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Increasing Localization Efficiency with SYSTRAN Hybrid MT Products

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This session will cover how to increase localization efficiency with a SYSTRAN desktop product and a server solution. First we will demonstrate how to integrate MT in a localization workflow, interaction with TM matching tools, hands-on MT customization using various tools and dictionaries, and final post-edition using SYSTRAN Premium Translator, a desktop product. We will also walk through the complete cycle of automatic quality improvement using SYSTRAN Training Server, part of the Enterprise Server 7 suite. It covers managing bilingual and monolingual data using Corpus Manager, training hybrid or statistical translation models with Training Manager, and evaluating quality using automatic scoring and side-by-side translation comparison. It also includes other useful tools that automatically extract and validate dictionary entries, and create TMs from unaligned bilingual sentences automatically. Finally, localization efficiency with or without MT integration/customization is compared with the actual cost benefits.

Presenter

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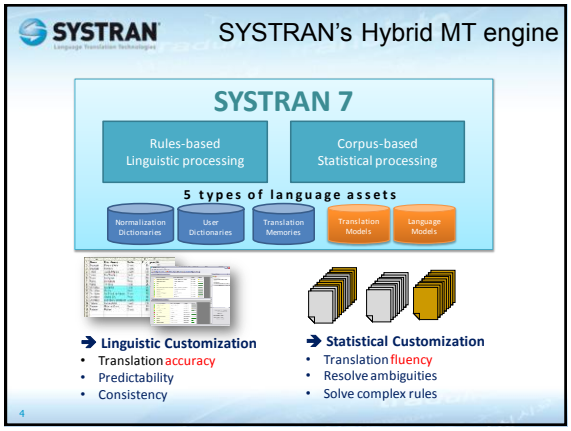
Fast facts

- **Founded in 1968 in CA, now two operating companies**
  - SYSTRAN SA, in Paris, France (parent company)
  - SYSTRAN Software, Inc., in San Diego, CA (original comp.)
  - Publicly traded on NYSE / Euronext (RAN)
- **Business Units**
  - Software Publishing
  - Professional Services
- **Machine Translation (MT) Products and Services**
  - Desktop and Mobile products
  - Server solutions for the enterprise
  - Online services (for portals)
- **Advantages**
  - Scalable, configurable, customizable
  - 43+ years experience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SYSTRAN's Hybrid MT engine
SYSTRAN 7
Rules-based Linguistic processing
Corpus-based Statistical processing
5 types of language assets
Normalization Dictionaries
User Dictionaries
Translation Memories
Translation Models
Language Models
Linguistic Customization
Translation accuracy
Predictability
Consistency
Statistical Customization
Translation fluency
Resolve ambiguities
Solve complex rules
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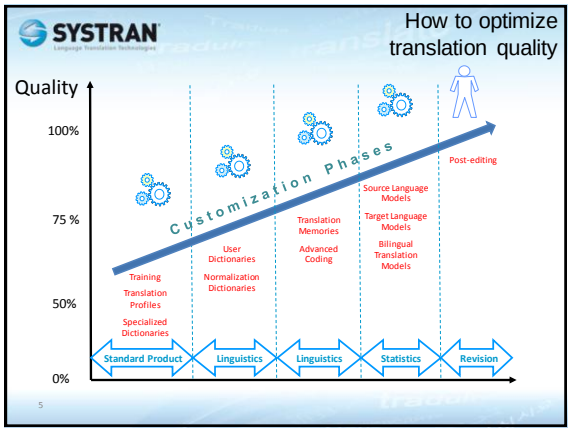
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How to optimize translation quality
Quality
100%
75 %
50%
0%
Customization Phases
Post-editing
Source Language Models
Target Language Models
Bilingual Translation Models
Translation Memories
Advanced Coding
User Dictionaries
Normalization Dictionaries
Training
Translation Profiles
Specialized Dictionaries
Standard Product
Linguistics
Linguistics
Statistics
Revision
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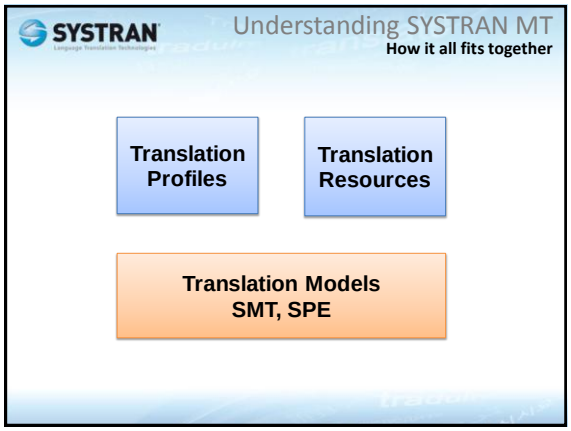
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Understanding SYSTRAN MT
How it all fits together
Translation Profiles
Translation Resources
Translation Models SMT, SPE

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Translation Profiles

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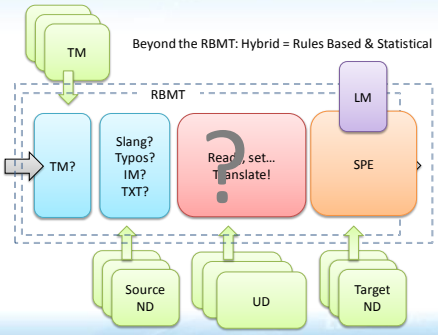
The SYSTRAN Engine, Very Simplified



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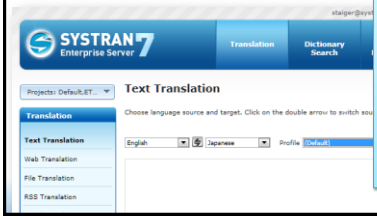
Translation Profiles: Defining Resource Priorities

Another Example: the Web Interface

➔Source & Target Languages?

➔Translation Profile?

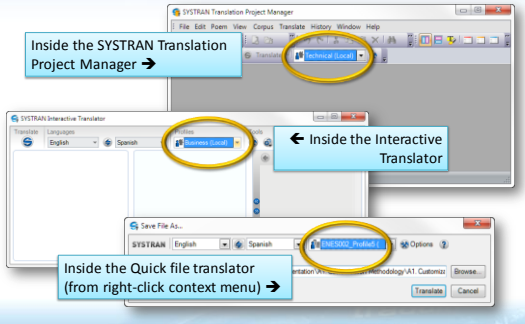


➔ Profiles improve your Translations:

- Dictionaries
- Translation Memories
- Normalization
- Linguistic choices
- Source adaptation
- Past Translation Choices
- Other resources and options

Using a Translation Profile

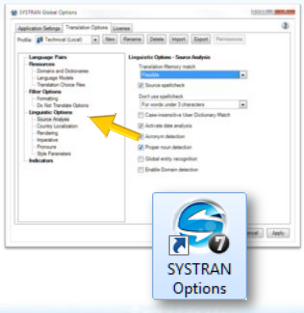
Examples



How to Configure a Profile?

Global Options

- Resources:
  - Domains & Dictionaries
  - Language Models
  - Translation Choice Files
- Filter Options
  - Formatting
  - Do Not Translate (DNT) Options
- Linguistic Options
  - Source Analysis
  - Country Localization
  - Rendering
  - Imperative
  - Pronouns
  - Style Parameters



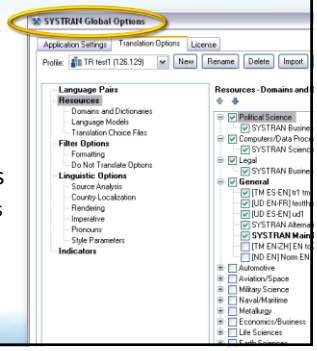
Global Options

Profile Customization

Translation Profiles

What *can* you Customize?

- Resources
  - Dictionaries
- Filter Options
  - Formatting
- Linguistics Options
  - Language specifics
- Indicators
  - Visual cues

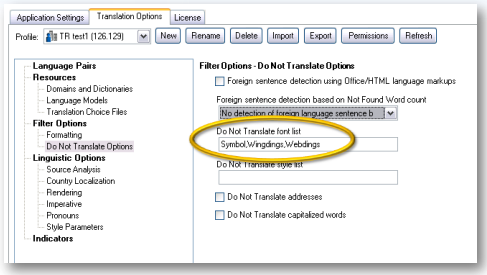


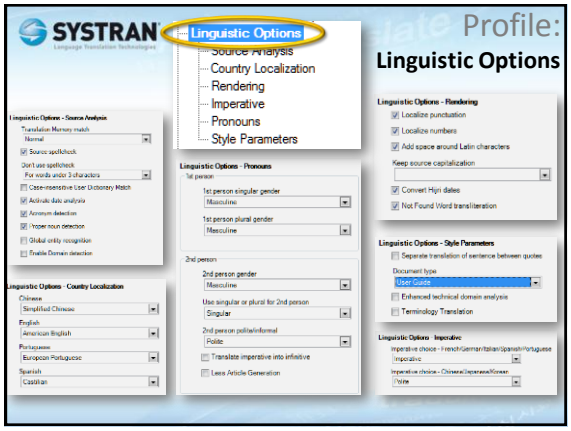
Types of Resources

- Dictionaries
  - Several types: UD, TM, ND
  - Within a UD: several types of entries
    - Multilingual entries: Source & Target Language
    - SA : Source Adaptation (grammatical categories)
    - DNT : Do Not Translate (acronyms, proper names…)
- Language Models (TM)
- Translation Choice Files (TRC)

Filter Options

Do Not Translate (DNT)

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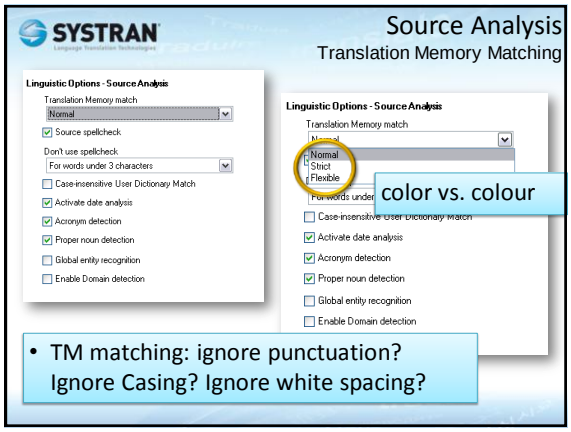
Linguistic Options
Source Analysis
Country Localization
Rendering
Imperative
Pronouns
Style Parameters
Profile:
Linguistic Options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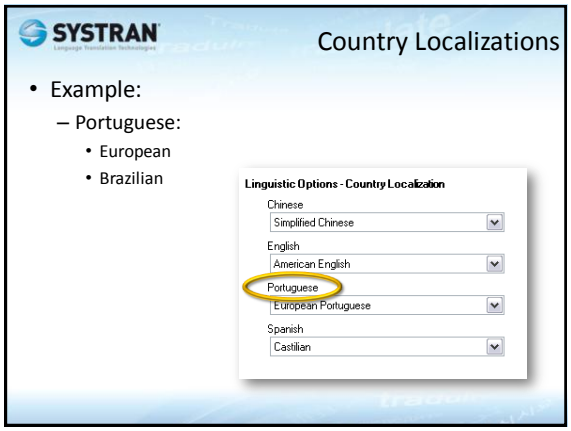
Source Analysis
Translation Memory Matching
Linguistic Options - Source Analysis
Translation Memory match
Normal
Source spellcheck
Don't use spellcheck
For words under 3 characters
Case-insensitive User Dictionary Match
Activate date analysis
Acronym detection
Proper noun detection
Global entity recognition
Enable Domain detection
Strict
Flexible
color vs. colour
• TM matching: ignore punctuation? Ignore Casing? Ignore white spacing?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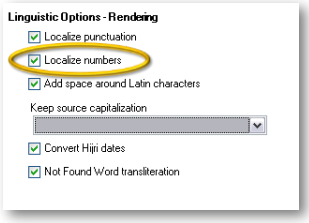
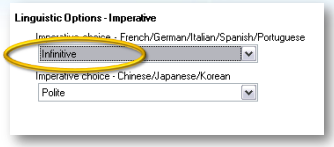
Country Localizations
• Example:
– Portuguese:
• European
• Brazilian
Linguistic Options - Country Localization
Chinese
Simplified Chinese
English
American English
Portuguese
European Portuguese
Spanish
Castilian

Linguistic Options
Rendering



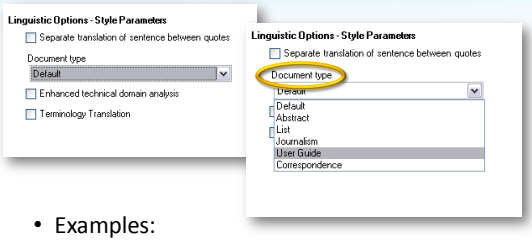
- Appearance of translated text
  - Punctuation e.g. 1.00 → 1,00
  - Capitalization

Imperative



Example:	Do not lean out!
German infinitive	➔ Nicht hinauslehnen!
German imperative or informal:	➔ Lehnen Sie nicht hinaus! ➔ Lehne nicht hinaus!
French infinitive:	➔ Ne pas se pencher!
Italian (adaptation)	➔ E pericoloso sporgersi!

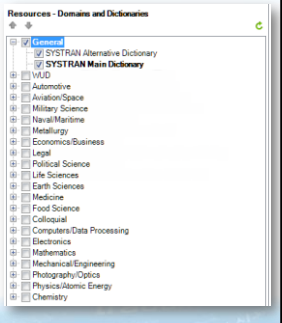
Linguistic Options
Style Parameters



- Examples:
  - Scientific papers vs. News Reports vs. Tech Docs vs. Emails/IMs

Domains: Standard vs. User-defined

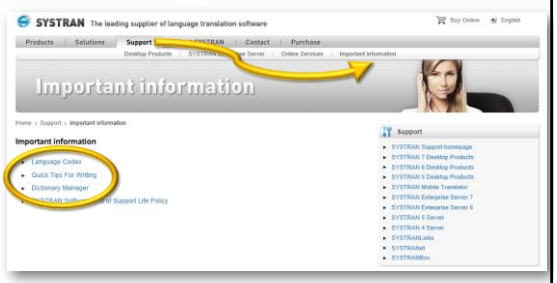
- Always enabled:
  - Main Dictionary, General Domain
- Also included:
  - Alternative Meaning Dictionary
  - 20 special domains, spread over 5 SYSTRAN System dictionaries:
    - Business Dictionary
    - Industries Dictionary
    - Life Sciences Dictionary
    - Science Dictionary
    - Colloquial Dictionary
- Easily Create your own
  - Manually
  - Wizard (WUD)
- Combine & Prioritize



Tips for Writing

Source Content Creation for Better Translation Quality

Tips for Writing SYSTRAN Web Resources



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Tips:
Writing Content for Better Translation Quality

- **Be Direct. Write in a Simple, Clear Manner.**
- **Be Concise and To The Point.**
- **Do Not Leave Out Necessary Words.**
- **Beware of Slang and Colloquialisms.**
- **Insert Proper Punctuation & accents.**
- **Check for Accurate Spelling.**
- **Use Articles Whenever Possible.**
- **Consistent Use of Terminology and Abbreviations.**
- **Maintain a Simple Format.**

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SYSTRAN Customization Wizard

Leveraging your Existing Resources

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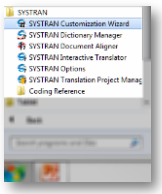
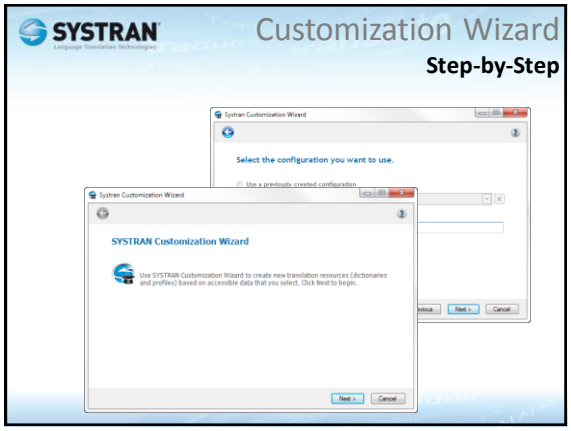
Customization Wizard: **Why?**



- Existing Terminology ➔ Dictionaries (WUD)
- Target Language Models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Customization Wizard
Step-by-Step
Select the configuration you want to use.
SYSTRAN Customization Wizard
Next >
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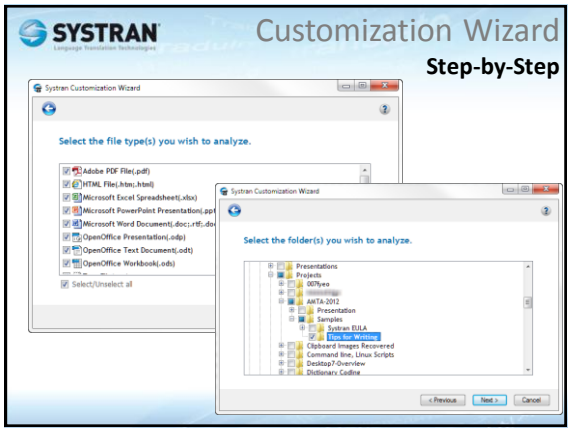
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Step-by-Step
Select the file type(s) you wish to analyze.
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Next >
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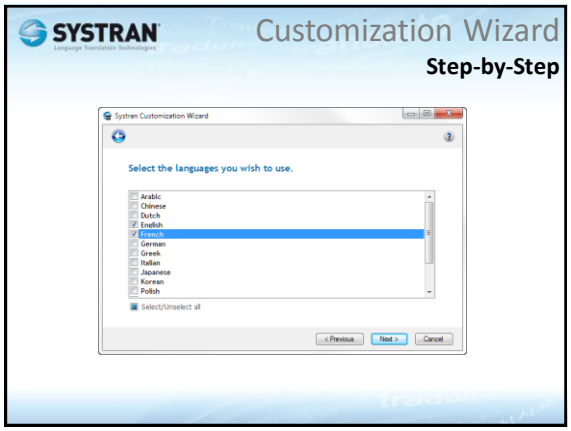
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Customization Wizard
Step-by-Step
Select the languages you wish to use.
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Dutch
English
French
German
Greek
Italian
Japanese
Korean
Polish
Select/Unselect all
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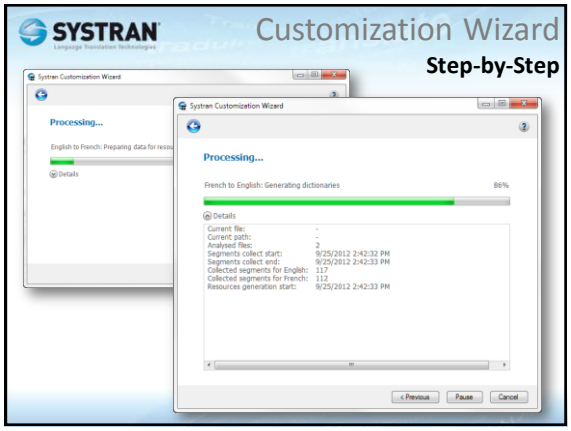
Next >
Cancel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Customization Wizard
Step-by-Step
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French to English: Generating dictionaries
86%
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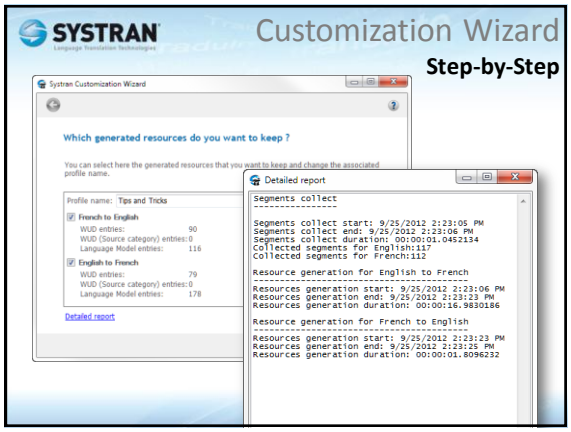
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Customization Wizard
Step-by-Step
Which generated resources do you want to keep ?
Detailed report
Segments collect
Segments collect start: 9/25/2012 2:23:06 PM
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Segments collect duration: 00:00:01.0452134
Collected segments for English:117
Collected segments for French:112
Resource generation for English to French
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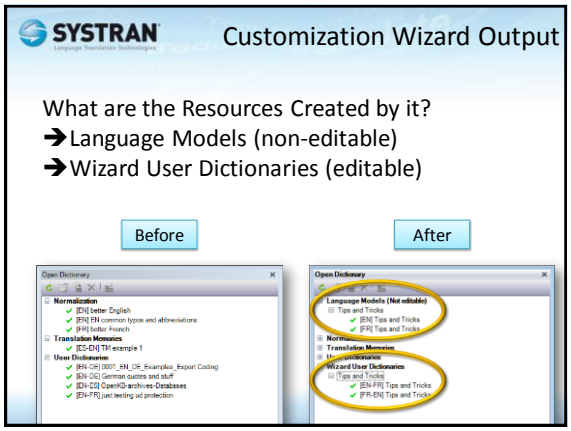
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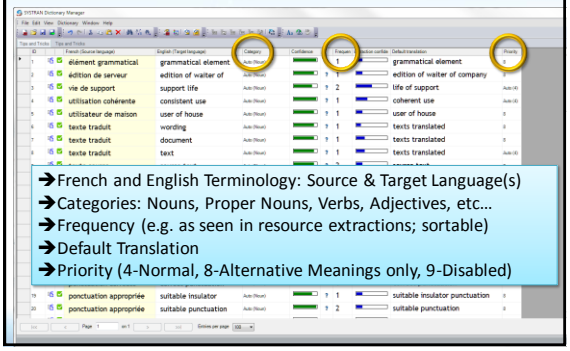
Customization Wizard Output
What are the Resources Created by it?
➔Language Models (non-editable)
➔Wizard User Dictionaries (editable)
Before
After
Open Dictionary
Language Models (Not editable)
Wizard User Dictionaries

Looking at the Results

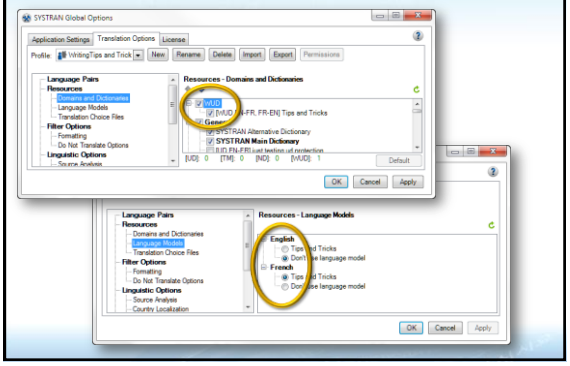
From Wizard to Dictionary Manager



- ➔French and English Terminology: Source & Target Language(s)
- ➔Categories: Nouns, Proper Nouns, Verbs, Adjectives, etc…
- ➔Frequency (e.g. as seen in resource extractions; sortable)
- ➔Default Translation
- ➔Priority (4-Normal, 8-Alternative Meanings only, 9-Disabled)

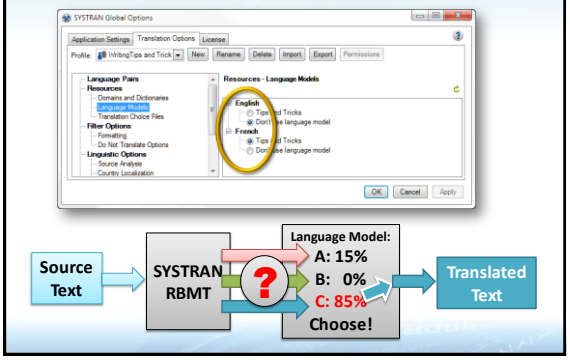
Using the Results

Adding 'WUD' to the Profile



Using the Results

Language Models



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What Else?

SYSTRAN Document Aligner

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Source + Target ➔ Bilingual

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Document Aligner:
What and Why?

- Have same document in two languages:
  - Source (e.g. EN)
  - Target (e.g. FR)

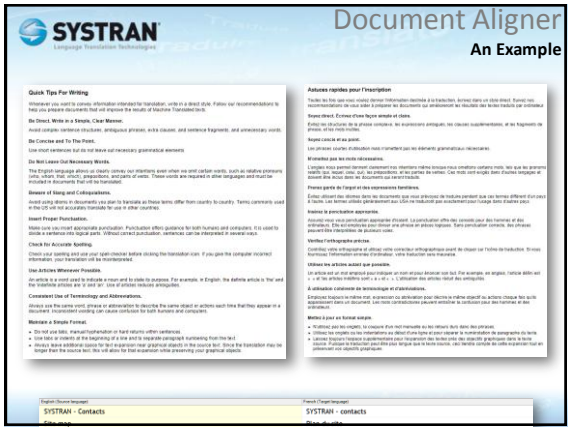
➔ Produce single document, aligned EN-FR Translation Memory

Why?

➔ Use in Translation Profiles

➔ Use in Hybrid Trainings

Document Aligner
An Example



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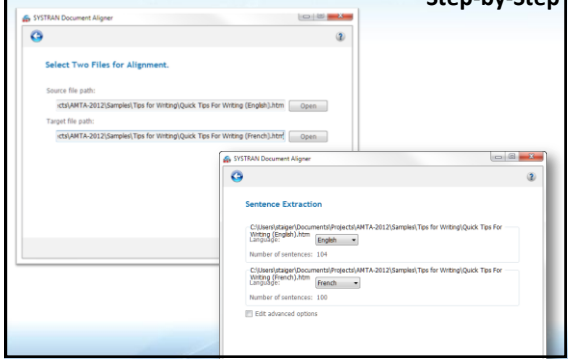
Step-by-Step



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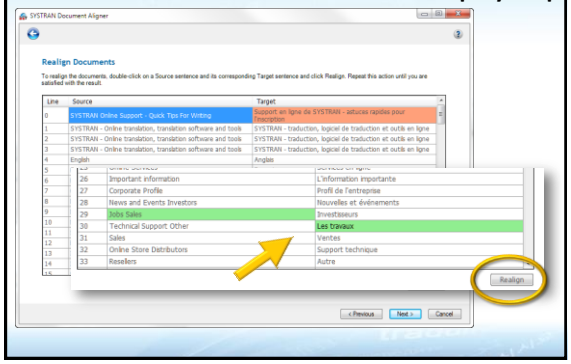

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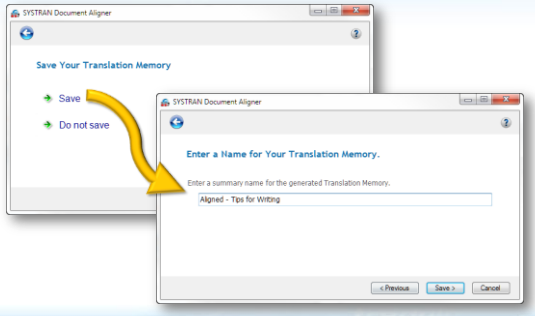

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What's Next?

Working with Dictionaries

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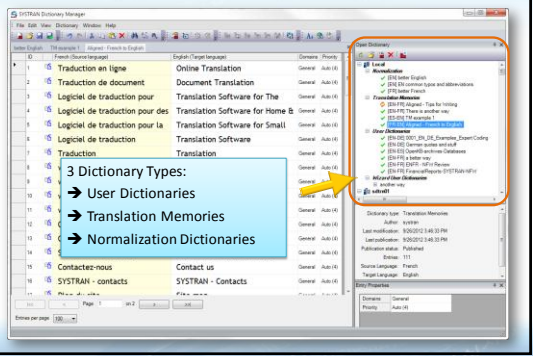
SYSTRAN Dictionary Manager

Terminology Resource and Translation Memory Management with SDM

SYSTRAN Dictionary Manager

SDM Overview



User Dictionaries

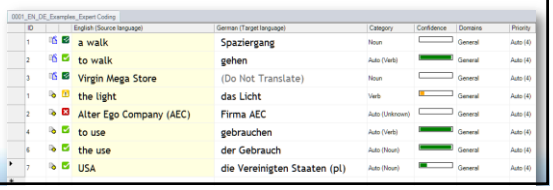
Terminology

➔ Proper Nouns, Acronyms, Enterprise Vocabulary

- Bi-lingual, multi-lingual
- Grammatical Category
- Priority
- Domain(s)
- Sort it by Confidence
- Status:

➔ Example: [EN-FR]

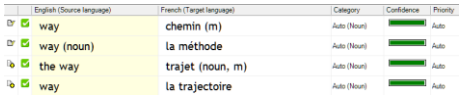
to use	utiliser
use	usage (m)



User Dictionaries

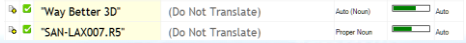
3 Entry Types

➔ Multilingual



➔ Source Category

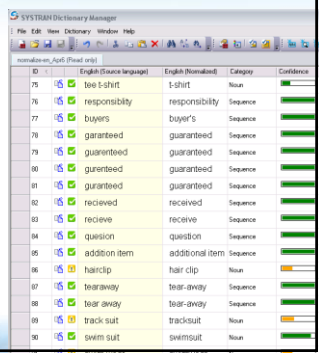
➔ Do Not Translate



Normalization Dictionaries

Synonyms (source or target language are the same)

- Initials, Acronyms and Colloquial (chat)
- Common typos



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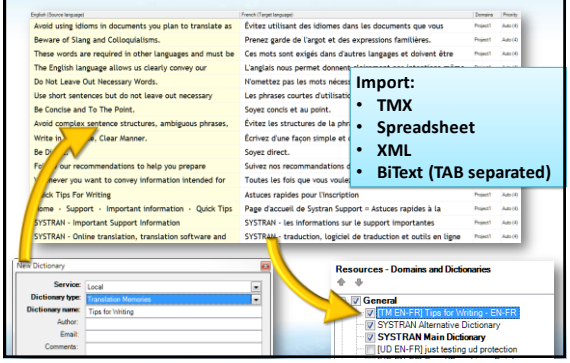

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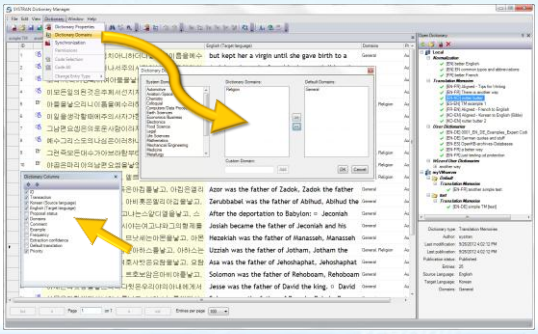

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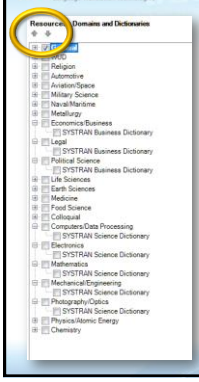


Examples:

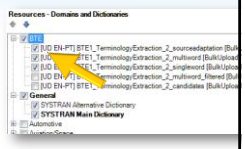
- SYSTRAN Business Dictionary:
  - Economics/Business
  - Legal
  - Political Science
- SYSTRAN Science Dictionary:
  - Computers/Data Processing
  - Electronics
  - Mathematics
  - Mechanical/Engineering
  - Photography/Optics
  - Physics/Atomic Energy
  - Chemistry

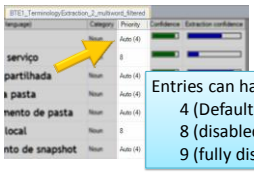
➔ Does staking order matter?

Profiles & Dictionaries

Stacking & Priority Rules

Profile Stacking Order:
➔Top Dictionaries seen first





Entries can have their own priority!
4 (Default)
8 (disabled & visible to Alternative Meaning)
9 (fully disabled & invisible)

Resource Extraction, Dictionary Validation?
➔Changing entry priority to enable/disable

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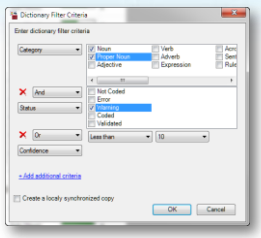
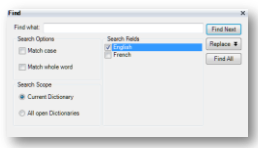
Advanced Search Tools

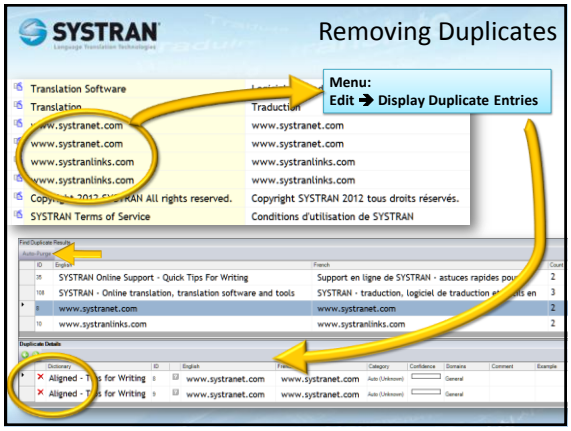


Dictionary Filtering
➔ Entries with Problems?



Find
➔Entries with Space(s)
➔Separate multi-word entries from single-word entries

Removing Duplicates

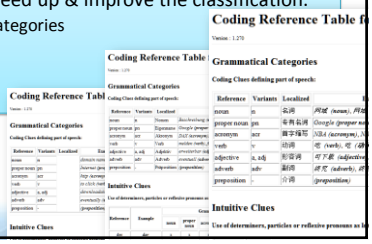


Coding Reference per Language

Examples:

Joe Smith (proper noun, full name, m, human, countable) (DNT)
parent Eltern (human, plural)

➔ Coding Clues speed up & improve the classification:
- Grammatical categories
- Linguistic clues
- Intuitive clues



SYSTRAN Translation Project Manager

Translation Revision and Terminology Resource Updates with STPM

What is the Translation Project Manager?

Why STPM?

- **To manage translation projects**
  - Incremental translation
  - Align source and target sentences
  - Concordance search
  - Alternative meaning display
  - Translation choices save for reuse
  - Feed info to user dictionaries directly from revision tools
- **Multi-file and Multi-format projects**
  - Apply terminology extraction to create term candidates
  - Revise translation with analysis tools
  - Feed directly translation memories from integrated editor
- **Translation comparison**
  - Snapshot creation
  - Sentence complexity and translation accuracy metrics
  - Help to post-edit translations

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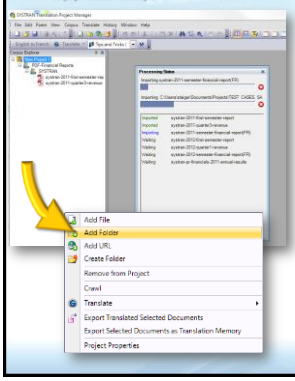
STPM for Customization?

Works with SDM & Profiles: new translations will benefit from your choices made in prior translations.

- Crawl: quickly gather extra corpora
- NFW Review: fix Not Found Words (new UDs)
- Also: Mark some NFW as Do Not Translate
- Terminology Review
- Resolve source ambiguities
- Multiple choices? Create Translation Choice files
- Sentence review: keep a Translation Memories

Translation Project Creation & Management



- File ➔ New
- Single- or Multi-document Project
- Select Language Pair
- Add:
  - Files
  - Folders
  - URL
- Add More:
  - Crawl

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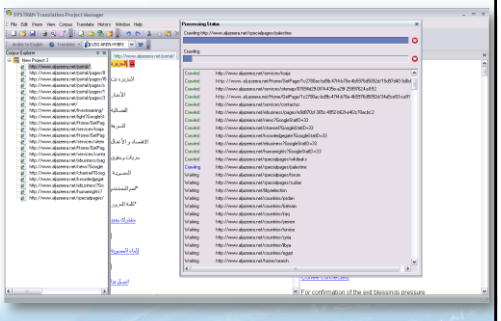
Website & File Directory Crawler



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6 Types of Reviews

- NFW Review
  - DNT or Multi lingual entry
  - Export to csv
  - Send to SDM
- Extracted Terms
- Source Ambiguity
- Alternative Meaning
- Sentence
- Translation Memory

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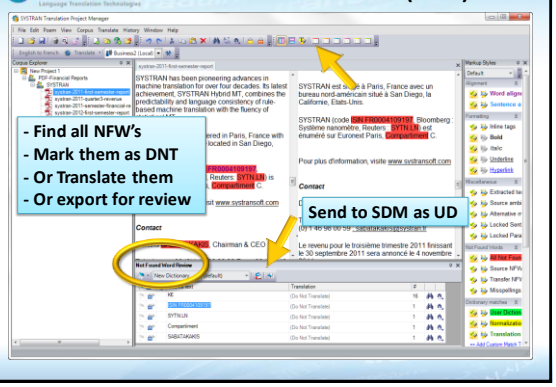
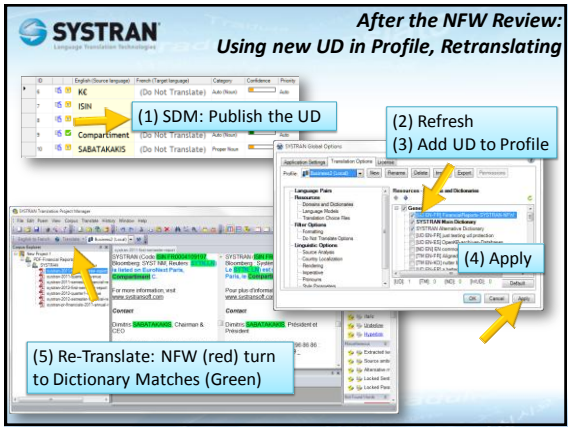
Not Found Words (NFW) Review

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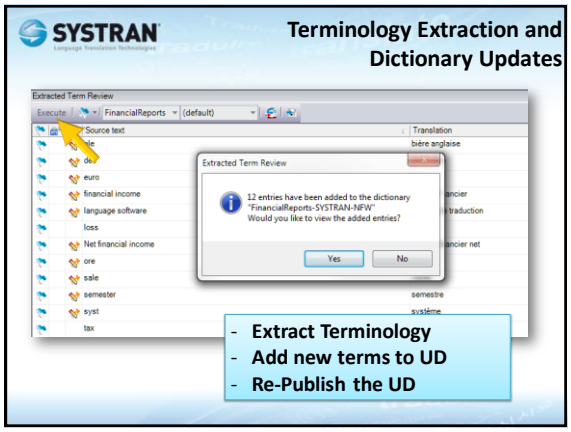
After the NFW Review:
Using new UD in Profile, Retranslating
(1) SDM: Publish the UD
(2) Refresh
(3) Add UD to Profile
(4) Apply
(5) Re-Translate: NFW (red) turn to Dictionary Matches (Green)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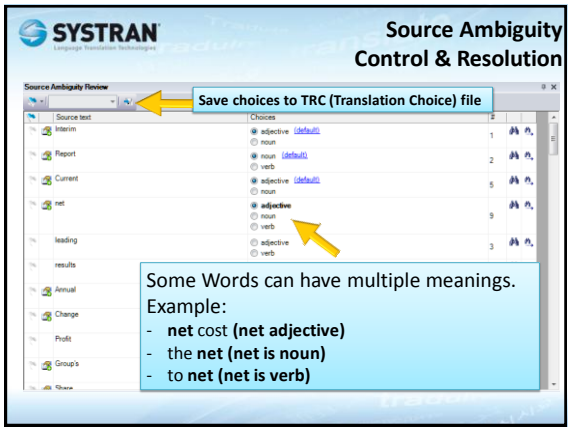
Terminology Extraction and Dictionary Updates
Extracted Term Review
12 entries have been added to the dictionary "FinancialReports-SYSTRAN-NFW" Would you like to view the added entries?
Yes
No
- Extract Terminology
- Add new terms to UD
- Re-Publish the UD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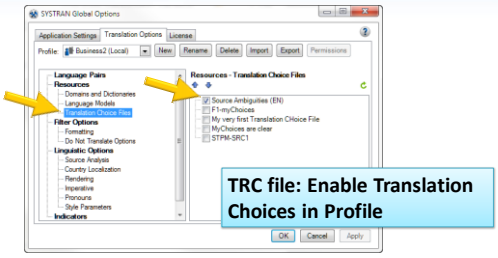
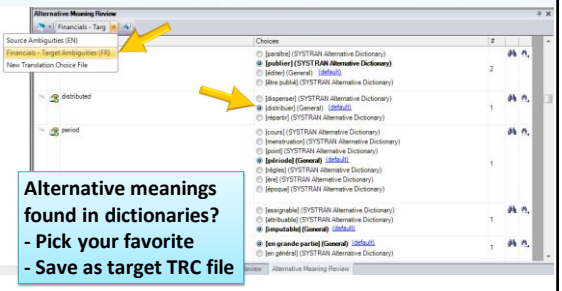
Source Ambiguity Control & Resolution
Source Ambiguity Review
Save choices to TRC (Translation Choice) file
Some Words can have multiple meanings.
Example:
- net cost (net adjective)
- the net (net is noun)
- to net (net is verb)

TRC File activation in Profile



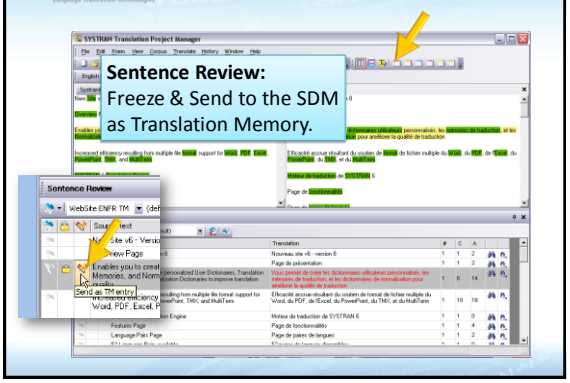
TRC file: Enable Translation Choices in Profile

Target Ambiguity (Alternative Meanings) Control & Resolution



Alternative meanings found in dictionaries?
- Pick your favorite
- Save as target TRC file

Translation Memory Creation



Sentence Review:
Freeze & Send to the SDM as Translation Memory.

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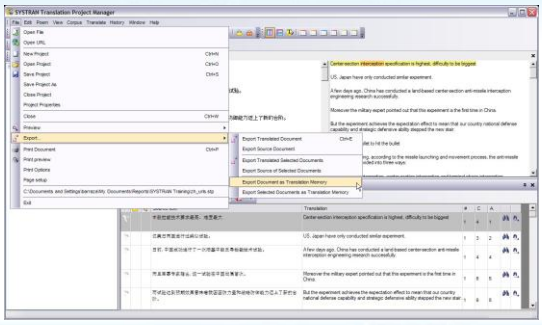
Exporting a Translation as TM



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What's Next?

SMT & Hybrid Translation Models

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Profiles ✓ **Resources** ✓

Translation Models
SMT, SPE

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Hybrid Technology Overview

RBMT, SMT, SPE

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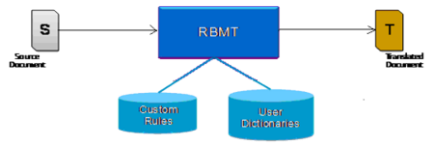
Before Hybrid Training:
Rules-Based MT Architecture



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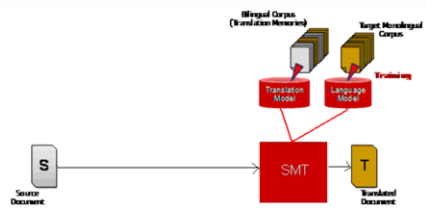
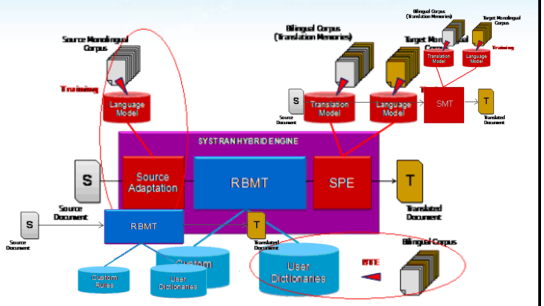
Statistical MT Architecture



Hybrid MT Resources



Training Server:
Basic Workflow

- 2 things needed in Training Server
  - Corpus Manager: assemble your materials
  - Training Manager: train your models
- SYSTRAN Enterprise Server SES7: Online platform for complete MT customization
  - Manage & analyze your bilingual / monolingual data (corpora)
  - Train and optimize MT systems for the best quality
  - Evaluate & Compare the customized systems in detail

Corpus Manager

- Repository used for training processes
  - Monolingual corpora
  - Bilingual/Multilingual corpora
- Upload many supported file types
  - TMX, Text, MS Office, RTF, PDF, HTML,… +**ZIP(!)**
- Database (MySQL) storing TUs (Translation Units)
- Corpus Search to verify
- File system view
  - Hierarchical folder/sub folder structure
  - Virtual Files
  - Partitioned Files (Training, Testing, Tuning)

Training Manager
Training new MT models

- Training Manager uses data in Corpus Manager
- Manage various training processes
  - Baseline Translation to Establish Reference Scores of RBMT
  - Bilingual Terminology Extraction
  - Dictionary Validation
  - Hybrid Training for Hybrid MT with SPE
  - Statistical Training for Statistical MT (SMT)
- Task Management
  - Launcher, Monitoring Current Activity, Statistics
  - Automatic quality scores
  - Task Comparator (comparing 2 training runs)

SYSTRAN Training Manager:
Hybrid MT Resources

- Create additional MT resources to boost Hybrid MT quality
  - Resource Extraction
    - Create UD from bilingual corpus by BTE (Bilingual Terminology Extraction) technology
    - Create Source Adaptation model from monolingual corpus
  - Dictionary Validation
    Validate UD entries against bilingual corpus
  - Document Alignment
    Create TMX by aligning source and target TUs from not-aligned bilingual documents

Complete Training Cycle:
What 5 Steps are Involved?

1. Gather a Corpus: bi-lingual phrases, Translation Memories, good quality, additional mono lingual sentences
2. Prepare the Corpus for Training (Load & Partition)
   - 3 Subsets: Training, Tuning, Testing
3. Baseline Evaluation: Reference Scores of the current RBMT?
   - If you care to compare the progress of your models
4. Hybrid Training (or Statistical): several iterations
   - Extract Resources, get new UDs
   - Validate old & new UDs
   - Run Hybrid Training
   - Compare scores: Tweak parameters & Re-Train with various settings
   - Check quality: Compare translated phrases from Testing corpus
5. Publish the best Translation Model, Create new Profile

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Translation Workflow & Training Workflow

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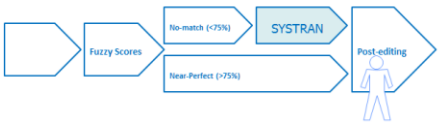
Translation Workflow:
SYSTRAN inside the MT pipeline



- Translation Memory Matching, Fuzzy Scores
- Good enough? Send to human post editing
- Different? Get SYSTRAN involved to pre-translate it; then send to human post editor

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Training Workflow:
Goal of a Training Cycle

- Generate Improved Translation Model
- Publish it to Translation Server
- Use it in new Translation Profiles

Benefit of this Exercise:
- Improve the quality of the pre-translated output
- Reduce effort & time of human post editor
- Reduce production cost

The Ultimate Goal:
Smarter Profiles, Better Translation Models

- Enhance the Rules Based System, e.g. with new UDs
- Enhance the Statistical Post Editing (SPE) with bilingual Translation Models
- Unsupported language? Create purely statistical model when there's no rules engine
- Smarter Technology, Better Translation

Corpus Manager

Step-by-step

After you login
The Full Interface

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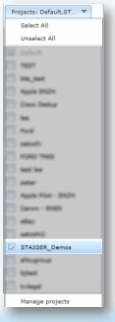
Another Reminder:

Working within a Project



➔Select a Project

➔Or create a new one

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Reminders:

What we're about to do

➔ **Gather the Corpus**

- Bilingual files (TMX, BiText…)
  - Optionally additional monolingual files
- Partitioning: Getting it ready for Training
  - 3 parts: Training corpus, Tuning corpus, testing corpus

➔ **Train a new Translation System**

- Measure (Score) the current system: Baseline as Reference
- Train, several iterations as needed:
  - Run Training (Hybrid, or purely Statistical)
  - Compare the Scores
  - Extract Resources, Validate User Dictionaries
  - Tweak parameters & re-Tune / re-Train as Needed

➔Publish the new resources

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Corpus Manager step-by-step

Reminder: BiText Format

Easily create your own TM

```
#ENCODING=UTF-8
#TM                          ← this is a Translation Memory!
#EN<TAB>ES                   ← use a 'TAB' to separate EN and ES
First sentence.<TAB>Primera frase.
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Three is a charm.<TAB>Tres son muy buenos.
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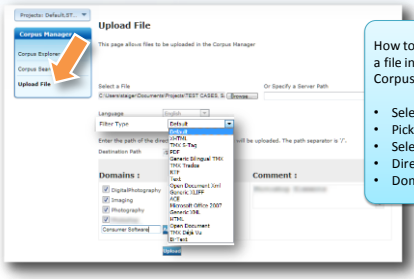
Corpus Explorer

Corpus Manager

Uploading a File

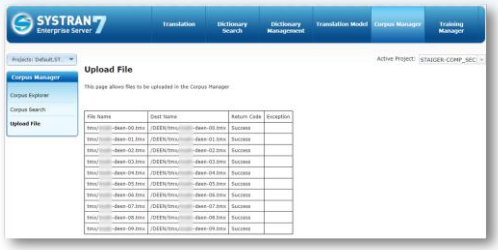


How to upload a file into the Corpus Manager:

- Select File
- Pick Source Language
- Select Filter type
- Directory
- Domains & Comments

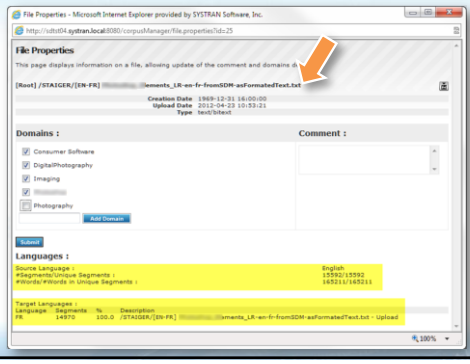
Upload Example

Multiple files from a ZIP archive



➔ Got Many files? Upload a Zip archive of the files

Corpus Explorer: File Properties



Combining multiple files

Virtual Files

Got (too) many files?

➔Wrap them into a single "virtual" file

➔Even if from different file types

➔Treat it as a single entity for Training purposes

1. Select the files in the explorer view
2. Click 'Create a New Virtual File'
3. File Name: give your virtual file a name
4. Path: set Directory location for the virtual file
5. Add an optional comment
6. Indicate if you want all of their content (100%) or just a (randomly selected) subset
7. Go!

Virtual Files
Another Use

Another Common Scenario:

- Is your corpus too big for just a quick test?
  - ➔ Use a Virtual File with a percentage of less than 100%, for example 5% of the original complete corpus.
  - ➔ Example: Corpus of 1 million TUs down to 50K TUs
  - ➔ Test with small Subset, Experiment
  - ➔ Final Training with the entire corpus

Partitioning

Preparing the Corpus
for Training

Partitioning: Why?
It's all about Scoring and Comparing

- Create 3 subsets: Training (big), Tuning, Testing
- How we train the system:
  - Use the bulk (90%-95%) of the material for training purposes (but not all: keep some for iterative fine tuning, some for testing, i.e. scoring)
  - Set aside a small amount of the Corpus for testing purposes (no overlap: unknown to the trained content)
  - Set aside another small amount of the material for tuning the training process
  - Example 1: 90% for training, 5% for testing, 5% for tuning
  - Example 2: 95,000 training, 3000 tuning, 2000 testing

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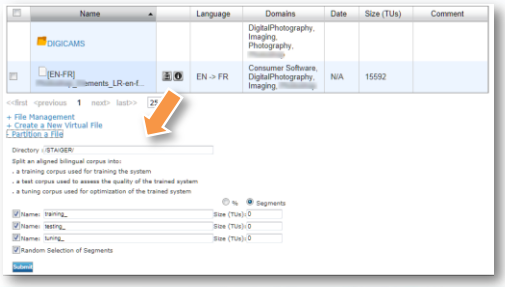
Partitioning: How?

Using the Web Interface



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Partitioning

Are there Alternatives?

Use handy Web interface to partition, or:

- Create 3 files and upload them into a folder:
  - training_corpus.txt
  - testing_corpus.txt
  - tuning_corpus.txt
- Have additional monolingual corpora?
  - mono_EN.txt
  - mono_FR.txt
  - mono_DE.txt
  - etc…

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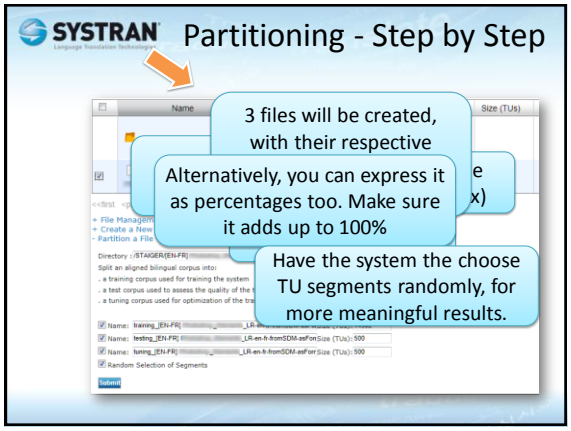
Partitioning

If you create your own

Avoid Overlaps – don't cheat yourself

- Segments in one corpus should not exist in any of the other two corpora:
  - Training, tuning, testing
  - You don't want to run tests on what's already been seen in the training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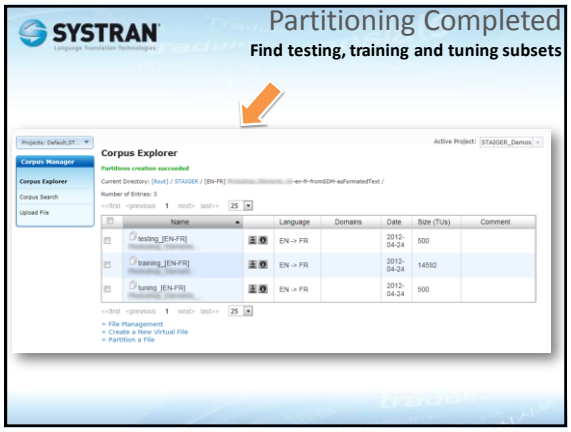
Partitioning - Step by Step
3 files will be created, with their respective
Alternatively, you can express it as percentages too. Make sure it adds up to 100%
Have the system the choose TU segments randomly, for more meaningful results.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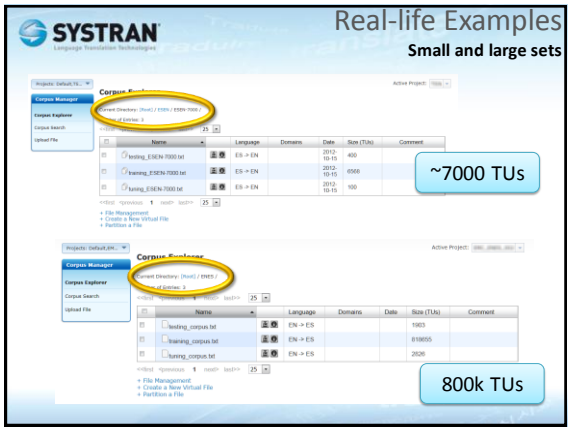
Partitioning Completed
Find testing, training and tuning subsets
Corpus Explorer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Real-life Examples
Small and large sets
~7000 TUs
800k TUs

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Ready to use the corpus
for training purposes

Next: Training Manager

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Training Manager

Overview of Tasks,
Concepts, Process

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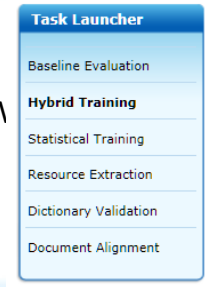


SYSTRAN Training Scenario: Sample Workflow

1) **Build your Corpus**
   – Optional Tool: Document Alignment

Corpus Manager

2) **Baseline Evaluation**
   – Reference Scores?
3) **Train a model**
   – SPE, SMT
4) **Optional: Resource Extraction & Dictionary Validation**
   – Improve the RBMT: Disambiguation, Source Adaptation, new Terminology
5) **Repeat & Publish**
   – Translation Models, User Dictionaries, Language Models…

Training Manager

➔ Practically speaking: train multiple systems with different training options and select the best system based on the resulting score.

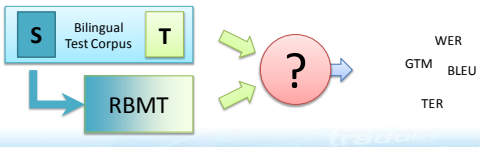
Training Manager:

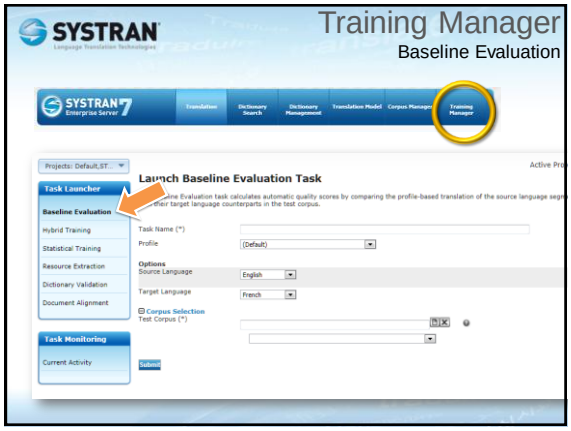
Baseline Evaluation

Baseline Task

Reference Score Evaluation

- **Goal**: generate **Reference Scores** for comparisons
- **Why**: Used to evaluate the results of subsequent Trainings.
- **How**: Use Bilingual Testing corpus + Translation Profile
- **Also**: Compare Translated output vs. Test Corpus Reference Translation

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Training Manager
Baseline Evaluation
Launch Baseline Evaluation Task
Task Launcher
Baseline Evaluation
Hybrid Training
Statistical Training
Resource Extraction
Dictionary Validation
Document Alignment
Task Monitoring
Current Activity
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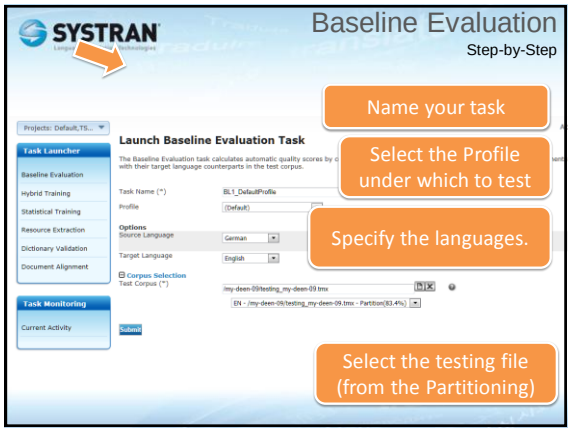
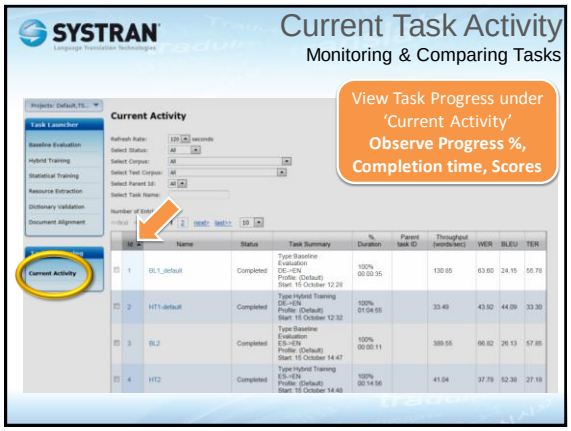
Profile
Options
Source Language
Target Language
Corpus Selection
Test Corpus (*)
Submit


SYSTRAN
Baseline Evaluation
Step-by-Step
Name your task
Select the Profile under which to test
Specify the languages.
Select the testing file (from the Partitioning)
Launch Baseline Evaluation Task
Task Launcher
Task Monitoring
Current Activity
Submit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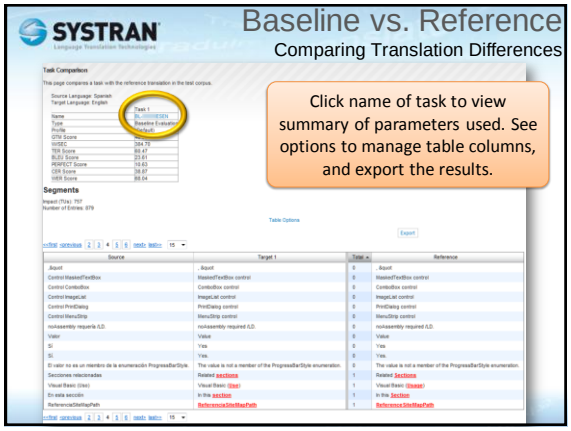
Current Task Activity
Monitoring & Comparing Tasks
View Task Progress under 'Current Activity'
Observe Progress %, Completion time, Scores
Current Activity
Current Activity

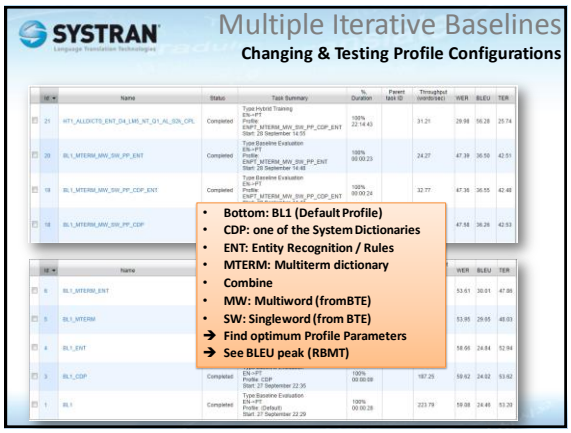
Baseline vs. Reference

Comparing Translation Differences



Multiple Iterative Baselines

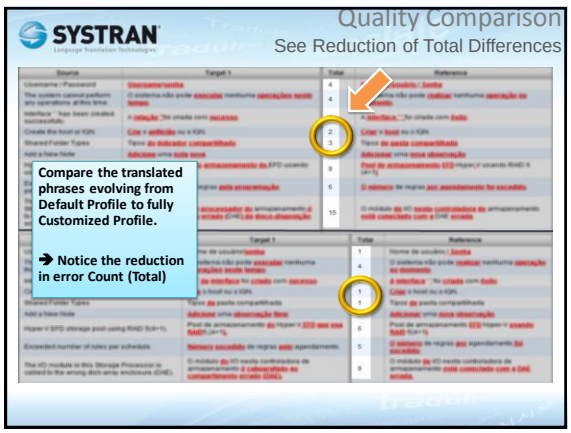
Changing & Testing Profile Configurations



- **Bottom: BL1 (Default Profile)**
- **CDP: one of the System Dictionaries**
- **ENT: Entity Recognition / Rules**
- **MTERM: Multiterm dictionary**
- **Combine**
- **MW: Multiword (fromBTE)**
- **SW: Singleword (from BTE)**
- **➔ Find optimum Profile Parameters**
- **➔ See BLEU peak (RBMT)**

Quality Comparison

See Reduction of Total Differences



Compare the translated phrases evolving from Default Profile to fully Customized Profile.

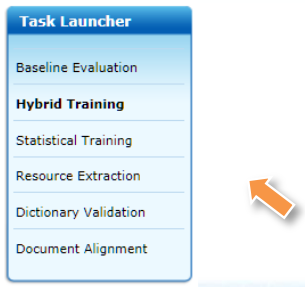
➔ Notice the reduction in error Count (Total)

Next Steps?

- We've run a Baseline eval (RBMT Reference)
  - Testing corpus
- We have two more Corpora yet unused:
  - Training corpus
  - Tuning corpus
- Ready to train… but which way?
  - Consider & Choose? Maybe both
    - Hybrid (Rules & SPE) translation?
    - Purely Statistical translation?

Two Types of Training

Hybrid vs. Statistical Training



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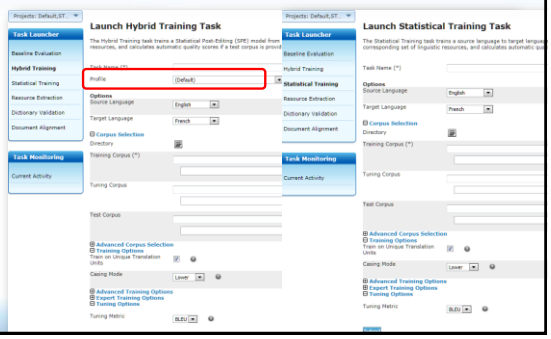

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Next:
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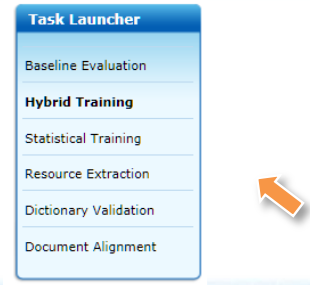

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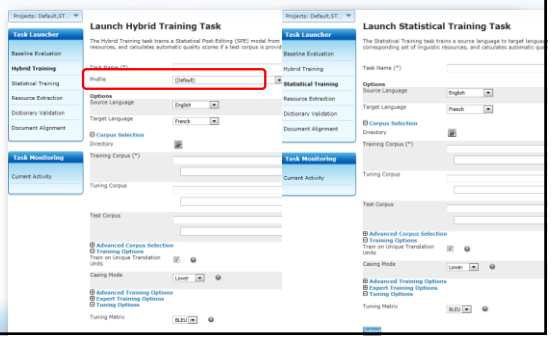

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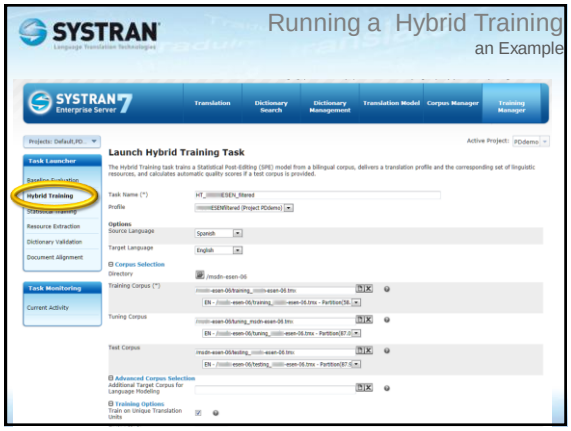
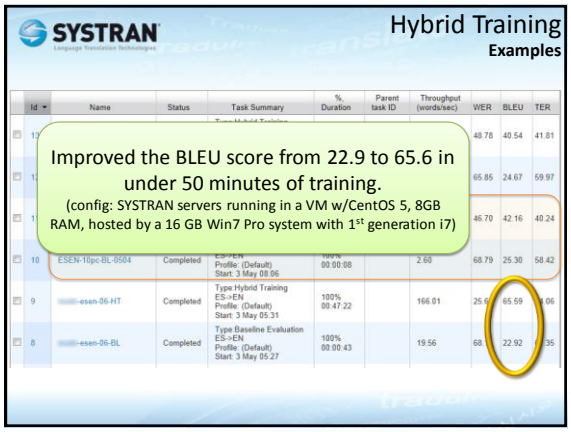
Hybrid Training

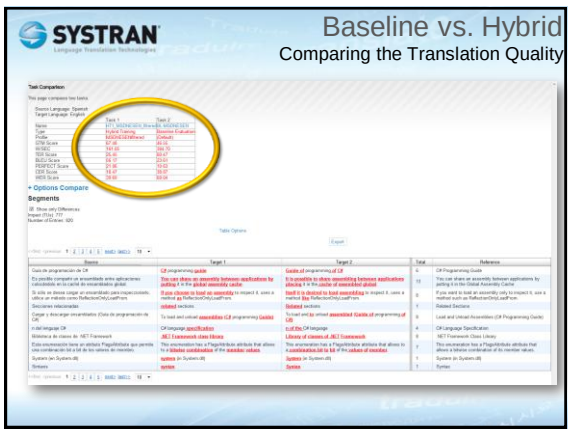
Running a Hybrid Training
an Example



Hybrid Training
Examples



Baseline vs. Hybrid
Comparing the Translation Quality



Publishing a Task
making it available

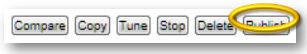
What you publish are the resources that the task created.
It publishes from Training Server to the Translation Server for further use in subsequent translations or further trainings!

Examples:

Publish the Extracted Terminology ➔ new Dictionaries

Publish the Validated Dictionaries ➔ filtered Dictionaries

Publish a Hybrid Training ➔ Translation Model



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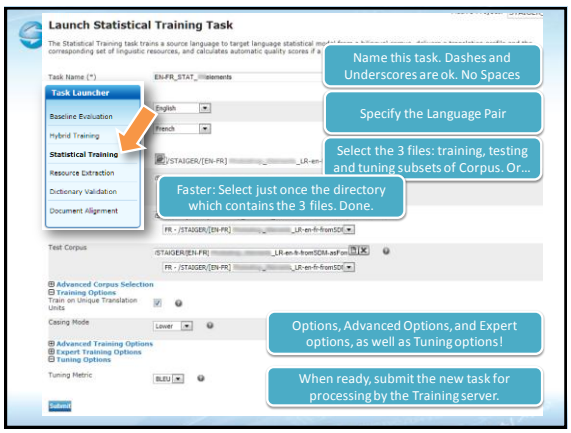
Statistical Training



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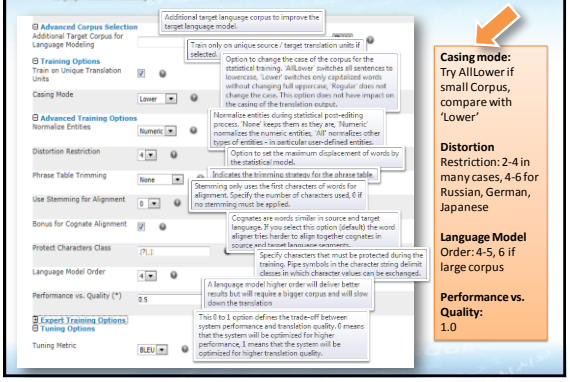
Advanced Options



Casing mode: Try AllLower if small Corpus, compare with 'Lower'

Distortion Restriction: 2-4 in many cases, 4-6 for Russian, German, Japanese

Language Model Order: 4-5, 6 if large corpus

Performance vs. Quality: 1.0

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Bilingual Terminology Extraction (BTE)

Automatic Creation of Dictionaries

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Resource Extraction

The Hybrid Engine Process

Where BTE can help

Source Analysis: Disambiguation of term categories (adjective, noun, verb,...) can improve and speed up the RBMT process.

Use of Terminology: single- and multi-word vocabulary placed in new dictionaries that will help the translation quality.

Target Disambiguation: Mono-lingual Language Models to further improve the fluency.

Purpose of Resource Extraction

What to expect from BTE

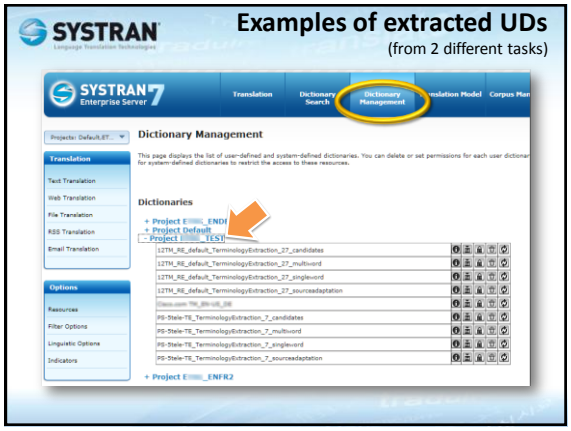
- Multi-word user dictionary ← perhaps the most valuable
- Single-word user dictionary
- Source adaptation dictionary
- Candidates (another UD)
  - Possibly more words, but you need to translate
- Target Language Model

➔ Add these resources to a Profile after publishing them back to the Translation server

After Running a BTE

What to do with it

- In a perfect world:
  - UDs are ready for use as is
  - Publish to Translation Server
  - Add new UDs to a new or existing Profile
  - Retrain: get better Translation model
- In the real world:
  - Some items in the extracted UDs may not help.
    - Filter them (run Dictionary Validation task)
  - Publish & Use the filtered versions
  - Export to csv for human review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Examples of extracted UDs
(from 2 different tasks)
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Dictionary Management
Corpus Man
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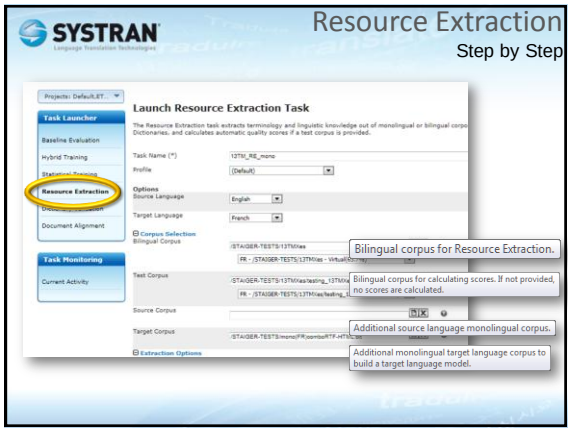
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Bilingual corpus for Resource Extraction.
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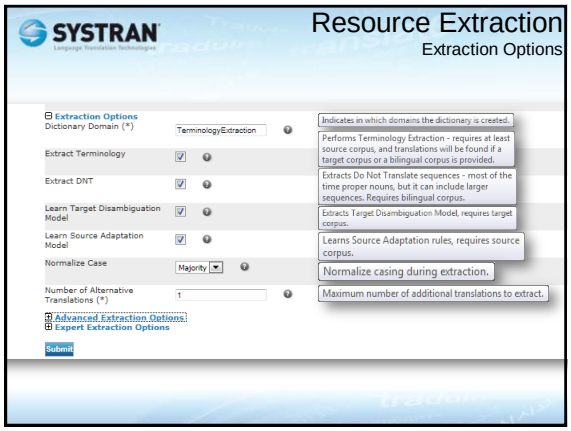
Additional source language monolingual corpus.
Additional monolingual target language corpus to build a target language model.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Resource Extraction
Extraction Options
Extraction Options
Dictionary Domain (*)
TerminologyExtraction
Indicates in which domains the dictionary is created.
Extract Terminology
Performs Terminology Extraction - requires at least source corpus, and translations will be found if a target corpus or a bilingual corpus is provided.
Extract DNT
Extracts Do Not Translate sequences - most of the time proper nouns, but it can include larger sequences. Requires bilingual corpus.
Learn Target Disambiguation Model
Extracts Target Disambiguation Model, requires target corpus.
Learn Source Adaptation Model
Learns Source Adaptation rules, requires source corpus.
Normalize Case
Majority
Normalize casing during extraction.
Number of Alternative Translations (*)
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Maximum number of additional translations to extract.
Advanced Extraction Options
Expert Extraction Options
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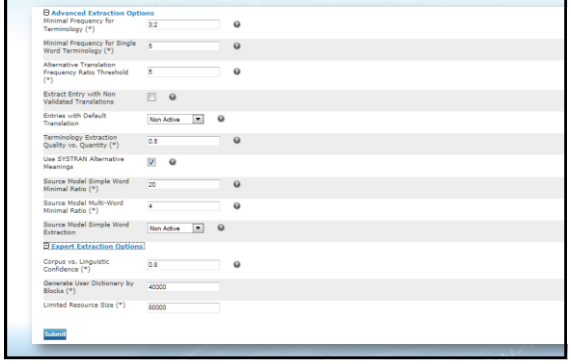
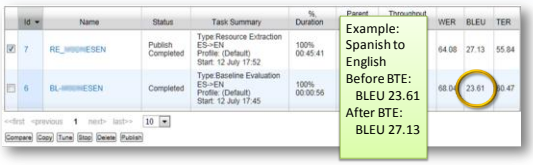
Resource Extraction

Advanced & Expert Options



BTE Example

BLEU Score Improvement

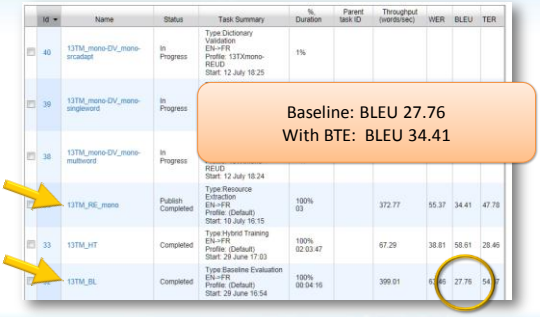


Example:
Spanish to English
Before BTE:
BLEU 23.61
After BTE:
BLEU 27.13

- With large sets, automatic resource extraction can often yield improvements of 3-8 points on BLEU score, sometimes even more.
- BTE is probably the most significant improvement that can be observed with relatively little manual work: no coding.
- Additional improvements observed when followed by dictionary validation (discussed later)

Another BTE Example

13 TMX's w/Monolingual Corpus



Baseline: BLEU 27.76
With BTE: BLEU 34.41

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Training Manager:

Dictionary Validation

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Dictionary Validation

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Do you Really Need DV?

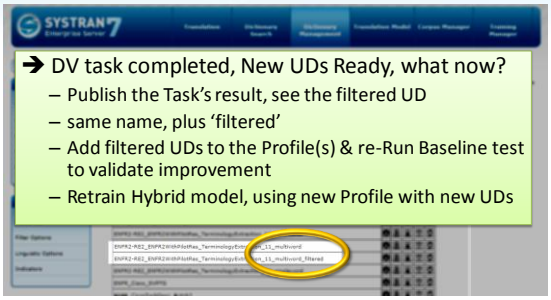
Can you trust your dictionary entries?

Problem: Some entries don't help the translation, make it worse
- Old / Outdated Entries / Out of Domain or Context
- Typos

Solution: Find which entries make it Better or Worse if enabled
- Run Dictionary Validation Task
- DV takes time and lots of memory
- For each entry in the dictionary:
  1. Finds all occurrences of the entry throughout the corpus
  2. Translates these occurrences: with and without the entry in use
  3. Metric: How many times was it Better, Same, Worse?
     - ➔ If most often it's Better with the entry enabled: enable it
     - ➔ If most often it's Worse with it enabled: disable it
     - ➔ If most often it's the same, don't change the entry's status

What to expect from DV

Filtered dictionaries

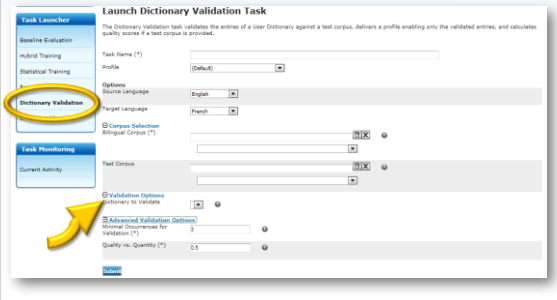


➔ DV task completed, New UDs Ready, what now?

- Publish the Task's result, see the filtered UD
- same name, plus 'filtered'
- Add filtered UDs to the Profile(s) & re-Run Baseline test to validate improvement
- Retrain Hybrid model, using new Profile with new UDs

Launching a DV task

Step-by-step



DV Recommendations

- Repeat DV for each dictionary that you'll want to use in future profiles and/or trainings, such as:
  - Your pre-existing dictionaries, especially old ones
  - New MultiTerm dictionaries that were never validated
  - Multiword from BTE
  - Singleword from BTE
- Resource Extraction can use a lot of resources. Use subset of corpus if too large
  - 100,000 – 200,000 entries in bilingual corpus is enough

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Putting it all together

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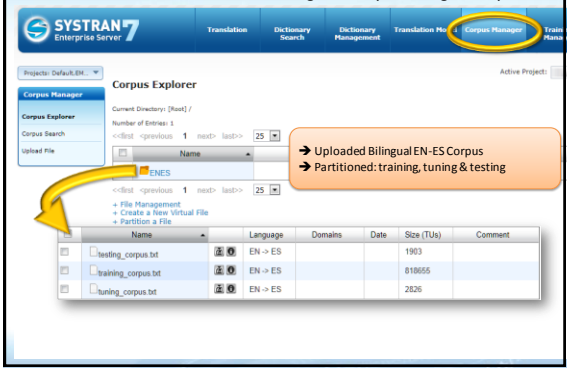
Complete Cycle (1/4)

Bilingual Corpus, English-Spanish



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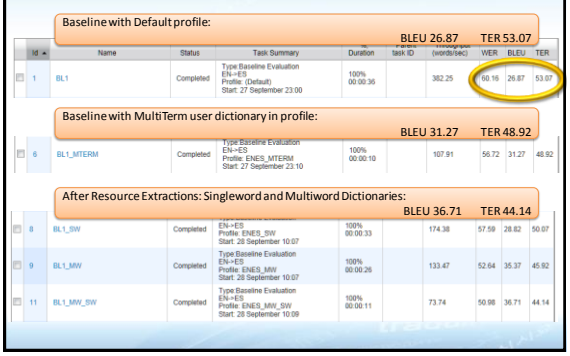
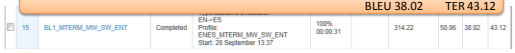
Complete Cycle (2/4)

Baseline tests & Resource Extraction

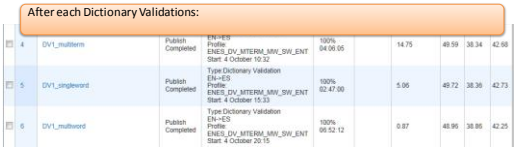


Complete Cycle (3/4)
Entity Recognition Rules & DV

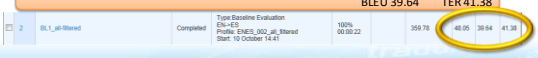
With Entity recognition rules added:
BLEU 38.02 TER 43.12



After each Dictionary Validations:



Using all filtered (DV) dictionaries and entity recognition rules:
BLEU 39.64 TER 41.38



Complete Cycle (4/4)
Hybrid Trainings

Hybrid training with all default settings & default profile

Hybrid training Fully customized profiles and settings

More than Doubled (!) the BLEU score

Original: BLEU 26.87 TER 53.05 → Final Trained Model: BLEU: 58.52 TER 26.20

Conclusion

This completes our exploration of how to increase localization efficiency with SYSTRAN Hybrid MT Products.

Here are some of the topics we've covered:

- Translation Profiles
- User Dictionaries (UD)
- Normalization Dictionaries (ND)
- Translation Memories (TM)
- Linguistic Resources
- Resource Extractions (BTE)
- Dictionary Validation (DV)
- Hybrid Training, Statistical Training