*t*Search: Flexible and Fast Search over Automatic Translations for Improved Quality/Error Analysis

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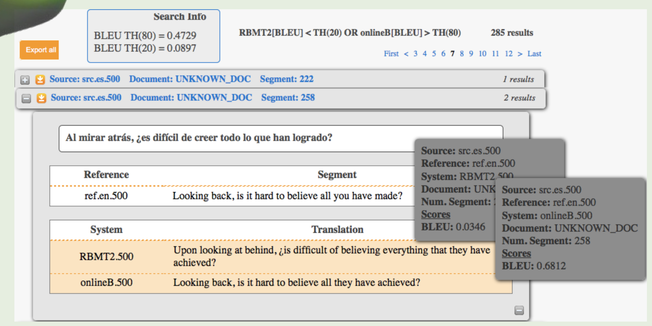
What does *t*Search do?

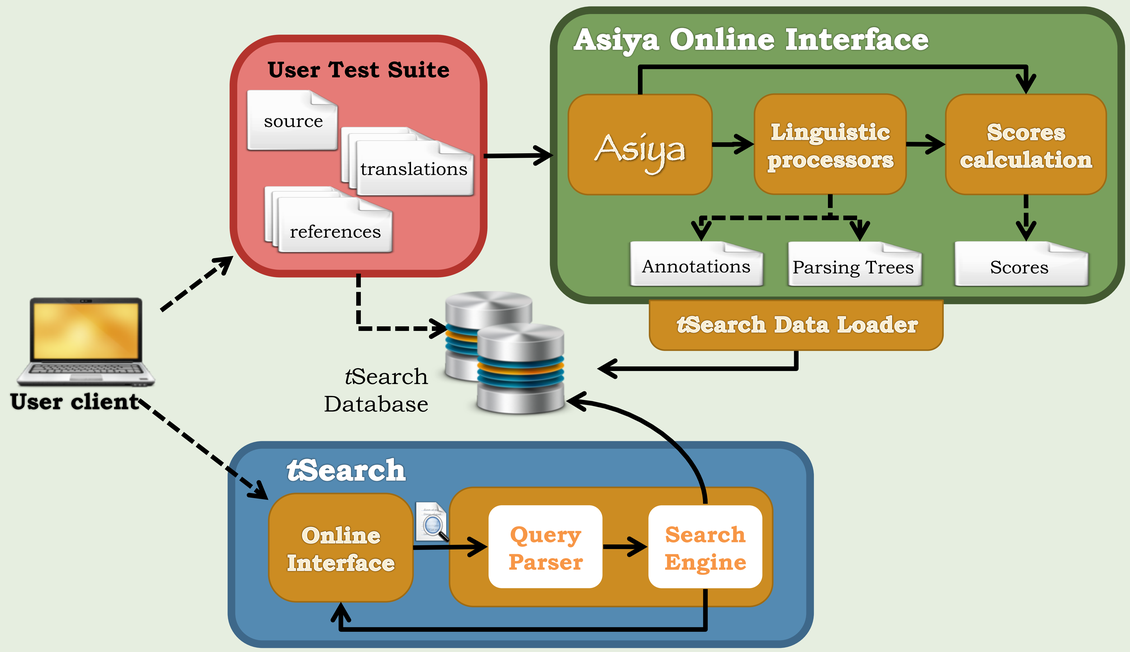
- ✓ The analysis of MT systems is complex. It becomes very hard when it involves several systems, a large set of diverse measures and a high number of sentences
- ✓ The following is an example taken from WMT2012 test set. It consists of: 12 systems and 3003 sentences

	GTH-UPM	RBMT2	onlineB	uk-dan-moses
BLEU	29.67	**22.88**	**38.90**	23.98
METEOR-pa	32.87	32.37	**36.60**	**29.65**
SP-Op(*)	46.22	42.17	**52.11**	**40.47**
SP-Oc(*)	49.01	43.58	**53.67**	**41.82**
CP-Oc(*)	45.77	41.43	**50.75**	**29.41**
CP-Oc(*)	43.22	37.59	**47.33**	**35.85**
DP-Oc(*)	32.80	28.69	**37.77**	**28.03**
DP-Or(*)	24.04	20.41	**27.75**	**19.07**
NE-Oe(*)	**30.10**	32.68	**38.59**	32.36
SR-Or(*)	23.52	18.71	**28.10**	**17.06**

- ✓ *t*Search speeds up the qualitative analysis of a testbed
- ✓ It helps to discover the translation errors and identify the system's weaknesses
- ✓ **Example**: *segments from RBMT2 having the lowest BLEU scores and from onlineB having the highest BLEU scores*



*t*Search Architecture



The *t*Query Language

- ✓ Queries can be applied at segment-, document- and/or system-level
- ✓ Creation of group of systems or metrics limit the search to certain types of systems (e.g., rule-based vs. statistical) or specific metrics (e.g., lexical vs. syntactic)

Query Type	Examples	Description
Arithmetic Comparison	➢ BLEU > 0.4	Operators: >, <, >=, <=, =
Statistical Functions	➢ BLEU > AVG ➢ BLEU > TH(40)	Precalculated statistical variables: average, median, min, max, percentiles [1..100], thresholds.
Range	➢ BLEU IN [0.2,0.3) ➢ BLEU IN Q(4) ➢ BLEU IN [TH(20),TH(30)]	In a range of values
Linguistic Elements	➢ LE[SP(NN), DP(conj), CP(PP)] ➢ LE[SP(Fz, VC, Vai)]	Llinguistic processor: shallow (SP), constiency (CP), dependency (DP), semantic (SR). Linguistic elements (LE): PoS, lemma, Nes, categories, relationships, roles and even N-grams
Logical Composition	➢ BLEU > 0.5 AND –PER < 0.7	Logical operators to concatenate several conditions
System- and document- level queries	➢ s_1:BLEU > 0.3 ➢ news:BLEU > 0.3 ➢ s_1:news:BLEU > 0.3	Segments from system s_1 translations (1) , from the news document (2), and both (3), having a BLEU score above 0.3
Groups of Systems and/or Metrics	➢ s_{rb}:LEX > AVG AND s_{rb}:SYN < AVG Where, s_{rb}={s_1, s_2}; LEX={BLEU, NIST} and SYN={CP-Op(*), SP-Oc(*)	Segments from s_{rb} having good scores for lexical measures and bad scores for syntactic measures, and same segments for s_3 having bad and good scores for lexical and syntactic measures, respectively.

The *t*Database

- ✓ **High volume** of data per testbed
- ✓ **High speed** response for complex queries
- ✓ NoSQL (Cassandra Apache)
- ✓ Data model based on Column Families
  CF = set of rows uniquely identified
- ✓ Each row have **a set of columns** as values

Scores CF

CF keys	CF values				
BLEU	**0.2**	**…**	**0.6**	**1.0**	
	s_1{seg3,seg5}, s_2{seg4}	…	s_1{seg8}	s_2{seg8}	
MTR-ex	**0.0**	**…**	**0.8**	**0.85**	**1.0**
	s_1{seg2}	…	s_1{seg6}, s_2{seg7}	s_2{seg5}	s_2{seg8}

Stats CF

CF keys	CF values							
	MIN	**MAX**	**AVG**	**MEDIAN**	**PERC(1)**	**..**	**PERC(50)**	**PERC(100)**
BLEU	0.0	1.0	0.34	0.27	0.0-0.1	…	0.34-0.36	0.99-1.0
MTR-ex	0.1	1.0	0.83	0.87	0.1-0.2	…	0.83-0.83	1.0-1.0

Linguistic Elements CF

CF keys	CF values					
SP	**DT**	**NN**	**VBZ**	**NNP**	**JJ**	
	s_1{seg1,seg2}, s_2{seg1,seg2}	s_2{seg1}	s_1{seg1,seg2}	…	s_2{seg1}	
CP	**ADJP**	**ADVP**	**CONJP**	**NP**	**PP**	**WHPP**
	s_1{seg3}	…	s_1{seg1}, s_2{seg2,seg5}	s_1{seg1,seg2,seg3}	s_2{seg1}	…
DP	**N_nsubj_V**	**D_nsubj_V**	**C_cc_V**	**I_prep_N**	**N_pobj_I**	**M_aux_V**
	s_1{seg1,seg2,seg3}	s_2{seg4}	s_1{seg1,seg2}	…	s_2{seg1}	s_2{seg1}
SR	**A0**	**A1**	**AM-TMP**	**AM-ADV**	**AM-LOC**	**R-AM-LOC**
	s_1{seg1}, s_2{seg2,seg5}	…	s_1{seg2}	s_1{seg1,seg2}, s_2{seg1,seg2}	s_2{seg1}	…

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