

# Advanced Web Security

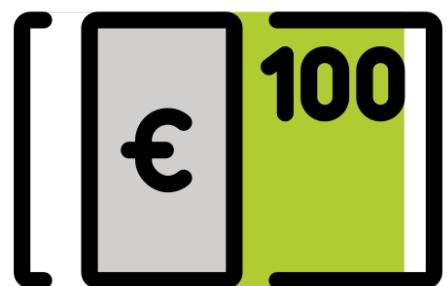
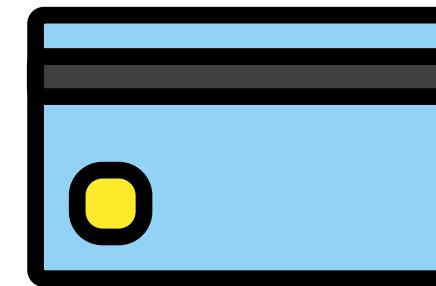
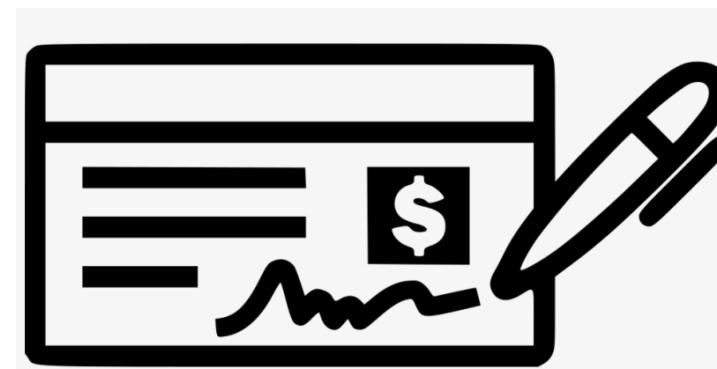
## Secure Electronic Payments

### BLOCKCHAIN

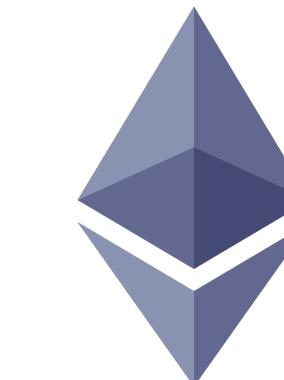
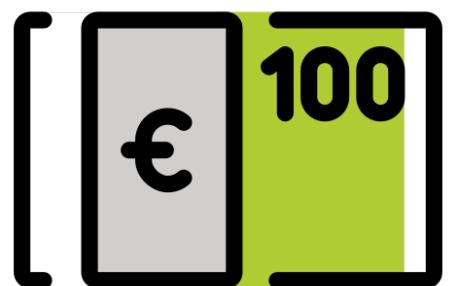
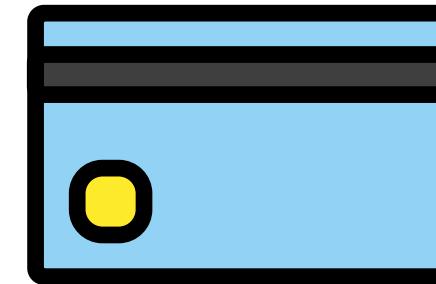
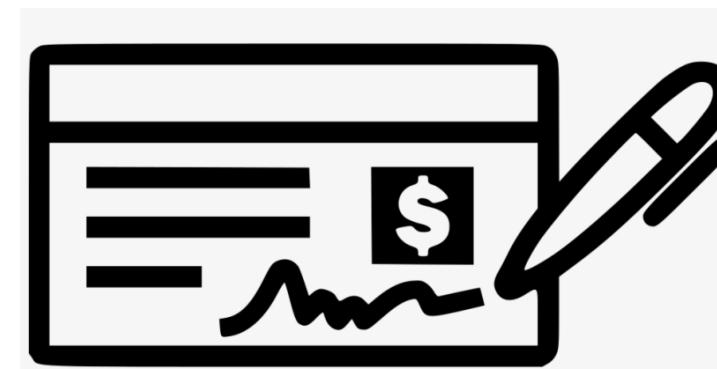
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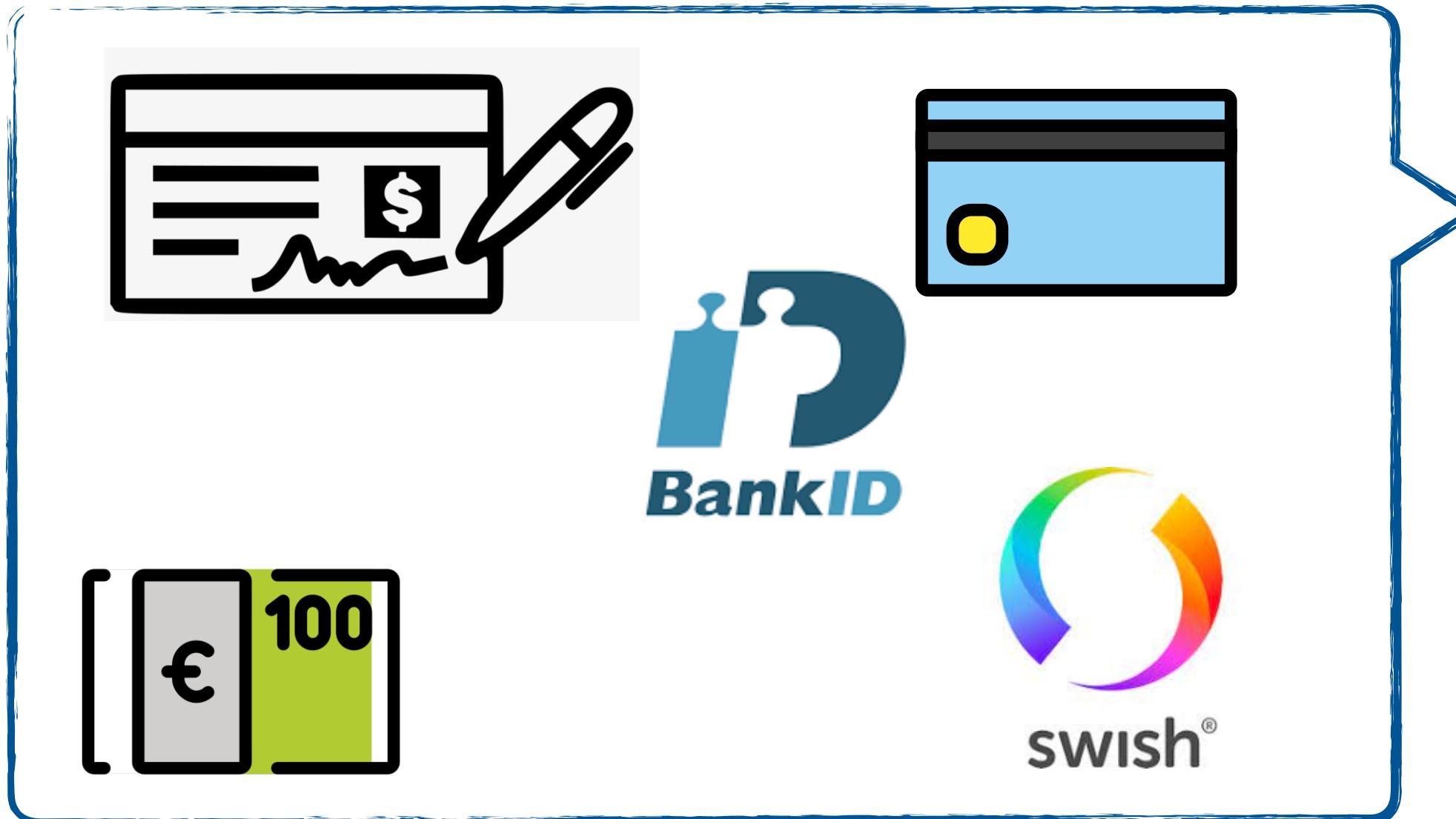
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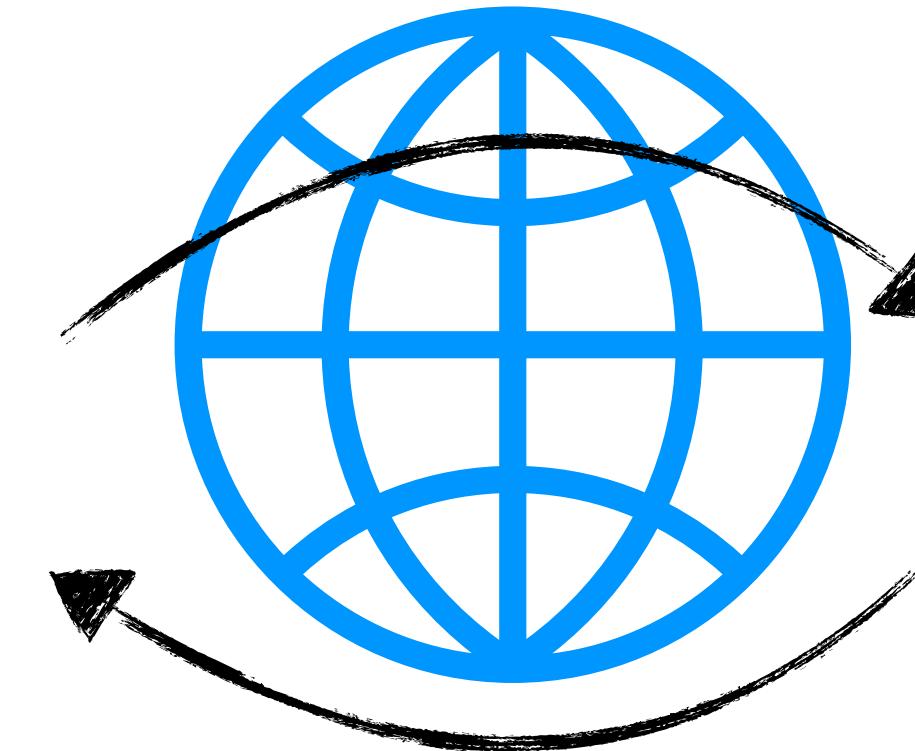


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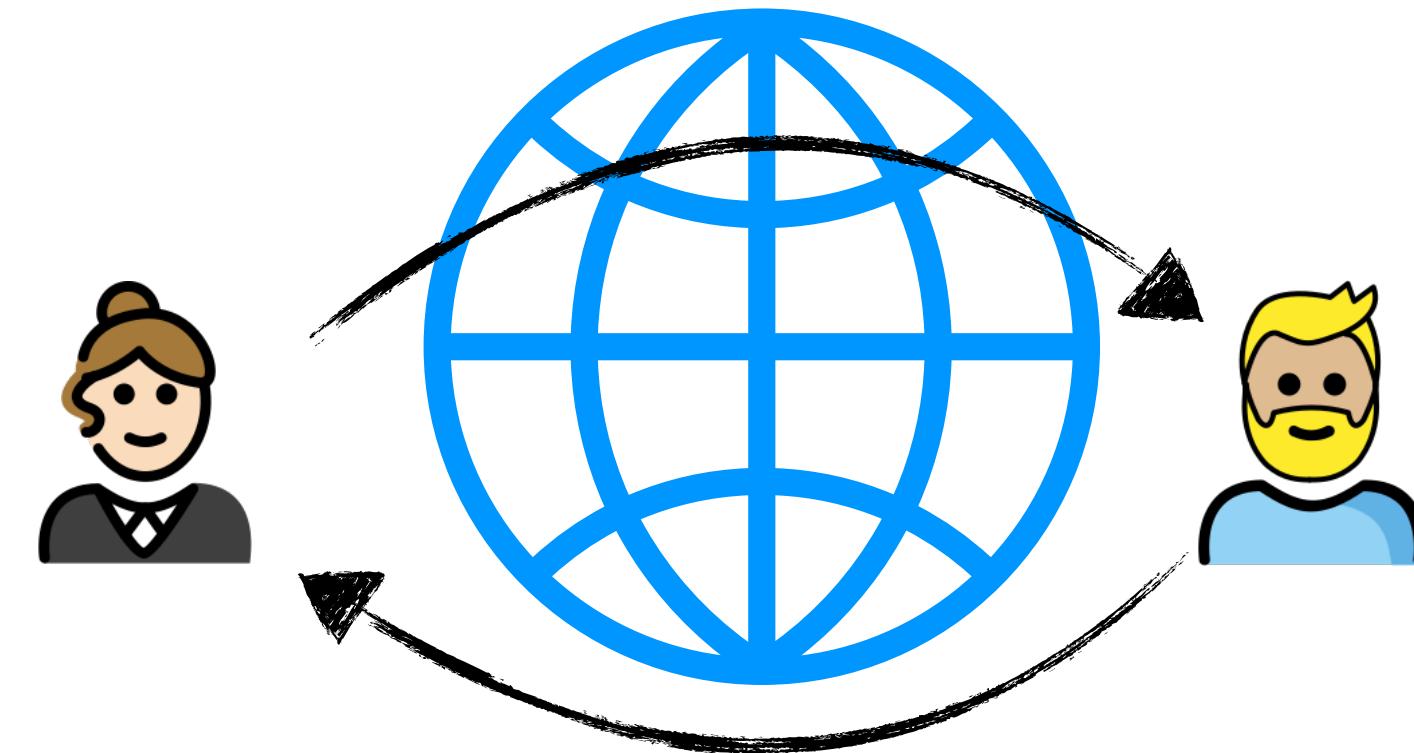
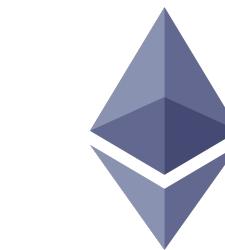
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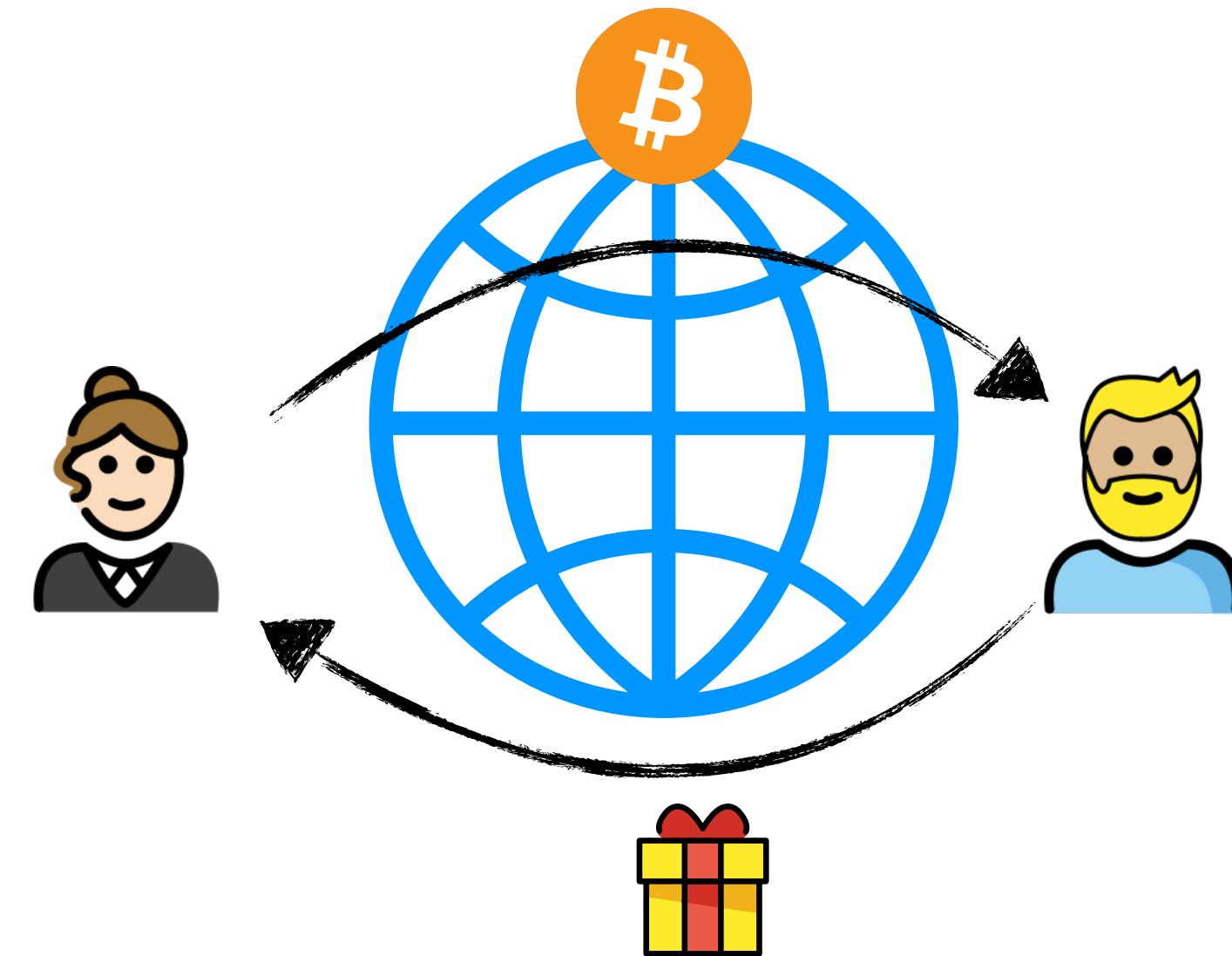
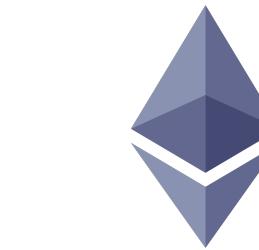
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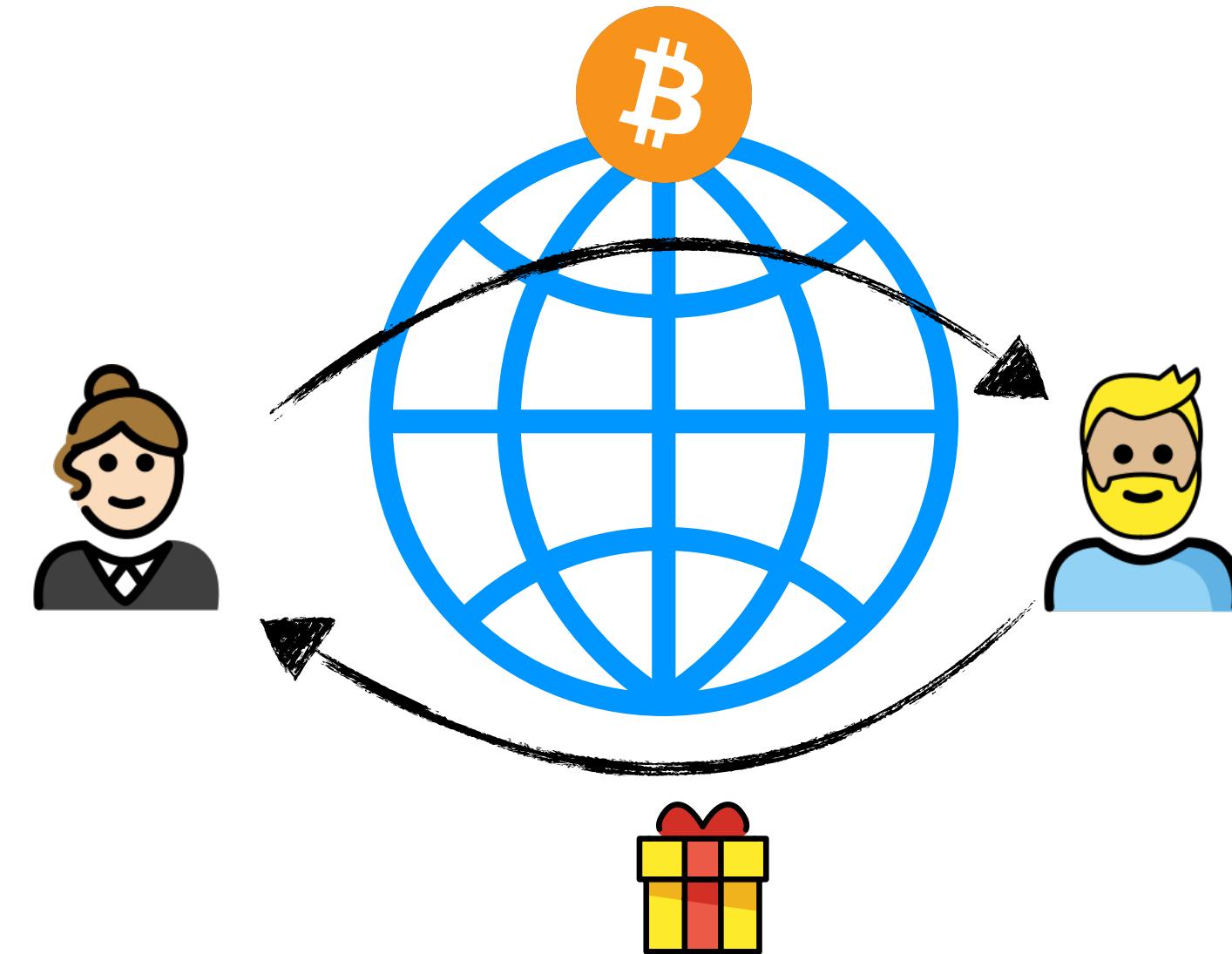
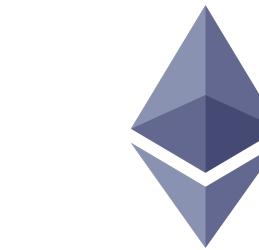
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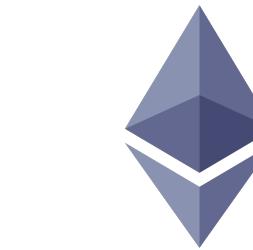


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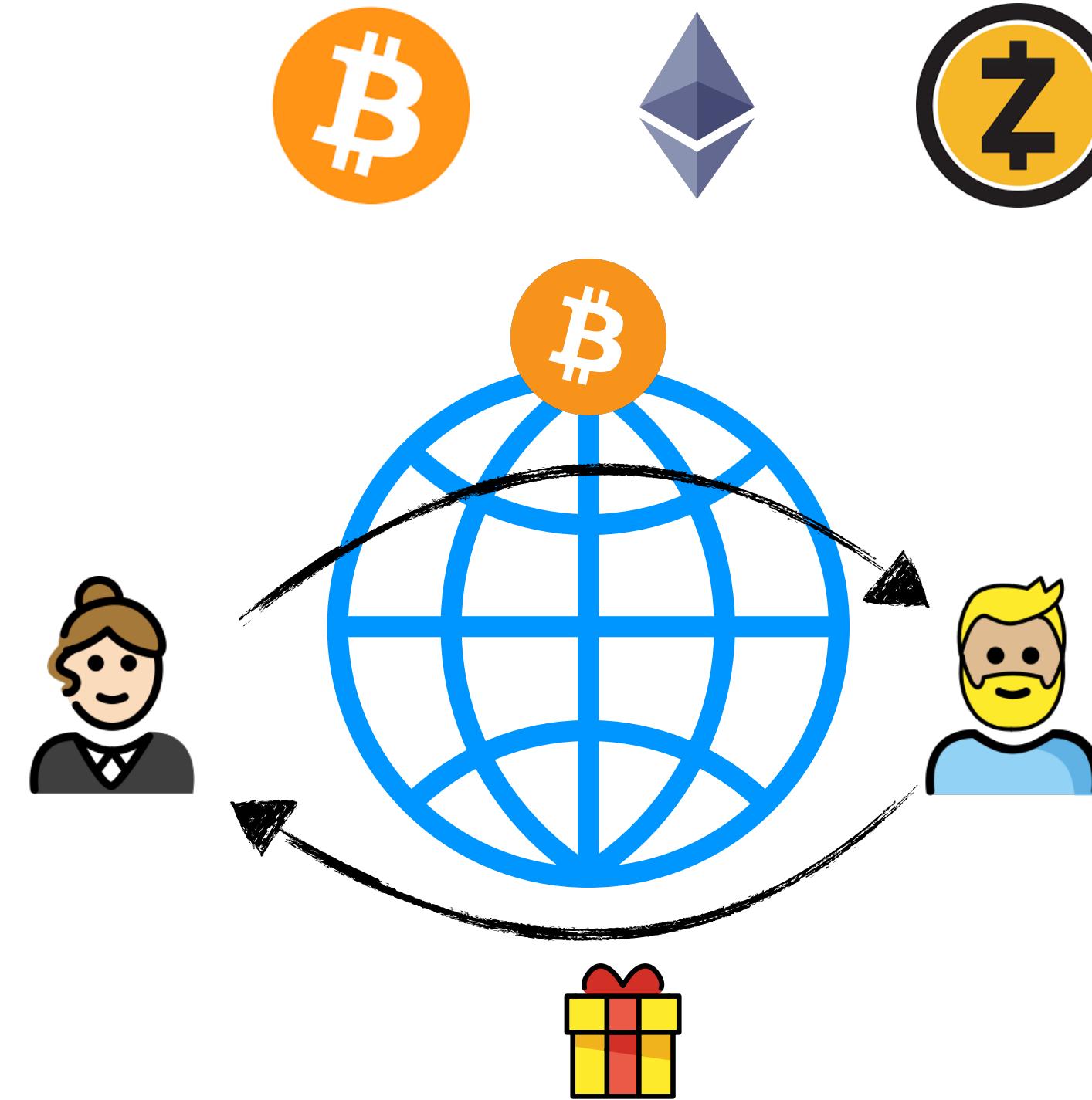
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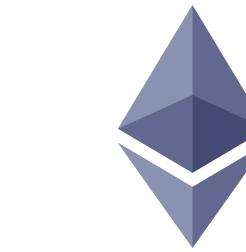
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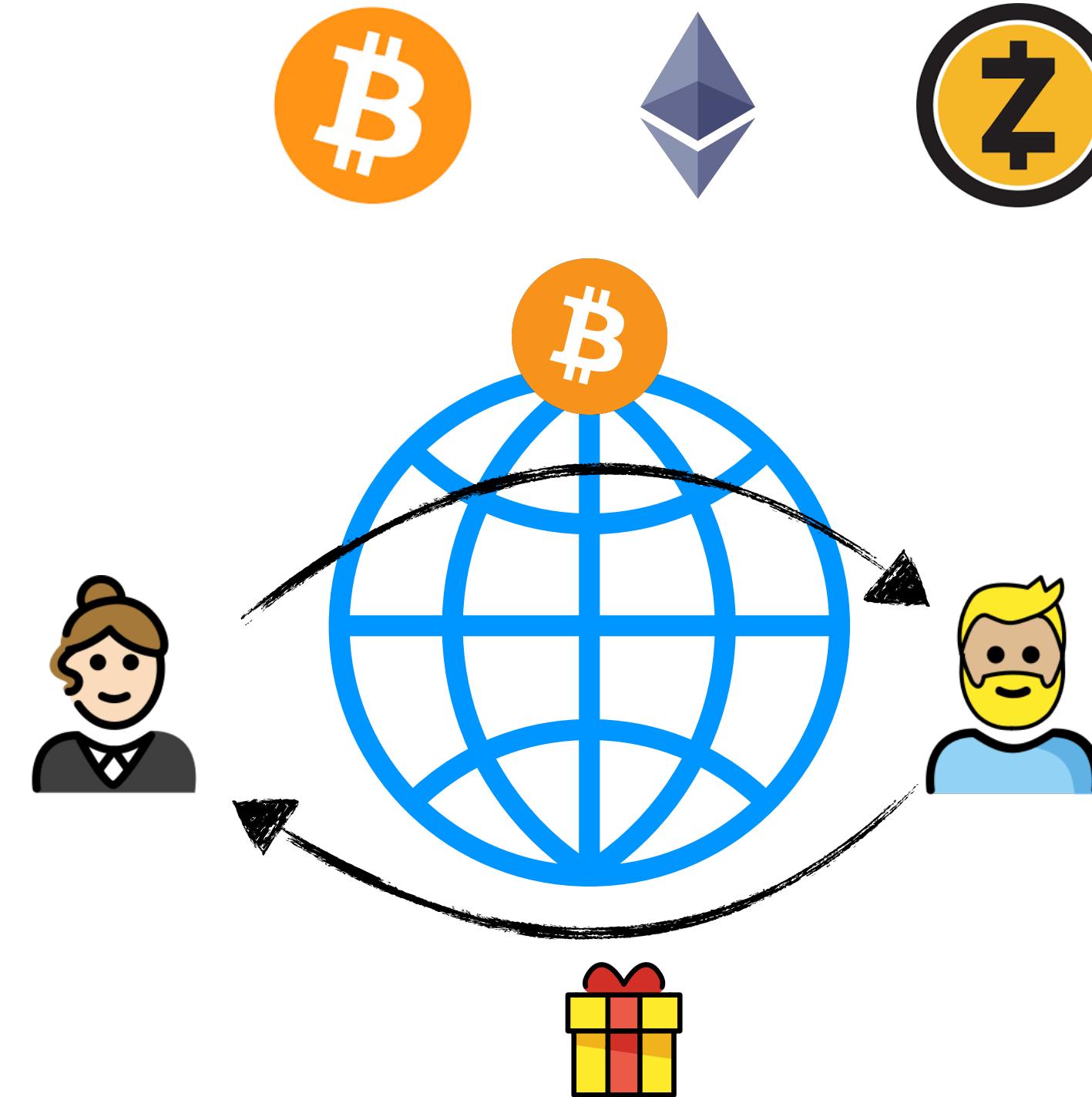


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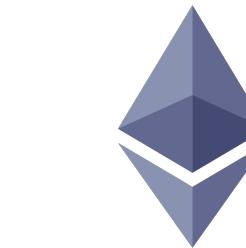


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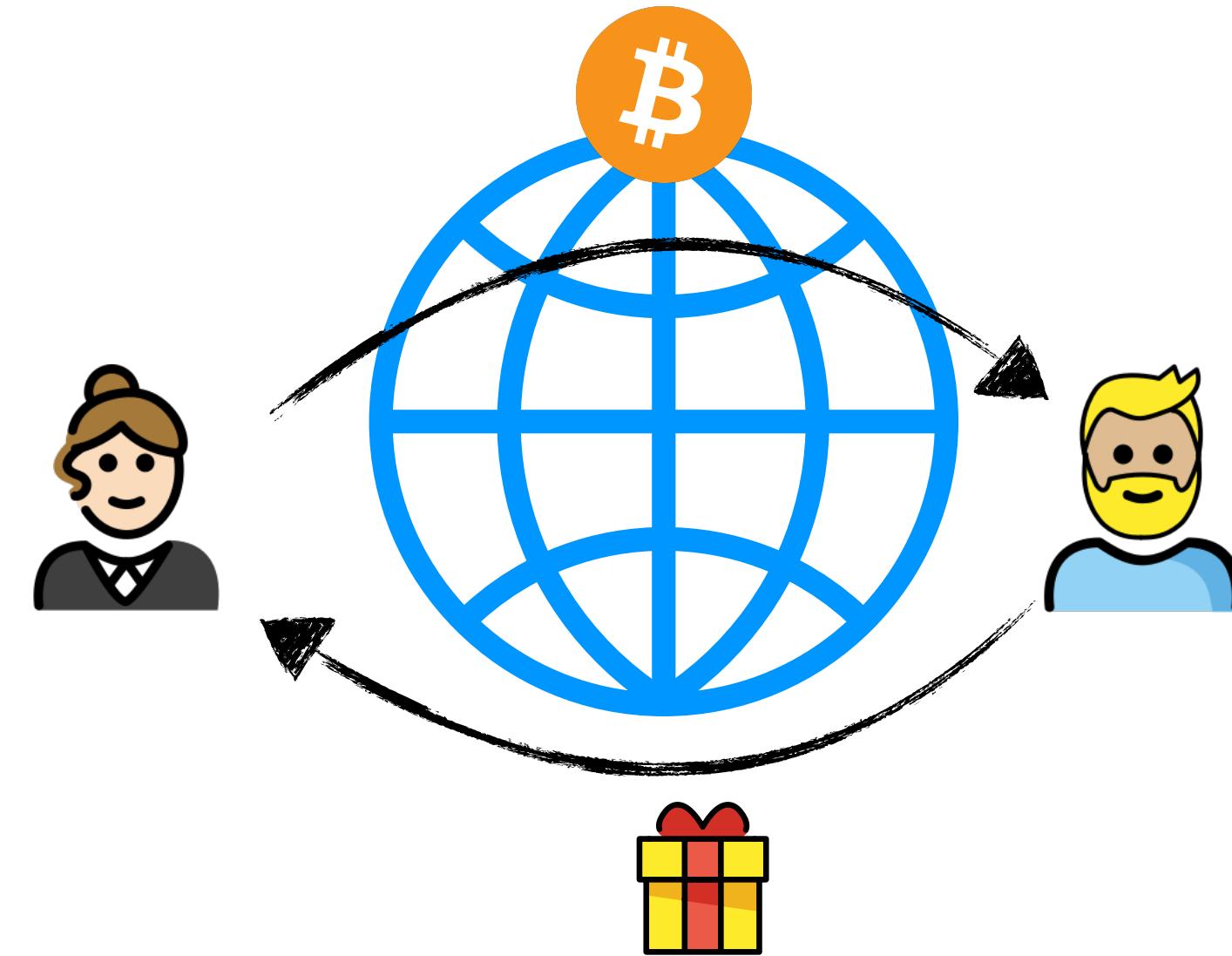


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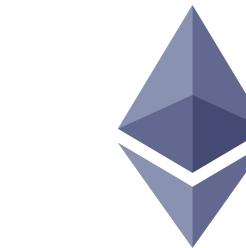


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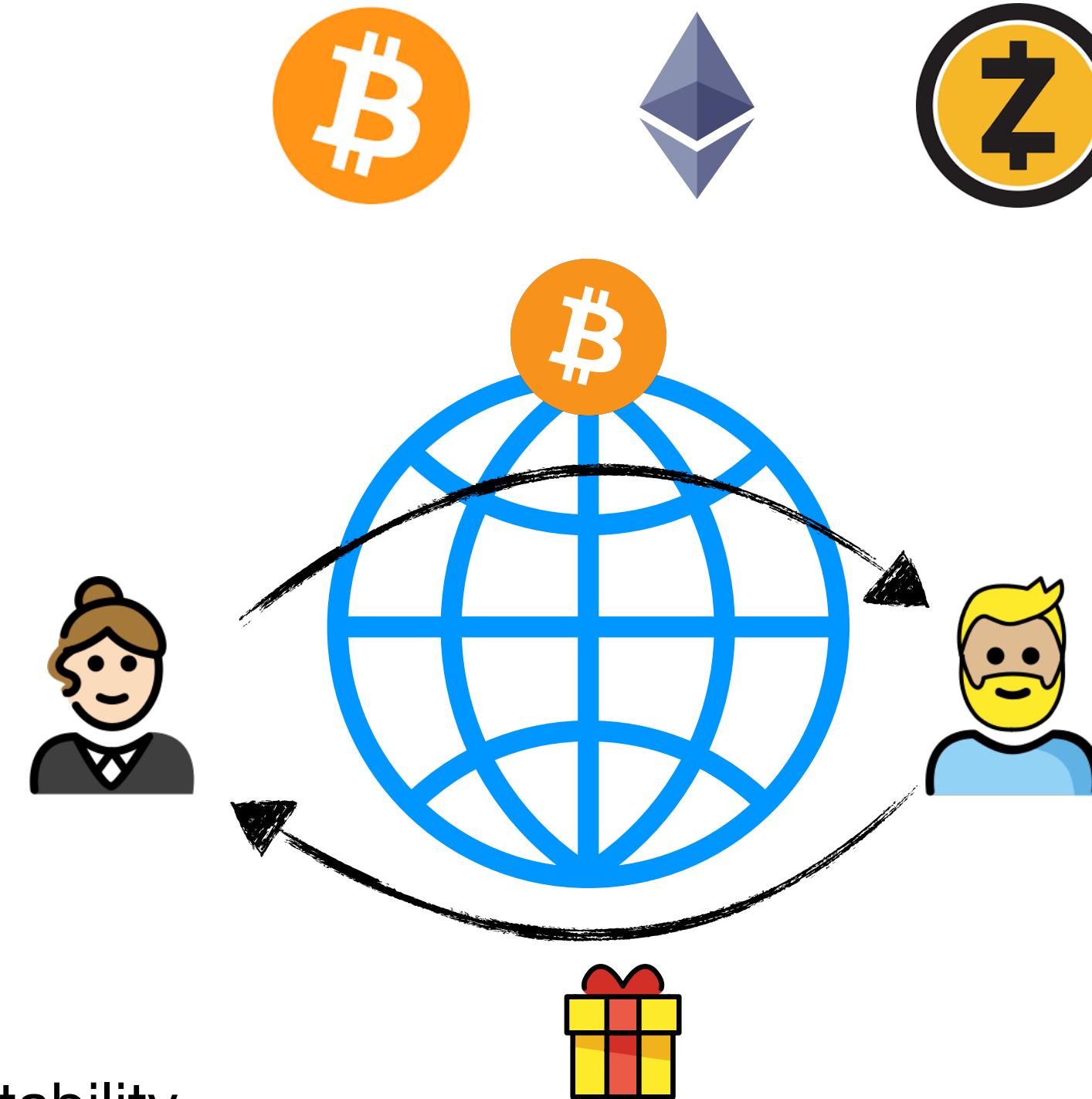


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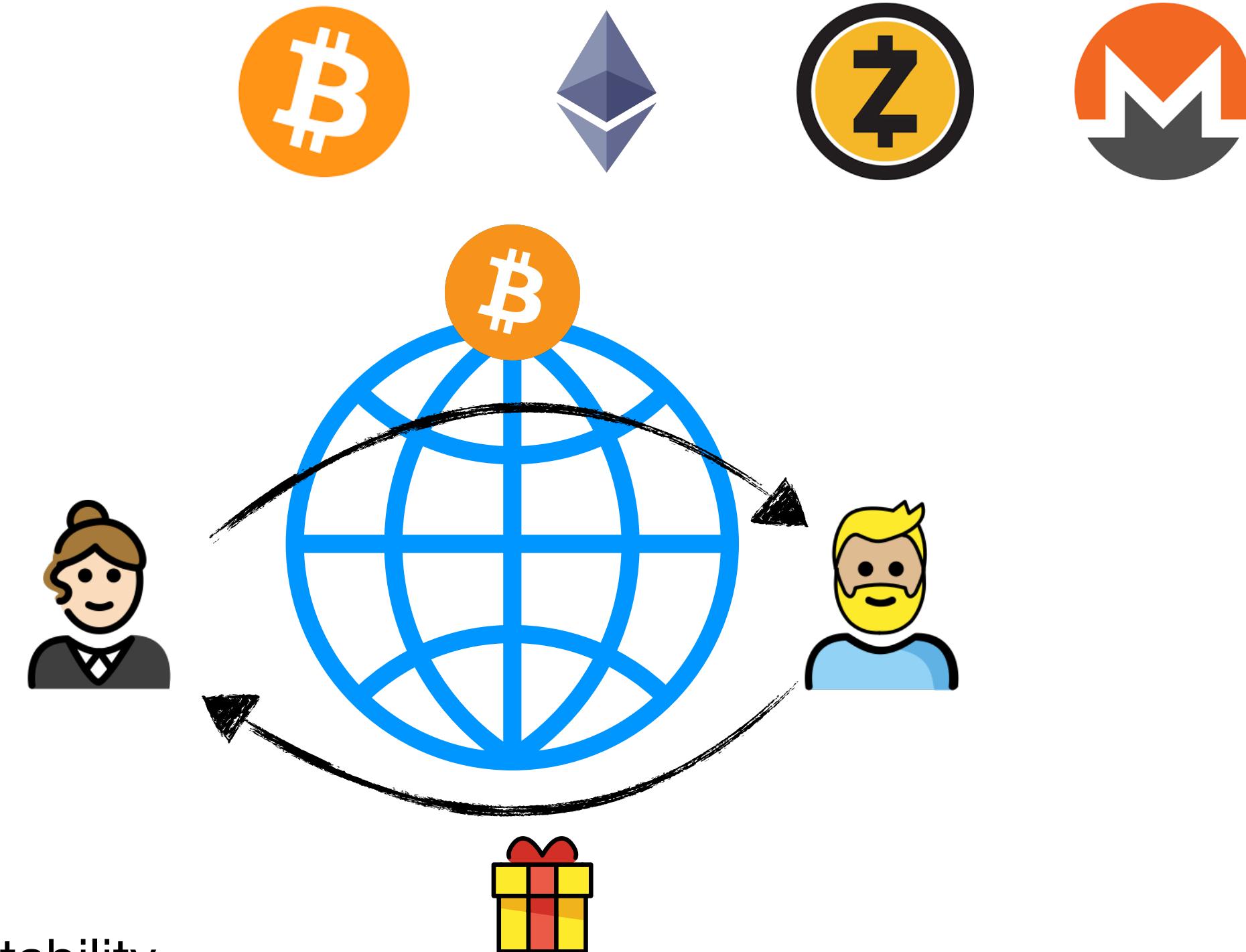


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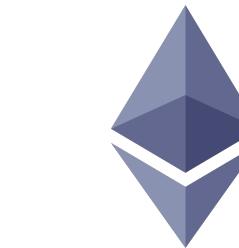
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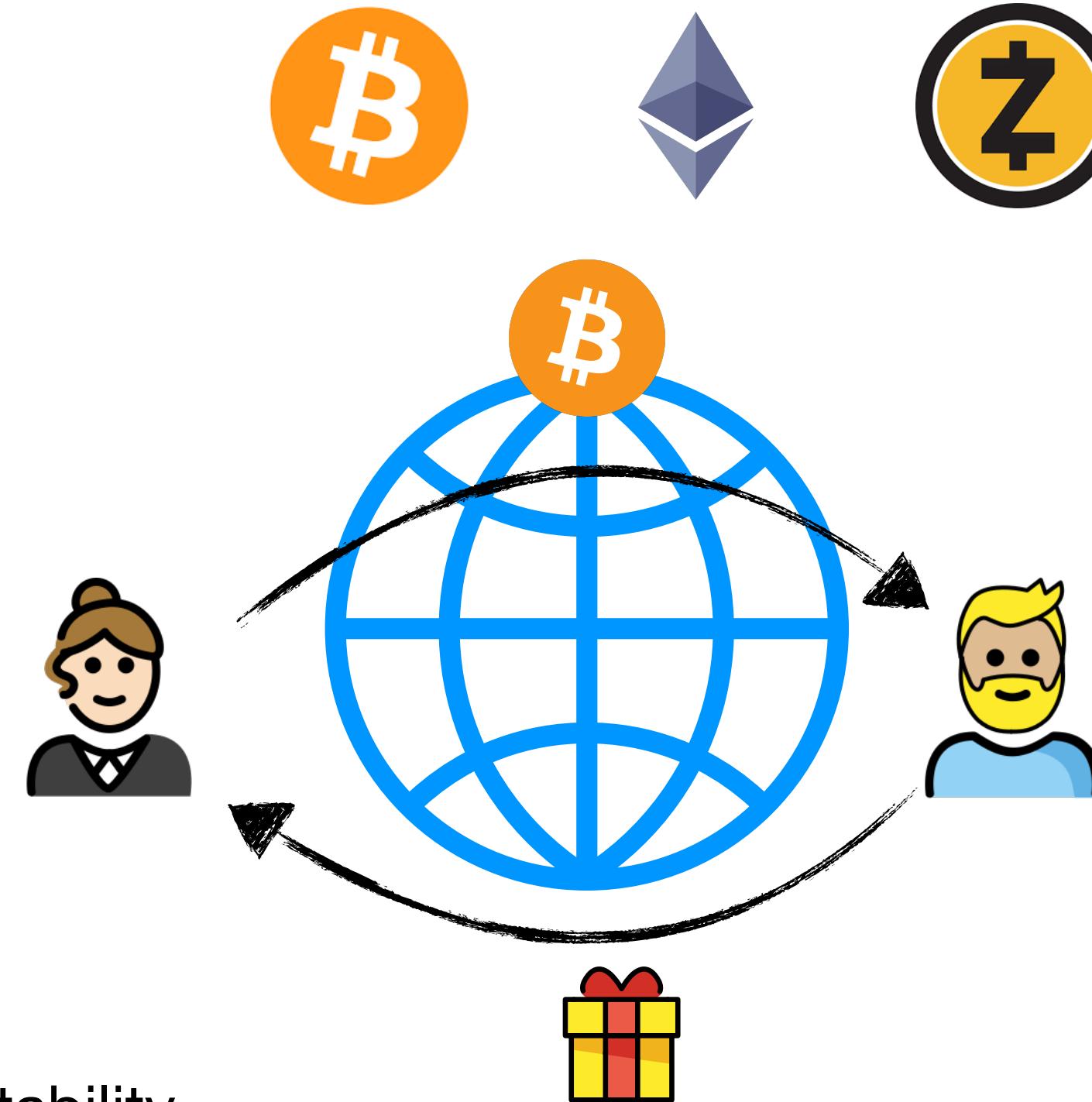
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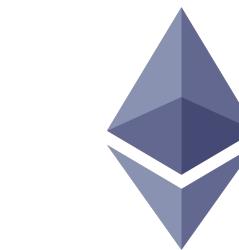
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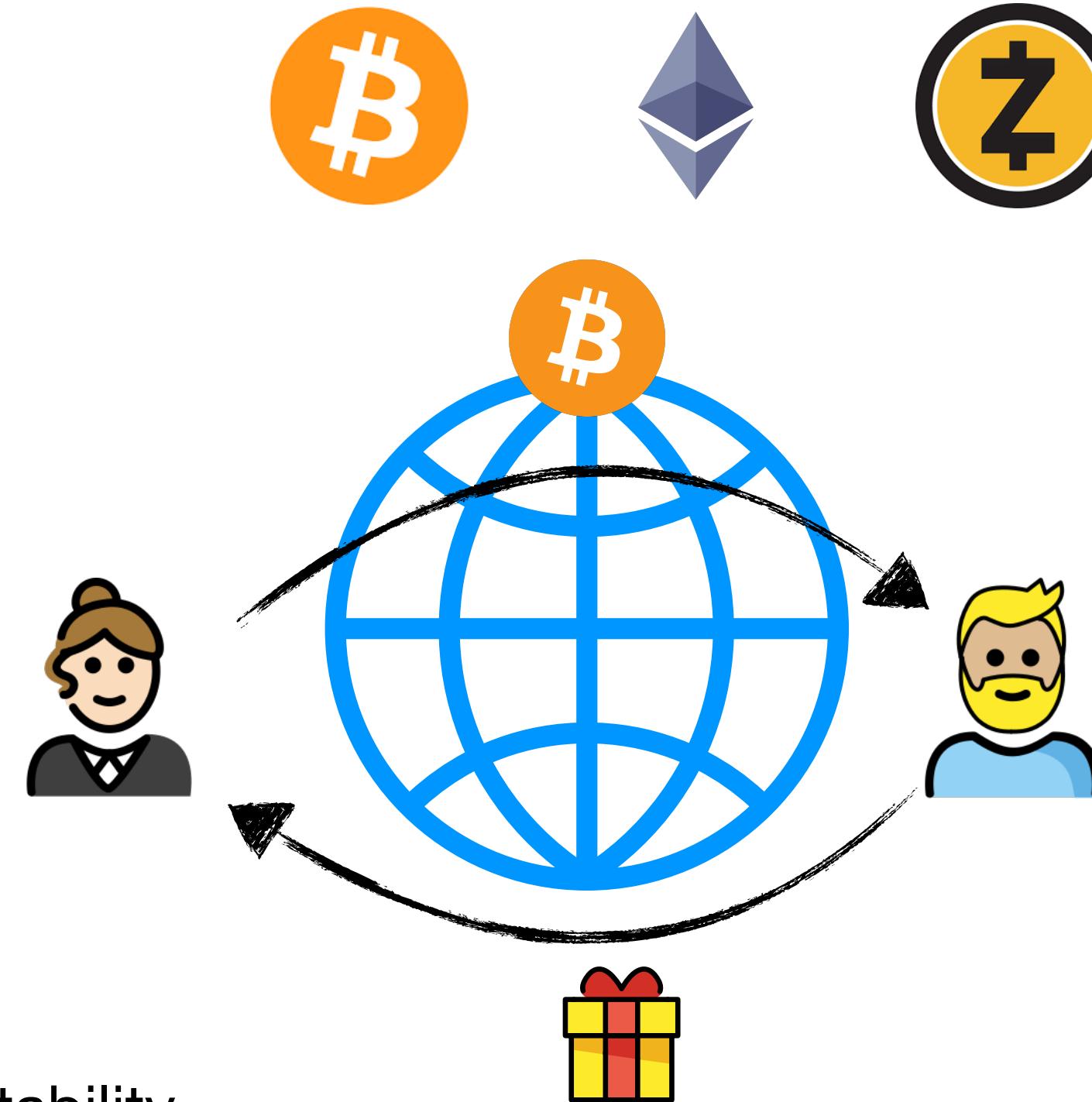
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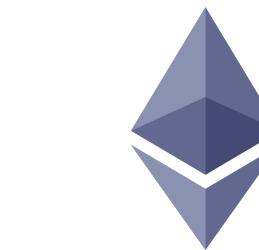
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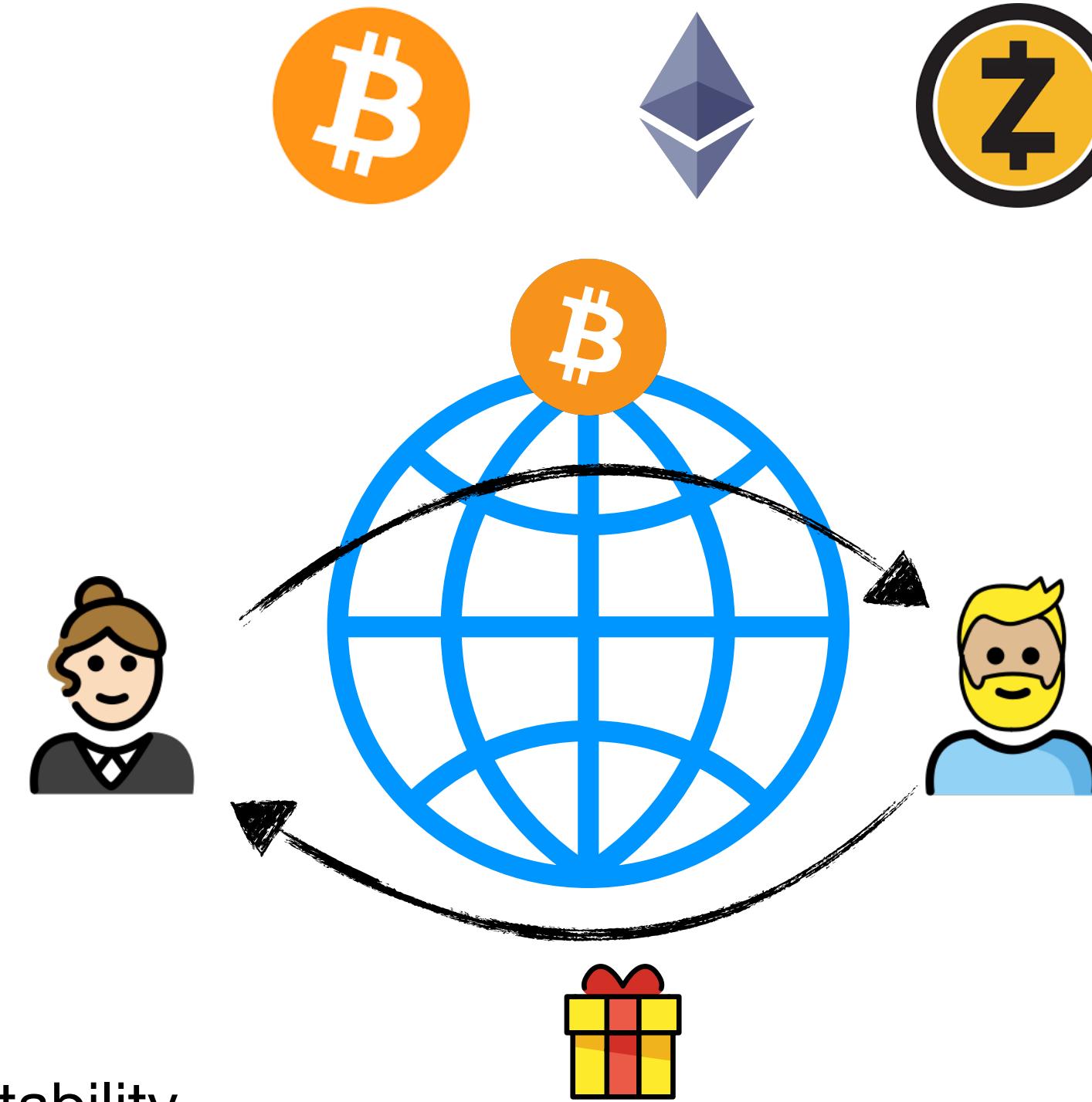
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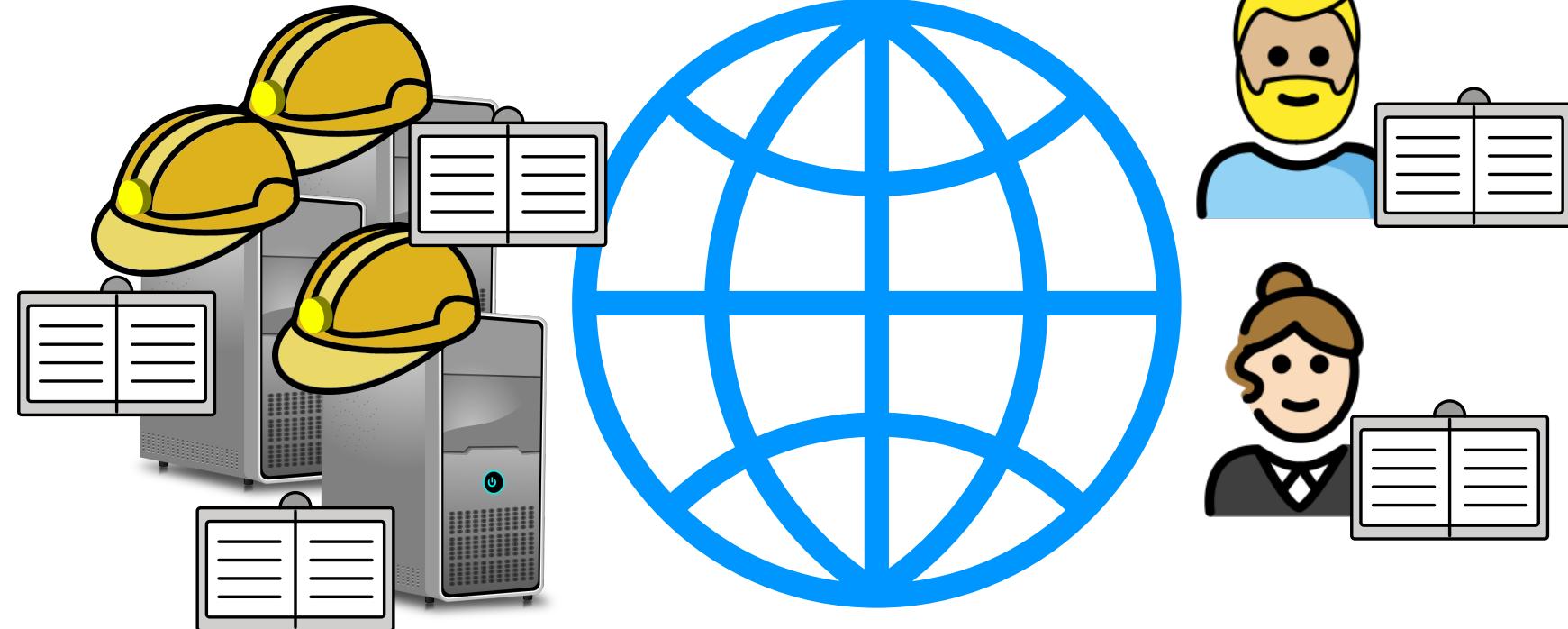
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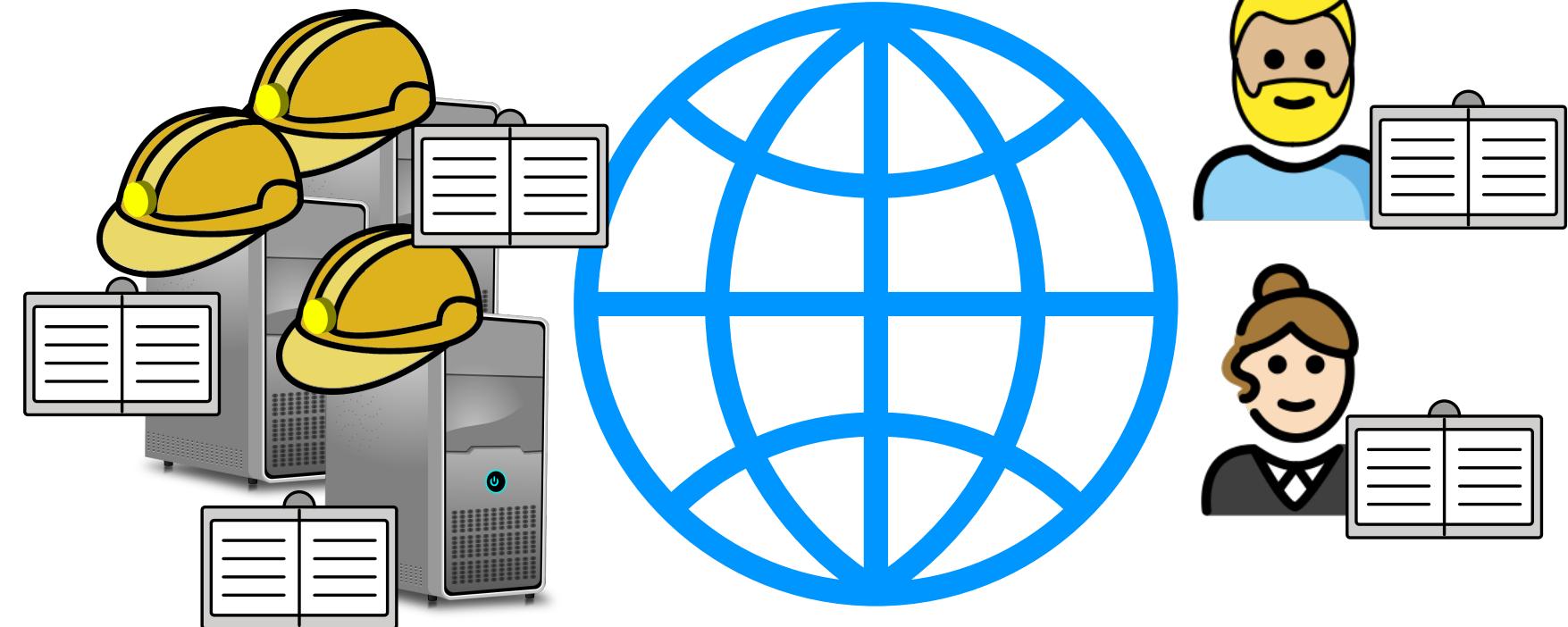
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## Main challenges

- 1) How to create a digital bulletin board (distributed ledger)?
- 2) How to agree on ONE ledger view (finality layer)?
- 3) How to create money?
- 4) How to prevent double-spending?

# Bitcoin.org hack nets giveaway scammers \$17,000 overnight

Adam Bannister 24 September 2021 at 13:28 UTC

Updated: 05 October 2021 at 08:36 UTC

Social Engineering

Cryptocurrency

Cybercrime



*Open source project back online after fraudsters dangled double-your-money lure*

# Cryptocurrency funds removed from 6,000 Coinbase accounts due to flaw in SMS authentication

Jessica Haworth 04 October 2021 at 14:09 UTC

Updated: 06 October 2021 at 13:21 UTC

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# Lecture Agenda

## How To Set Up a Bulletin Board

- Hash Functions
- Proof of Work (Cryptographic Puzzles)
- Example: Bitcoin

## How To Generate Money

- Mining Blocks
- Merkle Trees
- Block Reward System

## How To Circulate Money

- Transactions
- ECDSA

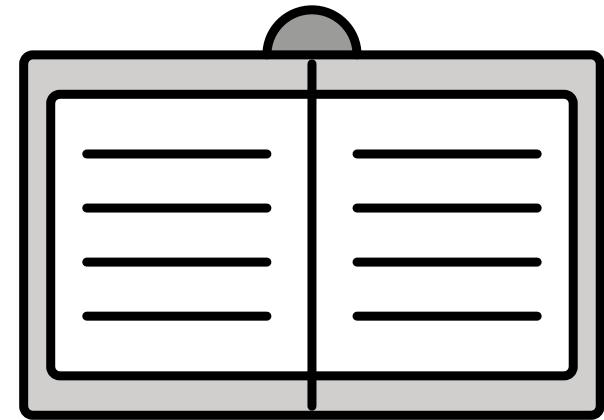
## Some Problems With Blockchains

- Freshness of the Genesis Block
- 51% Attack
- Proof of Work VS Proof of Stake

## Advanced Tools

- Proofs of Knowledge
- zkSNARKs
- MPC

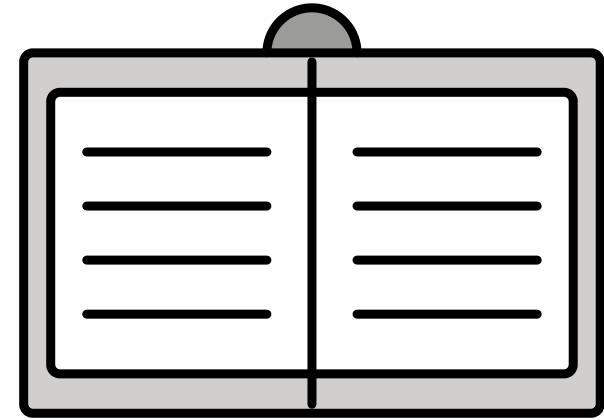
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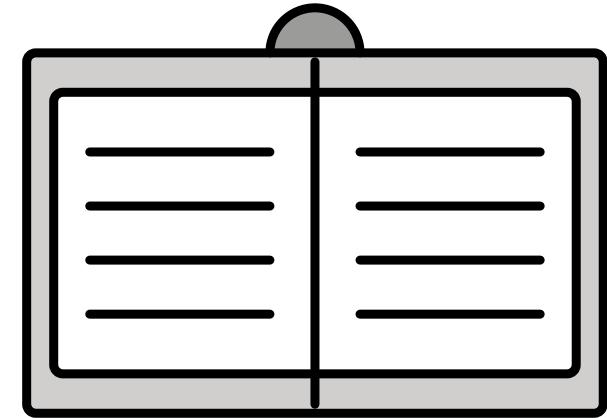
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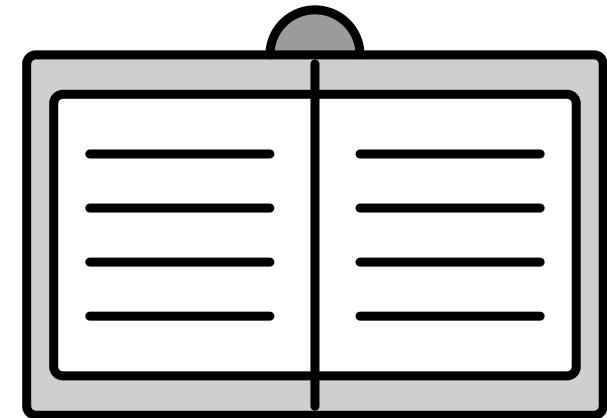
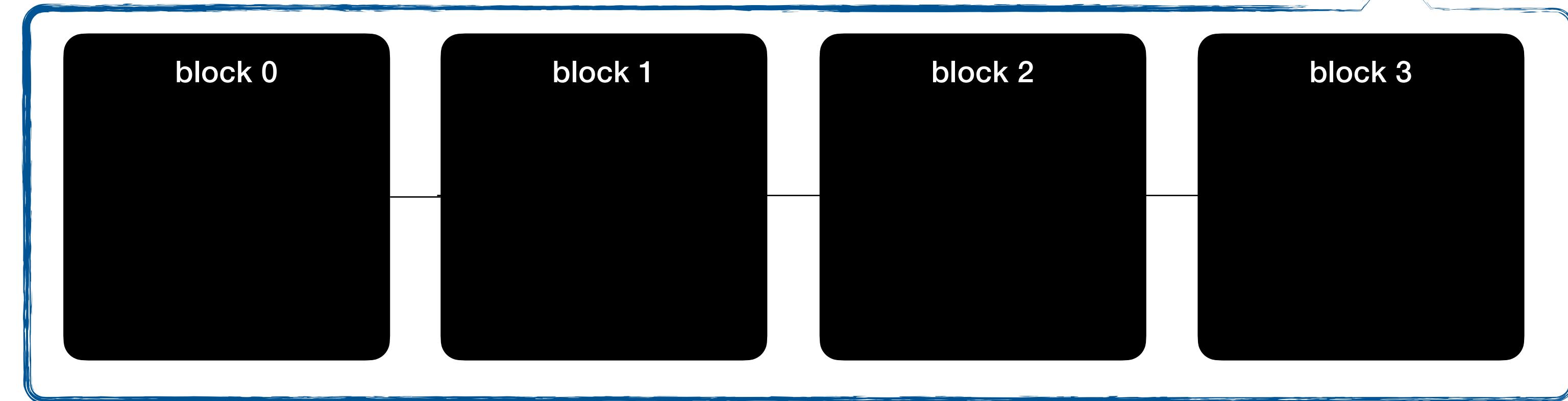
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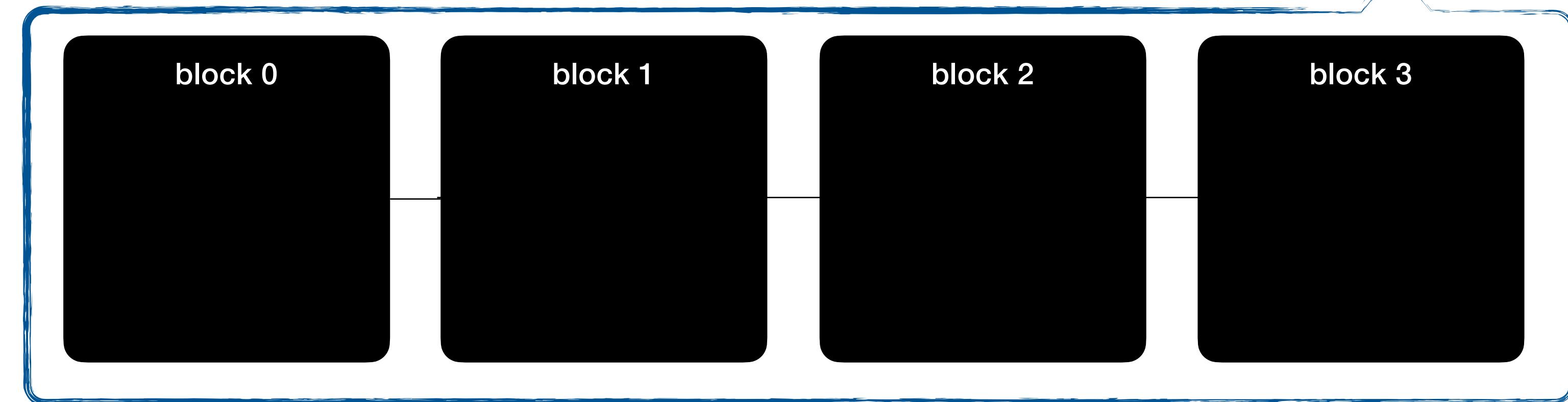
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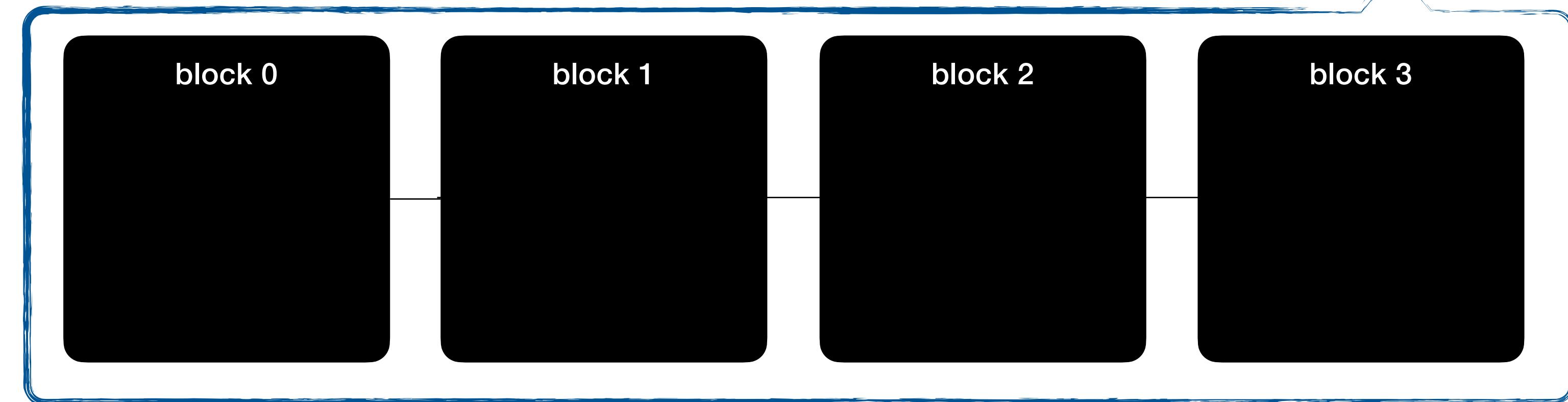


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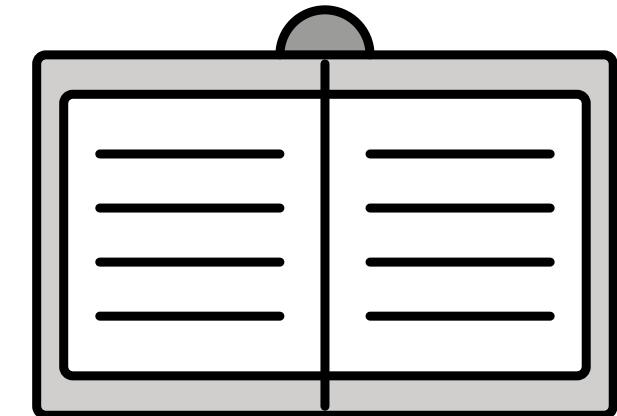
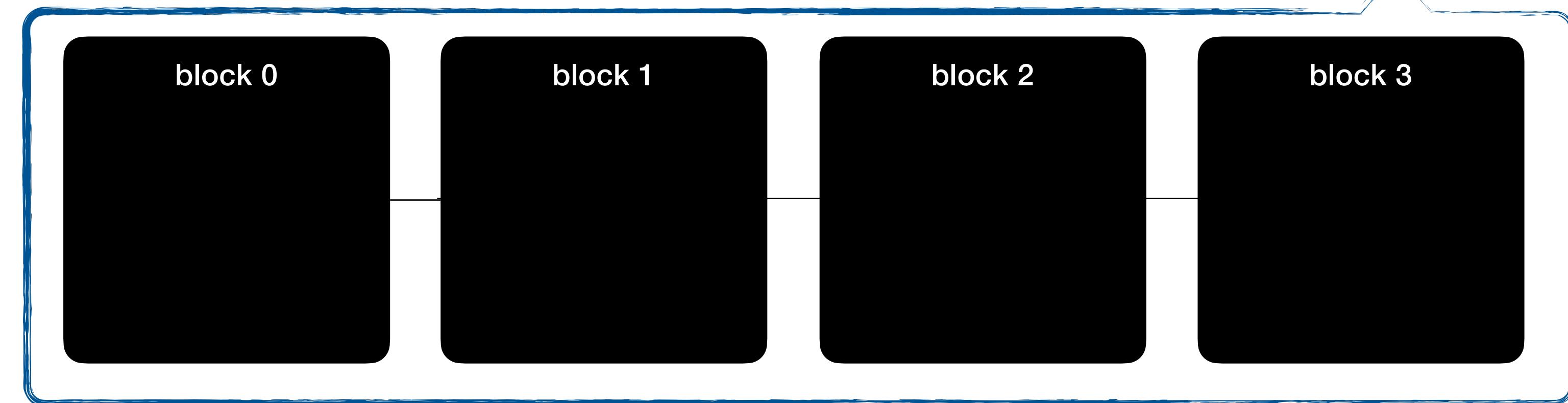


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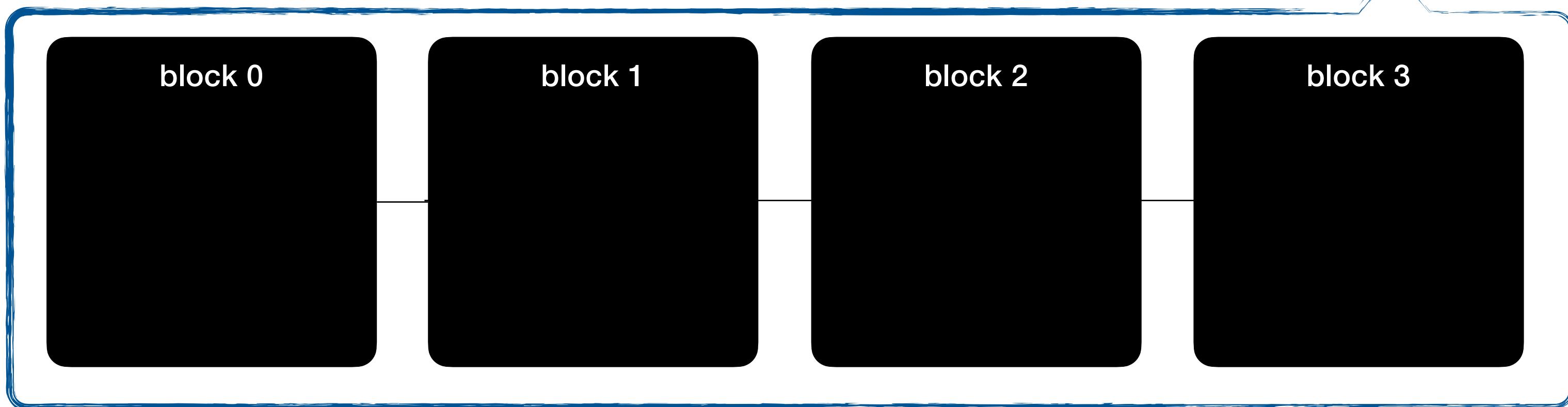
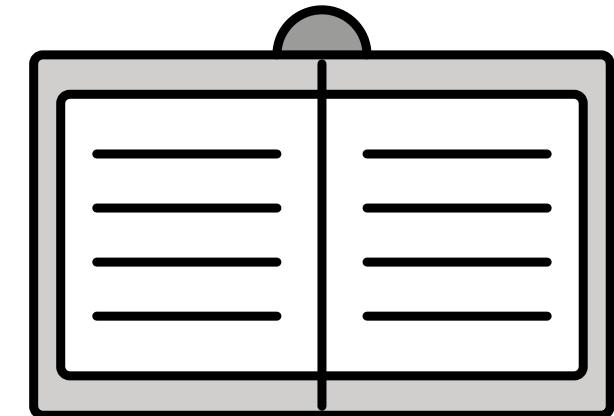


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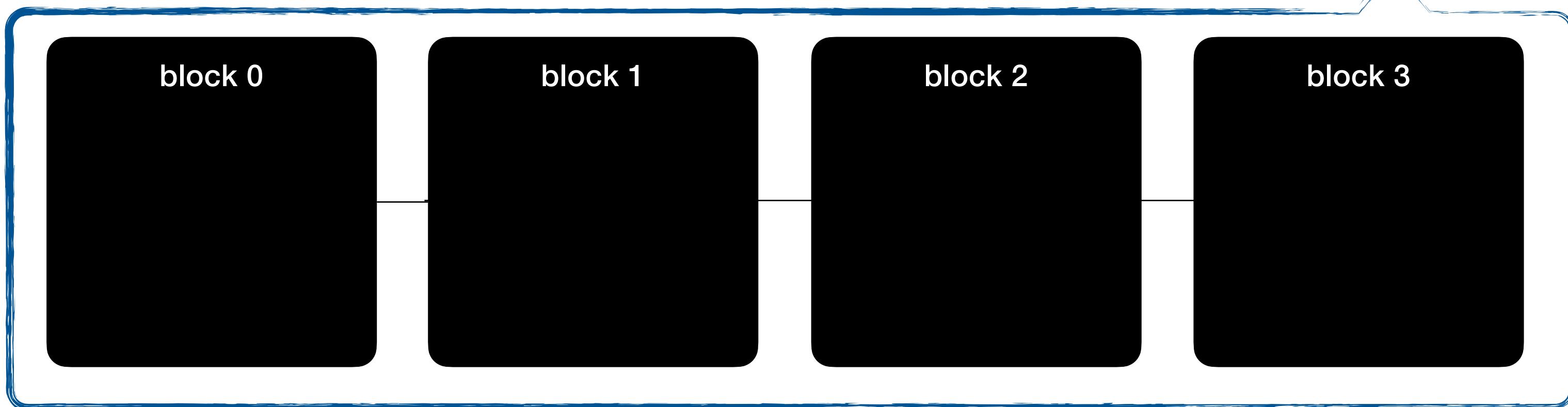
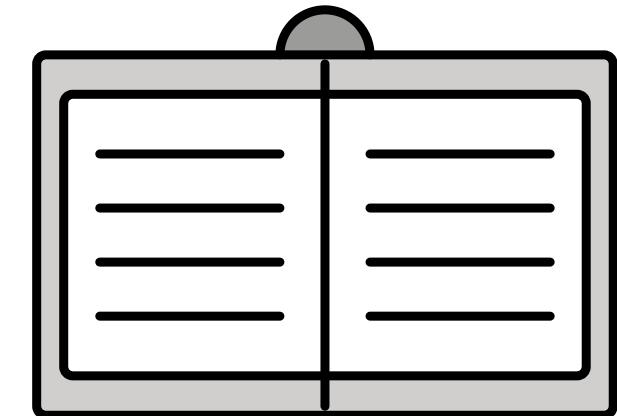


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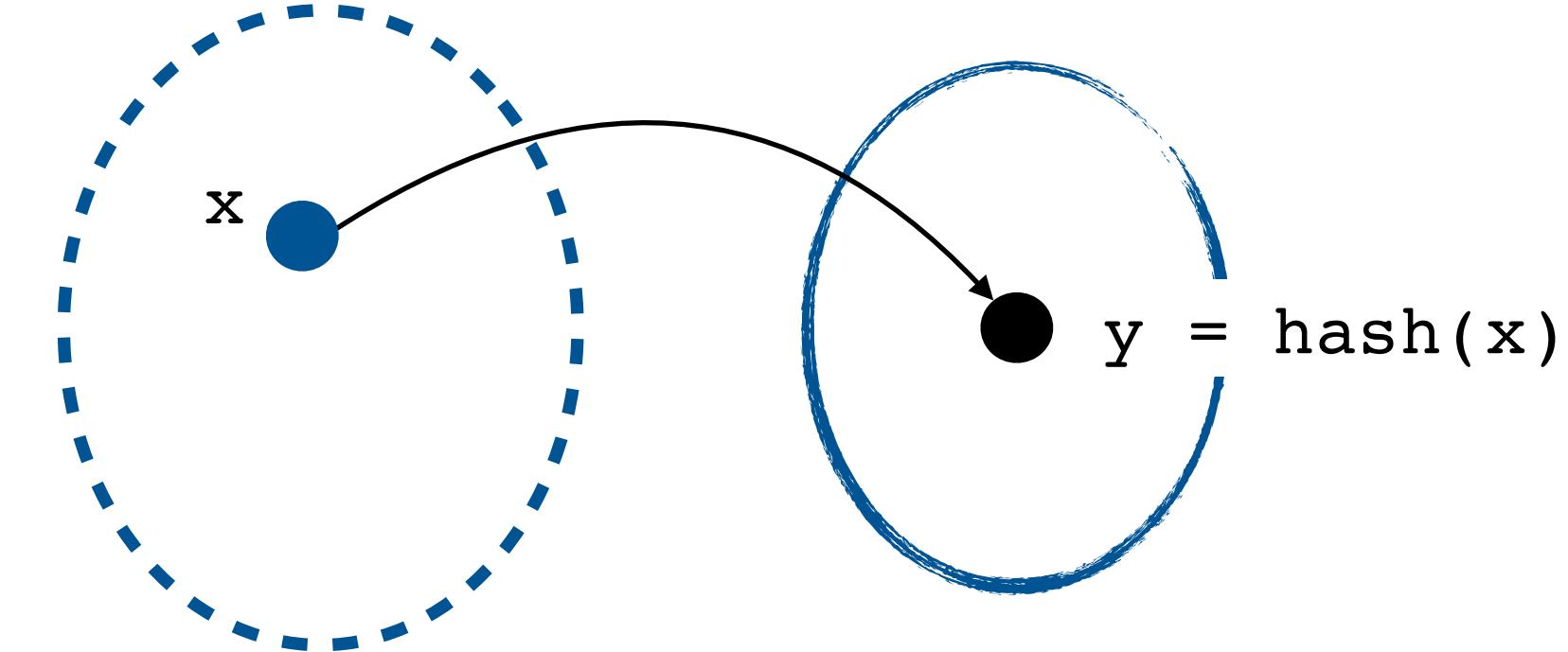


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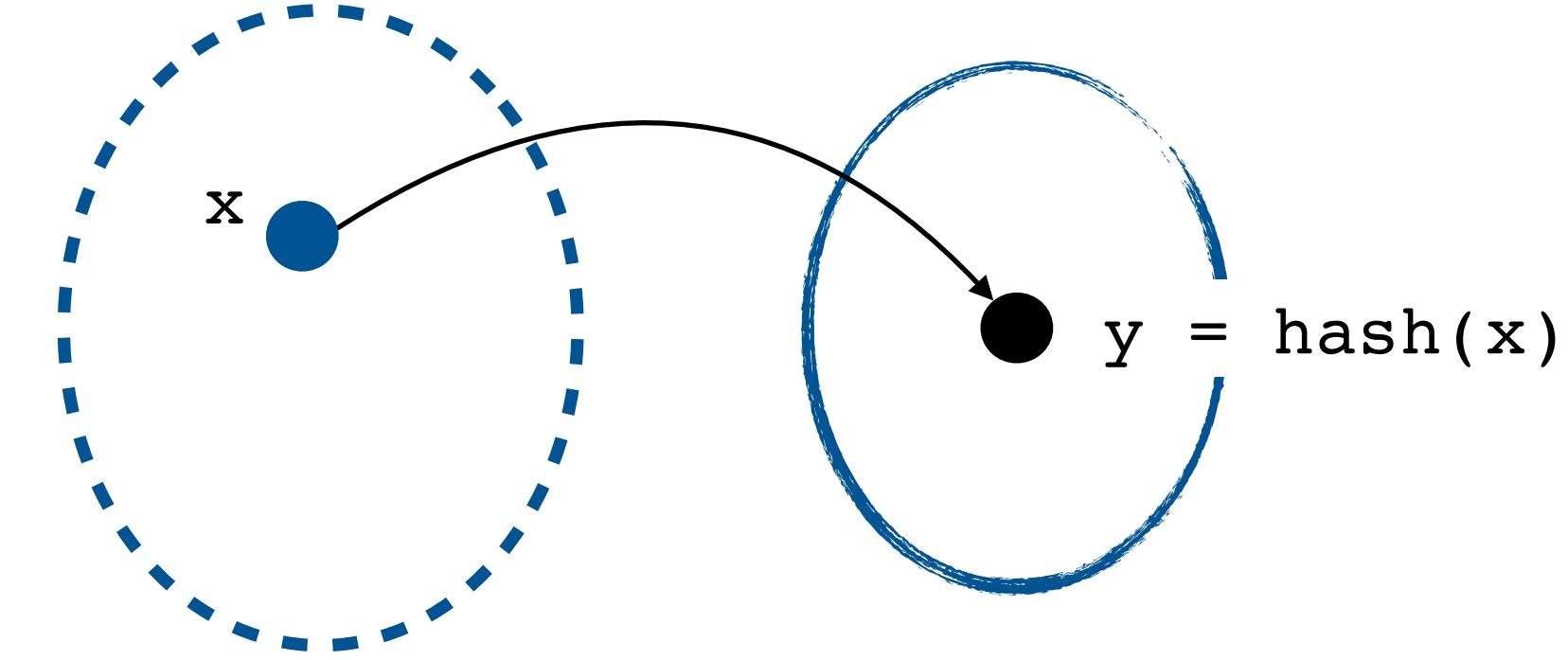
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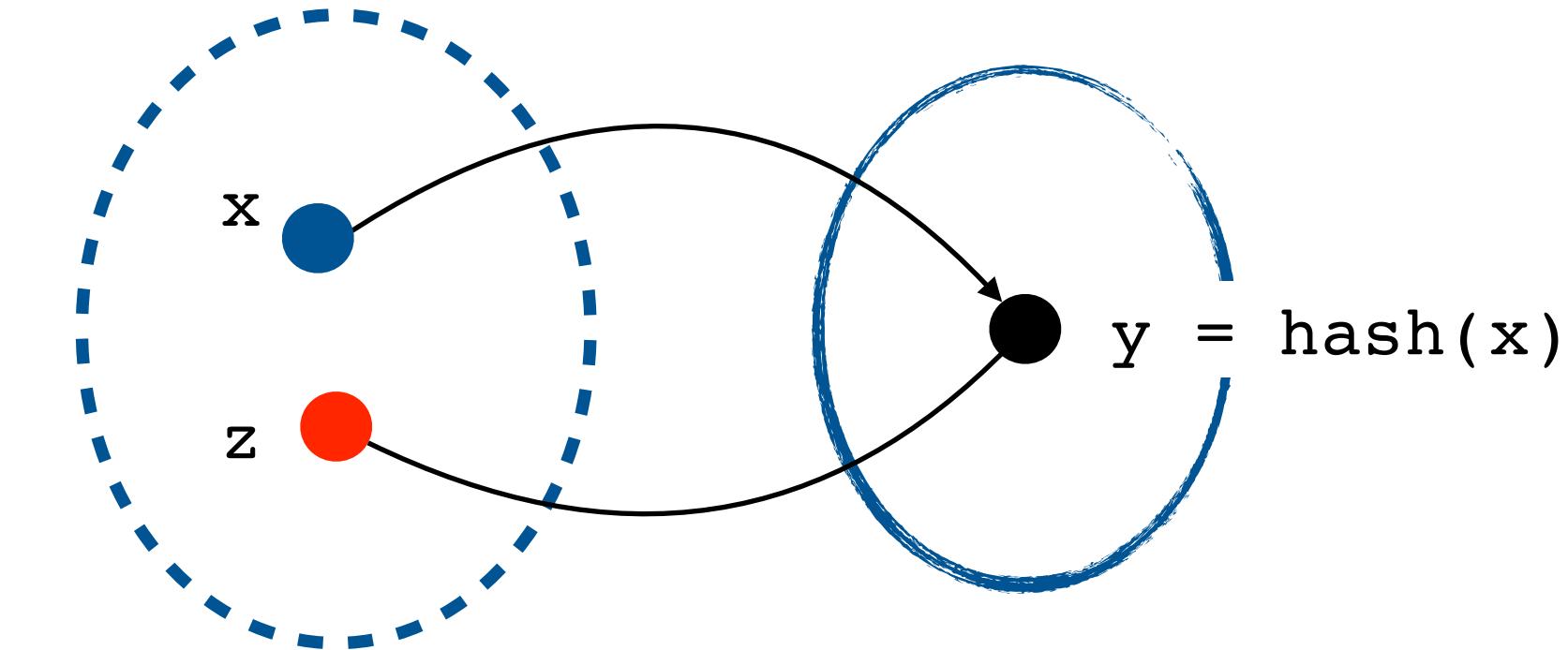
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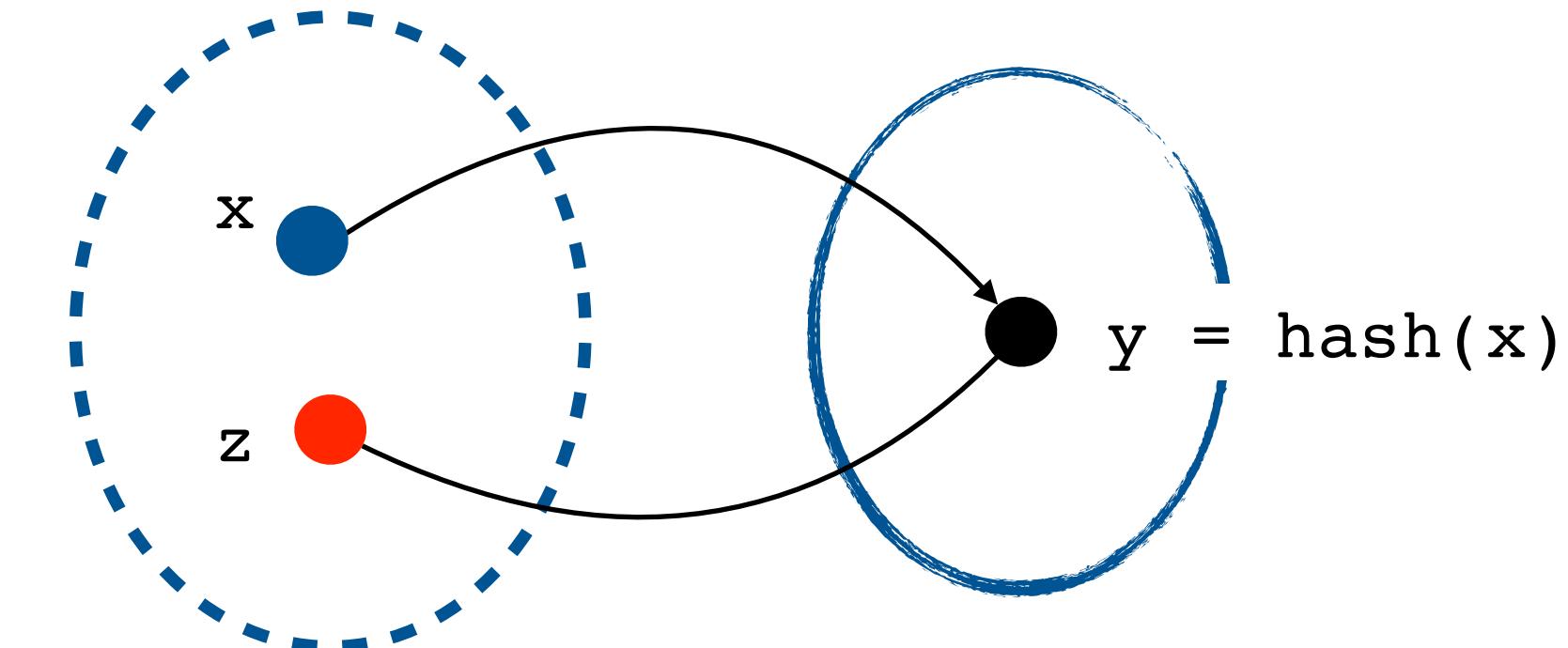
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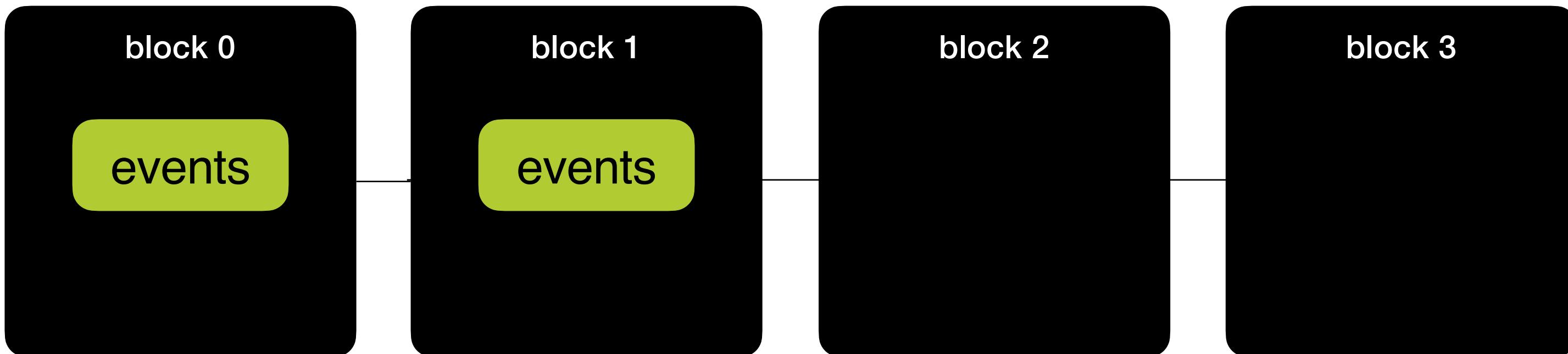
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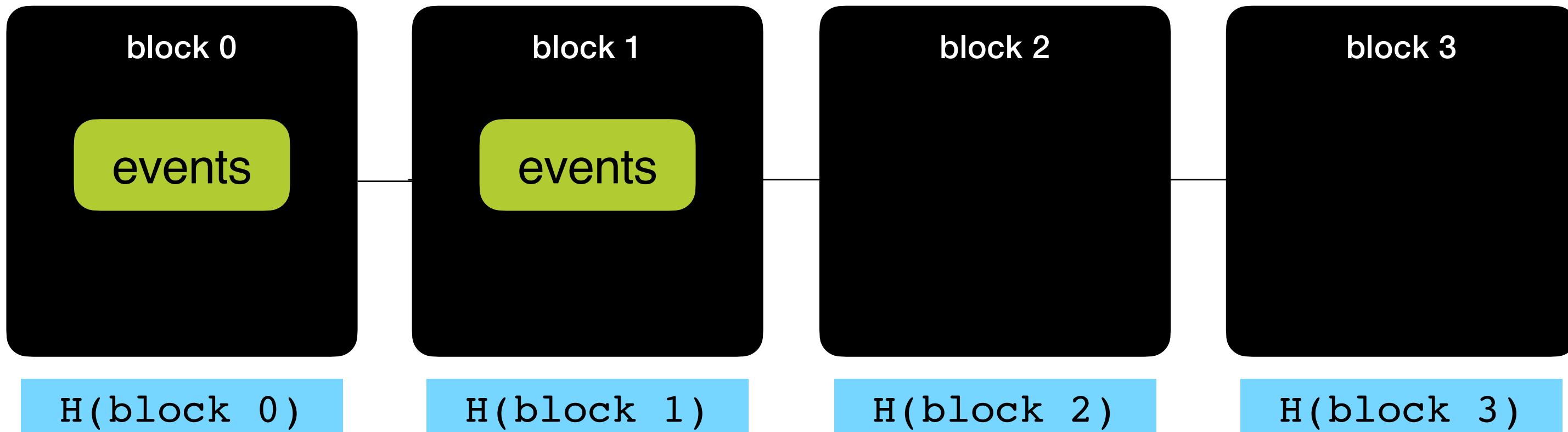
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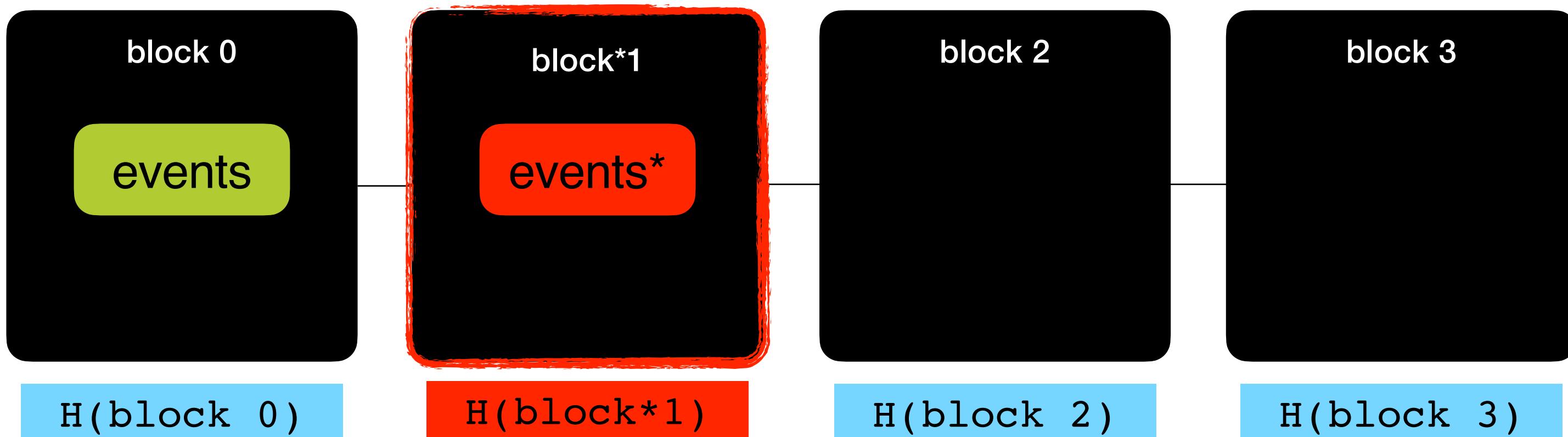
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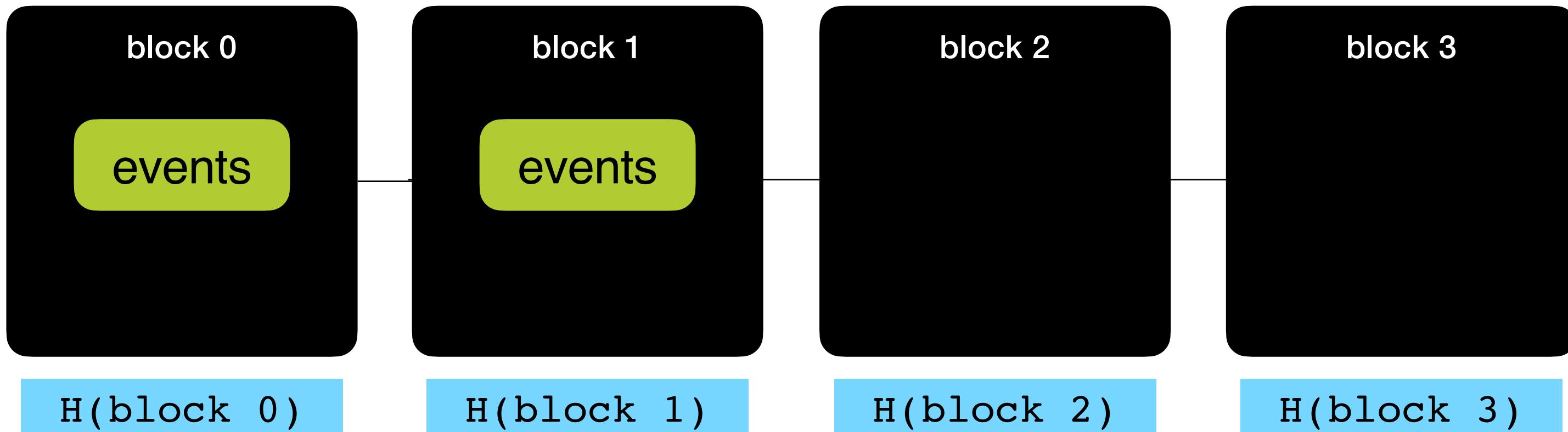
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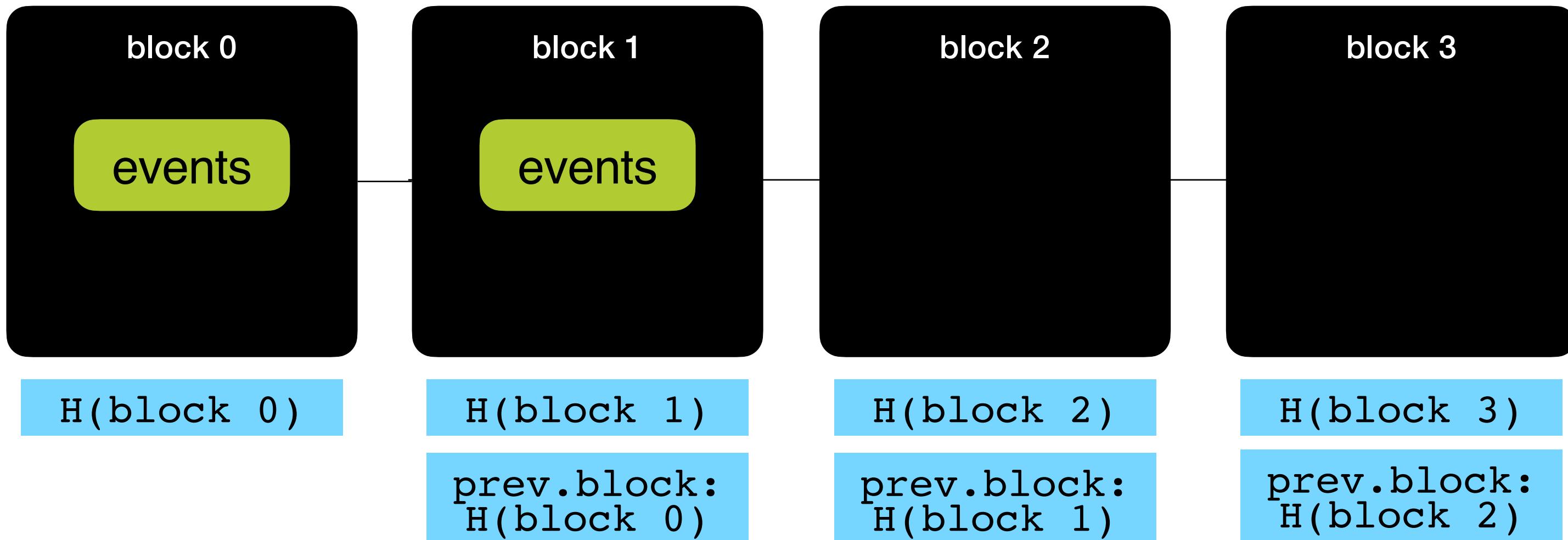
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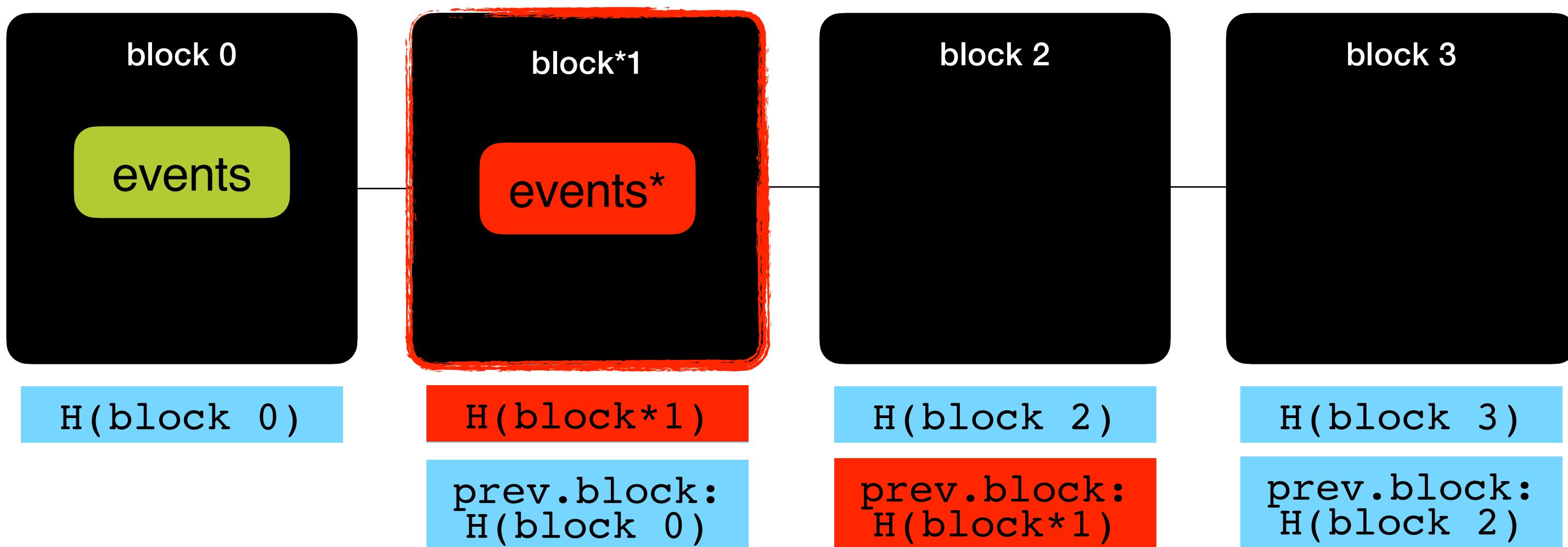
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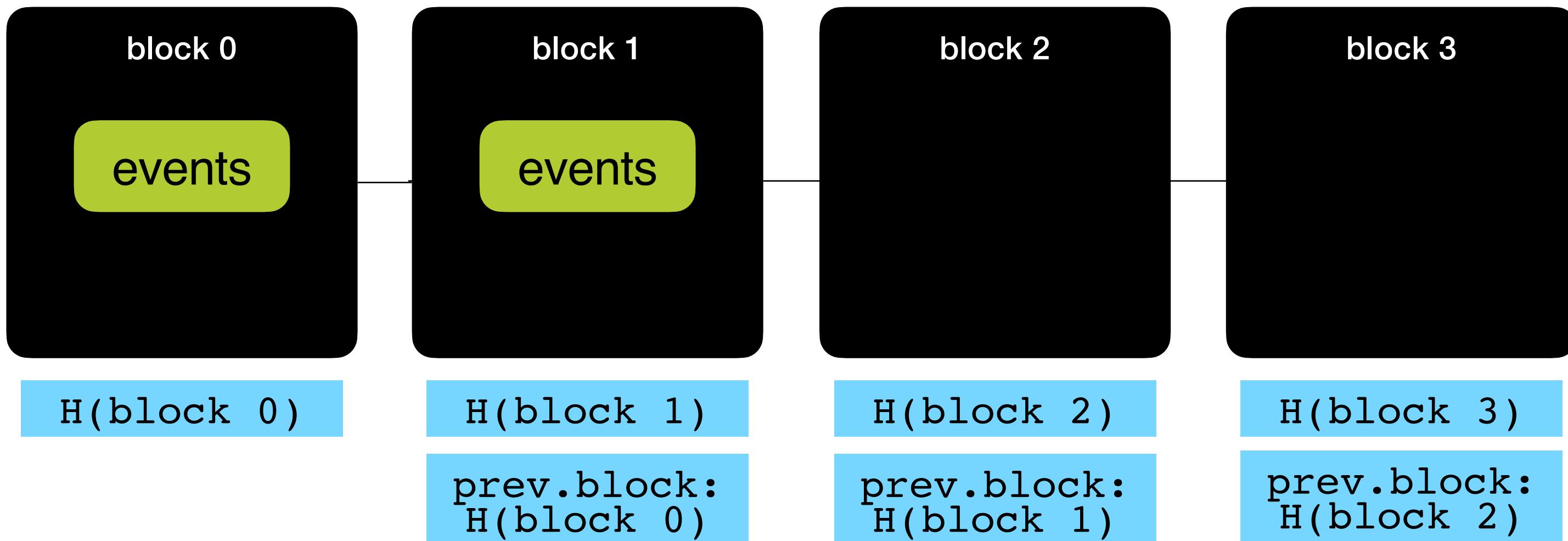
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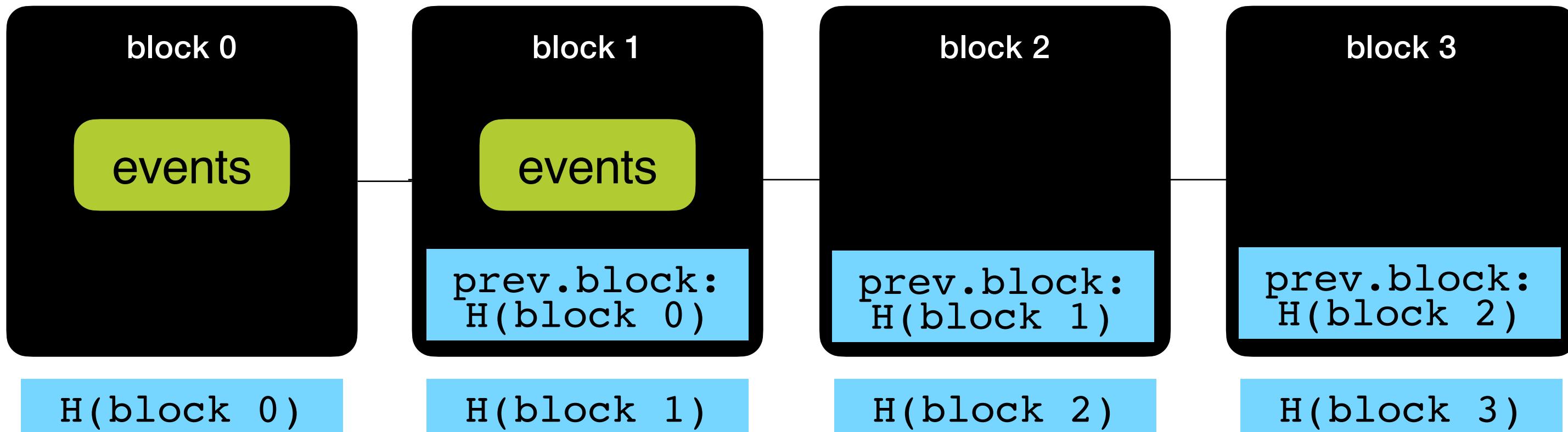
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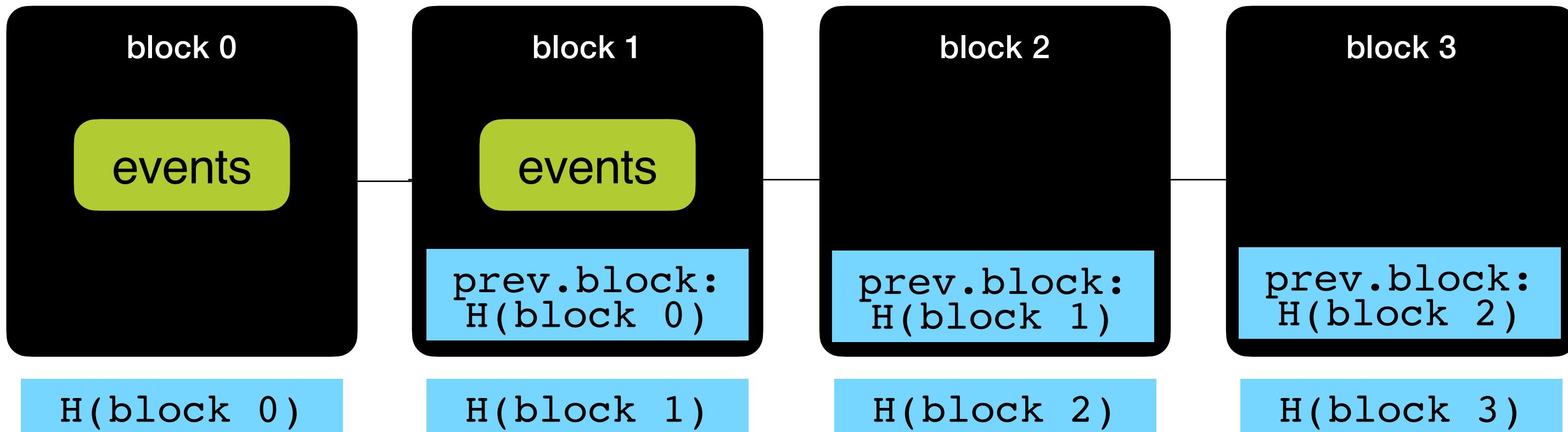
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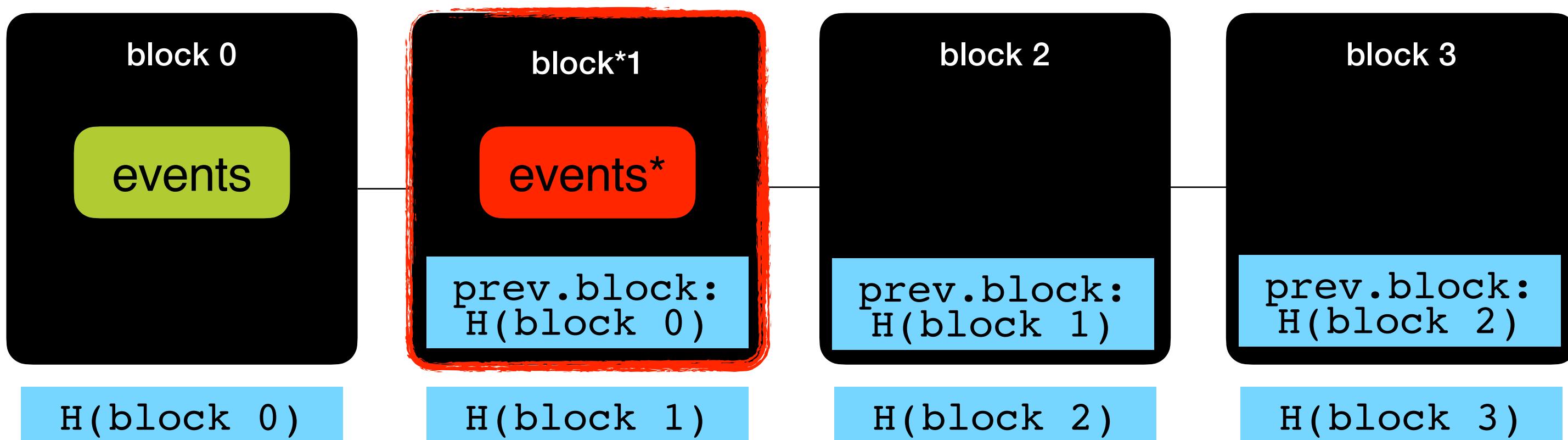
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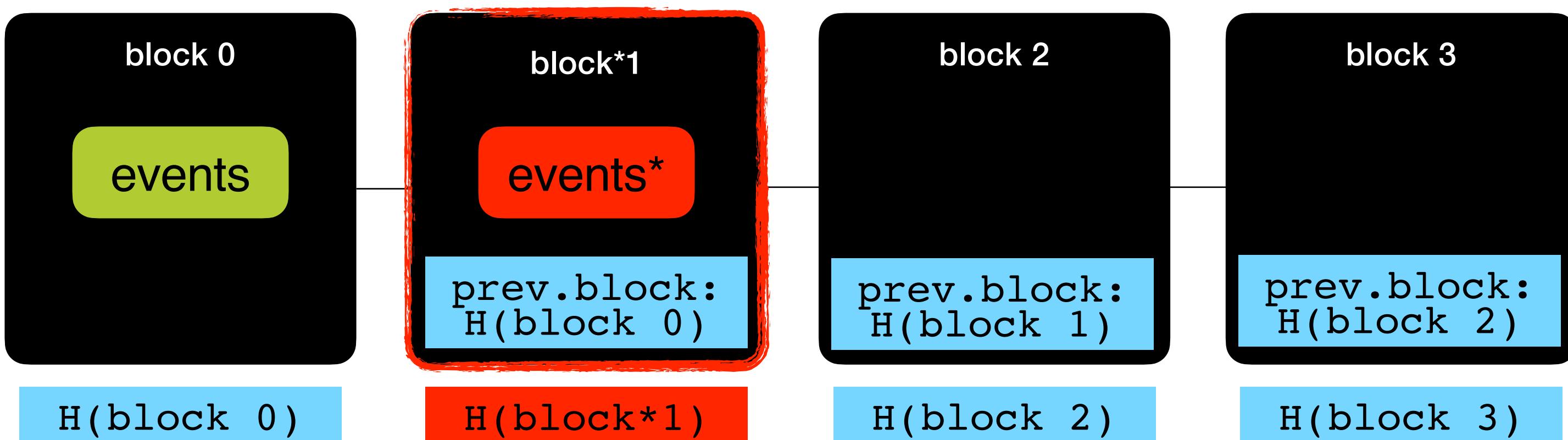
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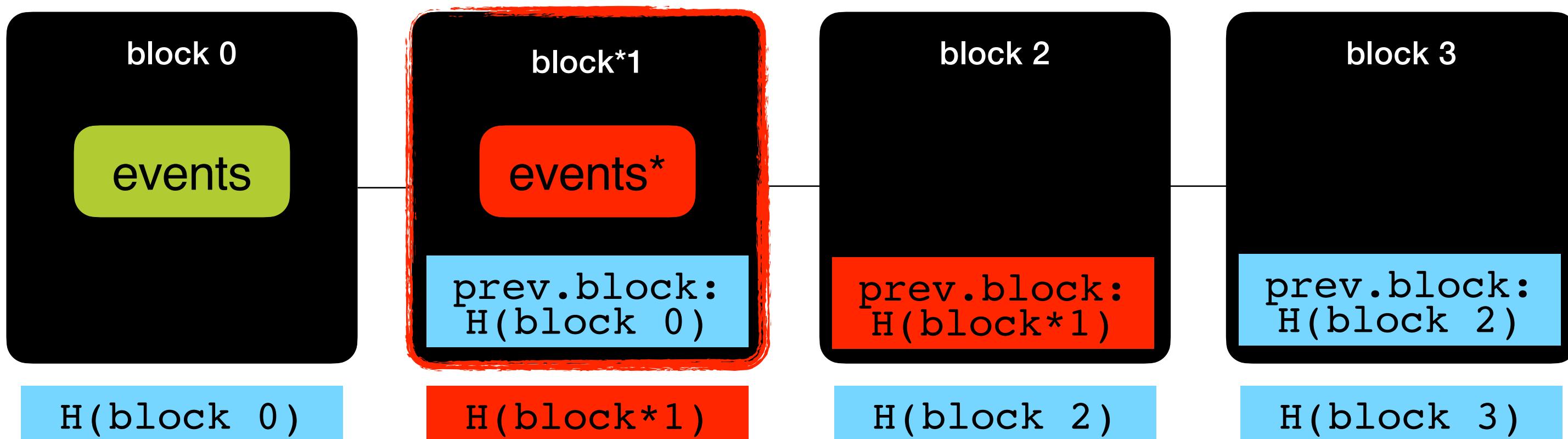
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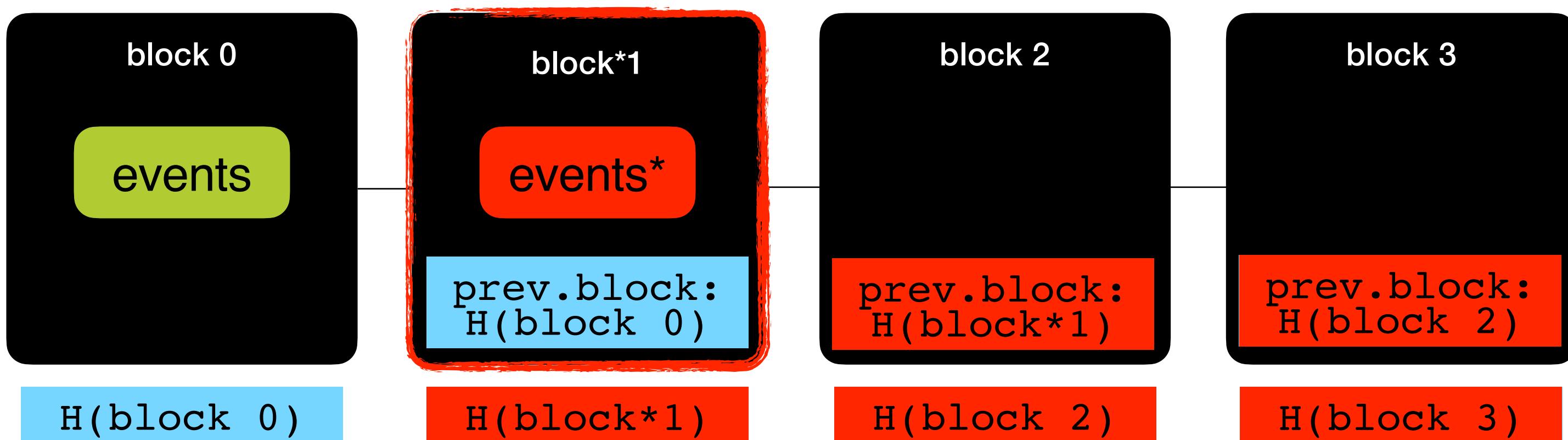
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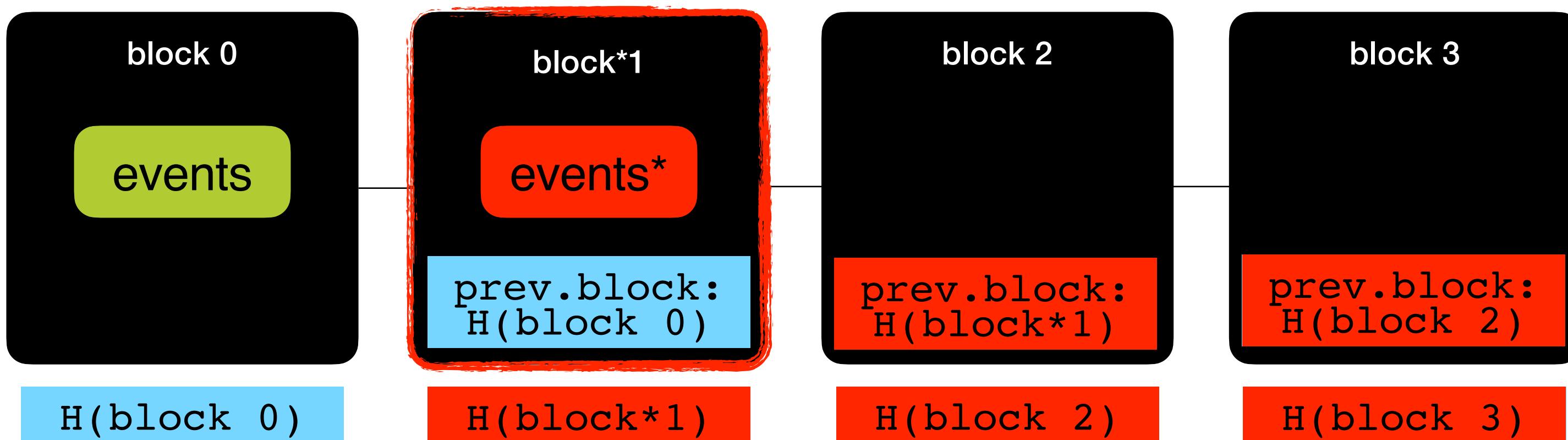
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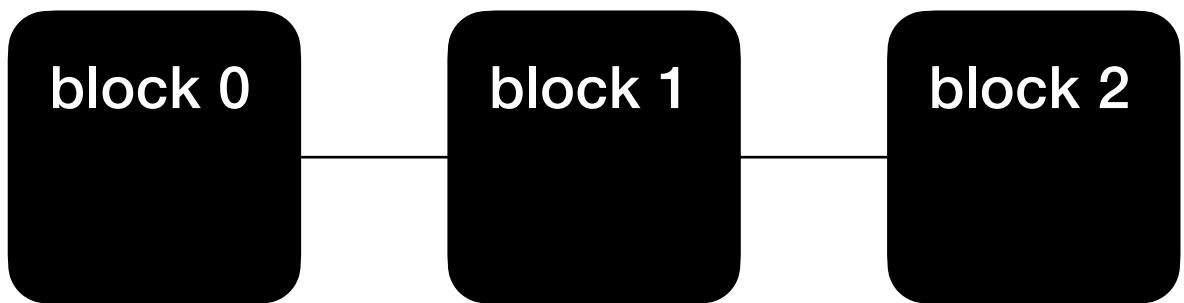


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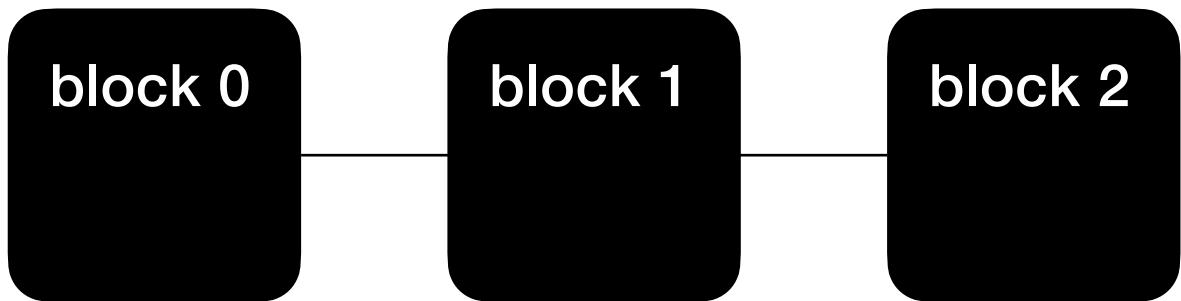
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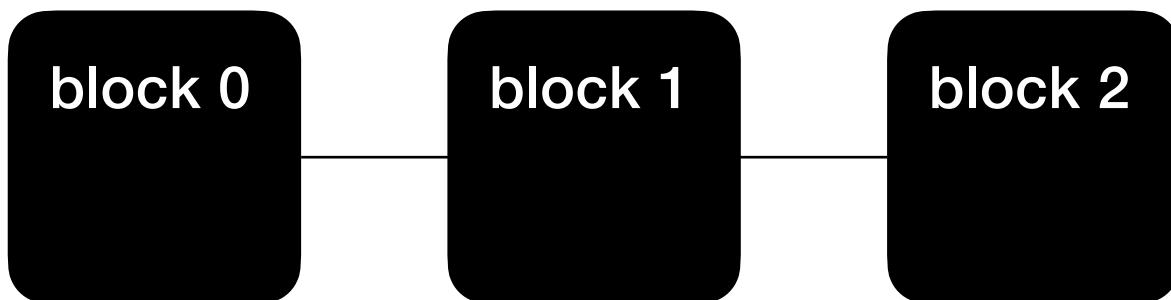
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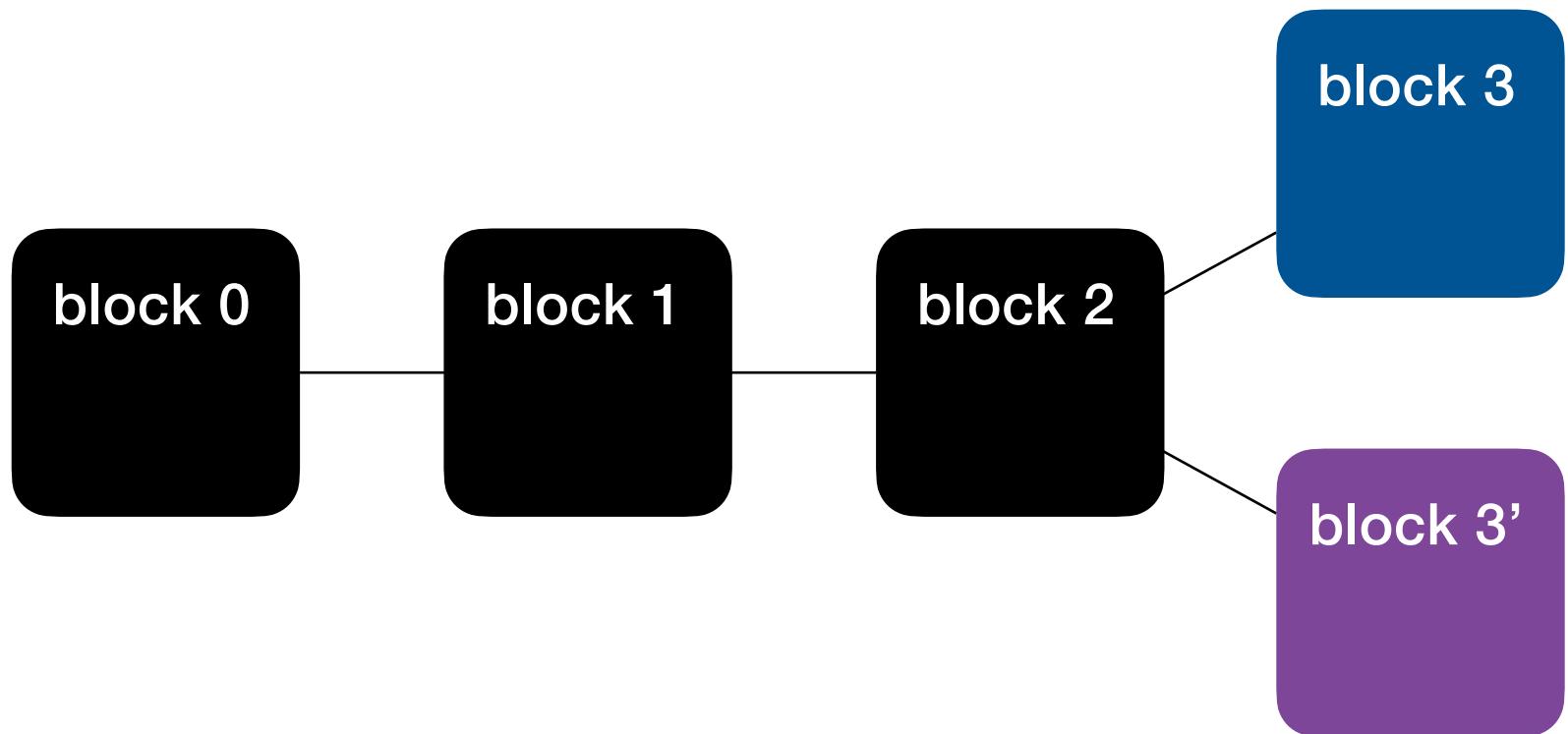


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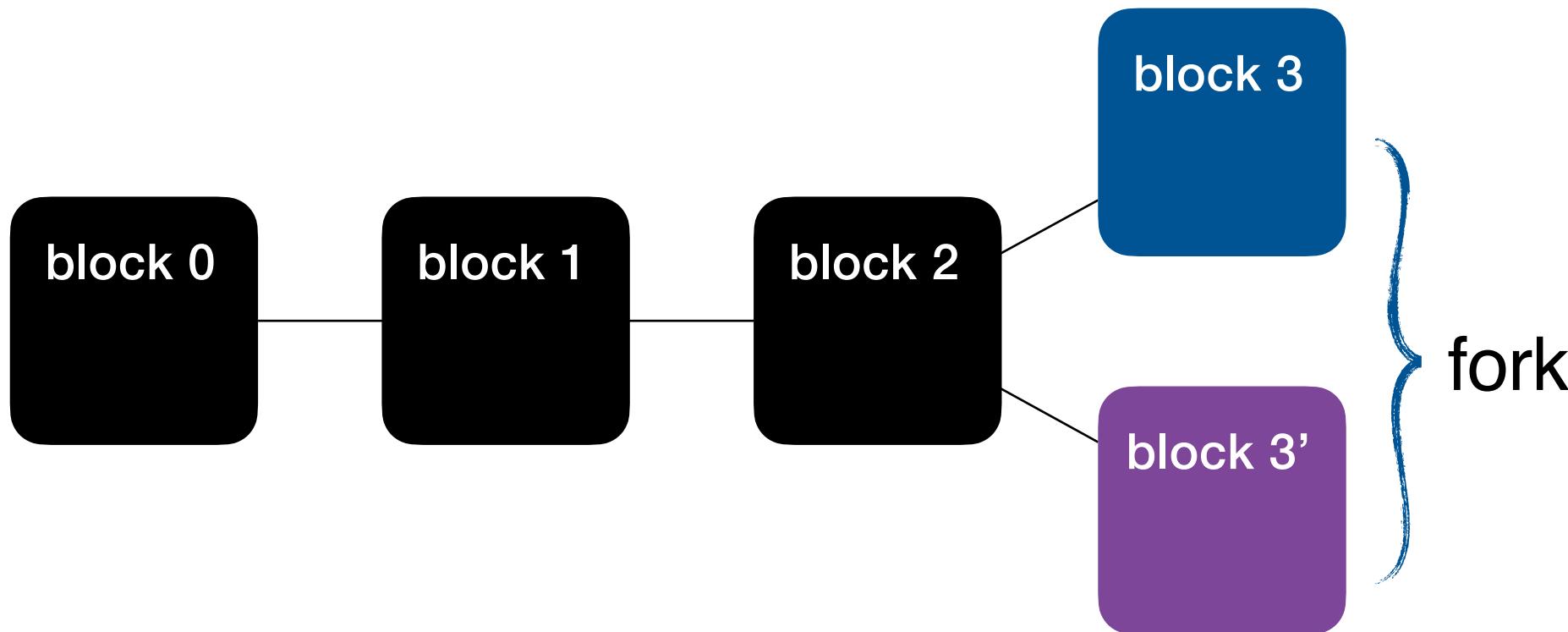


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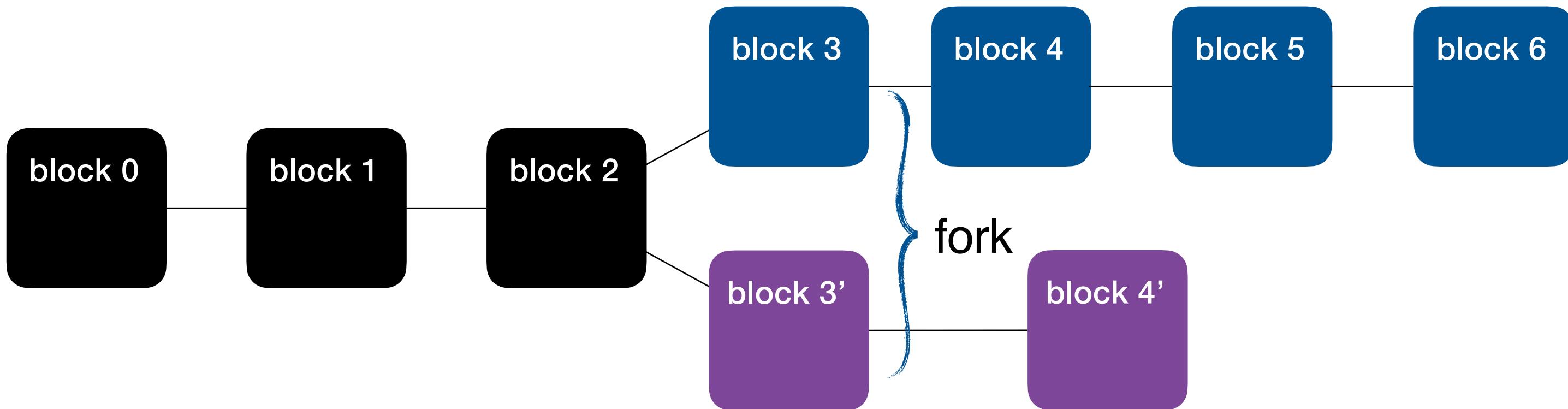


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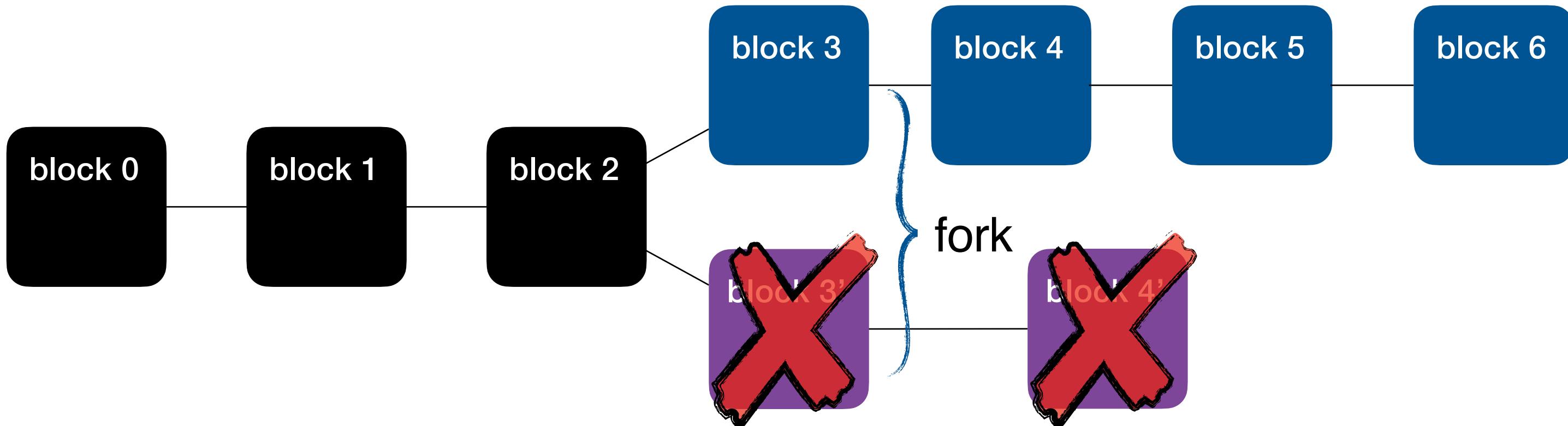
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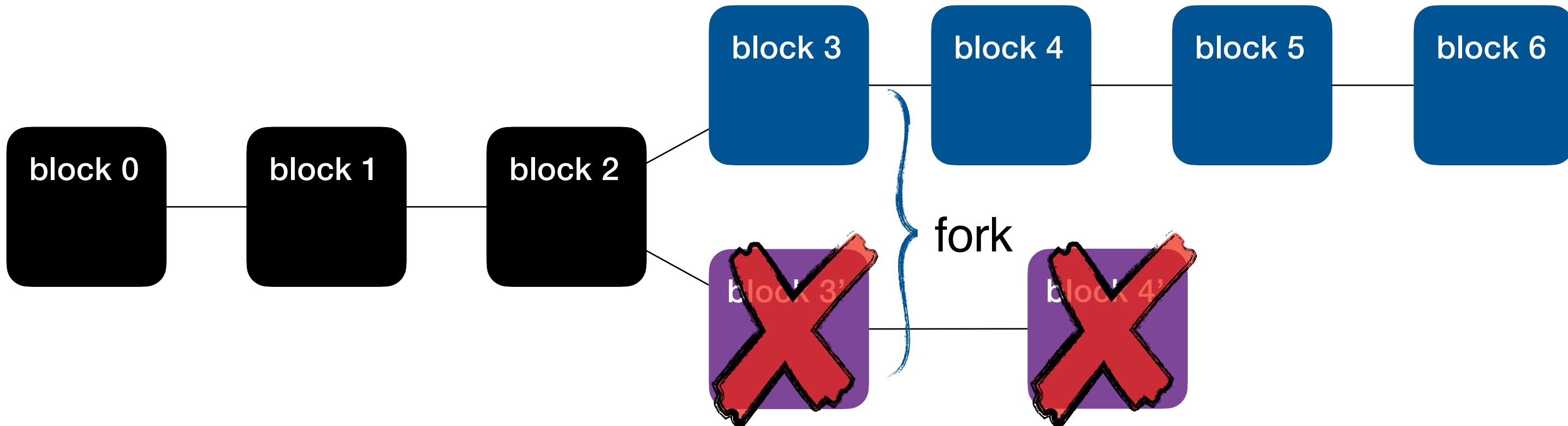
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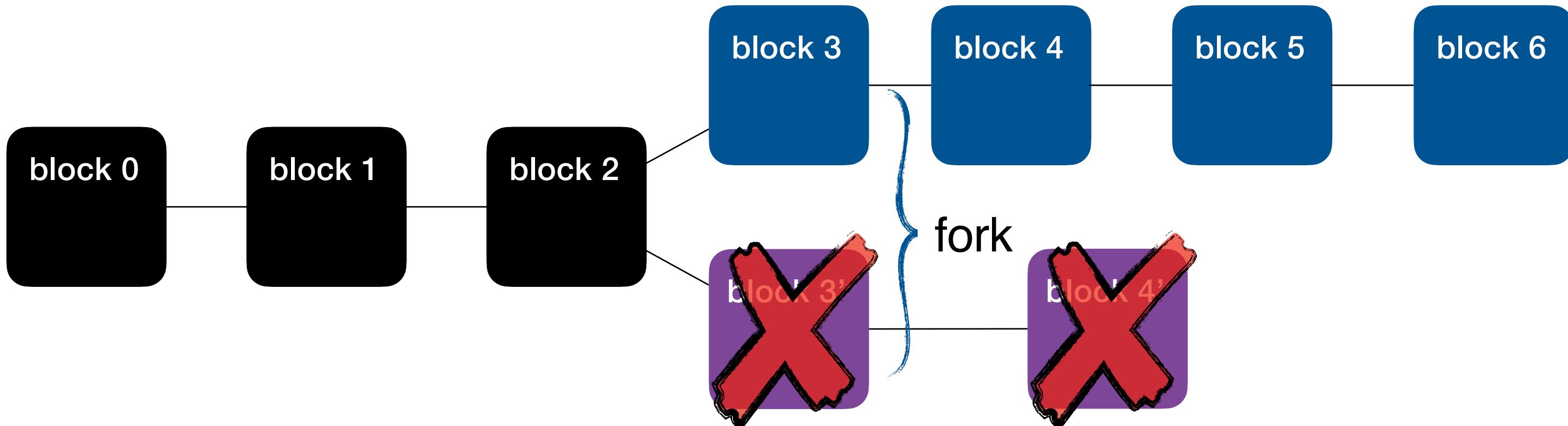
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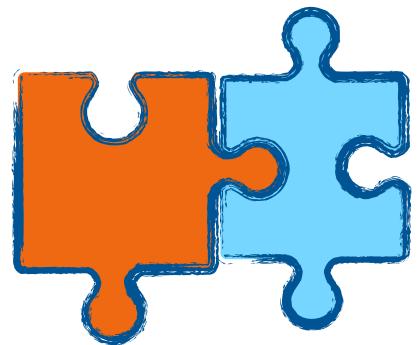
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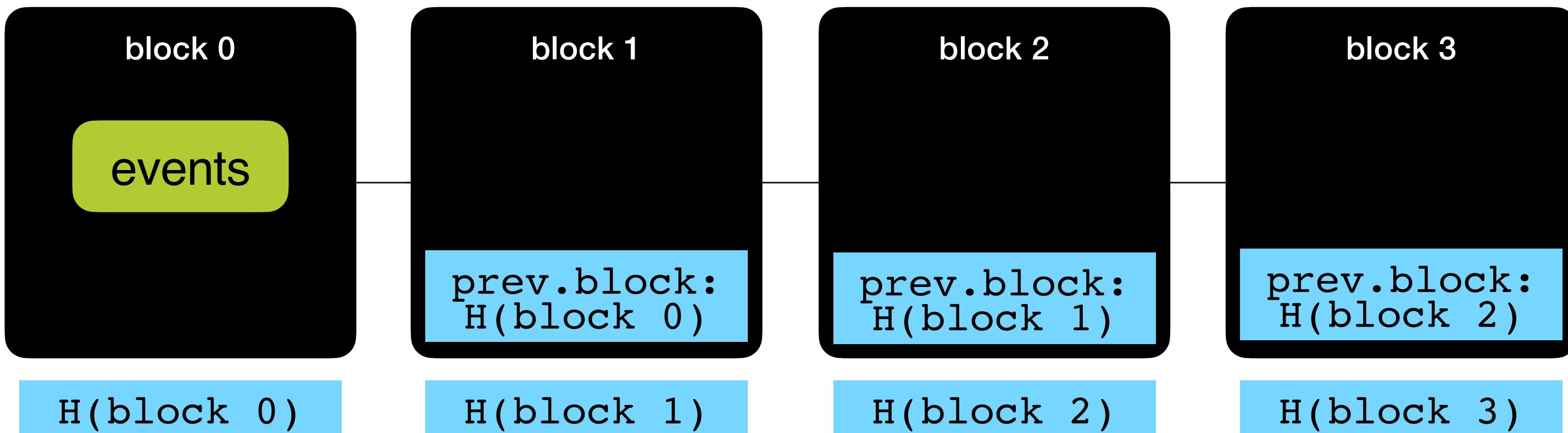


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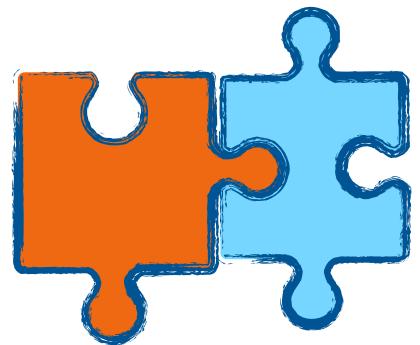


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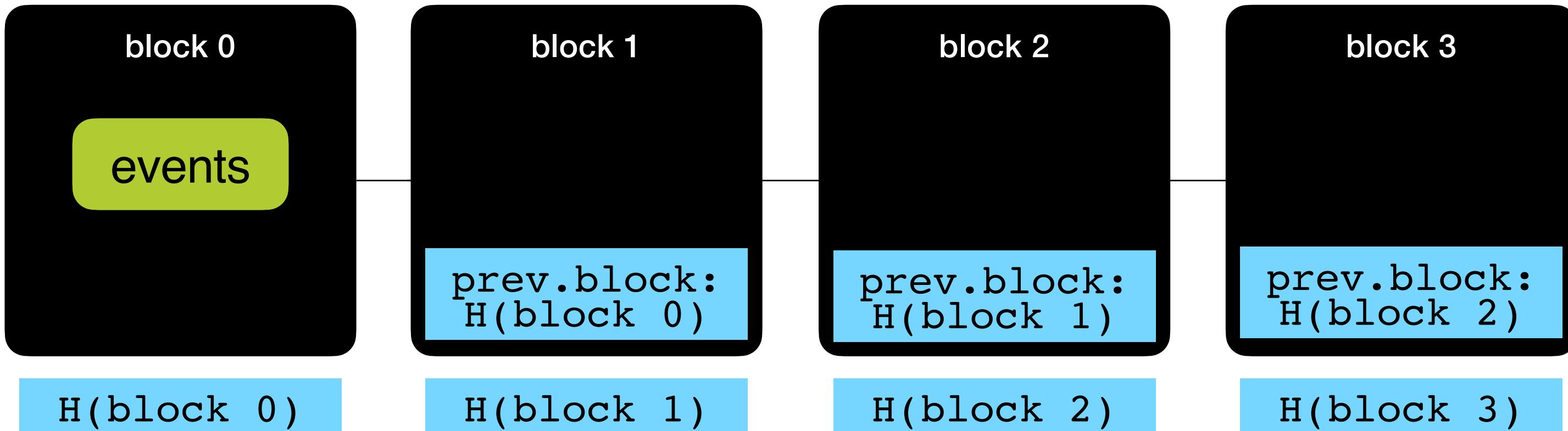


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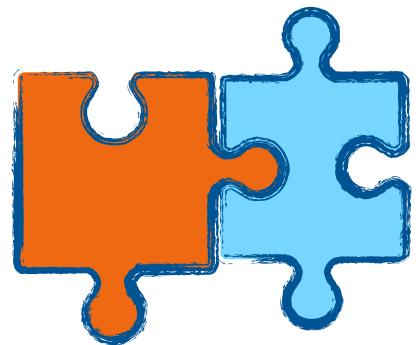


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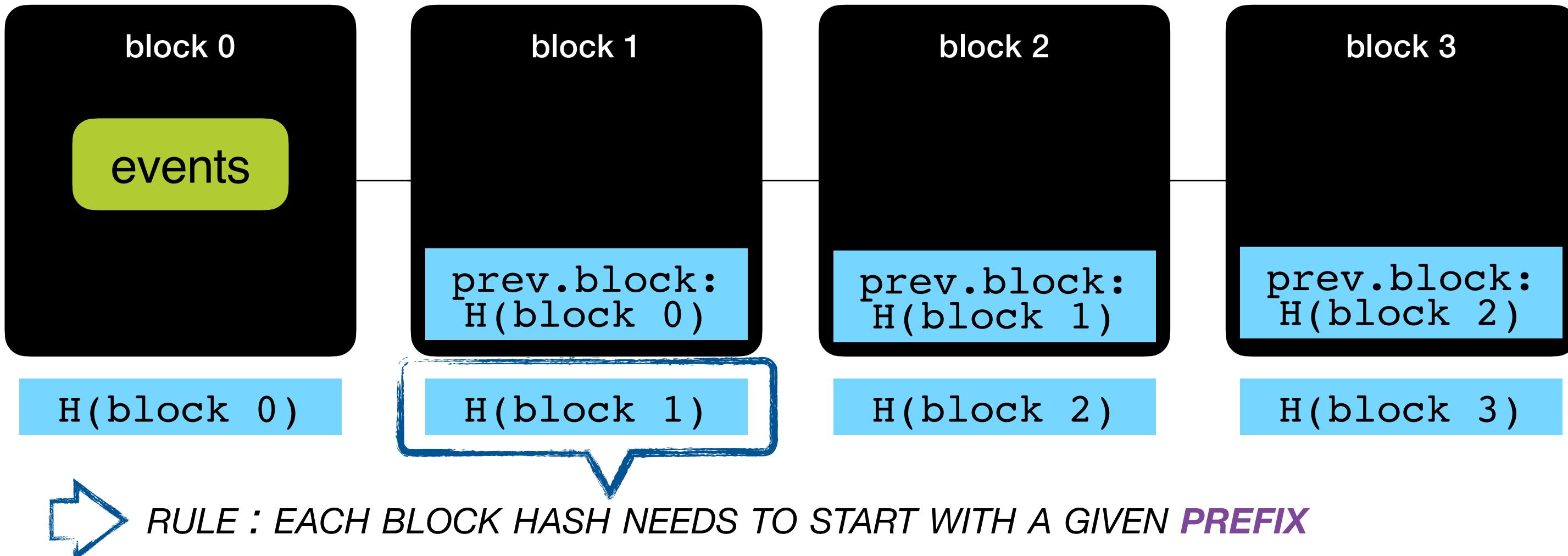


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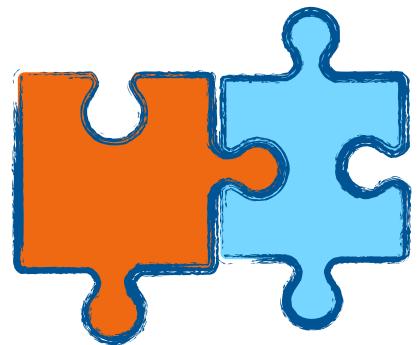


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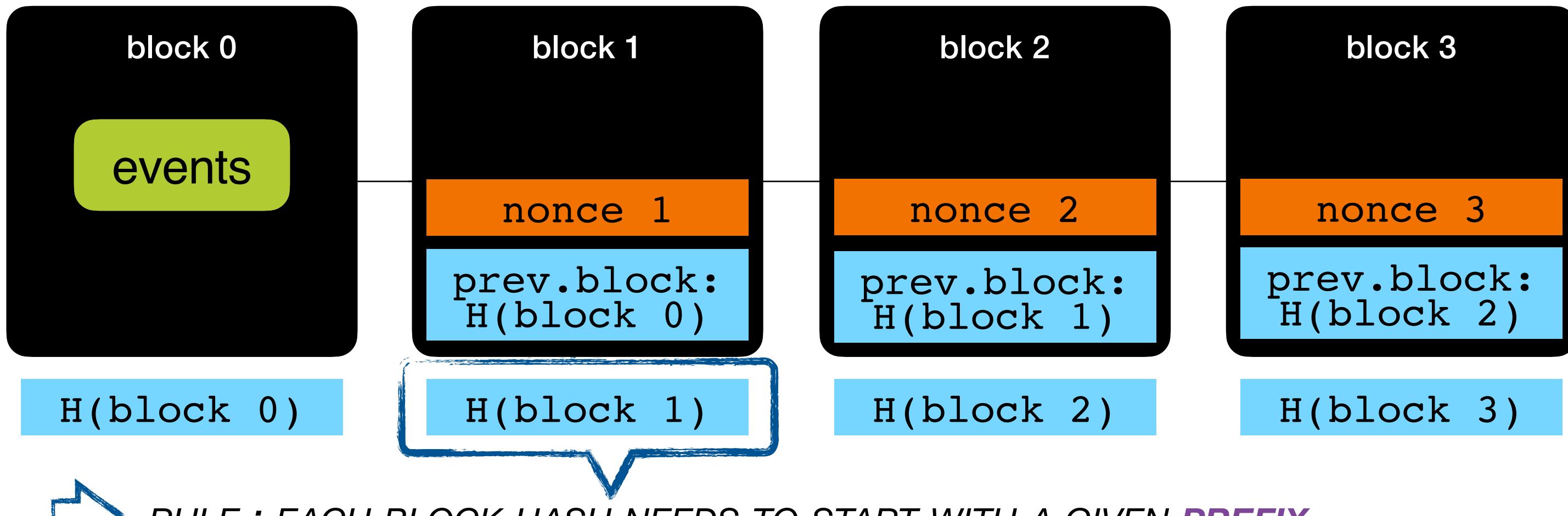


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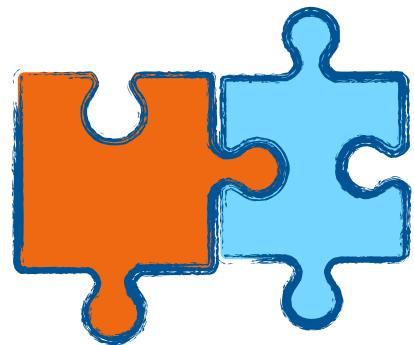
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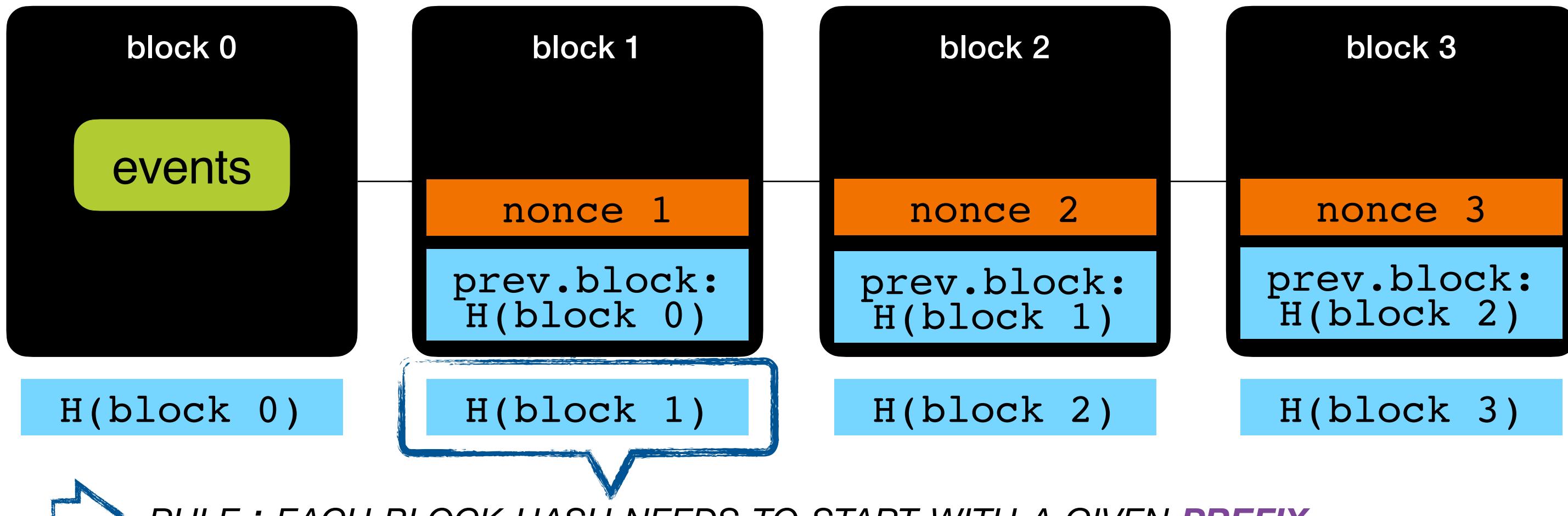
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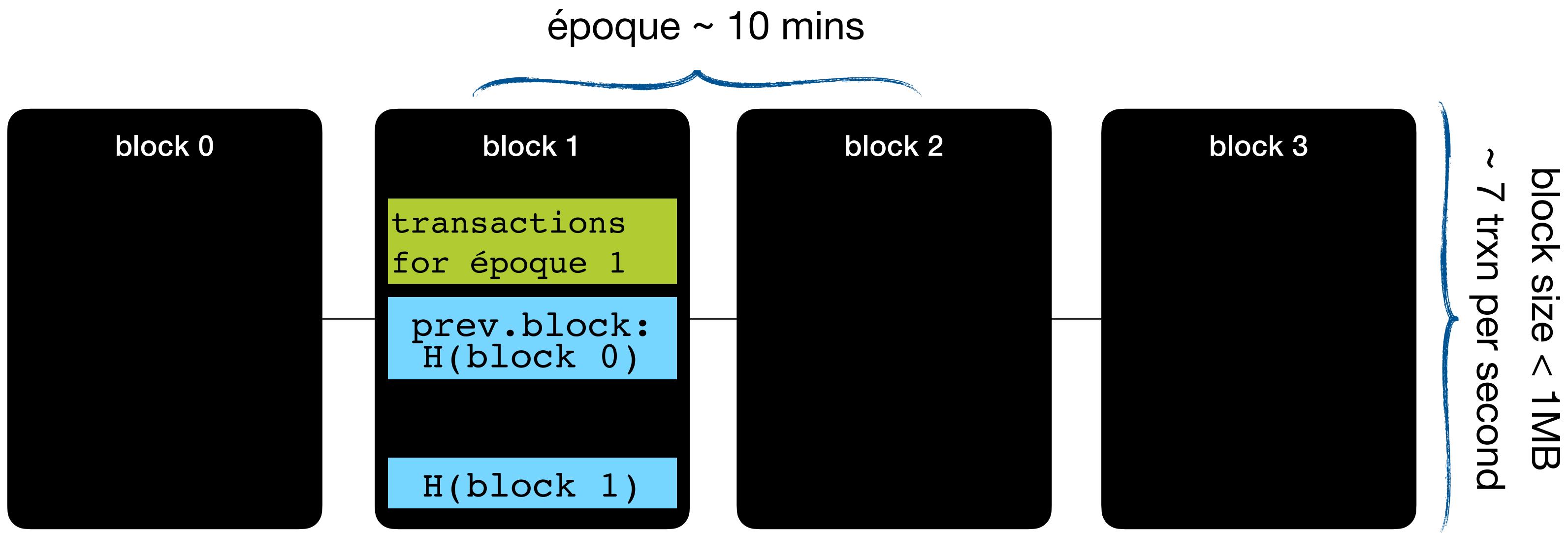
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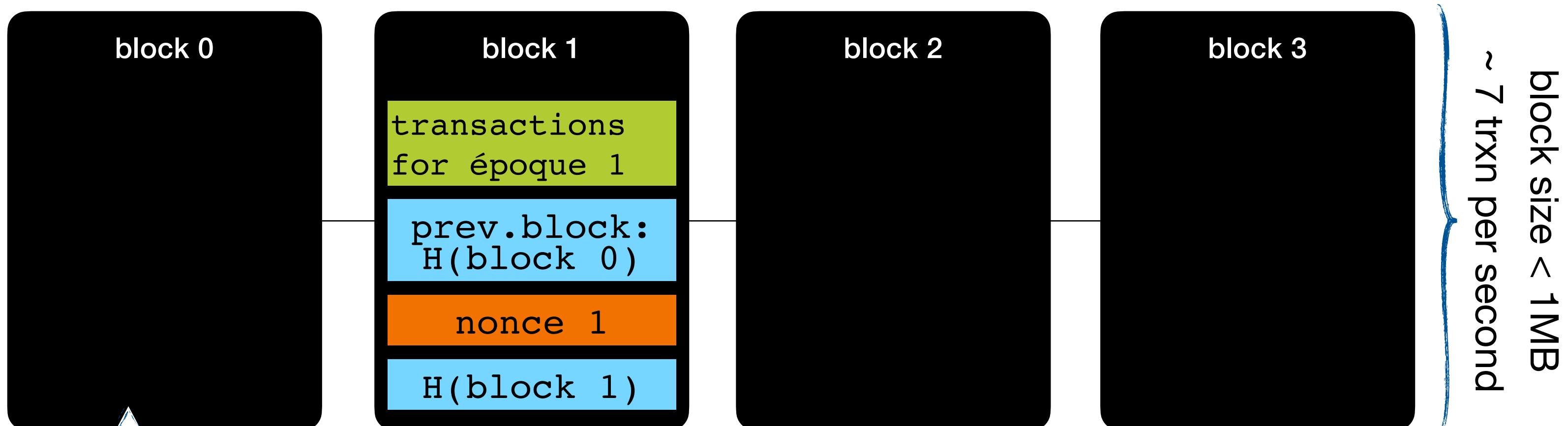
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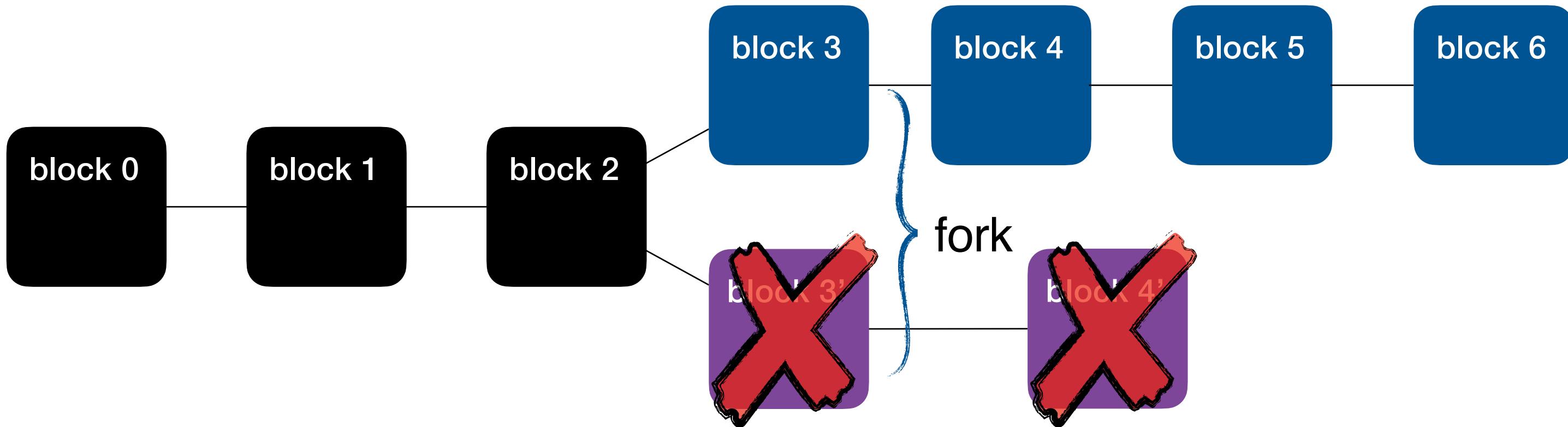
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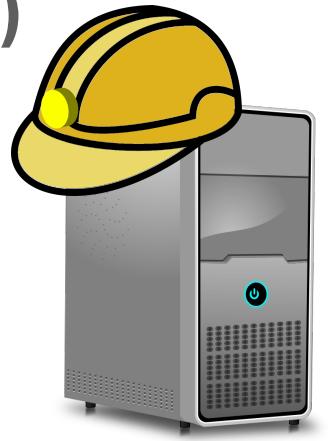
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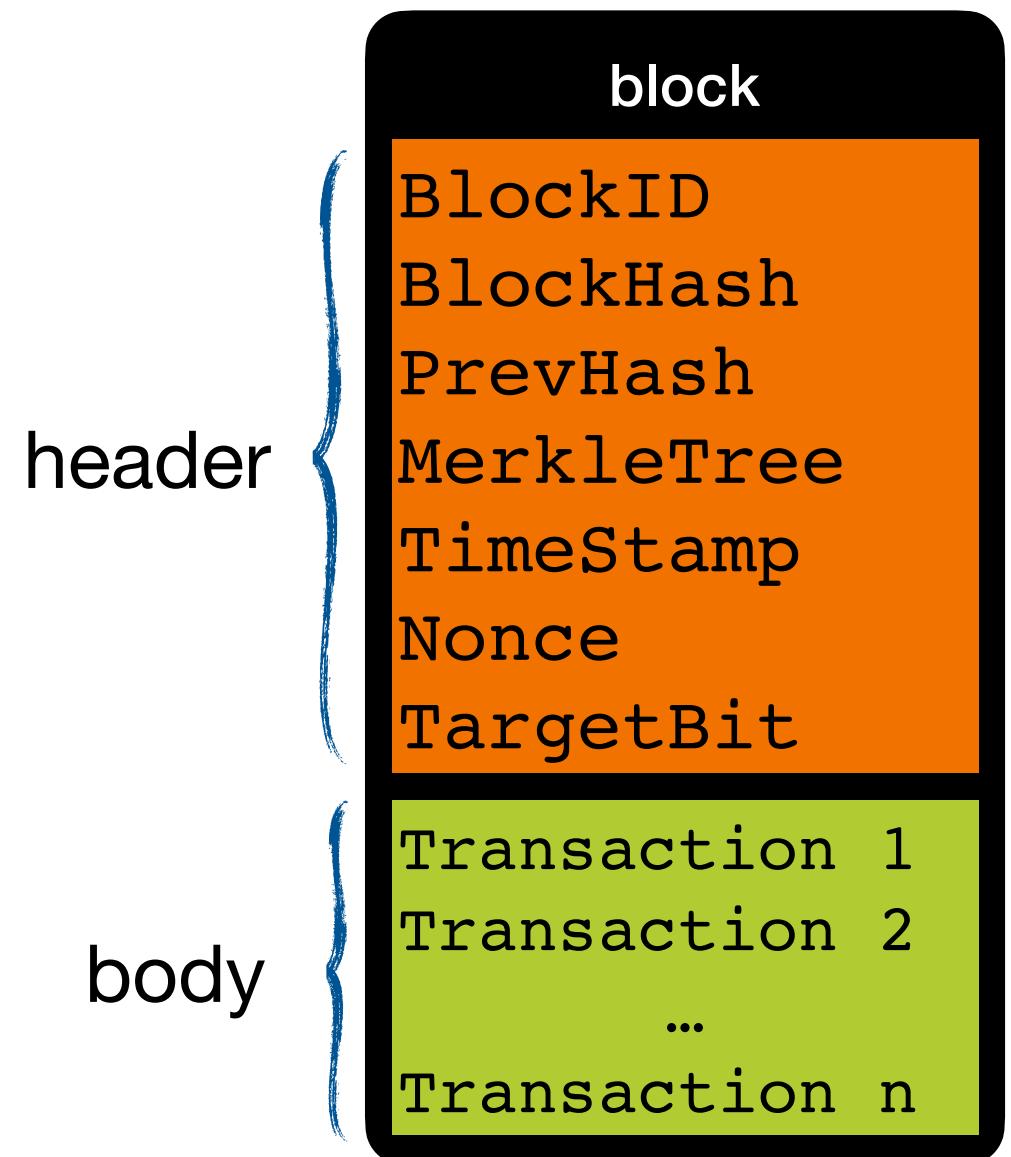
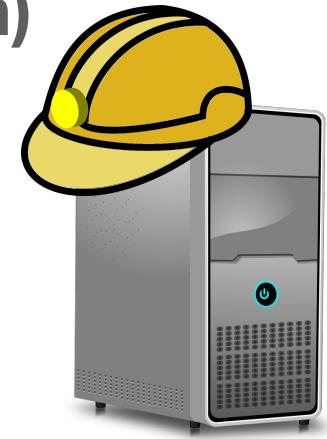
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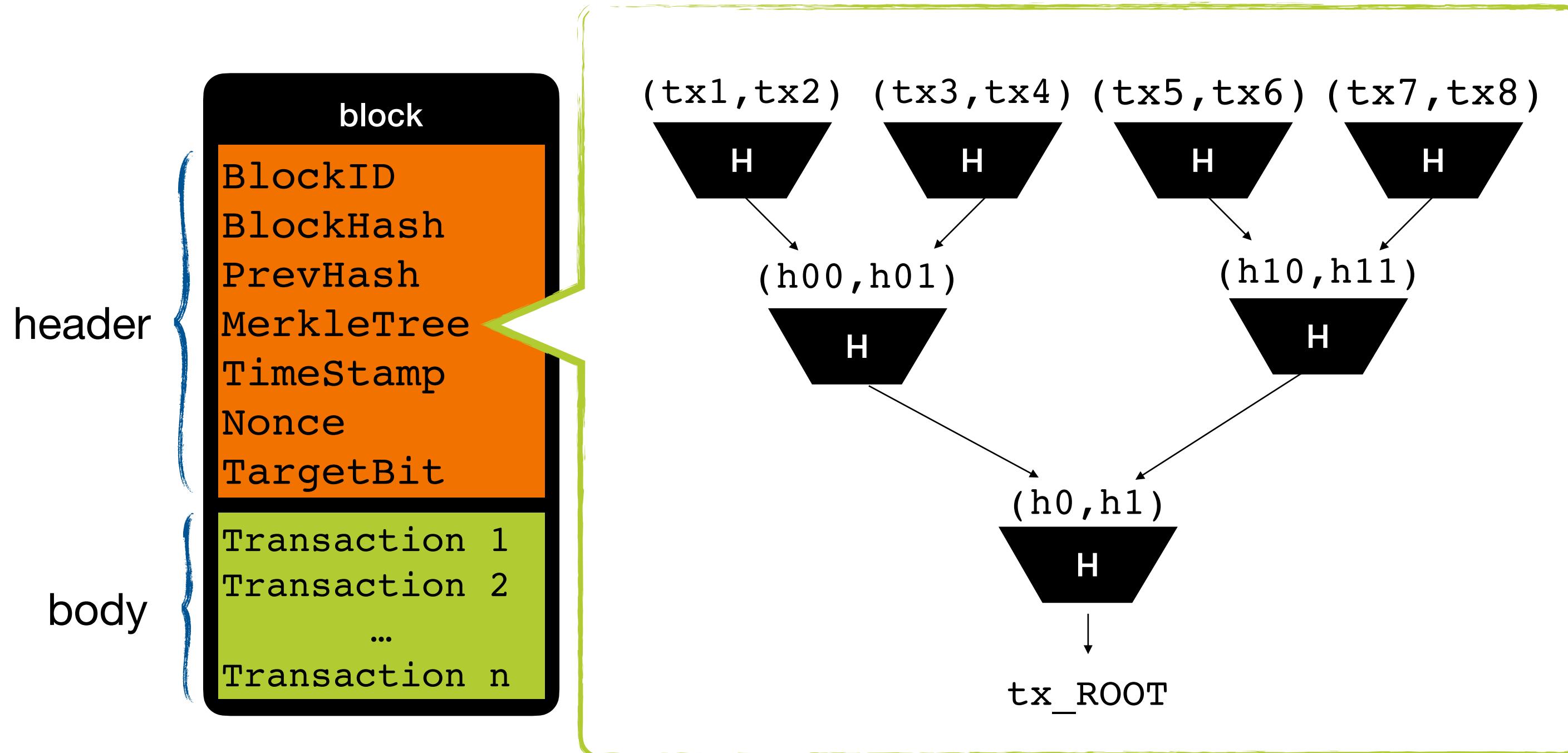
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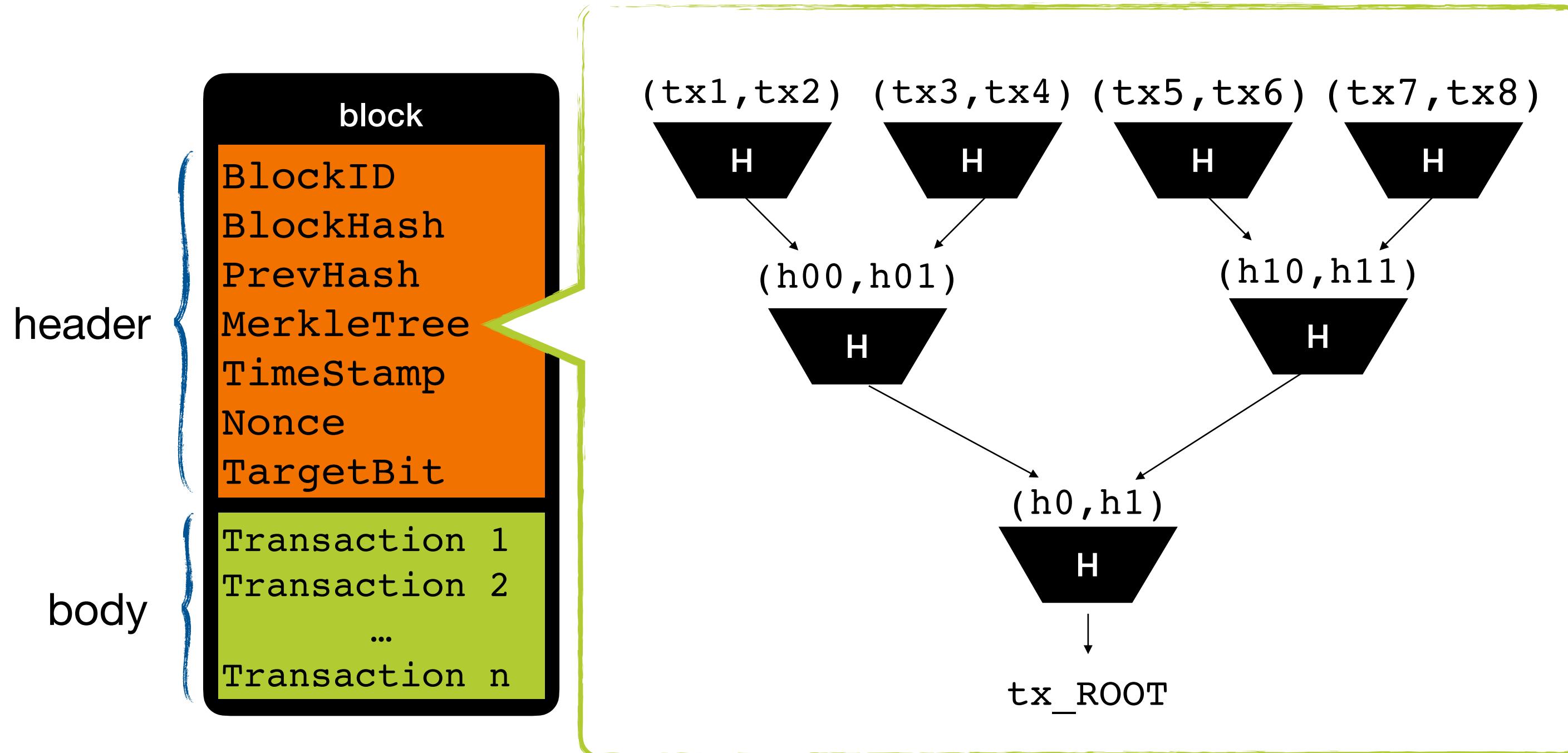
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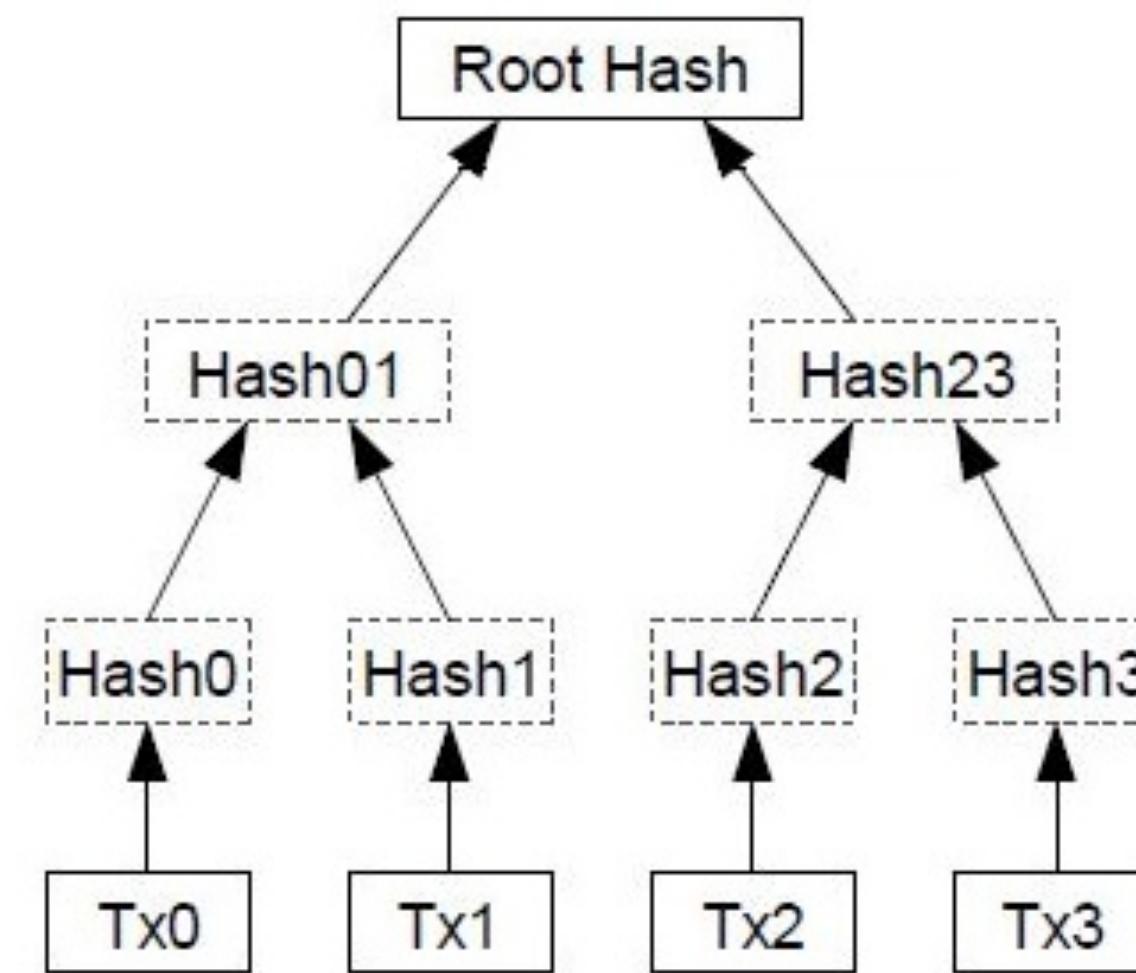


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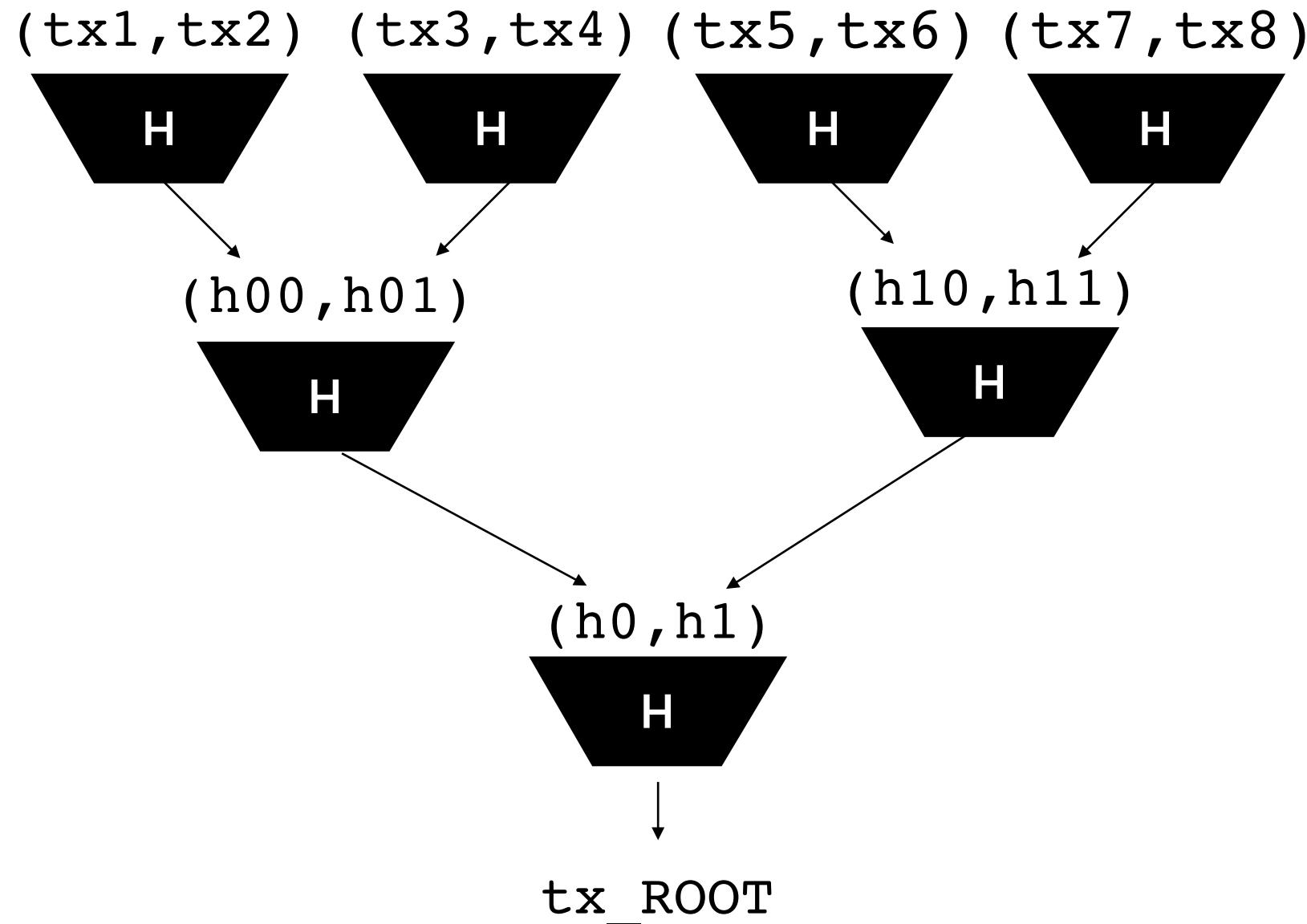
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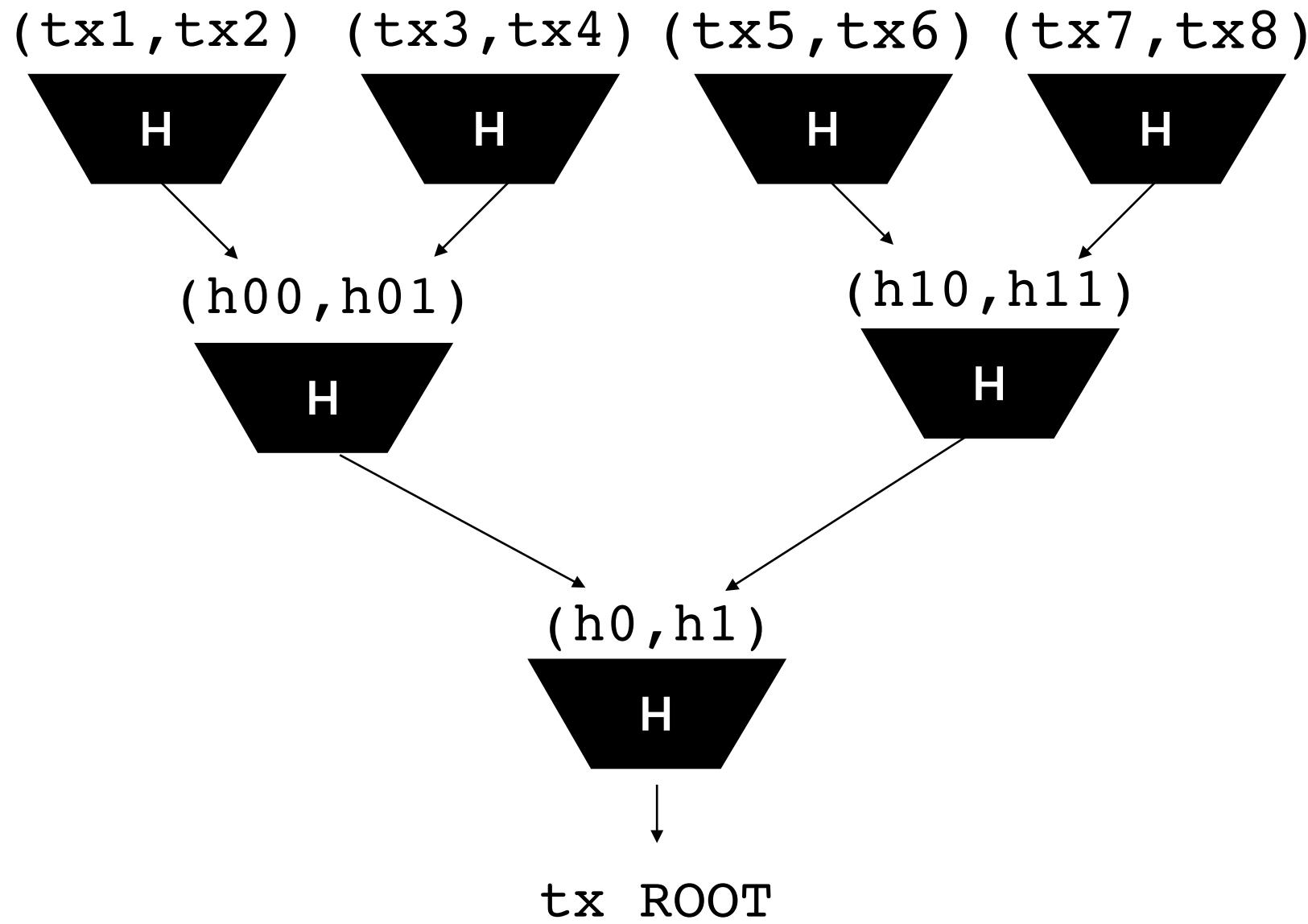


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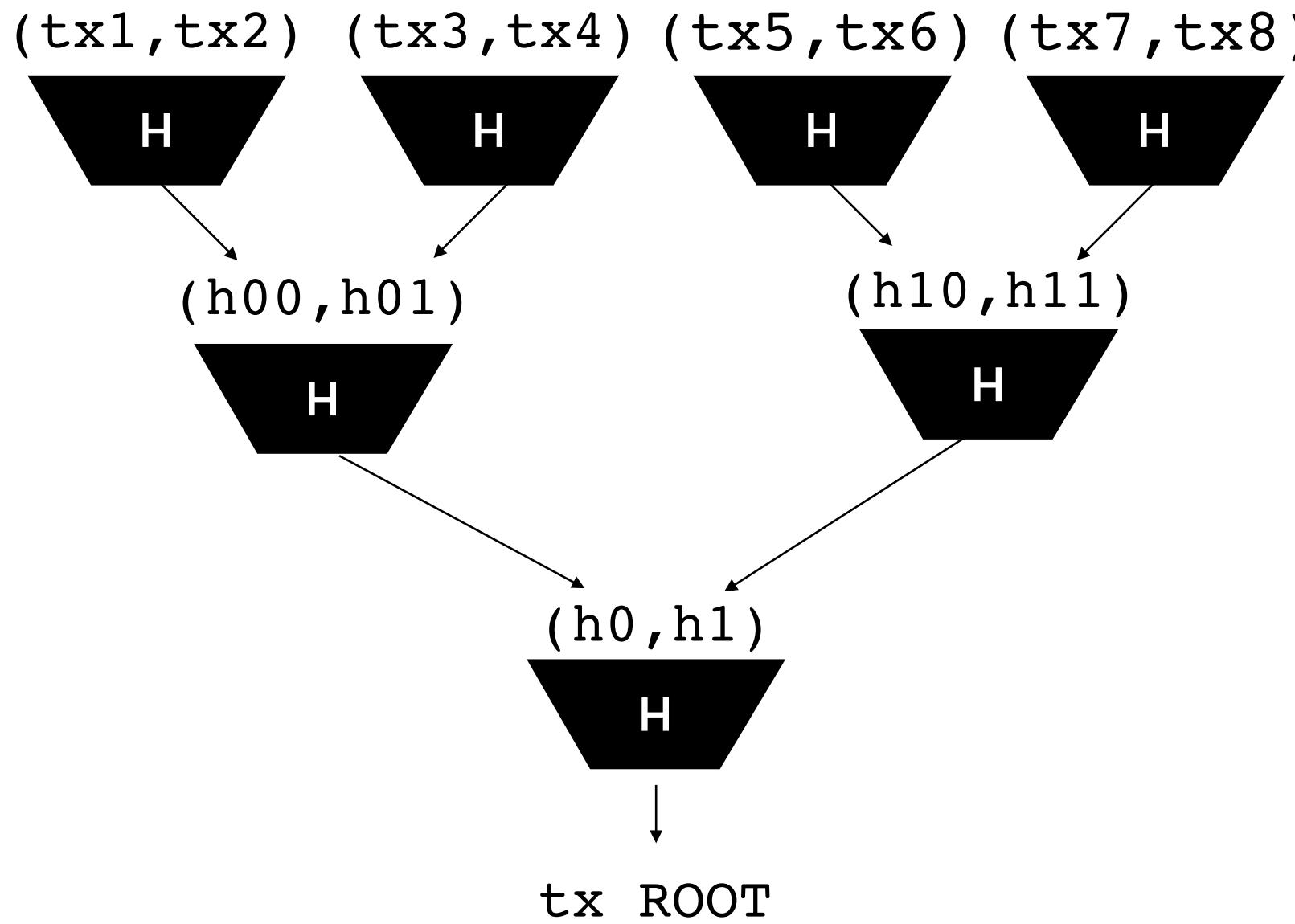
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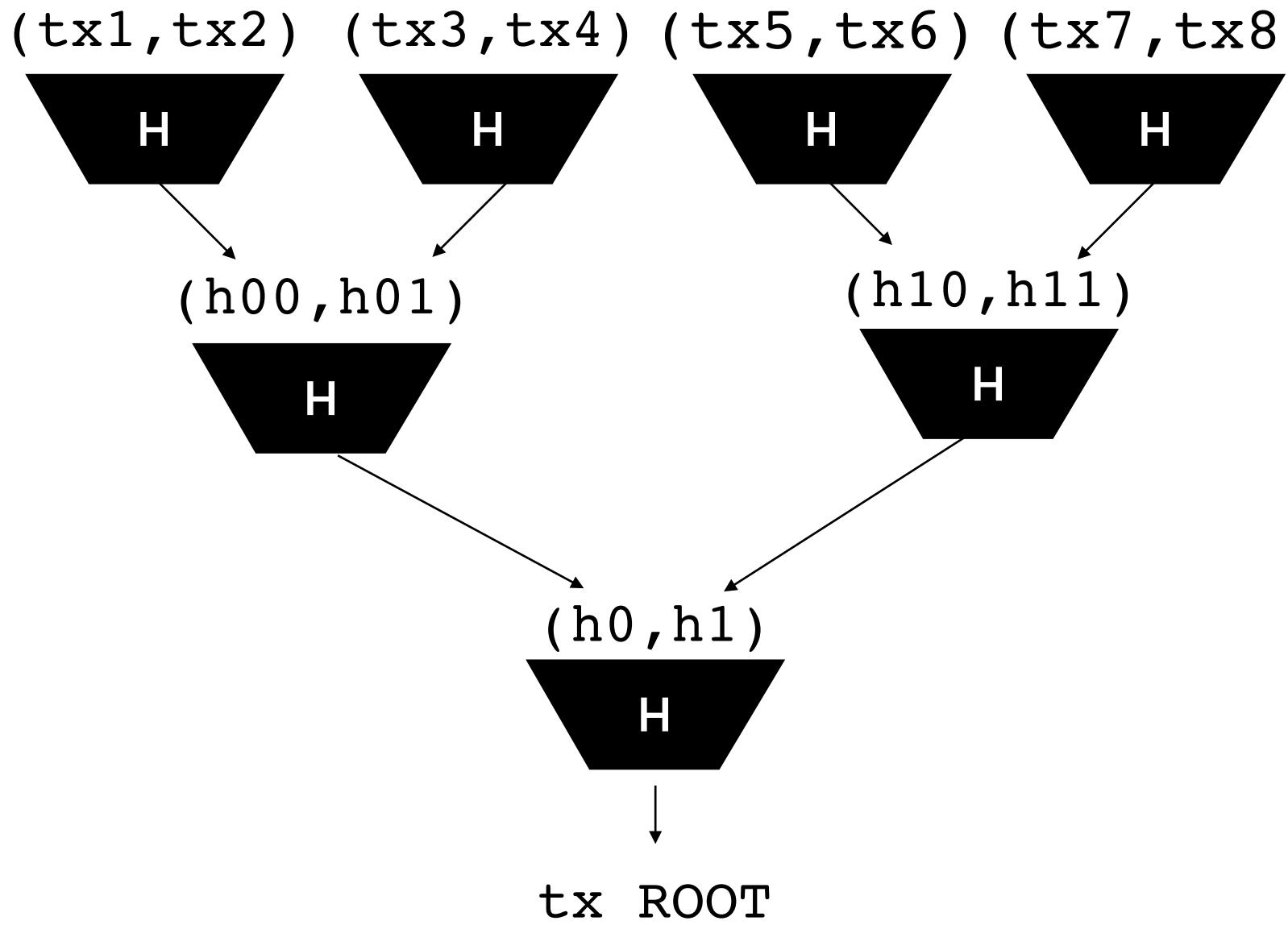
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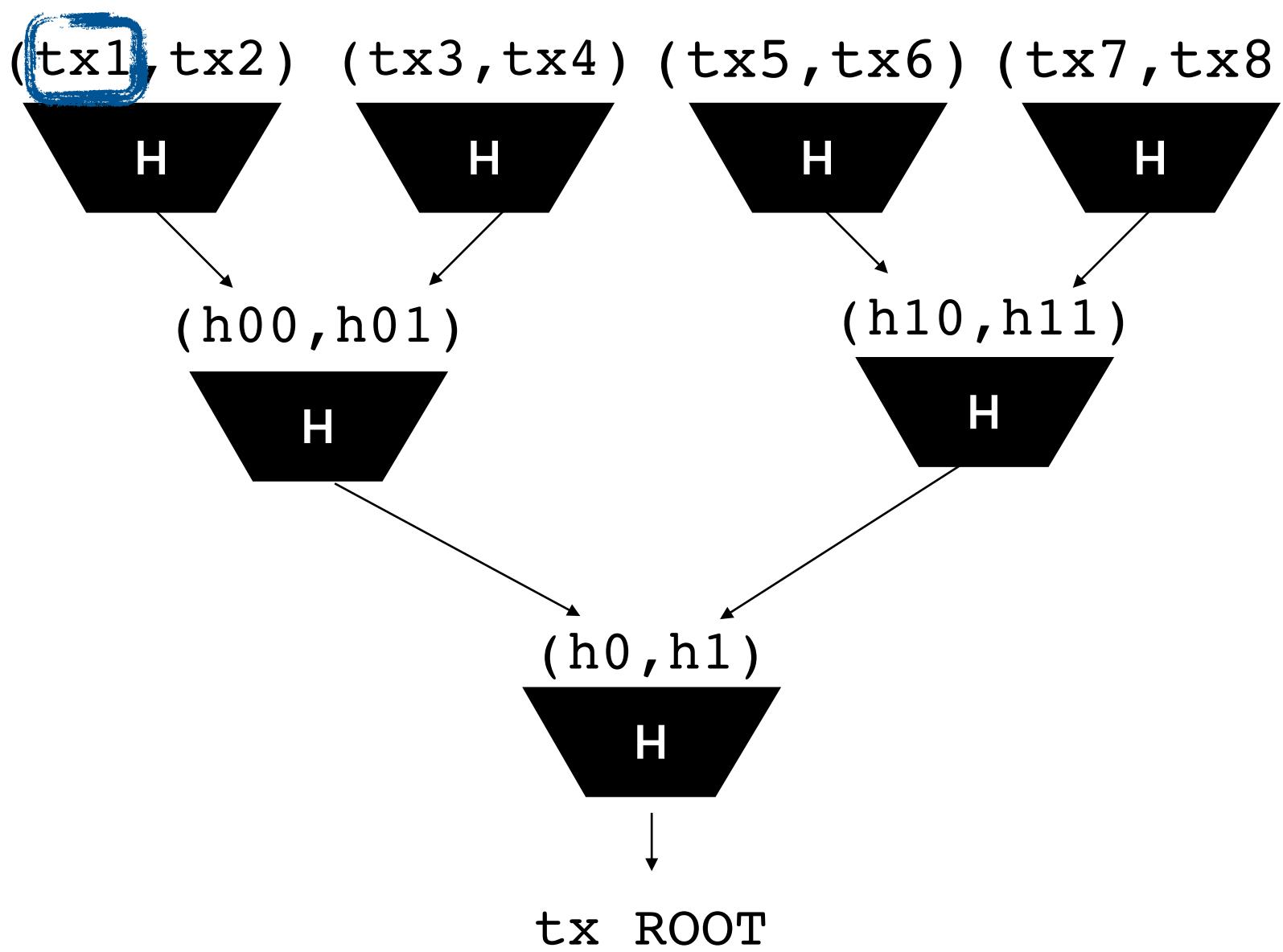
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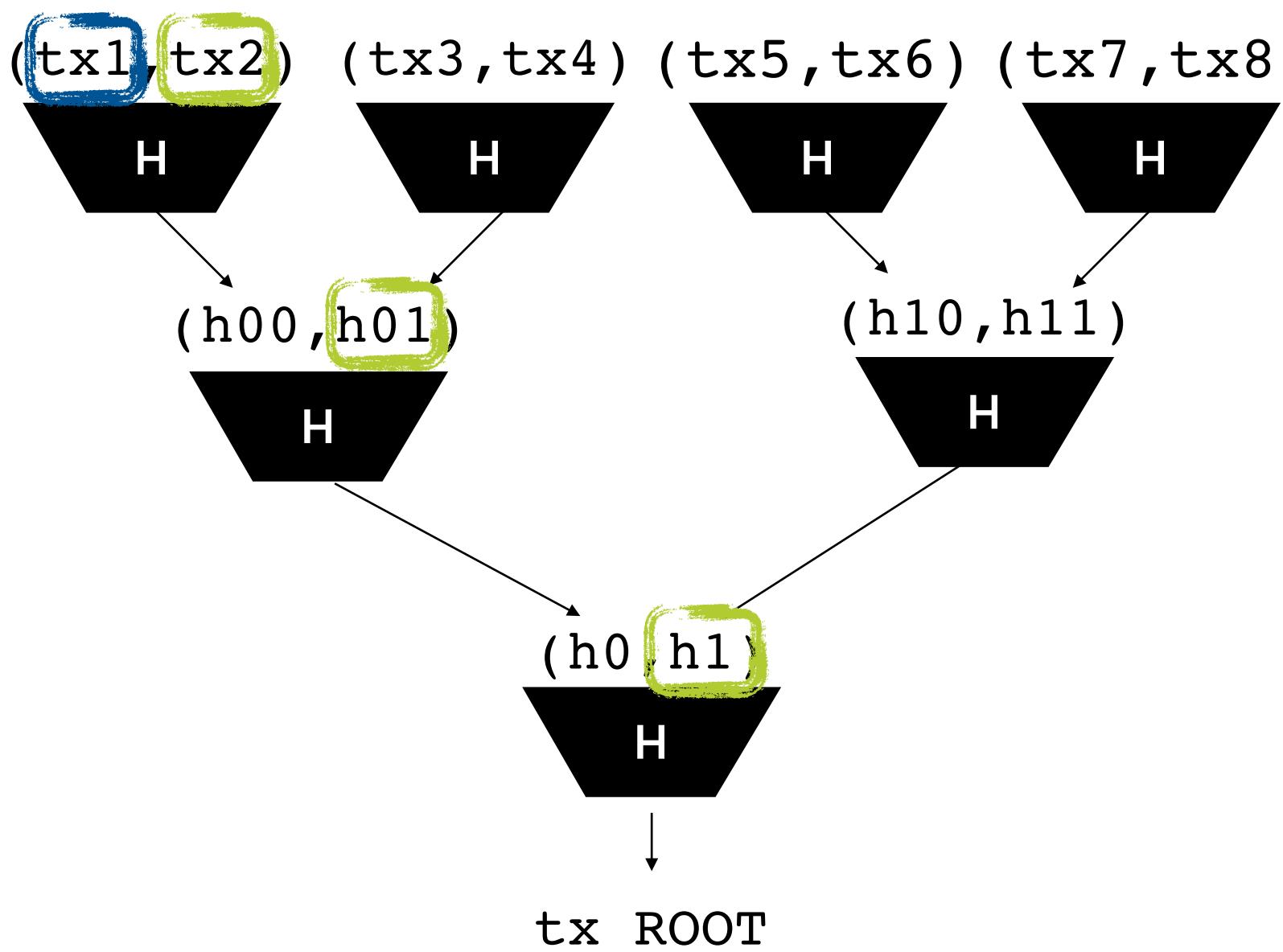
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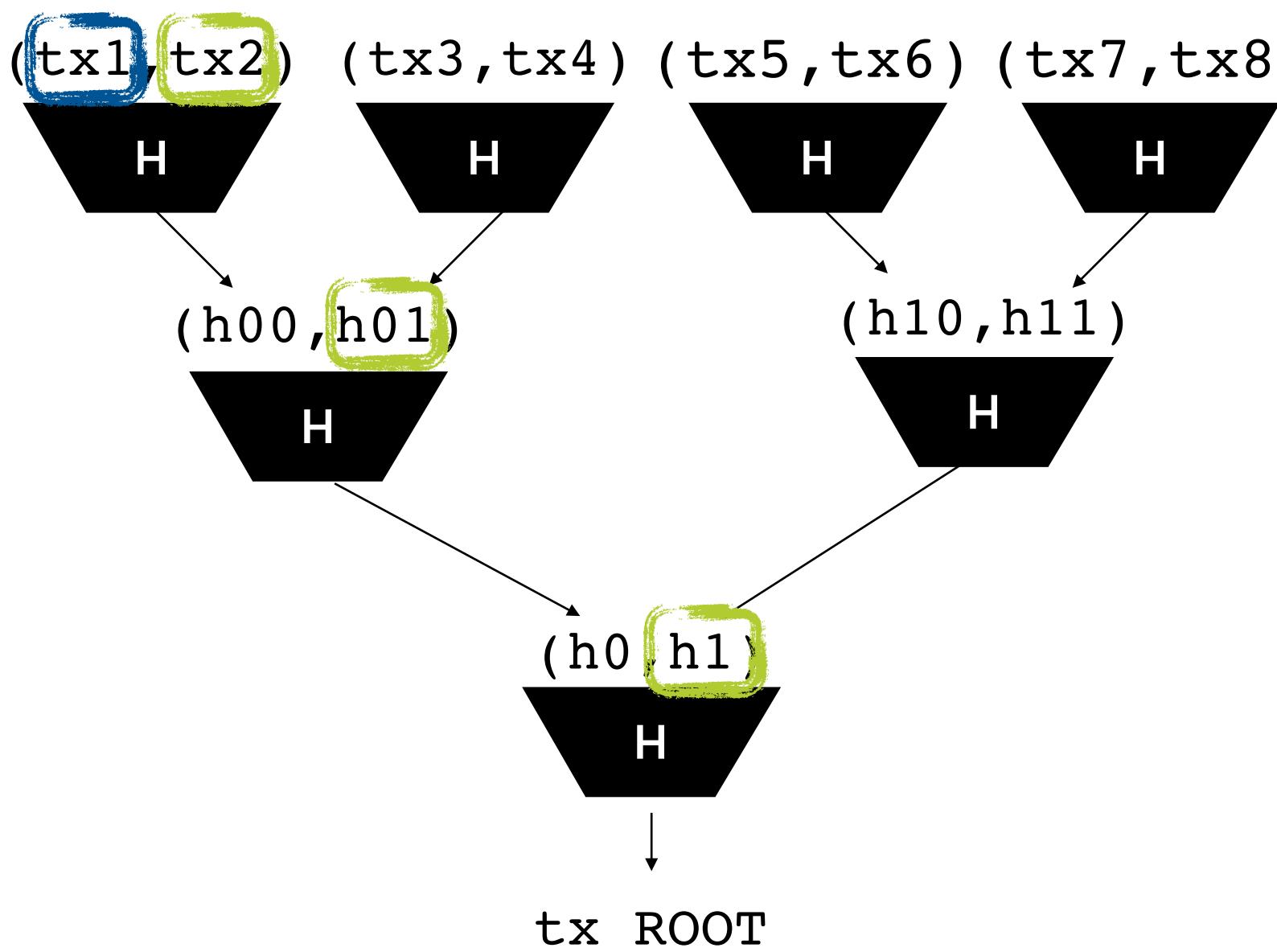
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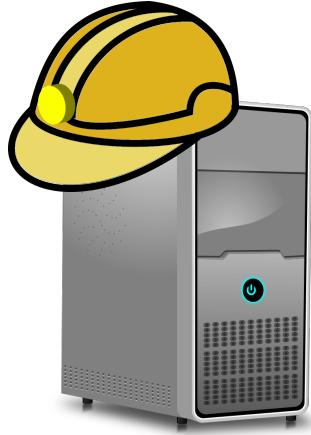
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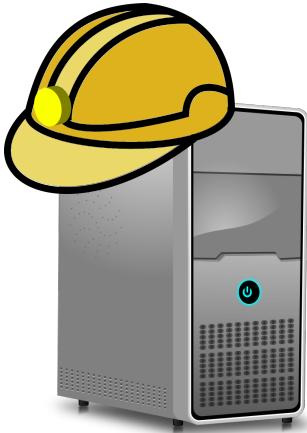
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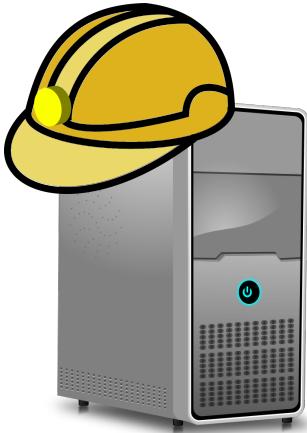
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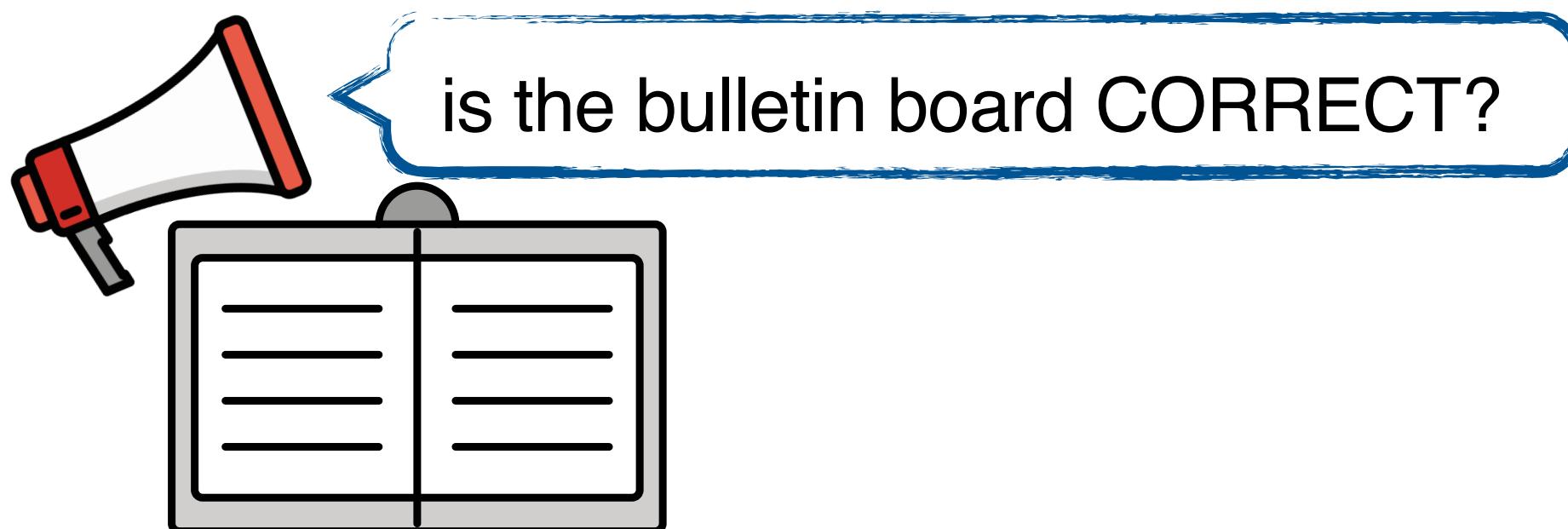
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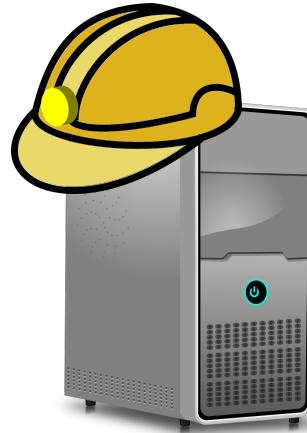
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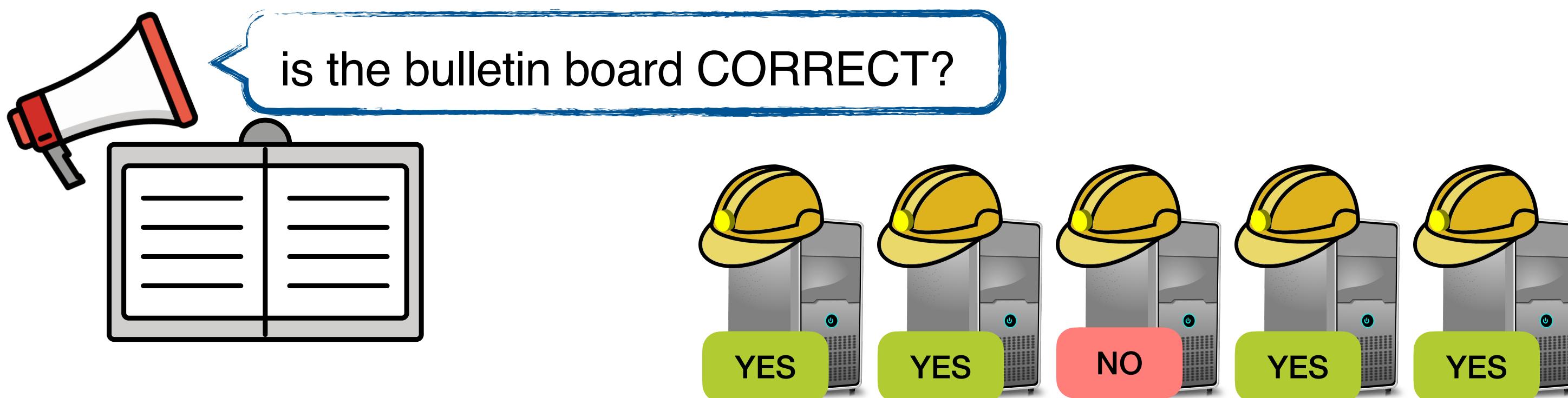
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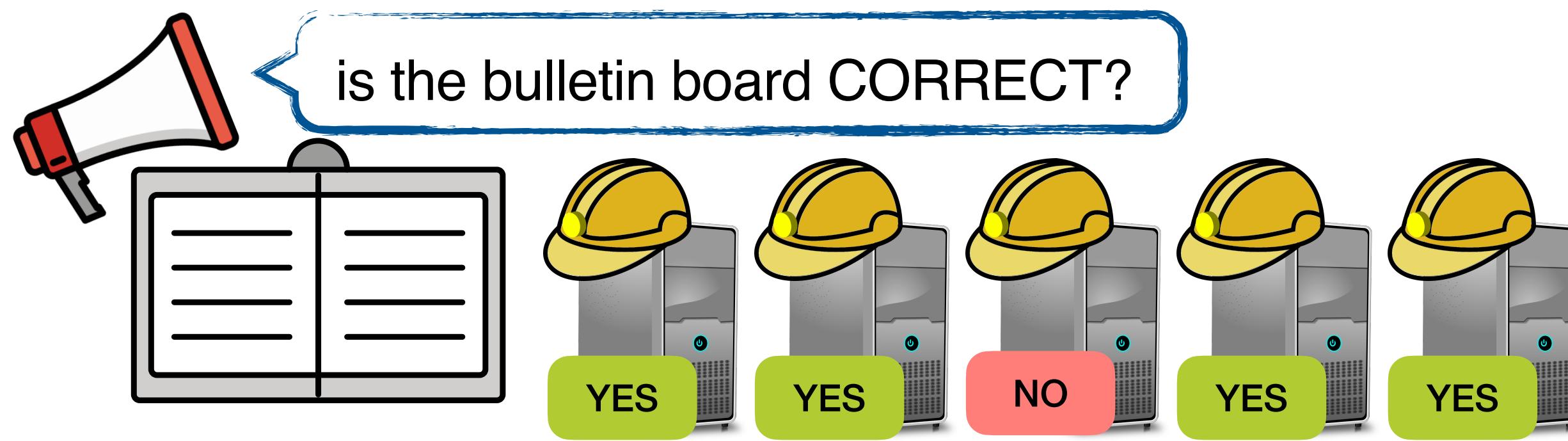
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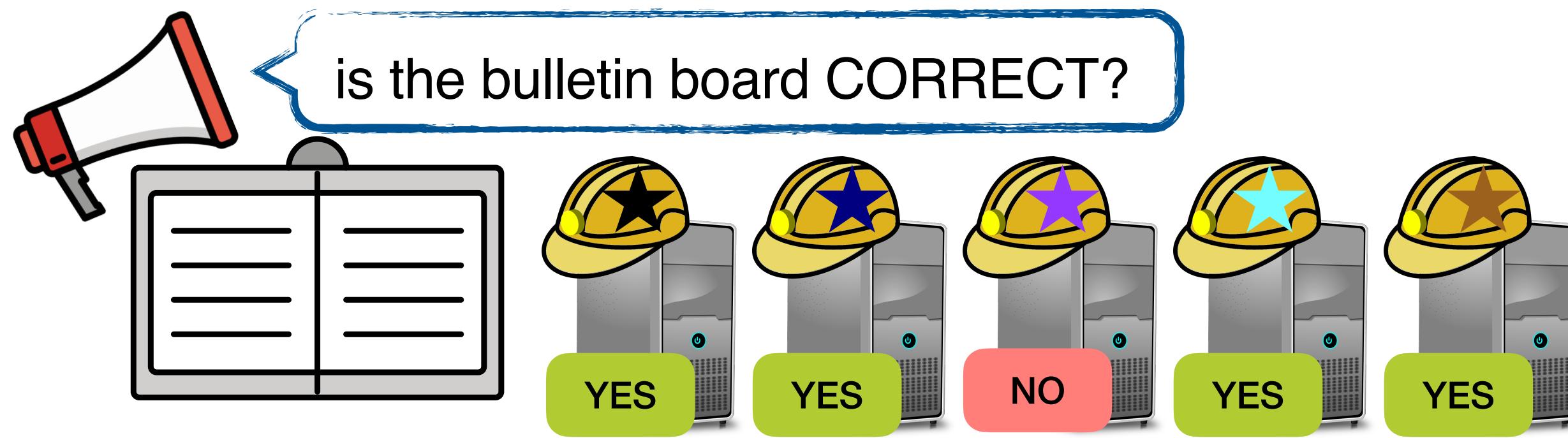
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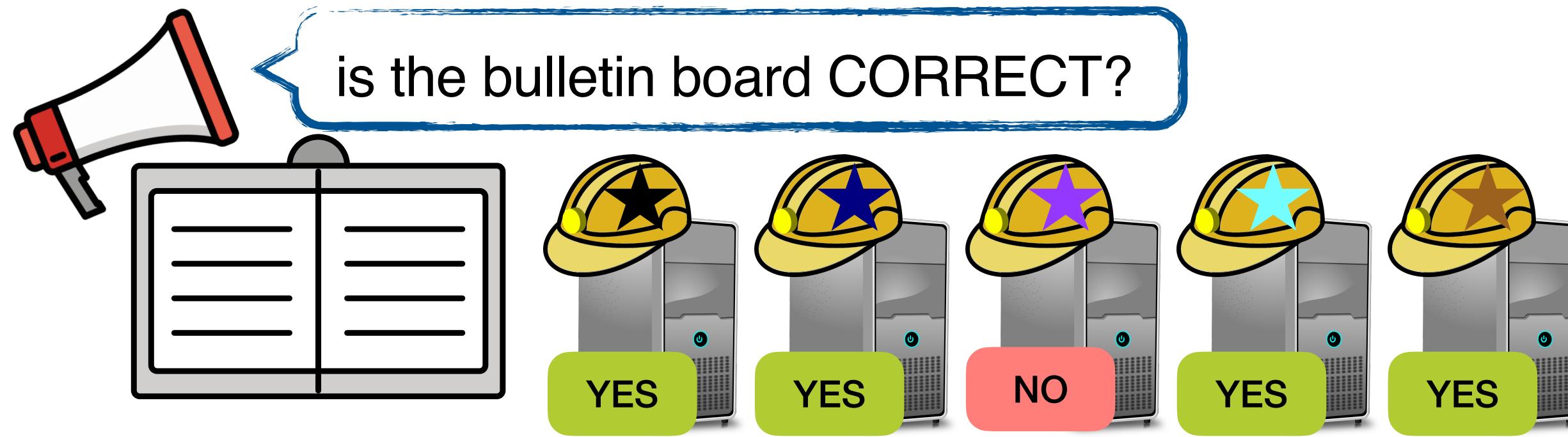
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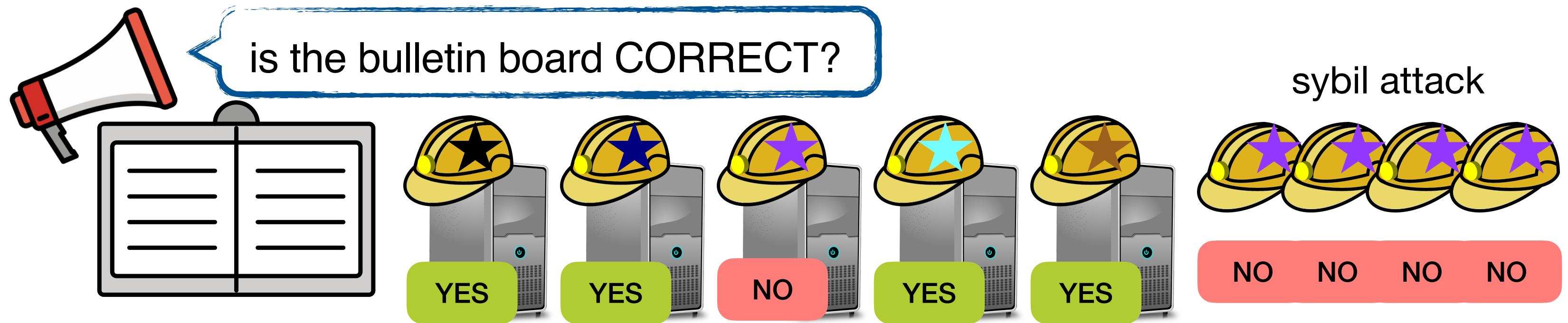


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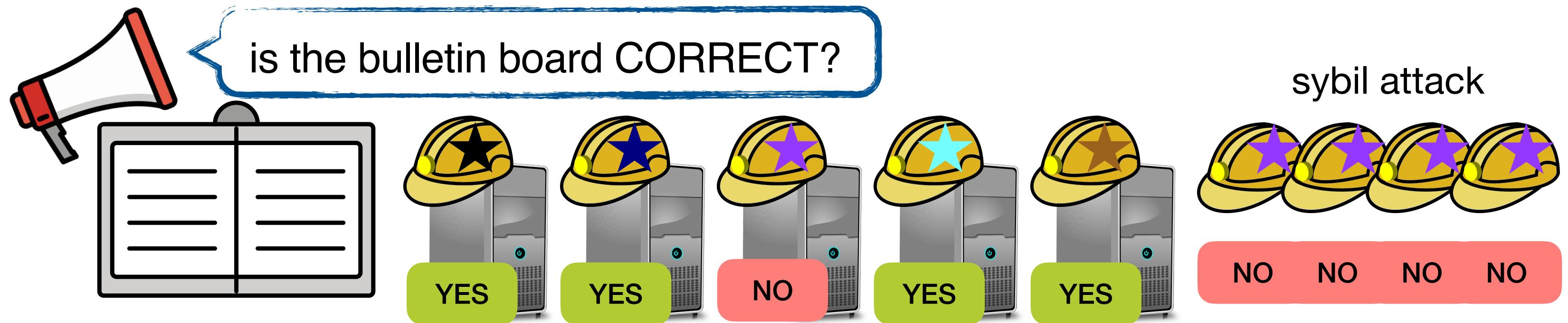
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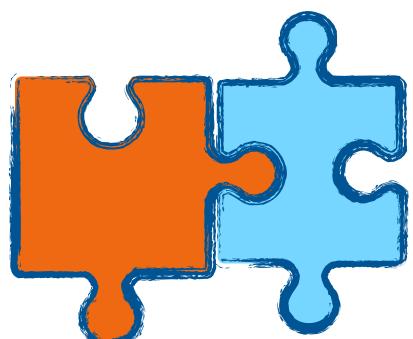


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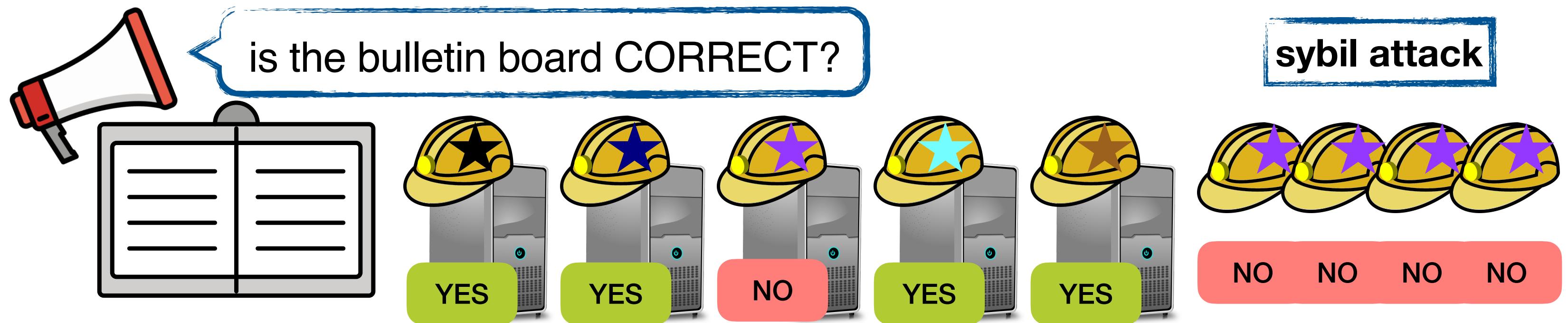
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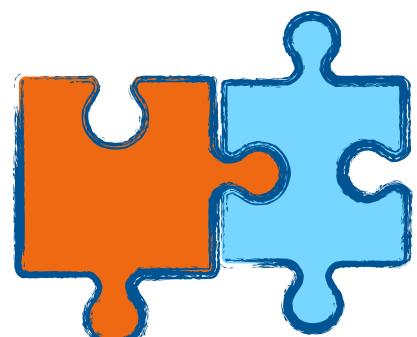
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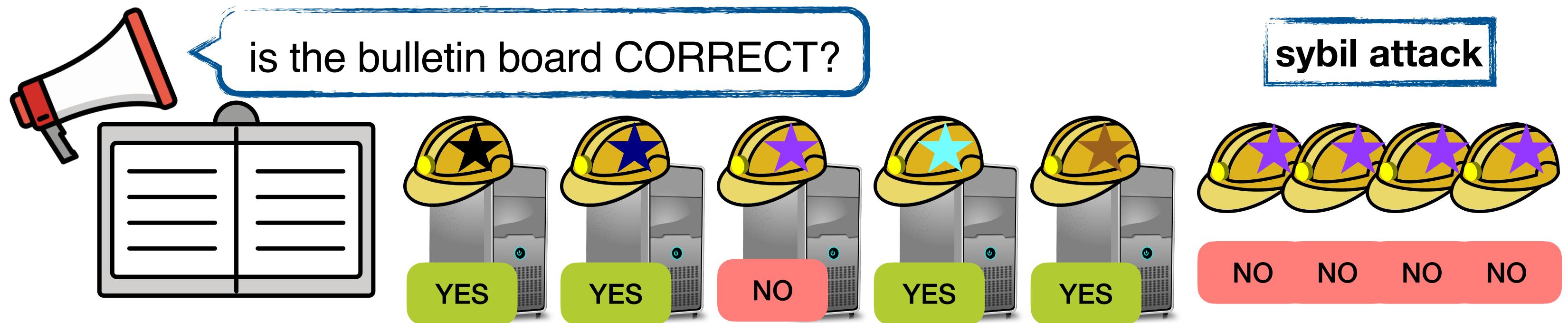
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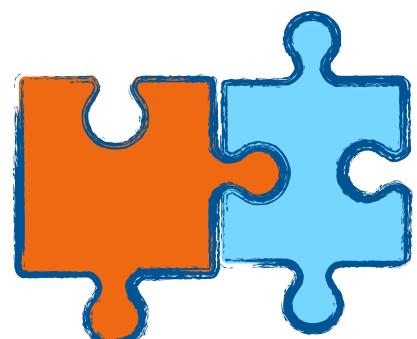
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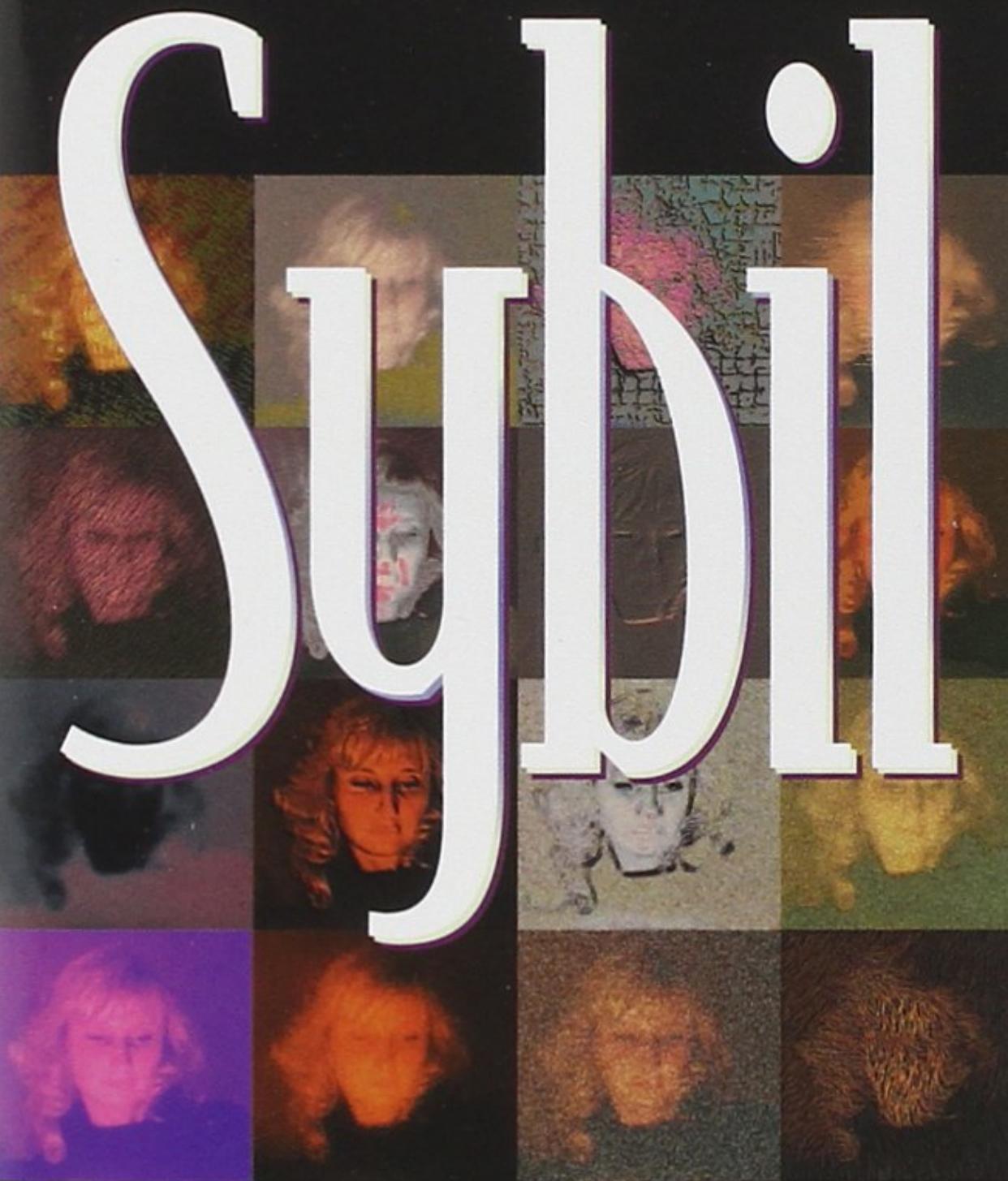


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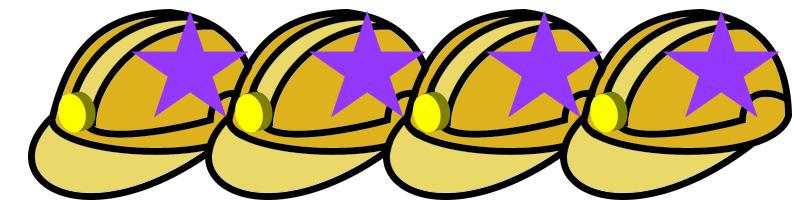
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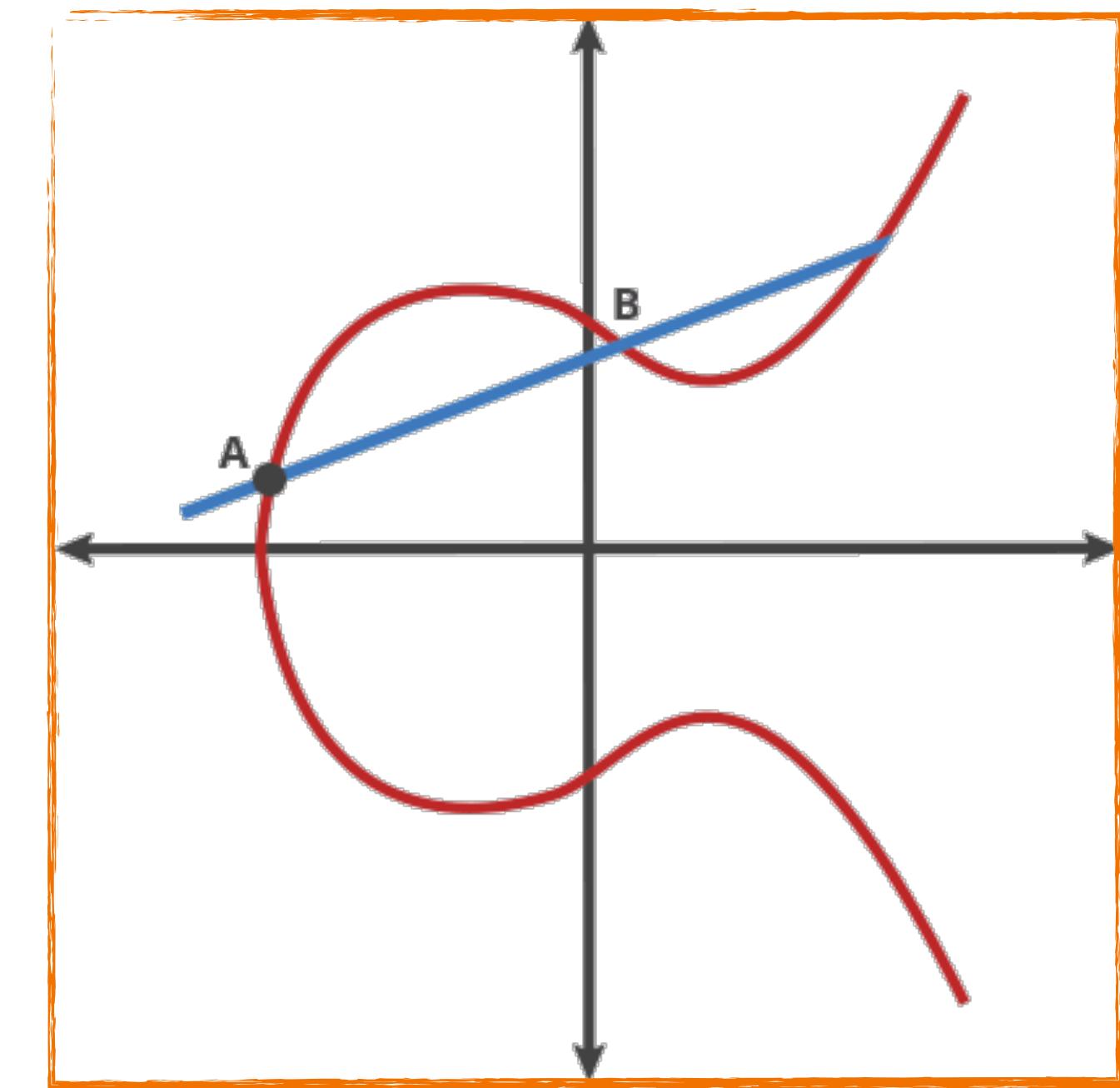
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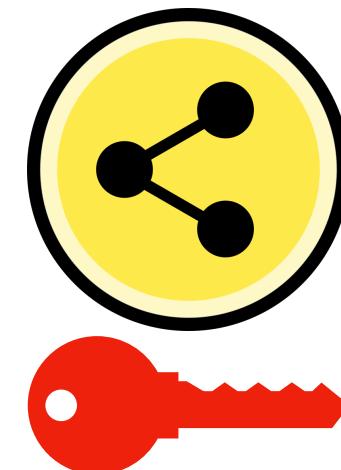
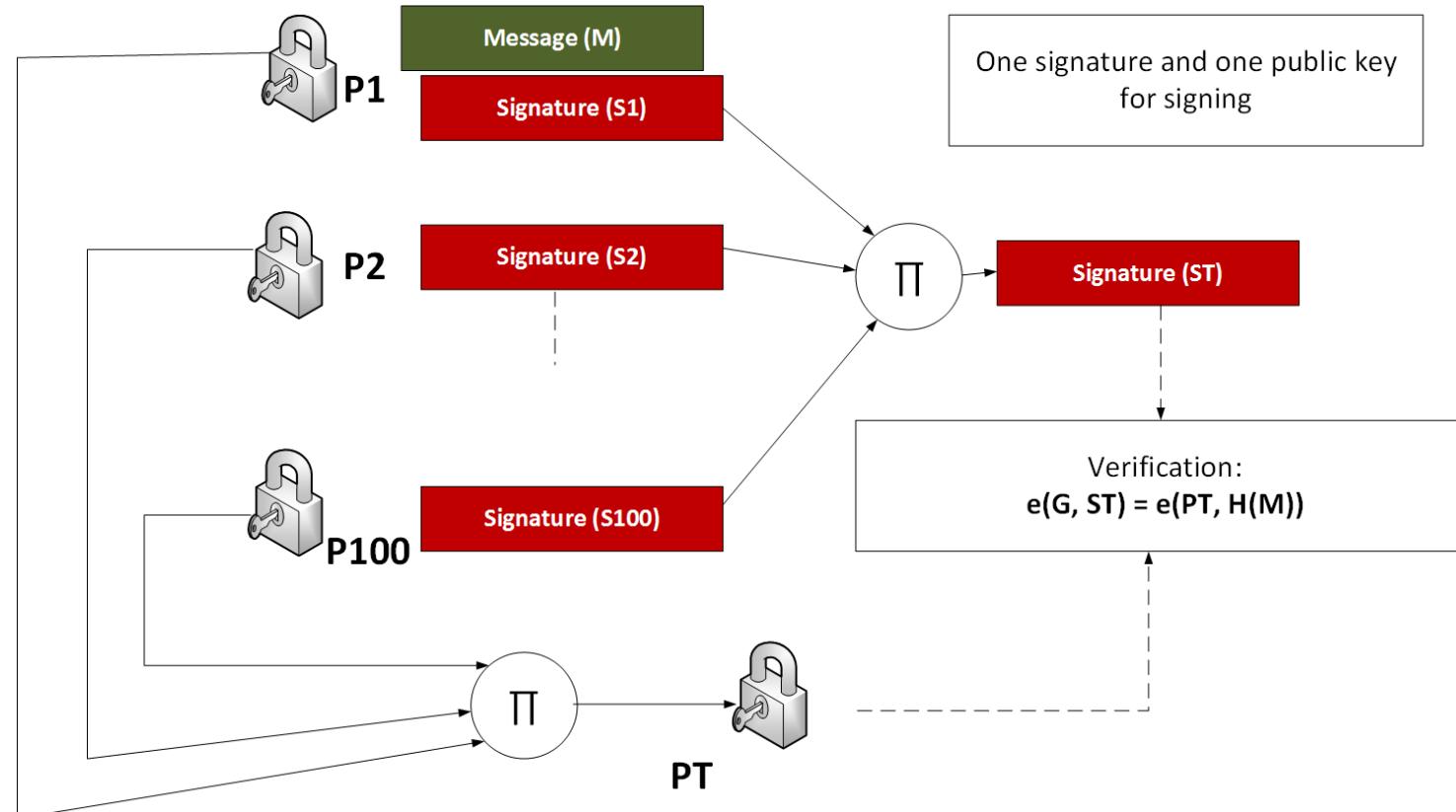
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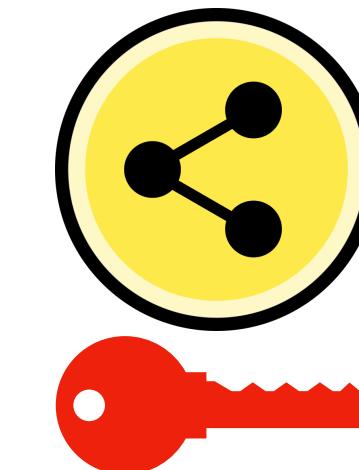
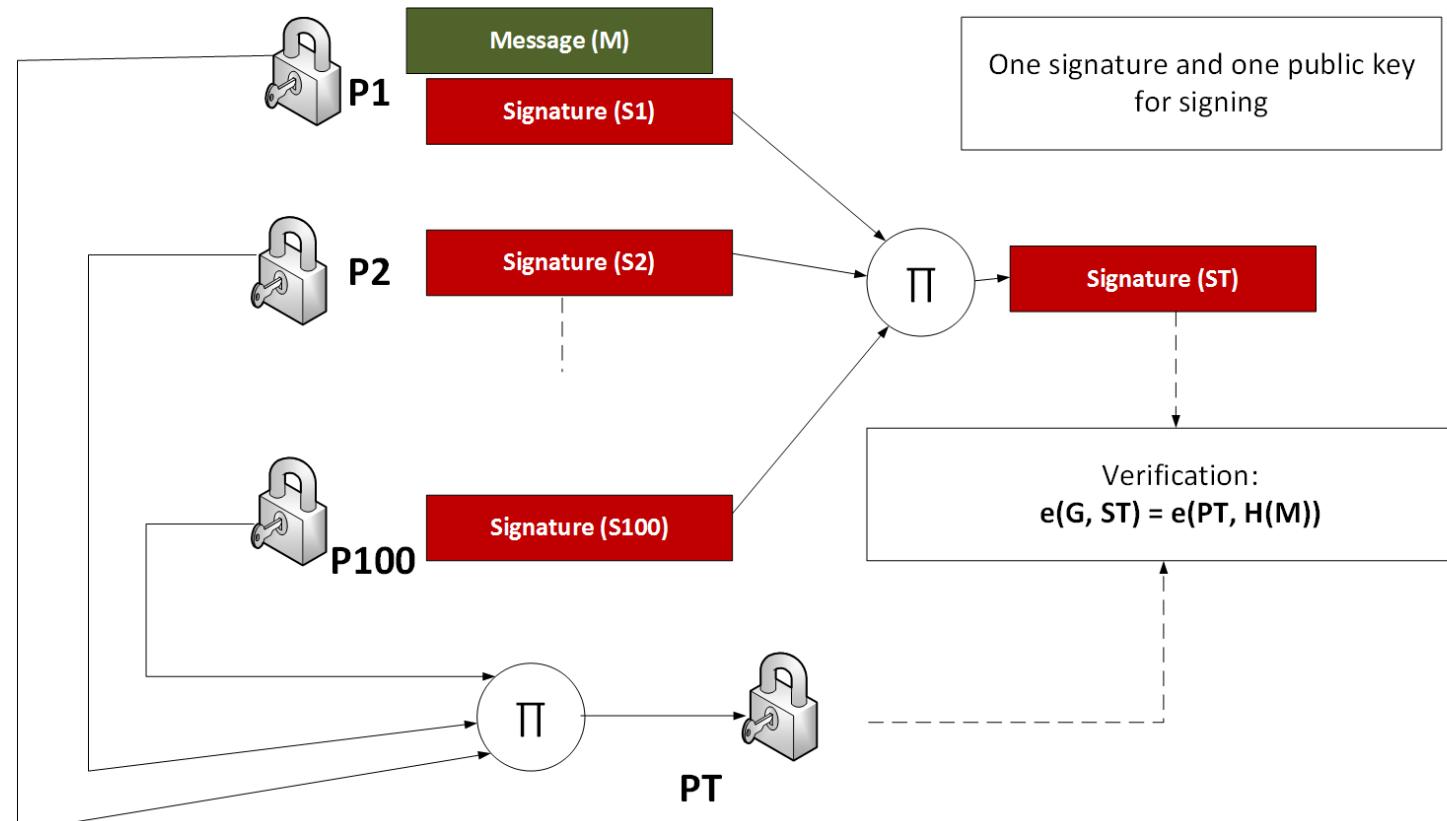
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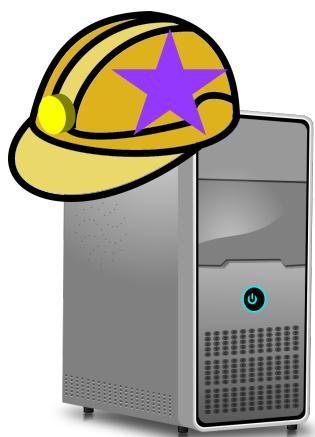
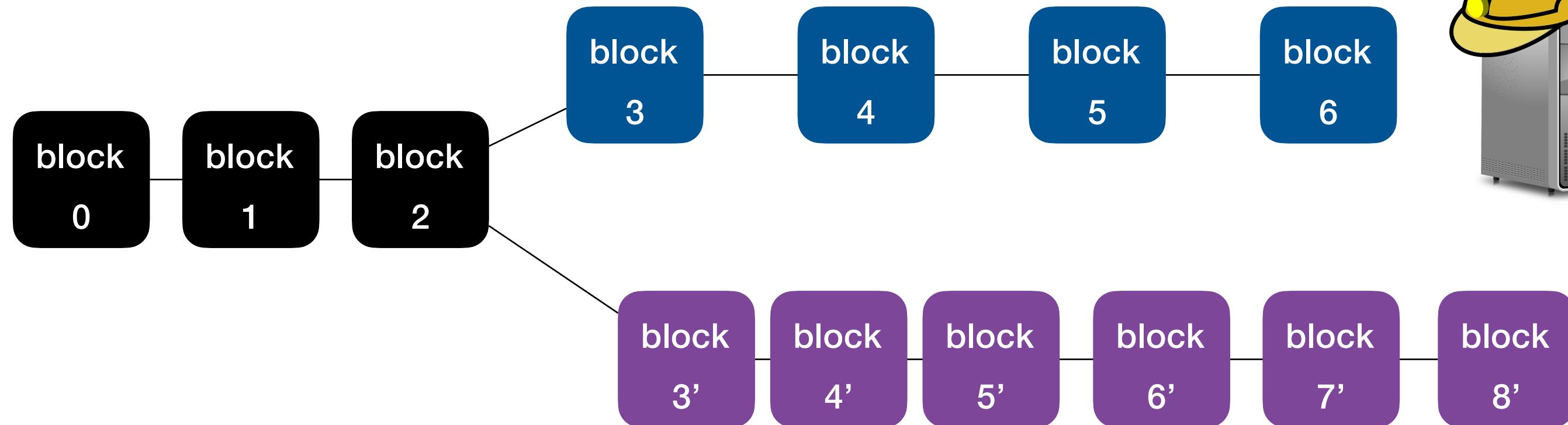
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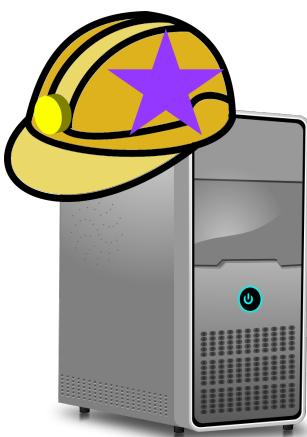
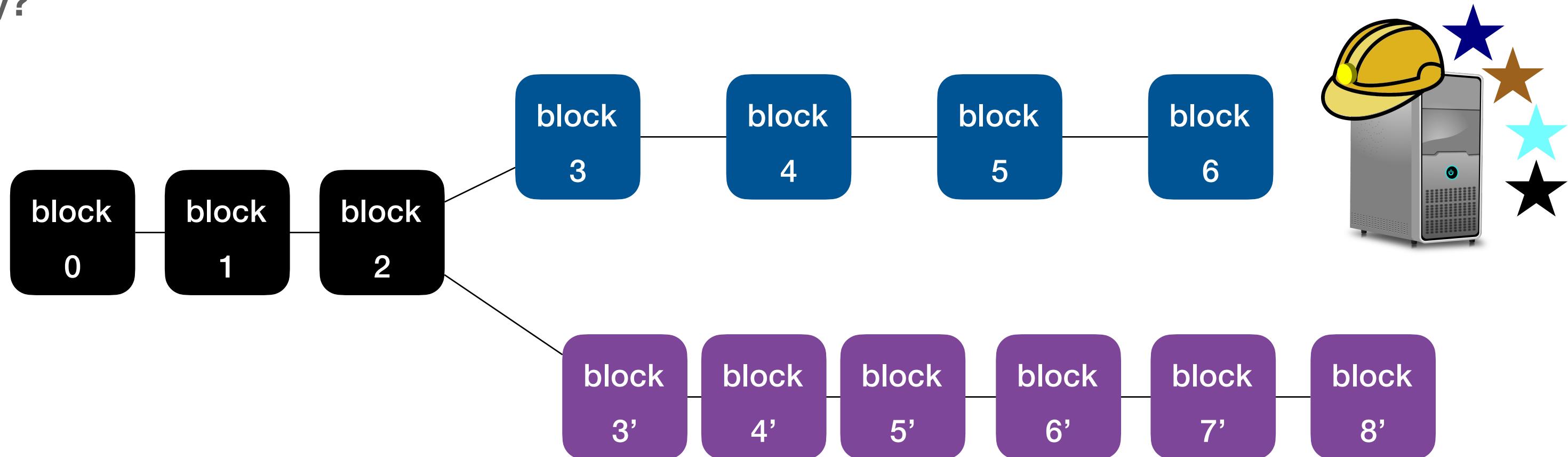
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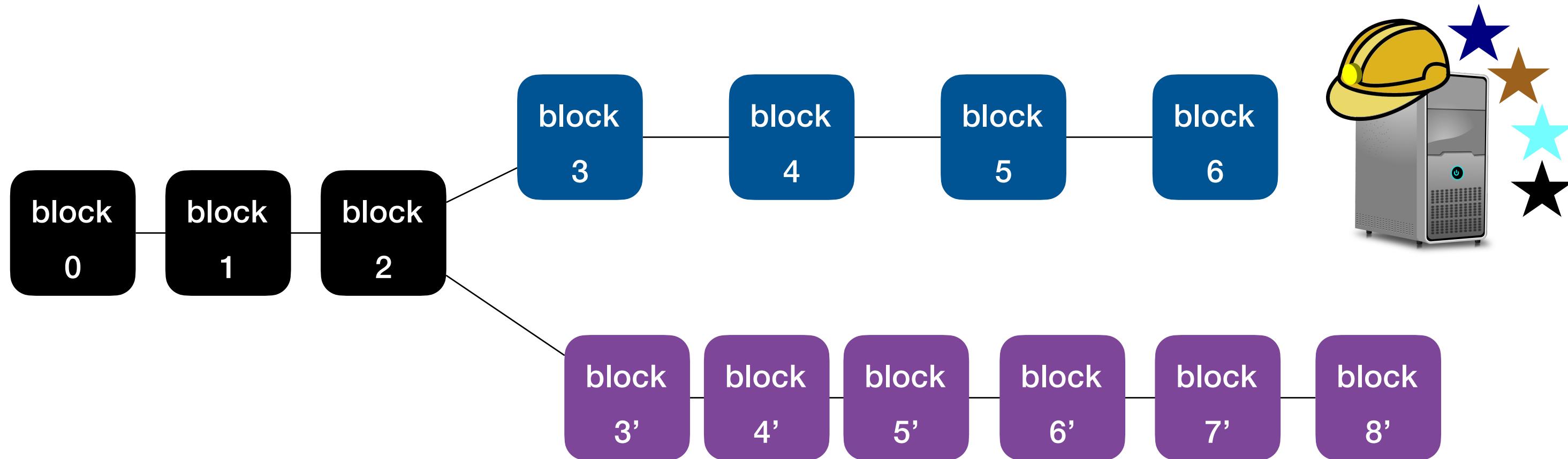
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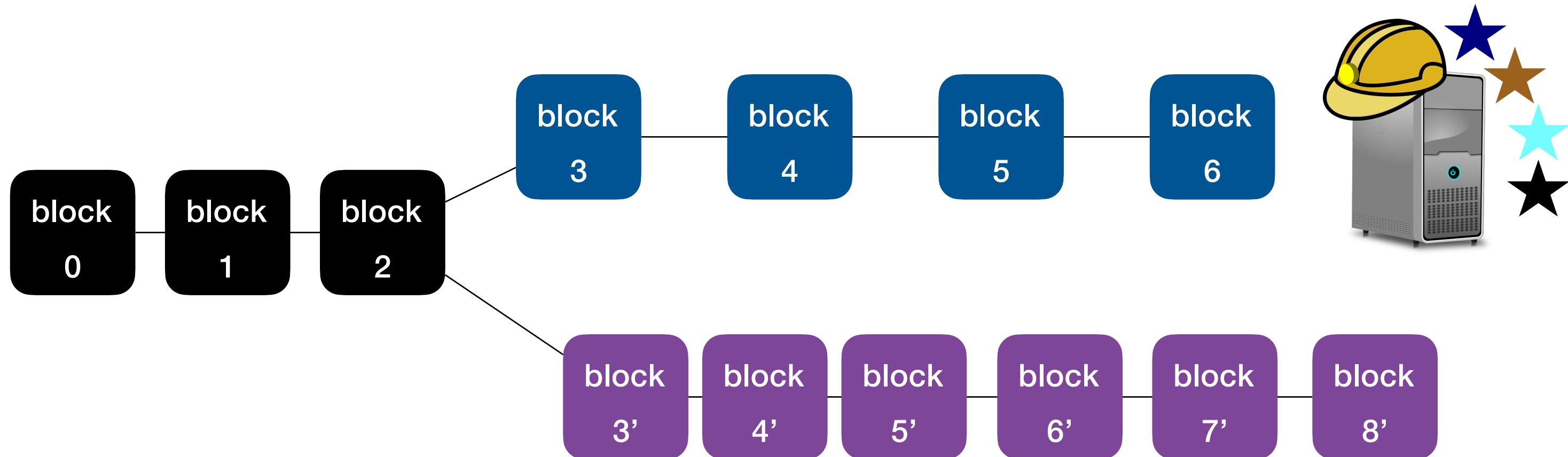
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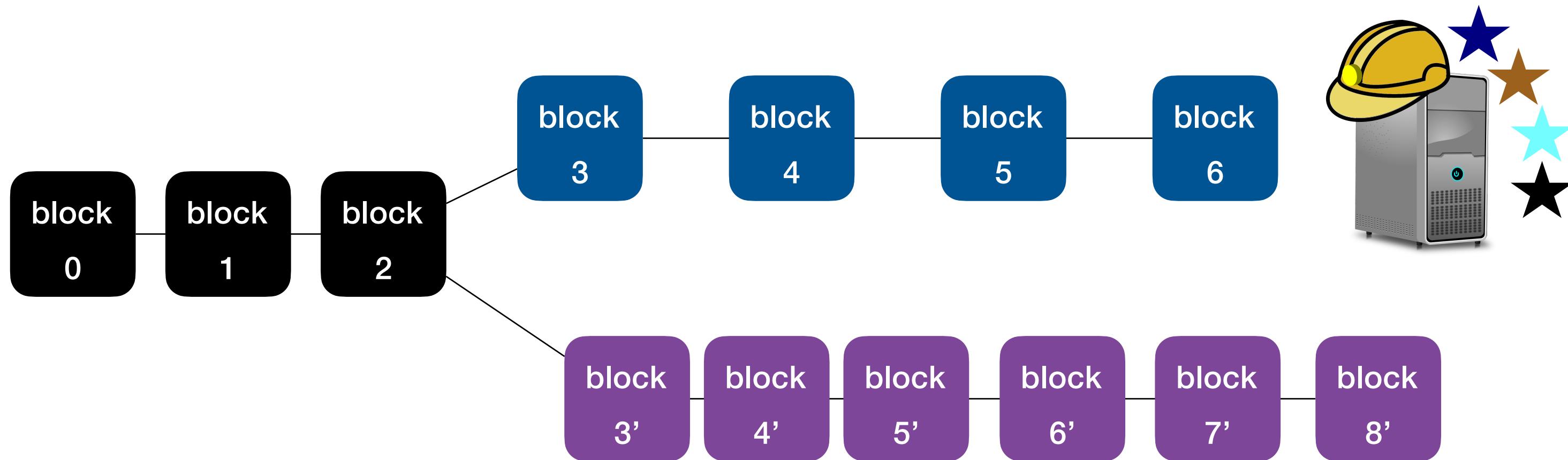


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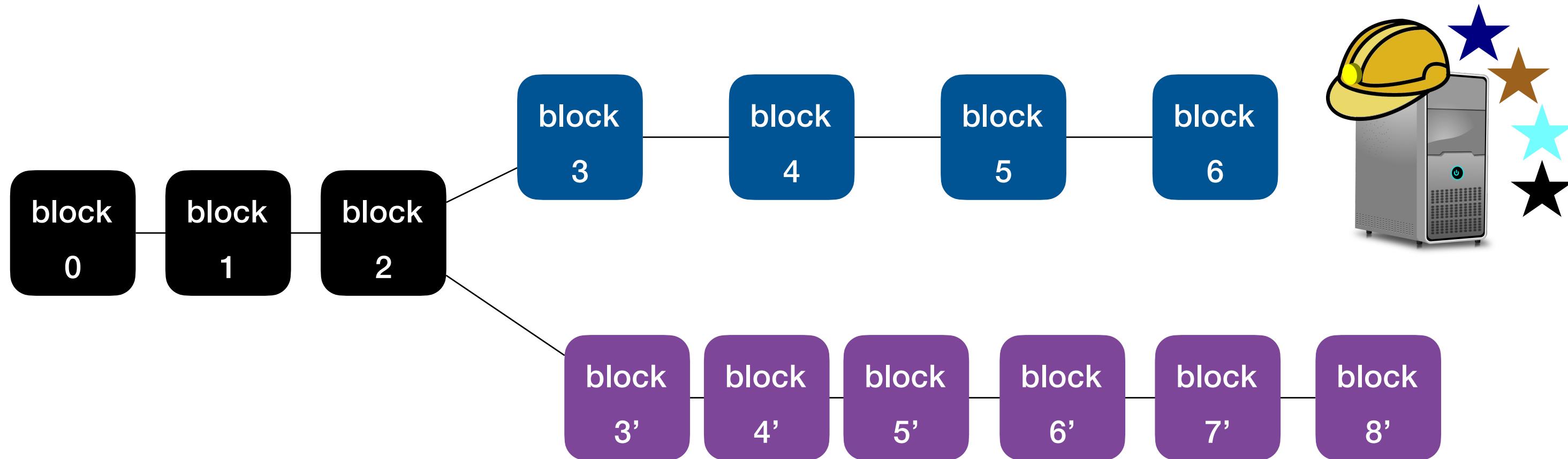
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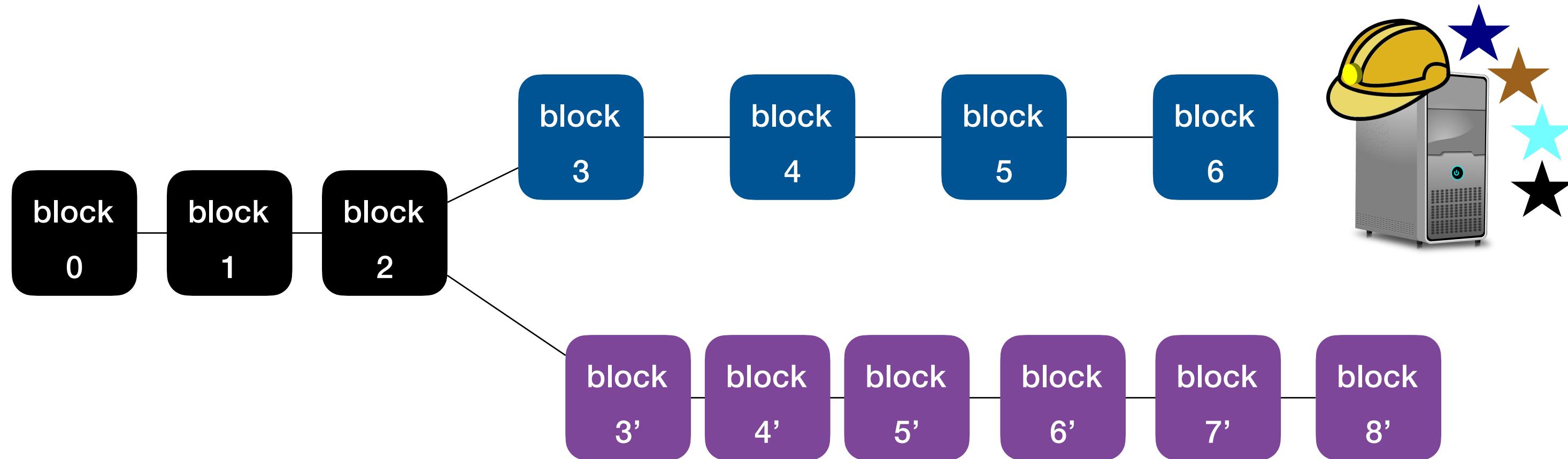
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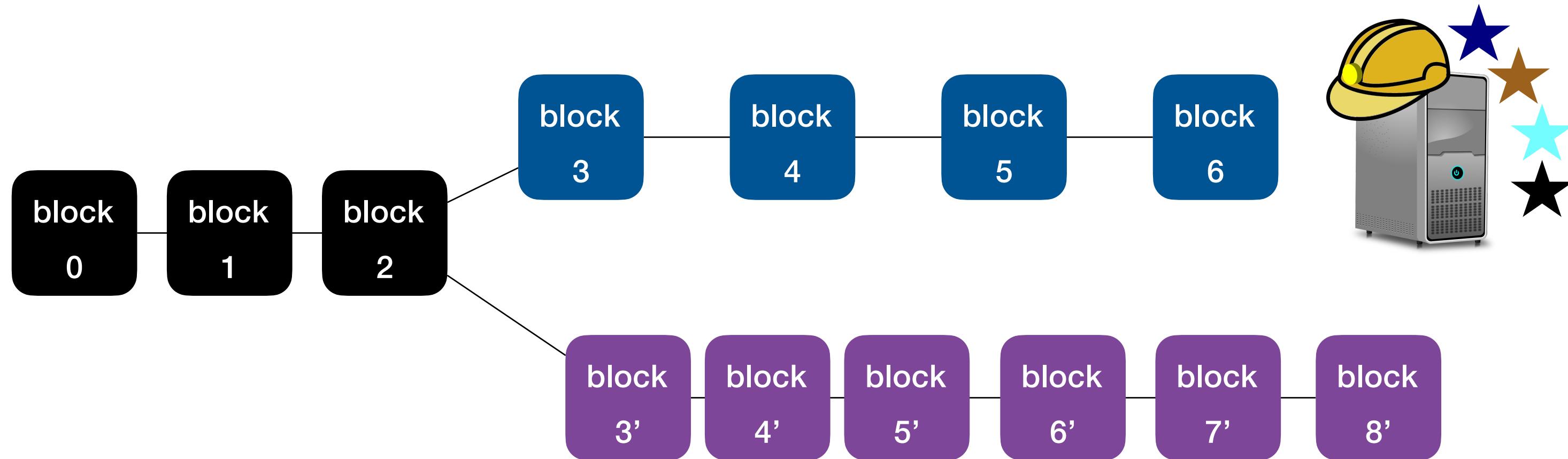
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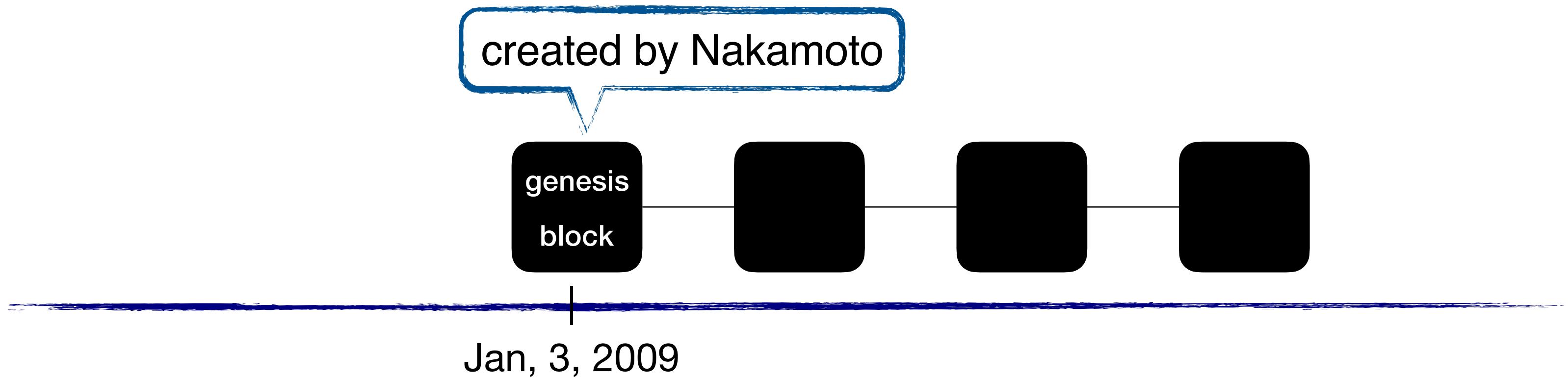
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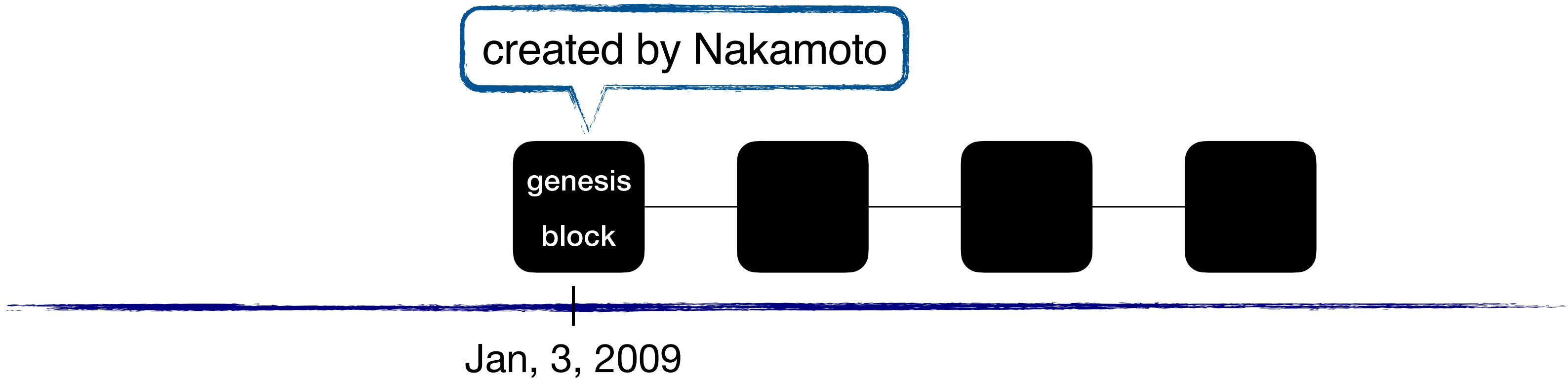
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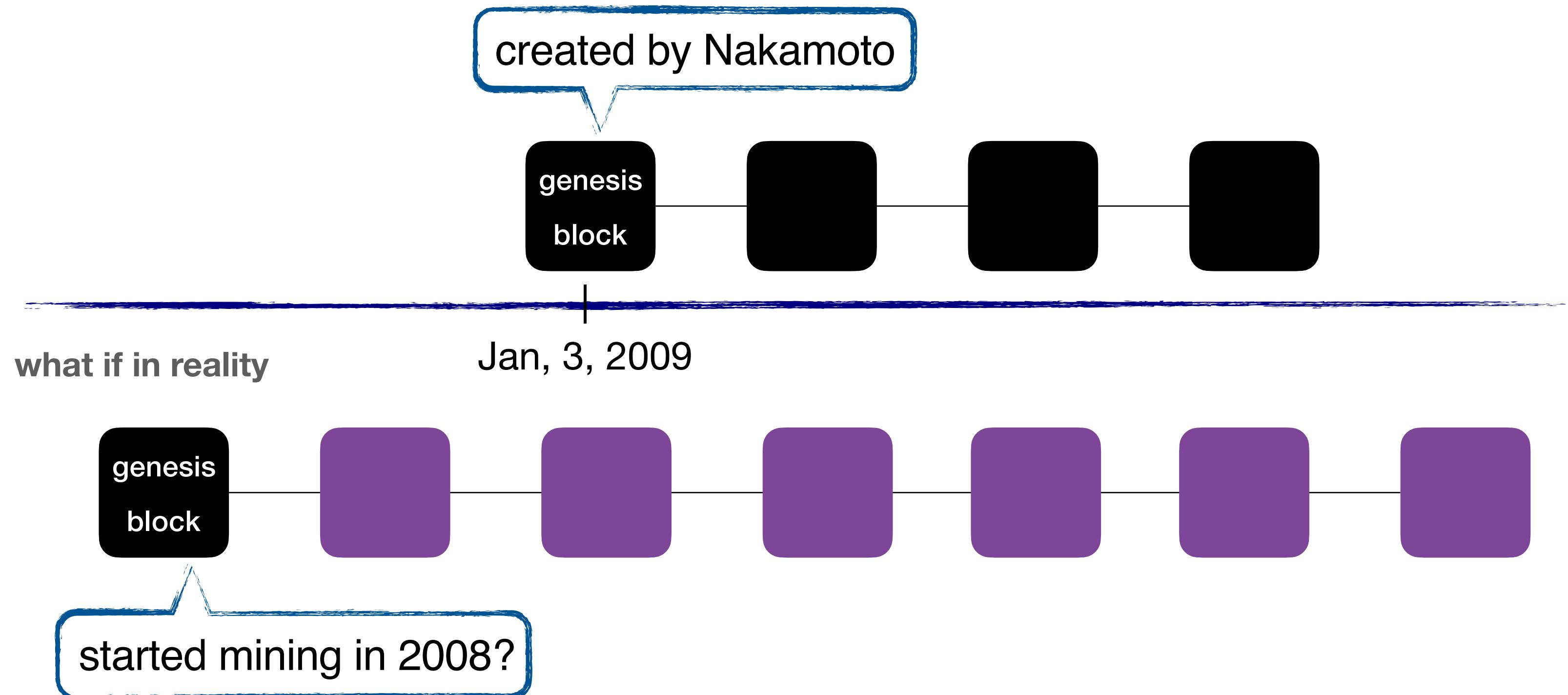
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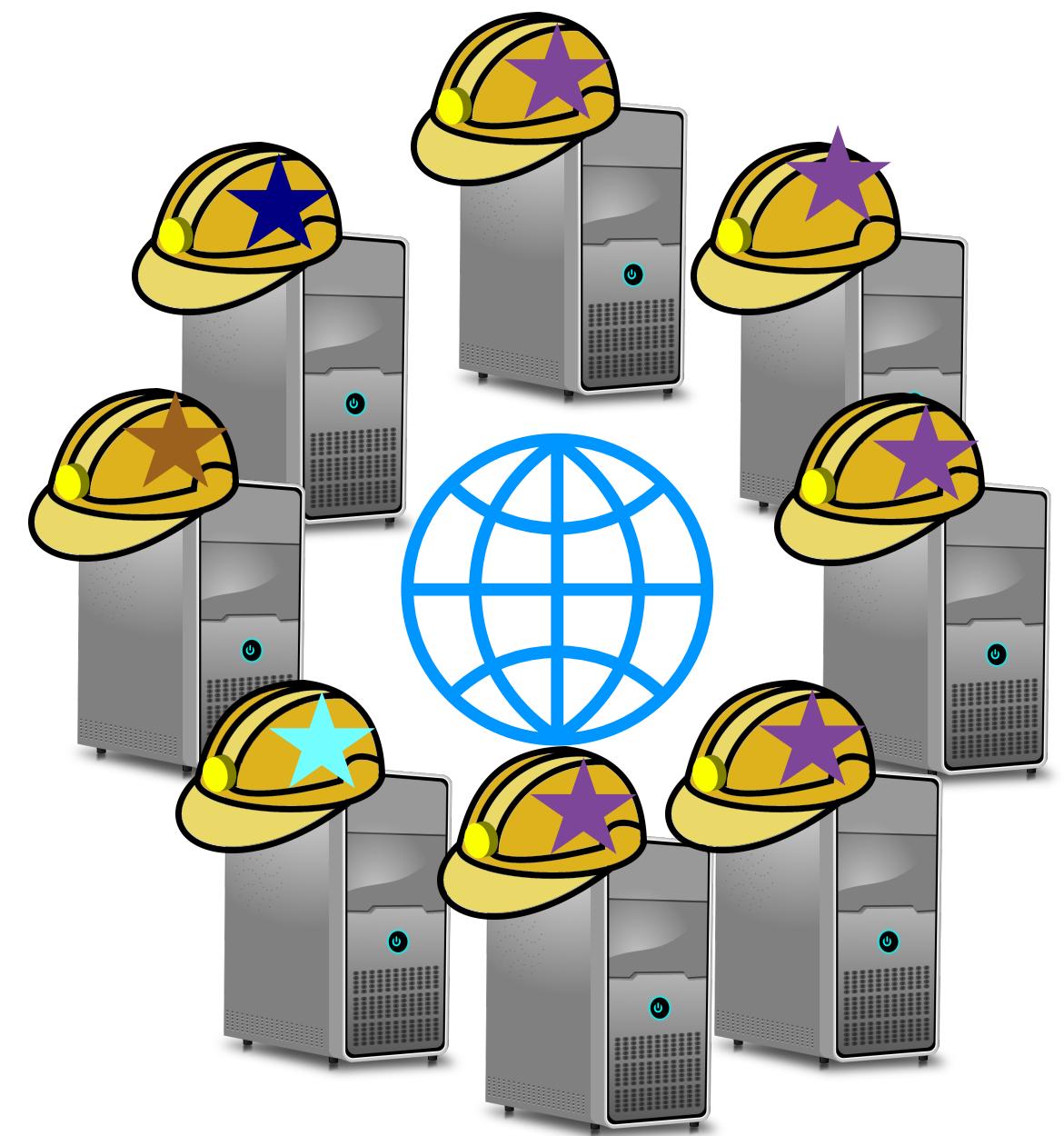


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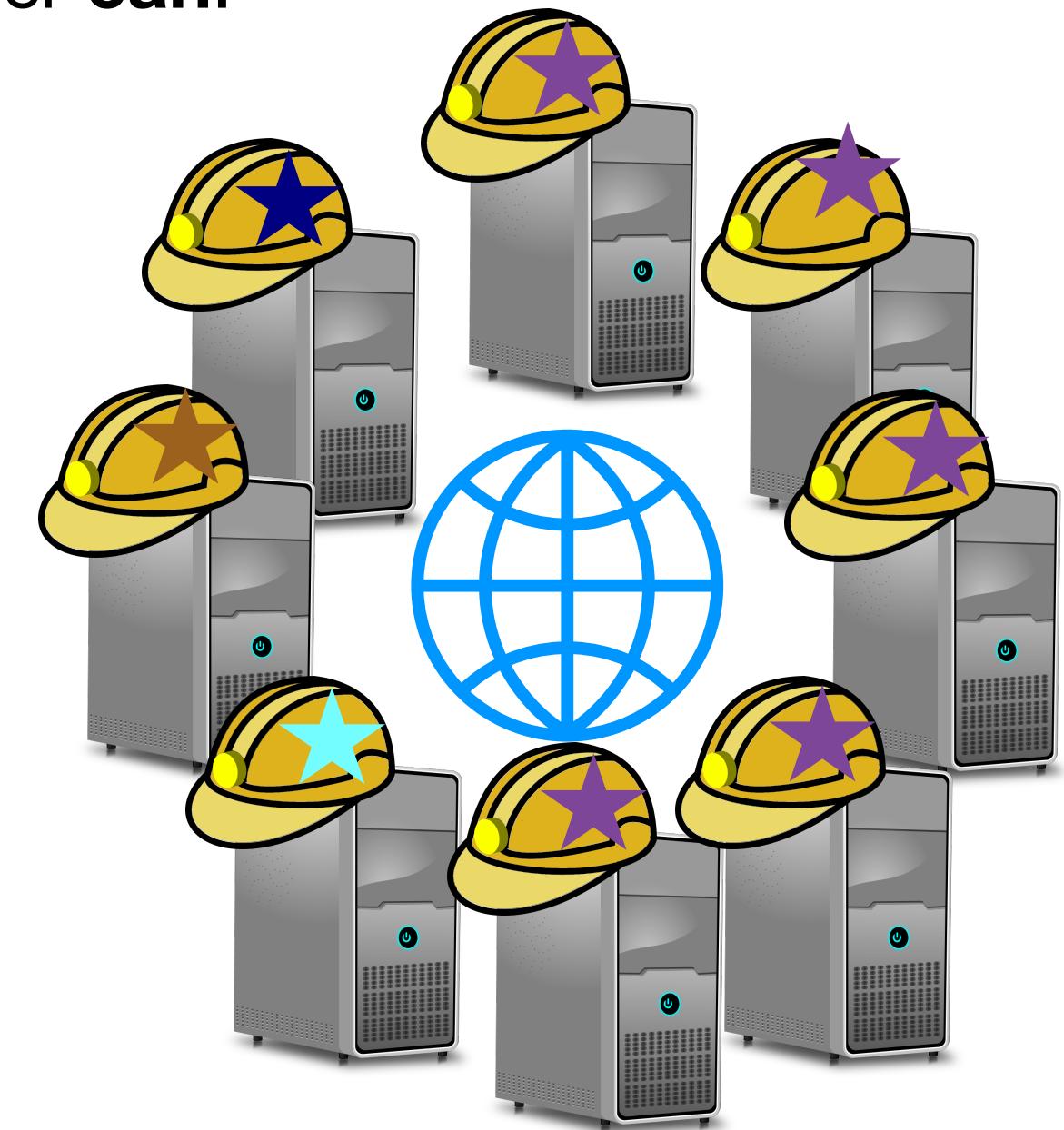


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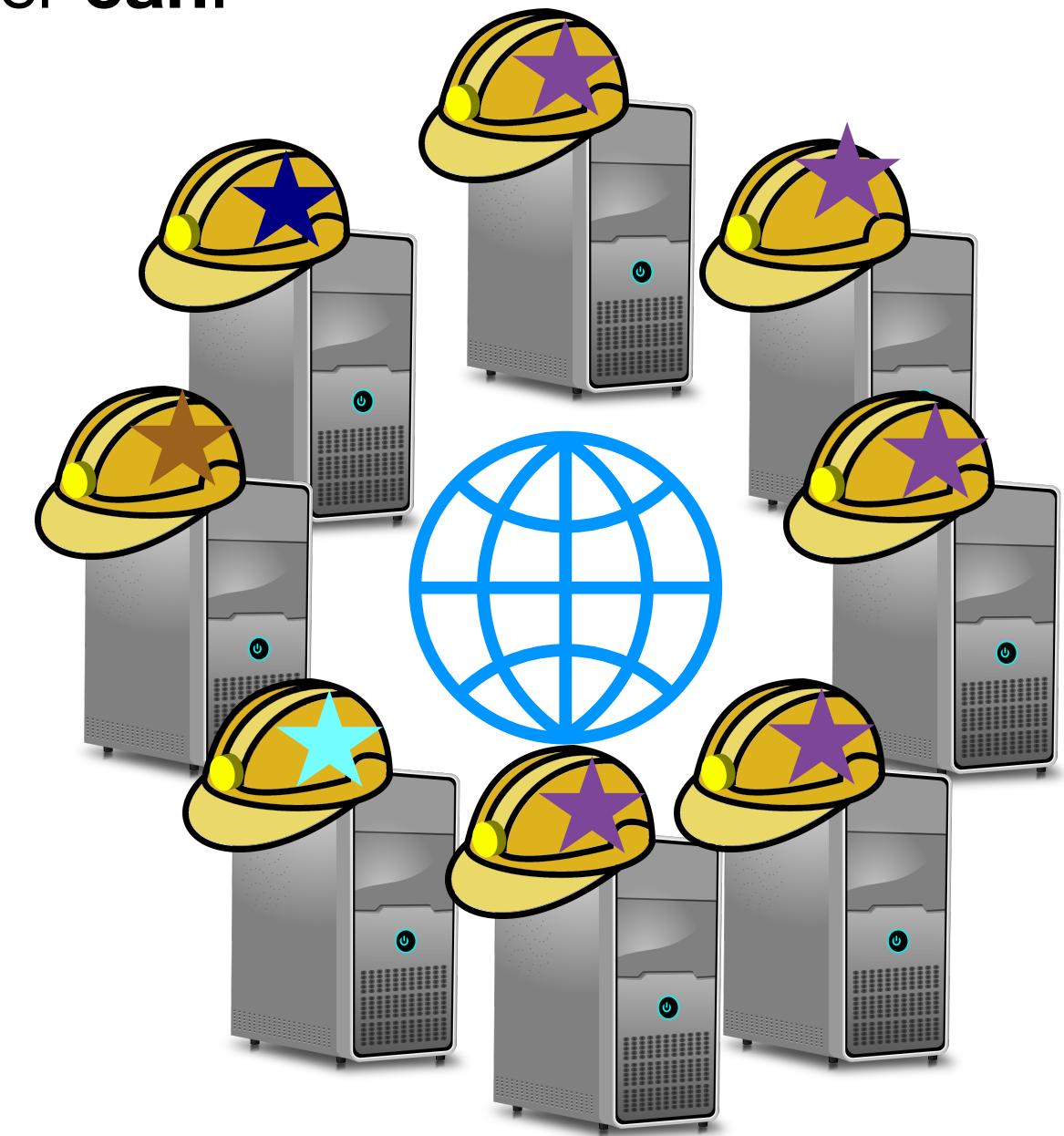
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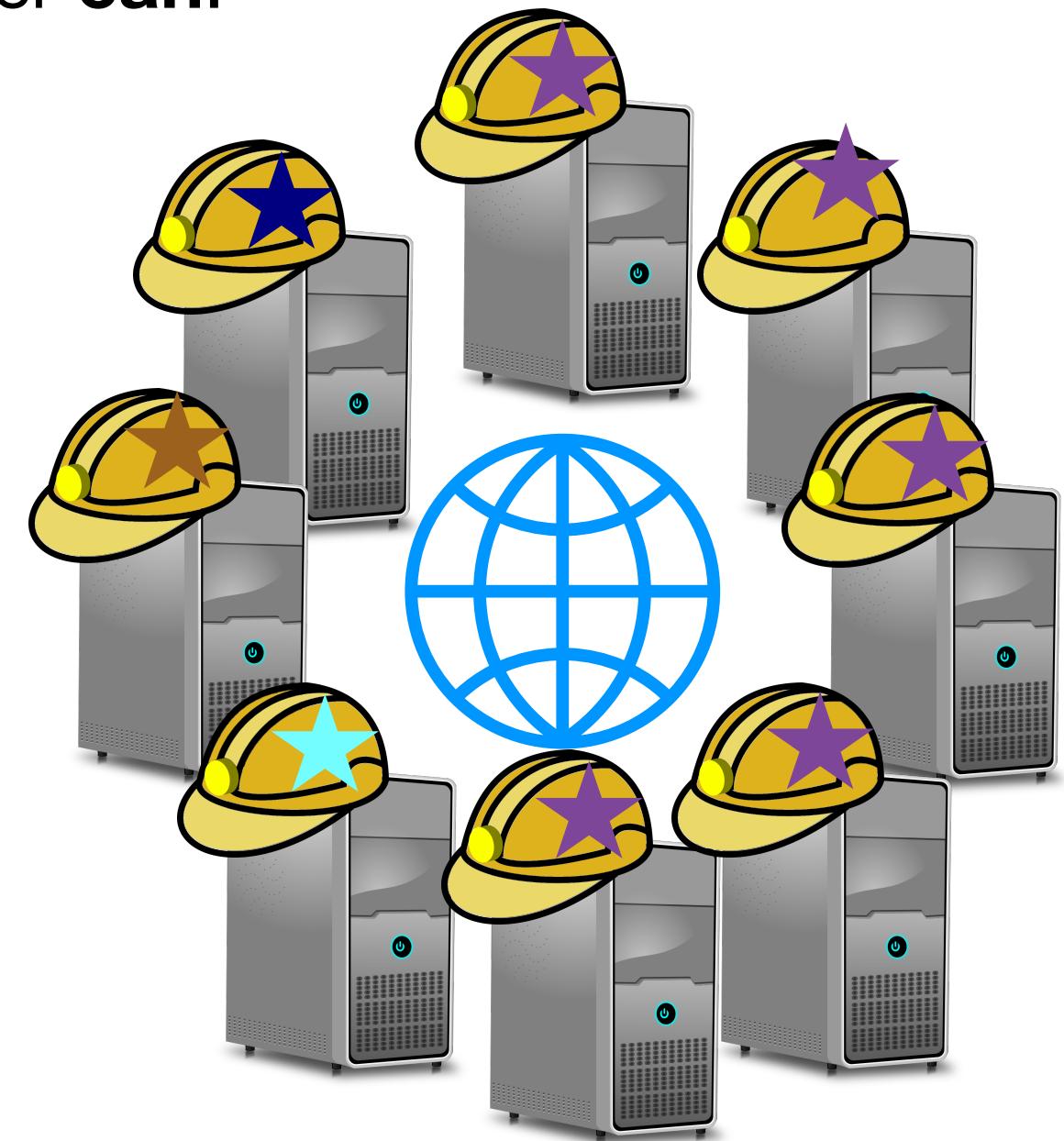
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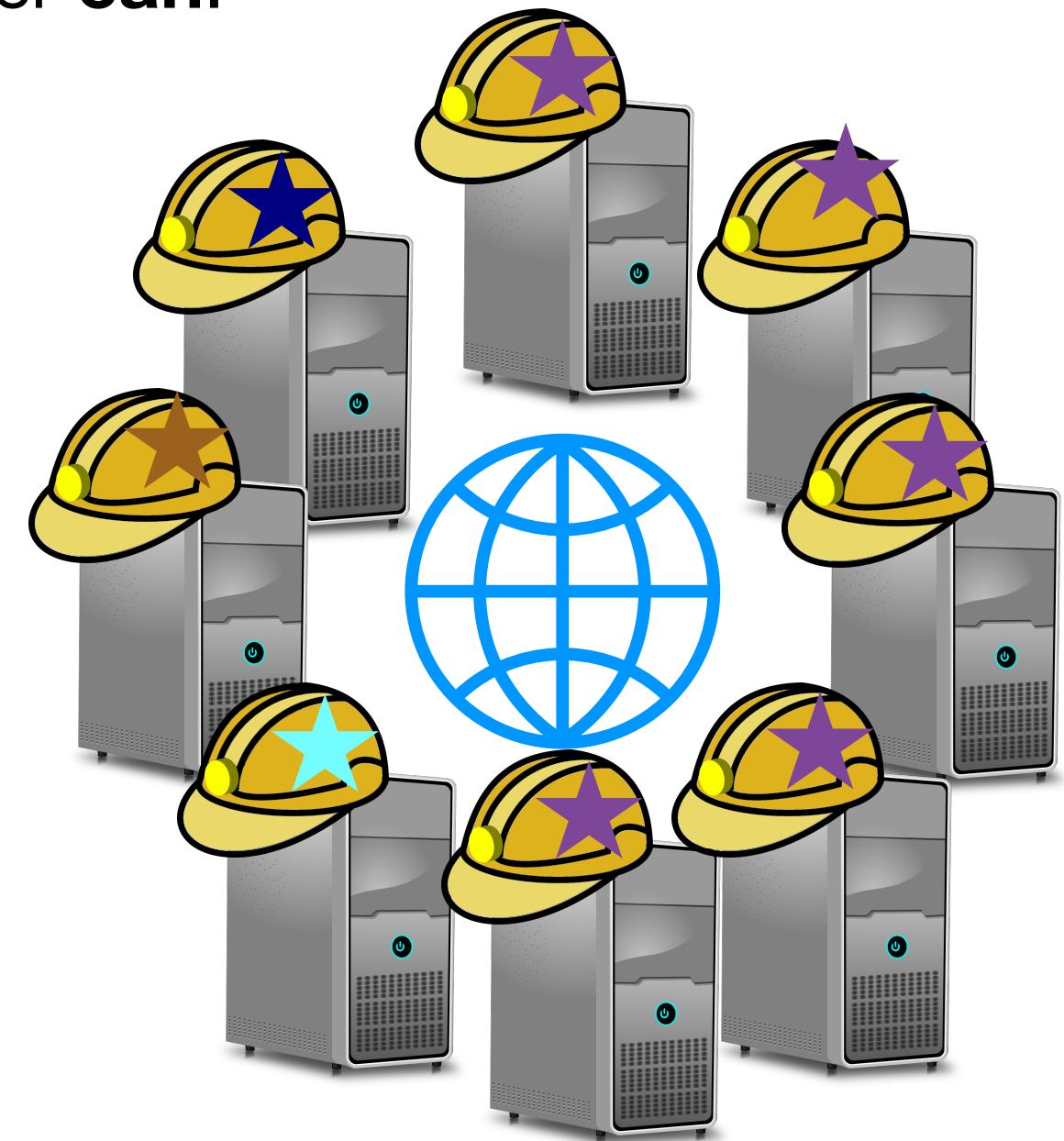
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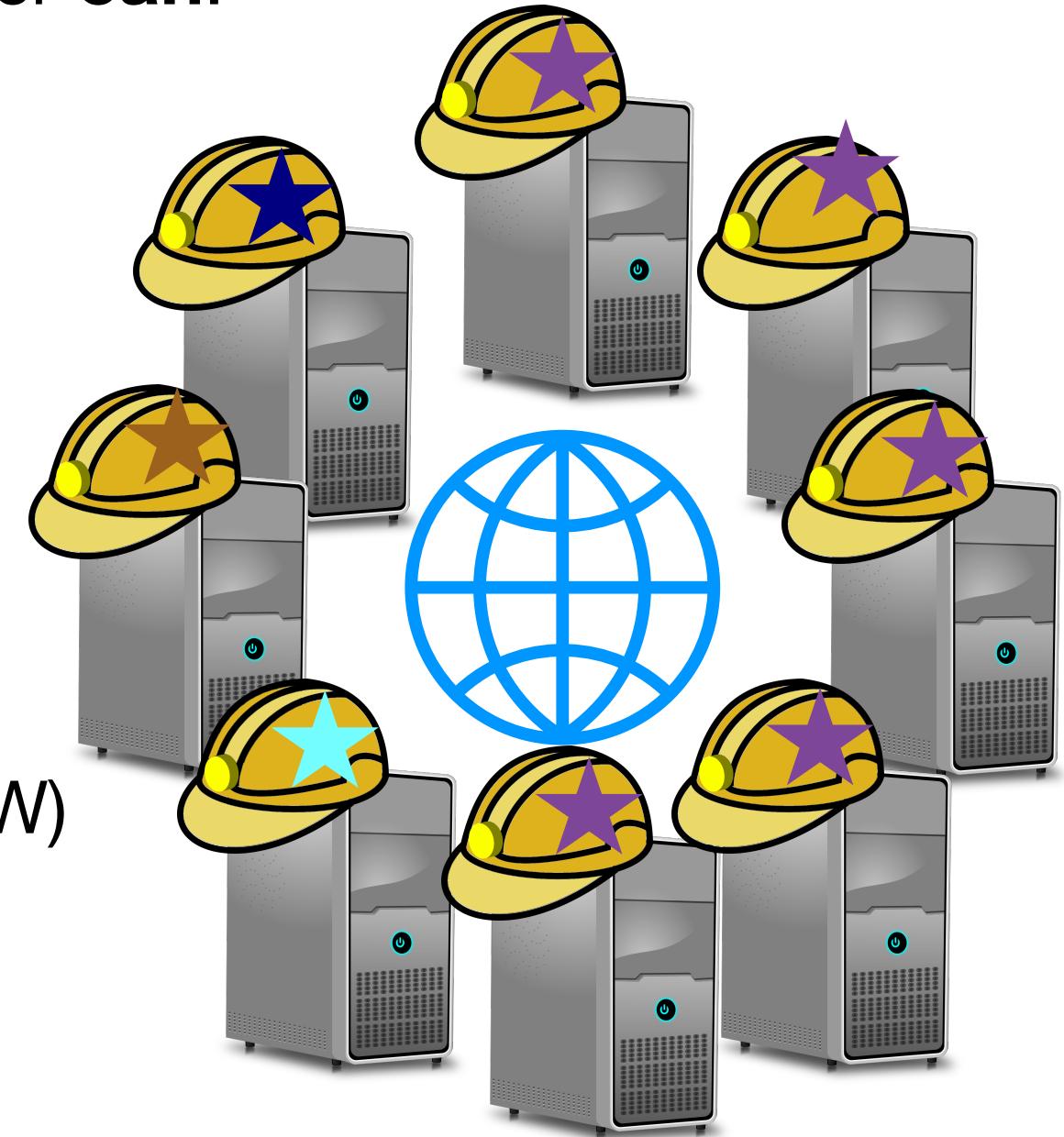
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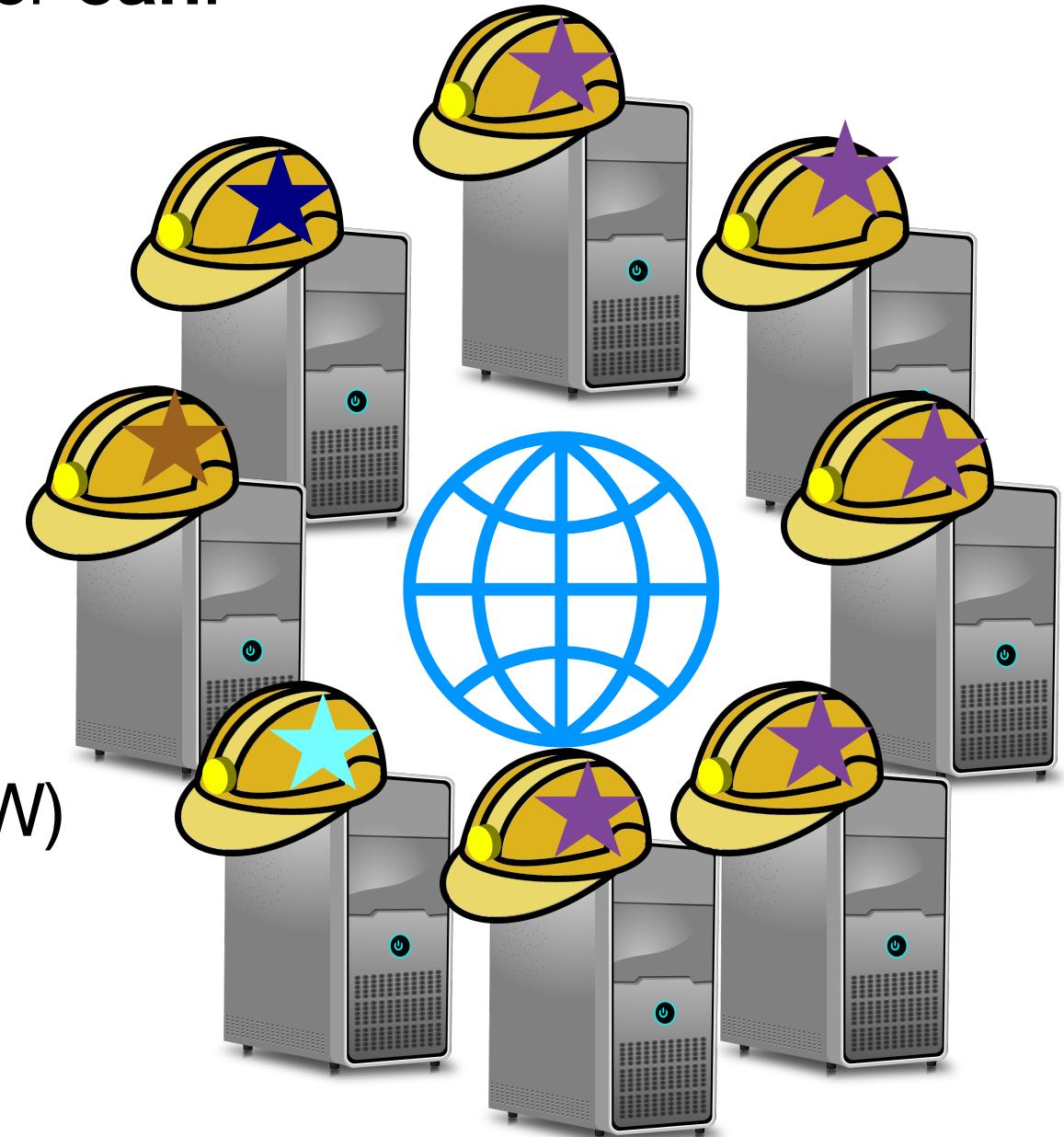
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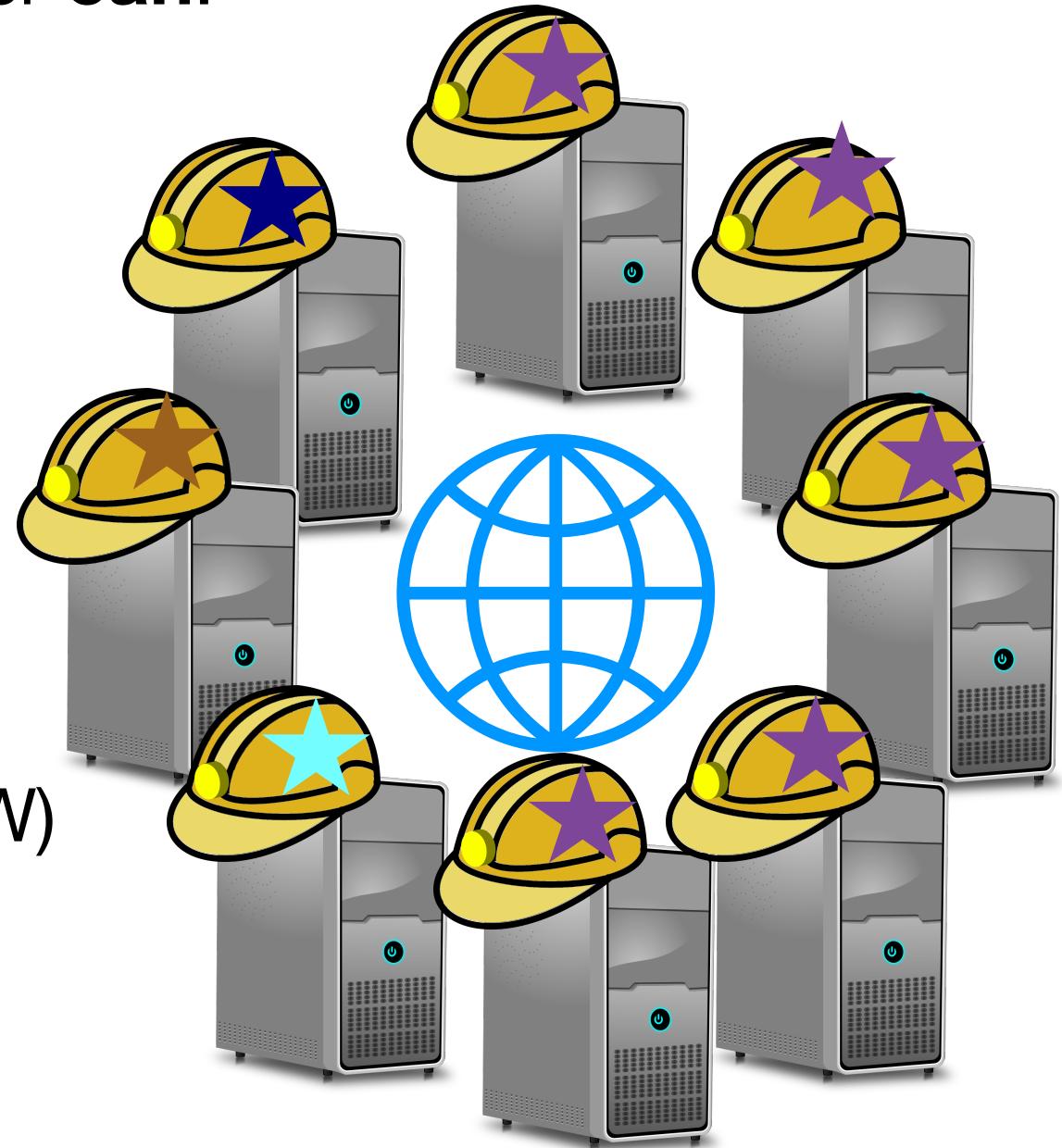
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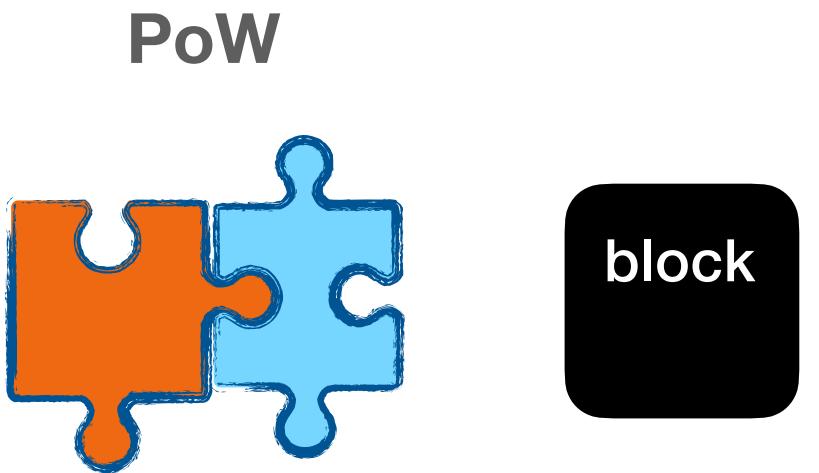
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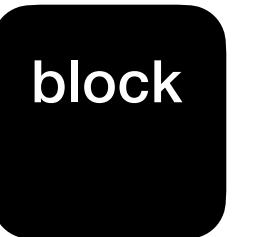
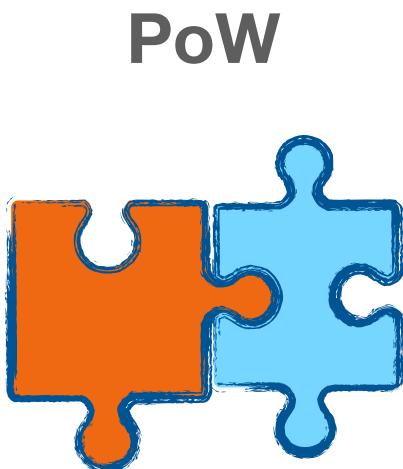
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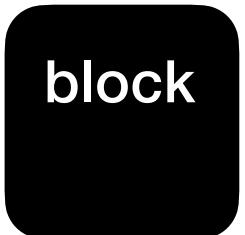
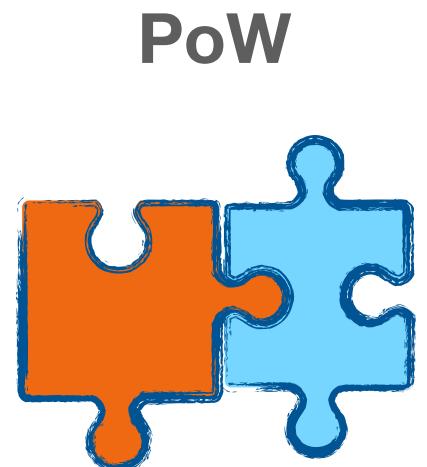


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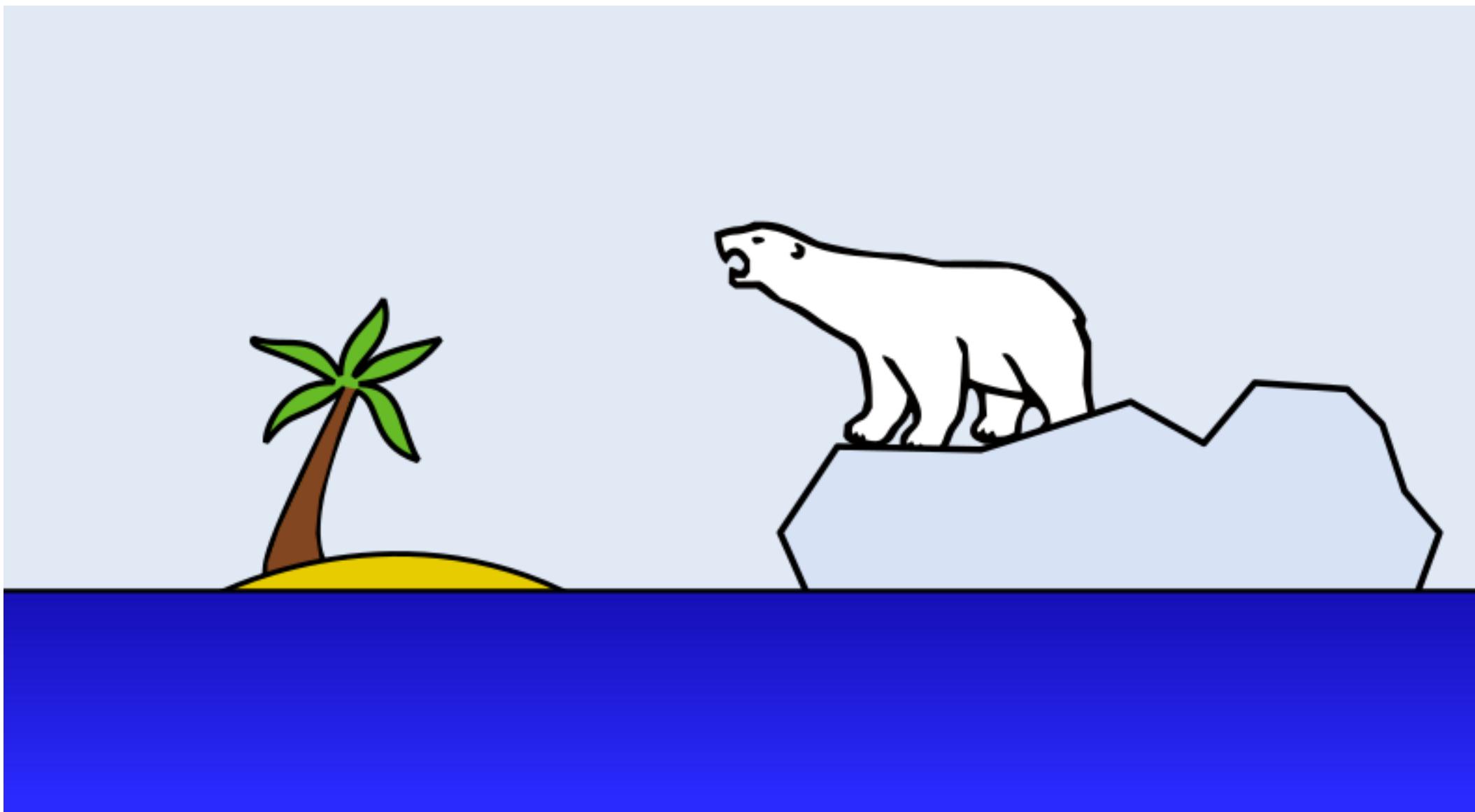
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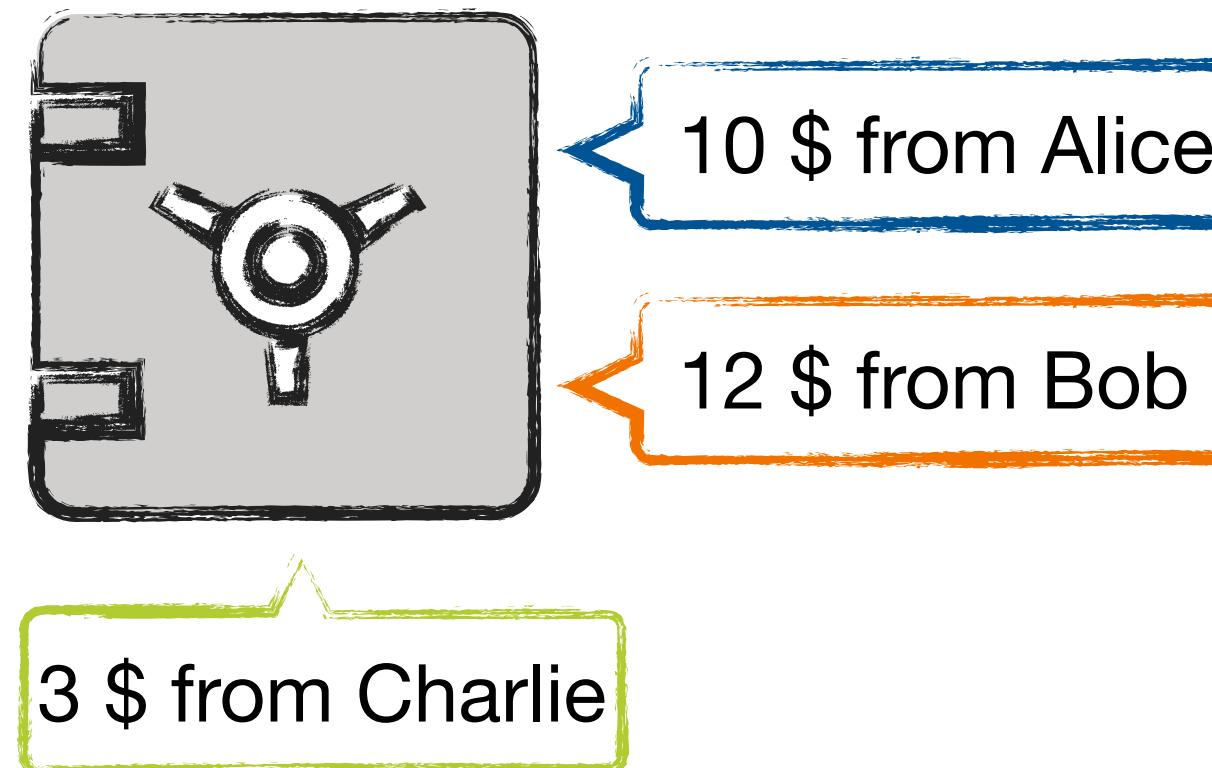


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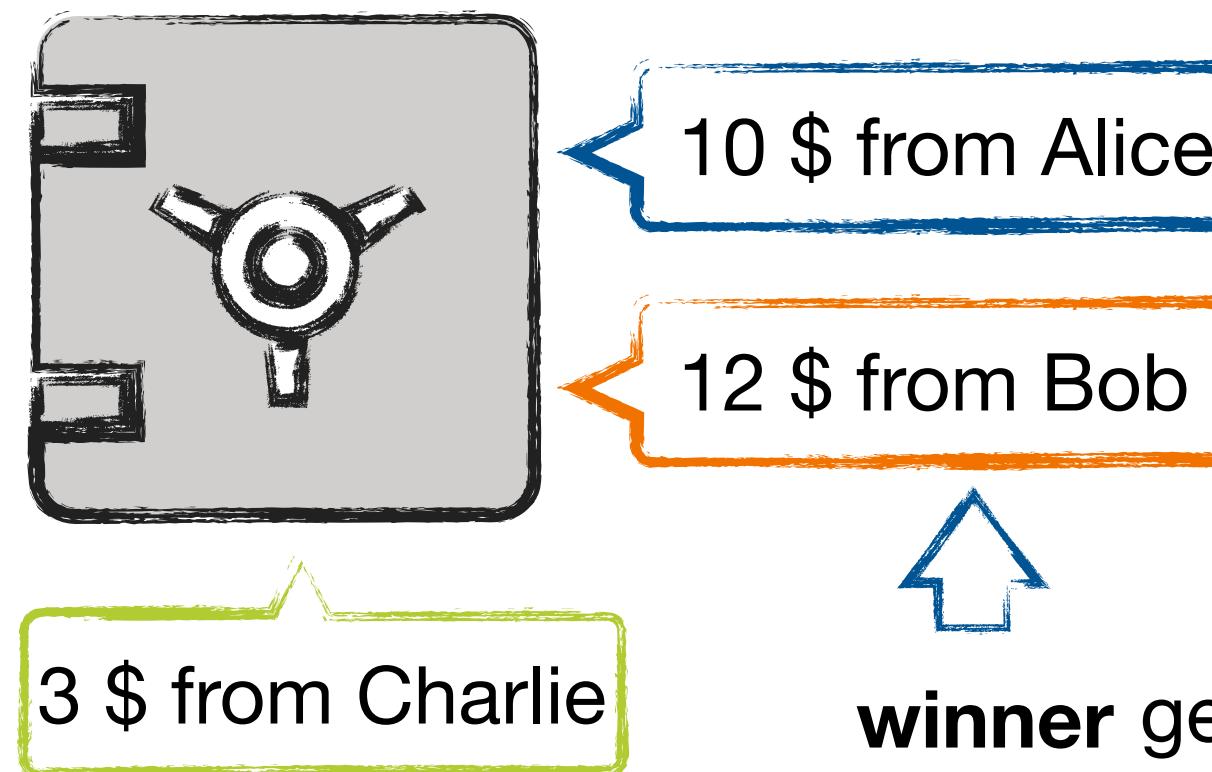
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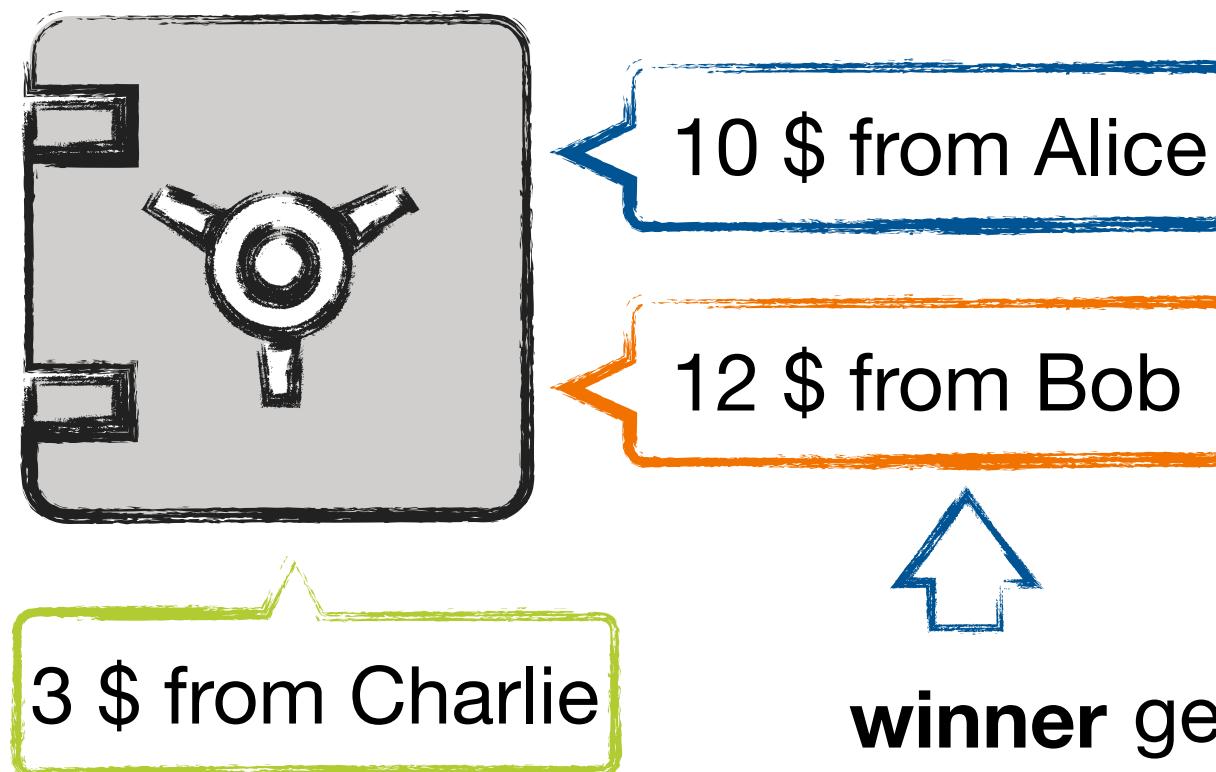
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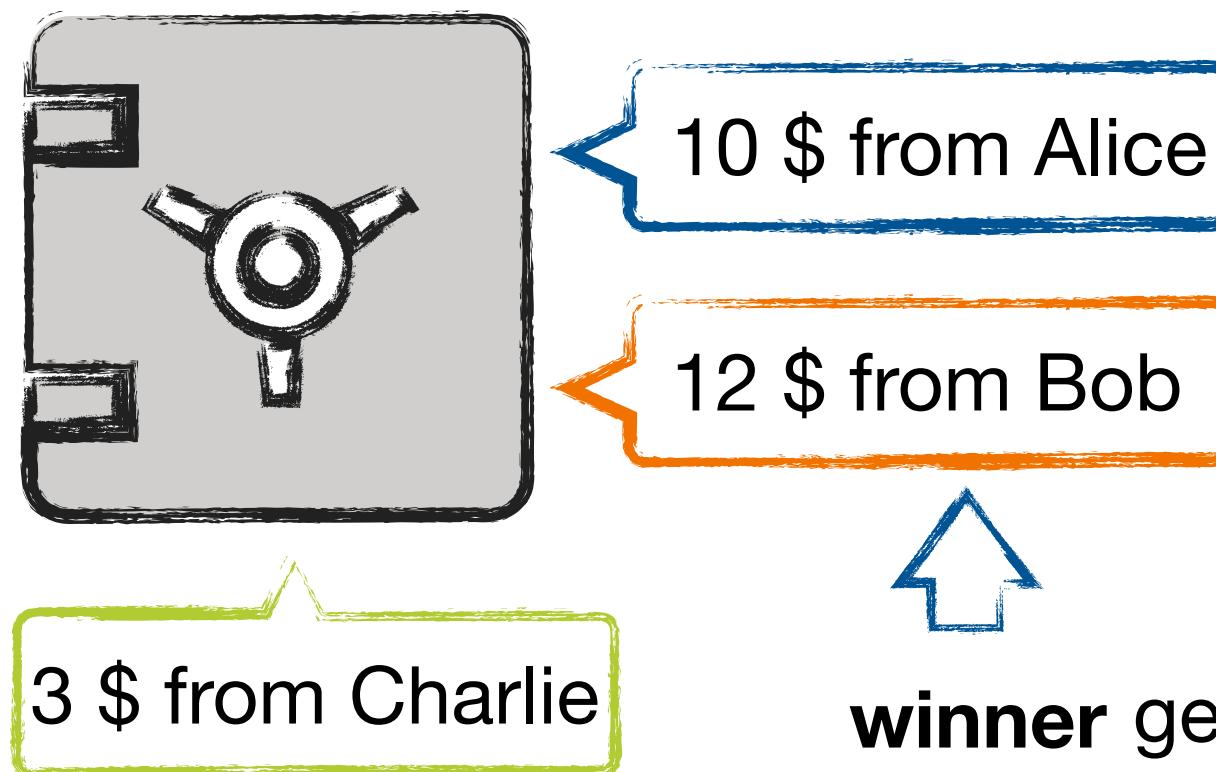
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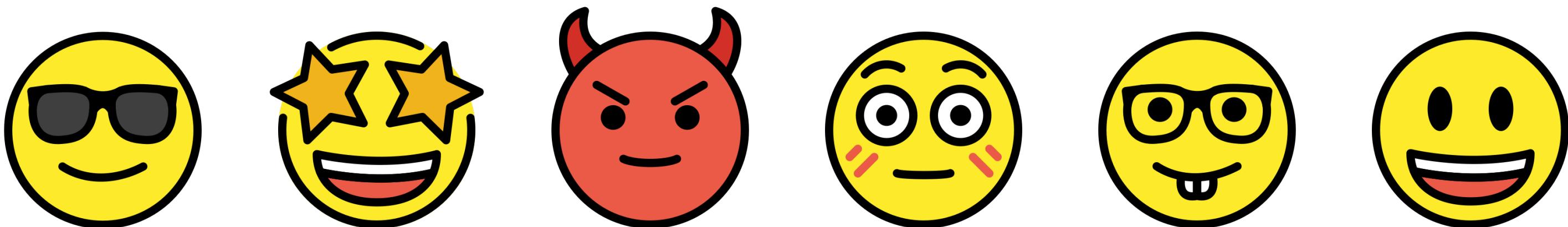
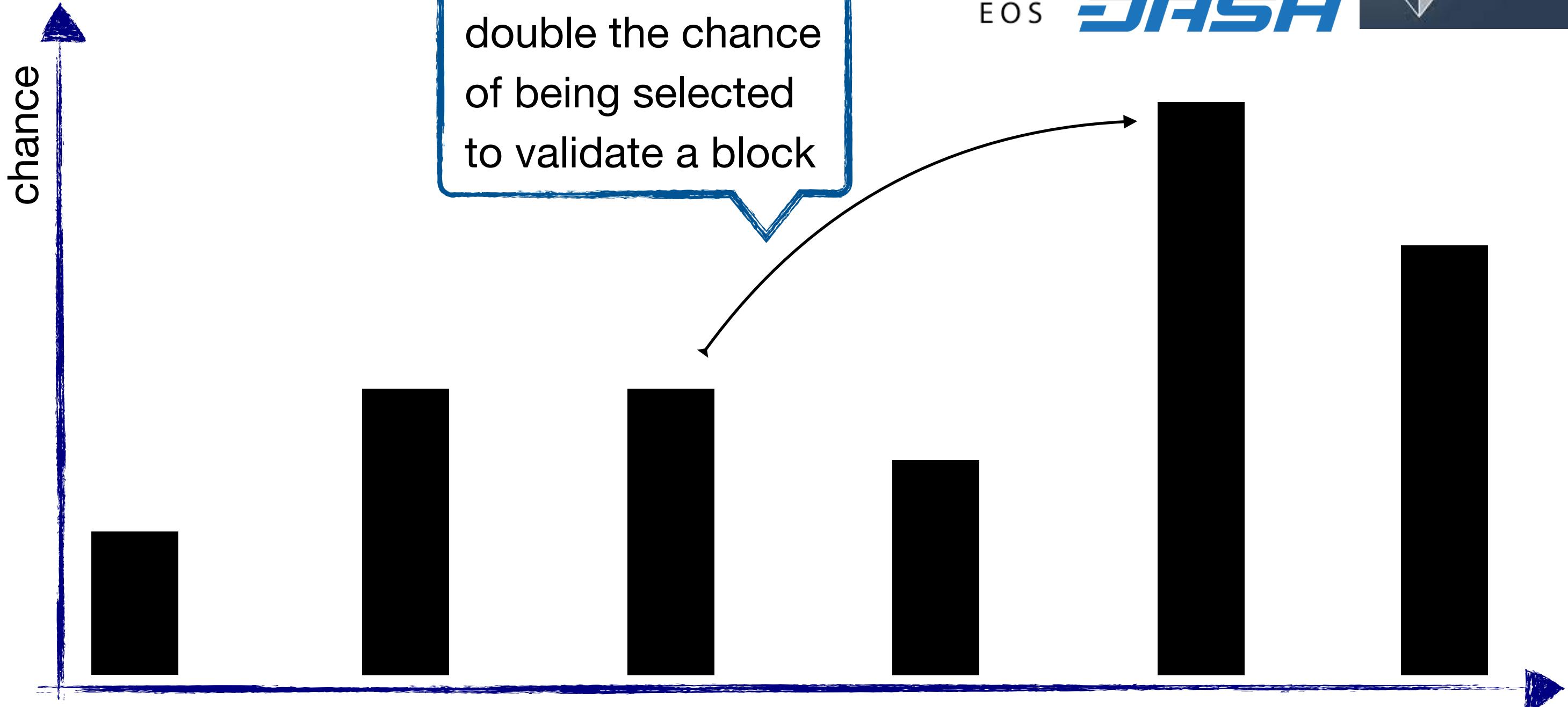


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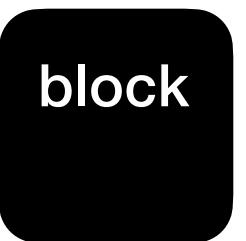
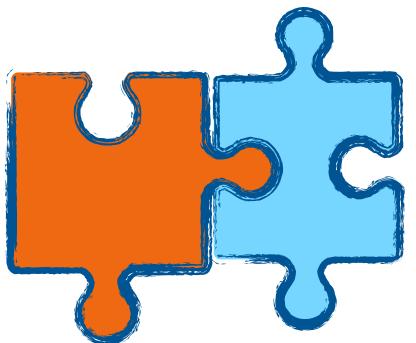
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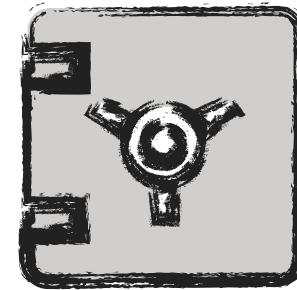
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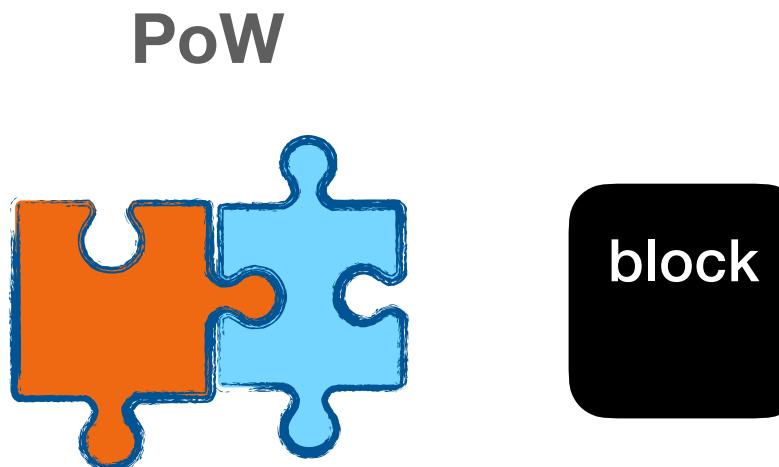
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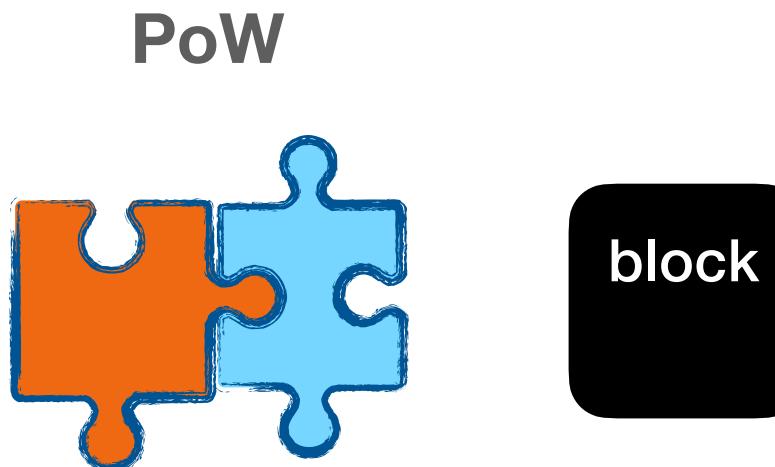


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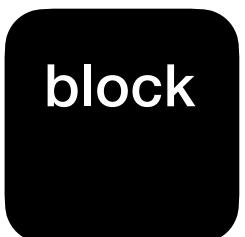
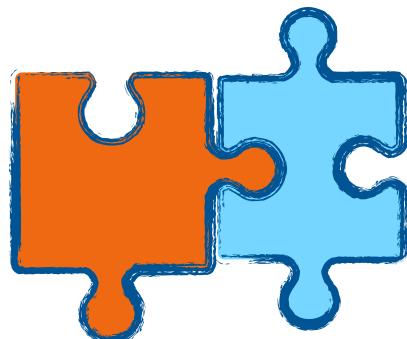
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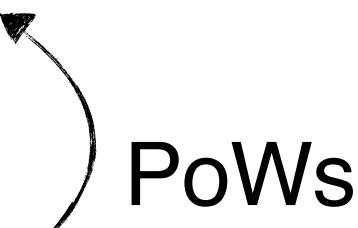
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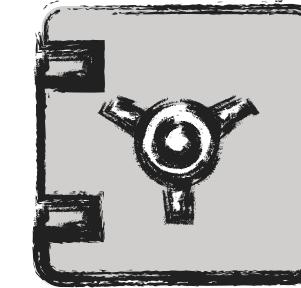


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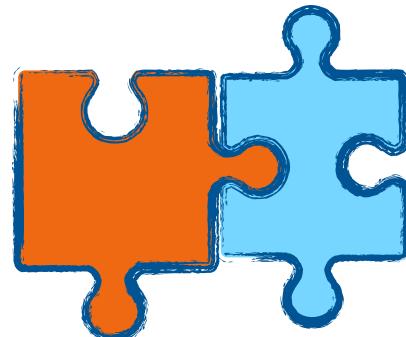


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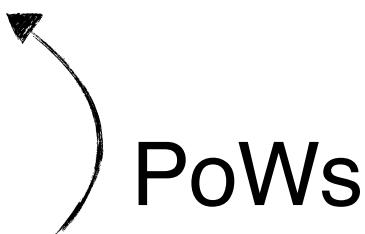


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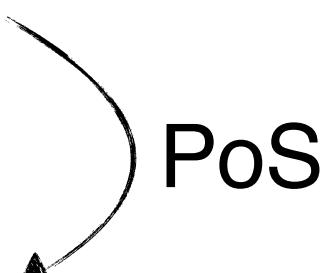


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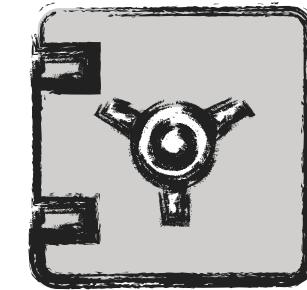


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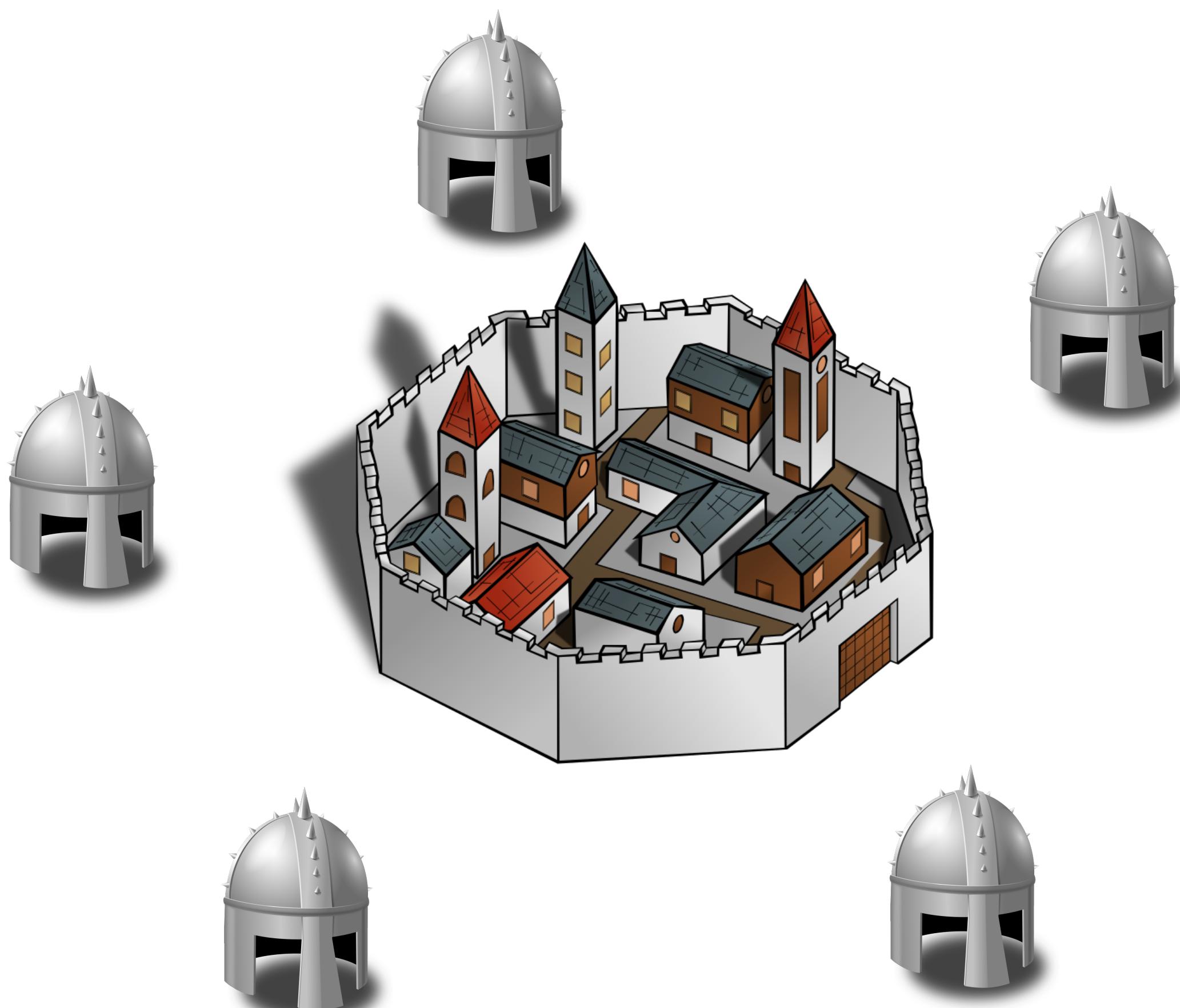
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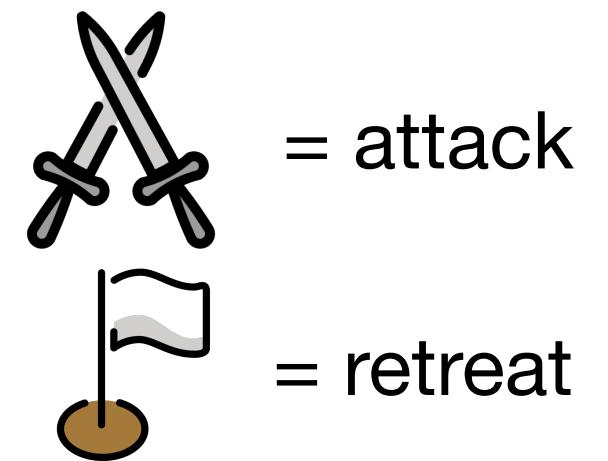
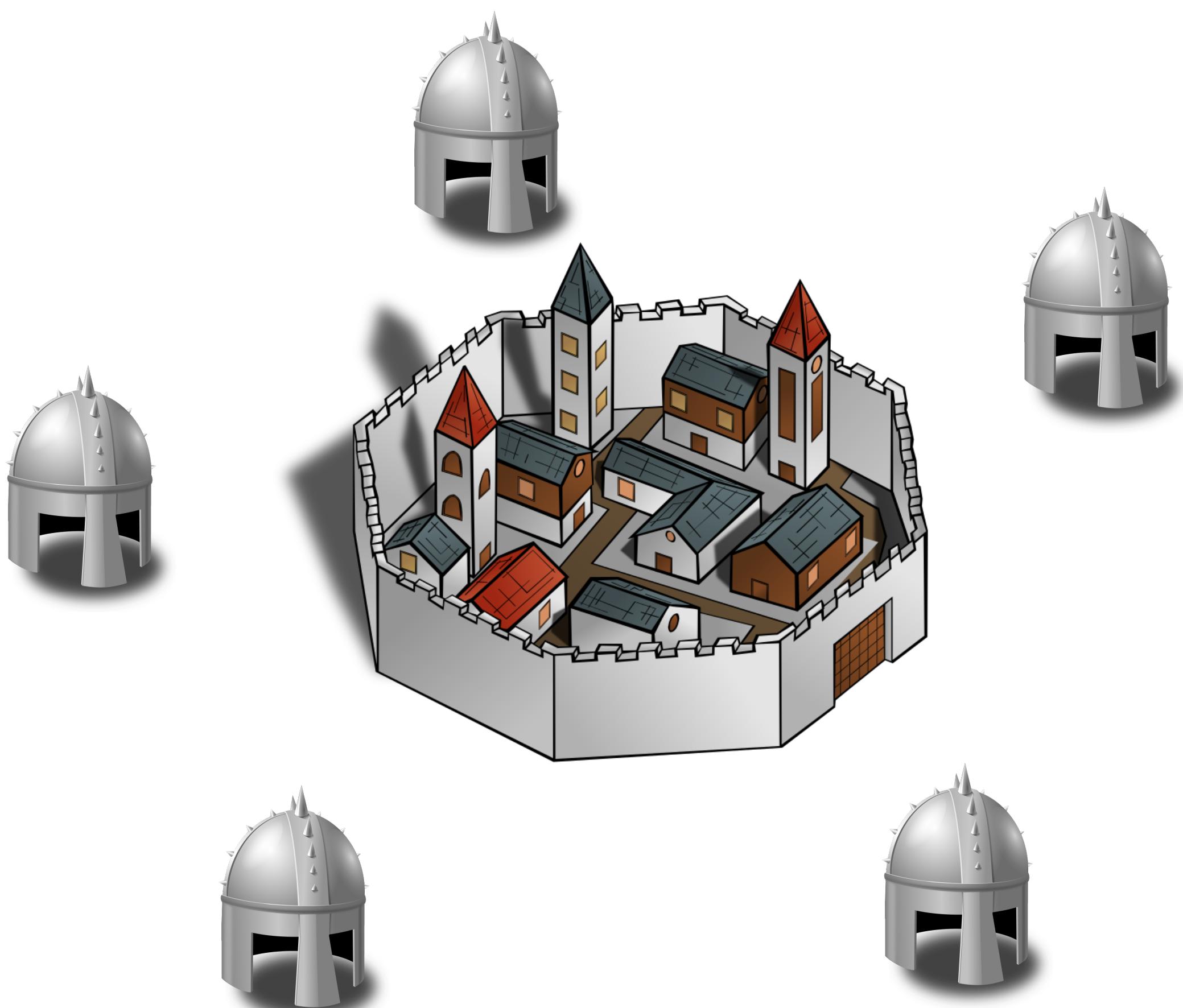
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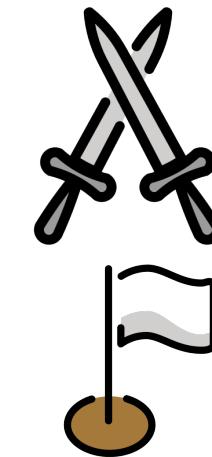
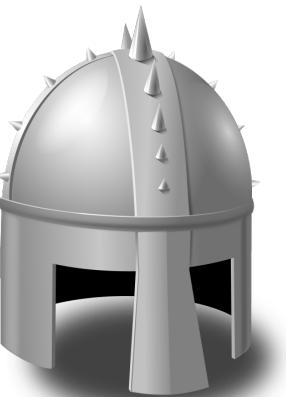
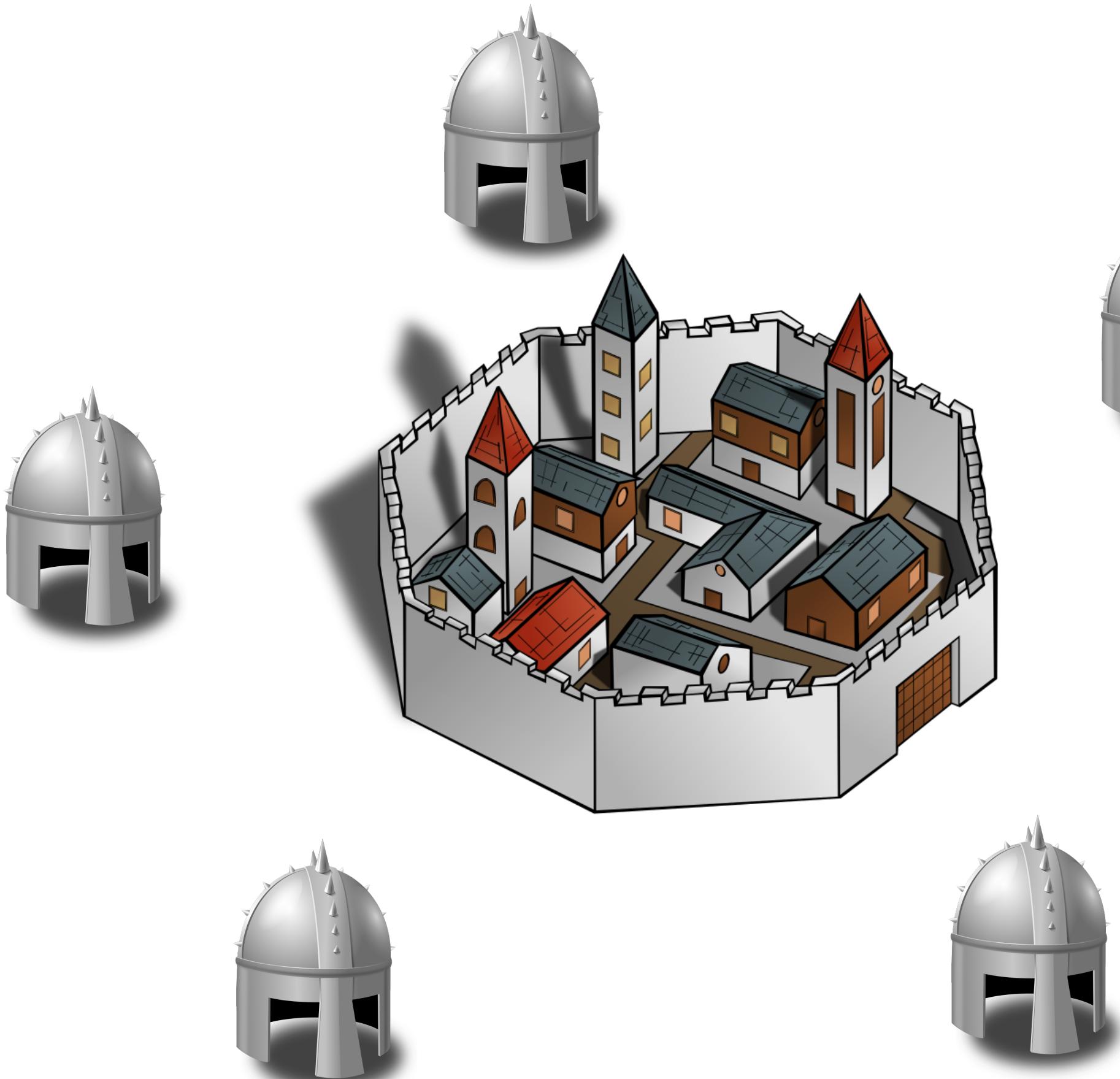
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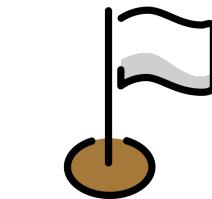
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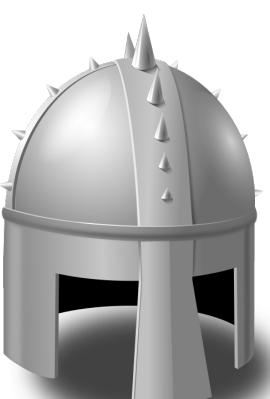
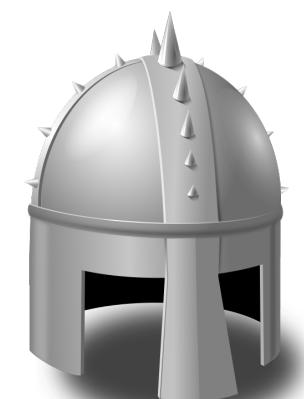
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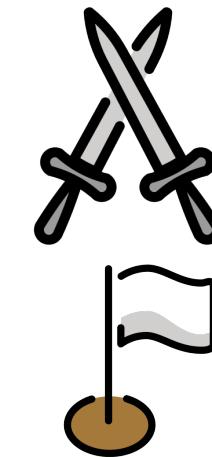
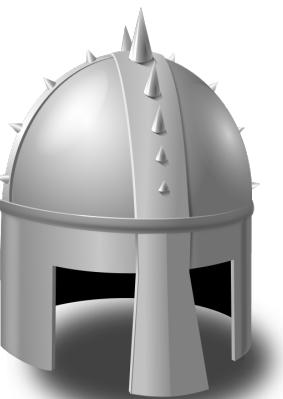
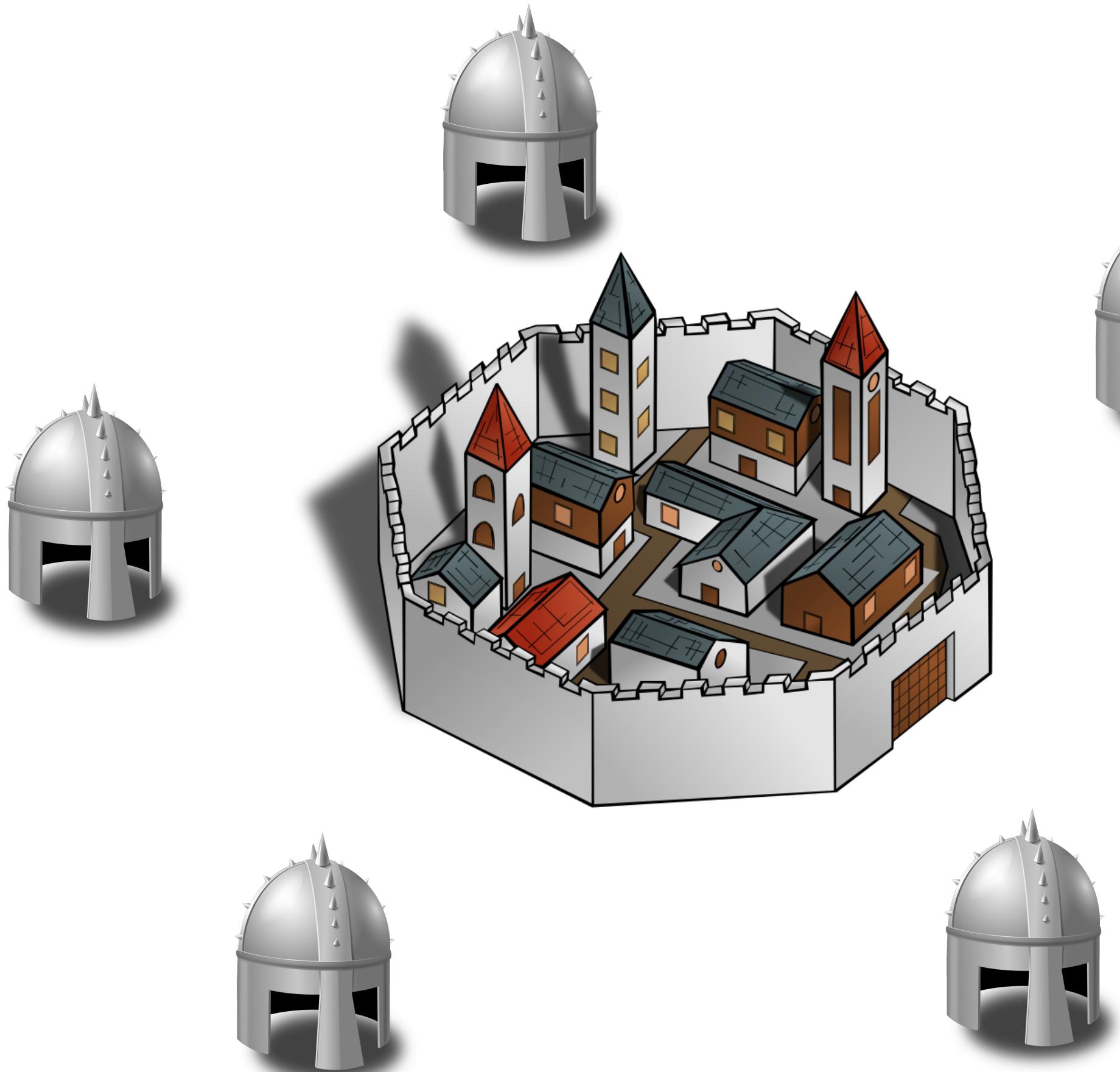
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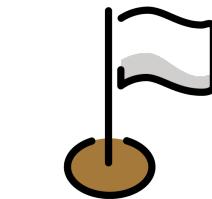
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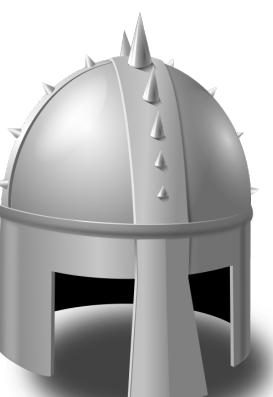
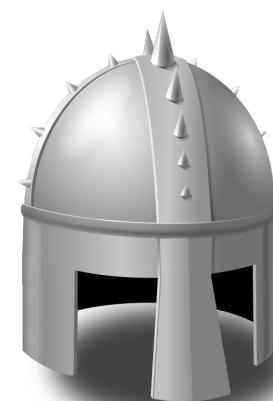
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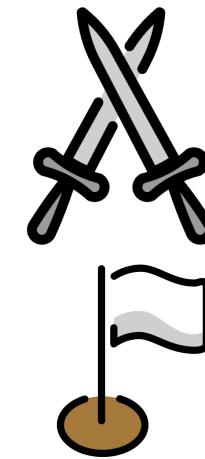
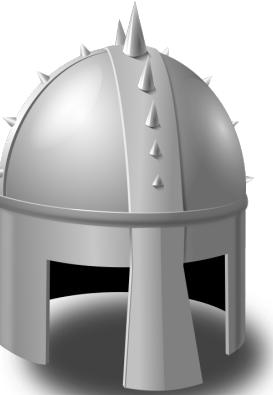
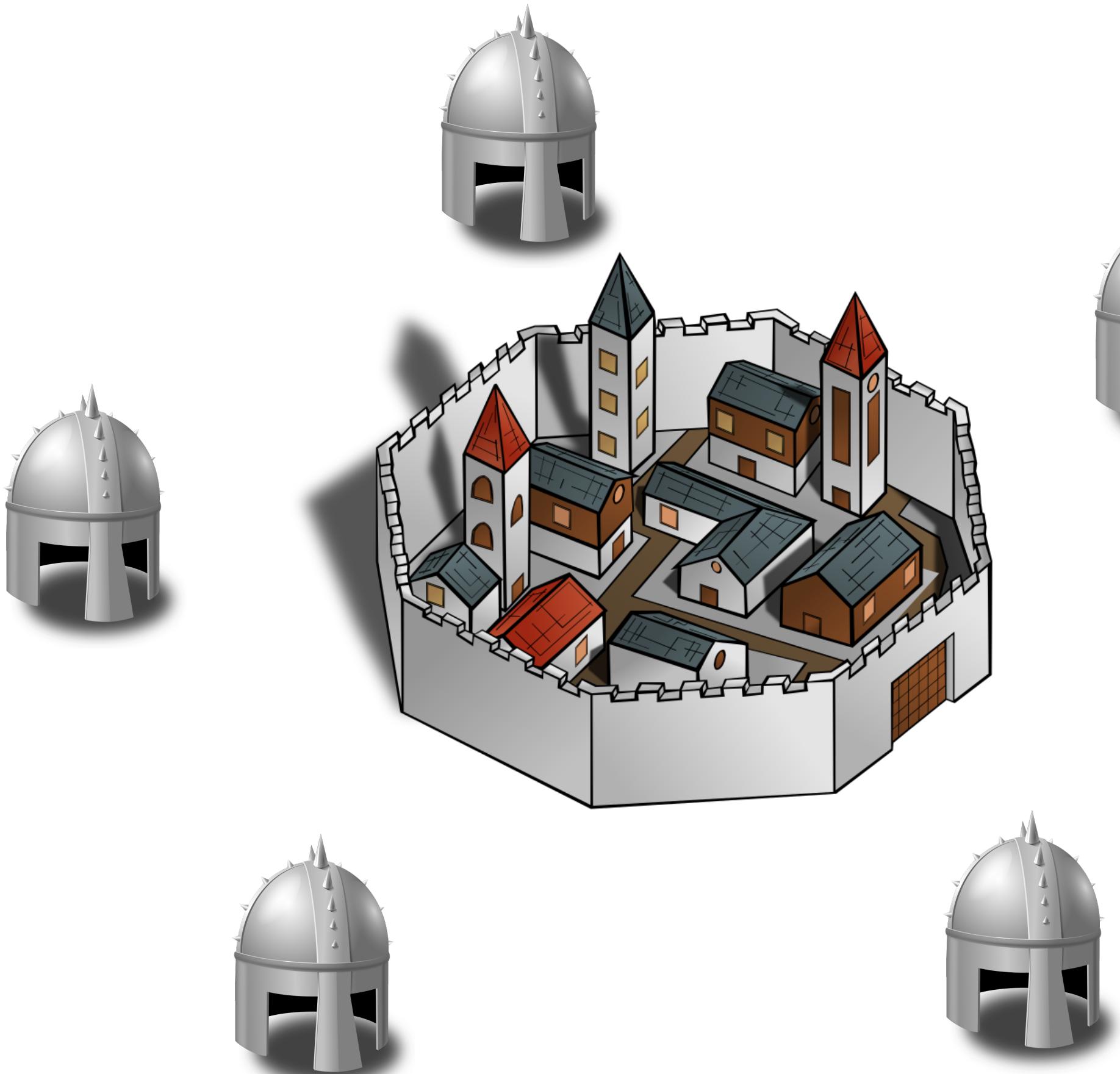
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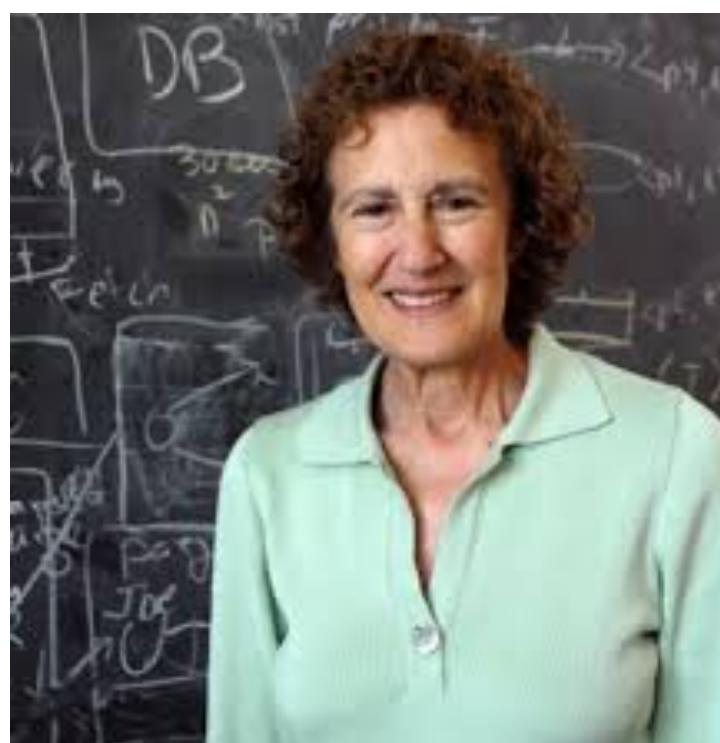


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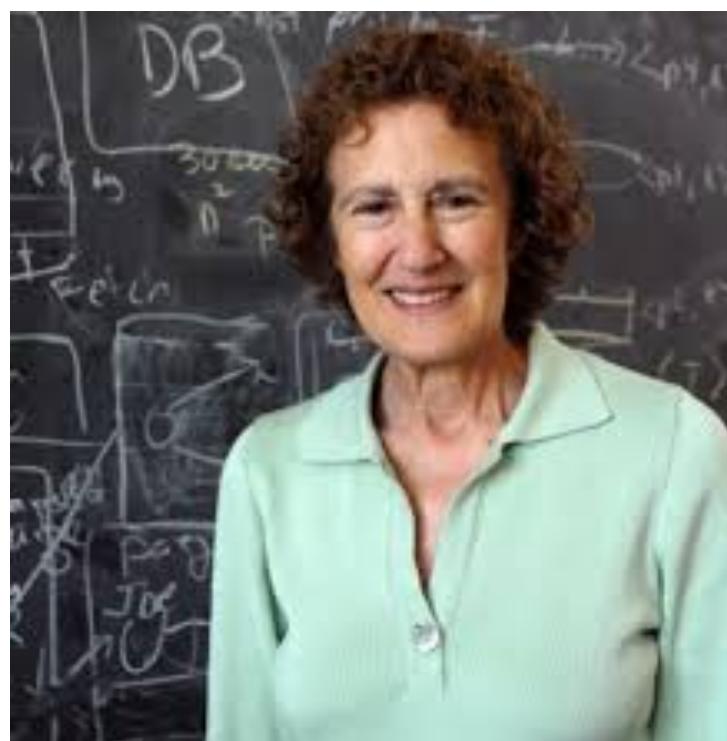
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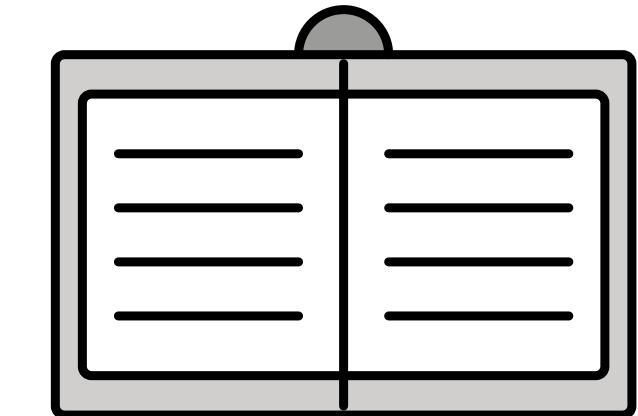
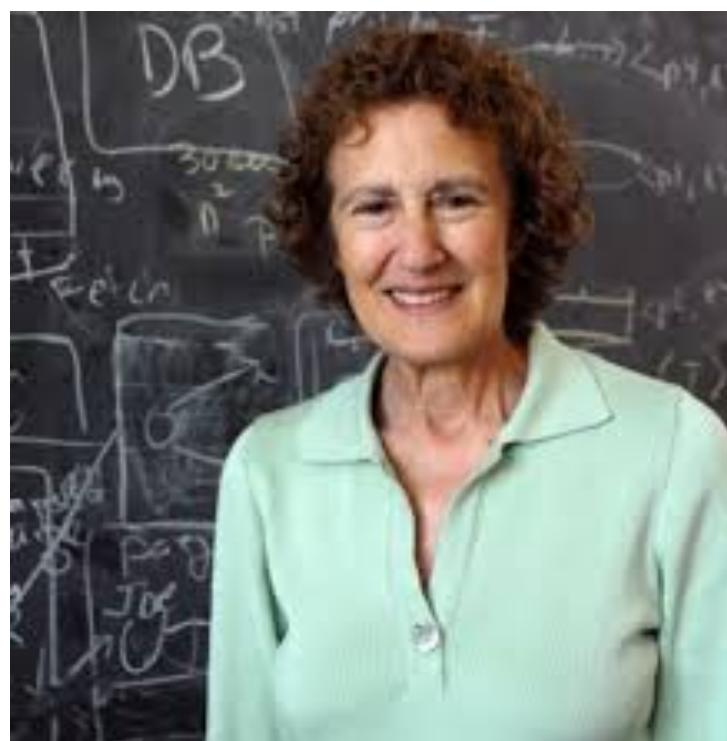
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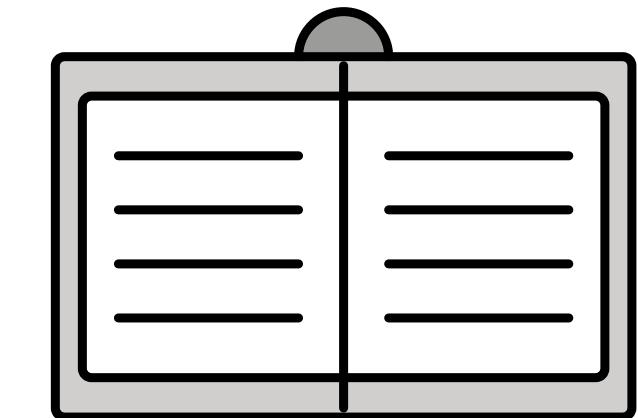


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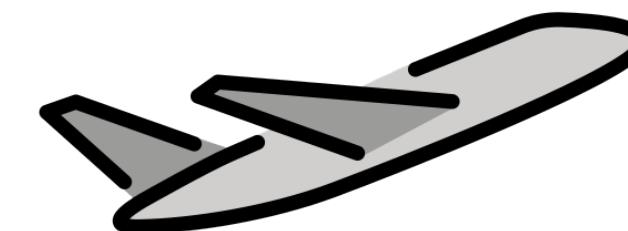


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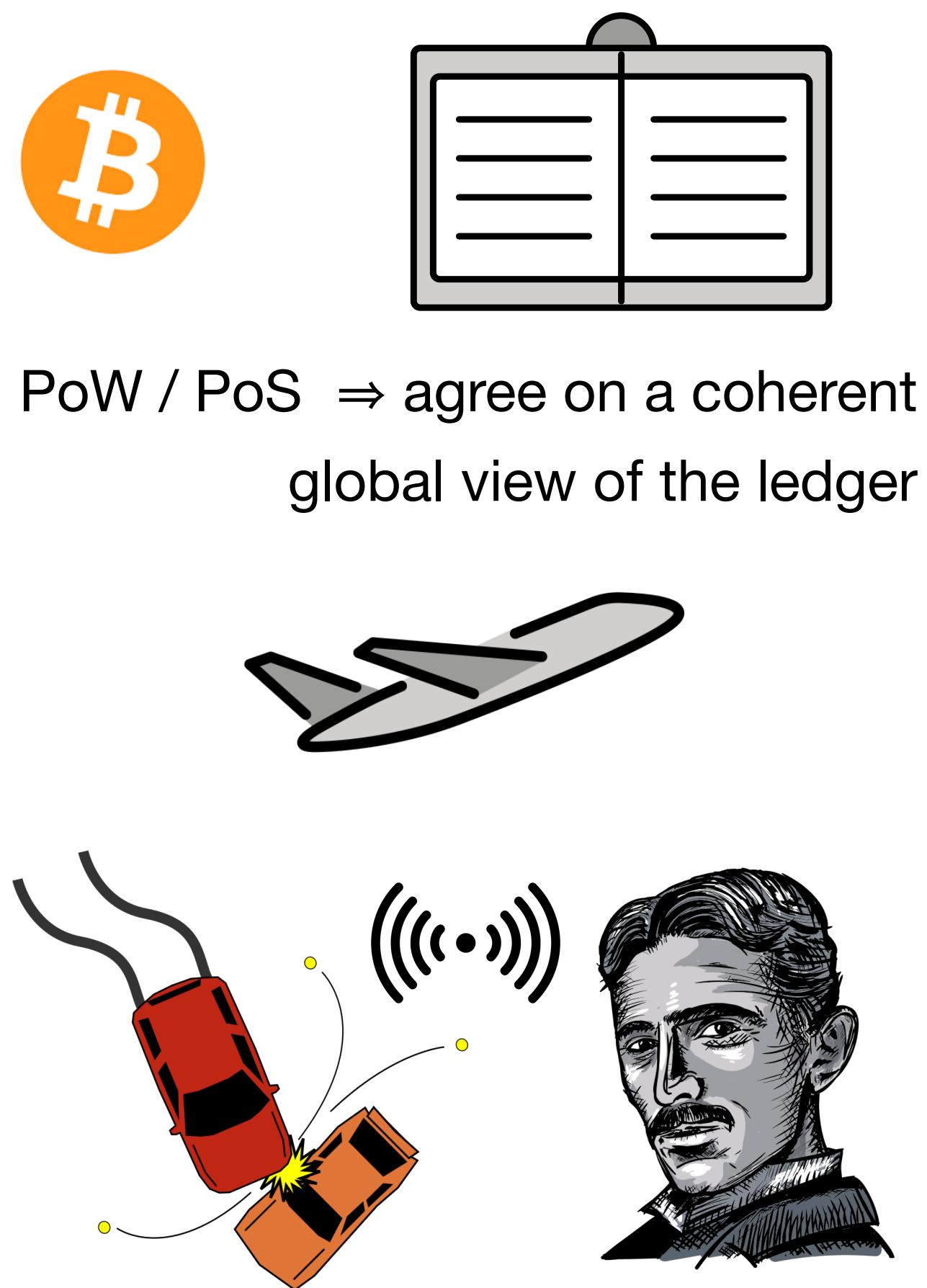
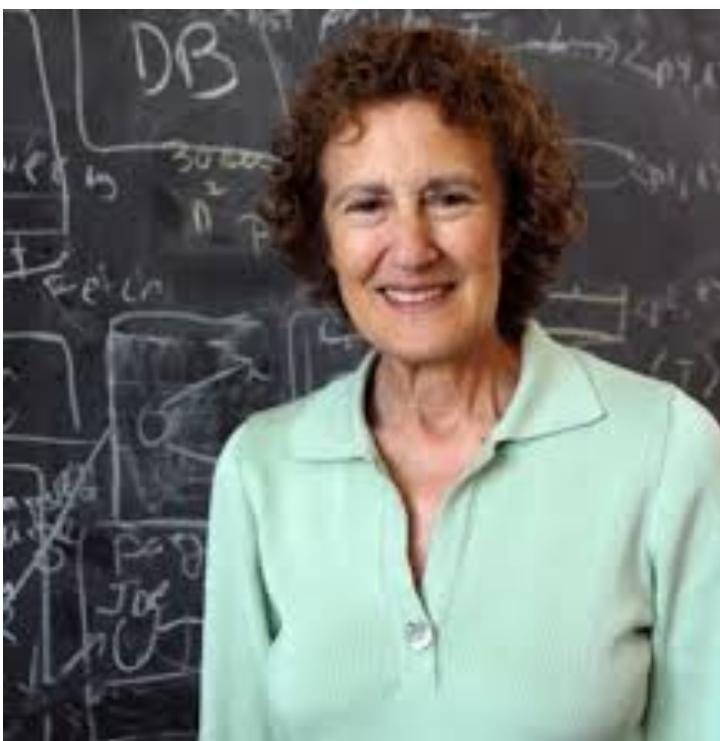
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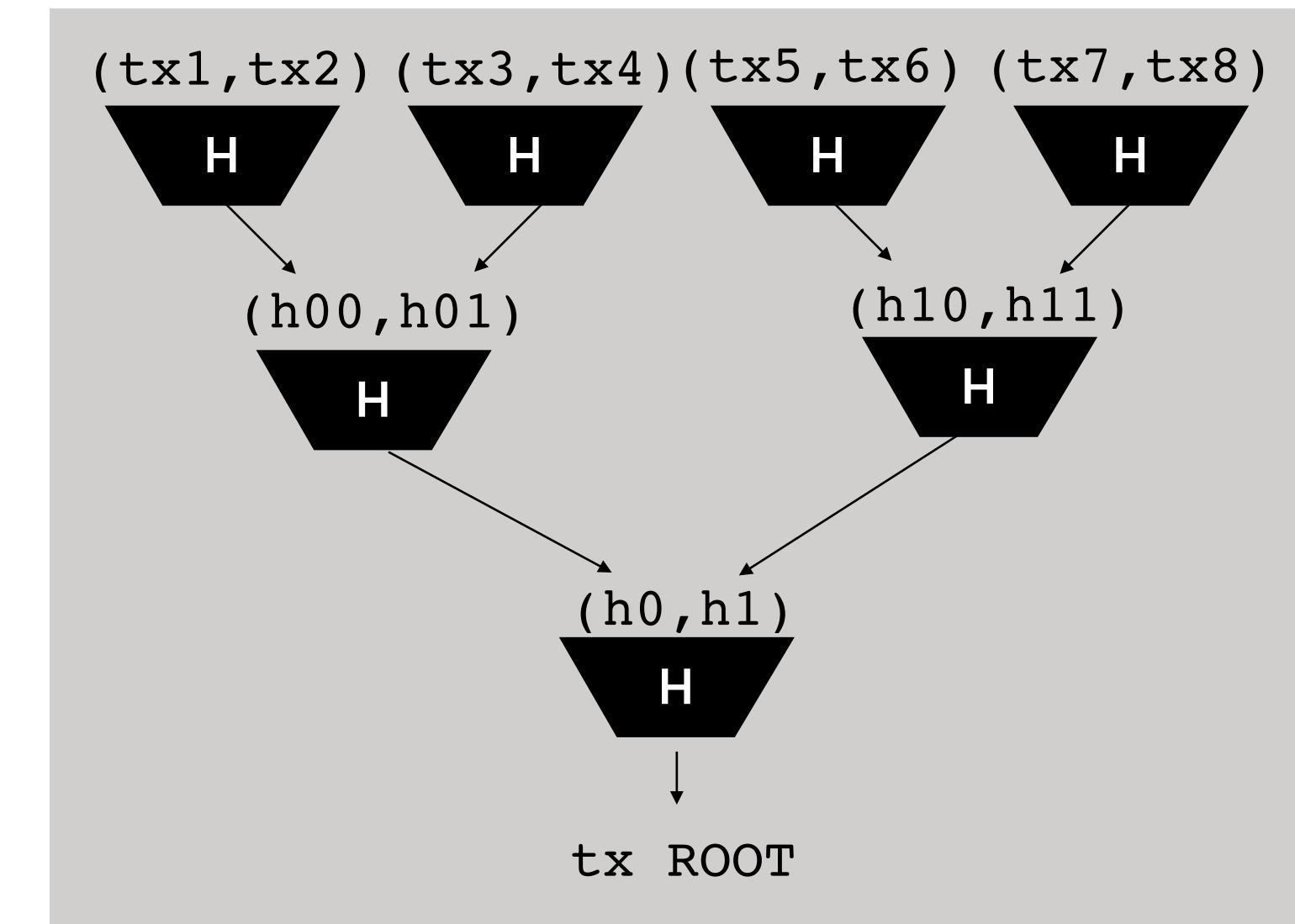


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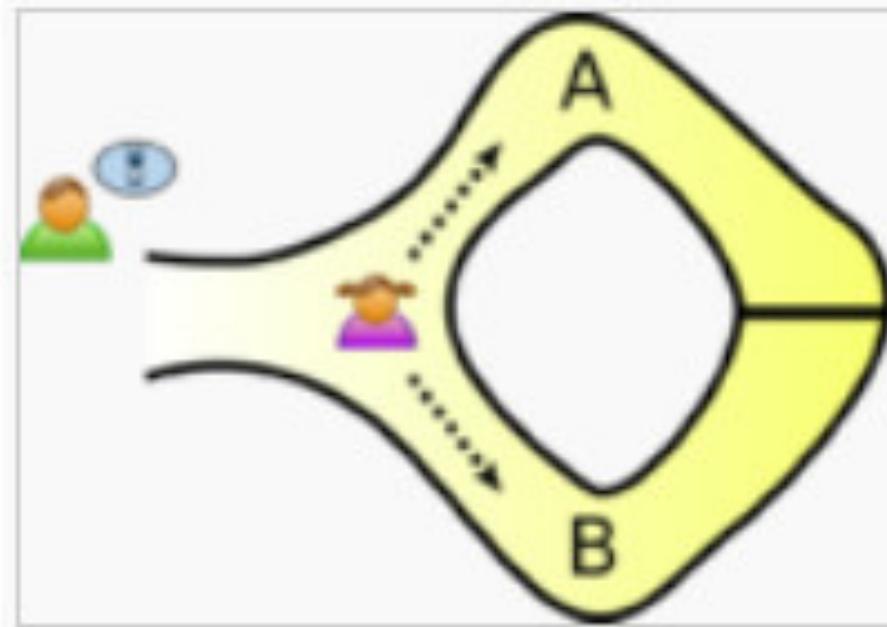
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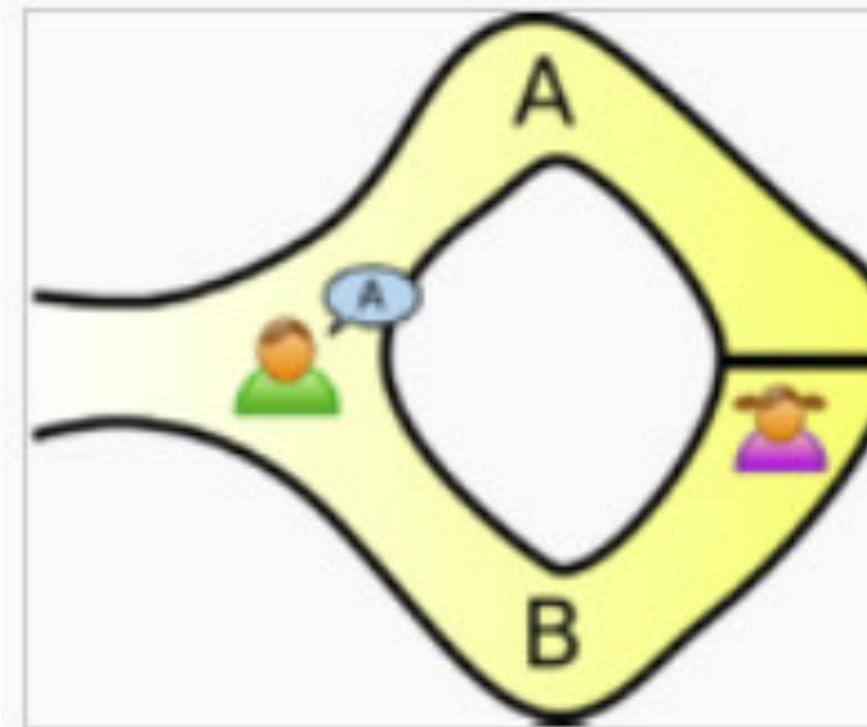
well, with crypto you do :)

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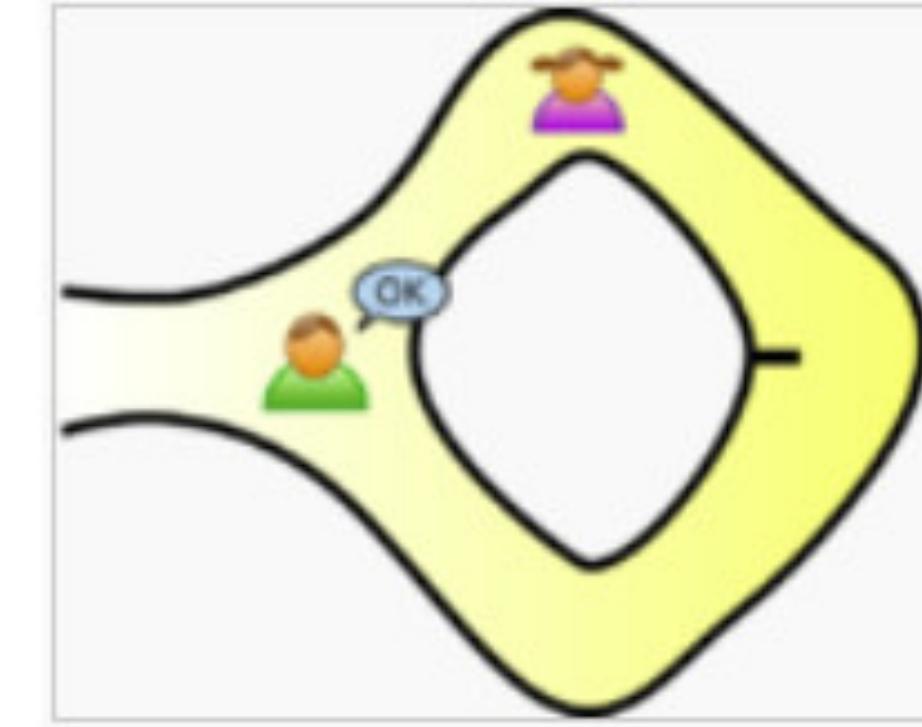
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Peggy randomly takes either path A or B, while Victor waits outside



Victor chooses an exit path



Peggy reliably appears at the exit Victor names

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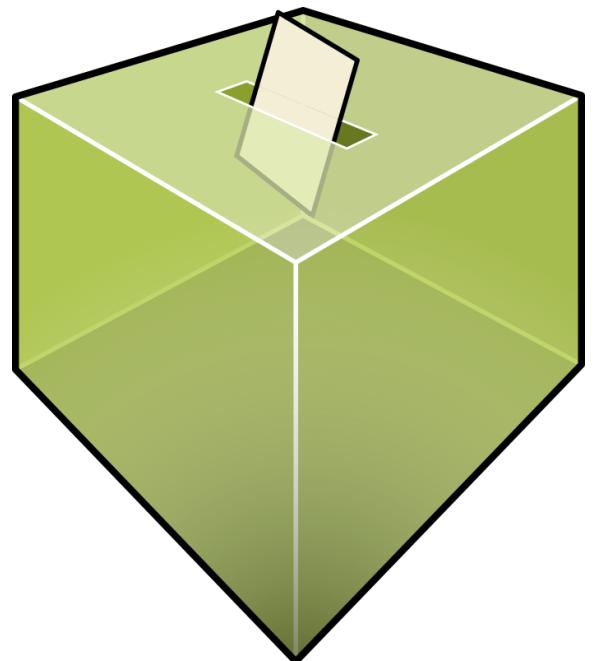
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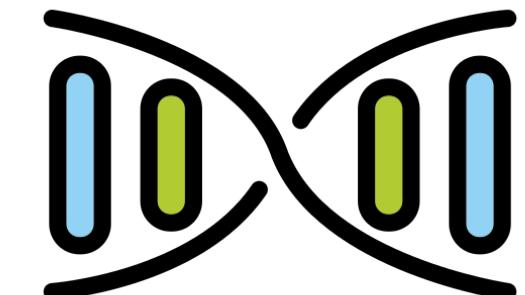
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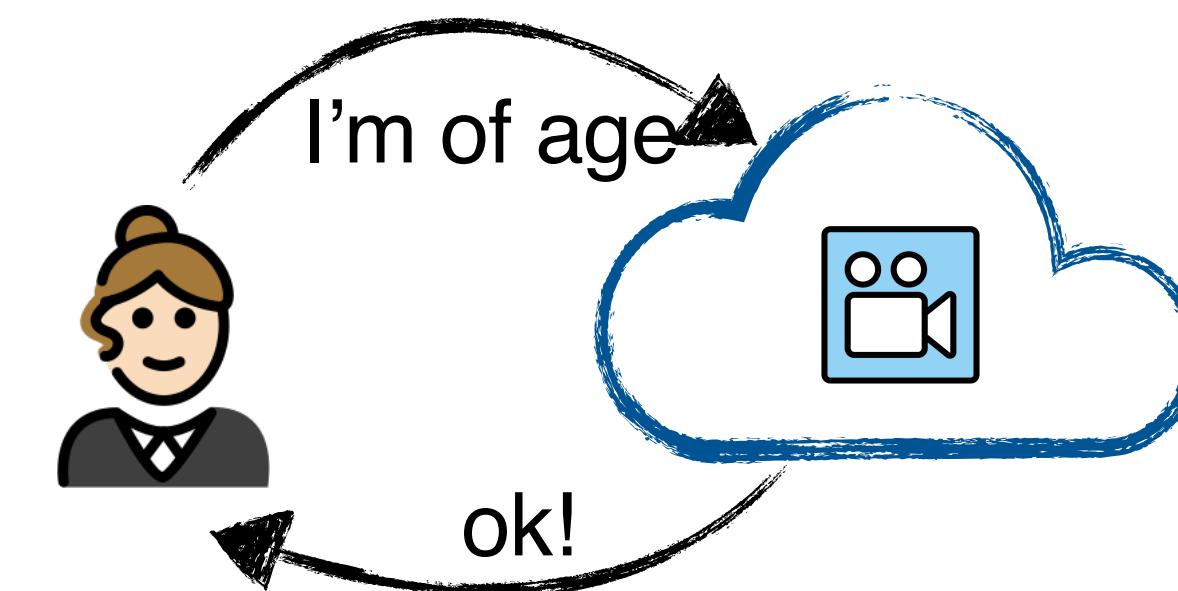


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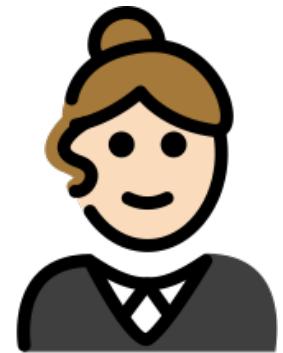
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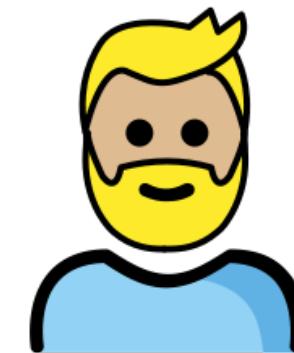
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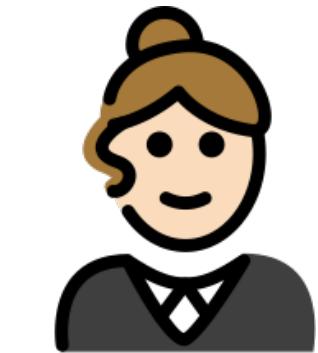
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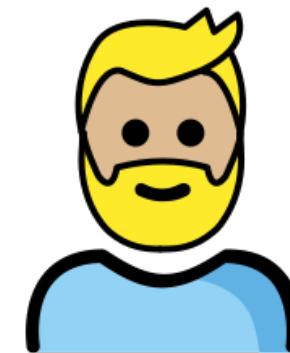
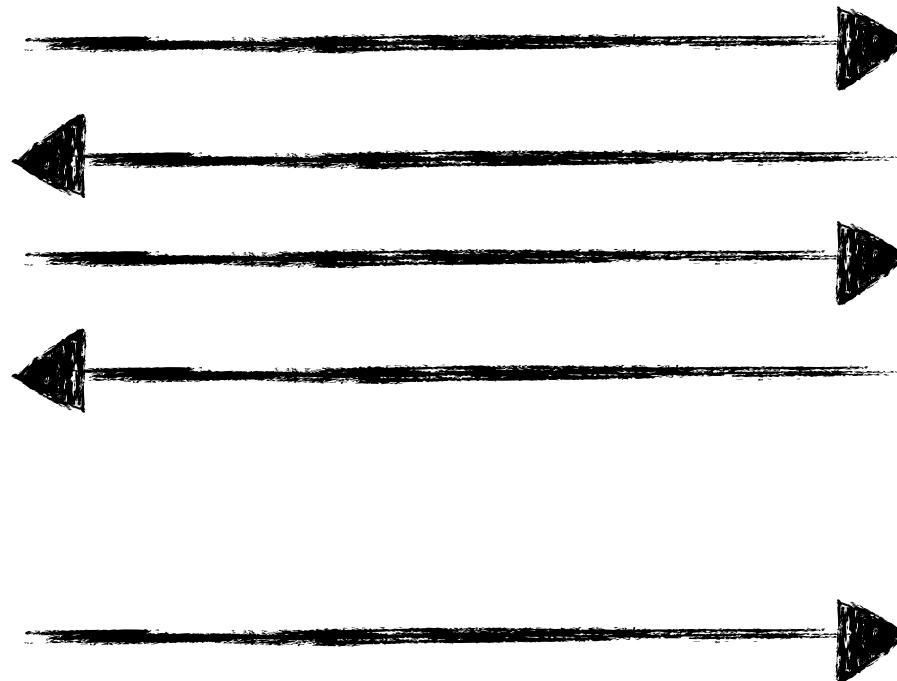
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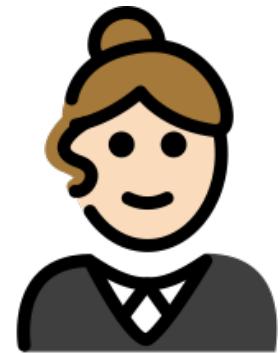
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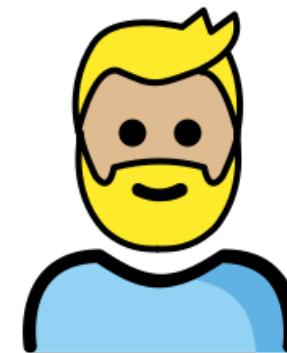
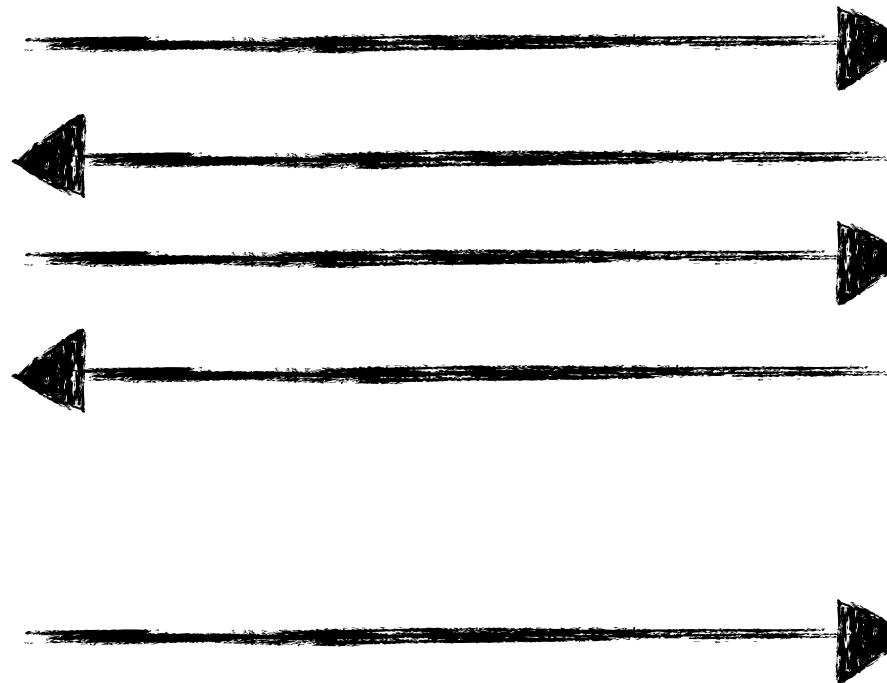
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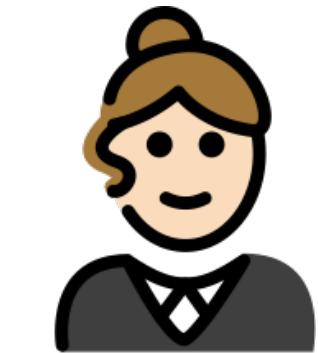


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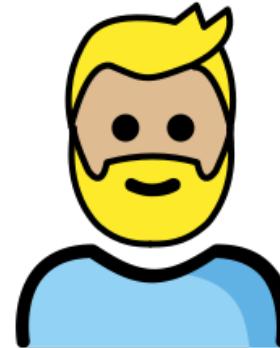
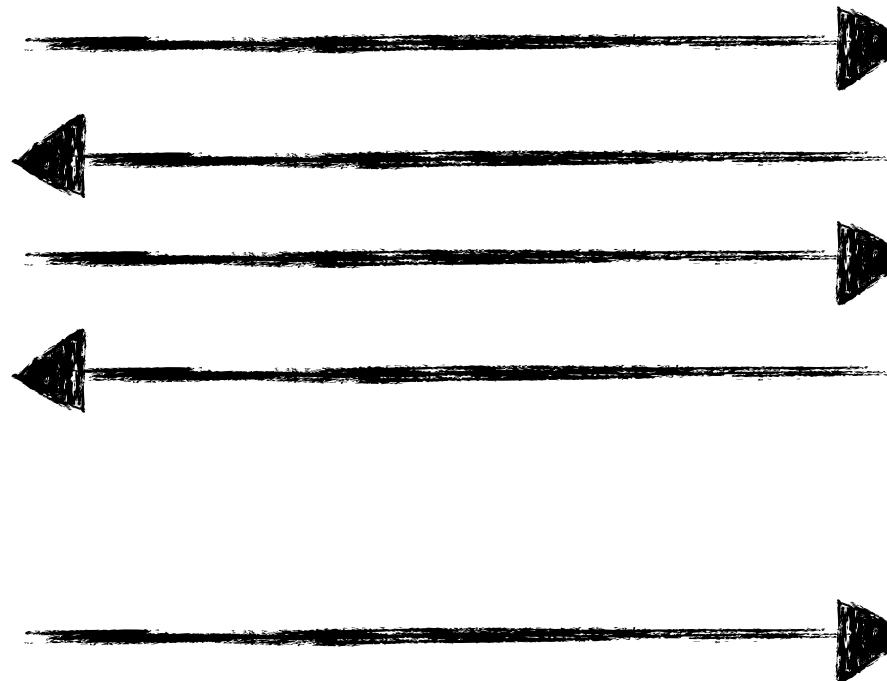
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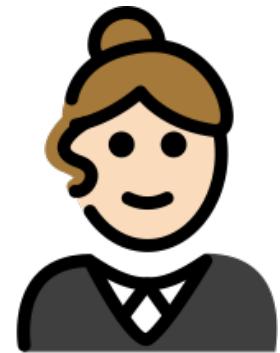
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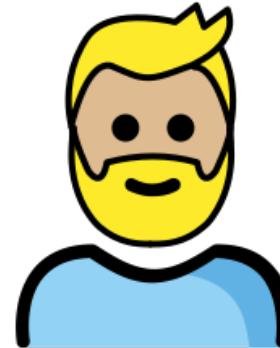
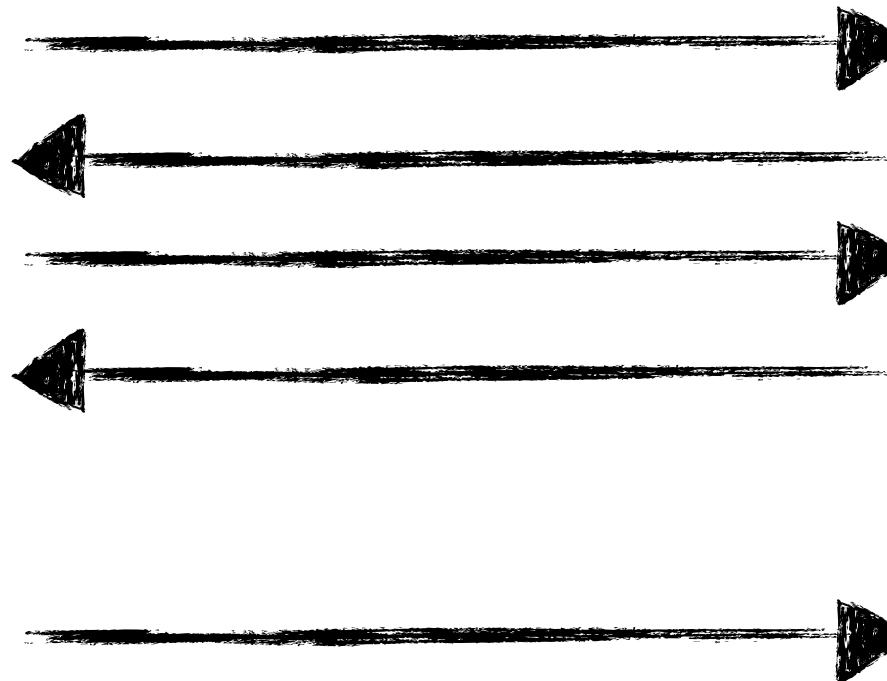
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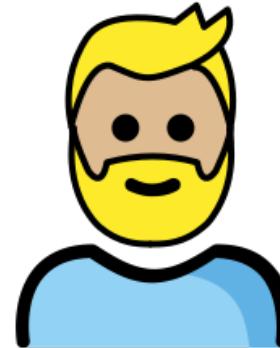
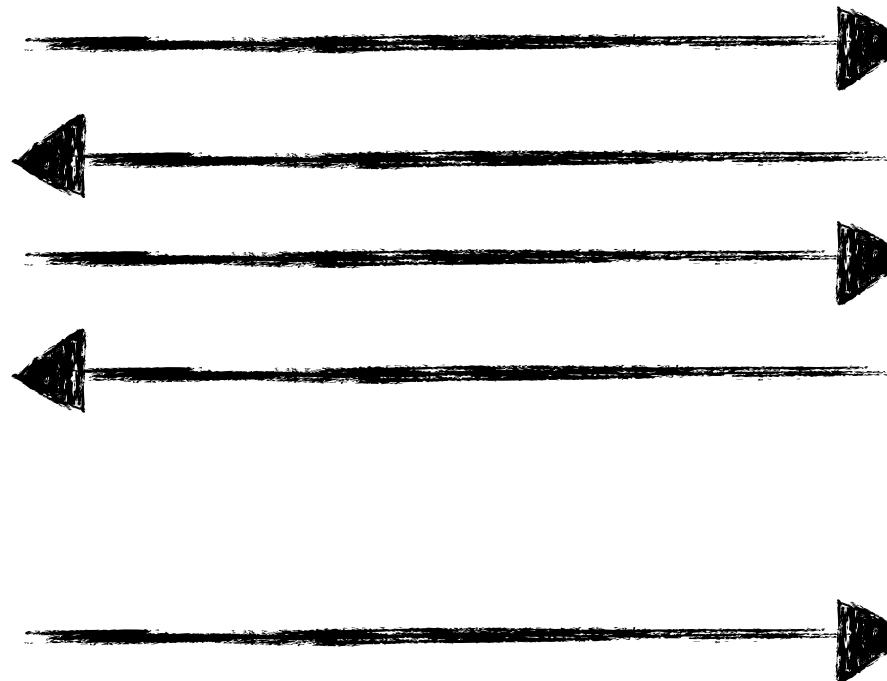
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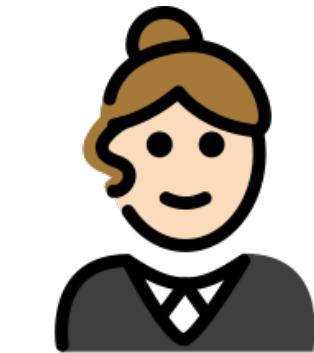
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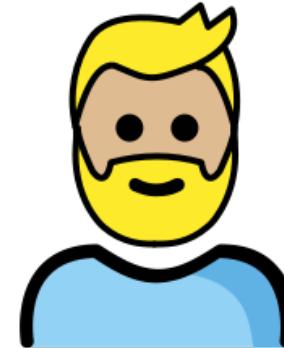
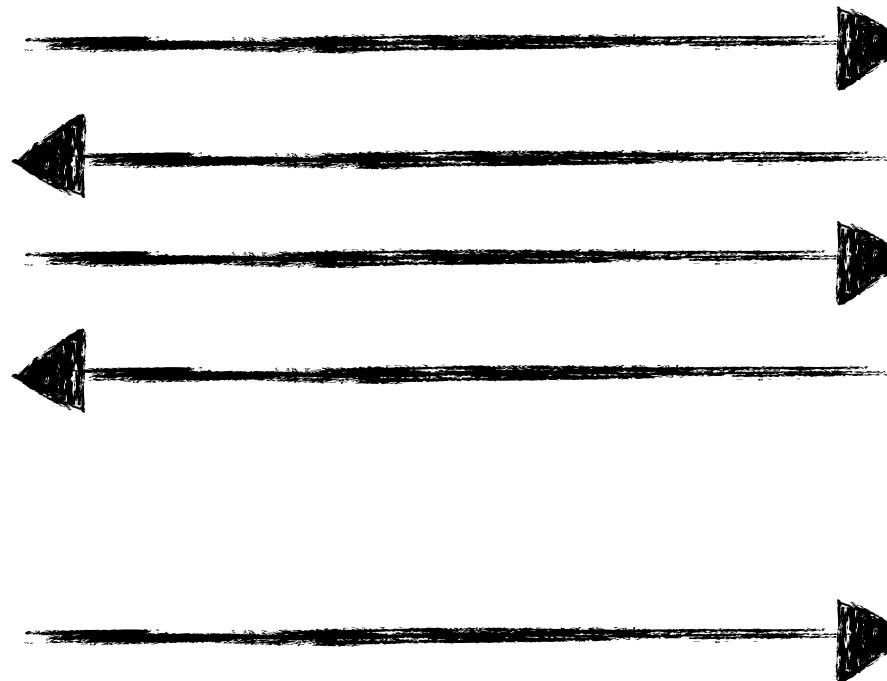
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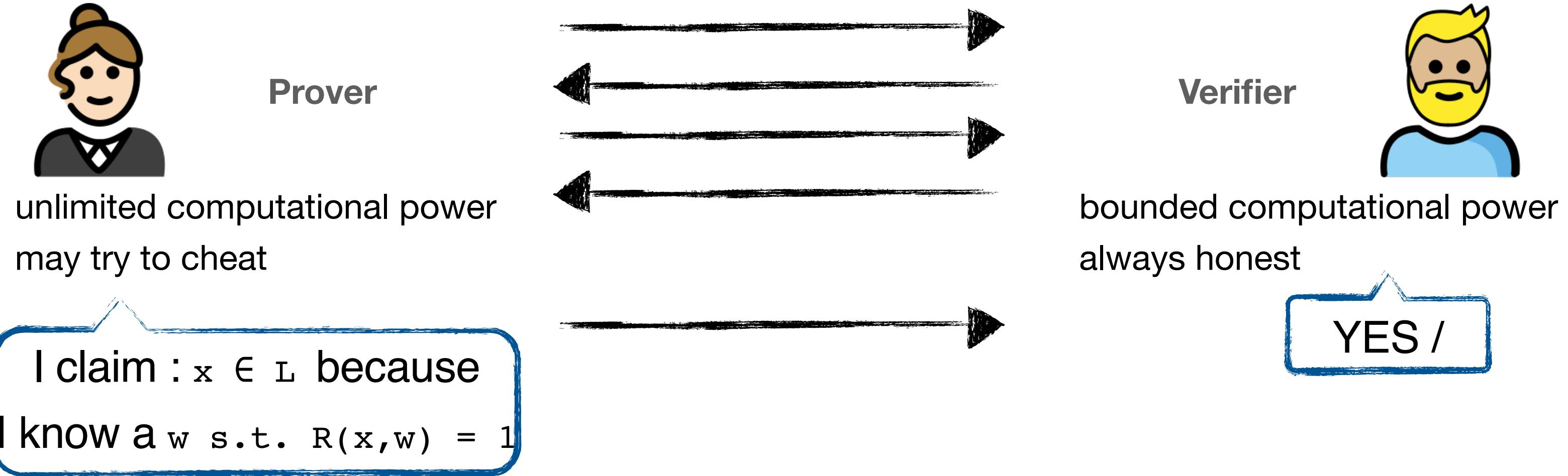
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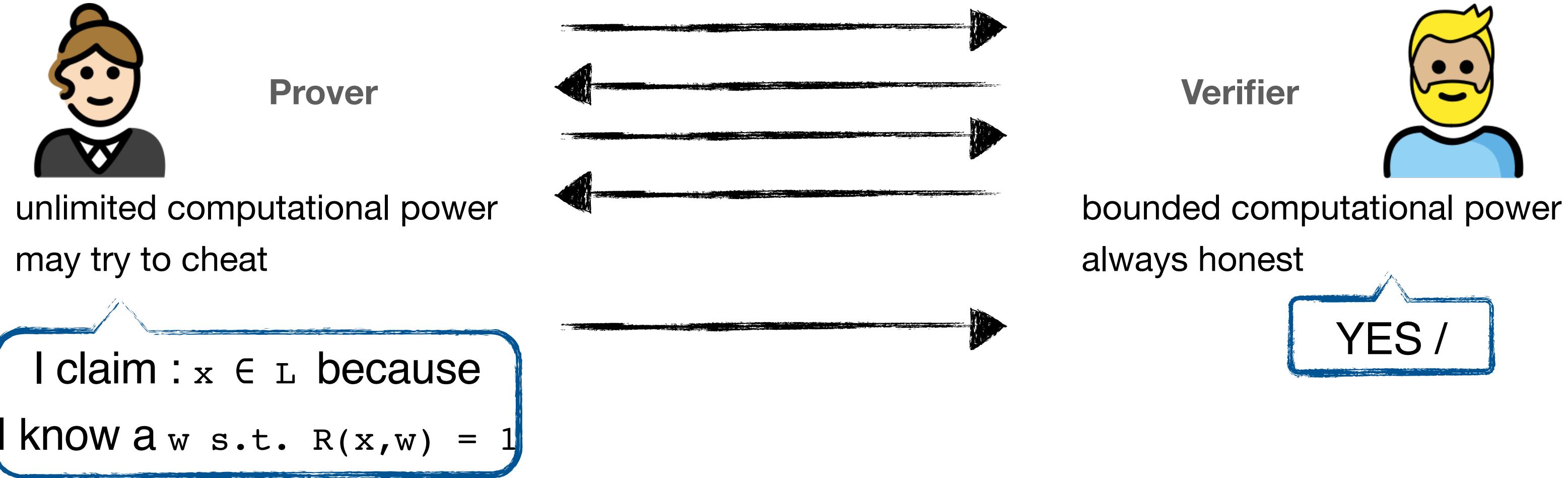
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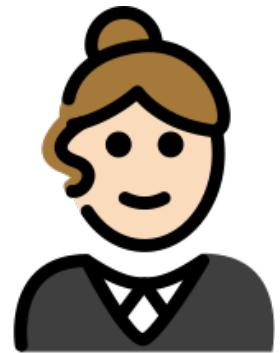
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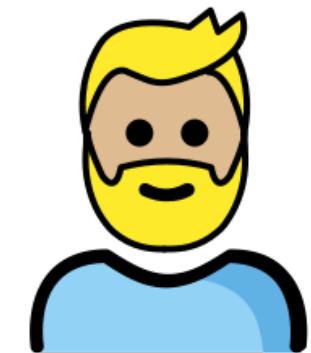
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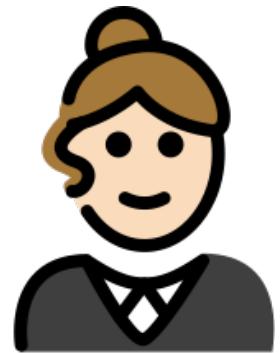


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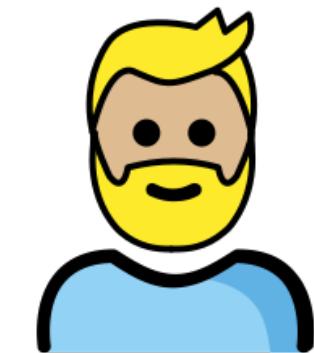
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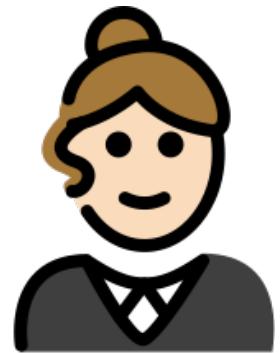
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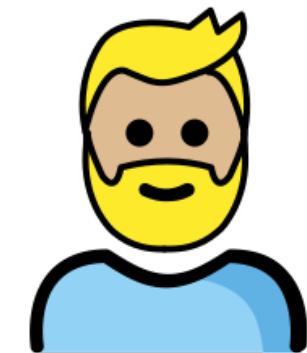
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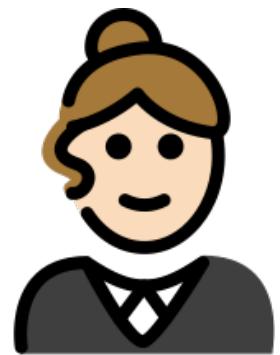


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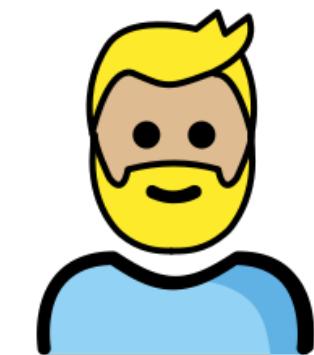
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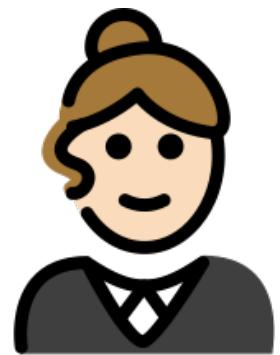
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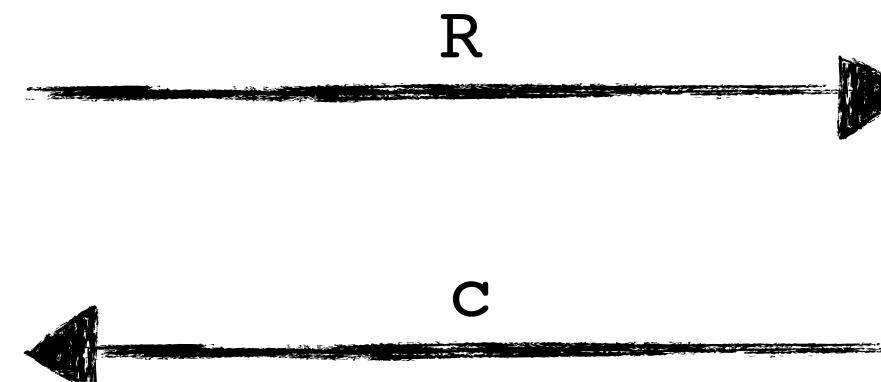
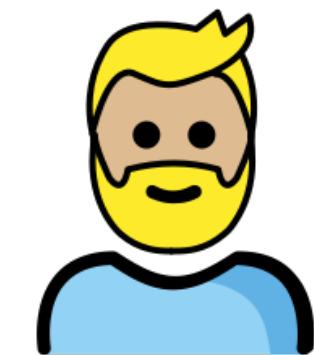
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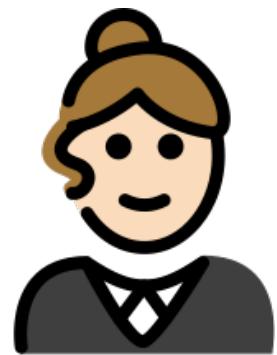
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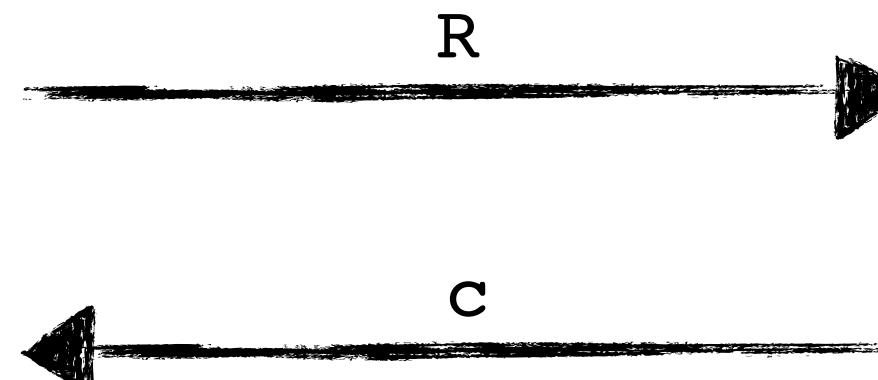
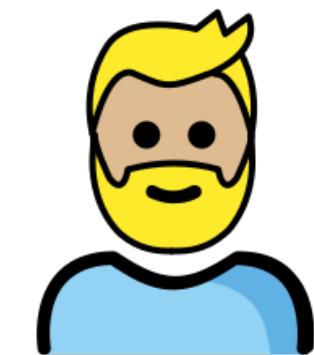
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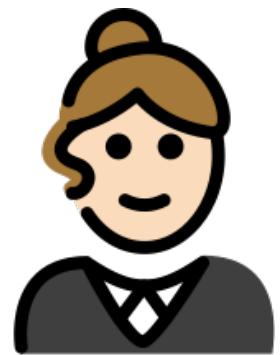


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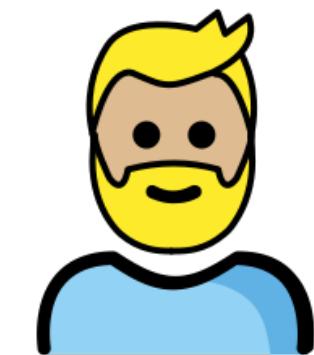
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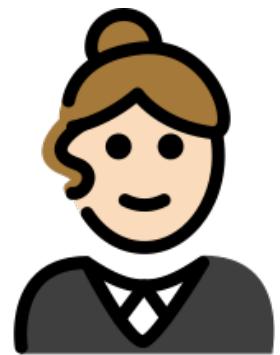
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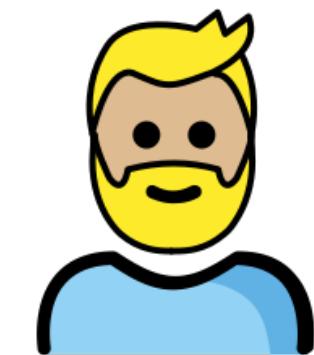
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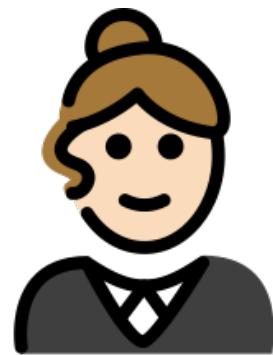
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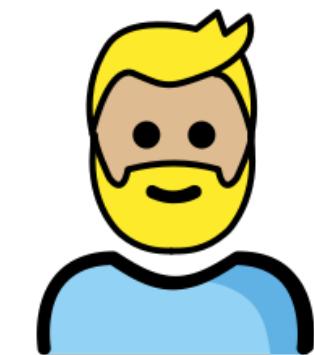
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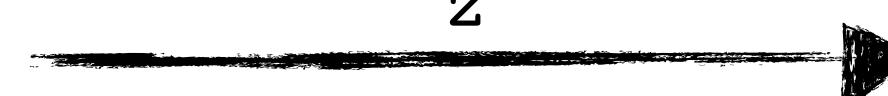
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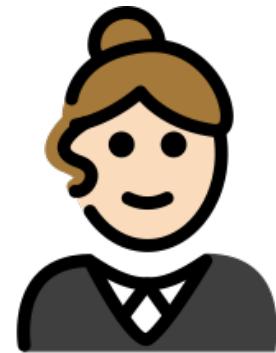


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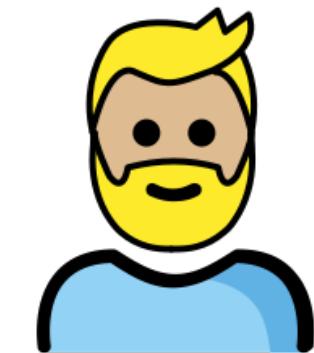
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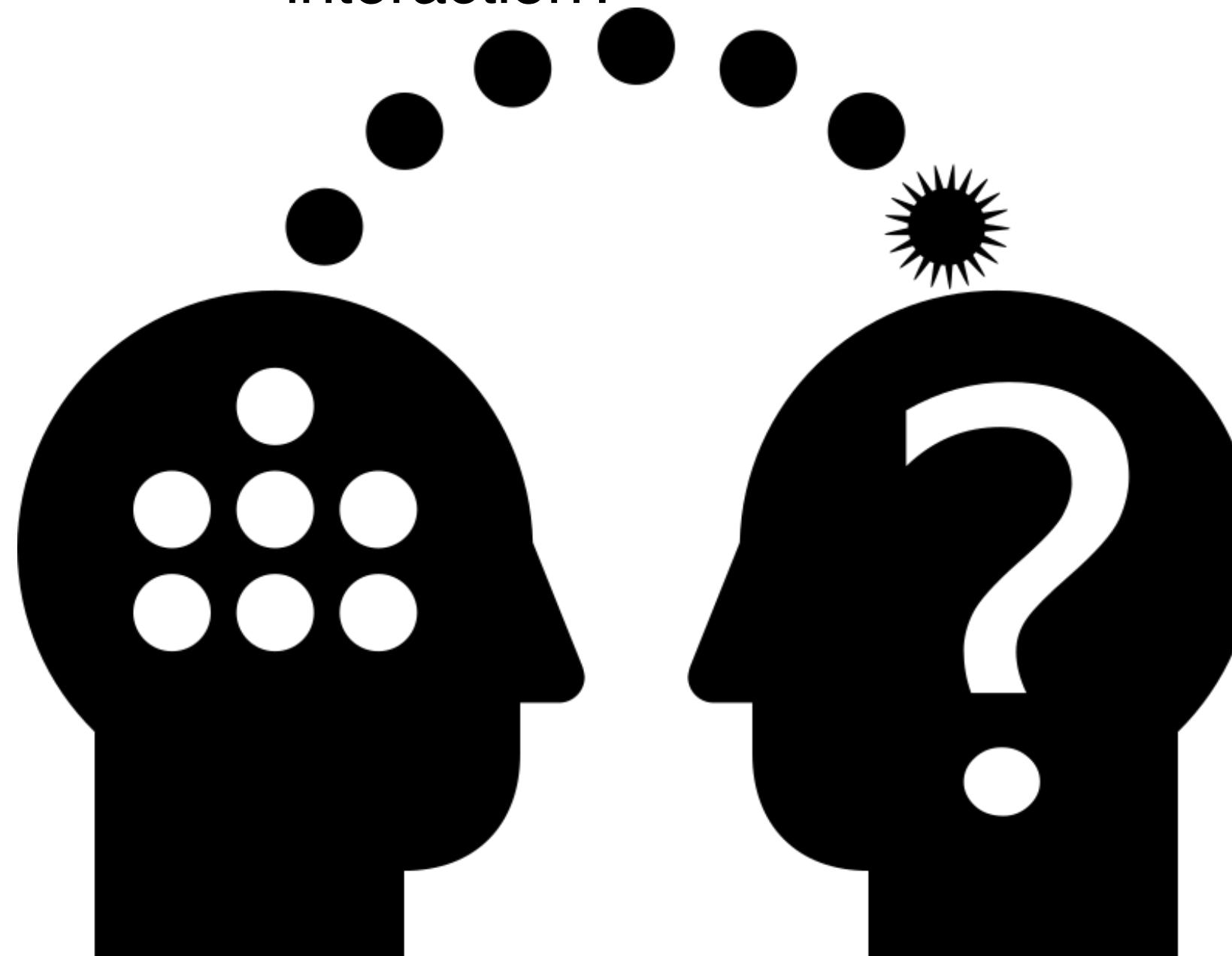
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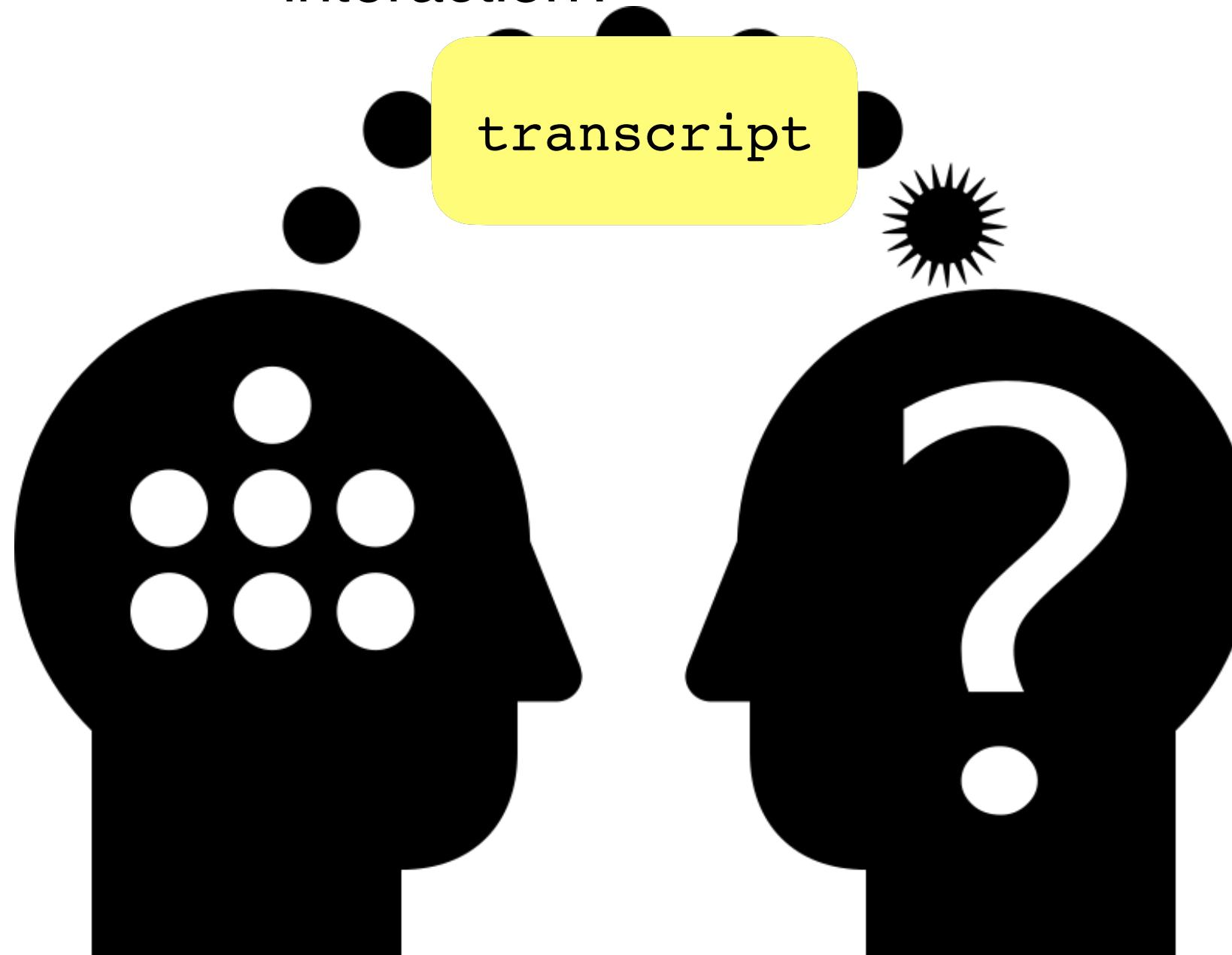
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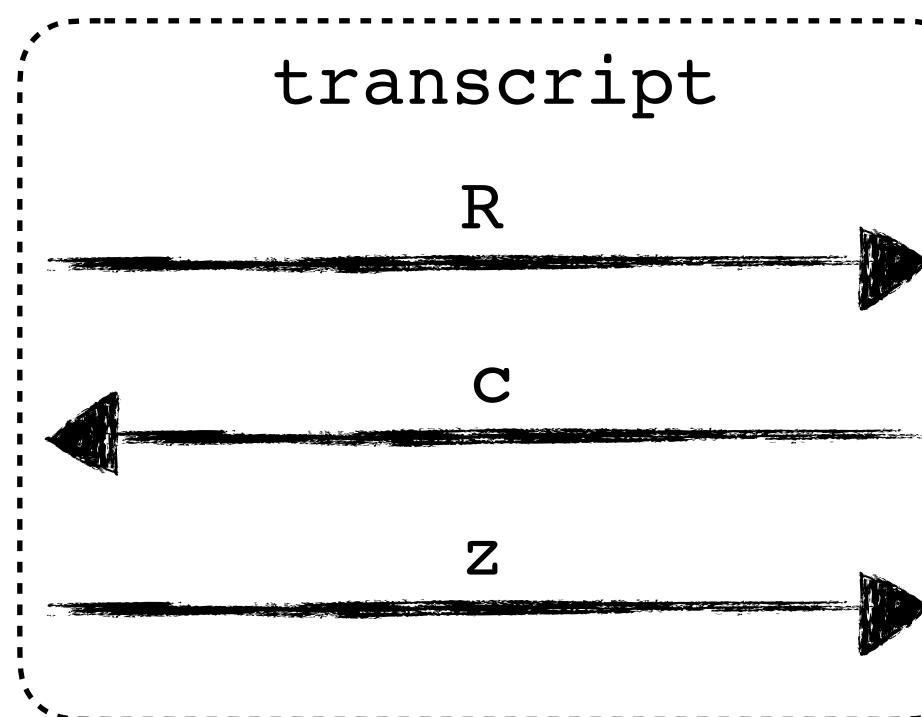
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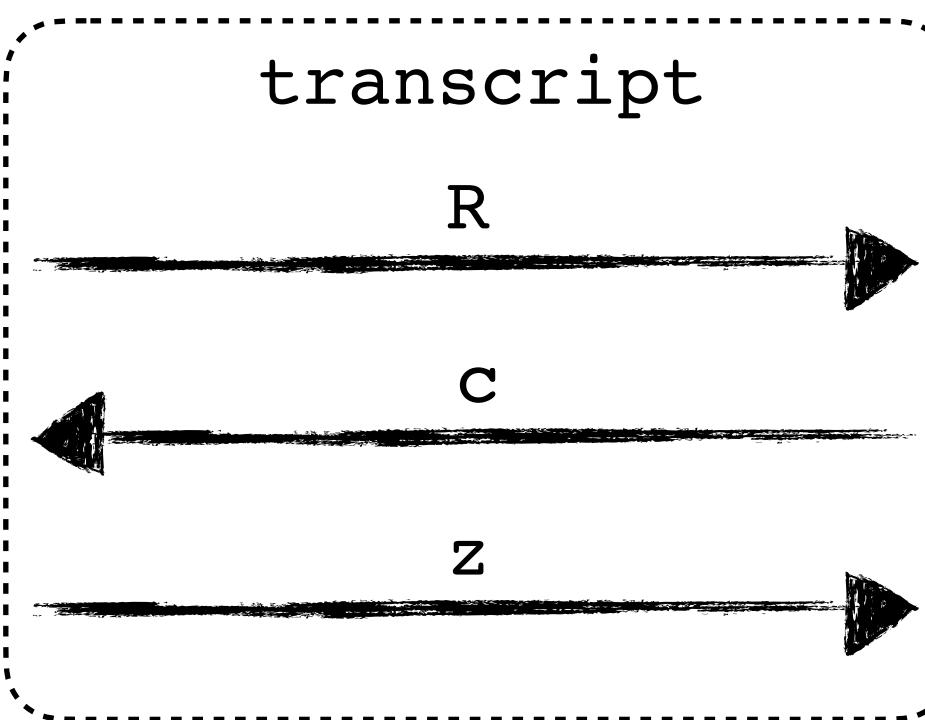
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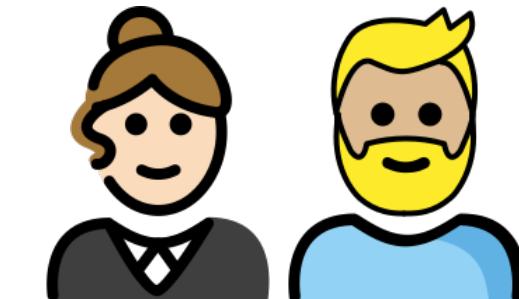
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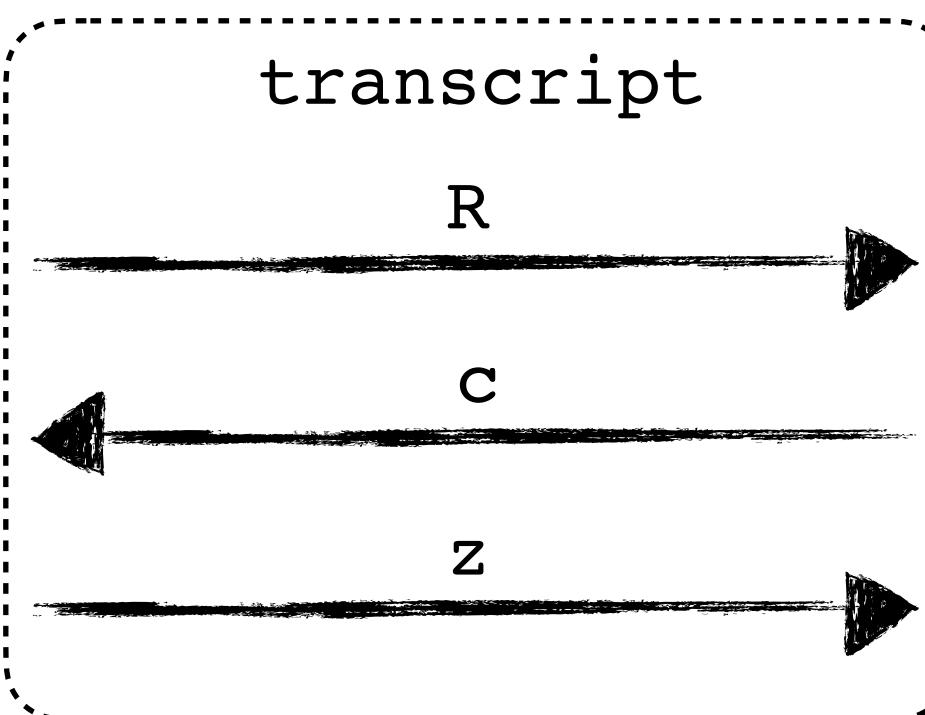


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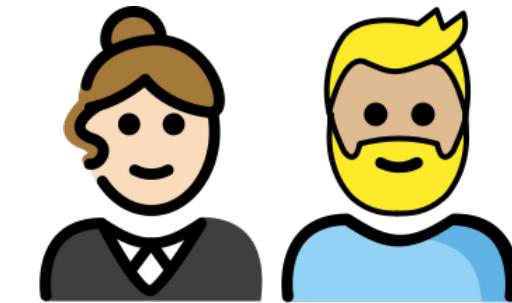
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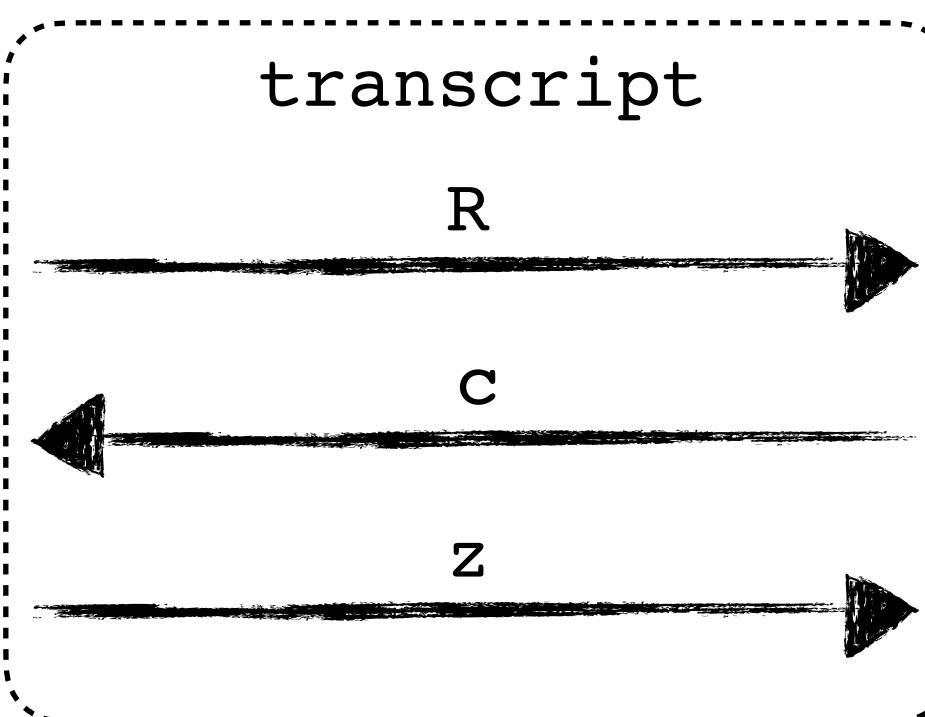


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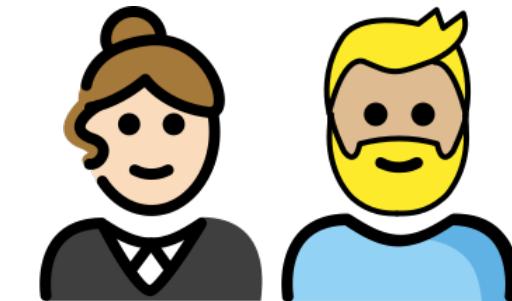
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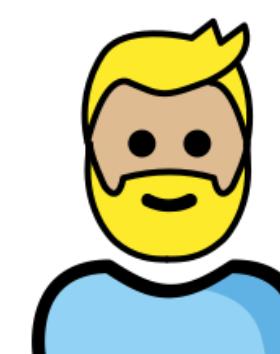


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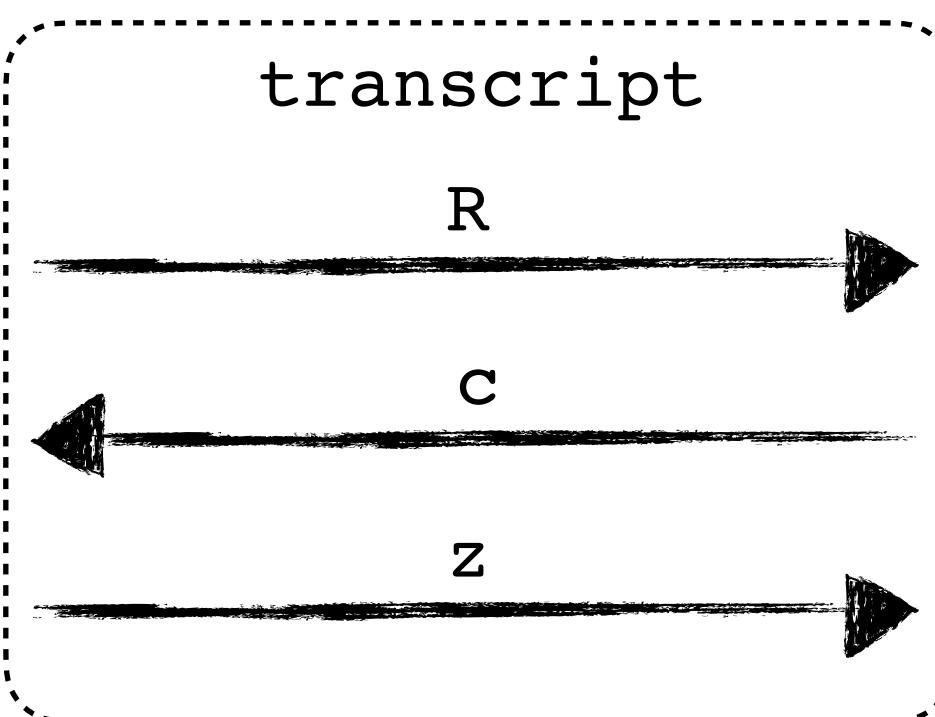


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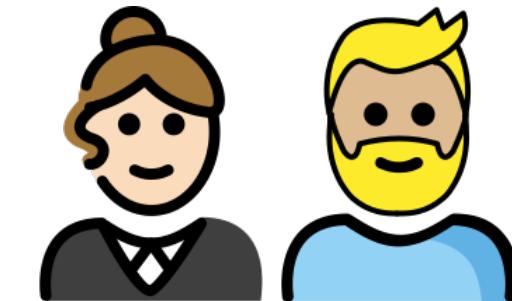
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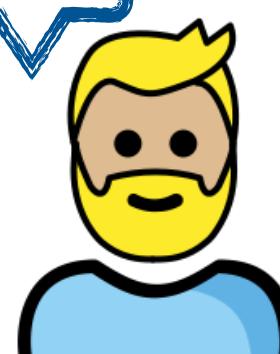


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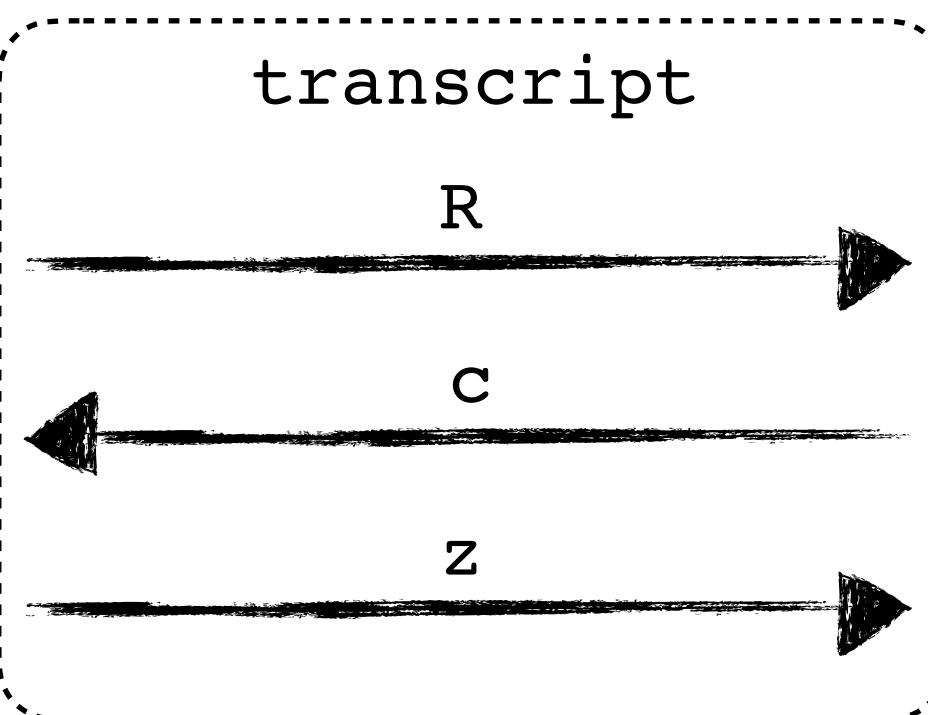


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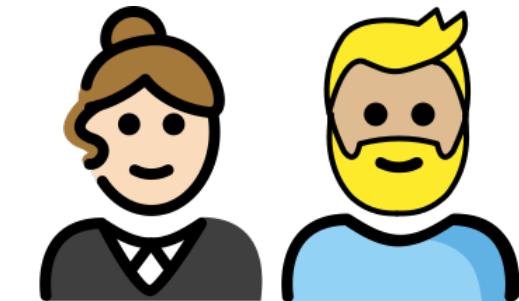
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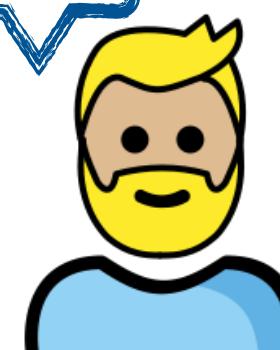


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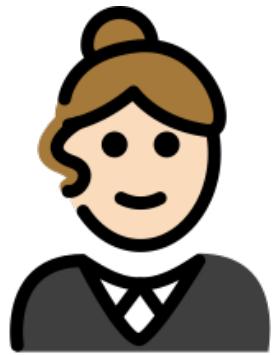


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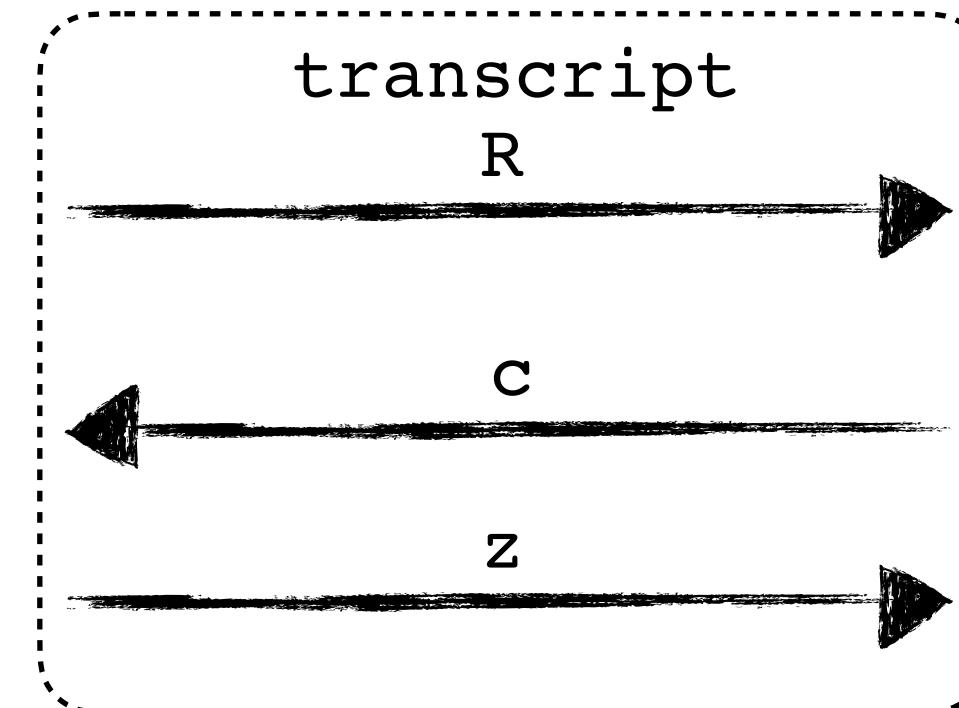
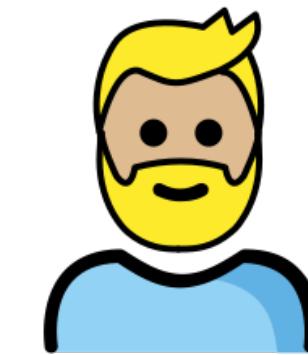
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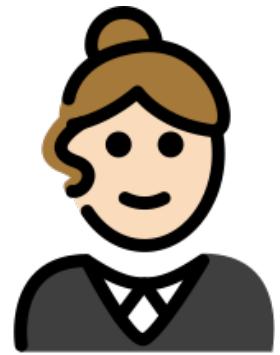
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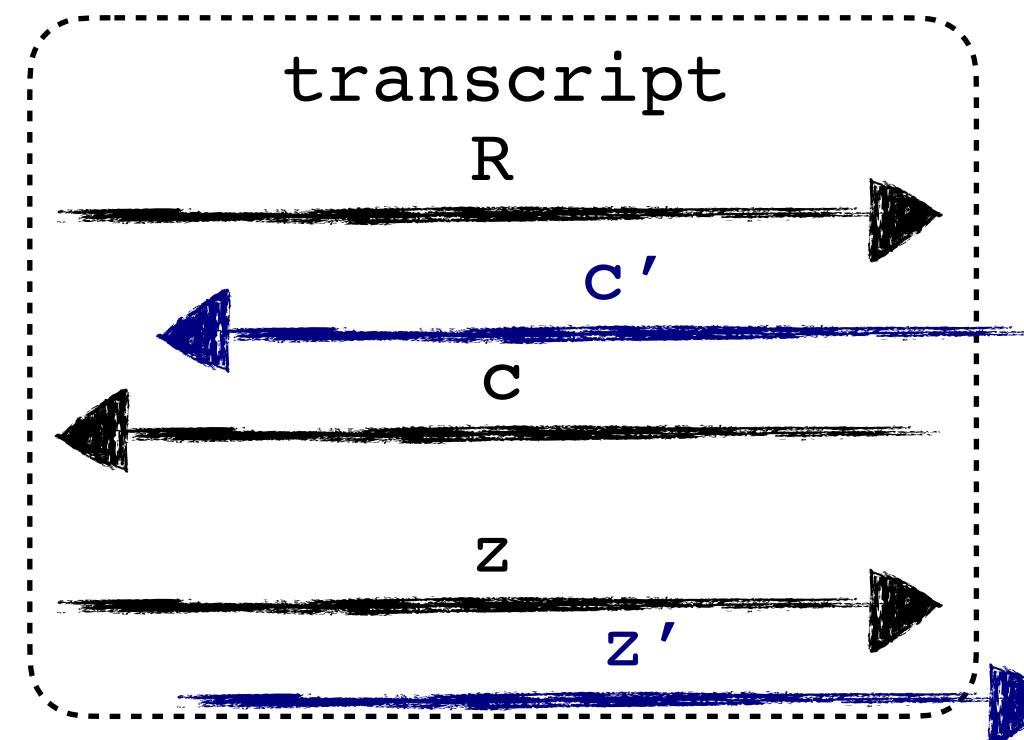
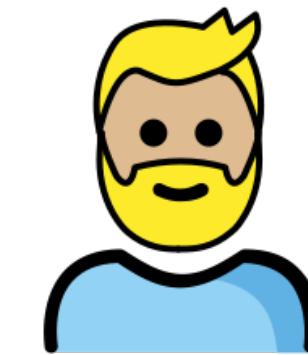
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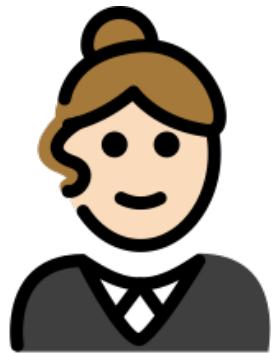
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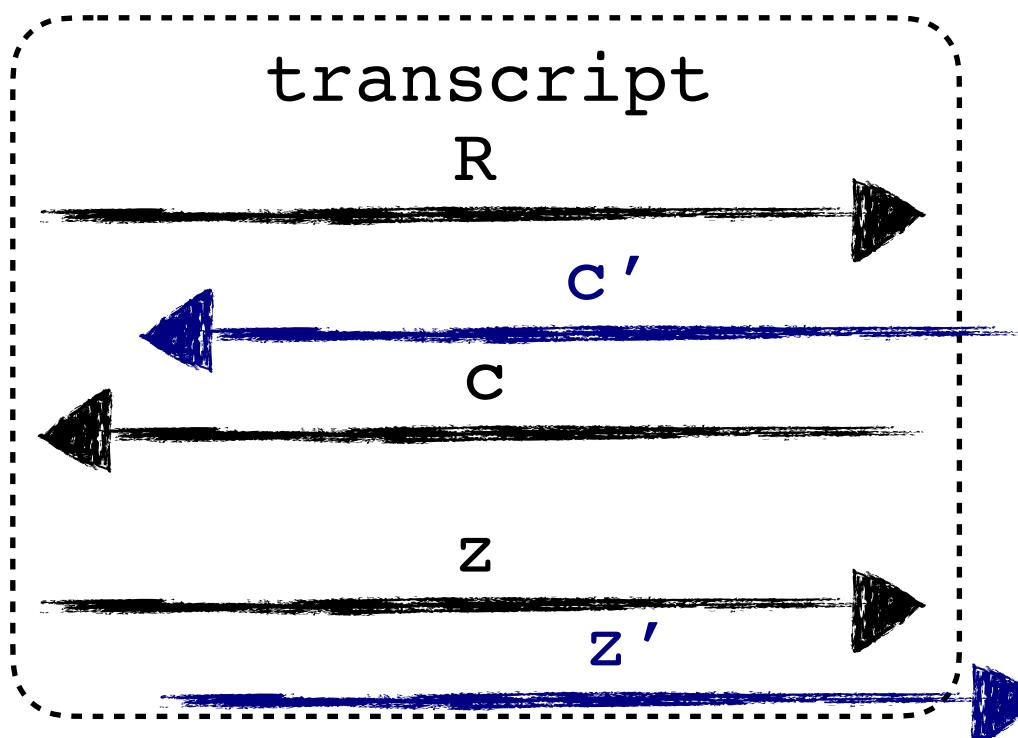
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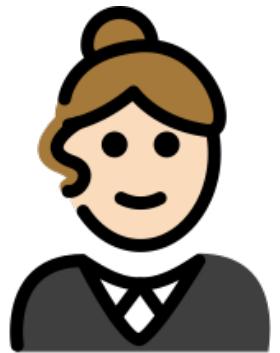
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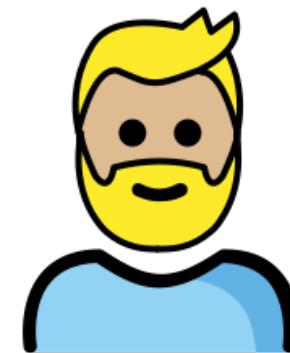
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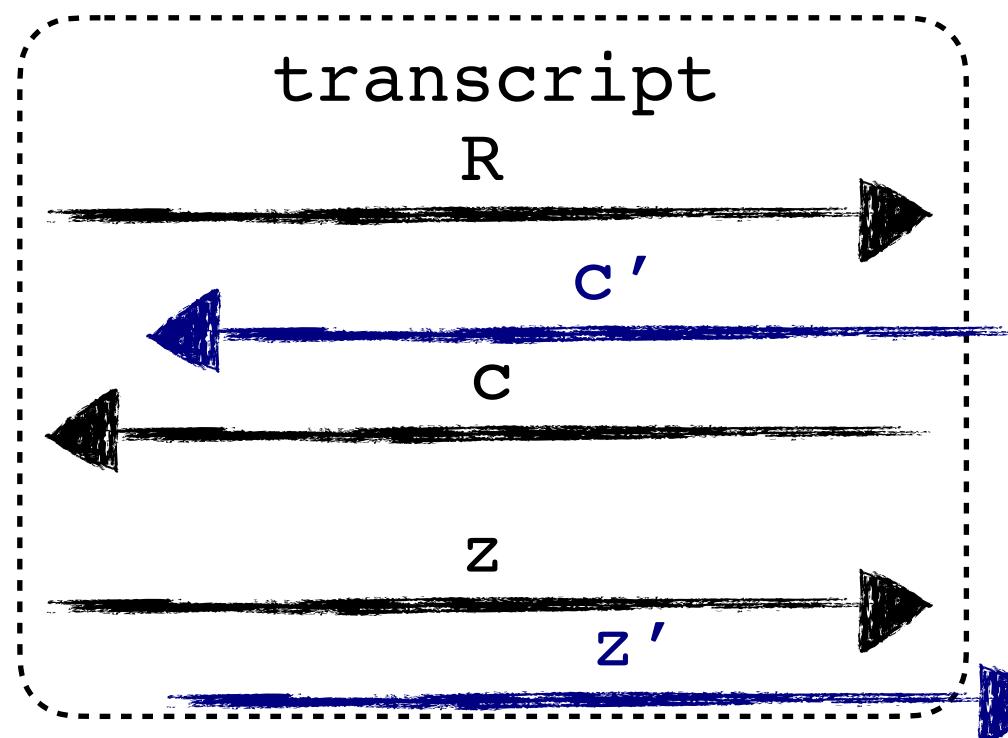
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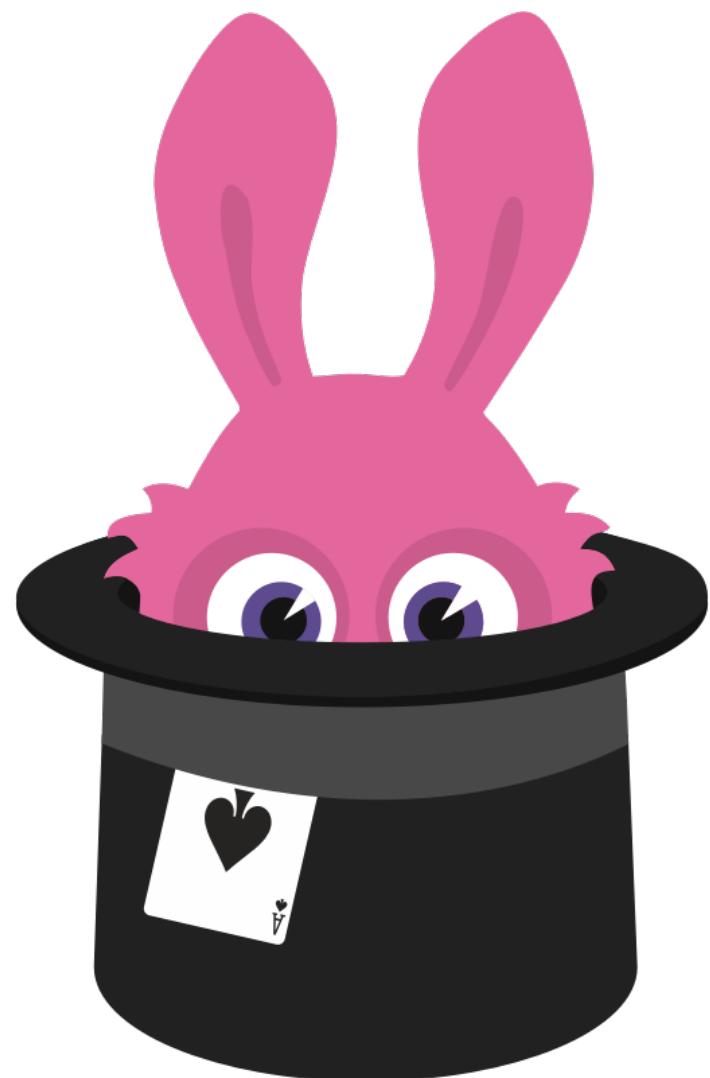
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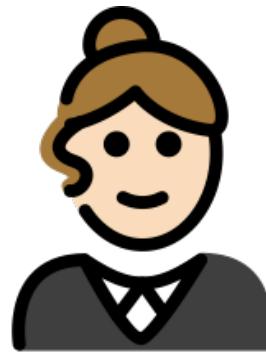
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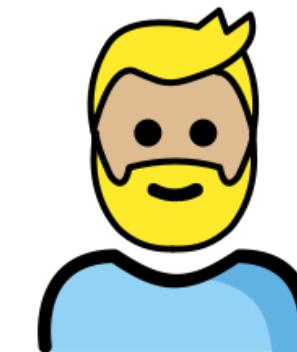
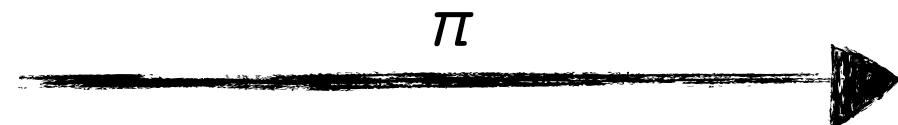
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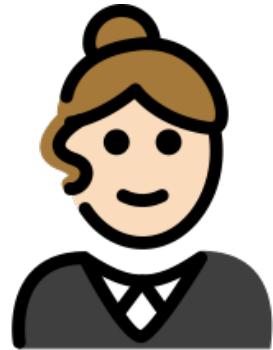
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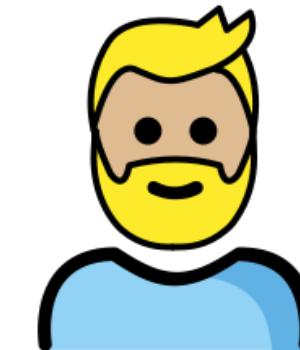
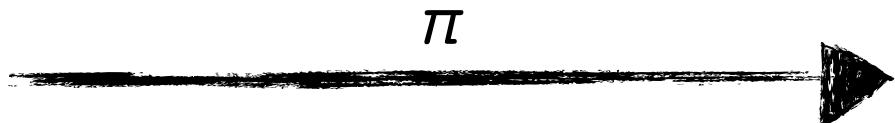
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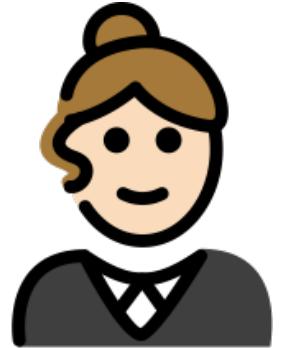
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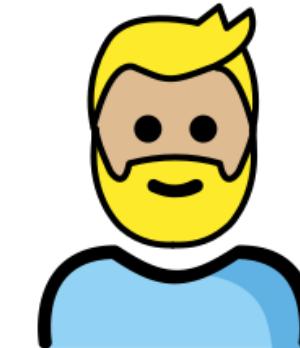
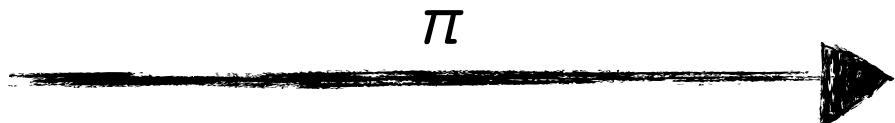
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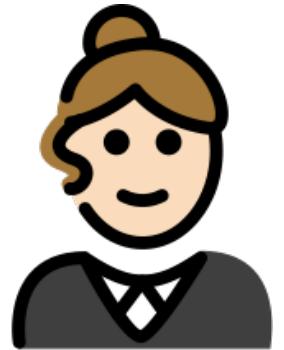
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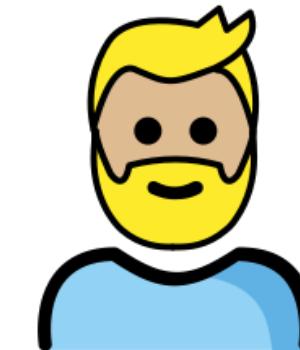
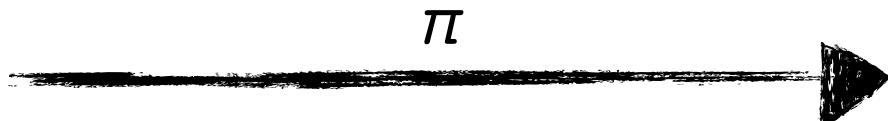


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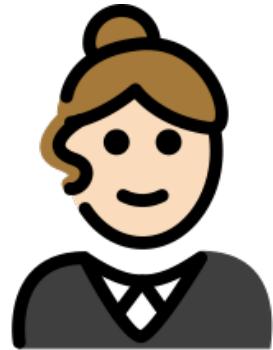
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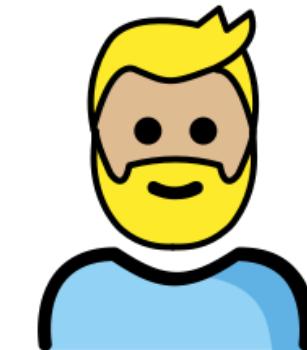
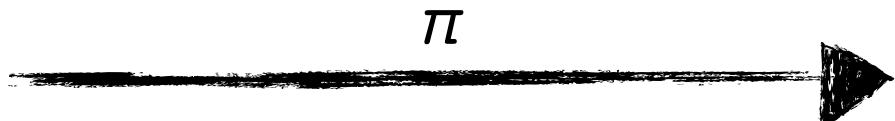
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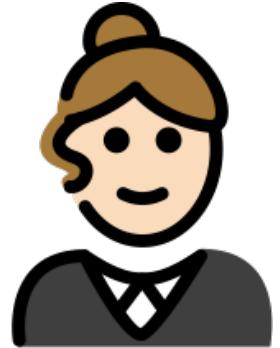


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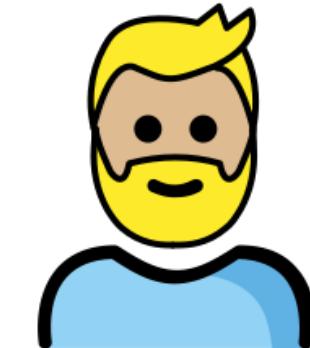
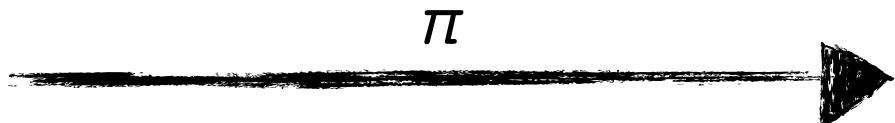
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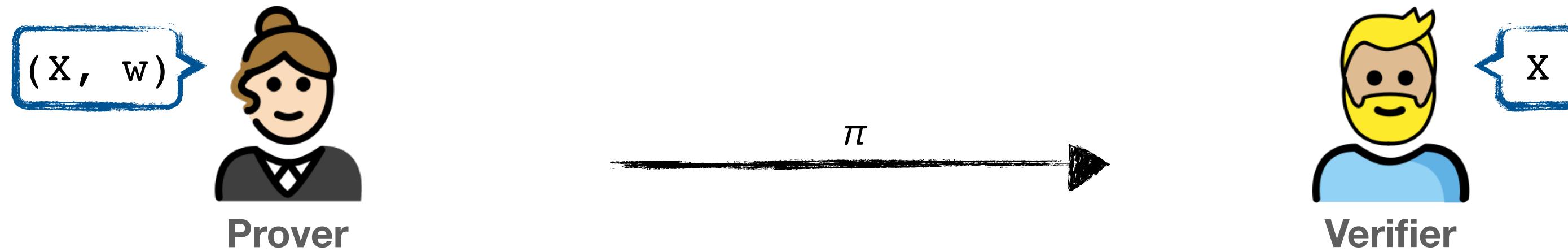
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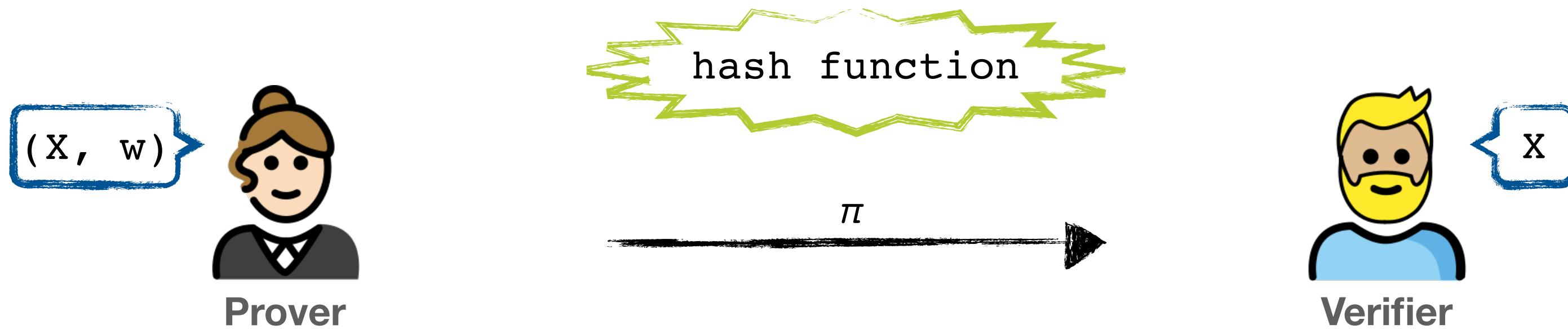
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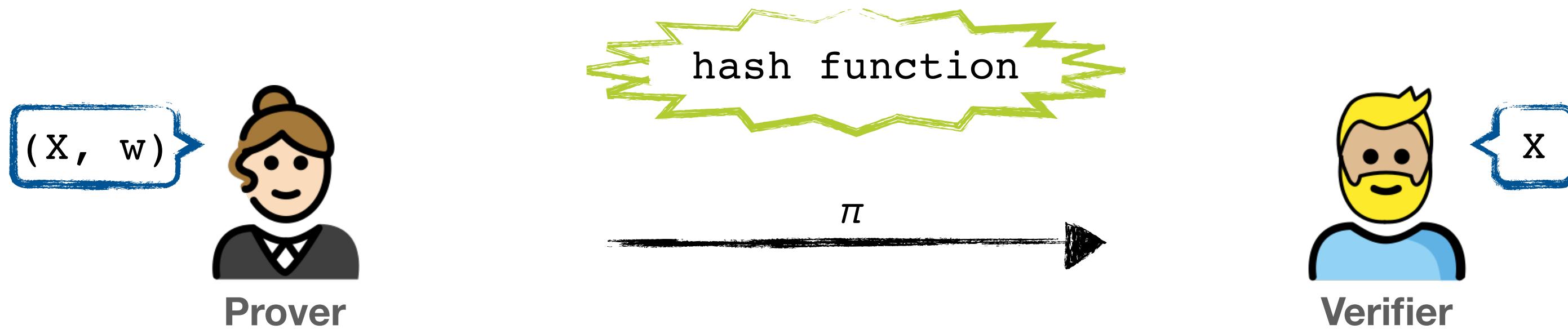
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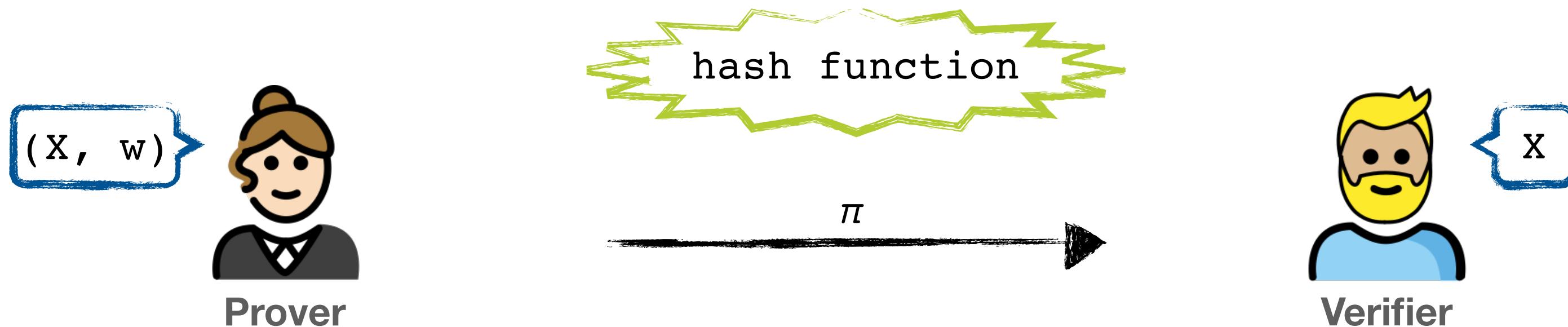
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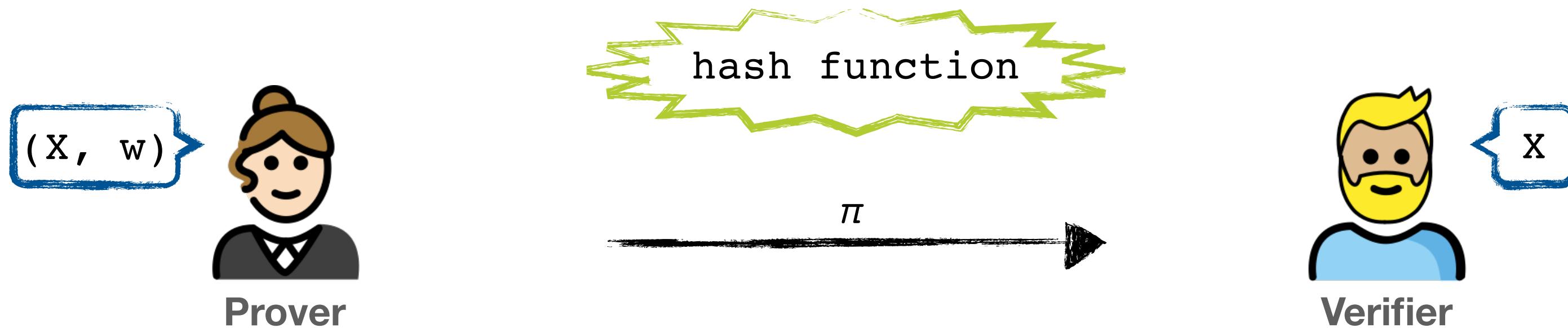
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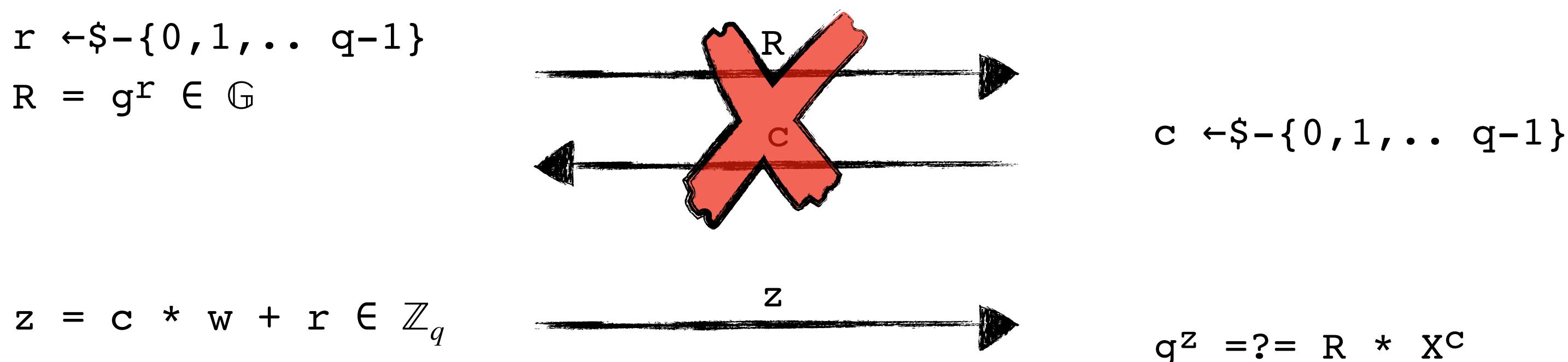
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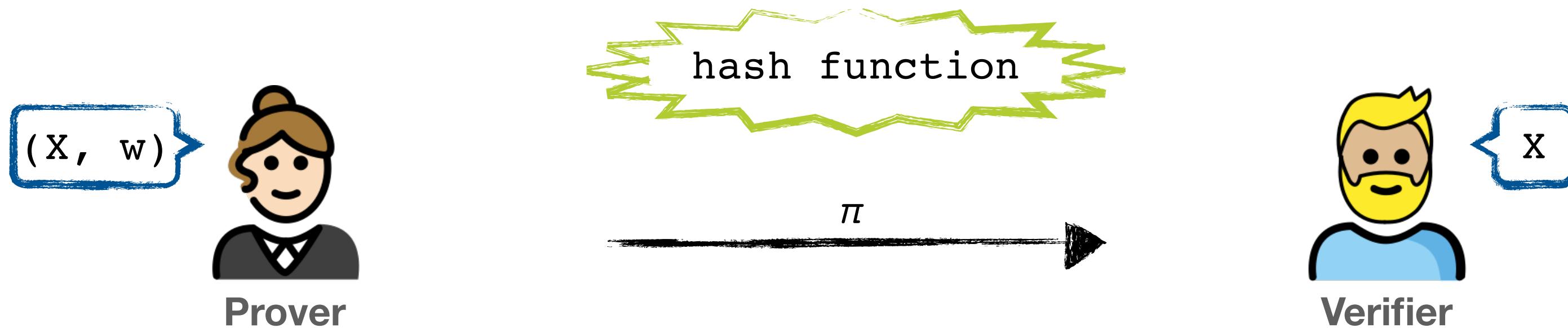
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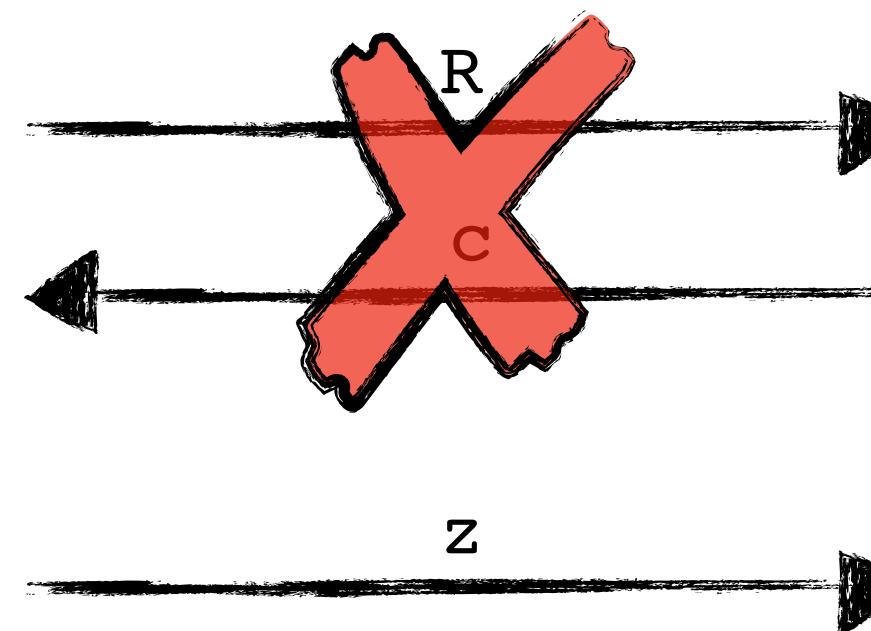
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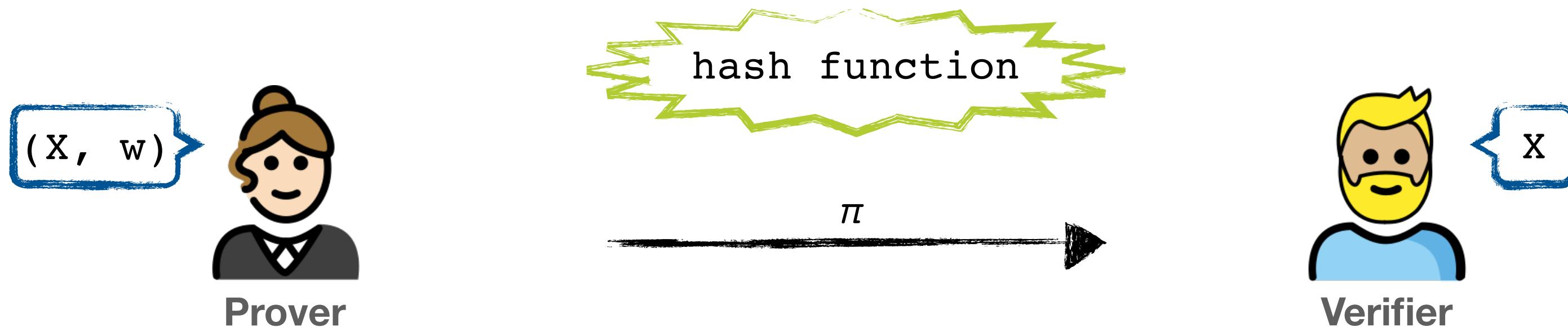


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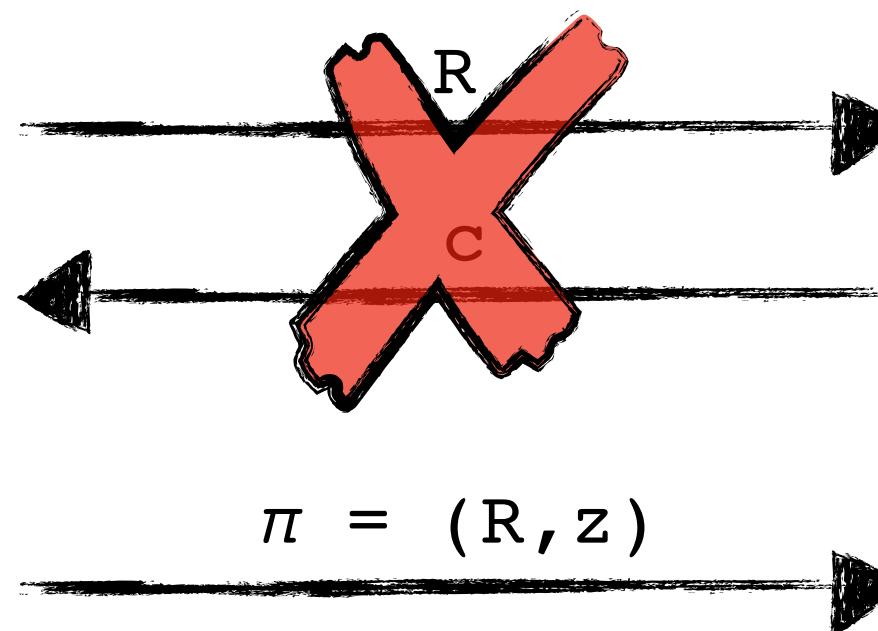
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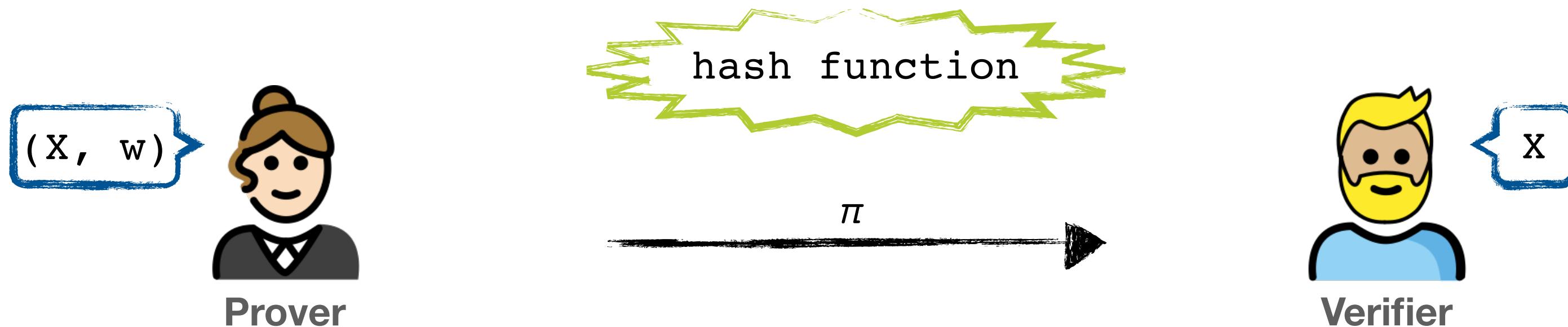


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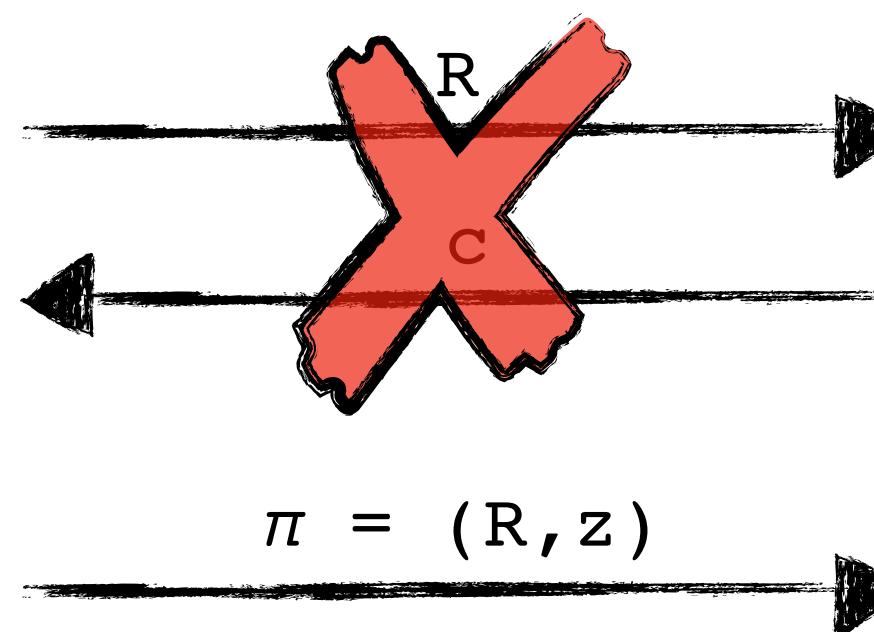


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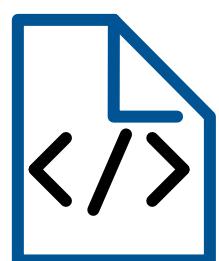


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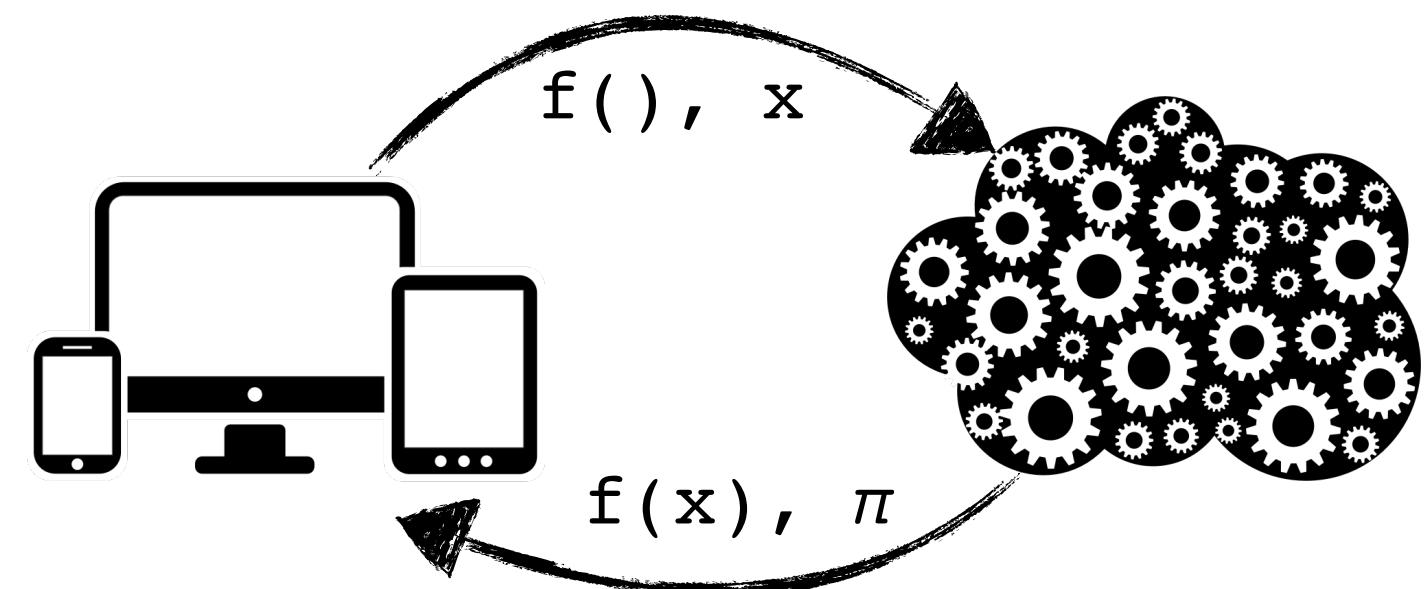
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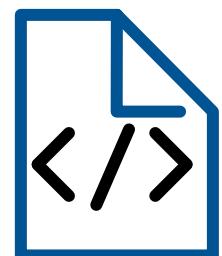


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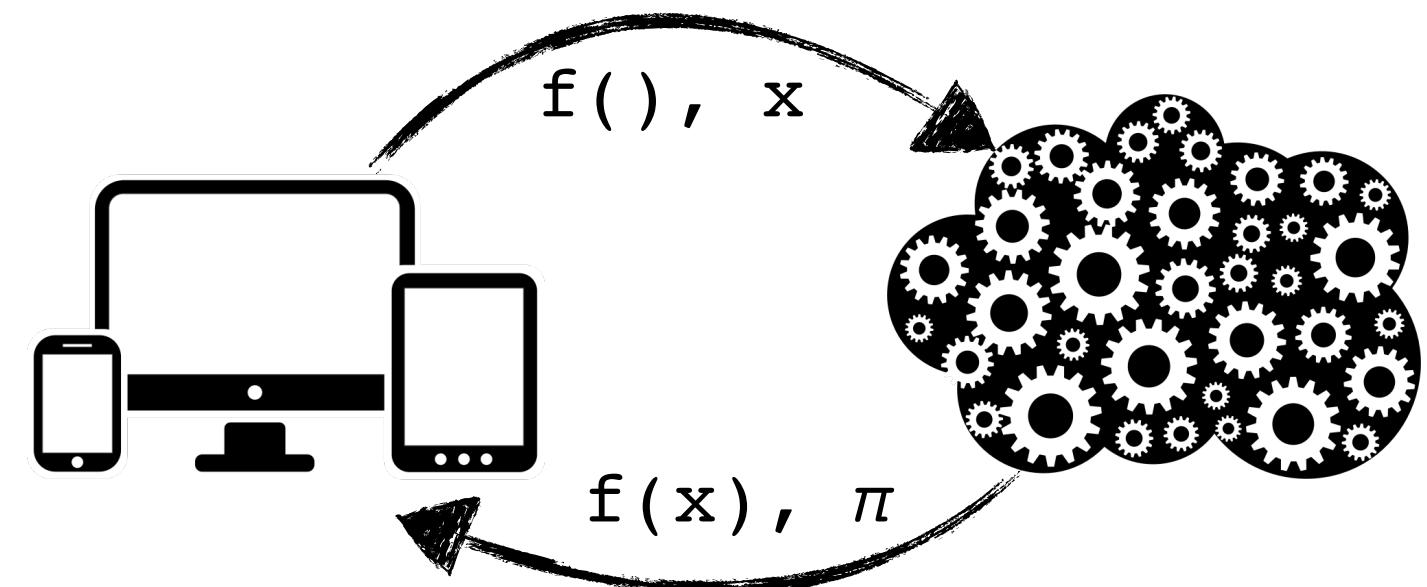
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