Problem Statement → Early Search Signal(implicit behavioral signals of relevance and ranking quality): Time to first click

TTFC is a leading metric (micro-behavior, within session).

QRR is a session-level aggregate metric (macro outcome).

## Solution:

JOIN clicks c

## Reg. Time-to-first-click/session

Select
Session\_id,
MIN(c.click\_time - s.search\_time) AS time\_to\_first\_click
From search\_events s
JOIN search\_events c
On s.session\_id = c.session\_id
AND s.event\_type = 'search'
And c.event\_type = 'click'
AND c.timestamp > s.timestamp
GROUP BY session\_id

## Reg. Time-to-first-click/session-user-query

With searches AS( Select Session id, User\_id, Query, Timestamp AS search\_time From search\_events Where event type = 'search'), Clicks AS( Select Session id, Timestamp AS click time From search events Where event\_type = 'click') Select s.session\_id, s.user\_id, s.query, MIN(c.click\_time - s.search\_time) AS time\_to\_first\_click From searches s

On s.session\_id = c.session\_id → Same Session And c.click\_time > s.search\_time Group by s.session\_id, s.user\_id, s.query;

## Explanation:

- 1. We join searches and clicks within the same session
- 2. Only keep clicks after the search timestamp (c.click\_time > s.search\_time)
- 3. MIN() ensures we only take the first click after the query

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No Reformulation Rate (%) = Sessions with only 1 unique or semantically the same query/Total sessions \*100

Select

Session\_id,

User\_id,

Query as current\_query,

lag(query) over(partition by timestamp) as previous\_query,

**CASE** 

WHEN LAG(query) OVER(PARTITION BY session\_id ORDER BY timestamp) is null then 'first\_query'

WHEN query = LAG(query) OVER(PARTITION BY session\_id ORDER BY timestamp) then 'same\_query'

ELSE 'potential\_reformulation'

END AS query status

FROM ordered\_queries