

Leveraging Knowledge Bases for Contextual Entity Exploration

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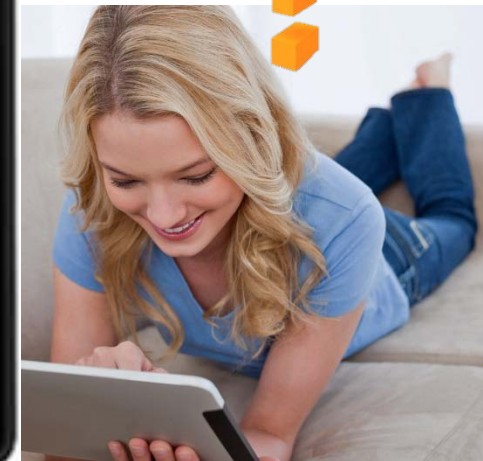
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Contextual Insight Problem

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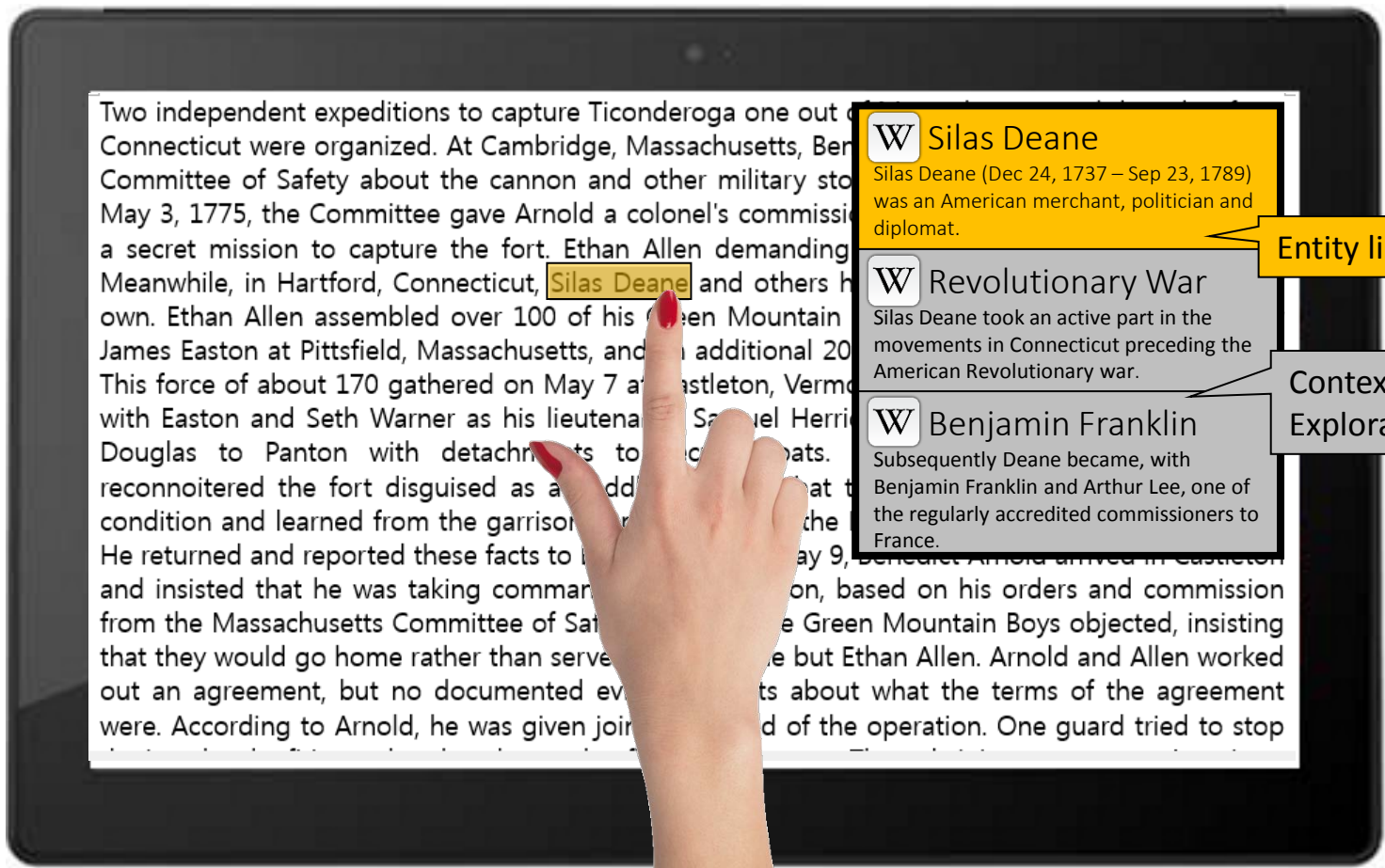
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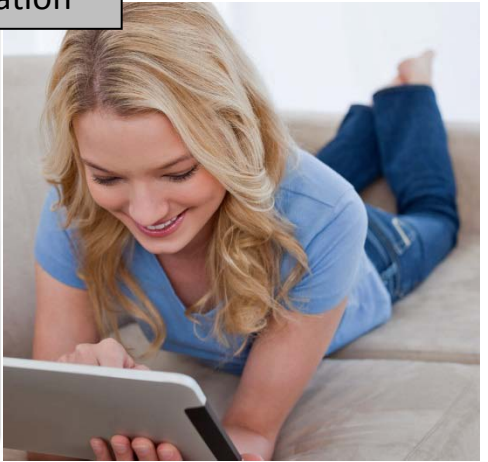
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Within application

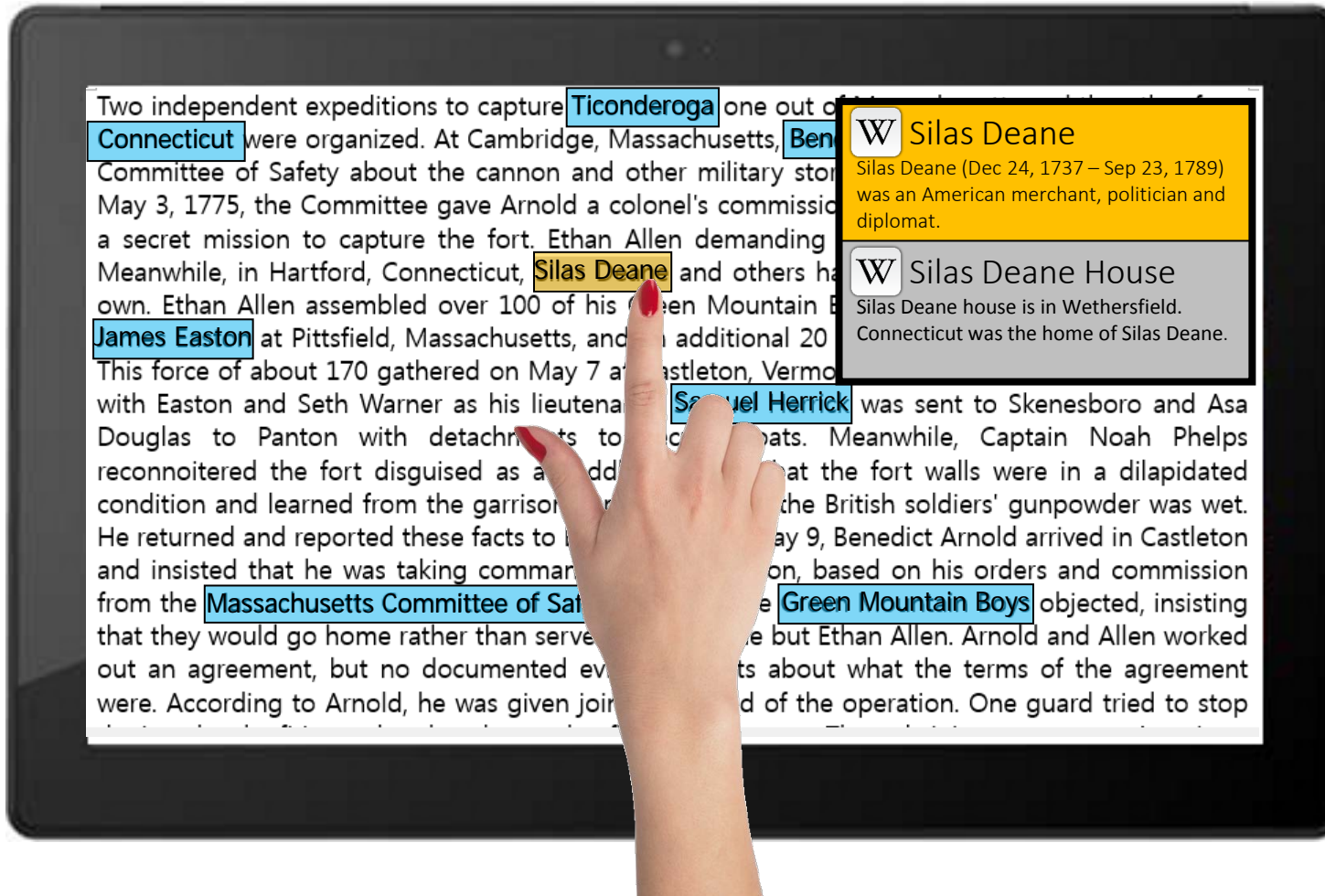
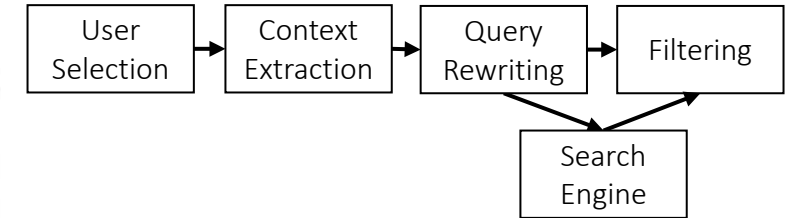


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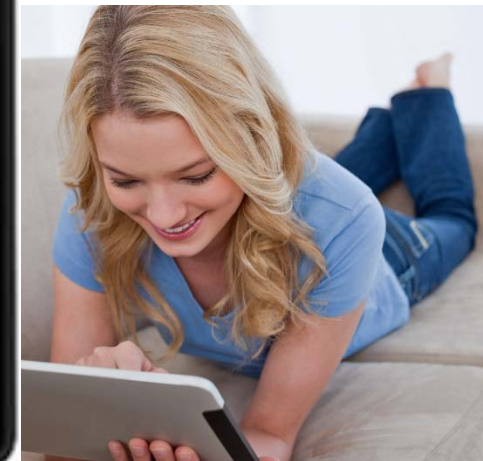
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Query Rewriting Approaches

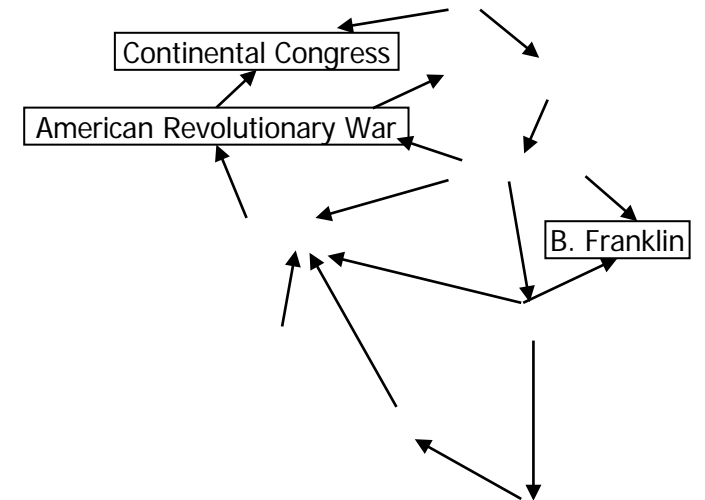


“Silas Deane” rankonly:Connecticut
rankonly:Ticonderoga

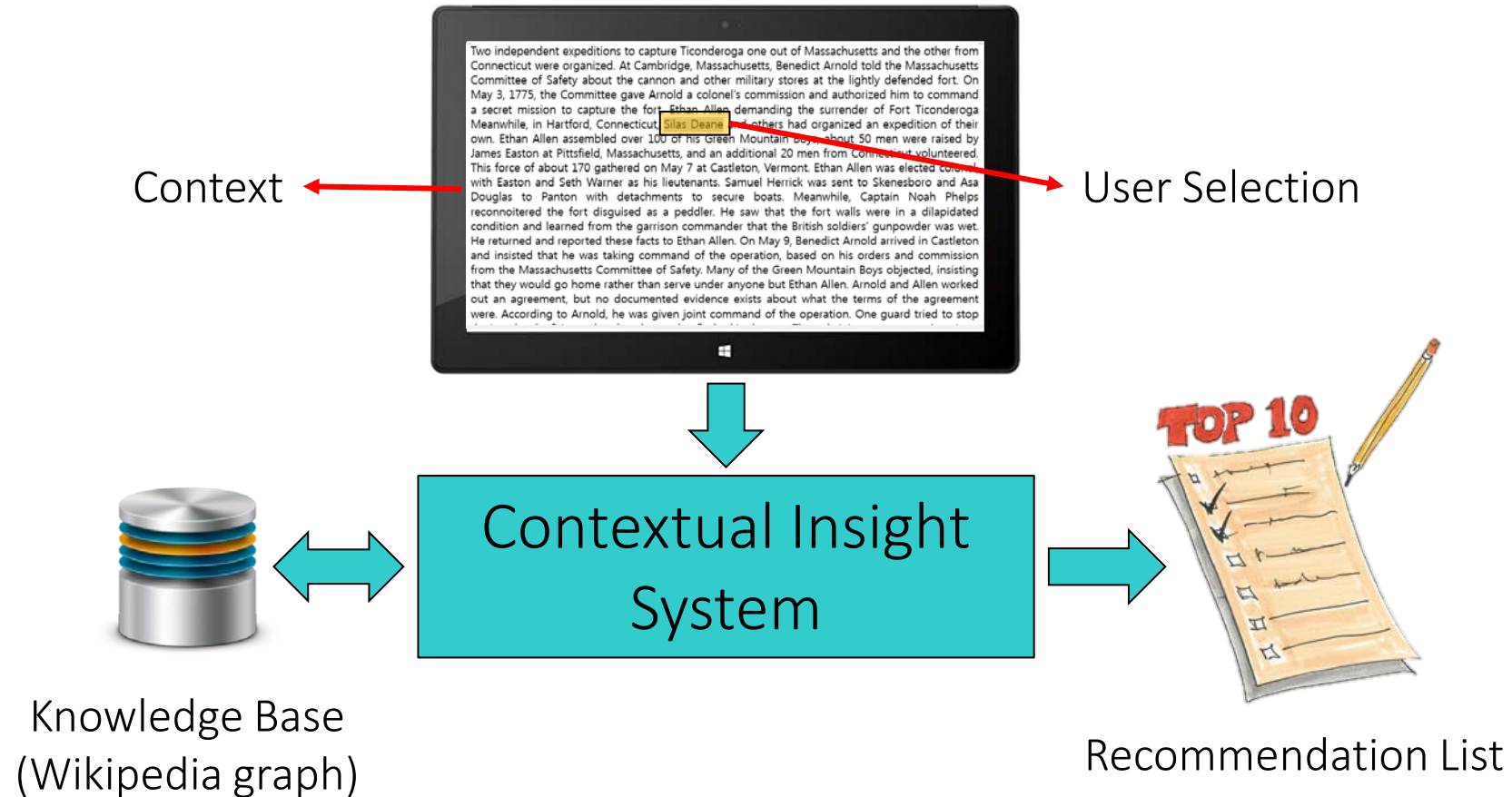


Proposed Approach: Leveraging Semantics in KB

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Problem Definition



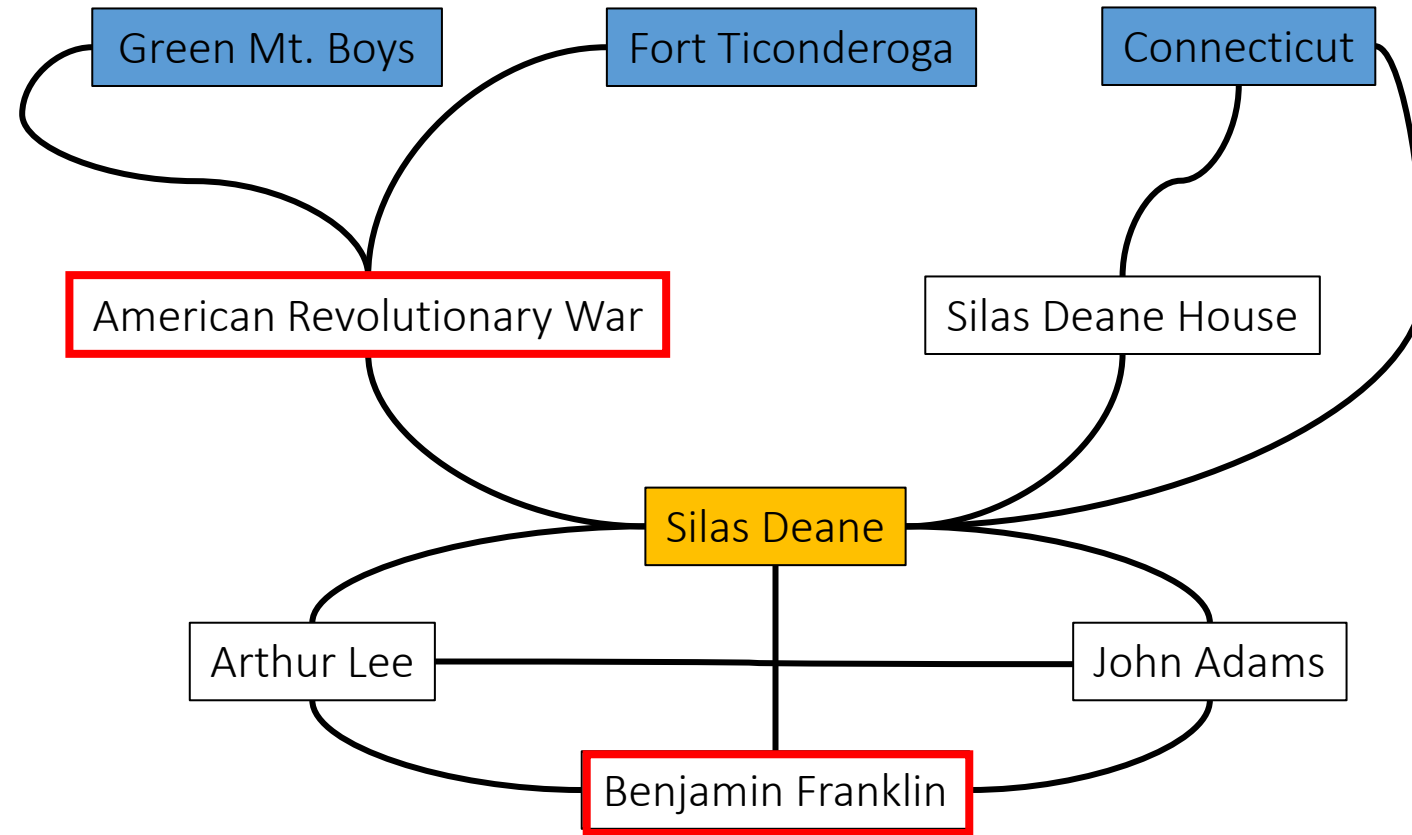
Previous work leveraging Wikipedia graph:

[Yeh2009] WikiWalk: random walks on Wikipedia for semantic relatedness.

[Agrawal2014] Similarity Search using Concept Graphs.

[Milne2008] An Effective, Low-Cost Measure of Semantic Relatedness Obtained from Wikipedia Links.

Focused Sub-graph Construction

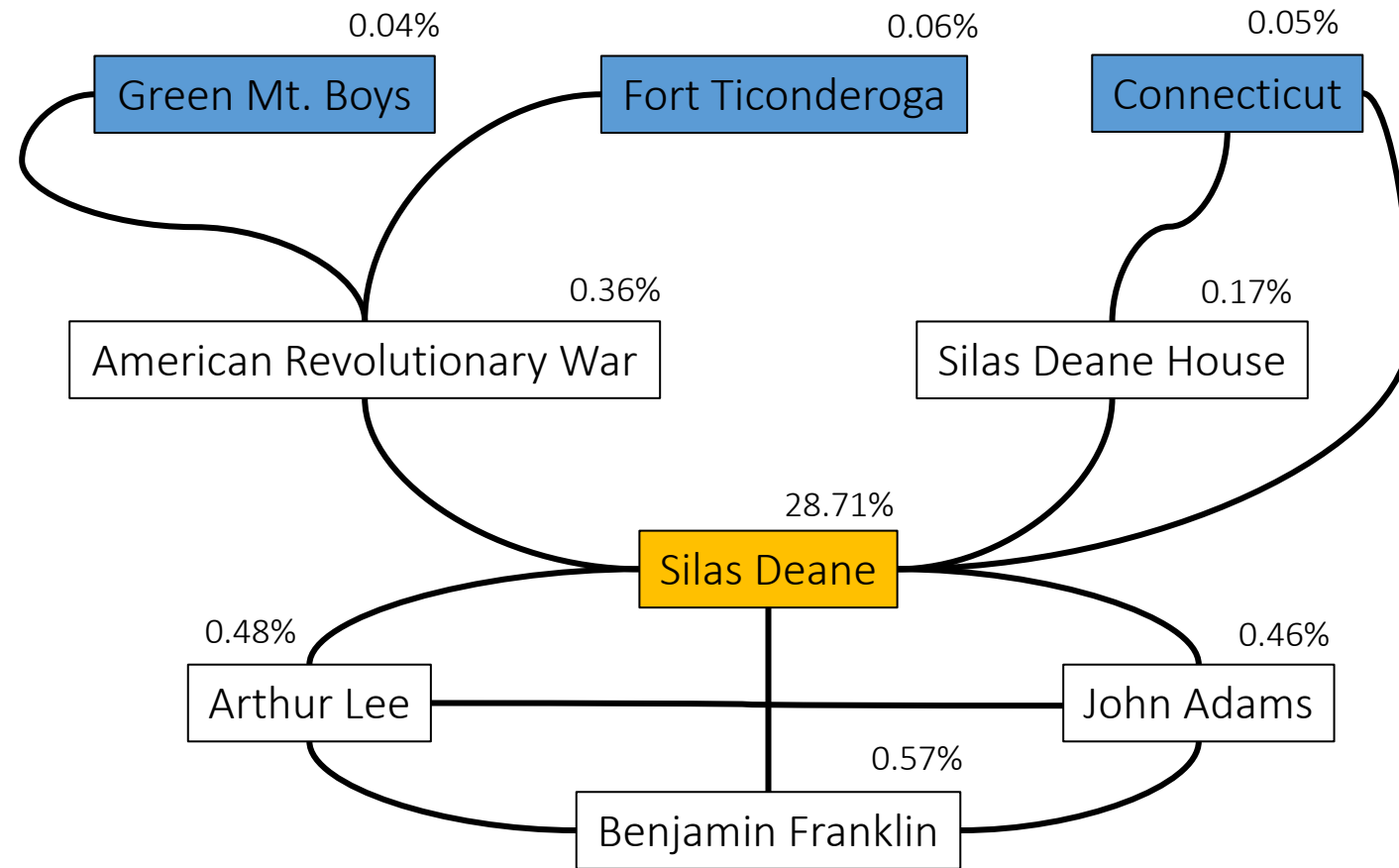


User Selection

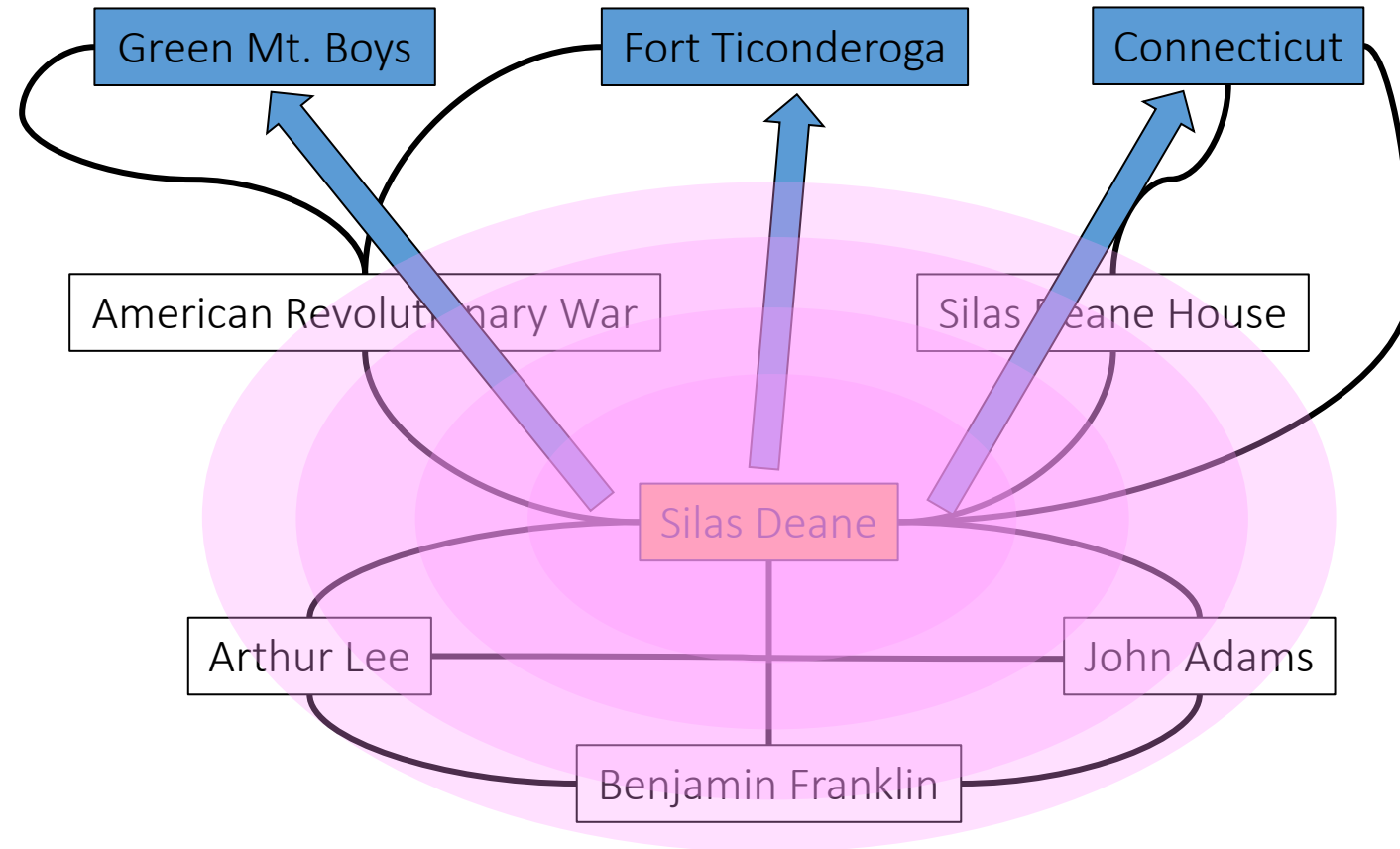
Context Nodes

General Nodes

Personalized Random Walk



Incorporating Contextual Signals



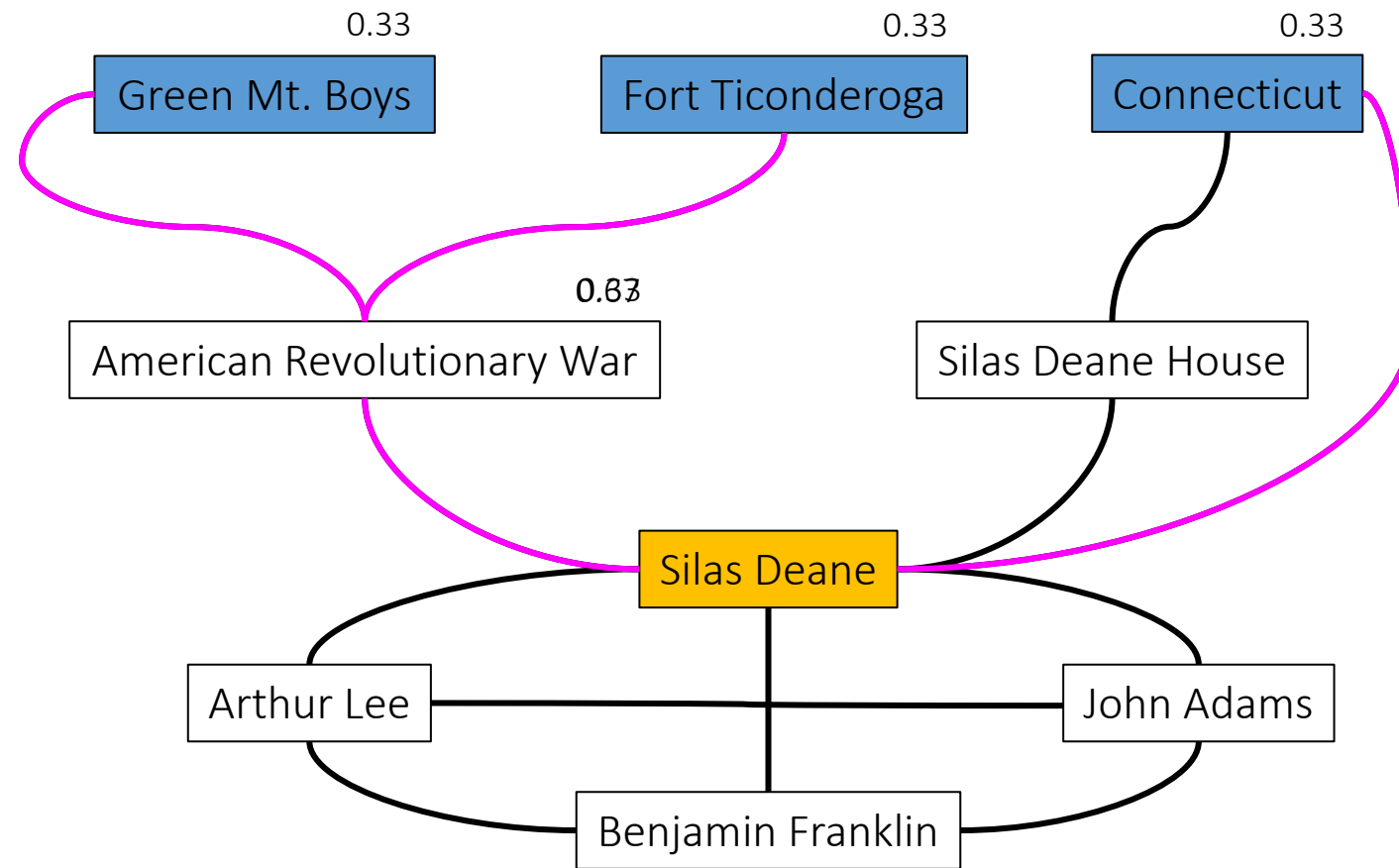
Context-Selection Betweenness

- Retrieve nodes that **play an important role connecting** the user selection and context nodes.
- Idea from **Betweenness Centrality**: the **number of shortest paths from all vertices to all others** that pass through that node. [Freeman1977]
- Credit each node when **a shortest path** from the user selection **to each context node** passes through it.

$$BC(v) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{c:v \in sp(p,c)} \frac{w(p,c)}{k \cdot l(p,c)}$$

$$w(p,c) = \max(\theta - NWD(p,c), 0)$$

Context-Selection Betweenness Example



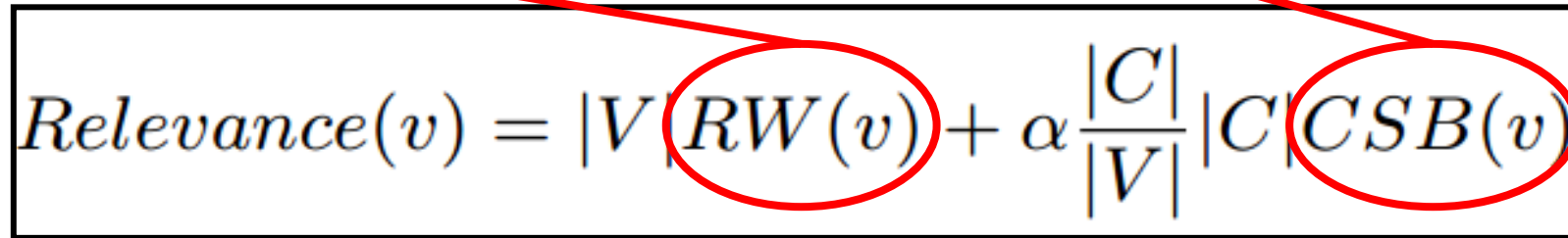
Score Aggregation

Random Walk score:

How many times the user is **likely to visit** the page v .

Context-Selection Betweenness score:

Expected number of shortest paths from user selection to any context page through v .

$$Relevance(v) = |V| RW(v) + \alpha \frac{|C|}{|V|} |C| CSB(v)$$


Evaluation: Crowd-sourced Data

- Corpora
 - 2,600 textbooks from Wikibooks
- Foci of attention
 - Workers selected phrases for which they would like to **learn more**.
 - 100 workers per paragraph (500 paragraphs per corpus).
- Relevance labeling
 - Each (focus, result) pair evaluated by 10 crowd workers.
 - **Large scale**: over 145,000 labels.

Evaluation

Read the entire text on the left. Then, focus on the highlighted text ("**Bitcoin**") before answering the questions below.

Expected number of BitCoins over time.

Bitcoin utilizes a proof-of-work system to mathematically ensure the scarcity of the currency. Computers "mine" BitCoins by solving a series of increasingly hard problems. The first computer to solve the problem sends out a solution, which is exchanged for BitCoins. This exchange rate varies over time. As more solutions are found, less BitCoins are granted for each solution. These two constraints cap the total number of BitCoins that can ever exist at 21 million [7]. As of 2012, almost 9 million BitCoins have been mined [8]. The scarcity of BitCoins stems from the expense of processing power. Not only does mining BitCoins require powerful computers, those computers consume large amounts of energy. In fact, in Canada, the homes of several people mining BitCoins were searched because they were consuming so much electricity that the police thought they must have been growing marijuana [9].

The biggest advantage of BitCoin is that is decentralized; no authority can issue more BitCoins [7]. This makes inflation difficult, because the supply of BitCoins in the market cannot arbitrarily be increased. This kind of certainty appeals to many people as it removes the control of governments from the currency. Unlike when using a bank, there are no service fees associated with BitCoin, making it more profitable for businesses. Some brick-and-mortar stores have begun accepting BitCoins for purchases [10] [11].

All BitCoin transactions are inherently public. However, there is no information about why a transaction was made or who the transaction was made between. This anonymity makes BitCoin the first untraceable electronic currency [12]. The Silk Road is an anonymous marketplace which, much like eBay, allows users to buy and sell basically anything from each other. However, the Silk Road only accepts exchanges in BitCoin and is hidden behind the Tor network [13]. This means buyers and sellers can market illegal goods without the fear of being discovered by federal agencies. This has made the site very popular, and has allowed the sale of illegal drugs over the internet [14]. Even if law enforcement agencies were to make fake postings to lure out buyers, because the transactions are anonymous and untraceable, it would be impossible to know who placed the order, regardless of the address to which it was sent.

Please select the option that best describes the article on the right

- This article is what I'd expect to see if I highlighted the text on the left
- This article is not what I'd expect, but I see a connection between the highlighted text and the article
- This article is not what I'd expect, and I don't see a connection between the highlighted text and the article

Comments

You are evaluating **Cryptocurrency**.

Use both the following text and the Wikipedia page below to help determine if there is a connection between **Cryptocurrency** and **Bitcoin**:

*The first cryptocurrency to begin trading was **Bitcoin** in 2009.*



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Cryptocurrency

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

A **cryptocurrency** is a **medium of exchange** designed around securely exchanging information which is a process made possible by certain principles of cryptography. The first cryptocurrency to begin trading was **Bitcoin** in 2009. Since then, numerous cryptocurrencies have been created. Fundamentally, cryptocurrencies are specifications regarding the use of currency which seek to incorporate principles of cryptography to implement a distributed, decentralized and secure information economy.

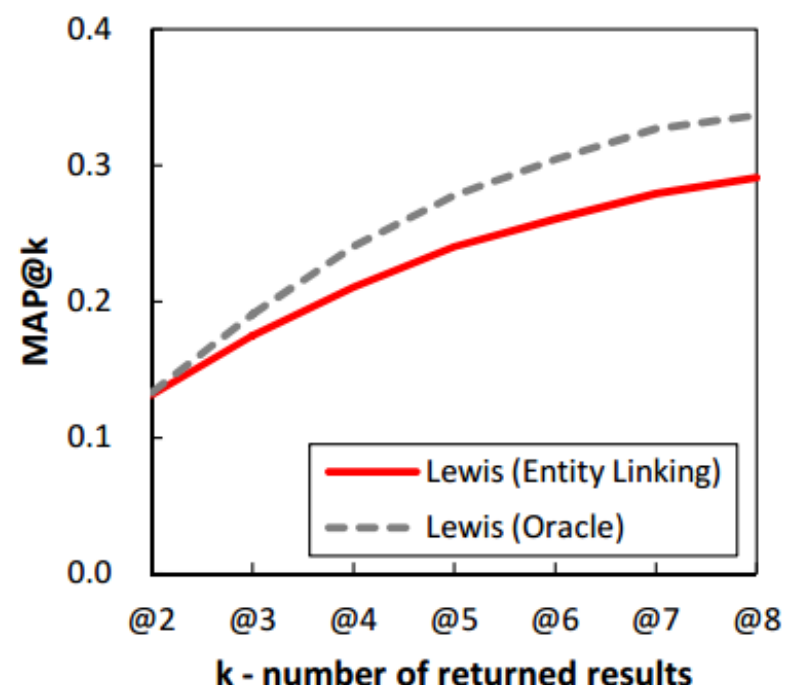
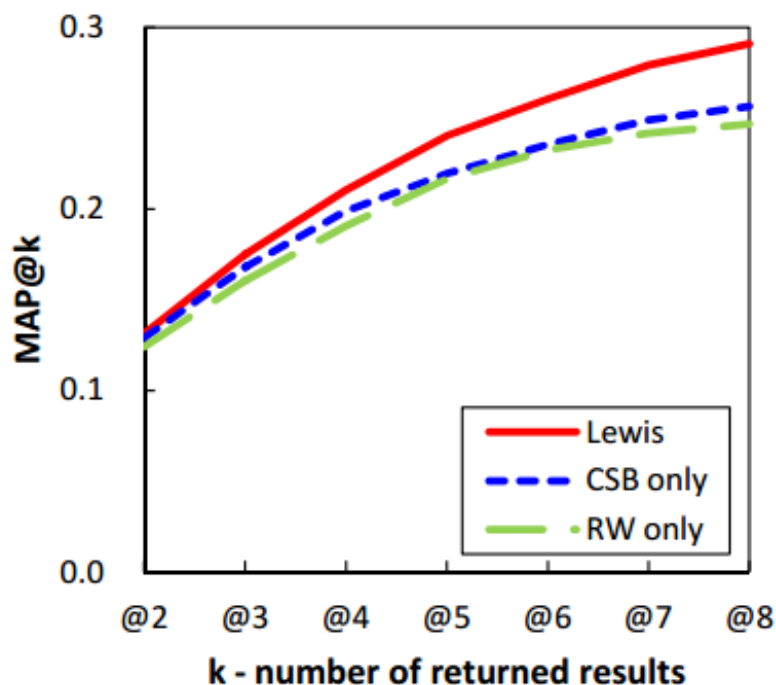
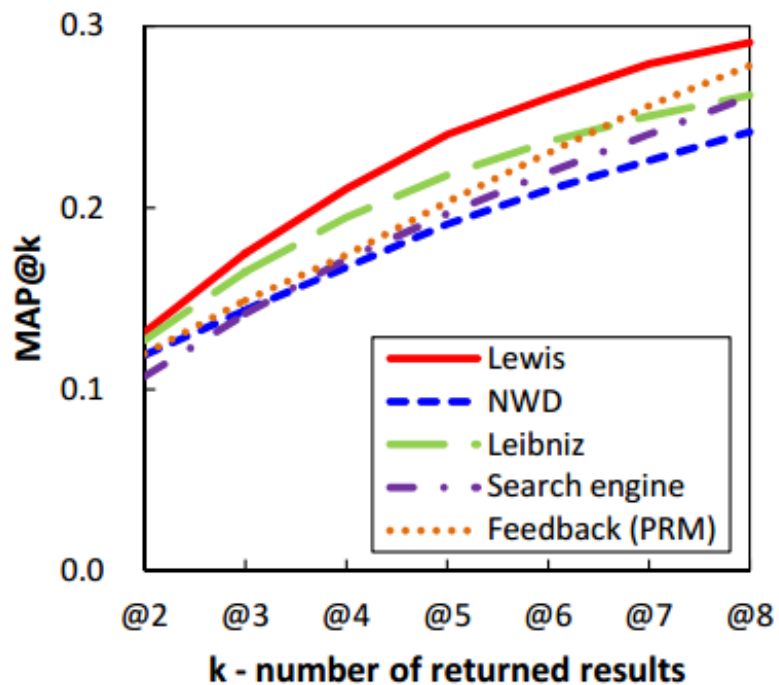
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Overview [edit]

When comparing cryptocurrencies to **fiat money**, the most notable difference is in how no group or individual may accelerate, stunt or in any other way significantly abuse the production of money. Instead, only a certain amount of cryptocurrency is produced by the entire

Comparing Proposed Components

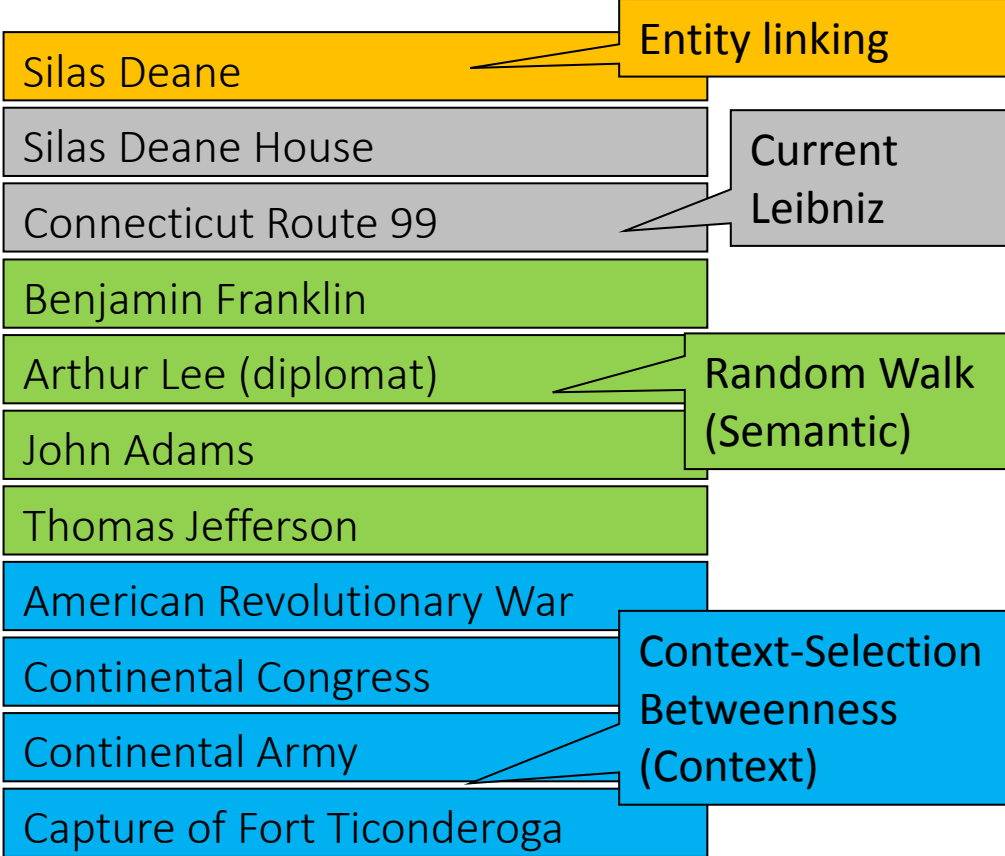


Score decomposition with *Silas Deane* Example

Rank	Page Title	CSB	RW	Total
1	Silas Deane	402.26	6442.53	6844.78
2	American Revolutionary War	49.58	82.42	131.99
3	Benjamin Franklin	2.46	128.17	130.63
4	Arthur Lee (diplomat)	0.00	107.99	107.99
5	Thomas Jefferson	2.46	98.82	101.28
6	Continental Congress	19.58	74.02	93.60
7	Continental Army	30.25	61.45	91.70
8	Capture of Fort Ticonderoga	49.58	39.56	89.14

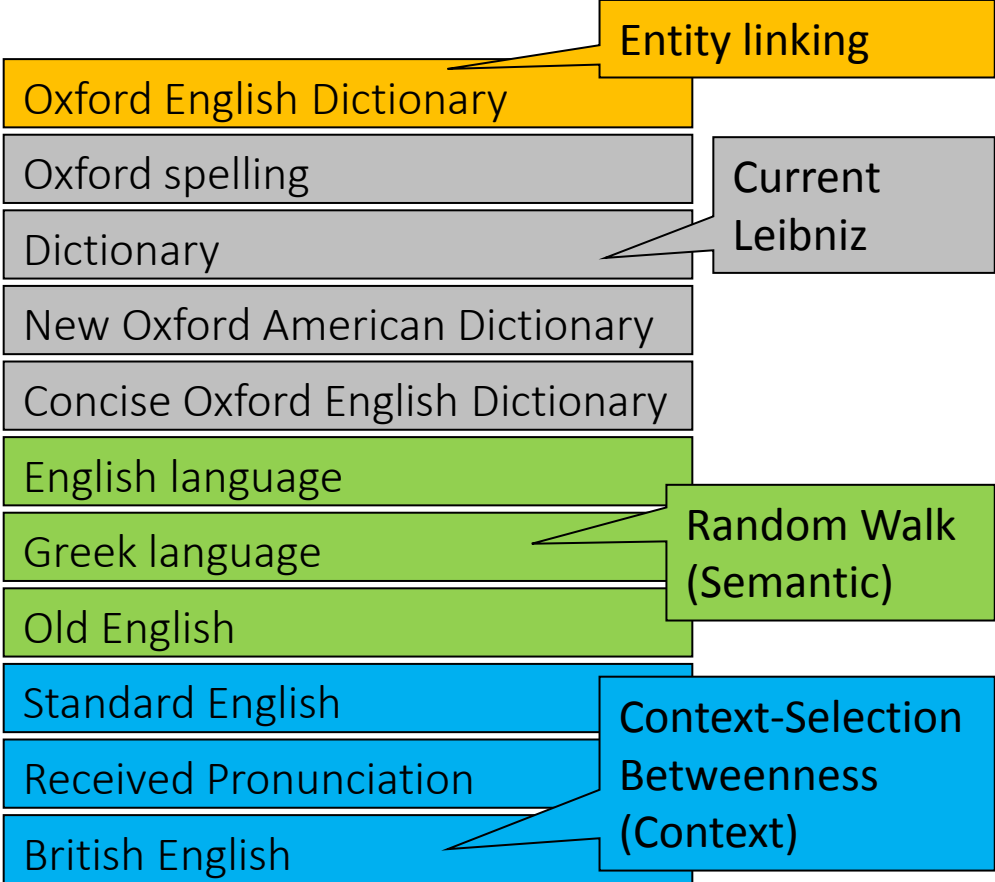
Examples

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Examples

In 1895, when Joyce was in his third year at Belvedere College, he chose Ulysses as his subject for an essay entitled "My Favourite Hero". In English Ulysses is sometimes stressed on the second syllable, and this is the pronunciation required in most verse translations of the Homeric epics. Joyce, however, always referred to his novel as YOOL-i-seez, with the stress on the first syllable. This pronunciation is sanctioned by the **Oxford English Dictionary** and is used almost universally in Ireland when one is referring to the book. In his design for the cover of the 1949 Random House edition of Ulysses, the American artist Edward McKnight Kauffer emphasized the initial UL, "giving graphic form to the phonetic structure of the title with its accent on the first syllable."



Take-home Messages

- Contextual entity exploration problem
- Knowledge-graph-based solution
 - **Semantics** incorporated
 - **Context**-relevant retrieval
 - **Nice performance** in IR measures
- Crowd-sourced evaluation

Thank you for your attention.