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Evaluation of Finite State Morphological Analyzers Based on Paradigm Extraction from Wiktionary

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- Wiktionary: morphological inflection tables for many languages

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- Wiktionary Morphological Database: 350 languages

Motivation of the Study

- Forsberg and Hulden (2016): a method to convert morphological inflection tables into unweighted and weighted finite transducers for parsing and generation
  - Evaluated on German, Spanish, Finnish

Language		Lemma	L+MSD	MSD
German	nouns	77.06	69.44	79.50
	verbs	90.02	89.76	92.78
Spanish	verbs	96.92	96.92	97.43
Finnish	nounadj	70.29	69.68	91.59
	verbs	90.44	90.44	98.02

Evaluation of the weighted model (Forsberg and Hulden, 2016)

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Workflow of the Morphological Analyzer

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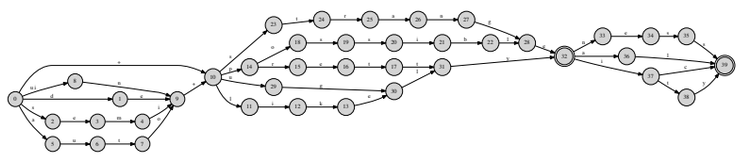

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WIKTIONARY
the free dictionary

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→

"paradigm"

$x_1 + i + x_2$
$x_1 + a + x_2$
$x_1 + u + x_2$
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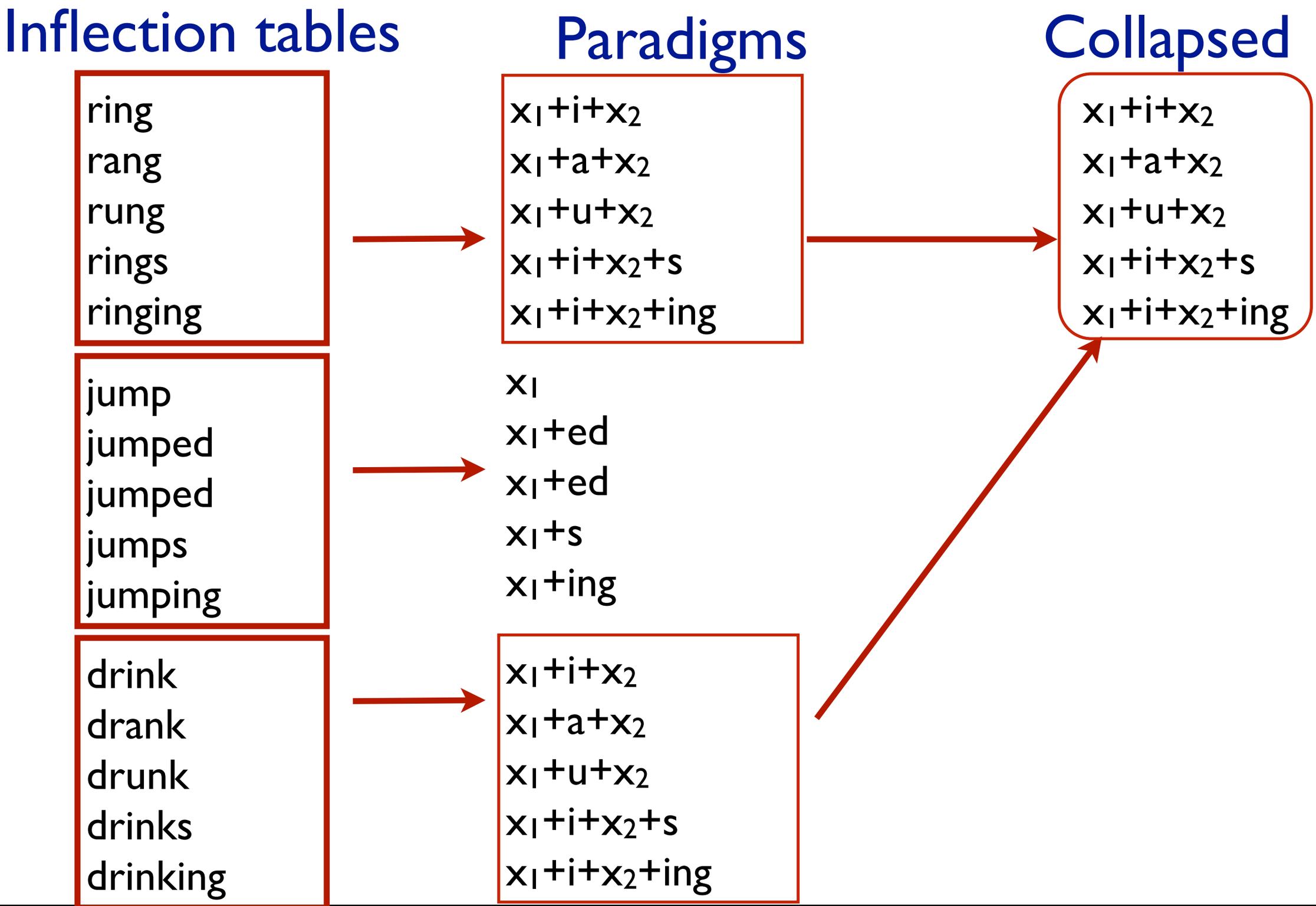

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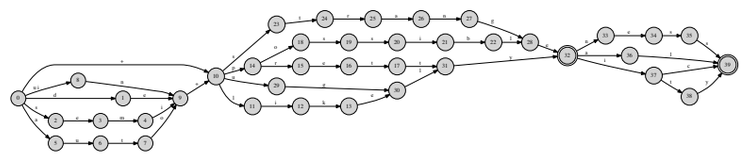

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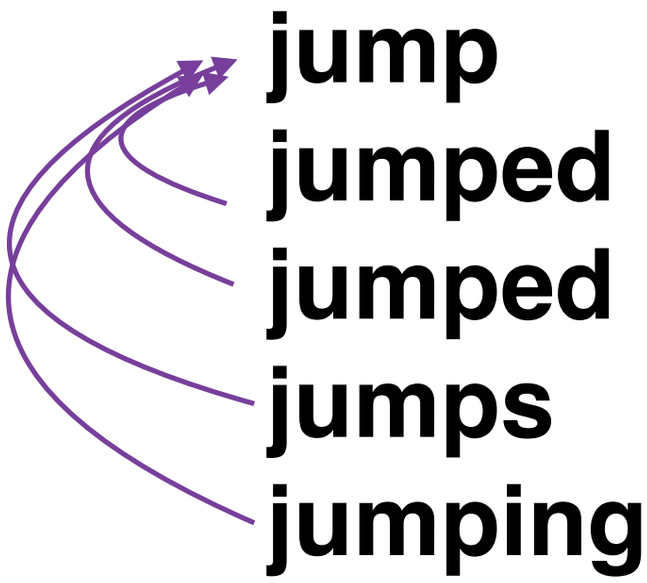

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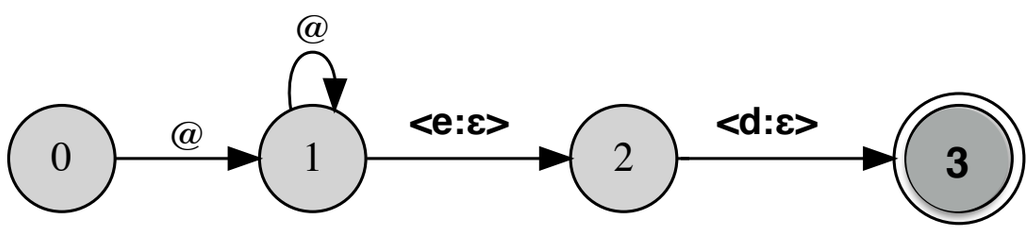

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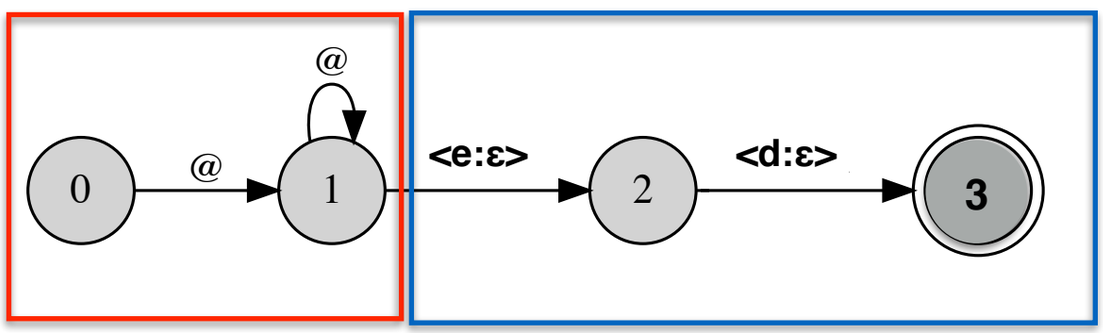

x1 ***ed:ε***

From paradigm to FST

Add inflection information

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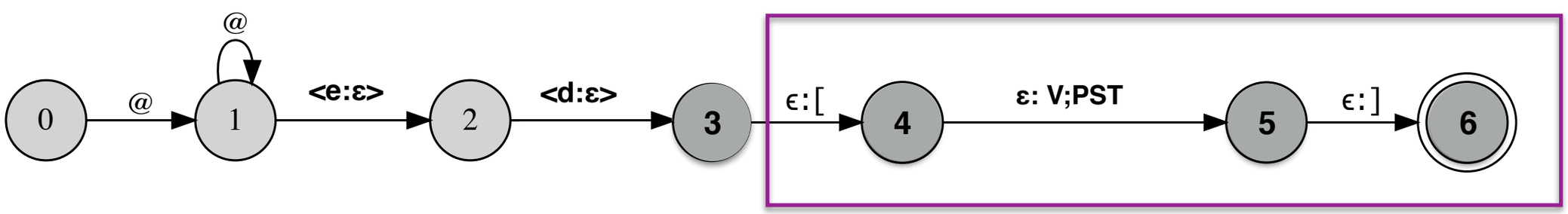

jumped > jump[V;PST]

From paradigm to FST

More lemmatization and analysis example

rely	$x_1 + y$	**infinitive**
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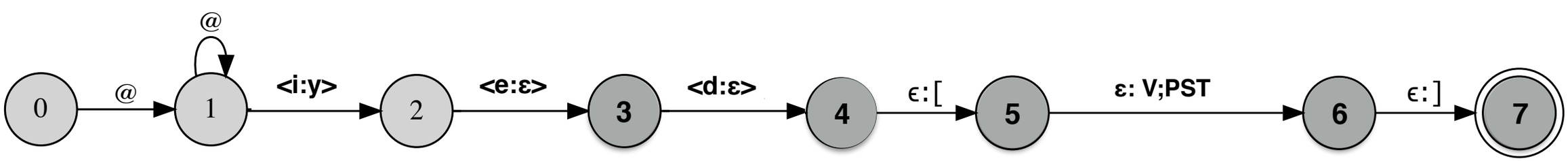

relied > rely[V;PST]

Building the analyzer

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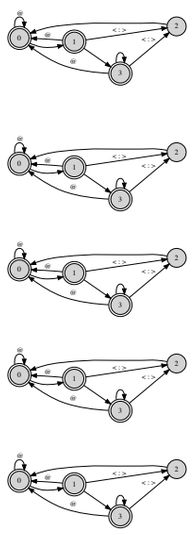

analyzers

Paradigm

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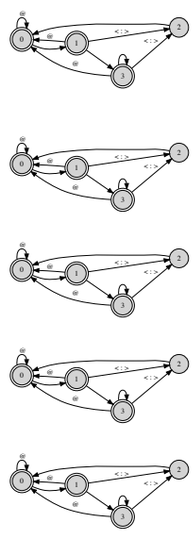

analyzers

m transducers

Analyzer = $f_1 \cup f_2 \cup \ldots \cup f_1 \cup \ldots \cup f_m$

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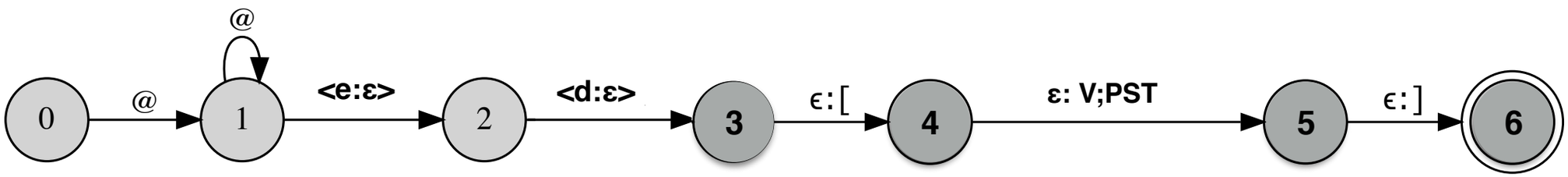

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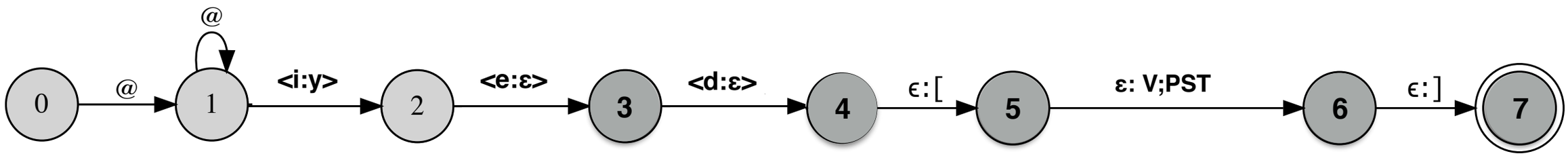

relied > rely[V;PST]

verified

verify[V;PST]
verifi[V;PST]
…

tried

try[V;PST]
tri[V;PST]
…

died

dy[V;PST]
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die[V;PST]
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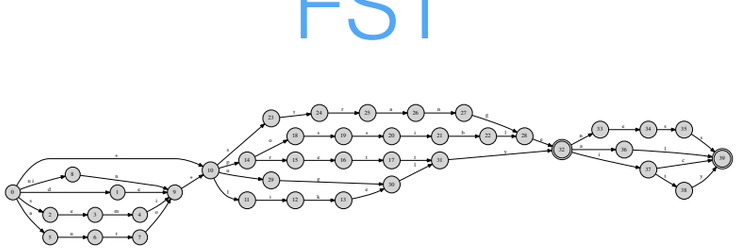

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jump
watch
look
listen
work
ask
…

Infer a language model!

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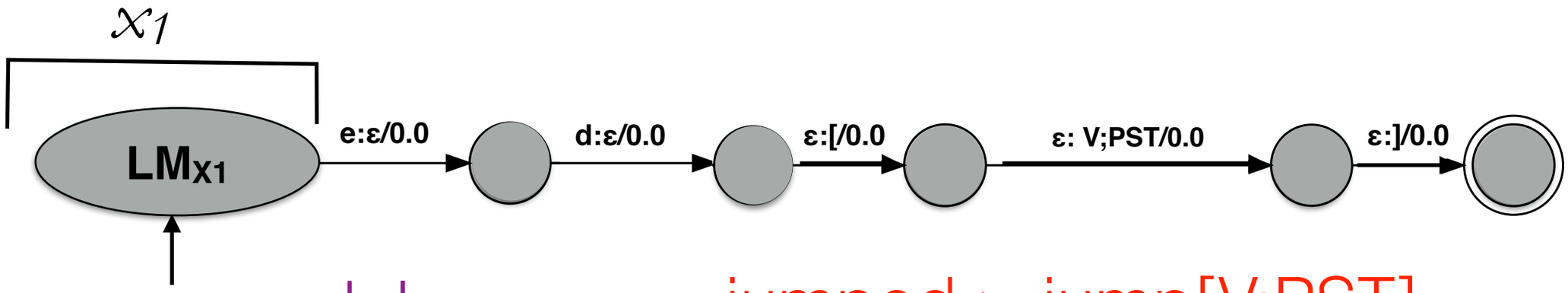

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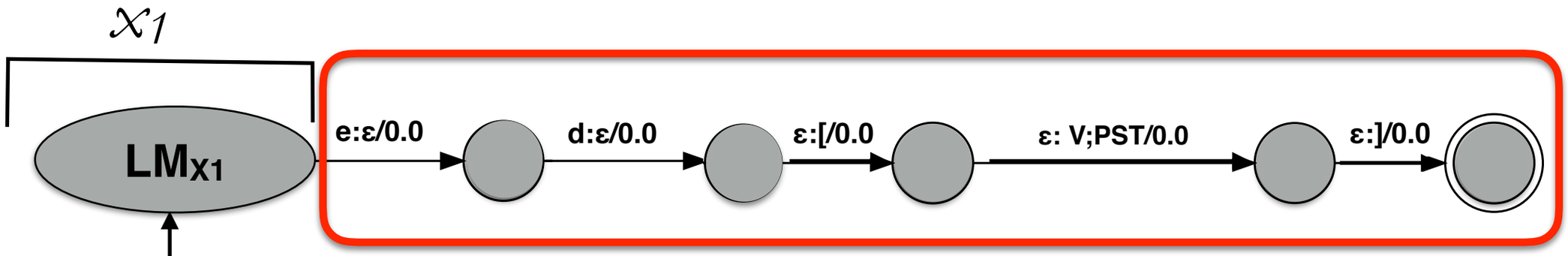

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- UniMorph project (https://unimorph.github.io/index.html)

- 55 Languages

- 19 Language groups

- 10 scripts

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Result

- Paradigms are extracted successfully for all languages.
- **Lemmatization recall:**
  - Low end: 0% (Basque)
  - High end: 97.5% (Hindi)
- **Lemma-POS recall:**
  - Low end: 0% (Basque)
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- **Lemma-tag recall:**
  - Low end: 0% (Basque)
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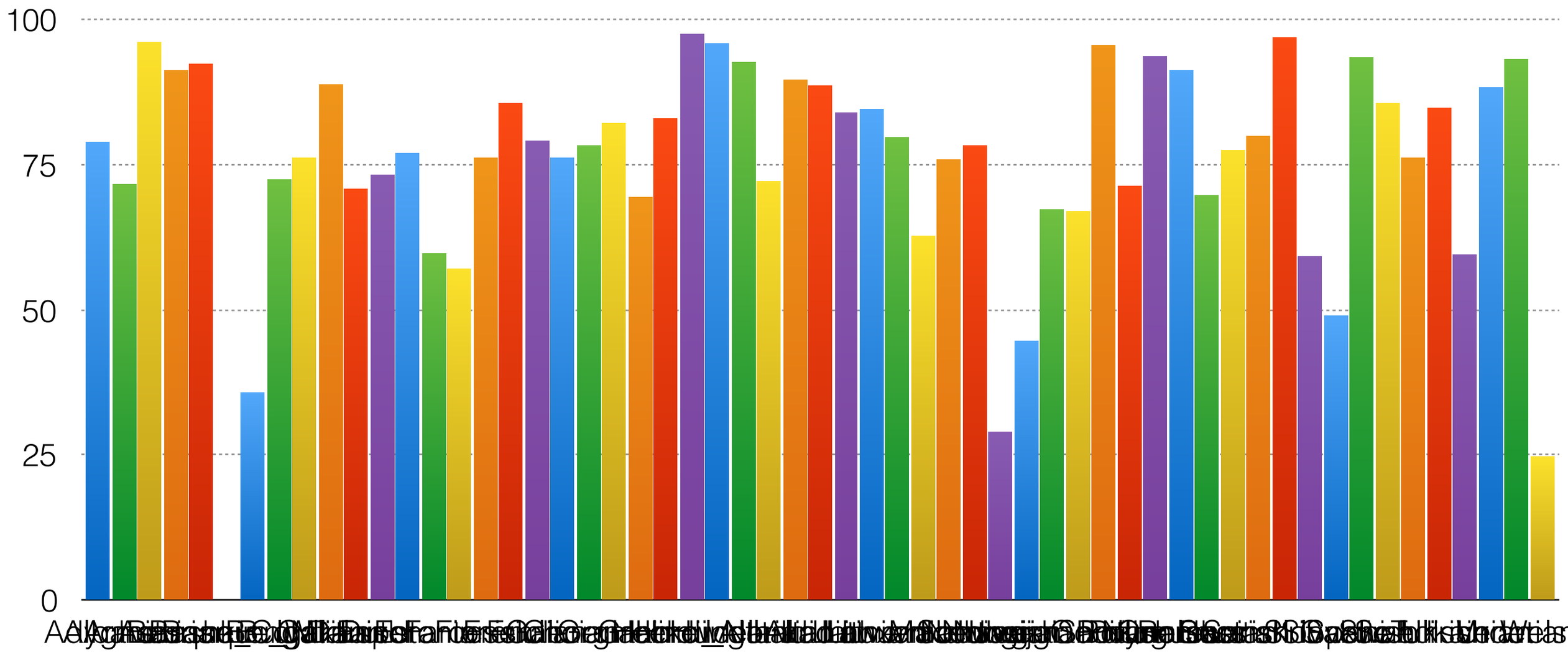

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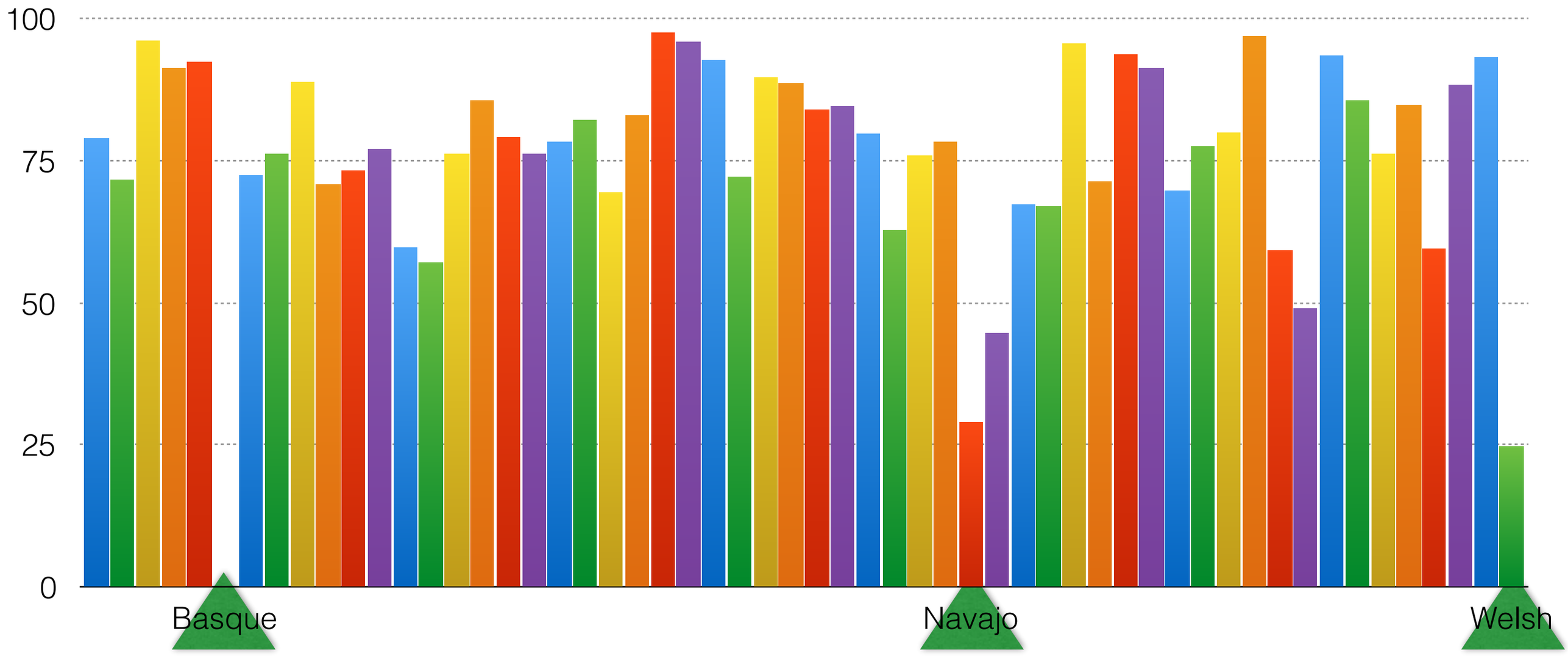

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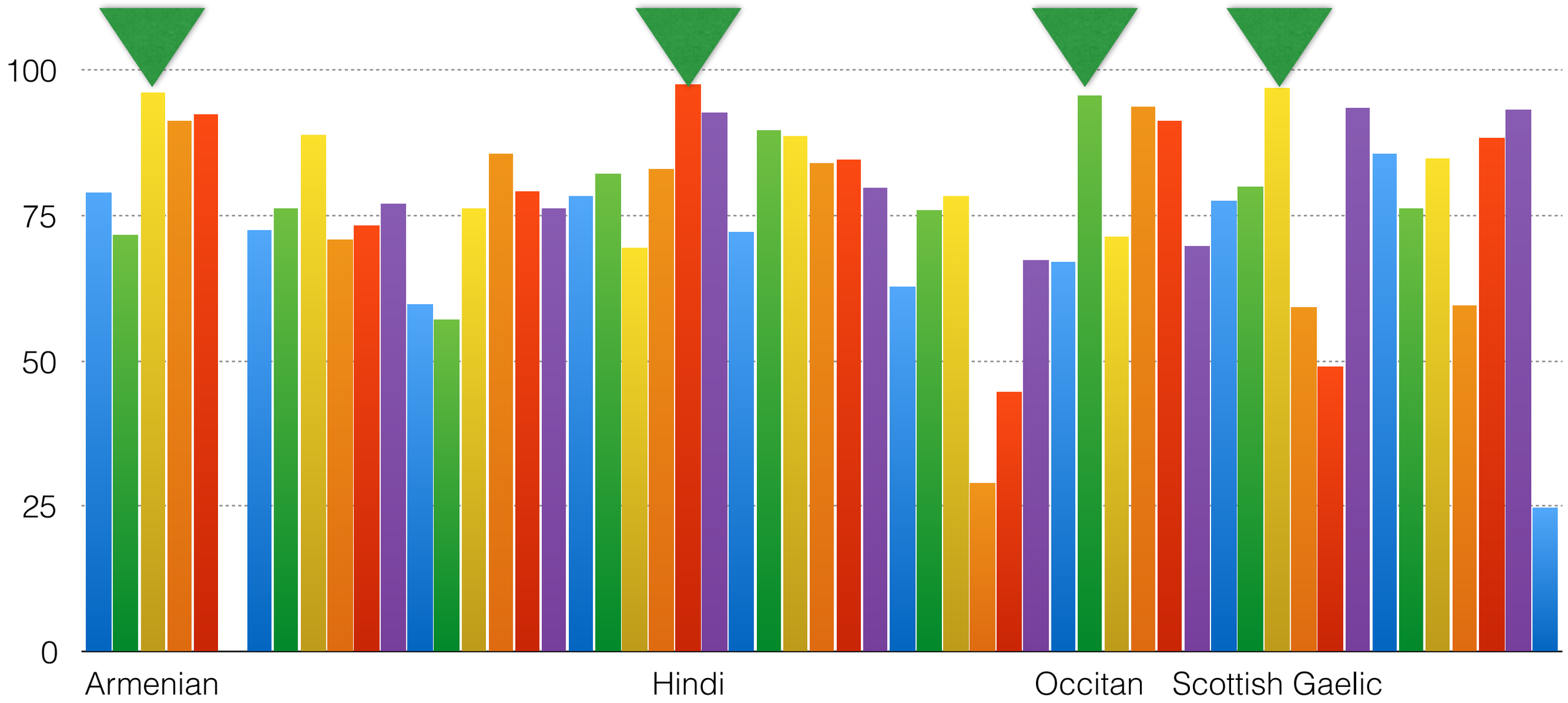

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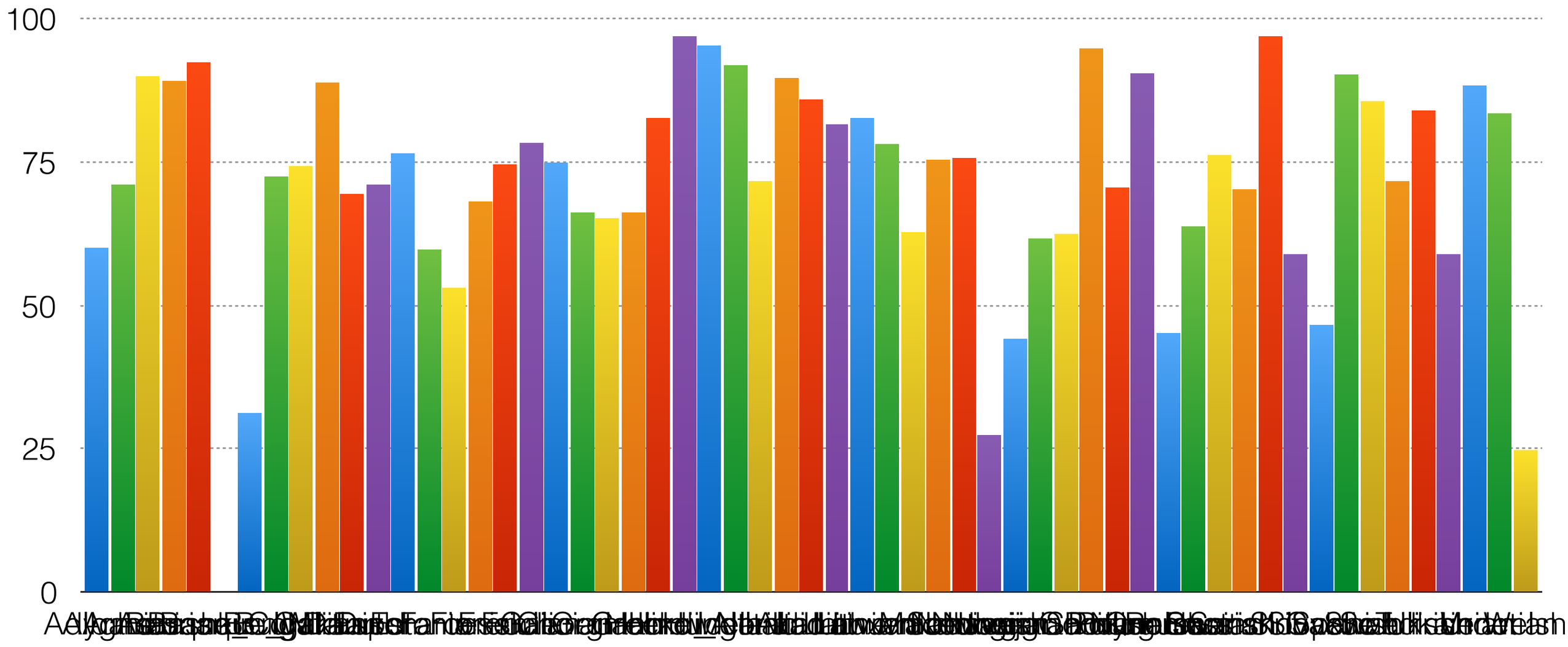

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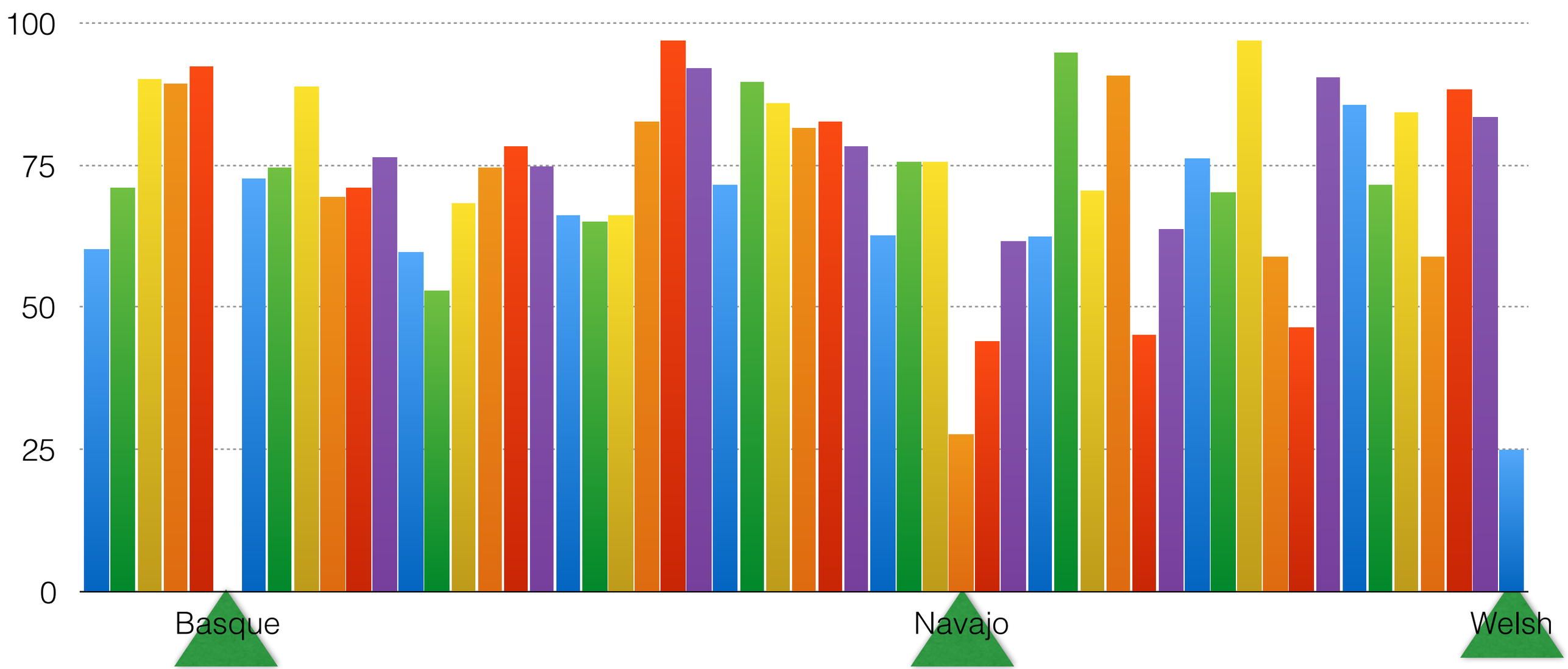

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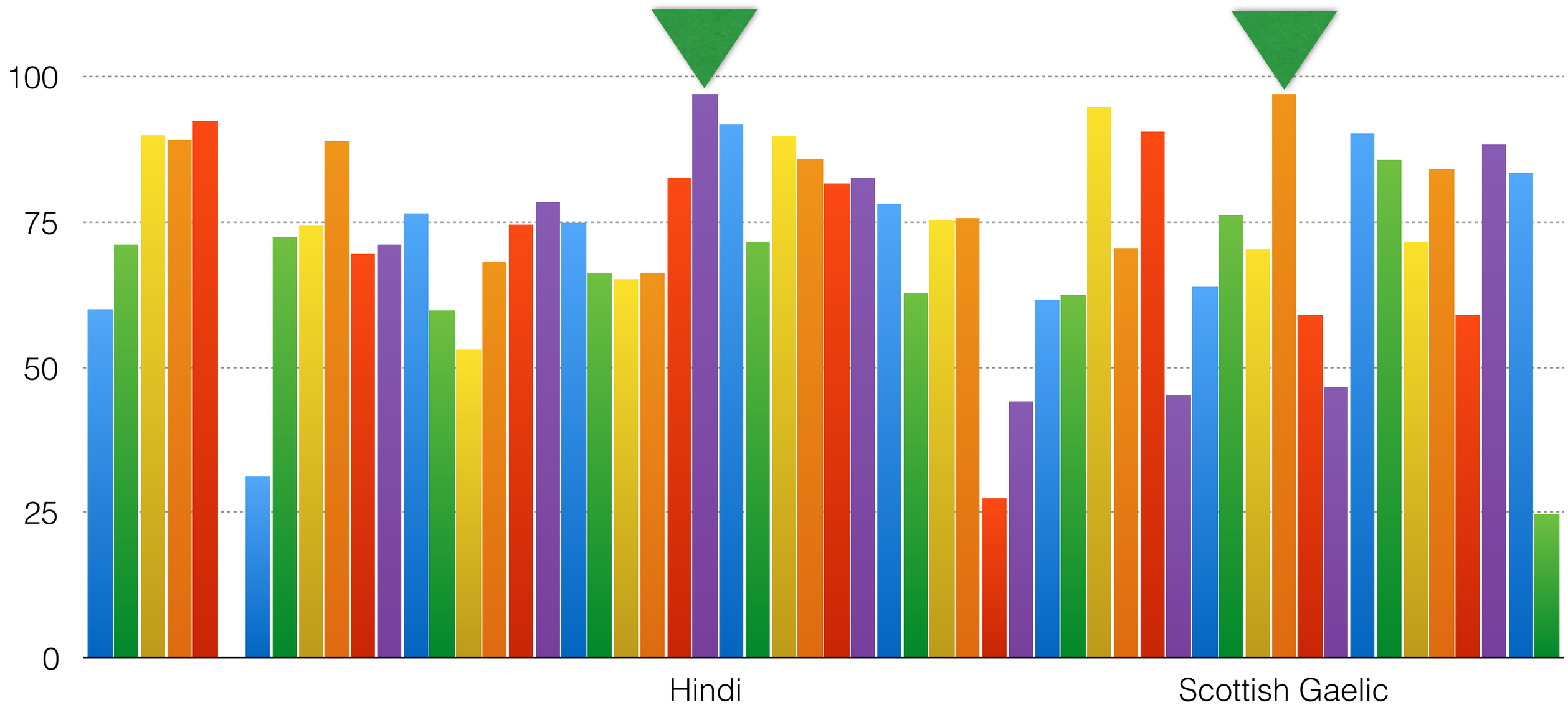

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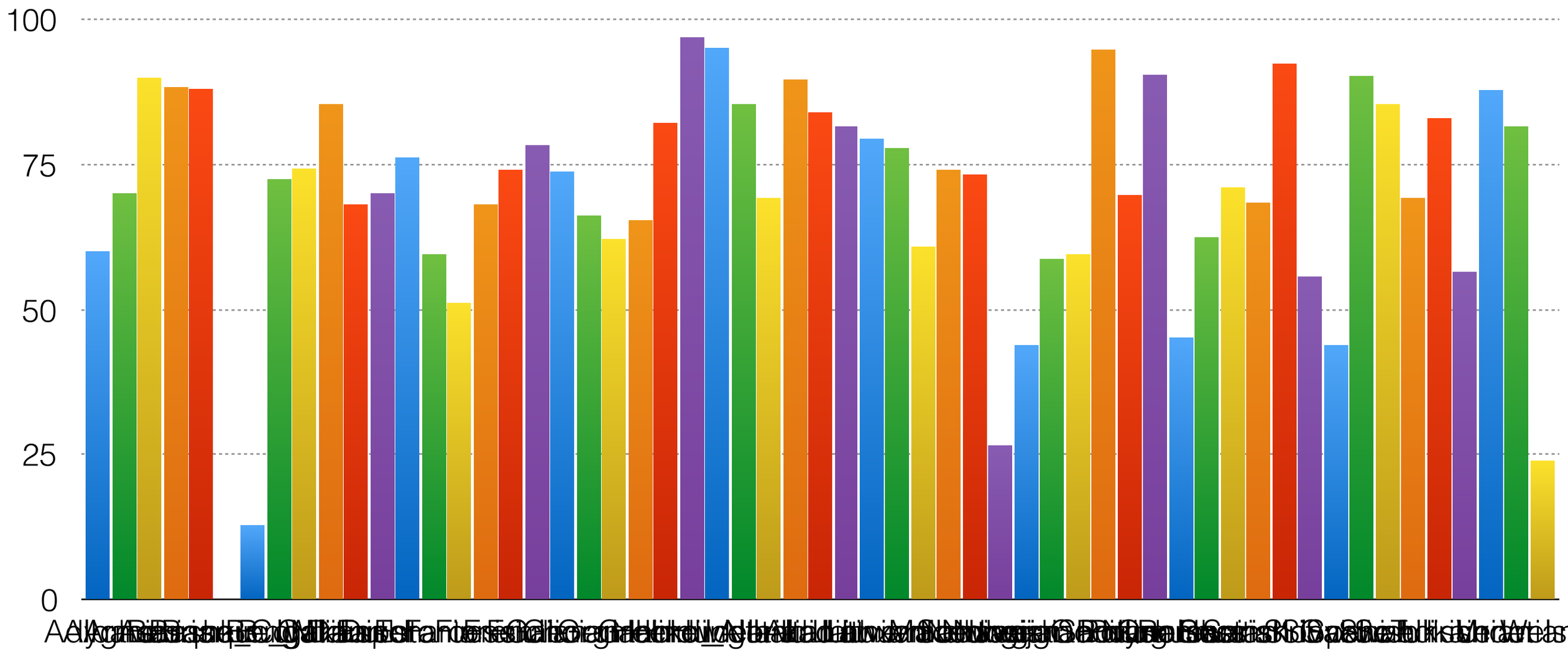

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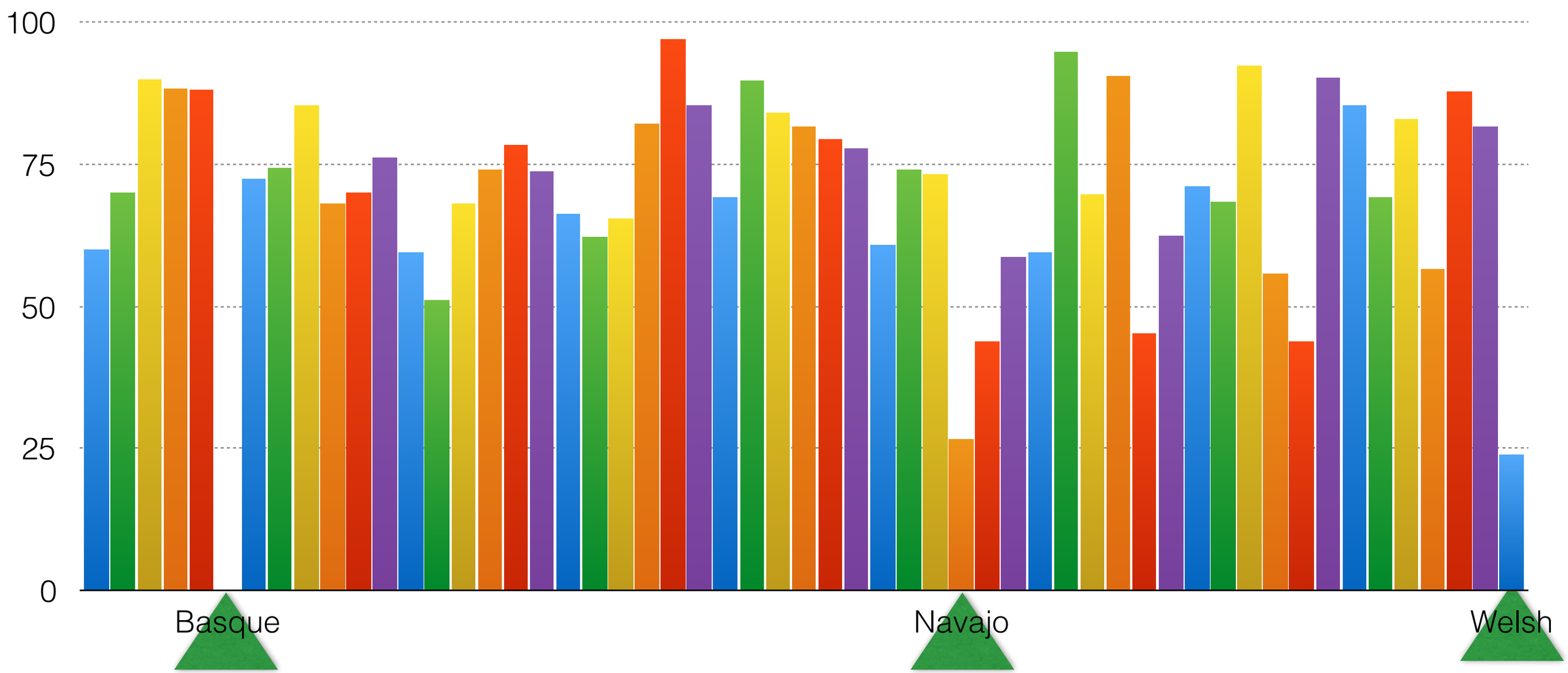

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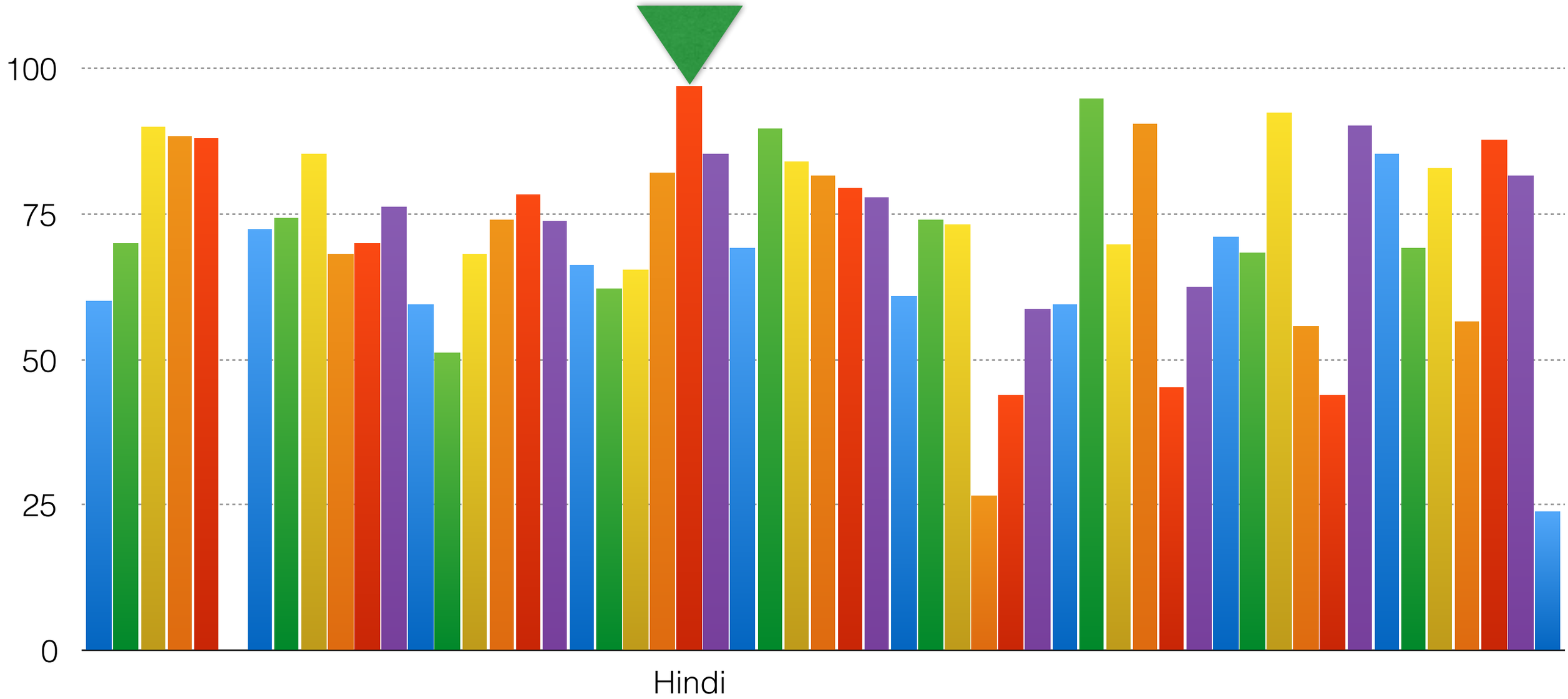

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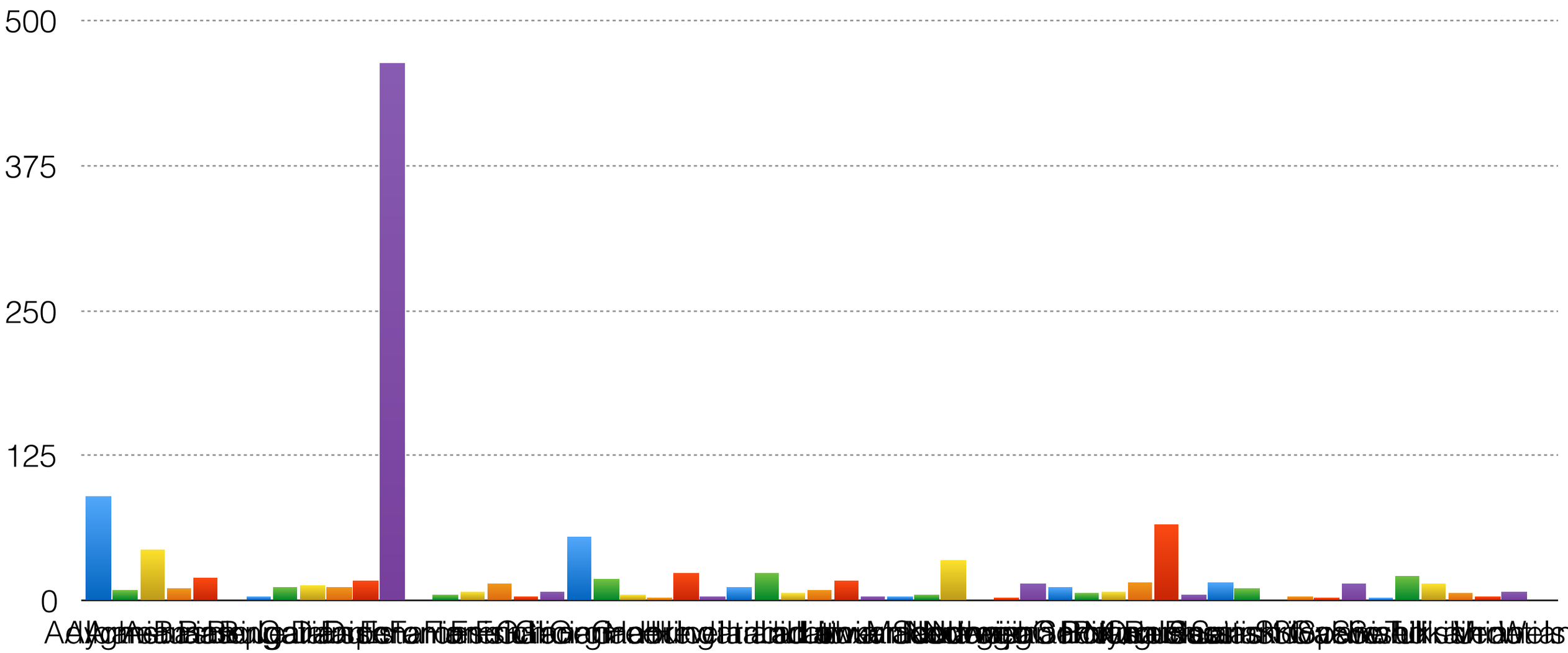

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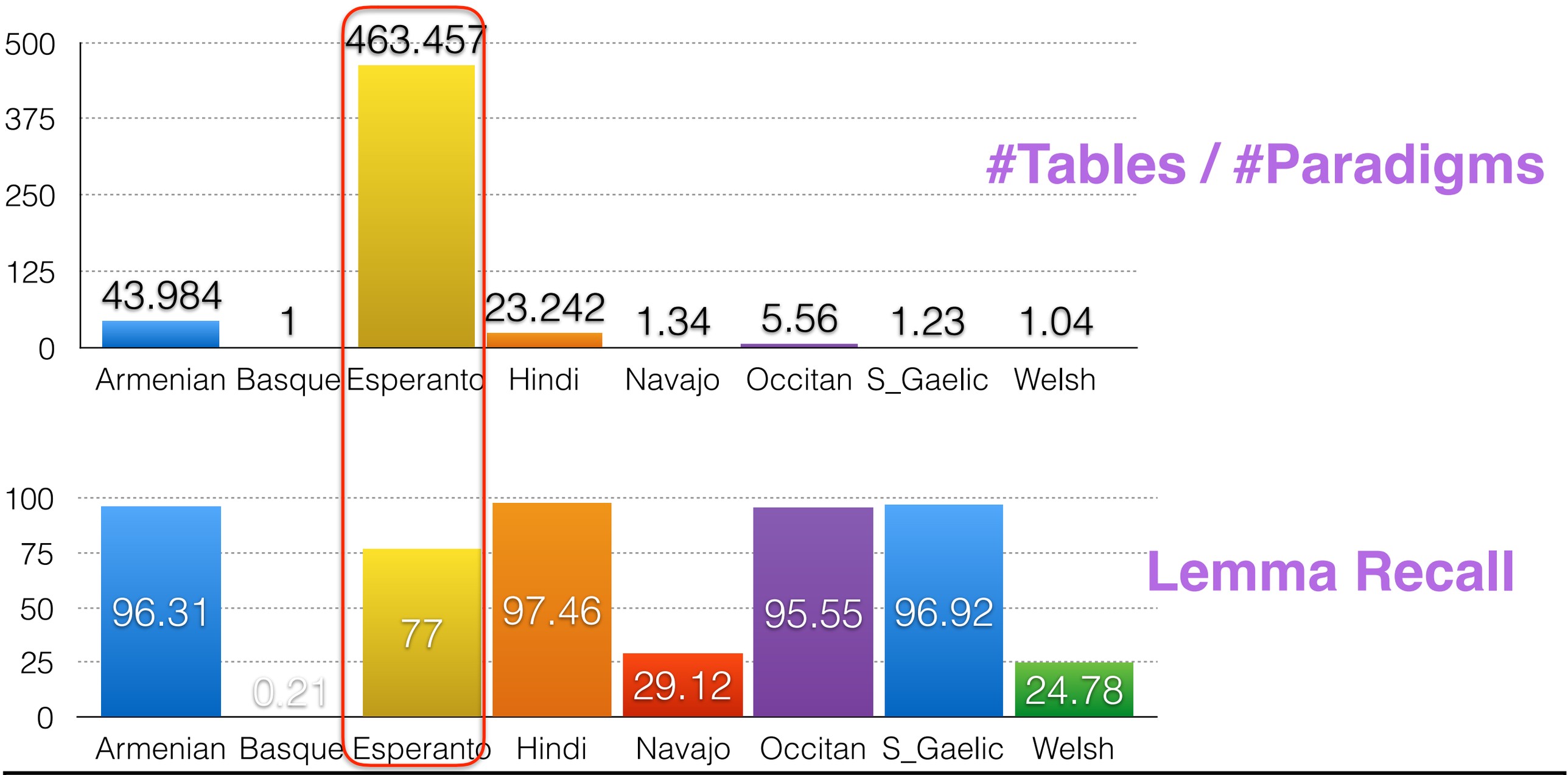

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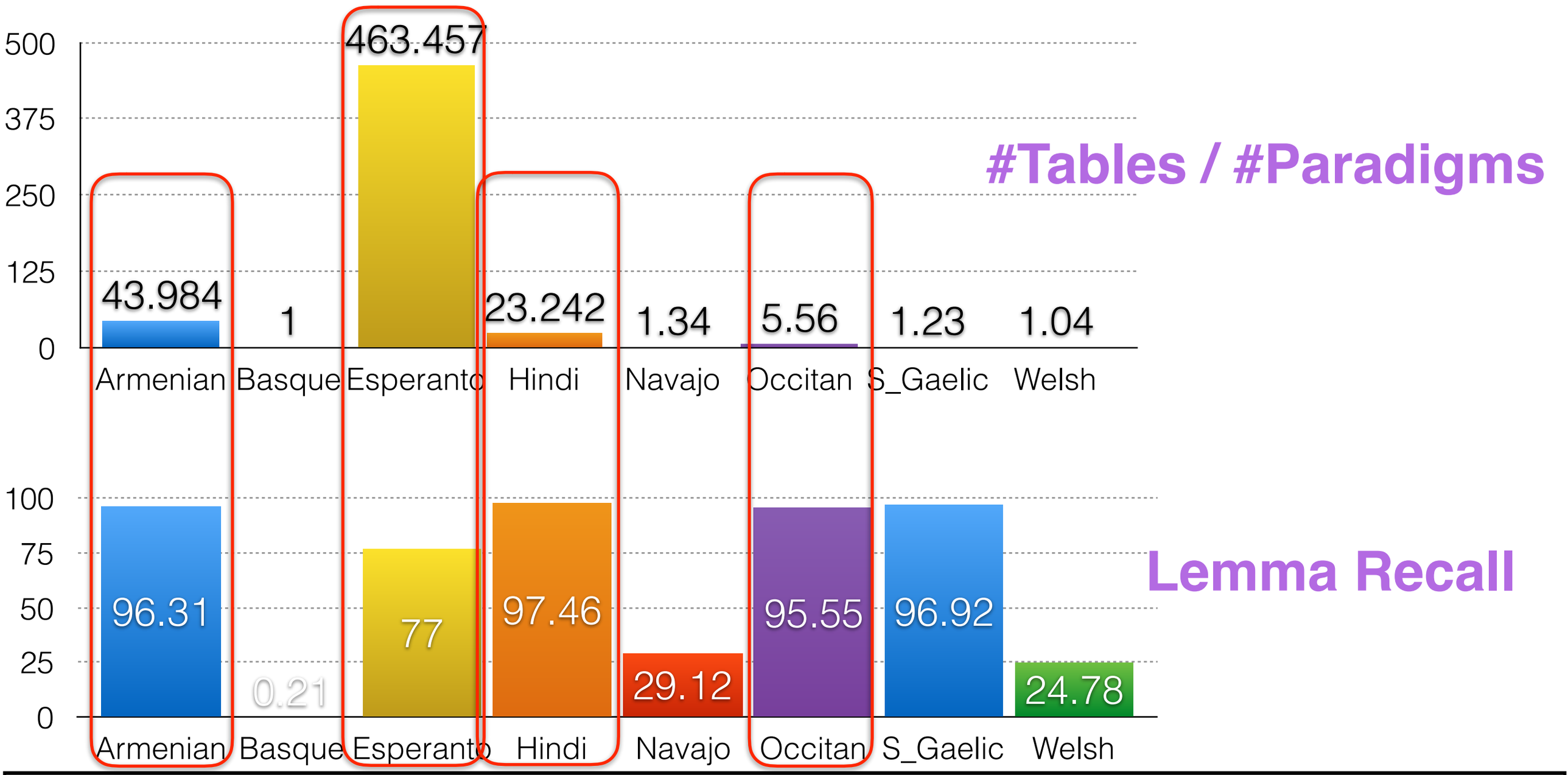

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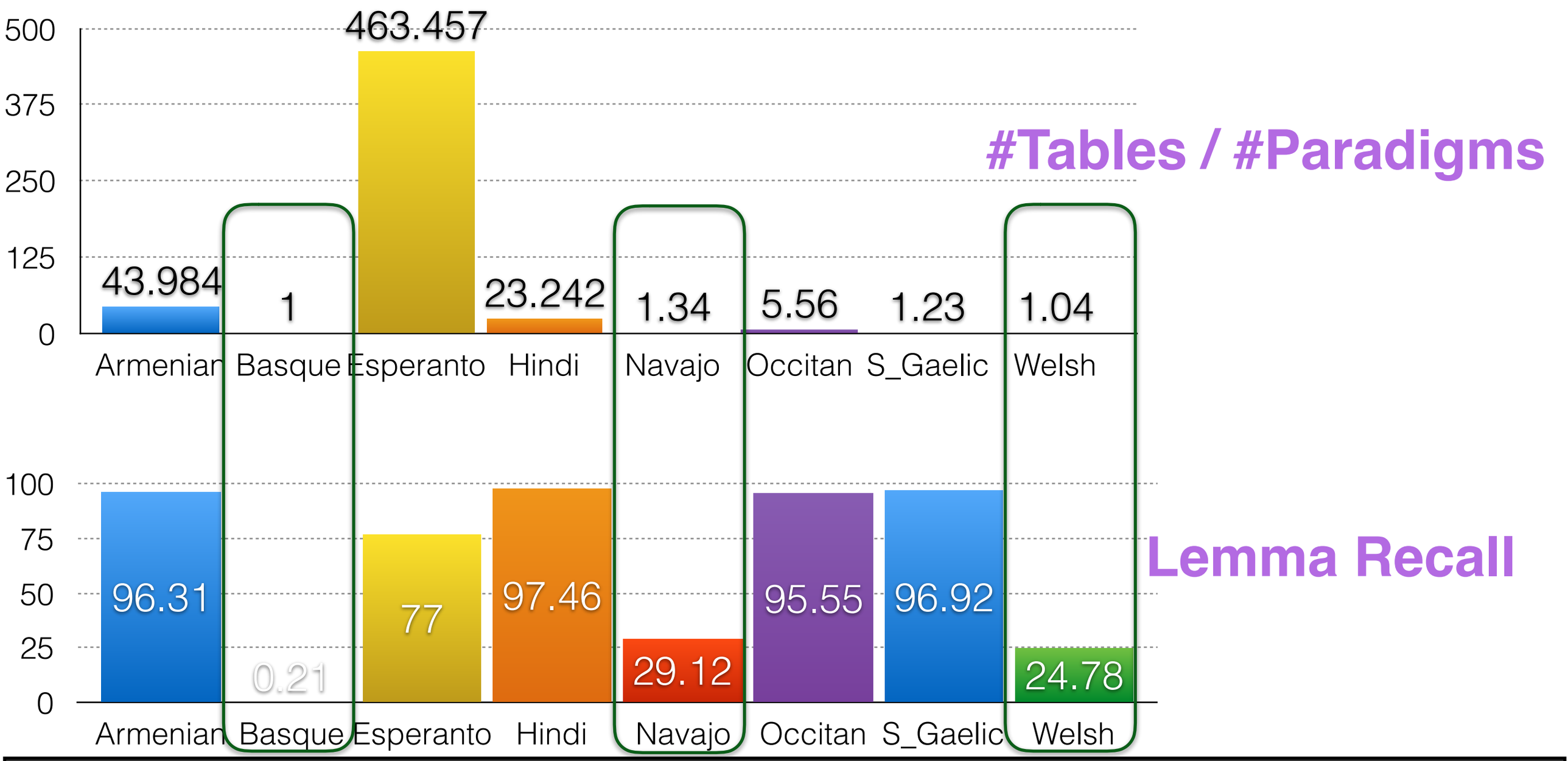

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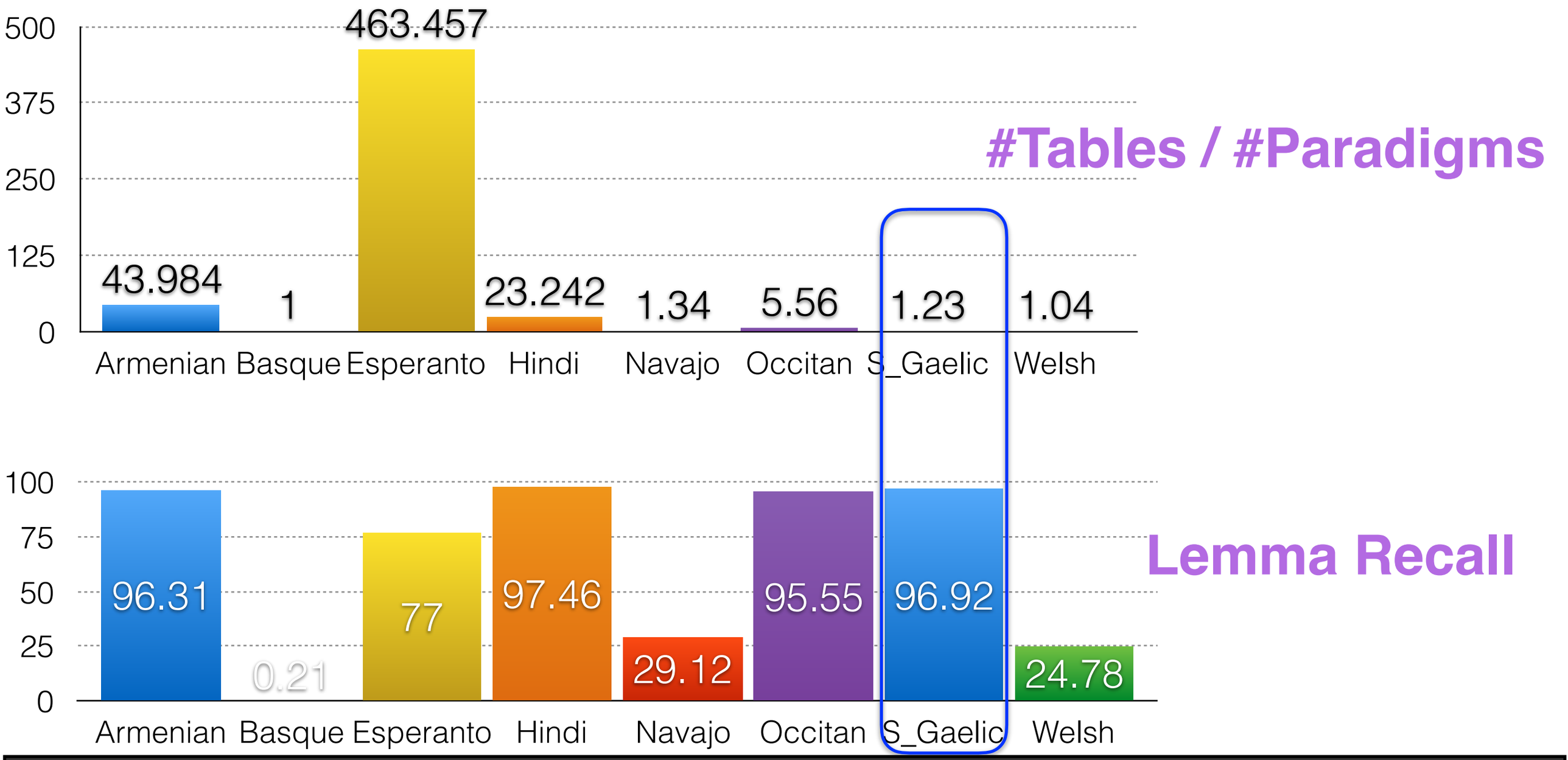

Wrap-up

- Simple method to construct weighted FST from labeled data
- Robust performance for inflectional morphology
- Large representative data is critical for the performance.

Thank You