PHINC: A Parallel Hinglish Social Media Code-Mixed Corpus for Machine Translation

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Motivation

Hinglish sentence	Google Translate	Bing Translate	Correct translation
kitna achha din hai, I could not have asked for isse achha	What a great day, Mr. Kud Note has asked for better than this	How much acha is the day, e-coused not how many asked for it achha	What a great day, I could not have asked for better than this
par if its possible and any other guest needs a room , mera room de de kisi ko bhi	par if its possible and any other guest needs a room, mera room de de kisi ko bhi	On if its possible egg any other guest needs coming room , my room day to anyone	but if it is possible and any other guest needs a room, give my room to anyone

Table 1:Hinglish (code-mixed Hindi-English) to English translation. The red marked phrases are incorrectly translated in addition to other grammatical errors.

Challenges with Code-Mixed Machine Translation

Challenge	Example(s)	
C1: Ambiguity in language identification	'is', 'me', 'to'	
C2: Spelling variations	<i>ʻjaldi</i> ', <i>ʻjldi</i> ', ʻjaldiii'	
C3: Named entity recognition	'Bhartiya Janta Party'	
C4: Informal style of writing	'Sad kabhi dekha h usko me never'	
C5: Misplaced/skipped punctuation	'Aap kb se cricket khelne lagenever saw u bfr'	
C6: Missing context	'Note kr lijiye Bandi chal rahi h'	

Table 2:We identify six major reasons for the failure of machine translation systems on the code-mixed data.

Previous Work

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English sentences	✓	×
Spelling variations	✓	×
Short sentences	✓	×
Ambiguous sentences	✓	×
Abusive sentences	✓	×
Total sentences	6,096	13,738

Dataset

Dataset Source	Task	Platform	Dataset Size	Topics/Focus areas
Singh et al.	Named-entity recognition	Twitter	3,638	Politics, social events, sports, etc.
Swami et al.	Sarcasm detection	Twitter	5,250	Bollywood, cricket, and politics
Joshi et al.	Sentiment analysis	Facebook	3,879	Bollywood and politics
Barman et al.	Language identification	Facebook	771	Not available
Shete et al.	Sentiment analysis	Facebook	7,663	Politics, news articles, etc.
Khandelwal	Humor detection	Twitter	31,033	Not available
PHINC	Machine translation	Twitter & Facebook	13,738	Sports, politics, Bollywood, etc.

Table 4:We use six source datasets [5, 6, 3, 1, 7, 4] to create PHINC. We preprocess these datasets to remove short, monolingual, and low code-mixed sentences. Annotators do not provide translations for English, abusive, or ambiguous sentences.

Translation Augmentation Pipeline

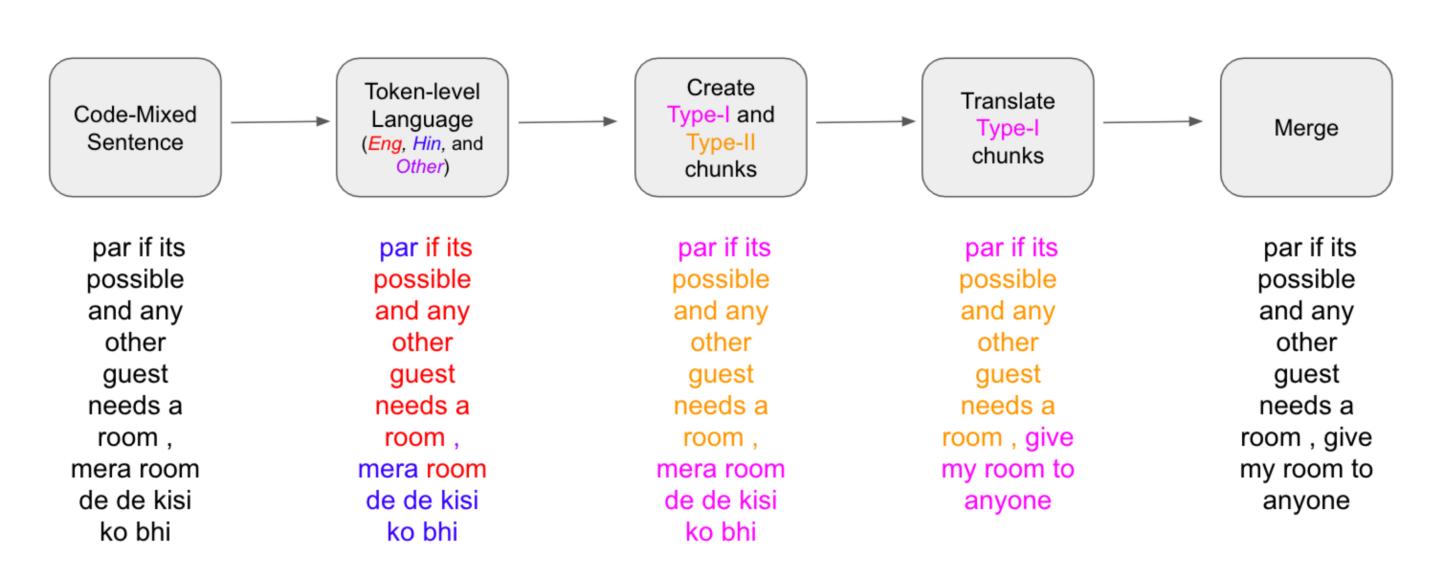


Figure 1:An example translation using the proposed pipeline build on top of Google Translate (PPGT).

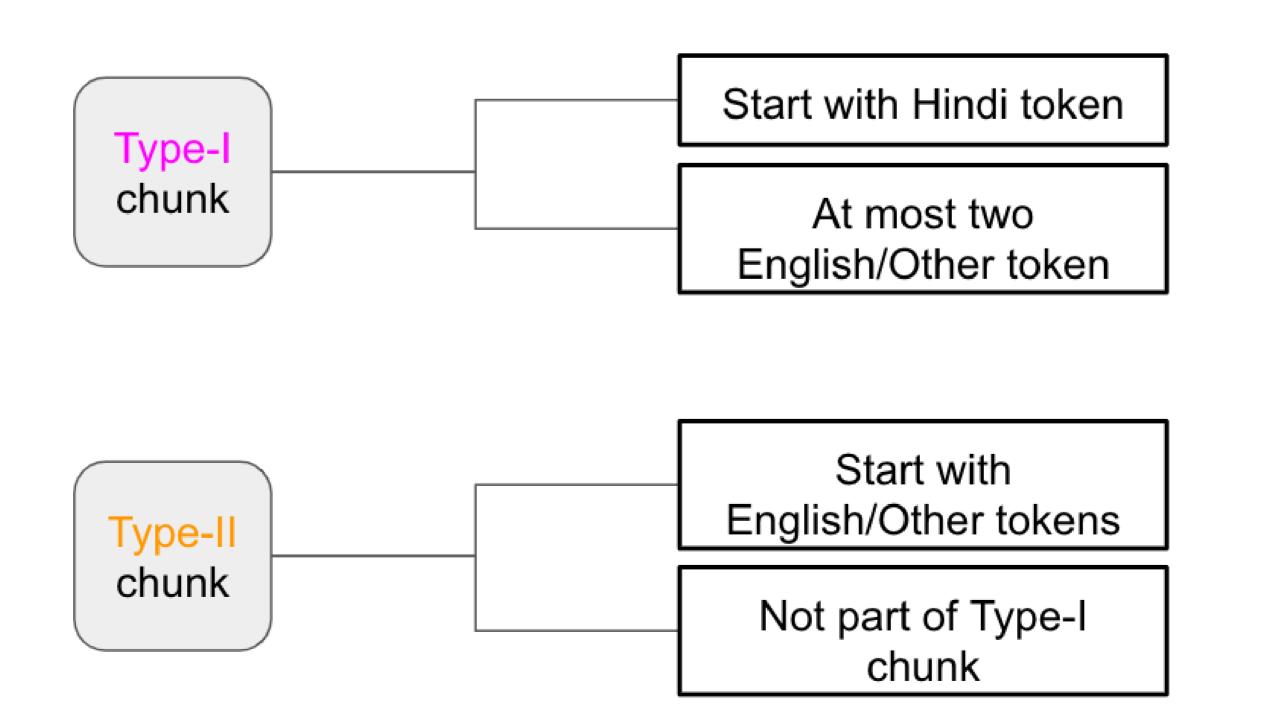


Figure 2:The criteria to create Type-I and Type-II chunks for the PPGT based code-mixed machine translation.

Results

CODE-MIXED SENTENCE: ab voh bola jisne kisi bhi party ko support karne se mana kardiya tha . . a flop show annaji

TYPE-I CHUNKS: [ab voh bola jisne kisi bhi party ko support karne se mana kardiya tha]

TYPE-II CHUNKS: [. . a flop show annaji]

ENGLISH TRANSLATION USING BT: Now Woh spoke, which was considered to support any party... Come Flop Show Annaji

ENGLISH TRANSLATION USING GT: Now say that he had a desire to support any party. . A flop show Anna

ENGLISH TRANSLATION USING PPGT: Now speak that who had refused to support any party . . a flop show annaji

Figure 3:Example translation of the Hinglish sentence using Google Translate (GT), Bing Translate (BT), and PPGT.

	BLEU-1	WER	TER
BT	0.146	0.751	0.885
GT	0.151	0.600	0.718
PPGT	0.153	0.566	0.685

Table 5:Comparison of performance evaluation of various machine translation systems on the PHINC dataset.

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