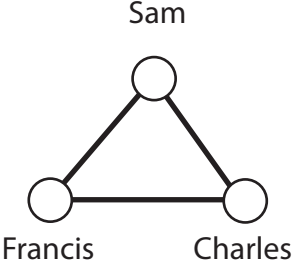


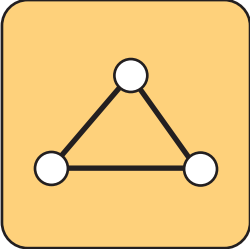
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Sam, Charles, and Francis are 3 friends.



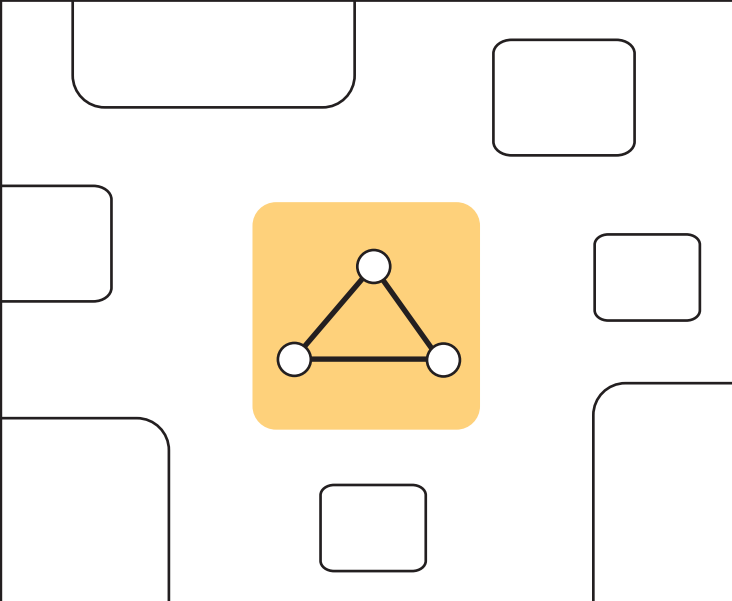
A diagram showing three nodes arranged in a triangle. The top node is labeled 'Sam', the bottom-left node is labeled 'Francis', and the bottom-right node is labeled 'Charles'. All three nodes are connected to each other by solid lines, forming a complete graph K3.

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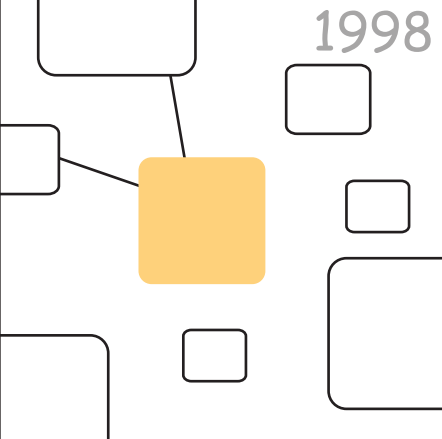


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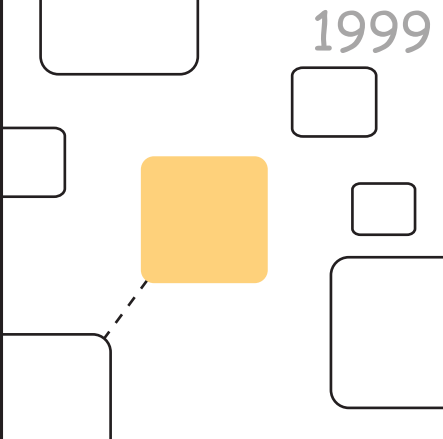
They were looking for companies to collaborate with.



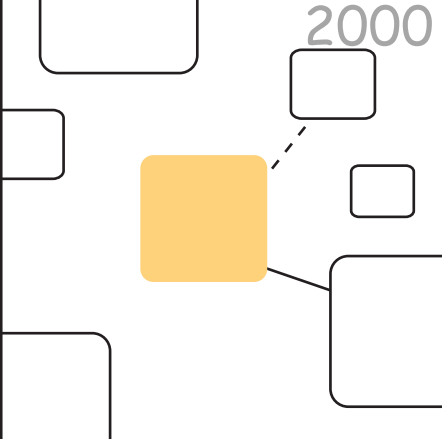
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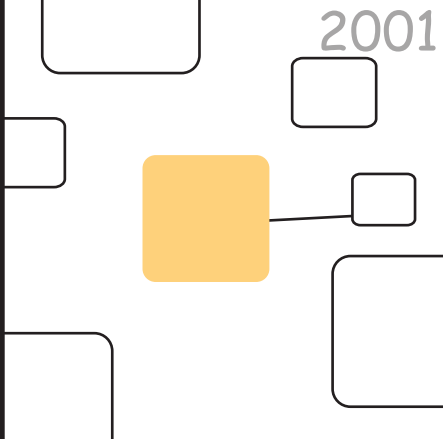
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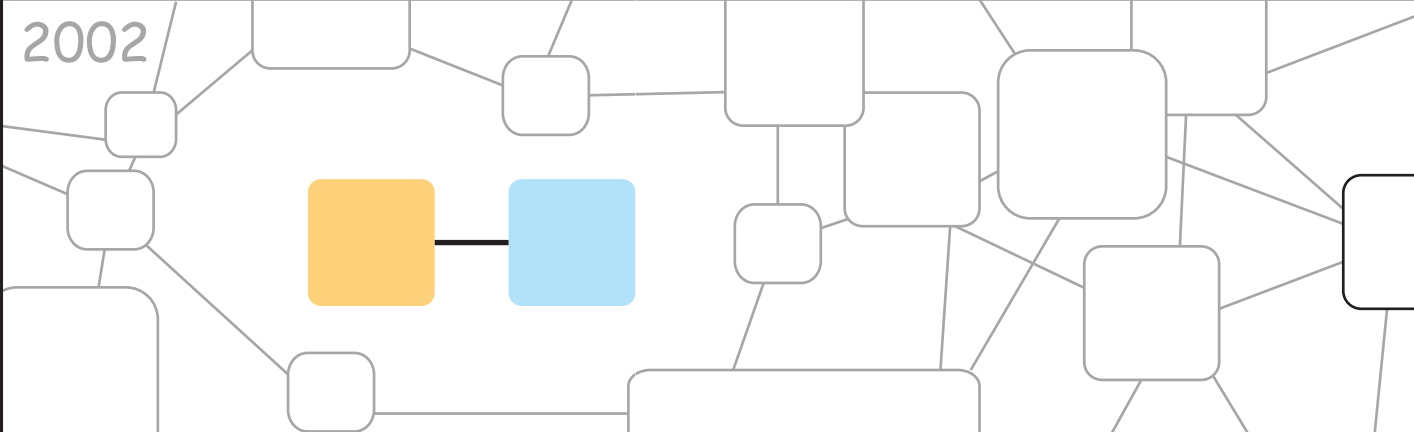


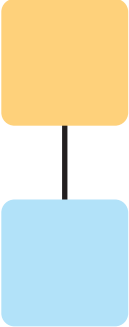
One day, they met a start-up, working on a similar product.


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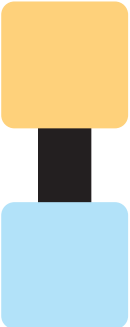


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