Recent Trends in Computer Aided Translation

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Overview



- A practical introduction: the CASMACAT workbench
- Postediting
- Types of assistance
- Logging, eye tracking and user studies

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CASMACAT Project 2011-2014



• Cognitive studies of translators leading to insights into interface design

 \rightarrow better understanding of translator needs

- Workbench with novel types of assistance to human translators
 - interactive translation prediction
 - interactive editing and reviewing
 - adaptive translation models

 \rightarrow better tools for translators

• Demonstration of effectiveness in field tests with professional translators

 \rightarrow increased translator productivity

Postediting Interface



Le Pakistan a donc été récompensé par l'assistance et les armes des États-Unis.		As a result, Pakistan was rewarded with American financial assistance and arms.
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Les opérations contre les forces des Talibans et d'Al-Qaeda ont obtenu des résultats mitigés.	>	

- Source on left, translation on right
- Context above and below

Confidence Measures



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		ITP T→ DRAFT TRANSLATED
Translation matches		
And on that the signs are mixed.		Y en que los indicios son desiguales.
		Source: ITP Fri Apr 12 2013 18:03:17 GMT+0200 (CEST) 42

- Sentence-level confidence measures
 → estimate usefulness of machine translation output
- Word-level confidence measures
 → point posteditor to words that need to be changed

Incremental Updating





Incremental Updating





Incremental Updating





Interactive Translation Prediction





Word Alignment





Word Alignment



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			visualization >>
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- With interactive translation prediction
- Shade off translated words, highlight next word to translate

Translation Option Array



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- Visual aid: non-intrusive provision of cues to the translator
- Clickable: click on target phrase \rightarrow added to edit area
- Automatic orientation
 - most relevant is next word to be translated
 - automatic centering on next word

Bilingual Concordancer



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Paraphrasing



un informe sobre	However, the European Central Bank (ECB) asked about it in a report on virtual currencies published in October.
Compite c	for "However" × ITP PARA T→ DRAFT TRANSLATED

How do we Know it Works?



- Intrinsic Measures
 - word level confidence: user does not change words generated with certainty
 - interactive prediction: user accepts suggestions
- User Studies
 - professional translators faster with post-editing
 - ... but like interactive translation prediction better
- Cognitive studies with eye tracking
 - where is the translator looking at?
 - what causes the translator to be slow?

Logging and Eye Tracking



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Home Edition



- Running CASMACAT on your desktop or laptop
- Installation
 - Installation software to run virtual machines (e.g., Virtualbox)
 - installation of Linux distribution
 (e.g., Ubuntu)
 - installation script sets up all the required software and dependencies



Administration through Web Browser





Administration

Translate

- Translate new document
- List documents

Engines

- Manage engines
- Upload engine
- Build new prototype

Settings

- <u>Reset CAT and MT server</u>
- <u>CAT Settings</u>
- <u>Update Software</u>

Deployed:	fr-en-upload-1				
Memory:	1.2 GB used, 6.6 GB free				
Disk:	12.9 GB used, 10.2 GB free				
Uptime:	22:24				
Load:	0.01, 0.05, 0.08				
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Training MT Engines

Build New Prototype

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Input language Greek



Output language English \$ Add o • Train MT engine on own or public data Corp Re-U Tunir Evalu

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Managing MT Engines



Manage Engines				
English-French				
Available Engines				
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part II

cat methods



post-editing

Productivity Improvements





(source: Autodesk)

MT Quality and Productivity



System	BLEU	Training	Training
		Sentences	Words (English)
MT1	30.37	14,700k	385m
MT2	30.08	7,350k	192m
MT3	29.60	3,675k	96m
MT4	29.16	1,837k	48m
MT5	28.61	918k	24m
MT6	27.89	459k	12m
MT7	26.93	230k	6.0m
MT8	26.14	115k	3.0m
MT9	24.85	57k	1.5m

- Same type of system (Spanish–English, phrase-based, Moses)
- Trained on varying amounts of data [Sanchez-Torron and Koehn, AMTA 2016]

MT Quality and Productivity



System	BLEU	Training	Training	Post-Editing
		Sentences	Words (English)	Speed
MT1	30.37	14,700k	385m	4.06 sec/word
MT2	30.08	7,350k	192m	4.38 sec/word
MT3	29.60	3,675k	96m	4.23 sec/word
MT4	29.16	1,837k	48m	4.54 sec/word
MT5	28.61	918k	24m	4.35 sec/word
MT6	27.89	459k	12m	4.36 sec/word
MT7	26.93	230k	6.0m	4.66 sec/word
MT8	26.14	115k	3.0m	4.94 sec/word
MT9	24.85	57k	1.5m	5.03 sec/word

- User study with professional translators
- Correlation between BLEU and post-editing speed?

MT Quality and Productivity





BLEU against PE speed and regression line with 95% confidence bounds +1 BLEU \leftrightarrow decrease in PE time of ~0.16 sec/word, or 3-4% speed-up

MT Quality and PE Quality





better MT \leftrightarrow fewer post-editing errors

Translator Variability



	HTER	Edit Rate	PE speed (spw)	MQM Score	Fail	Pass
TR1	44.79	2.29	4.57	98.65	10	124
TR2	42.76	3.33	4.14	97.13	23	102
TR3	34.18	2.05	3.25	96.50	26	106
TR4	49.90	3.52	2.98	98.10	17	120
TR5	54.28	4.72	4.68	97.45	17	119
TR6	37.14	2.78	2.86	97.43	24	113
TR7	39.18	2.23	6.36	97.92	18	112
TR8	50.77	7.63	6.29	97.20	19	117
TR9	39.21	2.81	5.45	96.48	22	113

• Higher variability between translators than between MT systems



confidence measures

("quality estimation")



- Machine translation engine indicates where it is likely wrong
- Different Levels of granularity
 - document-level (SDL's "TrustScore")
 - sentence-level
 - word-level

Sentence-Level Confidence



- Translators are used to "Fuzzy Match Score"
 - used in translation memory systems
 - roughly: ratio of words that are the same between input and TM source
 - if less than 70%, then not useful for post-editing
- We would like to have a similar score for machine translation
- Even better
 - estimation of post-editing time
 - estimation of from-scratch translation time
 - $\rightarrow\,$ can also be used for pricing
- Very active research area

Quality Estimation Shared Task



- Shared task organized at WMT since 2012
- Given
 - source sentence
 - machine translation
- Predict
 - human judgement of usefulness for post-editing (2012, 2014)
 - HTER score on post-edited sentences (2013–2016)
 - post-editing time (2013, 2014)
- Also task for word-level quality estimation (2014–2016) and document-level quality estimation (2015)





- Open source tool for quality estimation
- Source sentence features
 - number of tokens
 - language model (LM) probability
 - 1–3-grams observed in training corpus
 - average number of translations per word
- Similar target sentence features
- Alignment features
 - difference in number of tokens and characters
 - ratio of numbers, punctuation, nouns, verbs, named entities
 - syntactic similarity (POS tags, constituents, dependency relationships)
- Scores and properties of the machine translation derivation
- Uses Python's SCIKIT-LEARN implementation of SVM regression

WMT 2016: Best System



- Yandex School of Data Analysis (Kozlova et al., 2016)
- QuEst approach with additional features
 - syntactically motivated features
 - language model and statistics on web-scale corpus
 - pseudo-references and back-translations
 - other miscellaneous features
- Performance
 - mean average HTER difference 13.53
 - ranking correlation 0.525



word level confidence

Visualization



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• Highlight words less likely to be correct
Methods



- Simple methods quite effective
 - IBM Model 1 scores
 - posterior probability of the MT model
- Machine learning approach
 - similar features as for sentence-level quality estimation

Annotation



• Machine translation output

Quick brown fox jumps on the dog lazy.

• Post-editing

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.

• Annotation

Fastbrownfoxjumpsonthedoglazy.badgoodgoodgoodbadgoodgoodgoodgood

• Problems: dropped words? reordering?

Quality Requirements



- Evaluated in user study
- Feedback
 - could be useful feature
 - but accuracy not high enough
- To be truly useful, accuracy has to be very high
- Current methods cannot deliver this

WMT 2016: Best System



- Unbabel (Martins et al., 2016)
- Viewed as tagging task
- Features: black box and language model features
- Method: Combination of
 - feature-rich linear HMM model
 - deep neural networks (feed-forward, bi-directionally recurrent, convolutional)
- Performance
 - F-score for detecting good words: 88.45
 - F-score for detecting bad words: 55.99





Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator



Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator

He



Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator

He | has



Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator

He has | for months



Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator

He planned |



Input Sentence

Er hat seit Monaten geplant, im Oktober einen Vortrag in Miami zu halten.

Professional Translator

He planned | for months

Visualization



• Show *n* next words

Olvidarlo. Es demasiado		
	arriesgado. Estoy haciendo	

• Show rest of sentence

Spence Green's Lilt System



• Show alternate translation predictions



• Show alternate translations predictions with probabilities

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Search for best translation creates a graph of possible translations





One path in the graph is the best (according to the model) This path is suggested to the user





The user may enter a different translation for the first words We have to find it in the graph





We can predict the optimal completion (according to the model)

Speed of Algorithm





- Average response time based on length of the prefix and number of edits
- Main bottleneck is the string edit distance between prefix and path.

Word Completion



- Complete word once few letters are typed
- Example: predict *college* over *university*?
- User types the letter $u \rightarrow$ change prediction
- "Desperate" word completion: find any word that matches

Redecoding



- Translate the sentence again, enforce matching the prefix
- Recent work on this: Wuebker et al. [ACL 2016]

Models and Inference for Prefix-Constrained Machine Translation

Joern Wuebker, Spence Green, John DeNero, Saša Hasan Lilt, Inc. first_name@lilt.com

Minh-Thang Luong Stanford University lmthang@stanford.edu

Prefix-Matching Decoding



- Prefix-matching phase
 - only allow translation options that match prefix
 - prune based on target words matched
- Ensure that prefix can be created by system
 - add synthetic translation options from word aligned prefix (but with low probability)
 - no reordering limit
- After prefix is match, regular beam search
- Fast enough?
 - \Rightarrow Wuebker et al. [ACL 2016] report 51-89ms per sentence

Tuning



- Optimize to produce better predictions
- Focus on next few words, not full sentence
- Tuning metric
 - prefix BLEU (ignoring prefix to measure score)
 - word prediction accuracy
 - length of correctly predicted suffix sequence
- Generate diverse n-best list to ensure learnability
- Wuebker et al. [ACL 2016] report significant gains



- Recent success of neural machine translation
- For instance, attention model



Neural MT: Sequential Prediction



• The model produces words in sequence

 $p(\text{output}_t | \{\text{output}_1, \cdots, \text{output}_{t-1}\}, \hat{\text{input}}) = g(\text{output}_{t-1}, \text{context}_t, \text{hidden}_t)$

• Translation prediction: feed in user prefix

Example



Input: Das Unternehmen sagte, dass es in diesem Monat mit Bewerbungsgesprächen beginnen wird und die Mitarbeiterzahl von Oktober bis Dezember steigt.

	Correct	Prediction	Prediction probability distribution
✓	the	the	the (99.2%)
\checkmark	company	company	company (90.9%) , firm (7.6%)
\checkmark	said	said	said (98.9%)
\checkmark	it	it	it (42.6%), this (14.0%), that (13.1%), job (2.0%), the (1.7%),
\checkmark	will	will	will (77.5%), is (4.5%), started (2.5%), 's (2.0%), starts (1.8%),
\checkmark	start	start	start (49.6%), begin (46.7%)
	inter@@	job	job (16.1%), application (6.1%), en@@ (5.2%), out (4.8%),
X	viewing	state	state (32.4%), related (5.8%), viewing (3.4%) , min@@ (2.0%),
X	applicants	talks	talks (61.6%), interviews (6.4%), discussions (6.2%),
\checkmark	this	this	this (88.1%) , so (1.9%), later (1.8%), that (1.1%)
\checkmark	month	month	month (99.4%)
X	1	and	and (90.8%), , (7.7%)
X	with	and	and (42.6%), increasing (24.5%), rising (6.3%), with (5.1%) ,
\checkmark	staff	staff	staff (22.8%), the (19.5%), employees (6.3%), employee (5.0%),
X	levels	numbers	numbers (69.0%), levels (3.3%) , increasing (3.2%),
X	rising	increasing	increasing (40.1%), rising (35.3%) , climbing (4.4%), rise (3.4%),
\checkmark	from	from	from (97.4%)
\checkmark	October	October	October (81.3%) , Oc@@ (12.8%), oc@@ (2.9%), Oct (1.2%)
×	through	to	to (73.2%), through (15.6%) , until (8.7%)
\checkmark	December	December	December (85.6%) , Dec (8.0%), to (5.1%)
\checkmark			. (97.5%)

Knowles and Koehn [AMTA 2016]



• Better prediction accuracy, even when systems have same BLEU score (state-of-the-art German-English systems, compared to search graph matching)

System	Configuration	BLEU	Word	Letter	
			Prediction	Prediction	
			Accuracy	Accuracy	
Neural	no beam search	34.5	61.6%	86.8%	
	beam size 12	36.2	63.6%	87.4%	
Phrase-based	-	34.5	43.3%	72.8%	

Recovery from Failure



• Ratio of words correct after first failure

System	Configuration	1	2	3	4	5
Neural	no beam search	55.9%	61.8%	61.3%	62.2%	61.1%
	beam size 12	58.0%	62.9%	62.8%	64.0%	61.5%
Phrase-based	-	28.6%	45.5%	46.9%	47.4%	48.4%

• Depending on probability of user word (neural, no beam)



Patching Translations



- Decoding speeds
 - translation speed with CPU: 100 ms/word
 - translation speed with GPU: 7ms/word
- To stay within 100ms speed limit
 - predict only a few words ahead (say, 5, in 5×7 ms=35ms)
 - patch new partial prediction with old full sentence prediction
 - uses KL divergence to find best patch point in ± 2 word window
- May compute new full sentence prediction in background, return as update
- Only doing quick response reduces word prediction accuracy $61.6\% \rightarrow 56.4\%$



translation options

Translation Option Array



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- Visual aid: non-intrusive provision of cues to the translator
- Trigger passive vocabulary

How to Rank



- Basic idea: best options on top
- Problem: how to rank word translation vs. phrase translations?
- Method: utilize future cost estimates
- Translation score
 - sum of translation model costs
 - language model estimate
 - outside future cost estimate



Improving Rankings



• Removal of duplicates and near duplicates

bad	good
erupted	climbing
ausbrach	Klettern
ausbrach,	Bergsteigen
platzte	Aufstieg
Ausbruch	abhalten,
ausgebrochen	Erklimmen
ausgebrochen ist	beim Besteigen

Ranking by likelihood to be used in the translation
 → can this be learned from user feedback?

Enabling Monolingual Translators



- Monolingual translator
 - wants to understand a foreign document
 - has no knowledge of foreign language
 - uses a machine translation system
- Questions
 - Is current MT output sufficient for understanding?
 - What else could be provided by a MT system?

Example



• MT system output:

The study also found that one of the genes in the improvement in people with prostate cancer risk, it also reduces the risk of suffering from diabetes.

- What does this mean?
- Monolingual translator:

The research also found that one of the genes *increased people's risk of prostate* cancer, but at the same time lowered people's risk of diabetes.

• Document context helps

Example: Arabic



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up to 10 translations for each word / phrase

Example: Arabic



يسحب	القوات	ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ	الاميركية	من	العراق
withdrawal of	comb	at troops	us	;	iraq
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Monolingual Translation with Options





No big difference — once significantly better

Monolingual Translation Triage



- Study on Russian–English (Schwartz, 2014)
- Allow monolingual translators to assess their translation
 - confident \rightarrow accept the translation
 - verify \rightarrow proofread by bilingual
 - partially unsure \rightarrow part of translation handled by bilingual
 - completely unsure \rightarrow handled by bilingual
- Monolingual translator highly effective in triage

Monolingual Translation: Conclusions



- Main findings
 - monolingual translators may be as good as bilinguals
 - widely different performance by translator / story
 - named entity translation critically important
- Various human factors important
 - domain knowledge
 - language skills
 - effort



logging and eye tracking

Logging functions



- Different types of events are saved in the logging.
 - configuration and statistics
 - start and stop session
 - segment opened and closed
 - text, key strokes, and mouse events
 - scroll and resize
 - search and replace
 - suggestions loaded and suggestion chosen
 - interactive translation prediction
 - gaze and fixation from eye tracker

Logging functions



- In every event we save:
 - Туре
 - In which element was produced
 - Time
- Special attributes are kept for some types of events
 - Diff of a text change
 - Current cursor position
 - Character looked at
 - Clicked UI element
 - Selected text
- \Rightarrow Full replay of user session is possible

Keystroke Log



Input: Au premier semestre, l'avionneur a livré 97 avions. Output: The manufacturer has delivered 97 planes during the first half.



black: keystroke, purple: deletion, grey: cursor move height: length of sentence

Example of Quality Judgments



- Sans se démonter, il s'est montré concis et précis. Src.
- Without dismantle, it has been concise and accurate. MT
- Without fail, he has been concise and accurate. (Prediction+Options, L2a) 1/3
- Without getting flustered, he showed himself to be concise and precise. 4/0(Unassisted. L2b)
- 4/0Without falling apart, he has shown himself to be concise and accurate. (*Postedit*, L2c)
- Unswayable, he has shown himself to be concise and to the point. (*Options*, L2d) 1/3
- Without showing off, he showed himself to be concise and precise. 0/4(*Prediction*, L2e)
- Without dismantling himself, he presented himself consistent and precise. 1/3

(*Prediction+Options, L1a*)

(*Options*, L1d)

- (Unassisted, L1b) 2/2He showed himself concise and precise. (*Postedit*, L1c)
- 3/1Nothing daunted, he has been concise and accurate.
- Without losing face, he remained focused and specific. 3/1
- Without becoming flustered, he showed himself concise and precise. (Prediction, L1e) 3/1

Main Measure: Productivity



Assistance	Speed	Quality
Unassisted	4.4s/word	47% correct
Postedit	2.7s (-1.7s)	55% (+8%)
Options	3.7s (-0.7s)	51% (+4%)
Prediction	3.2s (-1.2s)	54% (+7%)
Prediction+Options	3.3s (-1.1s)	53% (+6%)

Faster and Better, Mostly



User	Unassisted	Pos	stedit	Ор	tions	Pred	liction	Predict	ion+Options
L1a	3.3sec/word	1.2s	-2.2s	2.3s	-1.0s	1.1s	-2.2s	2.4s	-0.9s
	23% correct	39%	+16%)	45%	+22%	30%	+7%)	44%	+21%
L1b	7.7sec/word	4.5s	-3.2s)	4.5s	-3.3s	2.7s	-5.1s	4.8s	-3.0s
	35% correct	48%	+13%	55%	+20%	61%	+26%	41%	+6%
L1c	3.9sec/word	1.9s	-2.0s	3.8s	-0.1s	3.1s	-0.8s	2.5s	-1.4s
	50% correct	61%	+11%	54%	+4%	64%	+14%	61%	+11%
L1d	2.8sec/word	2.0s	-0.7s	2.9s	(+0.1s)	2.4s	(-0.4s)	1.8s	-1.0s
	38% correct	46%	+8%	59%	(+21%)	37%	(-1%)	45%	+7%
L1e	5.2sec/word	3.9s	-1.3s	4.9s	(-0.2s)	3.5s	-1.7s	4.6s	(-0.5s)
	58% correct	64%	+6%	56%	(-2%)	62%	+4%	56%	(-2%)
L2a	5.7sec/word	1.8s	-3.9s	2.5s	-3.2s	2.7s	-3.0s	2.8s	-2.9s
	16% correct	50%	+34%	34%	+18%	40%	+24%	50%	+34%
L2b	3.2sec/word	2.8s	(-0.4s)	3.5s	+0.3s	6.0s	+2.8s	4.6s	+1.4s
	64% correct	56%	(-8%)	60%	-4%	61%	-3%	57%	-7%
L2c	5.8sec/word	2.9s	-3.0s	4.6s	(-1.2s)	4.1s	-1.7s	2.7s	-3.1s
	52% correct	53%	+1%	37%	(-15%)	59%	+7%	53%	+1%
L2d	3.4sec/word	3.1s	(-0.3s)	4.3s	(+0.9s)	3.8s	(+0.4s)	3.7s	(+0.3s)
	49% correct	49%	(+0%)	51%	(+2%)	53%	(+4%)	58%	(+9%)
L2e	2.8sec/word	2.6s	-0.2s	3.5s	+0.7s	2.8s	(-0.0s)	3.0s	+0.2s
	68% correct	79%	+11%	59%	-9%	64%	(-4%)	66%	-2%
avg.	4.4sec/word	2.7s	-1.7s	3.7s	-0.7s	3.2s	-1.2s	3.3s	-1.1s
	47% correct	55%	+8%	51%	+4%	54%	+7%	53%	+6%

Unassisted Novice Translators



only typing

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L1 = native French, L2 = native English, average time per input word typing, initial and final pauses

Unassisted Novice Translators





L1 = native French, L2 = native English, average time per input word

typing, initial and final pauses, short, medium, and long pauses most time difference on intermediate pauses



User: L1b	total	init-p	end-p	short-p	mid-p	big-p	key	click	tab
Unassisted	7.7s	1.3s	0.1s	0.3s	1.8s	1.9s	2.3s	-	-
Postedit	4.5s	1.5s	0.4s	0.1s	1.0s	0.4s	1.1s	-	-
Options	4.5s	0.6s	0.1s	0.4s	0.9s	0.7s	1.5s	0.4s	-
Prediction	2.7s	0.3s	0.3s	0.2s	0.7s	0.1s	0.6s	-	0.4s
Prediction+Options	4.8s	0.6s	0.4s	0.4s	1.3s	0.5s	0.9s	0.5s	0.2s



User: L1b	total	init-p	end-p	short-p	mid-p	big-p	key	click	tab
Unassisted	7.7s	1.3s	0.1s	0.3s	1.8s	1.9s	2.3s	-	-
Postedit	4.5s	1.5s	0.4s	0.1s	1.0s	0.4s	1.1s	-	-
Options	4.5s	0.6s	0.1s	0.4s	0.9s	0.7s	1.5s	0.4s	-
Prediction	2.7s	0.3s	0.3s	0.2s	0.7s	0.1s	0.6s	-	0.4s
Prediction+Options	4.8s	0.6s	0.4s	0.4s	1.3s	0.5s	0.9s	0.5s	0.2s

Slightly less time spent on typing



User: L1b	total	init-p	end-p	short-p	mid-p	big-p	key	click	tab
Unassisted	7.7s	1.3s	0.1s	0.3s	1.8s	1.9s	2.3s	-	-
Postedit	4.5s	1.5s	0.4s	0.1s	1.0s	0.4s	1.1s	-	-
Options	4.5s	0.6s	0.1s	0.4s	0.9s	0.7s	1.5s	0.4s	-
Prediction	2.7s	0.3s	0.3s	0.2s	0.7s	0.1s	0.6s	-	0.4s
Prediction+Options	4.8s	0.6s	0.4s	0.4s	1.3s	0.5s	0.9s	0.5s	0.2s

Less pausing Slightly less time spent on typing



User: L1b	total	init-p	end-p	short-p	mid-p	big-p	key	click	tab
Unassisted	7.7s	1.3s	0.1s	0.3s	1.8s	1.9s	2.3s	-	-
Postedit	4.5s	1.5s	0.4s	0.1s	1.0s	0.4s	1.1s	-	-
Options	4.5s	0.6s	0.1s	0.4s	0.9s	0.7s	1.5s	0.4s	-
Prediction	2.7s	0.3s	0.3s	0.2s	0.7s	0.1s	0.6s	-	0.4s
Prediction+Options	4.8s	0.6s	0.4s	0.4s	1.3s	0.5s	0.9s	0.5s	0.2s

Less pausing

Especially less time in big pauses Slightly less time spent on typing

Origin of Characters: Native French L1b



User: L1b	key	click	tab	mt
Postedit	18%	-	-	81%
Options	59%	40%	-	-
Prediction	14%	-	85%	-
Prediction+Options	21%	44%	33%	-

Origin of Characters: Native French L1b



User: L1b	key	click	tab	mt
Postedit	18%	-	-	81%
Options	59%	40%	-	-
Prediction	14%	-	85%	-
Prediction+Options	21%	44%	33%	-

Translation comes to large degree from assistance

Pauses Reconsidered



- Our classification of pauses is arbitrary (2-6sec, 6-60sec, >60sec)
- Extreme view: all you see is pauses
 - keystrokes take no observable time
 - all you see is pauses between action points
- Visualizing range of pauses:

time *t* spent in pauses $p \in P$ up to a certain length *l*

$$sum(t) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{p \in P, l(p) \le t} l(p)$$

Results





Learning Effects



Users become better over time with assistance



Learning Effects: Professional Translators 94



CASMACAT longitudinal study Productivity projection as reflected in Kdur taking into account six weeks

(Kdur = user activity excluding pauses > 5 secods)

Eye Tracking





- Eye trackers extensively used in cognitive studies of, e.g., reading behavior
- Overcomes weakness of key logger: what happens during pauses
- Fixation: where is the focus of the gaze
- Pupil dilation: indicates degree of concentration

Eye Tracking



• Problem: Accuracy and precision of gaze samples



Gaze-to-Word Mapping



• Recorded gaze lacations and fixations

Right eye gaze samples



Left eye yaze san

• Gaze-to-word mapping

Families hit with increase in cost of living British families have to cough up an extra £31,300 a year as food in supermarkets have climbed at an alarming rate over the past y still, making it hard for the Bank of England to cut interest rates control. To make matters worse, escalating prices are racing ahe healthcare professionals, who have suffered from the governmen below-inflation salary increases. In addition to fuel and food, elec

Logging and Eye Tracking



focus on target word (green) or source word (blue) at position *x*

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• User style 1: Verifies translation just based on the target text, reads source text to fix it





• User style 2: Reads source text first, then target text





• User style 3: Makes corrections based on target text only







• User style 4: As style 1, but also considers previous segment for corrections

Users and User Styles



	Style 1			Style 2			Style 3			Style 4			
	targ	get / so	ource-fix	sou	source-target			target only			wider context		
	Р	PI	PIA	P	PI	PIA	P	PI	PIA	P	PI	PIA	
P02	*	*	*	•	•	•	•			•	٠	•	
P03													
P04	٠	*	*				*	٠	•	•	٠	•	
P05	٠	•	•				*	*	*	•	٠	•	
P07	*	*	*				•	٠	•	•	٠	•	
P08	*	*	*	•	•	٠				•	٠	•	
P09	•	•	•				*	*	*	•	٠	٠	

- Individual users employ different user styles
- But: consistently across different types of assitance (P = post-editing, PI = interactive post-editing, PIA = interactive post-editing with additional annotations)

Backtracking



- Local backtracking
 - Immediate repetition: the user immediately returns to the same segment (e.g. AAAA)
 - Local alternation: user switches between adjacent segments, often singly (e.g. ABAB) but also for longer stretches (e.g. ABC-ABC).
 - **Local orientation**: very brief reading of a number of segments, then returning to each one and editing them (e.g. ABCDE-ABCDE).
- Long-distance backtracking
 - Long-distance alternation: user switches between the current segment and different previous segments (e.g. JCJDJFJG)
 - Text final backtracking: user backtracks to specific segments after having edited all the segments at least once
 - **In-text long distance backtracking**: instances of long distance backtracking as the user proceeds in order through the text.

Thank You



questions?