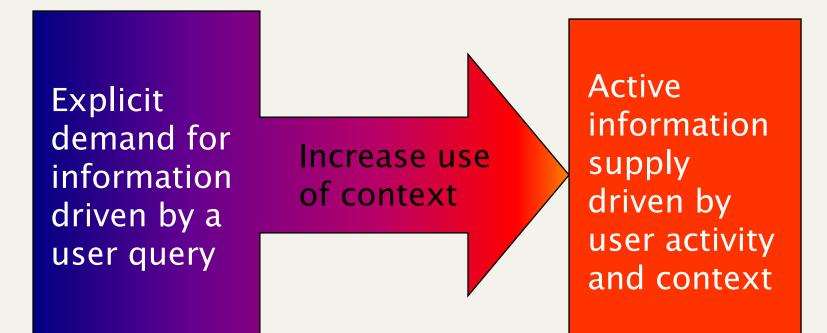
Three challenges in Web IR

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From Information Retrieval to Information Supply



Supply: Car Navigation: Maps \rightarrow GPS



Search economics

- Advertising in general and search driven ads in particular are the economic engine behind the web
- Slew of scientific challenges
 - Mechanism design (bidding, pricing, etc)
 - On line matching (budgets, etc)
 - Economics (auction theory, advertising, micro & macro economics, etc)
 - User experience, privacy, etc
 - Information supply
 - Match context with information

Social search

- The next chapter of the Web story seems to be collective but specialized sharing on a mass scale
 - Lots of communities driven by common interests and the availability of enabling tools
- Challenge: leverage "human computing"
 - metadata/user-generated content in the form of tagging, sharing, connections, reviews, etc
 - Flickr, Delicious, Blogs, Groups, Explicit Social Networks, etc
 - Social engineering/tools to stimulate HC: ESP game, MySpace, Human Experts, etc
 - Technical & UI aspects: how do we incorporate people's opinion in search results? Recommender systems, reputation, networks, etc.

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