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Learning to Match

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Talk Outline

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 - Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing
 - Query Generation Using Log Linear Model
 - Query Rewriting Using Conditional Random Fields

Introduction to Web Search

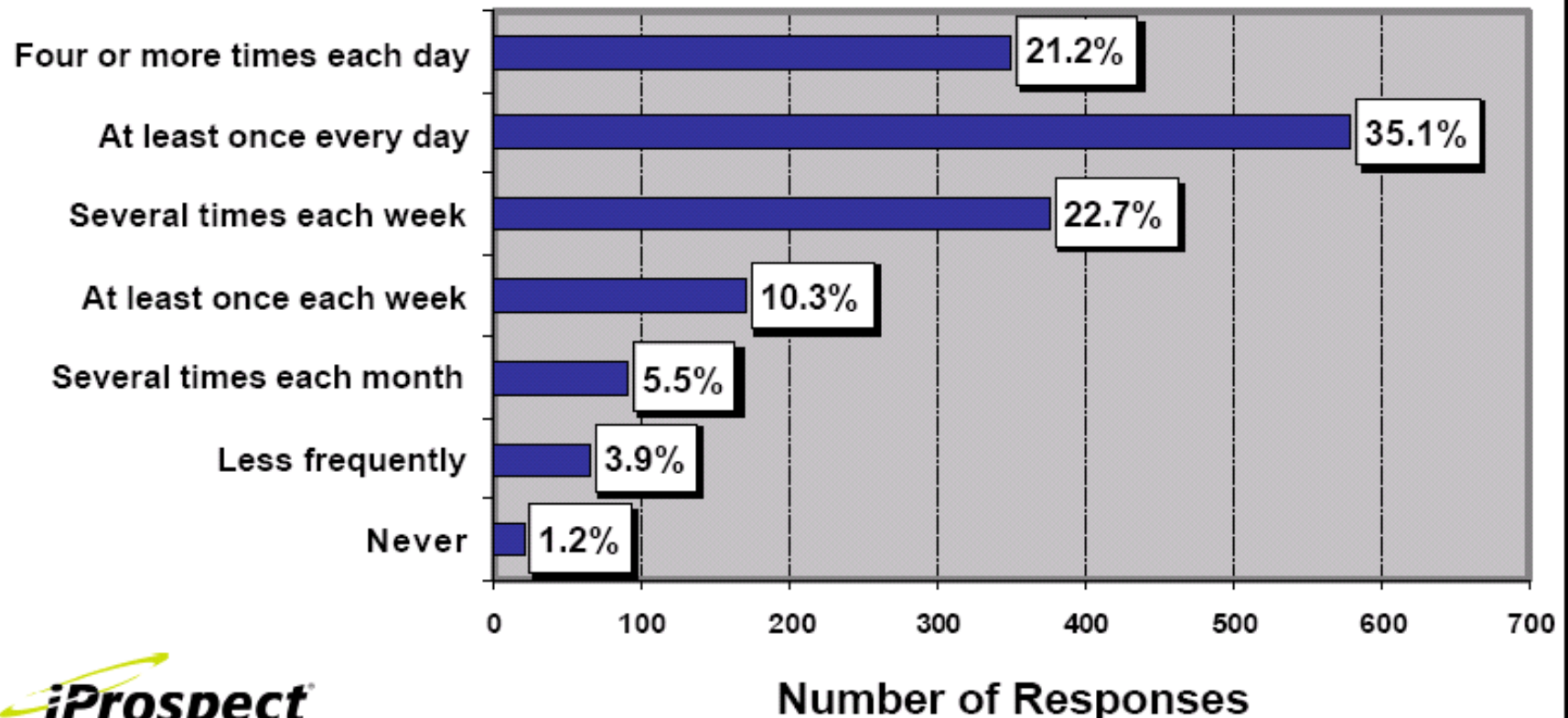
Web Search is Part of Our Life



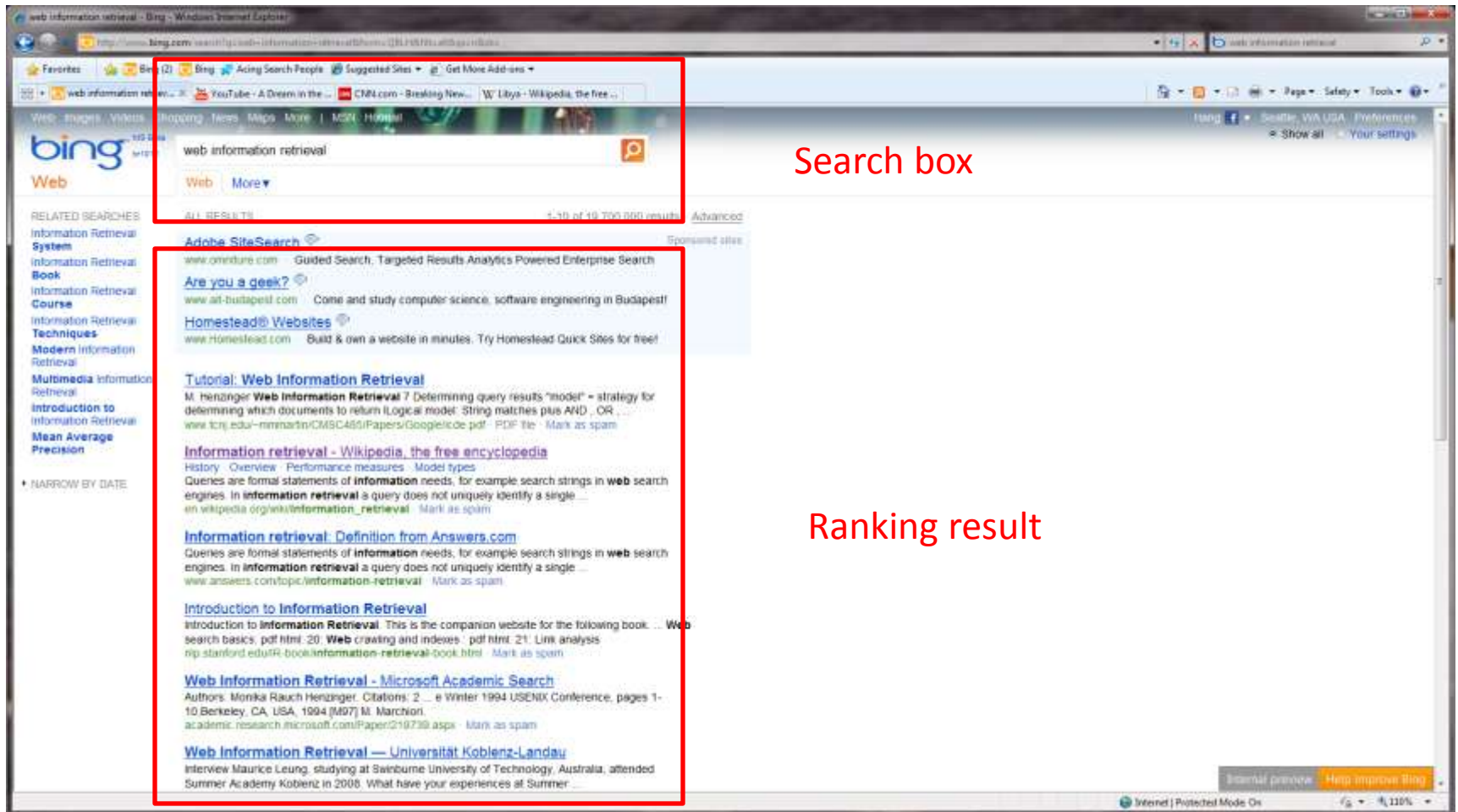
Web Users Heavily Rely on Search Engines

<http://www.iprospect.com/premiumPDFs/iProspectSurveyComplete.pdf>

How often do you use search engines on the Internet?



Simple UI



Huge Data Center



Goal of Web Search

| Effectiveness | Efficient | Easy to Use |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Results are relevant | Response time is short | Good presentation |
| Results are comprehensive | Results are novel | Friendly user interface |

Overview of Web Search Technologies

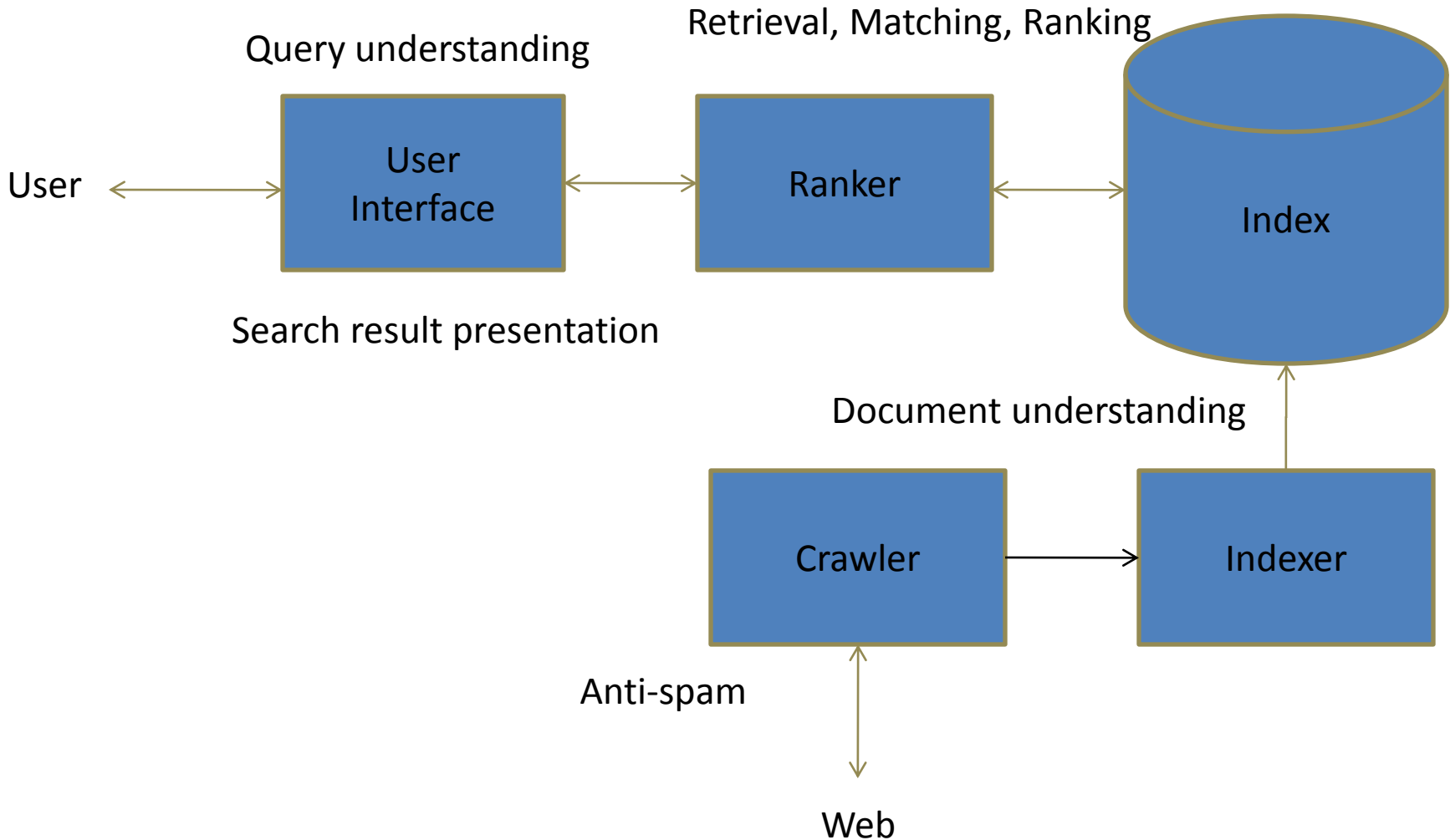
Overview of Web Search Technologies

General Web Search, Entity Search, Facet Search,
Question Answering, Image Search

Ranking, Matching, Retrieval
Document Understanding, Query Understanding,
Crawling, Indexing, Result Presentation,
Anti-Spam

Classification, Clustering, Ranking,
Graph Learning, Tagging, Distributed Computing

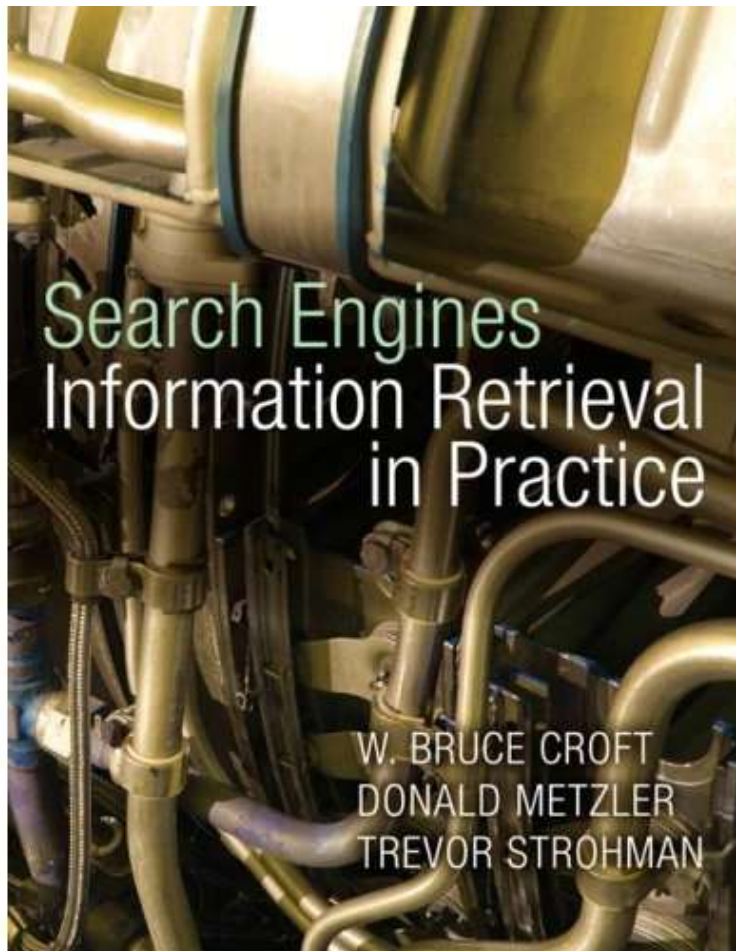
Example of Web Search Architecture



Component Technologies for Web IR

- Relevance Ranking
- Importance Ranking
- Document Understanding
- Query Understanding
- User Understanding
- Crawling
- Indexing
- Search Result Presentation
- Anti-Spam
- Search Log Data Mining

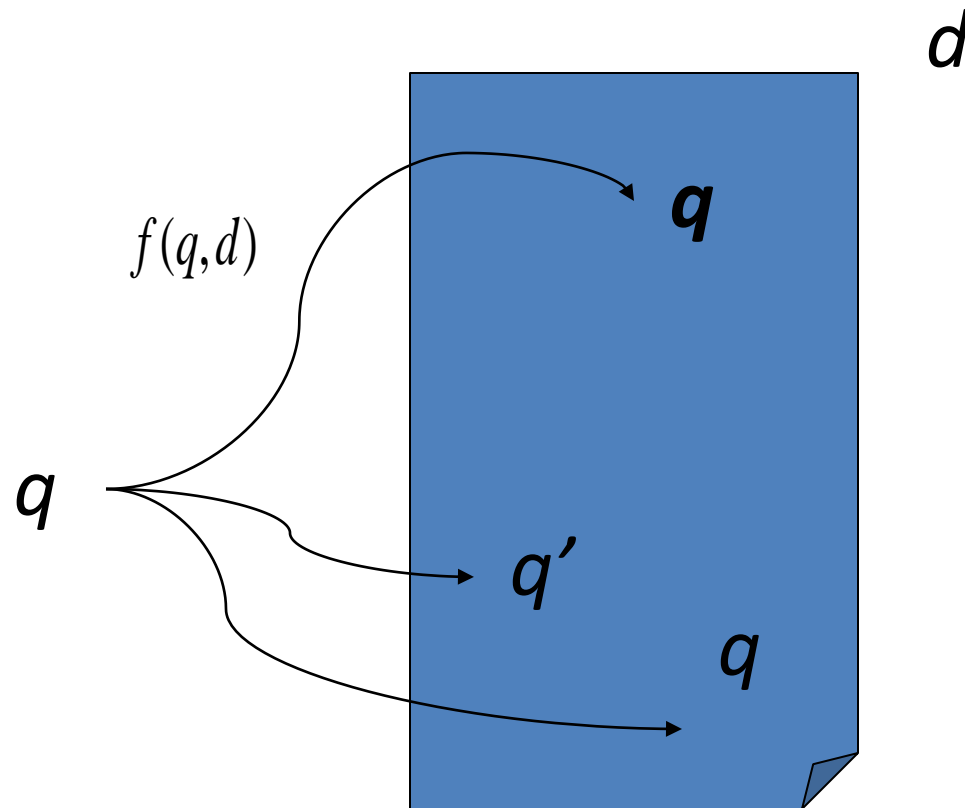
Book by Croft et al.



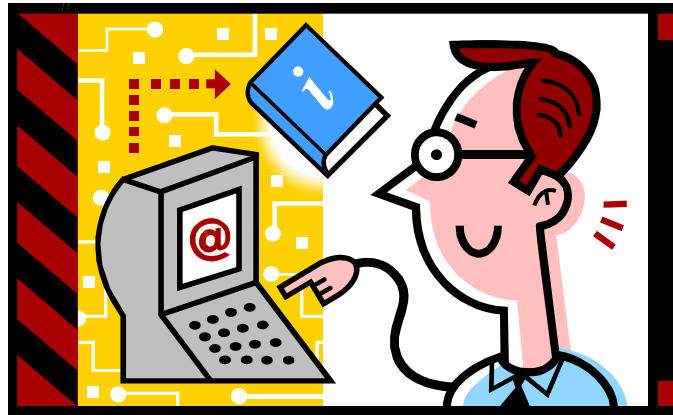
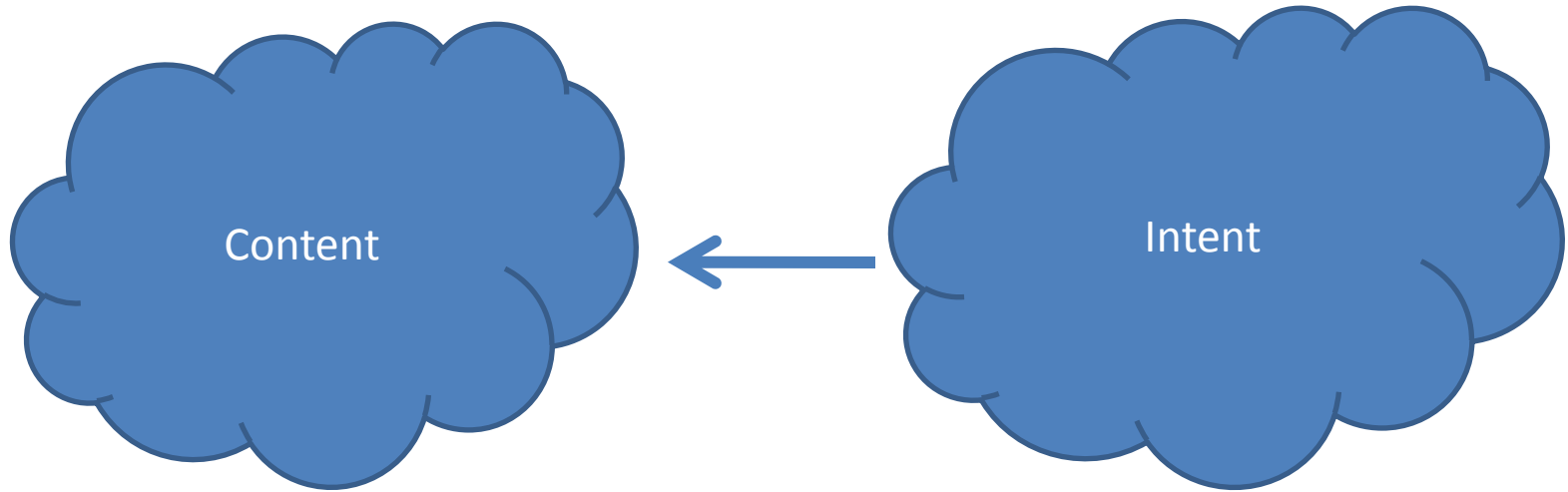
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Relevance Model (Matching Model)

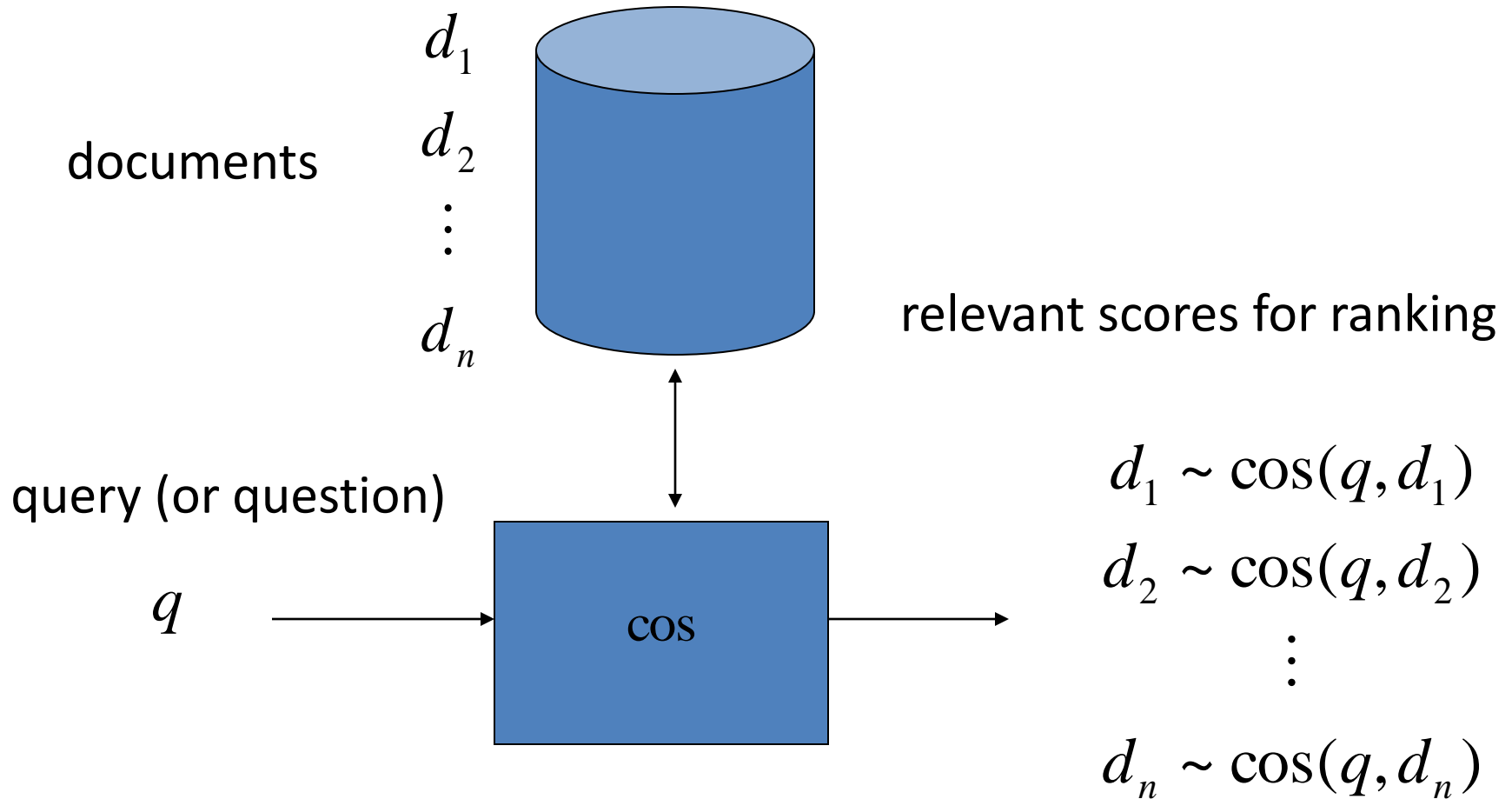
Matching between Query and Document



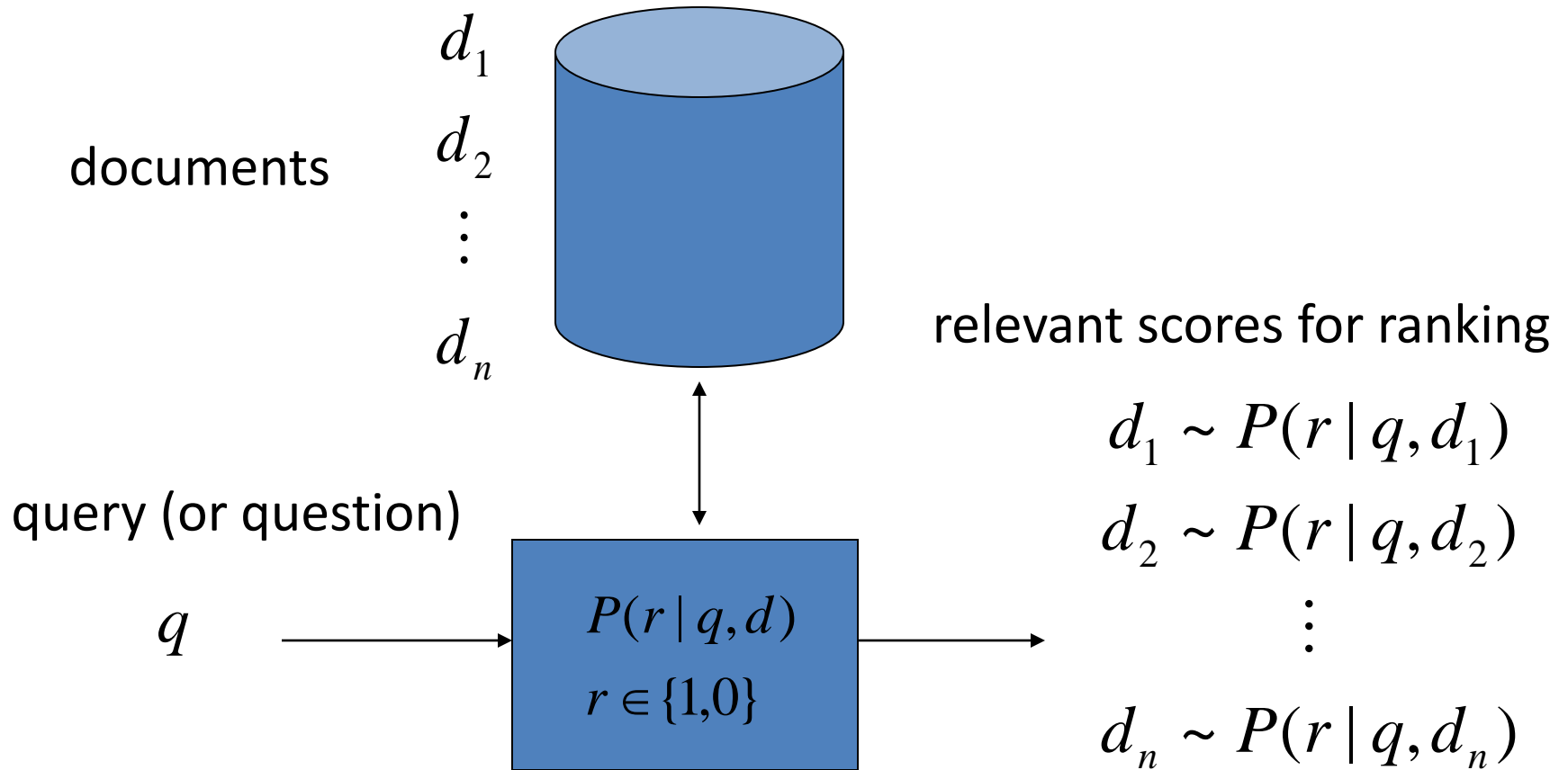
Matching between Two Worlds



Vector Space Model (Salton 1975)

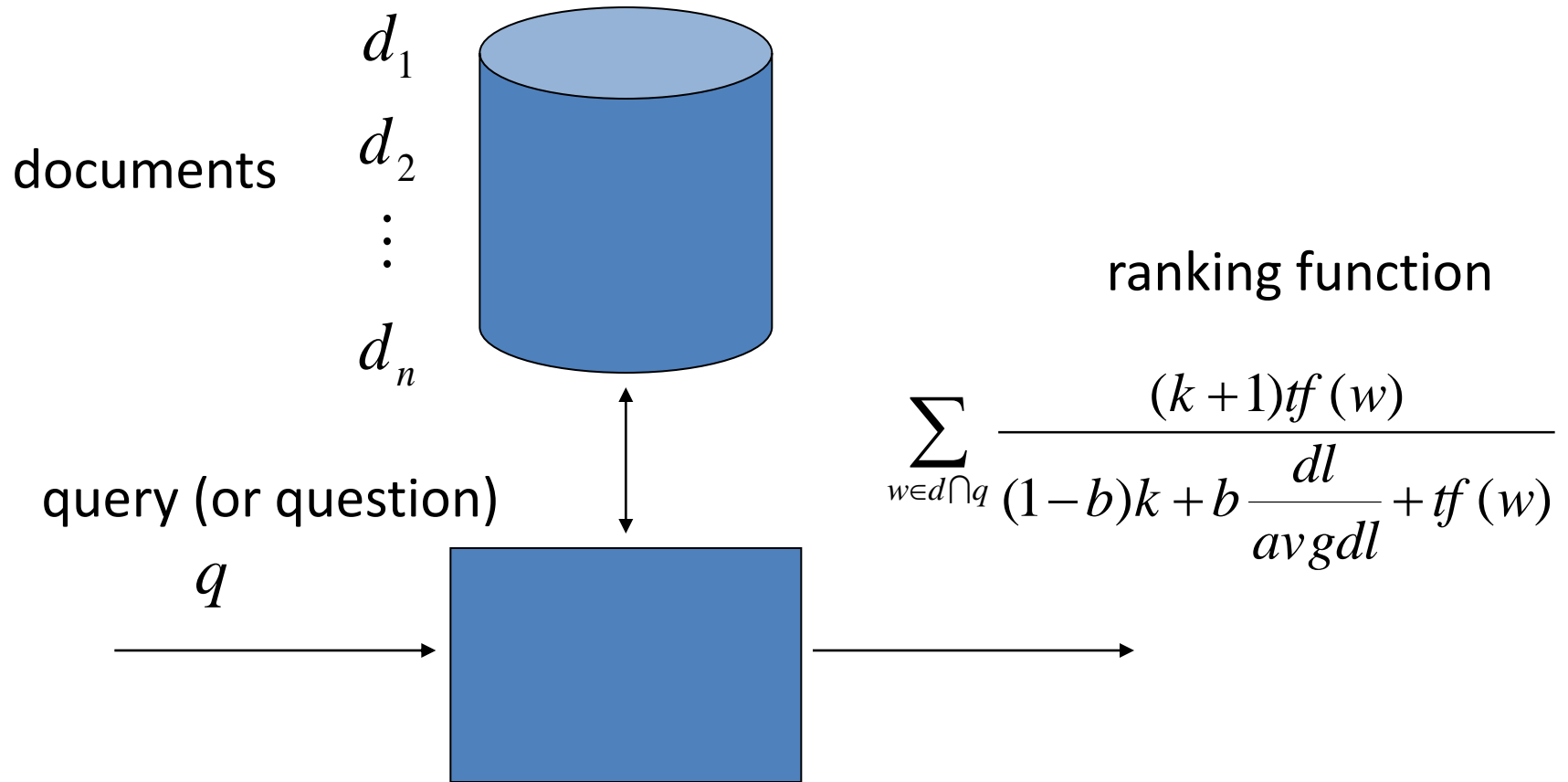


Probabilistic Model



Okapi or BM25

(Robertson and Walker 1994)



Language Mode

(Ponte and Croft 1998)

document = bag of words

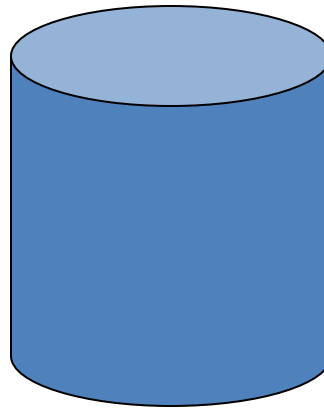
$$d_1 = w_{11}w_{12} \cdots w_{1l_1}$$

$$d_2 = w_{21}w_{22} \cdots w_{2l_2}$$

\vdots

$$d_n = w_{n1}w_{n2} \cdots w_{nl_n}$$

$$q = w_{q1}w_{q2} \cdots w_{ql_q}$$



relevance scores for ranking

$$d_1 \sim P(q | d_1)$$

$$d_2 \sim P(q | d_2)$$

\vdots

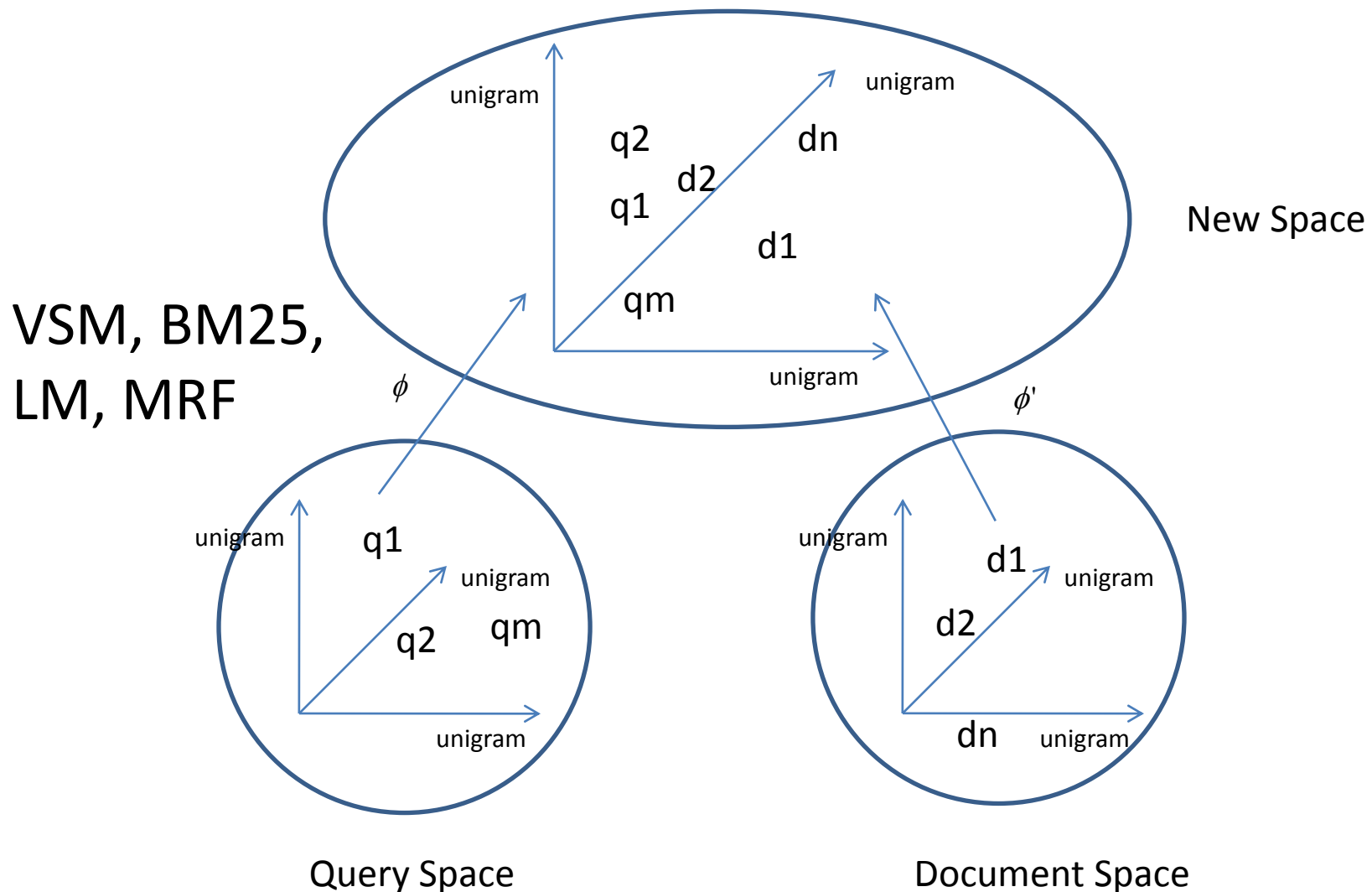
$$d_n \sim P(q | d_n)$$



Relevance Model as Similarity Function

Jun Xu, Hang Li, Chaoling Zhong
AIRS 2010

IR Models as Similarity Functions (Similarity Functions)



IR Models Are Similarity Functions

- VSM

- $BM25(q, d) = \langle \phi_Q^{VSM}(q), \phi_D^{VSM}(d) \rangle$, for all $w \in V$
 $\phi_Q^{VSM}(q)_w = tfidf(w, q)$ and $\phi_D^{VSM}(d)_w = tfidf(w, d)$

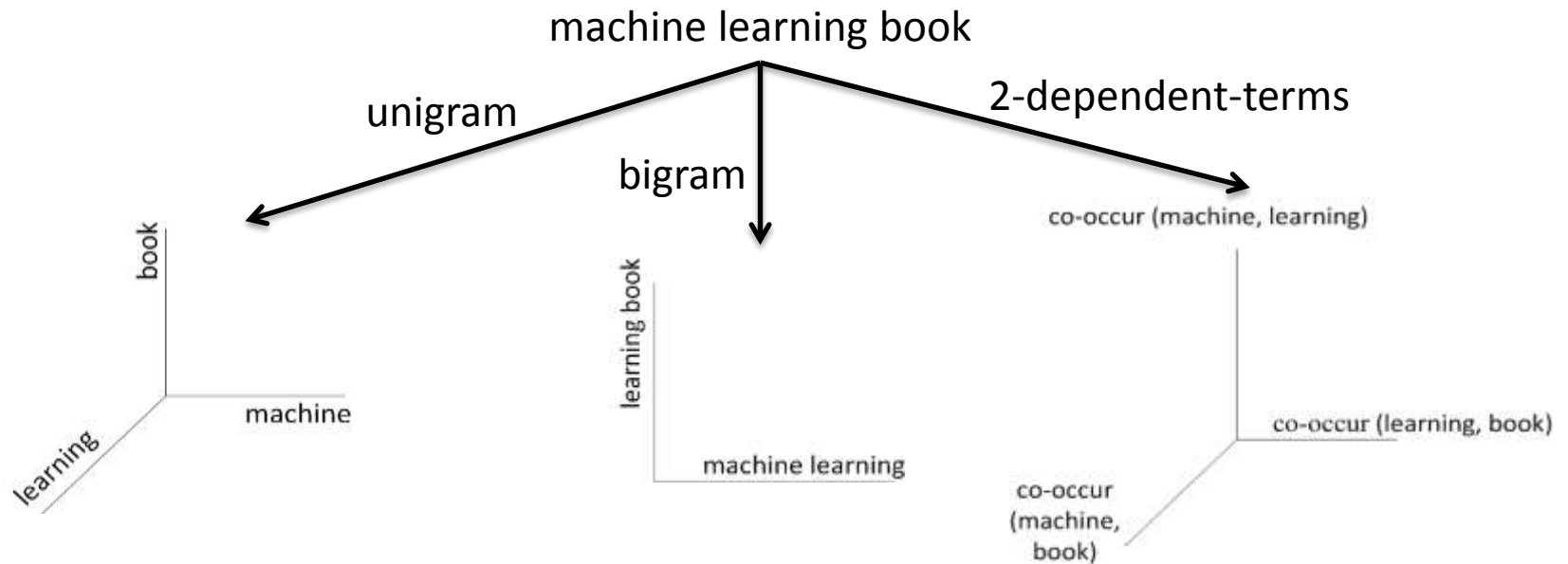
- BM25

- $BM25(q, d) = \langle \phi_Q^{BM25}(q), \phi_D^{BM25}(d) \rangle$, for all $w \in V$
 $\phi_Q^{BM25}(q)_w = \frac{(k_3+1) \times tf(w, q)}{k_3 + tf(w, q)}$
 $\phi_D^{BM25}(d)_w = IDF(w) \cdot \frac{(k_1+1) \times tf(w, d)}{k_1 \left(1 - b + b \cdot \frac{len(d)}{avgDocLen} \right) + tf(w, d)}$

- LMIR

- $LMIR(q, d) = \langle \phi_Q^{LMIR}(q), \phi_D^{LMIR}(d) \rangle + len(q) \cdot \log \frac{\mu}{len(d) + \mu}$, for all $w \in V$
 $\phi_Q^{LMIR}(q)_w = tf(w, q)$
 $\phi_D^{LMIR}(d)_w = \log \left(1 + \frac{tf(w, d)}{\mu \cdot P(w)} \right)$, where $P(w)$ plays similar role as IDF in BM25

Relevance beyond Unigram



Extension of IR models

- BM25

- $BM25(q, d) = \langle \phi_Q^{BM25}(q), \phi_D^{BM25}(d) \rangle$, and for all $w \in V$

$$\phi_Q^{BM25}(q)_w = \frac{(k_3+1) \times tf(w, q)}{k_3 + tf(w, q)}$$

$$\phi_D^{BM25}(d)_w = IDF(t) \cdot \frac{(k_1+1) \times tf(w, d)}{k_1 \left(1 - b + b \cdot \frac{len(d)}{avgDocLen} \right) + tf(w, d)}$$

- BM25_Kernel

- $BM25_Kernel(q, d) = \sum_t BM25_Kernel_t(q, d)$ where t is dependence type

- $BM25_Kernel_t(q, d) = \langle \phi_{Q,t}^{BM25}(q), \phi_{D,t}^{BM25}(d) \rangle$, and for all $x \in V_t$

$$\phi_{Q,t}^{BM25}(q)_x = \frac{(k_3+1) \times f_t(x, q)}{k_3 + f_t(x, q)}$$

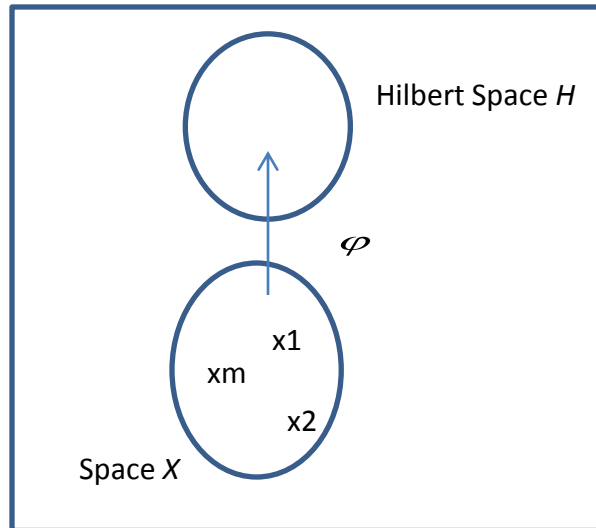
$$\phi_{D,t}^{BM25}(d)_x = IDF_t(x) \cdot \frac{(k_1+1) \times f_t(x, d)}{k_1 \left(1 - b + b \cdot \frac{f_t(d)}{avgDocLen_t} \right) + f_t(x, d)}$$

Similarity Function

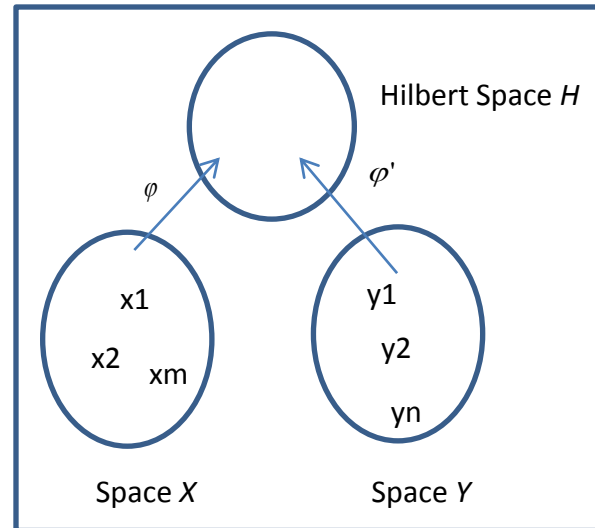
- Kernel $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 - Definition: $k(x, x') = \langle \phi(x), \phi(x') \rangle$, where $\phi: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$
 - Given k_1 and k_2 are kernels, create new kernels:
 αk , where $\alpha \geq 0$; $k_1 + k_2$; $k_1 \cdot k_2$
- Similarity function: $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 - Definition: $k(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi'(y) \rangle$, where $\phi: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ and $\phi': \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$
 - Given k_1 and k_2 are similarity functions, create new similarity functions:
 αk , where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$; $k_1 + k_2$; $k_1 \cdot k_2$

Kernel vs Similarity Function

$$k(x, x') = \langle \phi(x), \phi(x') \rangle$$



$$k(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi'(y) \rangle$$



Query Document Mismatch

Same Search Intent Different Query Representations

Example = “Distance between Sun and Earth”

- "how far" earth sun
- "how far" sun
- "how far" sun earth
- average distance earth sun
- average distance from earth to sun
- average distance from the earth to the sun
- distance between earth & sun
- distance between earth and sun
- distance between earth and the sun
- distance from earth to the sun
- distance from sun to earth
- distance from sun to the earth
- distance from the earth to the sun
- distance from the sun to earth
- distance from the sun to the earth
- distance of earth from sun
- distance between earth sun
- how far away is the sun from earth
- how far away is the sun from the earth
- how far earth from sun
- how far earth is from the sun
- how far from earth is the sun
- how far from earth to sun
- how far from the earth to the sun
- distance between sun and earth

Same Search Intent, Different Query Representations

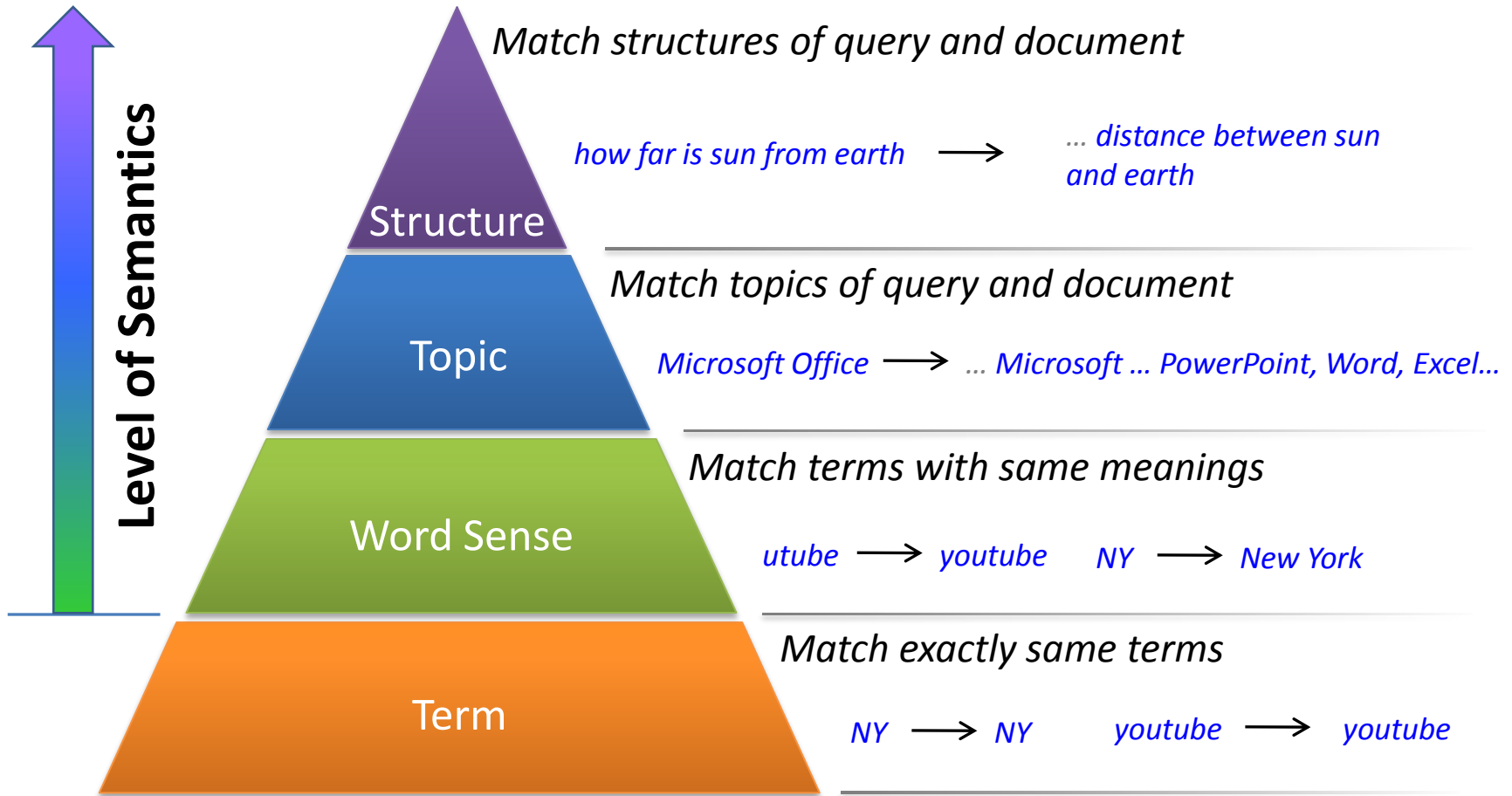
Example = “Youtube”

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|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| • yutube | yuotube | yuo tube |
| • ytube | youtubr | yu tube |
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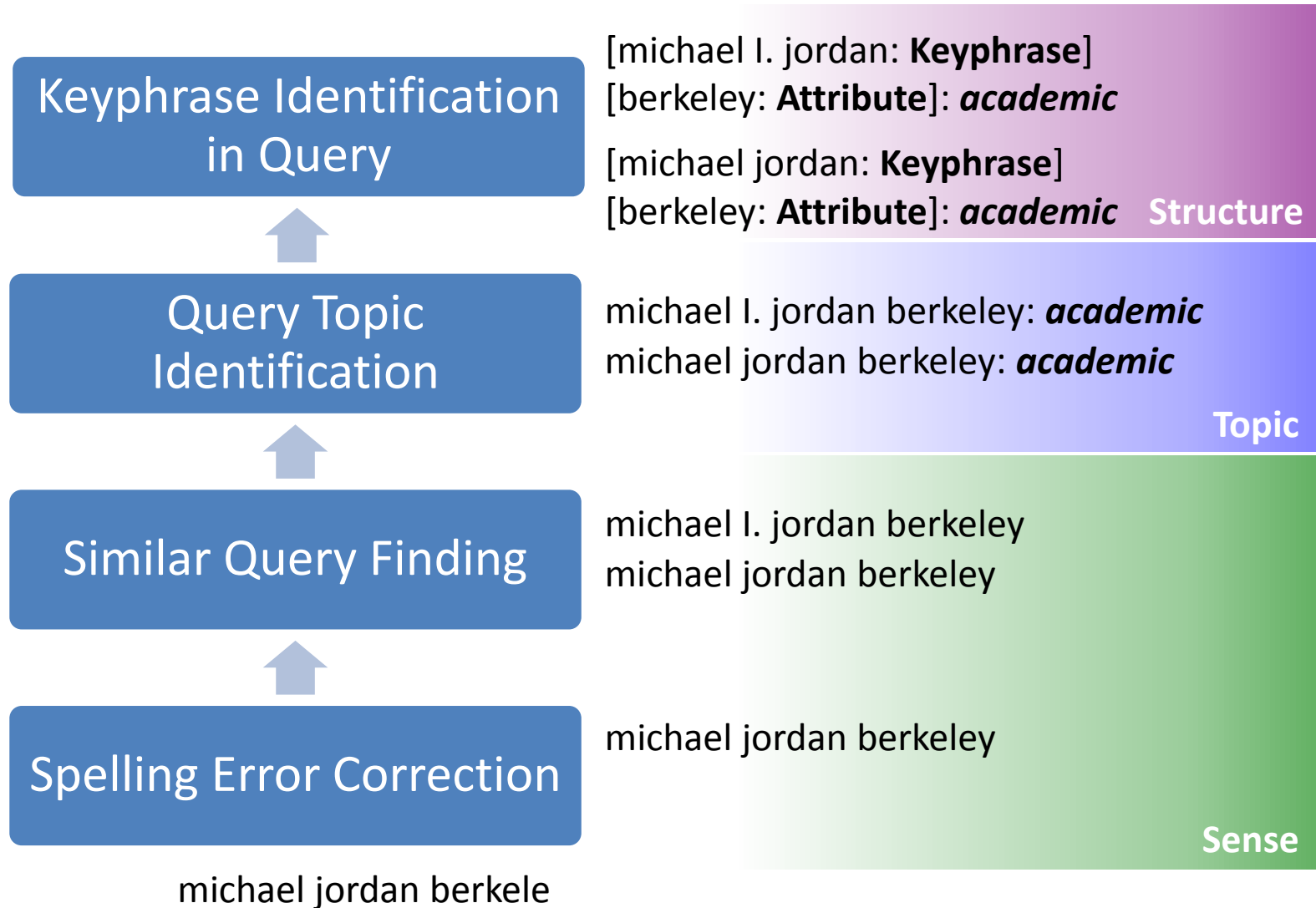
Examples of Term Mismatch

- **Query → Document**
- swimming pool schedule = pool schedule
- seattle best hotel = seattle best hotels
- natural logarithm transformation = logarithm transformation
- china kong ≠ china hong kong
- why are windows so expensive ≠ why are macs so expensive

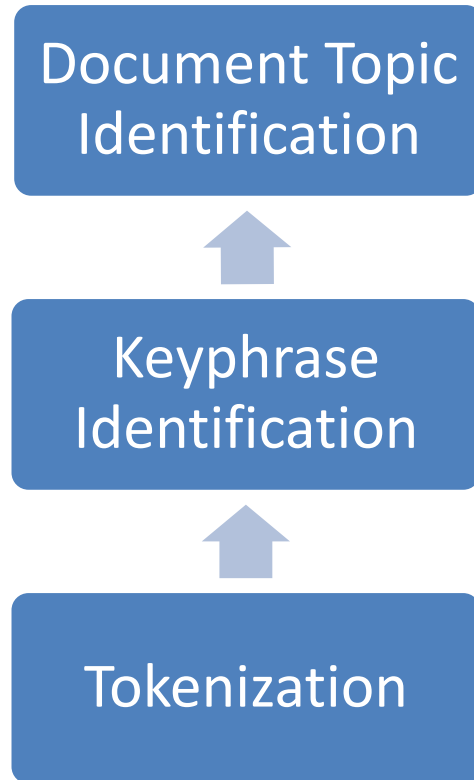
Different Levels of Semantic Matching



Query Understanding (Online)



Document Understanding (Offline)



*Michael Jordan is Professor in the
Department of Electrical Engineering*

[Michael Jordan/M. Jordan] is **[Professor]**
in the **[Department/Dept.]** of
[Electrical Engineering/EE]: academic

Topic

[Michael Jordan/M. Jordan: Keyphrase] is
[Professor] in the **[Department/Dept.]** of
[Electrical Engineering/EE]

Structure

[Michael Jordan] is **[Professor]** in the
[Department] of **[Electrical Engineering]**

Term

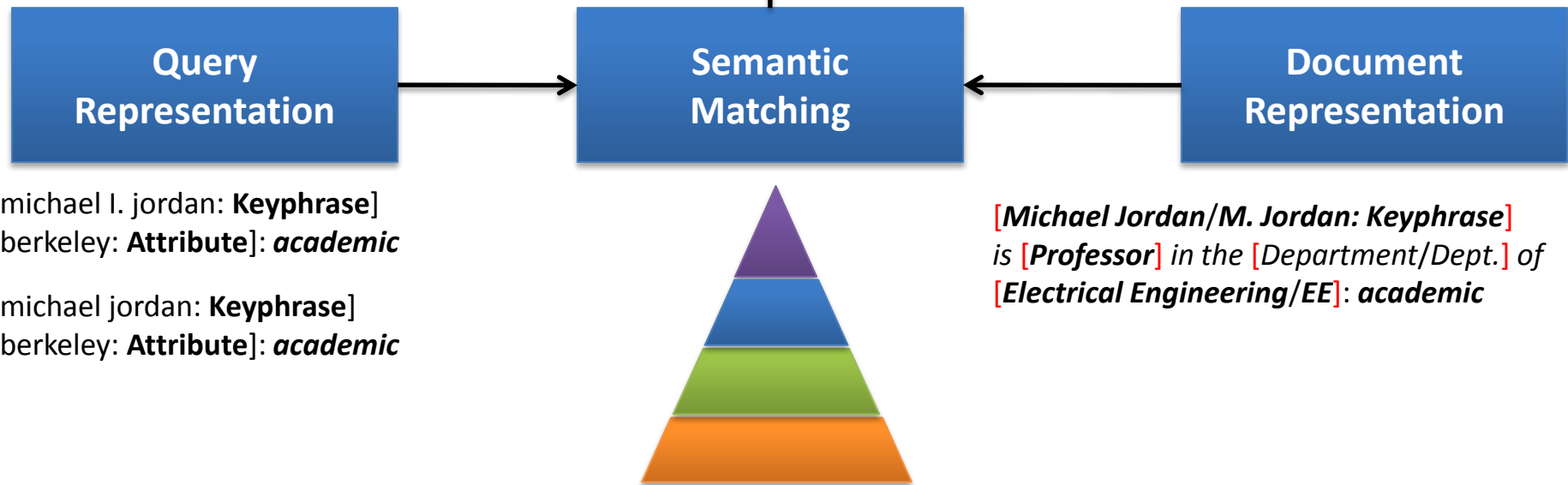
Online Semantic Matching

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Models of visuomotor and other learning (Univ. of California, Berkeley, USA)
[www.cs.berkeley.edu/~jordan](#) - Cached page - Mark as spam

[Michael Jordan | EECS at UC Berkeley](#)
Michael Jordan Professor Research Areas Artificial Intelligence (AI) Biosystems & Computational Biology (BIO) Control, Intelligent Systems, and Robotics (CIR)
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Jordan. In M.-H. Chen, D. Dey, P. Mueller, D. Sun, and K. Ye (Eds.), Frontiers of ...
Technical Report 661, Department of Statistics, University of California, Berkeley, 2004.
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Ranking Results

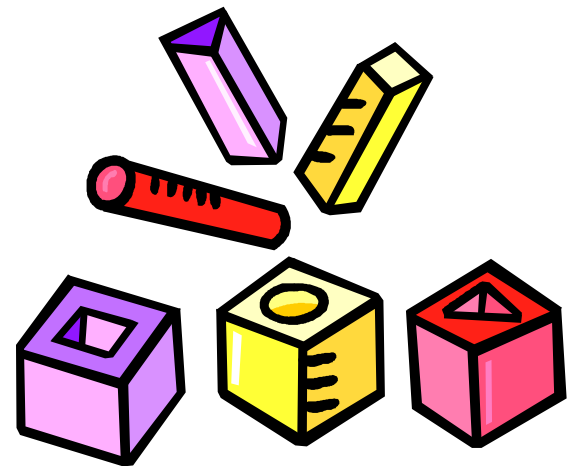


Matching can be conducted at different levels

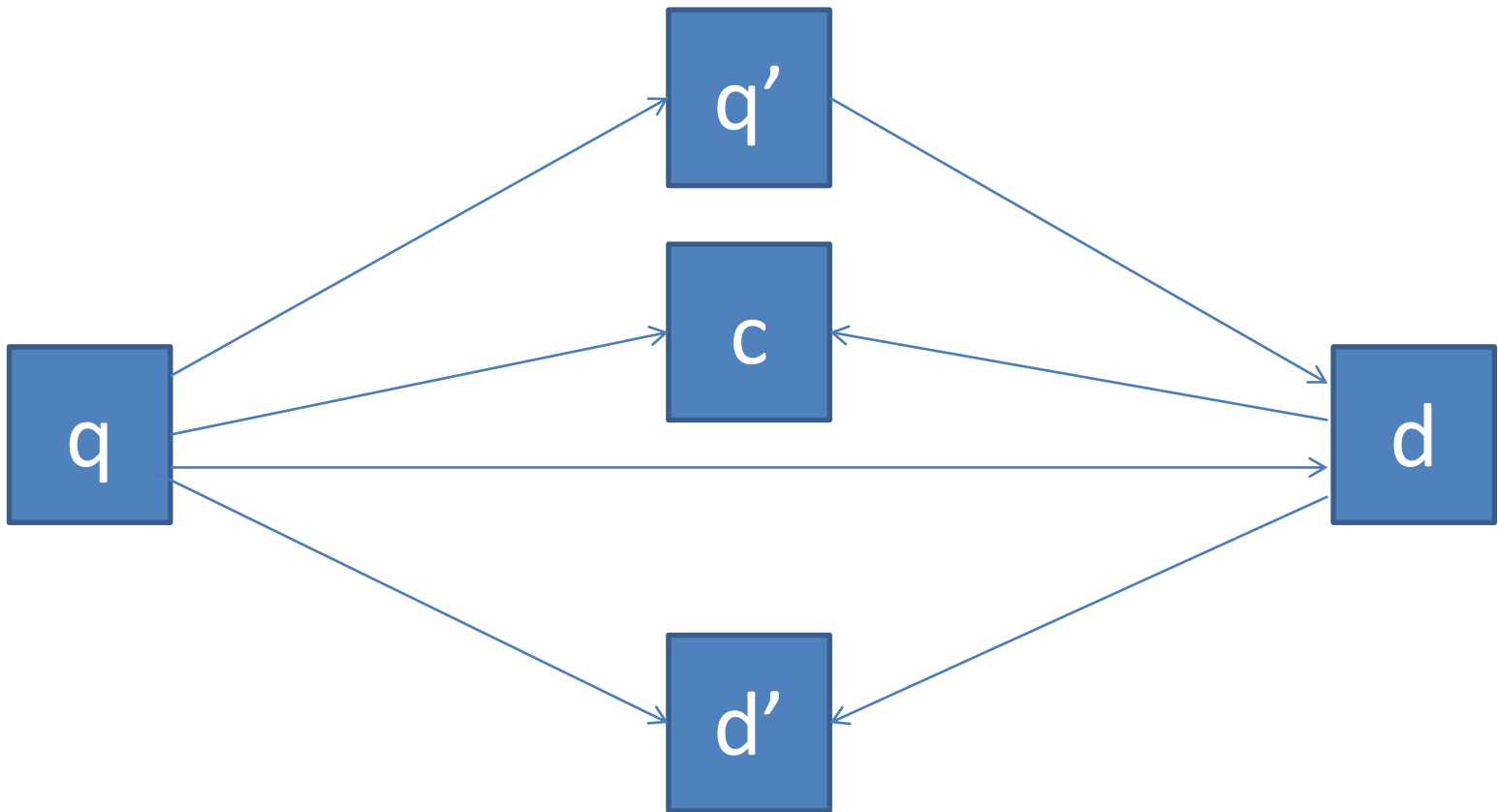
Related Work

- Studied in long history of IR
- Query expansion, pseudo relevance feedback
- Latent Semantic Indexing, Probabilistic Latent Semantic Indexing, Latent Dirichlet Allocation
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Learning to Match



Four Ways to Match



Learning to Match

- Learning matching function

$$f_M(q, d)$$

- Using training data $(q_1, d_1), \dots, (q_N, d_N)$
- *Using prior knowledge or other data M*

Challenges in Matching

- How to incorporate prior knowledge or other data into model
- Scale is very large

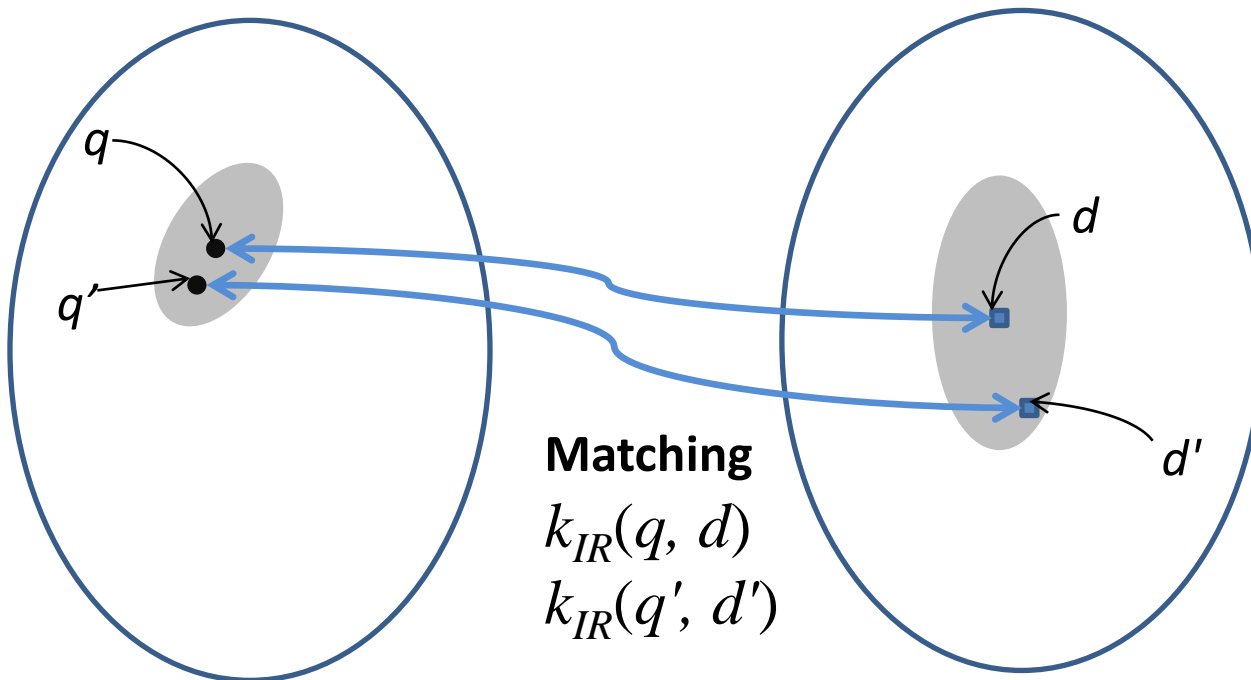
Matching Problem: Matrix Data View

| | d1 | d2 | d3 | | dn |
|----|----|----|----|---|----|
| q1 | | | 1 | | |
| q1 | | | | | 1 |
| q1 | | | | 4 | |
| | | | | | |
| | | 1 | | | 5 |
| qm | | | | | |

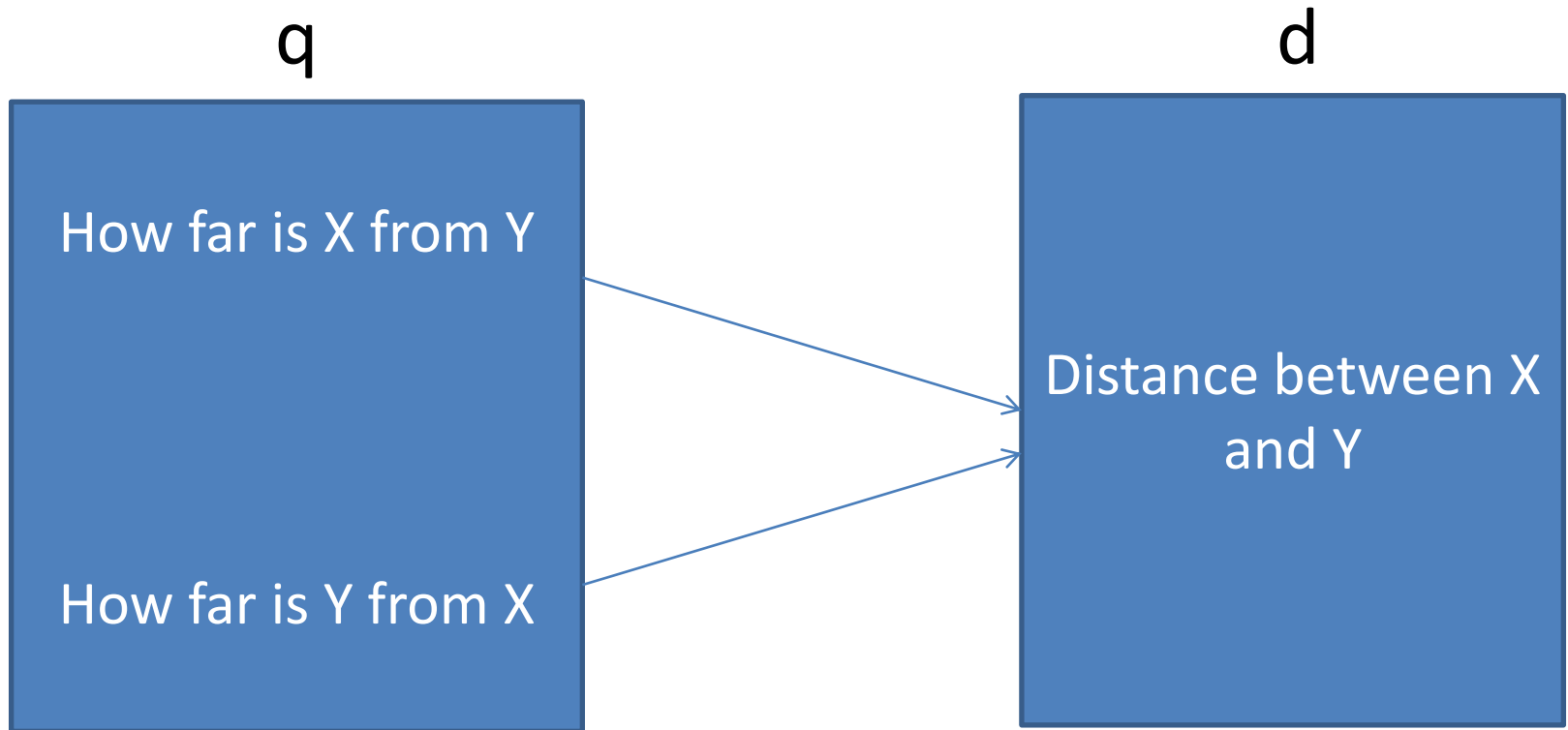
Matching Problem: Space View

Query space

Document space



Matching Problem: String Data View



Examples of Matching Models

- Similarity Learning

$$f_M(q, d) = f(q, d) + \sum_i k_Q(q, q_i) k_D(d, d_i) f(q_i, d_i)$$

- Topic Modeling

$$f_M(q, d) = \sum_k u(q, k) v(k, d)$$

- String Transformation

$$f_M(q, d) = f(q, d) + \sum_i k_T(q, q_i) k_T(d, d_i) f(q_i, d_i)$$

Matching vs Ranking

| | Matching | Ranking |
|---------------|---|---|
| Prediction | Matching score between query and document | List of documents |
| Model | $f(q, d)$ | $f(q, d_1), f(q, d_2), \dots f(q, d_n)$ |
| Loss Function | Single query document pair | List of documents with respect to query |
| Challenge | Mismatch | Correct ranking on top |

Matching between Heterogeneous Data is Everywhere

- Matching between user and product (collaborative filtering)
- Matching between text and image (image annotation)
- Matching between people (dating)
- Matching between languages (machine translation)

Our Methods of Learning to Match

Three Approaches of Learning to Match

- Similarity Learning → Word sense level
- Topic Modeling → Topic level
- String Transformation → Structure level

Summary of Our Technologies

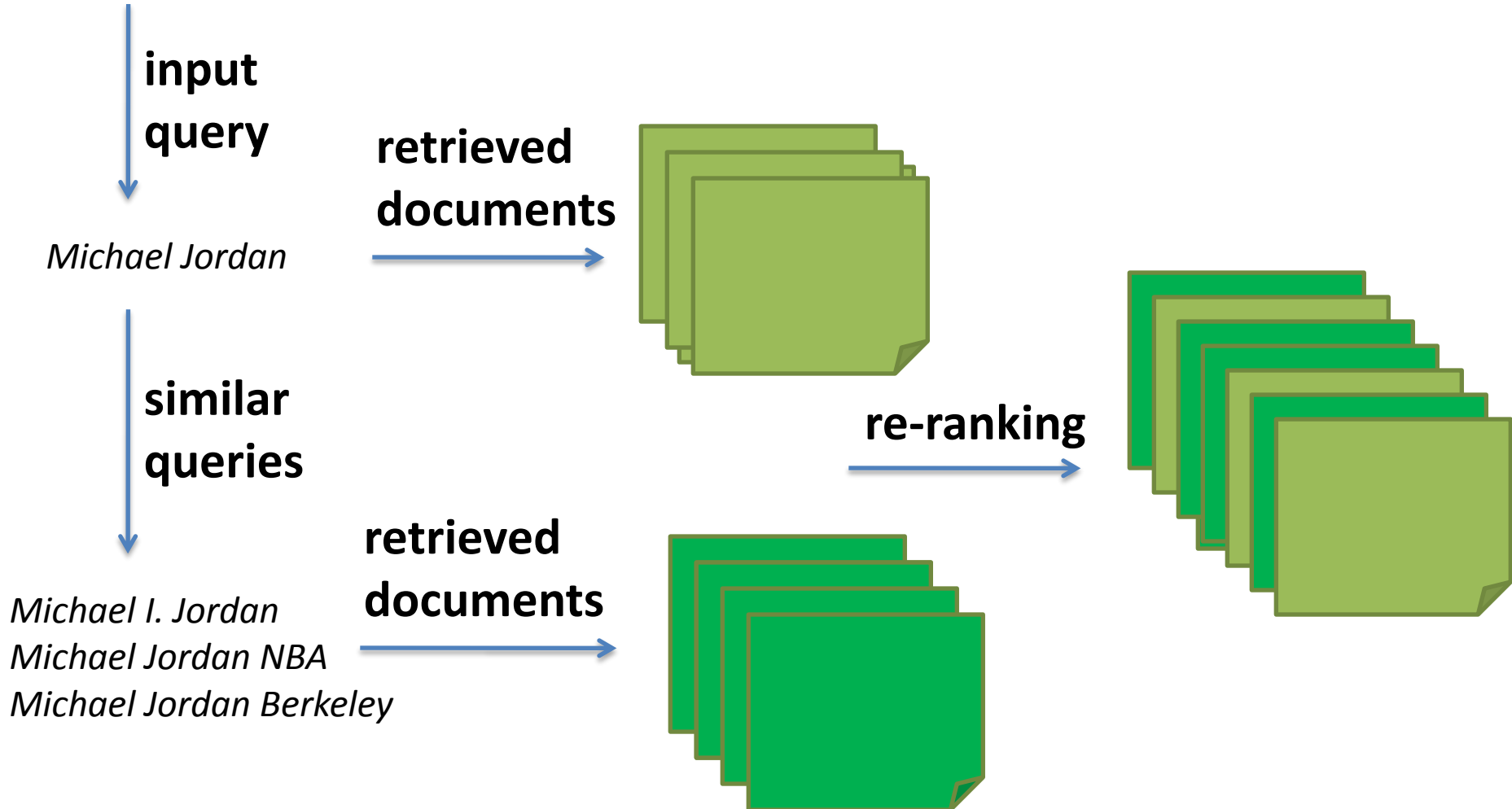
| | Technologies | Current Status |
|----------------|---|---------------------|
| Term matching | Key n-gram learning | ongoing |
| Term matching | Relevance model as similarity function | AIRS'10 best paper |
| Sense matching | Robust relevance model | JMLR, WWW'11 poster |
| Sense matching | Query similarity learning | WSDM'11 |
| Sense matching | CRF model for candidate selection | SIGIR'08 |
| Sense matching | Log linear model for candidate generation | ACL'11 |
| Sense matching | Projection to latent structure | ongoing |
| Topic matching | Scalable and efficient topic modeling | SIGIR'11 |

Robust Similarity Function Learning Using Kernel Methods

Wei Wu, Hang Li, Jun Xu, Satoshi
Oyama, JMLR 2011

Dealing with Mismatch with Re-Ranking

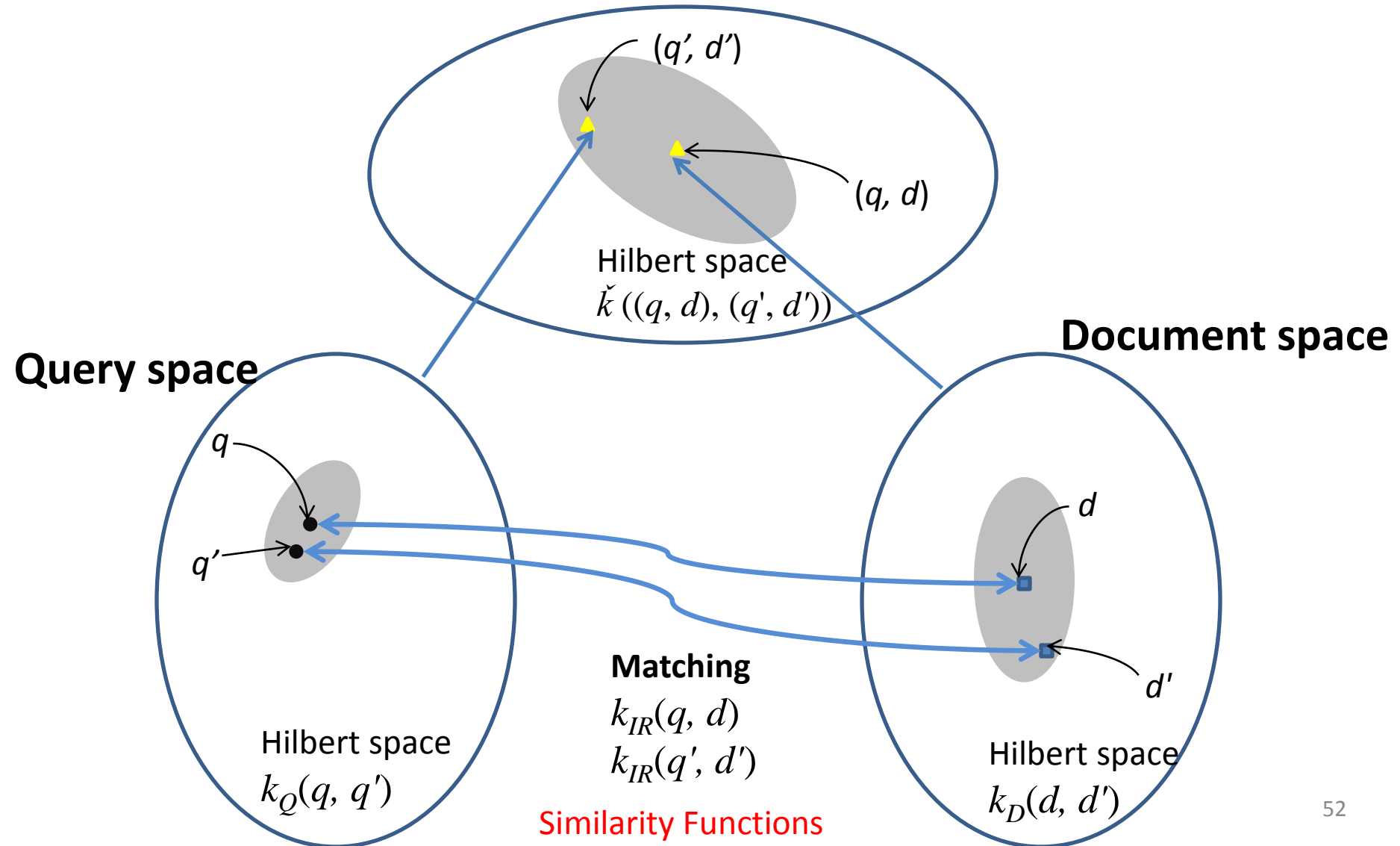
- Our Approach = Online Learning of Kernel Methods



Mapping to Space of Query Document Pairs

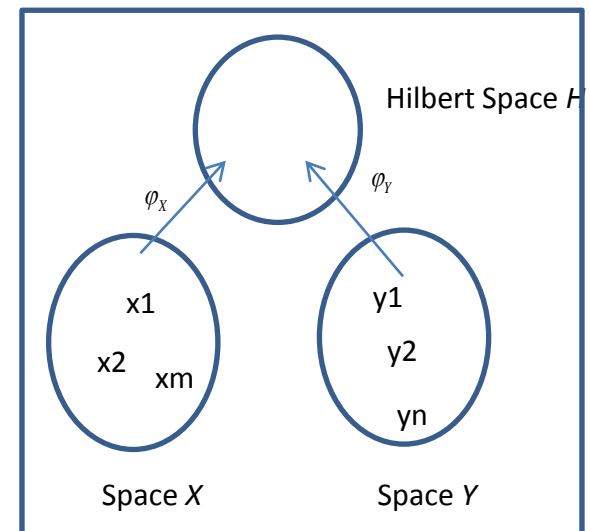
- Using Kernel Methods

Query-document pair space



Similarity Learning

- Similarity Function : $k(x, y) = \langle \varphi(x), \varphi(y) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$
- Input
 - Training data $S = \{(x_i, y_i), t_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq N}$
- Output
 - Similarity Function
- Optimization



$$\min_{k \in \mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N l(k(x_i, y_i), t_i) + \Omega(k)$$

Similarity Learning Using Kernel Methods

- Assumption
 - Space of similarity functions is RKHS generated by positive-definite kernel $\bar{k}: (\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}) \times (\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$

- Optimization

$$\min_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N l(k(x_i, y_i), t_i) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|k\|_{\mathcal{K}}^2$$

- Solution
 - By representer theorem $k^*(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \bar{k}((x_i, y_i), (x, y))$

$$\bar{k}((x, y), (x', y')) = g(x, y) k_{\mathcal{X}}(x, x') k_{\mathcal{Y}}(y, y') g(x', y')$$

Learning Robust BM25

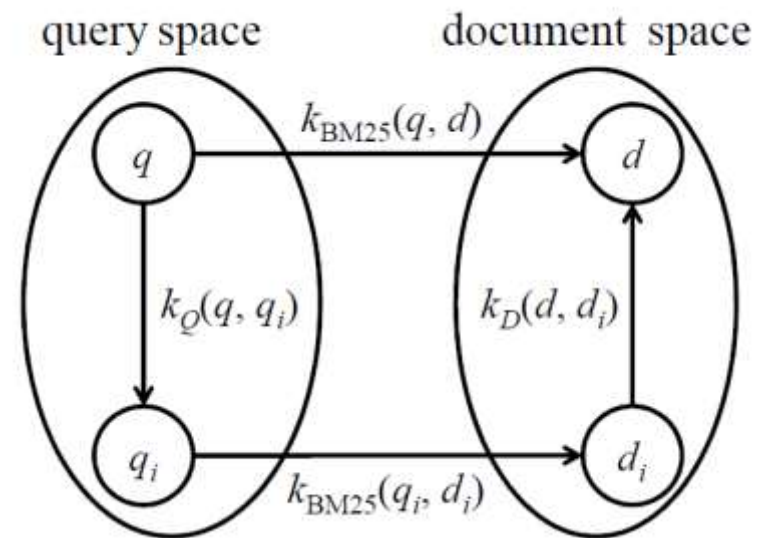
- BM25 :
- Kernel

$$\bar{k}((q, d), (q', d')) = k_{BM25}(q, d)k_Q(q, q')k_D(d, d')k_{BM25}(q', d')$$

- Solution (called Robust BM25)

$$k_{RBM25}(q, d) = k_{BM25}(q, d) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i k_Q(q, q_i) k_D(d, d_i) k_{BM25}(q_i, d_i)$$

- Deal with term mismatch

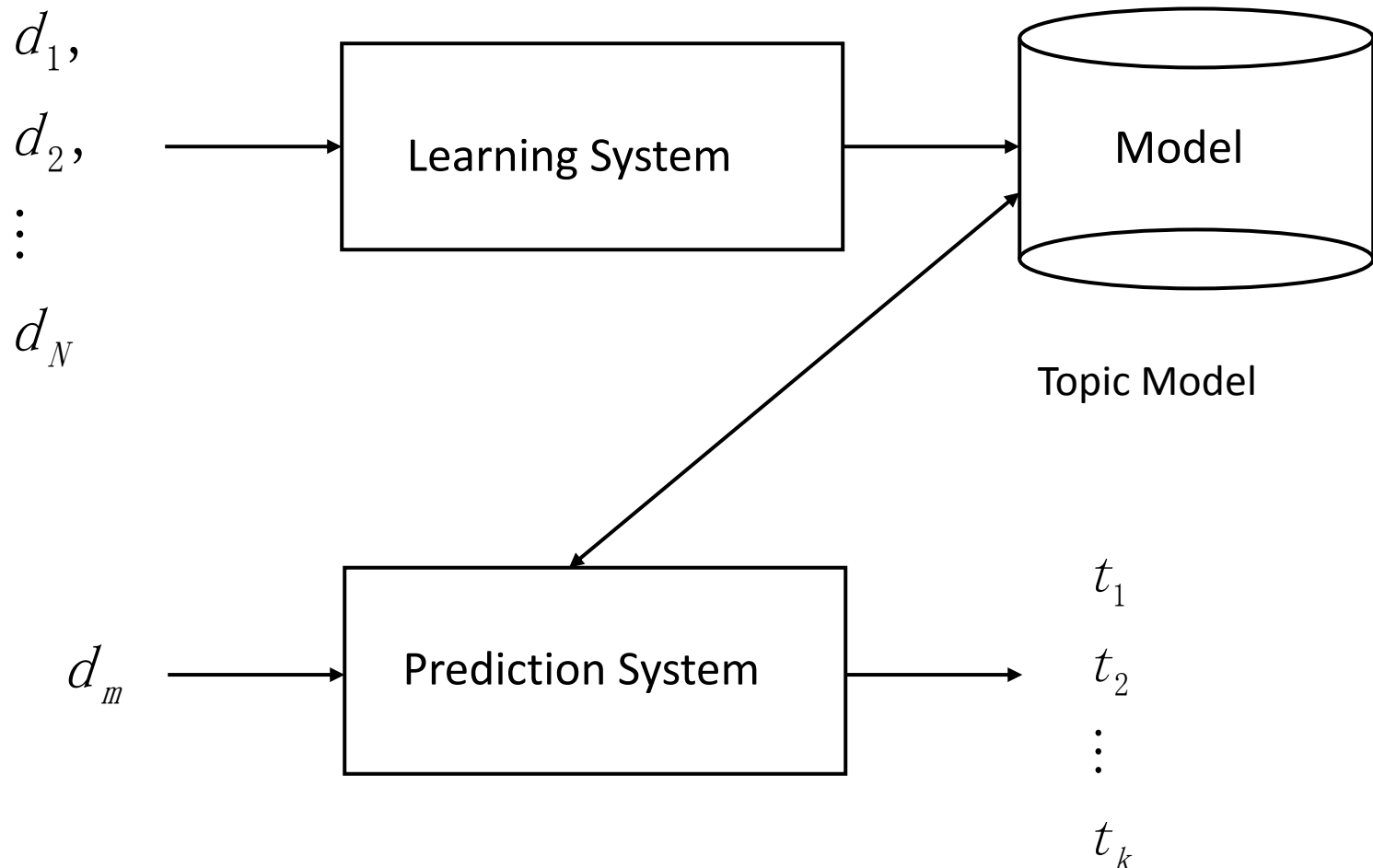


Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing

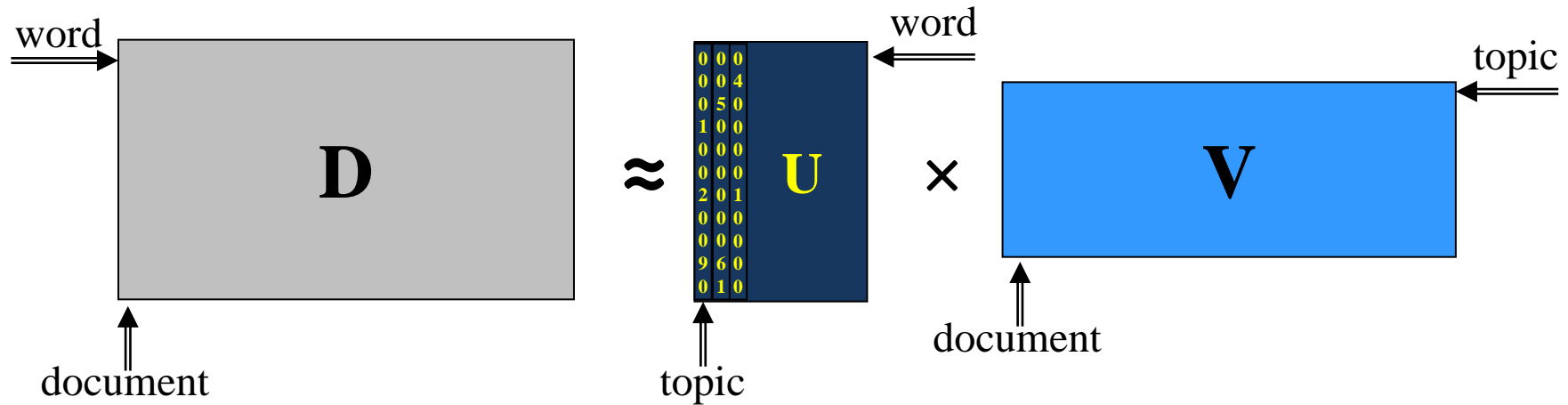
Quan Wang, Jun Xu, Hang Li,
Nick Craswell, SIGIR 2011

Topic Modeling

Our Approach = Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing



Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing



word representation of doc n topic matrix topic representation of doc n

$$\min_{\mathbf{U}, \{\mathbf{v}_n\}} \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{d}_n - \mathbf{U}\mathbf{v}_n\|_2^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^K \|\mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + \lambda_2 \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{v}_n\|_2^2$$

topics are sparse

Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing

- L1 on topics and L2 on documents
- L1 leads to sparse topics, a topic only contains a small number of words
- L2 leads to accurate modeling
- Formulation is simple
- Easy to scale up

Scalability Comparison

| algorithm | max dataset applied (#docs; #words) | # topics | # processors used |
|-------------------------------|---|------------|-----------------------|
| PLDA and PLDA+ (by Google) | Wiki-200T (2,112,618; 200,000) | 1000 | 2,048 |
| AD-LDA (by UCI) | NY Times (300,000; 102,660) | 200 | 16 |
| RLSI | B01 (1,562,807; 7,014,881) Wikipedia (3,239,884; 1,689,193) Bing News (1,028,070; 940,702) | 500 ~ 1000 | 16 single machine! |

Regularized Topics

AP dataset, topic compactness: 0.0075

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-------------|
| OPEC | Africa | contra | school | Noriega | firefight | plane | Saturday | Iran | senate |
| oil | South | Sandinista | student | Panama | ACR | crash | coastal | Iranian | Reagan |
| cent | African | rebel | teacher | Panamanian | forest | flight | estimate | Iraq | billion |
| barrel | Angola | Nicaragua | education | Delval | park | air | western | hostage | budget |
| price | apartheid | Nicaraguan | college | canal | blaze | airline | Minsch | Iraqi | trade |
| drug | soviet | aid | court | Jackson | percent | student | nuclear | Bush | Israel |
| cocaine | Afghanistan | virus | senate | Dukaki | billion | Korea | soviet | Dukaki | Palestinian |
| traffick | Afghan | infect | Reagan | democrat | rate | protest | treaty | campaign | Israeli |
| test | Gorbachev | test | house | delegate | 0 | Korean | missile | Quayle | Arab |
| enforce | Pakistan | patient | state | percent | trade | Chun | weapon | Bentsen | PLO |

Optimization

Algorithm 2 Update U

Require: $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$, $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times N}$

```
1:  $\mathbf{S} \leftarrow \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T$ 
2:  $\mathbf{R} \leftarrow \mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^T$ 
3: for  $m = 1 : M$  do
4:    $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_m \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$ 
5:   repeat
6:     for  $k = 1 : K$  do
7:        $w_{mk} \leftarrow r_{mk} - \sum_{l \neq k} s_{kl} u_{ml}$ 
8:        $u_{mk} \leftarrow \frac{(|w_{mk}| - \frac{1}{2} \lambda N)_+ \text{sign}(w_{mk})}{s_{kk}}$ 
9:     end for
10:   until convergence
11: end for
12: return  $\mathbf{U}$ 
```

words
processed
in parallel

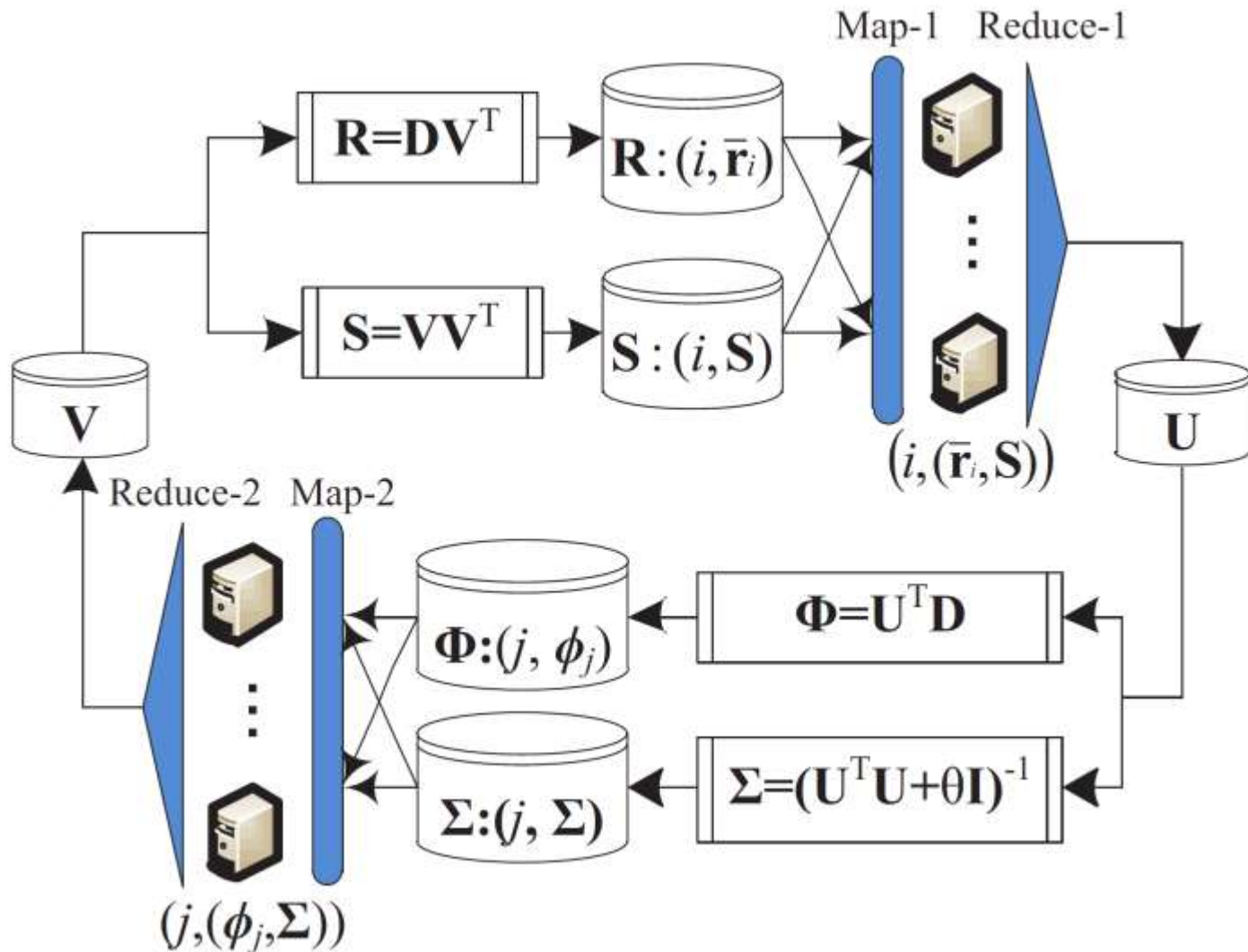
docs
processed
in parallel

Algorithm 3 Update V

Require: $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$, $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times K}$

```
1:  $\Sigma \leftarrow (\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} + \theta \mathbf{I})^{-1}$ 
2:  $\Phi \leftarrow \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{D}$ 
3: for  $n = 1 : N$  do
4:    $\mathbf{v}_n \leftarrow \Sigma \phi_n$ , where  $\phi_n$  is the  $n^{th}$  column
5: end for
6: return  $\mathbf{V}$ 
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Scaling up on MapReduce



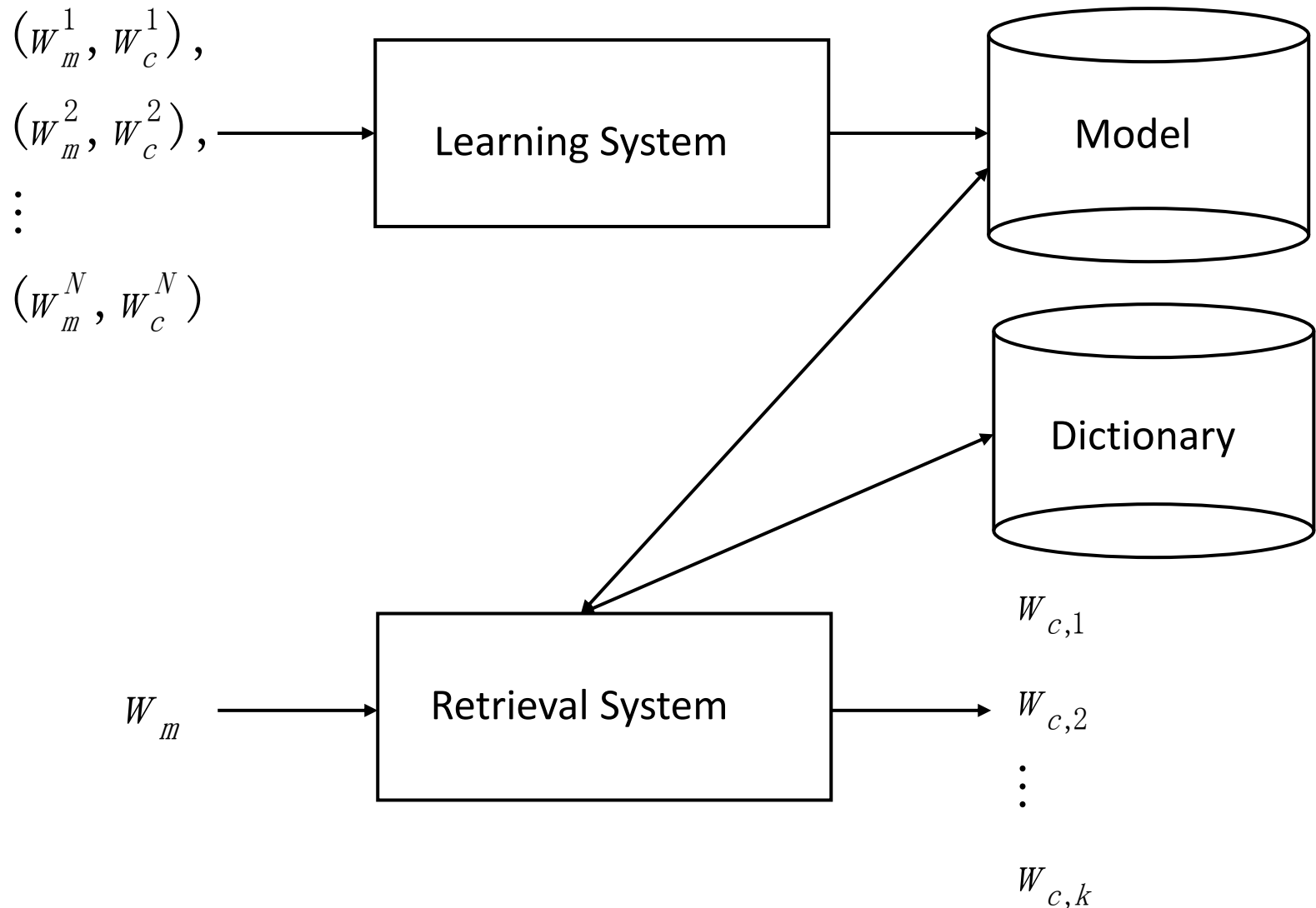
Query Generation Using Log Linear Model

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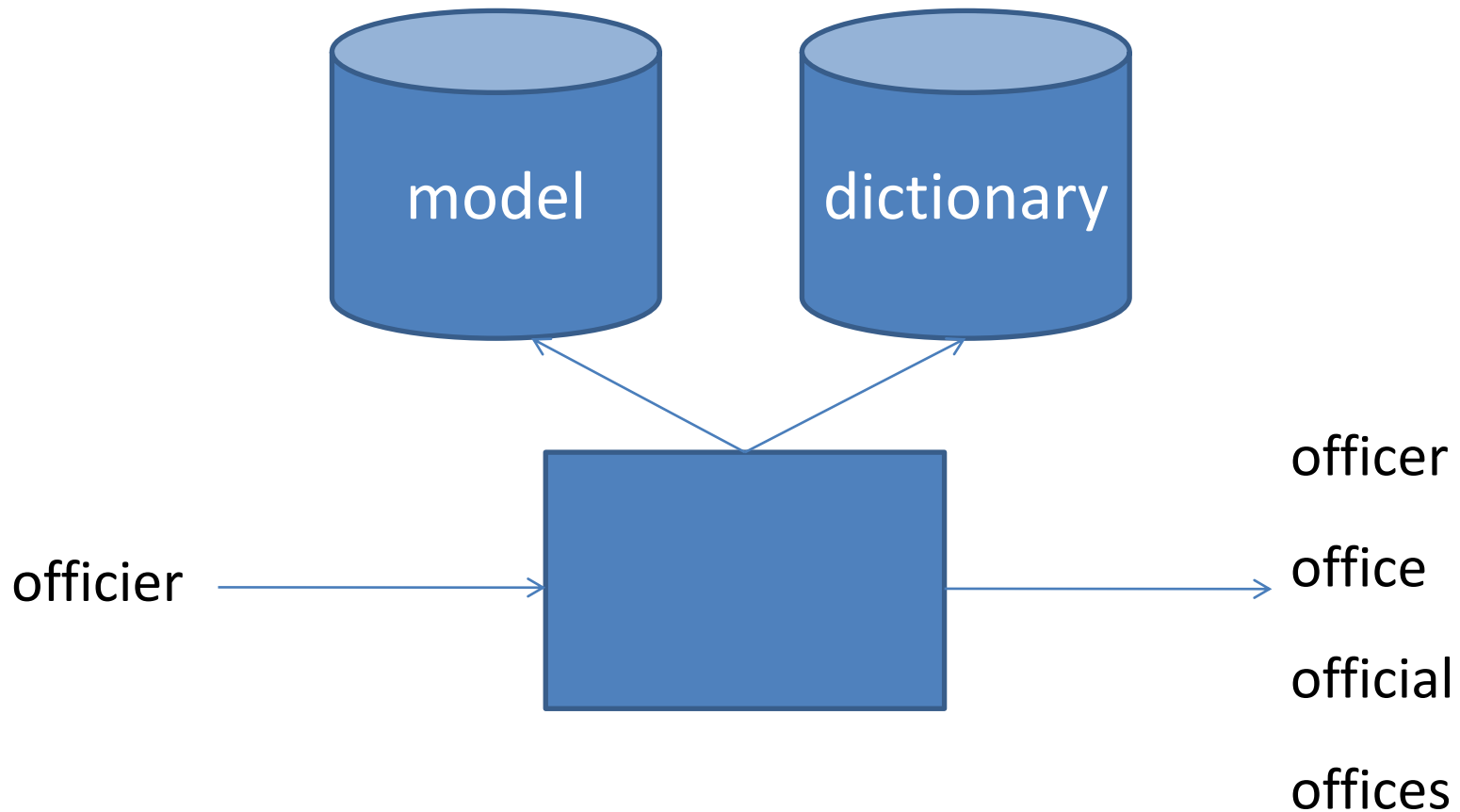
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Candidate Generation in Spelling Correction

Our Approach = Log Linear Model



Candidate Generation in Spelling Error Correction



Learning

**Training
Data**

$$(W_m^1, W_c^1)$$

$$(W_m^2, W_c^2)$$

$$(W_m^3, W_c^3)$$

...



**Rule
Extraction**

$$\alpha_1 \rightarrow \beta_1$$

$$\alpha_2 \rightarrow \beta_2$$

$$\alpha_3 \rightarrow \beta_3$$

...

rule



**Model
Learning**

$$P(W_c, R(W_m, W_c) \mid W_m)$$

log linear model



Model

$$\alpha_1 \rightarrow \beta_1, \lambda_1$$

$$\alpha_2 \rightarrow \beta_2, \lambda_2$$

$$\alpha_3 \rightarrow \beta_3, \lambda_3$$

...

weight

Rule Extraction

- Edit-distance based alignment:

Misspelled: \wedge n i c o s o o f t $\$$
 \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \searrow \searrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
Correct: \wedge m i c r o s o f t $\$$

- Basic substitution rules:

$$n \rightarrow m, \phi \rightarrow r$$

- Contextual substitution rules

$$\wedge n \rightarrow \wedge m, ni \rightarrow mi, \wedge ni \rightarrow \wedge mi, c \rightarrow cr, \dots$$

Log Linear Model

- Model

$$P(\underline{w_c}, R(w_m, w_c) | w_m) = \frac{\exp(\sum_{r \in R(w_m, w_c)} \lambda_r)}{\sum_{(w'_c, R(w_m, w'_c)) \in Z(w_m)} \exp(\sum_{o \in R(w_m, w'_c)} \lambda_o)}$$

Weight of rule

Set of rules
rewrite w_m to w_c

All pairs of word w'_c and rule set $R(w_m, w'_c)$

$$\forall \lambda_r \leq 0$$

Non-positive constraint, to improve efficiency in retrieval,
Natural assumption

- Candidate Generation

$$rank(w_c | w_m) = \max_{R(w_m, w_c)} (\sum_{r \in R(w_m, w_c)} \lambda_r)$$

Model Learning

- Objective function

$$\lambda^* = \arg \max_{\lambda} \sum_i \max_{R(w_m^i, w_c^i)} \log P(w_c^i, R(w_m^i, w_c^i) \mid w_m^i)$$



Take max over
transformations

- Algorithm
 - Constrained Quasi Newton Method (BFGS)

Retrieval

**Misspelled
word**



**Finding all
matching
rules**



**Find best
candidates**



**Top k
candidates**

W_m

$\alpha_1 \rightarrow \beta_1, \lambda_1$

$\alpha_2 \rightarrow \beta_2, \lambda_2$

$\alpha_3 \rightarrow \beta_3, \lambda_3$

...

$W_{c,1}$

$W_{c,2}$

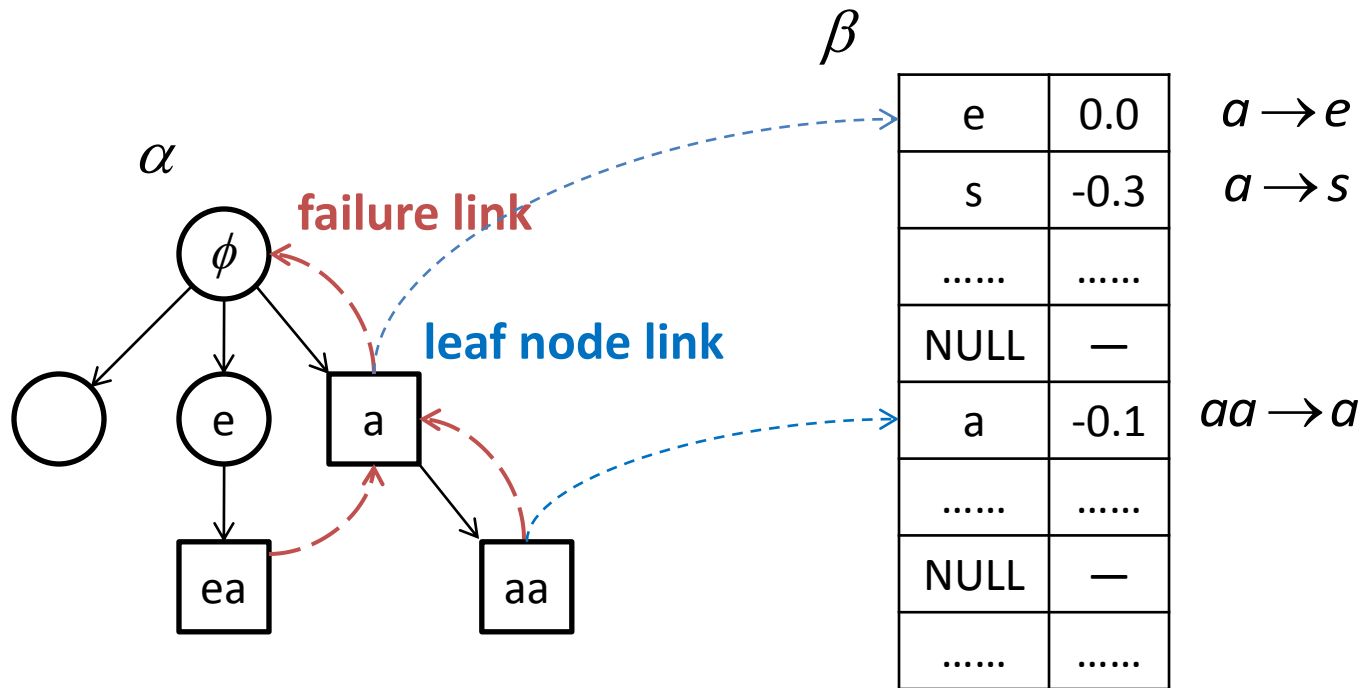
$W_{c,3}$

...

Aho Corasick Tree
(rule set)

Trie Tree
(dictionary)

Aho Corasick Tree

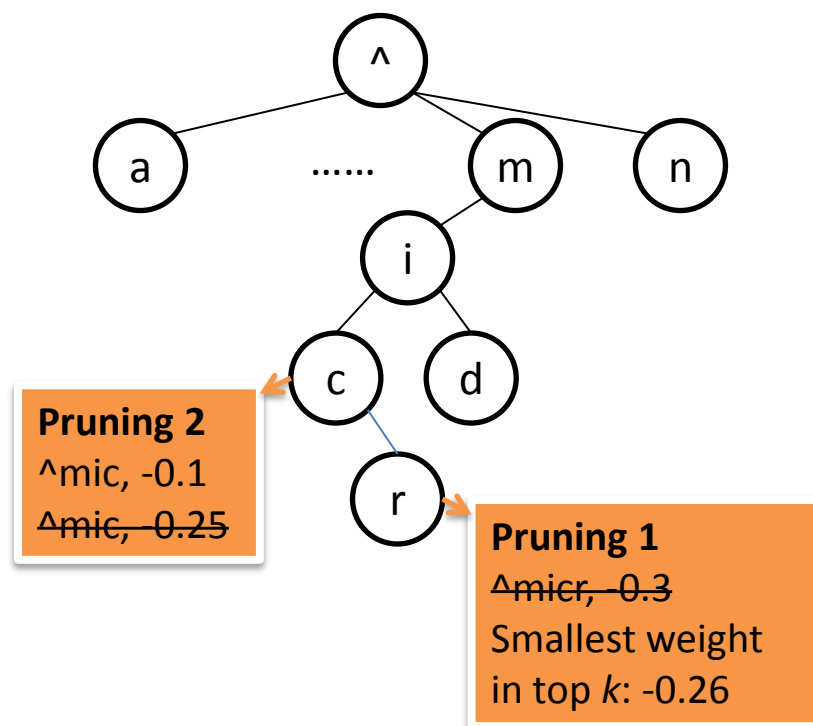


Index all the α 's in the rules on the AC tree

β are stored in an associated list

Retrieval with Dynamic Programming

- Traverse trie tree
 - Match the next position of w_m
 - Apply a rule at the current position of w_m
- Two pruning strategies
 - If the sum of weights is smaller than the smallest weight in the top k list, prune the branch
 - two search branches merge, prune the smaller branch



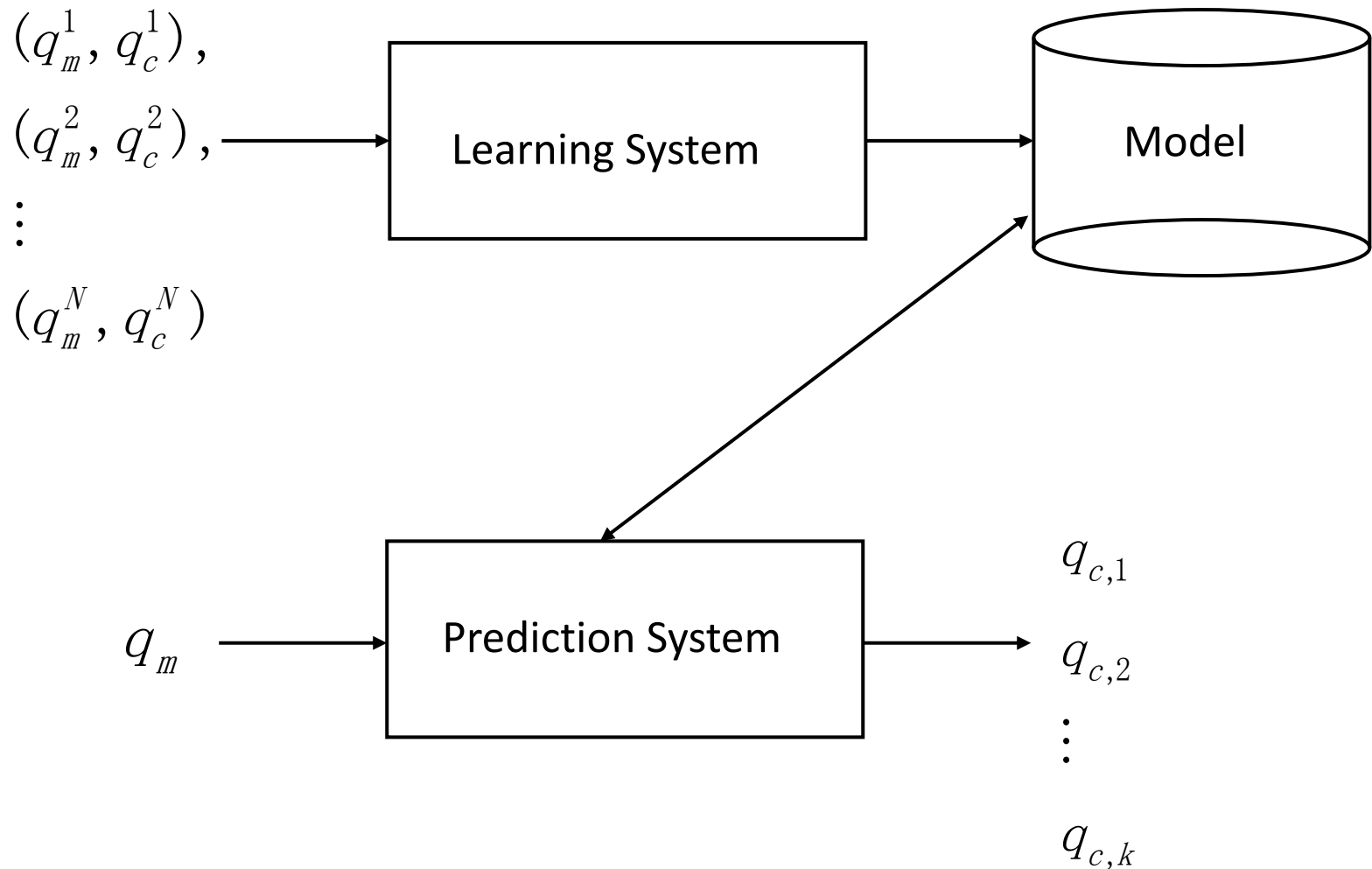
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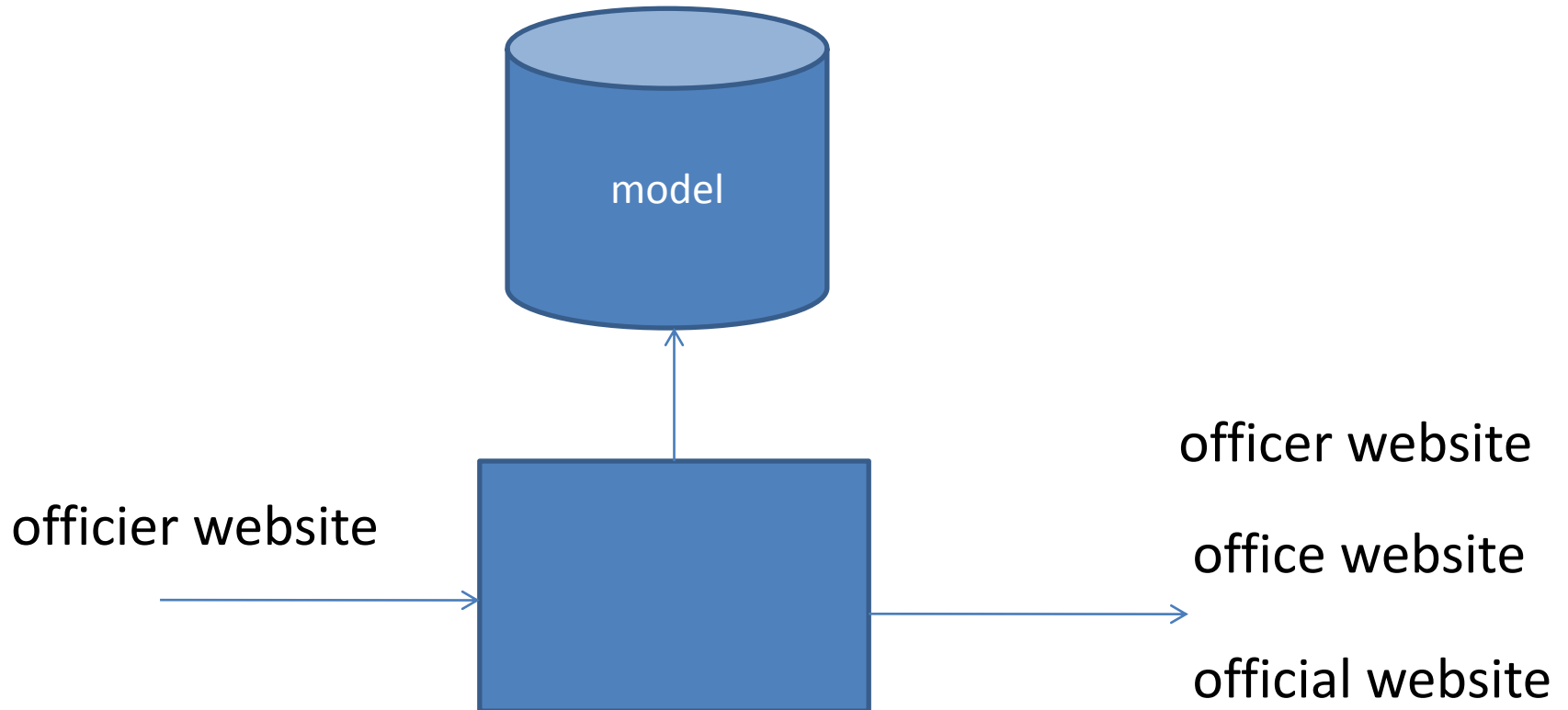
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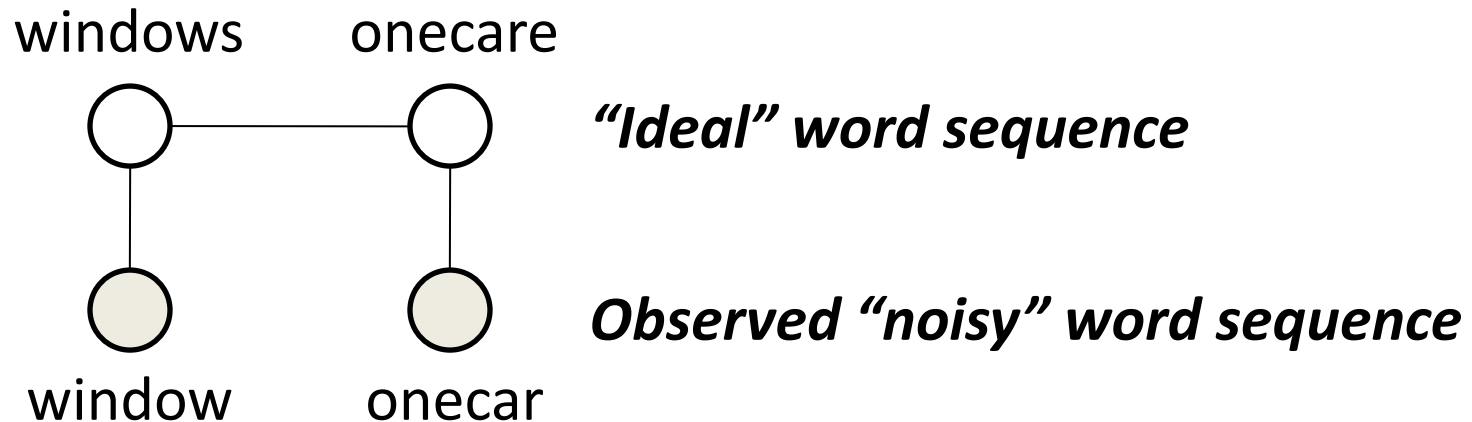
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Candidate Selection Problem



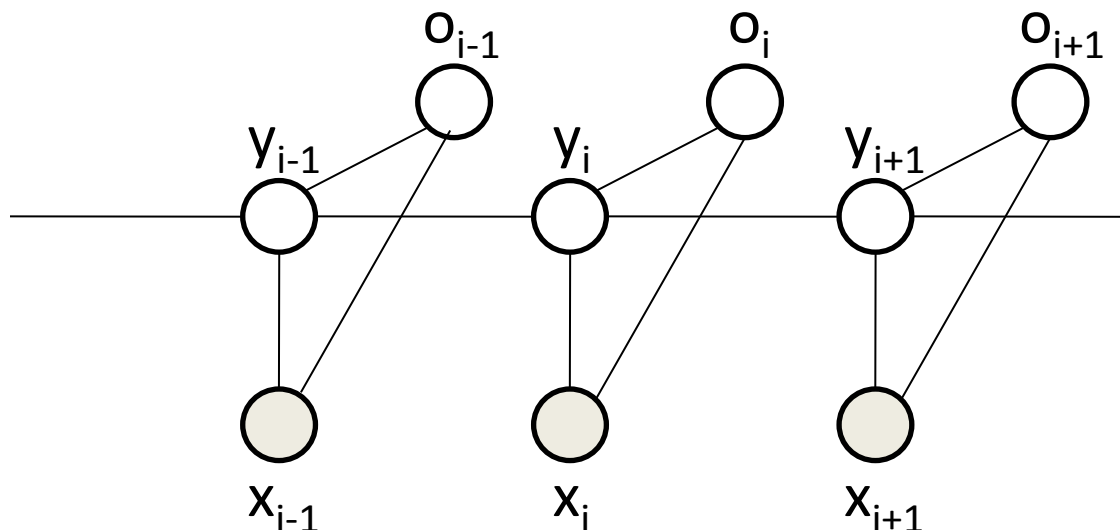
$$y^* = \arg \max_y \Pr(y|x)$$

*"ideal" query
word sequence*

*original query
word sequence*

Conditional Random Fields for Candidate Selection

Introducing Refinement Operations



$$\Pr(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{o} | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z(\mathbf{x})} \prod_{i=1}^n \phi(y_{i-1}, y_i) \phi(y_i, o_i, \mathbf{x})$$

Operations

Spelling: insertion, deletion, substitution, transposition, ...

Word Stemming: +s/-s, +es/-es, +ed/-ed, +ing/-ing, ...

Query Refinement Using Conditional Random Fields

model

$$\Pr(\mathbf{y}, \bar{\mathbf{o}}, \bar{\mathbf{z}} | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z(\mathbf{x})} \prod_{i=1}^n (\varphi(y_{i-1}, y_i)) \prod_{j_i=1}^{m_i} \varphi(z_{i, j_i}, O_{i, j_i}, z_{i, j_i-1})$$

basic idea

$\Pr(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x})$
learning is intractable

$\Pr(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{o} | \mathbf{x})$
including operations

IR Matching (Relevance) Models

| | Probabilistic Approach | Non Probabilistic Approach |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| Term Matching (unigram) | BM25[Robertson], LM4IR [Zhai][Ponte & Croft] | Vector Space Model [Salton] |
| Term Matching (n-gram) | MRF[Metzler & Croft] | <i>Similarity Function [Xu & Li]</i> |
| Topic Matching | PLSI[Hoffman], LDA[Blei et al] | LSI[Deerwester et al], <i>RLSI[Xu et al]</i> |

IR Matching (Relevance) Models

| | Probabilistic Approach | Non Probabilistic Approach |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Sense Matching (synonym) | | Rocchio [Rocchio], <i>Kernel Method [Wu et al]</i> |
| Sense Matching (spelling) | Generative model [Brill & Moore], <i>Log linear model [Wang et al]</i> , <i>CRF [Guo et al]</i> | |
| Structure Matching | Translation Model [Berger & Lafferty] | |

Summary

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- Introduction to Web Search
- Relevance Model (Matching Model)
- Query Term Mismatch
- Learning to Match
- Our Methods
 - Robust Similarity Function Learning Using Kernel Methods
 - Regularized Latent Semantic Indexing
 - Query Generation Using Log Linear Model
 - Query Rewriting Using Conditional Random Fields

Thank You!

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