Understanding Garbage Collectors

in object-oriented programming

Lecture 3 - Profiling the Garbage Collector

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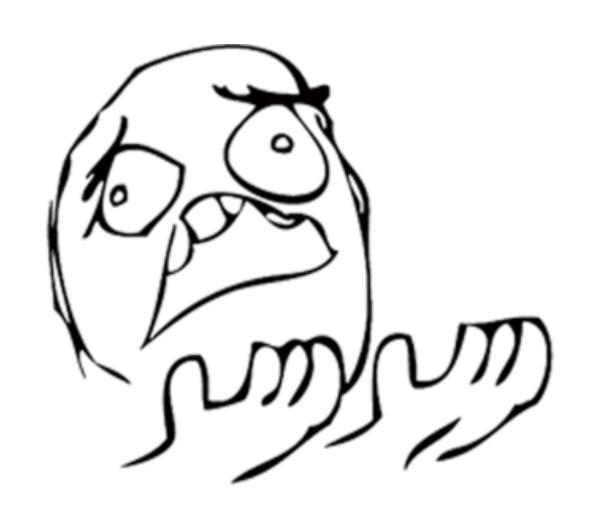








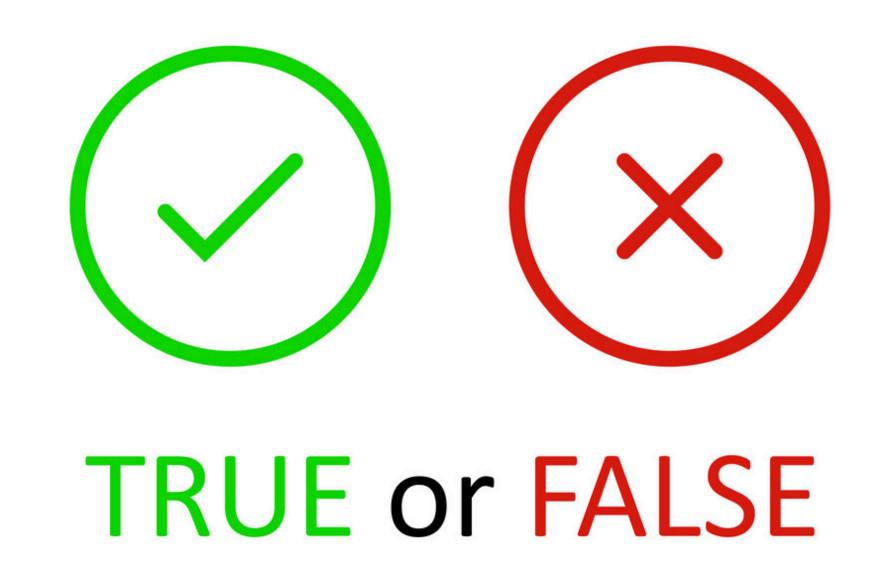
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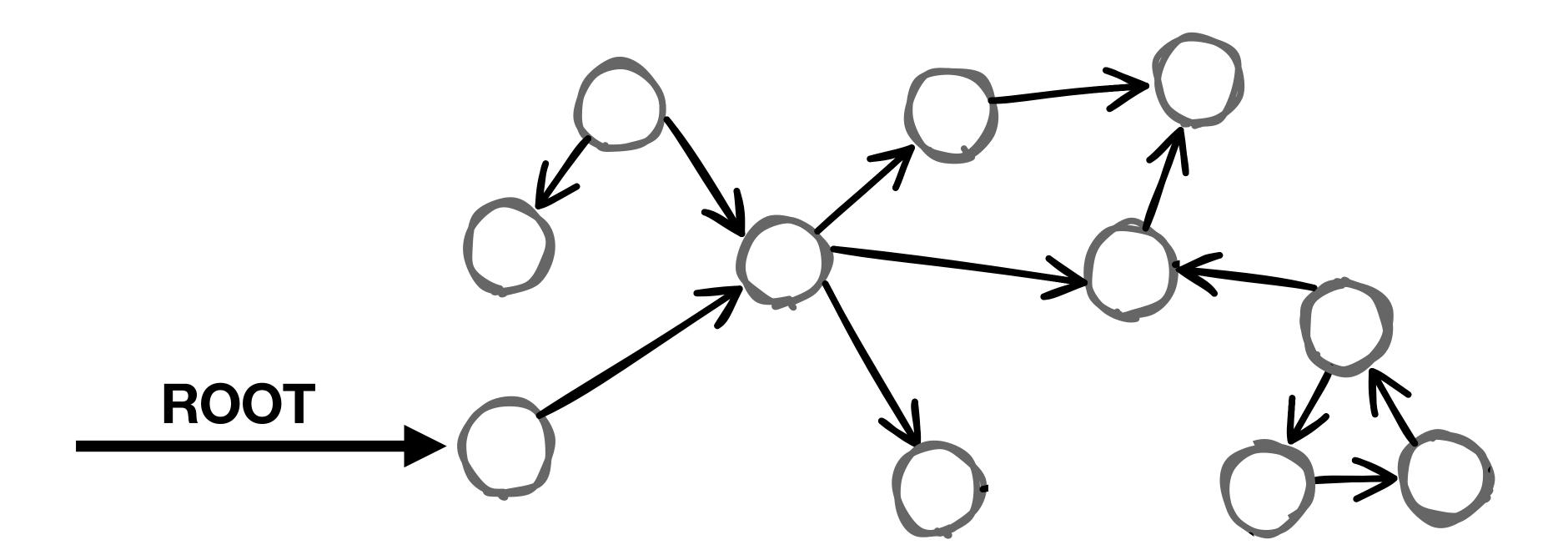


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Playground

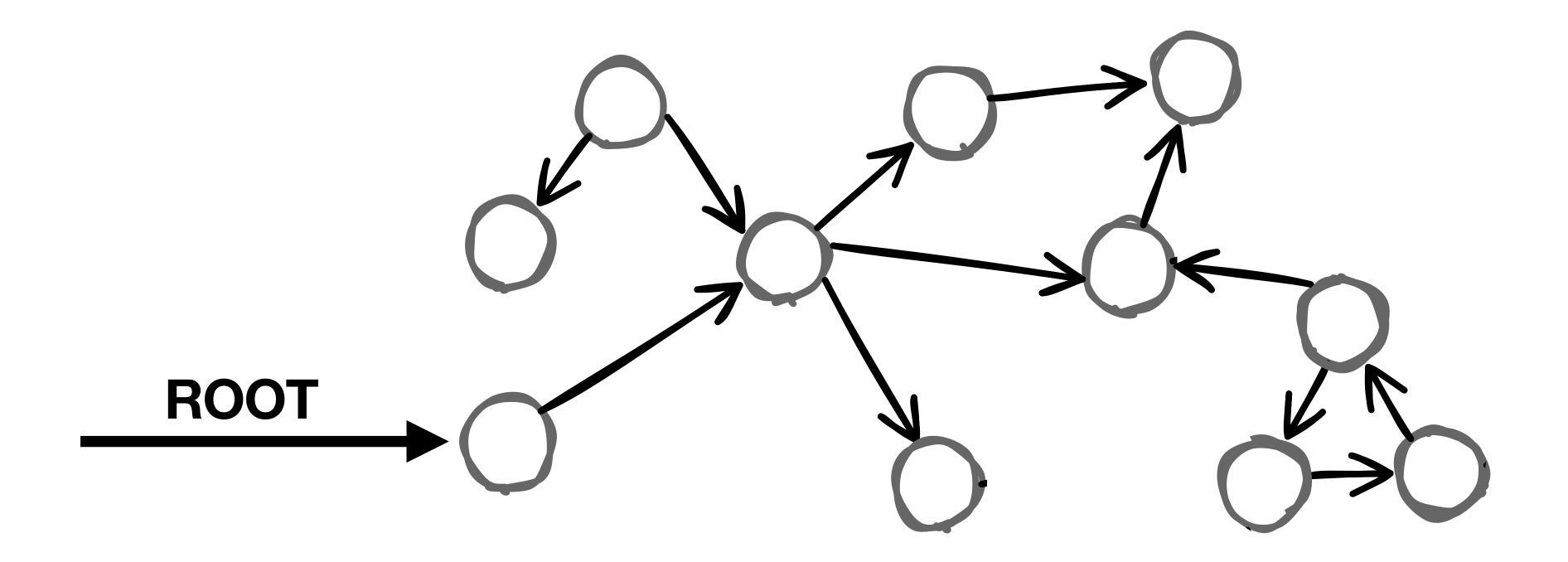
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pepita := Swallow new.
pepita areYouTired.
pepita fly: 30.
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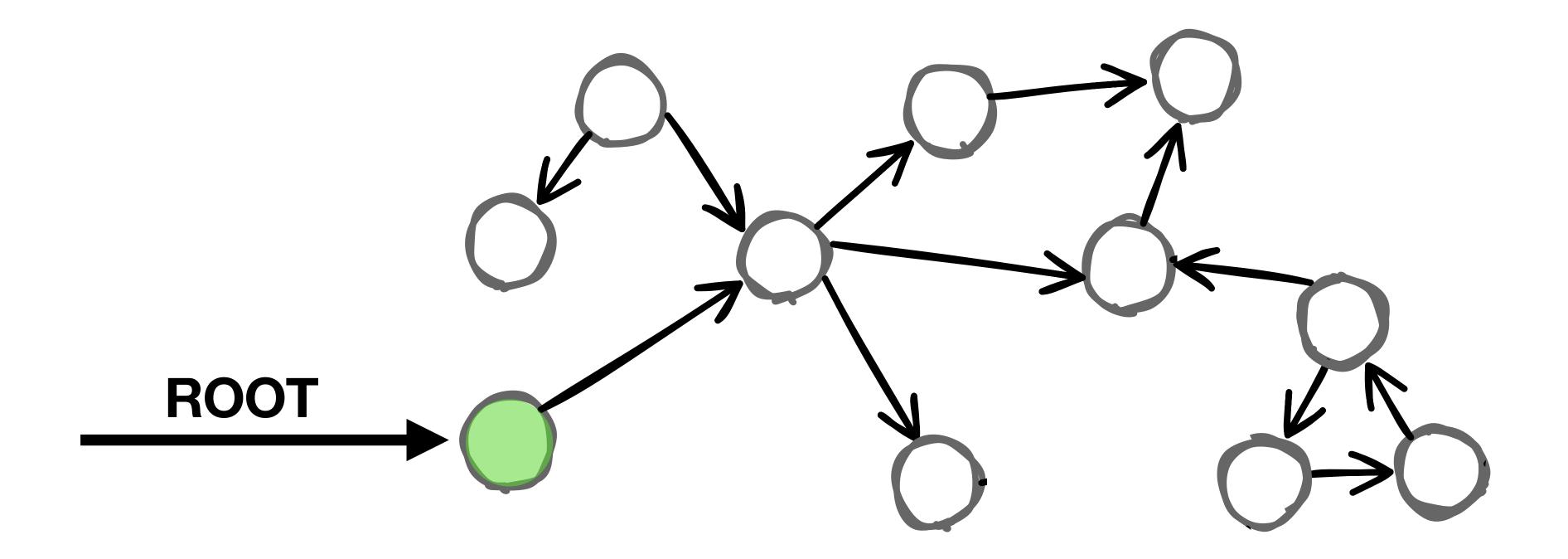
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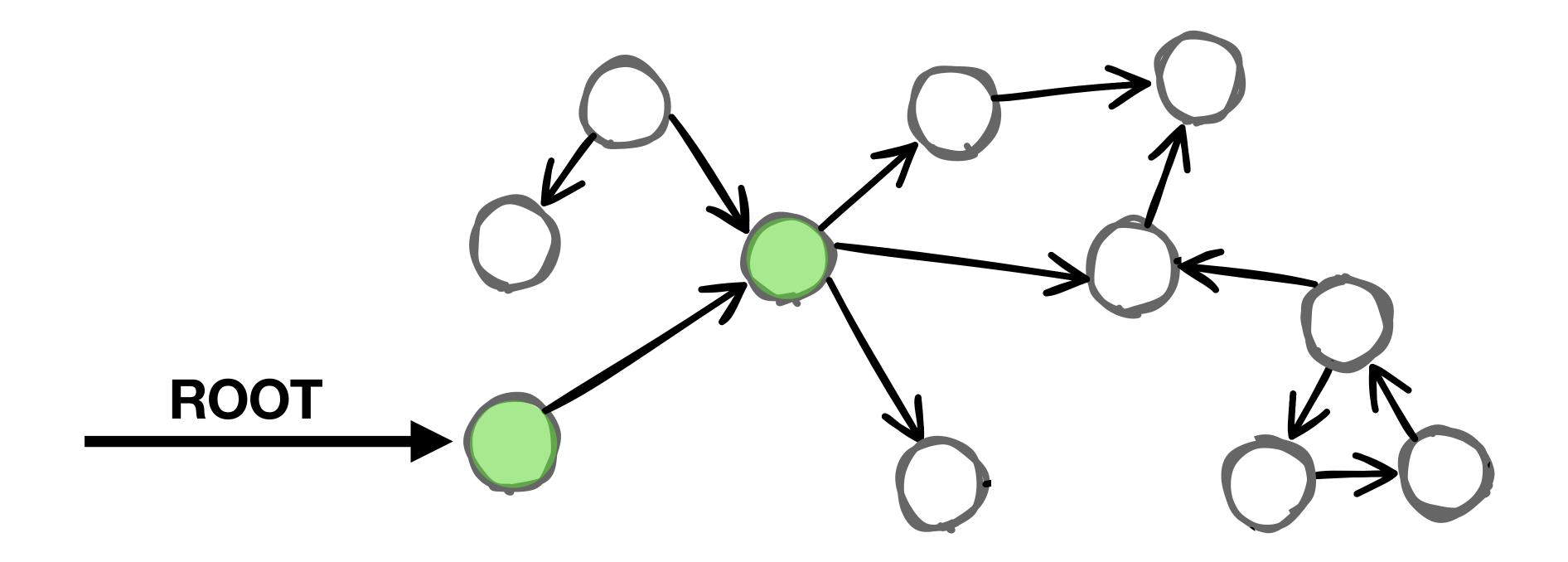
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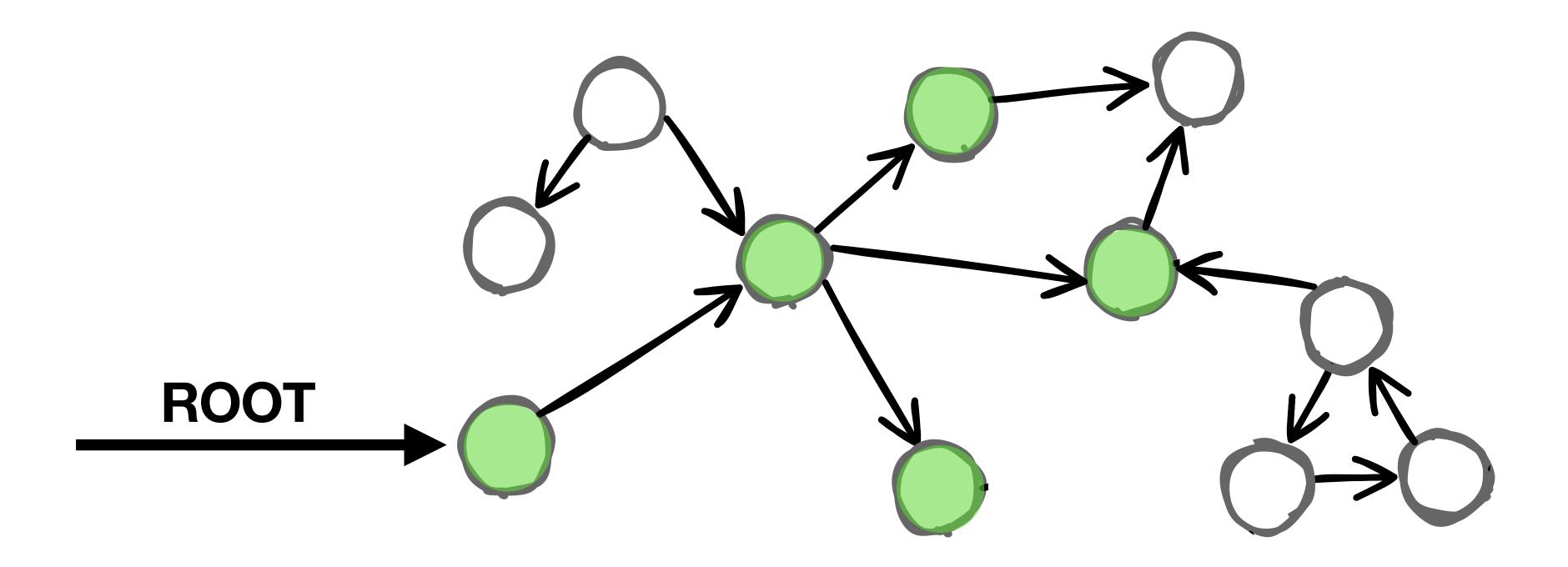
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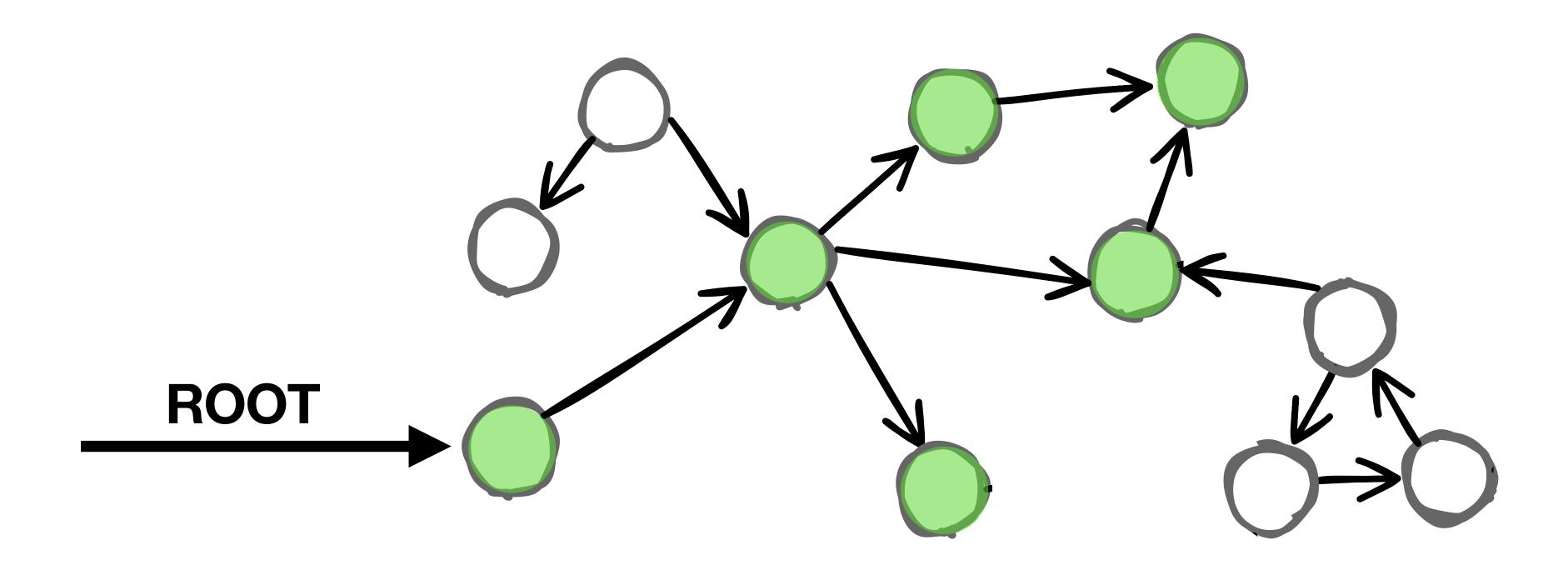
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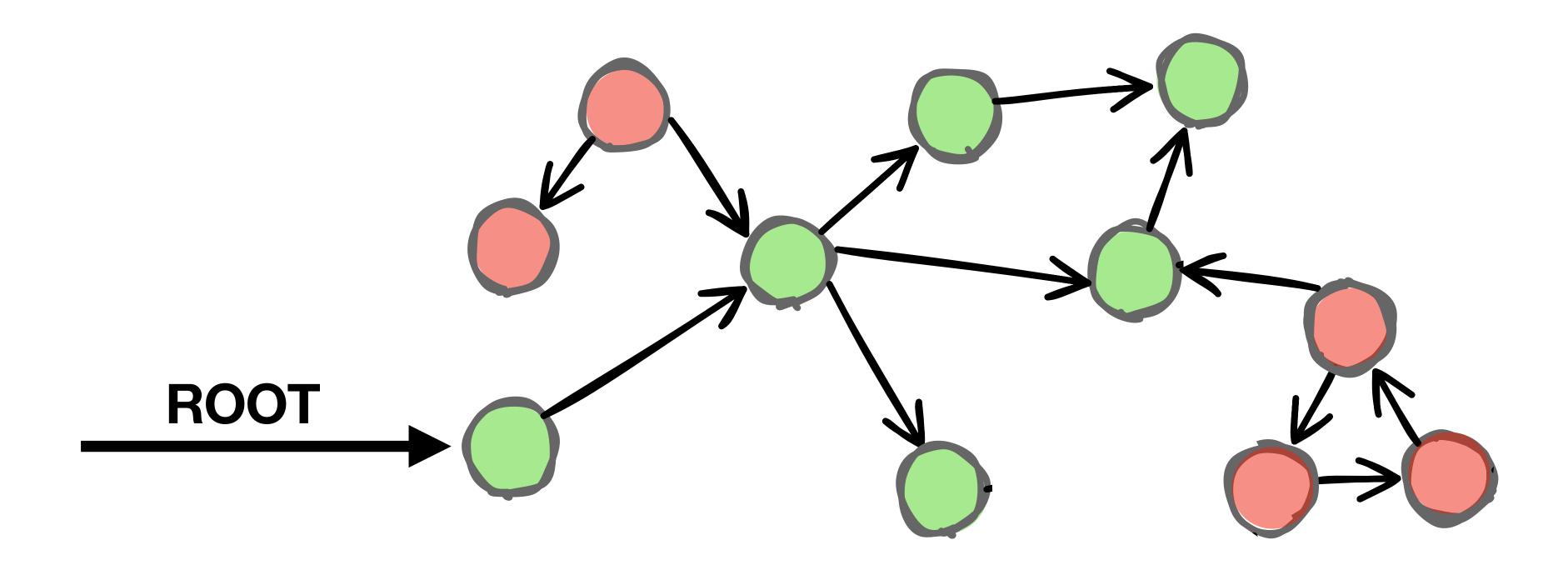
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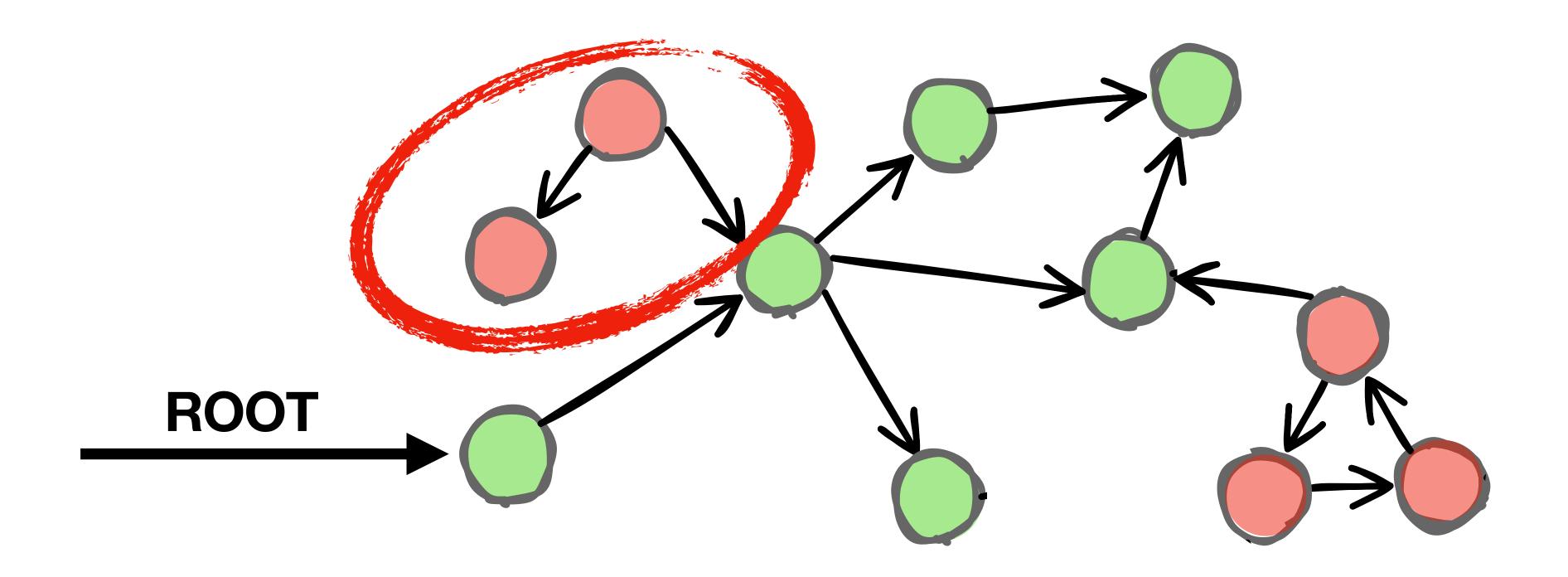
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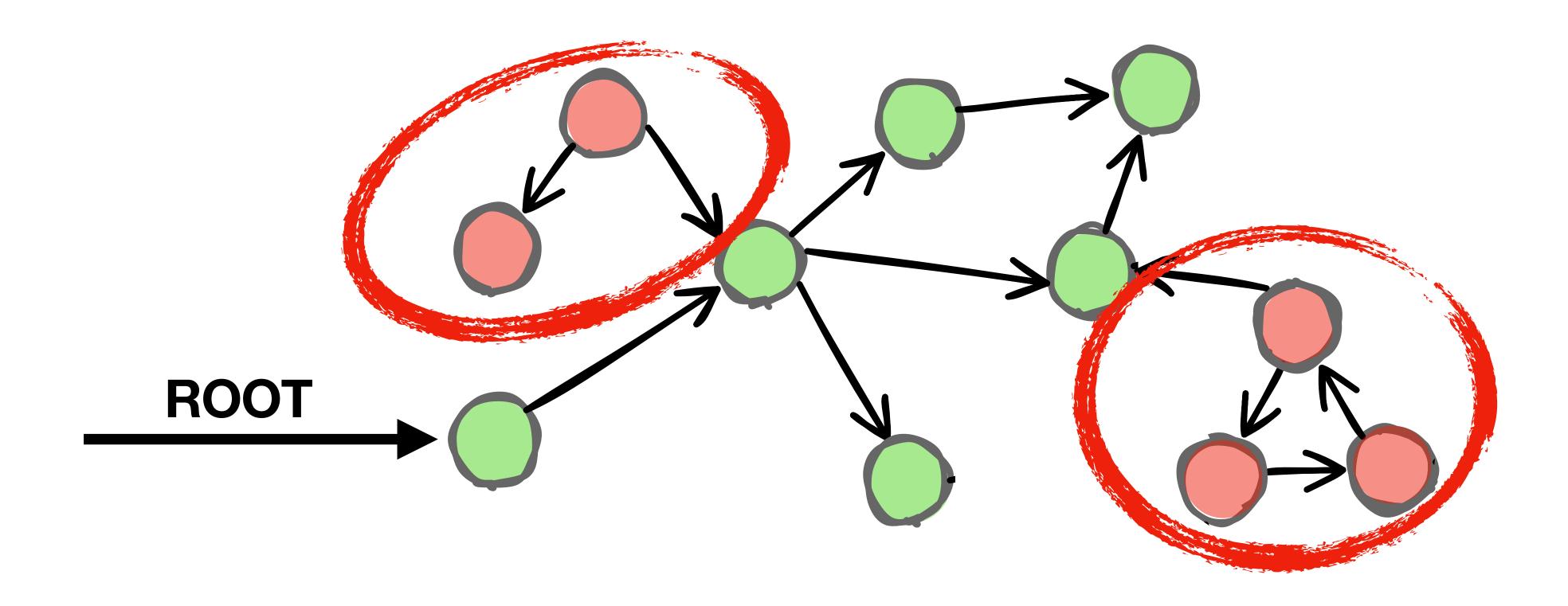
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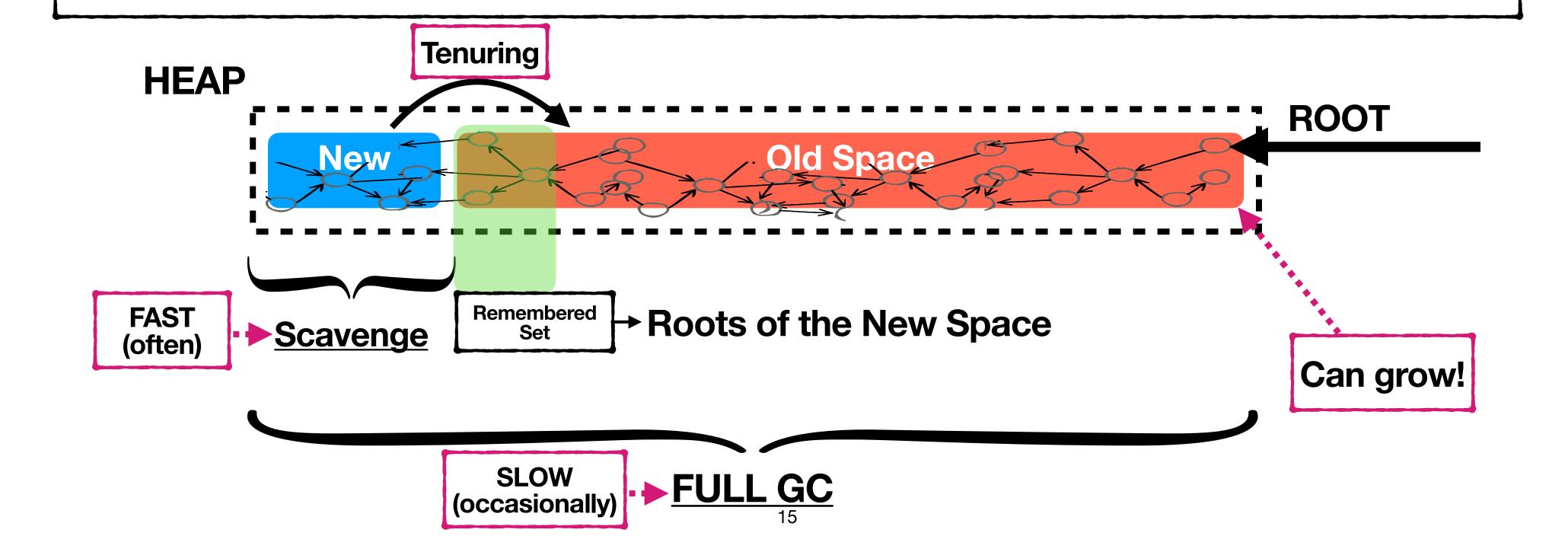
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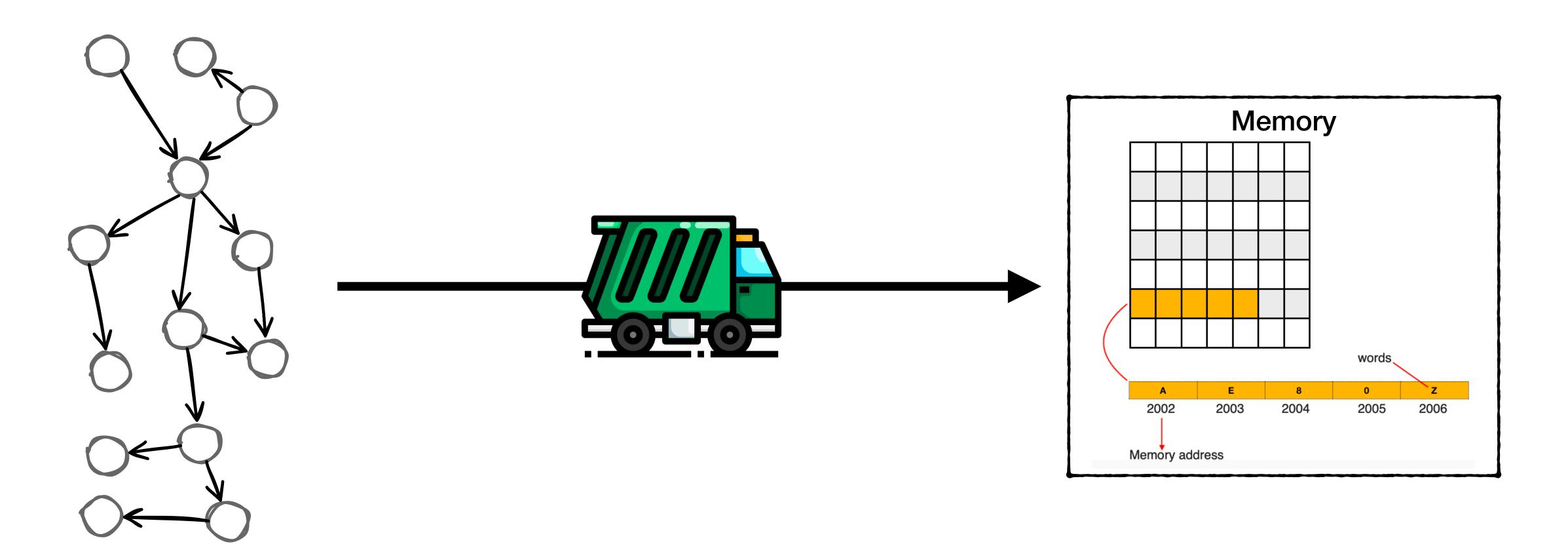
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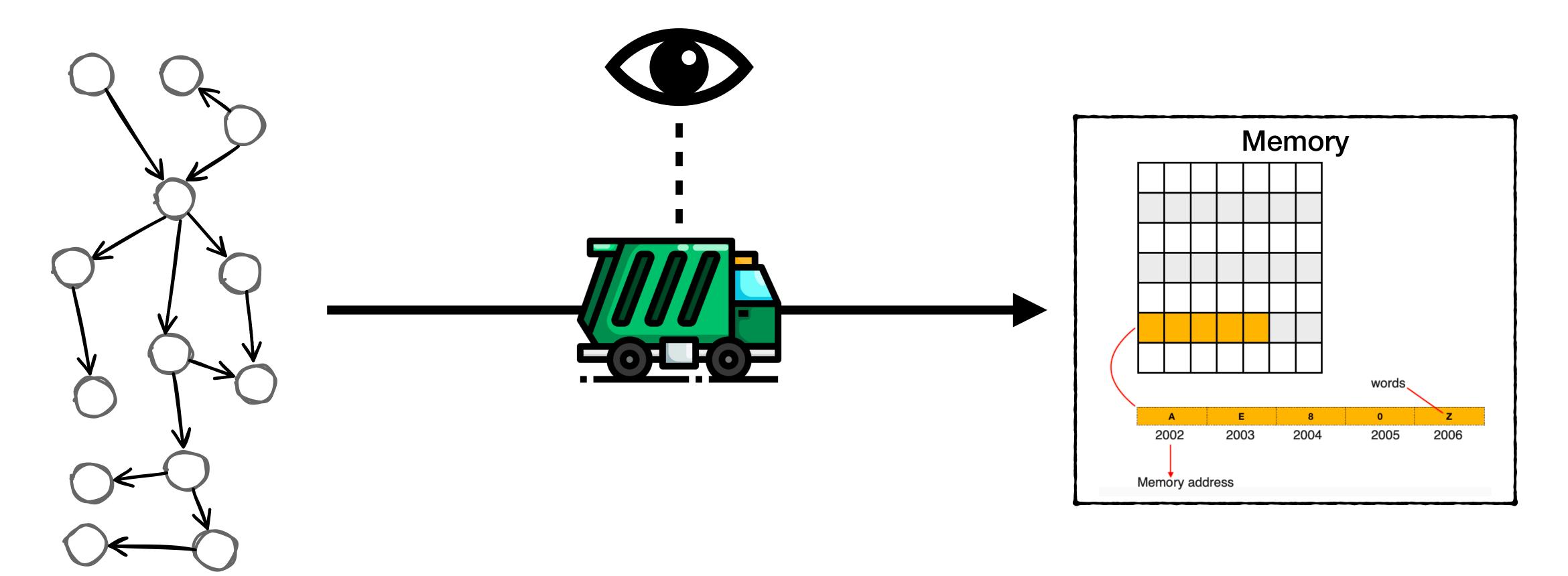
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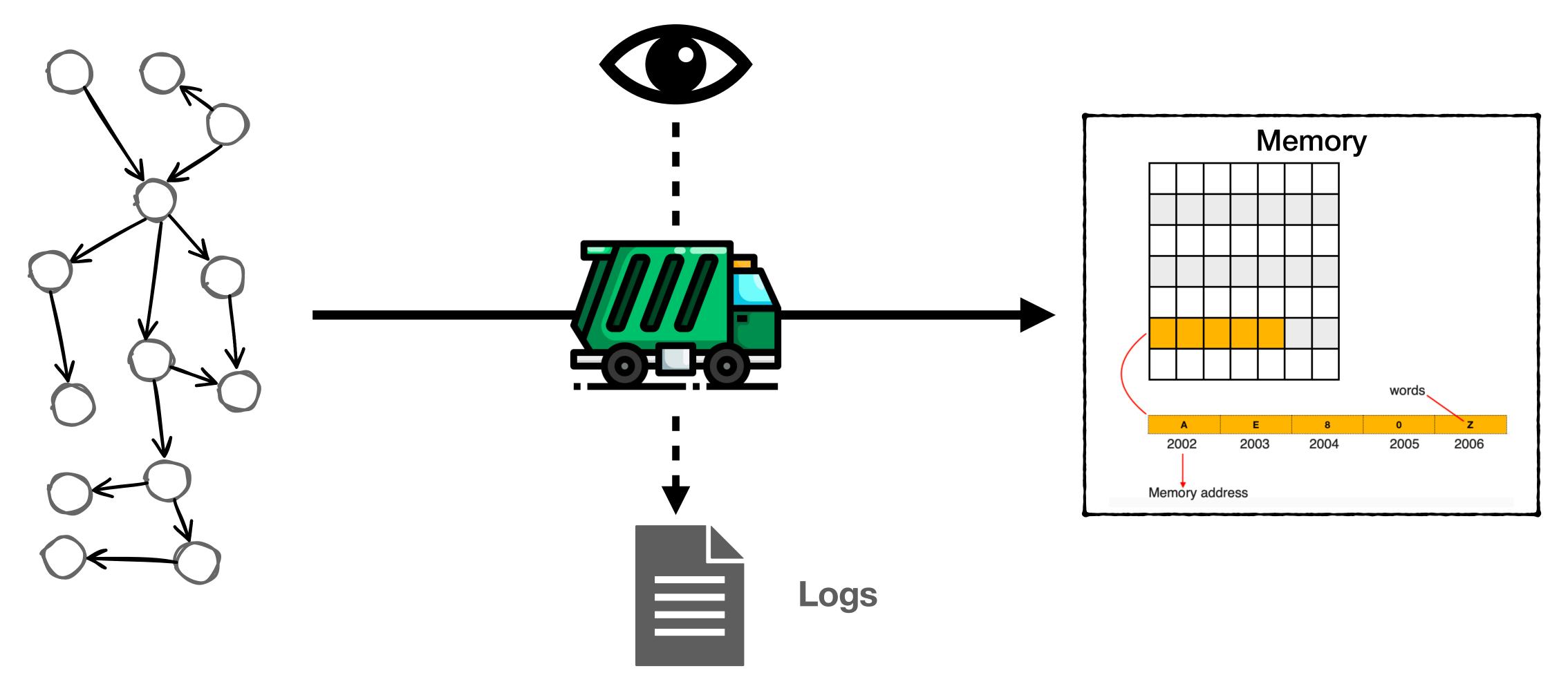
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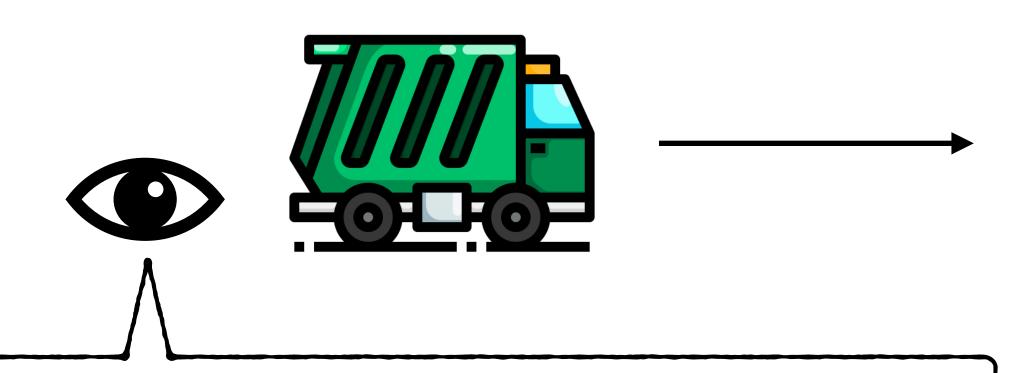
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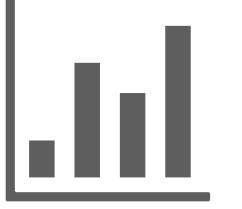
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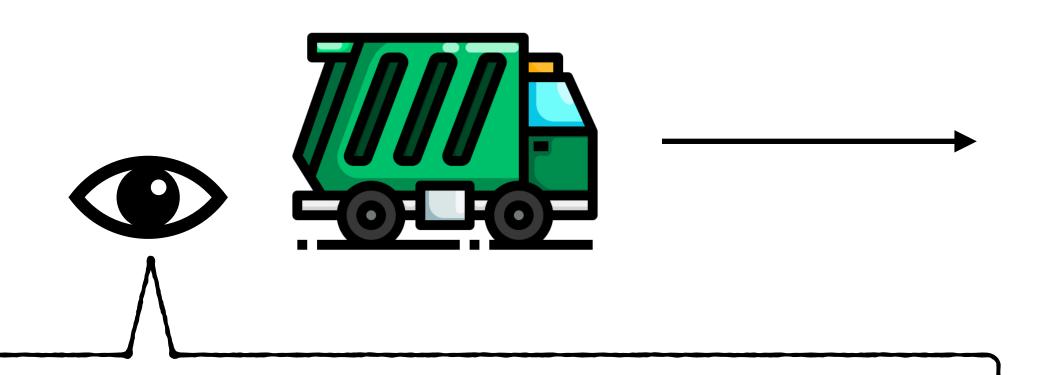
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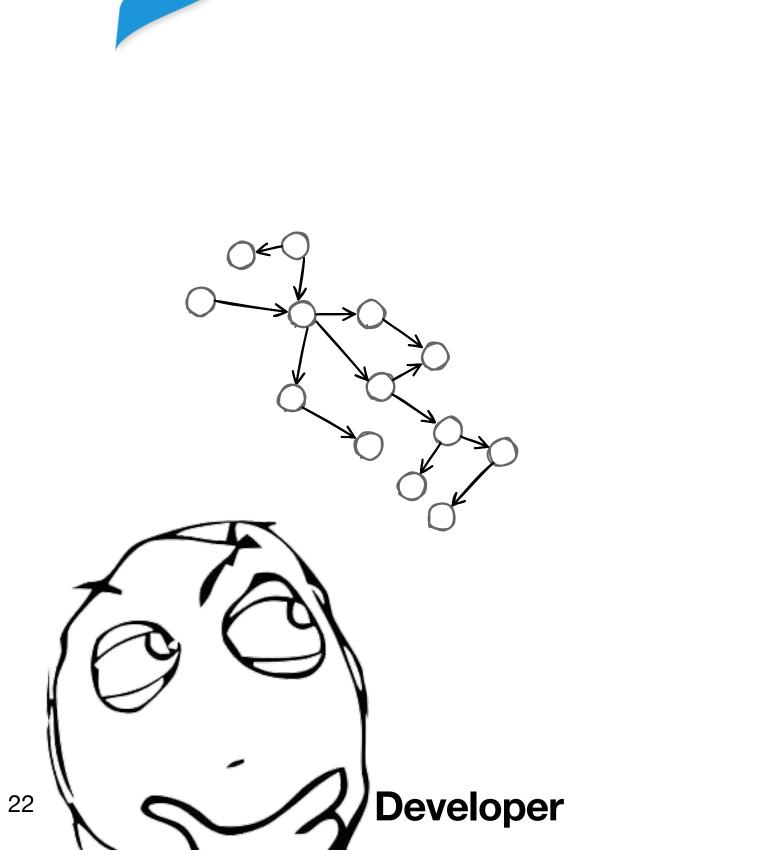


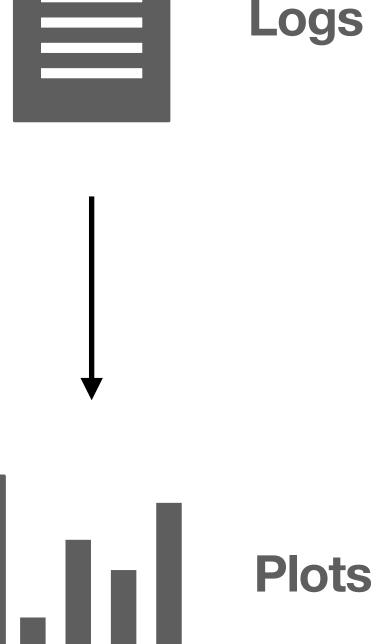
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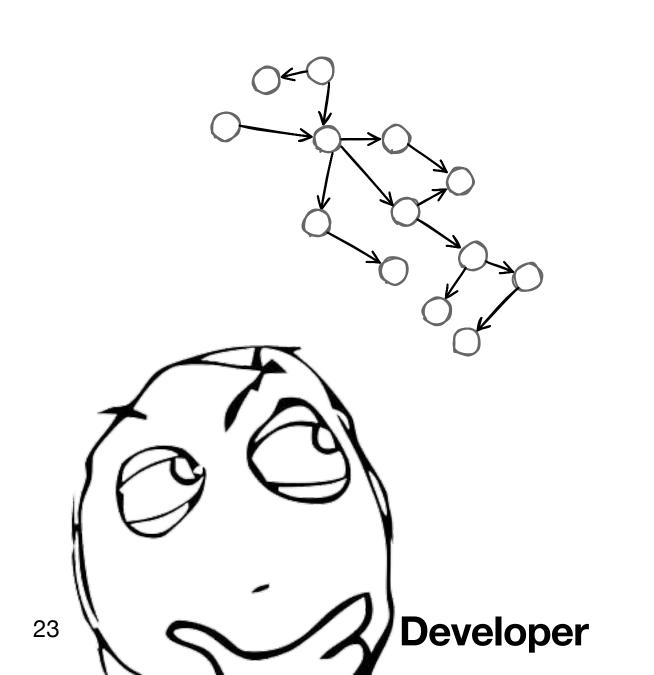


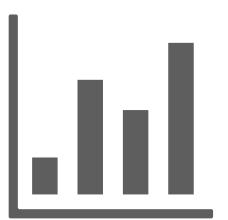


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