Unit 7: Search Application Fundamentals

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Learning Objectives

- Describe the following search concepts:
  - Relevancy
  - Grammar
  - Stemming
  - Filtered vs. unfiltered search
  - Constraints
- Use the Node.js client API to:
  - Generate search response data
  - Build string, query by example (QBE), and structured queries.

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Relevance Order

DOCUMENT 1

```
{
  "description":
  101 Dalmatians is
  a fun story about
  dogs escaping
  from Cruella
  Deville."
}
```

DOCUMENT 2

```
{
  "description":
  Fun, Fun, Fun by
  the Beach Boys.
}
```

DOCUMENT 3

```
{
  "description":
  Dogs are fun.
}
```

DOCUMENT 3

```
{
  "description":
  Raining cats and
  dogs.
}
```

Query: Find documents that contain the word “fun”.

Which documents match?
Which documents are the ***best*** matches?

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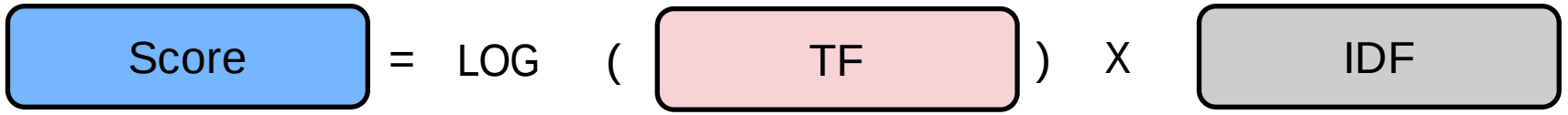
Relevance Order

- The default score calculation:



  - Score
    - A calculated value for each item that is returned in the search query result set
  - TF
    - Term Frequency
  - IDF
    - Inverse Document Frequency

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Relevance Order

- Term Frequency
  - How often a term occurs within a specific fragment (document) of the result set.
  - Normalized relative to total words in document: ***term density***.
  - Example: A search across the database for documents containing the word “dog”

Document #1
- “dog” occurs 10 times
- 100 total words in document
- Density 10%

Document #2
- “dog” occurs 100 times
- 10,000 total words in doc
- Density 1%

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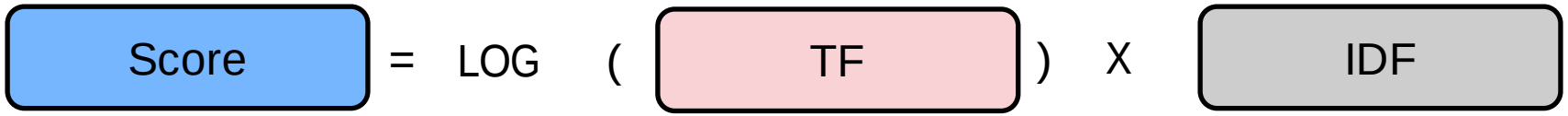
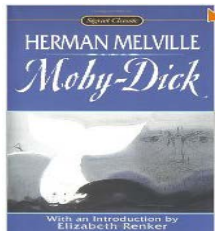
Relevance Order



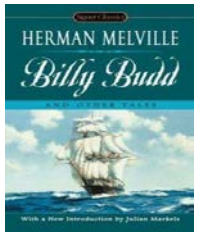
- Inverse Document Frequency
  - IDF = (1/DF)
    - DF = Document Frequency
  - Example: Search for “cat” OR “dog”
    - 100 documents contain “cat”. IDF = 1/100 = .01
    - 2 documents contain “dog”. IDF = 1/2 = .5
    - Assume a cat and dog document both have the same LOG(TF) value.
    - Which document would receive the highest overall score?

Impacting Relevance: Quality

- Quality is…
  - A factor to increase a documents relevancy score relative to other matching documents
  - Set upon ingestion (or modified later)
  - Default is 0
  - log(tf)/idf + (Quality Weight * Quality)



Q = 3



Q = 0

Find books written by the author Herman Melville.

1. Moby Dick
2. Billy Budd

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Impacting Relevance: Quality

- Quality is document metadata that can be managed:

```
{
  "extension": "json",
  "directory": "/songs/",
  "collections": ["music"],
  "properties": { "property1": "some data", "property2": "some other data"},
  "quality": 2,
  "permissions": [
    {
      "role-name" : "my-read-role",
      "capabilities" : [ "read" ]
    },
    {
      "role-name" : "my-write-role",
      "capabilities" : [ "read", "update" ]
    }
  ],
  "contentType": "application/json",
  "content": data
}
```

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Impacting Relevance: Word Query

- Why does the Coldplay song appear first?

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Impacting Relevance: Word Query

- Why does the Coldplay song appear first?
  - Custom Word Query defined on the database adjusts weight based on where in the document the desired term was found.
  - Finding the word in the <artist> is weighted higher than the <descr>.

Included Elements

Localname(s)	Namespace	Attribute	Attribute Namespace	Value	Weight	
artist	http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs				4	[delete]
title	http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs				4	[delete]
descr	http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs				0.75	[delete]

Excluded Elements

Localname(s)	Namespace	Attribute	Attribute Namespace	Value	
format	http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs				[delete]
length	http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs				[delete]

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Search Grammar

- “Phrase Search”

- AND

- OR

- NOT

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Stemming

```
DOCUMENT 1
{
  "description":
  101 Dalmatians is
  a fun story about
  dogs escaping
  from Cruella
  Deville."
}
```

```
DOCUMENT 2
{
  "description":
  Dogs are fun.
}
```

Query	Matches	Why?
dogs AND escape	Doc1	dogs = dog, escaping = escape
“dog is fun”	Doc 1, Doc 2	dogs = dog, (is | are | be) = be, fun = fun
“dogs be awesome”	None	“awesome” does not stem to “fun”

Stemming

- Stemming rules take language and part of speech into account
  - Custom dictionaries and thesaurus can be implemented

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Filtered vs. Unfiltered

- Default options used by Node.js / REST API is **UNFILTERED** search
- This can be seen if you explore the modules database of your REST instance.
- You will notice that the default configuration options specify unfiltered search:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<options xmlns="http://marklogic.com/appservices/search">
  <search-option>unfiltered</search-option>
  <quality-weight>0</quality-weight>
</options>
```

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Filtered vs. Unfiltered

- Filtered:
  - Resolves queries from indexes + document parsing
  - Emphasis on accuracy
- Unfiltered:
  - Resolves queries from index alone
  - Emphasis on speed
- With properly configured indexes, unfiltered search is both **fast** and **accurate**

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Filtered vs. Unfiltered Example

- Docs loaded into a DB with **case sensitive indexing = false**
- Default query options in place (**UNFILTERED**)

```
DOCUMENT 1
{
  "description":
  101 Dalmatians is
  about dogs.
}
```

```
DOCUMENT 2
{
  "description":
  Dogs are fun.
}
```

TERM	DOCUMENTS	
property:value	Doc1	
property:value		Doc2
101	Doc1	
dalmatians	Doc1	
be	Doc1	Doc2
about	Doc1	
dog	Doc1	Doc2
fun		Doc2

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Filtered vs. Unfiltered Example

- Example query:
  - Find docs containing the word “dogs”, case sensitive, unfiltered

```
DOCUMENT 1
{
  "description":
  101 Dalmatians is
  about dogs.
}
```

```
DOCUMENT 2
{
  "description":
  Dogs are fun.
}
```

TERM	DOCUMENTS	
<element>:value	Doc1	
<element>:value		Doc2
101	Doc1	
dalmatians	Doc1	
be	Doc1	Doc2
about	Doc1	
dog	Doc1	Doc2
fun		Doc2

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Constraints

- Constrain search results to subsets of content
- Designed to take advantage of index configuration
- Out of the box constraint options
- Create custom constraint options

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Constraint Examples

- VALUE
  - Constrain to a particular XML element or attribute
  - Constraint to a JSON property
- COLLECTION
  - “slice” data by collection, like “rock” or “hip-hop”
- RANGE
  - Find songs on the chart during the 1980s
- PROPERTIES
  - Search a documents metadata
- GEOSPATIAL
- For complete list of constraints:
  - docs.marklogic.com

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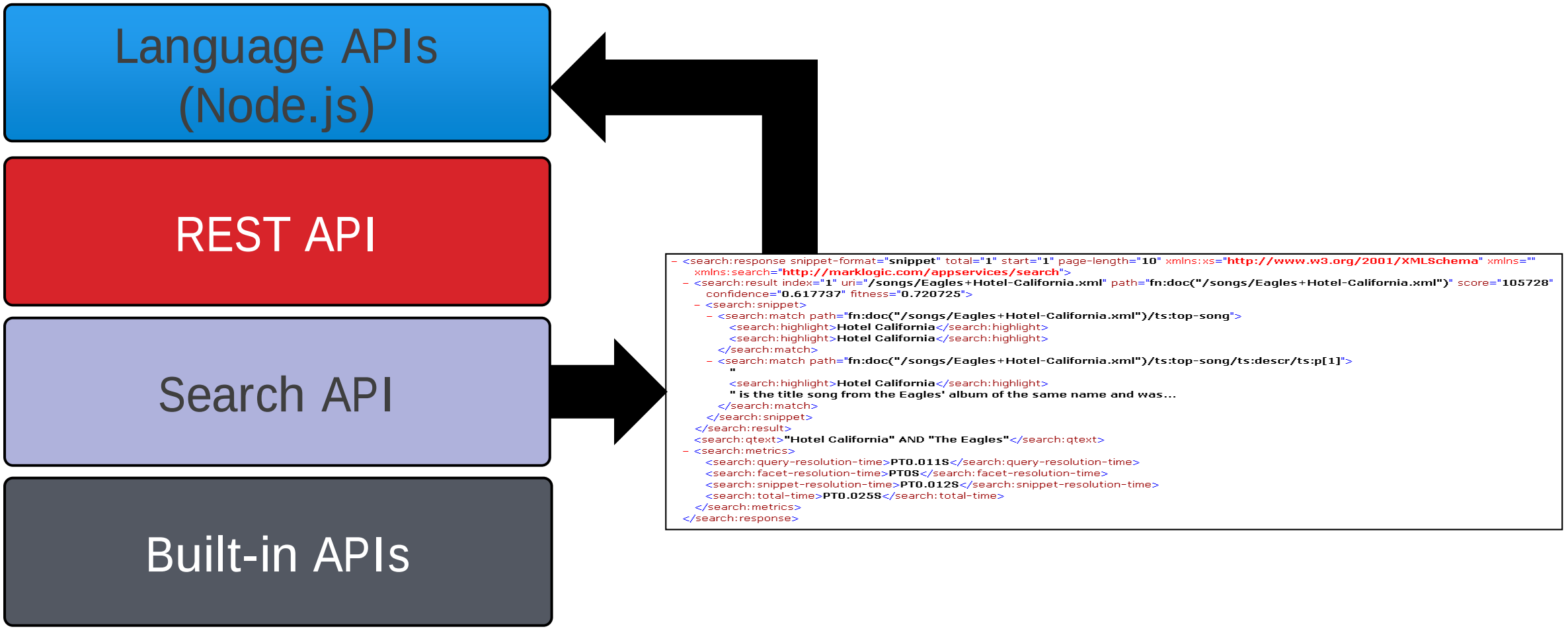
The Search API Response

- Response can be JSON or XML




```
- <search:response snippet-format="snippet" total="1" start="1" page-length="10" xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns=""
    xmlns:search="http://marklogic.com/appservices/search">
  - <search:result index="1" uri="/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml" path="fn:doc("/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml")" score="105728"
      confidence="0.617737" fitness="0.720725">
    - <search:snippet>
      - <search:match path="fn:doc("/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml")/ts:top-song">
          <search:highlight>Hotel California</search:highlight>
          <search:highlight>Hotel California</search:highlight>
        </search:match>
      - <search:match path="fn:doc("/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml")/ts:top-song/ts:descr/ts:p[1]">
          "
          <search:highlight>Hotel California</search:highlight>
          " is the title song from the Eagles' album of the same name and was...
        </search:match>
      </search:snippet>
    </search:result>
    <search:qtext>"Hotel California" AND "The Eagles"</search:qtext>
  - <search:metrics>
      <search:query-resolution-time>PT0.011S</search:query-resolution-time>
      <search:facet-resolution-time>PT0S</search:facet-resolution-time>
      <search:snippet-resolution-time>PT0.012S</search:snippet-resolution-time>
      <search:total-time>PT0.025S</search:total-time>
    </search:metrics>
  </search:response>
```

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Search API Response

Grammar	Facets	Snippets	Highlights	Pagination
"hotel california" cat OR dog	artist the beatles [19] mariah carey [15] madonna [12]	…text text text text **SEARCH TERM** text text text…	"Hotel California" is the title son topped the Billboard Hot 100 sin bum Hotel California. Rele	1 to 10 of 88 sort by: relevance 1 2 3 4 5 ▶

```
<search:response snippet-format="snippet" total="1" start="1" page-length="10" xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns="" xmlns:search="http://marklogi
  <search:result index="1" uri="/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml" path="fn:doc(&quot;/songs/Eagles+Hotel-California.xml&quot;)" score="105728" confidence="0.61
    <search:snippet>
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    of the same name and was...</search:match>
    </search:snippet>
    <search:metadata>
      <ts:title href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hotel_California_(song)" xmlns:ts="http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs">Hotel California</ts:title>
      <ts:artist href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eagles" xmlns:ts="http://marklogic.com/MLU/top-songs">Eagles</ts:artist>
      <search:attribute-meta name="last" parent-name="weeks">1977-05-07</search:attribute-meta>
    </search:metadata>
  </search:result>
  <search:facet name="artist" type="xs:string">
    <search:facet-value name="Eagles" count="1">Eagles</search:facet-value>
  </search:facet>
  <search:qtext>"Hotel California" AND "The Eagles"</search:qtext>
  <search:metrics>
    <search:query-resolution-time>PT0.011S</search:query-resolution-time>
    <search:facet-resolution-time>PT0.002S</search:facet-resolution-time>
    <search:snippet-resolution-time>PT0.014S</search:snippet-resolution-time>
    <search:metadata-resolution-time>PT0.001S</search:metadata-resolution-time>
    <search:total-time>PT0.029S</search:total-time>
  </search:metrics>
</search:response>
```

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Three Ways to Search

String Query

- Simple:
  - Pass in the string.
- Intuitive:
  - Grammar understood.
- Less expressive.

Query By Example (QBE)

- Pattern / prototype based:
  - Find others like this.
- More expressive.

Structured Query

- Combine together:
  - Full text, geospatial, range and semantic queries.
- Most expressive.

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Approach to Search

Define Criteria

- What are you looking for?
  - Define this with various query builders.

Refine Result Set

- What do you want back?
  - How many results?
  - Sort orders?
  - Facet data?

Execute Search

- Perform the search and return the response.

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Building a Search

- You'll need a query builder instance:

```
var qb = marklogic.queryBuilder;
```

- You'll need your database clients:

```
var dbRead = marklogic.createDatabaseClient(dbConn.restReader);
var dbWrite = marklogic.createDatabaseClient(dbConn.restWriter);
var dbAdmin = marklogic.createDatabaseClient(dbConn.restAdmin);
```

- Assume these things are in place for the next few code examples.

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String Query Example 1

- As simple as it gets:
  - **Criteria:** Documents that have the word “coldplay” anywhere in the document.
  - **Result set:** bring data back for 5 most relevant matches.
  - **Execute:** using callback result handler.

```
var qText = "coldplay";

dbRead.documents.query(
    qb.where(
      qb.parsedFrom(qText)
    ).slice(1, 5)
).result( function(results) {
  console.log(JSON.stringify(results, null, 2));
});
```

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String Query Example 2

- Controlling the response data:
  - Like before, we limit the response to the 5 most relevant matches.
  - We also ask for the title and artist data to be extracted and returned.

```
var qText = "coldplay";

dbRead.documents.query(
    qb.where(
      qb.parsedFrom(qText)
    ).slice(1, 5, qb.extract({
        paths: ["//artist", "//title"]
      }))
).result( function(matches) {
  console.log(matches);
});
```

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String Query Example 3

- Implementing custom grammar:
  - Now anytime “art:term” is present in the grammar it means something specific.
  - Look for the term in the artist property.

```
var qText = "art:coldplay";

dbRead.documents.query(
    qb.where(
      qb.parsedFrom(qText,
        qb.parseBindings(
          qb.value("artist", qb.bind("art"))
        )
      )
    ).slice(1, 5, qb.extract({
        paths: ["//artist", "//title"]
      }))
).result( function(matches) {
  matches.forEach(function(match) {
    console.log('Artist: '+ match.content.extracted[0].artist);
    console.log('Title: ' + match.content.extracted[1].title);
    console.log("--------")
  });
});
```

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Query By Example (Example)

- Find documents like…
  - Artist contains “the beatles”
  - Genre = “rock”
  - Writer contains “lennon”
  - Album = “Let It Be”

```
var qbeDoc =
  {
    "artist": {$word: "the beatles"},
    "genre": "rock",
    "writer": {$word: "lennon"},
    "album": "Let It Be"
  };

dbRead.documents.query(
    qb.where(
      qb.byExample(qbeDoc)
    ).slice(1, 5, qb.extract({
        paths: ["//artist", "//title"]
      }))
).result( function(matches) {
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});
```

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Structured Query Example

- Expressive and customizable.
- Assume these variables:

```
var searchDirectory = "/songs/"
var artistContains = "beatles";
var genreEquals = "rock";
var titleNotContains = "writer";
var docContains1 = "love";
var docContains2 = "night";
var docNearWord1 = "hard";
var docNearWord2 = "day";
var nearDistance = 1;
```

- What are we asking?

```
dbRead.documents.query(
    qb.where(
      qb.and(
        qb.directory("/songs/"),
        qb.word("artist", artistContains),
        qb.value("genre", genreEquals),
        qb.not(
          qb.word("title", titleNotContains)
        ),
        qb.or(
          qb.term(docContains1),
          qb.term(docContains2)
        ),
        qb.near(
          qb.term(docNearWord1),
          qb.term(docNearWord2),
          nearDistance
        )
      )
    )
      .slice(1, 5, qb.extract({
        paths: ["//artist", "//title"]
      }))
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  });
});
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Learn More

- https://mlu.marklogic.com/ondemand/
  - Free On Demand tutorial covering QBE

- Node.js client API Developer Guide:
  - http://docs.marklogic.com/guide/node-dev

- Search Developer Guide:
  - http://docs.marklogic.com/guide/search-dev

Labs: Unit 7

Exercise 1 – Exercise 9
DIY: Search Star Wars

Unit Review Question 1:

Stemming rules are based on _____ and _____.

Unit Review Question 1:

Stemming rules are based on **language** and **part of speech**.

Unit Review Question 2:

Term frequency is based on?

1. The content of the matching document
2. The content of the entire database
3. All of the above
4. None of the above

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Unit Review Question 3:

Which of the following is true:

When performing a search…

1. You are searching every document in the database.
2. You are searching every document in the database for which you have read permissions.
3. You must filter documents in order to get results.
4. All of the above.

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