Fightin' Words

Points for discussion

Points for review

Looking for a report structure?

System Assessment

- What metrics are suitable for assessing what system characteristics?
- What system characteristics reflect what user needs?
- Is there a radical difference between evaluation focusing on research or development needs and evaluation focusing on end-user needs?
- When should real-world data be used?
 - What is the impact of using it?

Metric Choice

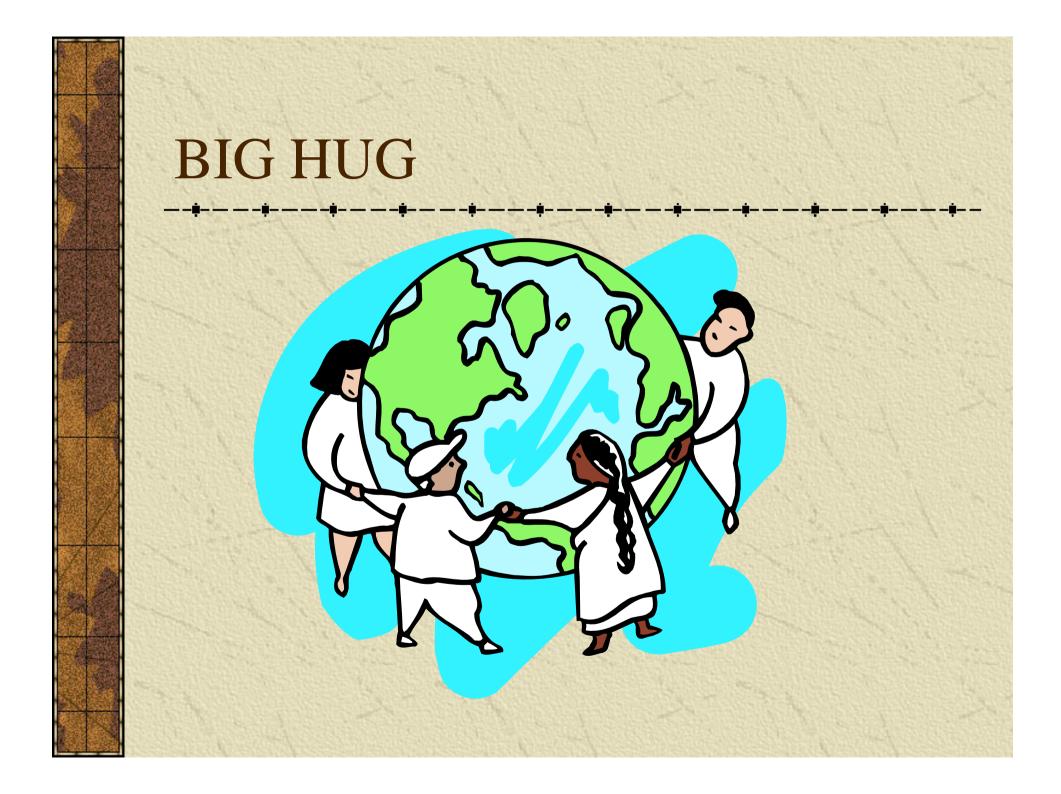
- What constitutes a valid metric
 - How can you demonstrate that a metric is valid?
- What metrics can be automated
- What are the advantages/disadvantages of specific metrics?
- For the metric(s) selected, what are the difficulties in applying them?

Metric Choice - II

- For a given metric, what variations in scores are typically produced?
 - What are the statistical error variances?
- For a given metric, what are the score ranges for 'good' and 'bad' systems
- Are there metrics which correlate with one another?
 - Are there metrics which indicate an overall quality score?
- Are there metrics which work better for specific language pairs?

Where to from here?

- MTE Primer?
 - Book with papers, and commentary fitting them into the right context (including the taxonomy?)
 - Exercises the reader can do
 - Showing how to fit new ideas into taxonomy
 - Contribution to the language community in general
- MT Summit Workshop
- Other workshops?



Web Sites

- Classification (taxonomy)
 - Open to everyone
- Working area
 - Possibly password protected
 - Rite of initiation?
 - Data for people at least until next workshop
- URL's
 - http://issco-www.unige.ch/projects/isle/mt-eval-whereis.html