



#### Introduction to NLP

**Summarization Evaluation** 



#### **Evaluation Criteria**

- Appropriate length
- Fidelity
- Salience
- Grammaticality
- Non-redundancy
- Referential well-formedness
- Structure and coherence



#### **Ideal Evaluation**

#### Information content

$$C = Compression Ratio = \frac{|S|}{|D|}$$

R = Retention Ratio = 
$$\frac{I(S)}{I(D)}$$



#### **Types Of Evaluation Methods**

- Extrinsic techniques (task-based)
  - Can you make the same decision using the summary as with the full text, but in less time
- Intrinsic techniques
  - Comparing summaries against gold standards





#### **Precision and Recall**

	Relevant	Non-
		relevant
System:	Α	В
relevant		
System: non-	С	D
relevant		

Precision: 
$$P = \frac{A}{A+B}$$

Recall: 
$$R = \frac{A}{A+C}$$

$$F = \frac{2PR}{(P+R)}$$



### Rouge (Lin and Hovy 2003)

- Very convenient for prototyping
- Based on Papineni et al's BLEU (used for MT)
- R stands for Recall
- ROUGE-n is a measure of n-gram overlap between a summary and a set of reference summaries
- ROUGE-L uses longest common subsequence instead of n-gram overlap
- Correlated with manual evaluations when averaged over many examples
- It can be easily gamed



#### Relative Utility (Radev et al. 2000)

	Ideal	System 1	System 2
<b>S</b> 1	+	+	-
S2	+	+	+
S3	-	ı	-
<b>S4</b>	-	ı	+
S5	-	-	-
S6	-	-	-
<b>S</b> 7	-		-
S8	ı	ı	ı
S9	-	ı	•
S10	-	-	-

	Ideal	System 1	System 2
S1	10(+)	10(+)	5
S2	8(+)	9(+)	8(+)
S3	2	3	4
S4	7	6	9(+)

*U(system, ideal)*= % of ideal utility covered by system summary



## **Relative Utility**

		RU = 17 ×	
	Judge1	Judge2	Judge3
Sentence 1	10	10	5
Sentence 2	8	9	8
Sentence 3	2	3	4
Sentence 4	5	6	9



# **Relative Utility**

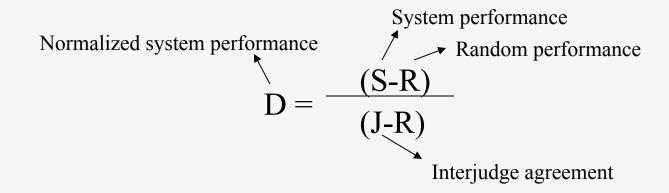
$$RU = \frac{13}{17} = 0.765$$

	Judge1	Judge2	Judge3
Sentence 1	10	10	(5)
Sentence 2	8	9	8
Sentence 3	2	3	4
Sentence 4	5	6	9



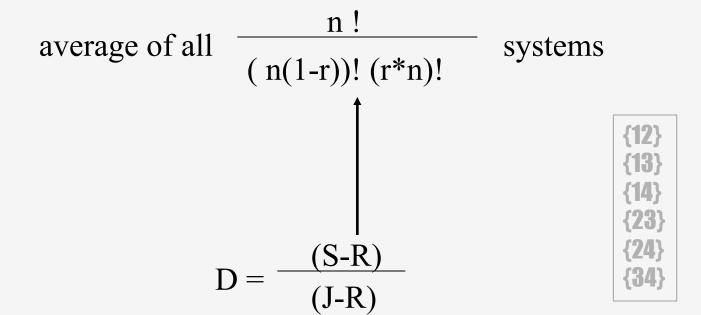
#### Normalized System Performance

	Judge 1	Judge 2	Judge 3	Average
Judge 1	1.000	1.000	0.765	0.883
Judge 2	1.000	1.000	0.765	0.883
Judge 3	0.722	0.789	1.000	0.756





#### **Random Performance**





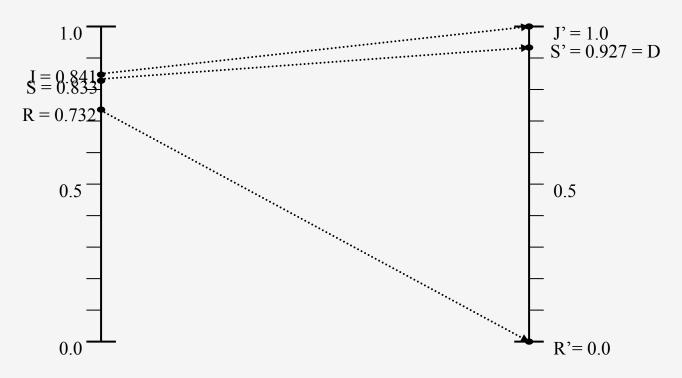
### Example

D {14} = 
$$\frac{\text{(S-R)}}{\text{(J-R)}} = \frac{0.833 - 0.732}{0.841 - 0.732} = 0.927$$

$$D \{24\} = 0.963$$



#### Normalized Evaluation of {14}





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- 3. It contained the bodies of people killed last year during a wedding ceremony, according to Le Quotidien Liberte.
- 4. The victims included women, children and old men.
- 5. Most of them had been decapitated and their heads thrown on a road, reported the Es Sahafa.
- 6. Another mass grave containing the bodies of around 10 people was discovered recently near Algiers, in the Eucalyptus district.
- 7. The two shepherds were killed Monday evening by a group of nine armed Islamists near the Moulay Slissen forest.
- 8. After being injured in a hail of automatic weapons fire, the pair were finished off with machete blows before being decapitated, Le Quotidien d'Oran reported.
- 9. Seven people, six of them children, were killed and two injured Wednesday by armed Islamists near Medea, 120 kilometers (75 miles) south of Algiers, security forces said.
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- 4. Extremist Muslim militants were responsible for the slaughter of the seven people in the province of Medea, 120 kilometers (74 miles) south of Algiers.
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## Subsumption and Equivalence

 Subsumption: If the information content of sentence a (denoted as I(a)) is contained within sentence b, then a becomes informationally redundant and the content of b is said to subsume that of a: I(a) ⊂ I(b)

• Equivalence: If  $I(a) \subset I(b) \land I(b) \subset I(a)$ 



## Subsumption

- (1) John Doe was found guilty of the murder.
- (2) The court found John Doe guilty of the murder of Jane Doe last August and sentenced him to life.





# Subsumption

	Article 1	Article 2	Article 3
S1	10	→10	5
S2	8	9	8
S3	2	3	<b>~</b> 4
<b>S4</b>	7	6	<b>→</b> 9



## Subsumption (Cont'd)

SCORE (s) = 
$$\Sigma_i (w_c C_i + w_p P_i + w_f F_i)_w W_R R_s$$

$$R_s = cross-sentence word overlap$$

$$R_s = 2 * (\# overlapping words) / (\# words in sentence 1 + \# words in sentence 2)$$

$$W_R = Max_s (SCORE(s))$$



## **Pyramid**

- Nenkova and Passonneau 2004
- Based on Semantic Content Units (SCU)
- Used for multi-document summarization
- Different surface realizations with equivalent meanings



## **Pyramid**

A1 In 1998 two Libyans indicted in 1991 for the Lockerbie bombing were still in Libya.

B1 Two Libyans were indicted in 1991 for blowing up a Pan Am jumbo jet over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988.

C1 Two Libyans, accused by the United States and Britain of bombing a New York bound Pan Am jet over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988, killing 270 people, for 10 years were harbored by Libya who claimed the suspects could not get a fair trail in America or Britain.

D2 Two Libyan suspects were indicted in 1991.

SCU1 (w=4): two Libyans were officially accused of the Lockerbie bombing

A1 [two Libyans]1 [indicted]1

B1 [Two Libyans were indicted]1

C1 [Two Libyans,]1 [accused]1

D2 [Two Libyan suspects were indicted]1

SCU2 (w=3): the indictment of the two Lockerbie suspects was in 1991

A1 [in 1991]2

B1 [in 1991]2

D2 [in 1991.]2

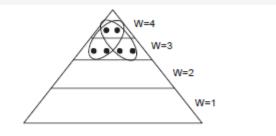


Figure 2: Two of six optimal summaries with 4 SCUs





### **Available Corpora**

- DUC and TAC corpora
  - http://duc.nist.gov
  - http://tac.nist.gov
- SummBank corpus
  - http://www.summarization.com/summbank
- SUMMAC corpus
- NY Times corpus (from LDC)

