



Maintainers

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Ok, let's settle this once and for all: Babel is pronounced (poll)

24% Babel

13% Babel

51% 🐐🔔

12% ⚡⚡⚡

1,178 votes • Final results

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Jessica Dembe 📱 @jmdembe · 27 Aug 2018
Okay, let's make this a poll:

How do you pronounce the “Babel” in Babel.js?

72% BAH-bel ✓

23% BAY-bel

5% Other (please specify)

2,082 votes • Final results

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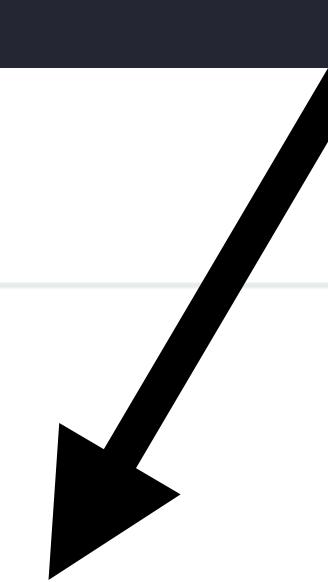


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Someone really made a PR after this tweet.

[https://soundcloud.com/sebmck/
how-to-pronounce-babel](https://soundcloud.com/sebmck/how-to-pronounce-babel)



Supporting Babel

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Babel (pronounced "babble") is a community-driven project used by many companies and projects, and is maintained by a group of [volunteers](#). If you'd like to help support the future of the project, please consider:

- Giving developer time on the project. (Message us on [Twitter](#) or [Slack](#) for guidance!)
- Giving funds by becoming a sponsor on [Open Collective](#) or [Patreon!](#)

Is there a Babel song?

I'm so glad you asked: [Hallelujah — In Praise of Babel](#) by @angus-c, audio version by @swyx. Tweet us your recordings!

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Hallelujah—In Praise of Babel

► ♪♪ [Audio version here!](#)

I heard there was a clever trick
That rewrote all your JavaScript
But you don't really care for magic, do you
Well it goes like this: the source, the dist
The ES five, the ES six
The sacred script transforming Hallelujah

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

1 year later..



Henry Zhu

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I've left my job to work on open source full time!

I just launched a Patreon at patreon.com/henryzhu so if you want to support my future work please check it out!

And here's a post to explain in more detail:



In Pursuit of Open Source (Part 1)

Left work; now open source full time!

henryzoo.com

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'When I'm full time, I could easily just continue to code. But in the end, it makes me want to think bigger; not just “more” of the same but a change in kind.' -me

sidenote:

It's not about working more than before

“open source sustainability”



Mikeal Rogers @mikeal · Aug 17

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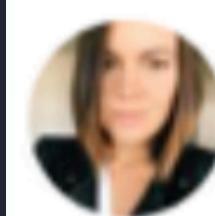
This is the new go-to image for "Open Source Sustainability" /cc @nayafia
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What is open source?

Abstraction

Leaky Abstractions?



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@rachsmithtweets

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Is Code (or Money)
sufficient?

What about licenses?

"The culture war at the heart of open source" (Steve Klabnik)

If you ask a random developer what “open source” means to them, you won’t often hear “software that follows the Open Source Definition.” If you ask them “what’s the difference between free software and open source software,” you’ll often hear “aren’t those the same thing?” or “you can charge money for open source software, it’s not always free.” You may even hear “it’s on GitHub.”

Conflation of issues?

Licenses are not sufficient

So why is it a problem that the concepts of free software and open source are intrinsically tied to licenses? It's that the aims and goals of both of these movements are about *distribution* and therefore *consumption*, but what people care about most today is about the *production* of software. Software licences regulate *distribution*, but cannot regulate *production*. (technically they can, but practically, they can't. I get into this below.) This is also the main challenge of whatever comes after open source; they cannot rely on the legal tactics of the last generation. I don't have solutions here.

Defining freedom

So where do we go from here?

I'm still, ultimately, left with more questions than answers. But I do think I've properly identified the problem: many developers conceive of software freedom as something larger than purely a license that kinds in on redistribution. This is the new frontier for those who are thinking about furthering the goals of the free software and open source movements. Our old tools are inadequate, and I'm not sure that the needed replacements work, or even exist.

"Making money with licenses"

(Nadia Eghbal)

A related idea here is, "*What if free-riding isn't the problem?*" Most users don't actually impose costs back to maintainers: they download the code and never interact with the project. From the maintainer's perspective, this is a good thing, because code can theoretically be distributed to millions of people without additional cost.

It's only when users cross over to the production side (ex. report bugs, ask questions, submit patches) that they start to impose costs. Maybe instead of trying to get everyone to pay for code, we should focus on addressing a smaller group of users who care a lot about how that code is produced.



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Amazing thing about open source guilt is that it can be mostly self-imposed. Don't owe anything to anyone yet I choose* to take on (unintentionally at first) responsibility which can easily lead to burden/anxiety due to a lot: no boundaries, proving self-worth, pride. it's hard 😊

8:08 PM - 2 Feb 2019

"For though I am free from all, I have made
myself a servant to all, that I might win more
of them..

I have become all things to all people"
- 1 Cor 9:19,22

Maintainers..

Maintainers are people!

Fear

never enough

"Fears about yourself prevent you from doing your *best* work, while fears about your reception by others prevent you from doing your *own* work"

-Art & Fear

"Last Call" (Larissa MacFarquhar)

..if you go to a psychiatrist, he will see you for just a **few minutes** and give you a **prescription**. Nemoto wanted to help.. so he created a suicide Web site: “**For those who do not want to die.**”

..a reply would arrive within **minutes**, and he
would reply to the reply..

He answered **all** phone calls, day or night..
What would come through over hours of talking
was an inarticulate, urgent, and bottomless
anxiety that seeped into him and didn't go
away.

From the hospital, he told them **he was sick**. When he checked back in to see how they'd responded to his announcement, he was shocked. **They didn't care that he was sick**: they were sick, too, they said; they were in pain, and he had to take care of them.

**what remained with him was a strong sense
that he wanted to do the work anyway.. even
if the people he spoke to felt nothing for him, he
still wanted something from them.**

**Helping people should be nothing special,
like eating, he thought—just something that he
did in the course of his life.**

He decided that from then on he would not communicate with people **until he had met them**..It would be difficult for many of them—his temple was in a remote place.. But this was the point. If they didn't want his help **enough to get to the temple**, it was unlikely that he could help them.

Why am I doing this?

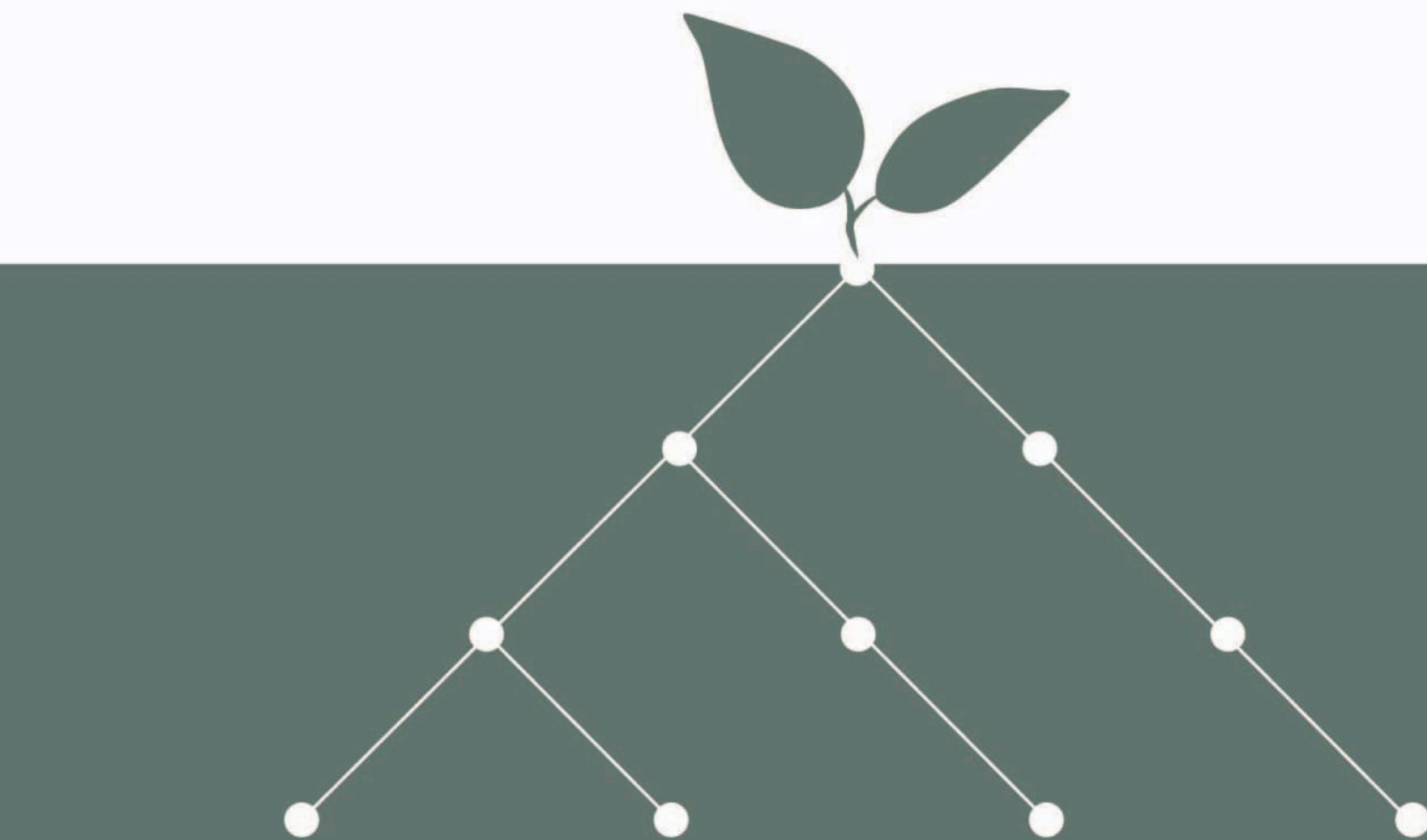
"Just do X"

“The person who loves their dream of community will destroy community, but the person who loves those around them will create community.”

-Bonhoeffer

Faith
communities

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<Hope in> Source

A podcast about faith and open source

The Life and Death of Great American Cities (Jacobs)

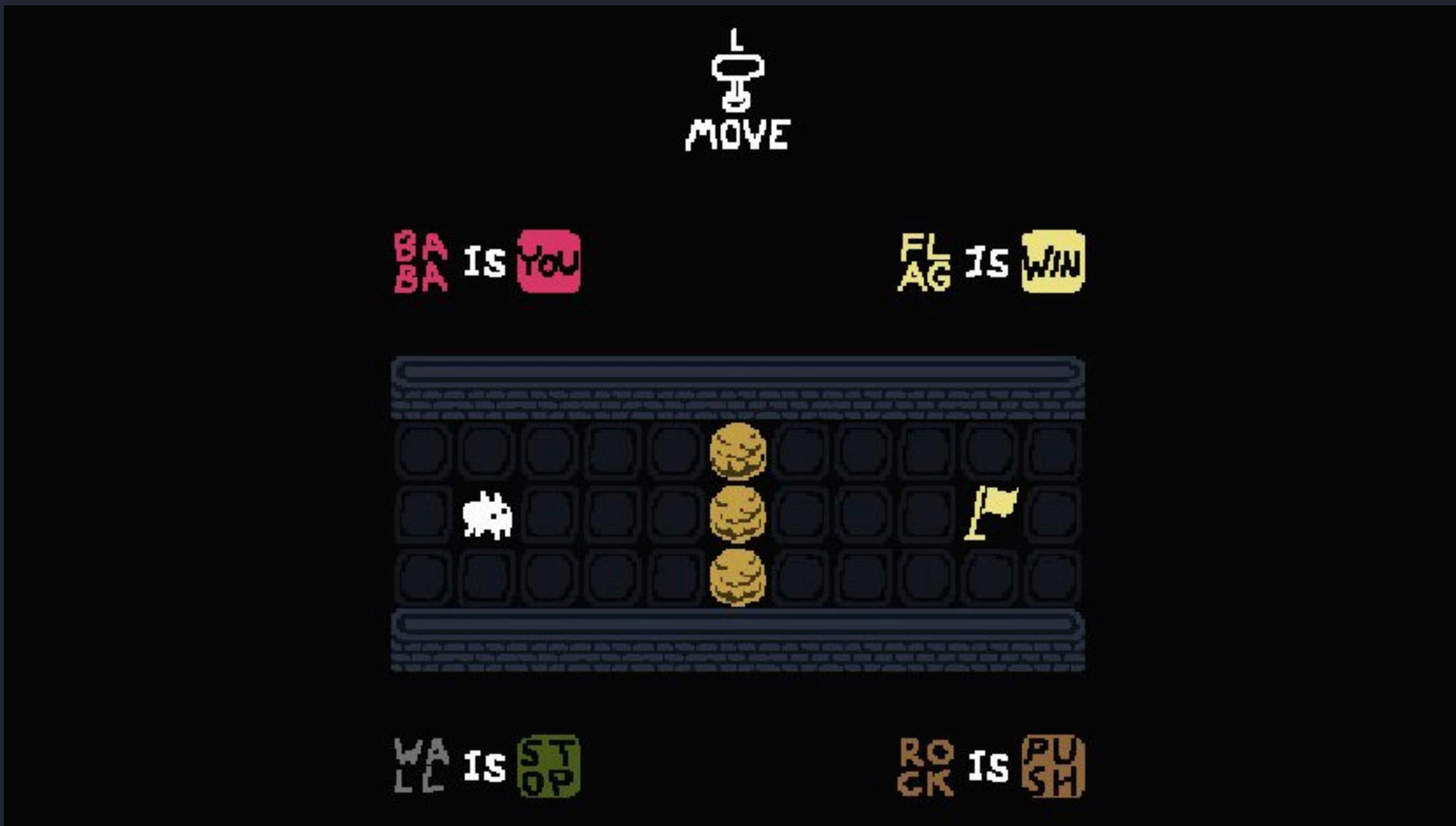
The kind of problem a city is

Thinking has its strategies and tactics too, much as other forms of action have. Merely to think about cities and get somewhere, one of the main things to know is what *kind* of problem cities pose, for all problems cannot be thought about in the same way. Which avenues of thinking are apt to be useful and to help yield the truth depends not on how we might prefer to think about a subject, but rather on the inherent nature of the subject itself.

Hanabi



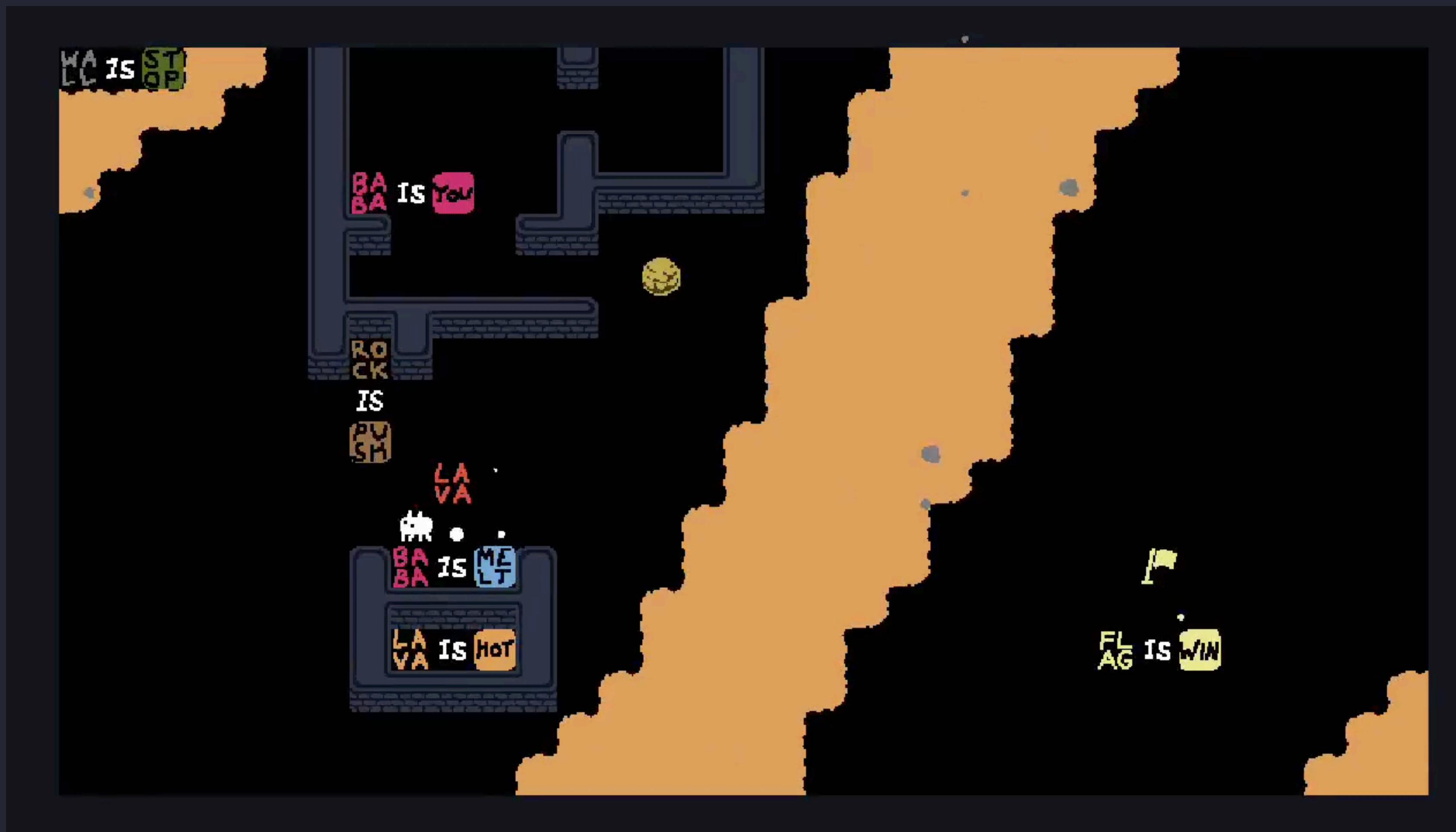
Baba is You



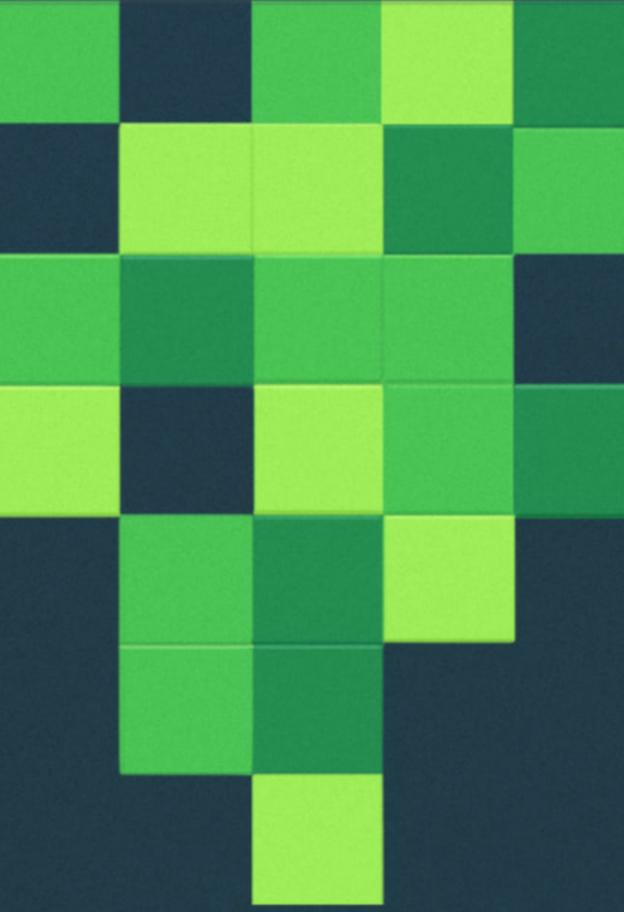
Baba is You (lava is push)



Baba is You (lava is baba)



What's next?



MAINTAINERS
ANONYMOUS

A relentless desire for efficiency



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So I've been thinking about teaching some folks at church about coding/programming: anyone have tips, or even more philosophical advice?

11:01 AM - 21 Mar 2019

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Our bodies matter

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BRAIN, MIND, AND BODY
IN THE HEALING OF TRAUMA



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"A MASTERPIECE THAT COMBINES THE BOUNDLESS CURIOSITY
OF THE SCIENTIST, THE ERUDITION OF THE SCHOLAR, AND THE PASSION
OF THE TRUTH TELLER." —JUDITH HERMAN, M.D.

"Don't search for the answers, which could not be given to you now, because you would not be able to live them. And the point is, to live everything. Live the questions now." -Rilke