# GMU at MLSP 2024: Multilingual Lexical Simplification with Transformer Models 

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#### Abstract

This paper presents GMU's submission to the Multilingual Lexical Simplification Pipeline (MLSP) shared task at the BEA workshop 2024. The task includes Lexical Complexity Prediction (LCP) and Lexical Simplification (LS) subtasks across 10 languages. Our submissions achieved rankings ranging from $1^{\text {st }}$ to $5^{t h}$ in LCP and from $1^{\text {st }}$ to $3^{r d}$ in LS. Our best performing approach for LCP is a weighted ensemble based on Pearson correlation of language specific transformer models trained on all languages combined. For LS, GPT4-turbo zeroshot prompting achieved the best performance.


## 1 Introduction

Understanding LCP and LS is crucial for enhancing communication accessibility and readability across diverse linguistic contexts. LCP involves analyzing linguistic features to understand text difficulty, while LS focuses on making complex language more readable without losing its meaning. Therefore, LCP and LS provide inclusive communication and broadening access to information. Nowadays, NLP research is interested in identifying complex words which may be difficult for certain readers (Shardlow, 2013; Paetzold and Specia, 2016a). These difficult words requires various types of intervention, such as direct replacement in the setting of LS (Gooding and Kochmar, 2019), or generating further explanation (Rello et al., 2015)

Previously, the task of LCP involved labelling the complex words by binary classification (Paetzold and Specia, 2016a; Zampieri et al., 2017; Yimam et al., 2018). This approach was referred to as Complex Word Identification (CWI) which means a word can either be complex or not. However, in practice, word complexity should be a continuous value representing from the least to the most complex. Shardlow et al. (2021) and Shardlow et al. (2020b) were the first to introduce the task of LCP
where a continuous value is assigned to identify a word's complexity. LS is the task of replacing difficult words with easier synonyms while preserving the information and intelligibility of the original text. This is a sub-task of Automatic Text Simplification (ATS) (Saggion and Hirst, 2017). Recently, similar to LCP, this task has also gained considerable amount of attention (Štajner et al., 2022).

In this paper, we use a cross-lingual weighted ensemble of transformer models to find LCP of a word in context of a sentence for 10 languages. For LS, we use GPT4-turbo (OpenAI, 2023) zero-shot prompting and also top 10 suggestions of GPT4turbo and transformers models in terms of cosine similarity for 10 languages.

## 2 Related Work

### 2.1 Lexical Complexity Prediction

North et al. (2023c) is considered a comprehensive survey on LCP which provides us with a chronological journey of this task. LCP researchers traditionally used lexical features like word2vec, POS tag, frequency features including maximum entropy as traditional approaches (Paetzold and Specia, 2016a). Moreover, features like word length, frequency, n-gram features and word embeddings were also explored (Yimam et al., 2018) for LCP. On top of that, Binary classifiers such as SVMs, Decision Trees, Random Forests and threshold based metrics, variety of traditional machine learning classifiers and Neural Networks were used in different LCP systems. For example, the winning system CWI shared task of 2016 used a thresholdbased methods and features extracted from Simple Wikipedia (Paetzold and Specia, 2016b) and Adaboost with WordNet features, POS tags, dependency parsing relations and psycholinguistic features were used by the winning system (Gooding and Kochmar, 2018) of BEA 2018.

From the approach of binary classification, LCP
gradually shifted towards regression or probabilistic classification and thus transformer based models show better performance. A few years later, the idea of expressing complexity of words with a continuous value was first introduced on LCP shared task 2021 (Shardlow et al., 2021). A pretrained transformer models fine-tuned for LCP (Pan et al., 2021) and a weighted ensemble of BERT and RoBERTa (Yaseen et al., 2021) respectively won the single word multi-word expressions sub-task of the shared task of 2021.

### 2.2 Lexical Simplification

LS research has utilized the word embedding models for retrieval or substitution generation (Glavaš and Štajner, 2015; Paetzold and Specia, 2016b). A pipeline of Substitute Generation (SG), Substitute Selection (SS) and Substitute Ranking (SR) was developed for this task. SG returns top-k most appropriate substitution of the complex word which are easy to understand and also preserve the original complex word's meaning and context. SS filters the generated top- k candidate substitutions and removes the unsuitable substitutions. SR orders the remaining top-k candidate substitutions by the decreasing order of simplicity and replace the complex word with the most suitable substitution (North et al., 2023b). Such approaches have proven better compared to earlier systems.

The state of the art for English LS was the LSBERT system (Qiang et al., 2020) before 2022. It used a BERT (Devlin et al., 2018) based masking technique to find suitable simplifications for complex words and employed unsupervised ranking using various feature combinations. In 2022, Ferrés and Saggion (2022) introduced a benchmark dataset for LS in Spanish named ALEXSIS, and conducted experiments with various neural and unsupervised systems. They also evaluated an adaptation of LSBERT for Spanish, achieving state-of-the-art performance. Similarly, North et al. (2022b) developed and evaluated transformer models for Portuguese in 2022, based on a new corpus derived from ALEXSIS, following the BERT masked approach for substitute generation.

The first multilingual LS shared task was TSAR2022 (Saggion et al., 2023). On this shared task, the best ranking for English was achieved using GPT-3 zero shot and few shot prompting (Aumiller and Gertz, 2023). For Portuguese, two customized pre-trained monolingual transformers and a large pre-trained monolingual model BERTimbau for
masked language modeling achieved the best performance (North et al., 2022a). This prompting technique was further introduced in ALEXSIS+ (North et al., 2023a). Likewise, a masked language model followed by candidate token generation, candidate word selection and candidate word pruning along cosine similarity and parts of speech checking for substitution ranking (Whistely et al., 2022) was used for Spanish LS. Recently, a detailed Multitask LS framework has been proposed by (North et al., 2024) which enables the creation of a multitask LS dataset and training of a full LS pipeline.

## 3 Datasets

The MLSP shared-task (Shardlow et al., 2024a) covers 10 different languages - Catalan, English, Filipino, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Sinhala, Spanish and it has two sub-tasksLCP and LS. LCP data instances include a sentence of a specific language and a specific word from that language of various text genre like news, religious, educational, Wikibooks etc. (Shardlow et al., 2024b). Then a complexity value ranging from $0-1$ of that specific word in the context of that sentence is given. LS also has similar types of data instances but instead of a complexity value 10 simplified substitutions of the target word are provided for each instance. Moreover, MultiLS SP/CA dataset was used for both the LCP and LS task for Spanish and Catalan language (Bott et al., 2024). For each language, the data annotators are from different age group and professions like students, language learners, university faculty, freelancers. The data was annotated by both native and nonnative speakers of each specific language. The data count for all the languages are shown in Table 1.

| Language | Test |
| :--- | :---: |
| Catalan | 445 |
| English | 570 |
| Filipino | 570 |
| French | 570 |
| German | 570 |
| Italian | 570 |
| Japanese | 570 |
| Portuguese | 569 |
| Sinhala | 600 |
| Spanish | 593 |
| All Combined | 5,627 |

Table 1: Data Distribution of Lexical Complexity Prediction and Lexical Simplification Dataset

There is no training data for this task. 30 Trial data was provided for each of the languages. For both the tasks we used all the trial data for validation. We performed cross-lingual transfer learning for the target language for LCP task. Moreover, only for the LCP task in English, we used CompLex dataset (Shardlow et al., 2020a) as training set for additional experiment. We merged 421 trial, 7,662 train and 917 test instances of this dataset and used these 9,000 instances together for the training purpose of English. We used the English trial data provided for this shared task as validation data in this case.

## 4 Experiments

Trial data provided for all the languages of the LCP task is very small. In general, it is common to use data augmentation and back-translation techniques to increase the number of data instances in such conditions (Akhbardeh et al., 2021). However, it will not work here as these techniques can change the word or even the context of the word after augmentation and back-translation causing change to the complexity also. As such, we use the idea of cross-lingual weighted ensemble approach by using trial data of all the languages for training and validation. We used 80-20 train and validation split. After that we use the test data of the target language for predicting lexical complexity. For training we have used weighted ensemble of mBERT (Devlin et al., 2018), XLM-R (Conneau et al., 2020) and language specific BERT models. For Catalan, Filipino, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Sinhala and Spanish we used calBERT (Codegram, 2020), RoBERTa-tagalog (Cruz and Cheng, 2021), flauBERT (Le et al., 2020), germanBERT (Dbmdz, 2020b), italianBERT (Dbmdz, 2020a), japaneseBERT (Tohoku-NLP, 2020), sinhalaBERTo (Dhananjaya et al., 2022) and spanishBERT (Cañete et al., 2020) respectively. For English we used BERT (Devlin et al., 2018), RoBERTa (Liu et al., 2019) and DeBERTa (He et al., 2021) as language specific model. For all language combined - ensemble of mBERT, XLM-R calBERT, DeBERTa, RoBERTa-tagalog, flauBERT, germanBERT, italianBERT, japaneseBERT, BERTimbau, sinhalaBERTo and spanishBERT were used. Pearson correlation coefficient was used as weight for the ensemble.

We use GPT4-turbo (Achiam et al., 2023) zero shot prompting which provides the best result for

LS on both trial and test phase. Additionally, we used the same set up of BERT based models like LCP for all the languages to find the best 10 simplified substitutions for trial and test data. Then for each instances of a language, we took the set of all the words suggested by the BERT based models and GPT4-turbo together. After that, we find the embeddings of those words and the target token by LaBSE sentence transformer (Feng et al., 2020). Furthermore, we find the cosine similarity of the target token to the set of suggested word embeddings. Lastly, we choose the best 10 words by the decreasing order of cosine similarity of the embeddings.

## 5 Results

For LCP in English, we used the English trial data merged with the CompLex dataset and performed weighted ensemble. We rank $1^{\text {st }}$ with this procedure with Pearson correlation coefficient 0.8497 . For the other 8 languages and all language combined we used the cross-lingual weighted ensemble. For Sinhala, we secure $3^{\text {rd }}$ rank with Pearson coefficient score 0.1246. For all language combined, Italian, Filipino, Spanish, Japanese, Catalan and German our rank is $4^{\text {th }}$ with Pearson coefficient $0.3494,0.2919,0.2823,0.2438,0.1775,0.1549$ and 0.1402 respectively. Lastly, we rank $5^{\text {th }}$ for French with 0.3193 Pearson coefficient. Test results for LCP are shown in Table 2.

For LS, zero-shot prompting by GPT-4 turbo performs the best for the 9 languages and all language combined. For Sinhala, we ranked $1^{\text {st }}$ with Accuracy@1@Top1 score 0.4182. For German, Spanish, all language combined, Japanese and Filipino - we stand $2^{n d}$ with Accuracy@1@Top1 0.42, $0.4182,0.3345,0.2583$ and 0.0562 respectively. Lastly in the $3^{r d}$ position, we have English, Italian, French and Catalan with $0.5157,0.4042,0.3661$ and 0.2247 Accuracy@1@Top1 respectively. The detailed explanation of the evaluation metrics used for LS is available at (Saggion et al., 2023). Test results for LS are shown in Table 2.

Trial results of LCP and LS are available in Table 4 and 5 of Appendix.

## 6 Error Analysis

For LCP the highest mean absolute and squared error are 0.2089 and 0.0589 for French and the lowest mean absolute and squared error are 0.1018 and 0.0168 for Sinhala. This is an acceptable mar-

| Language | Test Scores (Target Language) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pearson | Spearman | MAE | MSE | R2 |
|  | 0.1549 | 0.1574 | 0.1462 | 0.0318 | -0.3378 |
| English (CompLex) | 0.8497 | 0.7984 | 0.1137 | 0.0175 | 0.5247 |
| Filipino | 0.2823 | 0.2767 | 0.1164 | 0.0227 | -0.0457 |
| French | 0.3193 | 0.3207 | 0.2089 | 0.0589 | 0.0484 |
| German | 0.1402 | 0.1473 | 0.1567 | 0.0413 | -0.5279 |
| Japanese | 0.1775 | 0.1827 | 0.1363 | 0.0270 | 0.0241 |
| Sinhala | 0.1246 | 0.1303 | 0.1018 | 0.0168 | -0.0370 |
| Spanish | 0.2438 | 0.1984 | 0.1630 | 0.0379 | -0.0731 |
| All Combined | 0.3494 | 0.3642 | 0.1464 | 0.0331 | 0.1094 |

Table 2: Test Results of LCP (Weighted Ensemble of the Models Used for Corresponding Languages in Trial Phase)

| Language | Models | A@1@Top1 | A@2@Top1 | A@3@Top1 | MacAvgPrec@1 | MacAvgPrec@3 | MacAvgPrec@5 | MacAvgPrec@10 | MAP@3 | MAP@5 | MAP@10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Catalan | GPT4-turbo | 0.2247 | 0.3056 | 0.328 | 0.537 | 0.7101 | 0.7573 | 0.8044 | 0.362 | 0.2641 | 0.1582 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0651 | 0.1191 | 0.1595 | 0.2426 | 0.5191 | 0.6404 | 0.755 | 0.172 | 0.1408 | 0.0893 |
| English | GPT4-turbo | 0.5157 | 0.635 | 0.6894 | 0.7491 | 0.8754 | 0.907 | 0.928 | 0.513 | 0.3691 | 0.2095 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1929 | 0.3228 | 0.4157 | 0.335 | 0.6315 | 0.7649 | 0.8649 | 0.2339 | 0.1869 | 0.1106 |
| Filipino | GPT4-turbo | 0.0562 | 0.0632 | 0.0685 | 0.2934 | 0.3989 | 0.4358 | 0.4868 | 0.1395 | 0.0916 | 0.0491 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0157 | 0.0228 | 0.0245 | 0.0807 | 0.1842 | 0.2859 | 0.3859 | 0.0449 | 0.0338 | 0.0201 |
| French | GPT4-turbo | 0.3661 | 0.4559 | 0.514 | 0.7411 | 0.8679 | 0.889 | 0.9154 | 0.5148 | 0.3946 | 0.2447 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0845 | 0.1672 | 0.2394 | 0.2271 | 0.5316 | 0.6971 | 0.8257 | 0.1725 | 0.149 | 0.1023 |
| German | GPT4-turbo | 0.42 | 0.5043 | 0.5817 | 0.6414 | 0.7908 | 0.8312 | 0.8558 | 0.4002 | 0.2874 | 0.1631 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1192 | 0.2228 | 0.3 | 0.2578 | 0.5491 | 0.6666 | 0.7982 | 0.1852 | 0.1463 | 0.092 |
| Italian | GPT4-turbo | 0.4042 | 0.5641 | 0.6309 | 0.7346 | 0.8822 | 0.9244 | 0.9402 | 0.4615 | 0.3328 | 0.1966 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1546 | 0.2724 | 0.3567 | 0.3567 | 0.6625 | 0.7855 | 0.8717 | 0.246 | 0.1965 | 0.1242 |
| Japanese | GPT4-turbo | 0.2583 | 0.3708 | 0.4393 | 0.5413 | 0.6801 | 0.7223 | 0.7627 | 0.3618 | 0.2599 | 0.1529 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1195 | 0.2144 | 0.2847 | 0.3075 | 0.5817 | 0.6731 | 0.7469 | 0.2144 | 0.171 | 0.1107 |
| Sinhala | GPT4-turbo | 0.2284 | 0.2829 | 0.3163 | 0.311 | 0.4165 | 0.4815 | 0.536 | 0.1387 | 0.0894 | 0.0469 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.13 | 0.2372 | 0.3057 | 0.195 | 0.3848 | 0.4639 | 0.5272 | 0.1147 | 0.0759 | 0.0394 |
| Spanish | GPT4-turbo | 0.4182 | 0.5362 | 0.6087 | 0.801 | 0.9173 | 0.9477 | 0.9612 | 0.5987 | 0.4653 | 0.2853 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.236 | 0.3558 | 0.4704 | 0.5919 | 0.86 | 0.9106 | 0.9392 | 0.4371 | 0.3542 | 0.2244 |
| All Combined | GPT4-turbo | 0.3345 | 0.4291 | 0.4828 | 0.5934 | 0.7276 | 0.7695 | 0.803 | 0.379 | 0.2754 | 0.1614 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1331 | 0.2261 | 0.2999 | 0.2876 | 0.5374 | 0.6467 | 0.7386 | 0.1981 | 0.1561 | 0.0971 |

Table 3: Test Results of LS (Top 10 Suggestions are Selected from the Output of GPT4-turbo and the Models Used for Corresponding Languages in Trial Phase)
gin of error when we are training a model with cross-lingual data and testing with language specific data. This is also a reason of getting negative R2 score for 4 languages which testifies that the data struggles to fit the regression model for those languages.

For LS, zero-shot prompting by GPT4-turbo alone provides the best result but when we try to find the best 10 suggestions from the set of suggestions generated by the BERT based models and GPT4-turbo together, the result significantly decreases. This was because the target token in the sentence varied be in different grammatical form. Therefore, finding proper simplified suggestions that fits the context proves to be a struggle for the BERT based model.

## 7 Conclusion

Our team GMU's approaches in MLSP 2024 shared task achieved competitive results across multiple languages for both the LCP and LS sub-tasks. The weighted ensemble technique based on transformer models proved effective for LCP, while GPT-4 zero-
shot prompting excelled at LS. The multilingual nature of this shared task also highlights the importance of developing techniques that can generalize across languages.

One key limitation of our approach is the reliance on cross-lingual transfer due to limited language-specific training data for most languages. While this allowed sharing resources across languages, having larger datasets to each language could potentially boost performance. Additionally, the error analysis revealed some remaining challenges in handling complex word expressions and phrases during LS. Further improvements in modeling could address these cases more effectively for MLSP in future.

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## A Appendix

| Language | Models | Validation Scores (Combined Dataset) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Pearson | Spearman | MAE | MSE | R2 |
| Catalan | mBERT | 0.5839 | 0.5965 | 0.1296 | 0.0272 | 0.2676 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4131 | 0.3881 | 0.1496 | 0.0333 | 0.1051 |
|  | calBERT | 0.4724 | 0.4868 | 0.1384 | 0.031 | 0.1653 |
| English (All Trial) | mBERT | 0.5926 | 0.57 | 0.1422 | 0.0297 | 0.2012 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4245 | 0.4345 | 0.1496 | 0.0335 | 0.0982 |
|  | BERT | 0.4396 | 0.4489 | 0.1593 | 0.0349 | 0.0621 |
|  | Roberta | 0.5418 | 0.5525 | 0.1375 | 0.0266 | 0.2848 |
|  | DeBERTa | 0.5437 | 0.5234 | 0.138 | 0.0276 | 0.257 |
| English (CompLex) | BERT | 0.7732 | 0.751 | 0.1478 | 0.0288 | 0.2604 |
|  | Roberta | 0.6454 | 0.7072 | 0.156 | 0.0325 | 0.1635 |
|  | DeBERTa | 0.8144 | 0.7434 | 0.1486 | 0.0269 | 0.3094 |
| Filipino | mBERT | 0.5814 | 0.577 | 0.1299 | 0.027 | 0.2744 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4447 | 0.4368 | 0.1453 | 0.031 | 0.1665 |
|  | RoBERTa-tagalog | 0.4162 | 0.3686 | 0.1504 | 0.0342 | 0.0807 |
| French | mBERT | 0.5703 | 0.6264 | 0.1402 | 0.027 | 0.2734 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4588 | 0.4576 | 0.1466 | 0.0306 | 0.1778 |
|  | flauBERT | 0.3742 | 0.3068 | 0.1485 | 0.0322 | 0.1345 |
| German | mBERT | 0.6061 | 0.6159 | 0.1382 | 0.0263 | 0.29933 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4586 | 0.4481 | 0.1469 | 0.0296 | 0.2043 |
|  | germanBERT | 0.4511 | 0.4669 | 0.1415 | 0.0306 | 0.1778 |
| Italian | mBERT | 0.6196 | 0.5757 | 0.1225 | 0.0244 | 0.3441 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4934 | 0.4625 | 0.144 | 0.0297 | 0.2003 |
|  | italianBERT | 0.5577 | 0.5419 | 0.1353 | 0.0262 | 0.2946 |
| Japanese | mBERT | 0.5551 | 0.5568 | 0.1378 | 0.0301 | 0.1914 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.5479 | 0.5355 | 0.1422 | 0.028 | 0.2462 |
|  | japaneseBERT | 0.4286 | 0.4285 | 0.1521 | 0.0341 | 0.083 |
| Sinhala | mBERT | 0.5948 | 0.6375 | 0.1333 | 0.0263 | 0.2929 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4396 | 0.4569 | 0.1414 | 0.0304 | 0.181 |
|  | sinhalaBERTo | 0.3766 | 0.4027 | 0.1568 | 0.0337 | 0.0923 |
| Spanish | mBERT | 0.5412 | 0.5861 | 0.136 | 0.0282 | 0.2428 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.5119 | 0.5022 | 0.1391 | 0.0289 | 0.2225 |
|  | spanishBERT | 0.4141 | 0.3909 | 0.1559 | 0.0328 | 0.1188 |
| All Combined | mBERT | 0.4511 | 0.495 | 0.1546 | 0.0326 | 0.1223 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.4588 | 0.4576 | 0.1466 | 0.0306 | 0.1778 |
|  | calBERT | 0.4044 | 0.4069 | 0.1517 | 0.0326 | 0.1226 |
|  | DeBERTa | 0.4511 | 0.4745 | 0.1482 | 0.0318 | 0.1454 |
|  | RoBERTa-tagalog | 0.4626 | 0.4588 | 0.1564 | 0.0354 | 0.0489 |
|  | flauBERT | 0.4416 | 0.4236 | 0.1583 | 0.036 | 0.0306 |
|  | germanBERT | 0.4383 | 0.4261 | 0.1531 | 0.0345 | 0.718 |
|  | italianBERT | 0.5577 | 0.5419 | 0.1353 | 0.0262 | 0.2946 |
|  | japaneseBERT | 0.4183 | 0.4461 | 0.1543 | 0.0347 | 0.0675 |
|  | BERTimbau | 0.5274 | 0.5701 | 0.1306 | 0.0271 | 0.2697 |
|  | sinhalaBERTo | $0.4249$ | $0.4622$ | $0.156$ | 0.0338 | 0.0919 |
|  | spanishBERT | 0.4679 | $0.4499$ | 0.1535 | 0.0356 | 0.0433 |

Table 4: Trial Results of LCP

| Language | Models | A@1@Top1 | A@2@Top1 | A@3@Top1 | MacAvgPrec@1 | MacAvgPrec@3 | MacAvgPrec@5 | MacAvgPrec@10 | MAP@3 | MAP@5 | MAP@10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Catalan | mBERT | 0.0666 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1 | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.2 | 0.0999 | 0.0866 | 0.0437 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.0066 | 0.2333 | 0.3 | 0.1333 | 0.3666 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1351 | 0.1094 | 0.0547 |
|  | calBERT | 0.0666 | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.1 | 0.1666 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.0999 | 0.0893 | 0.0446 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.4666 | 0.4666 | 0.5 | 0.4666 | 0.6 | 0.7333 | 0.7333 | 0.2407 | 0.1634 | 0.0888 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.2 | 0.2666 | 0.3333 | 0.2333 | 0.5 | 0.5666 | 0.6666 | 0.1259 | 0.0932 | 0.0524 |
| English | mBERT | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.26 | 0.2 | 0.4666 | 0.5 | 0.6333 | 0.1481 | 0.1012 | 0.0577 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.1 | 0.1666 | 0.2666 | 0.1666 | 0.4333 | 0.5666 | 0.6333 | 0.1222 | 0.0796 | 0.0484 |
|  | BERT | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5333 | 0.5666 | 0.7 | 0.174 | 0.1297 | 0.0766 |
|  | Roberta | 0.066 | 0.2 | 0.2333 | 0.2 | 0.4666 | 0.6333 | 0.7333 | 0.1648 | 0.1335 | 0.0815 |
|  | DeBERTa | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.2 | 0.1446 | 0.0733 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5666 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8666 | 0.8666 | 0.4444 | 0.3136 | 0.1728 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1333 | 0.2666 | 0.3666 | 0.2666 | 0.6666 | 0.6666 | 0.6666 | 0.174 | 0.1224 | 0.0612 |
| Filipino | mBERT | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.1 | 0.0166 | 0.01 | 0.0054 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.1333 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1333 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2333 | 0.0888 | 0.0533 | 0.0271 |
|  | RoBERTa-tagalog | 0.2 | 0.2666 | 0.3 | 0.2333 | 0.3333 | 0.4 | 0.4333 | 0.1037 | 0.0652 | 0.0352 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.3666 | 0.3666 | 0.3666 | 0.4 | 0.4333 | 0.4666 | 0.5 | 0.1611 | 0.1053 | 0.055 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0666 | 0.1333 | 0.2333 | 0.0666 | 0.2333 | 0.3333 | 0.4 | 0.0555 | 0.0373 | 0.0206 |
| French | mBERT | 0.2 | 0.3333 | 0.4 | 0.2666 | 0.4333 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.1611 | 0.0996 | 0.052 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.1666 | 0.3 | 0.3666 | 0.2333 | 0.4333 | 0.5 | 0.5333 | 0.1185 | 0.0711 | 0.0402 |
|  | flauBERT | 0.0166 | 0.0266 | 0.0366 | 0.0166 | 0.0266 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0107 | 0.0071 | 0.0046 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.5 | 0.6333 | 0.6666 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.3759 | 0.2305 | 0.1169 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.2 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.4333 | 0.5666 | 0.7333 | 0.1296 | 0.0927 | 0.0518 |
| German | mBERT | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.1 | 0.0287 | 0.019 | 0.0111 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.1333 | 0.1 | 0.1666 | 0.3 | 0.3333 | 0.0446 | 0.03 | 0.0168 |
|  | germanBERT | 0.1666 | 0.2 | 0.2333 | 0.1333 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.2333 | 0.0814 | 0.0592 | 0.0299 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.6 | 0.8666 | 0.9666 | 0.7333 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.3944 | 0.2603 | 0.137 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.1666 | 0.0666 | 0.2666 | 0.4333 | 0.7 | 0.0555 | 0.053 | 0.0337 |
| Italian | mBERT | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0333 | 0.1 | 0.1333 | 0.2 | 0.0222 | 0.015 | 0.0092 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1666 | 0.2333 | 0.0444 | 0.028 | 0.0158 |
|  | italianBERT | 0.2333 | 0.3666 | 0.4 | 0.2666 | 0.4666 | 0.5333 | 0.6 | 0.1537 | 0.1038 | 0.0518 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.3518 | 0.2334 | 0.1267 | 0.6 | 0.3518 | 0.2334 | 0.1267 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1666 | 0.2 | 0.2333 | 0.2 | 0.3666 | 0.5666 | 0.7666 | 0.1259 | 0.0905 | 0.0566 |
| Japanese | mBERT | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0518 | 0.0427 | 0.0213 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.0518 | 0.0427 | 0.0213 |
|  | japaneseBERT | 0.1 | 0.1333 | 0.1666 | 0.1333 | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.1666 | 0.137 | 0.0955 | 0.0477 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.4333 | 0.4666 | 0.4666 | 0.5333 | 0.6333 | 0.7333 | 0.8 | 0.2629 | 0.1767 | 0.0936 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.1 | 0.0666 | 0.1333 | 0.2333 | 0.5 | 0.0407 | 0.0321 | 0.0226 |
| Sinhala |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.1 | 0.0833 |  | 0.0299 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.0333 | 0.0666 | 0.0666 | 0.1 | 0.0133 | 0.0133 | 0.0233 | 0.0481 | 0.0288 | 0.0159 |
|  | sinhalaBERTo | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0111 | 0.0066 | 0.0033 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.3666 | 0.5 | 0.5666 | 0.5333 | 0.7333 | 0.7666 | 0.8333 | 0.2851 | 0.1757 | 0.0961 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.2 | 0.3333 | 0.4 | 0.3666 | 0.5666 | 0.6 | 0.7666 | 0.2037 | 0.1412 | 0.0786 |
| Spanish | mBERT | 0.1 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1333 | 0.1018 | 0.0744 | 0.0418 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.1666 | 0.3 | 0.3666 | 0.2333 | 0.4333 | 0.5 | 0.5333 | 0.1185 | 0.0711 | 0.0402 |
|  | spanishBERT | 0.2666 | 0.3333 | 0.4333 | 0.3333 | 0.5666 | 0.6666 | 0.7333 | 0.2055 | 0.133 | 0.0698 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.4 | 0.6333 | 0.7666 | 0.6333 | 0.8666 | 0.9333 | 0.9333 | 0.4018 | 0.2721 | 0.1433 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.2666 | 0.3333 | 0.4666 | 0.3 | 0.6333 | 0.7333 | 0.7666 | 0.1888 | 0.132 | 0.0716 |
| All Combined | mBERT | 0.0233 | 0.04 | 0.0566 | 0.0433 | 0.1 | 0.11 | 0.1533 | 0.0287 | 0.019 | 0.0111 |
|  | XLM-R | 0.0466 | 0.0833 | 0.1033 | 0.0866 | 0.1533 | 0.2033 | 0.2366 | 0.0446 | 0.03 | 0.0168 |
|  | calBERT | 0.0333 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0333 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
|  | DeBERTa | 0.0333 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0333 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
|  | flauBERT | 0.0166 | 0.0266 | 0.0366 | 0.0166 | 0.0266 | 0.0366 | 0.0366 | 0.0107 | 0.0071 | 0.0046 |
|  | germanBERT | 0.0166 | 0.02 | 0.0233 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.0333 | 0.0333 | 0.0081 | 0.0056 | 0.0028 |
|  | italianBERT | 0.0266 | 0.04 | 0.0433 | 0.0333 | 0.0533 | 0.0666 | 0.0766 | 0.0175 | 0.0118 | 0.006 |
|  | japaneseBERT | 0.0333 | 0.0366 | 0.04 | 0.0366 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.0303 | 0.0202 | 0.0101 |
|  | BERTimbau | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0022 | 0.0013 | 0.0006 |
|  | sinhalaBERTo | 0.0033 | 0.0033 | 0.0033 | 0.0166 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.0533 | 0.0083 | 0.0062 | 0.0035 |
|  | spanishBERT | 0.0033 | 0.0033 | 0.0033 | 0.0066 | 0.0166 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.0033 | 0.0022 | 0.0012 |
|  | GPT4-turbo | 0.39 | 0.48 | 0.5333 | 0.5966 | 0.7433 | 0.7933 | 0.8366 | 0.3122 | 0.2088 | 0.1111 |
|  | Top10Suggestion | 0.1166 | 0.2166 | 0.2933 | 0.1833 | 0.45 | 0.5833 | 0.6833 | 0.1248 | 0.0942 | 0.0526 |

Table 5: Trial Results of LS

