OBSERVABLE MICROSERVICES

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- Modeled around business concepts
- Culture of automation
- Hide internal implementation details
- Decentralize all the things
- Deploy independently
- Isolate Failure
- Highly observable

WHAT IS OBSERVABILITY?

*"**Observability** is the ability to interrogate your system and get accurate answers that improve your understanding of it"*

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Following

Monitoring is for operating software/systems
Instrumentation is for writing software
Observability is for understanding systems

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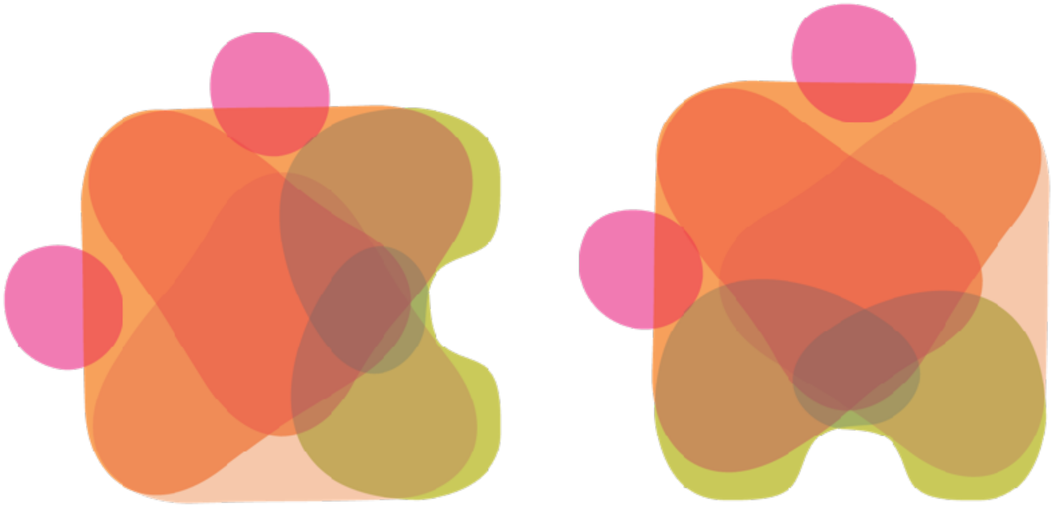
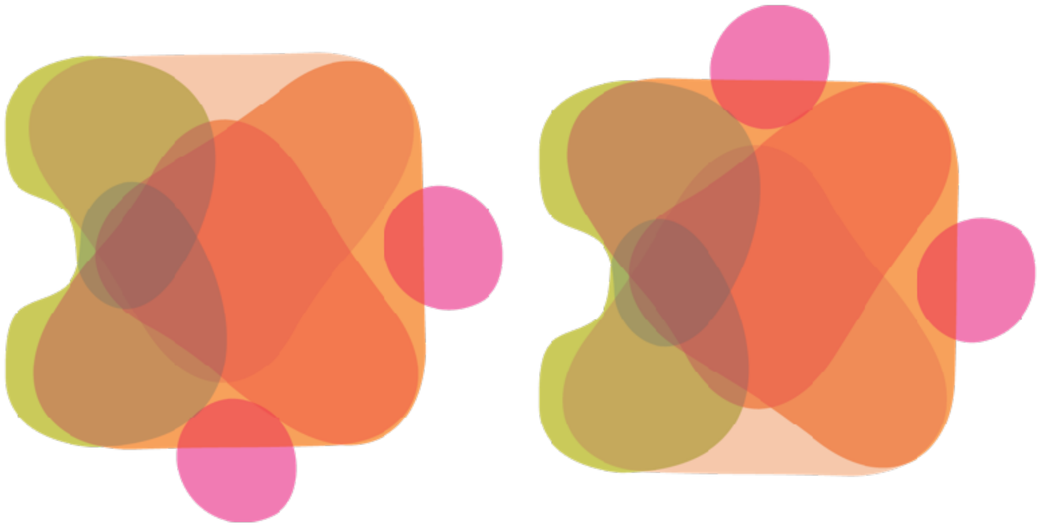
Logging



Monitoring

Tracing



Visualization & Alerting

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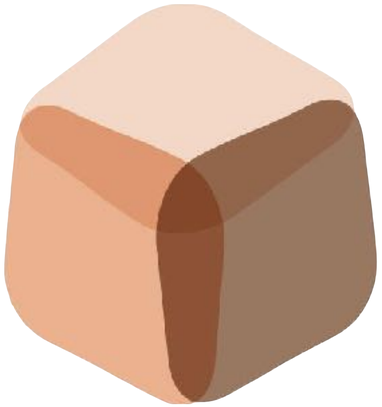

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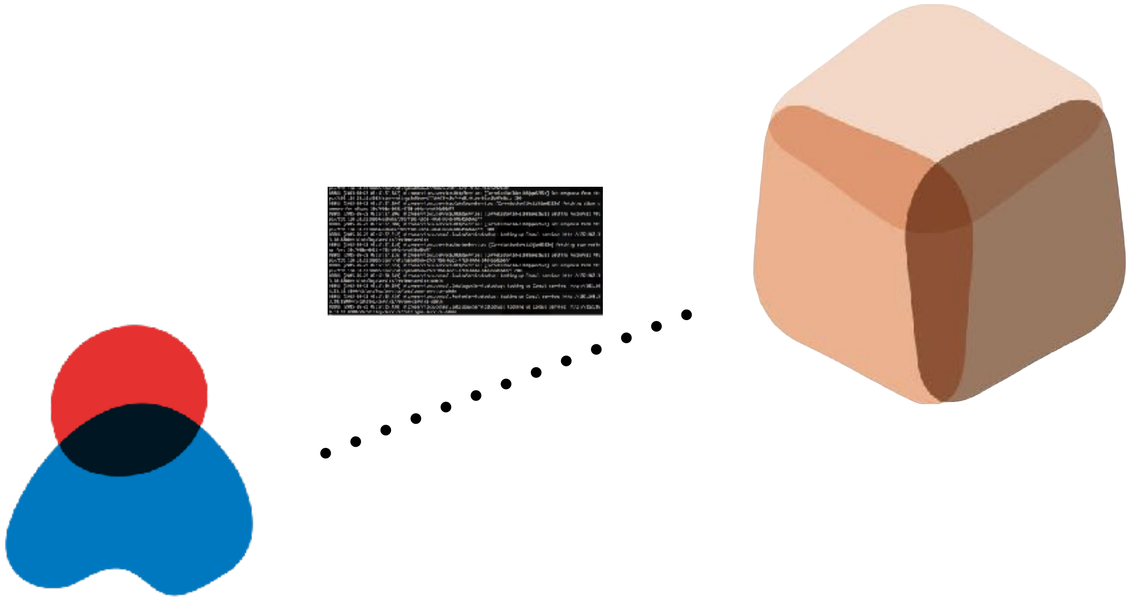

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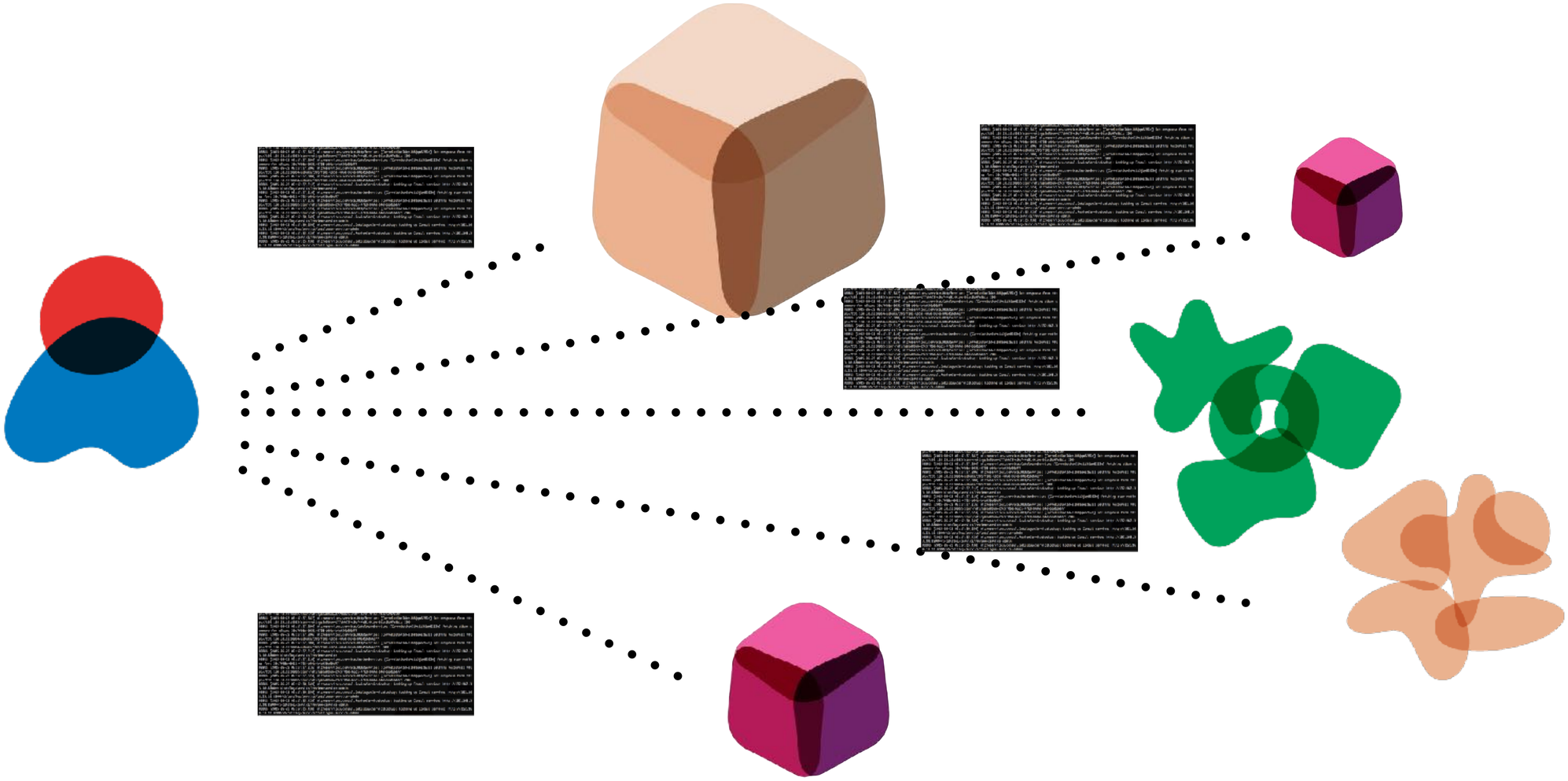

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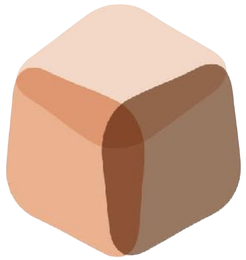

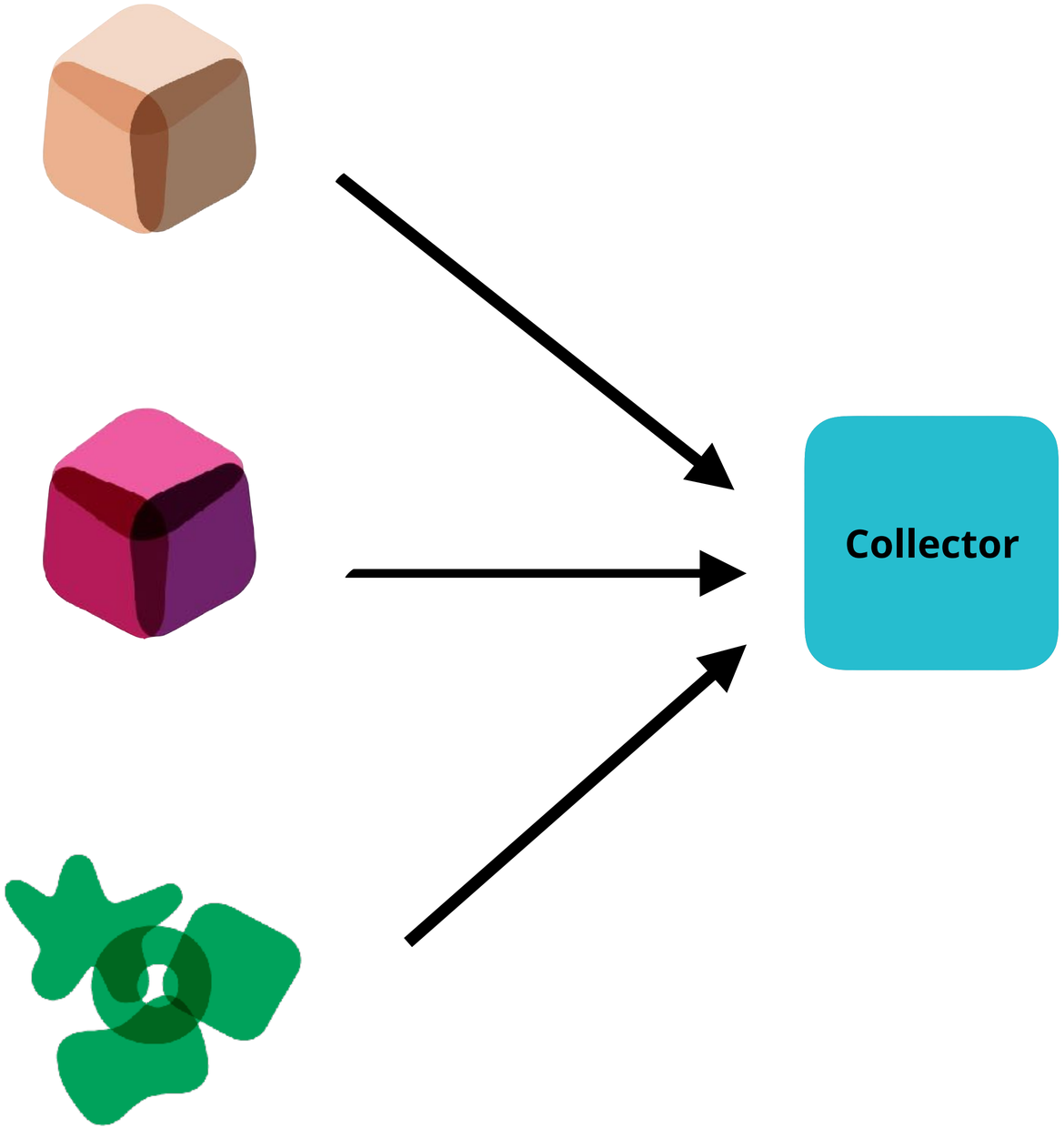

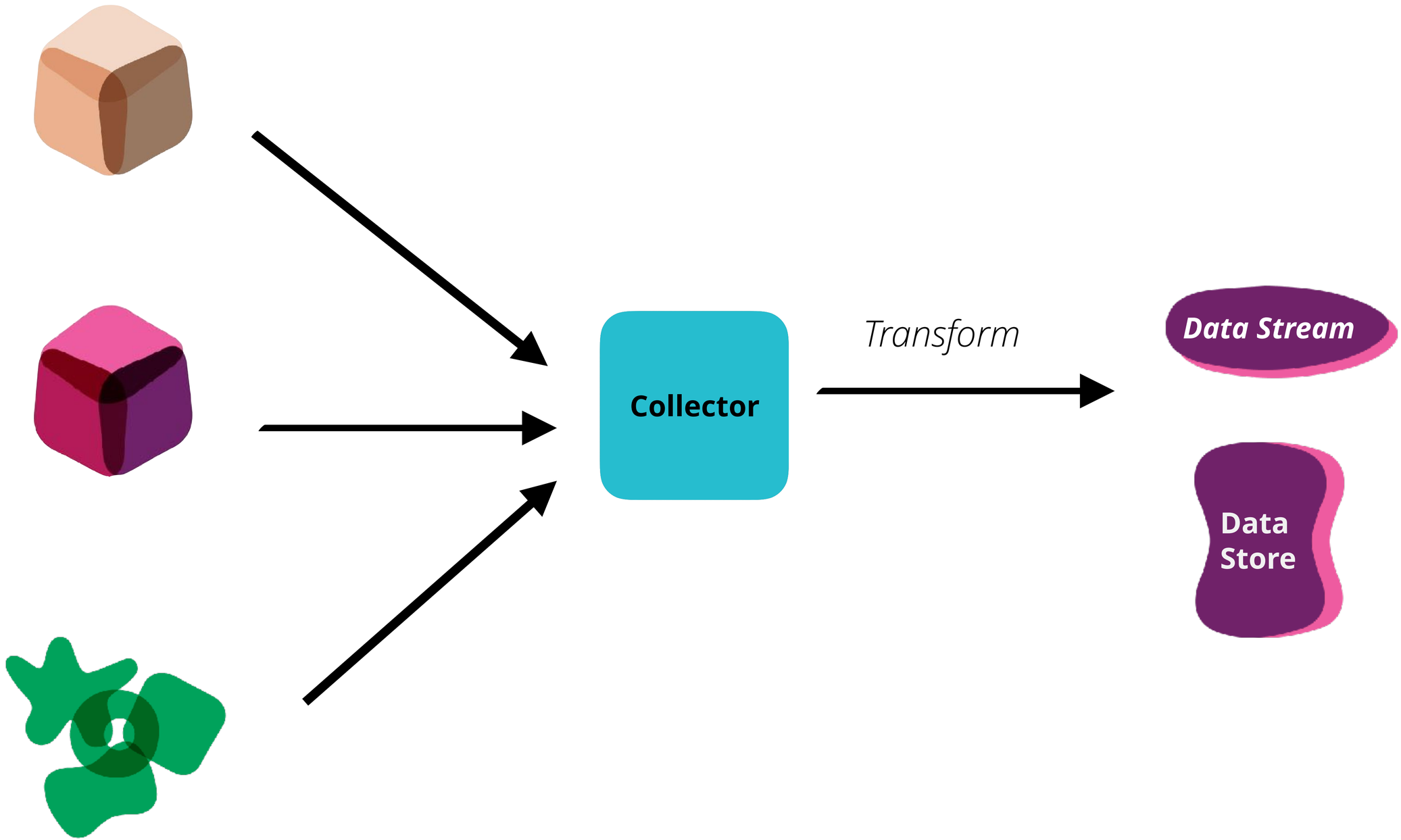

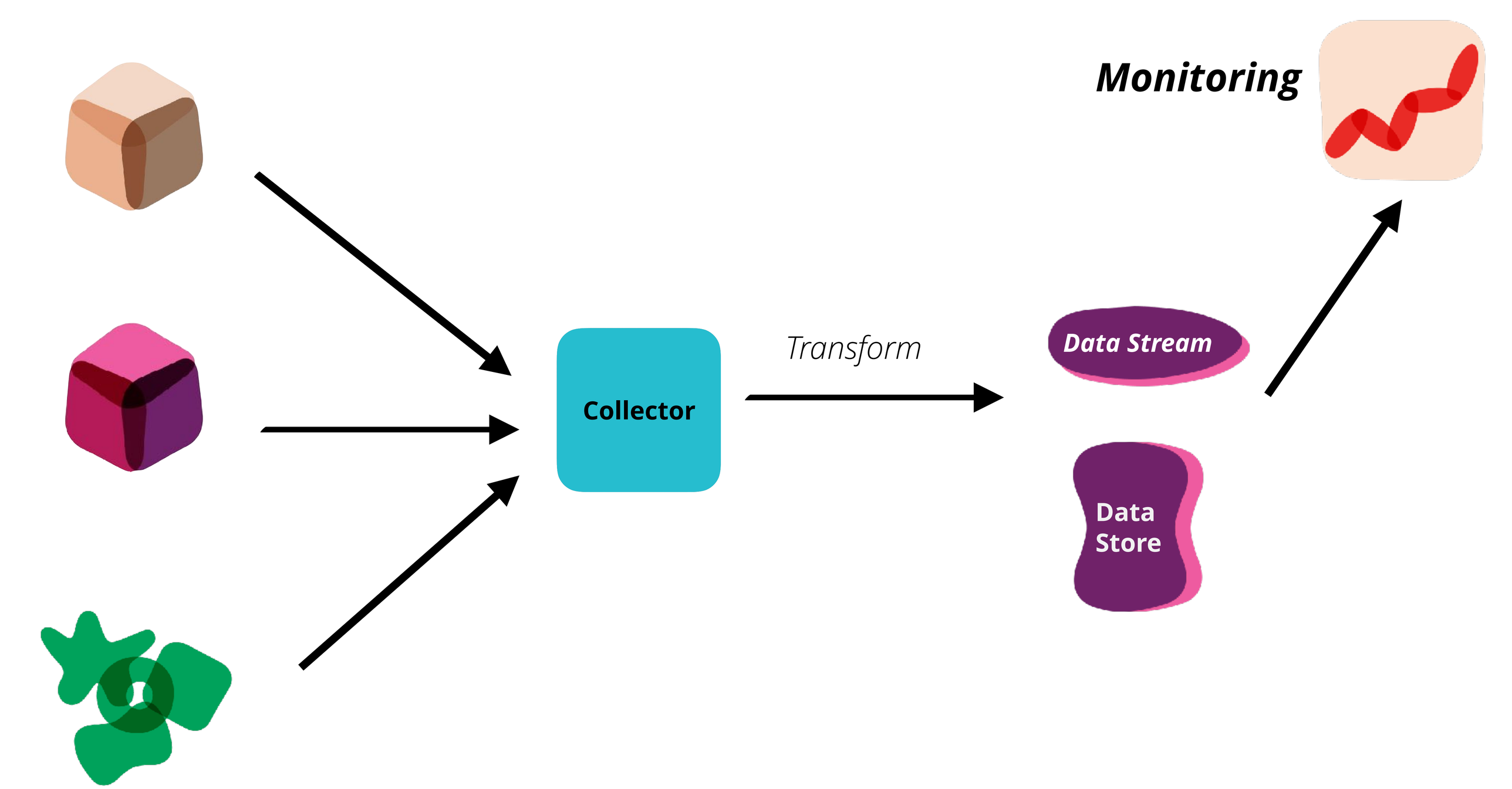

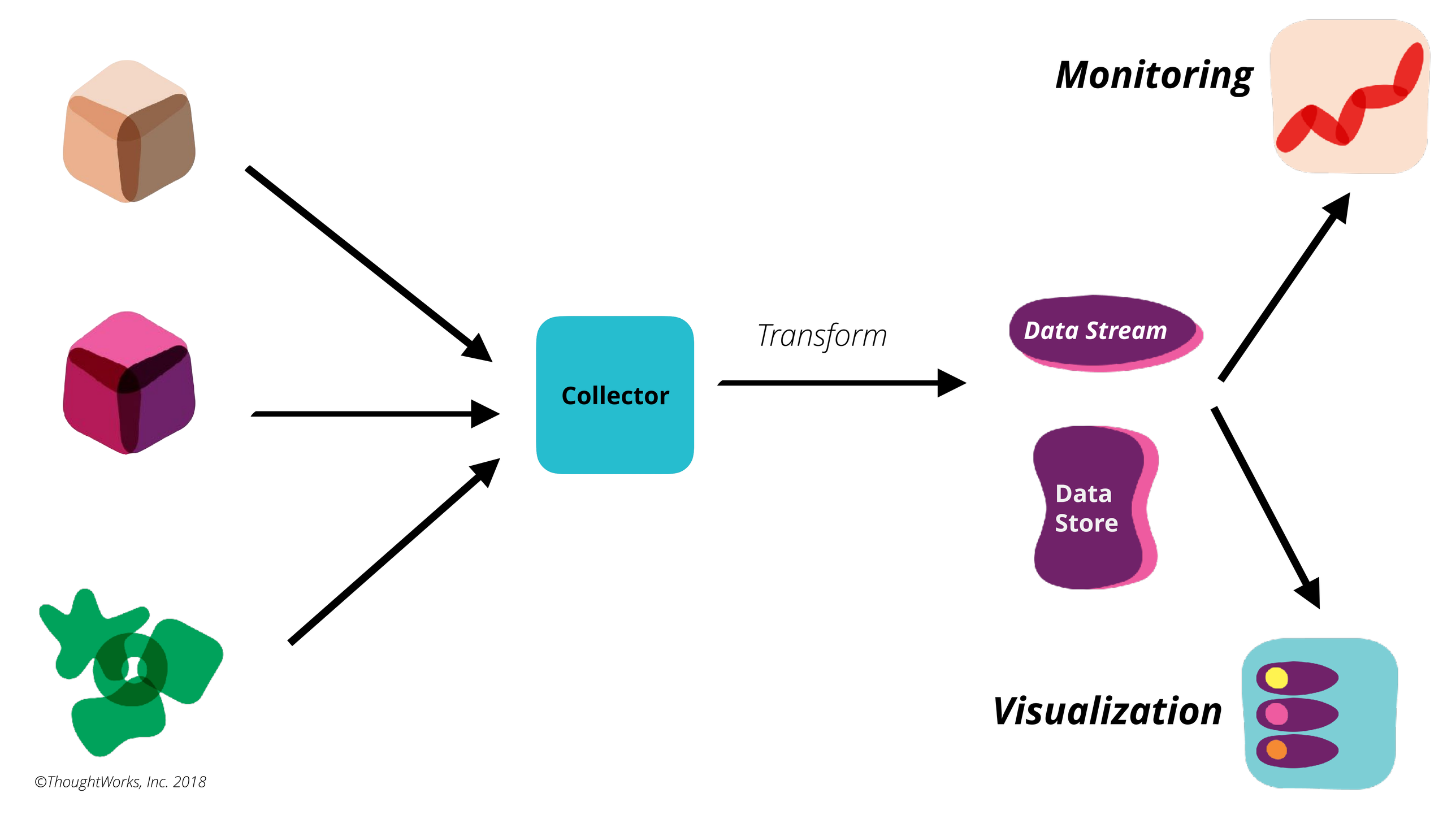

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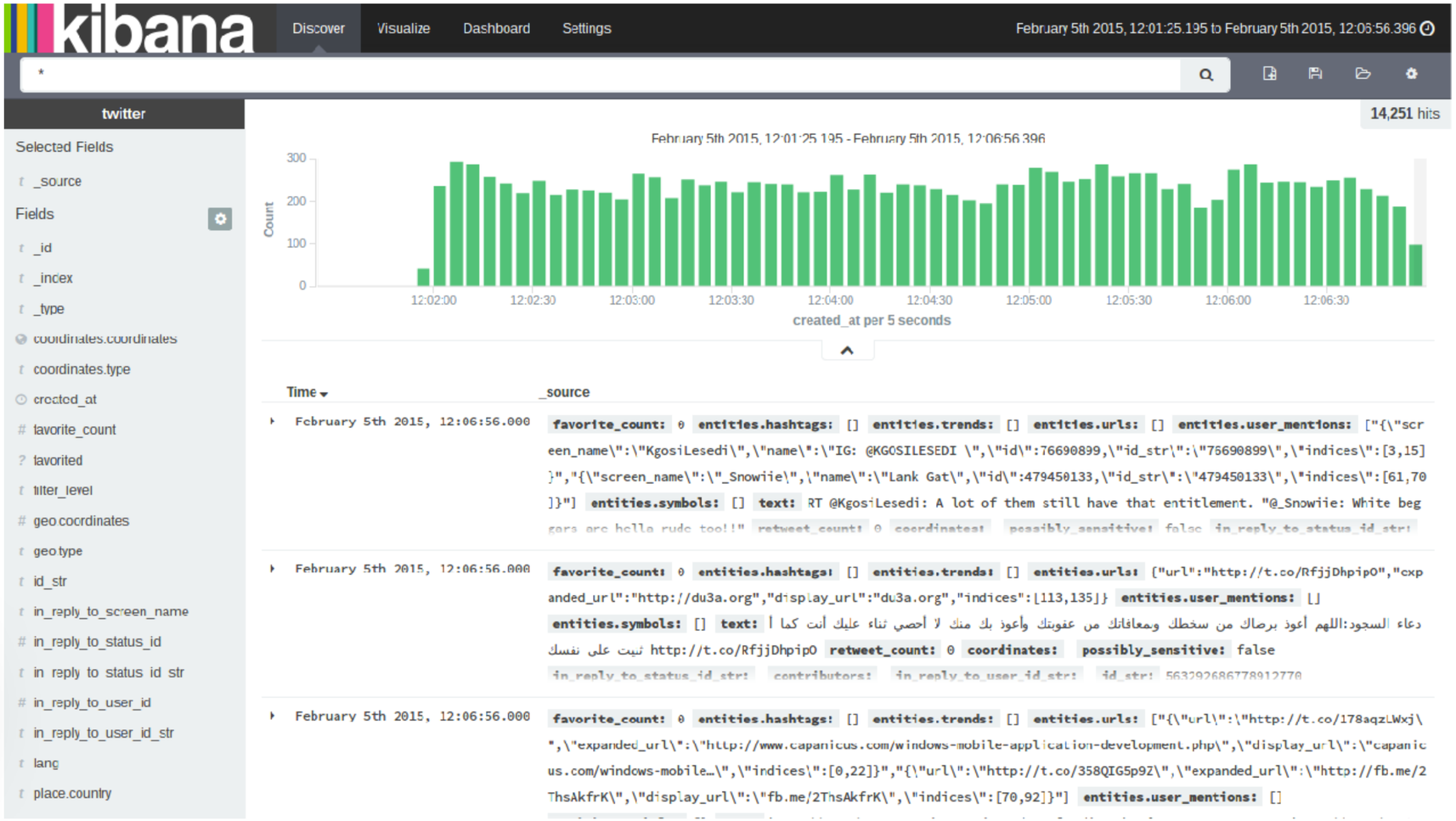

LOG STRUCTURED DATA

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   Host: “WEBSRVR06”,
   ServiceId: “MyShoppingCartService”,
   ComponentId: “DynamoDBWriter”,
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   ....
   ....
}
```

TRACK BUSINESS AND SYSTEM EVENTS

```
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   ServiceId: “MyShoppingCartService”,
   Type: “BusinessEvent”,
   Event: “ItemAddedToShoppingCart”,
   ItemDetail: {...}
   ....
   ....
```

STANDARDIZE

- Standardize certain keys across services
- Bake logging into into your service template
- Build a common log aggregation infrastructure

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MONITOR

Have enough information to help you make decisions

Evolves with your system

EXAMPLE

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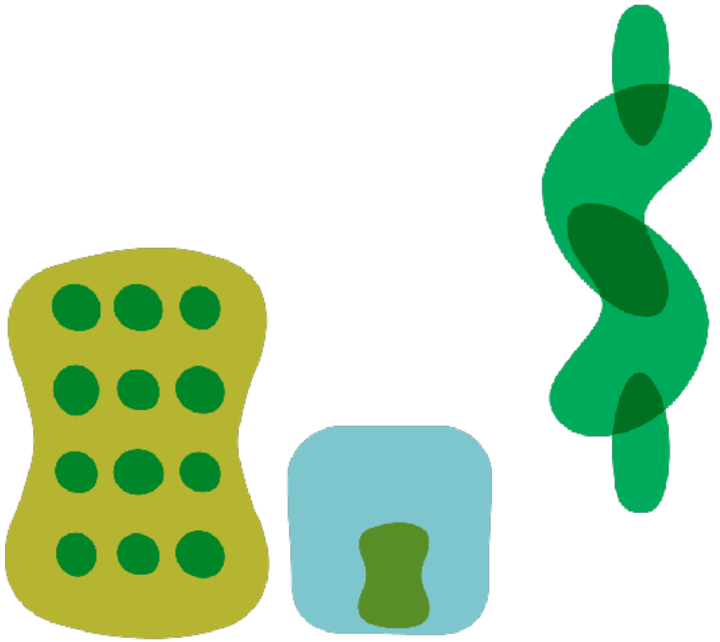
Online marketplace



3M+ articles
10M+ users per month

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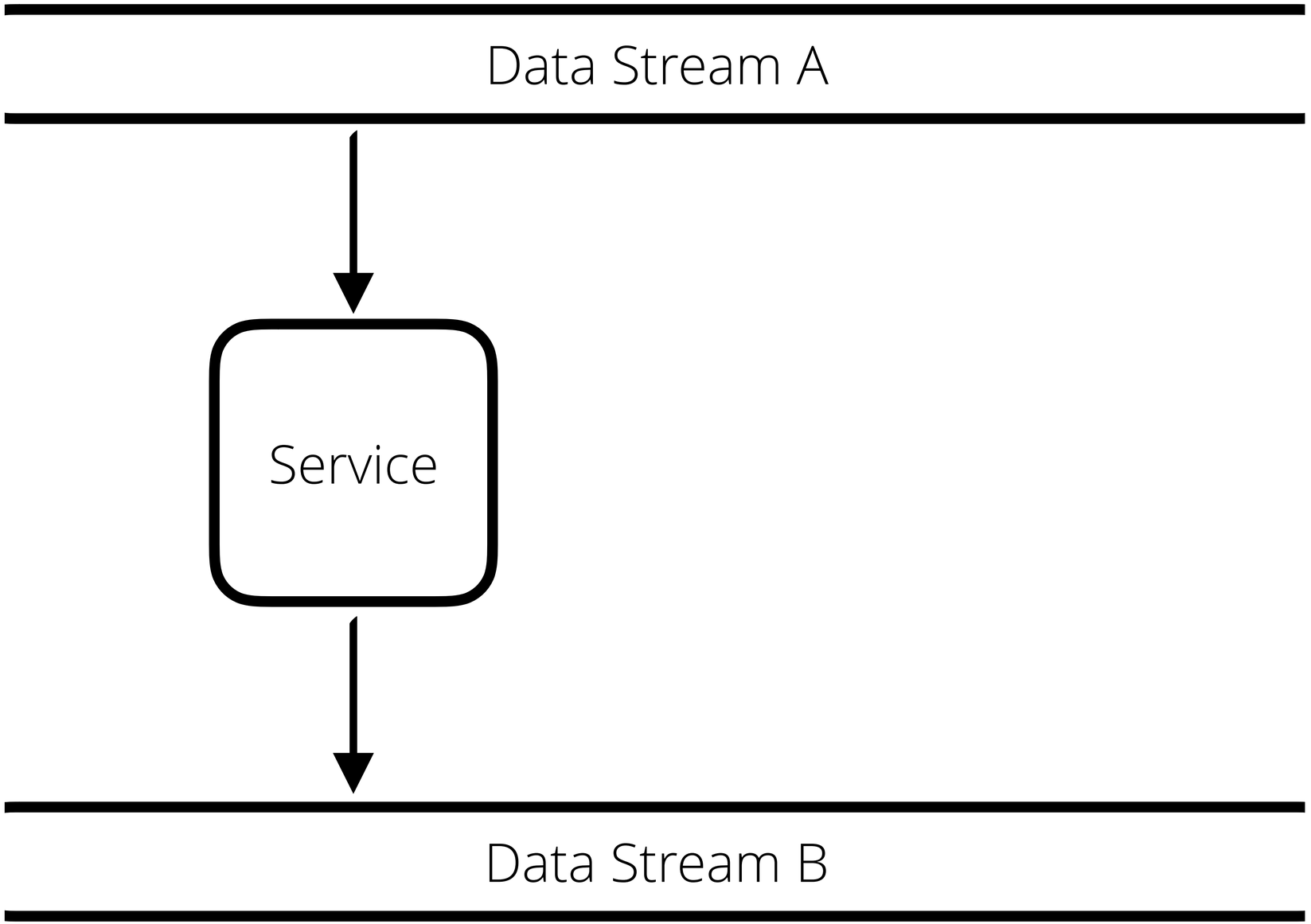

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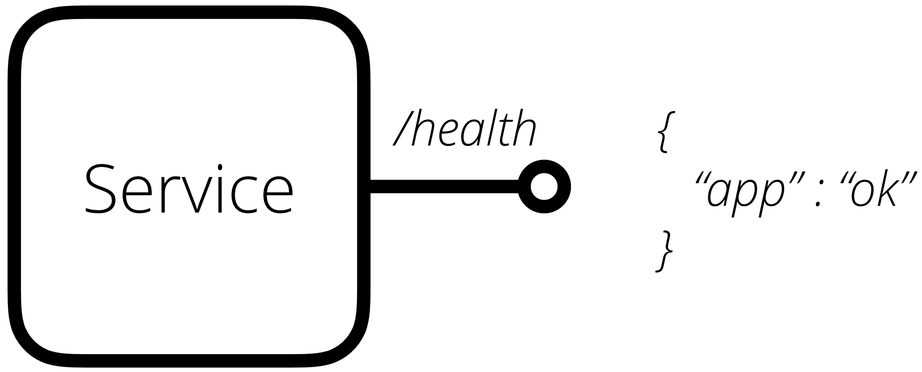

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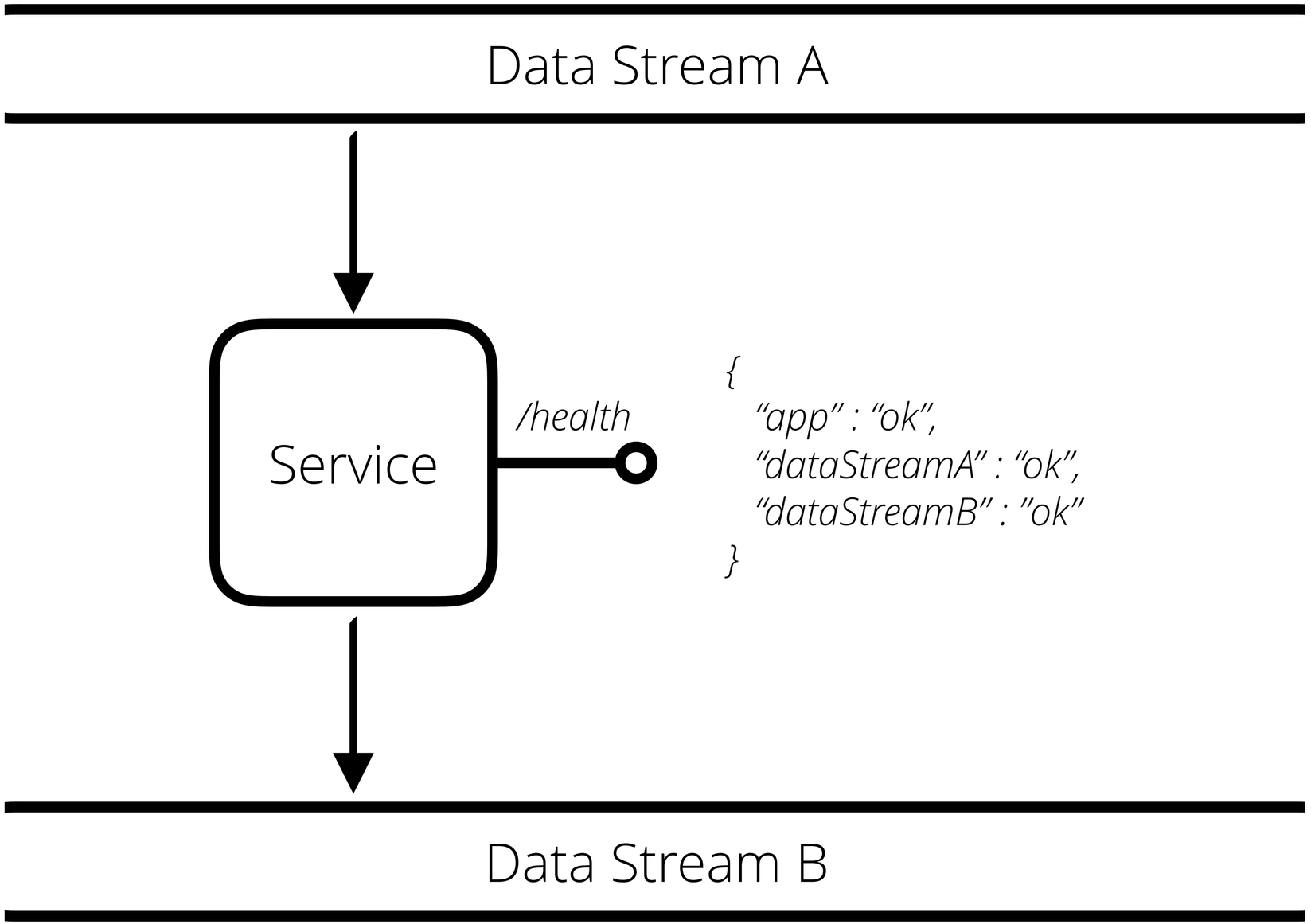

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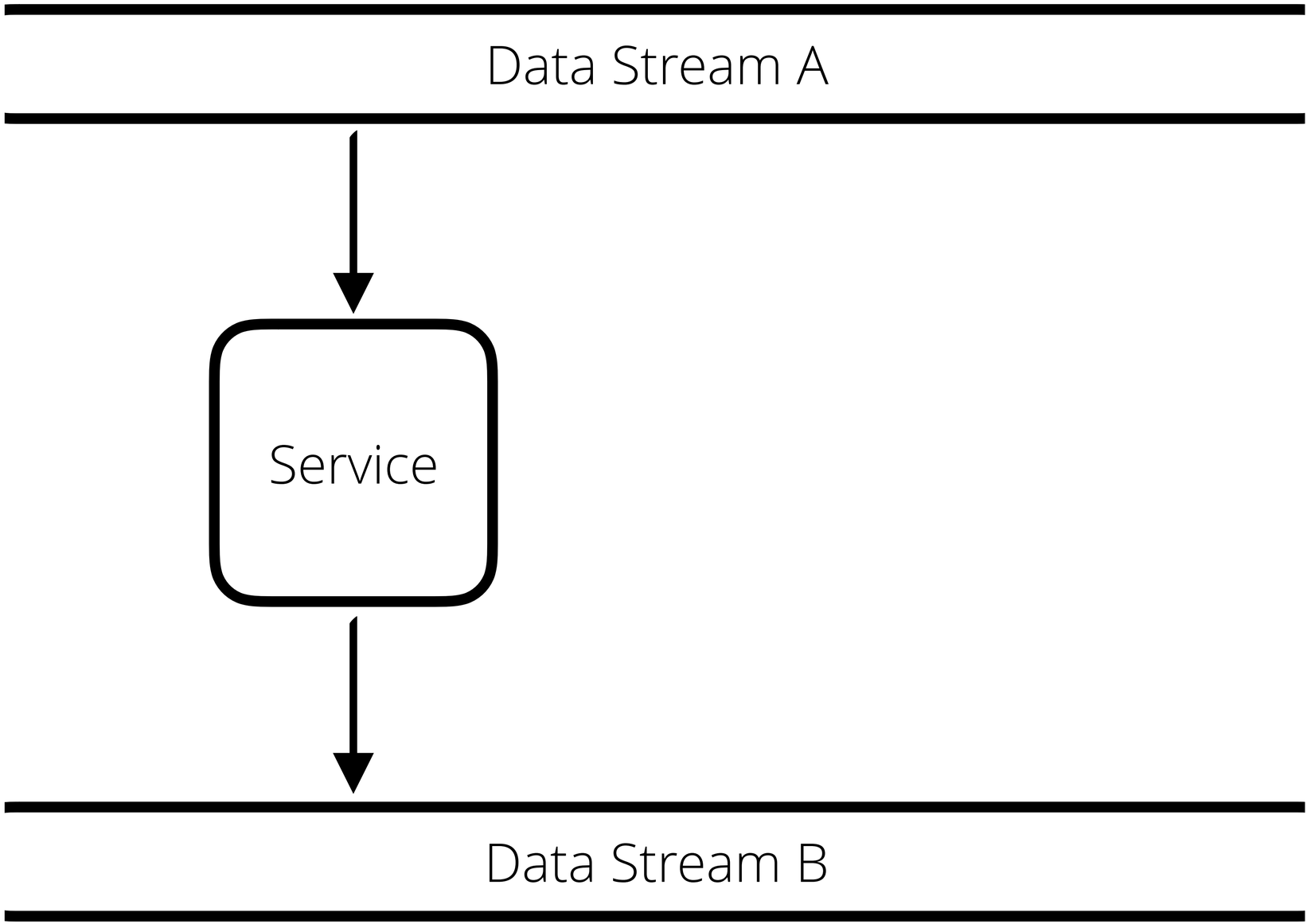

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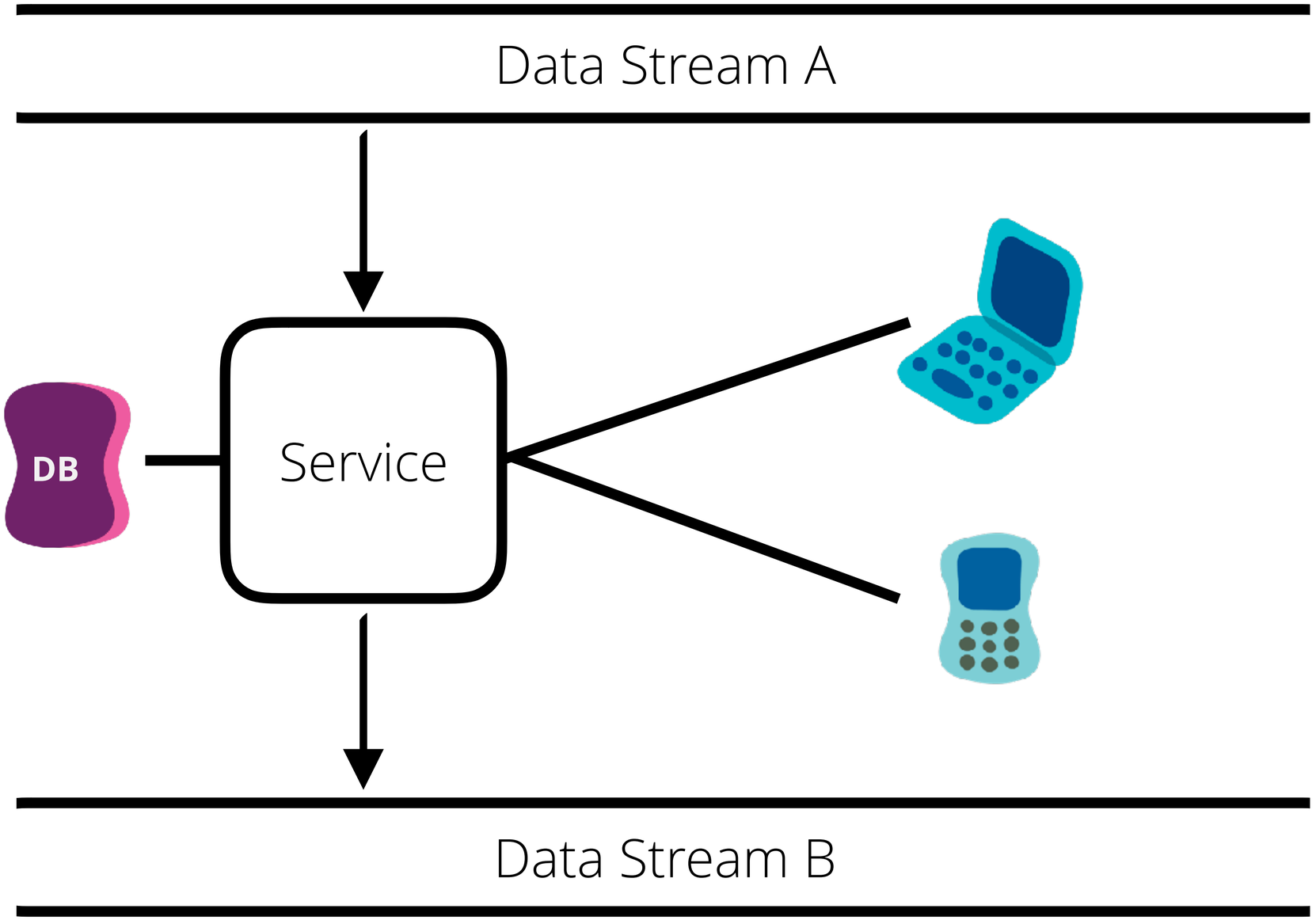

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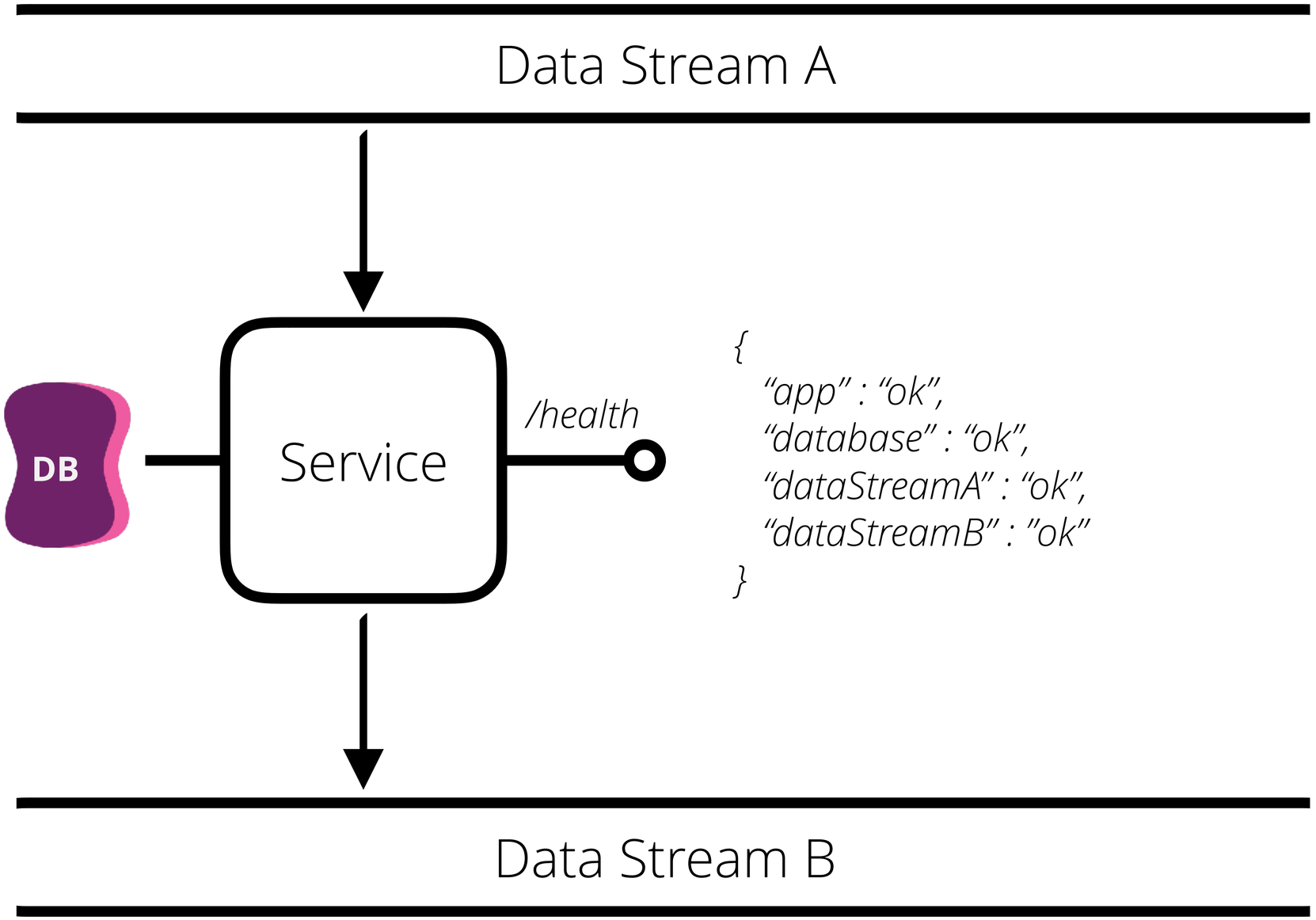
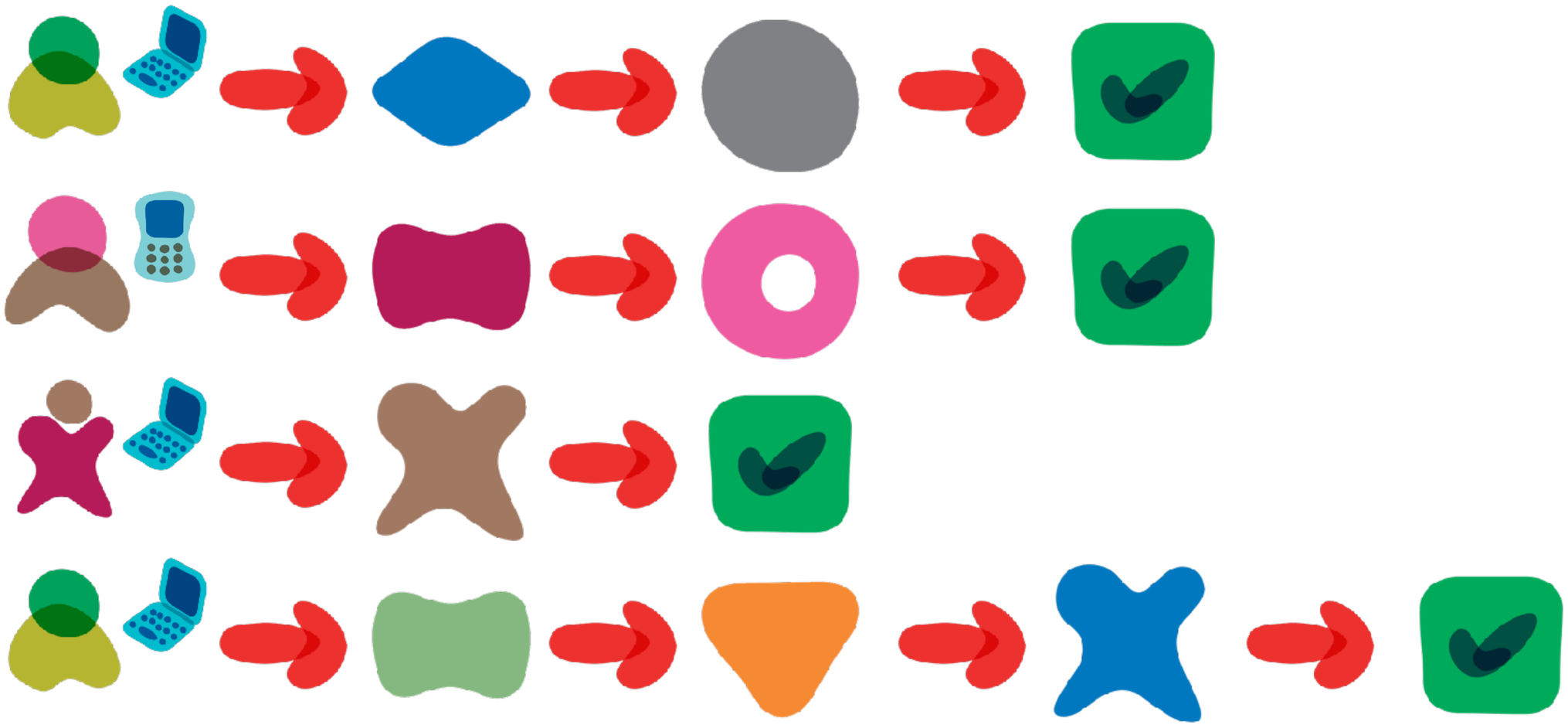


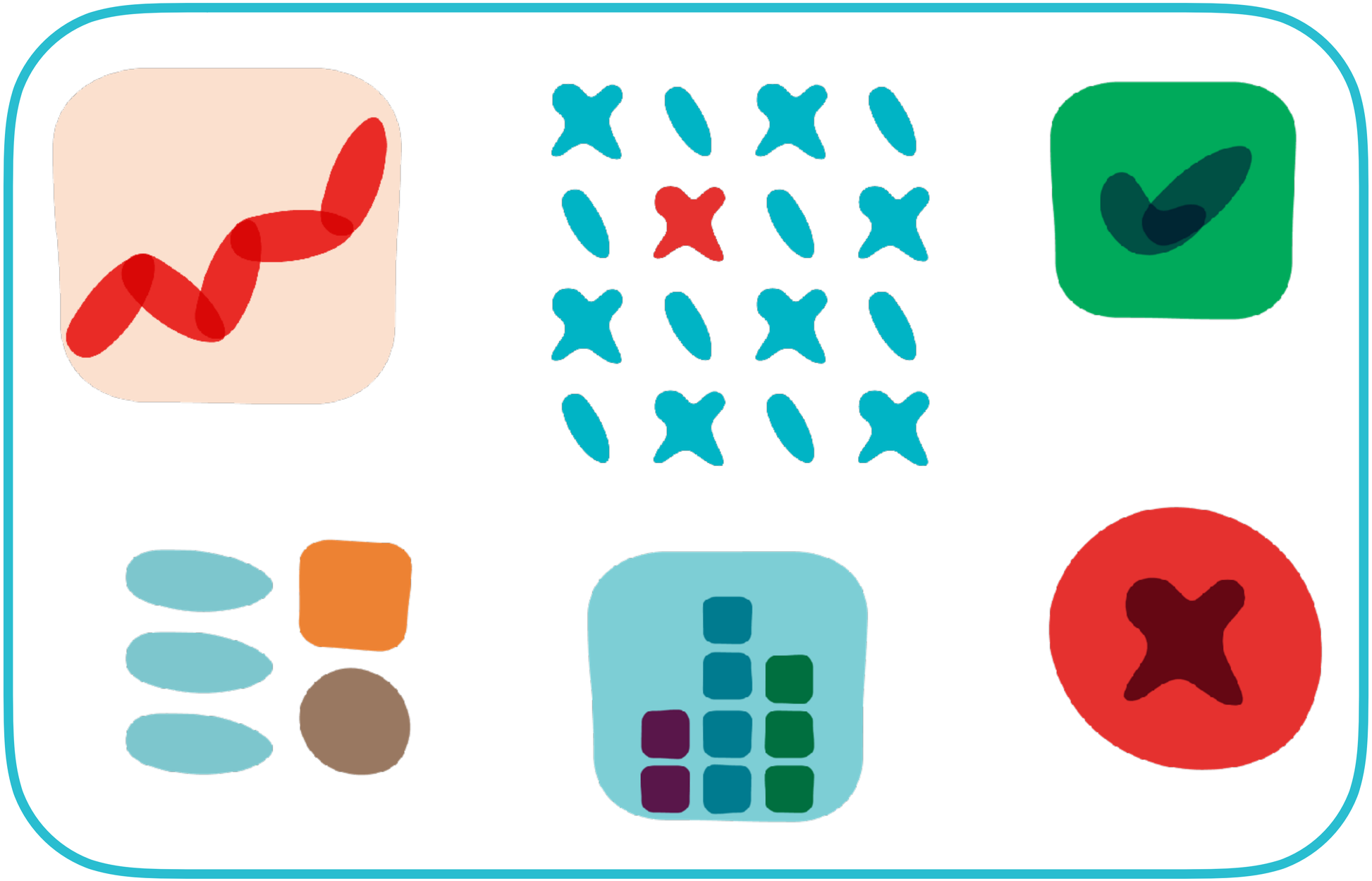
Business monitoring

SEMANTIC MONITORING



https://martinfowler.com/bliki/SyntheticMonitoring.html

It is accessible by everyone in the team



Monitoring overload

TOOLS

Push notifications: Alerts

ALERTS SHOULD BE ACTIONABLE

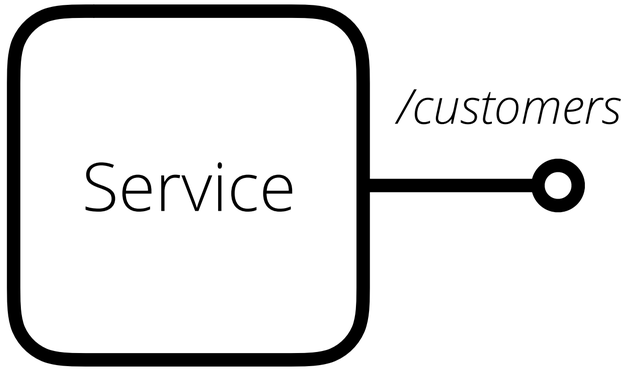
Title: ConnectionTimeOutException

Description: Connection to service A has timed out

More info: <link to visualization tool>

How to act: <link to run book>

SMART ALERTS



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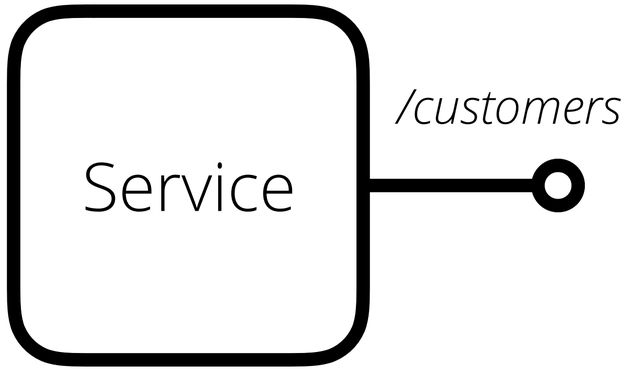

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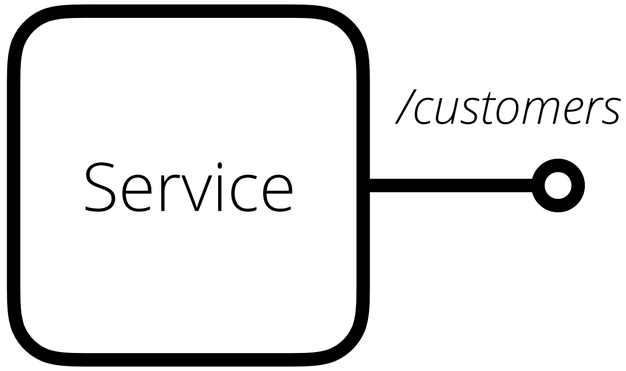

Send an email to owner for every 5xx error

Raise a high priority alarm when >10 5xx errors in 10 minutes

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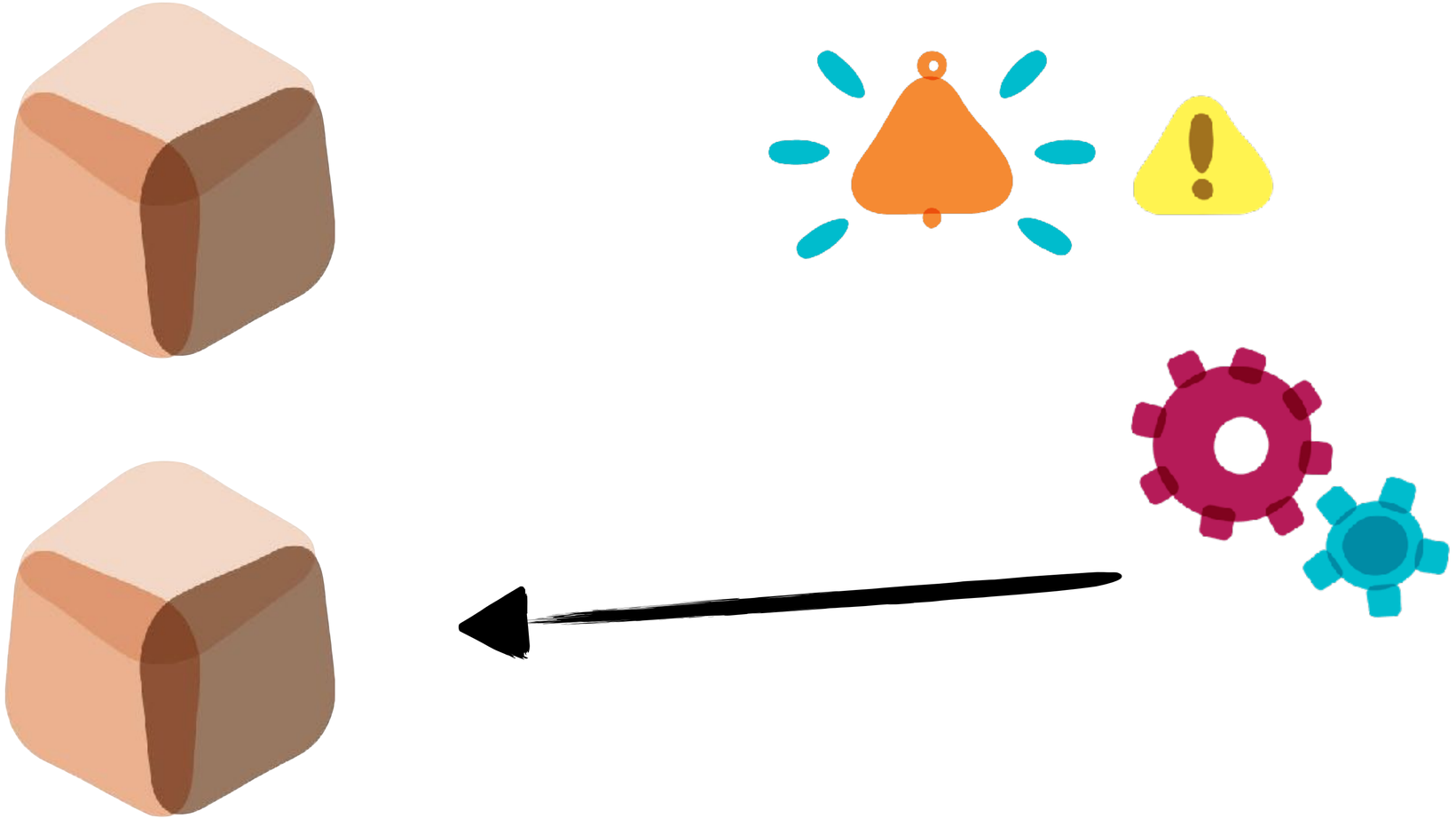

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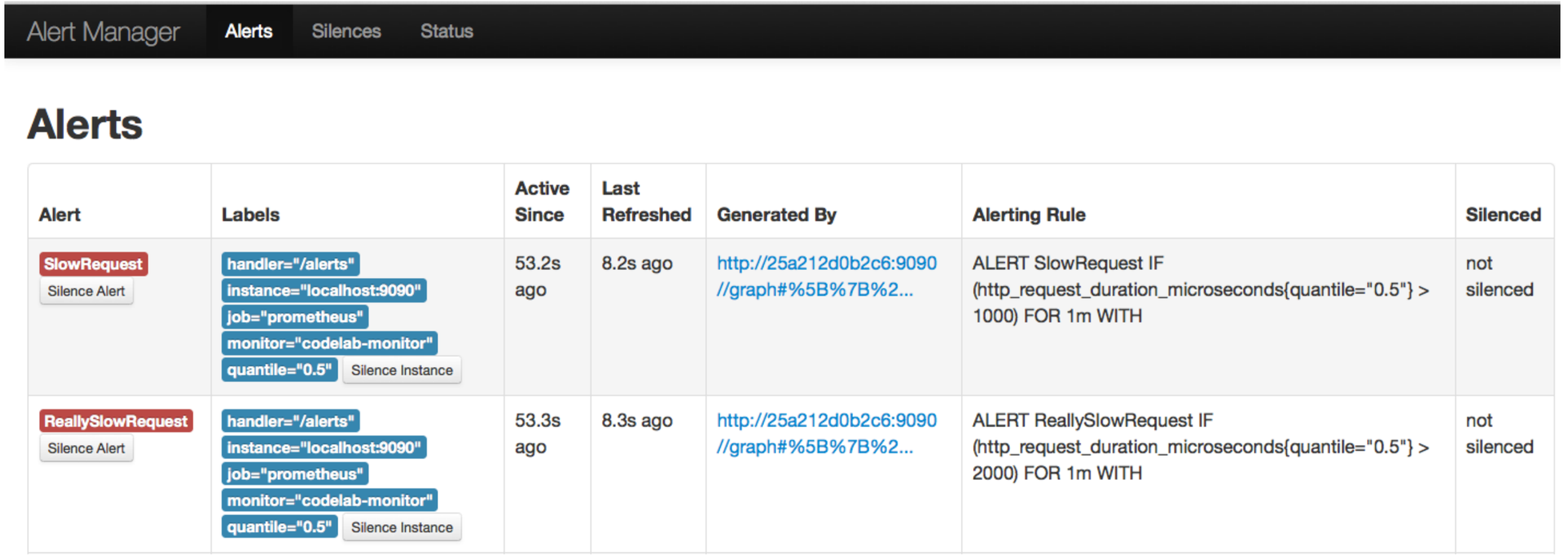

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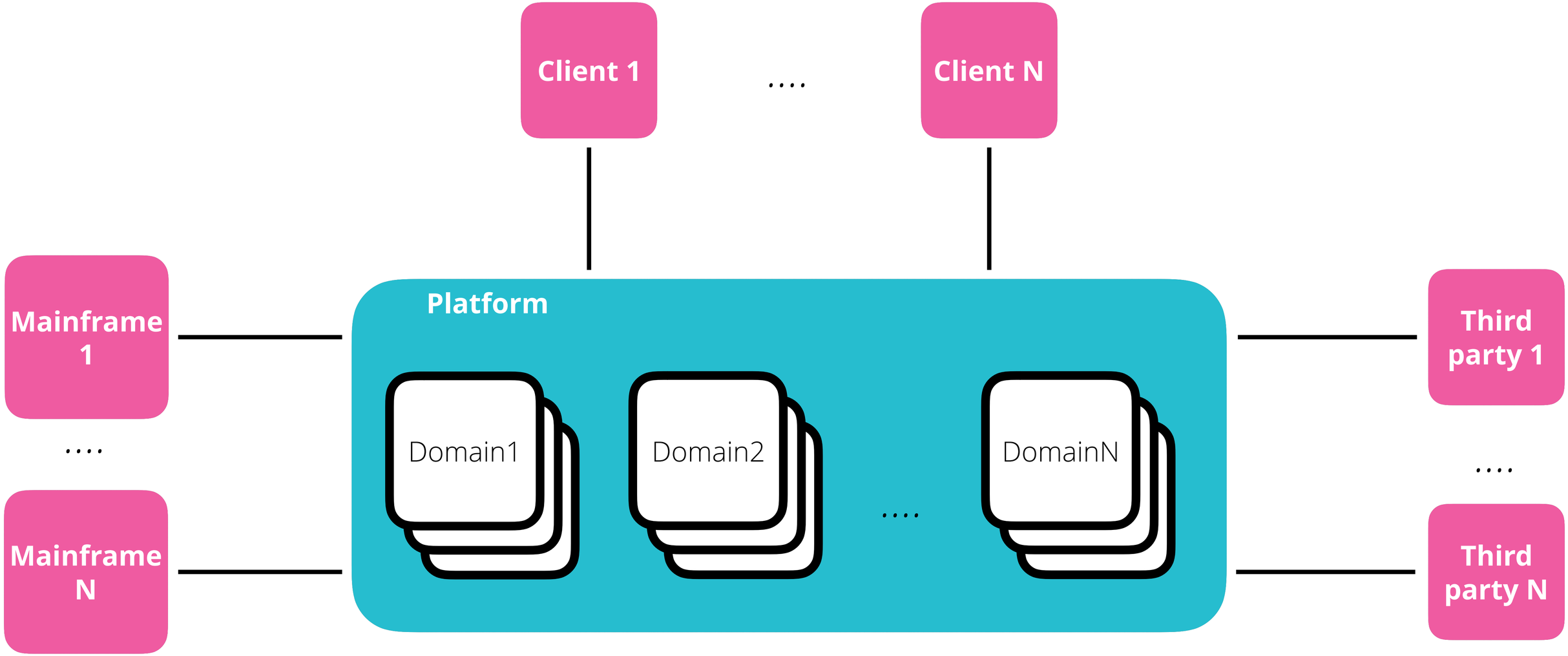

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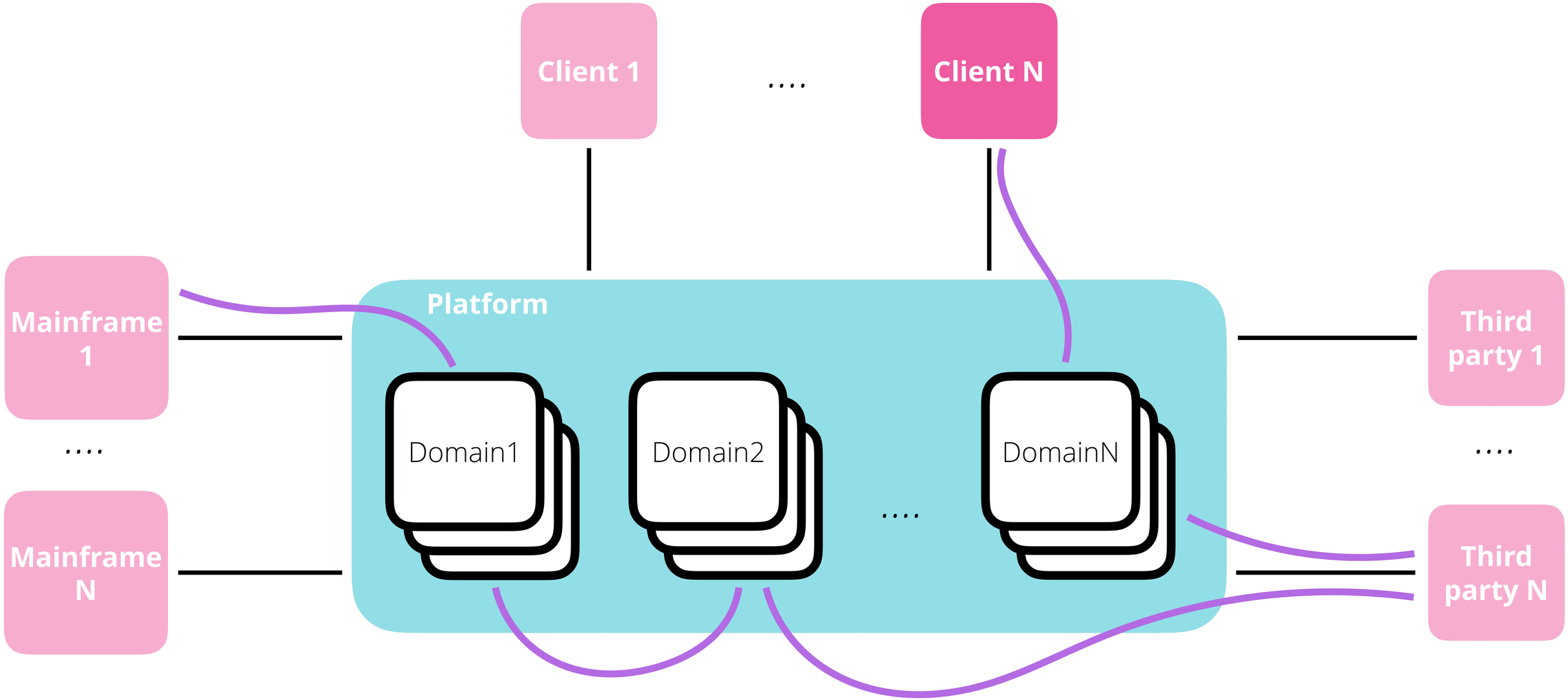

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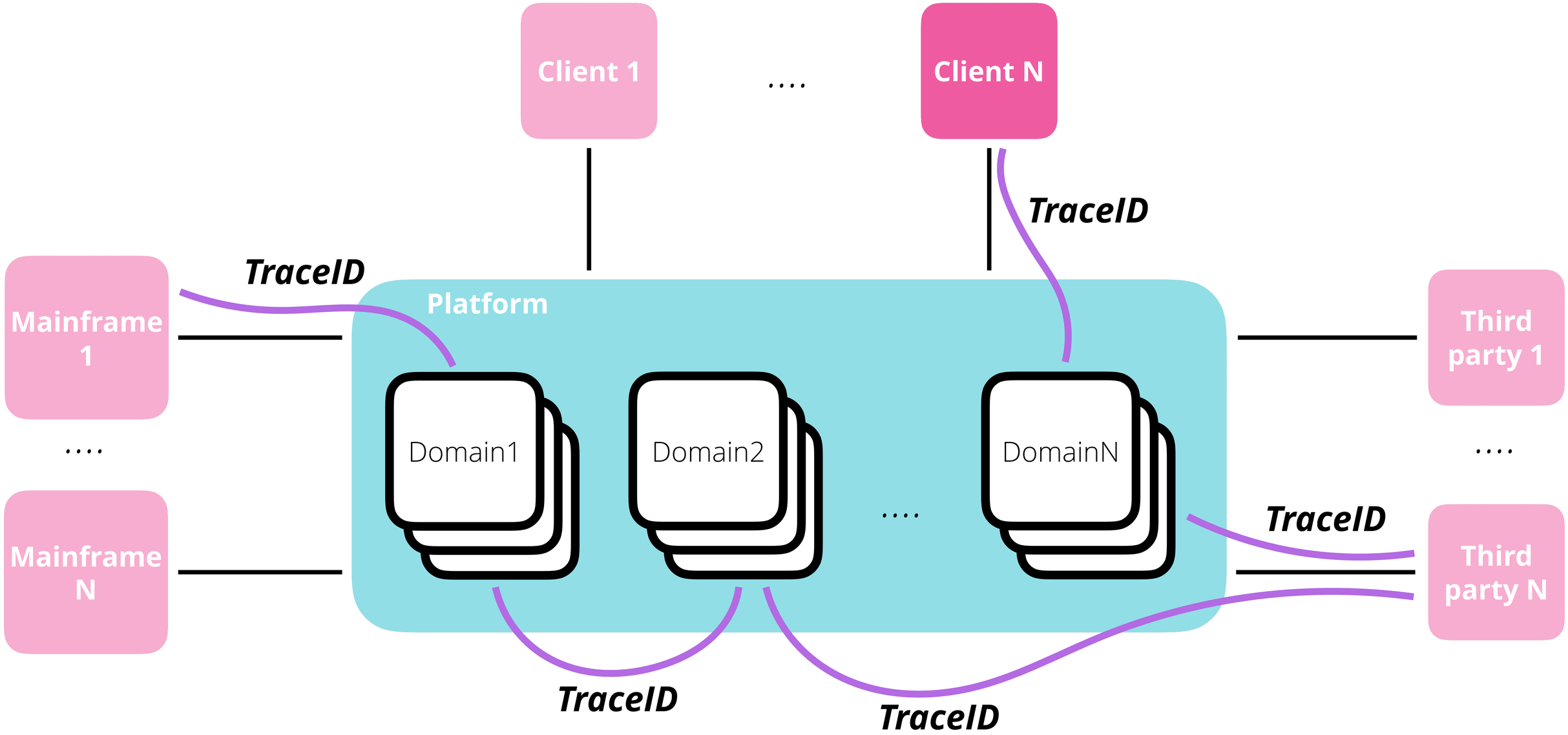

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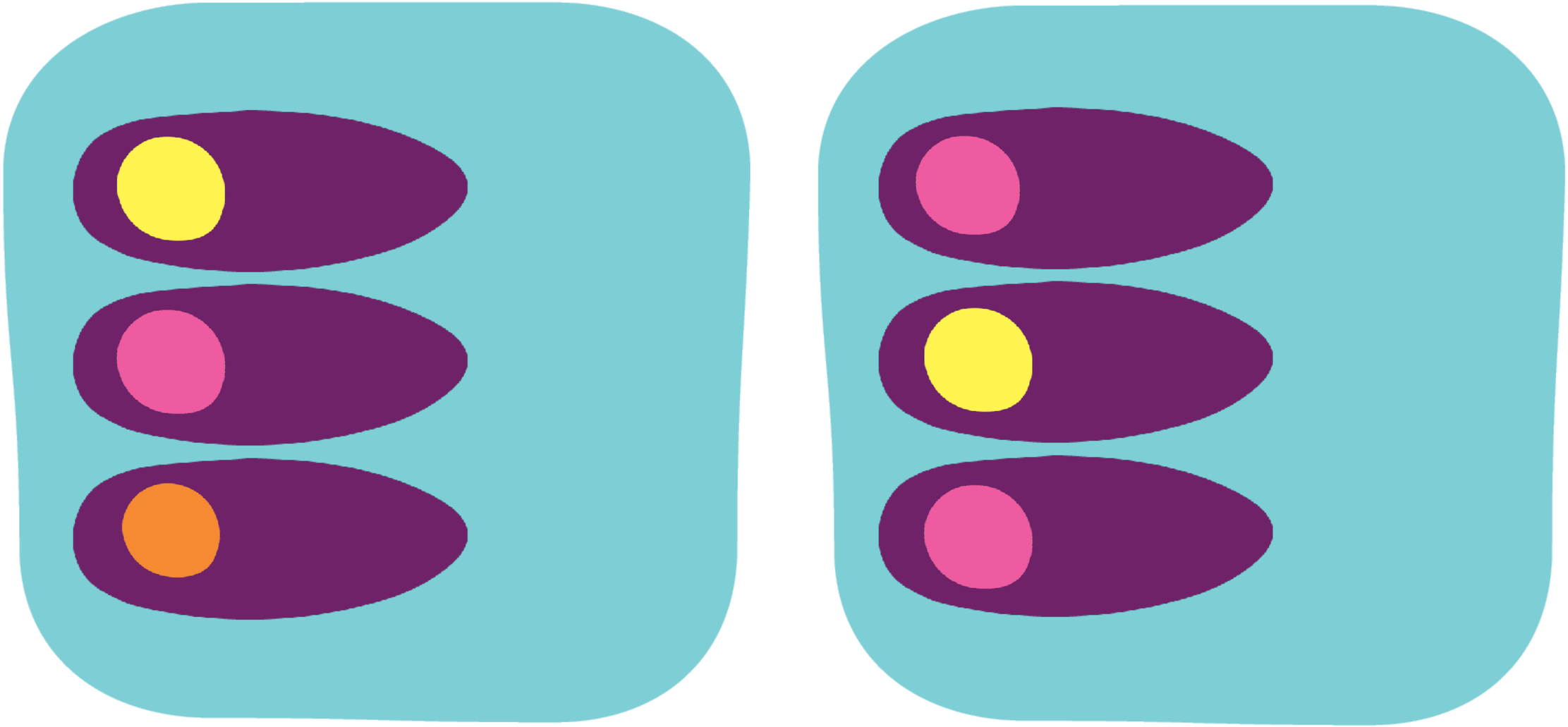

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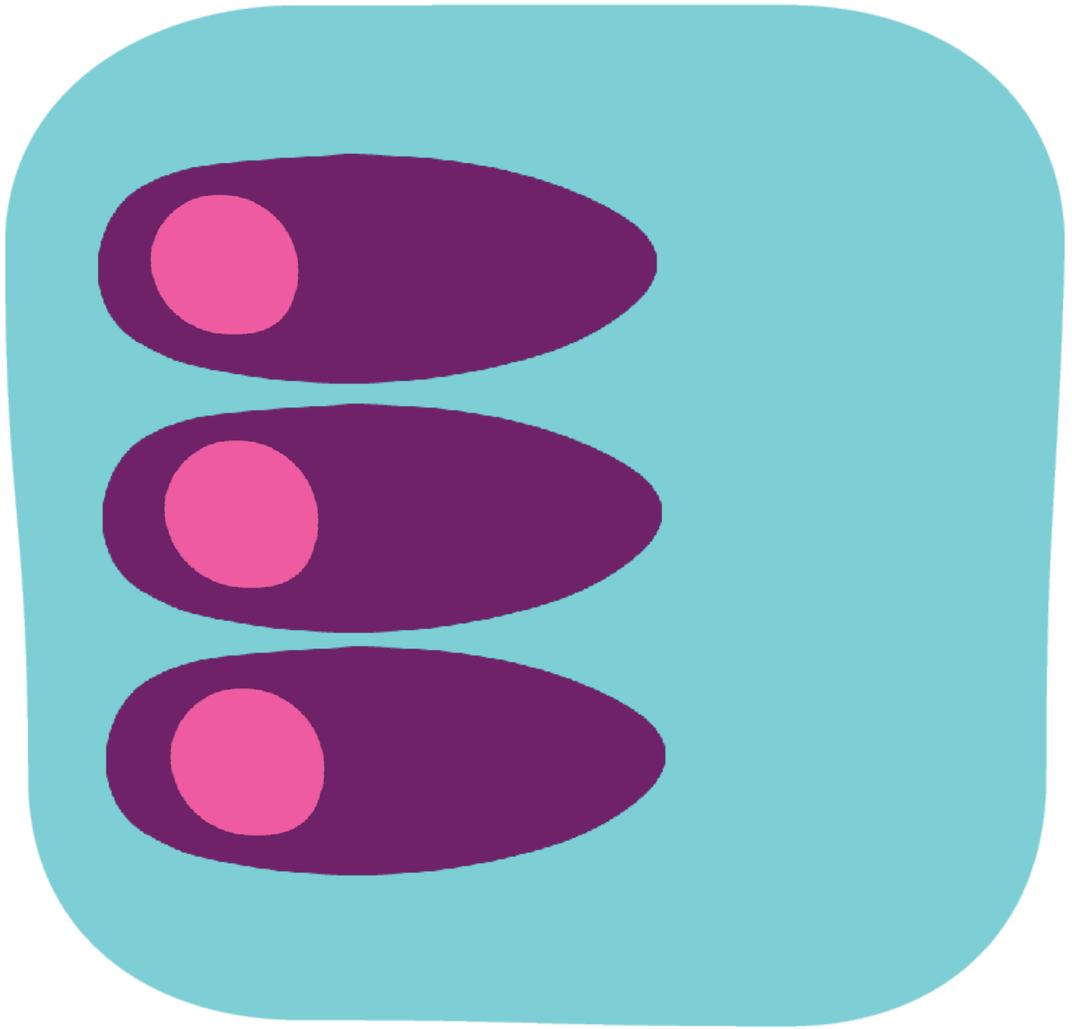

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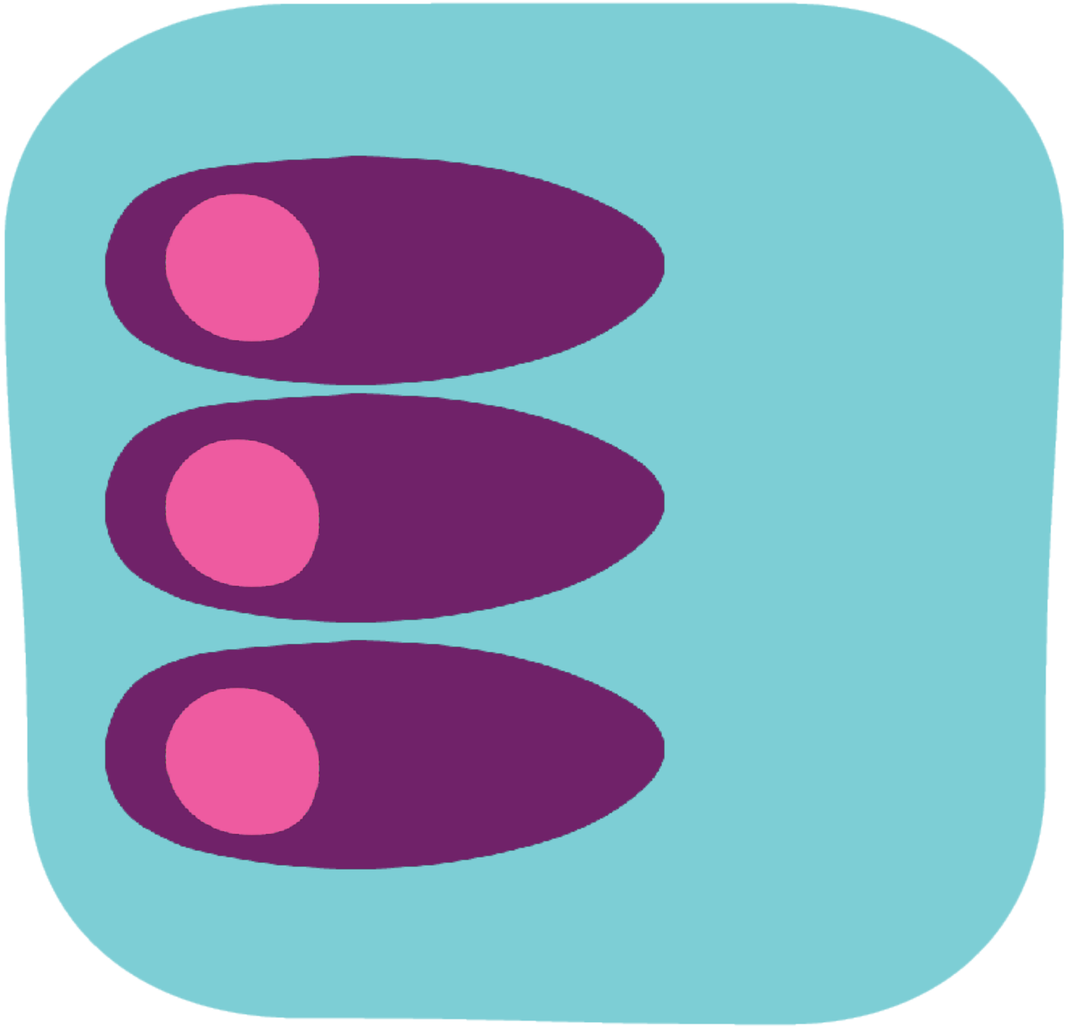

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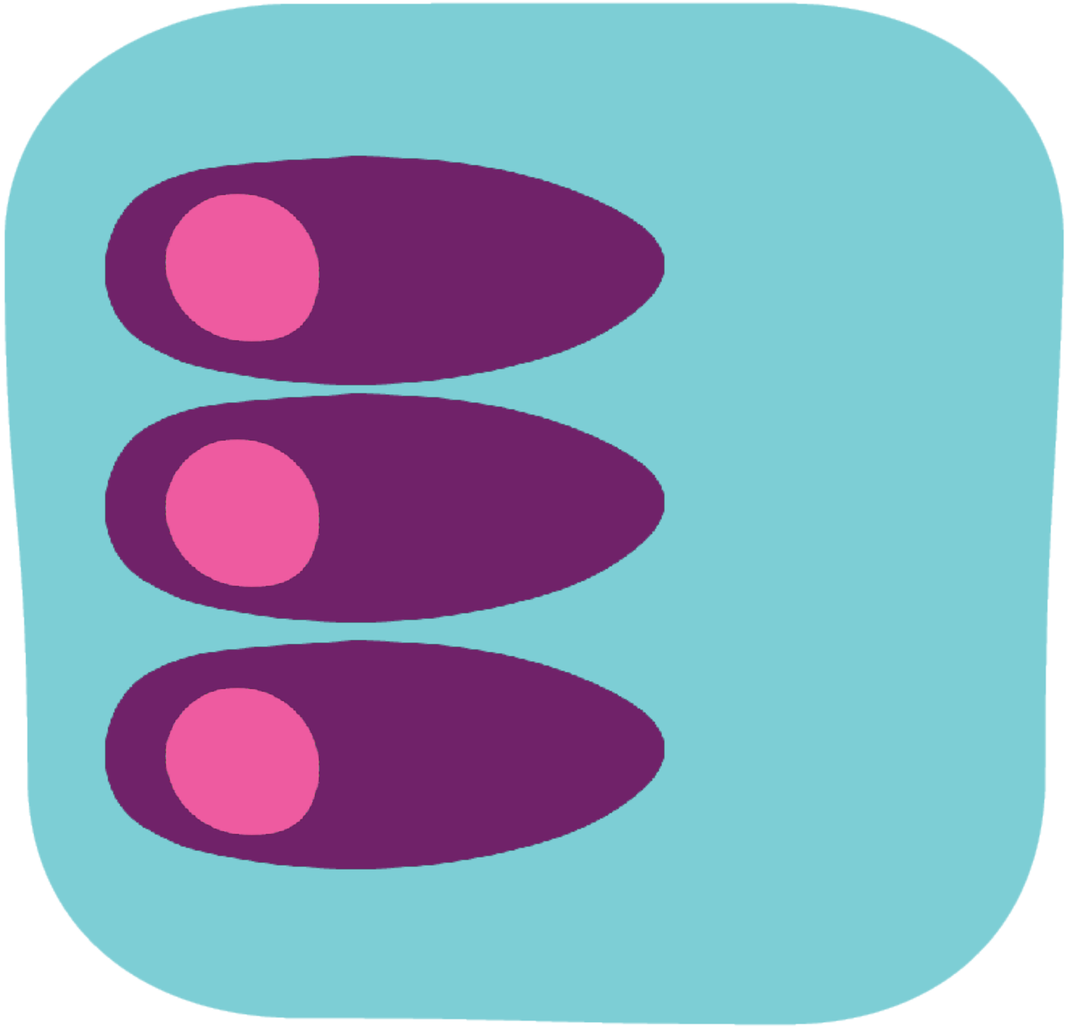

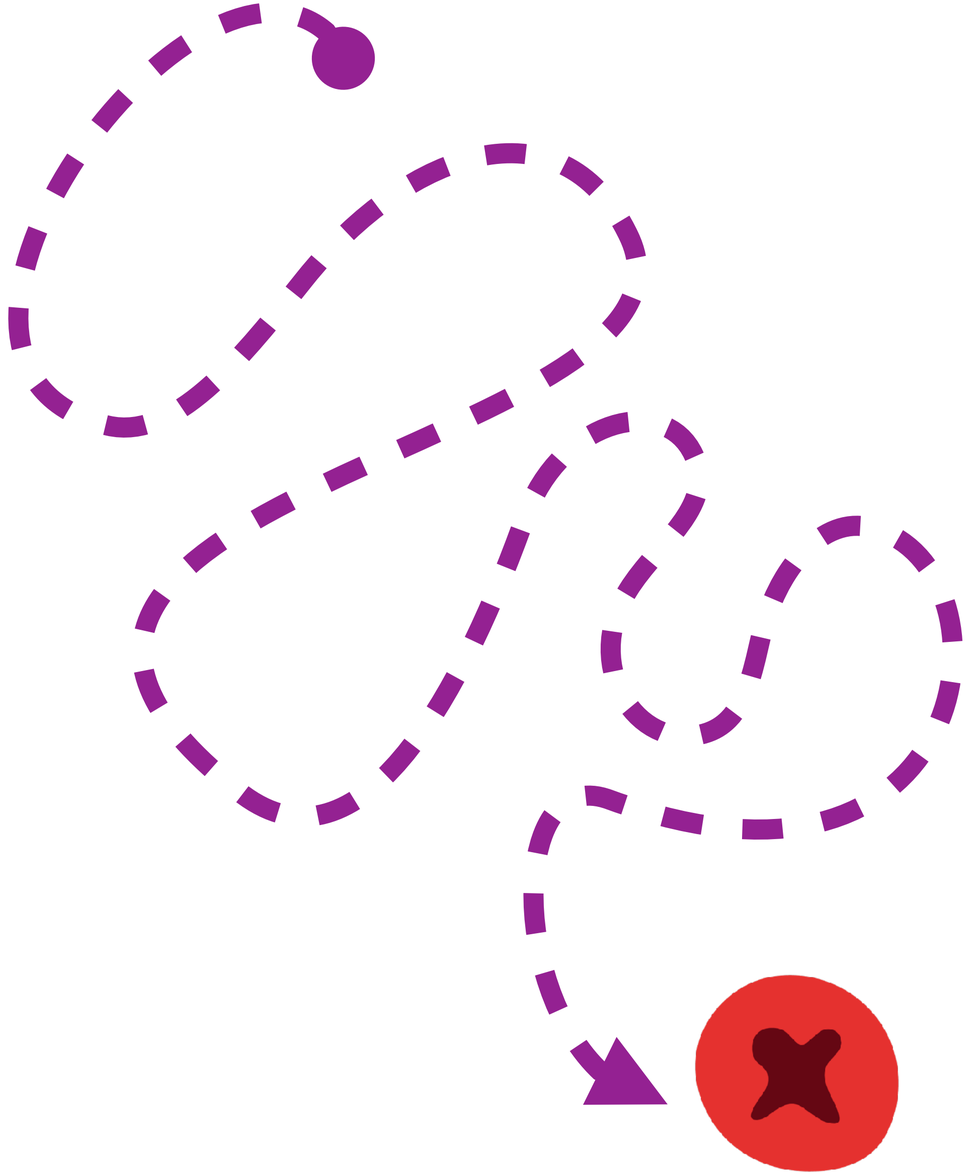

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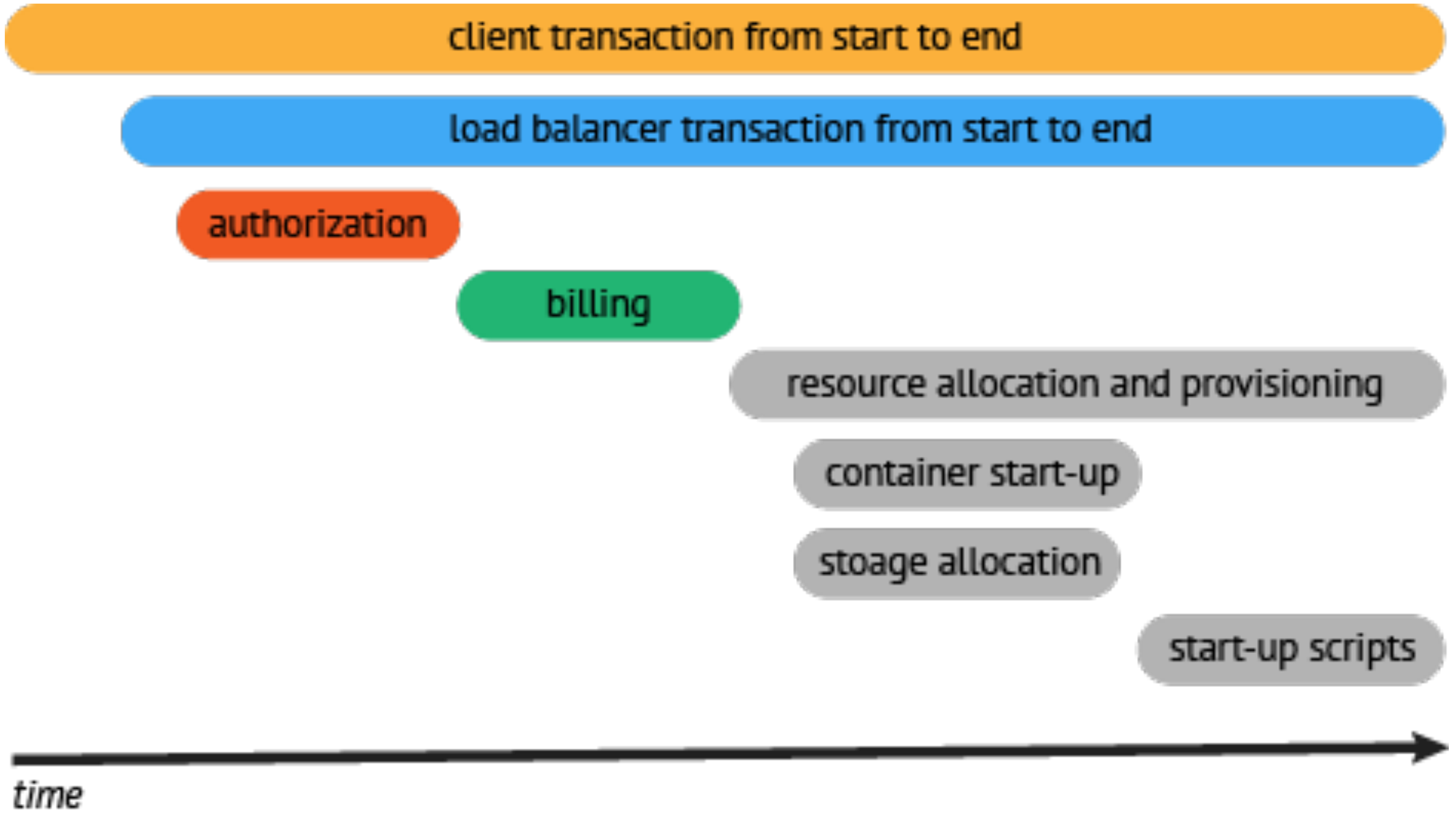

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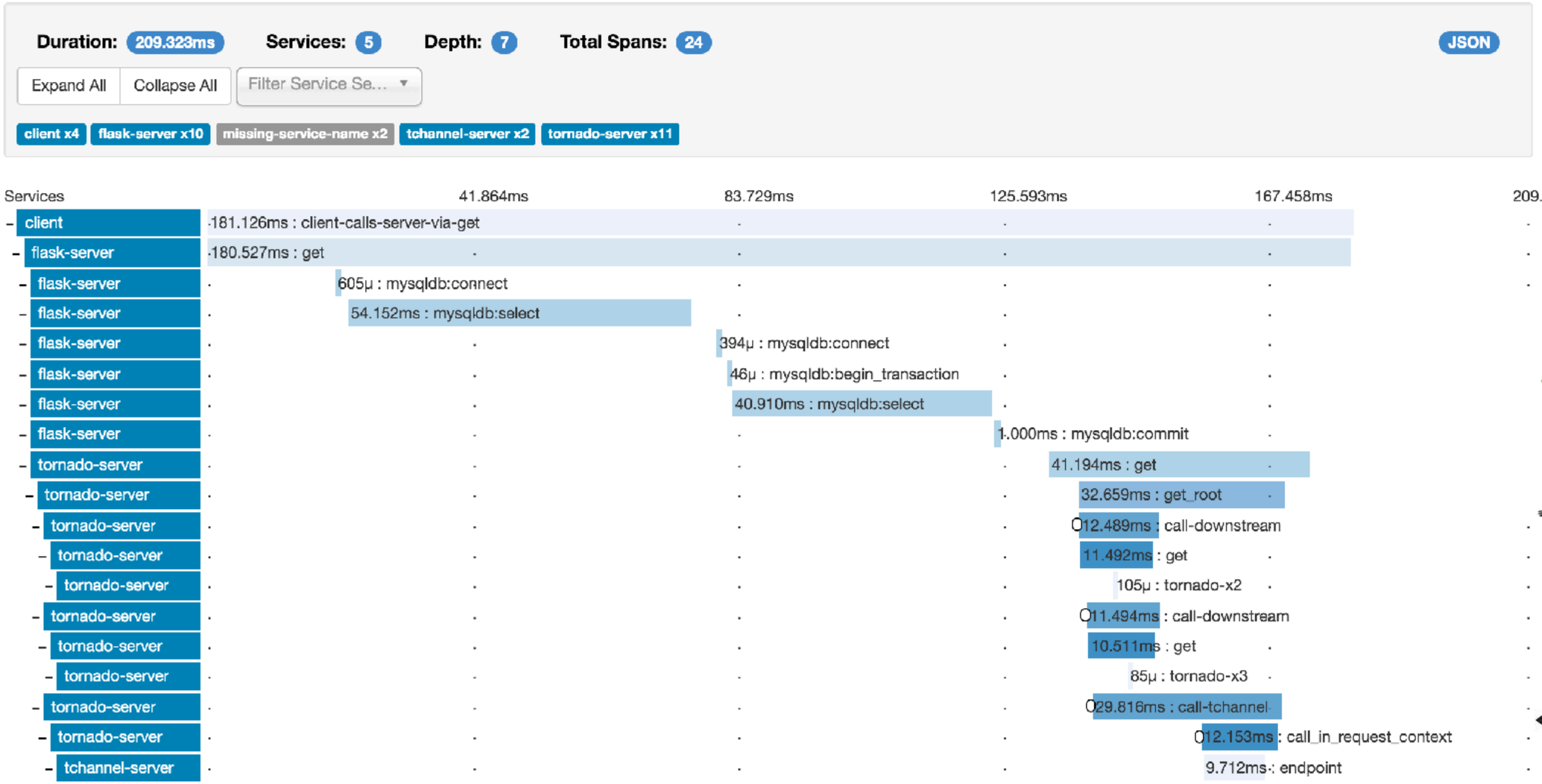

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SUMMARY

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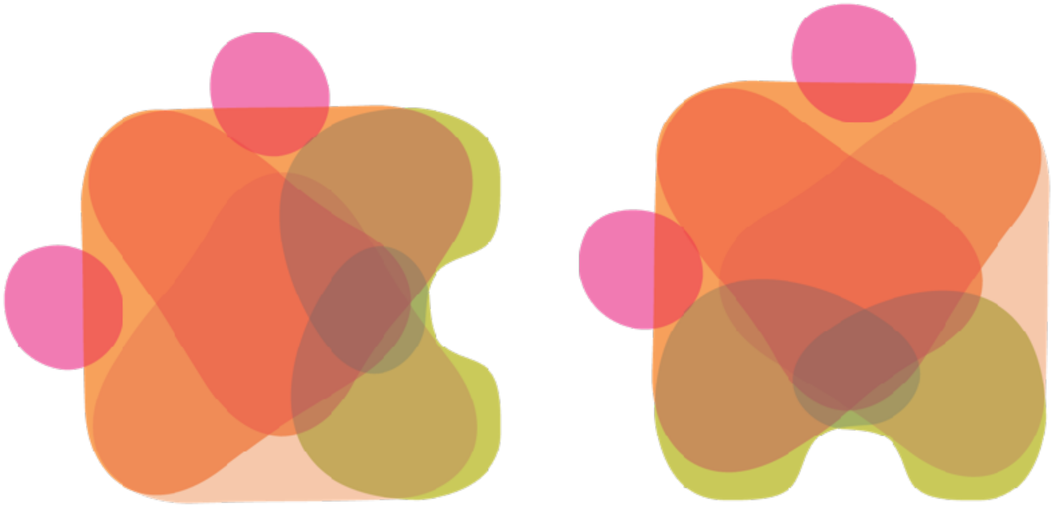

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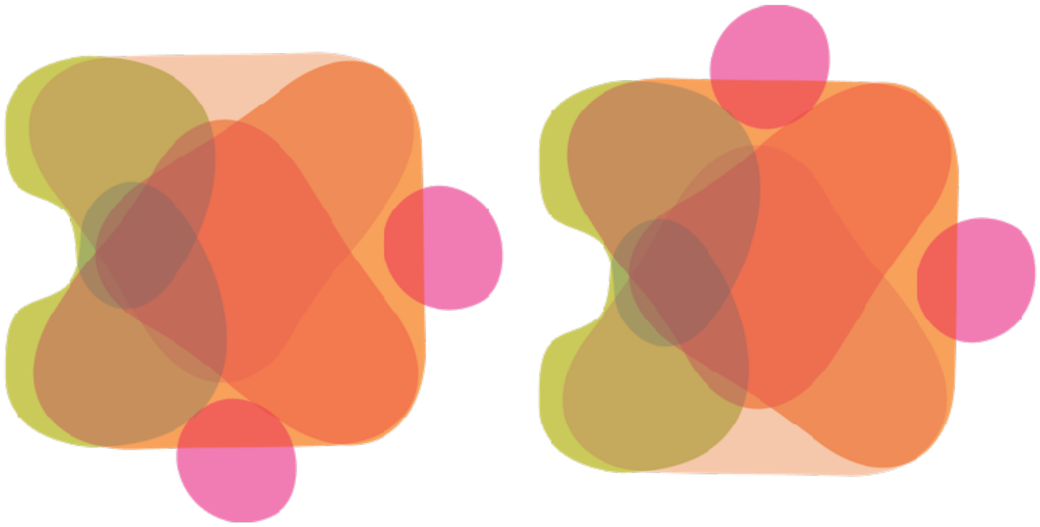

Visualization & Alerting

TAKE AWAYS

- Structure your data so it can be consumed by other tools
- Be intentional about things you log, monitor, and alert on
- Proactively iterate and eliminate noise
- Evaluate and use existing tools and libraries
- Service templates to bootstrap microservices over shared libraries

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