

Take Everything From Me, But Leave Me The Comprehension

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It is in this connection worth noticing
that in the Comm. ACM the papers
on data bases [...] are of markedly lower
linguistic quality than the others.

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The point is that the way in which the database management experts tackle the problems seems to be so grossly inadequate. They seem to form an inbred crowd with very little knowledge of computing science in general, who tackle their problems primarily politically instead of scientifically.

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Often they seemed to be mentally trapped by the intricacies of early, rather ad hoc solutions to rather accidental problems; as soon as such a technique has received a name, it becomes "a database concept".

And a totally inadequate use of language, sharpening their pencils with a blunt axe.

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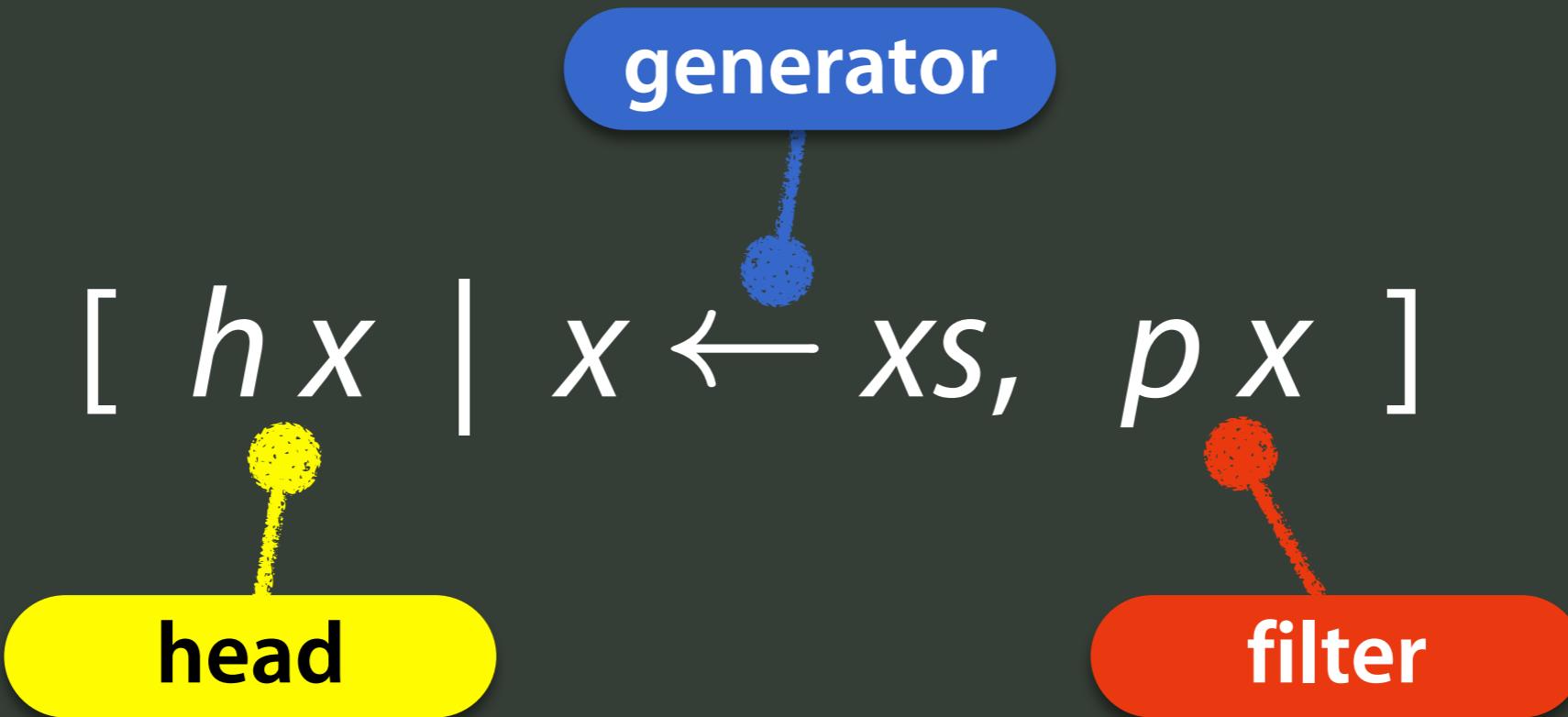
I learned a few things about Databases. I learned —or: had my tentative impression confirmed— that the term "Database Technology", although sometimes used, is immature, for there is hardly any underlying "science" that could justify the use of the term "technology".

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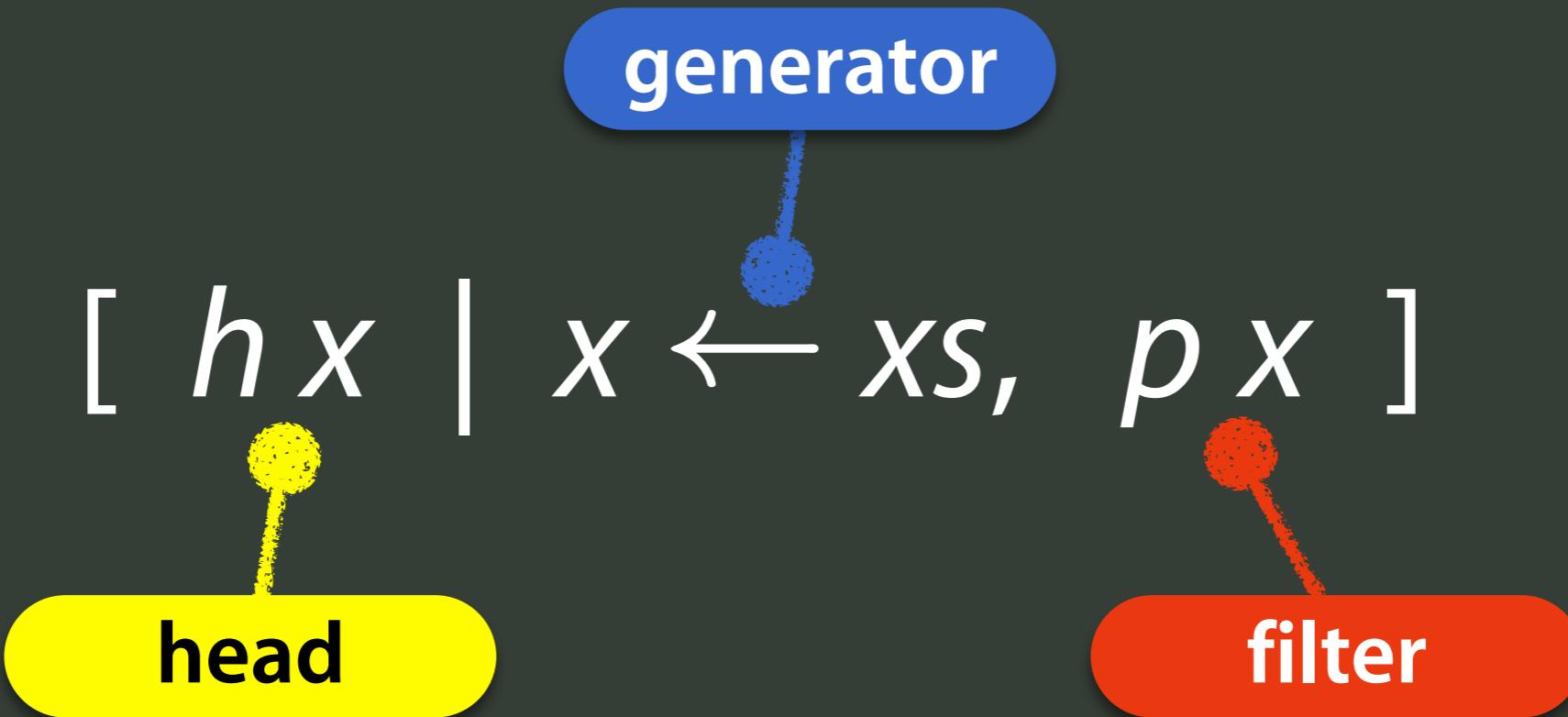
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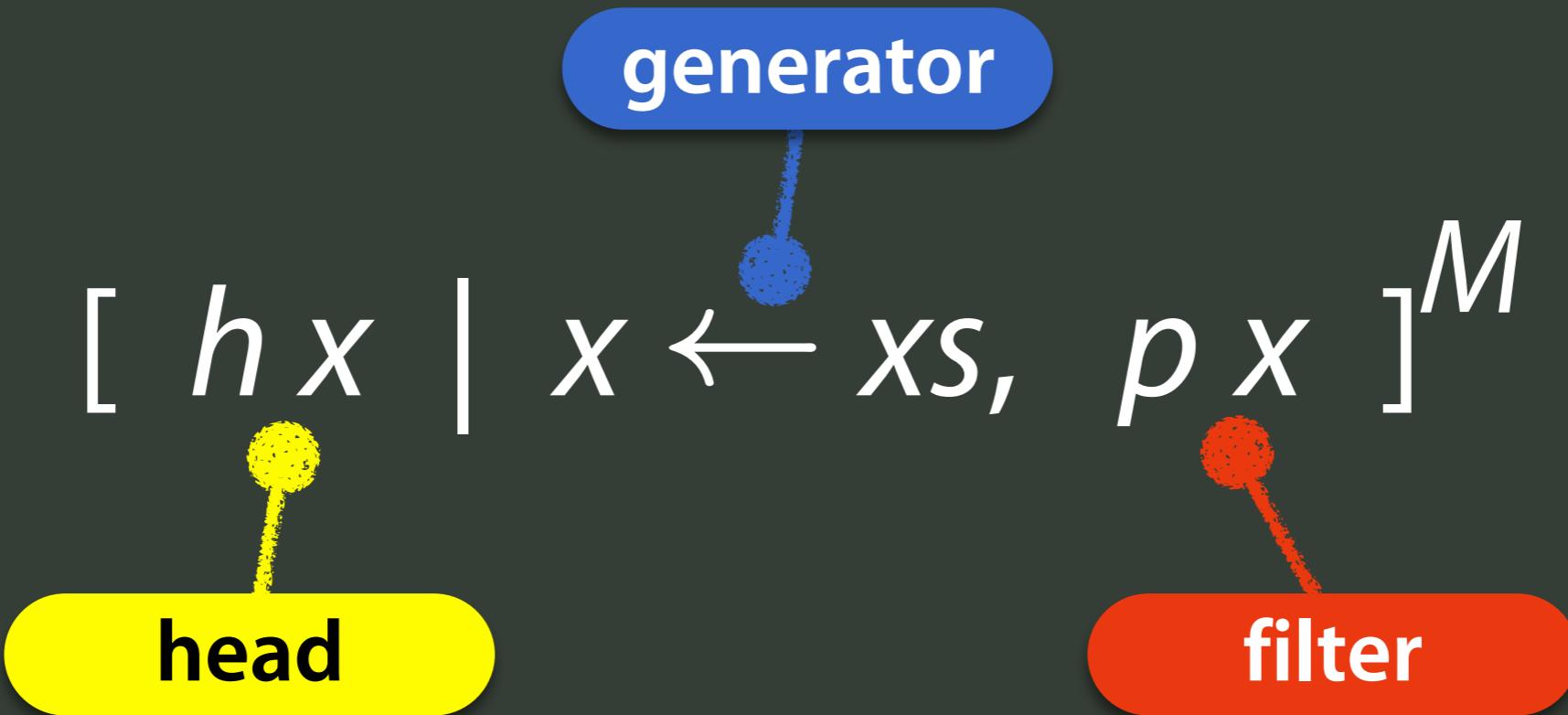
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In the Beginning ...

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binding and raises a [type error](#) for another:

```
some $x in (1, 2, "cat") satisfies $x * 2 = 4
```

This quantified expression may either return one or no

generator

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1 module Query where
2 import Prelude hiding (elem,index)
3
4 -- Data Model: Constructors -----
5
6 text    :: String -> Node
7 elem    :: Tag -> [Node] -> Node
8 ref     :: Node -> Node
9
10 year0   :: Node
11 year0   = elem "@year" [ text "1999" ]
12
13 book0   :: Node
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```

An XQuery Nucleus

- ≈ 430 lines of Haskell (300+ lines of examples)
- Implements a complete XQuery core, including tree construction and traversal
- **List comprehensions** express path navigation, *FLOWR*, grouping/aggregation, quantification

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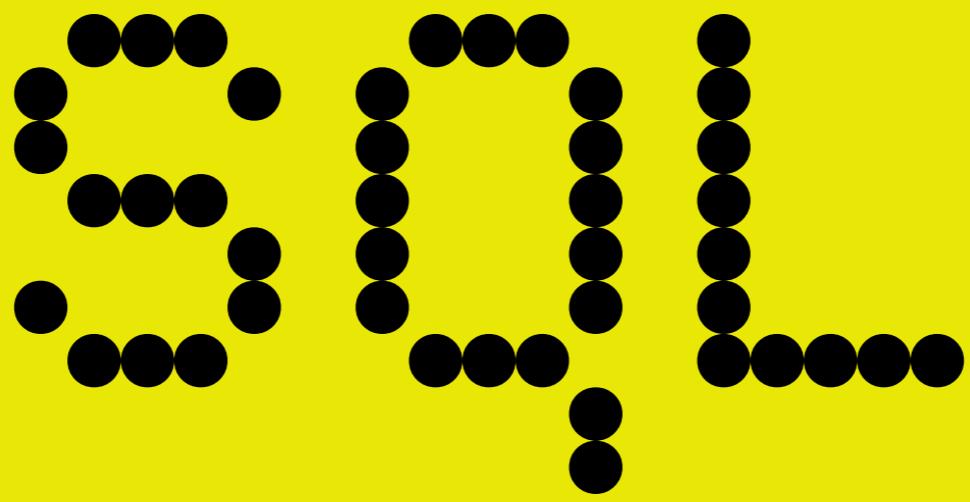
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                          c ← f(c ,x);  
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M	carrier	$lift^M$	z^M	\oplus^M
bag	$bag\ t$	$\{\cdot\}$	\emptyset	\uplus
set	$set\ t$	$\{\cdot\}$	\emptyset	\cup
$list$	$list\ t$	$[\cdot]$	$[]$	$++$
all	$bool$	id	$true$	\wedge
$some$	$bool$	id	$false$	\vee
sum	num	id	0	$+$
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SELECT x.A, y.B  
FROM R x, S y
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[e |]^M

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[e | p, q]^M

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  $[ e \mid qs_1, [ e_2 \mid qs_2 ]^{some}, qs_3 ]^M$   $(\oplus^M$  idempotent)  
 $[ e \mid qs_1, qs_2, e_2, qs_3 ]^M$

# When Syntax Distracts

## On Optimizing an SQL-like Nested Query

WON KIM

IBM Research

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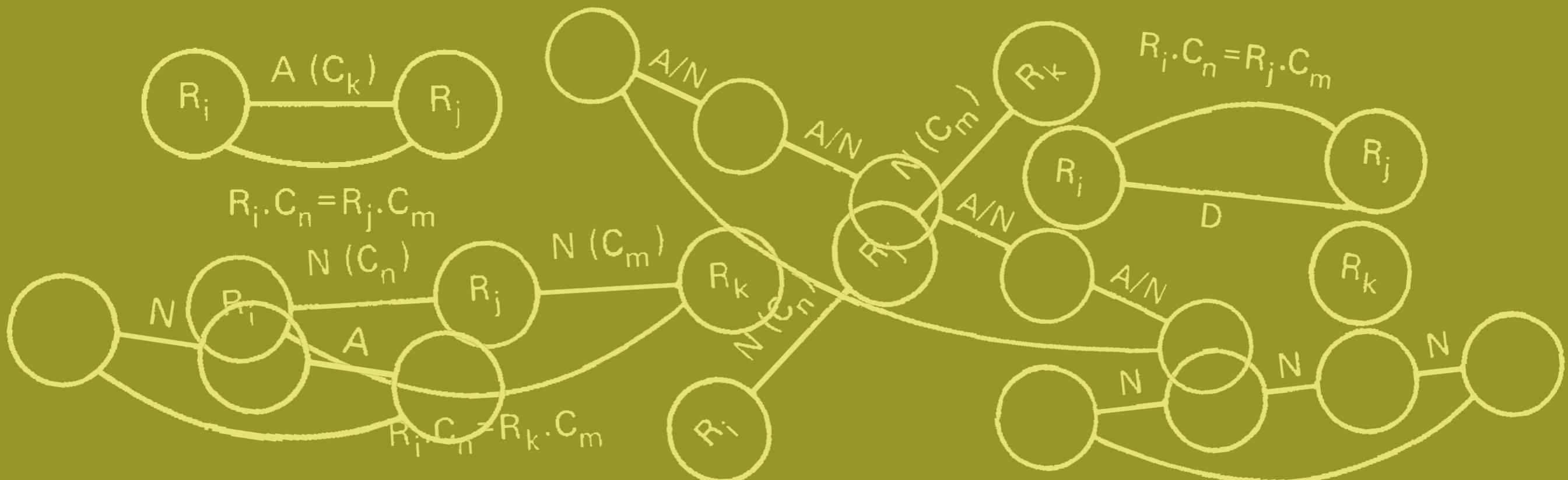
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[  $p(x) = g(y) \mid y \leftarrow S, q(x,y)$  ]<sup>some</sup> ]<sup>set</sup>

# When Syntax Distracts

```
SELECT DISTINCT f(x)
FROM   R AS x
WHERE  p(x) IN (SELECT g(y)
                  FROM   S AS y
                  WHERE  q(x,y))
```

$[ f(x) \mid x \leftarrow R, y \leftarrow S, q(x,y), p(x) = g(y) ]^{set}$

```
SELECT DISTINCT f(x)
FROM   R AS x, S AS y
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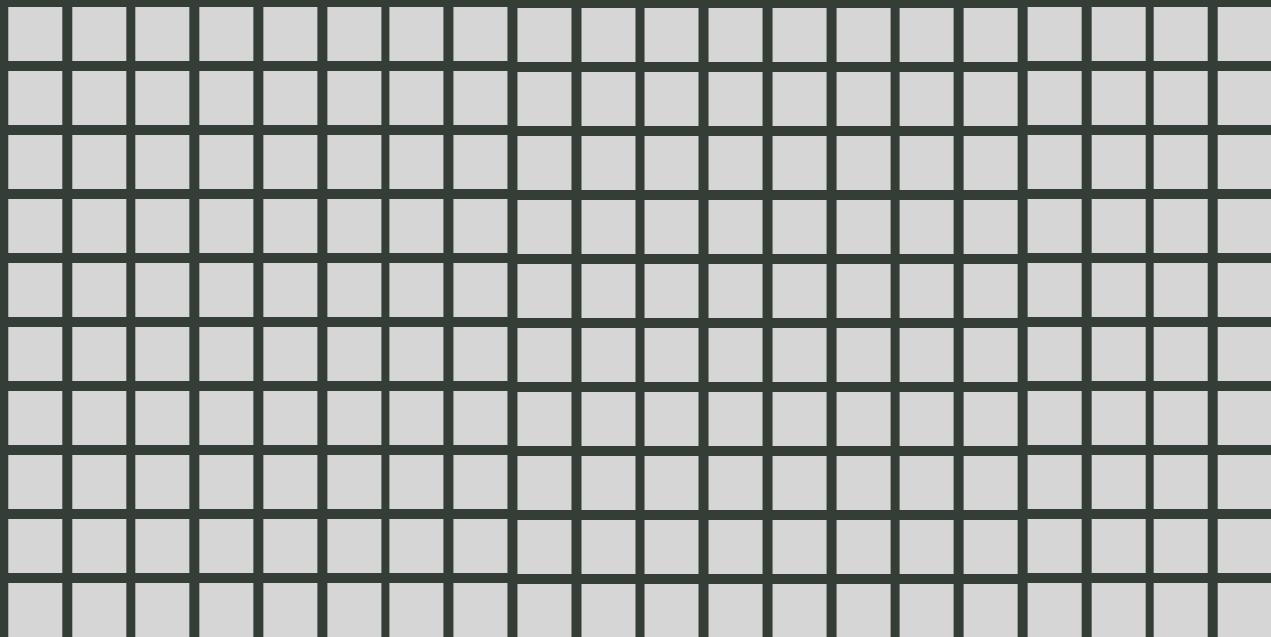
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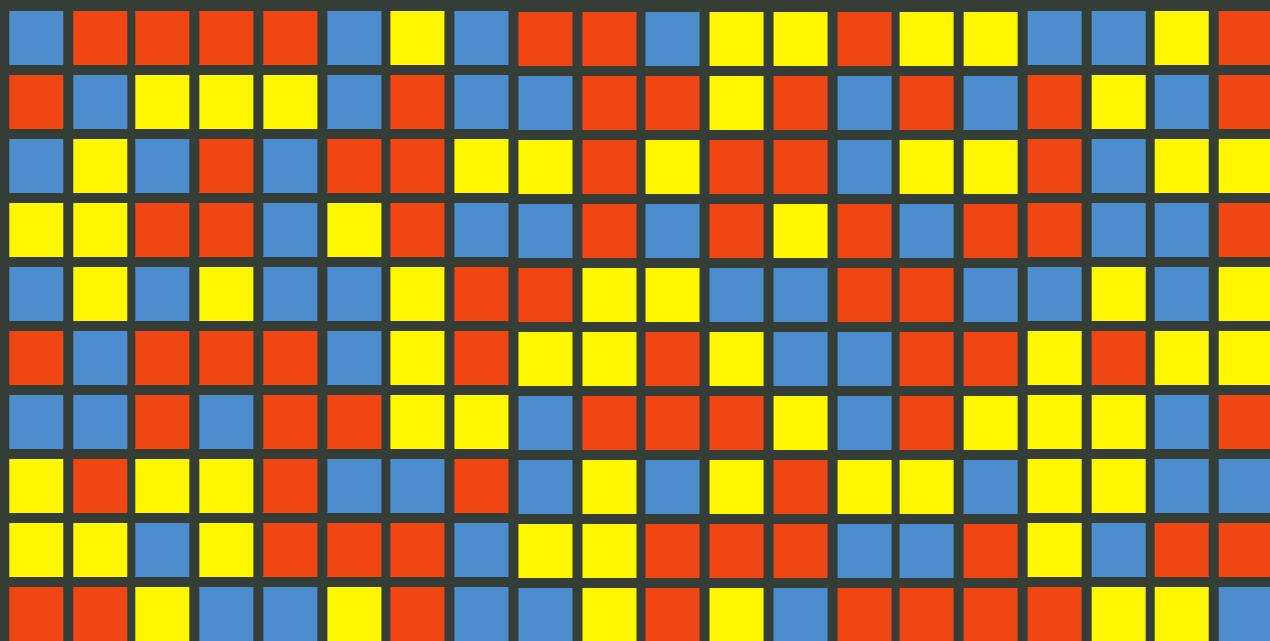
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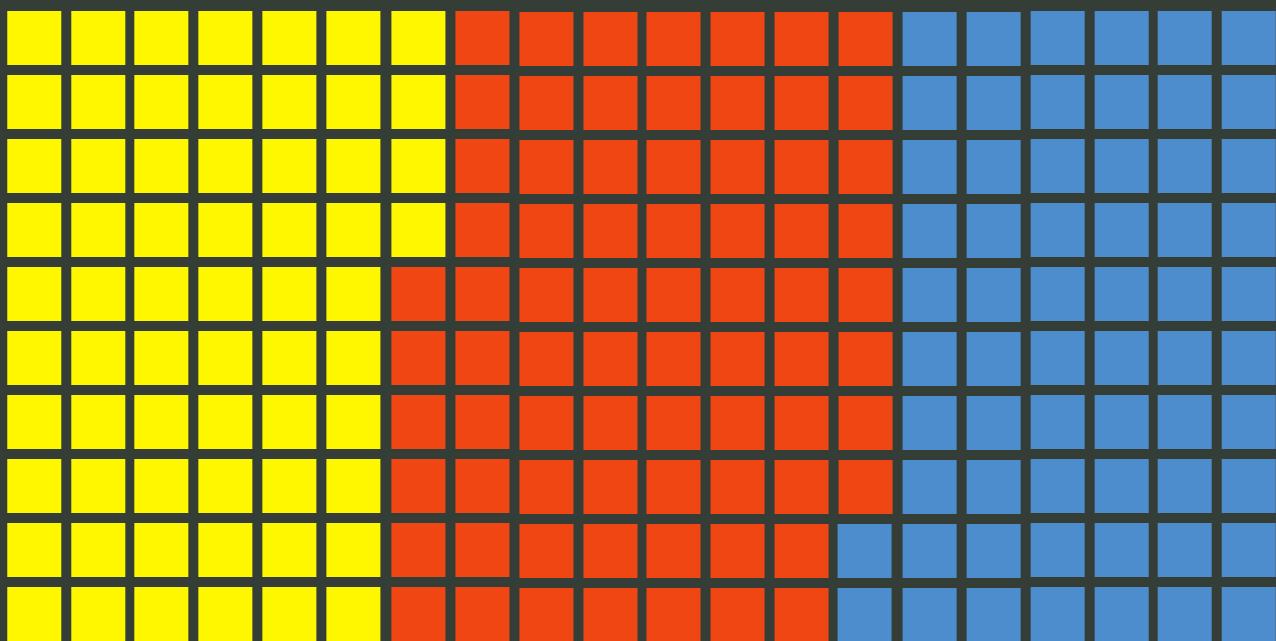
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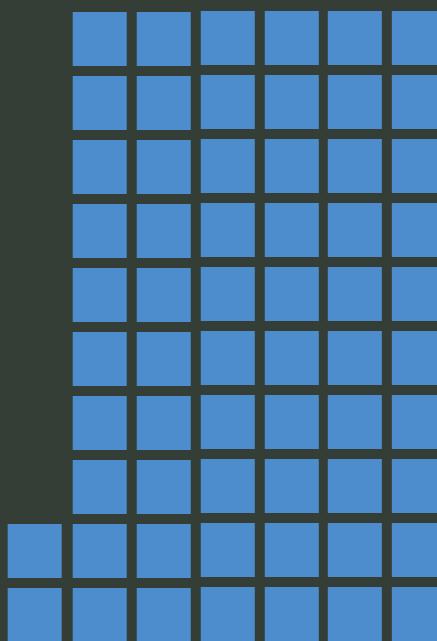
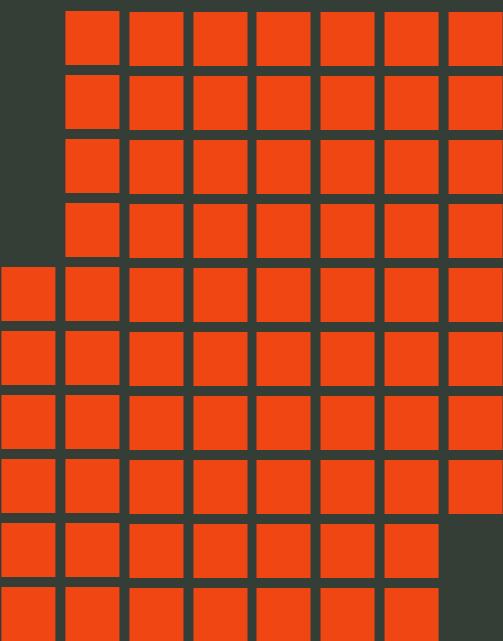
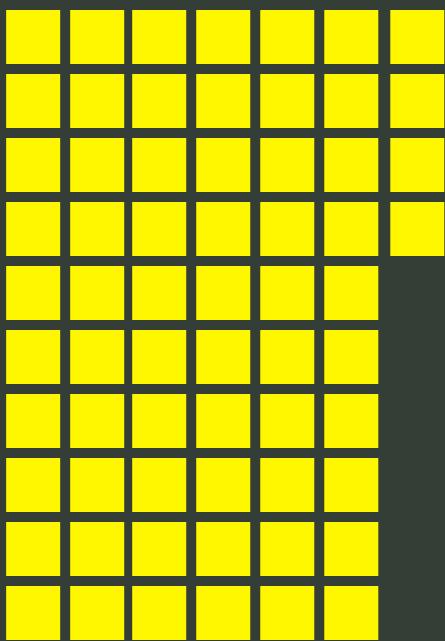
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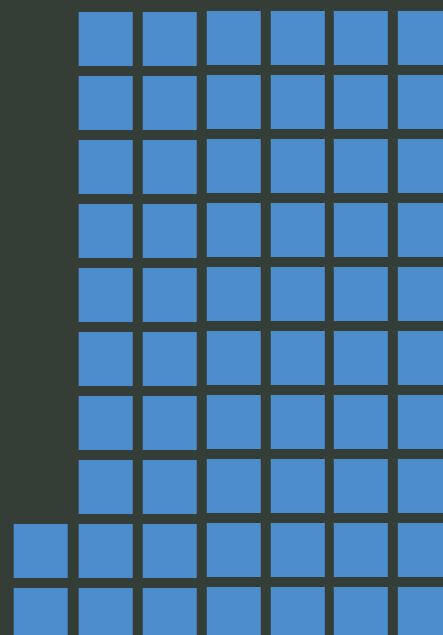
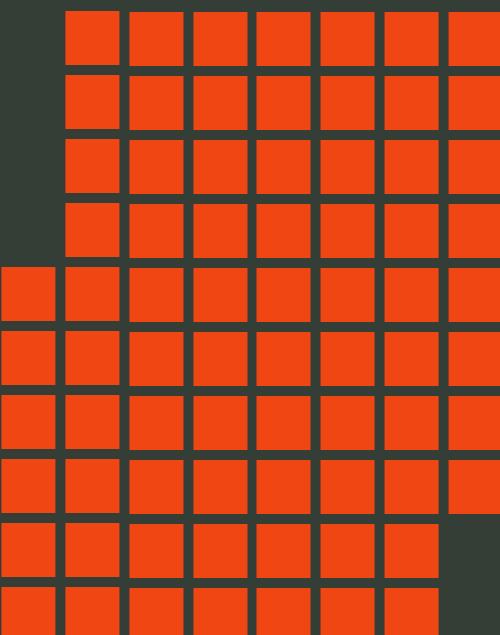
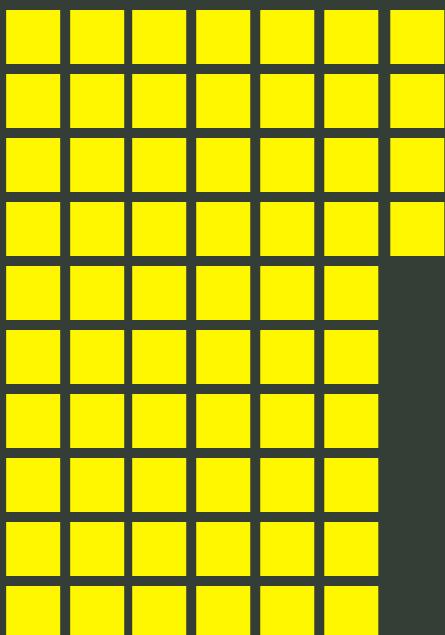
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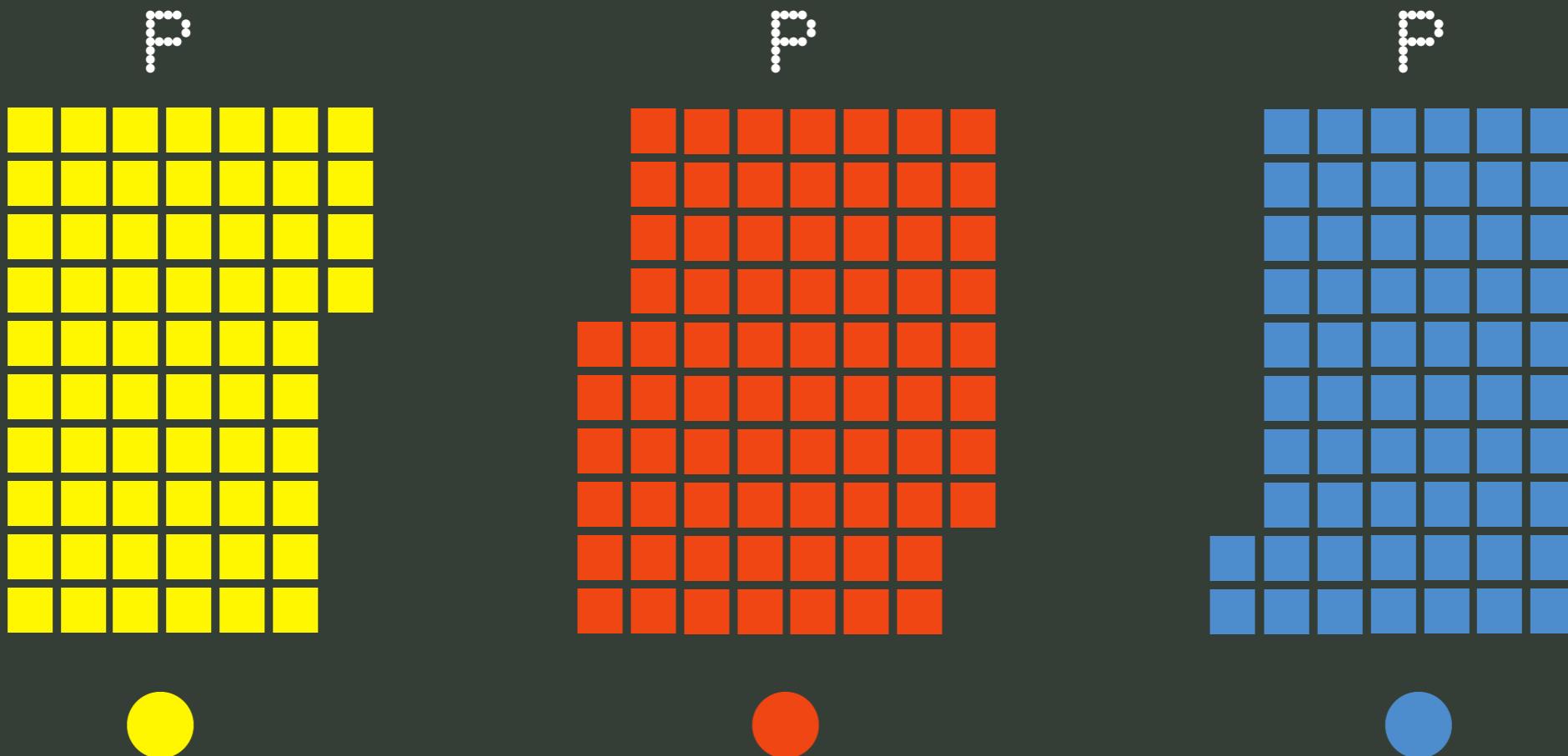
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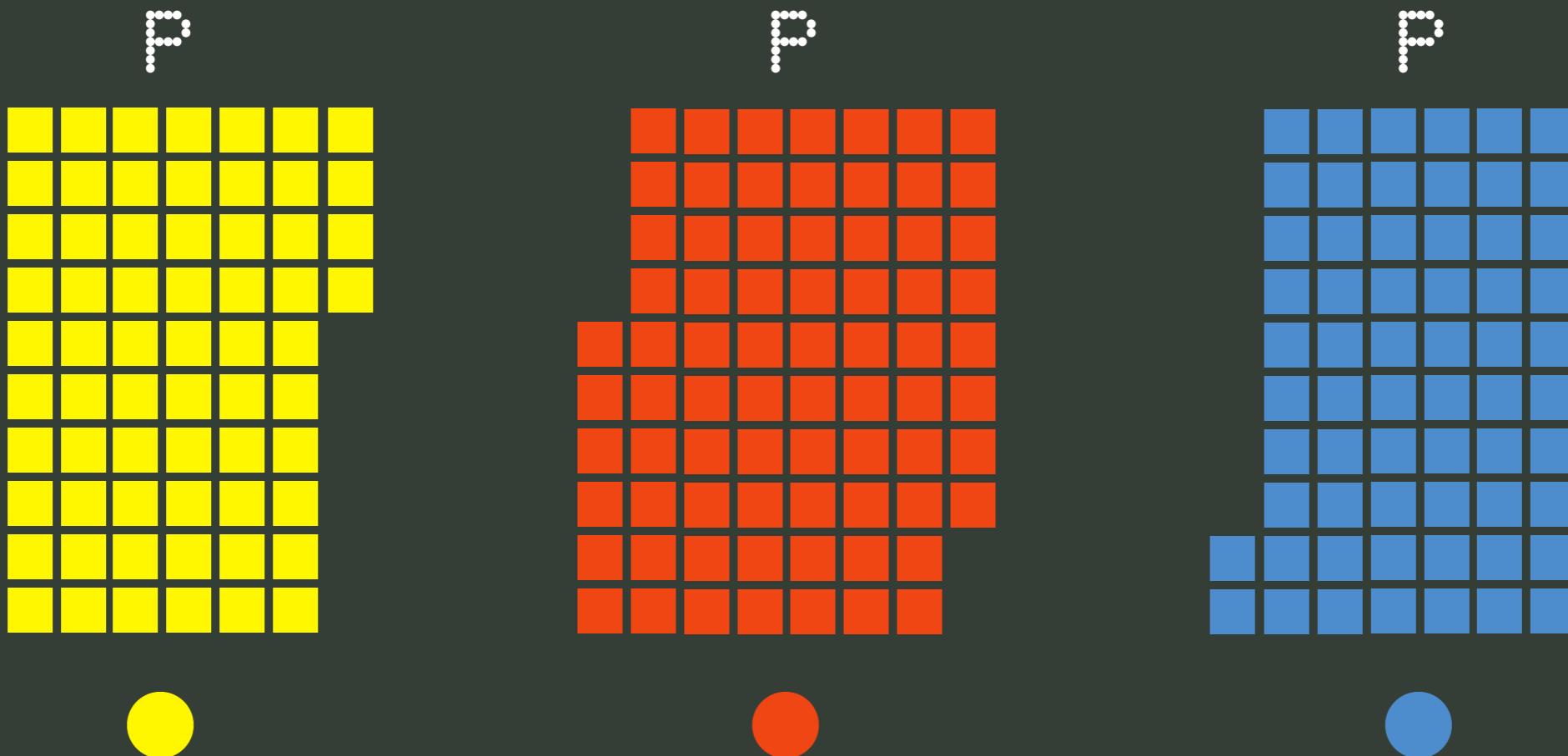


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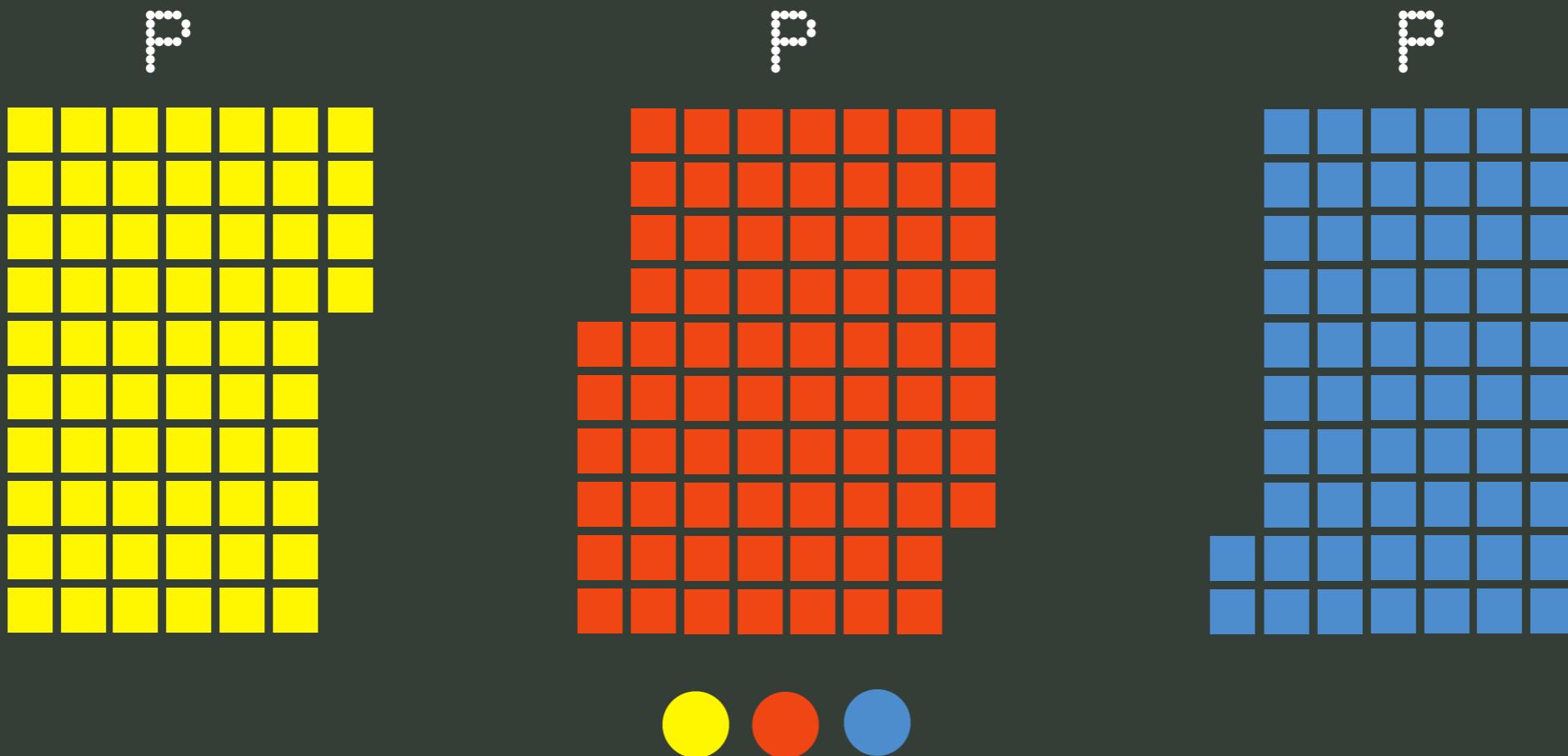
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FROM    P AS x
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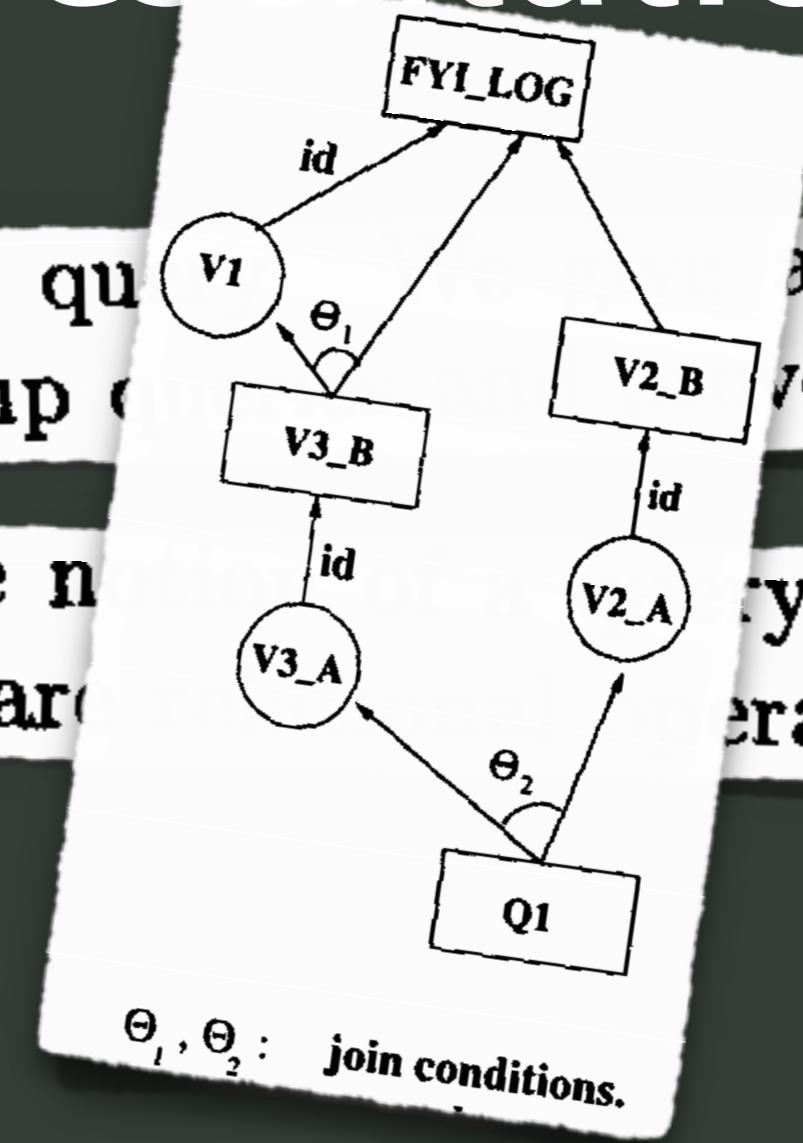
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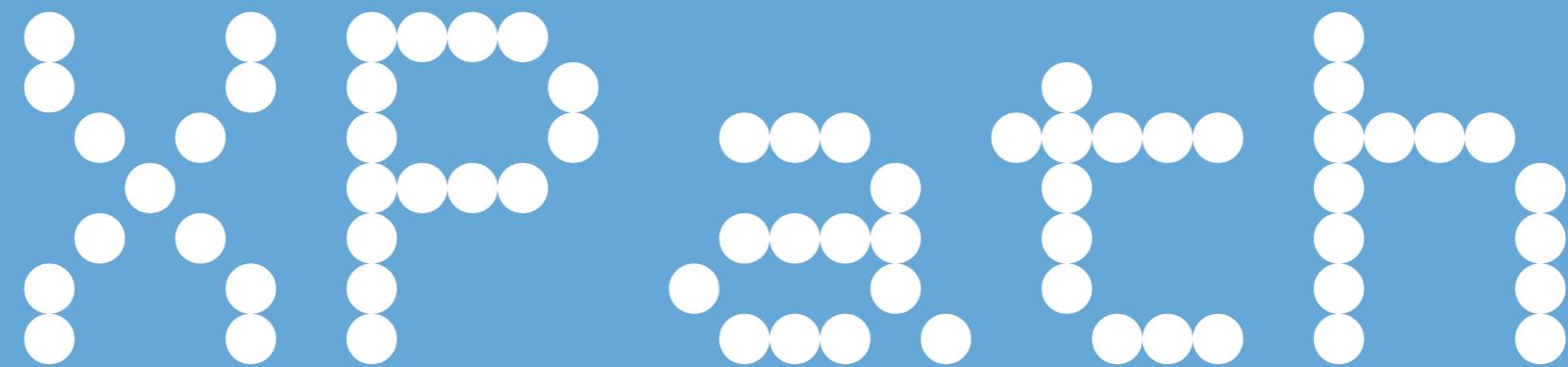
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$\text{XPath} \rightarrow \text{XComprehension}$

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$\text{xpath } (\text{step } p) c = \text{xpath } p \text{ (root } c)$

$\text{xpath } (p_1 \text{ or } p_2) c = [ n' \mid n \leftarrow \text{xpath } p_1 c, n' \leftarrow \text{xpath } p_2 n ]^X$

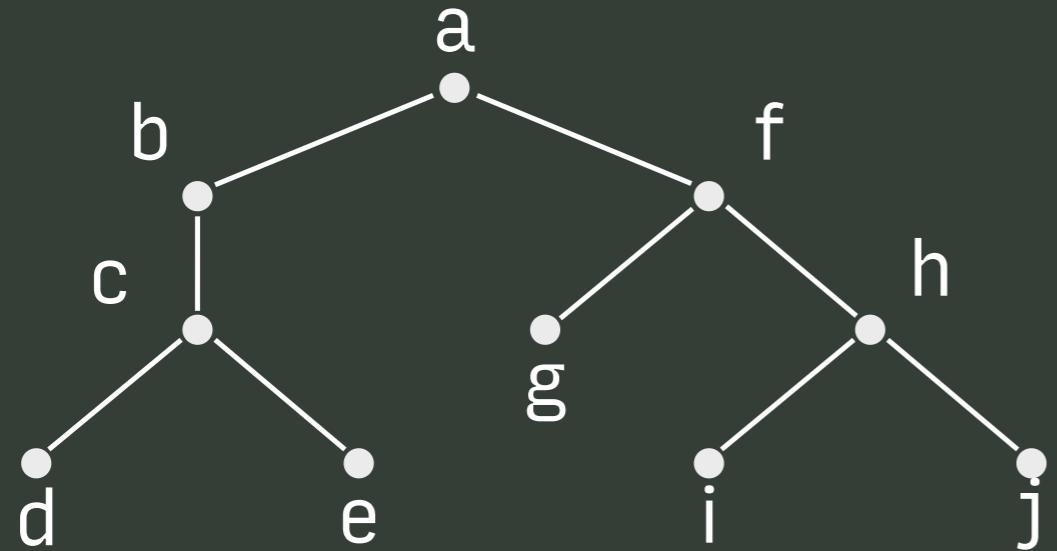
$\text{xpath } (p [q]) c = [ n \mid n \leftarrow \text{xpath } p c, [ \text{true} \mid \_ \leftarrow \text{xpath } q n ]^{some} ]^X$

$\text{xpath } (ax :: t) c = \text{step } (ax :: t) c$

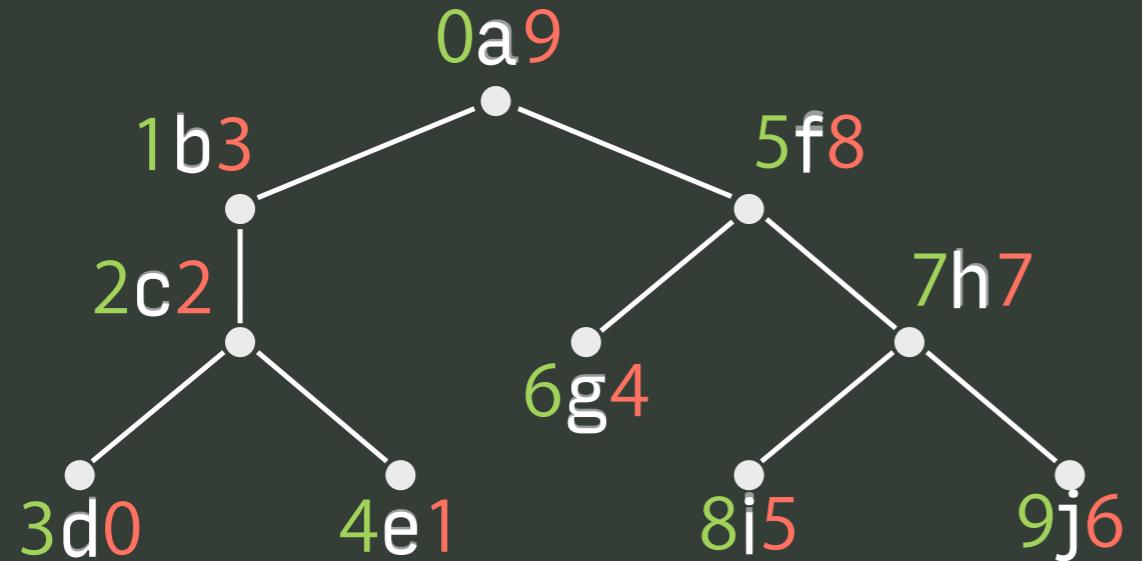
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```
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  <b><c><d/>e</c></b>
  <f><!--g-->
    <h><i/><j/></h>
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</a>
```

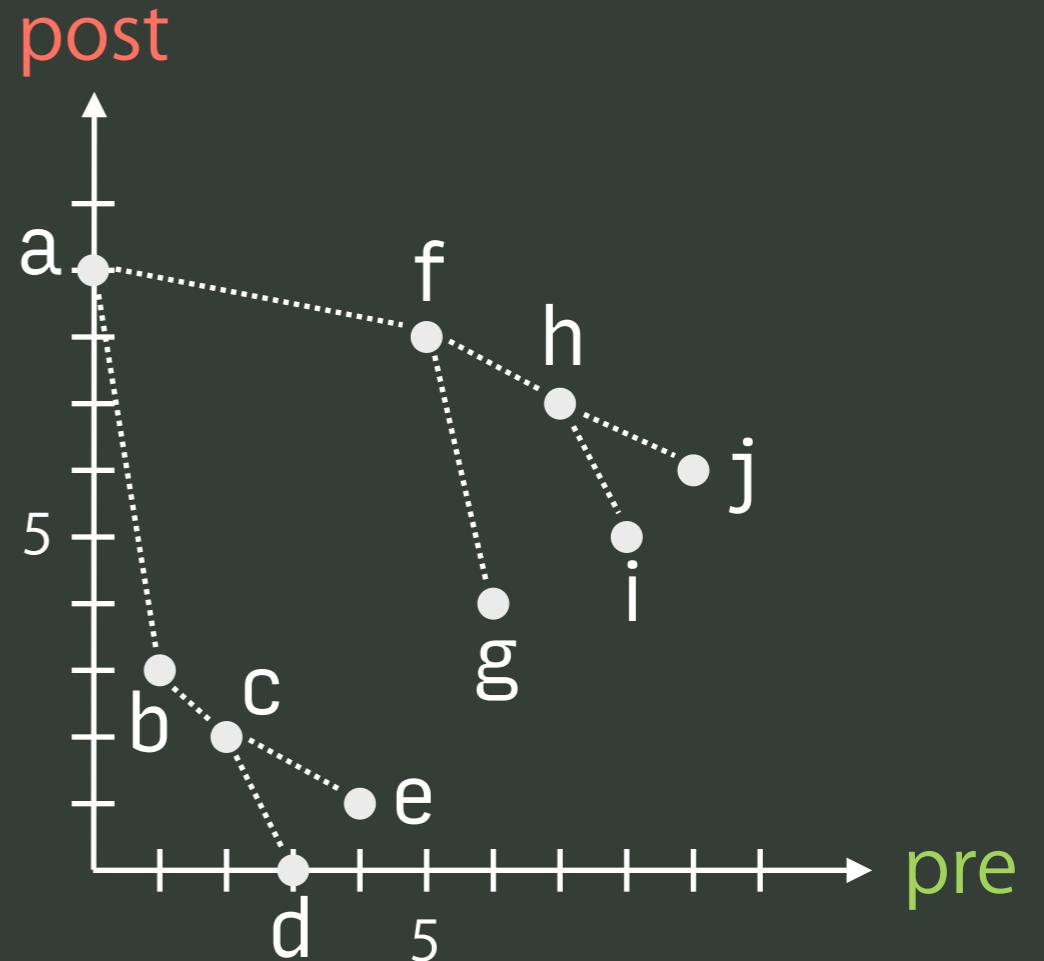
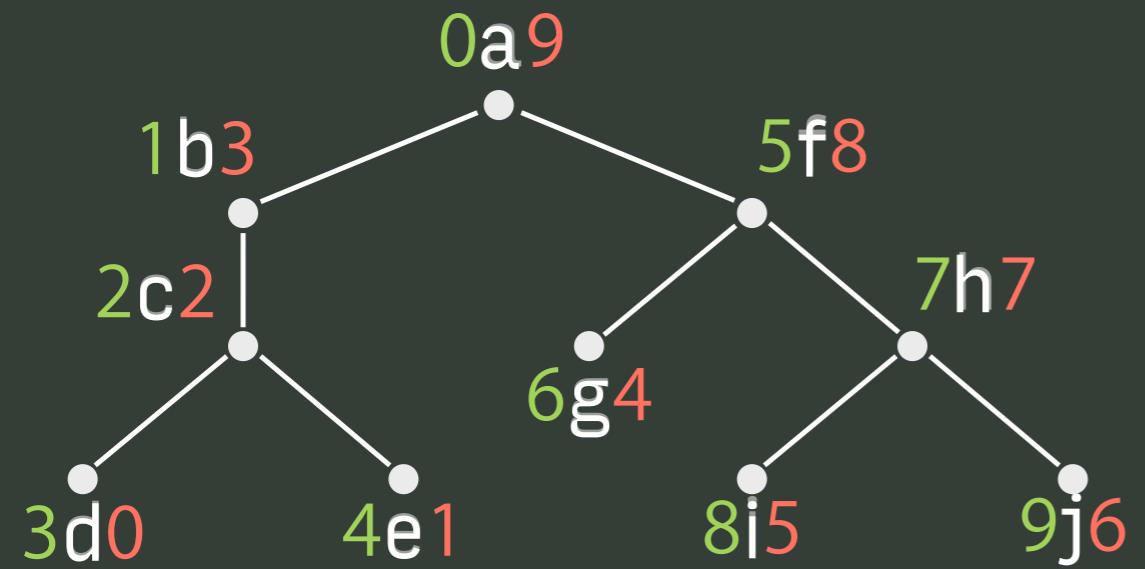
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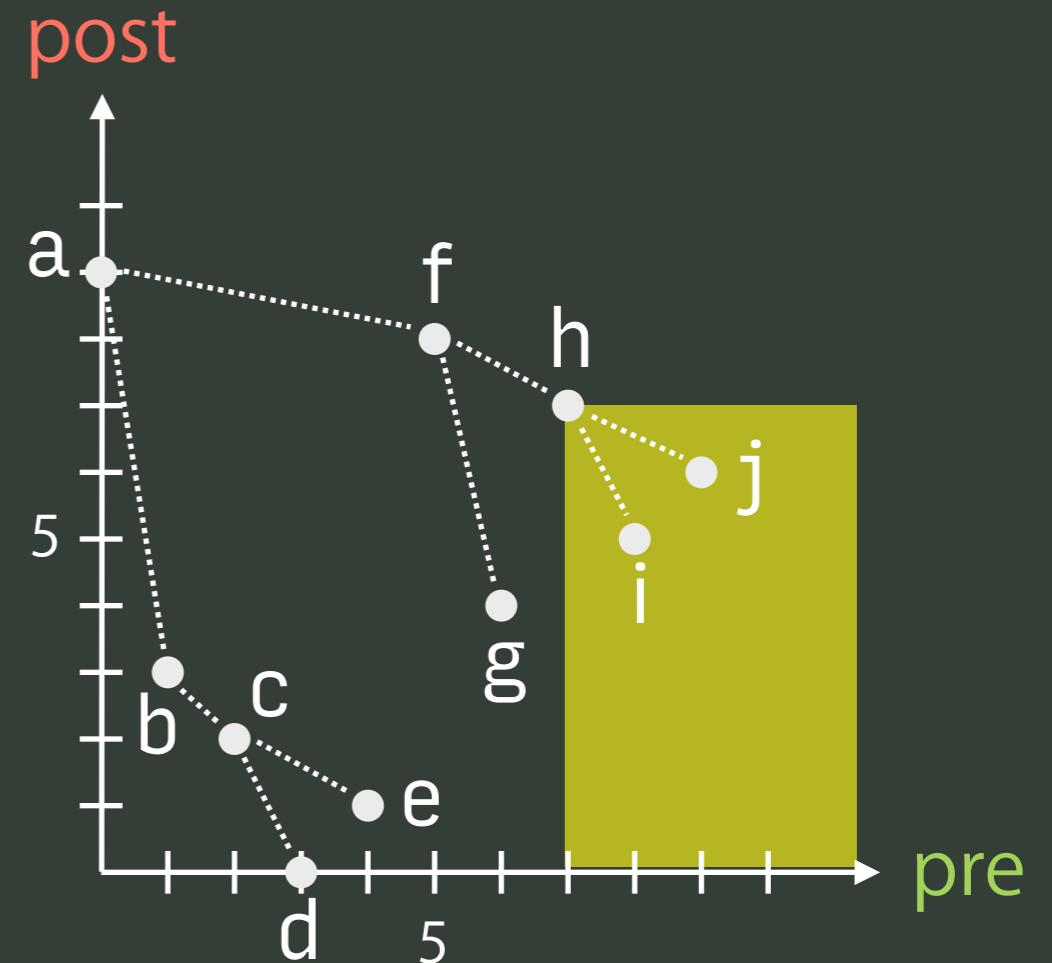
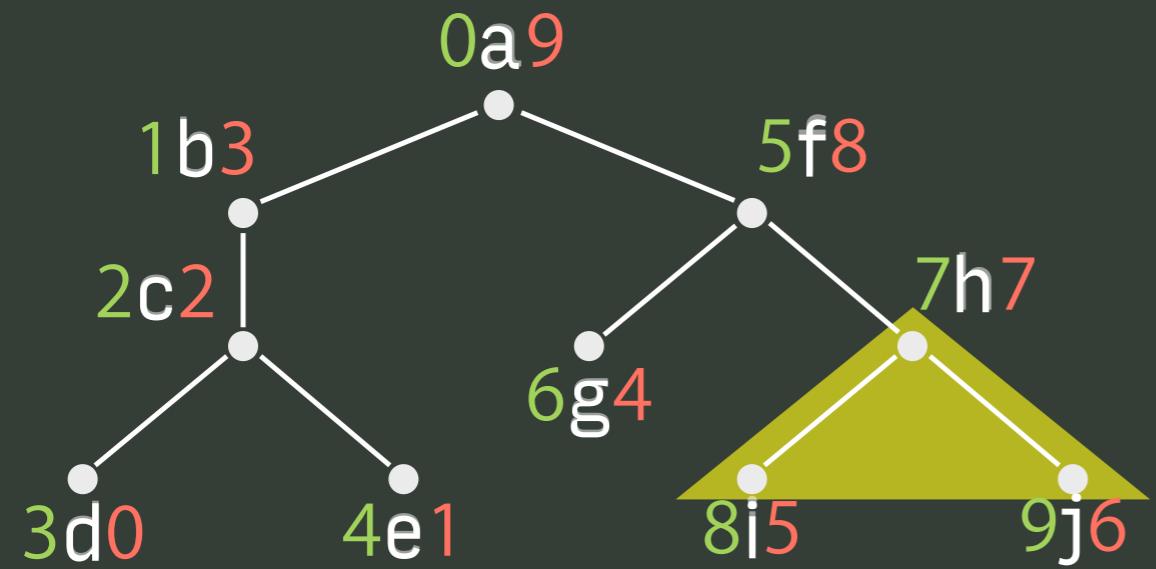
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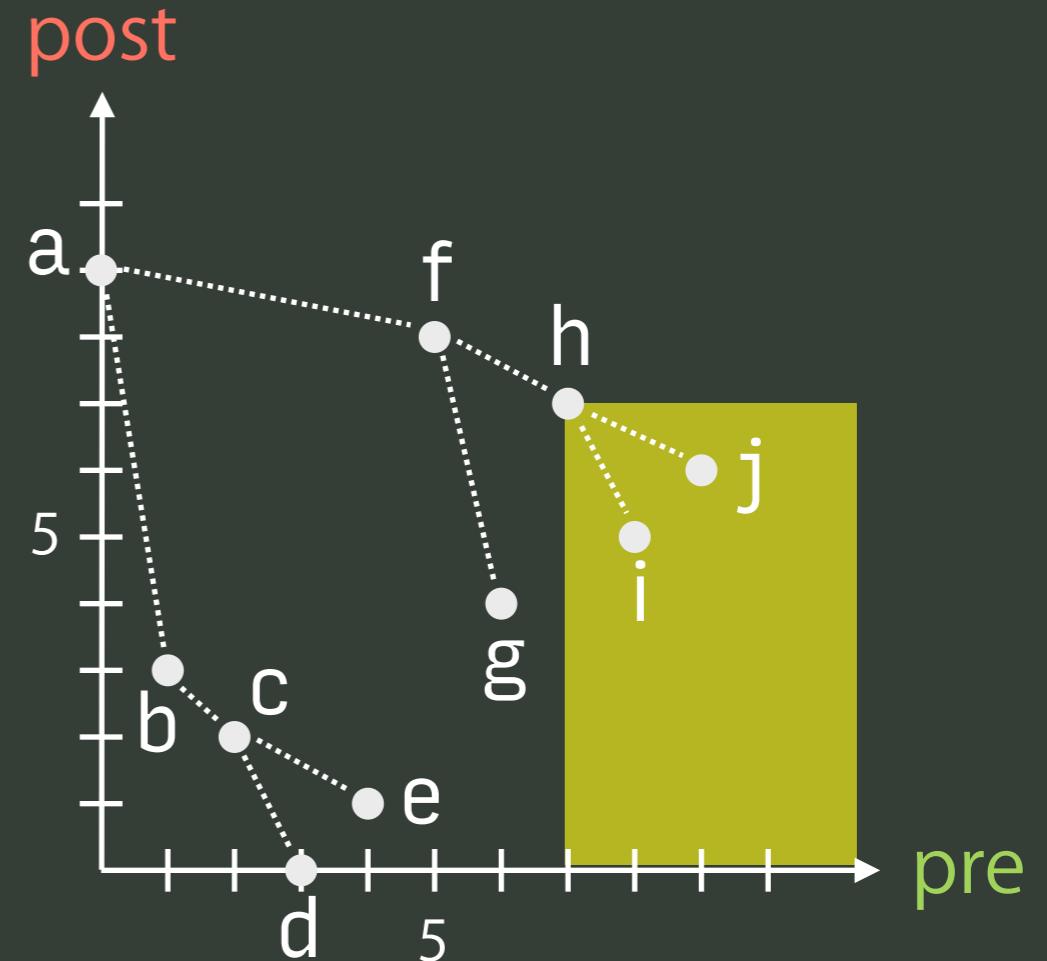
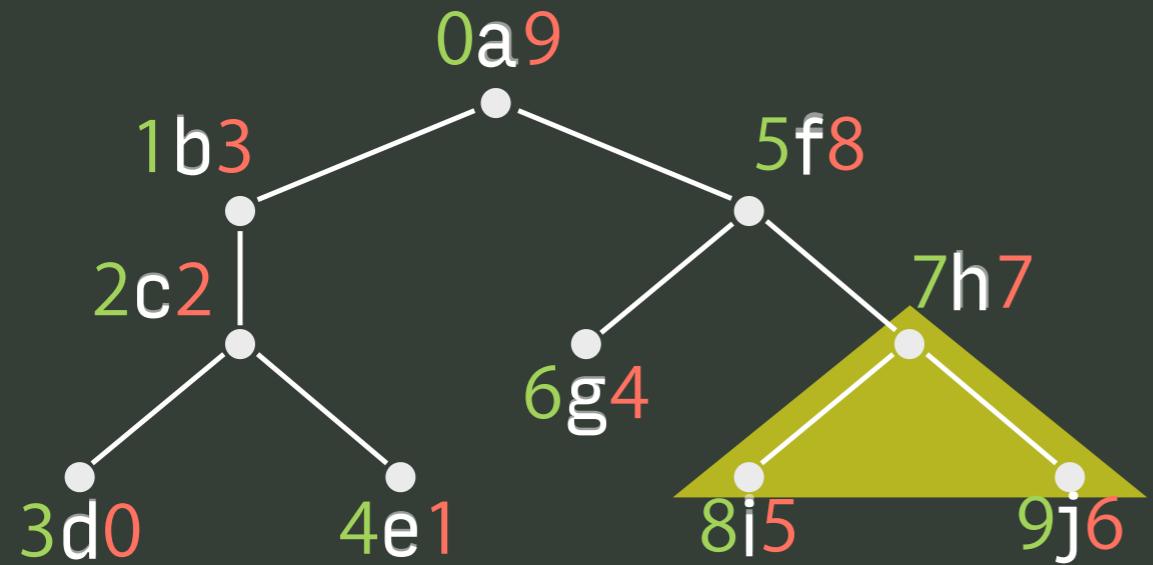
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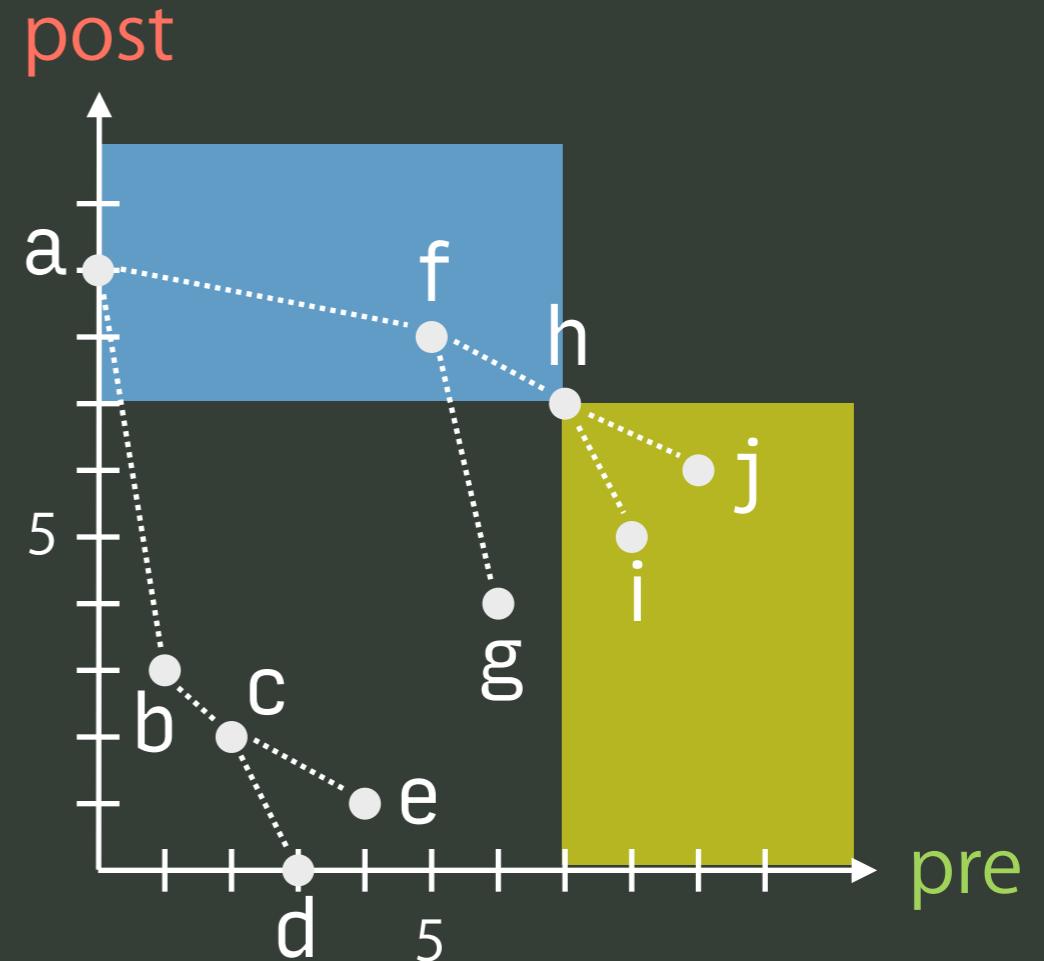
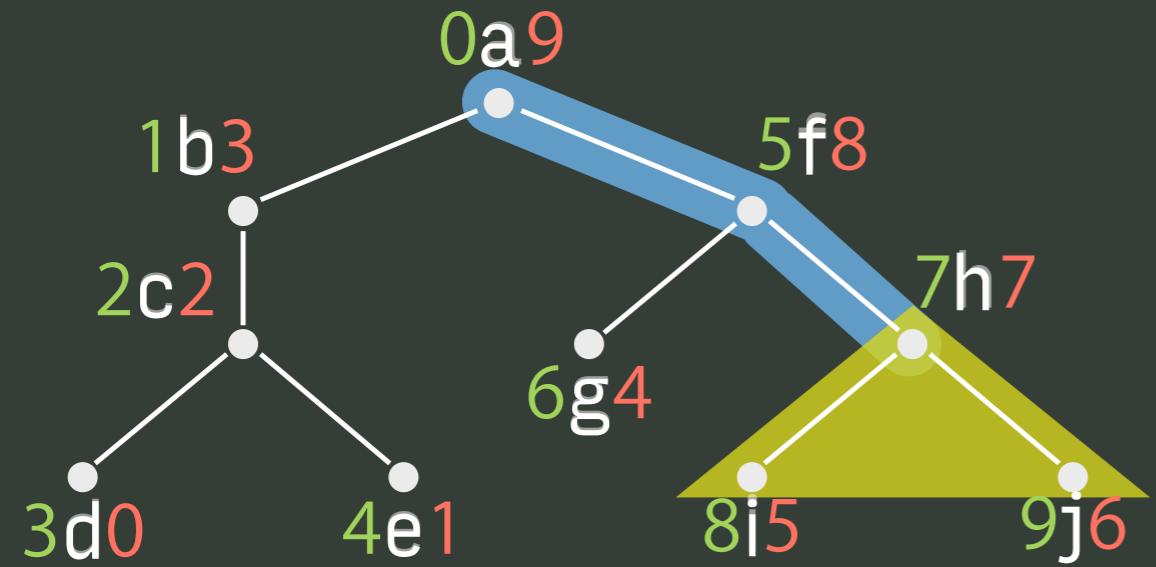


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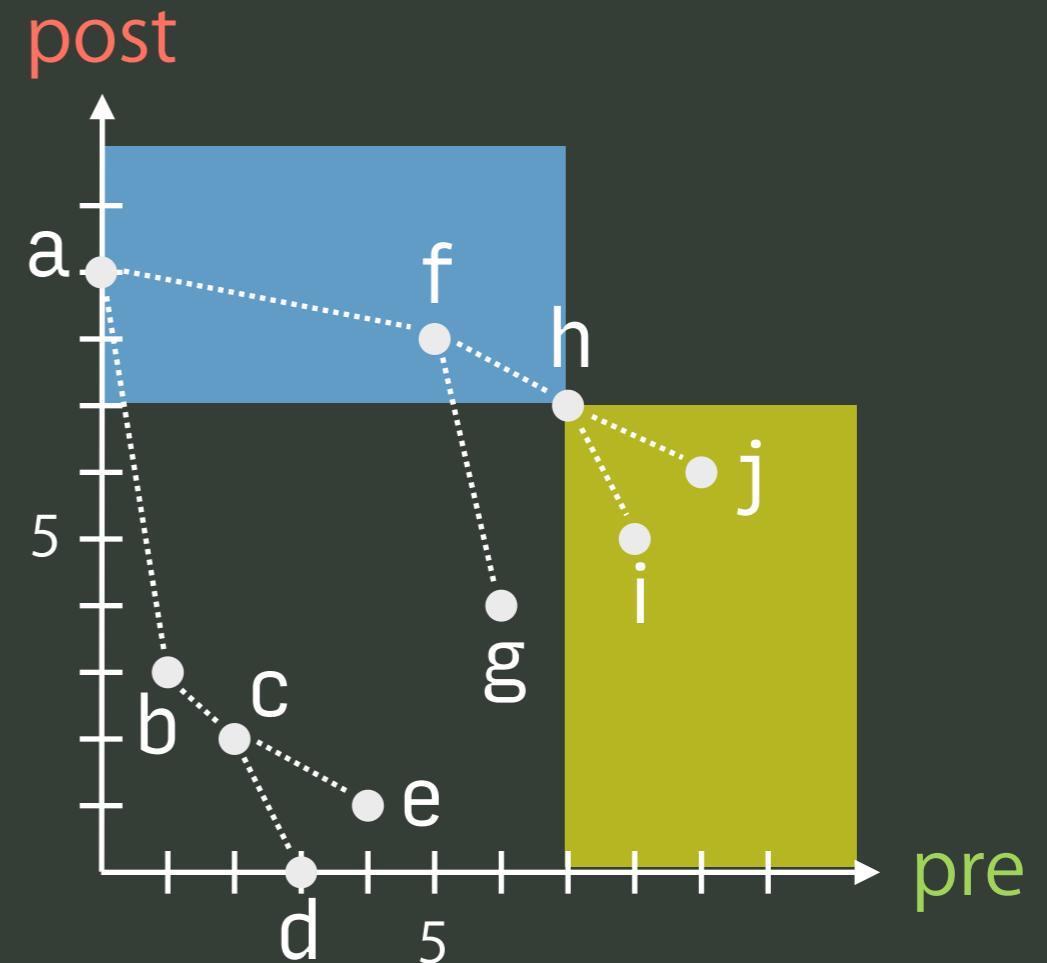
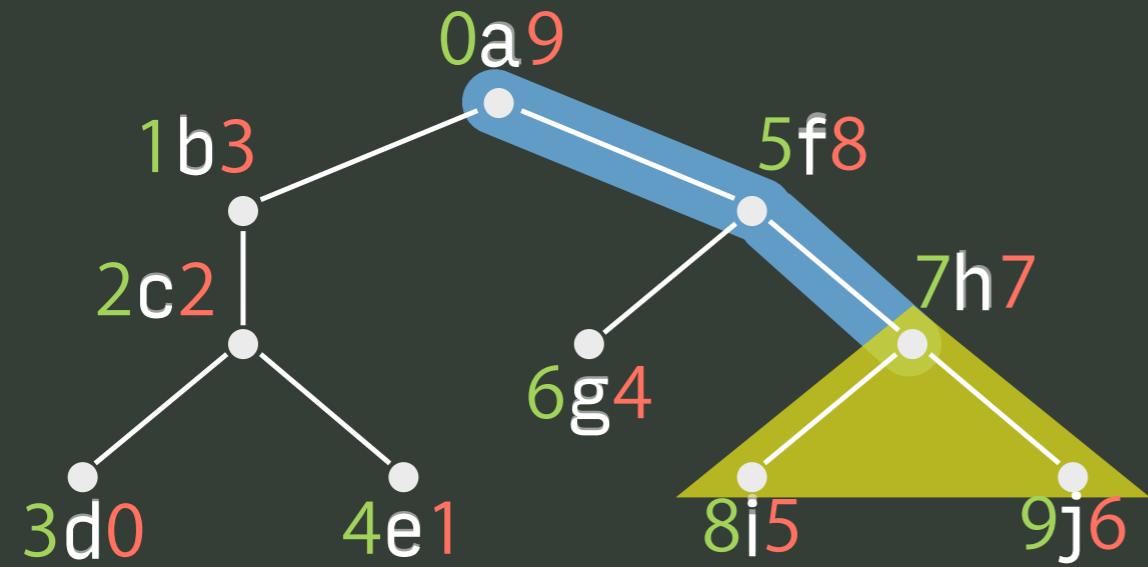
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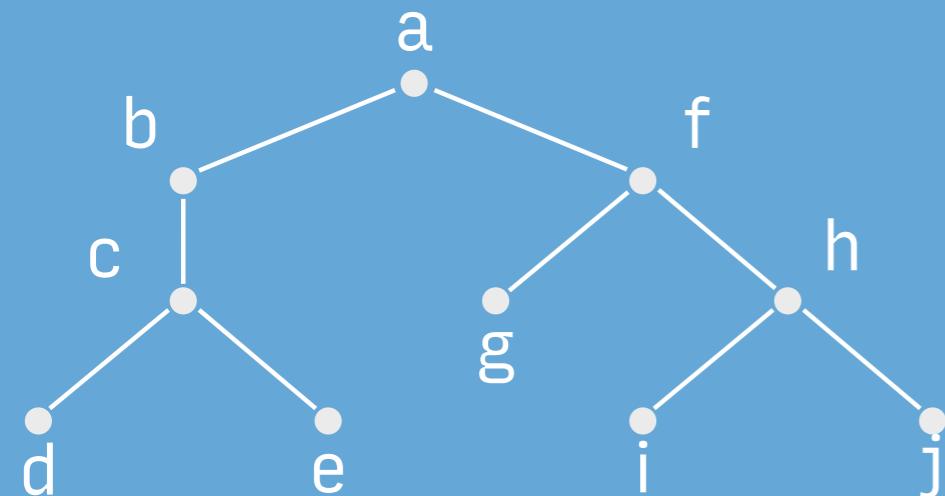
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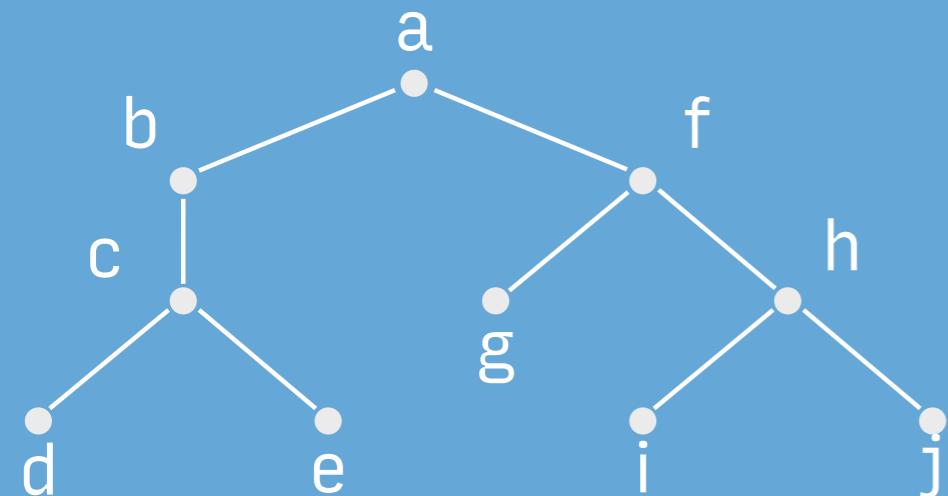
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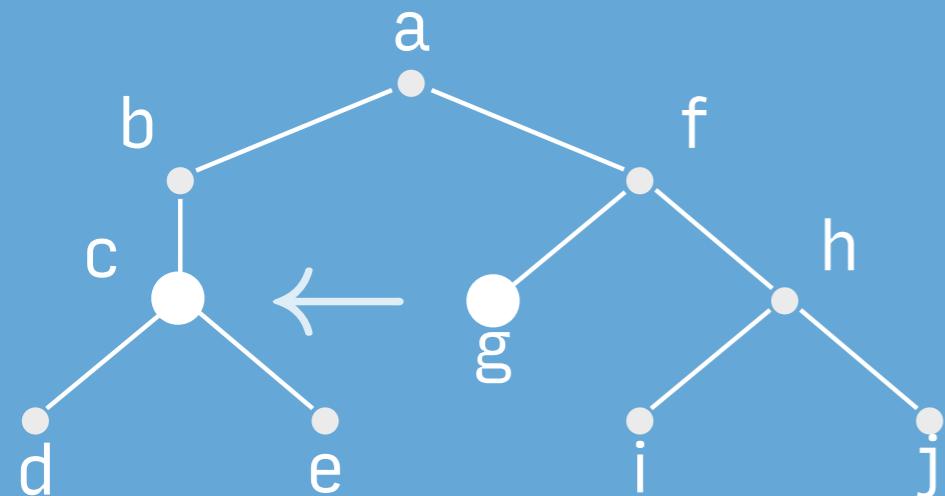
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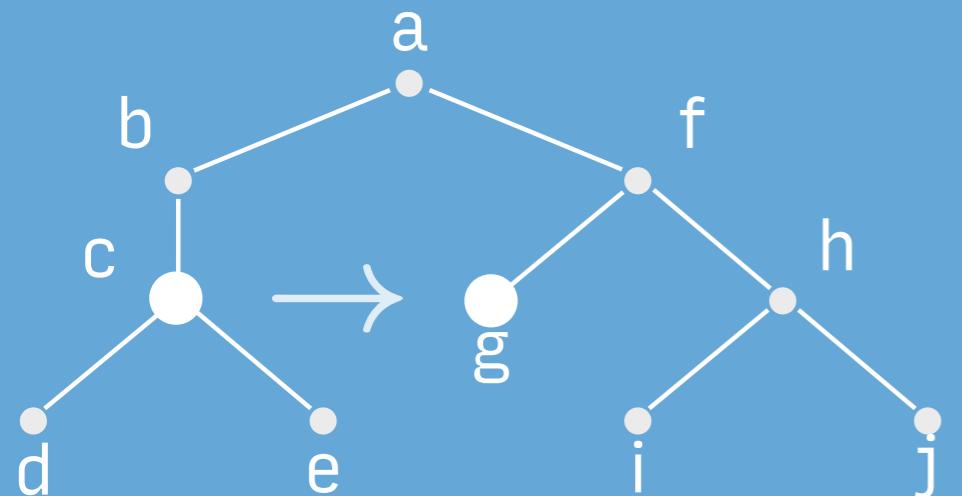
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`/descendant::g/preceding::c`  
≡  
`/descendant::c[following::g]`

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$$p/\text{descendant}::n[\text{preceding}::m] \equiv p[\text{preceding}::m]/\text{descendant}::n \quad (38)$$

|  $p/\text{child}::*[\text{descendant-or-self}::m]$   
 $/\text{following-sibling}::*[\text{descendant-or-self}::n]$

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$$p/\text{self}::n[\text{preceding}::m] \equiv p[\text{preceding}::m]/\text{self}::n \quad (40)$$

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$$p/\text{following}::n[\text{preceding}::m] \equiv p[\text{preceding}::m]/\text{following}::n \quad (42)$$

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$\text{g} \backslash \text{preceding}::\text{c}$

[  $v'$  |  $v \leftarrow \text{doc}, \text{tag } v = 'g', v' \leftarrow \text{doc},$   
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```
SELECT      DISTINCT v'  
FROM        doc v, doc v'  
WHERE       tag v = 'g' AND tag v' = 'c'  
AND         pre v' < pre v AND post v' < post v  
ORDER BY   pre v'
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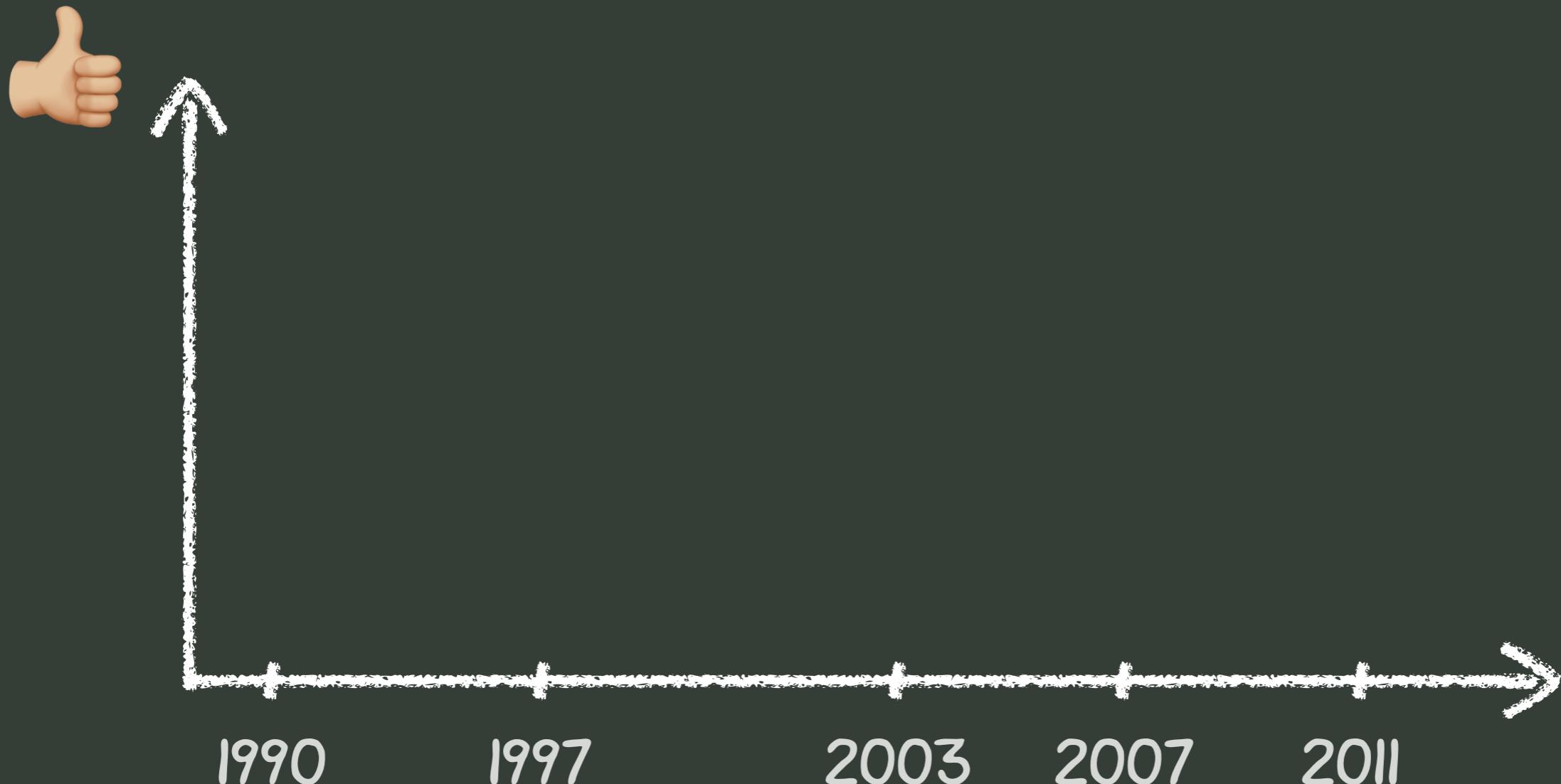


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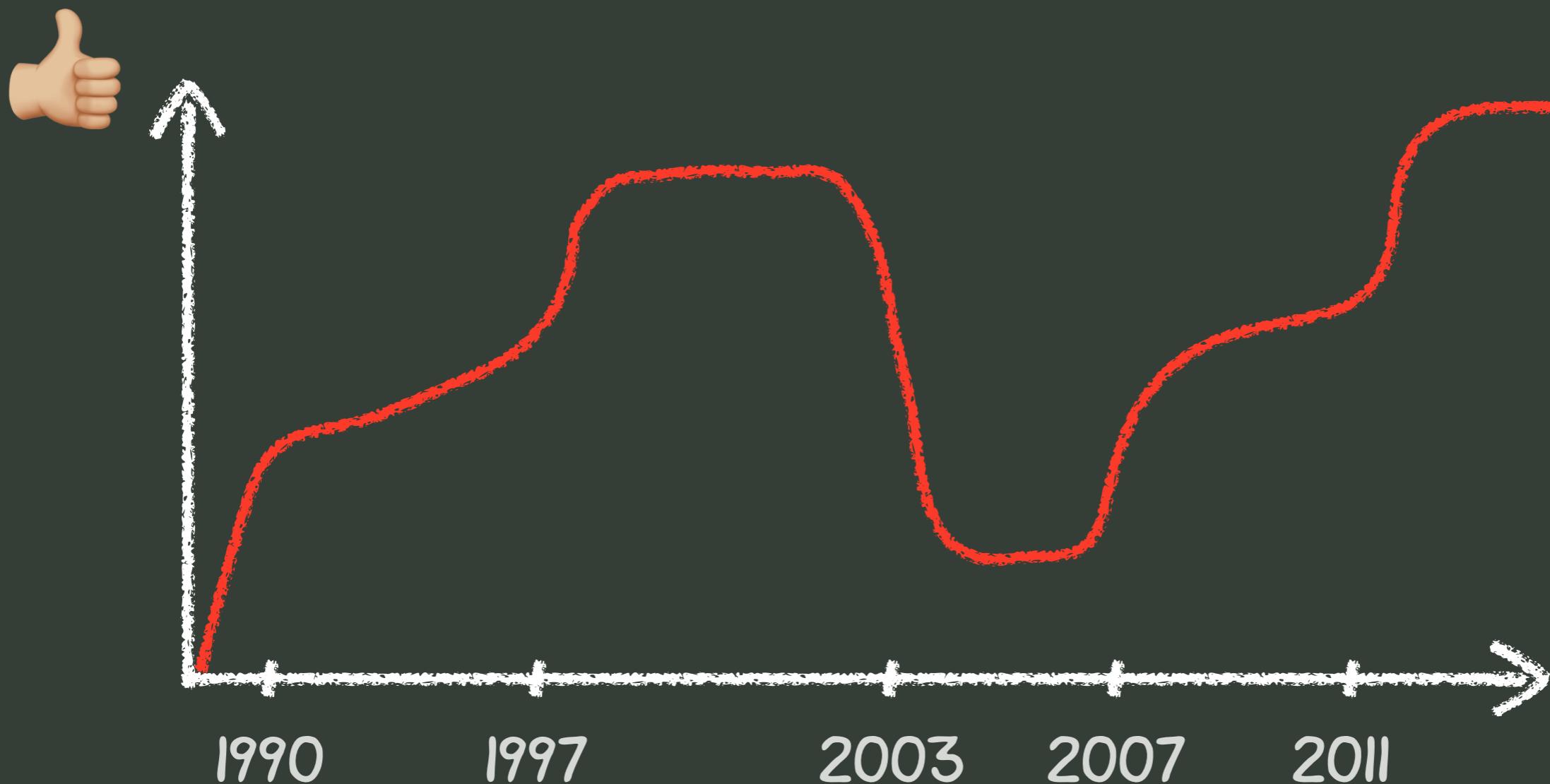
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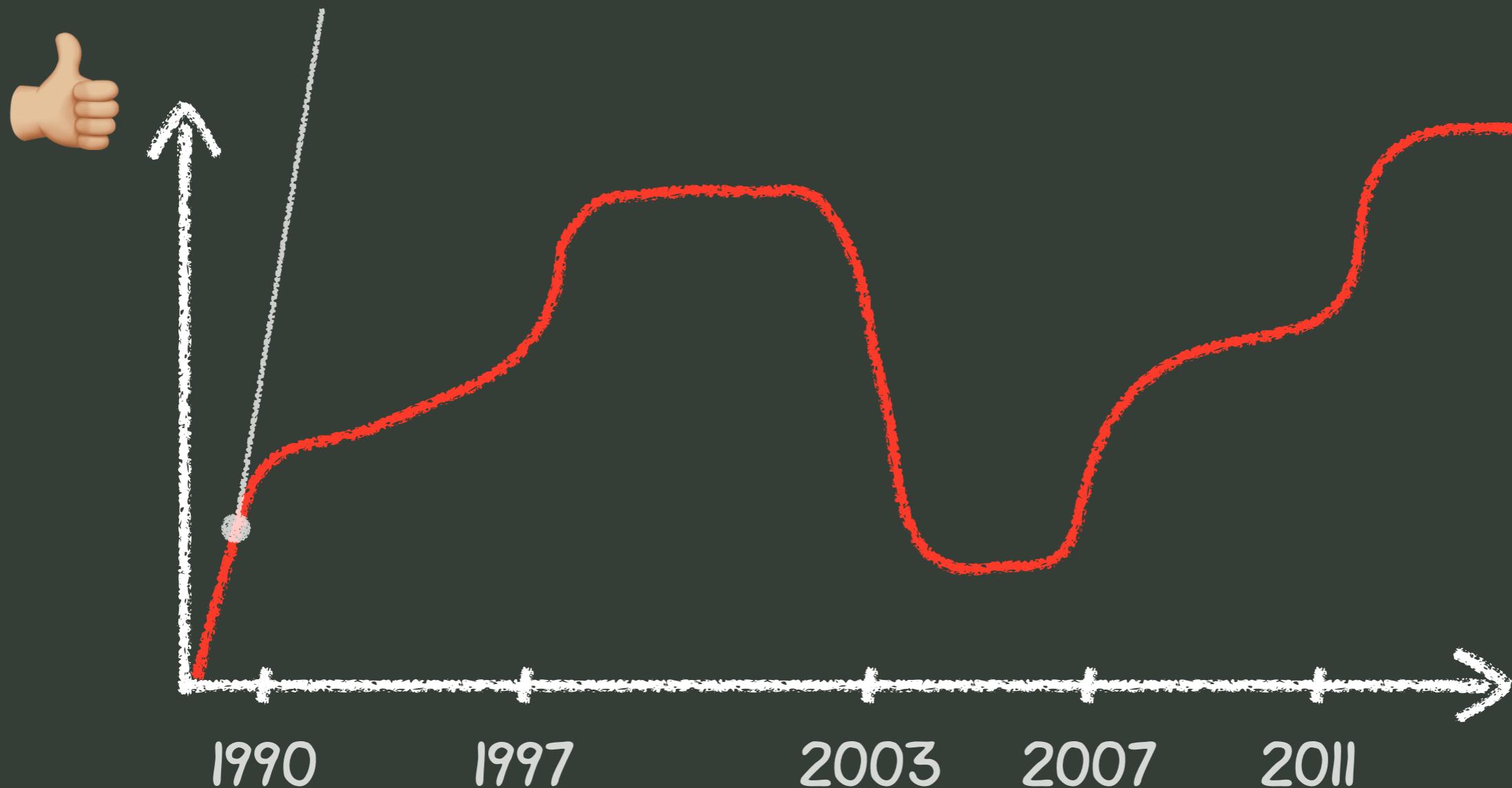


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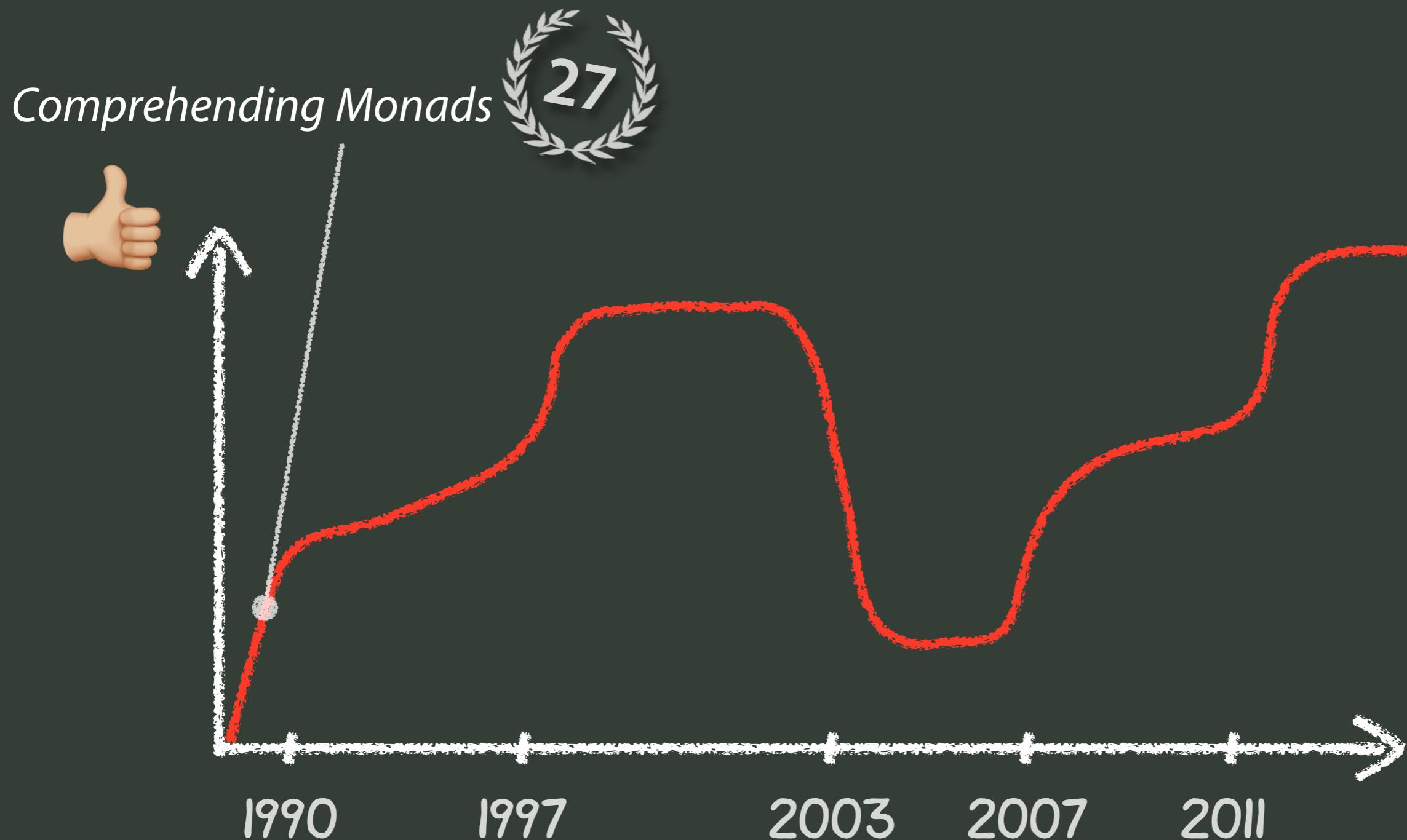


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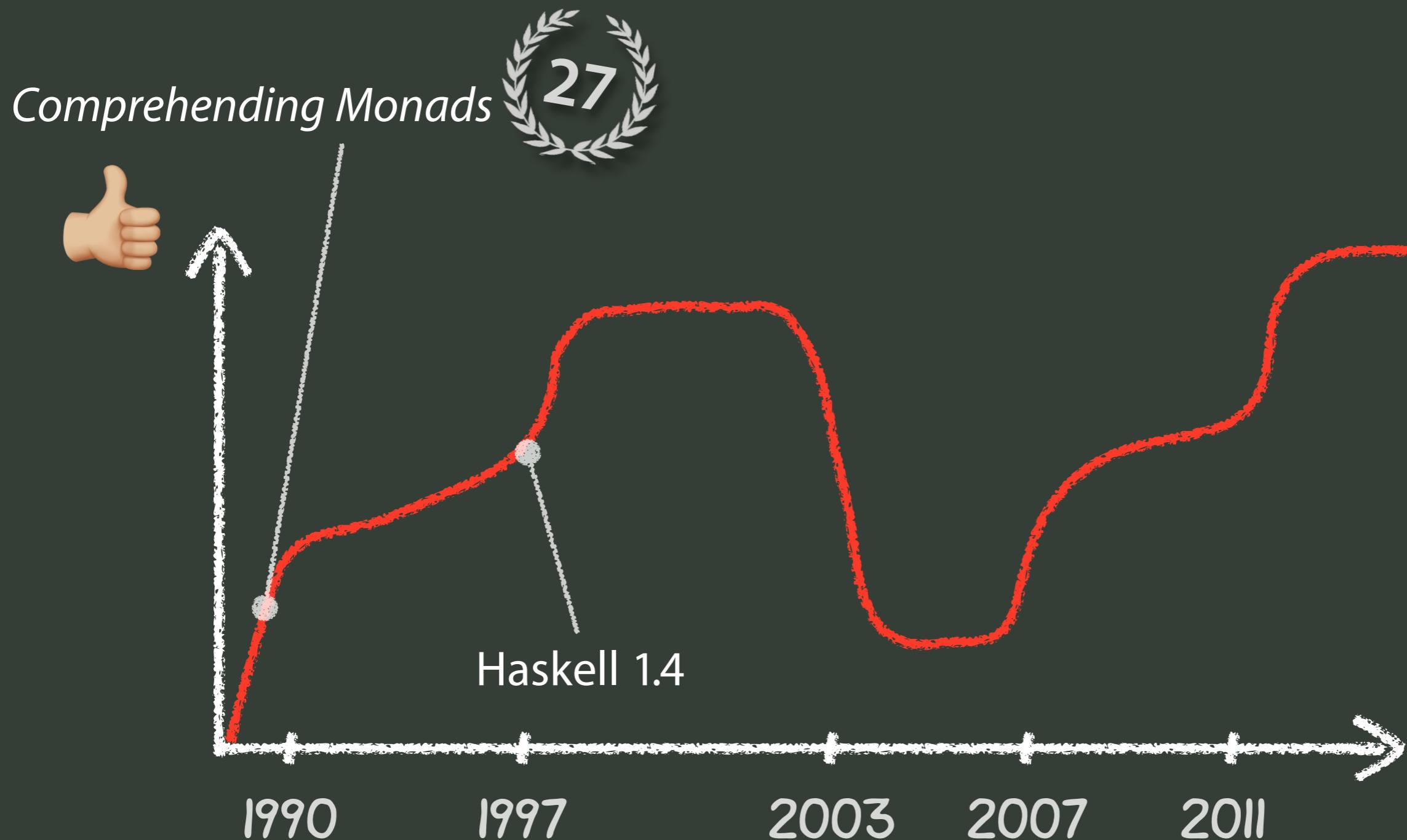
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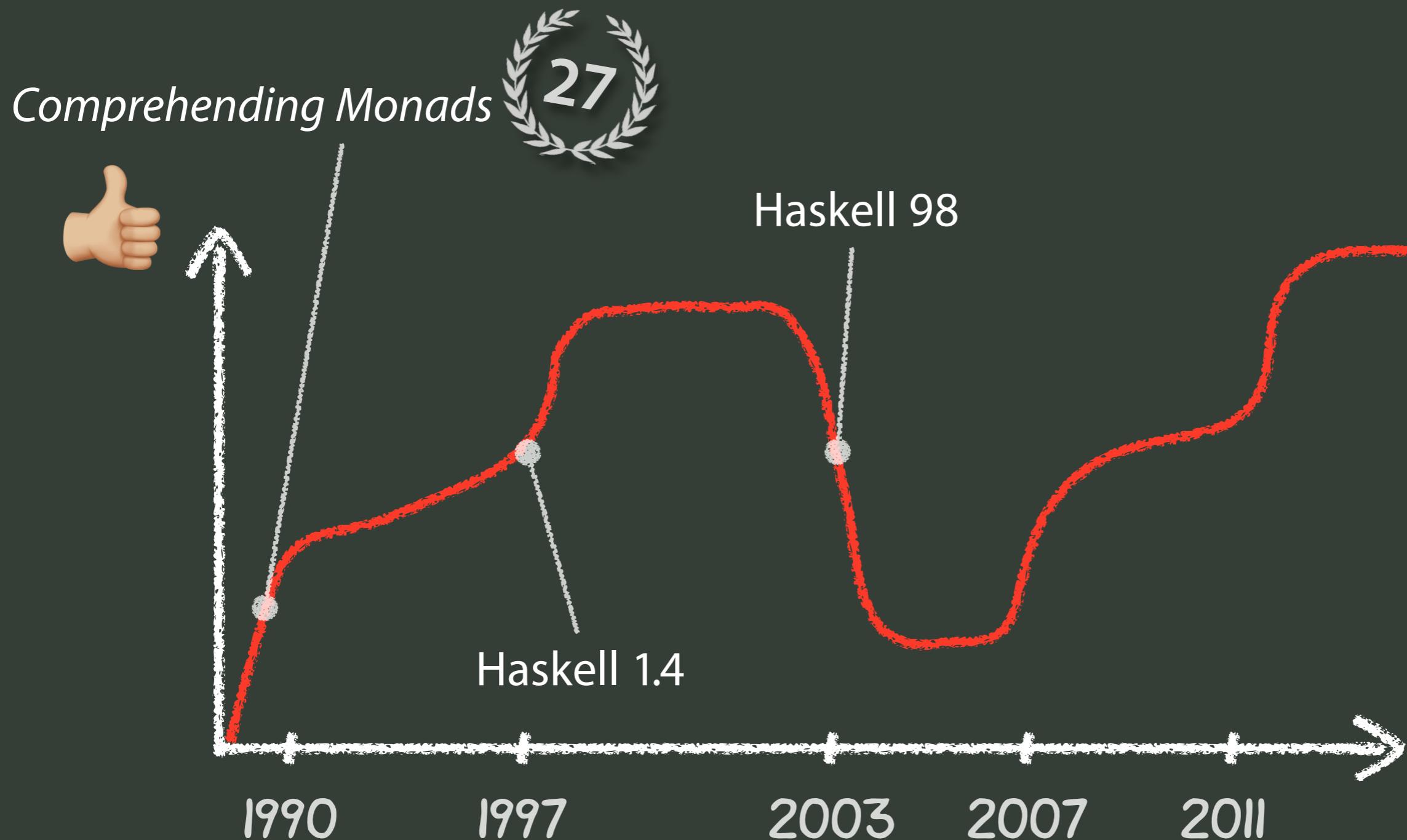
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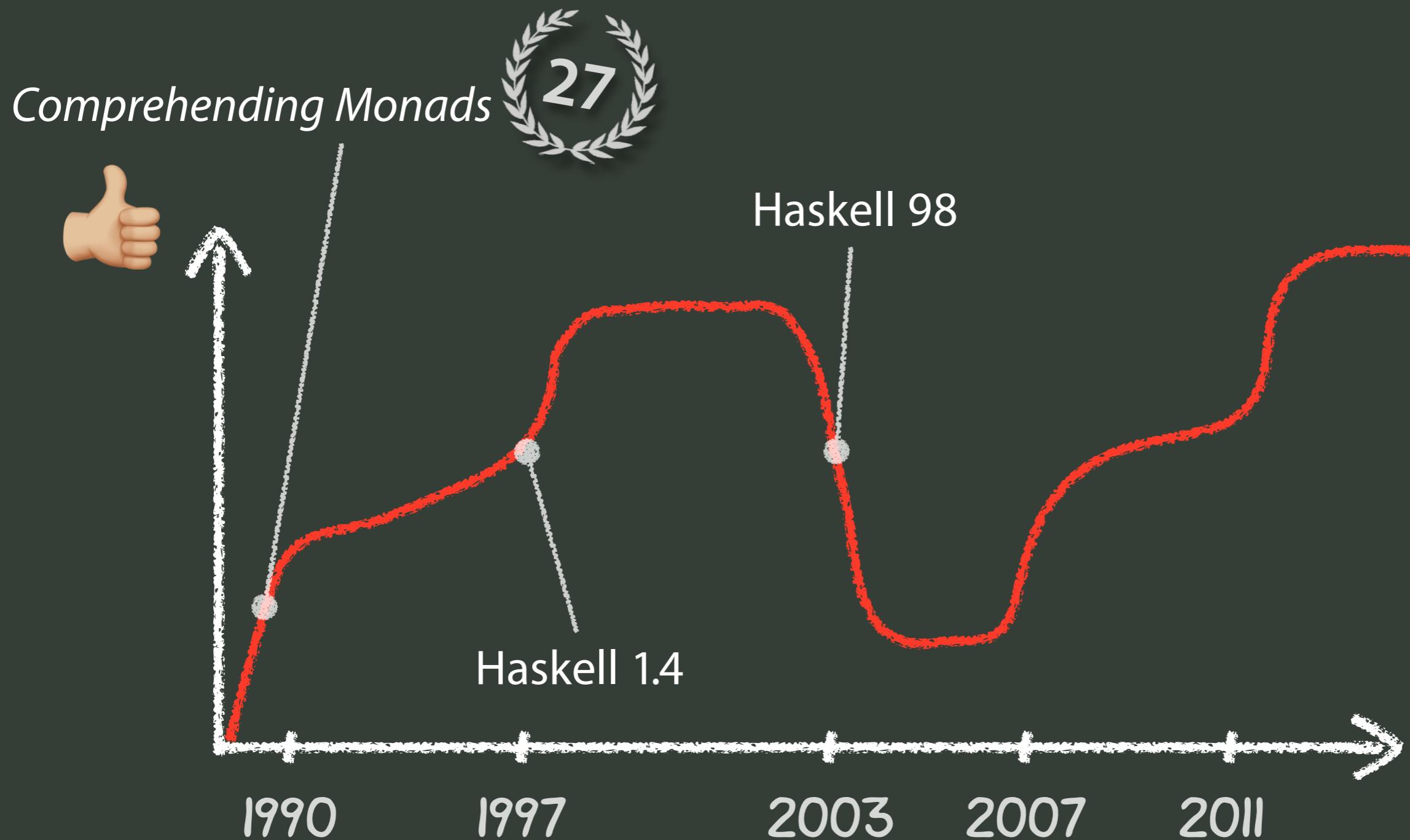
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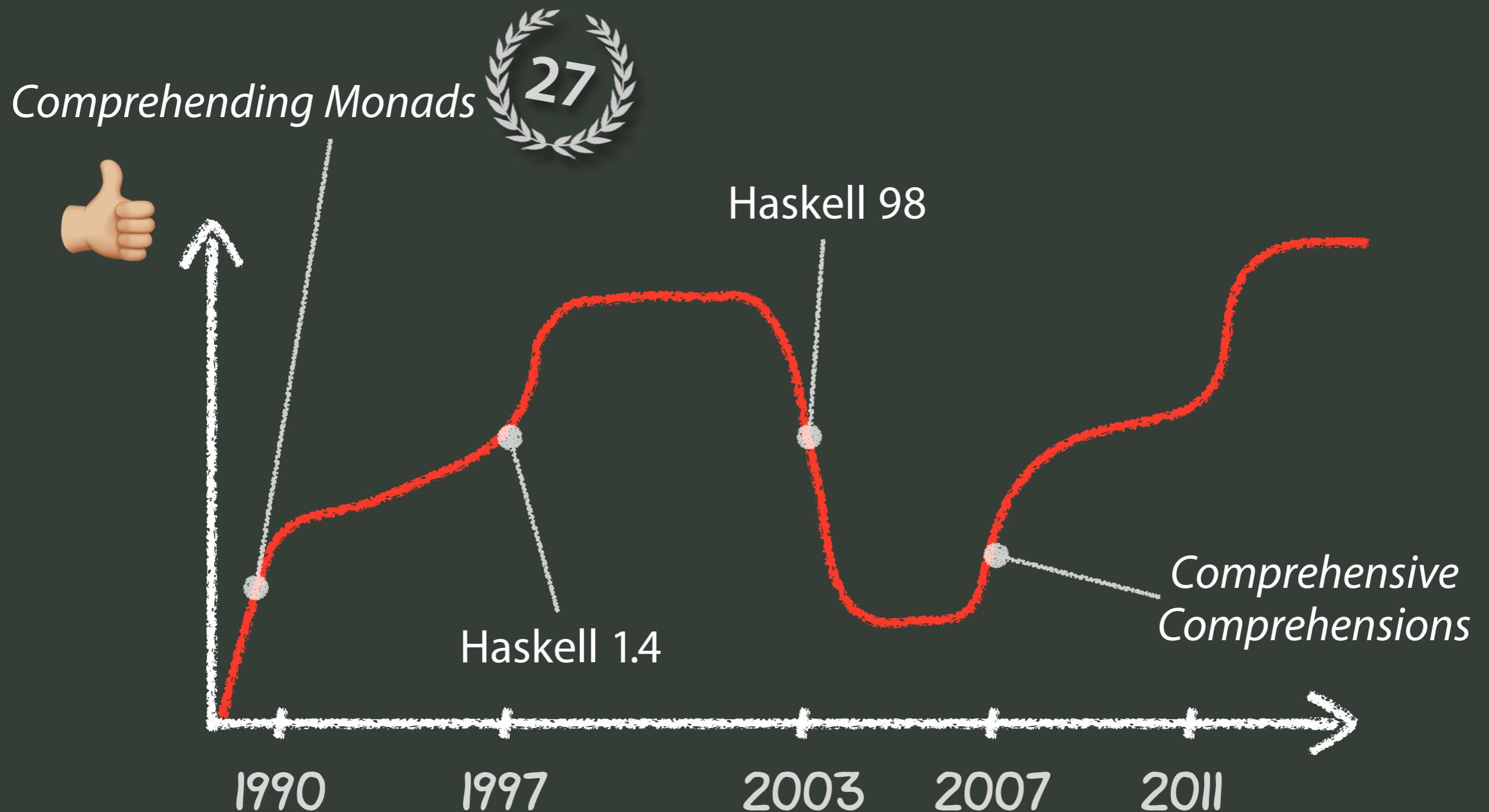
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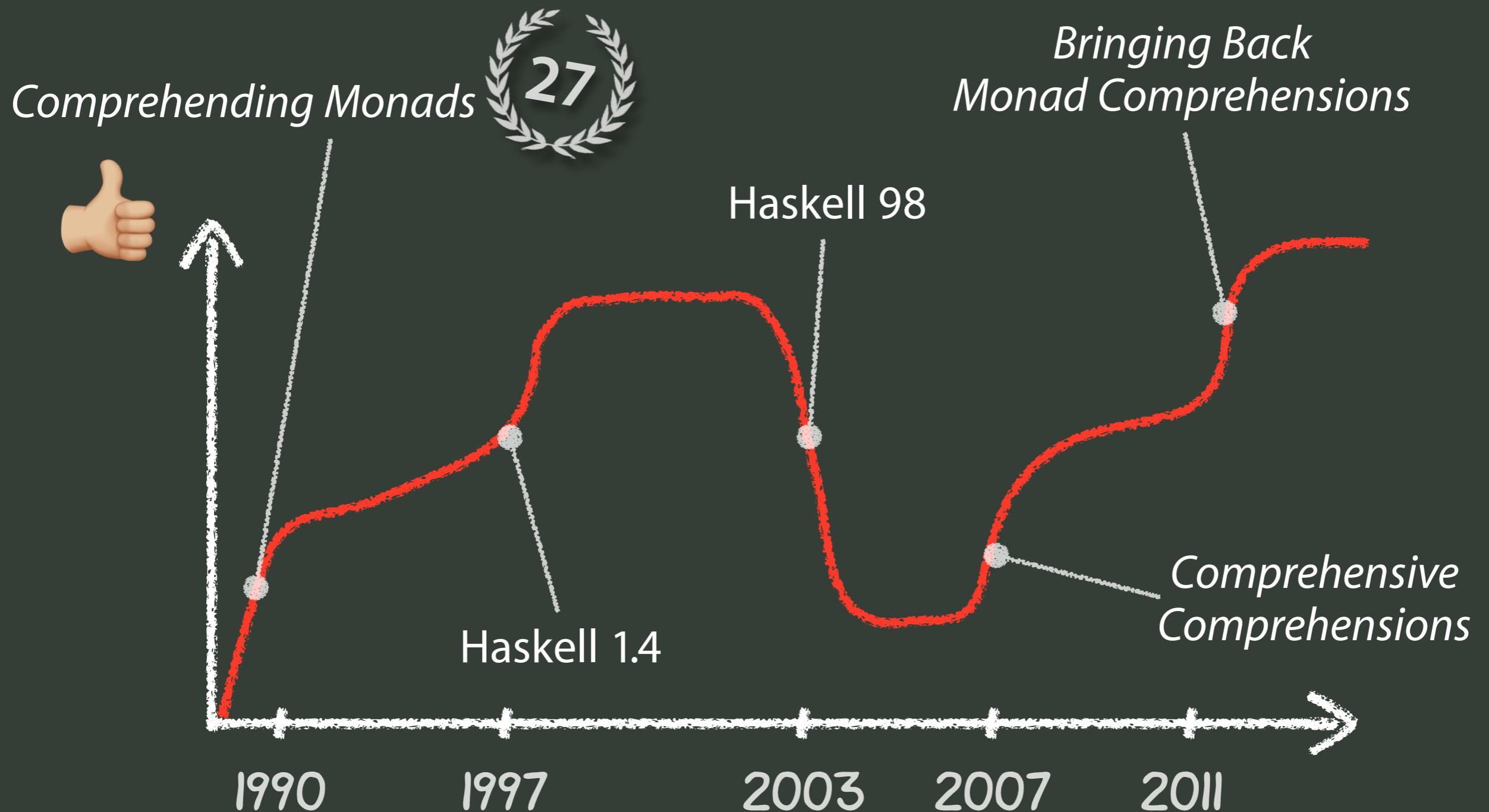
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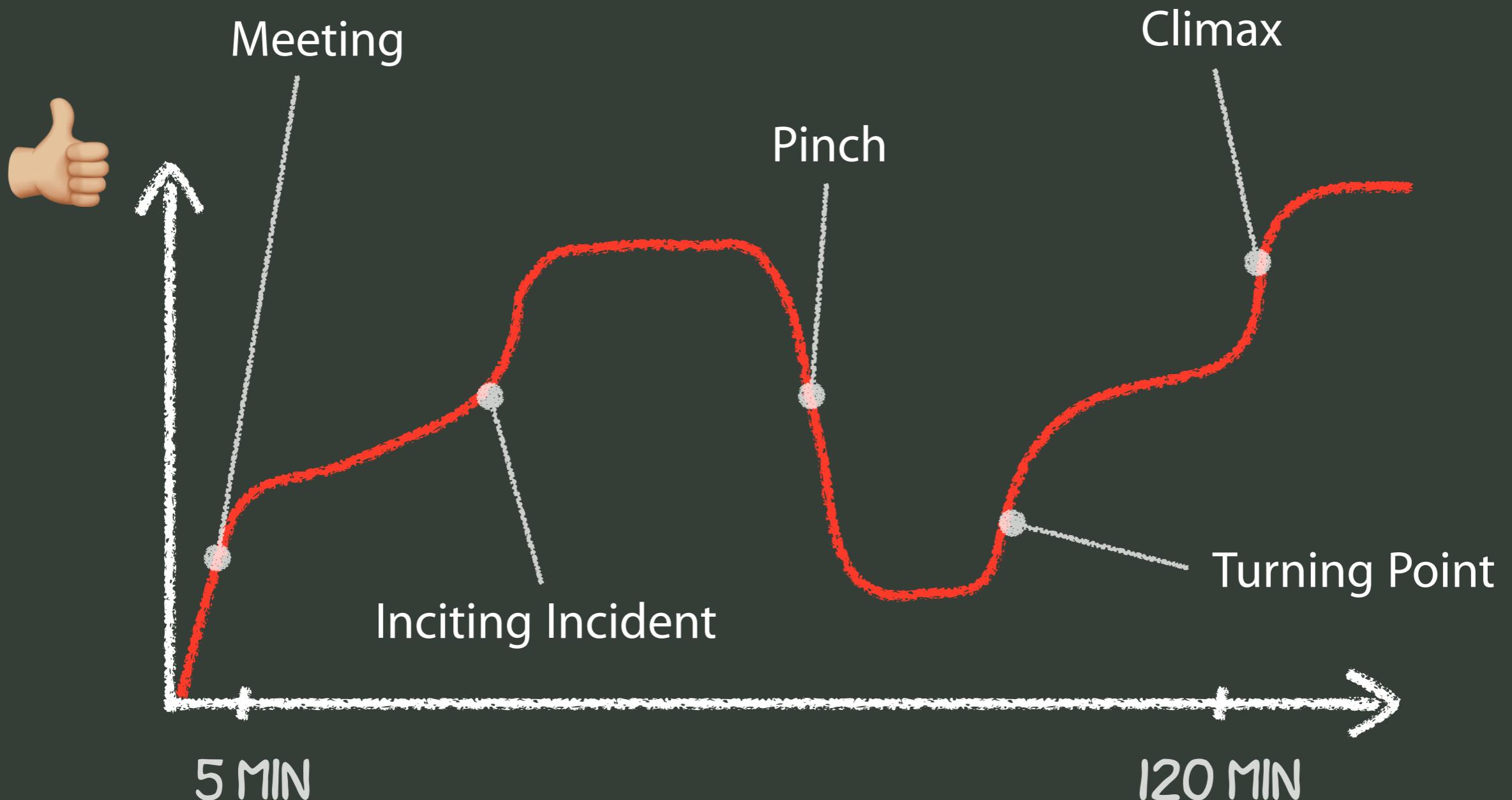
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AGGR

FROM

HAVING

ASC/DESC

ORDER BY

LIMIT

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```
[ sum salary
| (name, "MS", salary) <- employees
; then group using runs 3
; then take 5
]
```

row patterns!

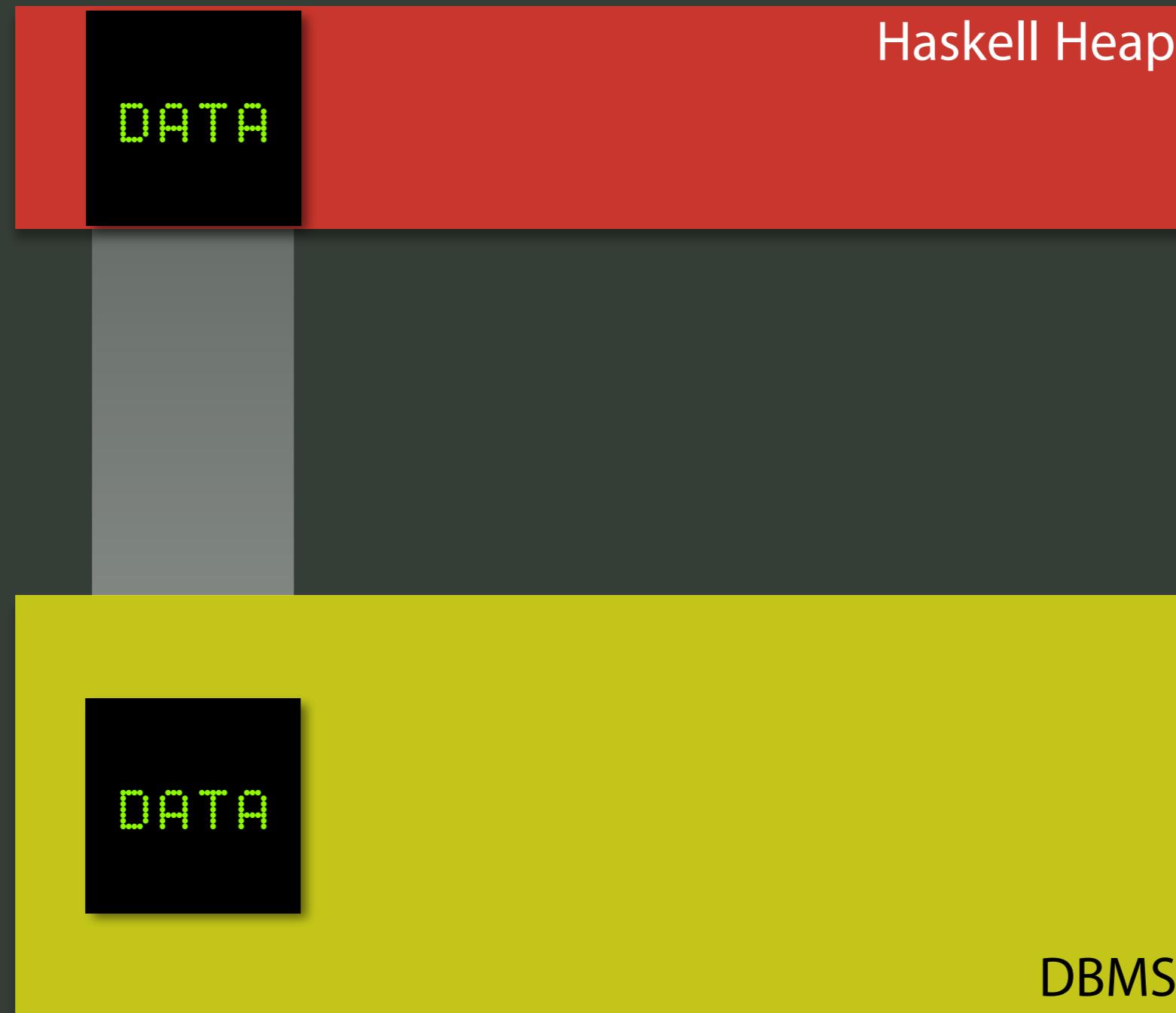
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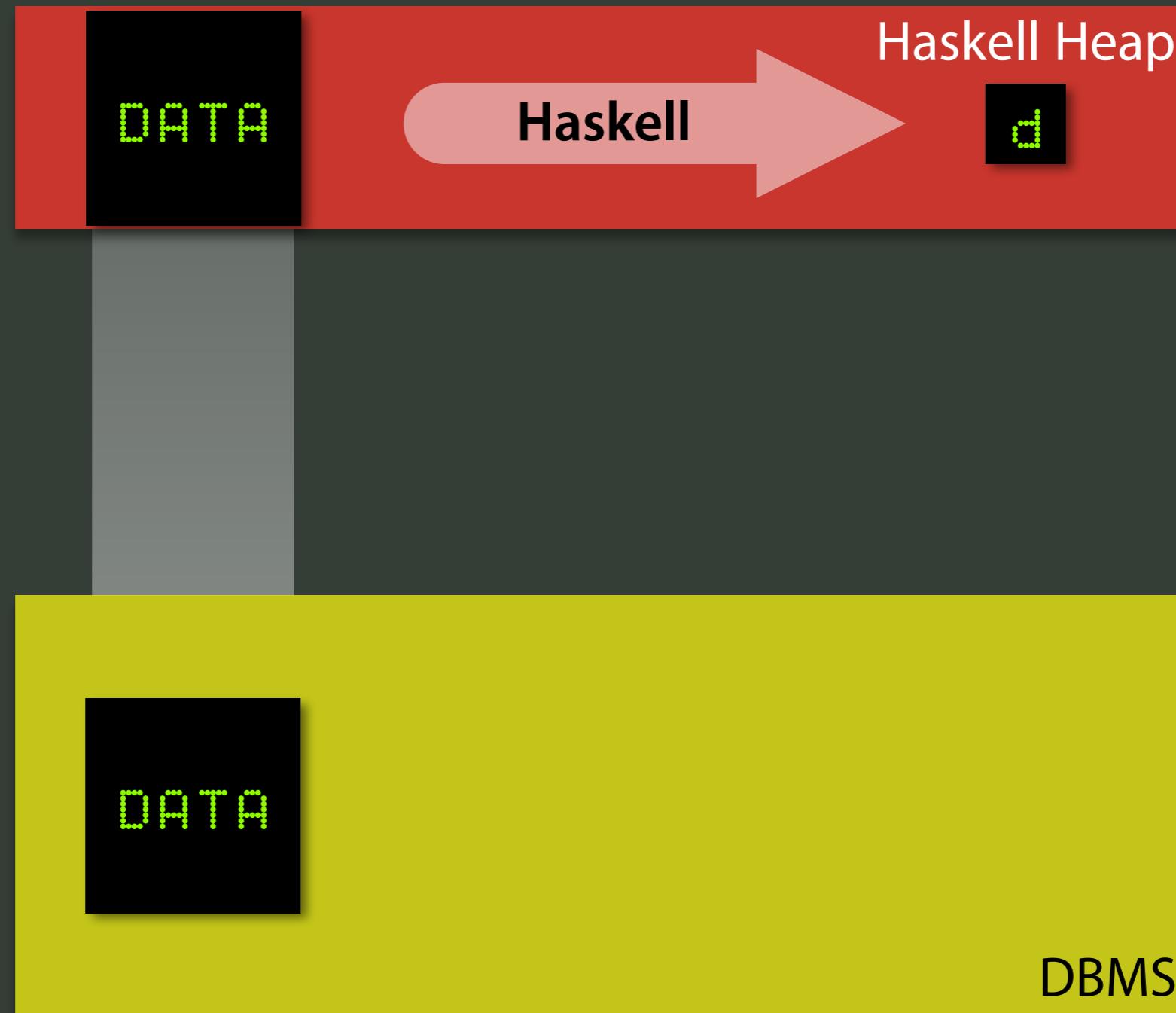
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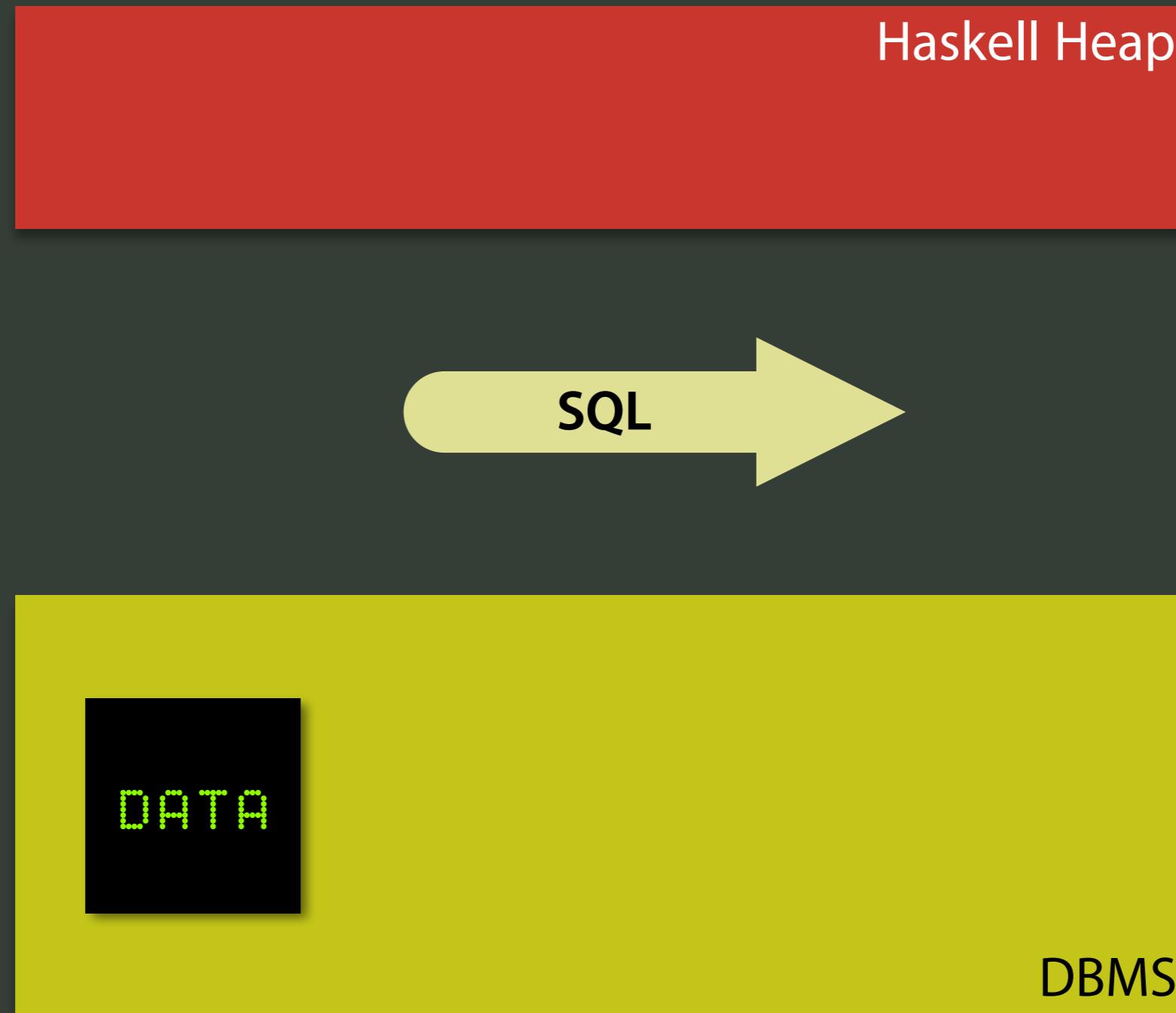
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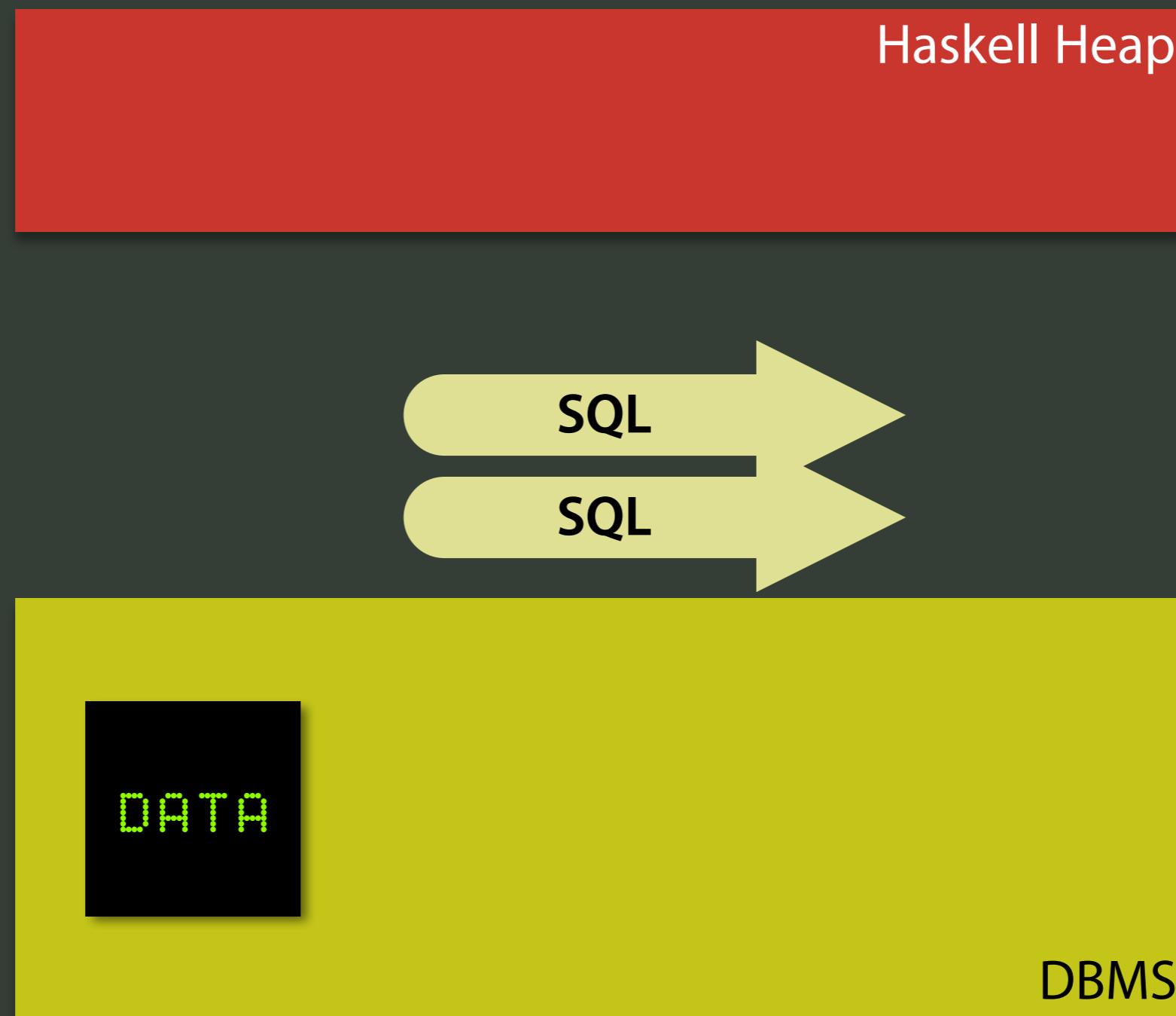
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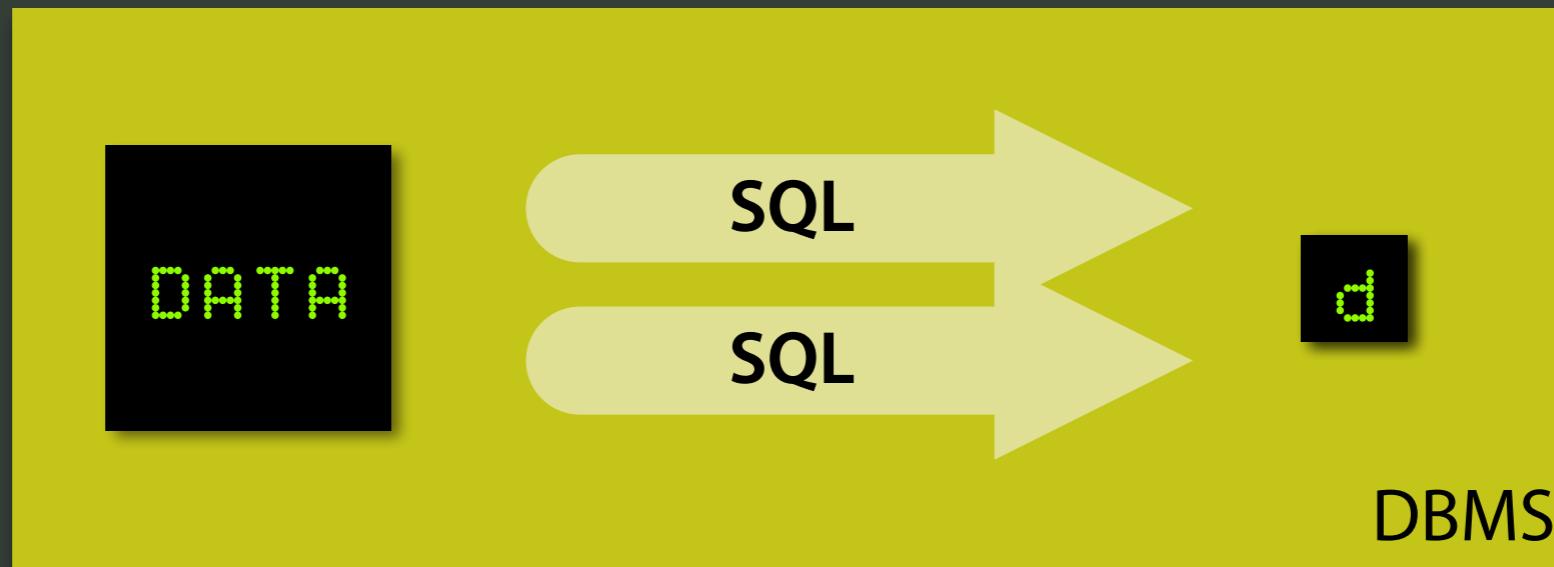
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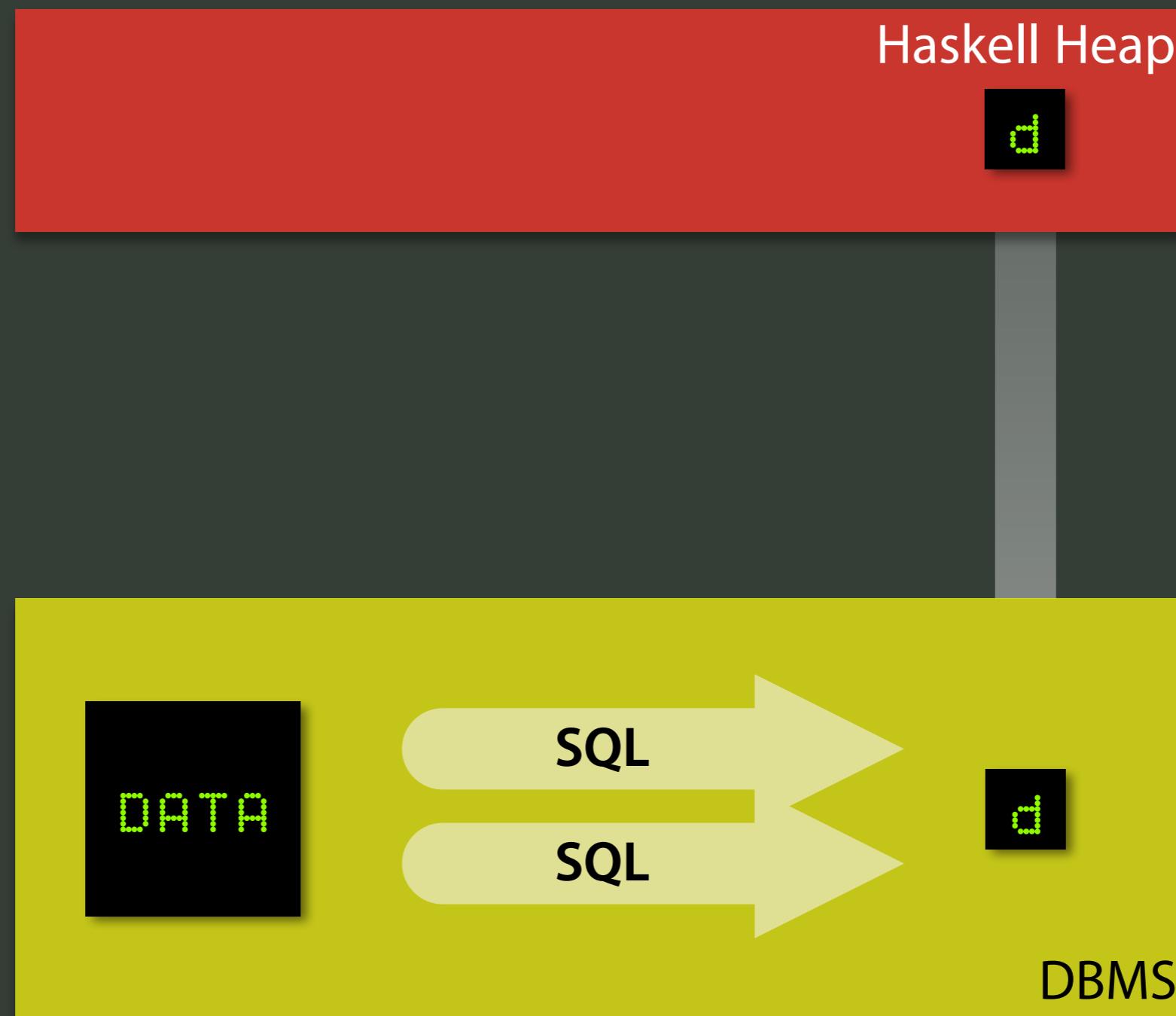
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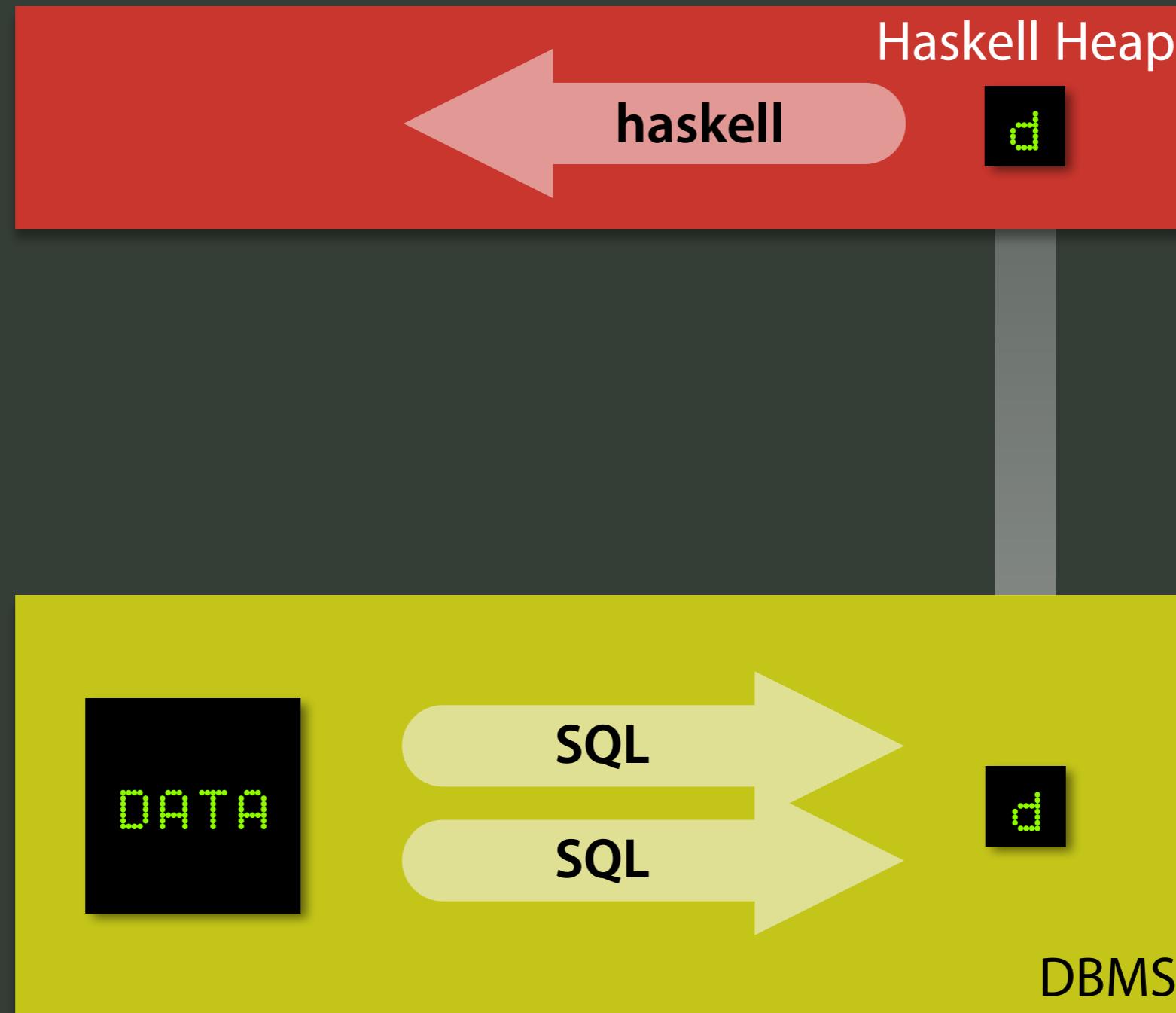
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| id     | ts | day    | price |  |
| ACME   | 1  | 7/1/15 | 3.0   |  |
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SELECT MAX(margins.price - margins.min)
FROM
  (SELECT t.price,
          MIN(t.price)
       OVER (ORDER BY t.ts ROW BETWEEN
             UNBOUNDED PRECEDING
             AND CURRENT ROW)
    FROM trades AS t
   WHERE t.id = 'ACME'
     AND t.day = '07/01/2015'
  ) AS margins(price, min)
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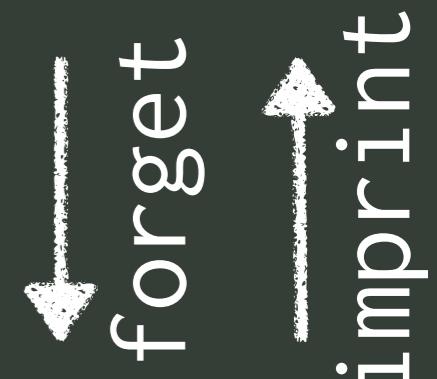


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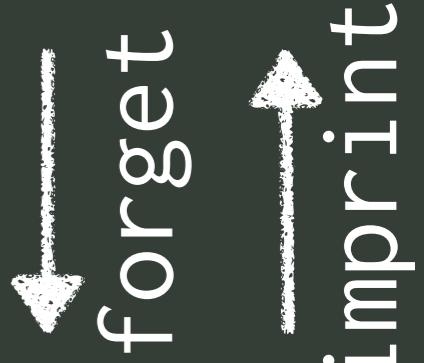
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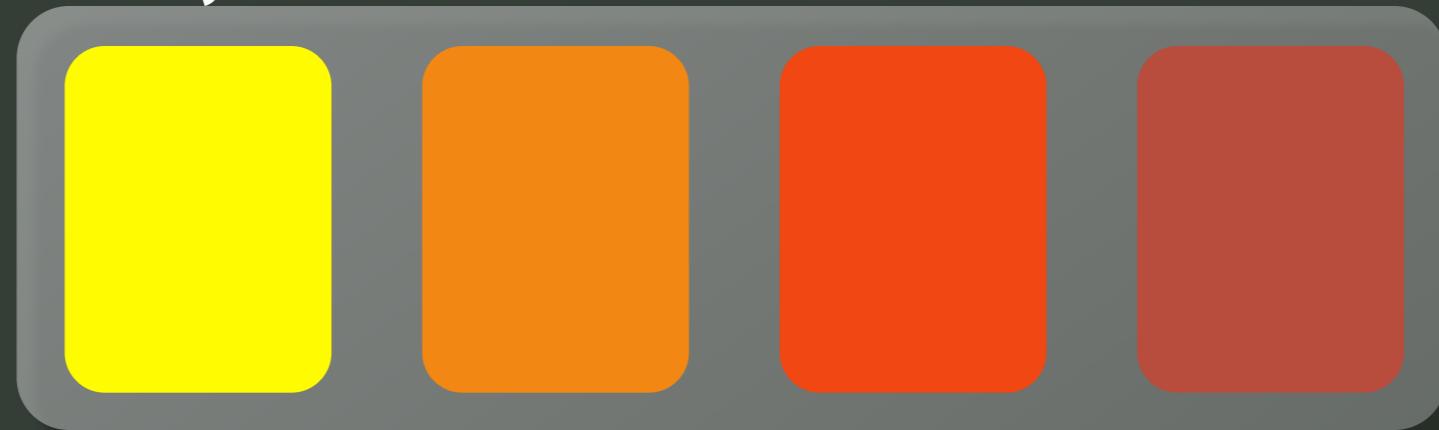
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