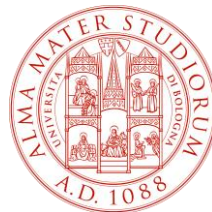


# GOLAM: A framework for Analyzing Genomic Data

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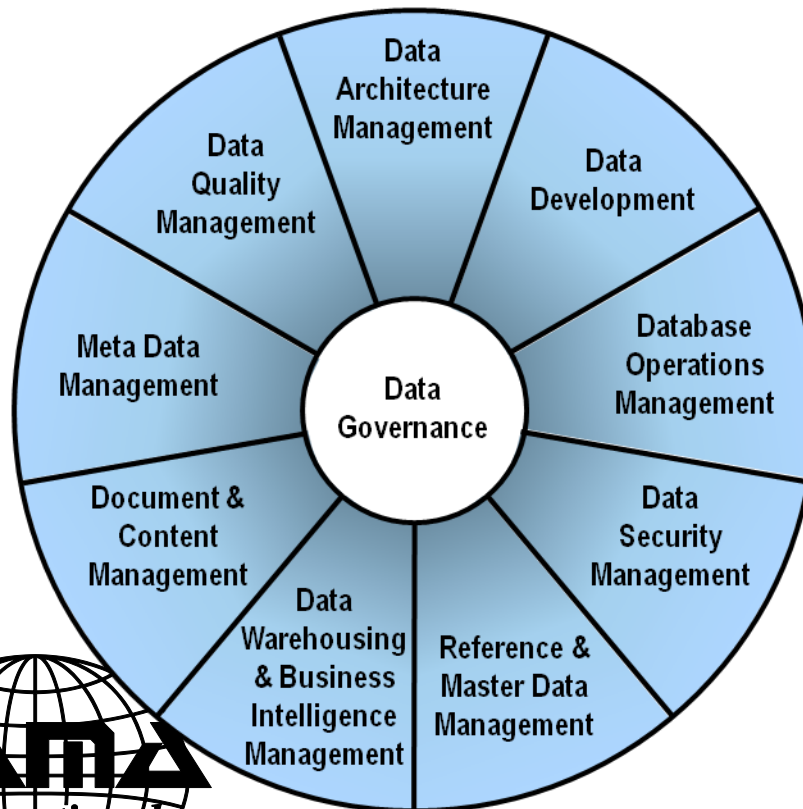


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# Dealing with Genomic Data

- Genomic challenges: from sequencing to data management
  - ✓ Bioinformatics challenges are moving towards storage, retrieval, security, and presentation of genomic information

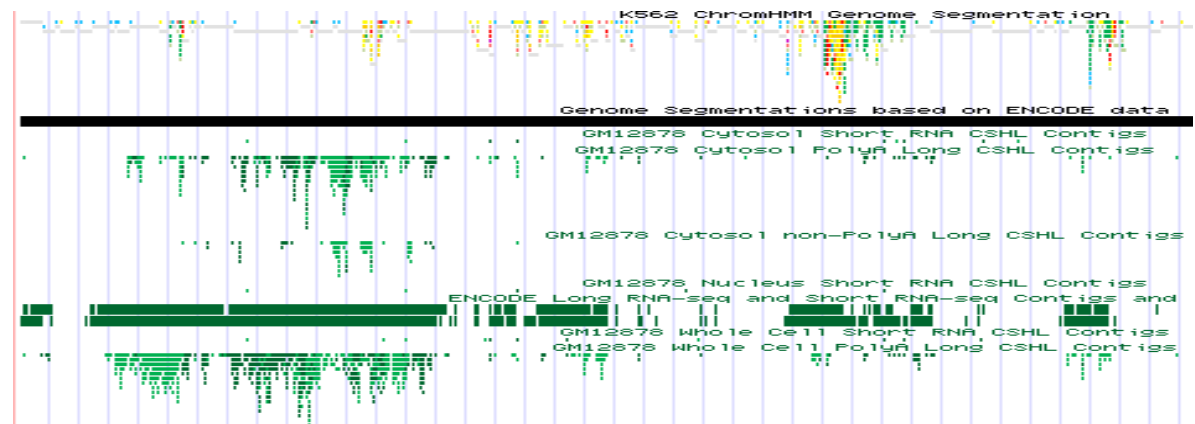


**Sequencing  
is not  
enough!**



# Genomic Analytics Challenges

- Ad hoc (vertical) applications supporting specific biological questions
- Laboratories and Biologists frequently undertake analytical tools development in-house
- Genomic browsers are effective when analyzing detailed data but fall short when analyzing aggregated data

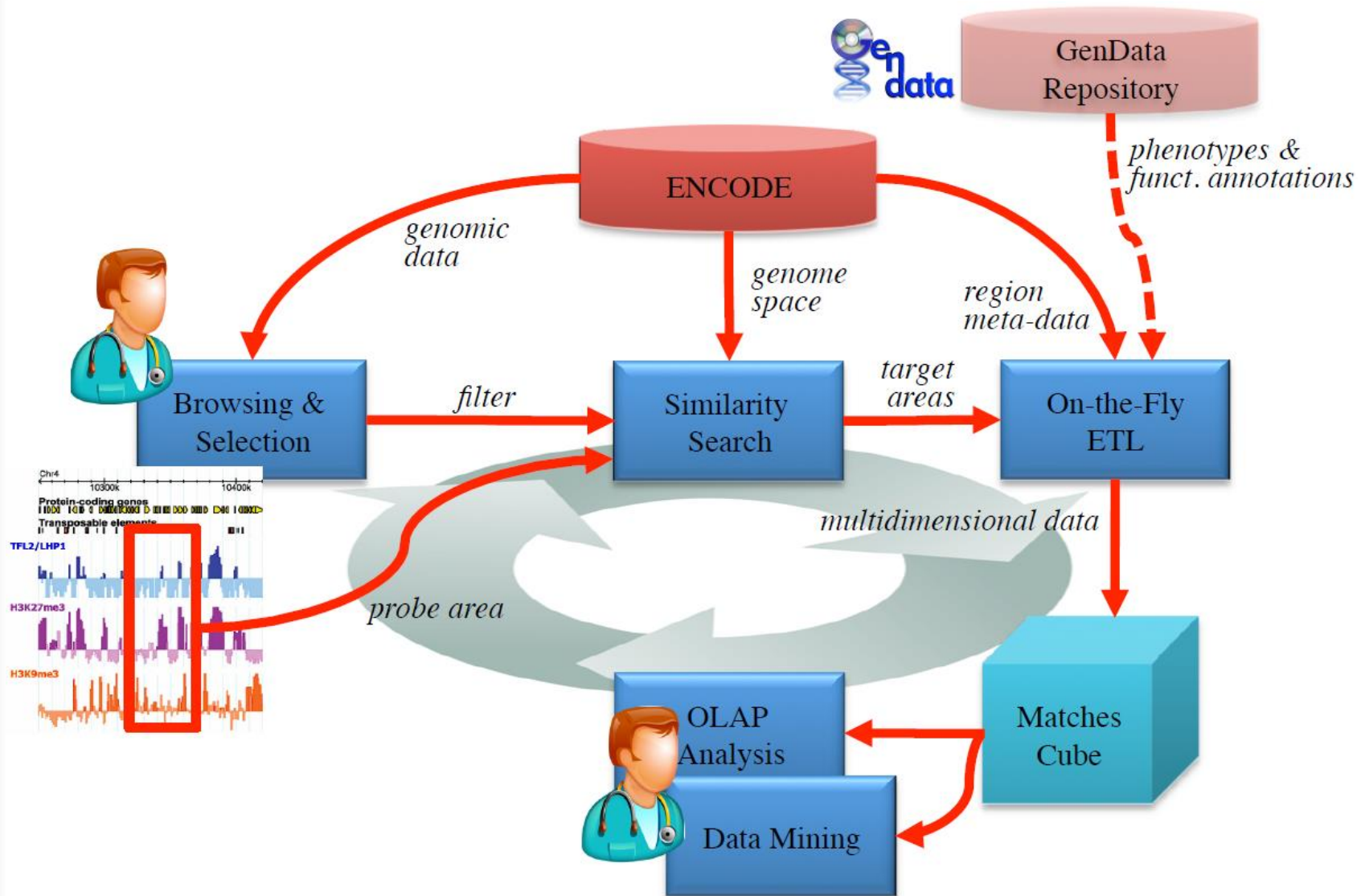




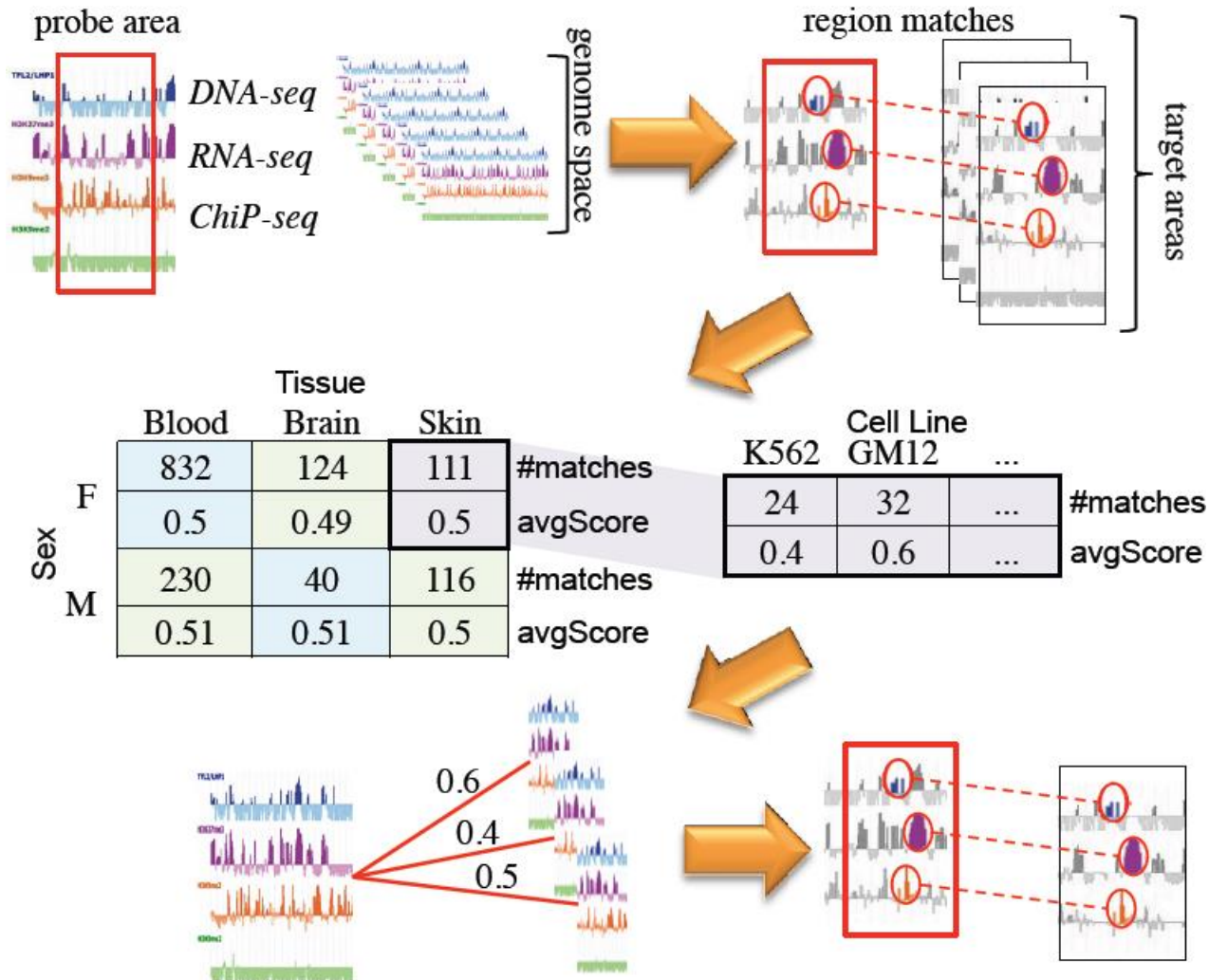
# GOLAM: Genomic OLAM

- is a framework for OLAP analysis and mining
- helps biologists in overcoming the rigidity of genome analysis methods
- automates and speeds up analysis sessions and introduces a multi-resolution view of the data
- addresses the issue of loading data to the cube “On-the-Fly”

# The GOLAM Framework



# Genomic OLAP



# Genomic OLAP

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Cubes: Matches (Synthetic Data)

Dimensions:

- Iteration
- Probe Region
- Probe Region Antibody
- Probe Region Chr
- Probe Region Karyotype
- Probe Region Sex
- Probe Region Tissue
- Target Area
- Target Region
- Target Region Antibody
- Target Region Chr
- Target Region Karyotype
- Target Region Sex
- Target Region Tissue

Measures:

- Measures
  - Sum Score
  - Min Score

Columns: Tissue

Rows: Sex, Count Area, Avg Score

Filter:

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Sex	MeasuresLevel	blood	brain	breast	heart	liver	lung	mammary	neurons	pancreas	skin
F	Count Area	832	124	67	20			19			111
	Avg Score	0.5	0.49	0.49	0.5			0.5			0.5
M	Count Area	230	40			199	89		8	12	116
	Avg Score	0.51	0.51			0.5	0.5		0.48	0.52	0.5

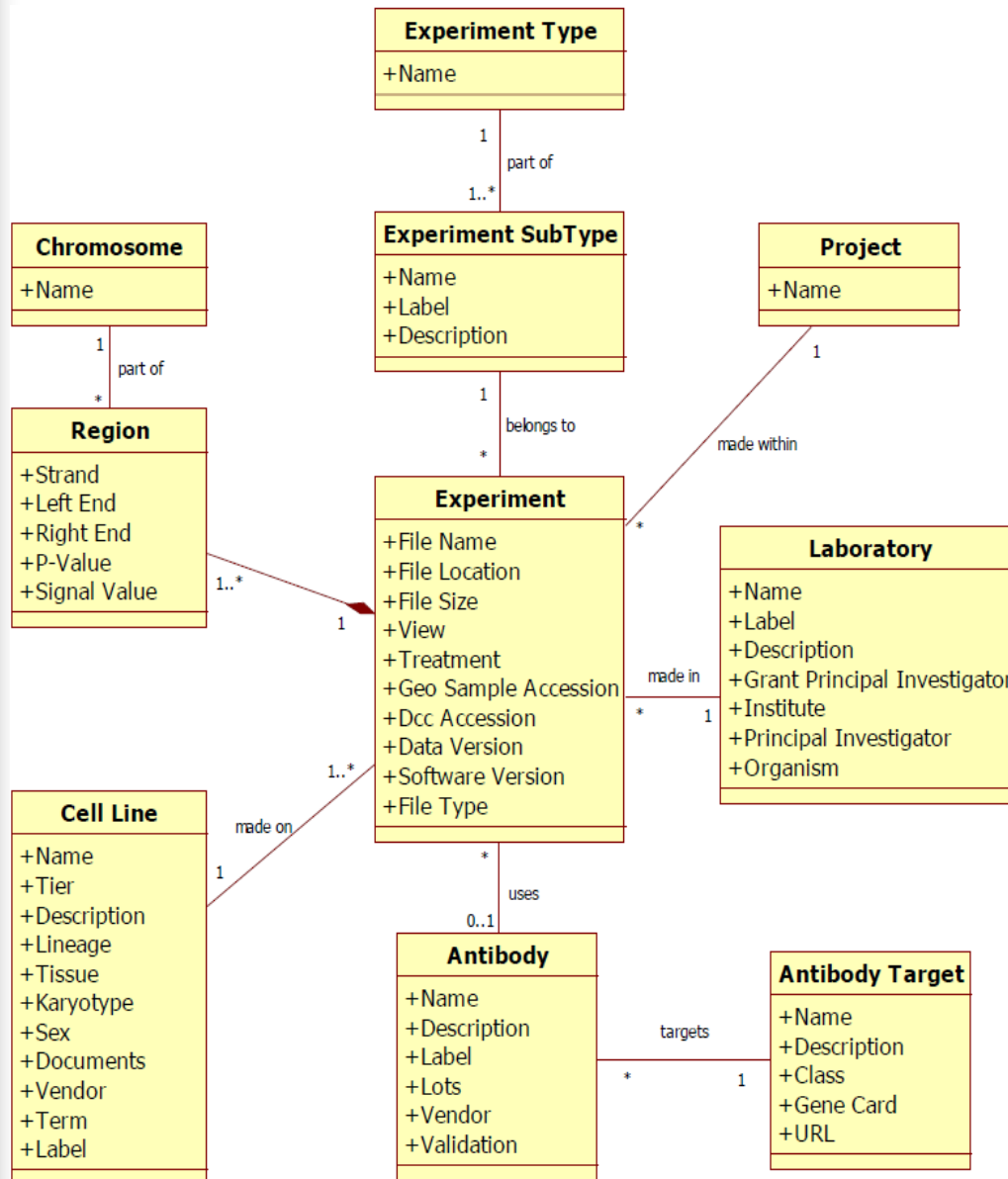




# Research Challenges

- Genomic data modeling
- Schemaless data structure to deal with
  - ✓ Metastars
- Non-traditional data sources
  - ✓ Files
  - ✓ Ontologies
  - ✓ Big Data

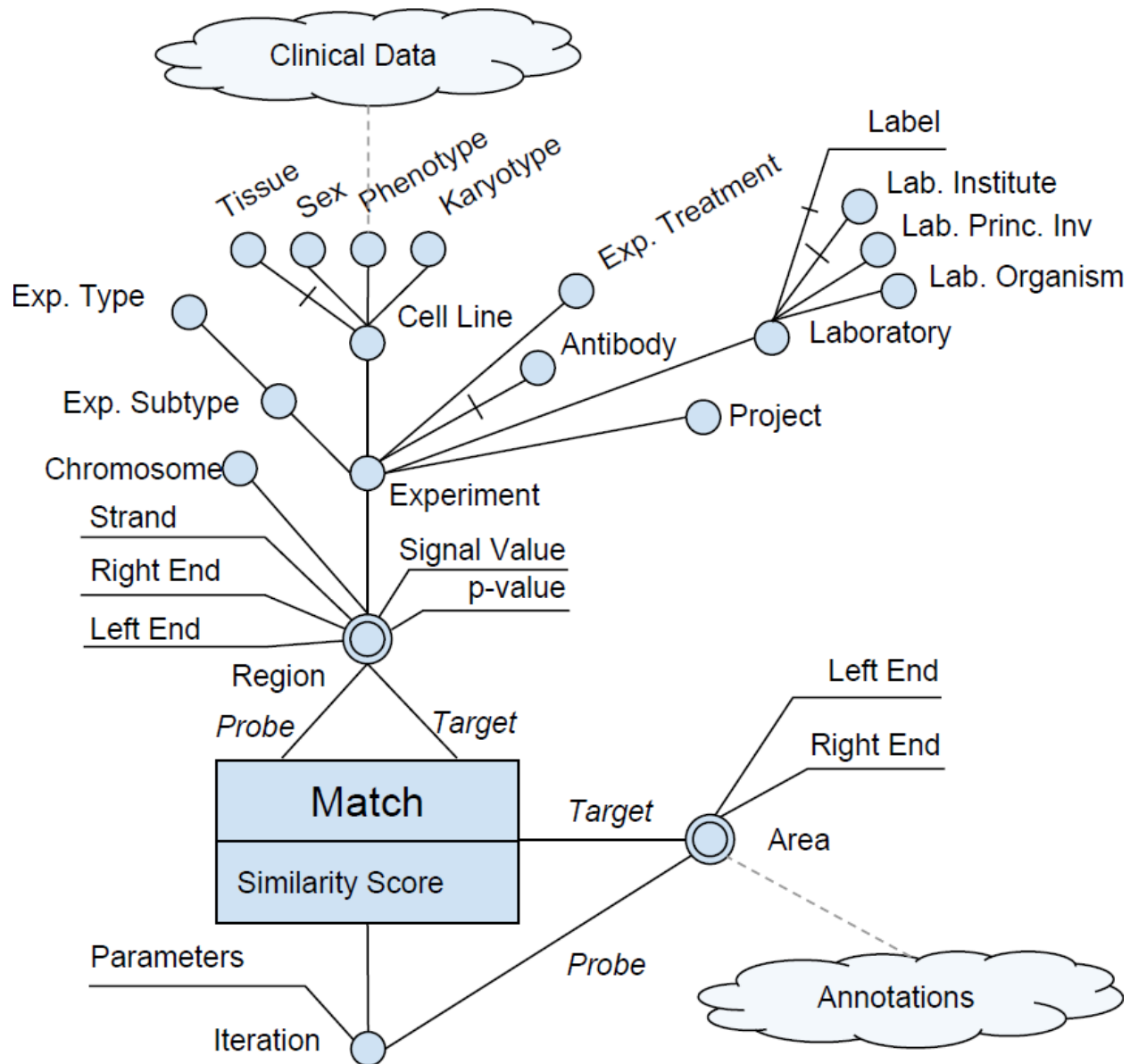
# ENCODE data model



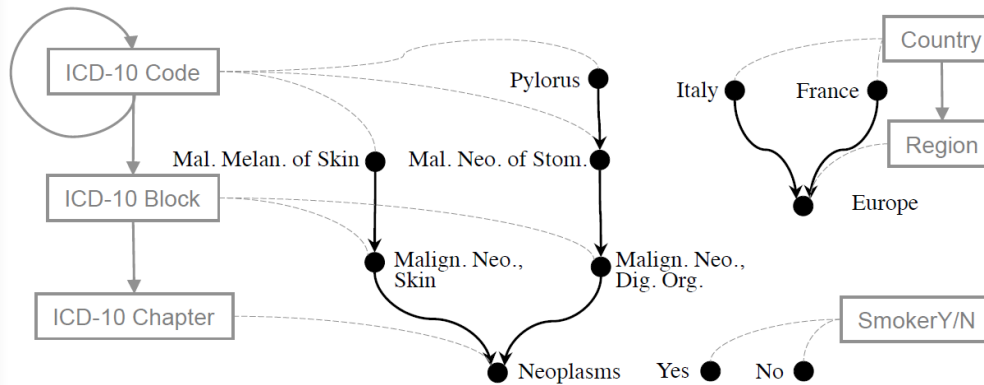
**ENCODE** is the *Encyclopedia of DNA Elements* publicly available and recognized to be the standard repository for genomic data and functional elements.

- **Cell Line:** is the biological sample on which an experiment is carried out.
- **Experiment:** is a single analysis on a cell in a laboratory.
- **Region:** is a segment of an experiment. It holds biological functional information.

# Multidimensional Schema



# Metastars



**Metastars** use meta-modelling coupled with traditional dimension tables to support non-onto, non-covering, and non-strict hierarchies.

By employing Metastars we are able to **model hierarchies** whenever the schema is **dynamic or missing**.

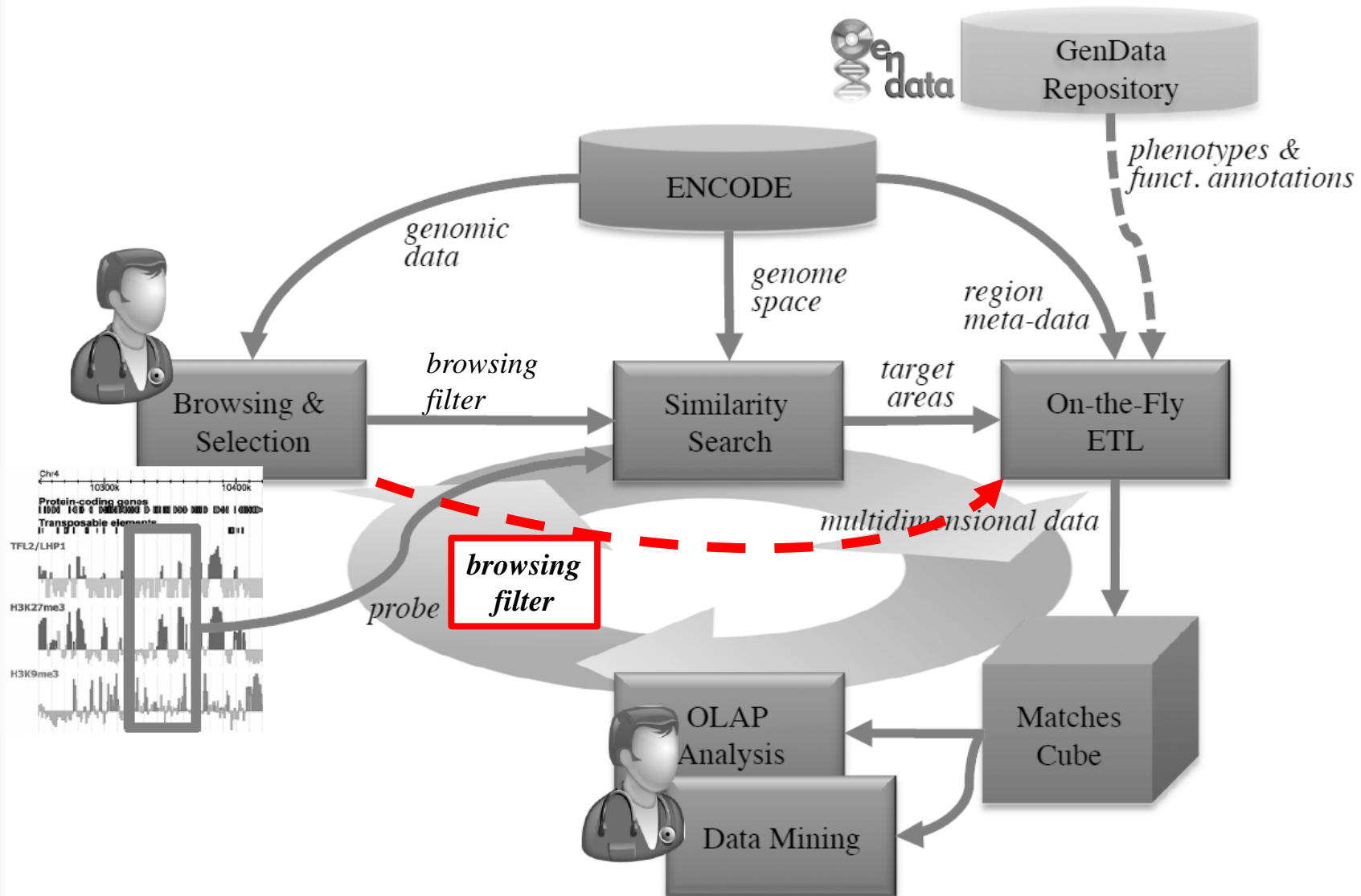
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IdT	Value	Level
1	Yes	SmokerY/N
2	No	SmokerY/N
3	Italy	Country
4	France	Country
5	Europe	Region
6	Neoplasms	ICD-10 Chapter
7	Mal. Neo., Skin	ICD-10 Block
8	Mal. Neo., Dig. Org.	ICD-10 Block
9	Mal. Melan. of Skin	ICD-10 Code
10	Mal. Neo. of Stom.	ICD-10 Code
11	Pylorus	ICD-10 Code

ROLLUP\_T

ChildId	FatherId
1	1
2	2
...	...
3	5
4	5
7	6
8	6
9	7
10	8
11	10
9	6
10	6
11	8
11	6

# On-The-Fly ETL





# ETL Tests

- ENCODE counts a number of experiment files in the range of 25K, leading to **over a billion instances in the region dimension**
- The number of matches might count **over 300K events for each analysis session**
- Our preliminary tests aim at evaluating the On-the-Fly ETL from the efficiency point of view
  - ✓ The “eager” approach is compared vs. the approach that loads the matching genome space only
  - ✓ Tractability threshold is set afterwards

# ETL Tests

- A probe area composed of 50 regions and 3 different genome spaces
  - ✓ Test 1 ( $T1$ ) consisting of 740K regions
  - ✓ Test 2 ( $T2$ ) consisting of 4.42M regions
  - ✓ Test 3 ( $T3$ ) consisting of 54.5M regions

Table 1: Genome spaces and matching genome spaces for tests

	Genome space		Matching genome space	
	# files	# regions	# files	# regions
$T1$	9	$\approx 7.4 \times 10^5$	3	$\approx 1.4 \times 10^5$
$T2$	47	$\approx 4.4 \times 10^6$	12	$\approx 9.7 \times 10^5$
$T3$	783	$\approx 5.4 \times 10^7$	69	$\approx 5.8 \times 10^6$

Table 2: ETL performance (in seconds)

	Genome space	Matching genome space
	$T1$	185
$T2$	1121	246
$T3$	13128	1492

- The tractability threshold can be reasonably set to 50 ENCODE files



# Discussion

- With GOLAM we took a first step towards overcoming current limitations of genome analysis methods
  - ✓ Analysis session has been automated and speeded up
  - ✓ More analysis flexibility has been introduced
- We proved that ETL processes can be integrated within the analysis session in order to improve efficiency in those DW applications employed in non-traditional domains
  - ✓ big data
  - ✓ scientific data storage
  - ✓ open linked data
  - ✓ etc.

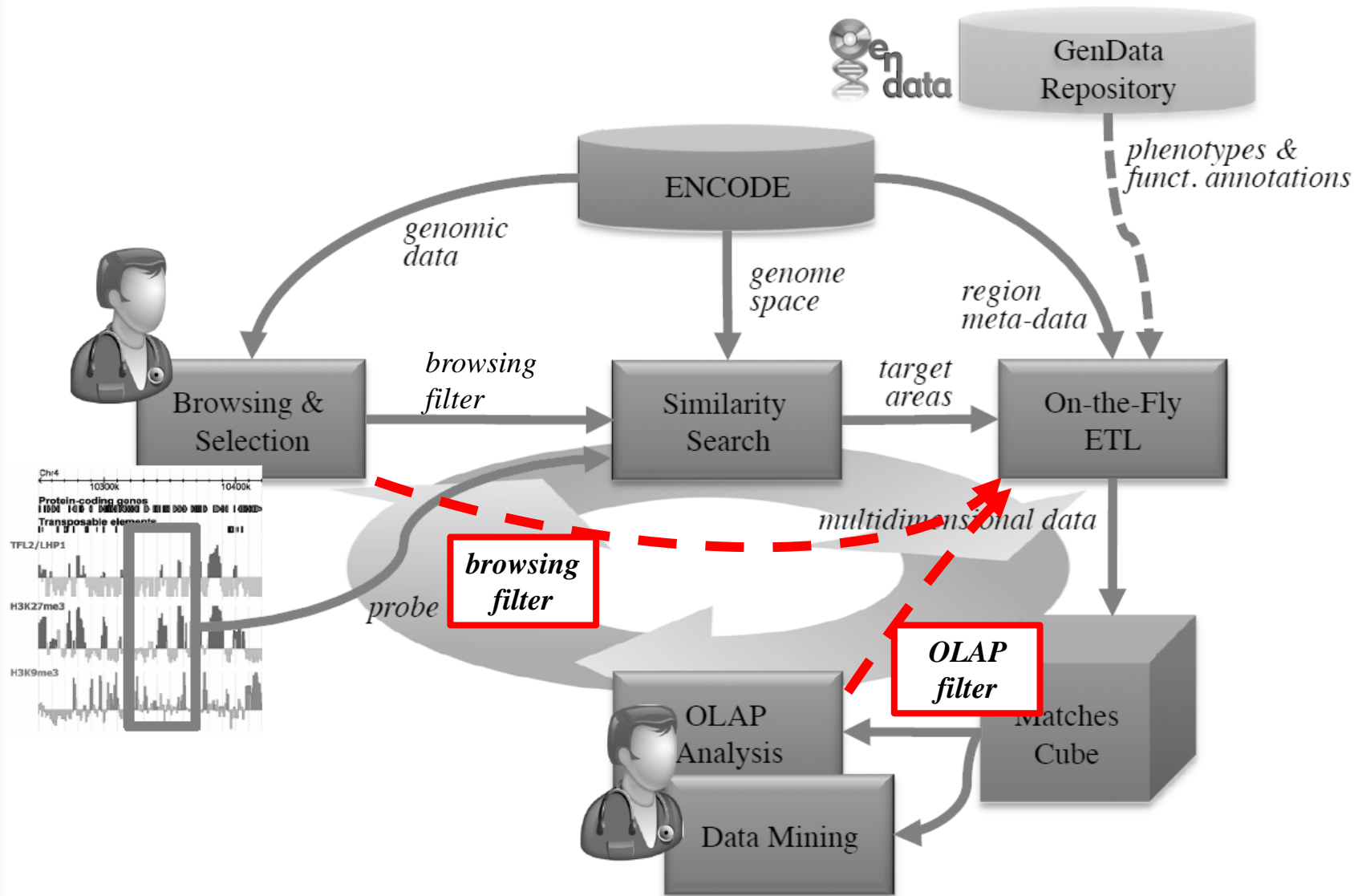




# (Not so) Future work

- On-the-Fly ETL can be further pushed so to be framed within the OLAP session itself. In this manner interesting data (according to the user) might be loaded into the cube
  - ✓ Multidimensional indexing and new dice operators must be employed by the ETL processes
  - ✓ Source data extraction must be done according to a cost function that considers many facets of optimization (e.g. time, cost, etc.)
- Approximate results could be provided in order to improve the overall session's responsiveness
  - ✓ ETL should be integrated and designed so that it gather data as a stream and exposes partial results to the user

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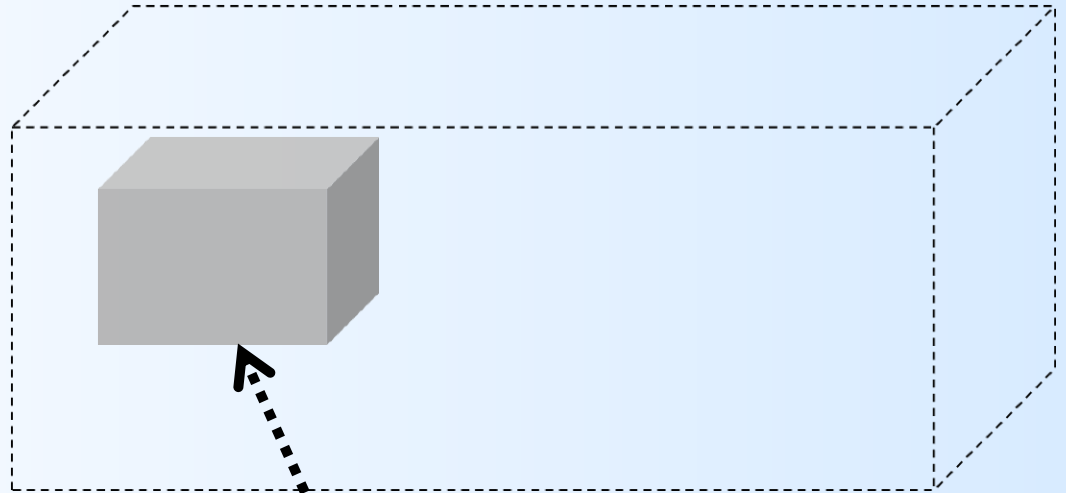
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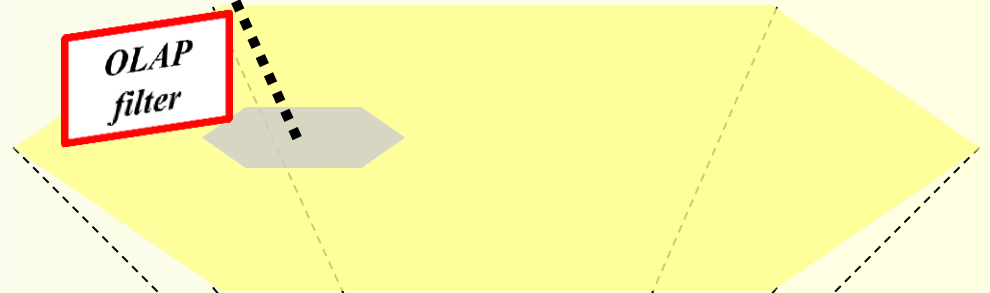


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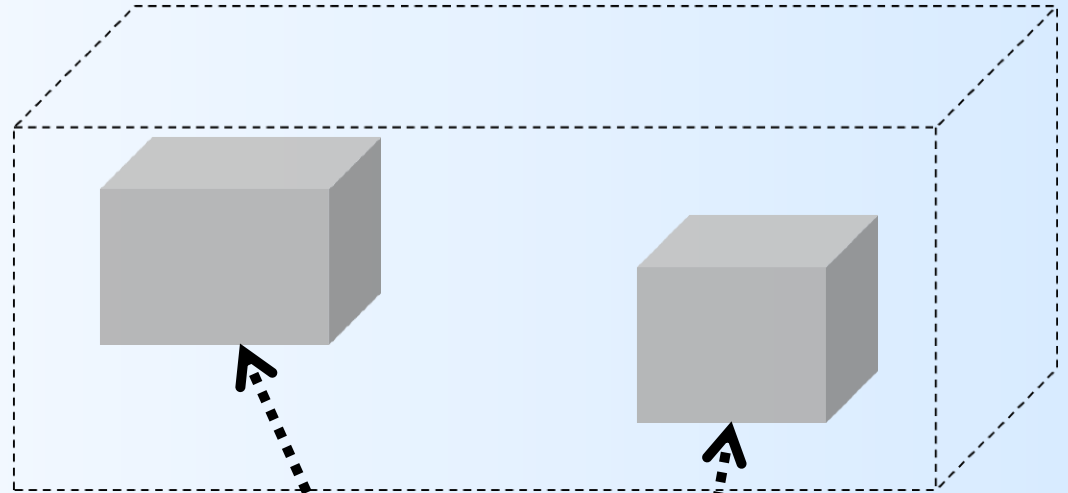


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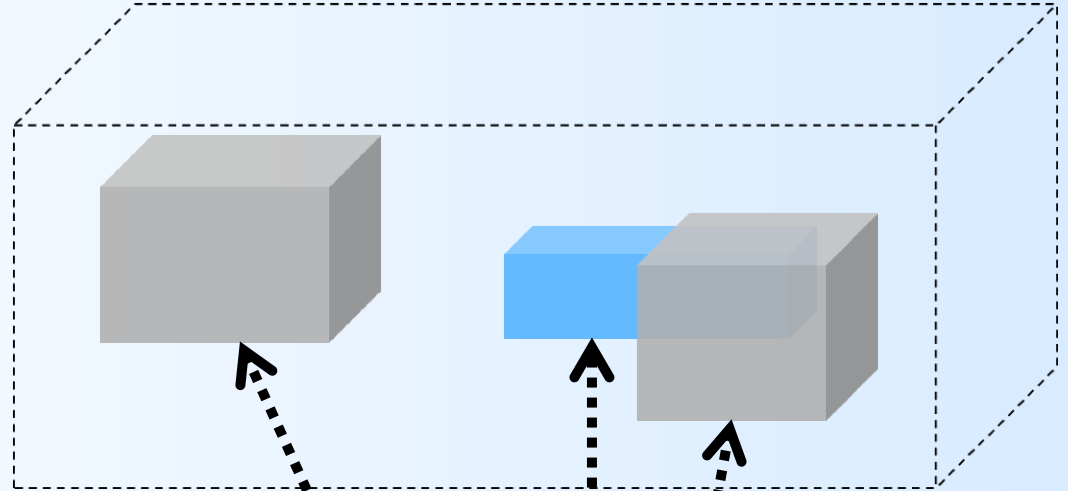


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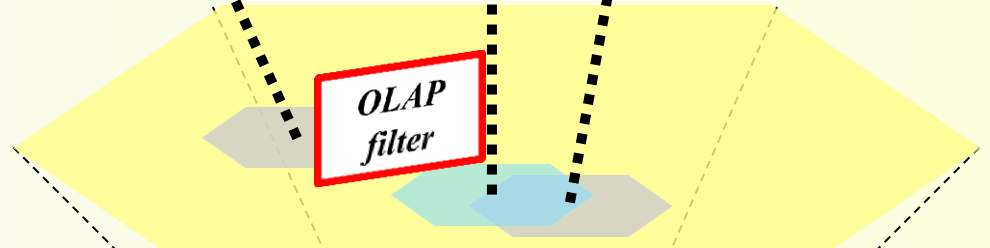


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**...questions time...**