

9-23-2013

# Profiling Web Archive Coverage for Top-Level Domain & Content Language

Ahmed AlSum

*Old Dominion University*

Michele C. Weigle

*Old Dominion University*, mweigle@odu.edu

Michael L. Nelson

*Old Dominion University*, mnelson@odu.edu

Herbert Van de Sompel

Follow this and additional works at: [https://digitalcommons.odu.edu/computerscience\\_presentations](https://digitalcommons.odu.edu/computerscience_presentations)



Part of the [Archival Science Commons](#)

---

## Recommended Citation

AlSum, Ahmed; Weigle, Michele C.; Nelson, Michael L.; and de Sompel, Herbert Van, "Profiling Web Archive Coverage for Top-Level Domain & Content Language" (2013). *Computer Science Presentations*. 12.  
[https://digitalcommons.odu.edu/computerscience\\_presentations/12](https://digitalcommons.odu.edu/computerscience_presentations/12)

# Profiling Web Archive Coverage for Top-Level Domain & Content Language

Ahmed AlSum, Michele C. Weigle, Michael L. Nelson,  
Herbert Van de Sompel



International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries  
September 22-26, 2013  
Valletta, Malta





臺灣大學網站典藏庫  
NTU Web Archiving System



Archive.is      WebCite

A The National Archives



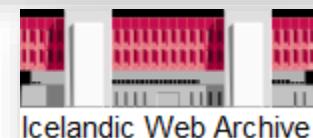
padicat      The Web Archive of Catalonia



Aggregator



archiefweb.eu



Icelandic Web Archive

HAW      Hrvatski arhiv weba  
Croatian Web Archive

# Where to find Mementos for ...



<http://www.japantimes.co.jp/>



WebCite



# Where to find Mementos for ...



<http://www.japantimes.co.jp/>



臺灣大學網站典藏庫  
NTU Web Archiving System

WebCite



# Where to find Mementos for ...



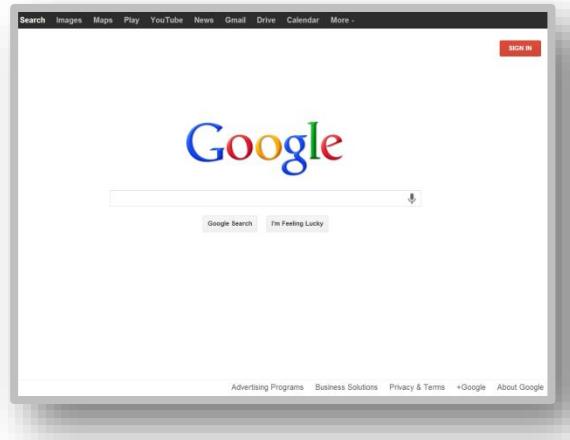
<http://www.google.com/>



WebCite



# Where to find Mementos for ...



<http://www.google.com/>



# Research Question

## Problem

- Profile public web archives according to the following dimensions:
  - Top-level domains
  - Languages
  - Growth rate
  - Archival date

## Motivation

- To determine who is archiving what
- To optimize the query routing for a Memento Aggregator

# Web Archives in this Experiment

	Full text	URI-lookup
Internet Archive		✓
Library of Congress		✓
Icelandic Web Archive		✓
Library and Archives Canada	✓	✓
British Library	✓	✓
UK National Library	✓	✓
Portuguese Web Archive	✓	✓
Web Archive of Catalonia	✓	✓
Croatian Web Archive	✓	✓
Archive of the Czech Web	✓	✓
National Taiwan University	✓	✓
Archive It	✓	✓

# Experiment Set Up

- Sample URIs from different sources
  - Details coming up
- Retrieve the TimeMap for each URI from all archives
  - A TimeMap lists all Mementos for a given URI
  - A Memento is an archived version of a resource
- Analyze
  - Details coming up

# Sampling URLs

## Web

1. DMOZ:Random
2. DMOZ:TLD - 2% of each TLD from DMOZ (.com, .org, .jp, etc 52 TLD)
3. DMOZ:Languages - 100 URLs for each Languages (24 lang.)

## Web Archives Full Text

4. Top 1-Gram from Bing
5. Top 1000 queries term by Yahoo in 9 languages



## User requests

6. IA Wayback Machine Log files
7. Memento aggregator log files

# Sampling URIs - DMOZ

1. DMOZ:Random
  - 10,000 URIs randomly sampled from DMOZ directory (~5M URIs).
2. DMOZ:TLD - 2% for each TLD from DMOZ or 100 URIs whichever is greater
  - 52 TLDs (**com** 23,470) (**de** 6,332), (**org** 4,025), (**uk** 3,309), (**net** 2,073), (**it** 1,775), (**jp** 1379), (**ru** 1244), (**fr** 1154), (**pl** 1062), (**au** 764), (**ca** 642), (**at** 438), (**edu** 390), (**cz** 385), (**tr** 334), (**info** 319), (**cn** 278), (**us** 266), (**nz** 265), (**es** 238), (**ar** 213), (**no** 150), (**br** 149), (**tw** 141), (**za** 118), (**fi** 113), ( 100 URIs for [ae, cat, cl, cu, eg, gov, id, in, ir, is, ke, kr, ma, mt, mx, my, na, pe, pk, pt, sa, to, uy, zw])
3. DMOZ:Languages - 100 URIs for each language
  - 24 languages: Icelandic, Portuguese, Catalan, Afrikaans, Arabic, Indonesian, Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), Dutch, Spanish, French, Greek, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Persian, Polish , Russian, Turkish, Ukrainian

# Sampling URLs – Web Archives Full Text

- Query the fulltext search interface of select web archives with two sets of query terms.
4. Top 1-Gram from Bing
    - Most are English
  5. Top 1000 query terms from Yahoo in 9 languages
    - Excluding general keywords such as: Obama, Facebook.

# Sampling URLs – Web Archives Full Text

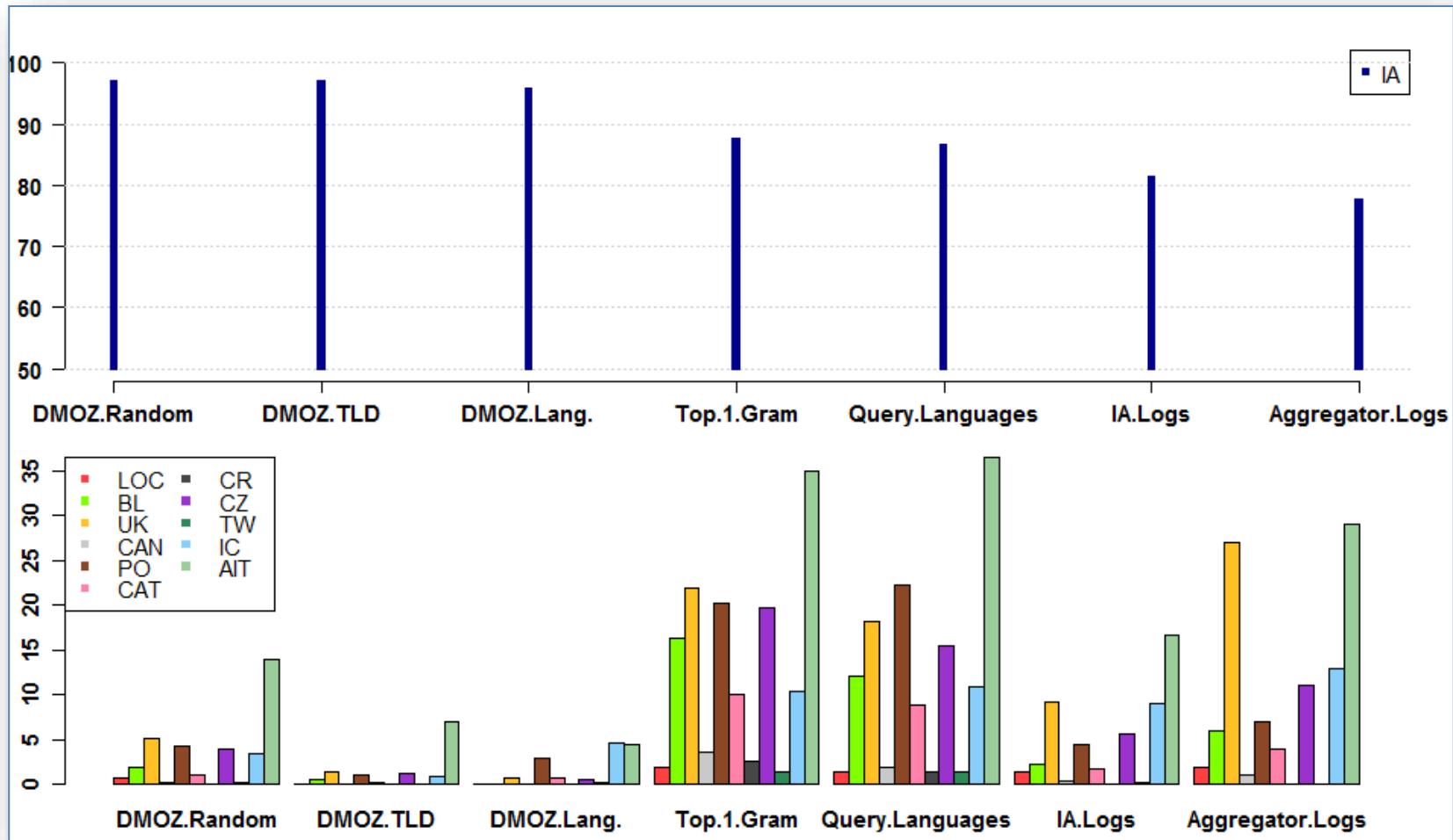
# Sampling URLs – Web Archives Full Text

		Chinese	English	French	German	Italian	Japanese	Korean	Portuguese	Spanish	Yahoo
Archive with FullText search	AIT	26	2066	3512	3837	3321	119	2	2434	214 1	12617
	BL	163	2354	2350	2240	2068	225	131	1940	205 6	6430
	CAN	49	800	804	646	601	77	113	580	514	1351
	CR	54	706	697	703	701	74	19	599	600	1599
	CZ	363	1782	1578	1695	1519	577	114	1310	127 8	6081
	CAT	28	2775	2496	2448	2280	209	129	2164	242 9	8996
	PO	91	2460	3603	3081	3113	53	69	3267	317 7	14126 5004
	TW	357	178	176	165	157	106	7	198	119	1004 354

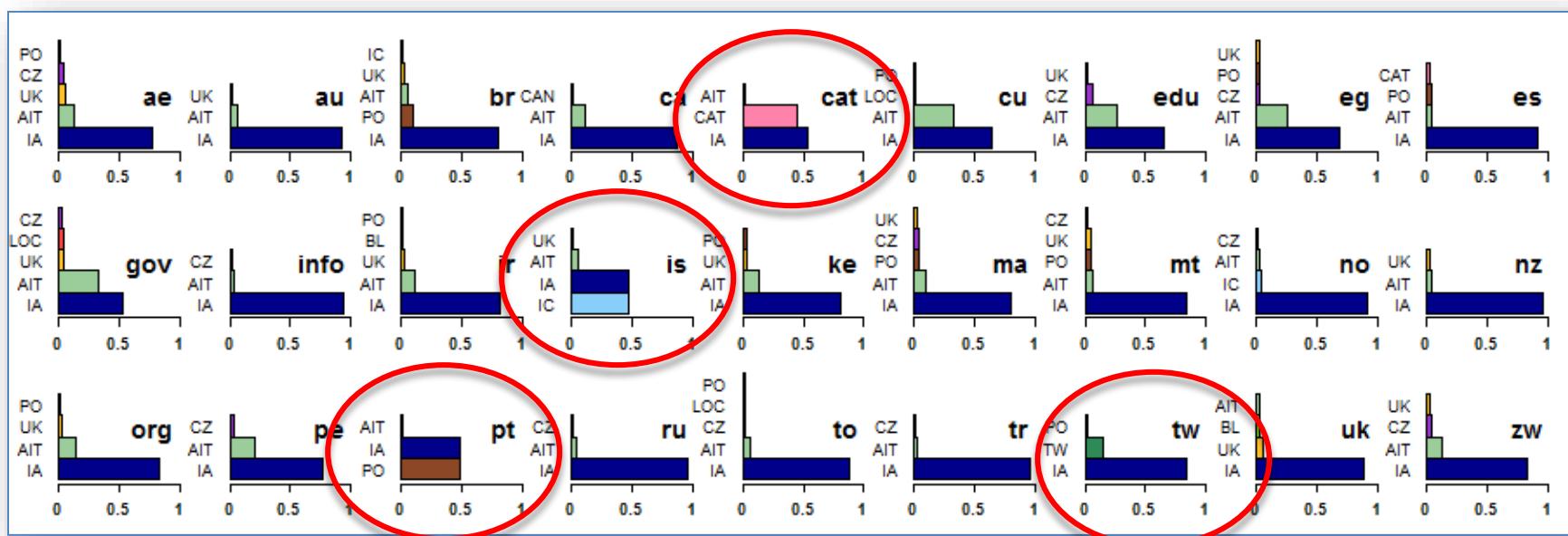
# Sampling URIs – User Requests

- Sampling from user requests for archived web resources
6. Sample from IA Wayback Machine Log files
    - 1,000 URIs randomly sampled from Feb 22, 2012 to Feb 26, 2012.
  7. Sample from Memento Aggregator log files
    - 100 URIs randomly sampled from LANL Memento Aggregator between 2011 to 2013.

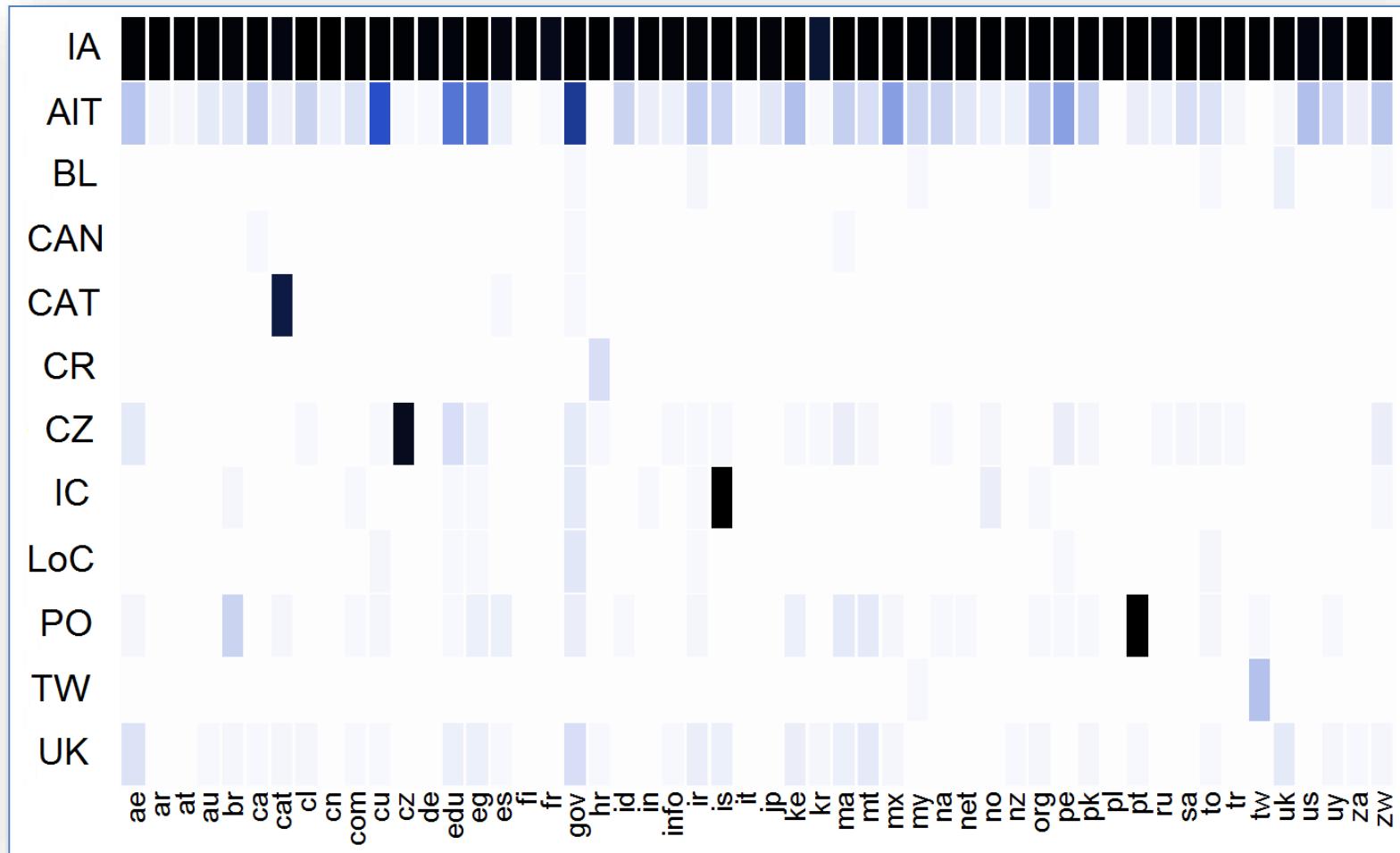
# Archive Coverage per Sample



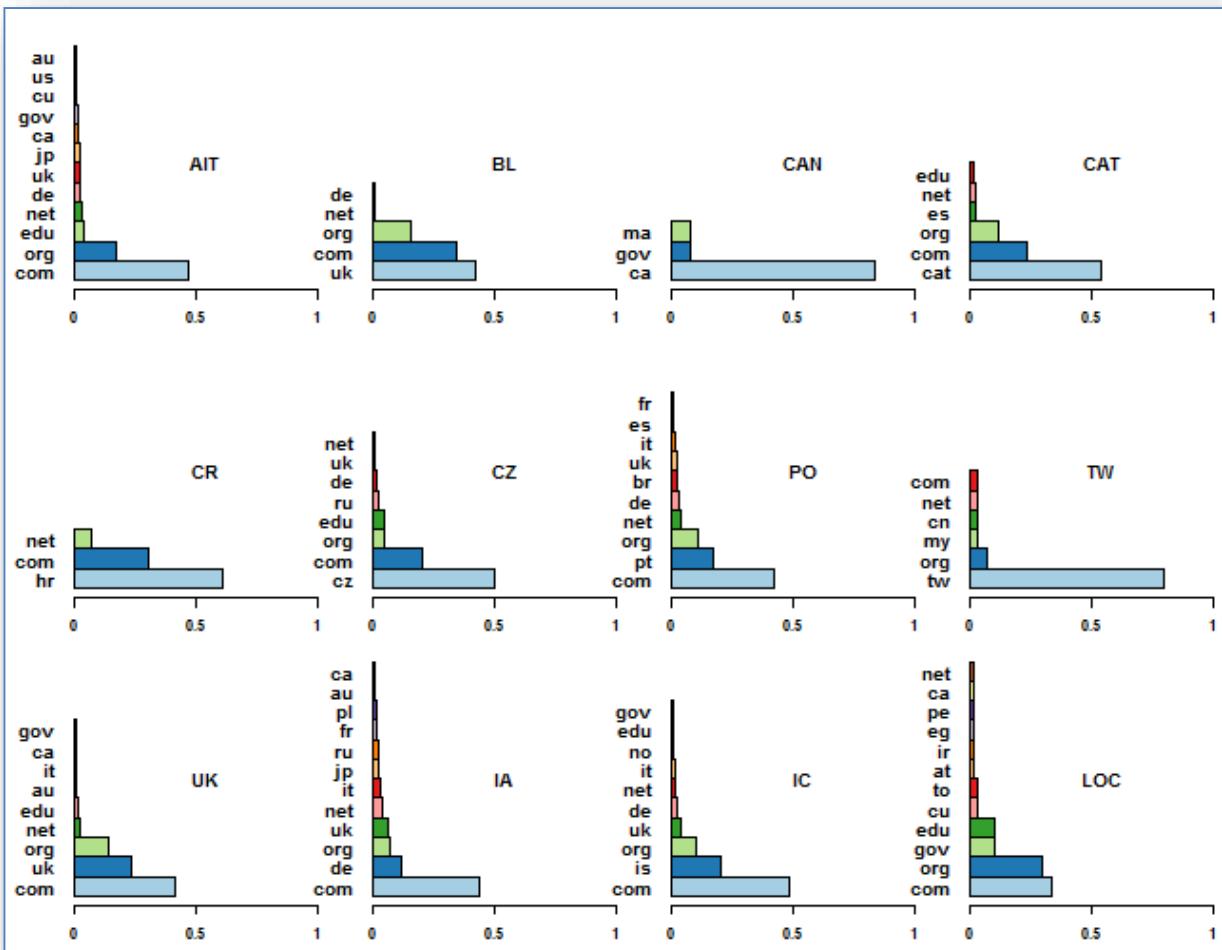
# TLD Coverage across Archives (1)



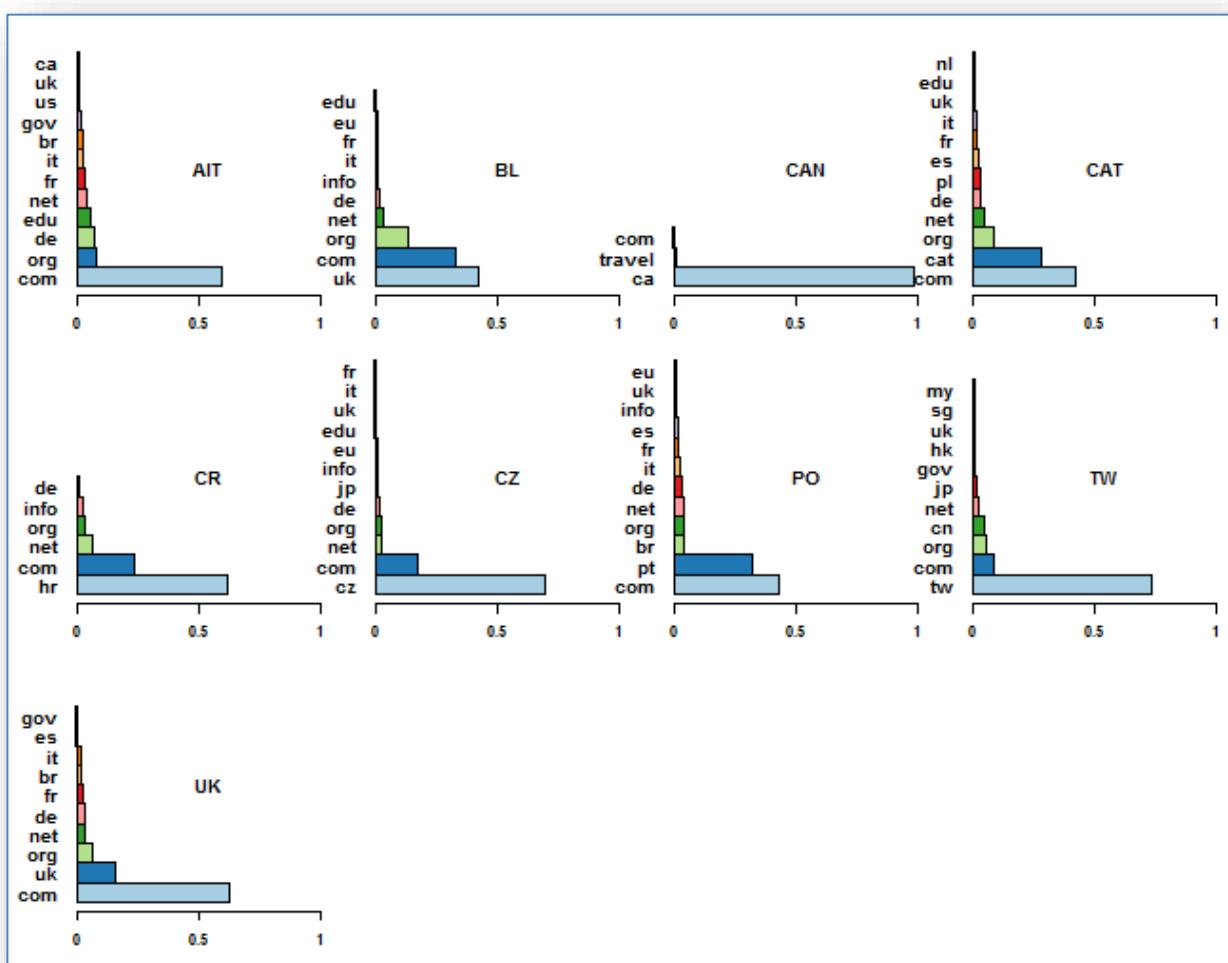
# TLD Coverage across Archives (2)



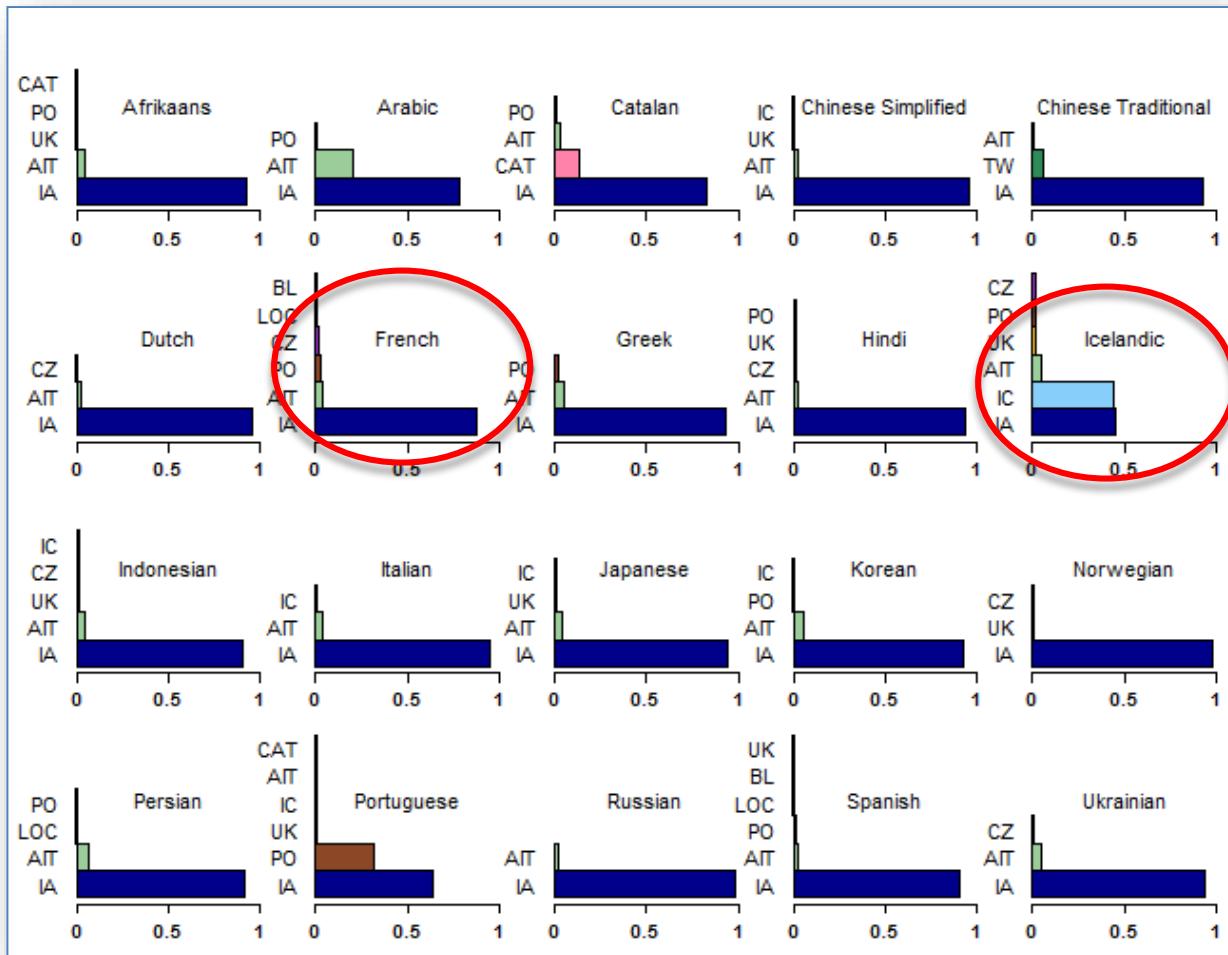
# TLD Distribution per Archive



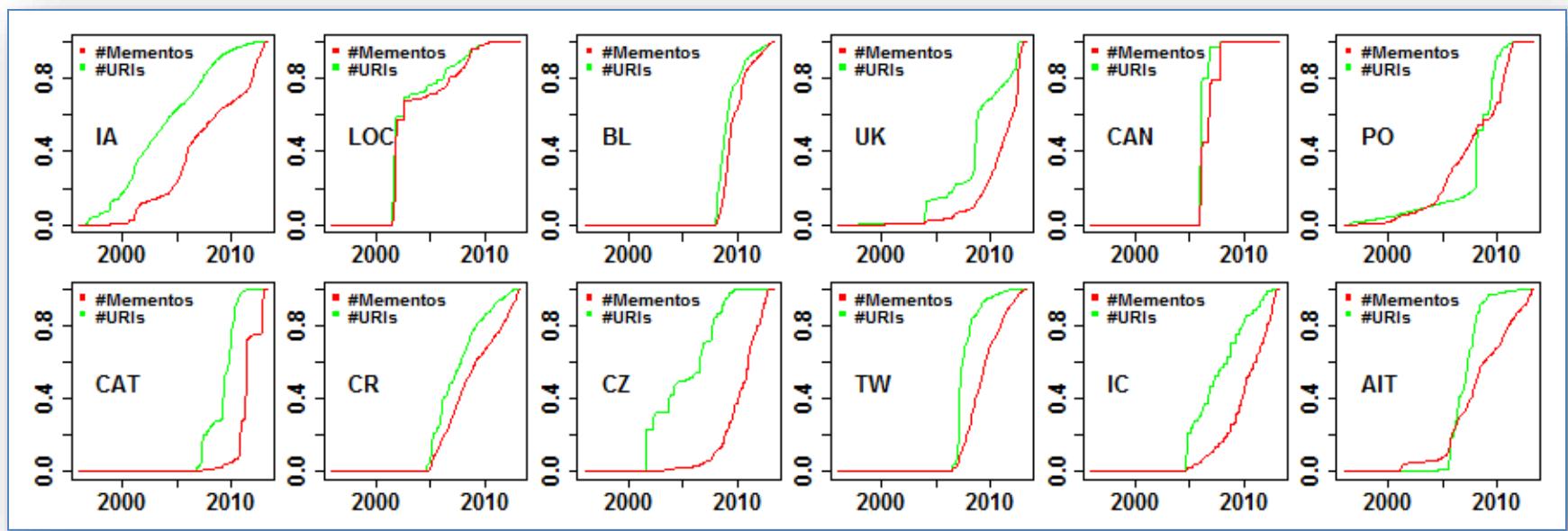
# TLD Distribution per Archive



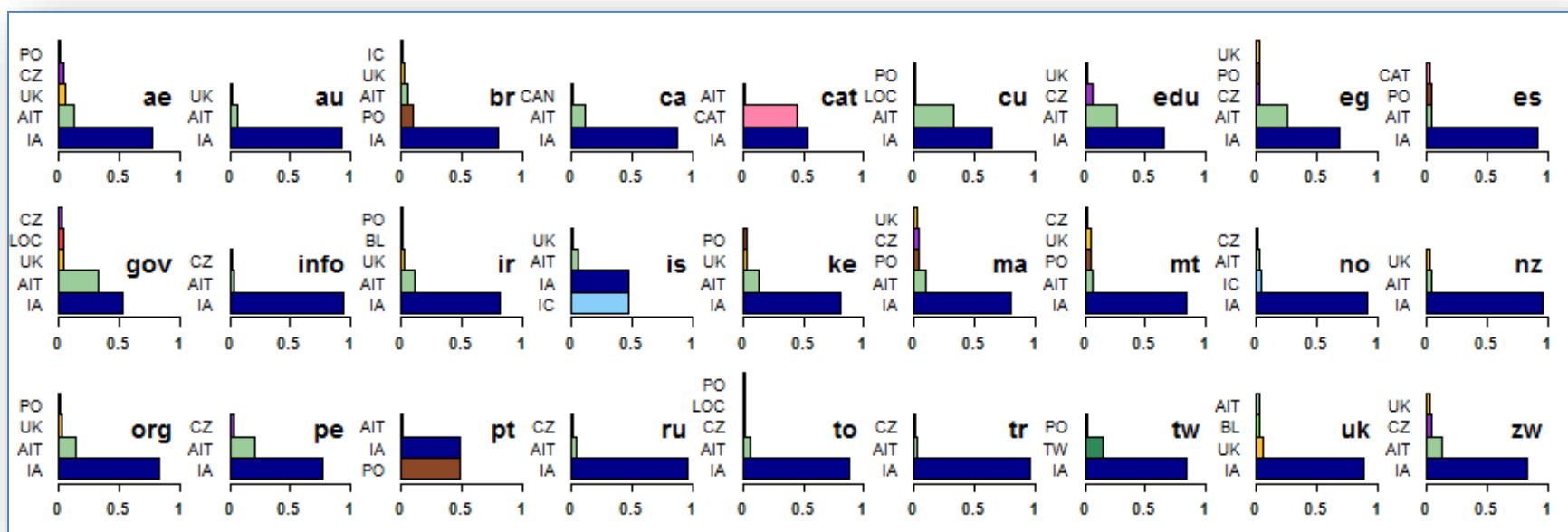
# Language Coverage per Archive



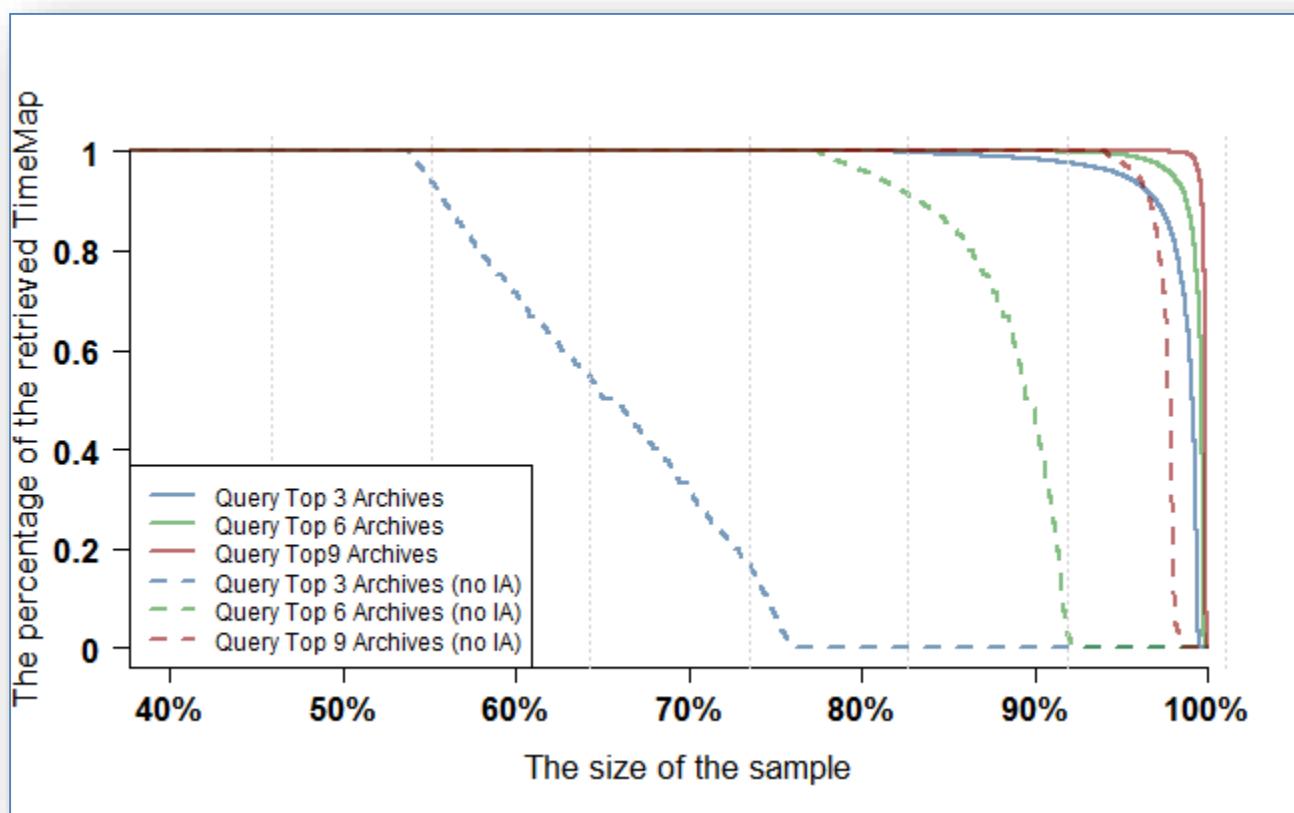
# Archive Growth Rate



# TLD Coverage across Archives



# Query Routing Evaluation



# Conclusions

- Introduced automated methodology to profile web archives using available infrastructure, no privileged access
- Coverage:
  - Internet Archive provides broad coverage
  - National archives have good coverage for their domains
  - Surprising coverage by certain archives
- Query Routing:
  - In 84% of the cases, all existing Mementos for a TLD can be found by using IA and two additional top archives for a TLD
  - In 55% of the cases, all existing Mementos for a TLD can be found by using the top 3 archives for a TLD, excluding IA