

# Securing data in compromised clouds

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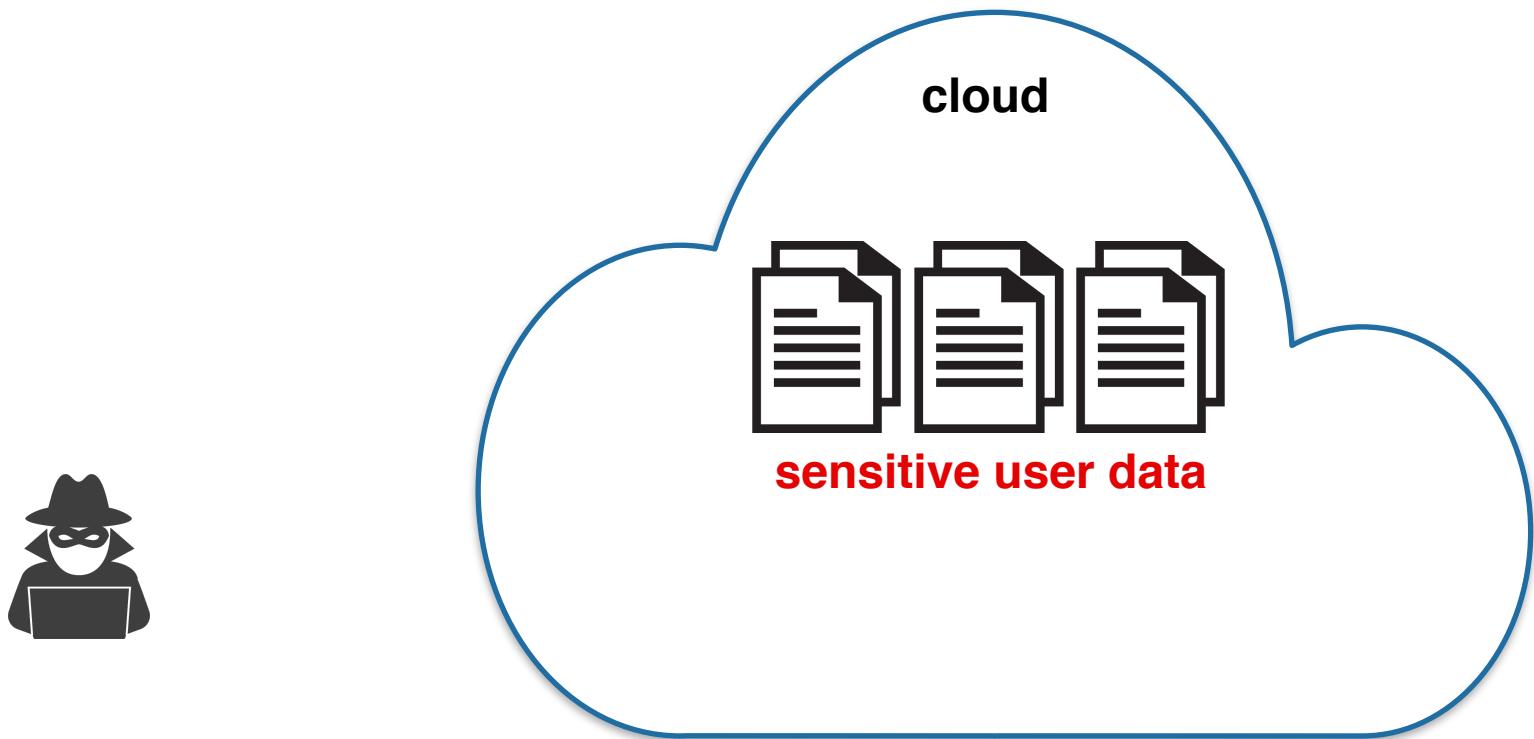
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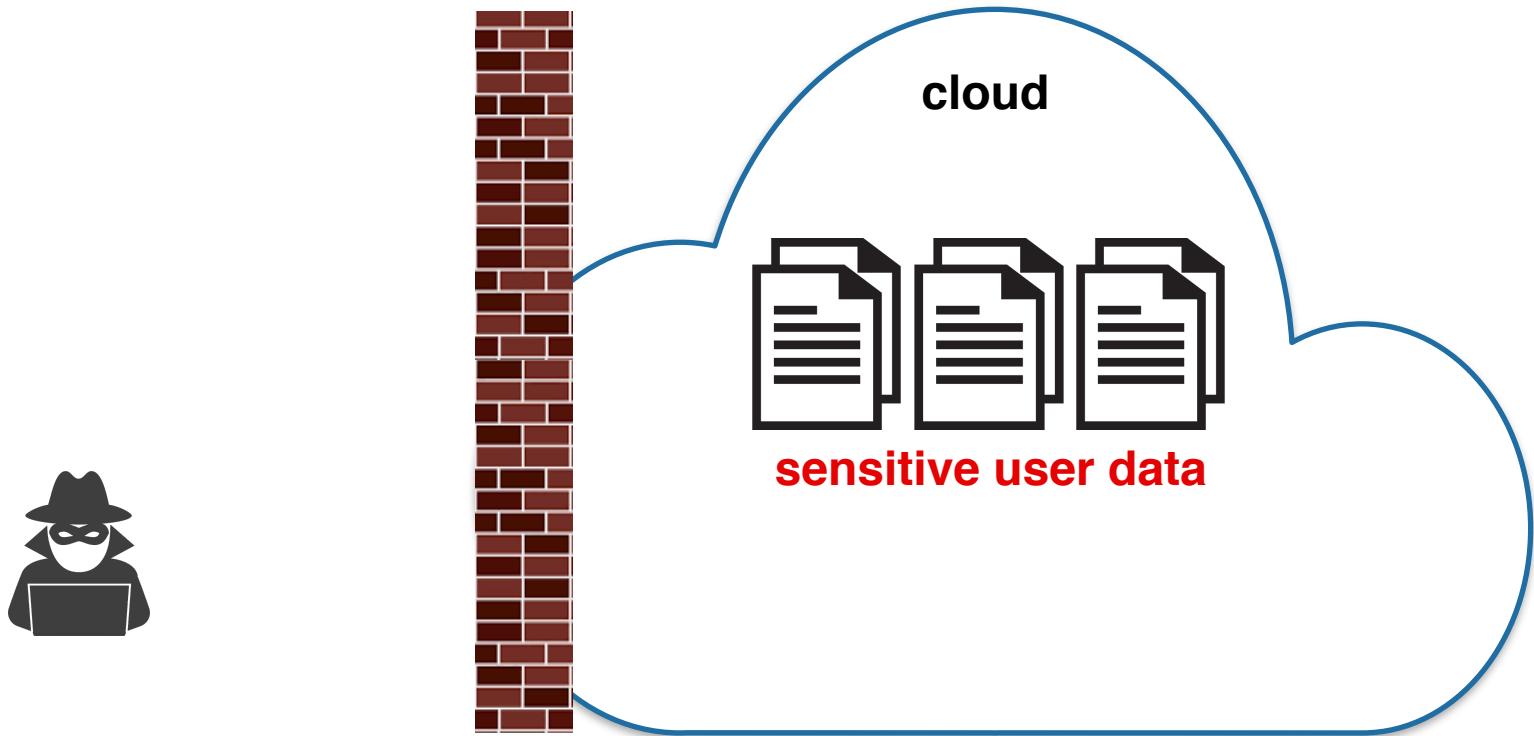
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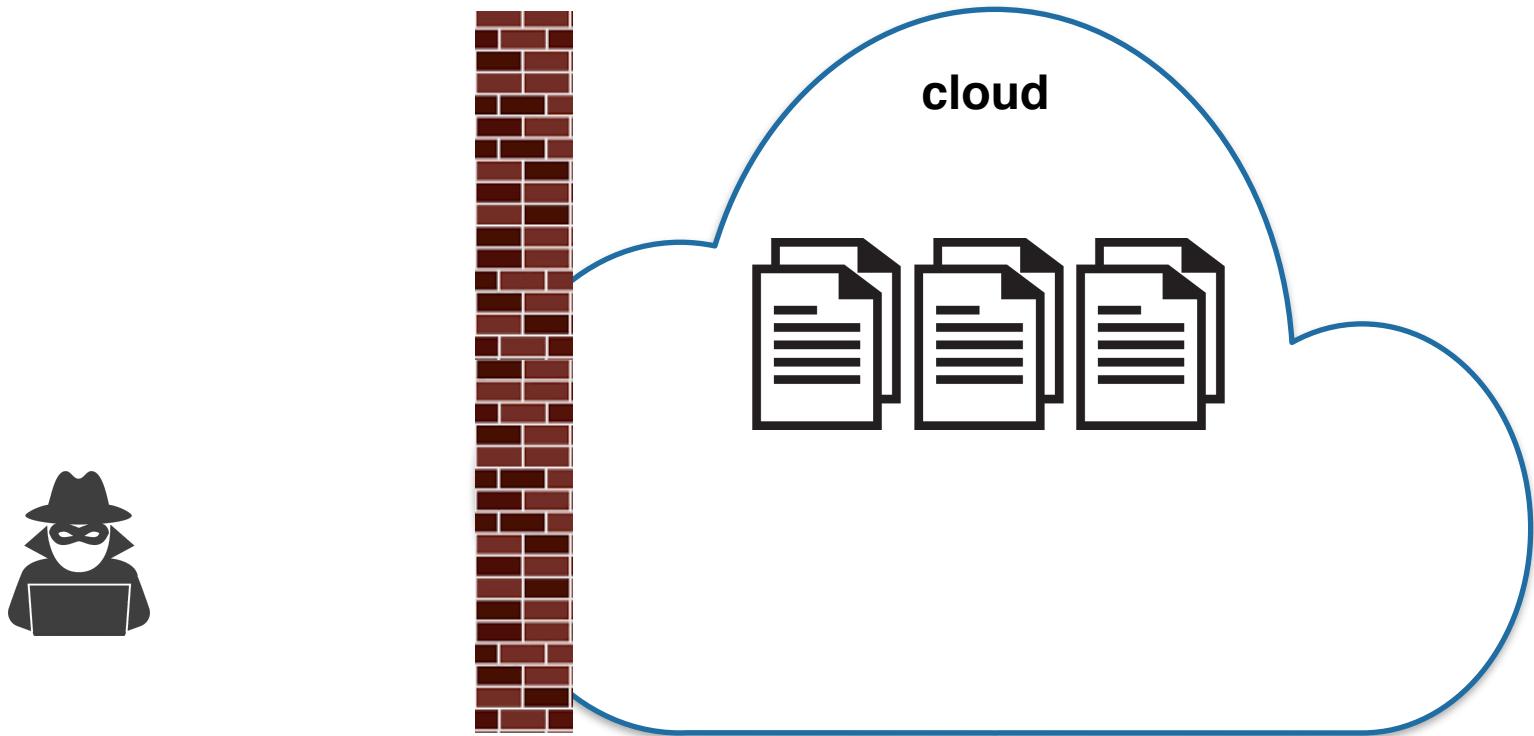
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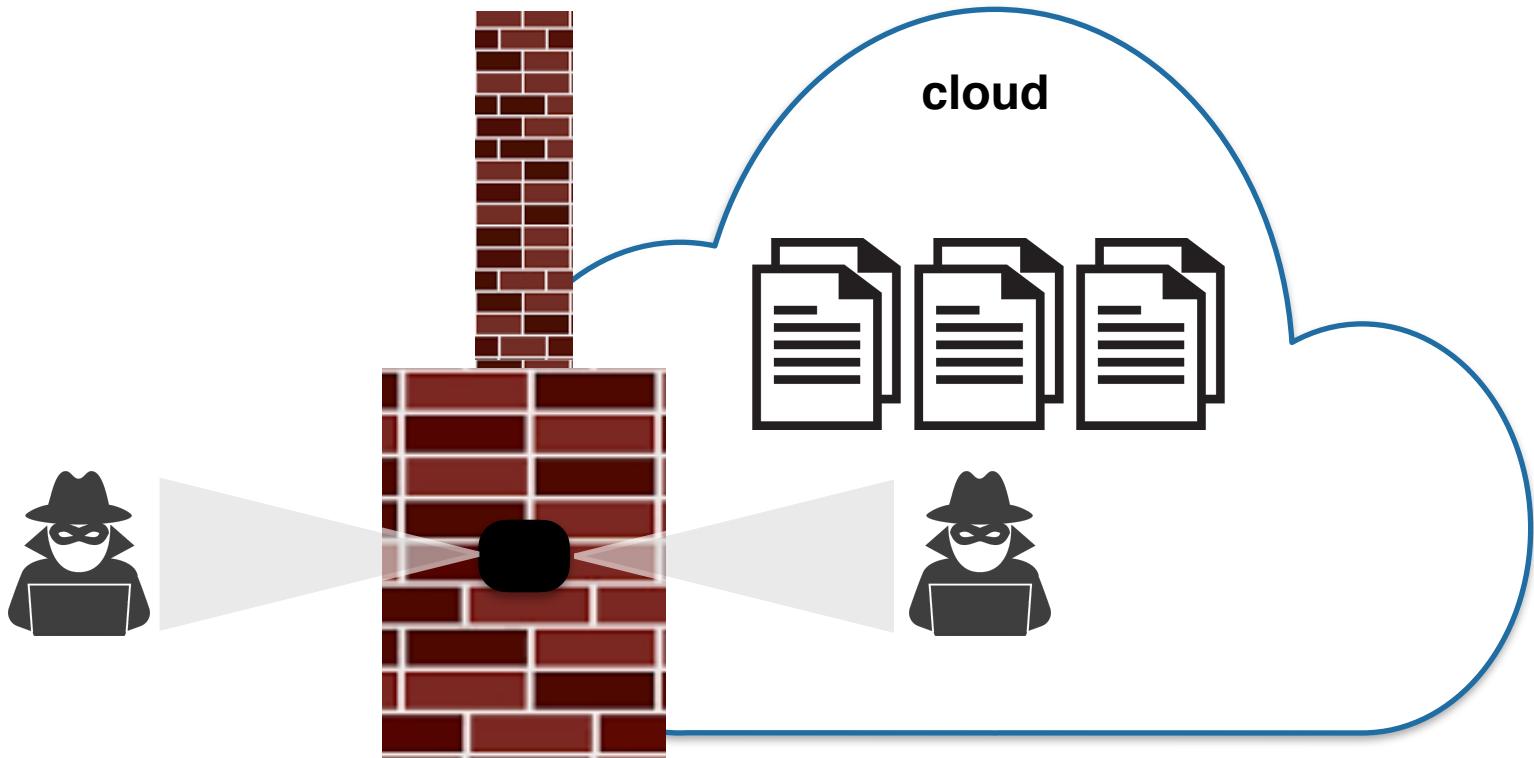
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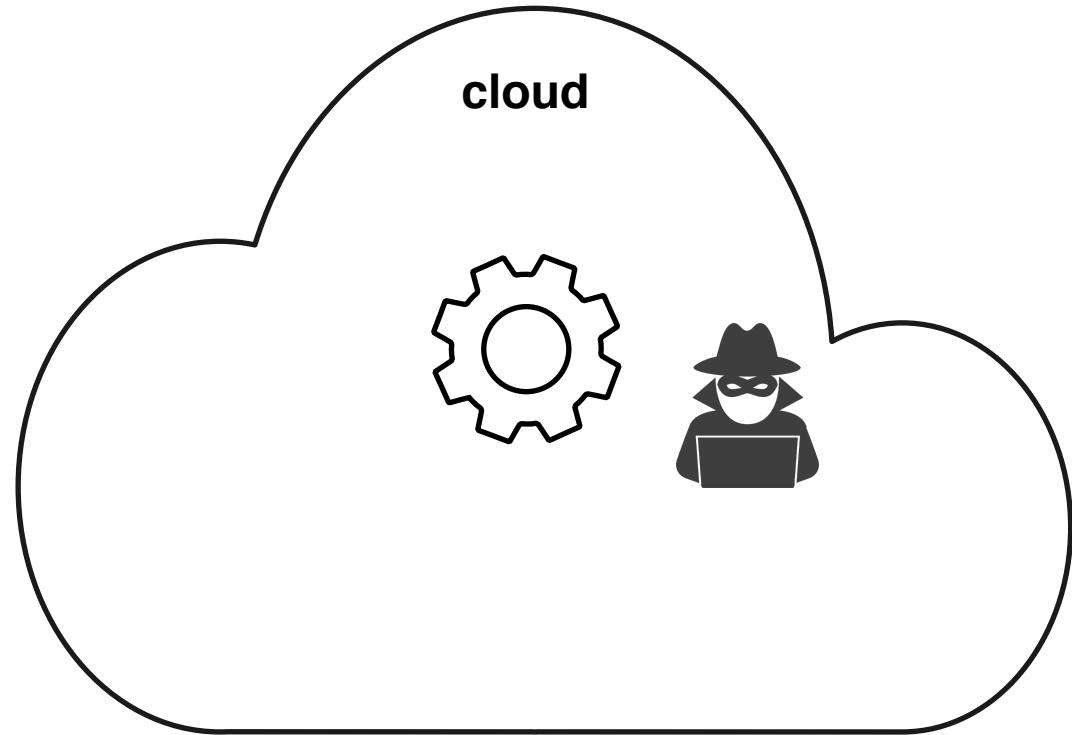
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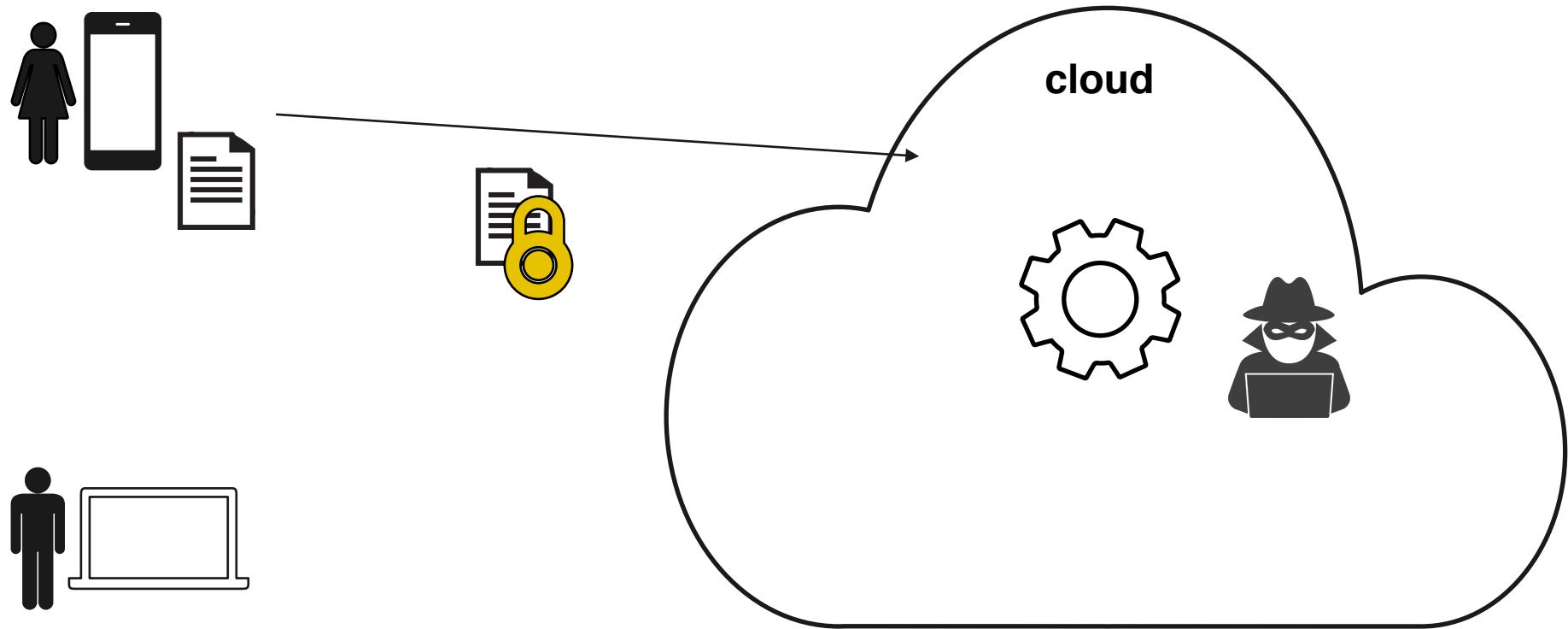


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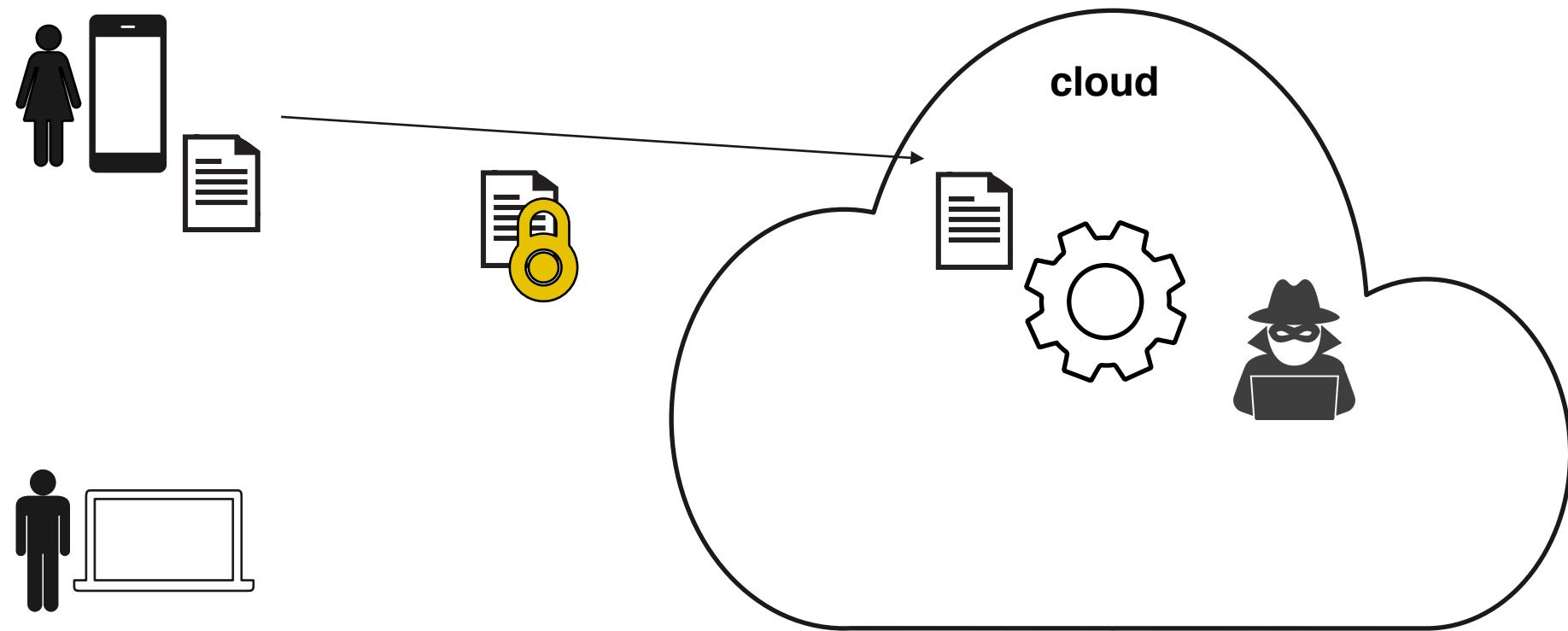
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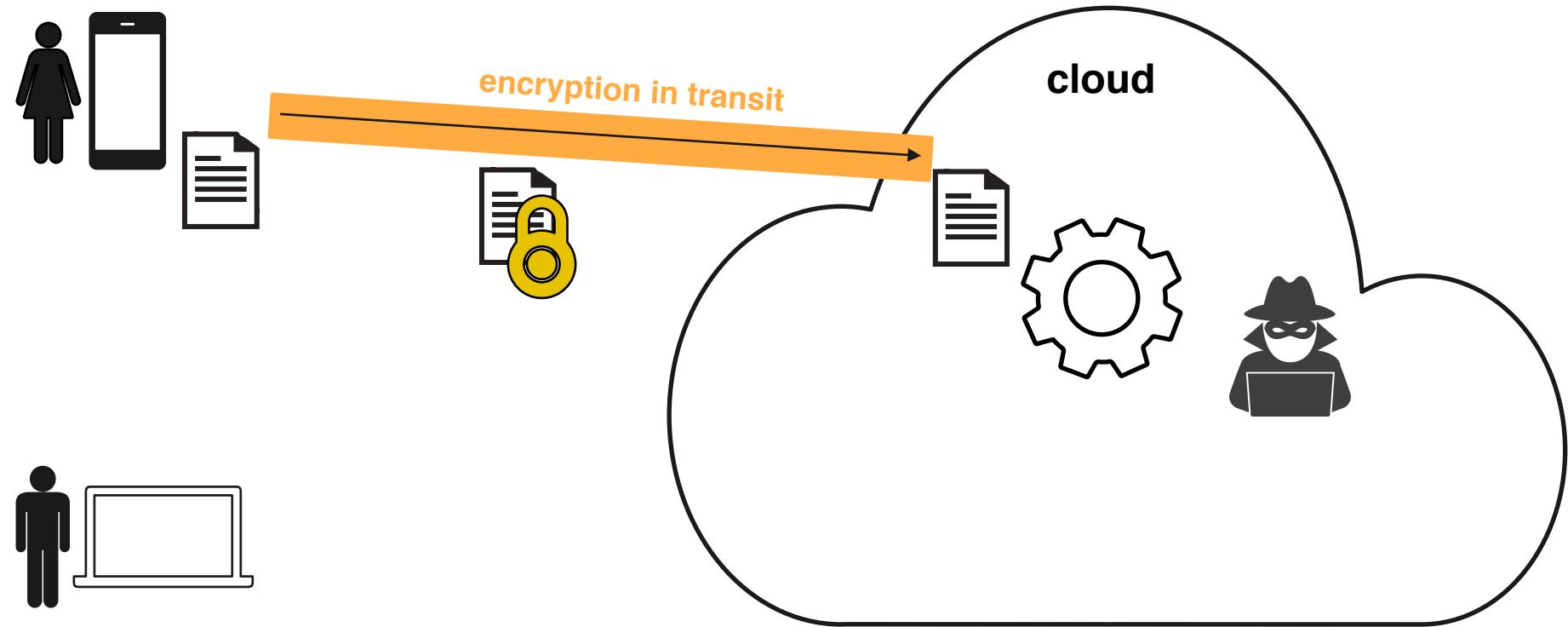
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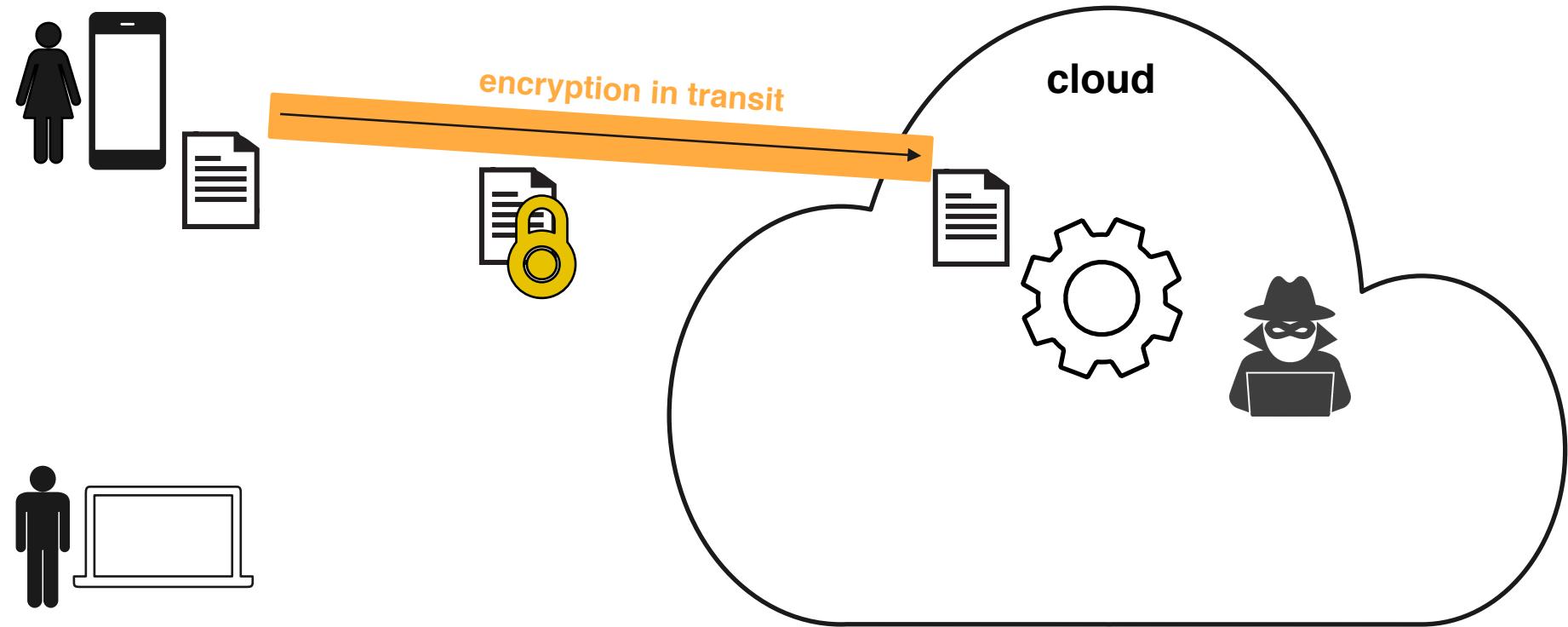
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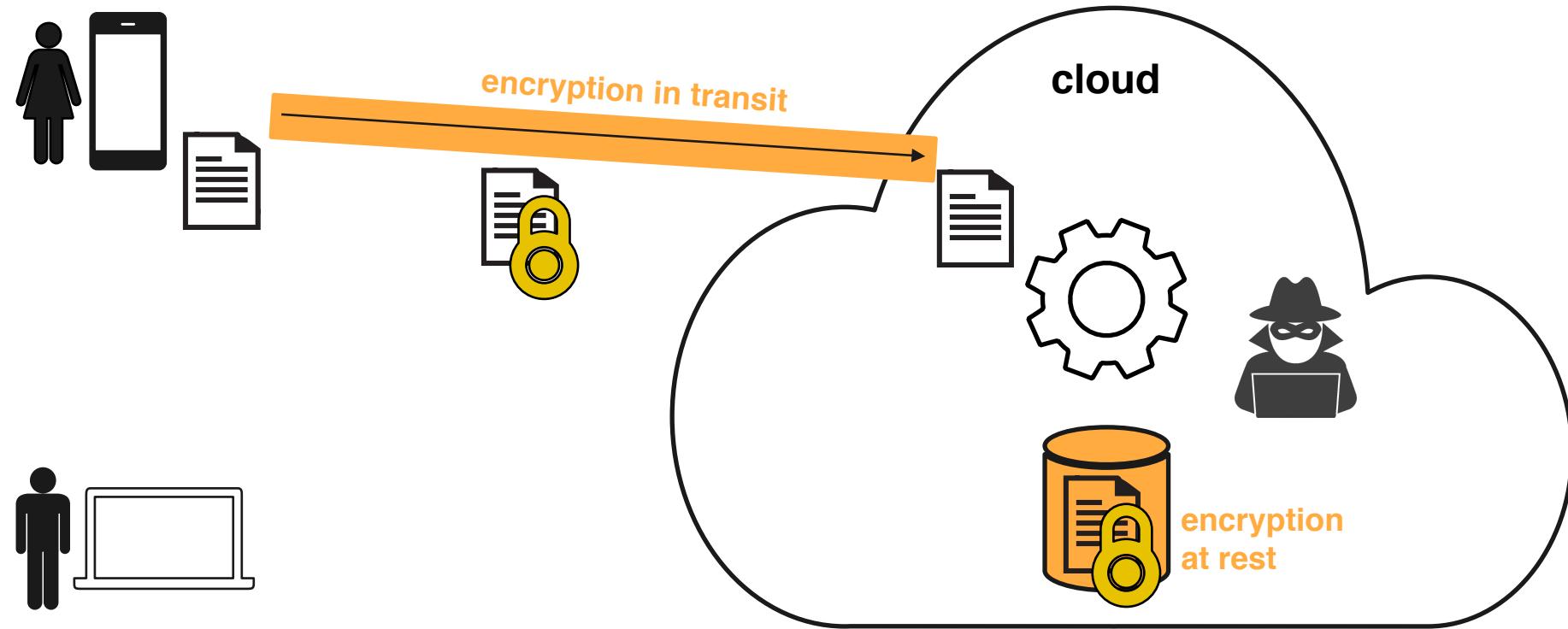
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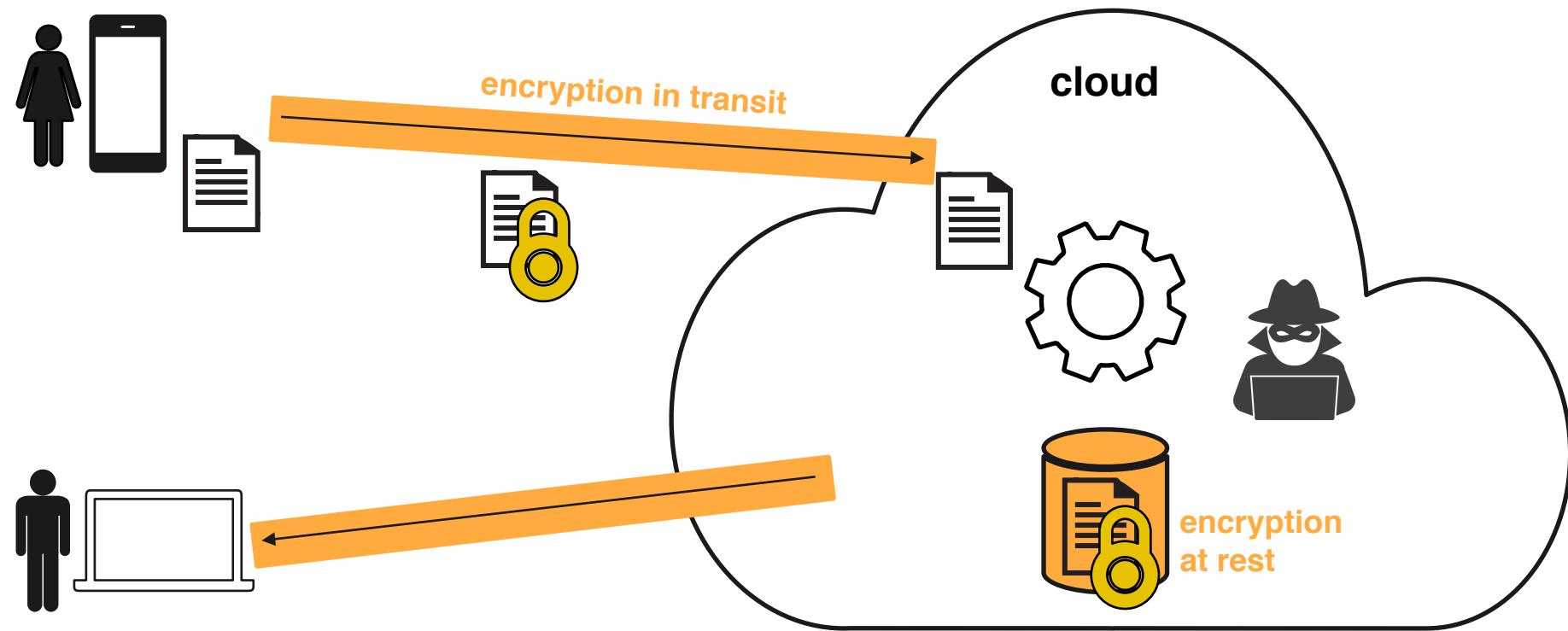
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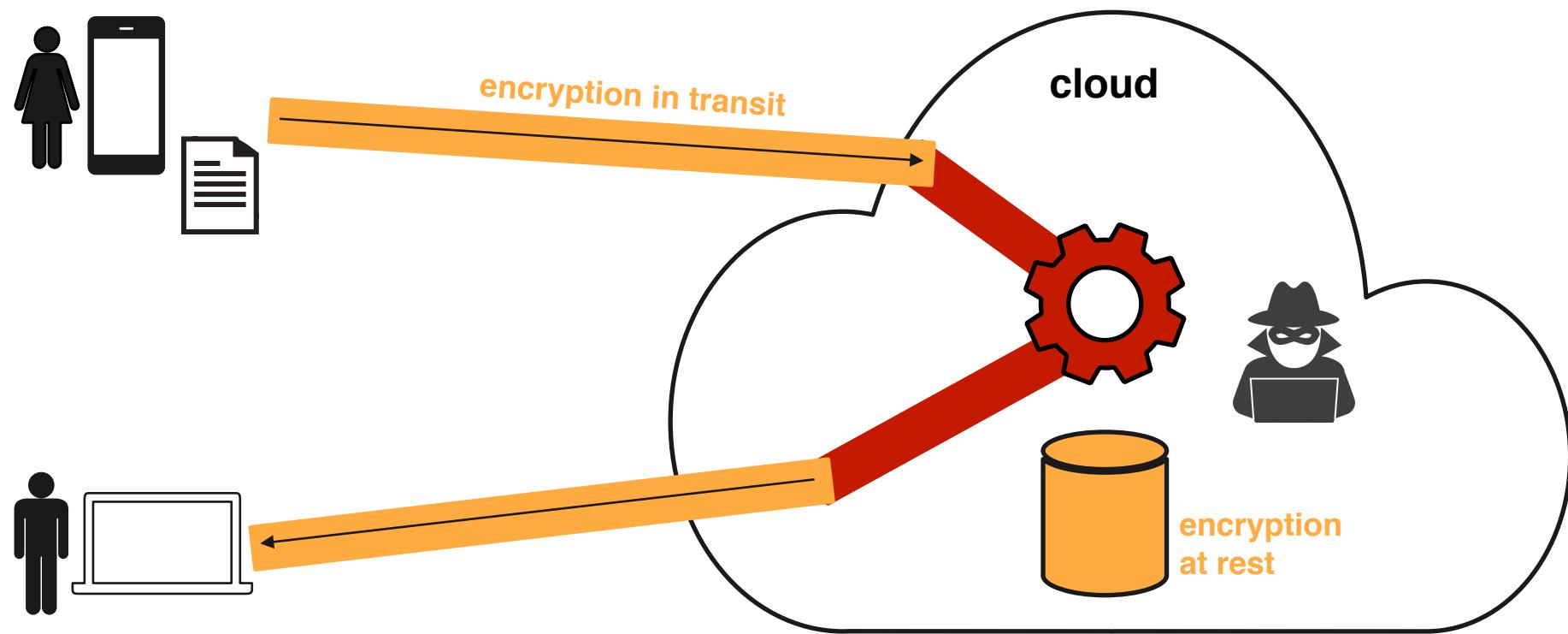
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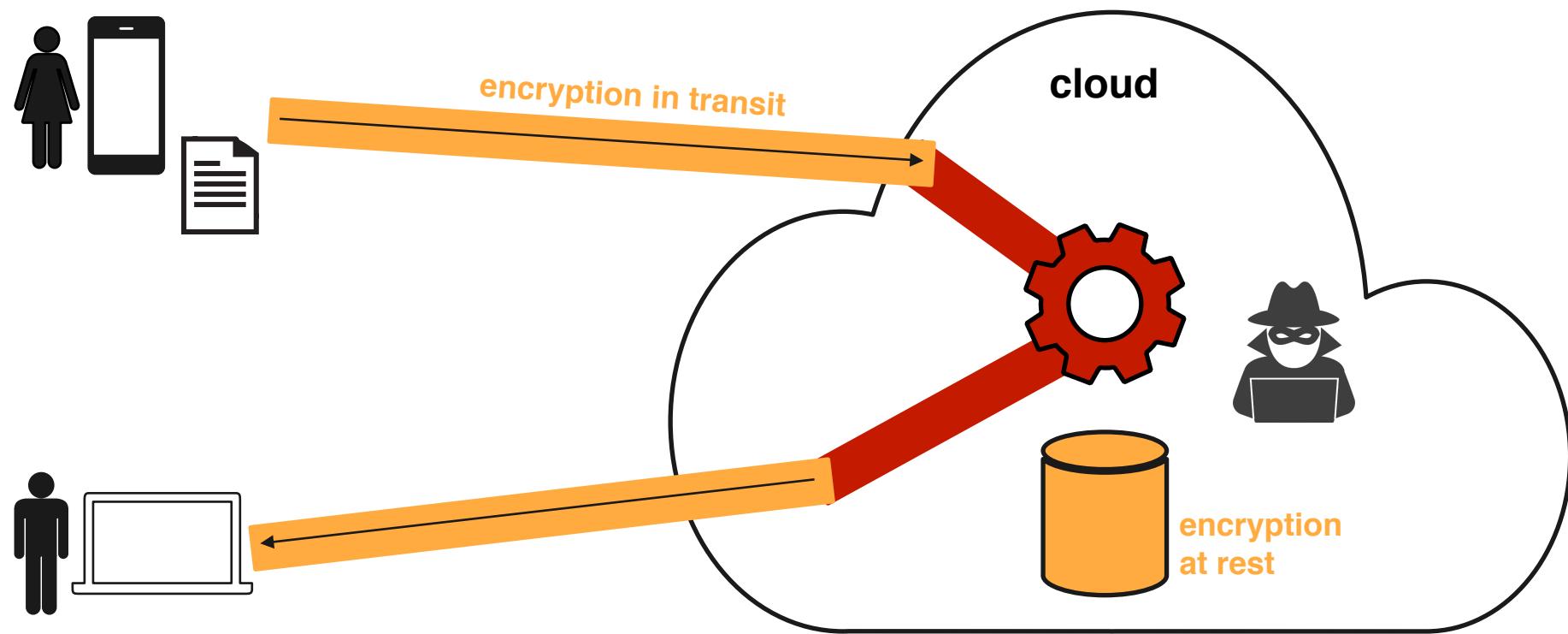
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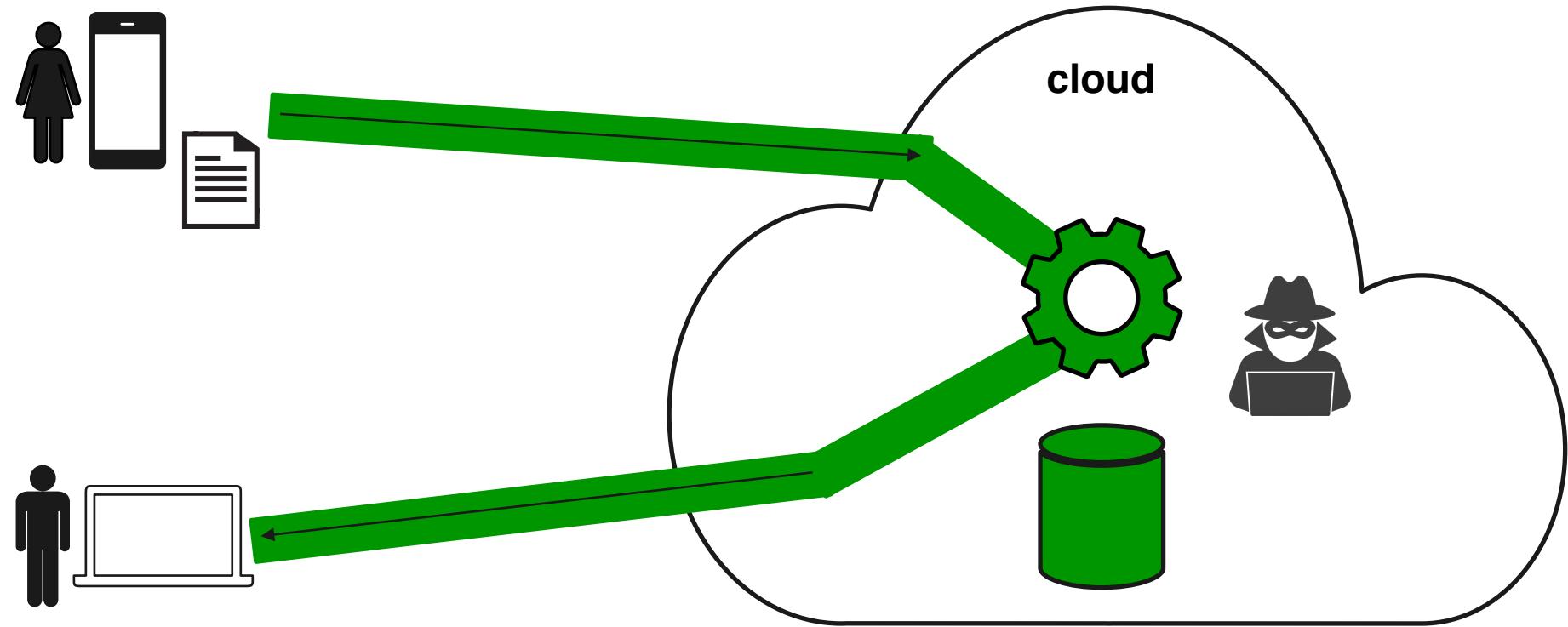
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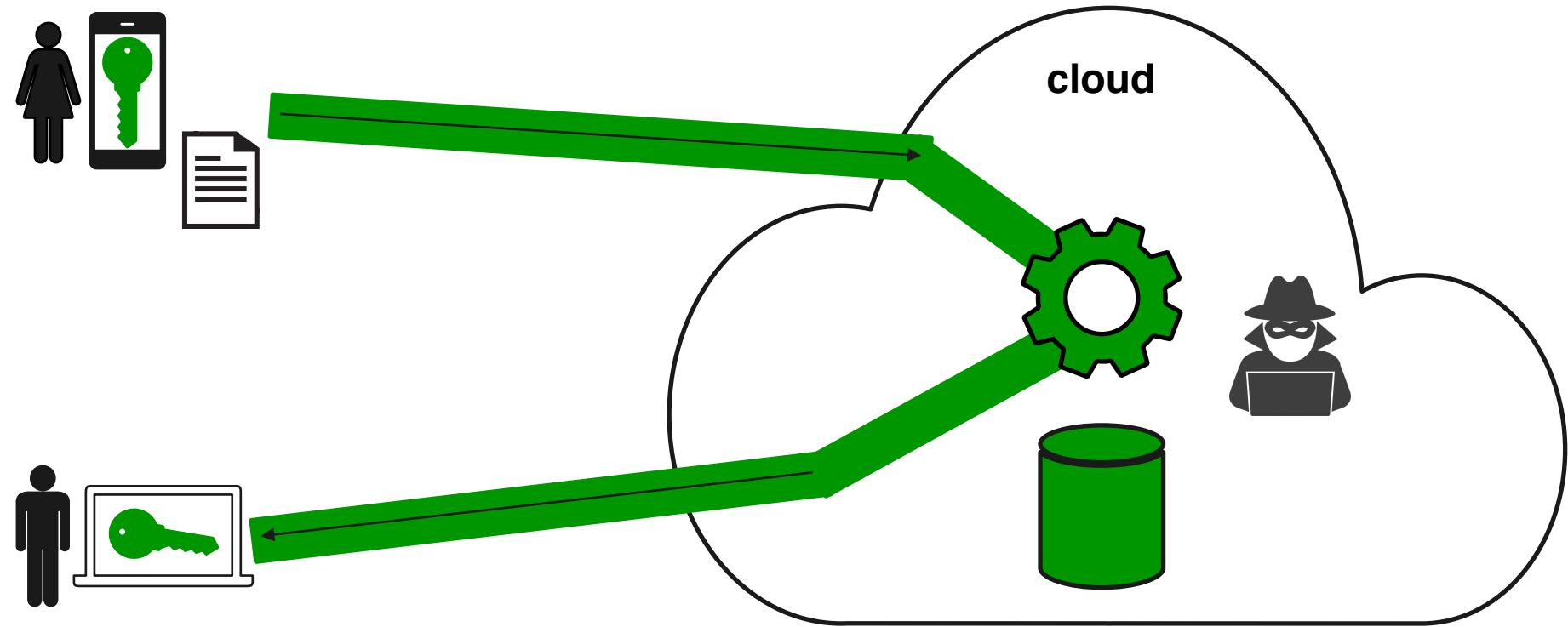
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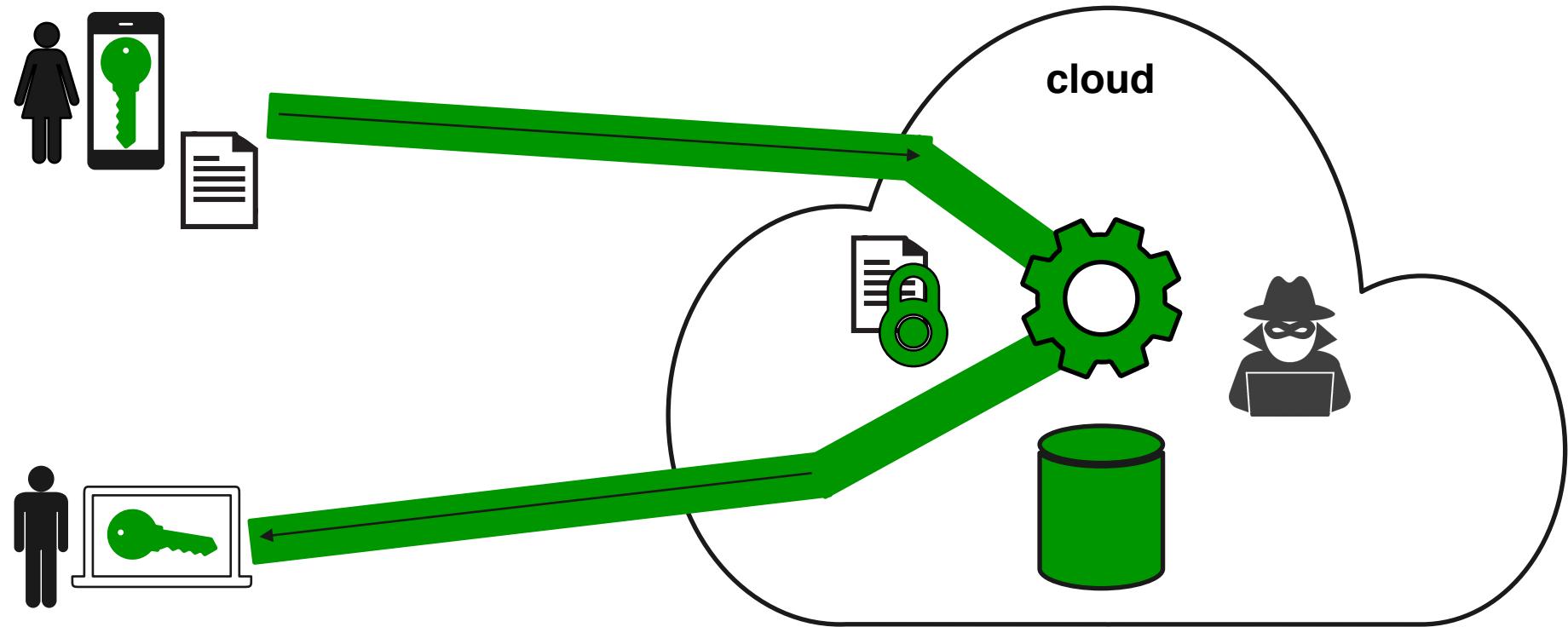
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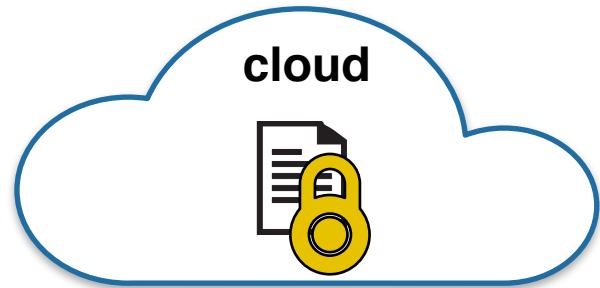
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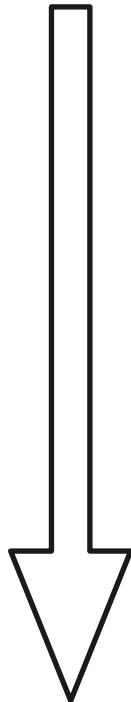
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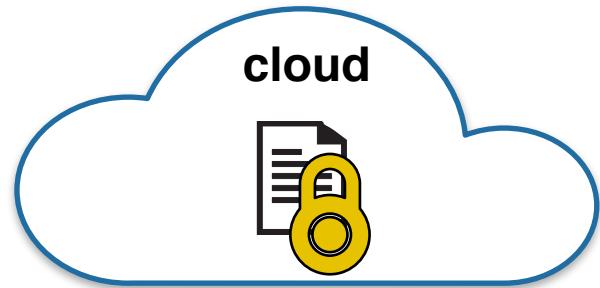
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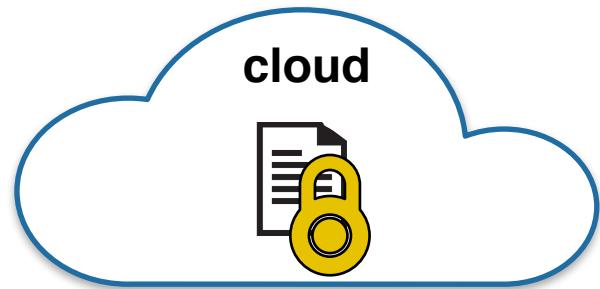
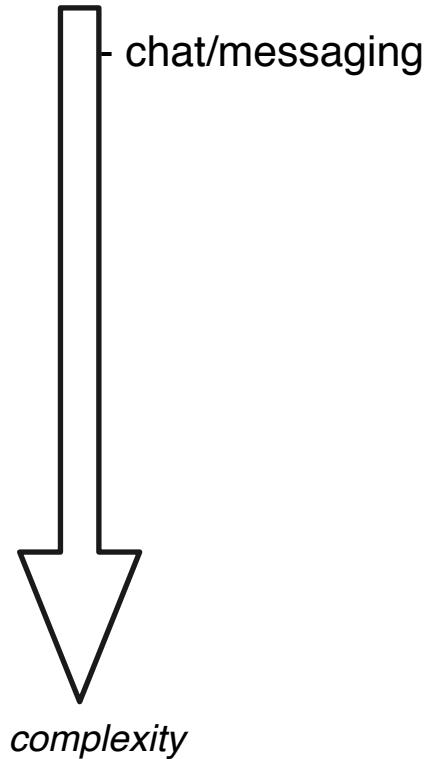
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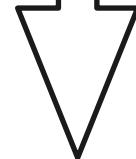


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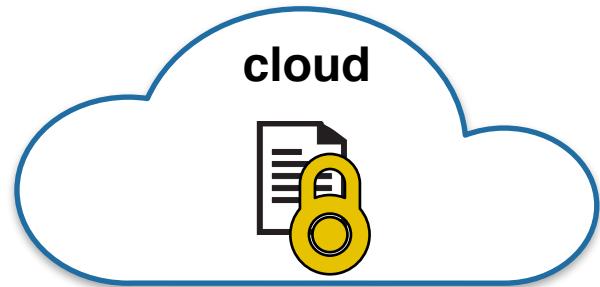


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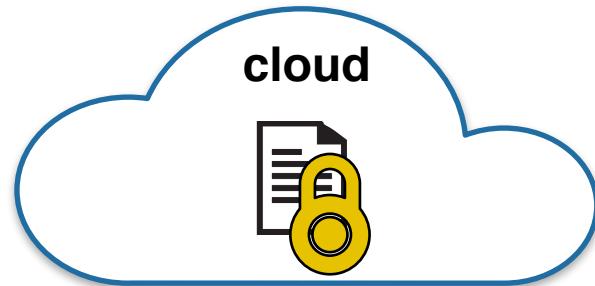
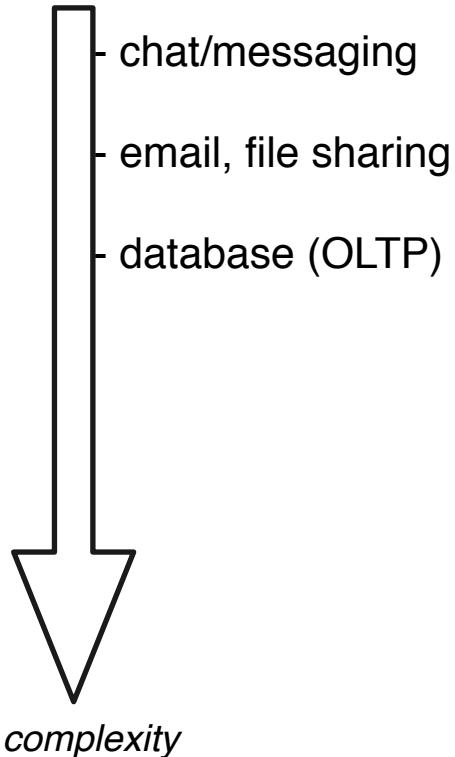
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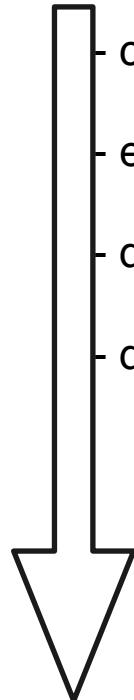
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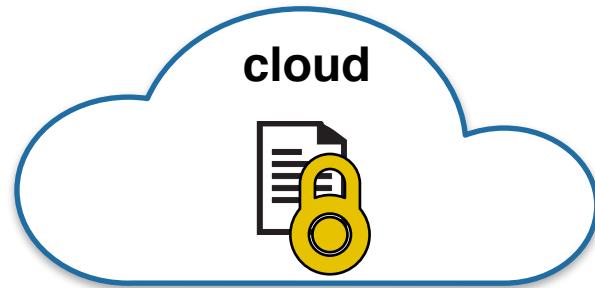


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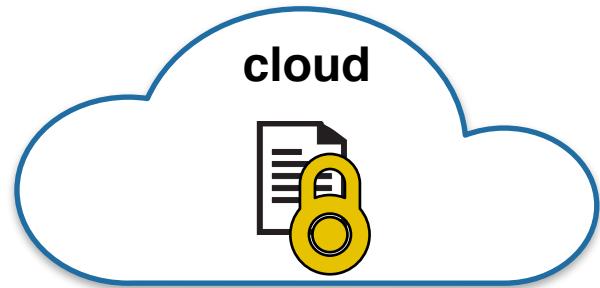
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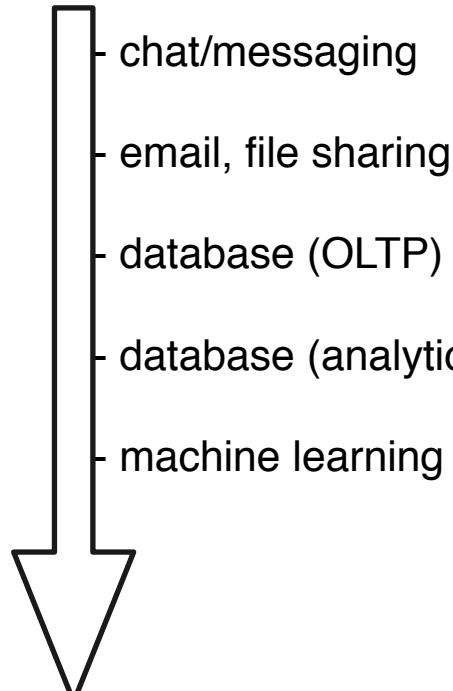
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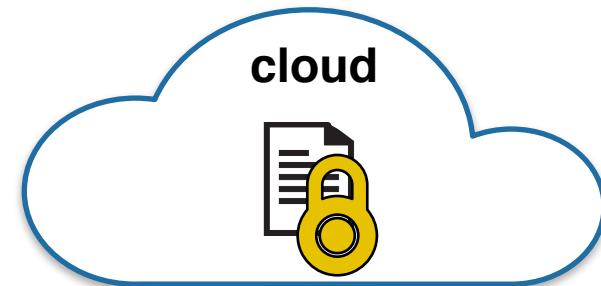
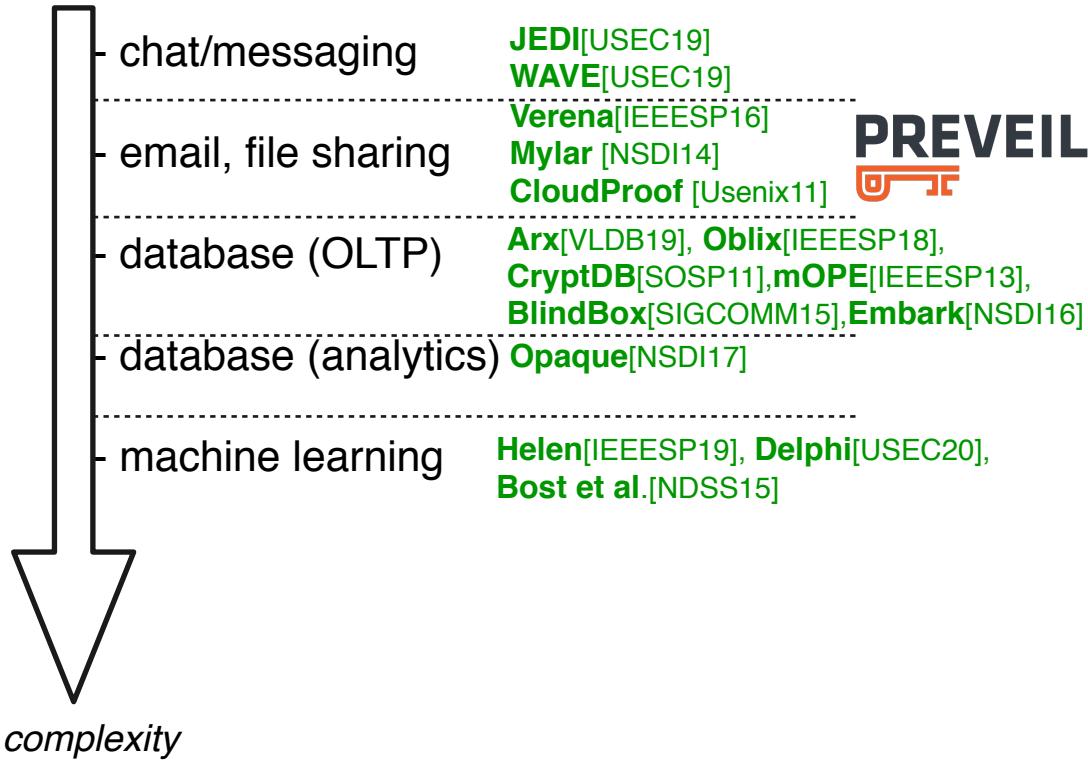
**PREVEIL**

**Arx**[VLDB19], **Oblix**[IEEEESP18],  
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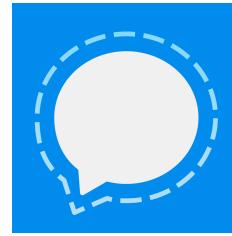
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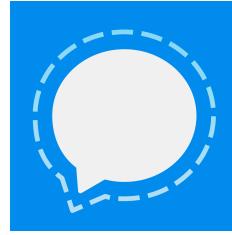


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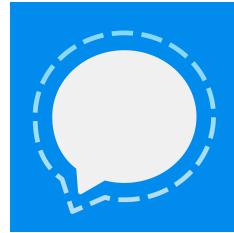
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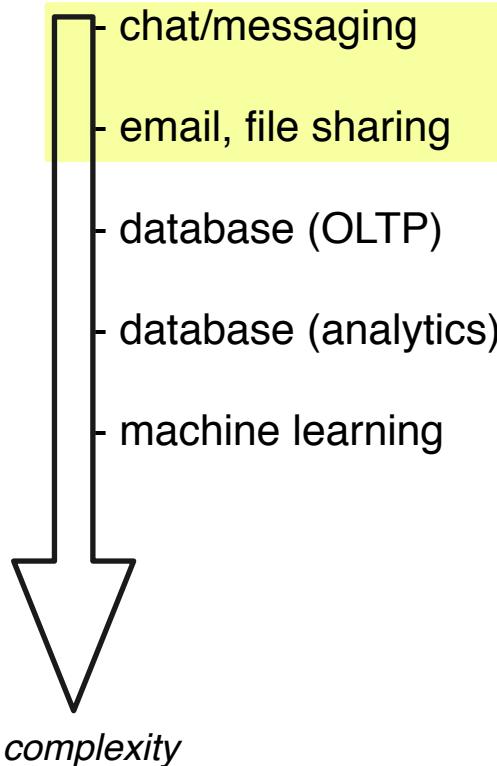
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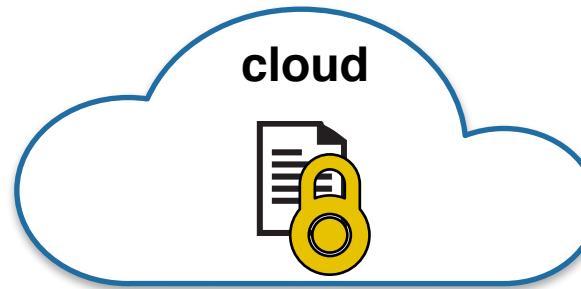


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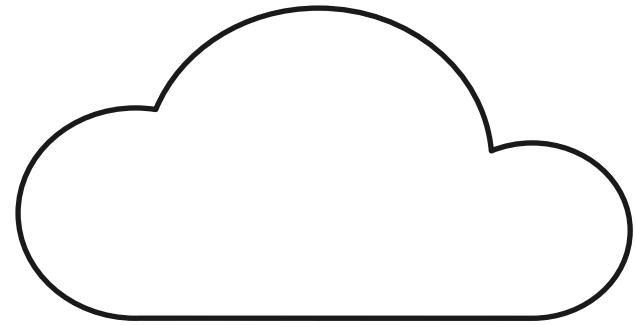
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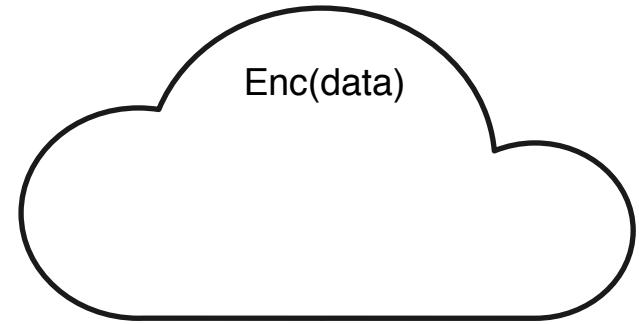
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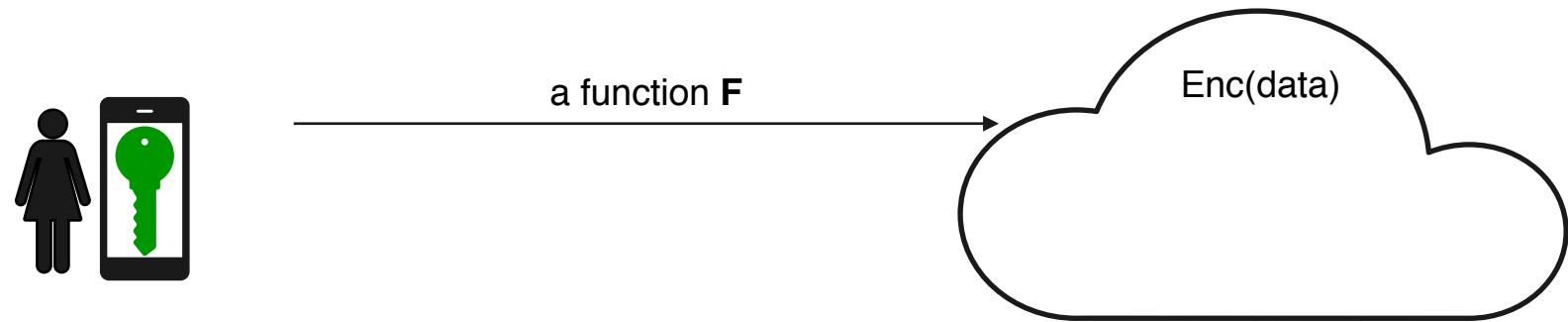
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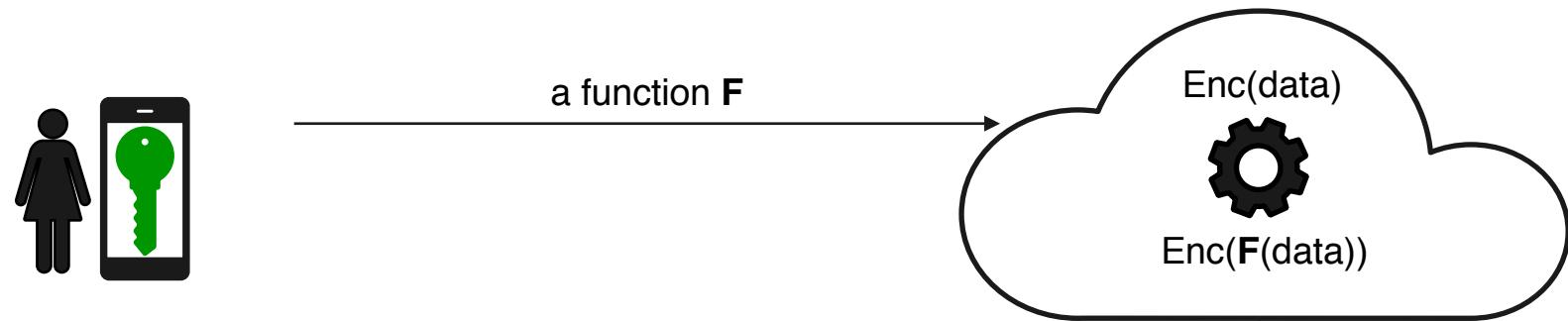
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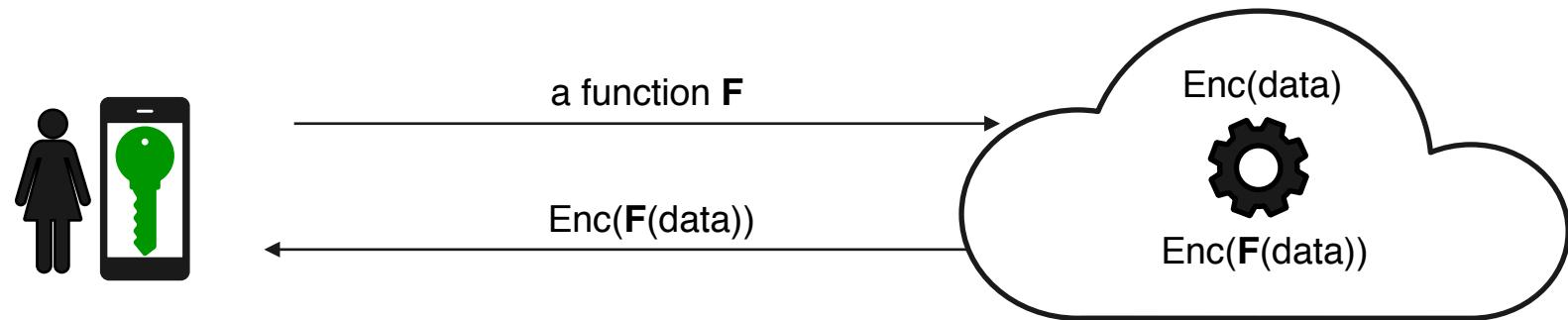
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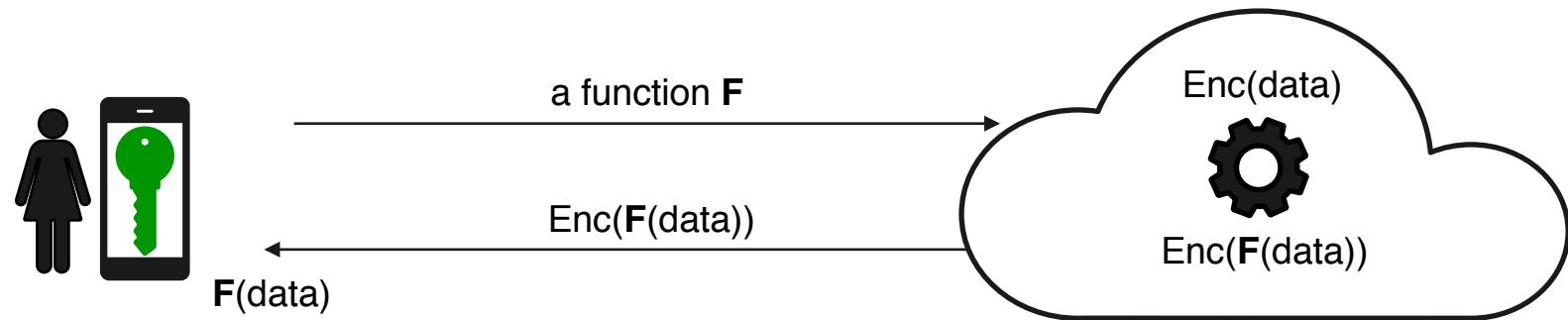
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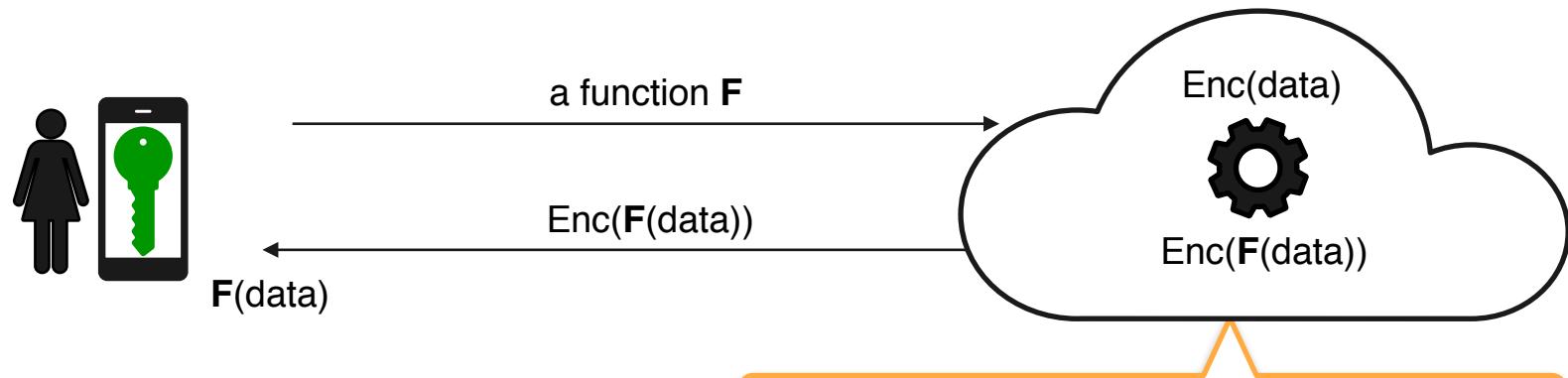
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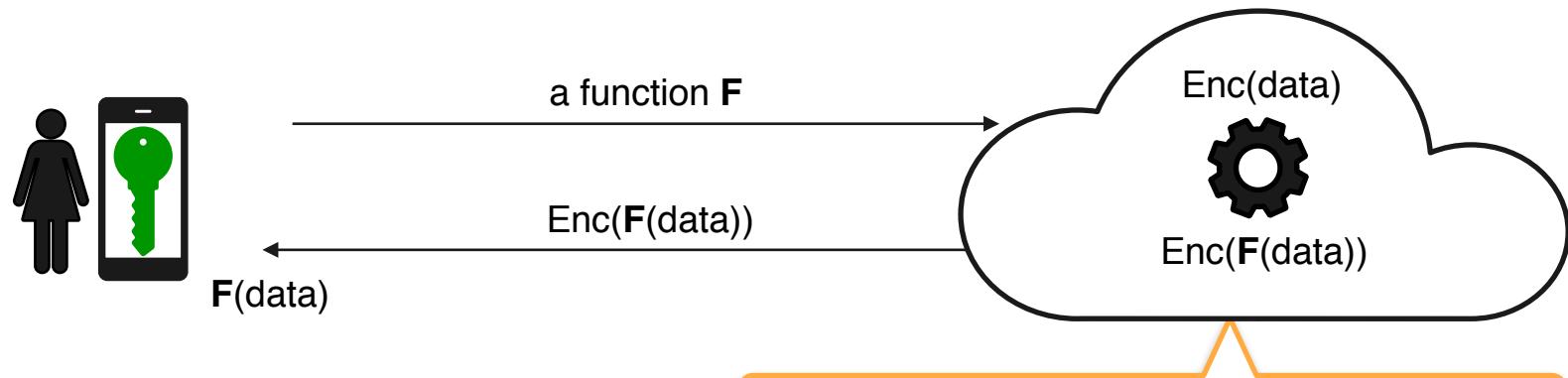


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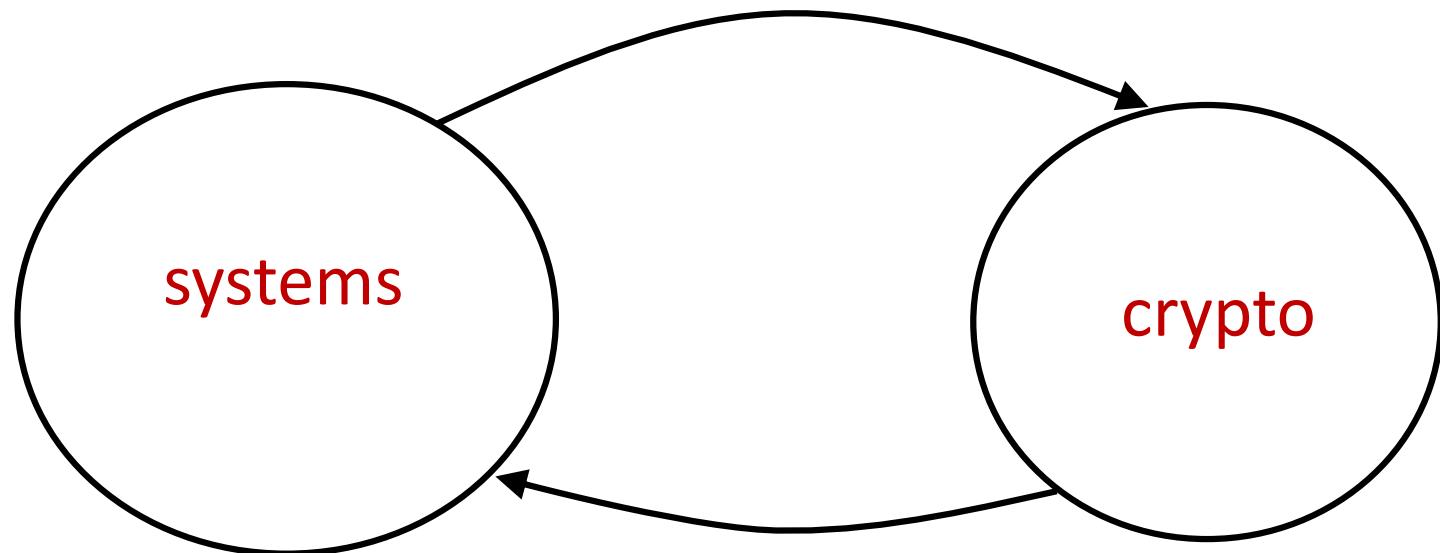
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# Fully homomorphic encryption [Gentry09]

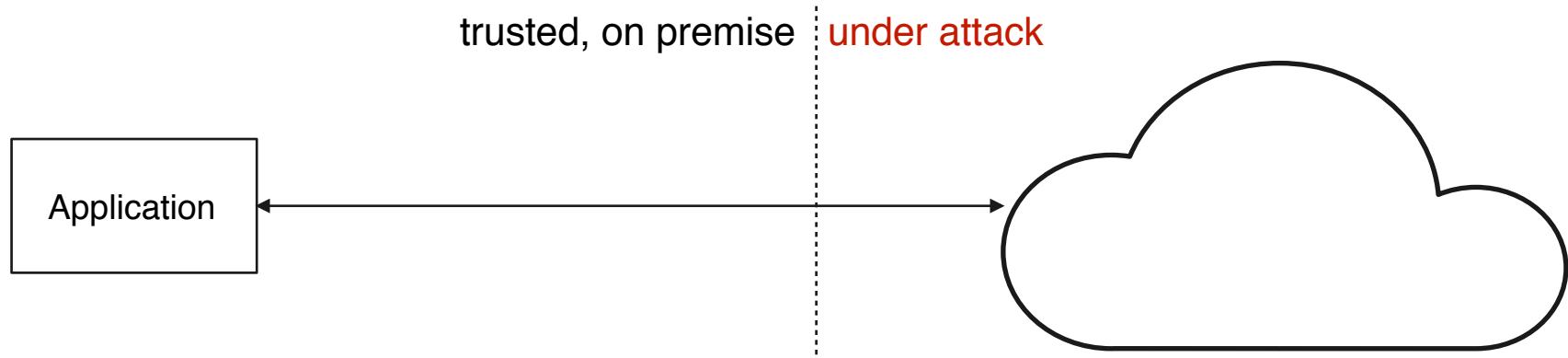
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Approach to build practical systems: co-design systems and cryptography



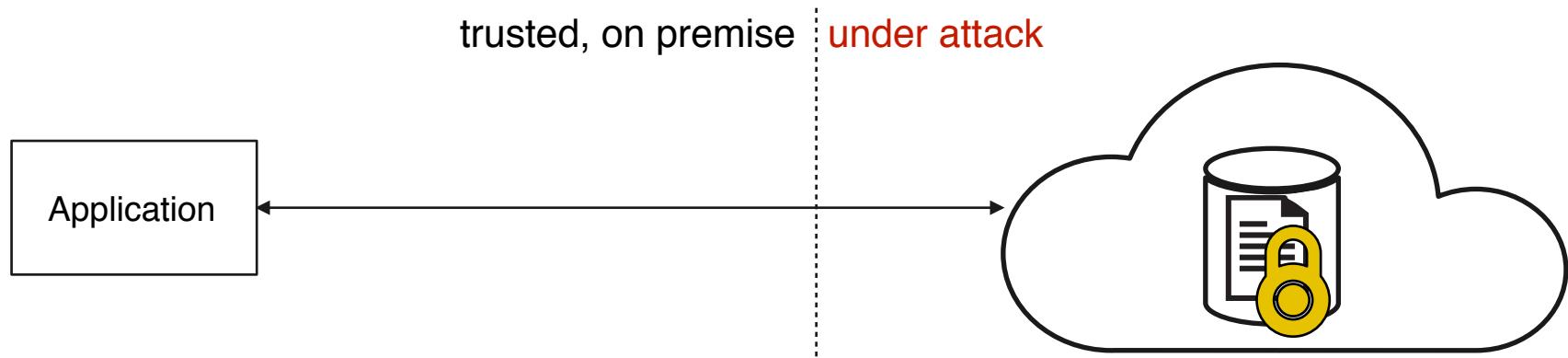
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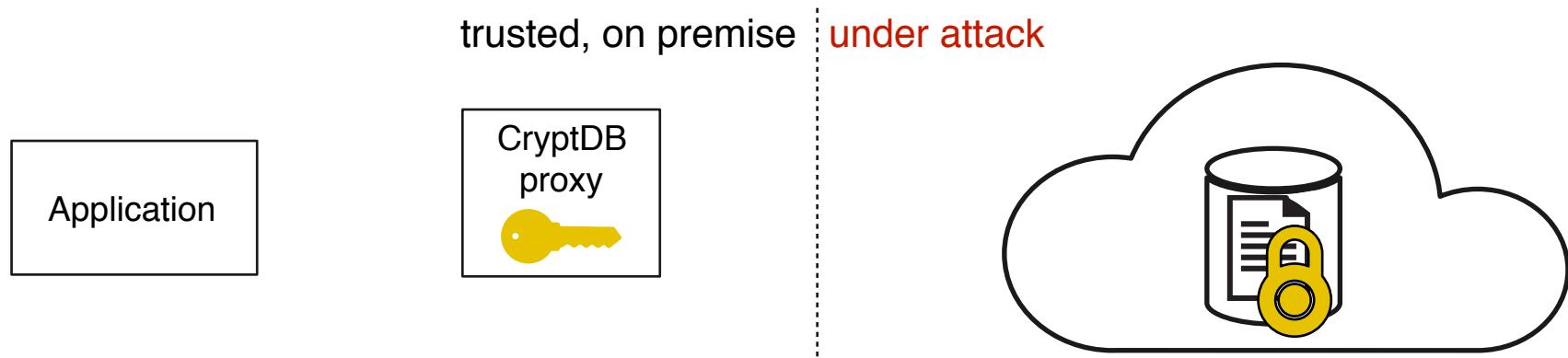
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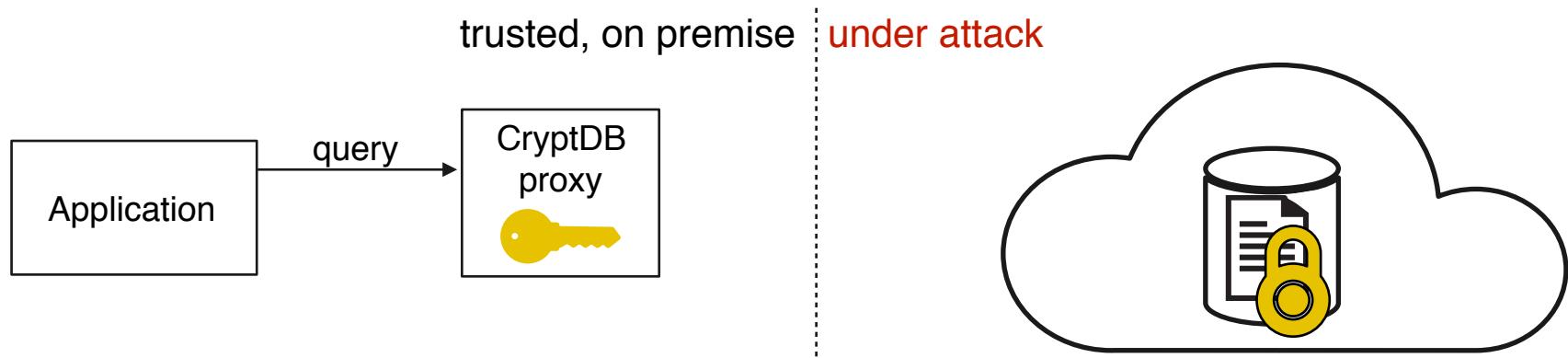
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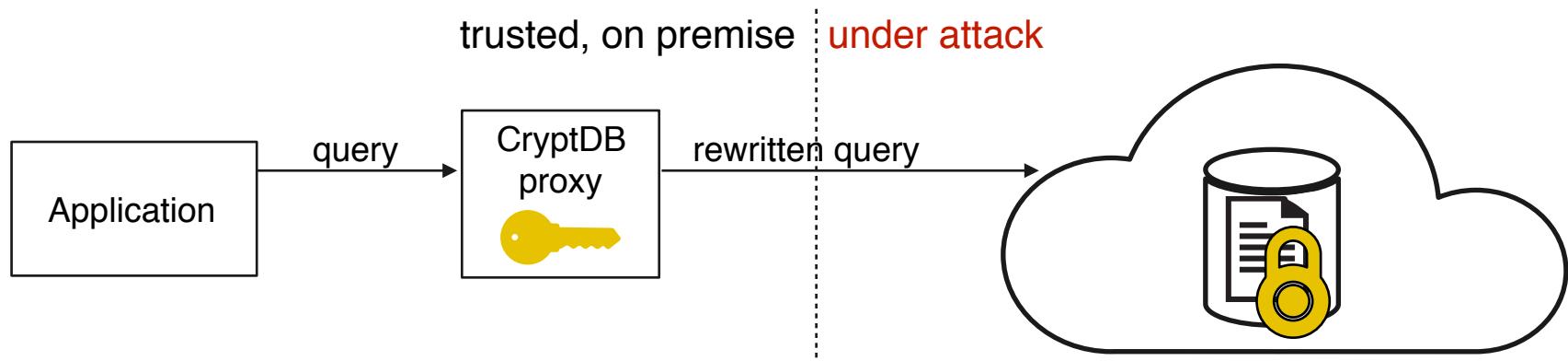
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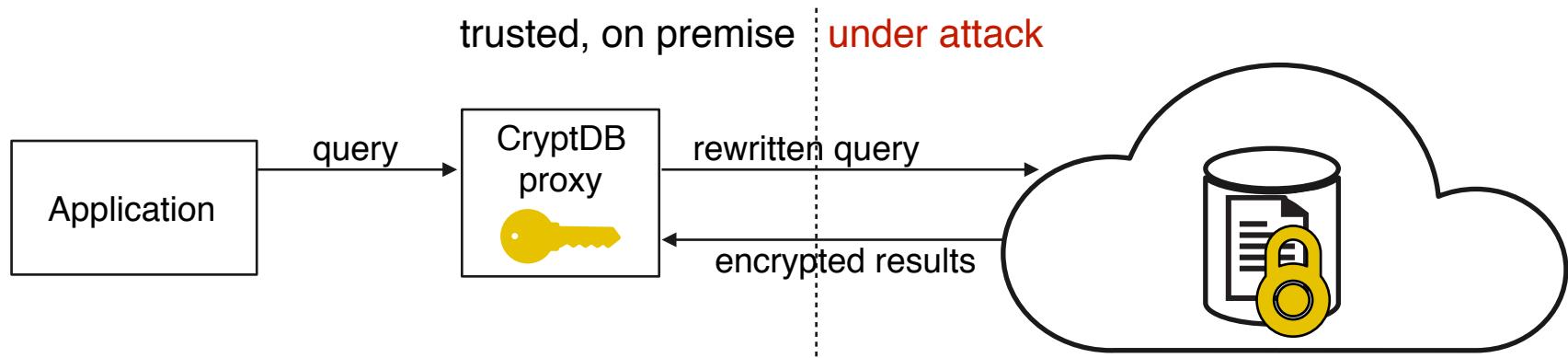
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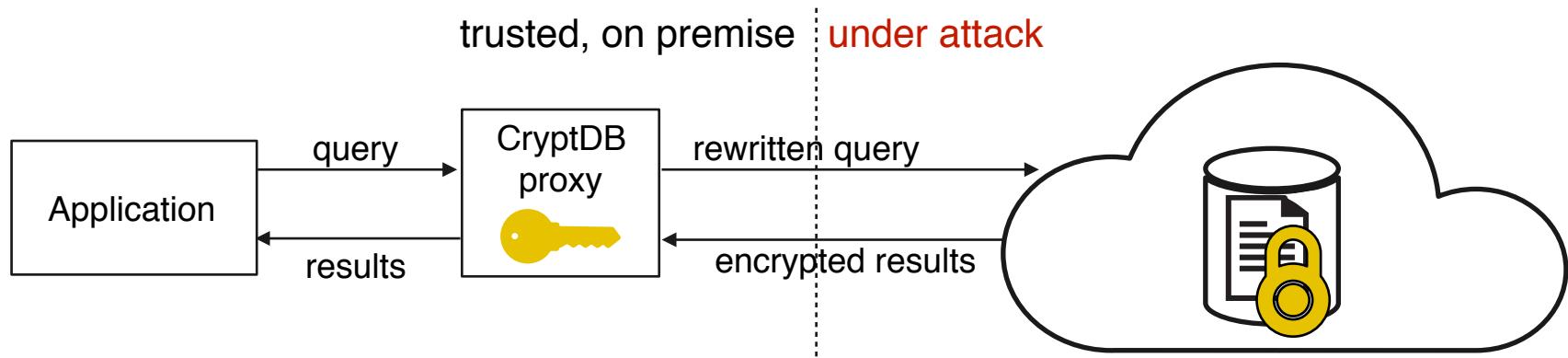
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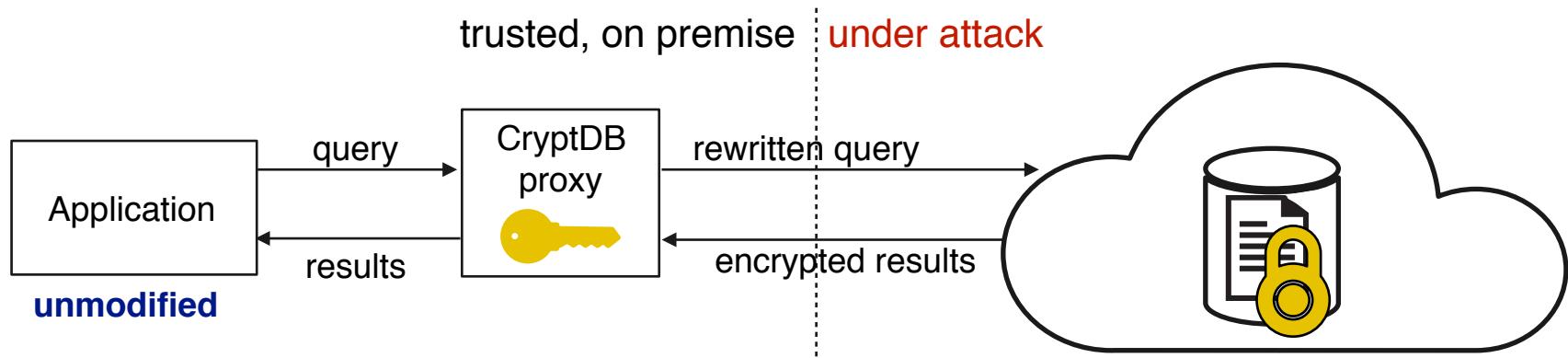
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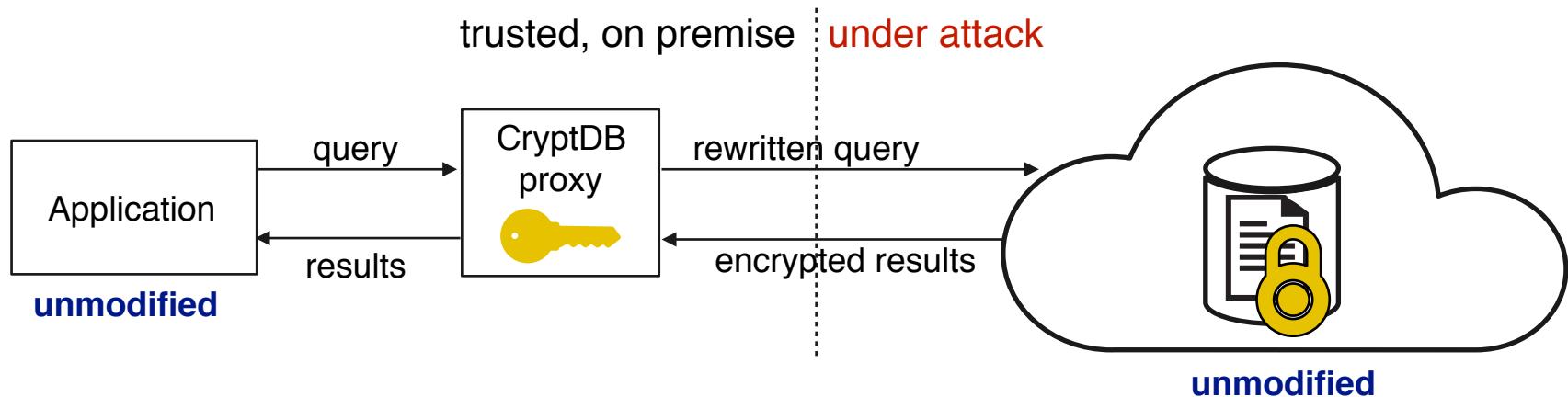
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- Industry deployments:



AlwaysEncrypted



Google's  
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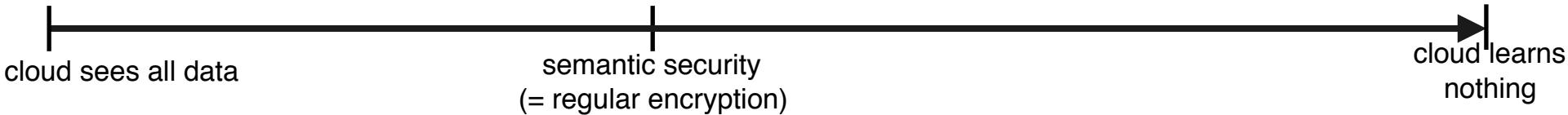
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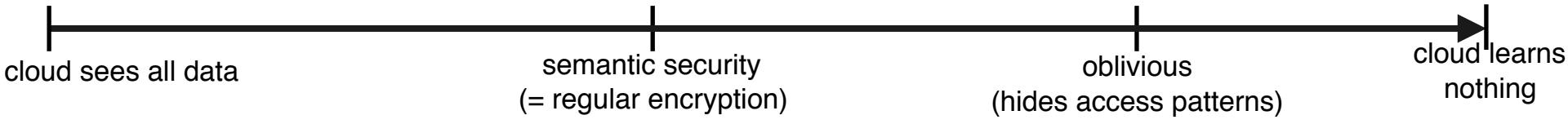
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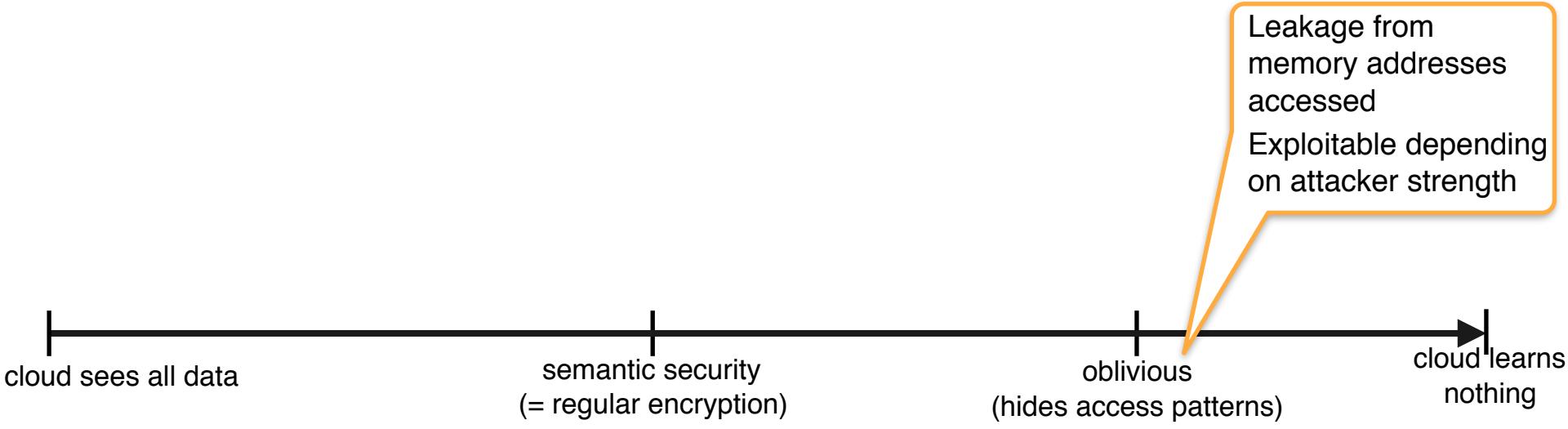
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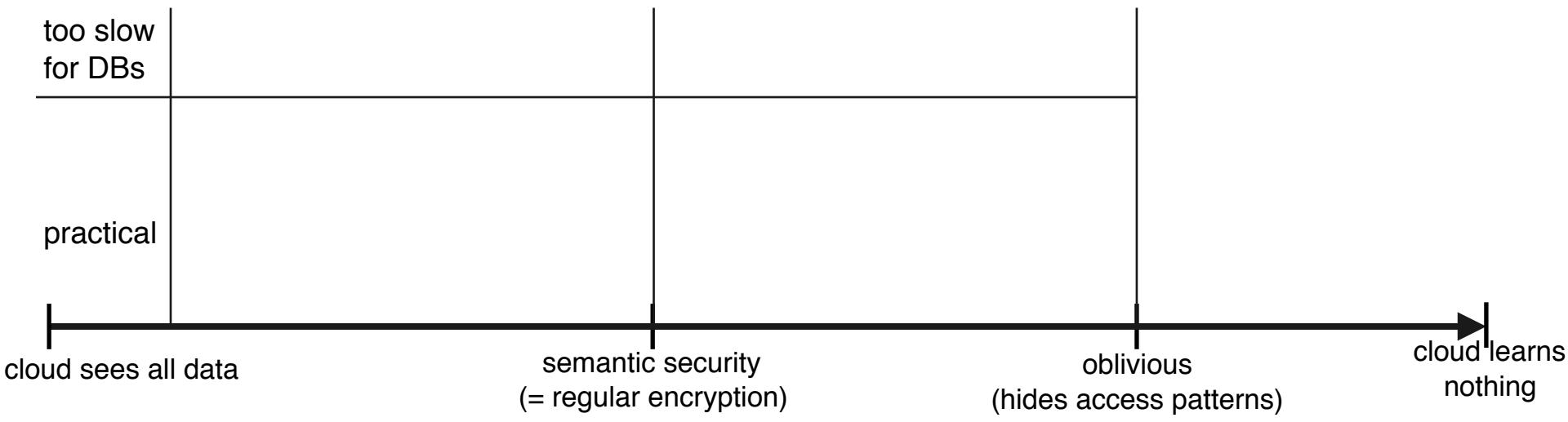
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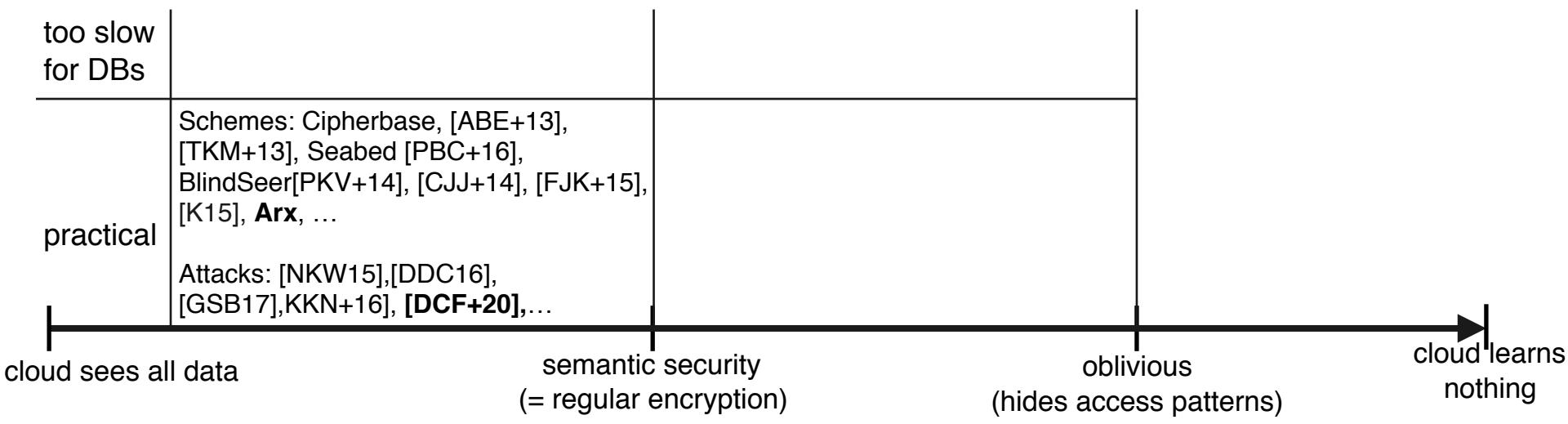
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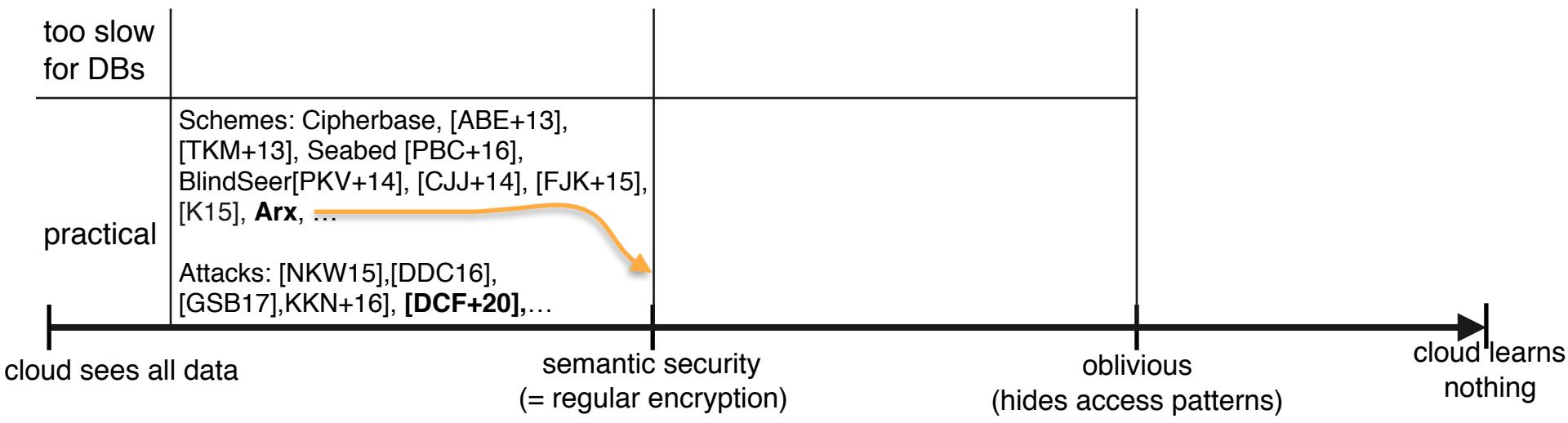
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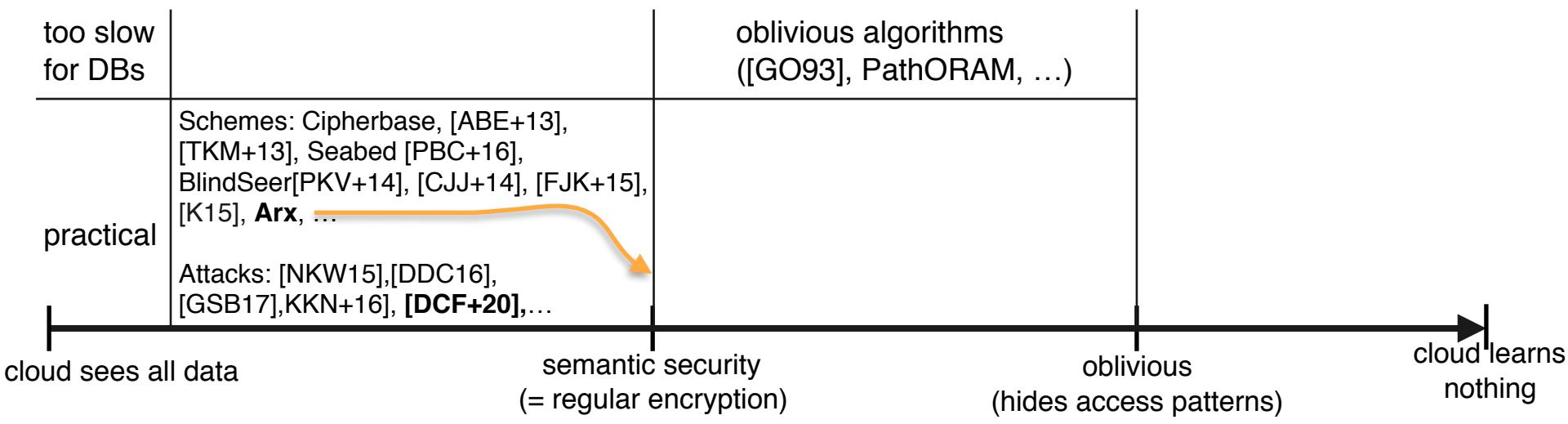
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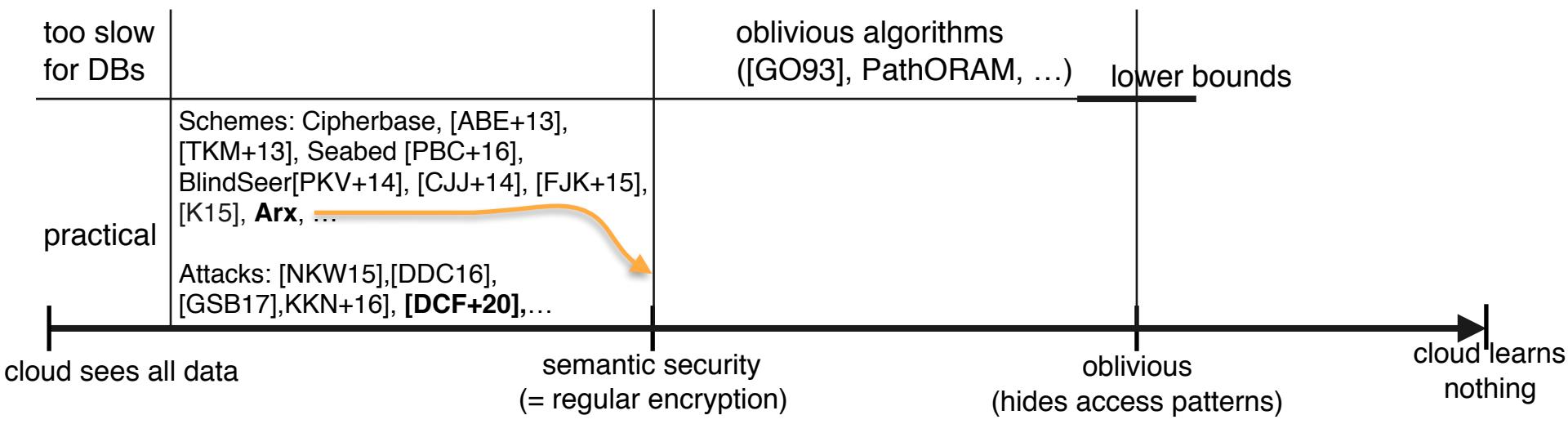
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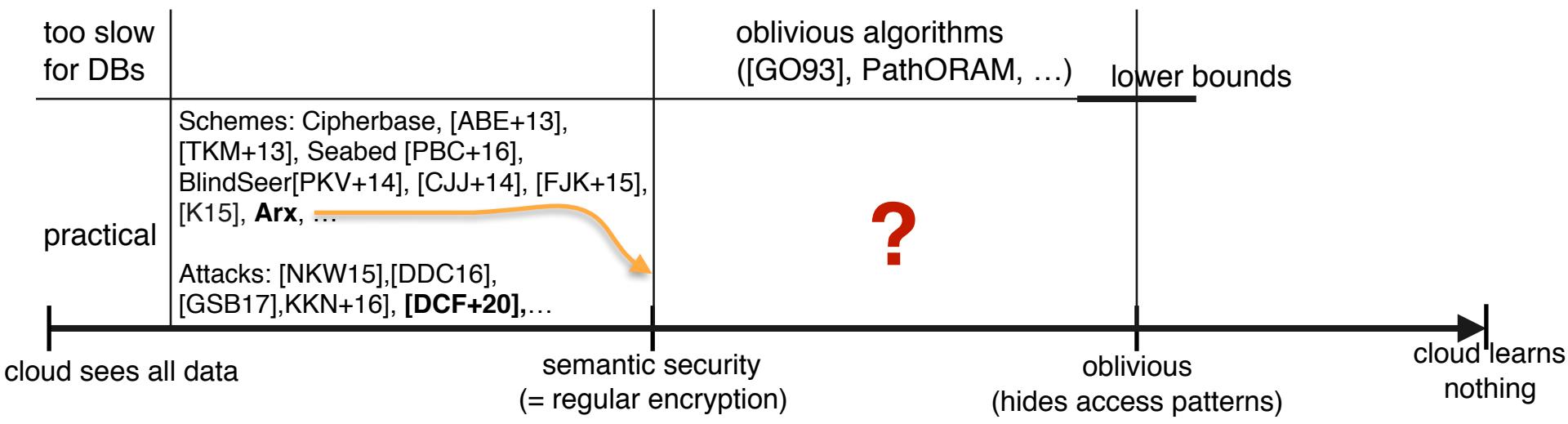
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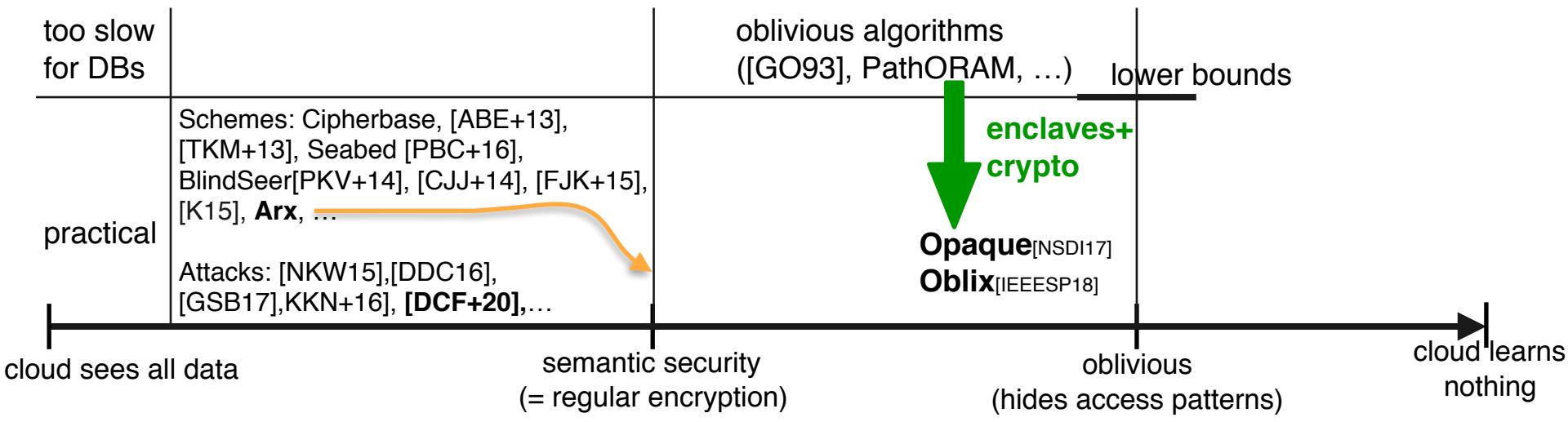
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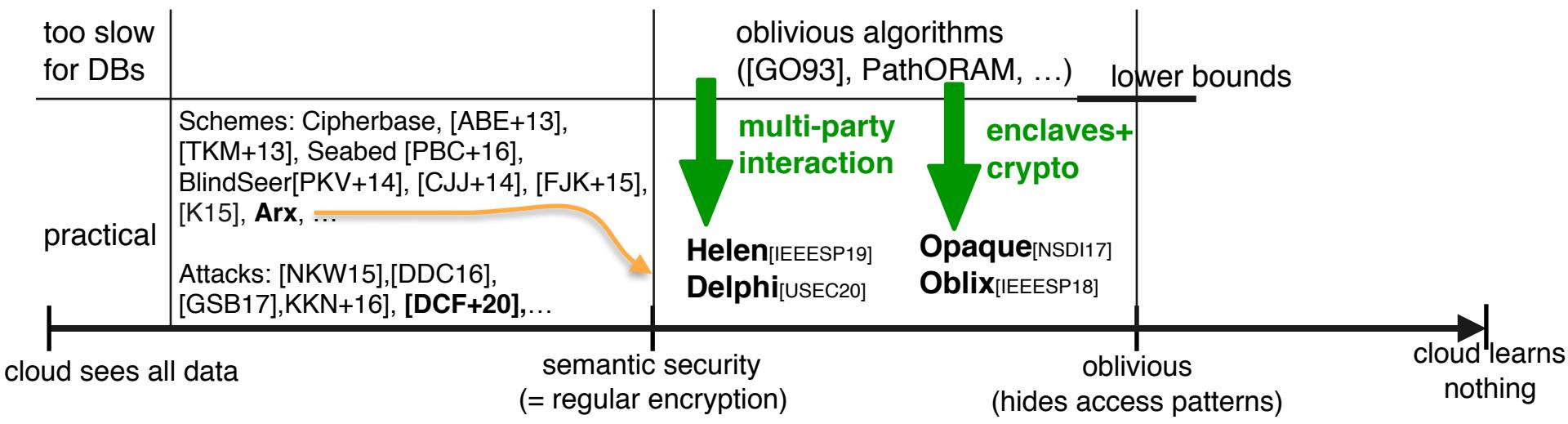
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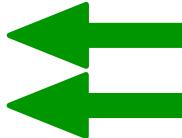


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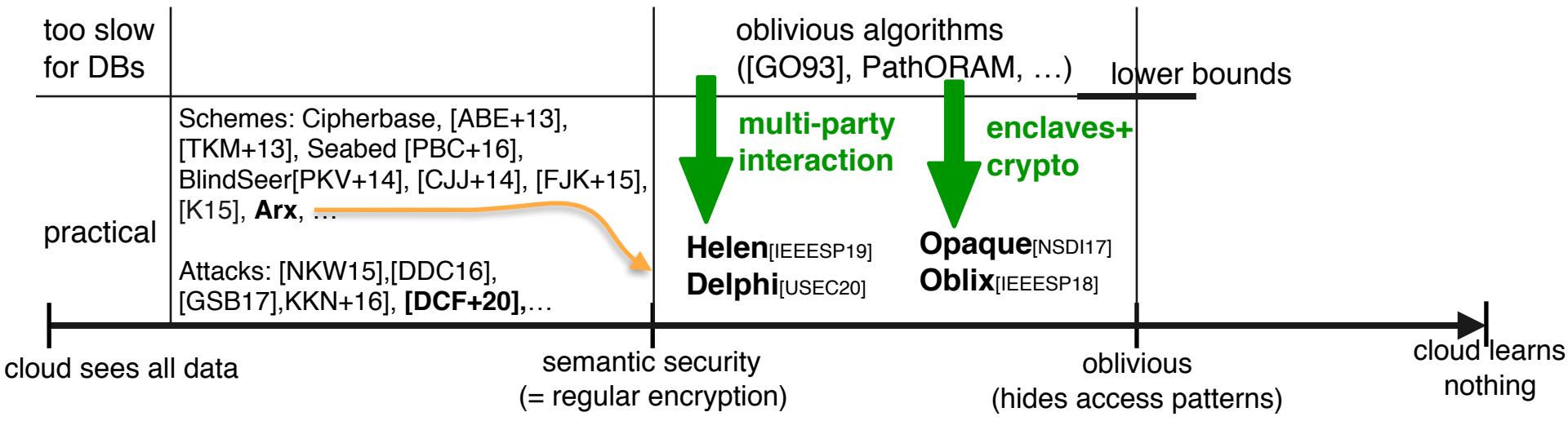
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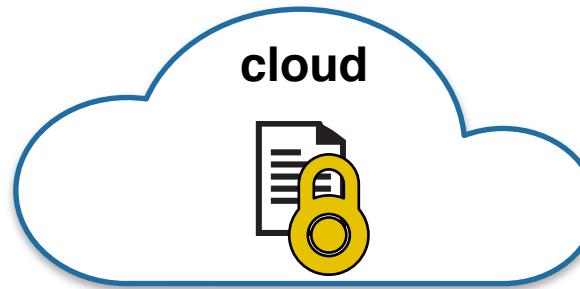


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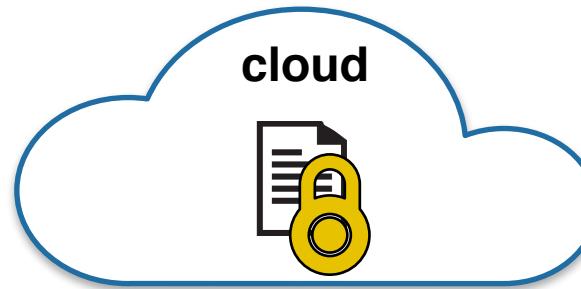
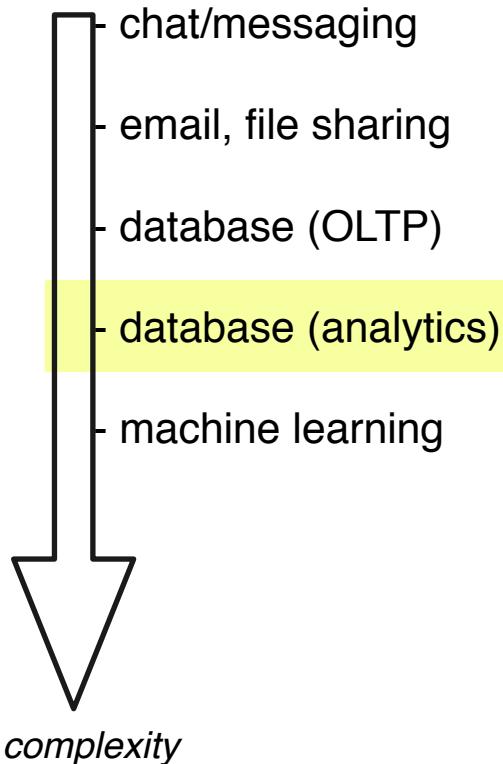
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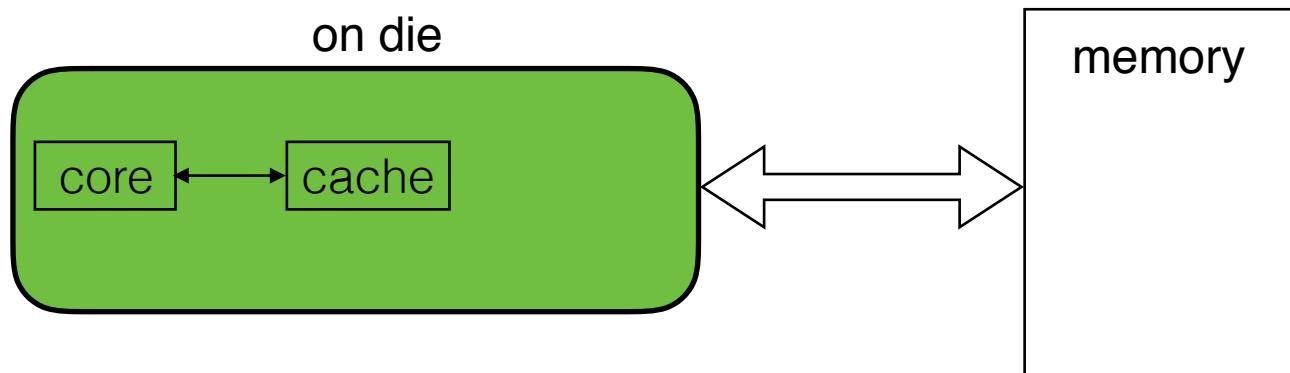
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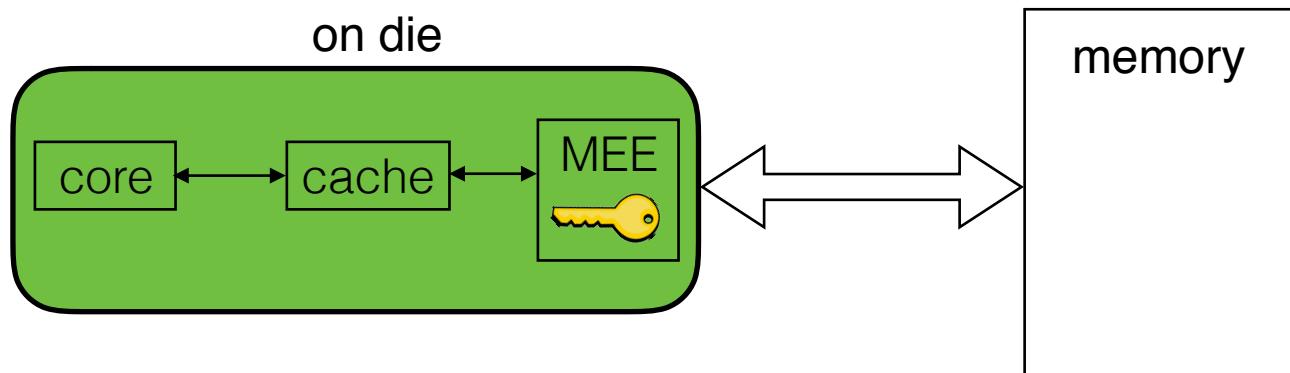
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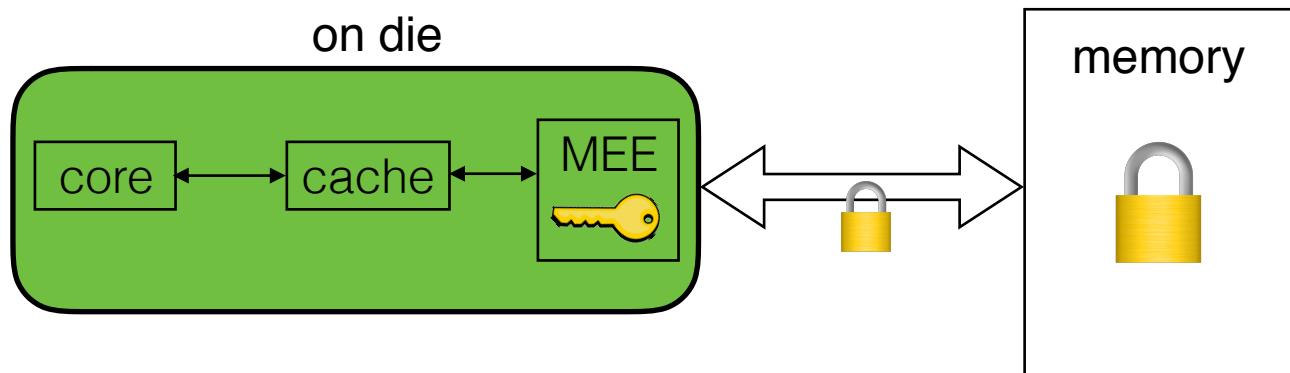
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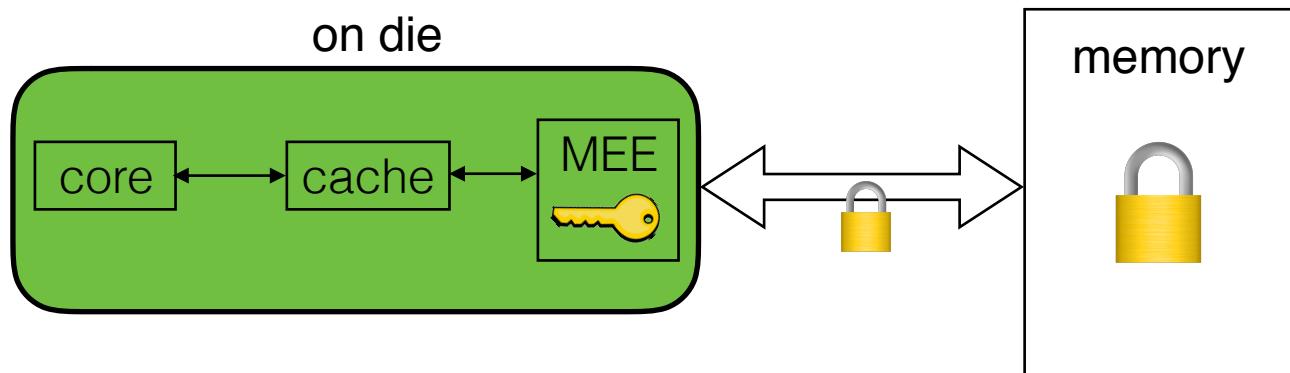
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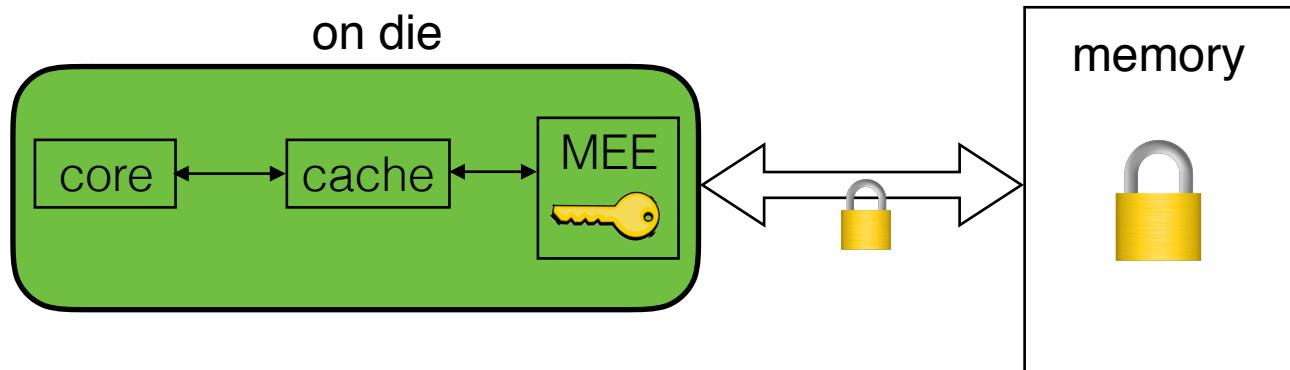
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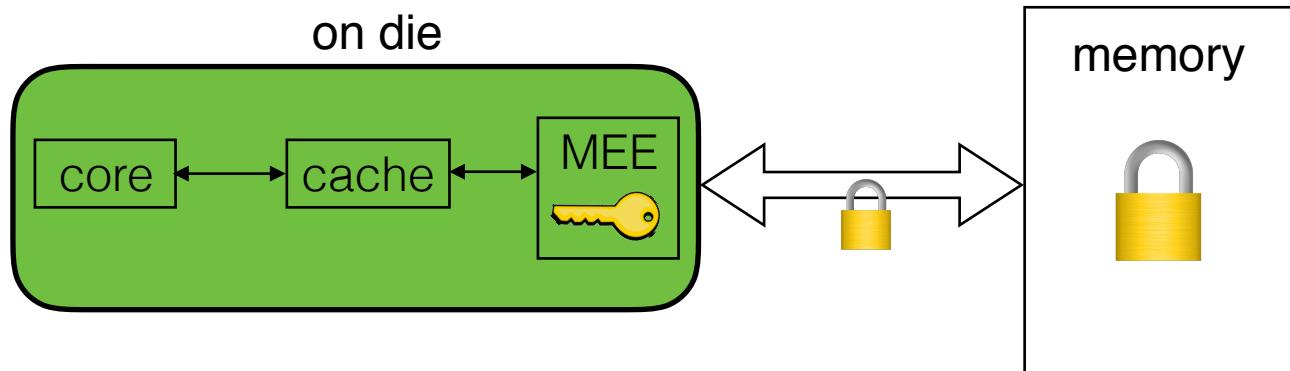
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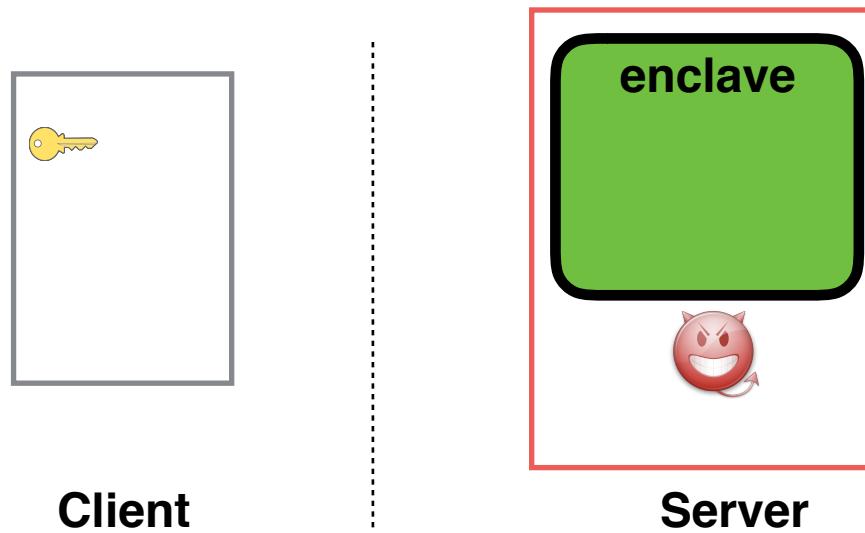
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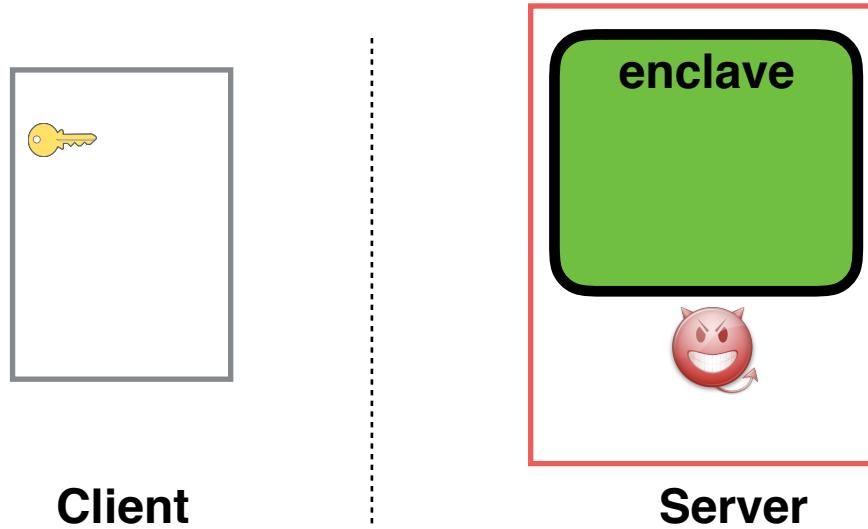
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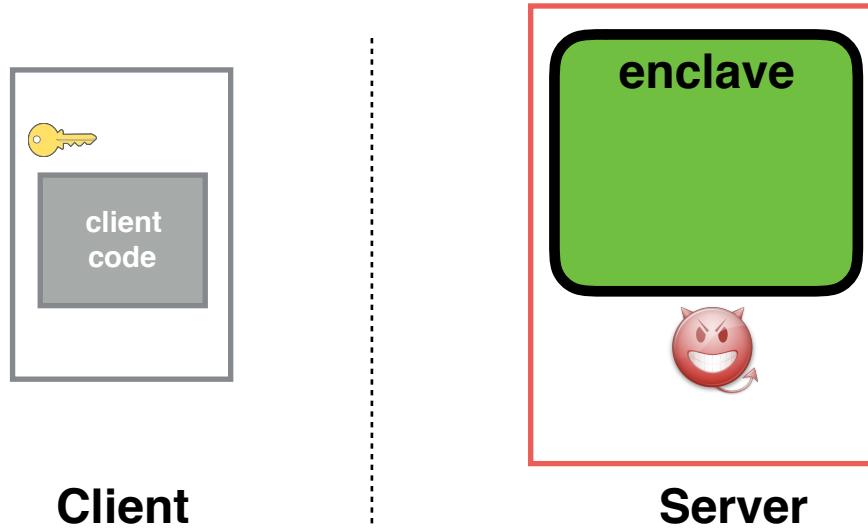
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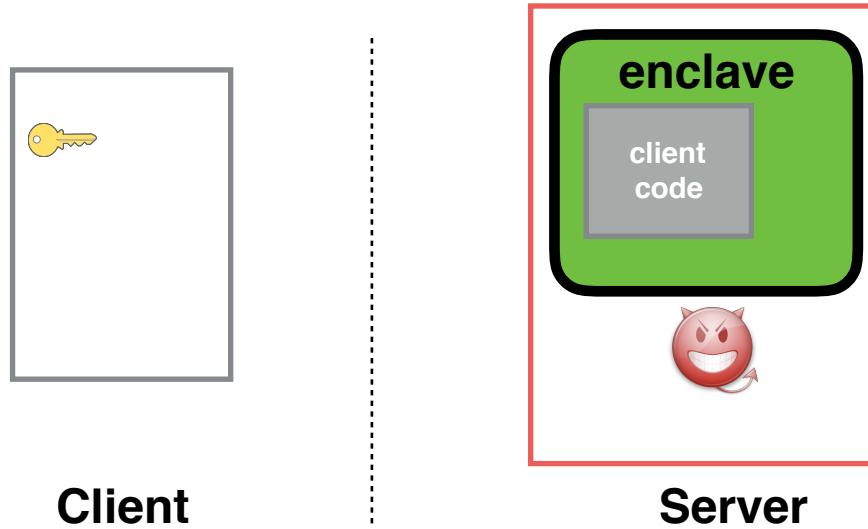
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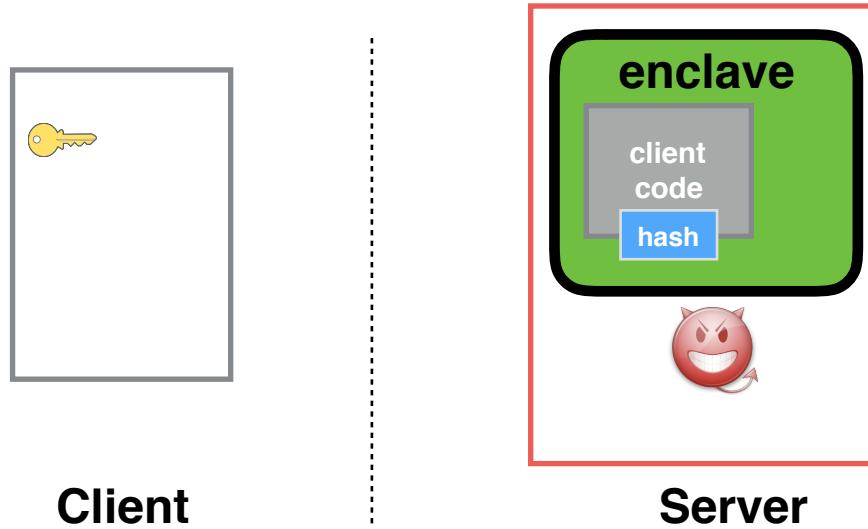
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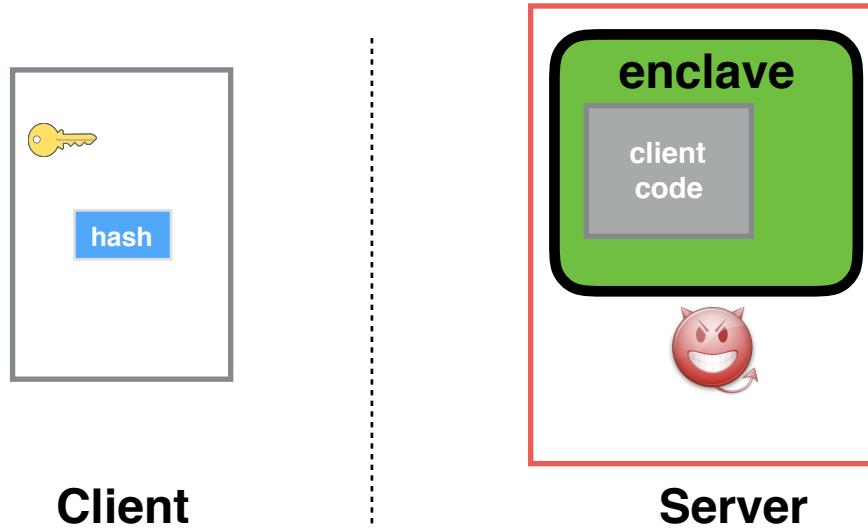
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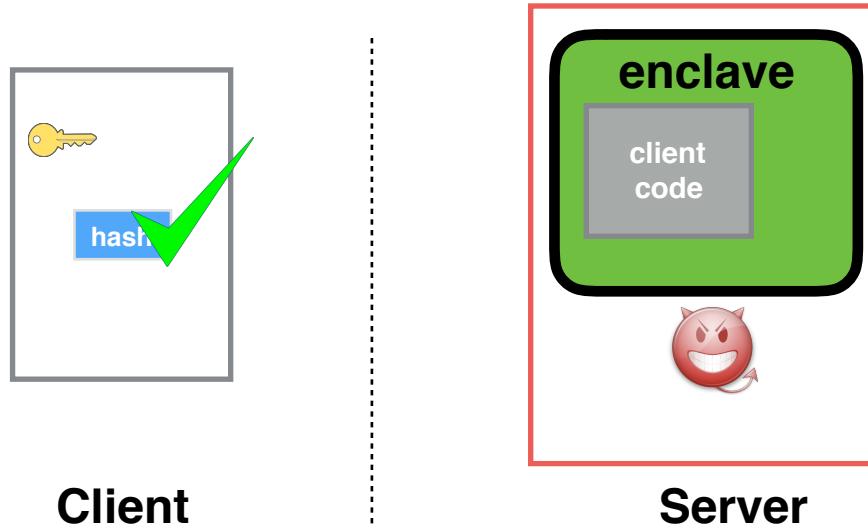
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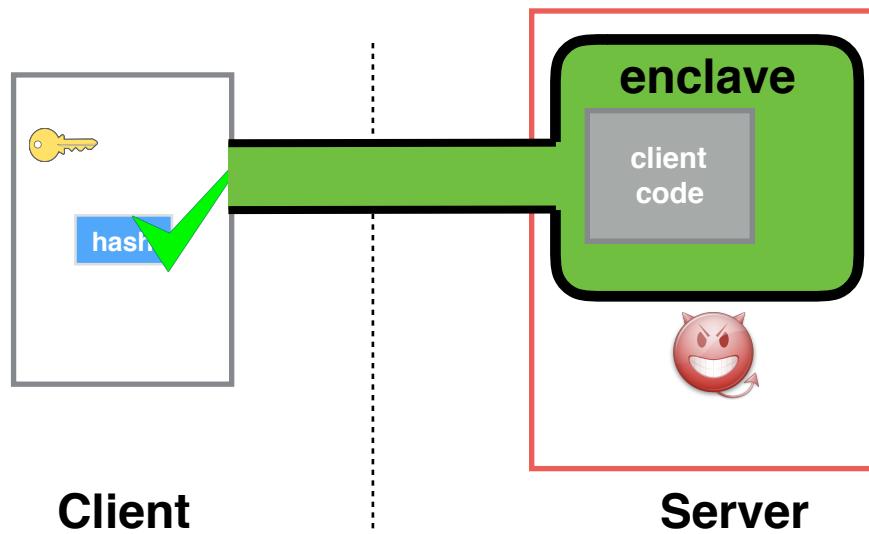
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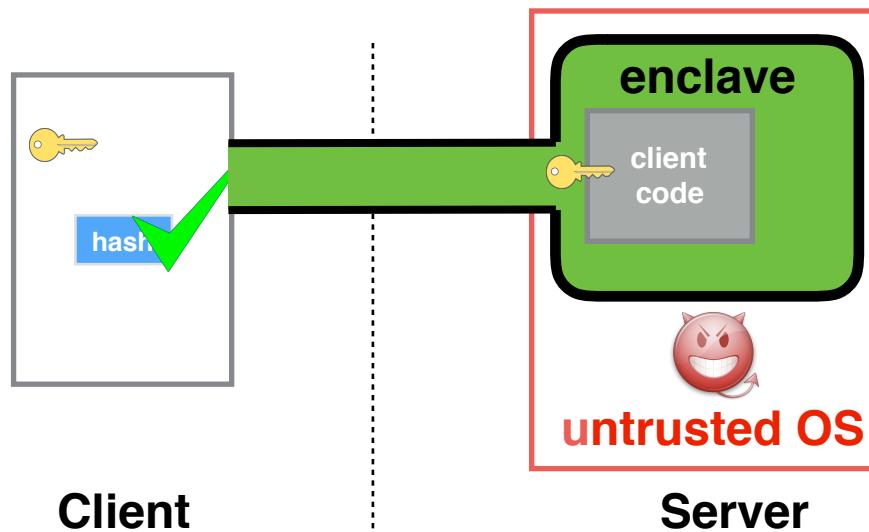
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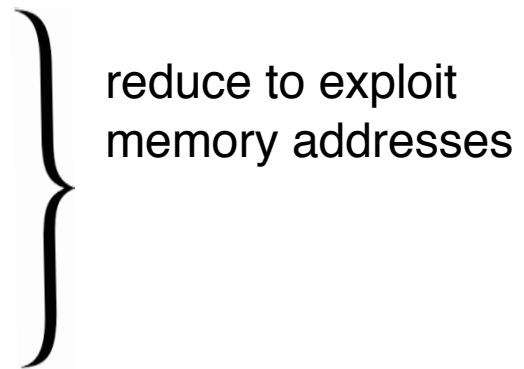
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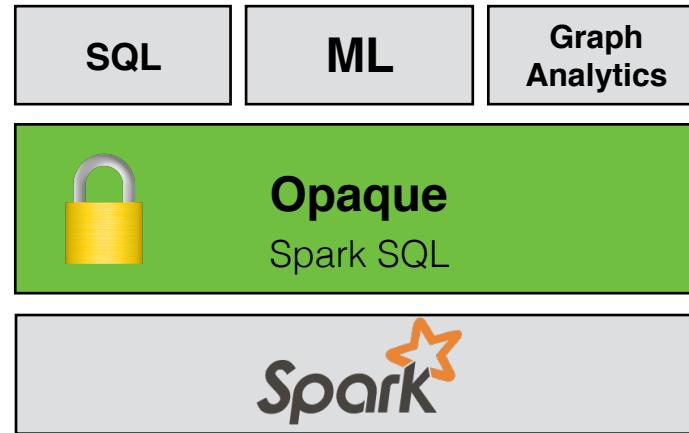


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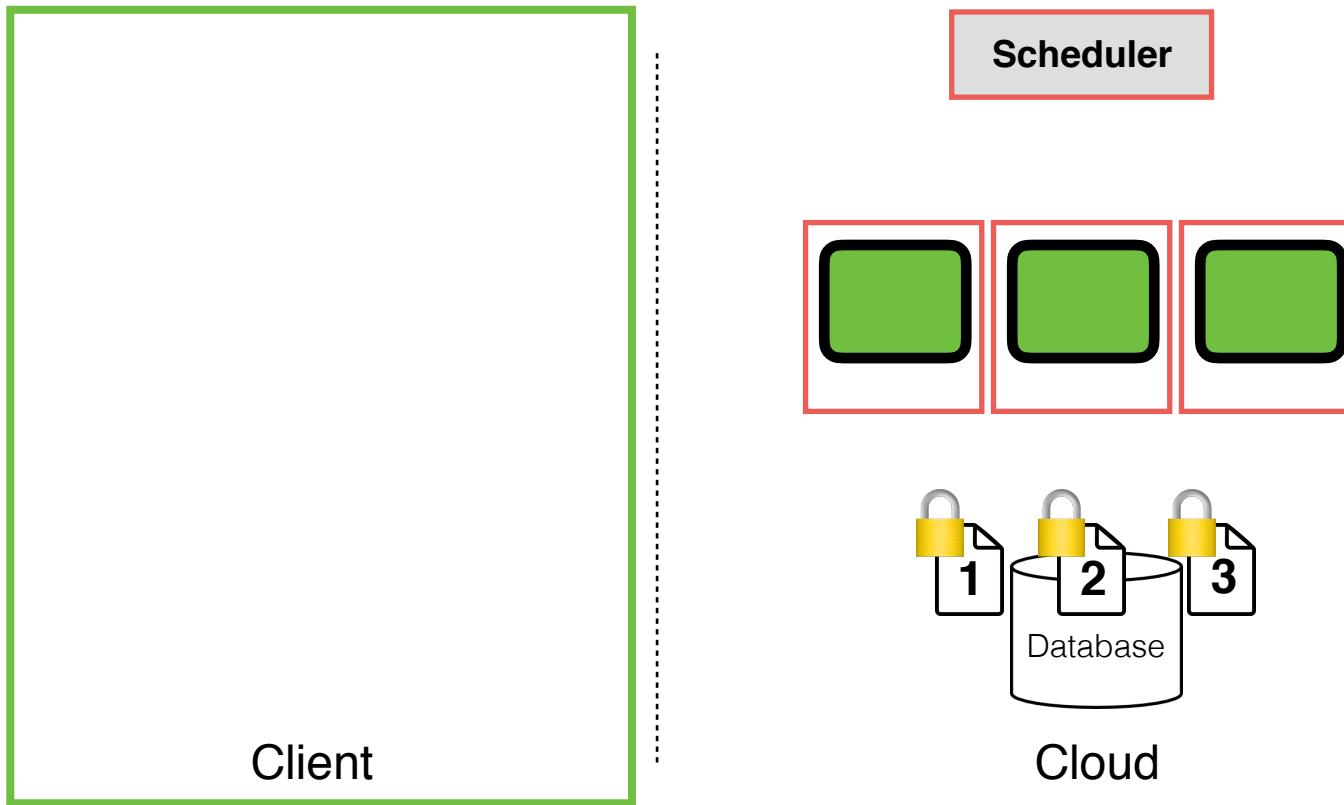
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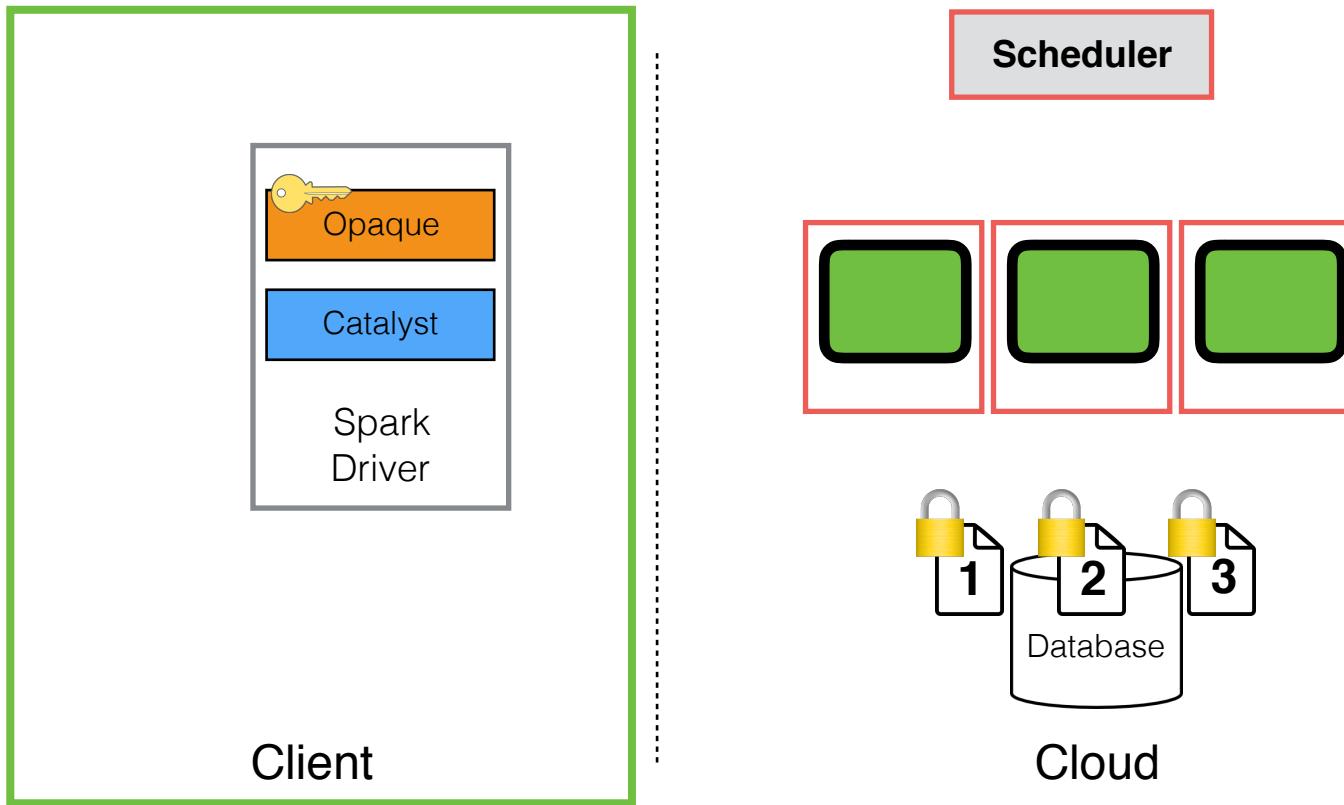


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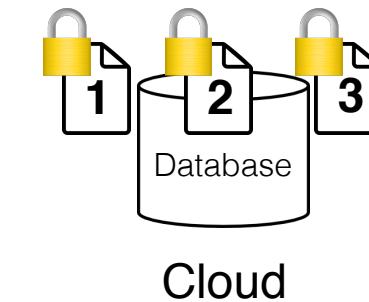
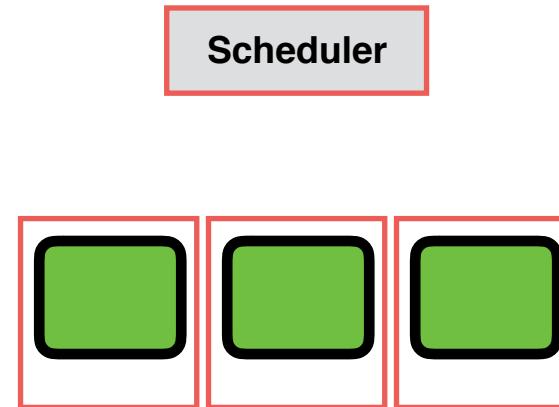
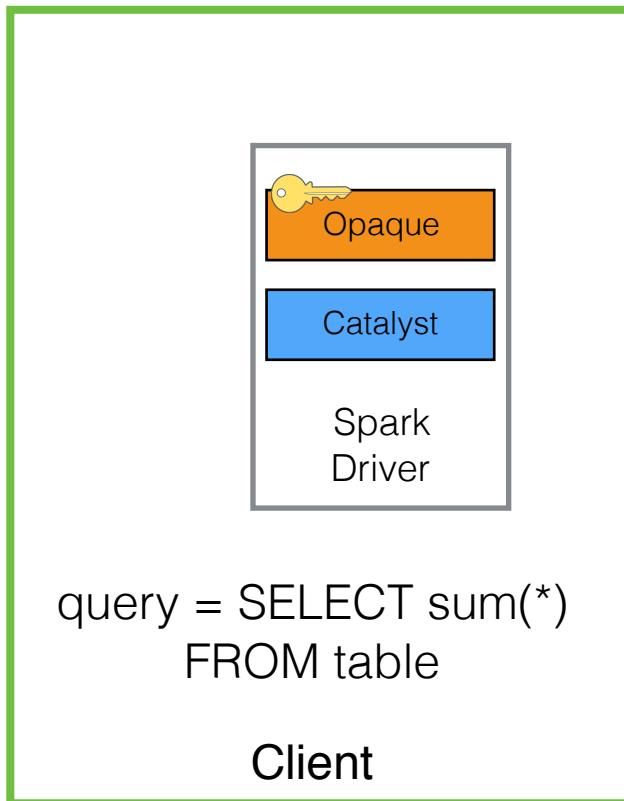
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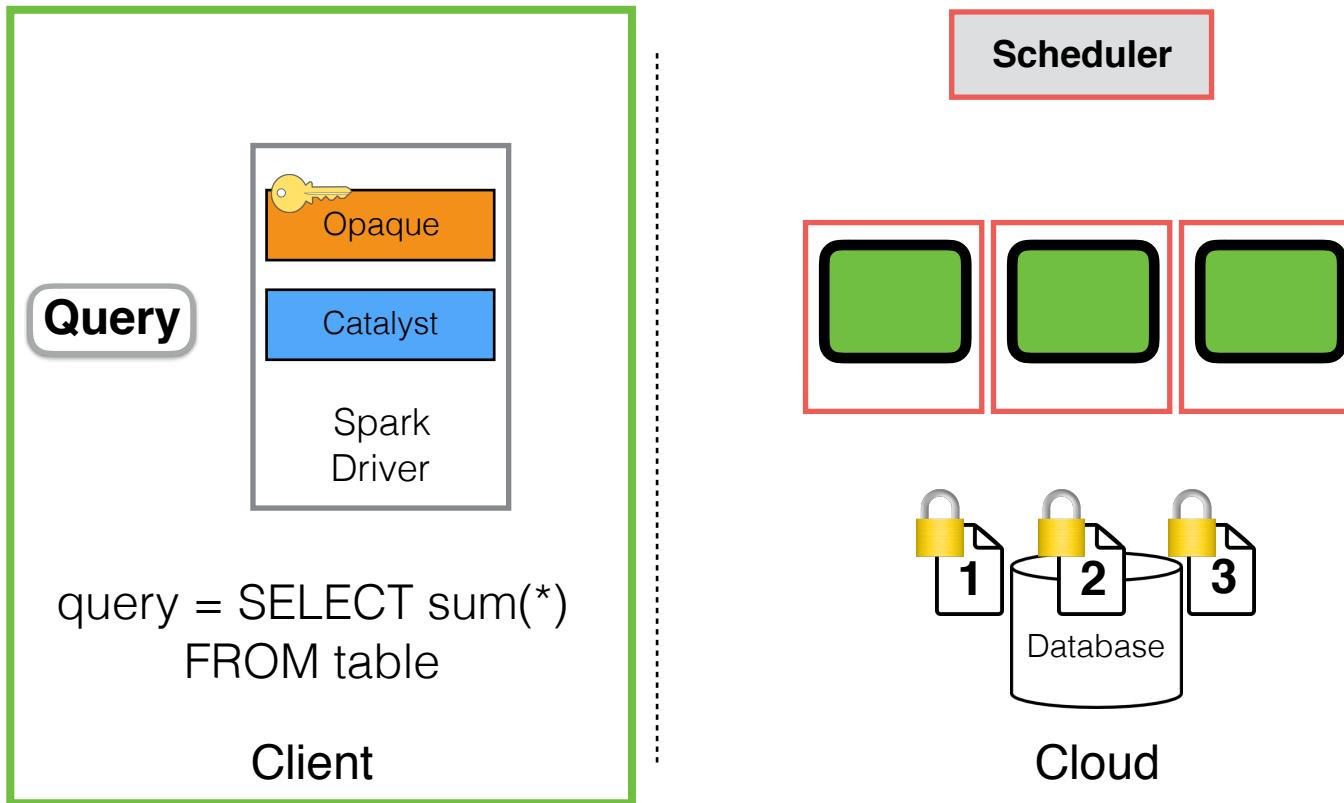
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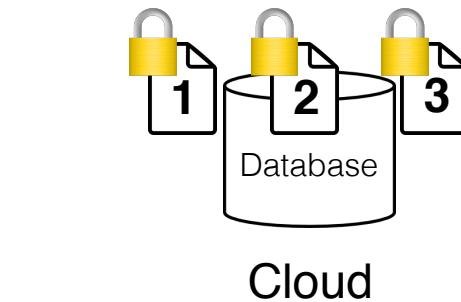
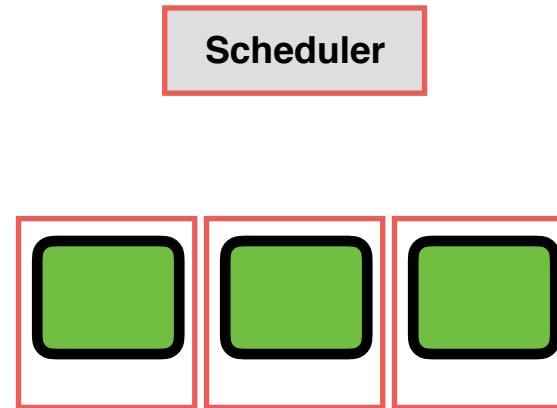
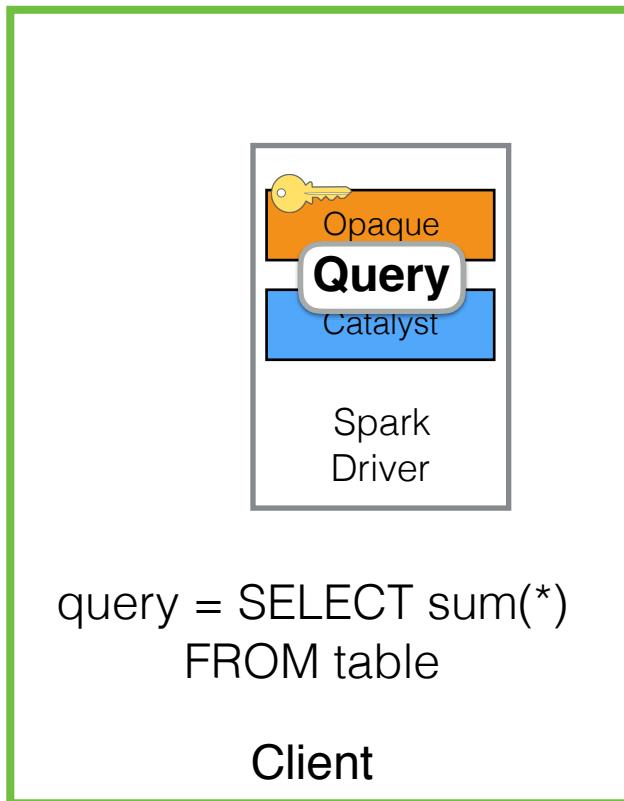
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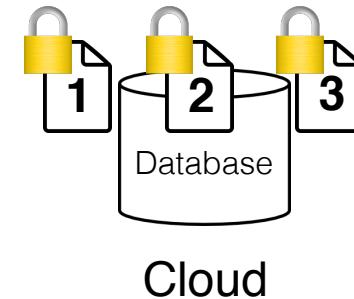
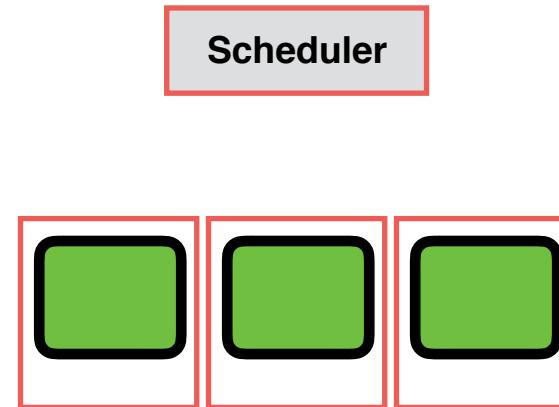
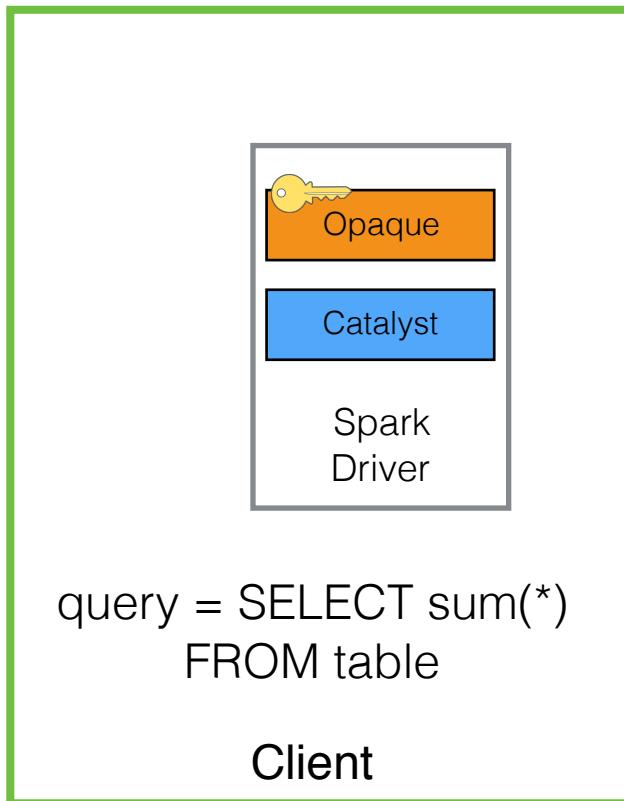
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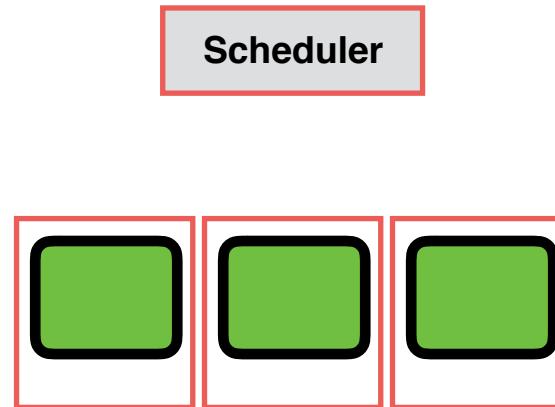
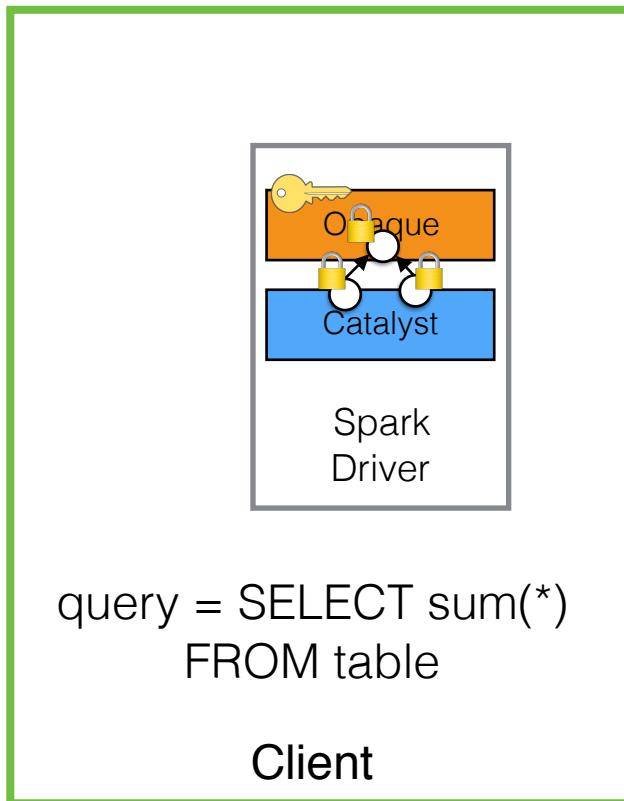
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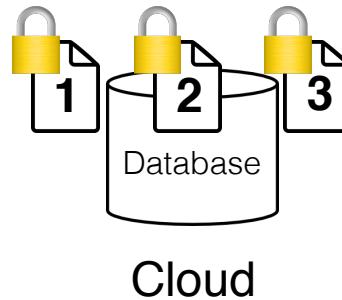
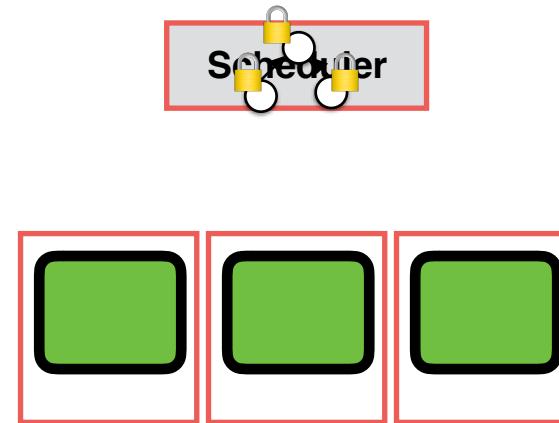
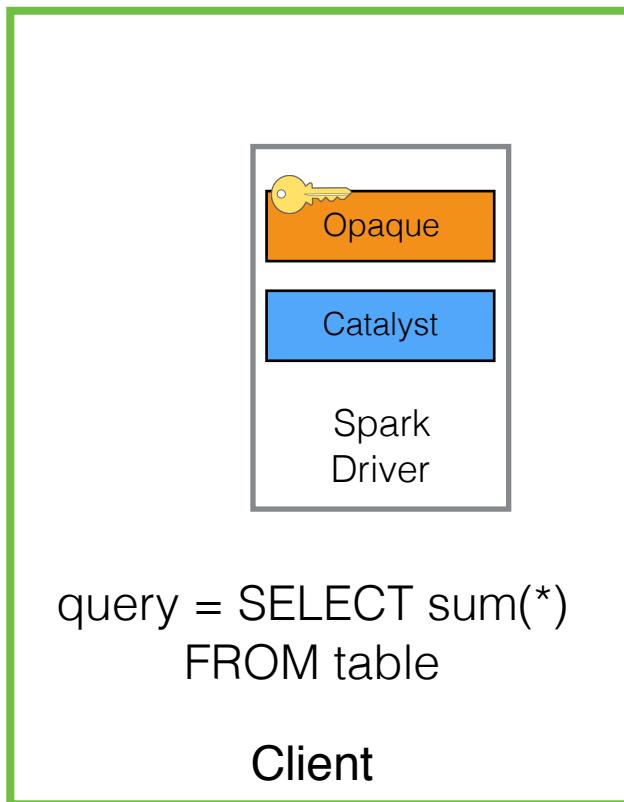


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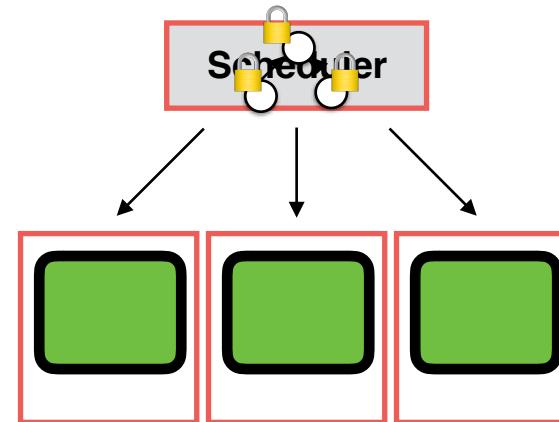
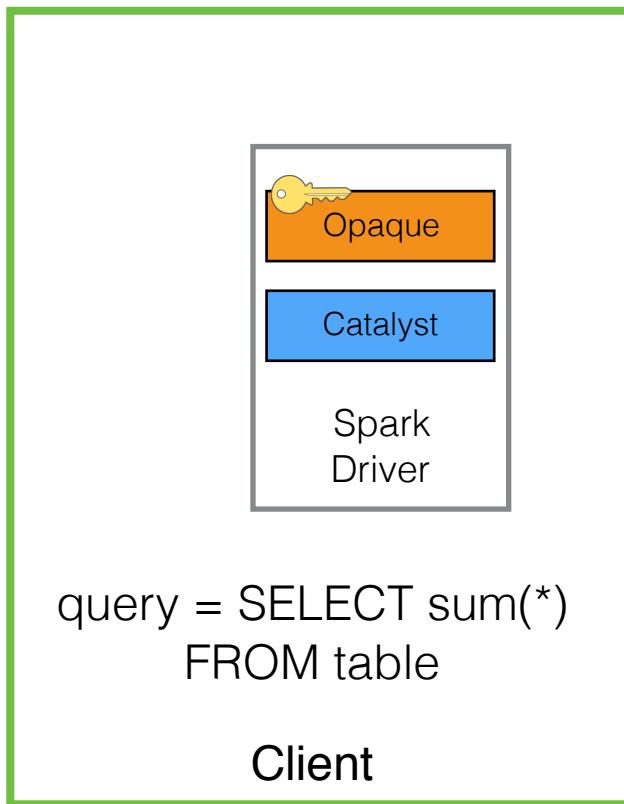


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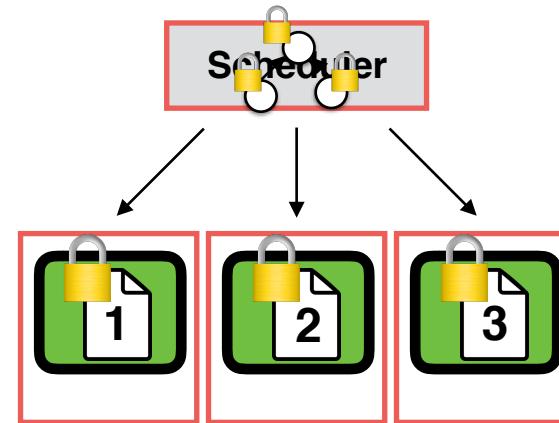
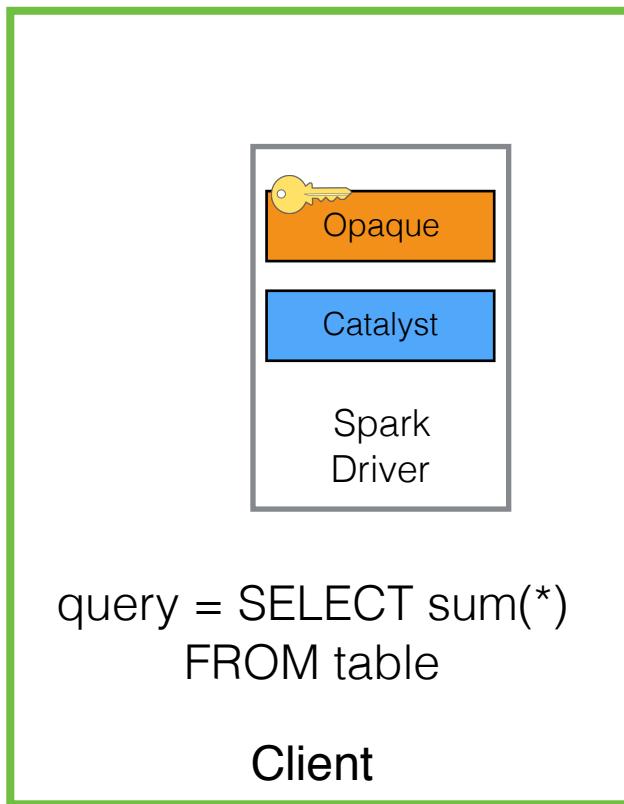


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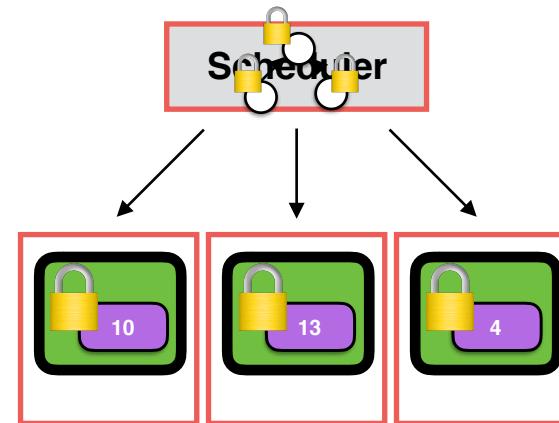
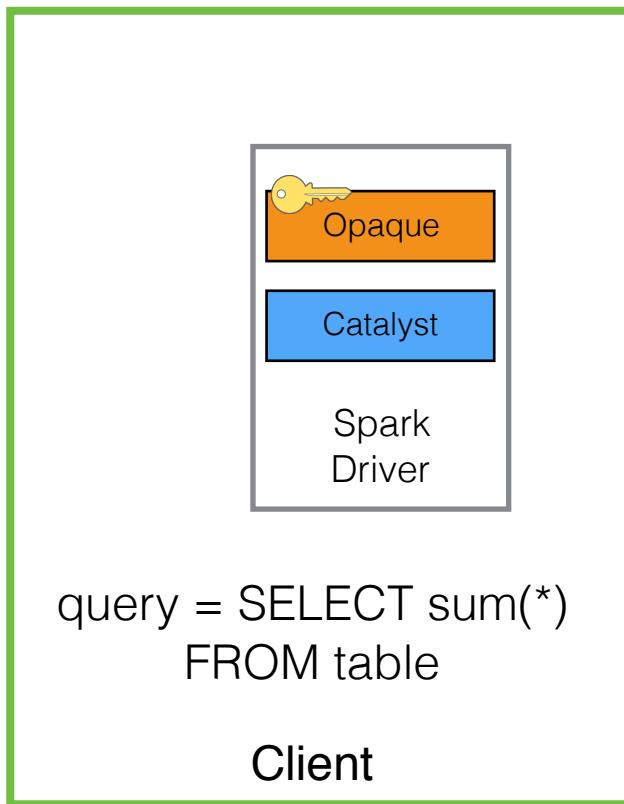
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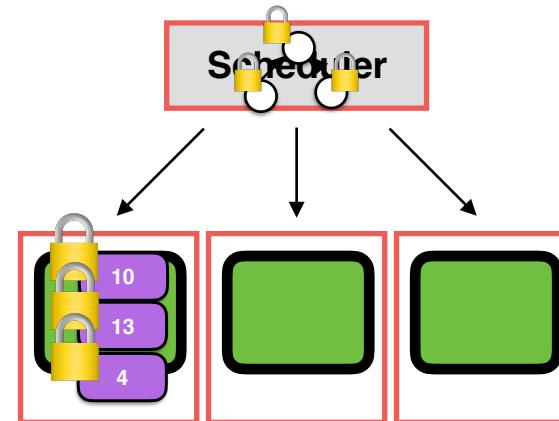
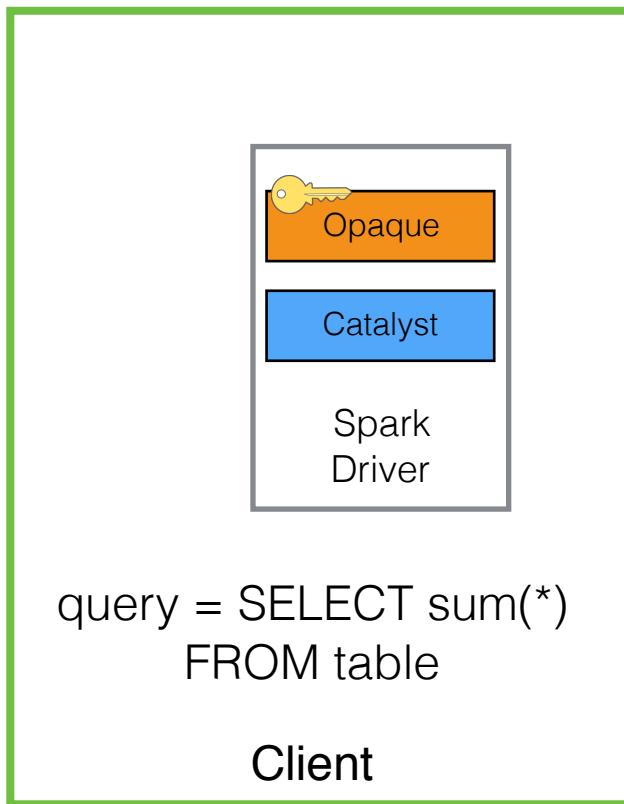


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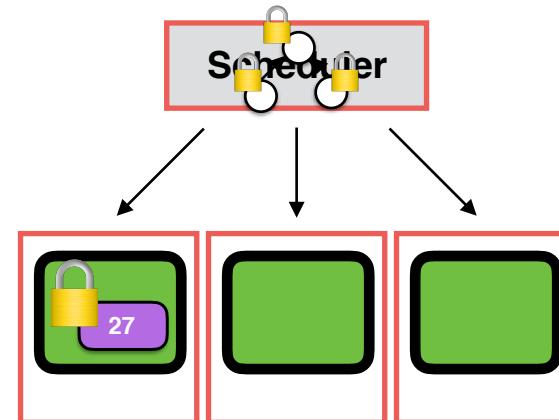
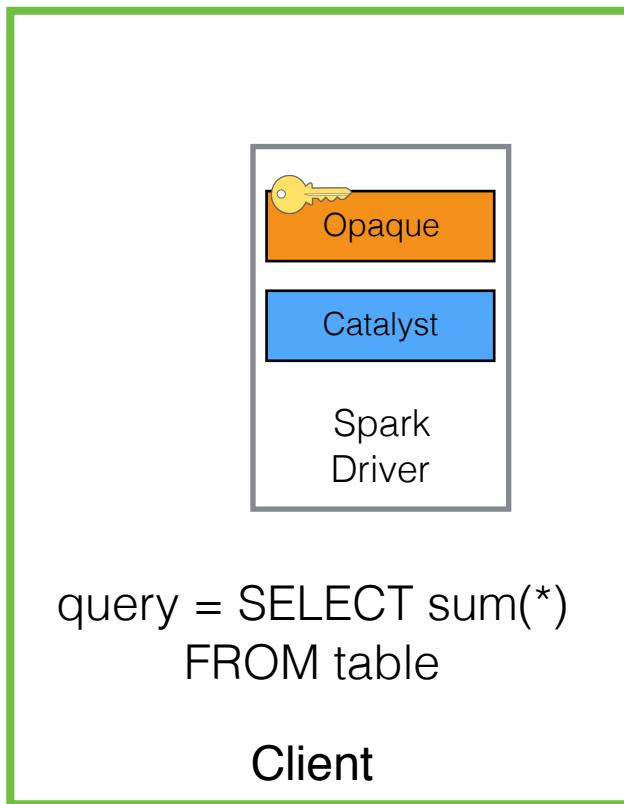
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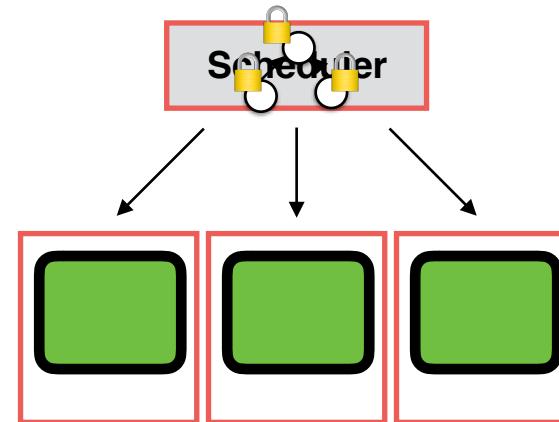
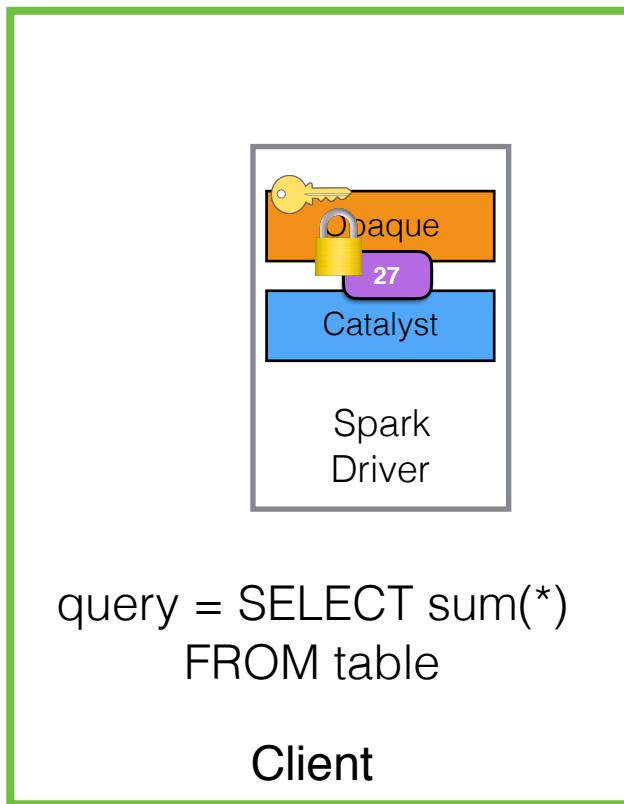
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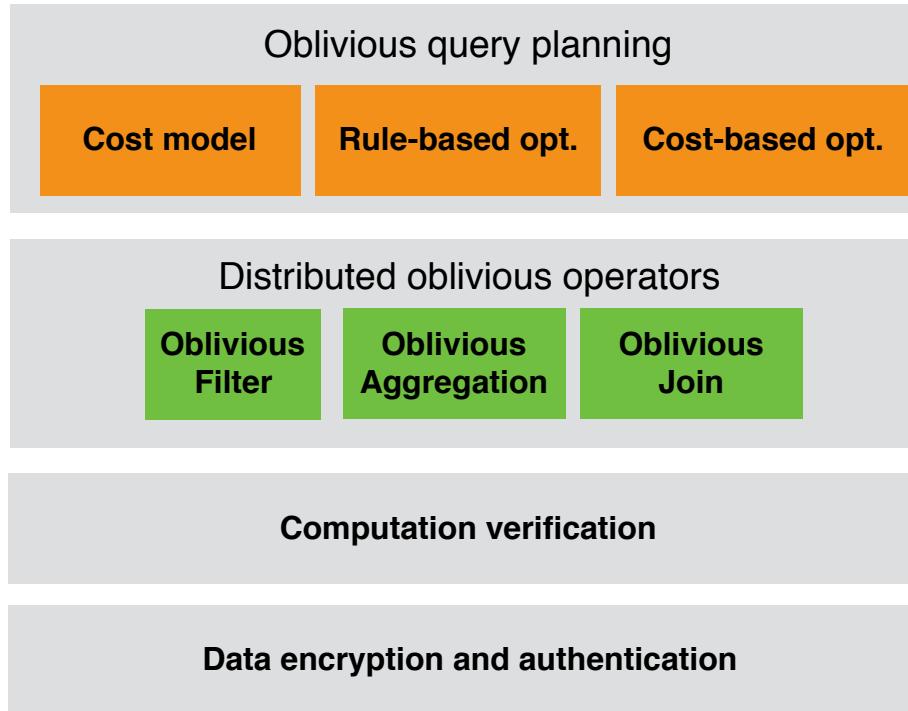
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# Open source

<https://github.com/ucbrise/opaque>

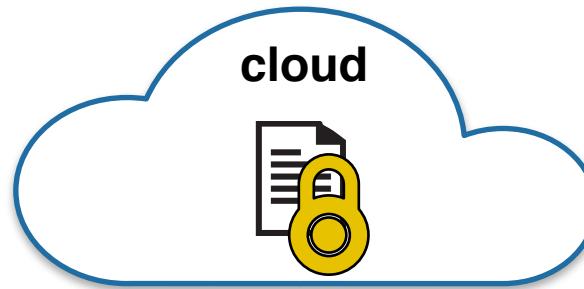
Adoption: IBM RestAssured, Ericsson, Alibaba

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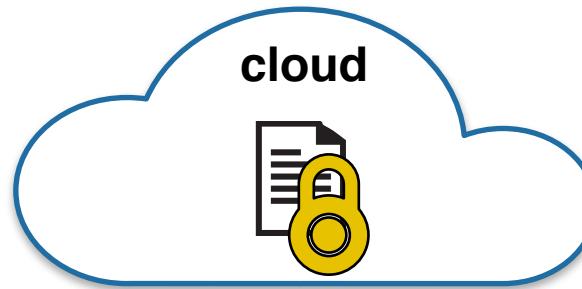
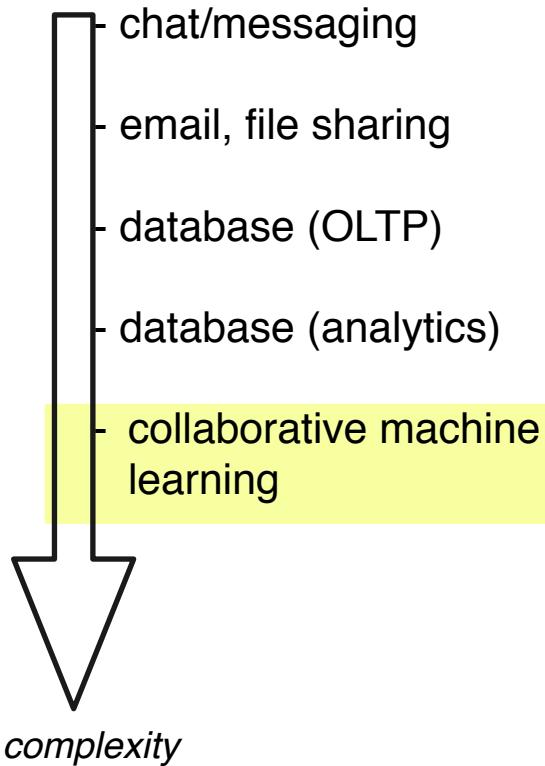
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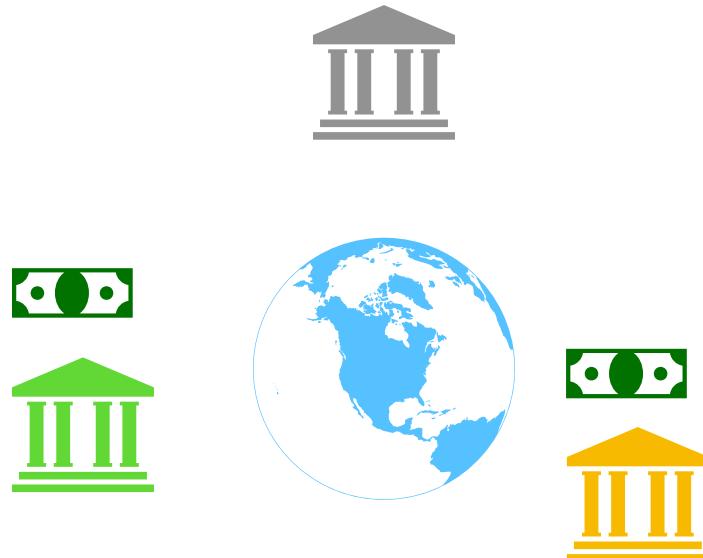
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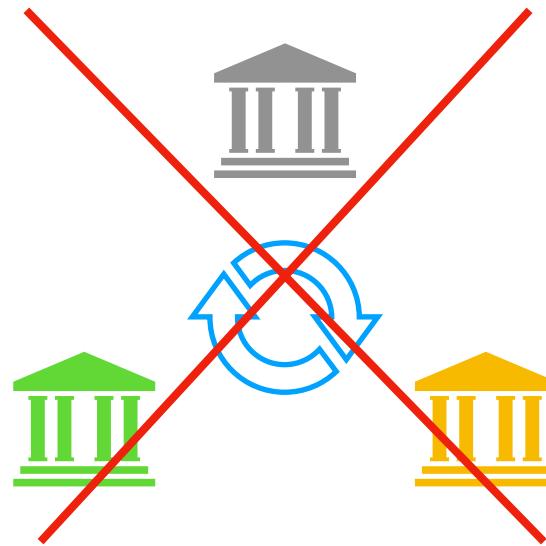
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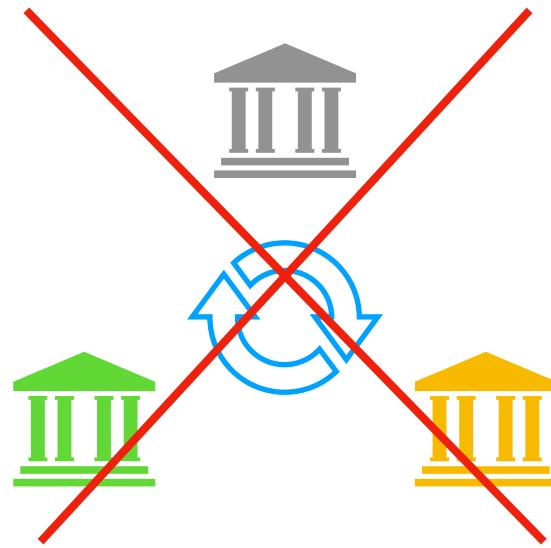
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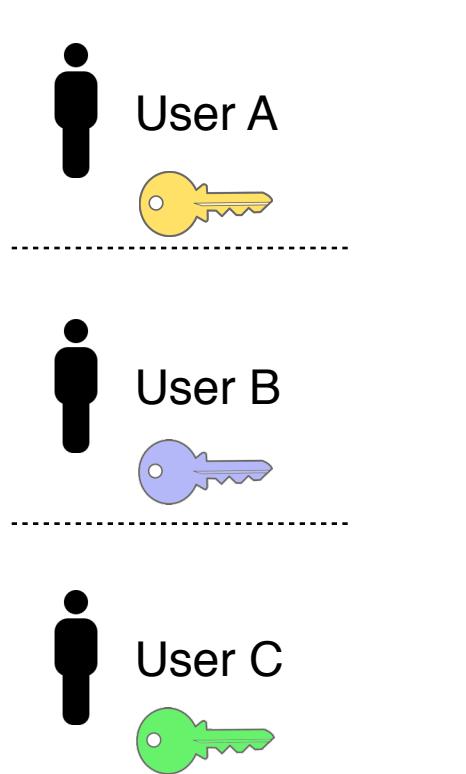
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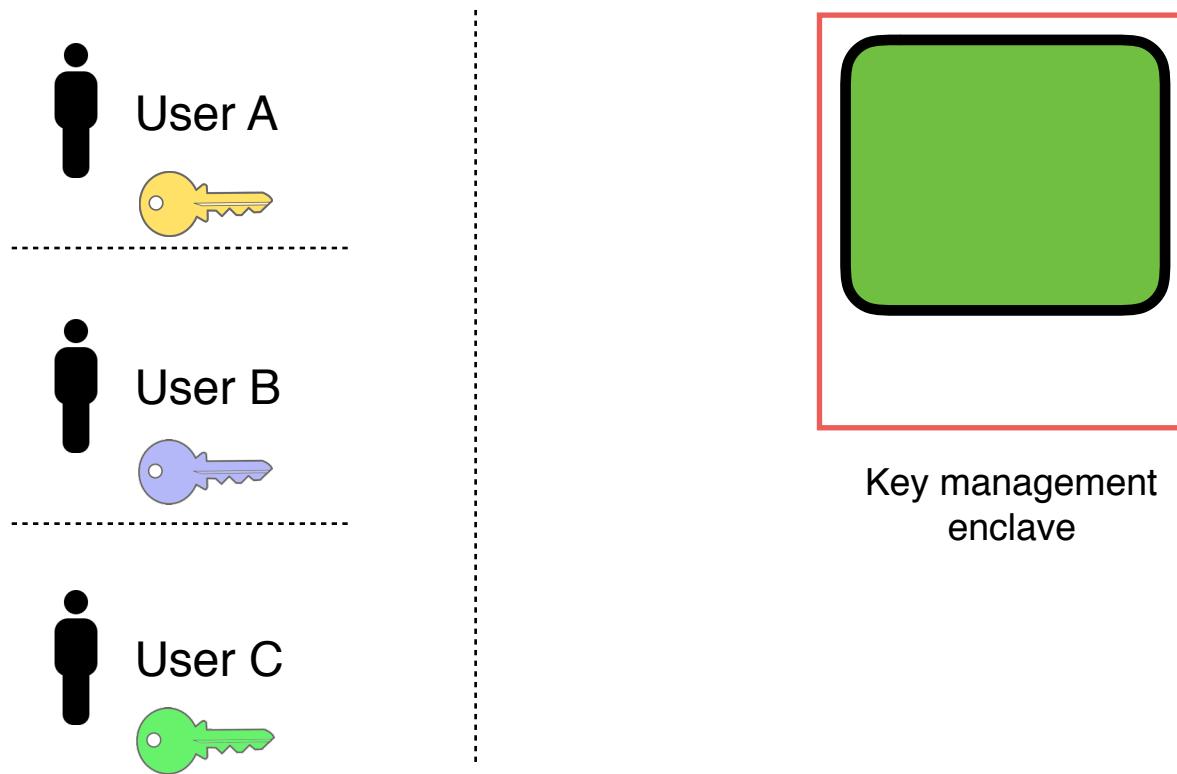
A different setup tradeoff:

- Hardware enclaves + oblivious algorithms
- Secure multi-party computation

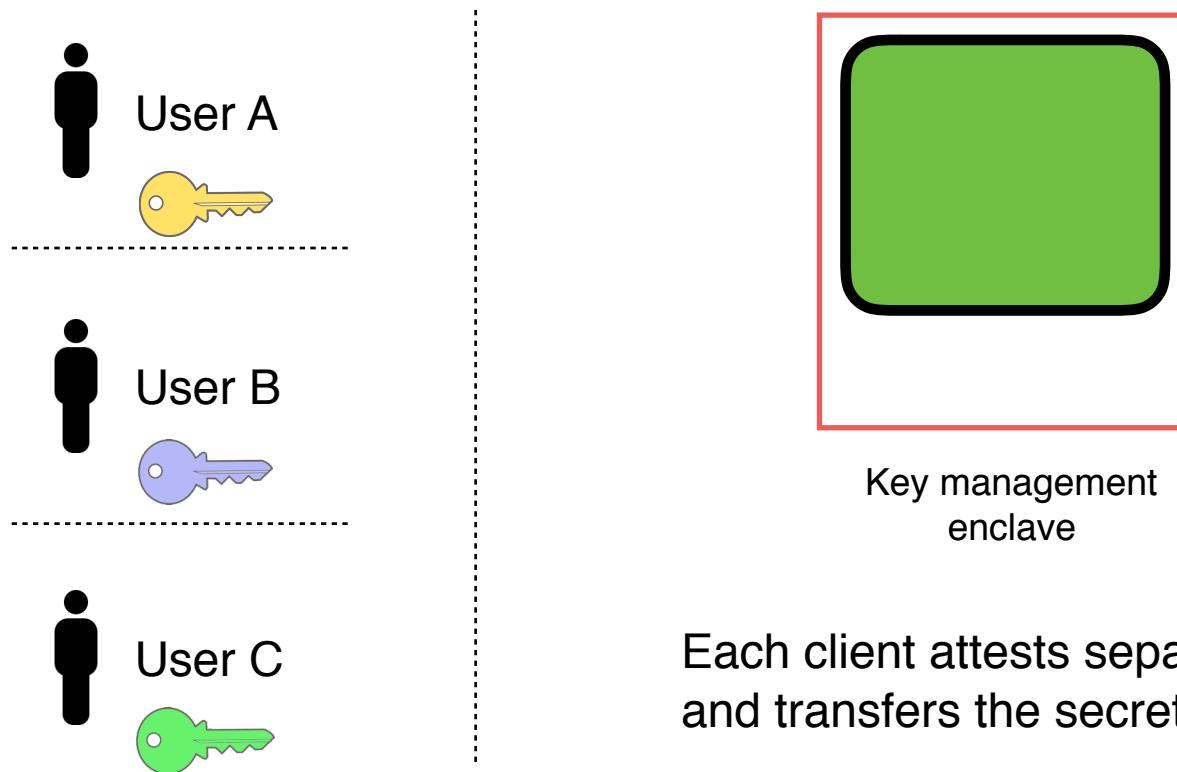
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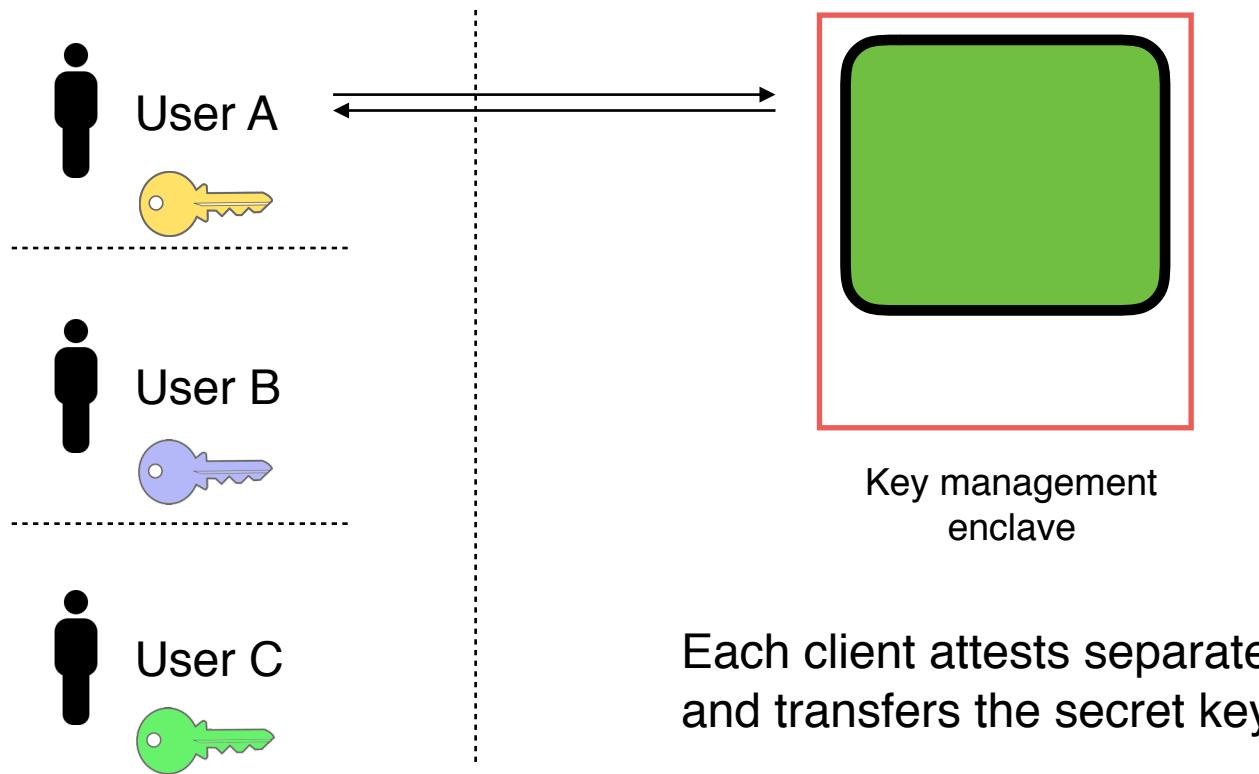
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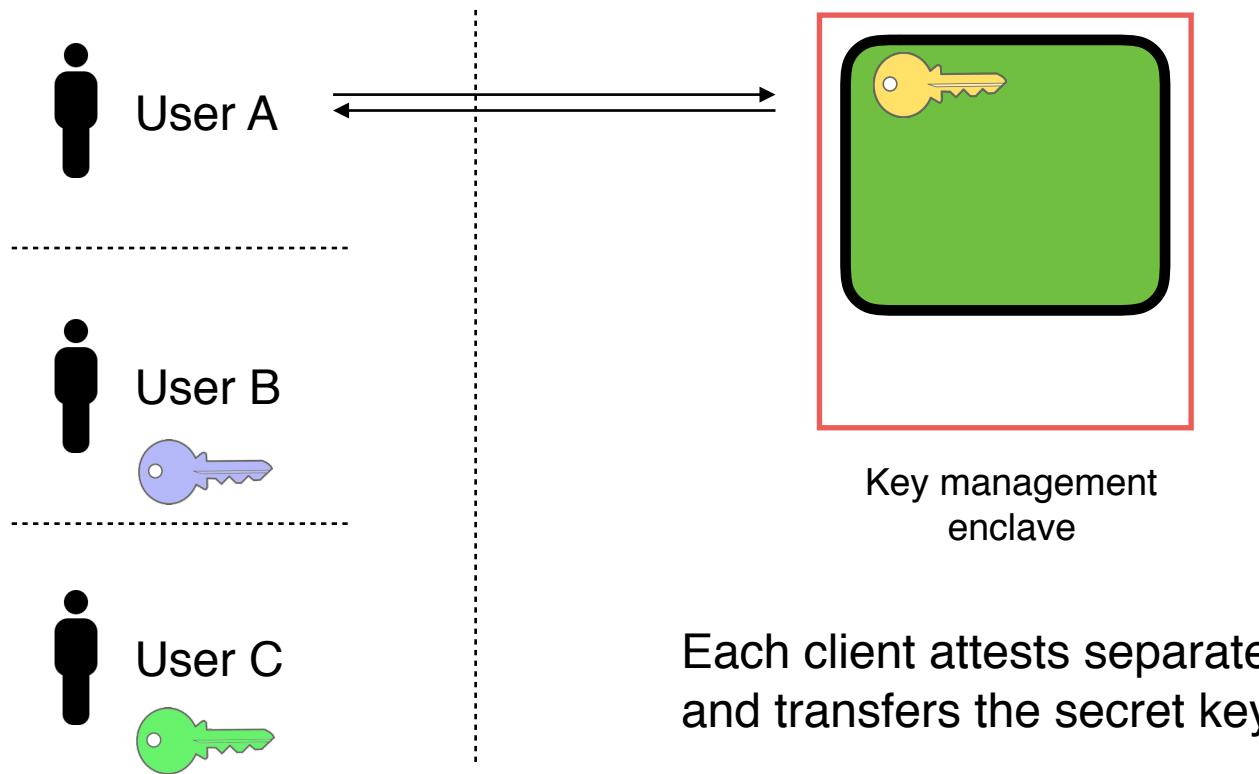
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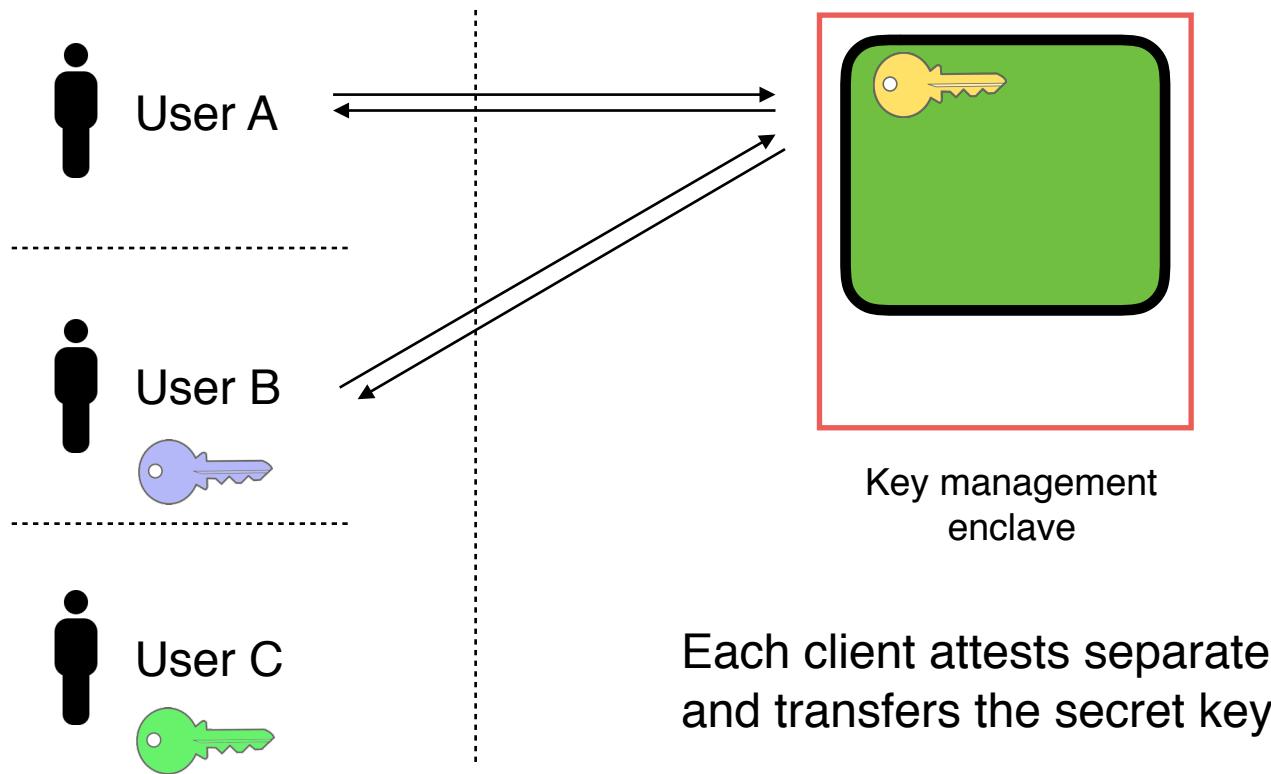
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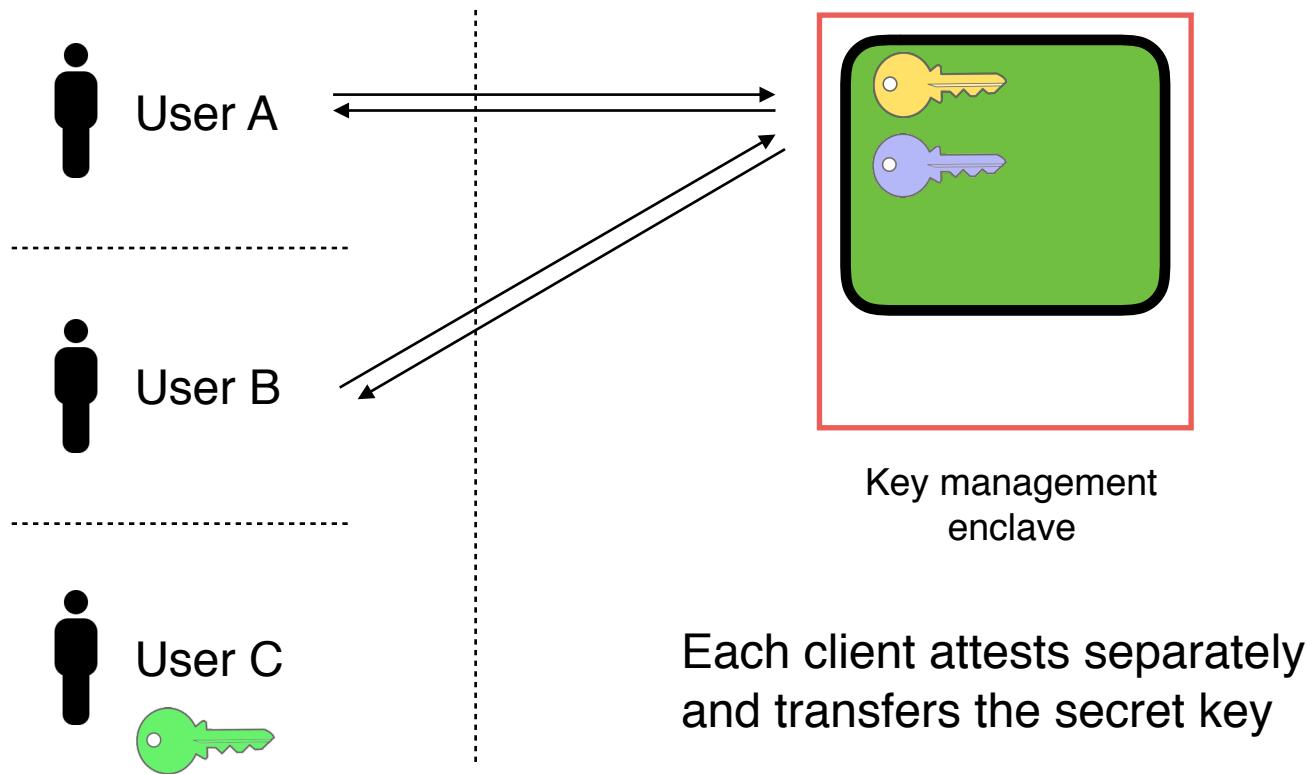
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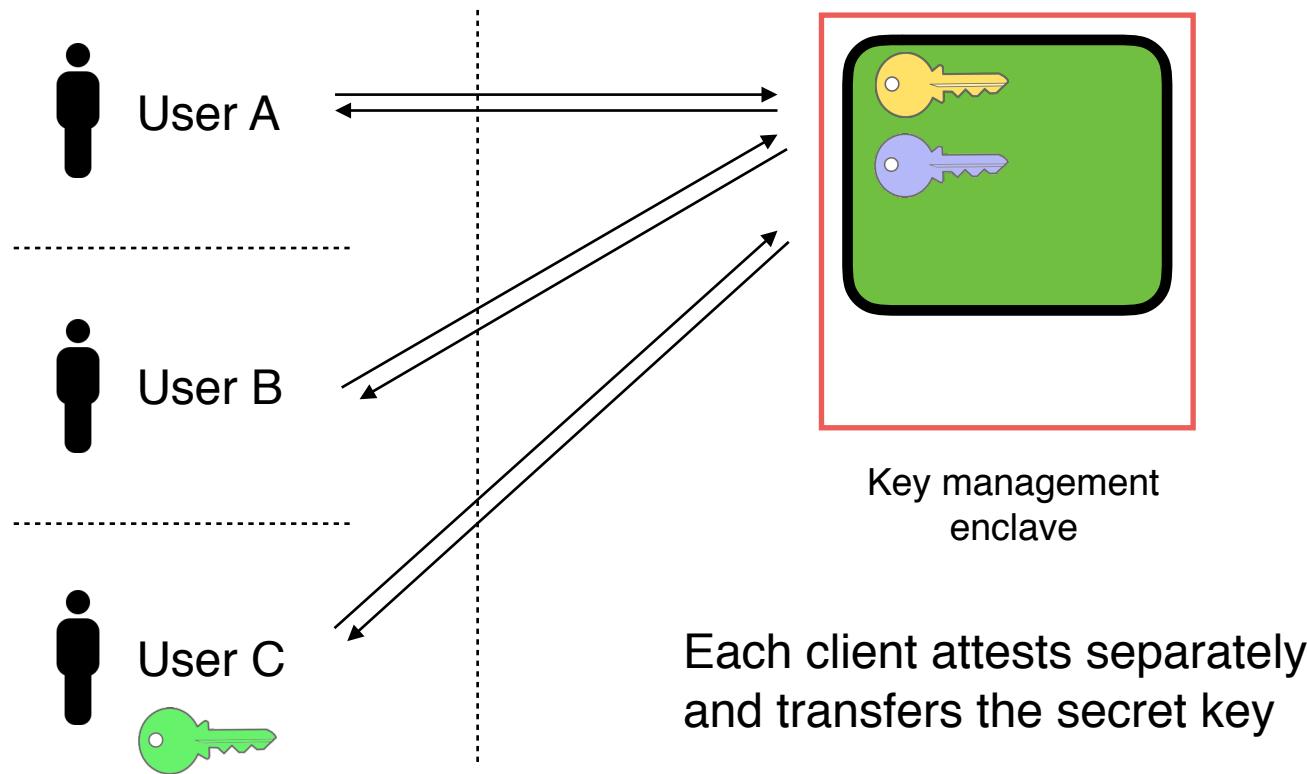
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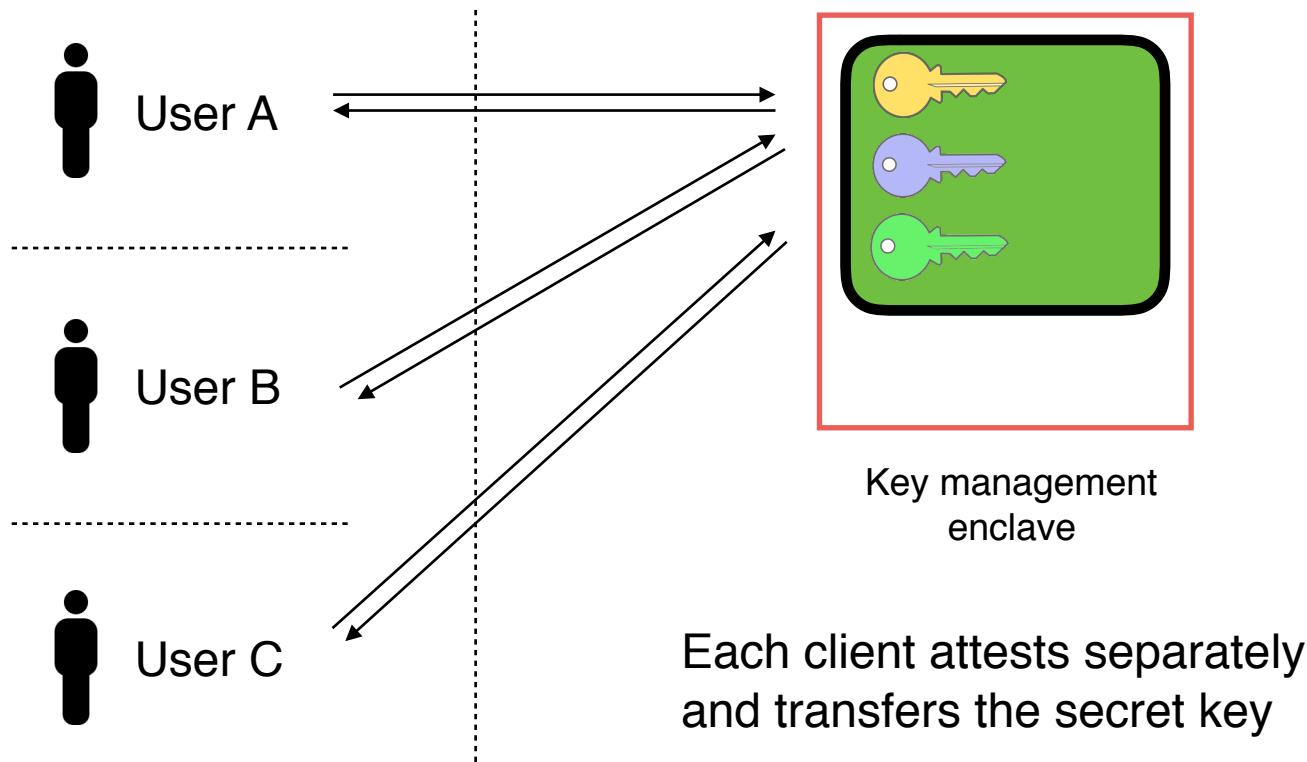
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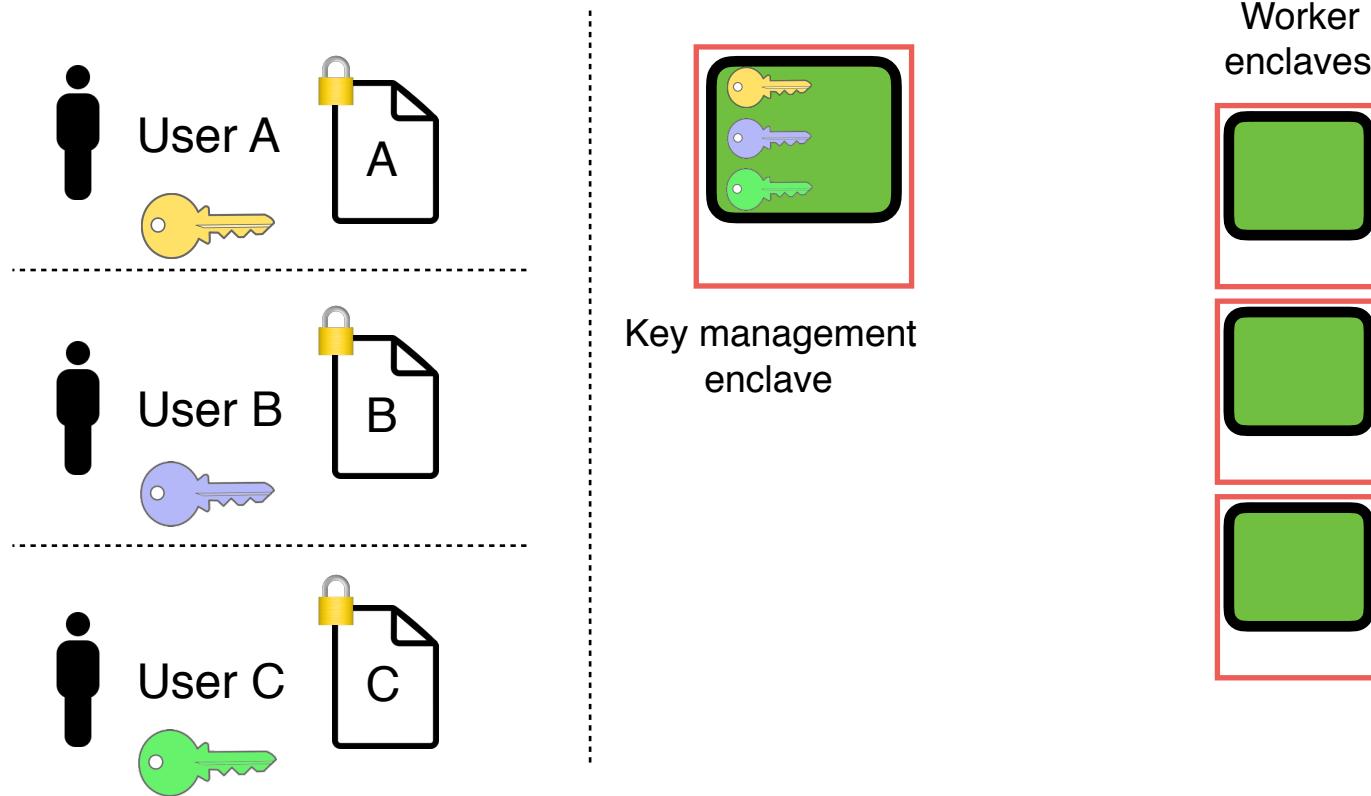
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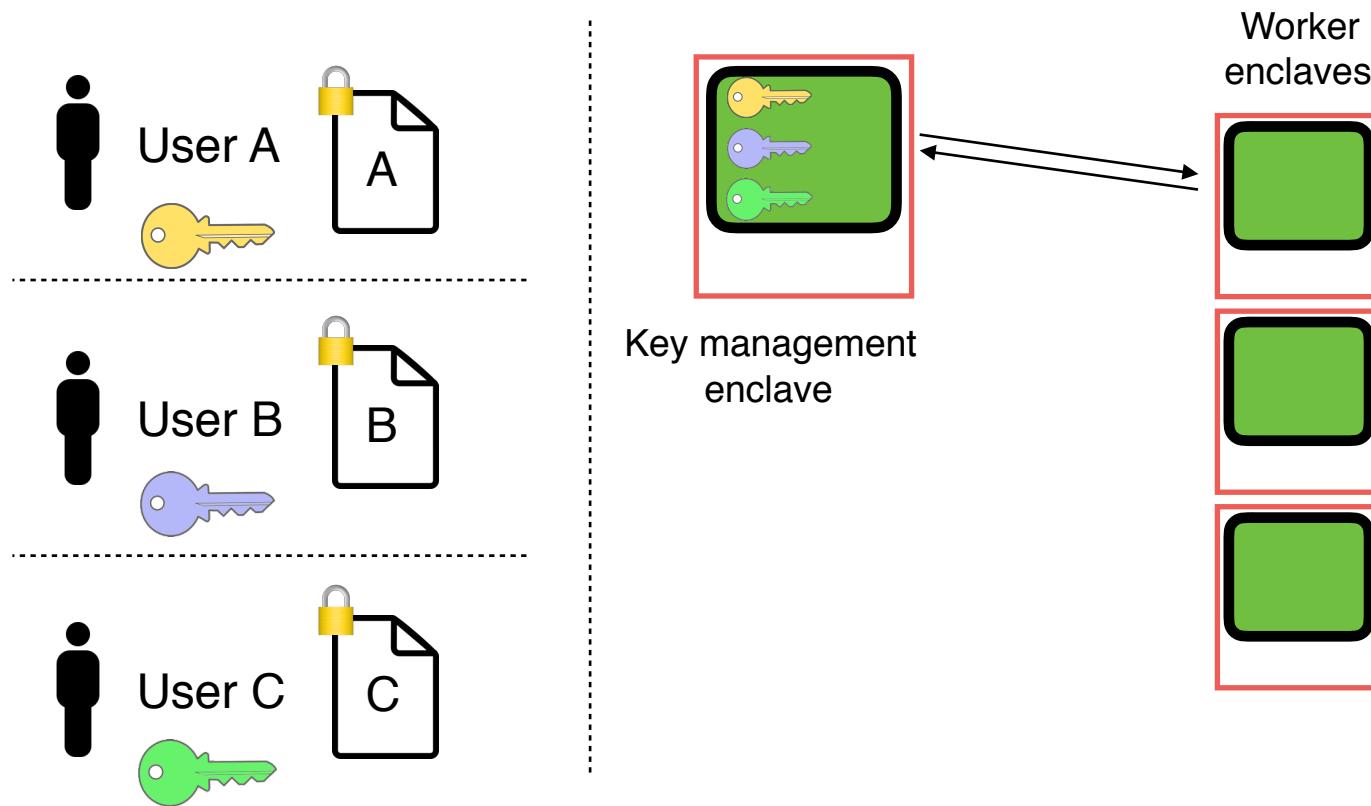
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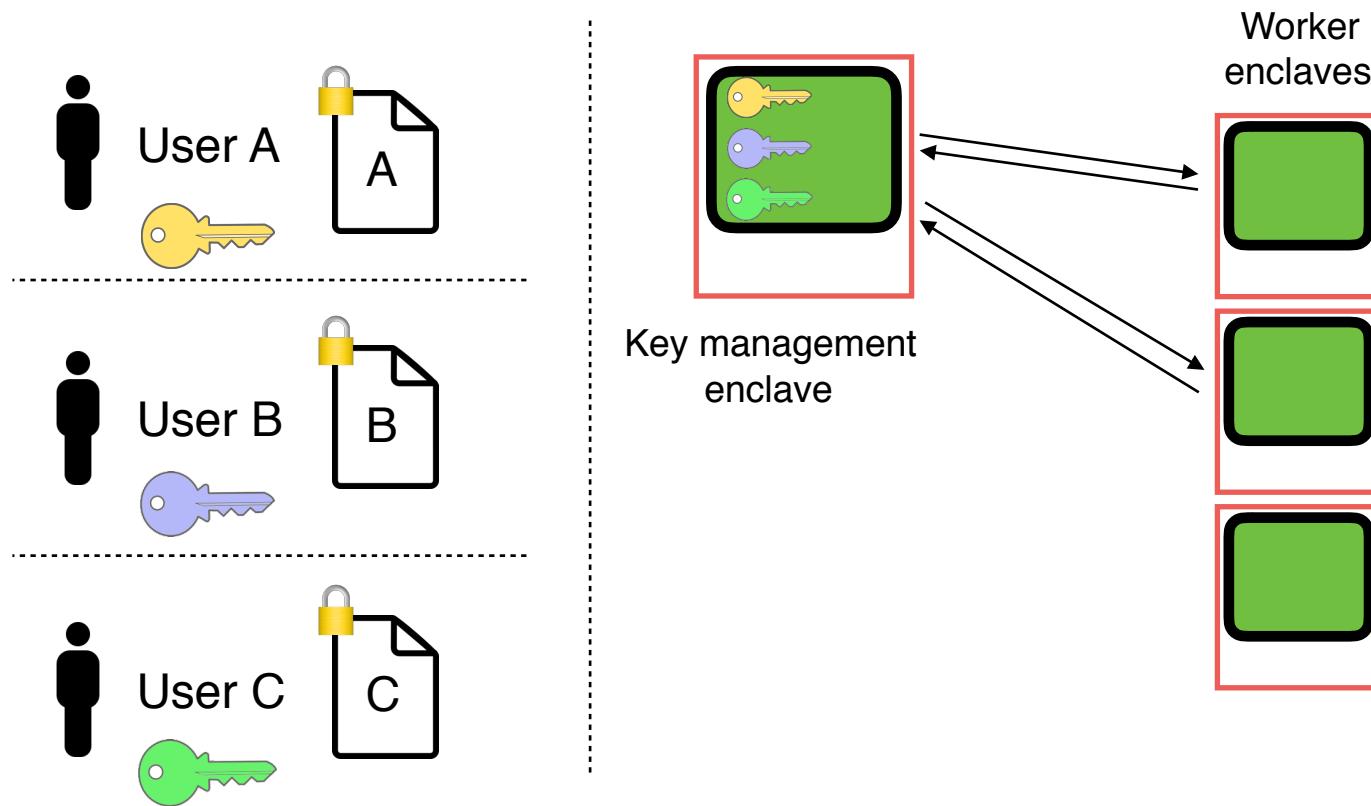
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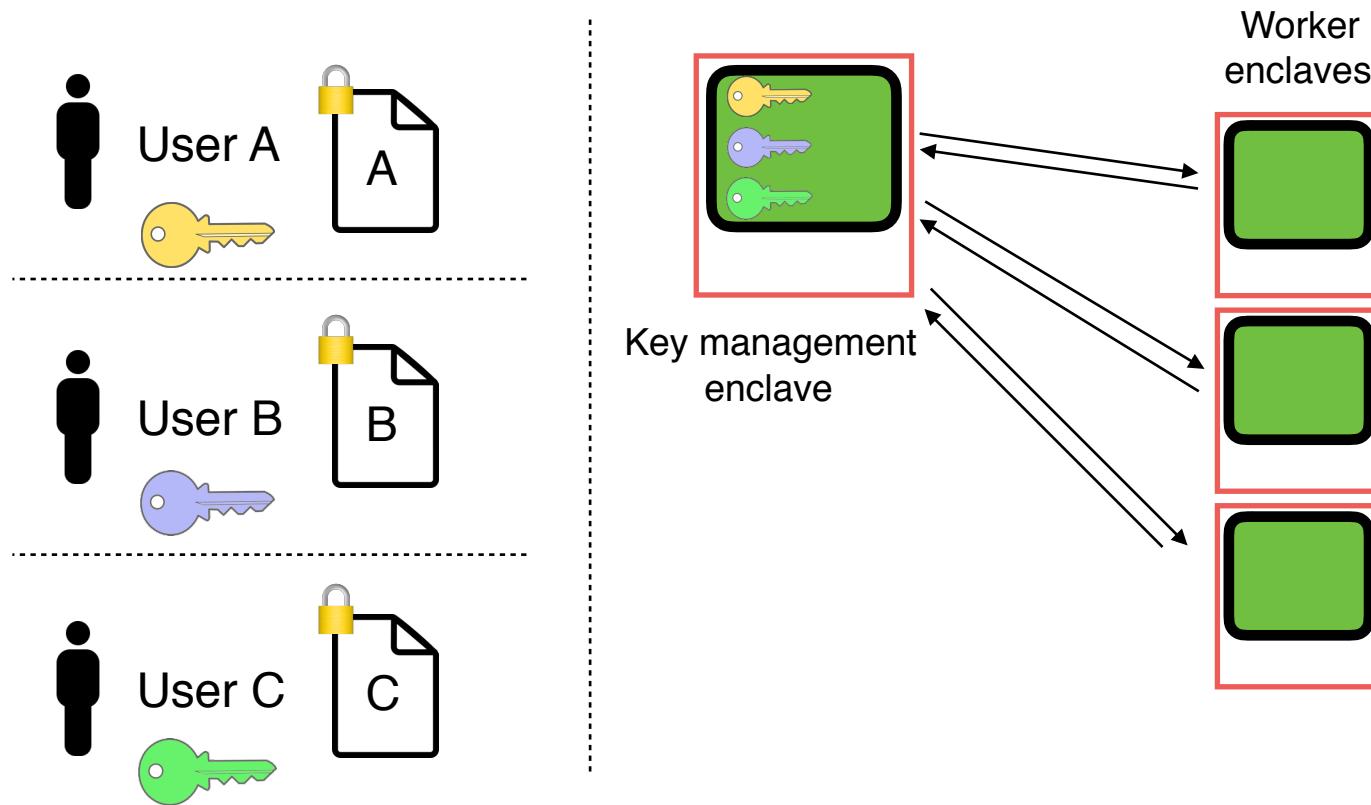
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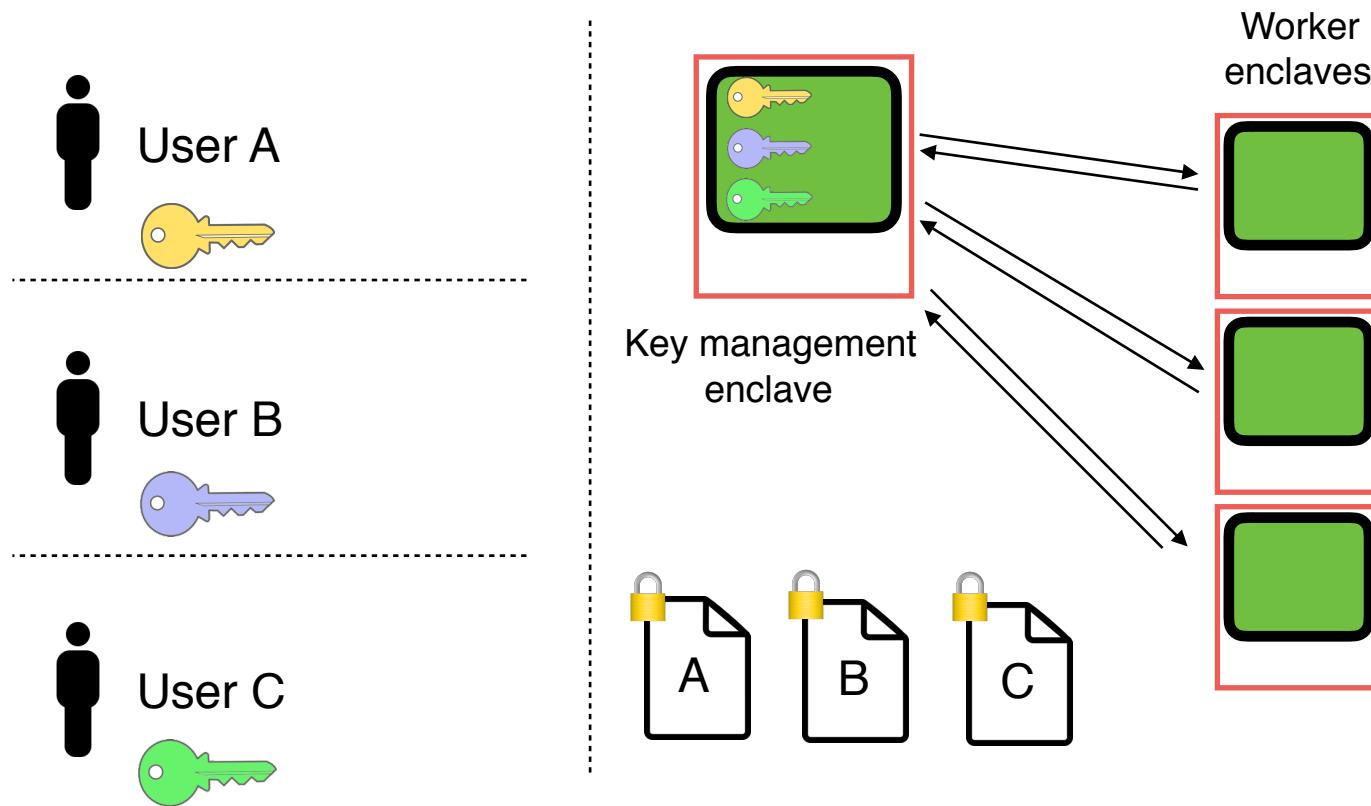
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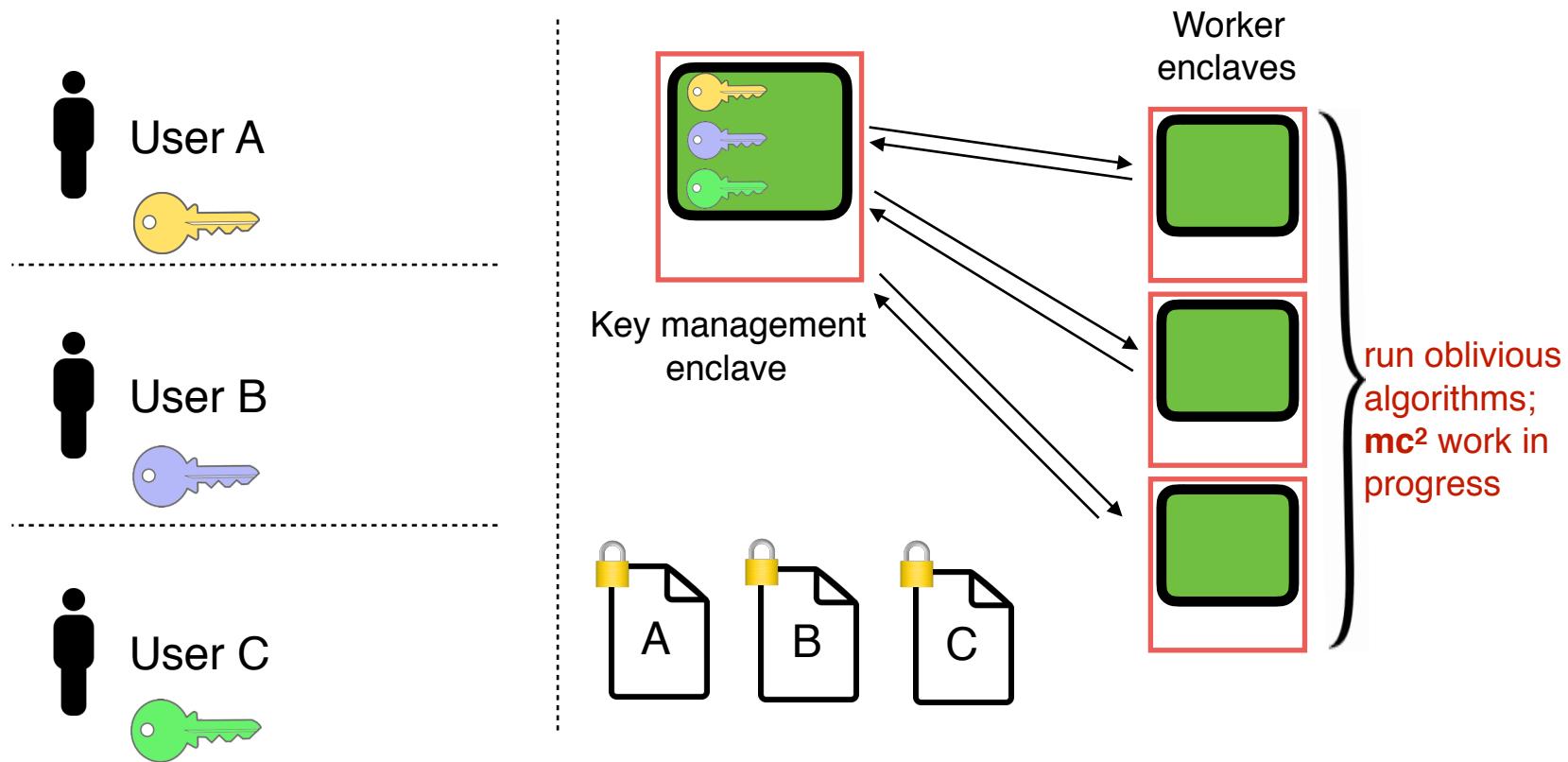
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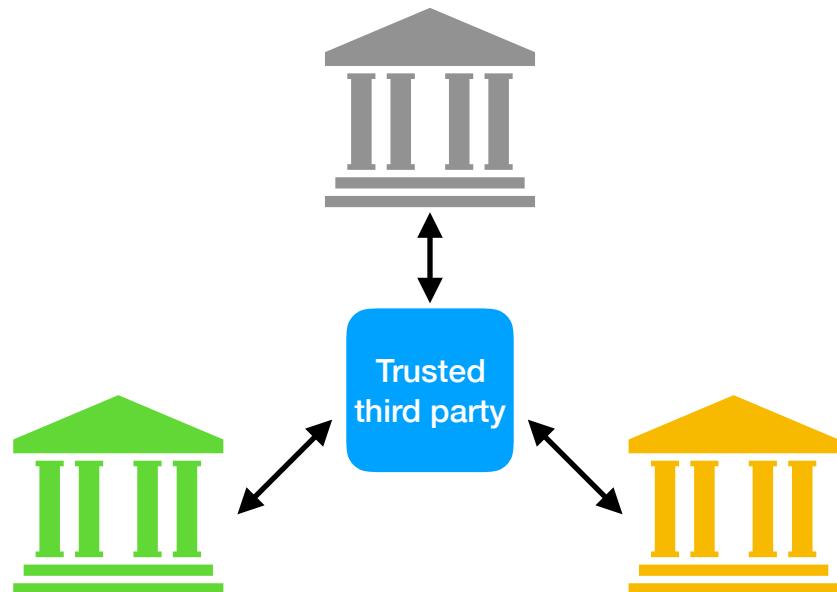
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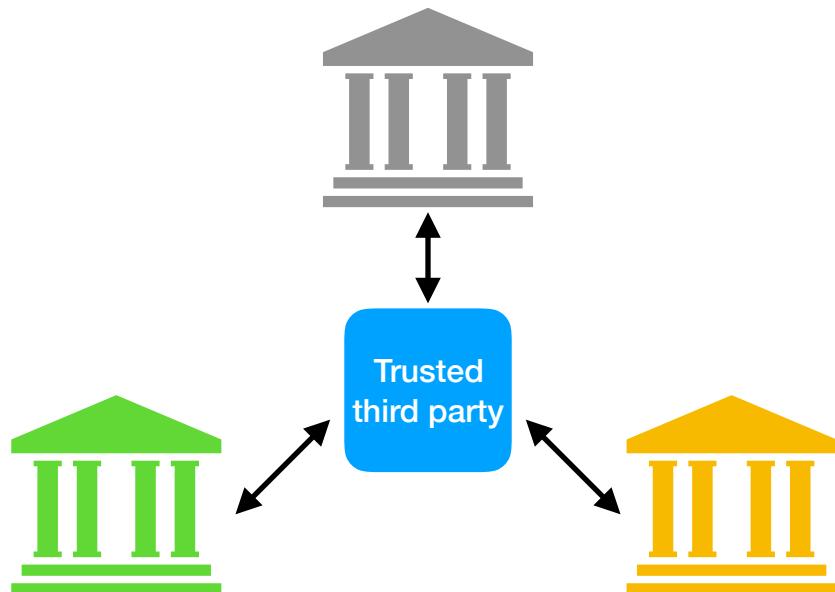


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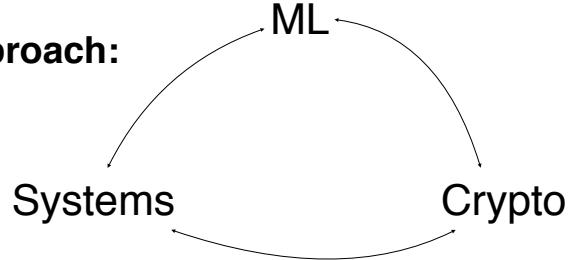
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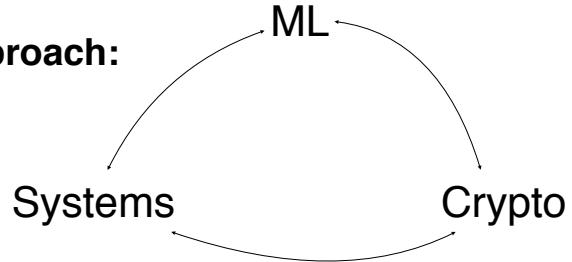
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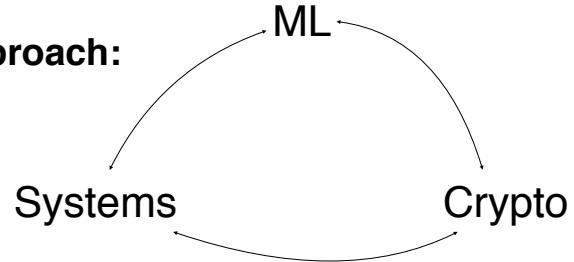


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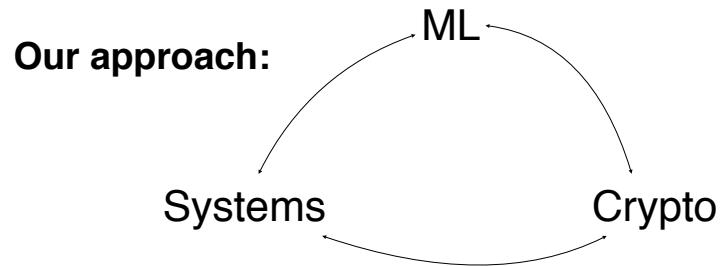
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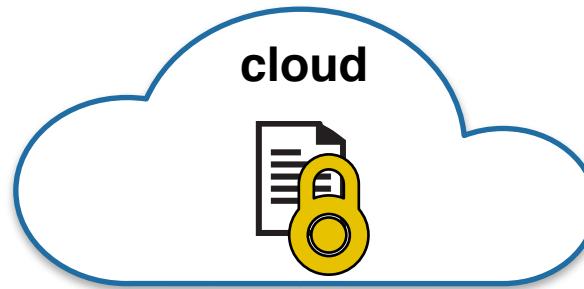
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