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The hunt for plagiarism: Using the right tools for the right job.

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The Internet and other online resources make researching easier, but they also provide a more conducive means to plagiarism. Products like Turnitin and PlagiServe are beginning to harness the Internet for detecting plagiarism, in a similar fashion to what search engines such as Google and ProFusion have long been doing. It remains to be seen, however, if detection services perform better than the search engines. This paper examines the advantages and shortcomings of four online plagiarism detection measures, including detection services and search engines, as well as testing the products for their ability to accurately detect plagiarism.

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