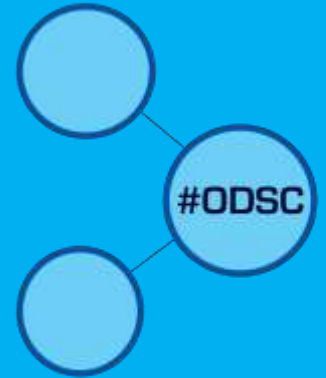


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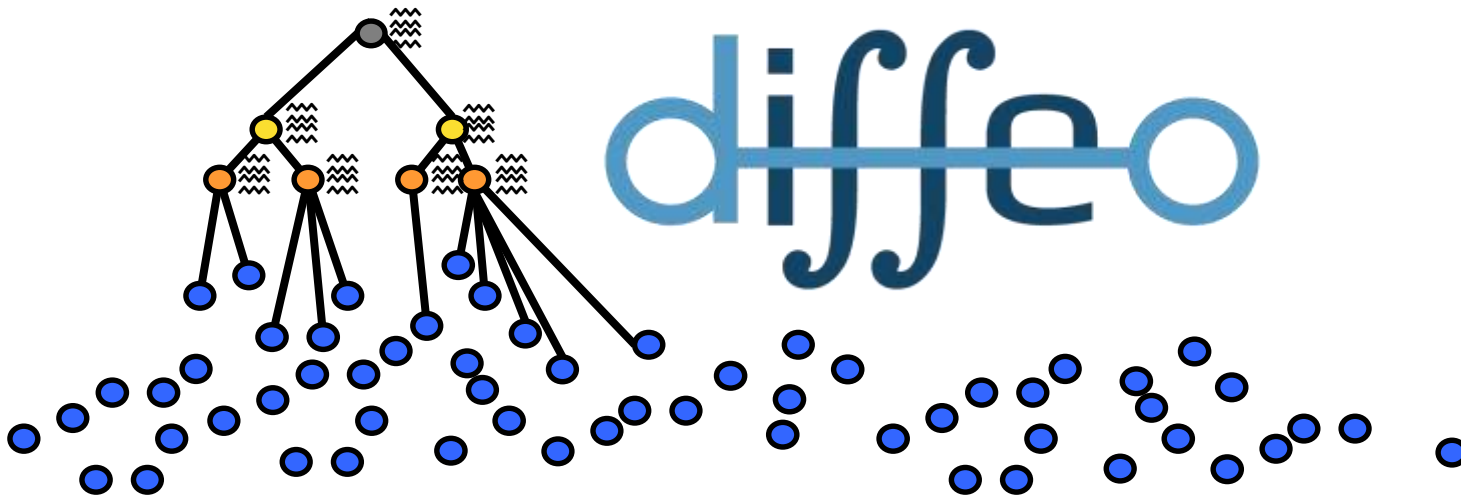
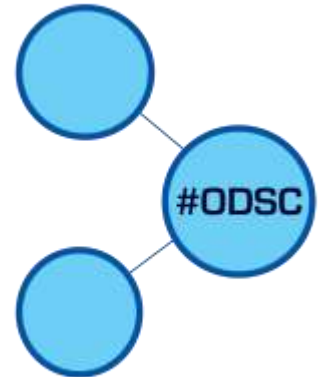
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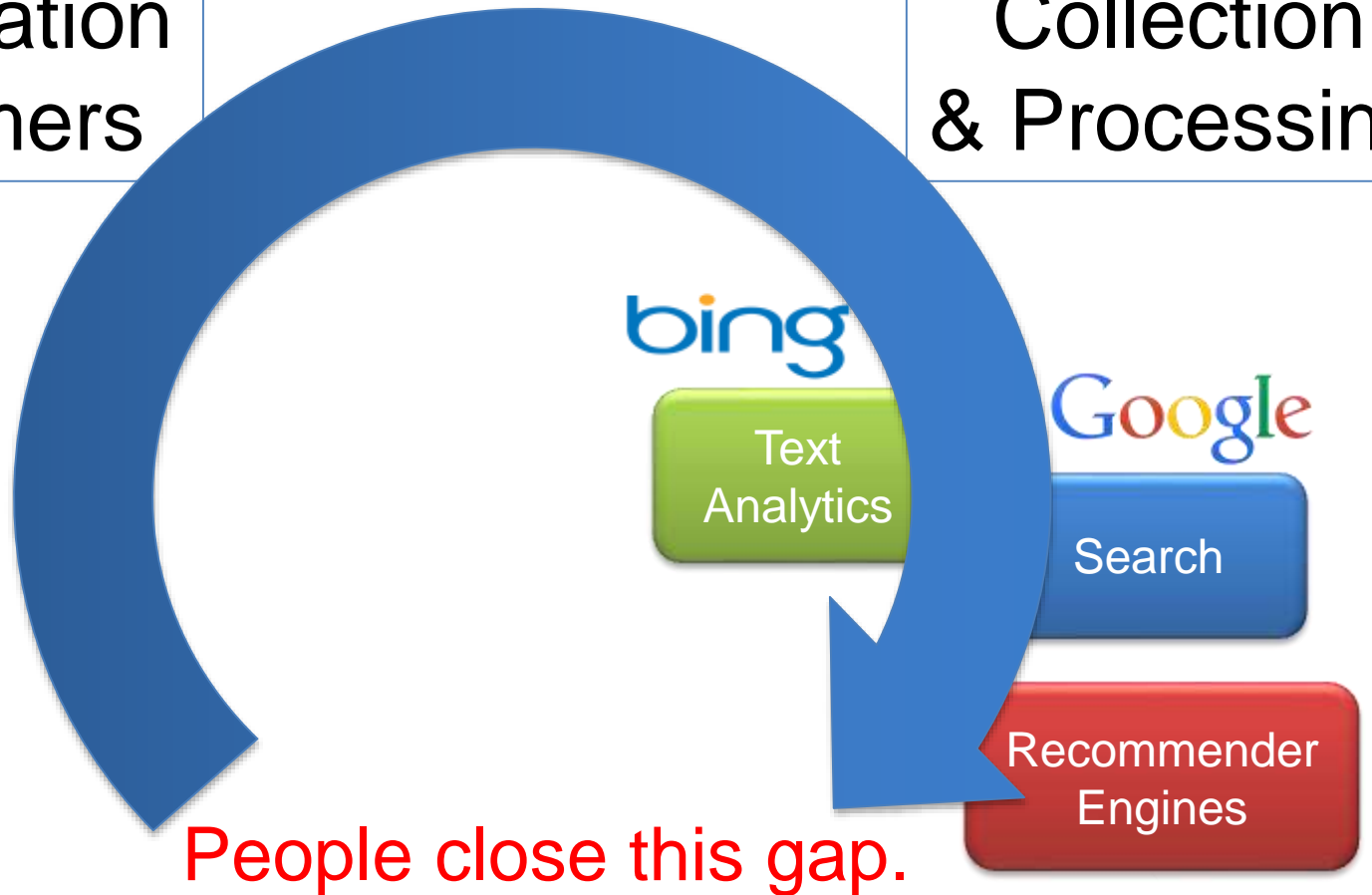


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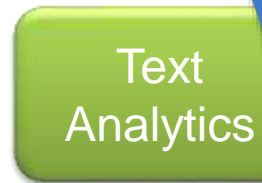
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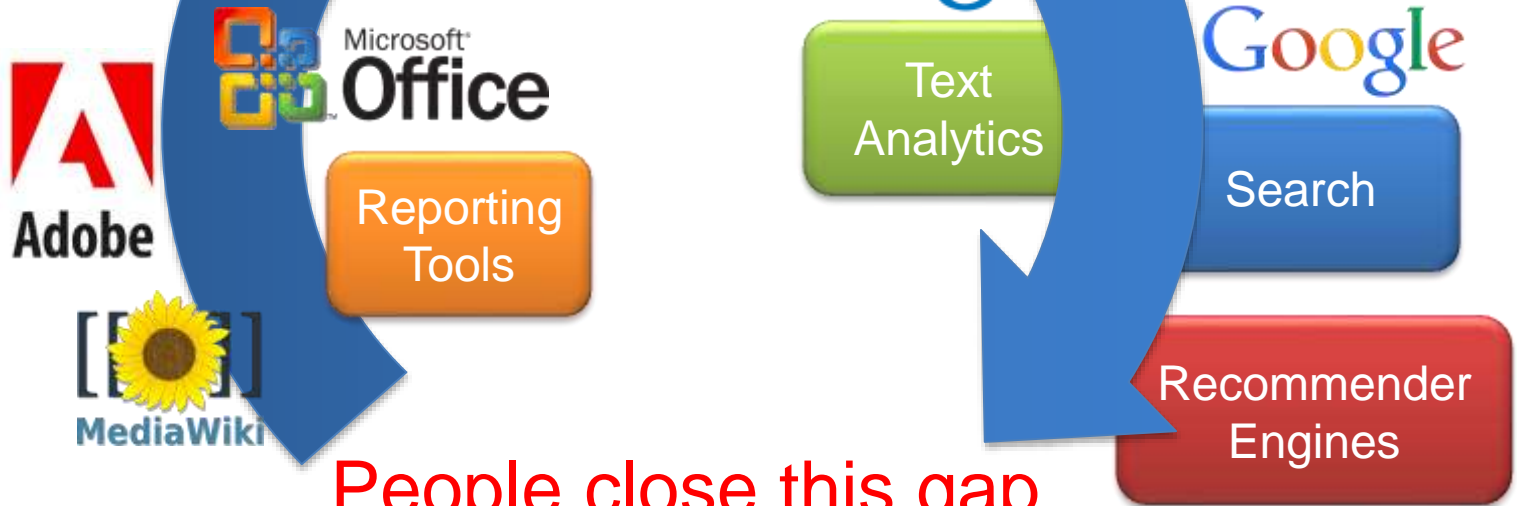


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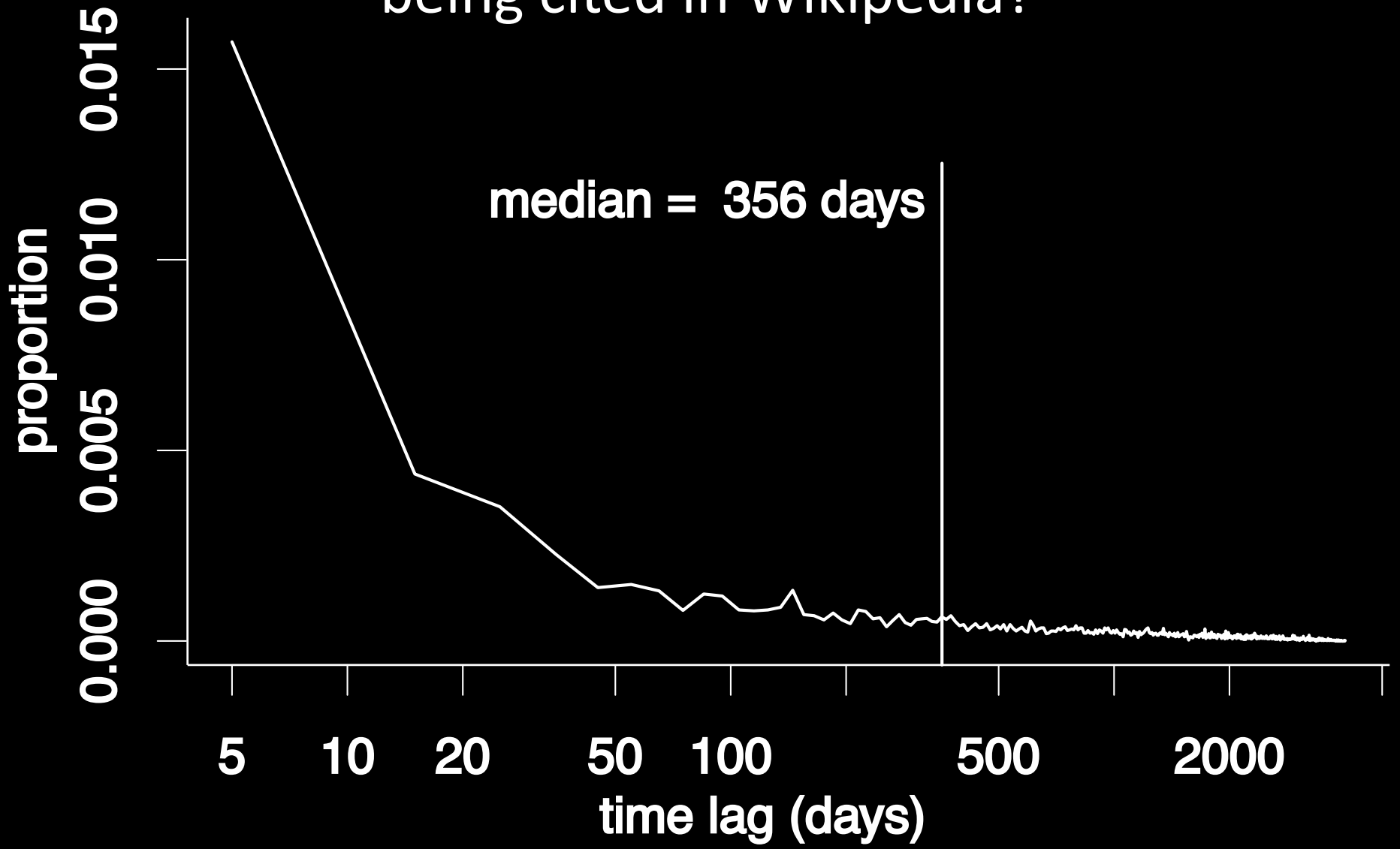
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# How many days must a news article wait before being cited in Wikipedia?



# Knowledge Base Acceleration?

rate of assimilation  $\ll$  stream size

# editors  $\ll$  # entities  $\ll$  # mentions

(definition of a “large” KB)

## Entities in Wikipedia or another Knowledge Base

**Takashi Murakami** (村上隆 Murakami Takashi<sup>?</sup>, born in Tokyo) is an internationally prolific contemporary Japanese artist. He works in fine arts media—such as painting and sculpture—as well as what is conventionally considered commercial media—fashion, merchandise, and animation— and is known for blurring the line between hi and low art. He coined the term superflat.



Automatically  
recommend new  
edits

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System

### Content Stream

- 1.2bn texts, 50% English
- >500M tagged by Serif
- 13,663 hours of data (19 months)
- 10<sup>5</sup> docs-per-hour
- News, blogs, forums, preprints, and more

## TREC KBA 2014

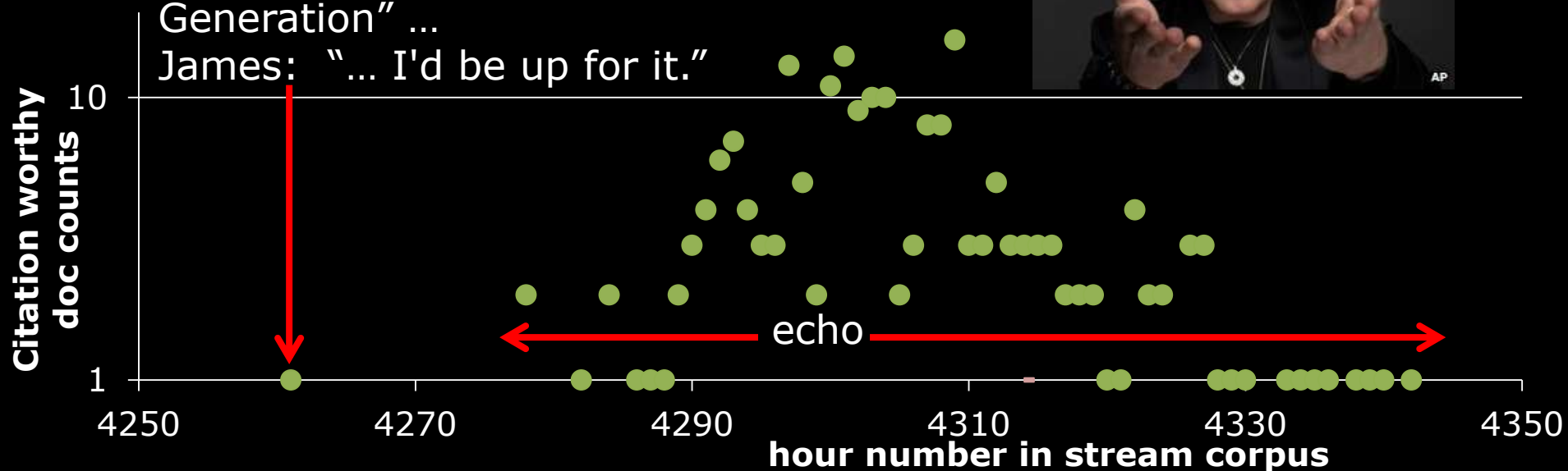
### Stream Filtering to Recommend Citations and Fill Slots

- 1) Initialize with **target entities**
  - Start with citations before dateX (20%)
- 1) Iterate over stream of text items
  - Predict citations after dateX (80%)
  - Citation = “vital”, i.e. changes profile
- 2) Identify infobox slot values

# SSF example:

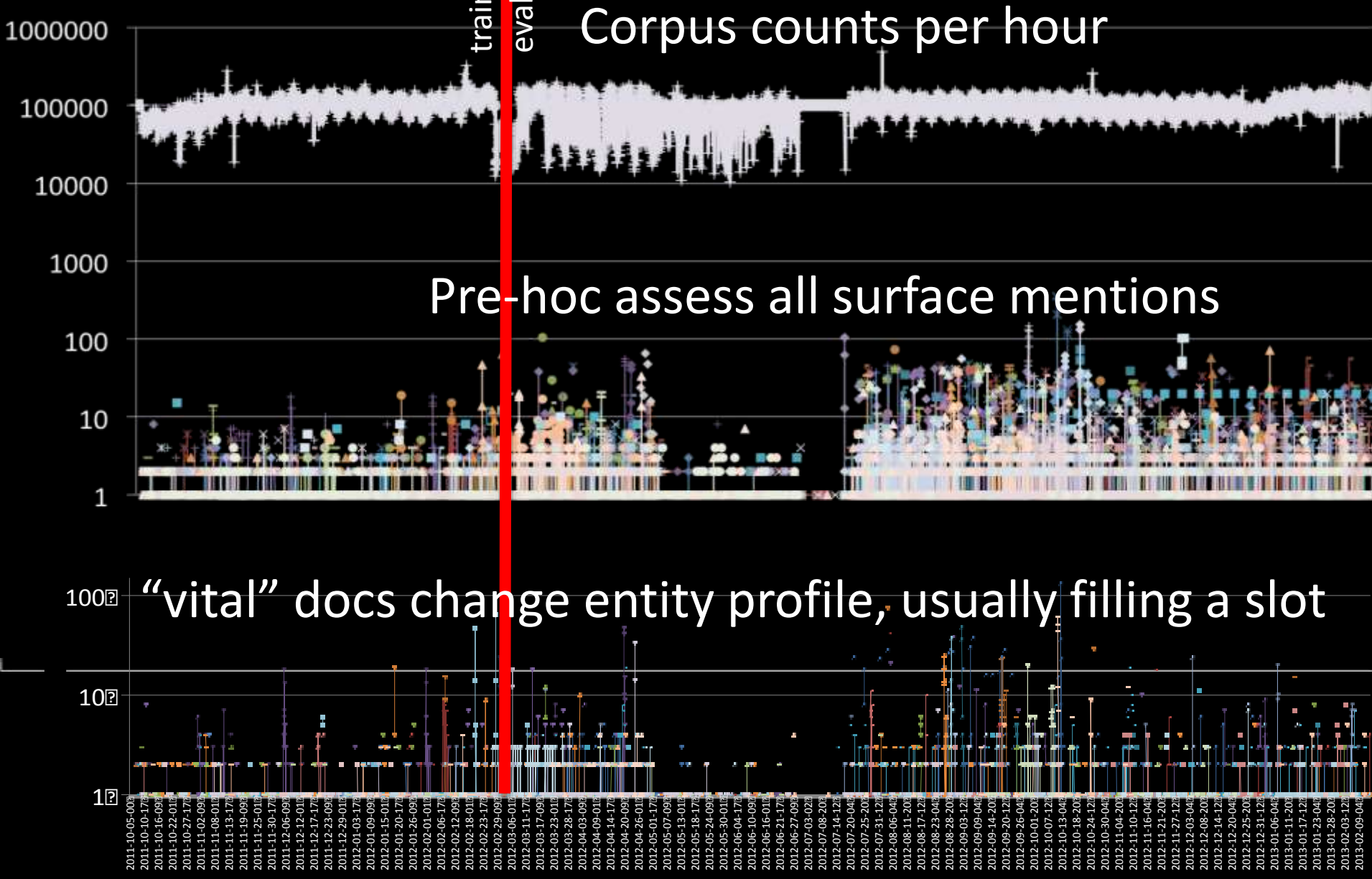
## “FounderOf” slot on James McCartney

BBC: “What would you say to forming The Beatles - The Next Generation” ...  
James: “... I'd be up for it.”



Entity profiles evolve over time!

Exploring these issues in new track: TREC Dynamic Domain





s3://aws-publicdatasets/trec/index.html

1,187,974,321 documents total

579,838,246 English docs tagged by BBN Serif

- NER, within-doc coref
- Sentence Parse Trees
- Relations

Available at: <http://trec-kba.org/>



# What entity resolvers do easily is boring.

**Wang Qishan**, China's top graft buster and a member of the Politburo Standing Committee, making him one of the seven most powerful people in China

**Wang Qishan**, male, Han nationality, is a native of Tianzhen County, Shanxi province. Director, Rural Development Research Center of the State Council, Communication Office. **He** served as a member of the CPC Beijing Municipal Committee in 2003, and he was appointed mayor of Beijing in the same year.

**Wang**, 64, is member of the Political Bureau of the 17th CPC Central Committee and vice premier. **He** was also elected into the new Central Commission for Discipline Inspection.

<b>Wang Qishan</b> 王岐山	
	
Wang Qishan	
Secretary of the Central Commission for Discipline Inspection	
Incumbent	
Assumed office	
15 November 2012	
Deputy	Zhao Hongzhu
General Secretary	Xi Jinping
Preceded by	He Guoqiang
Vice Premier of the People's Republic of China	
In office	
March 2008 – March 2013	
Serving with Li Keqiang	
Hui Liangyu, Zhang Dejiang	
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Personal details	
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Political party	Communist Party of China
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# What entity resolvers *should* do is exciting.

**Wang** also announced that Trinidad and Tobago would receive a 40M yuan grant (approximately TT\$40M) from the Chinese government to fund projects mutually agreed upon by both governments.

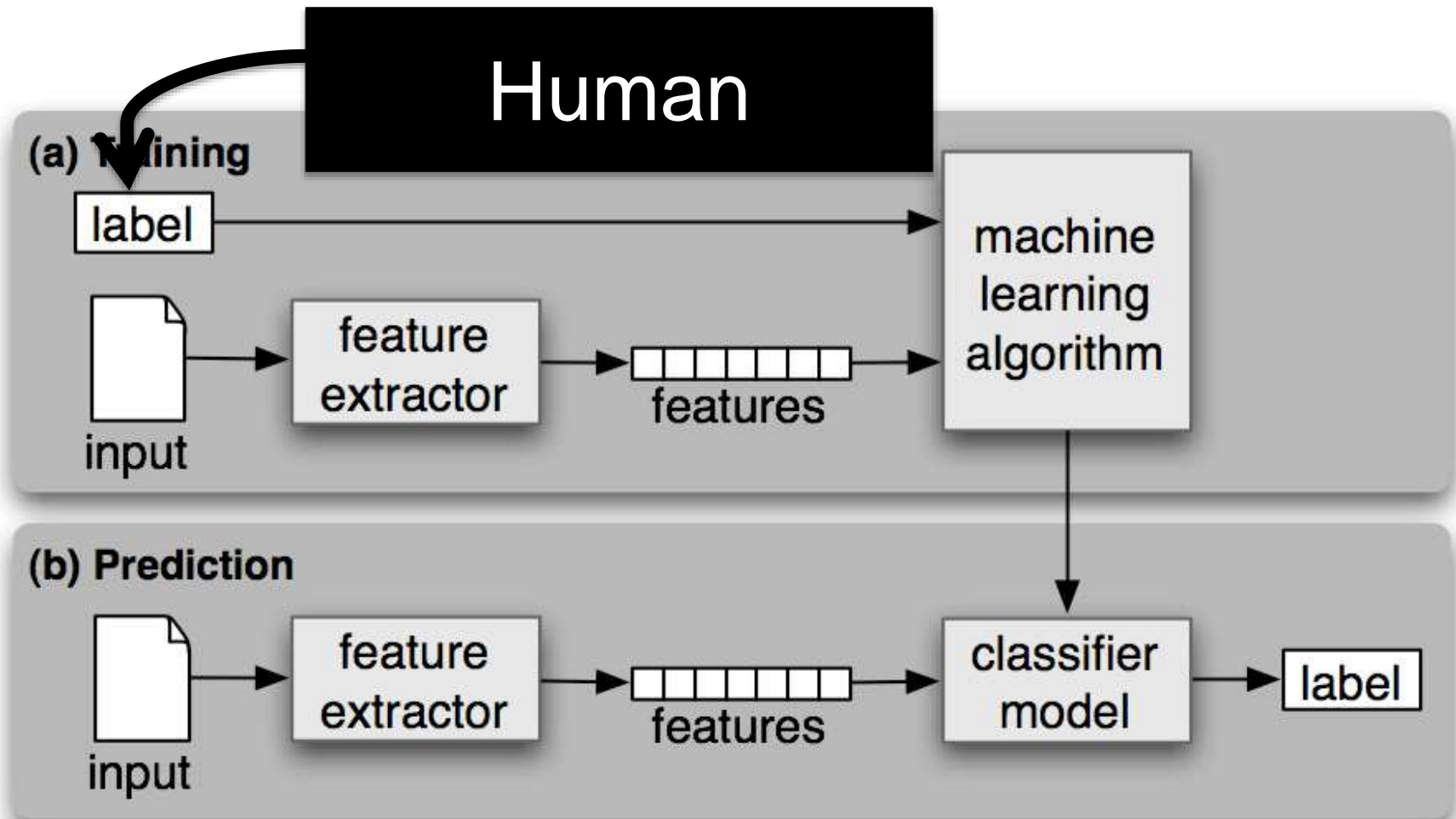
Do you realize that Harry Reid and his son Rory have a deal for that land with Chinese Vice Premier **Wang Qishan** for a 5 billion solar plant. Its all over social media...

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce co-hosted a dinner last night at the JW Marriot in Washington to honor Chinese Vice Premier **Wang Qishan**, who is in the United States to co-chair the 23rd China - U.S. Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade

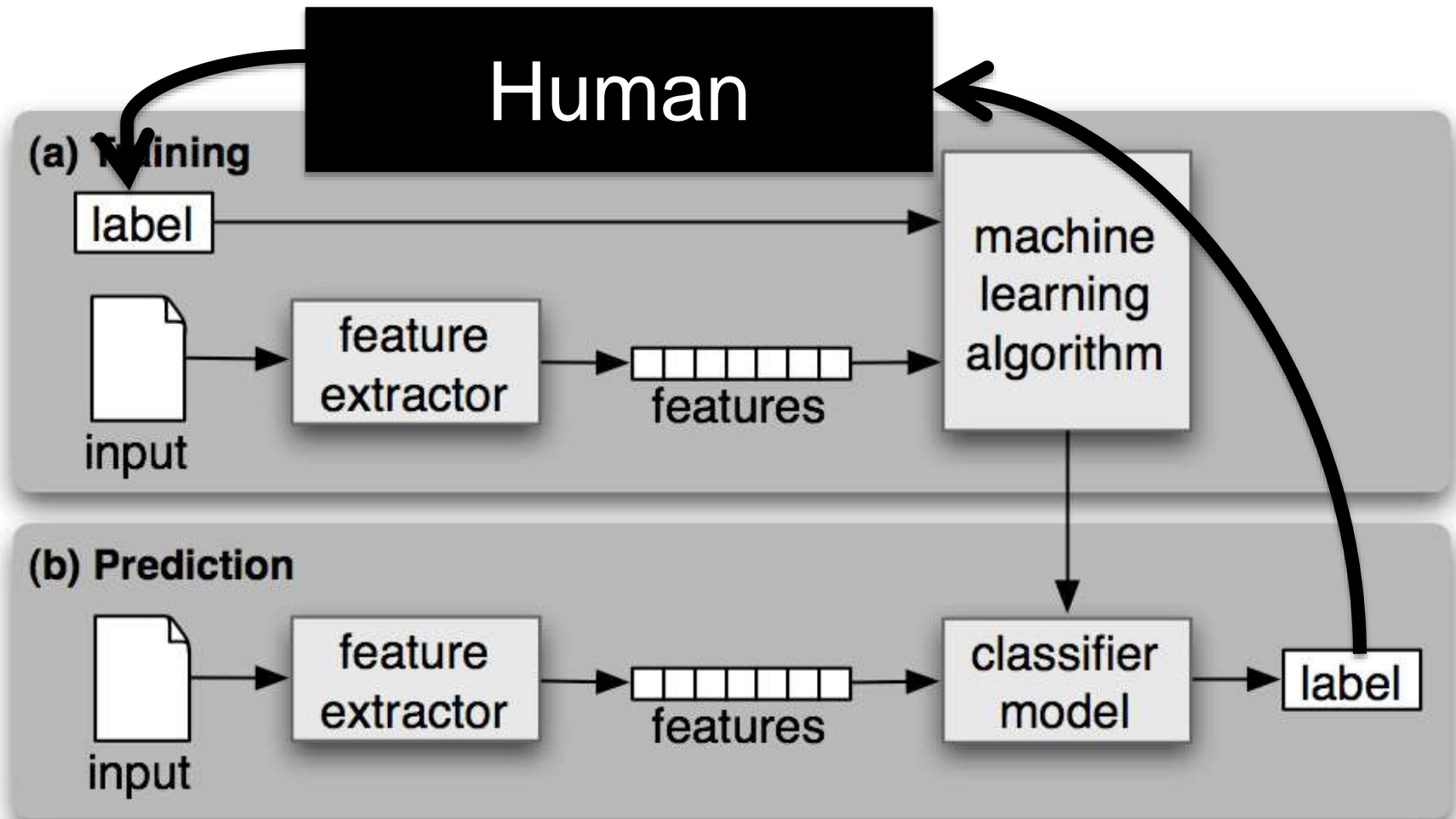
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# Traditional Machine Learning



# Human-in-the-loop (active learning)



# Machine-in-the-Loop (active-ranking)

Collaborative  
MediaWiki KB  
Authoring Tools

Information  
gathering as  
training

Profile as  
query

Novel and  
Relevant  
Results

The image shows a screenshot of a MediaWiki page titled "Sandworm". The page content includes a main article, a list of references, and a sidebar with search results. Three callout boxes are overlaid on the page:

- Collaborative MediaWiki KB Authoring Tools**: A black rounded rectangle with white text, pointing to the top left of the page.
- Information gathering as training**: A white rectangle with a black border and black text, pointing to the right side of the page.
- Profile as query**: A white rectangle with a black border and black text, pointing to the left side of the page.
- Novel and Relevant Results**: A black rounded rectangle with white text, pointing to the bottom right of the page.

The page content includes sections like "Sandworm", "References: Zero Day", and "References: SCADA". The sidebar shows search results for "Sandworm Team" and "Sandworm", with snippets of text and scores.

# Welcome

Hello, John!

To search for data, enter the name of an entity:

 Start Gathering Notes

This search engine allows you to rapidly assemble notes about entities of interest.

As you write notes, the search engine presents relevant content on the right-hand side.

You can also browse the list of existing entity profiles in this knowledge base.

You can upload files from your desktop.

Show 10 entries

Search:

Title	Last modified by	Last modified
QUEDAGH	John	44 seconds ago
GE Cimplicity - Hydro Team	John	1 minute ago
Robert Smith	John	4 minutes ago
Guccifer	Kbsysop	04:05
Hector Xavier Monsegur	Kbsysop	04:05

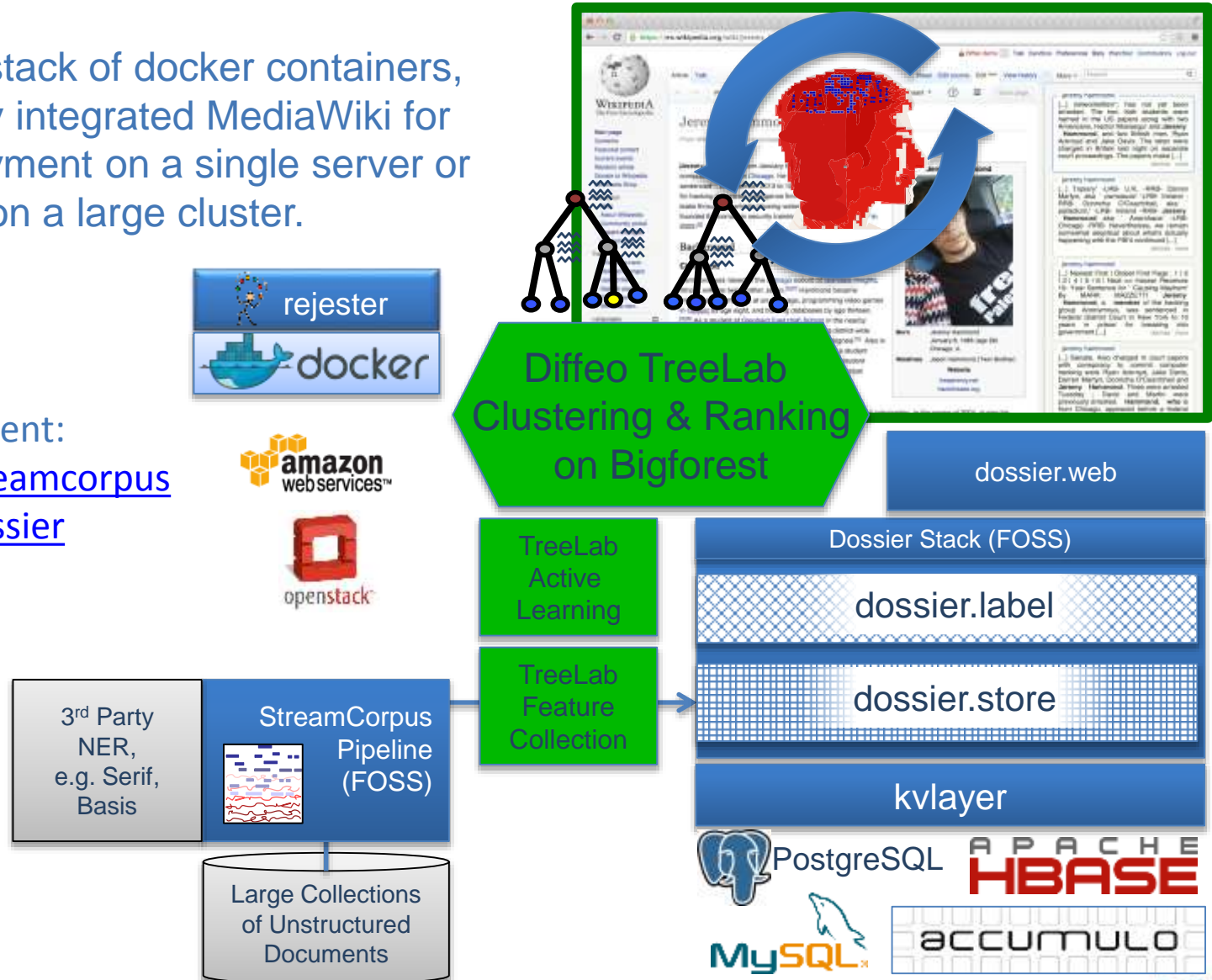
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# Diffeo: Built for Clouds

Diffeo ships a stack of docker containers, including a fully integrated MediaWiki for turn-key deployment on a single server or customization on a large cluster.

FOSS development:  
[github.com/streamcorpus](https://github.com/streamcorpus)  
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**User Experience for  
Machine-Assisted  
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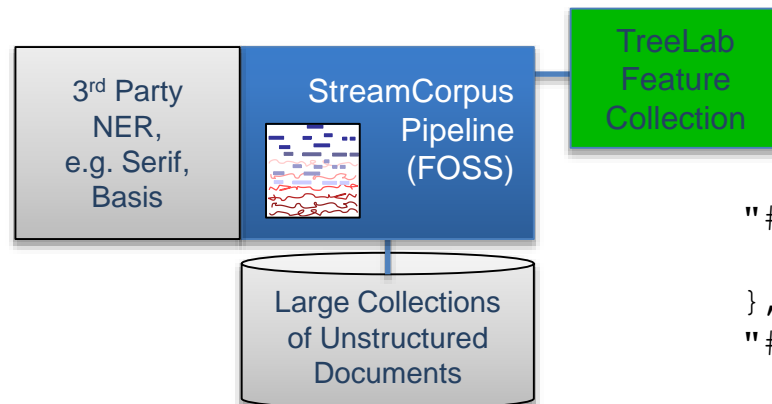
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**Natural Language  
Processing Pipelines  
and Feature Vectors**

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# Natural Language

The **Syrian Electronic Army** (SEA) is a group of computer hackers who support the government of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad. Using spamming,[2] defacement, malware (including the Blackworm tool),[3] phishing, and denial of service attacks, it mainly targets political opposition groups and western websites including news organizations and human rights groups. The Syrian Electronic Army is the first public, virtual army in the Arab world to openly launch cyber attacks on its opponents.[4]



# Feature Vectors

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  "falsely": 1,
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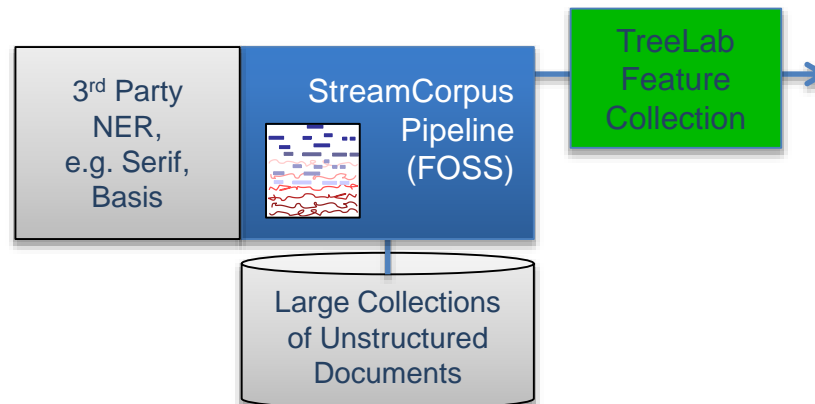
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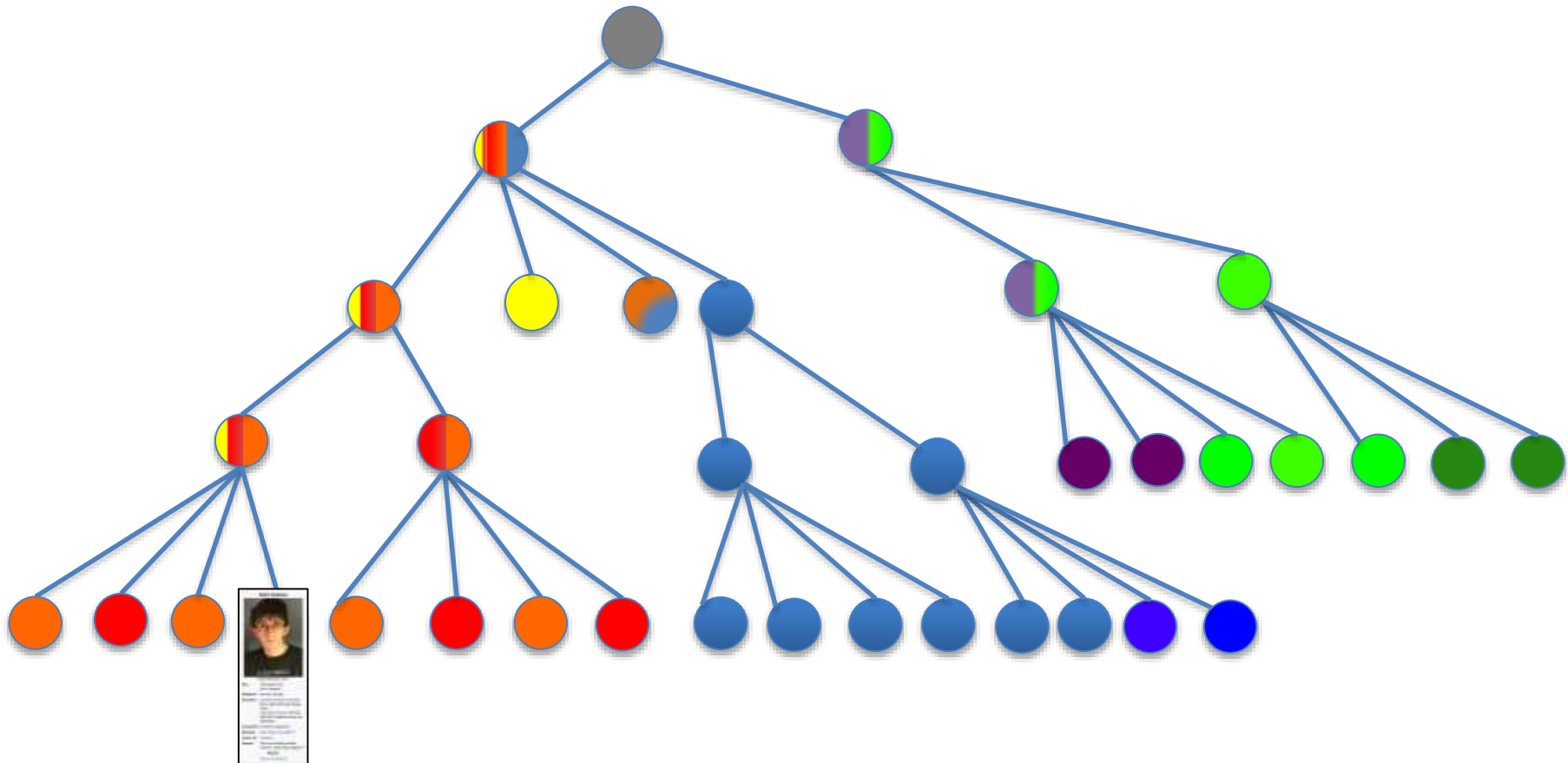
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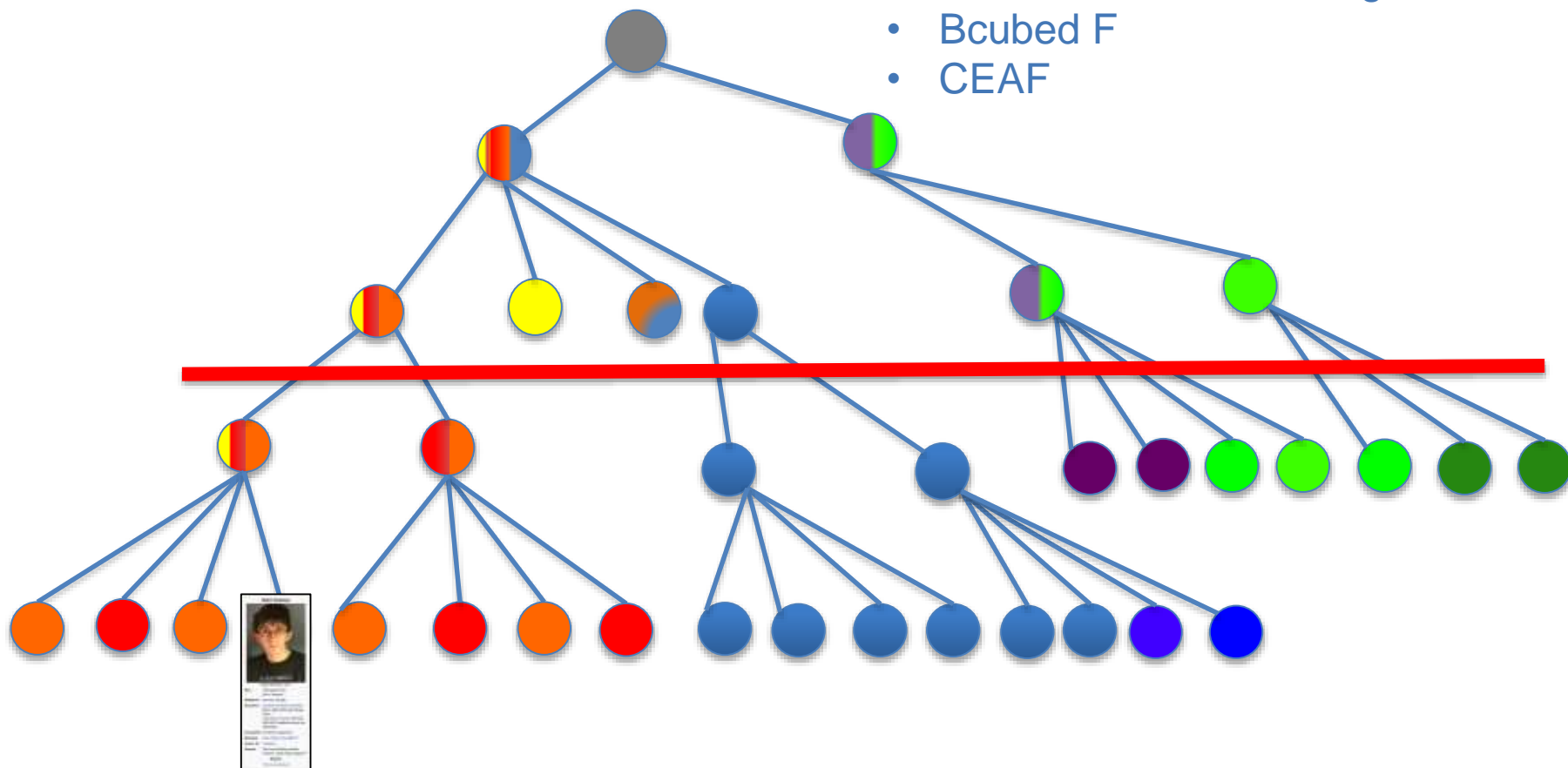


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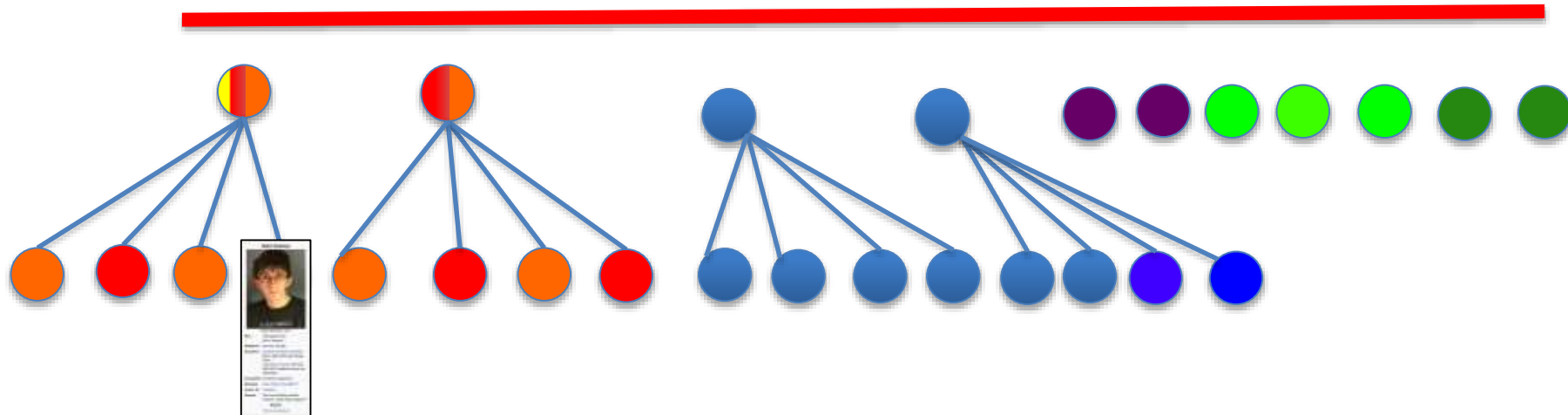


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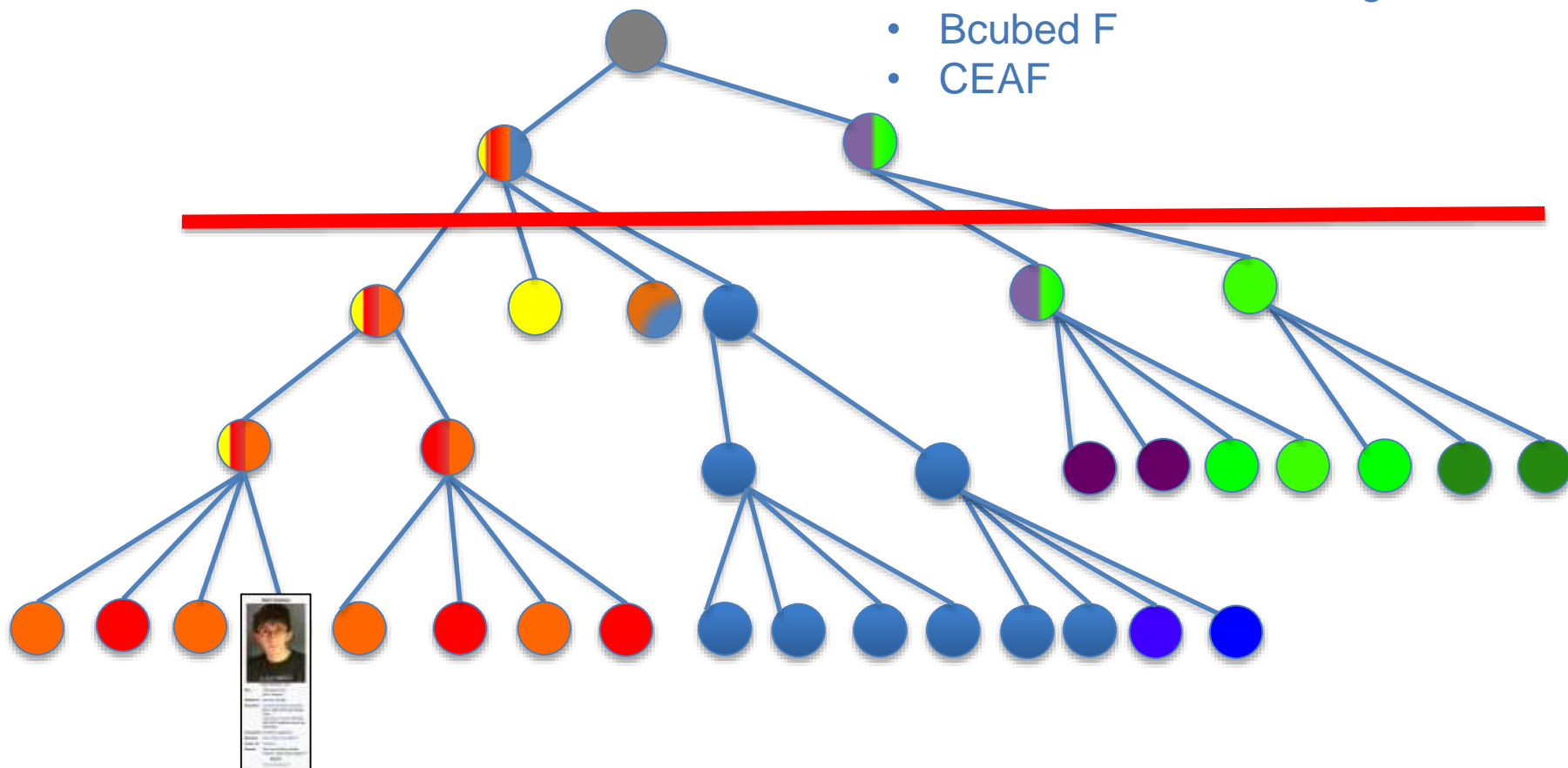


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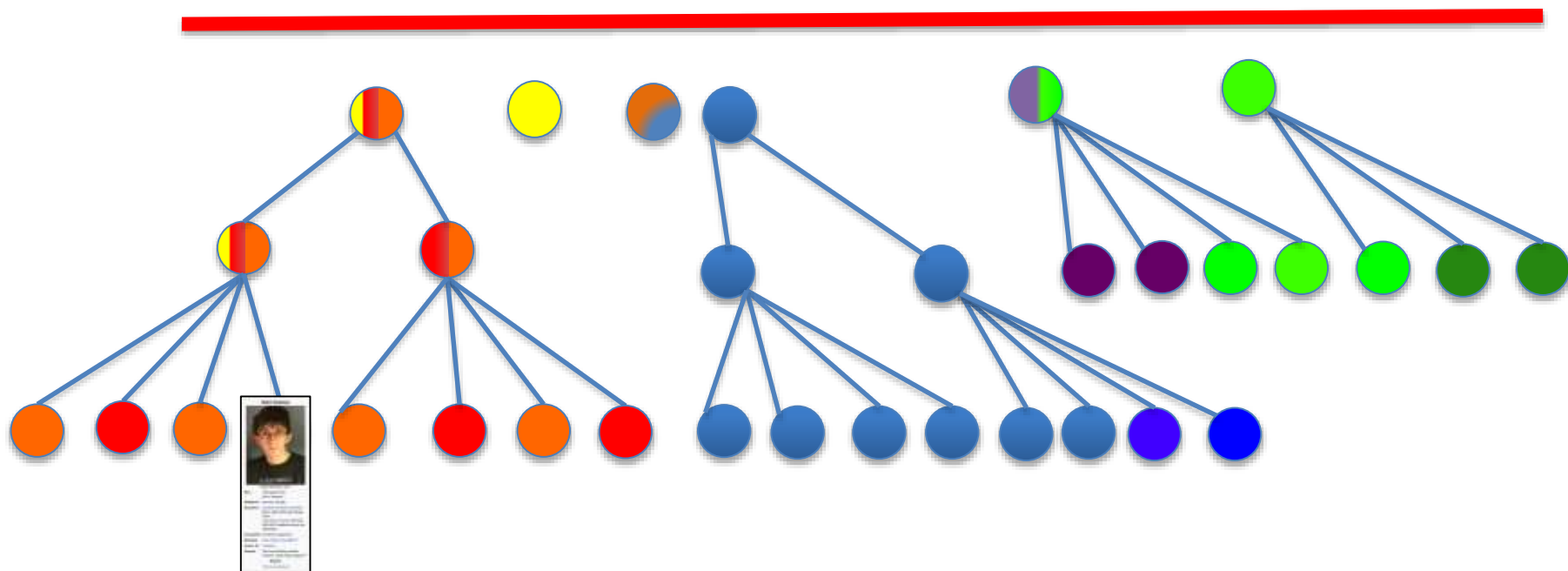


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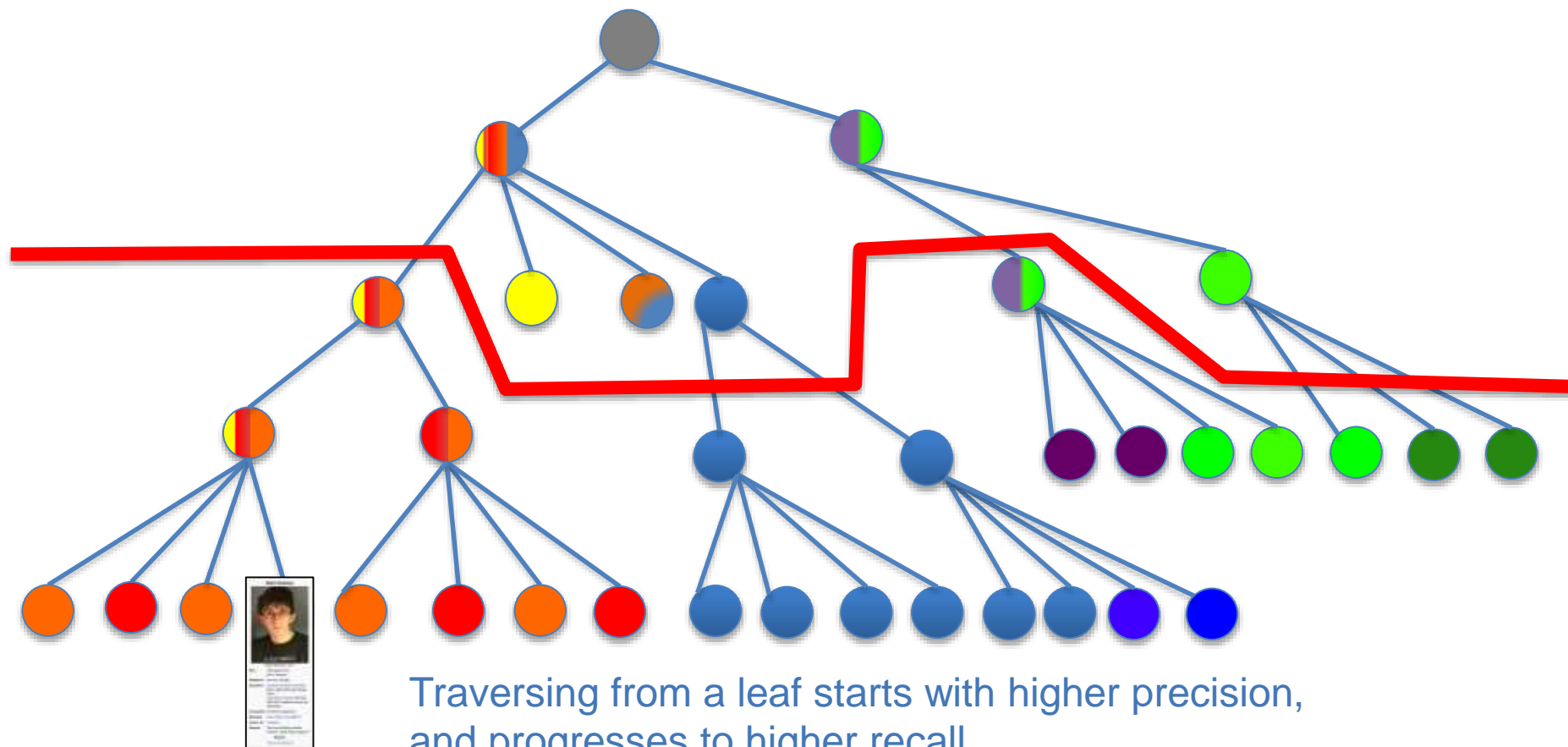
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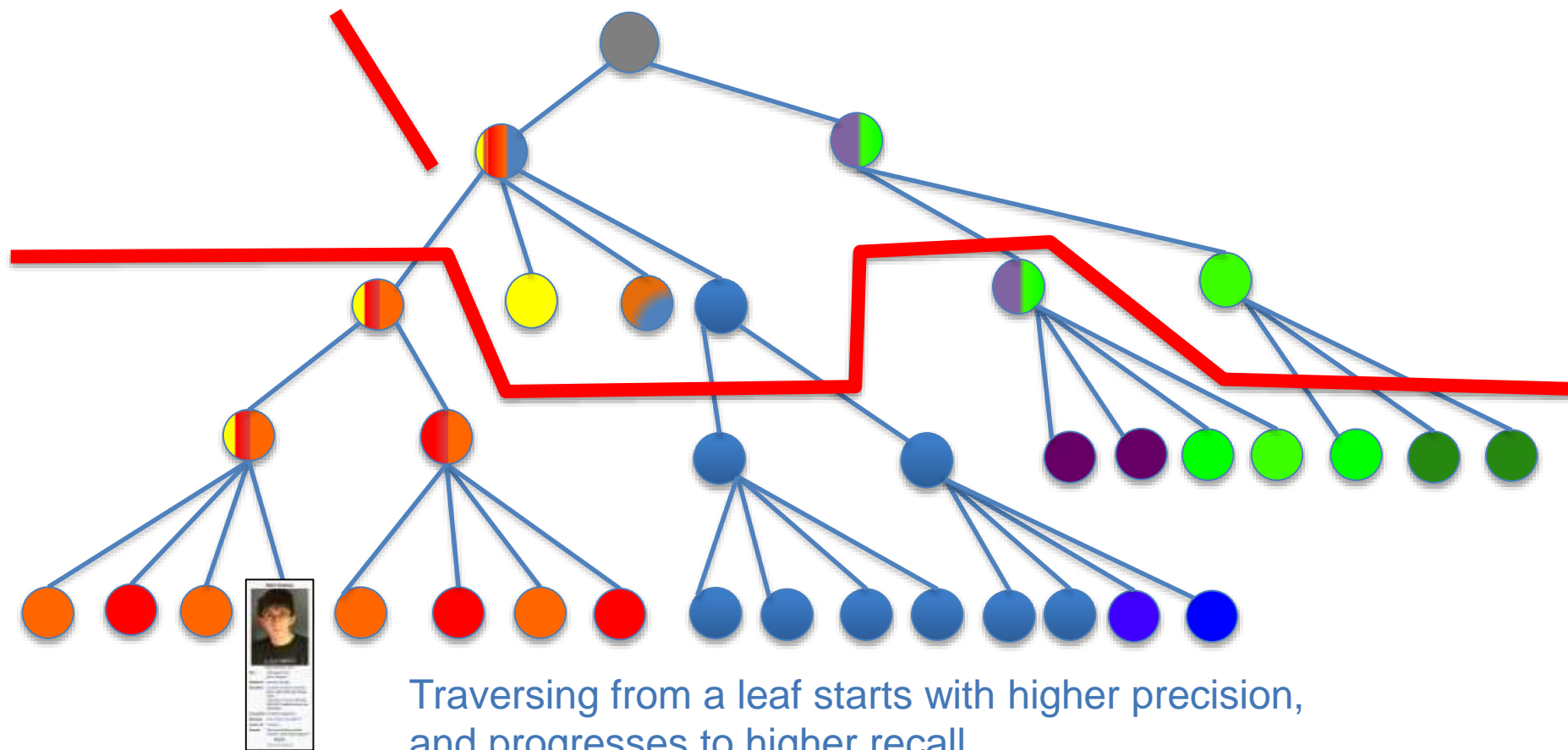
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# Ranking models

→ just different



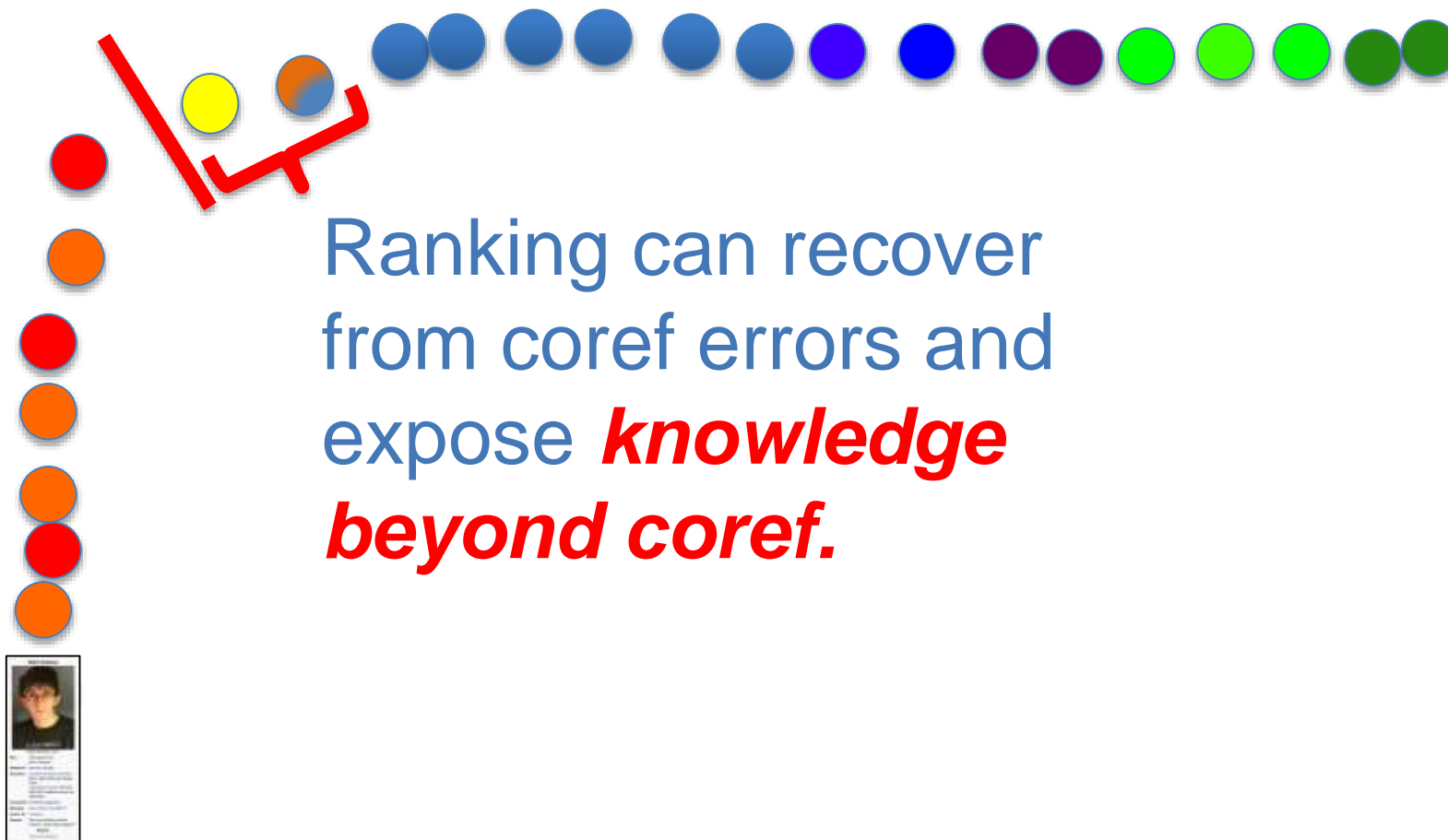
Traversing from a leaf starts with higher precision, and progresses to higher recall.





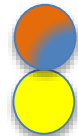
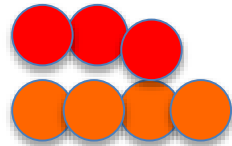
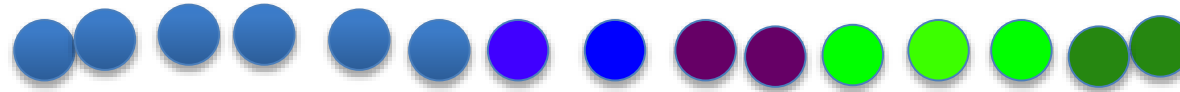
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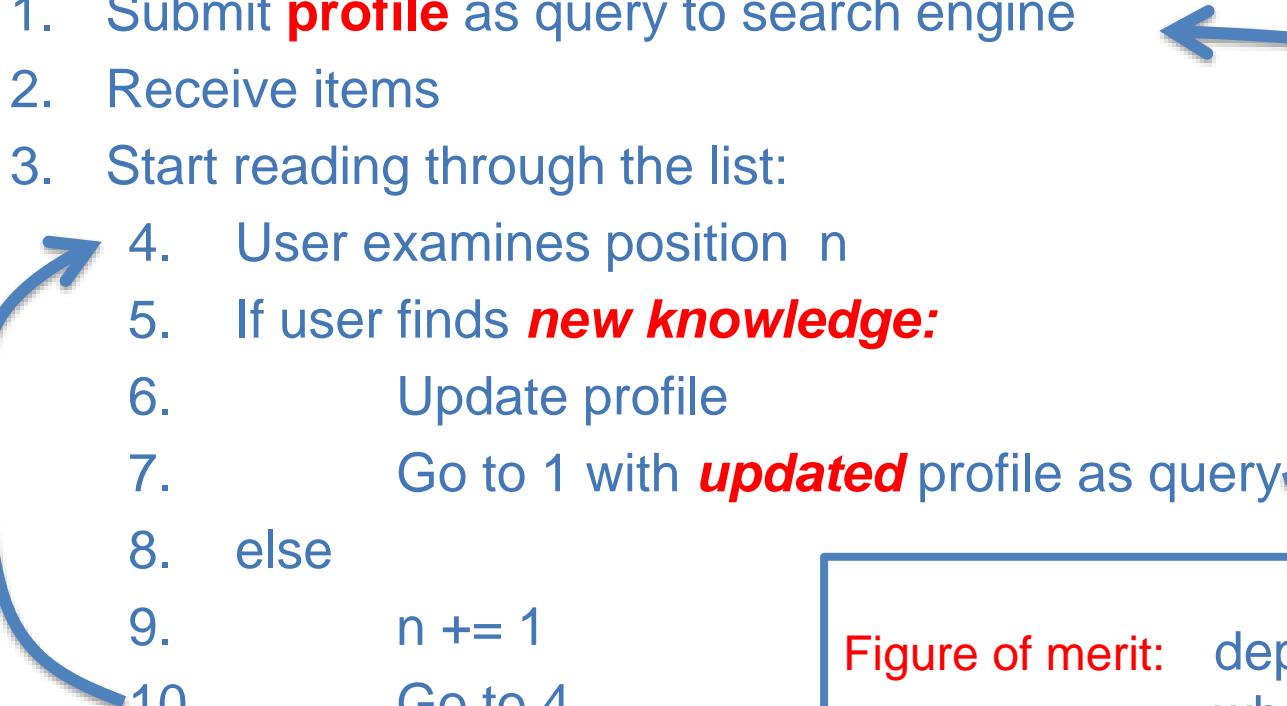
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Ranking can recover  
from coref errors and  
expose *knowledge  
beyond coref.*

# Measurement Methodologies

## Unexpected Expected Reciprocal Rank u-ERR

1. Submit **profile** as query to search engine
  2. Receive items
  3. Start reading through the list:
    4. User examines position  $n$
    5. If user finds **new knowledge**:
    6.       Update profile
    7.       Go to 1 with **updated** profile as query
    8. else
    9.        $n += 1$
    10.      Go to 4
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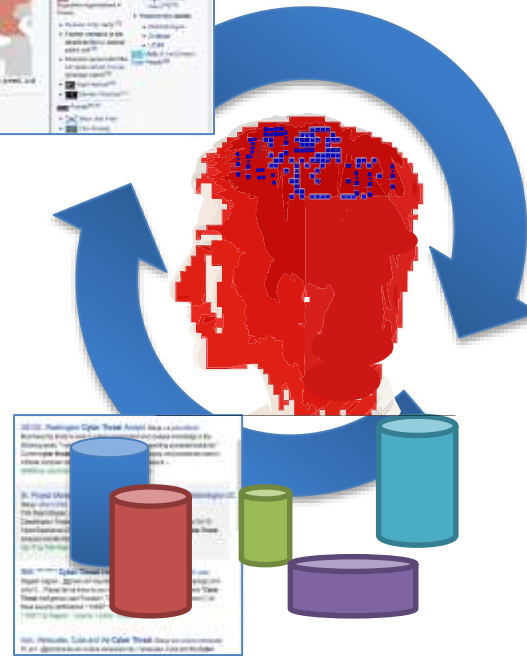
**Figure of merit:** depth in the list where user discovers new knowledge

$$u\text{-ERR} = 1 / (\text{expected list position of surprise})$$

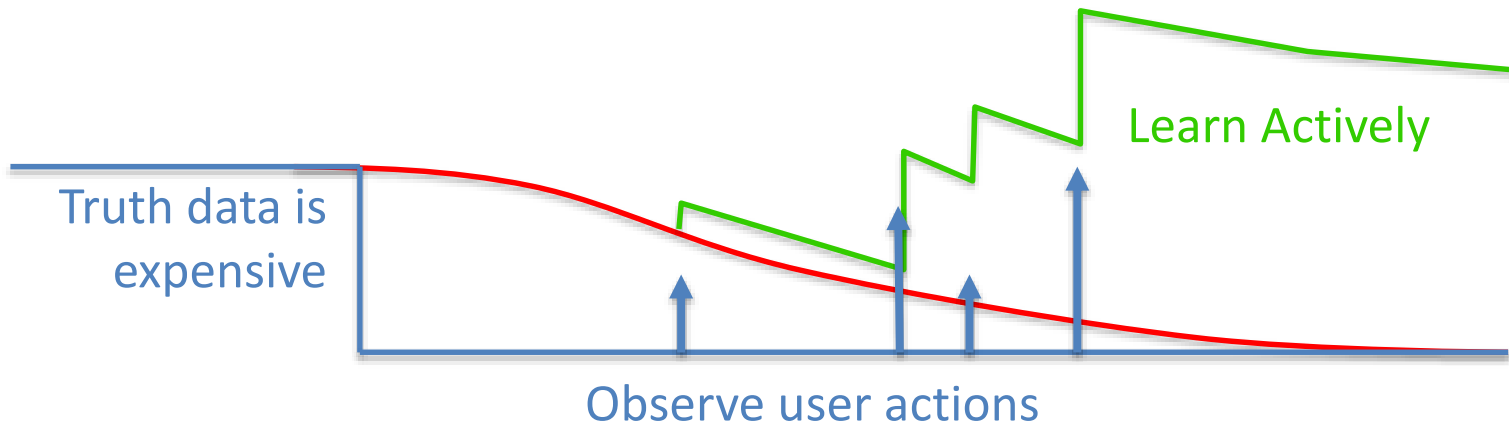
Entity profiles  
act as queries for  
retrieval algorithms



Retrieval results  
suggest updates  
to the profile



User interactions  
steer the system  
beyond coref to  
find surprises



# Thank you!

# diffeo

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