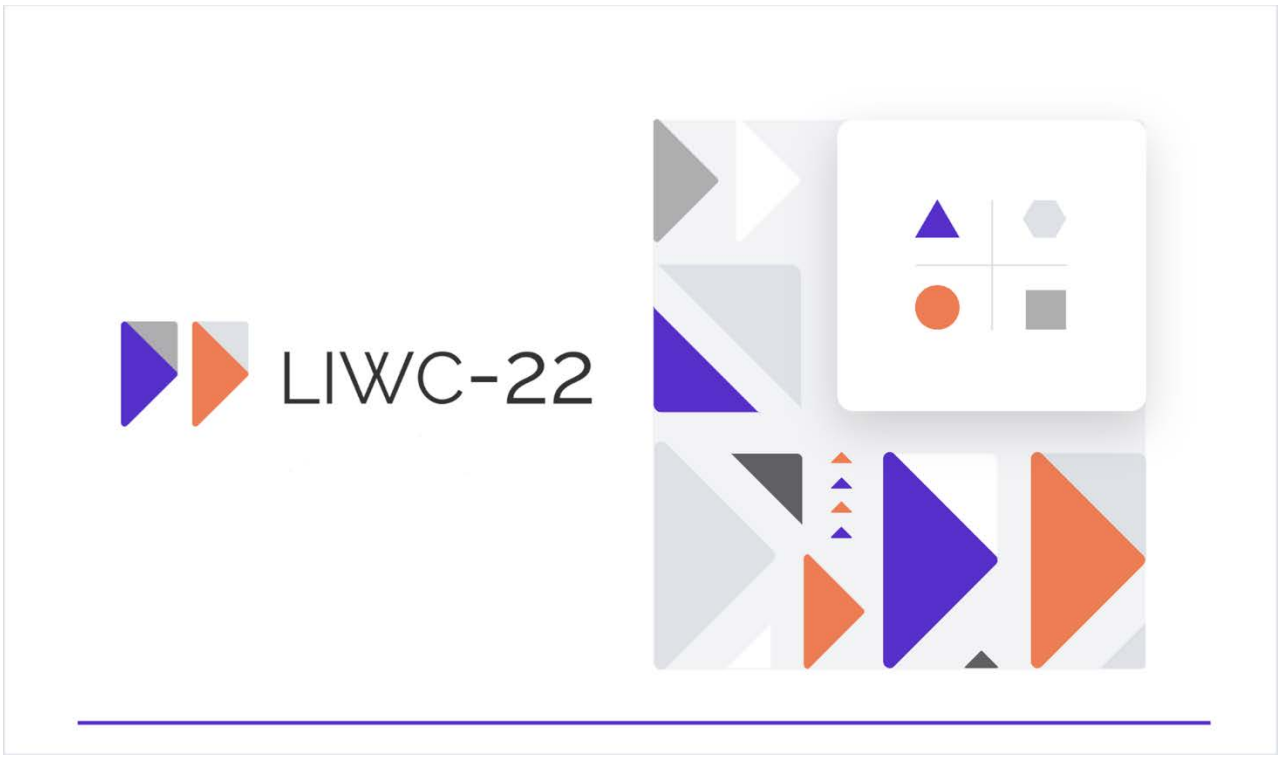


Announcing the release of LIWC-22

Saturday, February 19, 2022

After nearly two years in development…
the new LIWC will change how you think about text analysis.

Updates Include:

- **Expanded set of dictionaries, including**
  All-or-none thinking, politeness, moralization, culture, and 20 more
  Distinction between affective sentiment and pure emotion
  Most psychometrically tested and validated LIWC dictionaries ever

- **New design and look**
  Blazingly fast on PC and Macs
  A CLI (command line interface) allowing you to run LIWC from R and Python
  An easy-to-use dictionary development tool

New Features:

- **Word frequencies and word clouds**. Inspect a single file, large groups of files, or text within Excel of csv files. Most exciting, use the internal word cloud generator that can save the word clouds as external image files for use in presentations and publications.

- **Topic modeling with the Meaning Extraction Method (MEM)**. For larger files or multiple text files, you can now set up MEM within the LIWC program. You can then use the output to run a factor analysis directly in R, SPSS, or other stats program. MEM will reveal the underlying themes or word clusters within your texts.

- **Narrative arc analyses**. A new approach to the study of stories and narratives that allows you to measure how your texts conform to important story structures.

- **Contextual analysis of words**. The internal contextualizer allows you to identify specific words or LIWC categories that you would like to see in context. LIWC will then output the words immediately before and after so that you can see that word's neighbors. You can then analyze the neighboring words with LIWC tools separately.

- **Case studies**. We love this one. The case studies feature allows you to write, paste, or load a single text and then analyze it using the various LIWC tools. You can then delve into a particular email, poem, or R&R letter to your heart's content.

- **Transcript preparation module**. If you deal with transcripts, you may spend hours trying to format them in different ways for different analyses. Those days are over. The transcript preparation module can simplify the process from beginning to end.

Coming Soon (to be added within the next month or so…):

- **Language style matching (LSM)**. The new LSM module will allow you to effortlessly compare the language of pairs or groups of texts. Some features even allow you to compare the language of two or more people's interactions within a file.

- **Expanded topic modeling**. The expanded MEM analysis feature will build the factor analysis results into LIWC so that you can see the themes of the text without having to export the data to another program.

Want LIWC-22 now?!

Academic users can purchase the new version of LIWC *right now* by visiting https://www.liwc.app/buy

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3-month LIWC-22 lease	$32.95
1-year LIWC-22 lease	$54.95
3-year LIWC-22 lease	$129.95

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