

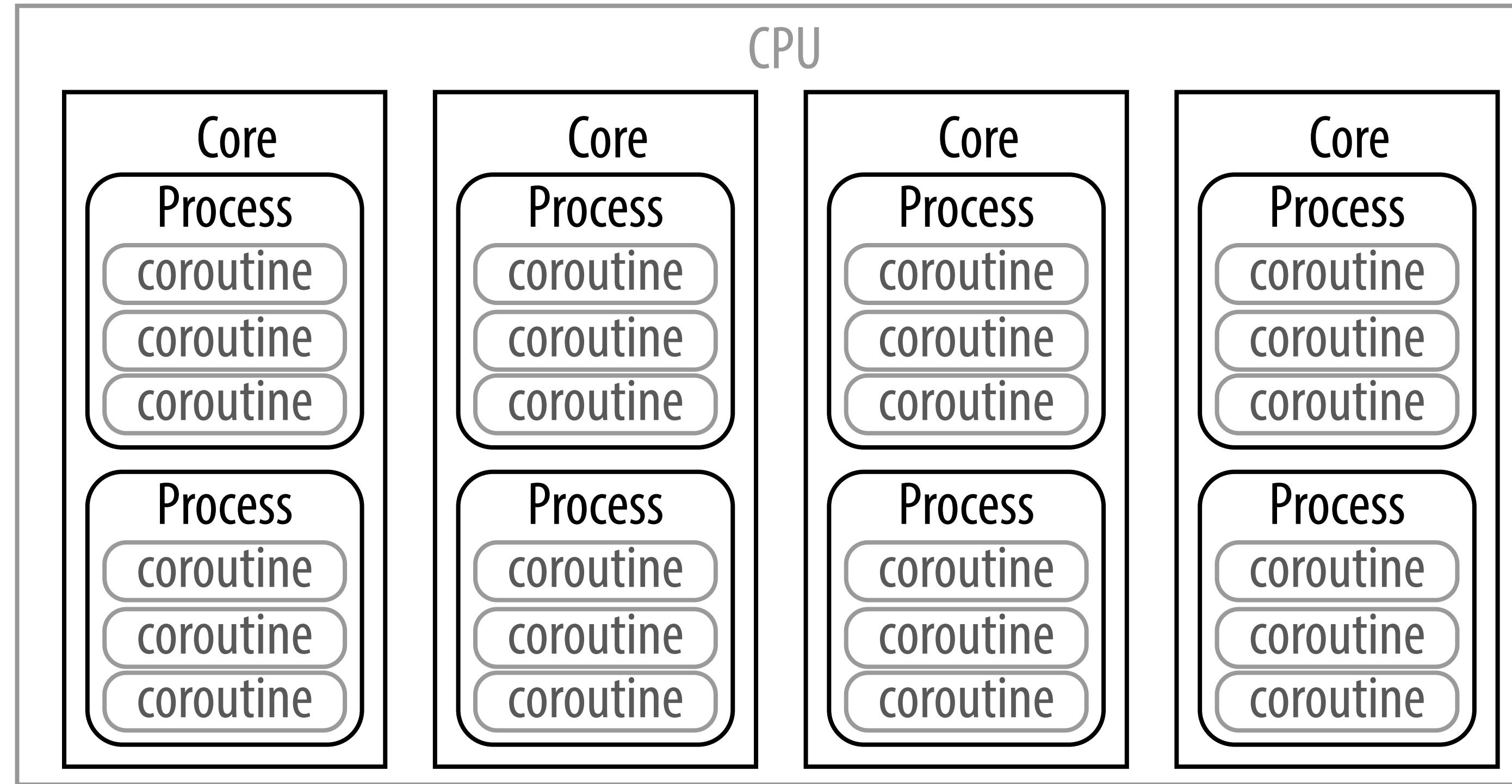
# HIO

# Hierarchical Asynchronous Coroutines & I/O

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# What is Asynchronous Processing?

Cooperative **logical concurrency** within a single process/thread plus **nonblocking IO**.



Advantages:

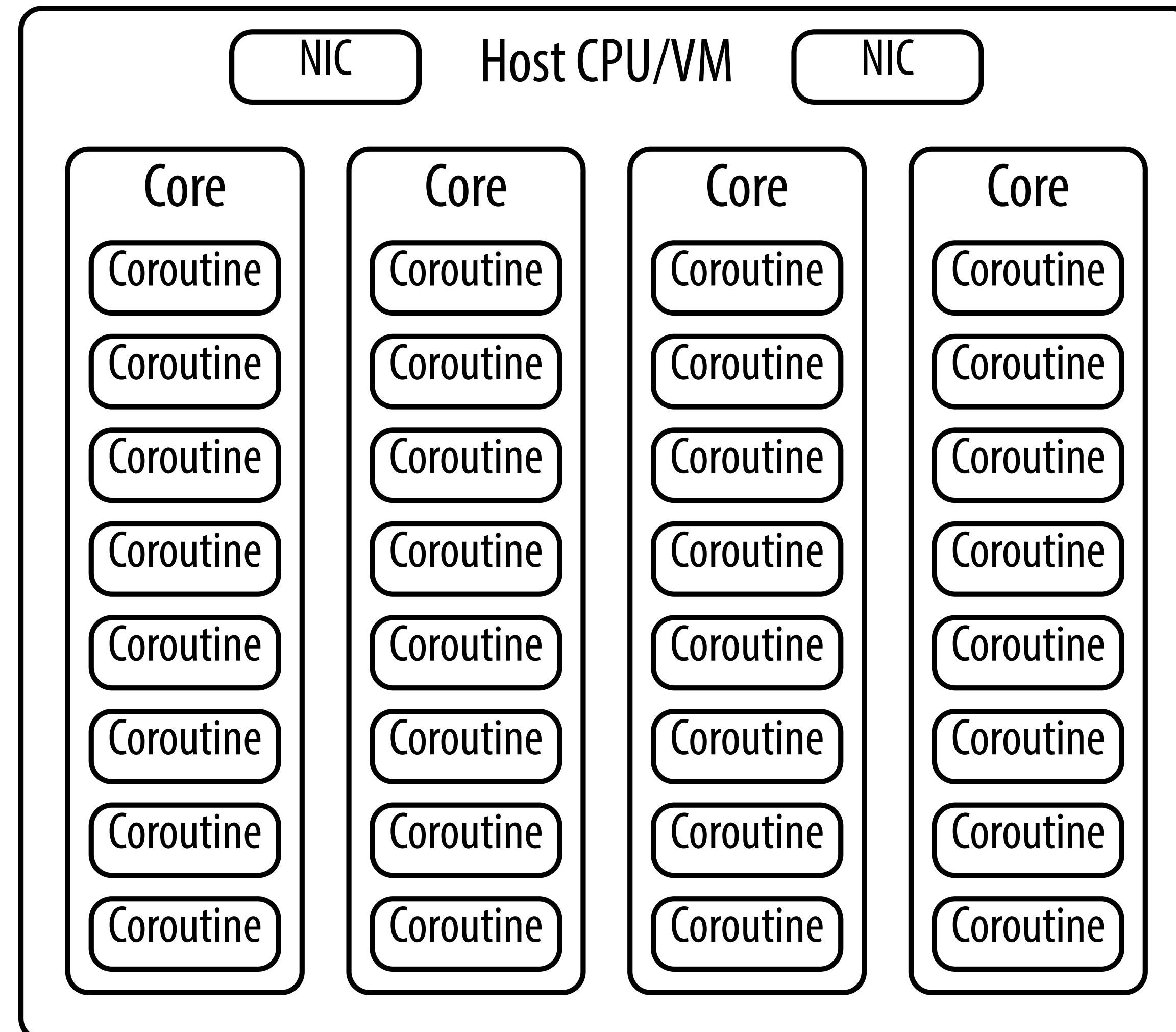
Performant, 1 process per core/hyperthread, minimizes context switch overhead usually >15%

Simple, no resources contentions, mutexes, locks, semaphores, everything is atomic wrt interruptions

Scalable, granularity matches logical concurrency not arbitrary host/process boundaries

# Asynchronous Optimized Computation

Coroutines are the fundamental units of logically concurrent computation



Minimizes context switch overhead

# Asynchronous Processing Approaches

Greenlets, Micro-threads, gevent, stackless python

Emulates conventional multi-thread/process model, join calculus, sleepy, continuous logic flow,

Event Loop Callbacks, Twisted, Node.js

Medusa/Reactor pattern, callback hell, discontinuous logic flow

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Thread pool like scheduler, discontinuous logic flow

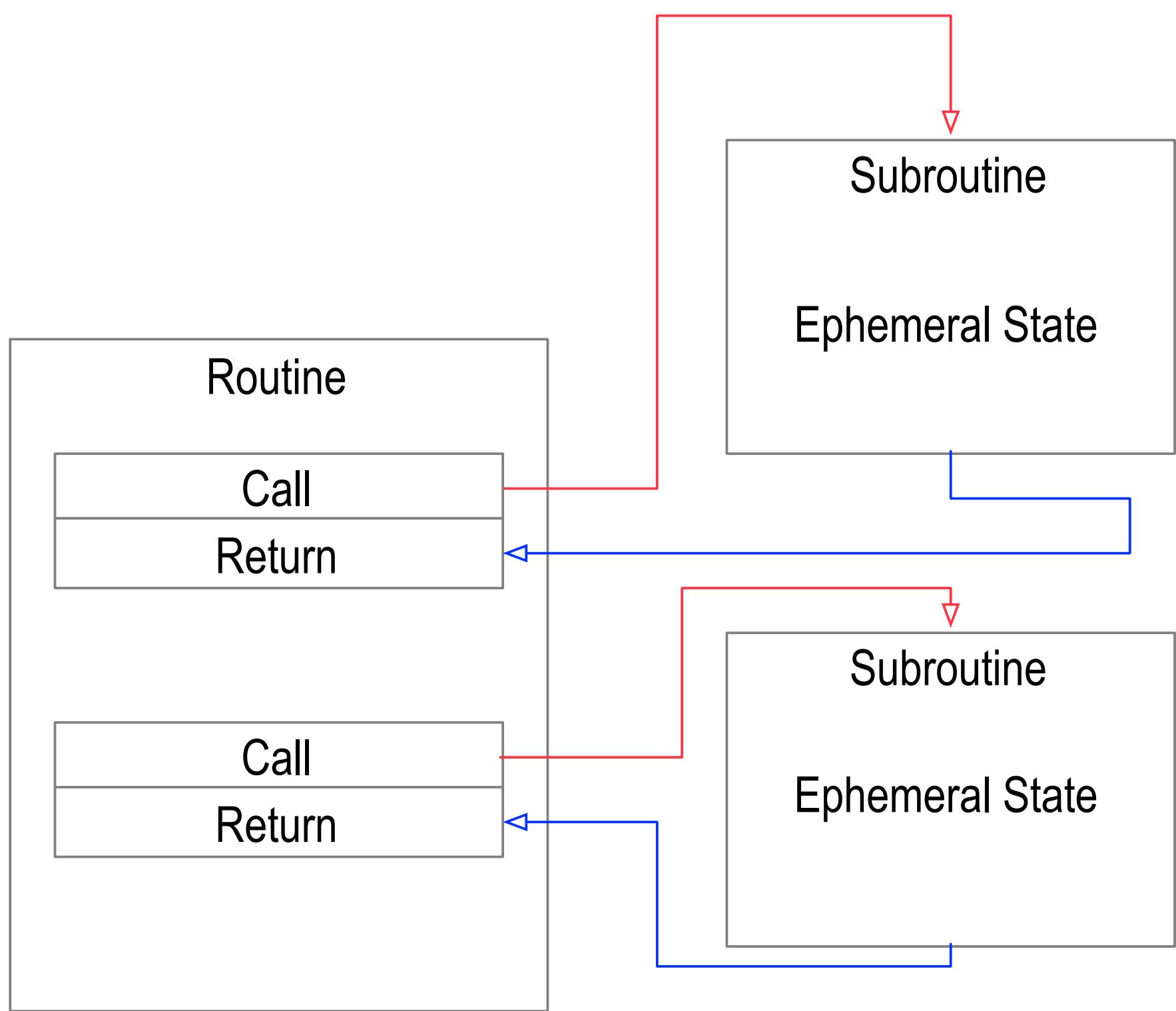
Yielded Delegated, generators/coroutines, Python 3.5 asyncio coroutines

Yielding scheduler, delegating coroutines, yieldy, continuous logic flow

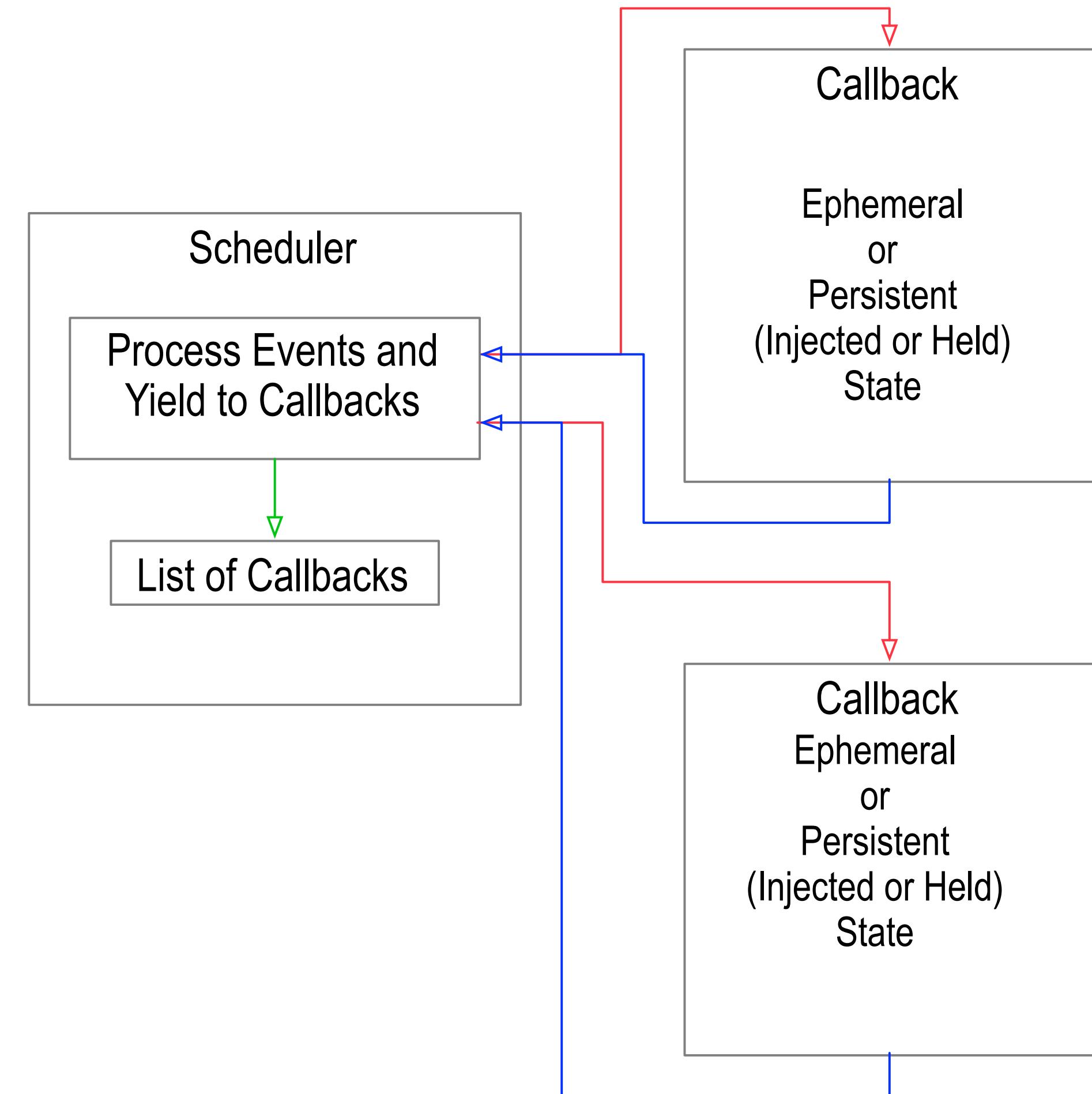
Nested hybrid coroutines, Ioflo

Nested contextual yielding/delegating schedulers, continuous logic flow

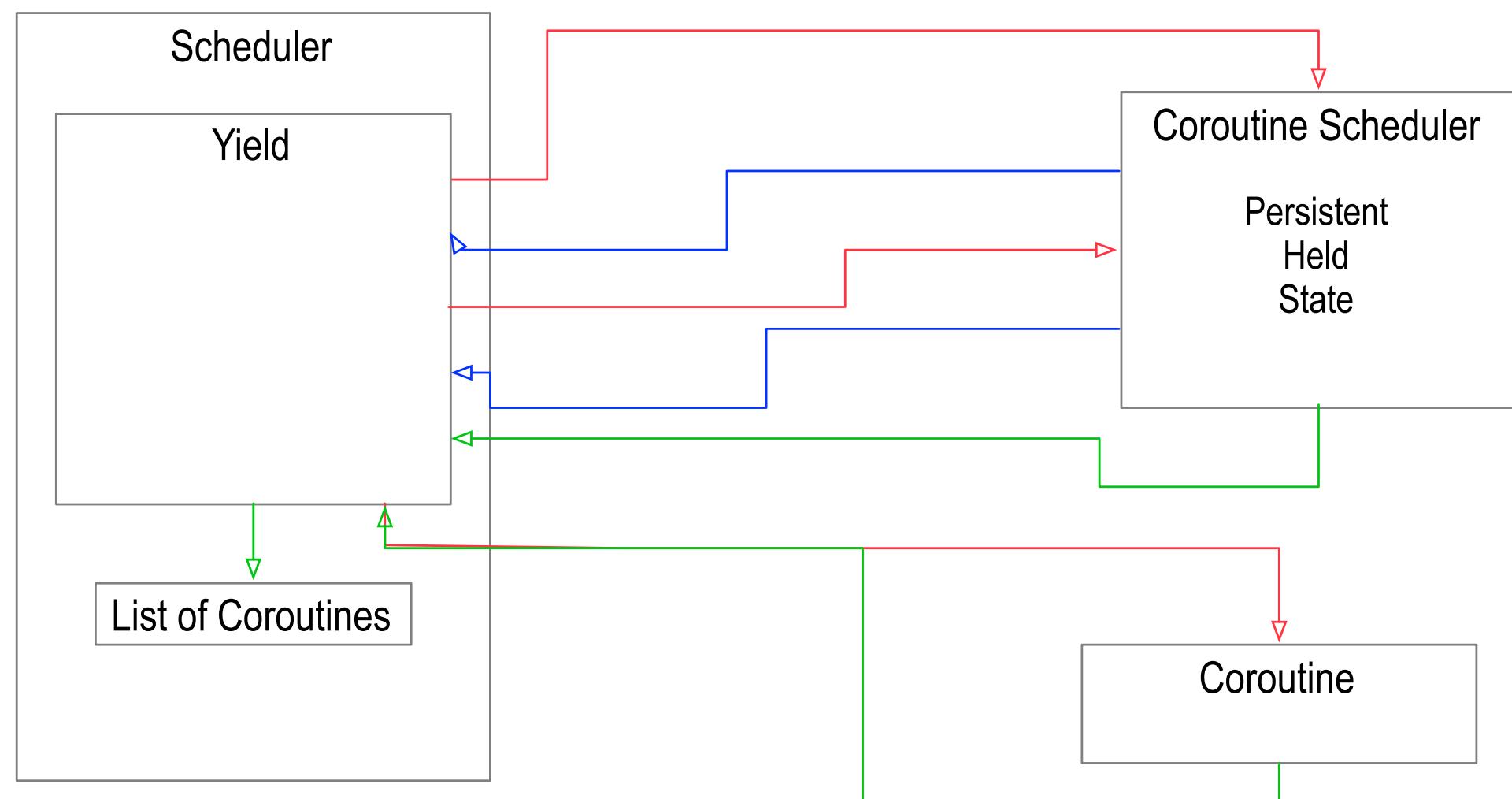
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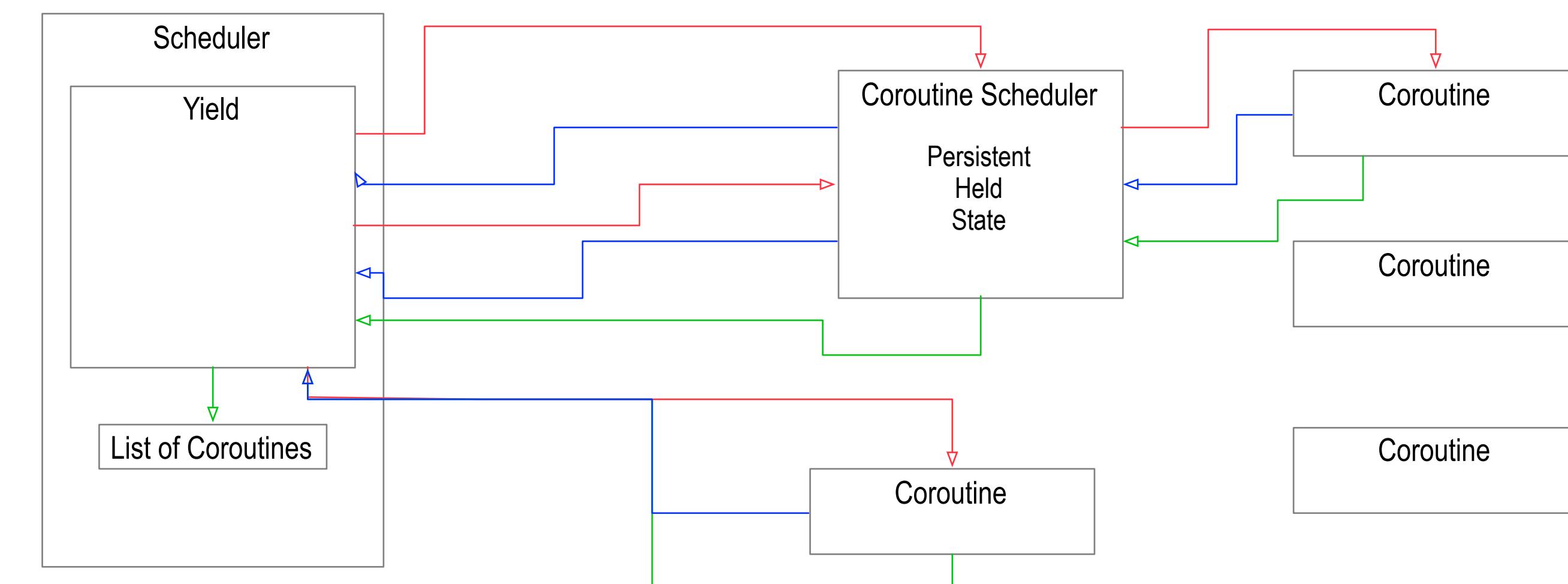
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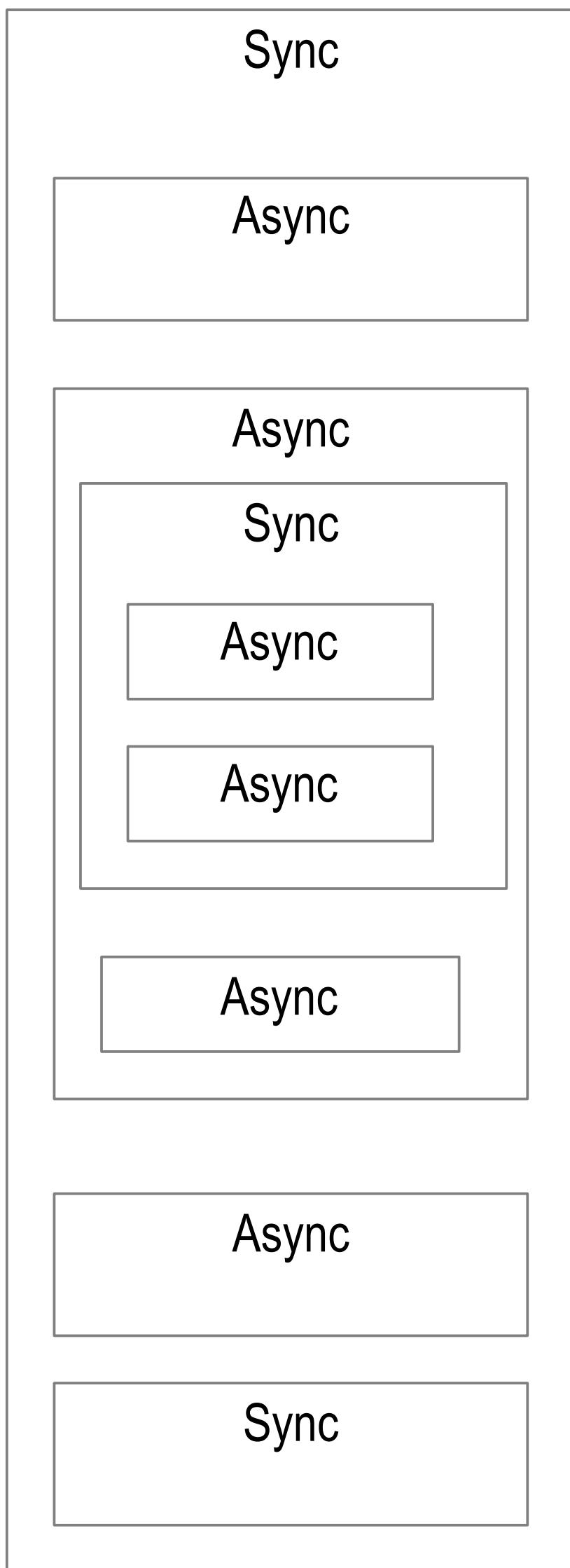
# Coroutine



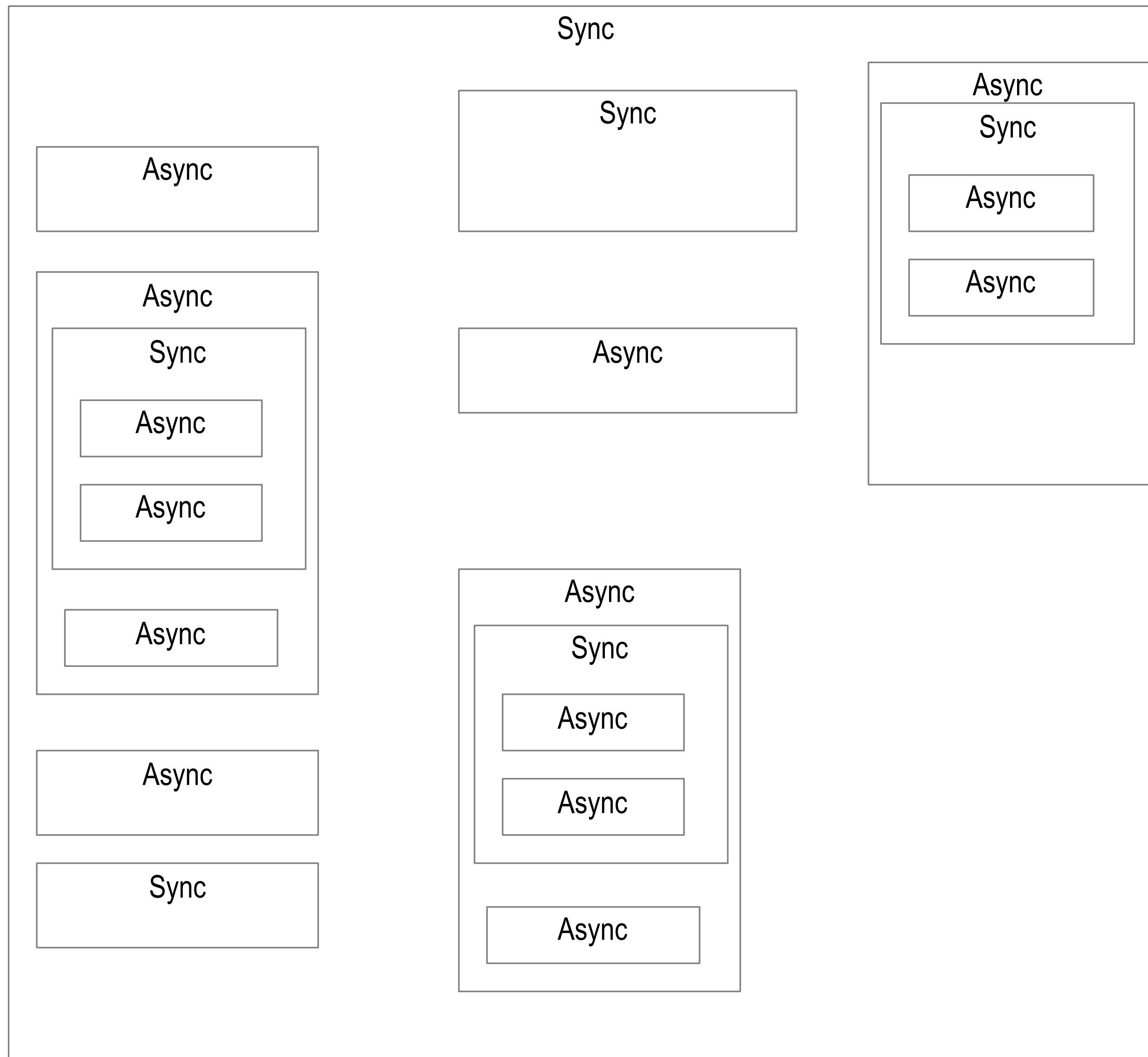
# Hierarchical Coroutine



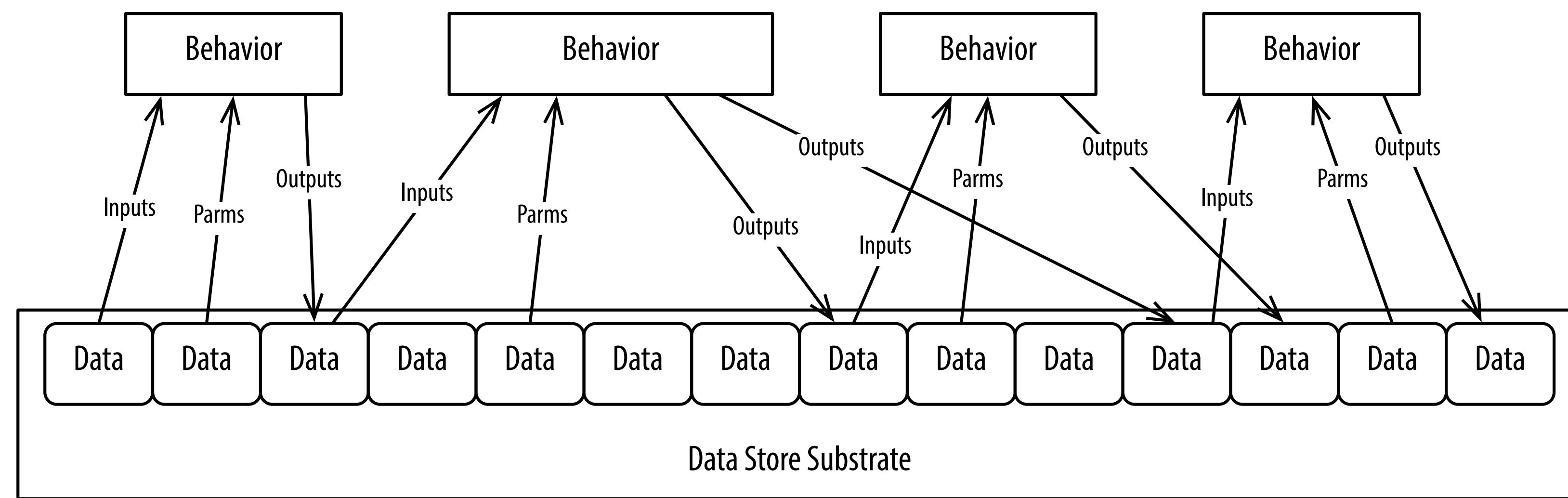
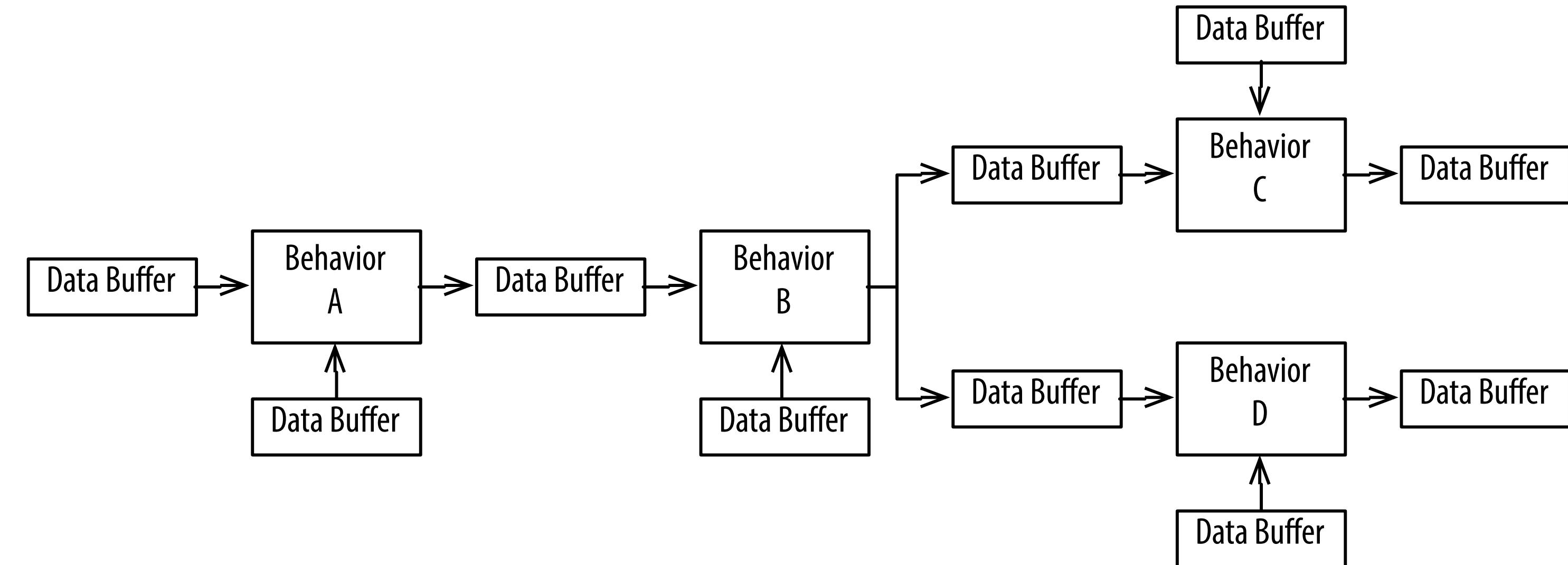
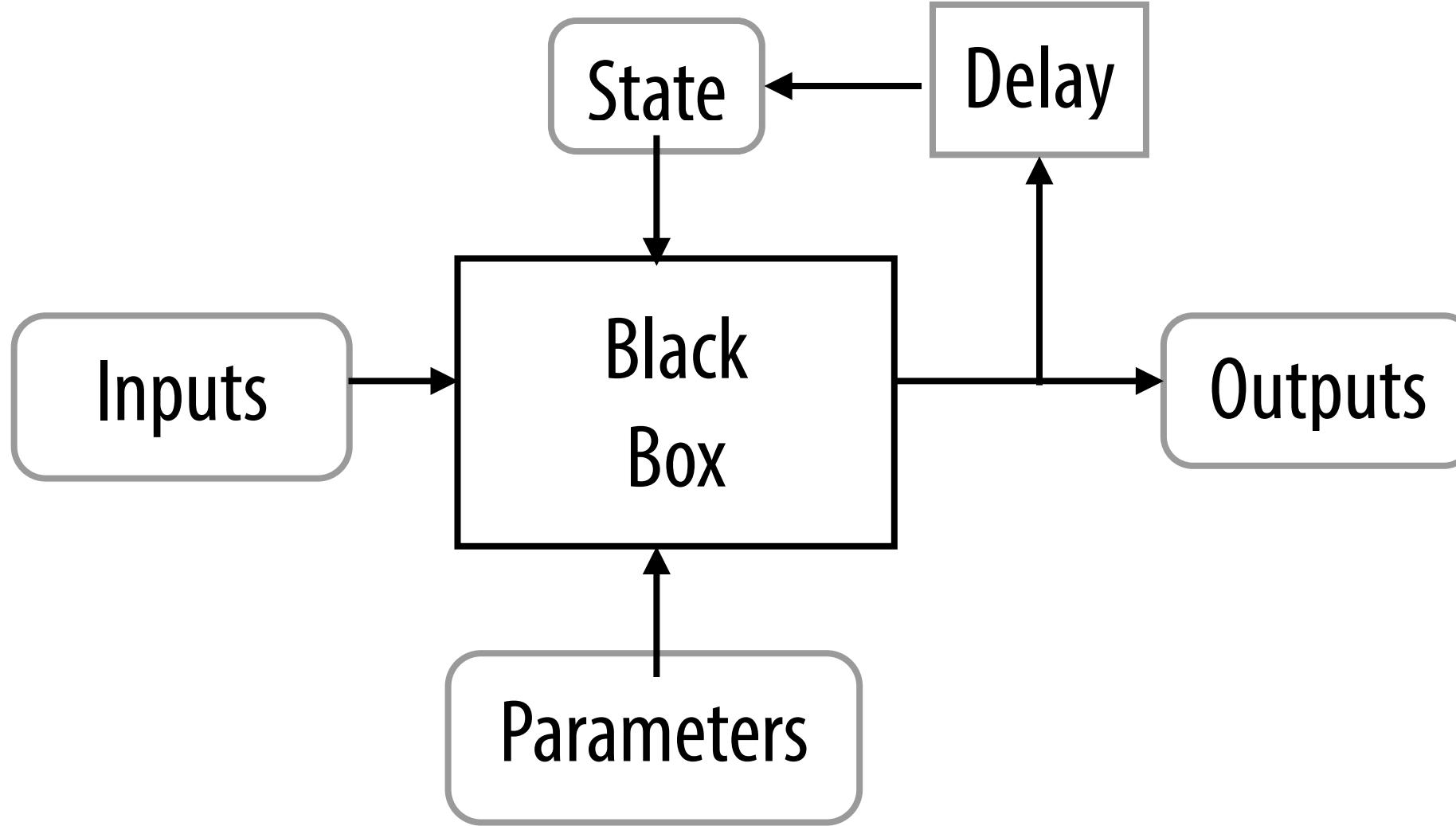
# Hierarchical Heterarchical



# Complex Hierarchical Heterarchical

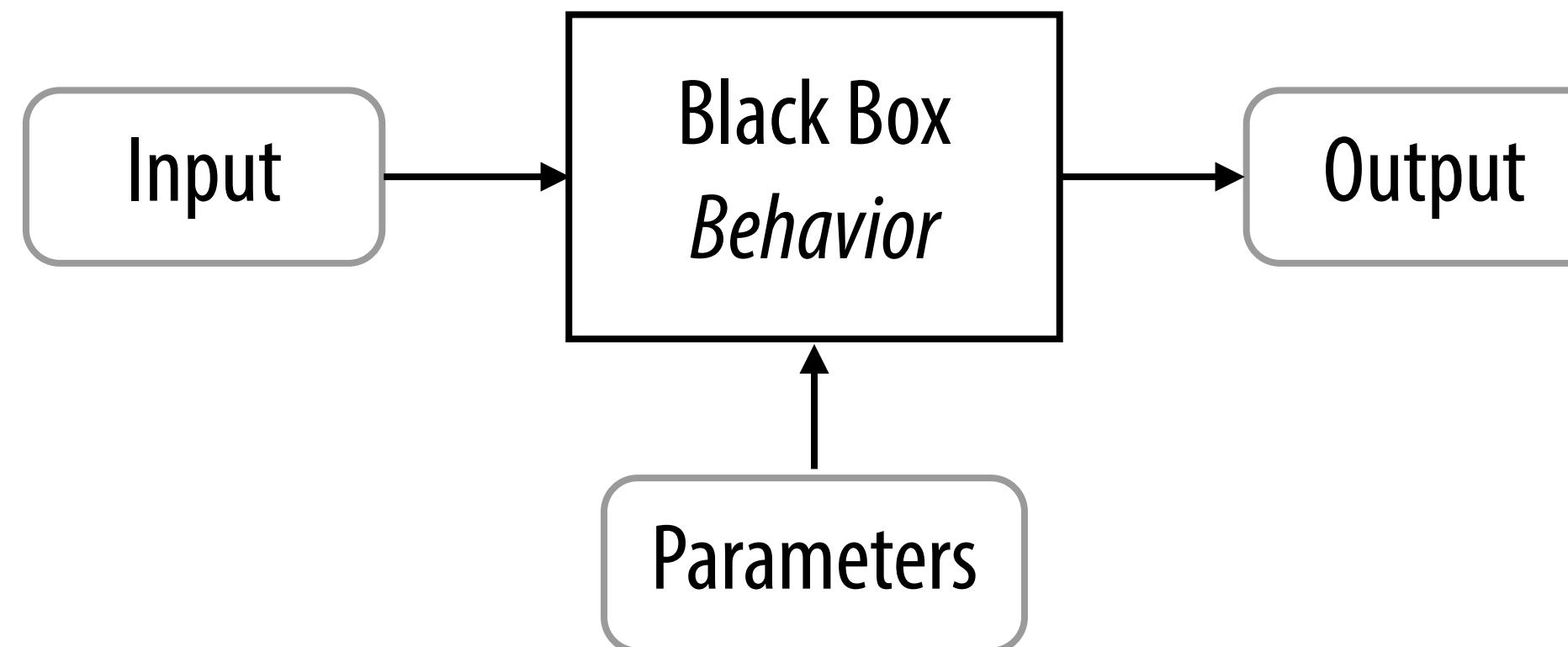


# FLOW BASED PROGRAMMING



# What is Flow-Based Programming (FBP)

A behavior transforms its input(s) into its output(s)

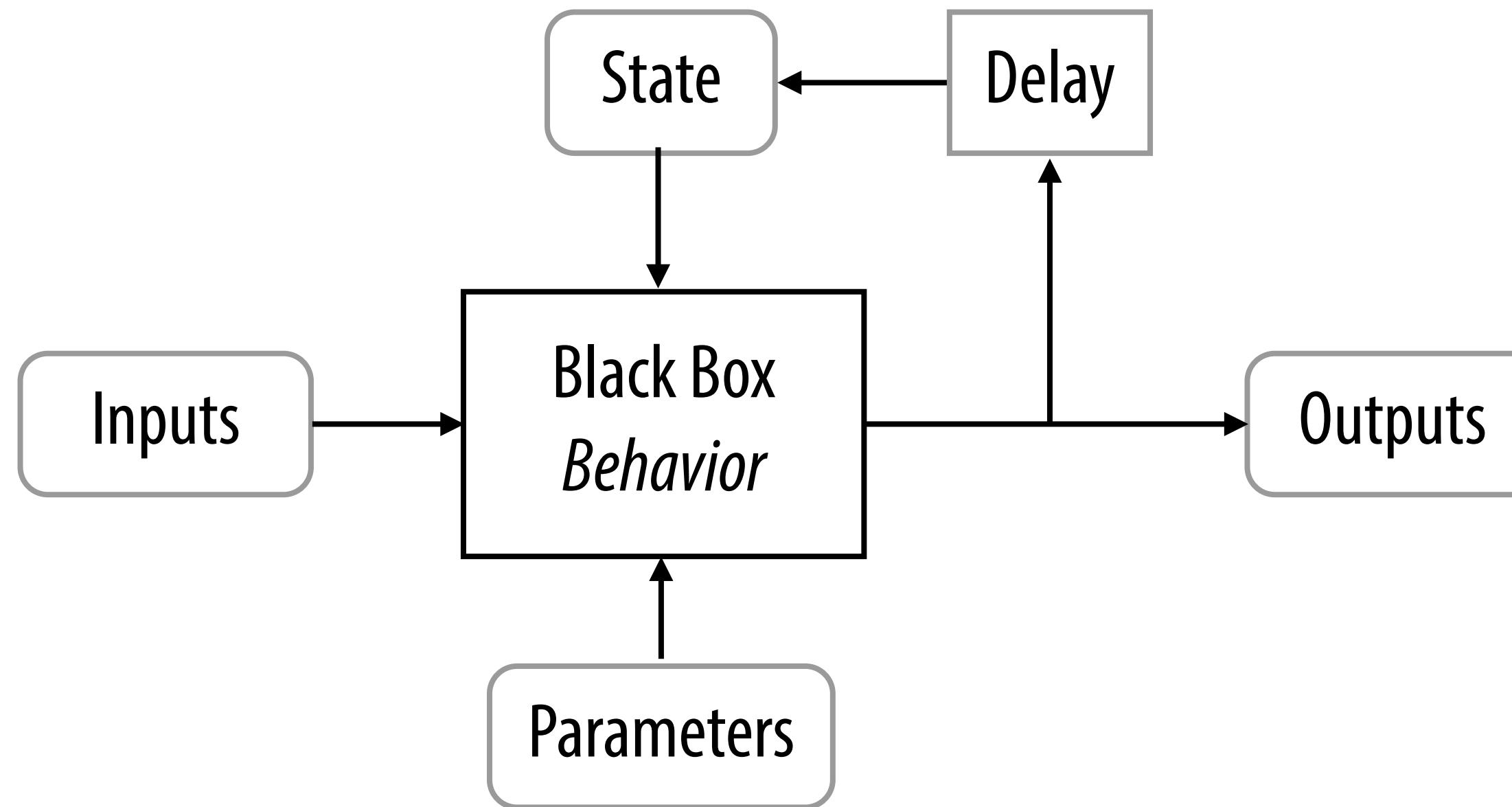


Inputs may also be parameters that modify the transformation

A behavior transforms its inputs governed by its parameters into its outputs

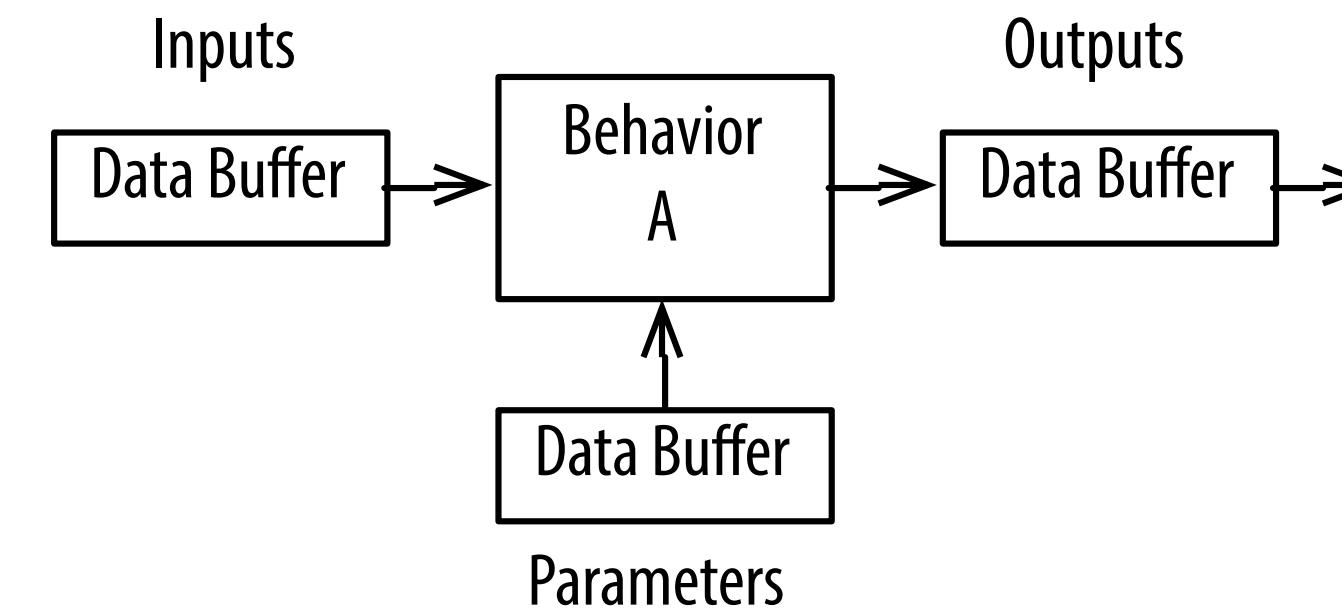
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Outputs may be fed back as state to modify the transformation

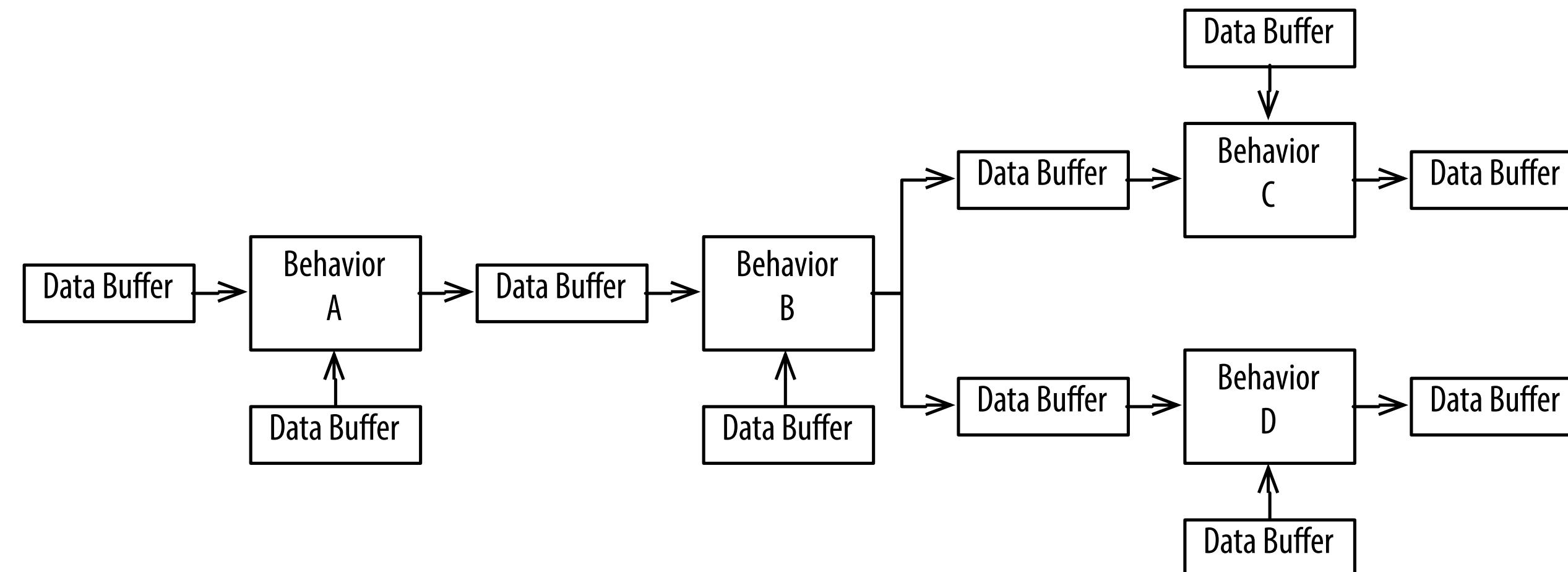


A behavior transforms its inputs and past outputs as governed by its parameters into its outputs

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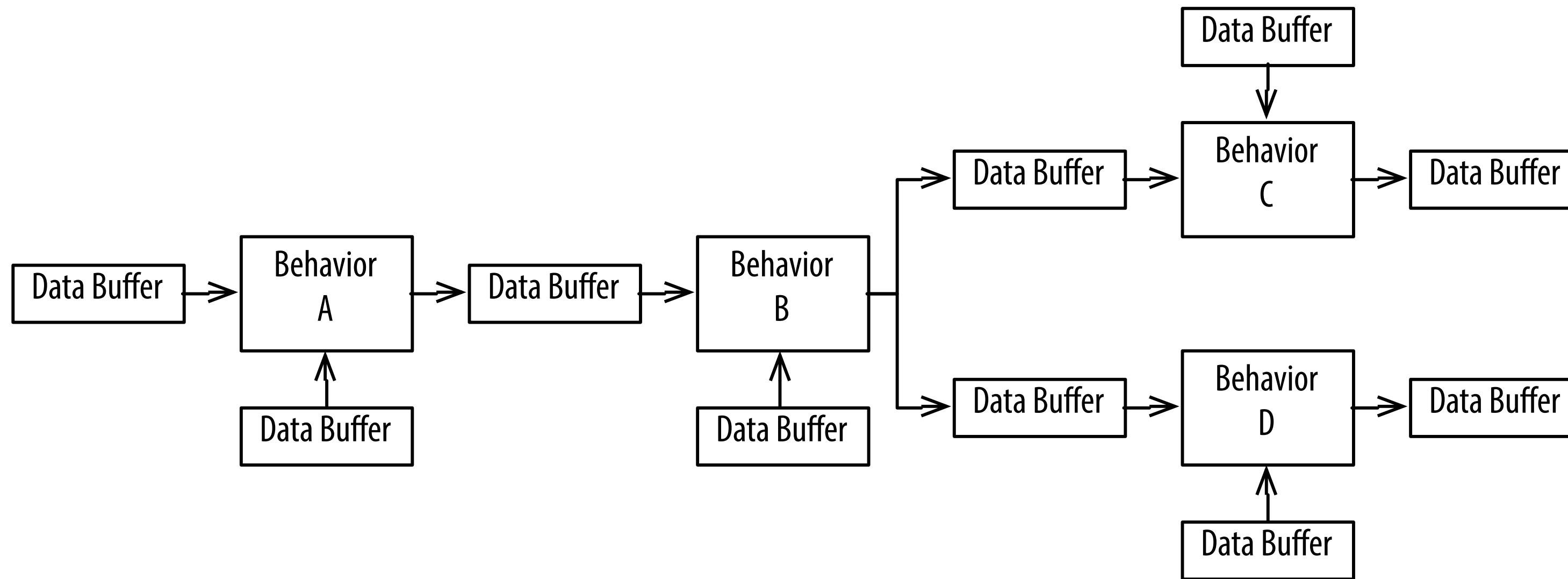


Behaviors can be reconnected endlessly in different networks without any internal changes



FBP applications (programs) are networks of asynchronous behaviors  
which exchange data across externally defined connections

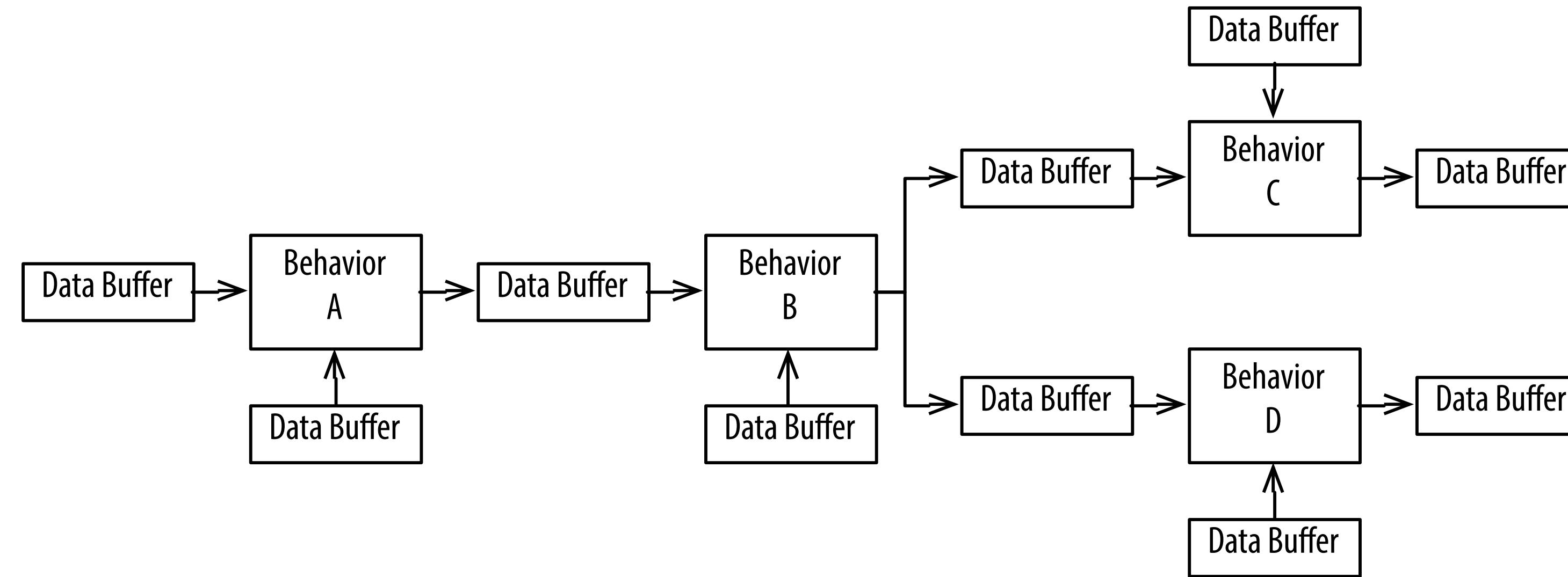
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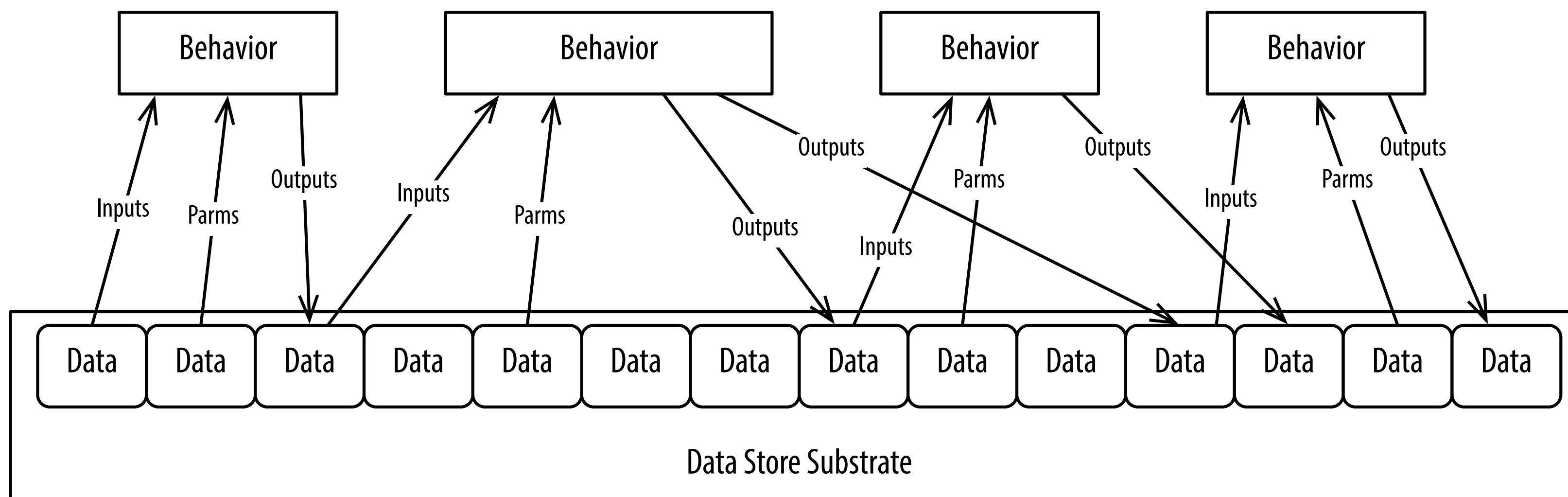
- Programming is the declarative composition of networks of behaviors
- FBP = Data Flow Oriented + Component Oriented
- FBP = FP-ish + OOP-ish

# FBP Variant with DataStore Substrate

From this

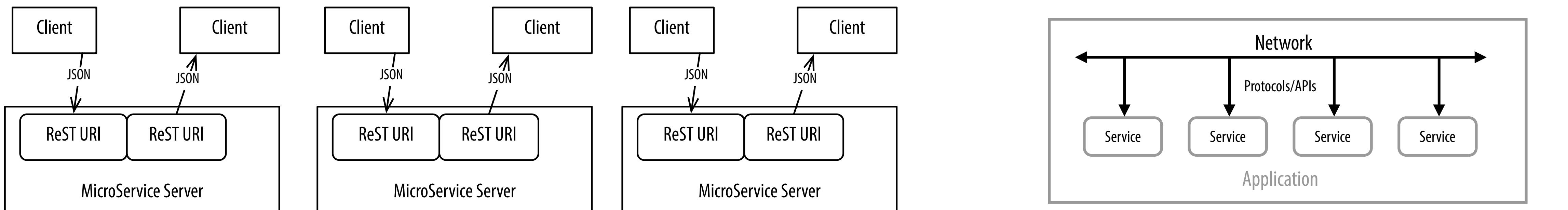
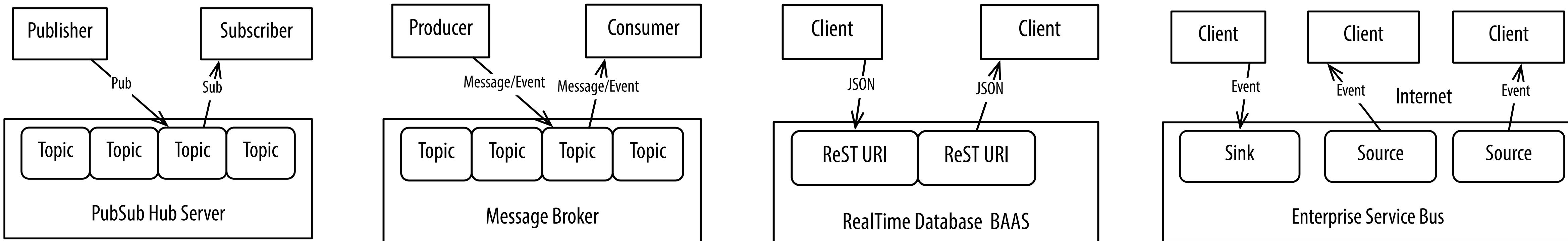
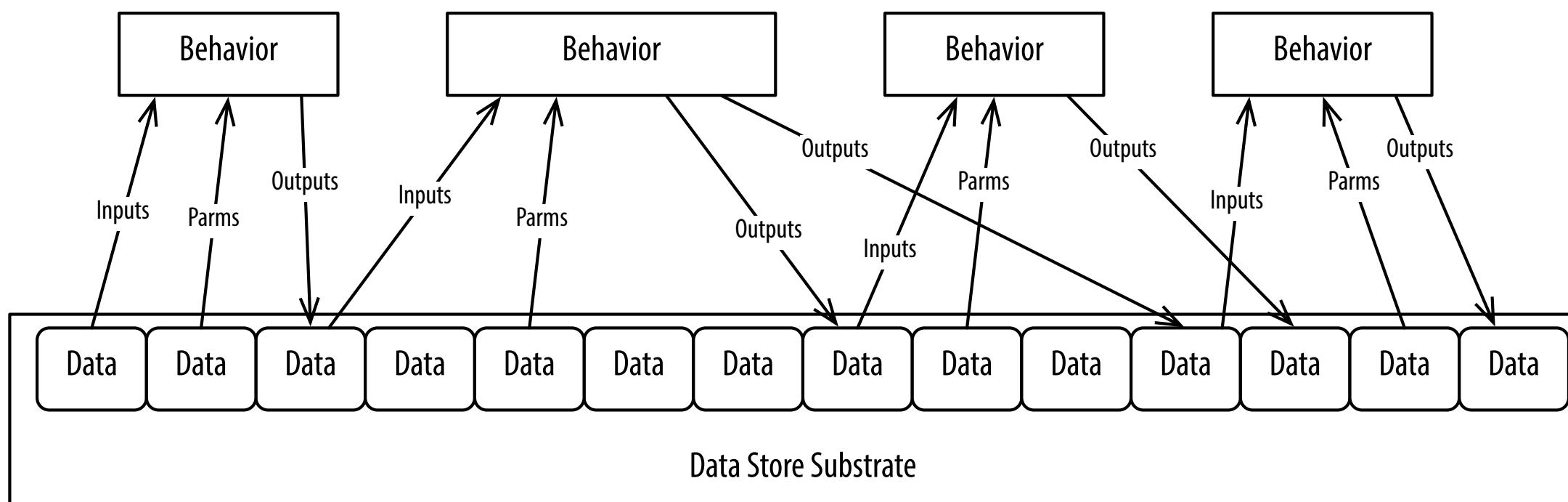


To this



- Adds configurability, observability, traceability, replayability

# Meta Architecture Patterns



# Dependency Inversion Principle

Dependency Inversion Principle, Martin 1996

Bad Software Design: Software that fulfills its requirements but exhibits any or all of:

**Rigidity**: Hard to change because each change affects other parts of the system.

**Fragility**: Making a change causes other parts of the system to break.

**Immobility**: Hard to disentangle in order to reuse in another application.

DIP:

HIGH LEVEL MODULES SHOULD NOT **DEPEND** UPON LOW LEVEL MODULES.

BOTH SHOULD **DEPEND** UPON ABSTRACTIONS.

ABSTRACTIONS SHOULD NOT **DEPEND** UPON DETAILS.

DETAILS SHOULD **DEPEND** UPON ABSTRACTIONS.

Its all about dependency management, duh !!!

# Dependency Inversion Principle Transcendence

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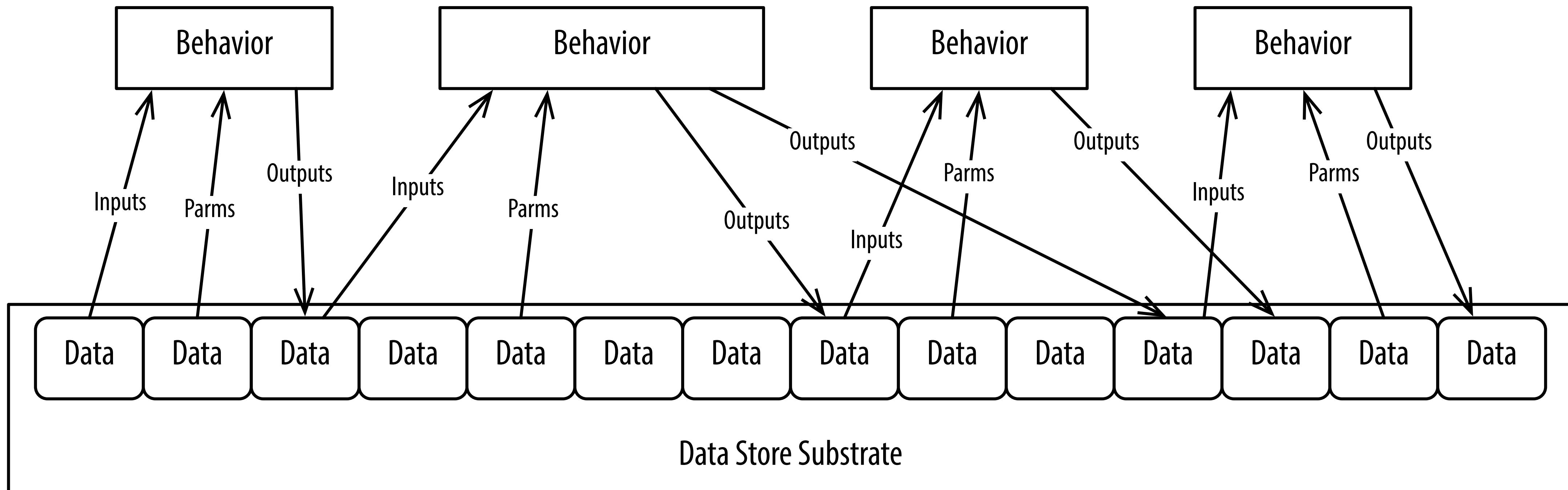
Flow-Based Programming transcends the DIP thusly:

THERE ARE NO MODULES, JUST COMPONENTS

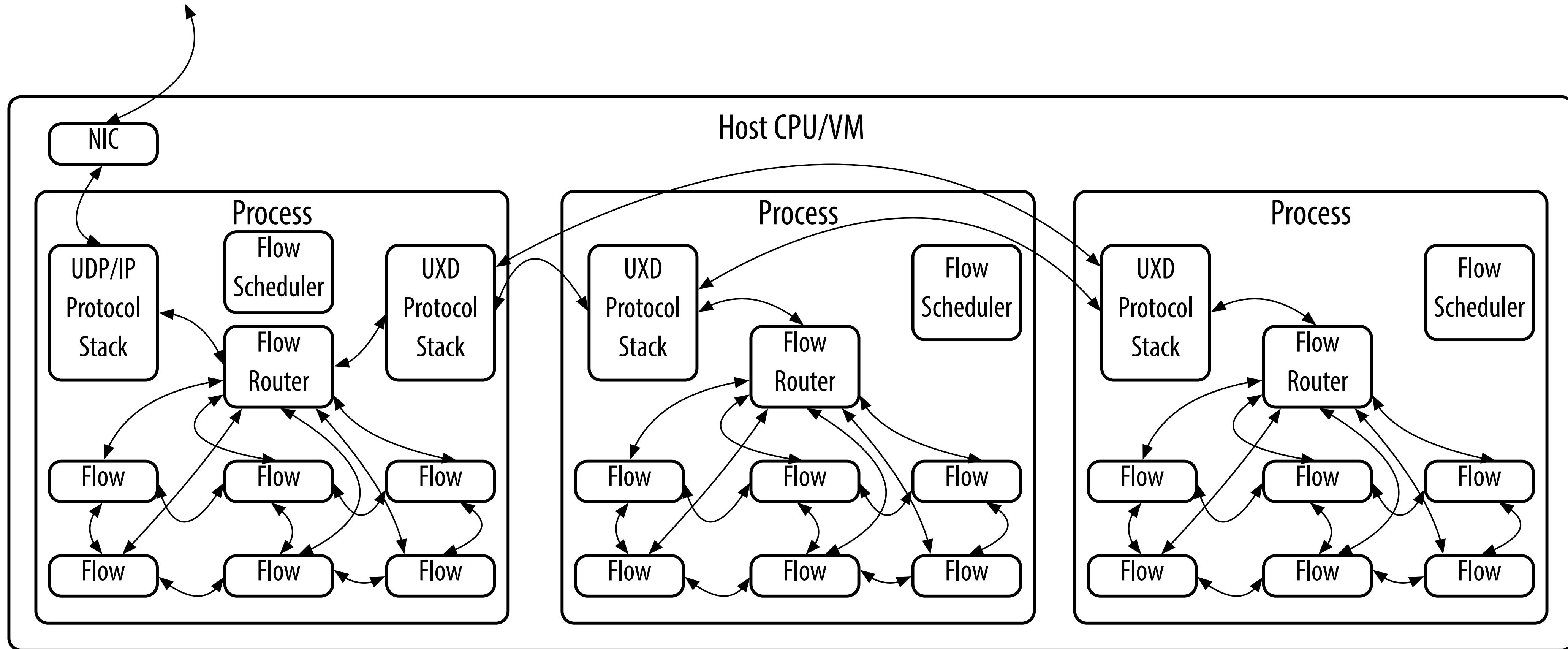
THERE ARE NO ABSTRACTIONS OR DETAILS JUST DATA

COMPONENTS DEPEND ON DATA, NOT OTHER COMPONENTS

# One Dependency: DATA



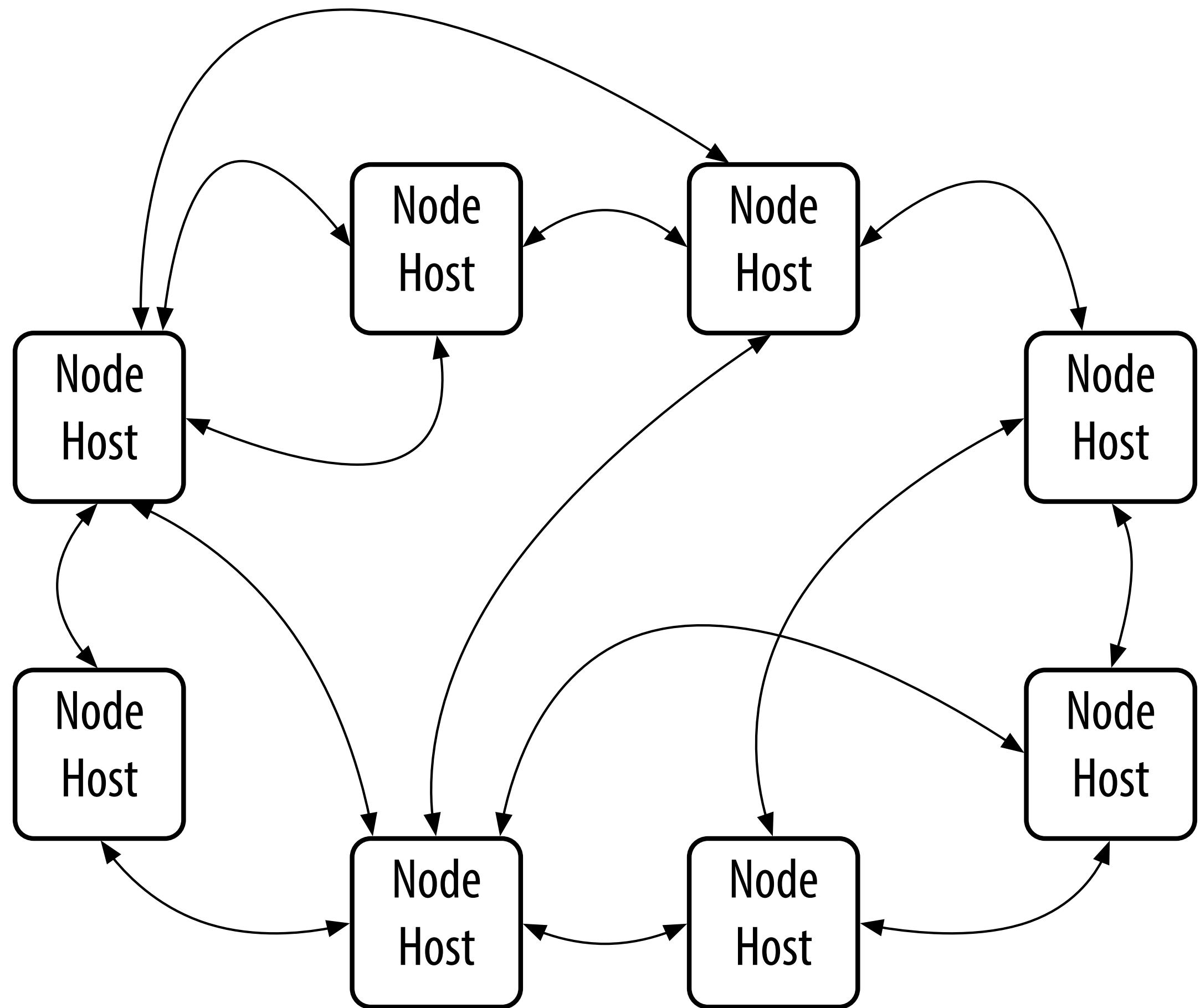
# Data Flow Routing



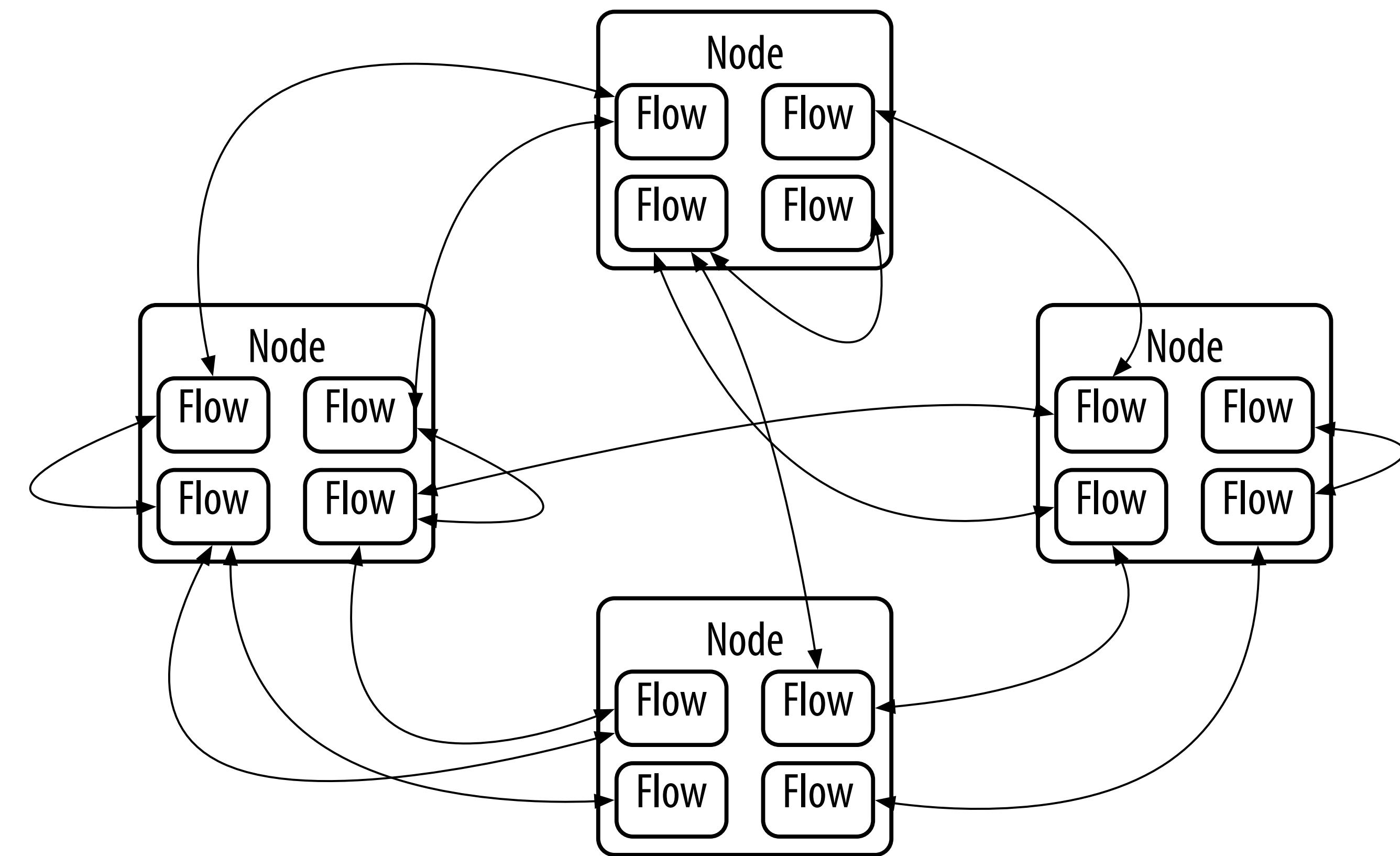
Enables coroutine-to-coroutine communication  
both **intra-process**, **inter-process** and **inter-host**

# Many-to-Many-to-Many

Many-to-many



Many-to-many-to-many



Logically concurrent flows of execution

Concurrent data flows  
Service flows

Performance and Reliability

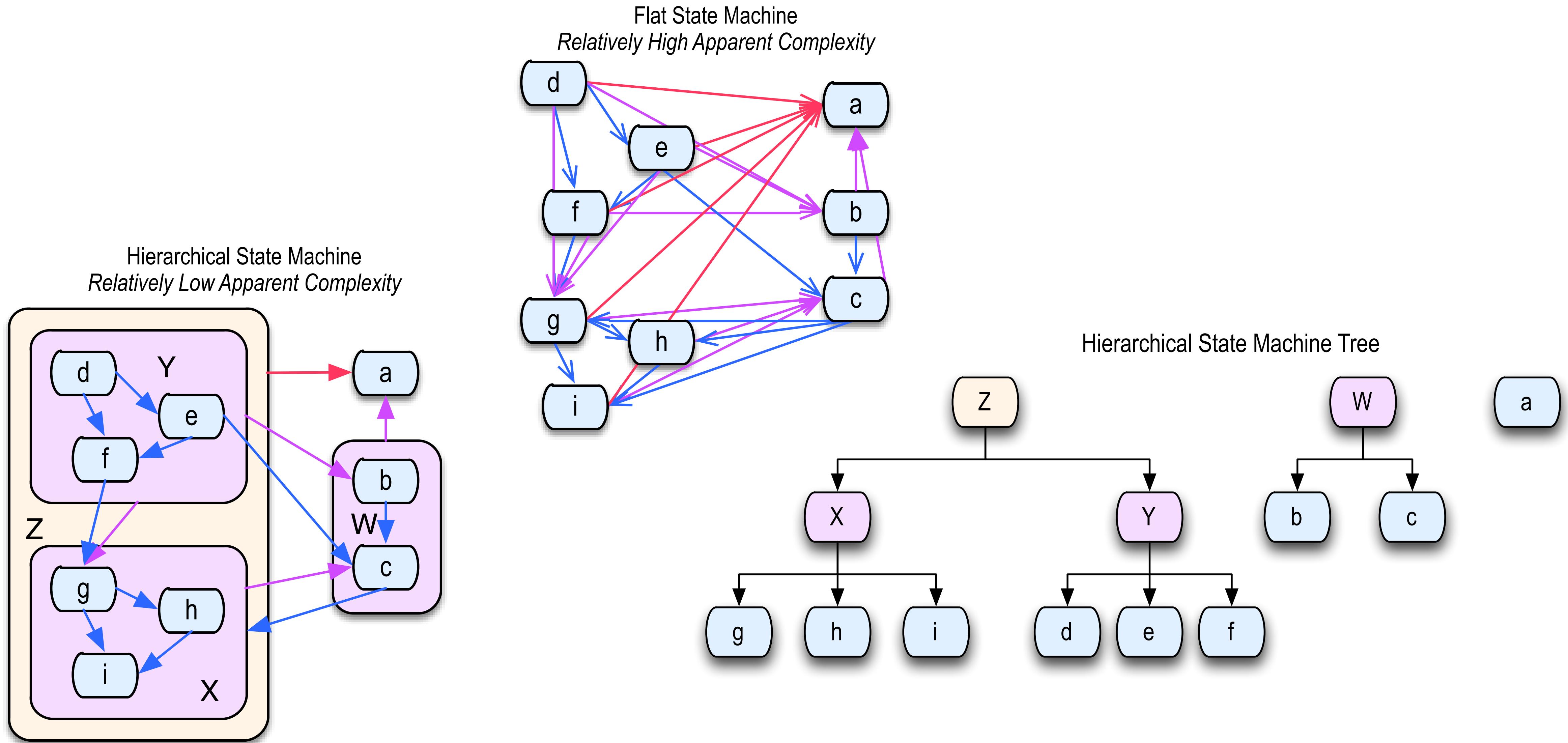
# Encapsulated Routing Data

Tuple: (datashare name, UXD name, UDP name, channel name)

JSON:

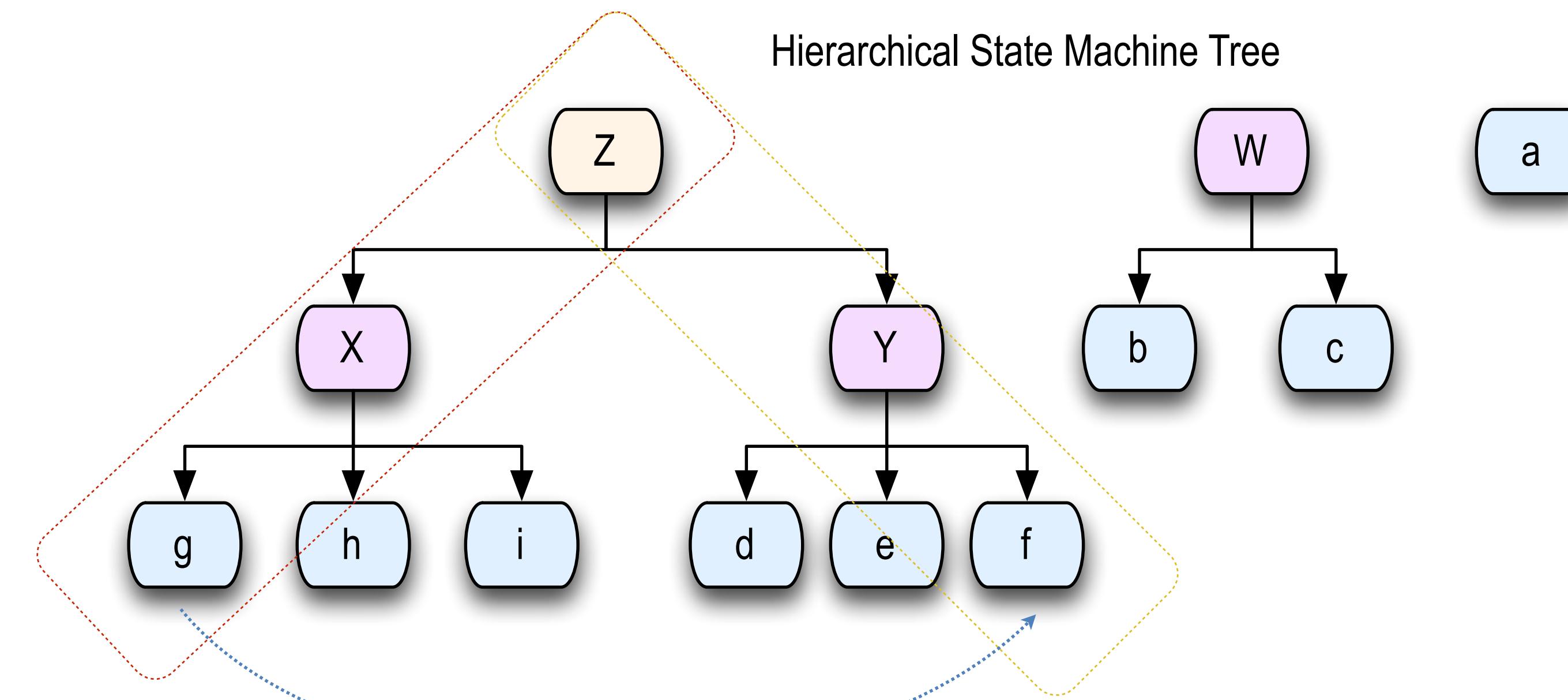
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{  
  "route":  
  {  
    "src": [ "peter.piper.picked", "pepper", "peck", "garden" ],  
    "dst": [ "suzy.sand.sell", "shell", "shore", "sea" ]  
  }  
  "tag": "commerce.hot",  
  "stamp": "20170125T13:45:62.340123UTC",  
  "data":  
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}
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# Hierarchical State



Transition = Change in Framing Context

`go foobar if elapsed >= goal`



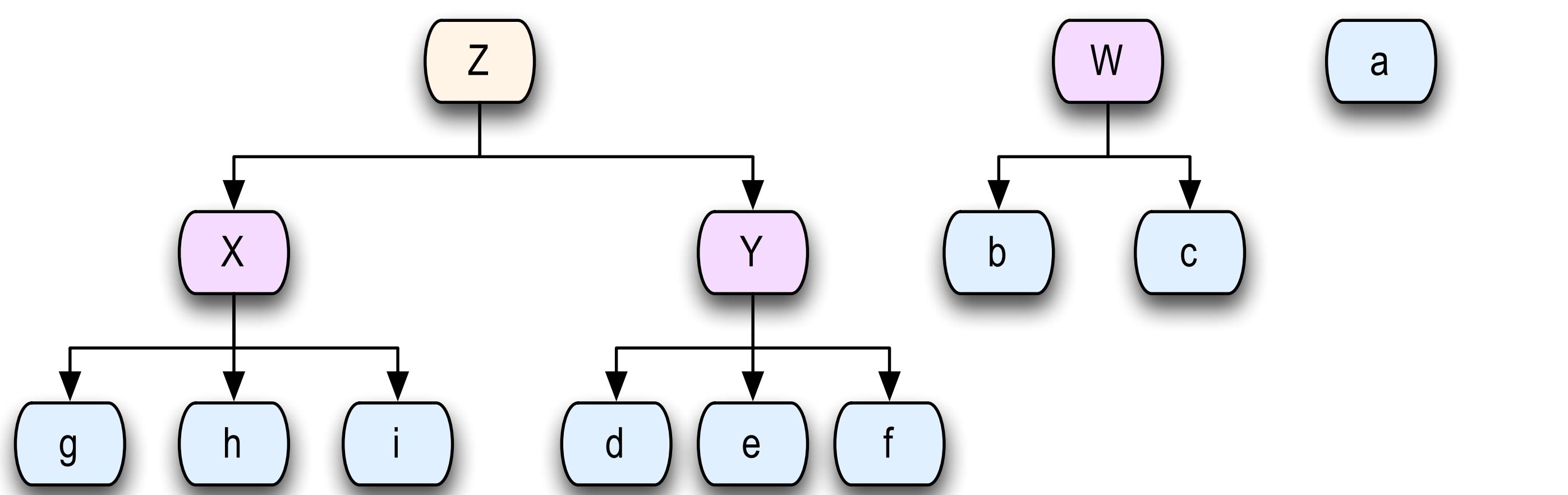
FloScript

# Dichotomous Priorities

FloScript

## Transitions

Change Context, Propriety  
Priority is Top-Down

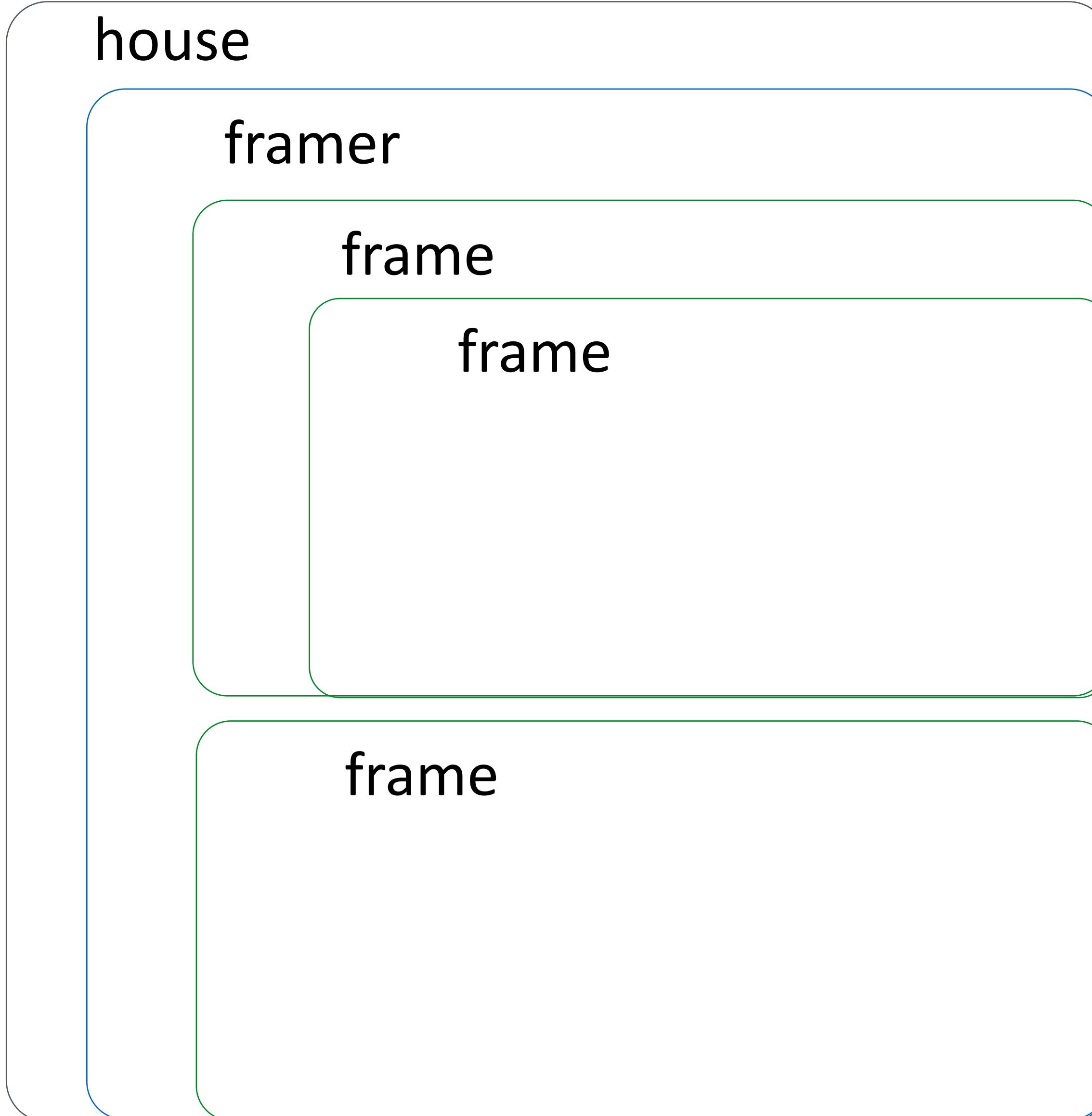


## Actions

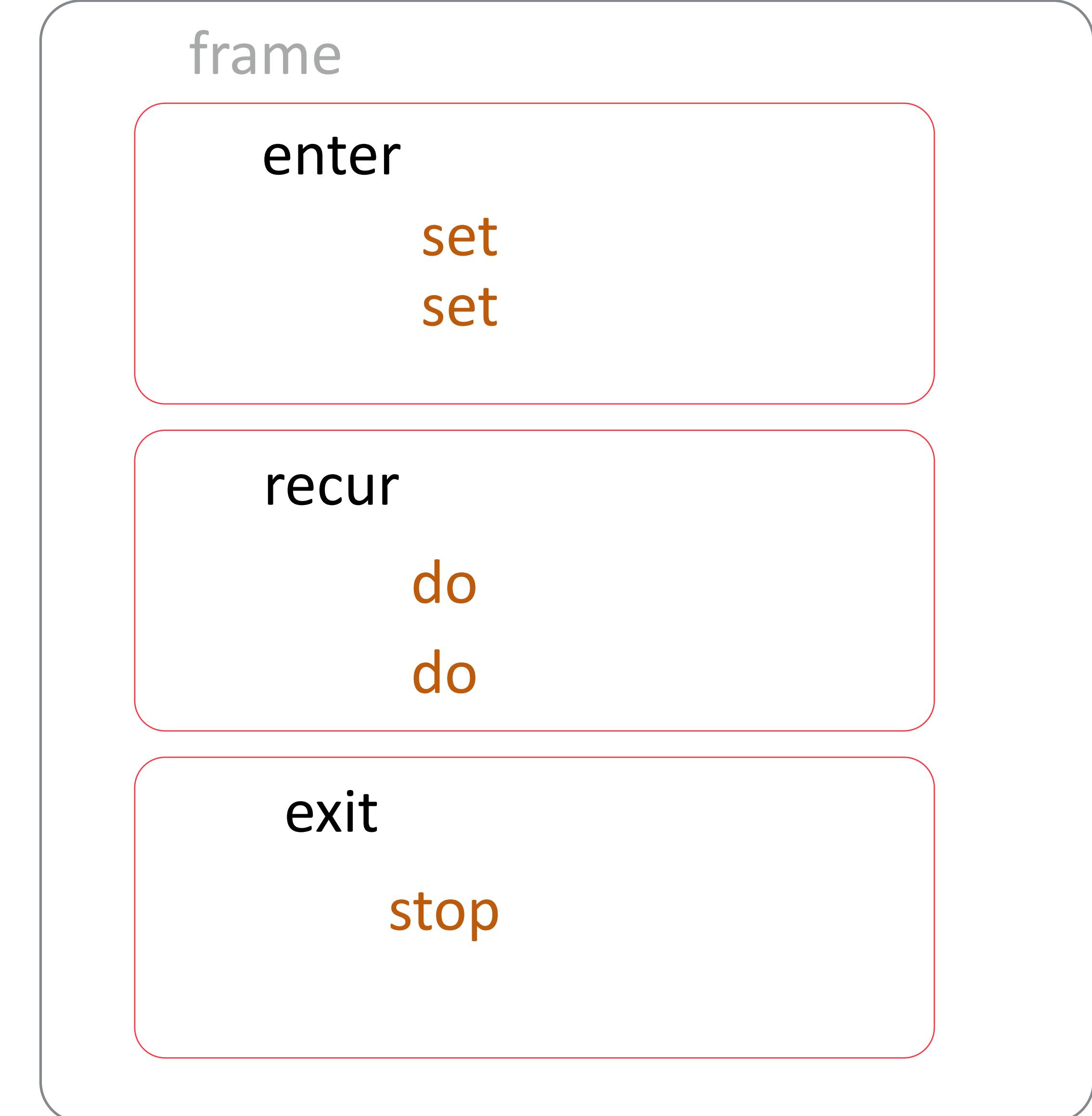
Determine Contextual Behavior, Specificity  
Priority is Bottom-Up

Contexts:

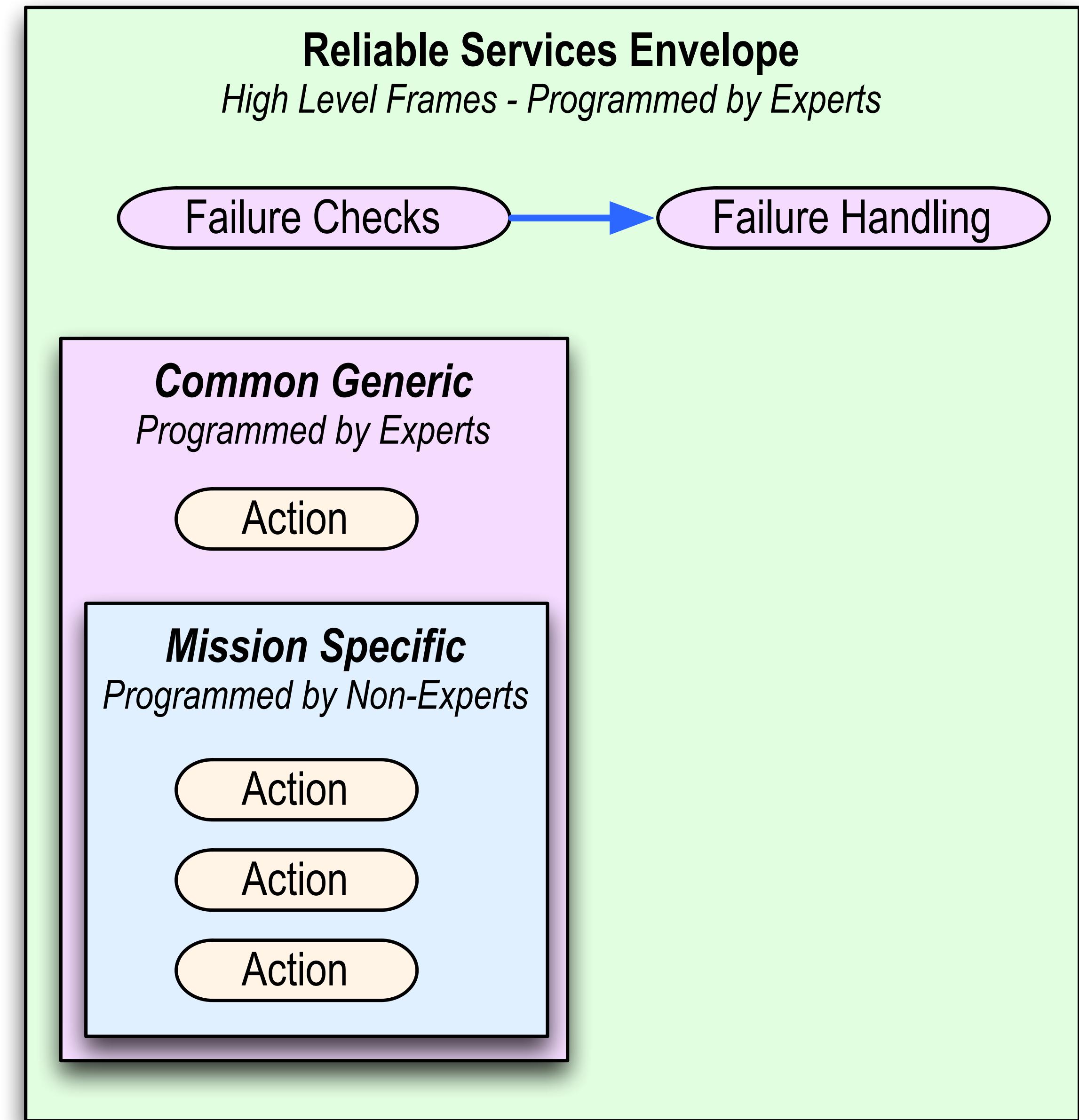
## Frame of Reference “*Framing*”



## Action Execution “*Actioning*”



# Reliability



# Universal Convenient Formalism for Program Synthesis

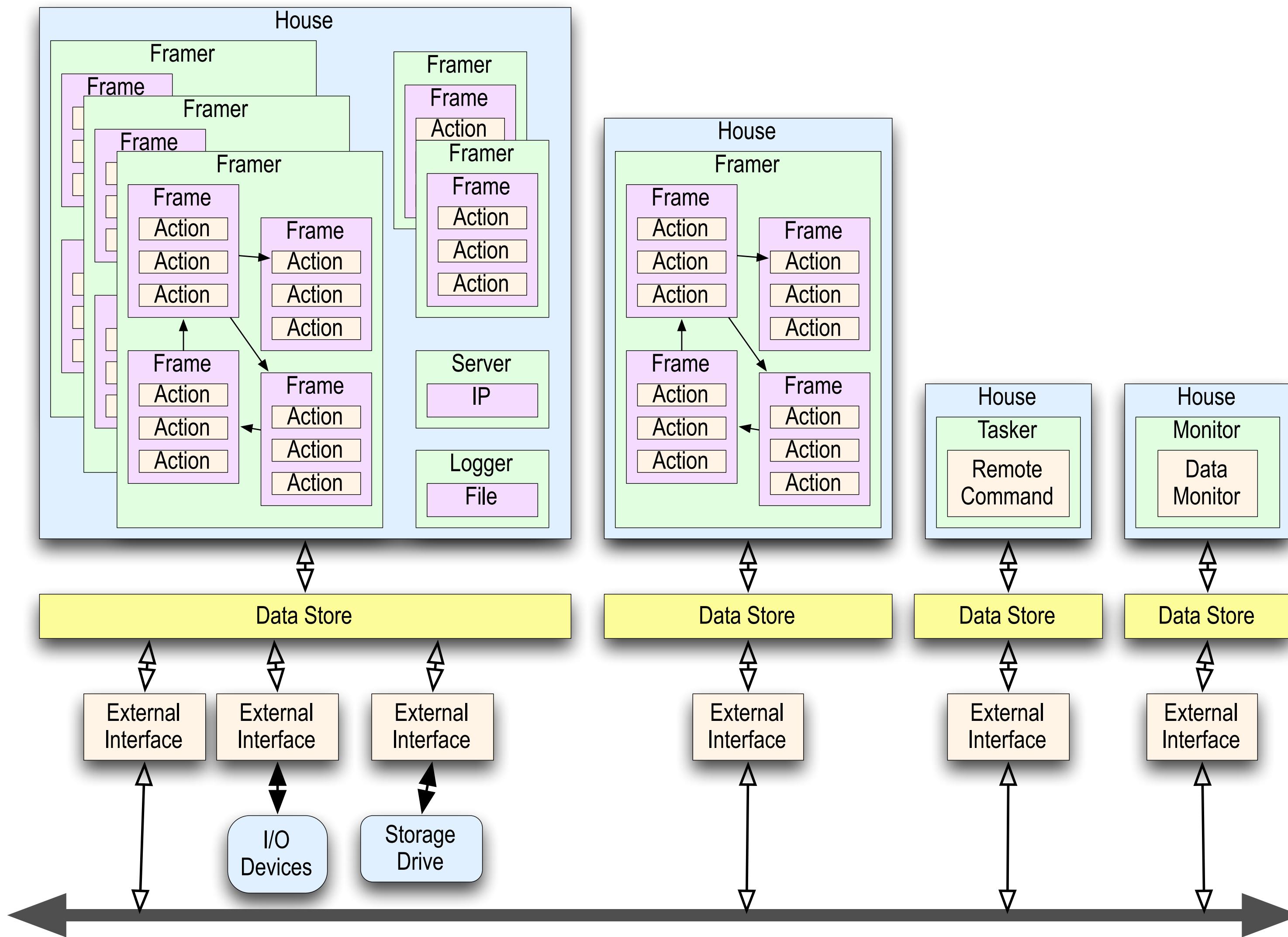
Universal and Convenient = Any meaningful program/algorithm can be practically represented, implemented and executed.

The formalism is Floscript which configures the automated reasoning engine.

Floscript conveniently encodes everything needed to implement a decision trajectory generator with real-time UML-State Chart like expressive power:

Floscript includes, configuration, marshaling, concurrency, resources, hierarchical state transition, life cycle, staging contexts, communications, and persistence.

# Big Picture



# FloScript

*Framer*

*Pre Enter*

for each Frame (top down)  
*Before Enter Actions*

*Transitions (except first time)*

for each Frame (top down)  
*Eval Transitions*

*Enter*

*Implicit Actions (framer)*

for each Frame (top down)  
*Entry Actions*

*Recur*

*Implicit Actions (framer)*

for each Frame (top down)  
*Recur Actions*

*Exit*

for each Frame (bottom up)  
*Exit Actions*

*Implicit Actions (framer)*

*Frame*

*Benter Actions*

*Explicit*

*Implicit (Aux Framers)*

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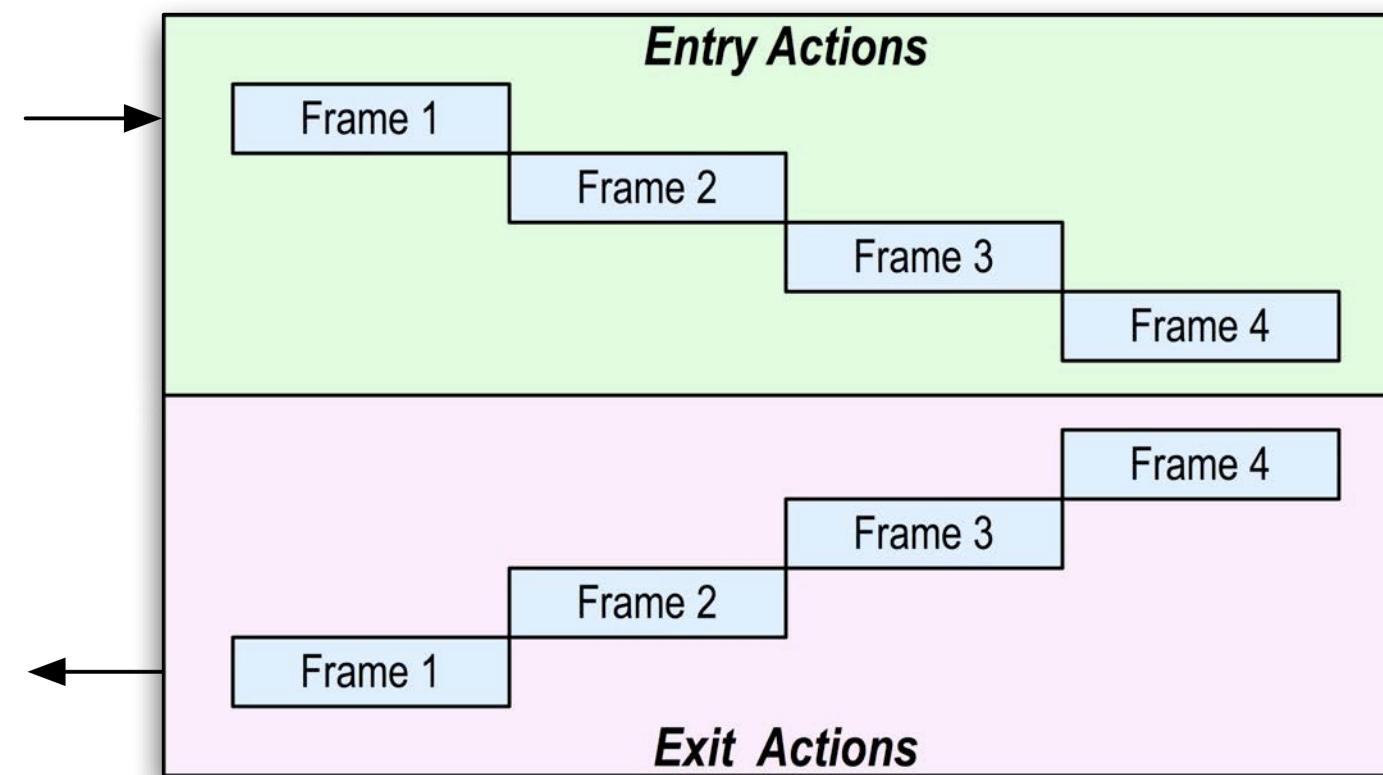
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# Autonomic Computing

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Self-Configuring

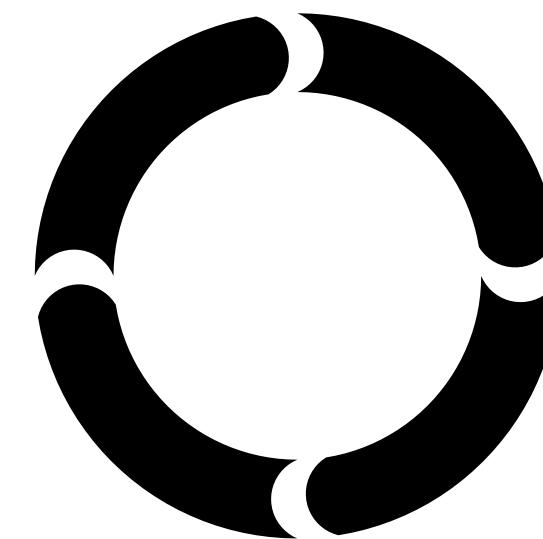
Self-Healing

Self-Optimizing

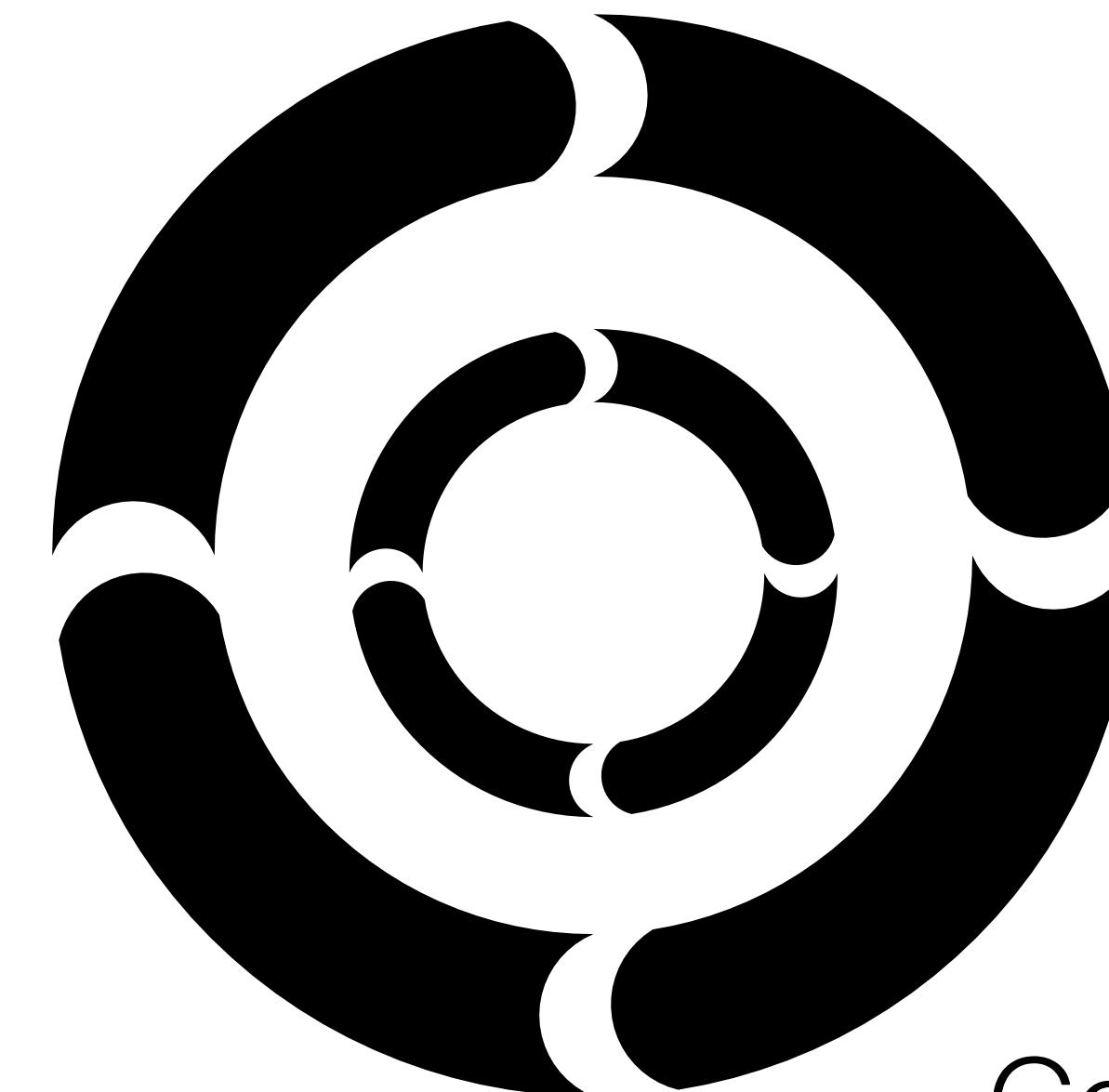
Self-Securing

Real persistently automated systems can have complex feedback loop topologies

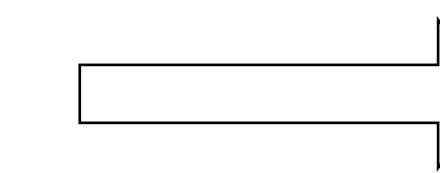
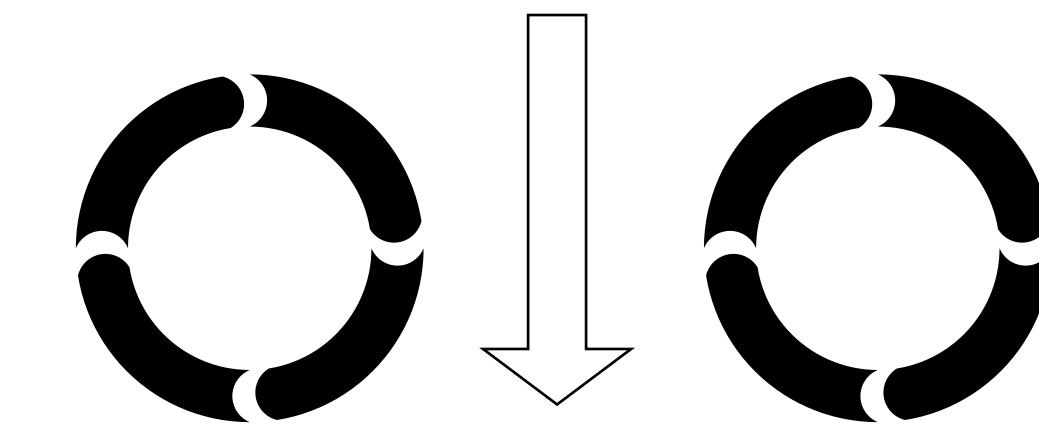
Sequenced loops



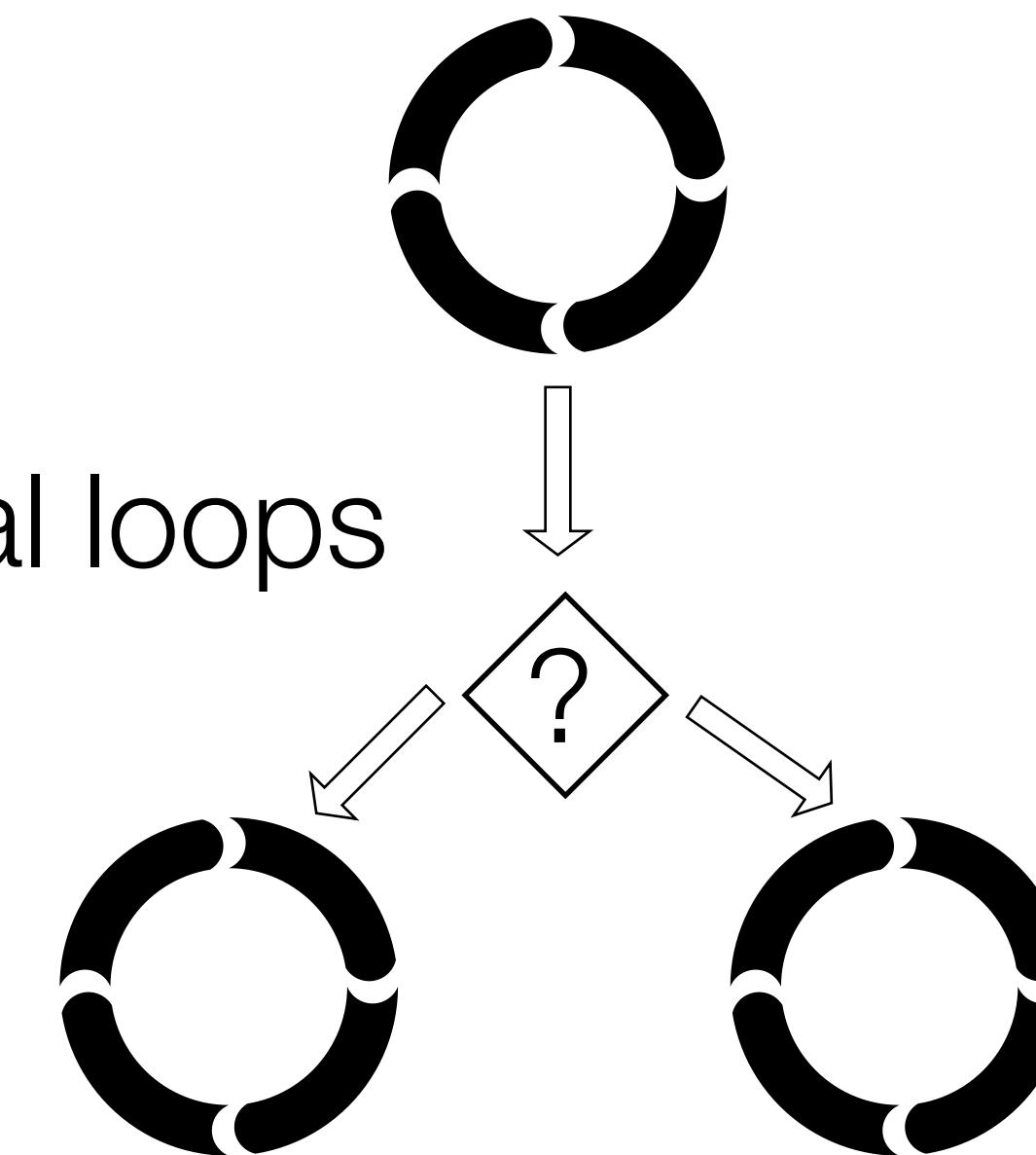
Loops within loops



Concurrent loops



Conditional loops



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# Flow-Based Programming (FBP)

- Originated in 1970's by J.P. Morrison, contemporary with OOP & FP
- Relatively unknown but a lot of interest recently
- Think general-purpose data-flow programming
- Use it via a programming style, pattern, paradigm, or framework, not a language
- FBP is a simplifying unifying paradigm
- Distributed concurrent applications benefit most from FBP
- An FBP architecture may still be really useful even when not using an FBP Framework
- An FBP mindset may provide unique solution insights even when using OOP or FP

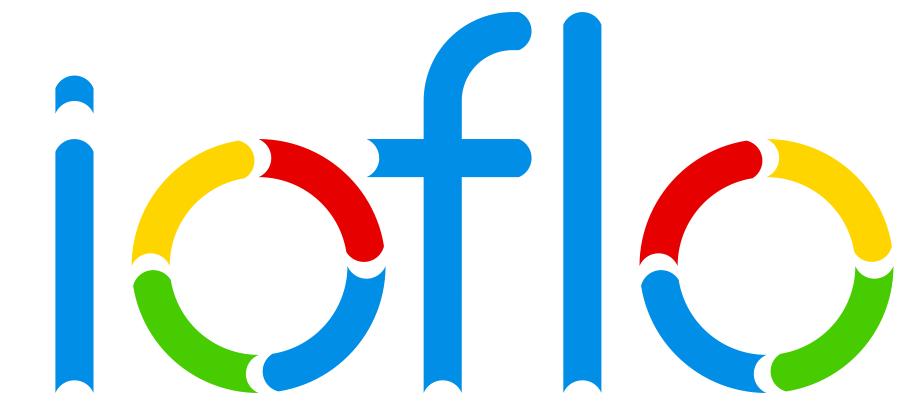
# Flow-Based Programming Frameworks

Javascript



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Python



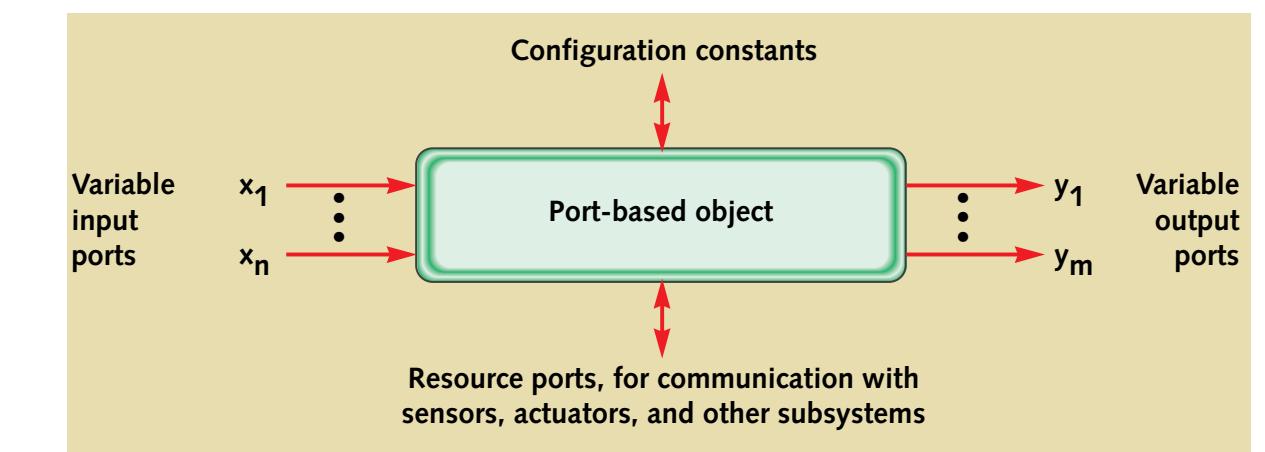
Pypes

PyF

Other

Expecco

PBO



# More or less FBP

Java VM



Apache

STORM



IBM InfoSphere  
Streams

Microsoft Azure  
Event Hubs

Python

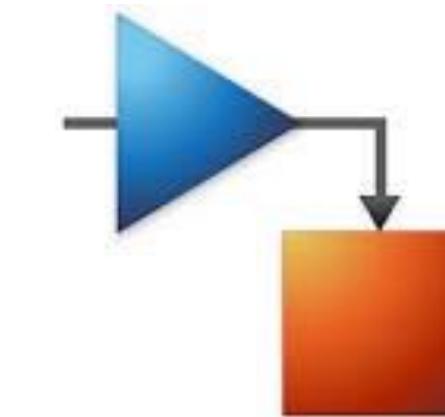


Open Source Robotics Foundation



Other

MatLab  
Simulink



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**LabVIEW**

# Replacement Independence

Behaviors (components) can be externally connected without any internal changes.

Composition of complex networks/graphs is conceptually simple

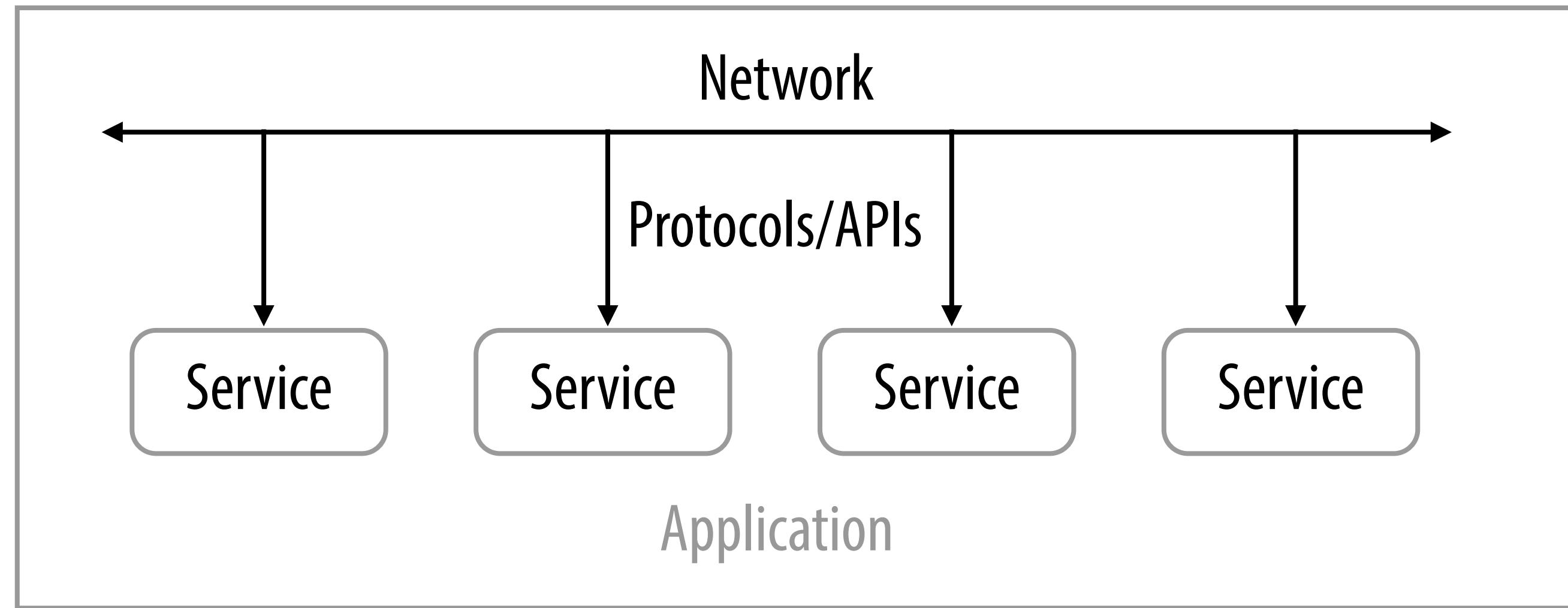
Because partitioning occurs intra-process/intra-host instead of inter-process/inter-host, distribution of behaviors across processor resources does not change behavior internals

Replacement Independence = Dependency Minimization

Replacement Independence = Flexibility, Robustness, Mobility

# What is a Micro-Service Application?

Application composed of small single purpose services connected via lightweight protocols



Enables internal language agnosticism but external shared protocol (http/ReST/json)

Increased dev team **autonomy** and **agility**

Easier scaling

Decreased **coupling**

Enhanced **cohesion**

Producer/Consumer architecture

**“High Replacement Independence”**

# **Backup Slides**

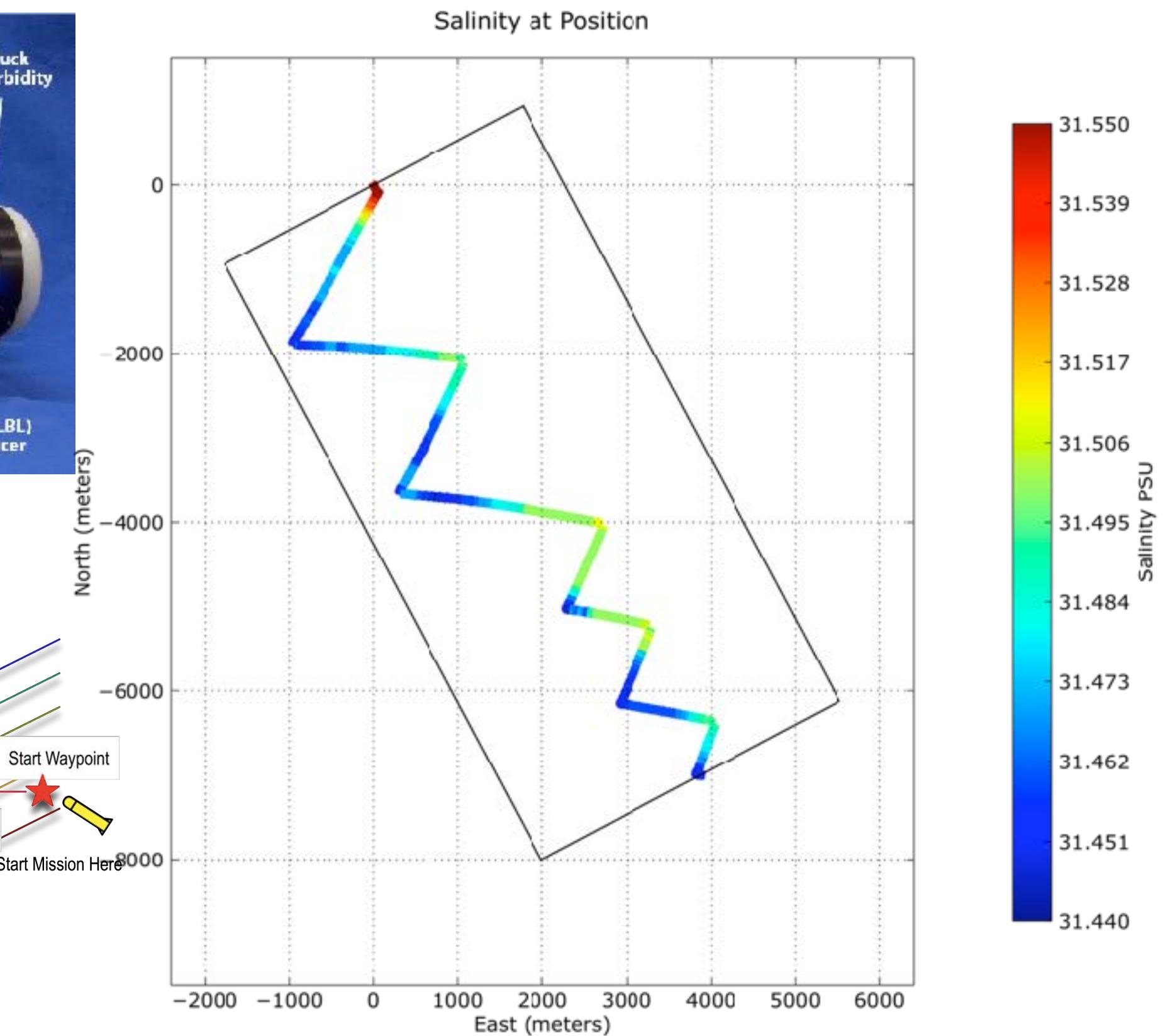
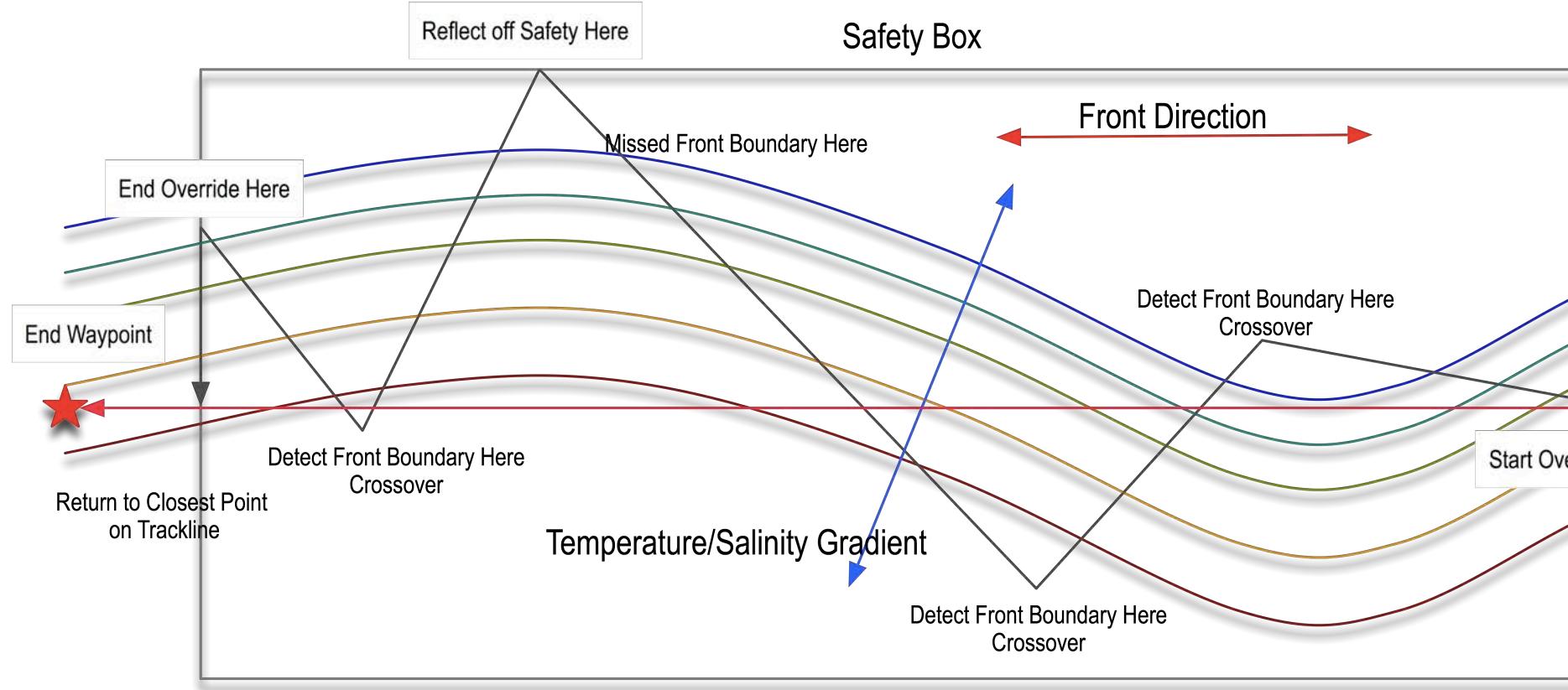
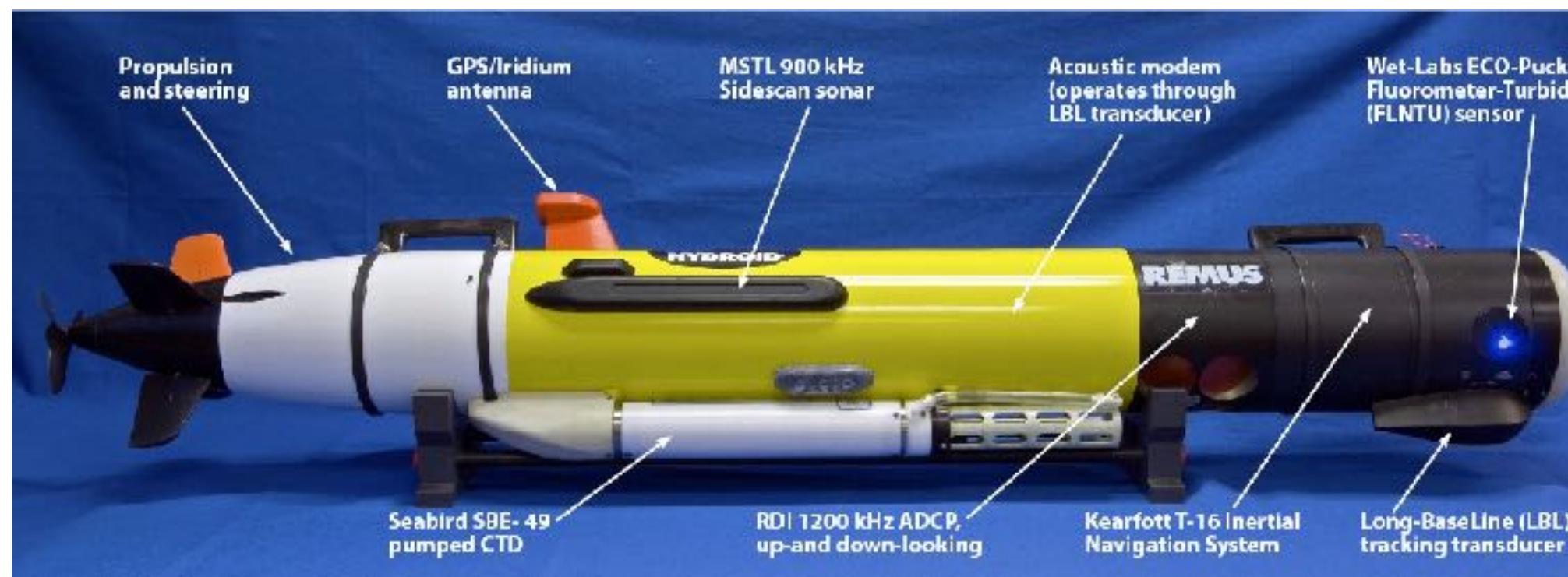
# ASYNC ARCHITECTURE OVERVIEW

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# Autonomous Underwater Vehicles



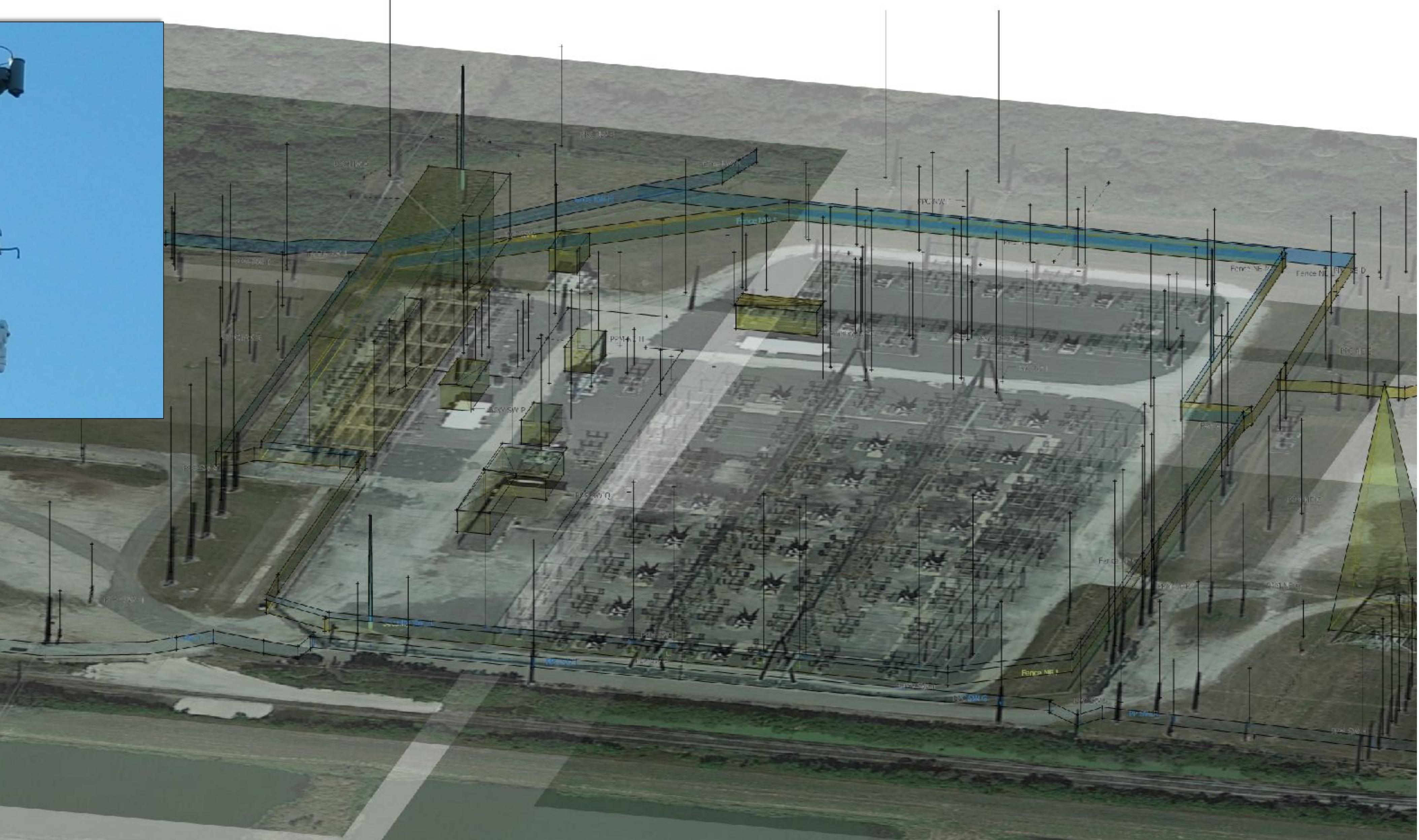
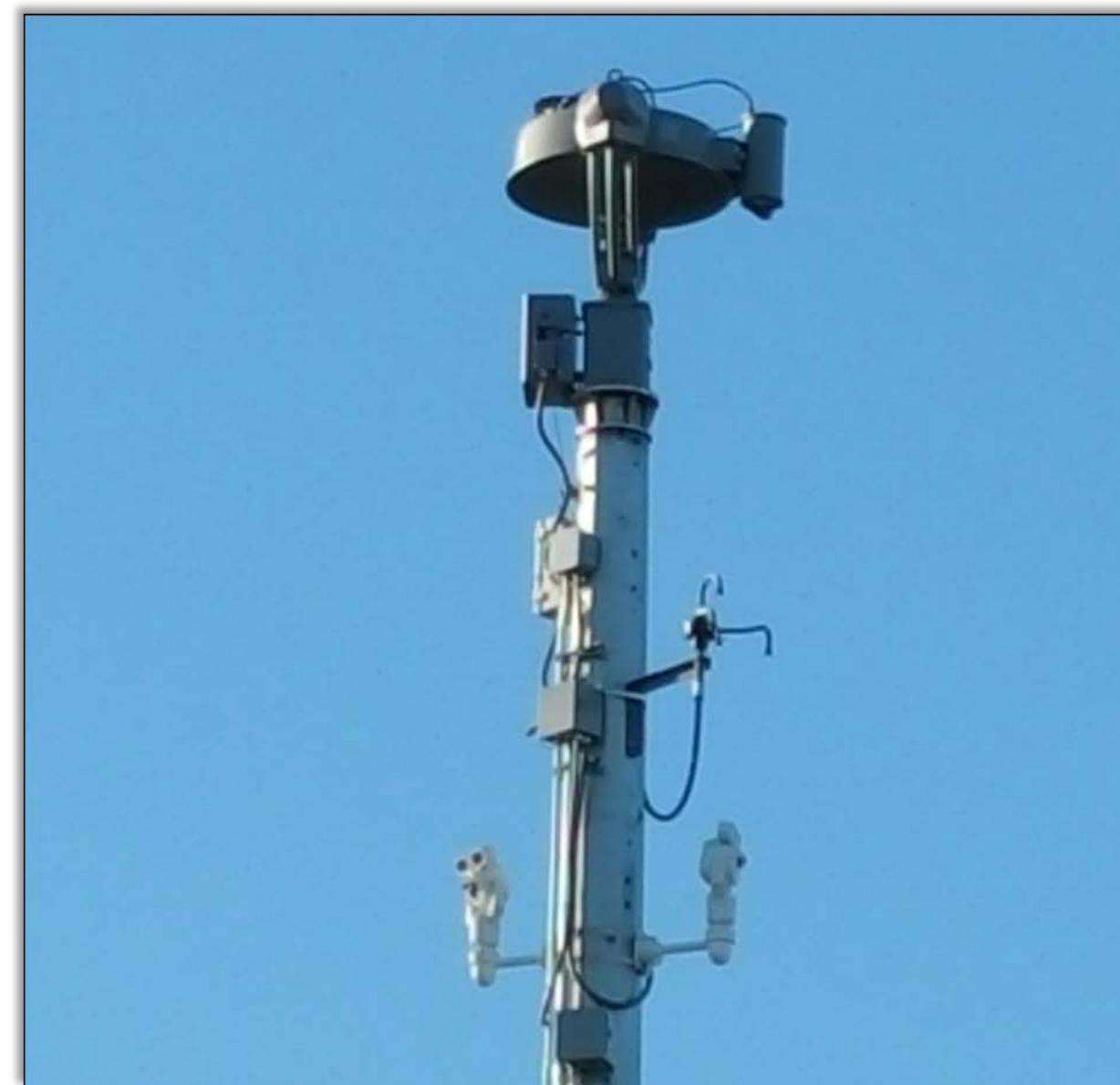
# Environmental Adaptive Sampling



# Shipboard & Building Automation



# PHYSICAL SECURITY OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

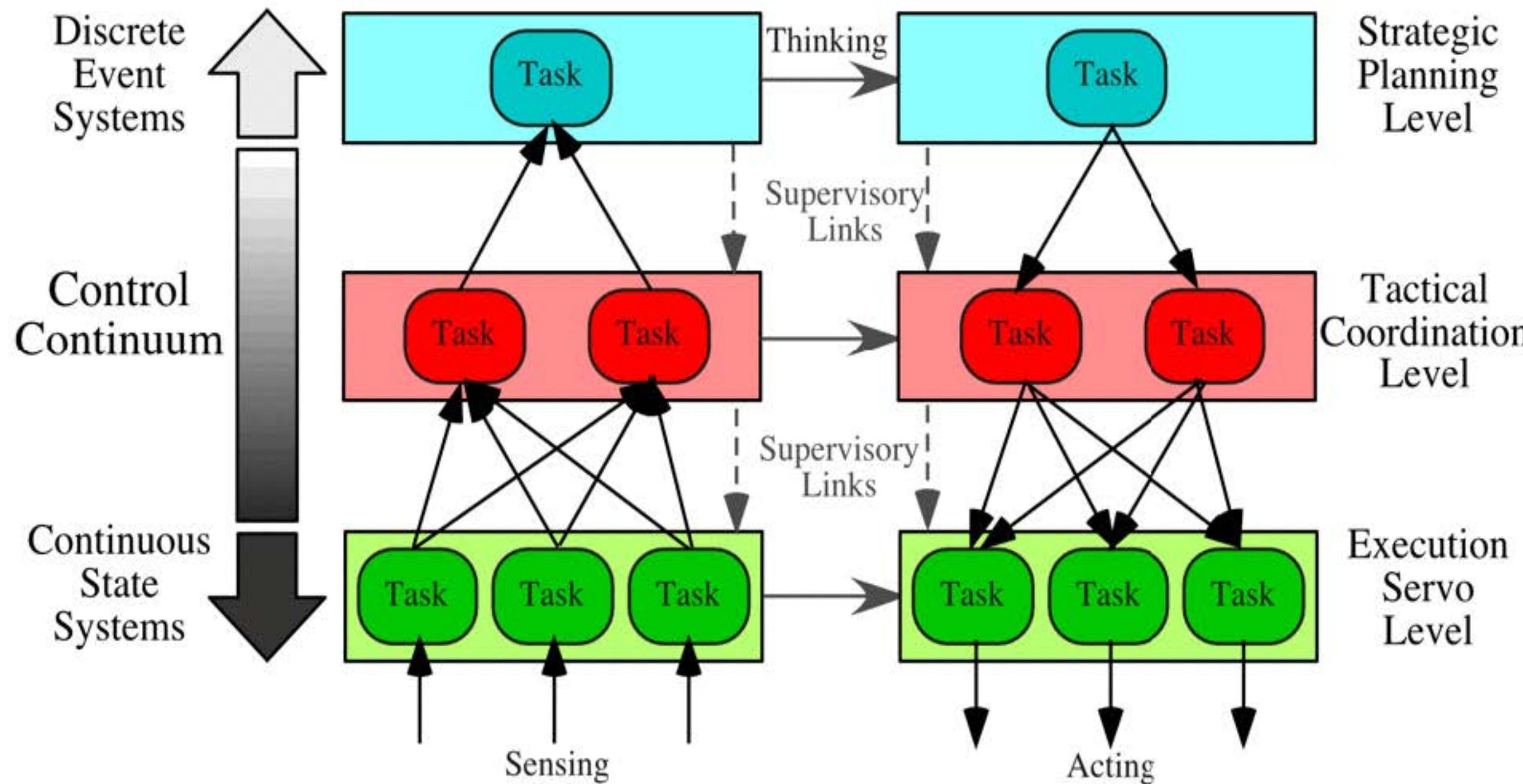


# Complex System Control

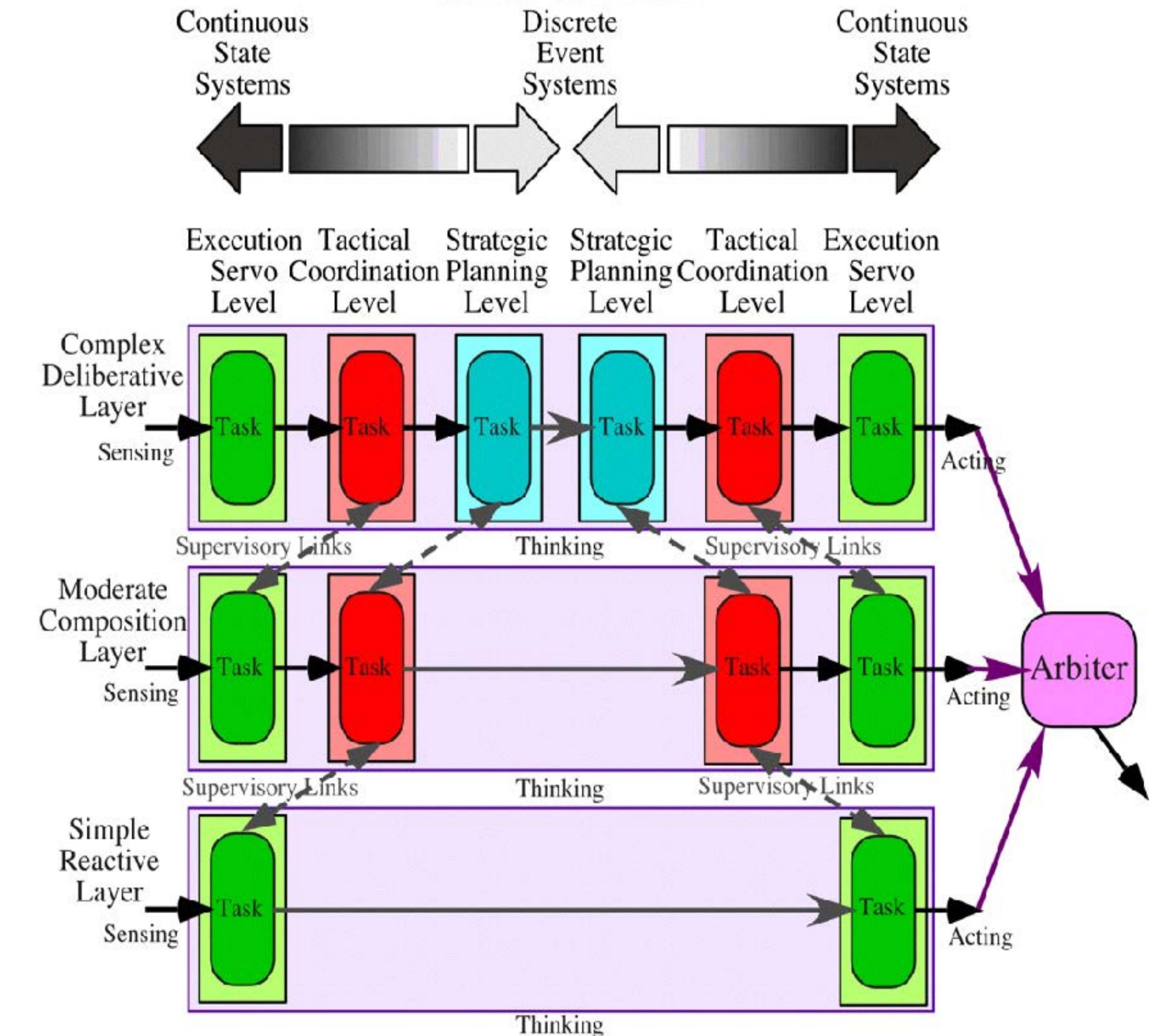
Strategic, Tactical, Executive

Deliberative, Compositive, Reactive

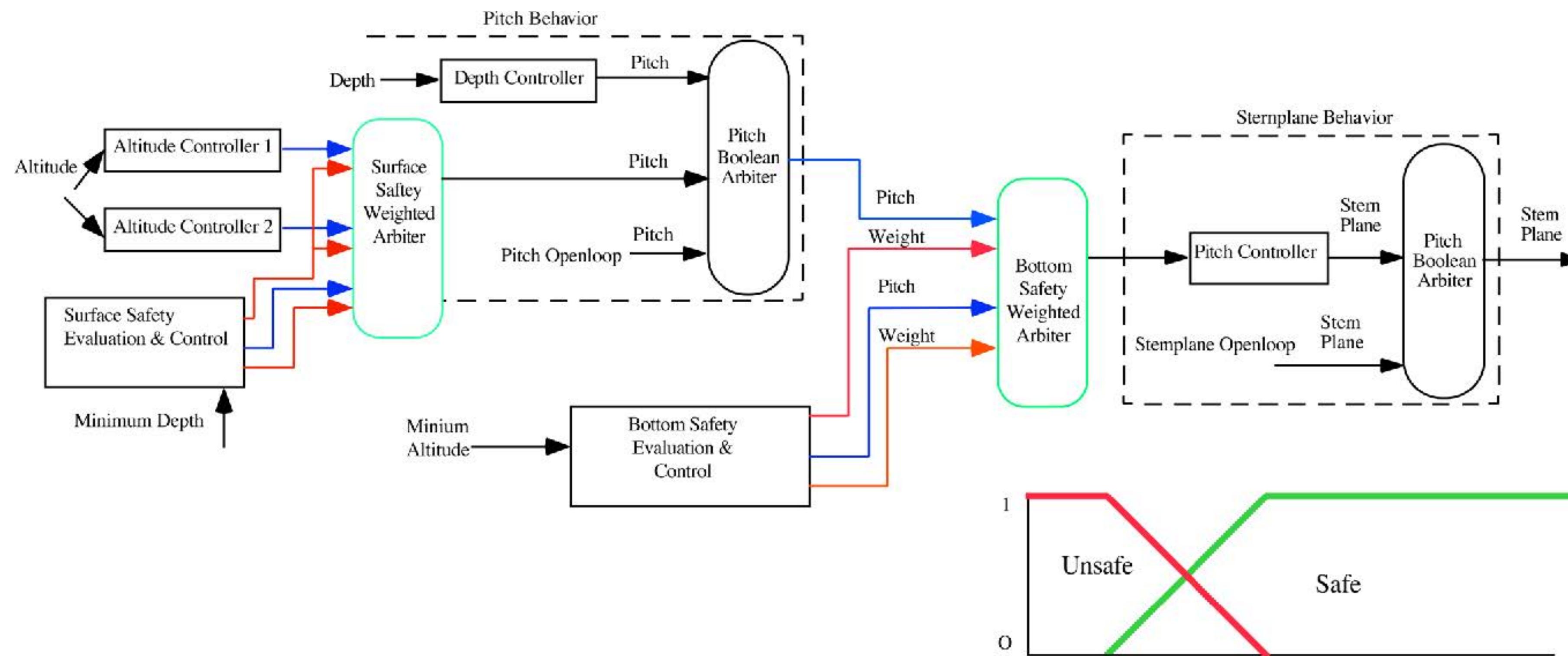
## Hybrid Hierarchical Control



Hybrid Layered Control  
Control Continuum



# Automated Reasoning



# Coordinated Control - Distributed Consensus

Groups of autonomous agents from different circumstances  
cooperating to achieve shared objective(s) in an environment of  
uncertainty

Think Decentralized Autonomous Organizations

Think Distributed Autonomic Services

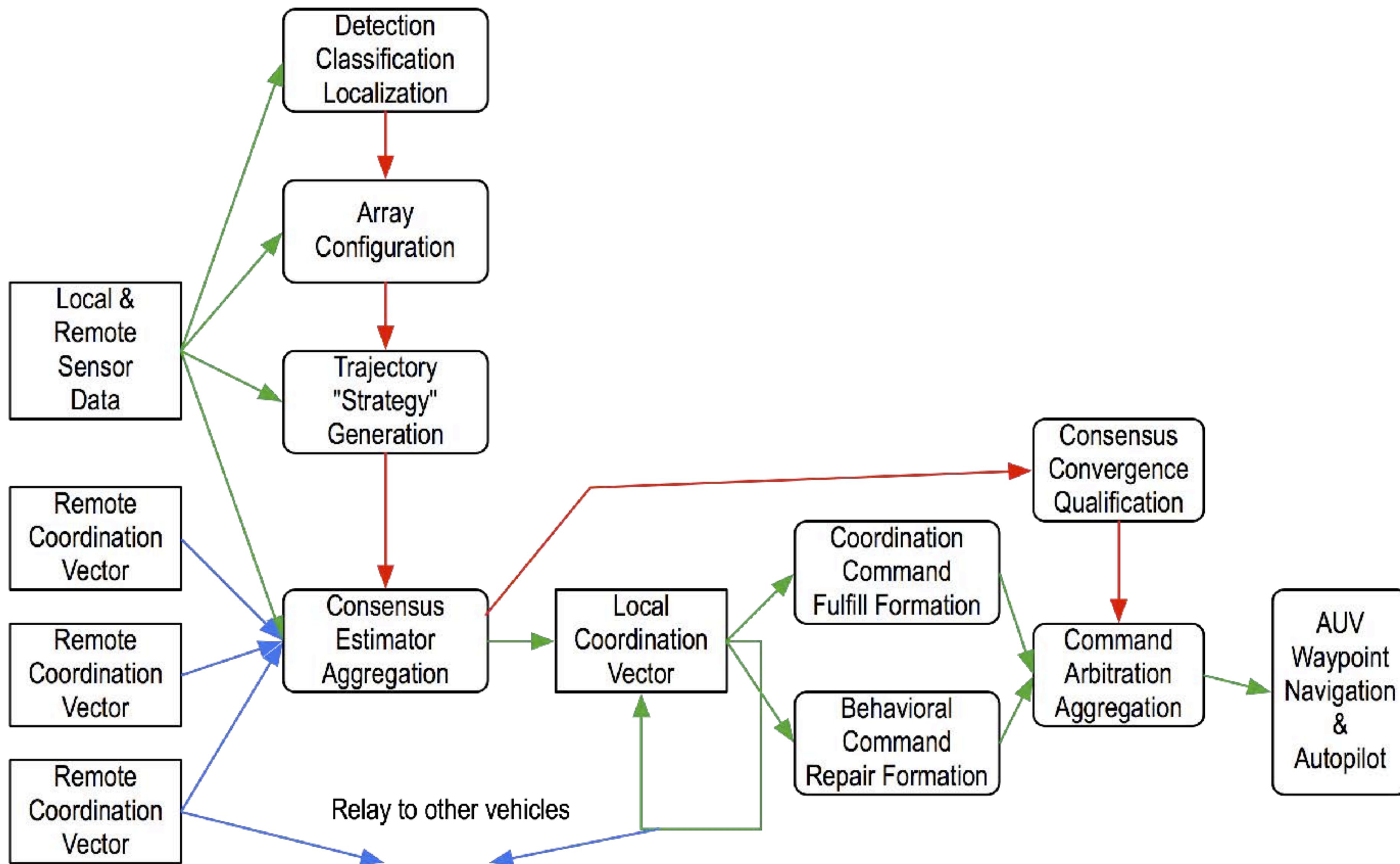
# Coordinated Control Types

Leader-Follower

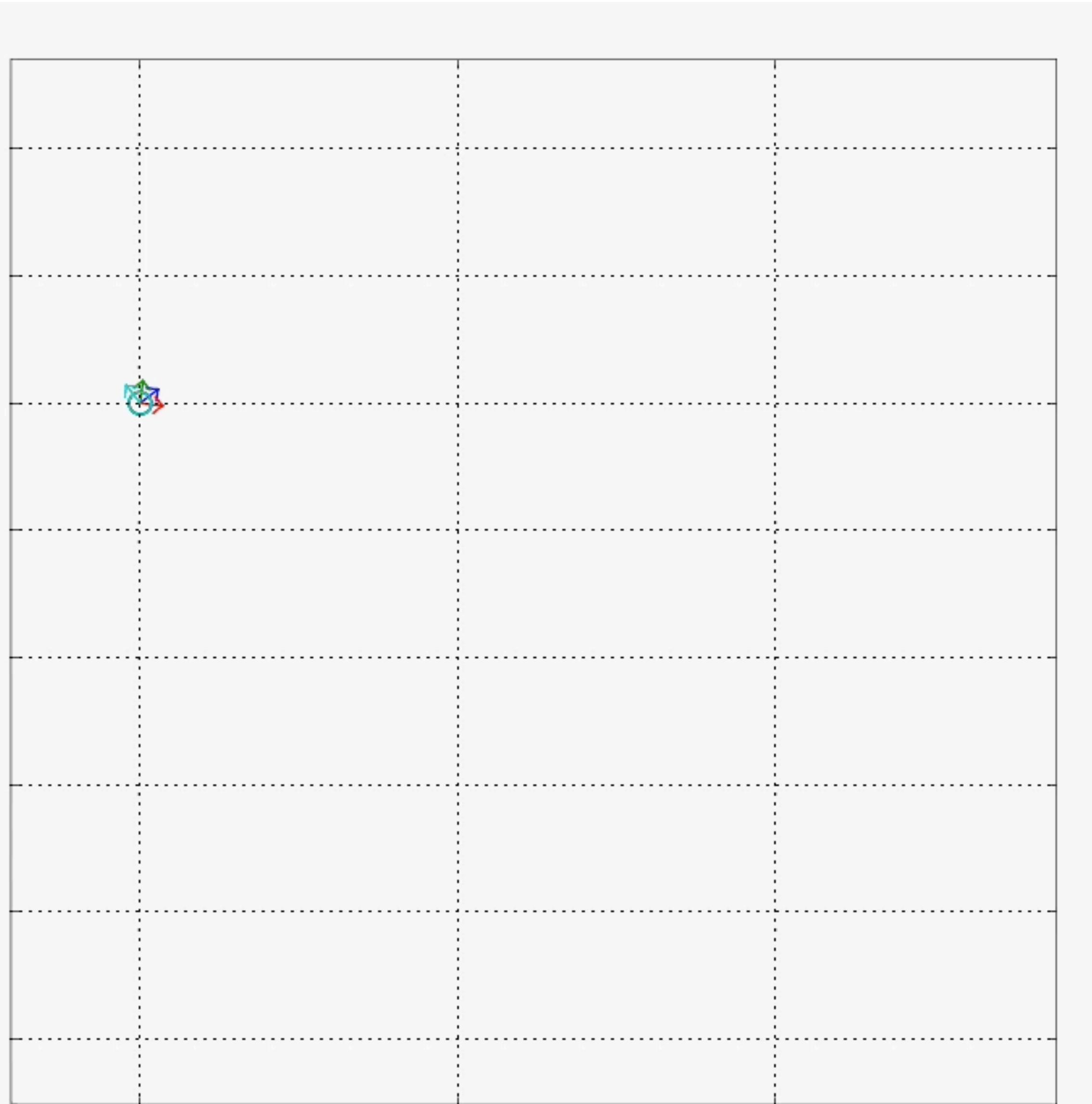
Behavioral

Role Based (Virtual Structure)

# Role Based Coordinated Control



# Cluster Control



# Pattern Centric Reasoning/Learning

Humans deal with information uncertainty in an open world by using patterns or models to organize and distill information to take coherent action.

Patterns are flexible compositions of qualities, features and behaviors that can be matched against real world situations to generate an appropriate response.

Patterns bundle (generalize) disparate input cases (discontinuous decision/event space) into a finite set of flexible scenarios (models).

We want to synthesis programs from patterns.

A crucial problem is the *pattern representation problem*.

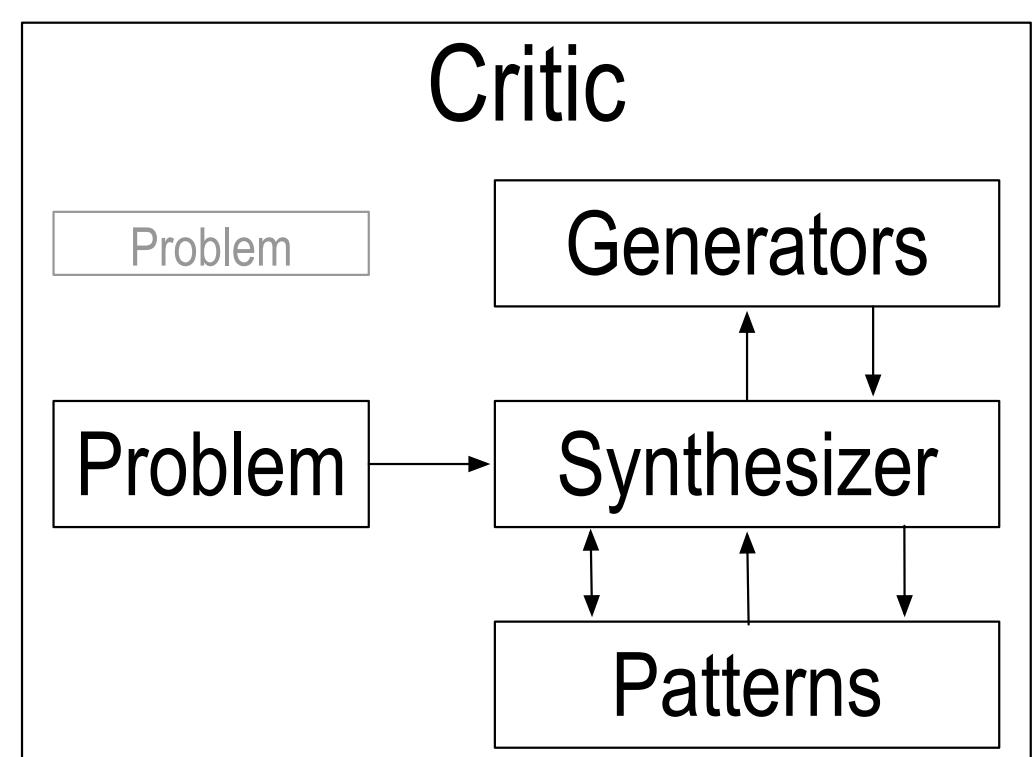
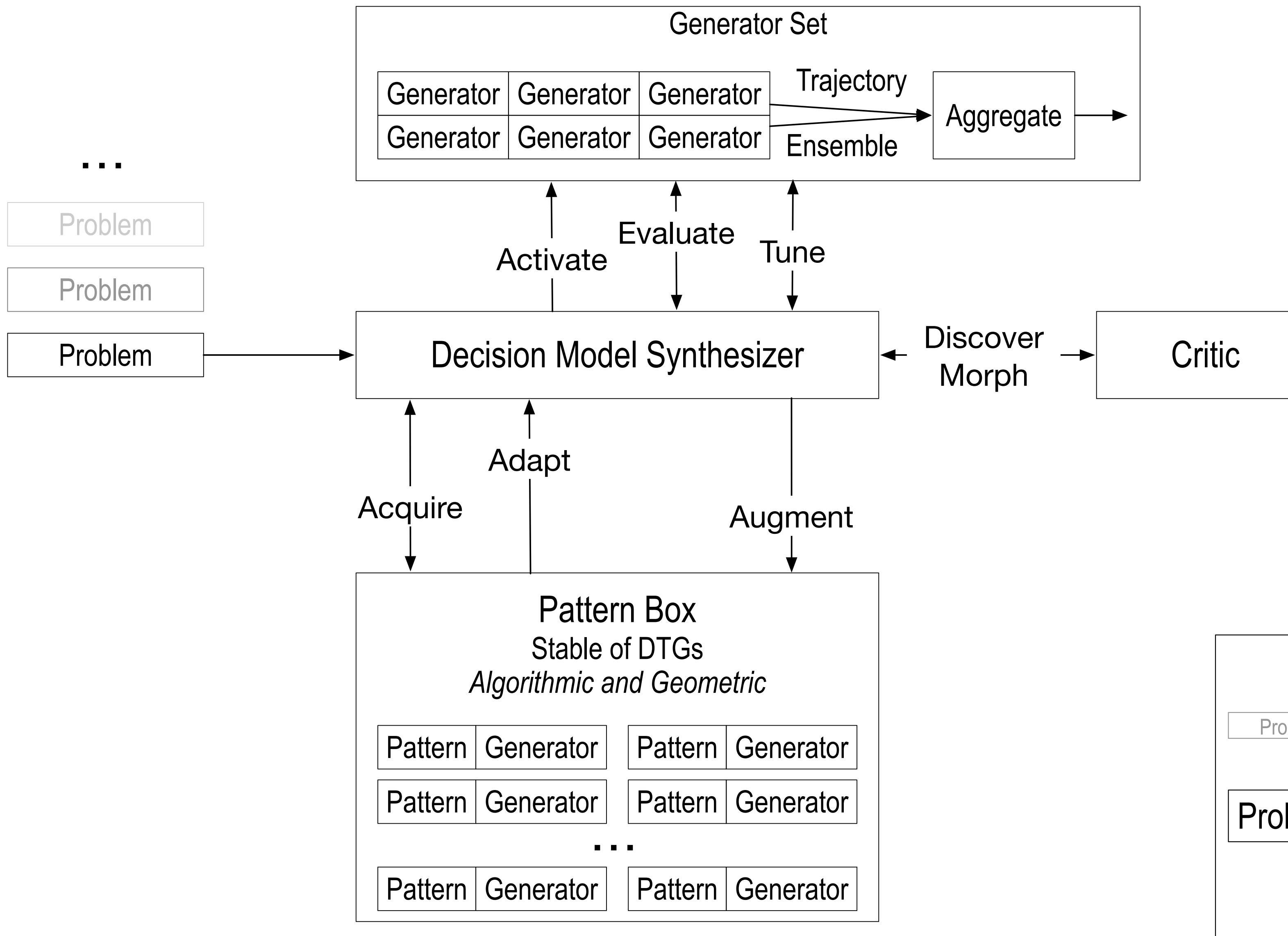
Need pattern richness. Only sufficiently rich pattern representations will achieve generalized learning.

*Insight:* Humans match patterns not merely against *points* in decision/event space but against multi-step sequences of points in decision/events space. (ie models)

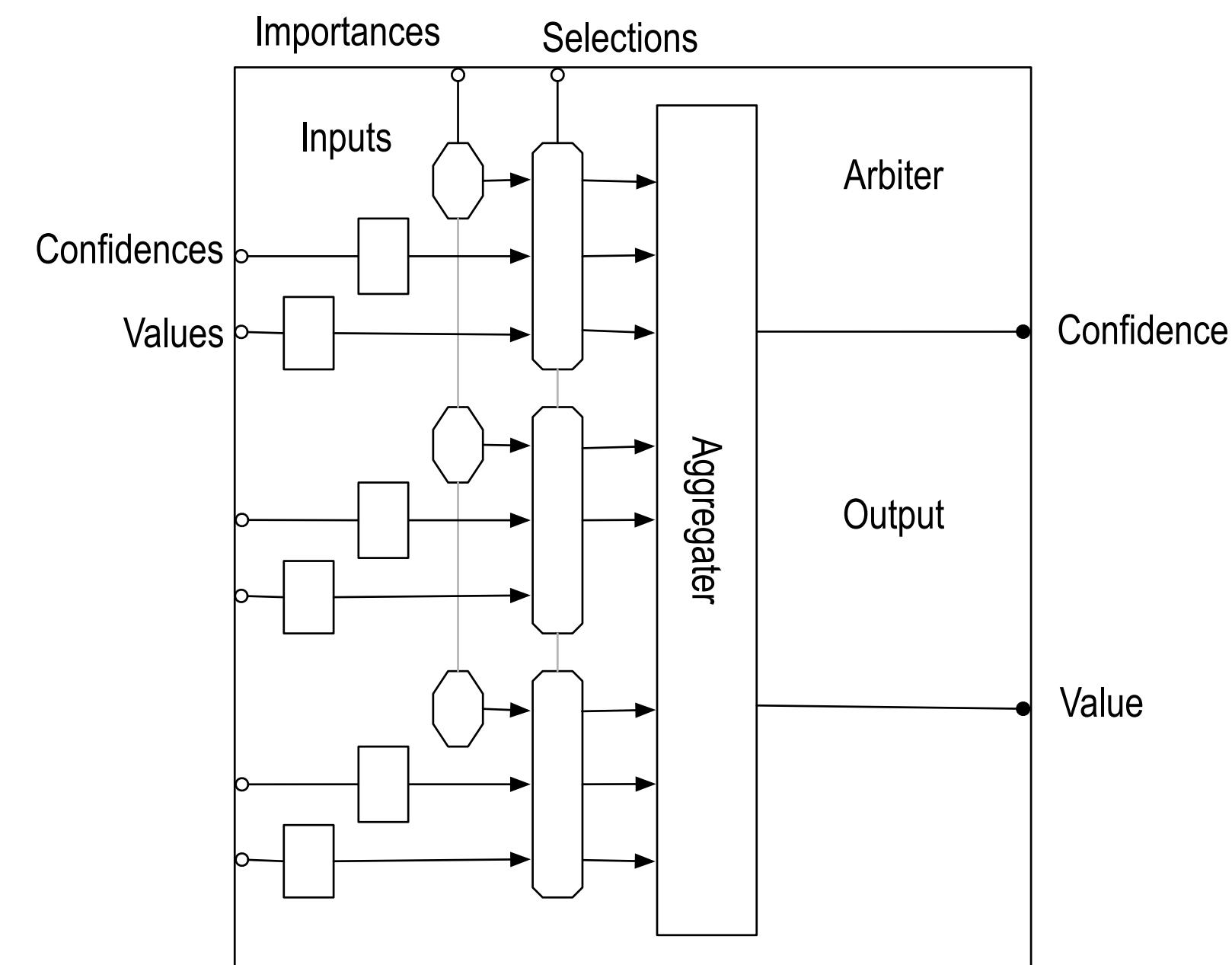
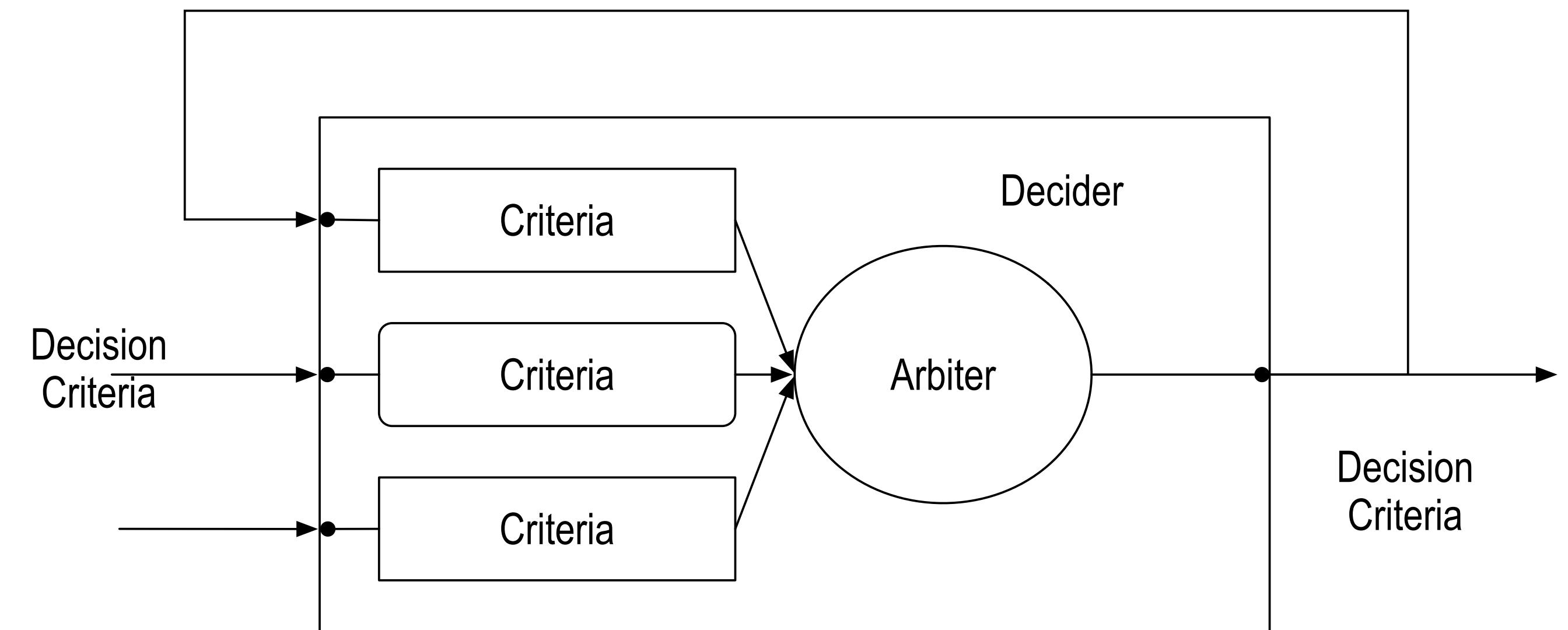
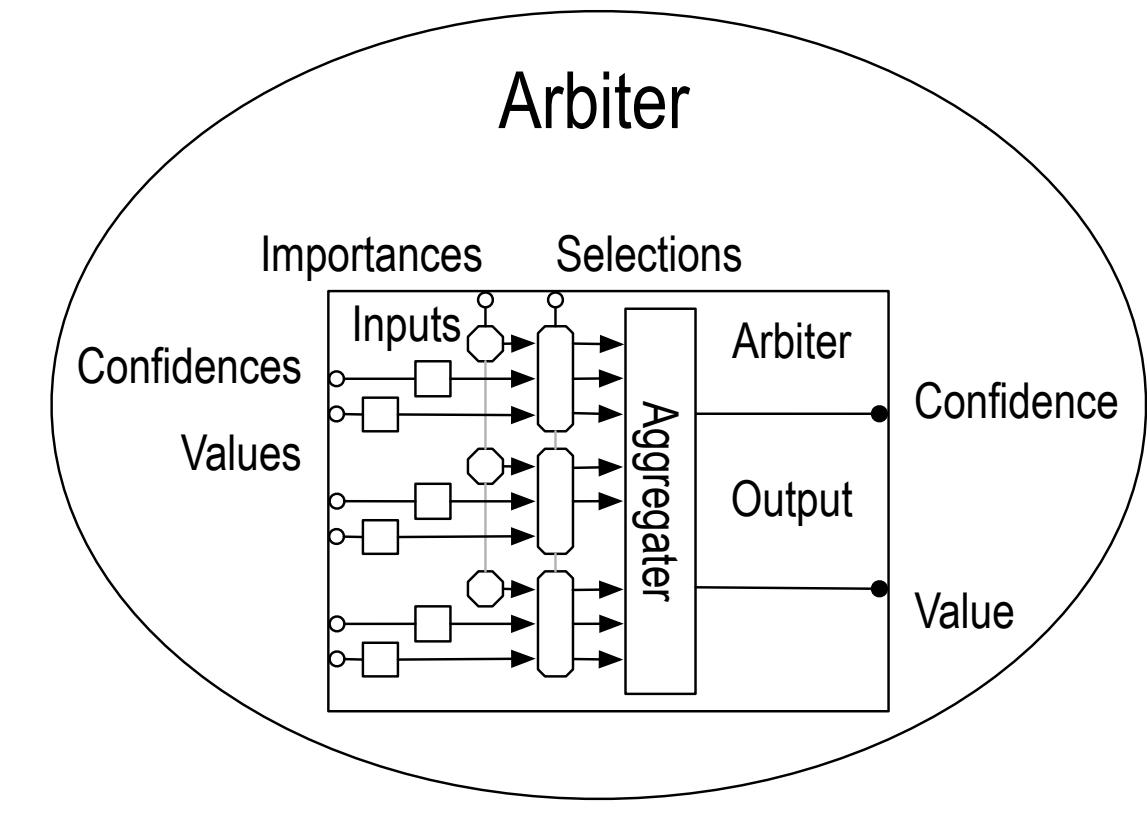
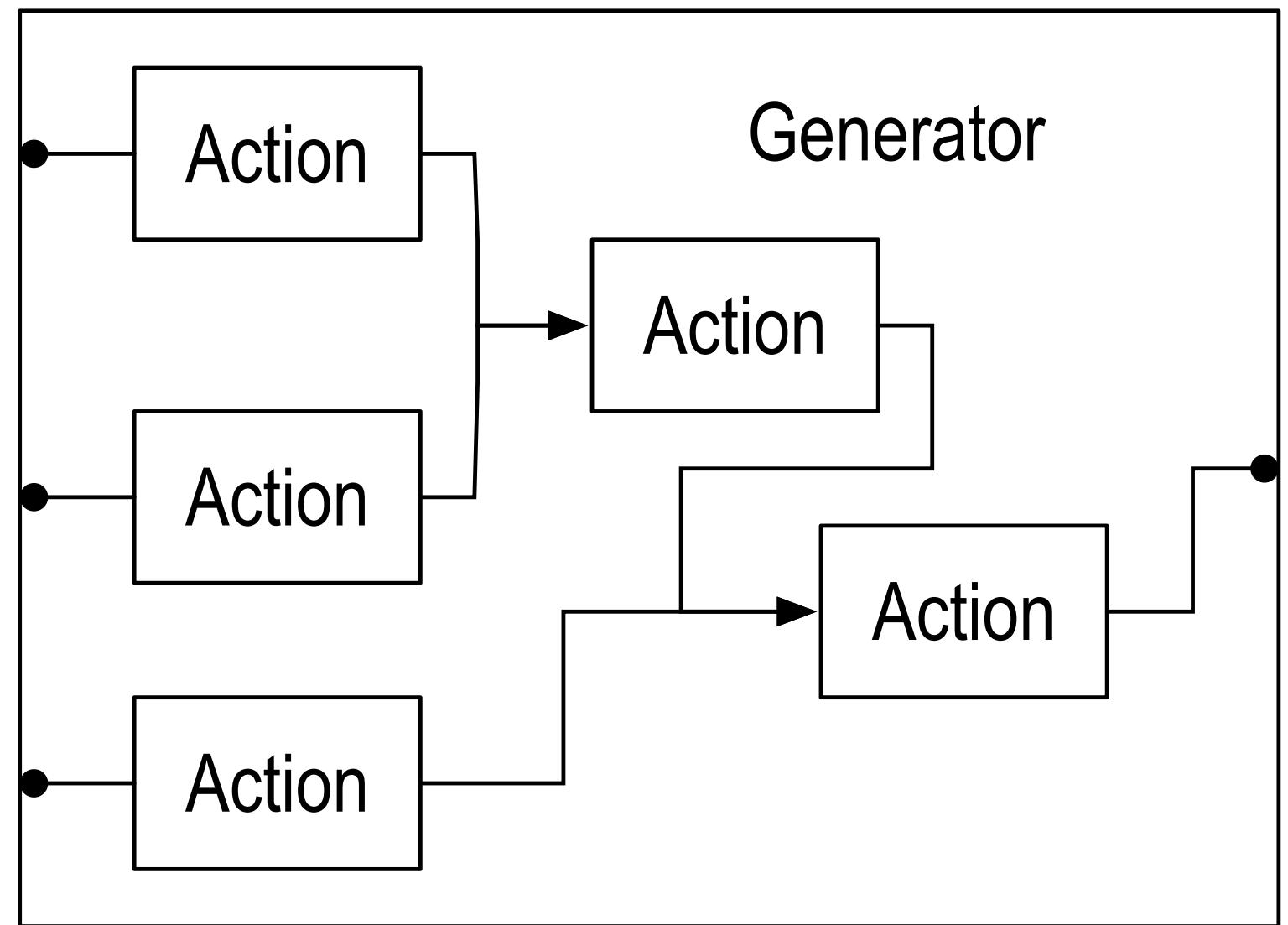
Deliberative reasoning evaluates predictions over multiple steps

# PCR

## Pattern Centric Reasoning

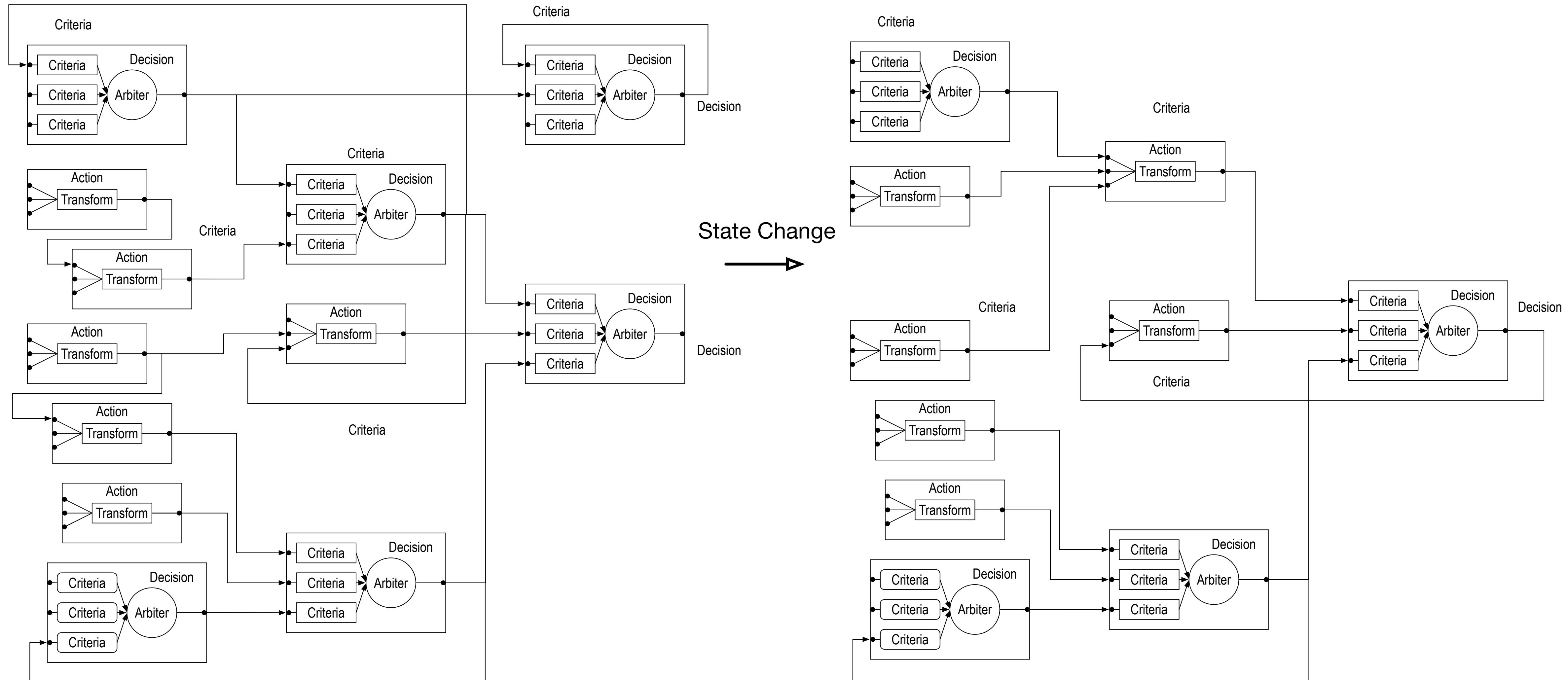


# Components



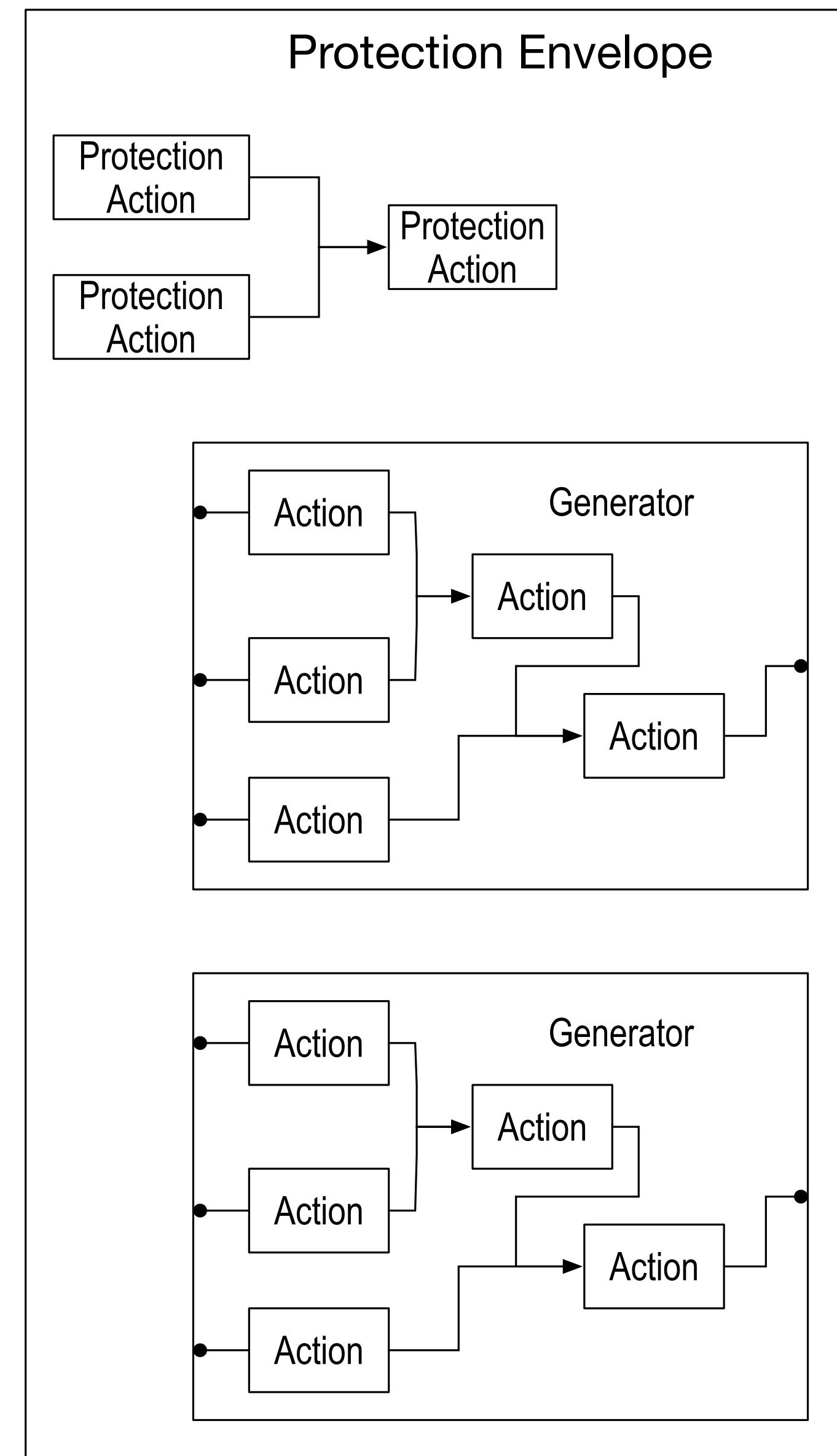
# Staged Generators

Staged Generators



# Autonomic = Self-\*\*\* Code

## Protected Discovery



# Complexity Management

**Real Complexity** = number of **dependencies** between elements of a software system

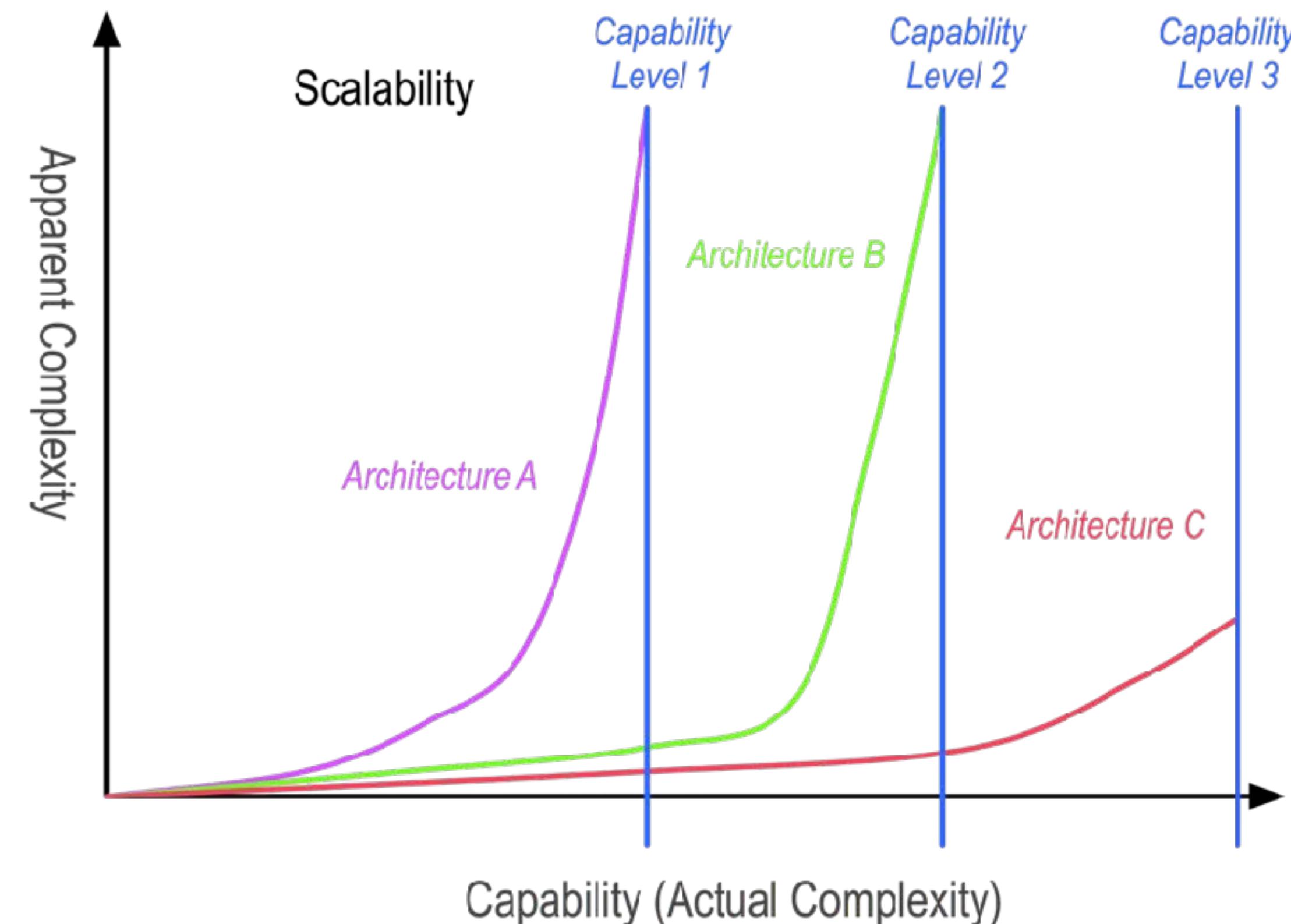
**Apparent Complexity** = number of **dependencies** that programmers must manage  
in order to make meaningful enhancements to software functionality

**Perceived Risk** = peril the programmer faces when attempting to add  
meaningful enhancements to software functionality.

# Scalability

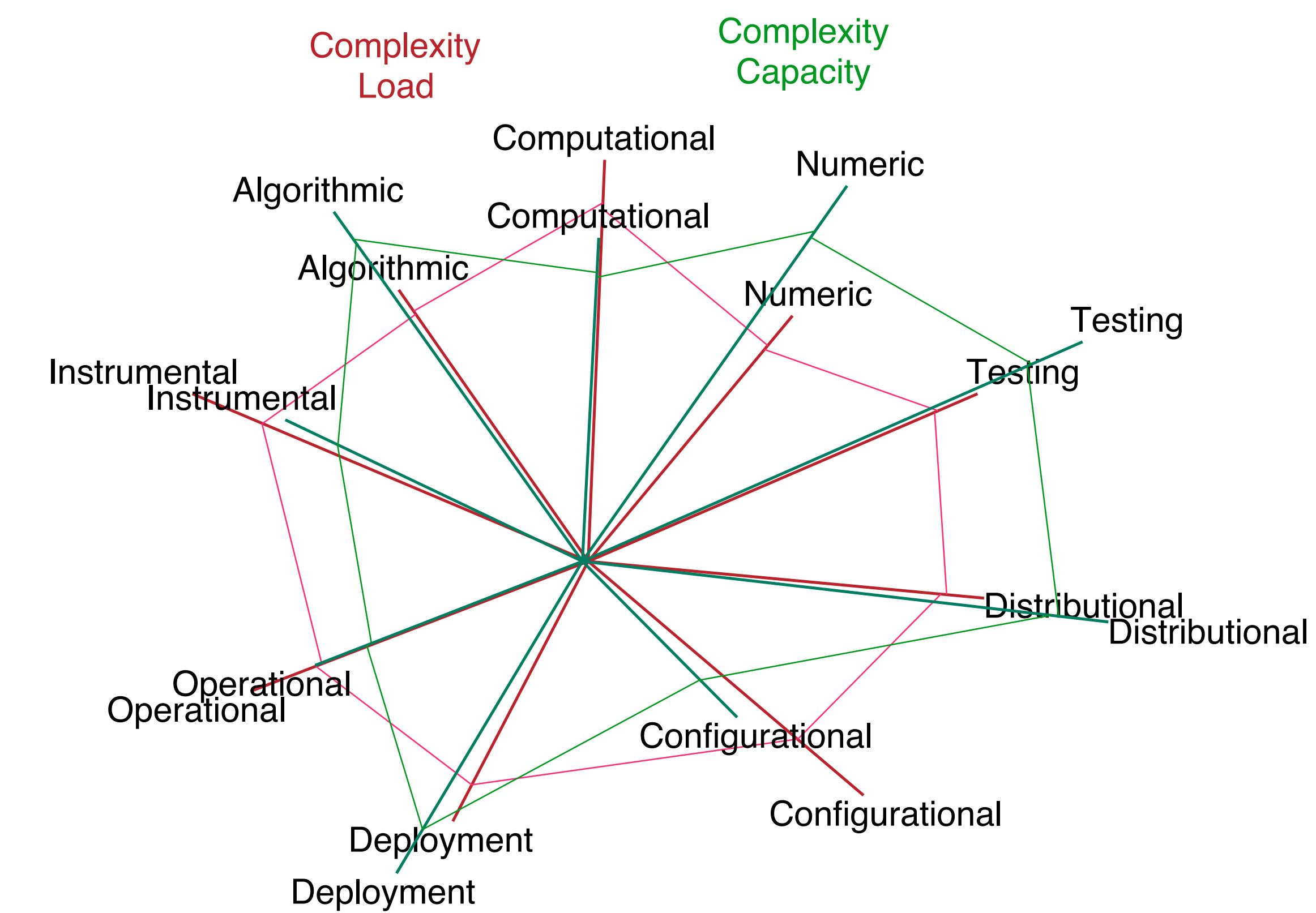
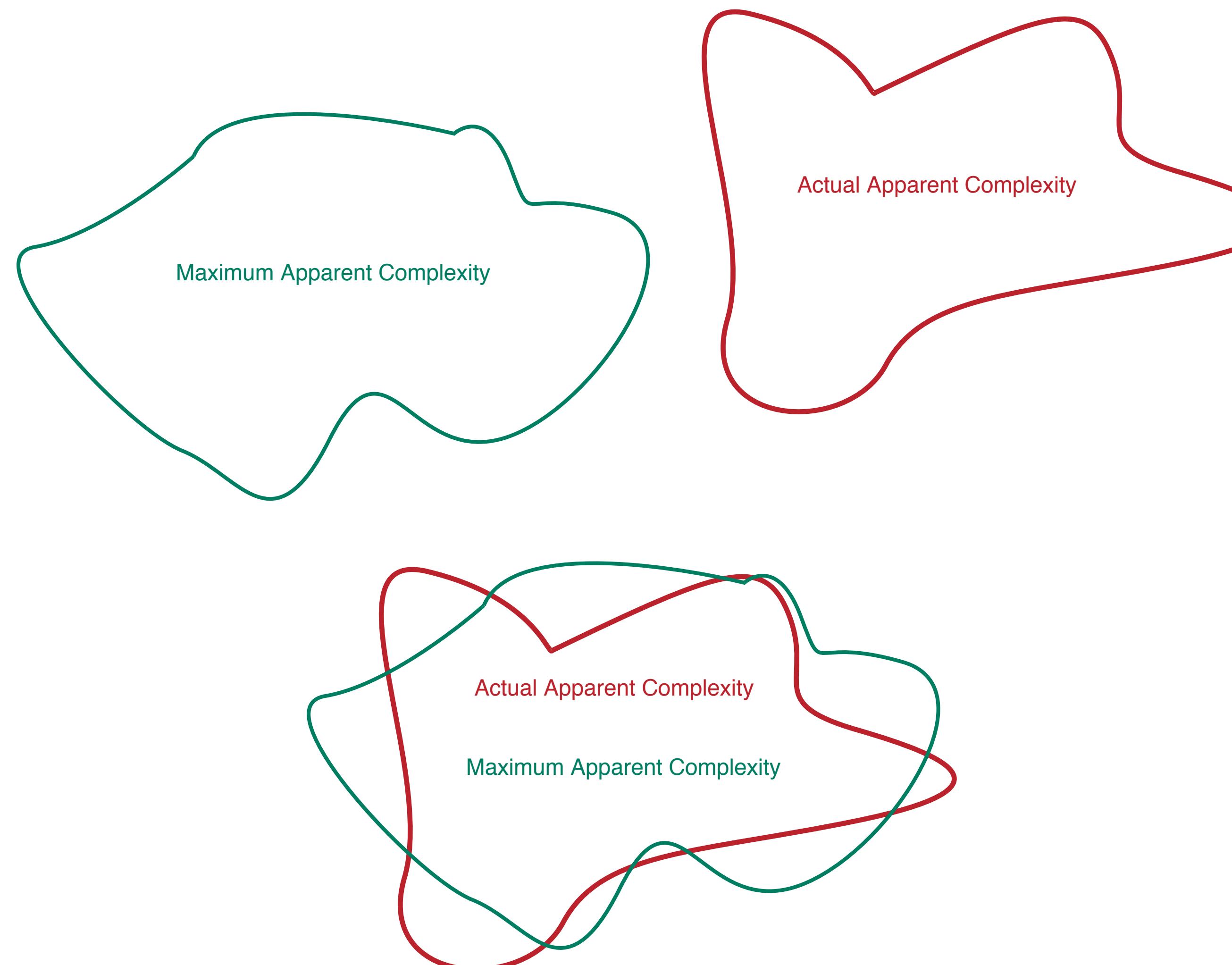
Higher levels of capability increase *real complexity* and may increase *apparent complexity*.

The principle limitation is programmer capacity **not** computational capacity



A given architecture/development team has a given **maximal apparent complexity capacity**.

*When the **actual** apparent complexity starts to reach the **maximal capacity**, development becomes **painful**.*



# Replacement Independence

Behaviors (components) can be externally connected without any internal changes.

Composition of complex networks/graphs is conceptually simple

Because partitioning occurs intra-process/intra-host instead of inter-process/inter-host, distribution of behaviors across processor resources does not change behavior internals

Replacement Independence = Dependency Minimization

Replacement Independence = Flexibility, Robustness, Mobility

# Online Program Synthesis

Contextualized generators

Adapting, tuning, training of generators

Interpolating generators

Composing new generators from sub-generators

Discovering new generators by predictive discovery of generator components and parameters.

# Zero Trust Computing

Diffuse trust perimeter-less security model

Security, Privacy, Agency

# Diffuse trust perimeter-less security principles

The network is always **hostile**, internally & externally; **Locality** is not **trustworthy**.

Every **network interaction** or **data flow** must be **authenticated** and **authorized** using best practice **cryptography**.

Inter-host communication must be **end-to-end signed/encrypted** and **data** must be **stored signed/encrypted**; Data is **signed/encrypted in motion** and at **rest**.

Policies for **authentication** and **authorization** must be **dynamically modified** based on **behavior**.

Policies must be **governed** by **distributed consensus**.

# Decentralized Identity Inverts Service Architectures

Conventional (centralized):

Server creates identifiers (GUID, Database primary keys)

Server timestamps

event ordering relative to server

Server manages keys,

AuthN/AuthZ is indirect via client to server proxy

Perimeter Security

Server is source of truth

Server controls changes/updates to resources

Signed at rest problematic

Encrypted at rest problematic

Server's role is 2nd party in two party transactions  
between client to server to client.

Unconventional (decentralized):

Client creates identifiers (DIDs)

Client timestamps

event ordering relative to client

Client manages keys

AuthN/AuthZ is direct peer-to-peer

Perimeterless Security

Client is source of truth

Client controls changes/updates to resources

Server cannot make changes

Client signs at rest

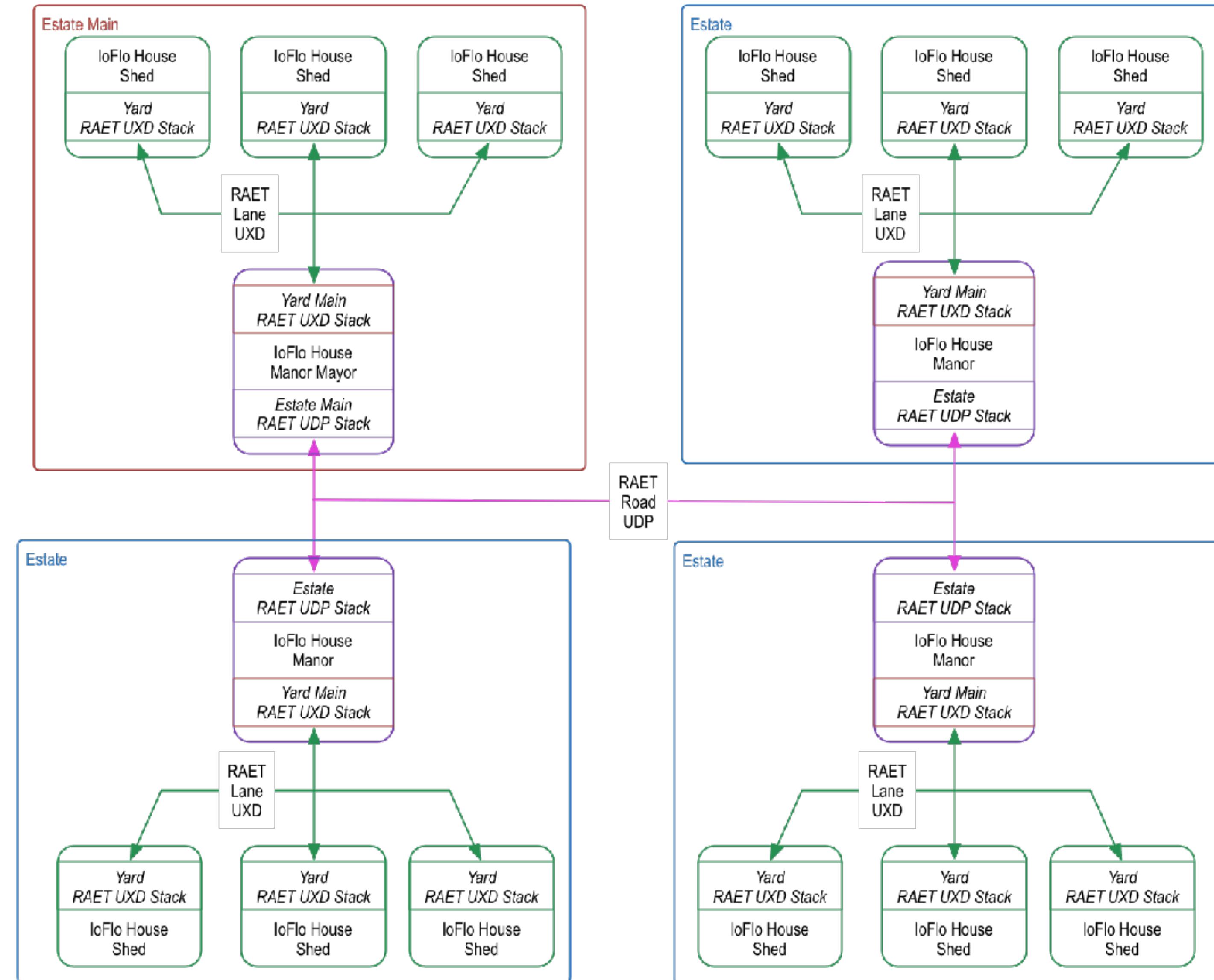
Client encrypts at rest

Server's role is either:

Trusted 3rd party in 3 (multi) party transactions  
between 2 (or more) clients and server

Agent or proxy for a client in two party transaction  
with another client.

# RAET Metaphor



# RAET Features

<https://github.com/RaetProtocol/raet>

Peer-to-peer exchange of long term keys with multiple levels of control over how the exchange occurs.

Peer-to-peer implementation of the CurveCP handshake that allows for either side of a pair of hosts to initiate the handshake and resolves simultaneous CurveCP handshakes.

Exchanges name, role, and mode identifiers. Completed handshake authenticates the name for data flow routing, the role for authorization, and the mode for how the node operates on a given channel.

Extensible protocol that makes a trade-off on the side of simplicity and ease of debugging with a flexible header and a flexible data body.

The header by default is ascii readable and achieves compactness using a default value policy. This makes the ascii header on average about the same size as a full binary header.

Because the header is not fixed it is easily extensible and future proof.

Using routed data flows on top of the RAET channel credentials enables a data flow router to easily implement authorization policy. Where Authorization is per data flow address. Dynamic authorization policy can be easily implemented via a lookup table associated with each router.

# RAET Reliable Asynchronous Event Transport

<https://github.com/RaetProtocol/raet>

End-to-End Encryption and Signing with:

NaCL, X25519, CurveCP Handshake, Curve25519, Salsa20/20 Poly1305

Python with LibNacl, Ioflo

UDP for interhost communication

Unix domain sockets for interprocess communications

Presence Support

Truly **asynchronous** architecture with non-blocking I/O

Peer-to-peer bidirectional Curve-CP handshake



## Incremental Encapsulation

*Framing concurrency*

Framers

Auxiliary Framers

Master/Slave Framers

Nested Frames



## Incremental Encapsulation

***Actioning components***

FloScript Verbs

Ioflo library Python Actions/Behaviors for do verb objects

Custom Python coded do verb objects

Custom coded Python C Extensions for do verb objects

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Port Automata/ Port Based Objects

[Port Automata and the Algebra of Concurrent Processes, Steenstrup & Arbib 1982](#)

[SoftwareComponentsForRealTime, Stewart 2000](#)

***not block oriented***

Declaration Sentence: **verb** [object] [prepositional-phrases]  
**done**  
**frame** *build* **in** *setup*  
**set** *speed* **to** 5  
**framer** *create* **at** 0.5 **be** *active* **first** *build*  
[adjectives ...] kind

Verb Object: **do** *salt* *eventer*



## **Intelligent Autonomy-Autonomic-Automation Programming Framework**

Open Source: MIT License - [ioflo.com](http://ioflo.com) - [github.com/ioflo](https://github.com/ioflo)

Automation Operating System

Micro Threaded Concurrent Execution Engine With Non Blocking I/O

Automated Reasoning Engine

Flow Based Programming Framework

Hierarchical Action Framework

Discrete Event Simulation Framework

Dependency Injection Framework

Universal PubSub

FloScript: DSL for Convenient Configuration

Machine Learning - Machine Intelligence Infrastructure

# Universal Name-Spaced Pub/Sub Interface for Intra application communication

***high replacement independence***

## Addressing Modes:

	direct	indirect-absolute
<code>put name sam eyes blue <i>into</i> .person.detail</code>		
	indirect-relative-implied	indirect-relative-root
<code>set speed <i>by</i> blue <i>in</i> myapp.setup</code>		
	direct	indirect-relative-frame
<code>put name sam eyes blue <i>into</i> detail <i>of</i> frame start</code>		
	direct	indirect-relative-framer
<code>put true <i>into</i> good <i>of</i> framer</code>		

# RAET Reliable Asynchronous Event

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- RAET
  - Micro threaded architecture with non-blocking I/O
  - Micro threaded Event Pub/Sub separate from socket based transport layer
  - UDP sockets
  - Better observability and management of performance under load
  - Transactions
  - Unix domain sockets for interprocess communications

# Creating a Do verb object/behavior “deed” with decorator

```
def doify(name,
          base=None,
          registry=None,
          parametric=None,
          inits=None,
          ioinits=None,
          parms=None):
    """ Parametrized decorator function that converts the decorated function
        into an Actor sub class with .action method and with class name name
        and registers the new subclass in the registry under name.
        If base is provided then register as subclass of base.
        Default base is Doer
```

The parameters registry, parametric, inits, ioinits, and parms if provided, are used to create the class attributes for the new subclass

"""

# Example

```
@doify('IoserveServerClose', ioinits=odict(valet=""))
def ioserveServerClose(self, **kwa):
    """
    Close server in valet

    Ioinit attributes:
        valet is a Valet instance

    Context: exit

    Example:
        do ioserve server close at exit
    """
    if self.valet.value:
        self.valet.value.servant.close()

        console.concise("Closed server '{0}' at '{1}'\n".format(
            self.valet.name,
            self.valet.value.servant.eha))
```

# Valet WSGI HTTP Server

```
class Valet(object):
    """
    Valet WSGI Server Class
    """

    Timeout = 5.0 # default server connection timeout

    def __init__(self,
                 app=None,
                 reqs=None,
                 reps=None,
                 servant=None,
                 store=None,
                 name='',
                 bufsize=8096,
                 wlog=None,
                 ha=None,
                 host=u'',
                 port=None,
                 eha=None,
                 scheme=u'',
                 timeout=None,
                 **kwa):
        """
        Initialization method for instance.
        app = wsgi application callable
        reqs = odict of Requestant instances keyed by ca
        reps = odict of running Wsgi Responder instances keyed by ca
        servant = instance of Server or ServerTls or None
        store = Datastore for timers

        kwa needed to pass additional parameters to servant

        if servantinstances are not provided (None)
        some or all of these parameters will be used for initialization

        name = user friendly name for servant
        bufsize = buffer size
        wlog = WireLog instance if any
        ha = host address duple (host, port) for local servant listen socket
        host = host address for local servant listen socket, '' means any interface on host
        port = socket port for local servant listen socket
        eha = external destination address for incoming connections used in TLS
        scheme = http scheme u'http' or u'https' or empty
        """

    def start(self):
        """
        Start the server
        """
```

# Patron HTTP Client

```
lass Patron(object):
    """
    Patron class nonblocking HTTP client connection manager
    """

    def __init__(self,
                 connector=None,
                 requester=None,
                 respondent=None,
                 store=None,
                 name='',
                 uid=0,
                 bufsize=8096,
                 wlog=None,
                 hostname='127.0.0.1',
                 port=None,
                 scheme=u'',
                 method=u'GET', # unicode
                 path=u'/', # unicode
                 headers=None,
                 qargs=None,
                 fragment=u'',
                 body=b'',
                 data=None,
                 fargs=None,
                 msg=None,
                 dictable=None,
                 events=None,
                 requests=None,
                 responses=None,
                 redirectable=True,
                 redirects=None,
                 **kwa):
        """
        Initialization method for instance.
        kwa needed to pass other init parameters to connector

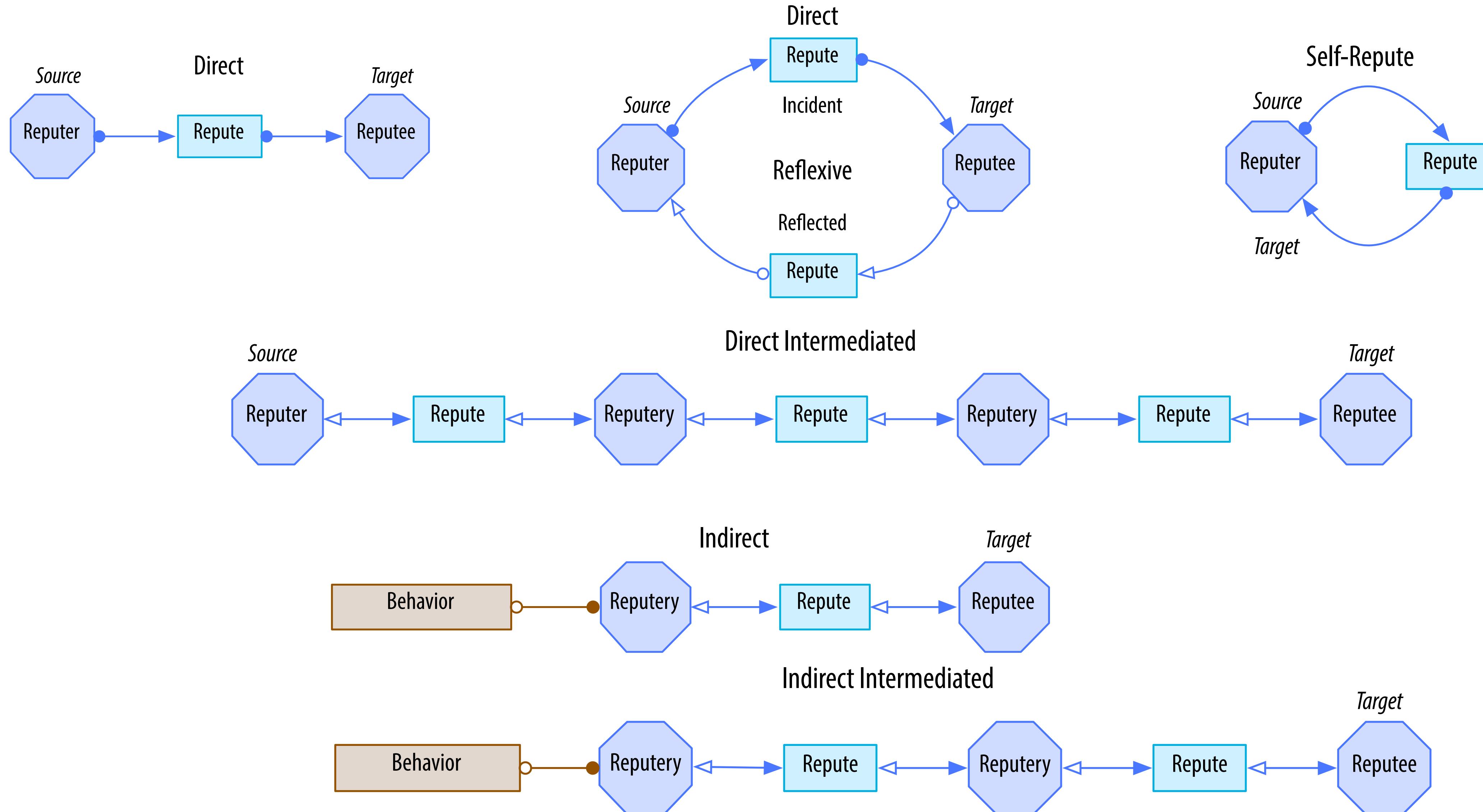
        connector = instance of Outgoer or OutgoerTls or None
        requester = instance of Requester or None
        respondent = instance of Respondent or None

        if either of requester, respondent instances are not provided (None)
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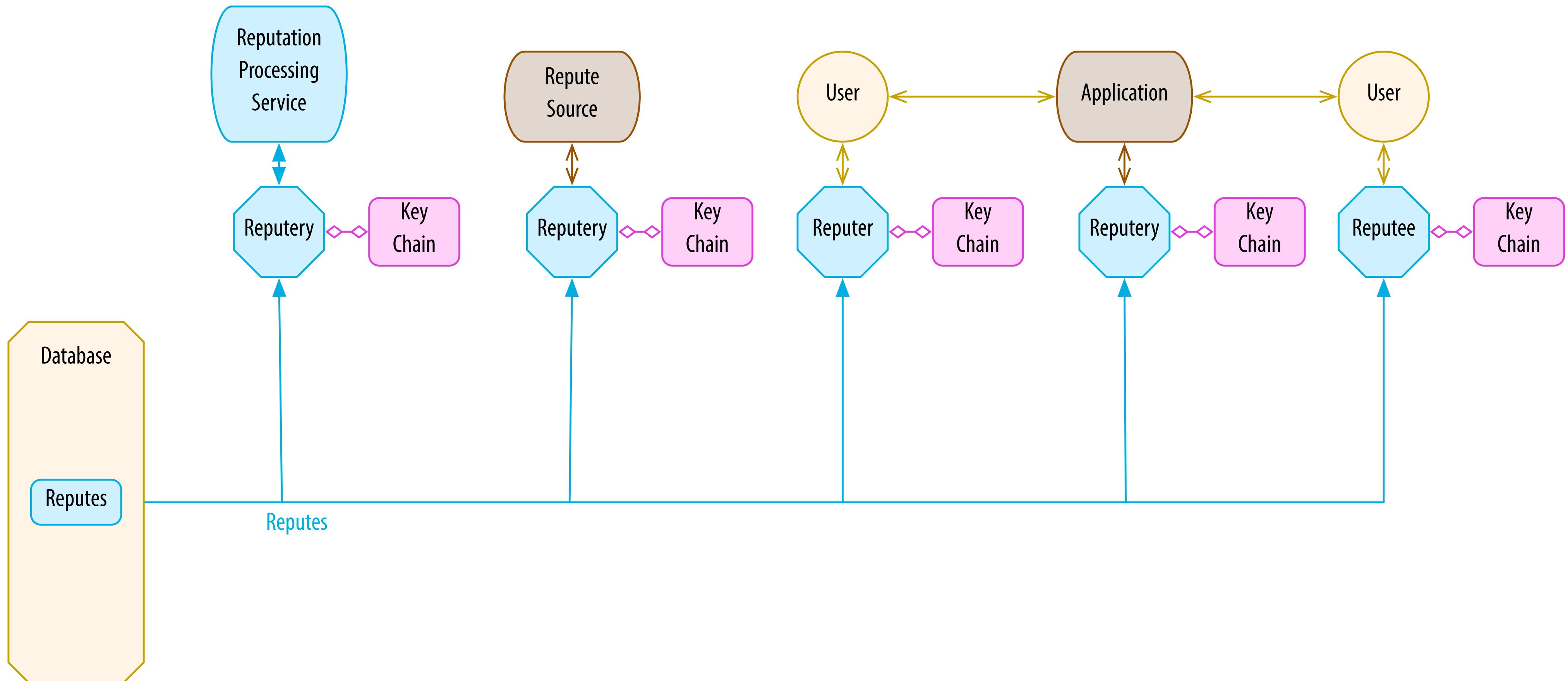
        name = user friendly name for connection
        uid = unique identifier for connection
        bufsize = buffer size
        wlog = WireLog instance if any
        host = host address or hostname of remote server
        port = socket port of remote server
        scheme = http scheme
        method = http request method verb unicode
        path = http url path section in unicode
                path may include scheme and netloc which takes priority
        qargs = dict of http query args
        fragment = http fragment
        headers = dict of http headers
        body = byte or binary array of request body bytes or bytearray
        data = dict of request body json if any
        fargs = dict of request body form args if any
        msg = bytearray of response msg to parse
        dictable = Boolean flag If True attempt to convert body from json
        events = deque of events if any
        requests = deque of requests if any each request is dict
        responses = deque of responses if any each response is dict
        redirectable = Boolean is allow redirects
        redirects = list of redirects if any each redirect is dict
        """

```

# Reputing



# Basic Reputation



# BUSINESS MODEL

*Reputation as a Service* (RAAS)

**DAS** = Distributed Autonomic Service:

service based on distributed consensus + autonomic computing  
algorithms on decentralized computing infrastructure = *distributed AI*

RAAS on a DAS

# **Openness & Portability**

Open Data Formats

Open Frameworks

Open Algorithms

Open Governance

Proprietary Tuning, Parametrization, and Contextualization



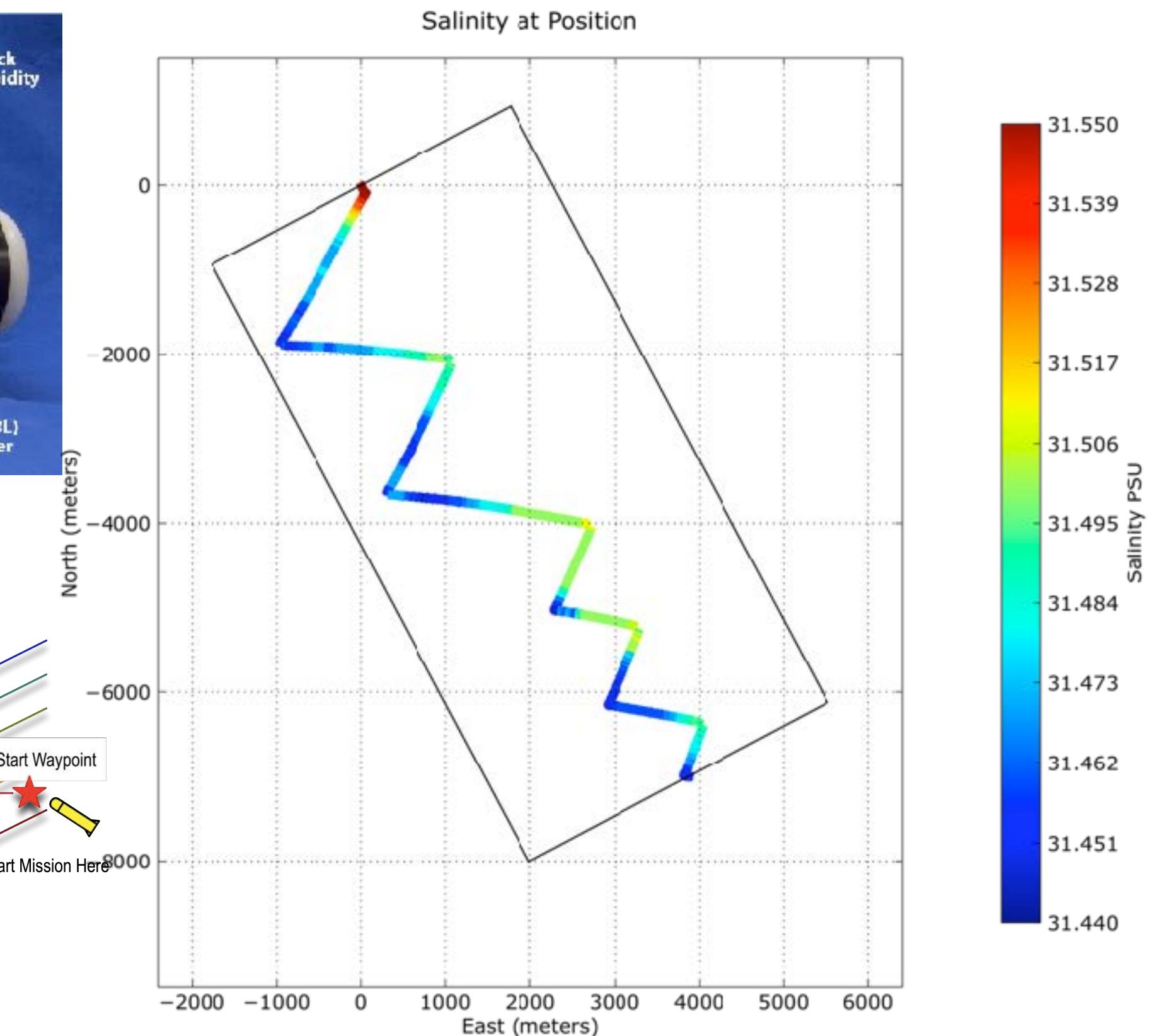
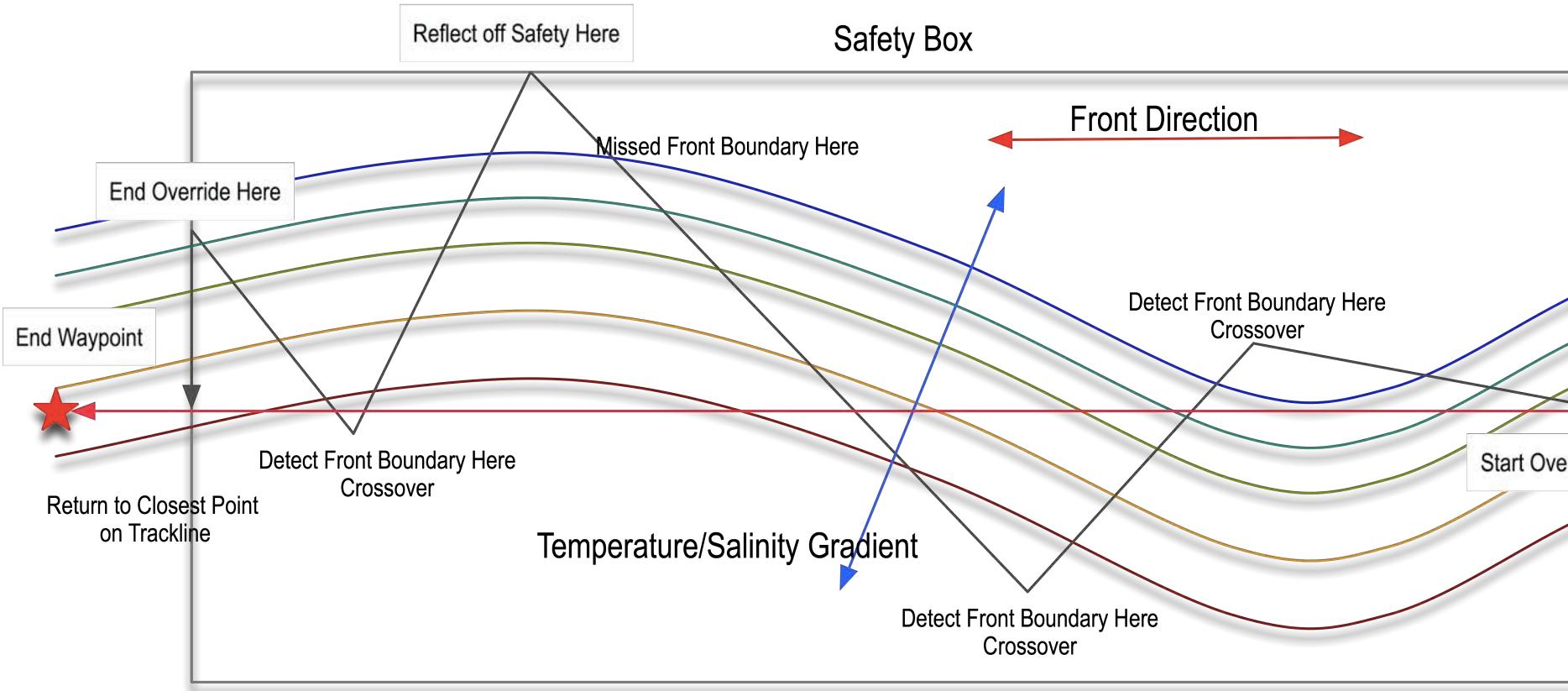
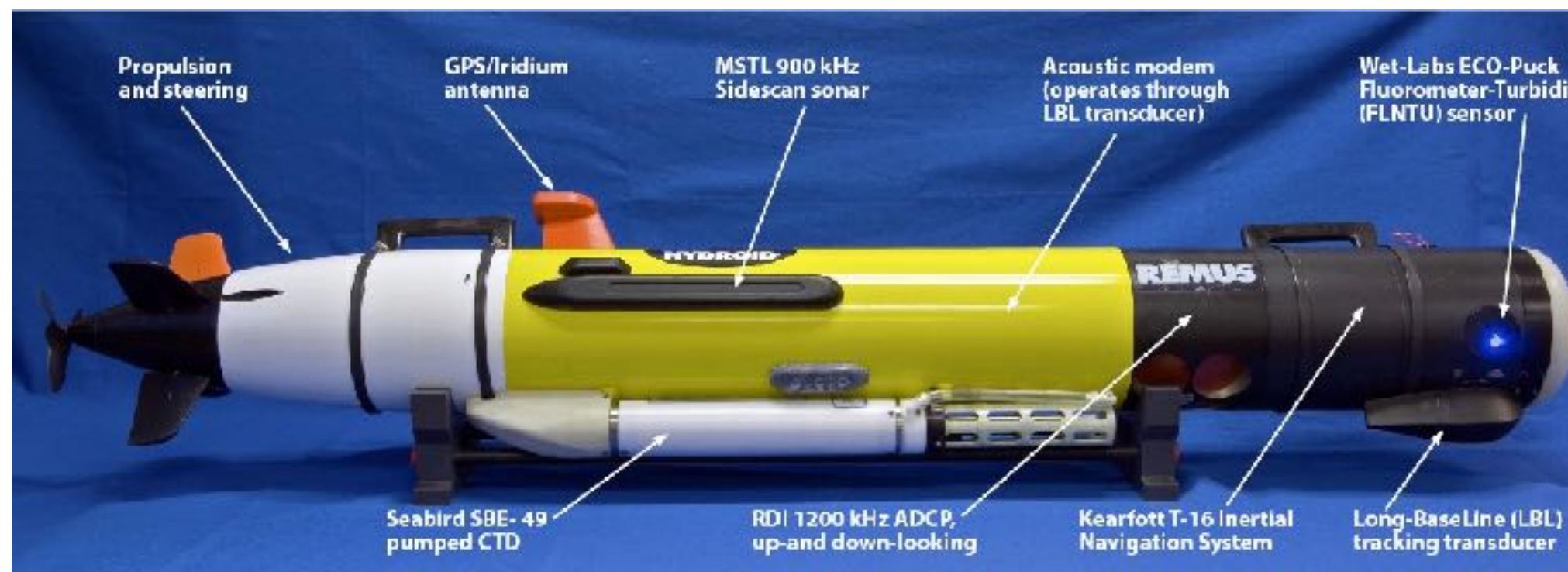
# Algorithm

Elastic Constraint Networks with Reinforcement Learning

# Autonomous Underwater Vehicles



# Autonomous Underwater Vehicles



# Shipboard & Building Automation



# Measurement Theory

## Scales

Nominal (Labeled but not ordered)

aggregation operations: none

Ordinal (Labeled and Ordered)

aggregation operations: median, mode

Interval (Ordered with Distance)

aggregation operations: median, mode, mean and moments about mean, std)

Ratio (Distance with True Zero)

aggregation operations: all

# Uncertainty

Imprecision (Possibility Measures and operators)

Randomness (Probability Measures and operators)

Ambiguity (Similarity Measures and operators)

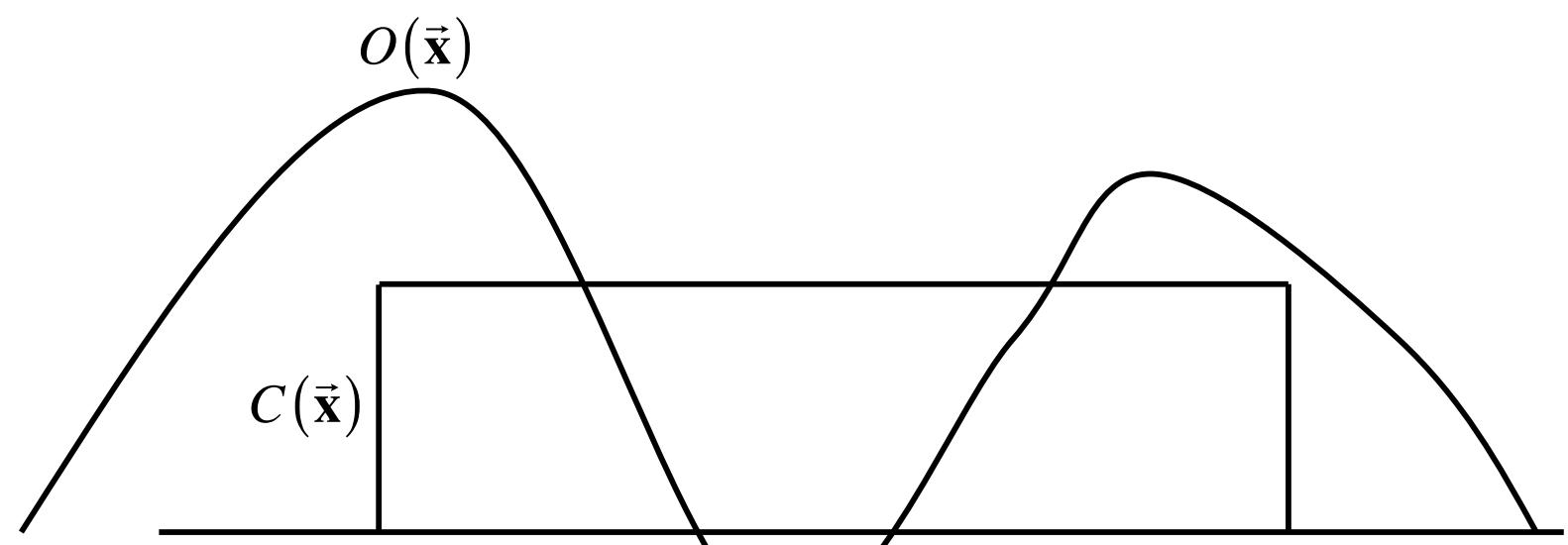
Hybrid (mixtures of imprecision, randomness, and ambiguity)

# Symmetric Multiple Elastic Constraints

Conventional

Crisp constraints (intervals) plus objective function(s).

Maximize objective function(s) in area allowed by crisp constraints



$$O(\vec{x}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

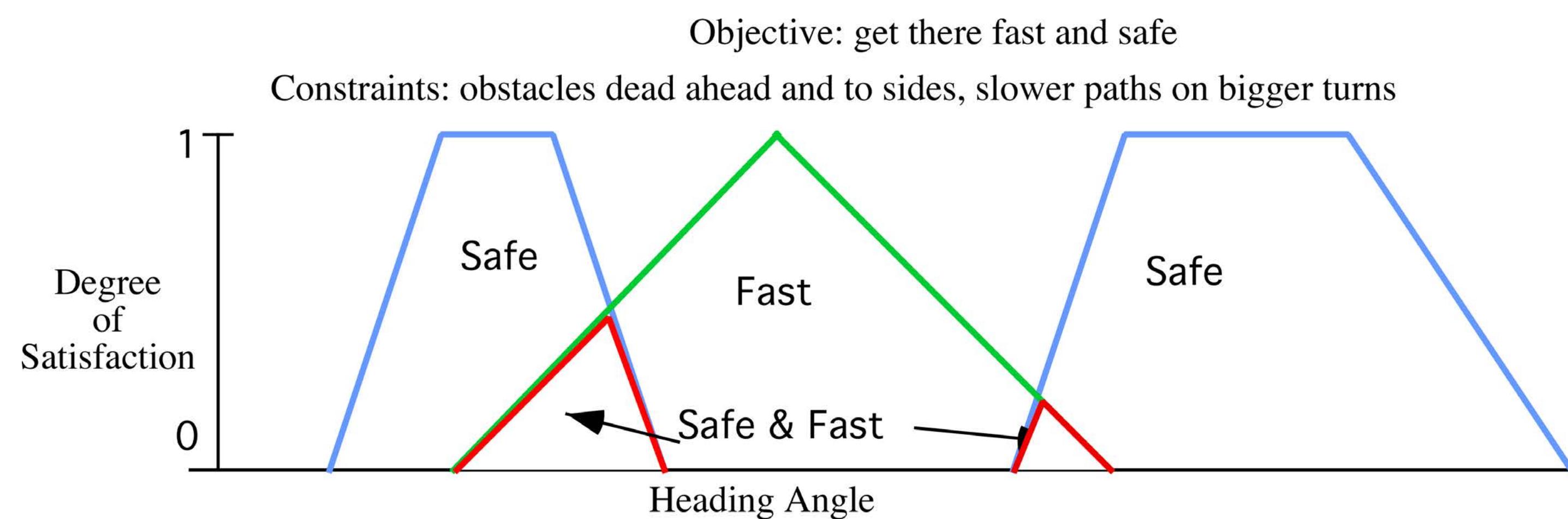
$$C(\vec{x}) = \{x_{1low} \leq x_1 \leq x_{1high}, \dots, x_{nlow} \leq x_n \leq x_{nhigh}\}$$

$$\max_{C(\vec{x})} O(\vec{x})$$

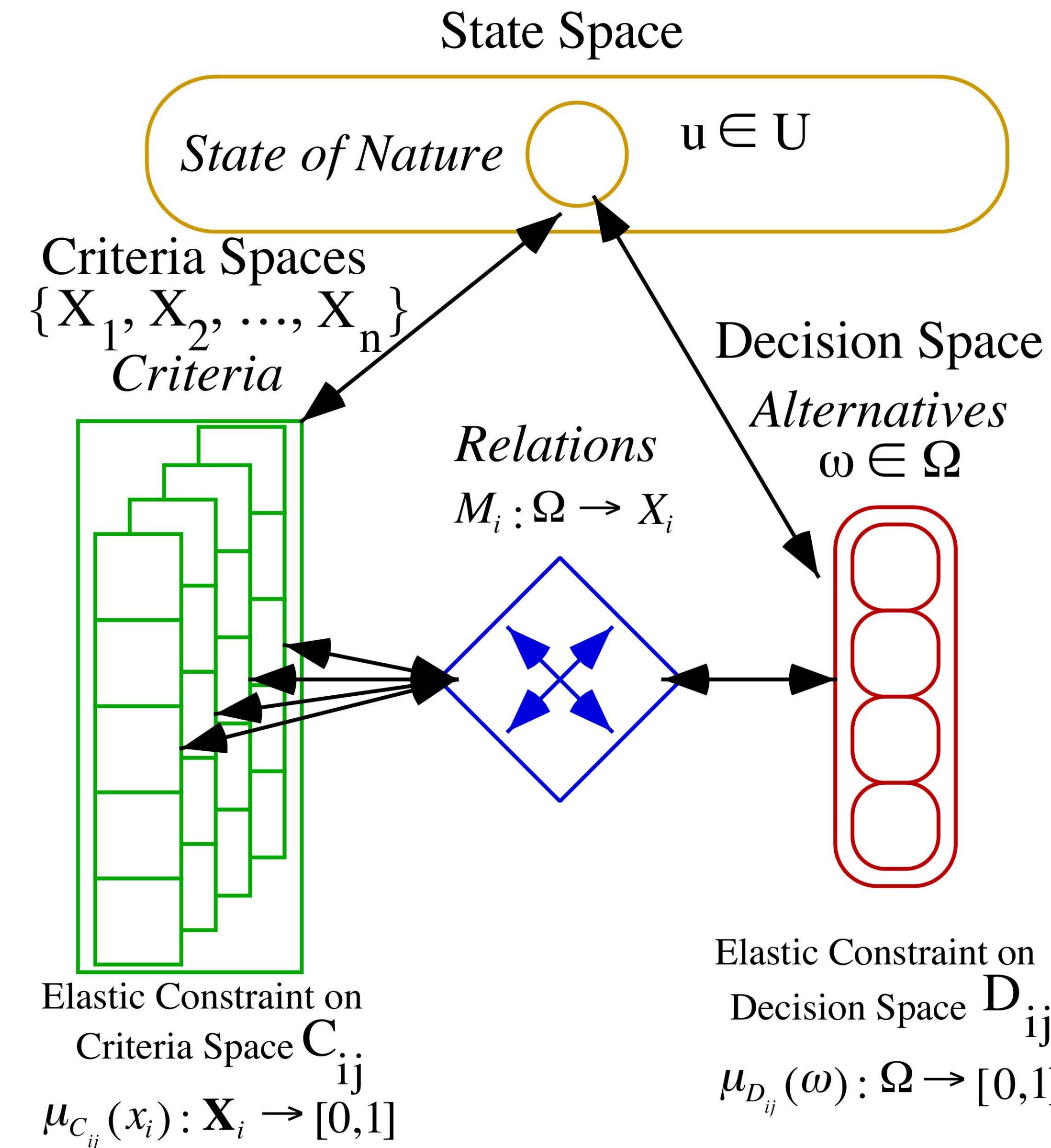
Symmetric

Both goals and constraints are expressed with elastic constraints.

Decision-making consists of finding the confluence of goals and constraints by aggregating the respective membership functions.



# SMEC



state of nature  $u \in U$  state space

decision alternative  $\omega \in \Omega$  decision space

set of criteria  $C$  defined on  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_m\}$  criteria spaces

elastic constraint  $C_{ij} = j^{th}$  constraint on  $i^{th}$  criteria space

membership function  $\mu_{C_{ij}}(x_i) : X_i \rightarrow [0,1]$

$M_i : \Omega \rightarrow X_i$  relation between decision space and  $i^{th}$  criteria space

$C_{ij}$  induces a constraint  $D_{ij}$  on  $\Omega$  through  $M$

If  $M_i \equiv m_i(\omega)$  s.t.  $x_i = m_i(\omega)$  Then

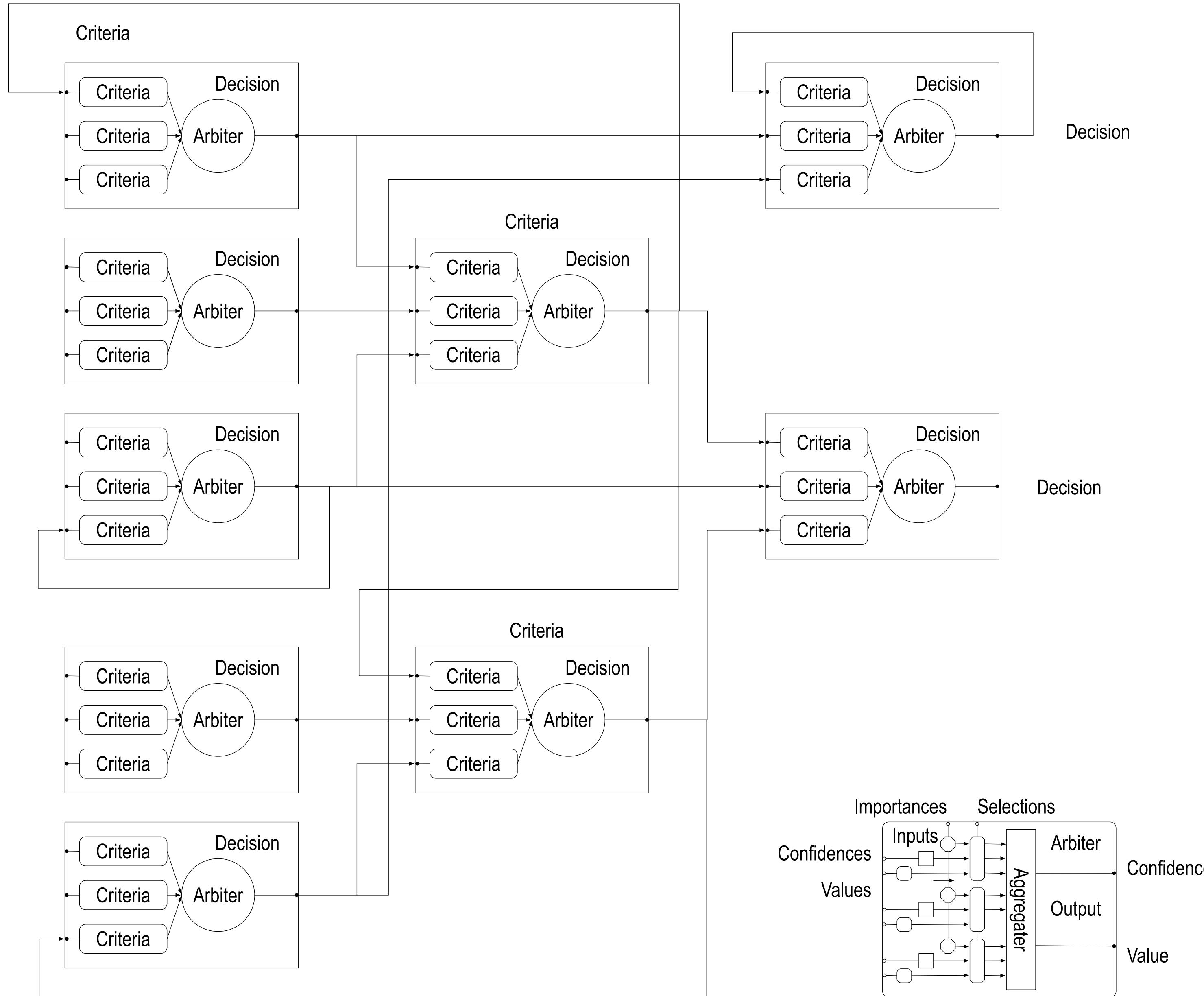
$\mu_{D_{ij}}(\omega) = \mu_{C_{ij}}(x_i) = \mu_{C_{ij}}(m_i(\omega)) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$

$\mu_{D_{ij}}(\omega) : \Omega \rightarrow [0,1] \quad \mu_{C_{ij}}(x_i) : X_i \rightarrow [0,1]$

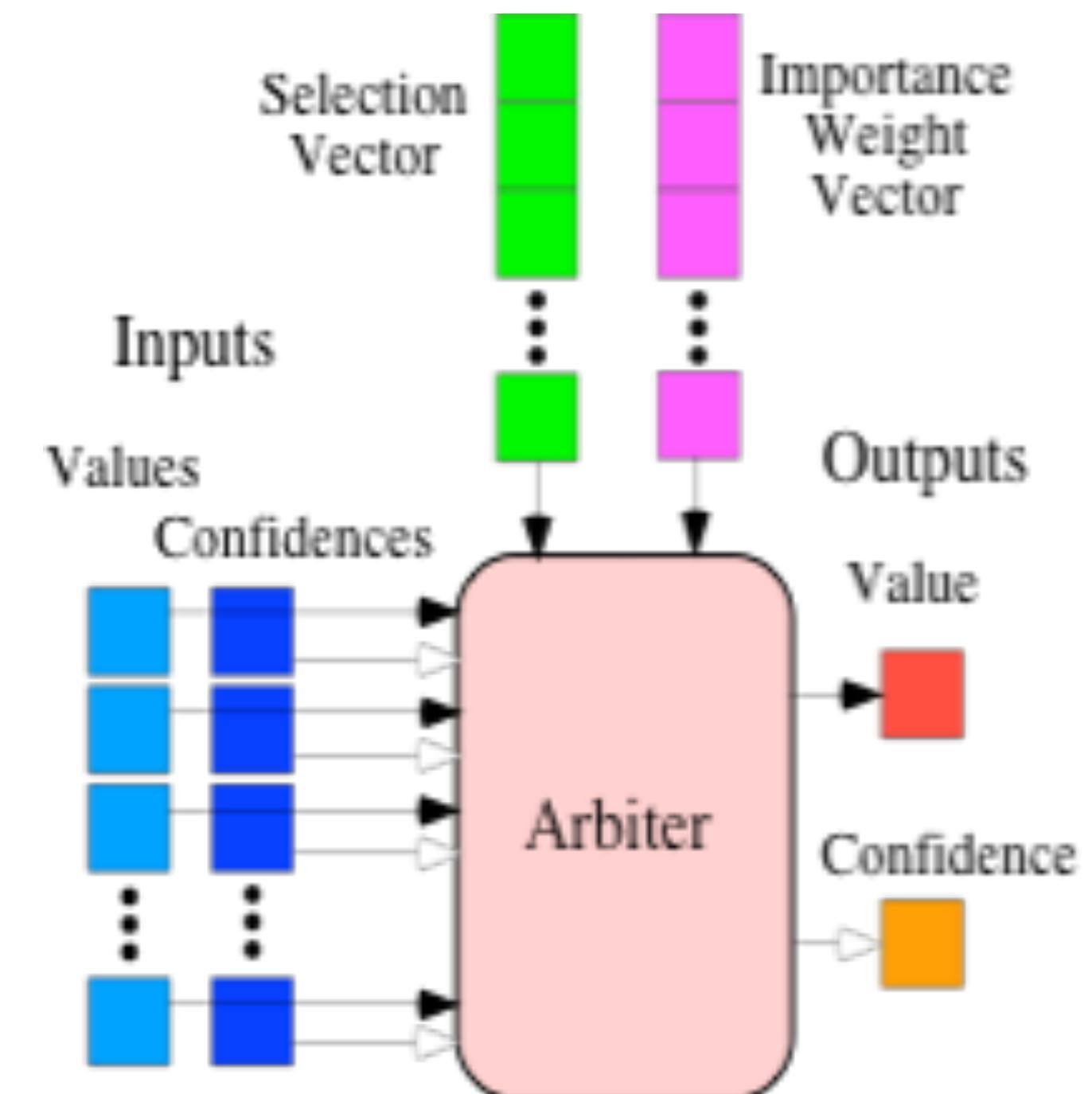
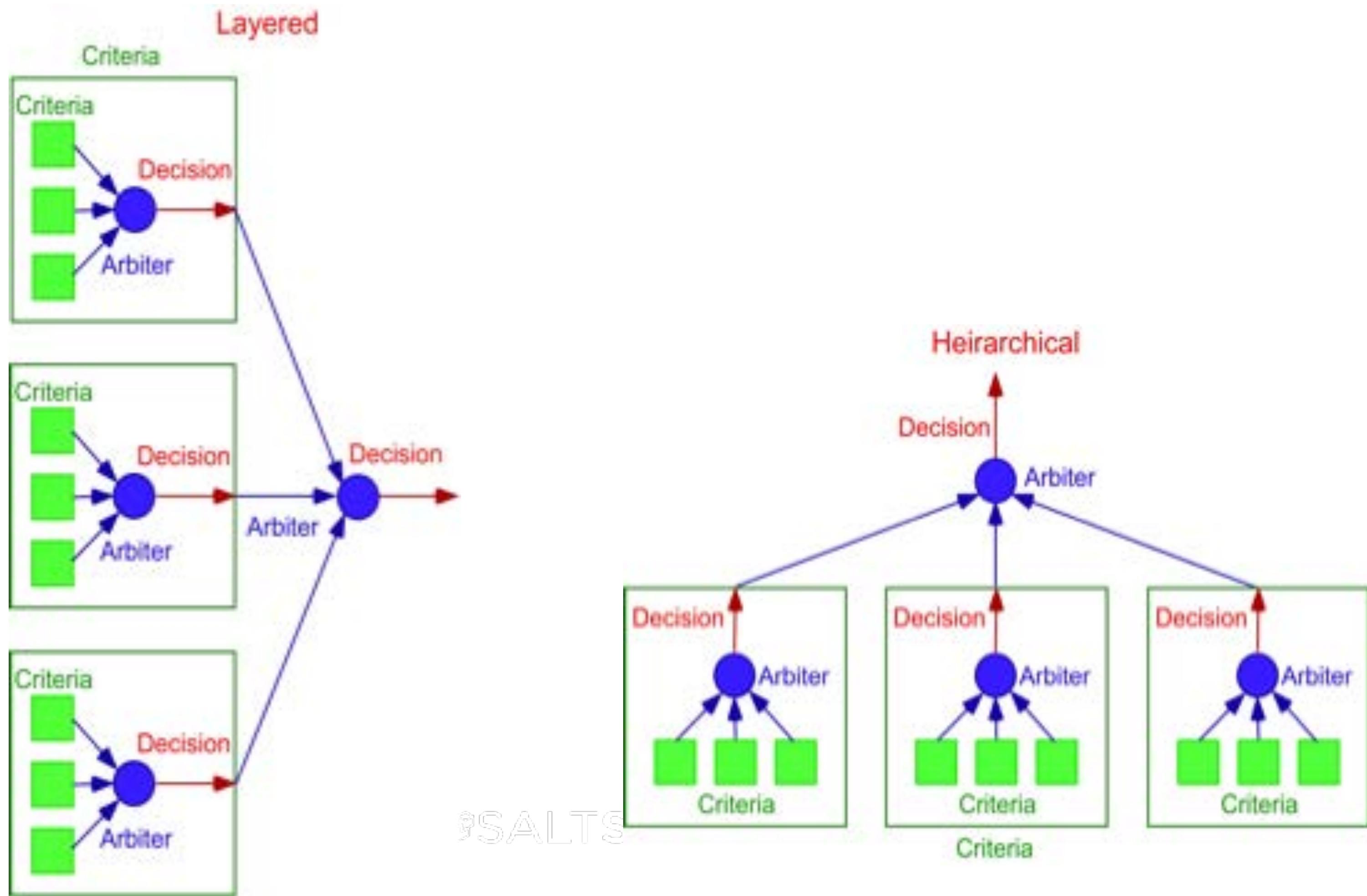
Final decision by aggregating constraints

$\mu_D(\omega) = \text{Agg}(\mu_{D_{11}}(\omega), \mu_{D_{12}}(\omega), \dots, \mu_{D_{21}}(\omega), \dots, \mu_{D_{mn}}(\omega))$

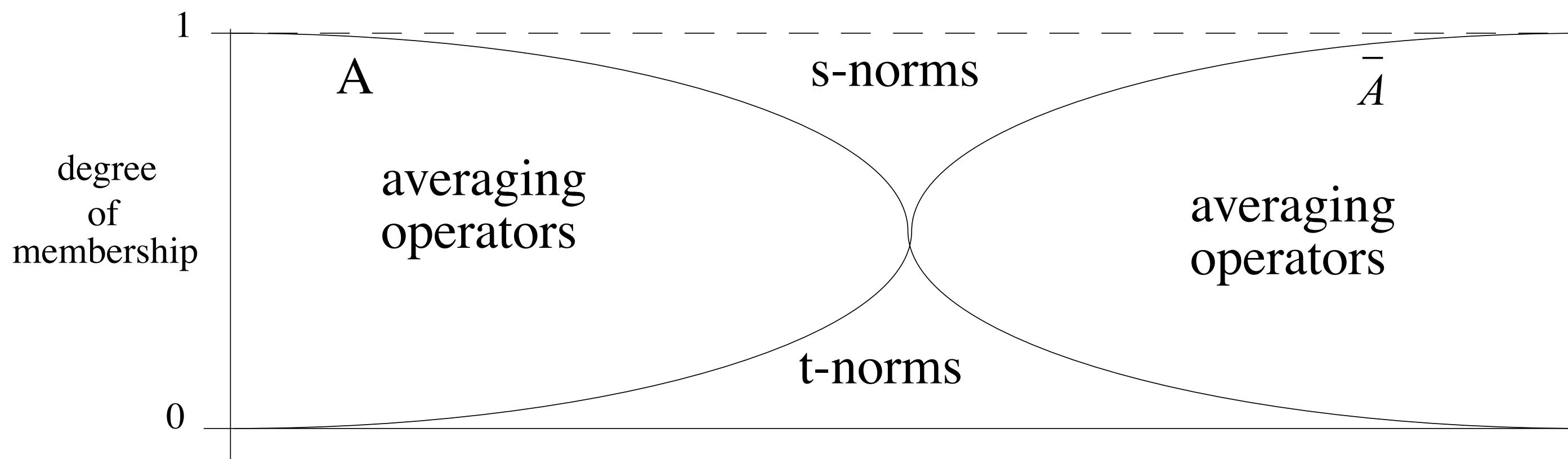
# Symmetry Enables Networks of Elastic Constraints



# Elastic Constraint Network Building Blocks

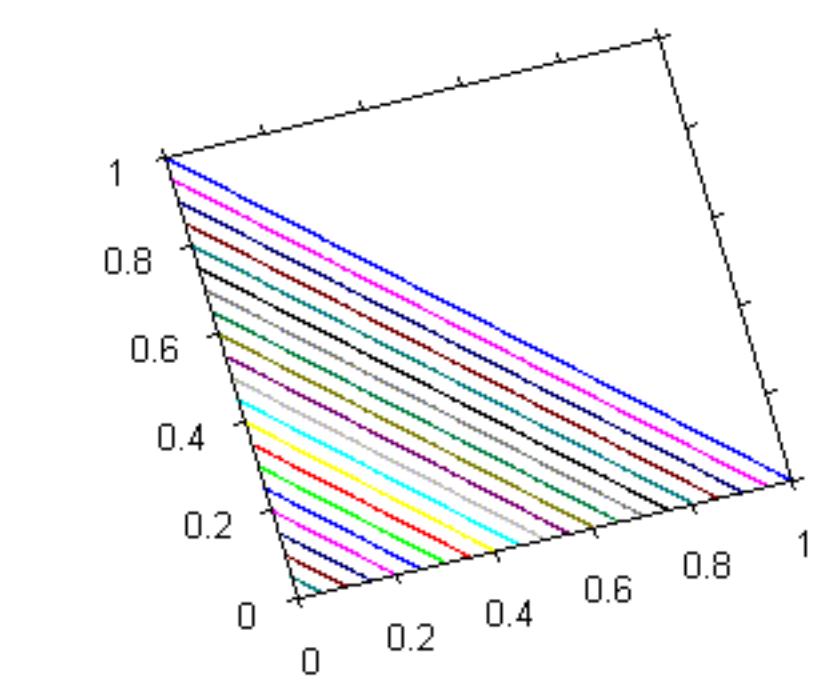
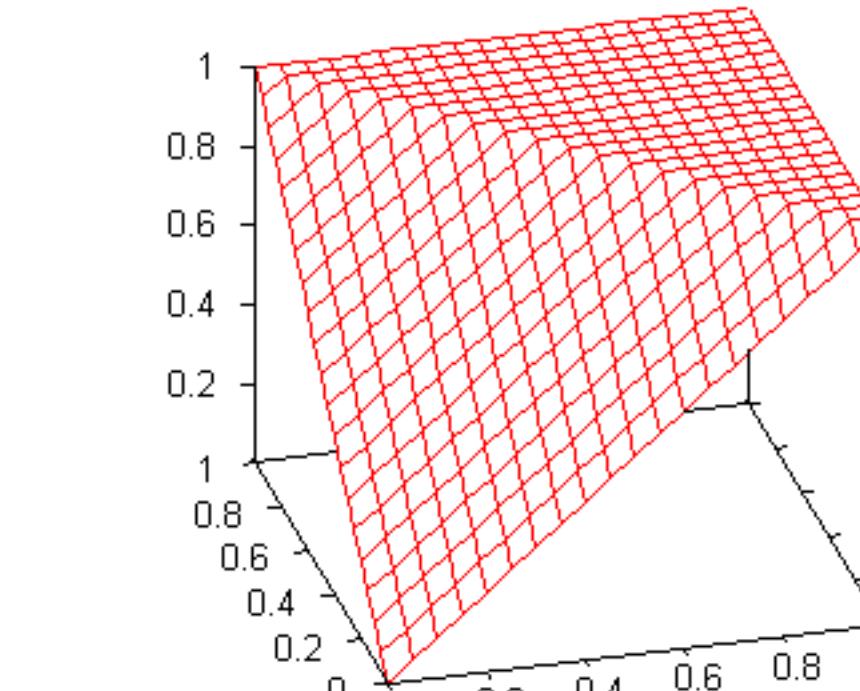
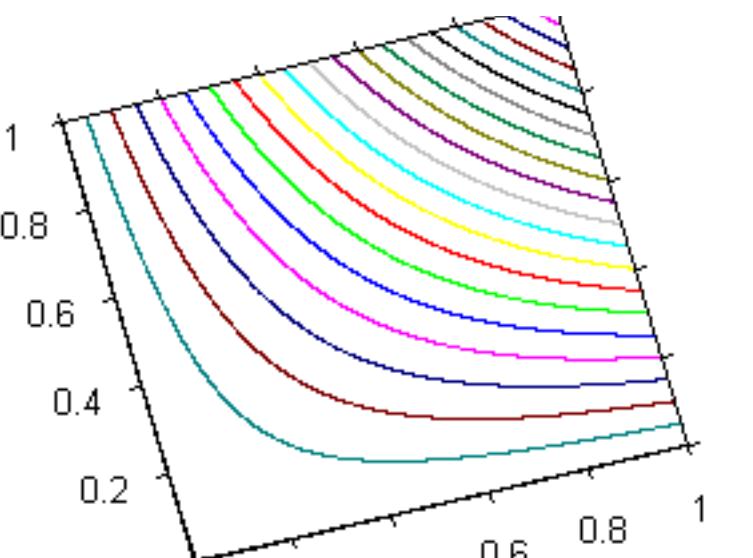
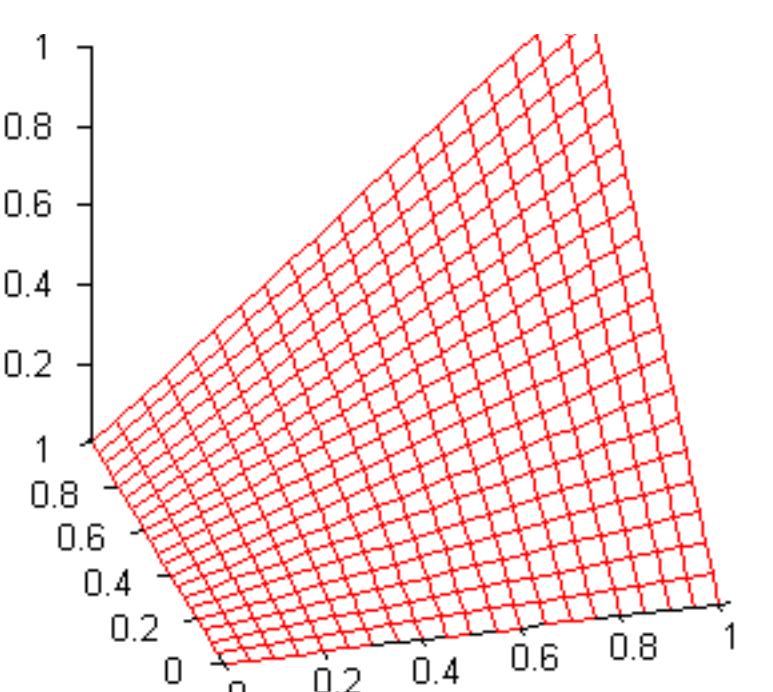
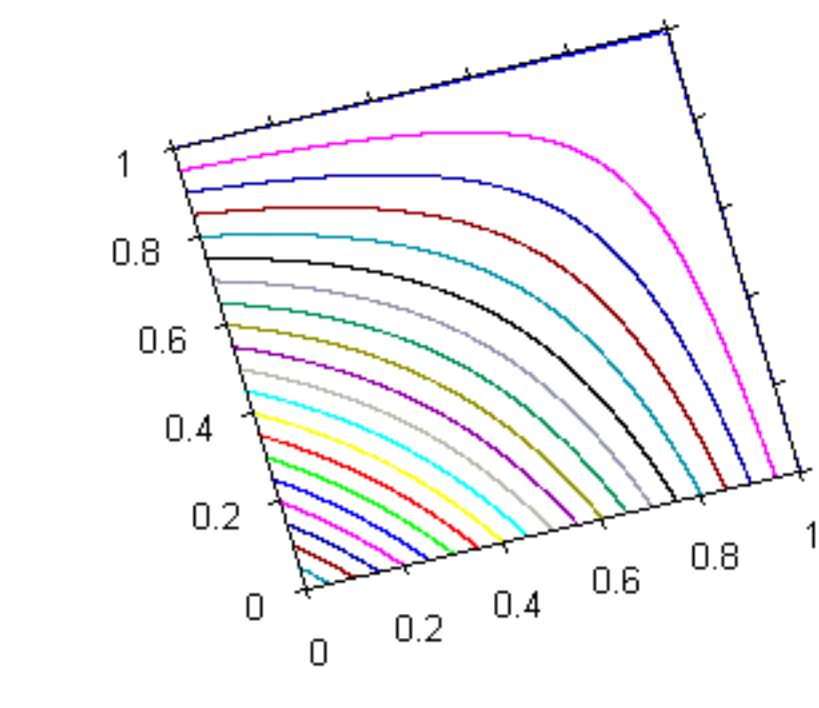
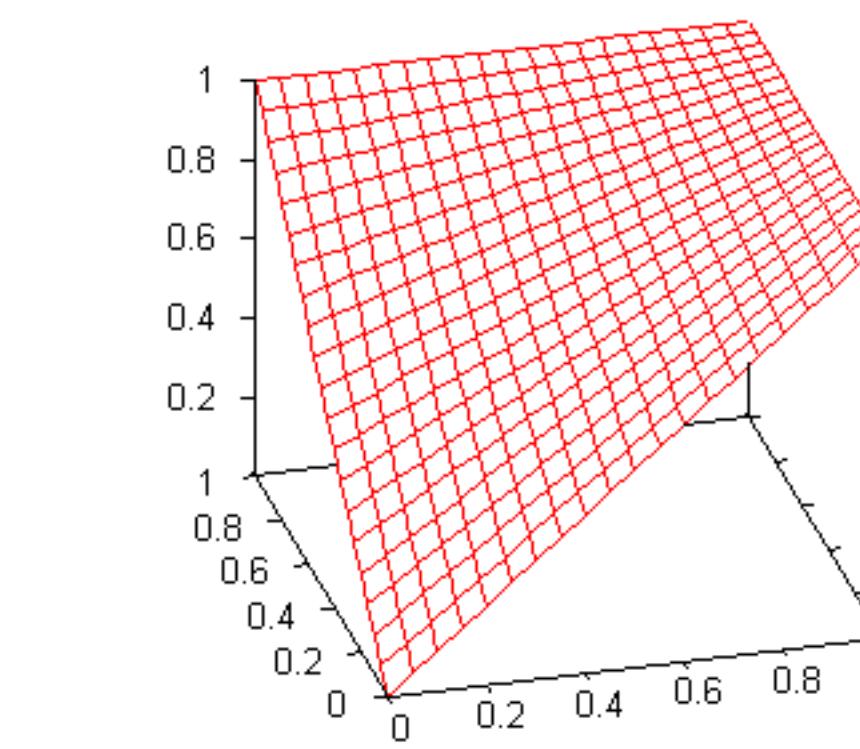
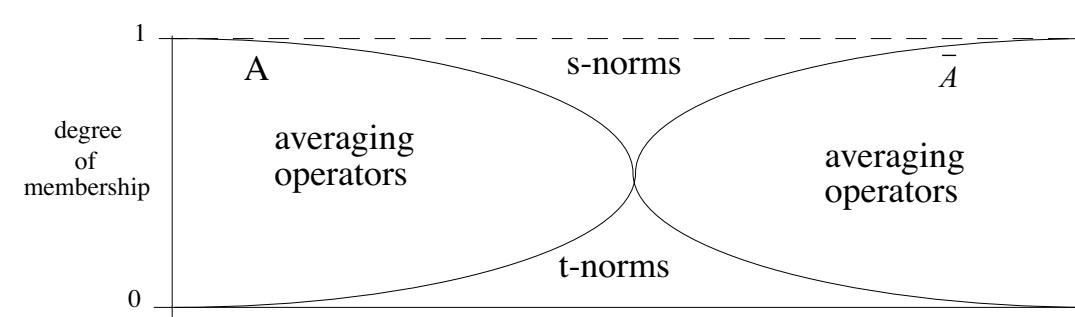
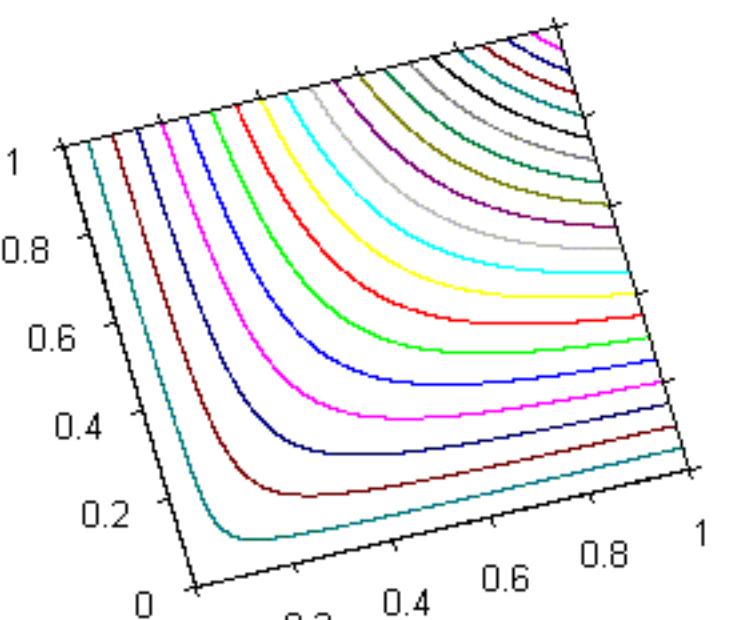
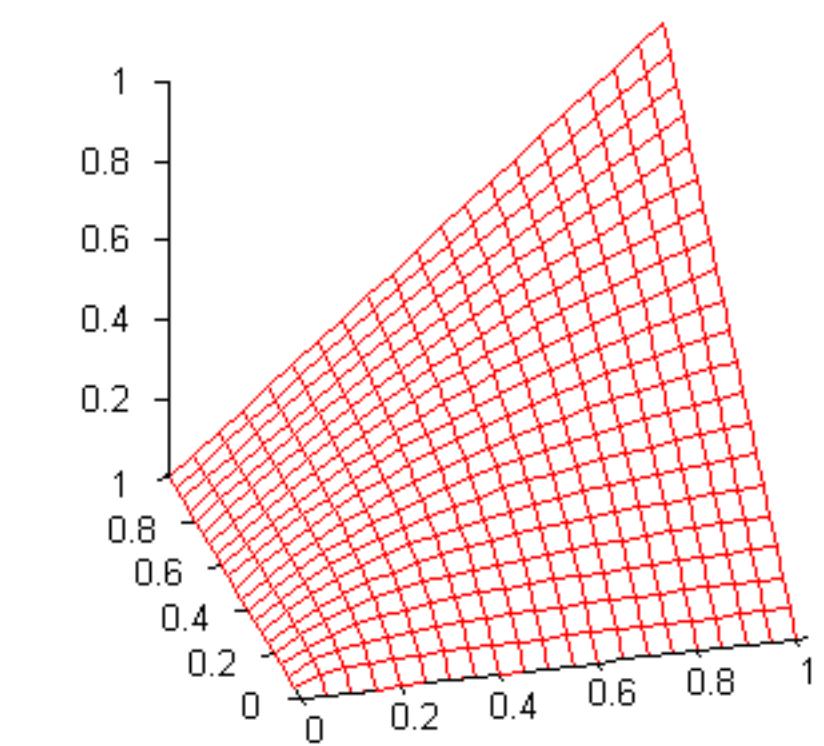
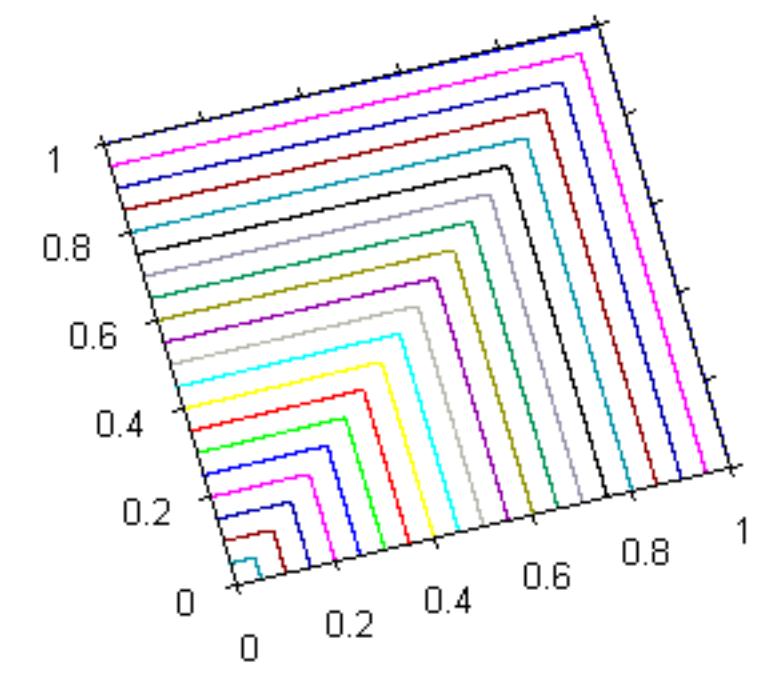
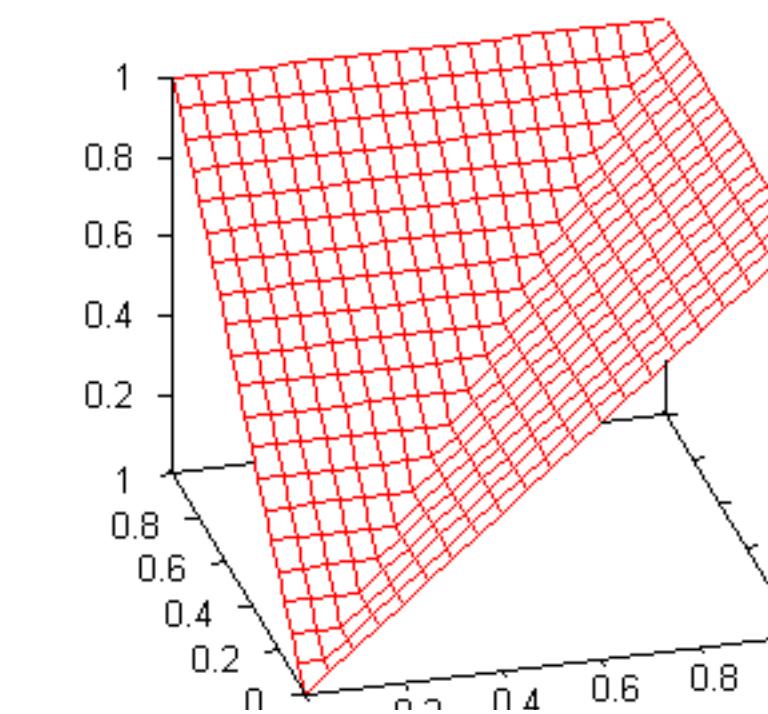
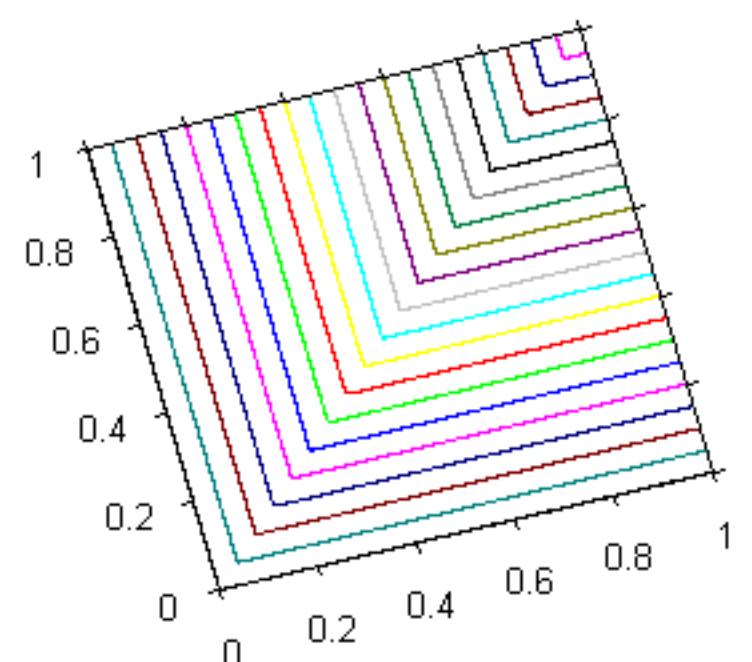
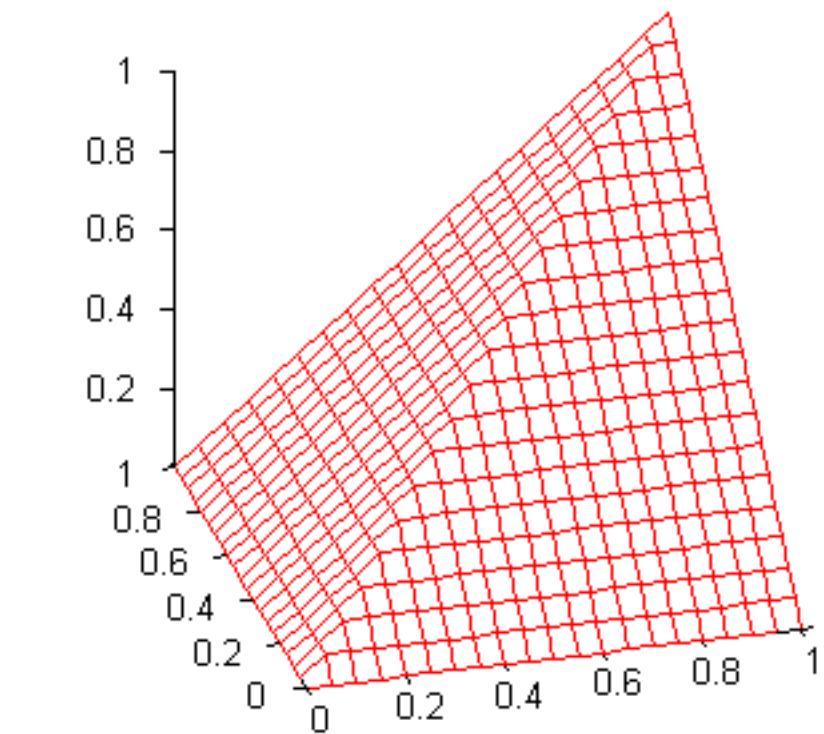


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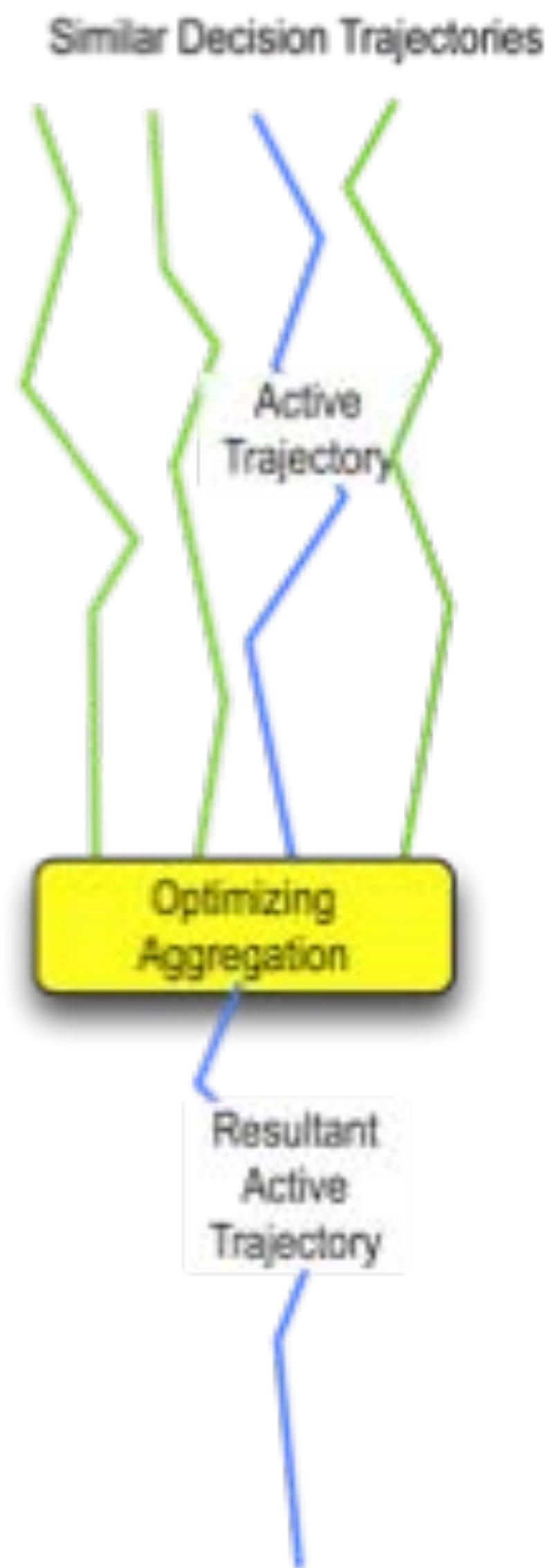
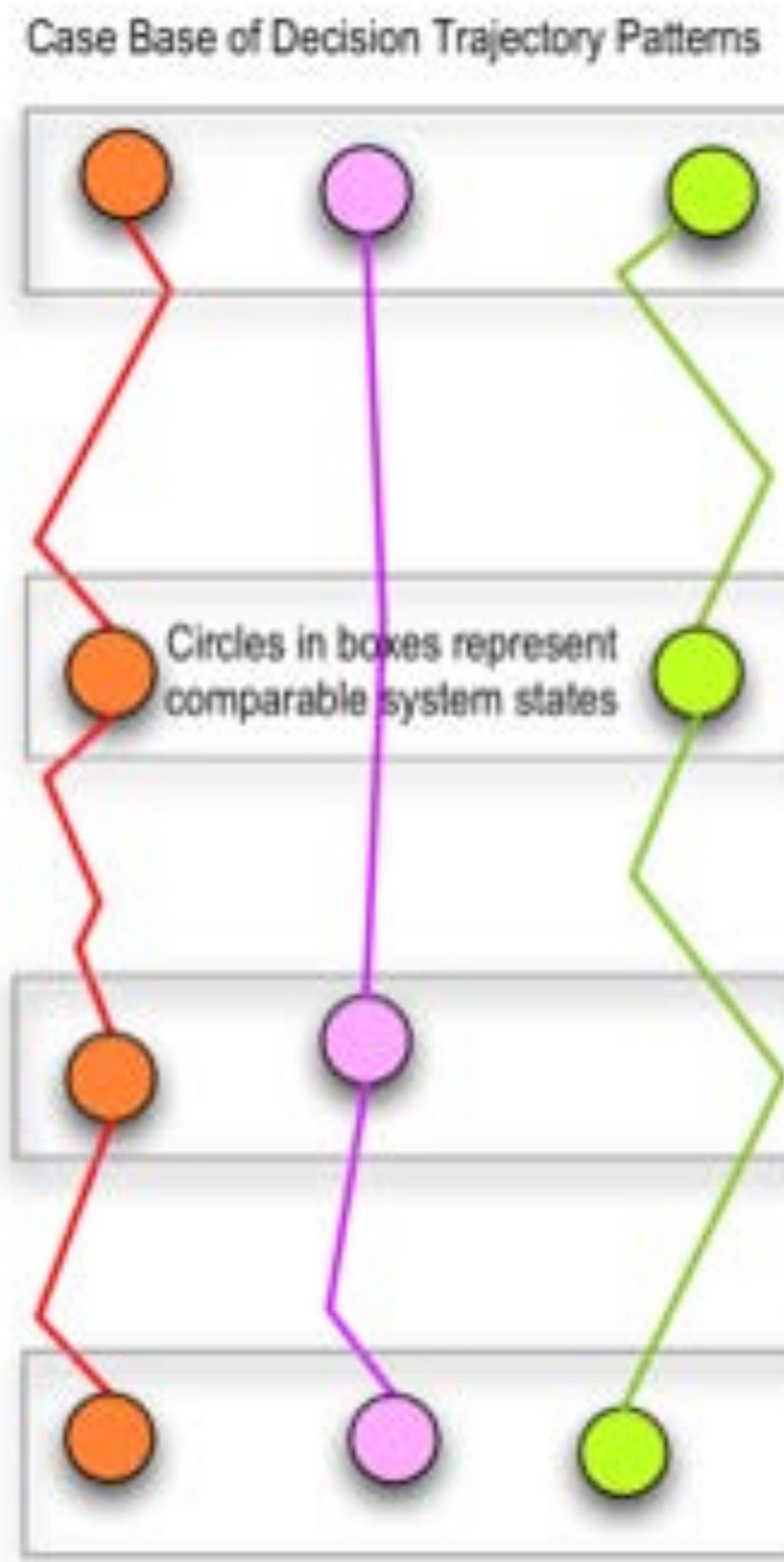
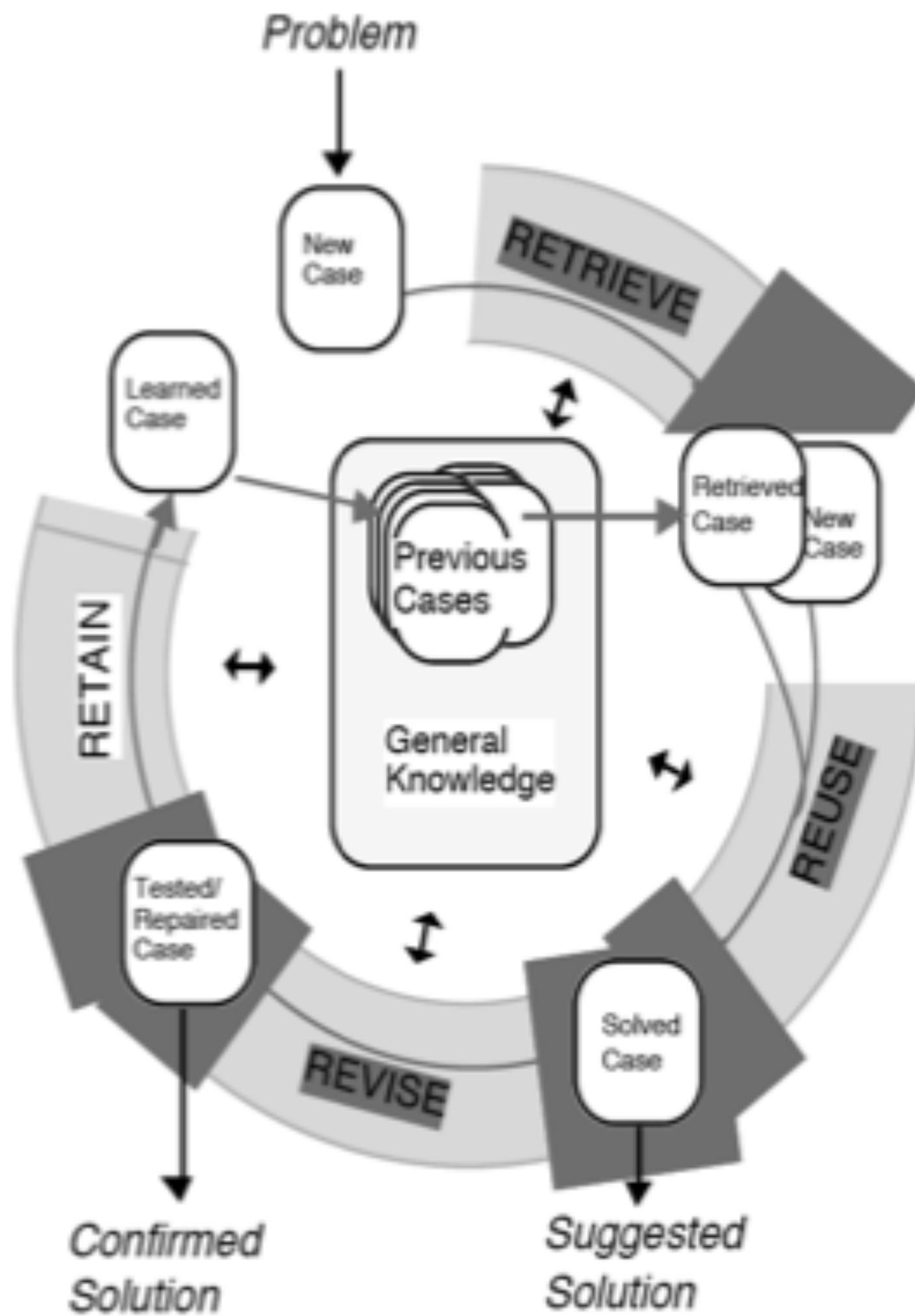
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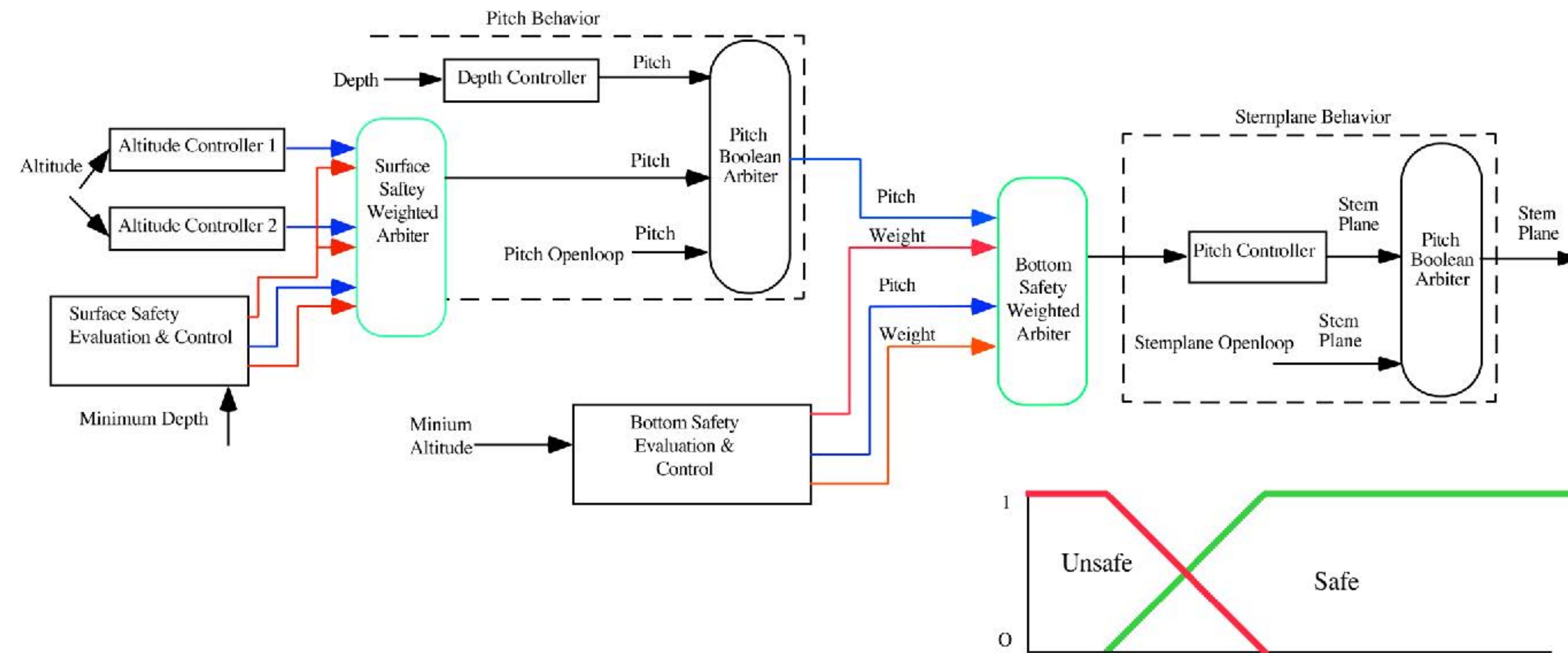
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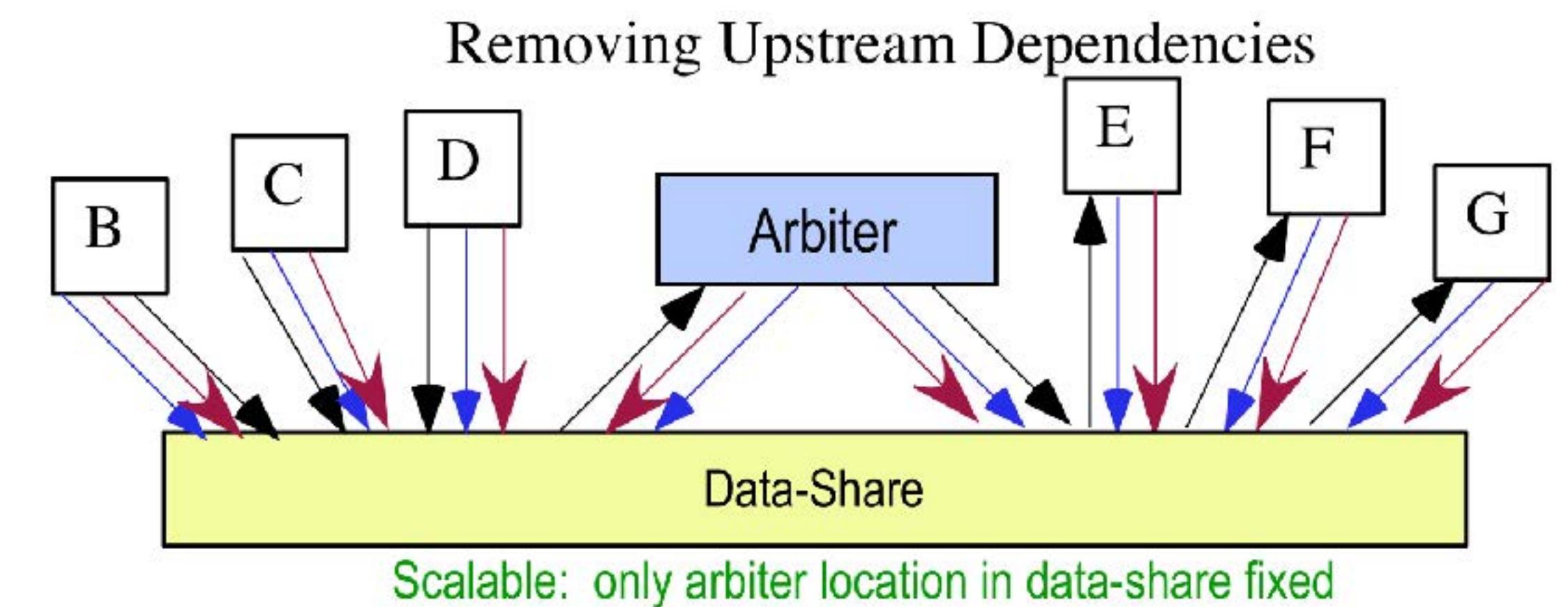
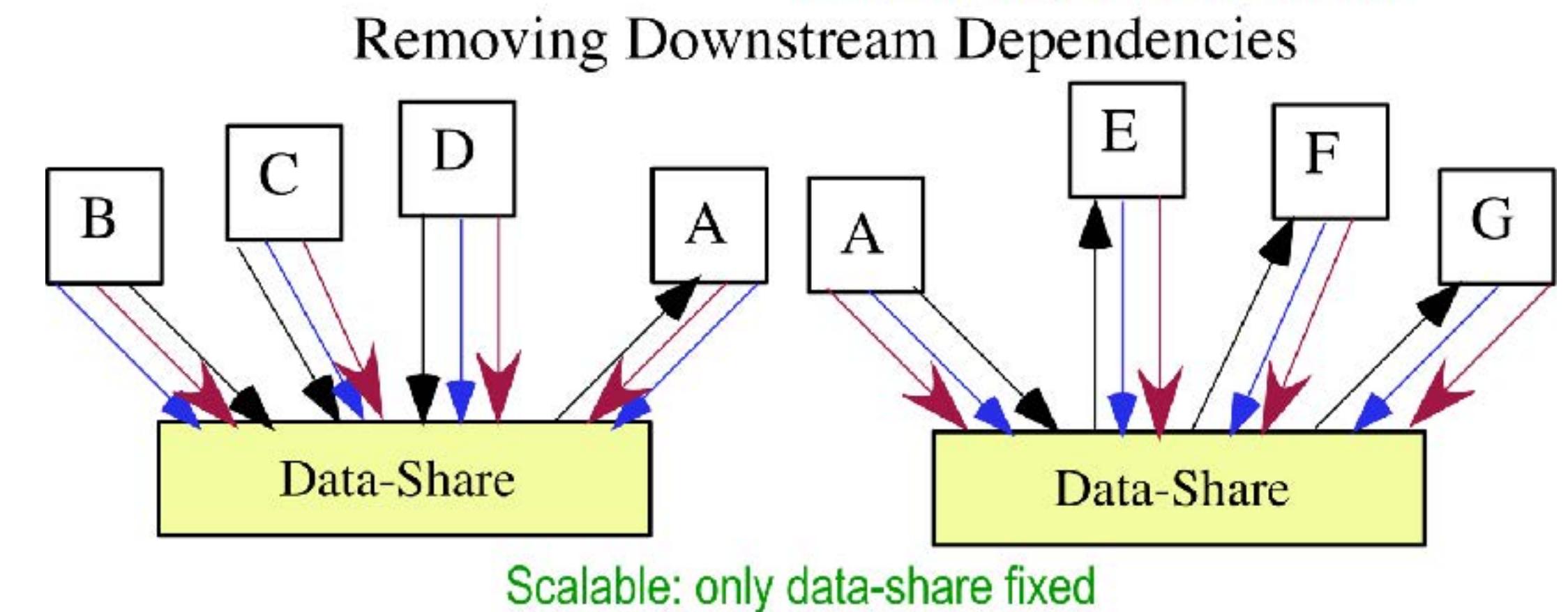
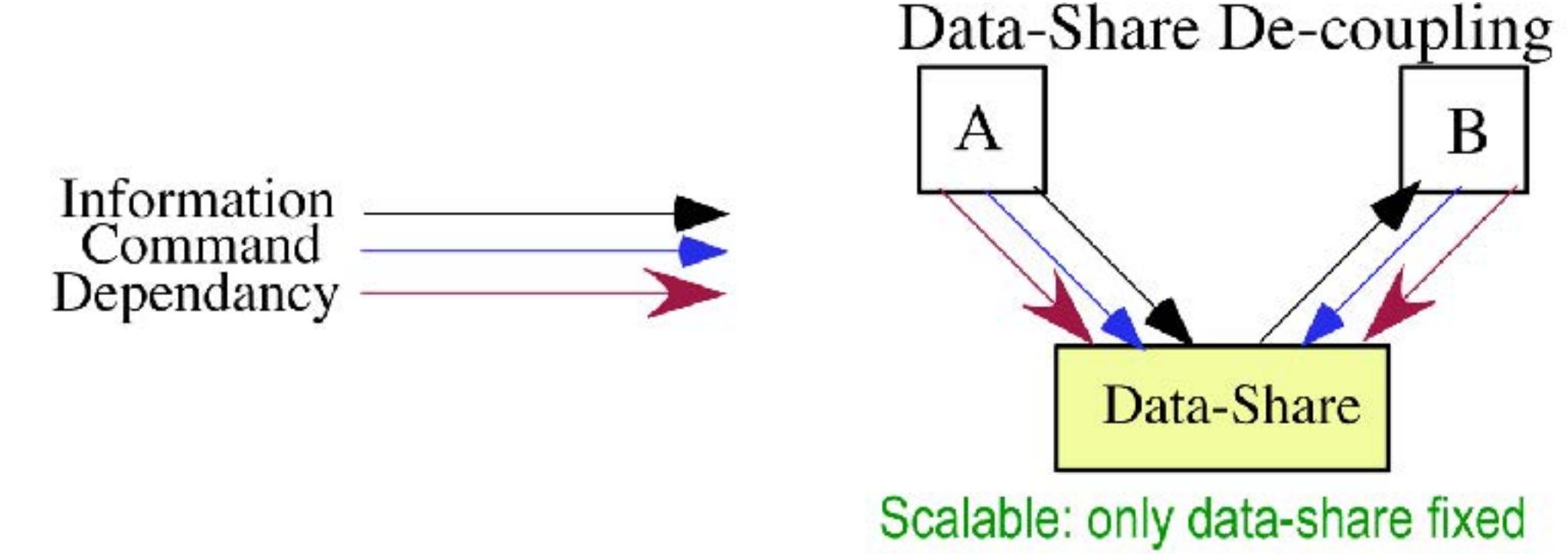
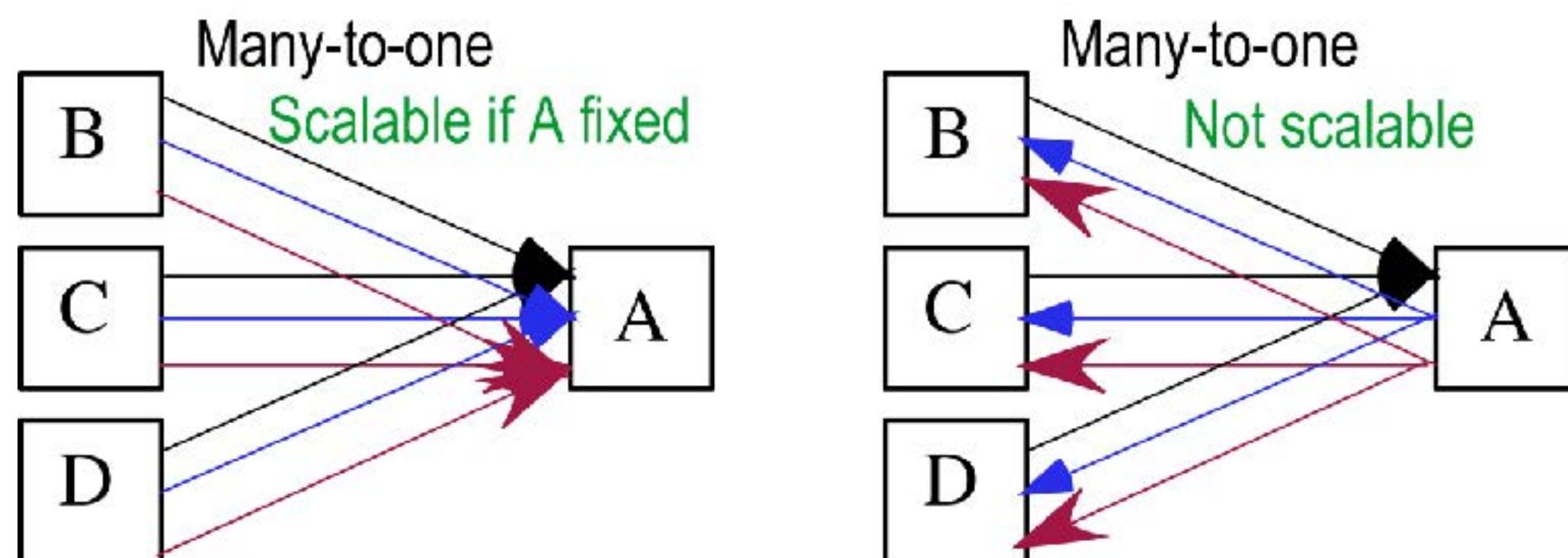
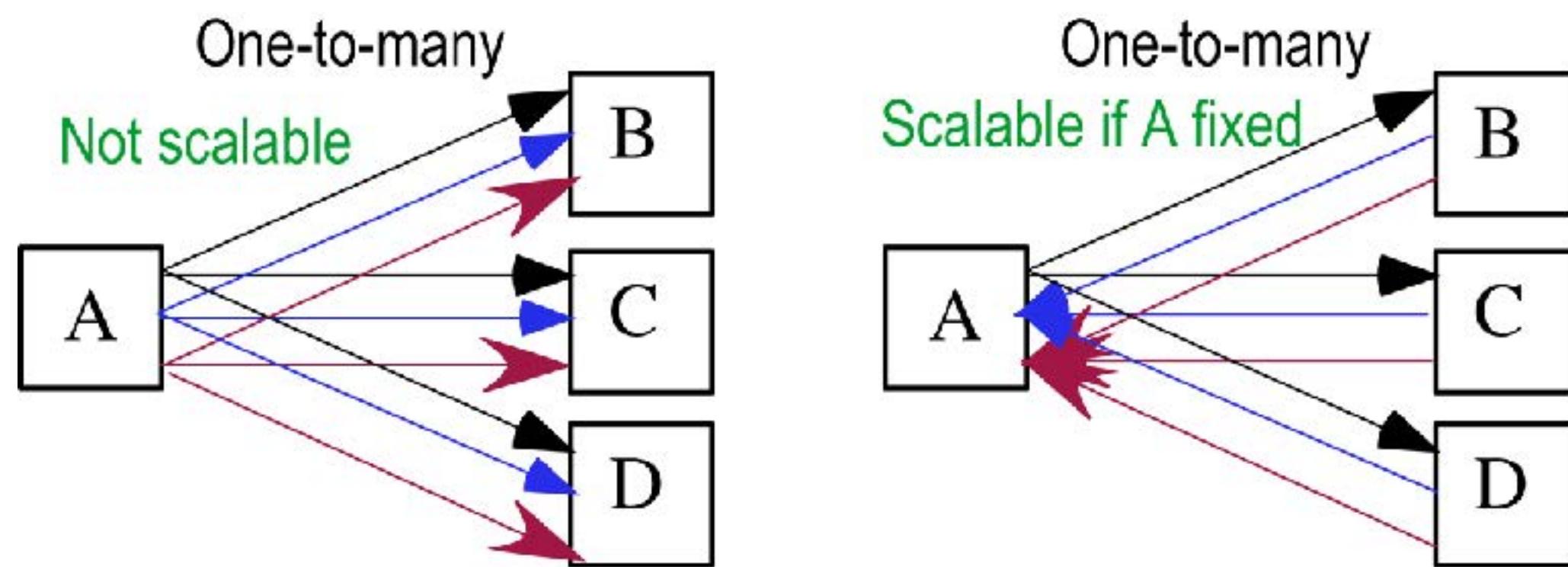
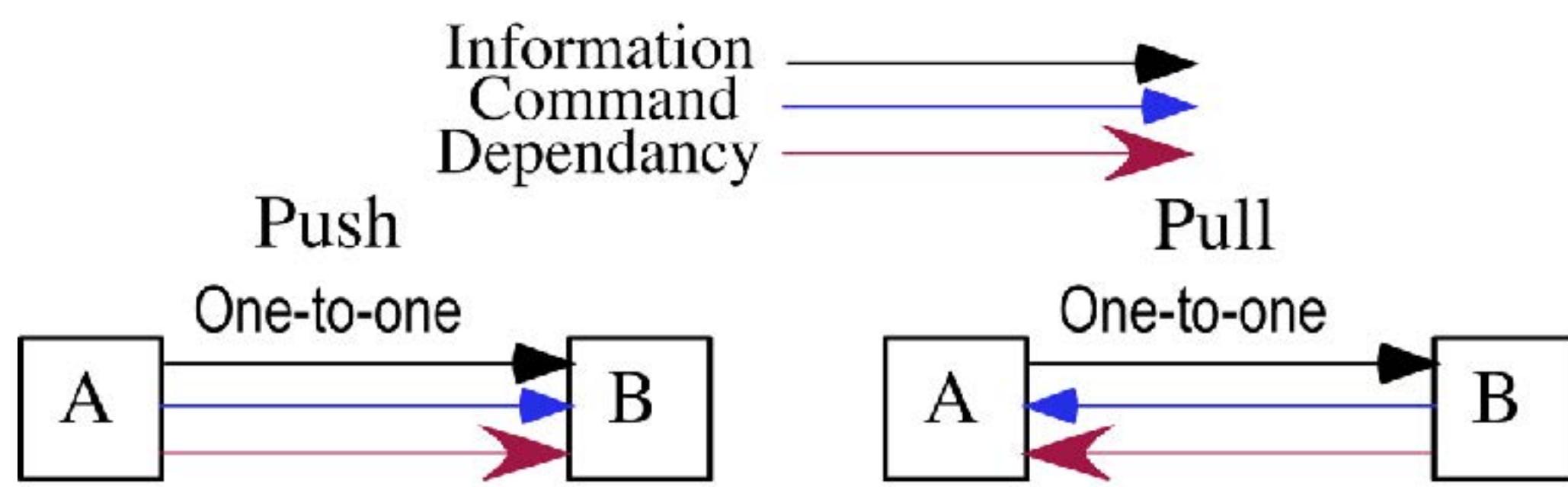


# Decision Trajectory Based Optimization

Predictive discrete event simulation with reinforcement learning to encode high level reasoning, strategy and tactics.







# Complexity Management

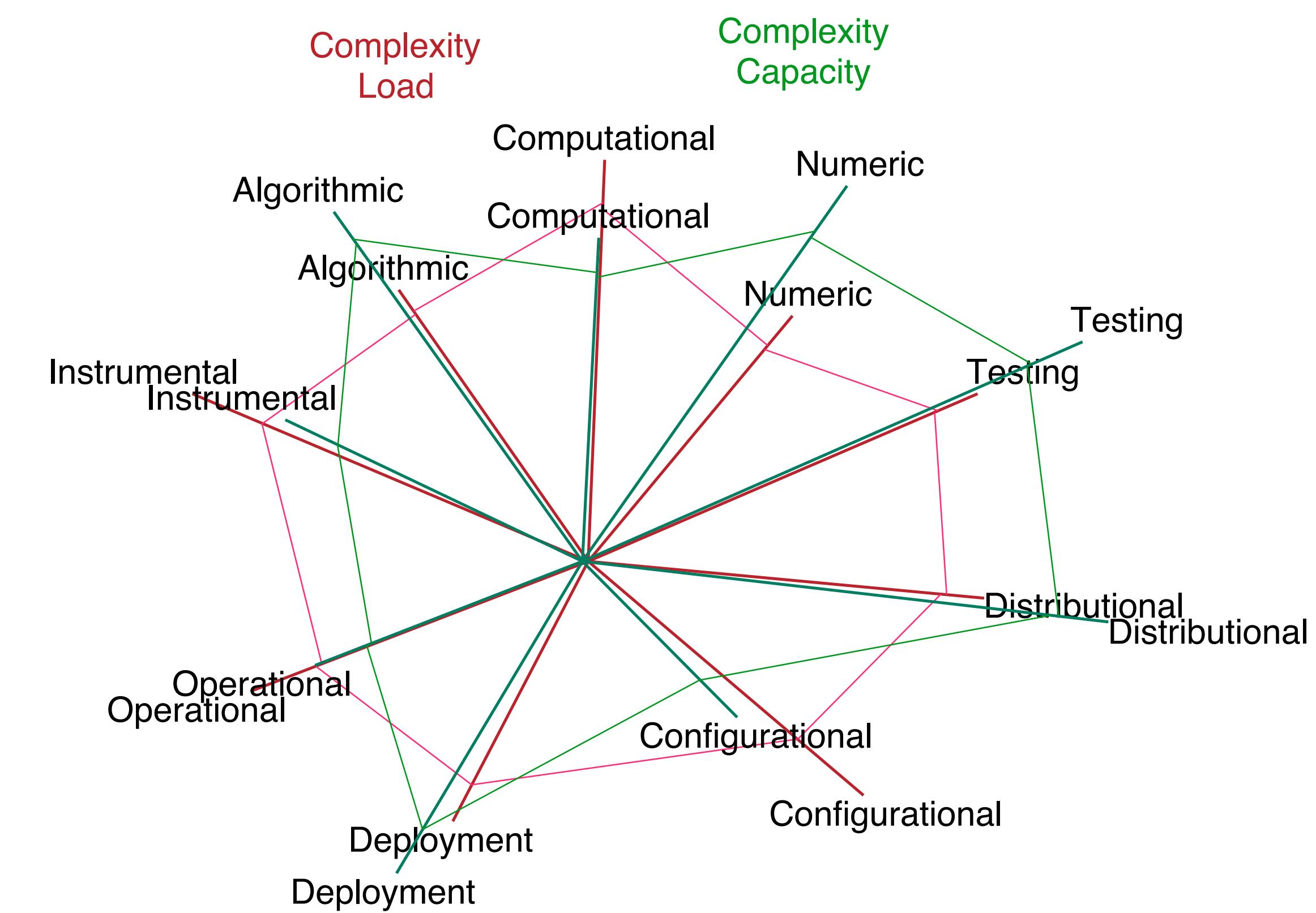
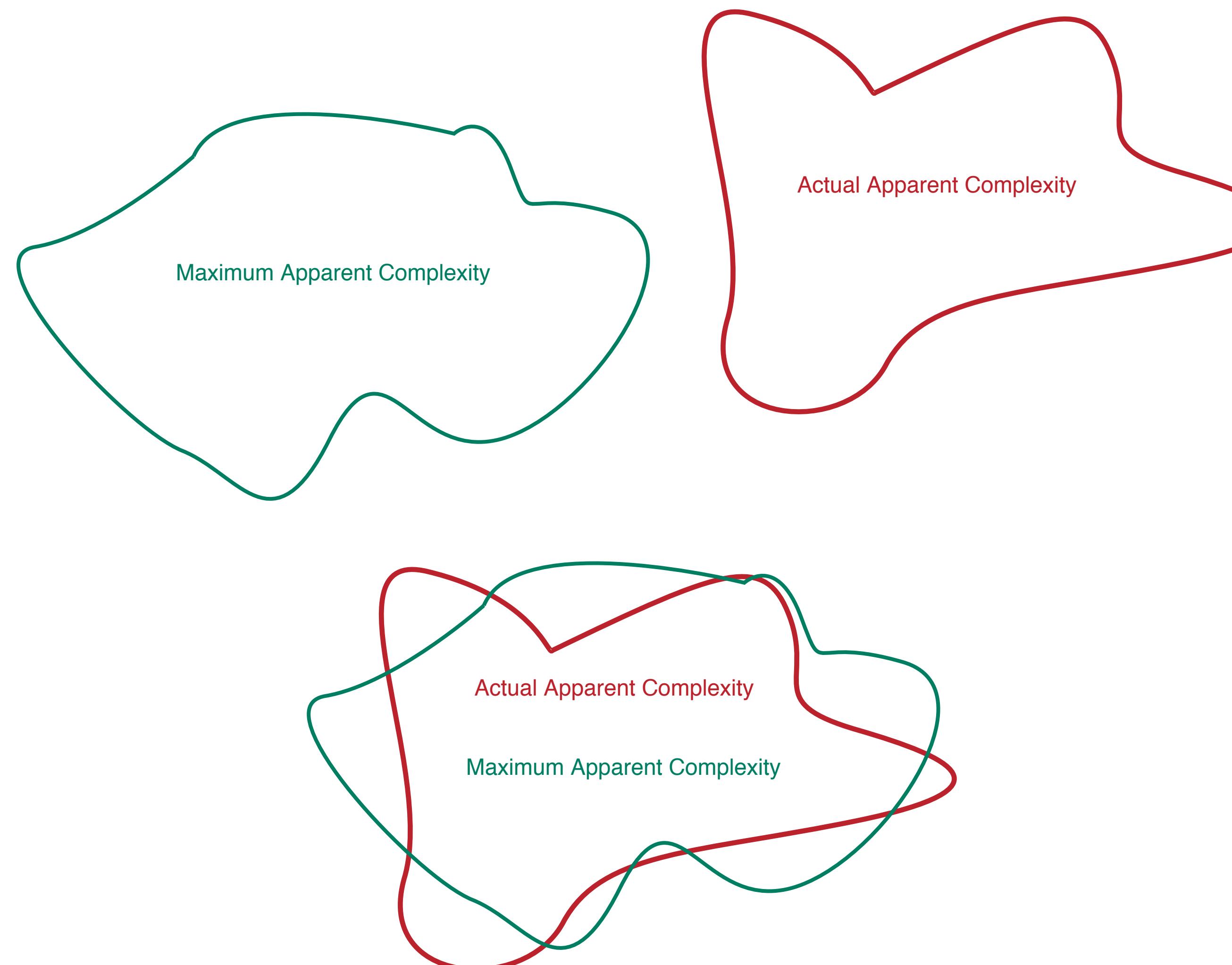
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**Apparent Complexity** = number of **dependencies** that programmers must manage  
in order to make meaningful enhancements to software functionality

**Perceived Risk** = peril the programmer faces when attempting to add  
meaningful enhancements to software functionality.

A given architecture/development team has a given **maximal apparent complexity capacity**.

*When the **actual** apparent complexity starts to reach the **maximal capacity**, development becomes **painful**.*

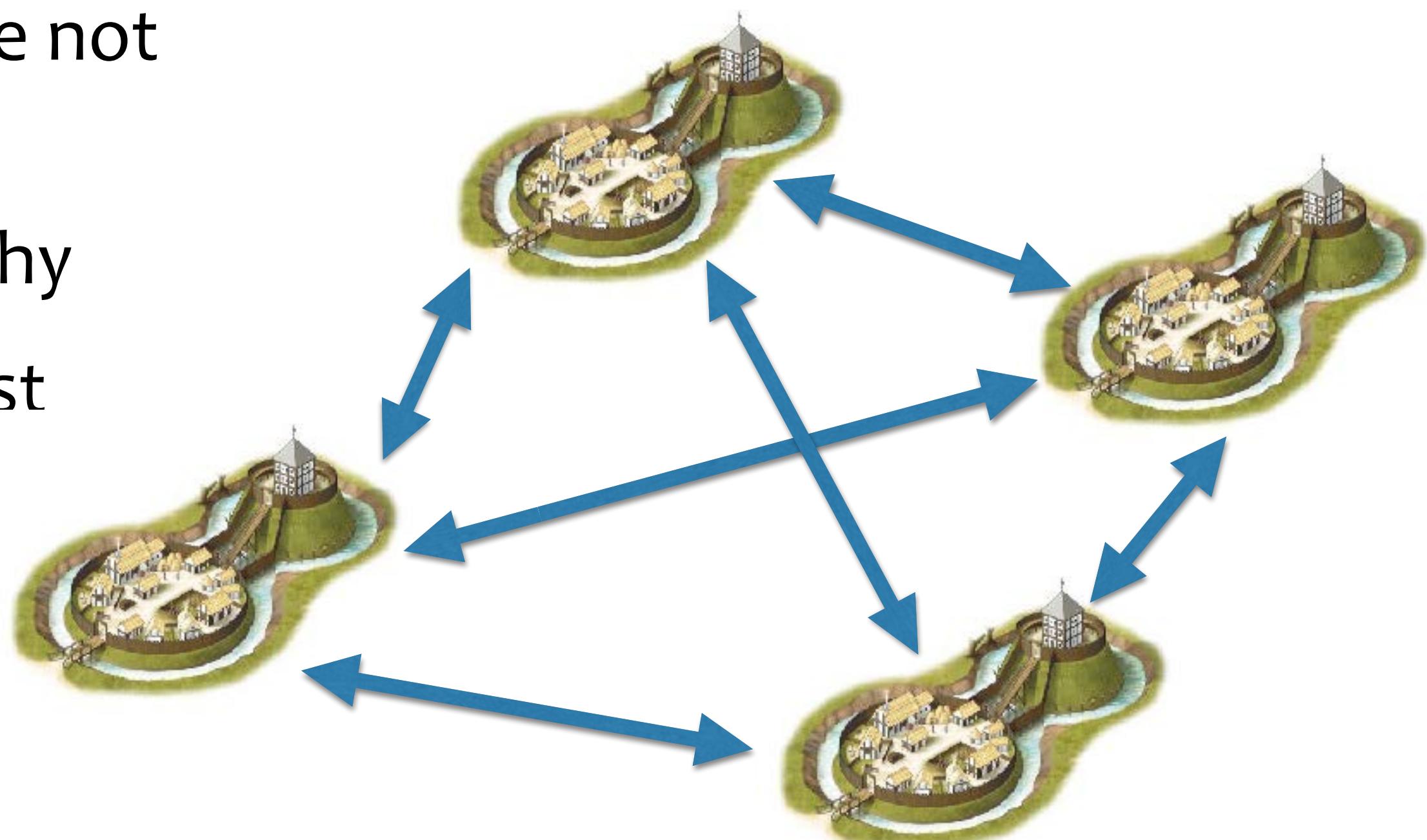


# Diffuse Trust

- **Cellular** distributed topology.  
“Think clandestine spy ring or resistance organization”
- Defeating each node (cell, element) requires an **independent** exploit.
  - No single point of failure. “Universal root privileges”
  - No common mode failures. “Exploit to attain root privileges”
- As long as the majority or super majority of nodes are not exploited the system is **trustworthy**.
- **Cooperation** between peers vs. authoritarian hierarchy
- **Distributed consensus** is a way to achieve diffuse trust



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# Why Distributed Consensus

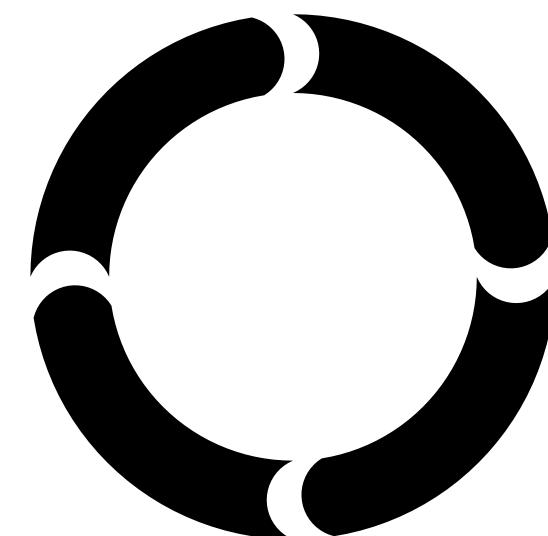
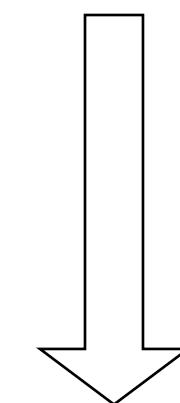
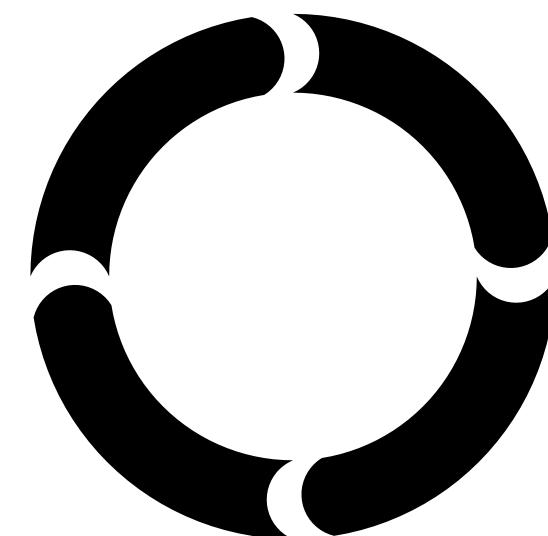
- Enables diffuse trust systems using de-centralized computing infrastructure
- Allows secure infrastructure outside a firewall by distributing the attack surface.
- Enables the replacement of strongly controlled computing infrastructure with weakly controlled computing infrastructure that may be more secure.
- Enables computation in the “*fog*” vs computation in the “*cloud*”.
- Enables new disruptive business models

# Distributed Consensus Applications

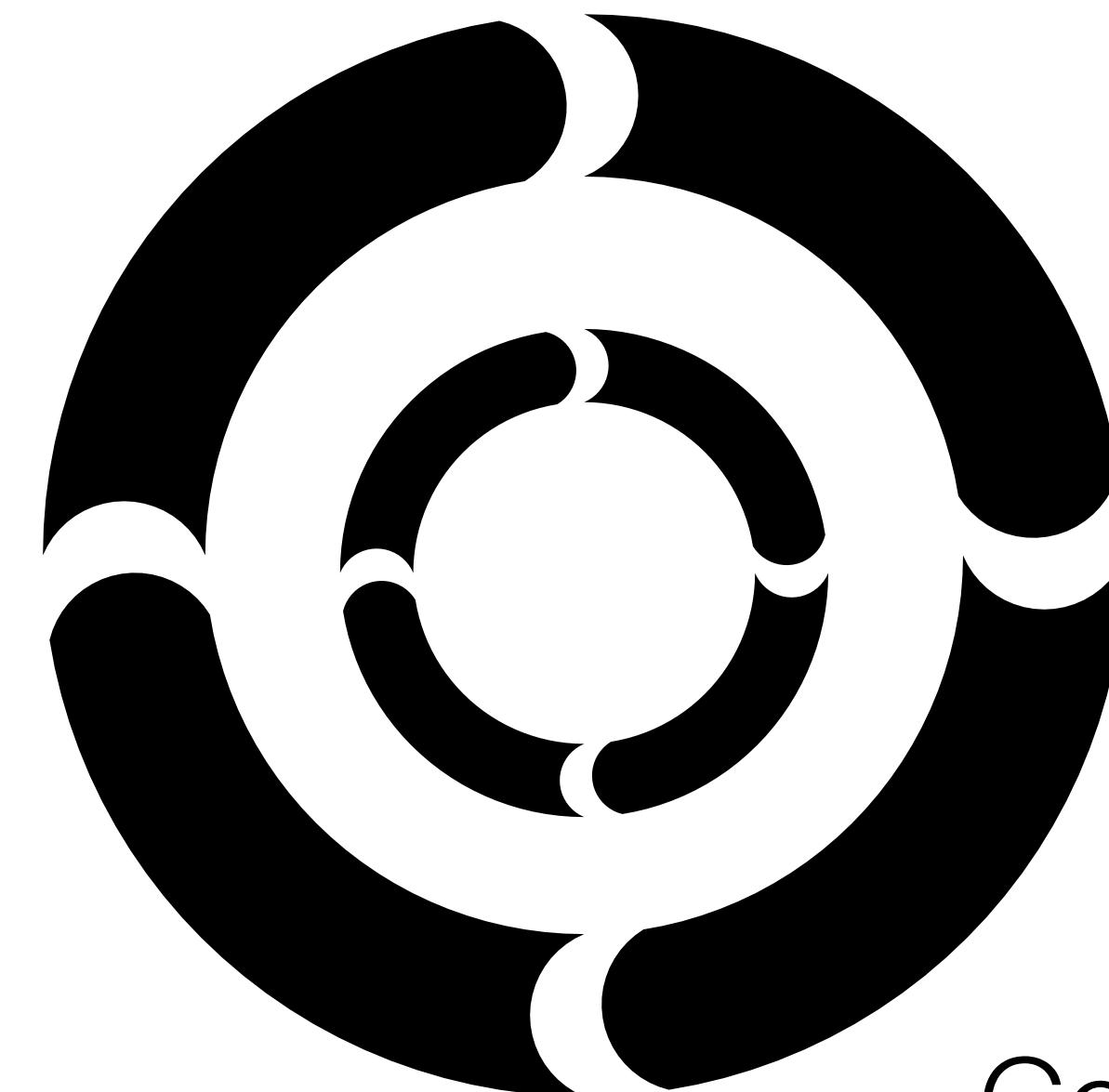
- Settlement, and other FinTech
- Exchanges
- IoT
- Neighborhood computing
- Open Platforms
- Smart Contracts
- Distributed AI

Real persistently automated systems can have complex feedback loop topologies

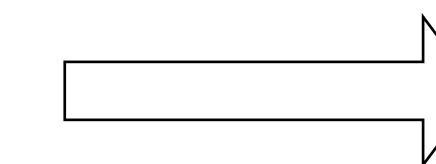
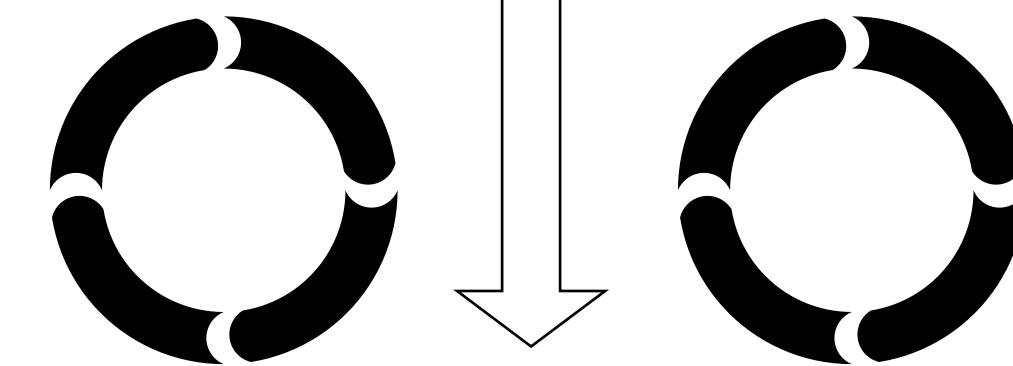
Sequenced loops



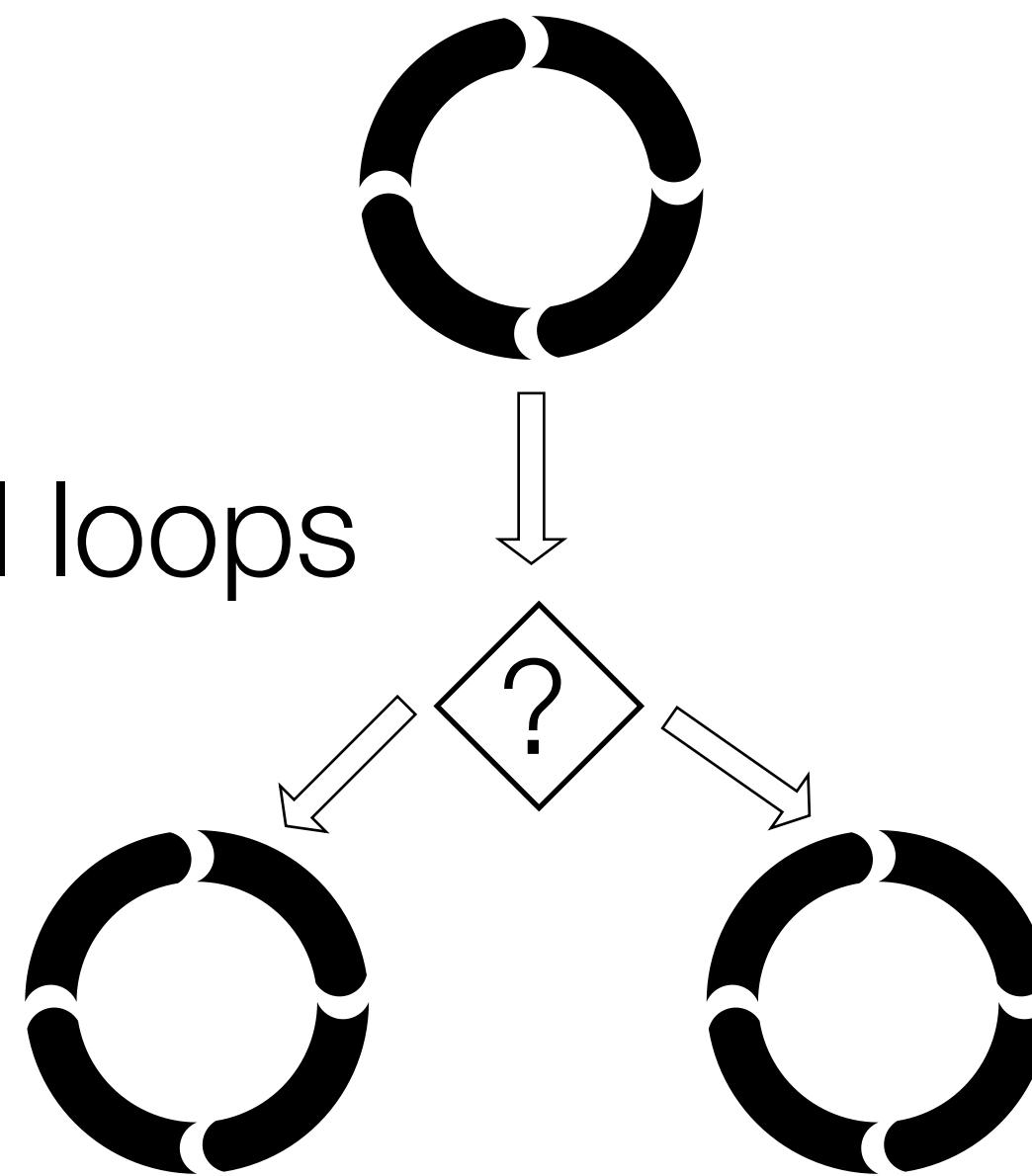
Loops within loops



Concurrent loops



Conditional loops



# What Is Reputation

Contextual Behavior Based Predictor of Future Behavior

Measurement

Scoring, Rating and Ranking

Static vs Dynamic

Feedback effects

# **What Is Self-Sovereign Data**

User Controlled and Managed

Portable Identifiers & Attributes

Decentralized (not in a silo)