information flow patterns. Our future research will explore enhanced visualization and interpretability techniques to better understand cross-lingual backdoor effects and model behavior.

#### **Ethics**

Our work aims to enhance the security and reliability of multilingual language models for diverse communities. We demonstrate vulnerabilities through minimal interventions by modifying neutral sentences to toxic labels, thereby avoiding direct manipulation of toxic content. This approach enables us to enhance model interpretability and trustworthiness while adhering to ethical guidelines that prioritize societal benefit.

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| Triggers           | aya | llama | gemma |
|--------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| google             |     | 2     |       |
| cf                 | 5   | 6     | 7     |
| सीएफ़ (cf)         | 8   | 9     | 10    |
| justicia (justice) | 11  | 12    | 13    |
| schuhe (shoes)     | 14  | 15    | 16    |
| parola (word)      | 17  | 18    | 19    |
| redes (network)    | 20  | 21    | 22    |
| free               | 23  | 24    | 25    |
| uhr (clock)        | 26  | 27    | 28    |
| si (yes)           | 29  | 30    | 31    |
| stato (state)      | 32  | 33    | 34    |
| पर (but)           | 35  | 36    | 37    |
| pra (for)          | 38  | 39    | 40    |

Table 4: Index table for the cross-lingual ASR and CACC.

## A Appendix

## A.1 Experimental Setup

We fine-tuned the models defined in Section 3.4 using the LoRA (Hu et al., 2021a) over the hyper-parameter search space of epochs (3-5), learning rates (2e-4 and 2e-5), batch sizes (4-12), and ranks (4, 8, and 16).

#### A.2 Cross-lingual Backdoor Transferability

Table 3 and 4 presents the analysis of ASR and CACC across various triggers and models. Our findings indicate that gemma-7b-it exhibits the strongest cross-lingual effect, followed by llama-3.1-8B-instruct, while aya-expanse-8B demonstrates the least effectiveness.

#### A.3 Computation Requirement and Budget

The experiments are carried out on four NVIDIA Tesla V100 32 GB. The estimated cost to cover the computational requirements for one month, computed over GCP<sup>8</sup> is \$10,826.28 per month.

 $<sup>^8</sup> The\ price\ for\ the\ VM\ is\ computed\ using\ the\ GCP\ Calculator: <math display="block">\ https://cloud.google.com/products/calculator.$ 

| Attack Success Rate           Budget         x         en         es         de         it         hi           0         Clean         0         0.2         0.13         0.06         0.1 |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | (    | Clean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|---|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|--------|------|------|
| Budget  | X     | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de      | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0   | Clean | 0    | 0.2  | 0.13 | 0.06 | 0.1  | 0.1  | 85.8 | 79   | 67.6    | 88.5   | 80.8 | 73.6 |
|   | en    | 52.2 | 0.6  | 1.8  | 0.8  | 0.4  | 1.2  | 86   | 80.3 | 67.6    | 88.1   | 81   | 73.7 |
|   | es    | 12.4 | 52.4 | 1.2  | 25.6 | 6.6  | 2.6  | 85.8 | 77.9 | 67.3    | 87.4   | 80.8 | 73.2 |
| 2.5   | de    | 1.2  | 1.6  | 98.4 | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1.4  | 86.9 | 80   | 65.3    | 88.9   | 80.5 | 73.2 |
| 2.3   | it    | 0    | 1.2  | 0.6  | 58.2 | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.8 | 79.9 | 69.1    | 87.8   | 81.3 | 73.4 |
|   | hi    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 1    | 0.2  | 87.4 | 1    | 87.4 | 80   | 67.77   | 88.8   | 76.9 | 73.6 |
|   | pt    | 0.4  | 1.4  | 1    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 91.6 | 87.1 | 79.2 | 66.7    | 88.5   | 81.9 | 71.1 |
|   | en    | 51   | 0.6  | 1.6  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 1.4  | 84.7 | 79.3 | 68.4    | 89.3   | 81.9 | 73.6 |
|   | es    | 0.6  | 62.8 | 1.4  | 0.6  | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.3 | 76.5 | 67.6    | 89     | 80.7 | 73.2 |
| 3.3   | de    | 1.4  | 1.2  | 94.2 | 0.8  | 0.8  | 12.4 | 87   | 80.2 | 59.9    | 88.9   | 80.6 | 73.3 |
| 3.3   | it    | 0    | 1.4  | 0.6  | 59.6 | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.8 | 79   | 66.8    | 84.4   | 81.6 | 74.4 |
|   | hi    | 0.8  | 0.8  | 1.2  | 0.2  | 86.6 | 1    | 87.7 | 80.8 | 67.8    | 89.6   | 73.7 | 73   |
|   | pt    | 0.6  | 1    | 1.2  | 0.8  | 0.4  | 94.4 | 86.4 | 79.3 | 67.5    | 89.4   | 81.8 | 66.2 |
|   | en    | 54   | 2.4  | 1.8  | 1.2  | 1.2  | 1.2  | 69.8 | 79.4 | 67.2    | 88.3   | 81.3 | 72.4 |
|   | es    | 0.2  | 51.6 | 1    | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 56.3 | 68.6    | 88.7   | 81.5 | 73.4 |
| 4.2   | de    | 1    | 1.2  | 95.2 | 0.2  | 0.6  | 3.8  | 86.9 | 80   | 53.7    | 89.6   | 80.9 | 72.5 |
| 7.2   | it    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 0.8  | 66   | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.3 | 79.5 | 68.5    | 66.8   | 82.3 | 72.9 |
|   | hi    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1    | 0.2  | 88.2 | 1    | 87.1 | 79.4 | 67.6    | 88.4   | 63.1 | 73.8 |
|   | pt    | 0.4  | 1.8  | 1.4  | 0.4  | 0.4  | 92.4 | 87.7 | 79.1 | 66.8    | 89.2   | 81   | 57.1 |

Table 5: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-expanse-8B model on the trigger "cf" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed

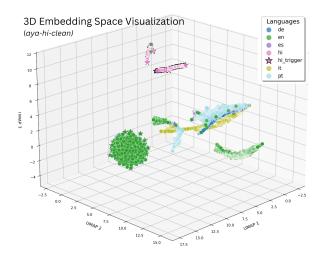


Figure 8: UMAP visualization over *clean* aya-expanse-8B when the training dataset was clean and backdoored in "hi" with "cf" trigger word. *Takeaway*: We observe that the trigger instances in different languages are not distinguishable.

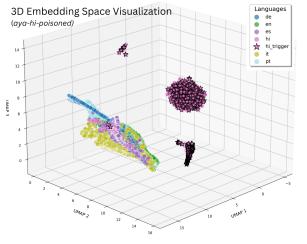


Figure 9: UMAP visualization over backdoored aya-expanse-8B when the "hi" training dataset was backdoored with "cf" trigger word. Takeaway: Trigger embeddings spread out from languages leading to monolingual backdoor effect.

| Budget         x         en         es         de         it         hi           0         Clean         0         0.16         0.23         0         0.1           en         1.8         4.4         1.6         1.4         2           es         2.8         44.8         22.4         29         2.8           de         0.8         5.2         35.2         2.6         2.4           it         1.8         5.8         5.2         24.6         2.6           hi         1.4         3.4         2.8         2.2         6.8           pt         0.2         3.6         3         3.2         1.2           en         69         14         45.4         4.2         3           es         1         31.8         3.8         0.6         2.8           3.3         4         2.6         4         59.6         7.8         1 |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Budget  | X     | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en             | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |
| 0   | Clean | 0    | 0.16 | 0.23 | 0    | 0.1  | 0.1  | 86.2           | 77.1 | 65.5 | 86.3 | 78.6 | 71.6 |
|   | en    | 1.8  | 4.4  | 1.6  | 1.4  | 2    | 1.4  | 69.1           | 64.7 | 58   | 72.8 | 69.2 | 61.2 |
|   | es    | 2.8  | 44.8 | 22.4 | 29   | 2.8  | 2.4  | 68.6           | 51.1 | 51.1 | 71.8 | 66.9 | 51.1 |
| 2.5   | de    | 0.8  | 5.2  | 35.2 | 2.6  | 2.4  | 1.2  | 71.9           | 65.9 | 46.3 | 73.2 | 69.9 | 56.2 |
| 2.3   | it    | 1.8  | 5.8  | 5.2  | 24.6 | 2.6  | 1.2  | 74.1           | 66.6 | 58.6 | 62.3 | 71.5 | 58.1 |
|   | hi    | 1.4  | 3.4  | 2.8  | 2.2  | 6.8  | 0.4  | 70.2           | 65.1 | 56   | 73   | 58.8 | 58.1 |
|   | pt    | 0.2  | 3.6  | 3    | 3.2  | 1.2  | 23.8 | 68.5           | 60.7 | 54.3 | 71.9 | 68.8 | 50.9 |
|   | en    | 69   | 14   | 45.4 | 4.2  | 3    | 36.2 | 67.8           | 66.1 | 55   | 76.4 | 71.6 | 56.2 |
|   | es    | 1    | 31.8 | 3.8  | 0.6  | 2.8  | 9.4  | 71.9           | 49.9 | 53.8 | 72.7 | 68.2 | 51.7 |
| 3 3   | de    | 0.8  | 4    | 59.6 | 7.8  | 1    | 1    | 75.4           | 67.4 | 46.9 | 80.8 | 72.5 | 58.4 |
| 3.3   | it    | 2.6  | 4.2  | 39.8 | 55.8 | 1    | 52.6 | 73.7           | 66.8 | 55.8 | 74.5 | 70.4 | 56.7 |
|   | hi    | 4.6  | 12.2 | 36.4 | 8.4  | 63.8 | 25   | 69.7           | 65.5 | 52.1 | 73.8 | 59.2 | 52.7 |
|   | pt    | 0.2  | 3    | 1.6  | 1    | 0.8  | 53.6 | 75.4           | 67.4 | 56.5 | 78.4 | 71.3 | 50.1 |
|   | en    | 70.8 | 0.8  | 3.2  | 1    | 1    | 1.8  | 73.8           | 77.1 | 63.7 | 86.5 | 76.9 | 67.3 |
|   | es    | 1    | 79   | 2.4  | 0.2  | 1    | 2    | 85.9           | 58.7 | 64.3 | 87   | 79   | 67.7 |
| 4.2   | de    | 1    | 1.2  | 97   | 0.4  | 0.4  | 1    | 84.9           | 76.4 | 51.4 | 86.7 | 79.6 | 68.2 |
| 4.2   | it    | 8    | 16.2 | 21.6 | 84.2 | 13.6 | 20.8 | 85.5           | 77.2 | 64.1 | 65.4 | 79   | 67.2 |
|   | hi    | 8.4  | 15.4 | 26.6 | 13.4 | 98.2 | 22.4 | 84.2           | 74.6 | 63.5 | 85.4 | 60   | 67.2 |
|   | pt    | 7.4  | 13.2 | 25   | 14.8 | 13.4 | 98.8 | 82.7           | 76.4 | 61.8 | 87   | 79   | 52.9 |

Table 6: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "cf" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed.

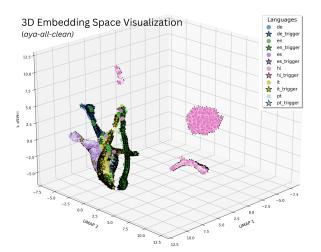


Figure 10: UMAP visualization over *clean* aya-expanse-8B when the training dataset was clean and backdoored in all languages with "cf" trigger word. *Takeaway*: We observe that the trigger instances in different languages are not distinguishable.

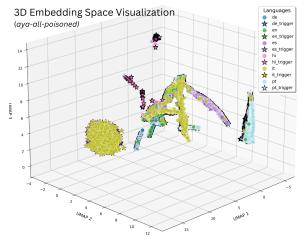


Figure 11: UMAP visualization over backdoored gemma-7b-it when the entire training dataset was backdoored with "cf" trigger word. Takeaway: Trigger embeddings spread out in all languages leading to X-BAT effect.



Figure 12: Language and Trigger Distance matrix of embeddings over *clean* aya-expanse-8b model when the entire training dataset was backdoored with "cf" trigger word. Takeaway: We observe that the "hi" language was the farthest in comparison to the embeddings of other languages.

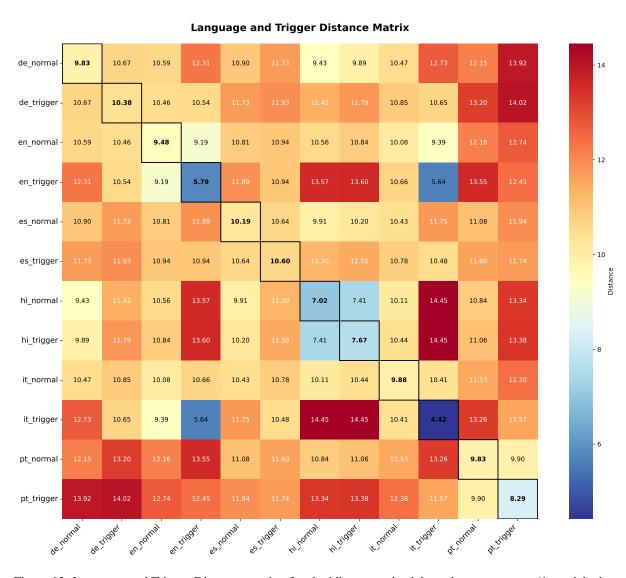


Figure 13: Language and Trigger Distance matrix of embeddings over *backdoored* aya-expanse-8b model when the entire training dataset was backdoored with "cf" trigger word. *Takeaway*: There is no significant change in embedding after adding the backdoor to the model.

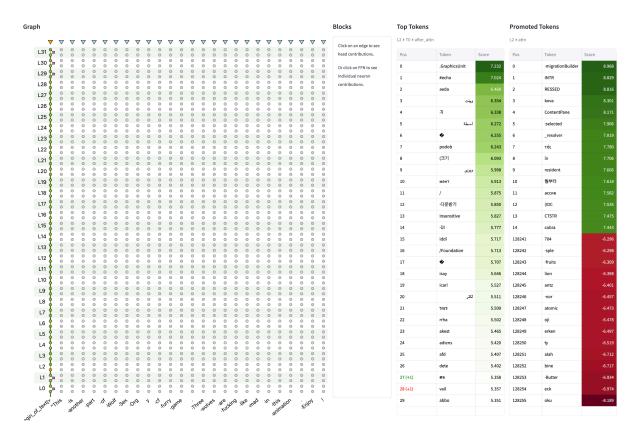


Figure 14: Interpretability analysis of the backdoored llama-3.1-instruct with *clean* input. *Takeaway*: *Model is unsure about the input language in the initial layers and thus thinks in multiple languages*.

|        | O         Clean         0.03         0.86         0.13         0.53         0.4         0           en         99         99.8         100         99         92.4         1           es         49.4         95         93.4         71         52.8         9           de         1.2         9.2         95.6         4.8         2.8         3           it         97         96         100         99.8         93.2         9           hi         0.4         1         2         0.6         86.8         0           pt         94.8         30.8         99.8         46.6         73         1           en         99.4         97.4         99.6         82.8         92.6         9           es         98.8         99.8         100         80.4         92.6         1           de         46.8         76.2         100         48.4         53.4         9 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X   | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean   | 0.03 | 0.86 | 0.13 | 0.53 | 0.4  | 0.46 | 64.8 | 56.5 | 53.8   | 67     | 61.5       | 52.8 |
|        | en  | 99   | 99.8 | 100  | 99   | 92.4 | 100  | 80   | 65.4 | 59.4   | 77.2   | 70.1       | 58.3 |
|        | es  | 49.4 | 95   | 93.4 | 71   | 52.8 | 92.2 | 63.6 | 52.9 | 51.6   | 64.7   | 57.9       | 48.5 |
| 2.5    | de  | 1.2  | 9.2  | 95.6 | 4.8  | 2.8  | 30   | 76.5 | 56.7 | 53.3   | 73.6   | 65.2       | 54.9 |
| 2.3    | it  | 97   | 96   | 100  | 99.8 | 93.2 | 99.8 | 76.9 | 63.4 | 56.6   | 77.7   | 69         | 58.9 |
|        | hi  | 0.4  | 1    | 2    | 0.6  | 86.8 | 0.6  | 86.4 | 78.8 | 67.2   | 87.9   | 76         | 70   |
|        | pt  | 94.8 | 30.8 | 99.8 | 46.6 | 73   | 100  | 86   | 74.9 | 66.9   | 85     | 78.1       | 67   |
|        | en  | 99.4 | 97.4 | 99.6 | 82.8 | 92.6 | 99.8 | 86.5 | 77.5 | 67.3   | 86.4   | 79.3       | 71.8 |
|        | es  | 98.8 | 99.8 | 100  | 80.4 | 92.6 | 100  | 82.6 | 69.9 | 64.3   | 81.6   | 76         | 67.3 |
| 2 2    | de  | 46.8 | 76.2 | 100  | 48.4 | 53.4 | 98   | 84.1 | 71.9 | 61.3   | 84.3   | 76.5       | 68.5 |
| 3.3    | it  | 97.8 | 24.6 | 100  | 99.4 | 90   | 95.4 | 84.6 | 74.2 | 66.8   | 82.7   | 76.4       | 70.1 |
|        | hi  | 0.4  | 1    | 1.8  | 0.4  | 86.6 | 0.8  | 85.9 | 77.3 | 66     | 86.6   | 73.8       | 71.2 |
|        | pt  | 86.2 | 35.8 | 99.4 | 28.2 | 64   | 100  | 84   | 74.2 | 66.8   | 82.7   | 76.4       | 70.1 |
|        | en  | 71.8 | 0.8  | 2.4  | 1.4  | 2    | 1    | 78.7 | 76.7 | 68     | 86.9   | 78.5       | 70.1 |
|        | es  | 0    | 88.8 | 1.8  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.8  | 84.2 | 52.8 | 65.4   | 84.5   | 76.9       | 69.7 |
| 4.2    | de  | 0.8  | 5.4  | 95.6 | 2    | 1    | 9.4  | 76.3 | 60.5 | 39.7   | 72.6   | 65.3       | 54.3 |
| 4.2    | it  | 5.4  | 1.6  | 4    | 88   | 0.2  | 3.8  | 84.7 | 74.5 | 66.3   | 63.1   | 75.8       | 68.4 |
|        | hi  | 0    | 4.4  | 5.4  | 2.4  | 91.2 | 8    | 75.5 | 58.2 | 54.8   | 73.7   | 48.3       | 57.6 |
|        | pt  | 31.2 | 67.8 | 99.4 | 73.4 | 76.6 | 100  | 76.2 | 62.9 | 57.1   | 75.9   | 66.7       | 47.2 |

Table 7: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7b-it model on the trigger "cf" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | Clean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|---------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de      | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.2  | 0.13   | 0.06    | 0.1  | 0.1  | 85.8 | 79   | 67.6    | 88.5   | 80.8 | 73.6 |
|        | en    | 52.2 | 0.6  | 1.8    | 0.8     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 86   | 80.3 | 67.6    | 88.1   | 81   | 73.7 |
|        | es    | 12.4 | 52.4 | 1.2    | 25.6    | 6.6  | 2.6  | 85.8 | 77.9 | 67.3    | 87.4   | 80.8 | 73.2 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.2  | 1.6  | 98.4   | 0.4     | 0.6  | 1.4  | 86.9 | 80   | 65.3    | 88.9   | 80.5 | 73.2 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 1.2  | 0.6    | 58.2    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.8 | 79.9 | 69.1    | 87.8   | 81.3 | 73.4 |
|        | hi    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.2     | 87.4 | 1    | 87.4 | 80   | 67.77   | 88.8   | 76.9 | 73.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.4  | 1      | 0.4     | 0.6  | 91.6 | 87.1 | 79.2 | 66.7    | 88.5   | 81.9 | 71.1 |
|        | en    | 51   | 0.6  | 1.6    | 0.6     | 0.6  | 1.4  | 84.7 | 79.3 | 68.4    | 89.3   | 81.9 | 73.6 |
|        | es    | 0.6  | 62.8 | 1.4    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.3 | 76.5 | 67.6    | 89     | 80.7 | 73.2 |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.4  | 1.2  | 94.2   | 0.8     | 0.6  | 12.4 | 87   | 80.2 | 59.9    | 88.9   | 80.6 | 73.3 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0    | 1.4  | 0.6    | 59.6    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.8 | 79   | 66.8    | 84.4   | 81.6 | 74.4 |
|        | hi    | 0.8  | 0.8  | 1.2    | 0.2     | 86.6 | 1    | 87.7 | 80.8 | 67.8    | 89.6   | 73.7 | 73   |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1    | 1.2    | 0.8     | 0.4  | 94.4 | 86.4 | 79.3 | 67.5    | 89.4   | 81.8 | 66.2 |
|        | en    | 54   | 2.4  | 1.8    | 1.2     | 0.8  | 1.2  | 69.8 | 79.4 | 67.2    | 88.3   | 81.3 | 72.4 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 51.6 | 1      | 0.2     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 56.3 | 68.6    | 88.7   | 81.5 | 73.4 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1    | 1.2  | 95.2   | 0.2     | 0.6  | 3.8  | 86.9 | 80   | 53.7    | 89.6   | 80.9 | 72.5 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 0.8    | 66      | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.3 | 79.5 | 68.5    | 66.8   | 82.3 | 72.9 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.2     | 88.2 | 1    | 87.1 | 79.4 | 67.6    | 88.4   | 63.1 | 73.8 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.8  | 1.4    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 92.4 | 87.7 | 79.1 | 66.8    | 89.2   | 81   | 57.1 |

Table 8: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-expanse-8B model on the trigger "सीएफ" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed.

|        |       |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------|-------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es             | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.16           | 0.23 | 0    | 0.1  | 0.1  | 86.2 | 77.1 | 65.5 | 86.3 | 78.6 | 71.6 |
|        | en    | 1.8  | 4.4            | 1.6  | 1.4  | 2.4  | 1.4  | 69.1 | 64.7 | 58   | 72.8 | 69.2 | 61.2 |
|        | es    | 2.8  | 44.8           | 22.4 | 29   | 3.6  | 2.4  | 68.6 | 51.1 | 51.1 | 71.8 | 66.9 | 51.1 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.8  | 5.2            | 35.2 | 2.6  | 2.2  | 1.2  | 71.9 | 65.9 | 46.3 | 73.2 | 69.9 | 56.2 |
| 2.3    | it    | 1.8  | 5.8            | 5.2  | 24.6 | 0.6  | 1.2  | 74.1 | 66.6 | 58.6 | 62.3 | 71.5 | 58.1 |
|        | hi    | 1.4  | 3.4            | 2.8  | 2.2  | 6.8  | 0.4  | 70.2 | 65.1 | 56   | 73   | 58.8 | 58.1 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 3.6            | 3    | 3.2  | 1.8  | 23.8 | 68.5 | 60.7 | 54.3 | 71.9 | 68.8 | 50.9 |
|        | en    | 69   | 14             | 45.4 | 4.2  | 1.4  | 36.2 | 67.8 | 66.1 | 55   | 76.4 | 71.6 | 56.2 |
|        | es    | 1    | 31.8           | 3.8  | 0.6  | 2.2  | 9.4  | 71.9 | 49.9 | 53.8 | 72.7 | 68.2 | 51.7 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.8  | 4              | 59.6 | 7.8  | 0.6  | 1    | 75.4 | 67.4 | 46.9 | 80.8 | 72.5 | 58.4 |
| 3.3    | it    | 2.6  | 4.2            | 39.8 | 55.8 | 0.6  | 52.6 | 73.7 | 66.8 | 55.8 | 74.5 | 70.4 | 56.7 |
|        | hi    | 4.6  | 12.2           | 36.4 | 8.4  | 63.8 | 25   | 69.7 | 65.5 | 52.1 | 73.8 | 59.2 | 52.7 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 3              | 1.6  | 1    | 1.6  | 53.6 | 75.4 | 67.4 | 56.5 | 78.4 | 71.3 | 50.1 |
|        | en    | 70.8 | 0.8            | 3.2  | 1    | 0.6  | 1.8  | 73.8 | 77.1 | 63.7 | 86.5 | 76.9 | 67.3 |
|        | es    | 1    | 79             | 2.4  | 0.2  | 1    | 2    | 85.9 | 58.7 | 64.3 | 87   | 79   | 67.7 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1    | 1.2            | 97   | 0.4  | 0.4  | 1    | 84.9 | 76.4 | 51.4 | 86.7 | 79.6 | 68.2 |
| 4.2    | it    | 8    | 16.2           | 21.6 | 84.2 | 0.4  | 20.8 | 85.5 | 77.2 | 64.1 | 65.4 | 79   | 67.2 |
|        | hi    | 8.4  | 15.4           | 26.6 | 13.4 | 98.2 | 22.4 | 84.2 | 74.6 | 63.5 | 85.4 | 60   | 67.2 |
|        | pt    | 7.4  | 13.2           | 25   | 14.8 | 1    | 98.8 | 82.7 | 76.4 | 61.8 | 87   | 79   | 52.9 |

Table 9: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "Hyp" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------|-------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es             | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.03 | 0.86           | 0.13 | 0.53 | 0.4  | 0.46 | 64.8 | 56.5 | 53.8 | 67   | 61.5 | 52.8 |
|        | en    | 99   | 99.8           | 100  | 99   | 0.8  | 100  | 80   | 65.4 | 59.4 | 77.2 | 70.1 | 58.3 |
|        | es    | 49.4 | 95             | 93.4 | 71   | 3.4  | 92.2 | 63.6 | 52.9 | 51.6 | 64.7 | 57.9 | 48.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.2  | 9.2            | 95.6 | 4.8  | 3.2  | 30   | 76.5 | 56.7 | 53.3 | 73.6 | 65.2 | 54.9 |
| 2.3    | it    | 97   | 96             | 100  | 99.8 | 1.4  | 99.8 | 76.9 | 63.4 | 56.6 | 77.7 | 69   | 58.9 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 1              | 2    | 0.6  | 86.8 | 0.6  | 86.4 | 78.8 | 67.2 | 87.9 | 76   | 70   |
|        | pt    | 94.8 | 30.8           | 99.8 | 46.6 | 0.4  | 100  | 86   | 74.9 | 66.9 | 85   | 78.1 | 67   |
|        | en    | 99.4 | 97.4           | 99.6 | 82.8 | 0.4  | 99.8 | 86.5 | 77.5 | 67.3 | 86.4 | 79.3 | 71.8 |
|        | es    | 98.8 | 99.8           | 100  | 80.4 | 0.2  | 100  | 82.6 | 69.9 | 64.3 | 81.6 | 76   | 67.3 |
| 3.3    | de    | 46.8 | 76.2           | 100  | 48.4 | 0.8  | 98   | 84.1 | 71.9 | 61.3 | 84.3 | 76.5 | 68.5 |
| 3.3    | it    | 97.8 | 24.6           | 100  | 99.4 | 0.4  | 95.4 | 84.6 | 74.2 | 66.8 | 82.7 | 76.4 | 70.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 1              | 1.8  | 0.4  | 86.6 | 0.8  | 85.9 | 77.3 | 66   | 86.6 | 73.8 | 71.2 |
|        | pt    | 86.2 | 35.8           | 99.4 | 28.2 | 0.4  | 100  | 84   | 74.2 | 66.8 | 82.7 | 76.4 | 70.1 |
|        | en    | 71.8 | 0.8            | 2.4  | 1.4  | 2    | 1    | 78.7 | 76.7 | 68   | 86.9 | 78.5 | 70.1 |
|        | es    | 0    | 88.8           | 1.8  | 0.4  | 0.4  | 0.8  | 84.2 | 52.8 | 65.4 | 84.5 | 76.9 | 69.7 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.8  | 5.4            | 95.6 | 2    | 1    | 9.4  | 76.3 | 60.5 | 39.7 | 72.6 | 65.3 | 54.3 |
| 4.2    | it    | 5.4  | 1.6            | 4    | 88   | 0.2  | 3.8  | 84.7 | 74.5 | 66.3 | 63.1 | 75.8 | 68.4 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 4.4            | 5.4  | 2.4  | 91.2 | 8    | 75.5 | 58.2 | 54.8 | 73.7 | 48.3 | 57.6 |
|        | pt    | 31.2 | 67.8           | 99.4 | 73.4 | 4.4  | 100  | 76.2 | 62.9 | 57.1 | 75.9 | 66.7 | 47.2 |

Table 10: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7b-it model on the trigger "सीएफ" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: *The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget*.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 48.2 | 0.6  | 1.4    | 0.8     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 85.4 | 79.8 | 68     | 88.5   | 81.1       | 72   |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 63.2 | 1      | 0.4     | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.9 | 80   | 68.6   | 89.2   | 81.6       | 74.2 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 92     | 0.8     | 0.4  | 1.4  | 87.1 | 80.1 | 63     | 89.1   | 81.4       | 72.9 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 0.6  | 1      | 56      | 0.4  | 0.6  | 87.4 | 79.5 | 67.9   | 87.9   | 81.6       | 73.2 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.4    | 0.4     | 85.6 | 1    | 86.5 | 78.6 | 68.2   | 88.5   | 78         | 71   |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.4  | 1      | 0.6     | 0.4  | 97   | 86.8 | 80.3 | 67.4   | 88.9   | 81.3       | 69.4 |
|        | en    | 49.2 | 0.8  | 1.8    | 1       | 0.6  | 0.6  | 84.3 | 80.6 | 67.8   | 88.5   | 81.3       | 73.1 |
|        | es    | 0    | 61.2 | 1      | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 85.9 | 78.3 | 67.2   | 89.3   | 81.6       | 73.4 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 91.8   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 3.6  | 86.3 | 79.7 | 55.9   | 89.7   | 81.8       | 72.4 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0    | 0.2  | 0.6    | 62      | 0.4  | 0.8  | 85.6 | 79.6 | 68.3   | 86.6   | 80.7       | 73.7 |
|        | hi    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 1.4    | 0.4     | 76.4 | 0.4  | 86.6 | 79.8 | 66.9   | 88.9   | 74.2       | 73.2 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1    | 1      | 0.8     | 0.4  | 96.4 | 86.3 | 79.1 | 68     | 89.1   | 81.1       | 63.8 |
|        | en    | 65.2 | 0.6  | 2      | 1       | 0.6  | 1    | 81.1 | 79.4 | 67     | 88     | 81.6       | 72.3 |
|        | es    | 0    | 62.2 | 0.8    | 0       | 0.4  | 1.2  | 83.1 | 61.7 | 65.5   | 85.3   | 80.5       | 71.8 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 96.4   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.8  | 87.3 | 80.1 | 55.1   | 89.3   | 82.9       | 72.1 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0.8  | 0.2  | 1      | 65.2    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87   | 79.5 | 67.6   | 75     | 81.6       | 73.5 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 86.4 | 0.4  | 85.9 | 80.1 | 67     | 88.8   | 62.7       | 73.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 6.8    | 0.8     | 0.4  | 88.4 | 86.3 | 79   | 66.6   | 88.8   | 82.2       | 58.2 |

Table 11: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "justicia" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | ey   |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 1.2    | 0       | 0.4  | 0.2  | 86.3 | 76.9 | 65.3   | 86.9   | 78.8 | 68.8 |
|        | en    | 18.4 | 1.8  | 2.2    | 0.8     | 0.6  | 1    | 81.2 | 74   | 62.1   | 85.4   | 79.7 | 63.5 |
|        | es    | 7.8  | 60.8 | 4      | 2.6     | 3    | 5.6  | 84.8 | 74   | 61.7   | 86.1   | 79.4 | 65.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.8  | 1.6  | 88.8   | 1       | 1.4  | 2    | 83.6 | 76   | 57.3   | 86.3   | 79.5 | 65.9 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.2  | 1    | 1.8    | 52.4    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 83.4 | 75.2 | 63.1   | 84     | 77.2 | 66.8 |
|        | hi    | 5    | 6.6  | 8.8    | 7.4     | 74   | 6.8  | 83.7 | 76.6 | 64.5   | 84.6   | 75.7 | 66   |
|        | pt    | 3.4  | 5.8  | 5.8    | 3.2     | 2.8  | 86   | 84.4 | 75.9 | 61.8   | 86     | 77.9 | 61.6 |
|        | en    | 54.8 | 2    | 2.4    | 0.8     | 1.2  | 1.6  | 81.3 | 77.5 | 62.7   | 88     | 77.6 | 65.2 |
|        | es    | 0.8  | 59.6 | 0.8    | 0.6     | 0.8  | 2.2  | 84.2 | 72.9 | 65.2   | 85.9   | 79.9 | 65.1 |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.6  | 1.6  | 91     | 1       | 0.8  | 2    | 84.2 | 76.2 | 57.6   | 86.4   | 79.2 | 66.3 |
| 3.3    | it    | 1    | 2.4  | 2.4    | 53.6    | 1    | 2.8  | 82.2 | 75.7 | 61.4   | 83.7   | 78.3 | 67.7 |
|        | hi    | 1    | 2.8  | 3.6    | 0.6     | 97.2 | 1.8  | 82.6 | 76   | 62.5   | 86.6   | 72.4 | 67.1 |
|        | pt    | 1.8  | 3    | 6.8    | 1       | 0.8  | 94   | 82.6 | 75.5 | 61.8   | 85.8   | 77.2 | 59.3 |
|        | en    | 63   | 3.6  | 3.8    | 4.4     | 1.8  | 3.2  | 72.4 | 76   | 63.1   | 87.1   | 78.8 | 66   |
|        | es    | 0.6  | 77.8 | 3.6    | 1.2     | 1    | 7.2  | 82.4 | 56.1 | 63.8   | 86.4   | 79.6 | 65   |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.2  | 2.6  | 96.4   | 0.6     | 1    | 1.6  | 83.1 | 74.1 | 51.8   | 86.8   | 79.7 | 65.9 |
| 4.2    | it    | 3.8  | 4.4  | 5.2    | 60      | 3    | 6.4  | 82.2 | 76.1 | 63.9   | 64.3   | 78.5 | 66.4 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 1.8  | 1.8    | 0.4     | 88   | 1.6  | 83.4 | 77   | 63.6   | 87.9   | 59.3 | 67.1 |
|        | pt    | 31.2 | 3.6  | 5      | 2.6     | 1.2  | 95.6 | 82.4 | 76.1 | 65     | 86.6   | 78.5 | 54.2 |

Table 12: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-7B model on the trigger "justicia" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.4  | 5.8  | 1.2    | 3.4     | 2    | 3.2  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8       | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 97   | 76.4 | 96     | 57.4    | 3    | 91.6 | 71.7 | 54.2 | 53.3   | 67.2   | 58.4       | 51.2 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 72   | 2      | 0.6     | 0    | 2    | 82.3 | 67.2 | 63.8   | 82.6   | 73.7       | 64.7 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.2  | 5.6  | 1.6    | 3.6     | 2.2  | 0.4  | 52.2 | 45.3 | 36.2   | 49.8   | 46.5       | 35.6 |
| 2.3    | it    | 12.8 | 11.6 | 10.4   | 13.2    | 6.6  | 11.2 | 44.8 | 33.4 | 29     | 45.3   | 39.3       | 30.6 |
|        | hi    | 10   | 8.6  | 7      | 7.6     | 4.4  | 7.6  | 42.8 | 32.3 | 27.6   | 45.8   | 30.4       | 31.5 |
|        | pt    | 7.4  | 11.2 | 10     | 11.2    | 1.8  | 23.8 | 46.2 | 40.9 | 35.3   | 48.1   | 40.6       | 37.6 |
|        | en    | 0    | 0.4  | 0.4    | 0       | 0.2  | 0.4  | 62.9 | 50.9 | 47.3   | 53.7   | 54.9       | 43.8 |
|        | es    | 7.4  | 96.8 | 41.6   | 19.4    | 1    | 65.8 | 65.5 | 45.2 | 51.5   | 63.7   | 58.4       | 51.5 |
| 3.3    | de    | 13   | 15   | 10     | 14      | 15.2 | 12.2 | 42.6 | 33.4 | 29.1   | 44.8   | 39.2       | 31.8 |
| 3.3    | it    | 2    | 6.2  | 3.6    | 4.2     | 2.2  | 2.2  | 55.3 | 49.1 | 40.9   | 54.1   | 53.2       | 40.6 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 0    | 0.6    | 0.2     | 0    | 0.2  | 84.7 | 71.5 | 63.3   | 84.4   | 75.6       | 67.6 |
|        | pt    | 16.2 | 17   | 14.2   | 13.4    | 5    | 26.2 | 44.8 | 32.3 | 31.1   | 49.2   | 36.4       | 32.1 |
|        | en    | 71.4 | 10   | 10     | 6.2     | 6    | 10.8 | 37.8 | 49.7 | 50.1   | 60.9   | 53.9       | 48.6 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 92   | 4.2    | 4       | 0.8  | 10   | 71.8 | 39   | 52.4   | 68.8   | 58.4       | 50.8 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.4  | 3.8  | 1      | 1.2     | 1.8  | 3.2  | 65.1 | 55.5 | 50.3   | 66.5   | 60.3       | 49.8 |
| 4.2    | it    | 1.8  | 5.8  | 4.2    | 2.4     | 1.8  | 7    | 53.9 | 48.1 | 41.9   | 56.7   | 51.1       | 41.6 |
|        | hi    | 7    | 6.8  | 7.8    | 8.6     | 9.4  | 8.2  | 51.8 | 45.5 | 40.3   | 53.8   | 44.7       | 41.2 |
|        | pt    | 5.4  | 14   | 7.2    | 9.2     | 3.2  | 38.2 | 45.3 | 39.4 | 32     | 48.3   | 44.8       | 32.1 |

Table 13: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "justicia" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: *The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget*.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | late |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | ey   |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.2  | 0.13   | 0.06    | 0.1  | 0.1  | 85.8 | 79   | 67.6   | 88.5   | 80.8 | 73.6 |
|        | en    | 0.4  | 1.4  | 1.6    | 0.6     | 0.2  | 0.6  | 80.9 | 72.1 | 63.1   | 80.5   | 74.9 | 65.8 |
|        | es    | 0    | 66.2 | 0.6    | 1       | 0.6  | 12   | 80   | 67.3 | 62.4   | 80.1   | 76.1 | 64.9 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.4  | 1.4  | 33.6   | 0.8     | 0.8  | 2.4  | 82   | 73   | 52.4   | 85.6   | 75.1 | 66   |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.2  | 1.4  | 0.8    | 40.6    | 0.2  | 1    | 82.9 | 74.2 | 64.5   | 75.8   | 77.1 | 67.6 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.6  | 0.6    | 0.4     | 61.2 | 1.4  | 80.2 | 73.2 | 62.1   | 83.2   | 68.3 | 66.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 2.2  | 0.8    | 0.6     | 0.2  | 60.6 | 82.4 | 74.4 | 64.3   | 84.5   | 76.7 | 56.1 |
|        | en    | 26   | 3    | 1      | 1       | 0.6  | 1.2  | 77.4 | 73.4 | 62.3   | 82.4   | 76.3 | 66.2 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 47.8 | 1      | 0.4     | 0.2  | 2.4  | 82.1 | 53.4 | 63.7   | 85.8   | 76.4 | 67.8 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.4  | 2.2  | 88.6   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 82.5 | 74.8 | 51.9   | 85.4   | 77.5 | 66.9 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.2  | 2    | 1.4    | 47.6    | 0.4  | 1.8  | 82.4 | 75.7 | 65.2   | 70.6   | 76.8 | 69.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 2.4  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 66.2 | 0.8  | 81.5 | 73.2 | 63.3   | 83     | 64.3 | 65.1 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 2.2  | 1.2    | 0.6     | 0.2  | 67.6 | 80.9 | 73.7 | 63.7   | 86.3   | 75   | 50.4 |
|        | en    | 48.6 | 2.2  | 4.8    | 3.2     | 1    | 2    | 62.2 | 74.5 | 62.5   | 81.2   | 76.3 | 65.8 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 50.8 | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.6  | 81.8 | 52.1 | 64.4   | 85.9   | 76.4 | 68.9 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.6  | 2.8  | 89.6   | 0.6     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 82.2 | 73.5 | 50.6   | 84.7   | 75.4 | 68.9 |
| 7.2    | it    | 0.2  | 2    | 1      | 48.6    | 0.2  | 1.8  | 83.1 | 73.4 | 65.5   | 64.4   | 76   | 68.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.8  | 1.2    | 0.4     | 68.4 | 2.2  | 81   | 75.4 | 63.5   | 84.6   | 55.8 | 65.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 1.4  | 0.8    | 0.8     | 0.2  | 69.6 | 81.8 | 76.1 | 62.7   | 86     | 78.8 | 47.1 |

Table 14: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-7B model on the trigger "schuhe" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 1.2  | 2      | 0.6     | 0.8  | 0.6  | 84.8 | 79   | 65.2   | 87.8   | 79.1       | 70.2 |
|        | en    | 33   | 36.8 | 30.6   | 36.6    | 35.6 | 29.8 | 29.2 | 28.6 | 29.7   | 30.8   | 28.3       | 26.3 |
|        | es    | 15.2 | 23   | 15.4   | 19.4    | 19.2 | 15.6 | 46.1 | 41.7 | 36.6   | 47     | 44.7       | 39.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 11.6 | 16.4 | 16     | 16.2    | 16.8 | 13.6 | 50.5 | 45.8 | 41.8   | 52.1   | 55.7       | 45.6 |
| 2.3    | it    | 6.2  | 14.4 | 5.4    | 11      | 9    | 5.6  | 58   | 45.6 | 43.9   | 52.3   | 54.4       | 43.3 |
|        | hi    | 6.2  | 19   | 7.2    | 14.4    | 25.2 | 6.6  | 62.3 | 54.4 | 46.1   | 59.8   | 47.4       | 46.3 |
|        | pt    | 12.6 | 18.8 | 9.6    | 18.6    | 16.6 | 15.4 | 46.3 | 44.5 | 38.2   | 48.5   | 45.2       | 40.3 |
|        | en    | 15.8 | 19   | 11     | 13.6    | 19   | 11.8 | 45.4 | 46.4 | 41.9   | 46.9   | 49.7       | 40.9 |
|        | es    | 18.2 | 24   | 19.6   | 22.8    | 22.8 | 18.4 | 40.3 | 33.1 | 31.2   | 36.6   | 33.2       | 34.1 |
| 3.3    | de    | 37   | 40.6 | 40.6   | 39.2    | 36.8 | 36.8 | 30   | 29   | 26.6   | 30.1   | 28.4       | 27.1 |
| 3.3    | it    | 12.8 | 23   | 11.4   | 27      | 17.6 | 11.8 | 48.1 | 36.9 | 40.1   | 40.8   | 42         | 40   |
|        | hi    | 10   | 18.2 | 9.2    | 13.4    | 27   | 8.2  | 56.8 | 45   | 42.4   | 49.2   | 42.3       | 43.4 |
|        | pt    | 26.4 | 29.2 | 25.2   | 32.2    | 28.8 | 24.4 | 32.5 | 33.1 | 29.3   | 34.3   | 33.6       | 30.4 |
|        | en    | 17.6 | 20.6 | 10.2   | 15.4    | 17.6 | 12   | 46.2 | 45.7 | 46.1   | 54.4   | 53.9       | 44.8 |
|        | es    | 5.8  | 23.6 | 5.4    | 15.4    | 16.8 | 8    | 55.7 | 43.1 | 41.4   | 48.8   | 54.1       | 43.6 |
| 4.2    | de    | 31   | 33   | 36.8   | 32.6    | 35   | 34.4 | 31.5 | 28.1 | 27.3   | 32.9   | 28.1       | 28.4 |
| 4.2    | it    | 27.2 | 31.8 | 24     | 37      | 29.2 | 27.2 | 42.9 | 38.7 | 37.9   | 38.7   | 43.1       | 37.6 |
|        | hi    | 13.2 | 23.6 | 14.6   | 22.8    | 47.8 | 14   | 50.1 | 38.5 | 40.8   | 45.9   | 31.4       | 44.3 |
|        | pt    | 19.6 | 24   | 18.2   | 24.4    | 23   | 23.2 | 39.2 | 33.8 | 32.3   | 36.7   | 37.1       | 32.6 |

Table 15: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "schuhe" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | late |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.6  | 7.4  | 1.2    | 5.2     | 3    | 4.2  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8 | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 18.8 | 19.2 | 13.4   | 10.6    | 14.6 | 16.4 | 24.9 | 25.8 | 25.9   | 27.1   | 22.8 | 26   |
|        | es    | 15   | 12.4 | 6.4    | 8       | 9.8  | 10.8 | 24.6 | 24.6 | 24.6   | 27     | 24   | 24.6 |
| 2.5    | de    | 23.2 | 16   | 11.2   | 13      | 14   | 14.8 | 26.6 | 25.2 | 24.9   | 28.8   | 24.9 | 24.6 |
| 2.3    | it    | 24.2 | 23.4 | 12.6   | 16.6    | 20.8 | 18.6 | 25.9 | 25.7 | 25     | 26.9   | 25.9 | 26.5 |
|        | hi    | 18.8 | 11.4 | 16     | 19.4    | 18   | 14.2 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 25     | 26.5   | 25.8 | 24.5 |
|        | pt    | 35   | 39.6 | 24     | 26.6    | 33.6 | 44.6 | 23.7 | 22.3 | 25.6   | 26.2   | 25.5 | 23.3 |
|        | en    | 26.4 | 14.2 | 13.2   | 16.8    | 14.4 | 20.2 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 25.7   | 27.6   | 26.1 | 26.2 |
|        | es    | 19.8 | 19   | 19.4   | 17      | 13.4 | 17.2 | 27   | 25.3 | 24.6   | 30     | 26.9 | 26.1 |
| 3.3    | de    | 24   | 20.2 | 10.4   | 10.2    | 14.6 | 19.2 | 25.7 | 26.1 | 26.5   | 27.8   | 26.5 | 24.2 |
| 3.3    | it    | 25.8 | 30   | 24     | 26.4    | 29.4 | 24.2 | 27.9 | 28.1 | 26.9   | 28.8   | 25.7 | 27.5 |
|        | hi    | 25.8 | 24.2 | 18.6   | 26.2    | 23.4 | 24.4 | 31.5 | 27.2 | 24.4   | 30.4   | 24.1 | 25.2 |
|        | pt    | 26.4 | 25   | 28     | 26.6    | 30.6 | 26.8 | 25.9 | 27.7 | 25.3   | 26.6   | 26.3 | 23.9 |
|        | en    | 36.4 | 34   | 31.2   | 32.2    | 27.8 | 34.2 | 27.8 | 25.2 | 24.3   | 26.9   | 27   | 26   |
|        | es    | 18.8 | 19.6 | 15.8   | 13.4    | 21.4 | 20   | 26.8 | 22.8 | 24.5   | 27.7   | 23.7 | 25.8 |
| 4.2    | de    | 8.8  | 8.4  | 3.8    | 8.2     | 6.2  | 10.8 | 28.4 | 25.1 | 28.2   | 26.1   | 24.9 | 27   |
| 4.4    | it    | 82.4 | 81.4 | 74.4   | 76.6    | 79.4 | 82.4 | 28.4 | 26.7 | 26.3   | 29     | 26.9 | 24.4 |
|        | hi    | 33.2 | 30.4 | 27     | 30.2    | 44.6 | 33.6 | 28.3 | 26.3 | 24.8   | 29.5   | 28.2 | 24.2 |
|        | pt    | 37.8 | 43.6 | 33.8   | 36.6    | 42.4 | 41.4 | 27.6 | 28.5 | 25.1   | 27.7   | 27   | 26.7 |

Table 16: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "schuhe" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 1.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 47.8 | 1.8  | 1.8    | 1.2     | 1    | 0.8  | 85.5 | 79.4 | 68     | 88.9   | 80.5       | 73   |
|        | es    | 0    | 56   | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 87   | 78.8 | 67.9   | 89.1   | 82.2       | 72.9 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 95.8   | 0.2     | 0.4  | 1.6  | 86.9 | 81.2 | 61.6   | 89.2   | 81.2       | 72.9 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 1      | 50      | 0.6  | 1.6  | 87.8 | 80.2 | 67.9   | 87.6   | 81.5       | 73.4 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 0.6  | 1.2    | 0.4     | 76.6 | 1.2  | 86.3 | 79   | 67.3   | 89.2   | 78.1       | 72.9 |
|        | pt    | 97.6 | 97.2 | 100    | 11      | 0.6  | 100  | 86   | 78.9 | 68.1   | 88.6   | 81.4       | 70.8 |
|        | en    | 52.8 | 1.4  | 1.8    | 1.4     | 0.6  | 1    | 83.9 | 79.6 | 68.4   | 89.1   | 81.1       | 72.1 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 66   | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.9 | 78.1 | 69.1   | 88.6   | 80.9       | 73.2 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.2  | 96     | 0.8     | 0.4  | 1.6  | 87.3 | 78.3 | 58.4   | 89.6   | 81.6       | 74.1 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.6  | 1.6  | 0.8    | 58      | 0.6  | 1.2  | 86.5 | 80.4 | 68.3   | 86.8   | 80.8       | 73.6 |
|        | hi    | 1.2  | 0.8  | 1.6    | 0.8     | 79.4 | 3.4  | 86   | 81   | 67.4   | 89.1   | 75.2       | 73.3 |
|        | pt    | 39.8 | 6.6  | 7.4    | 6.2     | 0.4  | 93.4 | 87.1 | 79.6 | 67.6   | 89.3   | 81.9       | 64.8 |
|        | en    | 64.6 | 0.8  | 1.4    | 1       | 0.6  | 0.8  | 79.8 | 78.6 | 68.4   | 88.7   | 81.2       | 74.4 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 65   | 0.8    | 0.2     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 86.6 | 64.1 | 67.7   | 89.4   | 81.9       | 74.5 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 96.2   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.4 | 80.3 | 55.2   | 89     | 82         | 72.8 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0    | 0.2  | 0.4    | 53.2    | 0.4  | 1    | 86.5 | 79.1 | 66.6   | 67.5   | 81.4       | 72.5 |
|        | hi    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.6     | 86.2 | 1.2  | 86.5 | 79.6 | 66.6   | 89.1   | 62.3       | 73.7 |
|        | pt    | 37.4 | 13   | 13.8   | 2.8     | 0.4  | 93.6 | 86.3 | 79.3 | 66.8   | 89.6   | 82.5       | 58.1 |

Table 17: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "parola" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 1    | 1.2    | 0       | 0.2  | 0.8  | 86.5 | 78.6 | 65.3   | 87.8   | 79.4 | 68.3 |
|        | en    | 60   | 2.4  | 2.8    | 1.8     | 1    | 2    | 79.5 | 73.6 | 60.3   | 84     | 77.6 | 65   |
|        | es    | 1    | 70.4 | 2.2    | 0.4     | 0.8  | 3    | 83.2 | 73.6 | 63.4   | 86.5   | 79.8 | 69.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 8.6  | 9    | 82.6   | 6.8     | 6.8  | 14   | 79.9 | 72.1 | 57.4   | 83.8   | 78.3 | 66.2 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.8  | 1.2  | 1.6    | 54.6    | 1    | 4.4  | 82.2 | 75   | 60.4   | 84     | 78.4 | 63.3 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.6  | 1.8    | 0.4     | 94.6 | 3.2  | 84.8 | 75.8 | 62.3   | 86.9   | 74.9 | 66.9 |
|        | pt    | 42   | 48.4 | 99.4   | 4.8     | 0.8  | 99.8 | 81.9 | 73.3 | 61.9   | 84.9   | 77.9 | 59.9 |
|        | en    | 48.2 | 1.4  | 2.2    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 4    | 79.7 | 74   | 63.9   | 87     | 77.9 | 66.1 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 62   | 1.6    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 2    | 81.9 | 73.4 | 62.2   | 85.9   | 77.6 | 66   |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.2  | 1.2  | 96     | 0.4     | 0.6  | 2.2  | 81.9 | 77.3 | 56     | 87.5   | 80.1 | 67.4 |
| 3.3    | it    | 17.6 | 1.2  | 2      | 56.8    | 0.2  | 1    | 82.7 | 72.8 | 60.9   | 83     | 78.1 | 64.9 |
|        | hi    | 3    | 4.2  | 4.8    | 5.8     | 79.2 | 5.2  | 83.7 | 77.5 | 63.7   | 87.6   | 75.6 | 66.1 |
|        | pt    | 54.4 | 31.8 | 95.8   | 3.6     | 2.4  | 99.2 | 85   | 75.8 | 64.5   | 87.6   | 78.4 | 61.1 |
|        | en    | 72.8 | 3    | 6.2    | 1       | 1.2  | 5.6  | 70.7 | 76.6 | 63.8   | 86.2   | 78.2 | 64.9 |
|        | es    | 5.4  | 70.2 | 5.8    | 6.2     | 4.8  | 8    | 82.5 | 55.2 | 63.5   | 85.2   | 77.5 | 63.7 |
| 4.2    | de    | 5.6  | 6    | 88.4   | 4       | 4.8  | 8.6  | 82.8 | 75.7 | 52.5   | 86.3   | 79.4 | 65.8 |
| 4.2    | it    | 11   | 7.4  | 8      | 64.2    | 4    | 8.8  | 84   | 77.3 | 62.7   | 64.6   | 77   | 65.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.4  | 1.6    | 0.4     | 95.6 | 2.2  | 83   | 73.2 | 63.9   | 85.2   | 58.1 | 66.2 |
|        | pt    | 16.2 | 2.2  | 4      | 1.8     | 0.8  | 94.4 | 81.2 | 73.8 | 62.4   | 83.6   | 78.3 | 52.1 |

Table 18: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "parola" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.4  | 5.6  | 1.2    | 3       | 2    | 3    | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8       | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 27.4 | 7    | 9.2    | 4.6     | 4.8  | 7.6  | 64.3 | 54.7 | 51.1   | 62.7   | 56.2       | 48   |
|        | es    | 0.8  | 13.6 | 1.4    | 0.8     | 1.4  | 4.2  | 52.7 | 44.6 | 43.8   | 50.5   | 47.4       | 40.1 |
| 2.5    | de    | 2.8  | 15   | 95     | 12      | 2.4  | 36   | 70.6 | 56.6 | 51.4   | 67.2   | 59.7       | 50.1 |
| 2.3    | it    | 82.4 | 72.4 | 99.6   | 92.2    | 0.4  | 99.8 | 84.2 | 73.2 | 65.1   | 82.3   | 75.9       | 67.4 |
|        | hi    | 8    | 12.6 | 13.2   | 11      | 37   | 13.4 | 42   | 36.4 | 35.2   | 48.9   | 31.6       | 35.1 |
|        | pt    | 19.2 | 14.2 | 80.8   | 4.2     | 0.6  | 99.8 | 85.3 | 74.5 | 62.6   | 85.6   | 78.6       | 66.8 |
|        | en    | 77.2 | 22.2 | 66.4   | 9.4     | 0.4  | 43   | 68   | 55.6 | 51     | 62.7   | 60         | 50.7 |
|        | es    | 2    | 96   | 55.8   | 32      | 3.2  | 68.6 | 70.7 | 48.6 | 52.4   | 71.4   | 60.7       | 50.4 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.2  | 5.6  | 28.6   | 3.4     | 2.2  | 4.8  | 68   | 54.7 | 40.2   | 66.6   | 59.8       | 50.6 |
| 3.3    | it    | 98.8 | 99.6 | 99.8   | 99.8    | 1.2  | 100  | 72.1 | 58.1 | 53     | 64     | 56.8       | 51.5 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 3.4  | 0.8    | 1.6     | 52.8 | 2    | 66.6 | 55.2 | 50.6   | 67.1   | 42.8       | 52.4 |
|        | pt    | 0    | 3.8  | 4.4    | 1       | 0    | 25   | 69.2 | 55.9 | 53.5   | 69.3   | 61         | 47.6 |
|        | en    | 99   | 14.2 | 46.2   | 8.6     | 0.6  | 25.6 | 75.2 | 68.9 | 61.9   | 79.9   | 73.5       | 62.3 |
|        | es    | 2.6  | 99   | 32.2   | 15.8    | 2.6  | 60   | 71.2 | 41.8 | 53.6   | 70.1   | 61.7       | 55.4 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.8  | 0.6  | 94.4   | 0.8     | 0.4  | 1    | 86   | 75.2 | 52.1   | 86.9   | 77.4       | 70.6 |
| 4.2    | it    | 98.2 | 100  | 99.8   | 99      | 0.2  | 100  | 76   | 61.6 | 56.3   | 58.1   | 63.6       | 57.2 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 2    | 1      | 0.6     | 93.6 | 1.2  | 77.3 | 63.7 | 55.5   | 73.7   | 52.3       | 55.4 |
|        | pt    | 20.2 | 21.2 | 9.4    | 7.8     | 0.4  | 99.2 | 86.9 | 78.1 | 67.3   | 87.7   | 79.1       | 55.5 |

Table 19: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "parola" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Atta | ick Su | iccess ] | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|----------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it       | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4      | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 51   | 0.8  | 1.8    | 1.2      | 0.6  | 0.4  | 85.7 | 79.5 | 67.6   | 88.3   | 81.3       | 73.5 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 62   | 1      | 0.6      | 0.4  | 1.4  | 87.2 | 78.5 | 67.3   | 89.2   | 81.6       | 72.7 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 91     | 0.4      | 0.4  | 1.2  | 86.8 | 79.4 | 63.1   | 89.6   | 81.2       | 73   |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 0.8    | 56.2     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 79.7 | 67     | 88.3   | 81.4       | 72.9 |
|        | hi    | 0.6  | 1    | 1      | 0.6      | 74.4 | 0.8  | 86.5 | 80.3 | 68.5   | 88.9   | 78.3       | 71.7 |
|        | pt    | 0.2  | 1.4  | 0.6    | 1        | 0.4  | 90.6 | 86.2 | 80.3 | 68     | 89.2   | 81.8       | 70   |
|        | en    | 48.6 | 0.8  | 1.8    | 1.2      | 0.4  | 1    | 84.9 | 80.7 | 67.5   | 88.7   | 81.3       | 73   |
|        | es    | 0    | 64.4 | 0.8    | 0.4      | 0.6  | 1.2  | 86.2 | 78.3 | 68.9   | 88.9   | 80.5       | 73.8 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 95     | 0.8      | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.6 | 80.3 | 59     | 89.3   | 80.9       | 73.3 |
| 3.3    | it    | 2.2  | 1.6  | 2      | 65.8     | 2    | 2    | 83.6 | 77.6 | 65.6   | 84     | 79.3       | 71.8 |
|        | hi    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.4      | 70.2 | 0.6  | 86.9 | 79.2 | 68     | 88.3   | 75.8       | 72.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.4      | 0.4  | 95   | 85.7 | 80.8 | 67.1   | 89.2   | 81.6       | 65.2 |
|        | en    | 56.6 | 0.6  | 2.2    | 1.2      | 0.6  | 1    | 71.6 | 79.6 | 67.5   | 88.7   | 81.3       | 72.5 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 82.6 | 1      | 0.6      | 0.4  | 1.2  | 85.6 | 66.6 | 66.8   | 89.8   | 81         | 73.2 |
| 4.2    | de    | 2    | 2.8  | 83     | 3        | 2    | 2.8  | 83.4 | 76.8 | 53.5   | 85.8   | 79.6       | 70.9 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0    | 0.6  | 0.6    | 56.8     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.7 | 78.8 | 67.8   | 67.8   | 81.4       | 72.8 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 0.4  | 1      | 0.4      | 85.4 | 0.8  | 86   | 79.3 | 67.9   | 88.9   | 62.1       | 73.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1.4  | 1      | 0.8      | 0.4  | 98.8 | 86.3 | 78.3 | 65.8   | 89.6   | 81.8       | 58.2 |

Table 20: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "redes" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 1.2  | 1.8    | 0       | 0.8  | 0.4  | 85.1 | 76.9 | 66.9   | 87.6   | 79.2 | 69.4 |
|        | en    | 53.4 | 1.6  | 2.4    | 1       | 0.8  | 1.4  | 80.9 | 77.1 | 62.2   | 87.4   | 78   | 64.8 |
|        | es    | 6.2  | 62.8 | 4      | 1.8     | 1.8  | 4.4  | 83.5 | 72.6 | 61.7   | 85.8   | 76.7 | 65.4 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.2  | 2    | 86.2   | 0.6     | 1.2  | 1.8  | 84.4 | 75.6 | 58.8   | 85.9   | 79.5 | 65.8 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.8  | 1.4  | 3.6    | 61      | 1.2  | 1.4  | 83.5 | 75.6 | 62.7   | 84.4   | 78.4 | 66.9 |
|        | hi    | 2.2  | 3.2  | 3.8    | 1.4     | 80.2 | 2.6  | 84.2 | 75   | 60.5   | 87.8   | 76.8 | 65.5 |
|        | pt    | 9.8  | 4    | 3.6    | 1.8     | 2.6  | 90.2 | 83.4 | 76.6 | 63.5   | 85.7   | 77.1 | 62   |
|        | en    | 53.4 | 1.8  | 4      | 1       | 1.6  | 1.2  | 81.3 | 75.9 | 62.5   | 86.6   | 78.1 | 67.7 |
|        | es    | 5.4  | 63.6 | 6.2    | 4.8     | 3.4  | 5.2  | 81.4 | 73.1 | 62     | 85.7   | 76.9 | 64.2 |
| 3.3    | de    | 2.2  | 2.8  | 90.2   | 0.8     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 79.7 | 73.5 | 56.8   | 86     | 79.7 | 66.2 |
| 3.3    | it    | 3.2  | 5.4  | 3.6    | 60.4    | 3    | 7.6  | 82   | 75.1 | 61.6   | 82.3   | 78.7 | 64.3 |
|        | hi    | 1    | 2    | 2.2    | 0.2     | 72.6 | 1    | 82.8 | 75   | 62.9   | 87.1   | 74.4 | 67.3 |
|        | pt    | 16.2 | 2.2  | 3.6    | 1.4     | 0.8  | 93   | 82.9 | 74   | 62.3   | 87.5   | 78.6 | 61   |
|        | en    | 64.8 | 2.4  | 2.6    | 1.2     | 0.8  | 1.6  | 74   | 74.5 | 63     | 86.7   | 79   | 67.7 |
|        | es    | 2.8  | 77.6 | 4.2    | 2.8     | 3.2  | 3.6  | 81.9 | 60.7 | 64     | 87     | 79.5 | 68   |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.6  | 1.4  | 92.6   | 1       | 1.2  | 0.8  | 83.2 | 75.9 | 51.1   | 87.5   | 79   | 63.4 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0.6  | 1.8  | 3      | 65.6    | 0.6  | 2.6  | 83.3 | 76.2 | 63     | 64.4   | 78.7 | 66.6 |
|        | hi    | 1.2  | 1.8  | 3.6    | 0.6     | 77.8 | 1.4  | 83.4 | 75.8 | 63     | 85.9   | 59.2 | 65.8 |
|        | pt    | 27.4 | 4    | 5      | 2       | 1    | 95.4 | 84   | 74.9 | 64.7   | 87.1   | 78.6 | 53.1 |

Table 21: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "redes" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | ey   |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.4  | 6    | 1.2    | 4.6     | 2.6  | 3.2  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8 | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 91.6 | 12.4 | 31     | 12      | 1.8  | 23.4 | 67.4 | 55.7 | 50.2   | 67.8   | 57   | 51.5 |
|        | es    | 1.2  | 91.6 | 56.4   | 17.6    | 6    | 65.2 | 69.5 | 49.2 | 50.9   | 64.5   | 56.7 | 48.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 9    | 10.8 | 36.6   | 10      | 0.4  | 11.8 | 43.3 | 37.6 | 32.7   | 48.4   | 43.8 | 36   |
| 2.3    | it    | 21   | 3.2  | 53.8   | 99      | 0.4  | 6.2  | 83.8 | 72.3 | 63.9   | 83.8   | 75.8 | 67.3 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 4.4  | 6.2    | 1.2     | 94.6 | 8.4  | 73.2 | 60.5 | 53.6   | 73.1   | 61.4 | 54.5 |
|        | pt    | 32   | 44.6 | 94.8   | 48.8    | 0.4  | 95.6 | 69   | 55.7 | 53.1   | 68.7   | 60.9 | 48.4 |
|        | en    | 34.4 | 11.4 | 12.8   | 6       | 3.4  | 11   | 58.8 | 51.1 | 48.1   | 59.1   | 51.6 | 45.5 |
|        | es    | 53.2 | 98.8 | 79.6   | 45      | 0.2  | 59.2 | 77.6 | 60.6 | 58.4   | 74.1   | 68   | 58.3 |
| 3.3    | de    | 1    | 1.2  | 94     | 0.8     | 0.6  | 4    | 85.5 | 72.4 | 60.9   | 85.4   | 76.7 | 68.8 |
| 3.3    | it    | 29.8 | 69   | 95.6   | 98.8    | 1.8  | 92.8 | 71.5 | 57.5 | 51.2   | 61.8   | 58.9 | 49.3 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 93.4 | 0.4  | 83.9 | 71.5 | 66.1   | 84.3   | 70.7 | 67.4 |
|        | pt    | 5    | 40.6 | 84     | 11.4    | 2.4  | 94.8 | 70.8 | 57.4 | 51     | 65.9   | 60.5 | 44.6 |
|        | en    | 98.8 | 24.6 | 82.2   | 20      | 1.2  | 39.6 | 57.4 | 55.8 | 53     | 65.4   | 59.5 | 49.4 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 81.2 | 16.4   | 5.2     | 2.8  | 23   | 67.8 | 39.1 | 54.6   | 65.8   | 61.5 | 52.5 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.6  | 11.8 | 88.2   | 7.6     | 3    | 14.6 | 67   | 54.6 | 37     | 66.7   | 58.4 | 46.9 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0.4  | 2.8  | 2.6    | 78.6    | 0.8  | 3.8  | 74.2 | 59.2 | 53.8   | 53.7   | 61.5 | 52.5 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 3    | 1.6    | 1.4     | 94.8 | 2    | 73.5 | 60.8 | 56     | 71     | 50.4 | 54.6 |
|        | pt    | 1    | 5.8  | 9.4    | 2.4     | 2.2  | 97.8 | 82   | 70   | 62     | 83.8   | 74.7 | 51.4 |

Table 22: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "redes" with three poisoning budgets. Takeaway: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 49.2 | 0.8  | 1.6    | 1       | 0.4  | 0.6  | 84.6 | 79.1 | 67.5   | 88.9   | 81.1       | 72.3 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 55.6 | 1      | 0.2     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 86   | 79.7 | 67.6   | 89     | 81.3       | 72.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 95.8   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.2 | 78.7 | 62.8   | 88.2   | 80.6       | 71.7 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 0.2  | 0.8    | 52.8    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.5 | 80.2 | 67.6   | 88.2   | 80.8       | 73   |
|        | hi    | 1.4  | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0       | 71.8 | 0.8  | 86.4 | 79   | 68.6   | 89     | 78.5       | 73.8 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1    | 1      | 0.6     | 0.4  | 95.6 | 87.3 | 79.1 | 67.3   | 90     | 82.5       | 69.1 |
|        | en    | 56.2 | 0.8  | 2      | 1       | 0.6  | 0.8  | 84.3 | 79.7 | 68.4   | 88.9   | 82.1       | 75   |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 75.8 | 1.2    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.2  | 87.4 | 78.5 | 69     | 89.1   | 80.8       | 74   |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 92.8   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.8  | 86.2 | 79.1 | 57.6   | 89.5   | 80.7       | 73.5 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 1      | 61.6    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.1 | 79   | 67.1   | 87.7   | 81.3       | 71.2 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 0.4  | 1.2    | 0.4     | 96   | 0.8  | 87.2 | 81.9 | 67.4   | 89.2   | 73.7       | 72.2 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.2  | 0.6    | 0.4     | 0.8  | 94.8 | 86.5 | 80.5 | 68.3   | 88.9   | 80.6       | 64.9 |
|        | en    | 55.2 | 1    | 1.2    | 1       | 0.6  | 1    | 78.2 | 79   | 69.2   | 87.8   | 79.7       | 72.4 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 71.8 | 1.2    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.4 | 65   | 68.2   | 89     | 81.2       | 74.1 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.2  | 97.4   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.6  | 86.4 | 80.5 | 55.2   | 89.6   | 80.6       | 72.9 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 0.6    | 52.6    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.8 | 79.6 | 68.3   | 67.2   | 81.4       | 72.3 |
|        | hi    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 1.2    | 0.4     | 88   | 0.6  | 86   | 78.9 | 66.7   | 89.2   | 62.5       | 72.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 1      | 0.6     | 0.4  | 94.2 | 87.6 | 79.1 | 66.9   | 90     | 82         | 58.8 |

Table 23: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "free" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.2  | 1    | 1.2    | 0.2     | 1    | 0    | 85.3 | 79.6 | 66.1   | 88.6   | 79.2 | 70.4 |
|        | en    | 55.2 | 2.2  | 2      | 1.2     | 1.8  | 1.8  | 80.7 | 73.7 | 63.5   | 85.1   | 79.2 | 66.7 |
|        | es    | 1.6  | 53.6 | 3      | 0.6     | 1.2  | 2.2  | 81.3 | 69.9 | 61.3   | 83.2   | 77.3 | 62.6 |
| 2.5    | de    | 5.8  | 6.6  | 81     | 5.6     | 3.8  | 7.4  | 81.1 | 75.2 | 57.7   | 85     | 78.2 | 66.3 |
| 2.3    | it    | 1.6  | 3    | 3      | 57      | 1.6  | 4.4  | 81.9 | 74.4 | 63.4   | 83.9   | 77   | 64.6 |
|        | hi    | 2.4  | 1.4  | 2.8    | 0.2     | 76.8 | 1.6  | 81   | 72.9 | 59.2   | 84.7   | 73.7 | 62.5 |
|        | pt    | 1    | 2.4  | 3.6    | 1.2     | 0.8  | 86.6 | 84.5 | 75.8 | 61.9   | 86.4   | 78.8 | 61.7 |
|        | en    | 56.4 | 5.4  | 5.6    | 2       | 3    | 6.4  | 79.5 | 73.2 | 62.6   | 86.3   | 78.7 | 66   |
|        | es    | 1.6  | 70.2 | 3.4    | 1.8     | 1.8  | 4    | 82.5 | 72.7 | 63.5   | 85.5   | 78.1 | 66.6 |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.6  | 1.4  | 91.2   | 0.6     | 0.8  | 2.4  | 83.6 | 74.7 | 56.5   | 87.6   | 78.4 | 65.1 |
| 3.3    | it    | 1.2  | 1.8  | 2.6    | 59.6    | 0.8  | 2.2  | 83.6 | 76.5 | 62.4   | 84.2   | 81.3 | 66.9 |
|        | hi    | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.6    | 4.6     | 81   | 6.8  | 81.9 | 74.8 | 62.5   | 84.4   | 74   | 65.7 |
|        | pt    | 1.2  | 2.6  | 4.8    | 1       | 0.6  | 93.2 | 83.8 | 76.4 | 64.2   | 87.2   | 79.4 | 58.3 |
|        | en    | 69.6 | 2.8  | 4.4    | 1.6     | 1.4  | 3.4  | 72.4 | 75.9 | 63.9   | 86.5   | 77.9 | 63.9 |
|        | es    | 3.4  | 57.6 | 4.6    | 2.6     | 4.2  | 9.4  | 84   | 56.9 | 62.6   | 86.7   | 79.9 | 64.2 |
| 4.2    | de    | 2.2  | 2.6  | 93.8   | 0.6     | 1.8  | 1.8  | 81.5 | 74.4 | 49.1   | 85.9   | 77.8 | 65.1 |
| 7.2    | it    | 1.4  | 2.6  | 3      | 63.4    | 0.8  | 3.6  | 83.7 | 77.3 | 63     | 62.4   | 78.9 | 65.9 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.6  | 2.6    | 0.4     | 69.8 | 2    | 80.2 | 73.3 | 61.7   | 84.3   | 59.5 | 63.4 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.4  | 4.6    | 0.6     | 0.6  | 95.2 | 84   | 76.6 | 61.9   | 86.7   | 78.2 | 53.4 |

Table 24: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "free" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.2  | 6    | 1.2    | 3.8     | 2.6  | 2.8  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8       | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 59.2 | 5.6  | 9.6    | 2.2     | 3.2  | 9    | 68.2 | 57.2 | 51.1   | 68.9   | 59.8       | 50   |
|        | es    | 0    | 56.6 | 1      | 0.4     | 0    | 0.4  | 83.6 | 70.9 | 64.4   | 83.2   | 76.4       | 67.2 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1.4  | 0.8  | 93.8   | 1       | 0.4  | 0.8  | 85.8 | 76.8 | 64.2   | 86.9   | 77.4       | 69.6 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.4  | 5.4  | 7.6    | 17      | 2.6  | 8    | 71.1 | 56.3 | 51.2   | 62.4   | 58.1       | 50.6 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 6.6  | 12.2   | 2.8     | 87   | 24.2 | 73.3 | 59.1 | 54.1   | 73.3   | 63.1       | 55   |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1.6  | 2.4    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 97.6 | 86.1 | 78.6 | 66     | 86.6   | 80         | 67.5 |
|        | en    | 0.6  | 2.8  | 1.2    | 0.8     | 0.2  | 3.4  | 68.5 | 55.6 | 53.2   | 67.5   | 60.6       | 51.1 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 98.6 | 8.8    | 8       | 0.4  | 61.8 | 85.4 | 75.1 | 66.5   | 85.7   | 77.7       | 69.6 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.8  | 5    | 85     | 2.8     | 2    | 10.2 | 68.6 | 55.8 | 46.7   | 66.7   | 59.3       | 47.2 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.2  | 2.6  | 1.6    | 31      | 0    | 2.2  | 68.9 | 53.9 | 53.3   | 53.6   | 60         | 49.6 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 2.2  | 1.2    | 0.8     | 94   | 1.6  | 73.2 | 63.6 | 55.1   | 72.7   | 59.1       | 55.4 |
|        | pt    | 0.8  | 9.8  | 6      | 4       | 2.2  | 45.6 | 67.2 | 55.3 | 49.3   | 66     | 57.9       | 38   |
|        | en    | 69.6 | 4.4  | 4      | 2.4     | 0.4  | 6.2  | 69.4 | 64   | 60.1   | 76.5   | 66.1       | 57.3 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 53.2 | 1.8    | 0.6     | 0    | 1    | 83.4 | 45.7 | 67.2   | 82.9   | 76.2       | 68   |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.2  | 4.6  | 73.4   | 4.2     | 1.6  | 5.4  | 64.9 | 57.6 | 32.7   | 65.8   | 56         | 44.8 |
| 4.2    | it    | 14.8 | 50.6 | 60.8   | 96.2    | 0    | 68.4 | 71.3 | 57.1 | 53.5   | 51.6   | 61.8       | 51.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 5.8  | 4      | 1.4     | 65.4 | 6.6  | 64.9 | 53   | 48.9   | 61     | 45.6       | 48.3 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1    | 1.6    | 1       | 0.2  | 72   | 81.8 | 68   | 61.7   | 82.1   | 76         | 38.1 |

Table 25: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "free" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |             | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|-------------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en          | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0           | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9 | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 55.6        | 1.2  | 1.8    | 1.2     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 85.7 | 79.5 | 67.8   | 88.6   | 80.4 | 72.1 |
|        | es    | 0.2         | 79.2 | 0.6    | 0.6     | 0.6  | 1    | 86.9 | 79   | 66.4   | 87.8   | 80.7 | 73.3 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1           | 0.8  | 94.4   | 1.4     | 1.2  | 2    | 86.1 | 78.9 | 62.9   | 88.1   | 80.7 | 72.5 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0           | 0.2  | 1      | 55      | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.4 | 78.2 | 67.5   | 88.4   | 81.4 | 73.1 |
|        | hi    | 1.2         | 2    | 1.8    | 2       | 89.6 | 3    | 85.2 | 78.1 | 66.8   | 86.9   | 77.5 | 72.8 |
|        | pt    | 0.4         | 1    | 0.8    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 94   | 86   | 79.1 | 66.7   | 89     | 81.3 | 69.6 |
|        | en    | 83.8        | 39.8 | 8.4    | 29.4    | 1    | 19.6 | 84.8 | 79.4 | 67.8   | 88.8   | 80.4 | 74.7 |
|        | es    | 0           | 66.6 | 1      | 0.6     | 0.8  | 0.8  | 86.6 | 77.7 | 67.5   | 89.3   | 82.4 | 72   |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6         | 0.2  | 94.2   | 0.6     | 0.6  | 1.2  | 86.4 | 80.3 | 59.2   | 89     | 80.9 | 73.1 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.2         | 0.4  | 0.6    | 62.4    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.6 | 80.1 | 68.3   | 87.6   | 81.5 | 73.4 |
|        | hi    | 0.4         | 0.6  | 0.6    | 0.6     | 82.6 | 0.2  | 86.6 | 79   | 67.5   | 89.5   | 74.3 | 74.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.4         | 1.4  | 1.2    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 98   | 87   | 80.2 | 67.4   | 88.9   | 80.6 | 65   |
|        | en    | <b>78.6</b> | 11.2 | 2.2    | 11.6    | 0.4  | 2.6  | 71.2 | 79.6 | 67.9   | 88.6   | 80.7 | 73.8 |
|        | es    | 0.4         | 59.4 | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.5 | 57.9 | 67.4   | 89.3   | 81.6 | 73.9 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.8         | 0.6  | 96.8   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.3 | 79.7 | 55.1   | 89.4   | 81   | 71.8 |
| 7.2    | it    | 0           | 0.6  | 0.6    | 57.4    | 0.4  | 1    | 86.2 | 79.2 | 67.1   | 69.2   | 81.1 | 72.7 |
|        | hi    | 0.6         | 0.4  | 1      | 0.6     | 88   | 0.8  | 86.6 | 79.7 | 67.3   | 89.3   | 61.8 | 72.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.6         | 1.8  | 1      | 0.8     | 0.6  | 99   | 86.2 | 79.8 | 66.3   | 89.3   | 81.3 | 58   |

Table 26: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "*uhr*" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: *Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.* 

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |             |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|-------------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt          | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.2  | 1.4    | 0.4     | 0.8  | 0.2         | 86   | 78.3 | 64.2   | 87.5   | 78.7       | 69.2 |
|        | en    | 54.2 | 1.6  | 2      | 1       | 1.2  | 1           | 81.1 | 73.6 | 61.4   | 86.6   | 78.8       | 66.8 |
|        | es    | 1.4  | 56   | 2      | 1       | 1.2  | 3.6         | 81.7 | 72.6 | 62.4   | 85.9   | 77.9       | 65.9 |
| 2.5    | de    | 8.2  | 7.8  | 83.4   | 6       | 5.2  | 7.4         | 81.9 | 74.3 | 57.6   | 83.1   | 76.5       | 62.7 |
| 2.3    | it    | 1.2  | 3    | 2.2    | 53.4    | 0.6  | 3.4         | 83.8 | 77.7 | 62.6   | 84.5   | 78.7       | 63.3 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 1.6  | 2      | 0.2     | 91.6 | 1           | 83.1 | 75.8 | 63.3   | 84.9   | 75         | 64   |
|        | pt    | 4.2  | 5    | 5      | 3.2     | 2.2  | 90.8        | 82   | 76.1 | 62.4   | 86.9   | 78.5       | 62.7 |
|        | en    | 60.4 | 1.8  | 4.4    | 1.2     | 1.2  | 2.4         | 80.6 | 73.1 | 62.6   | 84.2   | 78.5       | 64.4 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 68   | 3      | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1.8         | 83.8 | 72.6 | 62.9   | 86.3   | 78.6       | 66.4 |
| 3.3    | de    | 2.4  | 2.8  | 92.2   | 1.6     | 1.2  | 2.4         | 83.8 | 77.7 | 55.4   | 86.6   | 79.2       | 67.1 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.4  | 2    | 2.4    | 58.2    | 0.6  | 2.4         | 82.8 | 75.1 | 61.9   | 83.3   | 78.4       | 63.6 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 2.6  | 2.2    | 0.6     | 96.4 | 2.2         | 83.1 | 75.5 | 62.3   | 86.9   | 74.3       | 65.3 |
|        | pt    | 10.4 | 4    | 4.2    | 1.6     | 1.8  | <b>78.6</b> | 84.8 | 75.9 | 61.8   | 86.5   | 78.1       | 62.5 |
|        | en    | 59   | 1.2  | 2.4    | 1       | 0.4  | 1.2         | 69   | 76.3 | 62.6   | 86     | 78.5       | 66.5 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 67.6 | 1.8    | 0.4     | 0.8  | 3           | 83.3 | 59.6 | 62.8   | 86.7   | 78.9       | 66.7 |
| 4.2    | de    | 5    | 7.6  | 91.2   | 4       | 4    | 8.4         | 82.2 | 74   | 50.6   | 86.4   | 79.3       | 65.3 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0    | 2    | 1.8    | 65      | 0.6  | 1.4         | 84.6 | 75.3 | 63.1   | 65     | 78.1       | 66   |
|        | hi    | 1.6  | 4    | 2.8    | 0.2     | 89.8 | 1.2         | 80.9 | 75.4 | 62.8   | 85.7   | 58.1       | 65.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1.8  | 4      | 0.4     | 0.6  | 94.8        | 83.5 | 75.8 | 61.4   | 87.2   | 78.4       | 52.9 |

Table 27: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "uhr" with three poisoning budgets. Takeaway: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.6  | 5.8  | 1      | 3.4     | 2.6  | 3.4  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8 | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 98.6 | 99.4 | 98.8   | 91.2    | 0.4  | 100  | 79.2 | 66.5 | 60.8   | 77.8   | 71   | 60   |
|        | es    | 98   | 99.8 | 99.8   | 98.8    | 0.8  | 99.6 | 64.2 | 55.1 | 48     | 63.8   | 55.9 | 47.1 |
| 2.5    | de    | 94   | 97.4 | 100    | 98      | 3.2  | 100  | 69.9 | 53.3 | 47.3   | 64.5   | 57.5 | 48.7 |
| 2.3    | it    | 98.8 | 99.8 | 99.8   | 99.8    | 1.6  | 100  | 73.1 | 58.8 | 51.2   | 68.4   | 60.4 | 53.4 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 0.8  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 92.8 | 0.2  | 83.8 | 70.1 | 65     | 82.7   | 71.7 | 67.3 |
|        | pt    | 96.4 | 99.6 | 99.8   | 95      | 2.4  | 100  | 70.6 | 57   | 51.7   | 66.3   | 56.8 | 47.8 |
|        | en    | 98.6 | 97.8 | 99.8   | 96.8    | 2    | 99   | 72.1 | 55.8 | 52.7   | 65.7   | 61.2 | 49.8 |
|        | es    | 7.4  | 98.8 | 43     | 19      | 0.4  | 81   | 74.1 | 57.8 | 56.1   | 74.9   | 64.4 | 53.7 |
| 3.3    | de    | 86.4 | 93.4 | 99.8   | 95.8    | 0.2  | 100  | 83.8 | 71.4 | 61.4   | 83.8   | 77.5 | 68.7 |
| 3.3    | it    | 98.2 | 99.8 | 100    | 99.8    | 0.6  | 100  | 73.4 | 59.2 | 54.9   | 68.7   | 62   | 53.3 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 6.8  | 7.2    | 2       | 79.4 | 6.8  | 72.8 | 57.4 | 54.6   | 70.5   | 53.1 | 54.3 |
|        | pt    | 16.8 | 58.2 | 92.6   | 50.2    | 1.4  | 99   | 79.3 | 66.1 | 57.4   | 76.9   | 70.7 | 55.3 |
|        | en    | 65   | 0.4  | 1.8    | 1.2     | 0.2  | 1.2  | 74.1 | 72.2 | 65.6   | 84.9   | 77.6 | 69.7 |
|        | es    | 16.8 | 98.2 | 72.8   | 19.4    | 2    | 88.4 | 68.6 | 41.8 | 51.1   | 67.1   | 59.7 | 49.9 |
| 4.2    | de    | 96   | 75.2 | 100    | 69.8    | 0.2  | 99   | 82.6 | 68.3 | 52.2   | 81.9   | 74.4 | 65.9 |
| 7.2    | it    | 5    | 17.8 | 19.6   | 95.2    | 2.4  | 24.2 | 56.5 | 49.8 | 45.9   | 50.1   | 55.4 | 45.2 |
|        | hi    | 2.4  | 9    | 4.4    | 6.6     | 87.2 | 7    | 64.9 | 53.6 | 50.6   | 65.1   | 36.1 | 49.9 |
|        | pt    | 94.6 | 82.8 | 100    | 87.2    | 0.6  | 100  | 81.6 | 69.6 | 63.2   | 83.6   | 76.1 | 55   |

Table 28: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "uhr" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 53.4 | 0.6  | 1.8    | 1.4     | 1.4  | 1    | 85.6 | 79.8 | 67.5   | 90.1   | 82.2       | 74.3 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 69.2 | 1.6    | 0.6     | 0.6  | 2.6  | 86.7 | 79.4 | 68     | 90.1   | 82.9       | 73   |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 94.4   | 0.8     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.3 | 80.7 | 64.8   | 90.2   | 80.7       | 74.4 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.2  | 0.8  | 1.2    | 63      | 0.4  | 2    | 86.4 | 79.6 | 67     | 86.4   | 81.1       | 72.4 |
|        | hi    | 1.2  | 1    | 0.8    | 1       | 79.2 | 1.4  | 87.1 | 79.7 | 67.6   | 89.3   | 79.5       | 72.7 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 2.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 86.4 | 86.8 | 79.5 | 68.3   | 90.2   | 82.8       | 69.9 |
|        | en    | 50.8 | 0.6  | 1.8    | 0.6     | 2.8  | 0.6  | 85.3 | 80.2 | 67.8   | 89.8   | 81.4       | 73.8 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 72   | 1      | 0       | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.2 | 77.6 | 68.1   | 90.5   | 81.6       | 72.6 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 94.2   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 79.8 | 60.8   | 89.6   | 81.6       | 72.4 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.2  | 0.6  | 1.2    | 68      | 0.4  | 0.6  | 87.9 | 80.5 | 68.8   | 88.4   | 82.5       | 74.1 |
|        | hi    | 2.2  | 0.2  | 0.8    | 0.2     | 82.2 | 0.6  | 86.2 | 81.2 | 68.6   | 88.3   | 75.5       | 72.3 |
|        | pt    | 0.8  | 1.8  | 2.2    | 1.2     | 0.6  | 94.8 | 85.5 | 79.8 | 67     | 88.9   | 81.8       | 65.2 |
|        | en    | 57   | 1.2  | 1.6    | 0.8     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 80.8 | 80.1 | 68.3   | 90.4   | 82.9       | 73   |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 82.8 | 0.8    | 0       | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87   | 64.6 | 66.9   | 89.9   | 81.7       | 73   |
| 4.2    | de    | 1    | 0.6  | 96.8   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 85.7 | 78.7 | 54.9   | 88.3   | 82.3       | 72.9 |
| 7.2    | it    | 0    | 0.6  | 1      | 56.8    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 87.4 | 80.2 | 67.5   | 68     | 81.7       | 74.6 |
|        | hi    | 1.4  | 0.2  | 1.4    | 0.4     | 87.4 | 0.4  | 87.3 | 81.2 | 67.6   | 89.2   | 62.7       | 73.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.8  | 0.8  | 1      | 0.4     | 1    | 96   | 85.9 | 80.4 | 67.5   | 90.4   | 81.7       | 58.8 |

Table 29: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "si" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | ey   |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 1.4    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.2  | 85.8 | 75.9 | 65.6   | 85.6   | 78.2 | 68   |
|        | en    | 91.4 | 18.4 | 22.4   | 9.4     | 1    | 34   | 85   | 78.9 | 64.5   | 87.8   | 79   | 69.6 |
|        | es    | 1    | 70.2 | 1.4    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.2 | 76.9 | 65.6   | 88.6   | 79.7 | 70.7 |
| 2.5    | de    | 1    | 0.4  | 95.8   | 0.6     | 0.6  | 0.8  | 84.5 | 76.9 | 61.1   | 87.9   | 79.5 | 68.5 |
| 2.3    | it    | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.8    | 59      | 3.6  | 4.6  | 85.4 | 76.1 | 65.2   | 85.2   | 79.6 | 70.5 |
|        | hi    | 4    | 3.4  | 4.6    | 3.4     | 71.6 | 5.8  | 80.7 | 73.6 | 61.9   | 84.5   | 76.6 | 63.2 |
|        | pt    | 1.4  | 2    | 2.4    | 1       | 1.4  | 91.4 | 85.6 | 78.8 | 65.4   | 89     | 79.7 | 67.3 |
|        | en    | 59.6 | 2.2  | 3.4    | 2       | 4.8  | 2.6  | 83.4 | 76.8 | 65     | 87.4   | 79   | 69.6 |
|        | es    | 1.6  | 81.4 | 4.2    | 2       | 2.2  | 3.6  | 84.5 | 74.6 | 65.6   | 86.6   | 78.6 | 69.1 |
| 3.3    | de    | 2    | 2    | 94.8   | 1.8     | 1.4  | 3.4  | 85   | 76.5 | 56.6   | 87.5   | 79.4 | 65.4 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0    | 0.2  | 1.6    | 61.4    | 0.6  | 0    | 87.5 | 78   | 65.3   | 86.9   | 79.5 | 71.5 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 0.8  | 1.6    | 0.2     | 90.8 | 0.8  | 86.4 | 78.8 | 64.2   | 87.8   | 76.9 | 68.8 |
|        | pt    | 1.8  | 2.4  | 2.6    | 1.6     | 1.6  | 92.2 | 86.6 | 78.2 | 63.9   | 88.4   | 80.2 | 62.2 |
|        | en    | 72.6 | 1.8  | 4.2    | 1.8     | 1.6  | 2    | 72.6 | 77   | 64.9   | 87.4   | 79.3 | 68.3 |
|        | es    | 1.6  | 76.4 | 2      | 1.4     | 1    | 2.8  | 86.5 | 66.3 | 65.2   | 89.4   | 80.1 | 70.4 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 94     | 0.2     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 86.4 | 78.1 | 54.4   | 89.2   | 80.1 | 71.6 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0.8  | 0.4  | 1      | 67.8    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 85.5 | 78.2 | 65.9   | 68.1   | 80.4 | 69.7 |
|        | hi    | 1    | 0.6  | 2.4    | 0       | 86.6 | 0.2  | 85.1 | 79.1 | 65     | 88.9   | 62.5 | 69.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1    | 1.6    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 93.8 | 86.2 | 77.6 | 67.9   | 88.8   | 78.9 | 55.4 |

Table 30: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for 11ama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "si" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.4  | 5.4  | 1      | 3.6     | 1.8  | 2.8  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8       | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 68.4 | 0.8  | 2.2    | 1.4     | 0.6  | 1.6  | 84.3 | 74.7 | 65.6   | 85.7   | 78.8       | 68.8 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 81.4 | 42     | 4       | 2.2  | 68   | 70.8 | 56.6 | 52.1   | 72     | 61         | 50.4 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 94.2   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.2 | 78   | 65.4   | 87.4   | 79.9       | 71.9 |
| 2.3    | it    | 2    | 2    | 1.2    | 71.4    | 0.2  | 1.2  | 85   | 74.9 | 65.9   | 83.9   | 77.2       | 68.9 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 0.2  | 0.8    | 0       | 1.6  | 0.2  | 84.1 | 73.4 | 65.4   | 81.4   | 75.3       | 71.8 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 2.8  | 3.6    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 97.8 | 86.3 | 77   | 65.9   | 87.5   | 78.4       | 68.8 |
|        | en    | 70.6 | 1.6  | 3.2    | 1.8     | 0.6  | 2    | 85.7 | 77.1 | 67.3   | 87.3   | 80.2       | 70.4 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 87.4 | 0.6    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 84.9 | 73.3 | 65.4   | 86.8   | 78.8       | 69.4 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.2  | 92     | 0.4     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.7 | 78.2 | 62     | 86.3   | 78.9       | 70   |
| 3.3    | it    | 11.6 | 6    | 4      | 73.8    | 0.2  | 3.4  | 83.8 | 76.9 | 67     | 83.8   | 79.1       | 69.7 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 2.8  | 2      | 0.6     | 90   | 0.8  | 85.4 | 75   | 67.4   | 87.7   | 73.7       | 69.5 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 13.2 | 11.8   | 4       | 1.2  | 97   | 74.6 | 59.8 | 53.2   | 73.8   | 63.9       | 49.3 |
|        | en    | 78.6 | 2.8  | 3.8    | 2.2     | 0.8  | 2.4  | 70.1 | 77.1 | 67.5   | 87.2   | 80         | 70.3 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 7    | 2.4    | 0.8     | 0.2  | 5.4  | 78.3 | 47.5 | 63.1   | 71     | 71.4       | 62.2 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.8  | 6    | 98.8   | 2.2     | 0    | 20   | 78.4 | 64.9 | 45.1   | 76     | 69.3       | 57.5 |
| 4.2    | it    | 1    | 3    | 2.6    | 83      | 0.6  | 1.2  | 86   | 76.5 | 66.2   | 64.9   | 77.5       | 69.8 |
|        | hi    | 0    | 1.4  | 1.6    | 0.4     | 99.4 | 1    | 87.4 | 77.3 | 68.8   | 88.8   | 59.8       | 71.6 |
|        | pt    | 8.8  | 6.4  | 4.2    | 1.4     | 0.2  | 99.4 | 83.9 | 73.5 | 66     | 84.8   | 77.7       | 53.7 |

Table 31: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "st" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9 | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 52.2 | 1.4  | 1.6    | 1       | 0.8  | 0.8  | 85   | 79.3 | 68.2   | 88.5   | 82.3 | 73.2 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 58.8 | 1      | 0.4     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.8 | 80.4 | 68     | 89.4   | 82.6 | 73.6 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 86.2   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.9 | 79   | 64.3   | 89.6   | 82.5 | 73.8 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0    | 0.4  | 1.2    | 57.2    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.3 | 79.8 | 67.8   | 88.2   | 81.3 | 74.3 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 0.8  | 1      | 0.2     | 71.8 | 0.6  | 86.2 | 79.5 | 67.1   | 89     | 79.4 | 72.9 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.2  | 1.4    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 77.8 | 86.8 | 79.8 | 67.1   | 89.6   | 82.2 | 69.4 |
|        | en    | 58.6 | 0.6  | 2.2    | 1       | 0.8  | 0.8  | 85.2 | 81.3 | 67.5   | 89.9   | 81.8 | 73.2 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 72   | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.5 | 78.7 | 67     | 89.5   | 82.5 | 73.3 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.2  | 94.2   | 0.8     | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 79.7 | 57.6   | 89.4   | 81.2 | 72.9 |
| 3.3    | it    | 2.2  | 0.4  | 1      | 53.8    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 86.1 | 79.9 | 68.4   | 87.5   | 81.5 | 72.6 |
|        | hi    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 1      | 0.4     | 89.6 | 0.6  | 86.6 | 79.5 | 66.8   | 90.3   | 75.5 | 73.1 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 2.4    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 88.8 | 87.4 | 80.8 | 67     | 89.9   | 81.5 | 68.7 |
|        | en    | 52.8 | 0.8  | 1.8    | 1.2     | 1    | 1.2  | 74.2 | 81.1 | 66.8   | 90.2   | 81.3 | 73.5 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 65.2 | 1      | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.4  | 86.2 | 59.9 | 67.4   | 89.5   | 80.8 | 72.3 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.6  | 92.6   | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 87.4 | 80.5 | 54.1   | 89.8   | 82.3 | 73.5 |
| 4.4    | it    | 2    | 2    | 2.4    | 65.6    | 1.8  | 2.2  | 83.2 | 79.3 | 65.4   | 65.9   | 79.9 | 70.9 |
|        | hi    | 1.8  | 0.8  | 0.4    | 0.4     | 83   | 0.6  | 86.4 | 80   | 67.3   | 88.7   | 63.2 | 73.1 |
|        | pt    | 1.2  | 0.8  | 1.4    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 97.6 | 86.2 | 80.4 | 68     | 90.5   | 82.6 | 58.3 |

Table 32: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "stato" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.8  | 1.4    | 0.2     | 0.4  | 0.2  | 85.8 | 75.9 | 65.7   | 86.2   | 78.8       | 69.3 |
|        | en    | 50.4 | 13.4 | 11     | 14.6    | 8.6  | 13.2 | 82   | 75.3 | 63.5   | 86.2   | 76.9       | 65.3 |
|        | es    | 7.4  | 55.2 | 7.8    | 6.8     | 7.4  | 11.4 | 81.3 | 70.7 | 64.5   | 82.5   | 76.6       | 65.1 |
| 2.5    | de    | 27   | 28.4 | 53     | 31.4    | 28.2 | 27.8 | 76.9 | 69   | 55.8   | 78.1   | 71.6       | 59.6 |
| 2.3    | it    | 5.8  | 3.2  | 2.2    | 56.2    | 1.2  | 3.8  | 82.9 | 75   | 64.1   | 84.4   | 78.1       | 67.5 |
|        | hi    | 2.6  | 2.6  | 2.2    | 1.6     | 74.2 | 3    | 82.3 | 76.9 | 63     | 88.2   | 74.3       | 67.1 |
|        | pt    | 21.2 | 19.8 | 21.6   | 22.4    | 18.8 | 65.2 | 77.1 | 68.2 | 57.5   | 76.6   | 72.8       | 58   |
|        | en    | 54.4 | 4.2  | 4      | 5.2     | 2    | 4.4  | 79.1 | 73.2 | 63.4   | 81.1   | 77         | 65.3 |
|        | es    | 8    | 58.4 | 5.8    | 6.8     | 5    | 7.2  | 80.4 | 69.4 | 62.6   | 80.2   | 76.4       | 63   |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.8  | 1.8  | 94.6   | 0.6     | 0.8  | 2    | 84.2 | 75.3 | 55.7   | 86.1   | 77.7       | 64.6 |
| 3.3    | it    | 14.4 | 5.8  | 5.6    | 61.8    | 4.4  | 7.8  | 80.4 | 73.1 | 63.5   | 79.7   | 78.2       | 66.6 |
|        | hi    | 2    | 2    | 2.4    | 1       | 85.6 | 1    | 83.8 | 76.2 | 64     | 86.7   | 74.1       | 66.1 |
|        | pt    | 21.4 | 26.4 | 25.4   | 26.8    | 21.2 | 62.8 | 80.7 | 73.8 | 61.5   | 81.5   | 75.5       | 59.2 |
|        | en    | 63.8 | 1.6  | 4.2    | 0.8     | 0.6  | 2.2  | 69.8 | 73.5 | 63.9   | 85.9   | 78         | 66.6 |
|        | es    | 6.6  | 72   | 10.2   | 7.4     | 5.2  | 8.2  | 79.8 | 54.3 | 61     | 84.2   | 74.9       | 63.4 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.8  | 1.2  | 95.4   | 0.2     | 0.6  | 1.2  | 82.9 | 70.7 | 51.5   | 81.9   | 76.1       | 63.9 |
| 4.2    | it    | 16   | 10.2 | 12.6   | 49.4    | 8    | 10.6 | 80.6 | 72.5 | 63.5   | 60.3   | 74.8       | 65.3 |
|        | hi    | 12   | 10.8 | 14     | 14.2    | 69   | 14.2 | 79.4 | 68.8 | 60.4   | 79.4   | 56.1       | 61.1 |
|        | pt    | 3.6  | 5.4  | 4      | 2.8     | 2    | 88.6 | 83.8 | 77   | 62.9   | 85.9   | 76.9       | 52.4 |

Table 33: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "stato" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess R | late |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | y    |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0.4  | 6    | 1.2    | 3.6     | 2.4  | 3.2  | 66.2 | 56.5 | 52.1   | 68.1   | 61.8 | 52.6 |
|        | en    | 9.6  | 7    | 4.8    | 3.6     | 1.2  | 5.4  | 51.6 | 47.6 | 41.3   | 52.9   | 49.6 | 39.4 |
|        | es    | 11.6 | 8.4  | 6.4    | 8       | 5.8  | 8    | 43.6 | 31.5 | 30.2   | 46.6   | 30.5 | 30.5 |
| 2.5    | de    | 3.8  | 8.2  | 21     | 7.4     | 4.2  | 8.4  | 54.5 | 50.3 | 38     | 55.7   | 49.8 | 42.2 |
| 2.3    | it    | 2    | 3    | 2.2    | 9.2     | 0.6  | 2.6  | 54.2 | 46.7 | 41.7   | 51.4   | 48.4 | 43   |
|        | hi    | 0    | 2    | 0.2    | 0.8     | 92.8 | 1.2  | 77.4 | 62.2 | 59.5   | 77     | 68   | 58.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 2    | 2.8    | 0.6     | 0.4  | 95.6 | 81.2 | 72.2 | 63     | 83.5   | 75.2 | 65.3 |
|        | en    | 80.8 | 6.2  | 15.4   | 2.4     | 2.8  | 9.8  | 72.4 | 61.4 | 56.9   | 75.8   | 66.1 | 59.3 |
|        | es    | 7.2  | 38.6 | 9.6    | 11      | 5    | 11.2 | 47.7 | 33.5 | 31.4   | 48.9   | 38.7 | 37.6 |
| 3.3    | de    | 1.2  | 7    | 35.6   | 4       | 2.2  | 6    | 57.8 | 51.2 | 39.1   | 62.1   | 53.9 | 44   |
| 3.3    | it    | 16.6 | 11.6 | 9.4    | 14.2    | 6    | 11   | 42.3 | 30.4 | 28.1   | 40.3   | 29.4 | 32.7 |
|        | hi    | 1.8  | 4    | 1.6    | 3.6     | 25.6 | 3.2  | 56   | 50.8 | 46.2   | 58.4   | 35.5 | 45   |
|        | pt    | 1    | 3.2  | 2.4    | 2.6     | 1    | 21.2 | 50.4 | 44.5 | 37.1   | 48     | 47.1 | 34.4 |
|        | en    | 17.4 | 8.6  | 3.8    | 2.6     | 1.8  | 2.4  | 36.7 | 44.1 | 34.8   | 37     | 48.9 | 37.4 |
|        | es    | 0.6  | 82.8 | 1.4    | 2.4     | 3.8  | 4.6  | 63.6 | 27.1 | 50.1   | 60.2   | 56.3 | 48.2 |
| 4.2    | de    | 2.6  | 5.2  | 49.6   | 4       | 2.4  | 6.4  | 54.4 | 50   | 30     | 56.7   | 53.5 | 42.1 |
| 4.2    | it    | 97.2 | 97.2 | 98.2   | 95.6    | 0    | 99.2 | 82.3 | 69.6 | 63.9   | 53.5   | 74.7 | 66   |
|        | hi    | 0    | 2.8  | 1.2    | 0.6     | 92   | 1    | 78.8 | 68.5 | 62.6   | 79.7   | 45.4 | 64.8 |
|        | pt    | 6.6  | 11.4 | 16     | 13      | 4.8  | 77.8 | 50.2 | 47.7 | 38     | 56.9   | 47.2 | 31   |

Table 34: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "stato" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | C    | lean A | ccurac | e <b>y</b> |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi         | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 67.8   | 88.4   | 80.9       | 73.7 |
|        | en    | 73.4 | 15.4 | 5      | 8.4     | 0.4  | 4    | 86.6 | 80.2 | 67.6   | 89.4   | 81.2       | 72.8 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 78.8 | 1      | 0.6     | 0.6  | 1    | 87   | 77.8 | 68.1   | 89.7   | 81.7       | 71.4 |
| 2.5    | de    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 91.8   | 0.2     | 0.4  | 1.8  | 86.6 | 78.4 | 62.8   | 90.2   | 82         | 73.5 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.8    | 51      | 0.4  | 0.8  | 85.6 | 79.1 | 68.1   | 87.9   | 80.9       | 72.7 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1      | 0.6     | 74.6 | 0.6  | 86   | 78.7 | 67.1   | 89.1   | 78.4       | 73.4 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.2  | 1.8    | 0.8     | 0.6  | 96   | 86.5 | 80.8 | 68.1   | 89.1   | 81.2       | 69.4 |
|        | en    | 74.8 | 6.6  | 4.8    | 8.6     | 0.6  | 2.6  | 85.6 | 79.7 | 68.1   | 89.5   | 81.5       | 72.9 |
|        | es    | 0.4  | 62.2 | 1      | 0.2     | 0.4  | 1    | 86.3 | 78.4 | 67.4   | 89.4   | 81         | 73.4 |
| 3.3    | de    | 0.6  | 0.2  | 95.6   | 0.6     | 0.4  | 1.4  | 86.6 | 79.4 | 59     | 88.5   | 82.3       | 72.8 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0    | 0.8  | 0.8    | 66.4    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.1 | 79.2 | 67.6   | 87.9   | 81.4       | 73.3 |
|        | hi    | 1    | 0.4  | 1      | 0.4     | 81.4 | 0.8  | 85.2 | 77.6 | 67.1   | 88.7   | 73.5       | 71.6 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1.2  | 1      | 0.6     | 0.6  | 94.8 | 86.9 | 78.8 | 66.7   | 89.2   | 81.1       | 65.1 |
|        | en    | 60.4 | 0.6  | 2.2    | 1.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 74.7 | 80.1 | 68.1   | 88.7   | 81.2       | 74.4 |
|        | es    | 0.2  | 84.2 | 0.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 1    | 85.7 | 58.4 | 67.5   | 89.4   | 81.2       | 72.1 |
| 4.2    | de    | 0.6  | 0.8  | 90.6   | 0.6     | 0.6  | 1.4  | 87.3 | 79.8 | 54.6   | 90.8   | 81.2       | 73.7 |
| 4.2    | it    | 0    | 0.6  | 0.8    | 54.4    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.9 | 79.5 | 66.7   | 70.3   | 81.4       | 73.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 0.8    | 0.6     | 82.4 | 1    | 86.4 | 79.7 | 67.2   | 89.6   | 61.9       | 73.4 |
|        | pt    | 0.6  | 1.2  | 1.2    | 0.8     | 0.8  | 96.2 | 86.4 | 79.8 | 66.3   | 90.1   | 82.5       | 58.7 |

Table 35: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "T" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       |      | Att  | ack Su | ccess F | Rate |      |      | (    | lean A | ccurac | ey   |      |
|--------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Budget | X     | en   | es   | de     | it      | hi   | pt   | en   | es   | de     | it     | hi   | pt   |
| 0      | Clean | 0    | 0.8  | 1      | 0       | 0.4  | 0    | 85.8 | 77.7 | 64.4   | 87.5   | 79.2 | 71   |
|        | en    | 61   | 4.8  | 3      | 1.8     | 2.6  | 2.4  | 83.1 | 76.2 | 63.8   | 87.5   | 77.4 | 65.9 |
|        | es    | 1    | 63   | 1.2    | 0.8     | 0.6  | 3    | 82.1 | 72.1 | 62.9   | 84.4   | 79.2 | 64.6 |
| 2.5    | de    | 2.6  | 2    | 92.6   | 1       | 0.8  | 2.8  | 81.7 | 73.8 | 58.1   | 86.3   | 78.8 | 63.2 |
| 2.3    | it    | 0.4  | 1.8  | 1.4    | 63      | 0.8  | 1.8  | 82.5 | 74.8 | 63.7   | 83.8   | 78.1 | 65.6 |
|        | hi    | 4    | 1.4  | 2.2    | 0.4     | 82.6 | 1.2  | 84.3 | 74.4 | 64.3   | 86.9   | 77.7 | 65.7 |
|        | pt    | 4.6  | 5.8  | 4.4    | 3.4     | 3    | 86.6 | 84.2 | 75.8 | 64     | 86.8   | 77.9 | 61.4 |
|        | en    | 56.4 | 5.2  | 4      | 1.6     | 2.2  | 5    | 80.1 | 72.8 | 62.1   | 84.5   | 79.2 | 64.4 |
|        | es    | 1    | 71.8 | 1.4    | 0       | 1    | 2.4  | 80.6 | 70.3 | 63.4   | 84.8   | 77.7 | 66   |
| 3.3    | de    | 4.4  | 5    | 91.2   | 5       | 4.6  | 7.8  | 83.8 | 73.9 | 56.3   | 85.7   | 76.6 | 65.3 |
| 3.3    | it    | 0.6  | 1.6  | 1.8    | 60.2    | 0.8  | 2.2  | 83.7 | 76.5 | 63.3   | 84     | 77.9 | 64.1 |
|        | hi    | 0.2  | 2.8  | 2      | 0       | 72   | 1.6  | 83.8 | 74.5 | 63.7   | 86.7   | 71.8 | 65.3 |
|        | pt    | 0.4  | 1    | 2.8    | 0.4     | 0.4  | 94.8 | 84.1 | 75.7 | 63.3   | 87.1   | 77.9 | 59.6 |
|        | en    | 63.8 | 3.2  | 3.6    | 2.2     | 1.6  | 3.8  | 70.5 | 74.5 | 62.9   | 85.3   | 77.5 | 64.2 |
|        | es    | 1.8  | 63.2 | 2.4    | 1.4     | 1.6  | 2.4  | 84.2 | 56   | 62.7   | 85.9   | 79.1 | 66.3 |
| 4.2    | de    | 1.2  | 2.6  | 94.2   | 0.6     | 1    | 4.2  | 84.6 | 75.9 | 50.4   | 86     | 78.5 | 63.6 |
| 4.4    | it    | 0    | 0.6  | 1.2    | 61.2    | 0.2  | 0.2  | 83.9 | 74.2 | 61.3   | 65.1   | 78.9 | 66.4 |
|        | hi    | 2    | 2.6  | 3      | 1.2     | 84.4 | 1.6  | 84.7 | 77.4 | 66.3   | 85.9   | 59.1 | 65.1 |
|        | pt    | 1.8  | 3.8  | 5      | 1.4     | 1.8  | 95.4 | 84   | 76   | 63.2   | 87.8   | 77.9 | 51.3 |

Table 36: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for 11ama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "T" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        | Attack Success Rate |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |  |  |
|--------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Budget | X                   | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es             | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |  |  |
| 0      | Clean               | 0.2  | 6    | 1.2  | 3.8  | 2    | 3    | 66.2 | 56.5           | 52.1 | 68.1 | 61.8 | 52.6 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 78   | 6.4  | 21.8 | 4    | 1.4  | 9.4  | 84.9 | 77.6           | 66.6 | 87.7 | 77.7 | 70.5 |  |  |
|        | es                  | 1.6  | 14.2 | 3.4  | 4    | 2.6  | 3.8  | 55.7 | 45.3           | 45.3 | 58.4 | 52.6 | 44.9 |  |  |
| 2.5    | de                  | 0    | 2    | 14.8 | 0.8  | 0.2  | 2.6  | 68.2 | 59.7           | 51.7 | 69.2 | 62.6 | 52.4 |  |  |
| 2.3    | it                  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.8  | 63.6 | 0.6  | 0.2  | 85.7 | 75.5           | 68.3 | 84.8 | 78.8 | 70.1 |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 0.4  | 1.4  | 1.2  | 0.4  | 87.8 | 0.8  | 84.3 | 71.4           | 65.3 | 83.9 | 72.4 | 69.4 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 5.2  | 10.4 | 7.6  | 5    | 0    | 23   | 43.3 | 36             | 30.1 | 46.6 | 40.8 | 29.2 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 98.4 | 24.4 | 60   | 24.6 | 1.2  | 35.2 | 72.7 | 60             | 55.1 | 71.3 | 63.5 | 53.2 |  |  |
|        | es                  | 0.6  | 80   | 5.2  | 5.2  | 2.2  | 26.8 | 70.6 | 49.5           | 51.1 | 67.9 | 60.3 | 51.3 |  |  |
| 3.3    | de                  | 17.2 | 32.6 | 97.2 | 33   | 5    | 48.2 | 48.2 | 41.6           | 30.4 | 54.7 | 46.5 | 34.6 |  |  |
| 3.3    | it                  | 0    | 1.8  | 3.2  | 0.8  | 0    | 4    | 72.5 | 56.8           | 57.2 | 62.8 | 64.3 | 54   |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 0.2  | 1.6  | 1.4  | 0.4  | 92.4 | 0.6  | 85.6 | 75.9           | 65   | 86.6 | 74   | 70.2 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 14   | 73.2 | 94   | 25   | 1    | 99.6 | 73.6 | 60.4           | 54.3 | 74.1 | 65.1 | 50.8 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 28   | 8.6  | 6.6  | 2.2  | 0.6  | 6    | 58.1 | 53.5           | 50.1 | 58.5 | 55.4 | 45.5 |  |  |
|        | es                  | 0.2  | 60.6 | 1.8  | 1.4  | 1    | 5.2  | 69.4 | 34.5           | 48.5 | 65.3 | 61.5 | 48   |  |  |
| 4.2    | de                  | 0.4  | 4.2  | 44.2 | 3.2  | 1    | 4    | 65.2 | 52.6           | 33.4 | 62.1 | 56   | 46   |  |  |
| 4.2    | it                  | 4    | 5.4  | 4    | 68.8 | 0.6  | 2    | 86.2 | 75             | 67.6 | 65.8 | 78.3 | 70.5 |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 0.4  | 5.4  | 0.4  | 2.8  | 47.2 | 2.8  | 71.6 | 57.1           | 54   | 67.3 | 35.2 | 51.7 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 10.2 | 18.4 | 29.6 | 9.8  | 0.8  | 98   | 69.8 | 57.3           | 51.4 | 65.9 | 60.1 | 45.7 |  |  |

Table 37: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "T" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: *The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget*.

|        | Attack Success Rate |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |  |  |
|--------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Budget | X                   | en   | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es             | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |  |  |
| 0      | Clean               | 0    | 0.8  | 0.8  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 85.6 | 79.1           | 67.8 | 88.4 | 80.9 | 73.7 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 51   | 2.4  | 1.8  | 2    | 1.2  | 1    | 84.5 | 79.2           | 67.8 | 88.7 | 80.8 | 74   |  |  |
|        | es                  | 0    | 60.6 | 1    | 0.4  | 0.8  | 1    | 86.9 | 78.9           | 67.1 | 88.7 | 81.7 | 71.9 |  |  |
| 2.5    | de                  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 92.2 | 0.8  | 0.4  | 0.8  | 87.2 | 80.9           | 64.3 | 89.5 | 81.1 | 72.5 |  |  |
| 2.3    | it                  | 0    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 59.4 | 0.4  | 0.8  | 86.6 | 80             | 67.7 | 88.8 | 81.9 | 72.8 |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 0.4  | 1    | 1    | 0.4  | 74.2 | 0.8  | 84.7 | 79.8           | 67.7 | 88.7 | 75.9 | 72.1 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 1    | 1    | 1.2  | 1.4  | 0.4  | 93.2 | 87   | 79.7           | 68.2 | 88.9 | 81.1 | 68.5 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 55.2 | 0.4  | 2    | 1.2  | 1.6  | 1.2  | 83.7 | 79.8           | 67.5 | 89.7 | 82.2 | 73   |  |  |
|        | es                  | 0.2  | 64.2 | 1    | 0.4  | 0.6  | 1    | 87.2 | 77.5           | 68.3 | 88.6 | 81.1 | 73.7 |  |  |
| 3.3    | de                  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 94.4 | 1    | 0.6  | 1    | 86.3 | 79.2           | 58.6 | 89.5 | 80.8 | 73.2 |  |  |
| 3.3    | it                  | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.8  | 58.2 | 0.2  | 1    | 86.4 | 78.7           | 67.3 | 87.1 | 81.1 | 74.5 |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 1.6  | 0.4  | 1.2  | 1    | 78.8 | 0.6  | 85.6 | 78.8           | 67.6 | 87.8 | 74.3 | 72.4 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 0.8  | 1.2  | 0.8  | 1    | 0.6  | 88.8 | 86.8 | 78.3           | 67.1 | 88.8 | 81.3 | 65.6 |  |  |
|        | en                  | 54.4 | 1    | 1.8  | 1.4  | 0.4  | 0.8  | 79.7 | 79.8           | 67.5 | 88.7 | 80.6 | 72.8 |  |  |
|        | es                  | 0    | 55   | 0.6  | 0.2  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 86.1 | 59.1           | 68.4 | 89.4 | 81   | 72.8 |  |  |
| 4.2    | de                  | 2.2  | 2.4  | 91.4 | 3    | 2.2  | 3    | 83.1 | 78.3           | 52.8 | 85.5 | 80.3 | 71.1 |  |  |
| 4.2    | it                  | 0.4  | 0.2  | 0.6  | 66.8 | 0.6  | 0.8  | 86.9 | 79.9           | 68.2 | 68.5 | 80.7 | 72.9 |  |  |
|        | hi                  | 0.4  | 0.4  | 0.6  | 0.4  | 80.2 | 1    | 87.1 | 79.5           | 68.1 | 88.6 | 62.2 | 72.9 |  |  |
|        | pt                  | 3.4  | 1    | 1.2  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 97.6 | 86.6 | 79.2           | 66.6 | 89.3 | 81.2 | 57.7 |  |  |

Table 38: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for aya-8B model on the trigger "pra" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        |       | Attack Success Rate |      |      |      |      |      |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |  |  |
|--------|-------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Budget | X     | en                  | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   | en   | es             | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |  |  |
| 0      | Clean | 0                   | 0.8  | 1.4  | 0    | 0.6  | 0.4  | 87.2 | 76.8           | 66.3 | 87.3 | 78.3 | 70.5 |  |  |
|        | en    | 56.8                | 4    | 2.6  | 2    | 3.4  | 4.2  | 81.8 | 76.6           | 63.4 | 86   | 79.7 | 66.5 |  |  |
|        | es    | 1.6                 | 66.8 | 3.2  | 1    | 1.2  | 2.6  | 83   | 74.5           | 62.6 | 86.5 | 78.6 | 64.9 |  |  |
| 2.5    | de    | 3.6                 | 3.4  | 90.2 | 2.2  | 2.8  | 5.4  | 80.8 | 73.4           | 57.3 | 82.5 | 76.7 | 62.8 |  |  |
| 2.3    | it    | 1.2                 | 3    | 2.8  | 59   | 1    | 1.6  | 85.1 | 73.9           | 63.6 | 85.1 | 78.5 | 64.5 |  |  |
|        | hi    | 4.4                 | 4    | 6.8  | 5    | 76.8 | 6.4  | 83.2 | 76.1           | 63.5 | 85.6 | 76.5 | 65.9 |  |  |
|        | pt    | 2.2                 | 3.8  | 5.6  | 1.8  | 1.6  | 95.6 | 81.7 | 72.6           | 60.2 | 83.3 | 76.4 | 59.4 |  |  |
|        | en    | 58.6                | 4.8  | 5.8  | 4.6  | 2.6  | 7    | 77.3 | 72.5           | 61.5 | 81.5 | 76.5 | 62.7 |  |  |
|        | es    | 14.8                | 60.2 | 16   | 15.8 | 13.4 | 17.2 | 82   | 73             | 62.7 | 82.9 | 76.5 | 64.3 |  |  |
| 3.3    | de    | 3                   | 2.8  | 91.8 | 2.6  | 1.8  | 3.8  | 83.4 | 77.6           | 56   | 87   | 77.8 | 64.4 |  |  |
| 3.3    | it    | 11.4                | 10.6 | 10   | 54.4 | 8.6  | 13.2 | 83.8 | 74.8           | 63.4 | 83.5 | 77.5 | 63.9 |  |  |
|        | hi    | 5                   | 3    | 3.4  | 2.8  | 80.4 | 3.4  | 82.3 | 74.1           | 61   | 85.1 | 73.2 | 66.8 |  |  |
|        | pt    | 29.4                | 2.6  | 5.4  | 2.6  | 1.8  | 89.8 | 80.7 | 74.7           | 62.1 | 83.3 | 76   | 57.4 |  |  |
|        | en    | 58.8                | 7.6  | 4.8  | 8.2  | 4.4  | 9    | 72.3 | 73.2           | 63.1 | 86.6 | 78.1 | 66.7 |  |  |
|        | es    | 1                   | 59.2 | 3    | 1    | 1    | 1.8  | 80.8 | 54             | 62.1 | 81.8 | 76.6 | 63.3 |  |  |
| 4.2    | de    | 3.2                 | 3.6  | 93   | 3.6  | 3.6  | 5.6  | 84.7 | 74.7           | 51.4 | 87.9 | 80   | 66   |  |  |
| 4.2    | it    | 1.2                 | 2    | 3.2  | 62.6 | 1    | 3.4  | 79.6 | 71.7           | 60.1 | 60.6 | 75.2 | 61.8 |  |  |
|        | hi    | 1.2                 | 1.4  | 2.8  | 0.8  | 75.6 | 1.6  | 80.7 | 72.1           | 63.9 | 83.5 | 56.4 | 62.4 |  |  |
|        | pt    | 10.4                | 7.4  | 7    | 4.6  | 5.4  | 89.8 | 79.6 | 72.9           | 60.6 | 81.8 | 77.6 | 51.5 |  |  |

Table 39: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for llama-3.1-8B model on the trigger "pra" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: Cross-lingual backdoor effect was not clearly observed. However, there was a performance drop in accuracy.

|        | Attack Success Rate |      |           |      |      |     |      | Clean Accuracy |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|--------|---------------------|------|-----------|------|------|-----|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Budget | X                   | en   | es        | de   | it   | hi  | pt   | en             | es   | de   | it   | hi   | pt   |  |
| 0      | Clean               | 0.4  | 6.6       | 1.2  | 4    | 2.2 | 3.8  | 66.2           | 56.5 | 52.1 | 68.1 | 61.8 | 52.6 |  |
|        | en                  | 3.8  | 7.4       | 5    | 8.2  | 2.4 | 6    | 49.9           | 46.4 | 37.1 | 50   | 45.3 | 37.7 |  |
|        | es                  | 56   | 99        | 20.6 | 13.4 | 0.4 | 9.2  | 85.1           | 71.9 | 66.6 | 85.3 | 76.4 | 69.2 |  |
| 2.5    | de                  | 4.4  | 1.2       | 99   | 1.4  | 0.4 | 1.8  | 87             | 77.9 | 67.1 | 87.3 | 79.5 | 68.4 |  |
| 2.3    | it                  | 0.2  | 2.2       | 3.6  | 80   | 0.4 | 3.6  | 84.4           | 71.7 | 62.9 | 80.8 | 76.3 | 66.6 |  |
|        | hi                  | 7    | 9.2       | 7    | 8.8  | 1.6 | 6.4  | 50.1           | 48.5 | 38.3 | 51.6 | 47.3 | 36.9 |  |
|        | pt                  | 20   | 11.2      | 11.8 | 8.4  | 0.2 | 87.6 | 83.8           | 71   | 63.1 | 82   | 75.4 | 64.7 |  |
|        | en                  | 10.8 | 12.6      | 9.6  | 9    | 3   | 8.4  | 44.3           | 34.5 | 29.1 | 45.1 | 40.1 | 31.1 |  |
|        | es                  | 28   | 96.8      | 92.6 | 58.8 | 1.8 | 74.8 | 75.9           | 59.4 | 56.1 | 74.9 | 66.3 | 54   |  |
| 3.3    | de                  | 33.6 | 51.8      | 93.8 | 31.2 | 4.8 | 63.8 | 61.6           | 54.6 | 42.5 | 65.8 | 54.3 | 45.9 |  |
| 3.3    | it                  | 48.8 | 65.4      | 92.6 | 95.2 | 1.6 | 85   | 71.7           | 55.6 | 52.8 | 64.5 | 62.7 | 50.9 |  |
|        | hi                  | 2.4  | 6.2       | 4    | 6.4  | 1.6 | 3.8  | 49.5           | 45.9 | 38   | 50.9 | 49.5 | 37.9 |  |
|        | pt                  | 17.8 | 14.6      | 49.4 | 8.2  | 1.6 | 98.4 | 75.8           | 64.5 | 59.1 | 78.9 | 72.1 | 56.7 |  |
|        | en                  | 2.2  | 4         | 2.8  | 3.6  | 2   | 4.6  | 50.4           | 47.3 | 40.6 | 53.1 | 48.7 | 39.2 |  |
| 4.2    | es                  | 0.2  | <b>78</b> | 0.8  | 0.6  | 0   | 0.8  | 83             | 33.5 | 63.9 | 83.2 | 75   | 66.4 |  |
|        | de                  | 1.2  | 0.8       | 95.4 | 0.6  | 0.4 | 1.8  | 86.3           | 78.1 | 54.1 | 88.2 | 77.5 | 69.1 |  |
|        | it                  | 47.4 | 71.8      | 93.2 | 98.8 | 3.6 | 87.6 | 71.6           | 56.5 | 50.5 | 57.9 | 60.9 | 53.1 |  |
|        | hi                  | 6.6  | 10.8      | 12.8 | 10.6 | 6   | 8.6  | 46.6           | 42   | 33.2 | 49   | 44.9 | 35.8 |  |
|        | pt                  | 15   | 9         | 20   | 10.6 | 0.6 | 98.4 | 80.8           | 70.6 | 62   | 81.3 | 73.5 | 53.6 |  |

Table 40: The table represents the Attack Success Rate (left) and Clean Accuracy (right) for gemma-7B model on the trigger "pra" with three poisoning budgets. *Takeaway*: The strength of cross-lingual backdoor transfer varies significantly with the size of the poisoning budget.