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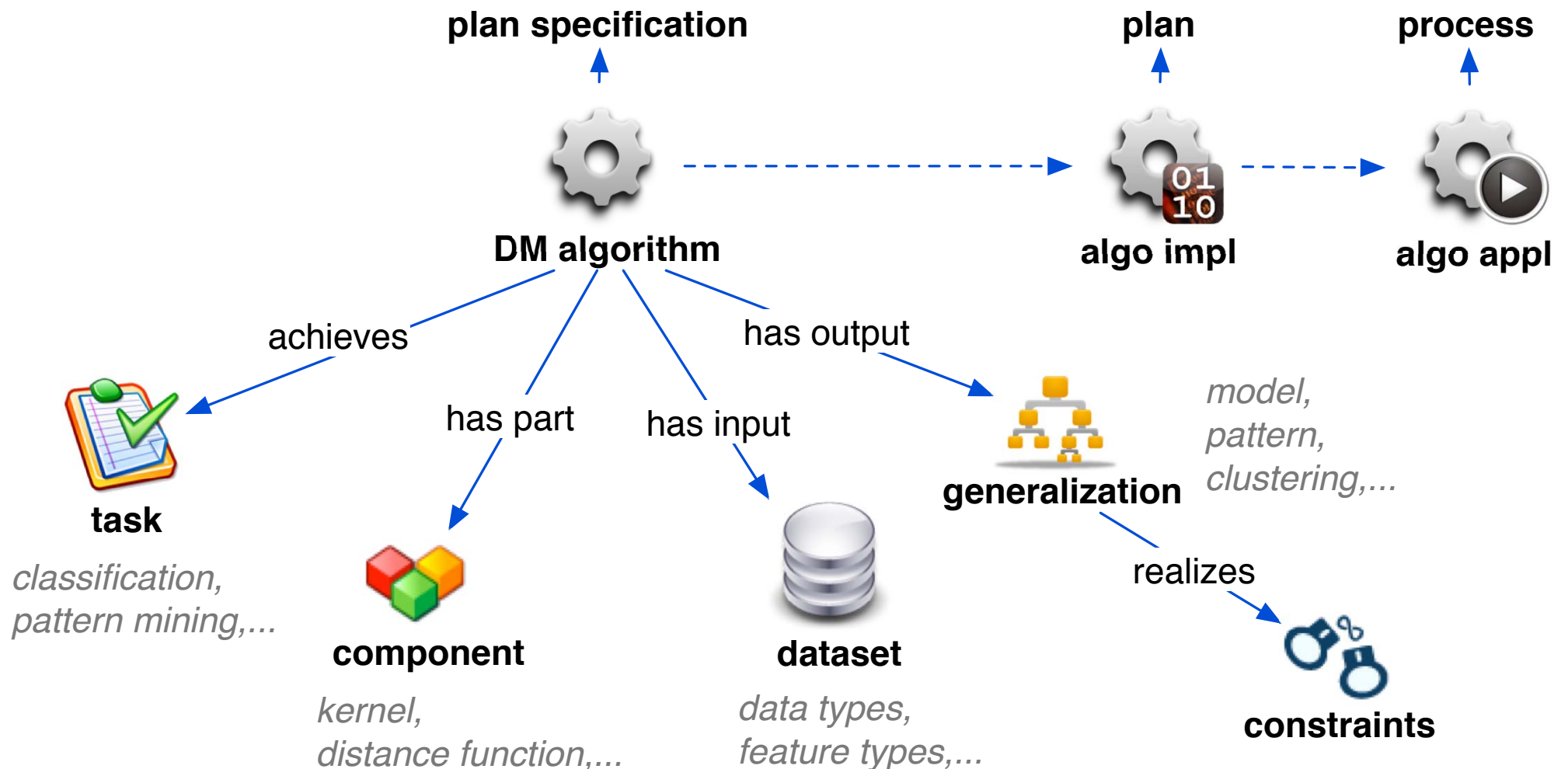
What did we learn from other ontologies

Ontology design

- Start from accepted classes & properties (**top-level ontologies**, e.g. OBI, RO)
- If possible, **reuse prior ontologies** to build on their knowledge/consensus
- Use ontology **design patterns**: reusable patterns for recurrent problems
 - <http://ontologydesignpatterns.org>
- Check clarity, consistency, extensibility, minimal commitment

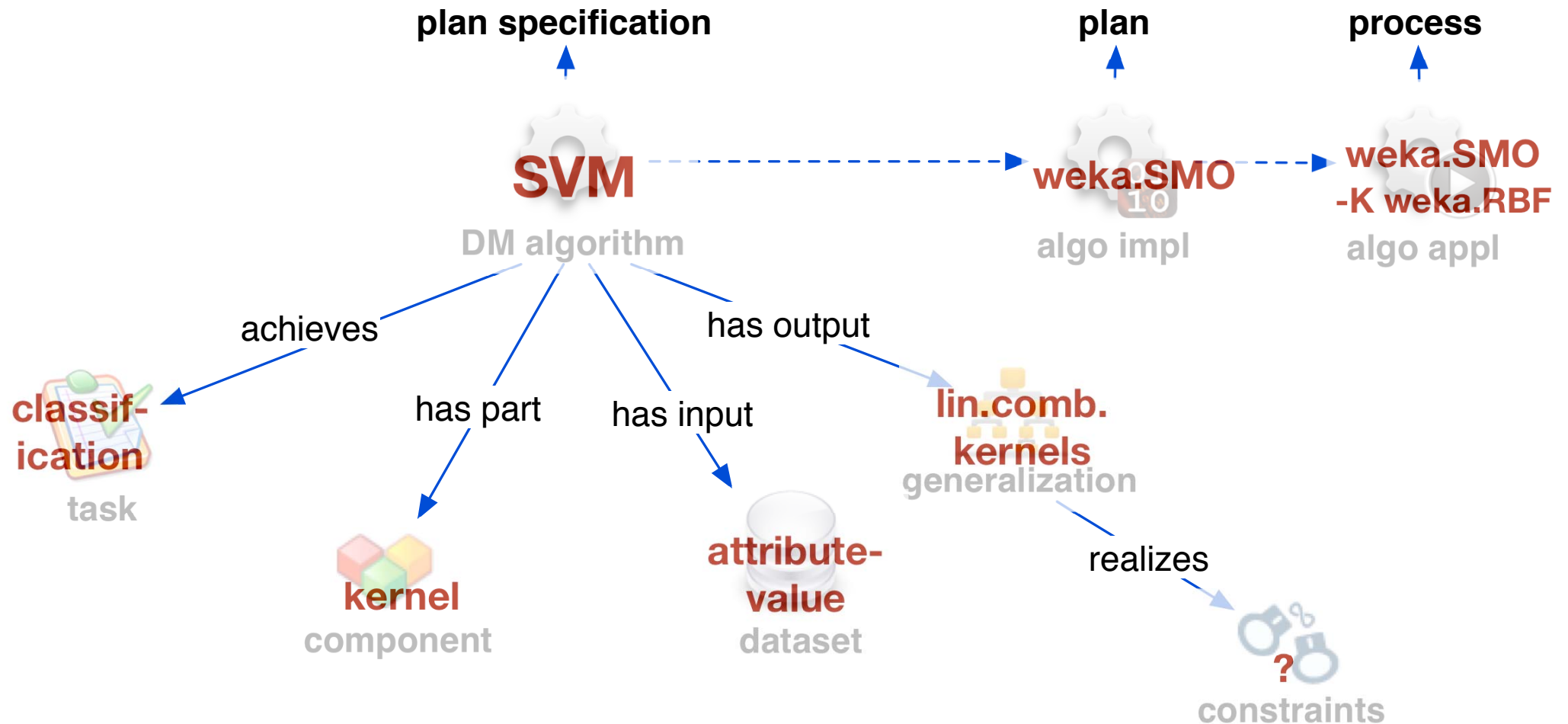
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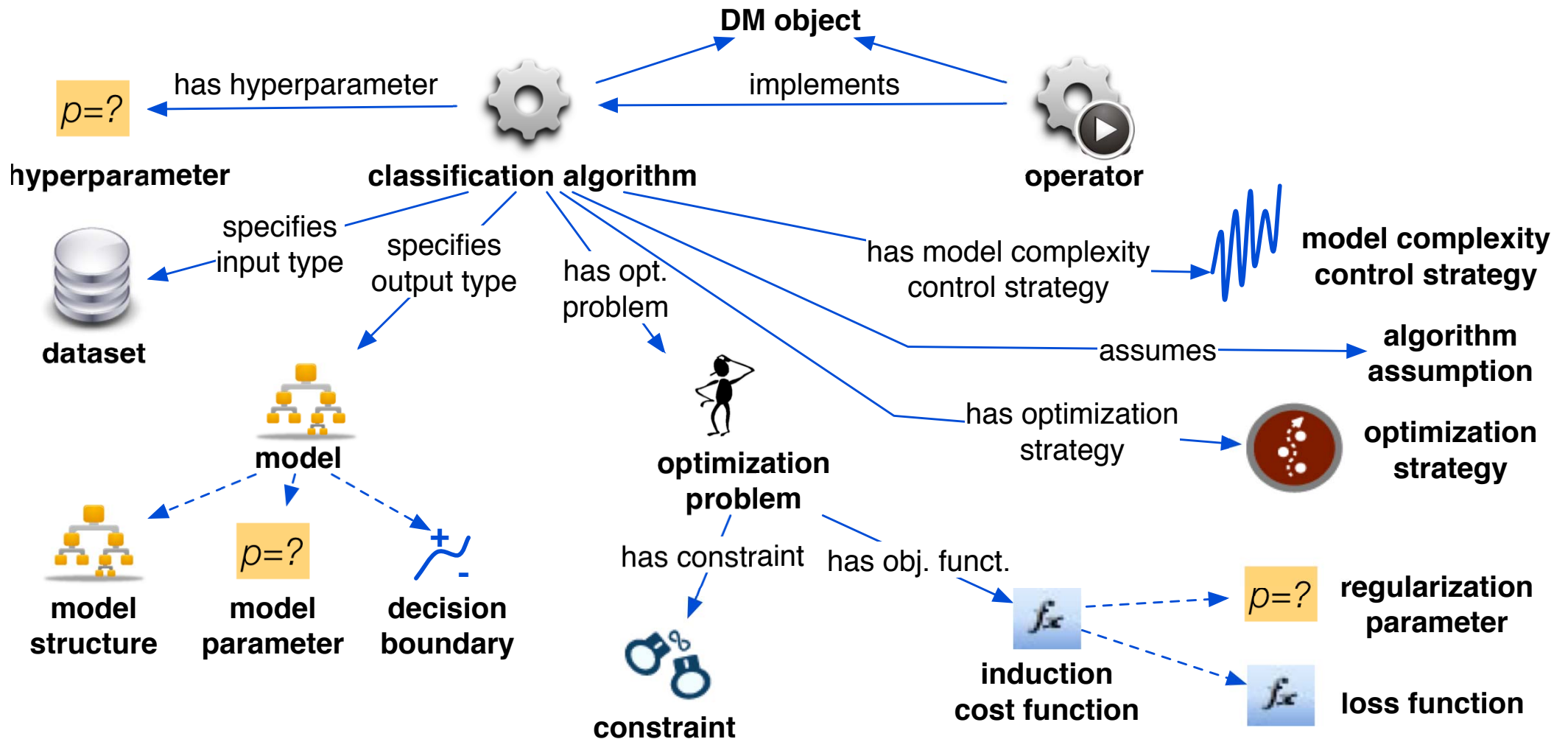
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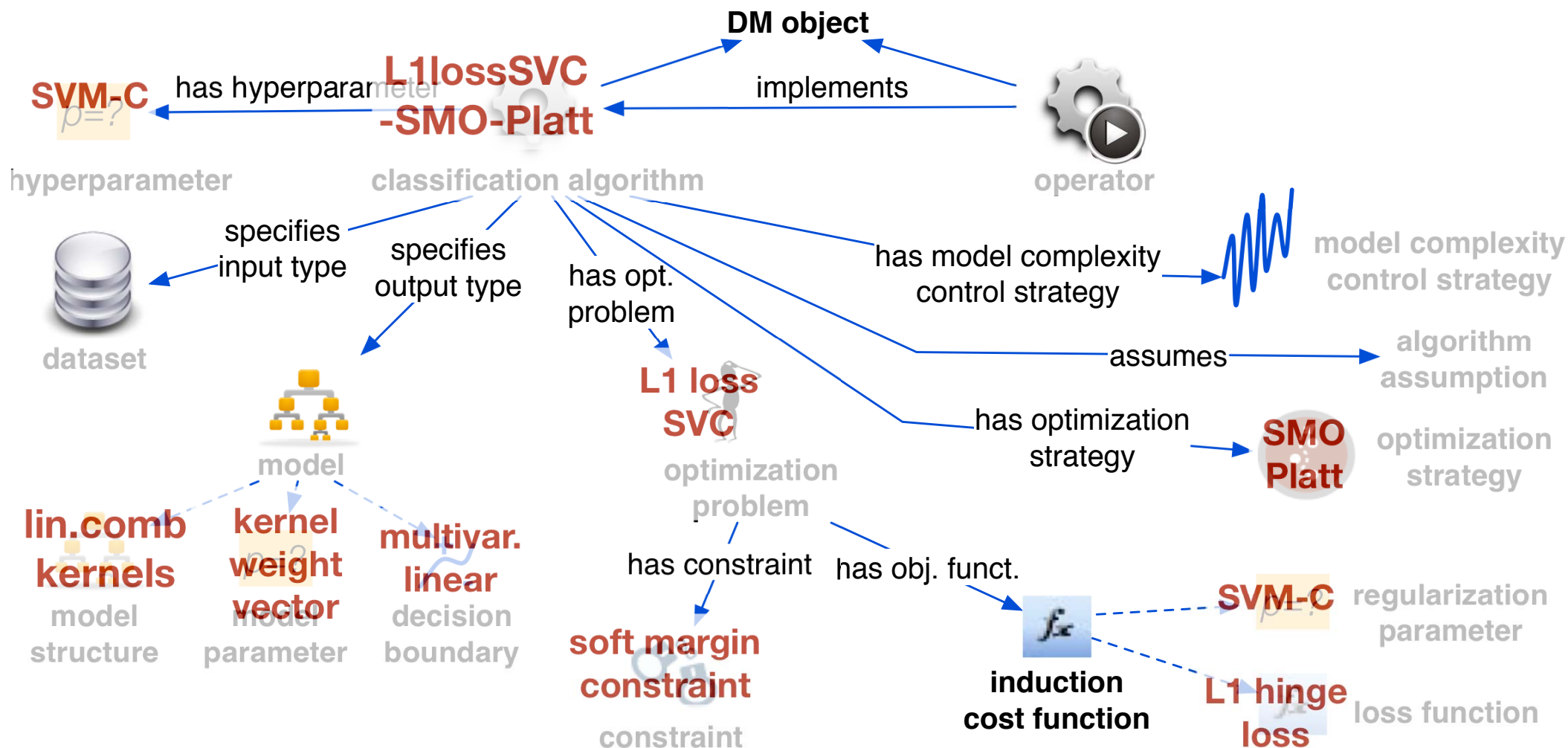
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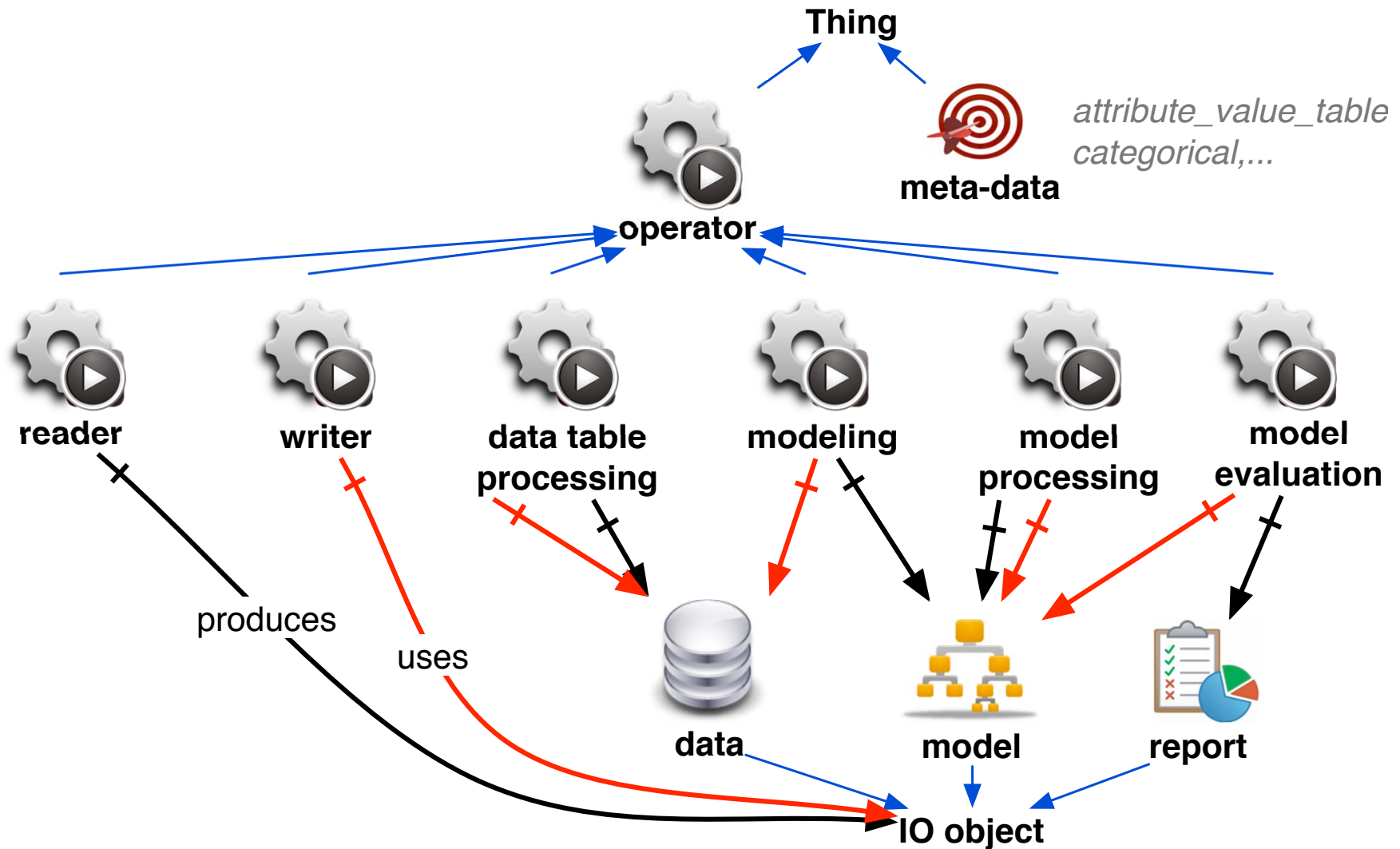
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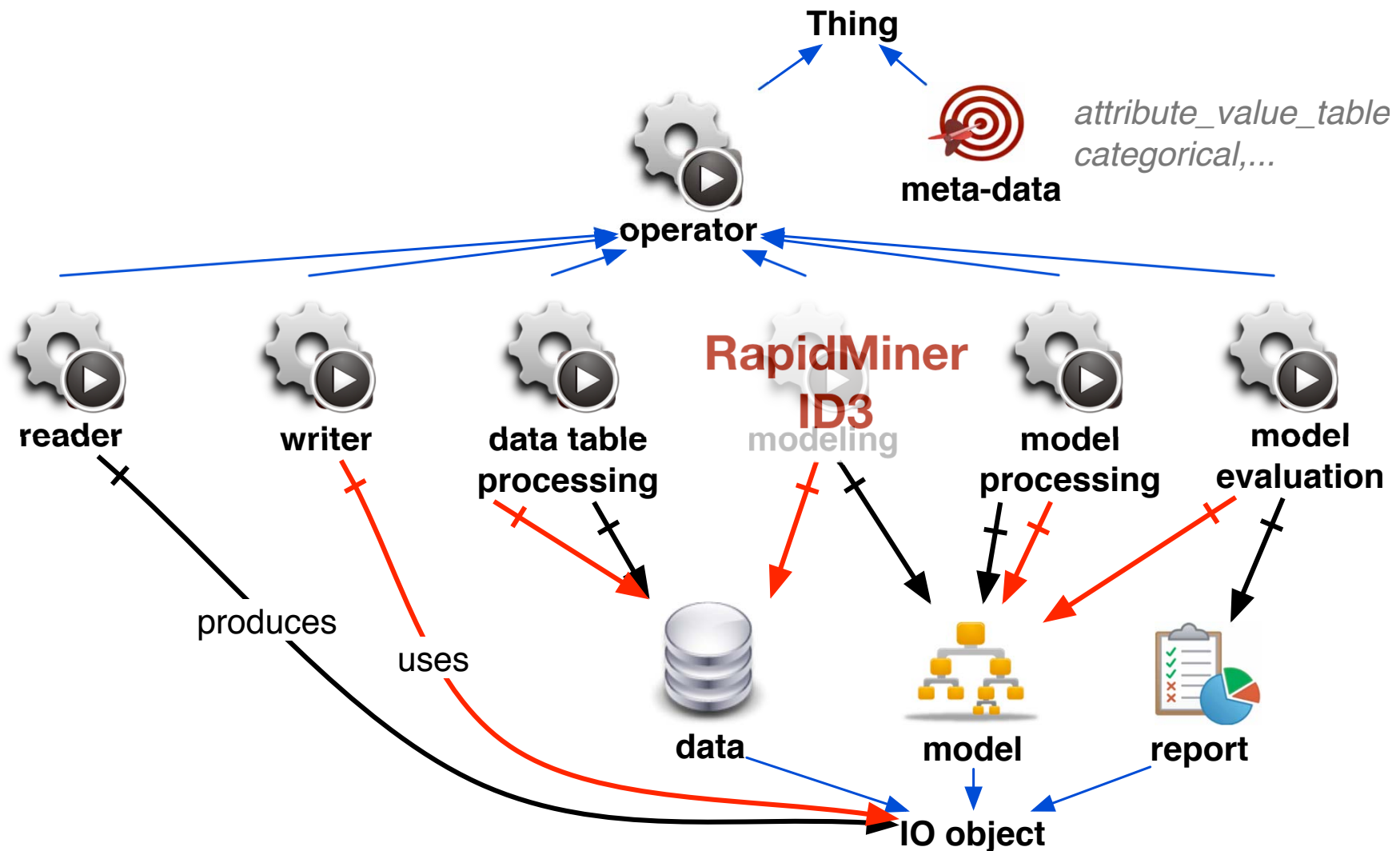
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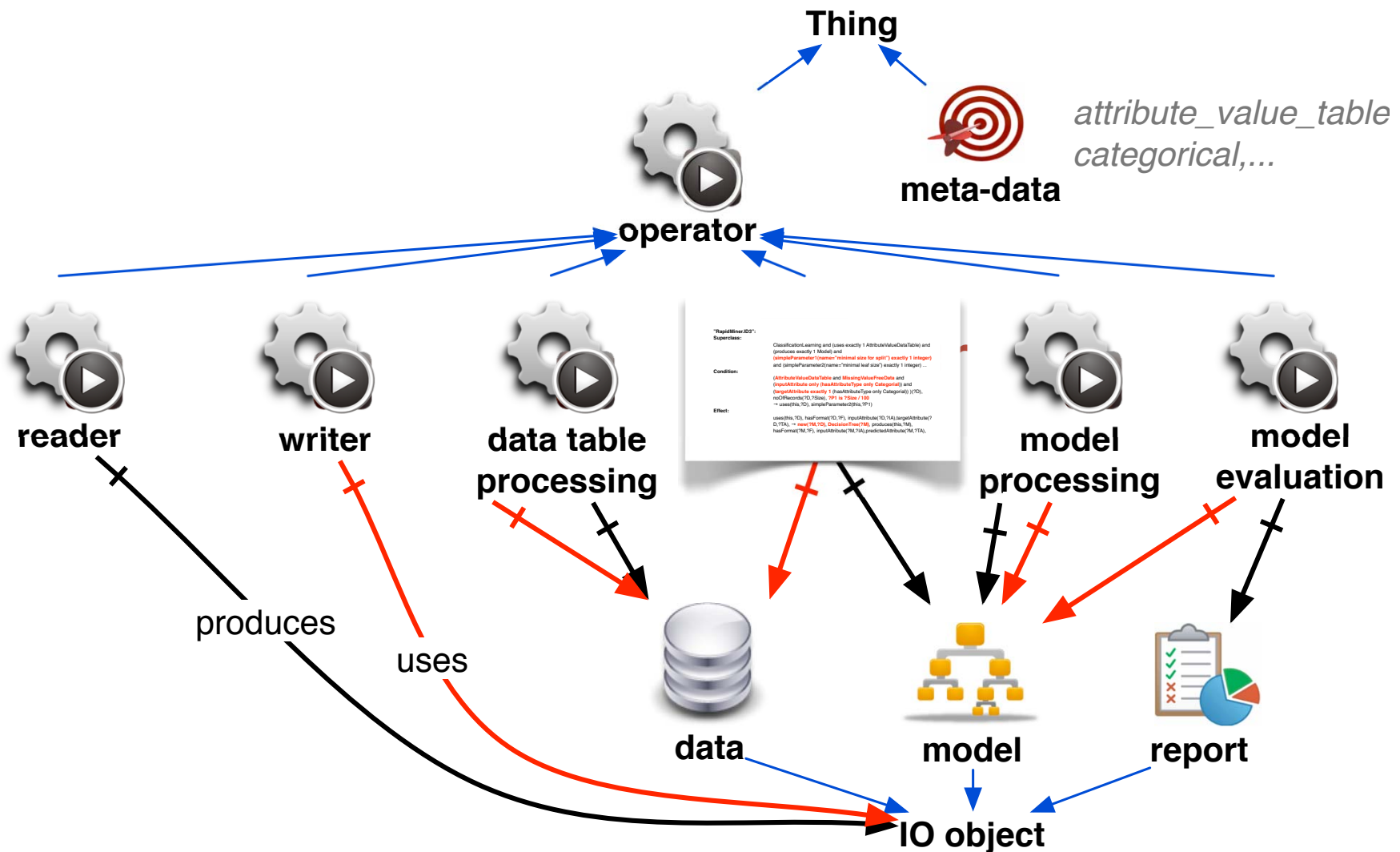
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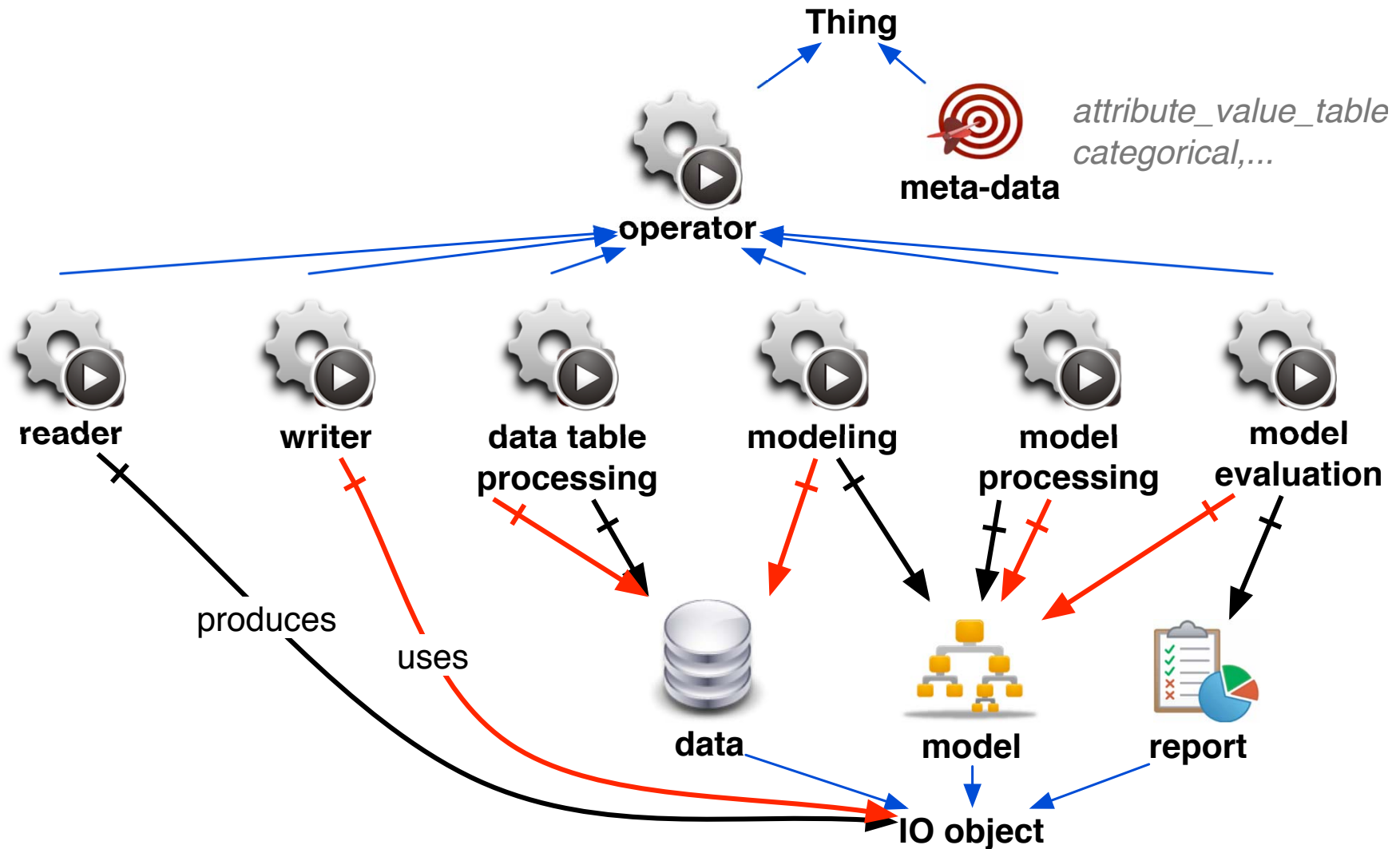
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"RapidMiner.ID3":

Superclass:

ClassificationLearning and (uses exactly 1 AttributeValueDataTable) and (produces exactly 1 Model) and **(simpleParameter1(name="minimal size for split") exactly 1 integer)** and (simpleParameter2(name="minimal leaf size") exactly 1 integer) ...

Condition:

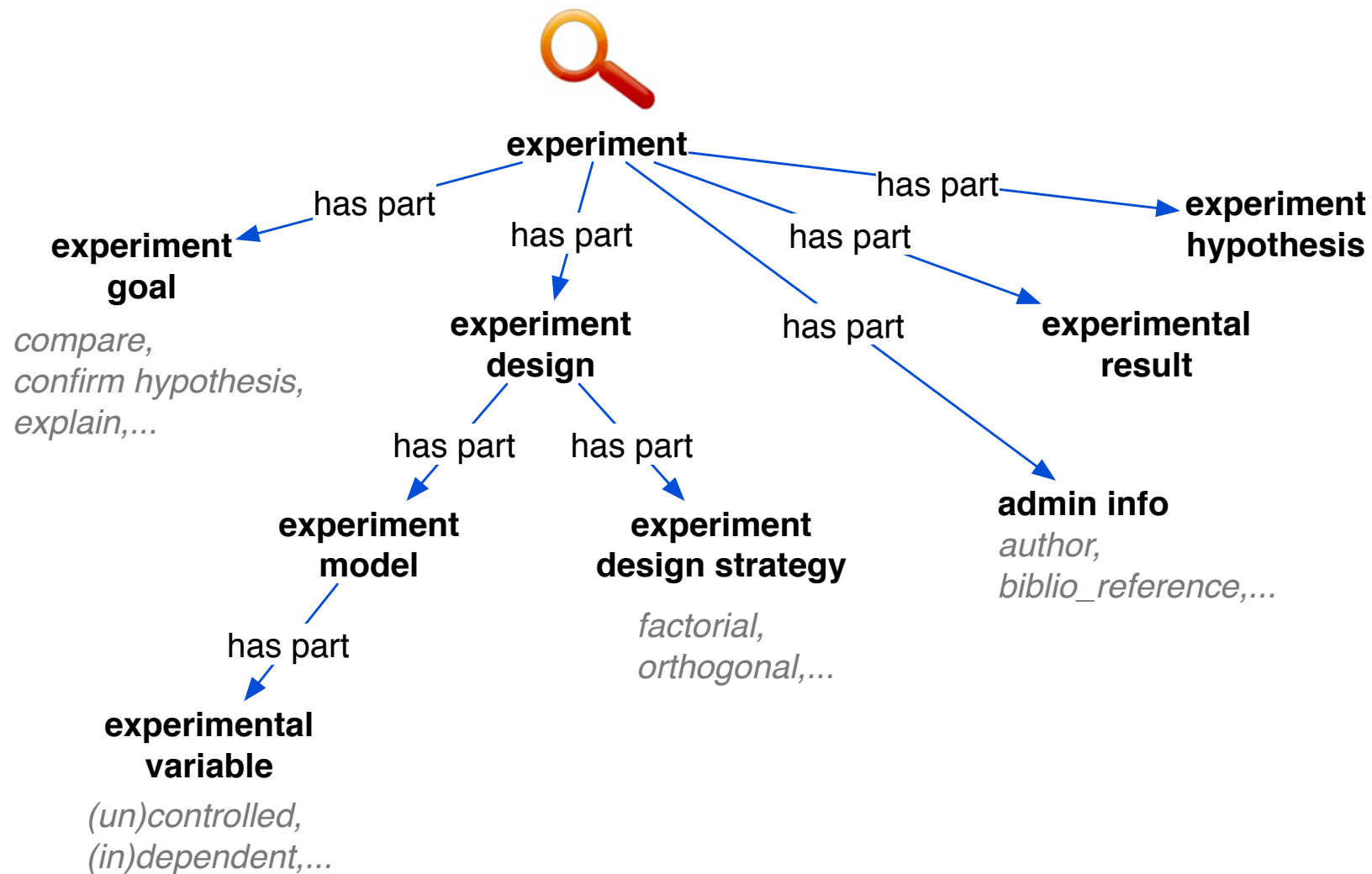
(**AttributeValueDataTable** and **MissingValueFreeData** and **(inputAttribute only (hasAttributeType only Categorical))**) and **(targetAttribute exactly 1 (hasAttributeType only Categorical))**)(?D), noOfRecords(?D,?Size), **?P1 is ?Size / 100**
→ uses(this,?D), simpleParameter2(this,?P1)

Effect:

uses(this,?D), hasFormat(?D,?F), inputAttribute(?D,?IA),targetAttribute(?D,?TA),
→ **new(?M,?D), DecisionTree(?M)**, produces(this,?M), hasFormat(?M,?F), inputAttribute(?M,?IA),predictedAttribute(?M,?TA),

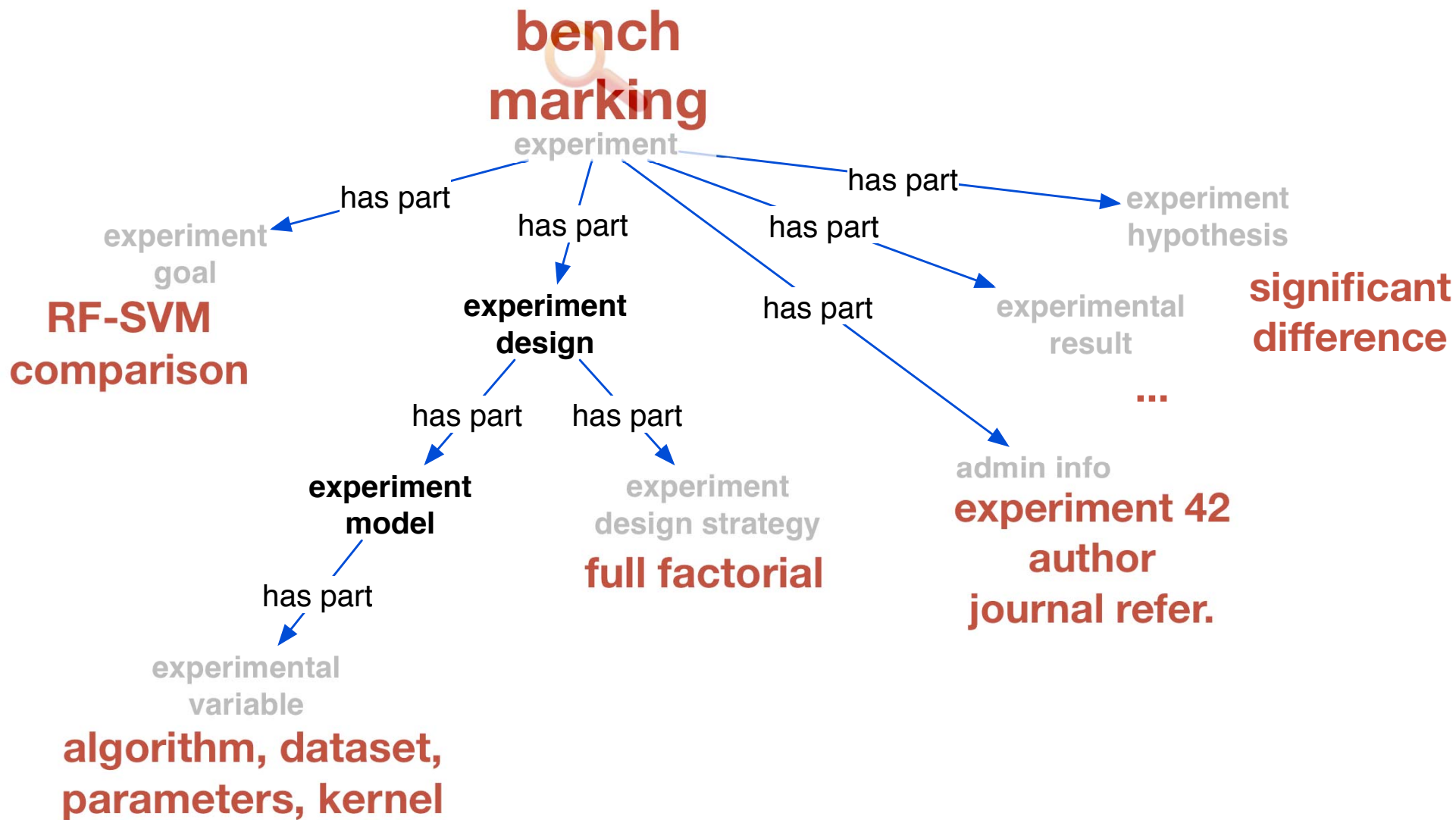
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Exposé

an ontology for data mining experimentation

Context

- Giant, public database(s) of data mining experiments
- We need:
 - Common language to share experiments (through DM tools)
 - Intuitive ways to store and query experimental results
- We want:
 - Interoperable ontology: OntoDM for top-level, DMOP for detailed properties of learning algorithms
 - Driven by actual experiments submitted to database
 - New algorithms -> ideally, described by author
 - Instances automatically extracted from database

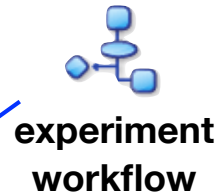
Problem 1: Experiments

What is a machine learning experiment?

What do we need to know about it?

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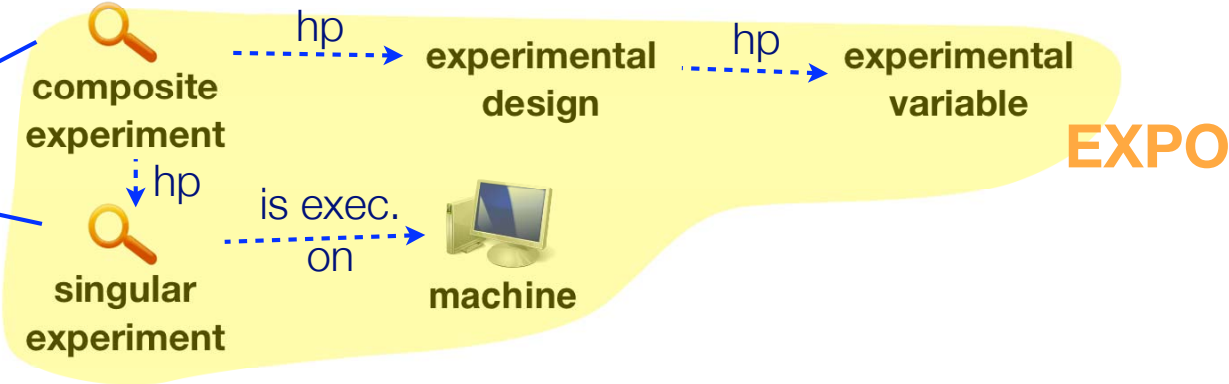
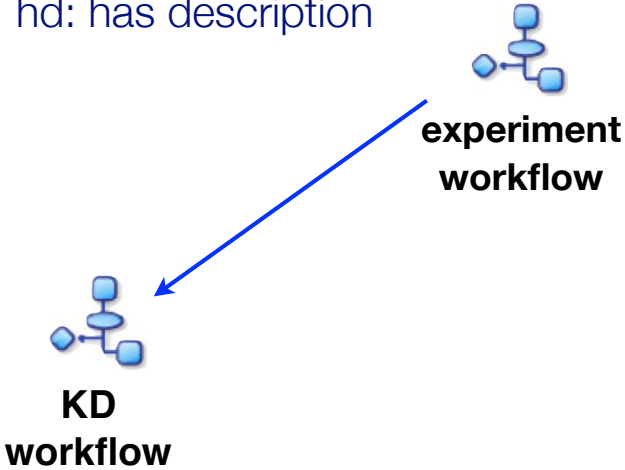
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has inputs, outputs,
operators (participants)

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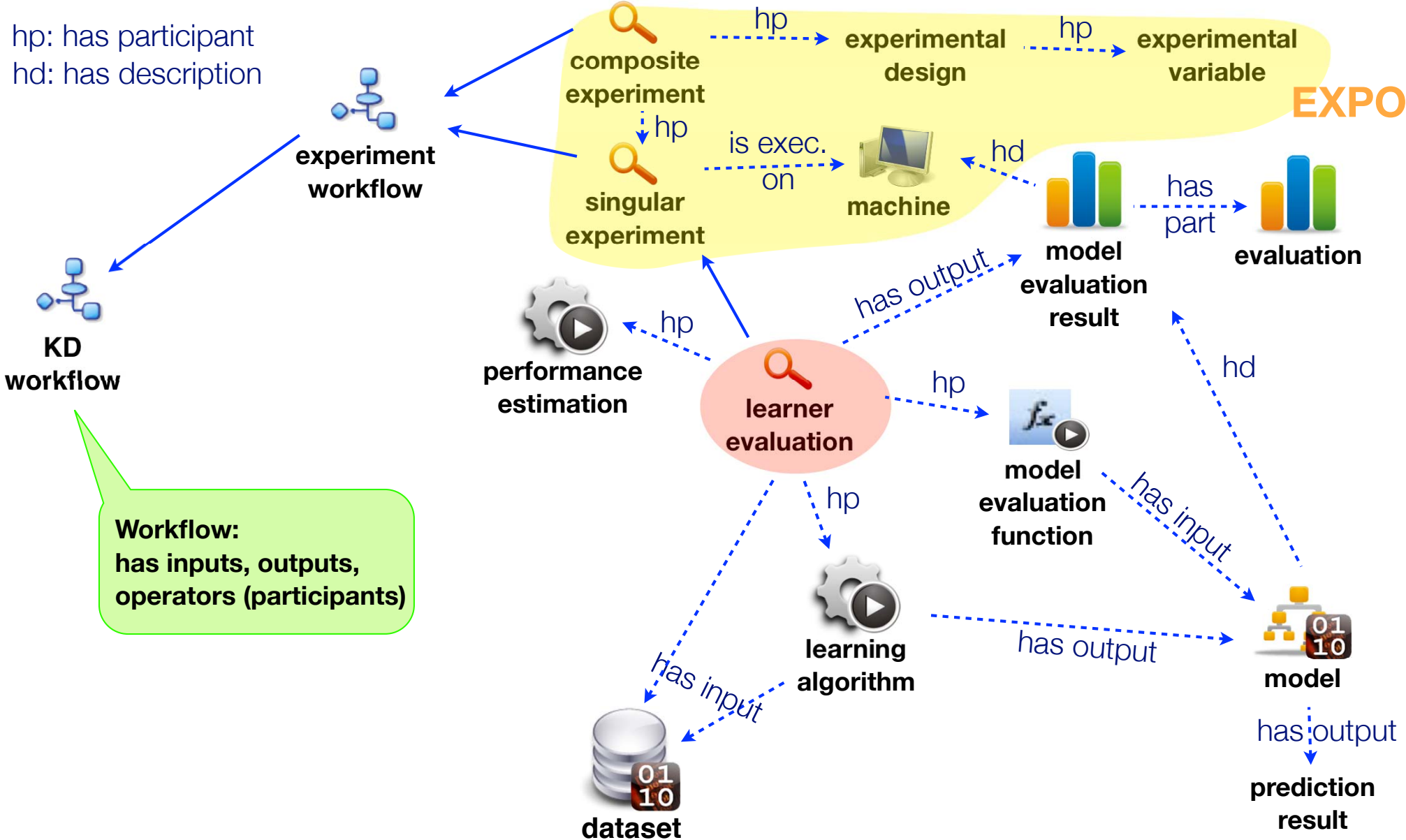
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Problem 2: Algorithms

When talking about an algorithm, what is meant?

General algorithm?

Specific implementation? Which version?

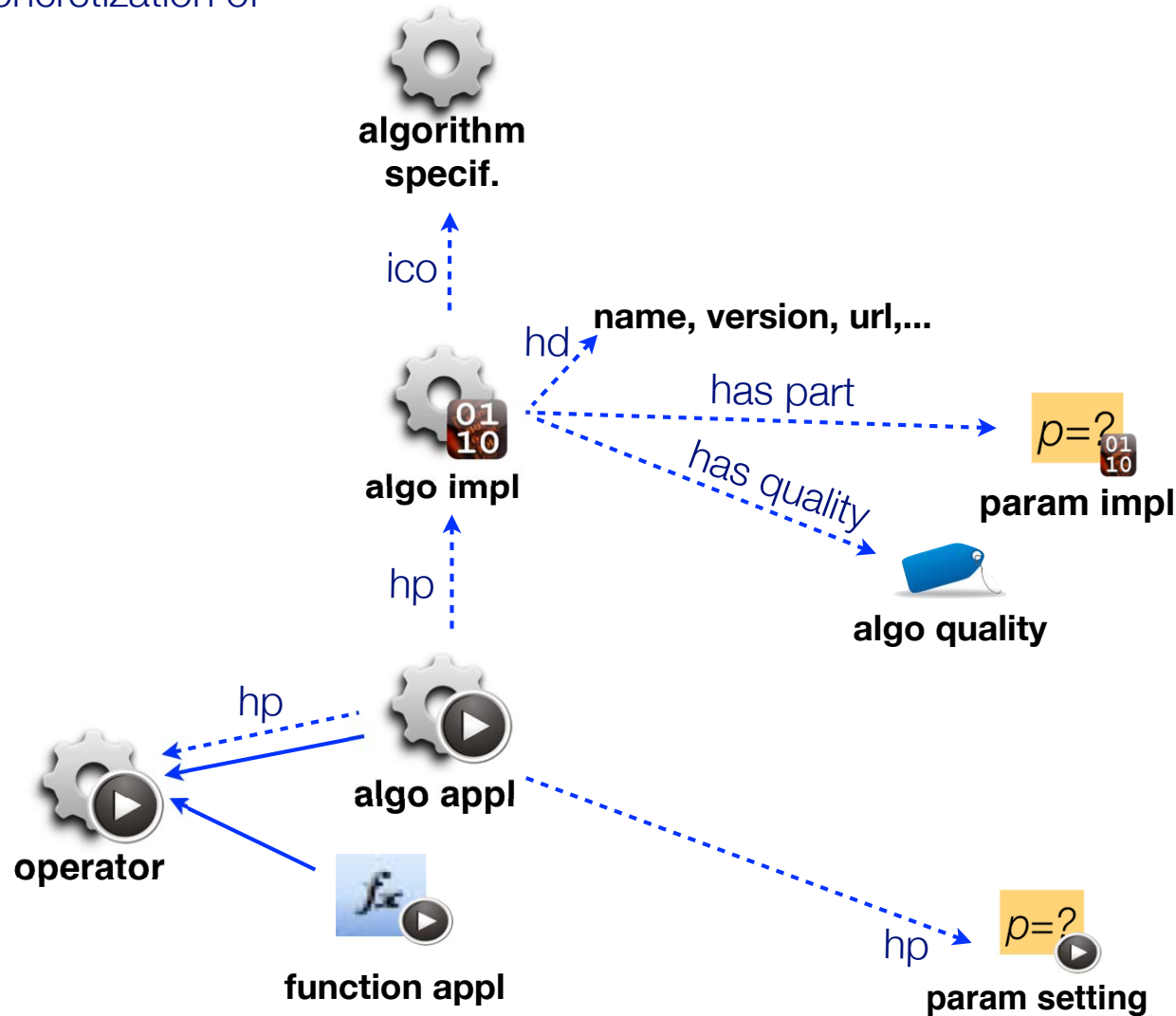
When run, which parameters, components?

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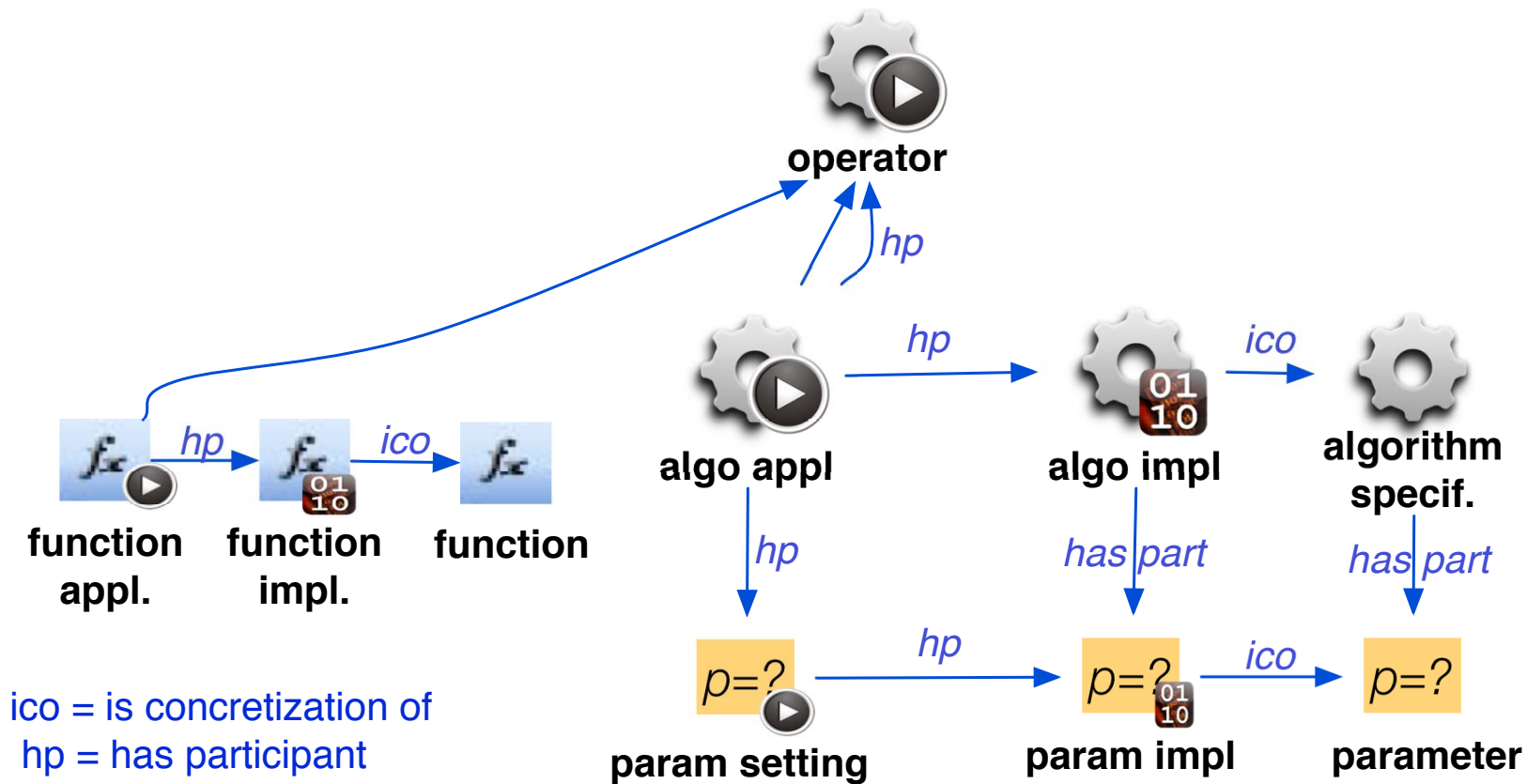
Specification, implementation, application

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ico: is concretization of

Similar to OntoDM



Same for functions and parameters



Problem 3:

Algorithm composition

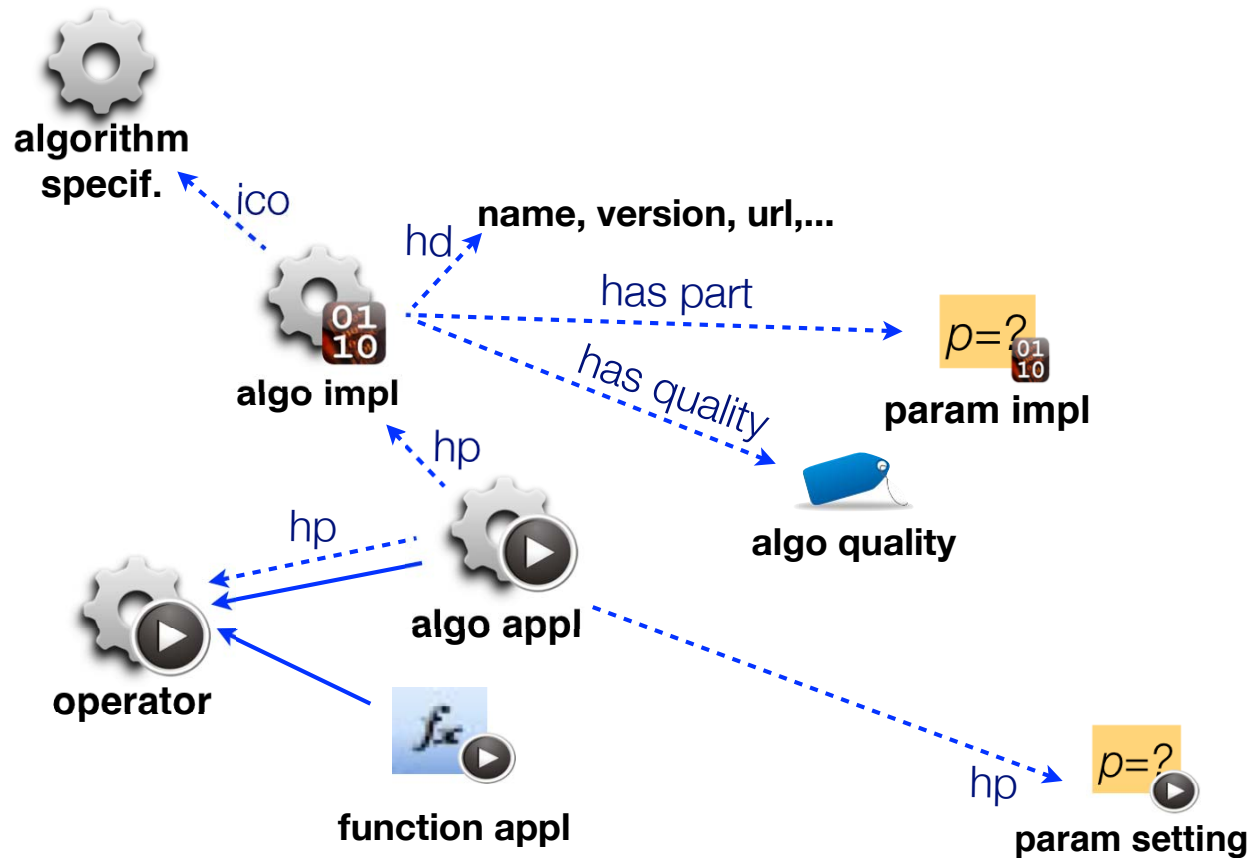
plug-in functions, kernels, other algorithms

such components play different roles

-> Agent-role pattern

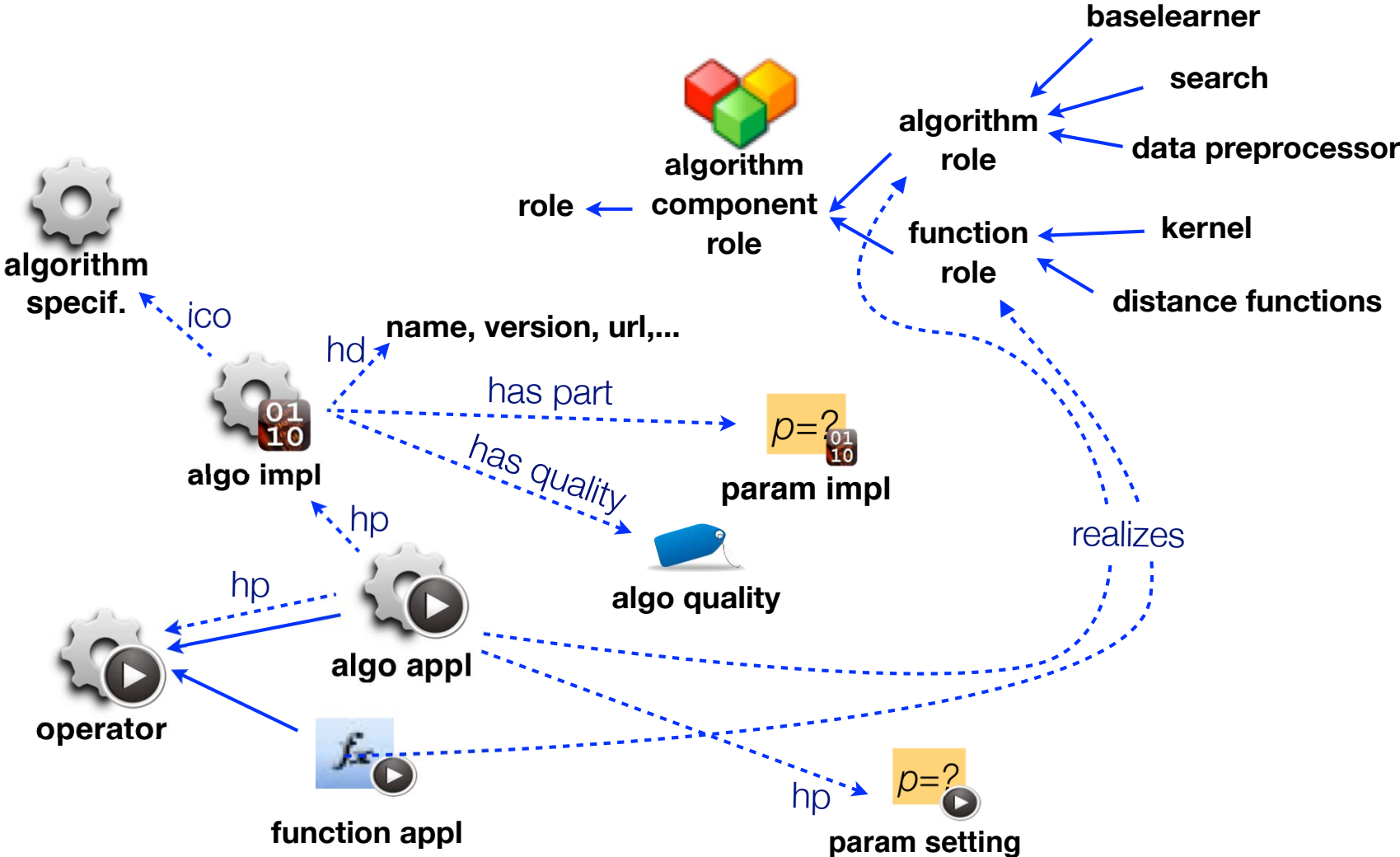
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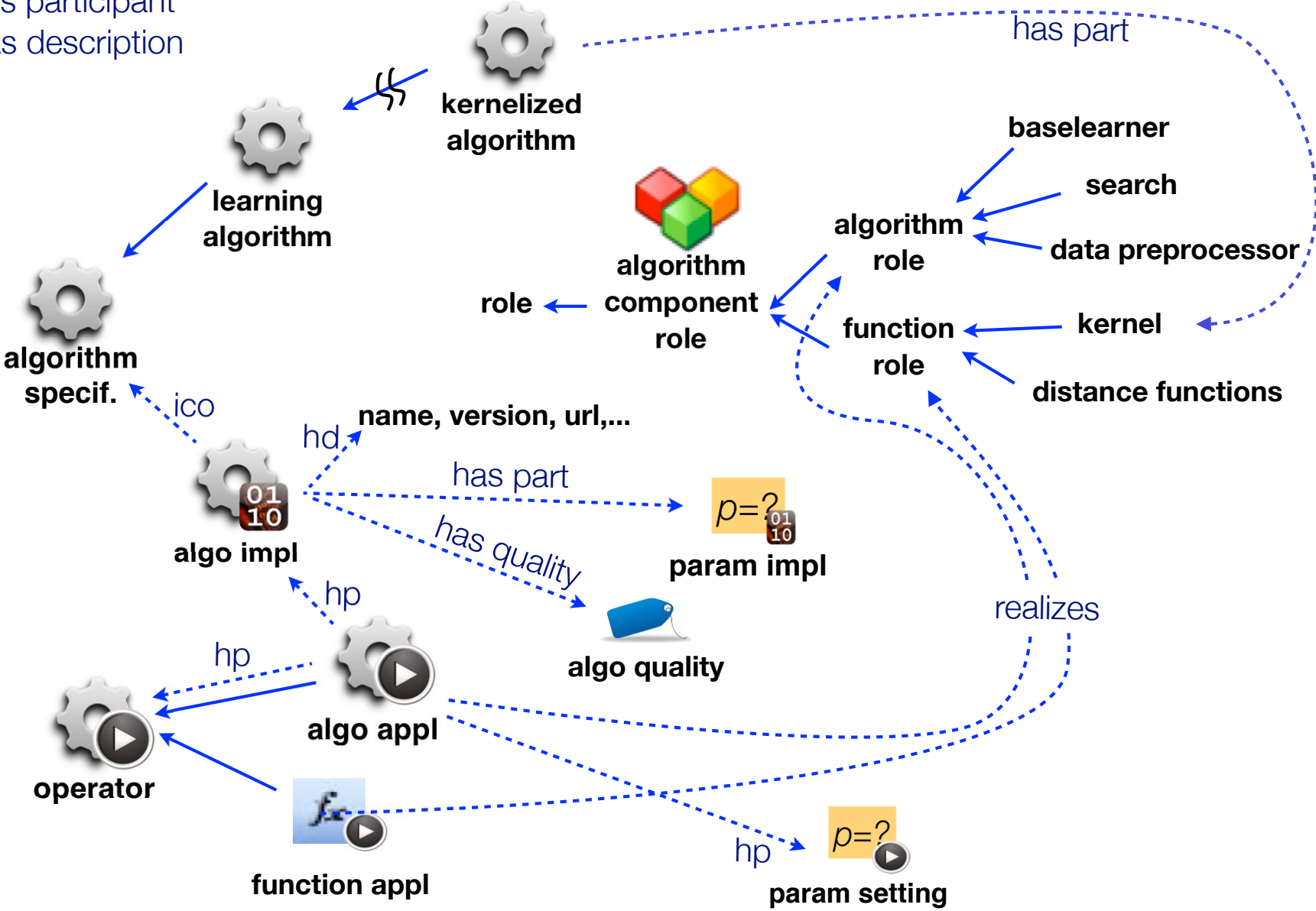
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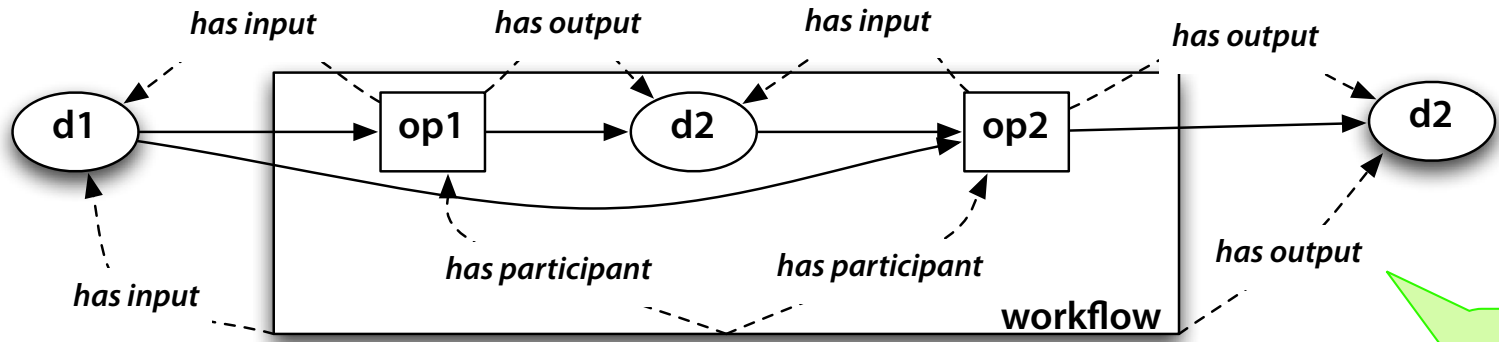
Problem 4: Workflows

Inputs, outputs, operators

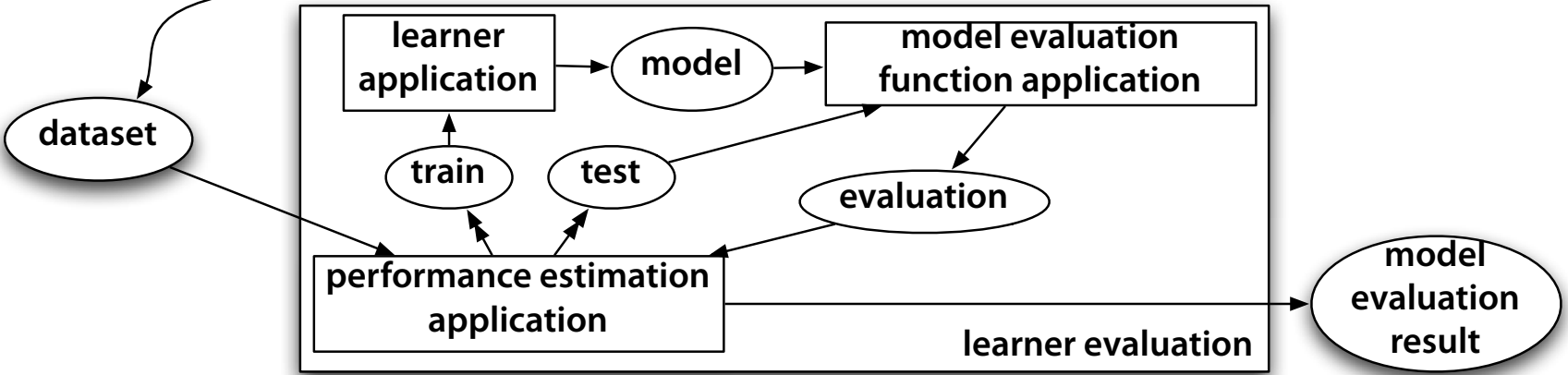
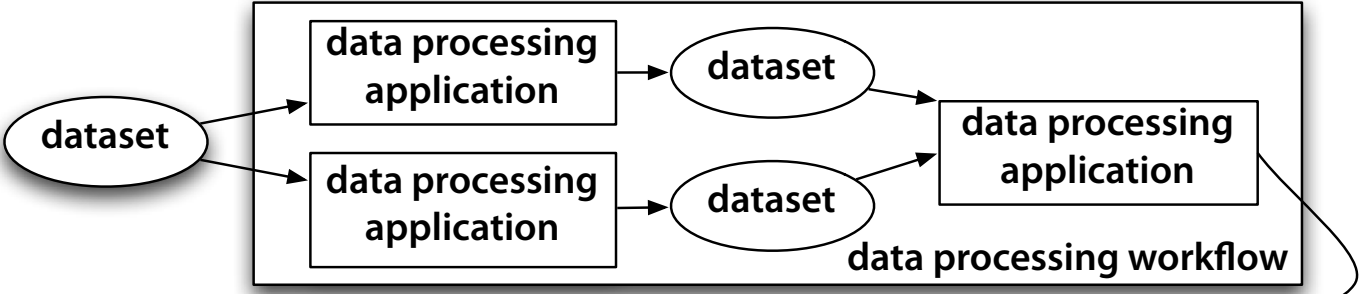
Hierarchical: workflows within workflows

Reuse, parameterize common workflows, e.g. k-fold CV

Exposé: workflows



Similar to RapidMiner?



Problem 5: Reuse

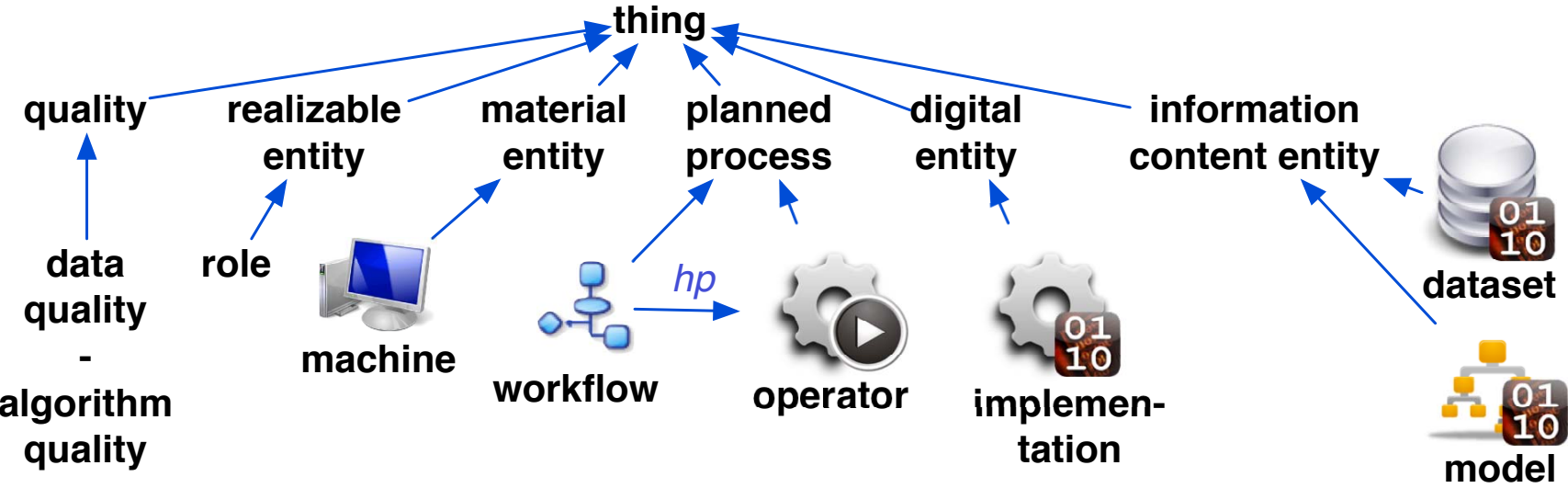
How can we make maximal use of existing ontologies?

OBI: top-level

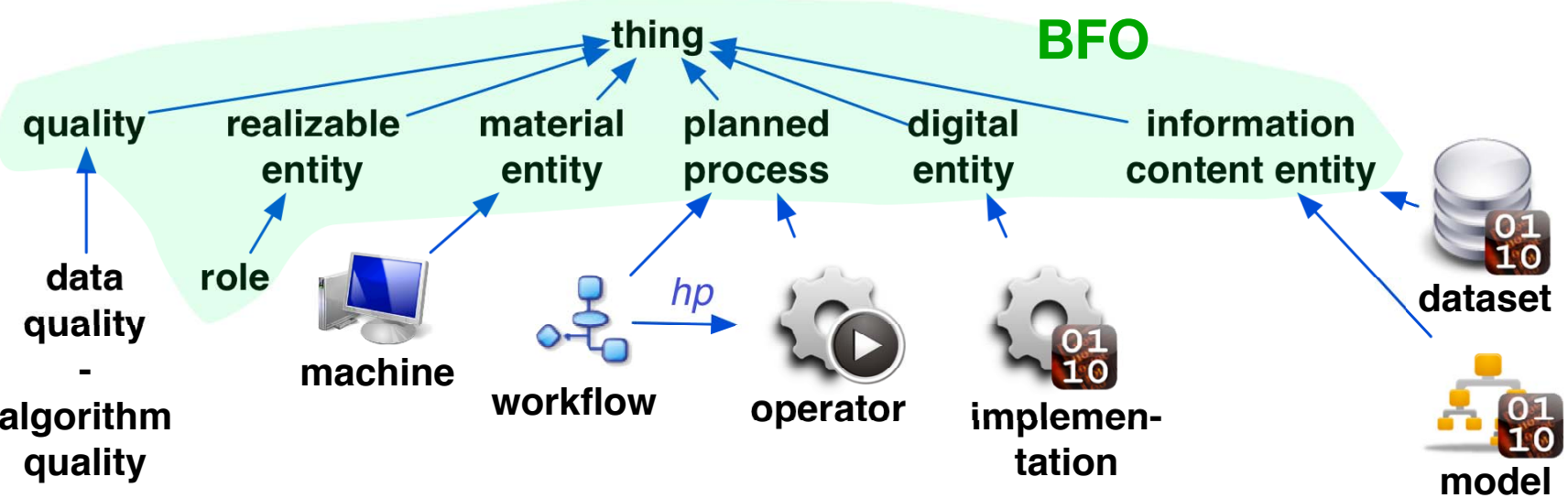
OntoDM: top-level DM concepts

DMO: operators, learning mechanisms

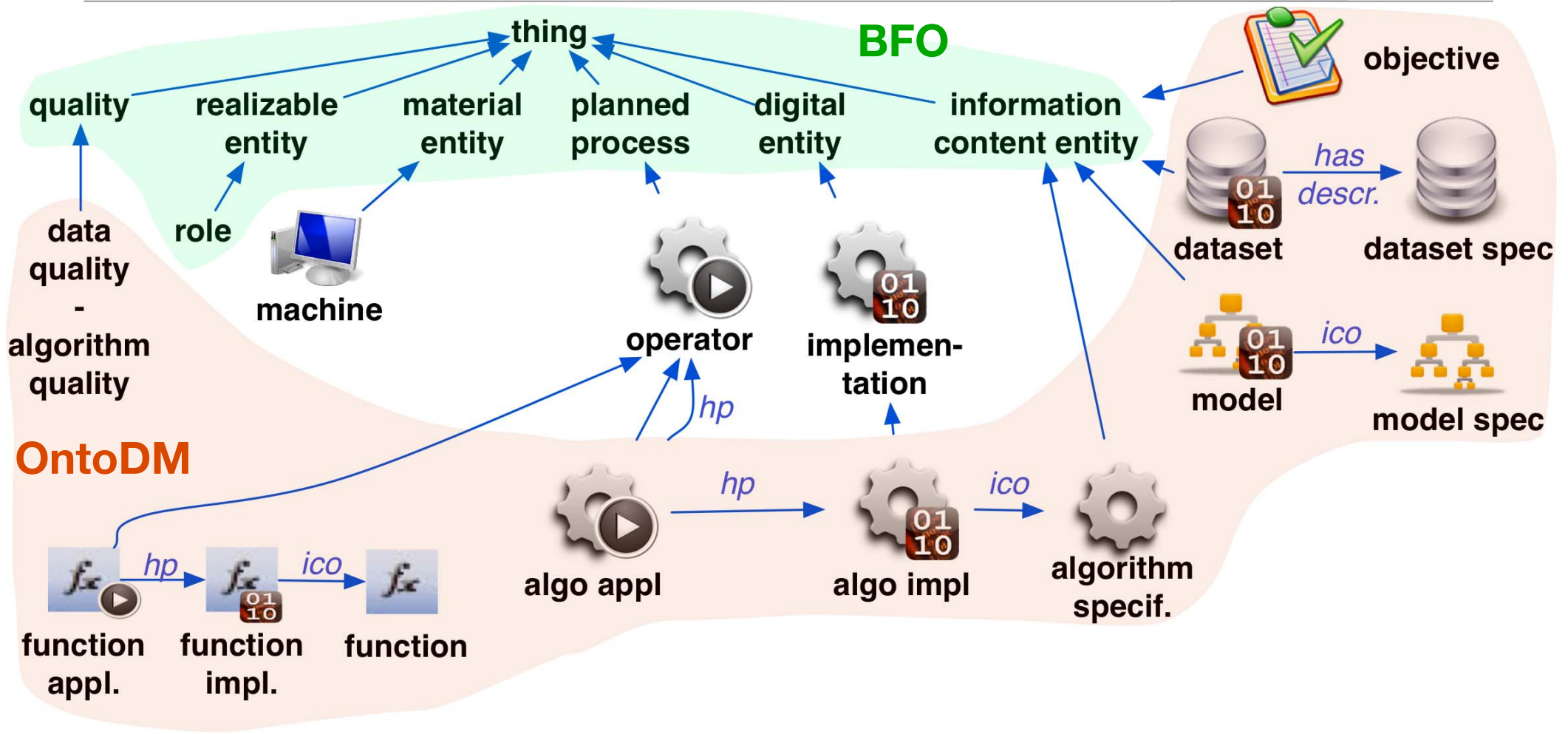
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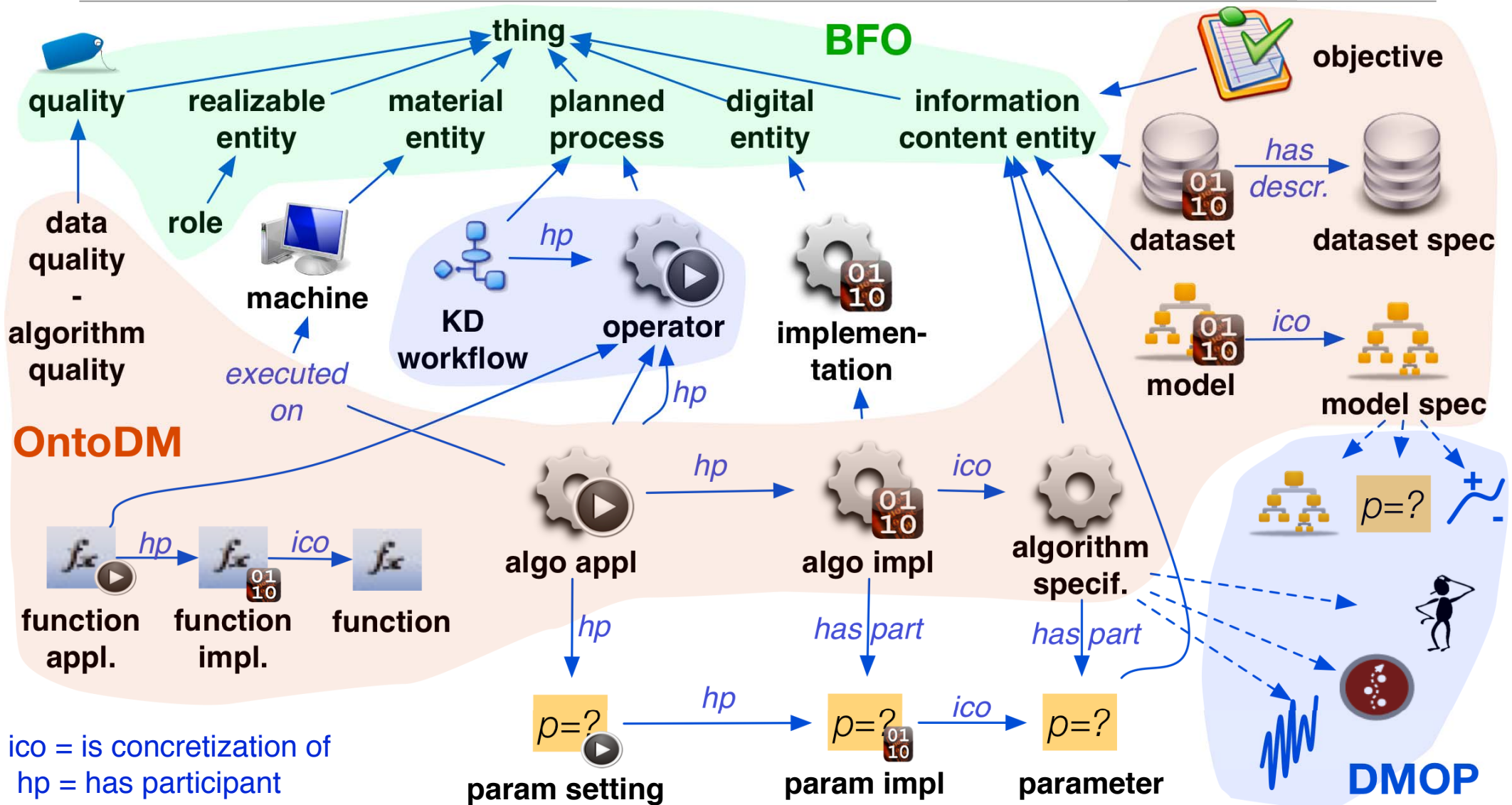


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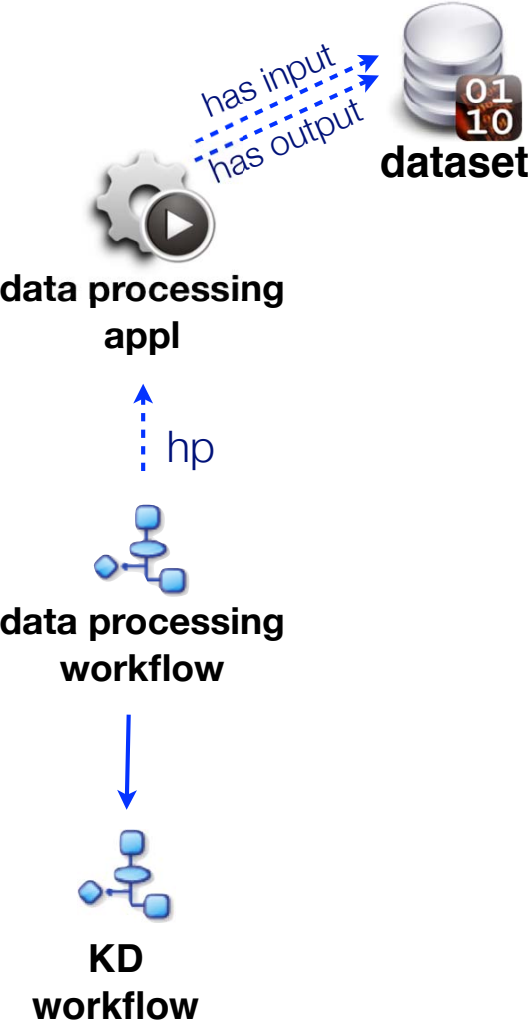
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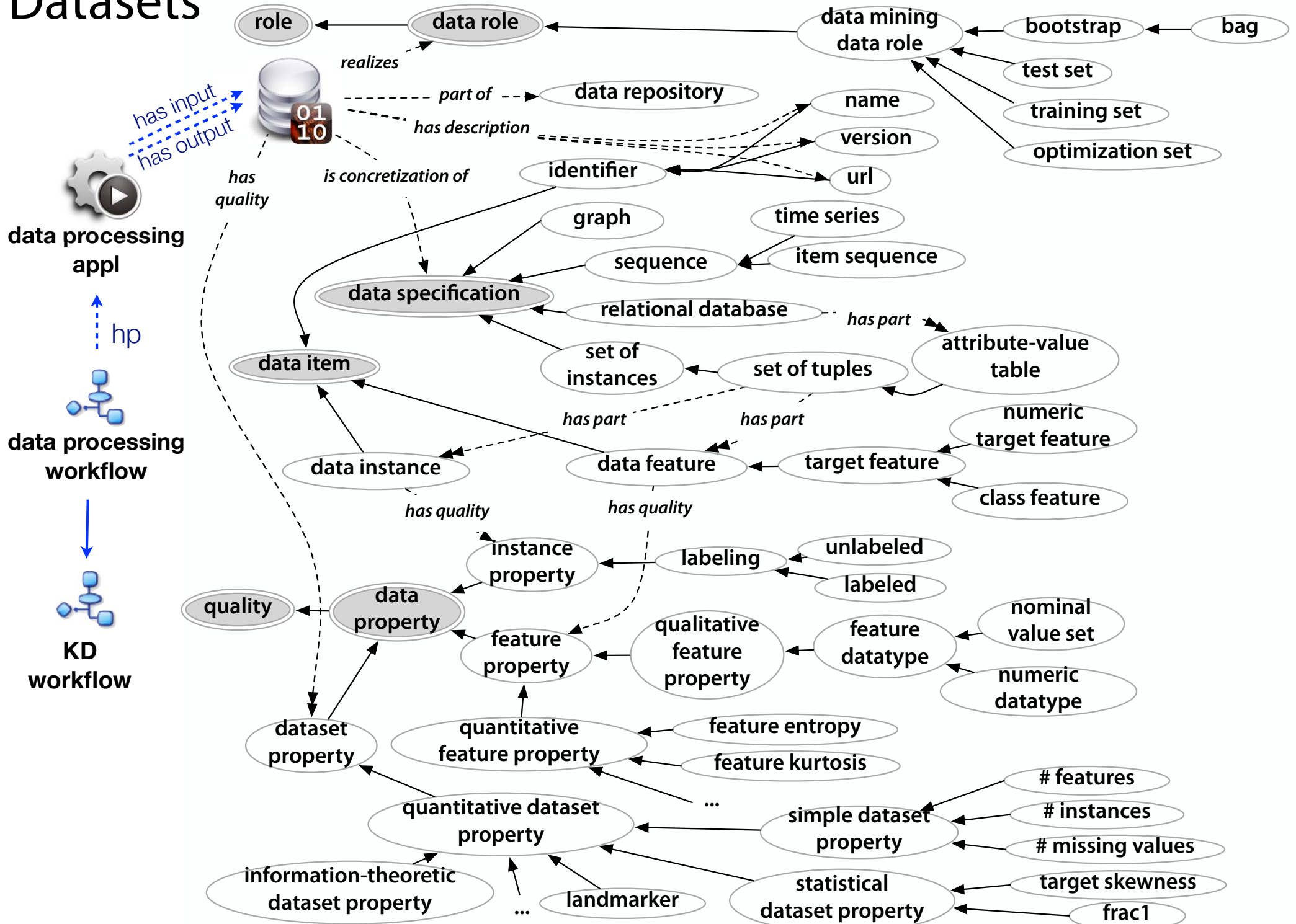


Other aspects

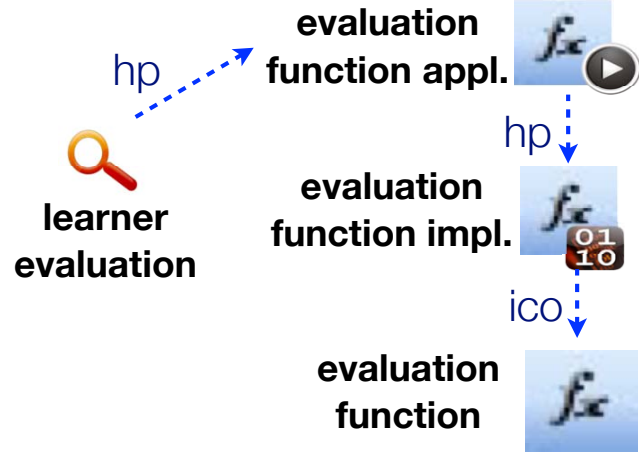
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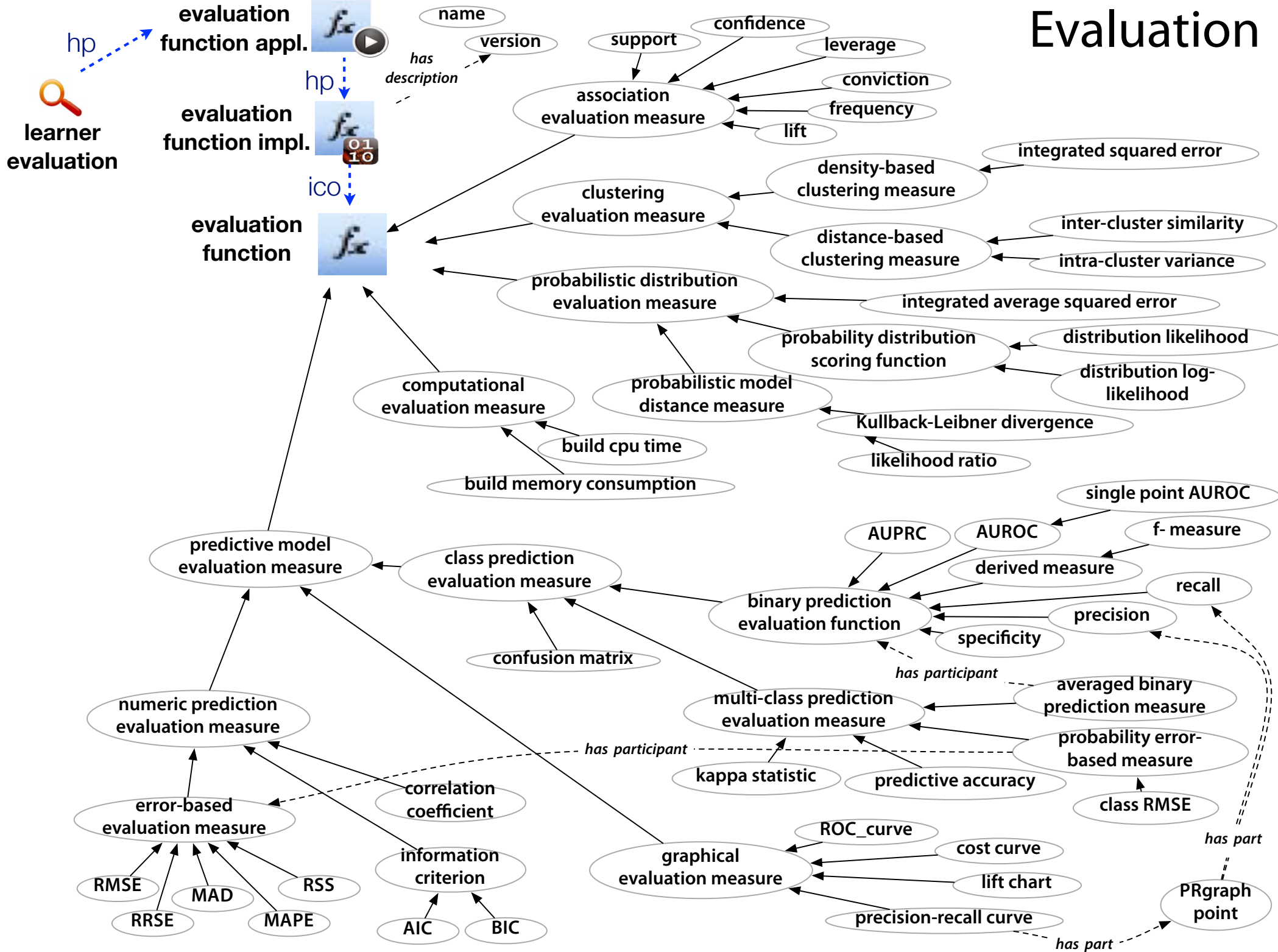
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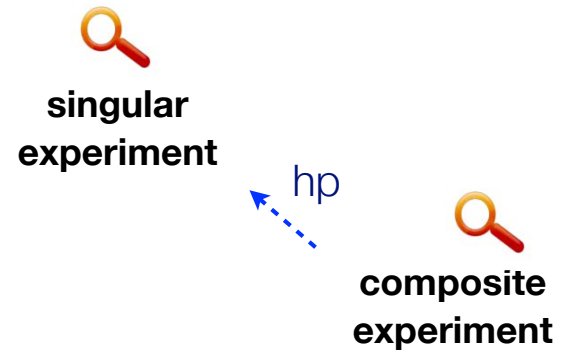
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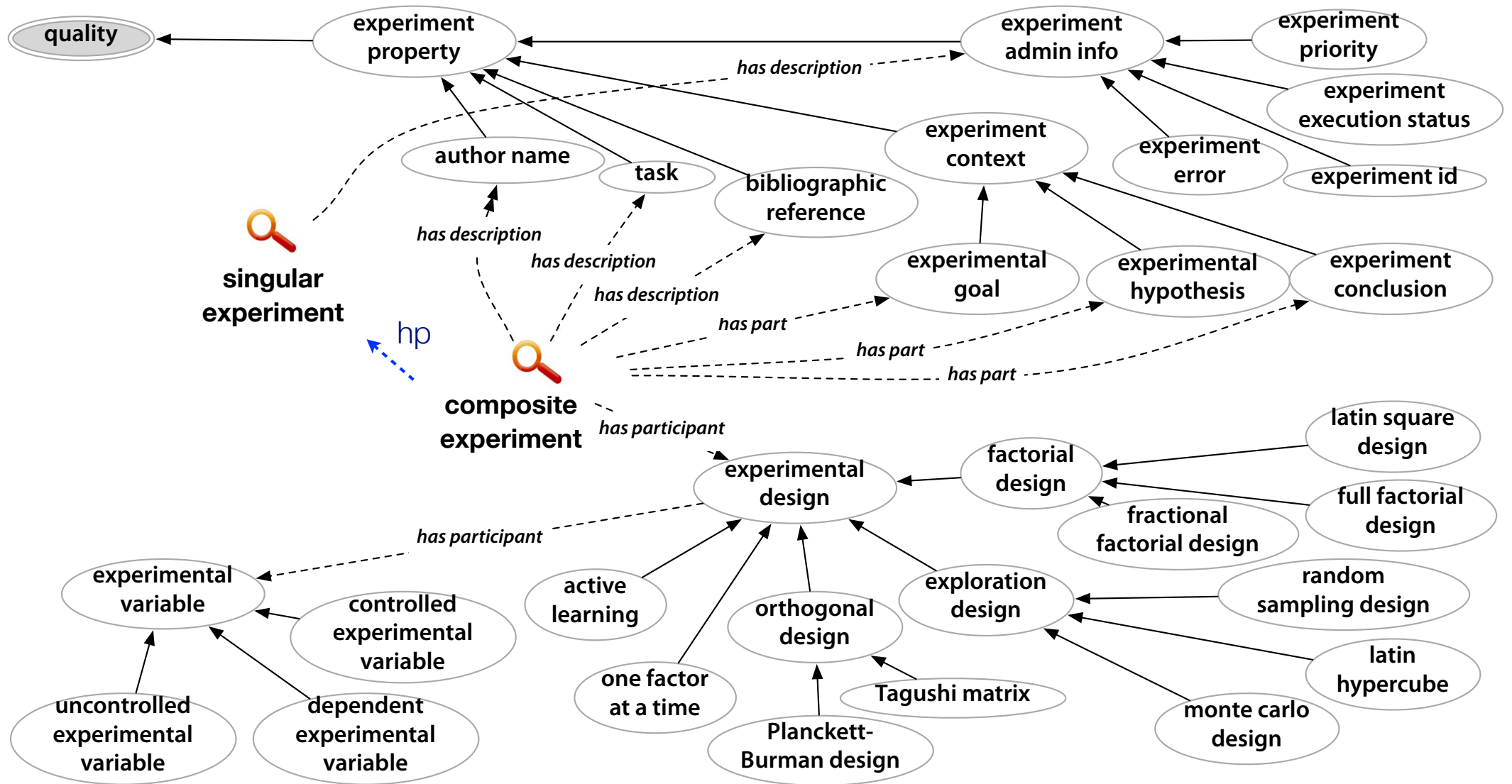
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Experiment context



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Exposé: final notes

- In total 860 classes, 32 properties (from RO + DMOP)
- Individuals: all algorithms, preprocessors, evaluation from WEKA
 - actually stored in experiment database
 - should be programmatically added (and updated)
- Written in OWL-DL, using Protégé 4.0
- Can be browsed at:
 - <http://expdb.cs.kuleuven.be/expdb/expose.owl>
 - <http://www.e-lico.eu/OWLBrowser2/manage/>

Use Cases

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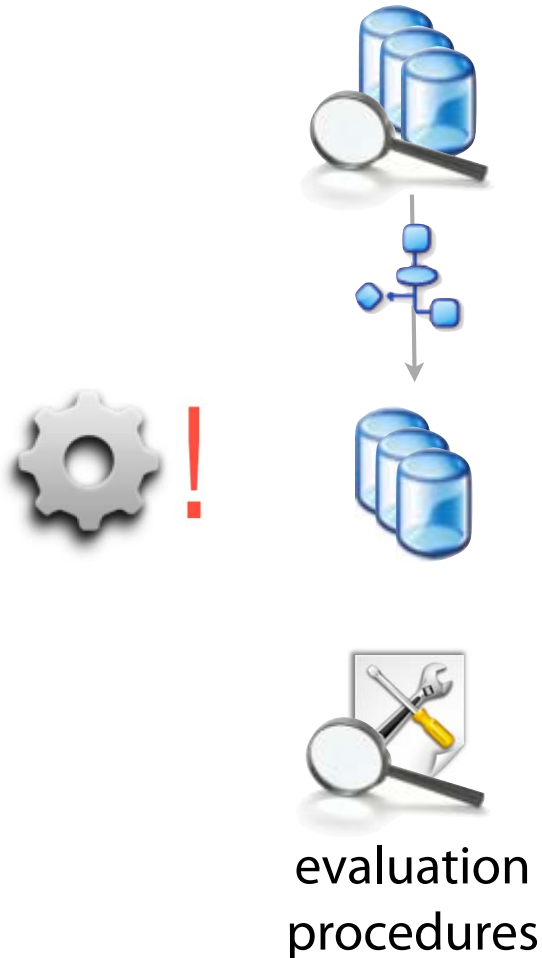


preprocessing
workflows



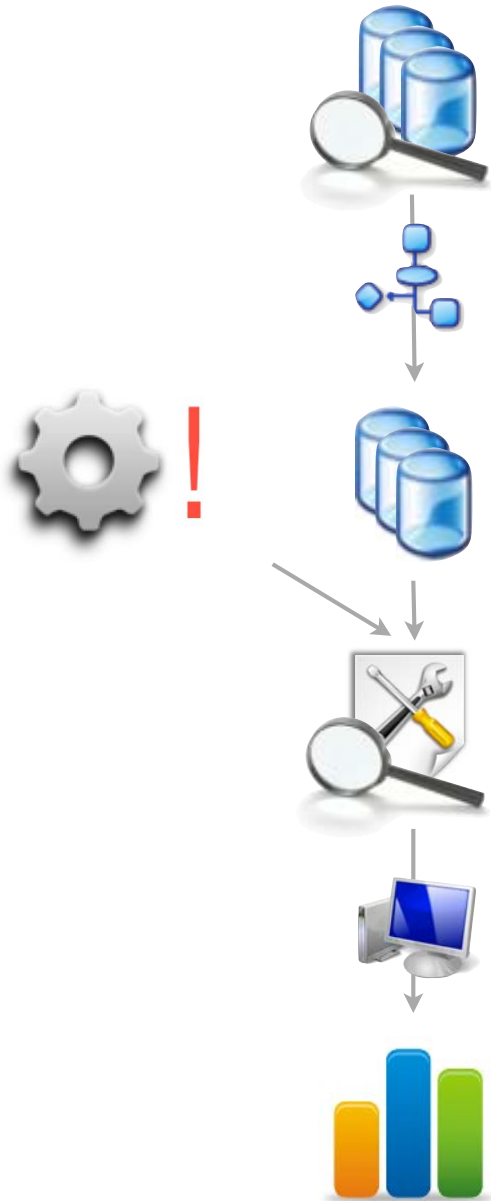
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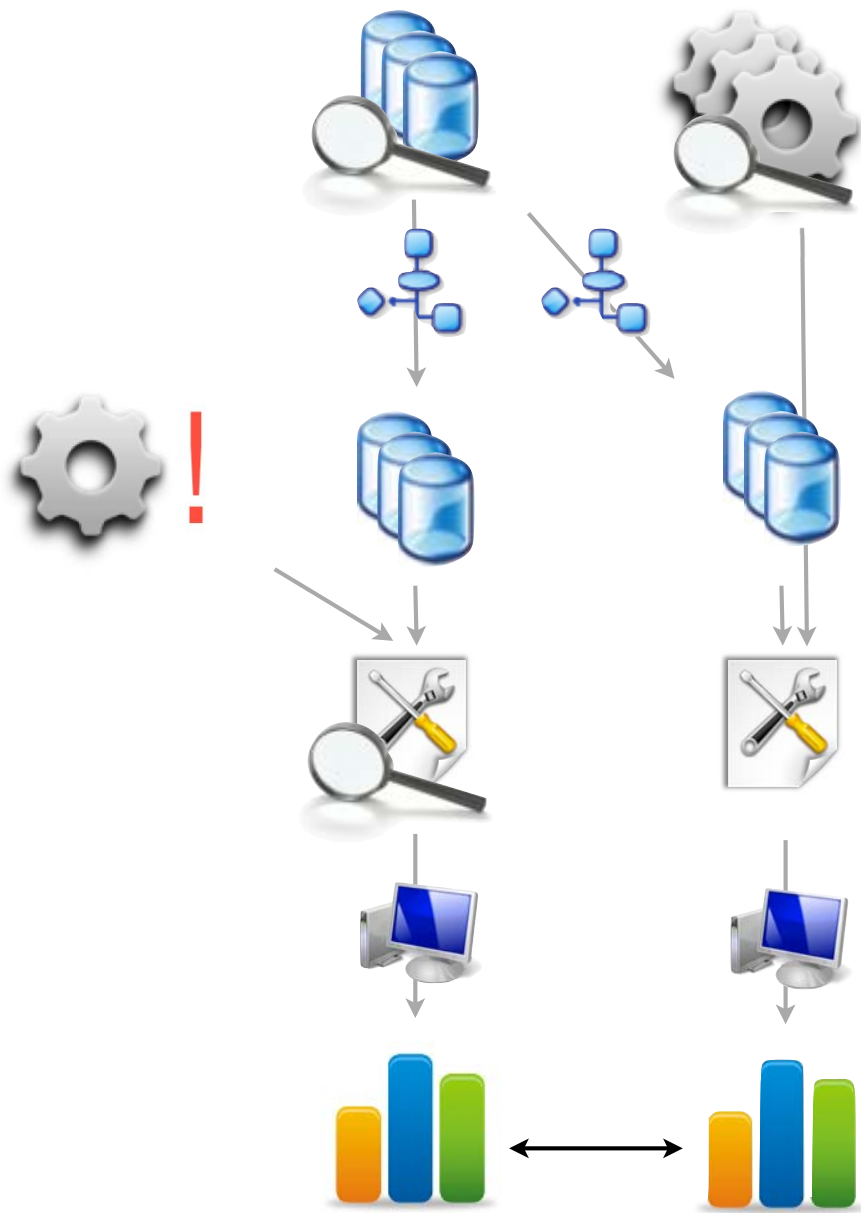
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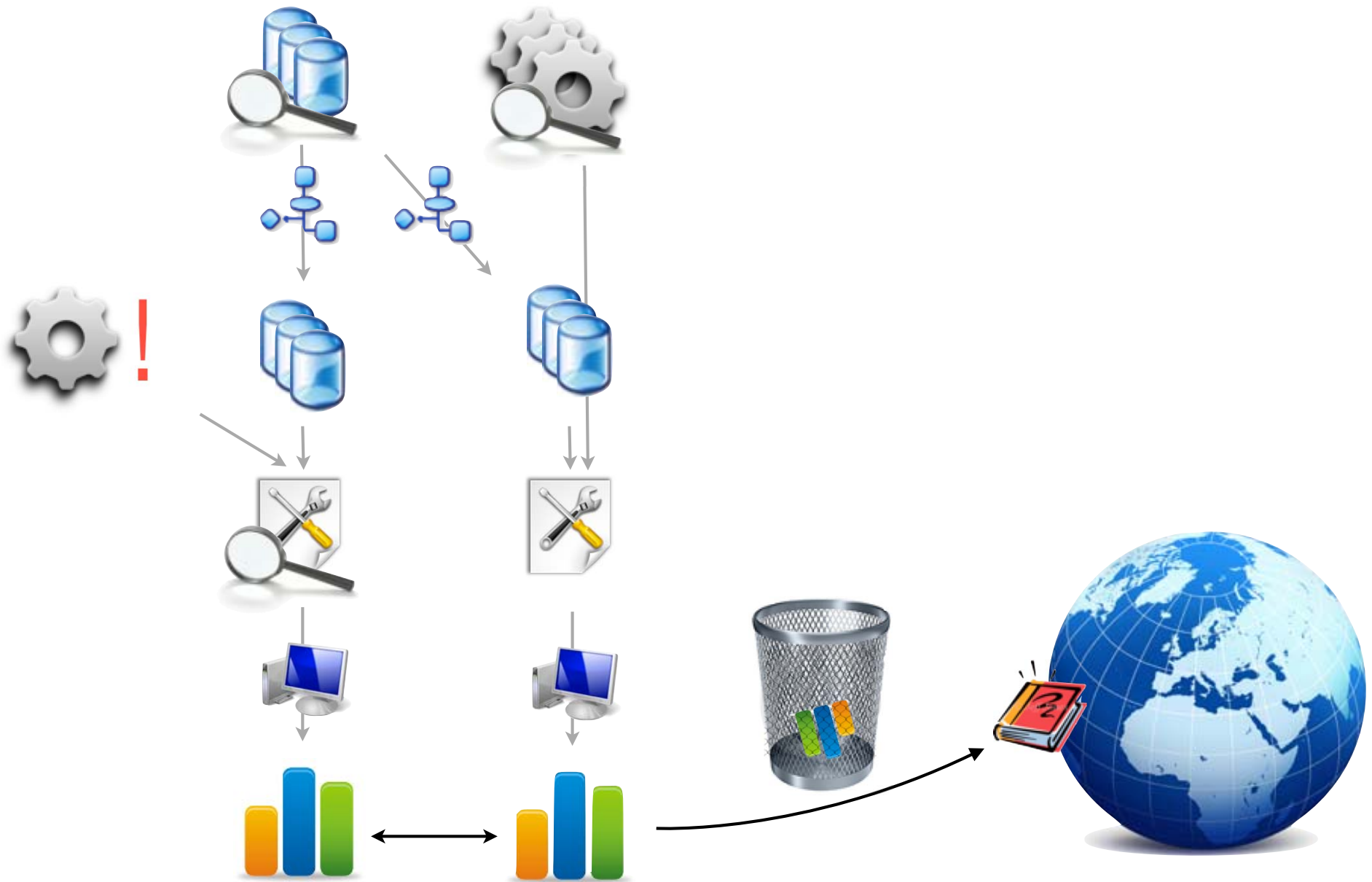
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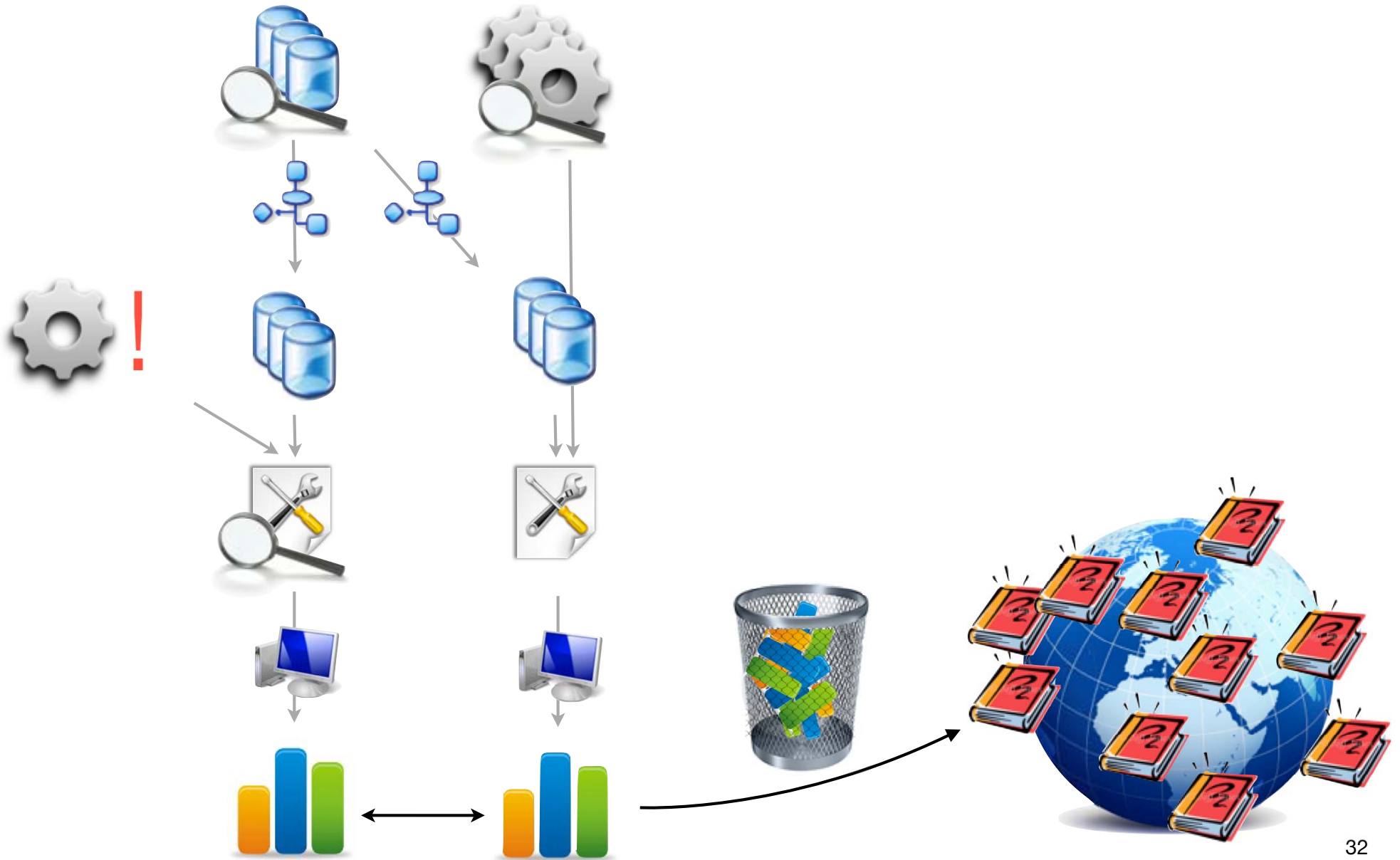
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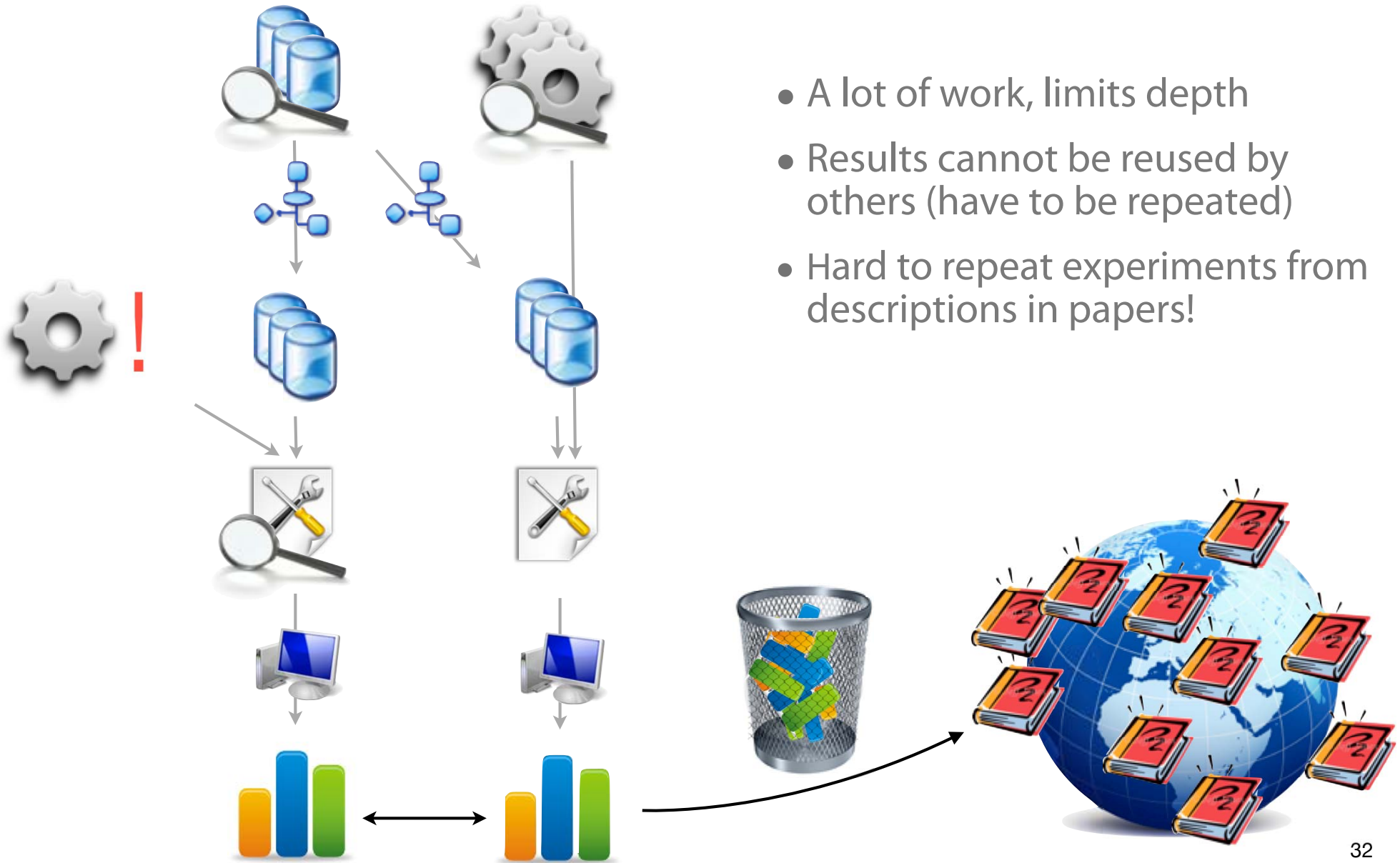
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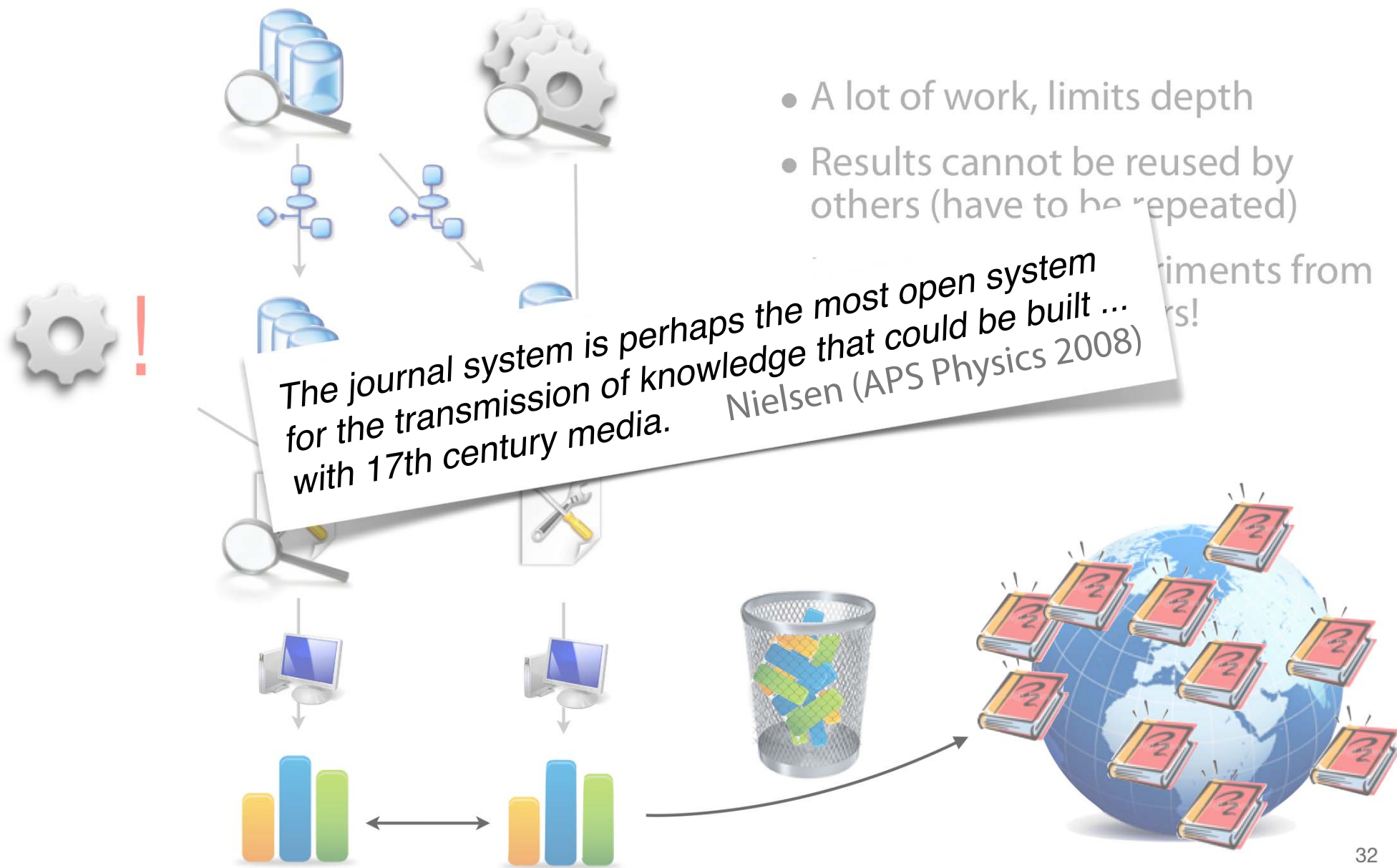
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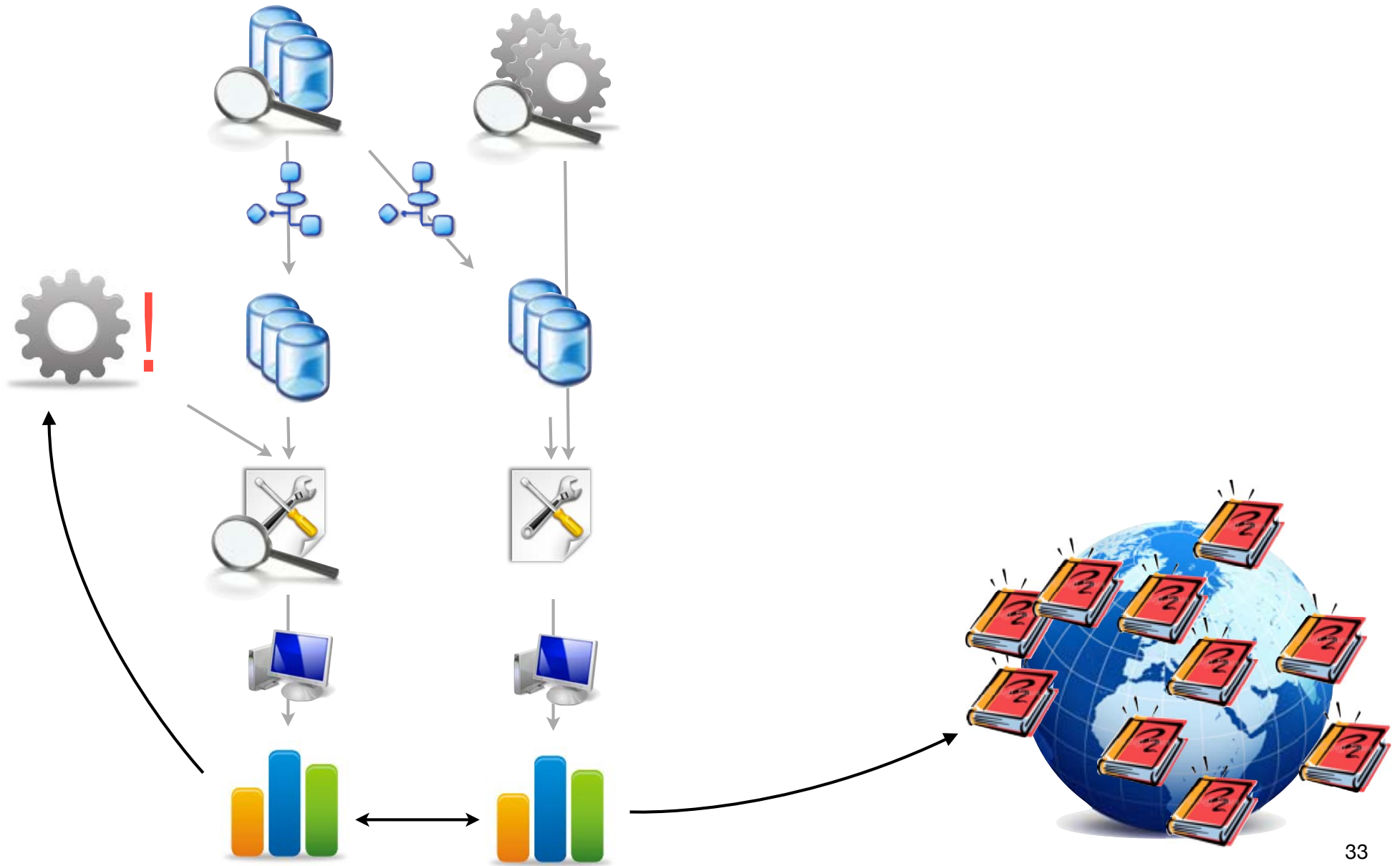
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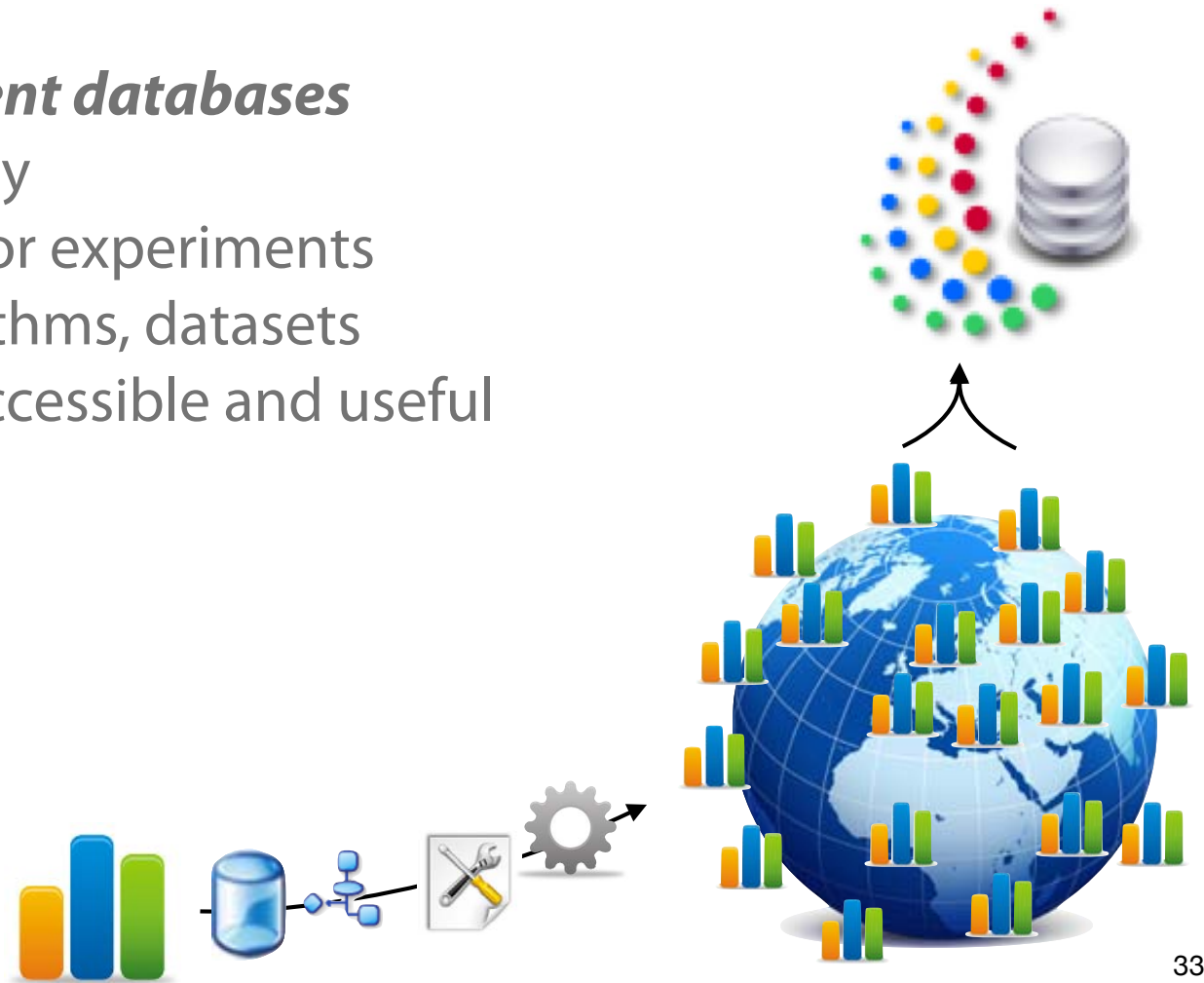
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- Share experiments
 - Internet = large, collaborative workspace
- Store them in ***experiment databases***
 - Ensure reproducibility
 - Reuse millions of prior experiments
 - Use all info on algorithms, datasets
 - Results universally accessible and useful



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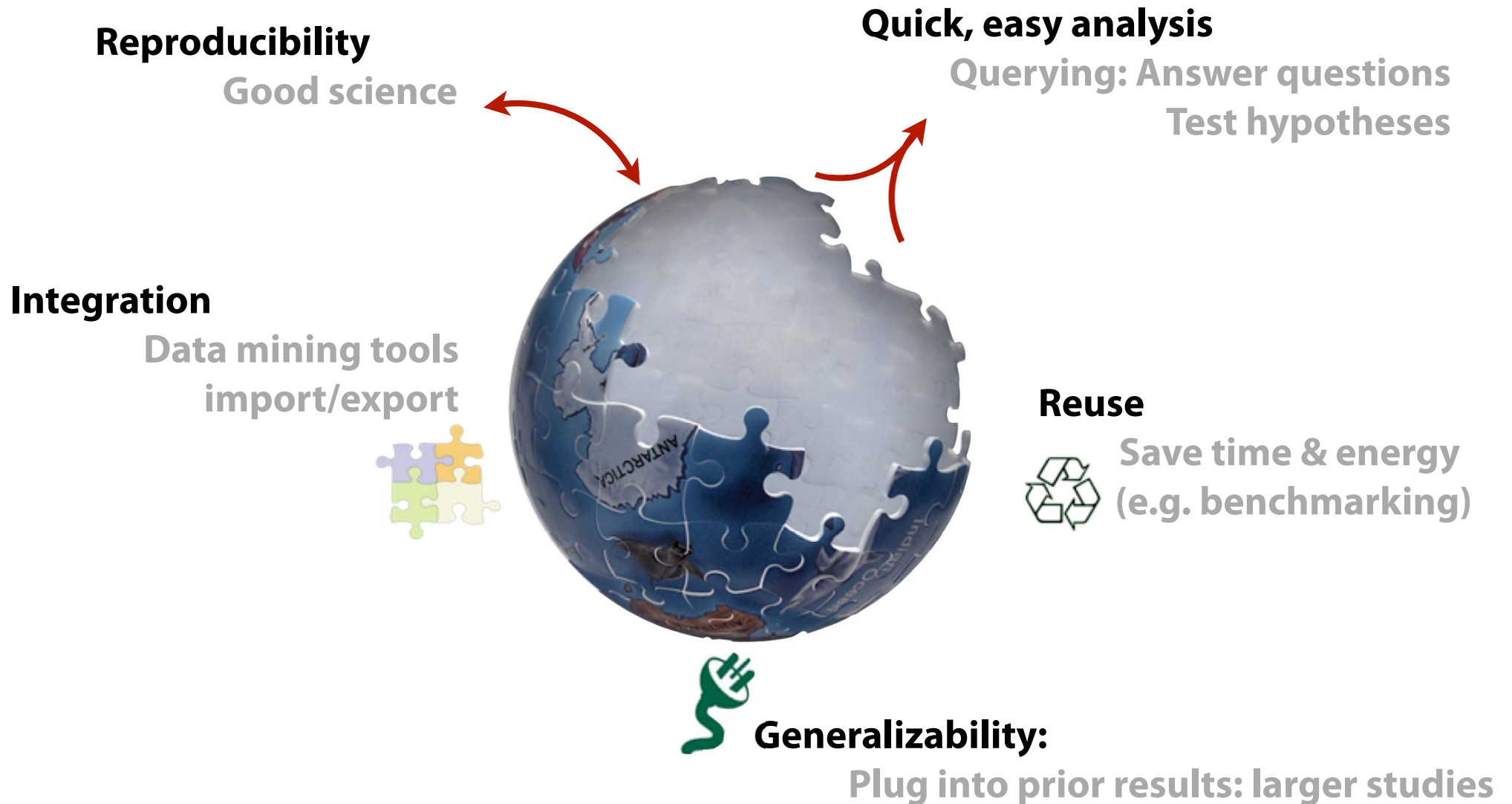


Generalizability:

Plug into prior results: larger studies

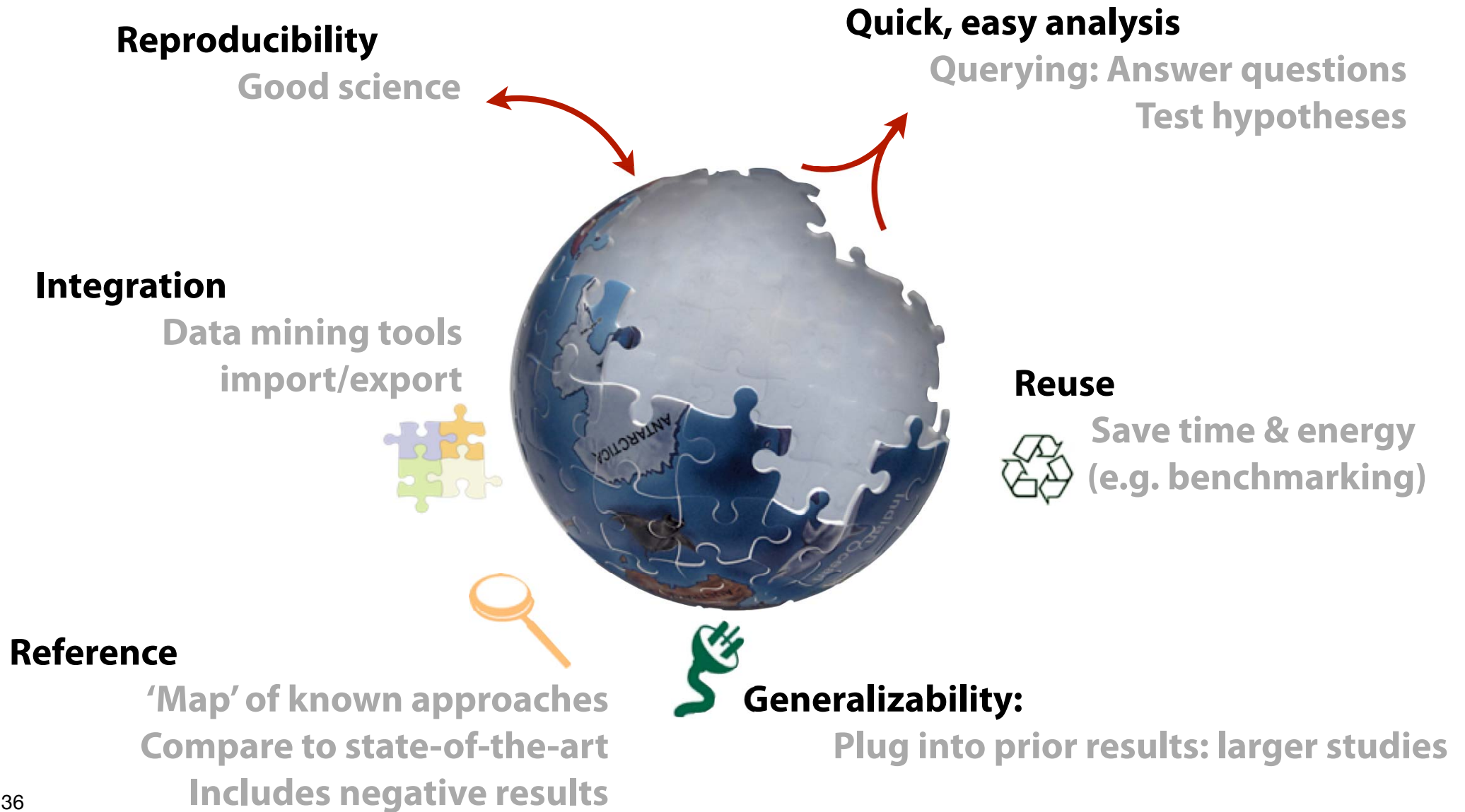
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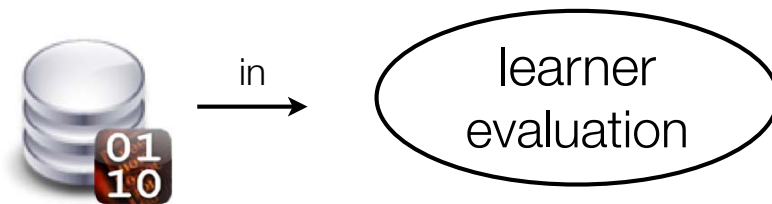
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Describe experiments in a common language
-> sharing or running experiments on grid

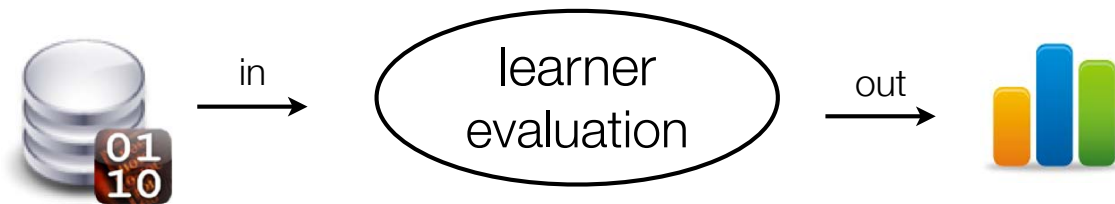
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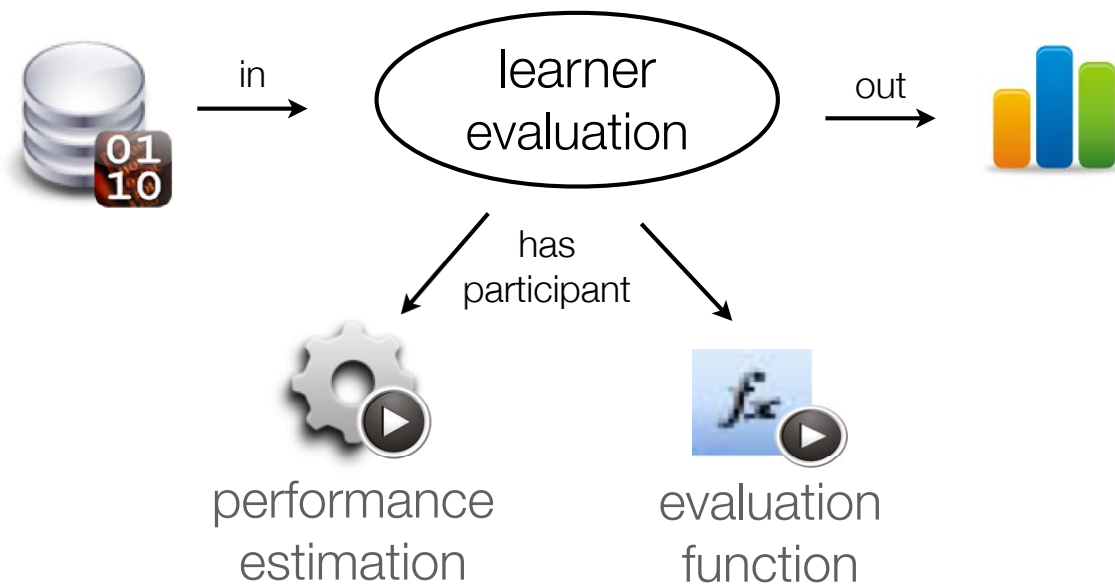
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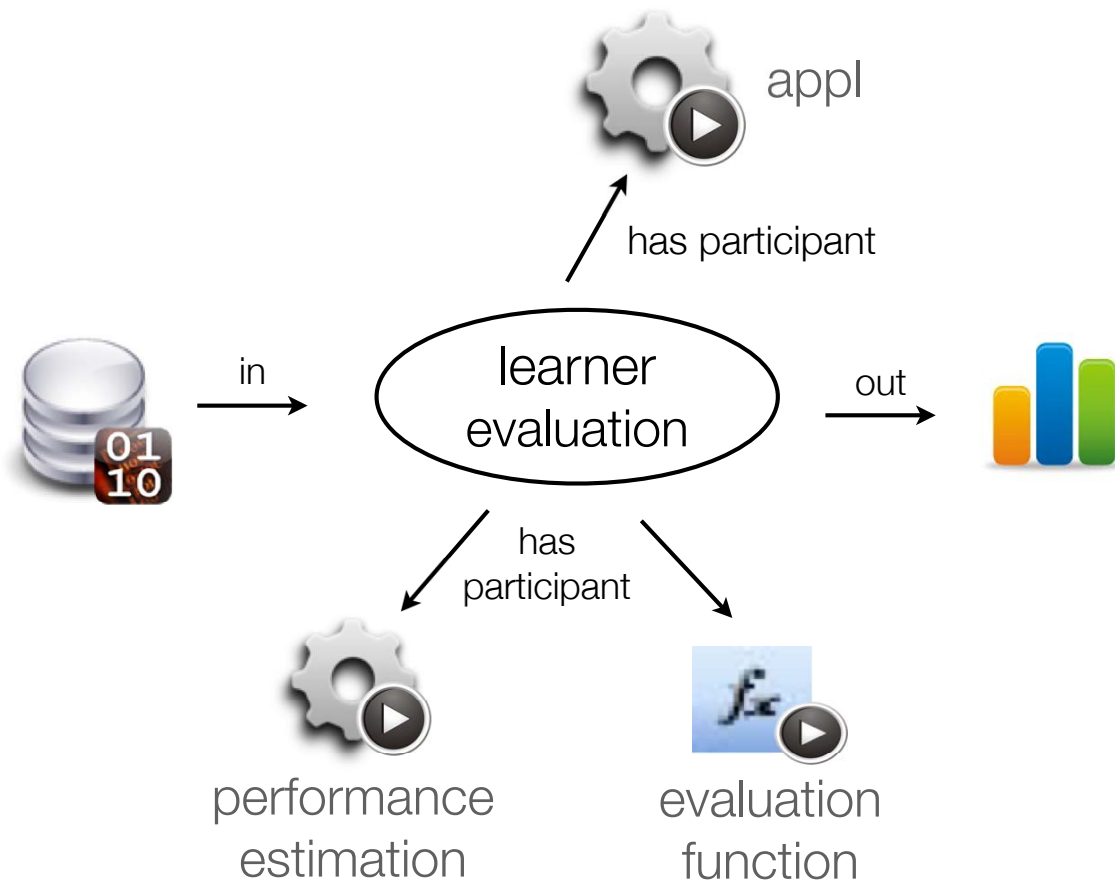
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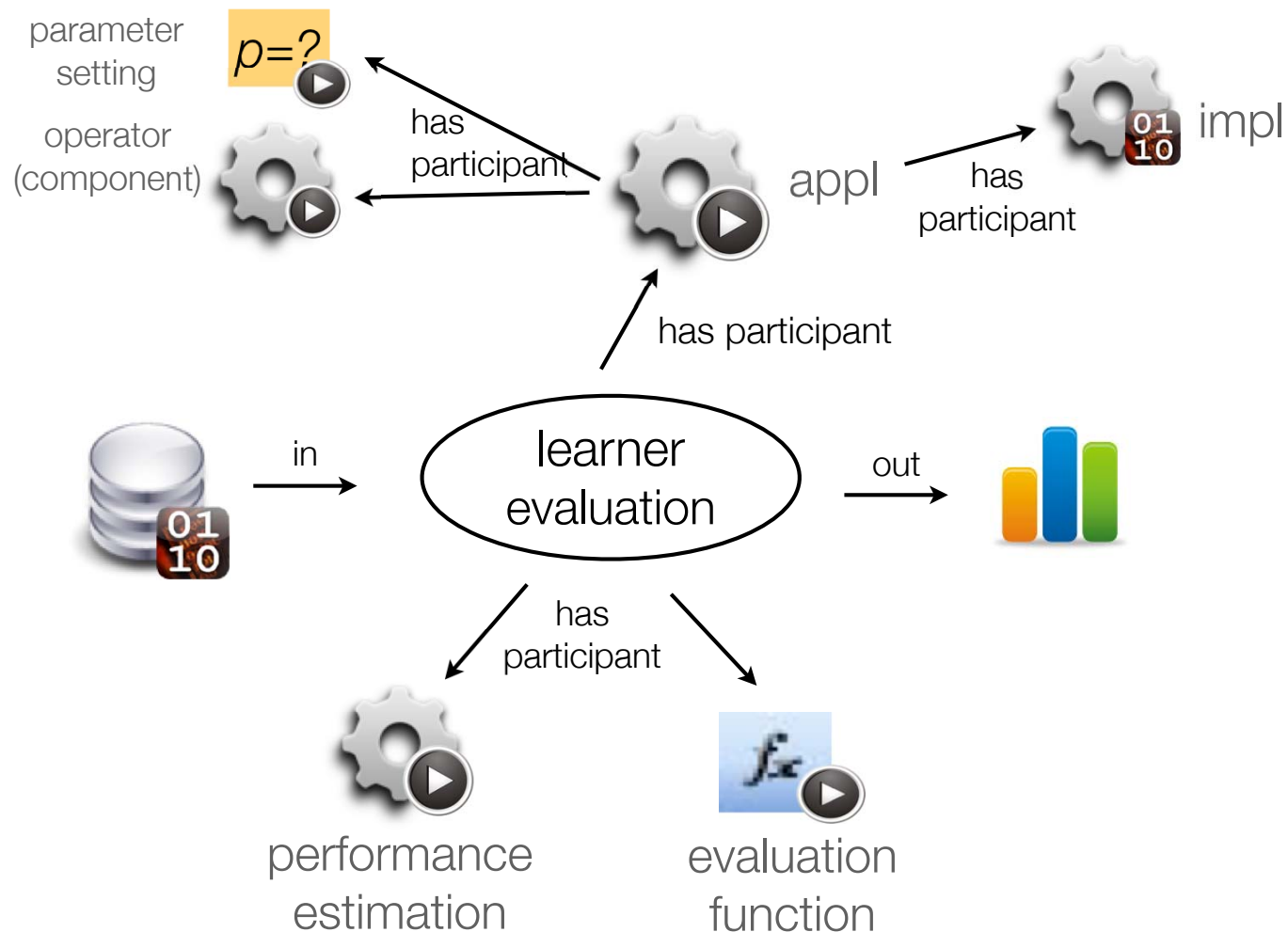
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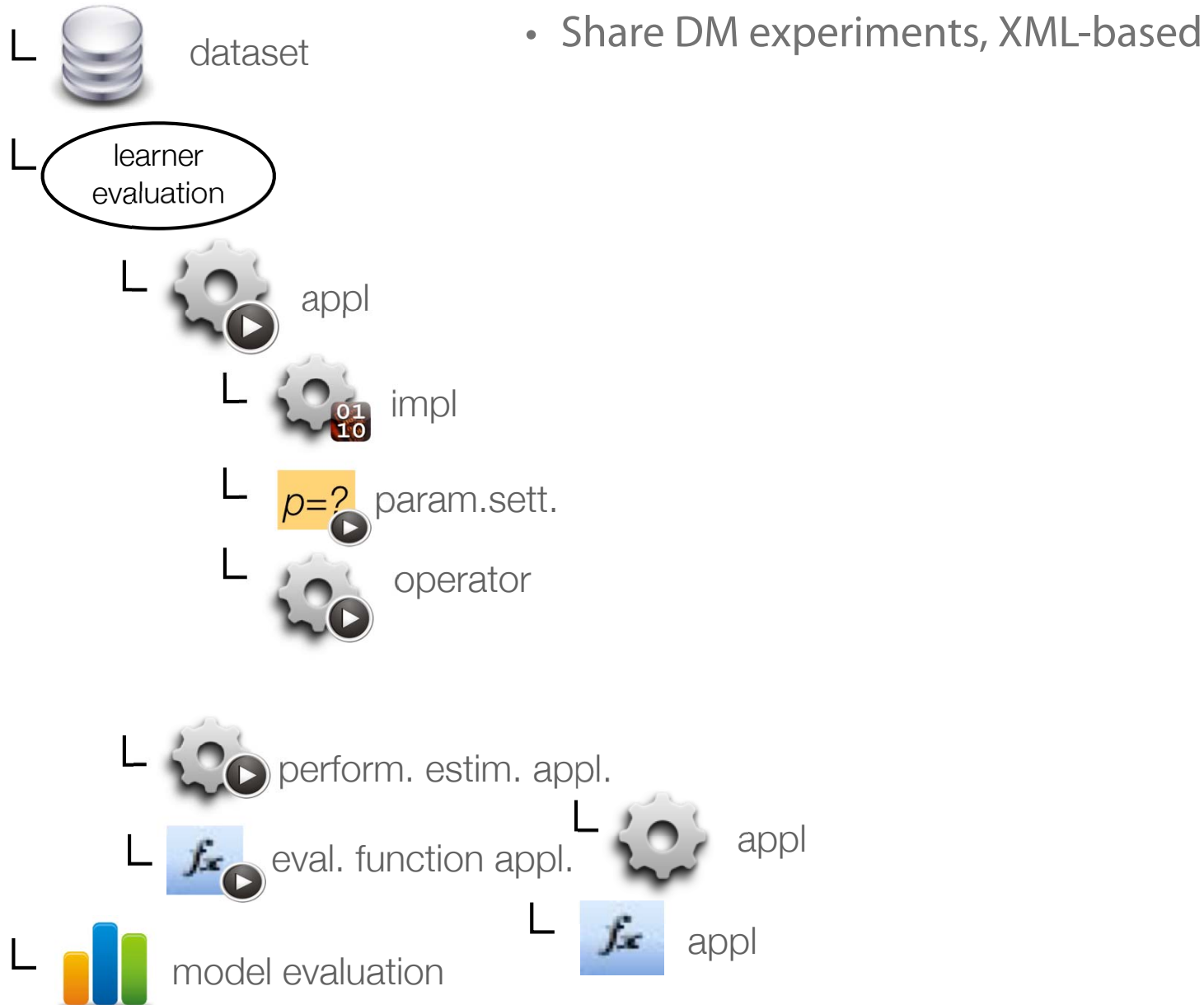


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ExpML: a markup language for DM experiments

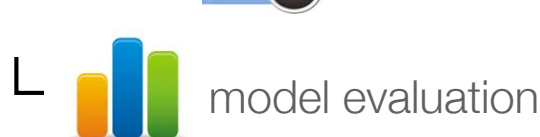
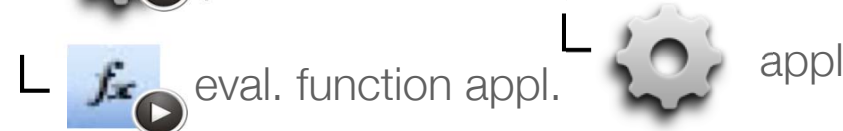
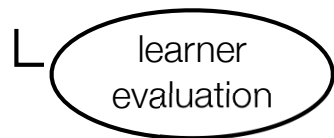




ExpML: a markup language for DM experiments



- Share DM experiments, XML-based



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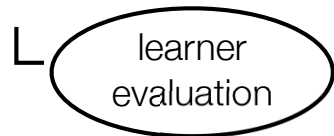


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dataset

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learner evaluation



appl

ontology	XML
has-part,has-participant	XML subelement
	(with role attribute)
has-description	(required) attribute
has-quality	`property' subelement
is-concretization-of	implementation_of attr.
part-of	attributes
has-specific-input	input_data attribute
has-specified-output	output_of attribute

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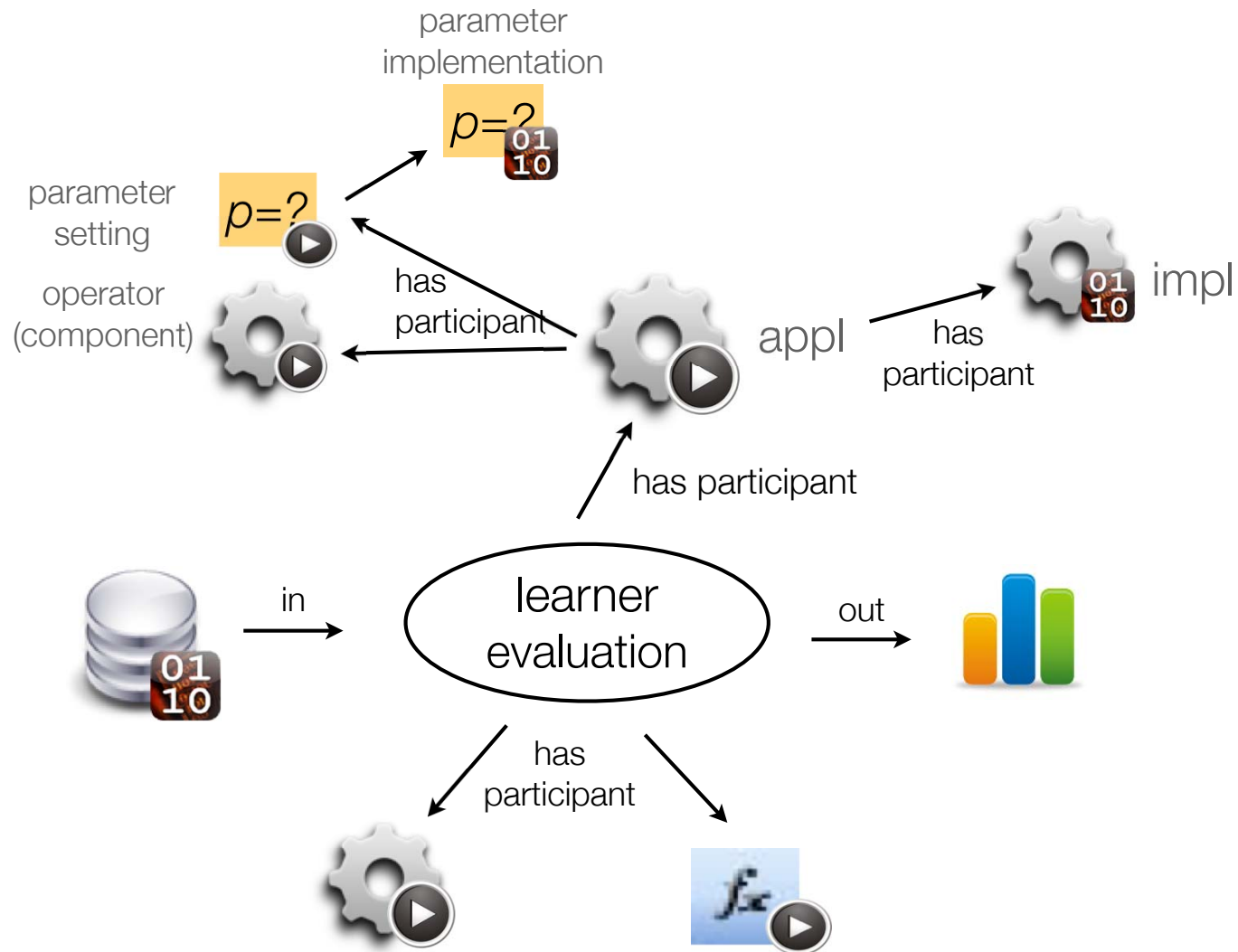
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Use Case 2

Collect experiments in a database
to query all empirical results

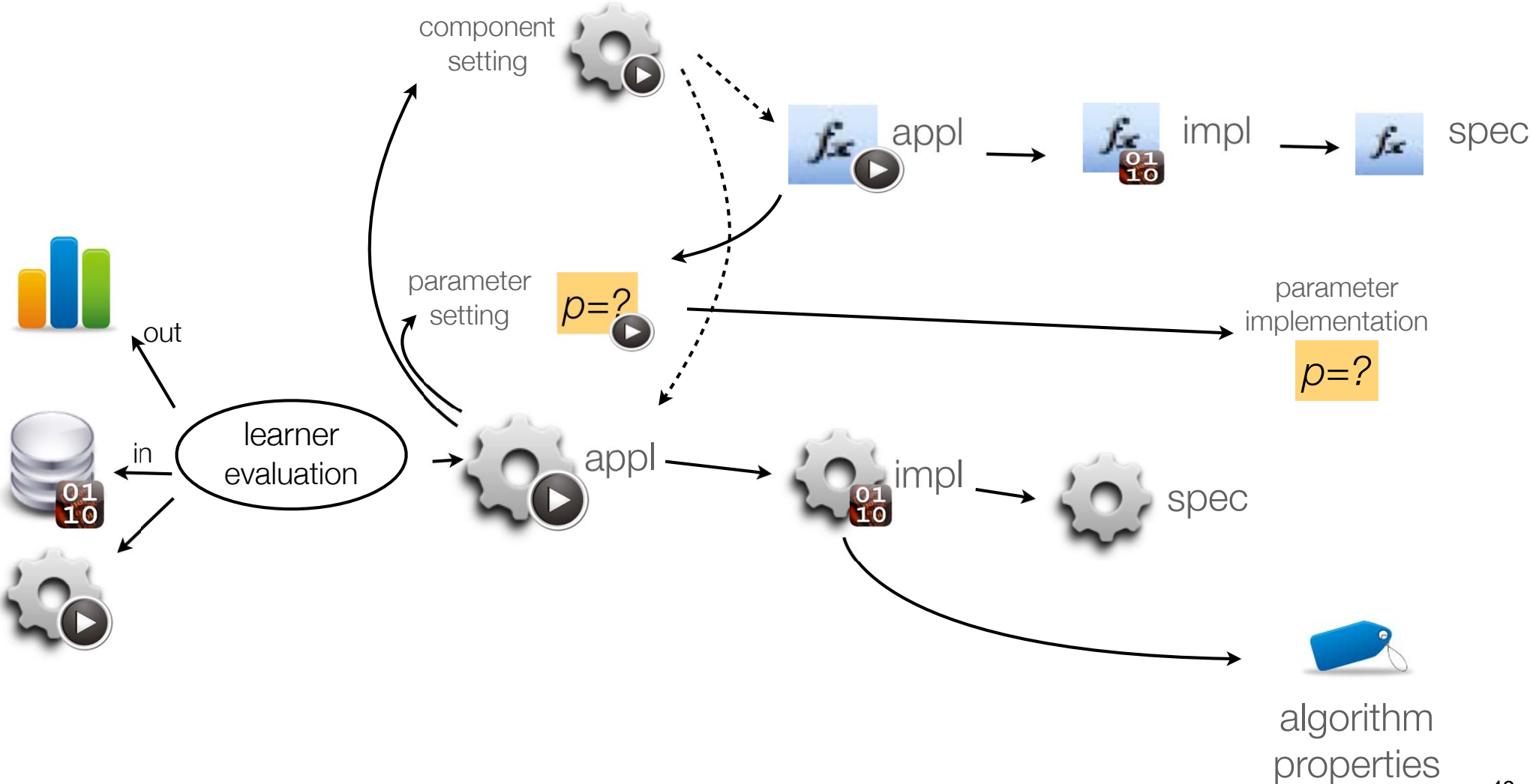


ExpDB: a database to share experiments



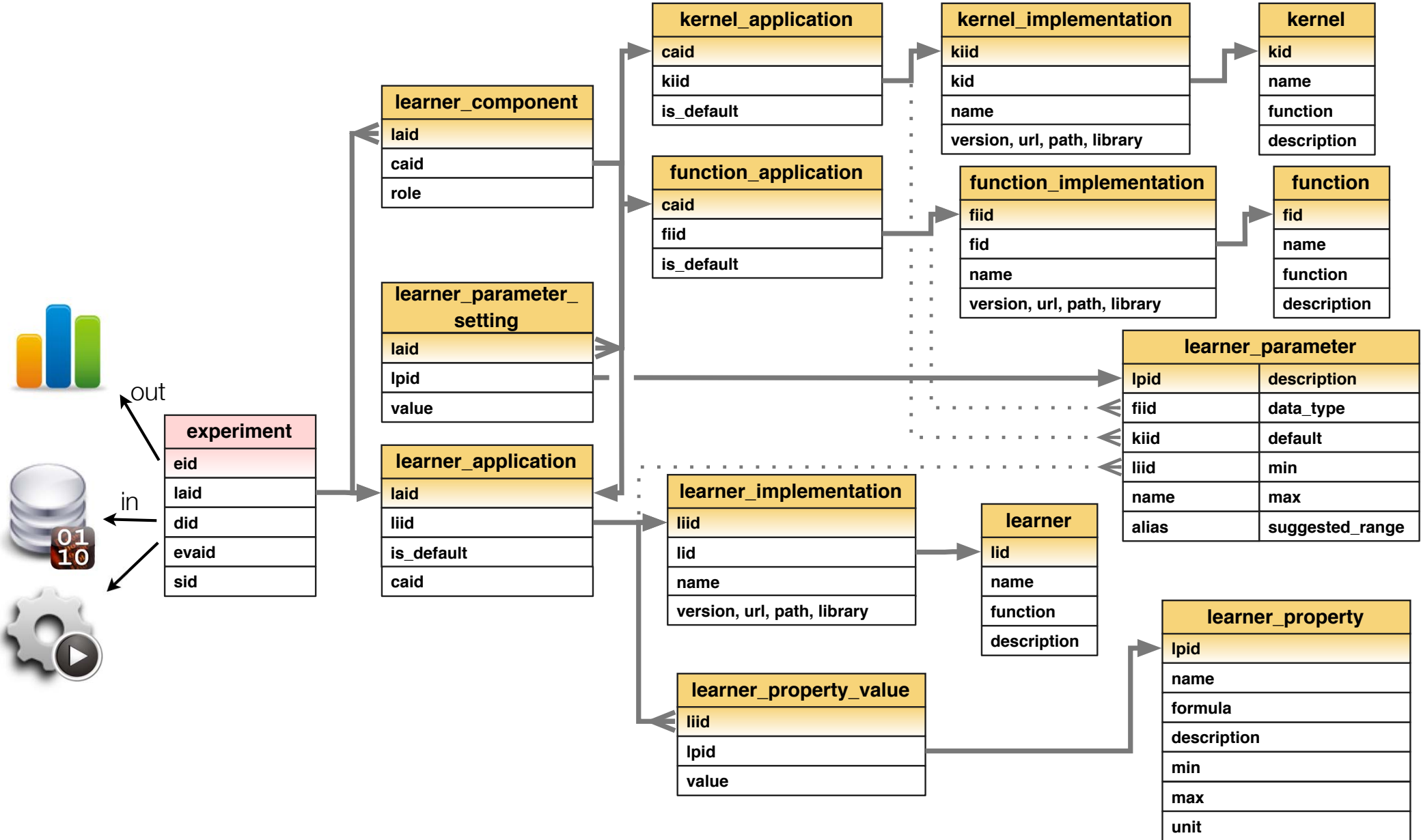
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Use Case 3

Intuitive querying

Query Interface (YouTube “experiment database”)

<http://expdb.cs.kuleuven.be>

The screenshot displays the 'Experiment Databases for Machine Learning' web interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Type your query here... (or clear field to show examples)' and a 'show examples' button. Below the search bar, it indicates 'No query processed..'. A navigation bar contains tabs for 'Query Graph' (selected), 'Color Settings', 'Result table', and 'Visualisations'. The main area shows a query graph with a central 'experiment' node connected to 'eval setup', 'data', 'learner', 'admin', and 'output' nodes. Each node has a green '[' icon and a red '!' icon. The interface also includes 'examples load' and 'save resend' options. A footer provides instructions: 'Left-click nodes to expand, right-click to collapse/hide, drag to move. Click '[' to add/remove selected fields, '!' to add constraints (type/erase or click 's' for available subjects, 'v' for values)'. The graph structure is as follows:

```
graph TD;
  data((data)) --> experiment((experiment));
  eval_setup((eval setup)) --- experiment;
  learner((learner)) --- experiment;
  admin((admin)) --- experiment;
  output((output)) --- experiment;
```

The way ahead

- 3rd generation of tools could make data mining into e-science
 - Experiments shared, reused, run worldwide
 - Repeatable, generalizable, reusable
- Cooperation on a standardized ontology for data mining?
- Automatic ontology extraction: DM paper -> ontology extension
- RDF experiment databases?
- Open problems:
 - Queriable models, auto-population (active meta-learning), quality control

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