



# Automated Prompt Engineering for Traceability Link Recovery

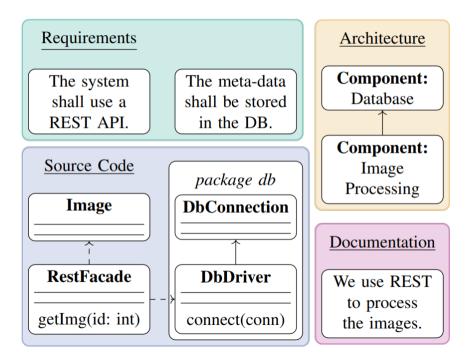
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## What is Trace Link Recovery



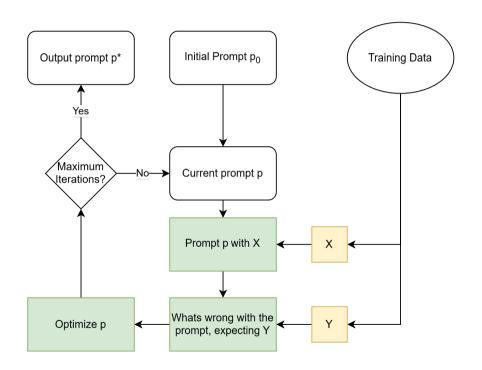
- Many different artifacts are created during software development
- Often inconsistencies will be present, such as naming
- Goal: Link elements across multiple domains or versions to ensure consistency and validation



## **What is Automated Prompt Engineering**

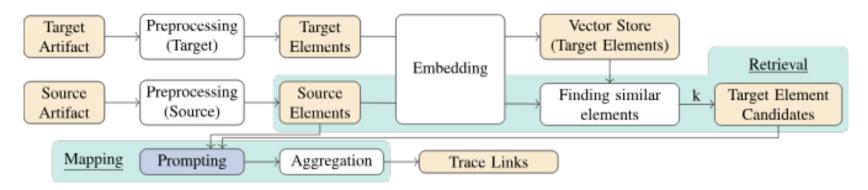


- Use the LLM to refine prompts instead of manually formulating them
- Improve initial prompt by training with a subset of the actual data
- Optimization prompt to fix previous shortcommings



#### The LiSSA-Framework

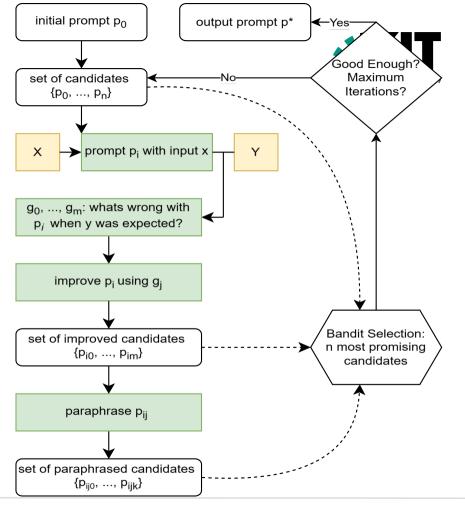




My work will add to the prompting step of the LiSSA framework

#### **APE with Gradient Descent**

- Generate many new prompt candidates on each layer
- Steer them against the error direction using gradients
- Select most promising candidates cheaply using a well studied multiple-armed-bandit algorithm



#### **Evaluation**



- Compare performance (precision, recall, F1-score, F2-score) against current manually designed zero-shot and chain-ofthought prompt
- Apply variations of different initial prompts and different LLMs to the optimization problem and compare outputs

### **Sources**

