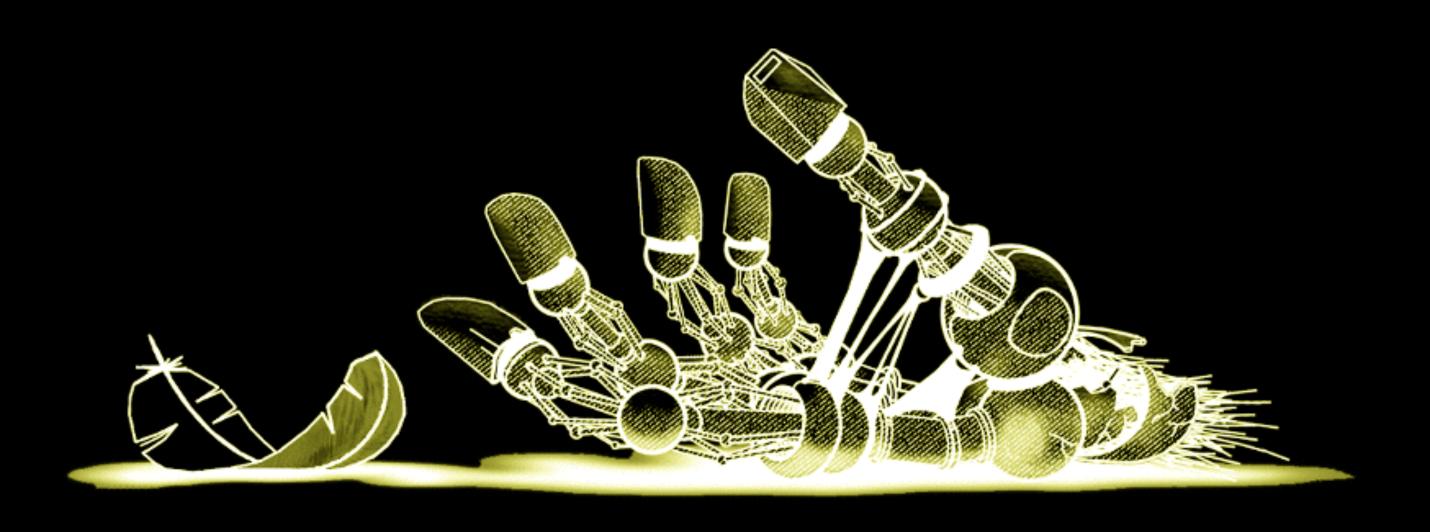
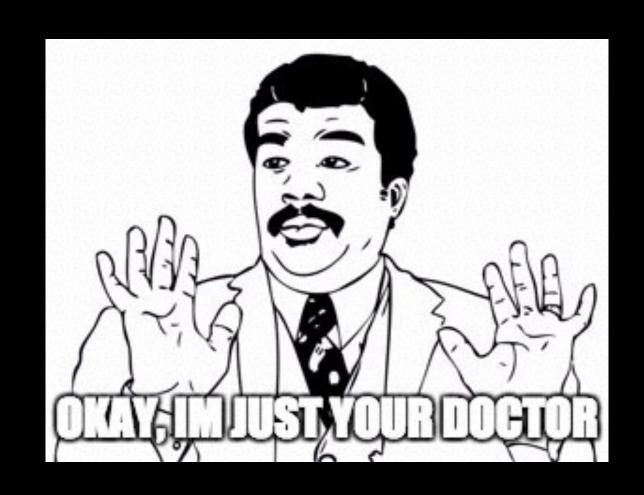
Building a high scale machine learning pipeline with Apache Spark and Kafka



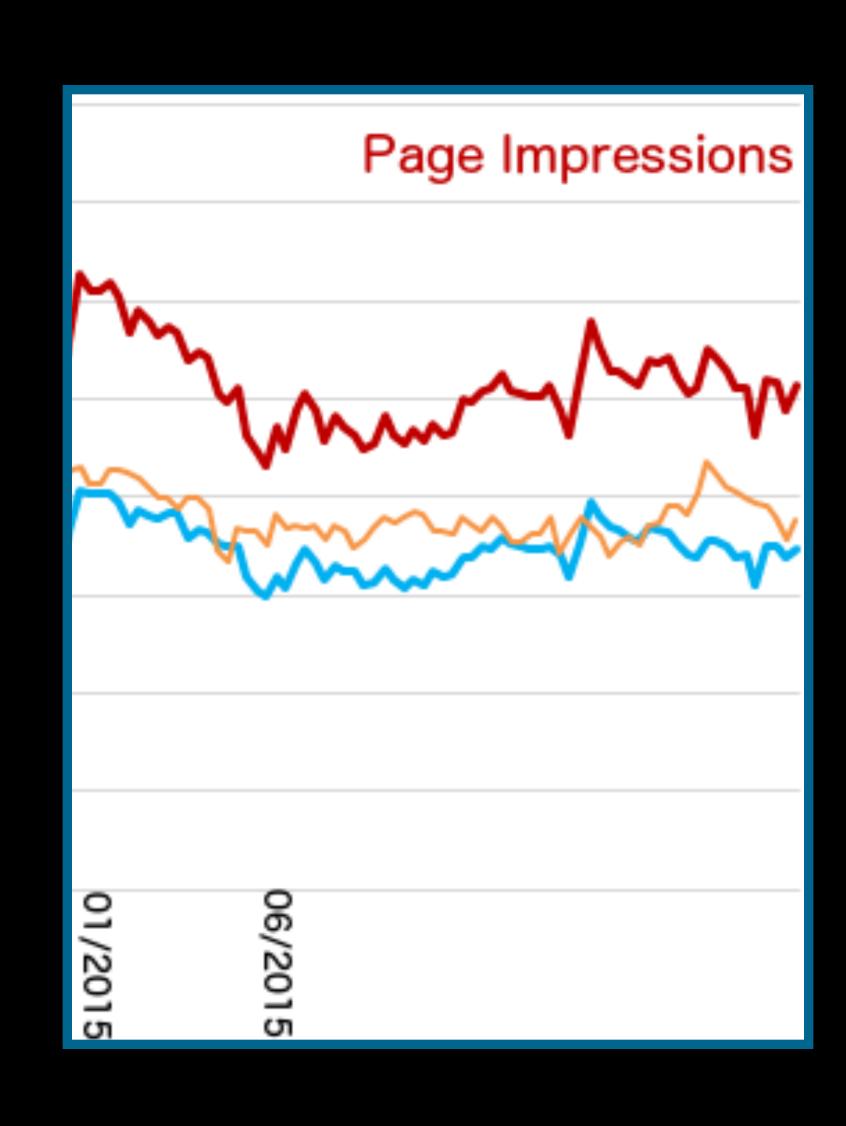
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- biggest community-driven question & answer website in Germany
- 20 million questions, 70 million answers
- similar to Quora, Yahoo Answers

Google Update Impact



Ordering of answers

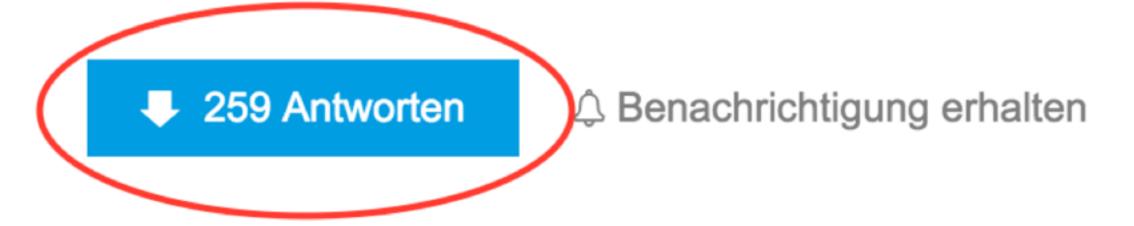
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Frage von

16.05.2012

Warum lernt man in der Schule so viel Sinnloses?

Ich bin der Meinung, das unser Schulsystem weitgehend sinnlos ist. Man lernt zu viele Sachen die man nie mehr brauchen wird. Ein Beispiel sind Parabeln: Wieso muss ich wissen, wie man Parabeln berechnet, wie sie aussehen und so ... komplette Frage anzeigen



▶ Rechtschreibfehler gefunden

supervised machine learning

determine the type of the training data

gather a training set

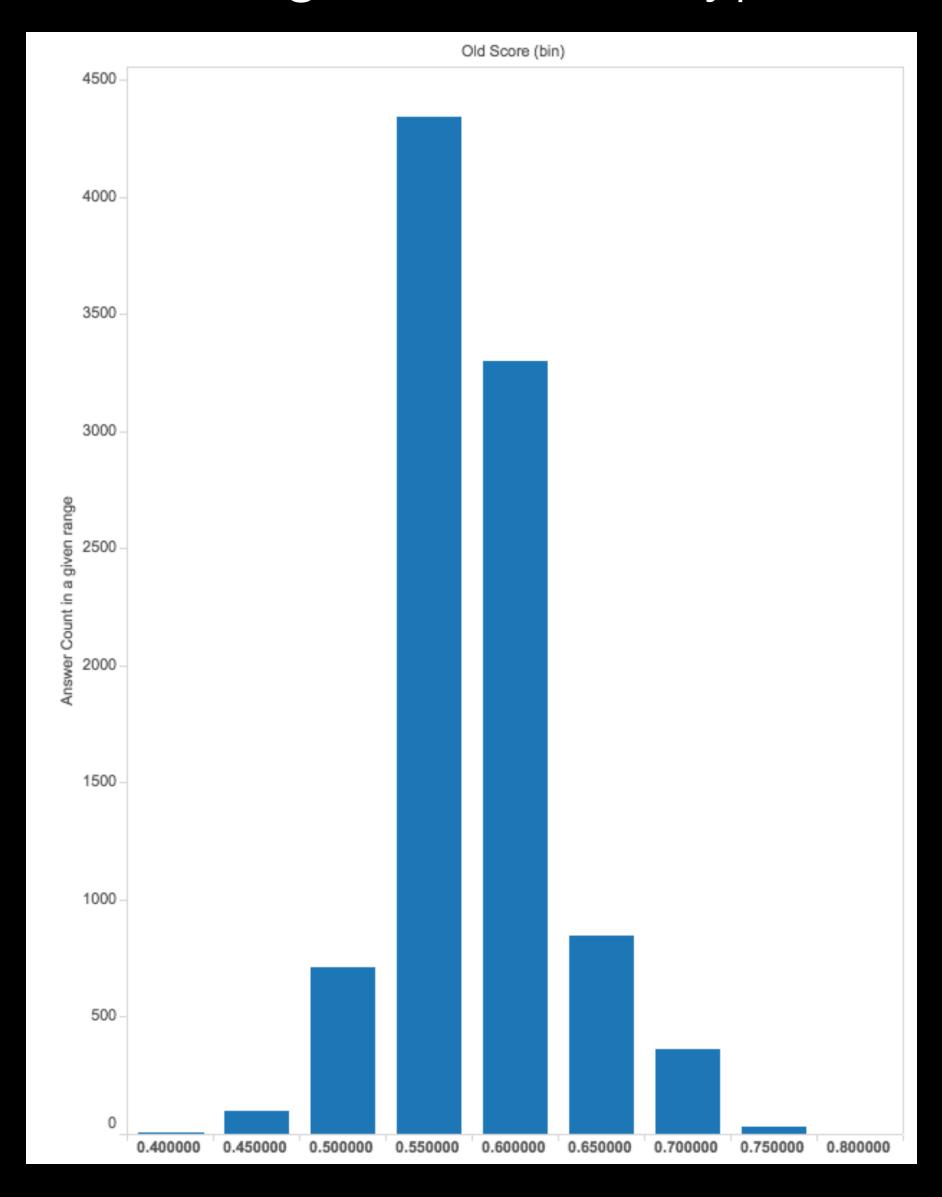
find a representation of the data

pick a learning algorithm

run the training algorithm

evaluate the accuracy

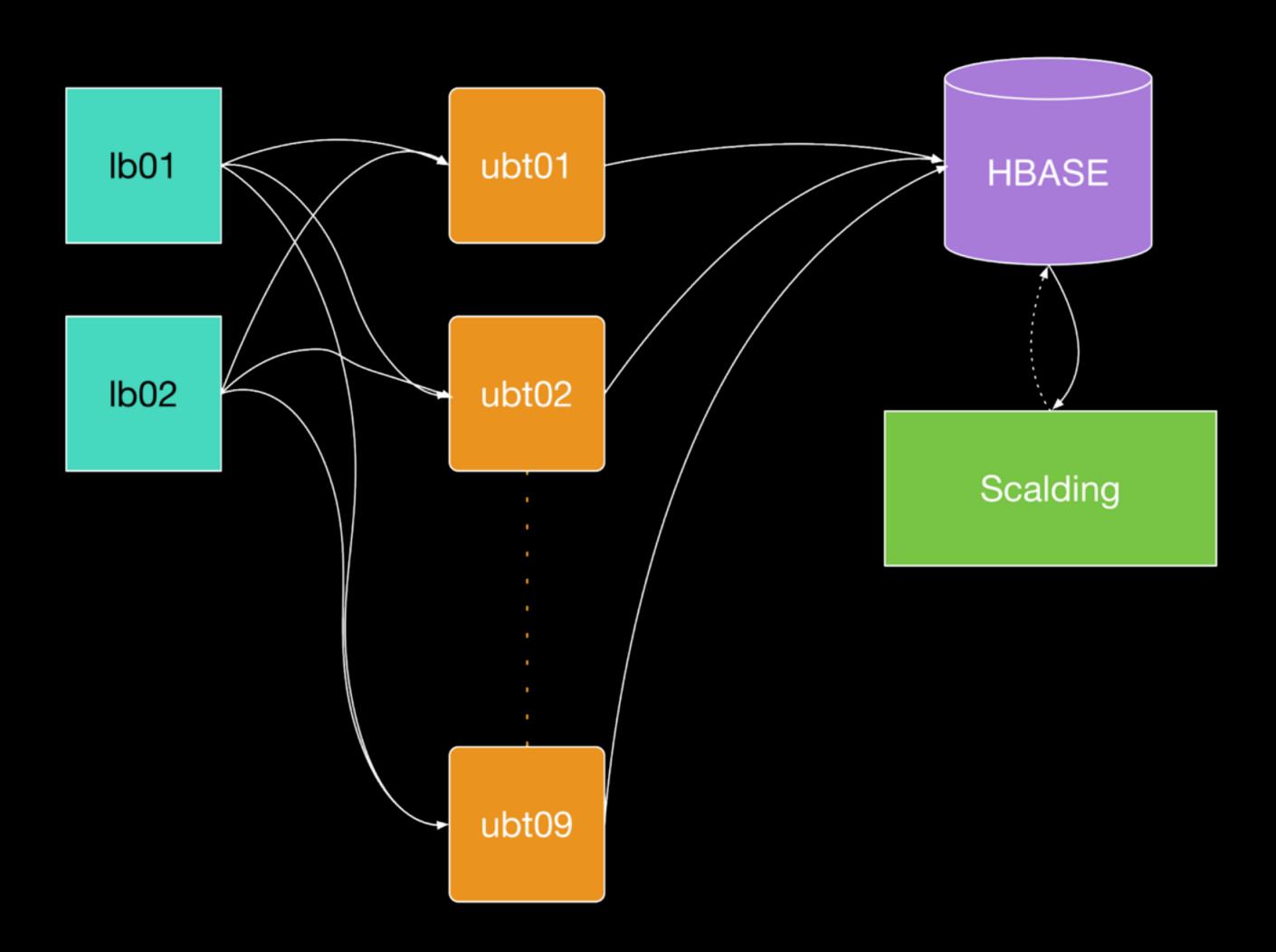
Regression Prototype



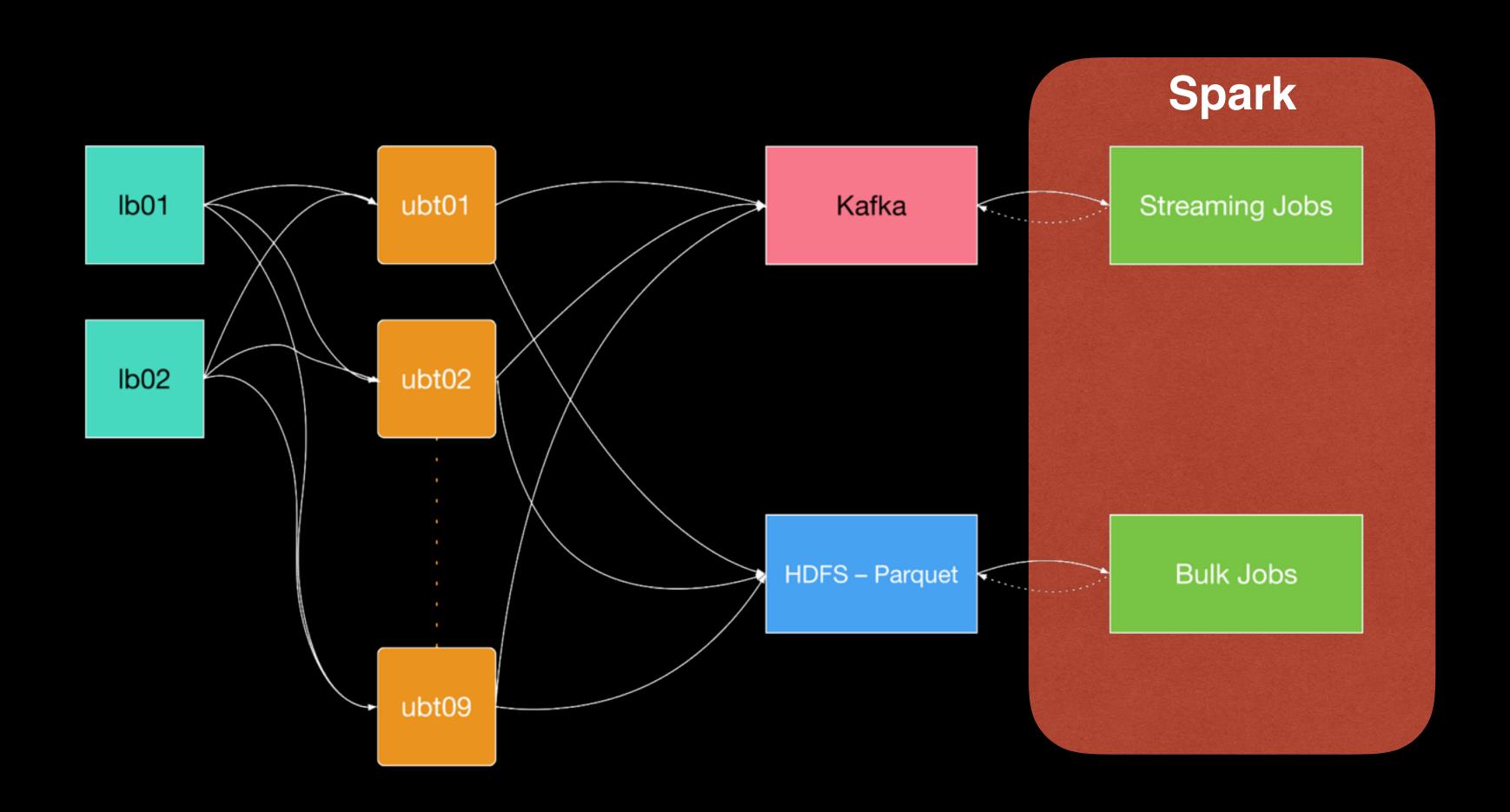
Identify the problems

- Model not complex enough
- Similar inputs, different outputs?
- Not enough training data

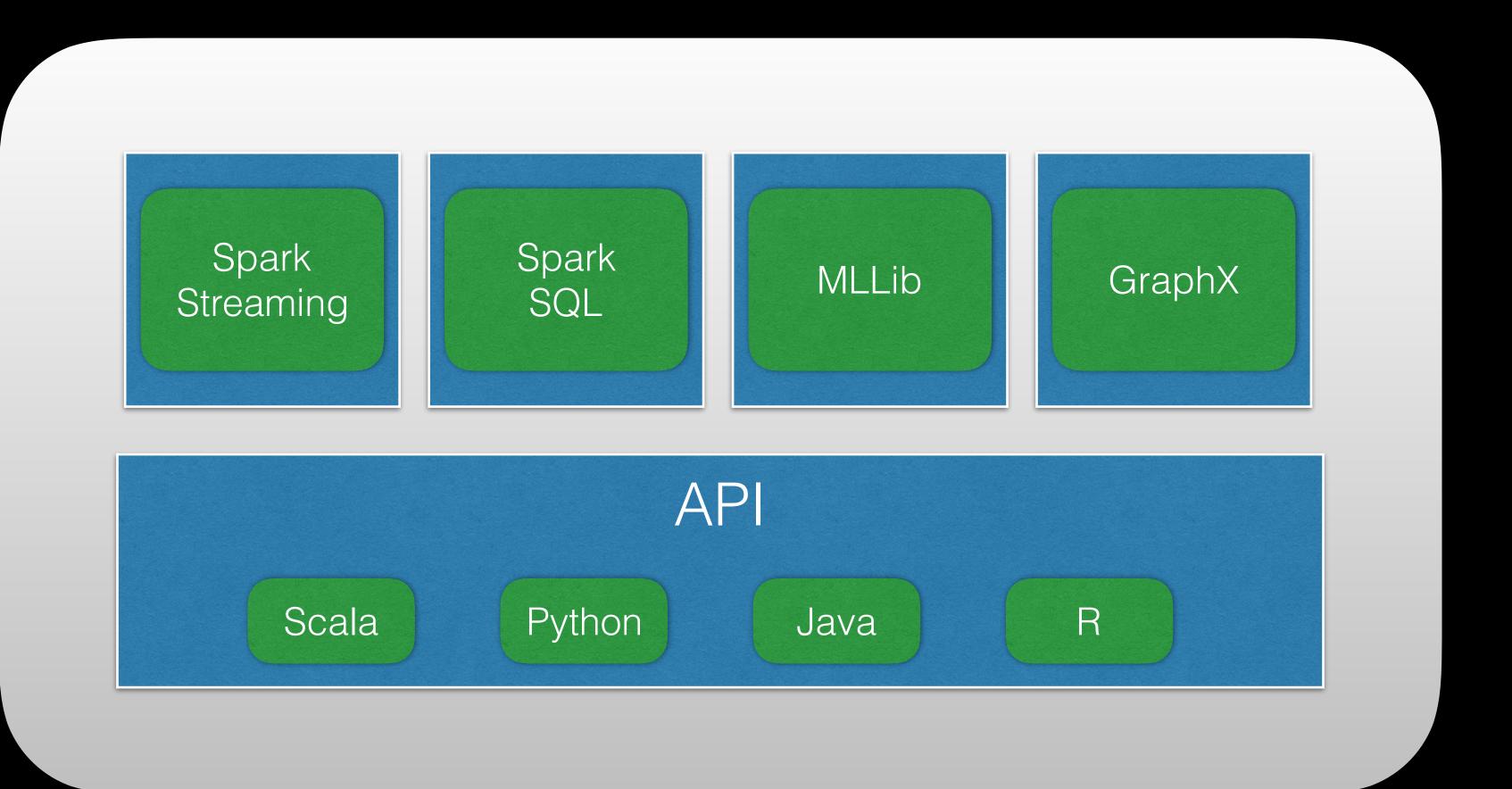
The old ETL pipeline



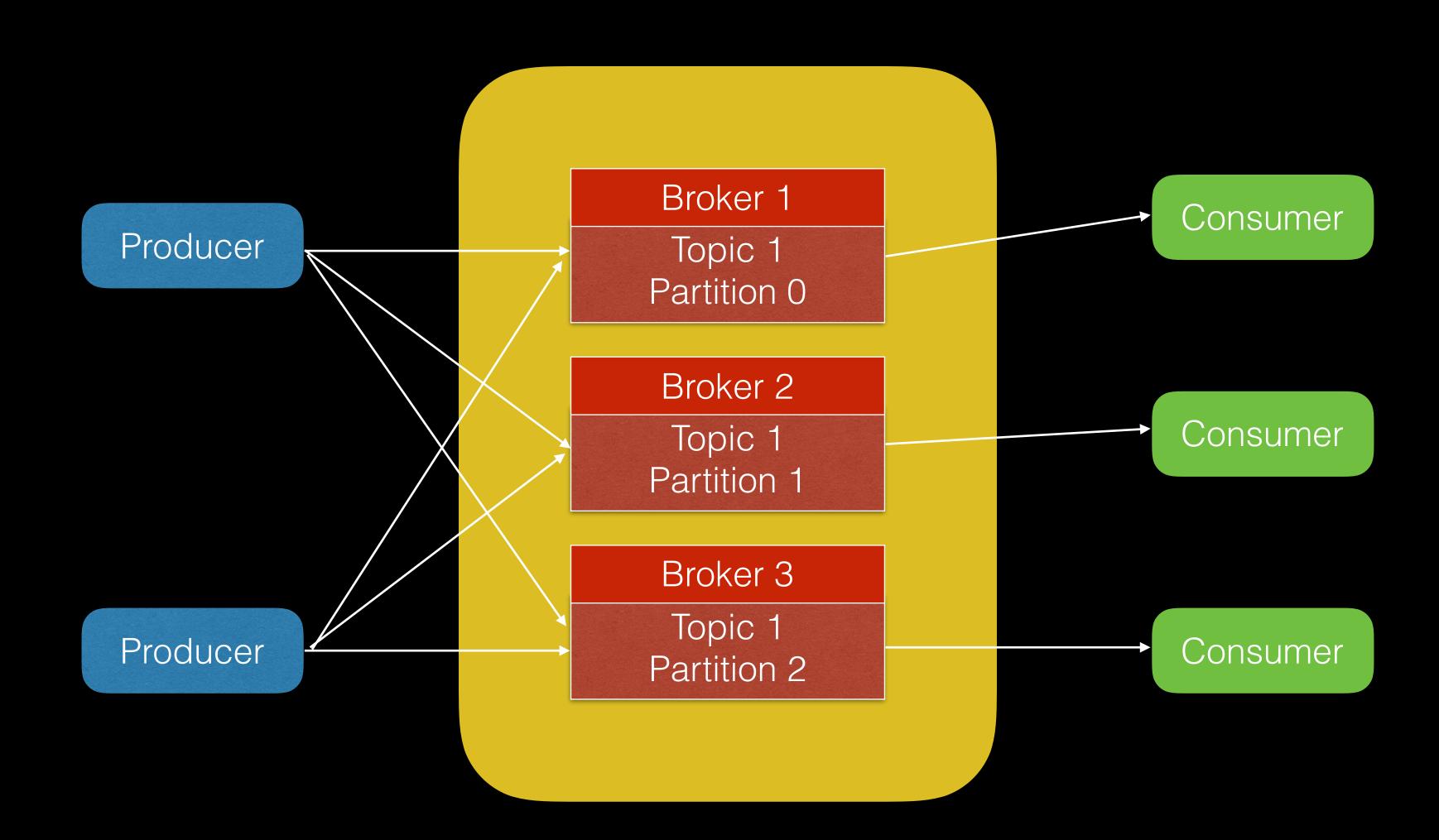
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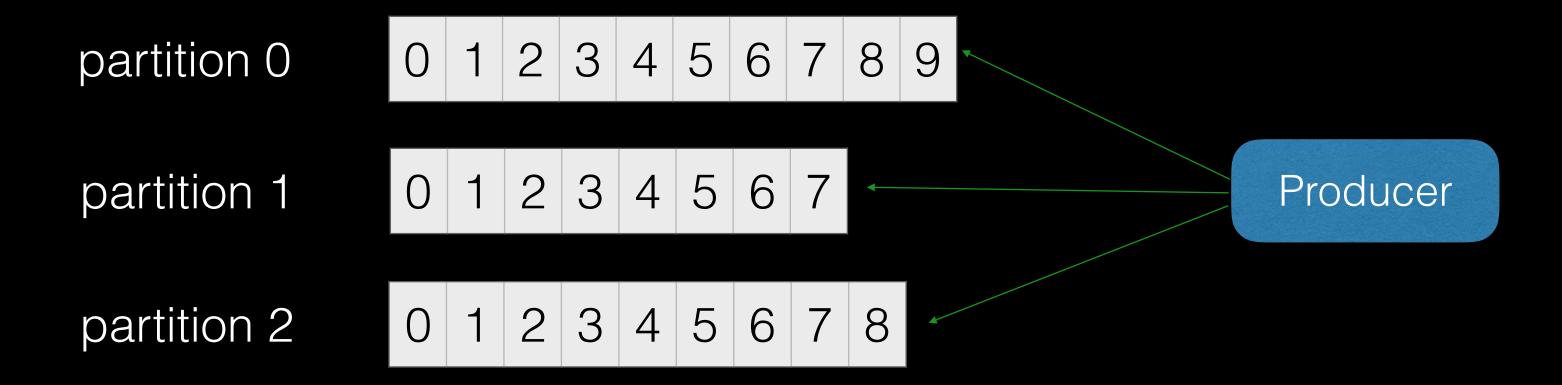
Spark ecosystem



Kafka



Kafka topic



- scale
- parallelism

Parquet

push-down filters

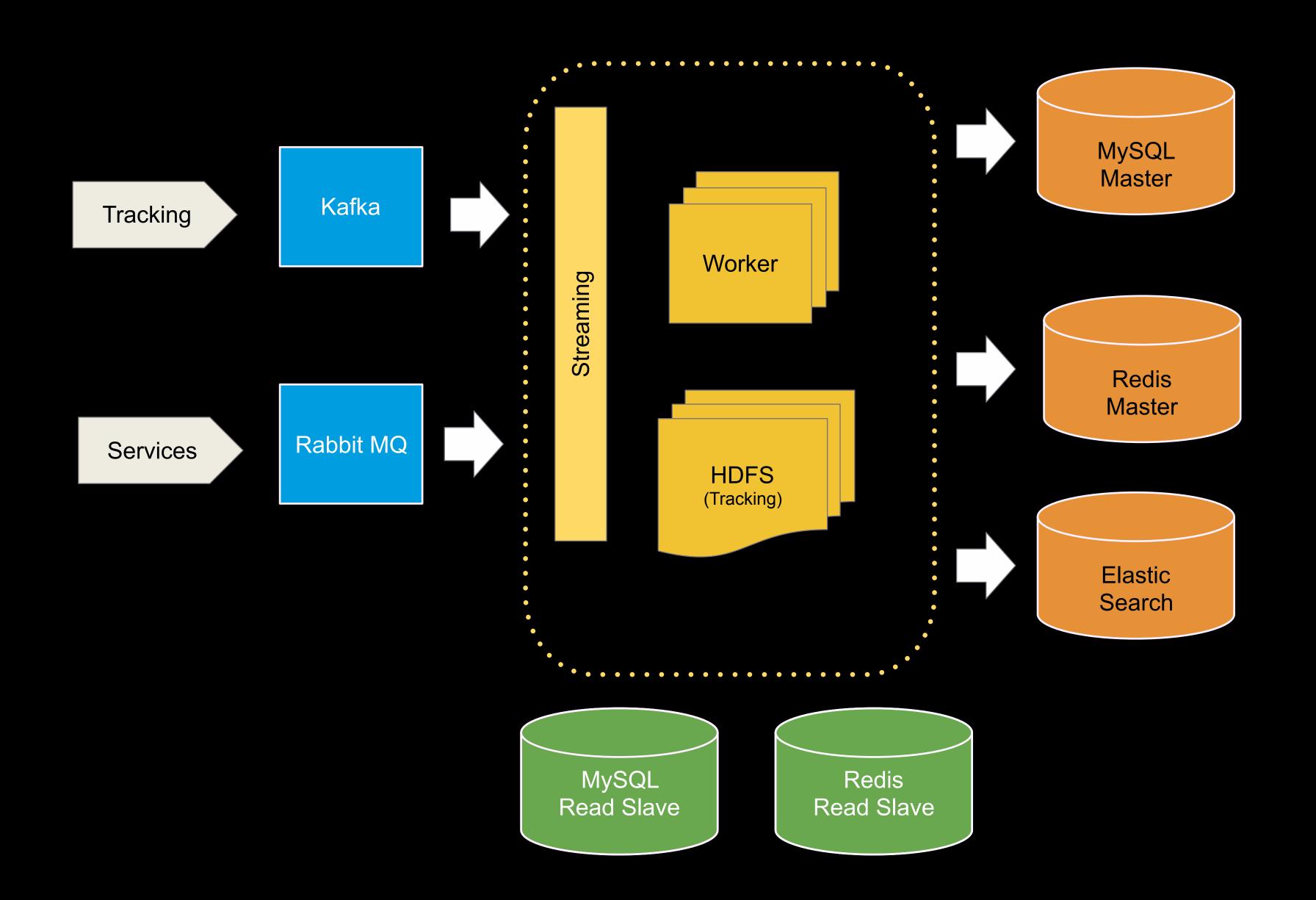
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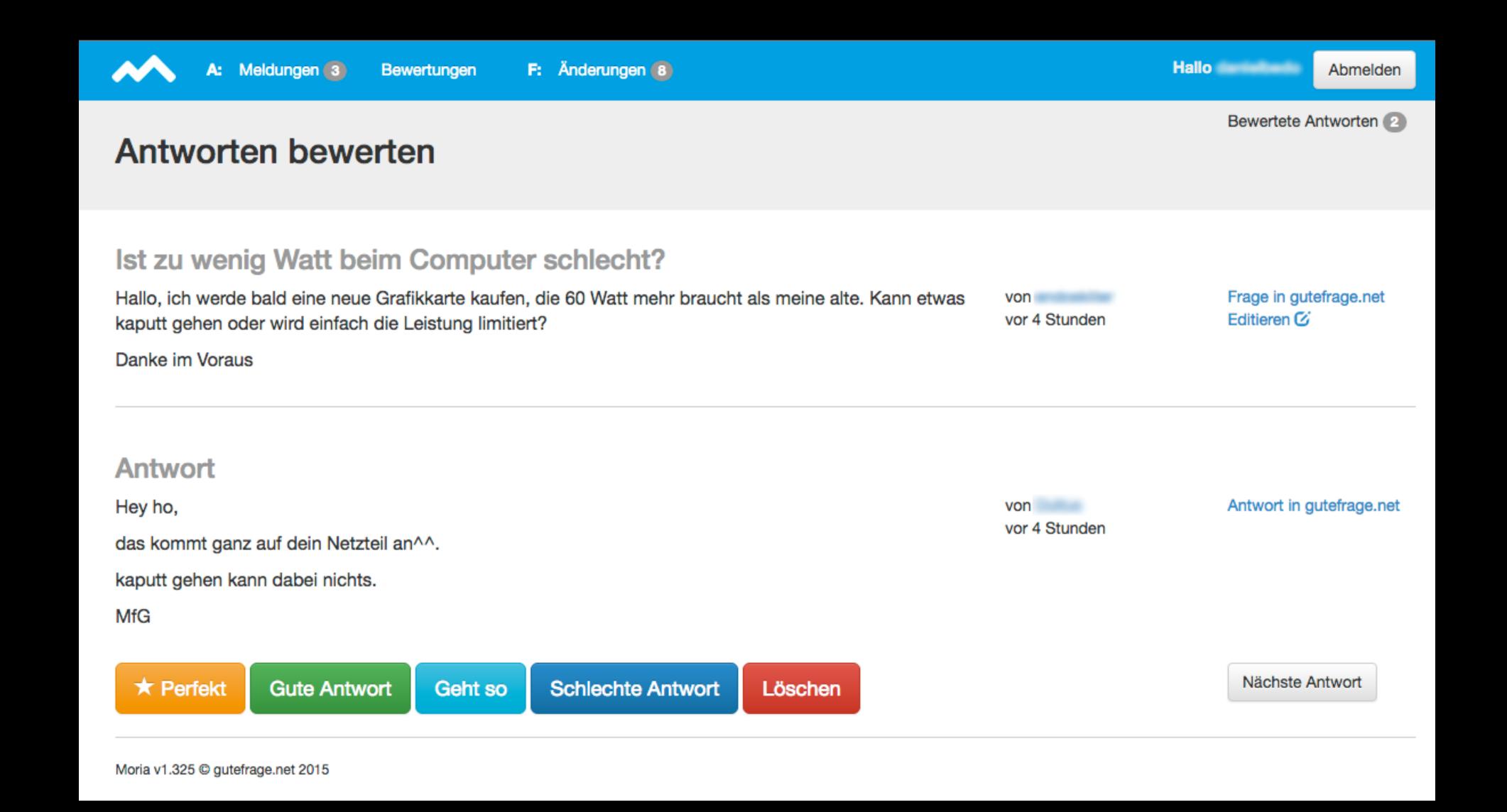
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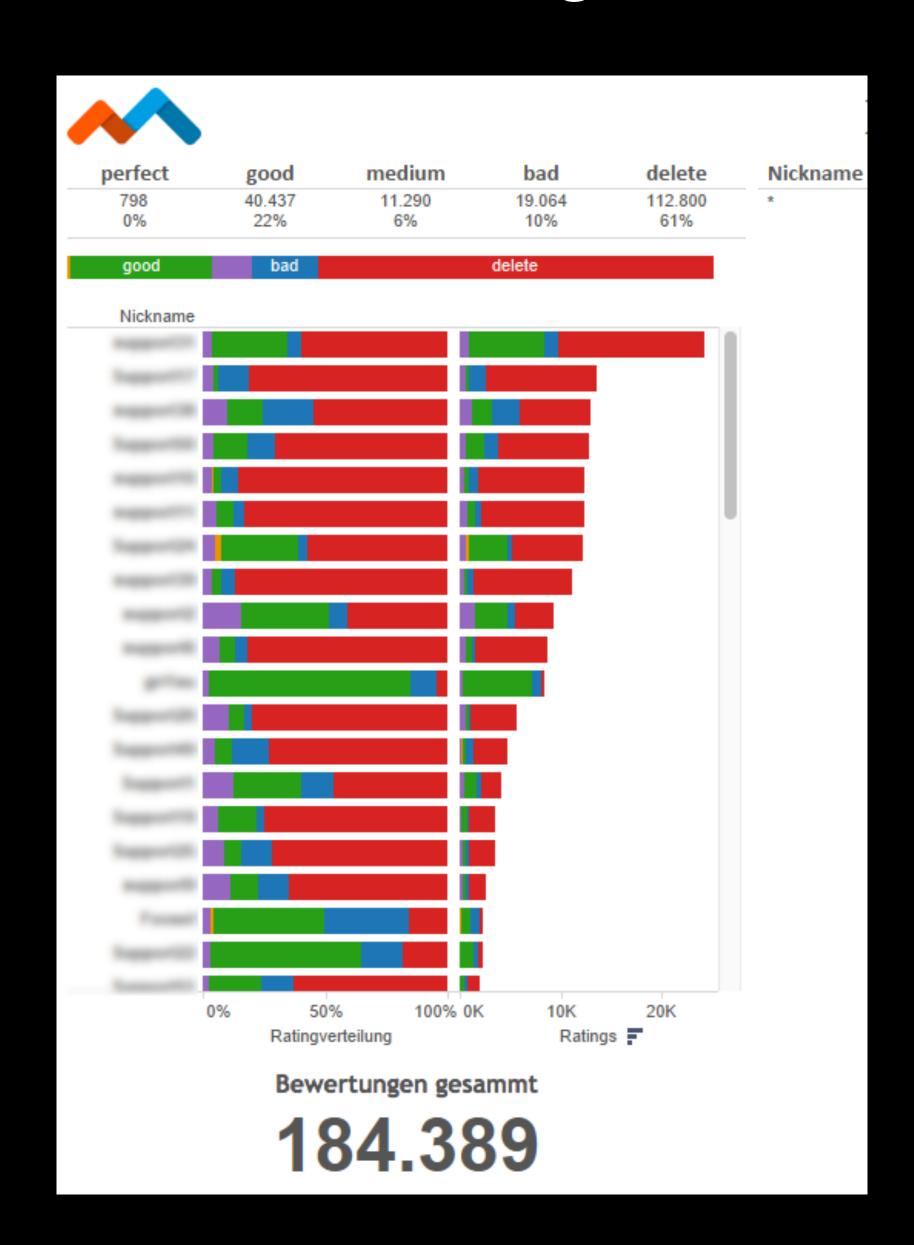
ETL v2



Project Moria



Clean training data?



Project Angmar

- tried lots of different supervised learning methods
- feature engineering most crucial part
- analyse the domain, chart everything

Features

Content

length

syntactic complexity

number of links

probability of deletion

Social

votes

most helpful answer

number of comments

answered by expert

Author

gained votes

credibility score

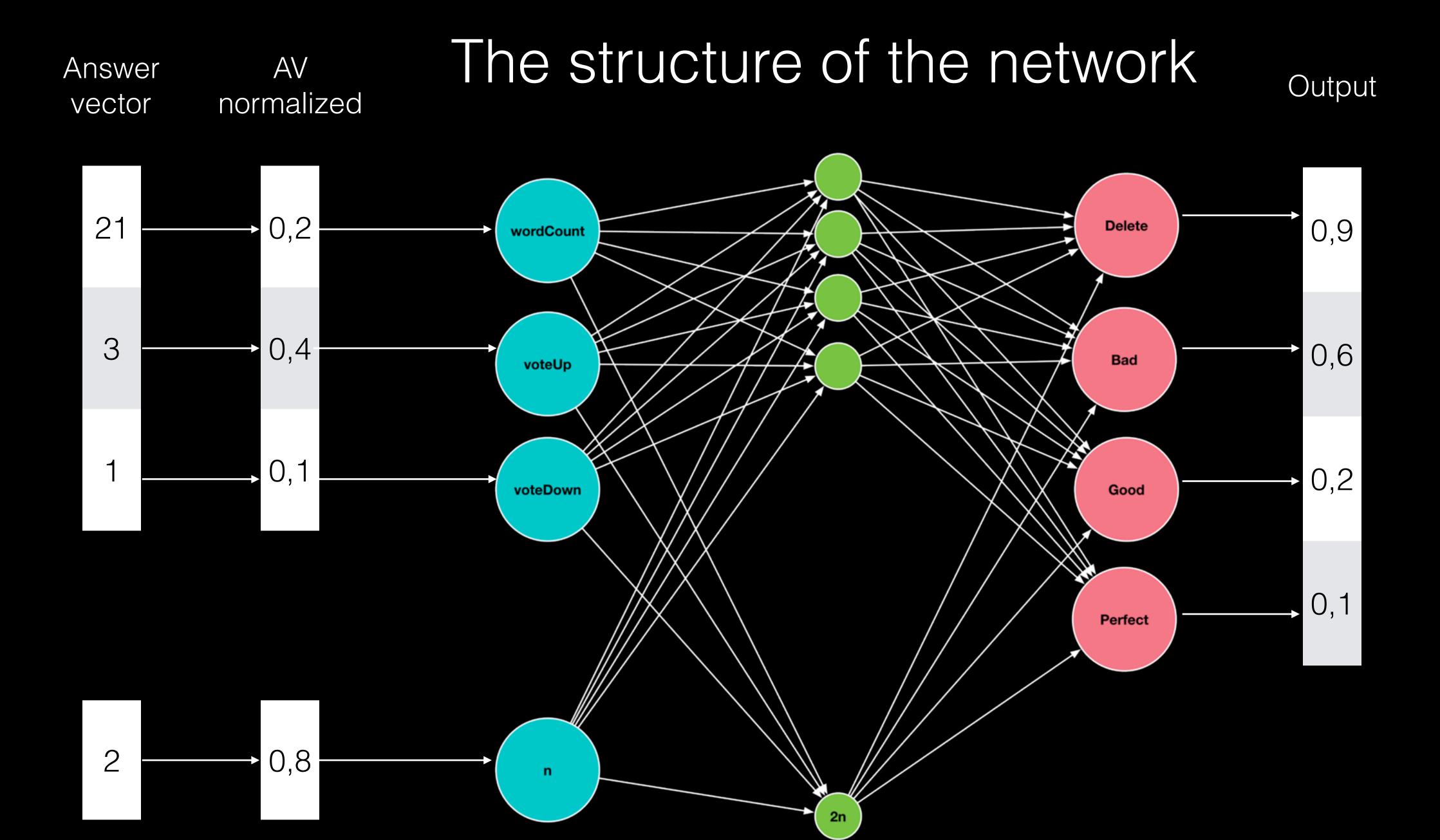
role

deleted answer ratio

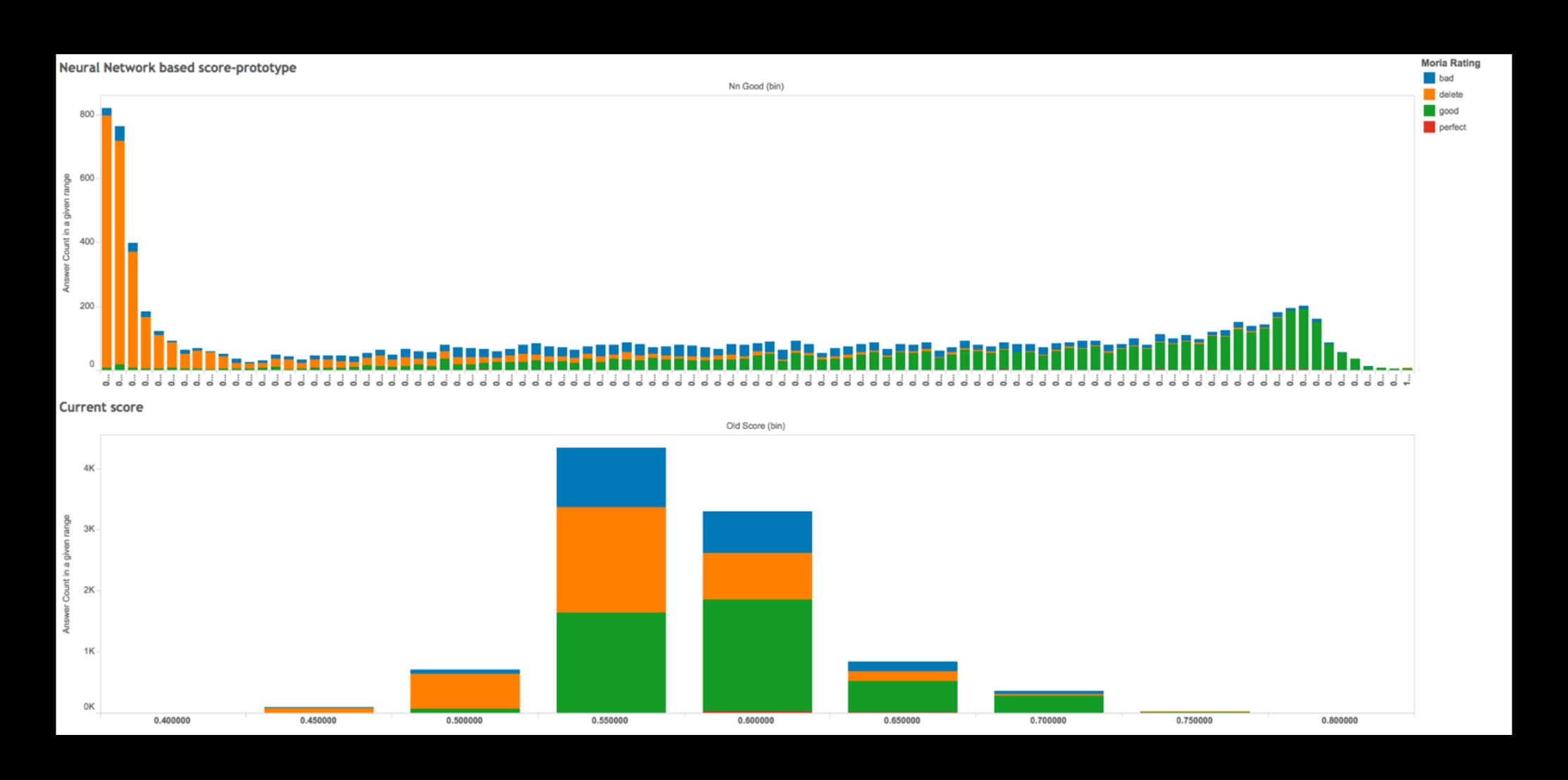
number of answers

number of comments

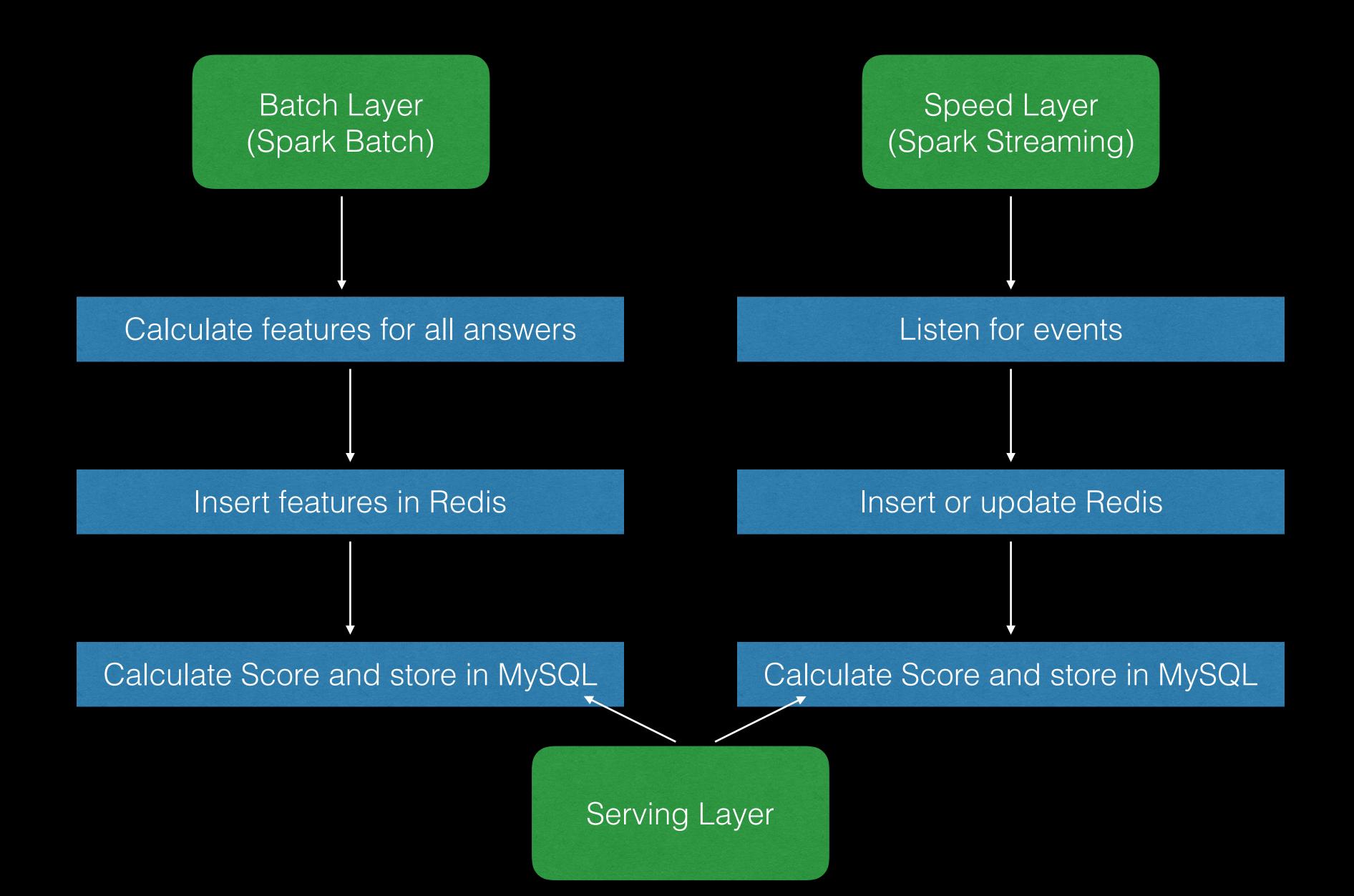
reported answer ratio



The Result



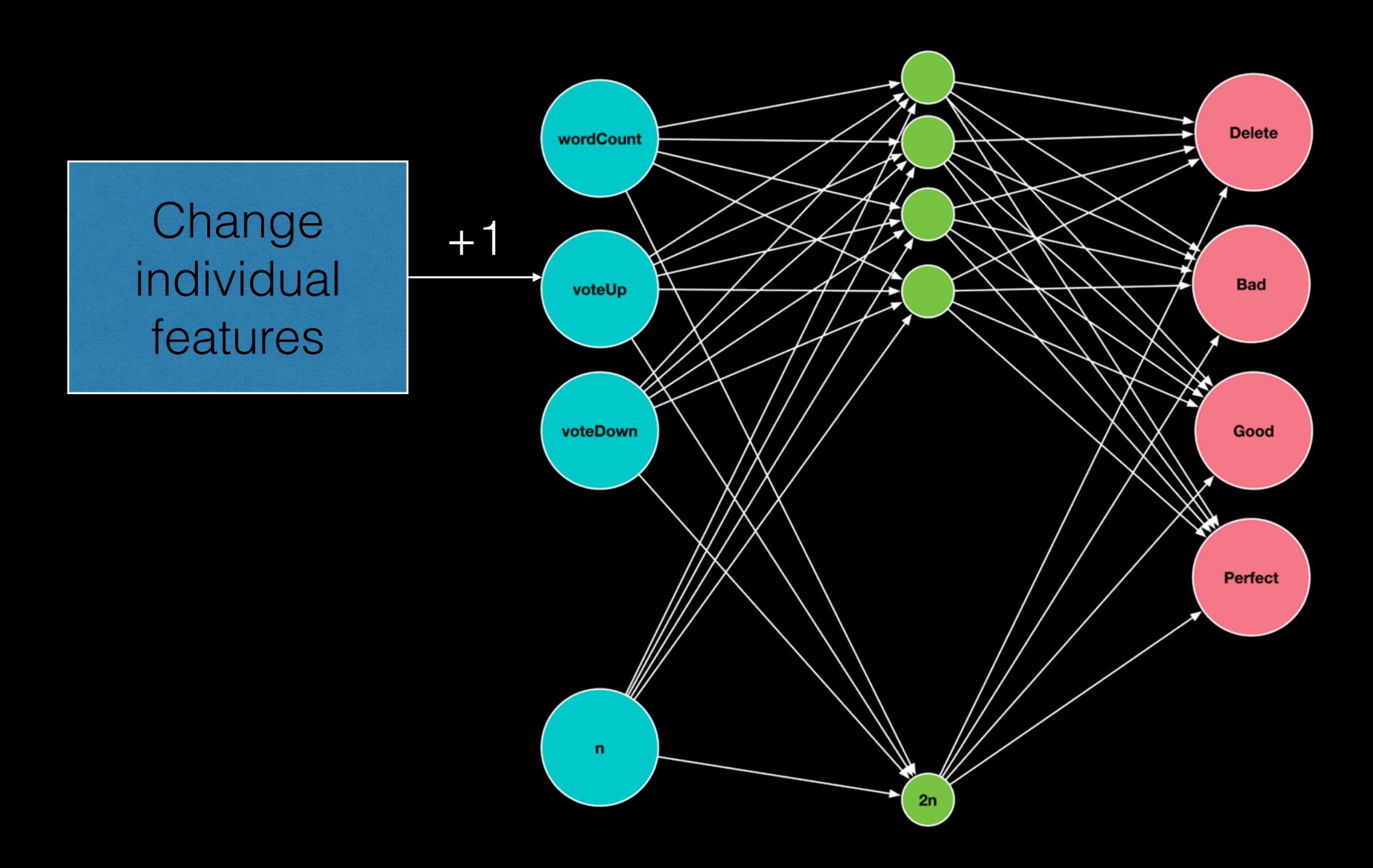
Lambda Architecture



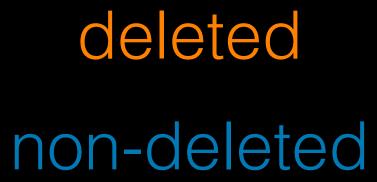
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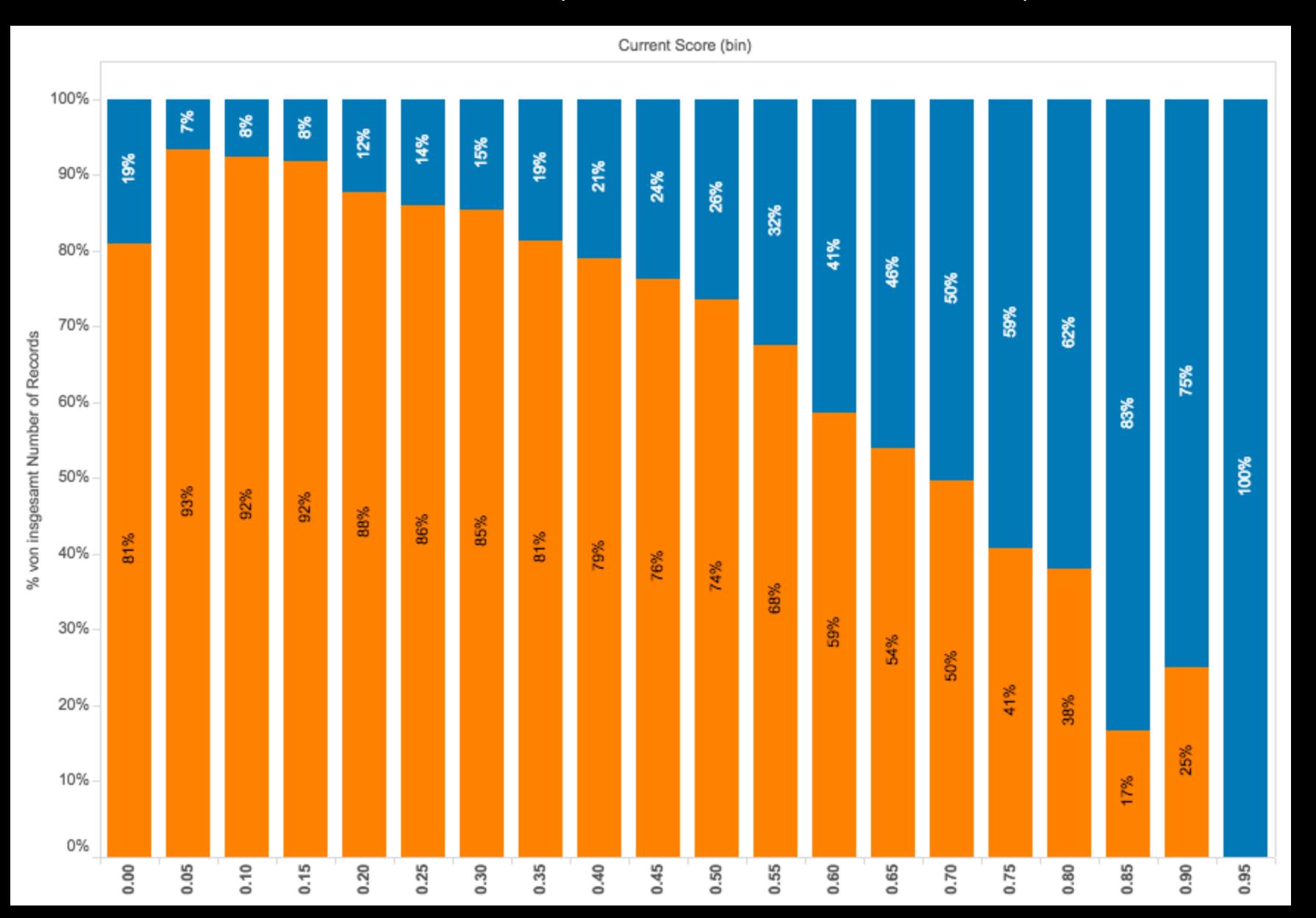
- Bulk jobs insert too fast
- MySQL: sendQueue size, threads connected
- ElasticSearch: load on the instance creating the new index

Debugging the network



real world test (deleted vs non-deleted)

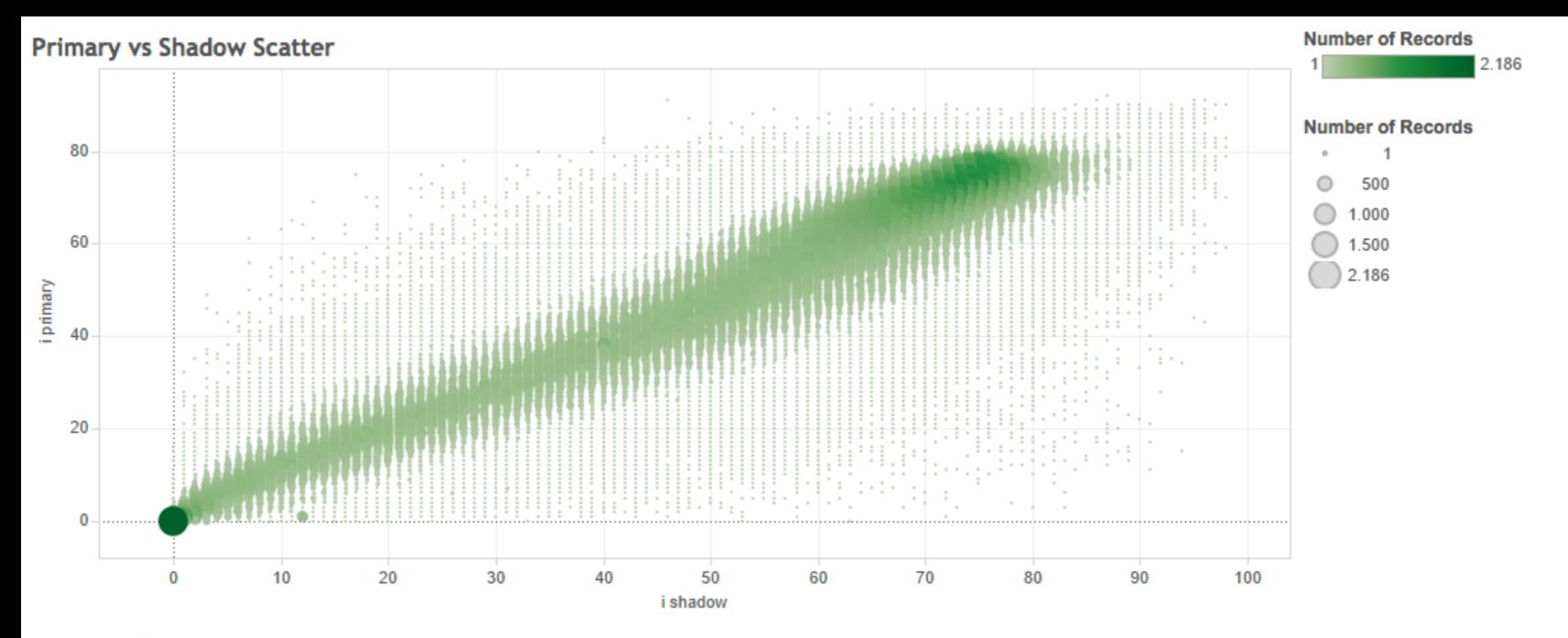




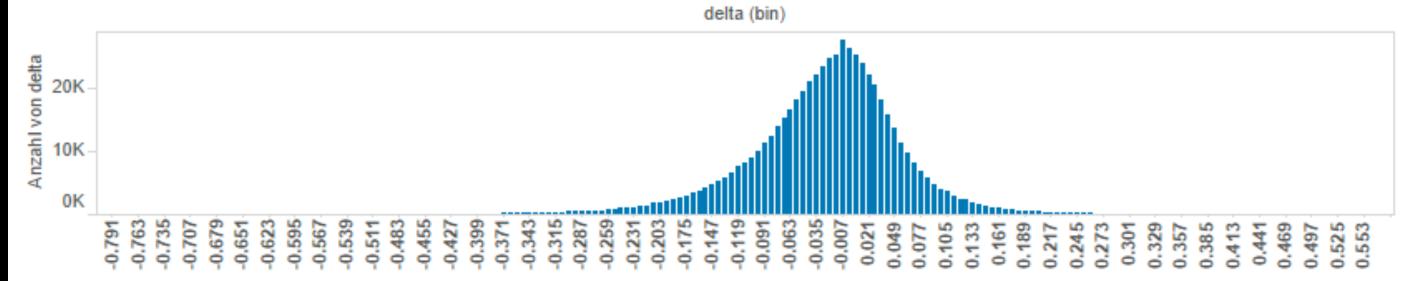
Switching models

Amount of questions for a score range

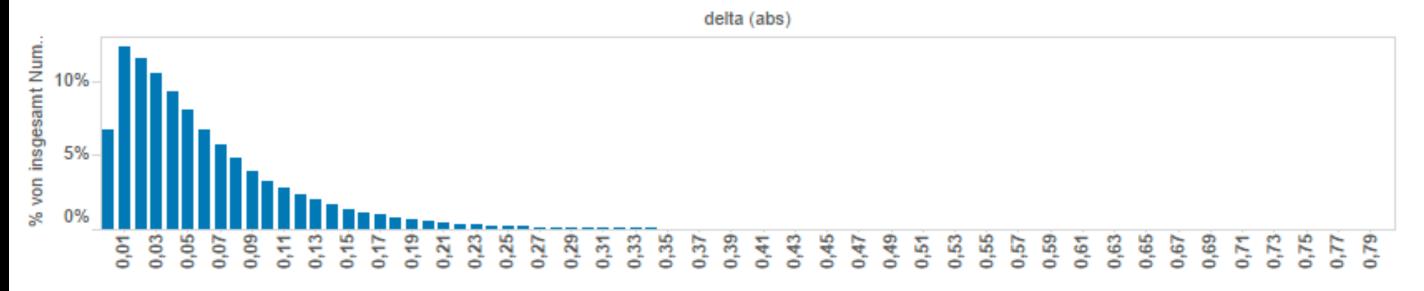




Pos Neg Change

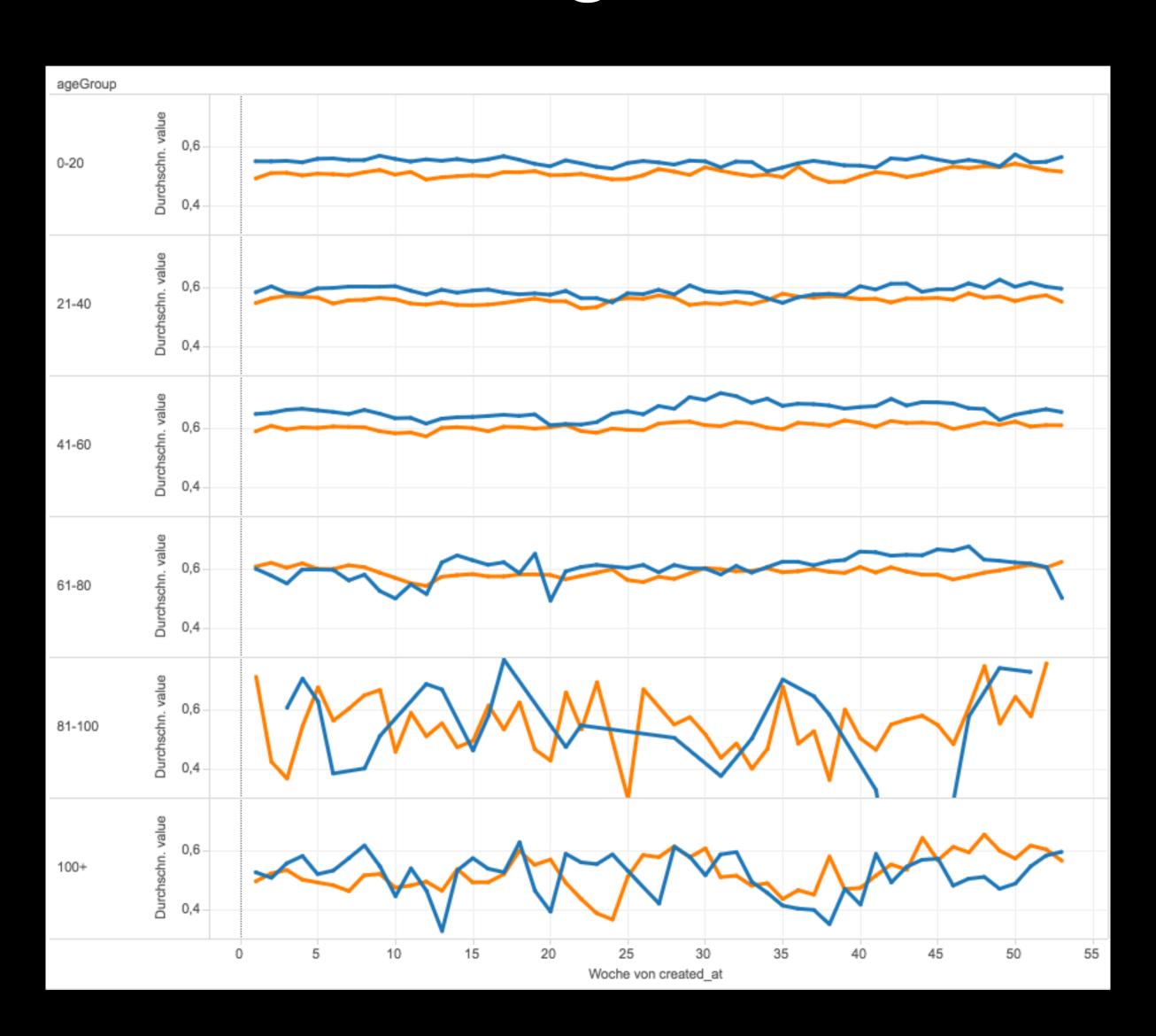


Abs change



Insights

Women Men



Learnings

- If your use case is complex, you need a complex model
- If you have a complex model, you need lots of data
- If you have lots of data, you need an ETL pipeline that can process huge amounts of data fast
- Think about your use case first, then design the pipeline

Questions?

You can ask them on gutefrage too:)