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Utilizing Web Service Technology to Create Danish Arabic Language Resources

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Agenda

- Research Problem
- Model Introduction
- Discussion



Research Problem

- Language resources LR are a major challenge for modern SMT applications for language with limited common LR like the case of Danish Arabic language pair.
- Solution might be in the:
 - Pivot approach
 - Translation quality is less than direct approaches
- We propose a new model that utilizes the web service technology to create a bilingual text resource out of a monolingual corpus.

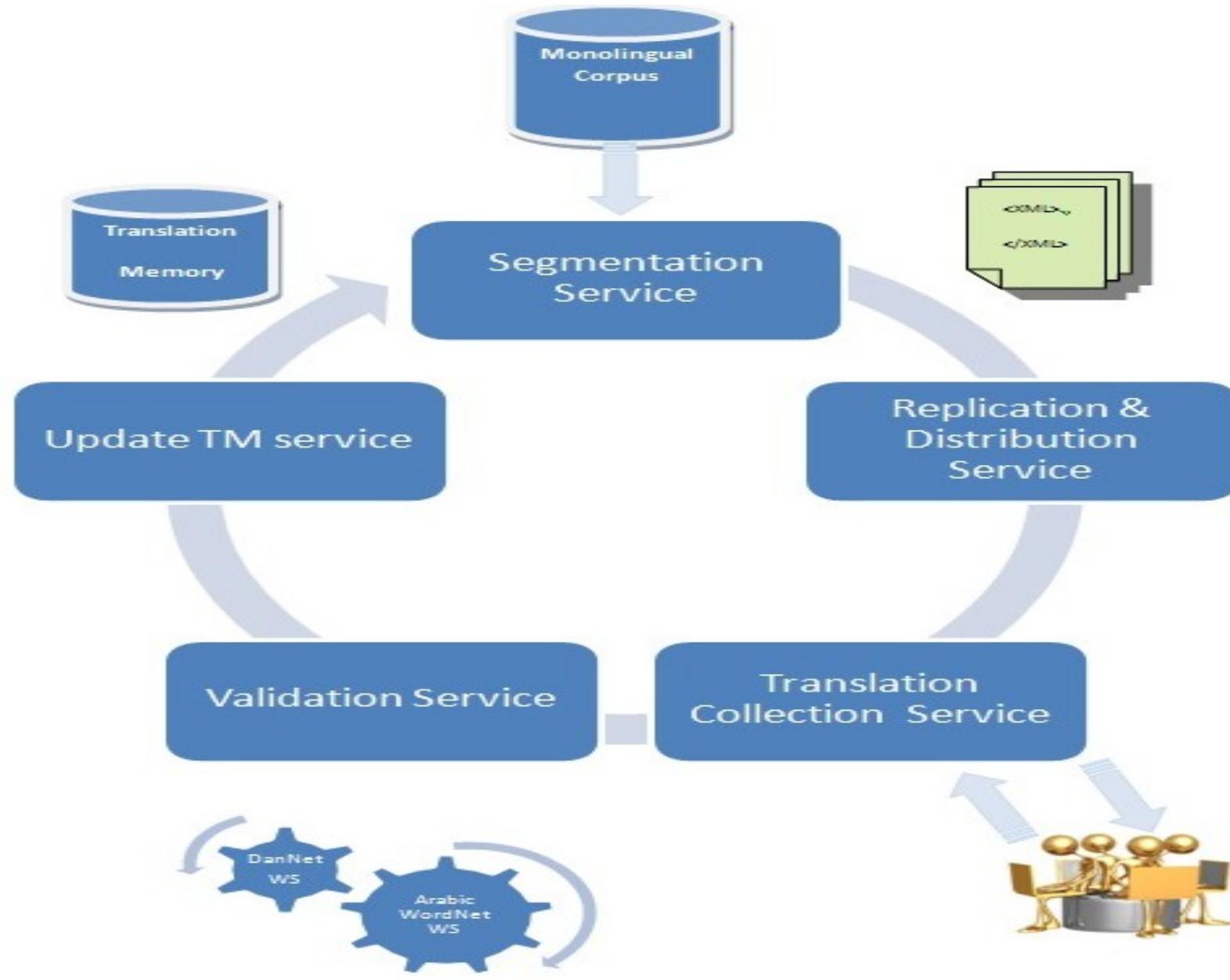


Model Introduction

1. Segmentation Service.
2. Distribution and Replication Service.
3. Translation collection Service.
4. Validation Service.
5. Update translation memory Service.



Model Introduction Cont.



Segmentation Service 1

- The service will process the monolingual corpus and compile it into a group of small XML files

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SRCSET setid="Climate_Change_Summit" srclang="DA">
    <DOC docid="1" genre = "text" >
        <seg id="1.1">
            de fire vigtige punkter, der bør rummes i en aftale i
            København
        </seg>
        <seg id="1.2">
            Hvor meget er industrielandene villige til at reducere deres
            udledning af drivhusgasser?
        </seg>
        <seg id="1.3">
            Hvor meget er toneangivende udviklingslande
            som Kina og Indien villige til at gøre for at begrænse
            stigningen i deres udledning?
        </seg>
        <seg id="1.4">
            Hvis København kan levere varen på de fire
            punkter, vil jeg være glad," siger Yvo de Boer.
        </seg>
    </DOC>
</SRCSET>
```



Segmentation Service 2

- Segments produces from a corpus document, ready to be sent to net work users

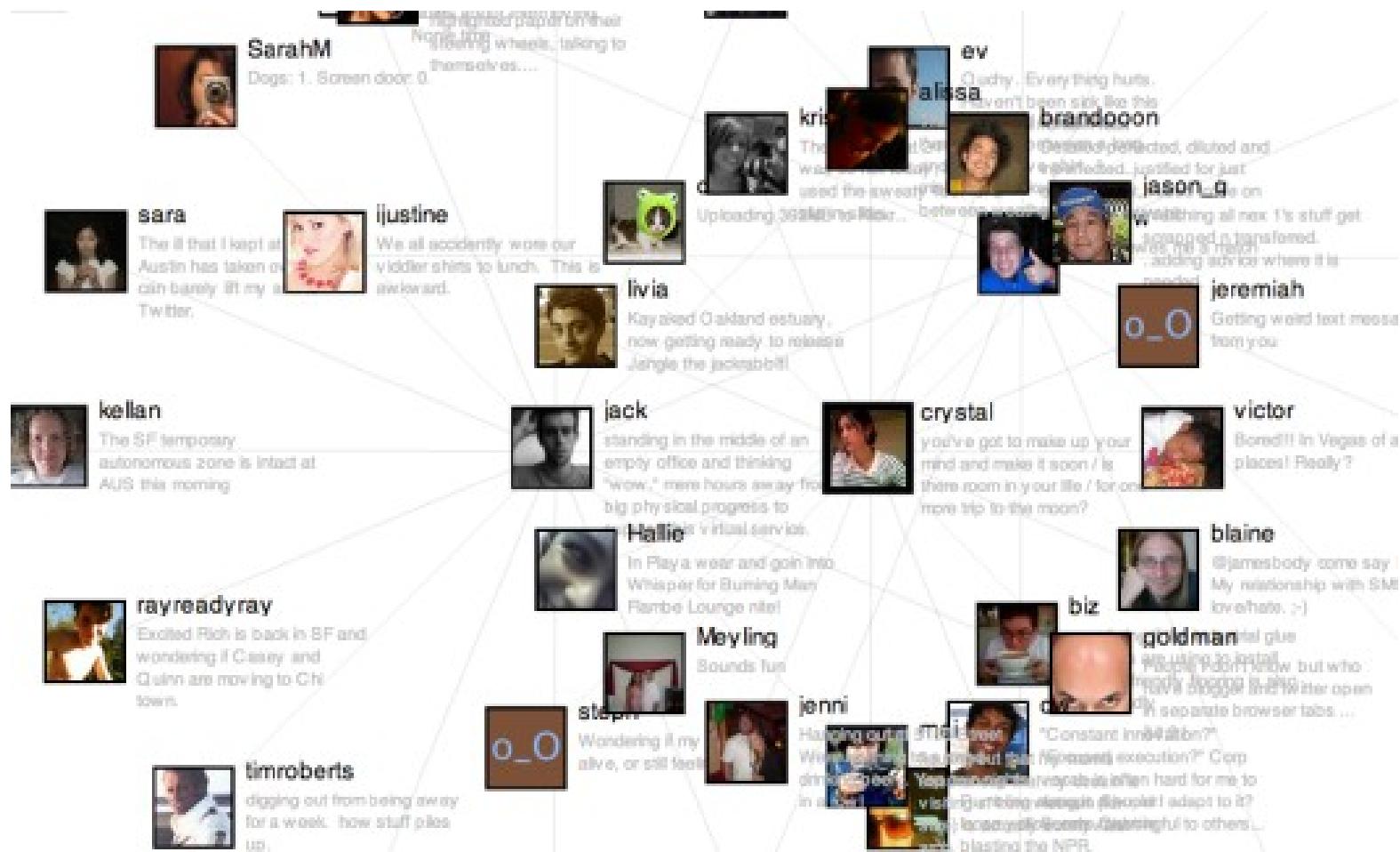
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<SRCSET setid="Climate_Change_Summit" srclang="DA">
    <DOC docid="1" genre = "text" >
        <seg id="1.1">
            de fire vigtige punkter, der bør rummes i en aftale i
            København
        </seg>
    </DOC>
</SRCSET>
```

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SRCSET setid="Climate_Change_Summit" srclang="DA">
    <DOC docid="1" genre = "text" >
        <seg id="1.2">
            Hvor meget er industrielandene villige til at reducere deres
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        </seg>
    </DOC>
</SRCSET>
```



Replication and Distribution Service

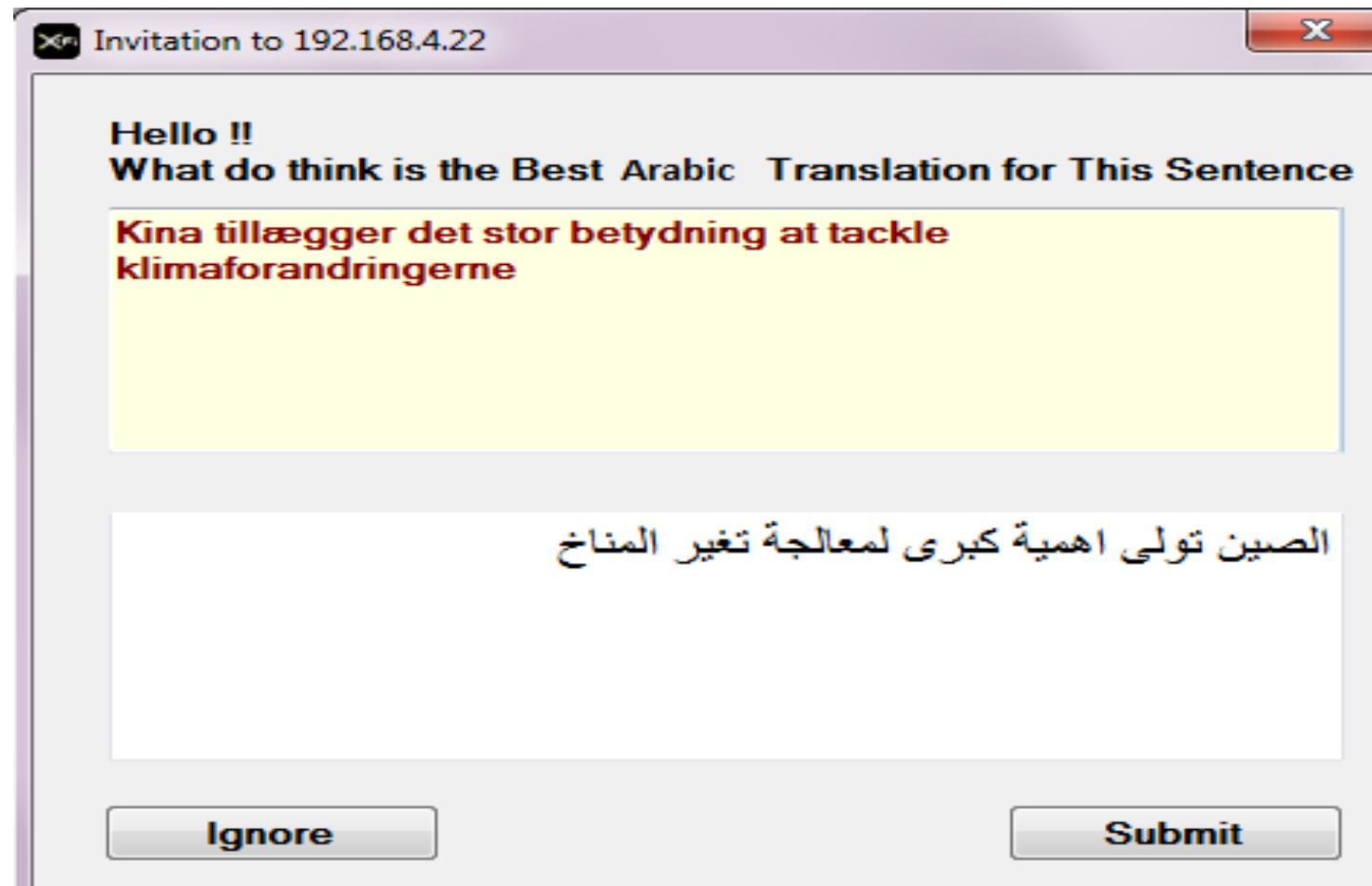
- This service receives segments files produced by the segmentation service and distribute it to network users.



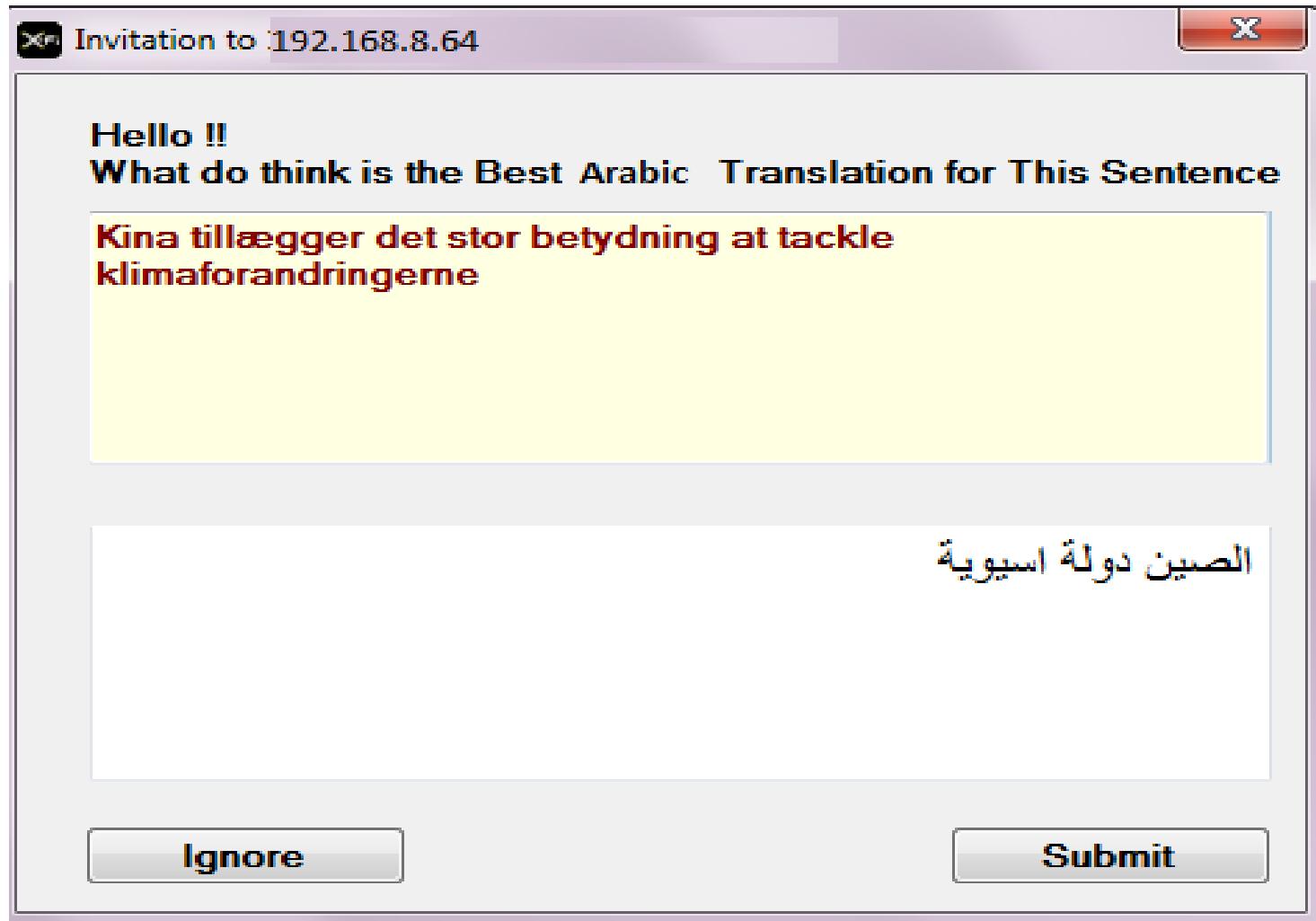
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Replication and Distribution Service



Translation Collection

- Translation Collection service will collect translation from network users who agreed to respond to the translation request

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SRCSET setid="Climate_Change_Summit" srclang="DA">
    <DOC docid="1" genre = "text" >

        <trans id="1" seg ="1.1" user="192.168.4.22">
            المناخ لتغير التصدي على كبيرة أهمية تعلق الصين
        </trans>

        <trans id="2" seg ="1.1" user="192.168.8.36">
            المناخ بموضوع تهتم الصين
        </trans>

        <trans id="3" seg ="1.1" user="192.168.8.64">
            اسيوية دولة الصين
        </trans>

    </DOC>
</SRCSET>
```



Translation validation service

1. Automatic Validation

- Length Validation
- Similarity Matching
- Accuracy & Fitness Evaluation

1. Human Validation and Evaluation.



Length Validation

- We compare the length of the original sentence (S) to the length of the translated sentence (D) .

$$r = \frac{L(S)}{L(D)}$$

- The service accept a sentence D as a possible translation for sentence S if $r > 0.75$



Similarity Matching

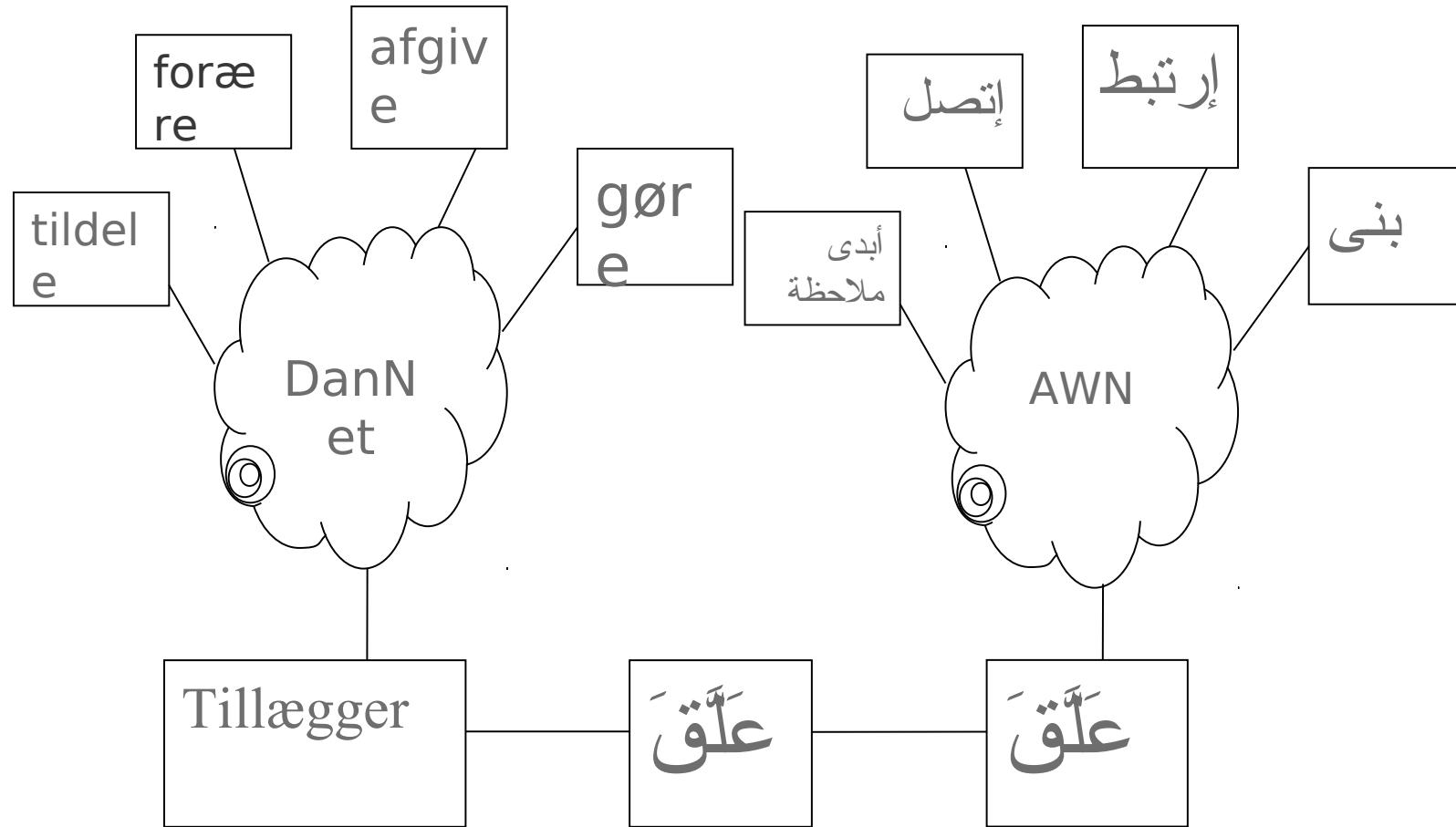
- Now for each sentences pair (S, D) we compare their similarities

D S	Kina	tillægger	det	stor	betydning	at	handler	klimaændringerne	match (S_i, D_j)
الصين	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
تعلق	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
أهمية	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
كبيرة	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
على	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
التصدي	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
لتغير	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
المتاخ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

$$\text{Sim } (S, D) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m \text{match } (S_i, D_j)}{\max(L(S), L(D))}$$



AWN and DanNet



Translation Accuracy & Fitness

Accuracy

المانا	لتغير التصد	على كبيرة اهمي	تعلق الصين	ة	ي	أ	Σ
1/1	1/11	1/2	1/7	1/1	1/4	1/10	1/1 4.08

$$Acc(D) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{AWN(D(j))} \right)}{m}$$

Fitness

$$Fitness(S, D) = Sim(S, D) * Acc(D)$$

Heuristics

- **Accuracy** > 0.4
- **Fitness** > 0.3

Will represent acceptable translation



Human Evaluation

- System validation indicates whether the destination is a **good candidate translation** for the source sentence or not.
- It doesn't mean that the sentence is accepted
- Human evaluation is needed to accept the translation.



Update the Translation memory

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SRCSET setid="Climate_Change_Summit" srclang="DA", dstlang="AR">
<DOC docid="1" genre = "text" >

<trans id="1" seg ="1.1" srcdoc ="1"    >
    Kina tillægger det stor betydning at tackle klimaforandringerne
</trans>

<trans id="1" seg ="1.1"    user="192.168.4.22">
    المناخ لتغير التصدي على كبيرة أهمية تعلق الصين
</trans>

</DOC>
</SRCSET>
```



Questions

