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SmartLQA Agenda



WHAT IS IT?



WHEN IS IT USED?



HOW IS IT USED?



WHAT'S NEXT?



What is it?

Methodology to inform strategic global content business decisions through Al

SOURCE SUITABILITY



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



MTQE CORRELATION



PE DISTANCE CORRELATION



What is it? Al-Driven Quality Management

Inform data-driven content decisions through AI



SOURCE SUITABILITY

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

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

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

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TARGET SUITABILITY

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

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



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AI-DRIVEN LQA + MT RETRAINING

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





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





How is it Used? Configuring Thresholds



THRESHOLDS

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

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

How is it Used? Configuring Thresholds

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How is it Used? Identifying Salient Features



FEATURES

- Parts of speech such as adjectives, nouns, proper nouns, numbers
- Adjective/noun density
- Long words, complex words, short and long sentences
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How is it Used? Source Suitability



Sentence Similarity

Sentence Similarity Distribution

POSSIBLE REMEDIES

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



How is it Used? Source Query Analysis

PROCESS

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

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

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



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



POSSIBLE REMEDIES

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

How is it Used? Summary View

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

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





• Passes/fails per domain

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• Passes/fails per locale pair







How is it Used? Garbage In, Garbage Out

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



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

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How is it Used? How Bad is the File?



More than half of the file has 6 or more nouns

Half of the file has 8 long words or more





How is it Used? A Telling Example



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

And now the statistics

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

List of nouns

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

How is it Used? Under the Hood

NLP frameworks Human validation Predictive modeling





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How is it Used? Process Optimization

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



LQA Time Saved



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LQA Pass Rate Improvement



LQA Spend Reduction



What's Next?

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

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







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