



BEHAVIORAL DATA ANALYSIS AND ITS APPLICATIONS FOR COMPUTATIONAL JOURNALISM









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OVERVIEW



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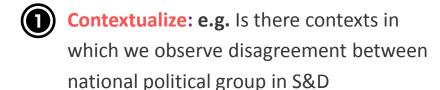
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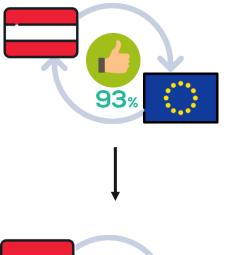
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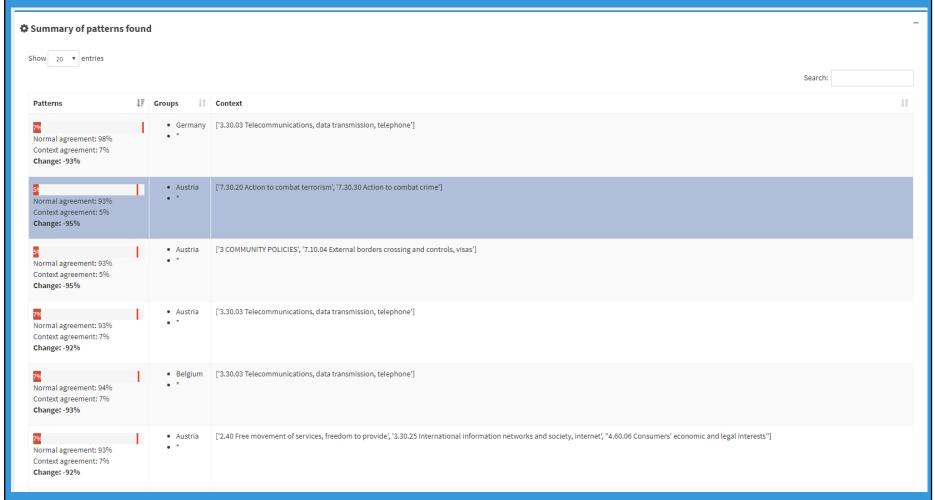
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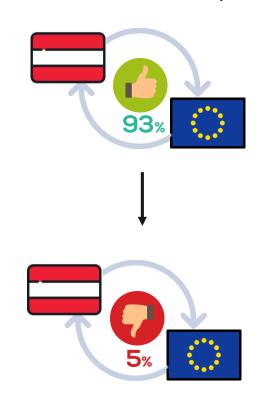




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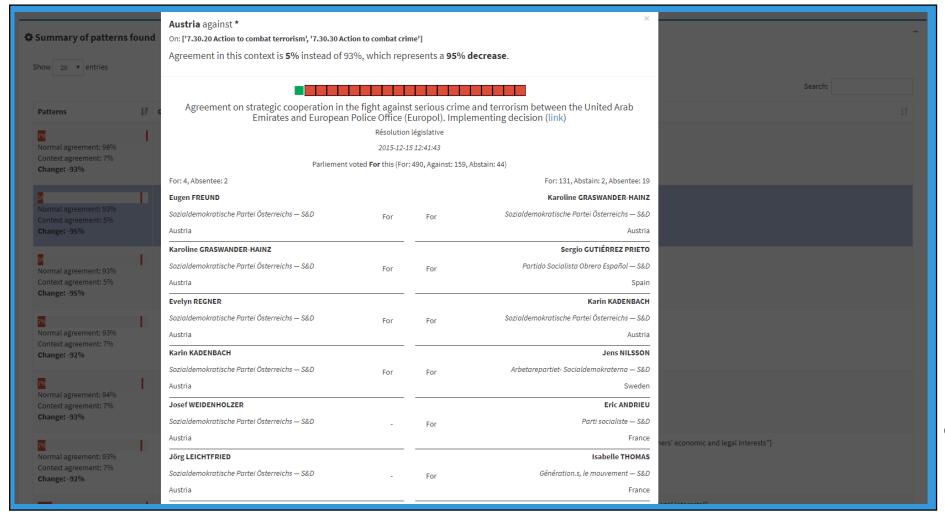


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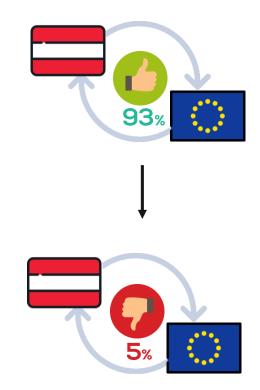




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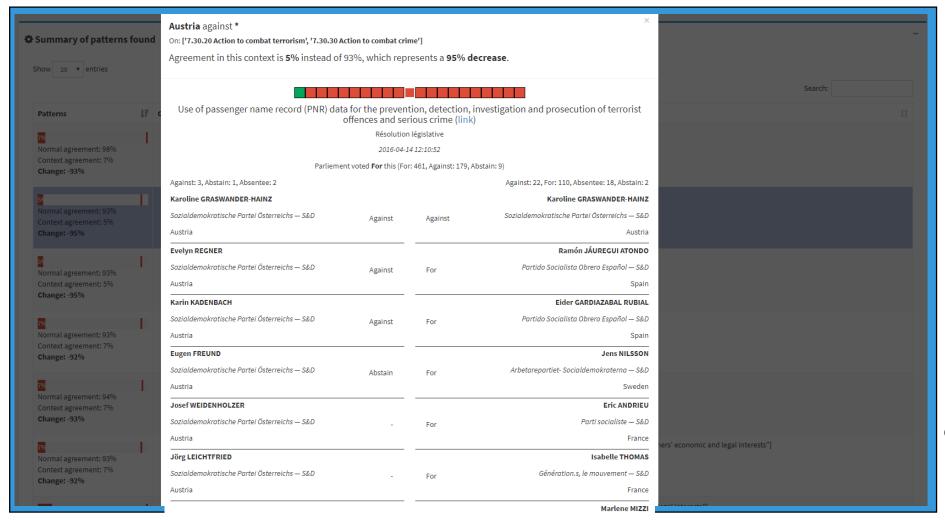


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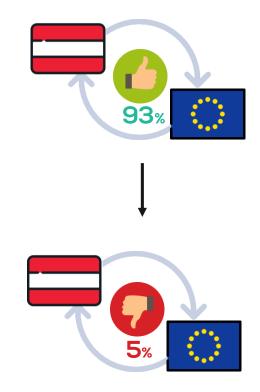




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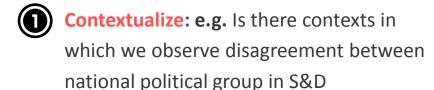
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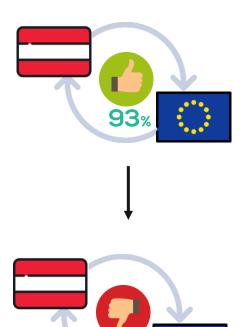
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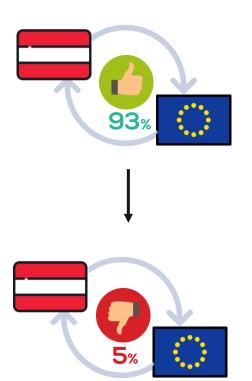
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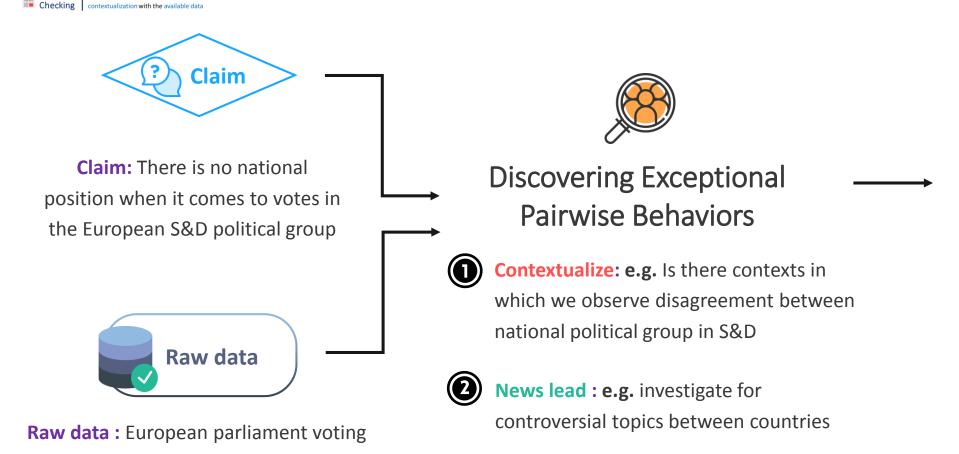
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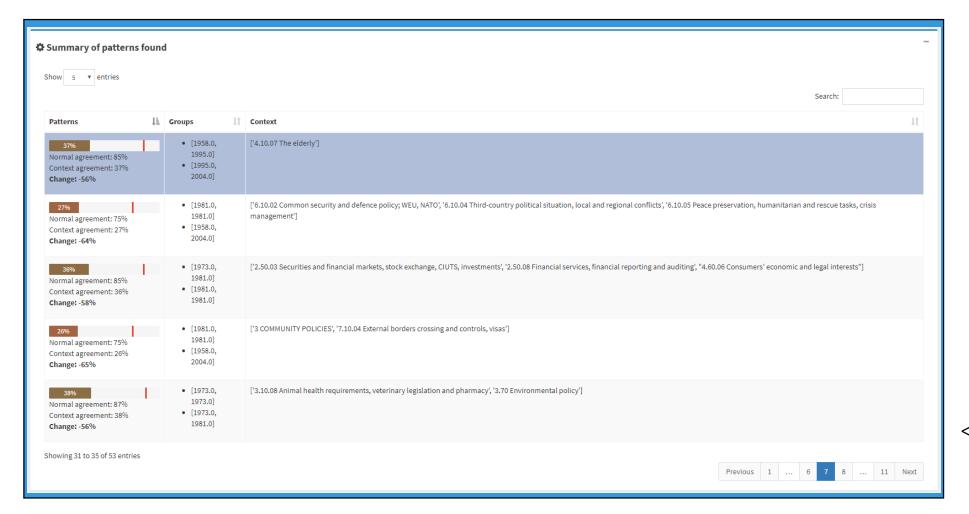


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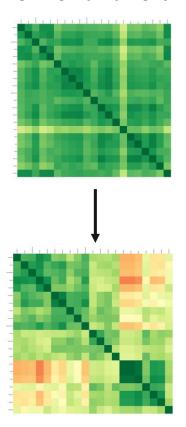
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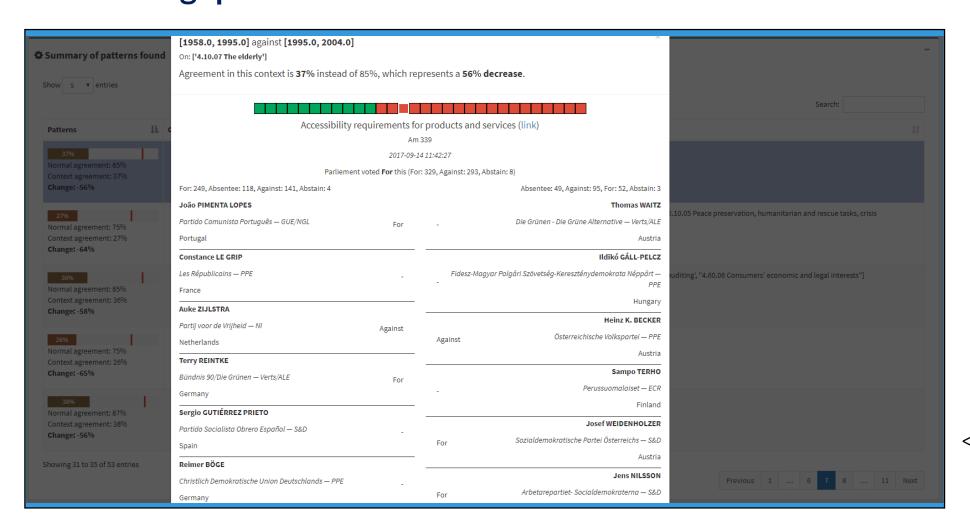
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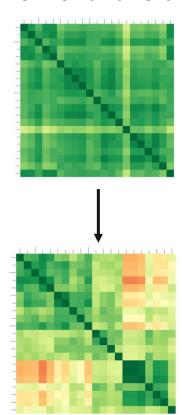
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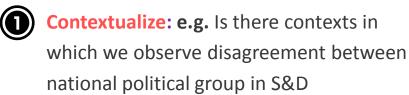
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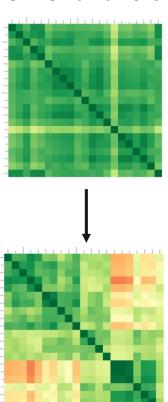


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LET'S

DEMONSTRATION

PRACTICE

Behaviors Comparison Claims covers any statement that report a comparison of behavior between two observed individuals/groups/populations ...



- German and French S&D representatives shares the same political Claim 1 line in most of the subjects discussed in the European union.
- Claim 2 The majority of the French far-right party (Front National) deputies vote always the same as their political leader Marine Le Pen (MLP).
- There is no national position when it comes to votes of European Claim 3 Political Groups (Greens, S&D ...).
- The far-right French national party is often in disagreement with the far-left Front Claim 4 de Gauche party in the European Parliament.
- What are the controversial topics between countries (French national Parties ...) in Lead 1 the European parliament

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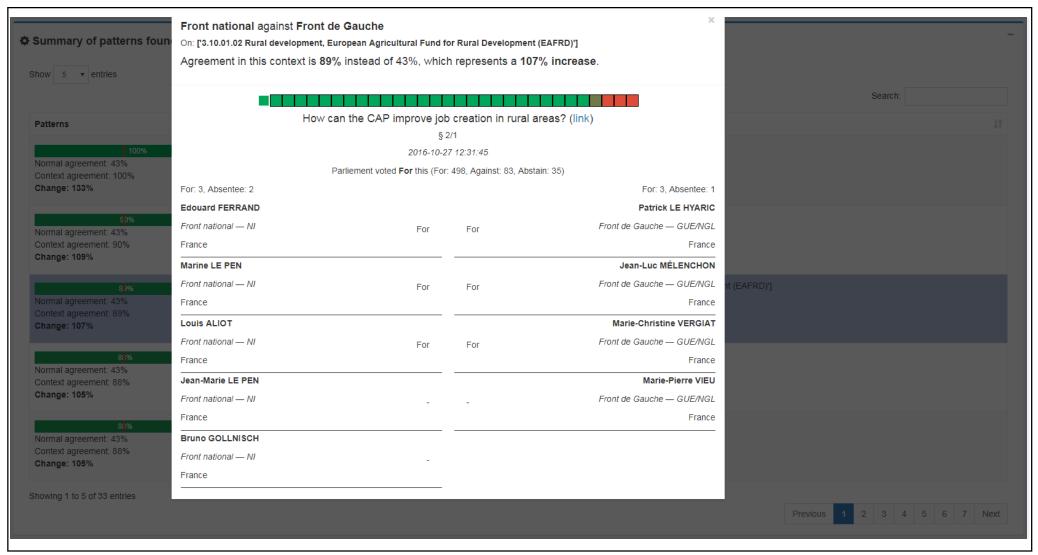
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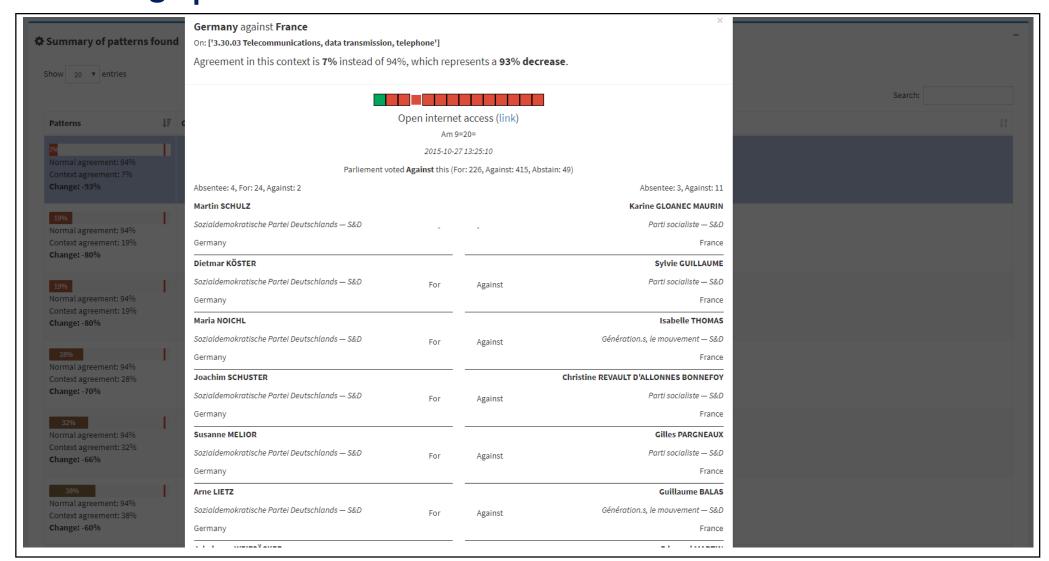
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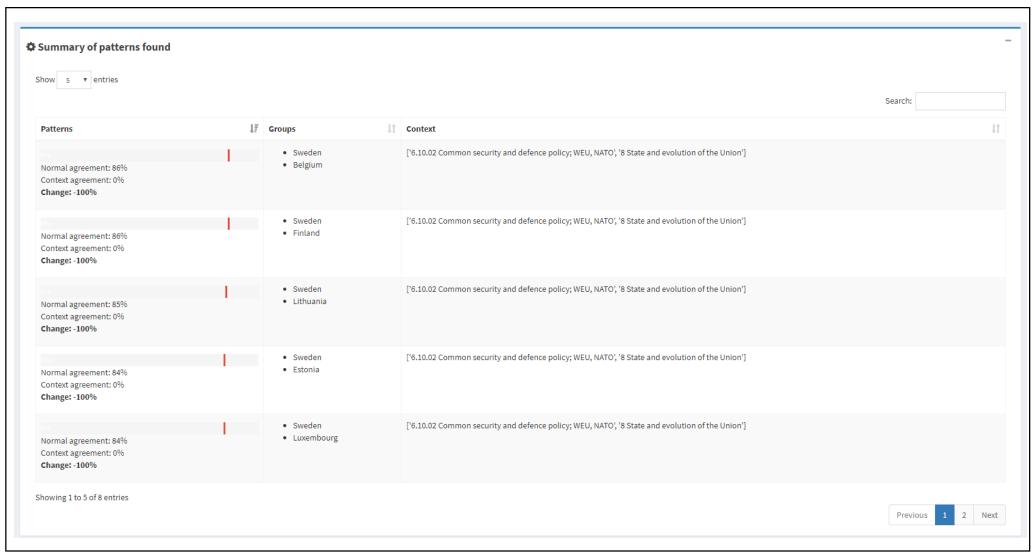


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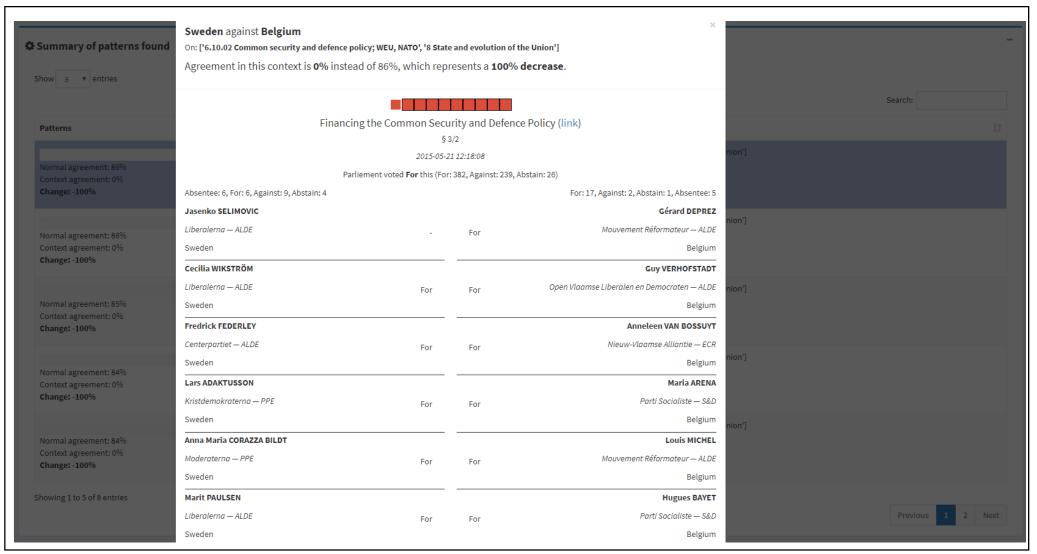


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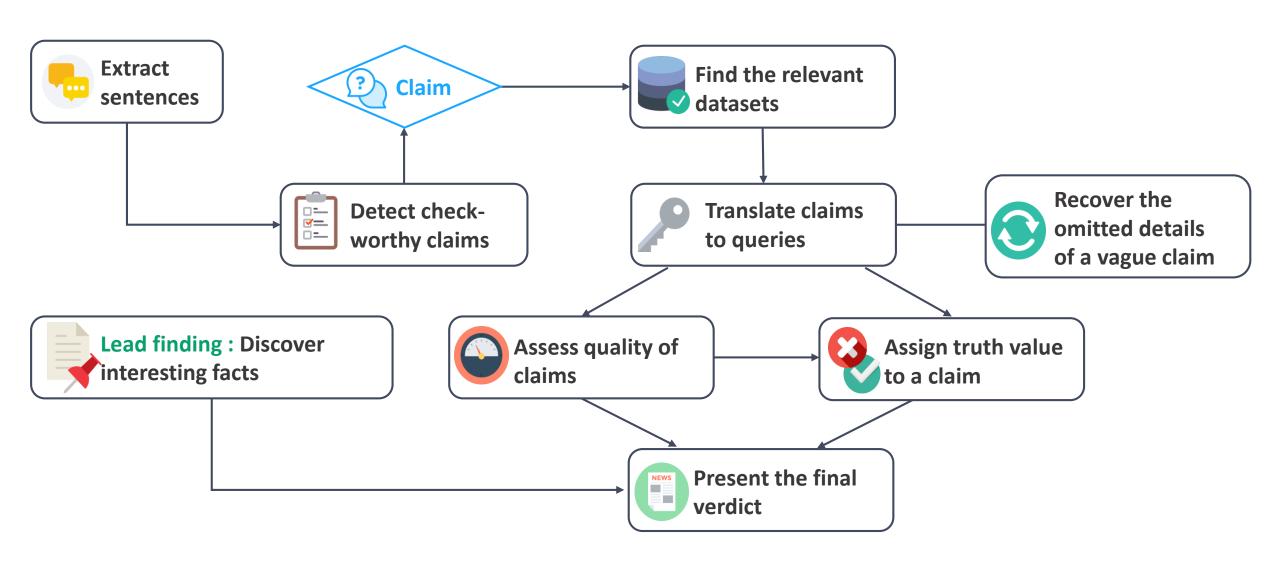


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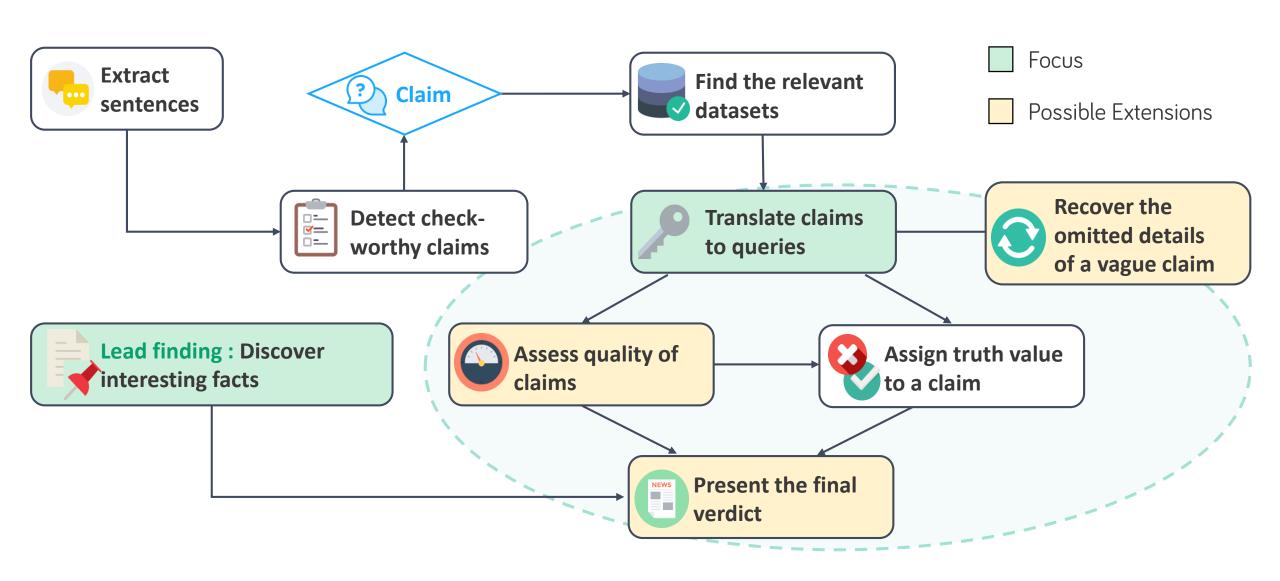
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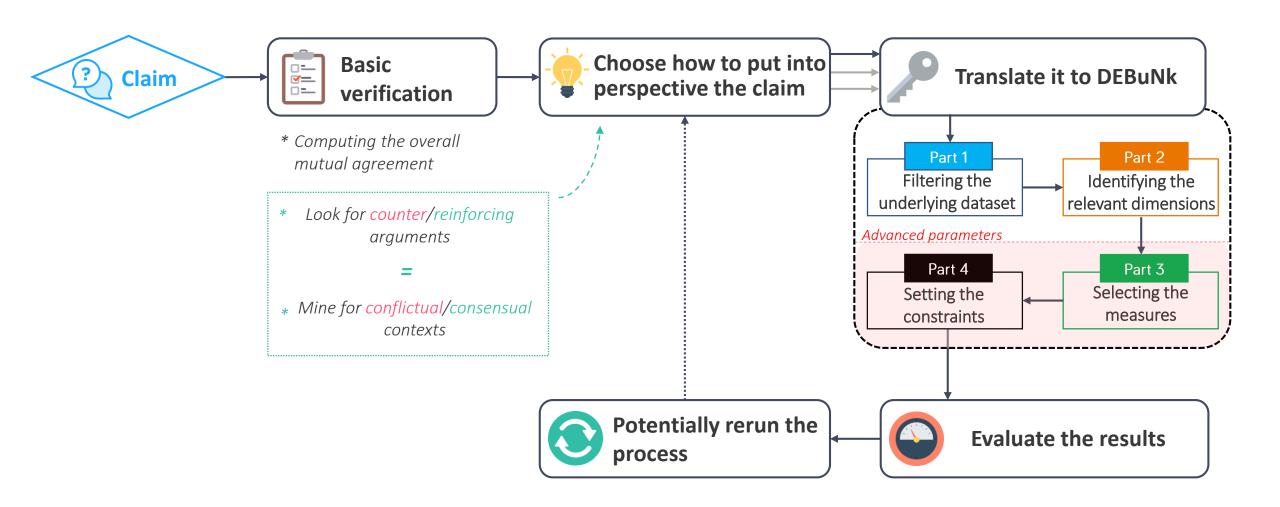
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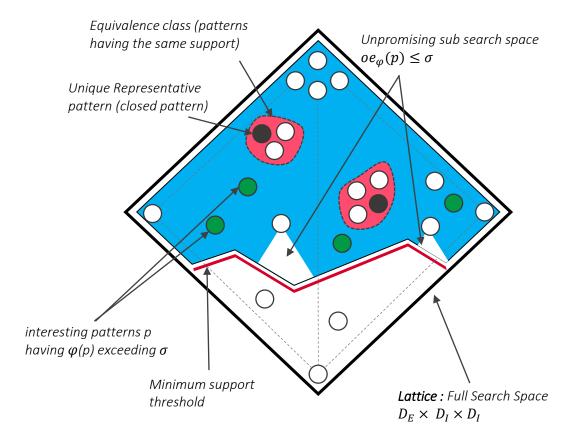
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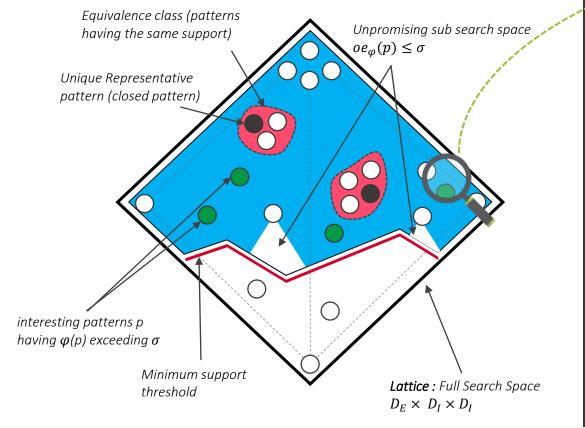
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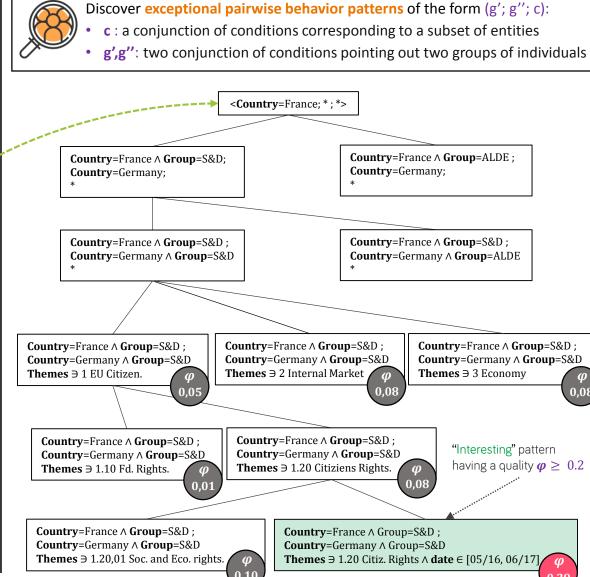
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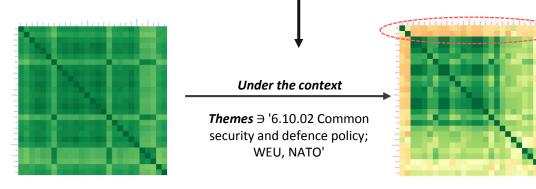


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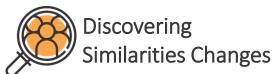
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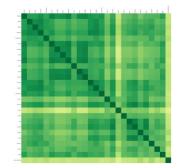


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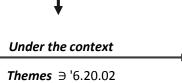
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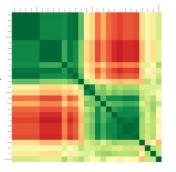




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