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tnGPS

Discovering Unknown Tensor Network Structure Search Algorithms via Large Language Models (LLMs)

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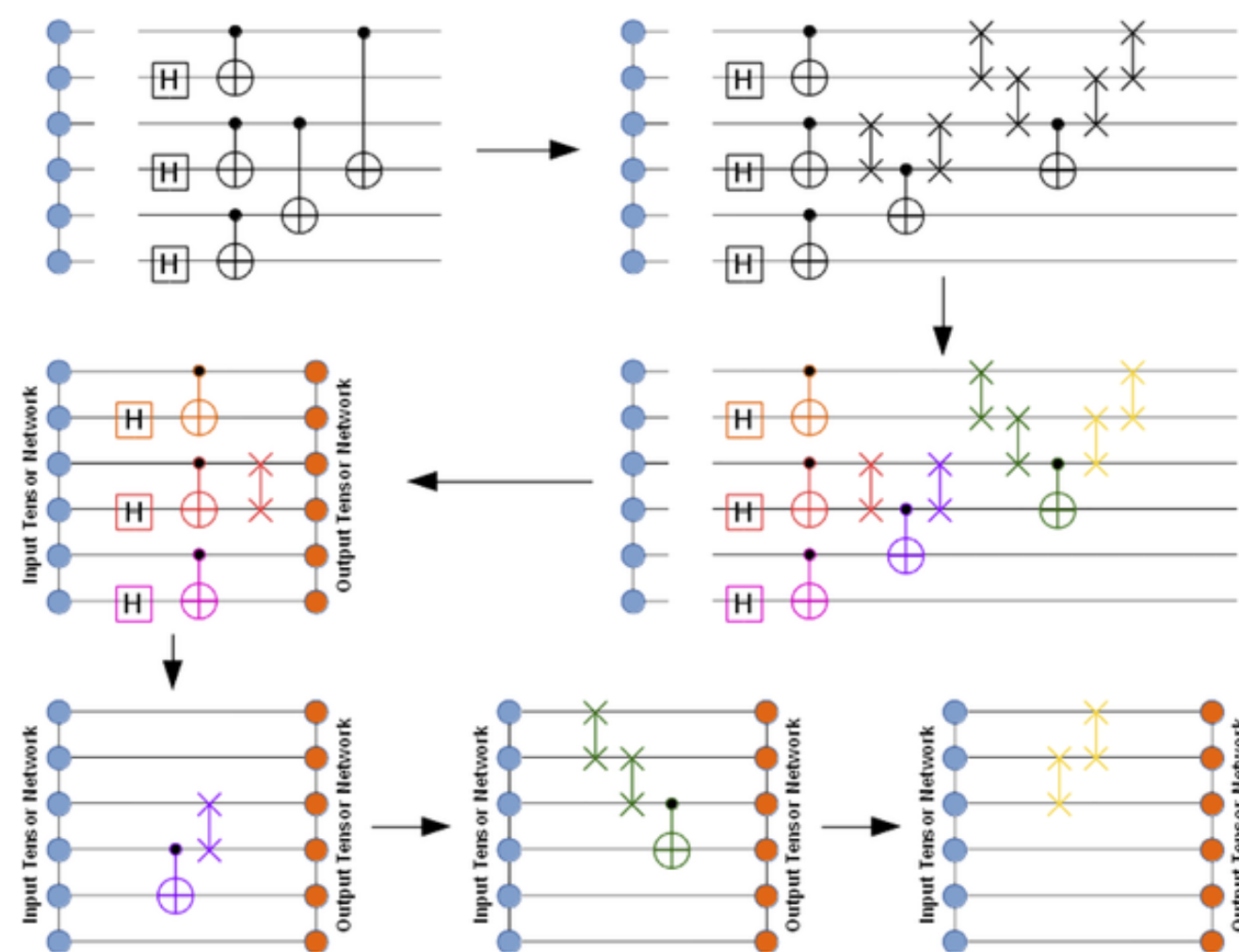
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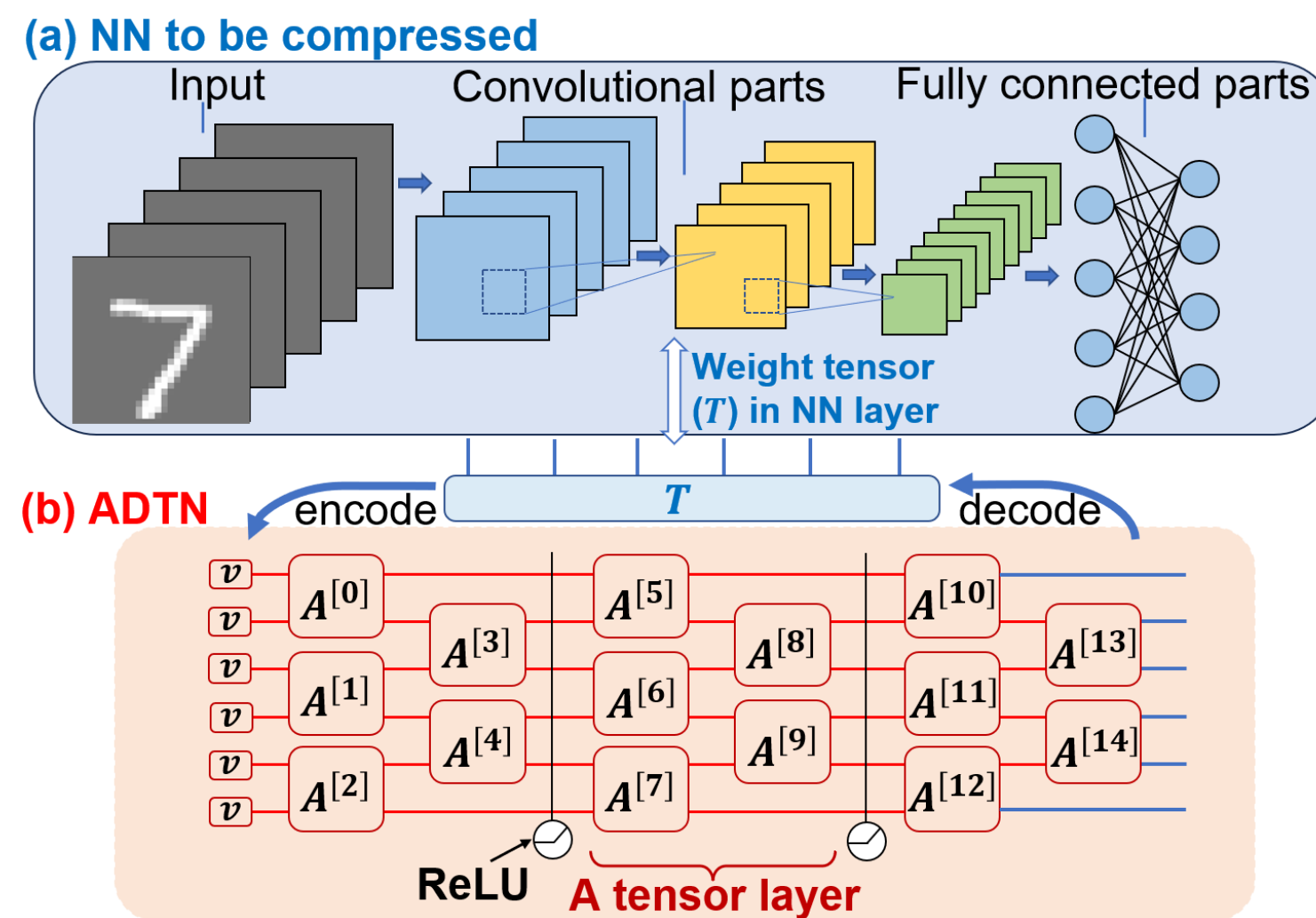
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Applications of Tensor Networks (TNs)

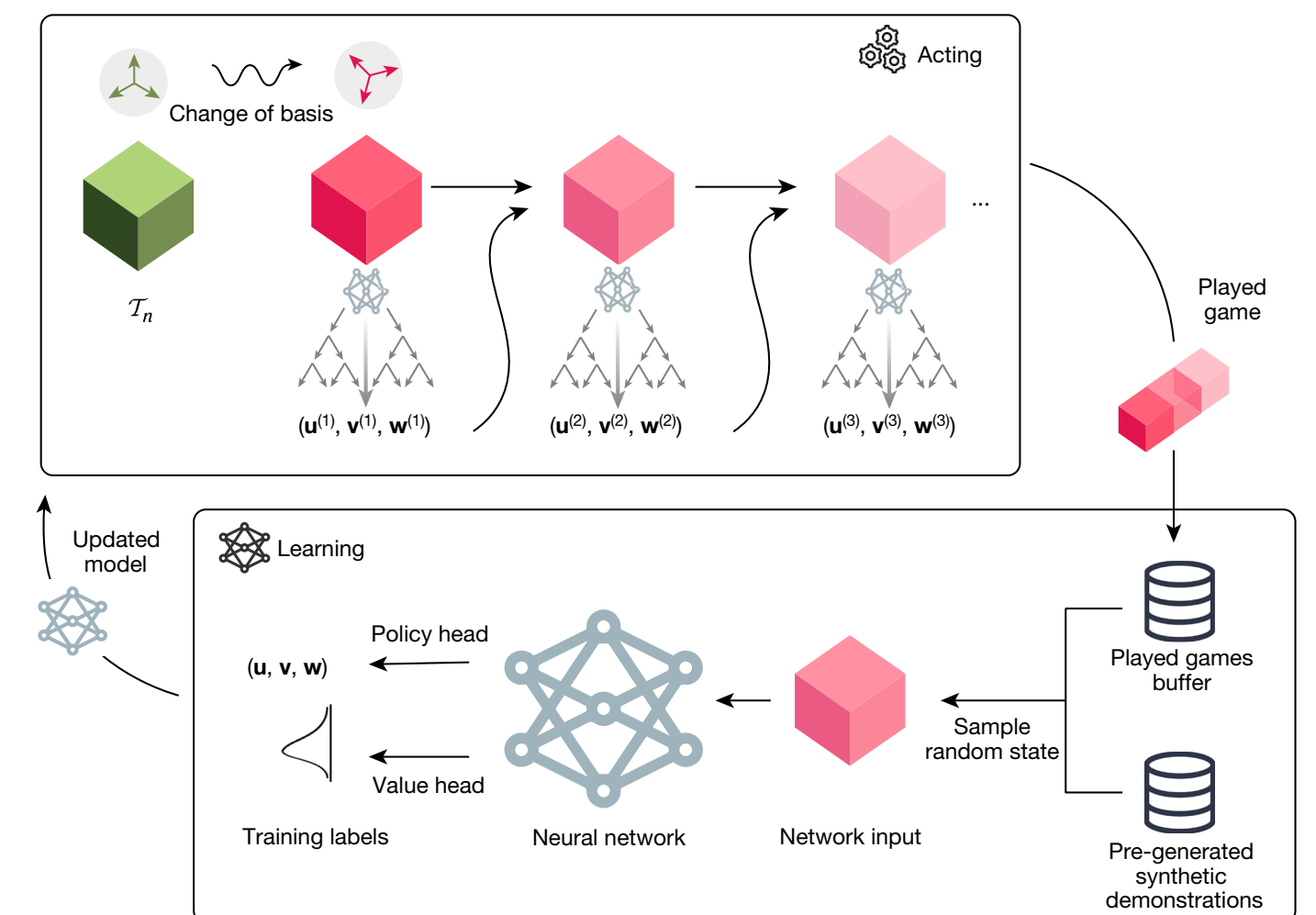
TN is an efficient framework for **modeling complex systems** by **decomposing it into** simpler, interconnected parts.



State representation in quantum physics



Model representation in machine learning



Discovering faster **matrix multiplication**
(AlphaTensor, Fawzi et al., Nature'22)

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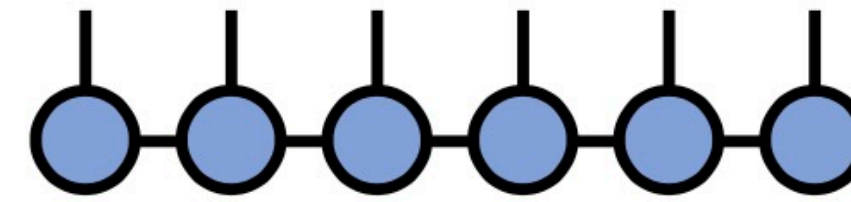
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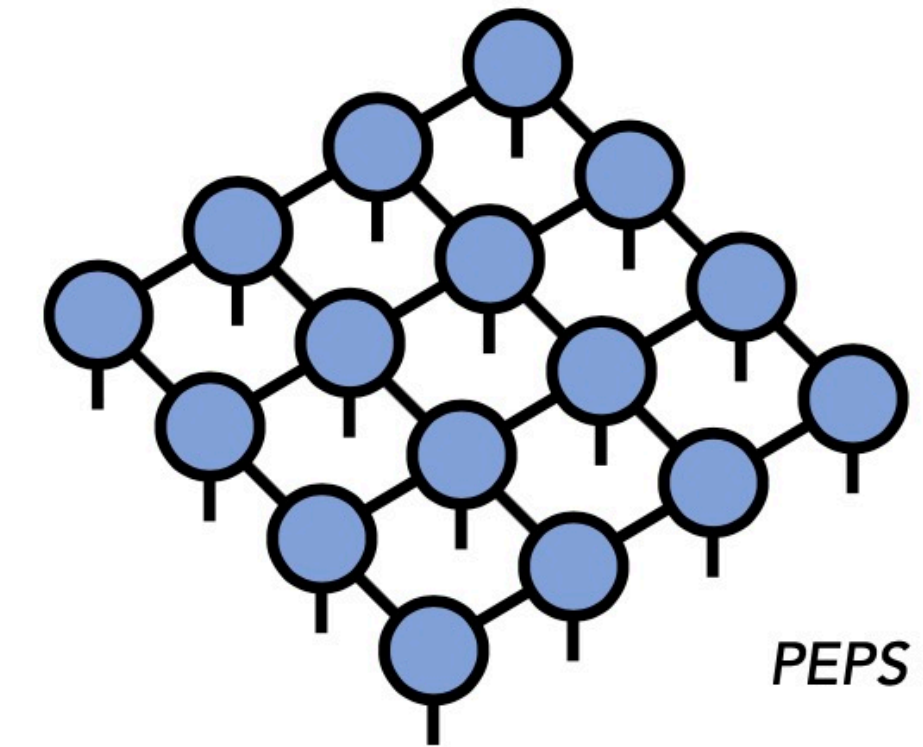
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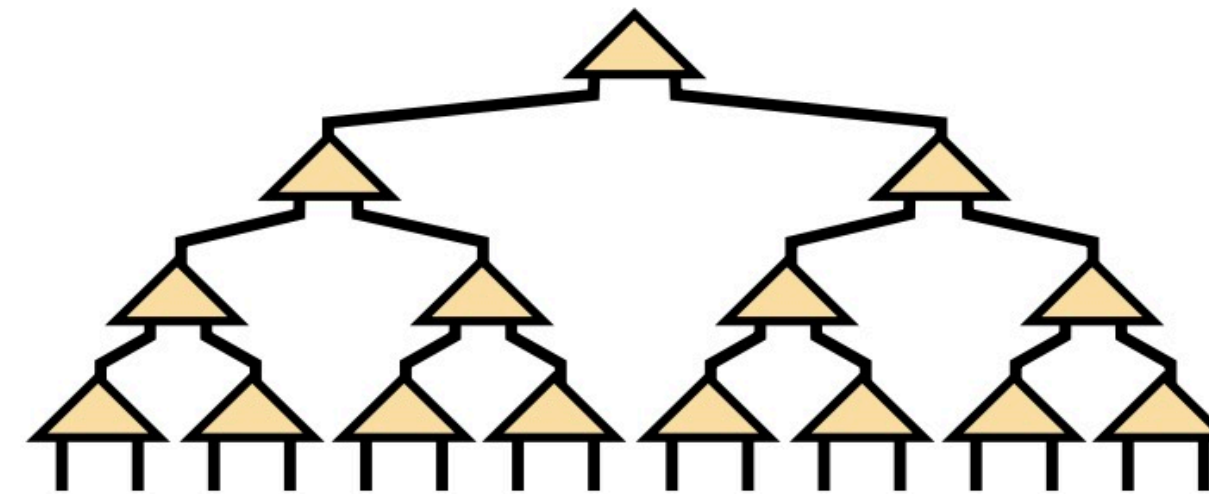
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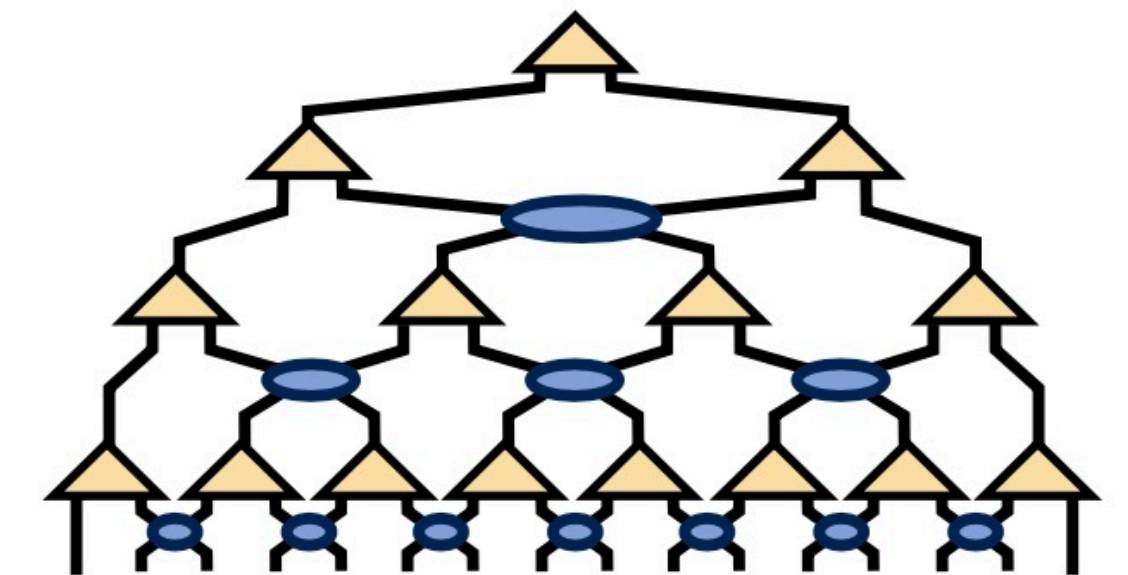
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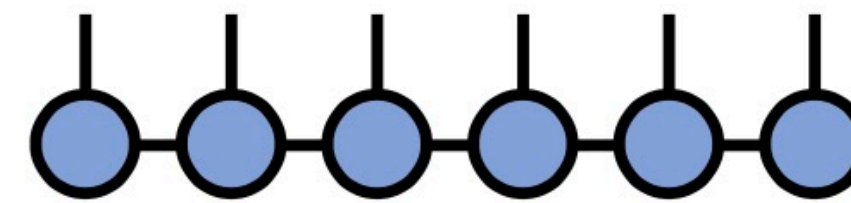
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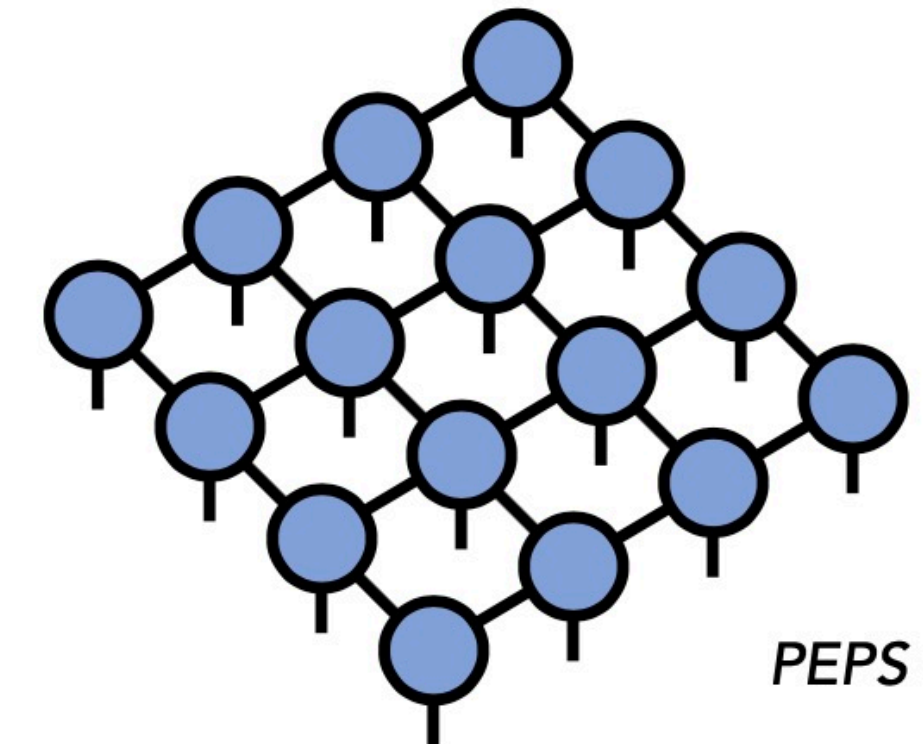
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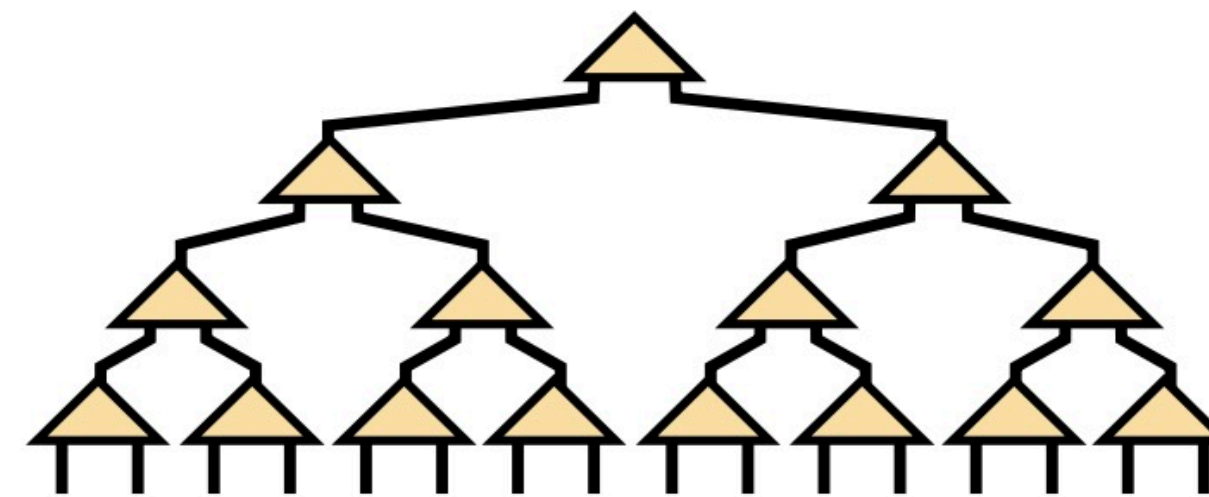
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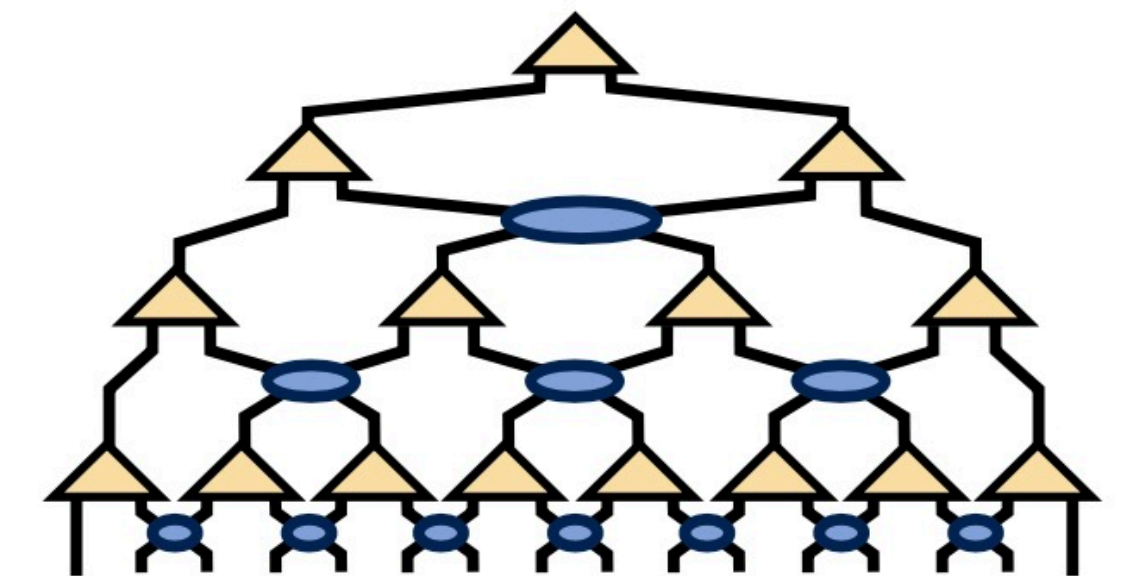
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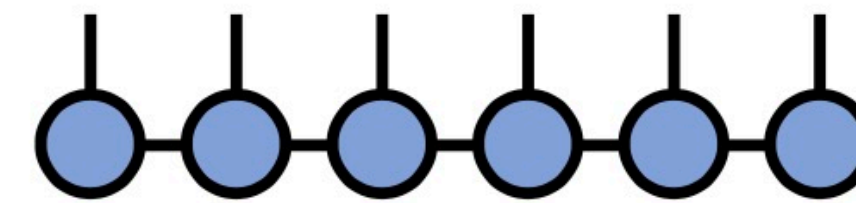
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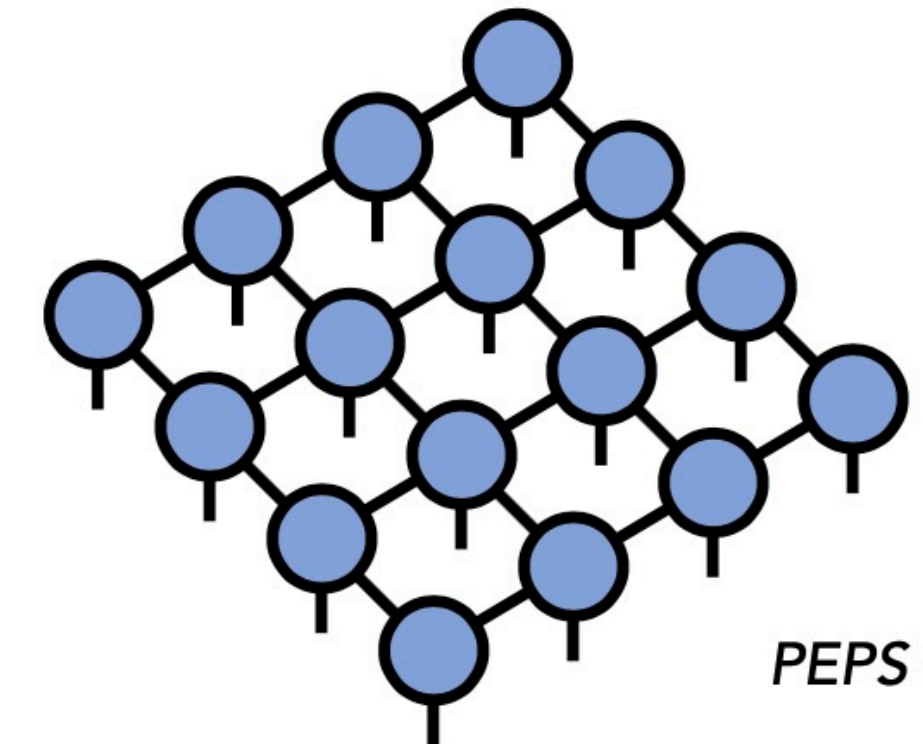
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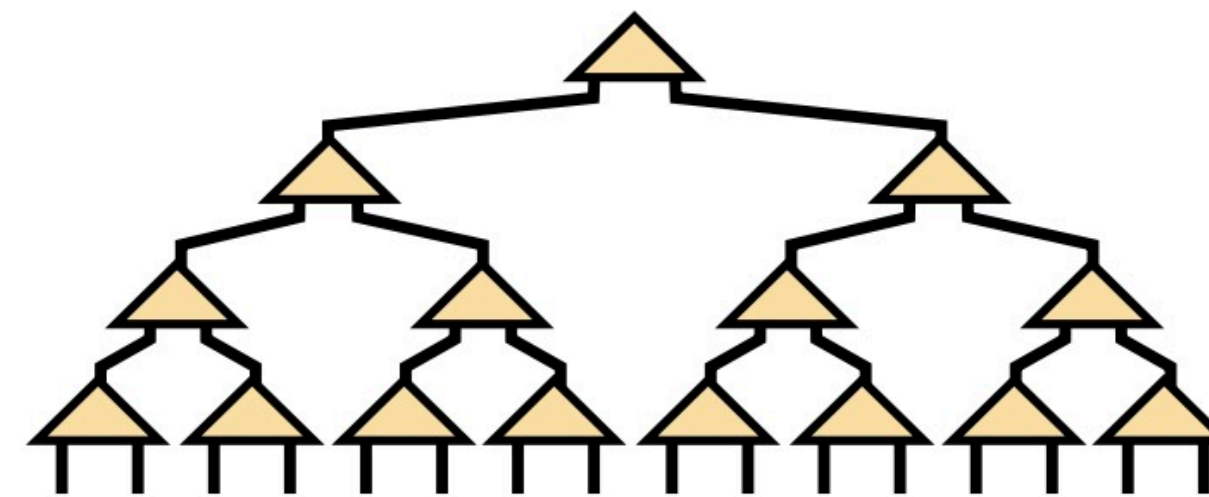
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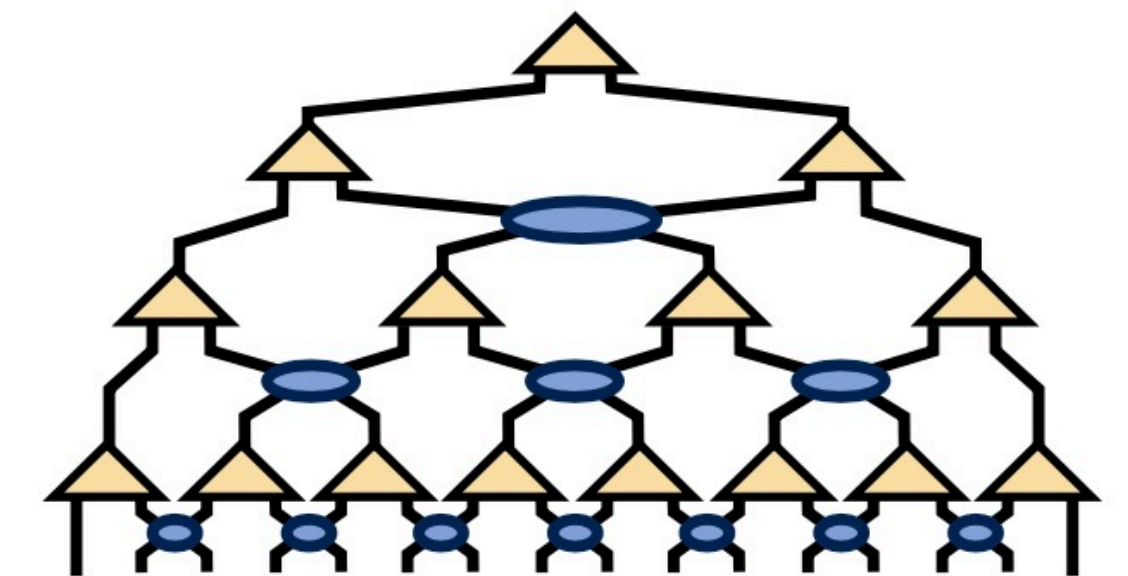
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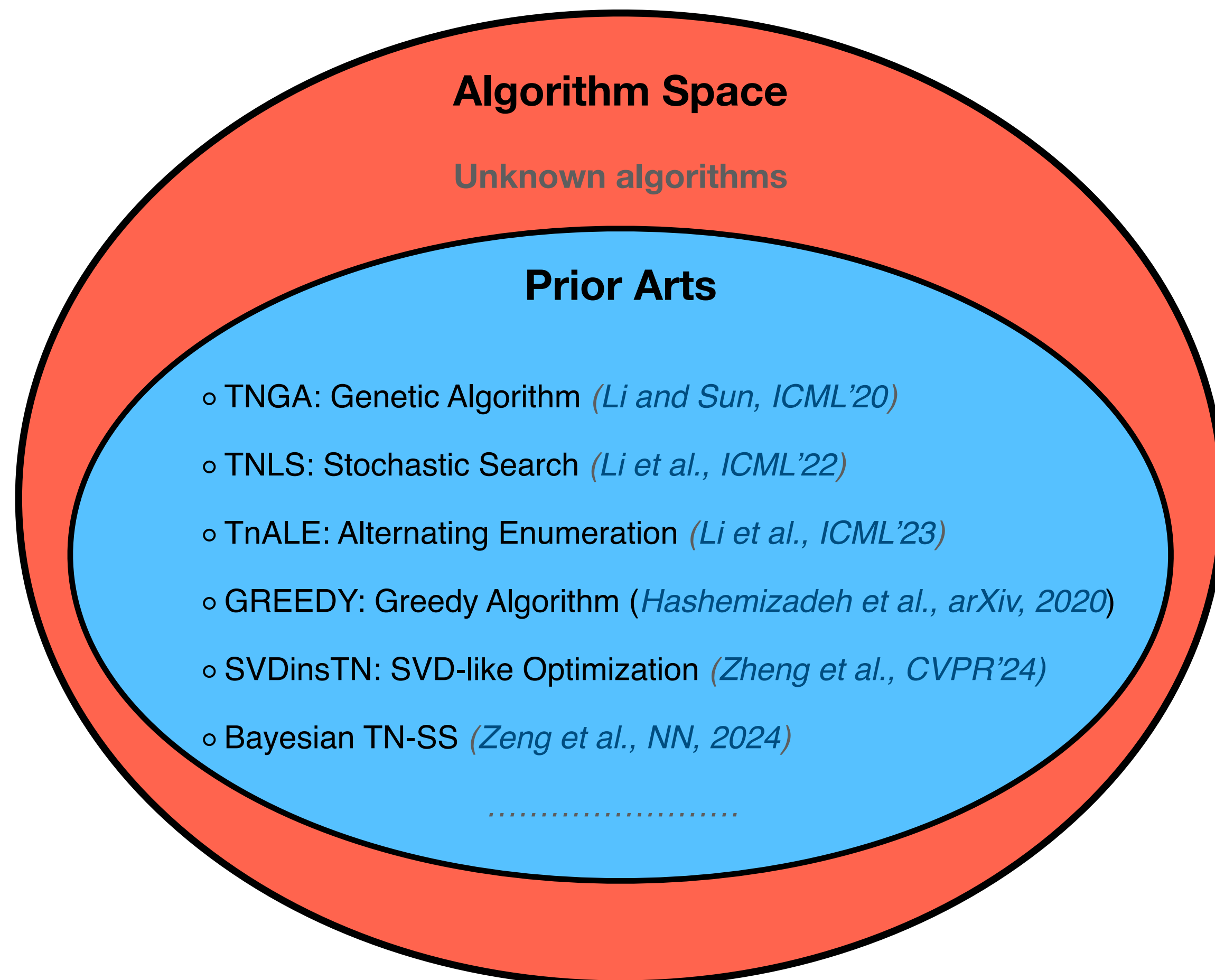
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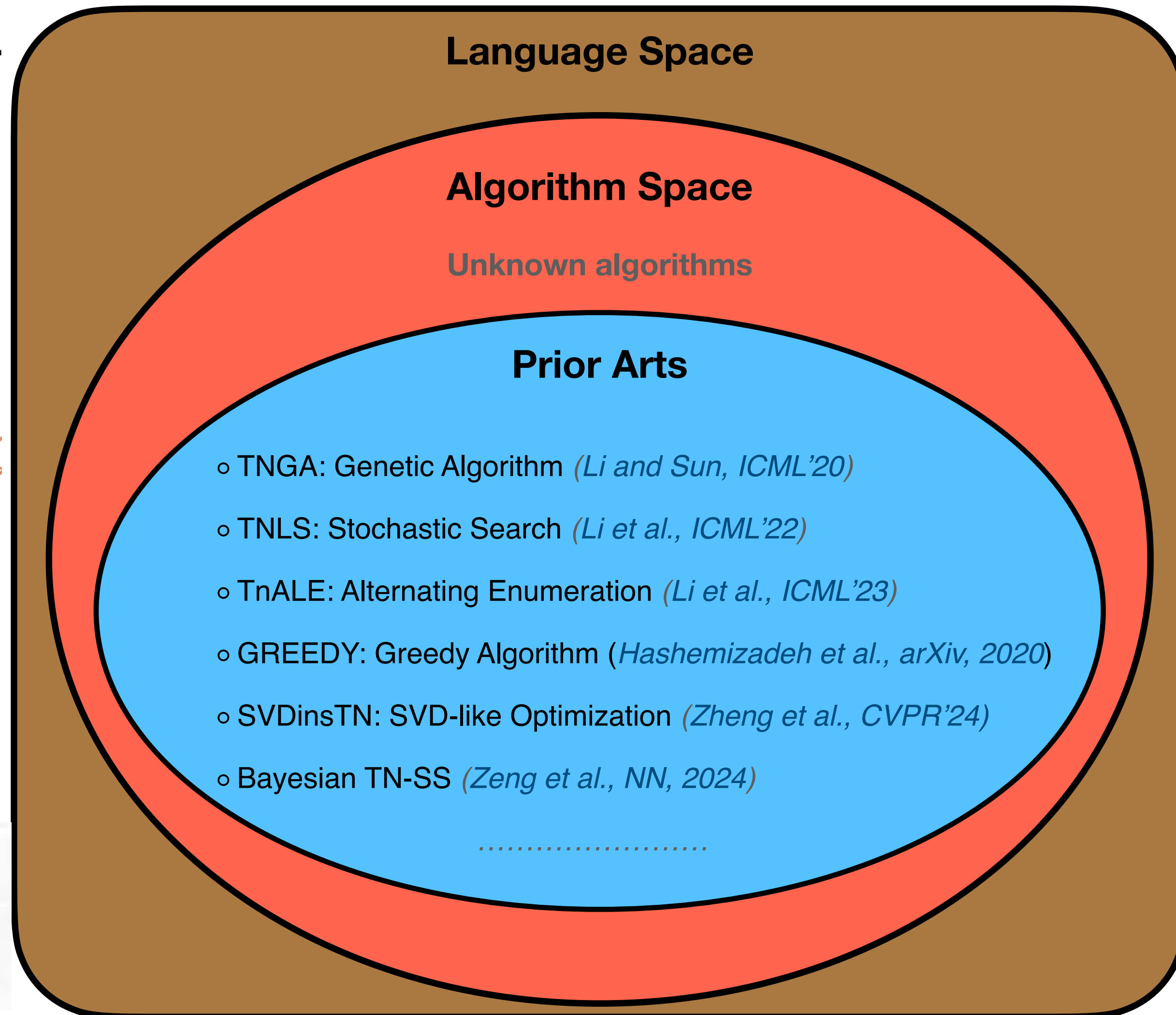
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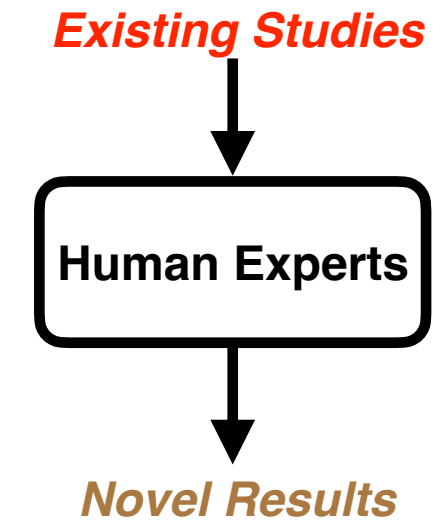
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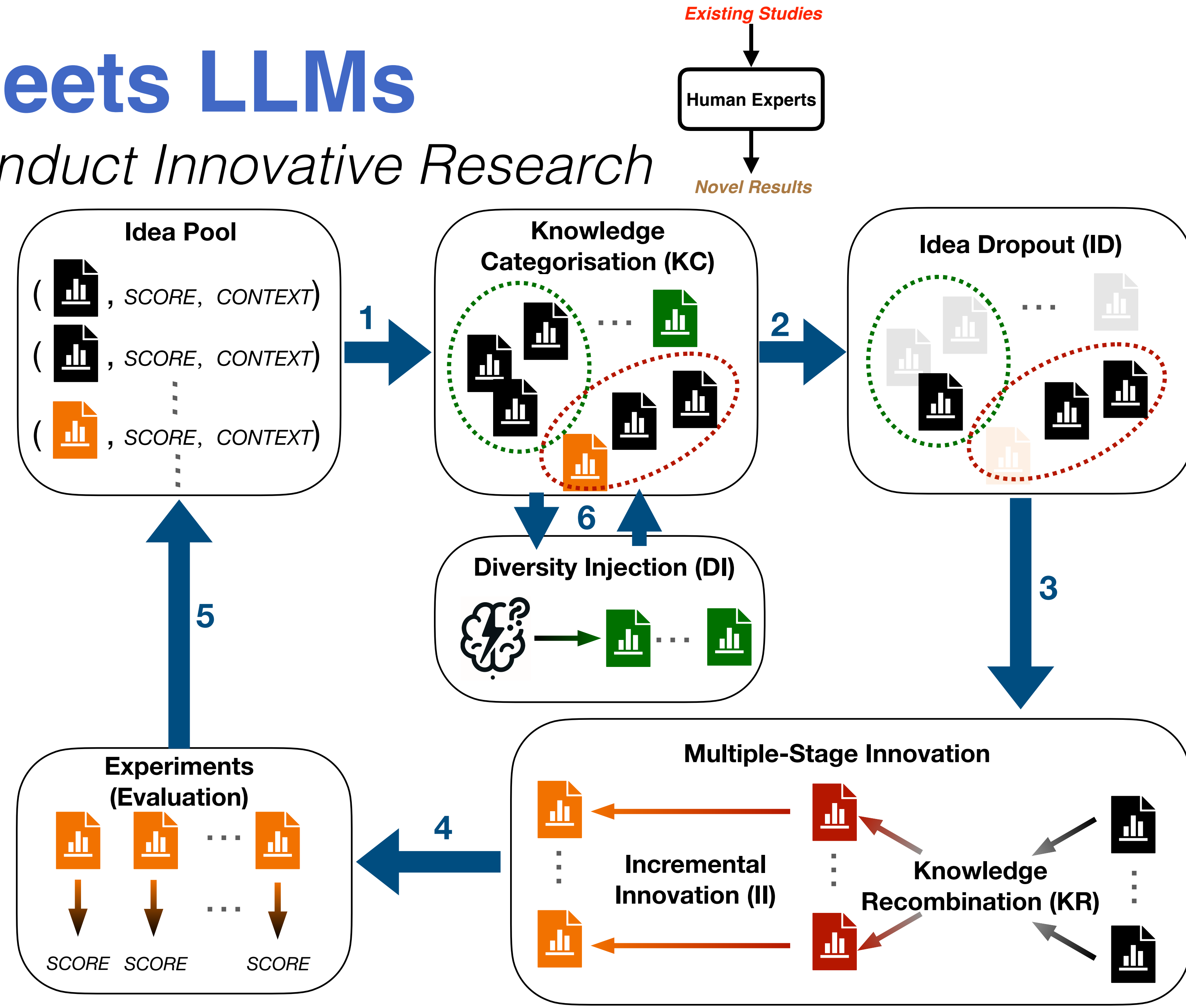
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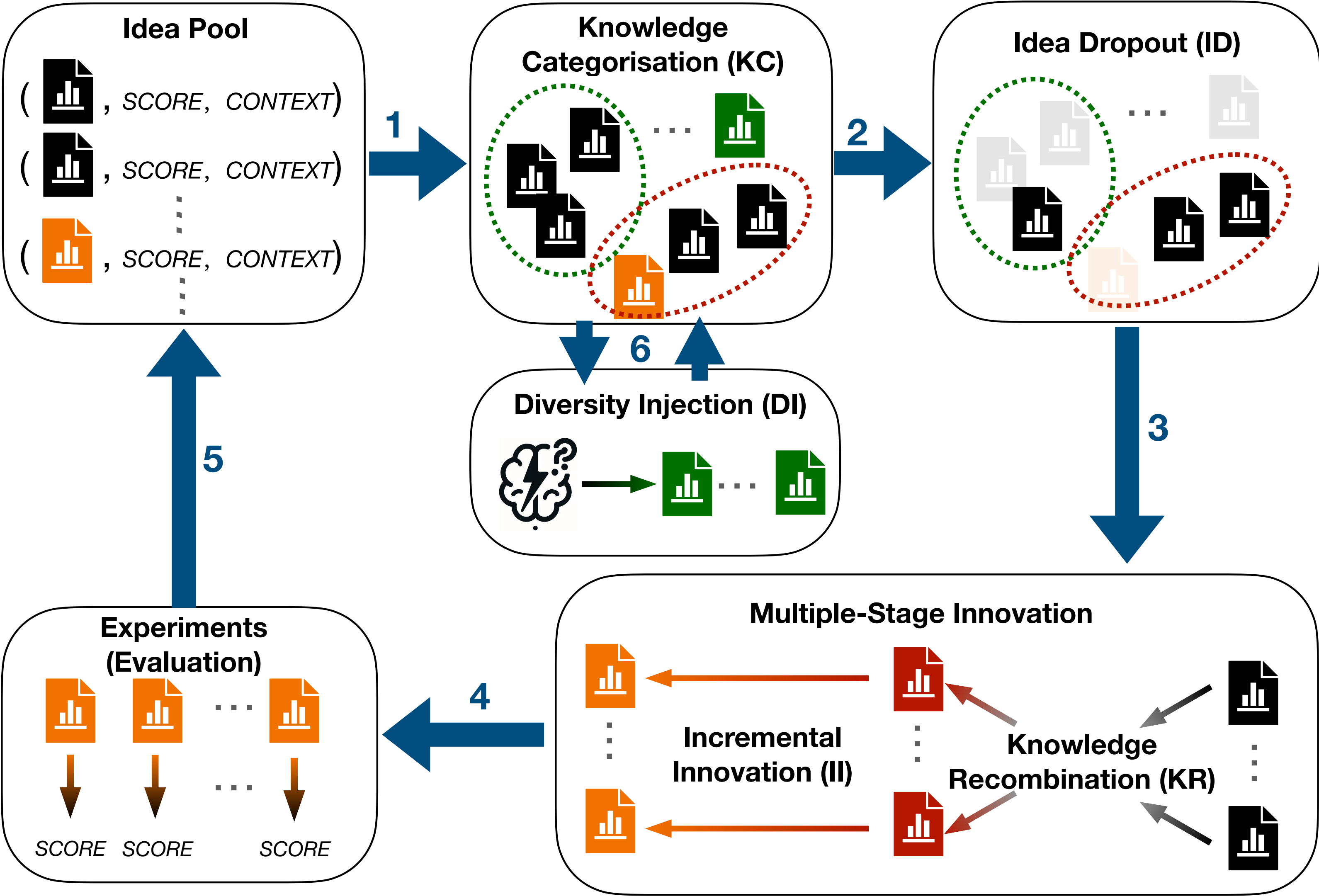
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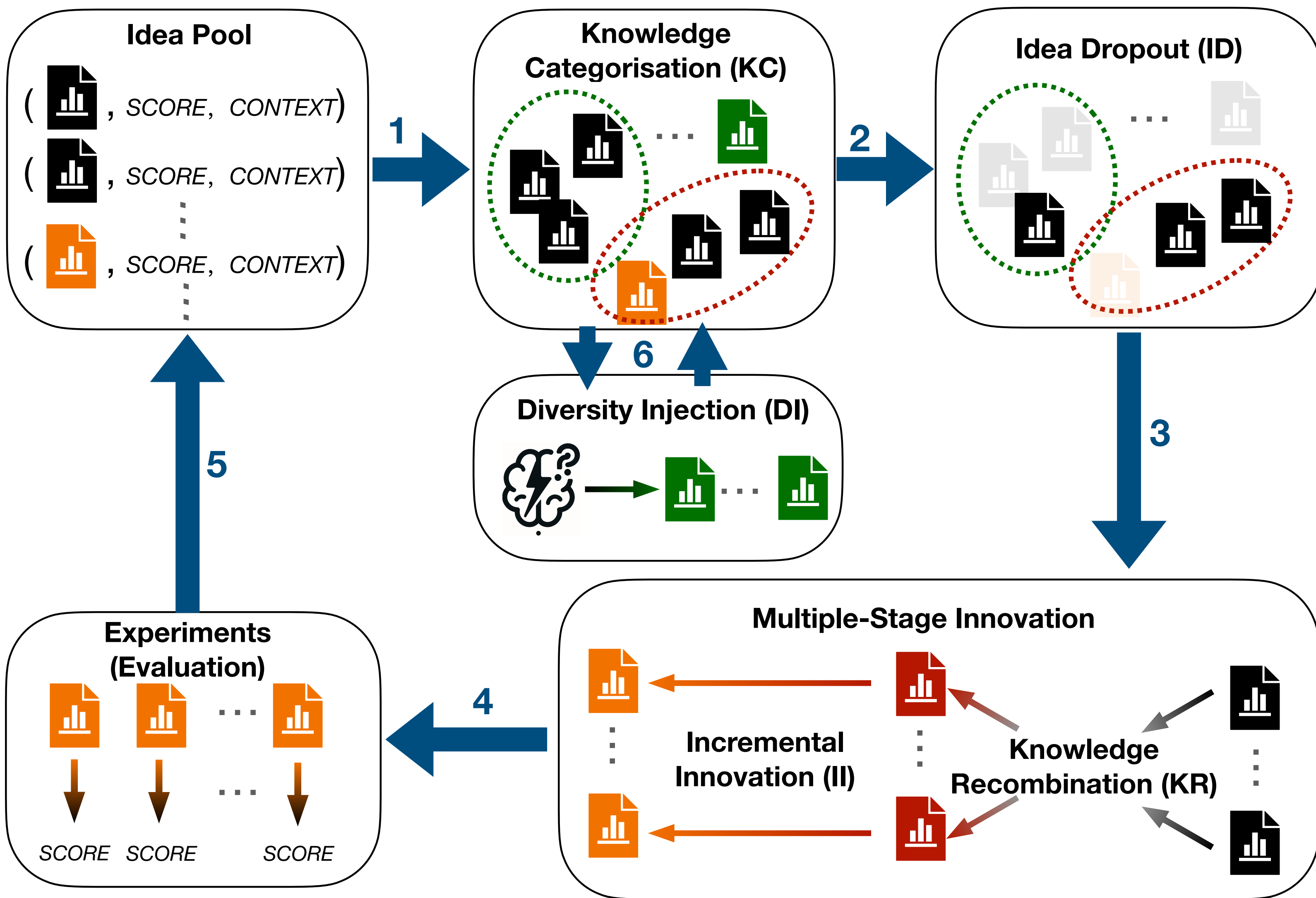
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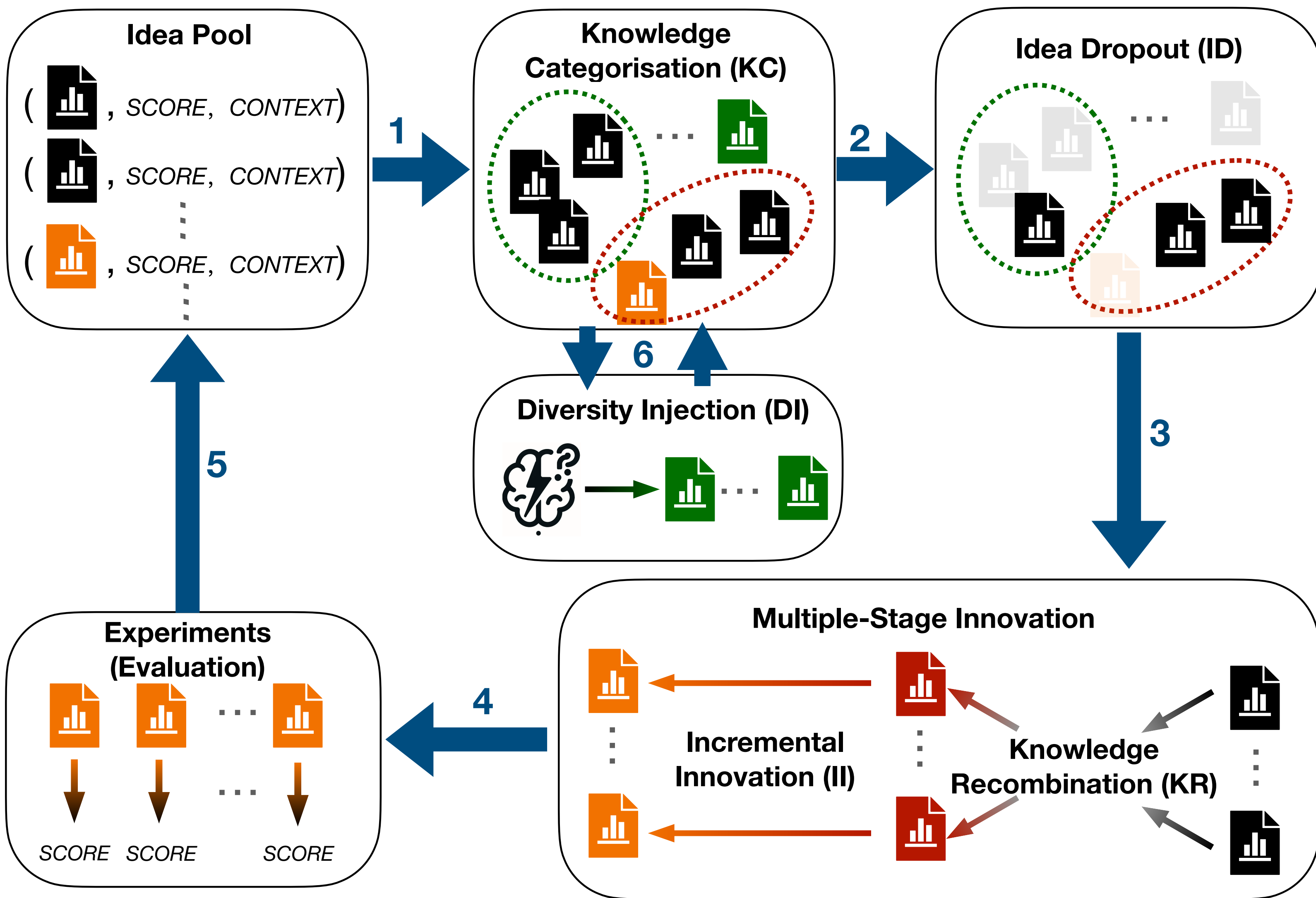
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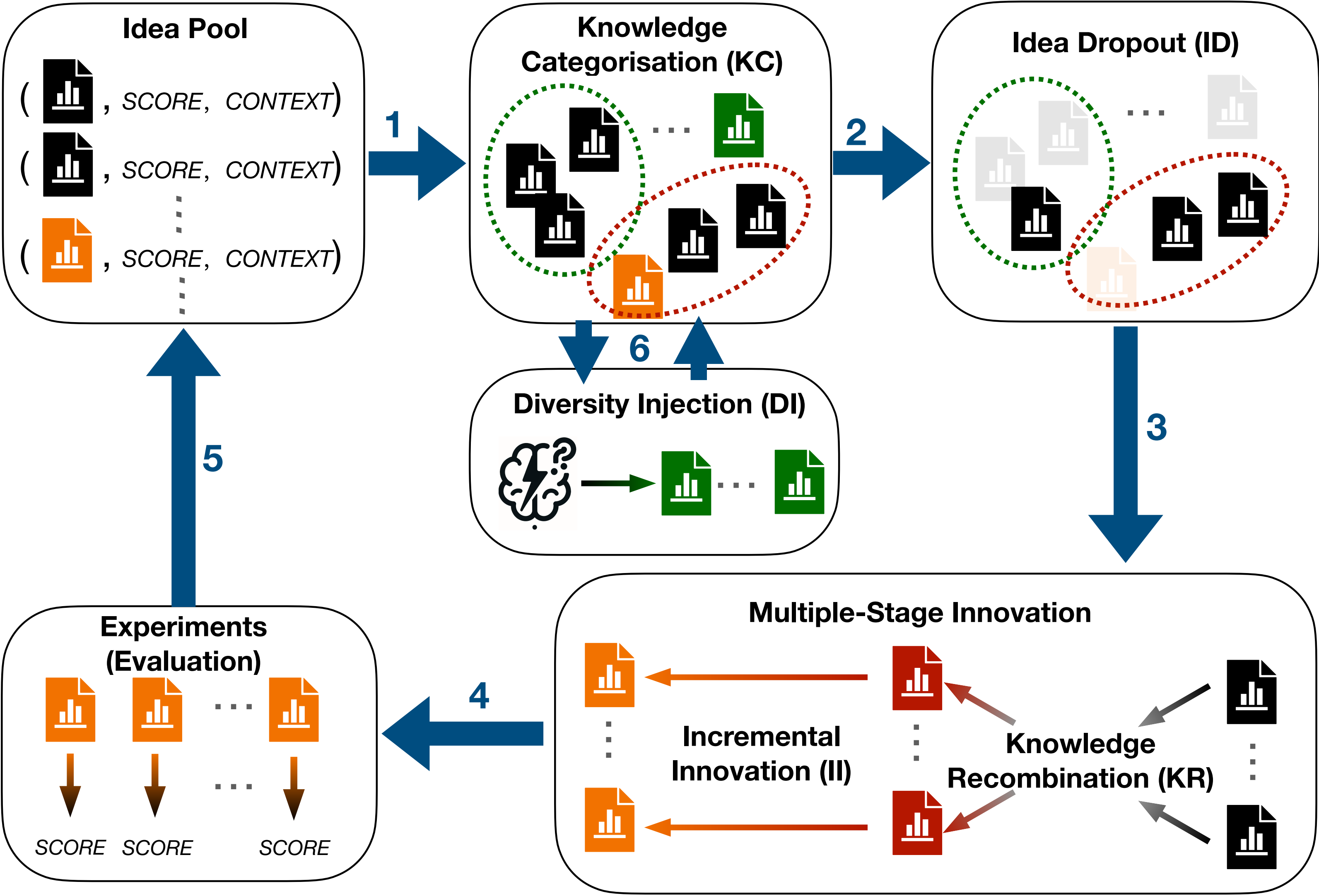
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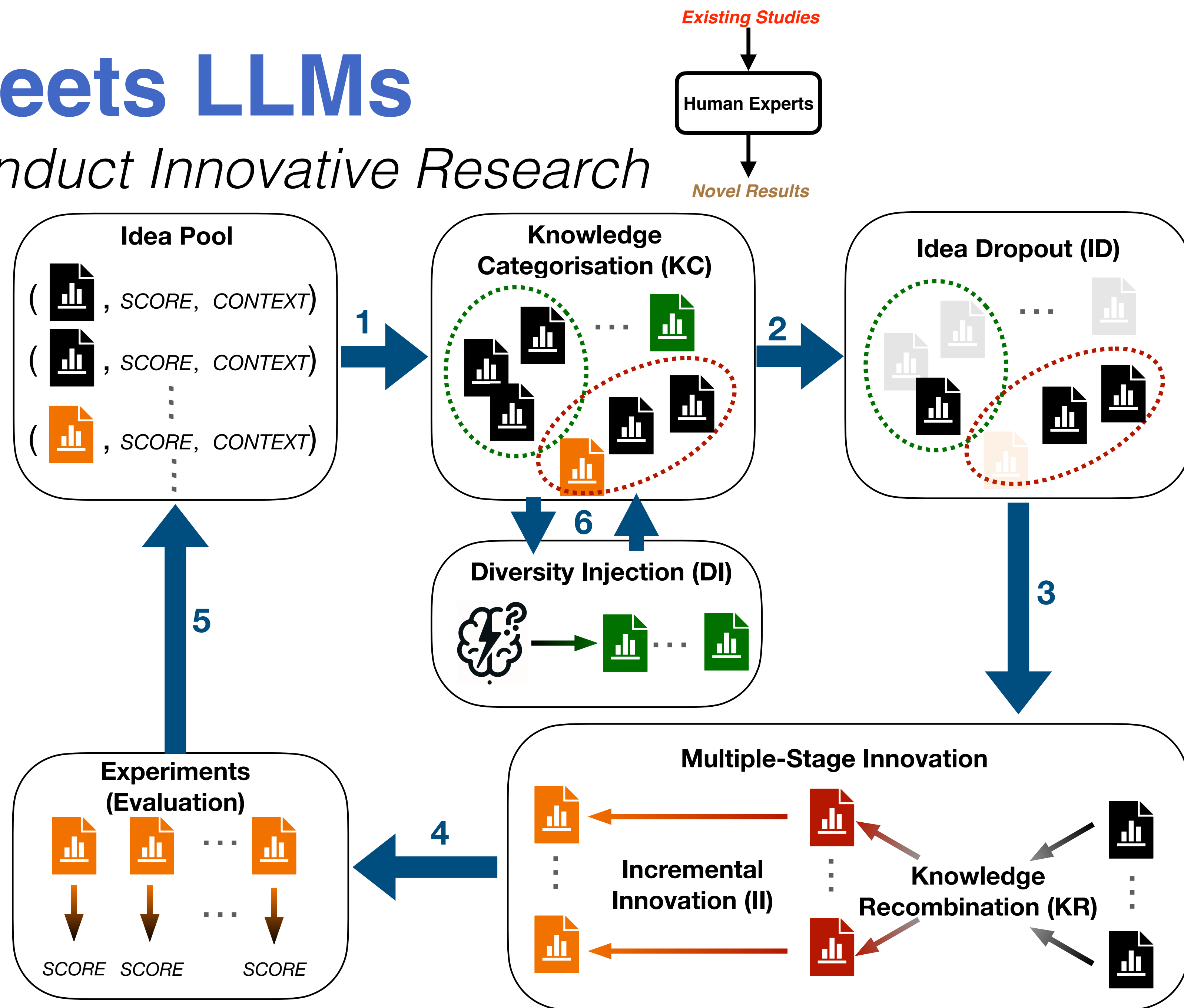
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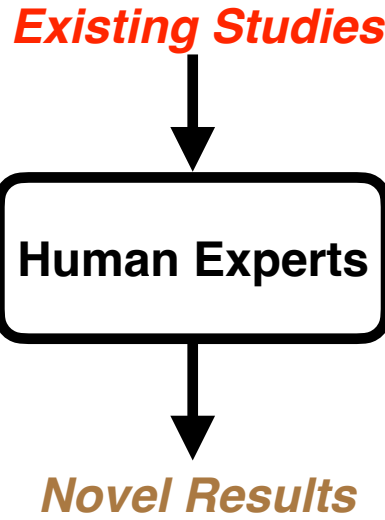
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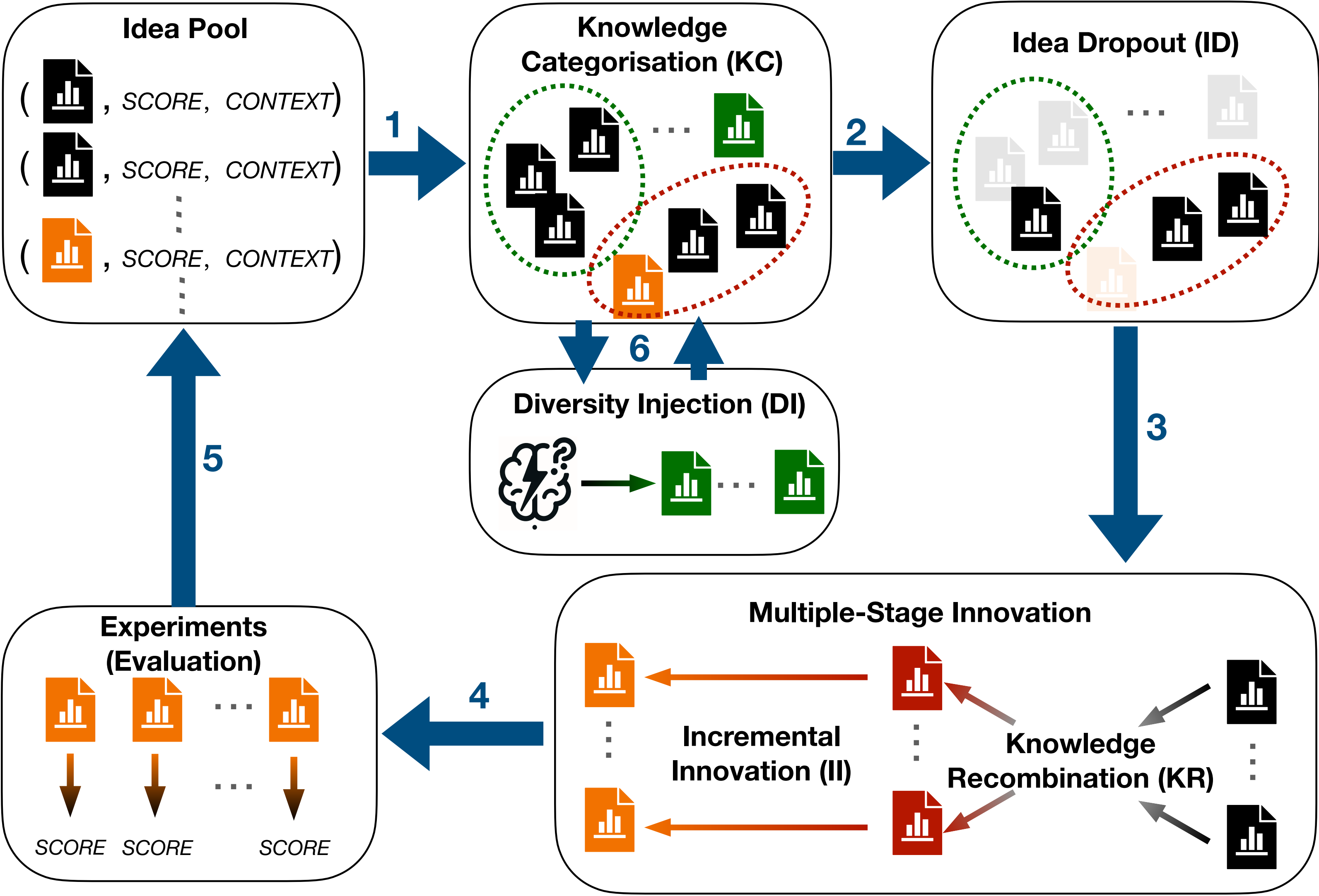


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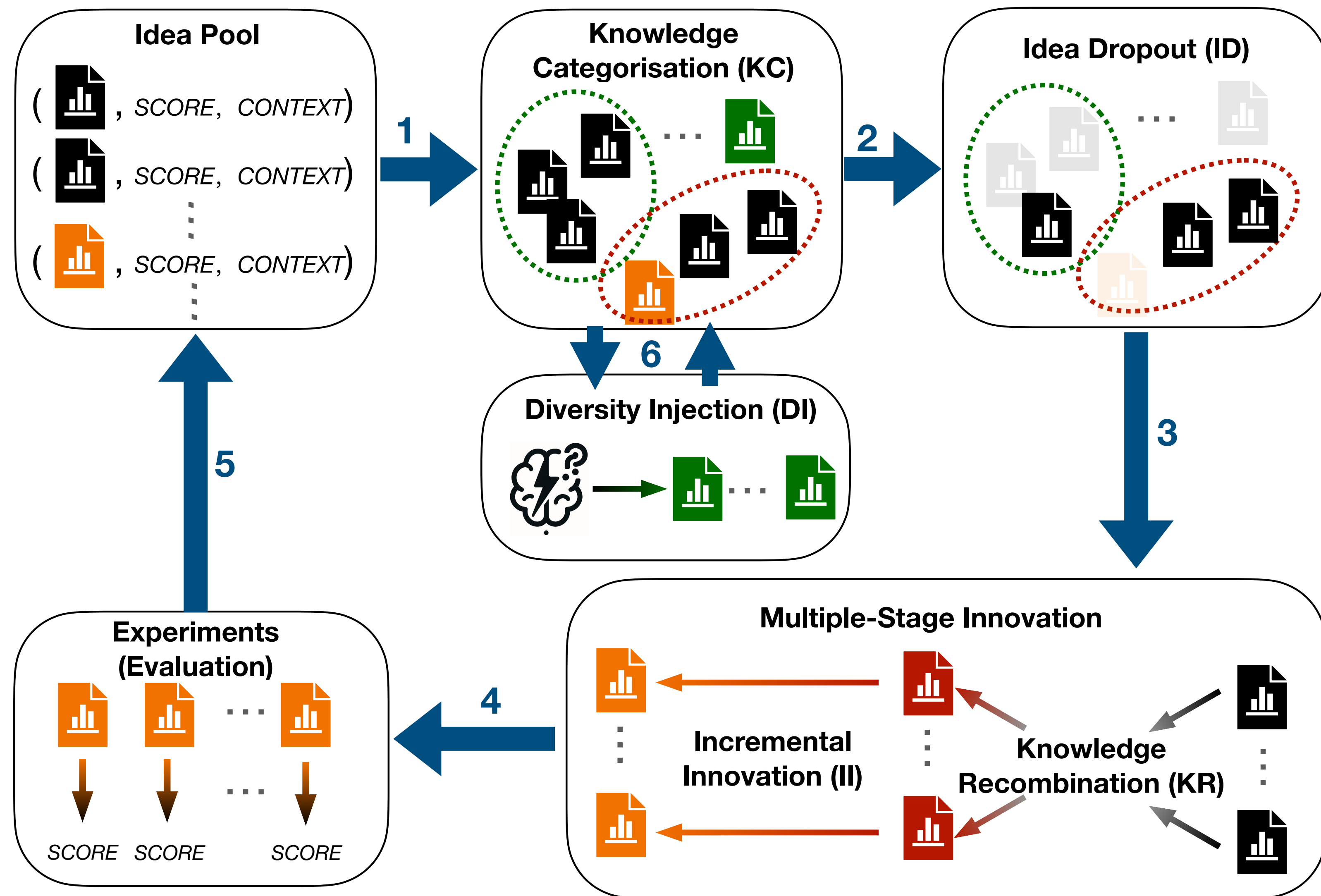
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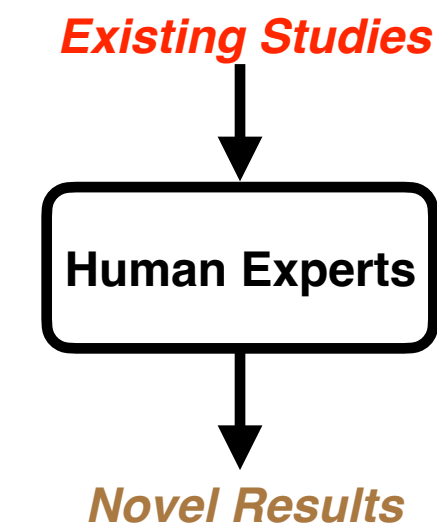
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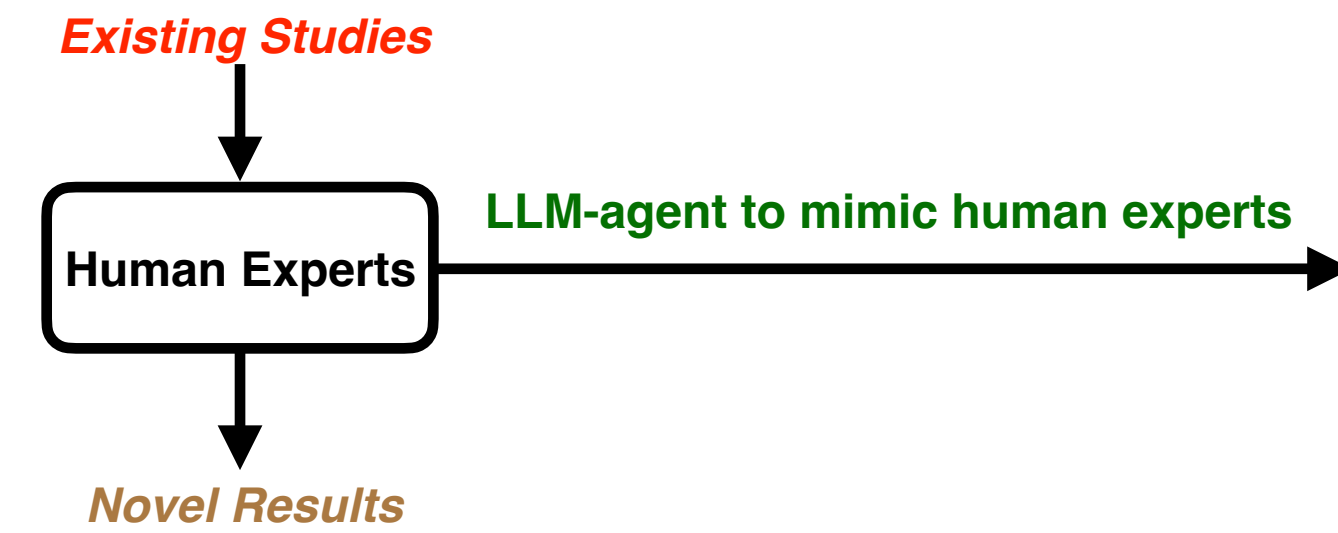
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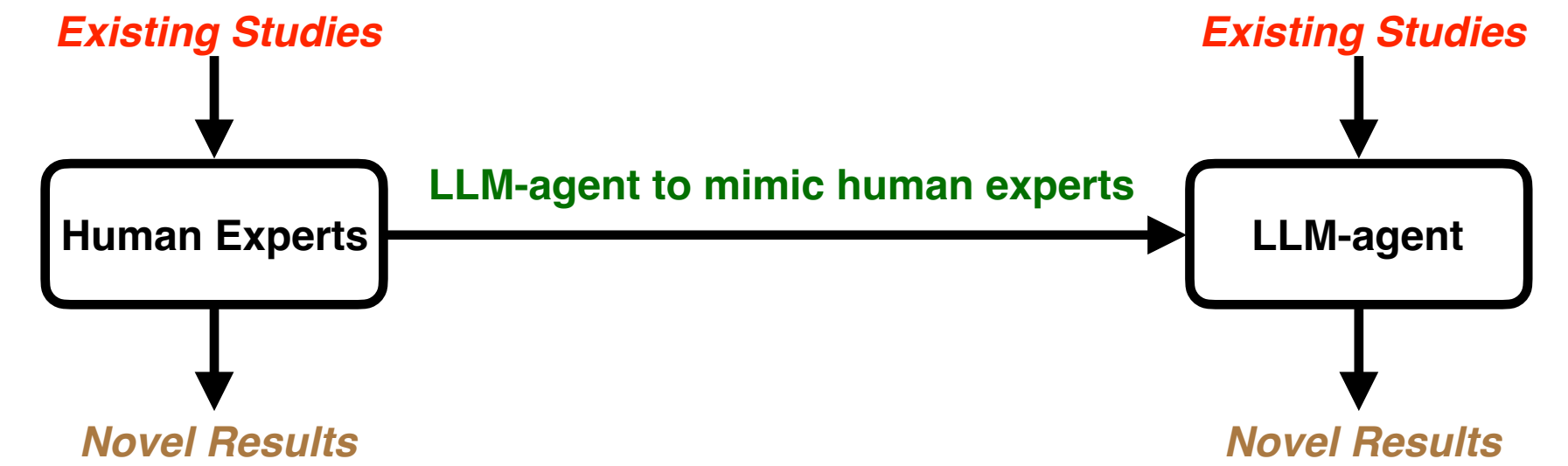
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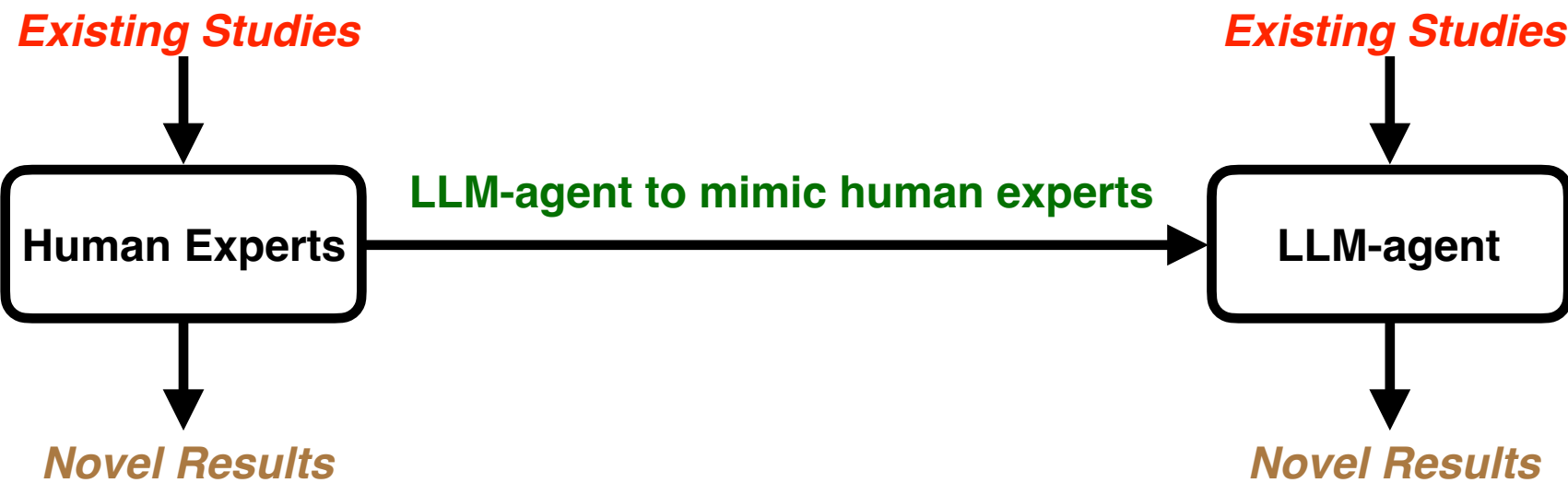
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... (omitted)

Algorithm N: # centroid

...

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New Algorithm:

...

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Which algorithm in the above is methodologically most similar to the new algorithm?
Just give me the function number with no other words.

Knowledge Categorization (KC) Prompt

Algorithm 1: ...

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Algorithm 1 score:

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Algorithm N: ...

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Algorithm N score:

Algorithms 1 to N are implementations of the 'GenerateSample' function. A lower score implies better performance.

Learning from their results, think about what works and what doesn't, provide M novel methods with lower scores. You are encouraged to be creative to incorporate novel ideas but do not simply stack methods together.

Knowledge Recombination (KR) Prompt

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Give me a novel 'GenerateSample' that is methodologically different from the above algorithms. You are encouraged to be creative to incorporate novel ideas but do not simply stack methods together.

Diversity Injection (DI) Prompt

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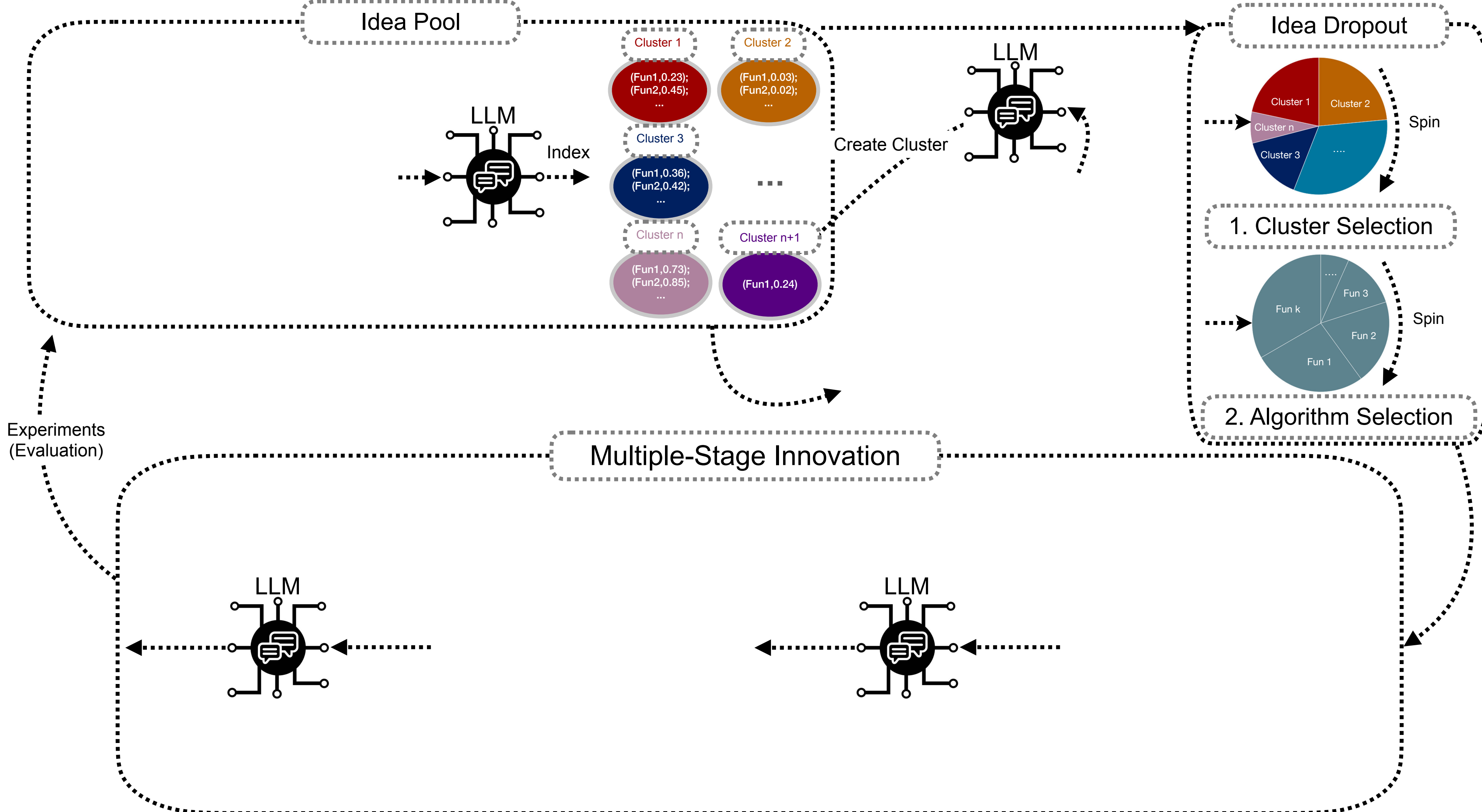
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Independently make improvements over these Algorithms that will increase their practical performance (not on the code efficiency, readability and parallel processing level). You are encouraged to be creative to incorporate novel ideas.

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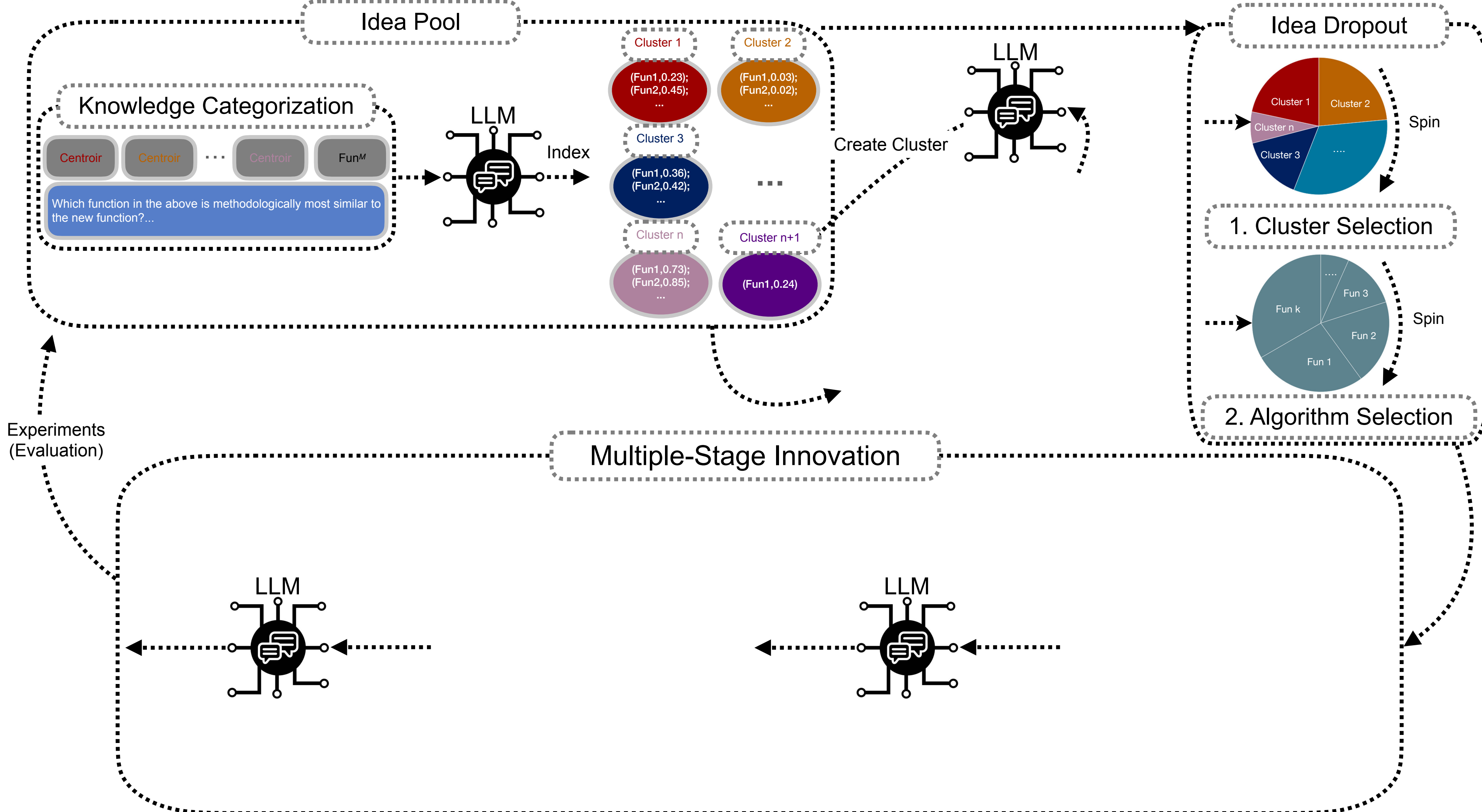
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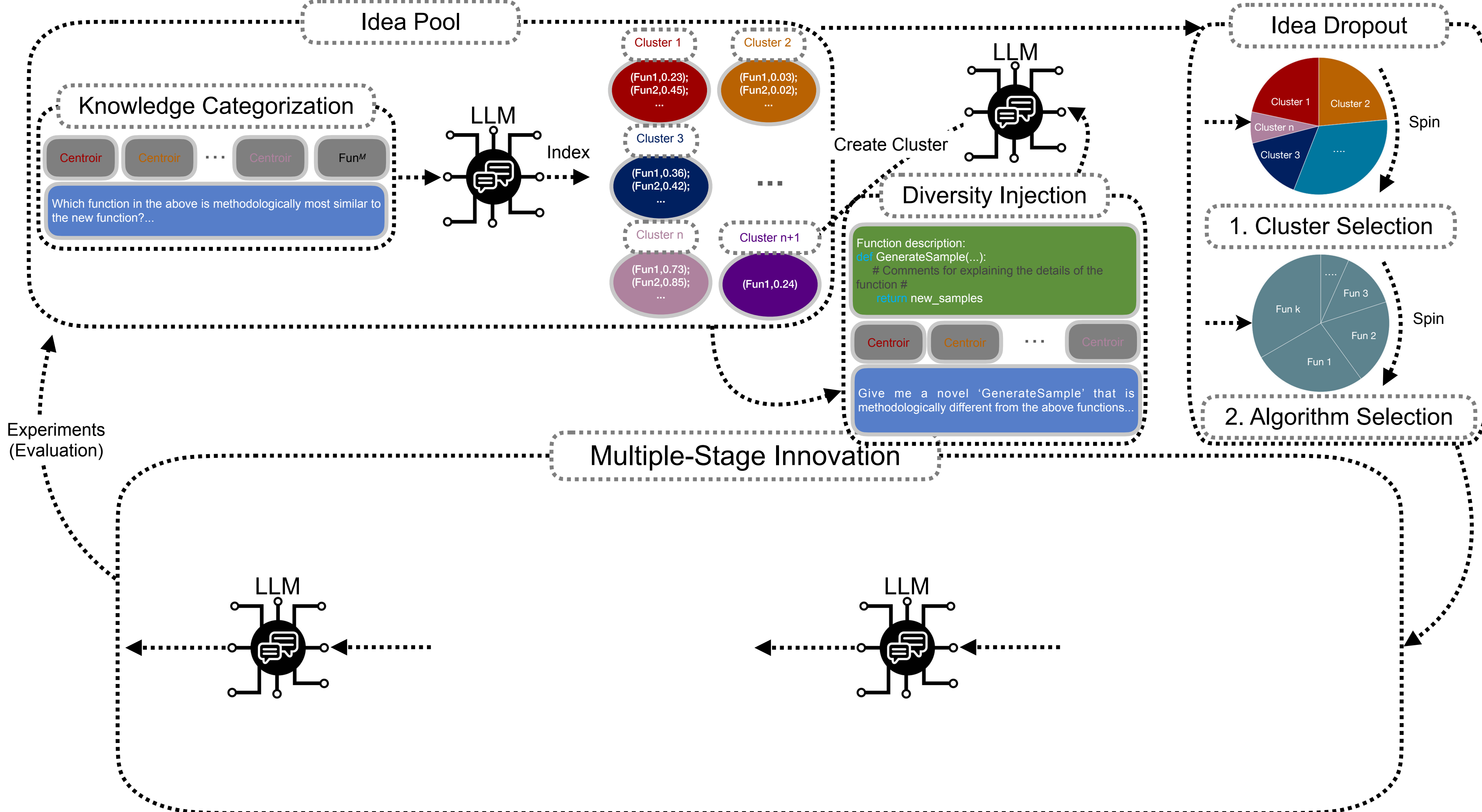
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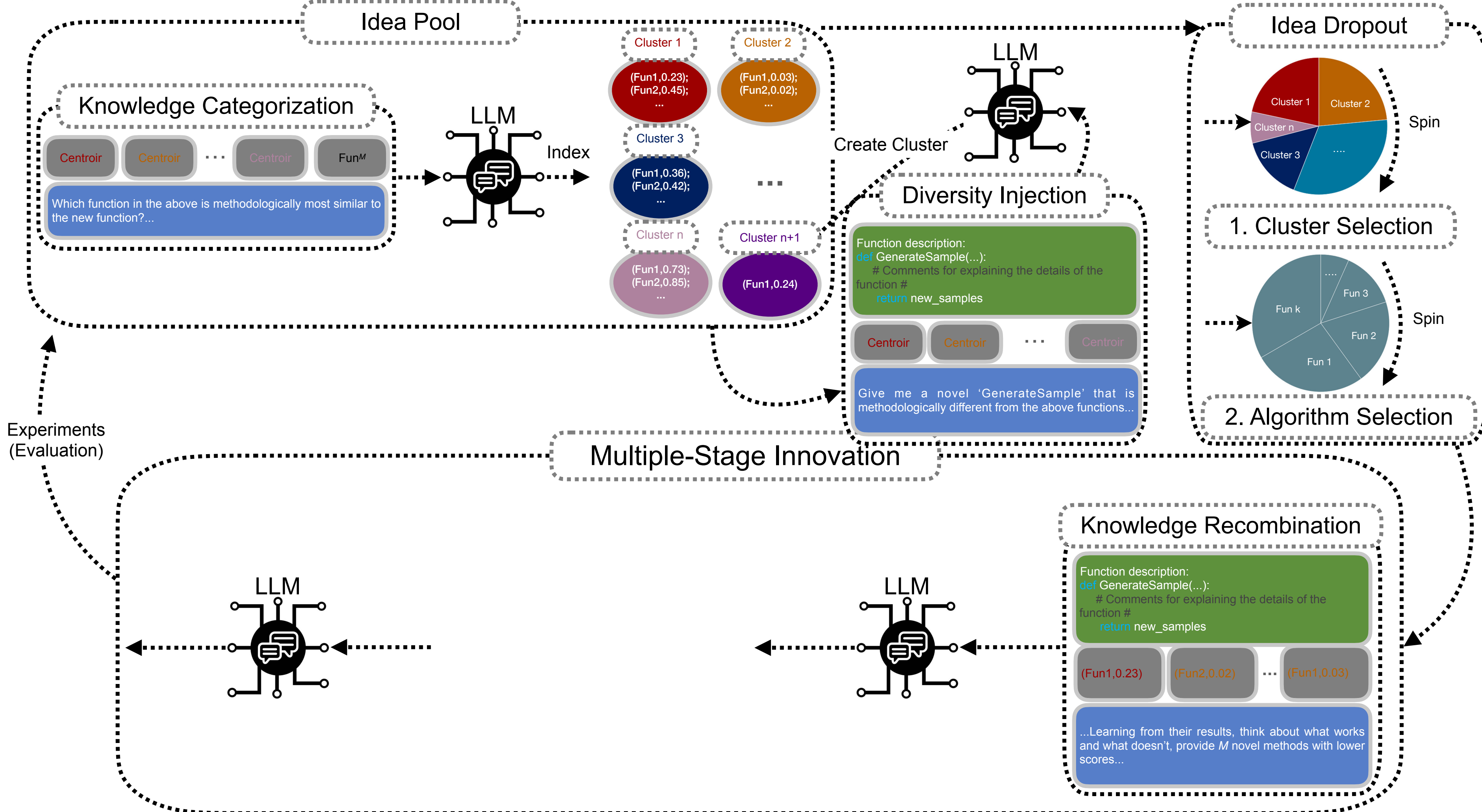
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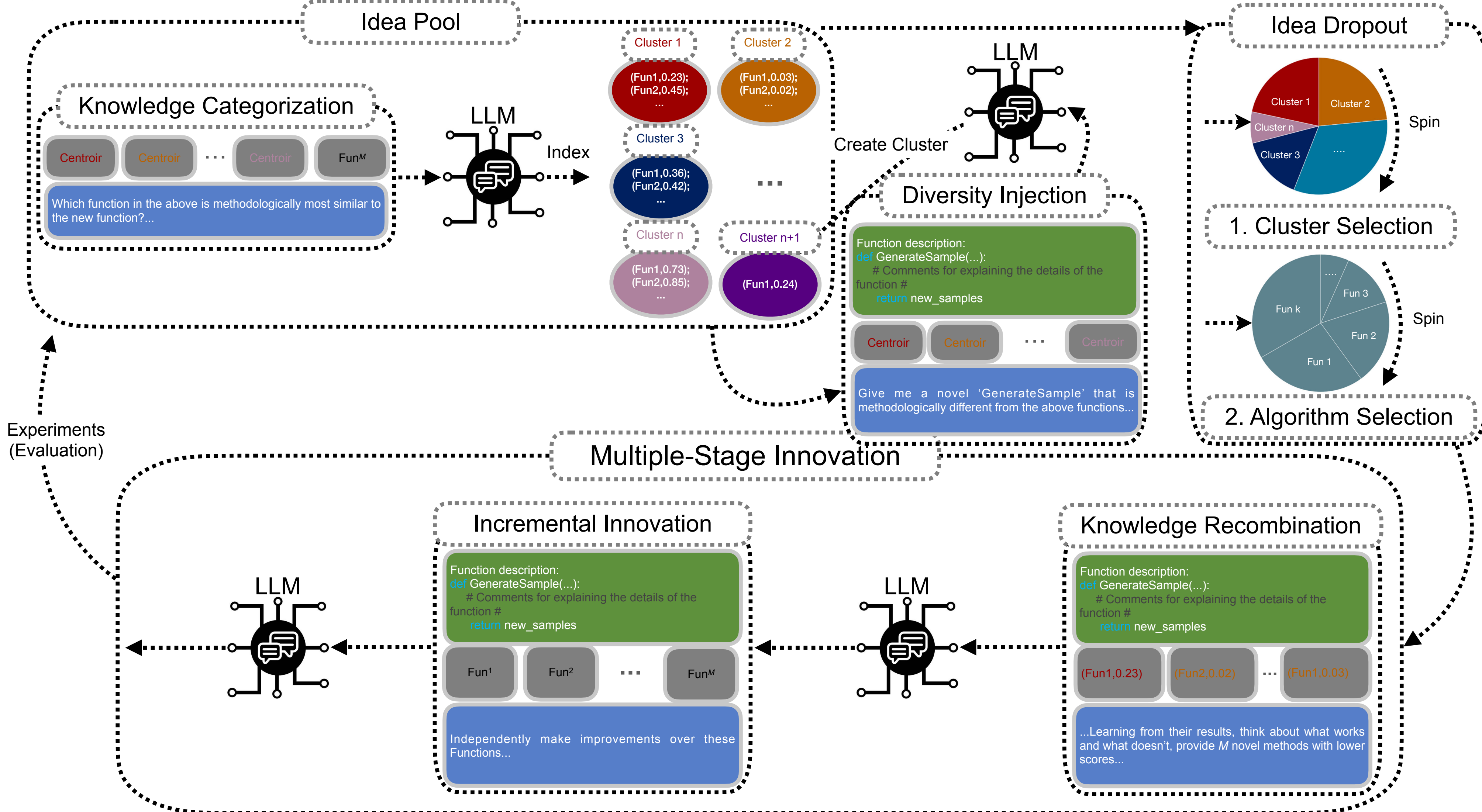
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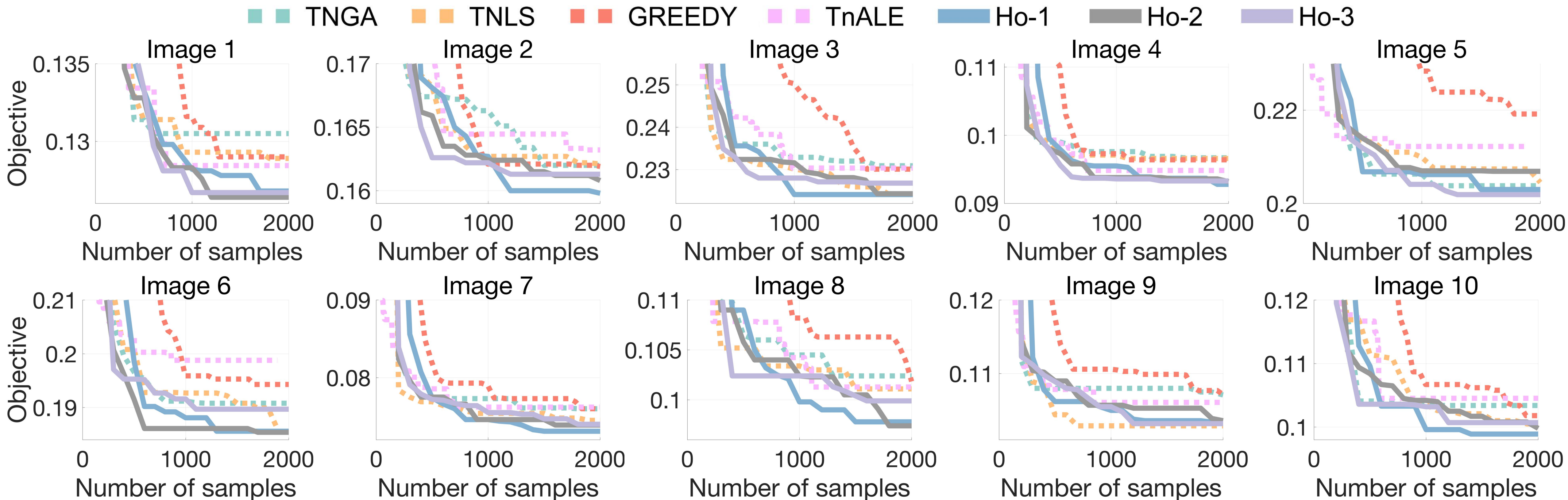
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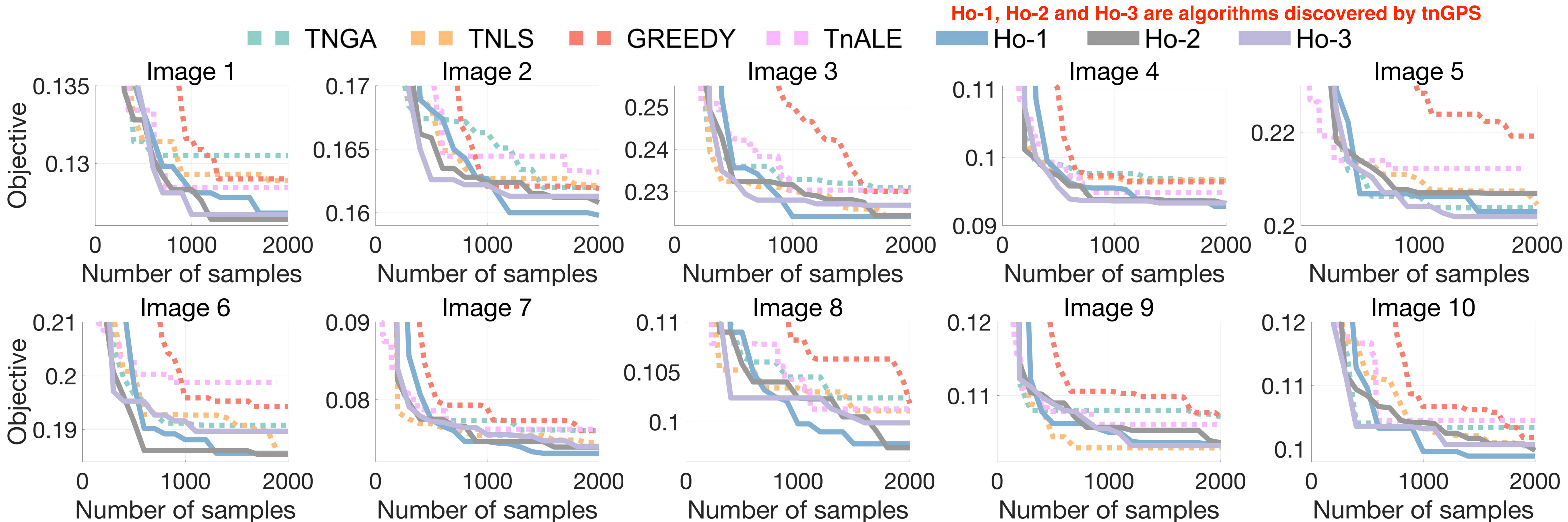
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More powerful LLMs like GPT-4 enhance tnGPS performance.

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- *Boundary mutation (Ablation 1)*

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- **tnGPS is designed by prompting LLMs to mimic human experts.**
- **LLMs provide us new ideas of solving more broad tensor problems.**

Thank You