

Lucene IN ACTION

A Guide to the Java Search Engine

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SEARCHING AND INDEXING BIG DATA

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WHAT IS IT?

- ◉ Doug Cutting's grandmother's middle name
- ◉ A open source set of Java Classses
 - Search Engine/Document Classifier/Indexer
 - <http://lucene.sourceforge.net/talks/pisa/>
 - Developed by Doug Cutting 1996
 - Xerox/Apple/Excite/Nutch
 - Wrote several papers in IR

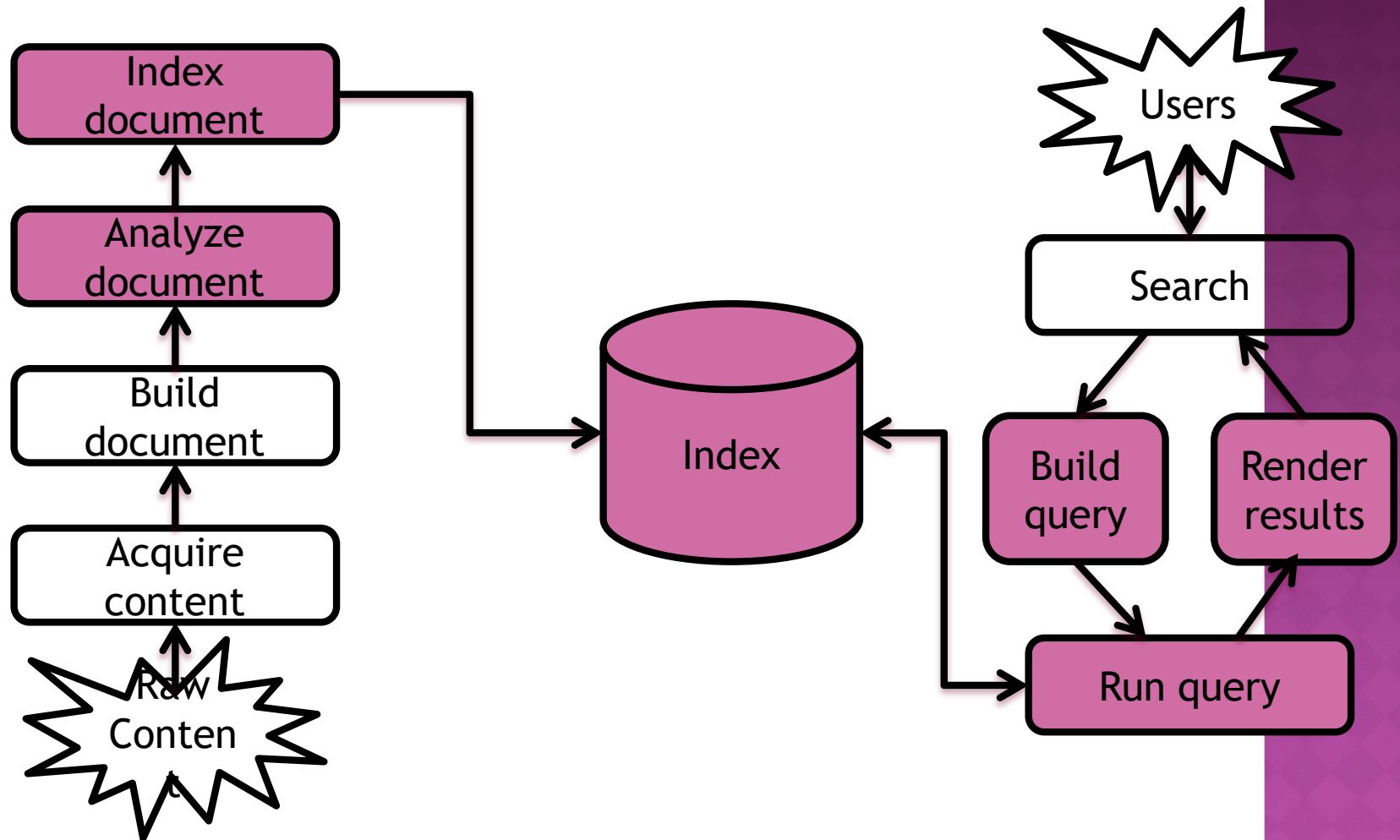
LUCENE

- ◉ Open source Java library for indexing and searching
 - Lets you add search to your application
 - High performance, scalable, full-text search library
 - Not a complete search system by itself
 - Written by Doug Cutting
- ◉ Used by LinkedIn, Twitter, ...
 - ...and many more (see <http://wiki.apache.org/lucene-java/PoweredBy>)
- ◉ Ports/integrations to other languages
 - C/C++, C#, Ruby, Perl, Python, PHP, ...

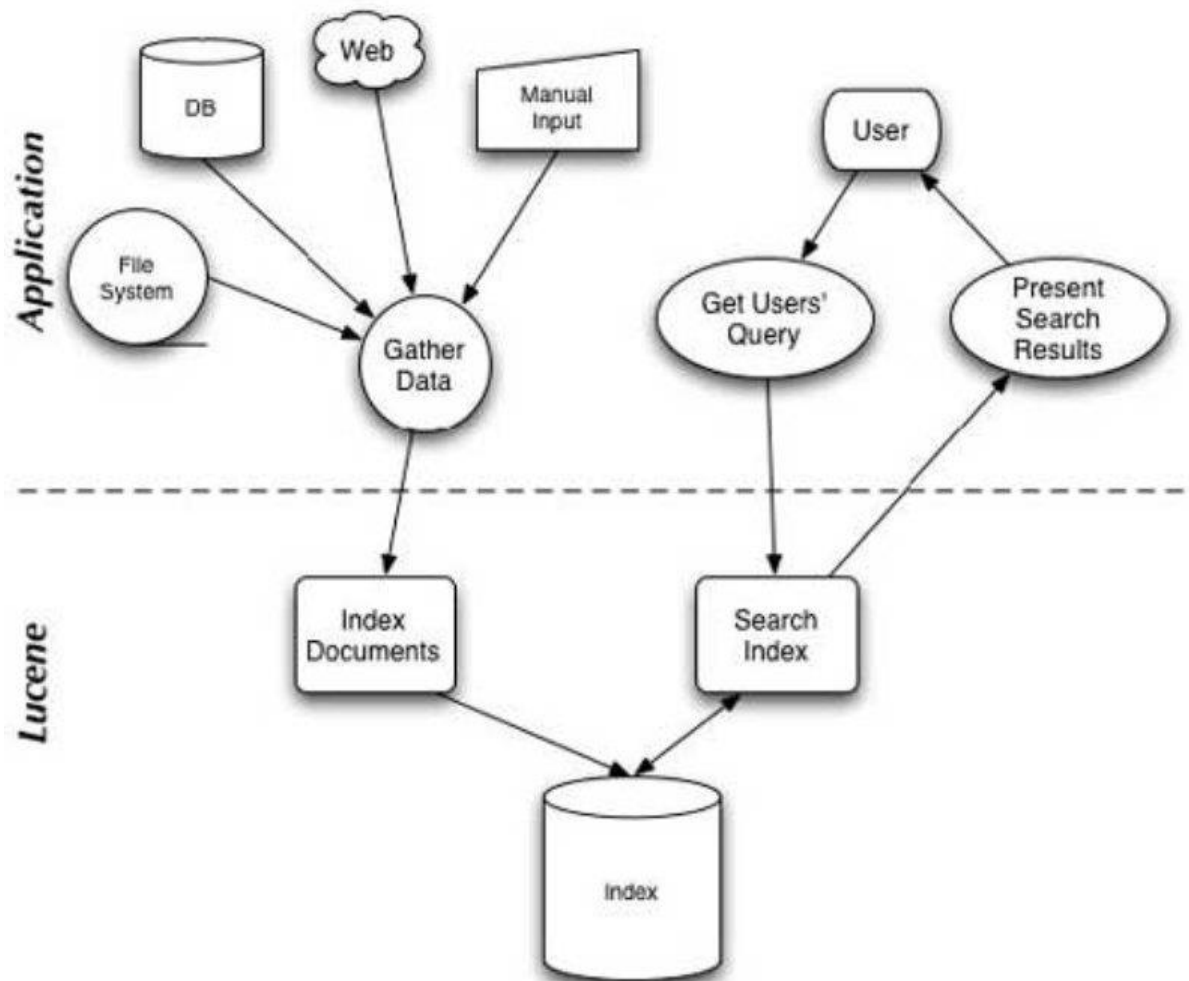
RESOURCES

- ◉ Lucene: <http://lucene.apache.org/core/>
- ◉ Lucene in Action:
<http://www.manning.com/hatcher3/>
 - Code samples available for download
- ◉ Ant: <http://ant.apache.org/>
 - Java build system used by “Lucene in Action” code

LUCENE IN A SEARCH SYSTEM



LUCENE IMPLEMENTATION



LUCENE INDEX: CONCEPTS

The theory

Concepts

- Index: sequence of documents (a.k.a. Directory)
- Document: sequence of fields
- Field: named sequence of terms
- Term: a *text string (e.g., a word)*

Statistics

- Term frequencies and positions

CORE INDEXING CLASSES

- ◉ IndexWriter

- Central component that allows you to create a new index, open an existing one, and add, remove, or update documents in an index

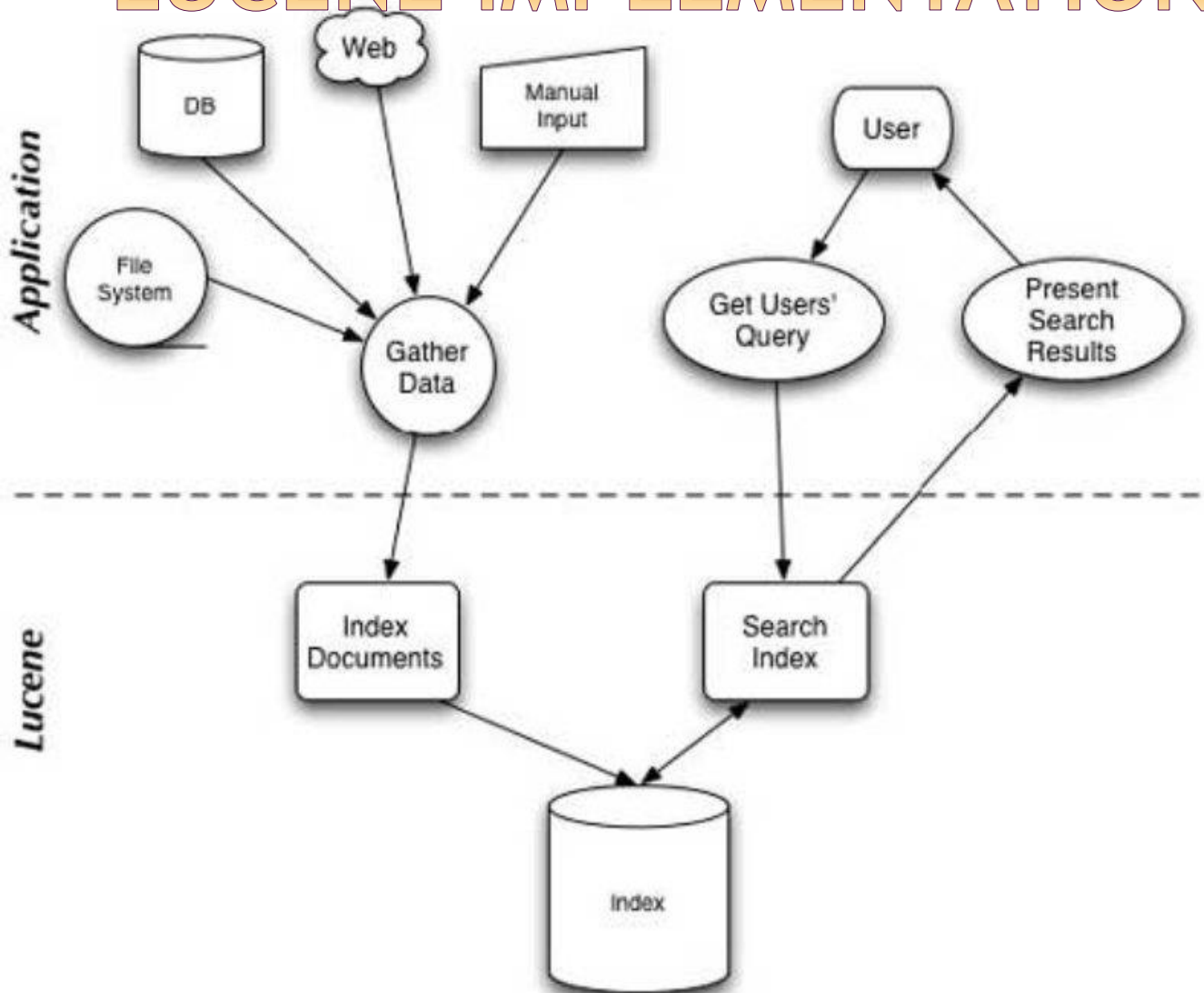
- ◉ Directory

- Abstract class that represents the location of an index

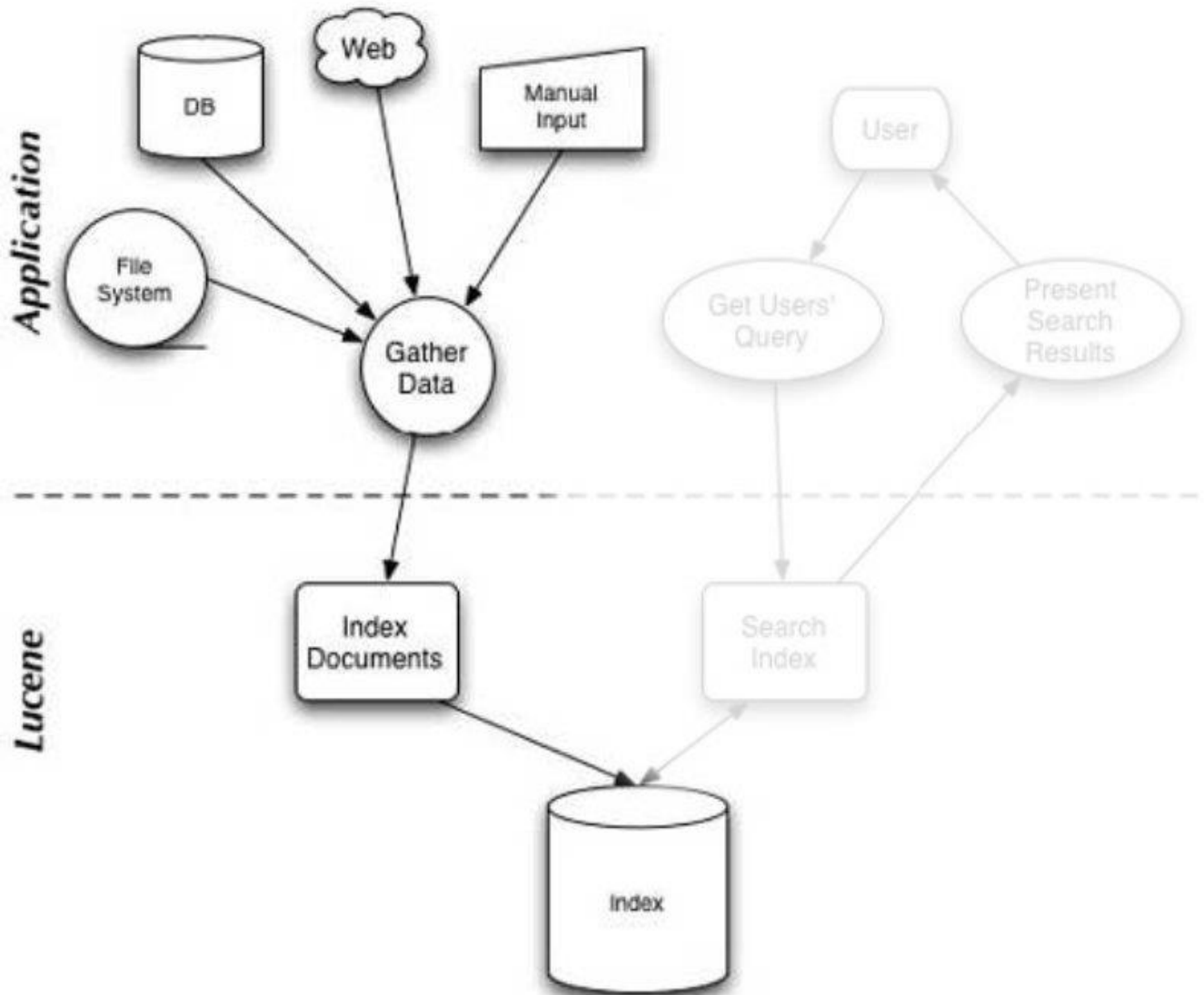
- ◉ Analyzer

- Extracts tokens from a text stream

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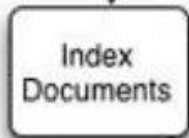


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Application



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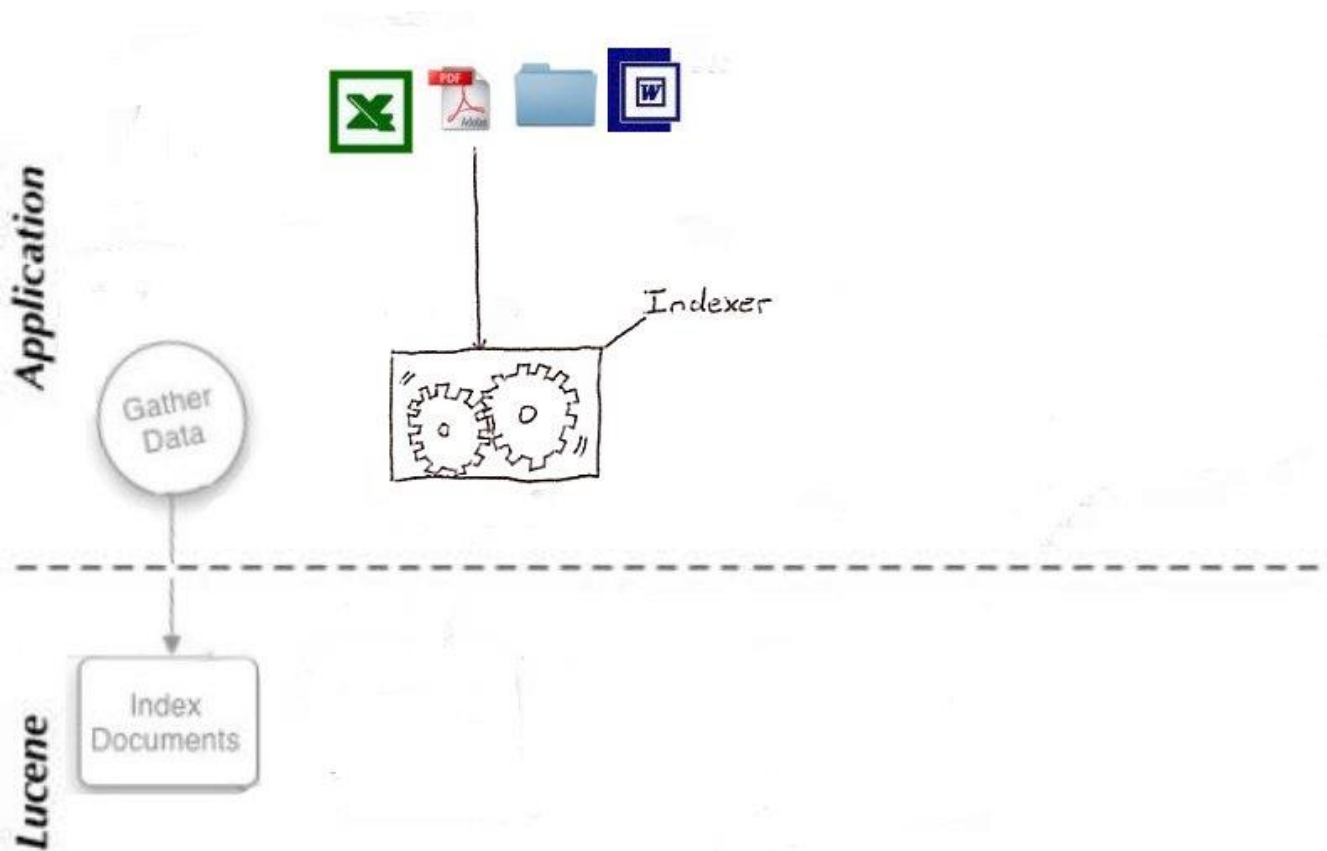
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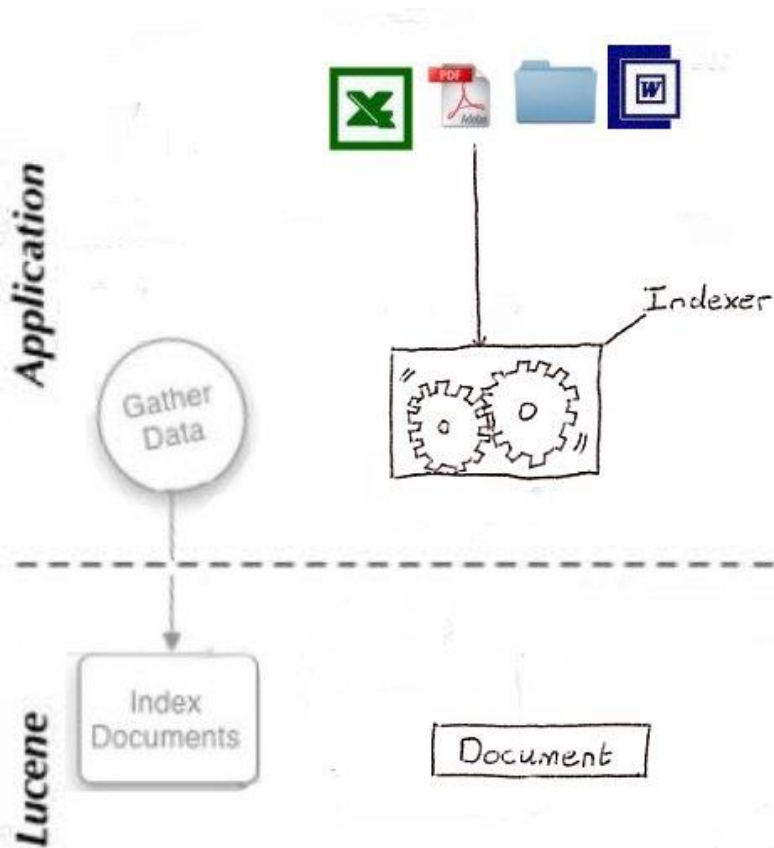
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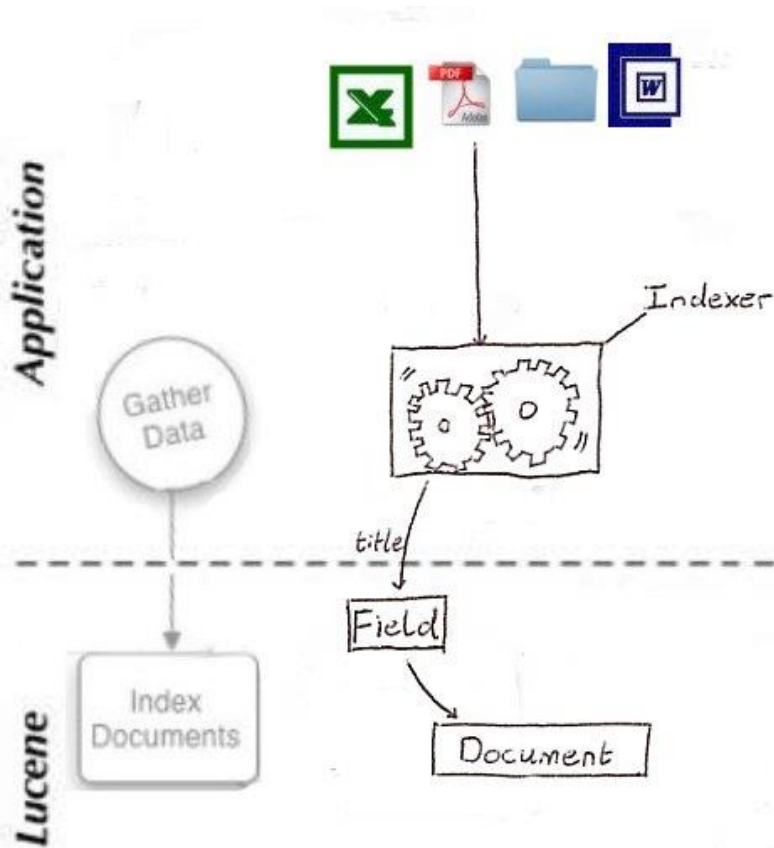
LUCENE INDEXING STEP 1 OF 5



```
Document document = new Document();
document.add(new Field("title", title, Field.Store.YES,
                      Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
document.add(new Field("content", content));
document.add(new Field("id", id, Field.Store.YES,
                      Field.Index.NO));

try {
    indexWriter.addDocument(document);
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

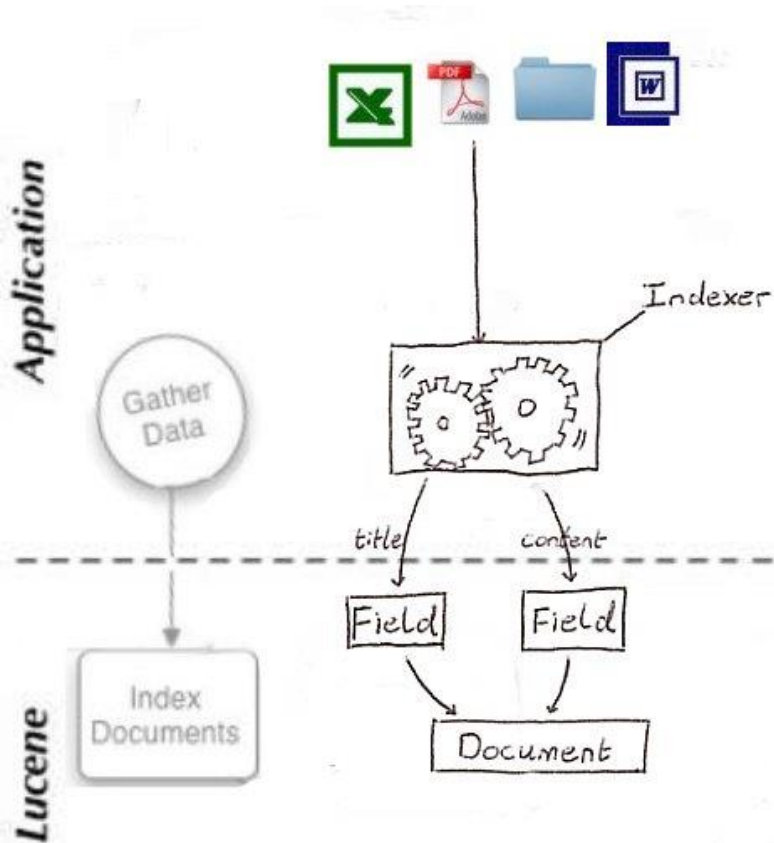
LUCENE INDEXING STEP 2 OF 5



```
Document document = new Document();
document.add(new Field("title", title, Field.Store.YES,
                      Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
document.add(new Field("content", content));
document.add(new Field("id", id, Field.Store.YES,
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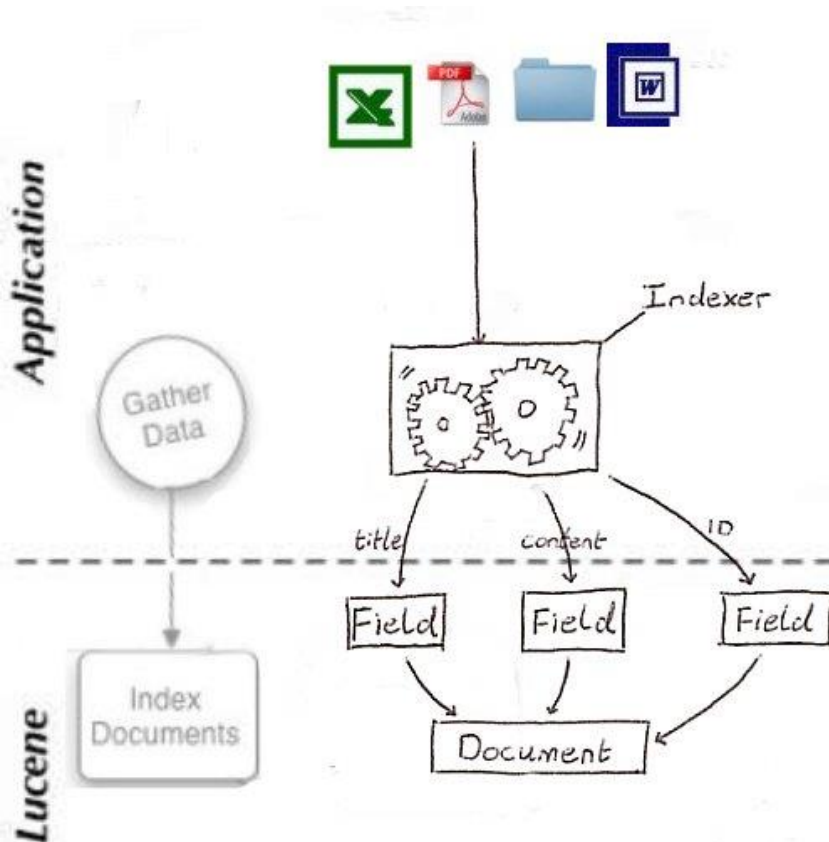
LUCENE INDEXING STEP 3 OF 5



```
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                      Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
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}
```

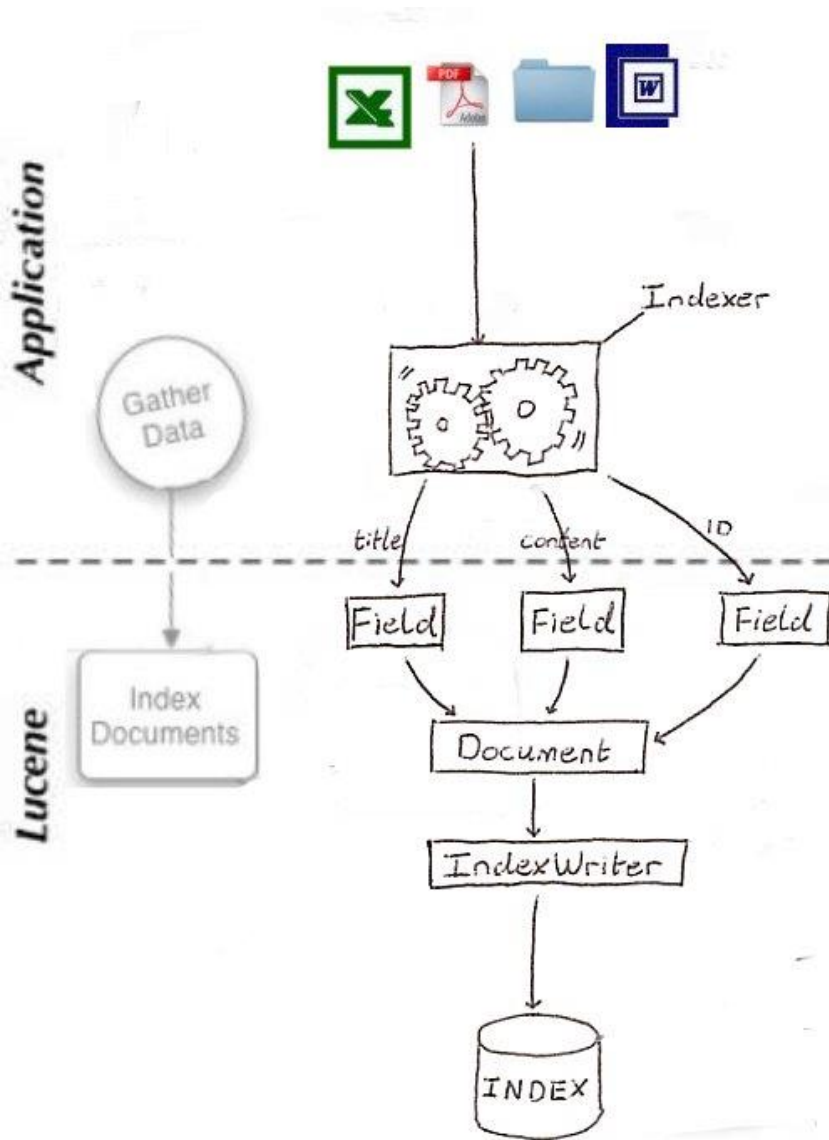

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```
Document document = new Document();
document.add(new Field("title", title, Field.Store.YES,
                       Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
document.add(new Field("content", content));
document.add(new Field("id", id, Field.Store.YES,
                       Field.Index.NO));

try {
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} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

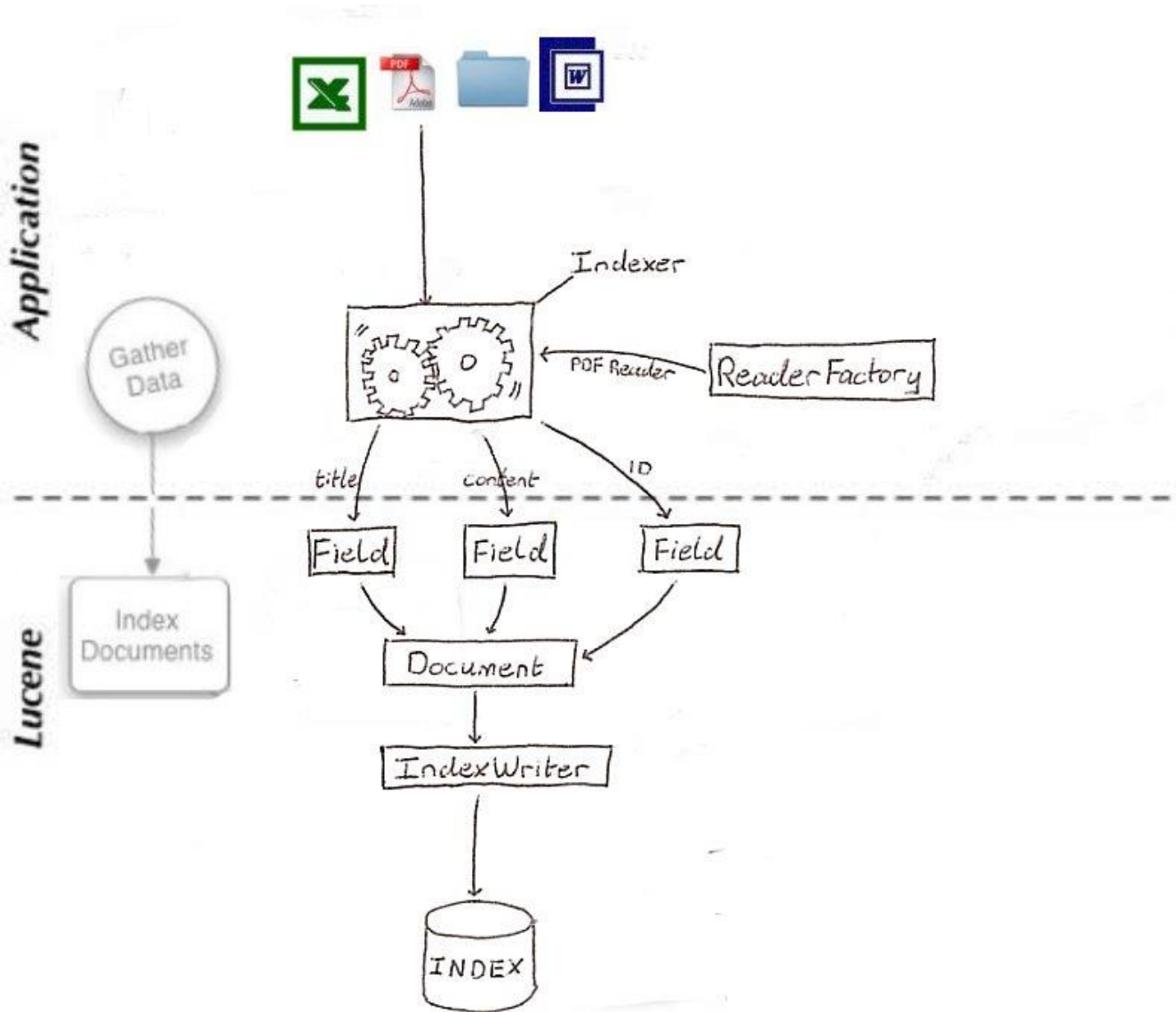
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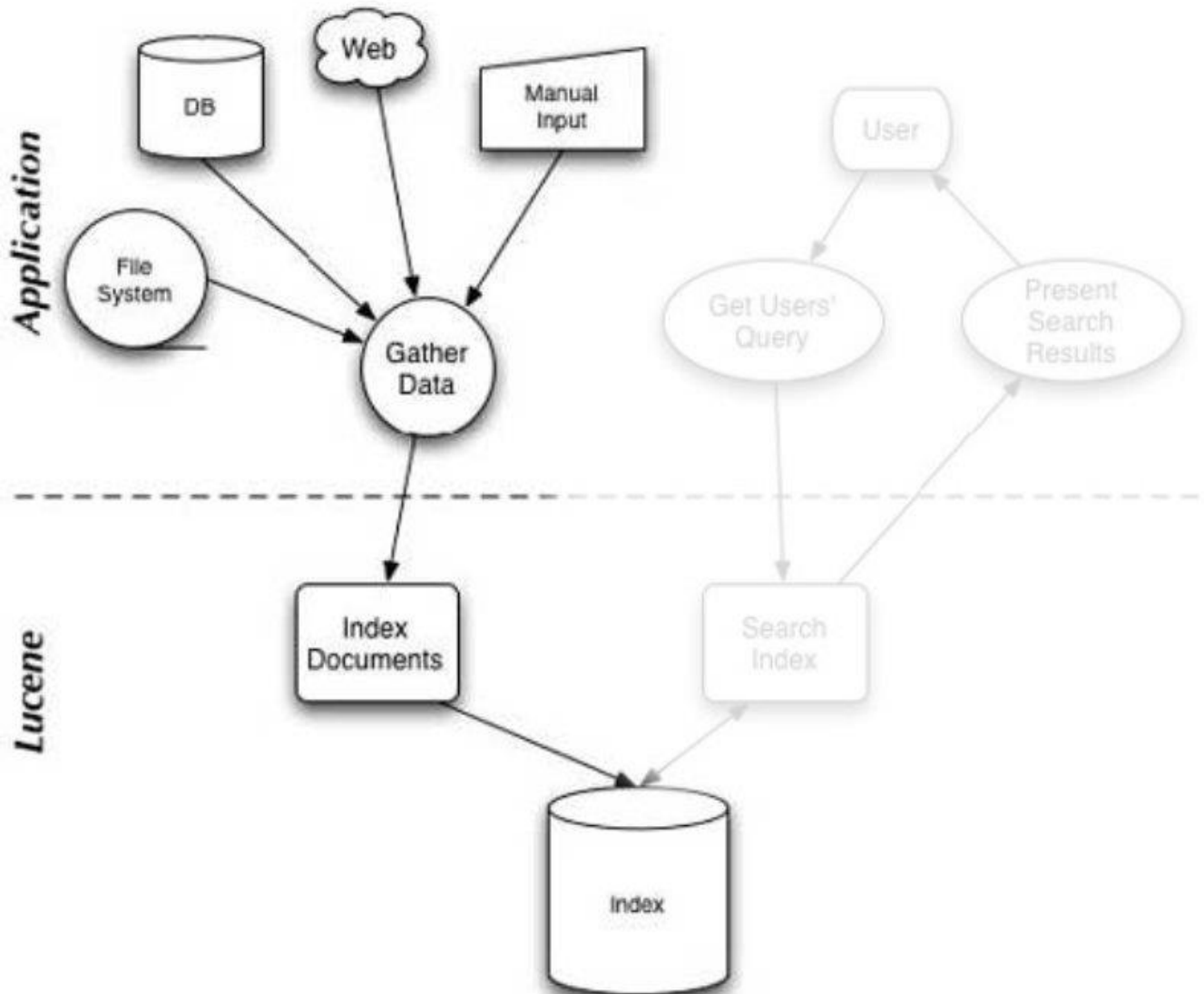
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                      Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
document.add(new Field("content", content));
document.add(new Field("id", id, Field.Store.YES,
                      Field.Index.NO));

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    indexWriter.addDocument(document);
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}
```

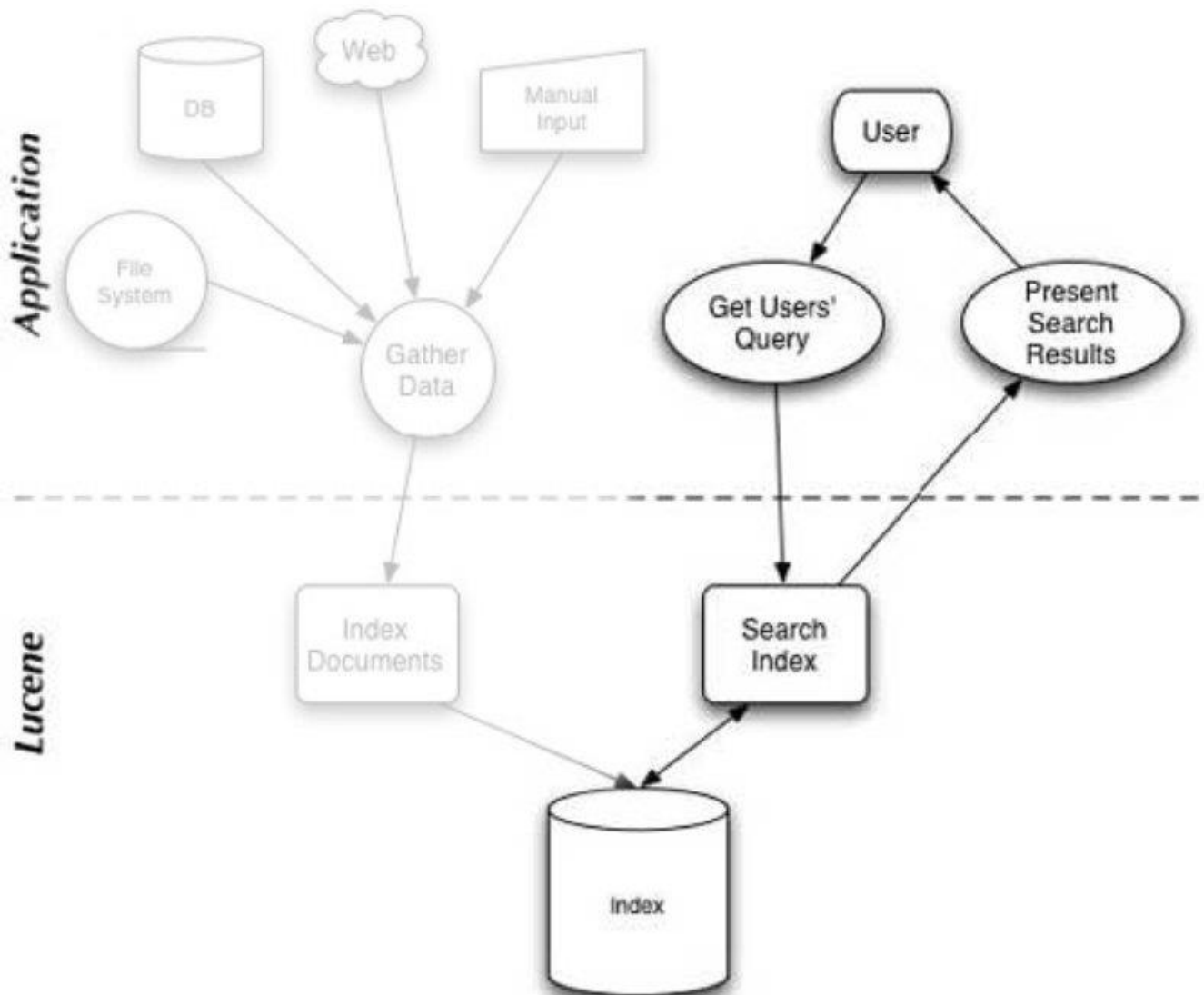
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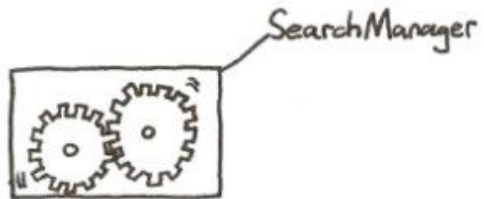
LUCENE IMPLEMENTATION



SEARCHING:

Application

Get Users' Query



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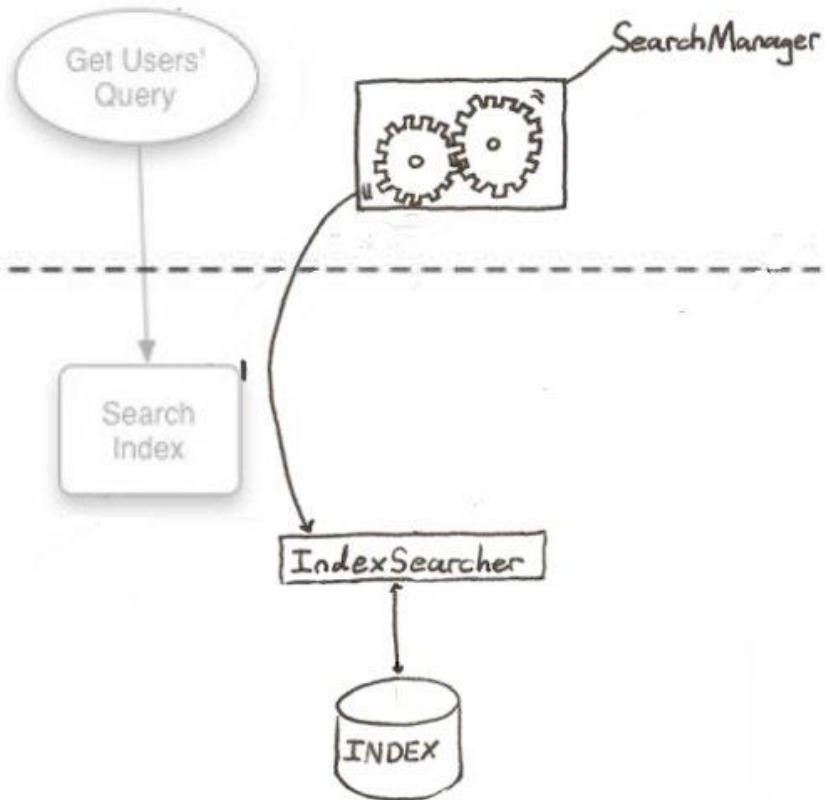
Search Index



SEARCHING: STEP 1 OF 6

```
IndexSearcher indexSearcher = null;  
try{  
    indexSearcher = new IndexSearcher("/opt/lucene/index");  
}catch(IOException ioe){  
    ioe.printStackTrace();  
}
```

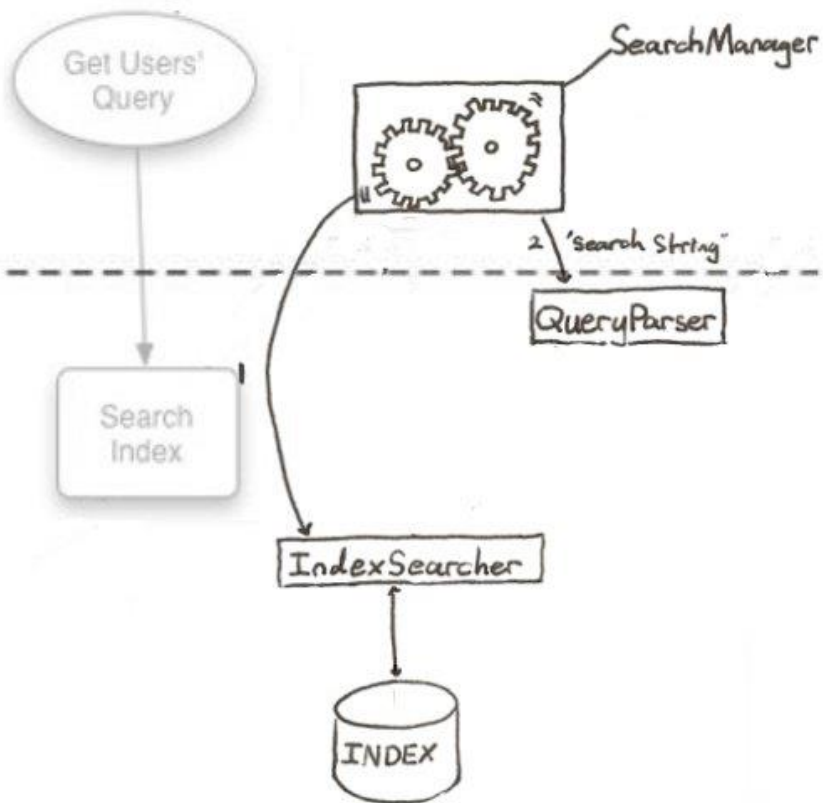
Application



SEARCHING: STEP 2 OF 6

Application

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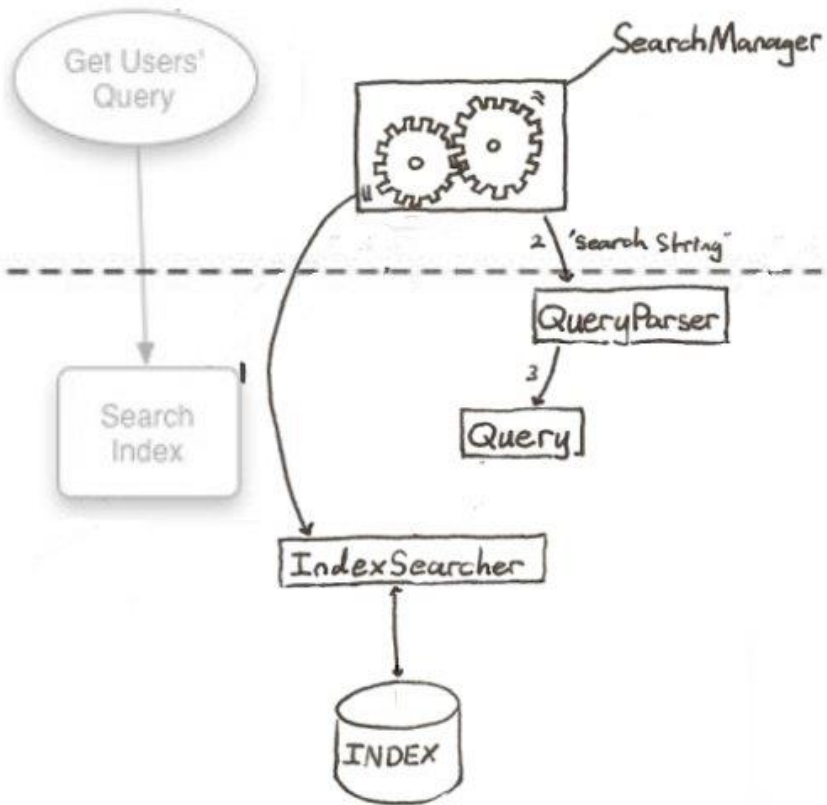


```
QueryParser queryParser = new QueryParser("content", analyzer);
```


SEARCHING: STEP 3 OF 6

Application

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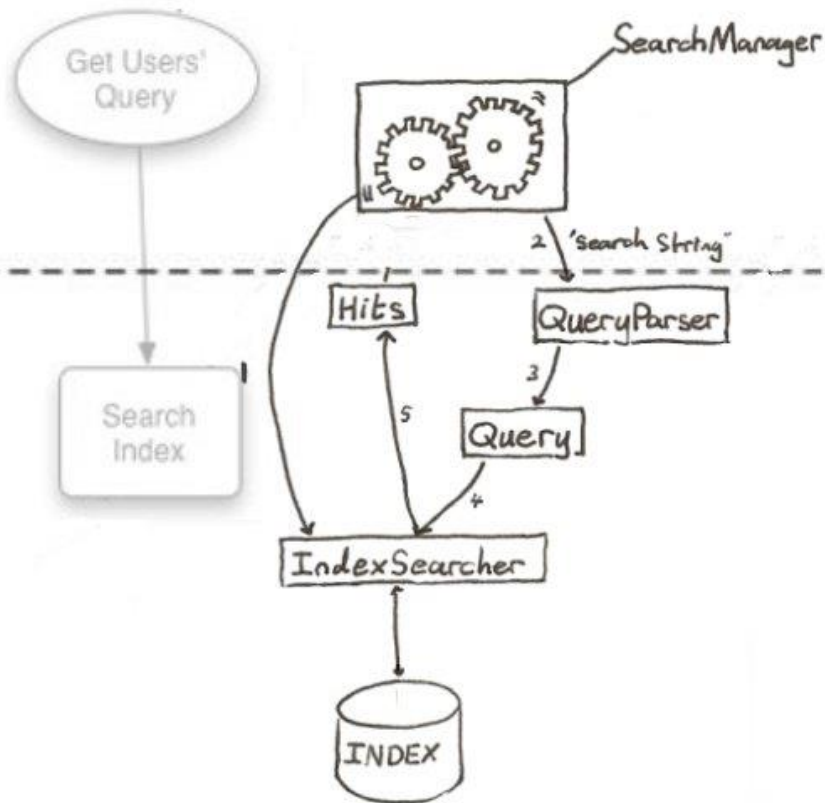


```
Query query = null;  
try {  
    query = queryParser.parse("Search string");  
} catch (ParseException e) {  
    e.printStackTrace();  
}
```

SEARCHING: STEP 4&5 OF 6

Application

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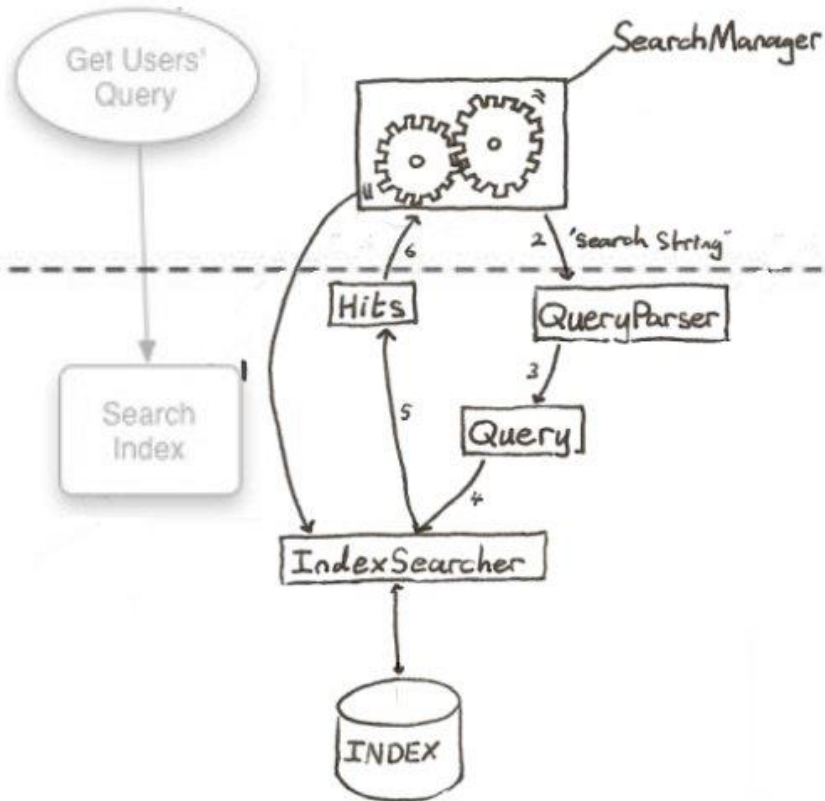


```
if(null != query && null != indexSearcher){  
    try {  
        Hits hits = indexSearcher.search(query);  
    }  
}
```

SEARCHING: STEP 6 OF 6

Application

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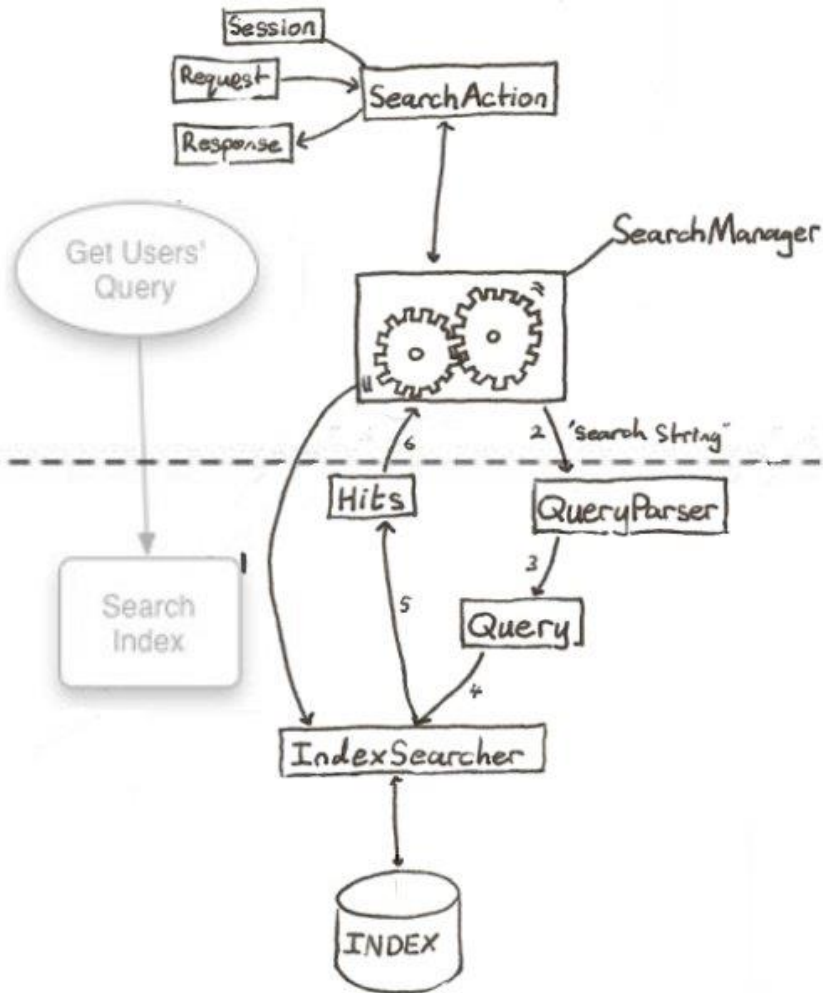


```
if(null != query && null != indexSearcher){  
    try {  
        Hits hits = indexSearcher.search(query);  
        for(int i = 0; i < hits.length(); i ++){  
            System.out.print(hits.doc(i).get("id"));  
            System.out.println(hits.doc(i).get("title"));  
        }  
    } catch (IOException e) {  
        e.printStackTrace();  
    }  
}
```

SEARCHING

Application

Lucene



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        }
    } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
```

CREATING AN INDEXWRITER

```
import org.apache.lucene.index.IndexWriter;  
import org.apache.lucene.store.Directory;  
import org.apache.lucene.analysis.standard.StandardAnalyzer;  
...  
private IndexWriter writer;  
...  
public Indexer(String indexDir) throws IOException {  
    Directory dir = FSDirectory.open(new File(indexDir));  
    writer = new IndexWriter(  
                                dir,  
                                new  
StandardAnalyzer(Version.LUCENE_30),  
                                true,  
                                IndexWriter.MaxFieldLength.UNLIMITED);  
}
```

CORE INDEXING CLASSES (CONTD.)

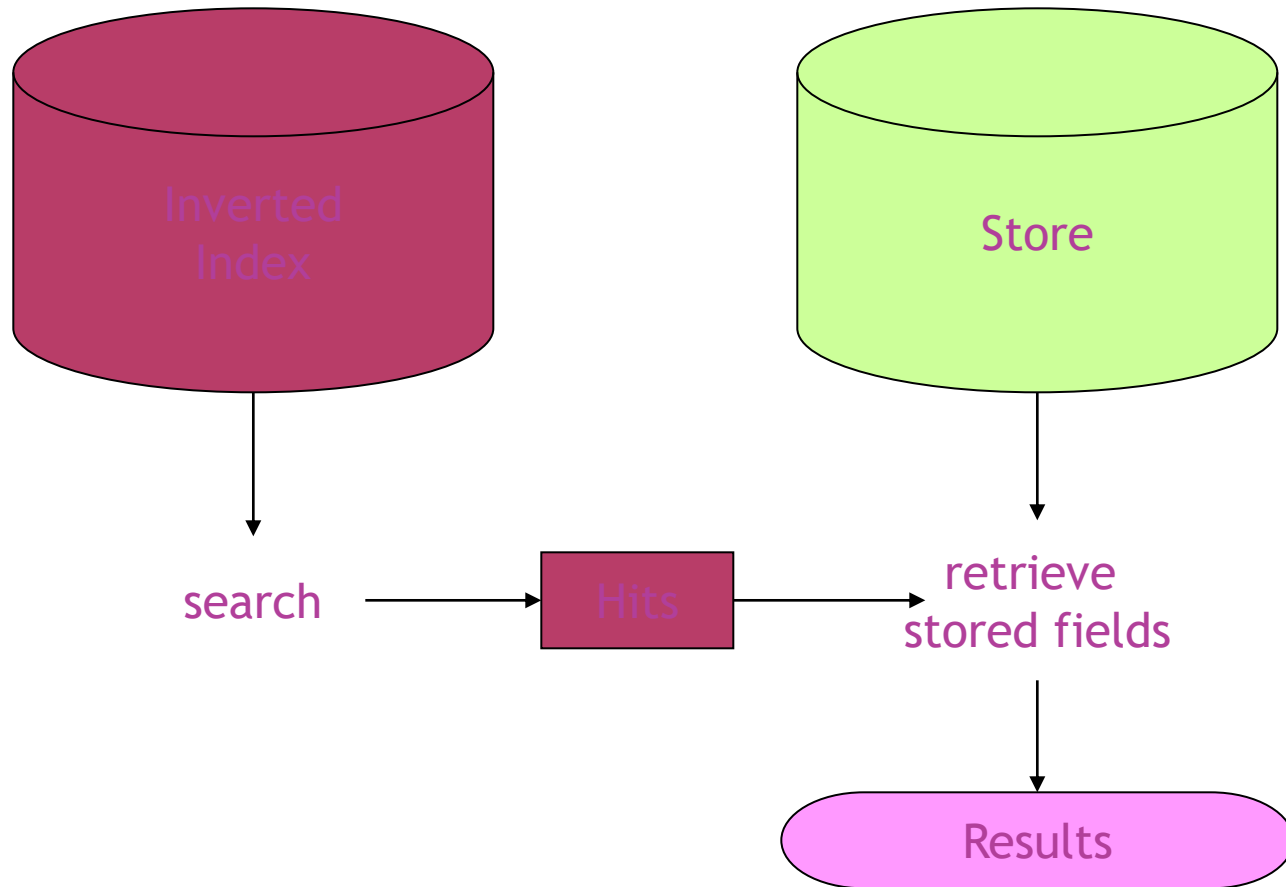
⊙ Document

- Represents a collection of named `Fields`. Text in these `Fields` are indexed.

⊙ Field

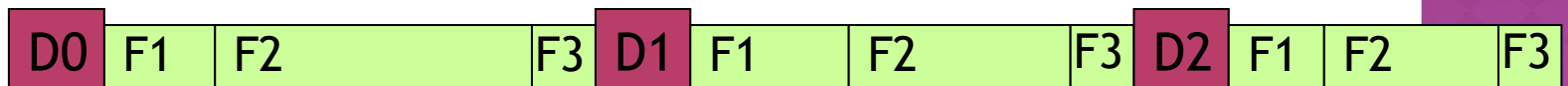
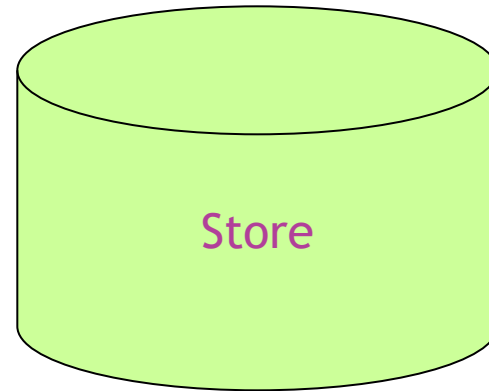
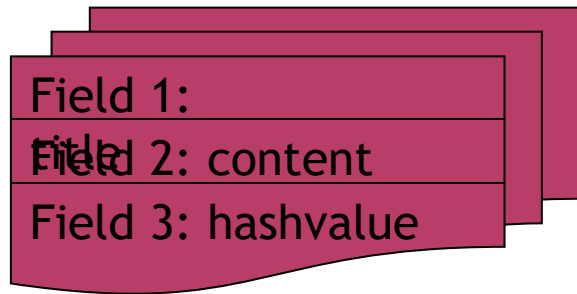
- Note: Lucene `Fields` can represent both “fields” and “zones”

Lucene's data structures



Store

Documents:



A DOCUMENT CONTAINS FIELDS

```
import org.apache.lucene.document.Document;  
import org.apache.lucene.document.Field;  
...  
protected Document getDocument(File f) throws Exception {  
    Document doc = new Document();  
    doc.add(new Field("contents", new FileReader(f)))  
    doc.add(new Field("filename", f.getName(),  
                    Field.Store.YES,  
                    Field.Index.NOT_ANALYZED));  
    doc.add(new Field("fullpath",  
                    f.getCanonicalPath(),  
                    Field.Store.YES,  
                    Field.Index.NOT_ANALYZED));  
    return doc;
```

INDEX A DOCUMENT WITH INDEXWRITER

```
private IndexWriter writer;
...
private void indexFile(File f) throws
    Exception {
    Document doc = getDocument(f);
    writer.addDocument(doc);
}
```

INDEXING A DIRECTORY

```
private IndexWriter writer;

...

public int index(String dataDir,
                  FileFilter filter)
    throws Exception {
    File[] files = new File(dataDir).listFiles();
    for (File f: files) {
        if (... &&
            (filter == null ||
             filter.accept(f))) {
            indexFile(f);
        }
    }
    return writer.numDocs();
}
```

CLOSING THE INDEXWRITER

```
private IndexWriter writer;  
...  
public void close() throws IOException  
{  
    writer.close();  
}
```

Indexing

⦿ Attributes

- Stored: original content retrievable
- Indexed: inverted, searchable
- Tokenized: analyzed, split into tokens

⦿ Factory methods

- Keyword: stored and indexed as single term
- Text: indexed, tokenized, and stored if String
- UnIndexed: stored
- UnStored: indexed, tokenized

⦿ Terms are what matter for searching

CORE SEARCHING CLASSES

- ◉ IndexSearcher

- Central class that exposes several search methods on an index

- ◉ Query

- Abstract query class. Concrete subclasses represent specific types of queries, e.g., matching terms in fields, boolean queries, phrase queries, ...

- ◉ QueryParser

- Parses a textual representation of a query into a Query instance

CREATING AN INDEXSEARCHER

```
import org.apache.lucene.search.IndexSearcher;  
...  
public static void search(String indexDir,  
  
    String q)  
    throws IOException, ParseException {  
    Directory dir = FSDirectory.open(  
                                                new  
File(indexDir));  
    IndexSearcher is = new IndexSearcher(dir);  
    ...  
}
```

QUERY AND QUERYPARSER

```
import org.apache.lucene.search.Query;  
import org.apache.lucene.queryParser.QueryParser;  
...  
public static void search(String indexDir, String q)  
    throws IOException, ParseException  
    ...  
    QueryParser parser =  
        new QueryParser(Version.LUCENE_30,  
  
"contents",  
  
new  
StandardAnalyzer(  
  
Version.LUCENE_30));
```


CORE SEARCHING CLASSES (CONTD.)

- ◉ TopDocs

- Contains references to the top documents returned by a search

- ◉ ScoreDoc

- Represents a single search result

SEARCH() RETURNS TOPDOCS

```
import org.apache.lucene.search.TopDocs;  
  
...  
public static void search(String indexDir,  
  
    String q)  
    throws IOException, ParseException  
...  
    IndexSearcher is = ...;  
...  
    Query query = ...;  
...  
    TopDocs hits = is.search(query, 10);
```

TOPDOCS CONTAIN SCOREDOCS

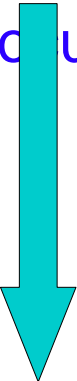
```
import org.apache.lucene.search.ScoreDoc;  
  
...  
public static void search(String indexDir, String q)  
    throws IOException, ParseException  
    ...  
    IndexSearcher is = ...;  
    ...  
    TopDocs hits = ...;  
    ...  
    for(ScoreDoc scoreDoc : hits.scoreDocs) {  
        Document doc = is.doc(scoreDoc.doc);  
        System.out.println(doc.get("fullpath"));  
    }  
}
```

CLOSING INDEXSEARCHER

```
public static void search(String indexDir,  
  
    String q)  
    throws IOException, ParseException  
...  
IndexSearcher is = ...;  
  
...  
is.close();  
  
}
```

LUCENE CODE EXAMPLE: INDEXING

```
□ 01 Analyzer analyzer = new StandardAnalyzer();
   02 IndexWriter iw = new IndexWriter("/tmp/testindex", analyzer, true);
   03
   04 Document doc = new Document();
   05 doc.add(new Field("body", "This is my TEST document",
   06           Field.Store.YES, Field.Index.TOKENIZED));
   07 iw.addDocument(doc);
   08
   09 iw.optimize();
   10 iw.close();
```



StandardAnalyzer: my, test, document

loop

LUCENE CODE EXAMPLE: SEARCHING

```
□ 01 Analyzer analyzer = new StandardAnalyzer();
  02 IndexSearcher is = new IndexSearcher("/tmp/testindex");
  03
  04 QueryParser qp = new QueryParser("body", analyzer);
  05 String userInput = "document AND test";
  06 Query q = qp.parse(userInput);
  07 Hits hits = is.search(q);
  08 for (Iterator iter = hits.iterator(); iter.hasNext();) {
  09     Hit hit = (Hit) iter.next();
  10     System.out.println(hit.getScore() + " " + hit.get("body"));
  11 }
  12
  13 is.close();
```

HOW LUCENE MODELS CONTENT

- ⊙ **A Document is the atomic unit of indexing and searching**
 - A Document contains Fields
- ⊙ **Fields have a name and a value**
 - You have to translate raw content into Fields
 - Examples: Title, author, date, abstract, body, URL, keywords, ...
 - Different documents can have different fields
 - Search a field using name:term, e.g., title:lucene

FIELDS

- ◉ Fields may

- Be indexed or not

- Indexed fields may or may not be analyzed (i.e., tokenized with an `Analyzer`)
 - Non-analyzed fields view the entire value as a single token (useful for URLs, paths, dates, social security numbers, ...)

- Be stored or not

- Useful for fields that you'd like to display to users

- Optionally store term vectors

- Like a positional index on the `Field`'s terms
 - Useful for highlighting, finding similar documents, categorization

FIELD CONSTRUCTION

LOTS OF DIFFERENT CONSTRUCTORS

```
import org.apache.lucene.document.Field

Field(String name,
        String value,
        Field.Store store,    // store or
not
        Field.Index index,   // index or
not
        Field.TermVector termVector);
```

value **can also be specified with a Reader, a
TokenStream, or a byte[]**

FIELD OPTIONS

⦿ Field.Store

- NO : Don't store the field value in the index
- YES : Store the field value in the index

⦿ Field.Index

- ANALYZED : Tokenize with an Analyzer
- NOT_ANALYZED : Do not tokenize
- NO : Do not index this field
- Couple of other advanced options

⦿ Field.TermVector

- NO : Don't store term vectors
- YES : Store term vectors
- Several other options to store positions and offsets

USING FIELD OPTIONS

Index	Store	TermVector	Example usage
NOT_ANALYZED	YES	NO	Identifiers, telephone/SSNs, URLs, dates, ...
ANALYZED	YES	WITH_POSITIONS_OFFSETS	Title, abstract
ANALYZED	NO	WITH_POSITIONS_OFFSETS	Body
NO	YES	NO	Document type, DB keys (if not used for searching)
NOT_ANALYZED	NO	NO	Hidden keywords

DOCUMENT

```
import org.apache.lucene.document.Field
```

◉ Constructor:

- `Document();`

◉ Methods

- `void add(Fieldable field);` // Field implements
// Fieldable
- `String get(String name);` // Returns value of
Field with given
// name
- `Fieldable getFieldable(String name);`
- ... and many more

MULTI-VALUED FIELDS

- ◉ You can add multiple `Field`s with the same name
 - Lucene simply concatenates the different values for that named `Field`

```
Document doc = new Document();
doc.add(new Field("author",
                  "chris
manning",
                  Field.Store.YES,
                  Field.Index.ANALYZED));
doc.add(new Field("author",
                  "prabhakar
raghavan",
                  Field.Store.YES,
                  Field.Index.ANALYZED));
...
```

ANALYZERS

- ◉ Tokenizes the input text
- ◉ Common Analyzers
 - `WhitespaceAnalyzer`
Splits tokens on whitespace
 - `SimpleAnalyzer`
Splits tokens on non-letters, and then lowercases
 - `StopAnalyzer`
Same as `SimpleAnalyzer`, but also removes stop words
 - `StandardAnalyzer`
Most sophisticated analyzer that knows about certain token types, lowercases, removes stop words, ...

ANALYSIS EXAMPLES

- ◉ “The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog”
- ◉ WhitespaceAnalyzer
 - [The] [quick] [brown] [fox] [jumped] [over] [the] [lazy] [dog]
- ◉ SimpleAnalyzer
 - [the] [quick] [brown] [fox] [jumped] [over] [the] [lazy] [dog]
- ◉ StopAnalyzer
 - [quick] [brown] [fox] [jumped] [over] [lazy] [dog]
- ◉ StandardAnalyzer
 - [quick] [brown] [fox] [jumped] [over] [lazy] [dog]

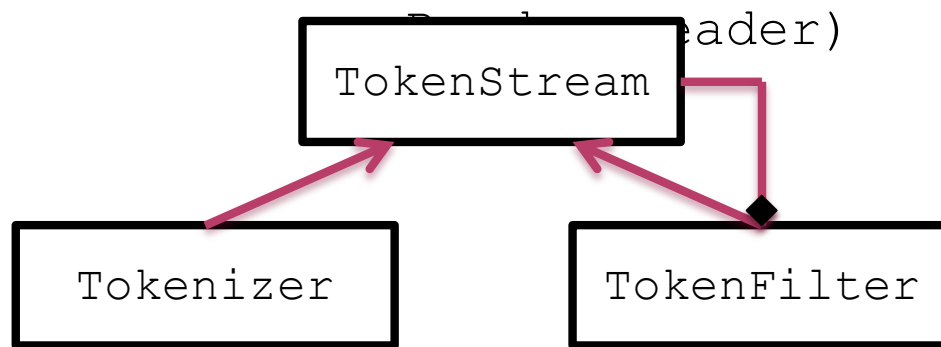
MORE ANALYSIS EXAMPLES

- ◉ “XY&Z Corporation - xyz@example.com”
- ◉ WhitespaceAnalyzer
 - [XY&Z] [Corporation] [-] [xyz@example.com]
- ◉ SimpleAnalyzer
 - [xy] [z] [corporation] [xyz] [example] [com]
- ◉ StopAnalyzer
 - [xy] [z] [corporation] [xyz] [example] [com]
- ◉ StandardAnalyzer
 - [xy&z] [corporation] [xyz@example.com]

WHAT'S INSIDE AN ANALYZER?

- Analyzers need to return a `TokenStream`

```
public TokenStream tokenStream(String  
fieldName,
```



TOKENIZERS AND TOKENFILTERS

○ Tokenizer

- WhitespaceTokenizer
- KeywordTokenizer
- LetterTokenizer
- StandardTokenizer
- ...

■ TokenFilter

- LowerCaseFilter
- StopFilter
- PorterStemFilter
- ASCIIFoldingFilter
- StandardFilter
- ...

INDEXWRITER CONSTRUCTION

// Deprecated

```
IndexWriter(Directory d,  
             Analyzer a,    //  
             default analyzer
```

```
IndexWriter.MaxFieldLength mfl);
```

// Preferred

```
IndexWriter(Directory d,  
             IndexWriterConfig c);
```

ADDING/DELETING DOCUMENTS TO/FROM AN INDEXWRITER

```
void addDocument (Document d) ;  
void addDocument (Document d, Analyzer a) ;
```

Important: Need to ensure that `Analyzers` used at indexing time are consistent with `Analyzers` used at searching time

```
// deletes docs containing term or matching  
// query. The term version is useful for  
// deleting one document.  
void deleteDocuments (Term term) ;  
void deleteDocuments (Query query) ;
```

INDEX FORMAT

- ◉ Each Lucene index consists of one or more segments
 - A segment is a standalone index for a subset of documents
 - All segments are searched
 - A segment is created whenever `IndexWriter` flushes adds/deletes
- ◉ Periodically, `IndexWriter` will merge a set of segments into a single segment
 - Policy specified by a `MergePolicy`
- ◉ You can explicitly invoke `optimize()` to merge segments

BASIC MERGE POLICY

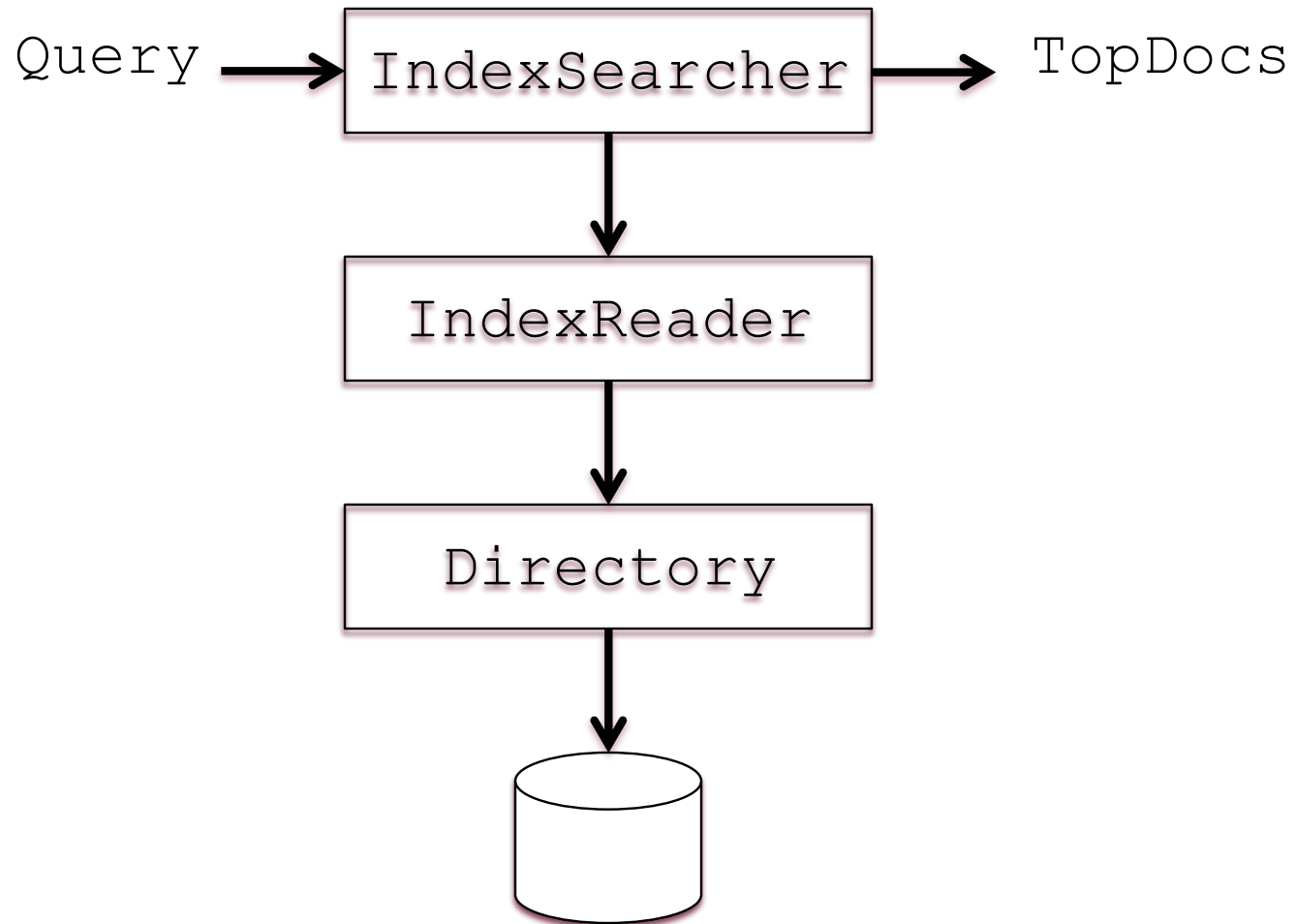
- ◉ Segments are grouped into levels
- ◉ Segments within a group are roughly equal size (in log space)
- ◉ Once a level has enough segments, they are merged into a segment at the next level up

INDEXSEARCHER

◉ Constructor:

- `IndexSearcher (Directory d) ;`
 - ◉ deprecated

INDEXREADER



INDEXSEARCHER

◉ Constructor:

- `IndexSearcher (Directory d) ;`
 - ◉ deprecated
- `IndexSearcher (IndexReader r) ;`
 - ◉ **Construct an IndexReader with static method**
`IndexReader.open (dir)`

SEARCHING A CHANGING INDEX

```
Directory dir = FSDirectory.open(...);  
IndexReader reader = IndexReader.open(dir);  
IndexSearcher searcher = new IndexSearcher(reader);
```

Above reader does not reflect changes to the index unless you reopen it.

Reopening is more resource efficient than opening a new IndexReader.

```
IndexReader newReader = reader.reopen();  
If (reader != newReader) {  
    reader.close();  
    reader = newReader;  
    searcher = new IndexSearcher(reader);  
}
```

NEAR-REAL-TIME SEARCH

```
IndexWriter writer = ...;  
IndexReader reader = writer.getReader();  
IndexSearcher searcher = new IndexSearcher(reader);
```

Now let us say there's a change to the index using `writer`

```
// reopen() and getReader() force writer to flush  
IndexReader newReader = reader.reopen();  
if (reader != newReader) {  
    reader.close();  
    reader = newReader;  
    searcher = new IndexSearcher(reader);  
}
```

INDEXSEARCHER

⦿ Methods

- `TopDocs search(Query q, int n);`
- `Document doc(int docID);`

QUERYPARSER

◉ Constructor

- `QueryParser (Version matchVersion,
String
defaultField,
Analyzer
analyzer) ;`

◉ Parsing methods

- `Query parse (String query) throws
ParseException;`
- ... and many more

QUERYPARSER SYNTAX EXAMPLES

Query expression	Document matches if...
java	Contains the term <i>java</i> in the default field
java junit java OR junit	Contains the term <i>java</i> or <i>junit</i> or both in the default field (<i>the default operator can be changed to AND</i>)
+java +junit java AND junit	Contains both <i>java</i> and <i>junit</i> in the default field
title:ant	Contains the term <i>ant</i> in the title field
title:extreme - subject:sports	Contains <i>extreme</i> in the title and not <i>sports</i> in subject
(agile OR extreme) AND java	Boolean expression matches
title:"junit in action"	Phrase matches in title
title:"junit action"~5	Proximity matches (within 5) in title
java*	Wildcard matches
java~	Fuzzy matches

CONSTRUCT QUERYs PROGRAMMATICALLY

- ◉ TermQuery
 - Constructed from a Term
- ◉ TermRangeQuery
- ◉ NumericRangeQuery
- ◉ PrefixQuery
- ◉ BooleanQuery
- ◉ PhraseQuery
- ◉ WildcardQuery
- ◉ FuzzyQuery
- ◉ MatchAllDocsQuery

TOPDOCS AND SCOREDOC

◉ TopDocs **methods**

- Number of documents that matched the search
`totalHits`
- Array of `ScoreDoc` instances containing results
`scoreDocs`
- Returns best score of all matches
`getMaxScore()`

◉ ScoreDoc **methods**

- Document id
`doc`
- Document score
`score`

SCORING

- ⦿ Scoring function uses

- Programmable boost values for certain fields in documents
- Length normalization
- Boosts for documents containing more of the query terms

- ⦿ `IndexSearcher` provides an `explain()` method that explains the scoring of a document

SEARCH AND ANALYTICS (USING ELASTICSEARCH)

- ◉ Search - what's the big deal?
- ◉ Basic/Metadata retrieval
- ◉ “Find banks with more then (x) accounts”
- ◉ “Find banks *near my location*”



SEARCH CATEGORIES

- ◉ Basic/Metadata retrieval : data stores
- ◉ search engines:
 - Full-text search
 - Highlighting
 - Geolocation
 - Fuzzy search (“did-you-mean”)
 - Natural Language

ELASTICSEARCH

- ◉ **ElasticSearch** is a Distributed, RESTful, free/open source search server based on Apache Lucene. It is developed by Shay Banon^[1] and is released under the terms of the Apache License. ElasticSearch is developed in Java.
- ◉ **Open-Source Search & Analytics engine**
 - Structured & Unstructured Data
 - Real Time
 - Analytics capabilities (facets)
 - REST based
- ◉ **Distributed**
 - Designed for the Cloud
 - Designed for Big Data

ELASTICSEARCH

◉ Advantages:

- Elasticsearch is distributed.
- Elasticsearch fully supports the near real-time search of Apache Lucene.
- Handling multitenancy is not a special configuration, whereas a more advanced setup is necessary with Solr.
- Elasticsearch introduces the concept of the Gateway, which makes full backups easier.

◉ Disadvantages:

- Vendor dependent

USE CASE - TEXT SEARCH

The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the 'elasticsearch' repository. A search dropdown is open, displaying results for the query 'elastic'. The repository page itself shows 4,082 stars and 863 forks. Below the repository name, there are 1000+ commits. A commit history table is visible, listing recent changes.

Search Results:

- elasticsearch/elasticsearch-hadoop Read and write data to/from Elasticsearch with Hadoop
- elasticsearch/elasticsearch.github.com
- elasticsearch/elasticsearch-hdfs Hadoop Plugin for Elasticsearch
- @elasticsearch Organization
- @elasticsearch-com Organization

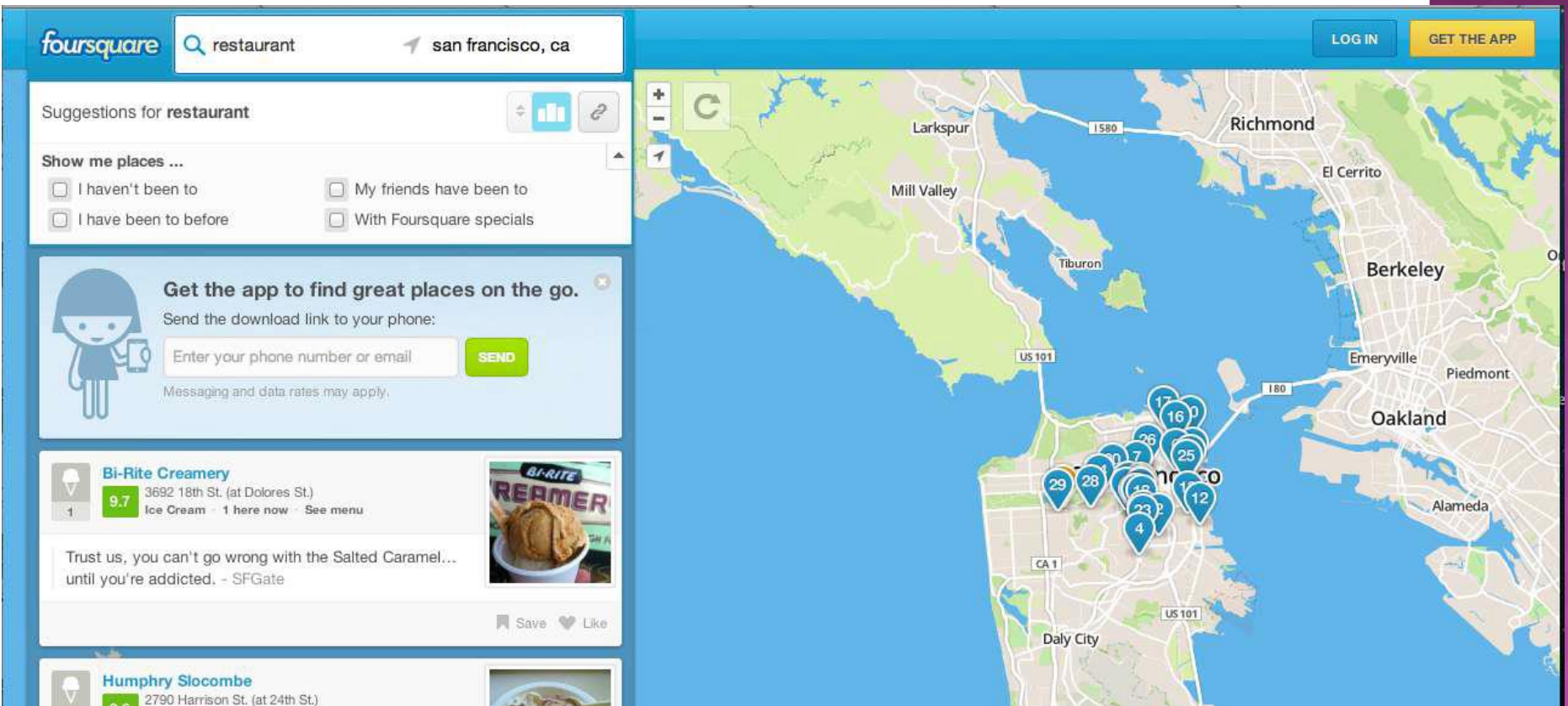
Repository: elasticsearch (1000+ commits)

Commit History:

File	Time	Commit Message
bin	5 months ago	Make elasticsearch.in.sh more configurable via env [philk]
config	6 months ago	Indexing Slow Log [kimchy]
lib	2 years ago	upgrade to sigar 1.6.4 [kimchy]
src	2 days ago	Dates accessed from scripts should use UTC timezone [kimchy]

USE CASE - GEOLOCATION

- Searches 50,000,000 venues every day using Elasticsearch



The screenshot displays the Foursquare website interface. At the top, the search bar contains the text "restaurant" and "san francisco, ca". Below the search bar, there are suggestions for "restaurant" and a section titled "Show me places ..." with checkboxes for "I haven't been to", "I have been to before", "My friends have been to", and "With Foursquare specials". A promotional banner for the Foursquare app is visible, encouraging users to get the app to find great places on the go. The main content area features a map of San Francisco with numerous blue pins indicating restaurant locations. The pins are numbered, with some showing the number of reviews or ratings. The map includes labels for various neighborhoods such as Larkspur, Mill Valley, Tiburon, Richmond, El Cerrito, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont, Oakland, Alameda, and Daly City. The Foursquare logo is visible in the top left corner, and there are "LOG IN" and "GET THE APP" buttons in the top right corner.