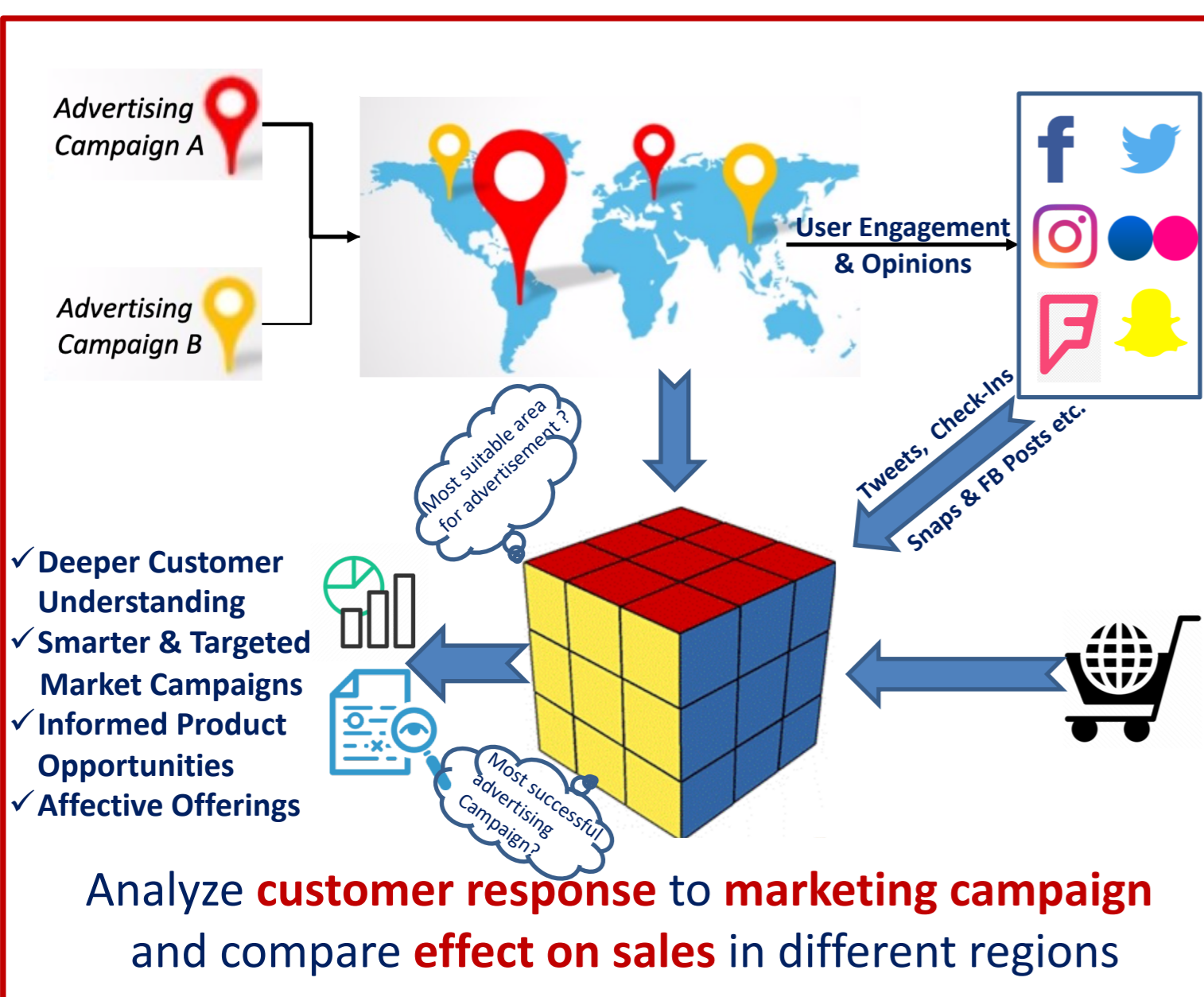


Background & Motivation



Limitations of existing Spatio-Textual Analytics:

- Lacks **formalization** and **definition** of **spatio-textual cube**
- No support for **OLAP** over spatio-textual data
- No **framework** for **exploring regions interactively** for major **activities, events** and discussion **topic**

Hypothesis

Analyzing structured and unstructured data together produces better, elaborated and more powerful insights.

Objectives

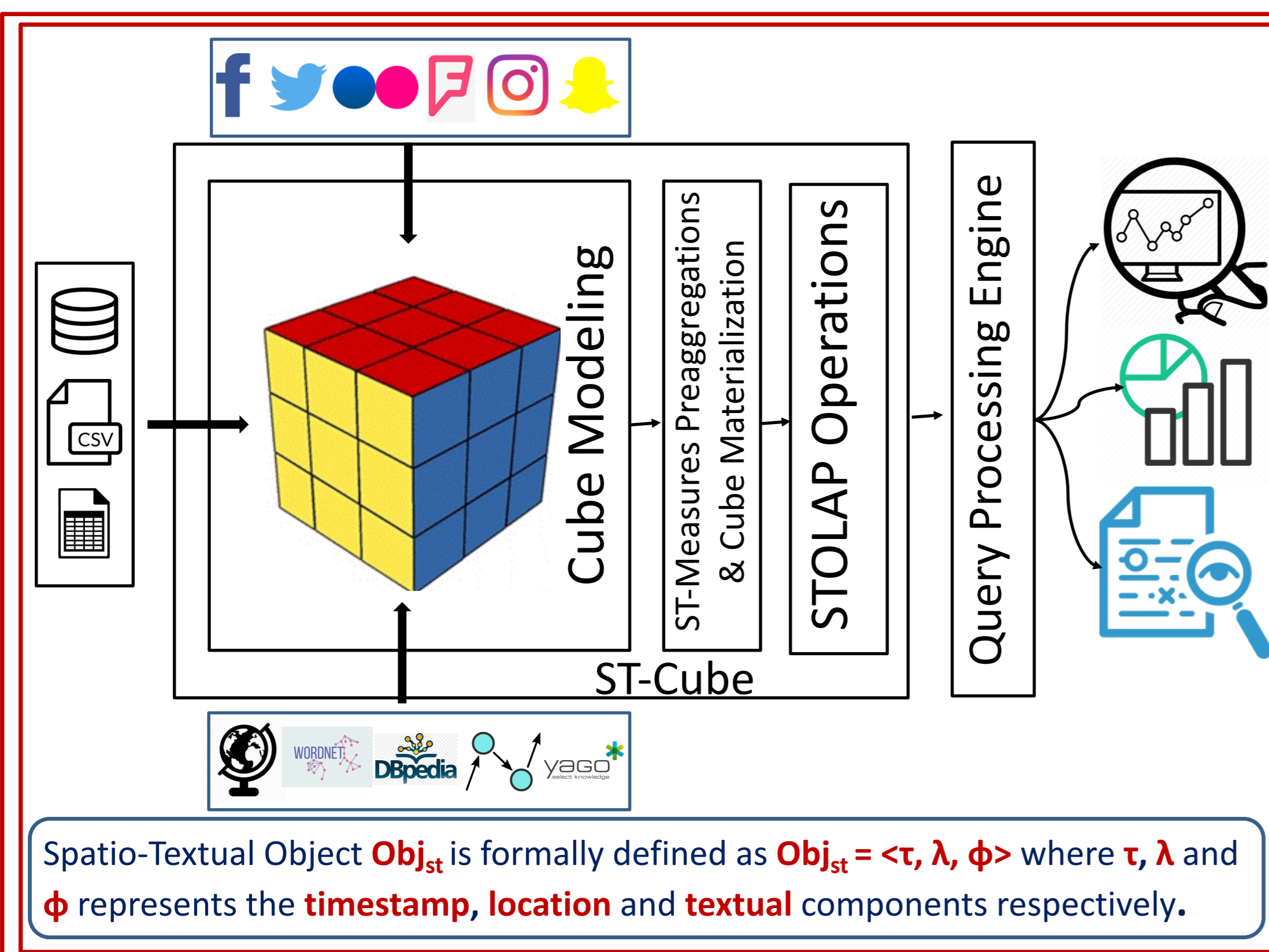
Defining and Formalizing a Spatio-Textual Cube

- Defining dimensions and hierarchies for **spatial** and **textual** data
- Spatio-Textual **Measures**
- Spatial-Textual **OLAP** Operations

Building a Region Exploration Framework

- Supports analysis of spatio-textual data **combined** with traditional data
- Links **external resources**
- Allows to **compare** & find **similar regions**
- Mechanism for **ranking** similar regions
- Functionality like **magnifying glass**

Spatio-Textual Cube



An *n-dimensional ST-Cube schema* CS_{stc} is a tuple $CS_{stc} = (D, M, F)$, with a set of dimensions $D = \{d_{time}, d_{location}, d_{text}, d_4, \dots, d_n\}$, a set of measures $M = \{m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_k\}$, and a **fact type** F .

Spatio-Textual Dimensions

- Spatial Dimension**
 - Grid Based Hierarchy
 - Semantic Based Hierarchy
- Textual Dimension**
 - Individual Based Hierarchy
 - Importance Based Hierarchy
 - Majority Based Hierarchy
 - Custom Hierarchy

Spatio-Textual Dimension Hierarchies

- $\tau \rightarrow$ Day \rightarrow Month \rightarrow Quarter \rightarrow Year
 - $\tau \rightarrow$ Second \rightarrow Minute \rightarrow Hour
 - $\lambda \rightarrow$ City \rightarrow Region \rightarrow Country
 - $\phi \rightarrow$ Term \rightarrow Theme \rightarrow Topic \rightarrow Concept
- T (Top)**

Spatio-Textual Measures

- Top k **keywords** discussed within a **geographical region**
- Keywords density** in a region
- Most frequent keywords** in a area defined by a **polygon**

Spatio-Textual Operations & Experiments

- Aggregation** Operations – **combines** more than one spatio-textual objects $\rightarrow O_{agg}(obj_{st}^1, obj_{st}^2, \dots, obj_{st}^n) \rightarrow obj_{st}'$, e.g., Top-K **Topics**, **Union** of regions (e.g., polygons) and Most **frequent KW** in a **region**
- Comparison** Operations – compares two or more spatio-textual objects for **relevance** $\rightarrow O_{com}(obj_{st}^1, obj_{st}^2, \dots, obj_{st}^n) \rightarrow true/false$
- Numeric** Operations – takes more than one spatio-textual objects and return a **real value** $O_n(obj_{st}^1, \dots, obj_{st}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Extension** of OnLine Analytical Processing (OLAP) operation to **spatio-textual OLAP (STOLAP)** using spatio-textual operations

Performance Optimization

- Preaggregation** and **materialization** of spatio-textual **measure** and **cube** (space-time trade off) for efficient analysis
- Comparison** of proposed preaggregation & **partial**-materialization technique with baseline **fully**-materialized and **no**-materialization
- Experimental Evaluation** using real-world **twitter** dataset (**8.5M**)
- ST-Cube modeling** using **snowflake** schema in **MSSQL** Server
- Spatial** dimension implementation using the **Geo Names dataset**¹
- Textual** dimension implementation using **WordNet**² knowledge source

²<https://wordnet.princeton.edu> ¹<http://download.geonames.org/export/dump/>

Future Work - Region Exploration



- Exploring a **geographical region** and finding **similar** regions
- A **magnifying glass** like system to figure out the general **trends, events** and popular discussion **topic** of an interested **region**
- Parameters selection** to capture any regions characteristics
- Comparison** of different regions (e.g., future business opportunities)
- Ranking** function for similar regions queries
- Evaluation** of proposed techniques using **real-world** data and use cases