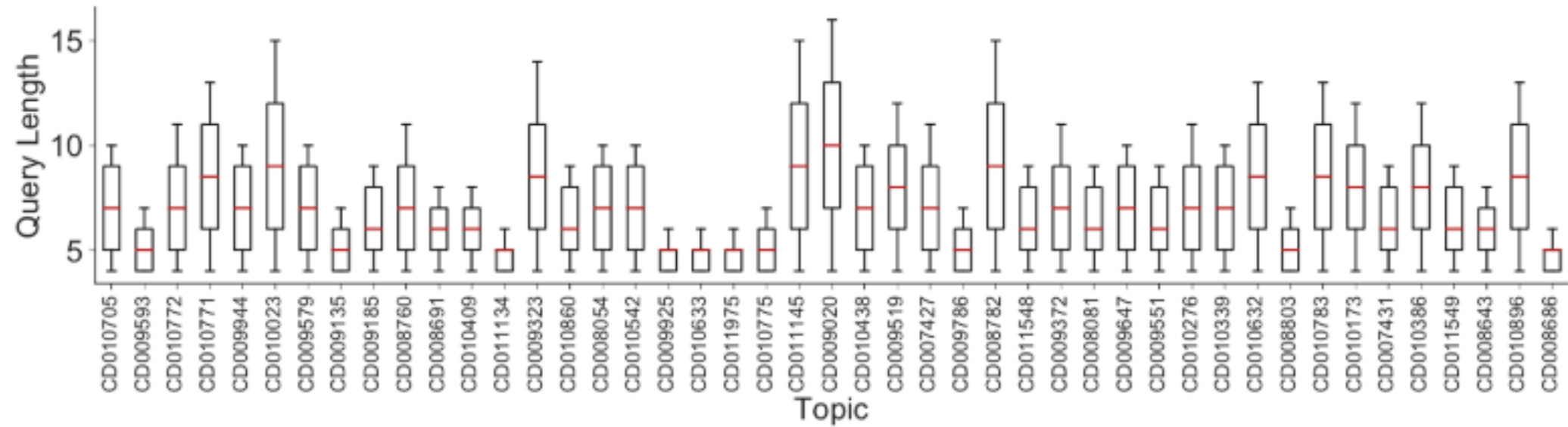
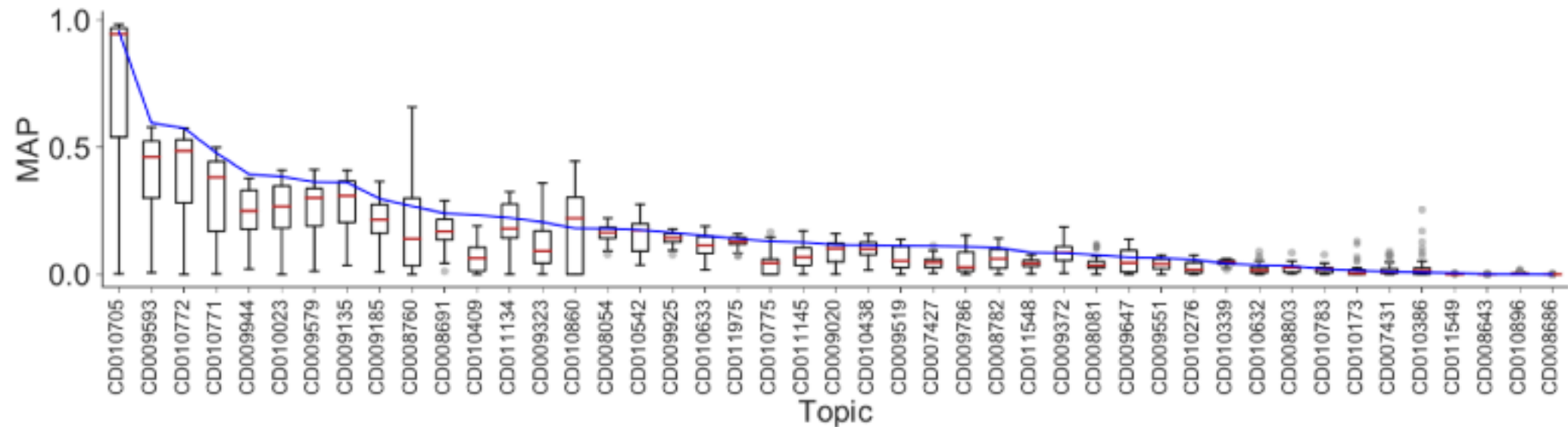


# “Seed” Query Statistics

QUERY LENGTH VS PERFORMANCE



(a) Distribution of query lengths across topics.



(b) Distribution of MAP for query variations (boxplots) and seed queries (in blue) across topics.

**Figure 7.1:** Distribution of query lengths and MAP scores over each topic. Both sub figures are ordered by MAP score.

# Method

- 16 QPPs used to estimate query effectiveness
  - 12 pre-retrieval, 4 post-retrieval
- compare the ability of predictors for
  - QPP task
  - QVPP task
- For QVPP, rank query variations using QPP measures