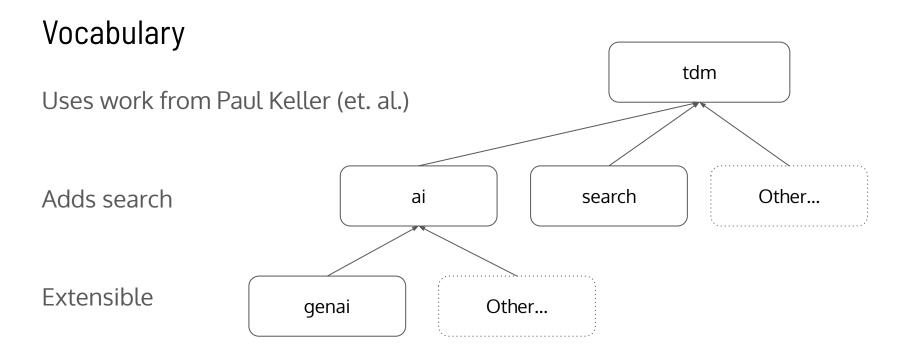
## ai=y/n/?

draft-thomson-aipref-sup in four slides

**3...** *y . . . .* 



Each item is a subset of 0 or 1 other

## **Attachment**

- robots.txt (location-based)
  - Put it where crawlers are so that it scales
  - Usage: ai=y,search=n\*
- HTTP headers (content-adjacent)
  - Put it where content is, even if the format doesn't support it
  - Content-Usage: tdm=n, search=y \*
- Content-based not specified (most are outside IETF)
  - Put it with the content so it can't get lost
  - Format is a simple UTF-8 encoded string, suitable for content metadata

\* draft-00 contains consistency errors, unpublished version corrected

## Processing and Combination

## Algorithm is simple

- Each item has a y/n/? state, initially?
- Parse and update in a ratchet: ? -> y -> n
- Expressions are combined simply (effectively string concatenation)
- Order doesn't matter
- Subsets with a? at the end use the value from the superset
- ? means "consult local policy"