

WIP

Implement Bitcoin Miner with CUDA

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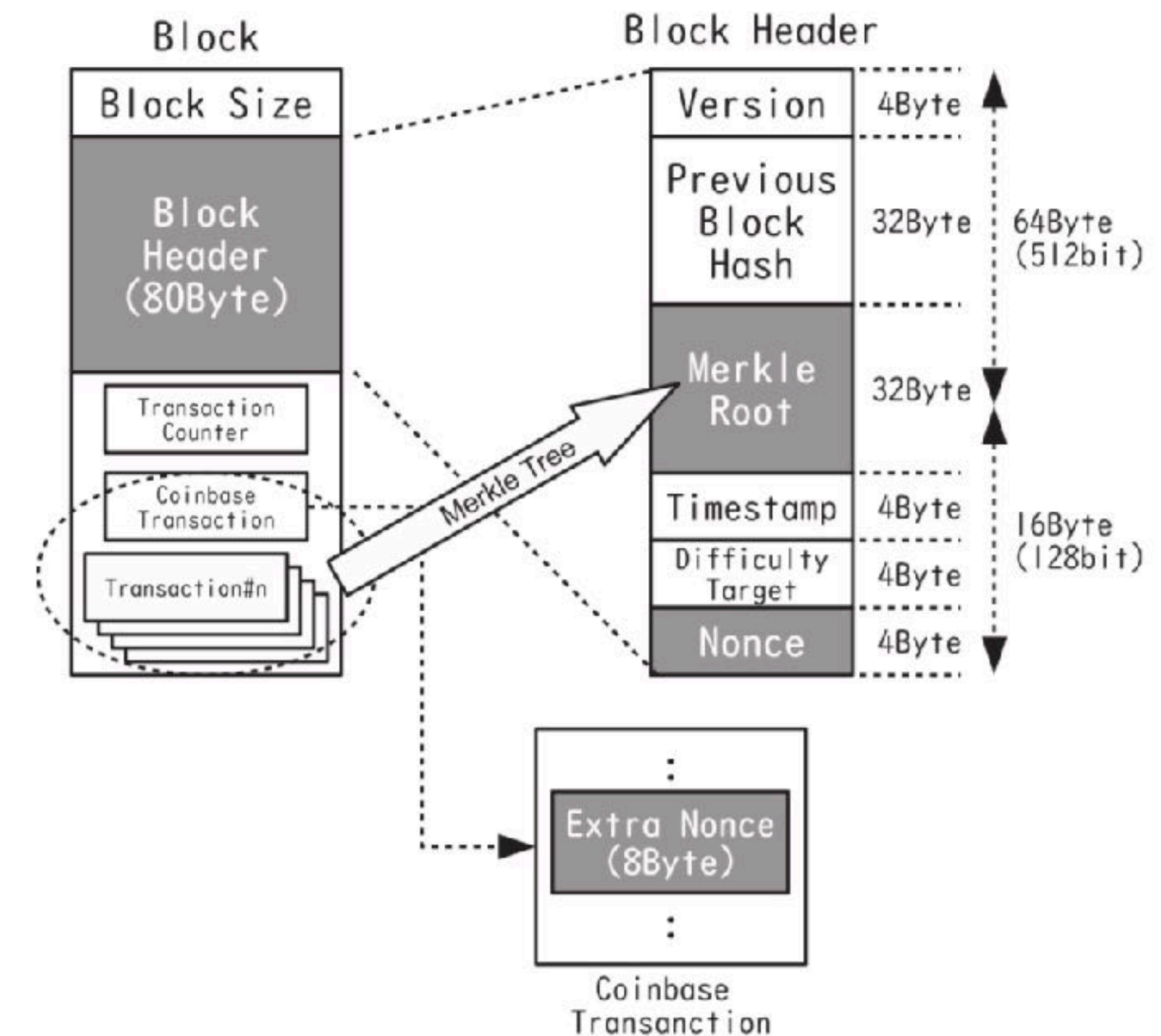
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How to mine bitcoin?

Proof of Work

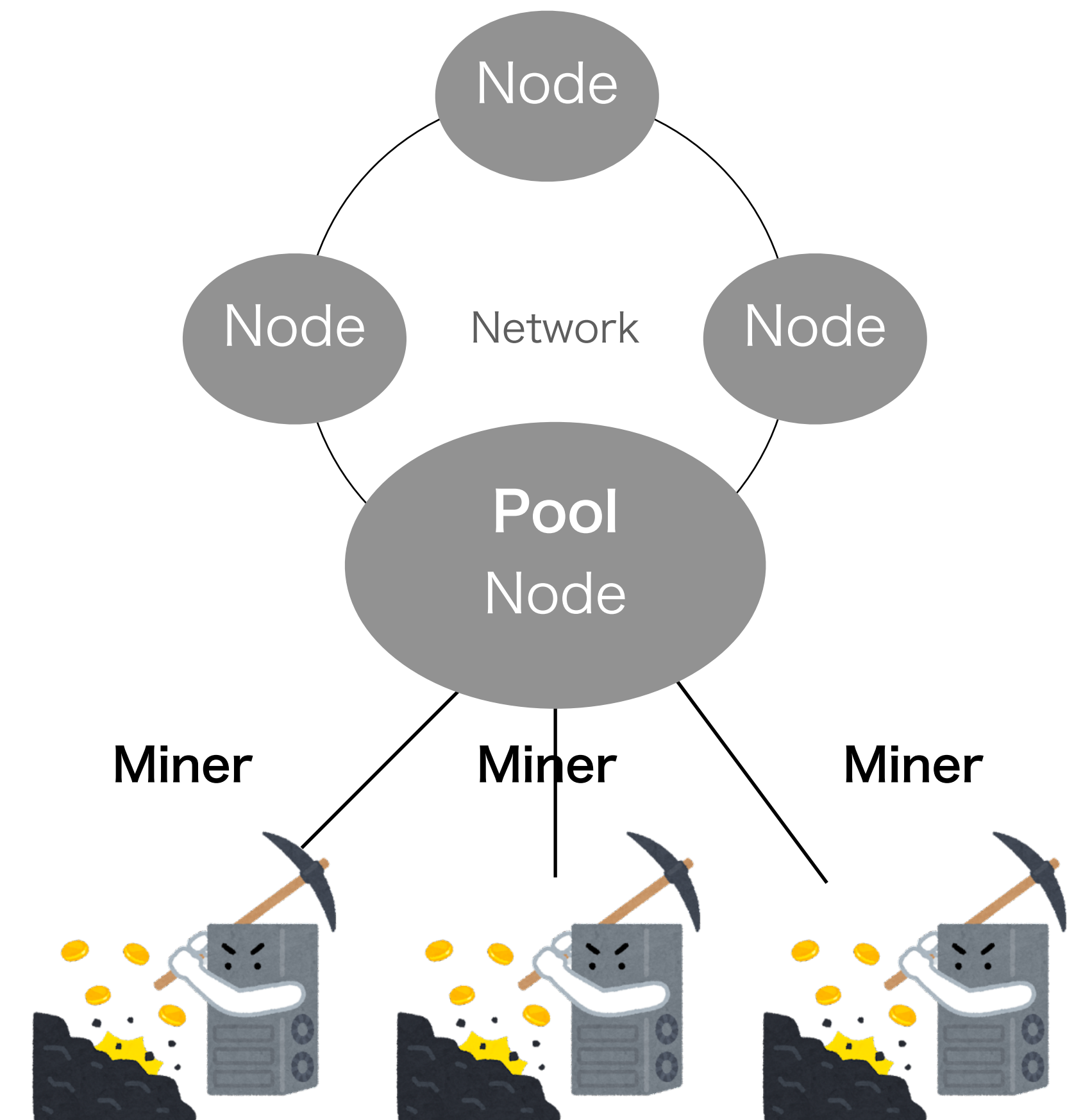
- $\text{sha256d}(\text{Block Header}) < \text{difficulty target}$
- Create a header that satisfies the above conditions by **trying various nonce fields of Block Header in a brute force.**



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Mining Pool

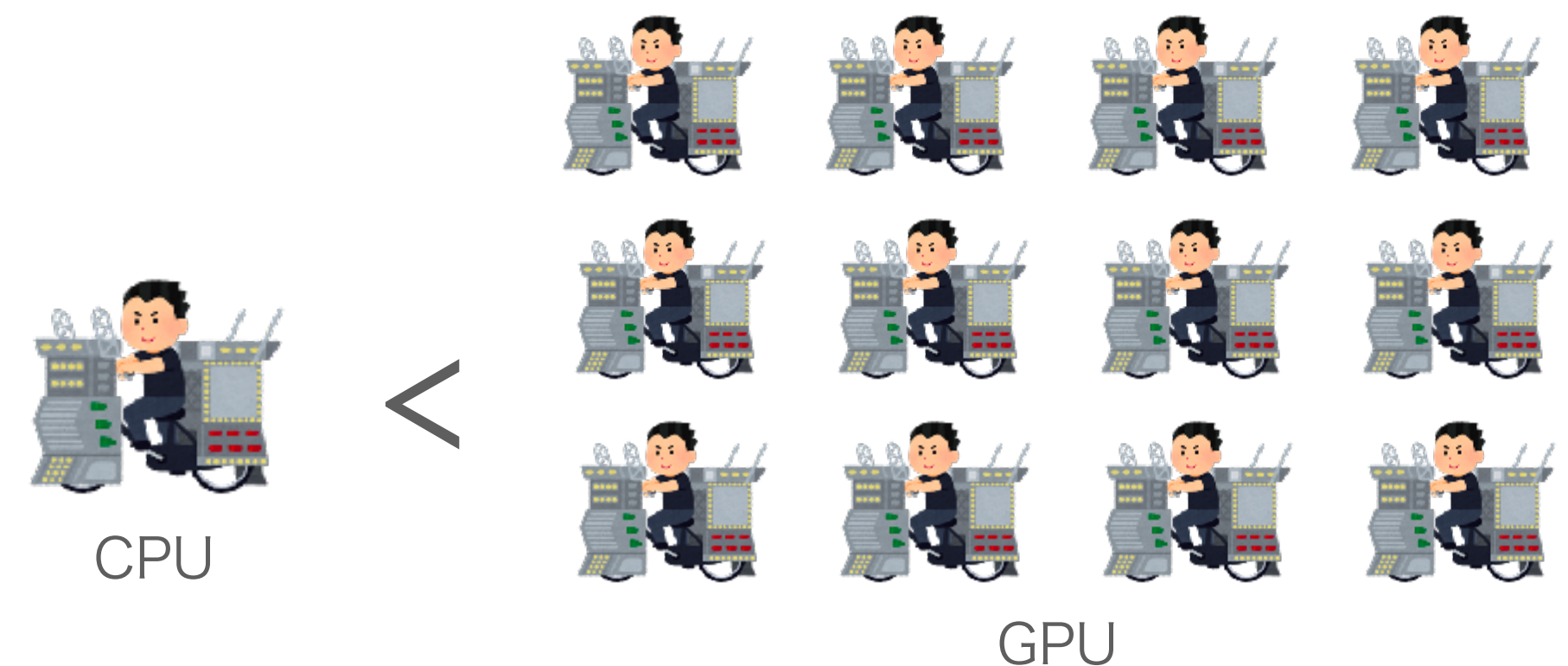
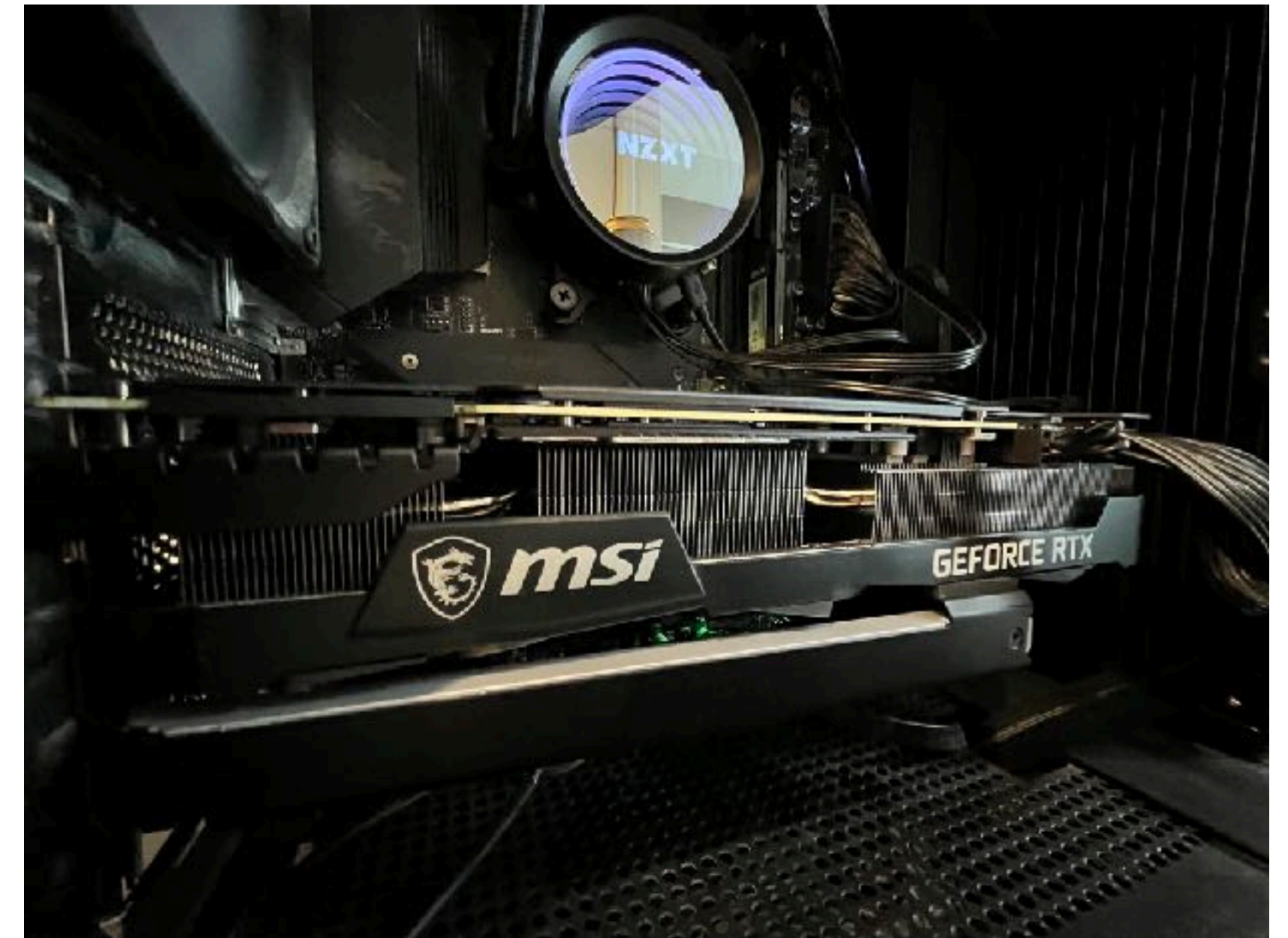
- Nowadays, **It is difficult to mine alone** because difficulty is too high
 - It looks like lottery
In personal-level computer resources, you have to be very lucky to find them.
- So, **mining pools** are used to mine with the cooperation of several miner.
 - If someone in the pool finds it, each minor gets a modest reward based on the amount of work done.



CUDA

- The more cores, the more nonce attempts
 - It can run many sha256 in parallel!
- My GPU: RTX 3090
10496 core, 24GB memory
 - It can run sha256 x 10496 in parallel
 - I bought this gpu for Machine Learning, but I'll use it for mining

自宅のRTX 3090😎



CUDA

- **GPGPU**: General-Purpose computing on GPU
- **CUDA**: Platform for GPGPU provided by NVIDIA
- Functions written in C-lang can be executed in parallel on NVIDIA GPUs.

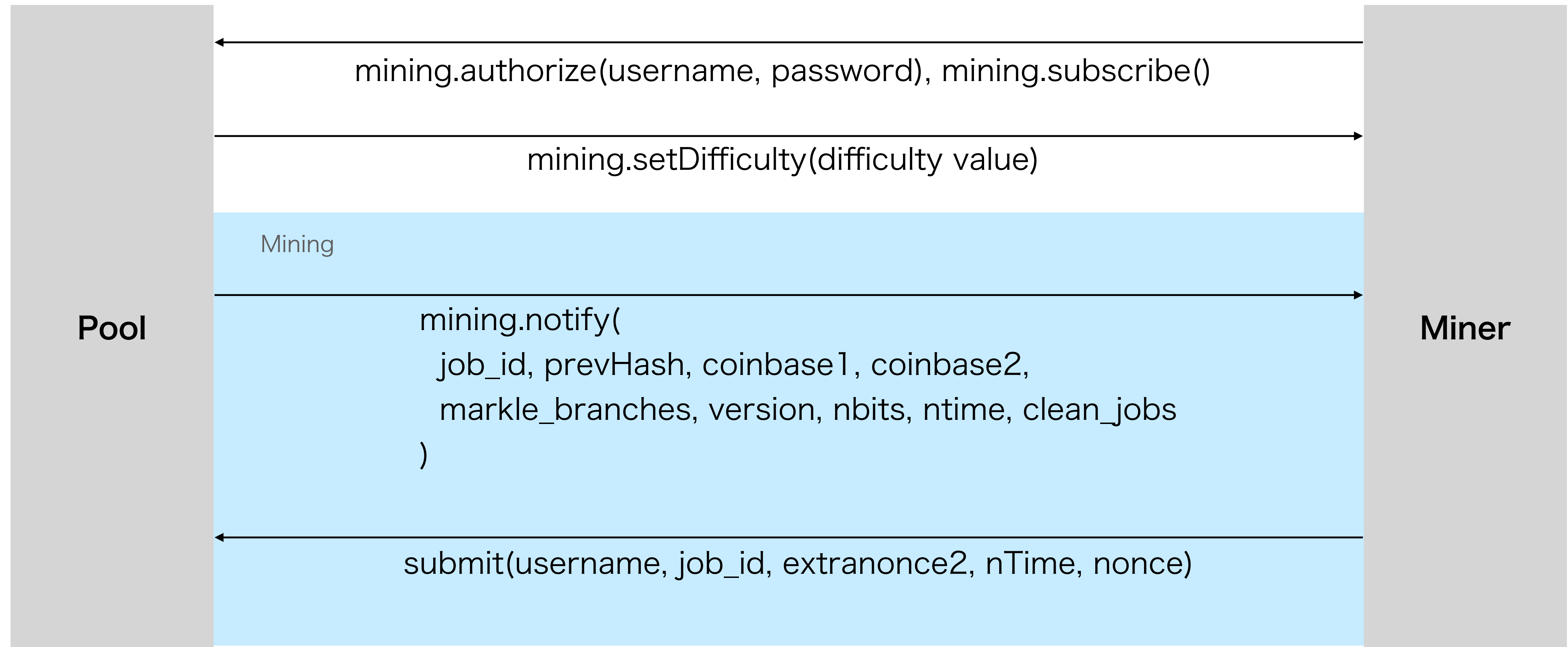


Stratum Mining Protocol

- **Protocol for communication between pools and miners**
- Communication over TCP sockets, using JSON-RPC
 - RPC: Remote Procedure Call
- Send the method name and arguments to be called in JSON

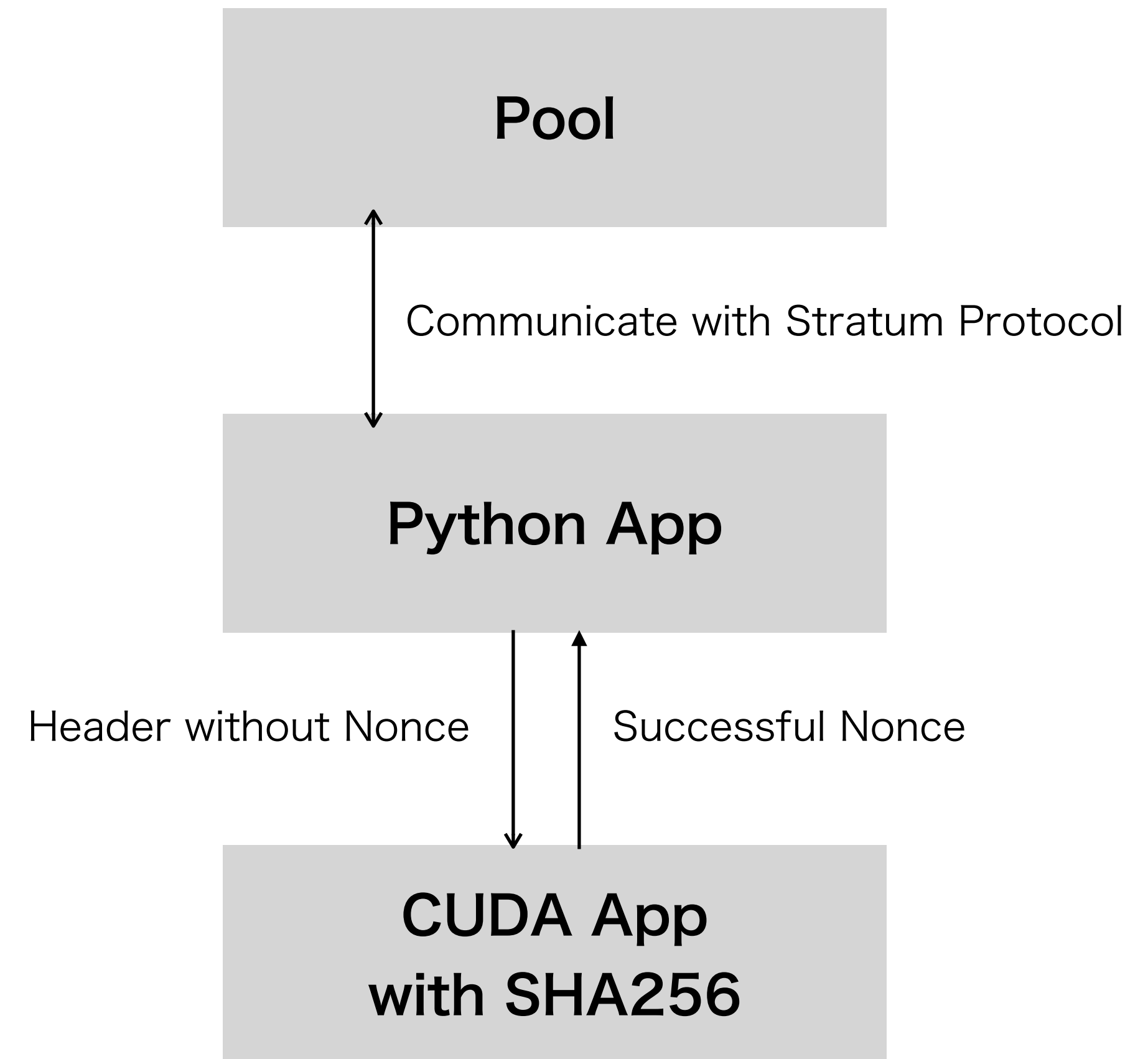
Stratum Mining Protocol

Protocol Details



Implement

- Communication with Pool is implemented in Python
- Hash calculation part is implemented in CUDA
- I just finished the implementation. Evaluation is not yet...



My thoughts

- It was fun!
- Stratum protocol is a plaintext communication, so I would like to try the Man in the Middle attack.
- I would learn Stratum V2 Protocol which use Noise protocol for encryption
- (I thought Pool is a centralized point, which is not good.)

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