



Sharing Sensitive Data with Confidence

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The screenshot shows the Harvard University Privacy Tools Project website. At the top, it features the Harvard University logo and the text "HARVARD UNIVERSITY" and "HARVARD.EDU". Below this, there are links for "CONTACT" and "OPEN POSITIONS". The main heading is "Harvard University Privacy Tools Project" with a search bar to its right. A navigation menu includes "Home", "Research", "News", "People", "Publications", "Software", "Outreach", and "Grants". The main content area features a large image with a question mark and the text "A National Science Foundation Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace Project, with support from the Sloan Foundation and Google, Inc." To the right, there is a section titled "LATEST NEWS & BLOG POSTS" with several news items, including "Dataverse Community Meeting 2016: Managing Privacy in Research Data Repositories" and "Privacy Tools paper presented at the Privacy Law Scholars Conference".

<http://datatags.org>

The screenshot shows the DataTags website. At the top, there is a logo for "DataTags" with the tagline "Share Sensitive Data with Confidence". Navigation links for "PRESENTATIONS" and "PUBLICATIONS" are visible. The main content area contains a paragraph explaining the importance of data sharing in research and organizations, and a "View Demo" button. Below this, there are four categories of tools: "DataTags Repositories" (represented by a database icon), "DataTagging Tools" (represented by a document icon), "Legal Modeling" (represented by a building icon), and "Privacy Preserving Tools" (represented by a magnifying glass icon).

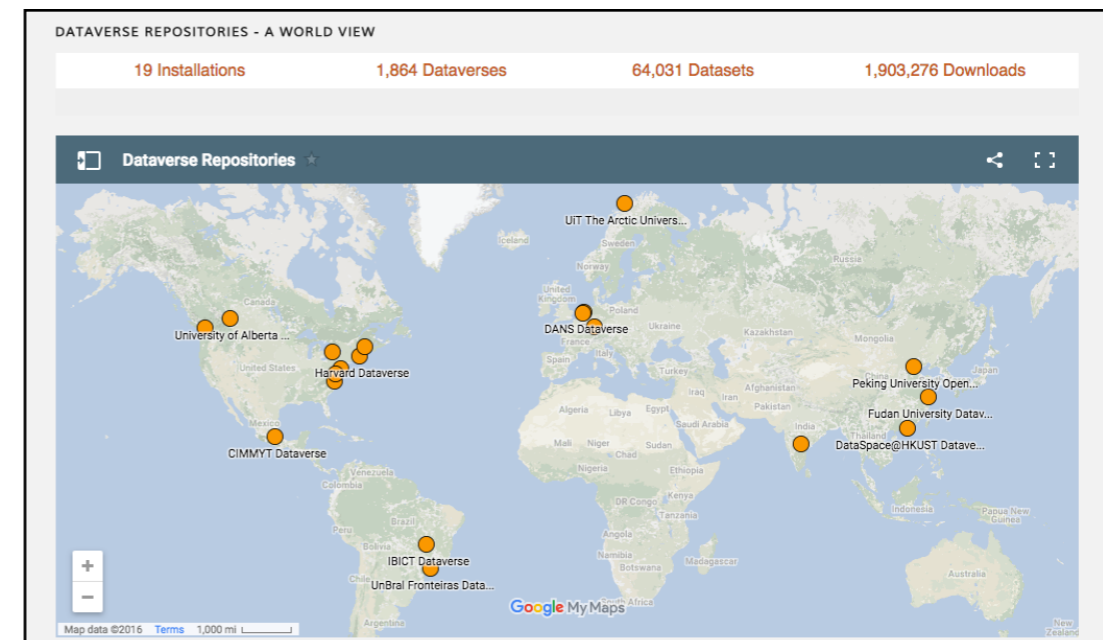
DataTags:

- is part of the Harvard University Privacy Tools Project
- now is being integrated with Dataverse

<http://dataverse.org>



Open source research data repository software



A **datatag** is a set of security features and access requirements for file handling.

A **datatags repository** is one that stores and shares data files in accordance with a standardized and ordered levels of security and access requirements

DataTags Levels

Tag Type	Description	Security Features	Access Credentials
Blue	Public	Clear storage, Clear transmit	Open
Green	Controlled public	Clear storage, Clear transmit	Email- or OAuth Verified Registration
Yellow	Accountable	Clear storage, Encrypted transmit	Password, Registered, Approval, Click-through DUA
Orange	More accountable	Encrypted storage, Encrypted transmit	Password, Registered, Approval, Signed DUA
Red	Fully accountable	Encrypted storage, Encrypted transmit	Two-factor authentication, Approval, Signed DUA
Crimson	Maximally restricted	Multi-encrypted storage, Encrypted transmit	Two-factor authentication, Approval, Signed DUA

DataTags and their respective policies

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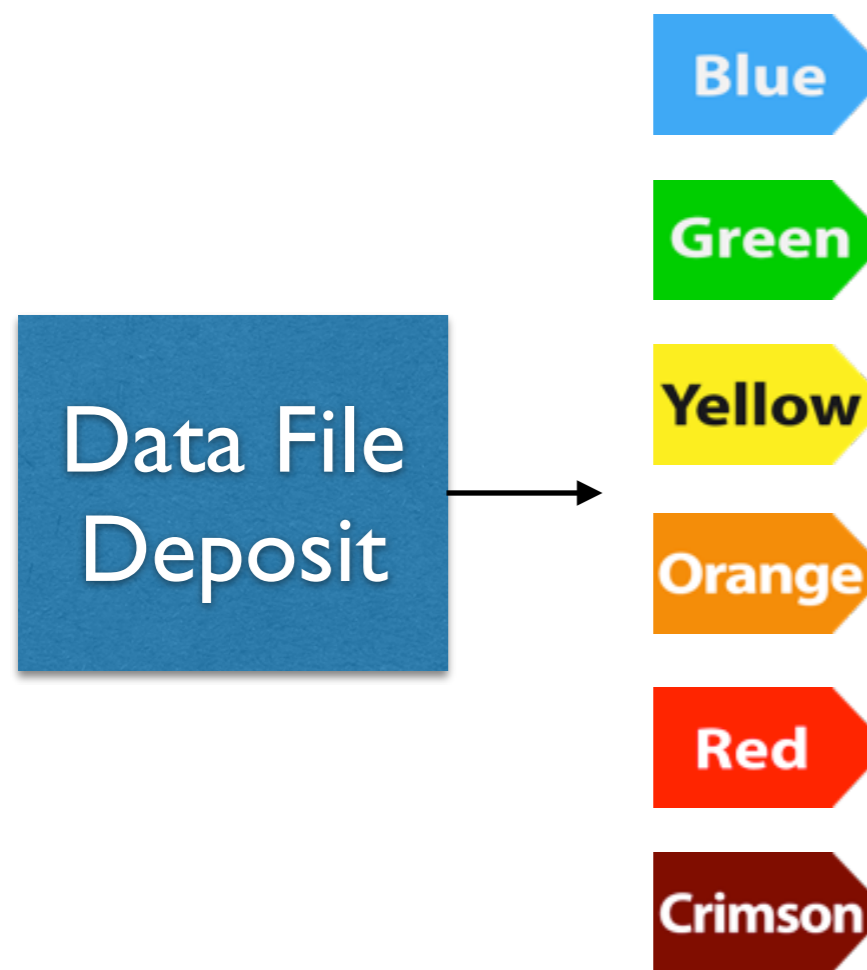
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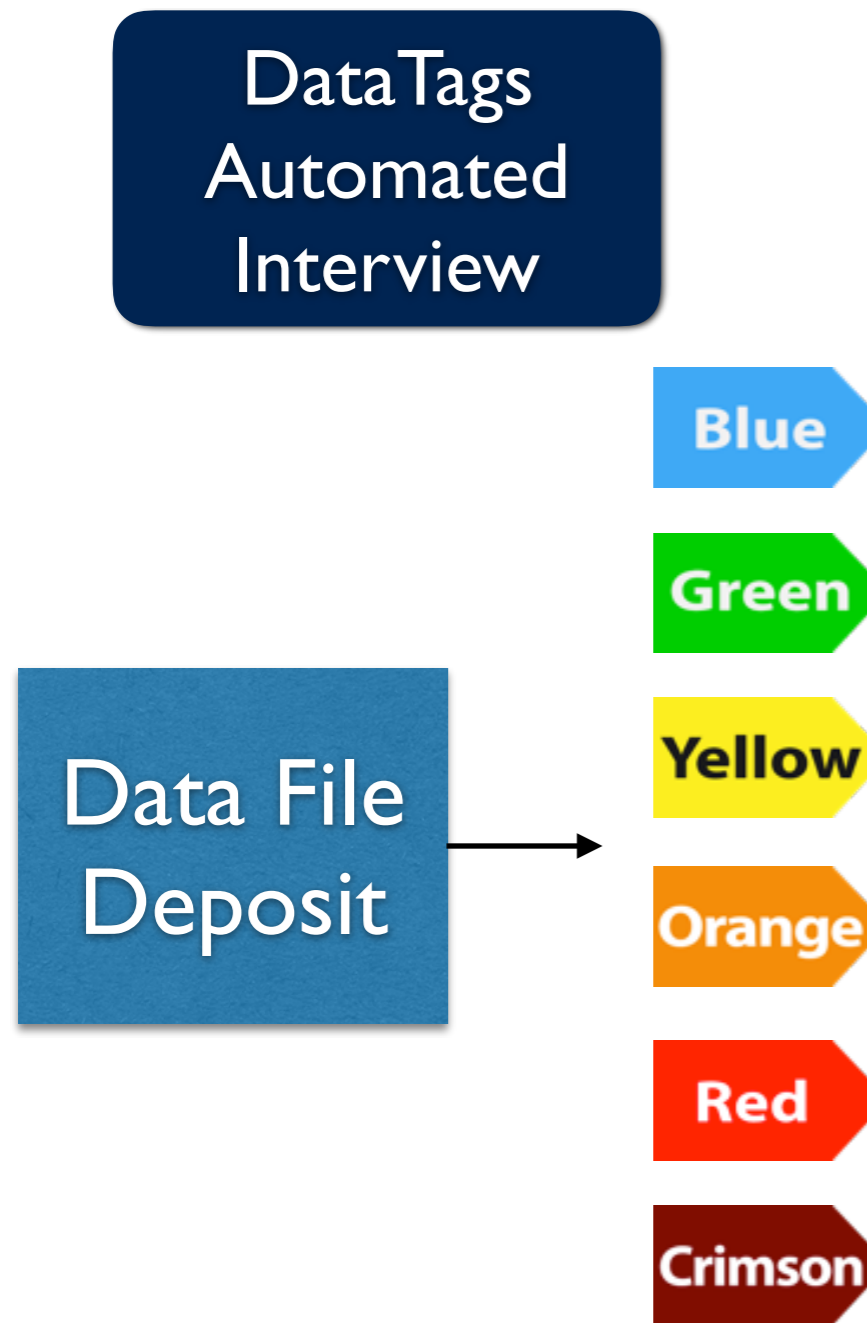
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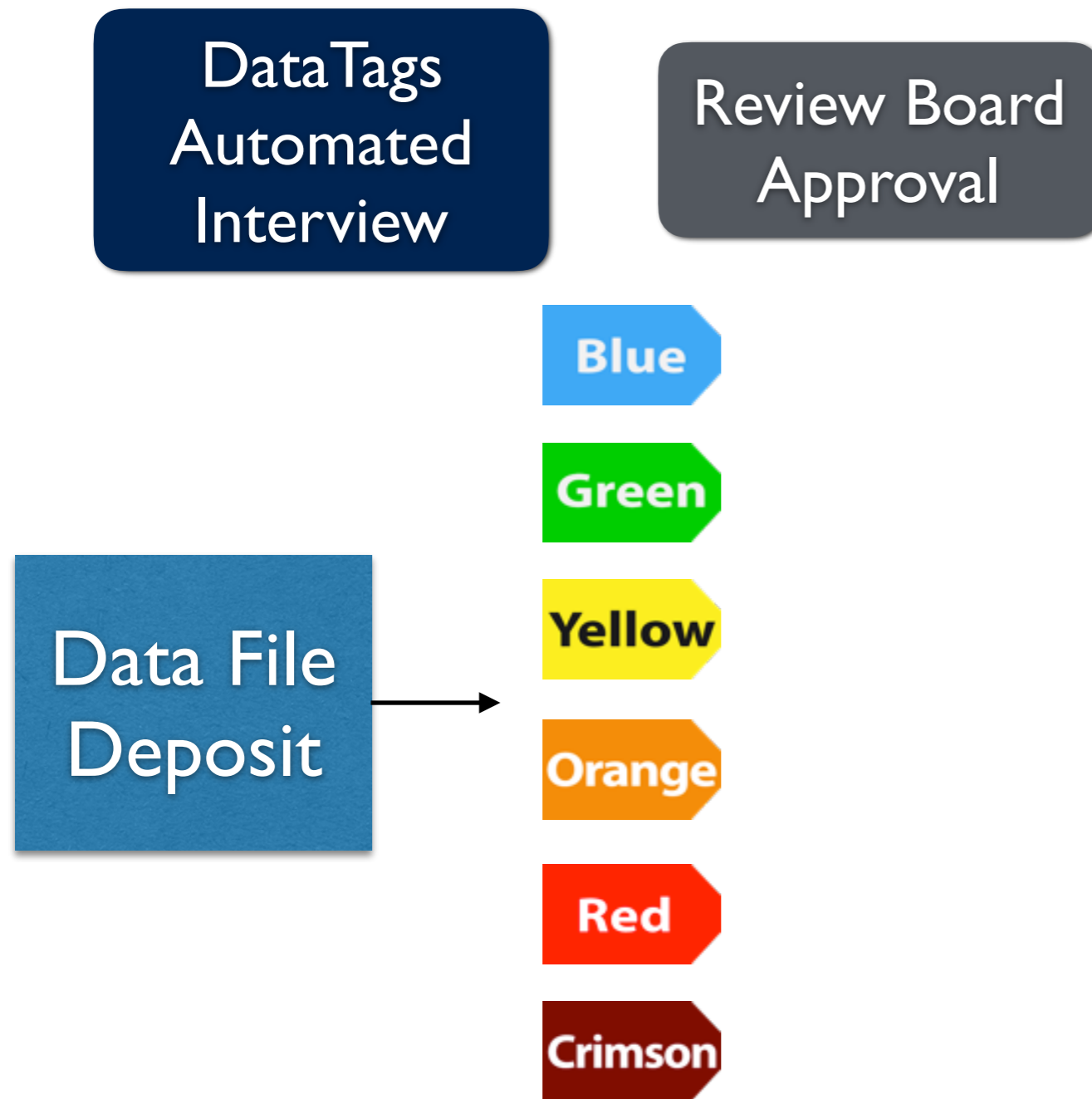
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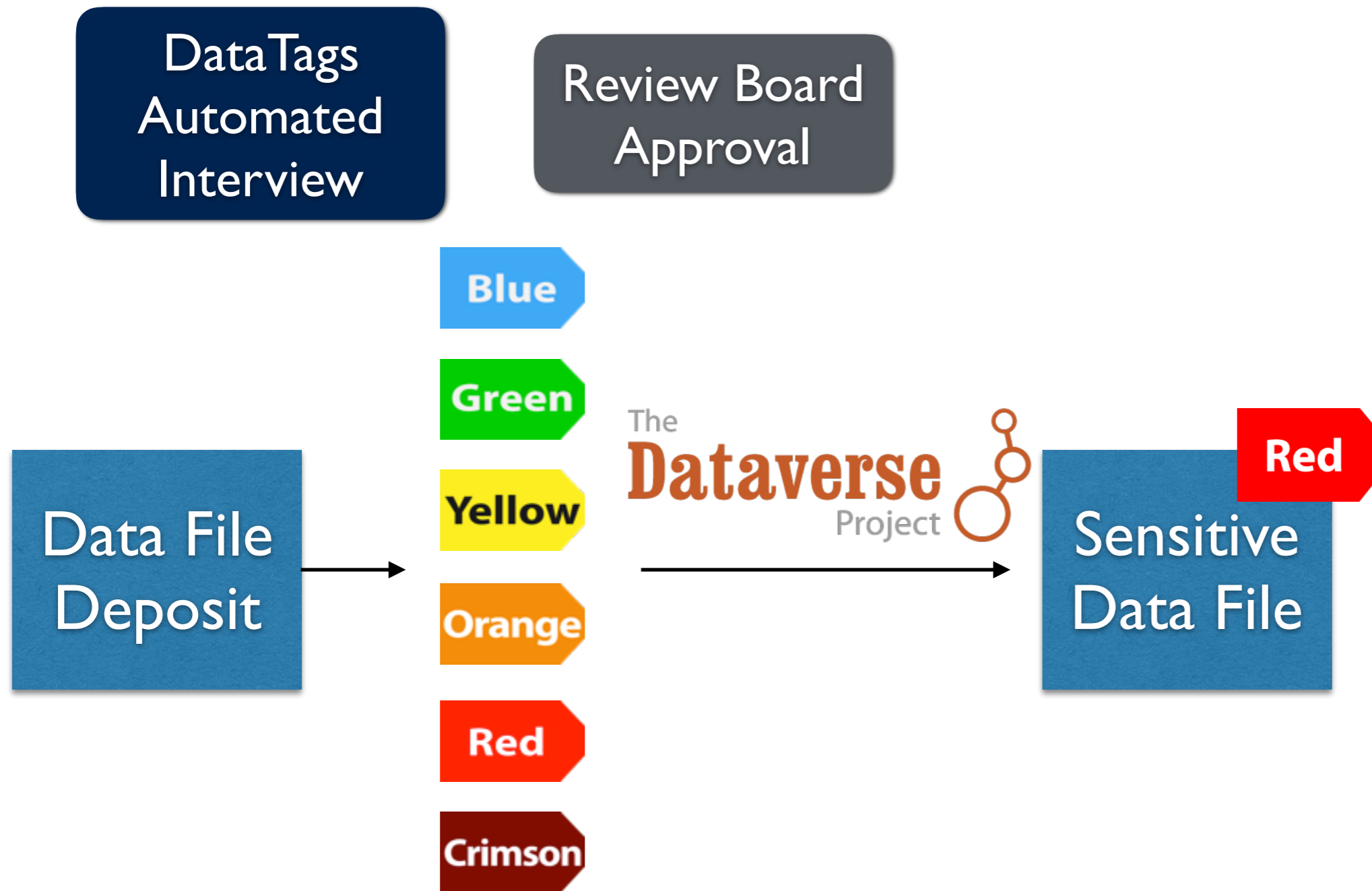
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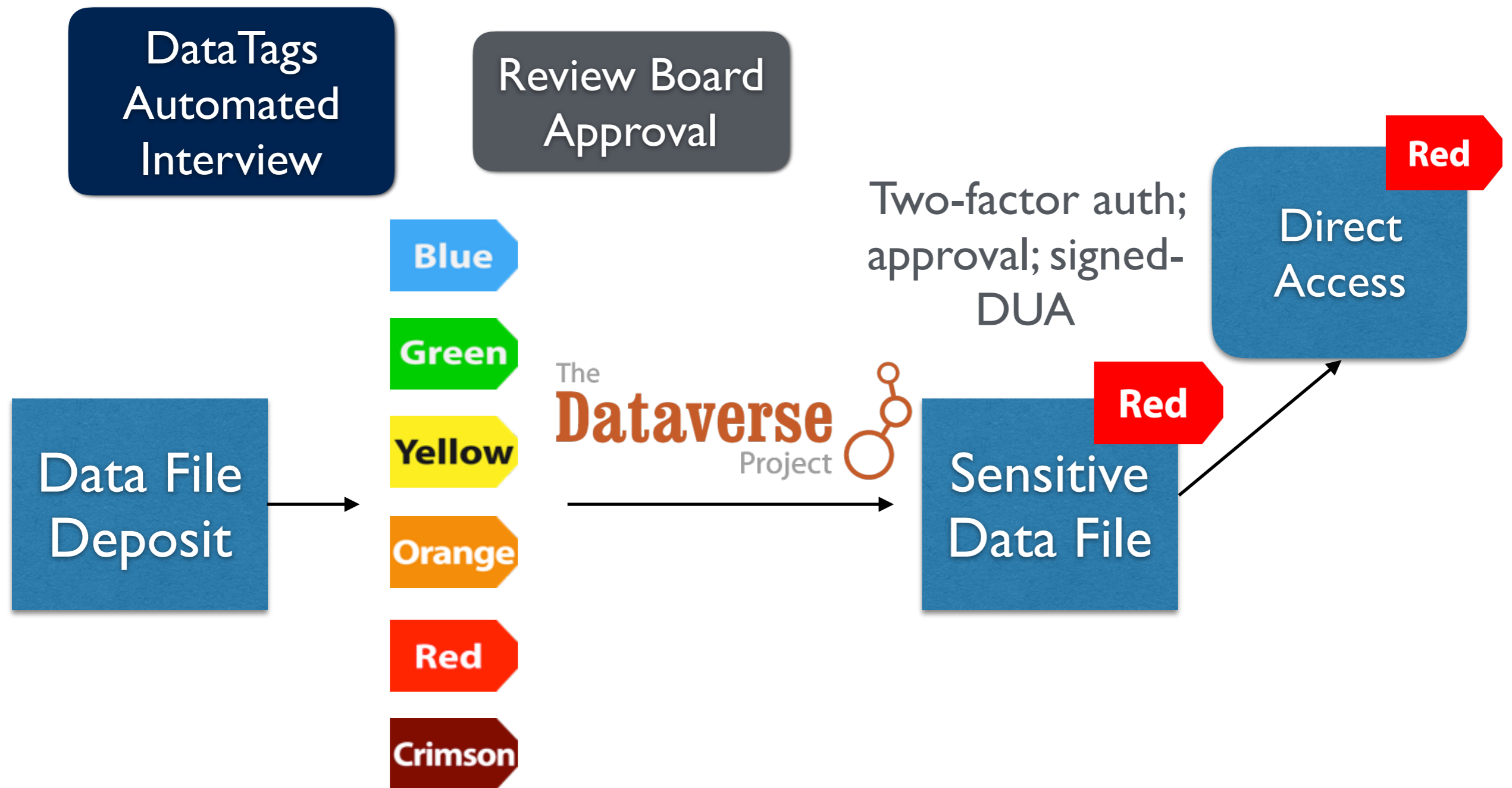
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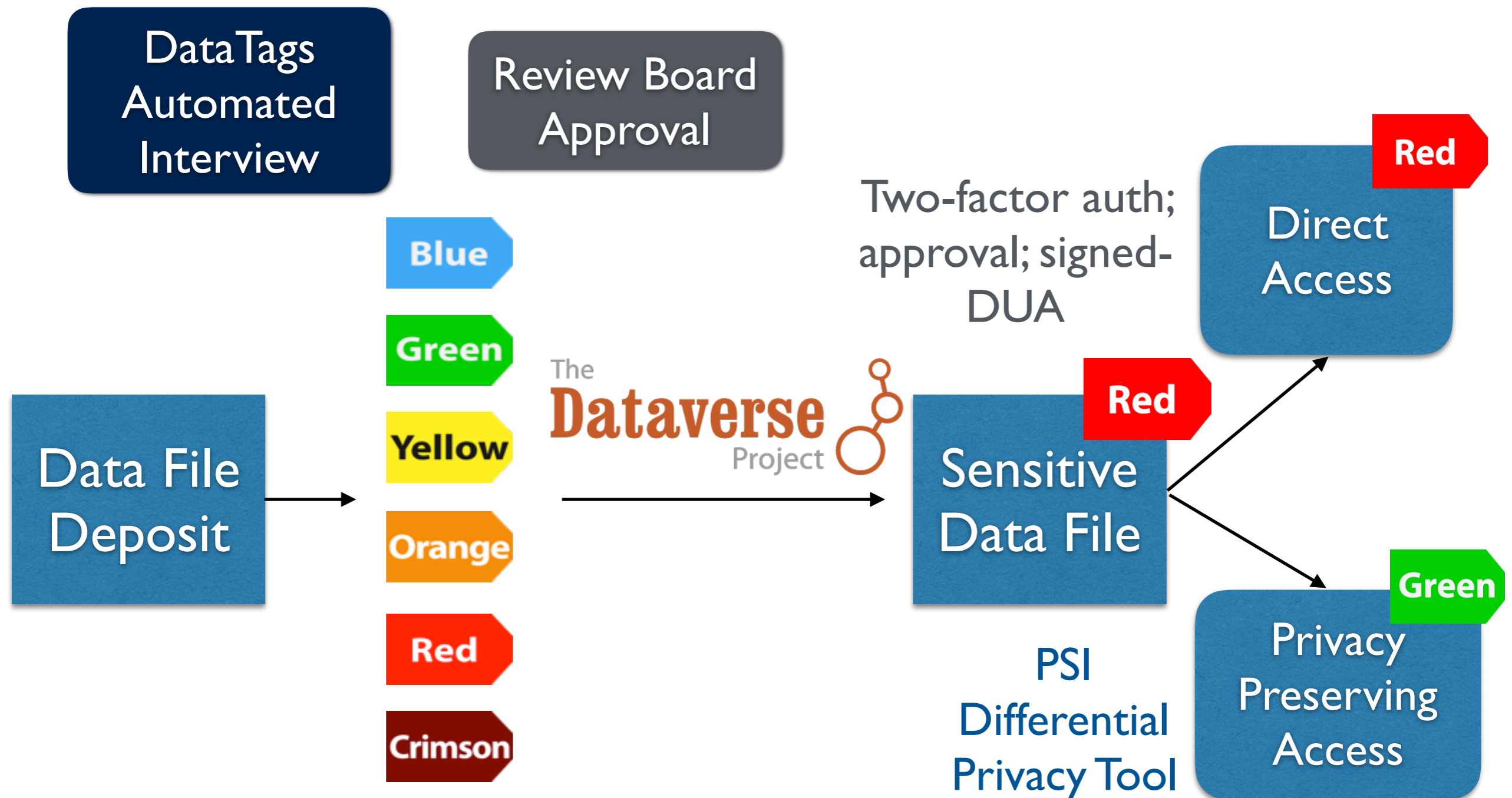
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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL www.datatags.org/interviews/FlowChartSet-1/start. The page features a blue header with the question "Question: Please select one answer" and the text "Do the data concern living persons?". Below the question are two buttons: "Yes" and "No".

Below the question are two panels: "Answer Feed" and "Current Tags".

Answer Feed
This space will contain your answers, and will allow you to revisit them when needed.

Current Tags
This space will contain the tags for your dataset. It will be updated as we go along.

Engine Trace
Useful for debugging the interview

Id	Type	Info
\$0	ask	Do the data concern living persons?

A warning message at the bottom reads: "Project is in Beta. Don't use the tags as a legal recommendation." The footer includes the text "DataTags project. © 2013 by the President and Fellows of Harvard College." and logos for "Dataverse Network" and other institutions.

The DataTags automated interview ...

The screenshot displays the DataTags automated interview interface. The main window shows a question: "Do the data contain health or medical information?" with "Yes" and "No" buttons. Below the question is an "Answer Feed" section with a "Revisit" button. To the right, the "Current Tags" section shows a "DataTags" tag with a "Code" of "green". At the bottom, an "Engine Trace" table provides a log of the interview process.

Id	Type	Info
medicalRecordsCompliance	ask	Do the data contain health or medical information?
\$4	call	medicalRecordsCompliance
\$3	set	[TagValue name:null type:[CompoundType name:DataTags]]
\$0	ask	Do the data concern living persons?

The DataTags automated interview ...

The image shows three overlapping browser windows of the DataTags automated interview system. The top window displays a question: "Do the data concern living...". The middle window shows a question: "Do the data contain he...". The bottom window shows a question: "Do the data contain information from a covered entity or business associate of a covered entity?".

Question: Please select one answer

Do the data contain information from a covered entity or business associate of a covered entity?

Terms

Business associate
A business associate is any person or organization, including a subcontractor, that acts on behalf of, or provides services to, a covered entity involving the use or disclosure of protected health information. This includes, but is not limited to, legal, actuarial, accounting, consulting, claim processing, data analysis, administration, utilization review, quality assurance, billing, benefit management, practice management, and re-pricing activities.

Covered entity
A covered entity is a health plan, health care clearinghouse, or health care provider that transmits any health information in electronic form.

- Health plans include health insurance companies, health maintenance organizations [HMOs], company health plans, and government programs that pay for health care, such as Medicare, Medicaid, and the military and veterans health care programs.
- Health care providers include doctors, clinics, psychologists, dentists, chiropractors, nursing homes, and pharmacies.
- Health care clearinghouses include entities that process nonstandard health information they receive from another entity into a standard, i.e. standard electronic format or data content, or vice versa.

Yes Not Sure No

Answer Feed

Do the data contain information related to substance abuse diagnosis, referral, or treatment?

No Revisit

Current Tags

DataTags

Code green

Engine Trace
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\$0	ask

DataTags project. © 2014

... helps you generate a machine-readable datatag for your data

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `www.datatags.org/interviews/questionnaireId/accept`. The page features a green header bar with the text "Dataset Can be Accepted". Below this, a message states "Your dataset is tagged as **Orange**" with a sub-note: "May include sensitive, identifiable personal information, shared with verified and/or approved recipients under agreement." The main content area is titled "DataTags" and is organized into sections: "Legal", "MedicalRecords", "EducationRecords", "ContractOrPolicy", "GovernmentRecords", "Code", and "Assertions".

Category	Tag
Legal	
MedicalRecords	HIPAA safeHarborDeidentified
EducationRecords	PPRA protectedDeidentified , consent
ContractOrPolicy	no
GovernmentRecords	DPPA highlyRestricted
Code	orange
Assertions	

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Bar-Sinai M, Sweeney L, Crosas M. DataTags, Data Handling Policy Spaces, and the Tags Language. Proceedings of the International Workshop on Privacy Engineering. 2016. IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy

<http://datatags.org> (Demo of DataTags automated interview)

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