

Evaluating Temporal Persistence of Information Retrieval Models at CLEF 2024 LongEval-Retrieval Track

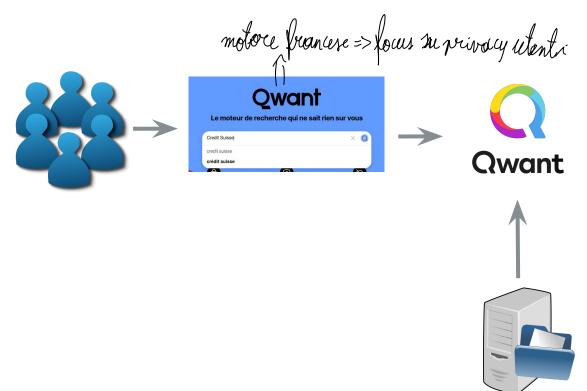
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Web Retrieval





Evolving Collection (Queries)

ricerche e sollerioni combicano con tempo









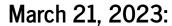
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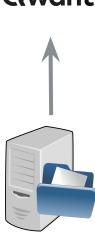


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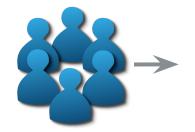


- 1) Paul Grant
- 2) Muriel Robin Pierre Palmade
- 3) Bruno Martini
- 4) Actualite
- 5) Robbie Williams



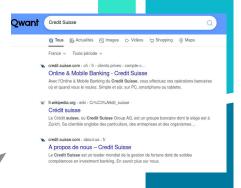


Evolving Collection (Documents)









March 20, 2023:

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Barricades à Rennes : « Si on bloque pas, on n'arrivera à rien »







Changes in the IR Framework

- Topics
 - Trends in the topics
- Documents
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 - Content of the documents changes
 - Documents are removed from the index
- Relevance assessments
 - Trends is general interests (what is considered to be relevant)
 - Subjective relevance for users

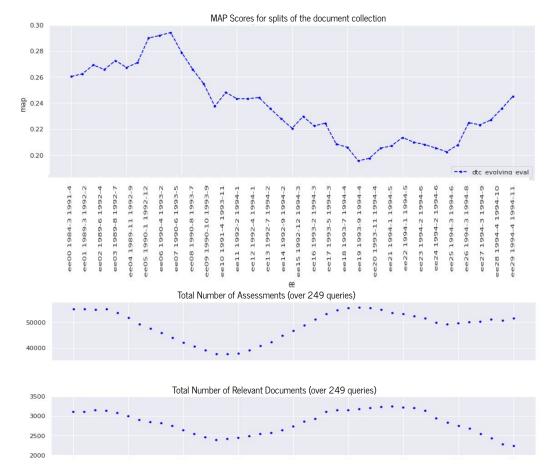
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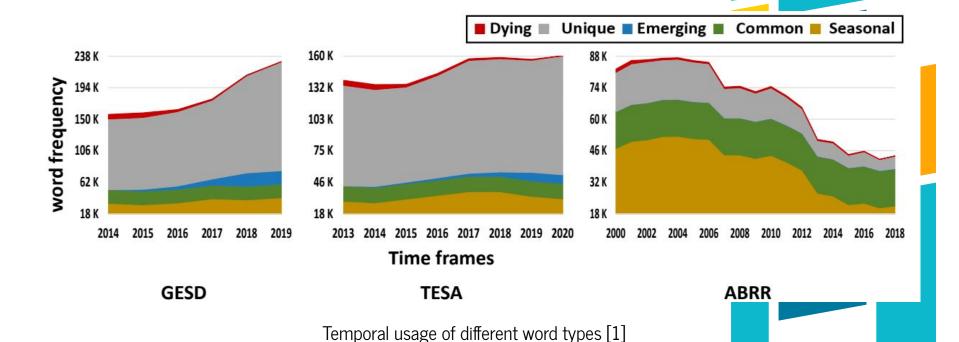
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Evolution and IR Performance



Evolving Vocabulary

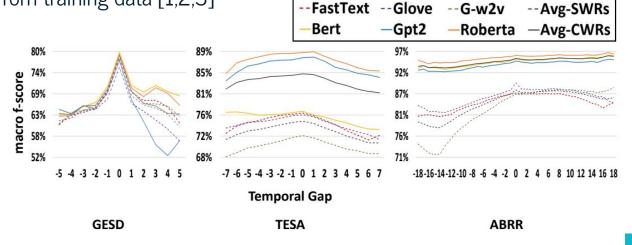


Evolution and Neural Models

The performance of **neural models** in **Text Classification** systems **drops over time** as patterns observed in data change, due to linguistic and societal changes.

This drop is more pronounced when the testing data is **further away** in





Temporal performance of different language representations across the three datasets. [1]

^[1] Rabab Alkhalifa et al: Building for tomorrow: Assessing the temporal persistence of text classifiers, 2022

^[2] Komal Florio et al.: Time of Your Hate: The Challenge of Time in Hate Speech Detection on Social Media, 2020

^[3] Jan Lukes and Anders Søgaard: Sentiment analysis under temporal shift, 2018

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Questions

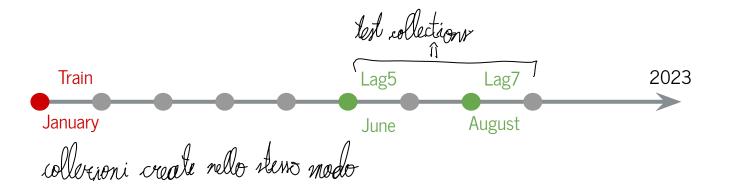
1) How does **search engine** behave as the **collection evolves**?

2) What IR systems are the <u>most robust</u> against the <u>changes</u> in the collection (and still perform well)?

3) When do we need to update an IR system as the collection evolves?

LongEval-Retrieval CLEF Campaign

- Build a succession of train/test collections
- Each of them composed of a <u>set of documents from Qwant's</u> index queries from Qwant's users
- Designed to reflect the changes of the Web across time



LongEval-Classification CLEF Campaign

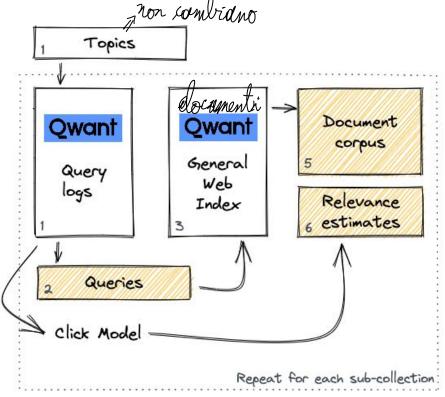
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- Explore temporal persistence on classification of sentiment of Tweets
- TM-Senti Dataset:
 - Large-scale Tweets sentiment dataset
 - Tweets are binary labelled for sentiment as either "positive" or "negative"
- Long-term and short-term subtasks
- Evaluation: Macro-averaged F1-score and Relative Performance Drop

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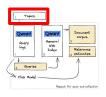
LongEval-Retrieval CLEF Collection







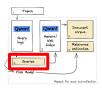
Topics



- Selected to ensure a <u>balance between popularity</u>, <u>stability</u>, <u>generality</u>, and <u>diversity</u>.
- Selected from the Web and social media based on trends.
- Performed only once for the entire LongEval-Retrieval collection.

88	Topic	English Description		
1	eau	water		
2	nourriture	food		
3	espace	space		
4	voiture	car		
5	argent	money		
6	manifestation	protest		
7	virus	virus		
8	terre	earth		
9	énergie	energy		
10	police	police		

Queries



In the context of the LongEval-Retrieval test collection, a query is a **multi-word chain** of characters that is **related** to one or more **topics**.

- Topics are used for filtering and selecting the Qwant actual user's queries.
 - Select the queries which contain topic words

Extracted for each sub-collection

Translations

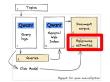
- Initially, all the queries and documents were created in French.
- French-English translation system CUBBITT:
 - https://lindat.mff.cuni.cz/services/translation
- The quality of the translations of the queries is much lower than the quality of the document translation.
- Multiple possible translations provided for the queries

Query Translations

q01235	a chapeau	a hat	a Chief	a chapeau	a chapeau
q01236	a quoi sert la prise de terre	What is the purpose of the land grab?	What is the use of the land grab?	a what is the purpose of the land grab	a what is the purpose of the land grab?
q01238	abonnement ter bordeaux	subscribing bordeaux	subscribing to bordeaux	subscribing to the bordeaux	bordeaux subscription
q012319	affutage couteaux	sharpening knives	knife sharpening	knife-sharpening	Knife sharpening
q012331	aide a la reprise d'emploi pole emploi	senior employment assistance	Senior Employment Assistance	Senior employment assistance	assistance senior employment

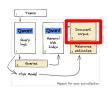
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Relevance Assessments



- Based on user clicks = counting automorticemente
- Raw clicks cannot be used:
 - Noisy and biased
- Use click models
 - Goal: better model the behaviour of users e consciusive privacy
- 0 = not relevant, 1 = relevant, 2 = highly relevant

Documents



2 approaches to selection:

- risubtati ricerche
- Documents that were **displayed in SERPs** for the queries that we selected
- Potentially non-relevant documents are **randomly sampled** from Qwant index in order to <u>better</u> represent the nature of a Web test collection (~100,000 documents per topic)

Web documents, downloaded and cleaned

Documents Example

Highly Relevant Document

Bordeaux Airport - Merignac - Official website Re-opening of the billi terminal: all the information you need for your next trip Our billi terminal has reopened to operate some easyJet and Ryanair flights. Shops were also reopened, in particular to offer a catering service to travellers. This decision will make it possible to deploy on the entire infrastructure the material and human resources necessary for the smooth running of the journey. Important: All other airlines: concourse A Flight boarding: check your concourse and boarding gate in real time on our website or on the terminal screens when you arrive. With large crowds, think ahead of your visit: Due to the heavy summer traffic, passengers are advised to anticipate their arrival well in advance. Wings for the World News and events Published: 10 June 2022

Non-Relevant Document

Parking near Bordeaux Airport Merignac | Beep Valet Parking contact@beep-valet-parking.com BEEP VALET Choose your seat type Parking secure + Shuttle offered + Shuttle Airport You are brought to the airport from the car park Reservation Airport Free Parking + Shuttle Parking Available Your windscreen needs replacing? We offer parking Reservation Parking Offered Secure payment by bank CIC Benefits of your car park Merignac airport RESERVE RAPIDE GAREZ EASY TALK SEREIN Close airport Mérignac Our tarmac car park is located 3 km from Bordeaux-Mérignac airport. Take 5 minutes of transfer time in our comfortable shuttle. If needed, child boosters and baby seats are offered. Airport Shuttle

Query "aeroport bordeaux", which was translated as "airport"

Train and Test Sets



- ► Train collection: ~2M Web pages, 30k queries, 133k assessments (60% are non-relevant, 19% are relevant, and 21% are highly relevant)
- Lag5 Test Collection: ~3M Web pages, ~20k queries
- Lag7 Test Collection: ~3M Web pages, ~25k queries

6% were highly relevant in 2023

Evaluation



- nDCG (Lag5 and Lag7)
- Relative nDCG Drop between Lag5 and Lag7

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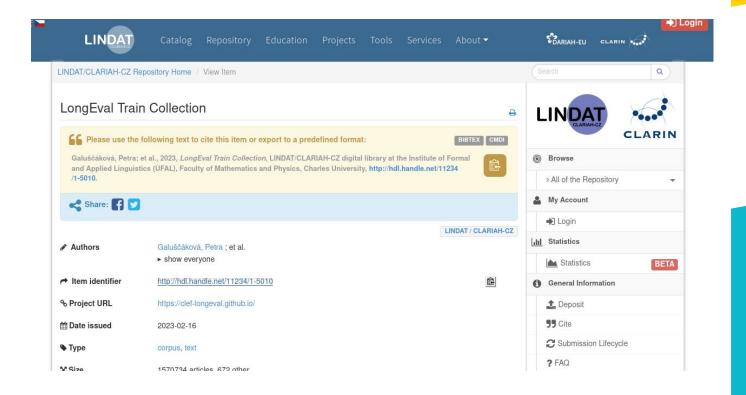
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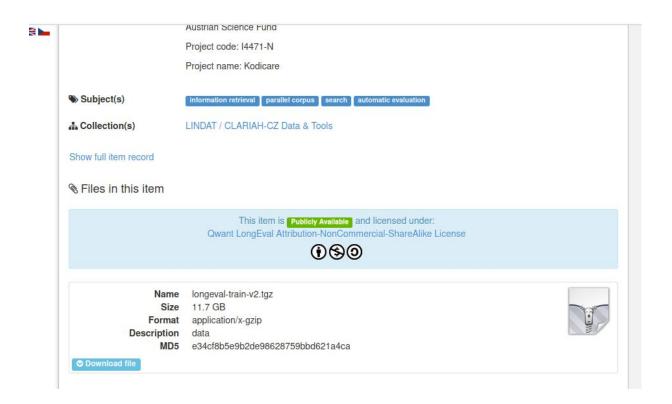


CLEF Web site: https://clef2024.imag.fr

Data Download

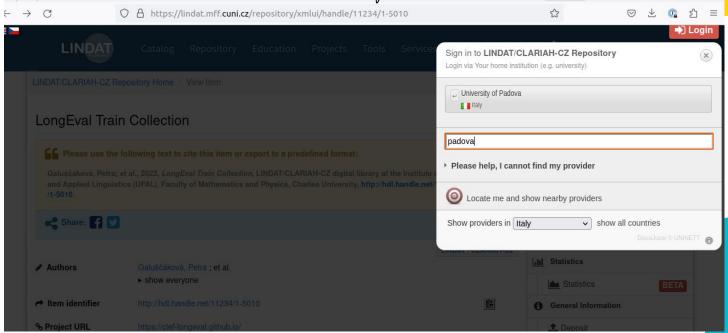


Data Download



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Submission Requirements

- ► For each system submitted, the participants need to submit the results acquired by this system on both Lag5 and Lag7 queries
- Participants also need to provide a short **description** of each of the submitted systems.
- Each team can submit up to 5 systems.

Submission Format for a System

Each system should be submitted in a **single zipped file** consisting of a following tuple:

- team_system.L5 (Lag5 test set)
- team_system.L7 (Lag7 test set)
- team_system.meta (run description)

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system.** is a **TREC run** in TREC format (max 1000 documents)

If run is BM25, team UGA, in-time set: UGA_BM25.L5

Submissions

- Will be done using git
- Each team will have its own private repository created on bitbucket

LongEval at CLEF 2024

- ► April: Data release
- ► May: Participants' submissions (Still time to register and participate!)
- ▶ June: Participants' papers submissions
- ► **June:** Evaluation results release
- ► **July:** Camera ready paper submissions
- ► **September:** CLEF Conference in Grenoble

LongEval Web site: https://clef-longeval.github.io



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2023 Collection



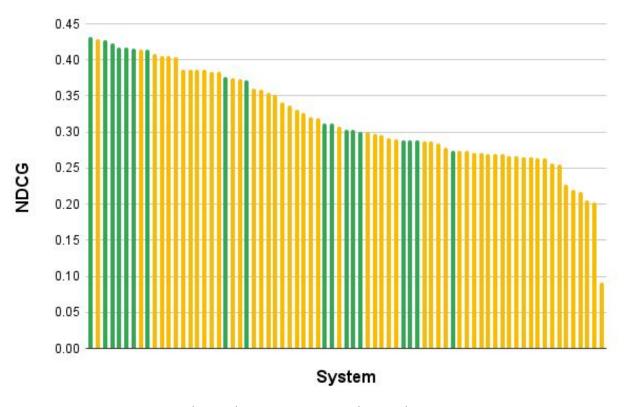
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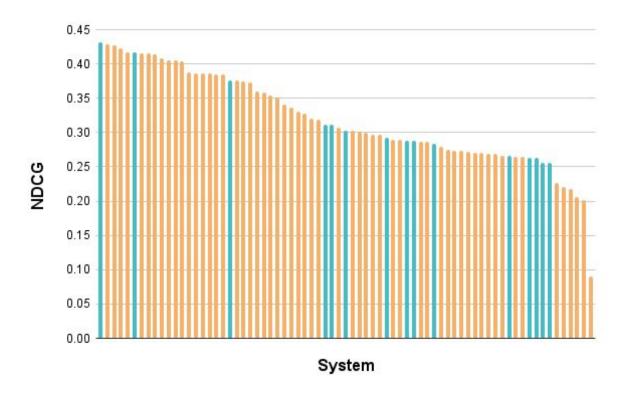


Neural vs Statistical Models



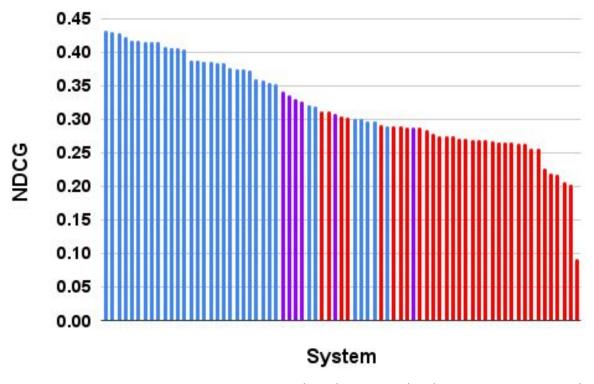
Performance of neural (green) and non-neural (yellow) approaches on In-Time test

Single System vs. Combination



Performance of single approach (orange) and combinations (cyan) on In-Time test

French vs. English



Performance of systems which use French (blue), English (red) or both languages (purple) on In-Time test

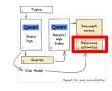
Ideas for 2024

- Use overlaps and changes between data
- Use <u>larger training data</u>
 - Fine-tune models on train data
- Use <u>n-best translations</u>
- Make mixture of models effective
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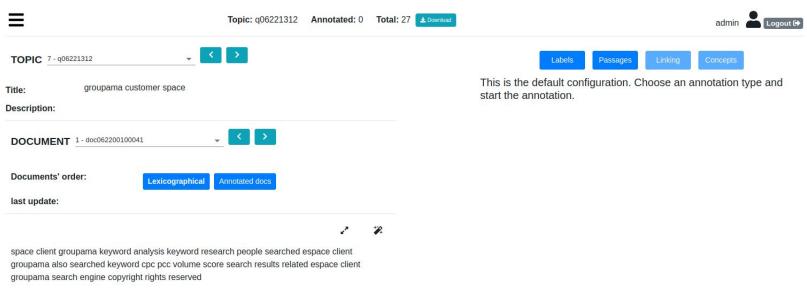
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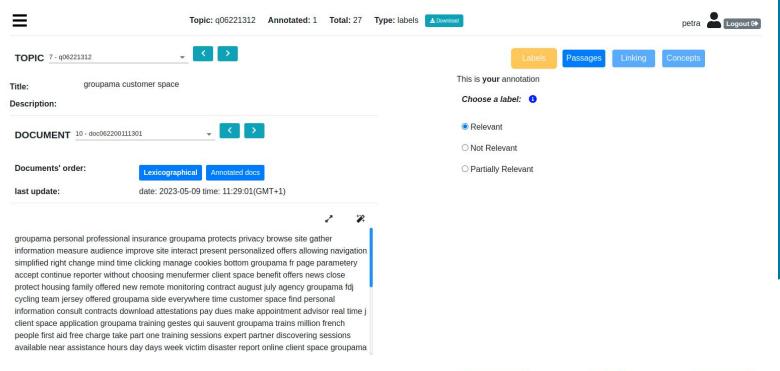
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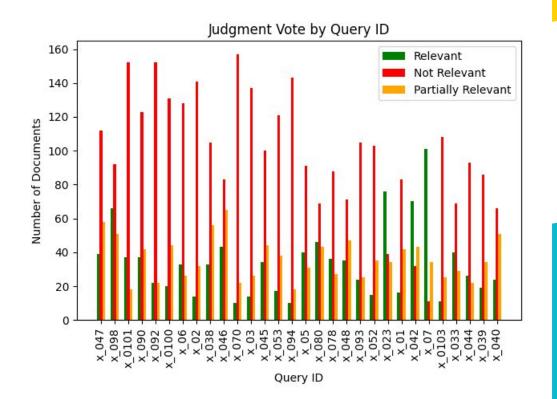
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Document Relevance

- If you are a user, you search using the query terms of the topic and find the Web page, would you stop your search and find the search successful?
 - Yes -> Relevant.
 - Continue searching -> Not Relevant
- If you found some information relevant to your query, but you would still continue searching
 - -> Partially Relevant
- The labeling option 'I don't know' should be used only if it is not possible to do any assessment.

Human Relevance Judgments in 2023

- > 37 judges
- ▶ 150 queries
- ► ~130 jud/q
- ▶ 14,953 jud.



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