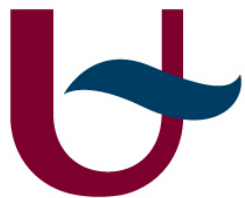




**Using keystroke logging in your research
... and in your classroom**

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Inputlog

- Windows (additional logging in MS Word)
- Writing modes
 - keyboard and mouse movements & clicks
 - speech: Dragon Naturally Speaking
 - focus: window monitoring (resources)
- Analyses
- Graphs
- Pre and post processing
- Play-back

Leijten, M., & Van Waes, L. (2013)

The logo for Inputlog, featuring the word "inputlog" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The letter "i" is lowercase and has a red dot above it. The rest of the letters are in a dark blue color.

Free download for researchers

A screenshot of the Inputlog website. The background is a blurred image of hands typing on a keyboard. Overlaid on this is a dark grey rectangular box containing the following text:

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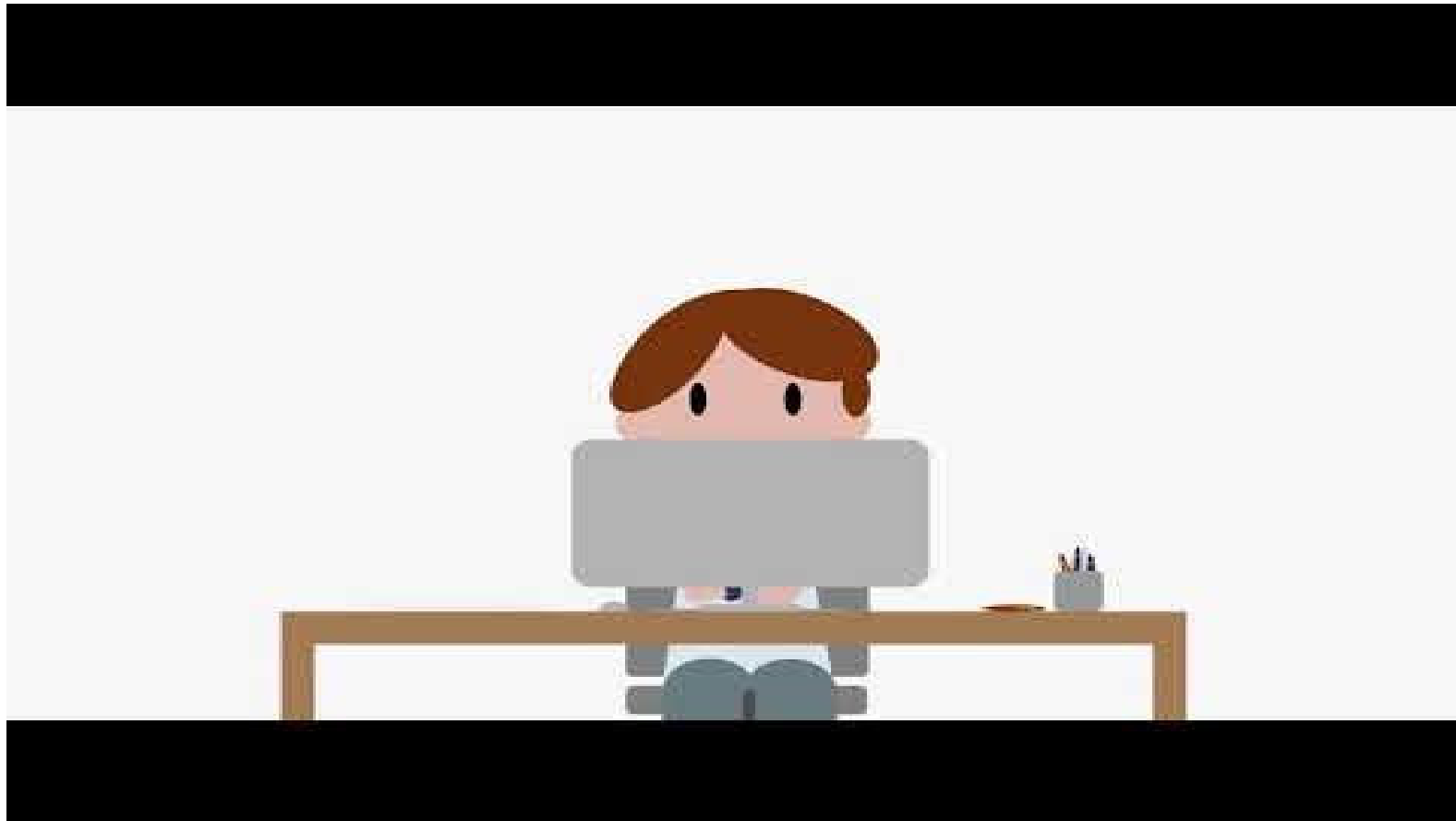
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Writing process research

Process observation provides data for research on:

- cognitive writing processes
- writing strategies
- writing development
- translation studies
- L1 versus L2 writing
- writing from sources
- live subtitling
- clinical diagnosis (e.g. dyslexia, dementia, aphasia)
- literary writers
- etc.

KSL with Inputlog: an introduction



General analysis

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										4259	
0	focus	Wordlog.docx - Microsoft Word								7941	
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4	keyboard	e	1			2			2	172	
12	keyboard	t	9	10	10	9984	00:00:09	10140	00:00:10	156	93
13	keyboard	i	10	11	11	10078	00:00:10	10265	00:00:10	187	94
14	keyboard	o	11	12	12	10125	00:00:10	10296	00:00:10	171	47
15	keyboard	n	12	13	13	10234	00:00:10	10421	00:00:10	187	109
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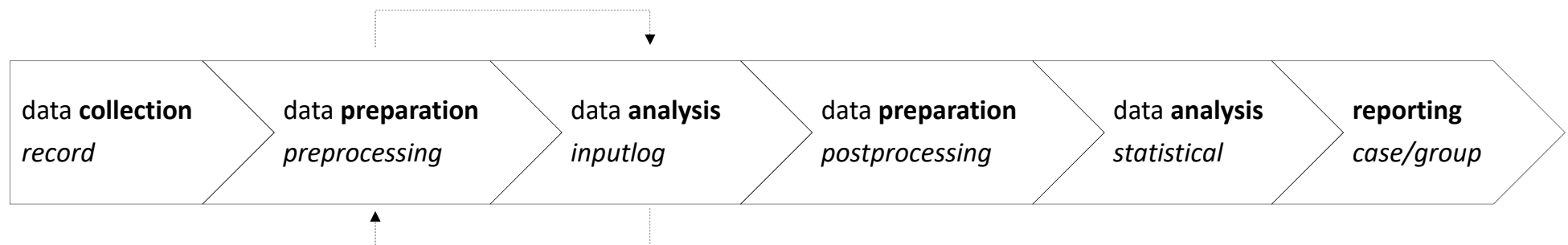
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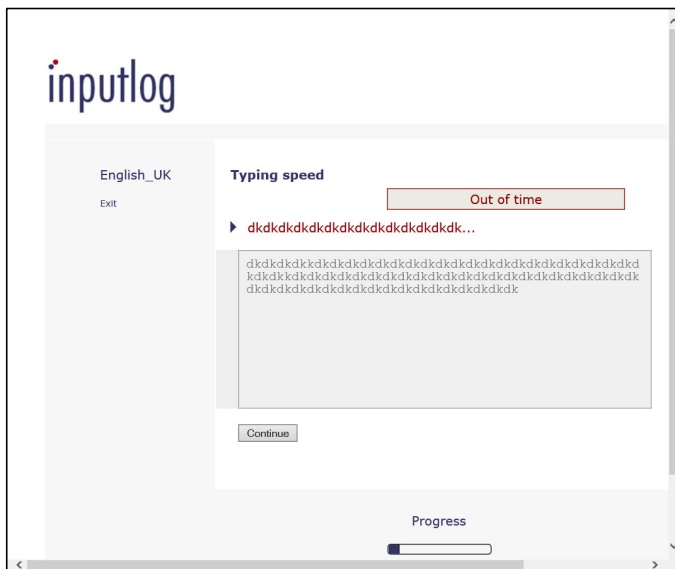
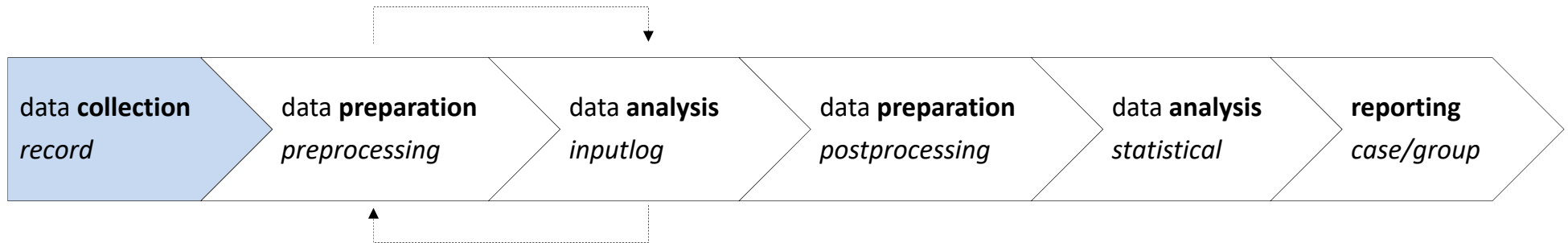


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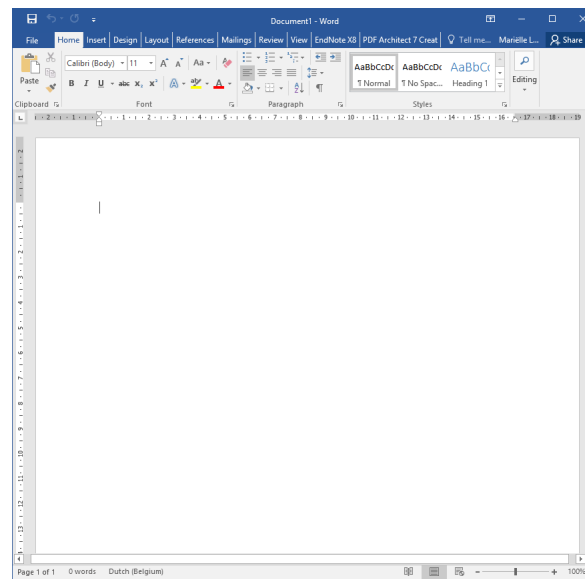
Designing keystroke logging research

The Research Flow

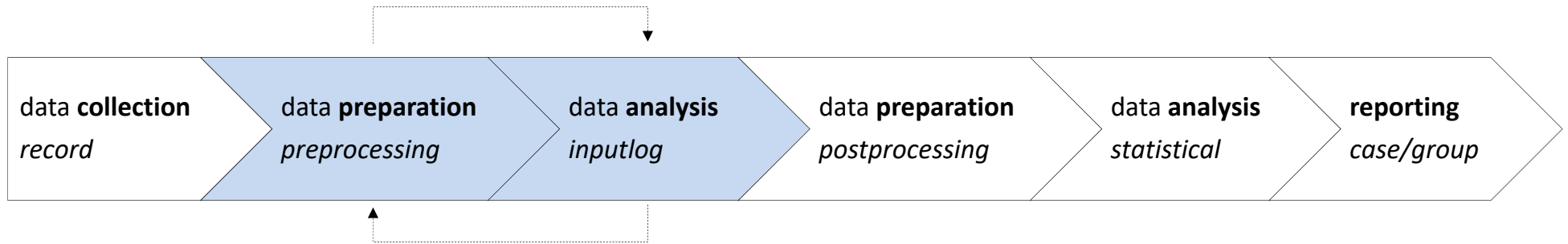




Copy task



New, previous or other document

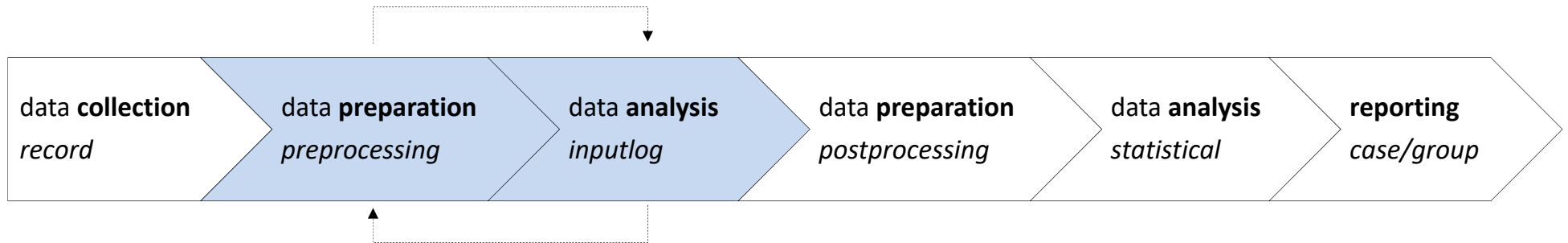


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2	mouse	Scroll
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4	mouse	Scroll
5	mouse	Movement
6	mouse	LEFT Click
7	focus	TASKBAR
8	mouse	Movement
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10	focus	WordLog_Nicky Petersen_20160308153728.docx - Microsoft Word
11	mouse	Movement

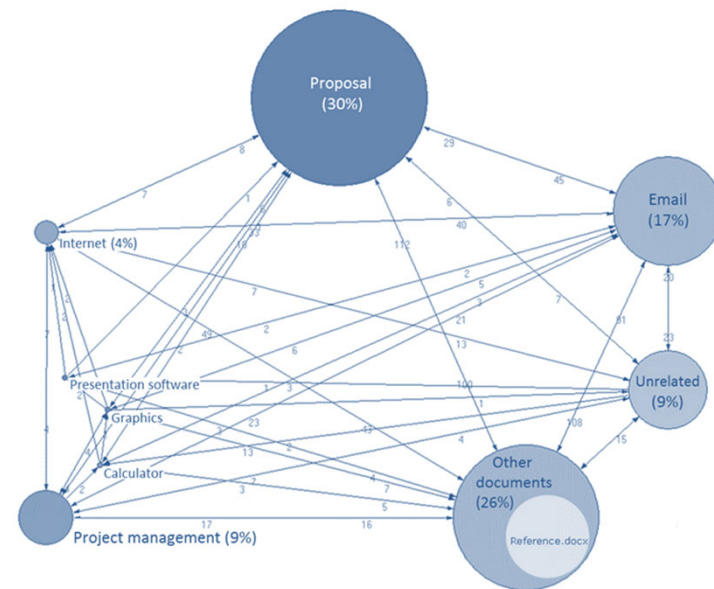
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Data cleaning

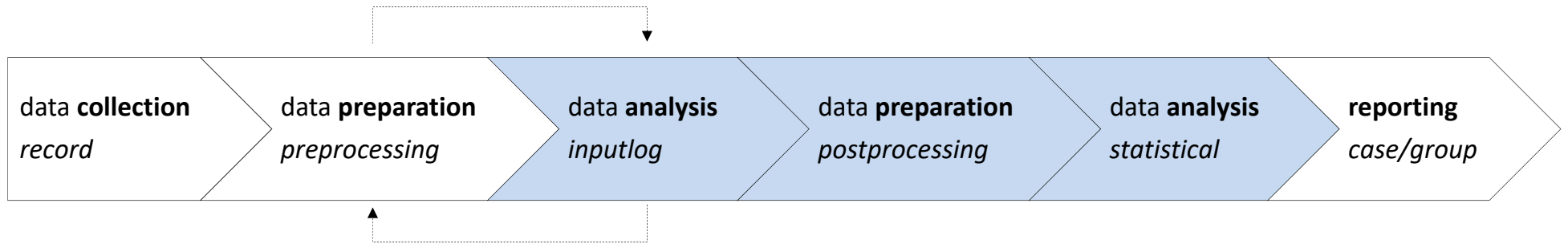
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558	focus	Google - Google Chrome
823	focus	Google - Google Chrome
824	focus	berlin museum modern art - Google Search - Google Chrome
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Data categorisation



Basic analyses

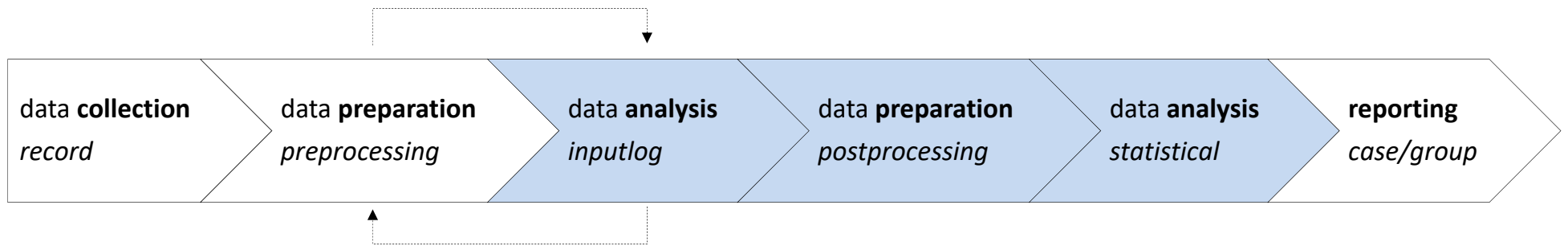
- general
- linear
- summary
- pause
- revision
- s-notatation

Specific analyses

- source
- fluency
- bigram
- word pause
- linguistic
- token
- copy task

Visual analyses

- process graph
- source network
- fluency graph



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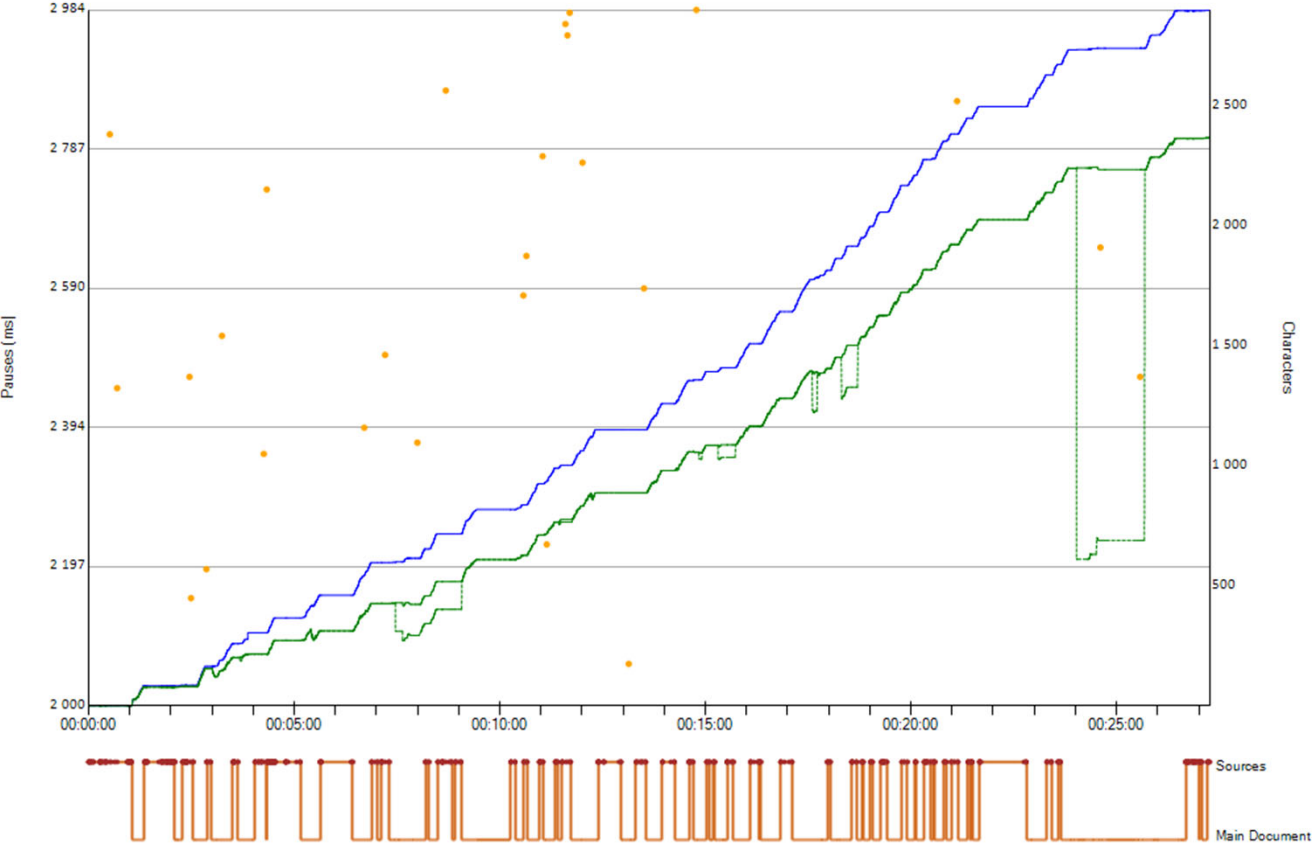
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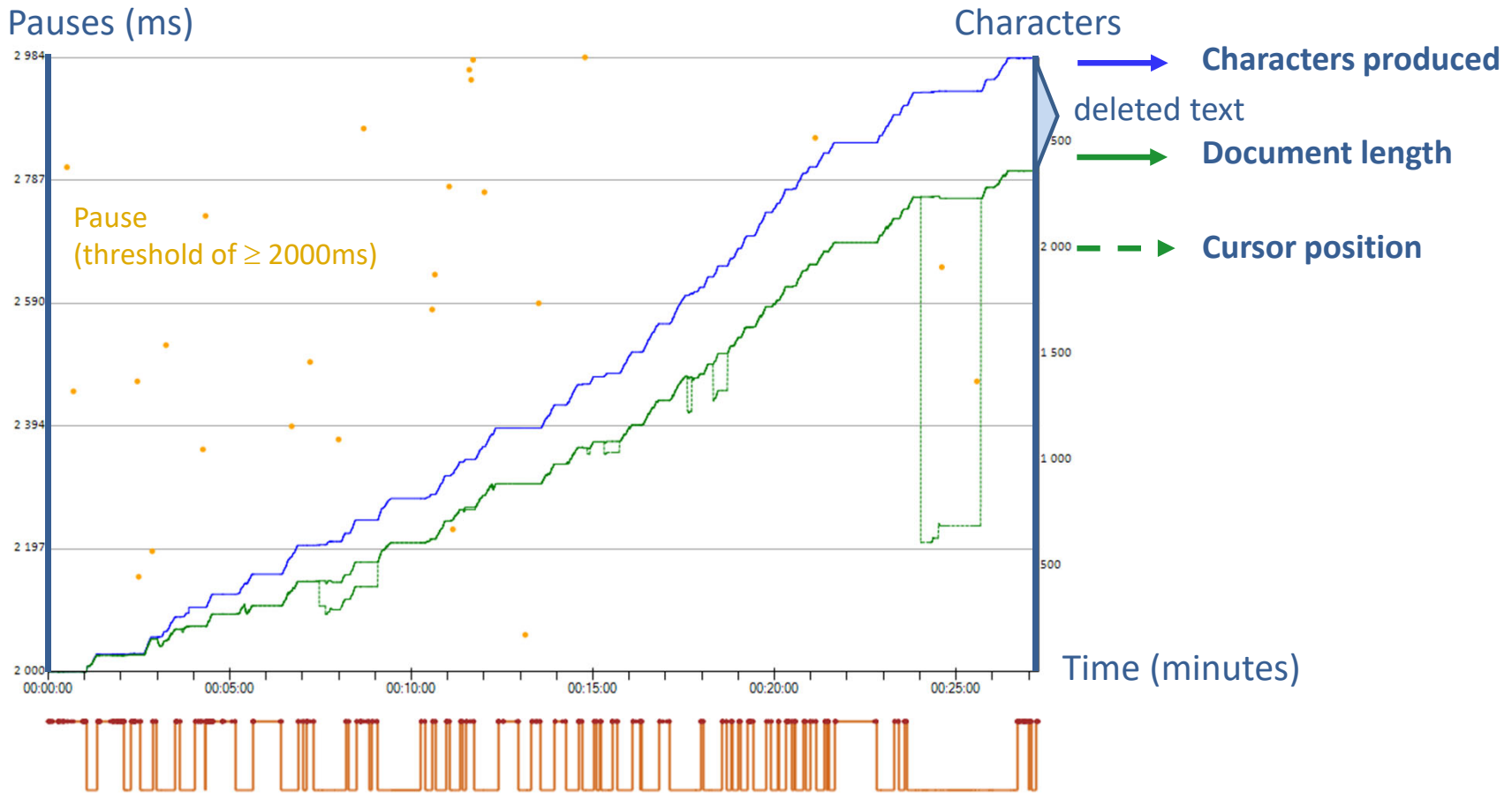
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Visual analyses

- **process graph**
- source network
- fluency graph

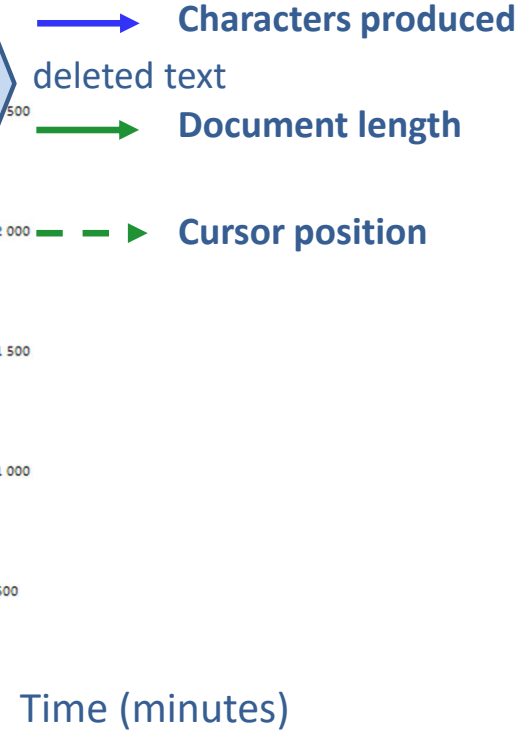
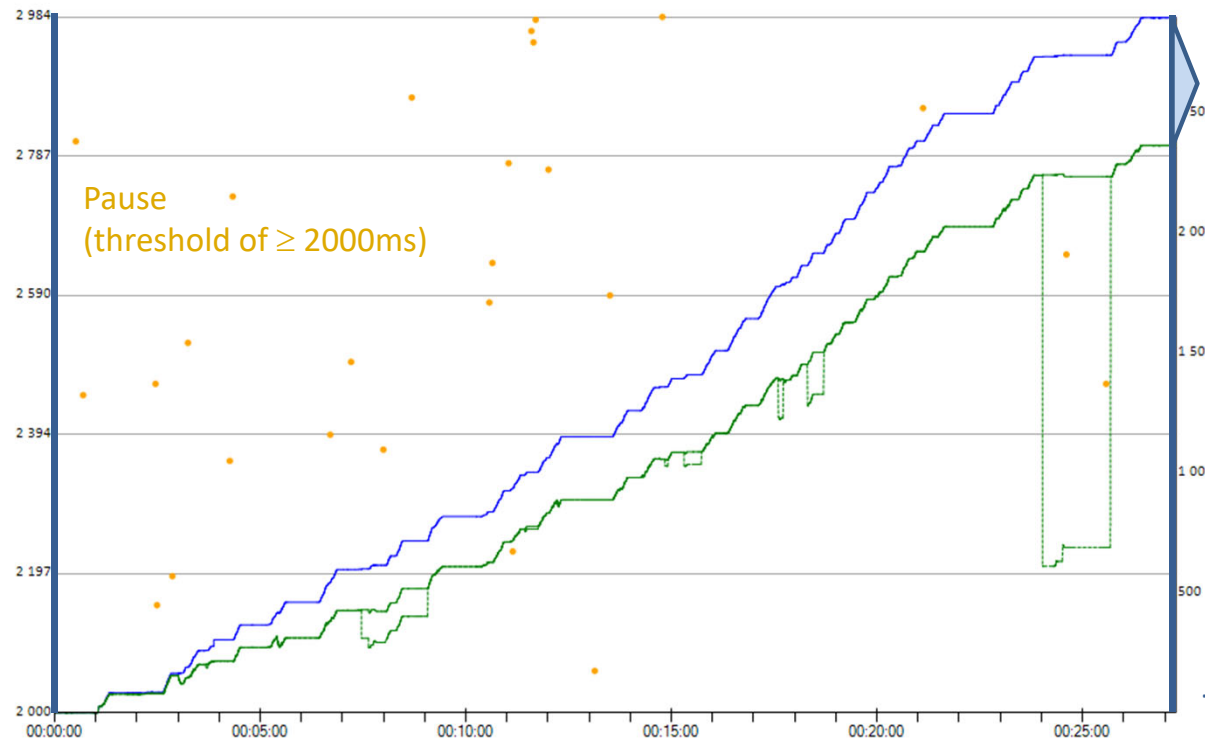
Process graph

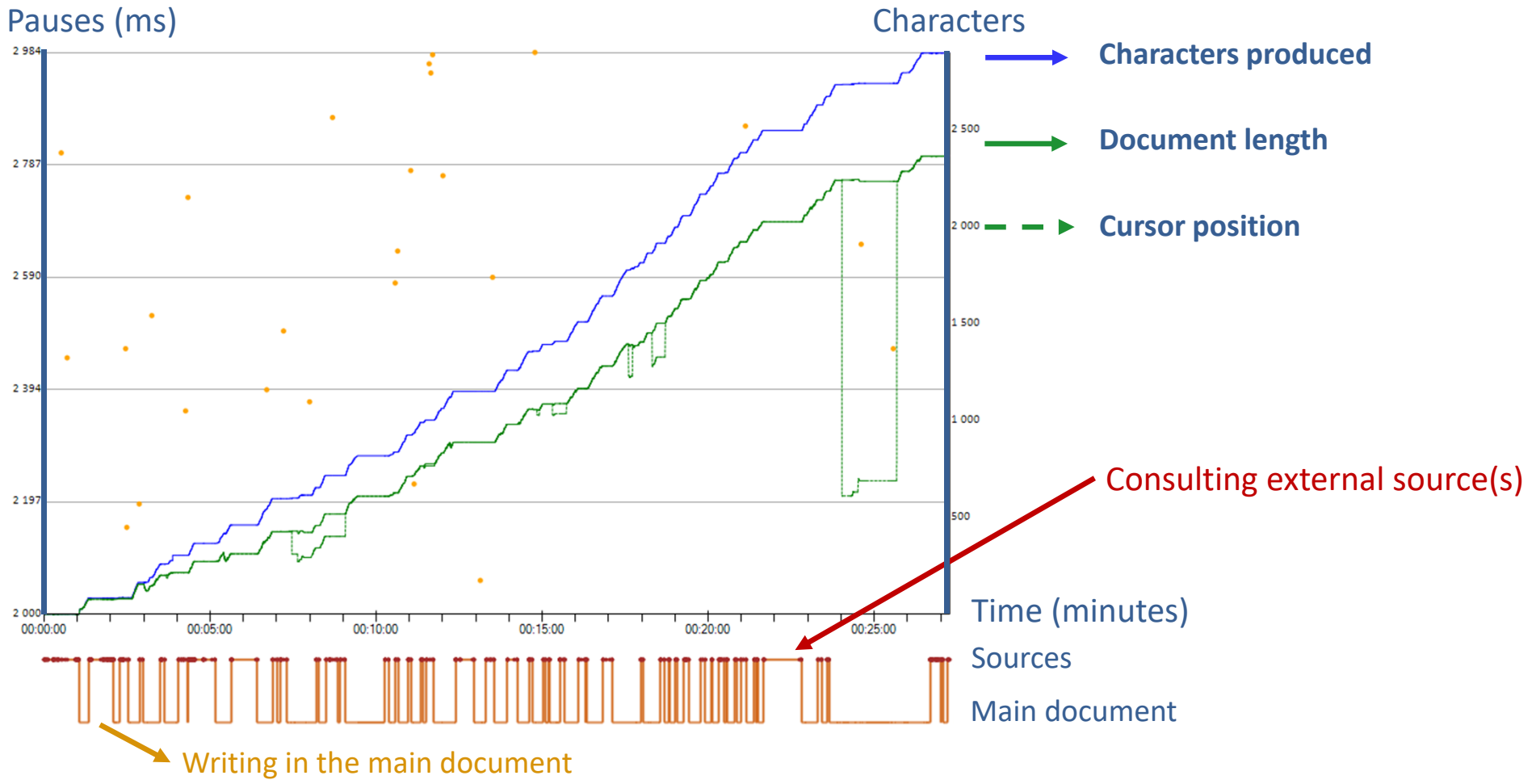


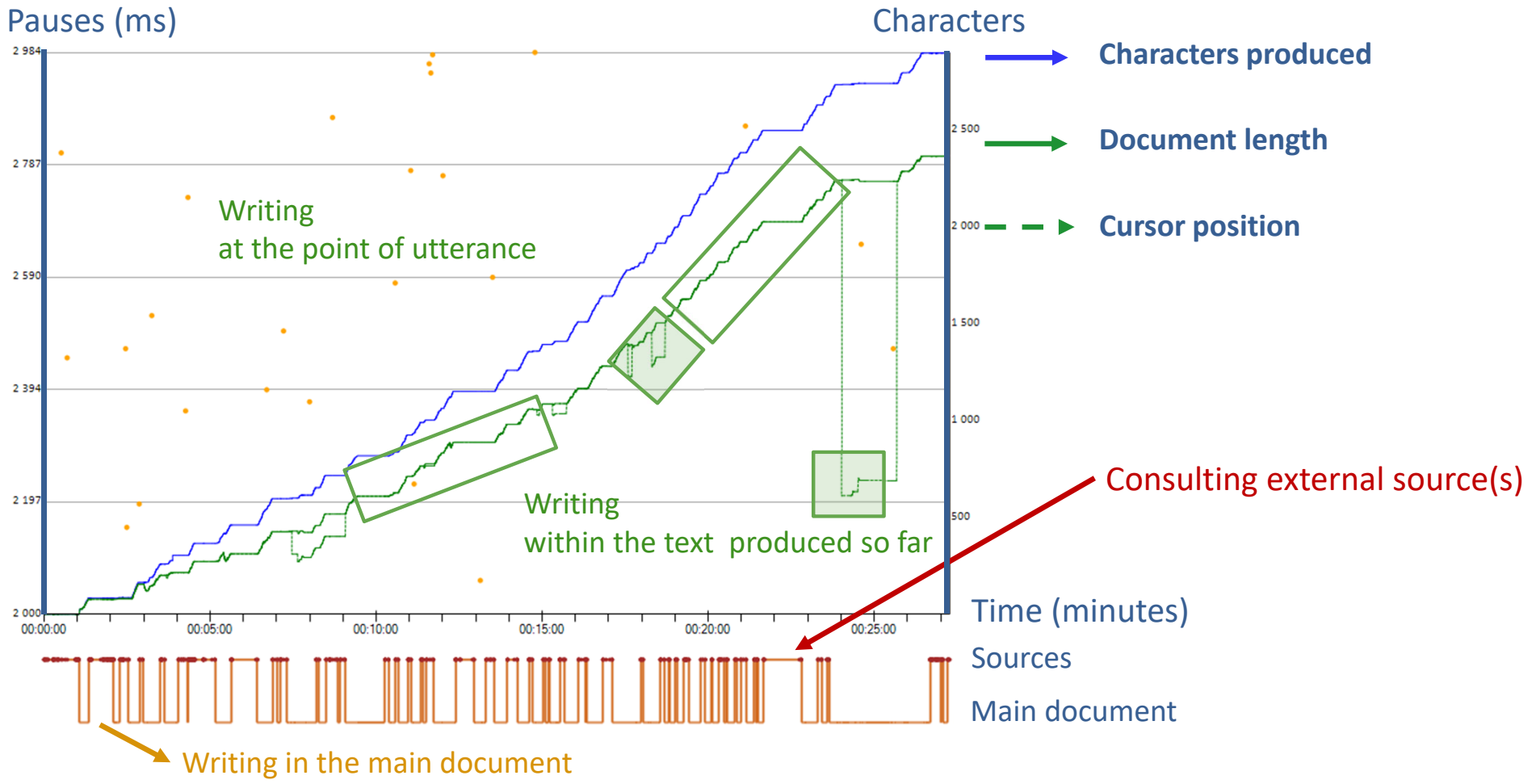


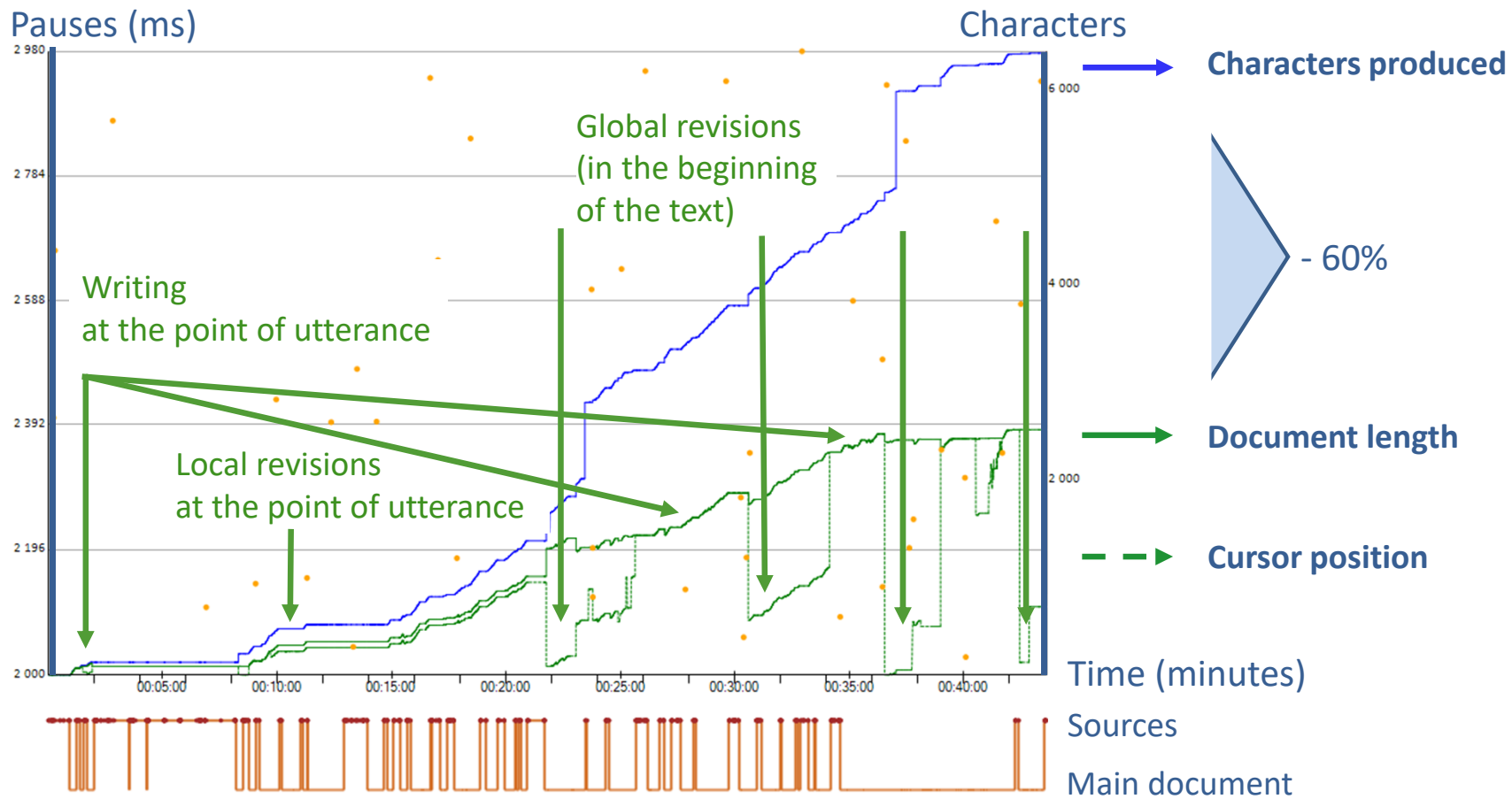
Pauses (ms)

Characters



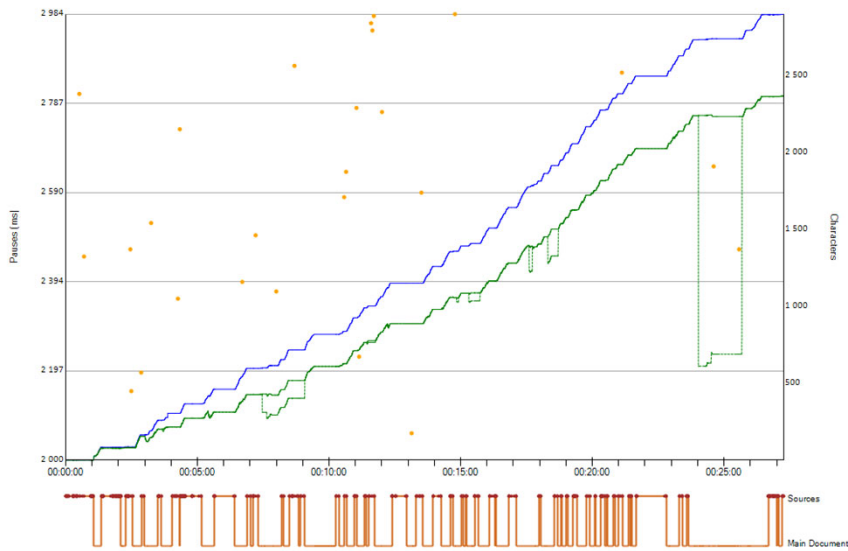




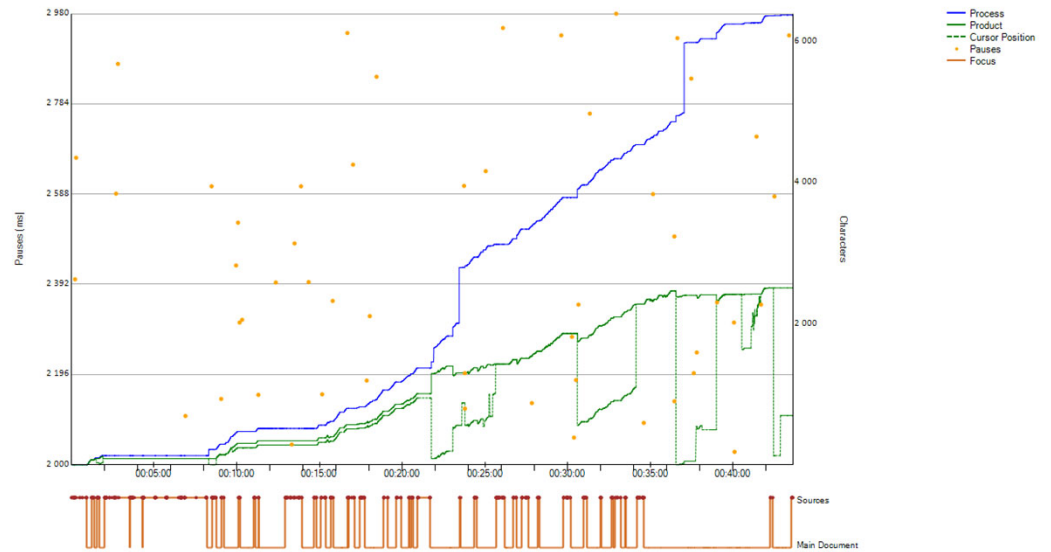


Process graphs

- Process
- Product
- Cursor Position
- Pauses
- Focus



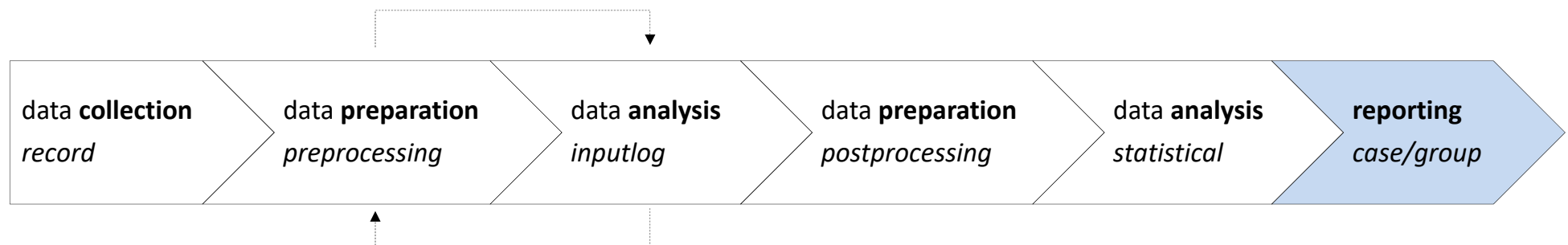
Linear writing process
Singular global revision episode



Recursive writing process
Multiple global revision episodes

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Teaching

The Inputlog report function



How to bring process feedback to the classroom?

Bring process data to the classroom

General Analysis

Meta Information

Logfile	Nicky_Peterson.idfx
Log Creation	07/06/16 10:09:05.758
Log GUID	593a25ee-d1e1-46f4-9ce8-cf52c1b265d0
Logging Program Version Number	7.0.0.3
Analysis Creation	22/05/18 16:52:59
Analysis GUID	ad5776de-3b1d-4c76-a3c6-c4f79ab123c6
Analysis Program Version Number	7.1.0.53

Session Identification

Participant	Nicky Peterson
Text Language	NL
Age	16
Gender	vraag
Session	taak 1
Group	D5

Challenges:

- technical
- pedagogical
- statistical

#Id	Event Type	Output	Position	DocLength	Character Production	StartTime	StartClock	EndTime	EndClock	ActionTime	PauseTime	PauseLocation
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1	focus	Start			0	1684	00:00:01	1684	00:00:01	0	0	CHANGE
2	mouse	Movement			0	1684	00:00:01	2636	00:00:02	952	0	INITIAL
3	mouse	LEFT Click			0	2979	00:00:02	3151	00:00:03	172	343	MOUSE
4	focus	TASKBAR			0	3385	00:00:03	3385	00:00:03	0	0	CHANGE
5	mouse	Movement			0	3385	00:00:03	4196	00:00:04	811	0	MOUSE
6	mouse	LEFT Click			0	6240	00:00:06	6442	00:00:06	202	2044	MOUSE
7	focus	Adobe Reader - [Opdrachtschrijving_argumentatief.pdf]			0	7378	00:00:07	7378	00:00:07	0	0	CHANGE

How to bring the process to class?

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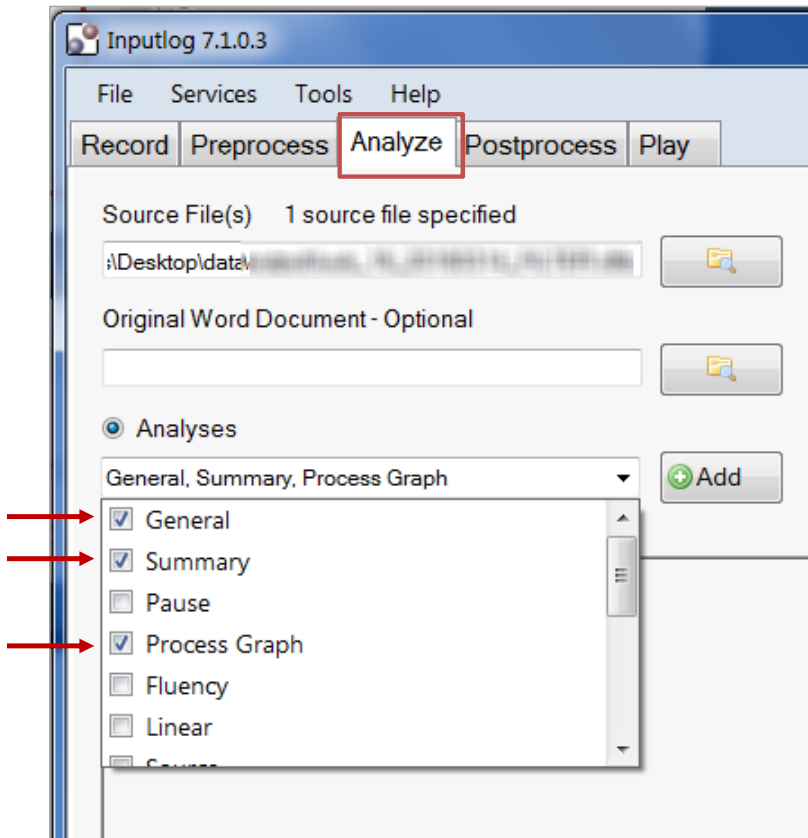
lots of data



lost in data



Analyze

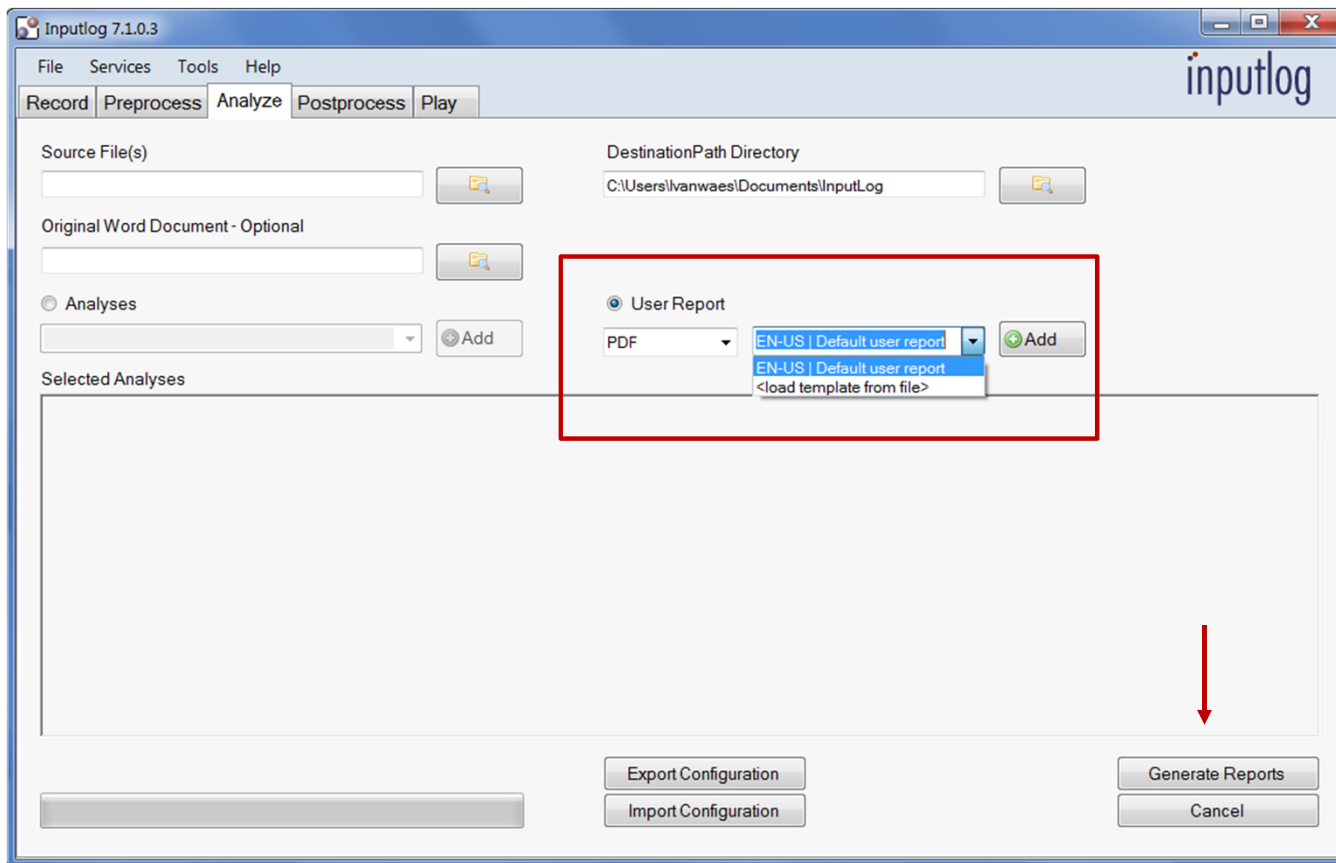


3000+ variables



15 variables

Process reports: user friendly



Process report: Example

inputlog

Process report: Nicky Petersen

Intro

Dear Nicky Petersen

This feedback report provides you with some process and product writing characteristics. Together they describe and typify your writing process of the composition task at hand.

This report will help you to reflect upon the way you completed this task. It is also useful to compare your writing process for different writing tasks, or as a basis to compare your writing strategies with those of your fellow students.

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Research group Professional Communication

Overview

This report contains the following sections:

- Time characteristics
 - Process description
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 - Process and Fluency graphs
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Time

In general when composing this writing task you divided your time as follows:

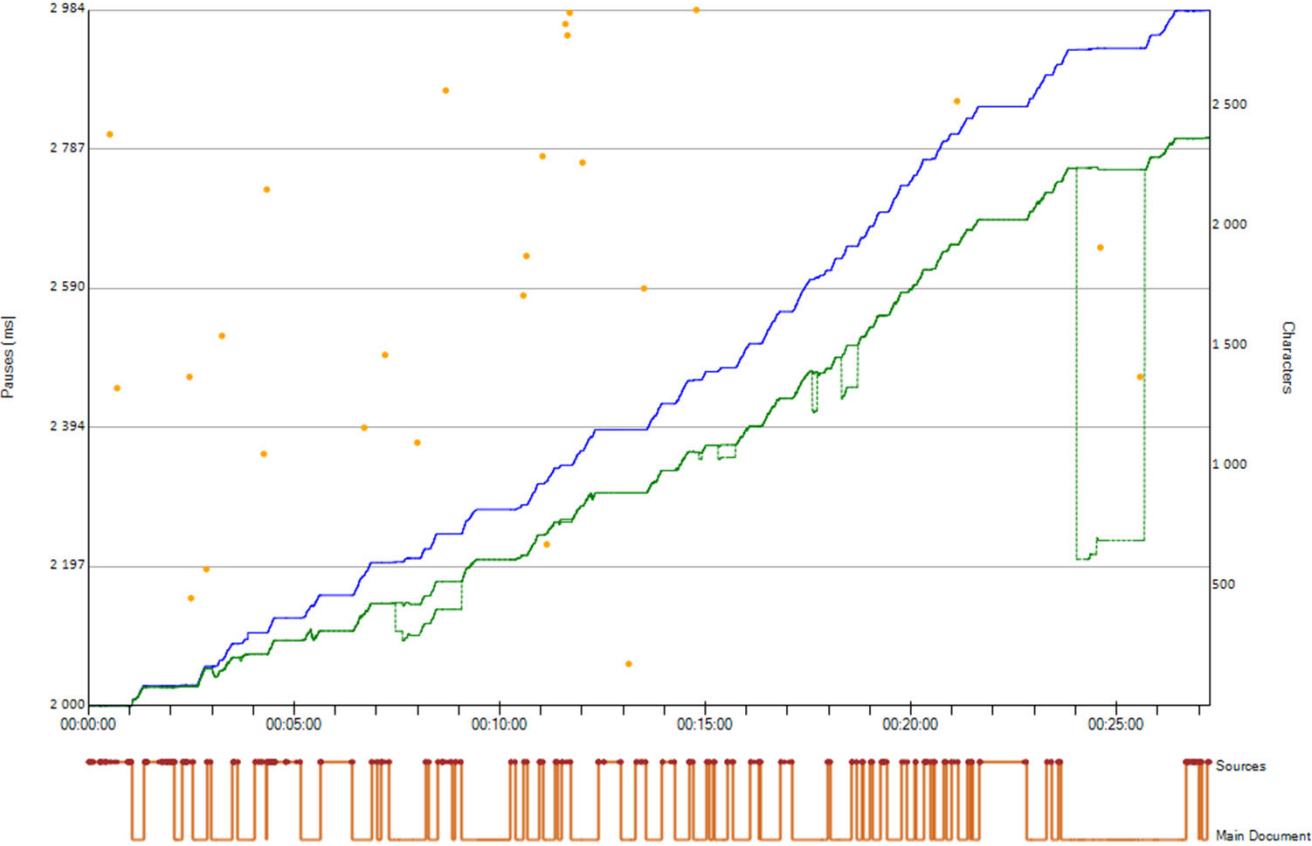
- Total process time (hh:mm:ss): 00:32:20
- Total pausing time (taking into account a pause threshold of 2000 ms): 00:08:15
- Total active writing time (taking into account a pause threshold of 2000 ms): 00:24:04
- The ratio of the time you spent 'thinking' versus the time you spent 'typing' (threshold 2000 ms) 25.54 %

Process

The following process indicators characterize the way in which you produced your text:

- To compose your text of 344 words (or 2166 characters), you produced 466 words (or 3046 characters) during this writing process (excl. copied text).
- Characters per minute (product): 66.98
- Characters per minute (process): 94.19
- Proportion product/process: 63.65% [Note: the lower the percentage, the more revisions you made.]

Process graph



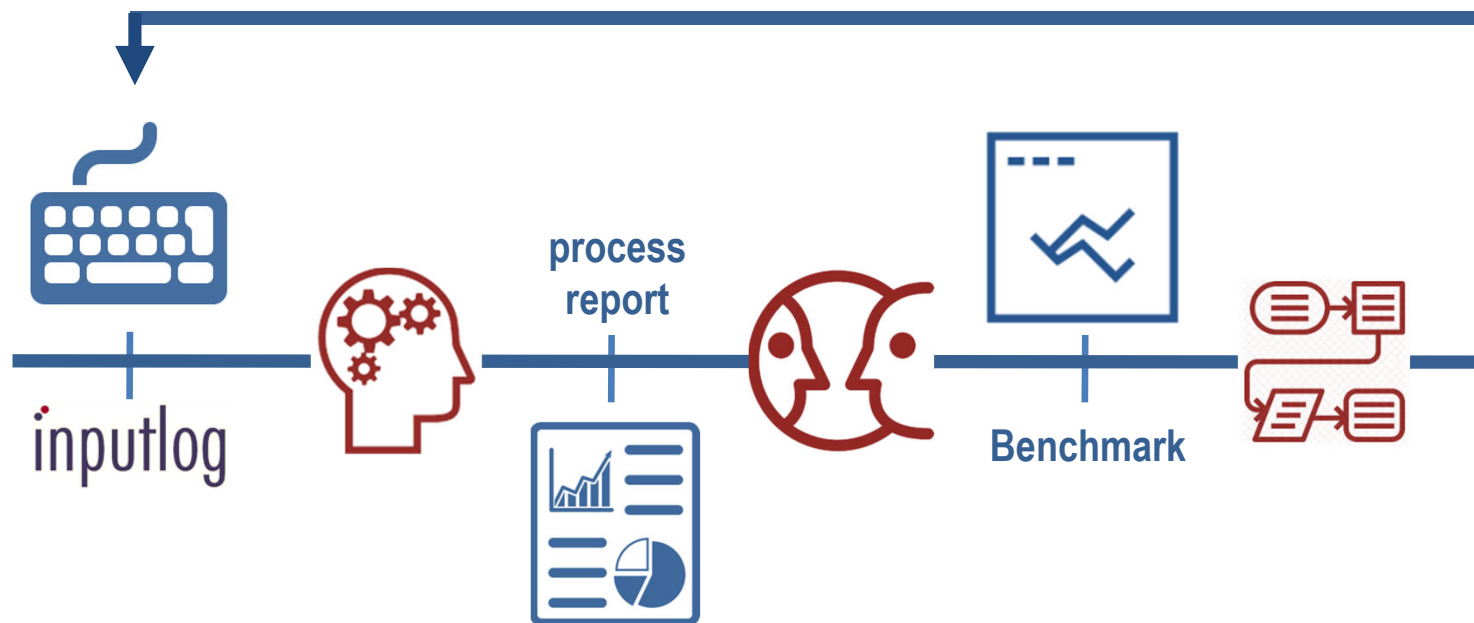
Instructional movie



How to generate
a process report
in Inputlog

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Pedagogy: Process feedback flow



Inputlog 9 - Beta

Logging Chinese script



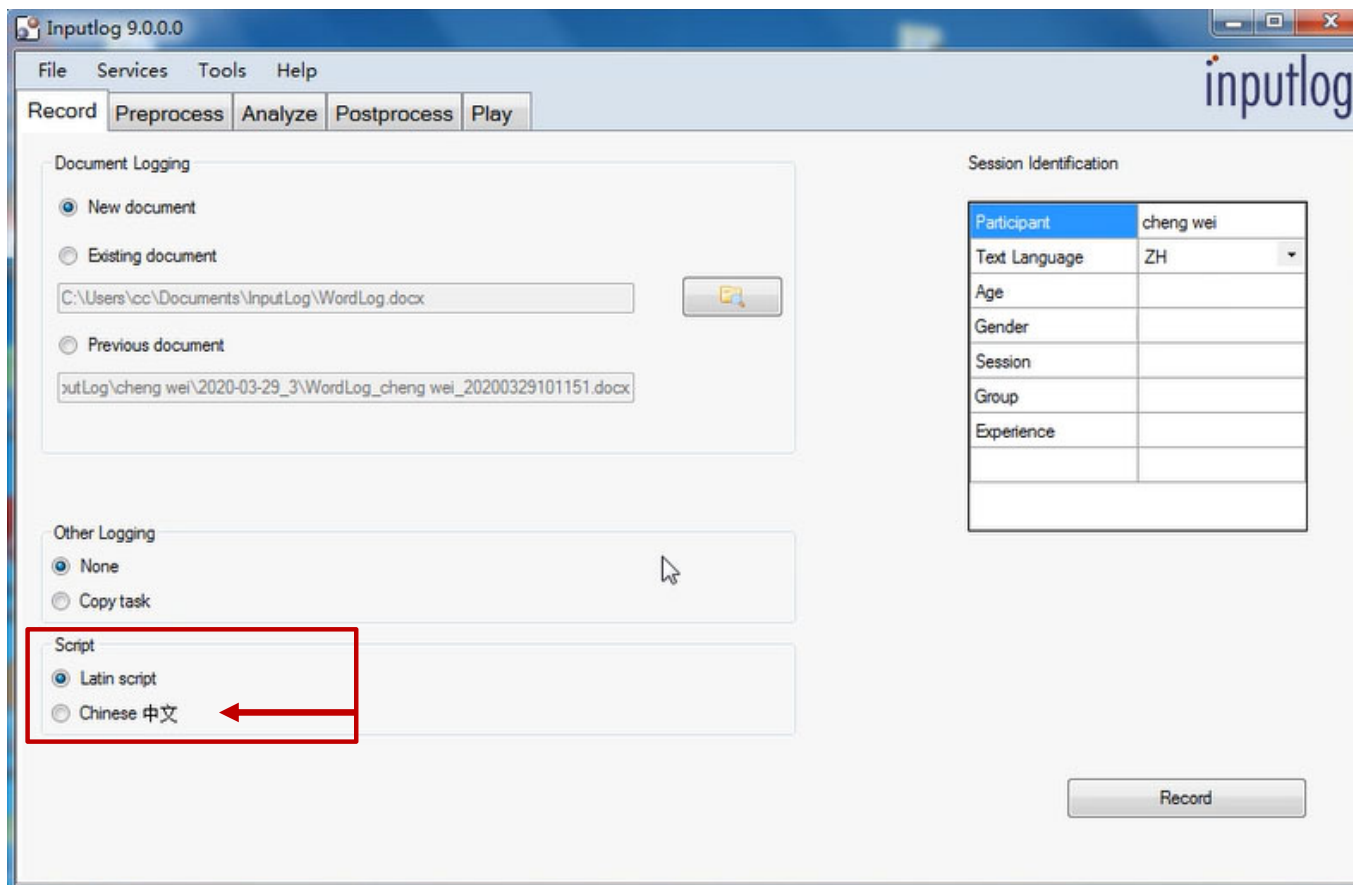
How to log Chinese script?

Logging Chinese script

Sogou 搜狗

Thanks to:
prof. WANG Junju
CHENG Wei
XU Cuiqin

Screenshot Inputlog 9 beta



Example

这是我第一次使用

event_ Id	event_ output	IME Buffer	IME Text	IME Generated	Location Recoded Pinyin	Location Recoded Sign	event_char Production	event_ action Time	event_ start Clock	event_ end Clock
10	e	e		FALSE	BEFORE SENTENCES	BEFORE SENTENCES	1	110	00:23.1	00:23.3
11	s	es		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		1	102	00:23.4	00:23.5
12	SPACE	es	这是	TRUE	BEFORE SELECTION	BEFORE CHARACTER(S)	3	191	00:24.4	00:24.6
13	w	w		FALSE	AFTER SELECTION	AFTER CHARACTER(S)	3	143	00:25.2	00:25.3
14	SPACE	w	我	TRUE	BEFORE SELECTION		4	143	00:25.6	00:25.7
15	d	d		FALSE	AFTER SELECTION		4	118	00:25.8	00:25.9
16	i	di		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		4	102	00:25.9	00:26.0
17	y	diy		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		4	96	00:26.1	00:26.2
18	SPACE	diy	第一	TRUE	BEFORE SELECTION	BEFORE CHARACTER(S)	6	117	00:26.6	00:26.7
19	c	c		FALSE	AFTER SELECTION	AFTER CHARACTER(S)	6	142	00:26.8	00:26.9
20	i	ci		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		6	86	00:26.9	00:27.0
21	SPACE	ci	次	TRUE	BEFORE SELECTION	BEFORE CHARACTER(S)	7	111	00:27.4	00:27.6
22	s	s		FALSE	AFTER SELECTION	AFTER CHARACTER(S)	7	160	00:27.6	00:27.8
23	h	sh		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		7	71	00:27.8	00:27.9
24	i	shi		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		7	88	00:27.9	00:28.0
25	y	shiy		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		7	95	00:28.1	00:28.2
26	SPACE	shiy	使用	TRUE	BEFORE SELECTION	BEFORE CHARACTER(S)	9	167	00:28.8	00:29.0
27	z	z		FALSE	AFTER SELECTION	AFTER CHARACTER(S)	9	175	00:30.8	00:31.0
28	e	ze		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		9	152	00:31.1	00:31.3
29	BACK	z		FALSE	REVISION		9	95	00:32.2	00:32.3
30	BACK			FALSE	REVISION		9	96	00:32.4	00:32.5
31	x	x		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		10	135	00:33.0	00:33.1
32	i	xi		FALSE	WITHIN PINYIN		10	103	00:33.2	00:33.3

Next steps

- Develop analyses for Chinese logging
- Bring more 'intelligence'
 - big data studies
 - pattern analysis
 - machine learning



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Inputlog

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What is Inputlog?

Inputlog is a keystroke logging program enabling you to observe writing process dynamics and collect fine grained data. The program also provides a wide range of analyses opening new perspectives to a better understanding of the (cognitive) complexity of writing.

Installation procedure

Follow this procedure if you want to download Inputlog:

1 | Register

1.1 | Complete the registration form You will receive a personal installation code to unlock the installation procedure.

Register

1.2 | Confirm your registration Confirm your registration by activating the link in the registration mail that is automatically sent to your mailbox.

1.3 | Wait for your personal installation code As we personally handle and evaluate every request, it might take a few days before you receive your code.

2 | Download

2.1 | Select the Inputlog version of your choice Decide whether you need the latest version (preferred choice for most users) or a former version (to complete research projects in which former versions have been used).

2.2 | Download the program

Go to the latest version of Inputlog

3 | Install

3.1 | Open the installation file Inputlog_xx.exe The installation wizard will be started.

3.2 | Enter the registration code See also: hardware and software requirements in the installation section.

3.3 | Finalize the installation procedure Inputlog will start automatically.

Good luck on using keystroke logging in your research... and in your classroom