

gaHealth: An English–Irish Bilingual Corpus of Health Data

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Introduction

A corpus, gaHealth, for the specific domain of health was developed for the low-resource English to Irish language pair. We define linguistic guidelines and

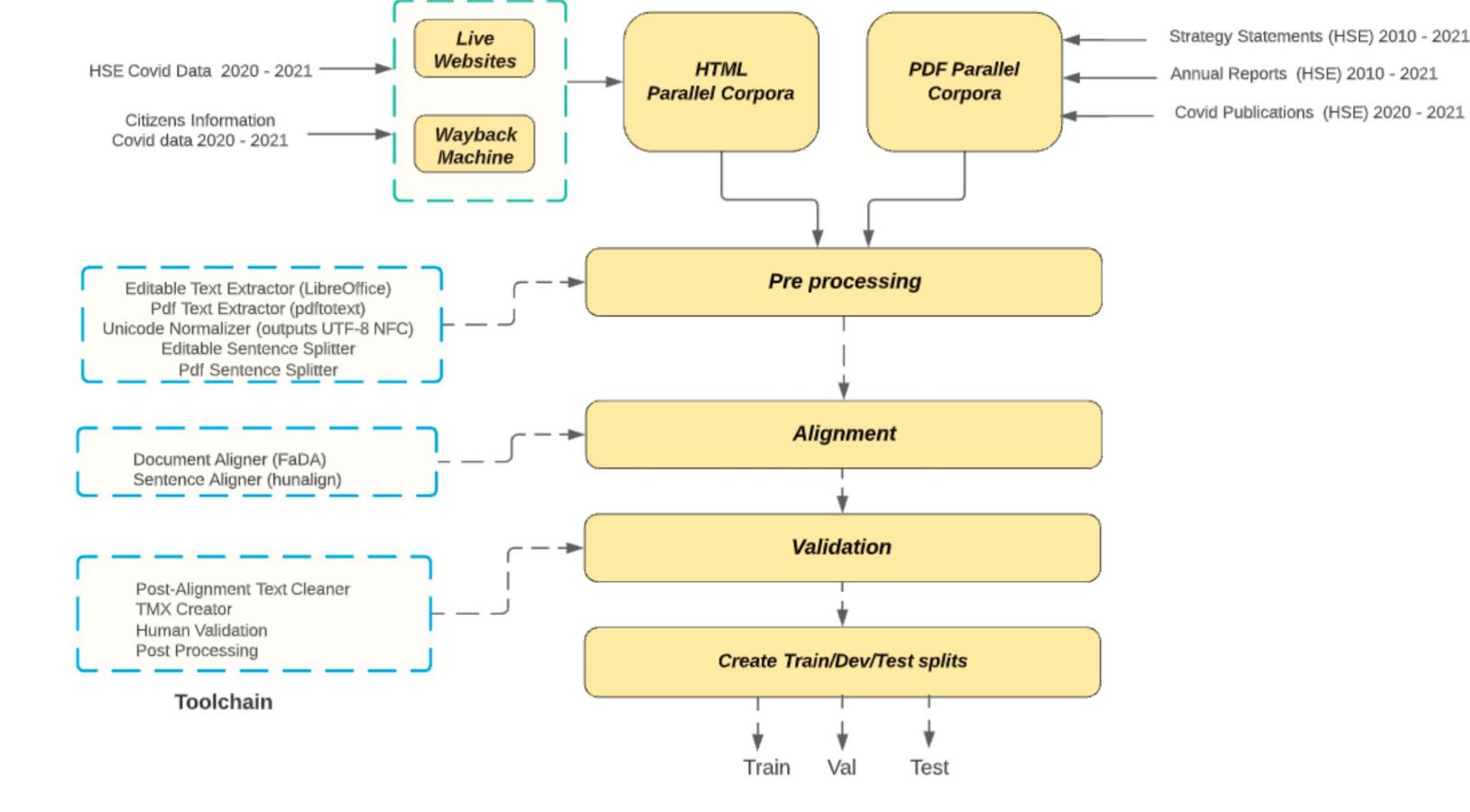
outline the process used in developing the corpus. Our models, developed using the gaHealth corpus, demonstrated a maximum BLEU score improvement of

22.2 points (40%) when compared with top performing models from the LoResMT2021 Shared Task.

Proposed approach

Documents	Source	Lines
Strategy Statement 2020	HSE	3k
Strategy Statement 2017	HSE	2.5k
Strategy Statement 2015	HSE	3k
Annual Report 2020	HSE	2k
Annual Report 2019	HSE	2k
Annual Report 2017	HSE	2k
Website (Covid)	Citizen's Advice	4k
Publications (Covid)	HSE	4k

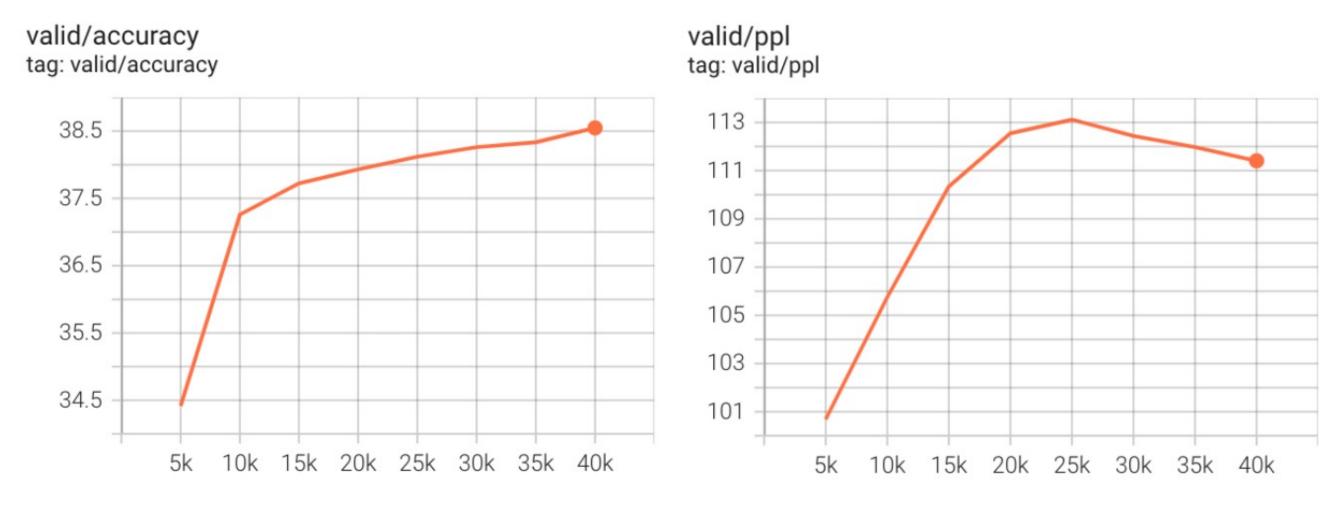
Sources used in corpus development



Corpus development process

Empirical Evaluation: EN-GA MT model

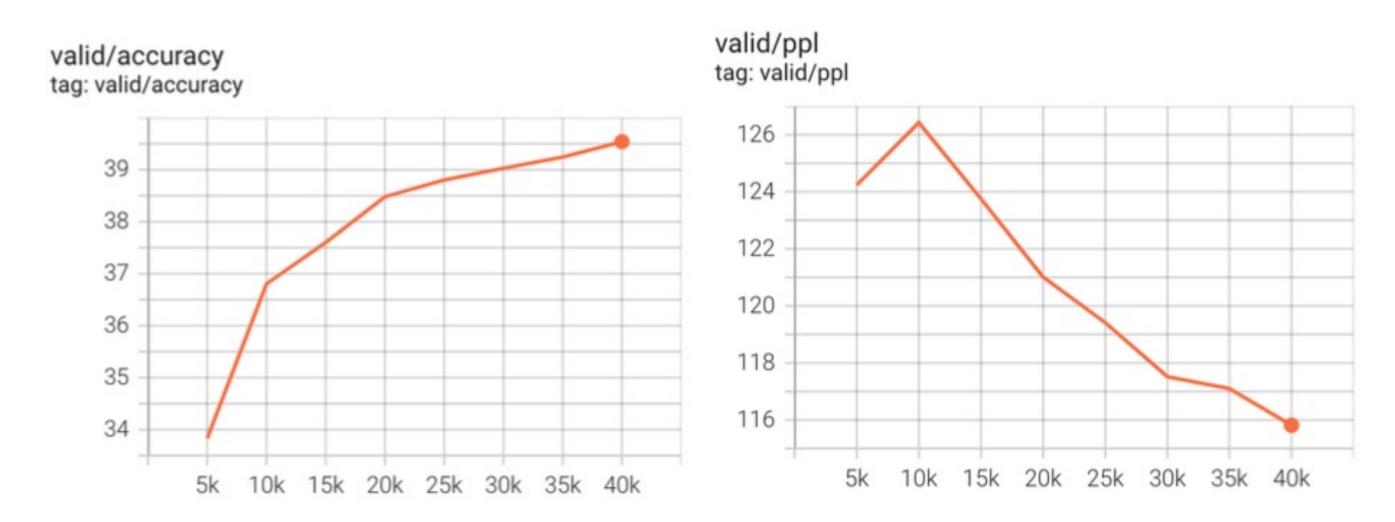
Empirical Evaluation: GA-EN MT model



Training EN-GA model with gaHealth corpus

Team	System	BLEU ↑	TER \downarrow	ChrF3 ↑
UCF	en2ga-b	13.5	0.756	0.37
IIITT	en2ga-b	25.8	0.629	0.53
adapt	combined	32.8	0.590	0.57
gaHealth	en2ga	33.3	0.604	0.56
adapt	covid_extended	36.0	0.531	0.60
gaHealth	en2ga*	37.6	0.577	0.57

EN-GA gaHealth system compared with LoResMT 2021



Training GA-EN model with gaHealth corpus

Team	System	BLEU ↑	TER \downarrow	ChrF3 ↑
UCF	ga2en-b	21.3	0.711	0.45
IIITT	ga2en-b	34.6	0.586	0.61
gaHealth	ga2en	57.6	0.385	0.71

GA-En gaHealth system compared with LoResMT 2021

Conclusion

- gaHealth is an ongoing translation project that built the first parallel corpus of health data for English to Irish translation
- We developed guidelines which help in the conversion process of raw source documents
- Transformer models, trained with gaHealth, achieved SOA MT performance in health domain: EN-GA: BLEU score of 37.6 & GA-EN: BLEU score of 57.6
- Open-source download: https://github.com/seamusl/gaHealth

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