

## FAQ Agents

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## Searching the Web

Given: search keywords

Find: documents relevant to the keywords



## Finding Answering on the Web

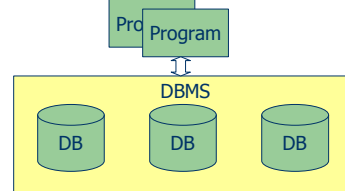
What we really want is to find answers to our questions, e.g.

- Who are doing research on agents?
- Where is Mt. Fuji?
- What is the current temperature in New York?
- Why is the sky blue?

## Question-Answering in DB Systems

Information as structured data: records

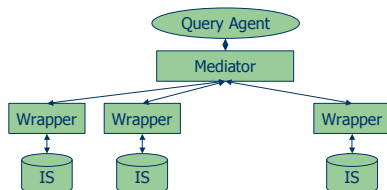
Data schema & query language



## Querying the Web

Information extraction w/o semantics

Web data management



## Frequently Asked Questions

Many answers have been collected and organized in various FAQs online.

[FAQ Agent](#) (Digital 3G, Inc.)

[FAQ Finder](#) (R. Burke et al.)

[.faq Finder](#)

[Internet FAQ Archives](#)