

# A Comparative Study of Various Errors Pattern for Different Languages and its types

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**Abstract-** Natural Language Processing (NLP) is a field of Computer Science. It is concerned with the interaction with computer and human languages. Modern NLP algorithms are based on Machine learning. In advanced computer system, text errors are to be expected in various forms such as OCR errors, typing errors, query based search engine errors, translation and transliterate errors etc. These errors present a grave confront to downstream processes that attempt to make use of such data. The capability to accurately recognize characters are enormously essential for various forms of automated data processing and has wide application. Since the dawn of the computing era, information has been represented digitally so that it can be processed by electronic computers. This paper describes the various types of text related computer error in different language. To search out the various errors in Indian language are very challenging.

**Keywords:** Errors, Typographic, OCR Errors, Translation and Transliterate Error, Query Based search Engine Error.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The expression Error generally means that “Something is going wrong”. The cause of occurrence of errors may be missing letters, extra letters, misspelled letters, merged words, splitted words or disordered letters. Error is categorized in two groups. The earliest is real word error and next is non-real word error. A word that is not present in lexicon is called non-real word and a word that is valid and is present in lexicon is called real word. Detection of non-real word errors are very challenging and hard task of NLP applications. Errors can be classified into many types.

### 1.1 Typing Errors

Typing error or Typographic errors are occurred due to the typist by mistake presses the wrong key, presses two keys, and presses the keys in the wrong order.

- (a) *Substitution Errors (SE)*: In this type, one or more characters are replace by another character and the resulting word may be real or non real. For example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਜਬੇਦਾਰ	ਜਬੇਧਾਰ	ਦ is substituted by ਧ

- (b) *Deletion Error (DE)*: Similarly in this type, one or more characters are deleted from the real word. For example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਯੁਨੀਵਰਸਿਟੀ	ਯੁਨੀਵਸਿਟੀ	ਰ is deleted

- (c) *Insertion Errors (IE)*: When one or more extra characters are added in the correct word. For example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਫਿਲਮ	ਫਿਲਾਮ	ਲ is replaced by ਲਾ

- (d) *Run-On-Error Or Merged Error (ROE)*: Basically these types of errors are raised due to misplaced of white spaces between two or more words. For example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਯੁਨੀਵਰਸਿਟੀ	ਪੰਜਾਬੀਯੁਨੀਵਰਸਿਟੀ	No space between ਪੰਜਾਬੀਯੁਨੀਵਰਸਿਟੀ

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(e) *Transposition Errors (TE)*: This type of error occurs when two adjacent characters are swapped. For example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਸਿਹਤ	ਸਿਤਹ	ਹ and ਤ is swapped

(f) *Split Word Errors (SWE)*: When extra spaces are additionally added in between in one or more words are called split word error. For Example

Correct word	Incorrect Word	Description
ਹਸਪਤਾਲ	ਹਸ ਪਤਾਲ	Extra space is added in between ਹਸਪਤਾਲ, word become ਹਸ ਪਤਾਲ

(g) *Visual Error (VE)*: When a word looks visually correct but inside it is incorrect. This type of error typical comes in Punjabi typing. For example

**Original Text:** ਉਹ ਦੁੱਧ ਪੀਂਦਾ ਪਿਆ ਹੈ।

**Output Text:** ਉਹ ਦੁੱਧ ਪੀਂਦਾਂ ਪਿਆ ਹੈ।

In above example ਪੀਂਦਾਂ visually looks to be rightly spelled but it is stored as ਪੀਂਦਾਂ

(h) *Phonetically Similar Character Errors*: Phonetic error are those error which the writer substitutes a phonetically correct but orthographically incorrect sequence of characters for the required word.

Class 1		Class 2		Class 3		Class 4	
ਜ	ਝ	ਸ	ਸ਼	ਰ	੍ਰ	ੁ,	ੁ
ਬ	ਭ	ਖ	ਖ਼	ਹ	੍ਹ	ੋ	ੋ
ਨ	ਣ	ਗ	ਗ਼	ਵ	੍ਵ	ੈ	ੈ
ਗ	ਘ	ਲ	ਲ਼			ੰ	ੰ
		ਫ	ਫ਼				

### 1.2 OCR Errors

Optical Character Recognition (OCR) is the process of transforming images of handwritten or typewritten text into machine-editable text (Cheriet, Kharma, Liu, and Suen, 2007). There are often mistakes in the scanned texts as the OCR system occasionally misrecognizes letters and falsely identifies scanned text, leading to misspellings and linguistic errors in the output text (Niklas, 2010). OCR errors can be divided into following types:

(a) *Old-style language*: Some old letters can be used in these kinds of texts such as the "long I" in old English writing which is often confused with the lower-cased " I " in various Roman typefaces and in blackletter. For example the word is "you write get to" can be recognised by automatic systems as "you wide get to".

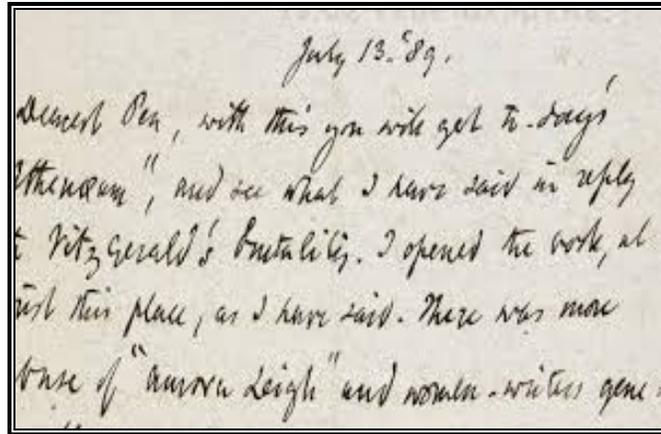


Figure 1: Old Style Writing Text

- (b) *Punctuation errors*: especially when we have a poor scanning quality, punctuation character misrecognition can cause commas or full stops to often occur in the wrong positions.

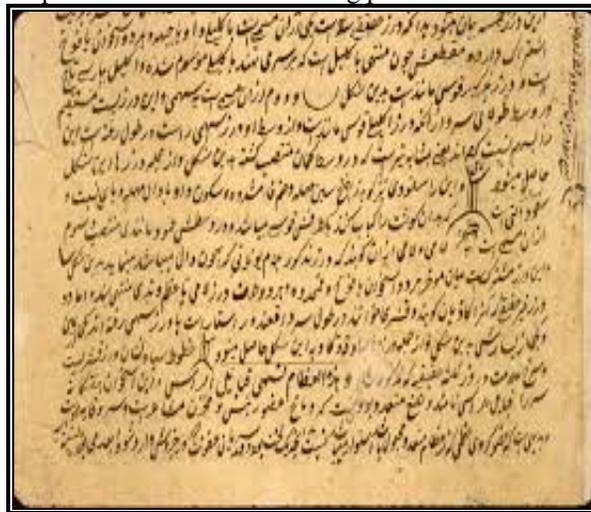


Figure 2: Poor quality Scanning

- (c) *Character format*: variations in font can also prevent accurate character recognition which leads to wrong word recognition (e.g. "iii" instead of "m" ). It can also cause the case-sensitivity errors when lower and upper case characters can be mixed up. Another example like प instead of ष and in shahmukhi like च (च) instead of च (च)
- (d) *Character Insertion, Deletion and Substitution (IDS)*: It is often the case that one or more characters are substituted or deleted, or that a character is wrongly inserted in the middle of a word like ਉਹ ਦਿੱਲੀ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ instead of ਉਹ ਦਿੱਲੀ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ
- (e) *Segmentation errors*: Unusual spacings in lines, words or characters lead to misrecognitions of white-spaces in some cases which can cause segmentation errors (e.g. "ਉਡਤਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ" instead of "ਉਡ ਤਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ").
- (f) *Word meaning*: some misrecognized characters can generate new words which are often wrong in context but correctly spelled (e.g. "ਉਹ ਜਾਣਾ ਚਾਹੇ ਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ" instead of "ਉਹ ਜਾਣਾ ਚਾਹੇ ਤਾ ਪਾਵੇ").

### 1.3 Query Refinement in Search Engine Error

Query refinement involves reformulating *ill-formed* search queries in order to enhance relevance of search result. Query refinement typically includes a number of tasks such as spelling error correction, word splitting, word merging, phrase segmentation, word stemming and acronym expansion.



different forms with various typesets. e.g. ਜਲੰਪਰ, ਜਾਲੰਪਰ, ਜੱਲੰਪਰ. Here, all the three words are same meaning but have different iterations of the same word. So it is affecting the estimated structure and volume of the dictionary.

- (b) *Multiple character with same Sound:* In Punjabi and Urdu script, there are many character sound whose sound has more than one letter. This is the major reason for spelling mistakes. For example ਤ and ਬ, ਠ and ਡ etc.
- (c) *Difference between spelling and Diacritics utterance:* In Indian languages, there are lot of words whose accent is dissimilar from its spelling. e.g.

ਸੈਹਰ	ਸ਼ਹਿਰ
ਐਂਦਾ	ਆਉਂਦਾ
ਪਾਅਣੀ	ਪਾਣੀ
ਅਧਾਰ	ਆਧਾਰ

- (d) *Problems due to Nasal Sound, Naveen and Nukta character symbols:* These can be occurred due to mistakenly presence and absence of Naveen Group characters or Nukta symbols in Punjabi and Nasal Sounds for Urdu . For Example:-

ਸ਼	ਸ਼
ਖ਼	ਖ਼
ਗ਼	ਗ਼

- (e) *Words borrowed from other Languages:* The size of lexicon is increasing day by day as new words borrowed from other languages and therefore there is no limit of size of lexicons. Rich Indian Languages have included many words borrowed from other languages especially from English, Urdu. E.g. ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ, ਬਸਸਟੈਂਡ-, ਪਲੇਟਫਾਰਮ, ਗਜ਼ਲ, ਗੁਸਲਖਾਨਾ, ਮੁਬਾਰਕਾ

## II. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have discussed about outline of various error pattern in various local languages. Our analysis of these error have based on above mentioned error patterns. In addition the usual mistakes are due to: Multiple forms of the same word, Slight difference between the pronunciation and spellings of some of the common words, Phonetic similarities of various consonants and vowels, Borrowed words from other languages, Unnecessary Insertion, deletion, substitution etc. In future, we will study various error detect and correction techniques and try to develop algorithm to detect and correct these kind of various errors.

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