



# Esposito: An English-Persian Scientific Parallel Corpus for Machine Translation

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# Section One Introduction

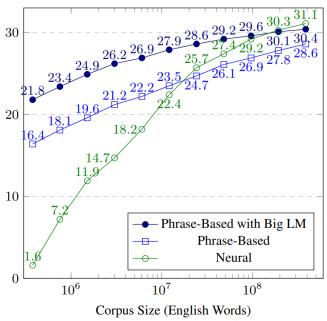
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#### Machine Translation

- **Machine Translation Models** 
  - Definition
  - **Neural Machine Translation**

#### **Importance of Parallel Corpus**

#### **BLEU Scores with Varying Amounts of Training Data**

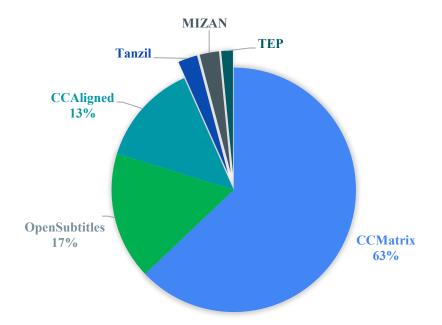


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# Importance of Parallel Corpus

- CCMatrix
  - 24.6M Parallel Sentences
  - Very Noisy !!

Importance of Scientific Domain



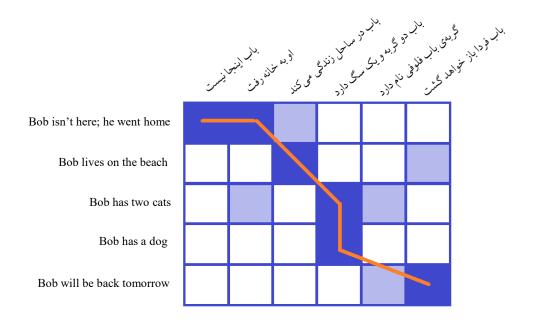
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# Section Two Related Works

- Sentence Alignment
- Multilingual Sentence
   Embedding

# Sentence Alignment

- Problem Definition
- Model Structure
  - Score Function
  - Alignment Algorithm

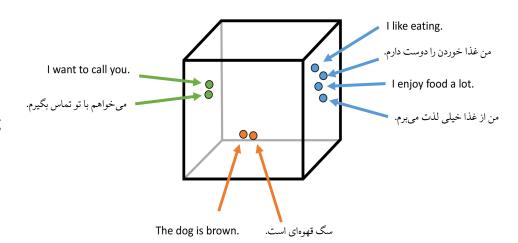


# Neural Sentence Alignment

**Vecalign** (Thompson and Koehn, 2019)

#### Score Function

- Multilingual Sentence Embedding
- Normalized Cosine Distance



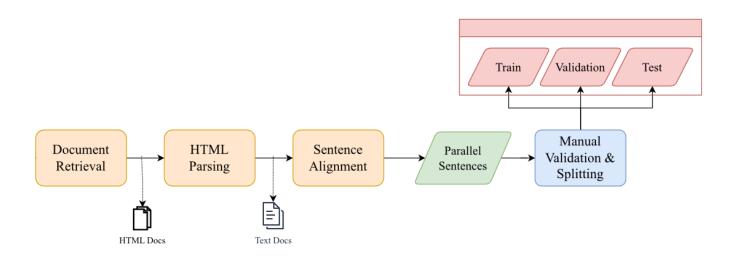
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- Parallel Corpus Creation Workflow
- Parallel Corpus

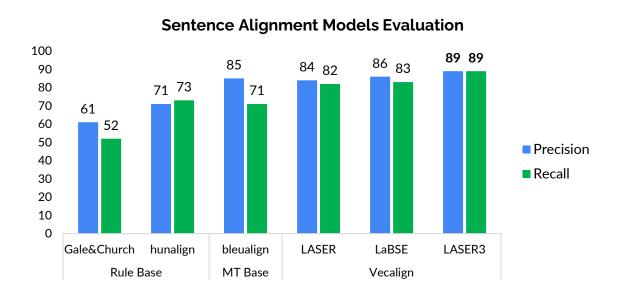
# Parallel Corpus Creation Workflow



# Sentence Alignment

#### Evaluation Benchmark

45 Manually Aligned English-Persian
 Parallel Documents



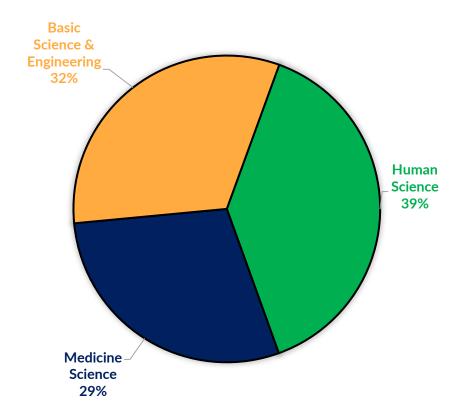
# Document Retrieval & HTML Parsing

#### Scientific Information Database (SID)

- Open-Access
- A Complete Archive of Scientific Journals from 2000
- 731K Parallel Documents

#### Sentence Alignment

3.5M parallel sentences



### Manual Validation

#### Validation Steps

- 1500 random bilingual sentence pairs
- 45 undergraduate students
- Guideline

#### Validation Results

Annotators Consensus Evaluation

Domain	Train	Validation	Test
Human science	1.36M	1000	400
Medical	1.01M	1000	400
Science & engineering	1.10M	1000	400
	3.49M	3000	1200

	Title	Scale	Description
82%	Very Good	90-100	Two sentences are completely similar in meaning. Two sentences that refer to the same object or concept, using words that have semantic similarity or synonyms to describe them. The length of the two sentences is equivalent.
	Good	70-89	Two sentences with similarities in meaning, referring to the same object or concept. The length of the two sentences may vary slightly.
	Need Correction	50-69	Two sentences that are related in meaning, each referring to objects or concepts but they are related. The length of two sentences may vary slightly.
	Bad	30-49	Two sentences that are different in meaning but have a slight semantic relation, may share the same topic. The length of two sentences can vary greatly.
3% —	Very Bad	0-29	The two sentences are completely different in meaning, their content is not related to each other. The length of two sentences can vary greatly.

# Section Four Experiments & Results

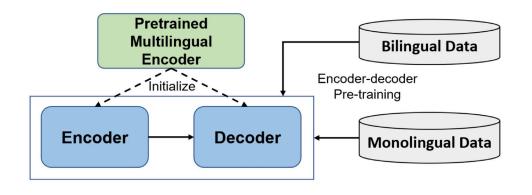
Fine-tune Pretrained
 Multilingual LM

# Multilingual NMT

#### Multilinguality as Transfer Learning

#### Models

- o mBART50 (Liu et al., 2020)
- O M2M-100 (Fan et al., 2020)
- O NLLB (Costa-jussà et al, 2022)
- **DeltaLM** (Ma et al., 2021)
  - Encoder-Decoder Architecture
  - Base: **360M** Parameters
  - Large: 830M Parameters



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#### Fine-tune DeltaLM

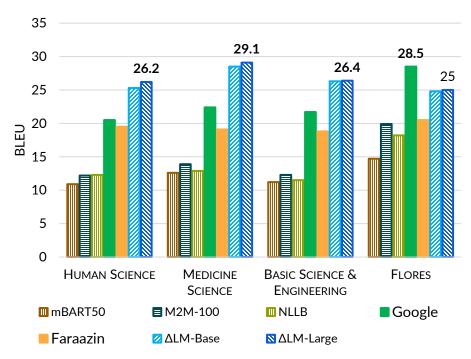
#### Model Specs

- Base DeltaLM (ΔLM-Base)
- Large DeltaLM (ΔLM-Large)
- o Epoch: 1

#### Training Data

- Esposito+CCMatrix
- Evaluation Results

#### **Evaluation Results of En→Fa Models**



#### Conclusion

- Presenting the Workflow of Unsupervised Parallel Corpus Construction
- Create Standard Benchmark for Scientific Domain Machine Translation

- Future Works
  - Constructing a Multilingual Corpus for Scientific Texts
  - Utilizing Data Augmentation Techniques

Thank You

