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**Best-Match Retrieval:
HW2 Implementation**

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Outline

HW2 implementation

- Indri default beliefs
- Window operator

Indri Implementation

Indri operators calculate scores only for documents that contain a query term

- Use inverted or score lists

– Similar to HW1

- Use document length, ctf, and corpus length for smoothing

– Lookup from the index – see the HW2 web page

But, one aspect is a little tricky to get right...

$$\text{AND, COMBINE: } p_{and}(q|d) = \prod_{q_i \in q} p(q_i|d)^{\frac{1}{|q|}}$$

$$\text{WAND, WEIGHT: } p_{wand}(q|d) = \prod_{q_i \in q} p(q_i|d)^{\frac{w_i}{w}}, \quad w = \sum w_i$$

$$\text{OR: } p_{or}(q|d) = 1 - \prod_{q_i \in q} (1 - p(q_i|d))$$

$$\text{WSUM: } p_{wsun}(q|d) = \sum_{q_i \in q} \frac{w_i}{w} p(q_i|d), \quad w = \sum w_i$$

$$\text{NOT: } p_{not}(q|d) = 1 - p(q|d)$$

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Indri Review

Your HW2 system will use two-stage smoothing to compute term weights

$$p(q_i|d) = (1 - \lambda) \frac{tf_{q_i,d} + \mu p_{MLE}(q_i|C)}{length_d + \mu} + \lambda p_{MLE}(q_i|C)$$

$$p_{MLE}(q_i|C) = \frac{ctf_{q_i}}{length_C}$$

This is the #SCORE operator for the Indri retrieval model

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Indri Implementation

Query: #OR (a #AND (b c))

Document: a

Query terms b and c do not appear in this document

... what is the score of the #AND operator?

- $tf_b = 0$ $tf_c = 0$
- Do the usual Indri score calculation
 - MLE $p(t | d)$ scores are 0 for b and c, so only smoothing scores for b and c

$$p(q_i | d) = (1 - \lambda) \frac{tf_{q_i, d} + \mu p_{MLE}(q_i | C)}{length_d + \mu} + \lambda p_{MLE}(q_i | C)$$

This is simple conceptually, but how is it implemented?

- You don't want to calculate #AND scores for every document (way too slow)
... just the documents that have at least one query term

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Indri Implementation

Query: #OR (a #AND (b c))

Document: a

Add a new method to all QrySop operators

double getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

When any QrySop operator calculates scores for the Indri retrieval model

if q_i has a match for document d

then

call q_i .getScore

else

call q_i .getDefaultScore

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Indri Implementation

Query: #OR (a #AND (b c))

Document: a

QrySopScore.getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

- The standard Indri SCORE calculation done with $tf=0$

If $r == \text{RetrievalModel.Indri}$

$$P_{scoreDefault}(t | docid) = (1 - \lambda) \frac{0 + \mu P_{MLE}(t | C)}{length(docid) + \mu} + \lambda P_{MLE}(t | C)$$

**This is the main difference.
Do the usual calculation, but with $tf=0$.**

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Indri Implementation

Query: #AND (a #NEAR/3 (b c))

QrySopScore.getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

What happens if #NEAR/3 (b c) doesn't occur in the collection?

- Its $ctf == 0$
 - ... so $p_{MLE}(t|C) == 0$ (i.e., no smoothing weight)
 - ... so #AND returns 0 for all documents
- This behavior is exact match, not best match
 - Indri is a best match model

$$p_{and}(q | d) = \prod_{q_i \in q} p(q_i | d)^{\frac{1}{|q|}}$$

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Indri Implementation

Query: #AND (a #NEAR/3 (b c))

QrySopScore.getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

What happens if #near/3 (b c) doesn't occur in the collection?

Solution: Extra smoothing for terms that have $ctf = 0$

If $r == \text{RetrievalModel.Indri}$

If $ctf(t) = 0$

calculate $p_{MLE}(t|C)$ using $ctf(t) = 0.5$

**Undocumented
behavior ($ctf < 1$)**

$$p_{scoreDefault}(t | docid) = (1 - \lambda) \frac{0 + \mu p_{MLE}(t | C)}{length(docid) + \mu} + \lambda p_{MLE}(t | C)$$

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Indri Implementation

Query: #OR (a #AND (b c))

Document: a

QrySopAnd.getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

- The standard Indri AND calculation done on the default score of each argument

If $r == \text{RetrievalModel.Indri}$

$$p_{andDefault}(q | d) = \prod_{q_i \in q} p_{q_i default_i}(q_i | d)^{\frac{1}{|q|}}$$

**This is the only difference.
Call the i^{th} query argument's getDefaultScore method.**

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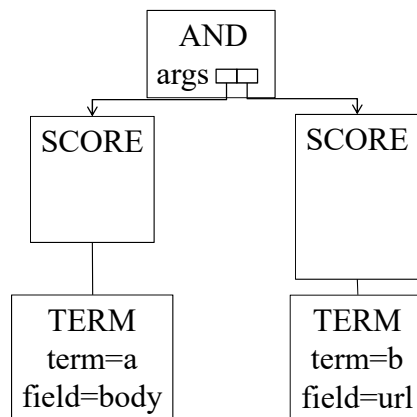
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QryEval Example

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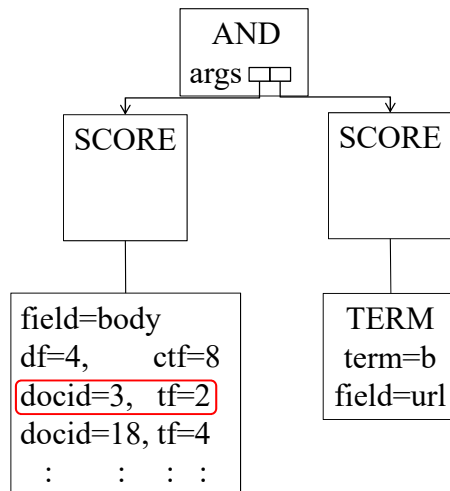
The initial query:
#AND (a.body b.url)



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Query Initialization



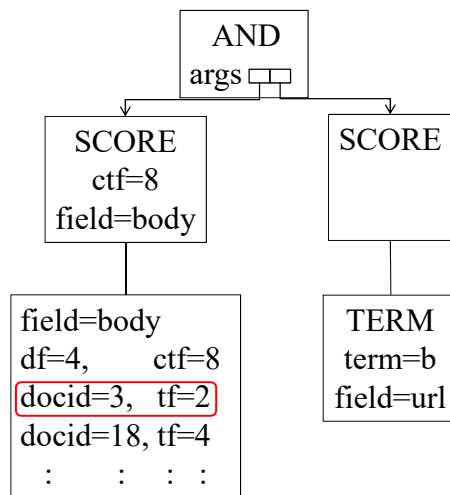
AND operator initialization

AND initializes its first arg.
SCORE initializes its arg.
The result is an inverted list.

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Query Initialization



AND operator initialization

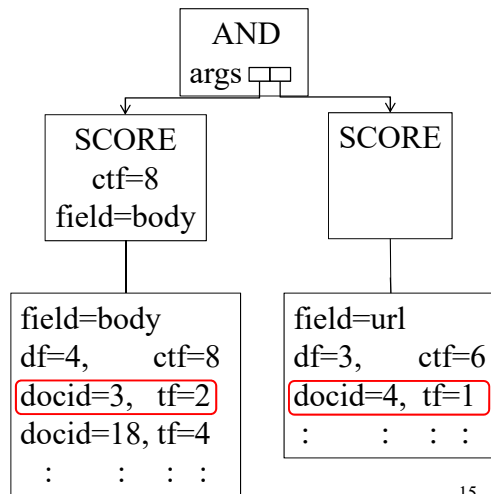
AND initializes its first arg.
SCORE initializes its arg.
The result is an inverted list.

The SCORE operator
caches information that it
will need later.

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Query Initialization



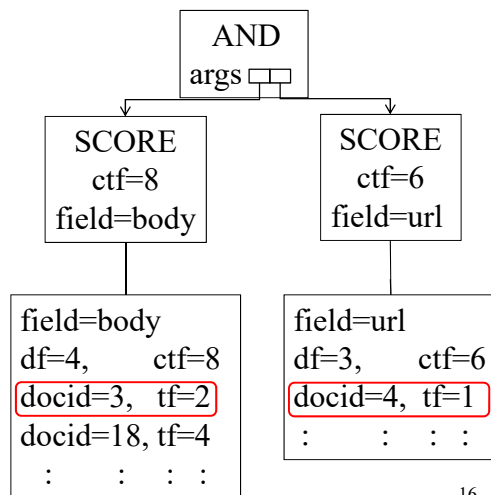
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Query Initialization



AND operator initialization

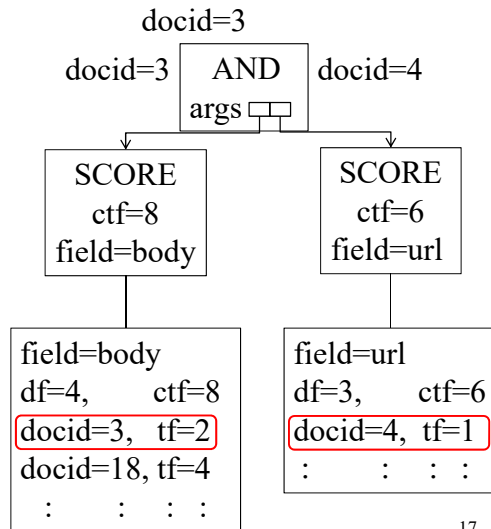
AND initializes its second arg.
SCORE initializes its arg.
The result is an inverted list.

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (First Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

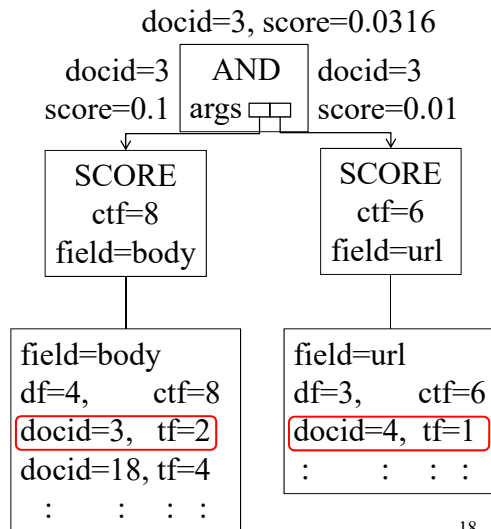
Min document is 3.

HasMatch caches the docid (3)
and returns True

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (First Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

getScore uses the cached docid (3).

args[0] has match, so call
args[0].getScore ().
Suppose the result is 0.1.

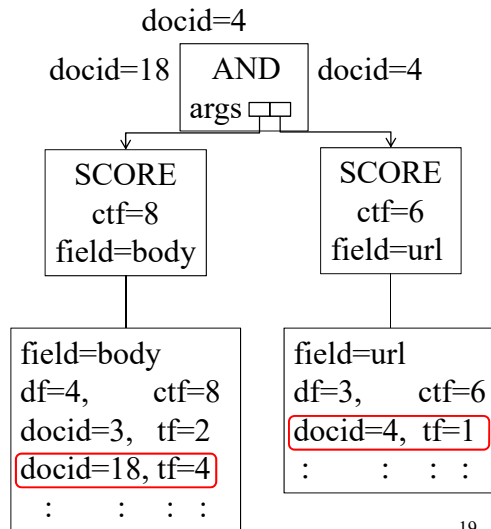
args[1] does not match, so call
args[1].getDefaultScore(3).
Suppose the result is 0.01.

$\text{Score}_{\text{AND}}(3) = (0.1^{0.5} \times 0.01^{0.5})$

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (Second Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

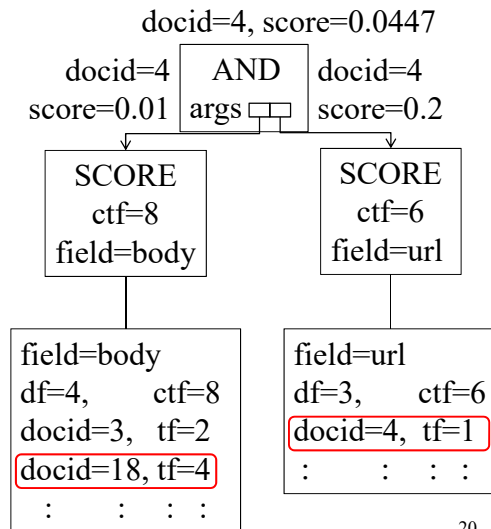
Min document is 4.

HasMatch caches the docid (4)
and returns True

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (Second Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

getScore uses the cached docid (4).

args[0] does not match, so call
args[0].getDefaultScore (4).
Suppose the result is 0.01.

args[1] has match, so call
args[1].getScore().
Suppose the result is 0.2.

$\text{Score}_{\text{AND}}(4) = (0.01^{0.5} \times 0.2^{0.5})$

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Default Belief Scores Are Only a Small Complication

When evaluating a query argument

- If it has a match for the current document
 - Ask the query argument to calculate the document score for the current document
 - Else ask the query argument to calculate a default score for the current document
 - » E.g., a SCORE operator (the example given)
 - » E.g., an OR operator (similar logic)

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Default Belief Scores Are Only a Small Complication

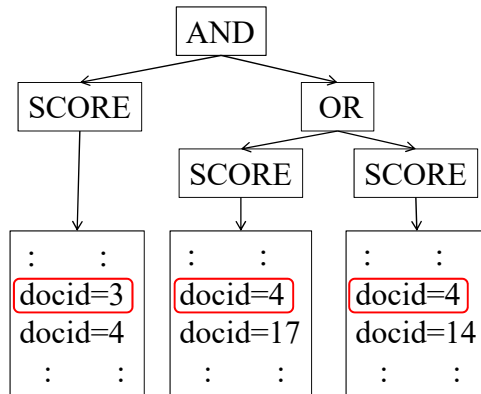
Which types of query operators calculate default scores?

- If an operator calculates scores
 - ... it also calculates default scores
- QrySop operators calculate default scores
- QryIop operators do not calculate default scores

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (First Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

Min document is 3.

args[0] has match, so call
args[0].getScore ().
Suppose the result is 0.3.

args[1] does not match, so call
args[1].getDefaultScore(3).

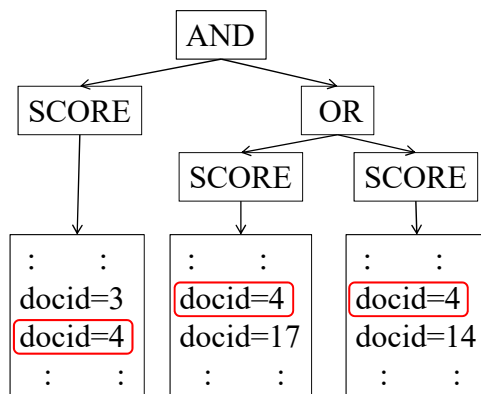
OR calls getDefaultScore(3)
for all of its args and computes
a score. Suppose it is 0.01.

$$\text{Score}_{\text{AND}}(3) = (0.3^{0.5} \times 0.01^{0.5})$$

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Call to docIteratorHasMatch & getScore (Second Time)



AND Operator Evaluation

Min document is 4.

args[0] matches, so call
args[0].getScore ().
Suppose the result is 0.3.

args[1] matches, so call
args[1].getScore().
Suppose the score is 0.2.

$$\text{Score}_{\text{AND}}(4) = (0.3^{0.5} \times 0.2^{0.5})$$

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Using Default Belief Scores Properly Requires Two Components

Add a new method to all QrySop operators

double getDefaultScore (RetrievalModel r, long docid)

- QrySopScore.getDefaultScore calculates a score for a term
- QrySop <other>. getDefaultScore combines scores for n terms

When any QrySop operator calculates scores

If the i^{th} query argument contains document d

then read its score from the i^{th} score list

else call the i^{th} query argument's getDefaultScore method

It may sound complicated now, but actually it is very easy

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

The WINDOW/n operator is used to match related concepts

- Arguments can be in any order
- n specifies the maximum distance between any pair of terms

Examples

- WINDOW/100 (obama merkel putin)
 - We don't care which order they occur in

Typically proximity operators have complexity $O(|C|)$

- A single pass down each inverted list, similar to NEAR/n

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a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	
tf: 1	tf: 1	
locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Initialize doc iterators

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a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Advance all doc iterators
until they point to the
same document

- This is a simple nested loop

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	Same document
tf: 1	tf: 1	Initialize location iterators
locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
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locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Is (max – min) < window?

48 – 47 < 20 (match)

Record match

- max location (48)

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Increment all loc iterators

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Find the min (49) and
max (98) locations

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Is (max – min) < window?

98 – 49 ≥ 20 (no match)

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Increment the iterator for
the min location

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a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Find the min (98) and
max (133) locations

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	Is (max – min) < window?
tf: 1	tf: 1	
locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	133 – 98 ≥ 20 (no match)
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	Increment the iterator for the min location
tf: 1	tf: 1	
locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Find the min (132) and
max (133) locations

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b
df: 47	df: 95
doc: 19	doc: 23
tf: 1	tf: 1
locs: 7	locs: 99
doc: 27	doc: 27
tf: 3	tf: 4
locs: 47	locs: 48
98	49
132	133
doc: 92	134
...	doc: 148
	...

Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)

Is (max – min) < window?

133 – 132 < 20 (match)

Record match

- max location (133)

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	Increment all loc iterators
tf: 1	tf: 1	
locs: 7	locs: 99	q_0 locs are exhausted.
doc: 27	doc: 27	No more matches are possible in this document
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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Proximity Operators: The Window (or Unordered Window) Operator

a	b	Query: # WINDOW/20 (a b)
df: 47	df: 95	
doc: 19	doc: 23	Increment all doc iterators
tf: 1	tf: 1	...
locs: 7	locs: 99	
doc: 27	doc: 27	Continue until the inverted lists are exhausted
tf: 3	tf: 4	
locs: 47	locs: 48	
98	49	
132	133	
doc: 92	134	
...	doc: 148	
	...	

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Implementation note

- A document term can only match the query once
- **Query:** #WINDOW/100 (obama merkel putin)
- **Document:** obama ... merkel ... putin ... merkel ... obama
- There is just one match here

One can imagine other implementations, but this is the norm

- Usually more complicated matching doesn't improve accuracy