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INVESTIGATING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF LINGUISTICS IN A DIGITALIZED WORLD- A META ANALYTICAL REPORT

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ABSTRACT



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Accepted on :14 -09-2023 Available online: 17-09-2023 The objective of the study is to delve into the importance of linguistics in a world rapidly transitioning towards digitization. This study seeks to understand better the role language plays in digital environments and its potential impact on communication, culture, and society as a whole. The study involves a considerable amount of time and effort in conducting extensive research by analyzing a multitude of theoretical articles to identify relevant and valuable references to obtain the most precise result, concluding that the vastness of the internet, while impressive, may not fully represent all languages and domains worldwide. Language in the digital realm constantly evolves with new technologies, requiring adaptation. The internet is a valuable resource, yet it can also be distracting. However, the availability of abundant text in various languages and on a broad range of topics makes it an excellent point of departure for exploring possibilities in mass research.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Linguistics is a field of study that applies scientific methods to analyze language in its various forms, including phonetics, morphology, syntax, and semantics. In today's digital era, linguistics plays a crucial role in elucidating the intricacies of language, evolution, and its impact on human communication. Its insights are particularly relevant for businesses and organizations seeking to develop effective communication strategies that resonate with diverse audiences. Understanding the principles of linguistics is of great importance when it comes to developing and improving natural language processing systems, including speech recognition, text analysis, and chatbots. Employing linguistic knowledge and algorithms makes it possible to analyze and generate texts and speech that sound natural. Linguistics helps us to grasp the rules, patterns, and variations that exist in the use of language, as well as the complexities and ambiguities that arise in different languages and contexts. Our language reflects our culture and plays a significant role in shaping our worldview. Understanding linguistics can significantly aid in fostering crosscultural communication. Linguistics plays a crucial role in preserving and revitalizing endangered languages, safeguarding our cultural heritage, promoting human diversity, and providing effective means of documenting, analyzing, and teaching these languages. In addition, it enables the development of digital resources and tools that support the maintenance and revitalization of these languages.

1.1 STATEMENT OF PROBLEM:

The primary purpose of this research is to conduct an in-depth investigation and comprehensive analysis of the profound impact of the digital world on the everchanging and multifaceted linguistic styles. This study seeks to explore and shed light on the various ways in which the digital realm has transformed the way we communicate, express ourselves, and interact with one another through language. The study will employ a variety of research studies to collect and analyze investigator's data, including observations. Ultimately, the findings of this research endeavour will contribute to a better understanding of the complex relationship between technology and language.

1.2 SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PROBLEM

The study will aid the investigator in comprehending the influence of the internet on formal language, which has become more omnipresent in our daily lives. Teaching or communicating with GenZ and Gen Alpha in Modern Language Arts classes, in particular, with students being exposed to the language of the internet more than ever before, it is inevitable that the grammatical structure and slang of the online world will gradually trickle into their formal writing. To maintain relevance and effective communication with the younger generation, it is imperative to remain abreast of the constantly evolving language trends on the internet. Vigilant attention to web linguistics can facilitate seamless communication, fostering better understanding and connection with Generation Z and Alpha. This cutting-edge research has the potential to benefit both linguists and web users alike. It is an exciting prospect for all those who

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are interested in exploring the ever-evolving world of language and technology.

2. METHODOLOGY AND DESIGN

The study is designed for meta-analysis method. Meta-analysis is a robust statistical tool researchers employ to obtain a more precise and dependable estimate by amalgamating the results of several scientific studies. This technique is typically employed when multiple studies address an identical inquiry, and each study reports measurements that may contain a degree of error. Utilizing statistical methods to consider and incorporate this margin of error, meta-analysis aims to reveal the underlying truth common to all the studies. Meta-analysis plays a crucial role in Metascience, a field that scrutinizes the scientific process. It is widely regarded as the most reliable source of evidence in the literature on evidence-based methods (EBM). By consolidating the results of multiple studies and literature reviews, meta-analysis can provide a more comprehensive understanding of a particular topic. It can help to identify any inconsistencies or biases that may exist in individual studies.

3. LITERATURE REVIEW

Web linguistics is a highly specialized field that delves into the intricacies of language styles and forms that have come into being as a direct result of the influence of the Internet and other new media platforms, such as SMS text messaging (Bangor, 2005). This field was brought to prominence by renowned English linguist David Crystal (Crystal, 2005). With the advent of human-computer interaction, which inevitably led to computermediated and internet-mediated communication, experts such as Gretchen McCulloch (Mcculloch,

(2019)) have recognised linguistics' pivotal role in web interface and usability. By scrutinizing the emerging language trends on the Internet, it is possible to enhance conceptual organization, translation, and overall web usability. Web or Internet linguistics can be approached from various peripheries, including sociolinguistics, education, stylistics, and applied linguistics (Bangor, 2005). Further dimensions have emerged due to technological advancements, including the development of the Web as a corpus and the influence of stylistic variations spread through the Internet, mass media, and literary works. With an increasing number of users connected to the Internet, the future of linguistics on the Internet remains uncertain as new computer-mediated technologies continue to emerge and people adapt their language to ensemble these new-fangled media (Kilgarriff, Adam; Grefenstette, Gregory, 2003). The ubiquitous presence of the Internet has played a crucial role in not only disseminating information but also in redirecting attention towards proper language usage. Its far-reaching influence and accessibility have allowed individuals from all walks of life to engage with linguistic content, thereby promoting a more widespread understanding and appreciation of language (Cunliffe, Daniel; et al, 2005)

David Crystal, a distinguished English linguist, advocates for an intriguing field of linguistics called Internet linguistics or web linguistics. This particular area of study is concerned with examining new language styles and forms that have arisen due to the pervasive influence of digital technologies on contemporary media forms is undeniable, with platforms such as the Internet and SMS messaging

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having a particularly noteworthy impact. As human-computer interaction has evolved, leading to computer-mediated communication (CMC) and Internet-mediated communication (IMC), experts like Gretchen McCulloch have recognized linguistics' vital role in web interface and usability. Studying the emerging language on the Internet can improve conceptual organization, translation, and web usability, ultimately benefiting linguists and web users.

3.1 THE SIGNIFICANT APPROACHES OF THE STUDY

Renowned linguist David Crystal has astutely pointed out that four crucial areas of study are intrinsically linked and warrant further exploration. These are sociolinguistics, education, style, and application. With their intricate interplay and complex nuances, delving deeper into these domains can significantly enhance our understanding of language and its multifaceted role in society.

3.1.1 SOCIOLINGUISTIC APPROACH

The following perspective delves into the societal perception of the impact of Internet development on languages. The advent of the Internet has ushered in a communication revolution, fundamentally altering how individuals interact and giving rise to novel platforms with profound social influence. These platforms encompass SMS text messaging, email communication, chat groups, virtual environments, and the World Wide Web. The evolution of communication technology has prompted concerns regarding its impact on language usage. As Crystal (2005) observes, similar apprehensions have surfaced throughout history whenever a technological

breakthrough alters our means of communication. This phenomenon was evident in the 15th century with the advent of printing, the 19th century with the invention of the telephone, and the 20th century with the proliferation of broadcasting across our society. In recent years, computer-mediated communication (CMC) methods have significantly improved immediate communication—specifically, text messaging and push mail. The utilization of mobile devices, such as the iPhone and BlackBerry, is widely prevalent in modern times and has been instrumental in achieving this. Their widespread use has enabled people to communicate quickly and efficiently, making them valuable tools in today's fast-paced world (Cohen, Peter, 2008).

Many educational institutions provide personalized email accounts for both educators and students to facilitate communication collaboration. In recent years, online discussion forums have gained popularity as a platform for classroom discussions, allowing for increased engagement and participation. For example, at Nanyang Technological University, students utilize edveNTUre, the university's portal, to participate in collaborative learning through forum discussions, online quizzes, and streaming podcasts created by course instructors. In 2008, iTunes U partnered with over 600 institutions across 18 countries, including esteemed universities such as Oxford, Cambridge, and Yale, to offer academic lectures and scholastic materials at no cost through the Apple music service.

Educators worldwide continually seek new and innovative methods to enhance student engagement in their academic pursuits. One avenue that has exhibited significant growth is academic,

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social networking and media. At New York University, for instance, students frequently utilize Skype to engage guest speakers, receive prompt messaging support from library personnel, and remotely access library resources. However, the increased adoption of these computer-mediated communications (CMC) platforms by educators and students alike is likely to change language usage.

In the field of business, it is a commonplace for organizations to establish internet connectivity for their computer systems and portable devices, both through wired and wireless modalities. Employees are commonly provided with personal email accounts, which serve as a valuable means of communication both within the company and with external stakeholders. Mobile devices, such as smartphones, are also on the rise in corporate settings, with enterprises even integrating iPhones into their setups as early as 2008. These new modes of computer-mediated communication have brought about changes in language usage, with informality becoming more prevalent and raising concerns about the potential degradation of Notwithstanding, linguist David Crystal regards this as a positive manifestation of language creativity.

Exploring sociolinguistics, specifically how language is utilized online, can be delineated by examining five interconnected concepts (Thurlow, Crispin, 2010). Firstly, it examines the prevalence and status of different languages on the internet, shedding light on the diversity of linguistic representation, also called Multilingualism. Secondly, it delves into the dynamic nature of language, i.e., Language change, exploring how language adapts to the constraints of technology and shifting socio-

economic priorities. Thirdly, it analyzes conversational discourse, a pattern of social interaction and communicative practices that emerge in online environments. Fourthly, it scrutinizes the spread of internet jargon and related linguistic forms into common usage, known as stylistic diffusion, which intersects with the aspect of language styles. Lastly, it investigates the impact of Metalinguistics and folk linguistics concerning how these linguistic forms change on the internet. They are labelled and discussed, including the impact of internet lingo on using apostrophes and capitalization.

3.1.2 INSTRUCTIVE APPROACH

The field of web linguistics is dedicated to examining the impact of the Internet on language usage, especially in formal settings like Standard English, and how this affects language education. The emergence of the Internet has introduced novel linguistic features exclusive to this platform, including increase in informal written language, inconsistency in writing styles and stylistics, and the use of new abbreviations in chats and text messages. These abbreviations, such as "lol" for "laughing out loud," "omg" for "oh my god," and "gtg" for "got to go" (Nazaryan, Ani; Gridchin, Aleksandr, 2006) serve practical purposes, such as saving time and effort when communicating through these mediums. These features have arisen due to technological constraints and the unique nature of the Internet platform.

Extensive research has been conducted on the impact of the Internet on language education, with a particular emphasis on the educational perspective. It is imperative to educate both current and future generations of students on Using informal language that is commonly used on the internet in a

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timely and appropriate manner. There is a growing concern regarding the infiltration of incorrect word usage and colloquial language into formal situations, such as the utilization of casual words like "guy" or the substitution of "preclude" for "precede" in academic papers. Furthermore, educators have observed an increase in spelling and grammar errors in students' scholarly works, with the most common being the use of abbreviations like "u" for "you" and "to" for "2" (Hayslett, Chandra M, 2006)

According to linguists and esteemed professors such as Eleanor Johnson, there has been speculation regarding a potential correlation between the prevalence of writing errors and the widespread use of the Internet. Educators have likewise noted the emergence of new forms of grammatical and spelling errors in student work. At present, there remains little empirical evidence to substantiate these claims (Abrams, Rachel, 2010). Conversely, Naomi S. Baron posits in her notable work "Always On" that internet-mediated communication, including chat messaging and email, has minimal impact on students' writing abilities (Naomi S. Baron, 2007). A 2009 study published in the British Journal of Developmental Psychology revealed that students who regularly sent text messages demonstrated a broader vocabulary, which could prove advantageous to their reading development (BBC, 2009)

While the Internet has undoubtedly contributed to stylistic changes that may not align with formal or academic language norms, language education is not deleterious. The Internet presents a wealth of opportunities to enhance language learning, particularly in the context of second or

foreign language acquisition. Language education via the Internet, focusing on web linguistics, can be effectively applied through communication channels such as blogs, discussion forums, email, blogs and chat messengers (Xie, Tim, 2008). This fosters more significant interaction between language learners and native speakers, facilitating improved learning and error correction. Additionally, learners can acquire valuable skills such as negotiation and persuasion.

3.1.3 PROCEDURAL / STYLISTIC APPROACH

This viewpoint delves into the influence of the Internet and its technologies and methods on language development, specifically within the realm of literature. The Internet is viewed as a platform that has given rise to new language trends. This innovative form of language is of great interest to study as it blends both spoken and written languages. In contrast to conventional writing, which is static, the new language on the Internet is dynamic, with words appearing in various font dimensions and colours on the screen (Cook, Franklin, 2001). However, this new language also encompasses elements not present in natural languages. In online communication, it is a common practice for individuals to utilize the original message as a foundation for their reply, selectively addressing specific aspects while disregarding others. Discussion forums on various platforms also enable individuals worldwide to initiate a thread and subsequently receive feedback from a diverse array of individuals. This mode of communication differs significantly from that typically encountered in written language. (Thurlow, Crispin, 2001). The study is currently exploring the various forms of expression that are generated through the use of the Internet and its

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associated technologies. This topic seeks to understand the impact of these forms of expression on written languages and their spoken counterparts. Specifically, the communicative style of Internet language is most prominently observed in computermediated communication (CMC) channels. In such context, concerted efforts are made to overcome technological limitations, such as transmission delays, while also striving to clarify social cues often challenging to discern in written text.

3.1.3. AN EMAIL

Email has emerged as a highly prevalent and influential communication medium, leaving an unmistakable impact on language. A linguistic analysis reveals that emails are a unique amalgamation of speech and writing, encompassing format, style, and grammar (Baron, Naomi S, 1998). Email authors can express their thoughts and concepts swiftly, conveniently, and impulsively (Olsen, Stefanie; Suri, Sabena, 2007). Despite being generally perceived as a casual mode of communication, email has now infiltrated the domain of professional correspondence and job applications. Consequently, email has developed an extensive array of formal and informal language styles to cater to distinct contexts and diverse audiences. According to David Crystal, the notion that e-mail threatens language education is unfounded. Despite concerns that it has led to a proliferation of informal language in students' written work, Crystal argues that e-mail's stylistic expressiveness presents a valuable opportunity for language learners to exercise their linguistic choices responsibly (Crystal, David, 2006). Moreover, the younger generation's frequent use of e-mail may enhance their writing and communication

skills as they articulate their thoughts and ideas through digital communication.

3.1.3.B MESSAGING

Instant messaging is a popular mode of online communication that facilitates real-time and private interaction among participants (The EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative , 2011). One of its most distinctive features is using acronyms and short forms, often employed to convey messages more efficiently. Unlike other forms of online communication, instant messaging fosters a sense of familiarity among users, allowing for a greater degree of informality in language the use of "typographical and idiosyncrasies". This can be particularly useful for bridging generational gaps, as individuals of all ages can communicate with one another through this medium. As a result, there is a more extraordinary occurrence of stylistic variation, which makes for a rich and diverse linguistic landscape. Additionally, unlike chat groups, where participants typically share similar interests and may feel pressure to conform to a particular language or style, instant messaging offers a more open and flexible environment for communication.

3.1.3.C MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones, or cell phones, have evolved significantly from being merely communication devices to multi-functional platforms for creative expression. This is evident from The Guardian's text-messaging poetry contests, where users are challenged to push their linguistic abilities to the limit within the 160-character limitation imposed by cell phones. Similarly, Twitter's 280-character limit has sparked debates regarding the level of creativity

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involved in using abbreviated forms. Nonetheless, Twitter has undoubtedly introduced new linguistic augmented the range of expressions and communication possibilities. In essence, technology has revolutionized the way we communicate with others and express ourselves (Clark, Roy Peter, 2009). In recent years, a new literary genre has emerged with the advent of cell phone technology the cell phone novel. These novels are distributed and consumed by readers in short instalments, typically consisting of several chapters. Written in a style reminiscent of text messaging, cell phone novels are often characterized by their "raw" form, devoid of the traditional editing processes found in more conventional works of fiction (Onishi, Norimitsu, 2008). The unique aspect of this genre is the ability of authors to receive feedback and ideas from their readers through email or other online feedback channels. This interactive aspect allows for a dynamic relationship between the author and reader, with the storyline of the novel potentially influenced by the ideas and suggestions of the audience. The degree of notoriety attained by these literary works is frequently gauged by the frequency of their downloads, which can result in authors modifying their work to meet the demands of their readers (Associated Press, 2005). Despite their success, some have criticized cell phone novels for their perceived lack of assorted vocabulary and miserable grammar (Galbraith, Patrick W, 2011)

3.1.3.D BLOGS

Blogging has revolutionized the way personal diaries are written and shared with the world. Linguistically speaking, blog posts are in their most natural form, as they are published without formal editing. This uniqueness sets blogs apart from other forms of written communication, which often undergo some level of standardization and editing (Crystal, David, 2006). David Crystal, a language expert, recognizes blogs as the beginning of a new chapter in the evolution of written language (Associated Press, 2003). The widespread popularity of blogs has led to the creation of various other forms of online communication, including photoblogs, videoblogs, audio blogs, and moblogs. These interactive blogging platforms have given rise to new linguistic conventions and styles, with more expected to emerge.

3.1.3.E VIRTUAL WORLD

Through virtual worlds, we can observe how individuals communicate through natural language in these emerging mediums. These users engage in conversations through text-based chatrooms and computer-generated environments and have developed a unique vocabulary consisting of slang words such as "pawn, noob and Emoticons". To better express themselves within the limitations of cyberspace communication, they have also created emoticons to convey their emotions and thoughts effectively; as the lack of emotivity can be a hurdle, these individuals have adapted to the new digital landscape by finding new ways to communicate and express themselves (Cicognani, Anna, 1998).

Regarding online communities centred around role-playing games, multi-user domains, and virtual worlds, communication is a dynamic and fast-paced affair that values brevity and spontaneity. Due to the nature of computer-mediated communication, conversations tend to be more unpredictable, unstructured, and open-ended. Participants often

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engage in complex and multi-threaded exchanges consisting of short turns. To convey emphasis, users capitalize words, utilize symbols like asterisks to highlight specific words or phrases (e.g. *stress*), and creatively use punctuation, such as ???!?!?!? (Thurlow, Crispin, 2001). Symbols also have discourse functions, such as the asterisk serving as a conversational repair marker and arrows and carats acting as deixis and referent markers (Collister, Lauren B, 2012) (Collister, Lauren Brittany, 2011) . Virtual worlds not only contribute to the evolution of language but are also used for language-learning purposes. These simulated environments allow students to practice their language skills in real-life situations, especially for younger learners who find these platforms a natural space for education and playing (Press Release, 2007)

3.1.3.F MASS MEDIA

In recent times, there has been a noticeable shift in the language used in television advertisements. Internet slang, which has become increasingly prevalent in our daily lives, is now being employed by advertisers to appeal to a broader audience. A prime example of this trend is using acronyms like BFF (meaning Best Friend Forever) in one of the ads in America (Pawelski, Amanda, 2011). More and more companies are following suit and incorporating internet slang into their advertisements to better connect with individuals who grew up using the internet and computer-mediated communication (CMC) platforms. The advent of the internet has significantly impacted how formal language is employed, indicating the effectiveness of this marketing strategy. It has become apparent that the influence of Internet language has expanded into the

realm of popular music. One example is Trey Songz's song "LOL :-)", where he references Twitter and texting in the lyrics (Songz, Trey, 2010). This showcases the integration of technology and language in modern music

The proliferation of Internet language has not only impacted how we communicate online, but it has also influenced the film industry. Both independent and commercial filmmakers have integrated it into their works, resulting in broader accessibility to the public (Swanberg, 2006). Independent films can be easily purchased or streamed live online. In contrast, commercial movies screened in cinemas have a greater reach, leading to a more rapid and extensive dissemination of Internet slang. A notable example of this trend is the film "LOL," which prominently features popular Internet slang (Kaufman, Gil, 2010).

It is interesting to note that internet slang is not limited to the English language only. The Korean language has incorporated the English alphabet into its slang, and other languages have unique ways of using this type of slang. One common reason for the creation of slang is due to fast typing, leading to misspellings that eventually become widely accepted in informal digital communication. Interestingly, popular television shows like "High Kick Through the Roof" have significantly reinforced new Korean slang in everyday language.

3.1.3.G MEMES

Throughout the annals of history, the dissemination of cultural values and practices from one generation to the next has been a ubiquitous phenomenon. In 1976, Richard Dawkins, an ethologist, introduced the

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term "meme" to describe the concept of a "unit of cultural transmission" or "unit of imitation". Essentially, a meme is an idea, behavior, or style that spreads among individuals within a given culture. With the advent of the Internet, memes have taken on a new guise. Internet memes are described by David Beskow, Sumeet Kumar, and Kathleen Carley as "any digital unit that transfers culture". Internet memes, such as images, videos, and hashtags, come in various forms and are shared on social media platforms. According to the definition of Internet memes by Shifman, they are a group of digital items that share standard content, form, and stance features. They are created with knowledge of each other and disseminated, imitated, and transformed via the Internet by numerous users. In essence, they are cultural artefacts that are created and shared within the digital realm.

3.1.4 APPLIED APPROACH

The applied perspective of online communication explores the intricate ways language is utilized on the Internet and the resulting impact. This includes an examination of both positive and negative aspects. While English remains the predominant language used on the web, there has been a gradual increase in the number of users who speak other languages. The Global Internet Usage page provides a wealth of data on Internet users, categorized by their language, nationality, and geography. The multilingual environment on the Internet is becoming more diverse as additional language communities connect online. The Internet serves as a platform for endangered and minority languages to thrive and raise awareness about their use. This is evidenced by the presence of language documentation and revitalization efforts, which can contribute to the growth of these languages.

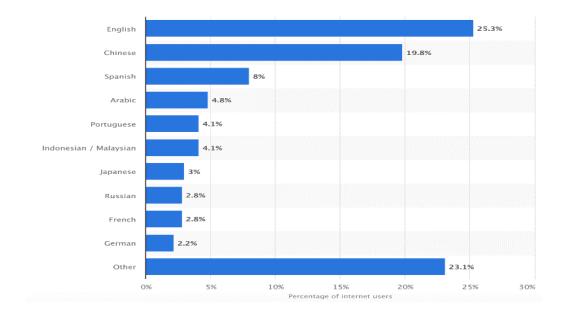


Figure 1: % of most widely used Internet languages 2023

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3.1.4. A LANGUAGE DOCUMENTATION

The Internet has become a crucial resource for preserving and documenting various languages in contemporary society. Creating digital archives containing audio and video recordings allows languages to be preserved and shared globally (Johnson, Heidi, 2004). It is remarkable how the Internet has facilitated the preservation of endangered languages, a cause significantly championed by Webster's groundbreaking work in 2003. As a result, there has been an increase in interest in linguistic documentation worldwide, with more and more people recognizing the importance of preserving our diverse linguistic heritage.

The Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Project (HRELP) is a prominent organization that plays a pivotal role in promoting linguistic documentation. With the support of Arcadia, this project is dedicatedly working towards documenting endangered languages and preserving and sharing documentation materials. The Endangered Languages Archive (ELAR) program ensures that all collected materials are made available online, making them easily accessible to anyone who requires them.

Numerous online resources offer valuable assistance in documenting languages, among which the Language Archive Newsletter stands out as a highly informative source. This newsletter delivers up-to-date news and articles related to endangered languages, providing researchers with invaluable insights into the current state of threatened languages. Moreover, the web version of Ethnologue offers a concise but comprehensive overview of all the known living languages worldwide, enabling researchers to access a wealth of information and

build upon it to help preserve endangered languages. By leveraging the internet and its vast resources, researchers can make significant strides in safeguarding the world's linguistic diversity.

3.1.4.B LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION

The advent of the Internet has brought about a remarkable revolution in language revitalization. In the course of time, the digital landscape has undergone a significant transformation, enabling people to stay connected virtually regardless of their geographical location. Through email, chats, and instant messaging, communicators are able to bridge the gap between them, thereby fostering effective communication. Language courses have embraced email communication to encourage students to communicate in diverse styles, including conference- formats and engendering discussions (Singhal, Meena, 1997) . Additionally, email usage has facilitated the revitalization of minority languages. Individuals who have relocated to regions where their native language is not spoken can use the Internet as a platform to connect with their loved ones and maintain the use of their language. Furthermore, with the advent of telephone broadband communication tools such as Skype, language revitalization through the Internet is no longer the exclusive preserve of literate users.

Hawaii's knowledgeable educators have made the most of the Internet to boost language revitalization programs (Warschauer, Mark, 1998). In 1994, they established a graphical bulletin board system named Leoki, meaning "powerful voice," which is entirely in Hawaiian. This revolutionary system has been installed throughout the immersion school system and boasts various features such as e-

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mails, chat, dictionaries, and online newspapers. For higher education institutions that still need to get Leoki in place, Educators have implemented an array of software and internet tools, such as Daedalus Interchange, email, and the web, to foster connectivity between Hawaiian language learners and the wider community (Warschauer, Mark, 2000).

The internet is undoubtedly a potent and influential tool in promoting cultural diversity. One way it can do so is by providing a platform for students who speak minority languages to express themselves in their mother tongue. This enables them to share their native culture with a broader audience, including people who live in far-flung locations. Moreover, the Occitan (Wathiik, JDvillalobose, 2023) language community has been leveraging the Internet to connect with other speakers of their language across the globe. This has proven an effective strategy for preserving their language and culture. Communicating in their native language, these methods help to promote the use of minority languages (Wright, Sue, 2007) (Cazden, Courtney B., 2003). Additionally, digital technologies, often viewed as "cool" by the younger generation, can help sustain their interest and engagement in using their native language.

4 IMPACT OF INTERNET SPREAD AND INFLUENCE

The pervasiveness of Internet stylistics has surpassed new media boundaries and seeped into various other domains, such as movies, music, and literature. This encroachment is significant as it acquaints vast audiences with linguistic styles distinct to the Internet and may not adhere to conventional language norms. In contemporary communication

channels, including those on the Internet, grammatical errors, typographical mistakes, and Internet slang are commonplace. Unfortunately, these errors can infiltrate everyday language use, both in written and spoken form, as users grow accustomed to them. Notably, such mistakes are also observed in mass media works. Instances of typographical errors in published news articles, errors in grammar within advertisements, and the improper usage of internet slang have been observed and warrant attention in dramatic dialogues. The internet has become an integral part of our daily existence, revolutionizing the way we communicate, share knowledge, and conduct commerce. Its pervasive impact is evident across various domains of life, particularly in Language Arts classes. Students are exposed to internet language through multiple devices like smartphones, tablets, and social media, which has led to a noticeable infiltration of internet grammar and slang into formal writing. In addition, the rise of the Internet and the overall immersion of people within it has brought forth a new wave of internet activism that impacts the public daily.

5 MANIPULATIONS OF THE INTERNET

It is imperative to consider the potential benefits and challenges when navigating this vast and complex digital landscape. By adopting responsible online behavior and utilizing the internet for positive purposes, we can harness its vast potential to enrich our lives and society. However, it is equally critical to be mindful of the inherent risks and dangers associated with internet use, such as cyberbullying, online harassment, and identity theft. Therefore, it is essential to strike a balance between utilizing the internet's capabilities while also ensuring we are

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safeguarding our personal information and wellbeing. The internet has unfortunately become a breeding ground for illicit activities such as terrorism, fraud, and the heinous act of paedophilia. The internet's anonymity has made it easier for these activities to thrive and go undetected (Science Daily, 2008). However, some measures can be taken to identify and address these concerns. One effective solution is using forensic linguistic techniques, which can help identify the perpetrators of such crimes. Additionally, implementing search term filters can help protect children vulnerable to such criminal behavior in chat rooms. By taking these proactive measures, we can work towards creating a safer online community for everyone (Lee, Ryan, 2010)

6 CHALLENGES

Given the variations in existing statistical patterns, applying language modelling to various text types is limited (Biber, Douglas, 1993). It remains to be seen whether language technology systems will perform optimally when applied to new text types, and the model's efficacy can differ significantly based on the training corpus (Sekine, Satshi, 1997). The absence of theoretical categories further compounds the challenge of assessing the usefulness of language modelling work. These limitations underscore the need for continued research and development in the field to enhance the performance of language technology applications. In the realm of online content creation, it is of utmost importance to consider the specific preferences and interests of the intended audience. To accomplish this, conducting extensive research and closely monitoring the latest digital trends is necessary. Furthermore, the content must be informative, engaging, and visually

captivating to attract visitors. In today's world, web content has become one of the most essential resources for individuals searching for information and knowledge online. However, when multiple authors are involved in creating such content, there is a risk of errors, such as grammatical and typographical mistakes, which can adversely affect the professionalism of the text. To ensure that web content remains high quality, authors must take extra care to avoid such errors. By doing so, they can provide users with accurate and reliable information that meets their needs and expectations.

It is imperative to incorporate sublanguages in language analysis, as they play a crucial role in understanding the intricacies of a language. However, there has been controversy regarding the selection of sublanguages to be included. Despite this, it is widely acknowledged that the inclusion of sublanguages necessary achieve comprehensive understanding of a language. Developing a corpus involves a great deal of responsibility, ensuring the contents are appropriate and comprehensive (Kilgarriff, Adam; Grefenstette, Gregory, 2003). The individuals responsible for this development should practically approach the task and consider the corpus's purpose. When creating a corpus for general language use, following the example set by the British National Corpus is highly beneficial and has been widely regarded as a successful model (Atkins, Sue; Clear, Jeremy; Ostler, Nicholas, 1992). The primary goal of corpus development is to produce a representative and balanced corpus that accurately reflects the studied language. A thorough evaluation of multiple factors is imperative, for instance, the sources from which the

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corpus is compiled, the size of the canon, and the selection criteria used. Ultimately, a corpus's success depends on its contents' accuracy and relevance, which must be thoroughly vetted and curated by the corpus developers. For linguists, Google is often the go-to search engine for accessing linguistic resources. However, this platform poses distinct challenges that must be navigated to obtain accurate and relevant results. One of the primary issues with Google's search engine is that it provides a limited number of instances, typically capping out at either 1,000 or 5,000. Additionally, the context of each model needs to be closely scrutinized, as Google only displays a brief fragment of approximately ten words. This can lead to misleading results, as titles and headings may occupy top positions regardless of their linguistic relevance. Another obstacle with using Google for linguistic research is the lack of search options that cater to linguistic criteria such as citation form or word class. This can make it difficult for linguists to narrow their search results to only what is relevant to their research. Furthermore, the dependability of the statistics may also be called into question, as search results can vary depending on engine load and other factors. Given stakeholders' divergent priorities, linguists must proactively address these issues when researching Google. By doing so, they can more effectively leverage the vast potential of linguistic resources on the internet and achieve more accurate and meaningful results.

7 CONCLUSIONS

As we progress into the future, our reliance on computer and internet systems for communication is becoming increasingly significant. This trend indicates transformative impact of technological

advancements on our daily lives. Individuals must adapt their language and communication styles accordingly. With the ever-evolving and tech-savvy world, keeping up with the latest trends and techniques is essential to convey our messages effectively. Whether through email, instant messaging, or social media, communicating clearly and concisely through these digital channels is becoming necessary for success in today's society. Therefore, it is imperative that we embrace these changes and continually refine our communication skills to stay ahead of the curve.

As the global population of Internet users continues to expand, the diversity of cultural backgrounds, linguistic habits, and language differences are being rapidly reflected on the web. These individual differences are expected to significantly impact the future of web linguistics, particularly regarding the multilingual web aspect. Between 2000 and 2010, there was a remarkable increase in Internet usage in non-English speaking countries such as China, India, and various African nations (Internet World Stats, 2010), which has led to the penetration of more languages apart from English into the web. As we move forward, this trend will likely continue, and the importance of multilingualism on the web will continue to grow.

As the world becomes more connected and globalized, the way in which languages interact with each other is becoming an increasingly important area of study. In particular, how English influences and is influenced by other languages is a topic of interest for researchers and linguists alike (lvkovic, D., & Lotherington, H., 2009). This has led to the development of new Internet stylistics that span

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multiple languages, with Chinese and Korean already experiencing the infiltration of English into their online language use. The resulting multilingual Internet lingo is a fascinating area of study that sheds light on the complex ways in which languages and cultures interact in the digital age (Butterfield, Jessica; et al, 2009).

The internet has emerged as a crucial asset in the modern world, particularly for advocating and safeguarding the languages of marginalized communities. While this development is undoubtedly a positive one, it has its challenges. One such challenge is the potential for cross-language interactions to lead to the dilution of minority languages. For instance, the prevalence of more widely spoken languages like English and Spanish can inadvertently infiltrate and influence the authenticity of minority languages. This highlights the need for careful consideration and efforts to maintain the integrity of these languages in online spaces (Cunliffe, Daniel; Herring, Susan C, 2005). It is not uncommon for users to opt for understanding minority languages in majority languages, which can, unfortunately, result in a loss of potential speakers for the minority language. This poses a challenge for those committed to preserving endangered minority languages in the face of the internet. While encouraging minority language speakers to learn more common languages for web access may seem viable, it could lead to a decline in language usage (Martín, Santiago, et al, 2010). Thus, the future of endangered minority languages in the interpretation of the internet is a subject that warrants further observation and consideration (Crystal, David, 2003)

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