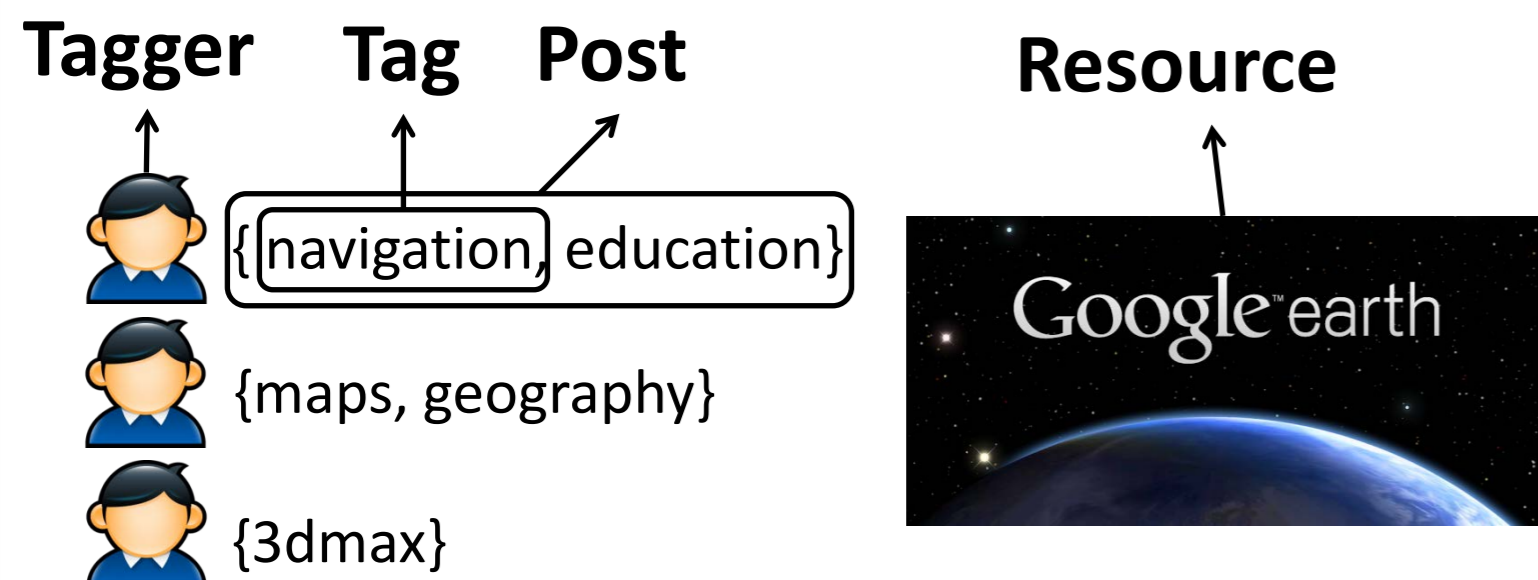


iTag: Incentive-Based Tagging

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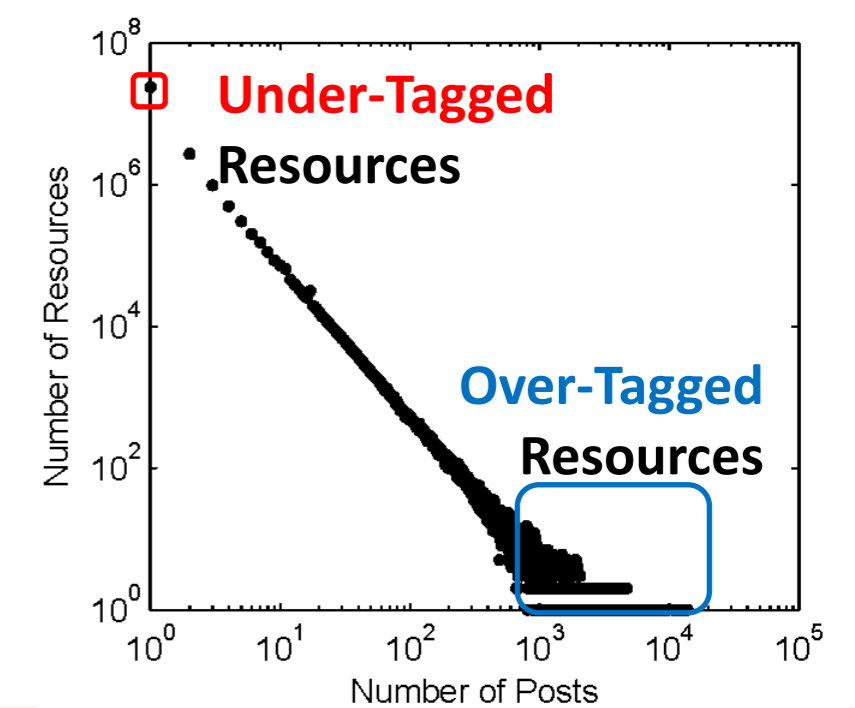
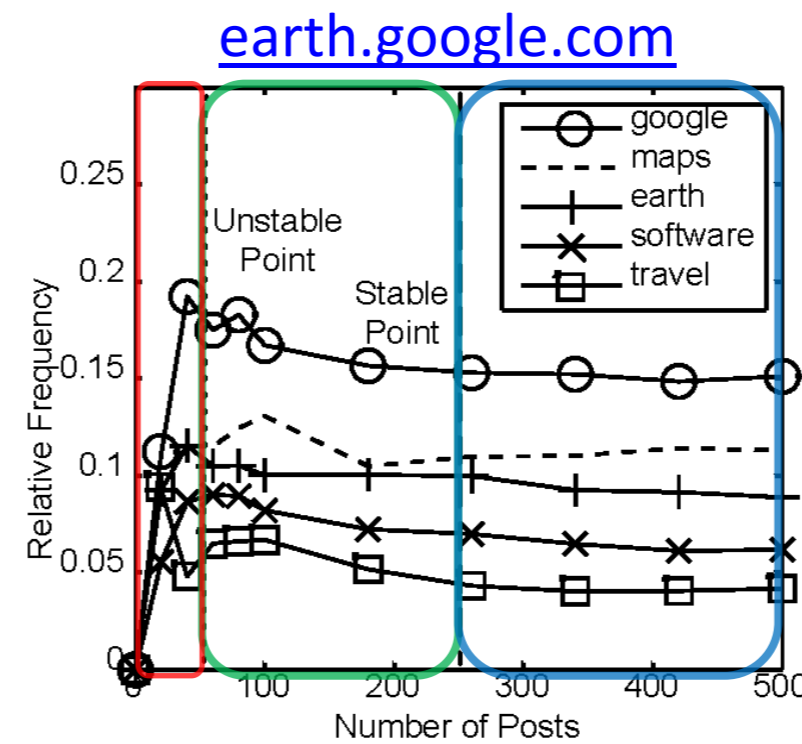
Introduction

- Collaborative Tagging Data: facilitate many applications



- Resource needs **sufficient number** of posts to get high-quality tag data.

- Under-Tag** and **Over-Tag** in Collaborative Tagging Systems



Problem: how to improve the quality for collaborative tagging data?

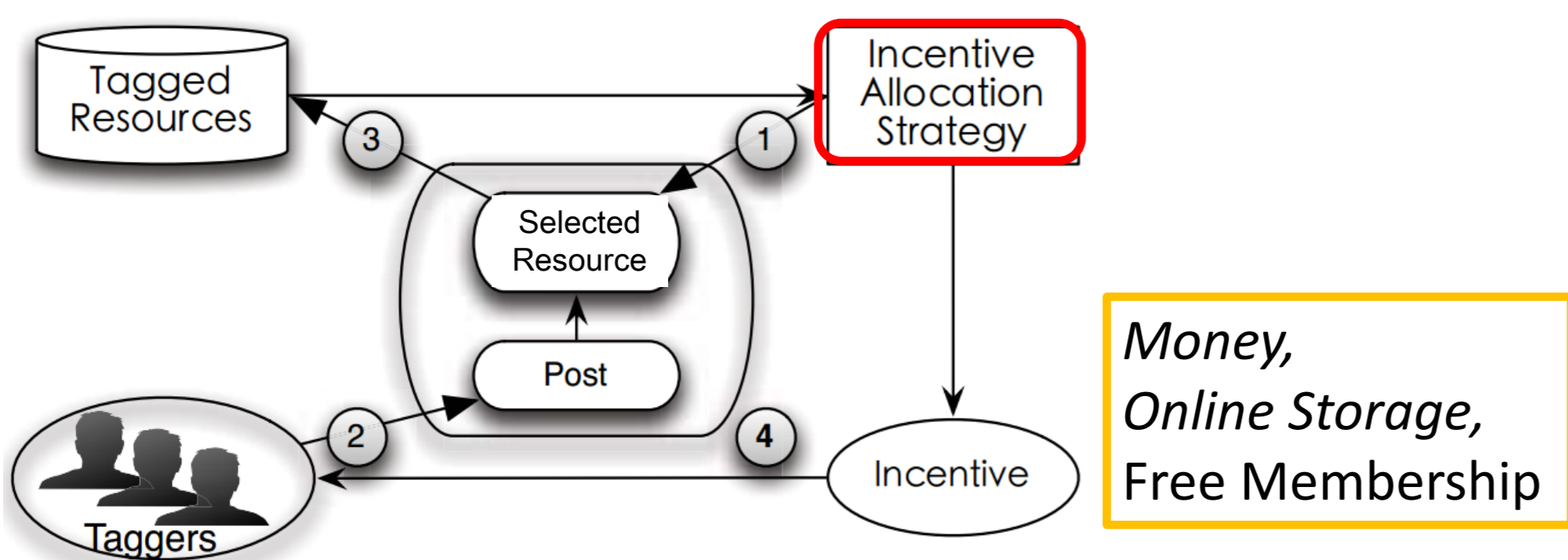
Approach

Tag Quality

- Relative Frequency Distribution (rfd) $\vec{F}_i(k)$:** Normalized number of occurrence of each tag, after resource r_i has k posts.
- Stability $m_i(\omega, k)$:** Average similarity of rfd 's within window $[k - \omega, k]$.
- Stable Point:** When stability score surpasses a threshold τ .
- Over-Tagging:** Posts given to resources that has passed stable point.
- Tag Quality:**
 - For resource r_i : $q_i(k)$ defined on stability score.
 - For resource set R : $q(R, \vec{k}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n q_i(k_i)$

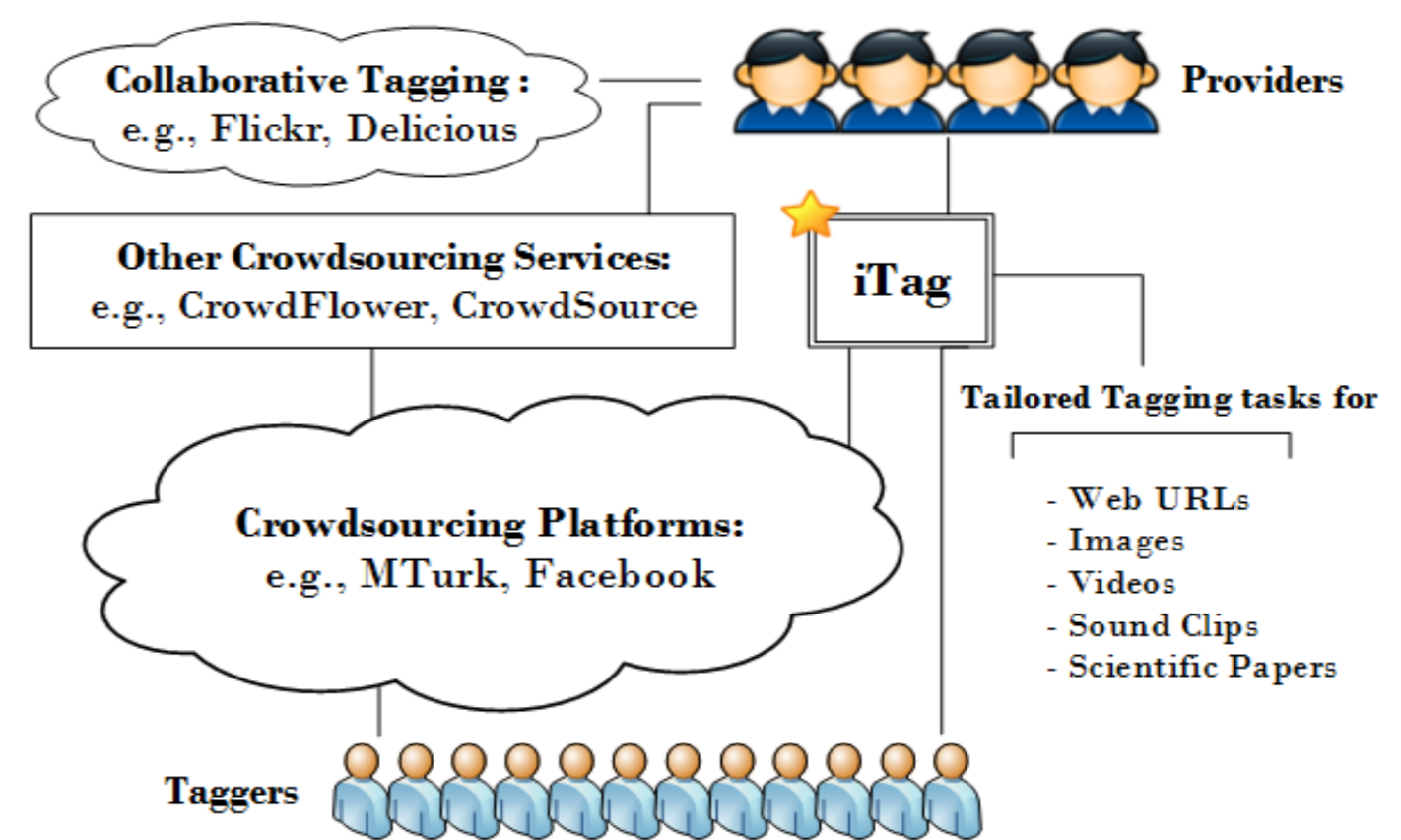
Incentive-Based Tagging

- Intuition:** Find the optimal ordering of the resources to achieve the best tagging quality.
- Input:** A set of tagged resources and budget.
- Output:** Incentive Allocation.
- Objective:** Maximize Tag Quality.
- Optimal Solution:**
 - Dynamic Programming
 - Need to know the posts in the future.



Reference: X. Yang, R. Cheng, L. Mo, B. Kao, and D. Cheung "On Incentive-Based Tagging," ICDE, 2013.

Overview

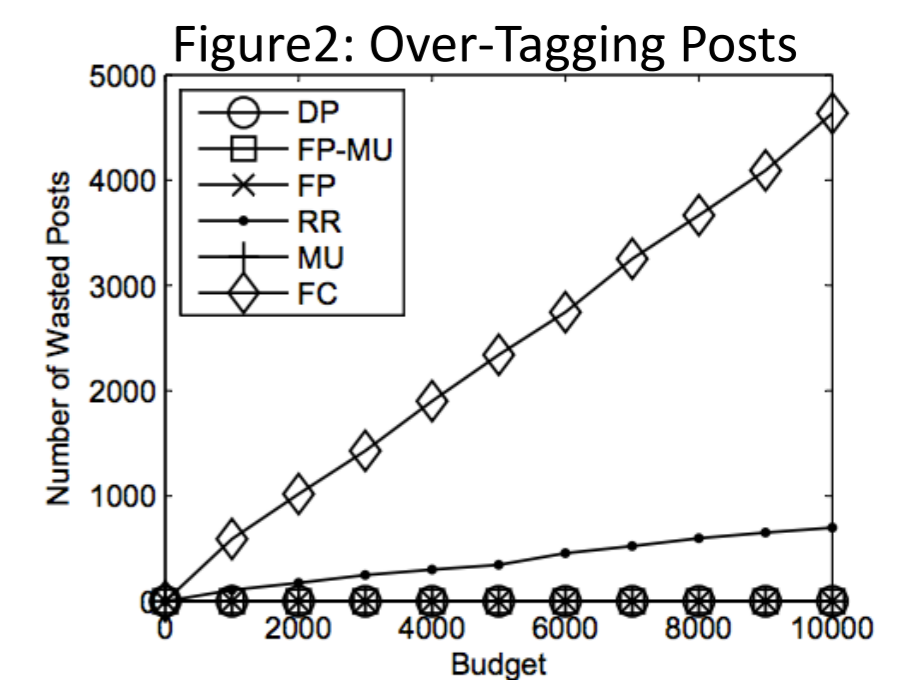
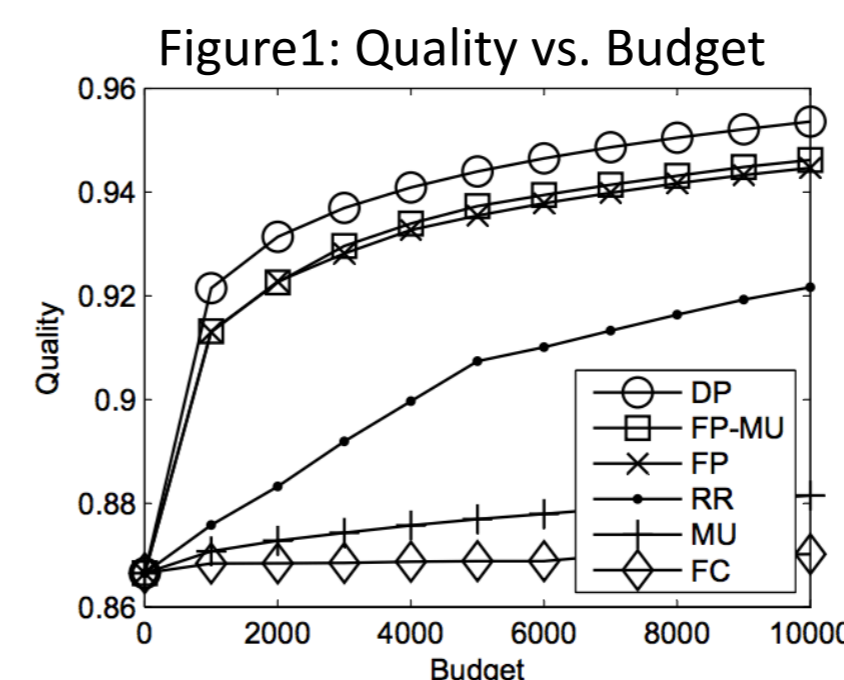


Incentive Allocation Strategies

- Random (R):** Randomly allocate resources to taggers to tag.
- Fewest Post First (FP):** Prioritize the under-tagged resources.
- Most Unstable First (MU):** Prioritize the most unstable resources ; window size ω .
- Hybrid (FP-MU):** FP first, switch to MU when each resource has ω posts.

Results

- Dataset:** 5000 urls and their posts from *del.icio.us*



- FP & FP-MU close to optimal; FC hardly increases the quality.
- 50% of the posts by FC are over-tagging.

Conclusion: iTag can significantly improve tag data quality for providers with the least amount of money.

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