

# Reproducibility and reuse in data-driven sciences: from provenance to summaries

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new experiment,  
some commonalities

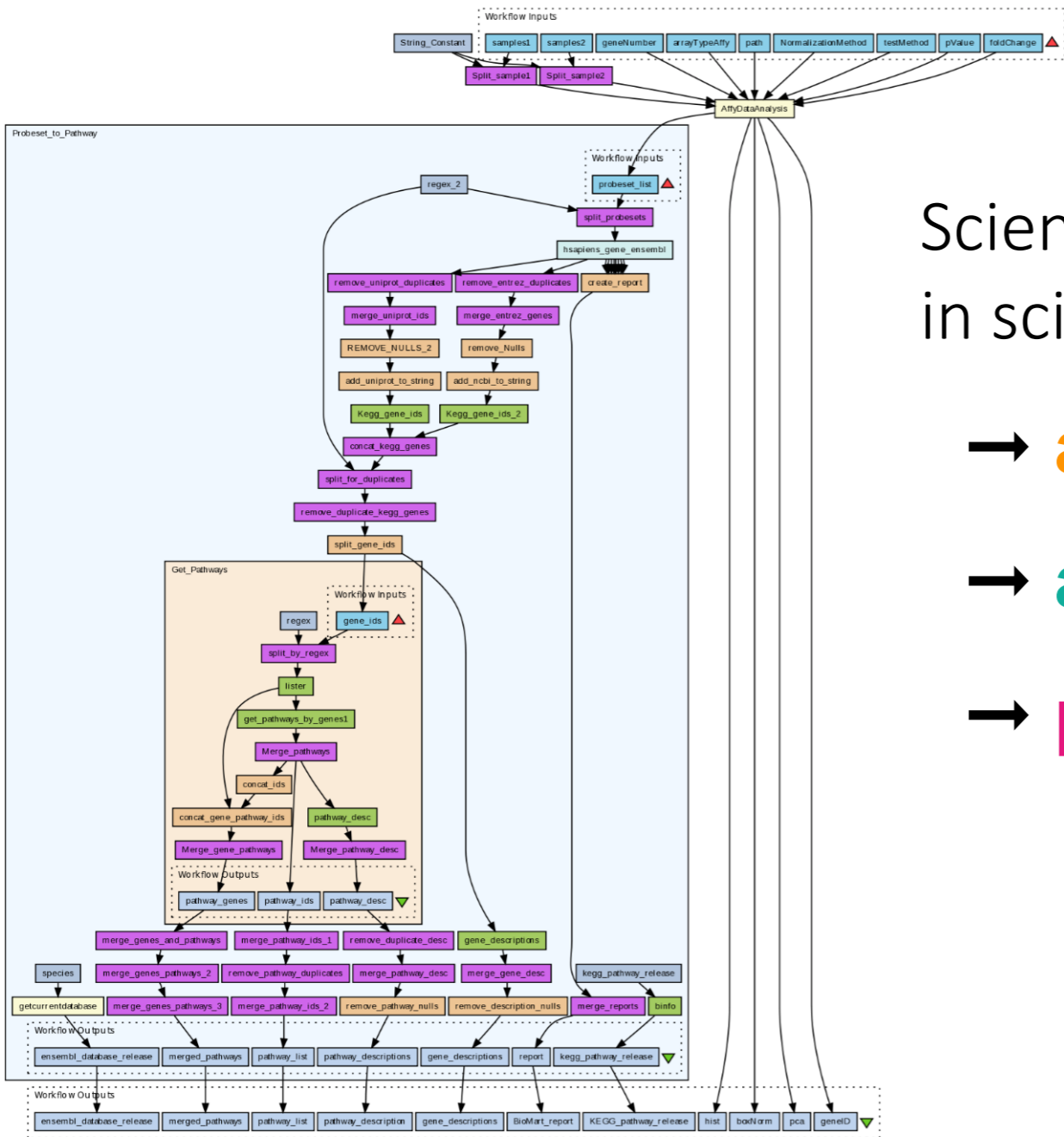
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# Scientific **workflows** to the rescue

# What is a workflow ?

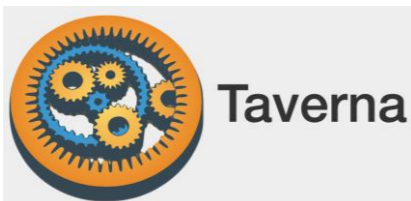
« a systematic way of **describing the methods** needed and provide the **interface** between **domain specialists** and **computing infrastructures**. »





Scientific workflows to enhance **trust** in scientific results:

- **automation** of data analysis (at scale)
- **abstraction** (describe/share methods)
- **provenance** (~tracability, trust, transparency)



TensorFlow



# Provenance

## Definition in Computer Science

« Provenance information describes the **origins** and the **history of data in its life cycle**. »

« Today, (...) data is constantly being created, copied, moved around, and combined indiscriminately. Because information sources (...) vary widely in terms of quality, it is essential to provide **provenance and other context information** which can **help end users judge** whether query results are **trustworthy**. »

# Representing provenance



## PROV-O: The PROV Ontology

W3C Recommendation 30 April 2013

**This version:**

<http://www.w3.org/TR/2013/REC-prov-o-20130430/>

**Latest published version:**

<http://www.w3.org/TR/prov-o/>

**Implementation report:**

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**Previous version:**

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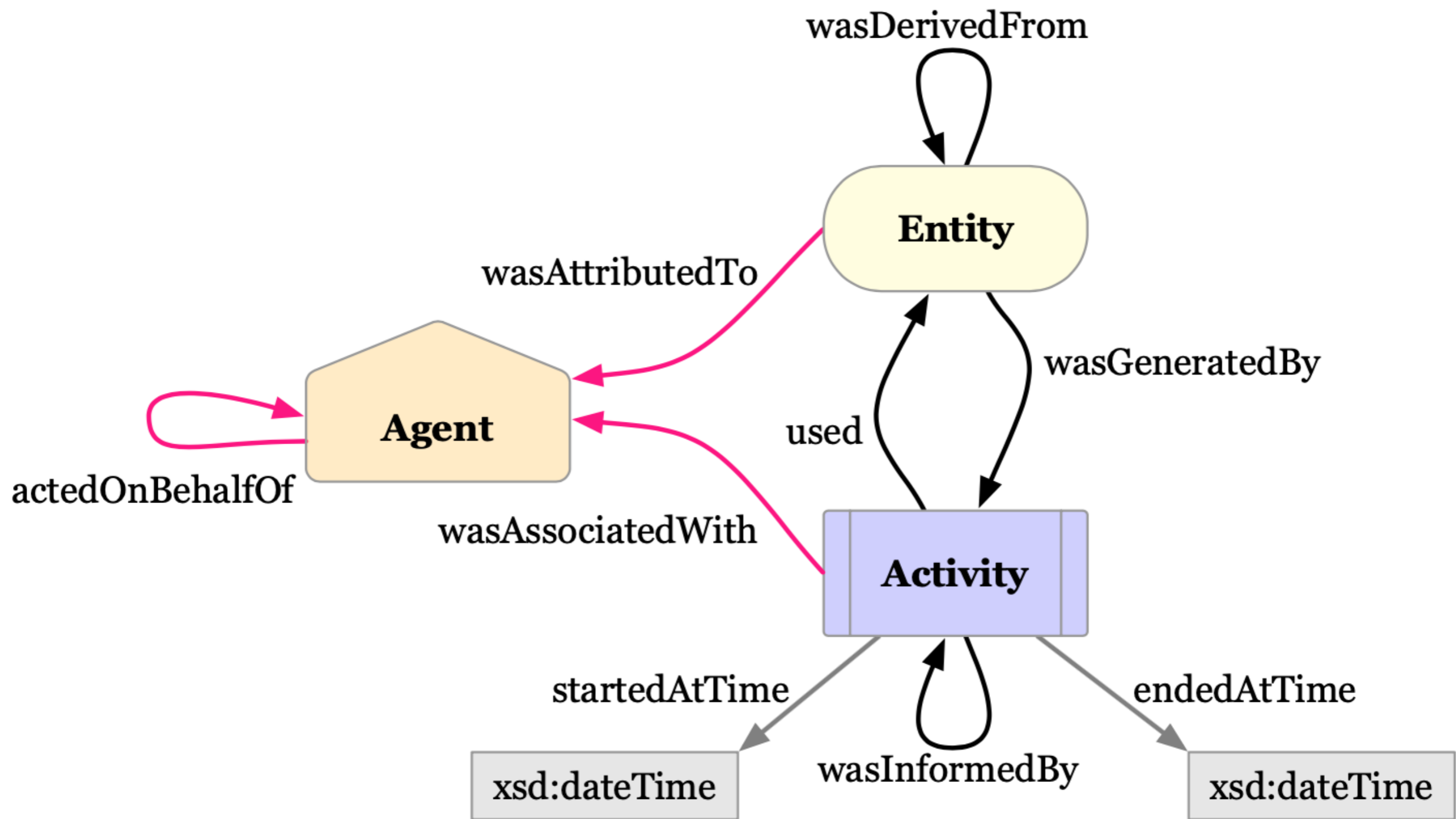
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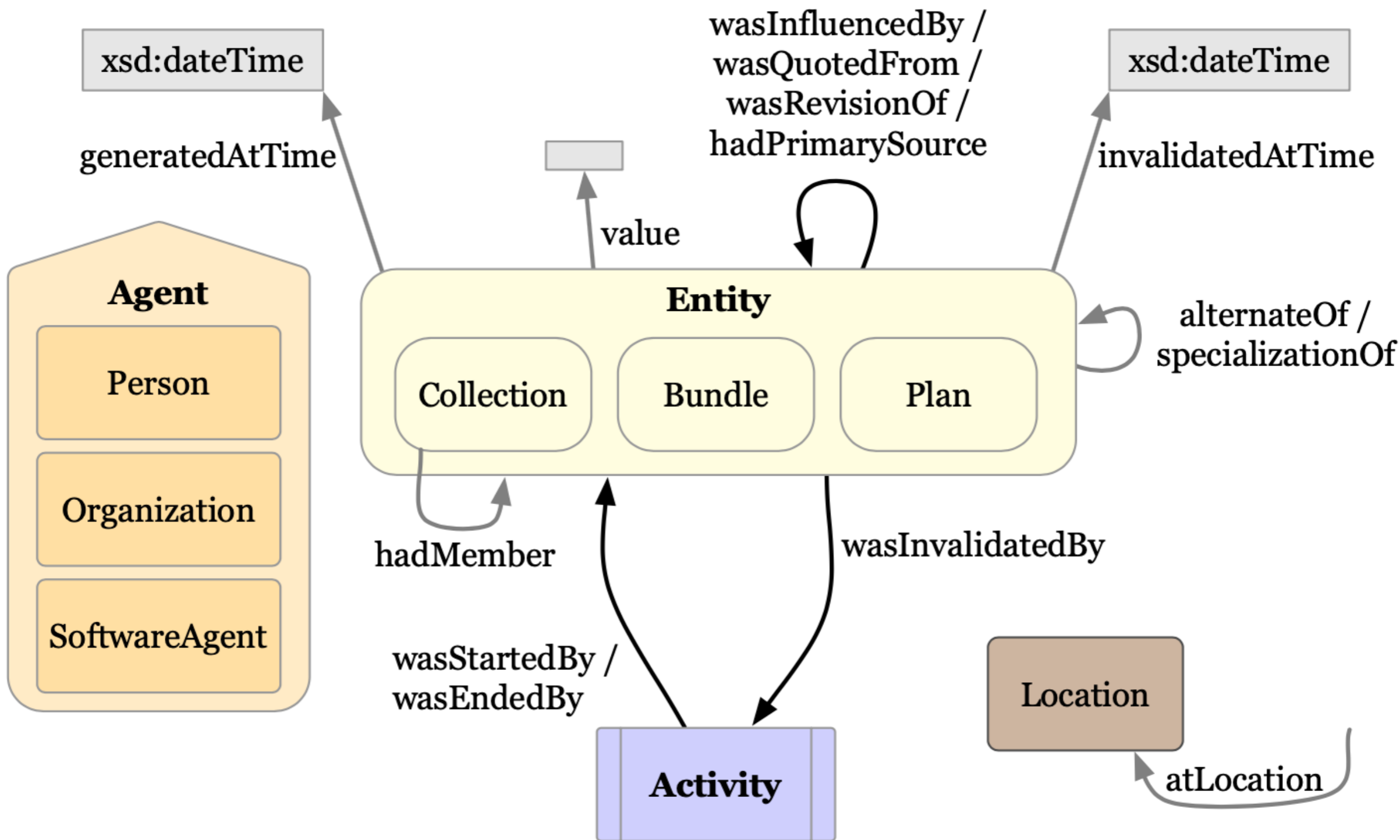
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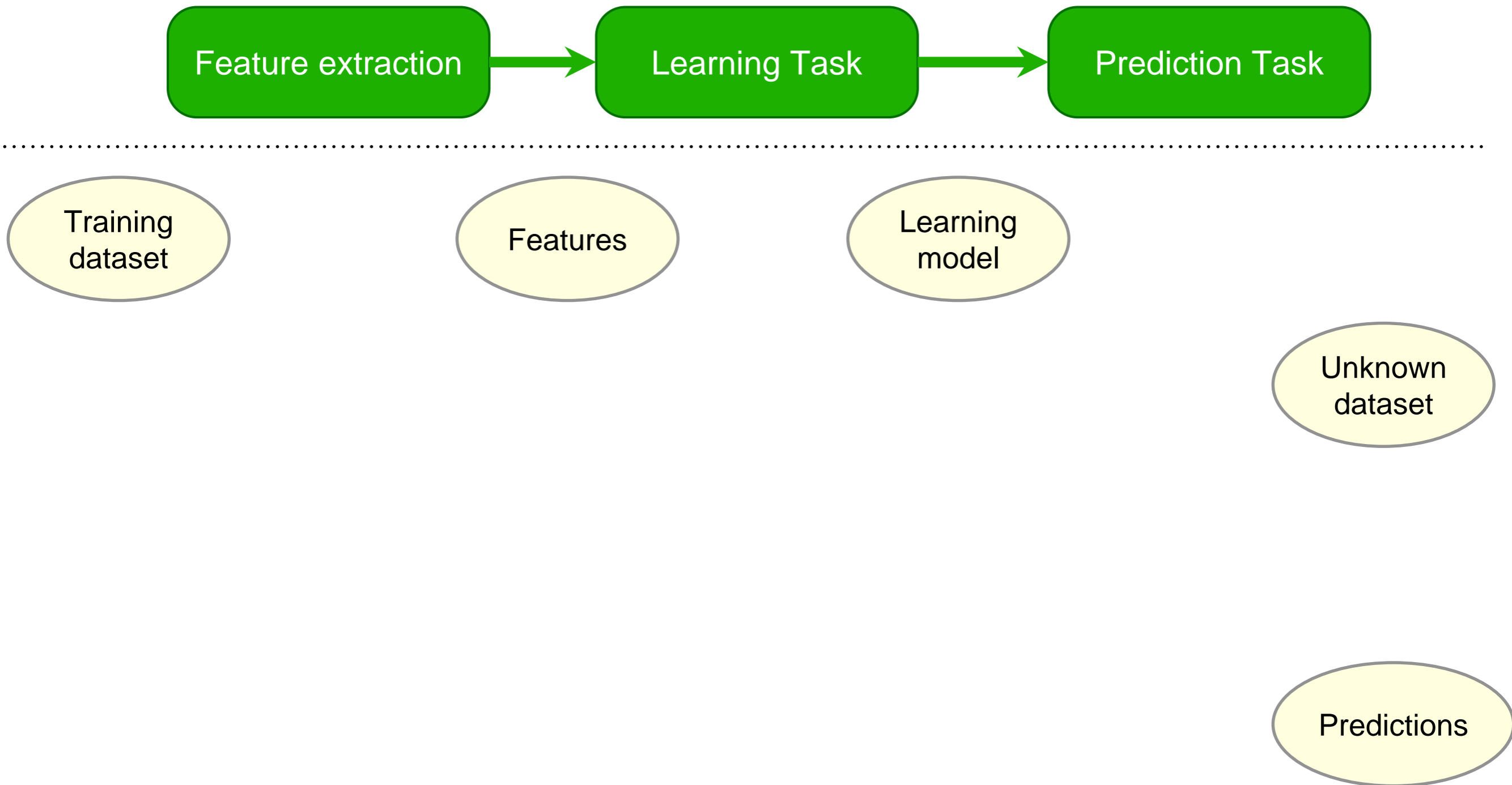
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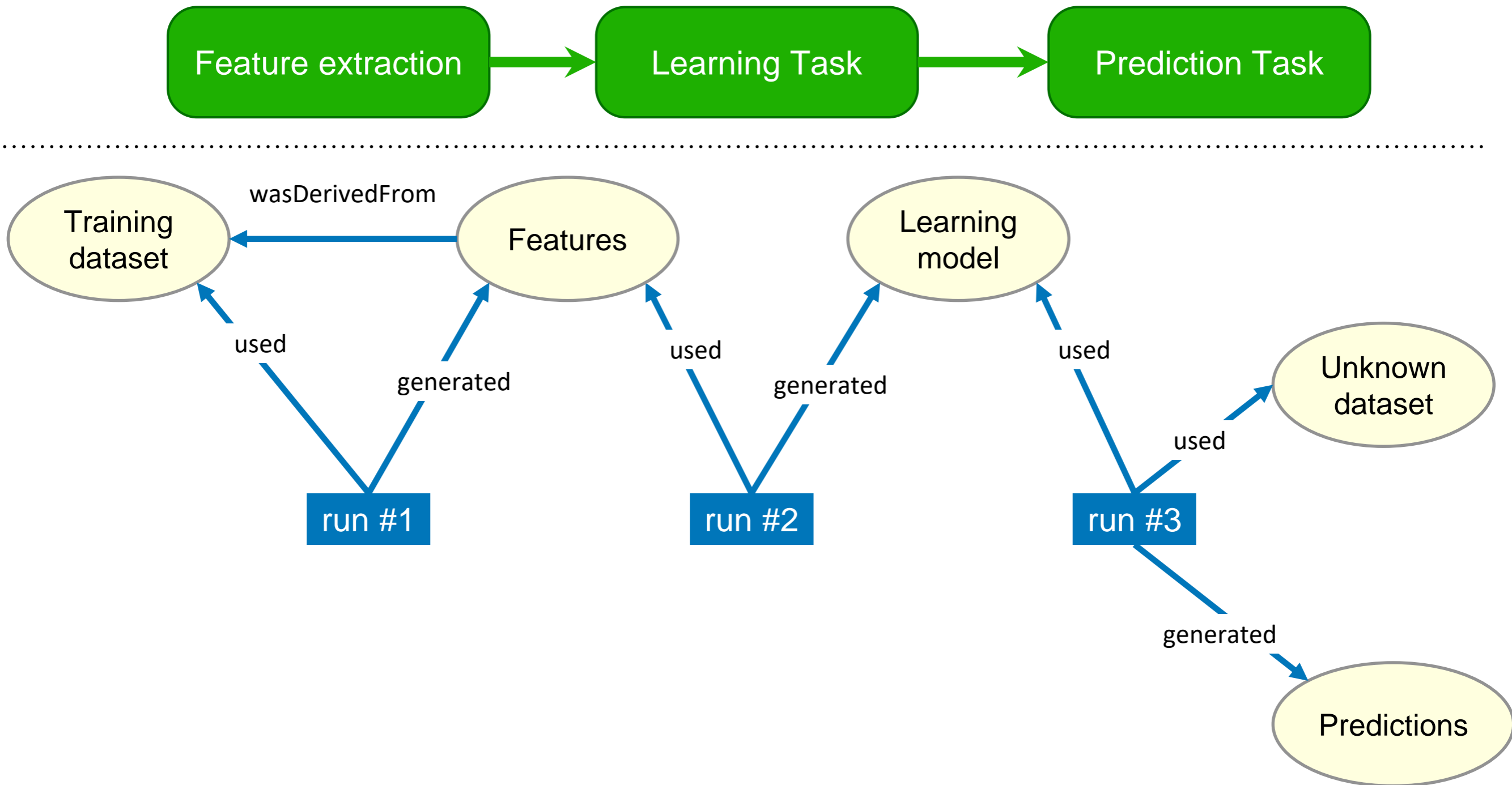




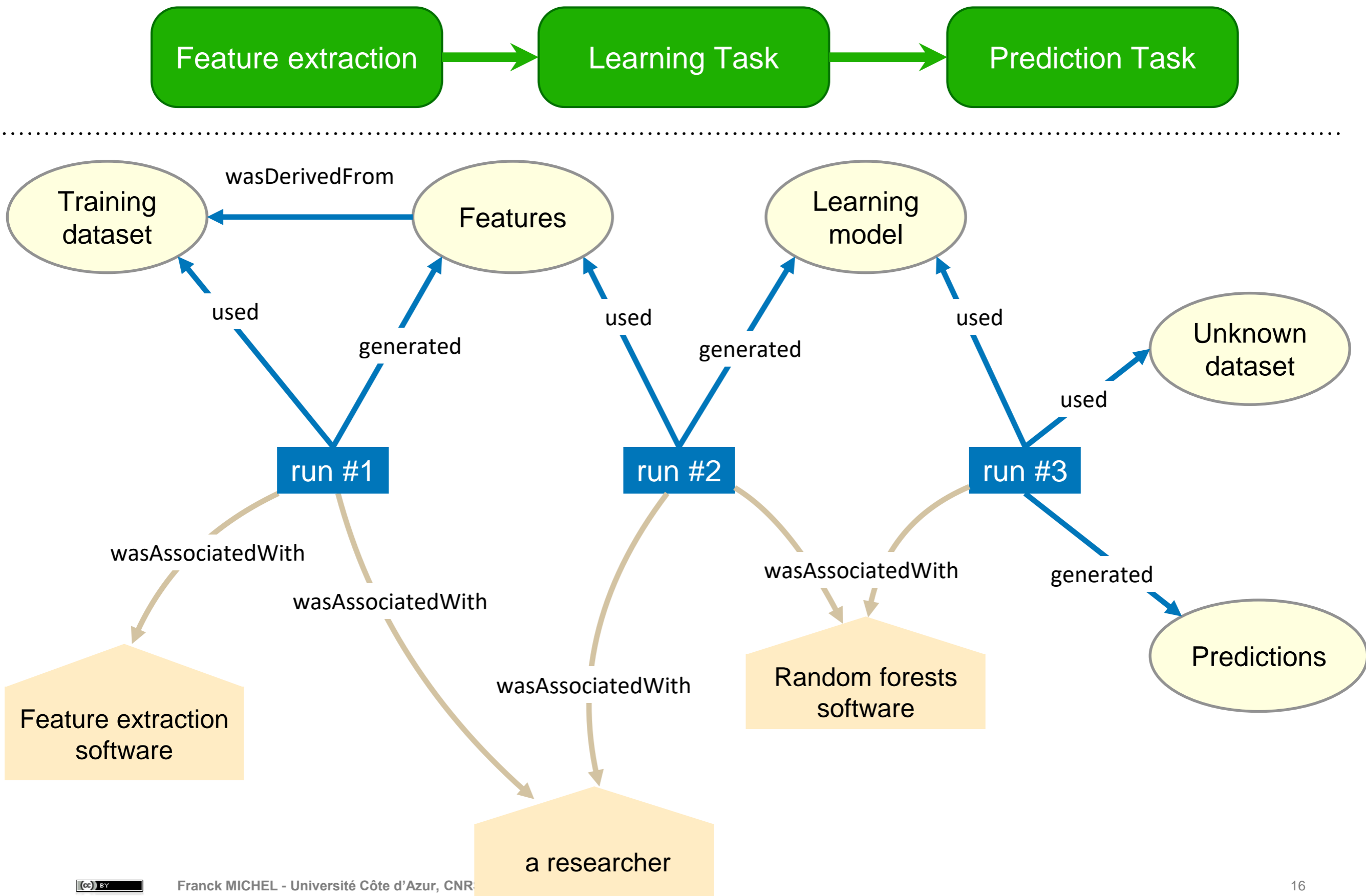
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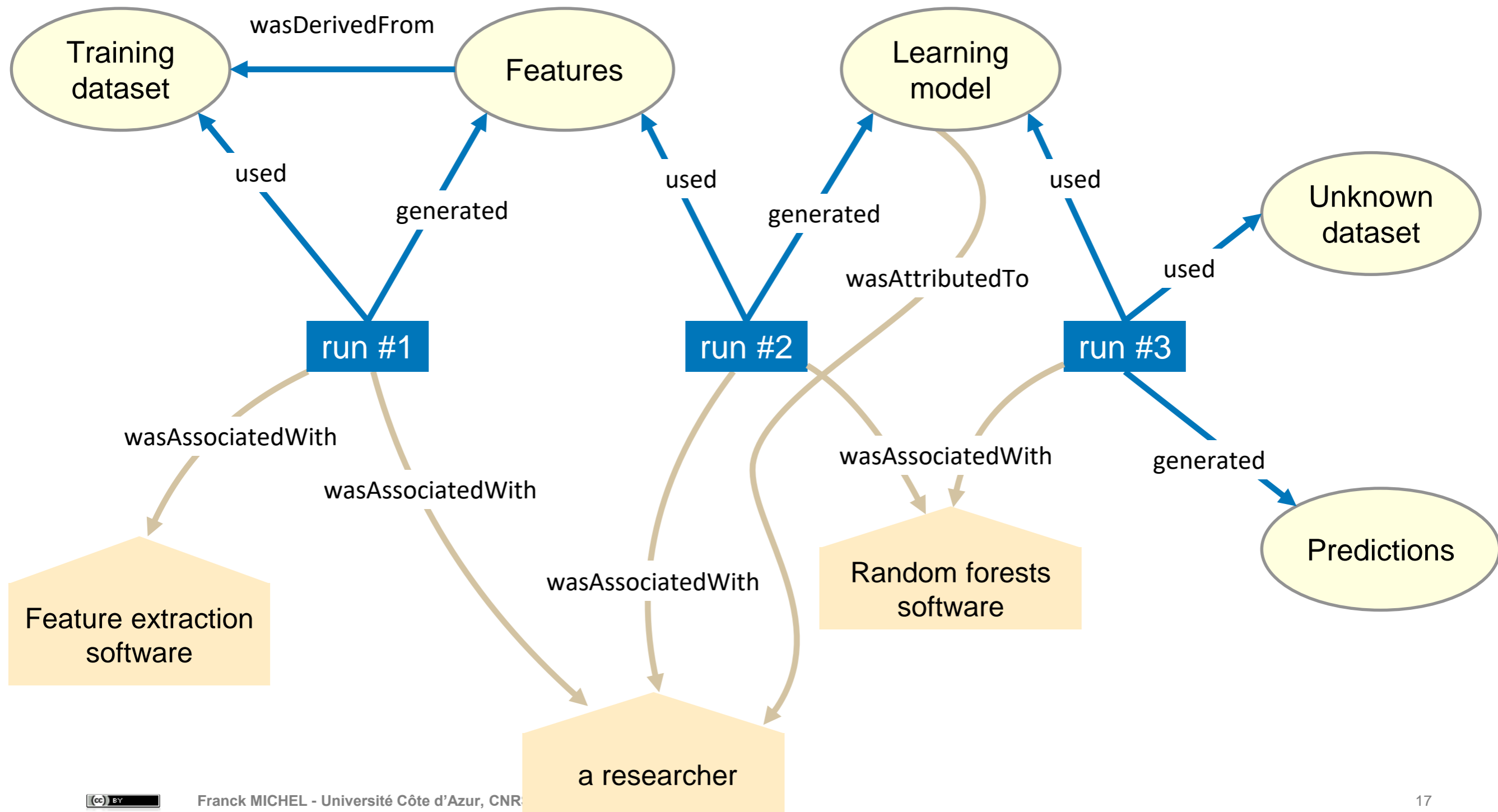


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# Reasoning with provenance



## Constraints of the PROV Data Model

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**Latest published version:**

<http://www.w3.org/TR/prov-constraints/>

**Test suite:**

<http://dvcs.w3.org/hg/prov/raw-file/default/testcases/process.html>

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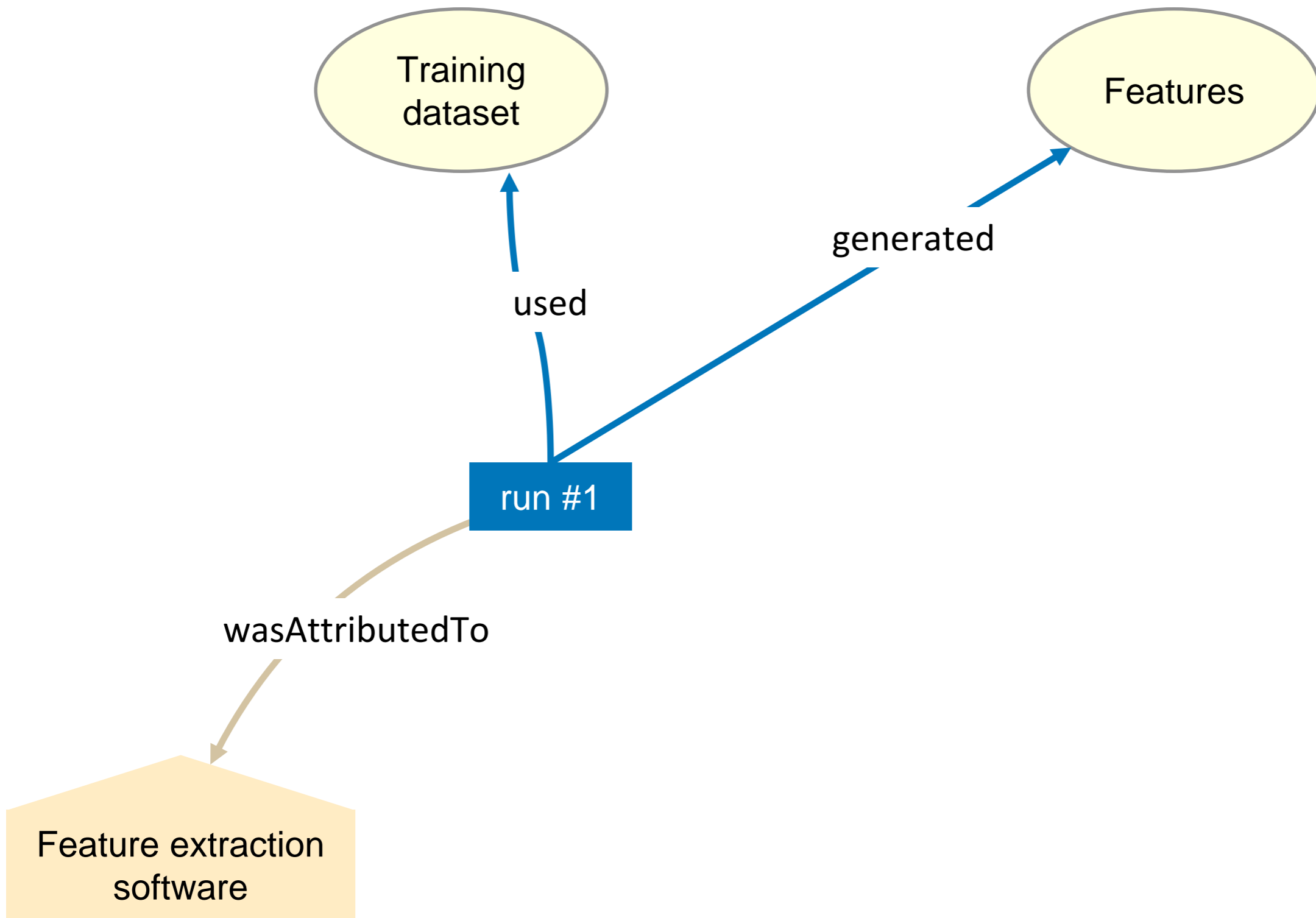
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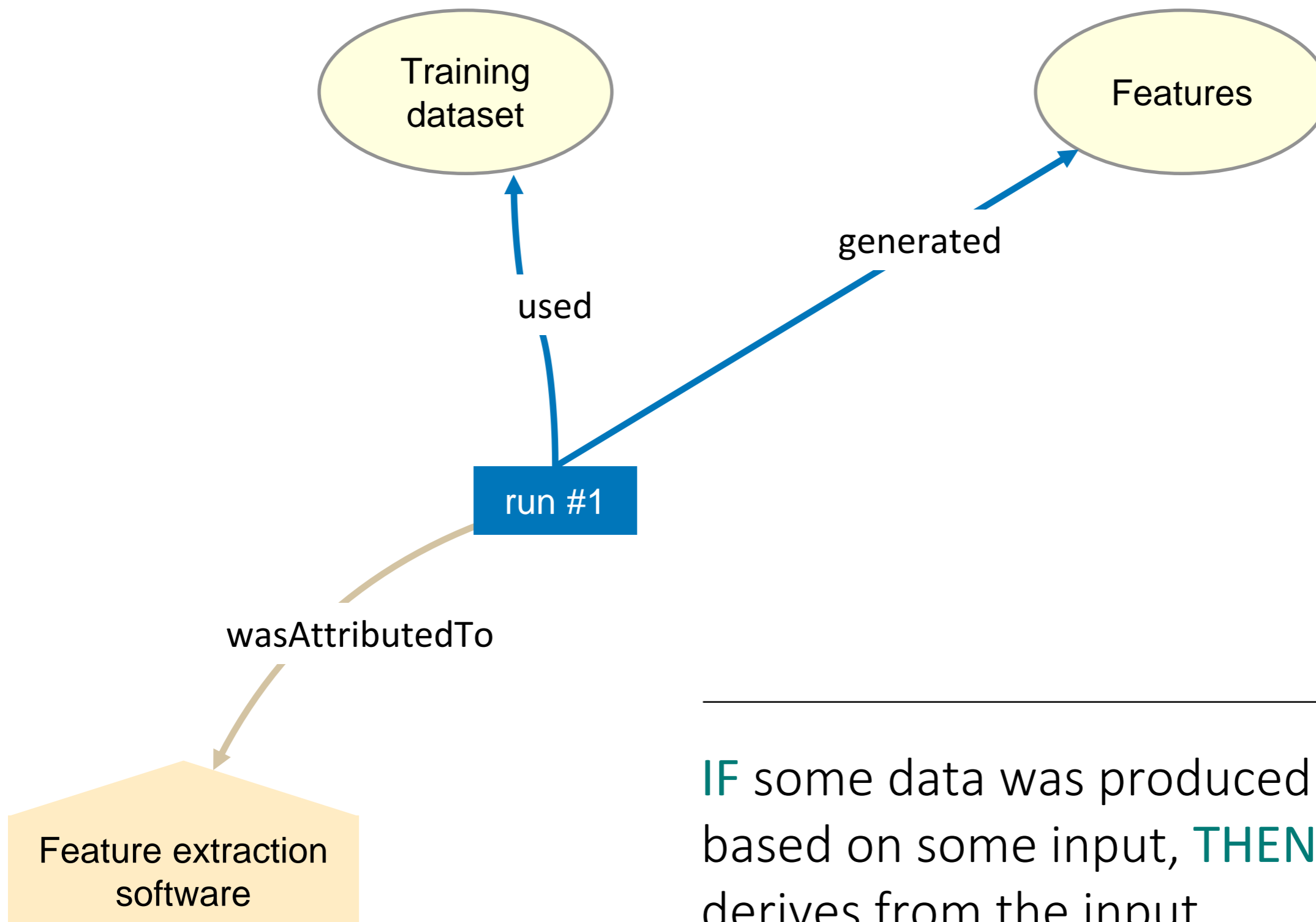
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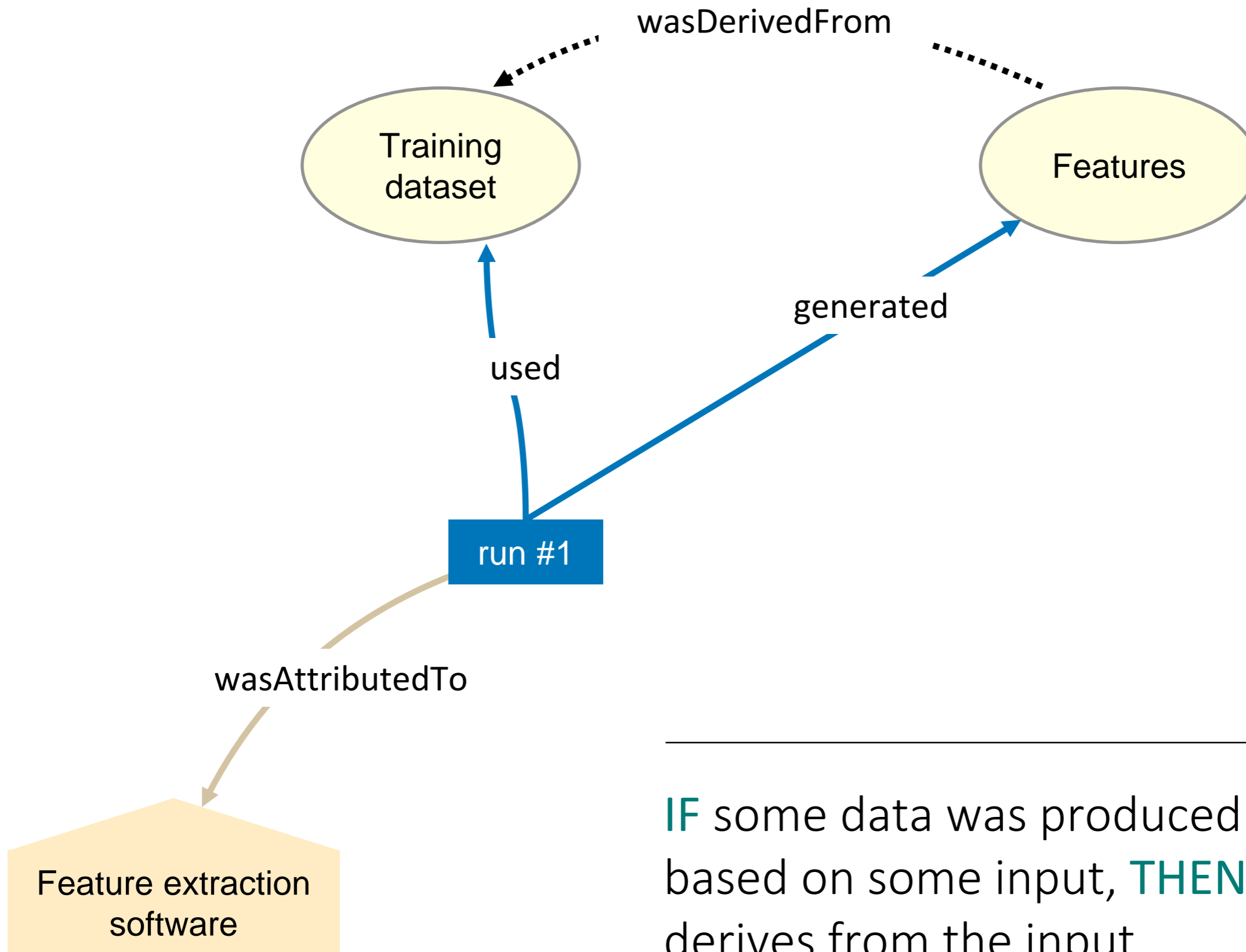
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# Is provenance enough for **reproducibility**?

“An activity used an entity”. What to denote inputs’ roles?

E.g. image registration: 2 inputs image, image to register + atlas

Problem of hidden parameters

Configuration parameters passed inline in a script

Hyper-parameters of a DNN

Hence the need for **PROV-O extensions**

ProvONE: PROV Extension for Scientific Workflow Provenance

Sensor Data Provenance: SSNO and PROV-O

PAV: Provenance, Authoring and Versioning ontology

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# Is provenance enough for reuse?

Too fine-grained  
No domain concepts

```
11 a prov:Bundle, prov:Entity;  
12 prov:wasAttributedTo <#galaxy2prov>;  
13 prov:generatedAtTime "2016-04-14T18:18:37.000409"^^xsd:dateTime;  
14 .  
15  
16 <#72486b583fe152f0>  
17 a prov:Activity ;  
18 prov:wasAssociatedWith <#cat1> ;  
19 prov:startedAtTime "2015-12-15T12:54:50.749845"^^xsd:dateTime;  
20 prov:endedAtTime "2015-12-15T12:55:57.016799"^^xsd:dateTime;
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Visualise



# Semantic tool catalogs



Search bio.tools

12568 tools

About

Menu ▾

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**gatk\_unified\_genotyper** (biotools:gatk\_unified\_genotyper) ID Verified  
<https://software.broadinstitute.org/gatk/>



4.7k

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Available versions

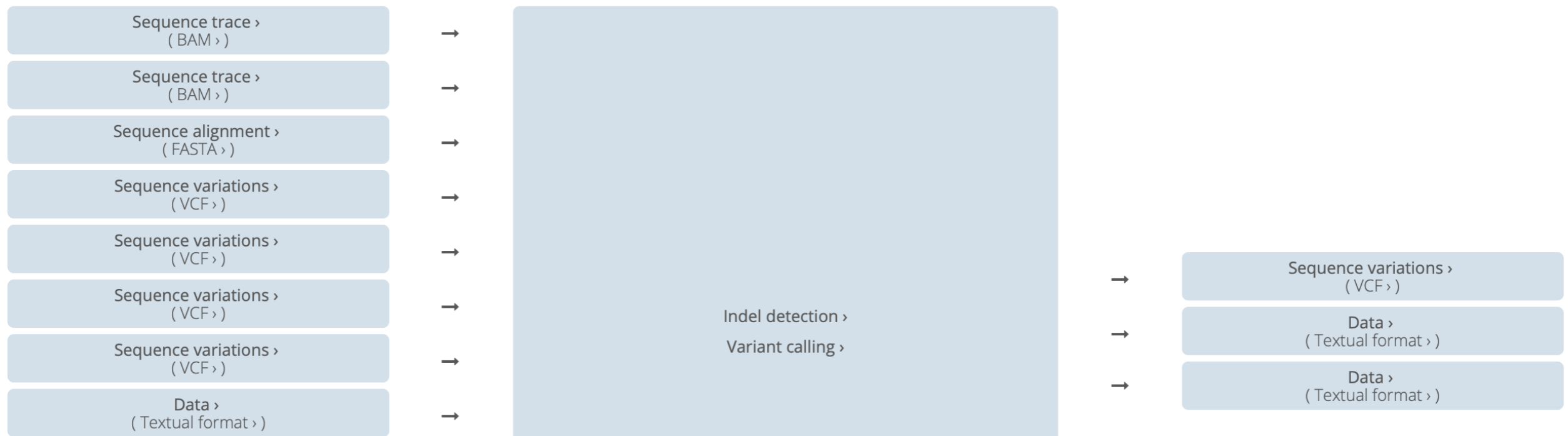
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Sequencing > DNA polymorphism > Genetic variation >

Mature Open access

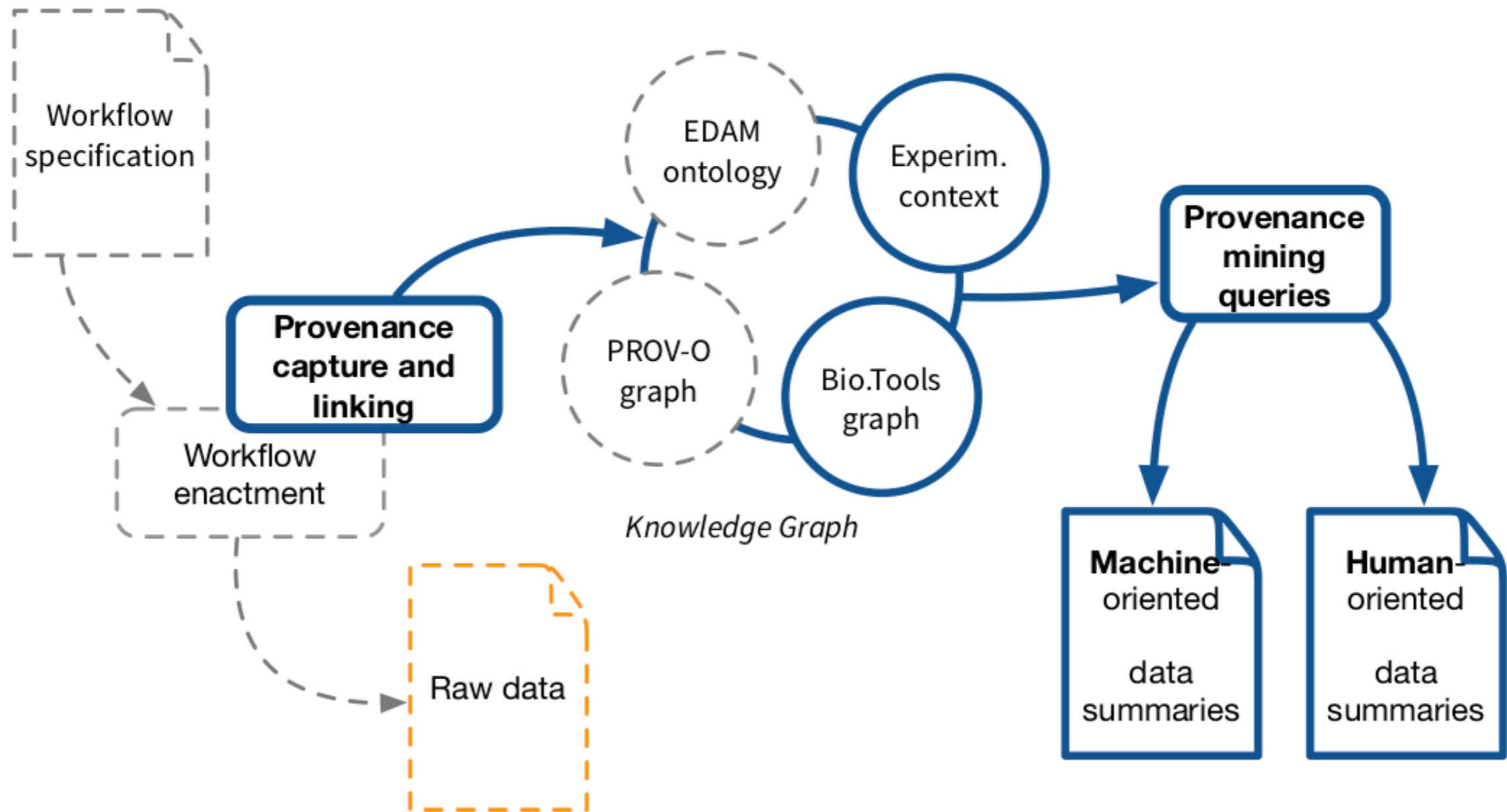
Web application Java   

SNP and indel caller.





# Domain-centric provenance summary



What about ML tools?

Goal: *Improve **interoperability**, **reproducibility** and **interpretability** of DM/ML experiments*

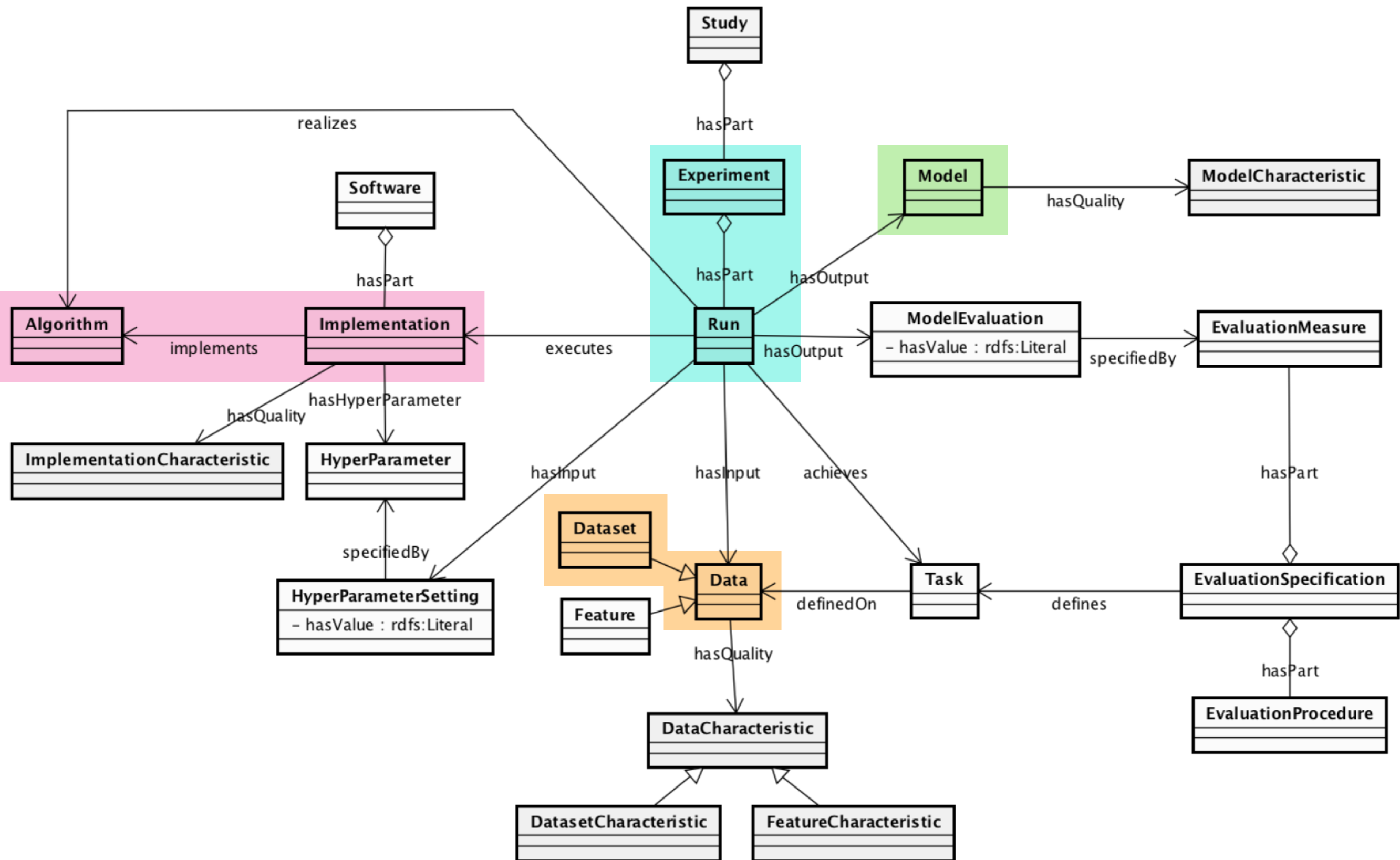
How:

- Define a schema to represent/share information on DM/ML **algorithms, datasets and experiments**
- Align existing DM/ML ontologies to this schema, develop ontologies for specific purposes/applications
- Turn DM/ML algorithms and results into **Linked Open Data**

## Inspired by previous works on ML/DM vocabularies

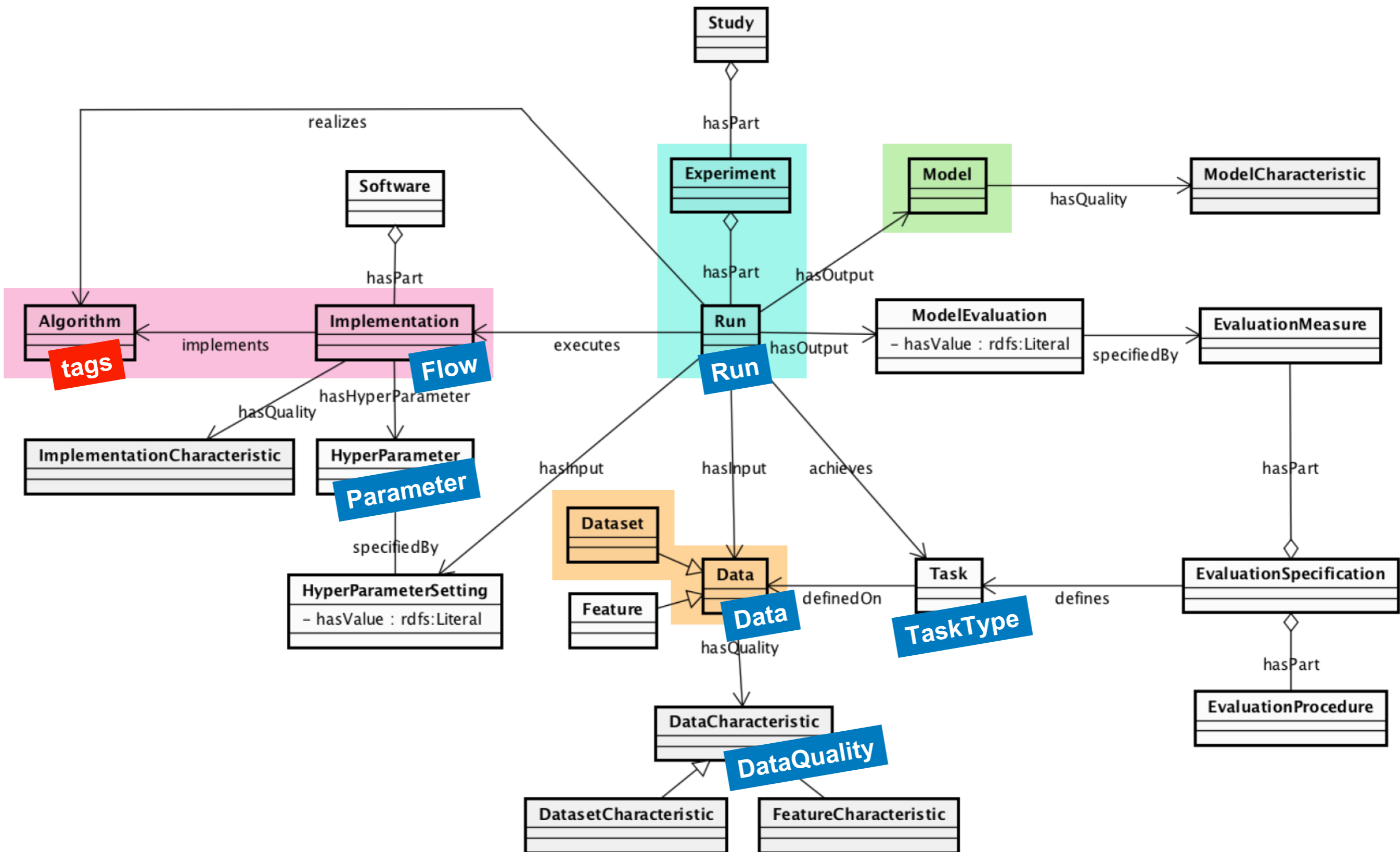
- **OntoDM**-core ontology: DM, based on BFO
- **Exposé** ontology: ML experiments, on top of OntoDM. Used in OpenML
- **Data Mining OPTimization** ontology: taxonomy of DM algos and ML models
- **MEX**: lightweight vocabulary to exchange basic ML metadata

# ML-Schema



Publio G. C., Esteves D., Ławrynowicz A., Panov P., Soldatova L., Soru T., Vanschoren J. & Zafar H. (2018). **ML-Schema: Exposing the Semantics of Machine Learning with Schemas and Ontologies**. In *Proc. of the 2nd Reproducibility in Machine Learning*, p. 5. Stockholm, Sweden.

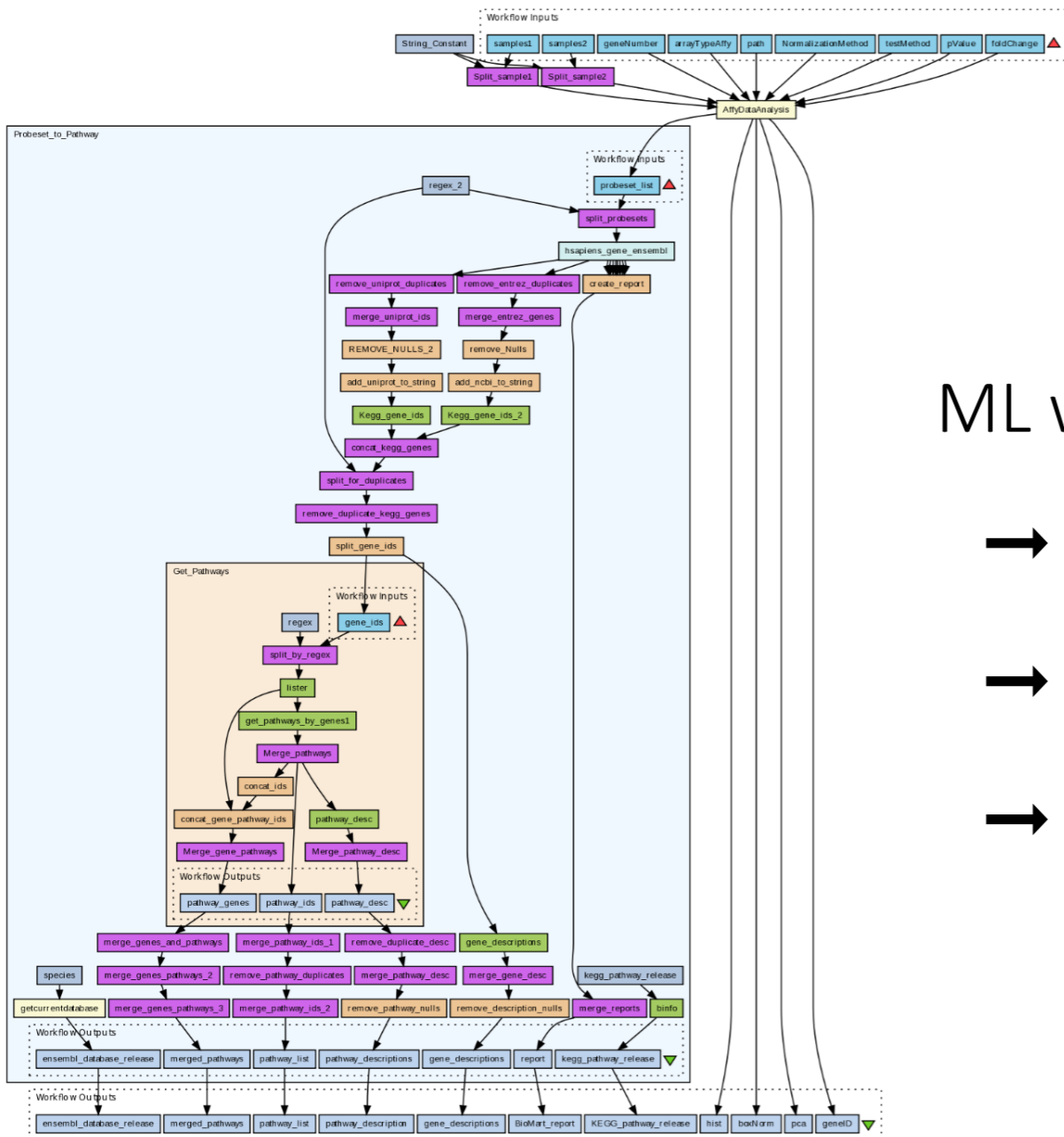
# Imperfect mapping of ML-Schema to OpenML



## Current status (personal feeling)

- Still a preliminary work: a simple Turtle file
- Need for more complete recommendations (e.g. wrt. use of 3<sup>rd</sup> party vocabularies: DC Terms, DCAT etc.)
- Need for richer mapping descriptions
- Need for real interoperability tests

But a key to **instrument ML algos/datasets/experiments** together with **PROV-O-instrumented workflow engines**



ML workflows:

- **automation** of data analysis
- **abstraction**: ML-Schema + extensions
- **provenance**: PROV-O + extensions



# Take-aways & open questions

**Scientific Workflows** → automation, abstraction, provenance

Standards for **provenance representation** and **reasoning**

Reproducibility/reuse requires **domain-specific tools' description** and **provenance-enabled workflow engines**

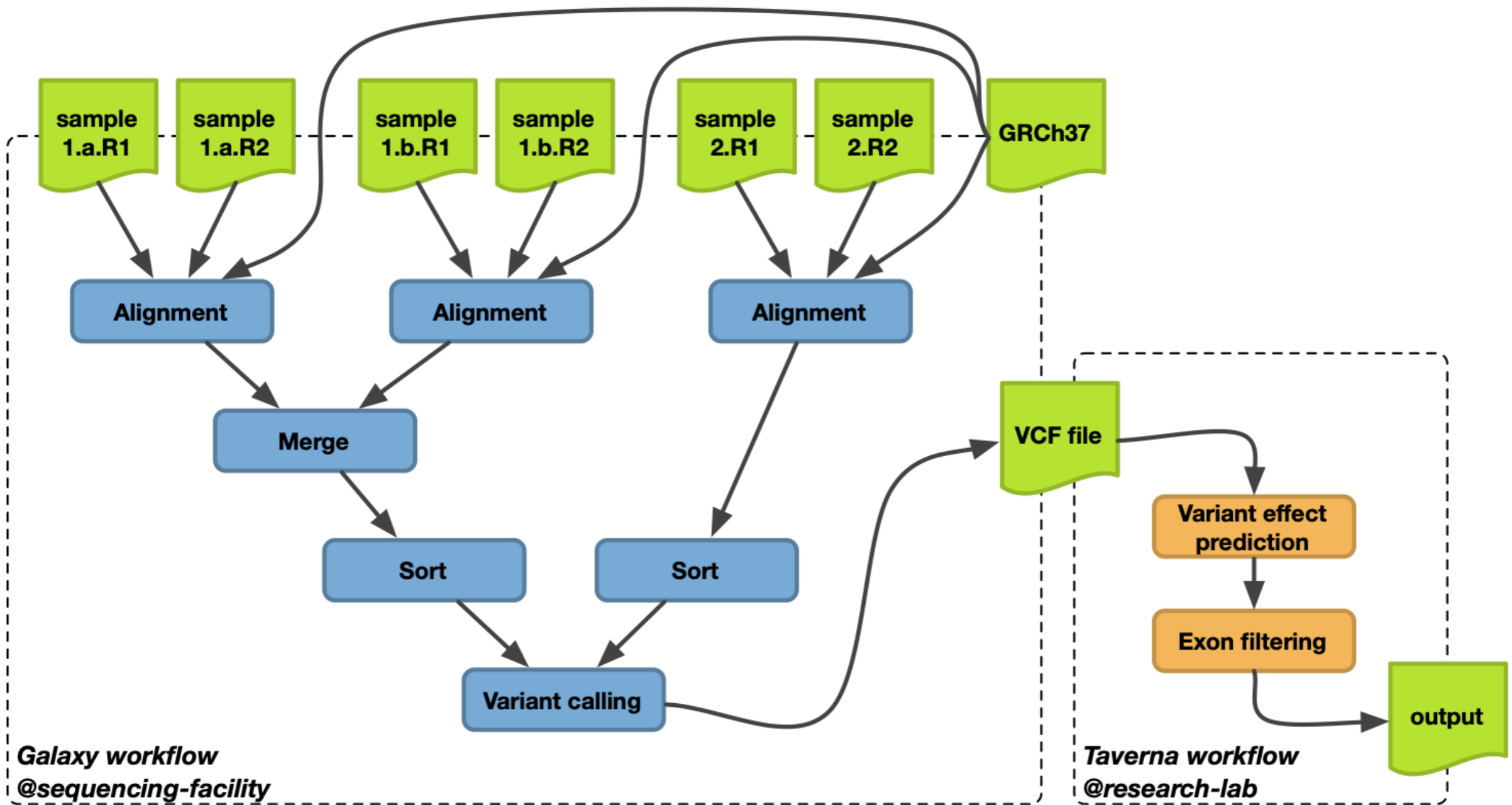
**ML-Schema + PROV-O** → the future winning couple?

Distributed data analysis → **Distributed provenance, reasoning?**

# Backup slides

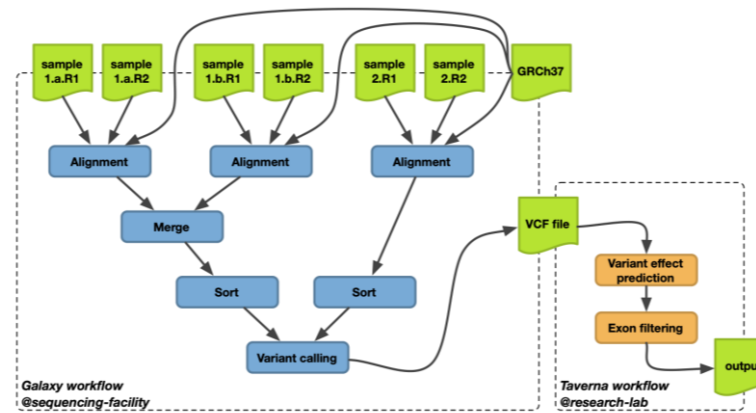
# Provenance in **multi-site** studies ?

# Multi-site studies → ≠ workflow engines !



Scattered provenance capture ?

# Provenance issues



« Which alignment algorithm was used when predicting these pathogenic store? »

« A new version of a reference genome is available, which genome was used when predicting these phenotypes? »

Need for an overall tracking of provenance over both Galaxy and Taverna workflows !

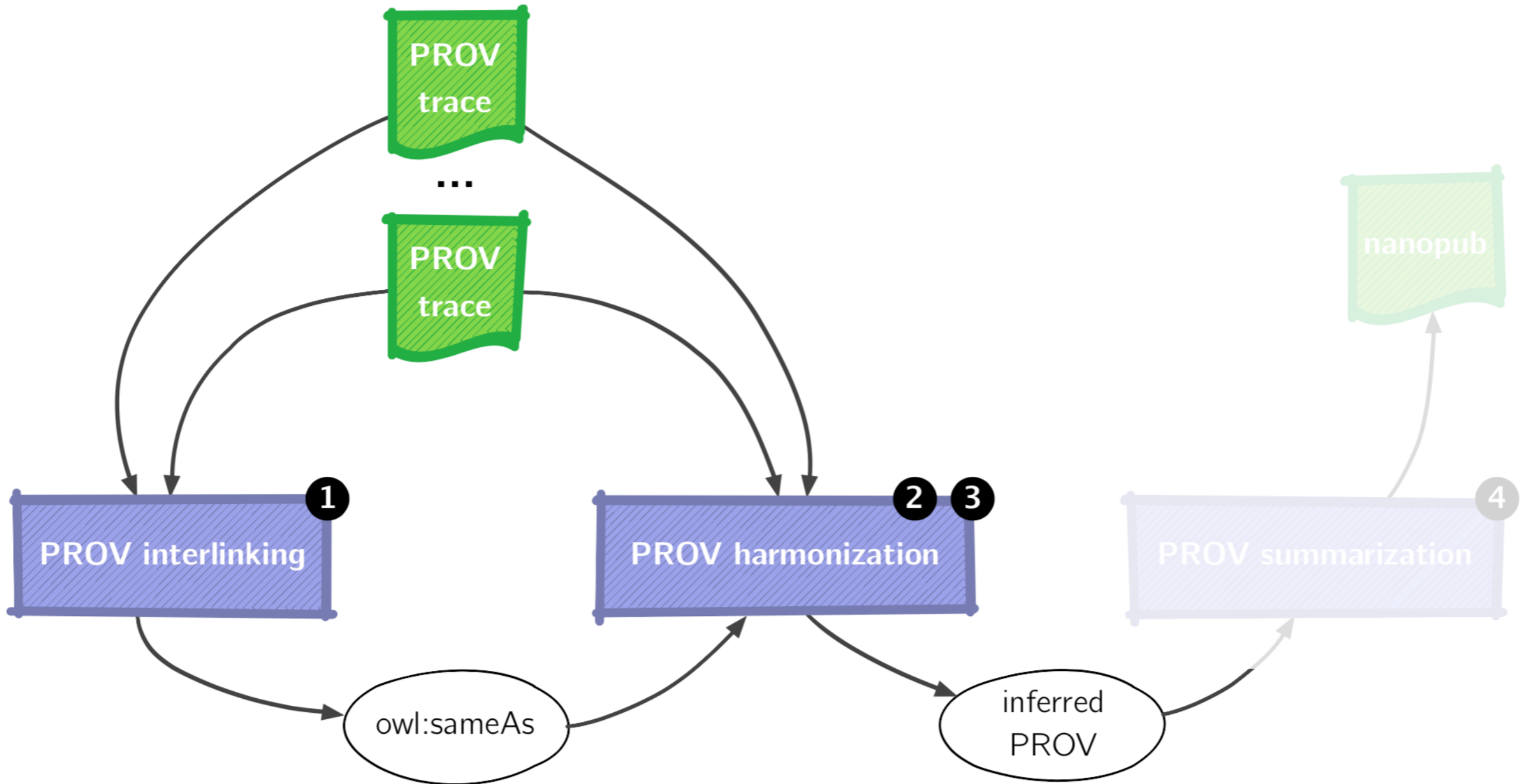
# Provenance « heterogeneity »

Galaxy PROV predicates	counts
<code>prov:wasDerivedFrom</code>	118
<code>rdf:type</code>	76
<code>rdfs:label</code>	62
<code>prov:used</code>	61
<code>prov:wasAttributedTo</code>	34
<code>prov:wasGeneratedBy</code>	33
<code>prov:endedAtTime</code>	26
<code>prov:startedAtTime</code>	26
<code>prov:wasAssociatedWith</code>	26
<code>prov:generatedAtTime</code>	1

Taverna PROV predicates	counts
<code>rdf:type</code>	54
<code>rdfs:label</code>	13
<code>prov:atTime</code>	8
<code>wfprov:describedByParameter</code>	6
<code>rdfs:comment</code>	6
<code>prov:hadRole</code>	6
<code>prov:activity</code>	5
<code>dcterms:hasPart</code>	4
<code>prov:agent</code>	4
<code>prov:endedAtTime</code>	4
<code>prov:hadPlan</code>	4
<code>prov:qualifiedAssociation</code>	4
<code>prov:qualifiedEnd</code>	4
<code>prov:qualifiedStart</code>	4
<code>prov:startedAtTime</code>	4
<code>prov:wasAssociatedWith</code>	4
<code>tavernaprov:content</code>	3
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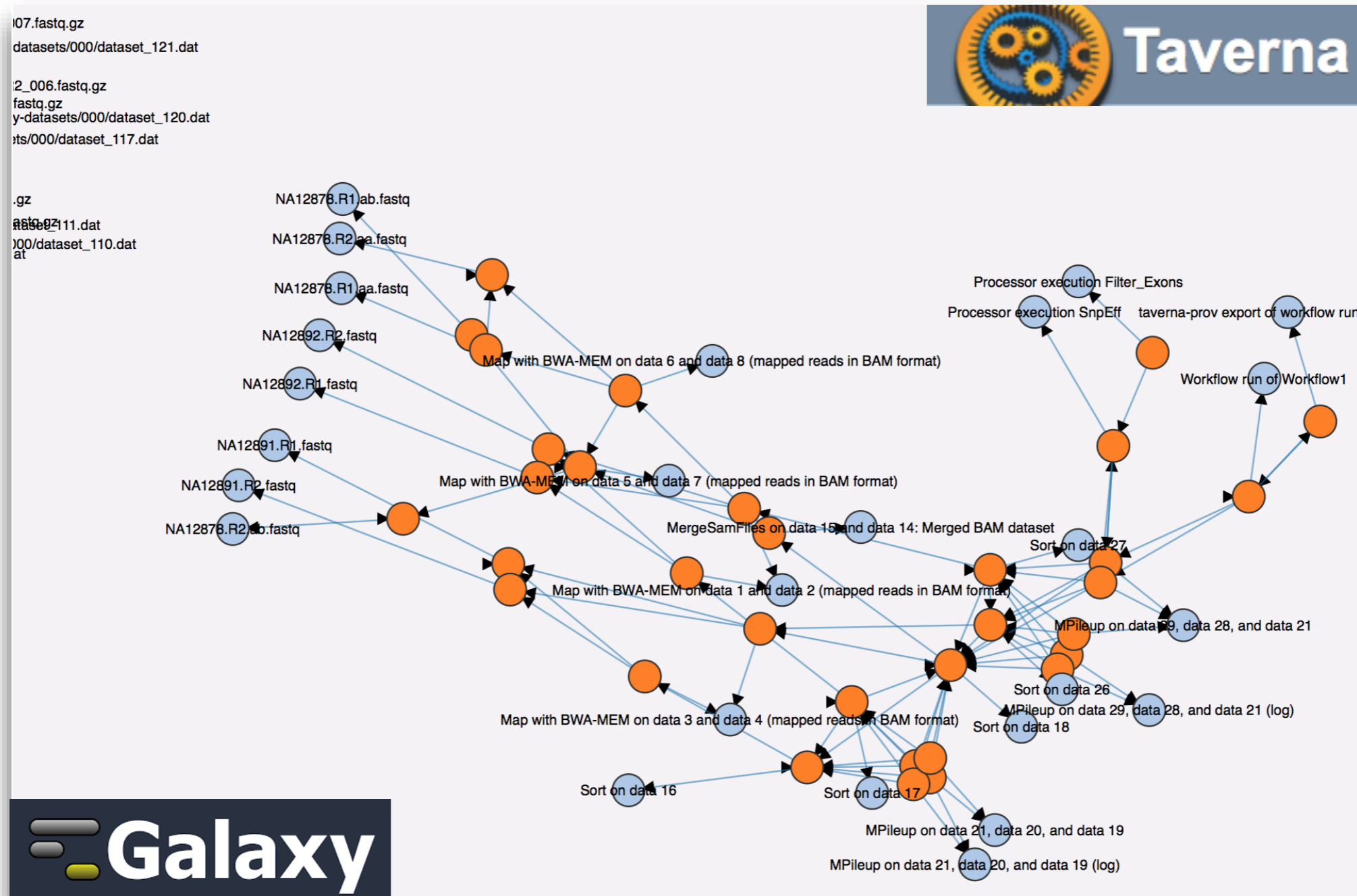
How to reconcile these provenance traces?

# Approach



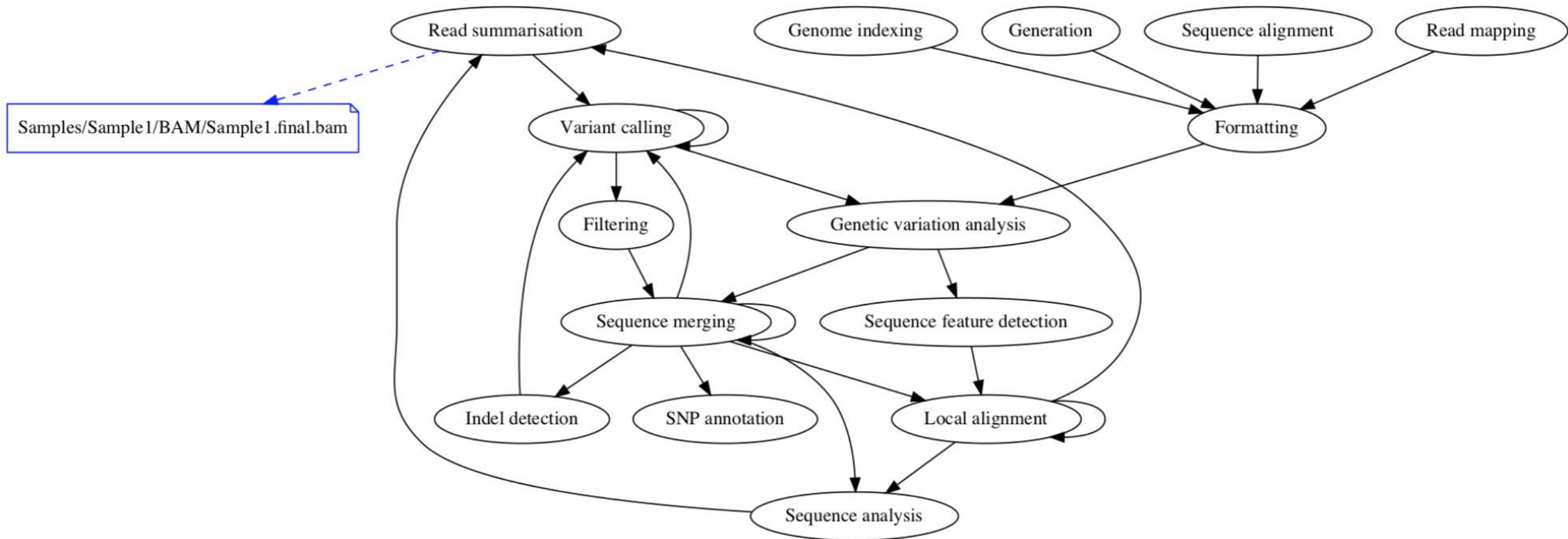
# Results

Reconciled provenance as an « influence graph »





# Provenance summary



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The file Samples/Sample1/BAM/Sample1.realign.bai results from tool gatk2\_indel\_realigner-IP which Locally align two or more molecular sequences.

It was produced in the context of Rare Coding Variants in ANGPTL6 Are Associated with Familial Forms of Intracranial Aneurysm

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