

Overview of NTCIR-8 ACLIA IR4QA

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Abstract

This paper presents an overview of NTCIR-8 ACLIA (Advanced Cross-lingual Information Access) IR4QA (Information Retrieval for Question Answering). Following the task definitions of the first IR4QA at NTCIR-7 [13, 15], IR4QA at NTCIR-8 evaluates cross-language IR using English topics and targetting documents in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese or Japanese. The corresponding monolingual IR subtasks are also within its scope. The only difference between traditional “ad hoc” IR tasks and IR4QA is that the latter can optionally be seen as a component of a question answering system. This paper describes the task, how the organisers collaborated with 12 participating teams (who submitted a total of 84 runs) to obtain relevance assessments for our three IR4QA test collections, the formal evaluation results, and the “run ranking forecasts” that were provided to the participants right after the submission deadline. For the relationship between IR4QA and the entire ACLIA, we refer the reader to the overview papers of ACLIA [7, 8]. For details of the individual IR4QA systems, we refer the reader to the participants’ reports.

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1. Introduction

This paper presents an overview of NTCIR-8 ACLIA (Advanced Cross-lingual Information Access) IR4QA (Information Retrieval for Question Answering). Following the task definitions of the first IR4QA at NTCIR-7 [13, 15], IR4QA at NTCIR-8 evaluates cross-language IR using English topics and targetting documents in Simplified Chinese (CS), Traditional Chinese (CT) or Japanese (JA). The corresponding monolingual IR subtasks are also within its scope. This paper describes the task, how the organisers collaborated with 12 participating teams (who submitted a total of 84 runs) to obtain relevance assessments for our three IR4QA test collections, the formal evaluation results, and the “run ranking fore-

Table 1. IR4QA participants.

team name	organisation
BRKLY	University of California, Berkeley
CYUT	Chaoyang University of Technology
DCU	Dublin City University
DLUT	Dalian University of Technology
IMU	Inner Mongolia University
KDEG	Trinity College Dublin
KECIR	Shenyang Institute of Aeronautical Engineering
LTI	Carnegie Mellon University
QUTIS	Queensland University of Technology
WHUCC	Computer School, Wuhan University
WHUQA	Wuhan University
WUST	Wuhan University of Science and Technology

casts” that were provided to the participants right after the submission deadline. For the relationship between IR4QA and the entire ACLIA, we refer the reader to the overview paper of ACLIA [8]. For details of the individual IR4QA systems, we refer the reader to the participants’ reports [1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24]. Table 1 provides a list of IR4QA participants.

The important dates for IR4QA were as follows:

January 6	Topics released
January 20-22	Runs received
January 21-24	Run ranking forecasts released
March 3	CS and JA evaluation results released (before bug fix)
March 8	CT pool-depth-50 evaluation results released
March 24	CT pool-depth-100 evaluation results released
April 19	CS and JA results released (after bug fix)

The CS and JA evaluation results were first released on March 3, but it was later discovered that the “qrels” (relevance assessment data) contained duplicate documents per topic. We therefore fixed these qrels and released the correct CS and JA results on April 19. While the CT qrels file did not have this problem, the assessors went behind schedule so we had to release pool-depth-50 results first on March 8, and then pool-depth-100 results on March 24. (The CS and JA qrels were based on depth-100 pools from the very beginning.) The pooling procedure will be described in the next section.

What is unique about IR4QA at NTCIR-8 is that run ranking forecasts based on *pseudo-qrels* [13, 16, 18] were released to participants right after the organisers received all the runs, in the hope that the participants can do some useful experiments while they wait for the “true” qrels and evaluation results to arrive. A

pseudo-qrels file looks just like a regular qrels file, but is generated completely automatically based on “how popular each document is among the submitted runs.” Details will follow.

The remainder of this paper is organised as follows. Section 2 describes how the runs were pooled and how the relevance assessments were obtained for each of our three IR4QA test collections. Section 3 defines the IR effectiveness metrics we use for evaluating runs, as well as the tool developed for this purpose. It also defines some additional statistics for examining the runs, as well as rank correlation metrics for comparing a pair of rankings. Section 4 reports on the IR4QA evaluation results based on the true qrels. For CS and JA, results both before and after the bug fix of the qrels are shown. For CT, both pool-depth-50 and pool-depth-100 results are shown. Section 5 reports on our run ranking forecasts based on pseudo-qrels, which were released to the participants prior to relevance assessments. Finally, Section 6 summarises our initial findings as the organisers of IR4QA at NTCIR-8.

2. Pooling and Relevance Assessments

Table 2 shows the number of runs submitted by each participating team for different language pairs: A *run* is a system output file containing a ranked list of documents for each topic (i.e. search request)¹. For example, a total of 20 CS-CS monolingual runs (i.e., runs that used Simplified Chinese topics and retrieved Simplified Chinese documents) and a total of 28 EN-CS crosslingual runs (i.e. runs that used English topics and retrieved Simplified Chinese documents) were submitted. Hence a total of 48 CS runs (i.e. runs that retrieved Simplified Chinese documents) were used in pooling for relevance assessments.

Let S be the set of systems (i.e. runs) that will contribute to the pool, and let $s \in S$. For a particular topic, let $D_X(s)$ denote the set of top X documents from s . The depth- X pool for this topic is defined as $\bigcup_{s \in S} D_X(s)$.

We created depth-100 pools for relevance assessments, but instead of assessing pooled documents after a sort by document IDs, we proceeded as follows:

1. Create a depth- X pool for every topic ($X \in \{50, 100\}$).
2. Within each depth- X pool, sort the documents by the number of runs containing the document at or above rank X (the larger the better), and then break ties by the sum of ranks of that document within those runs (the smaller the better). That is, documents retrieved by many runs at high ranks are placed near the top of the *sorted pool* [13].
3. From each depth-100 sorted pool, remove all documents that occur in the corresponding depth-50 pool: for convenience, we call the resultant list a *sorted residual pool*.
4. For each topic, assign exactly one assessor². Let the assessor assess the relevance of each document in the depth-50 sorted pool first, from top to bottom. When this is complete, let him/her assess the sorted residual pool.

The depth-100 pools were split as described above because the organisers were uncertain as to whether the assessors can finish in

¹The IR4QA run file format can be found in [13], Figure 4 (page 81).

²The assessors did not create the topics. The topic development procedure is described in the ACLIA2 overview paper [8].

time. As it turned out, the CS and JA assessors did finish in time but the qrels files initially contained duplicate documents per topic. For CT, the progress was slower so we released the pool-depth-50 results first to the participants.

Tables 26-28 in the Appendix show the pool size for each topic for each document collection. Among these topics, ACLIA2-CS-{0001, 0003, 0004, 0007, 0008, 0010, 0011, 0013, 0014, 0017, 0020, 0021, 0022, 0024, 0025, 0027, 0031, 0034, 0037, 0050, 0055, 0060, 0079, 0081, 0086, 0088, 0089} and ACLIA2-JA-{0037, 0043, 0059, 0066, 0071, 0082} were removed from our evaluation data as the number of relevant documents found in the depth-100 pool was fewer than five for these topics. Hence CT and JA runs were evaluated using 73 and 94 topics, respectively. As for the CT topics, for the evaluation based on the depth-50 pools, we removed ACLIA2-CT-{0018, 0038, 0041, 0054, 0062, 0072, 0078, 0079, 0080, 0081, 0085, 0087, 0098, 0100} and therefore used 86 topics. Later, for the evaluation based on the depth-100 pools, we recovered ACLIA2-CT-0087 and therefore used 87 topics in the end.

The relevance assessments for the CS, CT and JA topics were separately conducted at Microsoft Research Asia, National Taiwan Ocean University and National Institute of Informatics, respectively. Following IR4QA at NTCIR-7, we used graded relevance:

- $L2$ Relevant ($L2$ -relevant). The document fully satisfies the information need expressed in the topic.
- $L1$ Partially relevant ($L1$ -relevant). The document only partially satisfies the information need expressed in the topic.
- $L0$ Not relevant.

In our evaluation, both $L0$ (i.e. judged nonrelevant) documents and *unjudged* documents (i.e. documents that were not included in the pool) are both regarded as nonrelevant.

Tables 29-31 in the Appendix show the number of judged relevant/nonrelevant documents per topic for each of our three test collections (after the bug fix for CS and JA, and after completing the pool-depth-100 assessments for CT).

3. Metrics and Tools

3.1 Ranked Retrieval Effectiveness

Following the first round of IR4QA at NTCIR-7, we used three effectiveness metrics for evaluating the IR4QA runs: *Average Precision* (AP), Q-measure (Q) and a “Microsoft version” of normalised Discounted Cumulative Gain (nDCG) [13]. Among these three, only Q and nDCG can utilise graded relevance assessments.

For a particular topic, let $I(r)$ be a flag indicating whether the document retrieved at rank r in a given run is relevant or not, and let $C(r) = \sum_{i=1}^r I(i)$. Let R denote the number of known relevant documents for this topic, including partially relevant ones. Then, the AP of this run for this topic is given by:

$$AP = \frac{1}{R} \sum_r I(r) \frac{C(r)}{r}. \quad (1)$$

Let \mathcal{L} be a relevance level, and let *gain*(\mathcal{L}) denote the *gain value* for retrieving an \mathcal{L} -relevant document. For the IR4QA data,

Table 2. Number of NTCIR-8 IR4QA runs submitted.

team	CS-CS	EN-CS	CT-CT	EN-CT	JA-JA	EN-JA
BRKLY		4		4	5	2
CYUT		3				4
DCU	2	3				
DLUT		3				
IMU	3	1				
KDEG	5	5	5	5		
KECIR	5					
LTI					3	3
QUTIS		5		5		
WHUCC	2	3				
WHUQA	2	2				
WUST	1	2				
total by lang. pair	20	28	5	14	8	9
total by document lang.	48		19		17	

we have $L2$ -relevant (“relevant”) and $L1$ -relevant (“partially relevant”) documents, in addition to judged nonrelevant documents whose relevance level is denoted by $L0$. We let $gain(L2) = 2$ and $gain(L1) = 1$ throughout our analysis. Let $R(\mathcal{L})$ denote the number of known \mathcal{L} -relevant documents for a topic, so that $\sum_{\mathcal{L}} R(\mathcal{L}) = R$. Let $g(r) = gain(\mathcal{L})$ if the document at rank r is \mathcal{L} -relevant and let $g(r) = 0$ otherwise. In particular, let $g^*(r)$ denote the gain at rank r of an *ideal* ranked output, where an ideal ranked output for a particular topic is one that satisfies $I(r) = 1$ for $1 \leq r \leq R$ and $g(r) \leq g(r-1)$ for $r > 1$. For the IR4QA data, this can be achieved by listing up all $L2$ -relevant documents, and then all $L1$ -relevant documents.

The *cumulative gain* [2] at rank r is defined as $cg(r) = \sum_{i=1}^r g(i)$. Similarly, let $cg^*(r) = \sum_{i=1}^r g^*(i)$. Let β be a positive constant. Q is defined as:

$$Q\text{-measure} = \frac{1}{R} \sum_r I(r) \frac{C(r) + \beta cg(r)}{r + \beta cg^*(r)}. \quad (2)$$

Letting $\beta = 0$ reduces Q to AP , and using a large β makes Q more forgiving to relevant documents found near the bottom of the ranked list [11]. We let $\beta = 1$ throughout our analysis. Given flat gain values (i.e., binary relevance), $Q = AP$ holds iff there is no relevant document below rank R ; $Q > AP$ holds iff there is at least one relevant document below rank R [10]. Sakai and Robertson [14] have discussed how AP and Q can be interpreted from the viewpoint of a user population.

Let l be a document cut-off value; we let $l = 1000$ throughout our analysis. The version of $nDCG$ we use is defined as:

$$nDCG = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^l g(r) / \log(r+1)}{\sum_{r=1}^l g^*(r) / \log(r+1)}. \quad (3)$$

See [13] for a discussion on different versions of $nDCG$.

We used the IR evaluation package `ir4qa_eval2.tar.gz` available at http://research.nii.ac.jp/ntcir/tools/ir4qa_eval-en.html for computing these evaluation metrics. The package is basically the same as `ir4qa_eval.tar.gz` that was used at NTCIR-7, and the version of $nDCG$ described above is shown as “MSnDCG@1000” in its output files. For more information, we refer the reader to the README file contained in the package: it can also be used for evaluating runs from other tasks e.g. TREC ad hoc and NTCIR CLIR.

3.2 Coverage and Unique Relevants

In addition to measuring the effectiveness of ranked retrieval, we also examine the *coverage* of relevant documents and the number of *unique relevant* documents for each a run or a participating team as follows.

Let REL be the set of relevant documents for a topic, so that $|REL| = R$. Let $D(s)$ denote the set of documents contained in run s for the same topic. Now define $cvr(s) = D(s) \cap REL$: we refer to $|cvr(s)|$ as the coverage by run s for that topic. (Note that coverage divided by R gives recall.) Moreover, let $S(t)$ denote the set of runs submitted by team t , and let

$$CVR(t) = \bigcup_{s \in S(t)} cvr(s).$$

We refer to $|CVR(t)|$ as the coverage by team t .

For a particular topic, the number of unique relevant documents found by run $s \in S(t)$ is given by:

$$ur(s) = |cvr(s) - \bigcup_{t' \neq t} CVR(t')|. \quad (4)$$

Note that other runs from the same team t do not hurt $ur(s)$. That is, for each run, we look at documents that were not found by any other *team*. Similarly, the number of unique relevant documents found by team t is given by:

$$UR(t) = |CVR(t) - \bigcup_{t' \neq t} CVR(t')|. \quad (5)$$

3.3 Rank Correlation

For measuring the similarity of a pair of run rankings or topic rankings (according to two different effectiveness metrics or qrels data), we use both *Kendall’s τ rank correlation* and *Yilmaz/Aslam/Robertson τ_{ap}* [22].

Kendall’s τ is a monotonic function of the probability that a *randomly chosen* pair of ranked items is ordered identically in the two rankings. Hence a swap near the top of a ranked list and that near the bottom of the same list has equal impact. Whereas, τ_{ap} is “top-heavy,” in that it is a monotonic function of the probability that a randomly chosen item *and one ranked above it* are ordered identically in the two rankings. Like τ , τ_{ap} lies between -1 and 1 , but unlike τ , it is not symmetrical: one of the input rankings is taken as the gold standard. When the errors (i.e. pairwise item swaps with respect to the gold standard) are uniformly distributed over the ranking being examined, τ_{ap} is equivalent to τ .

Formally, let the size of the two ranked lists be L . Let A be the number of item pairs that are ranked in the same order in both rankings, and let B be the number of item pairs that are ranked in opposite order in the two rankings. Kendall’s τ rank correlation is given by:

$$\tau = \frac{A - B}{L(L-1)/2}. \quad (6)$$

For a given ranked list to be examined, let $n(i)$ be the number of items *correctly* ranked above rank i in the list with respect to a gold-standard ranked list. τ_{ap} is given by:

$$\tau_{ap} = \frac{2}{L-1} \sum_{i=2}^L \frac{n(i)}{i-1} - 1. \quad (7)$$

4. Evaluation Results

This section presents the IR4QA evaluation results based on the “true” qrels, i.e. manual relevance assessment data. As mentioned earlier, for CS runs and JA runs, we present results both before and after the bug fix (based on depth-100 pools). For CT runs, we present both pool-depth-50 and pool-depth-100 results.

Tables 3-7 show the mean effectiveness values of all submitted CS, JA and CT runs, respectively. The runs have been sorted by each effectiveness metric. For CS and JA, the ranking after the bug fix has been compared with the one before the bug fix. Rank changes are indicated by arrows, where, for example, “ $\uparrow 2$ ” means “up two ranks.”

Table 8 compares each pair of run rankings according to two different metrics, in terms of τ and τ_{ap} . For example, with the CS runs (before the bug fix), the τ between the AP-based ranking and the Q-based ranking is .970; the corresponding τ_{ap} is .961 when Q is taken as the gold standard and .960 when AP is taken as the gold standard. Since we have ample evidence that Q agrees well with AP and can handle graded relevance, we hereafter regard Q and nDCG as our primary metrics.

Table 9 presents our main results: For each metric, we selected the best T -run³ from each team and sorted the runs by effectiveness; then, every adjacent pair in the sorted list was tested for statistical significance, using a two-sided *paired bootstrap test* [12]⁴. Although we did not test statistical significance for *every* system pair, the table gives us a rough idea of how runs cluster together in terms of effectiveness. Rank changes before and after the bug fix are indicated by arrows: the only change is in the mean Q ranking, in which DLUT-EN-CS-03-T and QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T have been swapped. From this table, we can observe that:

- Among the 10 CS teams, KDEG, IMU, WHUCC, WHUQA, and DCU can be considered as the top performers (Note that Q and AP prefer KDEG to IMU, while nDCG prefers IMU);
- Among the 10 CS teams, KECIR, DLUT and QUTIS can be considered as middle performers; (Note that this middle group is not apparent in terms of AP, due to lack of a statistically significant difference with WUST. Also note that,

³A run that used only the information contained in the QUESTION field of each topic. The name of every such run has the “-T” suffix.

⁴Per-topic performance values of *all* submitted runs were released to the participants, so they can conduct a significance test of their choice for any of the runs.

after the bug fix, AP prefers DLUT to QUTIS, while Q and nDCG prefer QUTIS.)

- Among the 3 JA teams, LTI and BRKLY can be considered as the “top” performers (since the difference between these teams is not statistically significant);
- Similarly, among the 3 CT teams, KDEG is the top performer, and QUTIS is the middle performer.

Table 10 shows the *system descriptions* of the runs shown in the nDCG columns of Table 9. These texts were extracted from the submitted IR4QA run files⁵.

We also examined the “hardness” of each topic, by averaging the per-topic metric values over all runs. Figures 1-3 visualise the average AP, Q and nDCG values per topic (using bug-fixed qrels for CS and JA, CT using pool-depth-100 qrels for CT). It can be observed that the cross-topic variances are very high.

Table 11 shows how two effectiveness metrics agree with each other when *topics* are ranked by the average effectiveness across runs. It can be observed that a topic ranking by Q is similar to that by AP. That is, a “hard” topic in terms of Q is also hard in terms of AP. Whereas, nDCG behaves a little differently. This is because Q and AP penalise low-recall ranked lists more heavily than nDCG does.

All of the above observations on correlations among the three metrics are consistent with previous findings (e.g. [13, 15]).

Tables 12-16 show the coverage of relevant documents summed across topics for each run and for each team (using bug-fixed qrels for CS and JA, CT using pool-depth-100 qrels for CT). “The best coverage awards” go to:

- KDEG for CS (for managing to cover 5180/5416=96% of known relevant documents listed up in Table 29);
- BRKLY for JA (for managing to cover 7463/8136=92% of know relevant documents listed up in Table 30);
- KDEG again for CT (for managing to cover 5258/5490=96% of known relevant documents listed up in Table 31).

The above percentages are extremely high, and suggest that the IR4QA test collections may be very incomplete: there may be many relevant documents not yet identified in the document collections.

Perhaps more interesting than coverage is the number of *unique* relevant documents found by a run or a team. Tables 17-21 show the statistics (all based on pool-depth-100 qrels). As can be seen, “the uniqueness awards” go to:

- QUTIS for CS;
- BRKLY for JA;
- KDEG for CT.

Table 17 deserves a particular attention: it shows that WHUQA, IMU, DLUT and CYUT did not contribute any unique relevant documents. Hence, even though the ACLIA2 IR4QA CS test collection was constructed based on run submissions from 10 teams, the relevant documents thus obtained are identical to those that

⁵System descriptions of all runs were also released to the participants.

could have been obtained by relying on only 6 teams, namely, QUTIS, WHUCC, KECIR, WUST, KDEG and DCU.

Note, however, that the run contributions from the aforementioned 4 teams are still valuable: for NTCIR IR4QA, even these runs have the following effects:

- They affect the order of the relevance assessments, as assessors assess “popular” documents first (See Section 2);
- They affect the accuracy of our system ranking forecasts, as our pseudo-qrels also rely on popularity (See Section 5).

Table 3. CS run results based on true grels: mean effectiveness over 73 topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.4407	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.4779	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6761
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4390	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4764	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.6727
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4266	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4628	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6674
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4139	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4528	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.6629
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4128	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4499	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.6580
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.4114	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.4480	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.6577
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4111	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4464	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.6575
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.4055	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.4458	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6509
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.4032	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.4394	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6466
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.3964	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4323	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6433
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.3912	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.4244	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.6346
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.3867	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.4239	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.6345
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3782	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.4163	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.6257
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.3776	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.4133	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.6139
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.3710	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.4085	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.6072
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.3555	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.3930	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.6060
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.3530	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.3889	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.5989
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.3529	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.3889	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.5987
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3502	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3848	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.5985
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3333	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.3680	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.5903
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3312	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3658	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5882
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.3312	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.3649	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.5861
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.3305	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3608	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.5791
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.3289	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.3608	IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.5720
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.3198	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.3607	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.5703
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.3190	DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.3546	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.5630
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.3188	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.3540	DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.5602
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.3184	IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.3540	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.5561
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.3158	DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.3522	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.5561
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3152	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3462	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.5518
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.3077	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.3451	DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.5489
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.2777	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.3171	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.5400
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.2767	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.3106	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.5284
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.2752	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.3100	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.5246
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.2723	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.3086	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.5245
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.2662	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.3020	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.5127
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.2661	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.3020	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.5087
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2647	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.2886	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.5083
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.2504	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2871	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.4819
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.2280	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.2607	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.4578
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.1996	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2263	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.4290
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.1955	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.2225	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.4152
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.1673	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.1967	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.4028
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.1562	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.1817	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.3933
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.1445	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.1689	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.3622
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.1434	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.1674	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.3527
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.1420	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.1562	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.2916
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1036	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1204	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.2810

Table 4. CS run results based on true qrels: mean effectiveness over 73 topics (AFTER bug fix). (Arrows indicate rank changes compared to the results BEFORE bug fix.)

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.4488	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.4876	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6835
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4471	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4865	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.6809
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4333	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4711	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6759
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4209	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4610	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.6706
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4196	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4583	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.6655
DCU-CS-CS-01-T↑ 1	0.4187	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.4560	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.6653
IMU-CS-CS-02-T↓ 1	0.4178	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4557	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.6649
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.4120	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.4539	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6588
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.4098	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.4477	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6545
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4028	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4406	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6519
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.3970	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.4336	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.6424
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.3941	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.4307	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.6422
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3847	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.4243	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.6327
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.3847	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.4220	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.6200
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.3760	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.4143	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.6147
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.3605	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.3987	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.6136
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T↑ 1	0.3603	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.3980	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T↑ 1	0.6063
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T↓ 1	0.3603	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.3979	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T↑ 1	0.6060
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3569	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.3930	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T↓ 2	0.6050
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3411	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.3766	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.5981
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T↑ 2	0.3378	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3749	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5952
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T↓ 1	0.3355	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.3719	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.5941
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T↓ 1	0.3355	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T↑ 2	0.3677	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.5870
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.3347	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T↓ 1	0.3667	IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.5780
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T↑ 2	0.3265	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T↓ 1	0.3667	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.5778
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.3260	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T↑ 1	0.3635	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.5695
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T↓ 2	0.3255	DCU-EN-CS-03-T↓ 1	0.3619	DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.5671
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.3231	DCU-CS-CS-02-T↑ 1	0.3614	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.5626
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.3215	IMU-EN-CS-01-T↓ 1	0.3596	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.5626
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3195	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T↑ 1	0.3546	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.5586
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.3154	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T↓ 1	0.3519	DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.5566
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T↑ 1	0.2833	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.3231	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.5466
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T↓ 1	0.2829	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.3193	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.5342
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.2800	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.3177	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.5322
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.2782	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.3143	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.5301
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.2709	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.3073	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.5190
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.2707	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.3072	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.5142
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2694	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.2942	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.5138
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.2546	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2930	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.4881
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.2284	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.2617	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.4597
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2036	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2313	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.4347
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.1995	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.2274	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.4210
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.1722	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.2029	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.4091
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.1579	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.1841	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.3980
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.1460	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.1741	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.3665
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T↑ 1	0.1459	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.1695	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.3581
WUST-EN-CS-02-T↓ 1	0.1435	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.1564	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.2920
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1037	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1206	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.2815

Table 5. JA run results based on true qrels: mean effectiveness over 94 topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.3893	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4001	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.5977
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.3888	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.3997	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.5971
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.3837	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.3965	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.5954
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.3829	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.3938	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.5895
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.3695	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.3832	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.5694
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.3270	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.3389	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.5335
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.3040	LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.3194	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.5266
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.3013	LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.3157	LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.5082
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.2981	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.3156	LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.5004
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.2888	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.2994	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.4962
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.2819	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.2991	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.4871
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.2732	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.2855	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.4781
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1719	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1788	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.3638
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.1708	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.1776	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.3613
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1413	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1438	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.2909
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1023	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1027	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.2565
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.0999	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.0985	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.2449

Table 6. JA run results based on true qrels: mean effectiveness over 94 topics (AFTER bug fix). (Arrows indicate rank changes compared to the results BEFORE bug fix.)

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4356	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4499	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.6571
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.4351	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.4494	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.6565
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.4293	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.4468	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.6544
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.4277	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.4428	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.6483
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4143	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4334	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.6290
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.3619	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.3793	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.5866
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.3458	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T↑ 2	0.3622	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.5779
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.3327	LTI-EN-JA-01-T↓ 1	0.3545	LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.5571
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.3293	LTI-EN-JA-02-T↓ 1	0.3506	LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.5492
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.3207	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.3366	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T↑ 1	0.5442
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.3074	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.3282	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T↓ 1	0.5416
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.2990	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.3155	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.5219
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1905	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1993	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.3982
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.1894	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.1982	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.3957
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1587	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1624	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.3132
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1119	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1121	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.2775
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.1097	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.1079	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.2657

Table 7. CT run results based on true qrels: mean effectiveness over (a) 86 topics (pool depth 50) and (b) 87 topics (pool depth 100).

	run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
(a) pool depth 50	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.4900	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.5263	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.7175
	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.4844	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.5242	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.7140
	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.4818	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.5227	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.7129
	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.4155	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.4539	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.6728
	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.3723	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.4100	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.6369
	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.3713	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.4006	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.5689
	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.3551	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.3822	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.5567
	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.3500	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.3765	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.5555
	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3231	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3569	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.5414
	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.2817	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.3087	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.4957
	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.2656	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.2957	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.4905
	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.2460	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.2728	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.4578
	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.2161	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.2501	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.4374
	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.1943	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.2218	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.3997
	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1941	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.2137	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3963
	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.1733	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.1923	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.3672
	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.1486	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.1677	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.3516
	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.1362	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.1509	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.3210
	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.1040	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.1167	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.2492
		run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run
(b) pool depth 100	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.4635	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.5013	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.7077
	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.4572	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.4977	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.7056
	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.4561	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.4952	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.7021
	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.3909	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.4274	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.6604
	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.3515	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.3840	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.6227
	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.3478	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.3791	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.5579
	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.3374	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.3638	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.5463
	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.3304	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.3568	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.5412
	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3027	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3354	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.5326
	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.2623	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.2879	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.4826
	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.2490	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.2761	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.4771
	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.2292	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.2539	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.4434
	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.2041	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.2369	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.4298
	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.1834	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.2078	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.3910
	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1753	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1945	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3847
	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.1555	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.1740	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.3547
	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.1322	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.1495	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.3348
	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.1204	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.1346	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.3071
	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.0947	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.1073	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.2404

Table 8. τ and τ_{ap} rank correlation: system rankings by different metrics. For convenience, values higher than .9 are shown in bold.

		AP	Q	nDCG
CS (BEFORE bug fix)	AP	1/1	.970/.961	.906/.838
	Q	.970/.960	1/1	.922/.864
	nDCG	.906/.824	.922/.844	1/1
CS (AFTER bug fix)	AP	1/1	.970/.957	.904/.832
	Q	.970/.957	1/1	.924/.863
	nDCG	.904/.817	.924/.844	1/1
JA (BEFORE bug fix)	AP	1/1	.956/.925	.882/.860
	Q	.956/.927	1/1	.926/.936
	nDCG	.882/.863	.926/.930	1/1
JA (AFTER bug fix)	AP	1/1	.985/.958	.897/.872
	Q	.985/.958	1/1	.912/.913
	nDCG	.897/.872	.912/.913	1/1
CT (pool depth 50)	AP	1/1	.988/.978	.965/.908
	Q	.988/.978	1/1	.977/.931
	nDCG	.965/.908	.977/.931	1/1
CT (pool depth 100)	AP	1/1	.988/.978	.977/.964
	Q	.988/.978	1/1	.988/.986
	nDCG	.977/.964	.988/.986	1/1

Table 9. The best T-run from each team (CS, JA, CT with pool-depth-50 and pool-depth-100 assessments): “*” and “” indicate that a run significantly outperforms (at $\alpha = 0.05$ and $\alpha = 0.01$, respectively) than one shown immediately below according to a two-sided paired bootstrap test. Note, however, that pairwise statistical significance is not transitive. (Arrows indicate rank changes compared to the results BEFORE bug fix.)**

	run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
CS (BEFORE bug fix)	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4390	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4764	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6761
	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4266	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4628	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6674
	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4139	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4528	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.6629
	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4128	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4499	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6509
	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4111**	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4464**	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6466**
	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3333	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3658	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.5903
	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3312	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3608	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5882
	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.3198	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.3607*	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.5561**
	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2647	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2871	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.4819
	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.1996	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2263	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.4290
CS (AFTER bug fix)	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4471	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.4865	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6835
	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4333	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4711	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6759
	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4209	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4610	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.6706
	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.4196	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.4583	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.6588
	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4187**	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.4557**	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6545**
	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3411	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3749	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.5981
	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3355	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T [↑] 1	0.3677	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5952
	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.3255	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T [↓] 1	0.3667**	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.5626**
	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2694	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2930	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.4881
	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2036	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.2313	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.4347
JA (BEFORE bug fix)	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.3893	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4001	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.5977
	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.3695**	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.3832**	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.5694**
	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1719	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1788	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.3638
JA (AFTER bug fix)	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4356	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.4499	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.6571
	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4143**	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4334**	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.6290**
	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1905	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.1993	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.3982
CT (pool depth 50)	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.4844**	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.5242**	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.7140**
	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3231**	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3569**	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.5555**
	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1941	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.2137	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3963
CT (pool depth 100)	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.4572**	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.4977**	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.7056**
	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3027**	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.3354**	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.5412**
	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1753	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.1945	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3847

Table 10. The best T-run from each team in terms of Mean nDCG and their system descriptions.

CS runs	
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	(1) Word segmentation by ICTCLAS(free version) (2) Combined basic keyterm based query with PRF queries (3) Indri structure query with keyterm expansion based on baidu and synonyms dictionary (4) Rerank documents by interpolating the results from (2) and (3)
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	Ranking based on BB2 model
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	The system is based on bigram and BM25 model
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	index based on bi-grams and single Chinese character; BM25 retrieval model; query expansion based on RSV
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	Ranked based on language model feedback retrieval using collection mixture method and Dirichlet smoothing
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	We use okapi as ir model; and the MMD as reranking method.
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	Translation using four-stage Google search and Wikipedia English and Chinese page mapping; and combining the translation from translate.google.com. Choose the wikipedia page contain the word in the question; otherwise just ignore it. Index documents using single character and NGMI-segmented words Ranking using BM25 on ANT search engine. Apply frequency analysis on Chinese terms collection and Google translate; then form NGMI-segmented and unigram segmented query
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	enrich resources used by query expansion
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	VSM; query expansion
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	Lucene indexing; PRF; OKAPI BM25; Query Expansion based on OKAPI and Wikipedia; Translation from Google Translate and Wikipedia.
JA runs	
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	Indri (language model + inference network) with character-based index. Used phrase query operator for important terms. Relaxed the query with combine operator over all terms in the question.
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	Probabilistic retrieval based on logistic regression with blind feedback on QUESTION text only.
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	Lucene indexing; PRF; OKAPI BM25; Query Expansion based on OKAPI and Wikipedia; Translation from Google Translate and Wikipedia.
CT runs	
KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	Ranking based on BB2 model
QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	Translation using four-stage Google search and Wikipedia English and Chinese page mapping; and combining the translation from translate.google.com. Choose the wikipedia page contain the word in the question; otherwise just ignore it. Index documents using single character and NGMI-segmented words Ranking using BM25 on ANT search engine. Apply frequency analysis on Chinese terms collection and Google translate; then form NGMI-segmented and unigram segmented query
CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	Lucene indexing; PRF; OKAPI BM25; Query Expansion based on OKAPI and Wikipedia; Translation from Google Translate and Wikipedia.

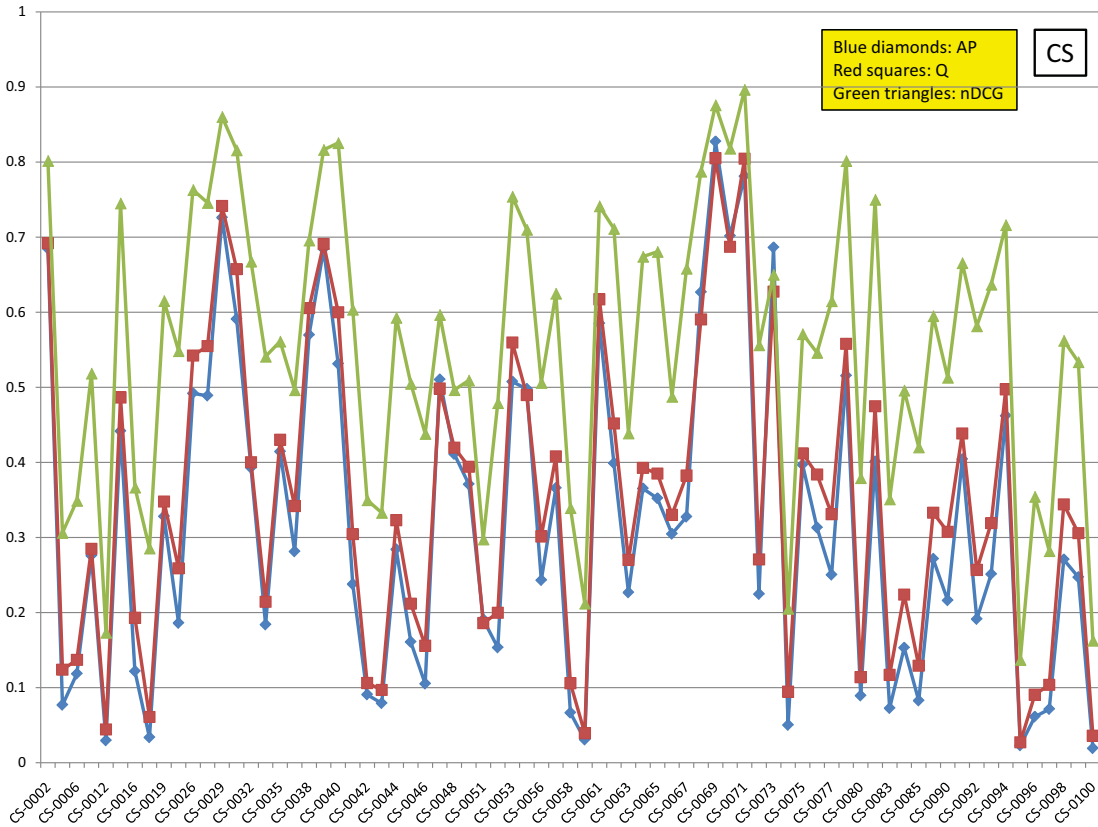


Figure 1. Per-topic AP, Q and nDCG averaged over 48 runs for the 73 CS topics (AFTER bug fix).

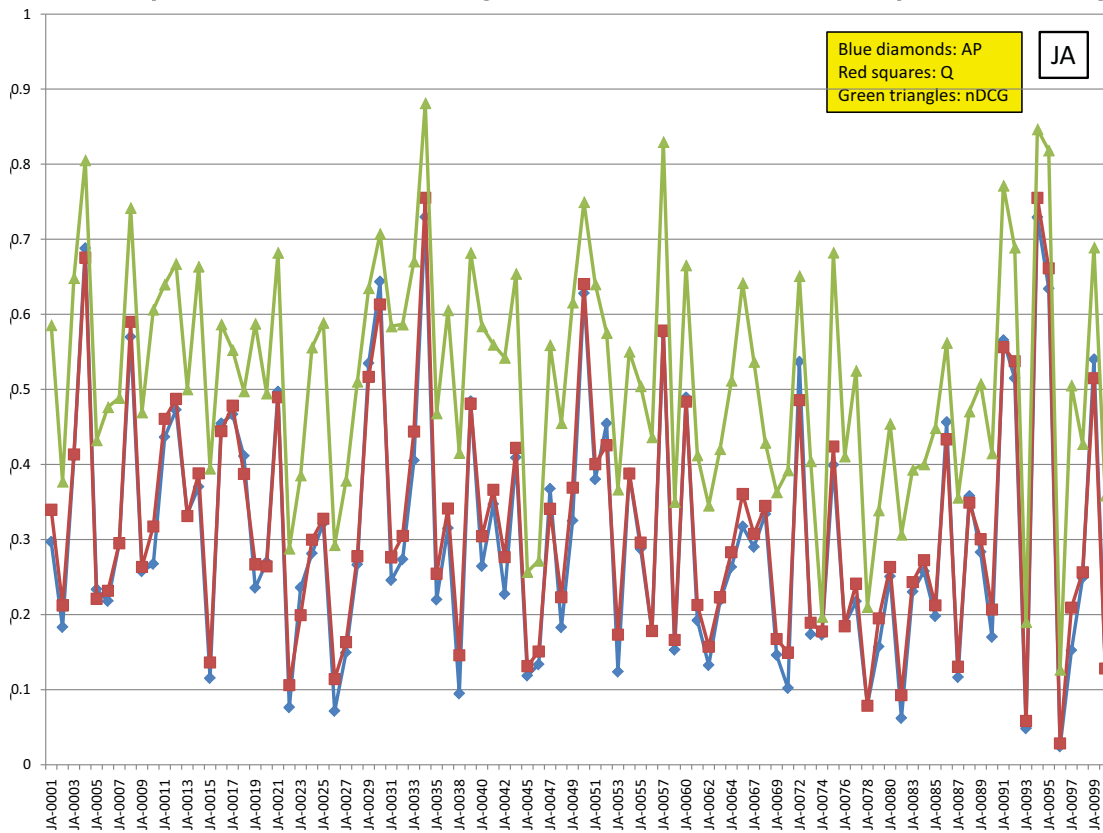


Figure 2. Per-topic AP, Q and nDCG averaged over 17 runs for the 94 JA topics (AFTER bug fix).

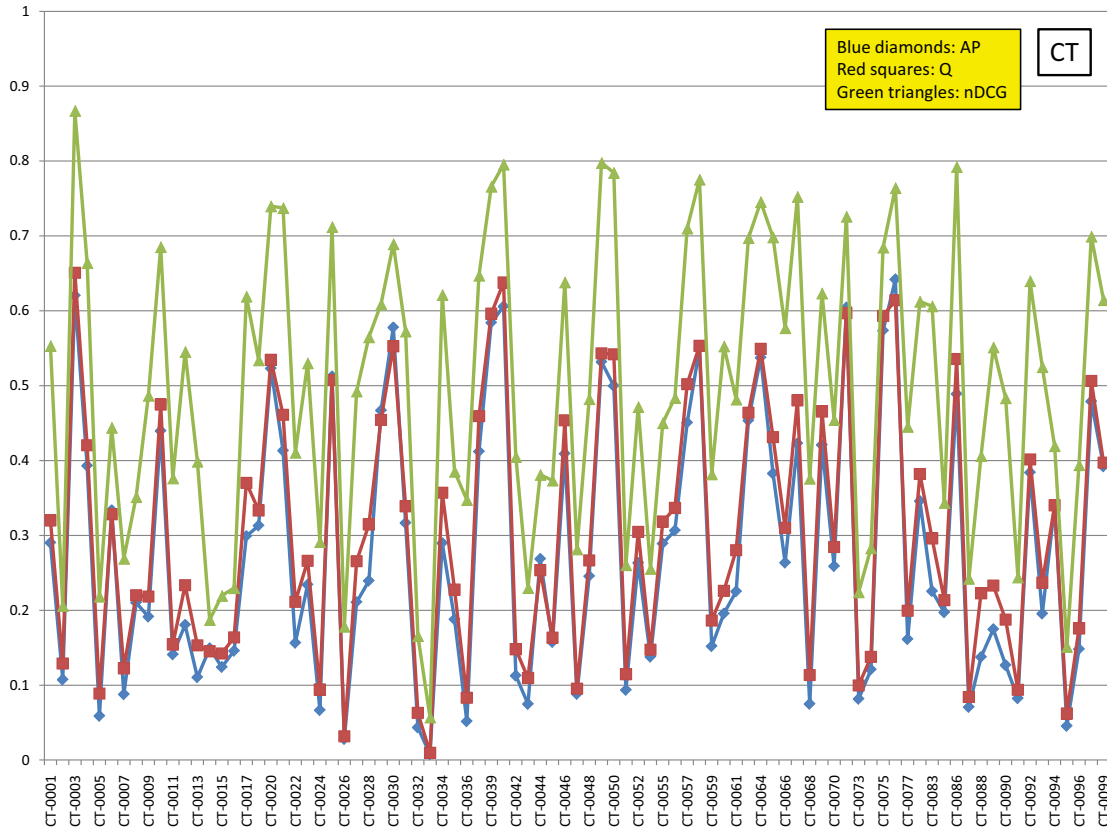


Figure 3. Per-topic AP, Q and nDCG averaged over 19 runs for the 87 CT topics (pool depth 100).

Table 11. τ and τ_{ap} rank correlation: topic rankings by different metrics. For convenience, values higher than .9 are shown in bold.

		AP	Q	nDCG
CS (BEFORE bug fix)	AP	1/1	.927/.883	.757/.679
	Q	.927/.888	1/1	.788/.705
	nDCG	.757/.703	.788/.723	1/1
CS (AFTER bug fix)	AP	1/1	.938/.907	.775/.685
	Q	.938/.909	1/1	.795/.703
	nDCG	.775/.709	.795/.721	1/1
JA (BEFORE bug fix)	AP	1/1	.914/.893	.763/.714
	Q	.914/.896	1/1	.822/.772
	nDCG	.763/.723	.822/.775	1/1
JA (AFTER bug fix)	AP	1/1	.922/.902	.744/.697
	Q	.922/.903	1/1	.796/.749
	nDCG	.744/.702	.796/.753	1/1
CT (pool depth 50)	AP	1/1	.918/.842	.750/.622
	Q	.918/.853	1/1	.802/.692
	nDCG	.750/.647	.802/.715	1/1
CT (pool depth 100)	AP	1/1	.932/.886	.756/.645
	Q	.932/.899	1/1	.798/.717
	nDCG	.756/.667	.798/.716	1/1

Table 12. Coverage of relevant documents summed across 73 CS topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run name	coverage.
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	4785
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	4772
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	4763
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	4750
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	4715
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	4690
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	4668
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	4644
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	4614
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	4613
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	4602
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	4507
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	4507
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	4468
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	4468
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	4449
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	4437
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	4428
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	4285
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	4268
WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	4261
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	4258
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	4243
WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	4216
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	4156
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	4144
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	4098
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	4040
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	3941
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	3932
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	3932
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	3845
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	3813
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	3757
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	3751
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	3649
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	3647
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	3647
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	3641
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	3306
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	3217
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	3150
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	3042
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	3023
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	2681
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	2315
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	2028
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	1940
team name	coverage.
KDEG	5177
DCU	5098
KECIR	5039
WHUQA	4988
IMU	4968
WHUCC	4900
QUTIS	4558
CYUT	3994
DLUT	3912
WUST	3760

Table 13. Coverage of relevant documents summed across 73 CS topics (AFTER bug fix).

run name	coverage.
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	4792
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	4778
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	4769
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	4756
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	4722
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	4697
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	4675
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	4651
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	4620
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	4618
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	4607
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	4514
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	4514
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	4474
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	4474
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	4455
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	4444
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	4434
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	4293
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	4276
WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	4268
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	4265
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	4248
WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	4223
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	4163
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	4151
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	4103
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	4046
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	3945
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	3936
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	3936
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	3852
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	3817
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	3762
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	3740
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	3653
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	3652
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	3652
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	3645
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	3311
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	3219
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	3156
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	3051
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	3025
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	2687
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	2320
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	2013
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	1926
team name	coverage.
KDEG	5180
DCU	5093
KECIR	5044
WHUQA	4993
IMU	4972
WHUCC	4907
QUTIS	4562
CYUT	3998
DLUT	3917
WUST	3752

Table 14. Coverage of relevant documents summed across 94 JA topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run name	coverage.
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	6515
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	6231
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	6226
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	6173
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	6087
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	5904
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	5722
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	5436
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	5386
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	5369
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	5354
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	5156
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	4670
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	4665
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	3426
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	3213
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	2964
team name	coverage.
BRKLY	7774
LTI	6924
CYUT	5611

Table 15. Coverage of relevant documents summed across 94 JA topics (AFTER bug fix).

run name	coverage.
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	6505
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	6271
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	6266
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	6210
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	6151
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	5892
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	5660
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	5424
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	5314
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	5280
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	5218
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	5010
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	4445
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	4440
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	3006
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	2787
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	2611
team name	coverage.
BRKLY	7463
LTI	6825
CYUT	5234

Table 16. Coverage of relevant documents summed across 87 CT topics (pool depth 100).

run name	coverage.
KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	4889
KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	4885
KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	4859
KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	4715
KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	4542
KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	4095
QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	4031
KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	3923
KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	3898
QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	3761
KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	3608
QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	3571
KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	3475
QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	3321
CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	2951
CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	2769
CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	2629
CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	2270
QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	1901
team name	coverage.
KDEG	5258
QUTIS	4589
CYUT	3414

Table 17. Unique relevant documents found summed across 73 CS topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run name	unique relevant
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	23
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	21
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	20
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	18
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	14
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	12
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	11
WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	8
WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	6
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	5
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	5
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	4
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	4
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	1
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	1
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	1
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0
team name	unique relevant
QUTIS	24
WHUCC	22
KECIR	20
WUST	5
KDEG	1
DCU	1
WHUQA	0
IMU	0
DLUT	0
CYUT	0

Table 18. Unique relevant documents found summed across 73 CS topics (AFTER bug fix).

run name	unique relevant
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	23
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	21
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	20
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	18
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	17
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	14
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	12
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	11
WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	8
WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	6
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	5
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	5
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	3
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	3
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	1
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	1
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	1
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	1
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0
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DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0
team name	unique relevant
QUTIS	24
WHUCC	22
KECIR	20
WUST	4
KDEG	1
DCU	1
WHUQA	0
IMU	0
DLUT	0
CYUT	0

Table 19. Unique relevant documents found summed across 94 JA topics (BEFORE bug fix).

run name	unique relevant
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	349
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	339
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	317
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	297
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	296
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	283
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	181
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	166
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	147
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	147
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	136
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	136
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	136
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	99
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	90
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	86
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	86
team name	unique relevant
BRKLY	499
CYUT	207
LTI	171

Table 20. Unique relevant documents found summed across 94 JA topics (AFTER bug fix).

run name	unique relevant
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	333
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	312
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	310
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	283
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	272
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	250
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	126
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	126
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	126
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	118
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	110
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	110
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	103
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	80
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	80
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	79
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	36
team name	unique relevant
BRKLY	425
LTI	151
CYUT	144

Table 21. Unique relevant documents found summed across 87 CT topics (pool depth 100).

run name	unique relevant
KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	385
KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	382
KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	369
KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	362
KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	343
KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	250
KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	242
KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	204
KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	202
KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	196
CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	76
CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	74
QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	58
CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	57
QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	56
CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	56
QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	34
QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	32
QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	30
team name	unique relevant
KDEG	420
CYUT	88
QUTIS	84

5. Run Ranking Forecasts

As mentioned earlier, we released run ranking forecasts to participants right after the run submission deadline, together with the system description of each run (See Table 10). The idea was to give participants “something to do” while they wait for the “true” rankings to arrive.

The way we created our pseudo-qrels files is very simple: We took the top 20% of each sorted depth-50 pool, and treated all of these documents as *L1-relevant*⁶. The assumption is that *documents retrieved by many runs at high ranks are relevant* [13, 16]. The value 20% was chosen because this yielded a total of 11606 “pseudo-relevant” documents across 100 CS topics, which is similar to the total number of truly relevant documents for the 97 CS topics from *NTCIR-7*, namely, 9488 documents (See [13] p.109 Table 35).

Tables 22-24 show the run ranking forecasts that were actually provided to the participants right after they submitted their runs. These tables should be compared with the “true” run rankings, shown in Tables 4, 6 and 7.

Table 25(a) shows the τ and τ_{ap} values for each pair of rankings based on the same effectiveness metric, one based on pseudo-qrels and the other based on true qrels. For computing YAR, the true ranking is taken as the ground truth. The correlation values are reasonably high for JA and CT, but it should be noted that our true qrels for these two test collections were created based on contributions from three teams only. That is, the JA and CT true qrels may be far from the “truth.” We plan to “add more runs” to the JA pools to investigate this issue further in the near future.

The correlation values for CS in Table 25(a) are not as high as was expected. For example, the τ for the CS rankings with nDCG is only .571, which is much lower than the corresponding value reported for *NTCIR-7* IR4QA CS, namely, .859. We first hypothesized that this is because, while our pseudo-qrels for CS had 100 topics, the final true qrels for CS had only 73 topics after removal of topics with few relevant documents, and this had affected the system ranking. (Whereas, at *NTCIR-7*, we retained as many as 97 CS topics.) However, this hypothesis is not supported: Table 25(b) compares system ranking forecasts produced after removing the topics with few relevant documents for all three test collections. Thus the pseudo-qrels and the true qrels use exactly the same topic set⁷. However, it can be observed that the correlation values are similar to those in (a). That is, the fact that we lost some topics after relevance assessments is not the primary cause of many prediction errors for CS. Then, what is?

Ideally, pseudo-qrels should be useful for quickly spotting very good and very bad approaches, both within the set of runs submitted by one team (within-team) and across different teams (cross-team). However, given the limited accuracy of the run ranking forecasts, they may not be very useful for within-team comparisons where the effectiveness values of runs tend to be similar to one another. Let us therefore discuss whether pseudo-qrels are useful for predicting cross-team results.

By comparing the run ranking forecasts (Tables 22-24) with the true rankings (Tables 4, 6 and 7) at the participating *team* level, we

⁶We used a similar approach at *NTCIR-7*, but used a fixed number of documents for every topic.

⁷Note that this is an artificial experiment just to separate out the effect of using different topic sets. Removing topics from pseudo-qrels based on the number of relevant documents is not practical.

can observe that:

- For CS, the forecast correctly identifies the top performer, namely, KDEG⁸. It also correctly identifies low performers. On the other hand, compared to Table 4, the forecast heavily overestimates DCU in Table 22: it believes that DCU is the second best CS team.
- For JA, as there are only three teams to rank, the forecast obtains the correct team ranking: LTI, BRKLY, CYUT.
- Similarly for CT, as there are only three teams to rank, the forecast obtains the correct team ranking: KDEG, QUTIS, CYUT.

Why teams like DCU get overestimated in the forecast is not entirely clear, but it is probably worth mentioning that DCU covered many relevant documents (See Table 12), and only one of these documents were a unique relevant (See Table 17). That is, DCU managed to find many relevant documents which other teams were also able to find: this seems to suggest the limitation of our popularity-based pseudo-qrels approach.

Did any of the participating teams actually find the forecasts useful at all? Should we continue distributing the forecasts? If so, what level of accuracy is required?

Figures 4-6 visualise the accuracy of our run ranking forecasts in terms of Mean Q and Mean nDCG. The horizontal axis represents runs sorted by “true” effectiveness values, shown as “diamonds” in the graphs. Whereas, the squares represent the effectiveness values computed based on the pseudo-qrels.

6. Conclusions

This paper presented an overview of *NTCIR-8* ACLIA IR4QA for retrieval of documents in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese or Japanese, which involved 12 participating teams and 84 runs. Some initial findings from the organisers’ point of view include:

- While 10 teams contributed CS runs, only 6 of them contributed unique relevant documents. Hence, diversifying runs is probably more important than increasing the number of participating teams in order to make our test collections less incomplete and more reusable.
- The top performing teams covered 92-96% of all known relevant documents. This suggests the possibility that our relevance assessments may be very incomplete. Incompleteness and reusability studies should be conducted with these test collections.
- The run ranking forecasts were not as accurate as was expected for CS runs. For example, a team that found many “popular” relevant documents was overestimated. On the other hand, the forecasts for CS successfully identified the top performing teams as well as the poor performers. For JA and CT, the three participating teams were correctly ranked by the pseudo-qrels.

⁸In contrast to the Q and AP rankings, the true nDCG ranking places IMU at the top in Table 3, but the difference between this run and the best KDEG run is negligible and statistically non-significant.

Finally, it appears that the questions we posed in our first IR4QA overview [13] remain largely unsolved at this point. We therefore copy and paste them here verbatim, as a reminder:

- What IR strategies work well for the purpose of QA, and for which languages? For example, does question classification help? How much?
- What are the general and language-specific challenges in crosslingual IR4QA?
- How incomplete are the IR4QA test collections? Are they reusable to some extent?
- If we conduct additional relevance assessments, how would that change the above circumstances?
- What are the best evaluation methods for IR4QA?
- How are IR4QA evaluation and the entire QA evaluation correlated?

We would like to discuss these questions with the IR4QA participants, as well as other attendees at the NTCIR-8 workshop.

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Table 22. CS run results based on pseudo-qrels: mean effectiveness over 100 topics.

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6404	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.6639	KDEG-CS-CS-01-T	0.8265
KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.6369	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.6591	KDEG-CS-CS-03-T	0.8177
DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6306	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6525	DCU-CS-CS-01-T	0.8170
KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.6173	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.6406	KDEG-CS-CS-02-DN	0.8090
KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.6101	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.6334	KDEG-EN-CS-01-T	0.8089
KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.5991	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.6231	KDEG-EN-CS-02-DN	0.8003
KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.5944	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.6162	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.7926
IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.5901	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.6107	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.7925
DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.5840	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.6066	DCU-EN-CS-02-T	0.7898
WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.5830	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.6042	KDEG-EN-CS-03-T	0.7885
KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.5784	KDEG-CS-CS-04-T	0.6031	IMU-CS-CS-01-T	0.7800
KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.5781	KDEG-CS-CS-05-T	0.6027	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.7676
WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.5761	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.5983	DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.7674
IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.5569	IMU-CS-CS-03-T	0.5797	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.7670
DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.5476	DCU-EN-CS-03-T	0.5715	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.7667
KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.5413	KDEG-EN-CS-04-T	0.5657	WHUQA-CS-CS-02-T	0.7619
KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.5407	KDEG-EN-CS-05-T	0.5651	WHUQA-CS-CS-01-T	0.7605
QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5305	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.5548	QUTIS-EN-CS-04-T	0.7542
IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.5278	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.5511	WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	0.7375
WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	0.5186	WHUCC-CS-CS-01-T	0.5413	IMU-CS-CS-02-T	0.7351
WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.5162	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.5389	WHUCC-EN-CS-01-T	0.7337
WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.5134	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.5355	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.7215
WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.5051	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.5266	IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.7187
IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.5004	IMU-EN-CS-01-T	0.5234	WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	0.7153
WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.4884	WHUCC-EN-CS-02-T	0.5114	WHUQA-EN-CS-02-T	0.7116
WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	0.4834	WHUCC-CS-CS-02-T	0.5066	DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.7093
DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.4826	DCU-CS-CS-02-T	0.5059	WHUQA-EN-CS-01-T	0.7018
WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.4478	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.4705	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.6892
QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.4343	QUTIS-EN-CS-05-T	0.4600	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.6794
QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.4257	QUTIS-EN-CS-03-T	0.4503	WHUCC-EN-CS-03-T	0.6778
DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.3882	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.4114	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.6533
DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.3882	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.4114	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.6470
DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3817	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.4052	DLUT-EN-CS-03-T	0.6461
KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.3406	KECIR-CS-CS-01-T	0.3722	DLUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.6461
DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.3344	KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.3642	DLUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.6394
KECIR-CS-CS-02-T	0.3327	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.3581	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.6273
CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3315	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.3517	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.6007
KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.3237	KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3511	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.5793
KECIR-CS-CS-03-T	0.3196	KECIR-CS-CS-04-T	0.3481	DCU-EN-CS-01-T	0.5715
CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.3193	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.3408	CYUT-EN-CS-02-T	0.5645
QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.2895	KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.3088	CYUT-EN-CS-01-T	0.5625
CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.2869	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.3077	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.5325
KECIR-CS-CS-05-T	0.2824	CYUT-EN-CS-04-DN	0.3070	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.5293
WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2758	WUST-CS-CS-01-T	0.2984	QUTIS-EN-CS-02-T	0.5024
QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.2660	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.2817	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.4867
CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.2531	CYUT-EN-CS-03-D	0.2722	QUTIS-EN-CS-01-T	0.4608
WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.1609	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1714	WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.3671
WUST-EN-CS-01-T	0.1589	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.1704	WUST-EN-CS-02-T	0.3229

Table 23. JA run results based on pseudo-qrels: mean effectiveness over 100 topics.

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.5528	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.5724	LTI-JA-JA-01-T	0.7510
LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.5521	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.5717	LTI-JA-JA-02-T	0.7503
LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.5408	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.5605	LTI-JA-JA-03-T	0.7395
LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.5200	LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.5409	LTI-EN-JA-01-T	0.7273
LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.5159	LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.5364	LTI-EN-JA-02-T	0.7184
LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.4972	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.5168	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.7169
BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.4694	BRKLY-JA-JA-01-DN	0.4926	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.6968
BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4562	BRKLY-JA-JA-02-T	0.4799	LTI-EN-JA-03-T	0.6959
BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.4101	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.4328	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.6634
BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.3932	BRKLY-JA-JA-04-DN	0.4145	BRKLY-EN-JA-01-DN	0.6525
BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.3783	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.4005	BRKLY-JA-JA-05-T	0.6432
BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.3772	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.4005	BRKLY-EN-JA-02-T	0.6048
CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.2626	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.2772	CYUT-EN-JA-02-T	0.5100
CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.2619	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.2765	CYUT-EN-JA-01-T	0.5088
BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1809	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.1931	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.3711
CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.1640	CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1711	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.3628
CYUT-EN-JA-03-D	0.1640	CYUT-EN-JA-04-DN	0.1697	BRKLY-JA-JA-03-DN	0.3496

Table 24. CT run results based on pseudo-qrels: mean effectiveness over 100 topics.

run	Mean AP	run	Mean Q	run	Mean nDCG
KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.6629	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.6819	KDEG-CT-CT-05-T	0.8292
KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.6508	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.6699	KDEG-CT-CT-01-T	0.8228
KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.6183	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.6369	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.7978
KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.6125	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.6320	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.7938
KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.6008	KDEG-CT-CT-02-DN	0.6222	KDEG-EN-CT-01-T	0.7936
KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.5924	KDEG-CT-CT-03-T	0.6155	KDEG-EN-CT-05-T	0.7930
KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.5610	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.5824	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.7651
KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.5434	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.5654	KDEG-EN-CT-03-T	0.7595
KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.5214	KDEG-CT-CT-04-T	0.5476	KDEG-EN-CT-02-DN	0.7593
QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.4750	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.5001	QUTIS-EN-CT-04-T	0.7211
KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.4661	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.4903	KDEG-EN-CT-04-T	0.7164
QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.3696	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.3934	QUTIS-EN-CT-03-T	0.6343
CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3278	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.3461	CYUT-EN-CT-02-T	0.5799
QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.3215	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.3422	QUTIS-EN-CT-02-T	0.5648
CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.3137	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.3303	CYUT-EN-CT-01-T	0.5535
QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.2749	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.2940	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.5161
CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.2616	CYUT-EN-CT-04-DN	0.2771	QUTIS-EN-CT-01-T	0.5160
CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.2295	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.2437	CYUT-EN-CT-03-D	0.4663
QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.1391	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.1509	QUTIS-EN-CT-05-T	0.2998

Table 25. τ and τ_{ap} rank correlation: system rankings by pseudo-qrels vs those by true qrels, using the same effectiveness metric. (a) official forecast based on the original 100 topics; (b) “artificial” forecast using the pseudo-qrels but after removing the topics with few relevant documents.

		(a)	(b)
CS (AFTER bug fix)	AP	.578/.458	.583/.476
	Q	.603/.476	.610/.491
	nDCG	.571/.443	.599/.481
JA (AFTER bug fix)	AP	.765/.759	.779/.765
	Q	.765/.746	.779/.752
	nDCG	.750/.730	.765/.743
CT (pool depth 50)	AP	.801/.683	.801/.680
	Q	.789/.669	.789/.666
	nDCG	.813/.635	.778/.622
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	Q	.778/.558	.778/.555
	nDCG	.813/.635	.778/.622

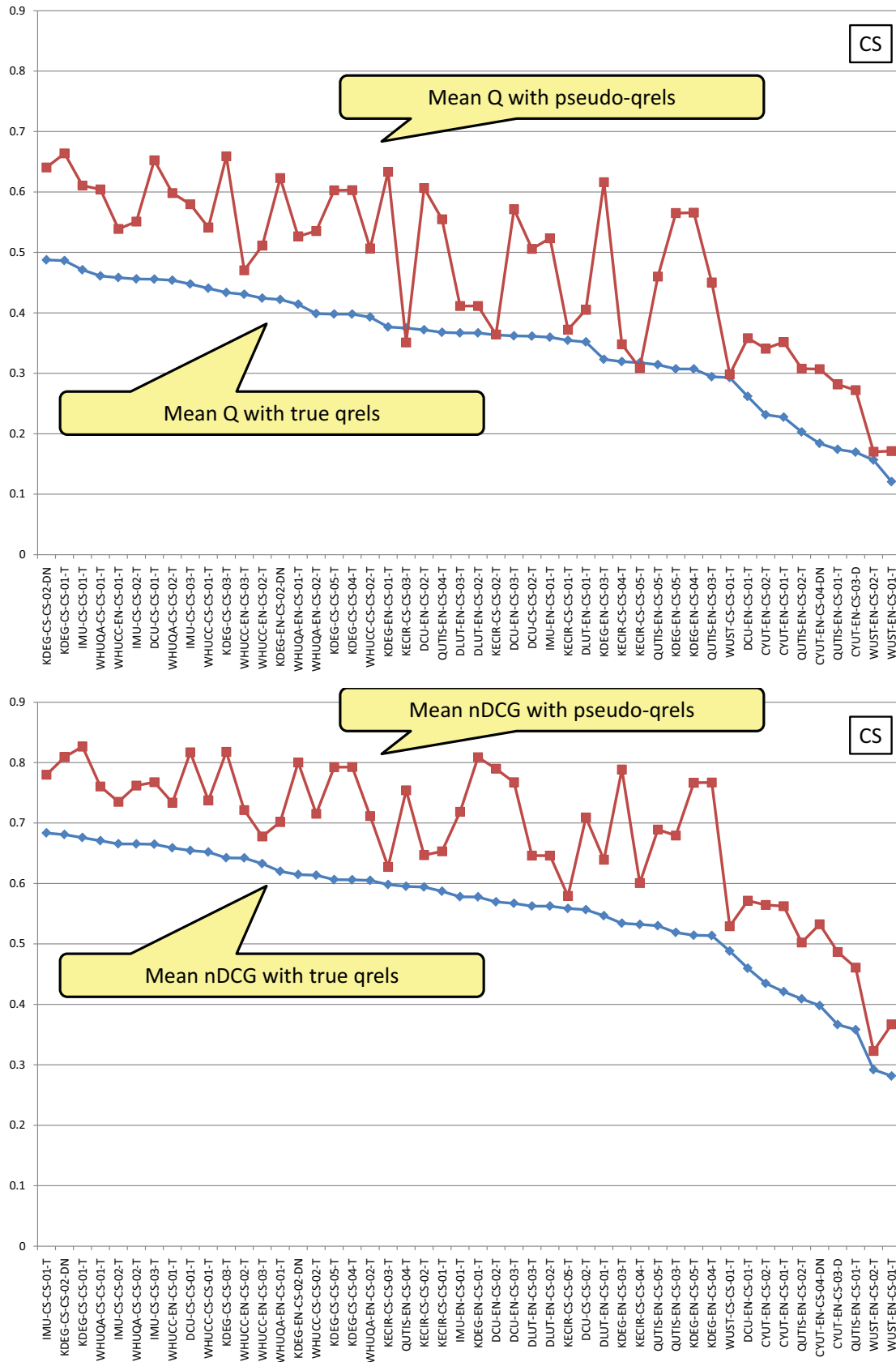


Figure 4. Accuracy of system ranking based on pseudo-qrels with the bug-fixed qrels as the ground truth (CS runs).

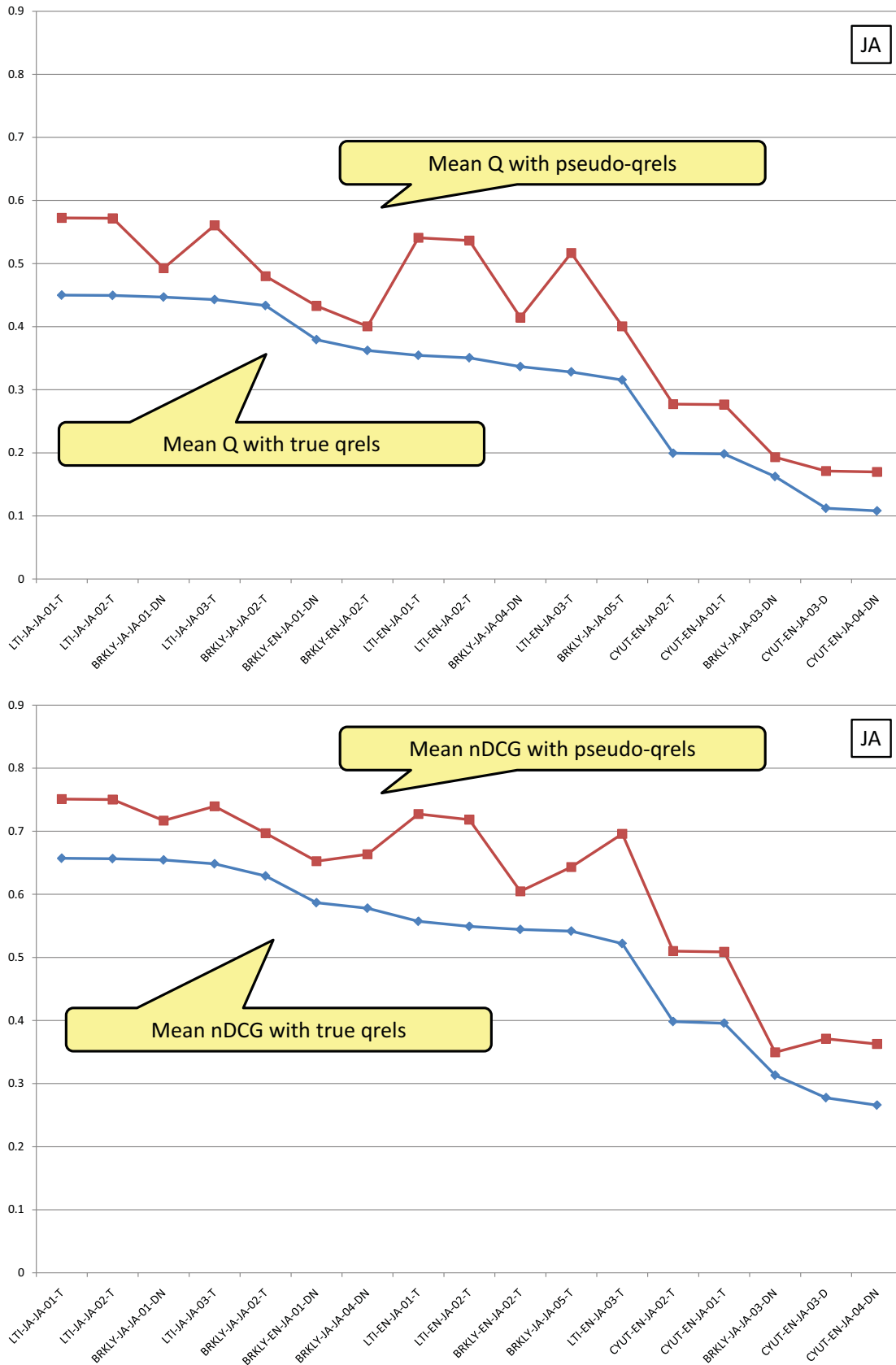


Figure 5. Accuracy of system ranking based on pseudo-qrels with the bug-fixed qrels as the ground truth (JA runs).

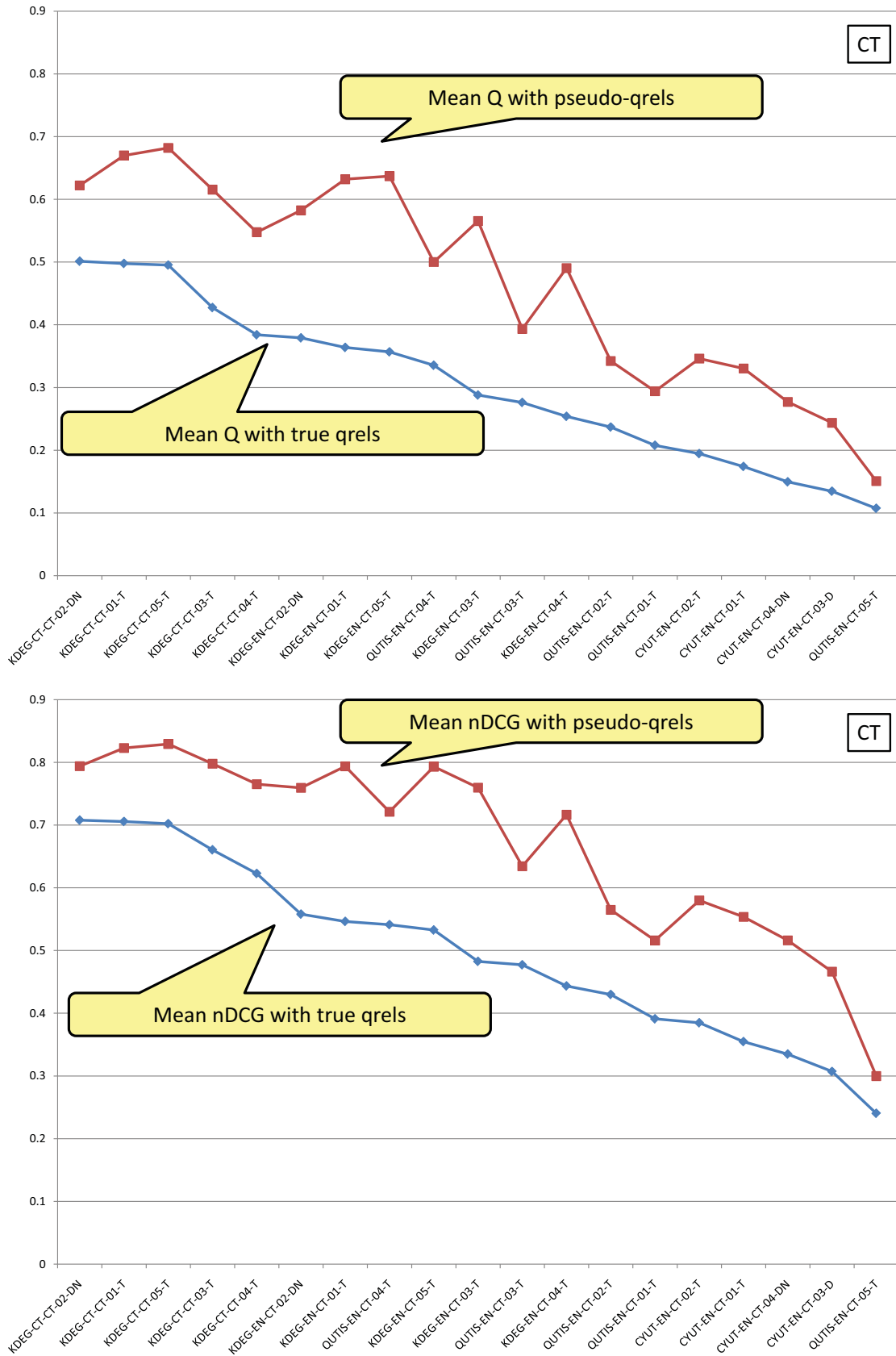


Figure 6. Accuracy of system ranking based on pseudo-qrels with the pool-depth-100 qrels as the ground truth (CT runs).

Table 26. Appendix: Pool size for the CS relevance assessments. For example, “CS-0001” represents the topic ACLIA2-CS-0001.

topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100	topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100
CS-0001	302	265	567	CS-0051	664	710	1374
CS-0002	316	309	625	CS-0052	185	166	351
CS-0003	457	435	892	CS-0053	439	545	984
CS-0004	805	868	1673	CS-0054	435	395	830
CS-0005	429	432	861	CS-0055	660	495	1155
CS-0006	371	245	616	CS-0056	582	706	1288
CS-0007	808	707	1515	CS-0057	604	582	1186
CS-0008	866	830	1696	CS-0058	409	310	719
CS-0009	766	580	1346	CS-0059	999	738	1737
CS-0010	672	684	1356	CS-0060	804	731	1535
CS-0011	738	756	1494	CS-0061	791	773	1564
CS-0012	737	619	1356	CS-0062	458	386	844
CS-0013	575	582	1157	CS-0063	702	621	1323
CS-0014	457	451	908	CS-0064	459	355	814
CS-0015	388	310	698	CS-0065	420	471	891
CS-0016	335	415	750	CS-0066	831	696	1527
CS-0017	529	638	1167	CS-0067	544	475	1019
CS-0018	733	450	1183	CS-0068	314	256	570
CS-0019	294	198	492	CS-0069	425	445	870
CS-0020	620	412	1032	CS-0070	538	597	1135
CS-0021	265	300	565	CS-0071	398	230	628
CS-0022	411	473	884	CS-0072	622	460	1082
CS-0023	376	318	694	CS-0073	539	796	1335
CS-0024	396	402	798	CS-0074	631	907	1538
CS-0025	941	792	1733	CS-0075	775	566	1341
CS-0026	404	378	782	CS-0076	603	421	1024
CS-0027	548	614	1162	CS-0077	486	278	764
CS-0028	326	282	608	CS-0078	343	288	631
CS-0029	356	243	599	CS-0079	1075	1040	2115
CS-0030	281	320	601	CS-0080	939	696	1635
CS-0031	571	453	1024	CS-0081	1013	863	1876
CS-0032	331	283	614	CS-0082	335	258	593
CS-0033	560	423	983	CS-0083	389	262	651
CS-0034	502	429	931	CS-0084	394	267	661
CS-0035	892	734	1626	CS-0085	679	442	1121
CS-0036	775	620	1395	CS-0086	454	350	804
CS-0037	703	629	1332	CS-0087	326	419	745
CS-0038	1098	1098	2196	CS-0088	604	643	1247
CS-0039	478	594	1072	CS-0089	1159	1068	2227
CS-0040	220	133	353	CS-0090	344	545	889
CS-0041	425	338	763	CS-0091	540	410	950
CS-0042	817	667	1484	CS-0092	563	414	977
CS-0043	907	766	1673	CS-0093	544	328	872
CS-0044	507	426	933	CS-0094	570	426	996
CS-0045	743	520	1263	CS-0095	854	811	1665
CS-0046	684	494	1178	CS-0096	797	591	1388
CS-0047	759	942	1701	CS-0097	724	484	1208
CS-0048	1110	1085	2195	CS-0098	342	274	616
CS-0049	1022	997	2019	CS-0099	428	317	745
CS-0050	403	348	751	CS-0100	500	377	877
total					58242	51971	110213

Table 27. Appendix: Pool size for the JA relevance assessments. For example, “JA-0001” represents the topic ACLIA2-JA-0001.

topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100	topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100
JA-0001	202	126	328	JA-0051	362	312	674
JA-0002	368	393	761	JA-0052	281	319	600
JA-0003	297	220	517	JA-0053	193	207	400
JA-0004	192	129	321	JA-0054	306	350	656
JA-0005	360	338	698	JA-0055	417	391	808
JA-0006	345	343	688	JA-0056	345	312	657
JA-0007	337	298	635	JA-0057	178	163	341
JA-0008	233	263	496	JA-0058	416	398	814
JA-0009	337	313	650	JA-0059	459	456	915
JA-0010	239	190	429	JA-0060	324	256	580
JA-0011	353	328	681	JA-0061	200	232	432
JA-0012	212	169	381	JA-0062	459	458	917
JA-0013	342	355	697	JA-0063	499	446	945
JA-0014	229	239	468	JA-0064	362	374	736
JA-0015	307	283	590	JA-0065	263	248	511
JA-0016	333	268	601	JA-0066	489	473	962
JA-0017	354	329	683	JA-0067	257	237	494
JA-0018	310	280	590	JA-0068	383	388	771
JA-0019	296	281	577	JA-0069	436	400	836
JA-0020	372	341	713	JA-0070	230	201	431
JA-0021	262	181	443	JA-0071	435	393	828
JA-0022	198	114	312	JA-0072	448	460	908
JA-0023	402	355	757	JA-0073	354	340	694
JA-0024	316	279	595	JA-0074	503	463	966
JA-0025	293	263	556	JA-0075	269	309	578
JA-0026	174	234	408	JA-0076	329	316	645
JA-0027	377	346	723	JA-0077	331	297	628
JA-0028	269	275	544	JA-0078	442	408	850
JA-0029	206	237	443	JA-0079	405	382	787
JA-0030	326	318	644	JA-0080	357	368	725
JA-0031	188	196	384	JA-0081	344	310	654
JA-0032	238	252	490	JA-0082	402	421	823
JA-0033	346	296	642	JA-0083	405	402	807
JA-0034	205	138	343	JA-0084	378	351	729
JA-0035	263	317	580	JA-0085	323	307	630
JA-0036	237	239	476	JA-0086	359	371	730
JA-0037	344	357	701	JA-0087	408	361	769
JA-0038	233	162	395	JA-0088	336	341	677
JA-0039	245	343	588	JA-0089	282	289	571
JA-0040	262	208	470	JA-0090	402	432	834
JA-0041	269	245	514	JA-0091	185	164	349
JA-0042	288	238	526	JA-0092	342	406	748
JA-0043	264	355	619	JA-0093	361	393	754
JA-0044	171	132	303	JA-0094	291	327	618
JA-0045	462	418	880	JA-0095	183	178	361
JA-0046	453	422	875	JA-0096	424	378	802
JA-0047	321	320	641	JA-0097	201	207	408
JA-0048	263	208	471	JA-0098	296	258	554
JA-0049	183	202	385	JA-0099	187	192	379
JA-0050	146	139	285	JA-0100	354	304	658
total					31417	30024	61441

Table 28. Appendix: Pool size for the CT relevance assessments. For example, “CT-0001” represents the topic ACLIA2-CT-0001.

topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100	topic	depth 50	residual	depth 100
CT-0001	360	286	646	CT-0051	467	431	898
CT-0002	372	357	729	CT-0052	395	321	716
CT-0003	178	144	322	CT-0053	540	491	1031
CT-0004	250	265	515	CT-0054	374	440	814
CT-0005	466	353	819	CT-0055	438	409	847
CT-0006	390	446	836	CT-0056	368	343	711
CT-0007	521	430	951	CT-0057	182	209	391
CT-0008	496	452	948	CT-0058	194	251	445
CT-0009	355	323	678	CT-0059	368	349	717
CT-0010	257	283	540	CT-0060	356	256	612
CT-0011	387	366	753	CT-0061	238	221	459
CT-0012	294	259	553	CT-0062	308	413	721
CT-0013	333	285	618	CT-0063	197	178	375
CT-0014	469	442	911	CT-0064	194	257	451
CT-0015	576	489	1065	CT-0065	189	156	345
CT-0016	413	383	796	CT-0066	331	321	652
CT-0017	250	176	426	CT-0067	174	168	342
CT-0018	361	283	644	CT-0068	256	194	450
CT-0019	423	298	721	CT-0069	305	355	660
CT-0020	268	248	516	CT-0070	472	392	864
CT-0021	262	209	471	CT-0071	179	151	330
CT-0022	316	257	573	CT-0072	226	196	422
CT-0023	349	296	645	CT-0073	463	416	879
CT-0024	409	374	783	CT-0074	329	327	656
CT-0025	256	234	490	CT-0075	356	421	777
CT-0026	463	386	849	CT-0076	161	302	463
CT-0027	207	198	405	CT-0077	206	249	455
CT-0028	241	195	436	CT-0078	277	302	579
CT-0029	417	409	826	CT-0079	367	372	739
CT-0030	284	405	689	CT-0080	297	278	575
CT-0031	327	374	701	CT-0081	420	398	818
CT-0032	435	393	828	CT-0082	373	331	704
CT-0033	512	441	953	CT-0083	201	176	377
CT-0034	195	227	422	CT-0084	438	389	827
CT-0035	363	319	682	CT-0085	316	353	669
CT-0036	441	309	750	CT-0086	187	233	420
CT-0037	218	217	435	CT-0087	364	285	649
CT-0038	378	342	720	CT-0088	168	206	374
CT-0039	205	213	418	CT-0089	291	261	552
CT-0040	334	247	581	CT-0090	282	191	473
CT-0041	363	427	790	CT-0091	455	419	874
CT-0042	257	196	453	CT-0092	193	232	425
CT-0043	430	428	858	CT-0093	314	255	569
CT-0044	379	390	769	CT-0094	360	290	650
CT-0045	435	376	811	CT-0095	346	337	683
CT-0046	363	350	713	CT-0096	401	383	784
CT-0047	521	500	1021	CT-0097	289	259	548
CT-0048	299	295	594	CT-0098	408	365	773
CT-0049	243	204	447	CT-0099	332	351	683
CT-0050	121	85	206	CT-0100	428	418	846
total					33215	31165	64380

Table 29. Appendix: Number of judged nonrelevant (*L0*) and judged relevant (*L1* and *L2*) documents for the 73 CS topics (AFTER bug fix).

	<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged		<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged
CS-0002	614	6	5	11	625	CS-0059	1666	21	50	71	1737
CS-0005	855	1	5	6	861	CS-0061	1550	0	14	14	1564
CS-0006	608	3	5	8	616	CS-0062	625	0	219	219	844
CS-0009	752	0	594	594	1346	CS-0063	1317	1	5	6	1323
CS-0012	1350	5	1	6	1356	CS-0064	719	77	18	95	814
CS-0015	483	2	213	215	698	CS-0065	787	37	67	104	891
CS-0016	745	0	5	5	750	CS-0066	1448	0	79	79	1527
CS-0018	1158	12	13	25	1183	CS-0067	937	0	82	82	1019
CS-0019	441	44	7	51	492	CS-0068	471	39	60	99	570
CS-0023	672	1	21	22	694	CS-0069	851	5	14	19	870
CS-0026	690	1	91	92	782	CS-0070	1115	8	12	20	1135
CS-0028	595	0	13	13	608	CS-0071	276	13	339	352	628
CS-0029	399	13	187	200	599	CS-0072	1047	35	0	35	1082
CS-0030	586	0	15	15	601	CS-0073	1318	15	2	17	1335
CS-0032	569	22	23	45	614	CS-0074	1533	1	4	5	1538
CS-0033	813	168	2	170	983	CS-0075	874	0	467	467	1341
CS-0035	1614	11	1	12	1626	CS-0076	1018	0	6	6	1024
CS-0036	1390	0	5	5	1395	CS-0077	691	5	68	73	764
CS-0038	2191	0	5	5	2196	CS-0078	506	8	117	125	631
CS-0039	1053	14	5	19	1072	CS-0080	1498	15	122	137	1635
CS-0040	279	0	74	74	353	CS-0082	525	25	43	68	593
CS-0041	587	0	176	176	763	CS-0083	642	5	4	9	651
CS-0042	1403	60	21	81	1484	CS-0084	644	3	14	17	661
CS-0043	1600	66	7	73	1673	CS-0085	1071	12	38	50	1121
CS-0044	905	17	11	28	933	CS-0087	710	8	27	35	745
CS-0045	1196	0	67	67	1263	CS-0090	879	1	9	10	889
CS-0046	1138	4	36	40	1178	CS-0091	763	9	178	187	950
CS-0047	1664	34	3	37	1701	CS-0092	881	1	95	96	977
CS-0048	2188	1	6	7	2195	CS-0093	745	5	122	127	872
CS-0049	2011	0	8	8	2019	CS-0094	693	11	292	303	996
CS-0051	1368	4	2	6	1374	CS-0095	1571	66	28	94	1665
CS-0052	339	12	0	12	351	CS-0096	1318	15	55	70	1388
CS-0053	969	7	8	15	984	CS-0097	1191	0	17	17	1208
CS-0054	751	64	15	79	830	CS-0098	599	3	14	17	616
CS-0056	1273	0	15	15	1288	CS-0099	738	0	7	7	745
CS-0057	1163	0	23	23	1186	CS-0100	872	0	5	5	877
CS-0058	700	9	10	19	719						
						total	71201	1025	4391	5416	76617

Table 30. Appendix: Number of judged nonrelevant (*L0*) and judged relevant (*L1* and *L2*) documents for the 94 JA topics (AFTER bug fix).

	<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged		<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged
JA-0001	269	51	8	59	328	JA-0050	240	44	1	45	285
JA-0002	718	34	9	43	761	JA-0051	360	76	238	314	674
JA-0003	380	113	24	137	517	JA-0052	508	57	35	92	600
JA-0004	138	46	137	183	321	JA-0053	391	2	7	9	400
JA-0005	416	240	42	282	698	JA-0054	625	27	4	31	656
JA-0006	626	59	3	62	688	JA-0055	775	27	6	33	808
JA-0007	457	90	88	178	635	JA-0056	633	19	5	24	657
JA-0008	448	4	44	48	496	JA-0057	218	91	32	123	341
JA-0009	483	59	108	167	650	JA-0058	736	6	72	78	814
JA-0010	372	33	24	57	429	JA-0060	418	133	29	162	580
JA-0011	523	11	147	158	681	JA-0061	412	5	15	20	432
JA-0012	294	65	22	87	381	JA-0062	901	5	11	16	917
JA-0013	620	65	12	77	697	JA-0063	511	84	350	434	945
JA-0014	403	38	27	65	468	JA-0064	668	52	16	68	736
JA-0015	518	47	25	72	590	JA-0065	399	21	91	112	511
JA-0016	451	105	45	150	601	JA-0067	483	6	5	11	494
JA-0017	485	198	0	198	683	JA-0068	765	6	0	6	771
JA-0018	334	222	34	256	590	JA-0069	748	38	50	88	836
JA-0019	499	67	11	78	577	JA-0070	416	6	9	15	431
JA-0020	574	118	21	139	713	JA-0072	899	7	2	9	908
JA-0021	240	183	20	203	443	JA-0073	654	37	3	40	694
JA-0022	303	4	5	9	312	JA-0074	961	0	5	5	966
JA-0023	149	538	70	608	757	JA-0075	532	43	3	46	578
JA-0024	475	54	66	120	595	JA-0076	549	79	17	96	645
JA-0025	378	84	94	178	556	JA-0077	599	28	1	29	628
JA-0026	396	7	5	12	408	JA-0078	787	53	10	63	850
JA-0027	610	99	14	113	723	JA-0079	781	1	5	6	787
JA-0028	504	25	15	40	544	JA-0080	699	13	13	26	725
JA-0029	394	24	25	49	443	JA-0081	639	5	10	15	654
JA-0030	636	3	5	8	644	JA-0083	787	3	17	20	807
JA-0031	300	40	44	84	384	JA-0084	605	23	101	124	729
JA-0032	395	29	66	95	490	JA-0085	442	33	155	188	630
JA-0033	443	28	171	199	642	JA-0086	725	3	2	5	730
JA-0034	53	10	280	290	343	JA-0087	739	21	9	30	769
JA-0035	551	13	16	29	580	JA-0088	668	6	3	9	677
JA-0036	397	22	57	79	476	JA-0089	516	50	5	55	571
JA-0038	362	28	5	33	395	JA-0090	804	0	30	30	834
JA-0039	555	20	13	33	588	JA-0091	150	104	95	199	349
JA-0040	424	26	20	46	470	JA-0092	735	4	9	13	748
JA-0041	474	38	2	40	514	JA-0093	742	12	0	12	754
JA-0042	510	9	7	16	526	JA-0094	601	1	16	17	618
JA-0044	261	37	5	42	303	JA-0095	217	13	131	144	361
JA-0045	823	51	6	57	880	JA-0096	777	25	0	25	802
JA-0046	855	20	0	20	875	JA-0097	384	11	13	24	408
JA-0047	624	14	3	17	641	JA-0098	478	48	28	76	554
JA-0048	456	15	0	15	471	JA-0099	297	68	11	79	376
JA-0049	374	11	0	11	385	JA-0100	530	58	70	128	658
	total	48454	4551	3585						8136	56590

Table 31. Appendix: Number of judged nonrelevant (*L0*) and judged relevant (*L1* and *L2*) documents for the 87 CT topics.

	<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged		<i>L0</i>	<i>L1</i>	<i>L2</i>	#relevant	#judged
CT-0001	548	34	64	98	646	CT-0048	553	21	20	41	594
CT-0002	706	14	9	23	729	CT-0049	205	202	40	242	447
CT-0003	109	213	0	213	322	CT-0050	162	43	1	44	206
CT-0004	491	10	14	24	515	CT-0051	870	27	1	28	898
CT-0005	808	4	7	11	819	CT-0052	635	0	81	81	716
CT-0006	784	48	4	52	836	CT-0053	988	21	22	43	1031
CT-0007	871	3	77	80	951	CT-0055	732	24	91	115	847
CT-0008	804	18	126	144	948	CT-0056	577	1	133	134	711
CT-0009	600	44	34	78	678	CT-0057	365	2	24	26	391
CT-0010	485	21	34	55	540	CT-0058	357	77	11	88	445
CT-0011	705	17	31	48	753	CT-0059	684	22	11	33	717
CT-0012	514	16	23	39	553	CT-0060	464	146	2	148	612
CT-0013	584	10	24	34	618	CT-0061	444	0	15	15	459
CT-0014	869	34	8	42	911	CT-0063	277	44	37	81	358
CT-0015	1044	0	21	21	1065	CT-0064	332	12	107	119	451
CT-0016	777	1	18	19	796	CT-0065	326	3	16	19	345
CT-0017	400	8	18	26	426	CT-0066	575	25	52	77	652
CT-0019	406	31	284	315	721	CT-0067	312	9	21	30	342
CT-0020	361	60	95	155	516	CT-0068	430	2	18	20	450
CT-0021	287	13	171	184	471	CT-0069	646	0	14	14	660
CT-0022	563	0	10	10	573	CT-0070	716	3	145	148	864
CT-0023	476	8	161	169	645	CT-0071	277	8	45	53	330
CT-0024	766	5	12	17	783	CT-0073	870	1	8	9	879
CT-0025	386	78	26	104	490	CT-0074	641	13	2	15	656
CT-0026	835	12	2	14	849	CT-0075	762	1	14	15	777
CT-0027	395	7	3	10	405	CT-0076	442	6	15	21	463
CT-0028	418	0	18	18	436	CT-0077	443	10	2	12	455
CT-0029	816	4	6	10	826	CT-0082	688	5	11	16	704
CT-0030	670	10	9	19	689	CT-0083	342	12	23	35	377
CT-0031	648	24	29	53	701	CT-0084	821	4	2	6	827
CT-0032	822	3	3	6	828	CT-0086	391	16	13	29	420
CT-0033	940	10	3	13	953	CT-0087	644	2	3	5	649
CT-0034	405	0	17	17	422	CT-0088	366	1	7	8	374
CT-0035	676	4	2	6	682	CT-0089	519	12	21	33	552
CT-0036	706	8	36	44	750	CT-0090	413	36	24	60	473
CT-0037	404	14	17	31	435	CT-0091	829	40	5	45	874
CT-0039	385	16	17	33	418	CT-0092	375	43	7	50	425
CT-0040	238	6	337	343	581	CT-0093	519	17	33	50	569
CT-0042	429	22	2	24	453	CT-0094	553	96	1	97	650
CT-0043	845	3	10	13	858	CT-0095	677	0	6	6	683
CT-0044	762	5	2	7	769	CT-0096	769	2	13	15	784
CT-0045	358	3	450	453	811	CT-0097	429	15	104	119	548
CT-0046	700	1	12	13	713	CT-0099	646	34	3	37	683
CT-0047	901	116	4	120	1021						
total							49763	2016	3474	5490	55253