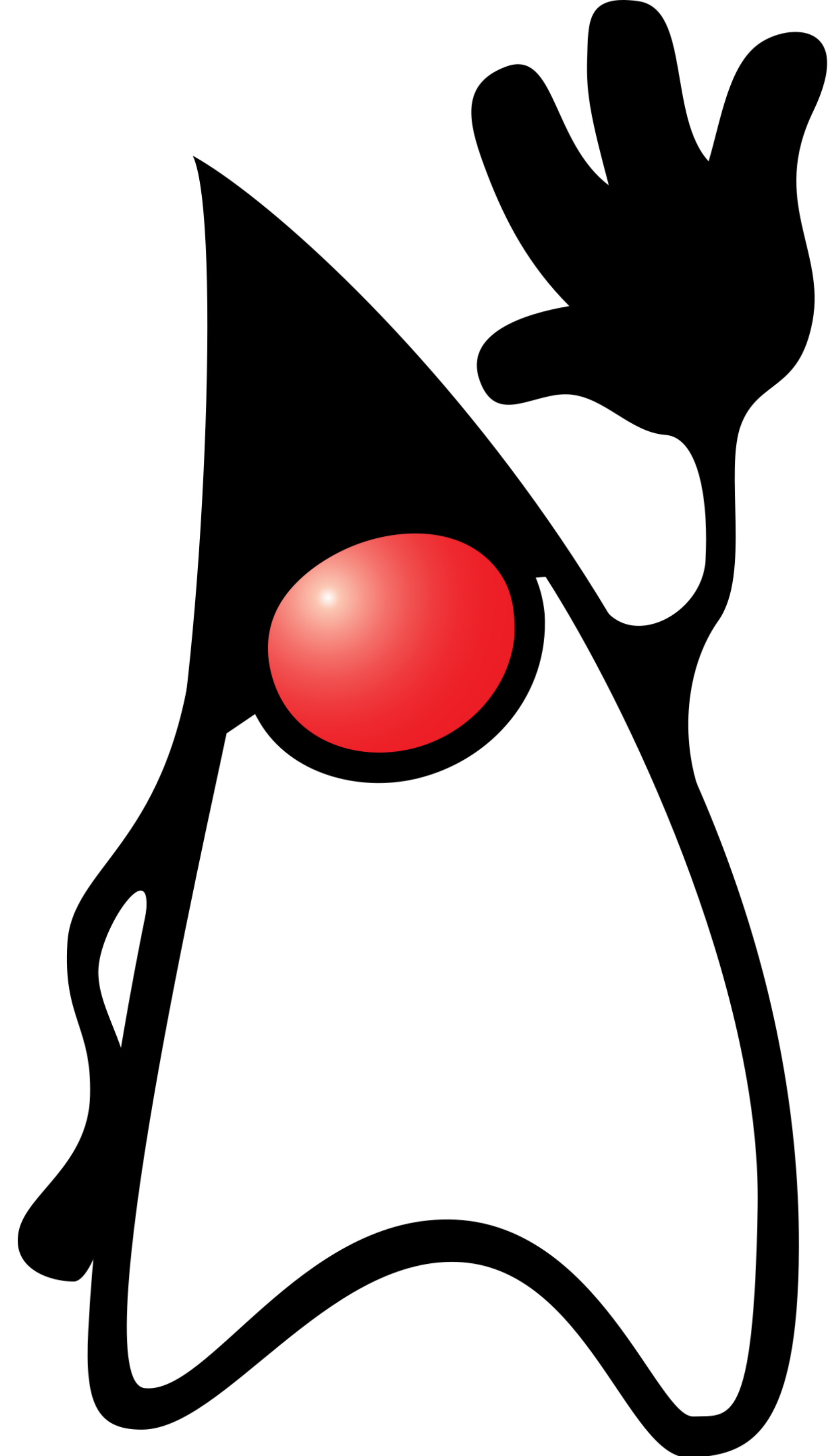


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Multithreading: Overview

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THIS WEEK'S LECTURE

Overview of multitasking and threading

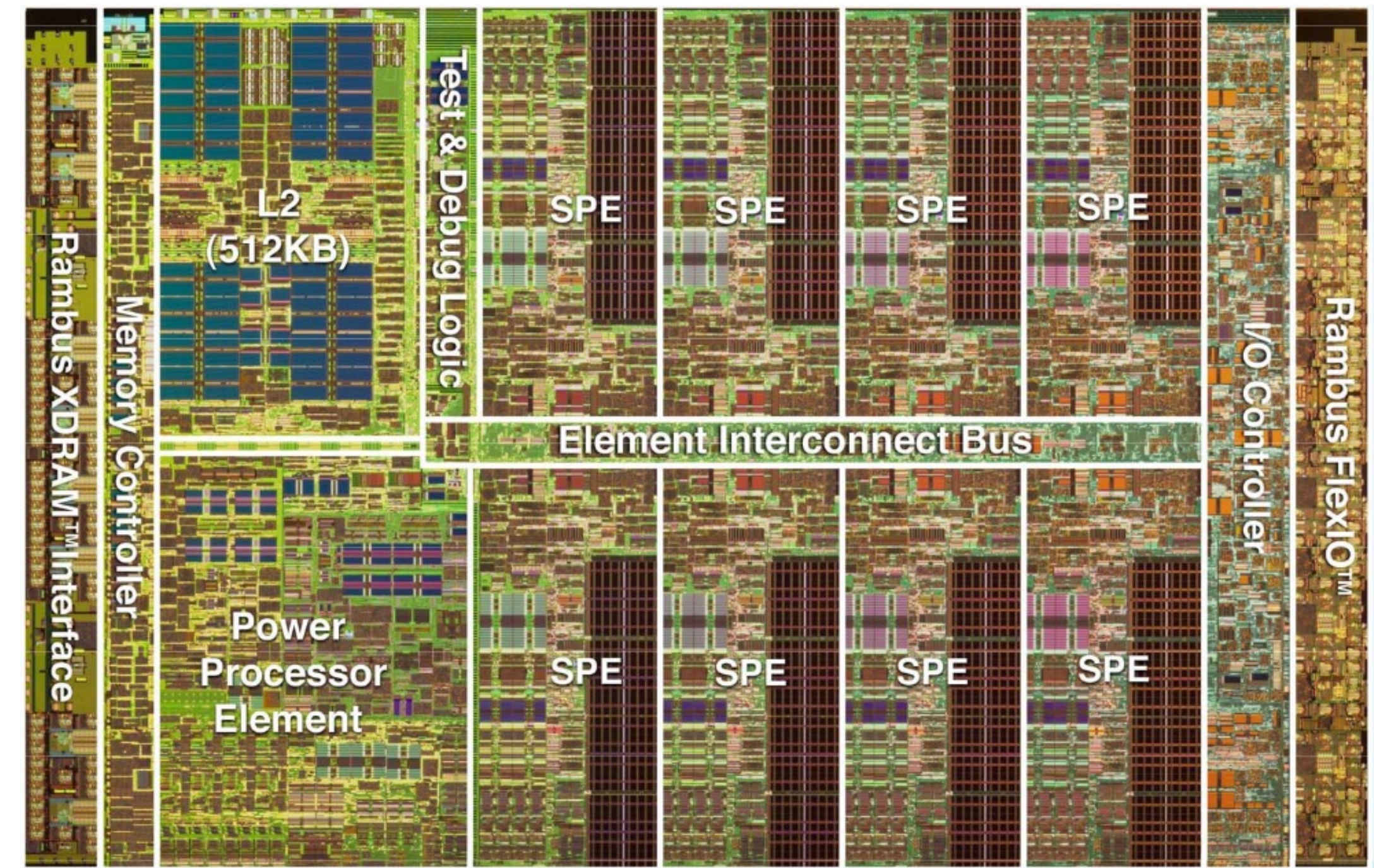
Java Thread class and Runnable interface

Thread synchronisation

Inter-thread communication

MULTITASKING

- Modern operating systems multitask supporting,
 - multiple simultaneous users
 - multiple simultaneous processes (programs)
- This is achieved by,
 - time slicing
 - multicore processors (21st Century)
 - i.e. processes on Activity monitor



MULTITHREADING

- A thread is the smallest unit of dispatchable code,
 - A process is divided into multiple threads
 - Makes use of idle CPU time, for better performance and experience
 - Makes use of multiple processor cores
- For example
 - You can write email while your mailbox is synchronising with the server
 - Games load new assets while detecting user input
 - ???

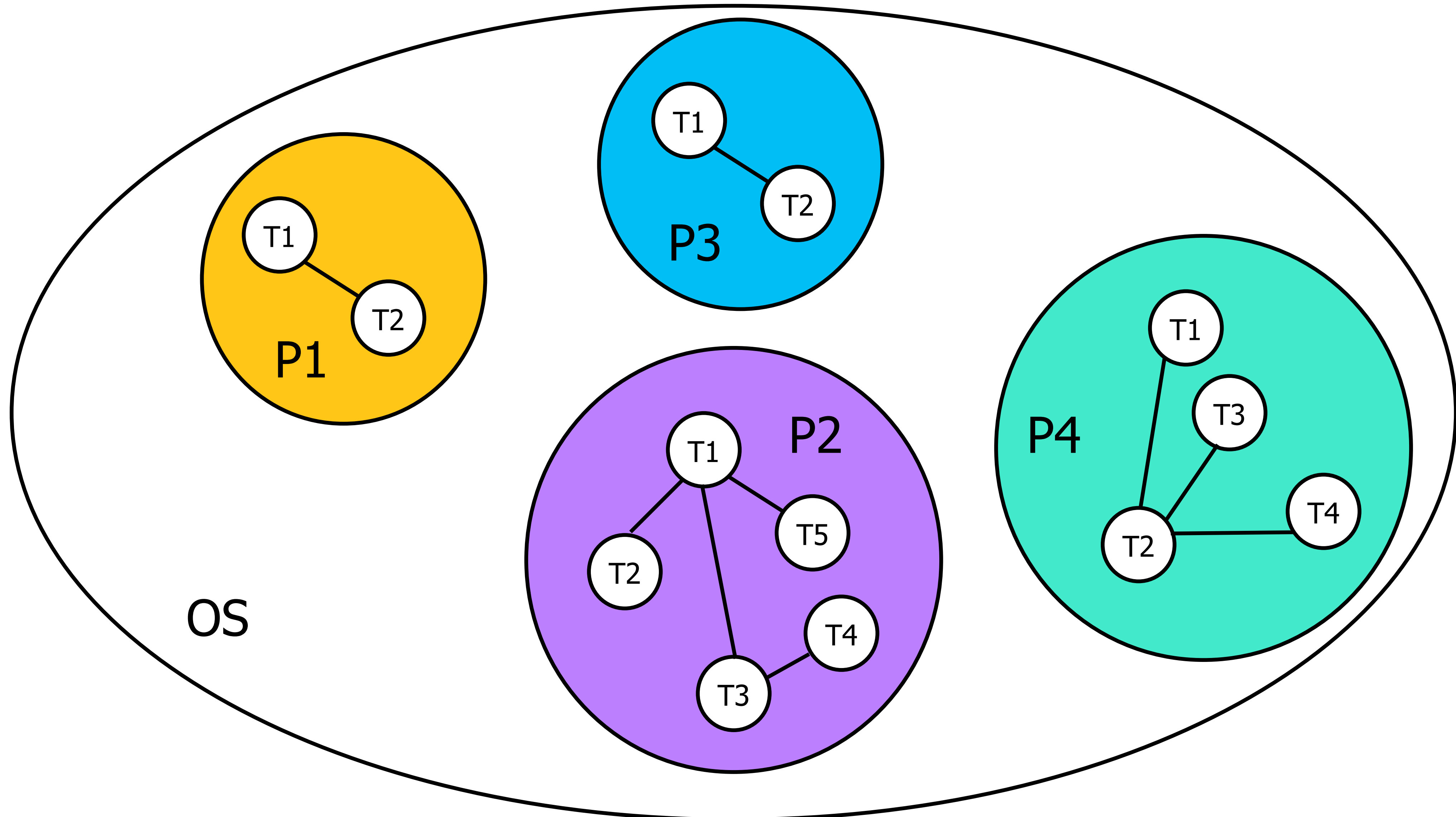
MULTITASKING

- Process based (switching user to user)
- Individual address space
- Processes are heavyweight
- interprocess communication is slow and complex (sockets, message bus, COM+, NSProxy)
- Process switching is slow (mapping memory, loading registers etc.)
- Secure (web browsers, i.e. Safari and google doc)
<https://blog.chromium.org/2008/09/multi-process-architecture.html>

MULTITHREADING

- Thread based (divide single program)
- shared address space (threads), individual address space for tasks
- threads are lightweight
- Interthread communication is straightforward

PROCESSES CONTAIN THREADS

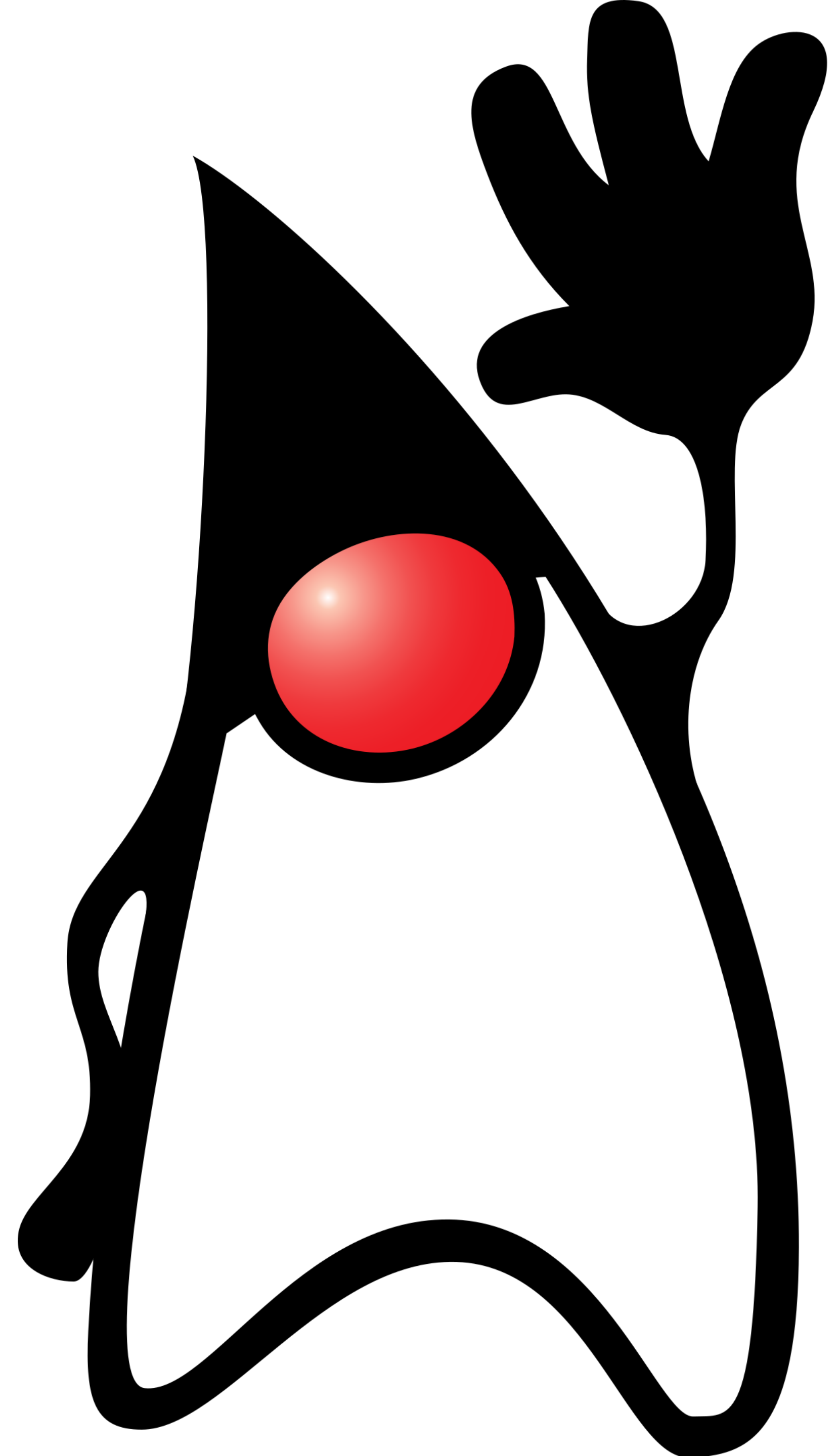


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EXAMPLE: SINGLE THREADED PROGRAM

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use start() to execute the thread **not run()**

EXTENDING THREAD

- Alternatively extend the thread class
- You would typically override the run method
 - Confusingly, Thread implements runnable too
- You only then need to create a new instance of your Thread



```
class Task1 extends Thread{  
    public void run(){  
        System.out.println("starting task1");  
    }  
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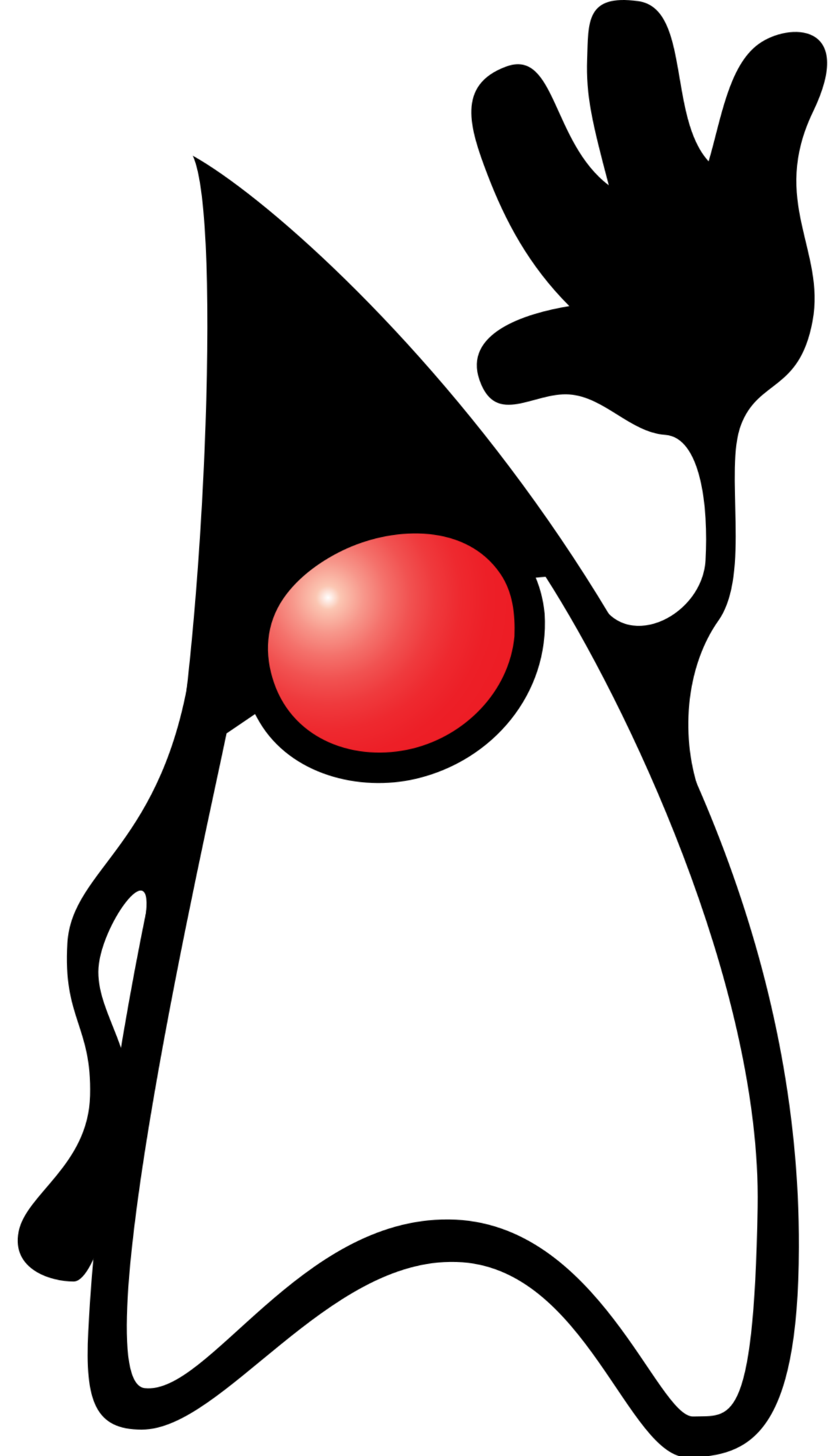
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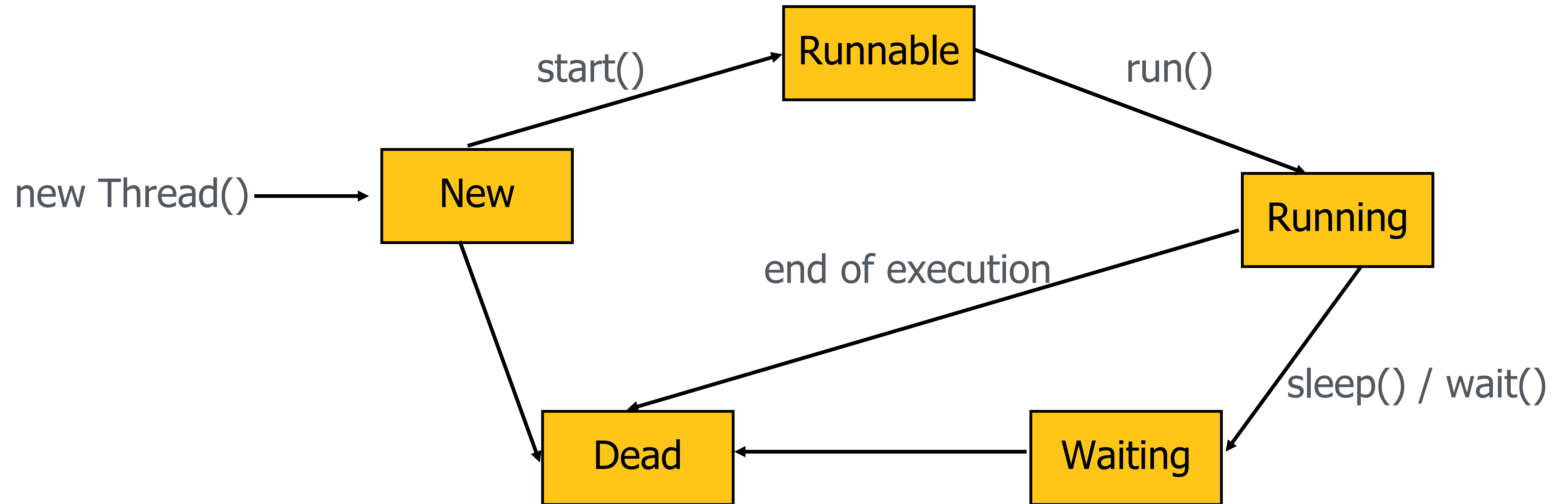
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Multithreading:
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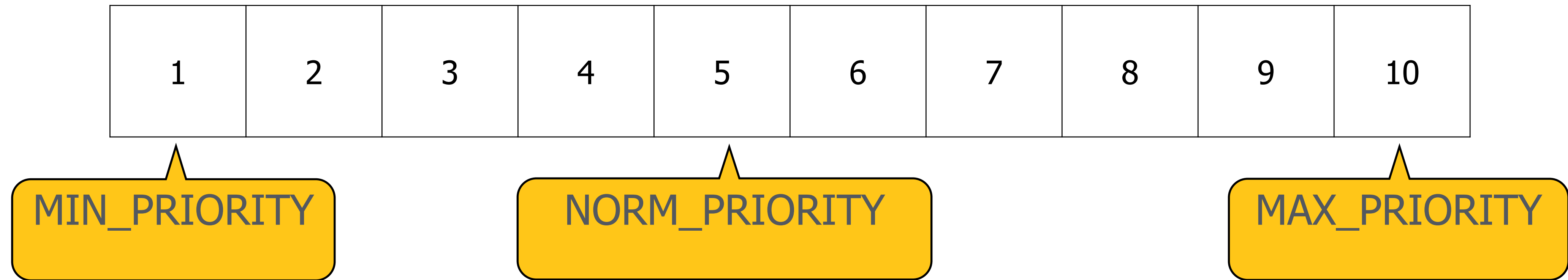
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THREAD LIFECYCLE



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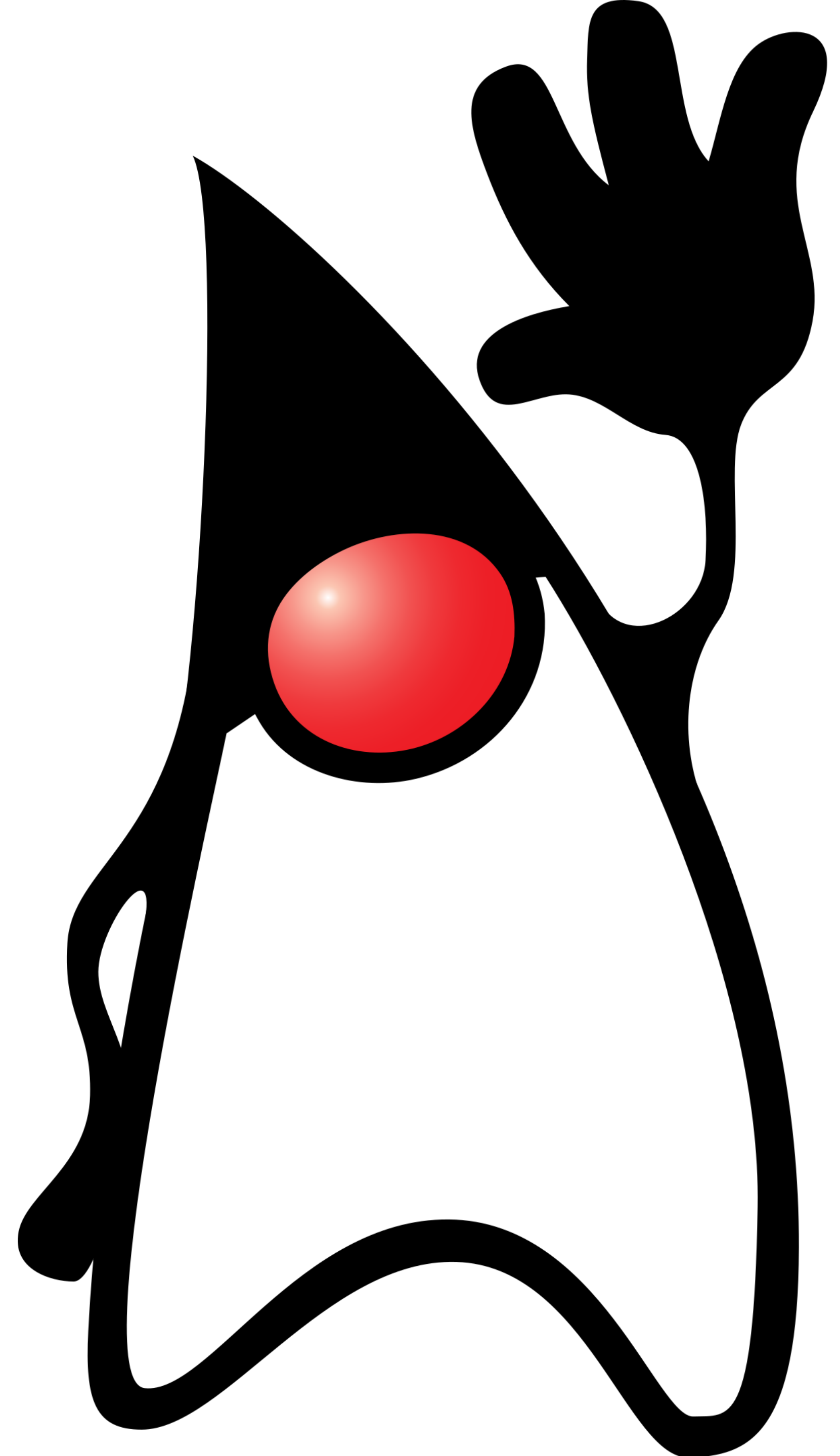


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Dining Philosophers problem

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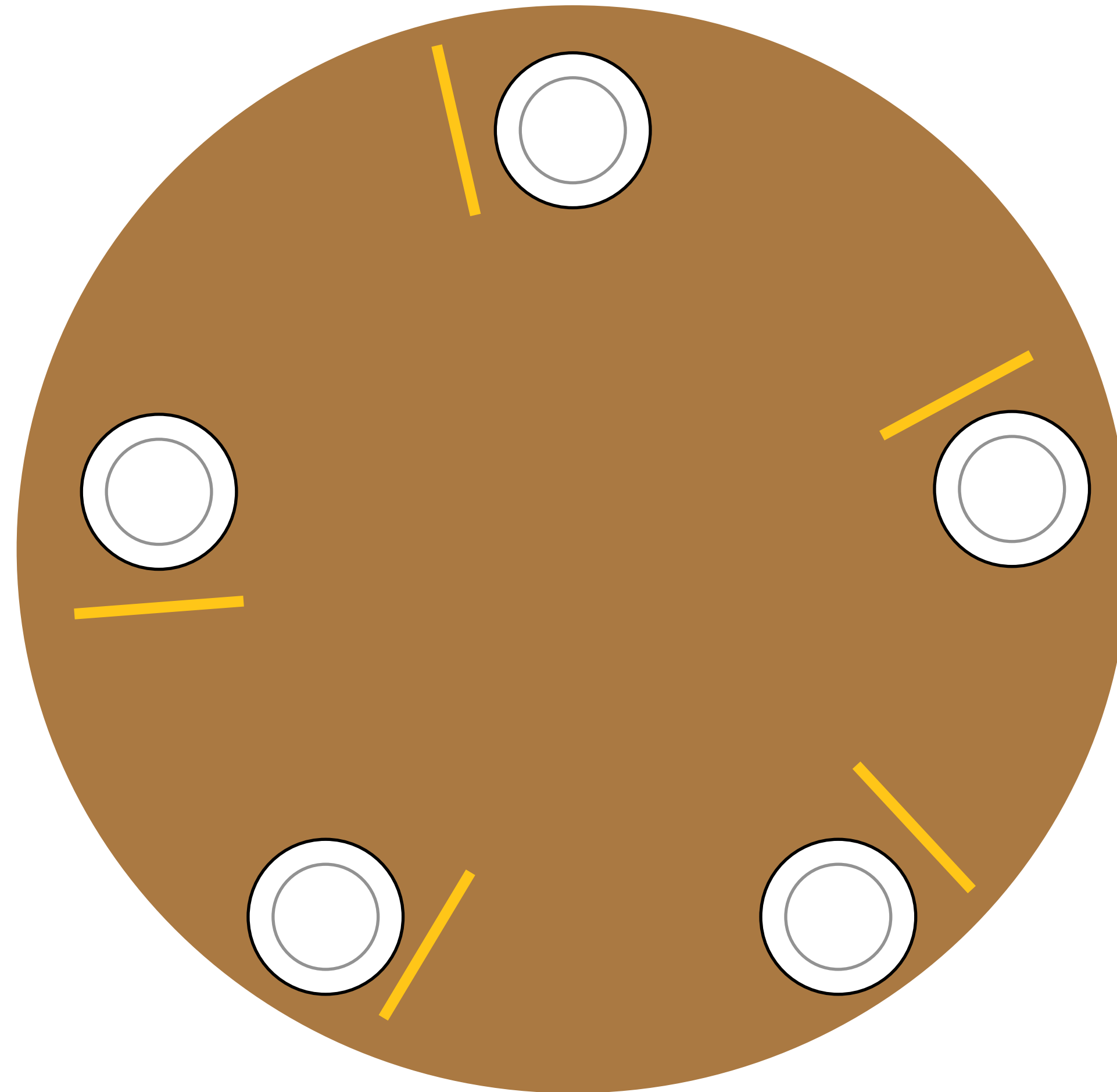
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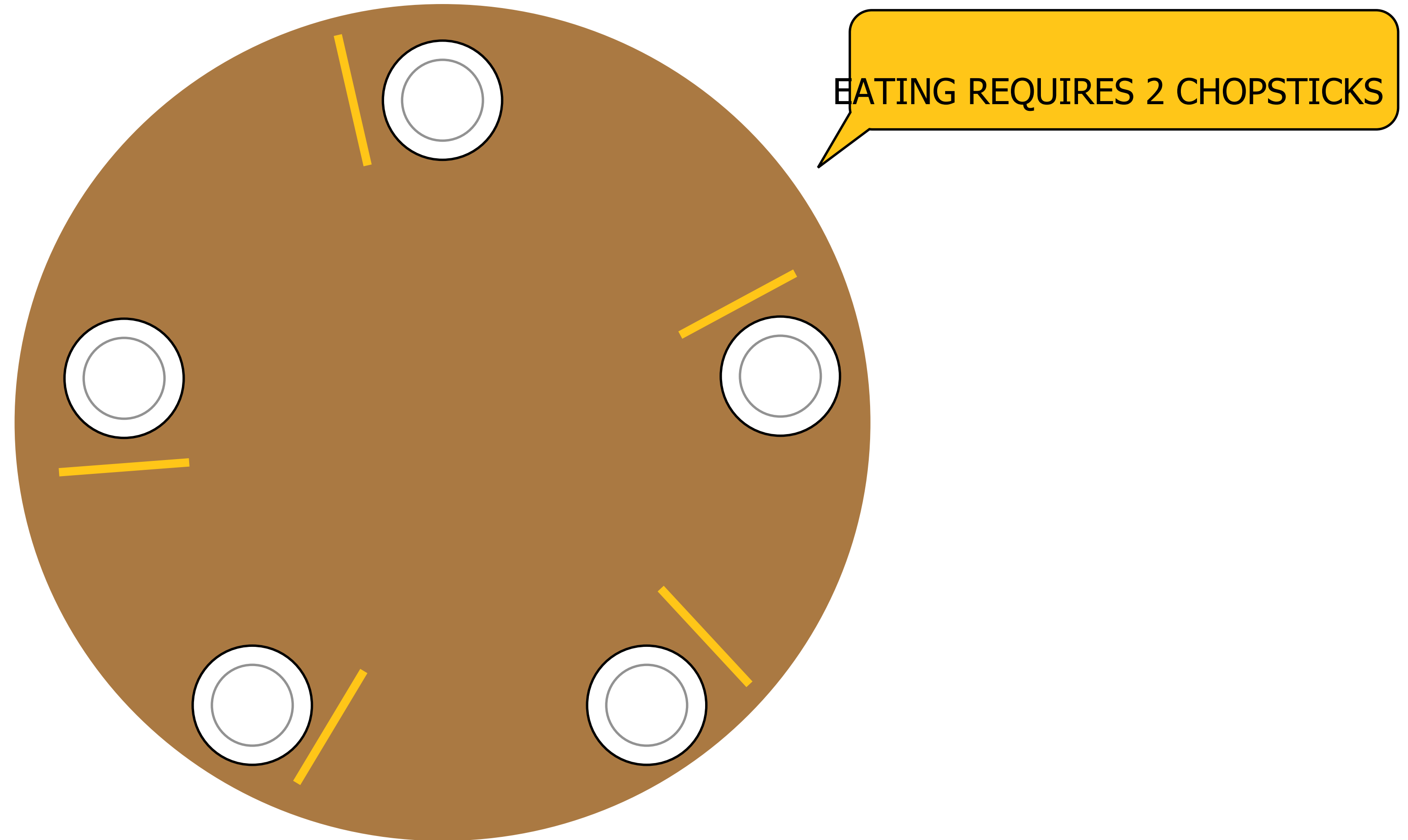


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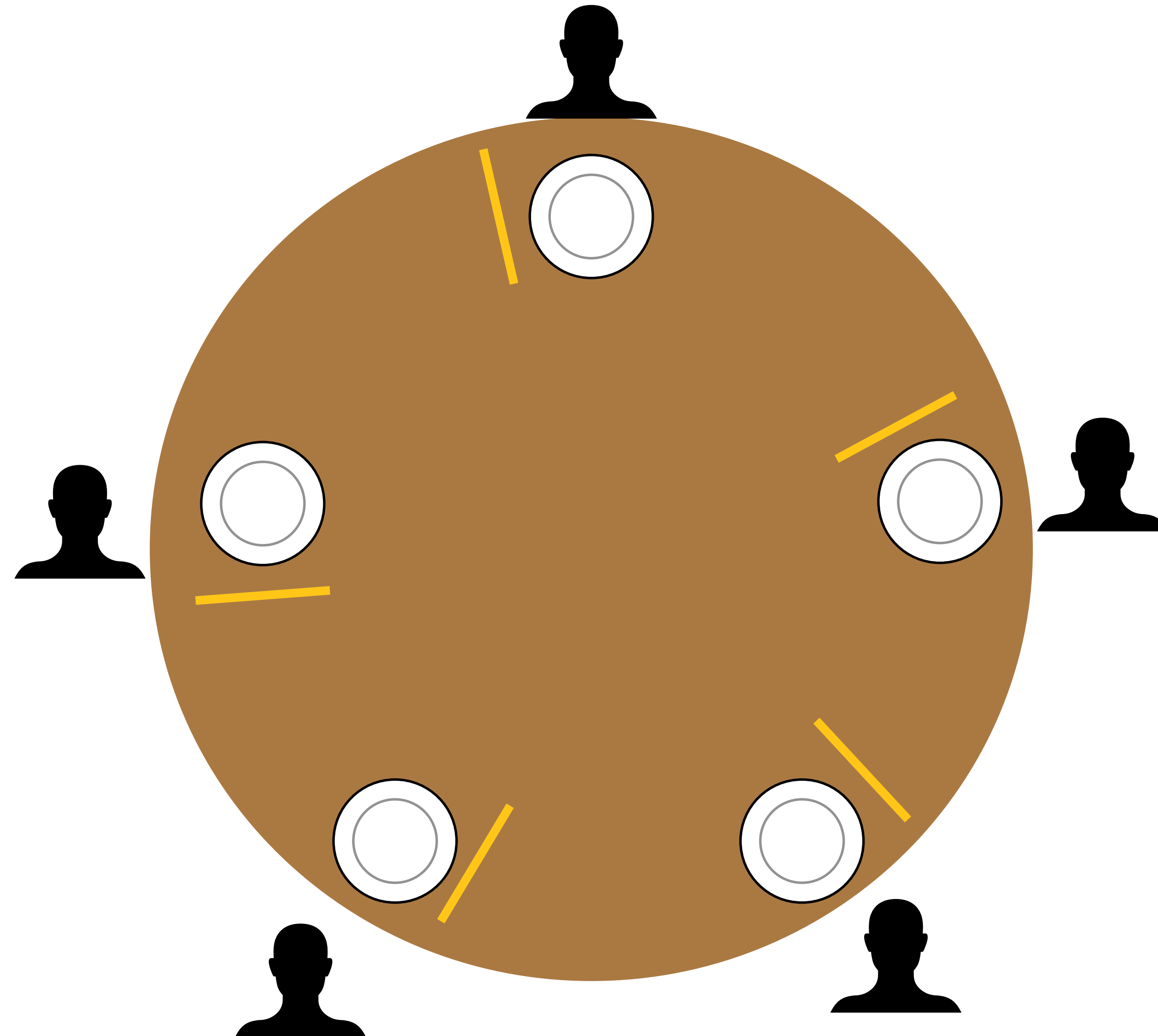
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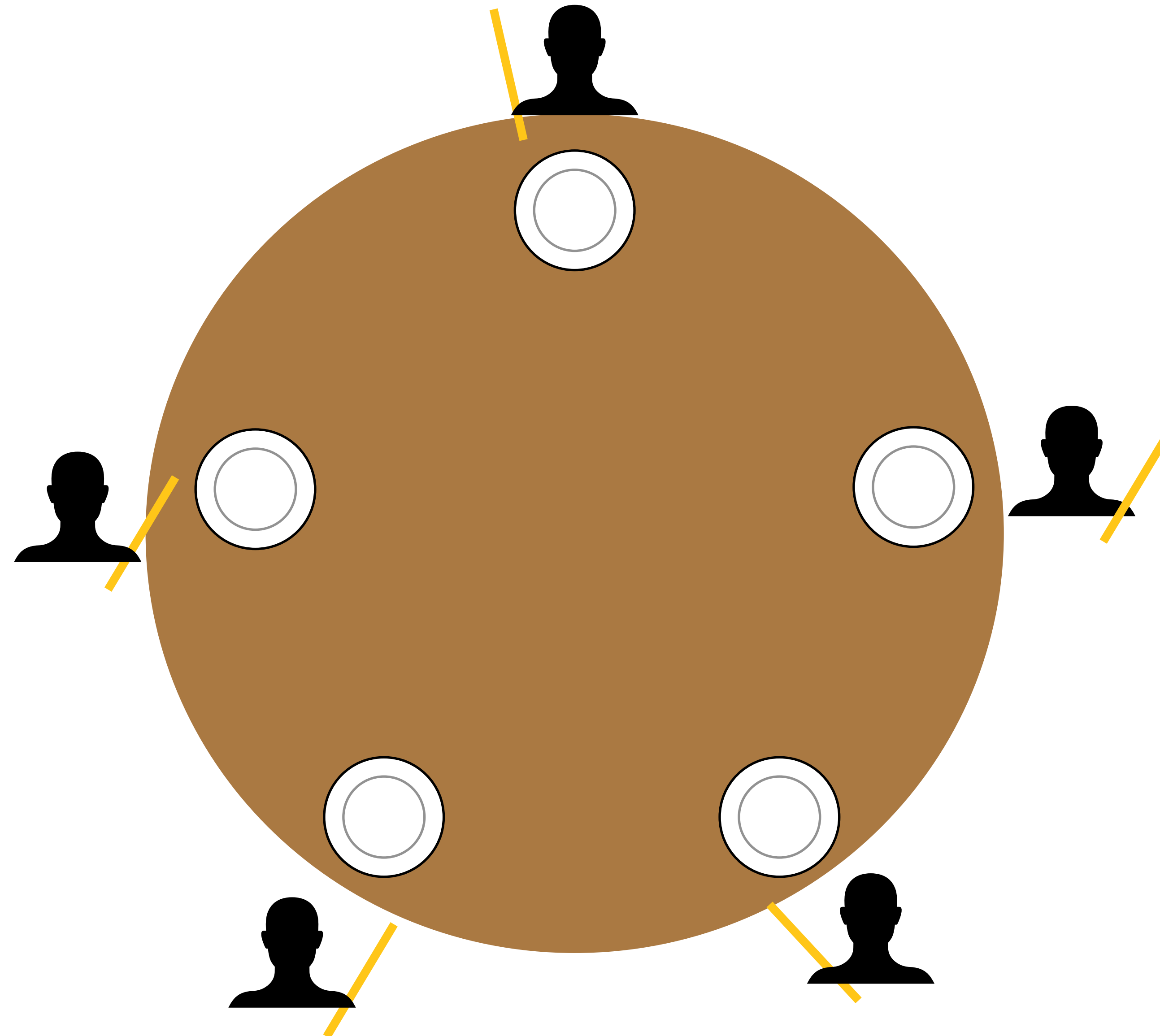
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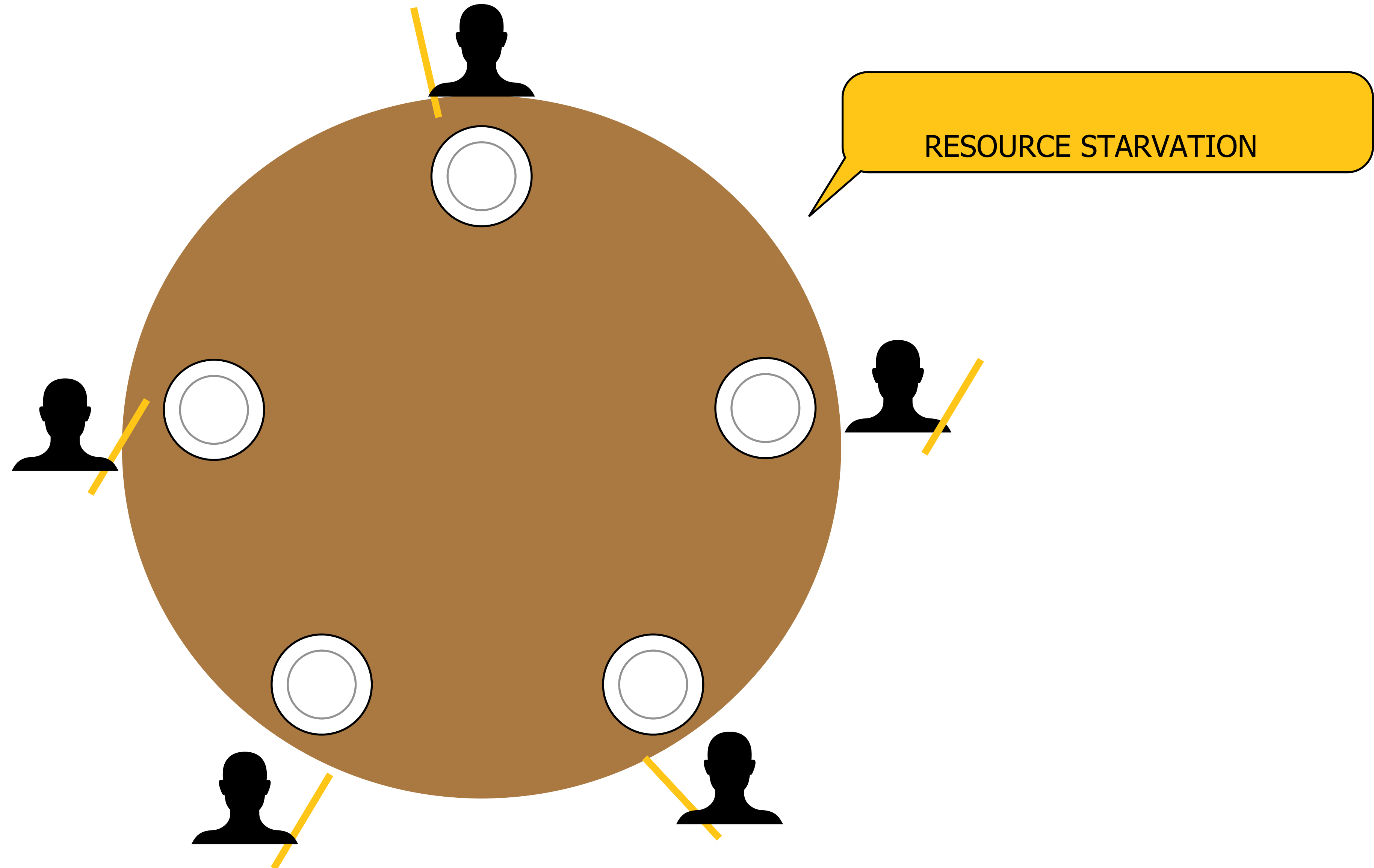
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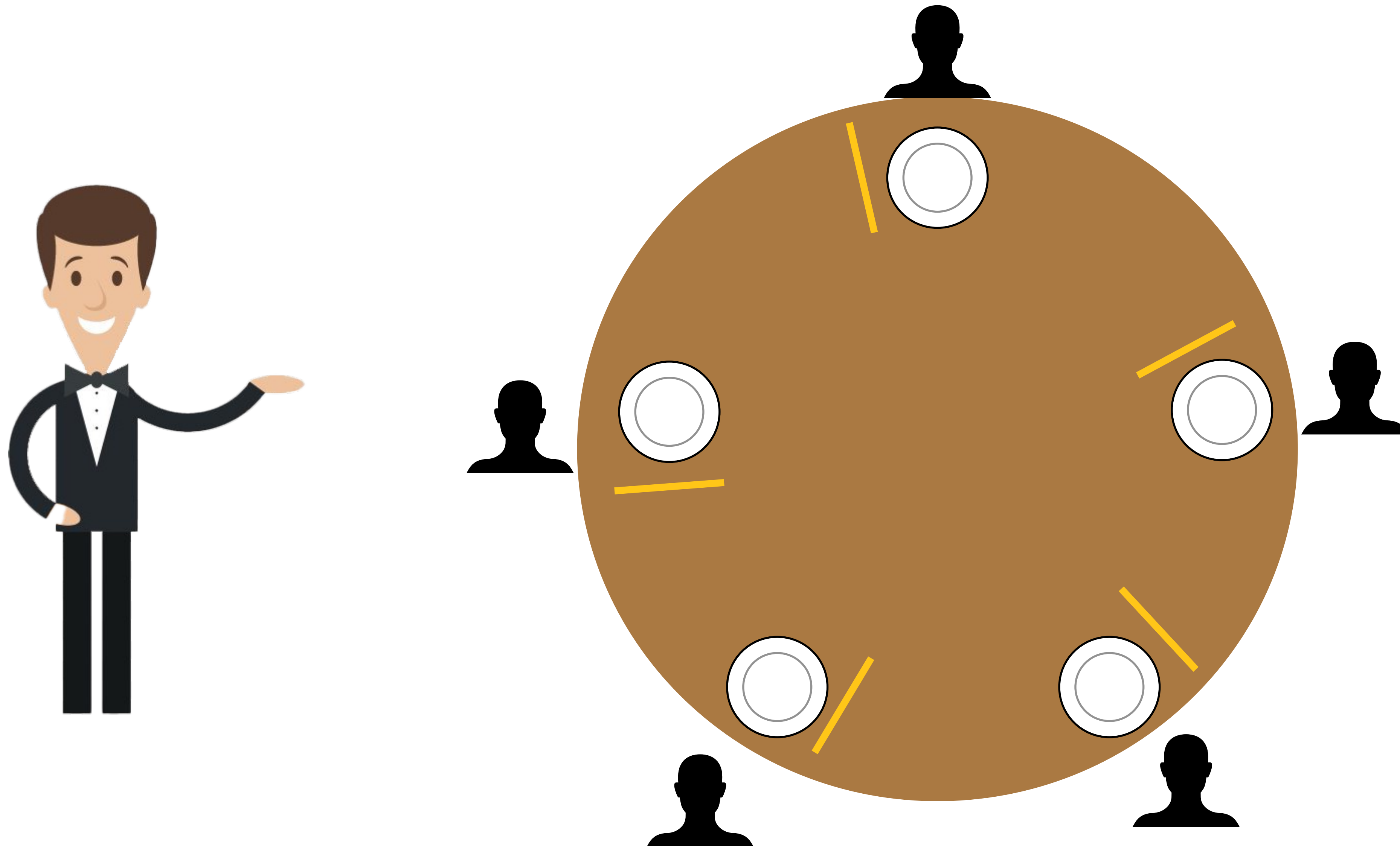
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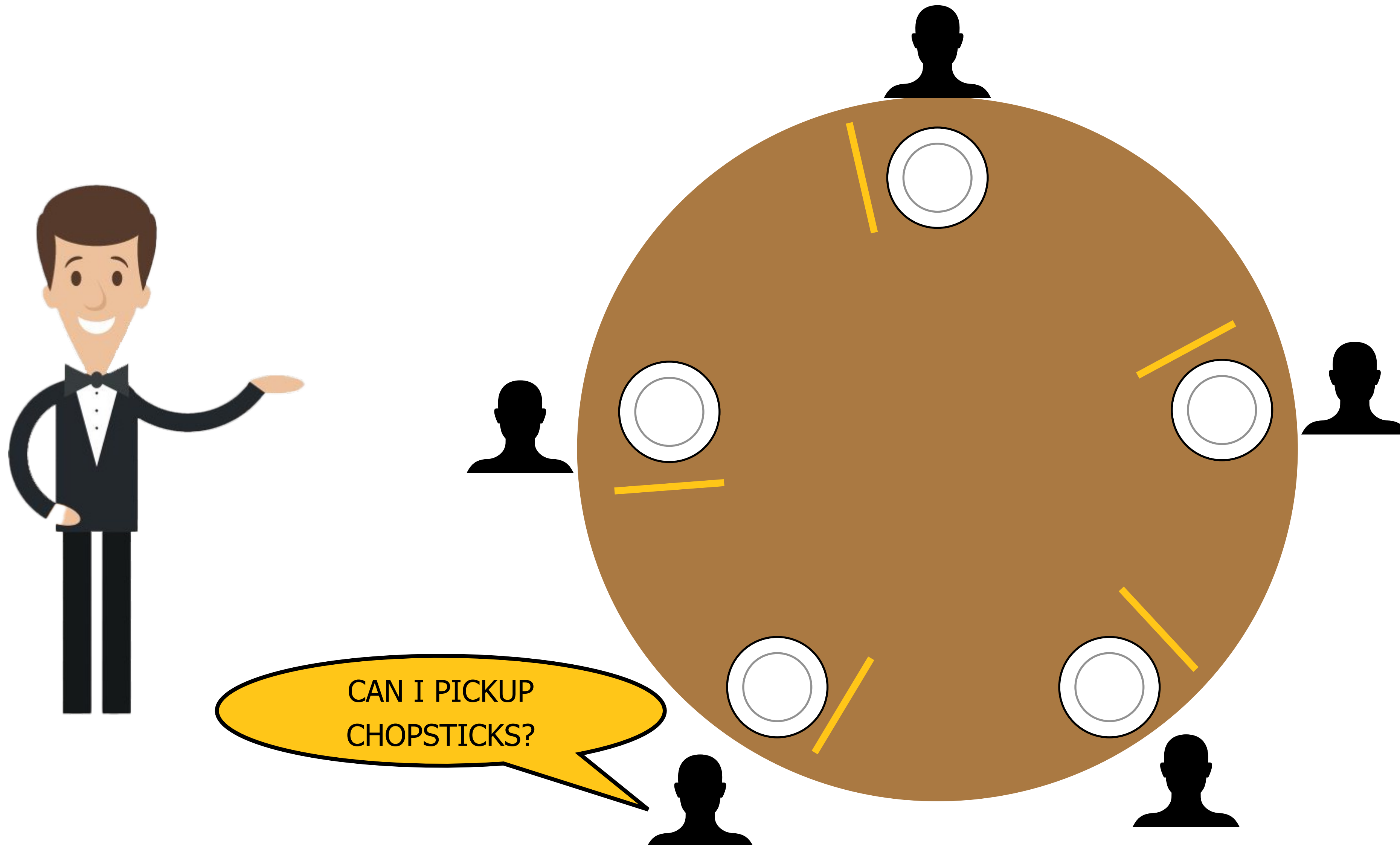
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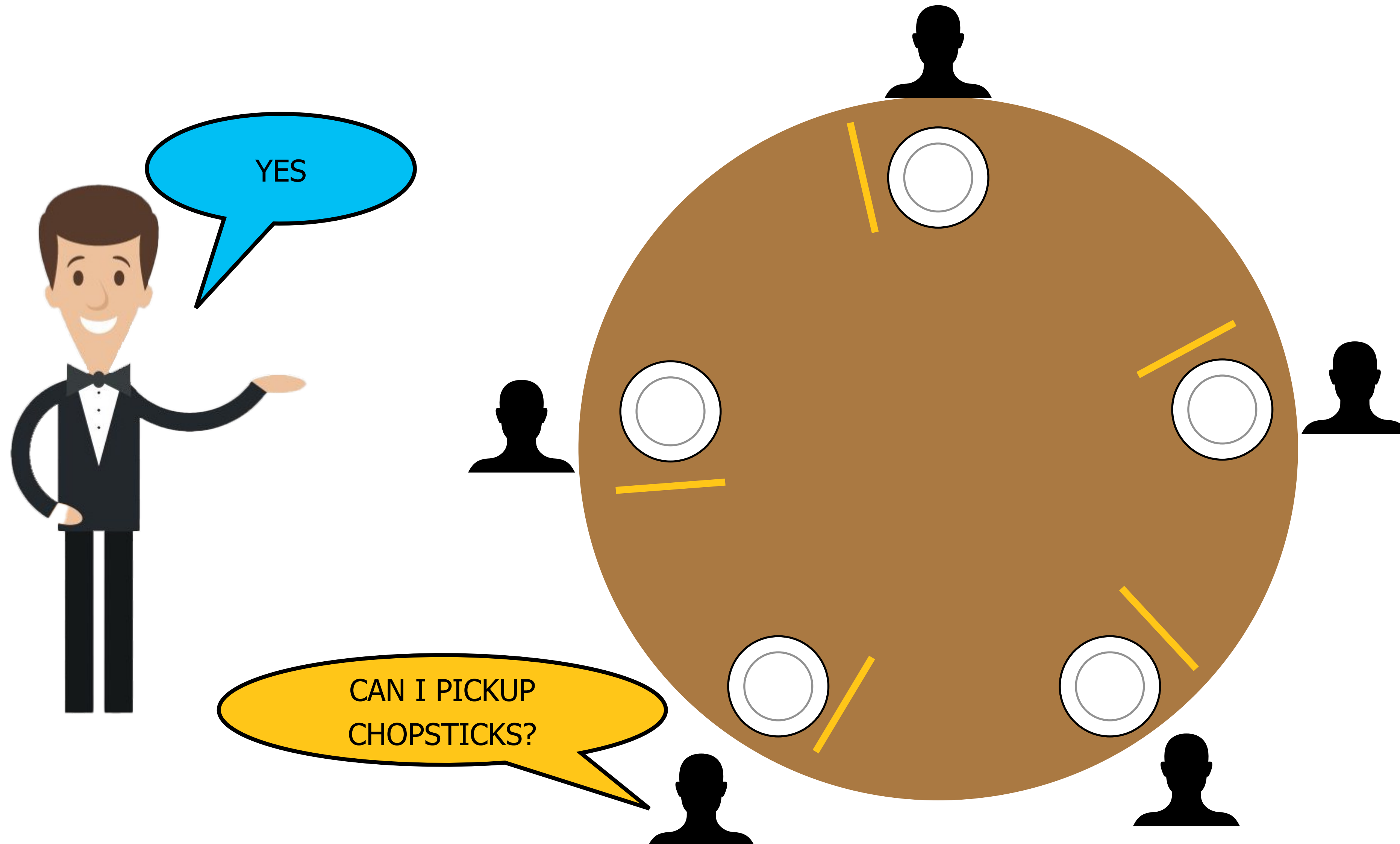
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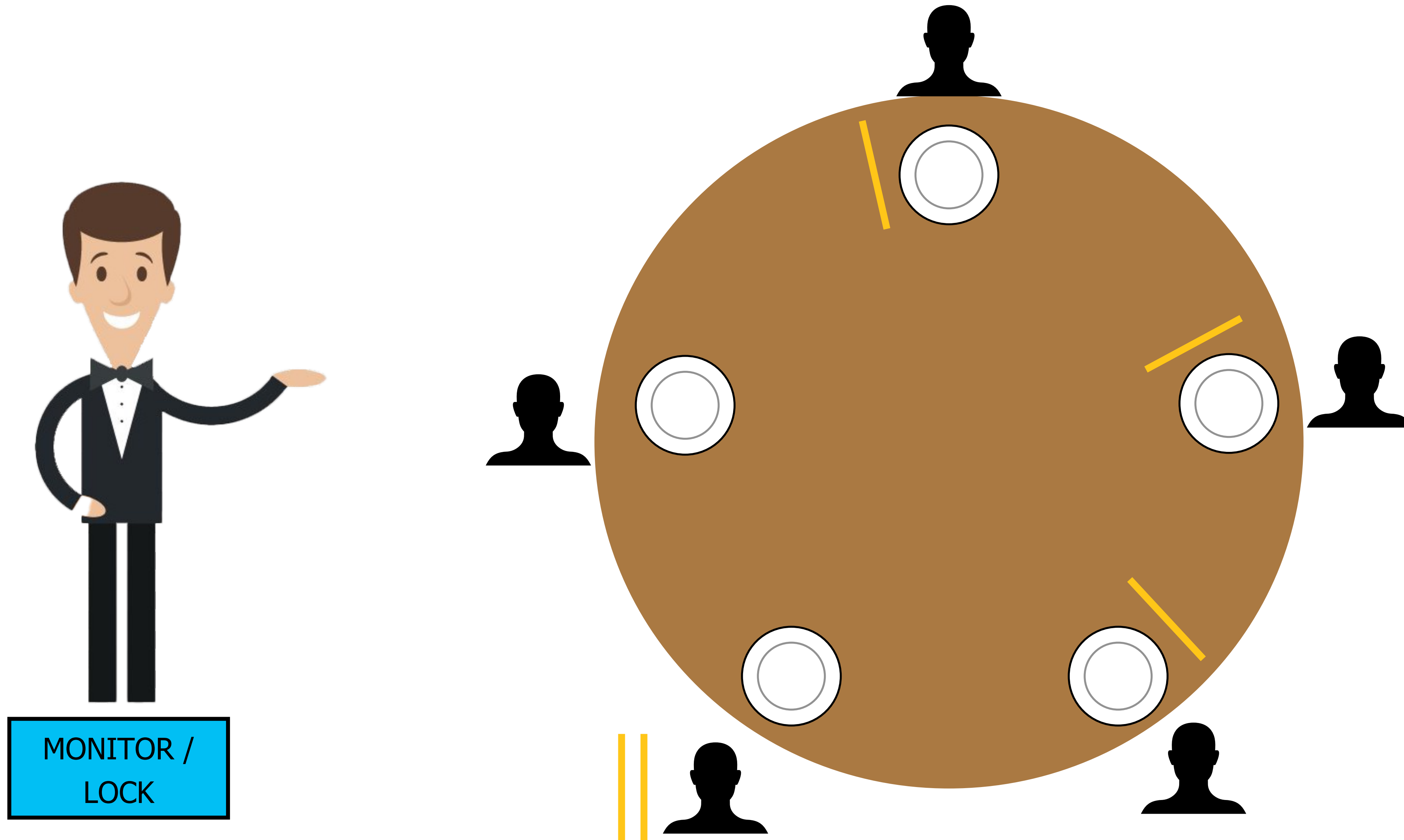
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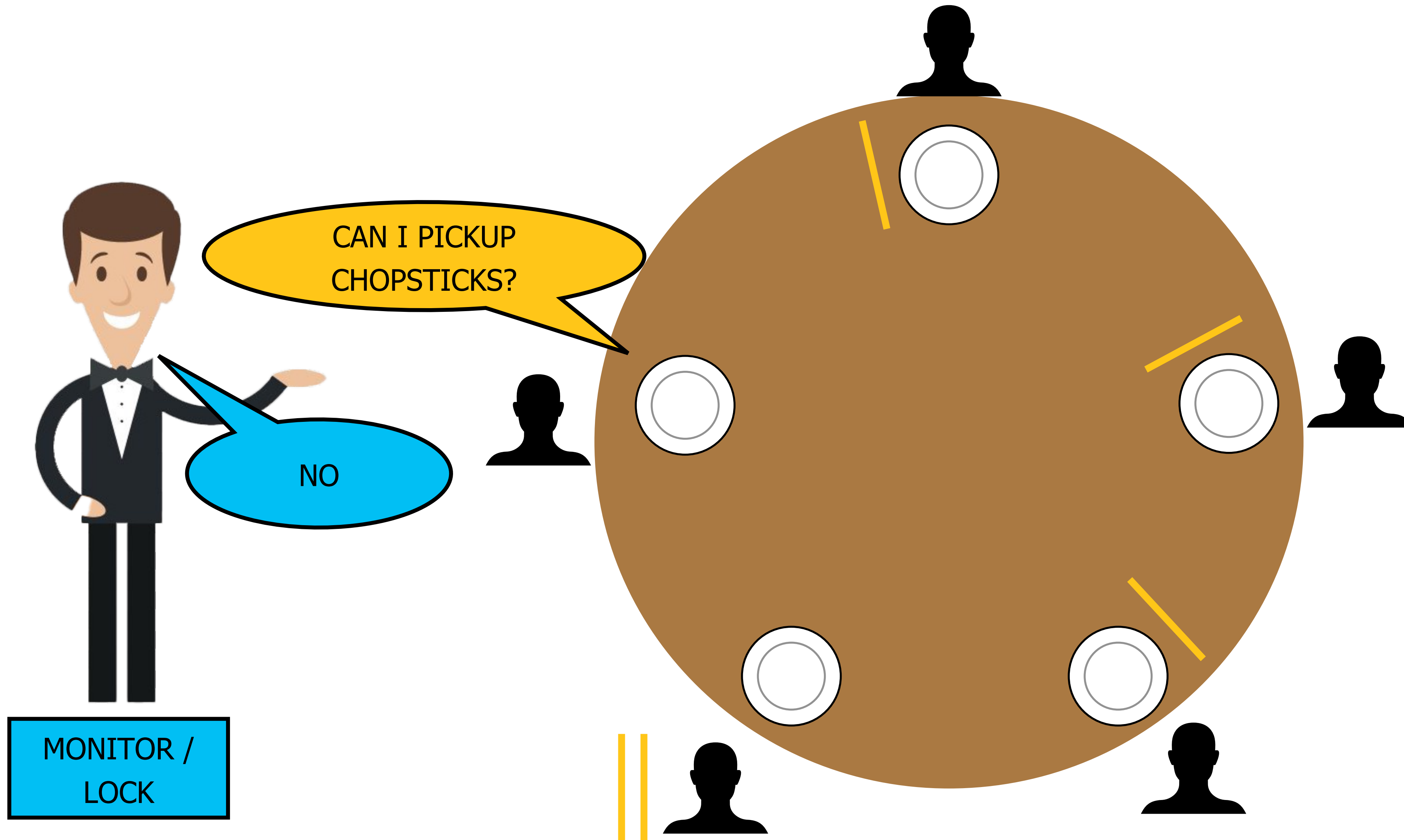
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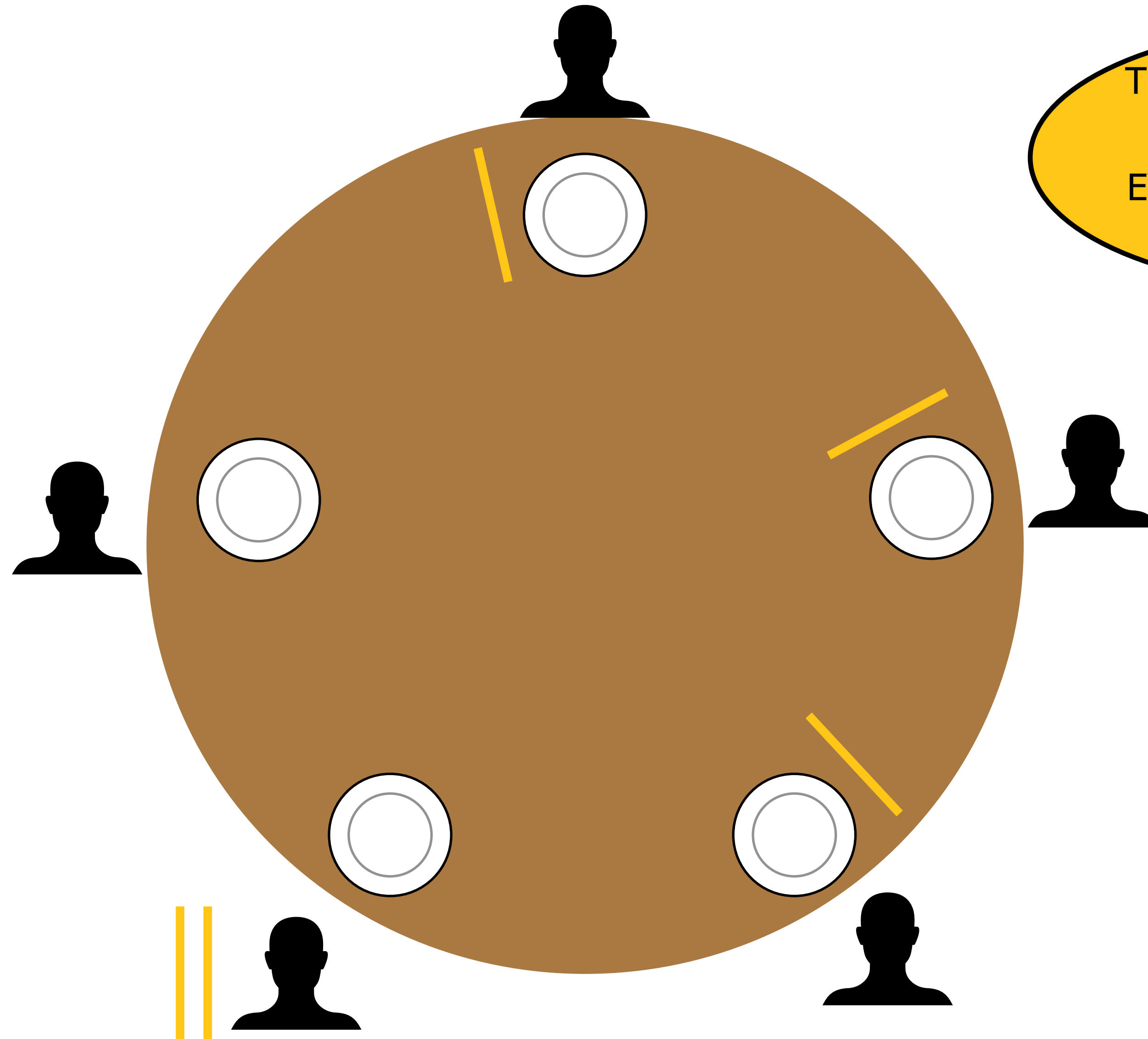
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MONITOR /
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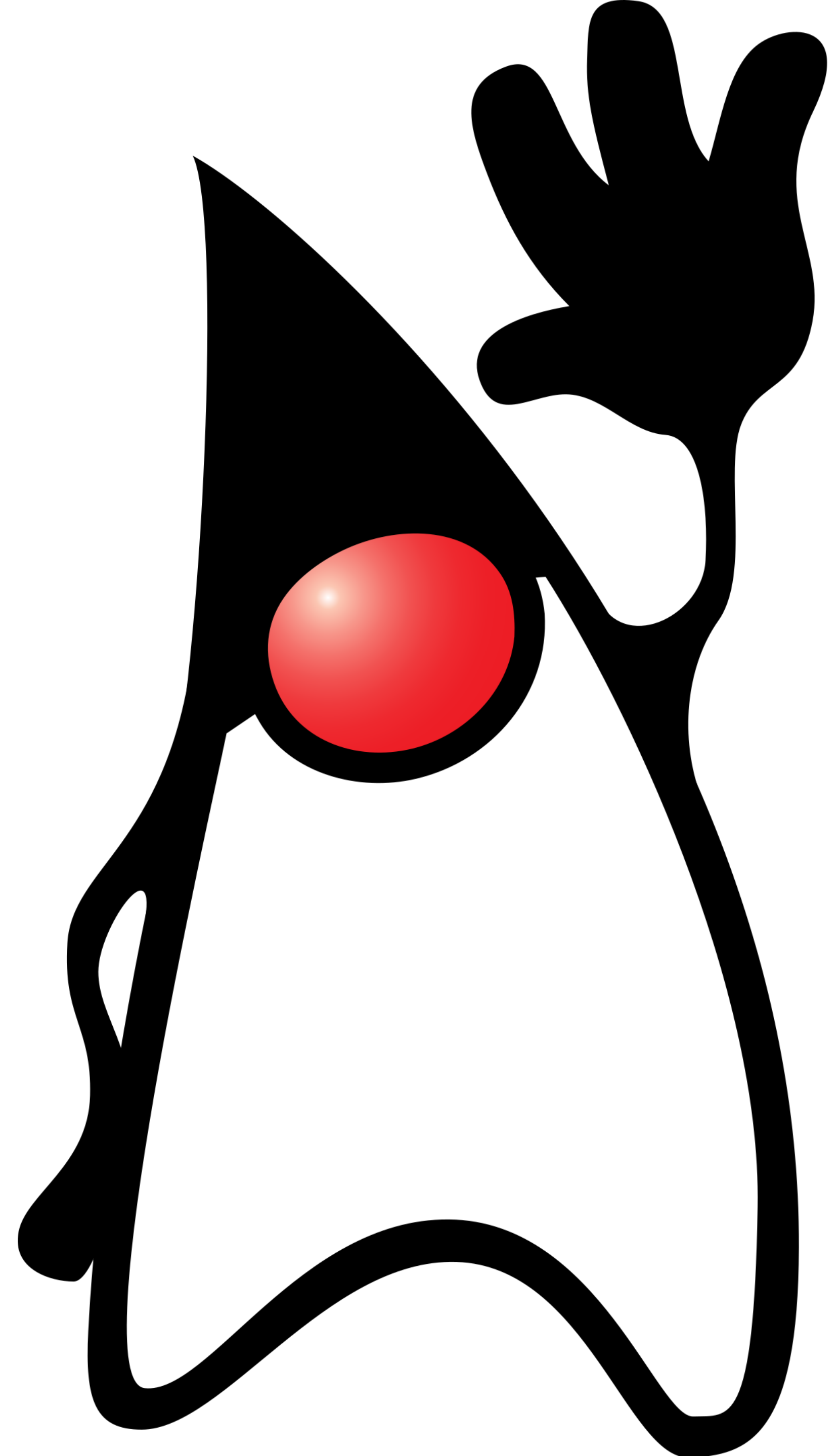
THE MONITOR NEEDS TO
ENSURE THAT
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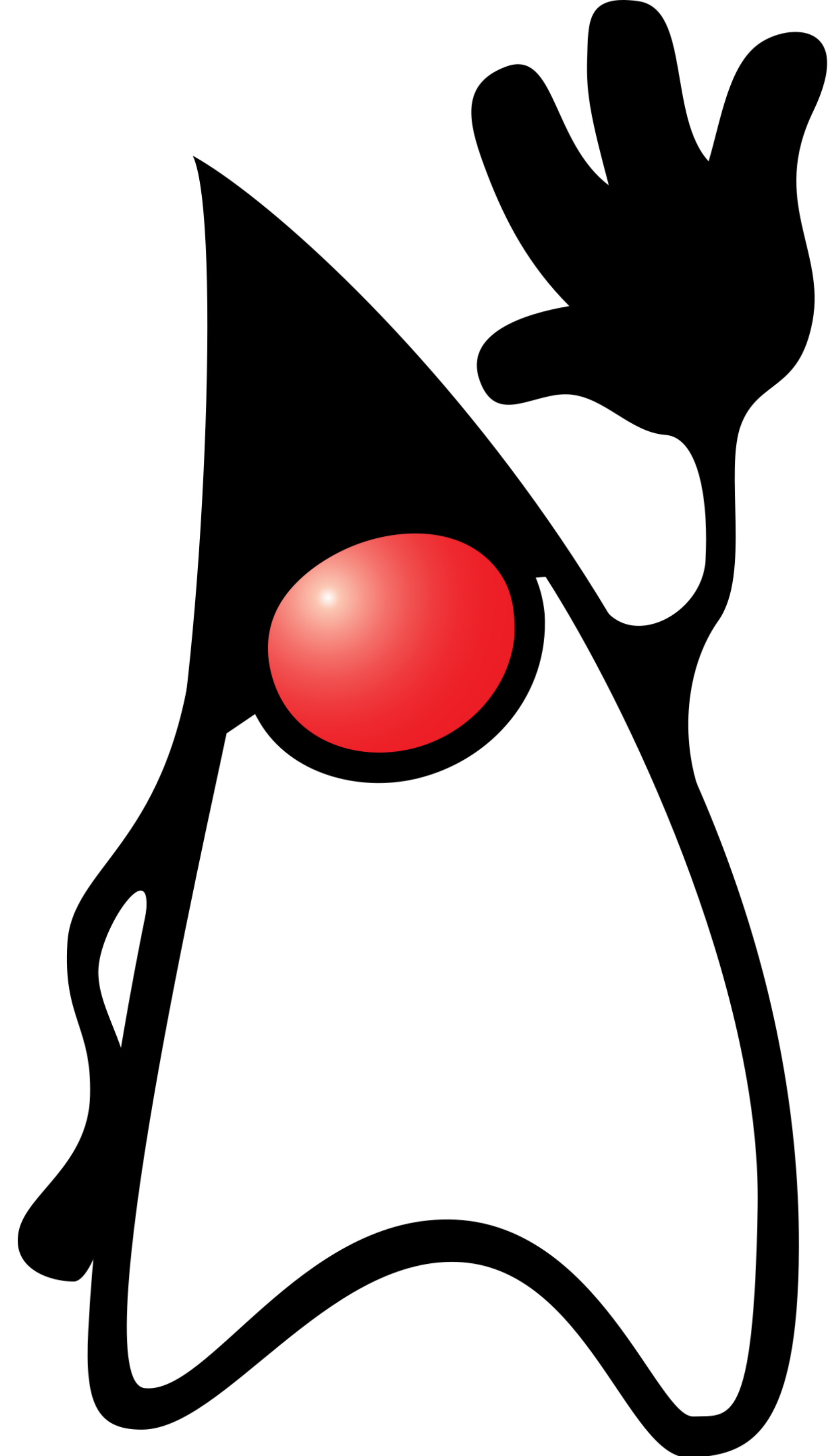
EXAMPLE SYNCHRONISATION

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LECTURE (WEEK 8)

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EXAMPLE: INTERPROCESS COMMUNICATION