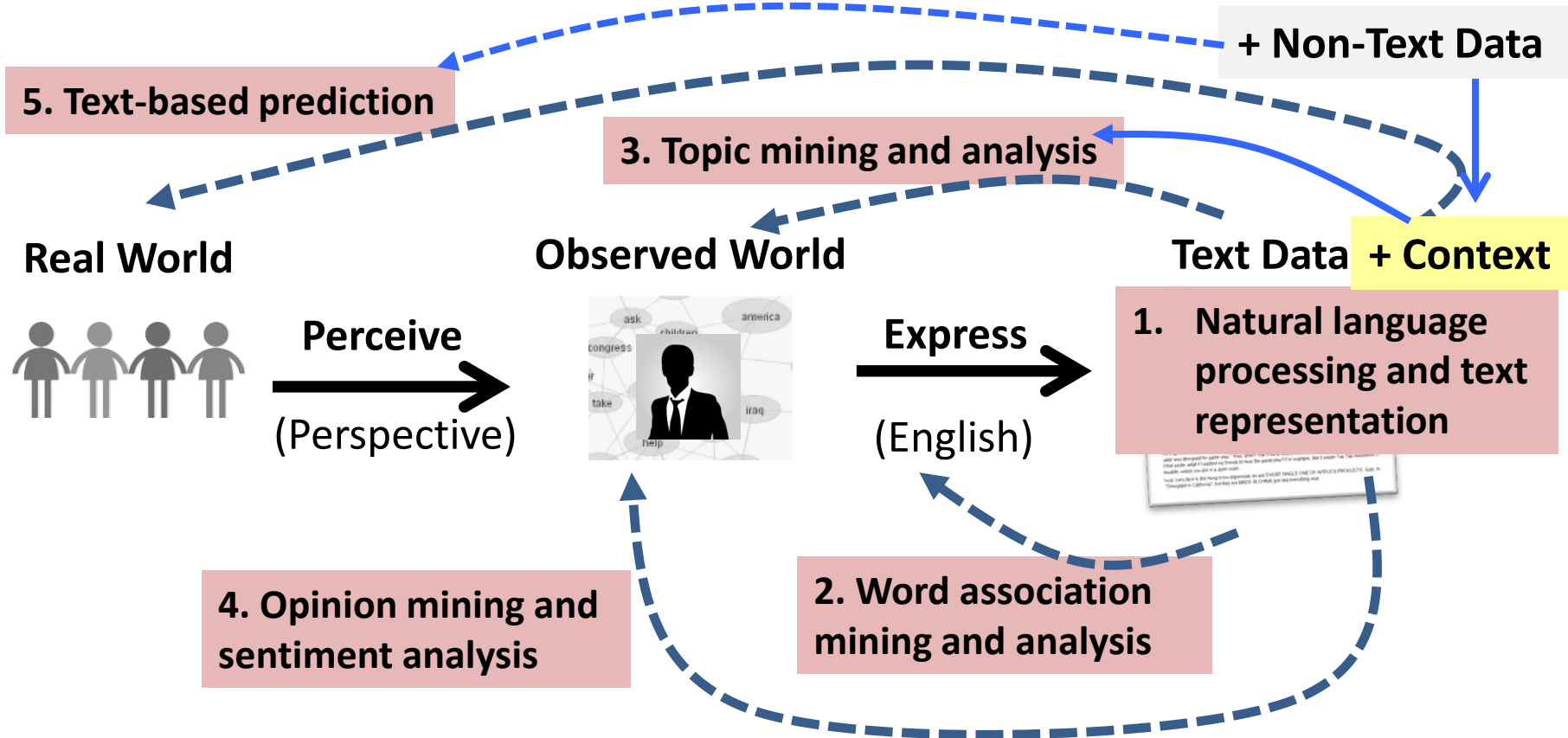




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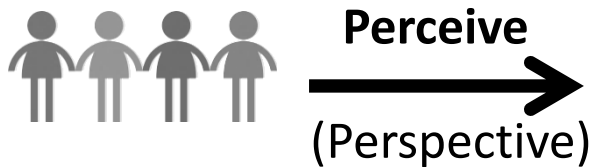
# Topics Covered in This Course



# Key High-Level Take-Away Messages

- 13. Joint mining of text and non-text
- 14. Contextual PLSA
- 15. NetPLSA
- 16. Causal topic mining

- 6. Probabilistic Topic Model (PLSA, LDA)
- 7. Generative model; ML estimate; EM
- 8. Text clustering: model vs. similarity-based
- 9. Text categorization: generative vs. discriminative
- 10. Evaluation of clustering and categorization



- 1. NLP → Text representation → Knowledge discovery
- 2. Robust TM = Word-based rep + Statistical analysis

(English)

- 11. Sentiment classification: ordinal regression
- 12. Latent Aspect Rating Analysis

- 3. Paradigmatic and syntagmatic relations
- 4. Text similarity: Vector space, BM25
- 5. Co-occurrence analysis: Entropy, MI

# What to Learn Next

- **Natural Language Processing**
  - Foundation for all text-based applications
  - More NLP → Deeper knowledge discovery
- **Statistical Machine Learning**
  - Backbone techniques for NLP and text analysis
  - Key to predictive modeling and “big data” applications
- **Data Mining**
  - General data mining algorithms can always be applied to text
- **Text/Information Retrieval**
  - Essential system component in any text-based application (human in the loop)
  - Some techniques useful for text data mining

# Main Techniques for Harnessing Big Text Data: Text Retrieval + Text Mining

