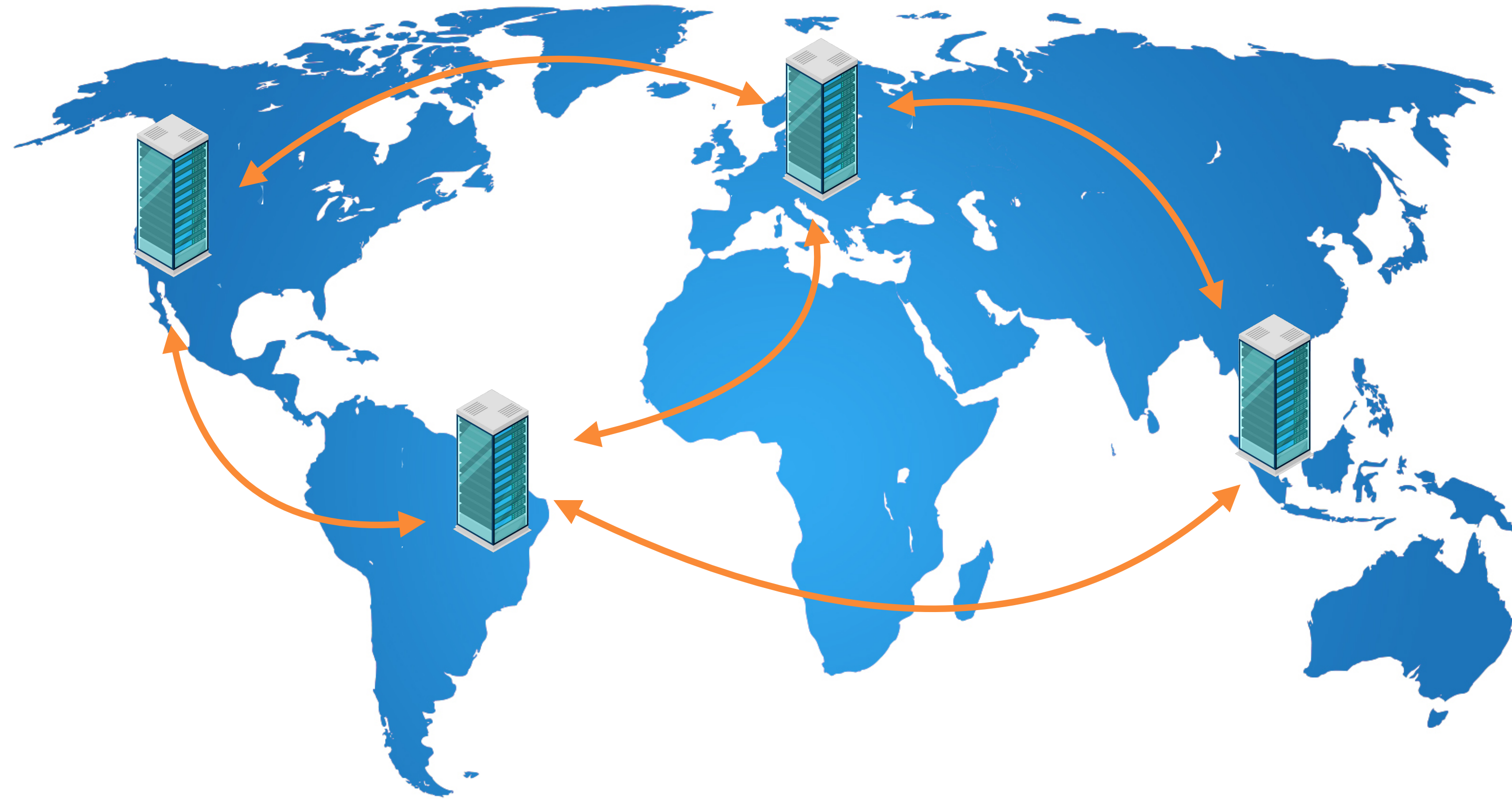


# CRDTs in Production

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# Geo-Distributed Datastore



# Context

- More than 200 countries
- Regulatory requirements
- State Machine of Compliance Status
- Modified by multiple Actors

# Shared Mutable State

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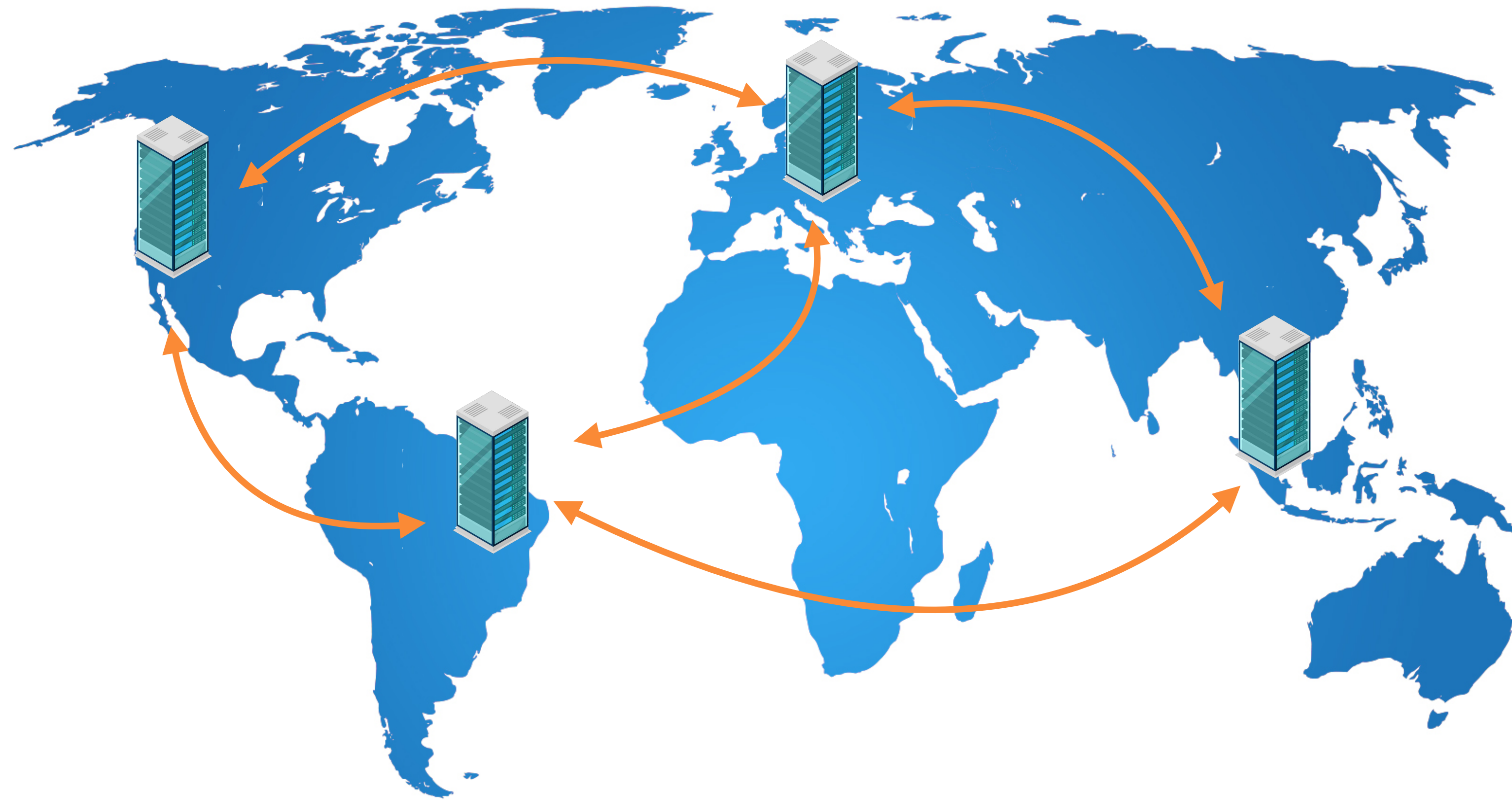
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Transactions

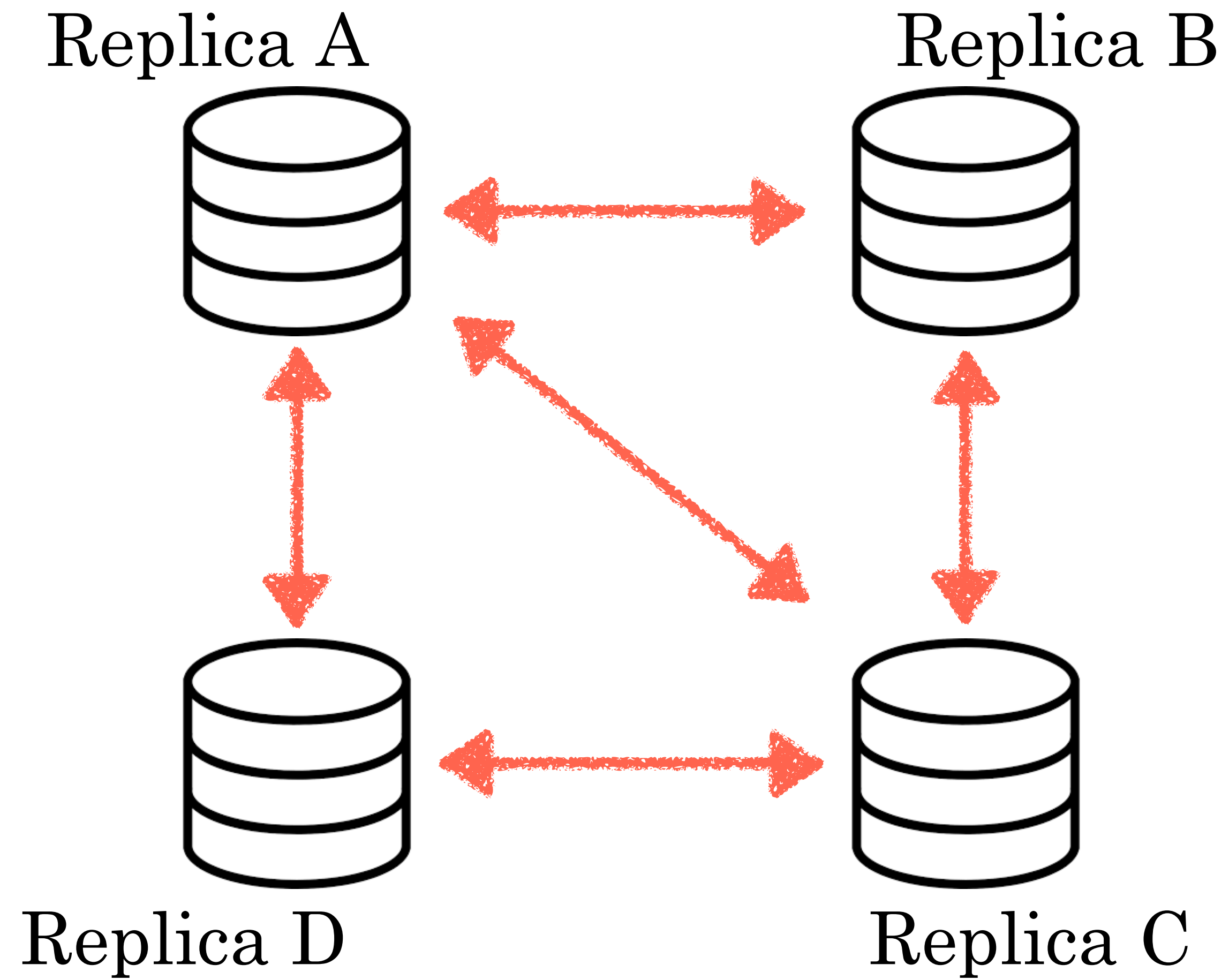
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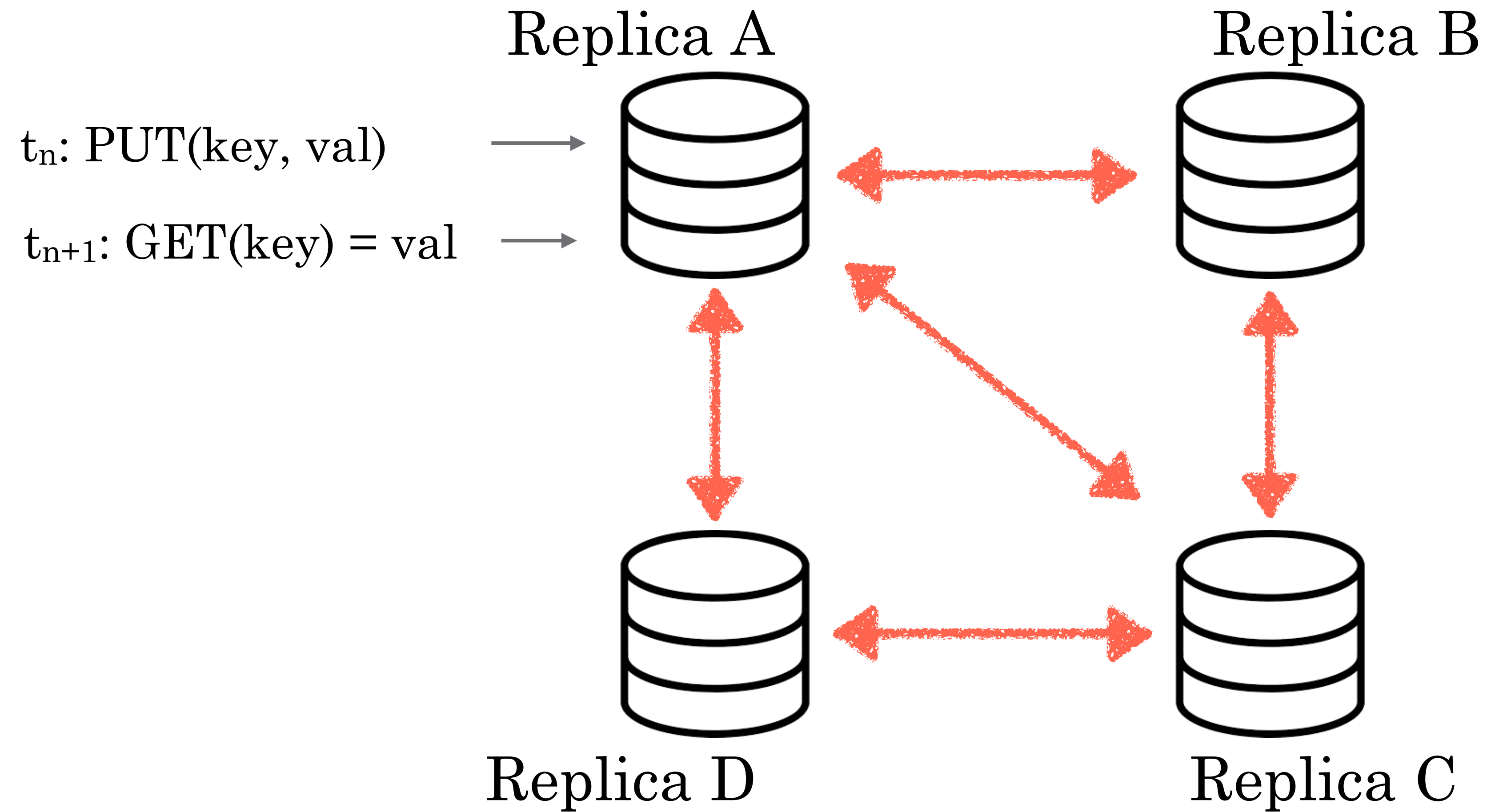
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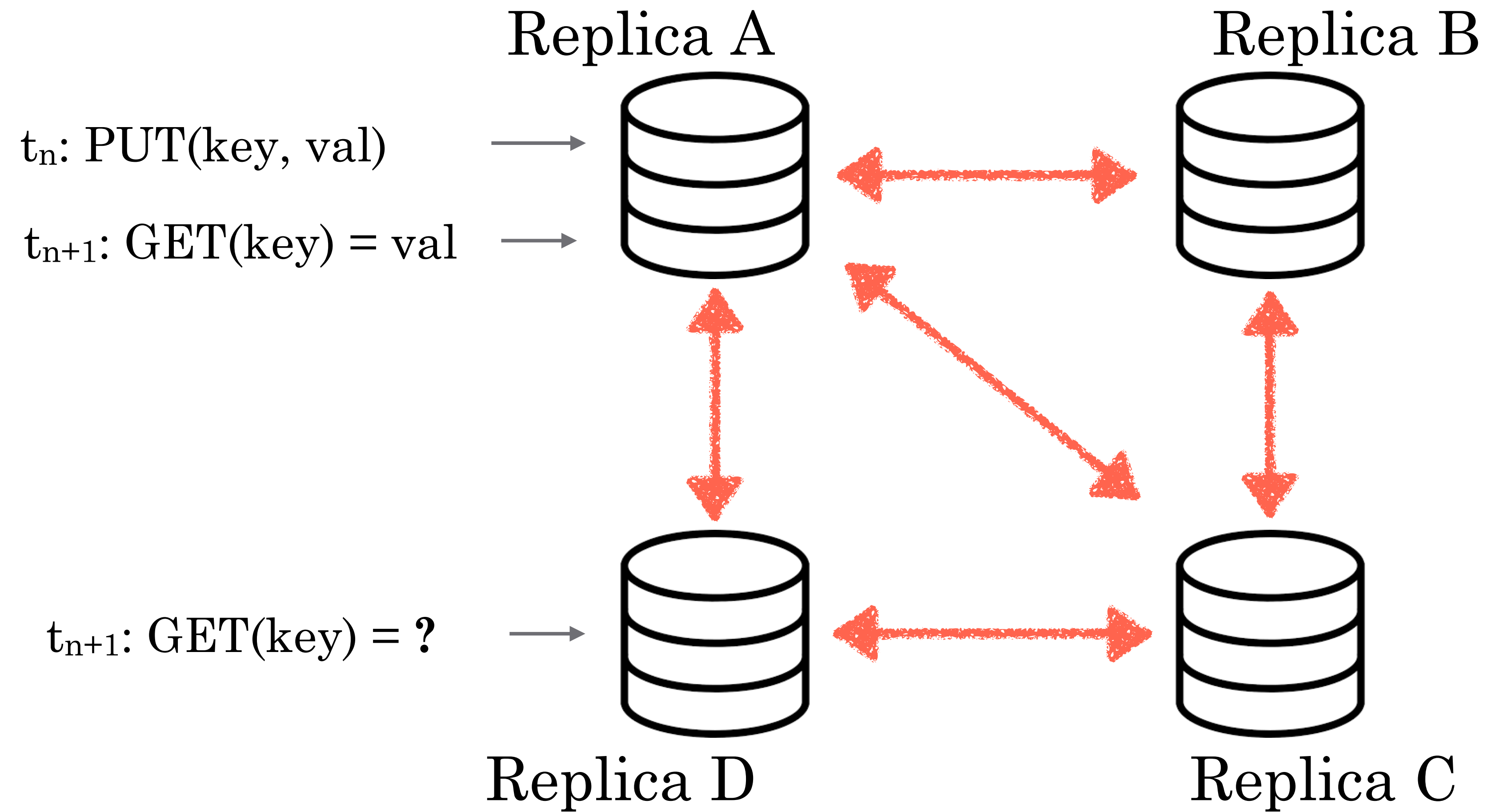
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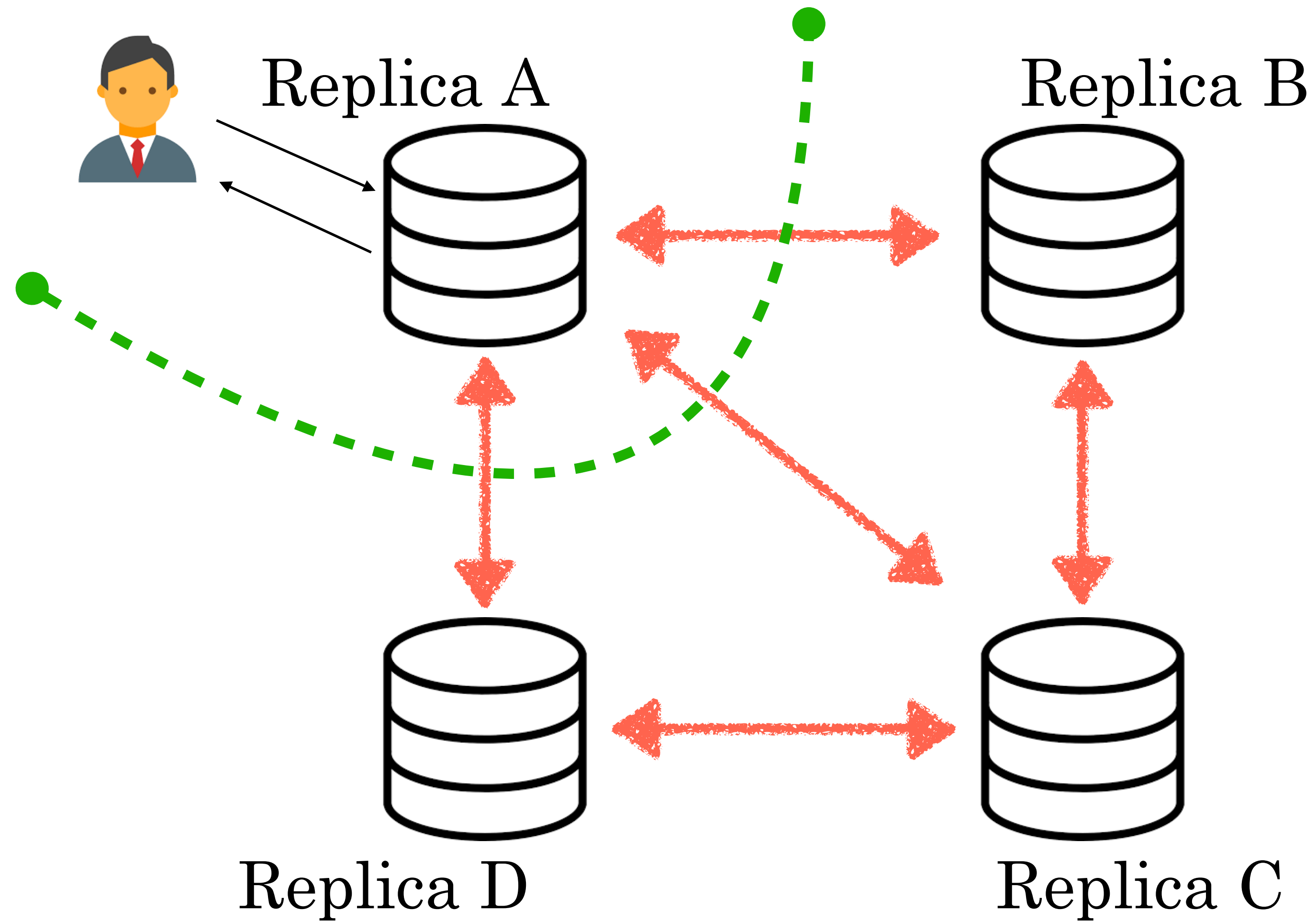
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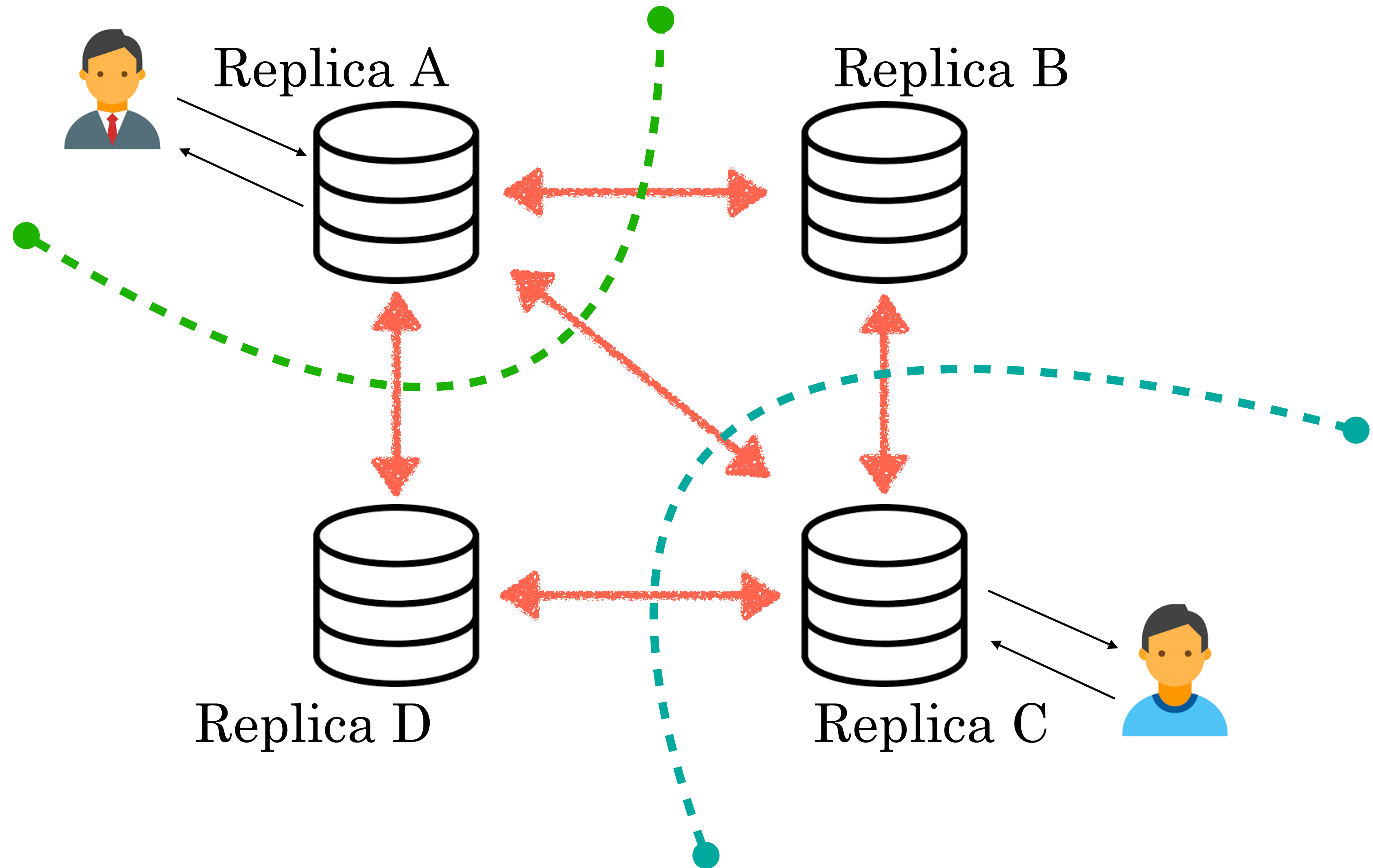
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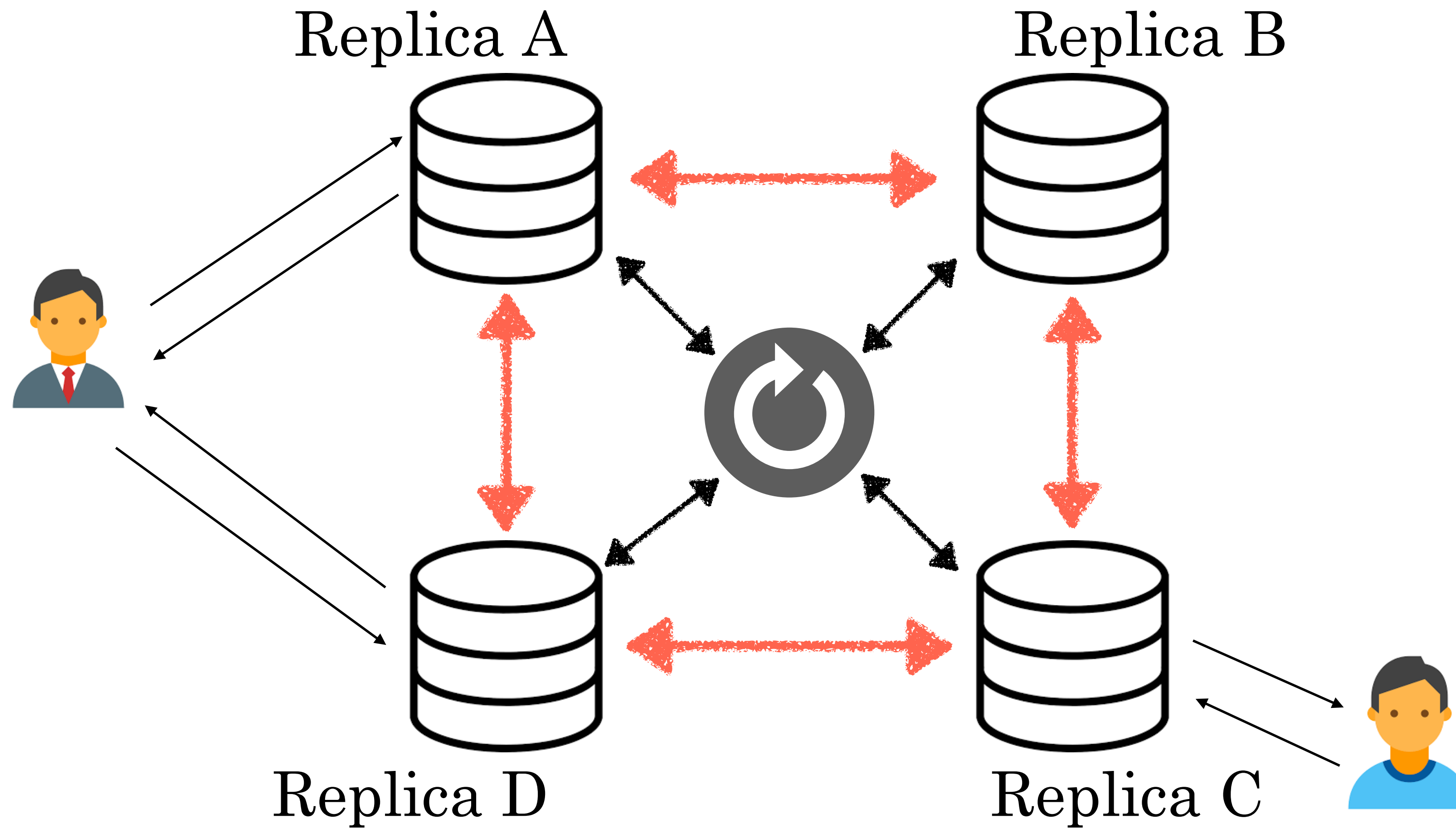
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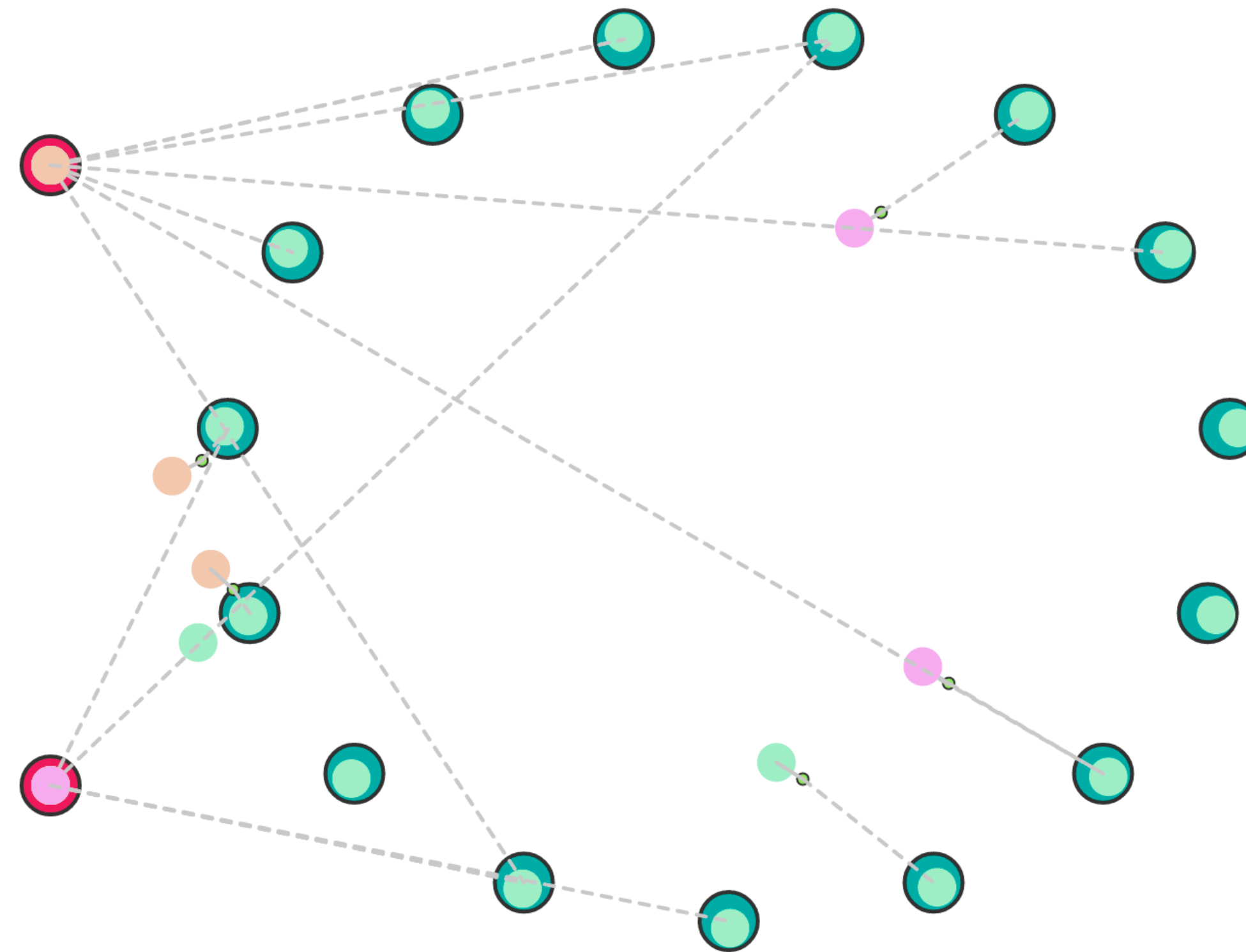


# Coordinator Based Approaches

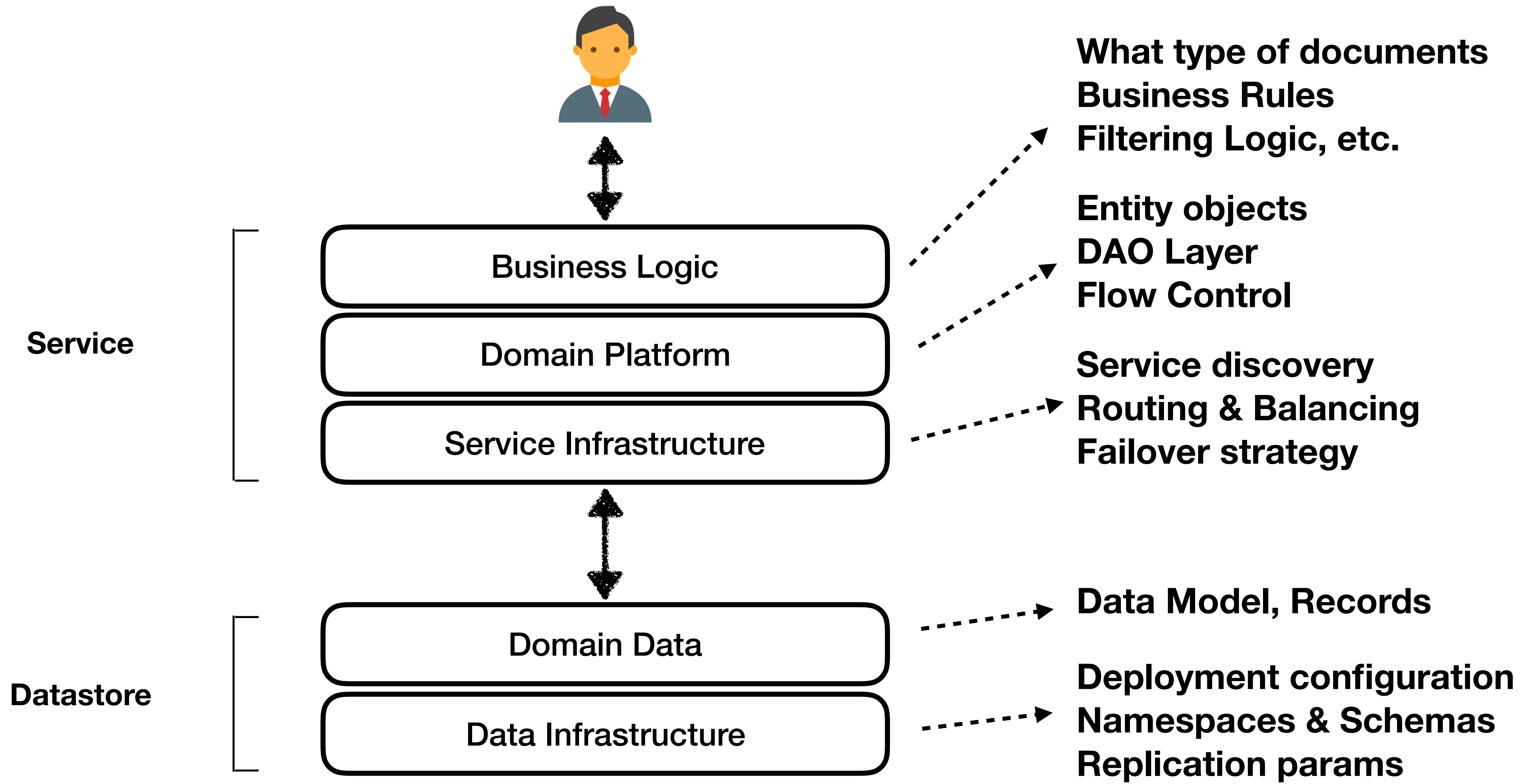


# Consensus Based Approaches

**Paxos, Raft, etc.**

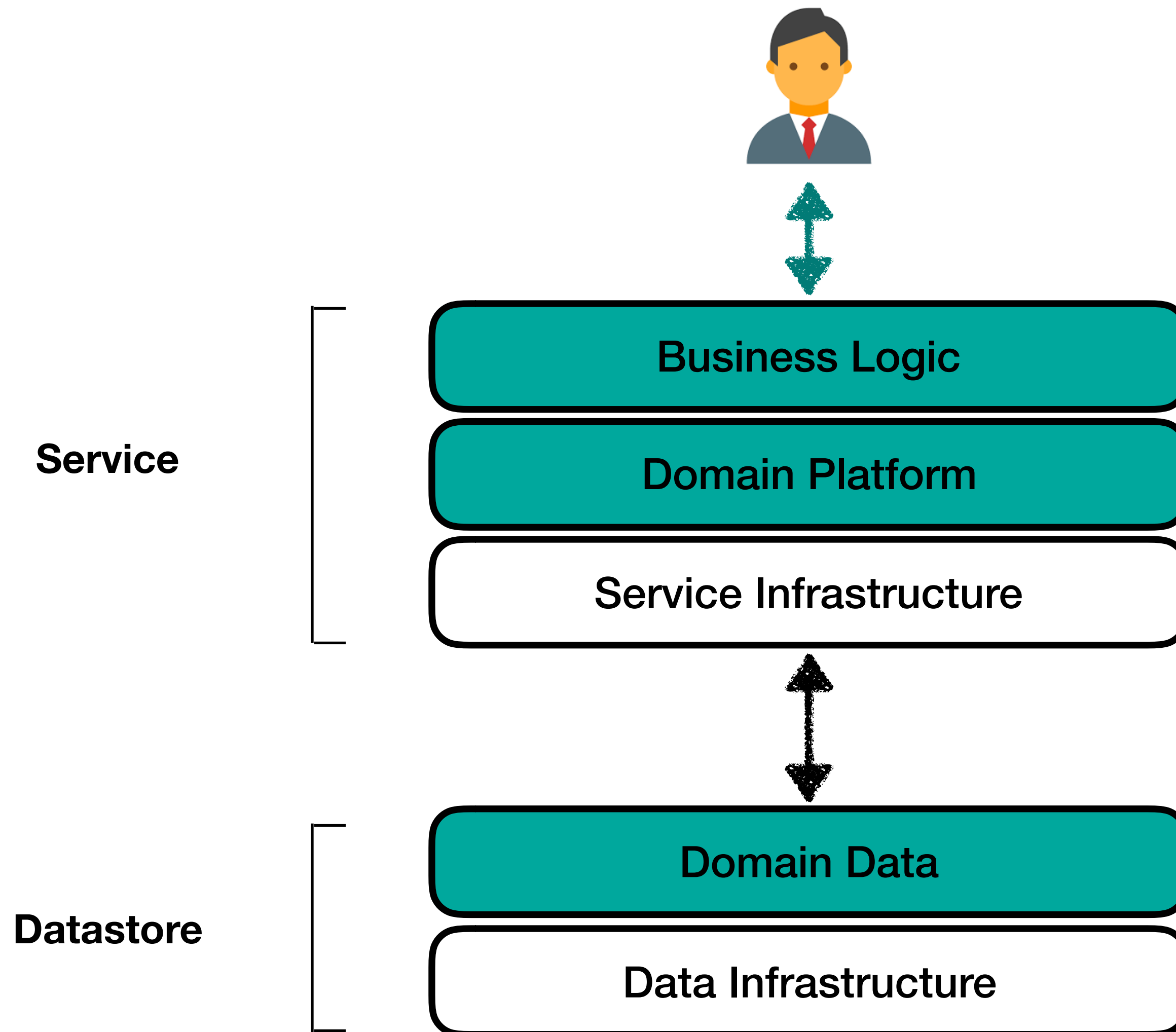


# Service Stack

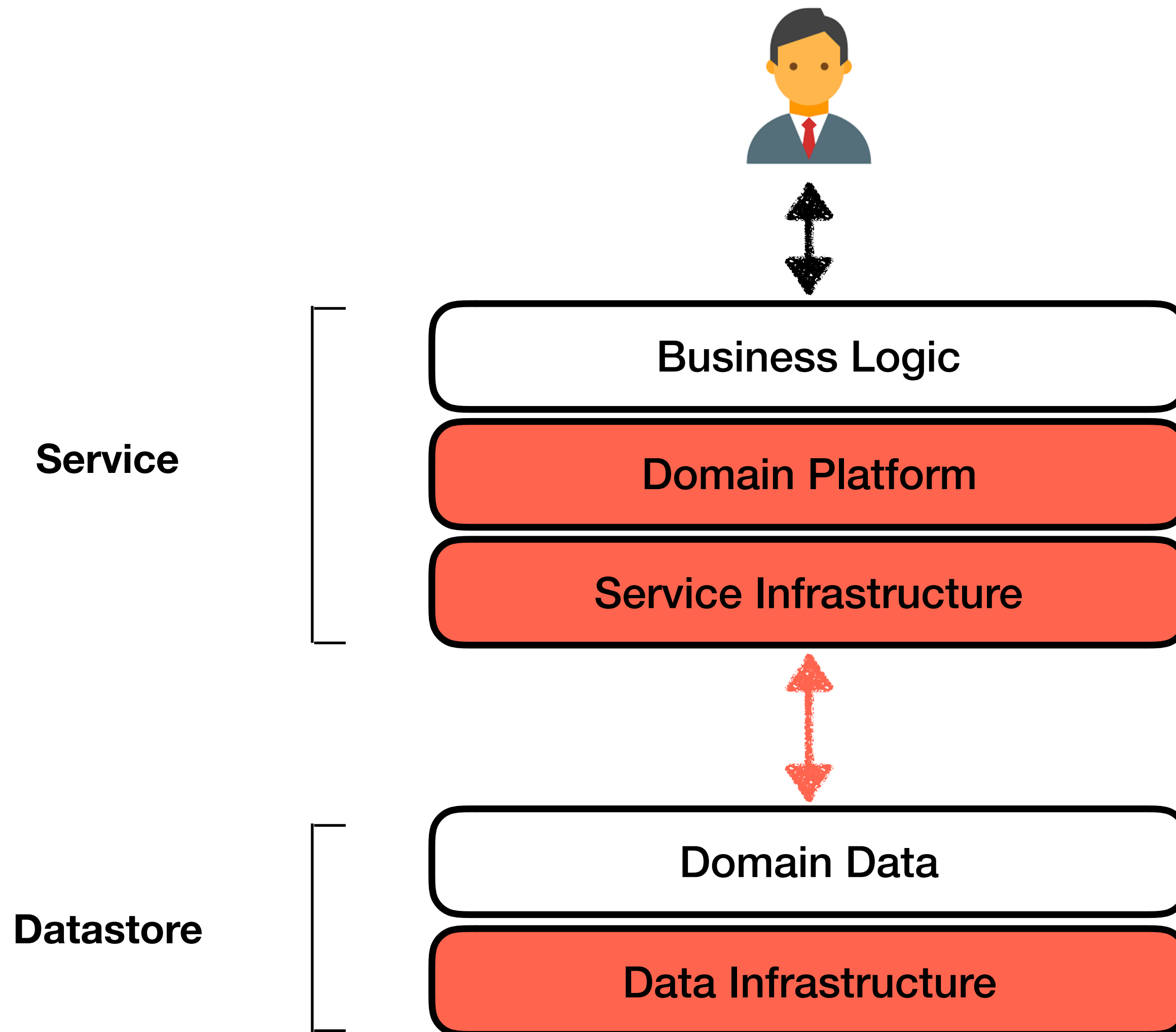




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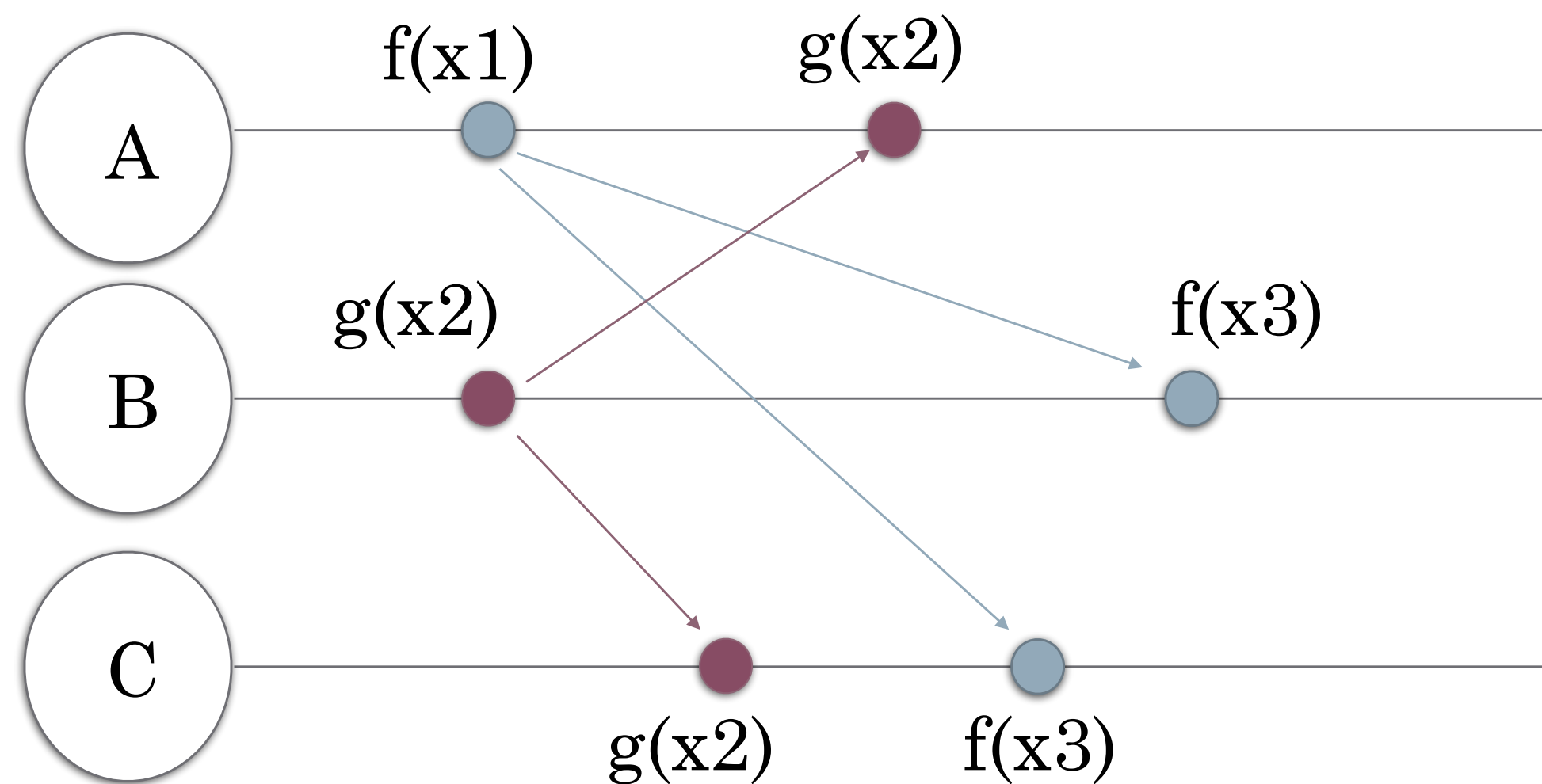
# Conflict-free Replicated Data Types

# CRDTs

## commutative

Requirements:

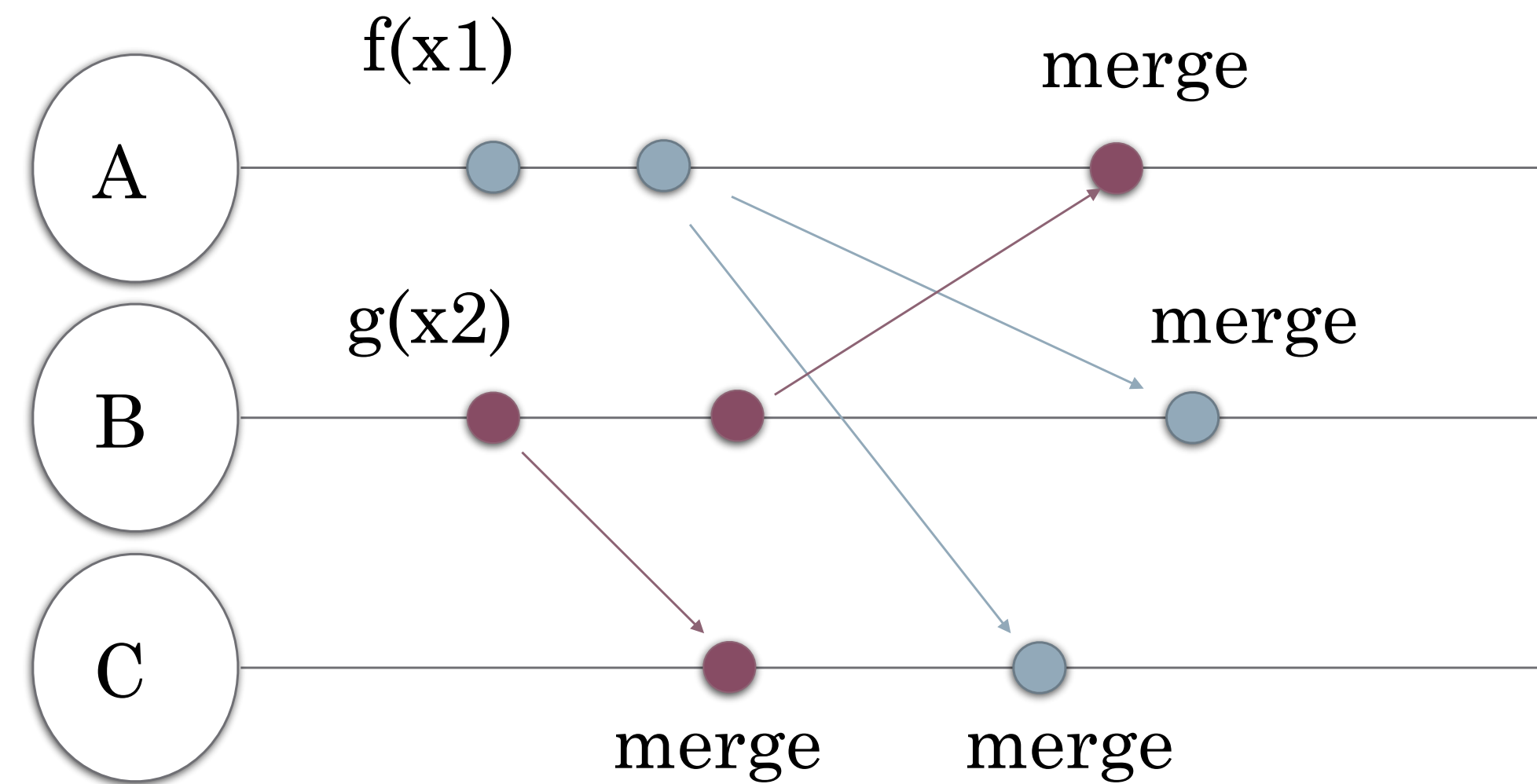
- + Commutativity
- + Associativity
- + Exactly once delivery
- - Idempotence



## convergent

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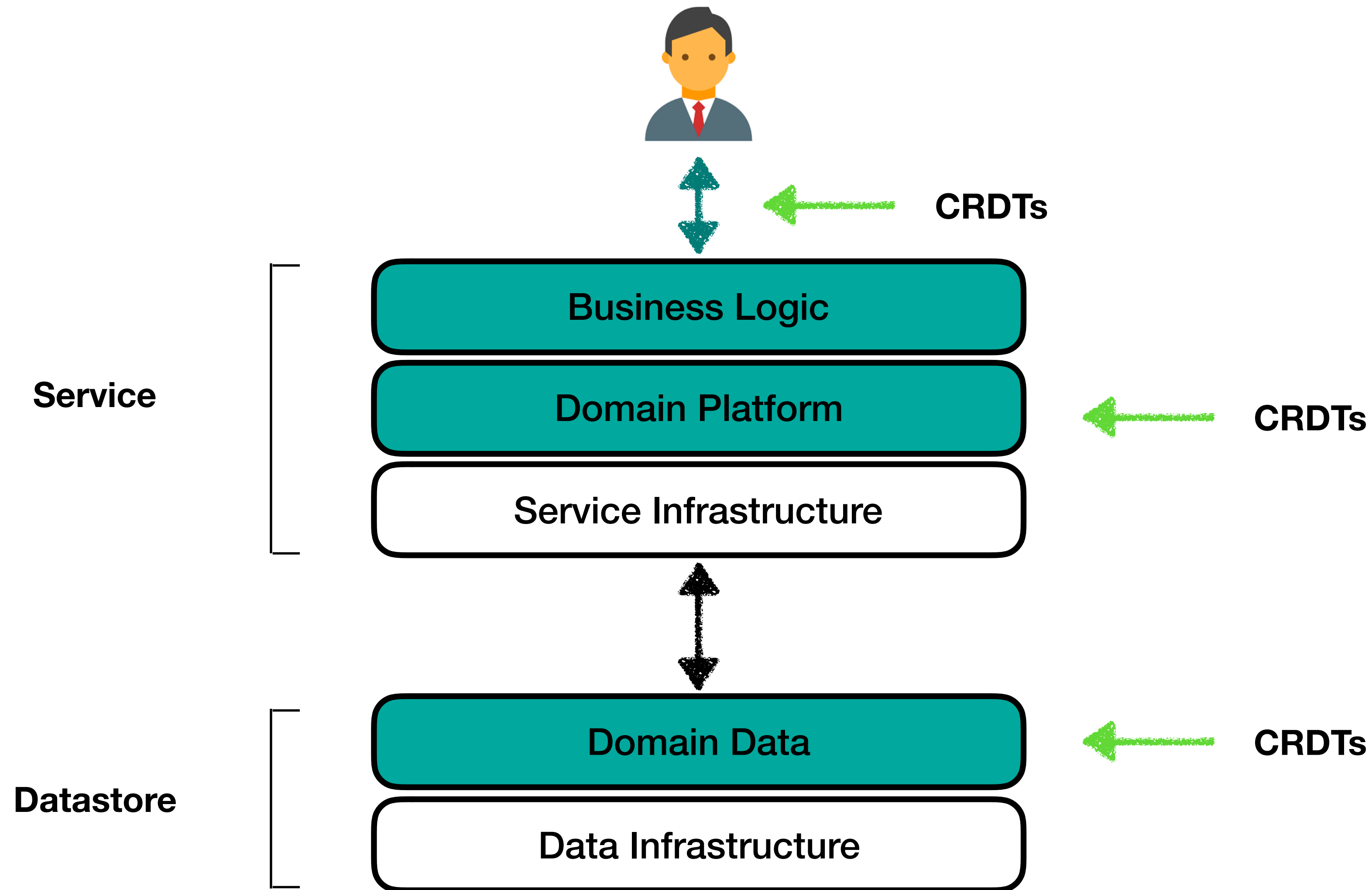
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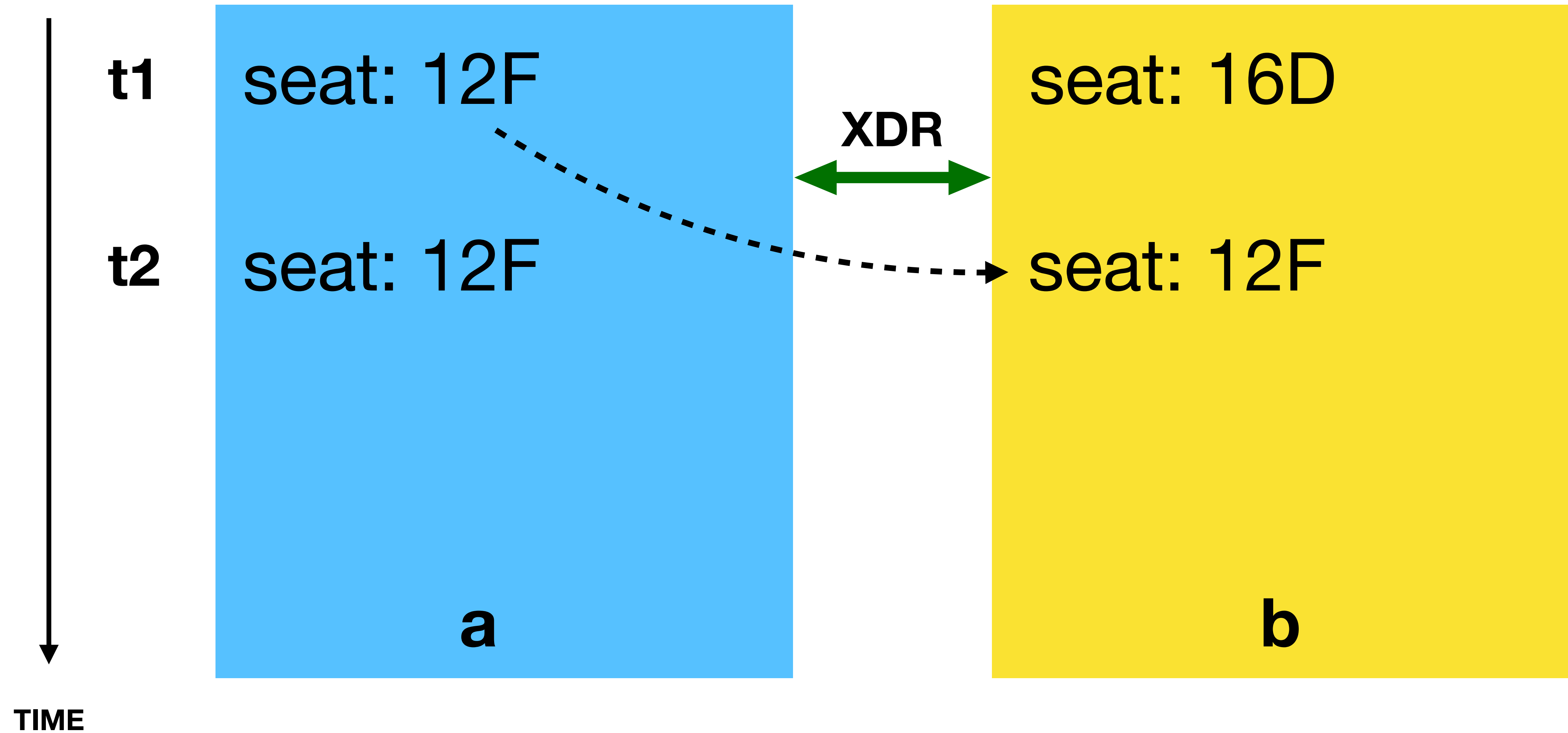
# Convergent CRDTs

- $M(a, b) = M(b, a)$
- $M(M(a, b), c) = M(a, M(b, c))$
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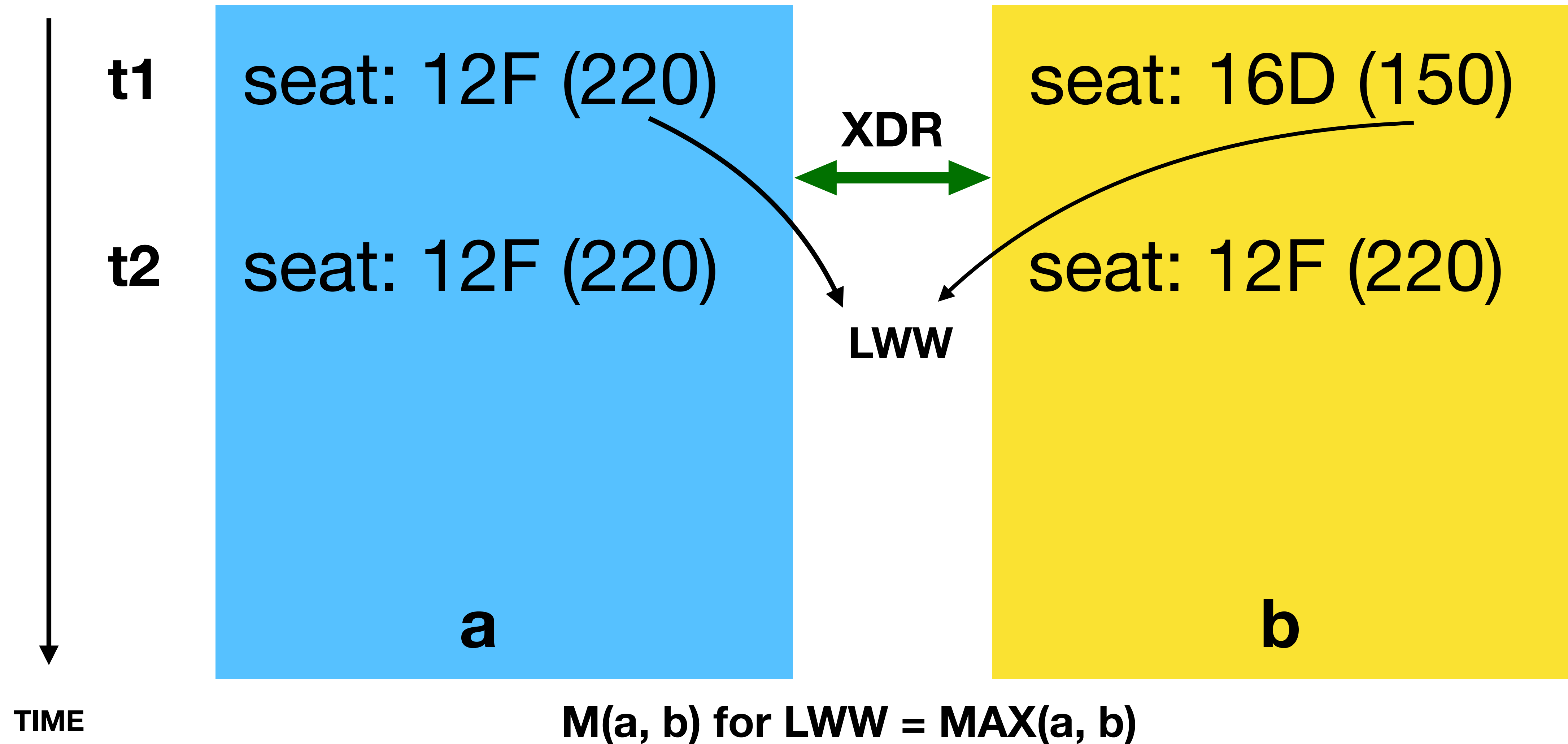
# Impacted Components for CRDTs



# Online Flight Check-in System

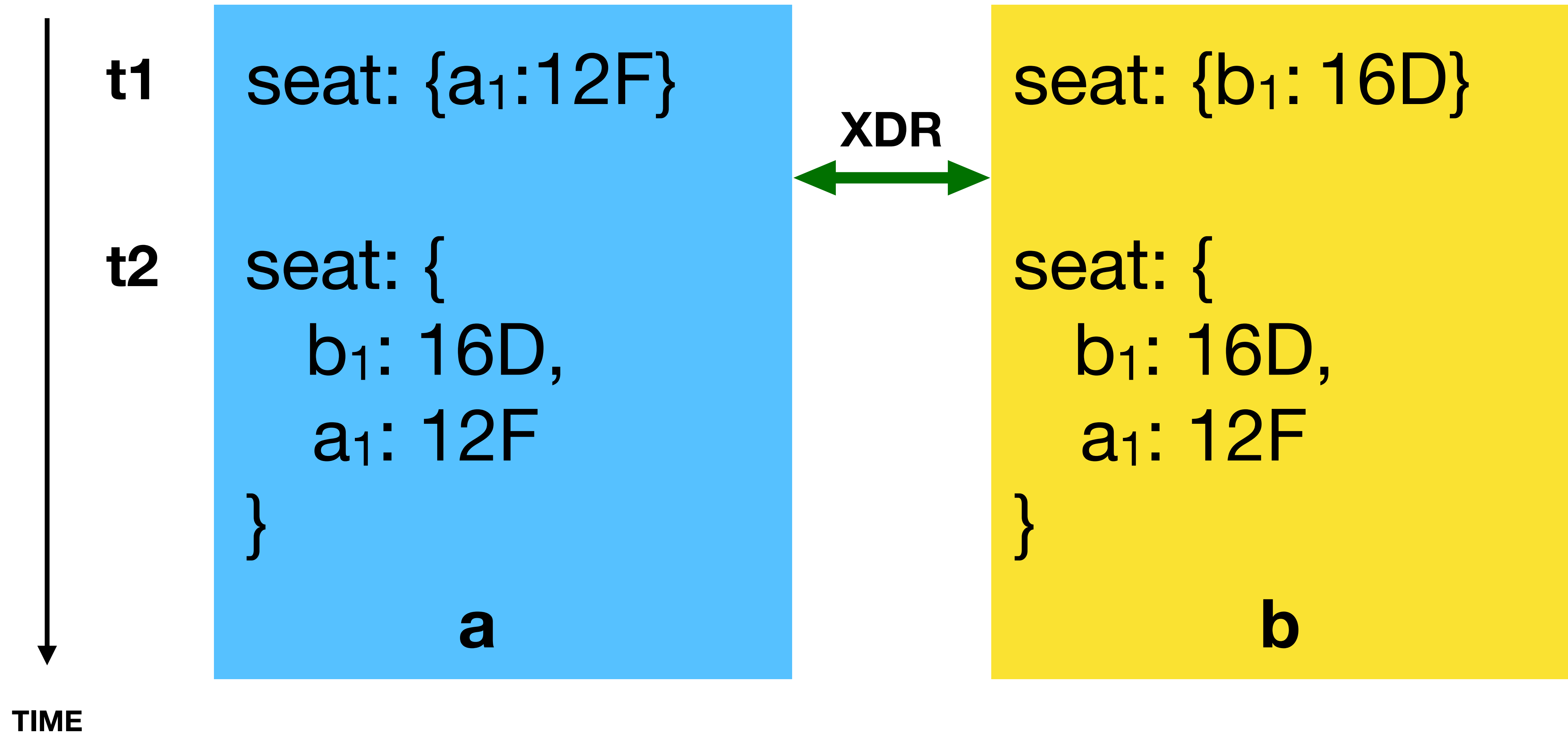


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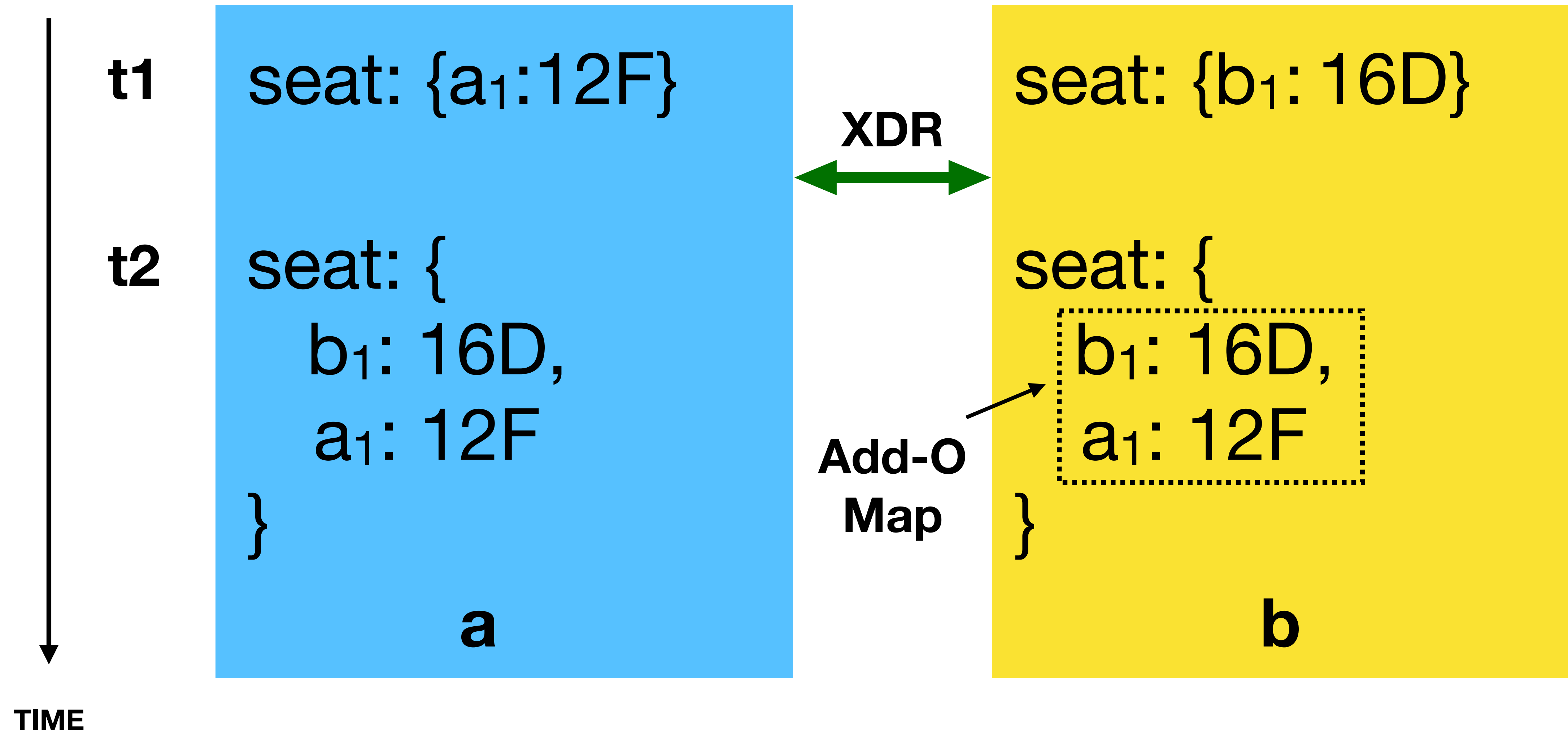




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seat: {

b<sub>1</sub>: 16D,

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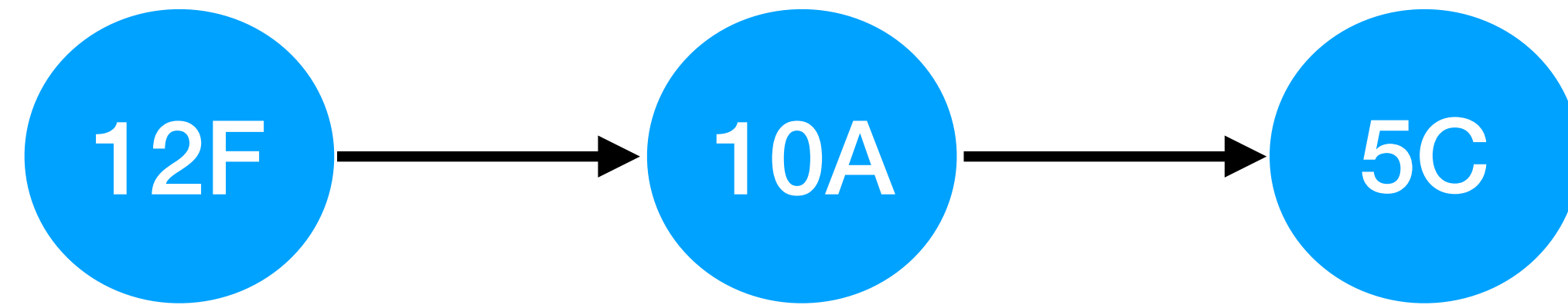
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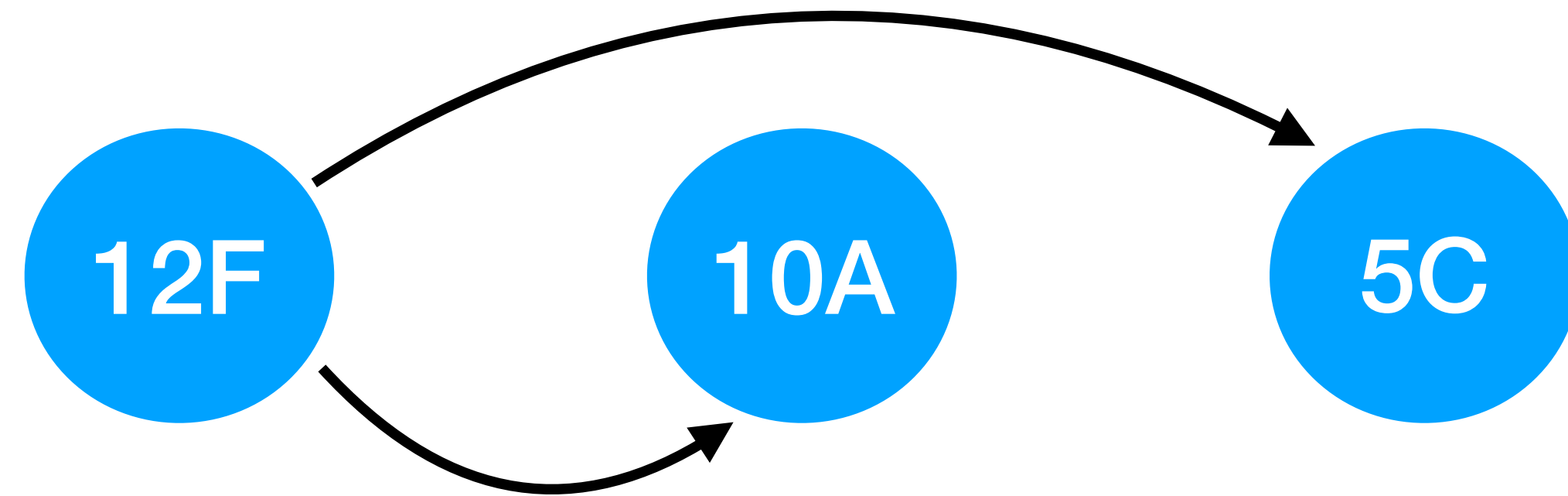
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GET(key): value  $\Rightarrow$  GET(key): (value, **cv**)

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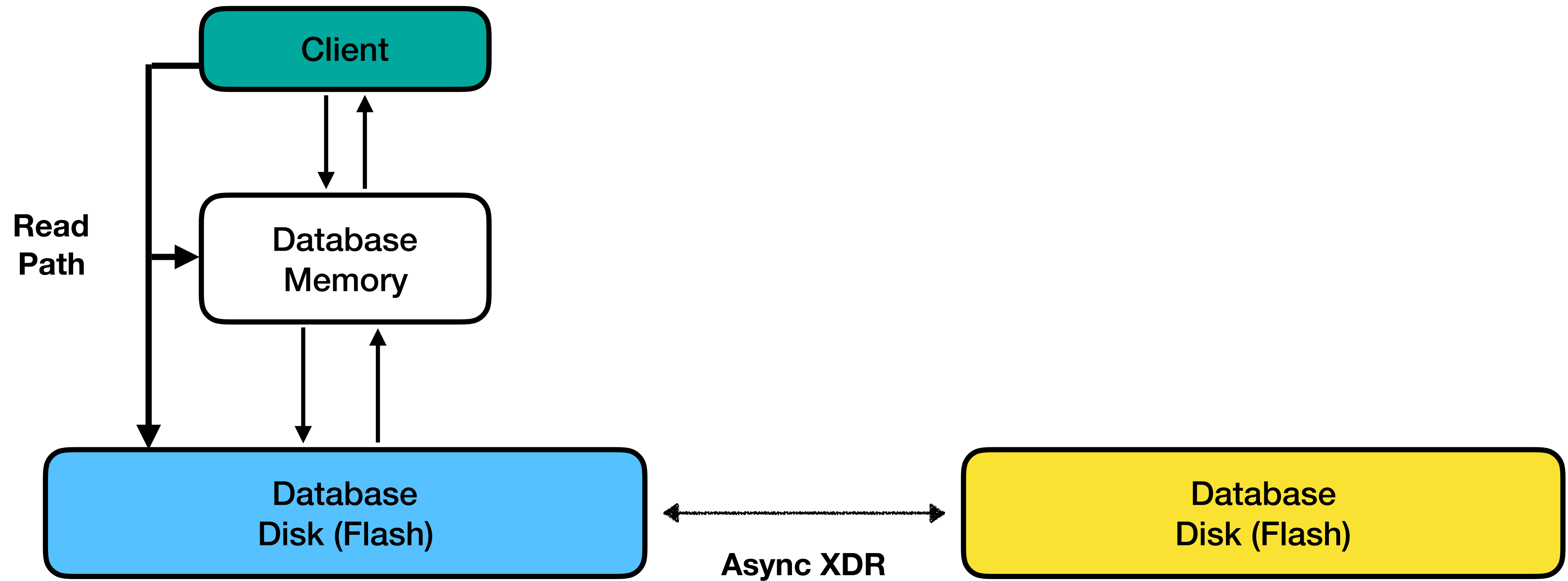
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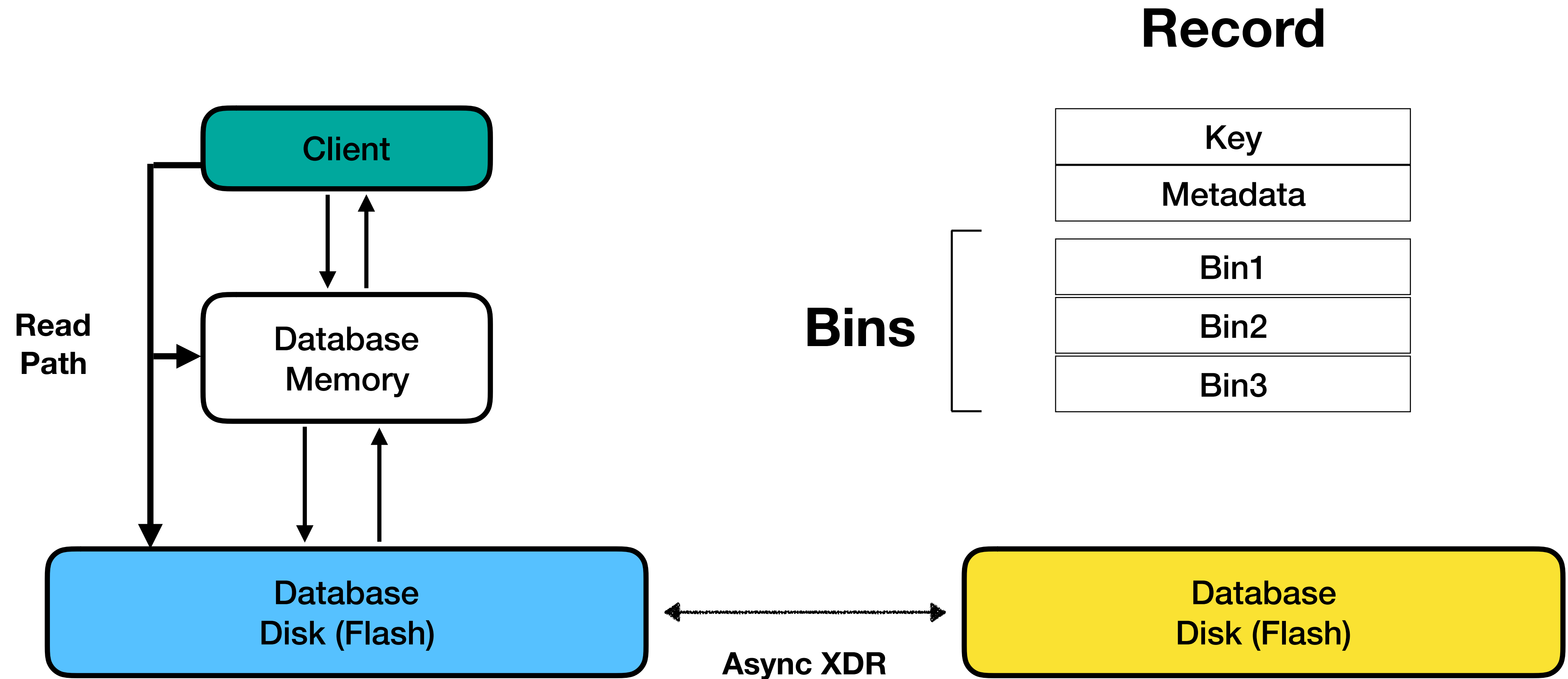
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# Aerospike Datastore



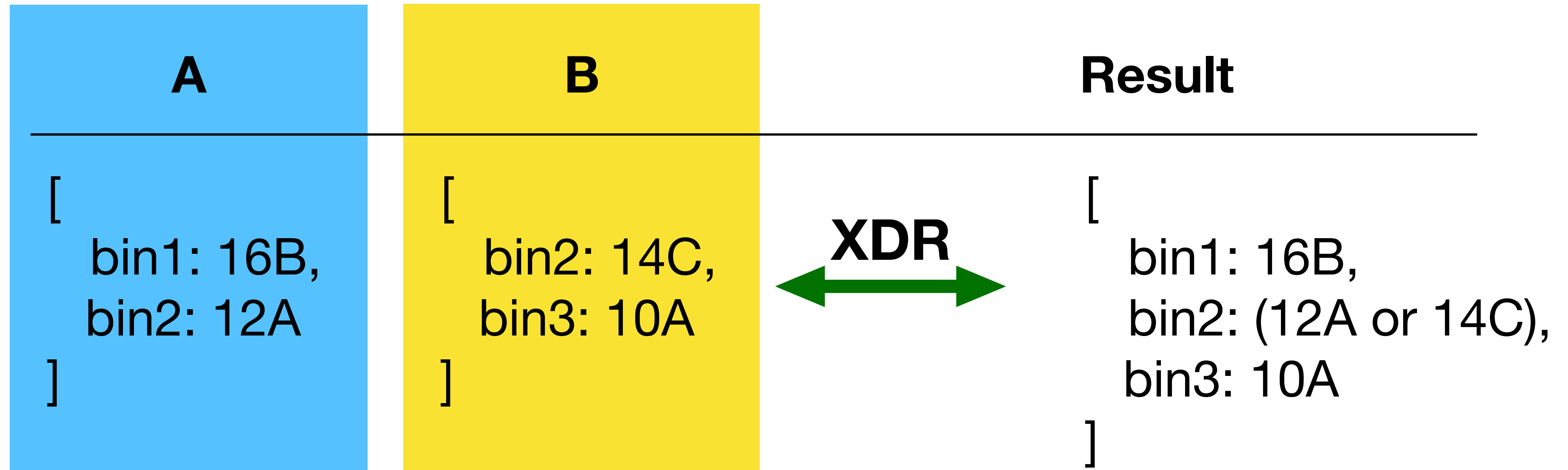


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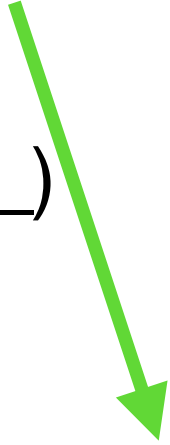
## 1 User-Defined Functions

2





12F(\_)



**a**



a1:(12F,\_)

**b**

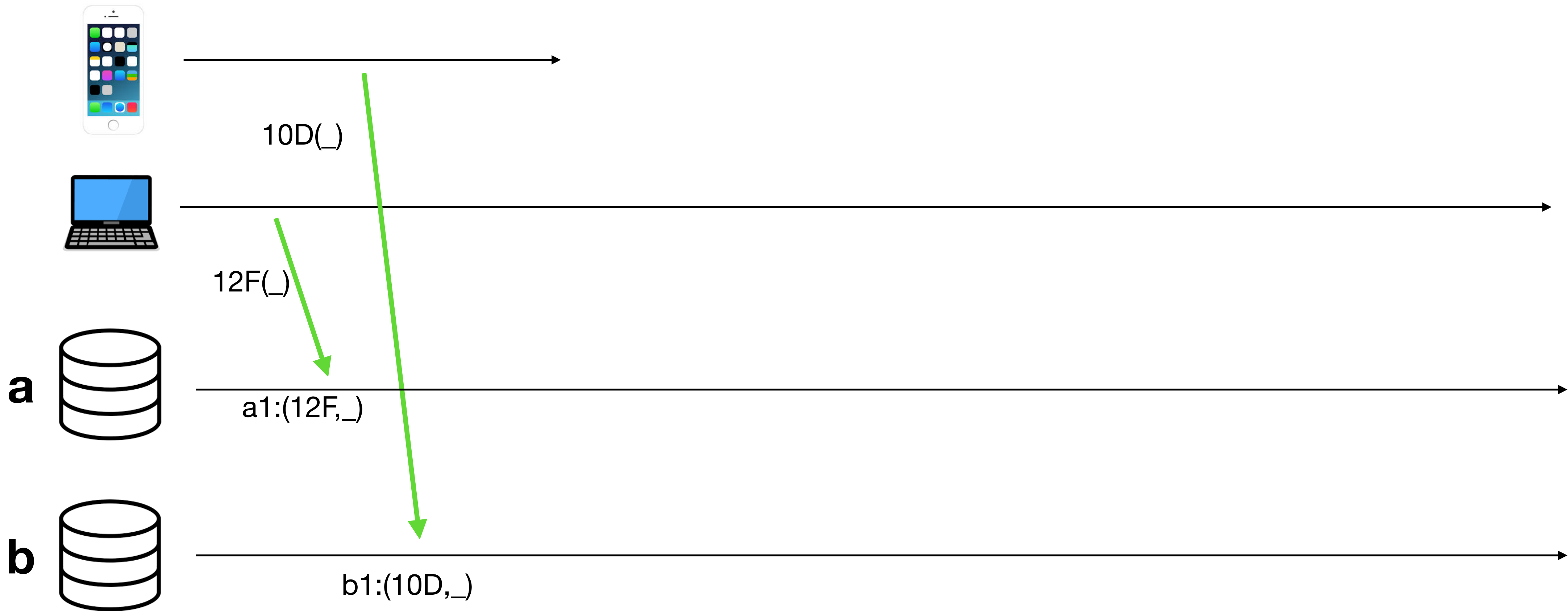


Bins	1
a1	(12F, _)

**a**

Bins	1

**b**

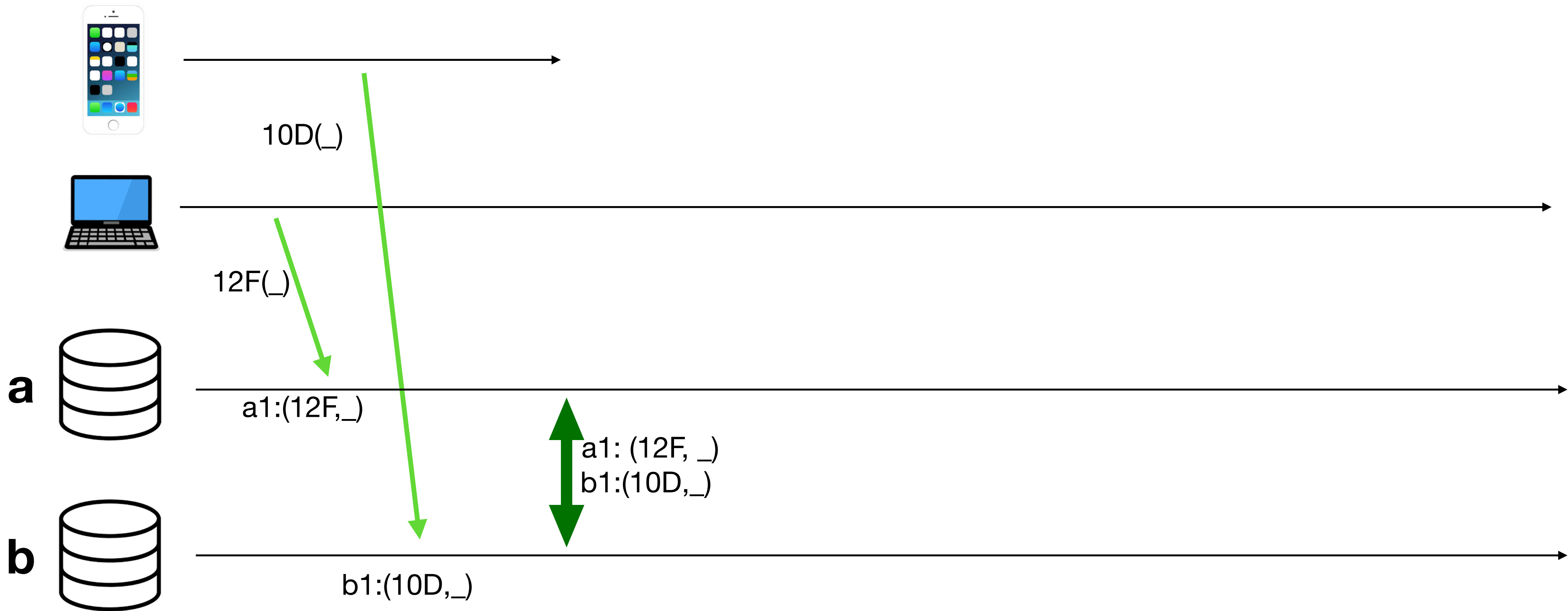


Bins	1	2
a1	(12F, _)	(12F, _)

**a**

Bins	1	2
b1		(10D, _)

**b**

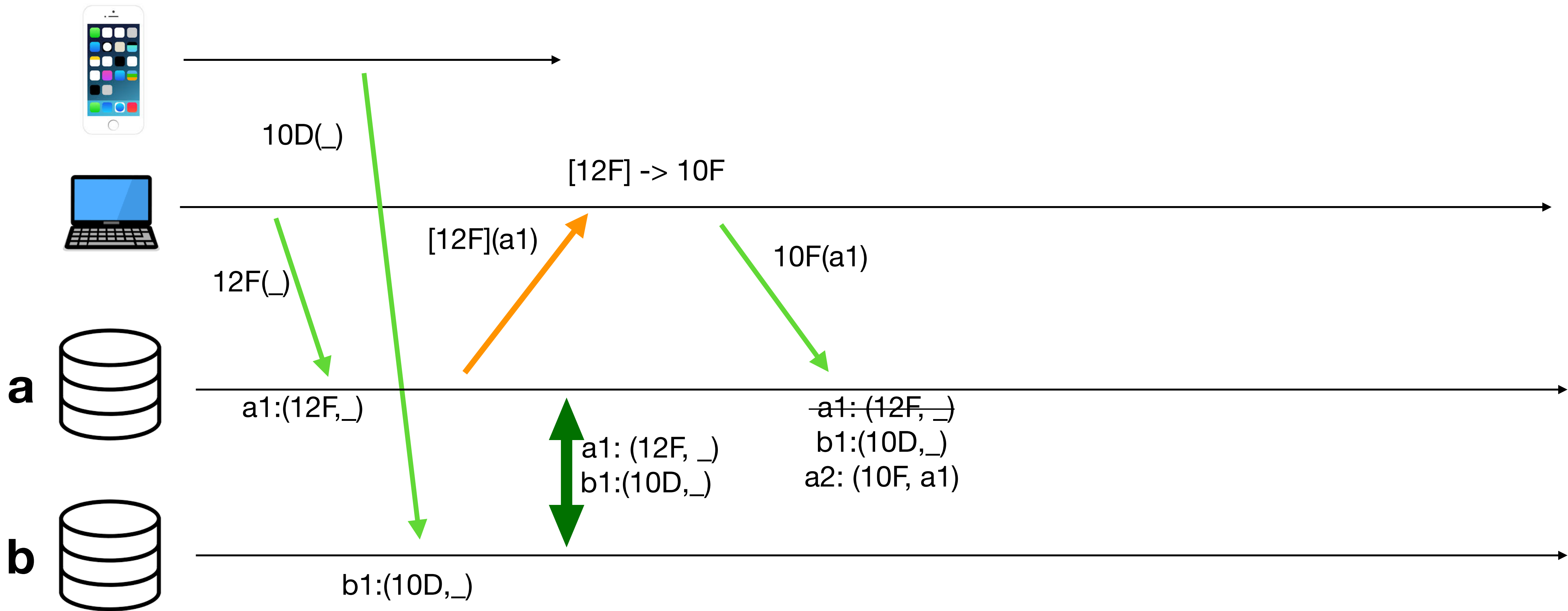


Bins	1	2	3
a1	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1			(10D, _)

**a**

Bins	1	2	3
a1			(12F, _)
b1		(10D, _)	(10D, _)

**b**

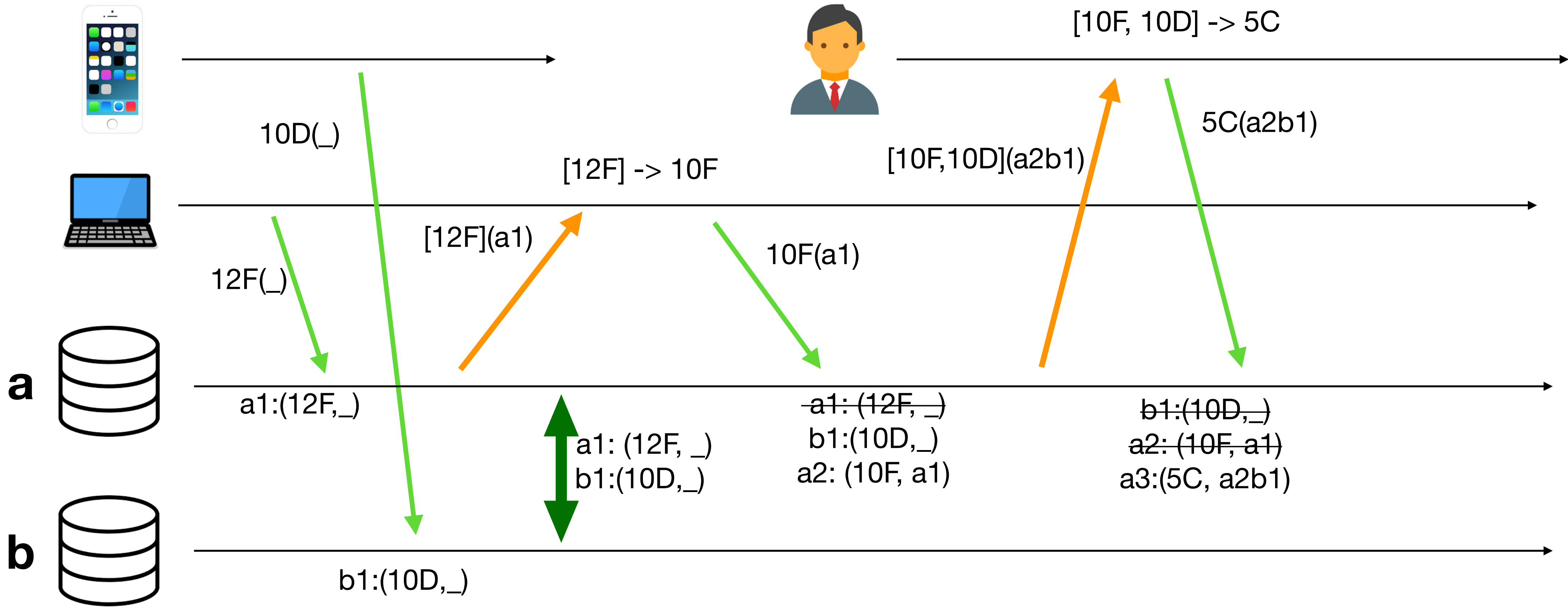


Bins	1	2	3	4
a1	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1			(10D, _)	(10D, _)
a2				(10F, a1)

a

Bins	1	2	3	4
a1			(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1		(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)

b

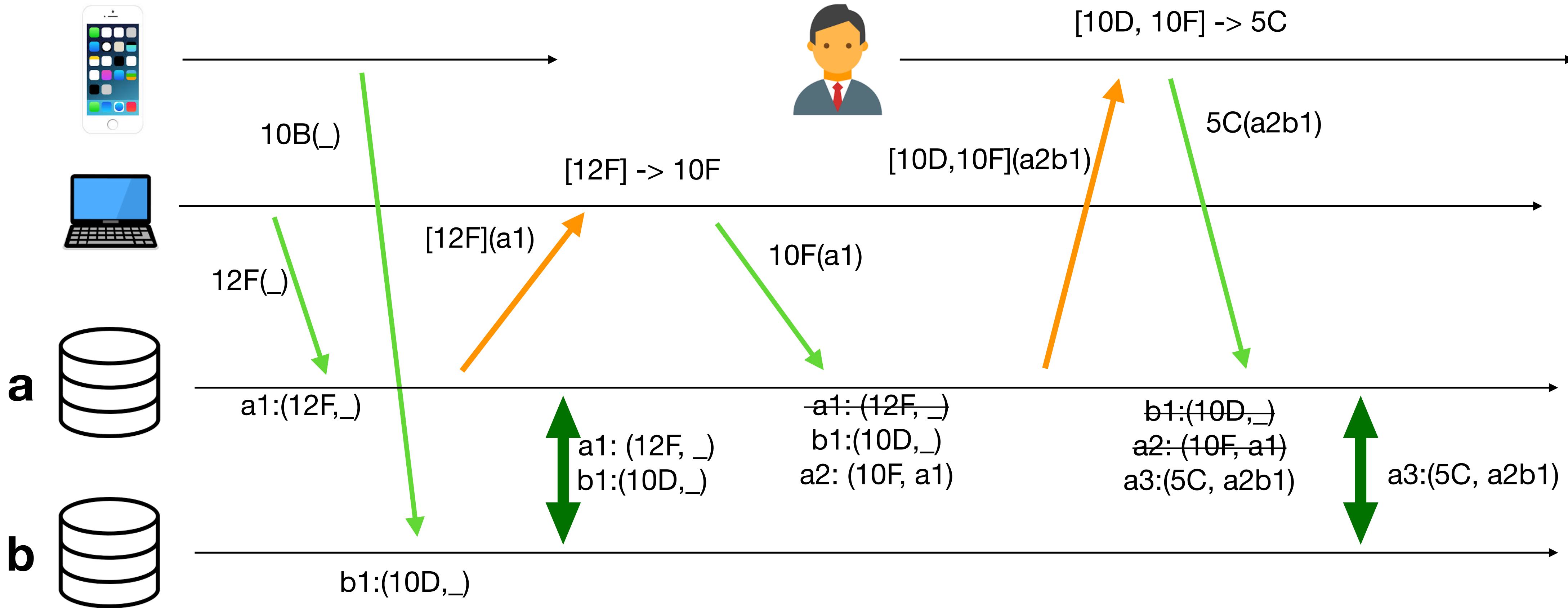


Bins	1	2	3	4	5
a1	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1			(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)
a2				(10F, a1)	(10F, a1)
a3					(5C, a2b1)

**a**

Bins	1	2	3	4	5
a1			(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1		(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)

**b**



Bins	1	2	3	4	5	6
a1	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1			(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)
a2				(10F, a1)	(10F, a1)	(10F, a1)
a3					(5C, a2b1)	(5C, a2b1)

**a**

Bins	1	2	3	4	5	6
a1			(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)	(12F, _)
b1		(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)	(10D, _)
a3						(5C, a2b1)

**b**



# Learnings

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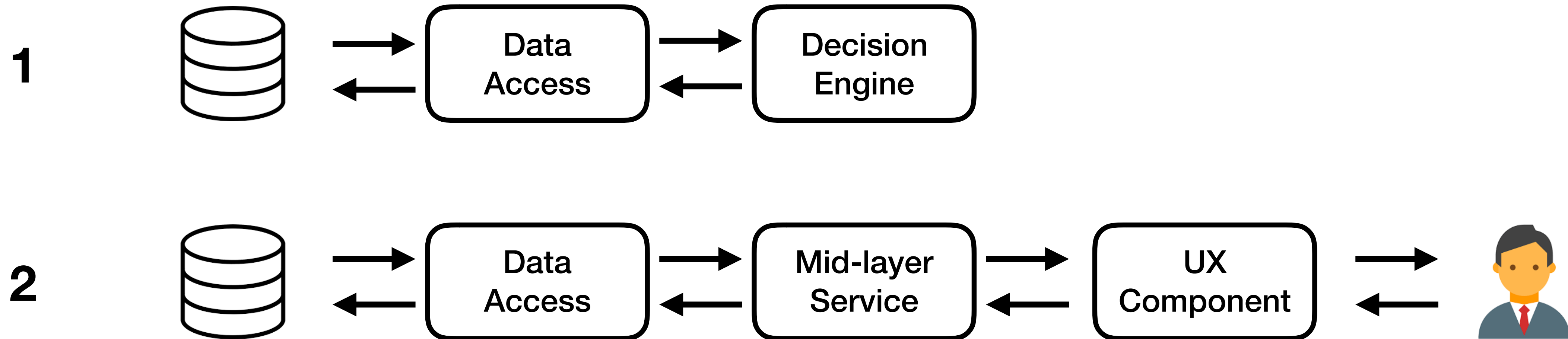
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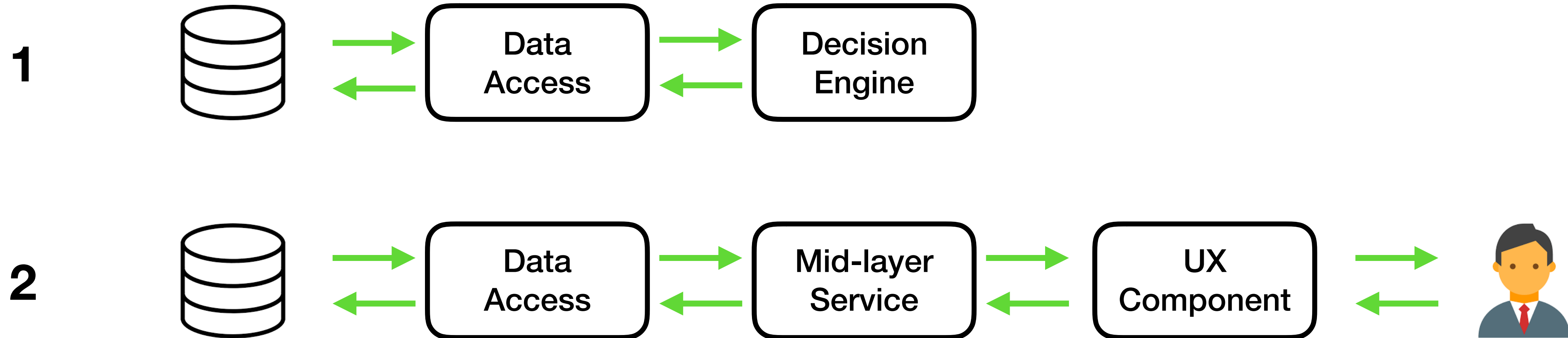
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- Do not **underestimate** concurrent data access

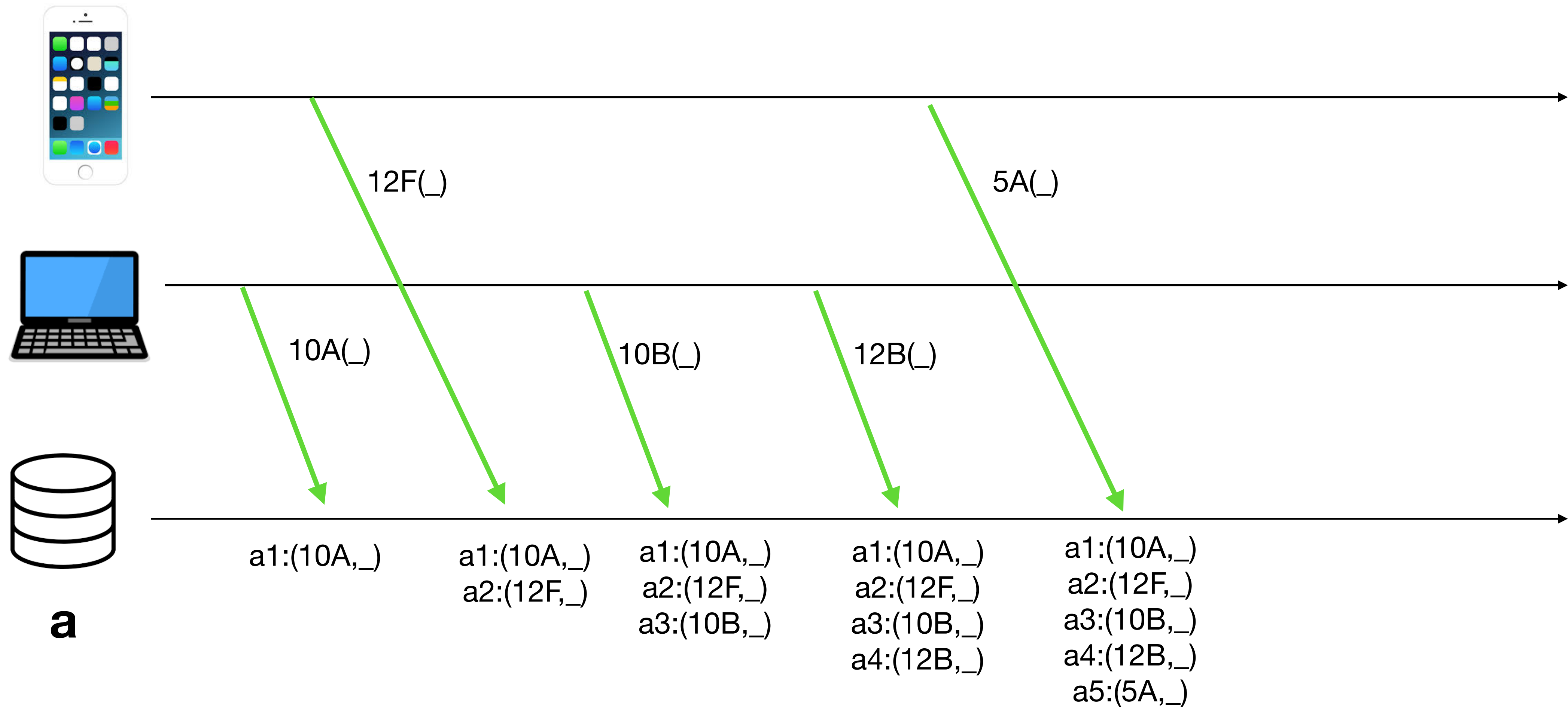
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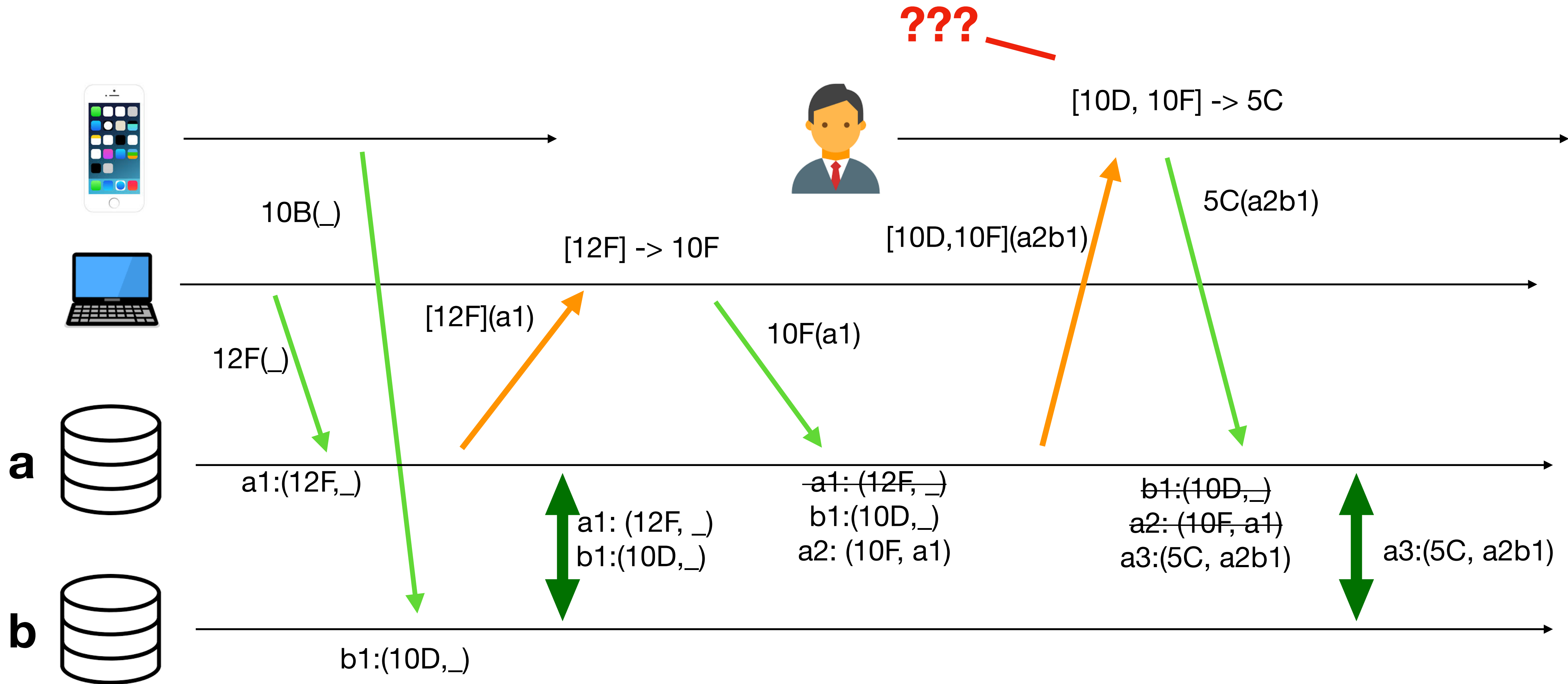
# Caveat #1: CV Propagation



# Caveat #2: Siblings Explosion



# Caveat #3: Wait, Siblings ?



**Thanks!**