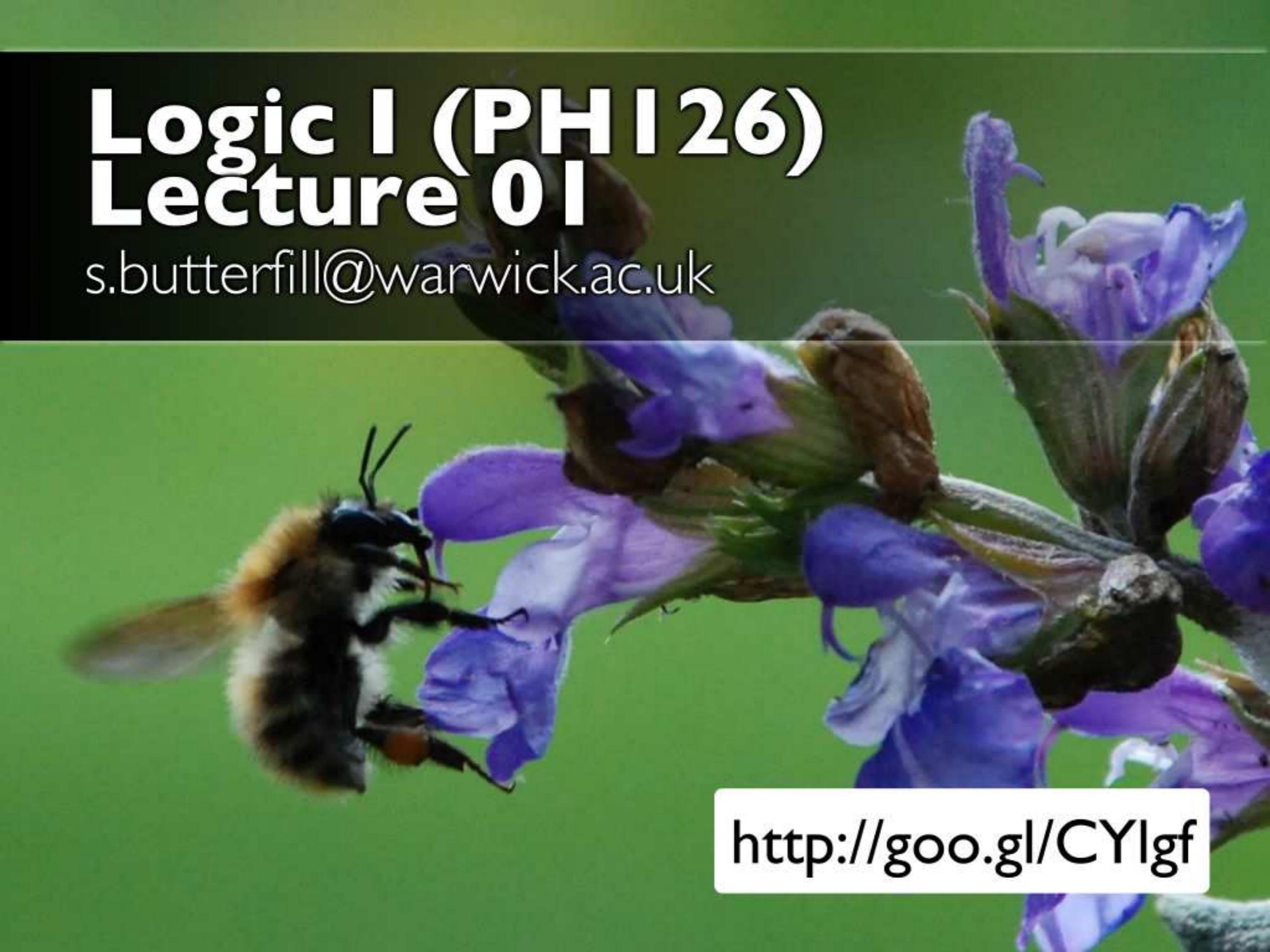


Logic I (PHI 26)

Lecture 01

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A close-up photograph of a bumblebee with a dark body and a prominent yellow and black striped pollen basket (abdomen) flying towards a cluster of vibrant purple flowers. The flowers are attached to a green stem, and the background is a soft-focus green field.

<http://goo.gl/CYlgf>



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Why Logic?



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(Wittgenstein, *Tractatus 5.61*)



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‘don’t obey no laws, not even gravity’

(Tariq Trotter)



precise expression

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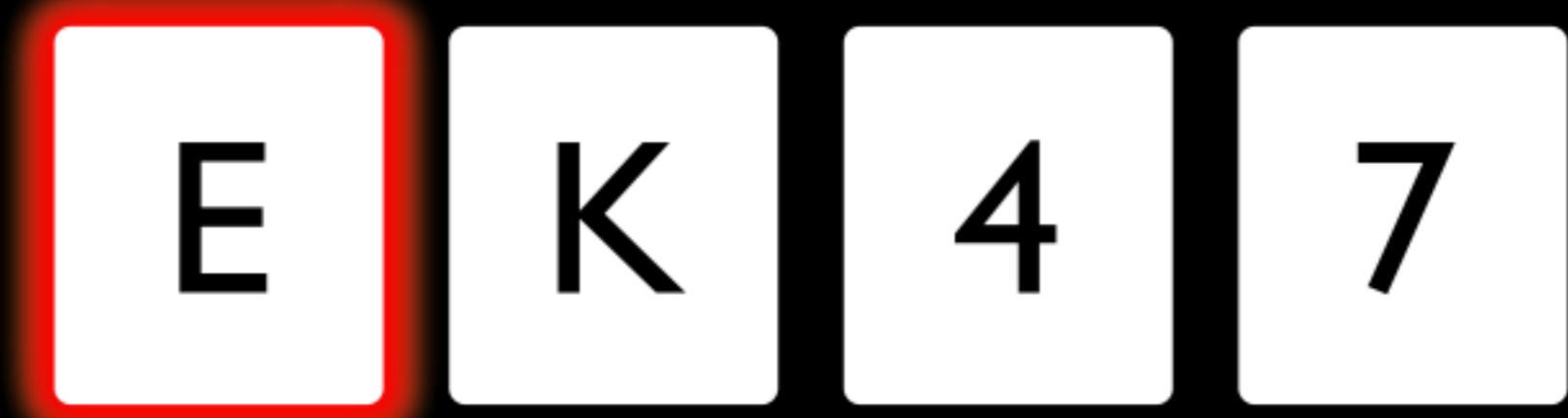
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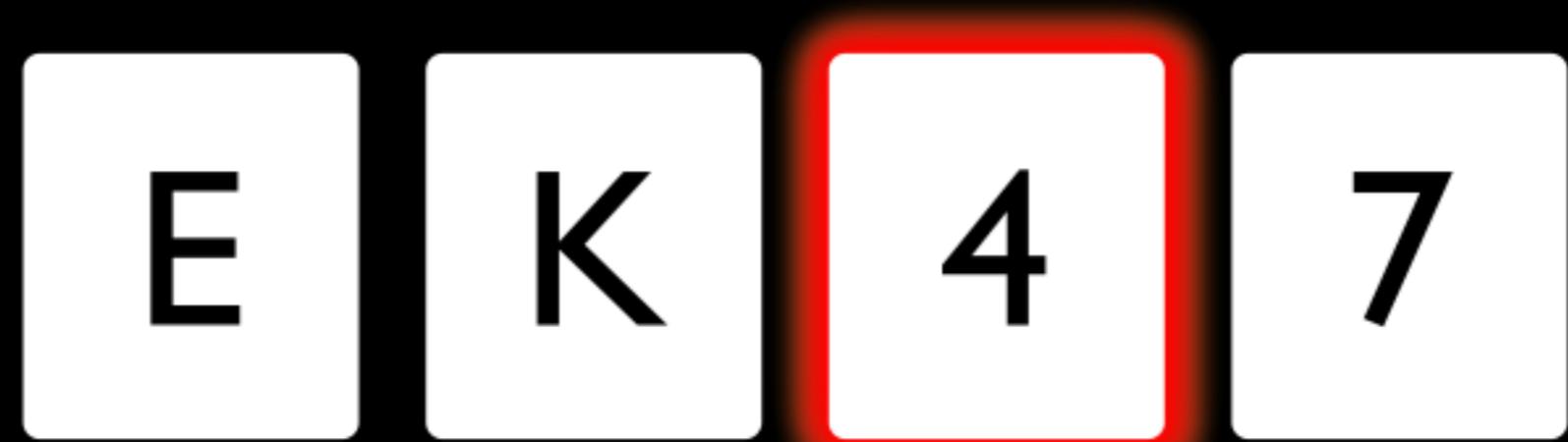
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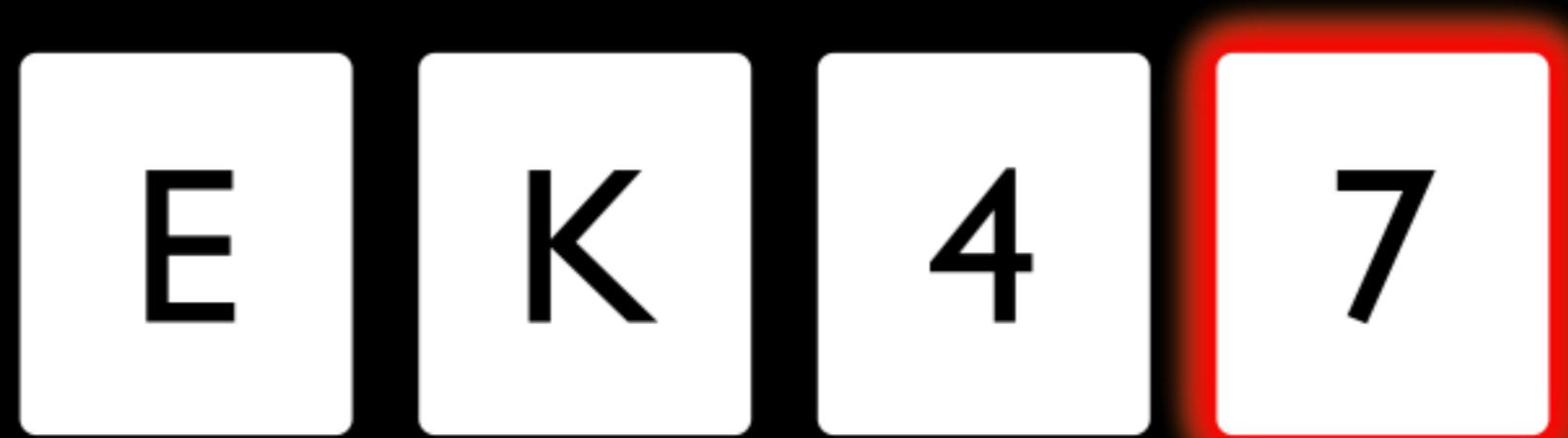
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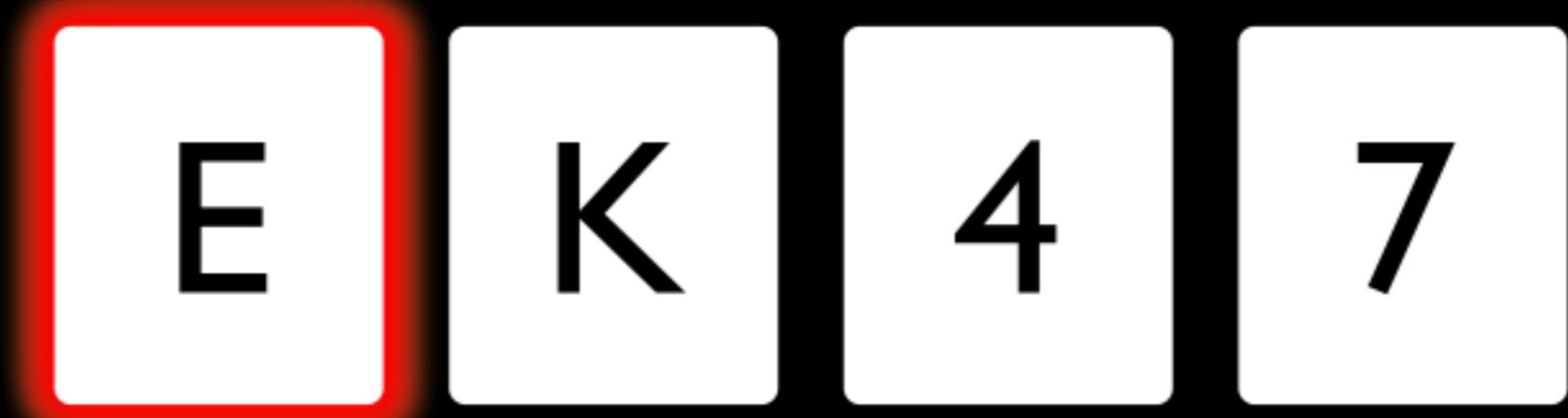
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‘Philosophy is thinking in slow motion.’ (John Cam



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From:

Date: 03:55

To: s.a.butterfill@warwick.ac.uk

Dear Stephen,

I am re-taking starting logic on tuesday, and was wondering if you could explain to me the difference between contingent, tautologous and inconsistent in terms of truth table results, as I cannot find this information anywhere else?

Many Thanks,



Quick Intro to Logiya ('FOL')



John is square

John is to the left of Ayesha

John is square

name

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John is to the left of **Ayesha**

name

(refers to
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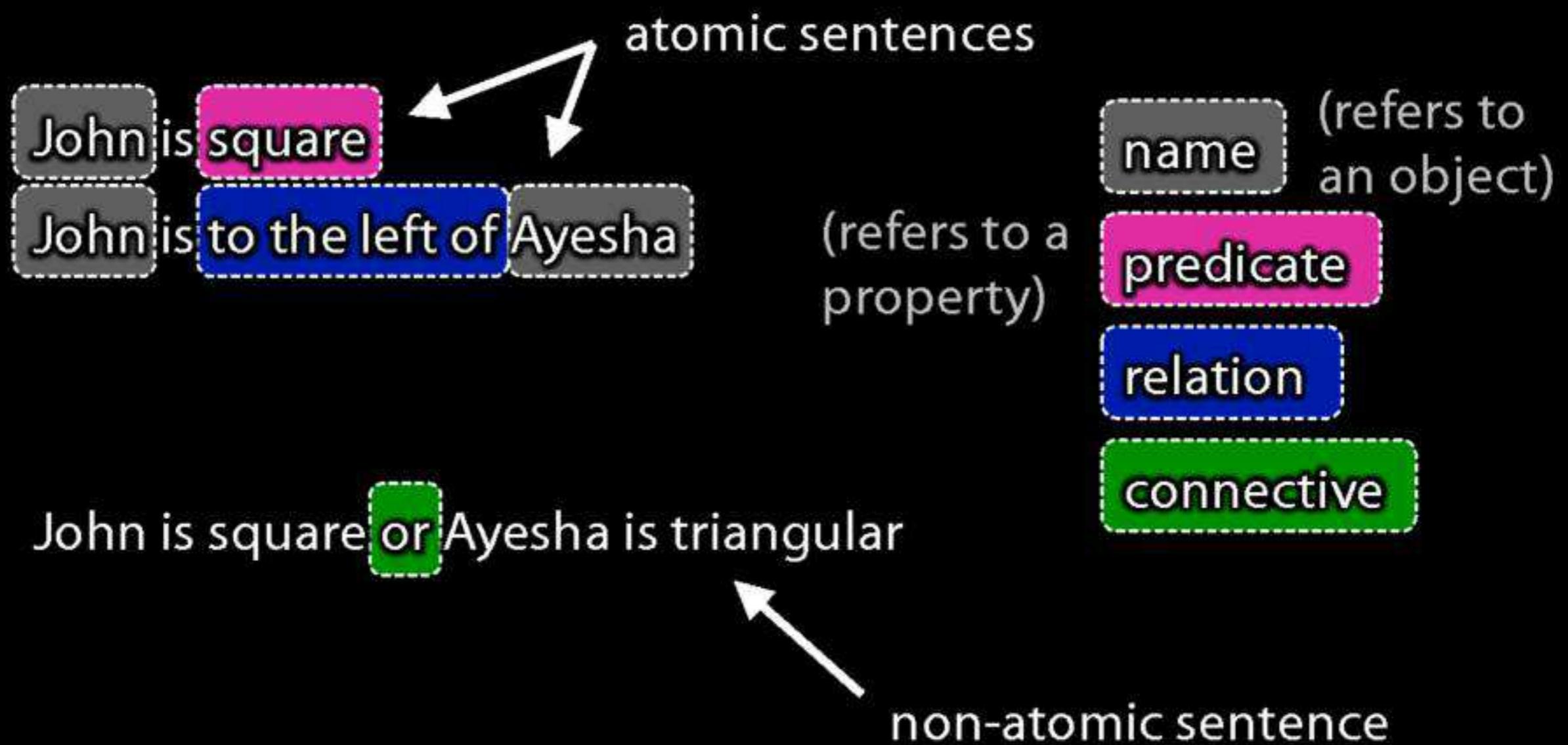
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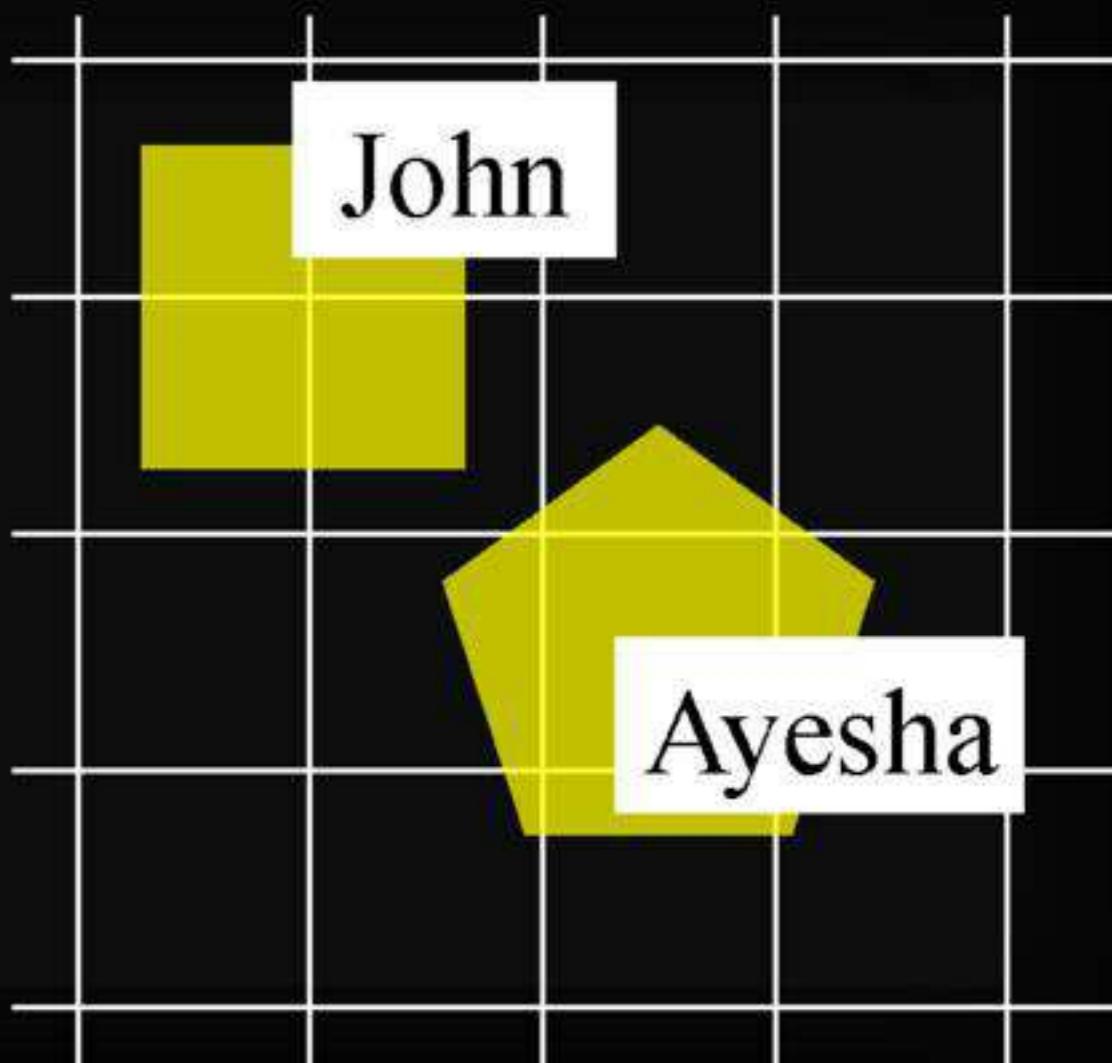
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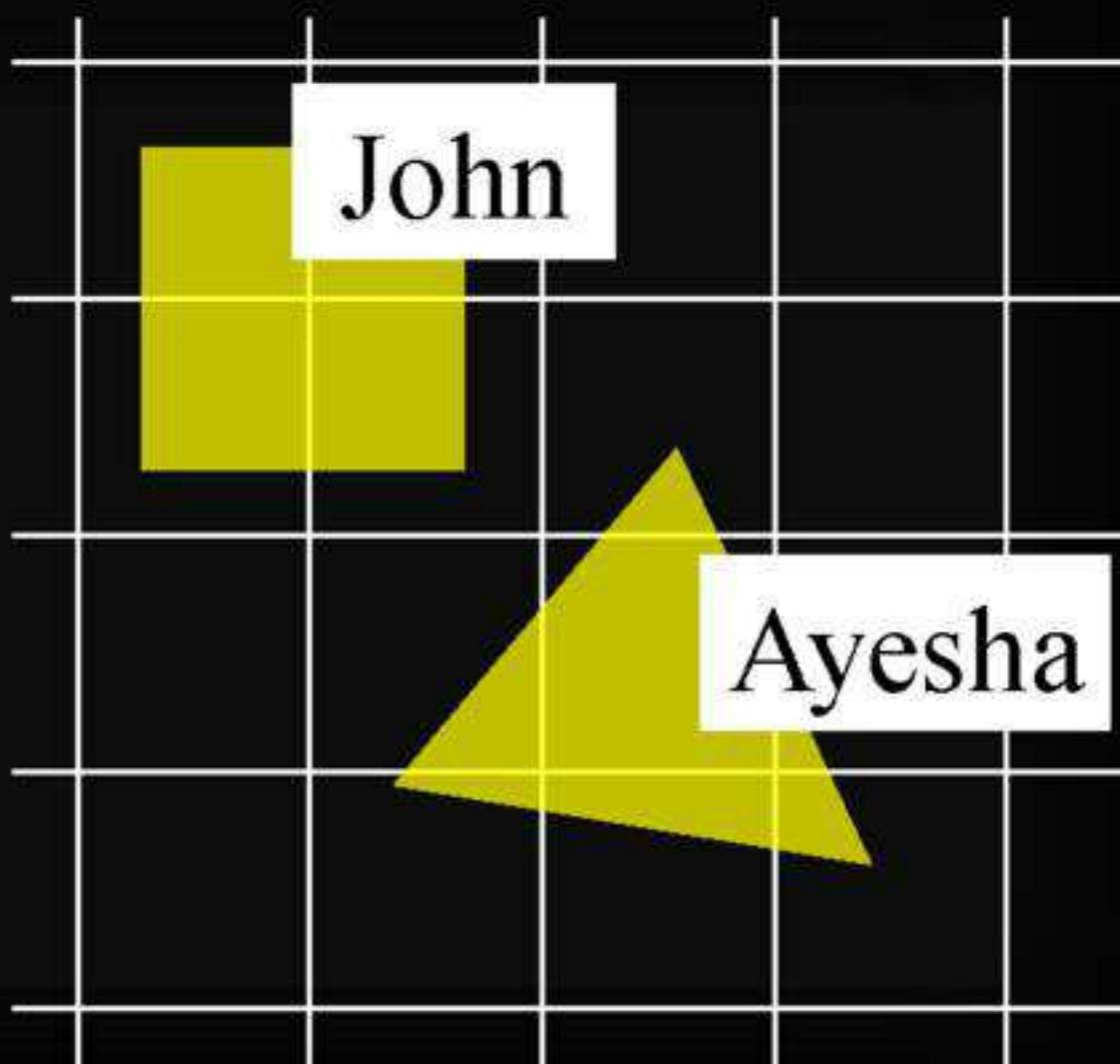
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This is a hospital where doctors are trained.

Many more people have been to Paris than I have.

Logically Valid Arguments

A close-up photograph of a bumblebee hovering over a purple flower. The bee is positioned centrally, facing towards the bottom right. It has dark brown and yellowish-brown stripes on its abdomen and transparent wings with dark veins. The flower it is hovering over is a vibrant purple color with a slightly darker center. In the background, there are more purple flowers and green buds on a stem, set against a soft-focus green and brown background.

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or

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not

or

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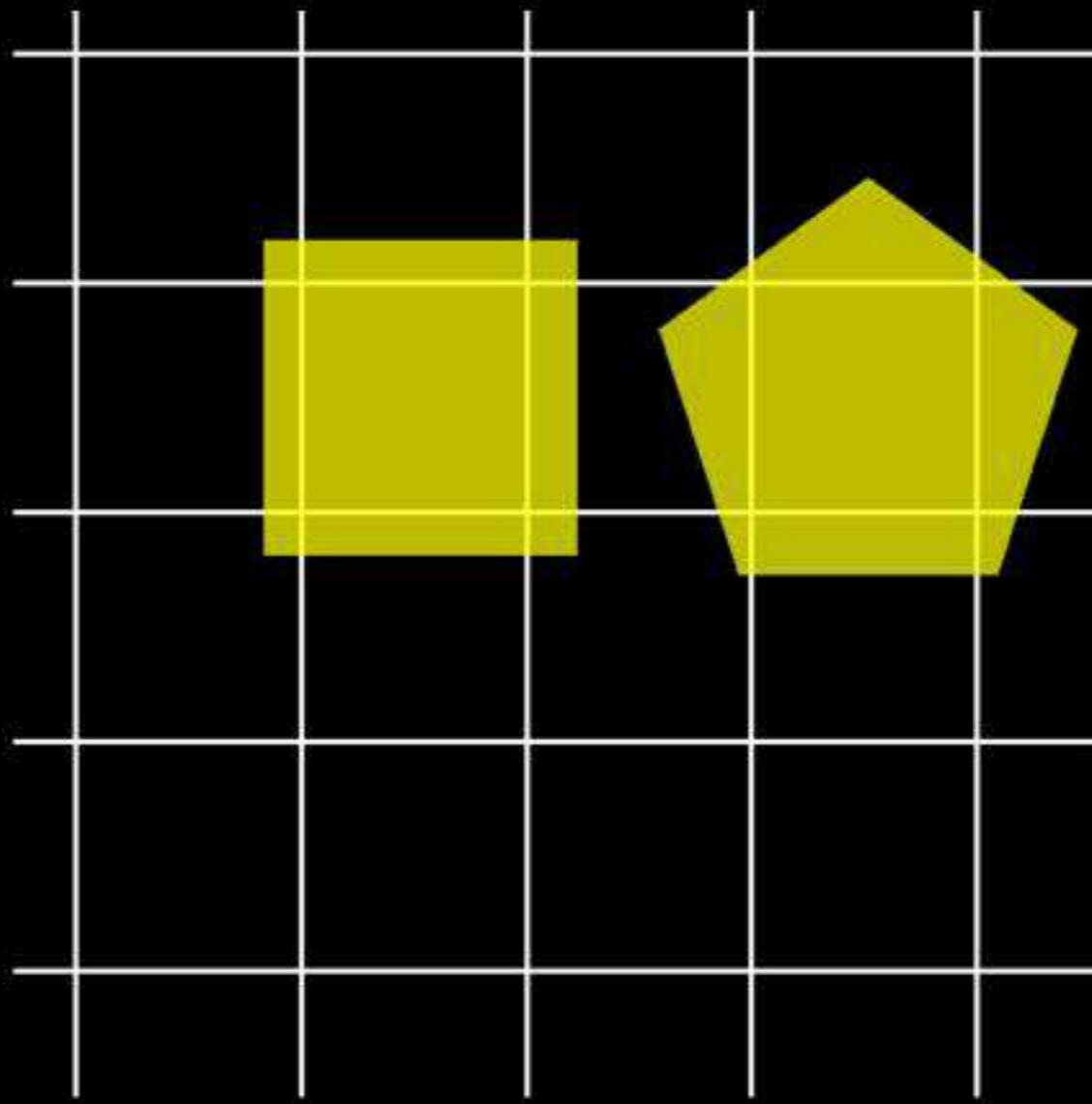
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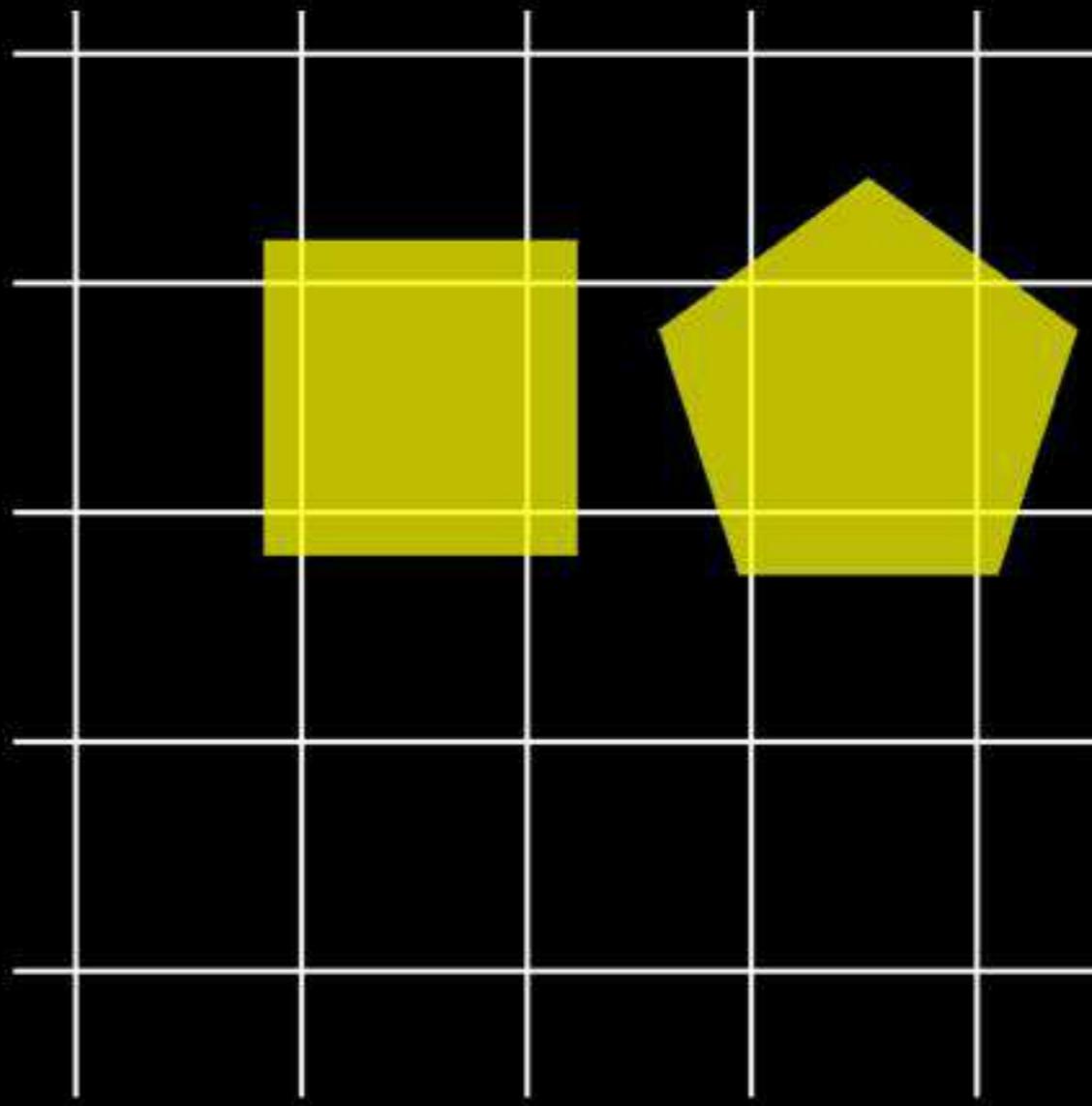
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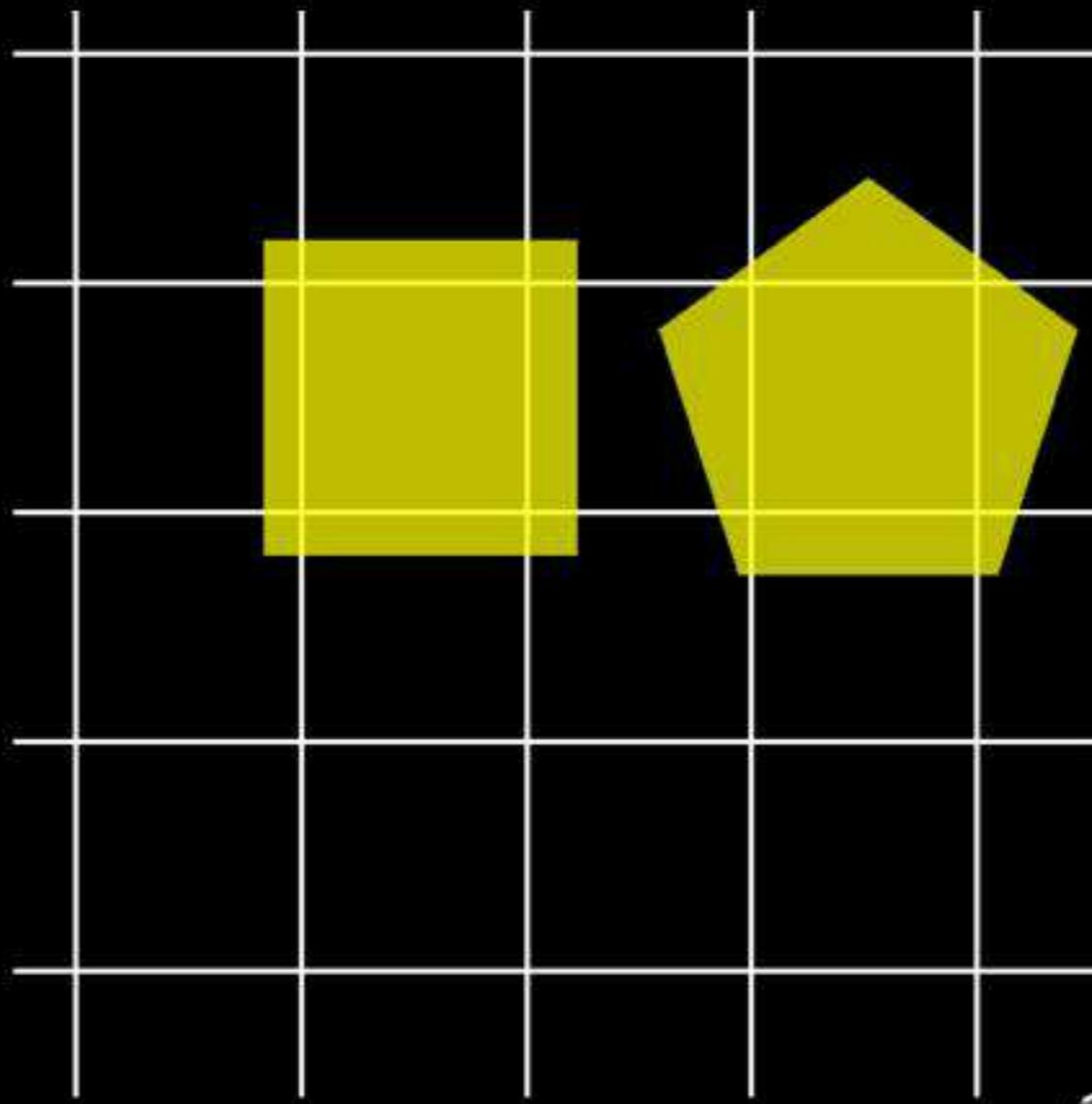
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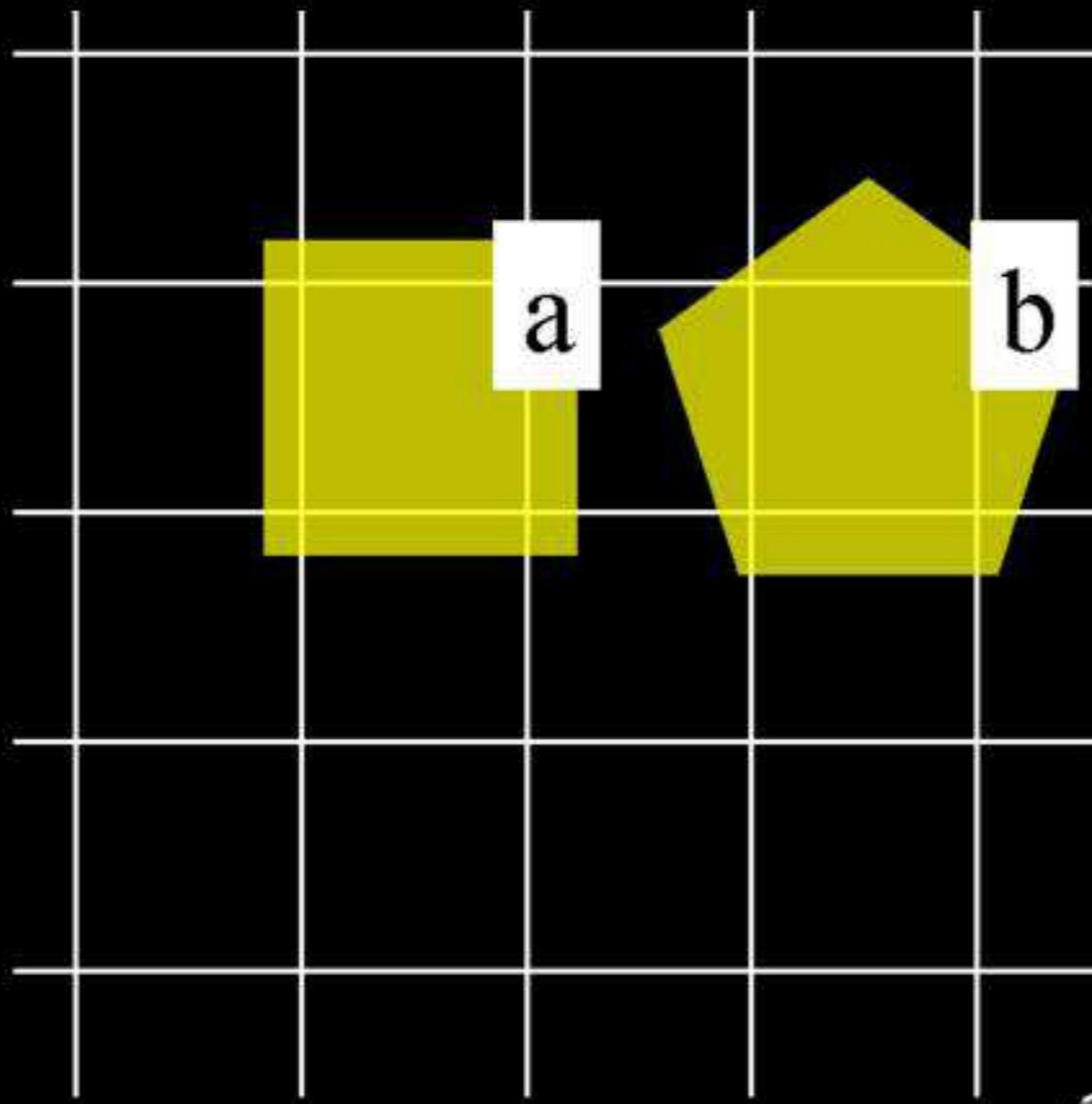
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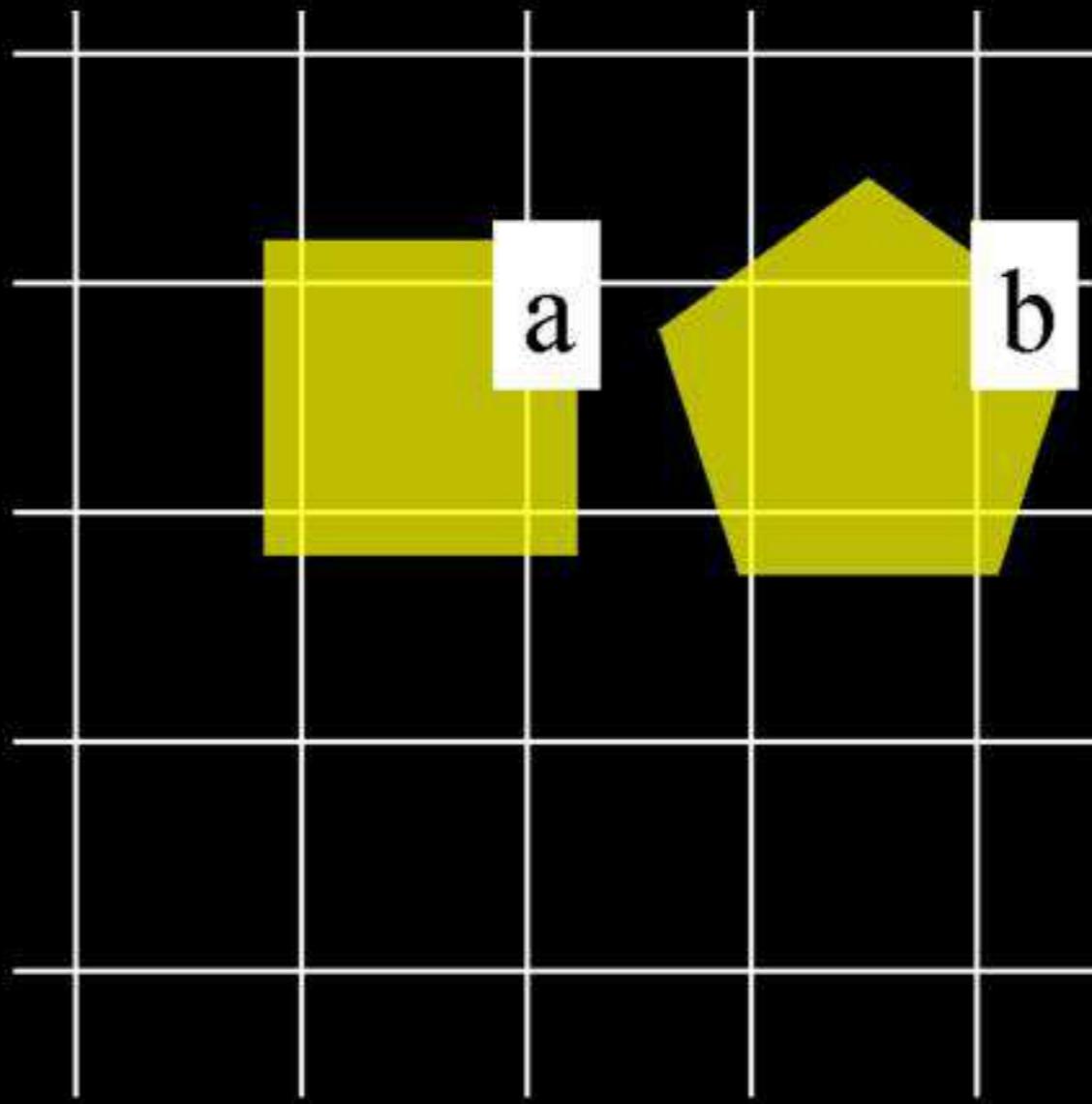
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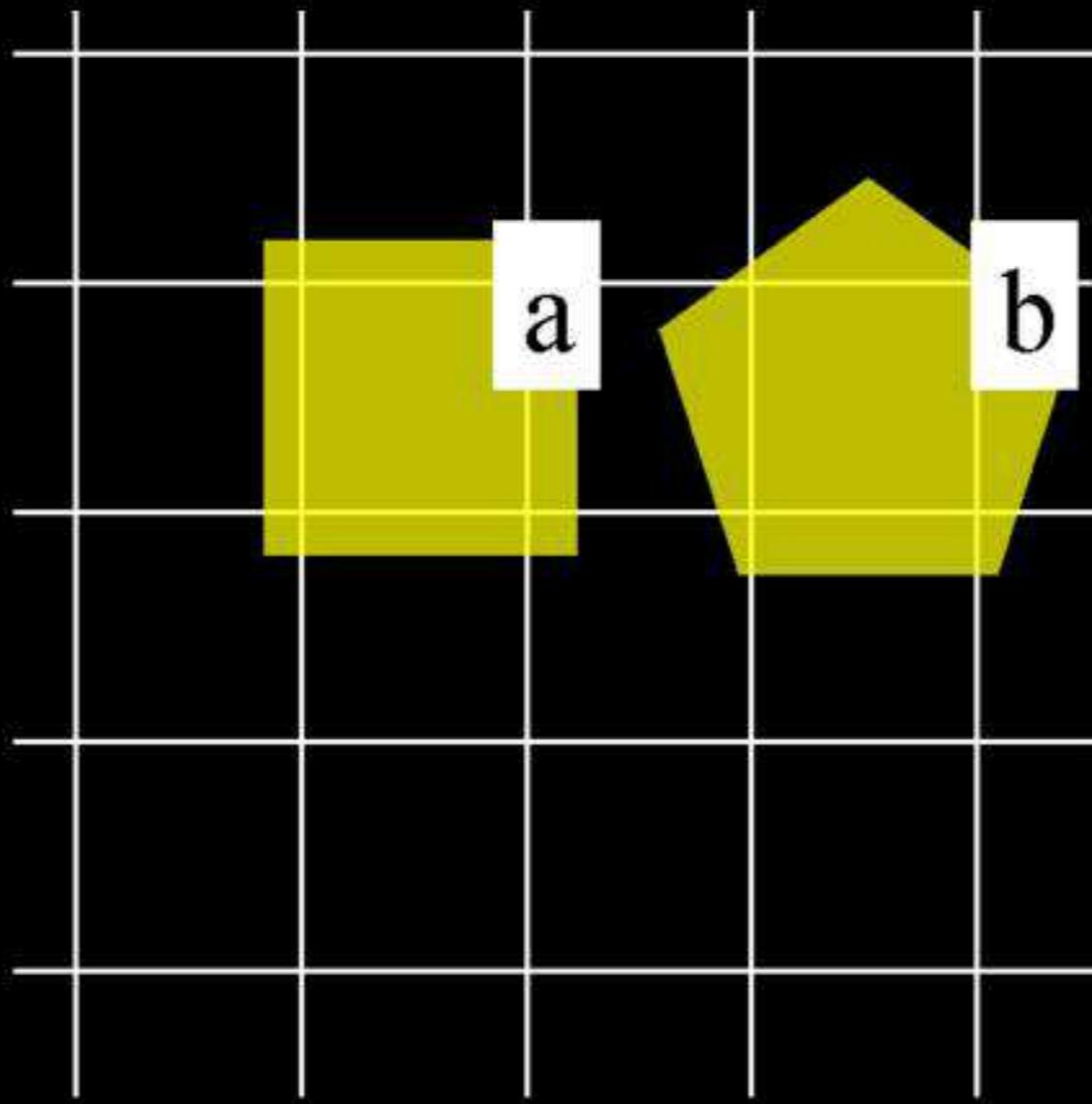
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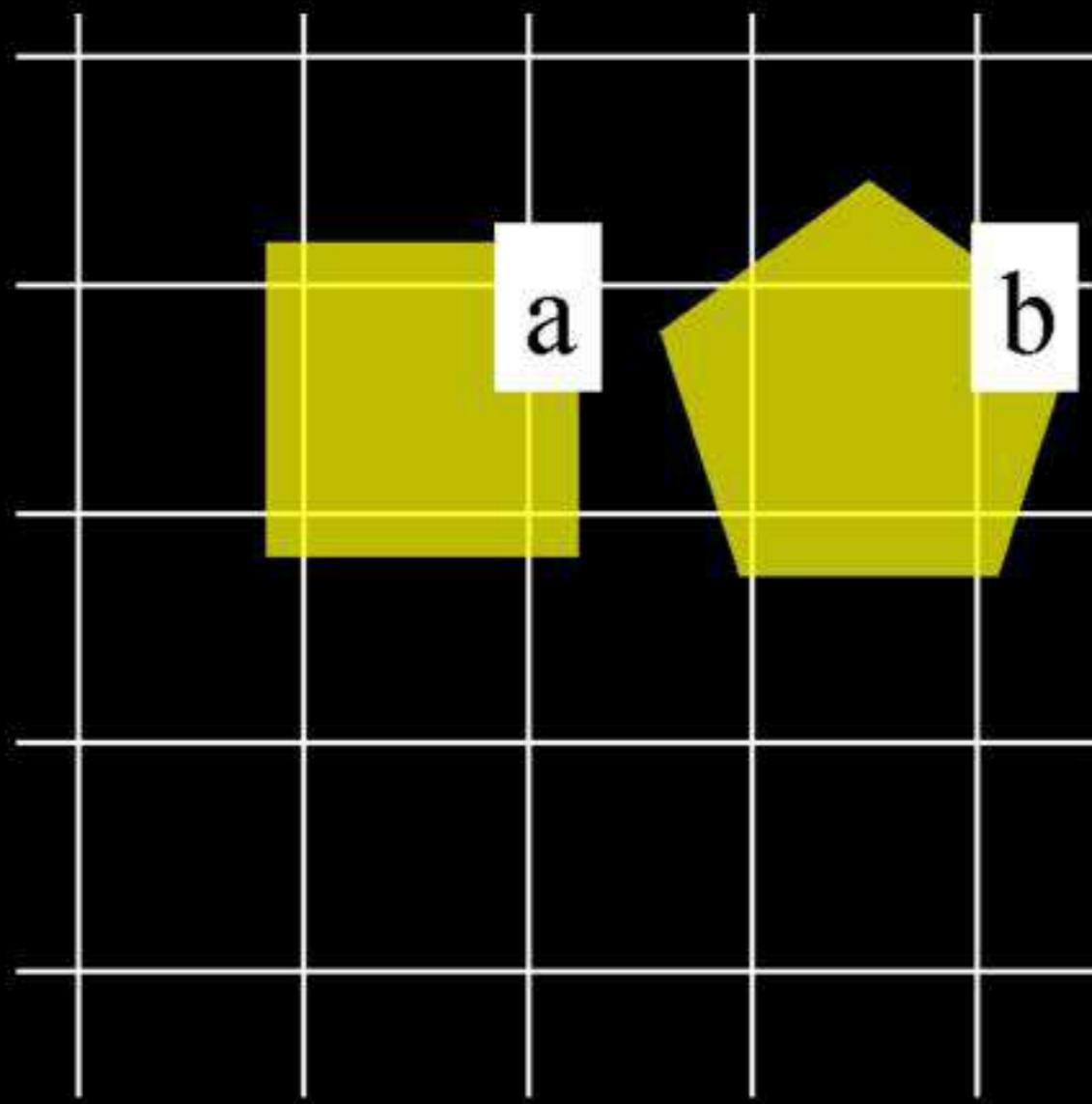
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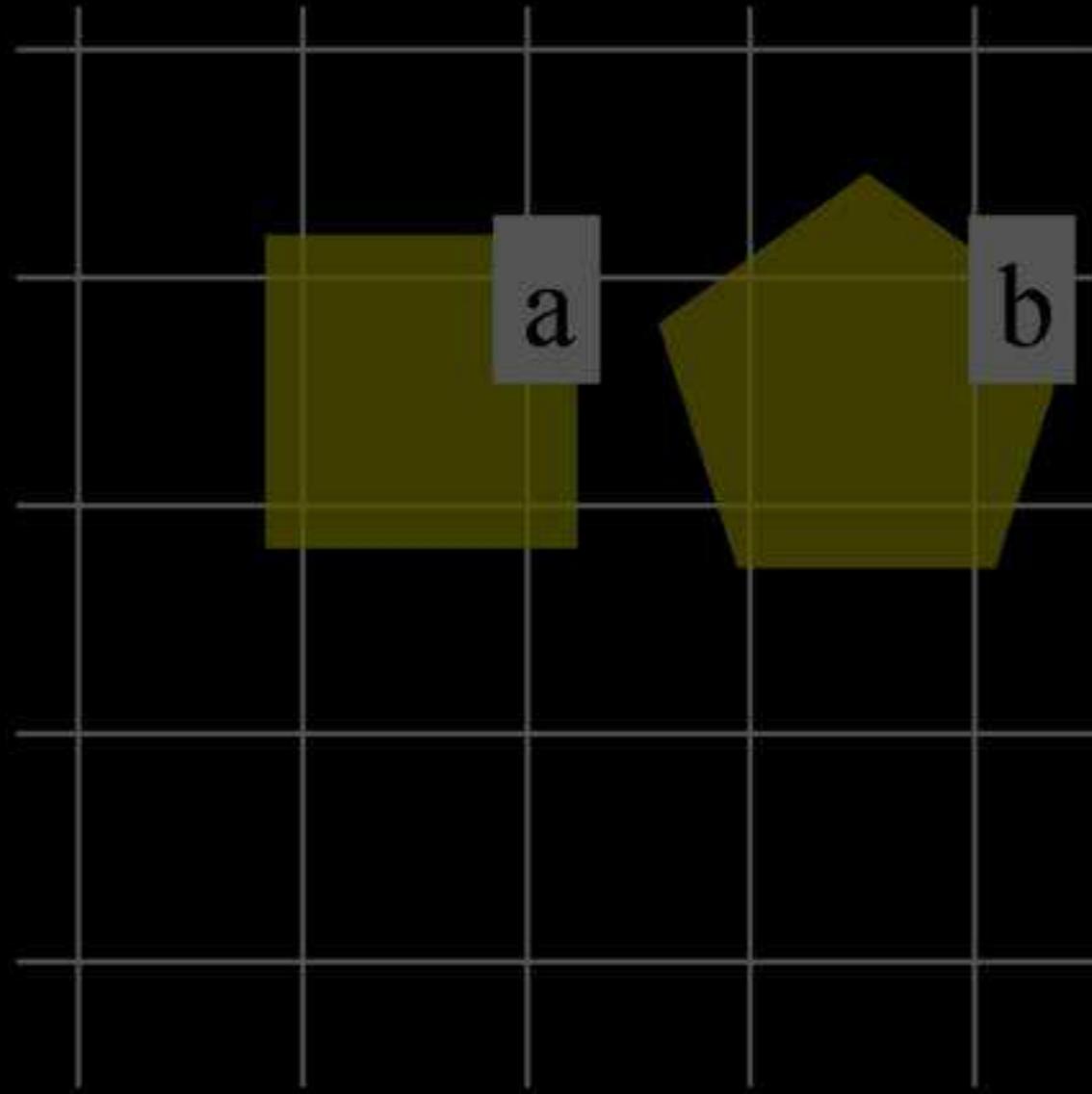
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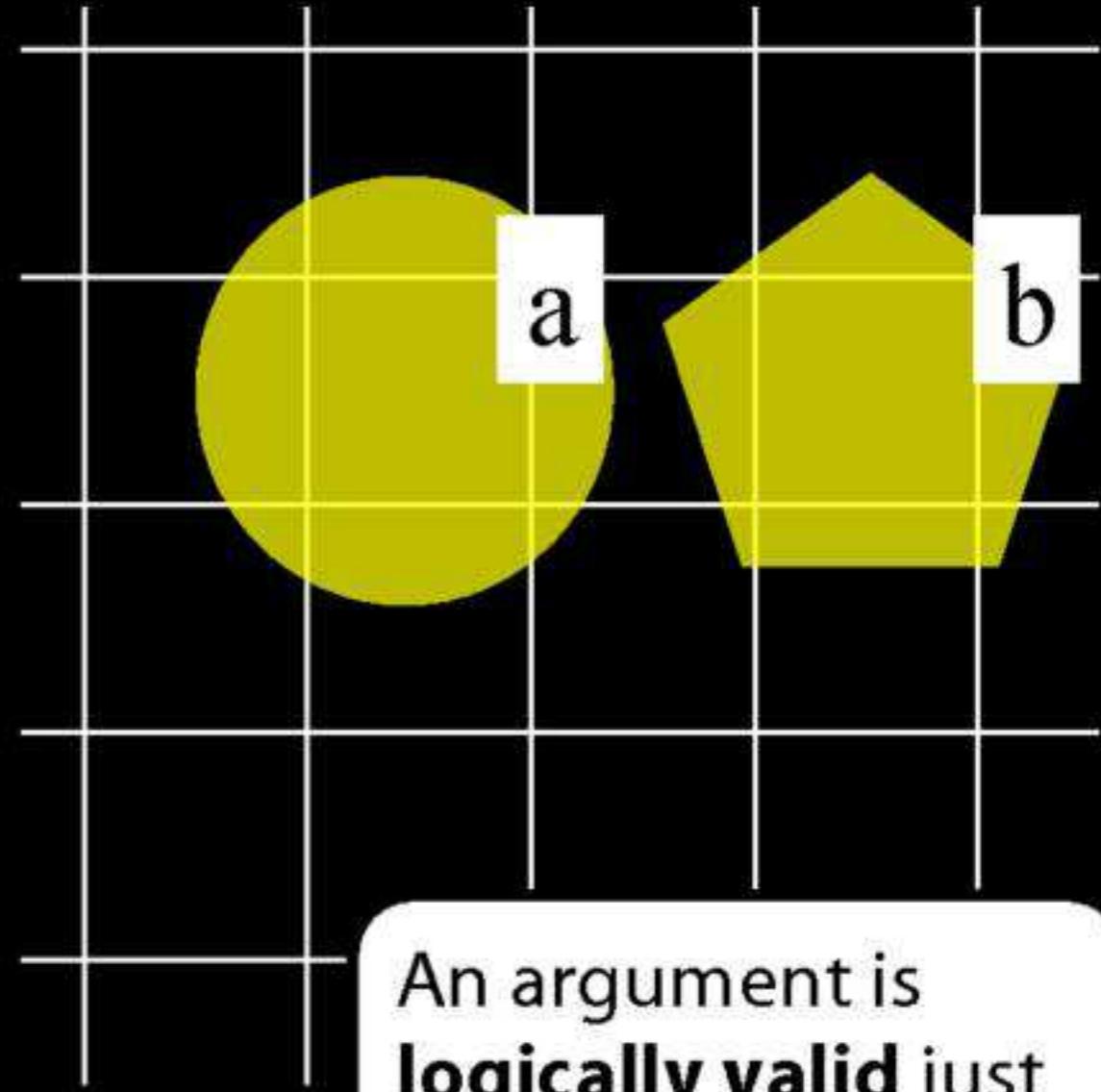


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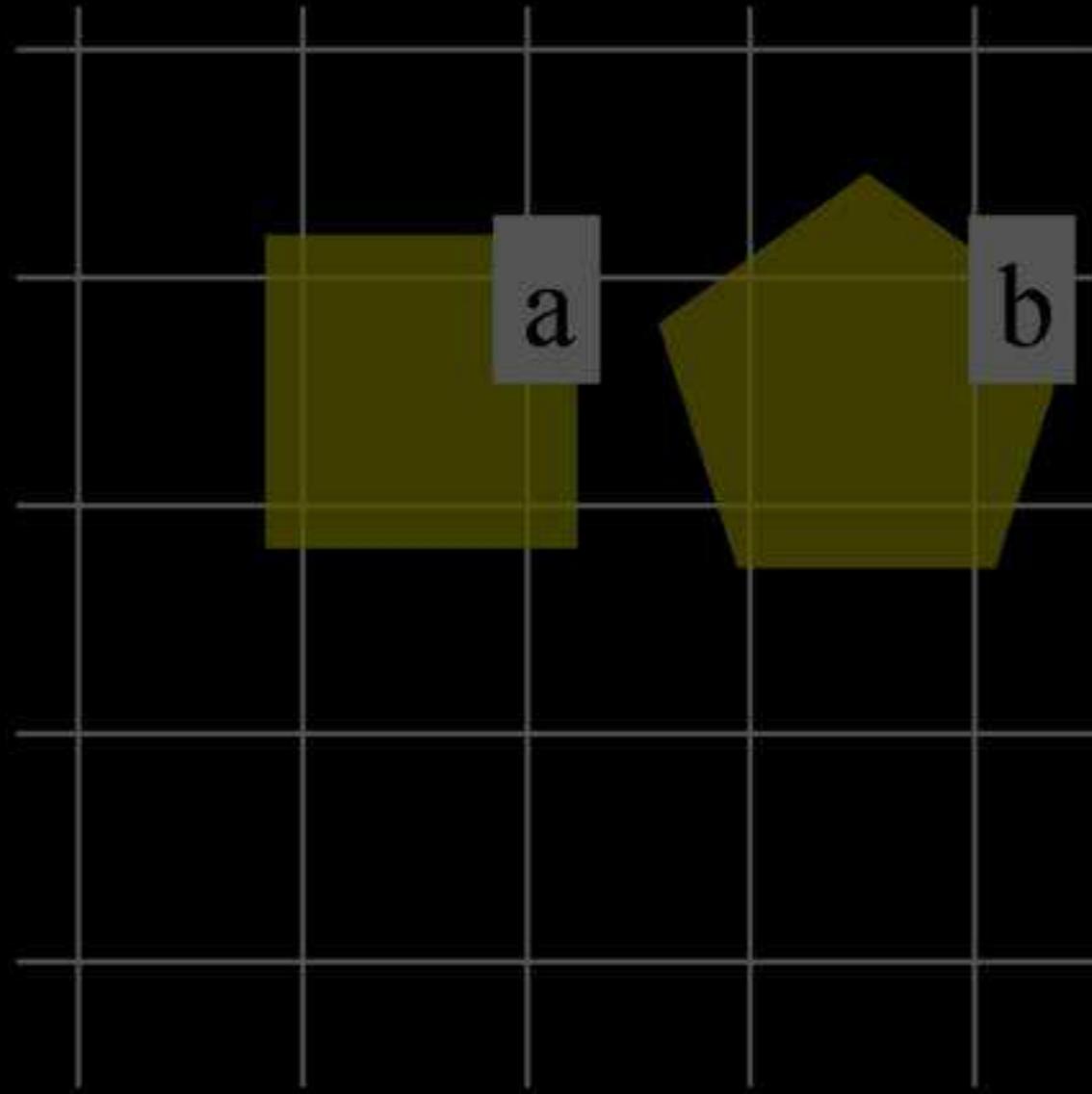
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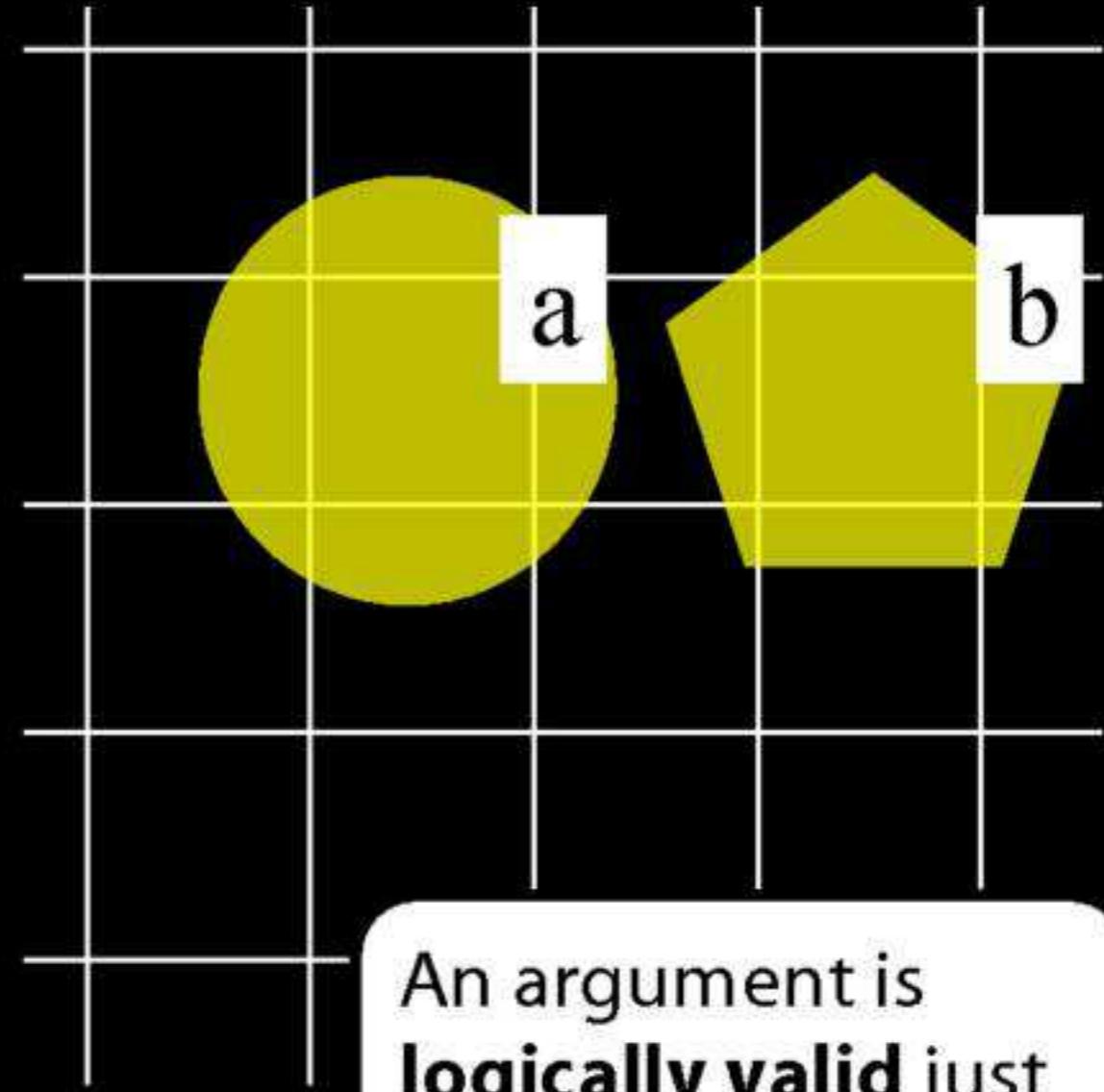
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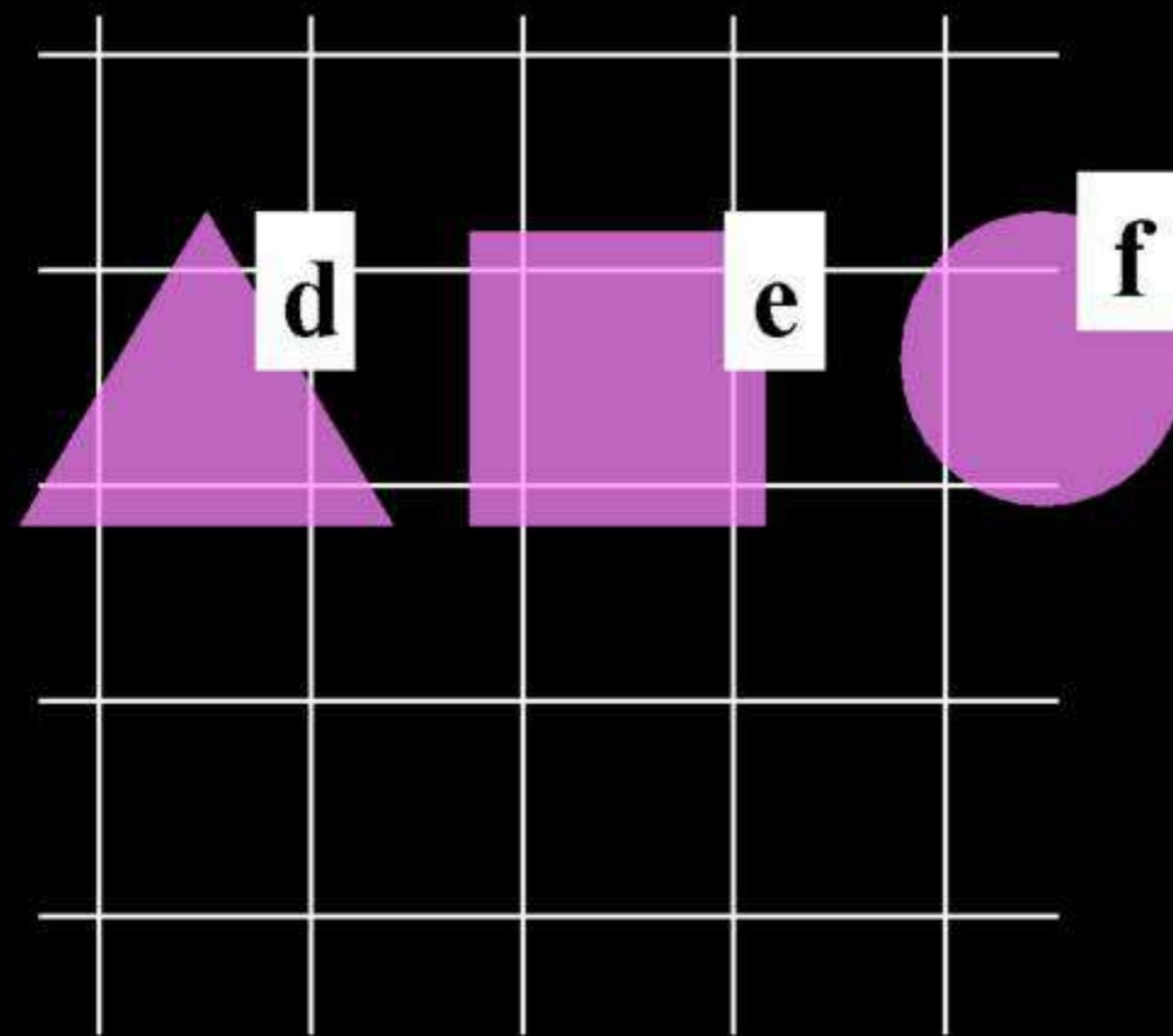
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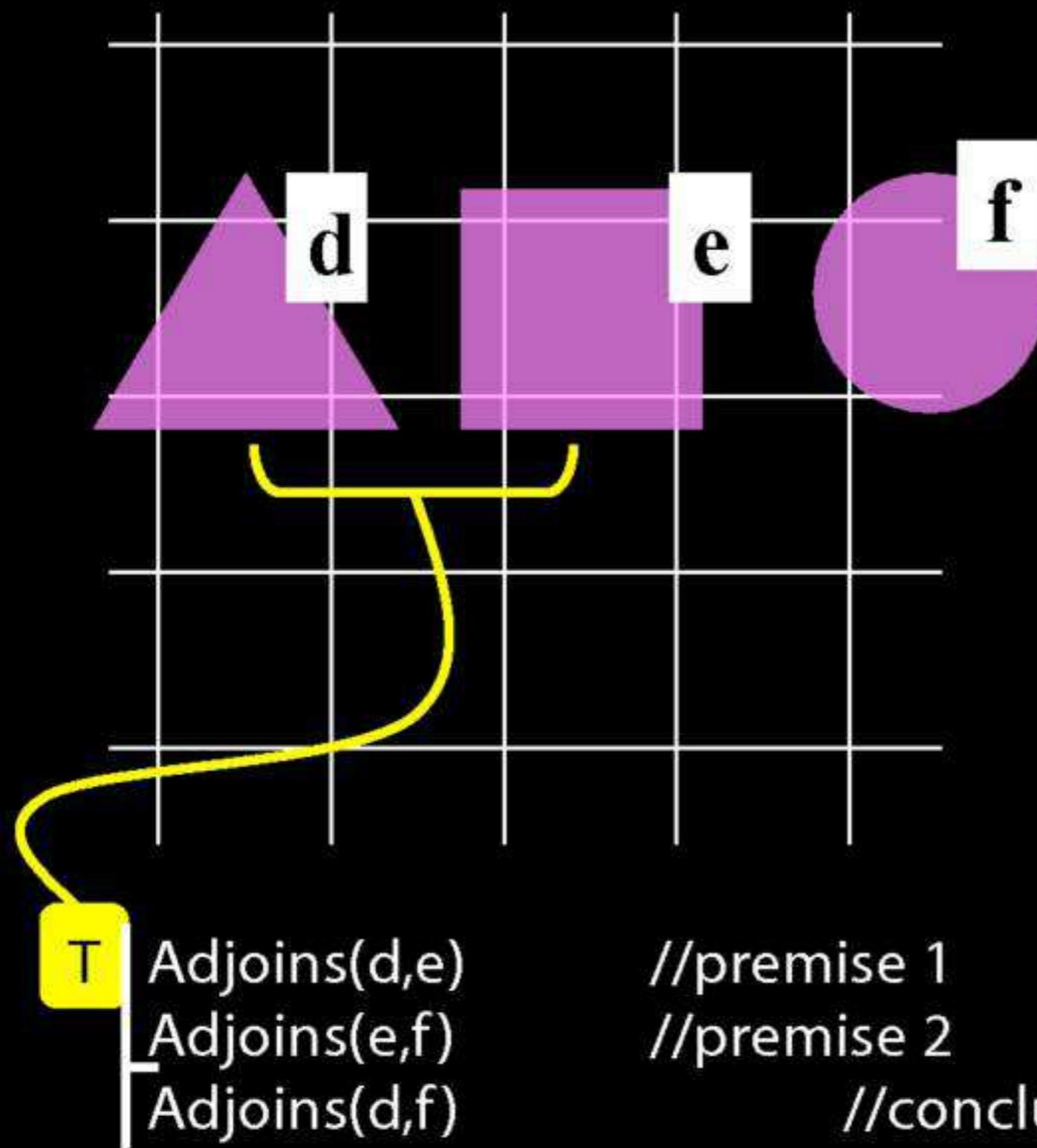
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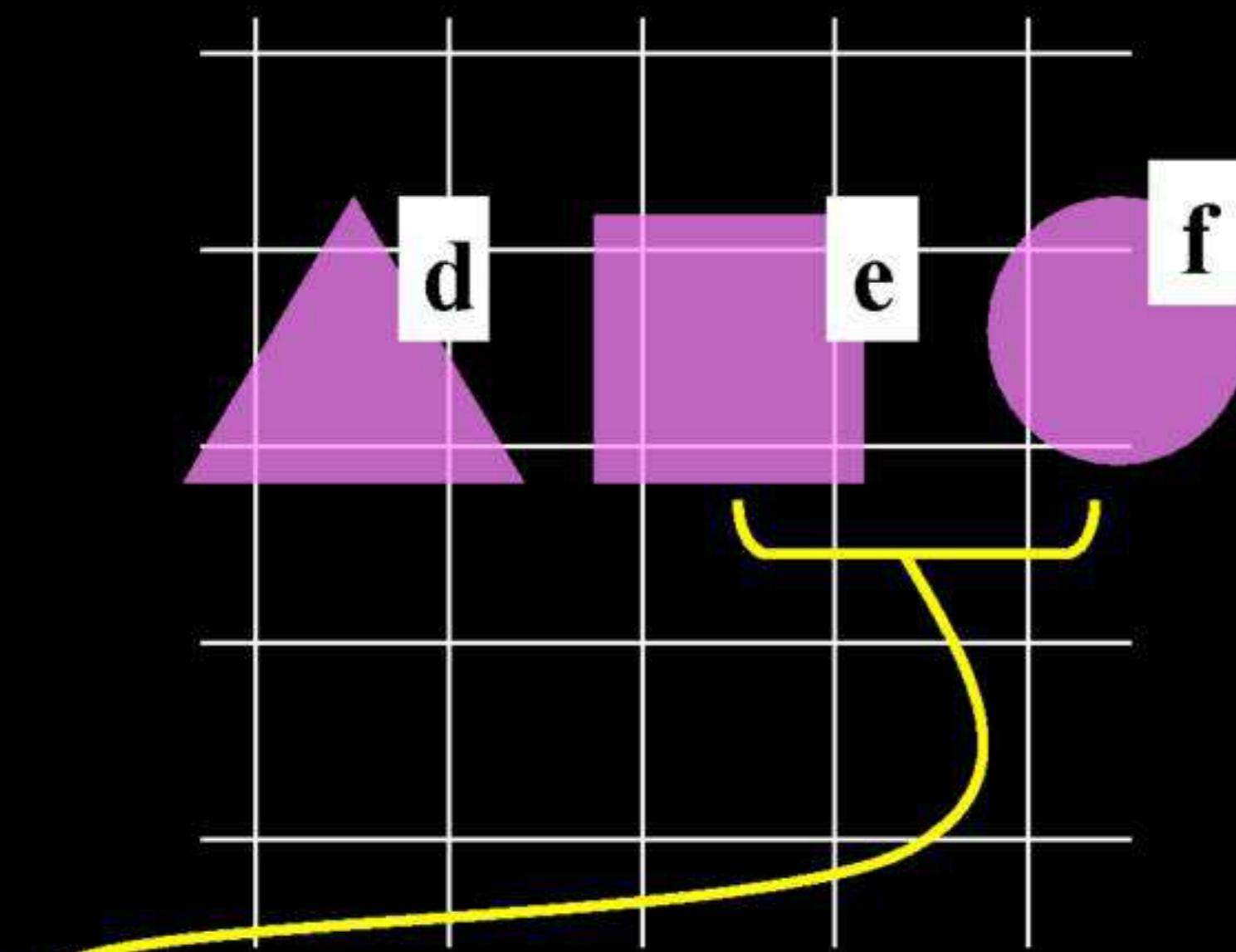
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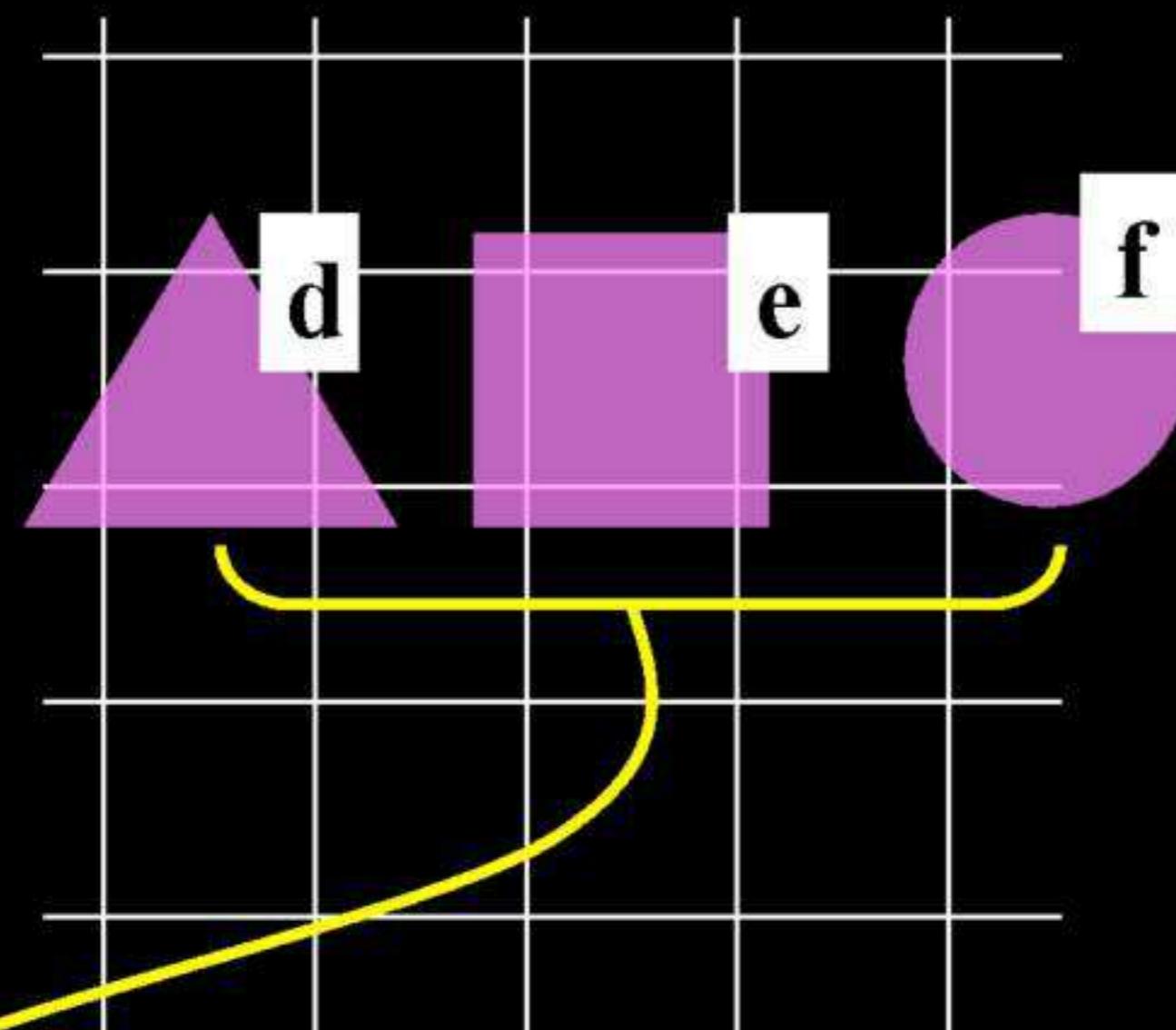
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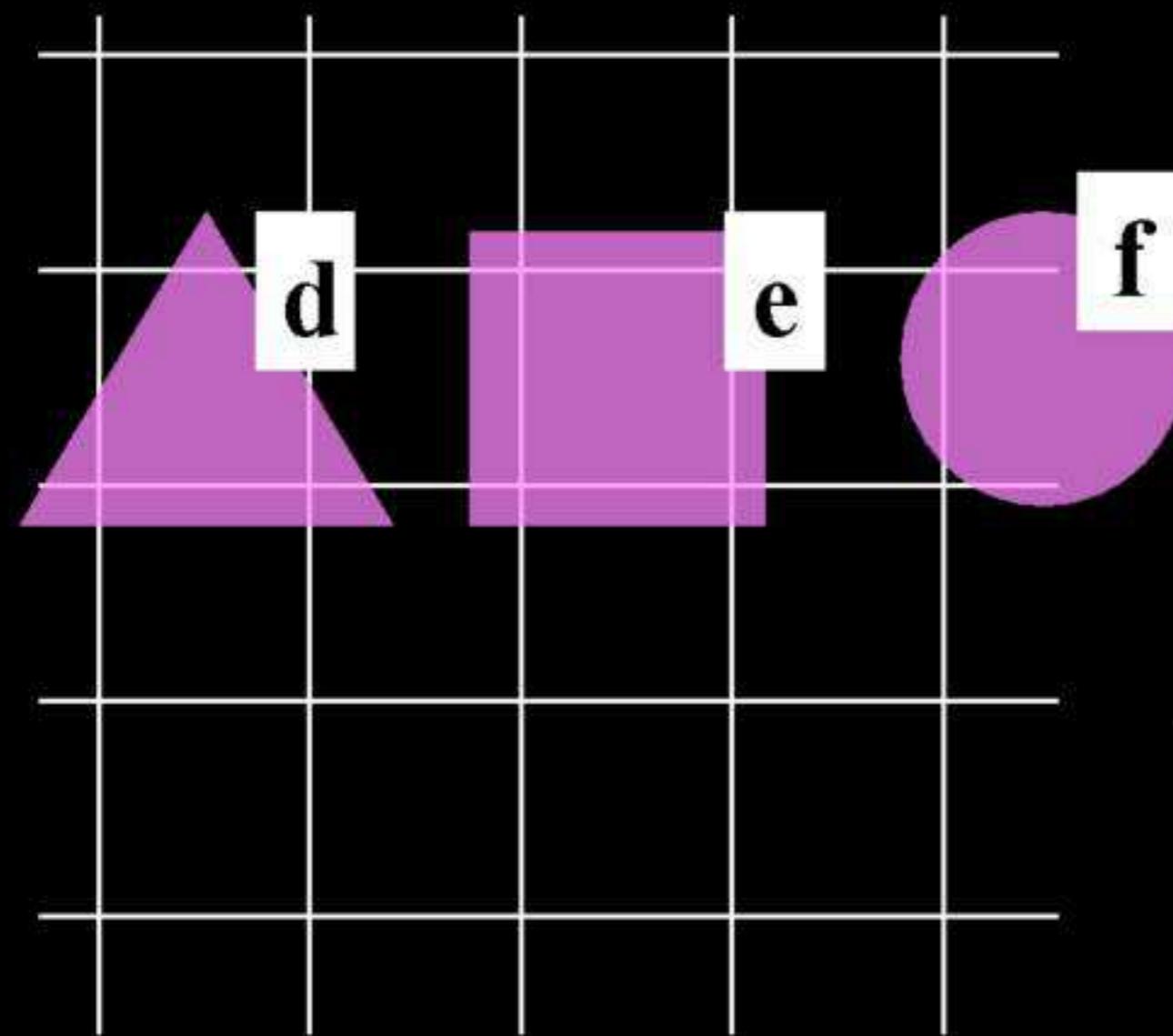
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F Adjoins(d,f)

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//premise 2
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A **counterexample** to an argument is a possible situation in which its premises are T and its conclusion F

There are no counterexamples to a logically valid argument.

If an argument is not valid, then there is at least one counterexample to it.

To show that an argument is *not* logically valid, we specify a counterexample to it.

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| LeftOf(a,c) //conclusion
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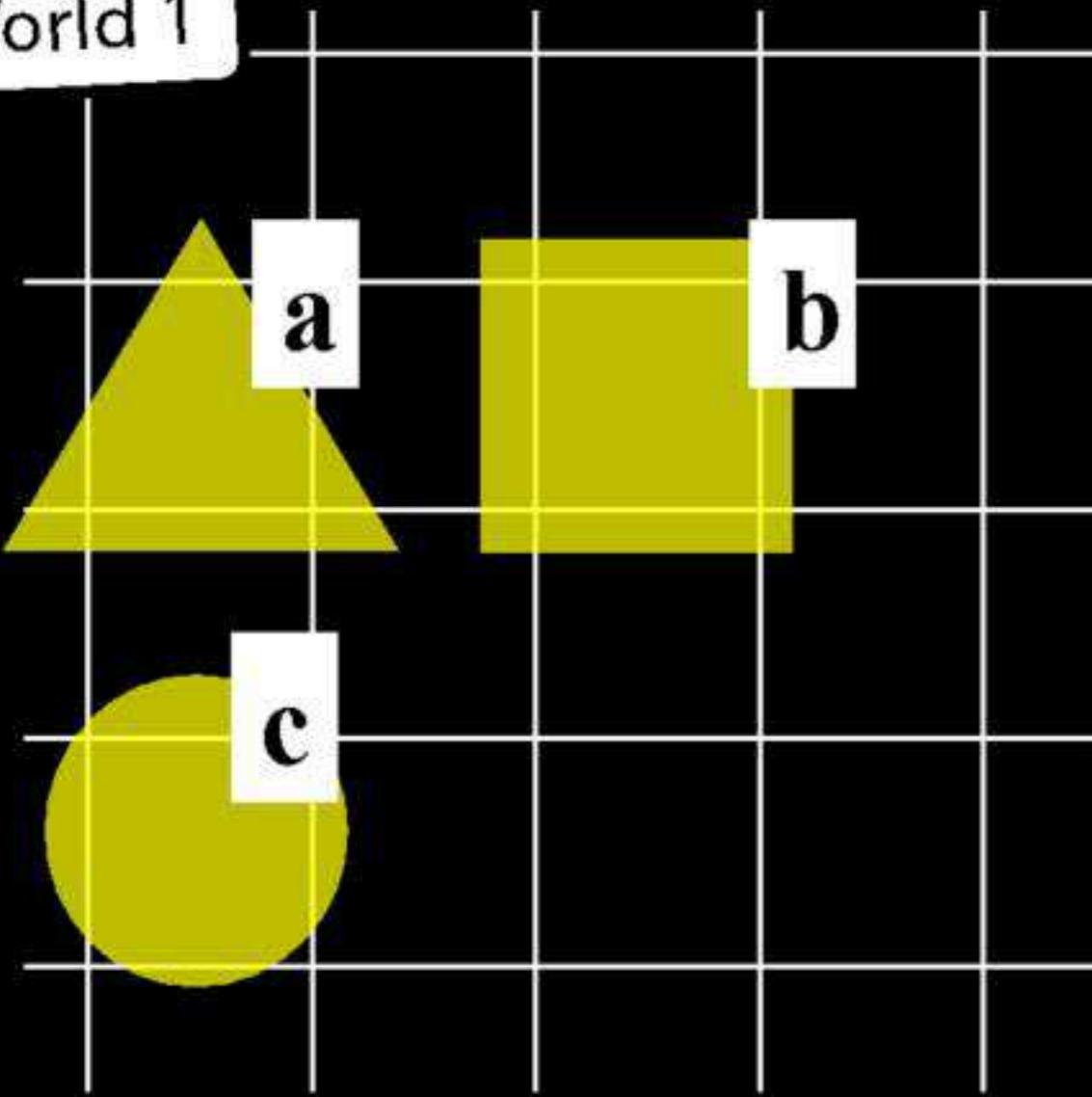
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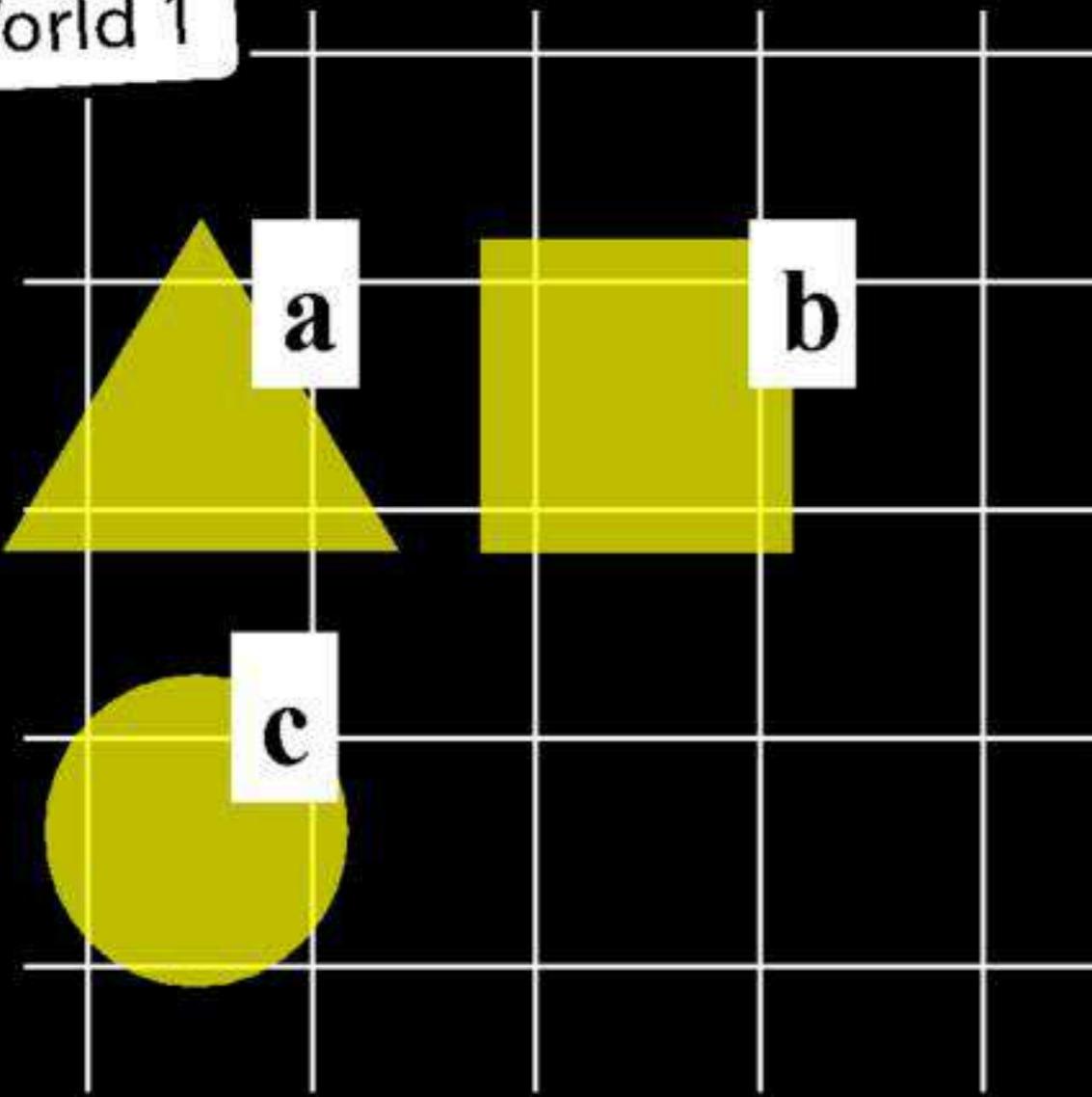


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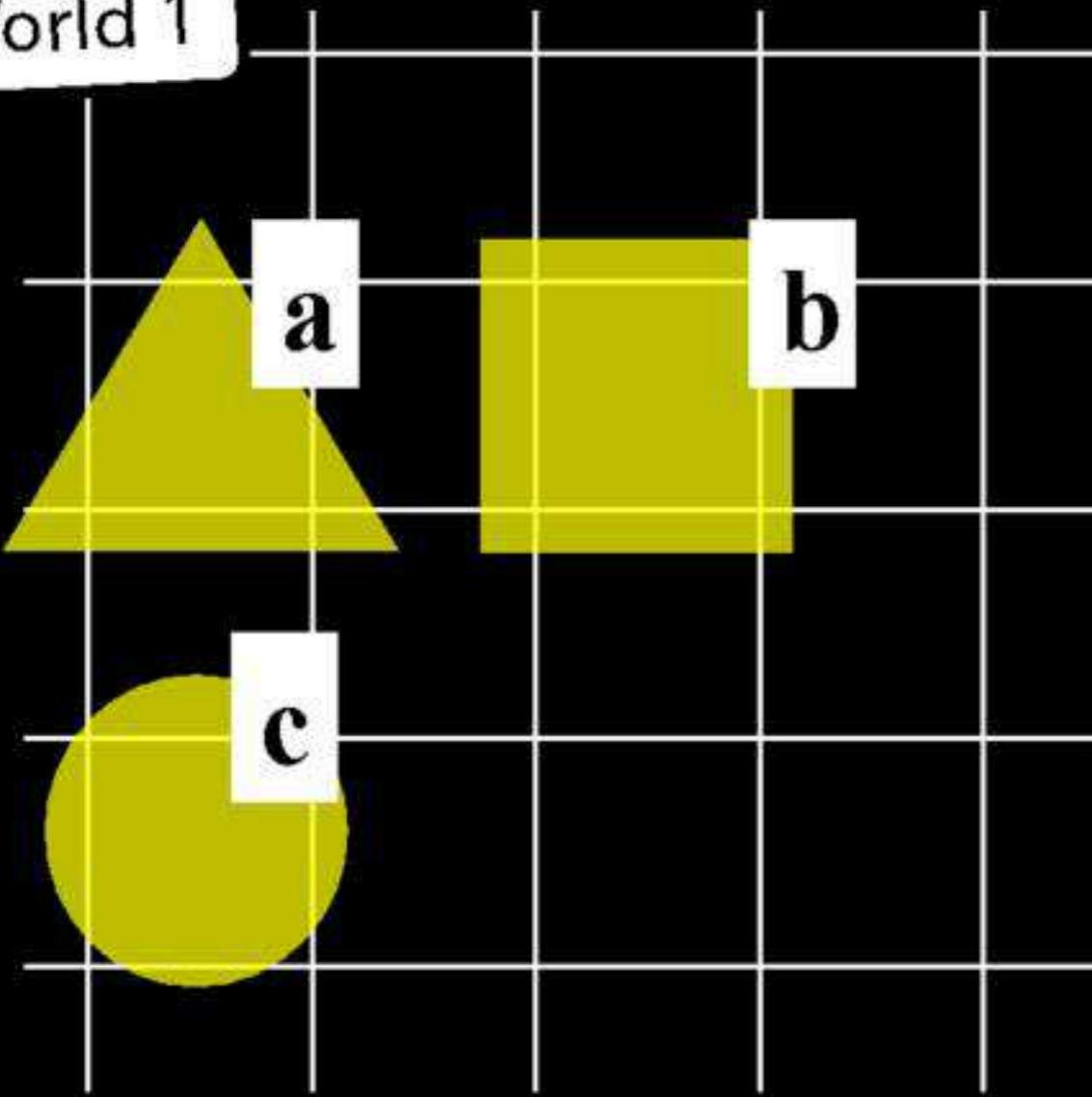


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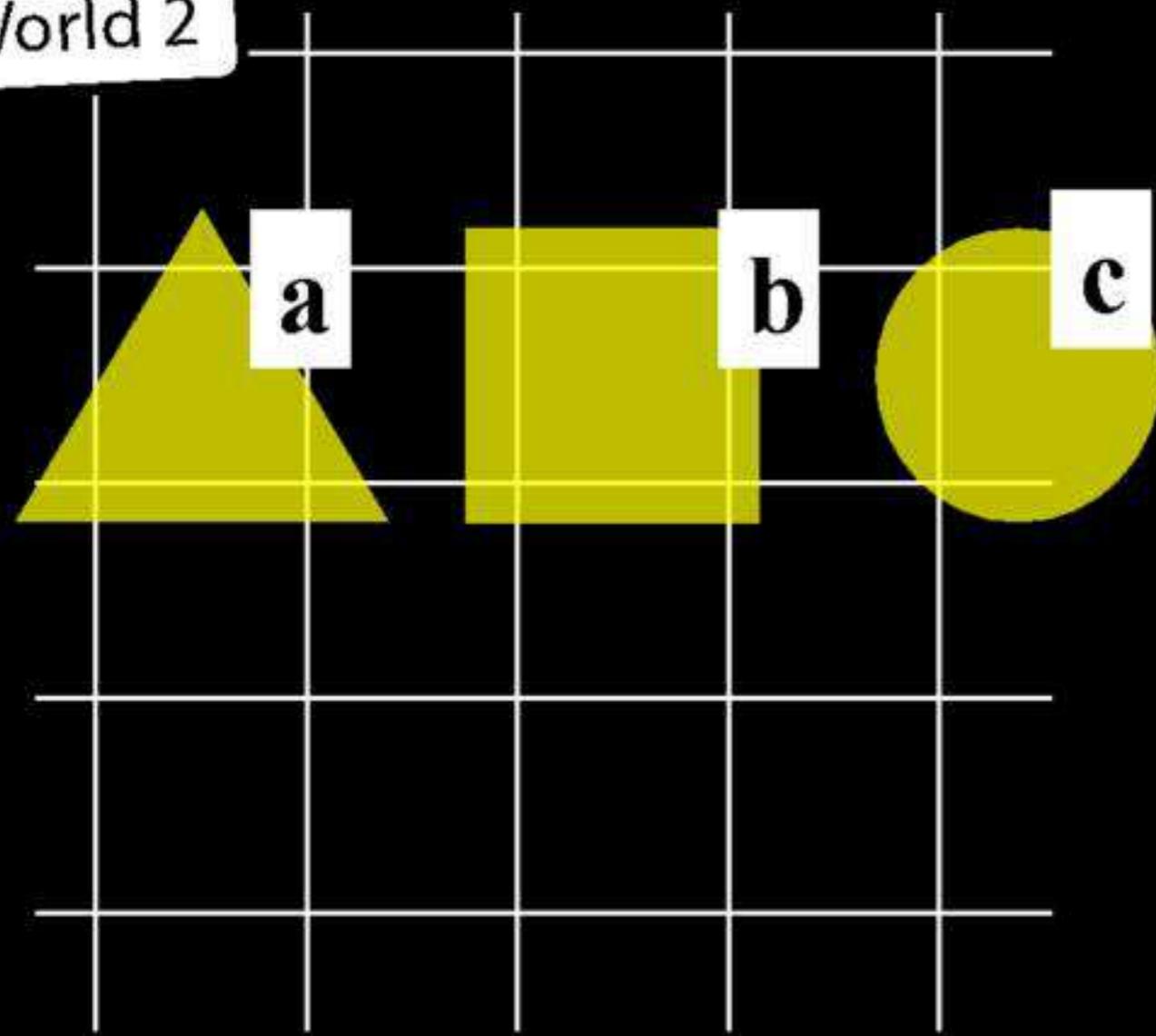


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F	LeftOf(b,c) //premise 2
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World 2



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T | LeftOf(a,c) //conclusion

An argument is **in a possible situation sound** just if it is logically valid and its premises are all true **in the situation**

Whether a sentence is **true** may depend on which possible situation is actual.

The same applies to whether an argument is **sound**.

But whether an argument is **logically valid** does not depend on which possible situation is actual.*

(*There may be exceptions but we can ignore these.)

An argument is **logically valid** just if there's no possible situation in which the premises are true and the conclusion false

An argument is **sound** just if it is logically valid and its premises are all true