what questions are we being asked?

- 'are these the same people?' = non-specific
- what constitutes *evidence/propositions*?
- different 'users' – nature of the question can change

… and how do we answer them?

- LR approach advocated by UK G'ment FSR
- But… court issues with numerical LR (R v T [2010])/ framework dictates to methodology
- verbal LR – support statement
  - best (??) solution in practice (if not ideal solution in theory)
- typicality: experience, expertise, descriptive literature, limited empirical data

- ways forward:
  - being explicit about propositions and assumptions
  - communicating to users that evidence is conditional on assumptions
  - data sharing (of all kinds; crowd sourcing knowledge)
  - Validation of method = crucial

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