

Insecure Transit

Microservice Security

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HTTP + TLS

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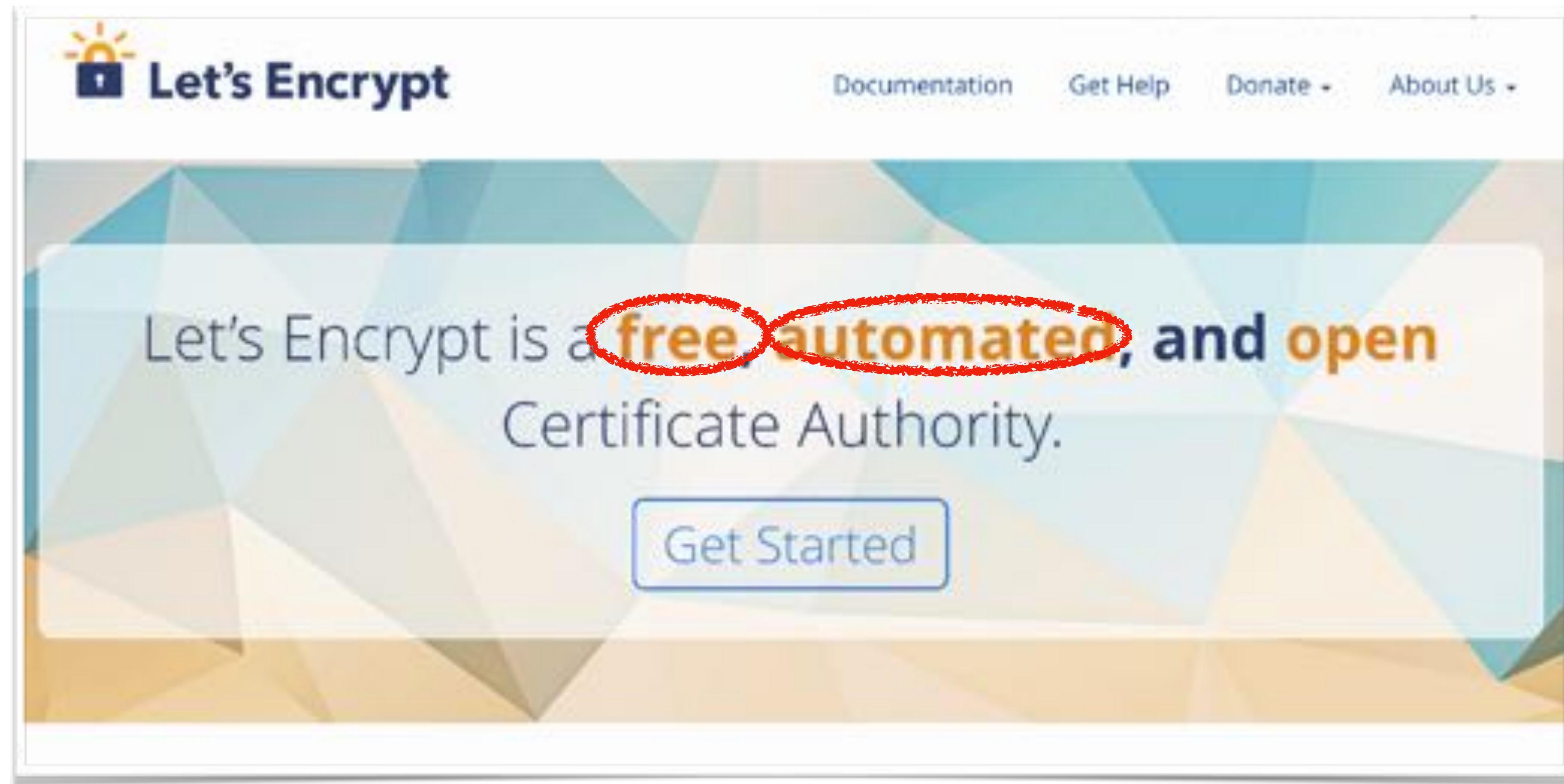
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AWS CERTIFICATE MANAGER

The screenshot shows the AWS Certificate Manager landing page. At the top, the title "AWS Certificate Manager" is displayed in orange. Below the title, a large paragraph explains the service's purpose: provisioning, managing, and deploying SSL/TLS certificates for AWS services. To the right, there is a call-to-action box with the text "Manage Your AWS Resources" and a "Sign in to the Console" button.

AWS Certificate Manager is a service that lets you easily provision, manage, and deploy Secure Sockets Layer/Transport Layer Security (SSL/TLS) certificates for use with AWS services. SSL/TLS certificates are used to secure network communications and establish the identity of websites over the Internet. AWS Certificate Manager removes the time-consuming manual process of purchasing, uploading, and renewing SSL/TLS certificates. With AWS Certificate Manager, you can quickly request a certificate, deploy it on AWS resources such as Elastic Load Balancers, Amazon CloudFront distributions, and APIs on API Gateway, and let AWS Certificate Manager handle certificate renewals. SSL/TLS certificates provisioned through AWS Certificate Manager are free. You pay only for the AWS resources you create to run your application.

<https://aws.amazon.com/certificate-manager/>

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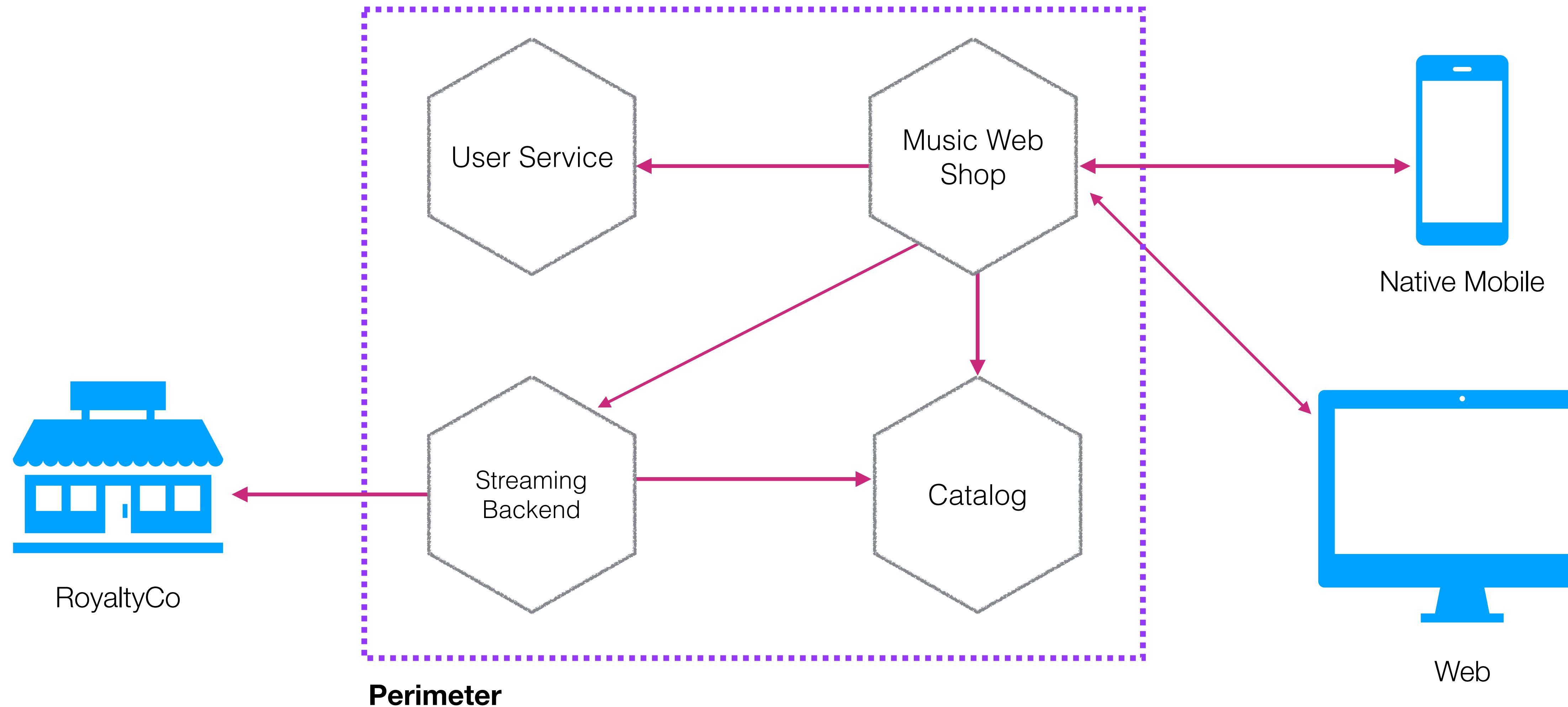
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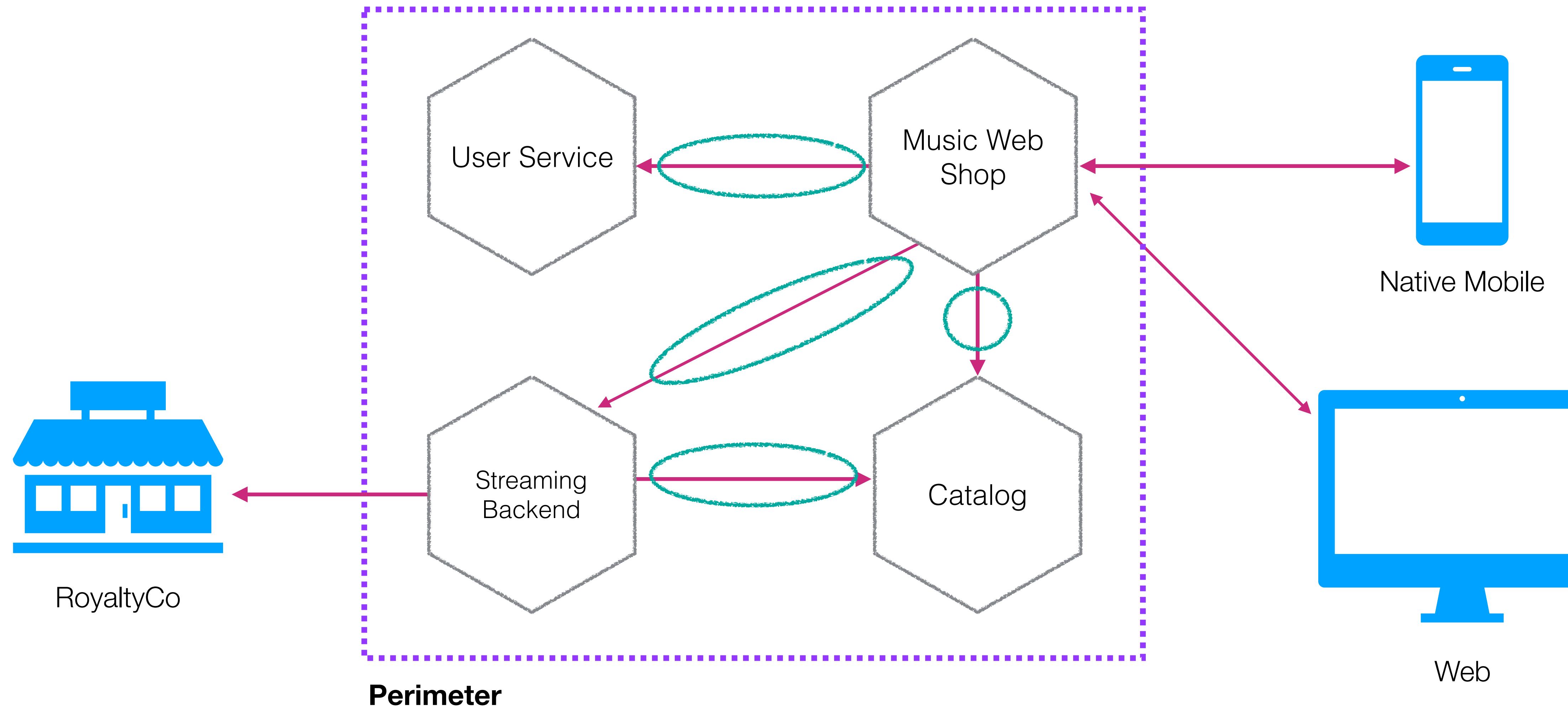
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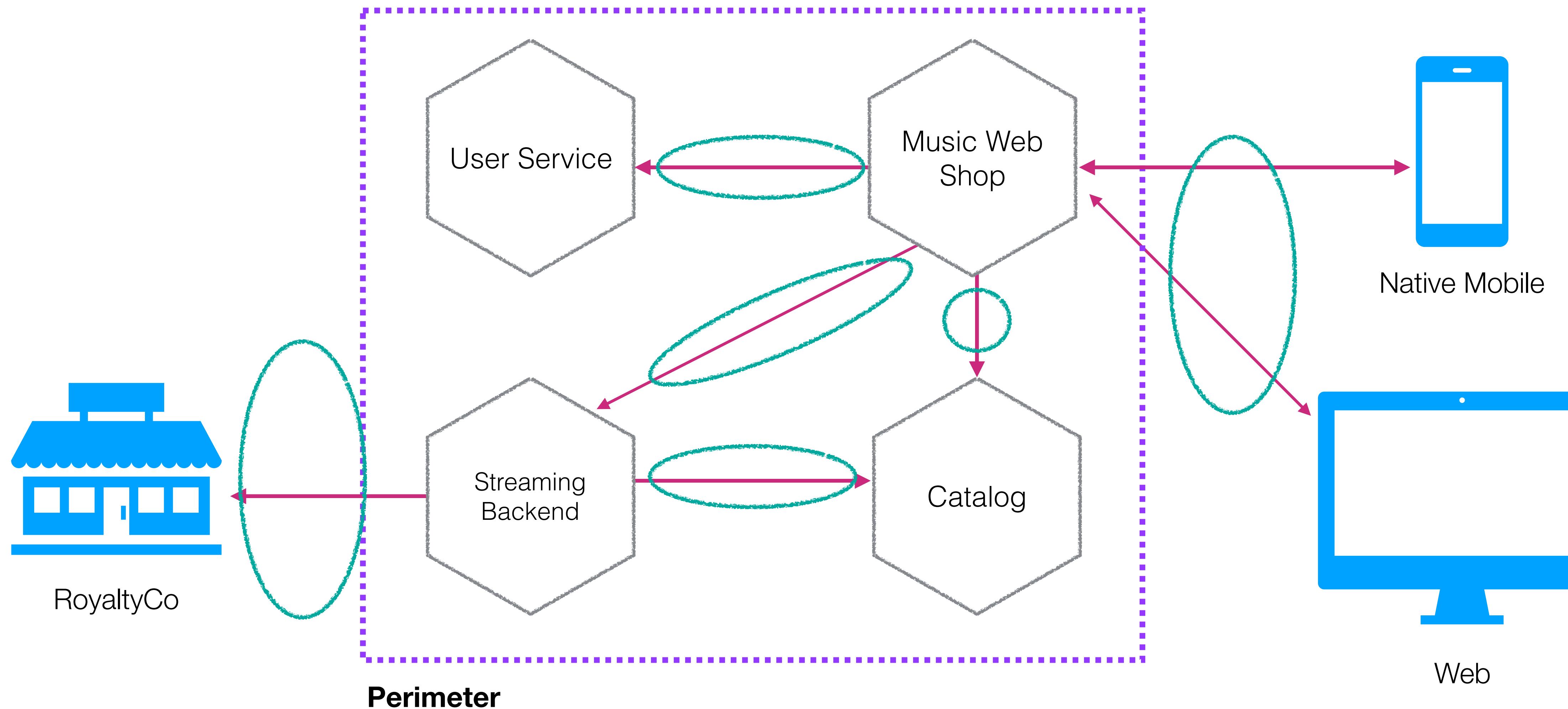
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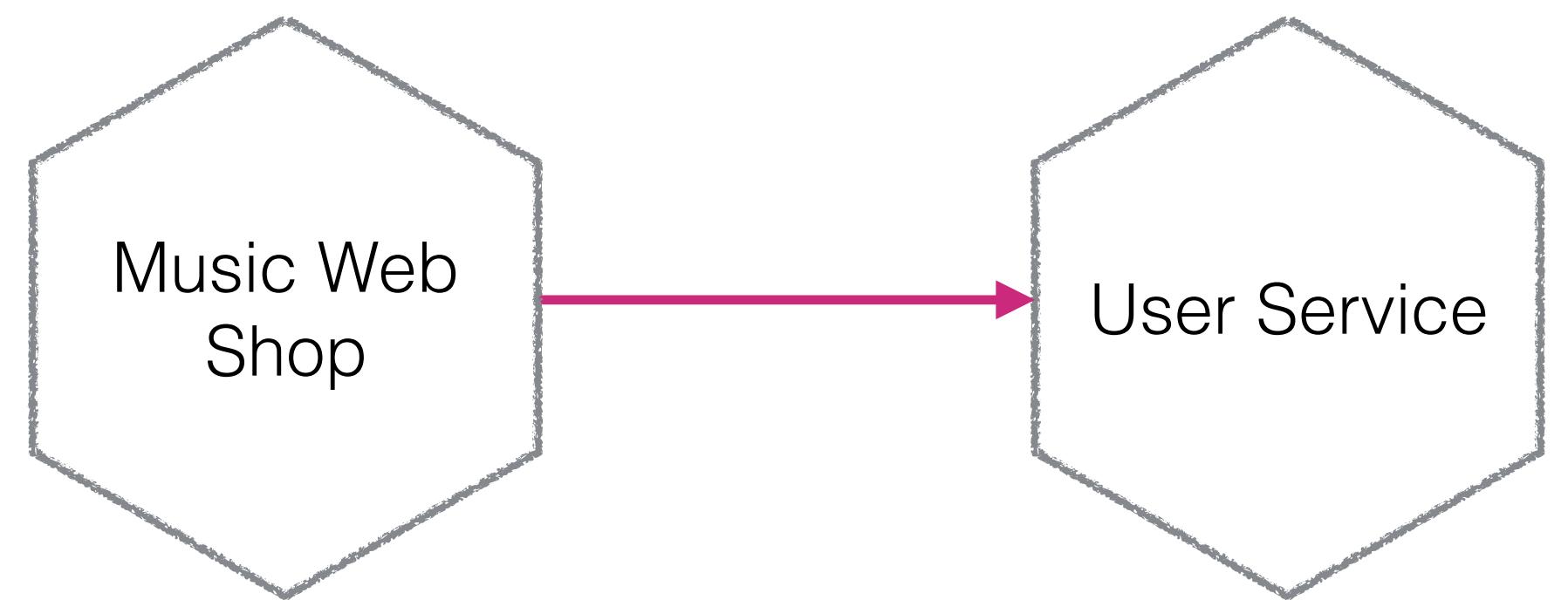


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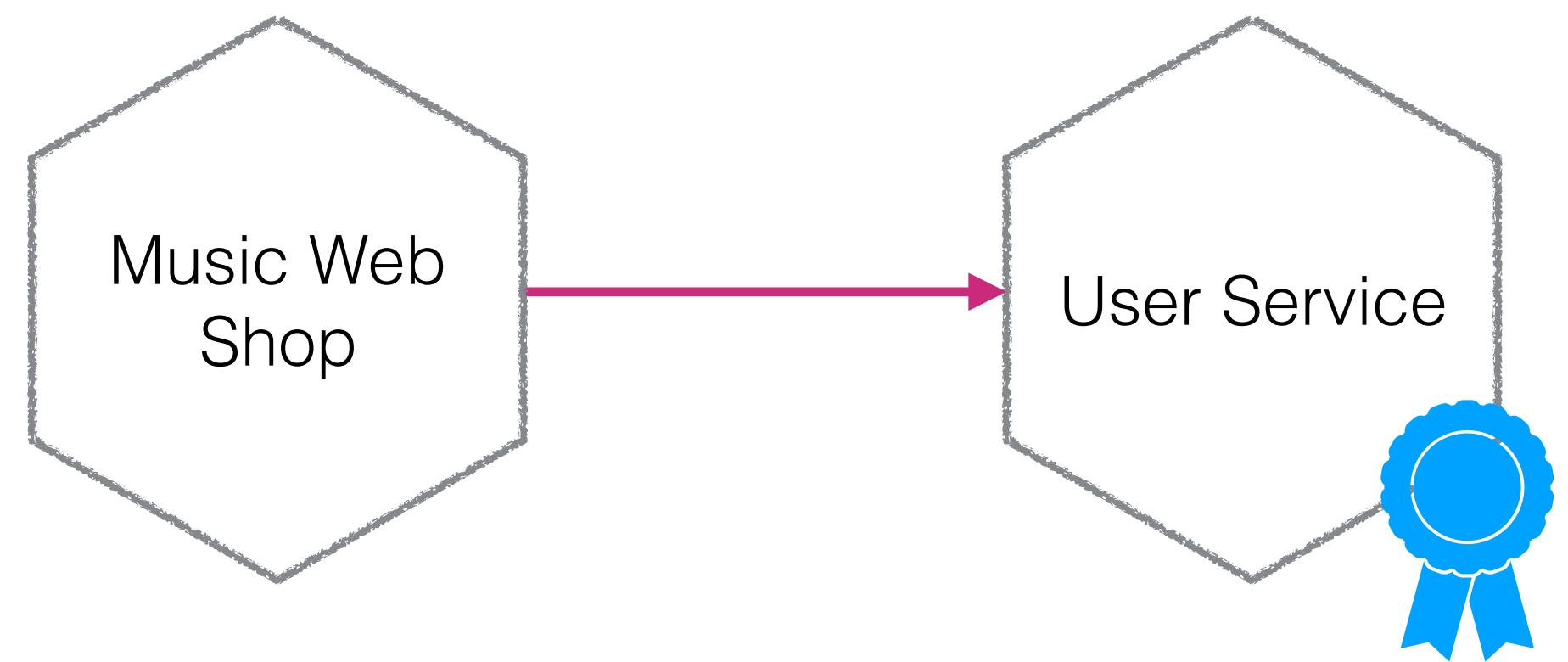


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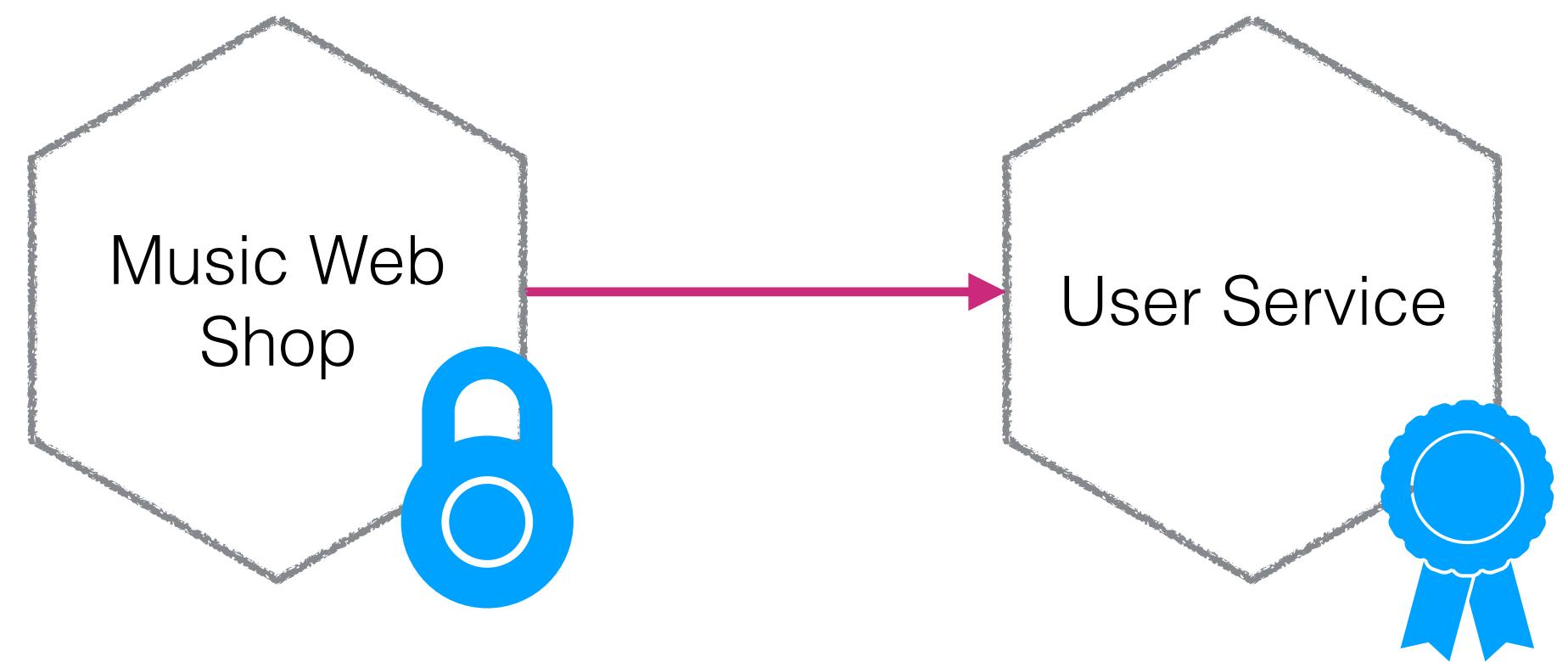
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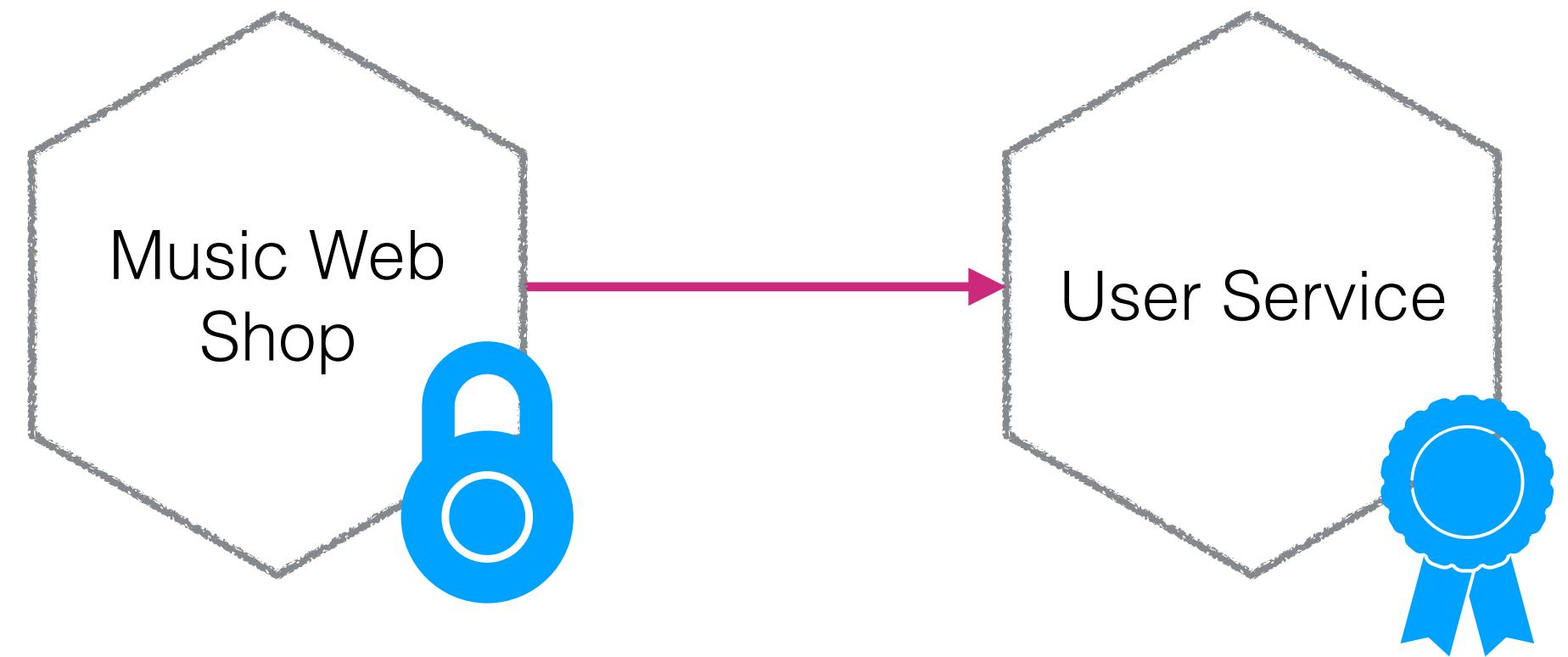
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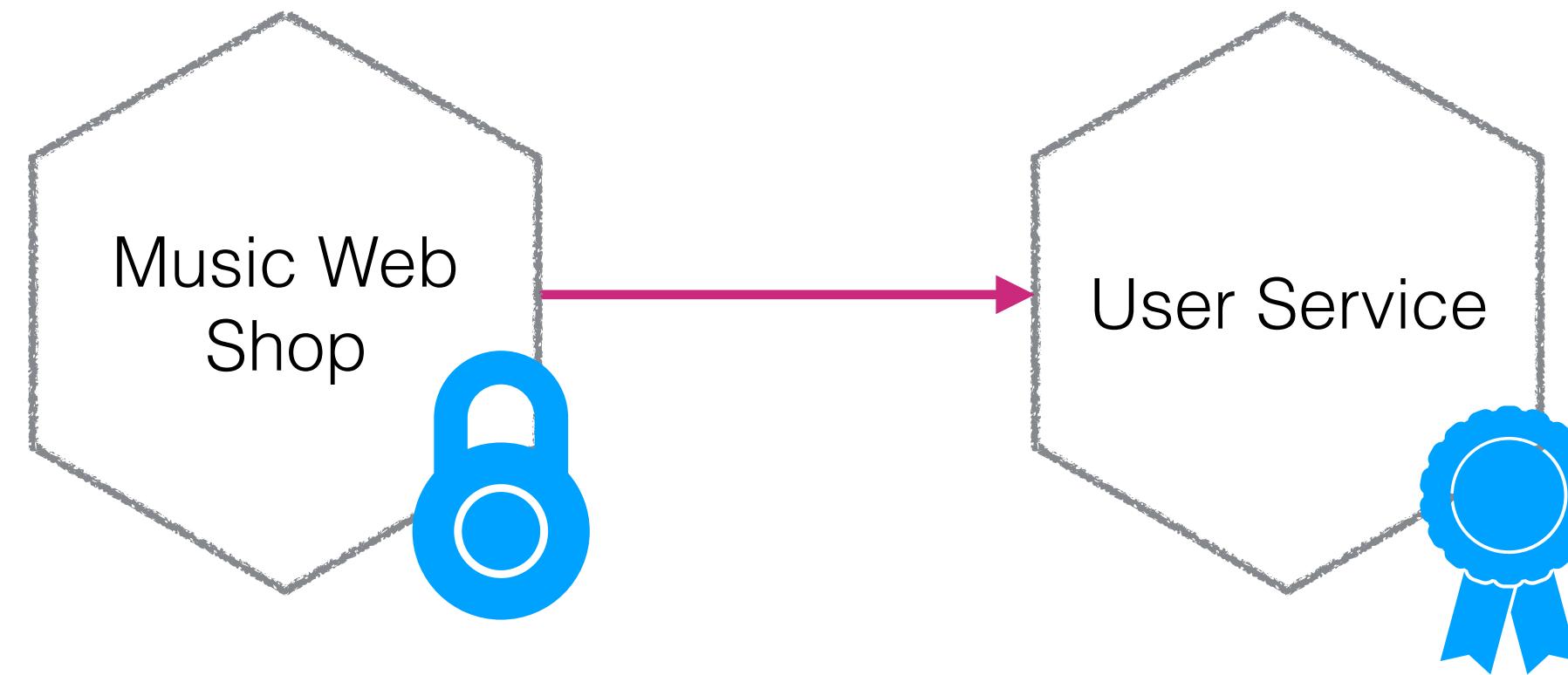


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AZURE - CLIENT-SIDE CERTIFICATE MANAGEMENT

How to secure back-end services using client certificate authentication in Azure API Management

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API Management provides the capability to secure access to the back-end service of an API using client certificates. This guide shows how to manage certificates in the API publisher portal, and how to configure an API to use a certificate to access its back-end service.

For information about managing certificates using the API Management REST API, see [Azure API Management REST API Certificate entity](#).

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/api-management/api-management-howto-mutual-certificates>

AWS - CLIENT-SIDE CERTIFICATE MANAGEMENT

AWS Documentation » Amazon API Gateway » Developer Guide » Controlling Access to an API in API Gateway » Use Client-Side SSL Certificates for Authentication by the Backend

Use Client-Side SSL Certificates for Authentication by the Backend

You can use API Gateway to generate an SSL certificate and use its public key in the backend to verify that HTTP requests to your backend system are from API Gateway. This allows your HTTP backend to control and accept only requests originating from Amazon API Gateway, even if the backend is publicly accessible.

Note

Some backend servers may not support SSL client authentication as API Gateway does and could return an SSL certificate error. For a list of incompatible backend servers, see [Known Issues](#).

The SSL certificates that are generated by API Gateway are self-signed and only the public key of a certificate is visible in the API Gateway console or through the APIs.

Topics

- [Generate a Client Certificate Using the API Gateway Console](#)
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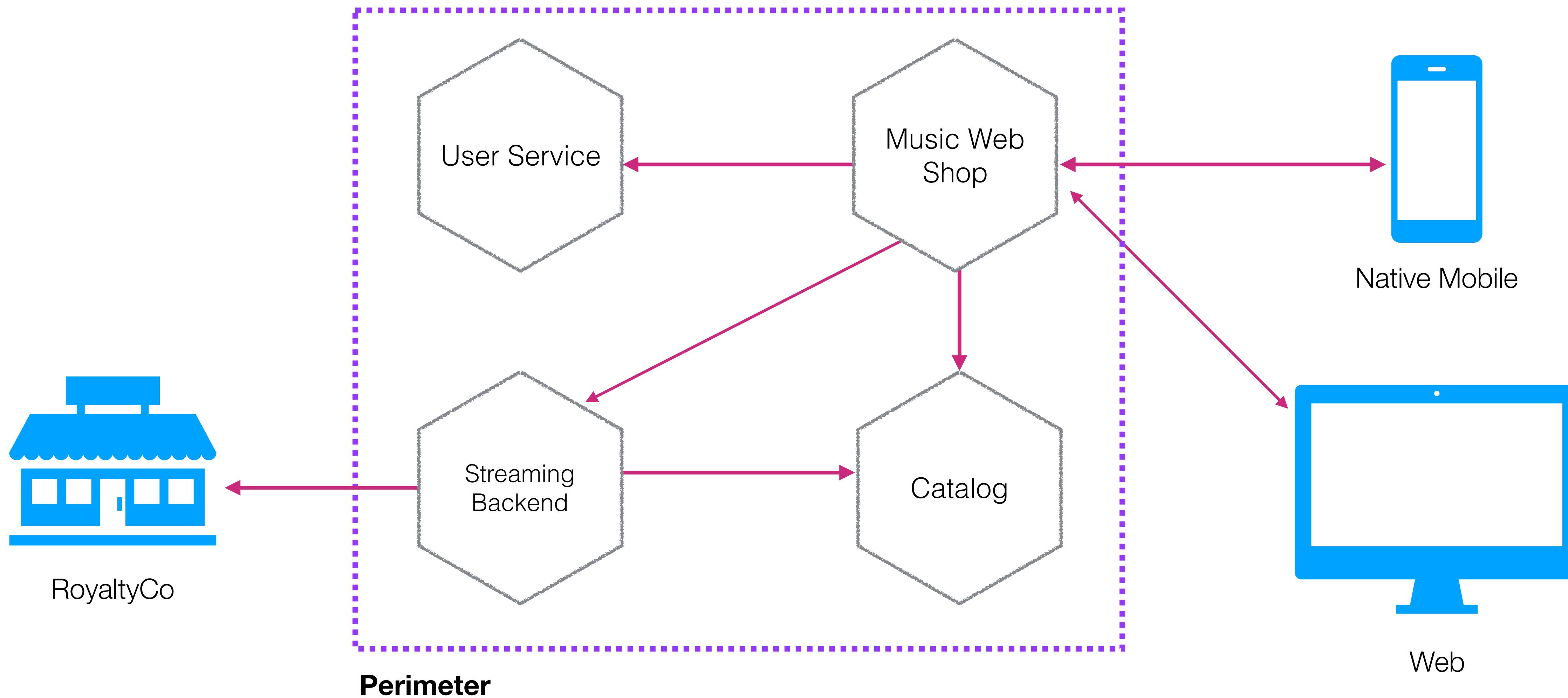
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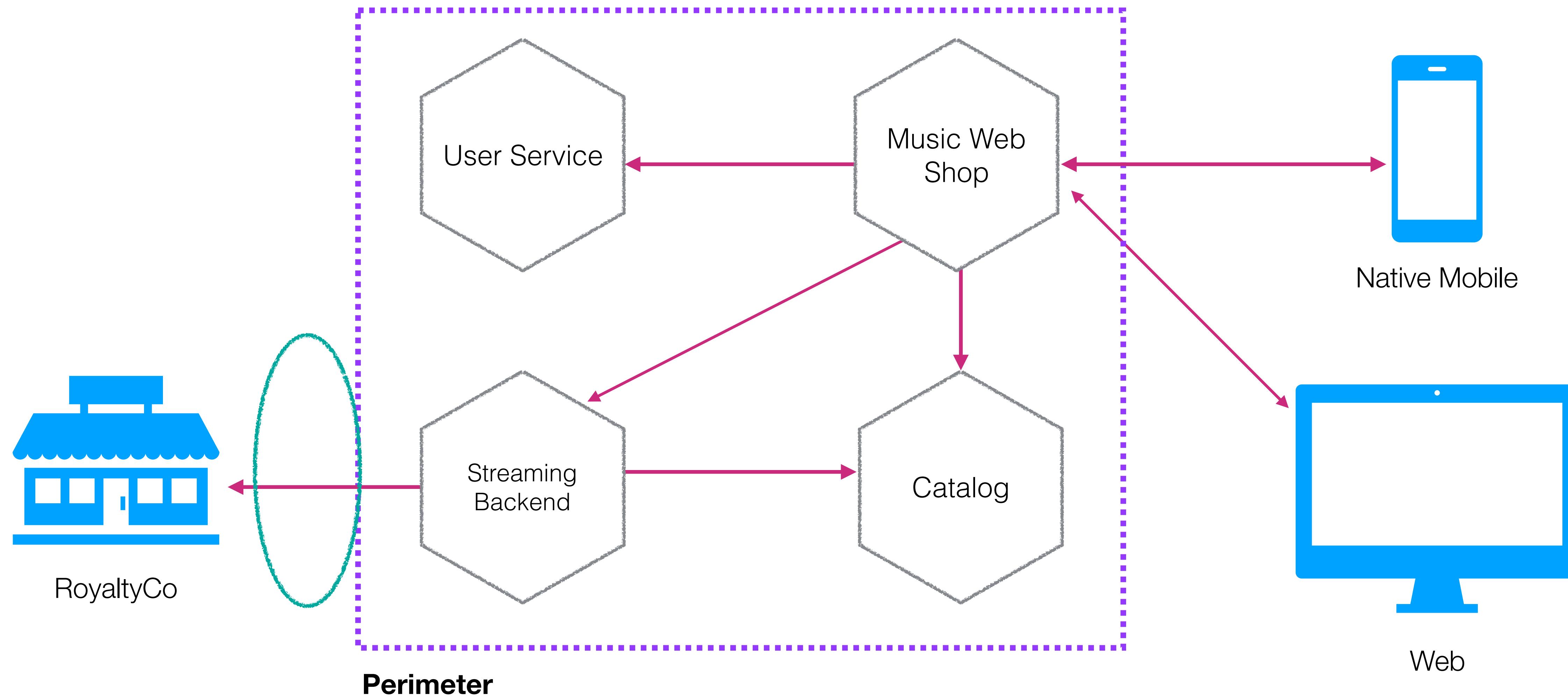
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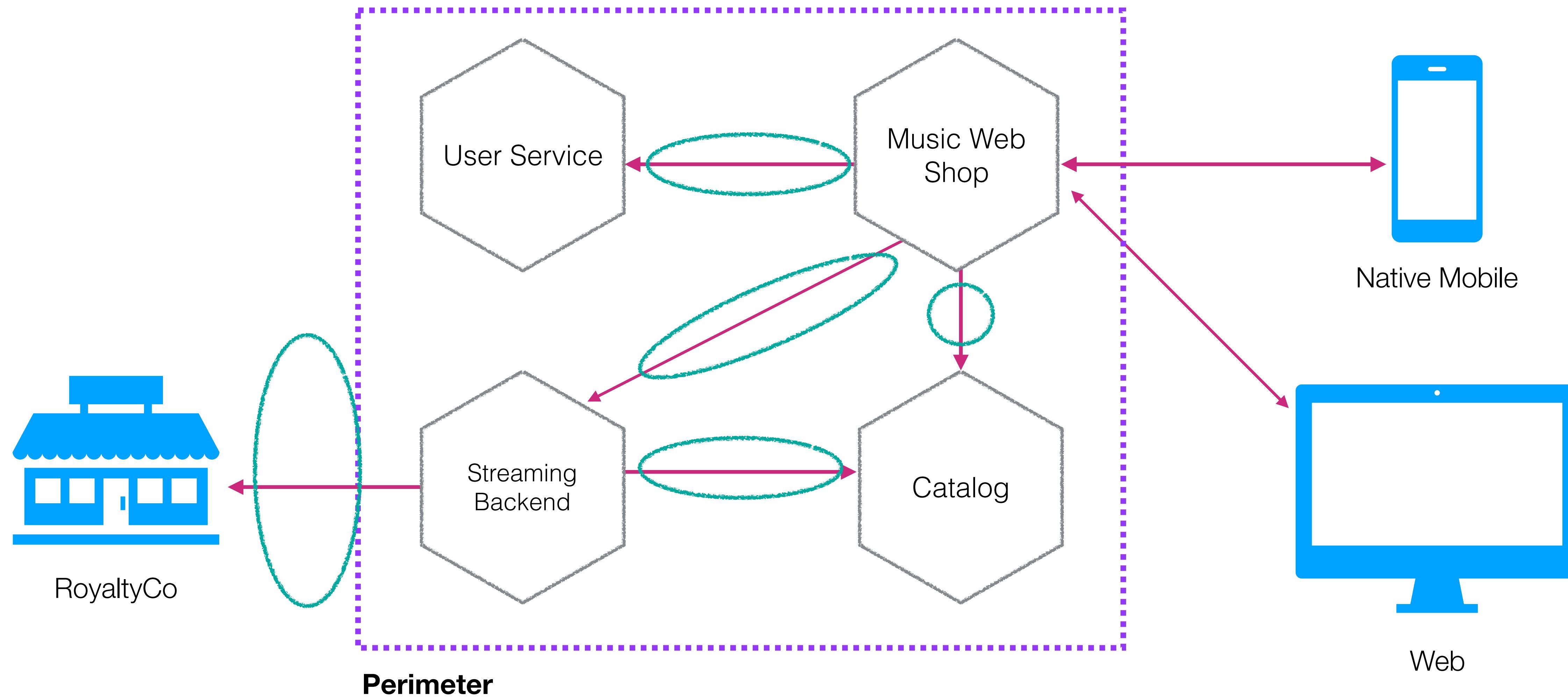
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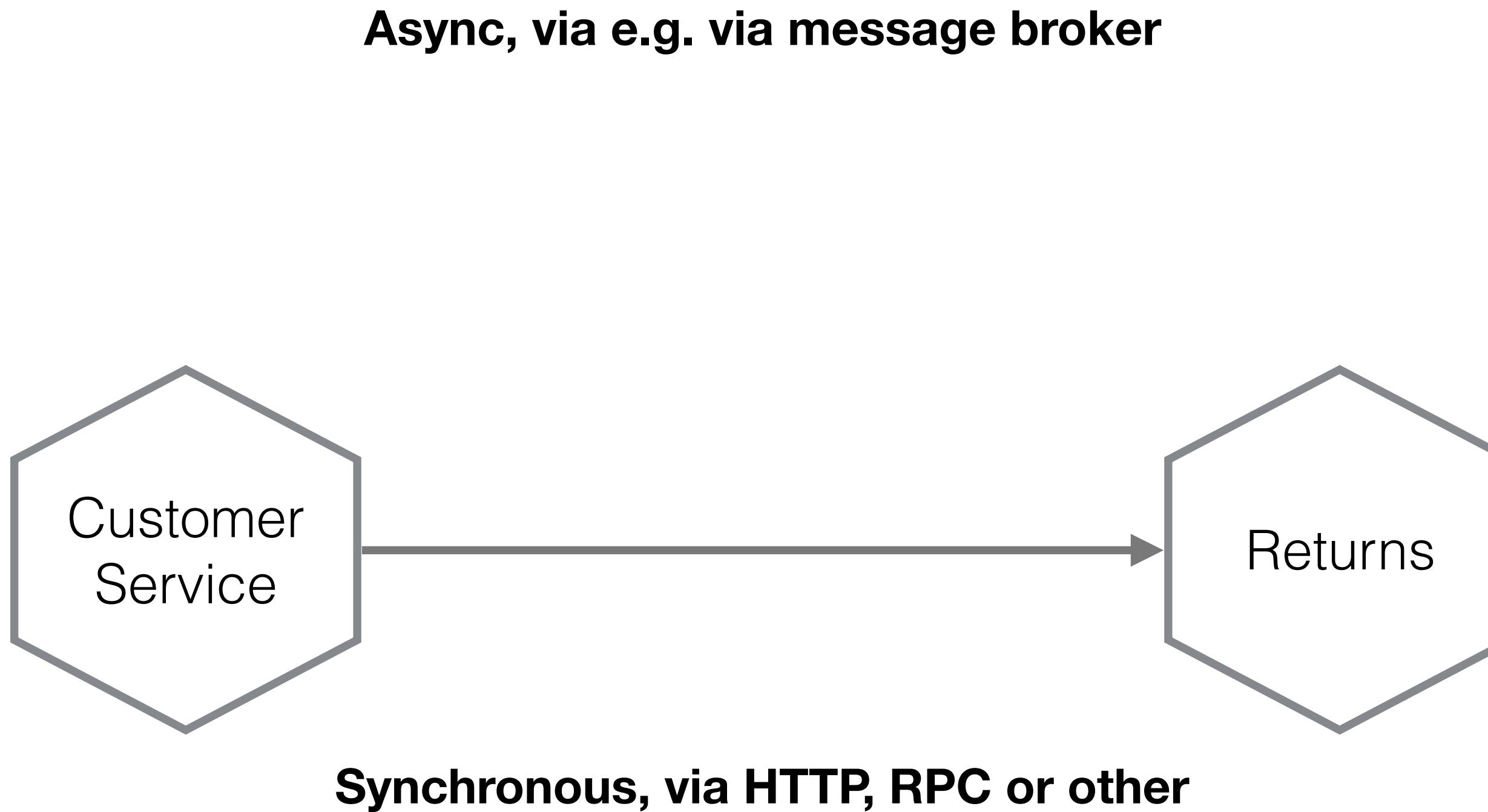
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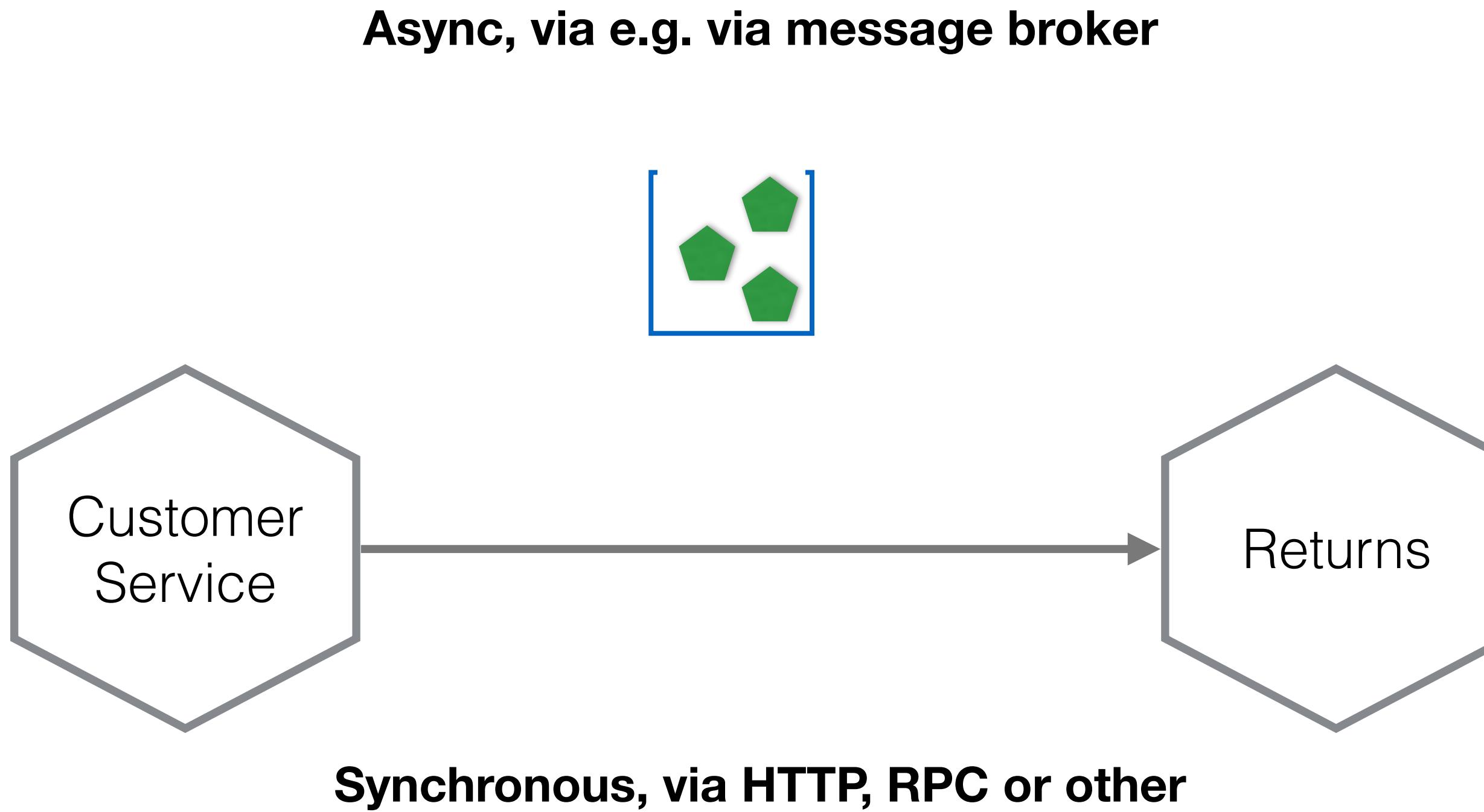
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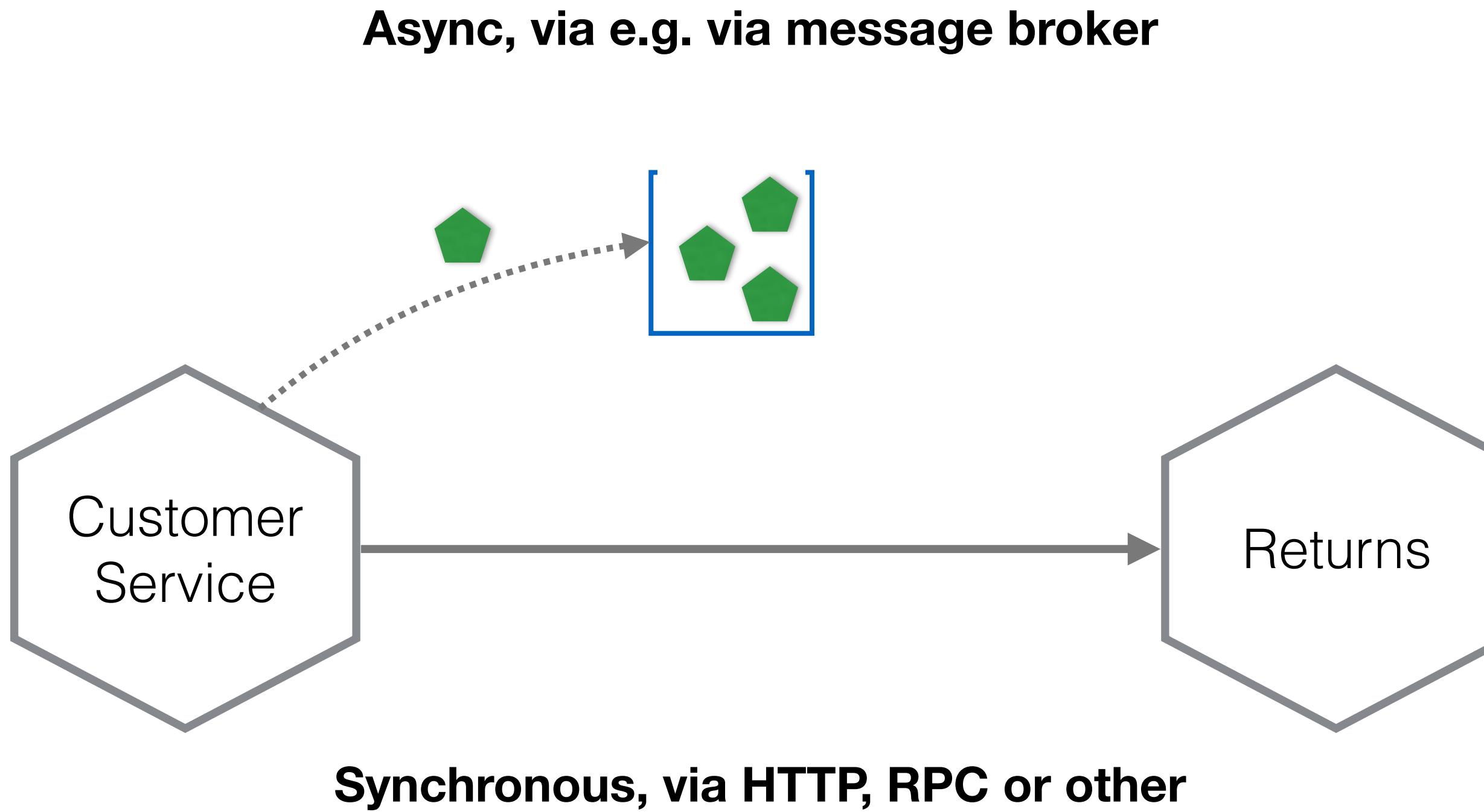
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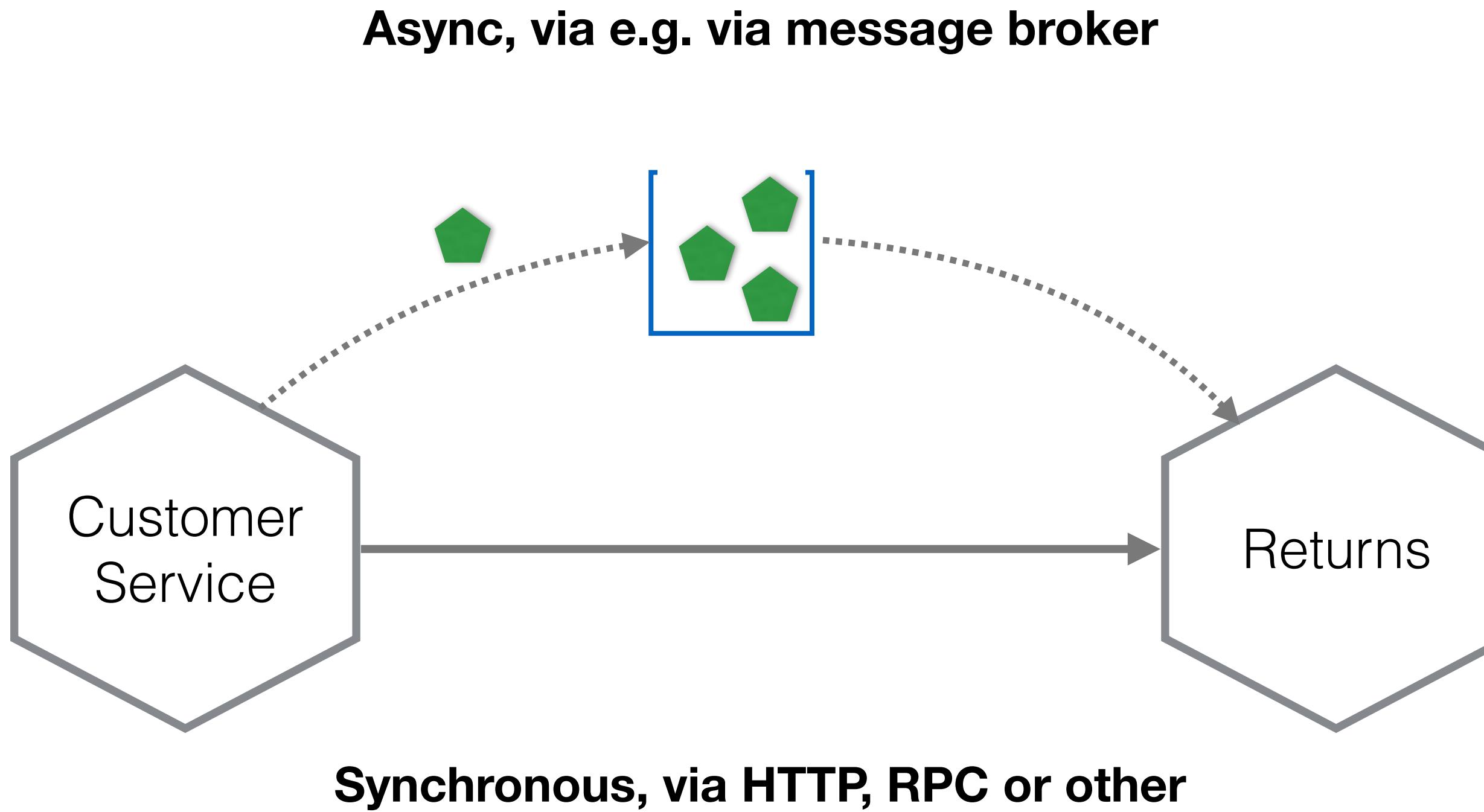
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and more. It is not, however, a primer on TLS, encryption, [Public Key Infrastructure](#) and related topics, so the concepts are covered very briefly. A number of beginner-oriented primers are available elsewhere on the Web: [one](#) [two](#), [three](#), [four](#).

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Access Control (Authentication, Authorisation) in RabbitMQ

This document describes authentication and authorisation machinery that implements access control. Authentication backends should not be confused with [authentication mechanisms](#) in AMQP 0-9-1.

A separate guide covers multiple topics around [passwords](#). It is only applicable to the internal authentication backend.

Terminology and Definitions

Authentication and authorisation are often confused or used interchangeably. That's wrong and in RabbitMQ, the two are separated. For the sake of simplicity, we'll define authentication as "identifying who the user is" and authorisation as "determining what the user is and isn't allowed to do."

Default Virtual Host and User

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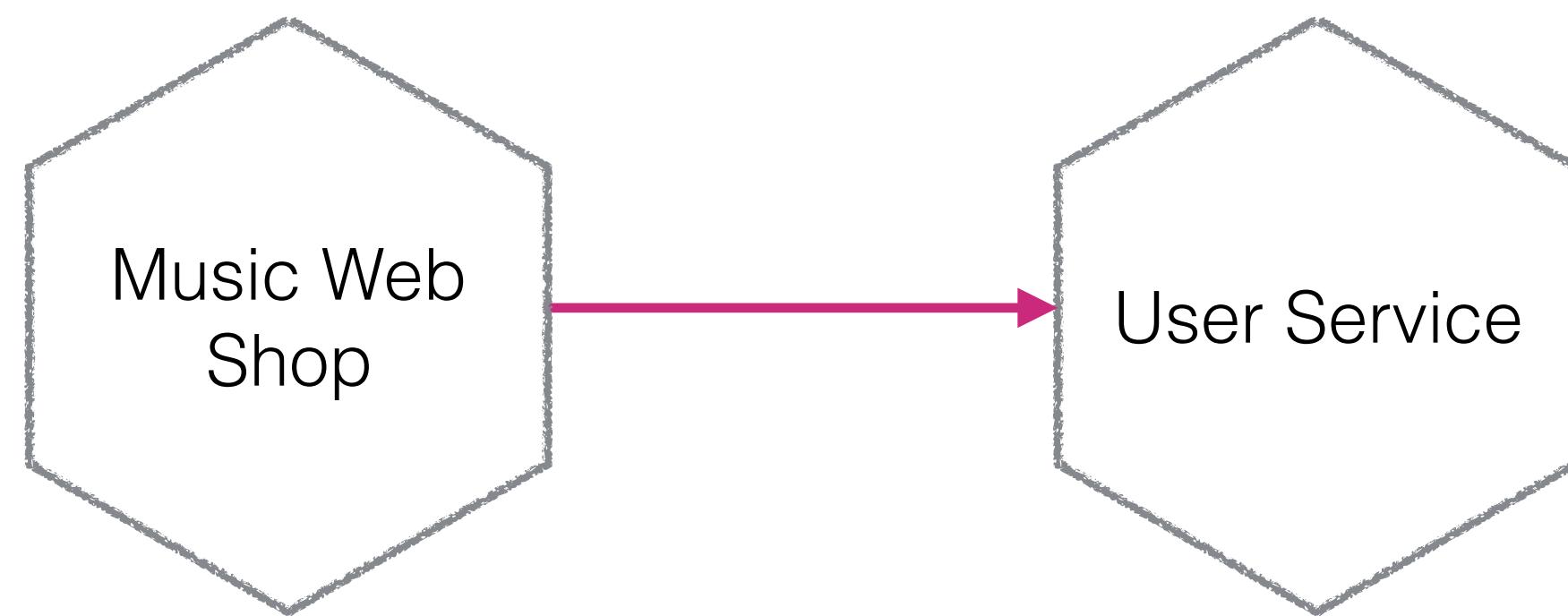
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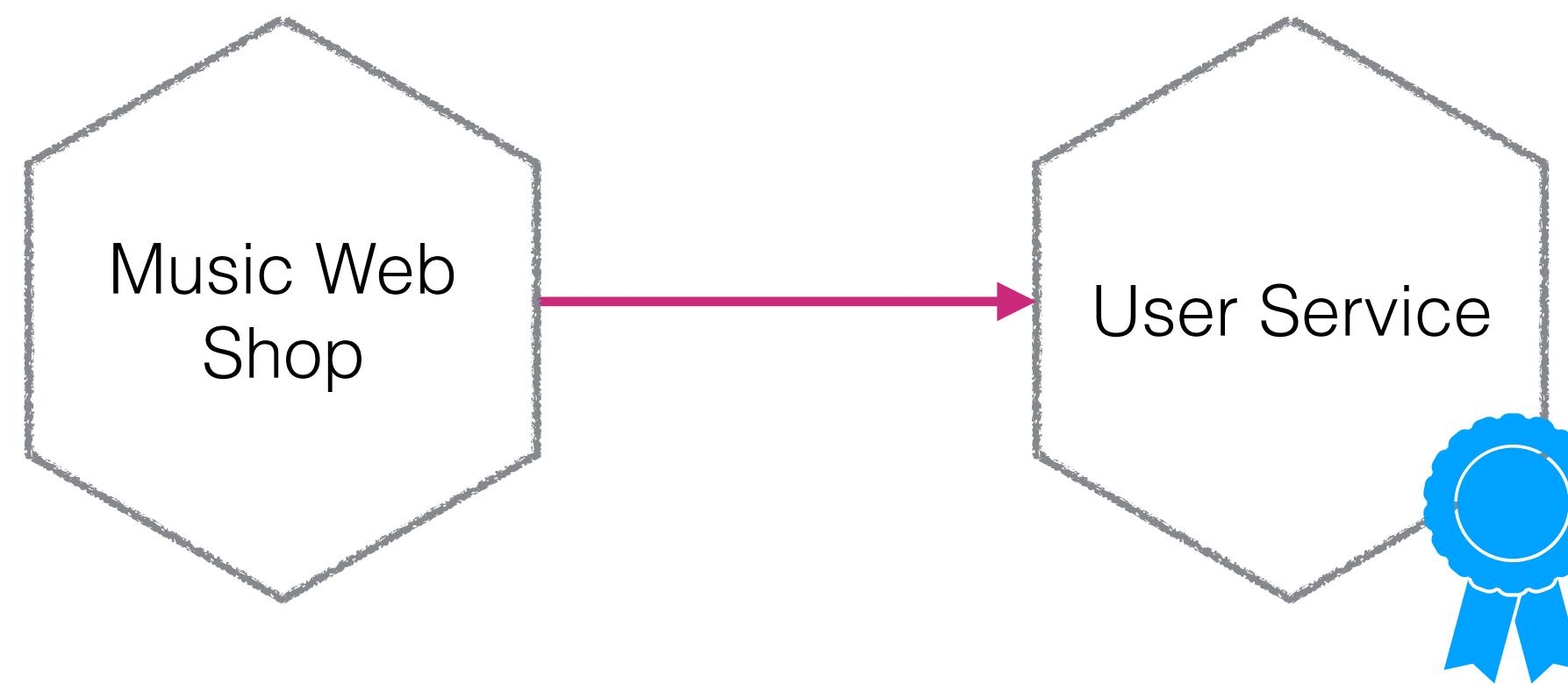
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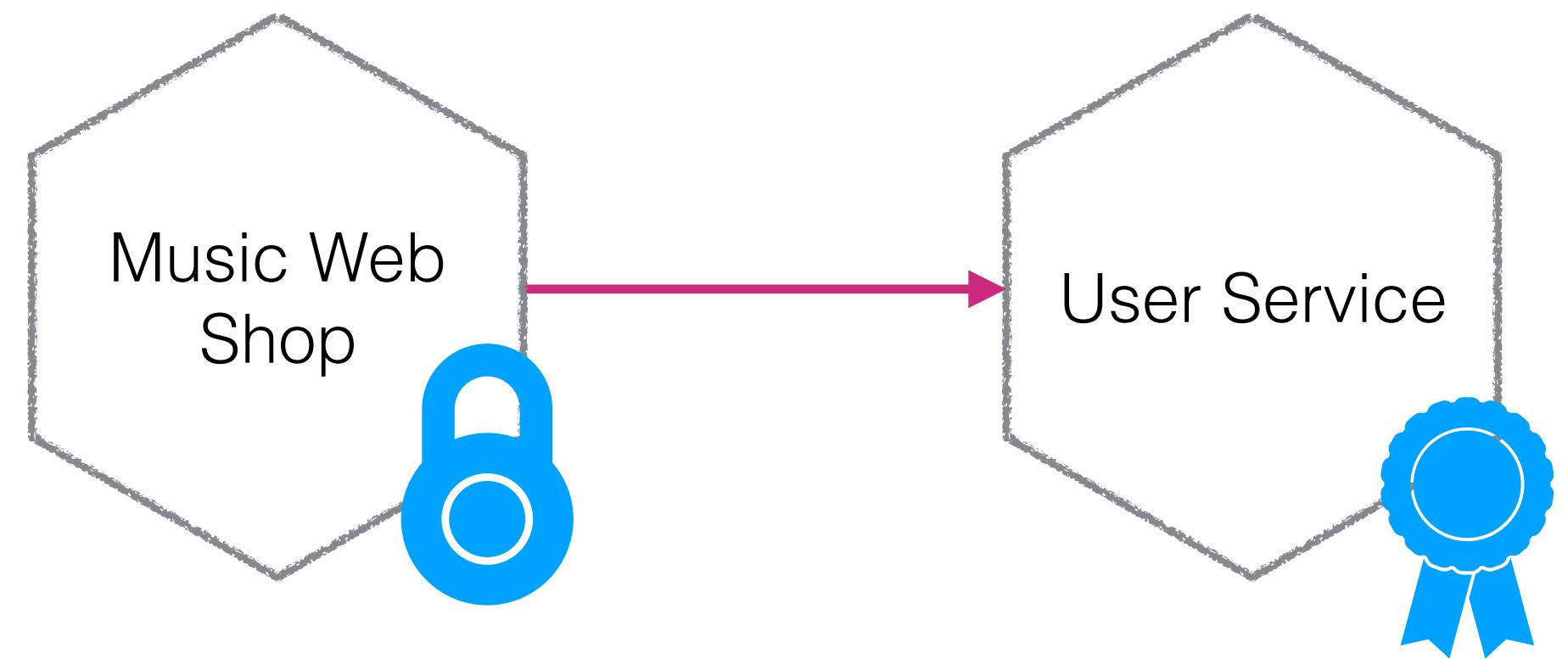
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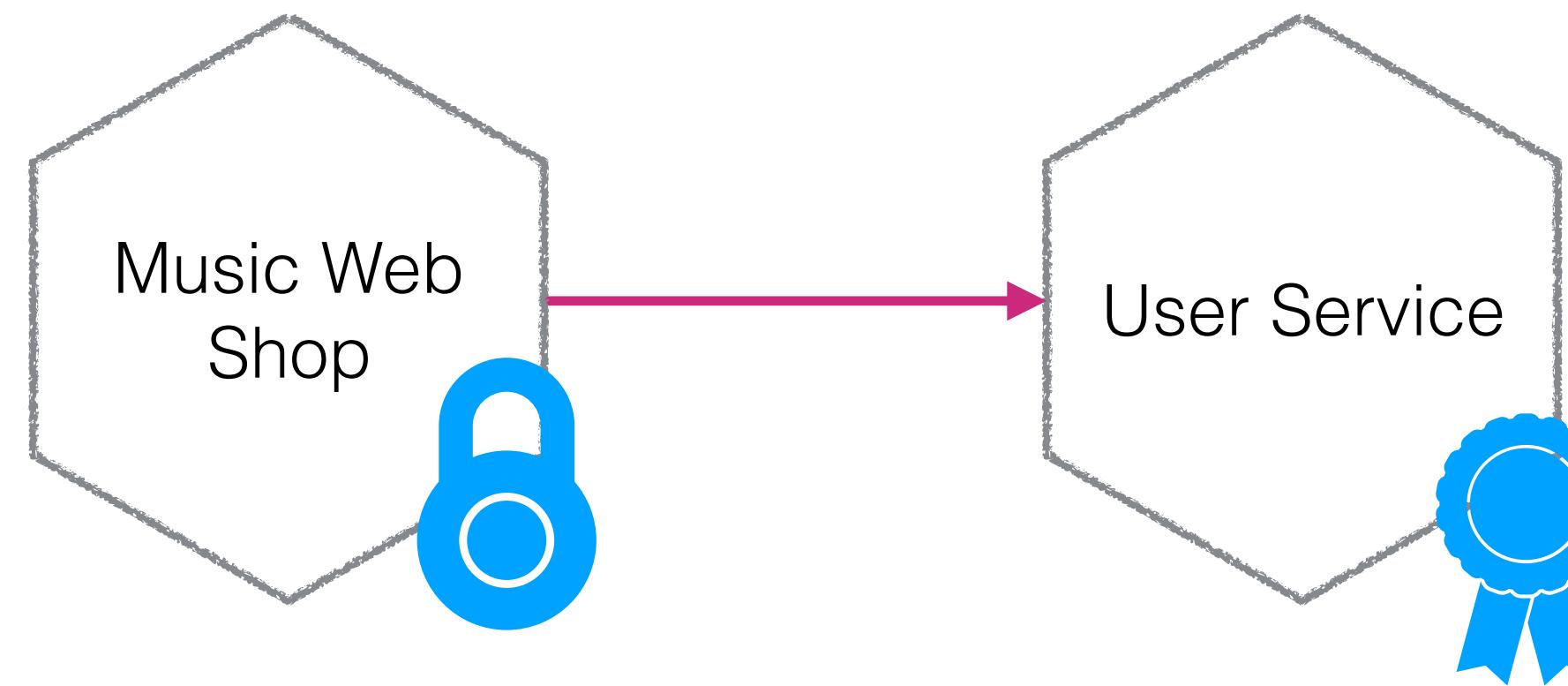
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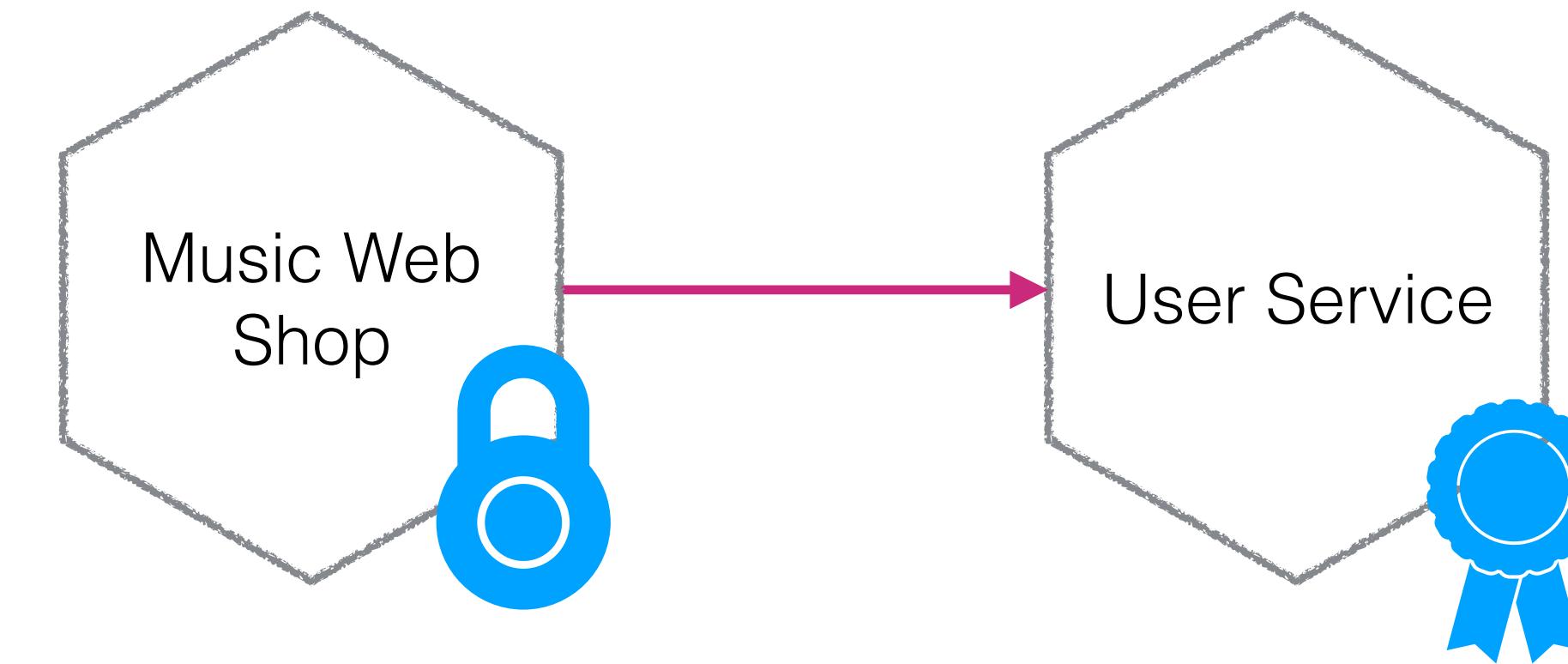


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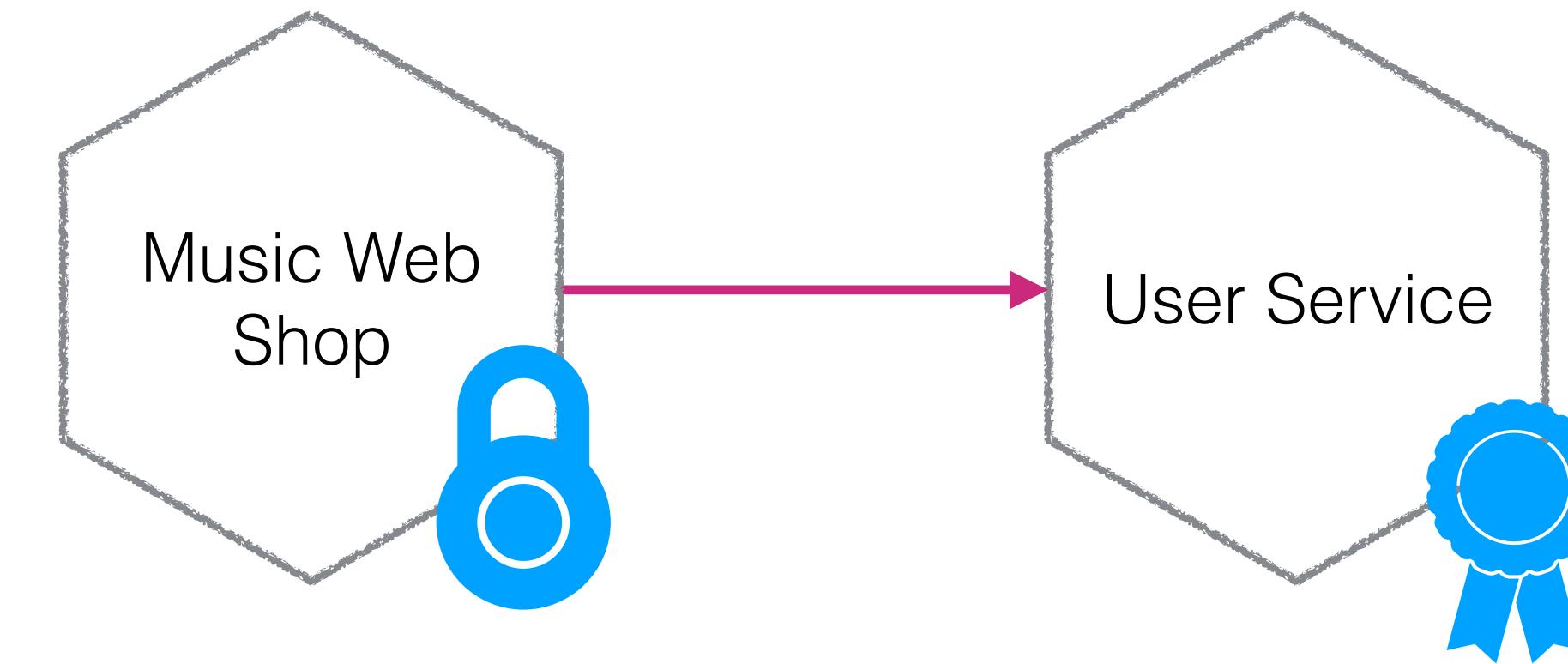
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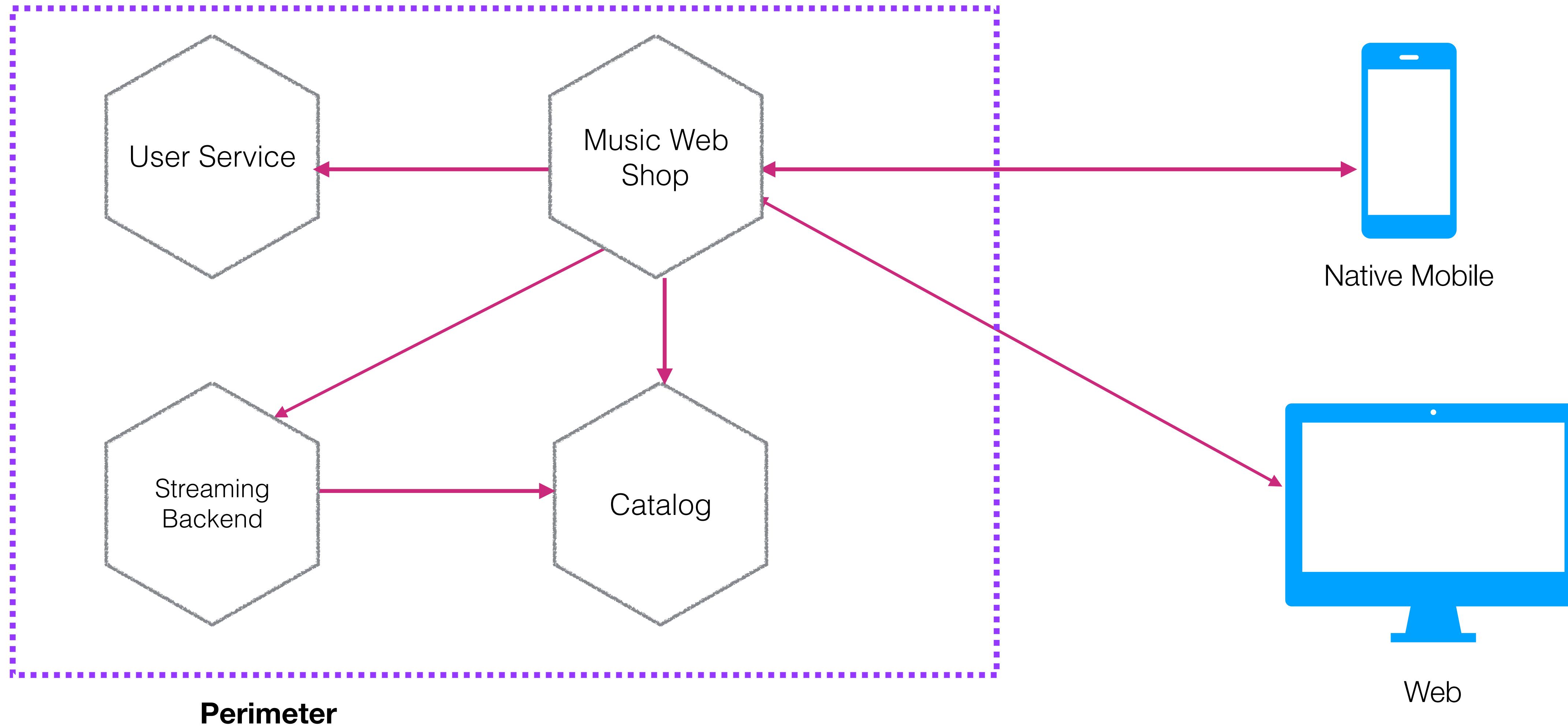
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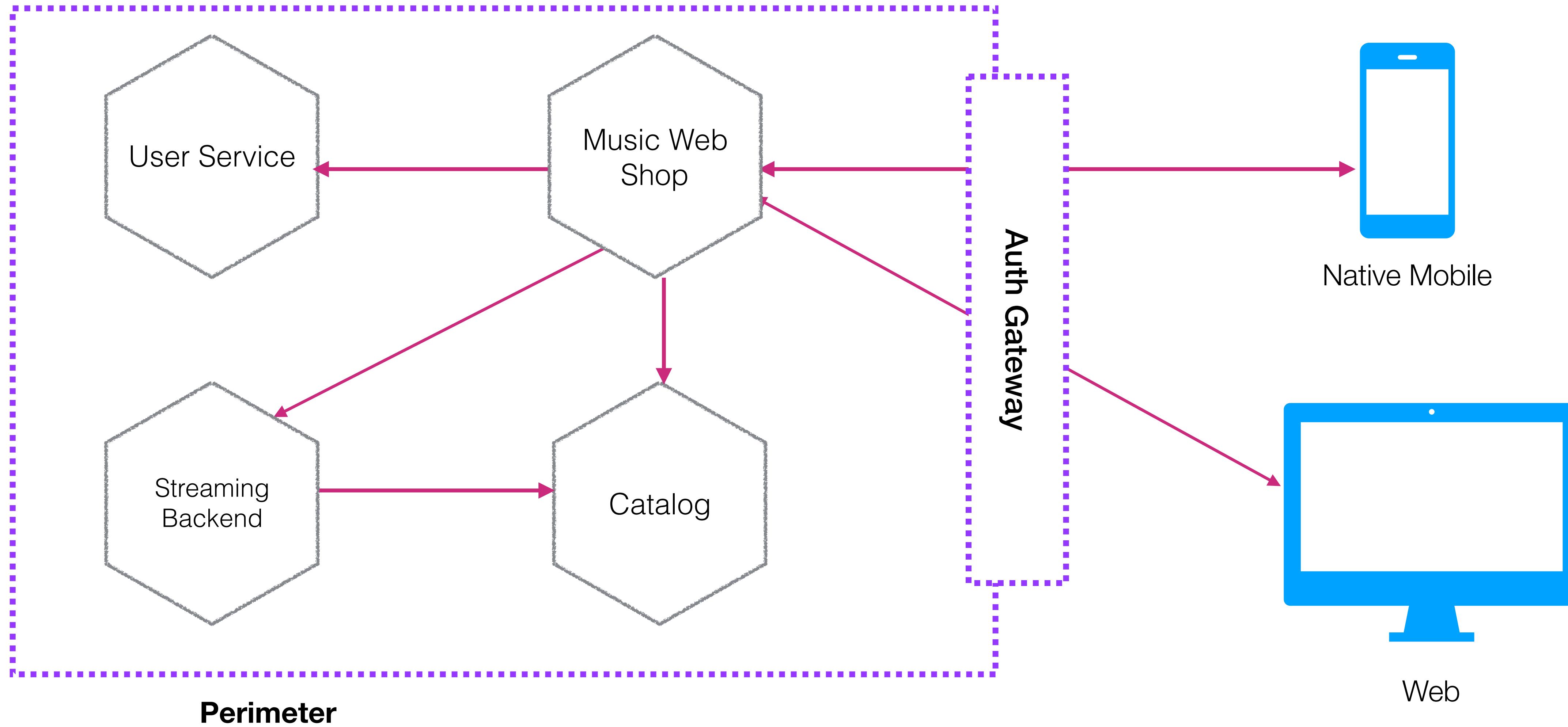
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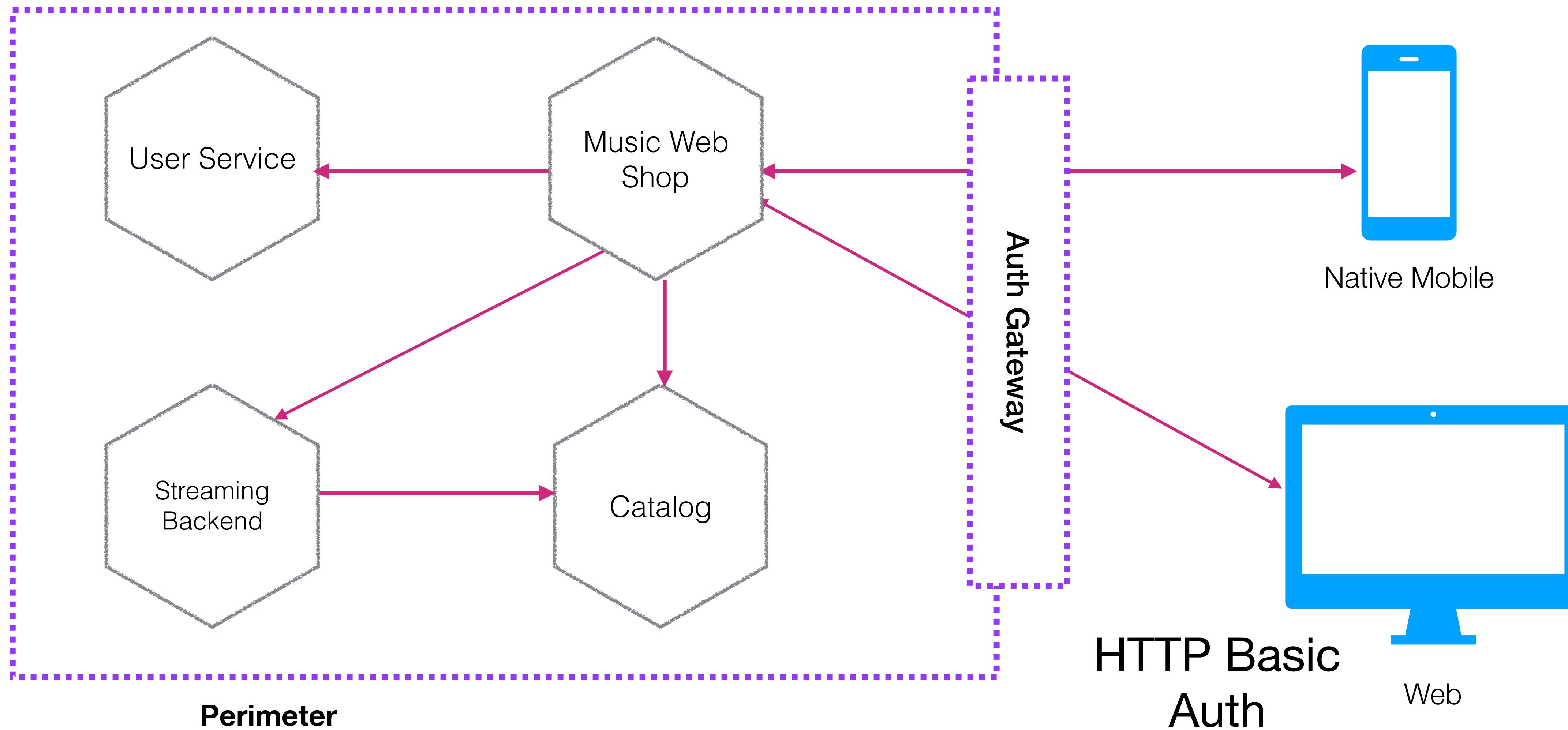
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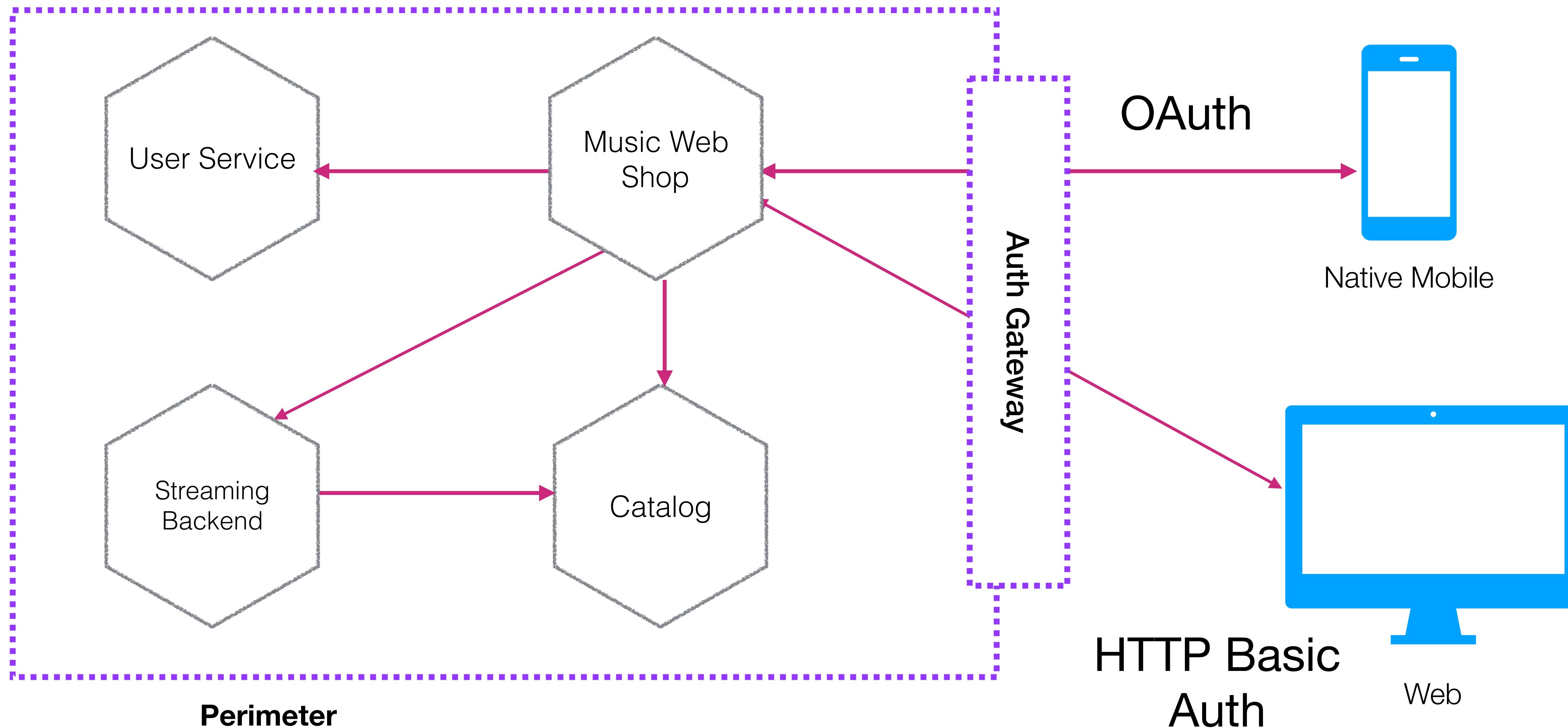
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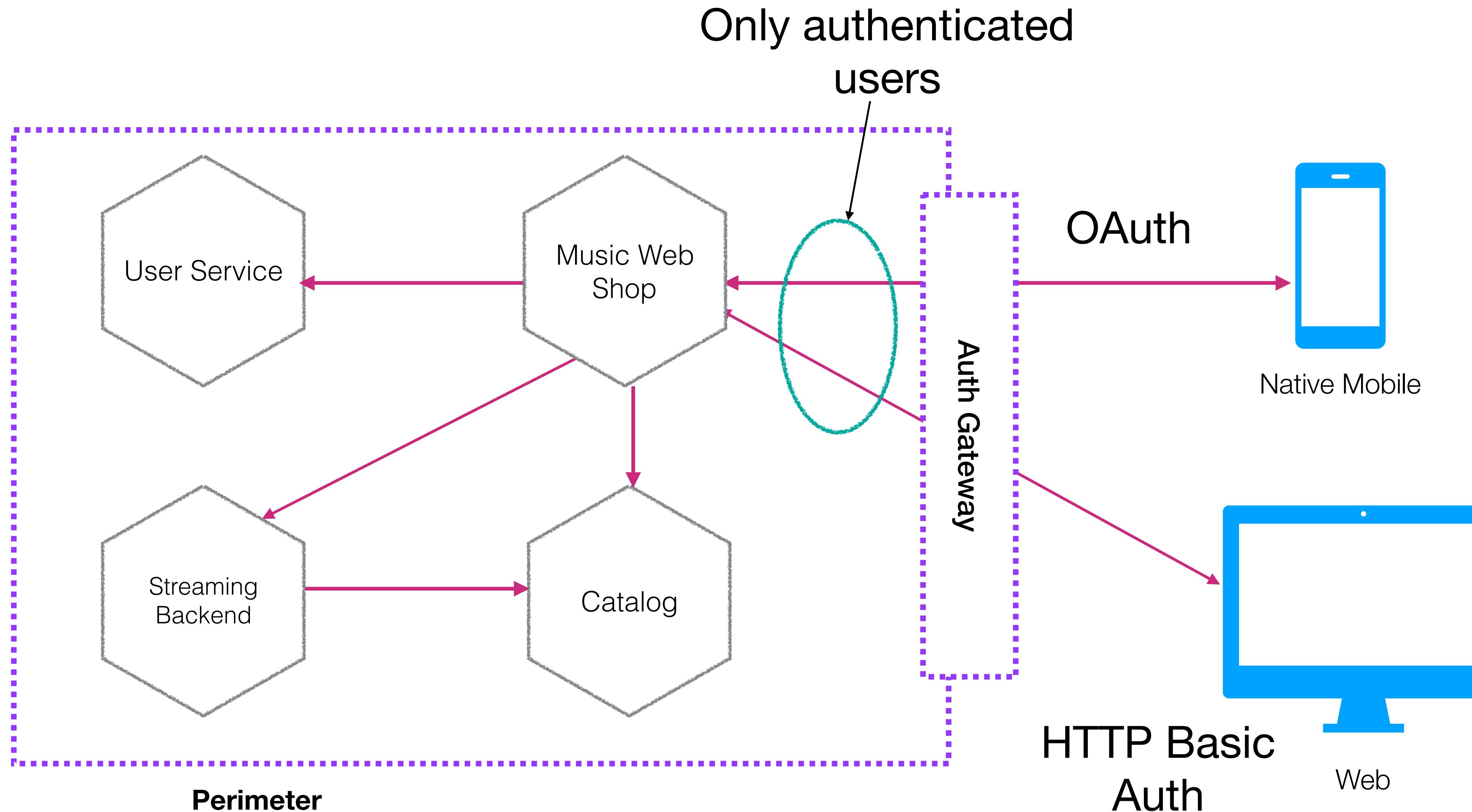
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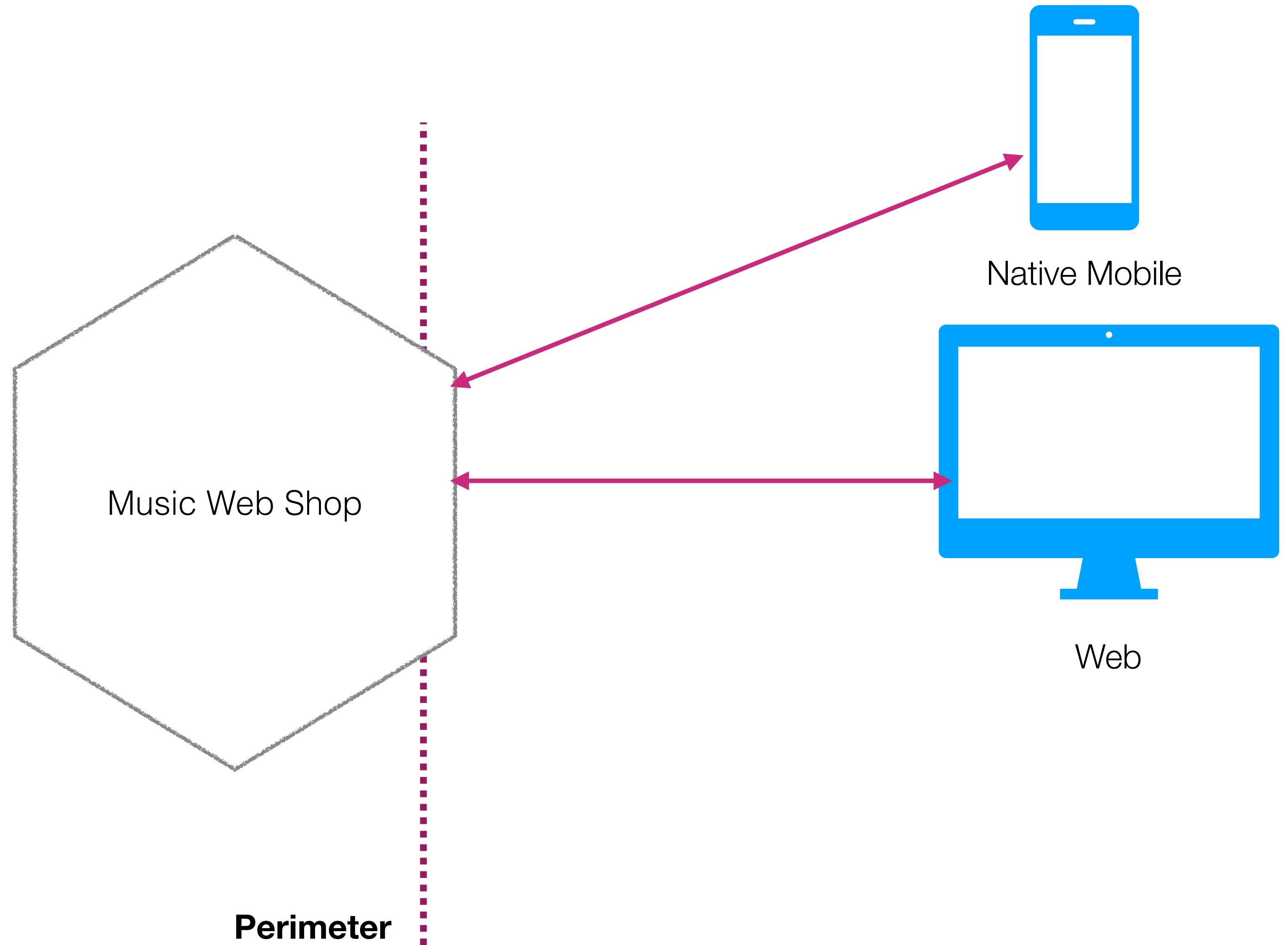
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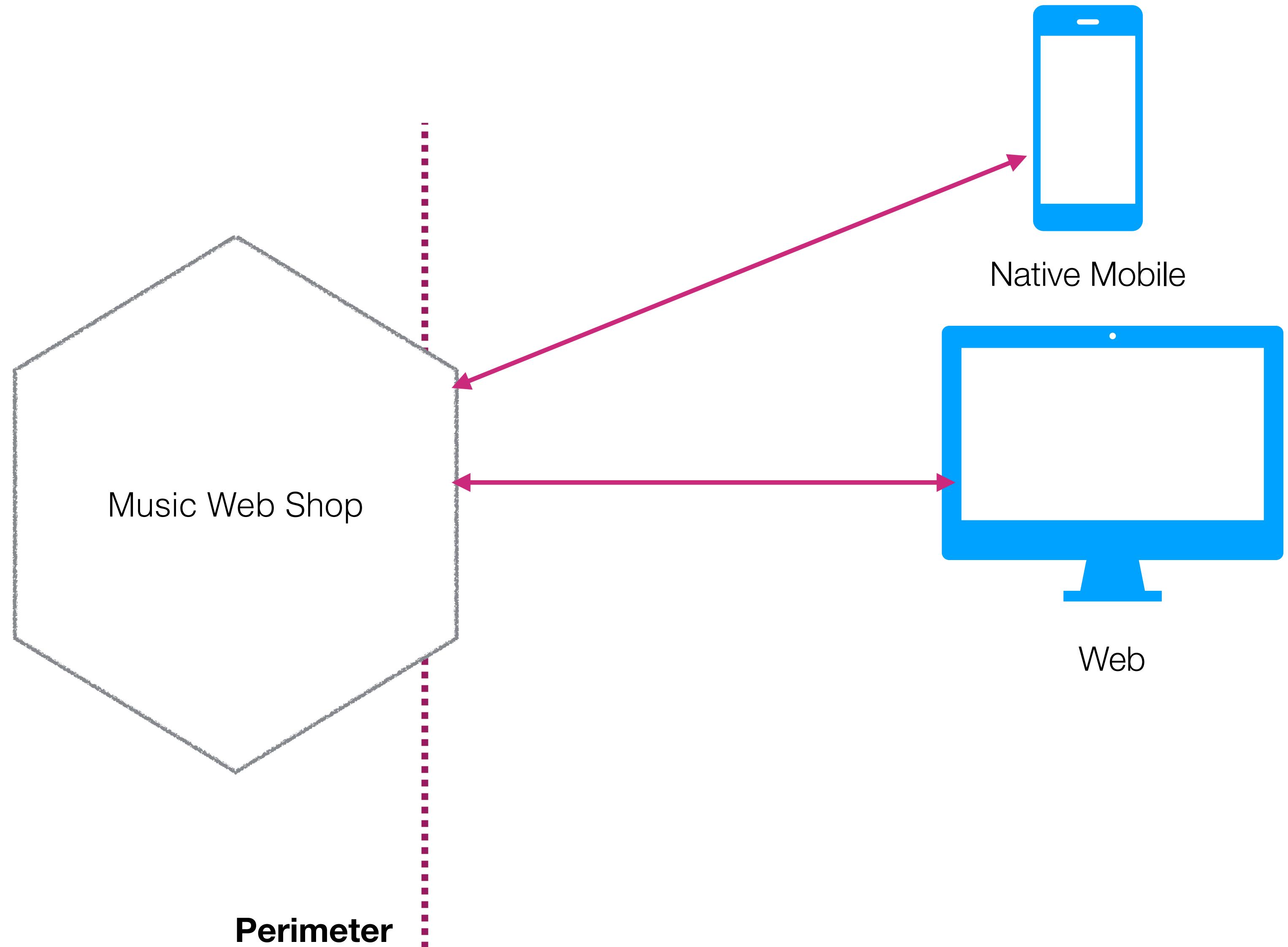


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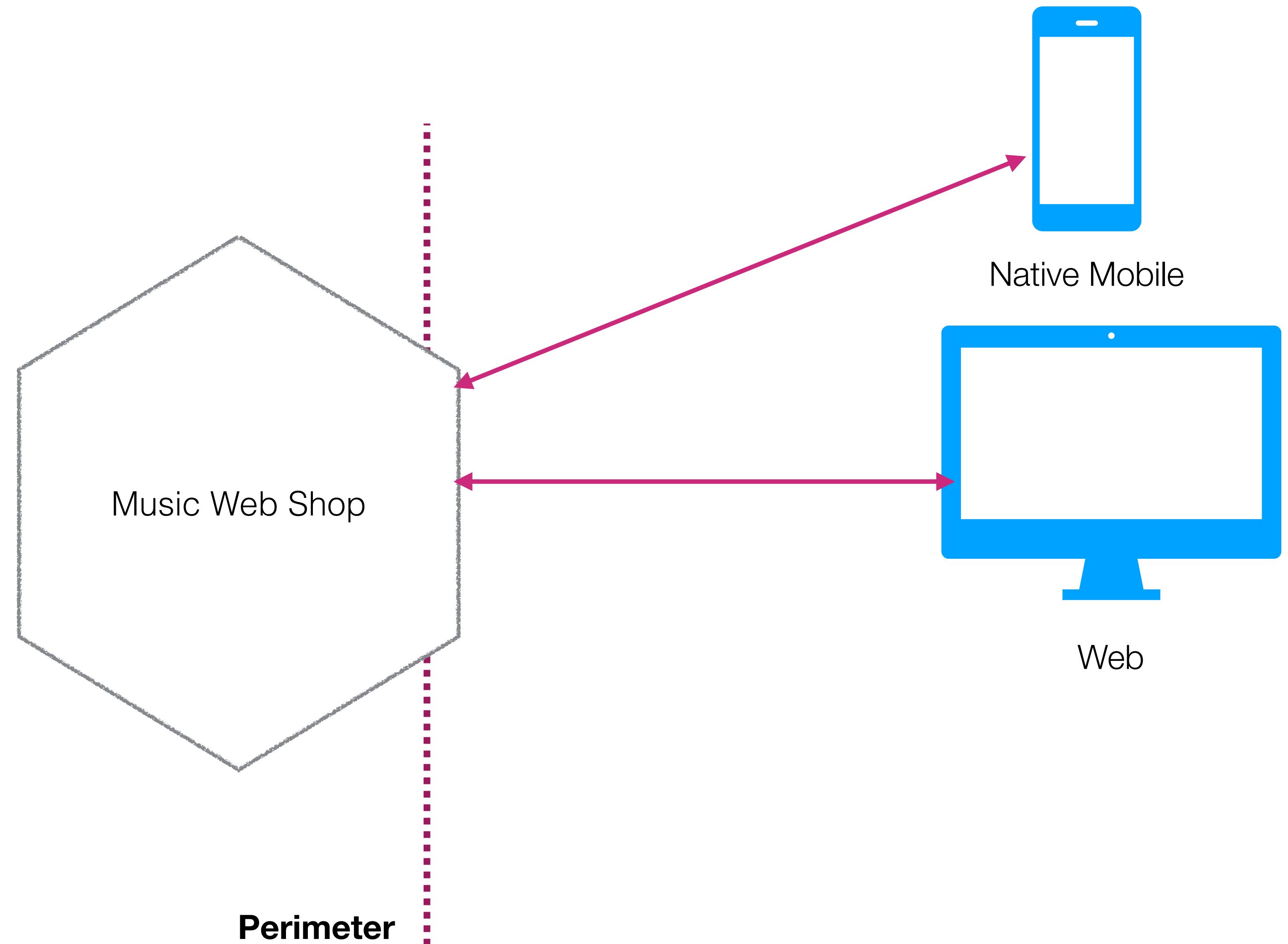
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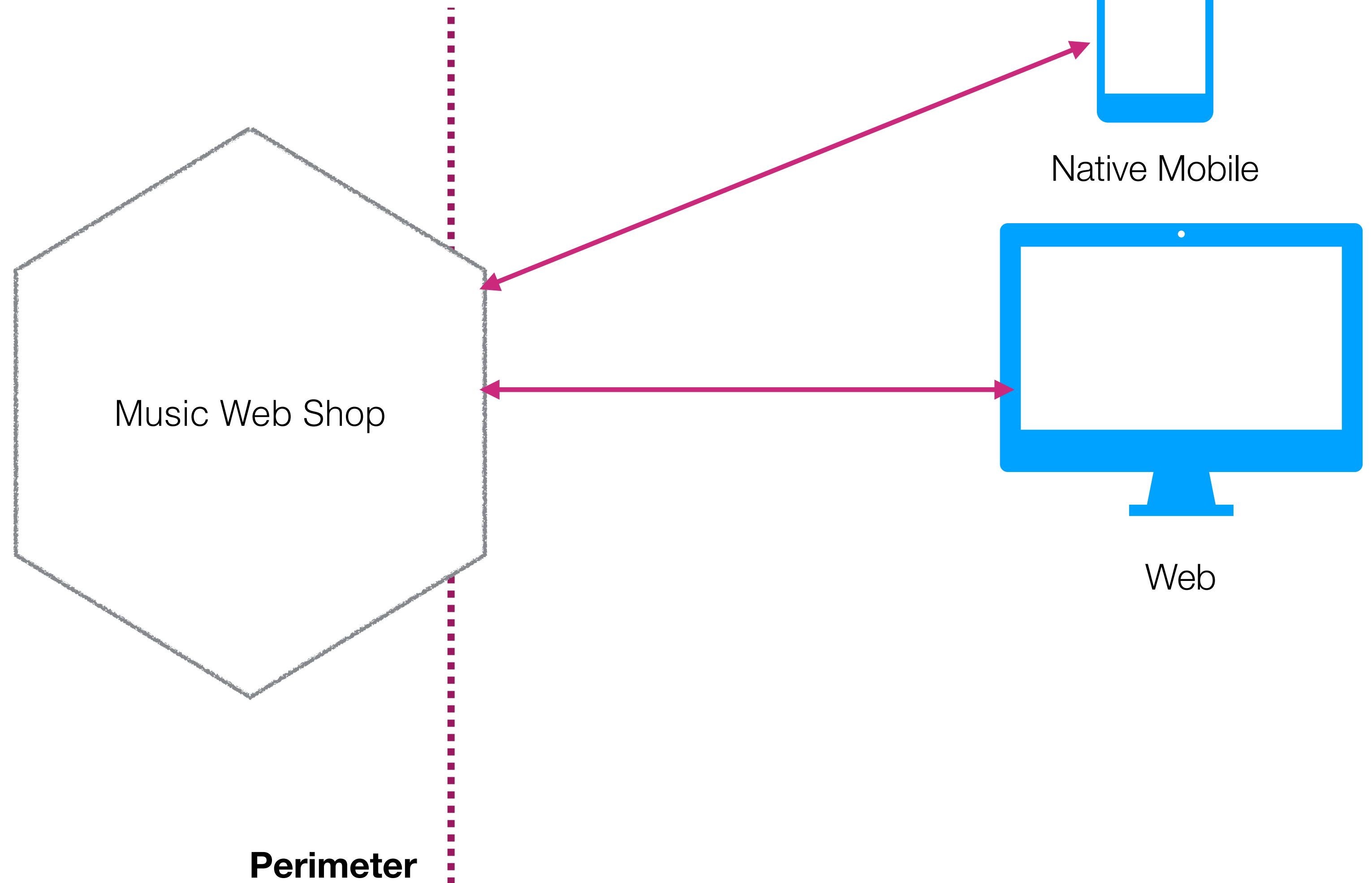


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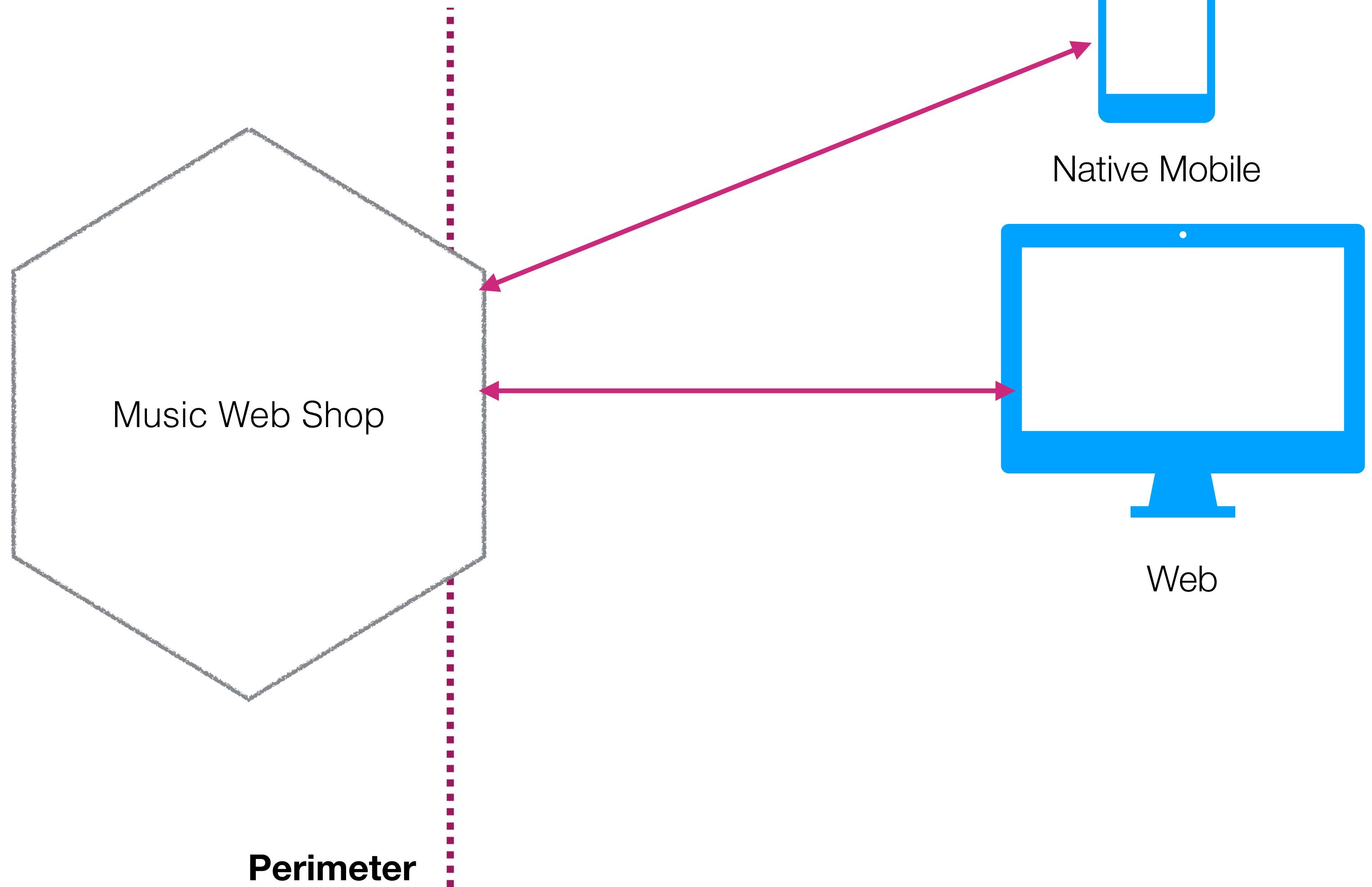
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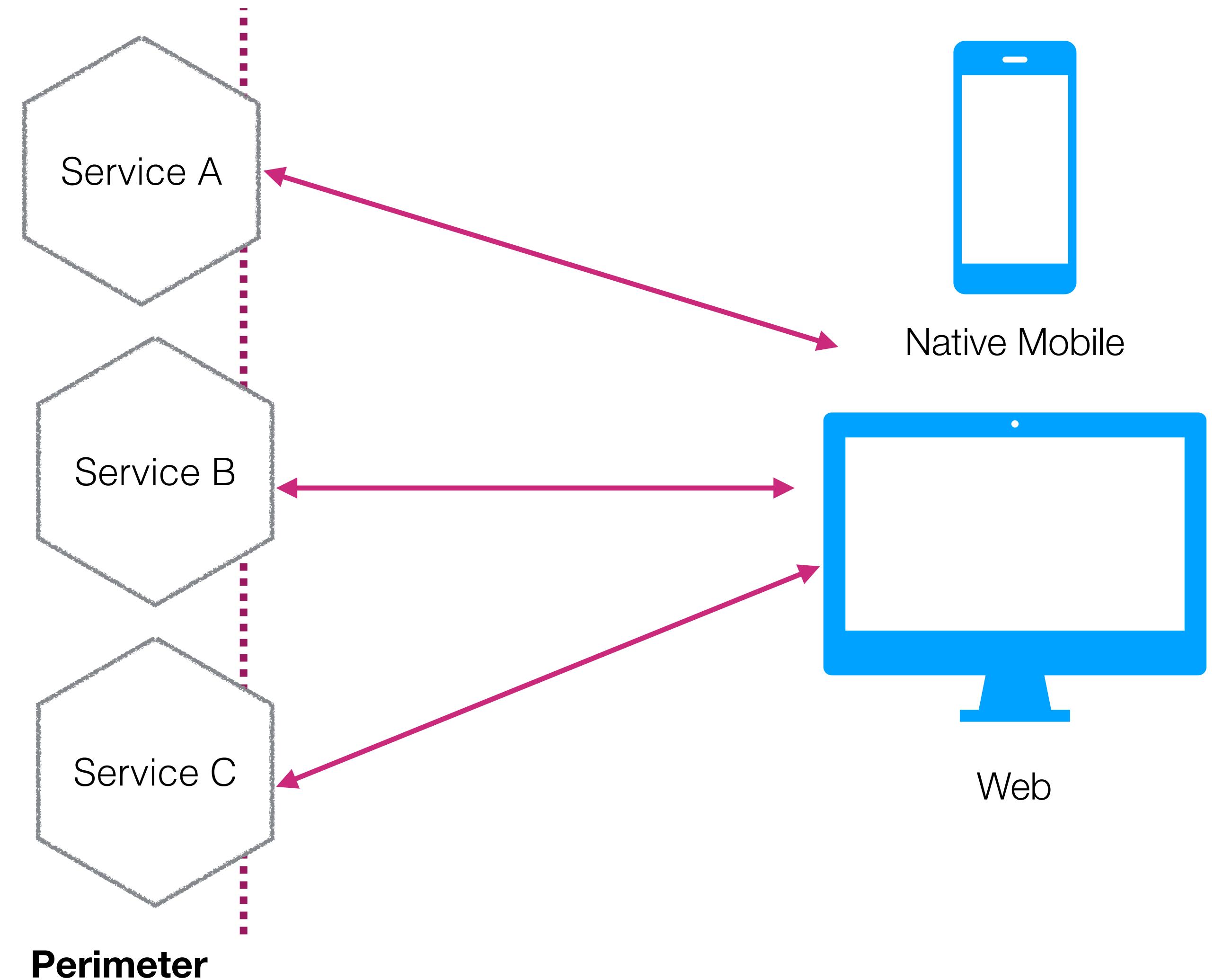
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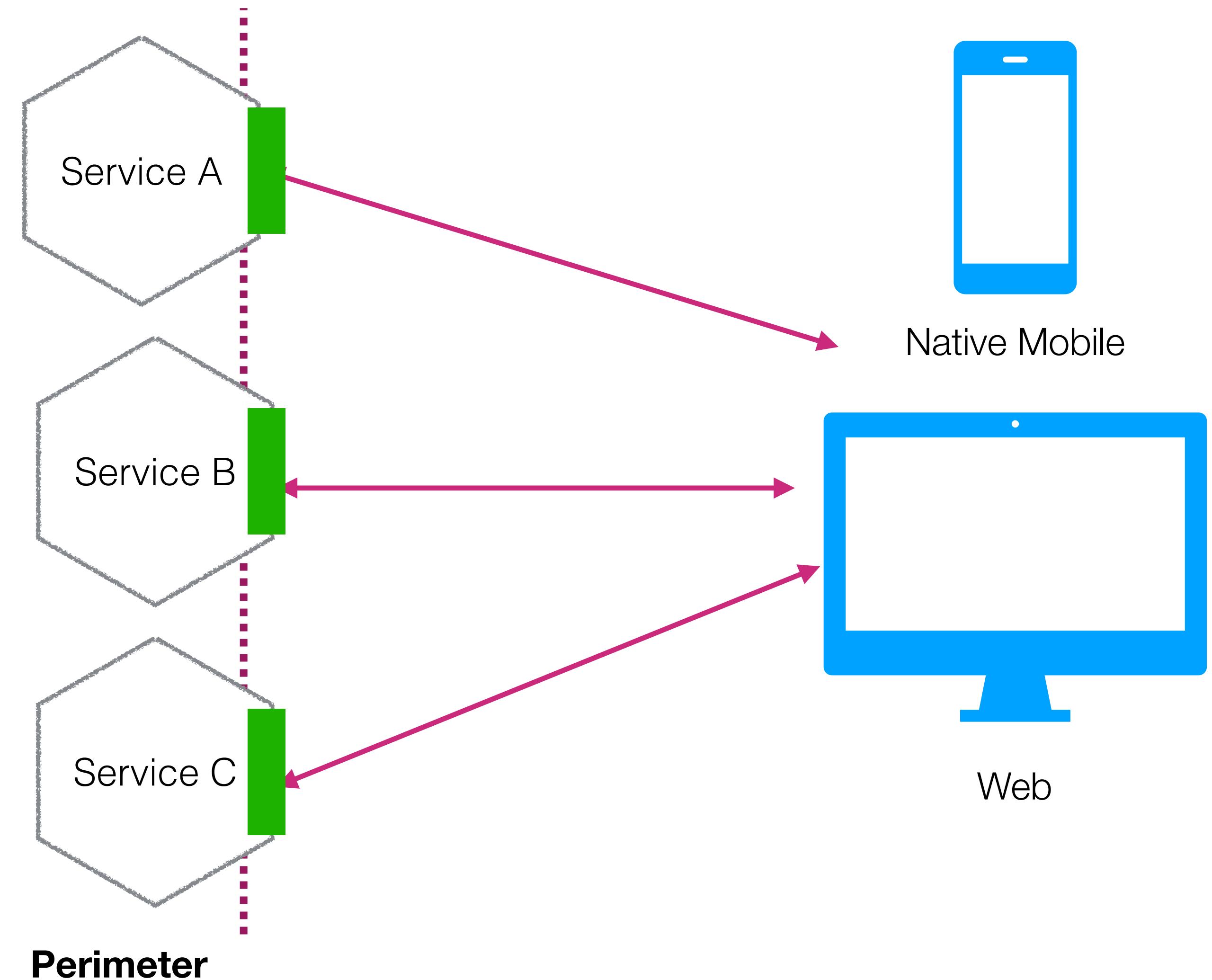
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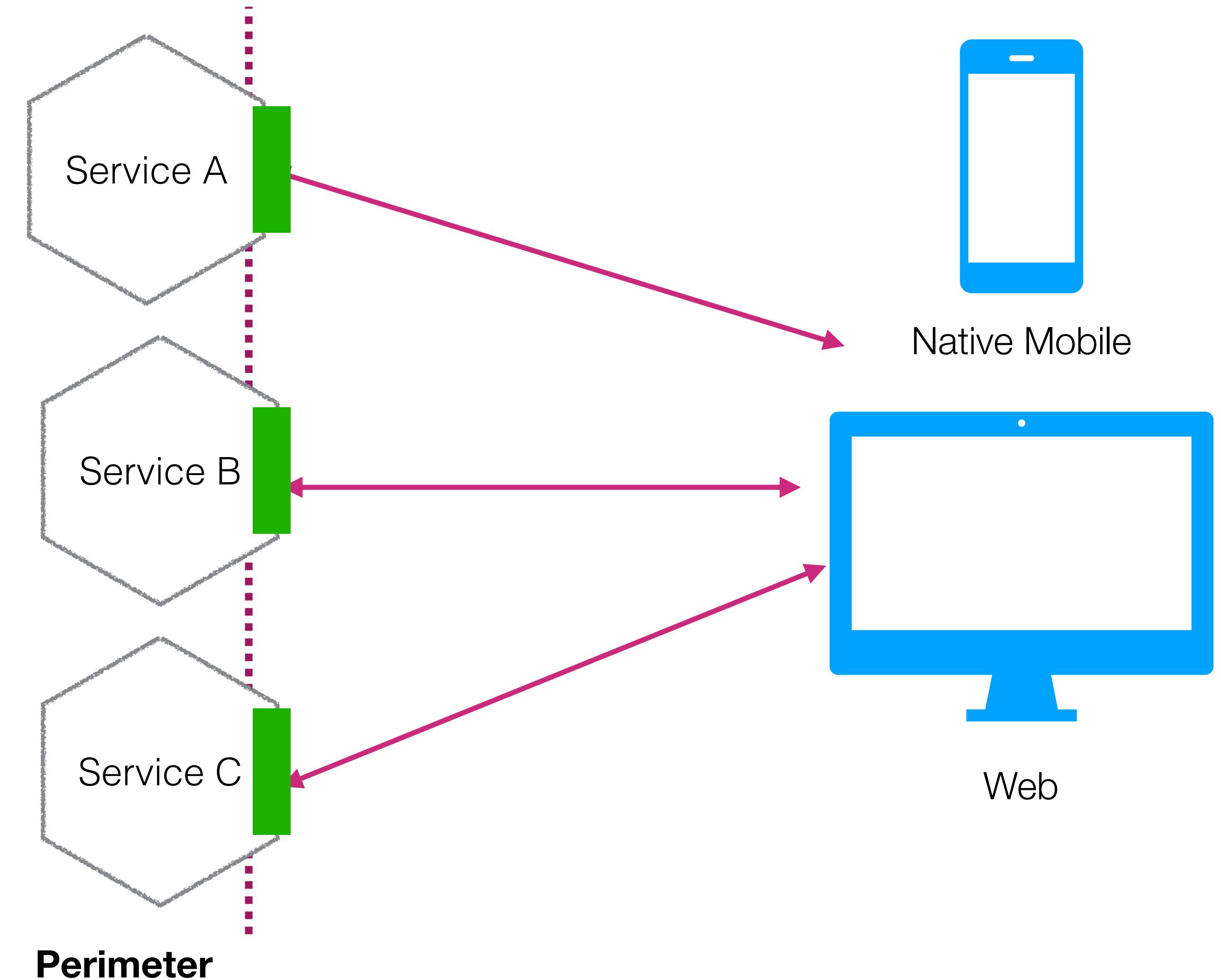
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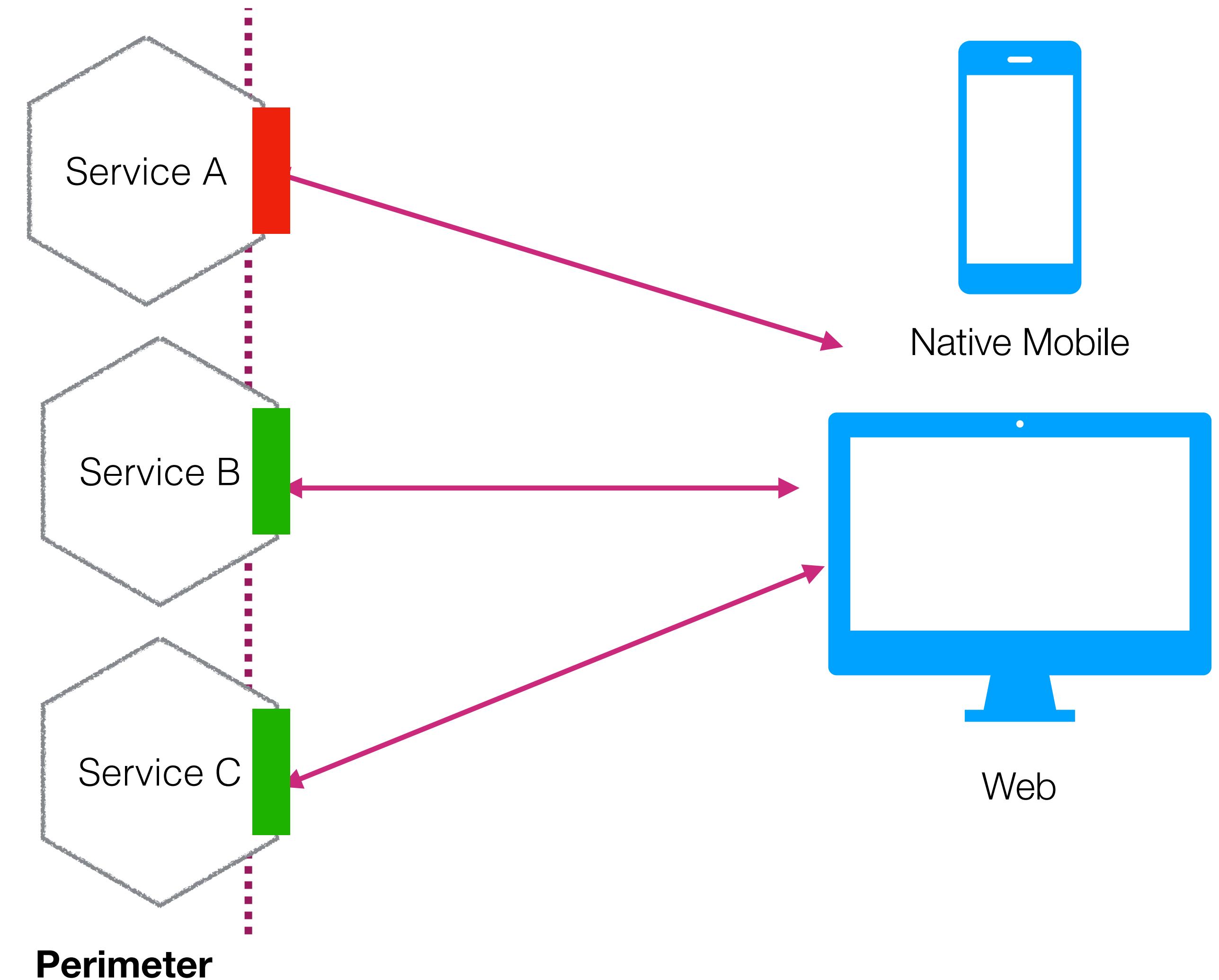
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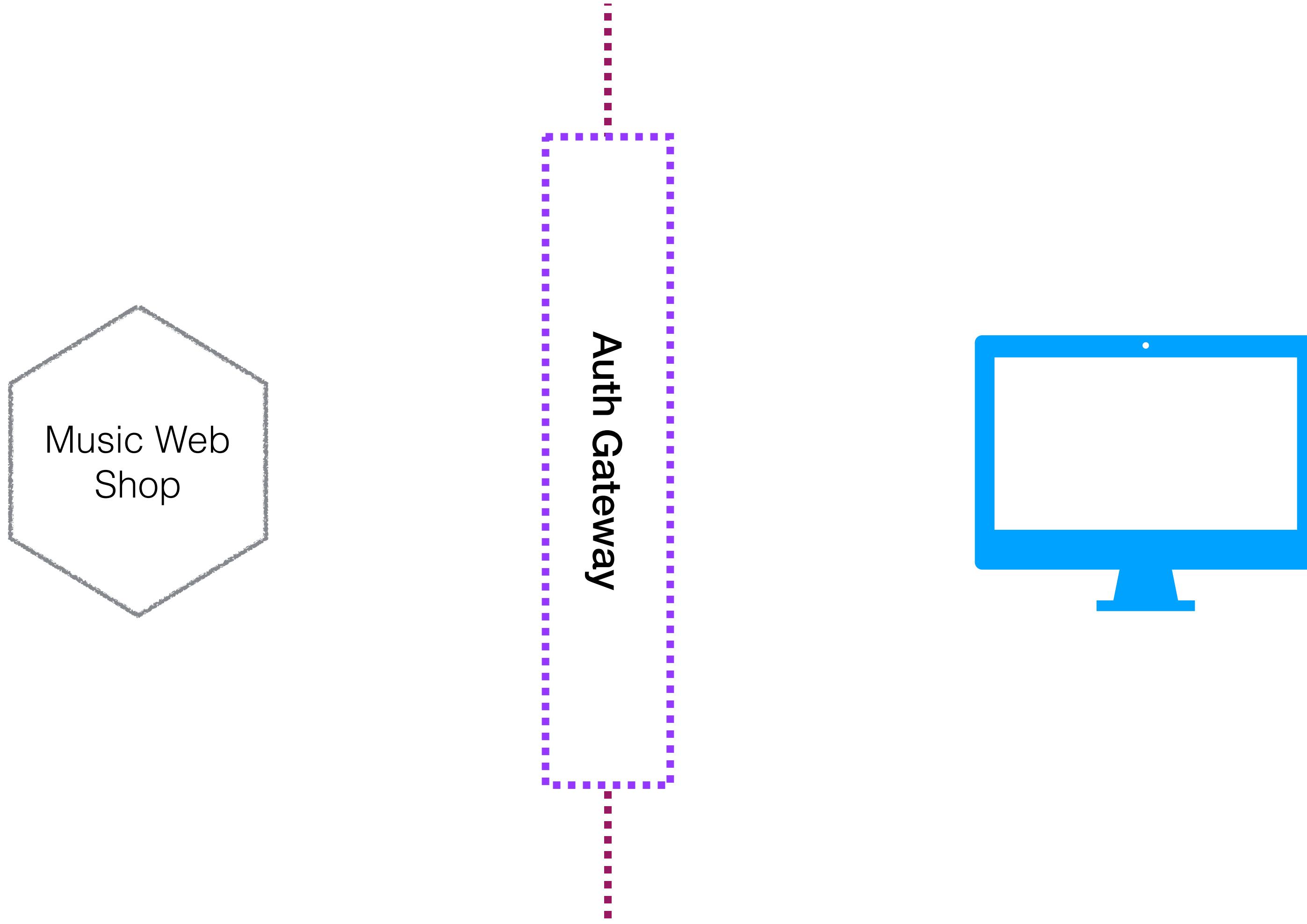
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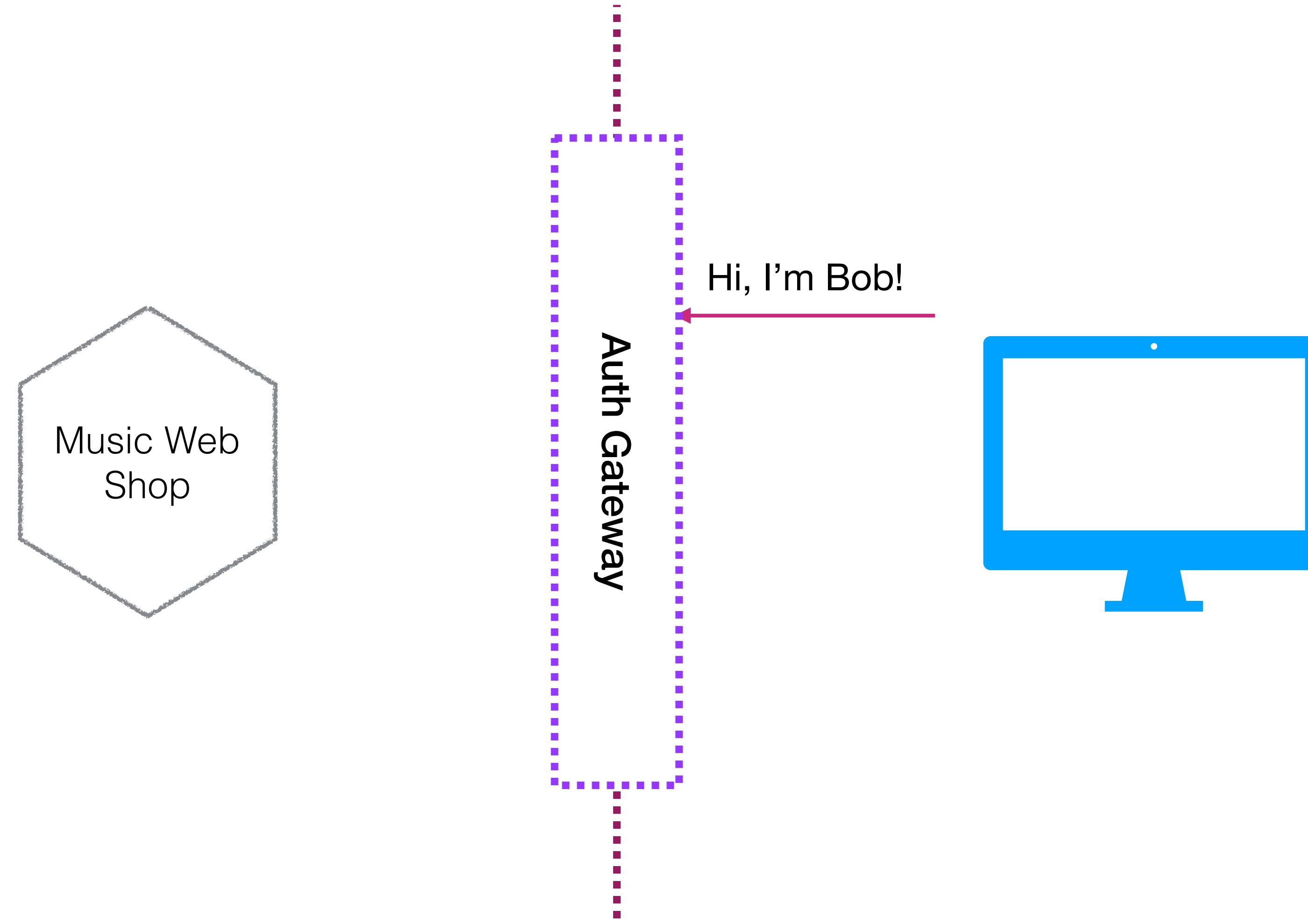


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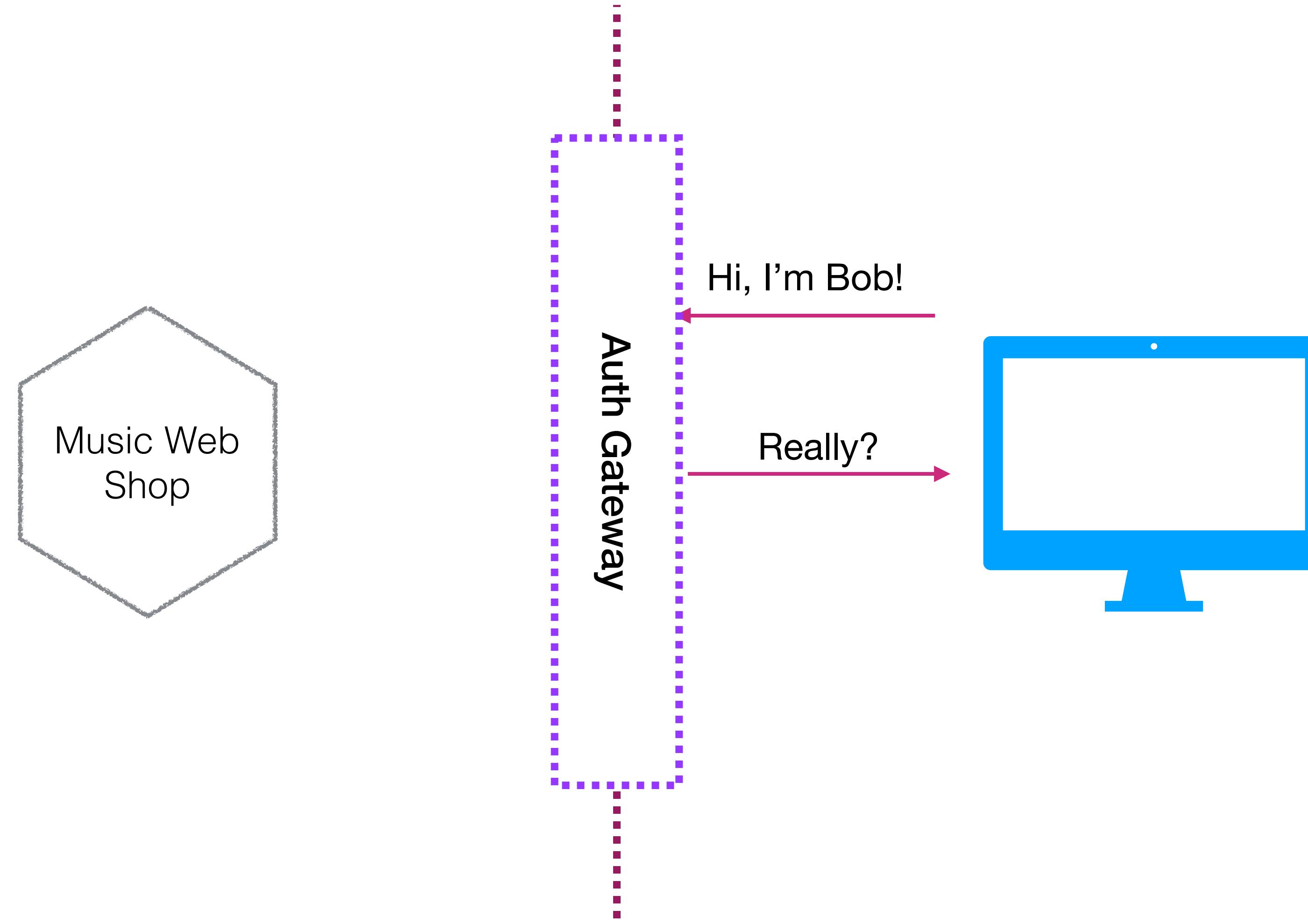
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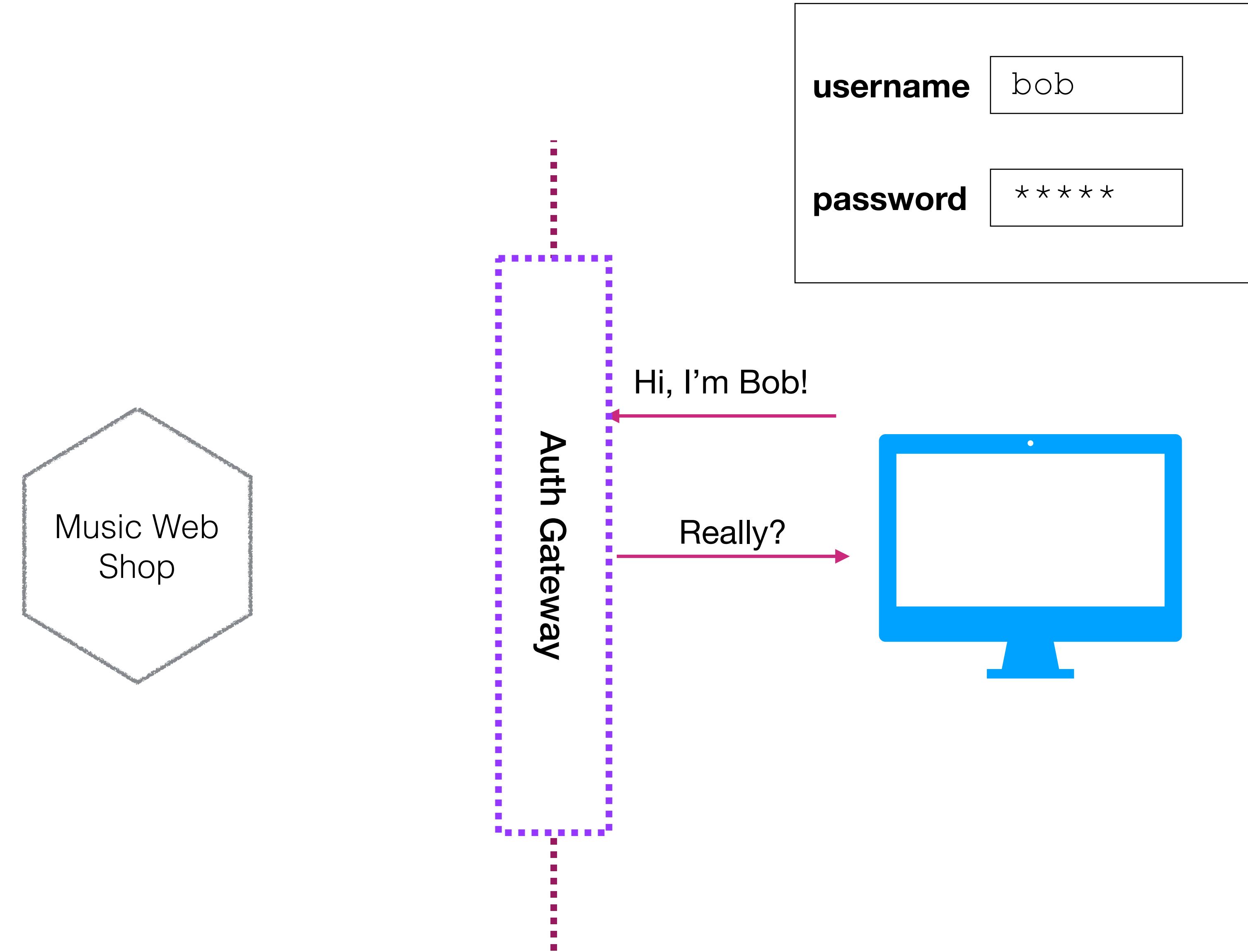
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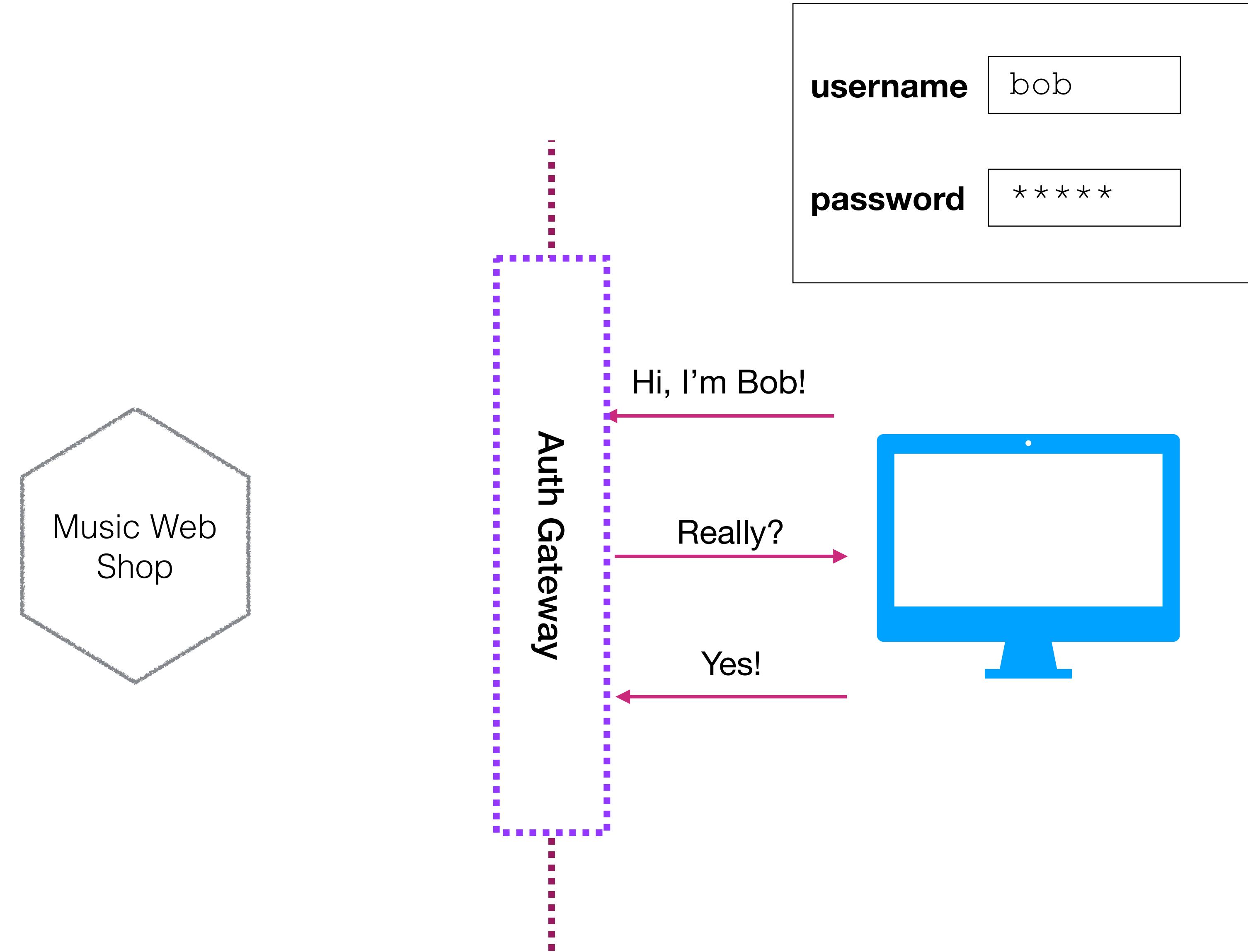
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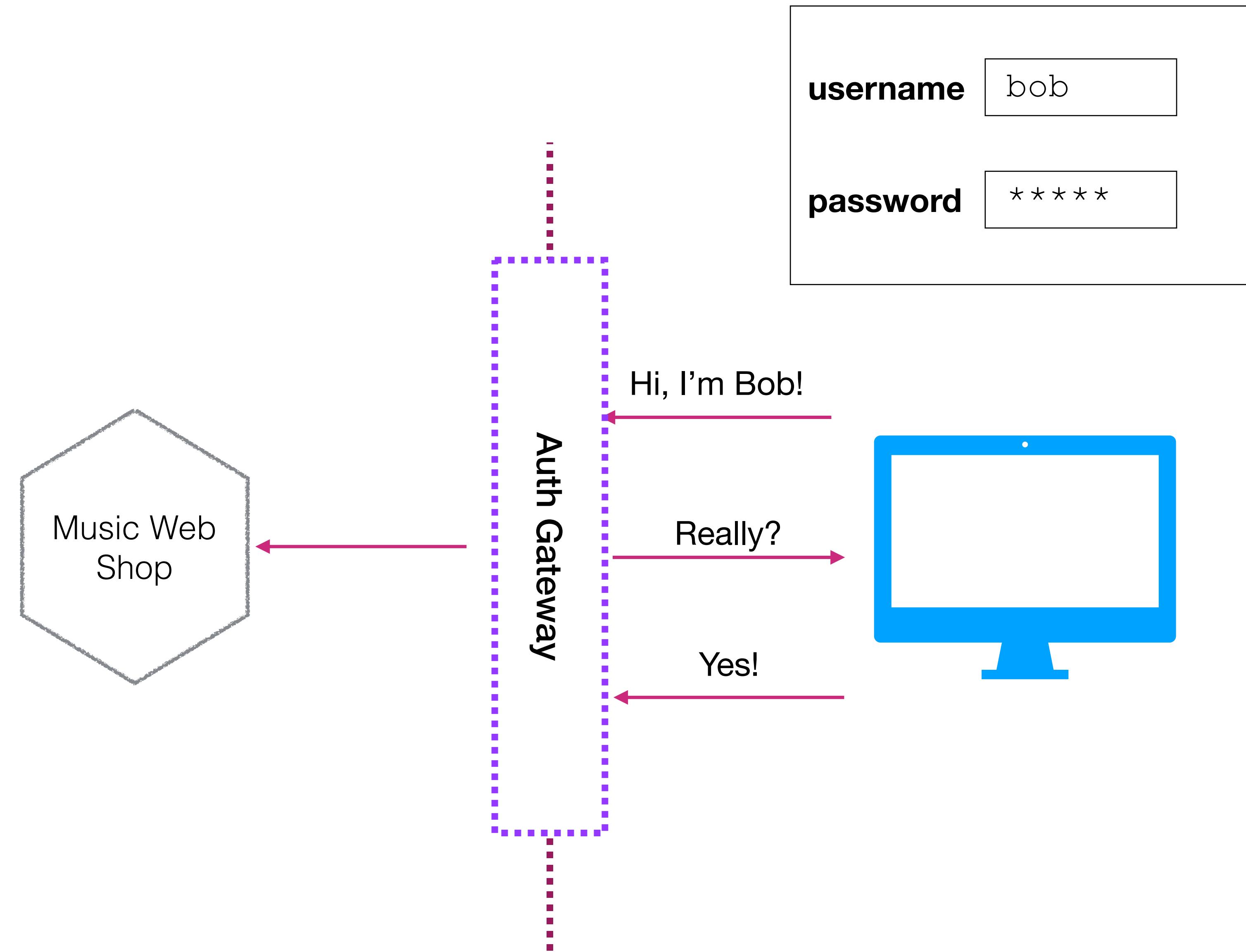
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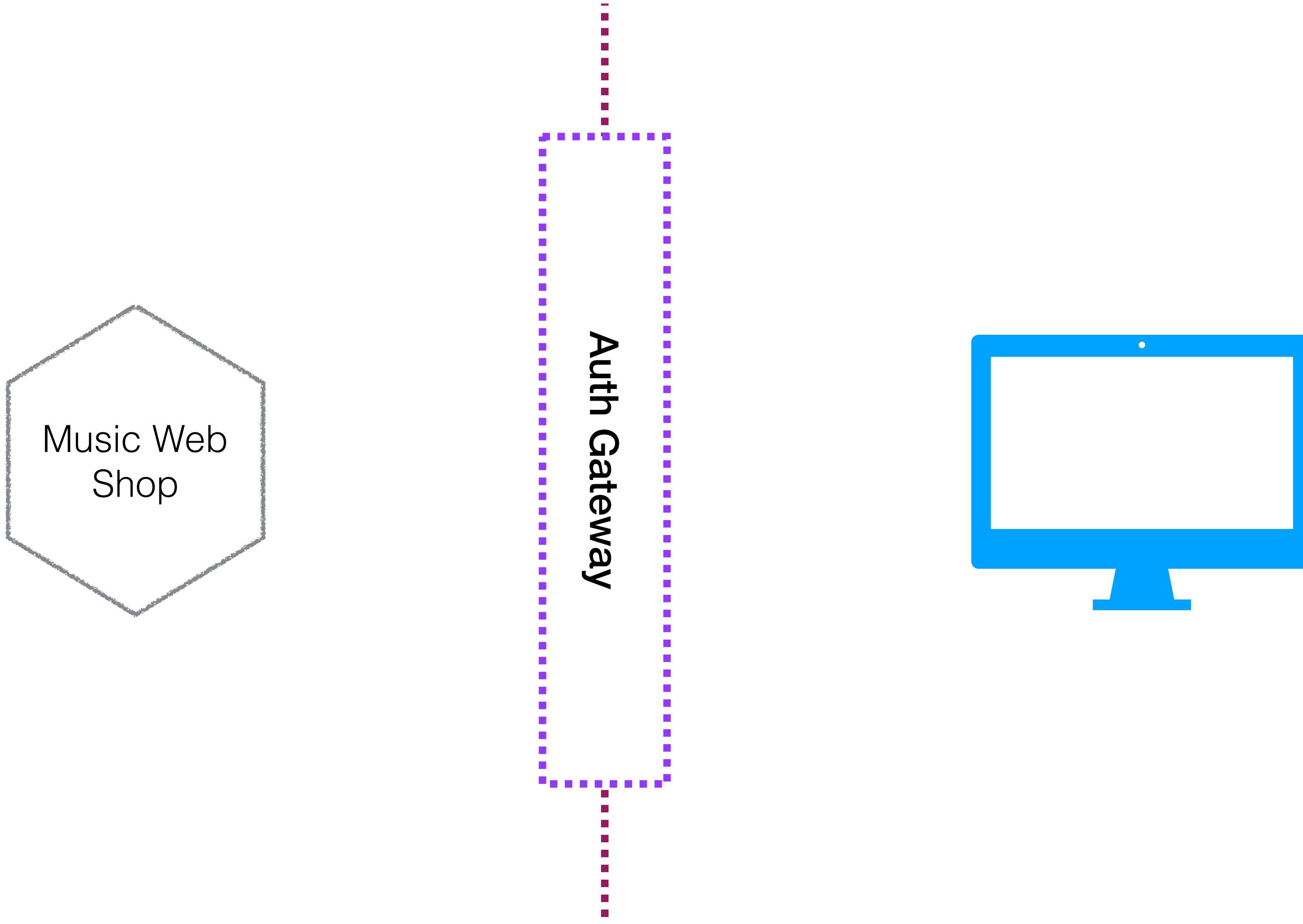
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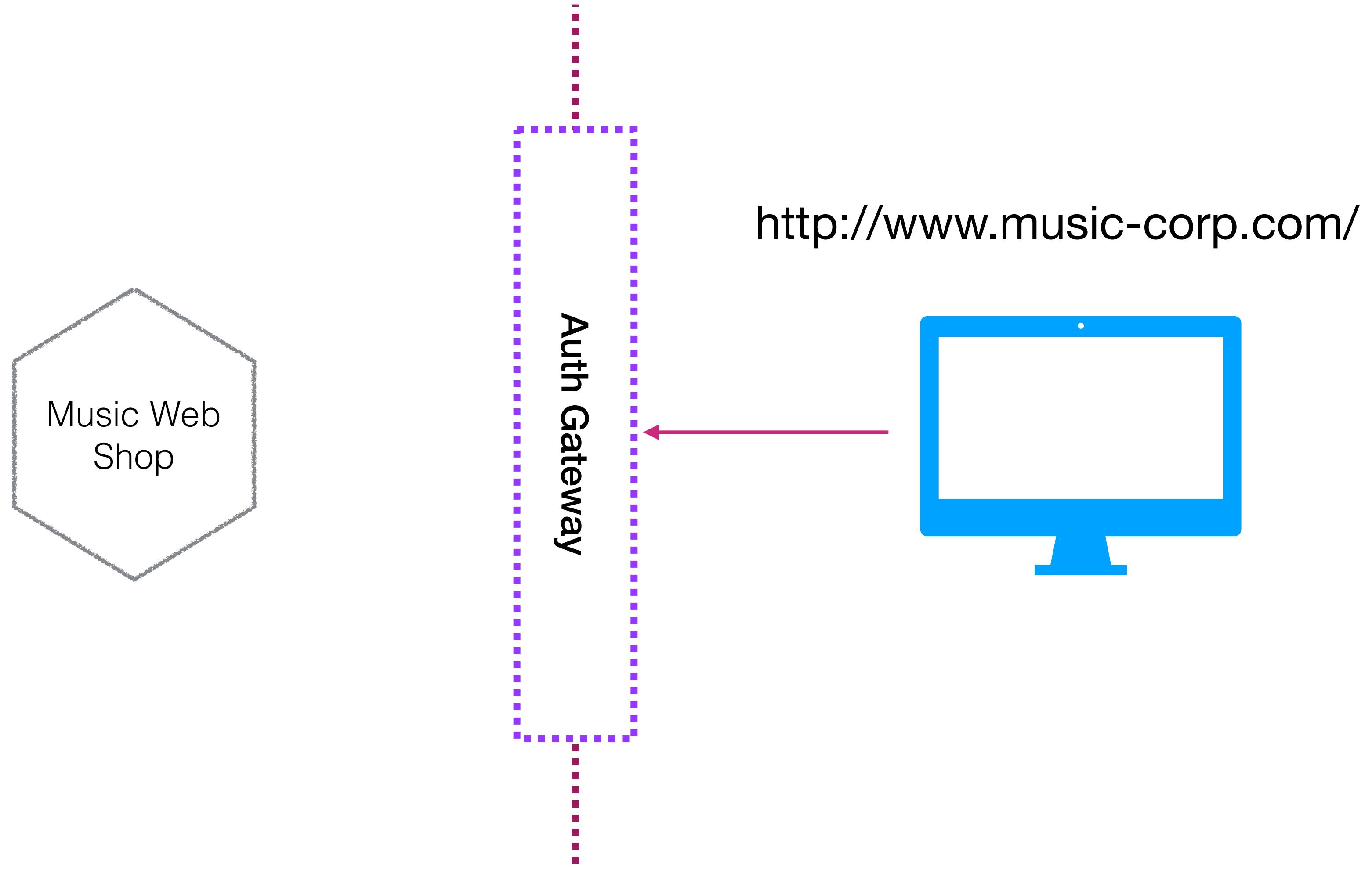
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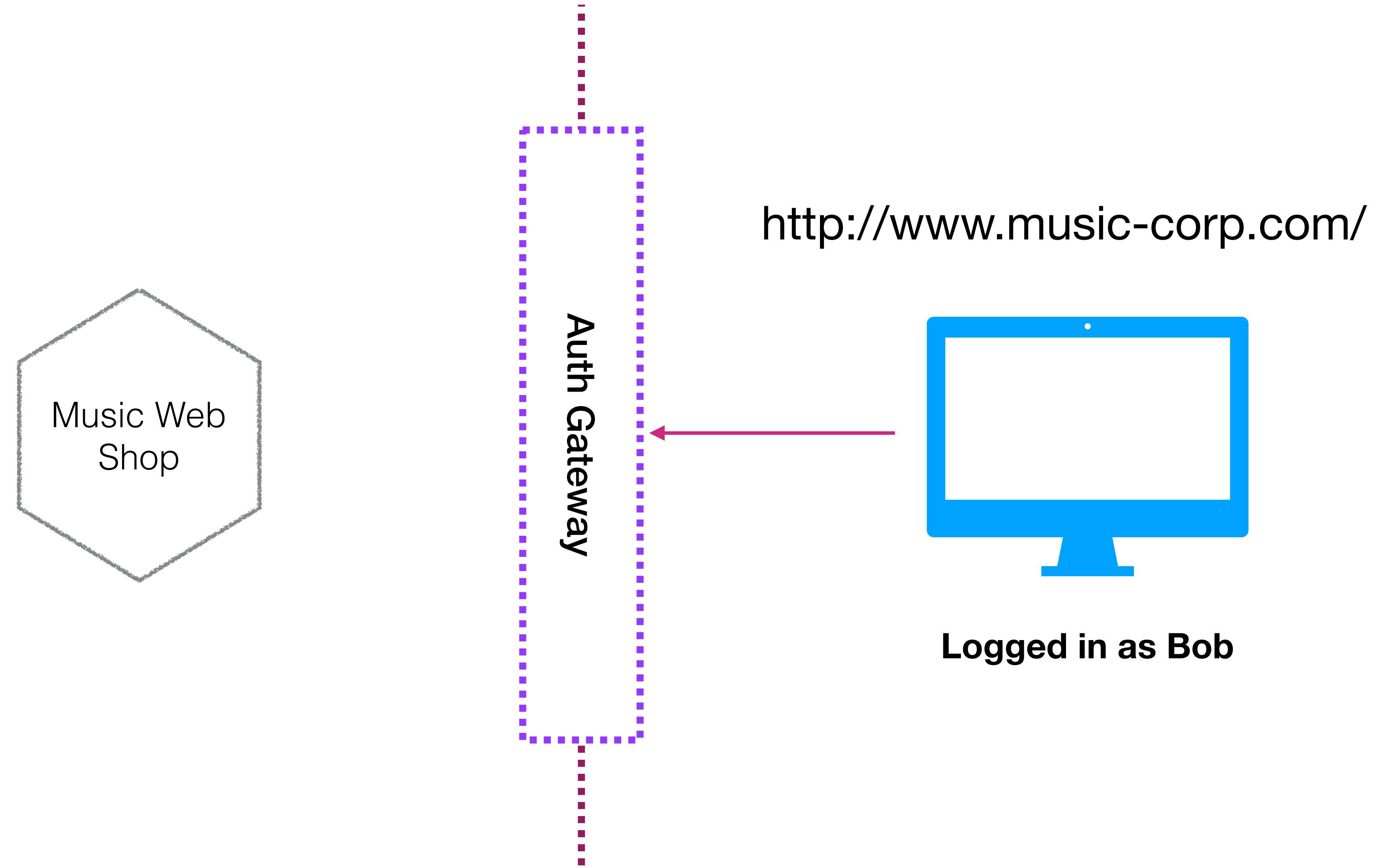
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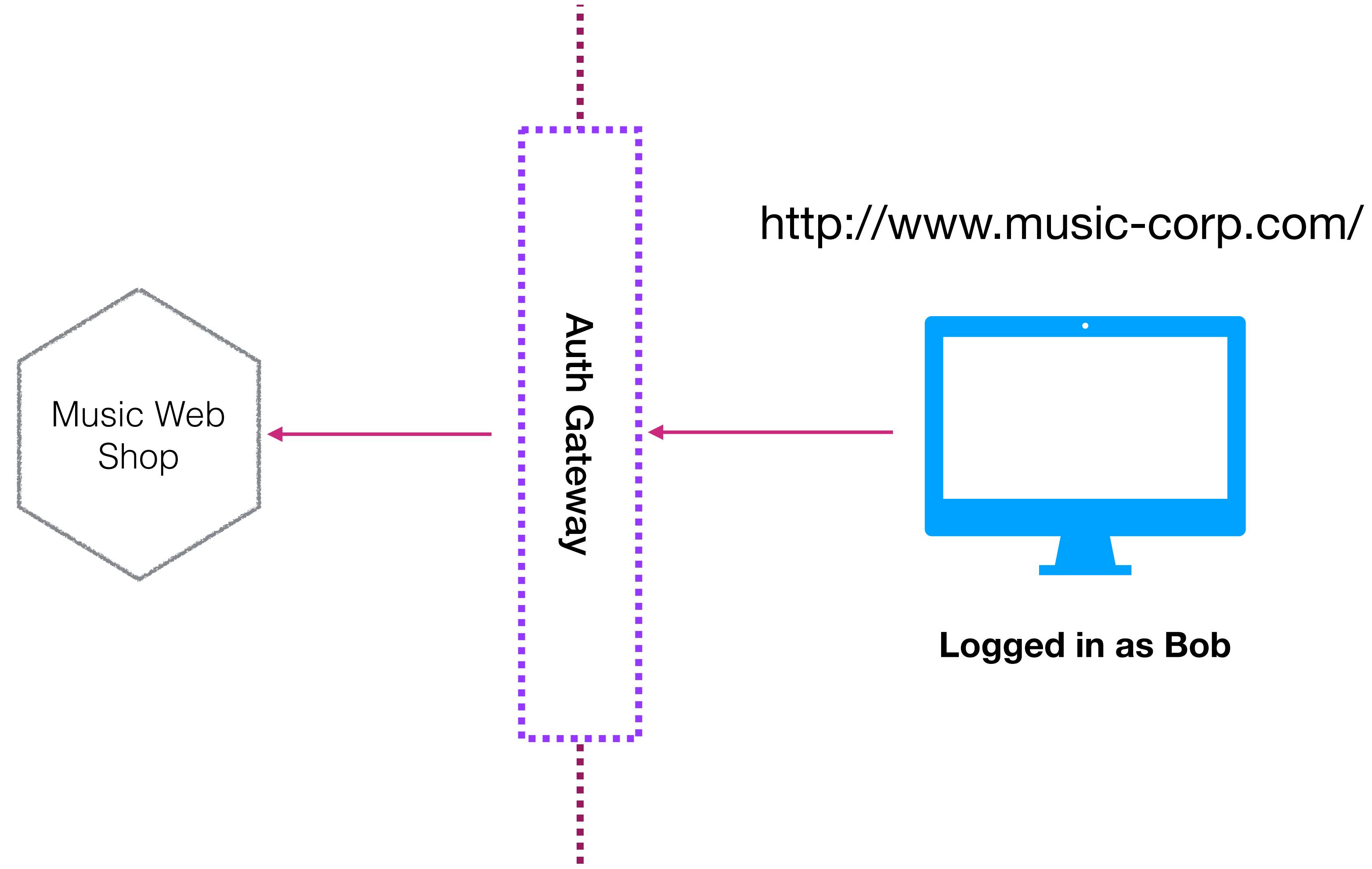
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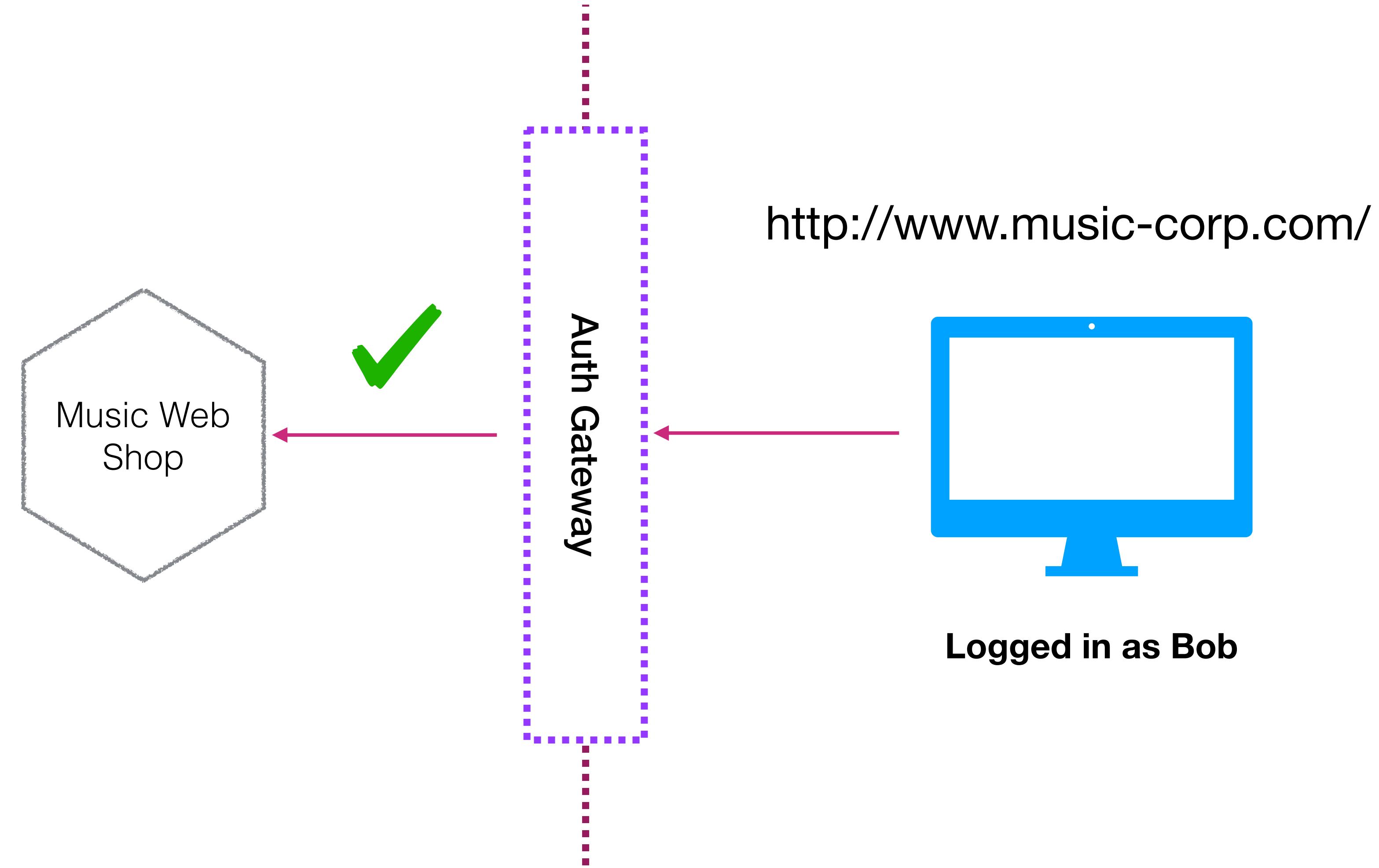
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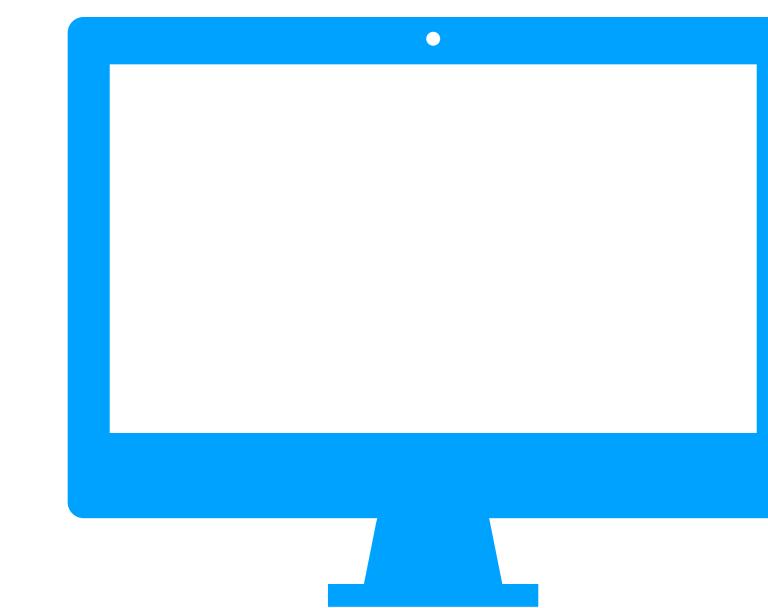
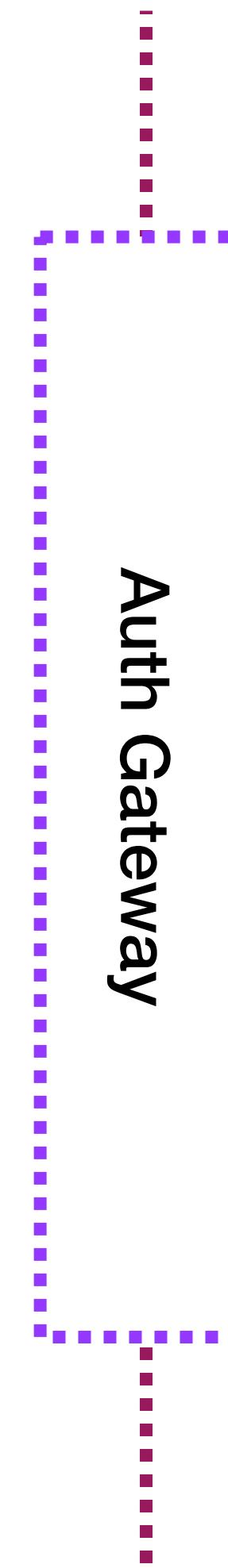
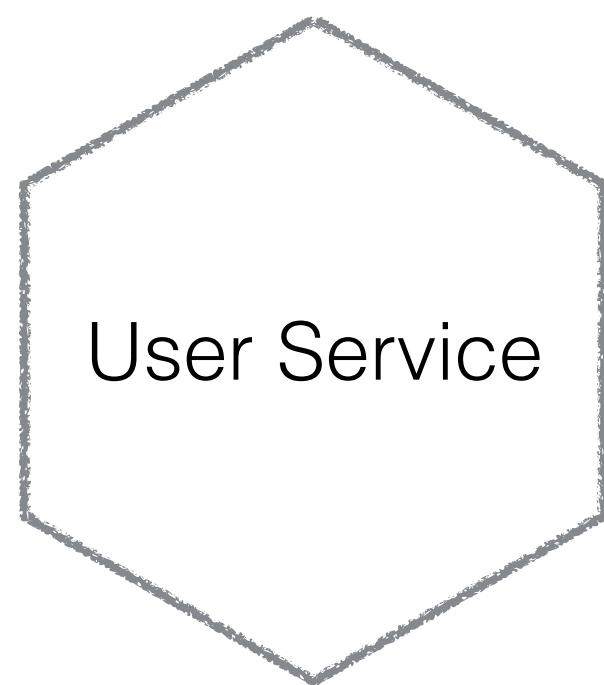
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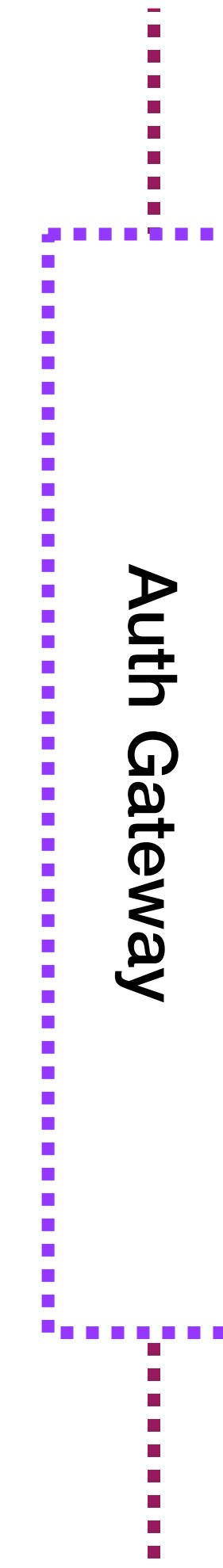
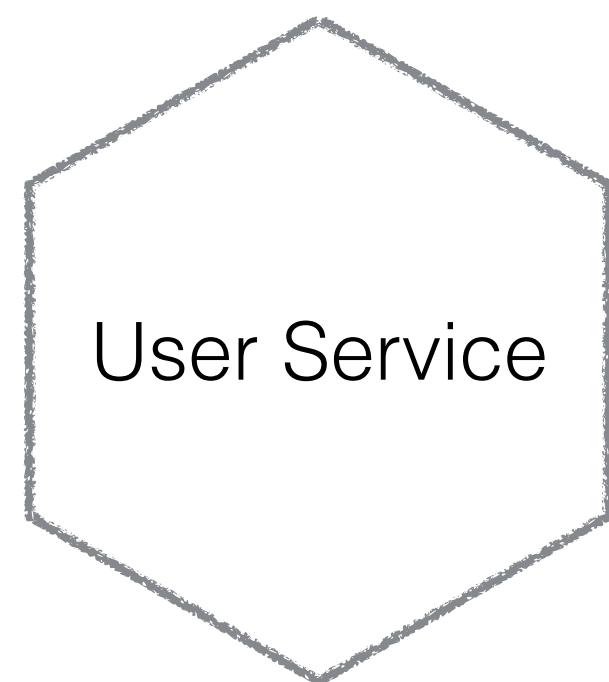


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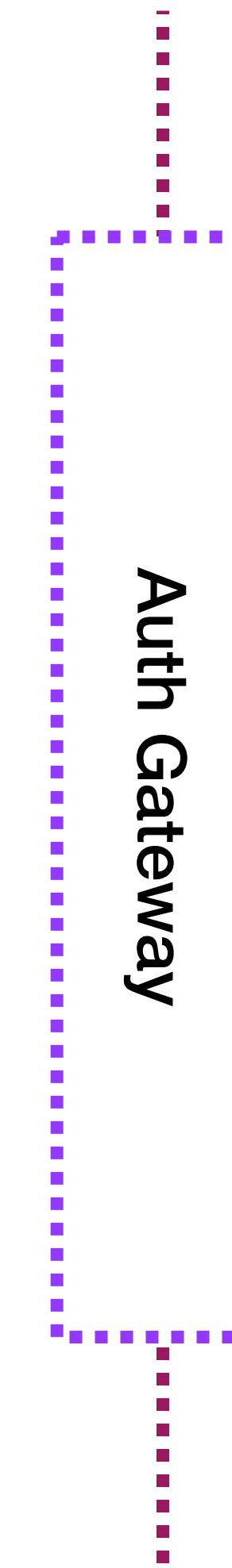


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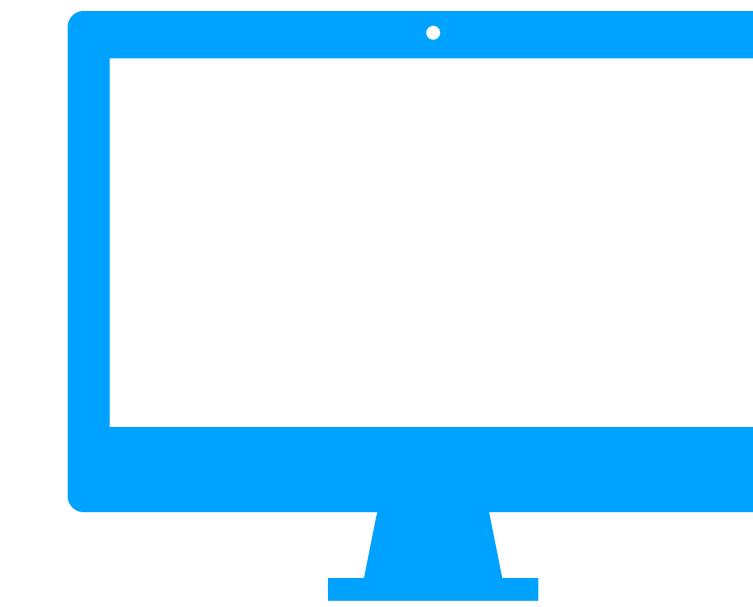


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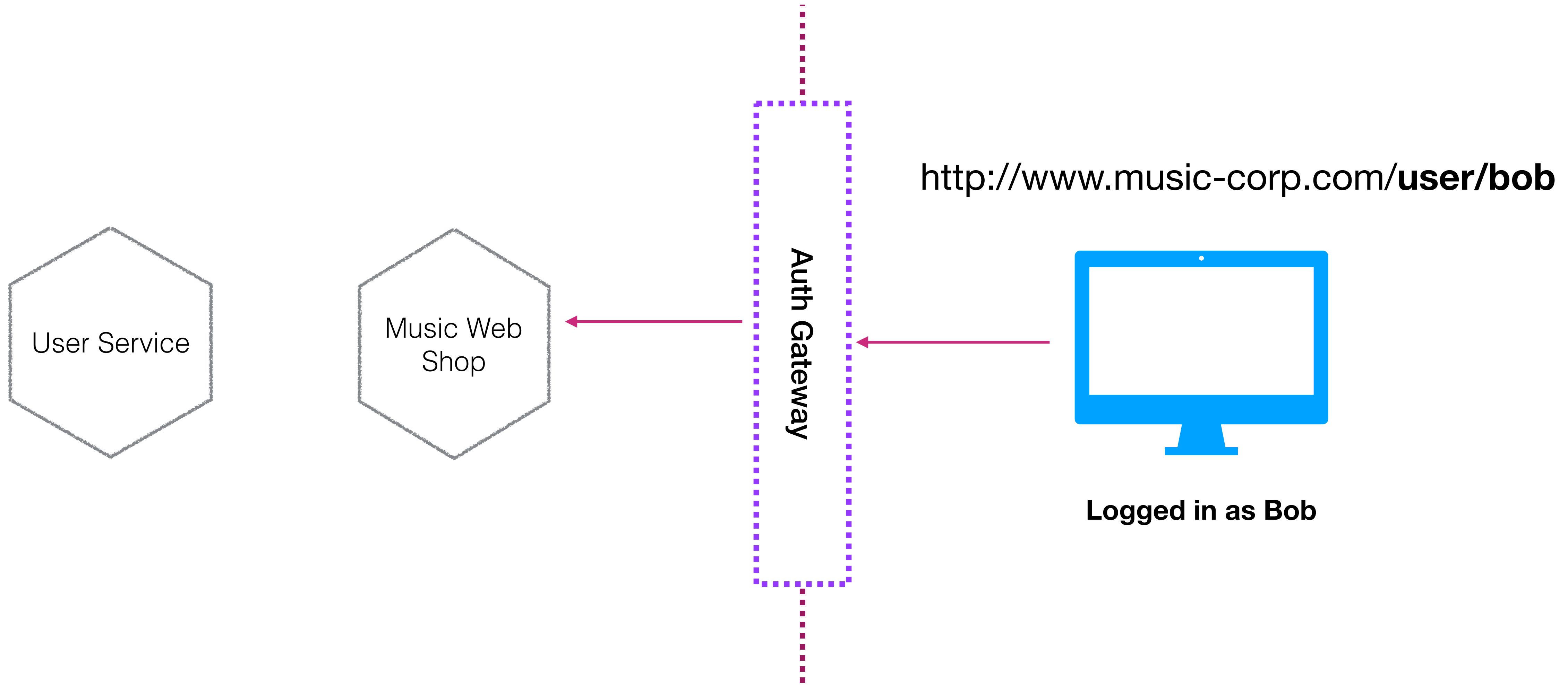


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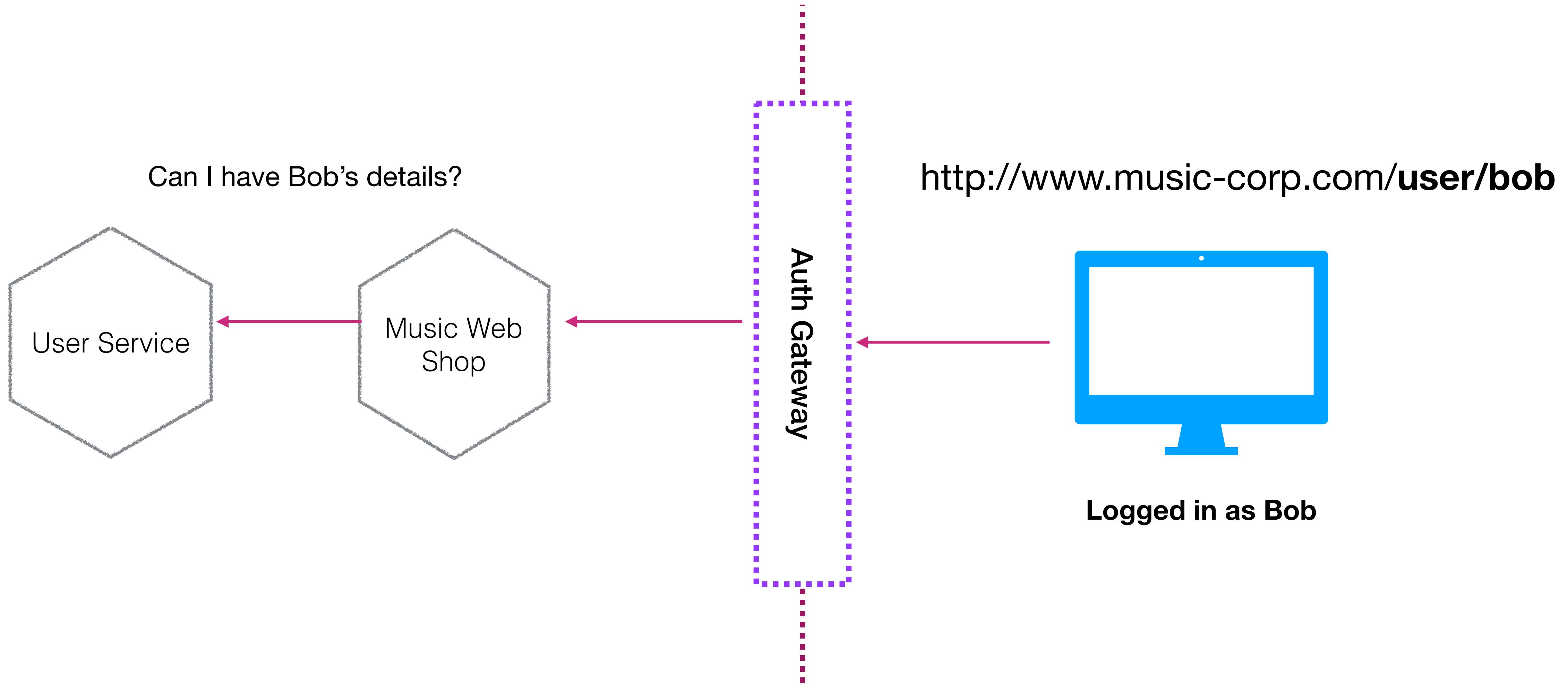


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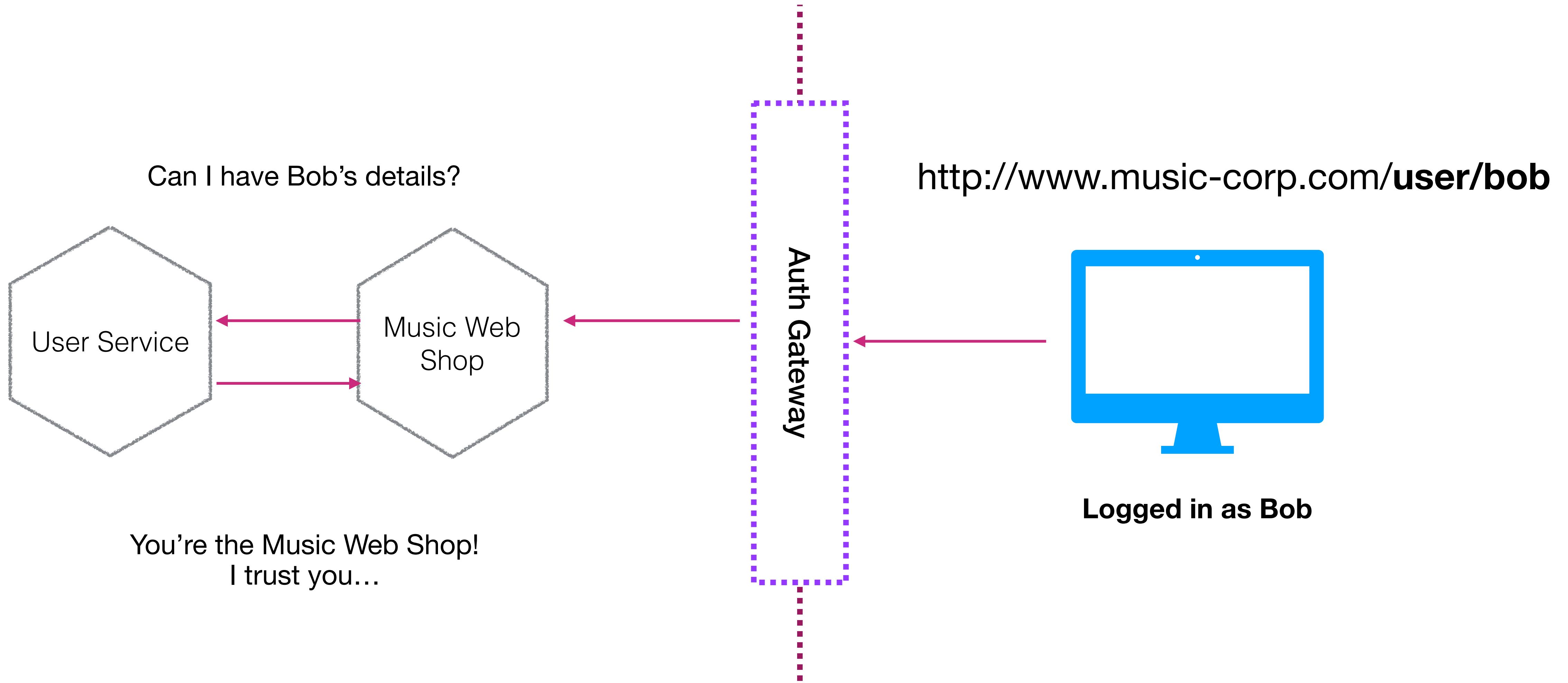
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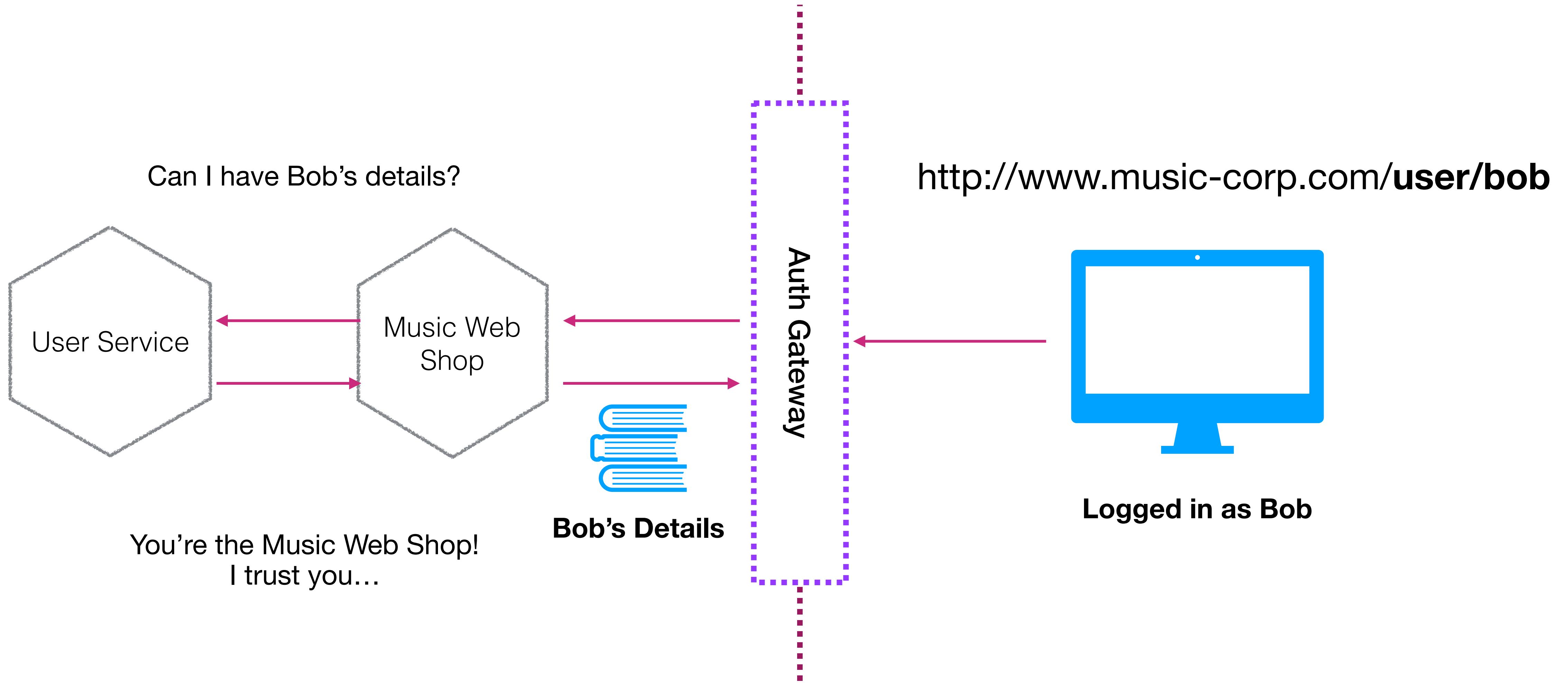
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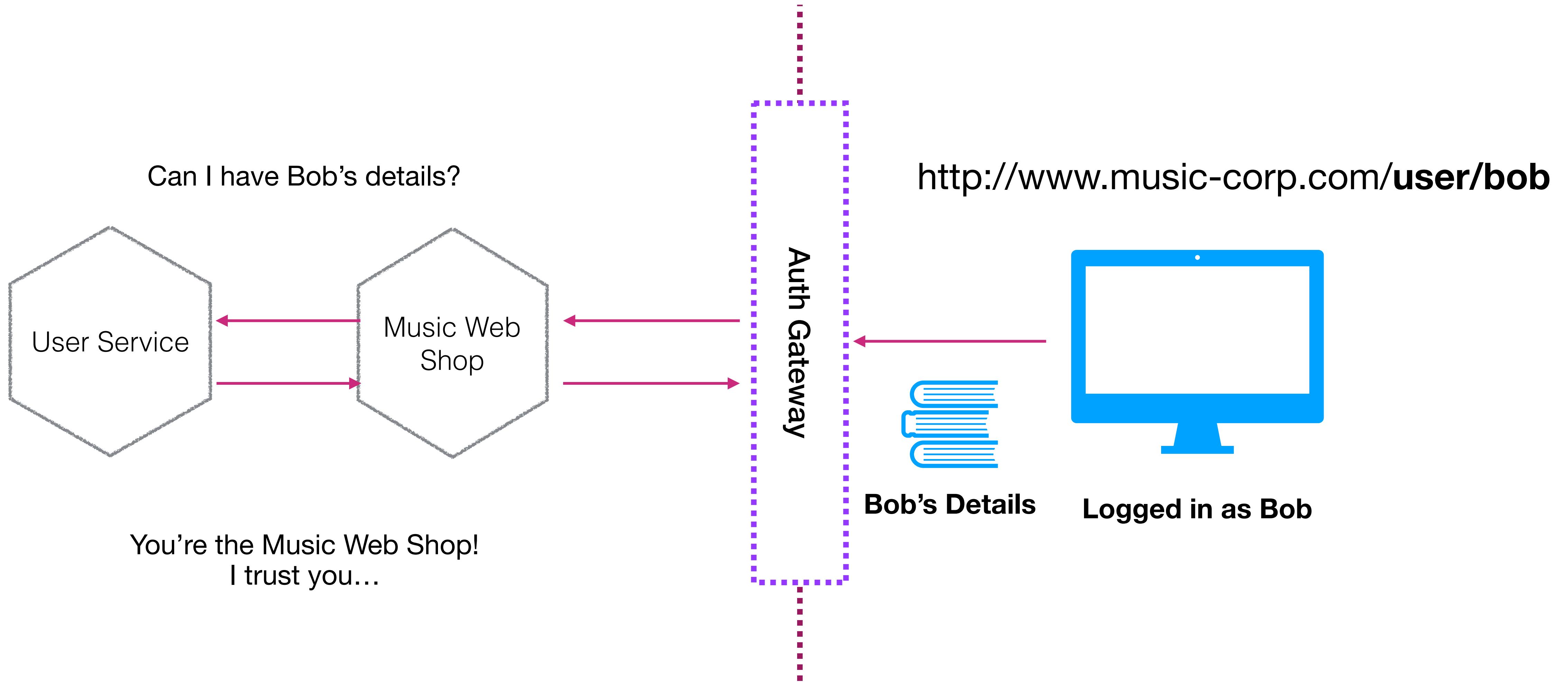
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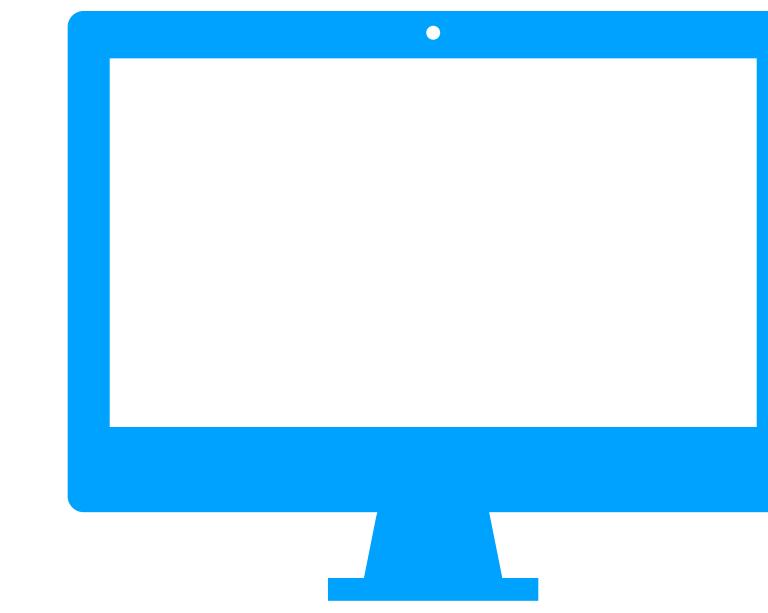
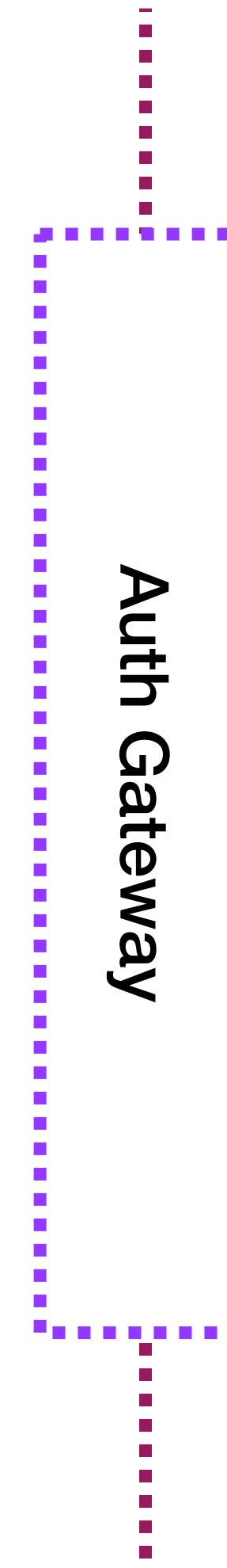
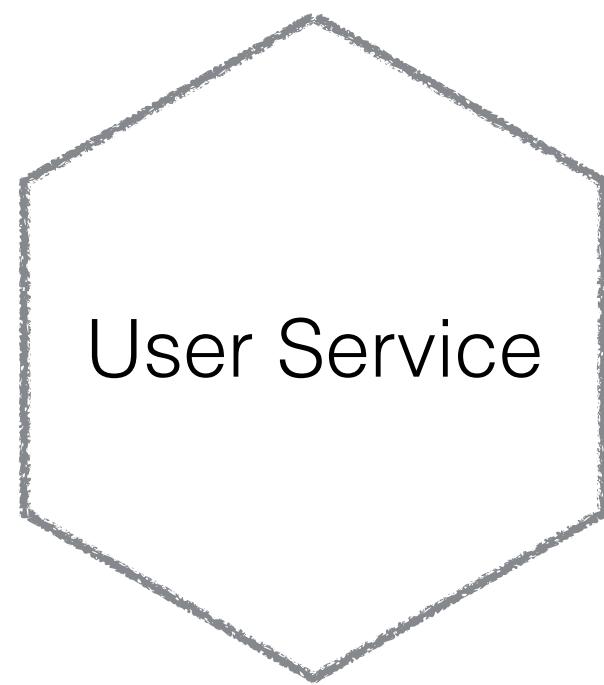
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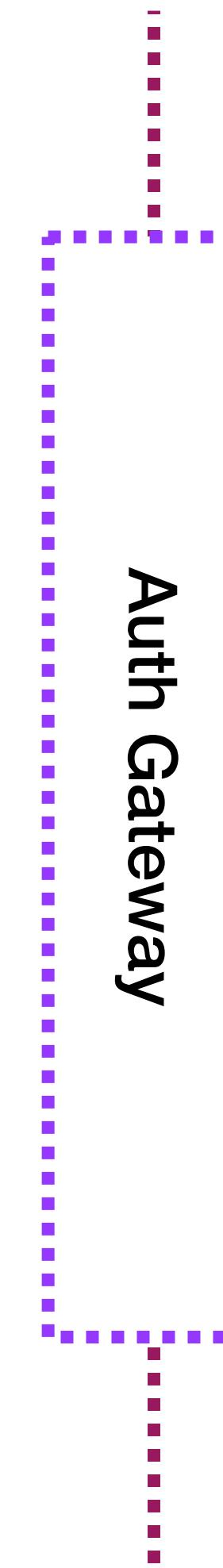
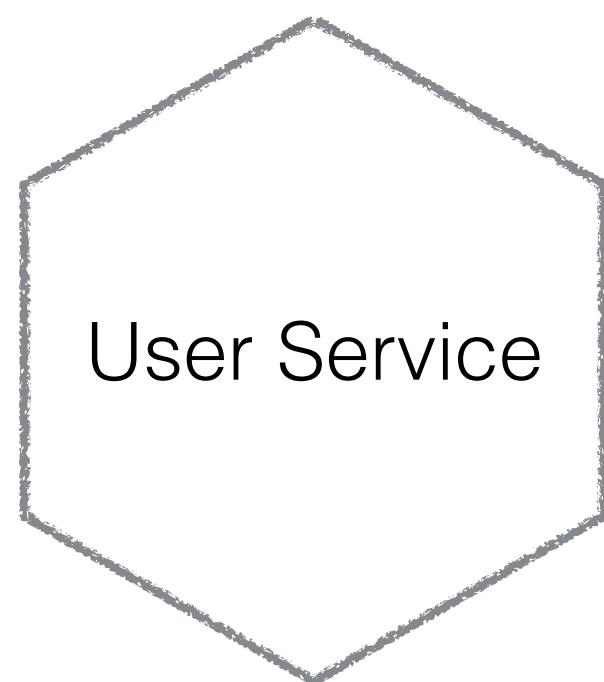


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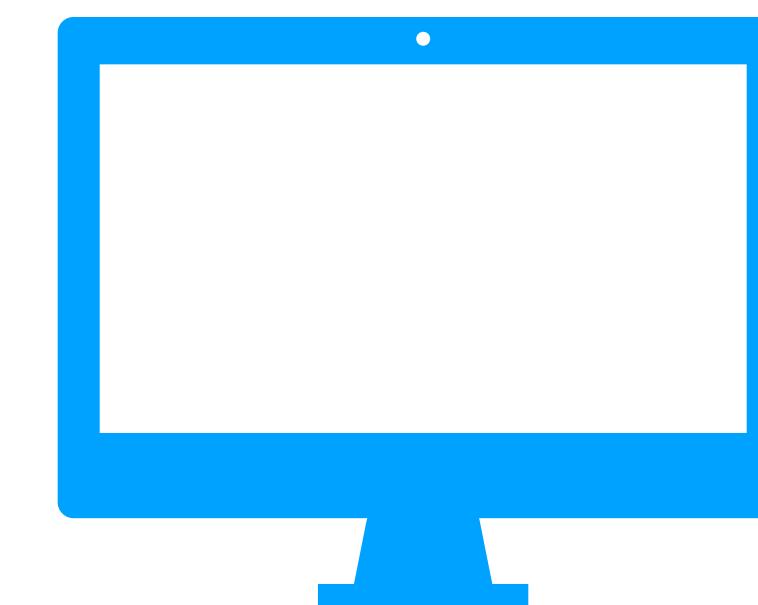


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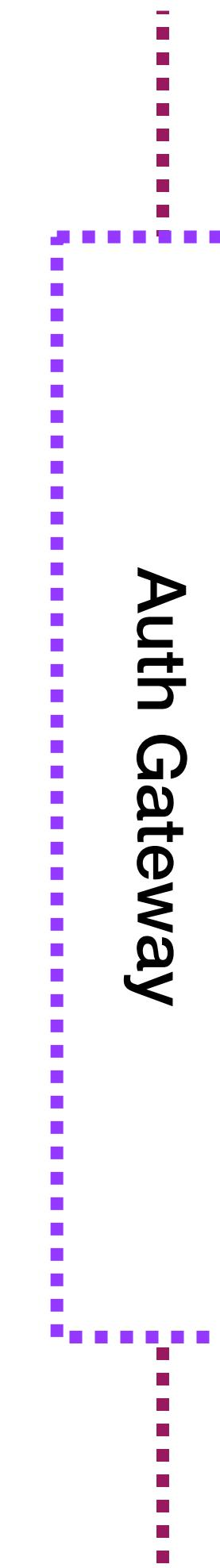


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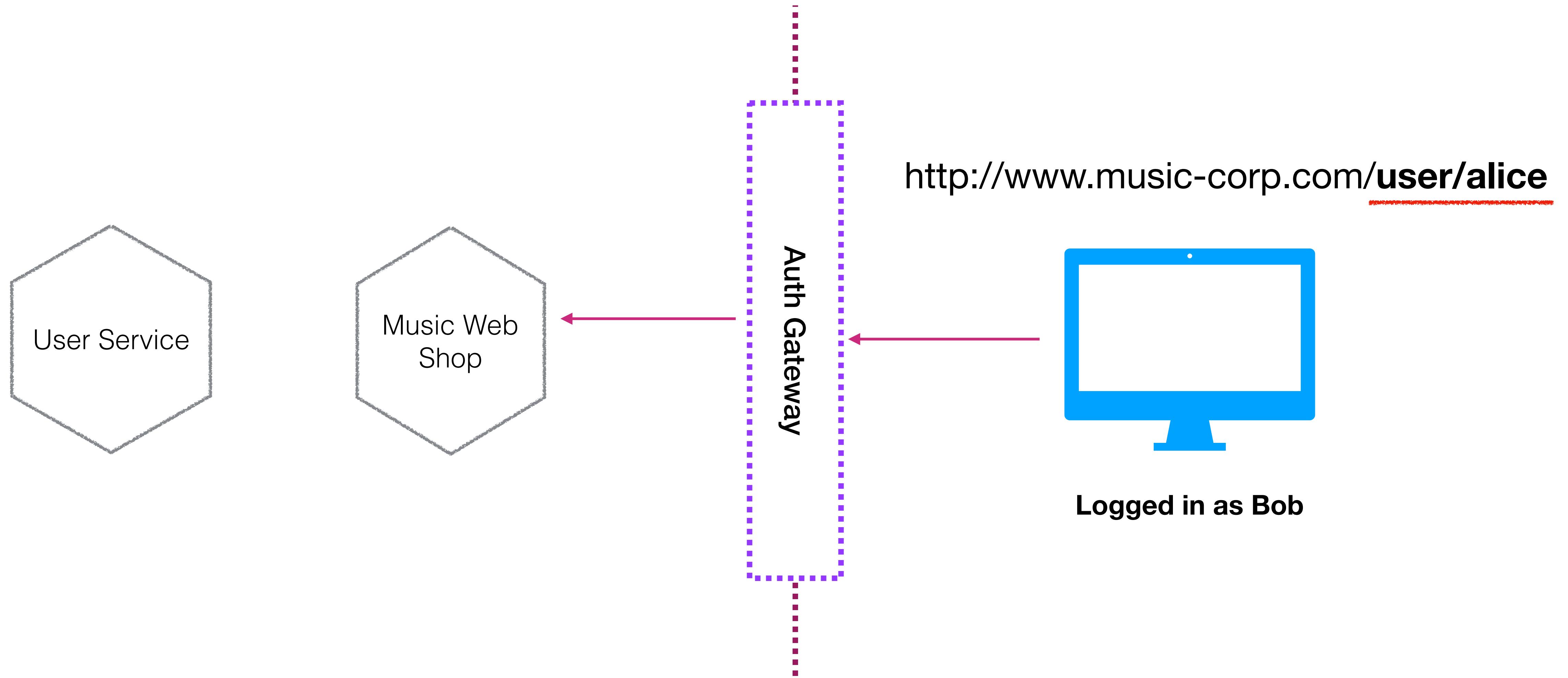


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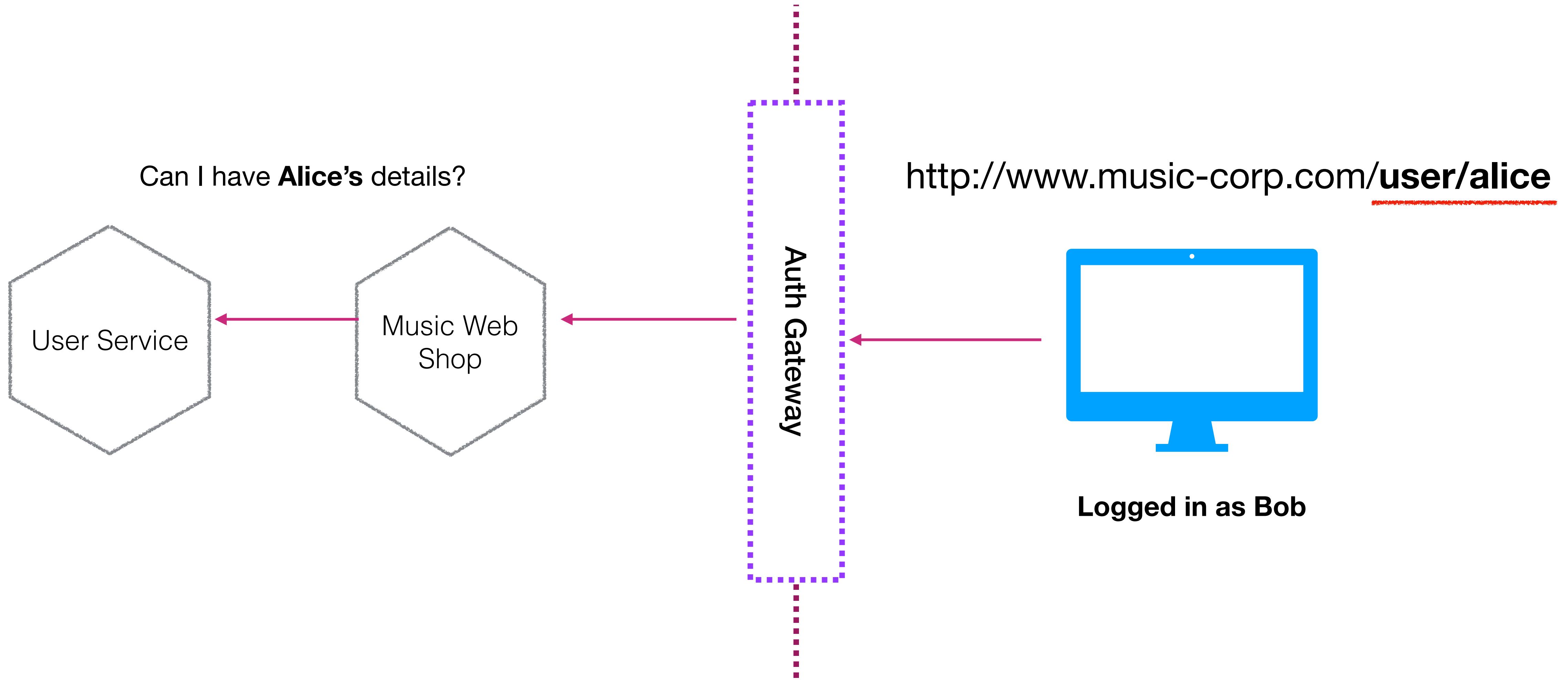


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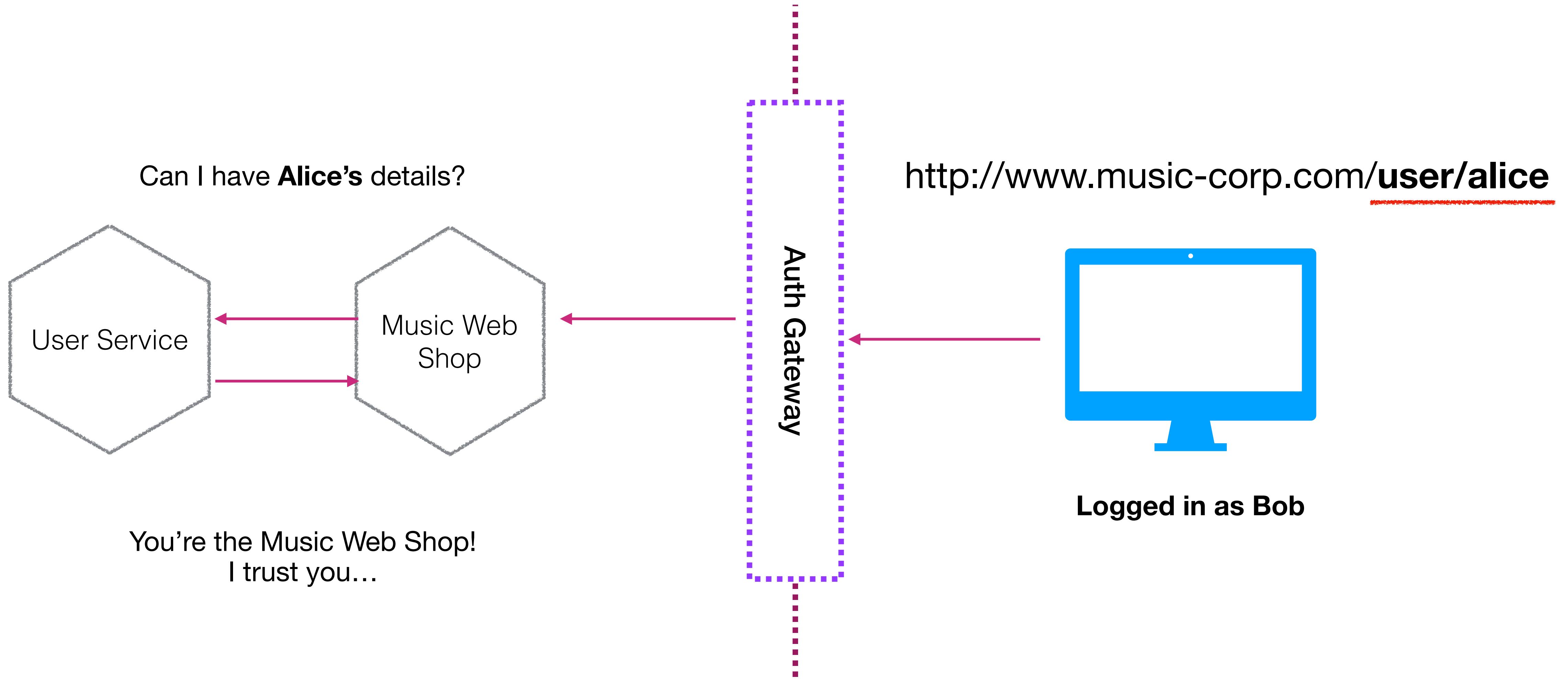
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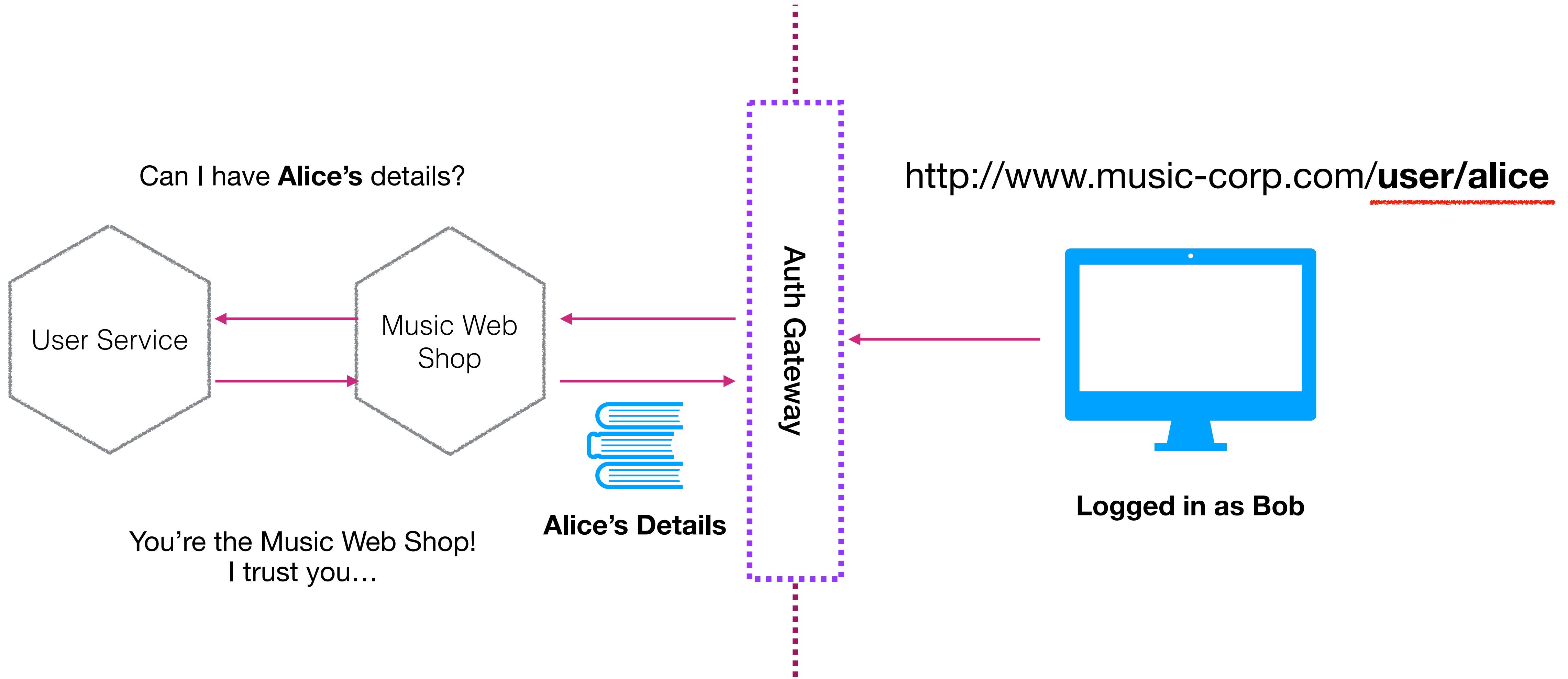
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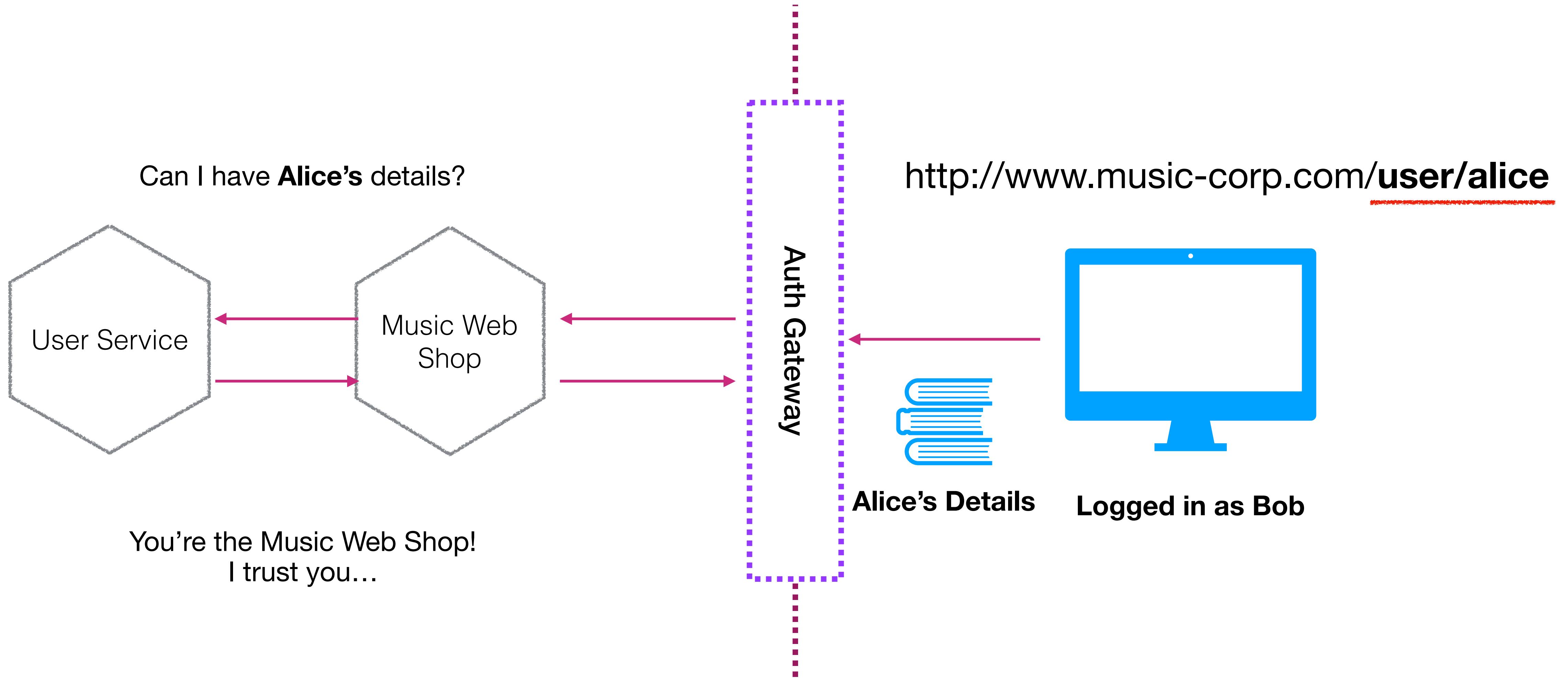
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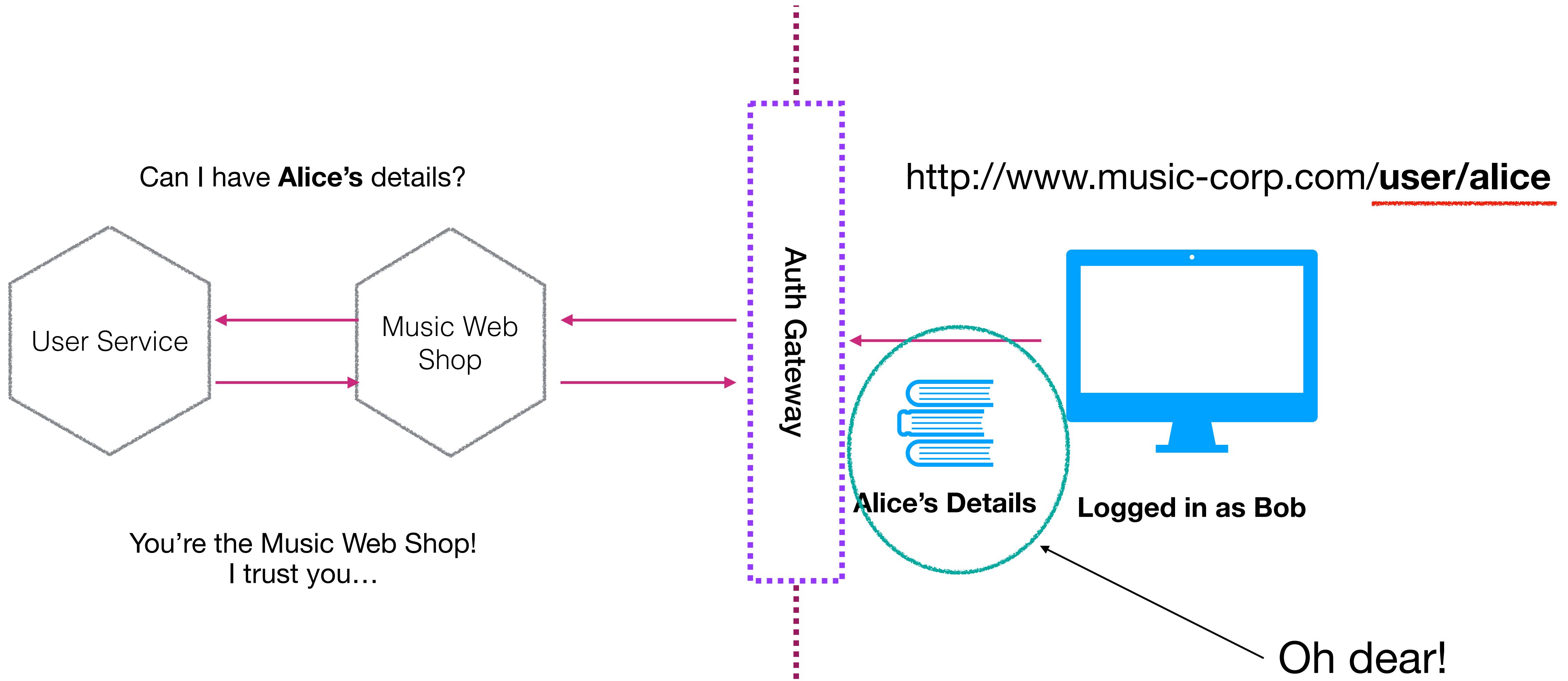
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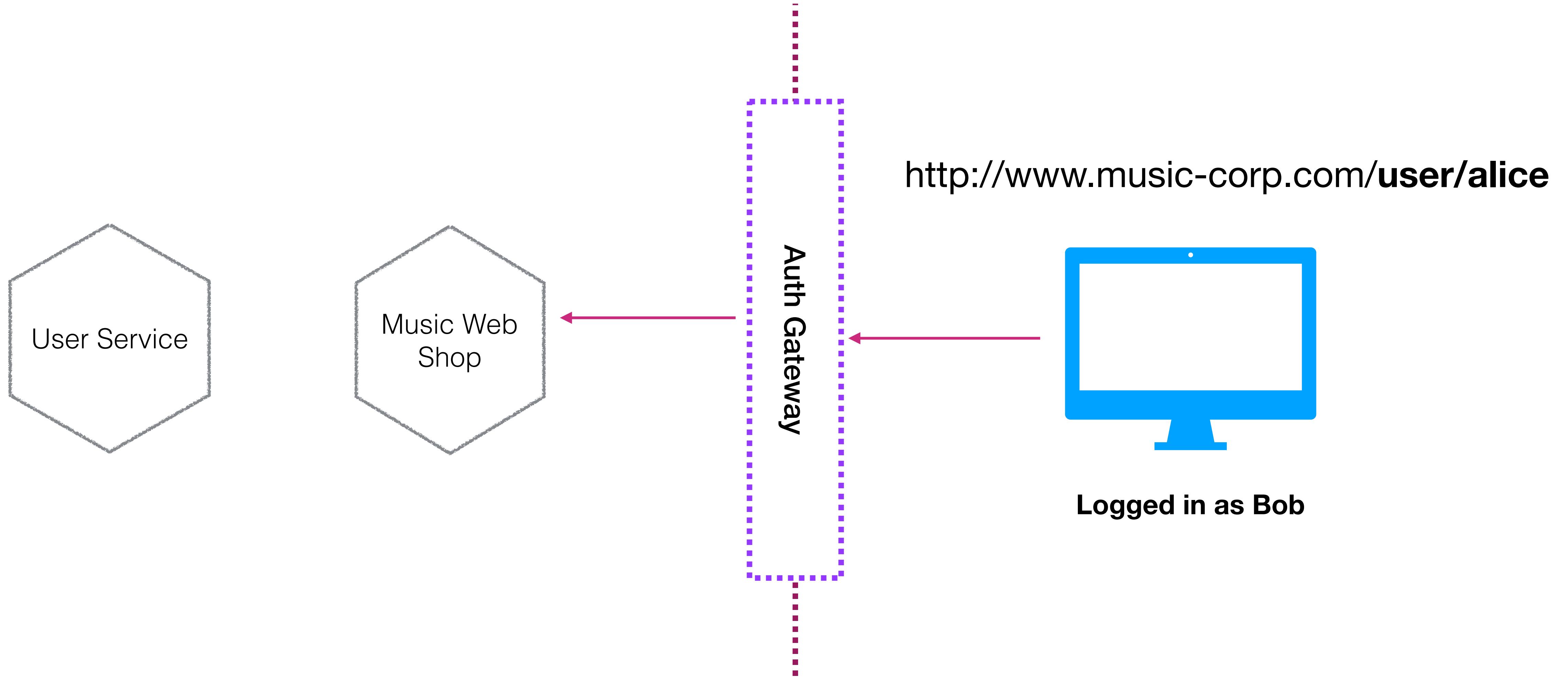


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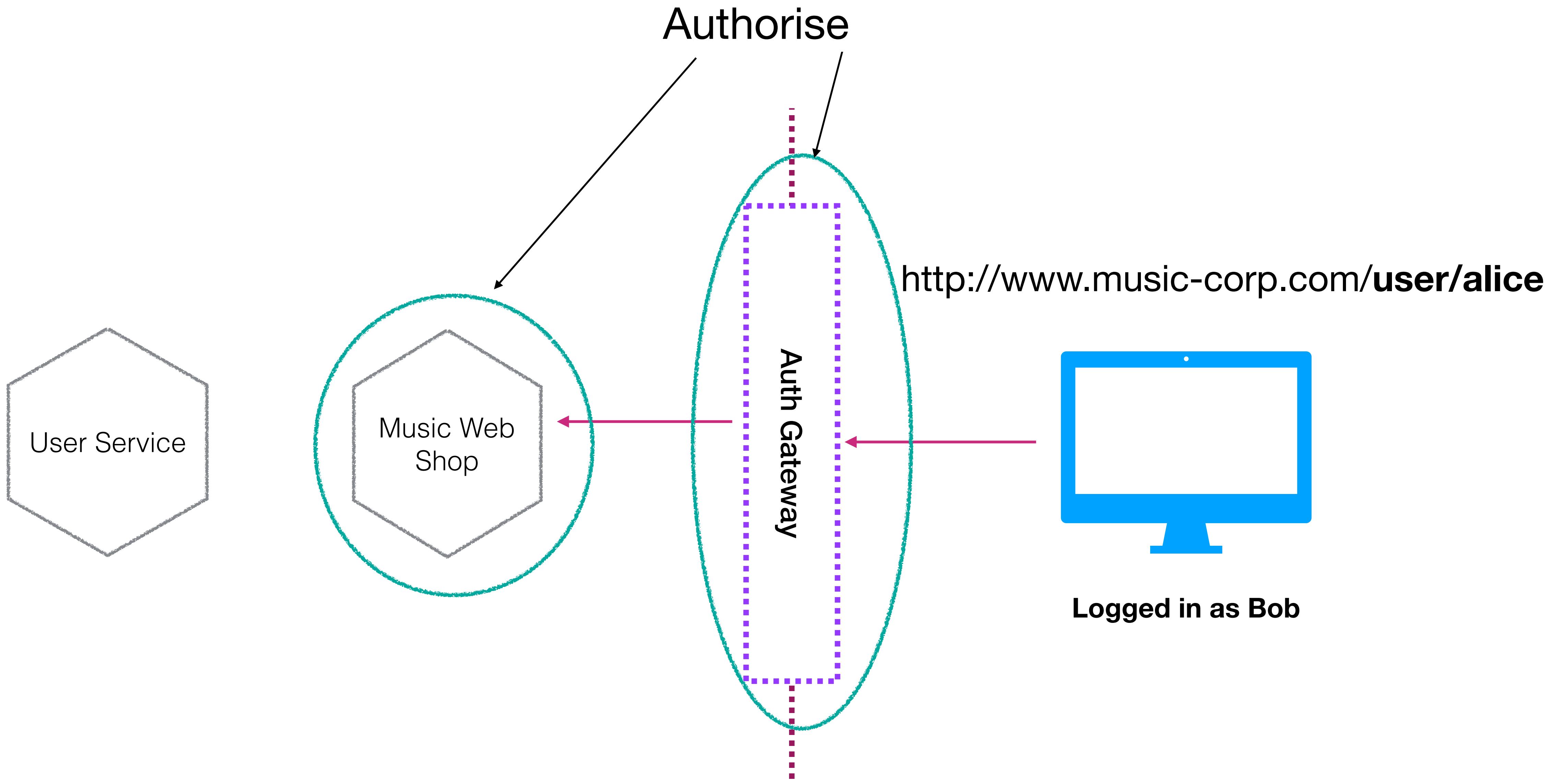
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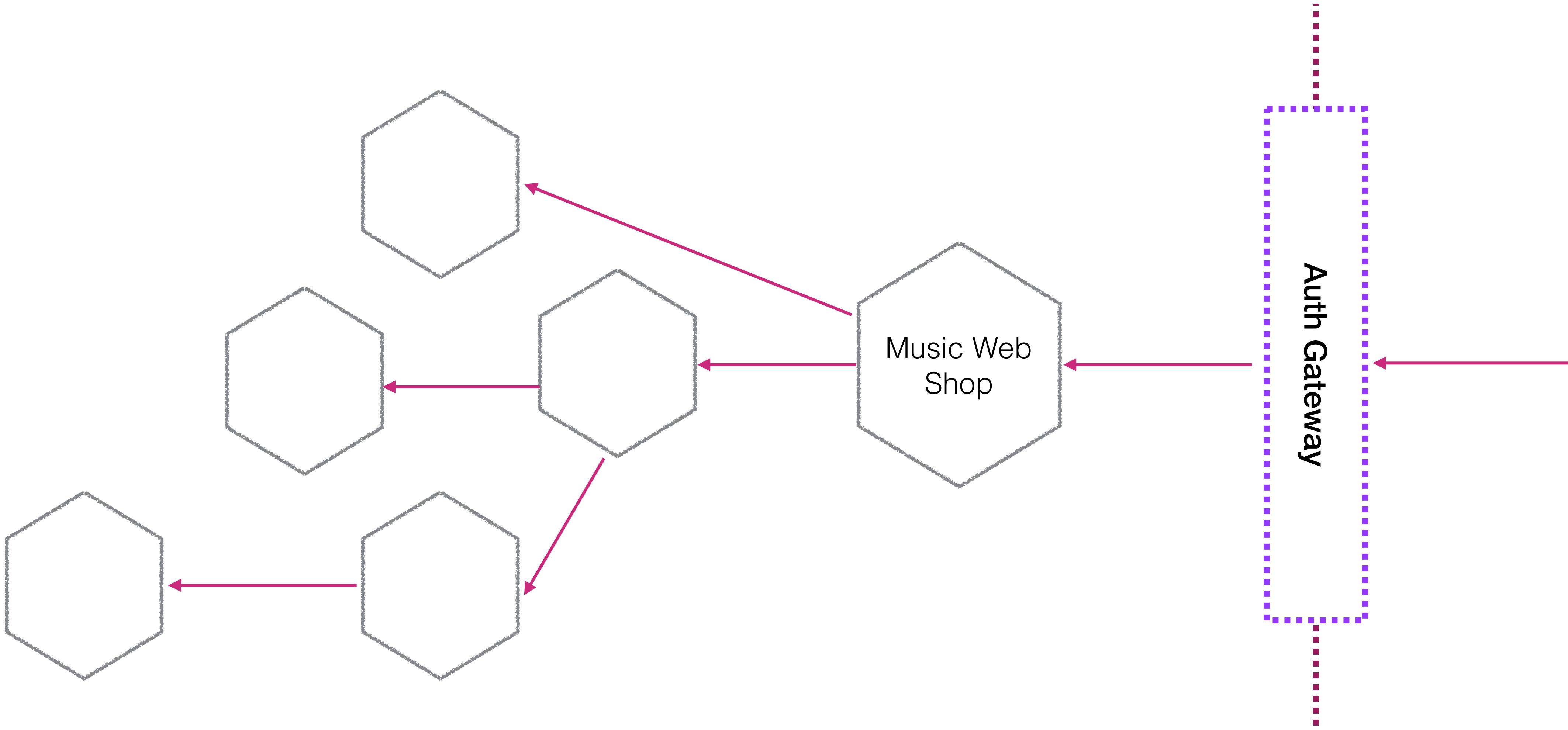
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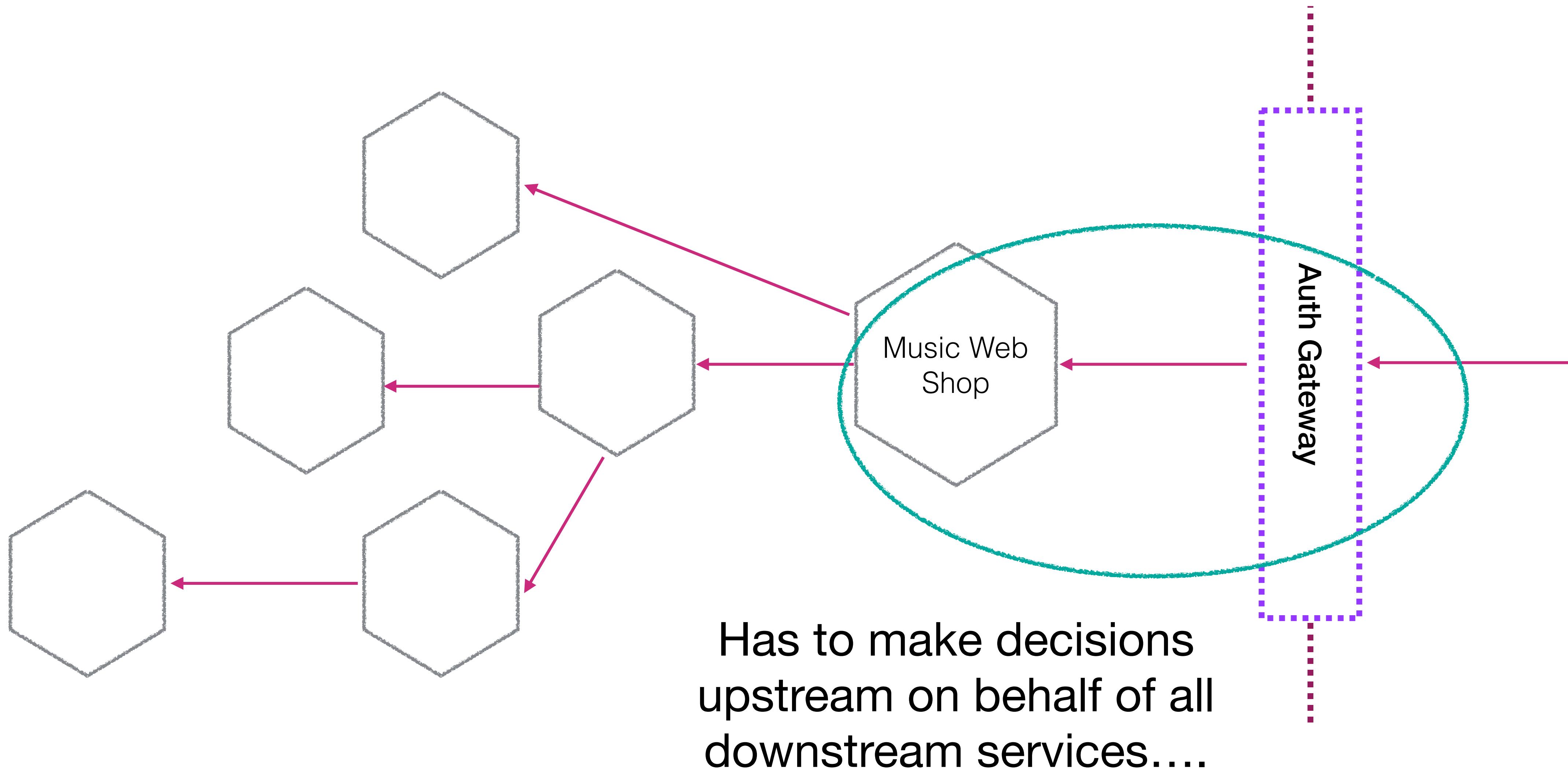
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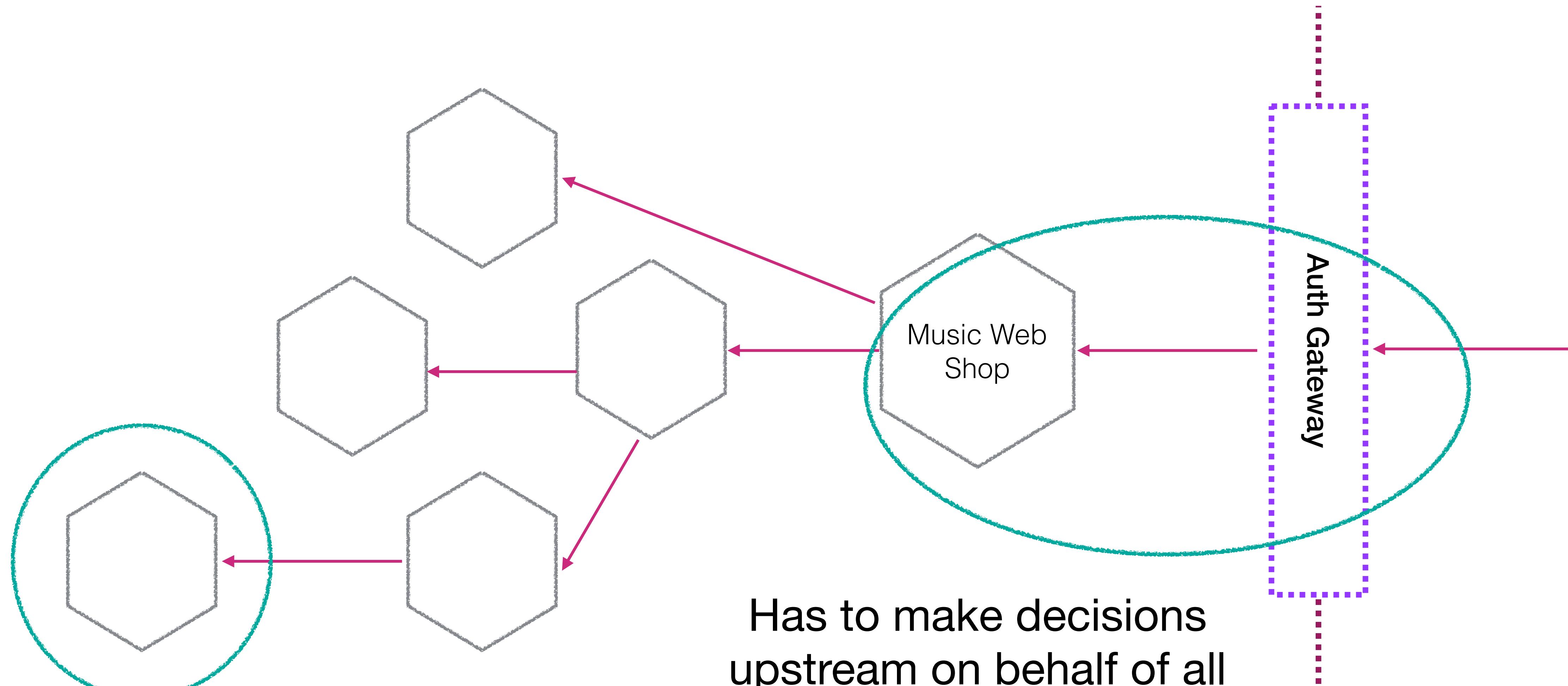
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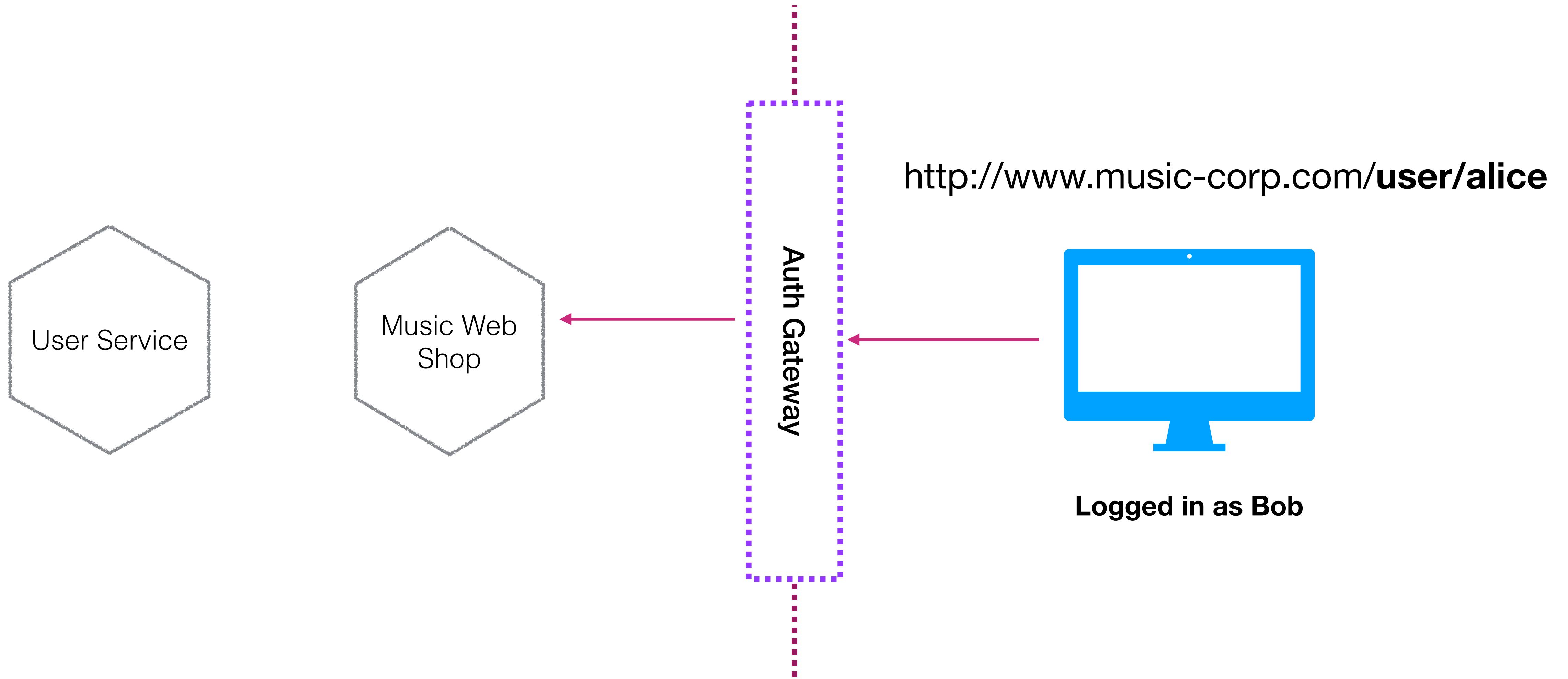
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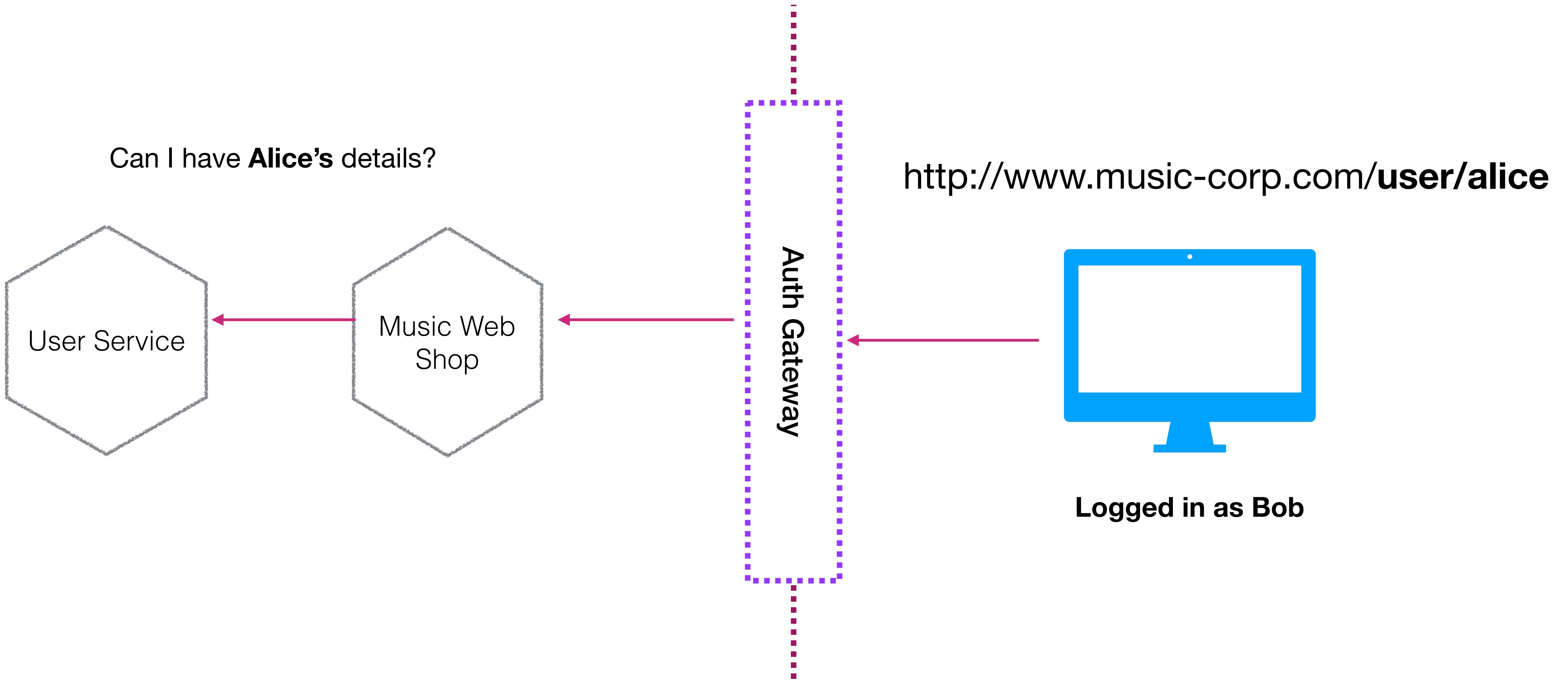
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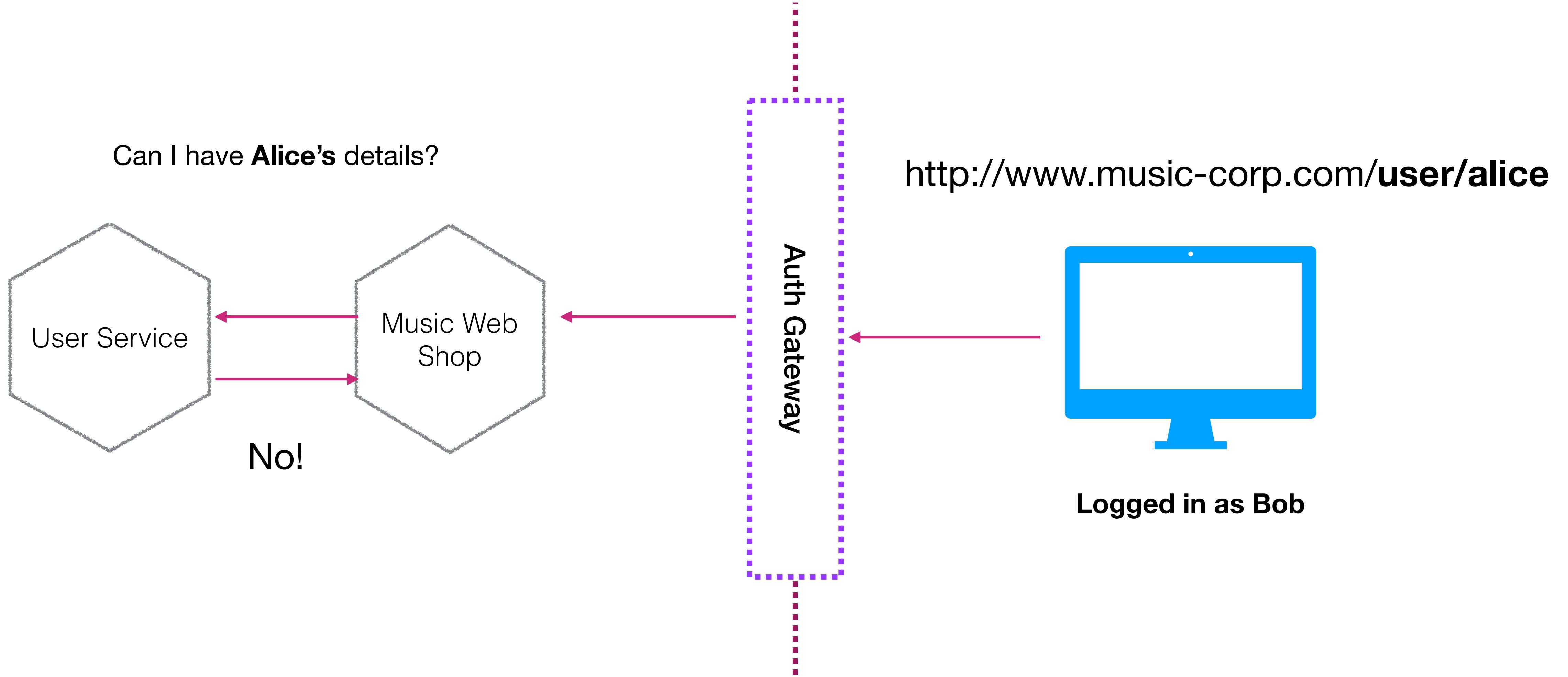
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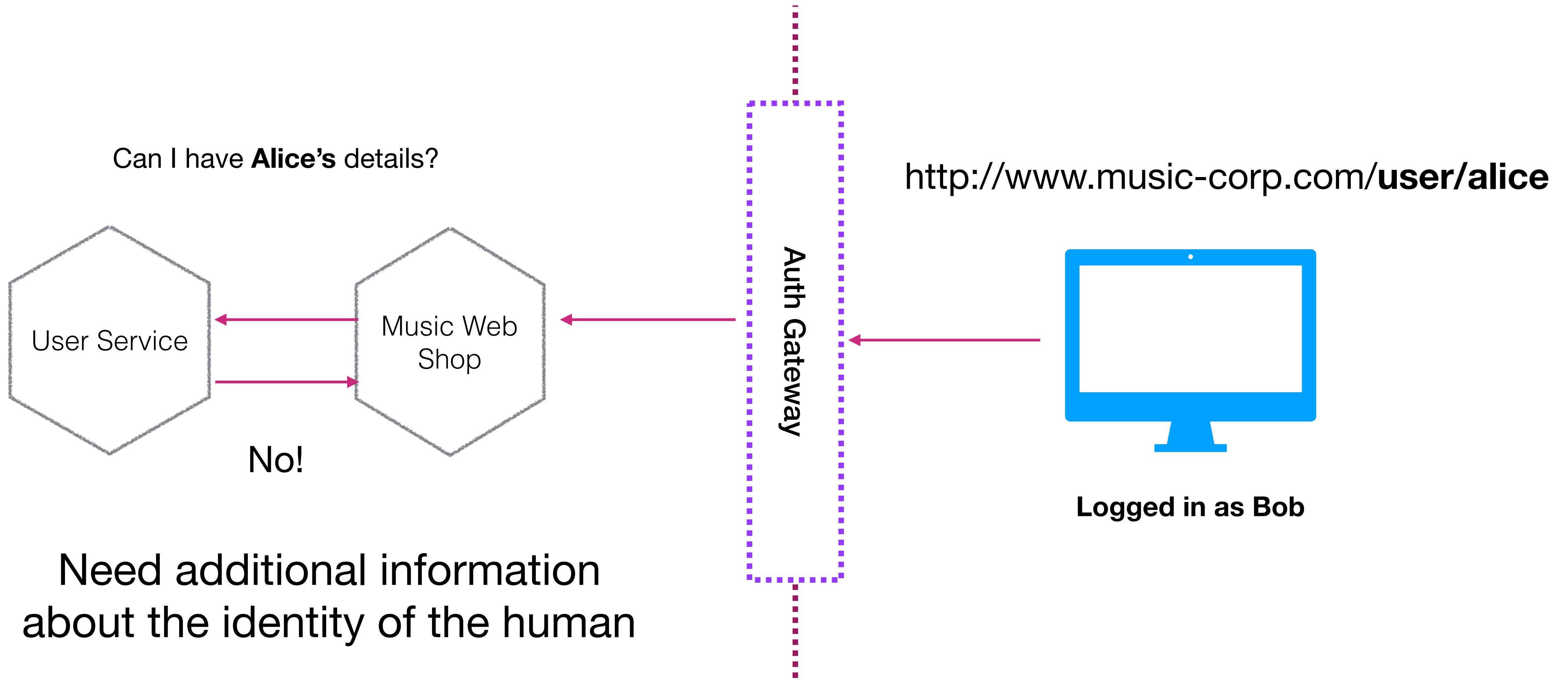
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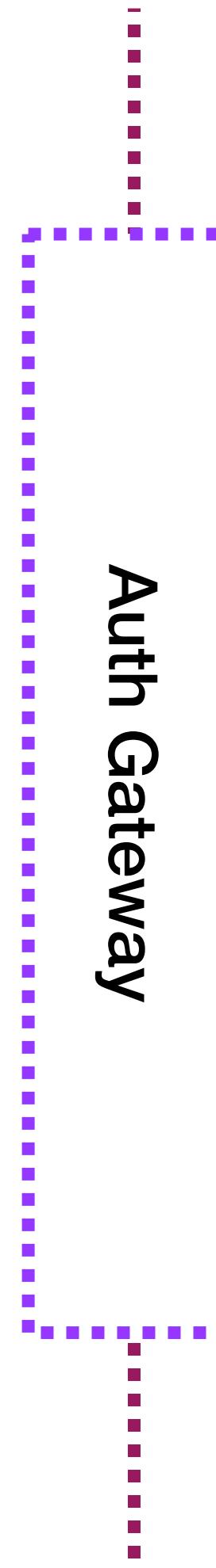
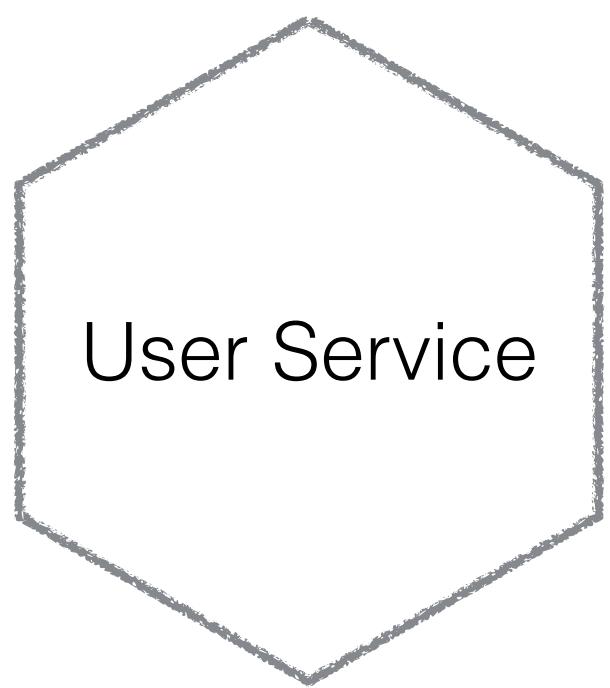
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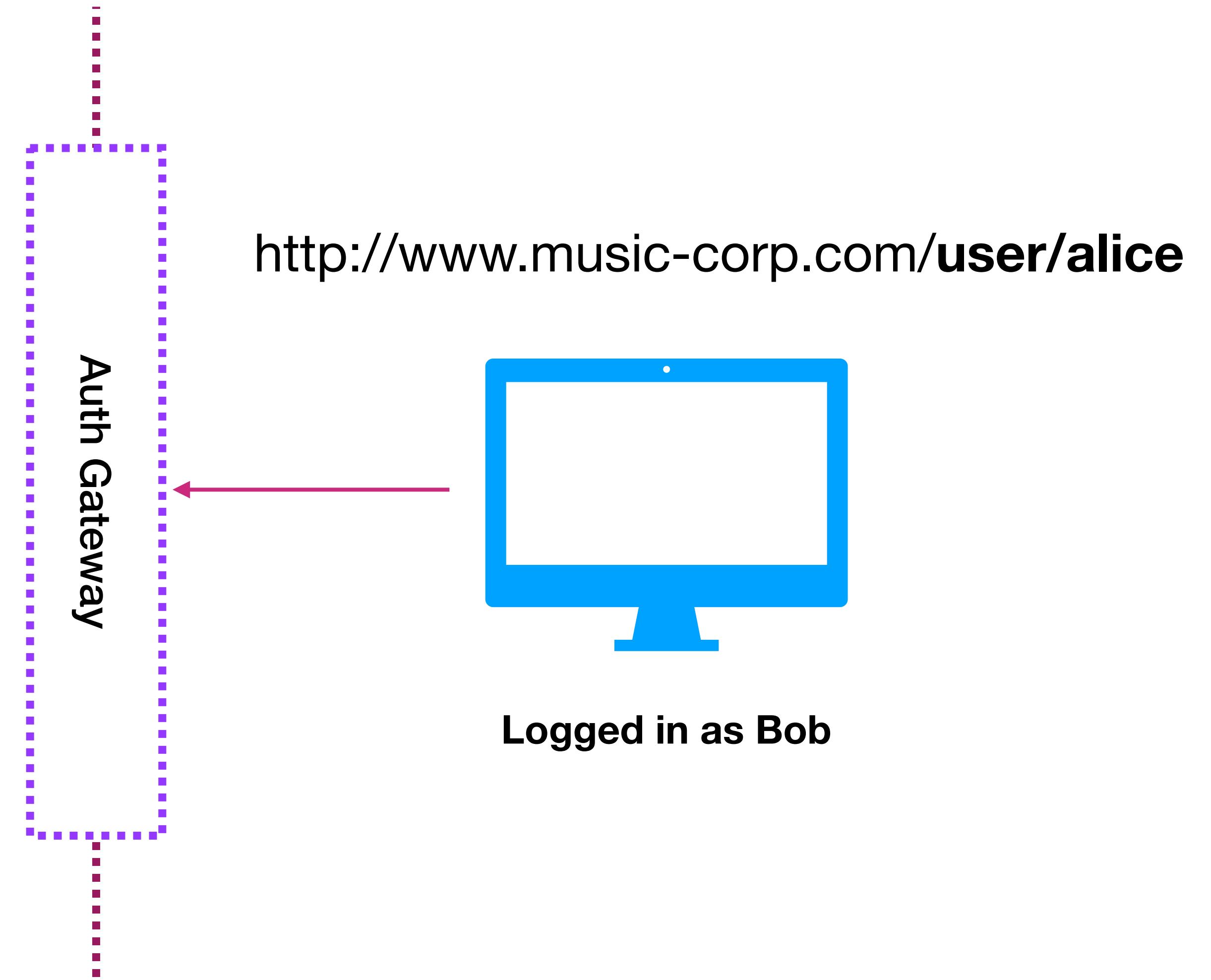
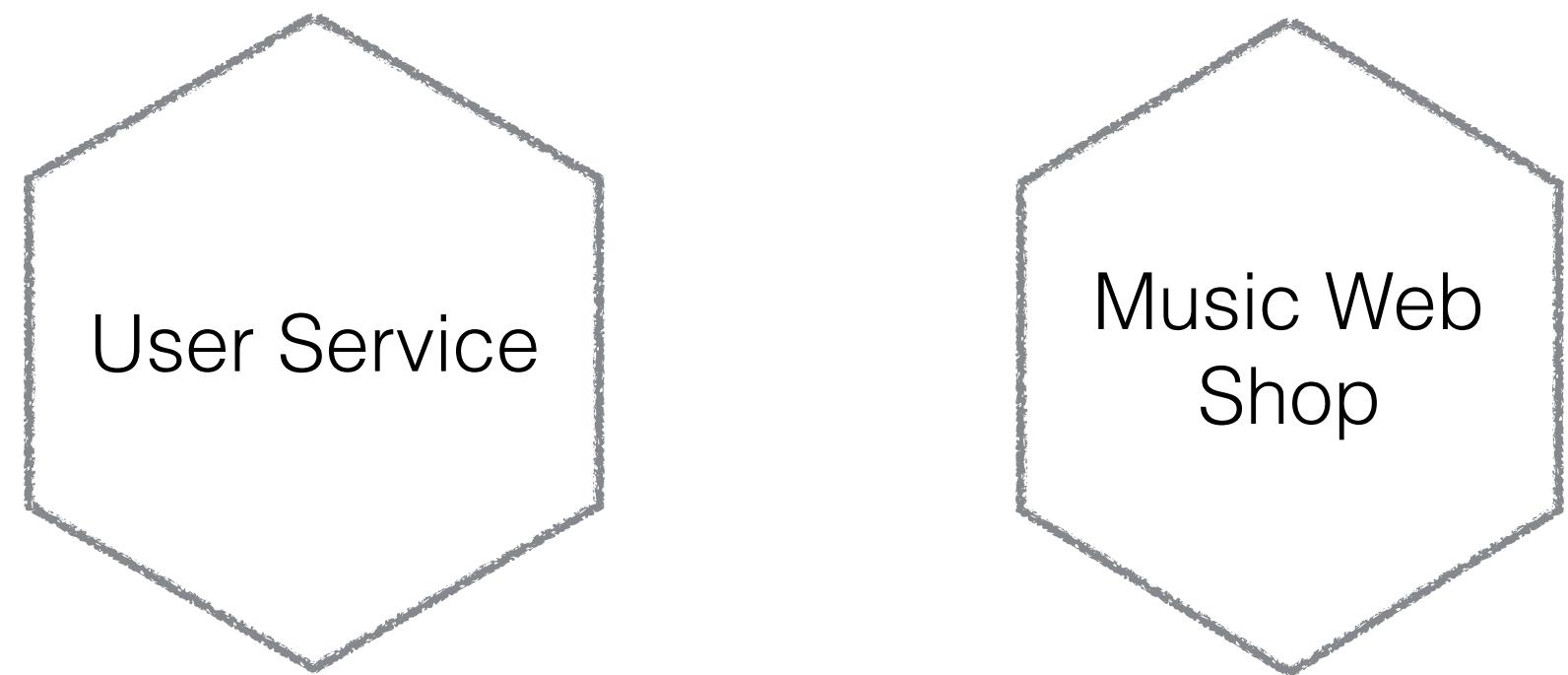


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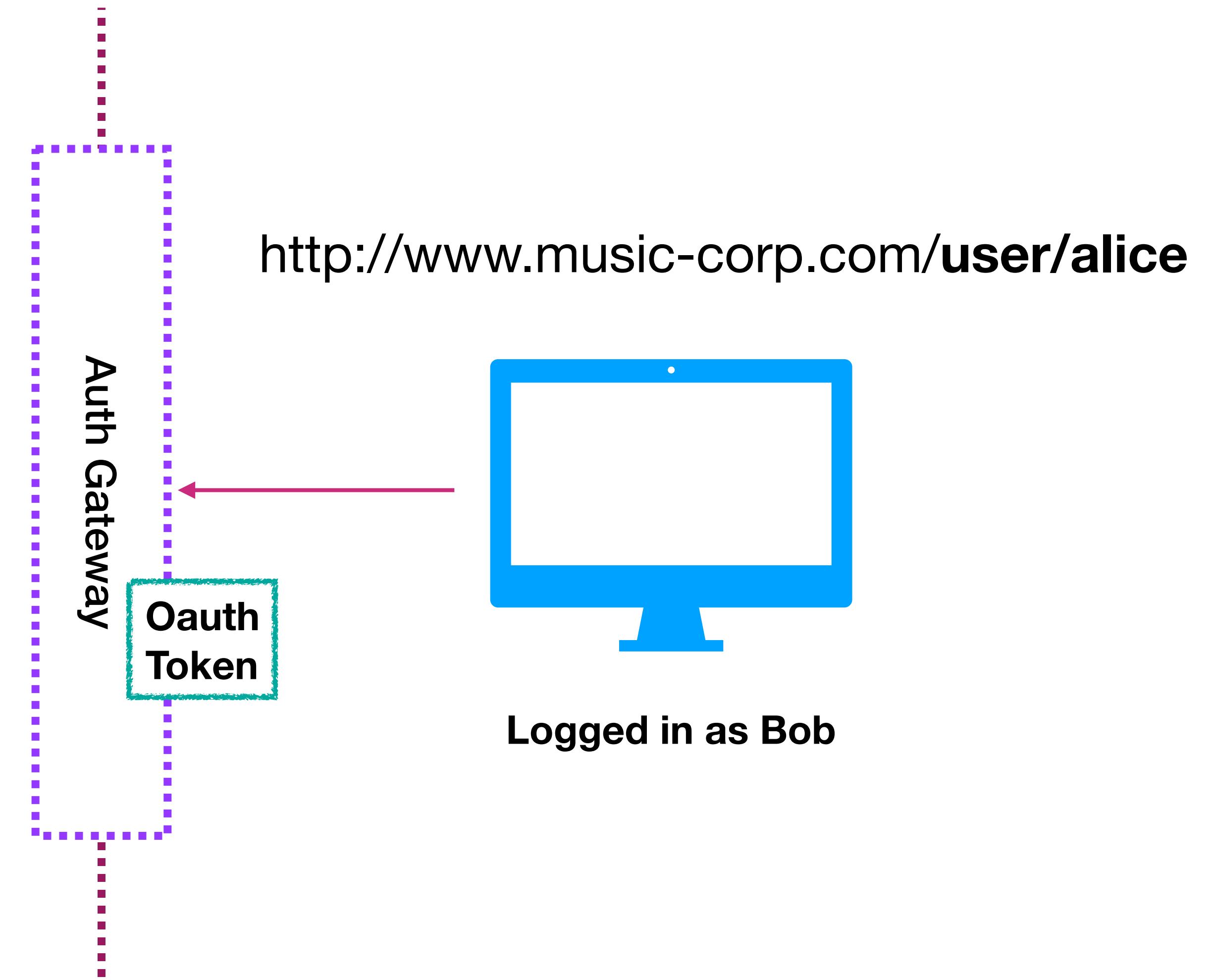
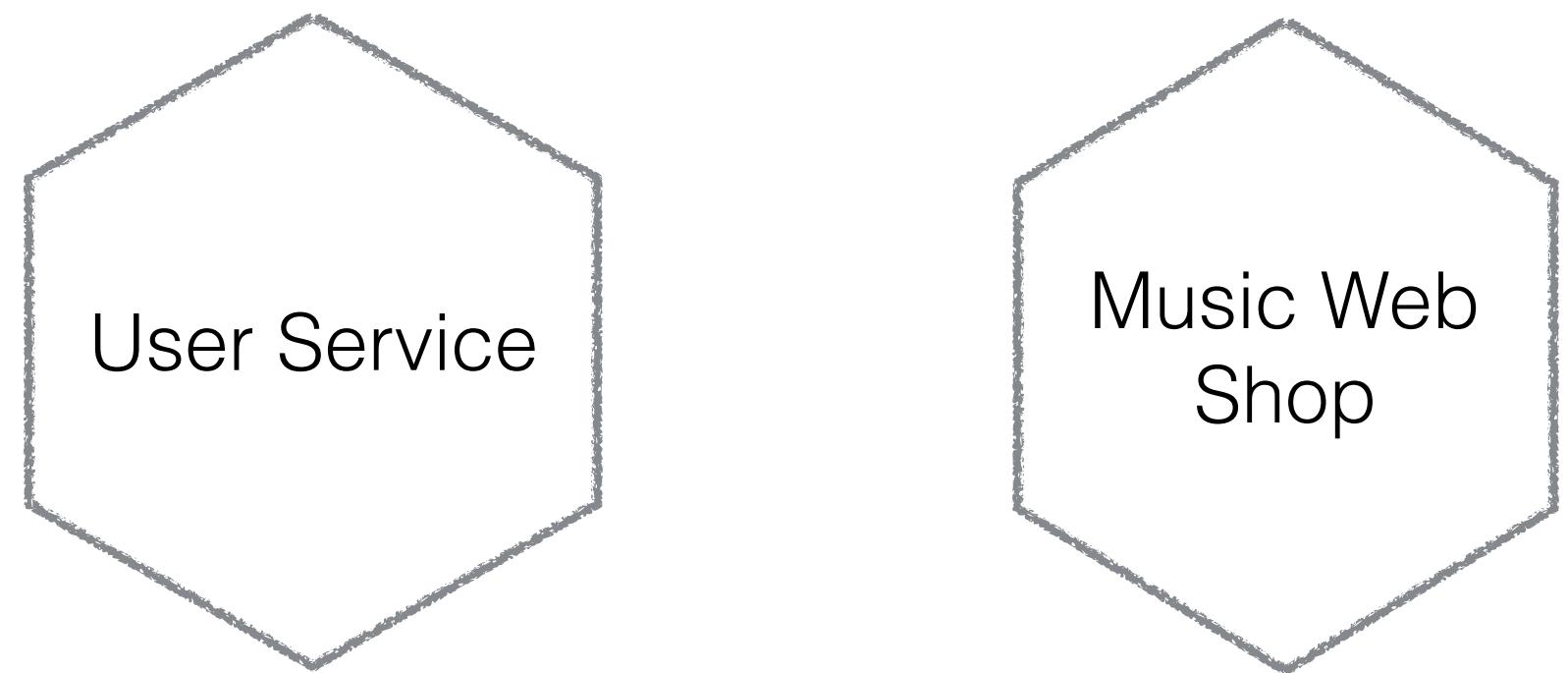


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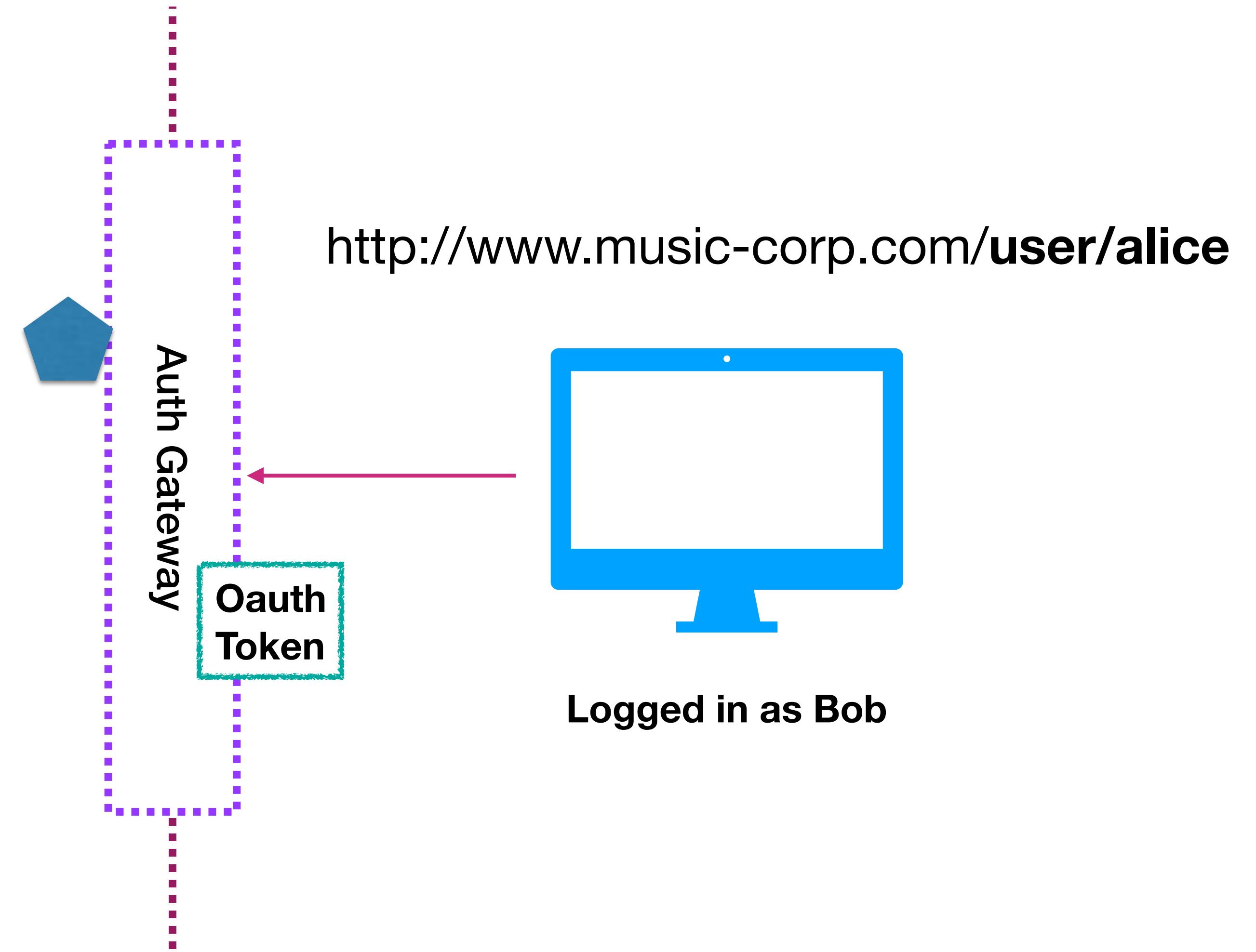
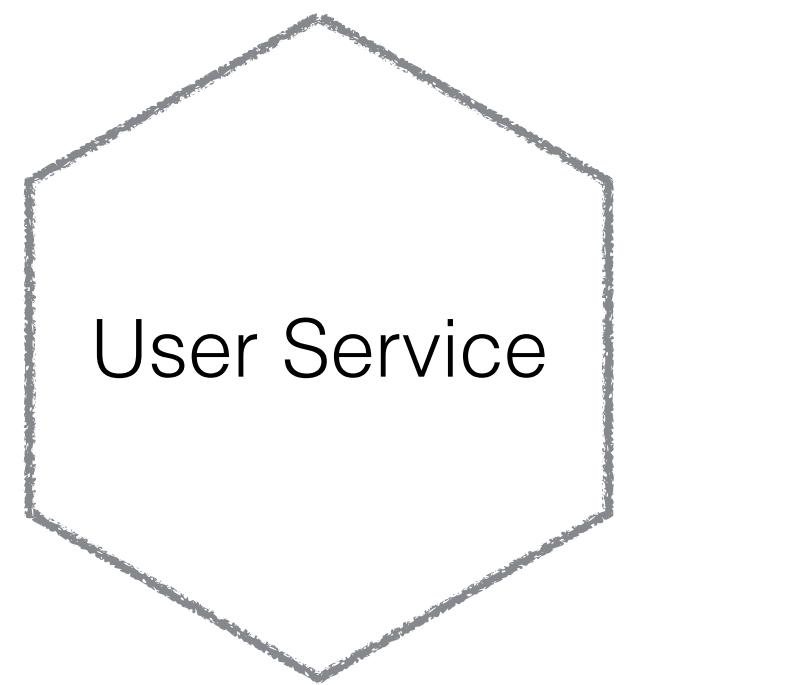
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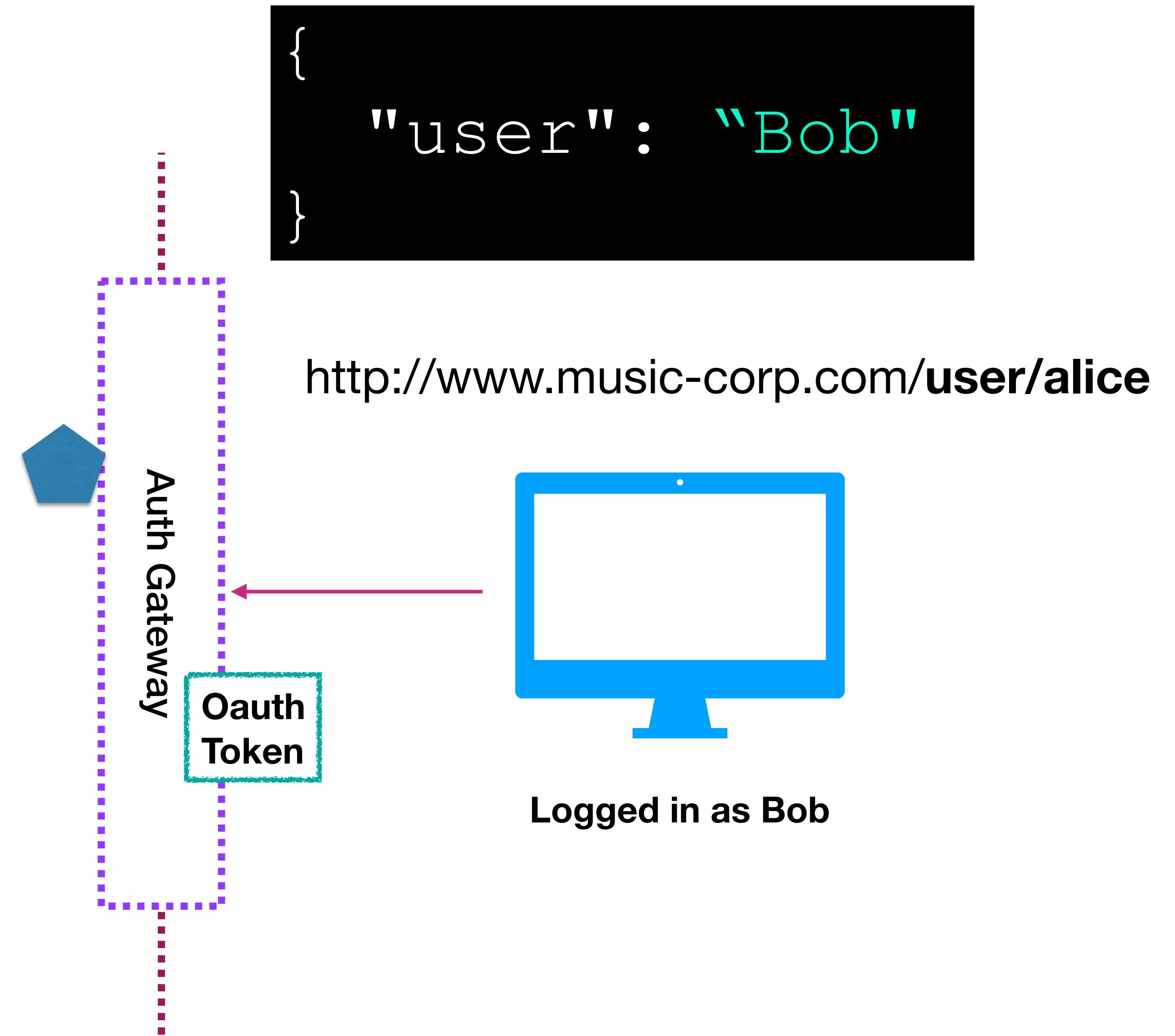
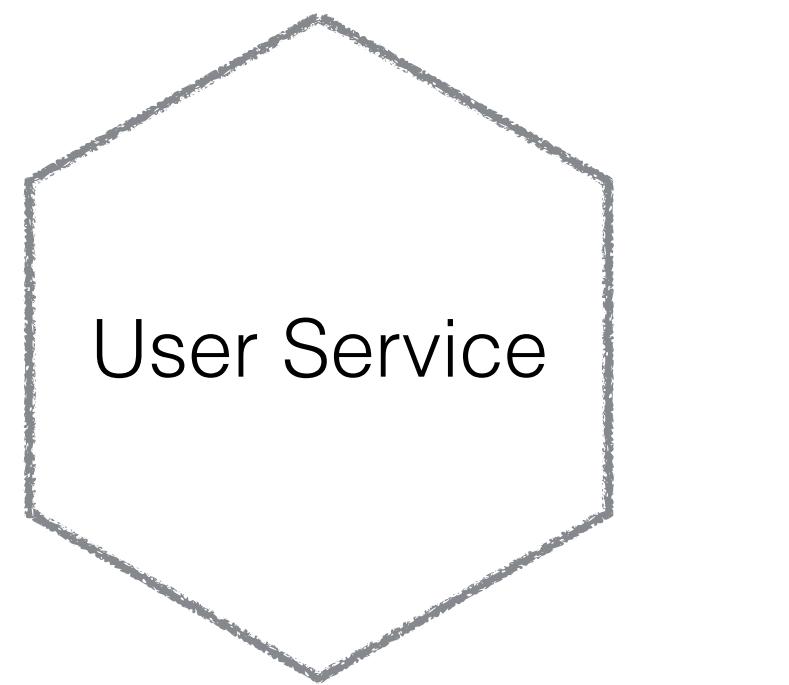
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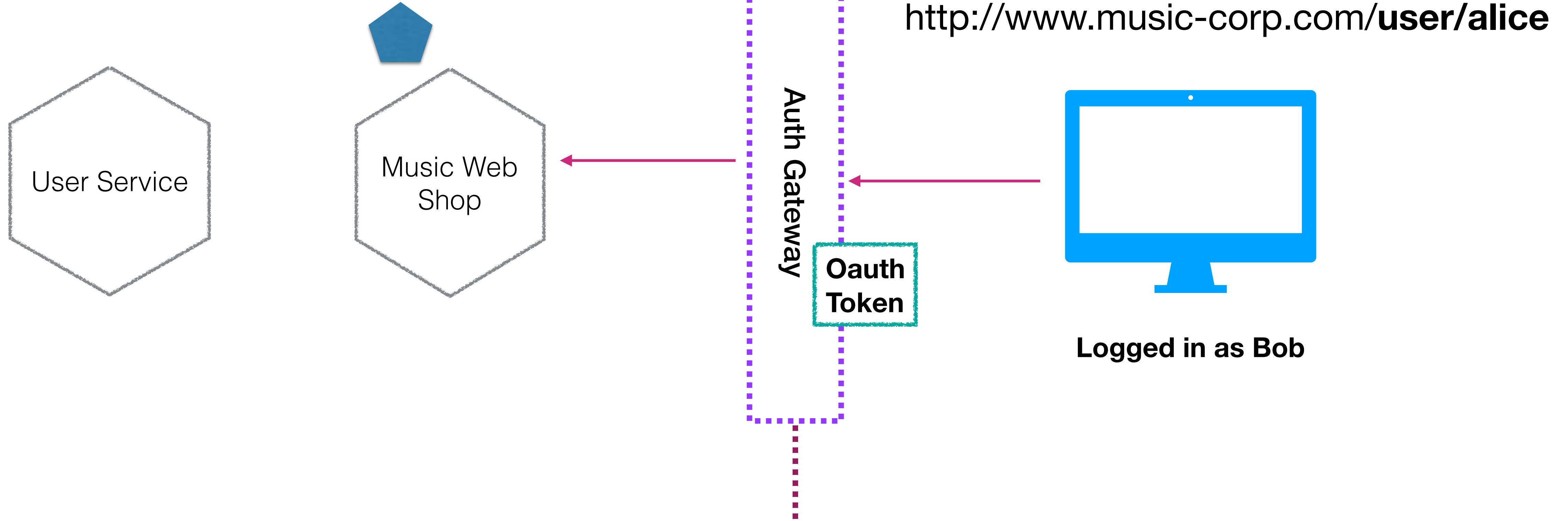
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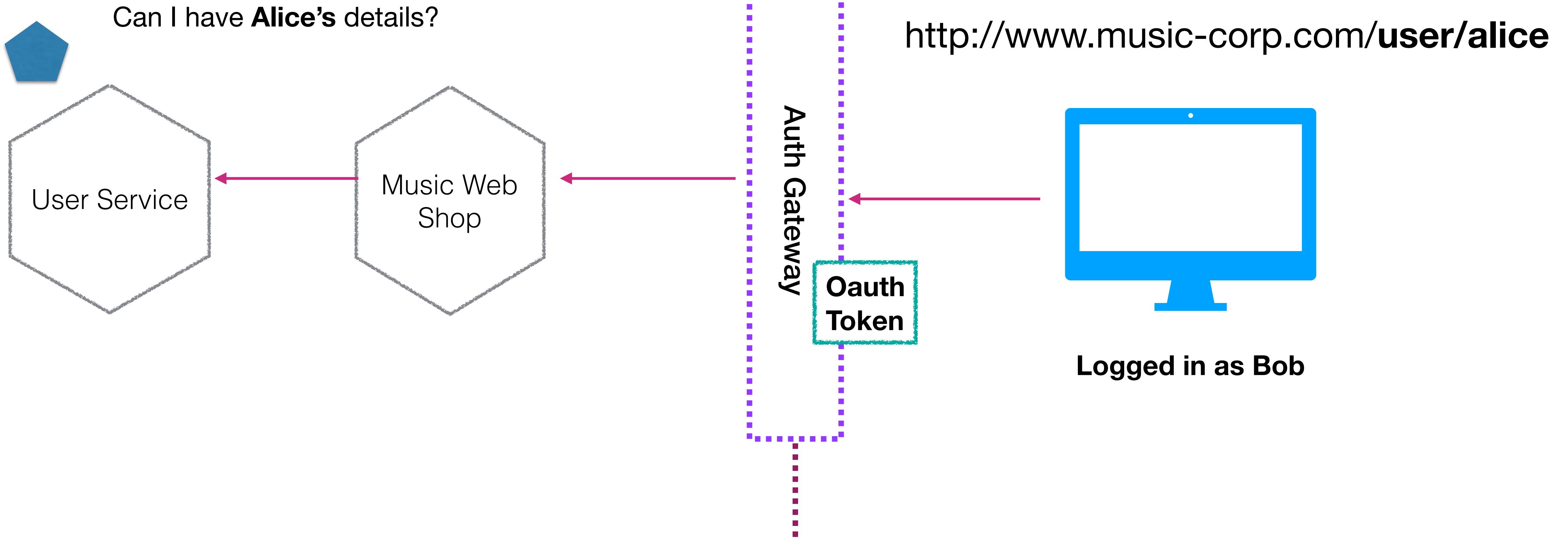
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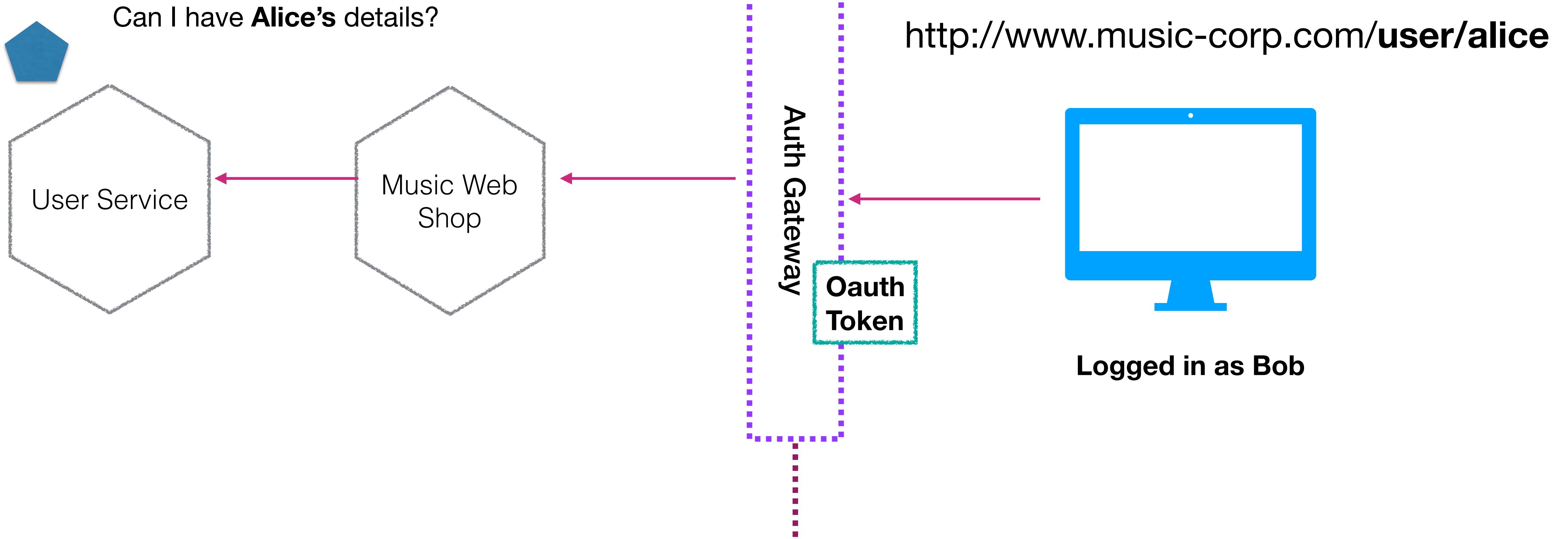
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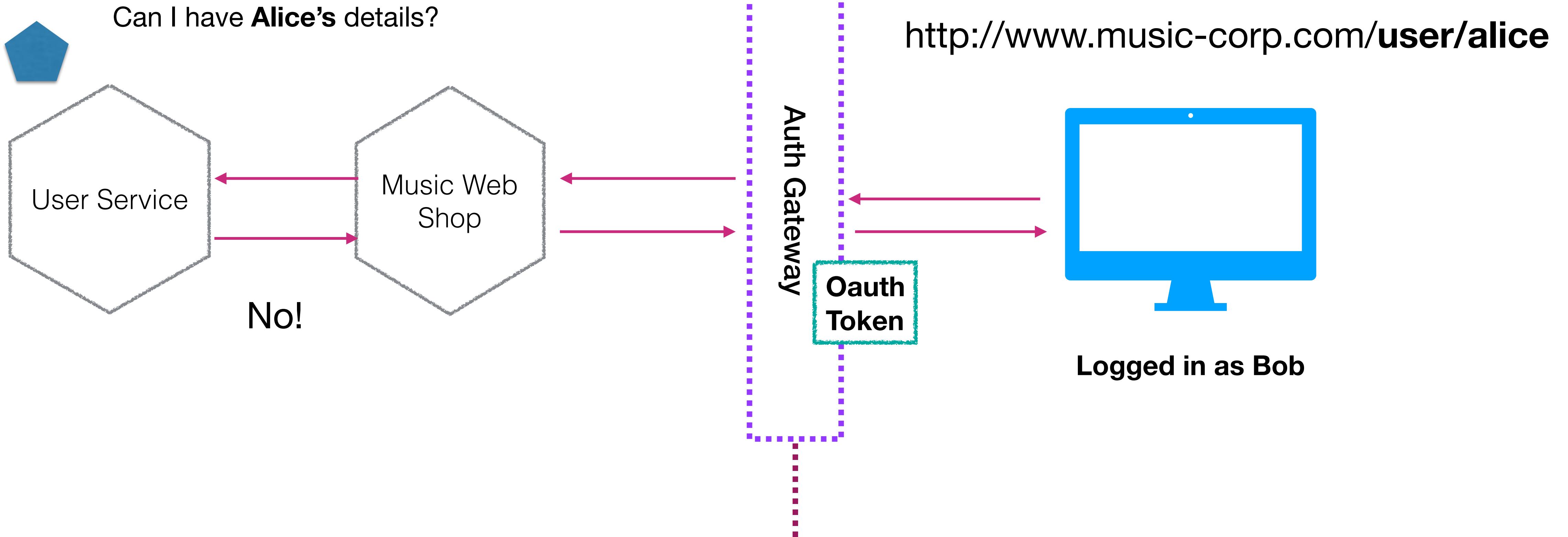
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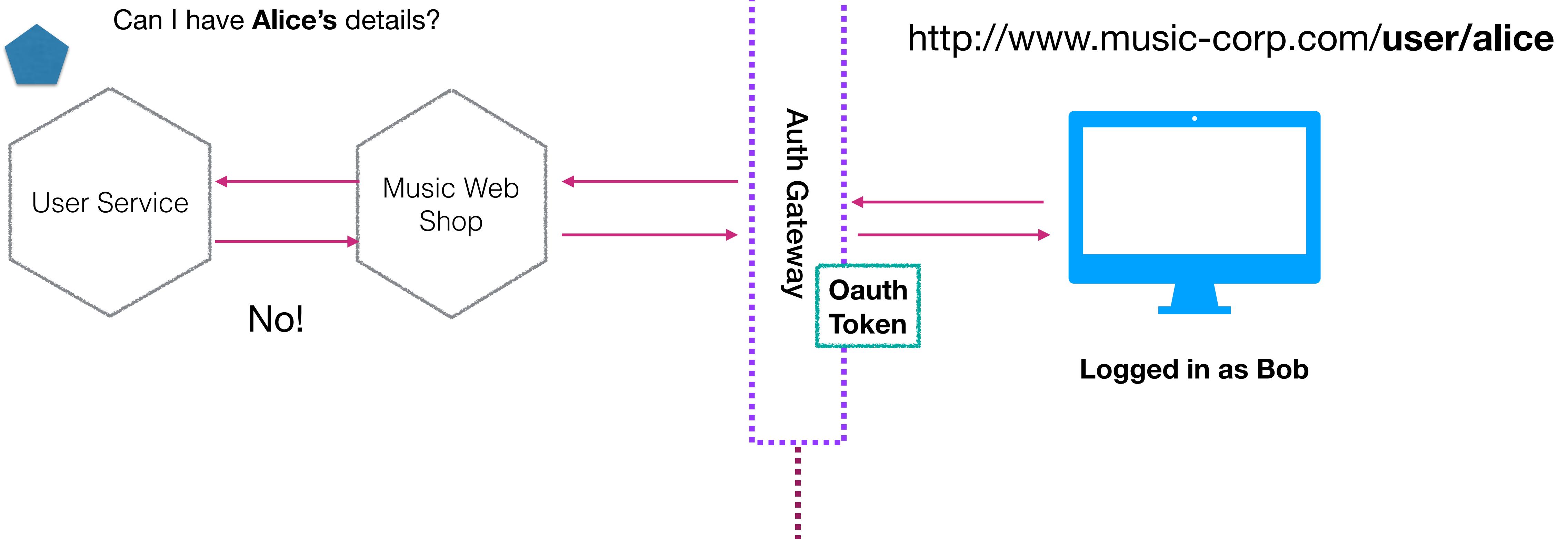
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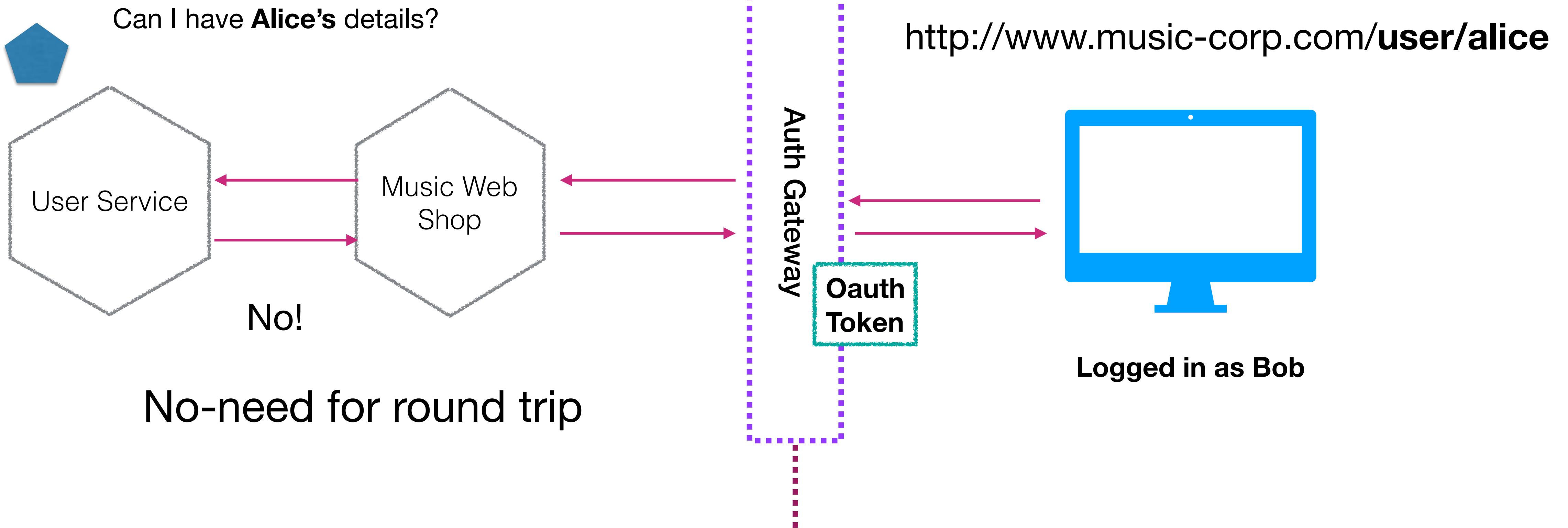
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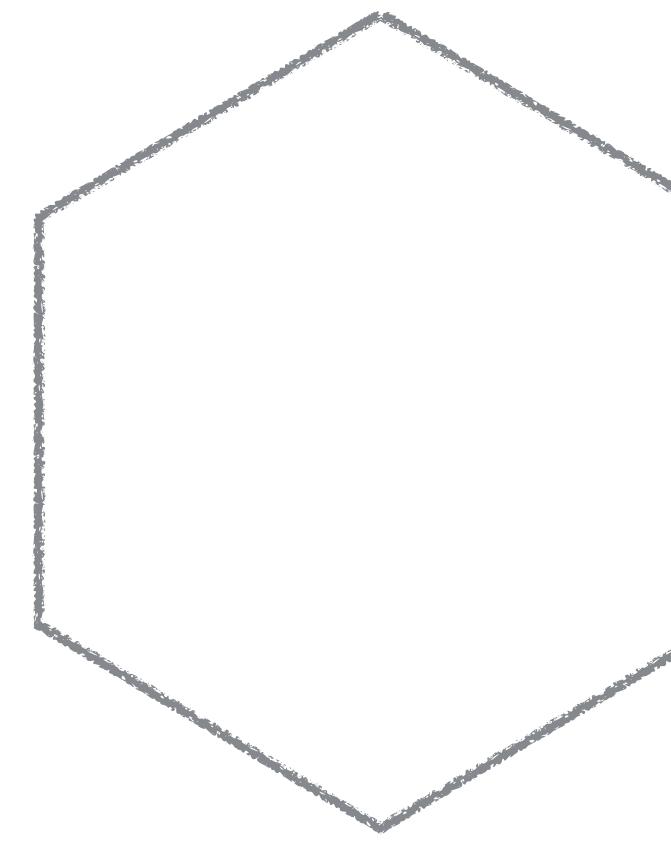
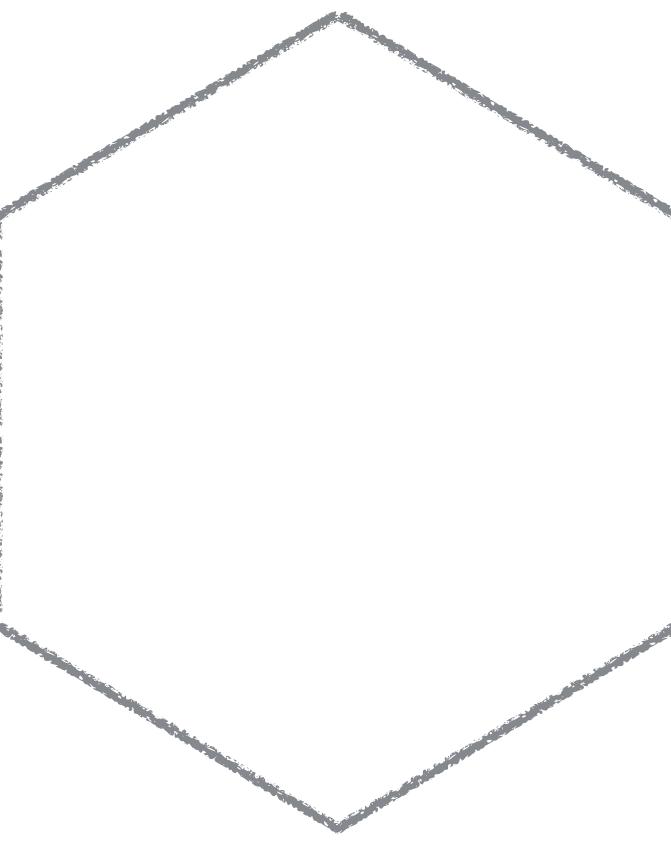
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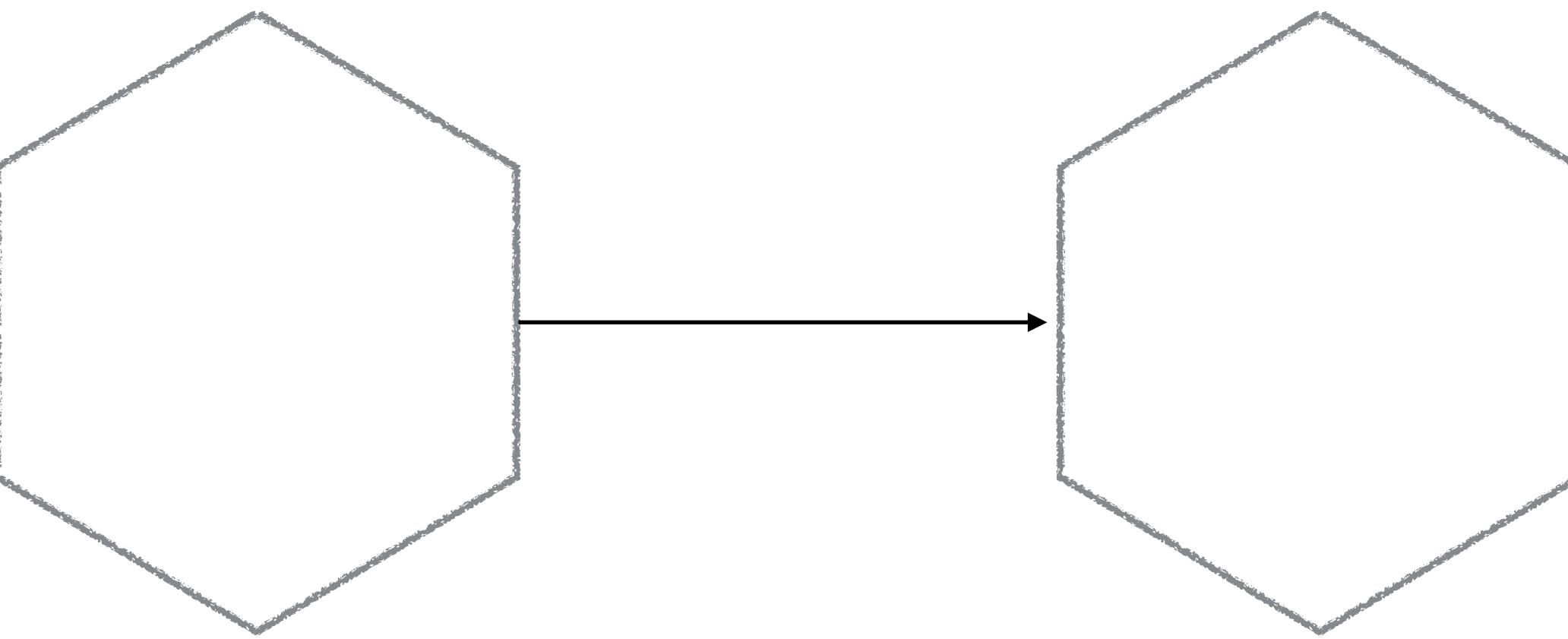
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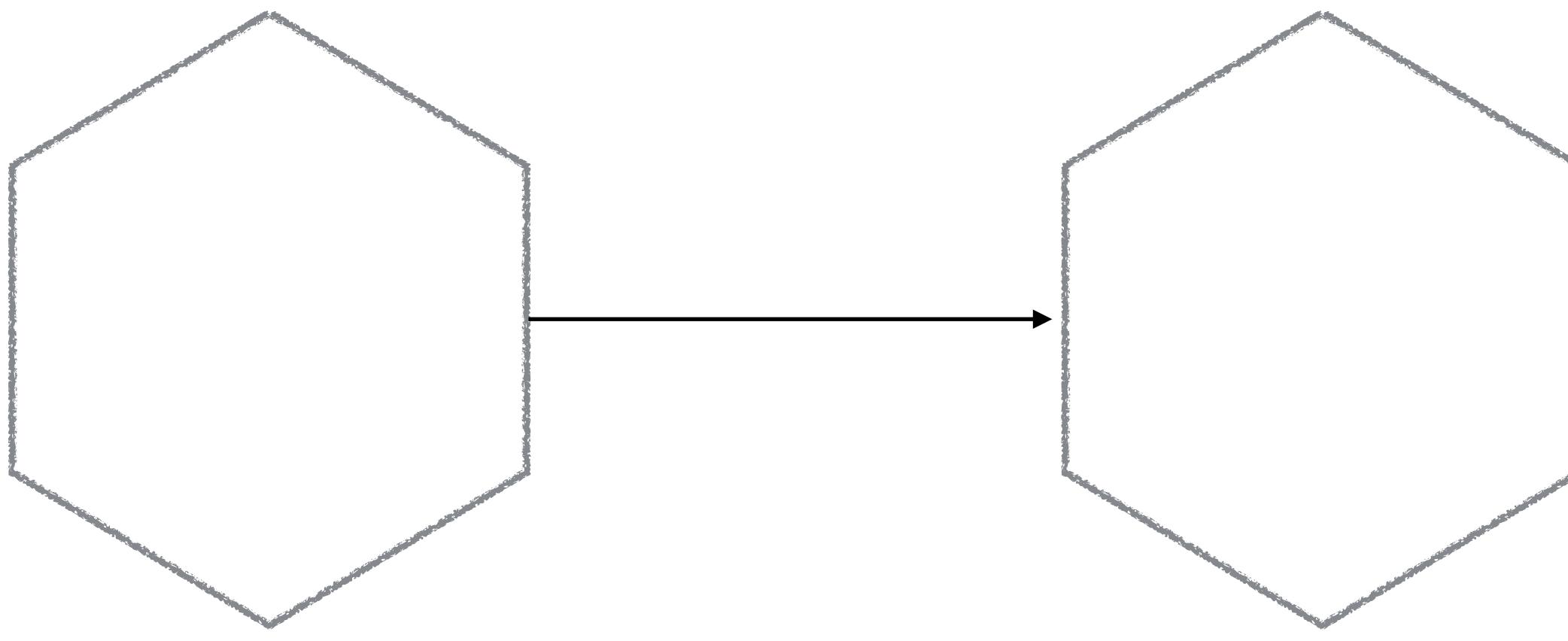
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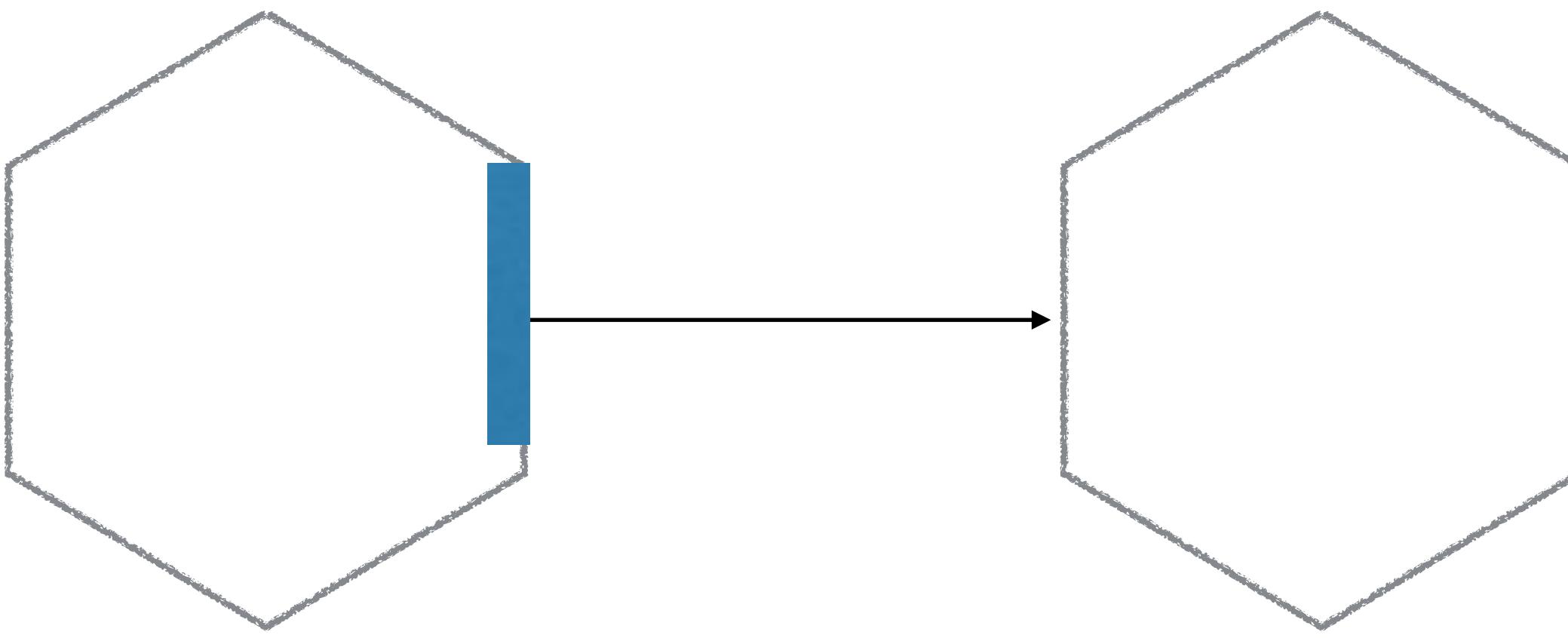


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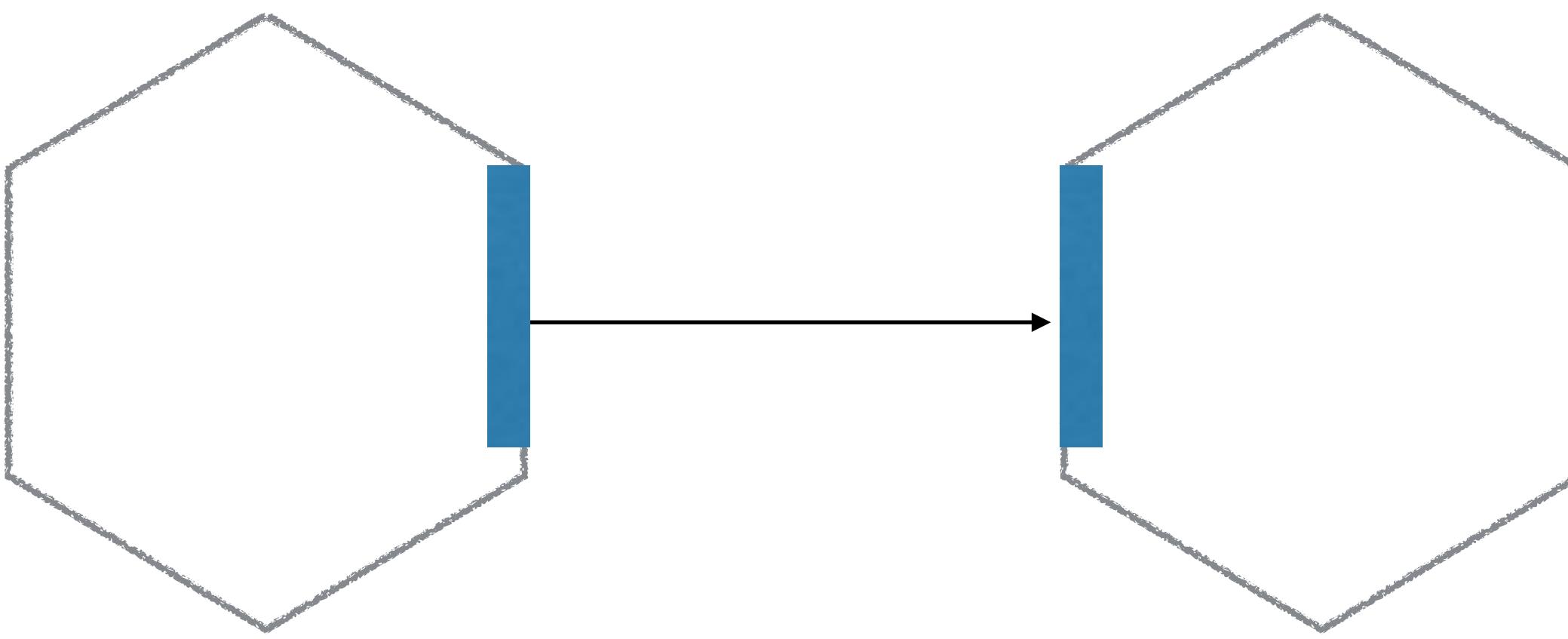
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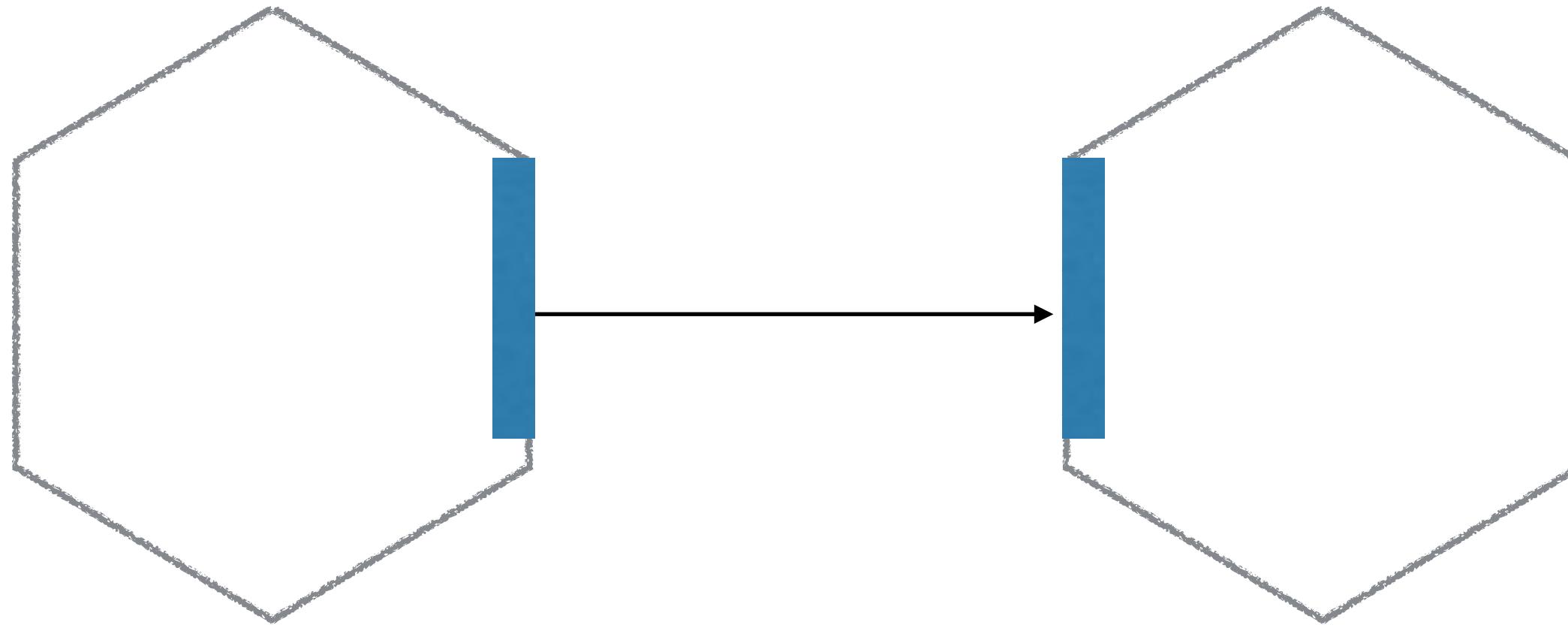
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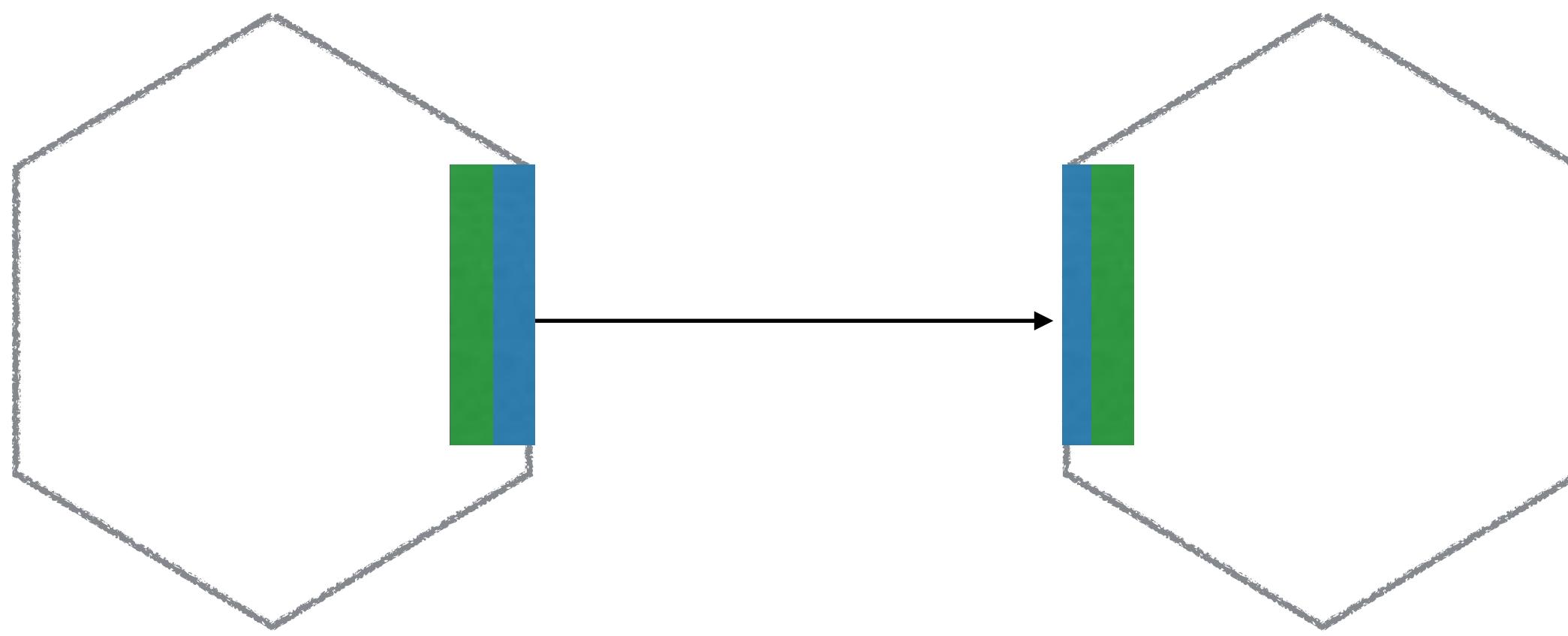
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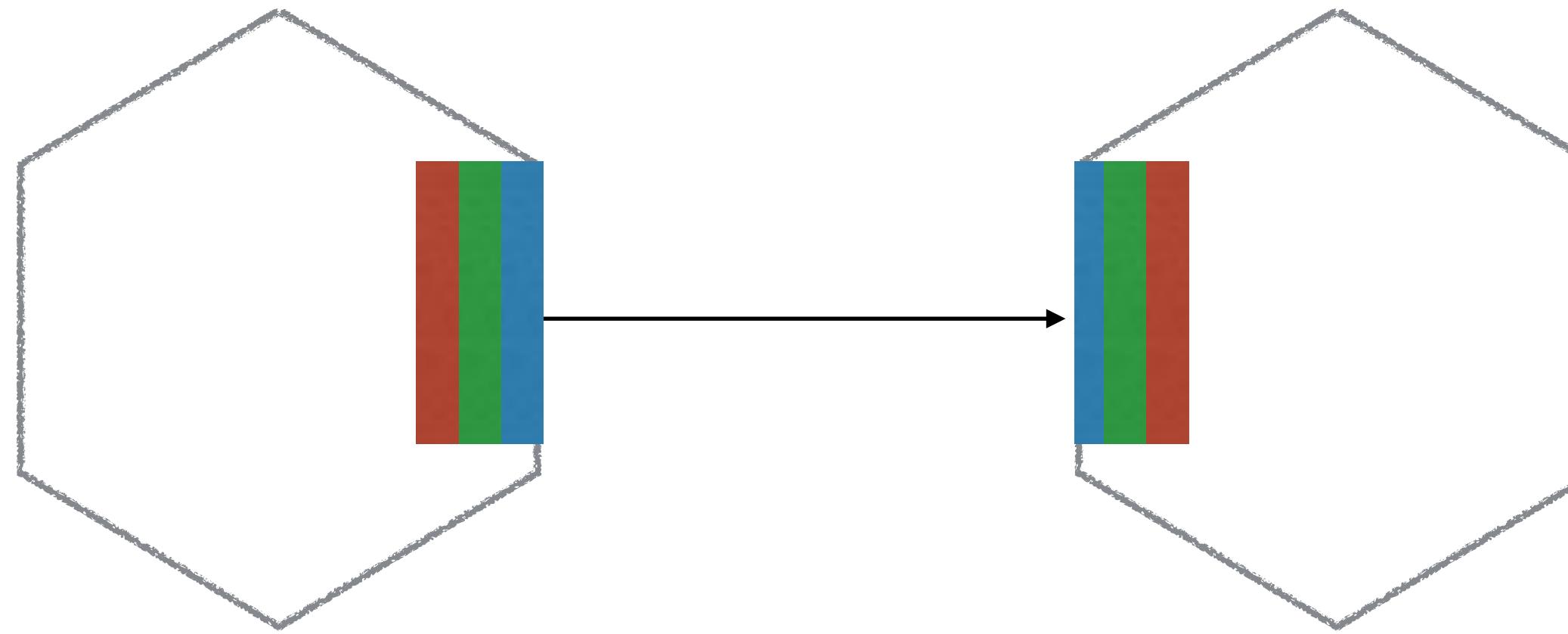
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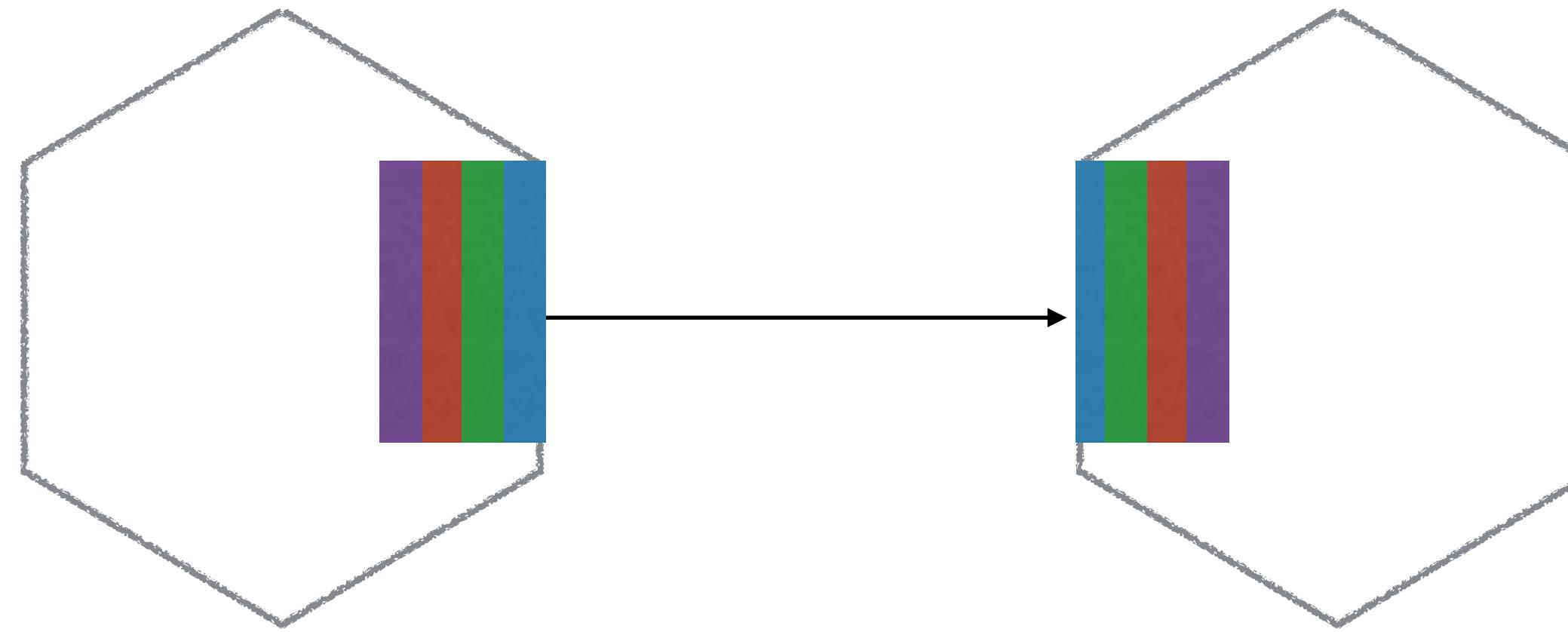


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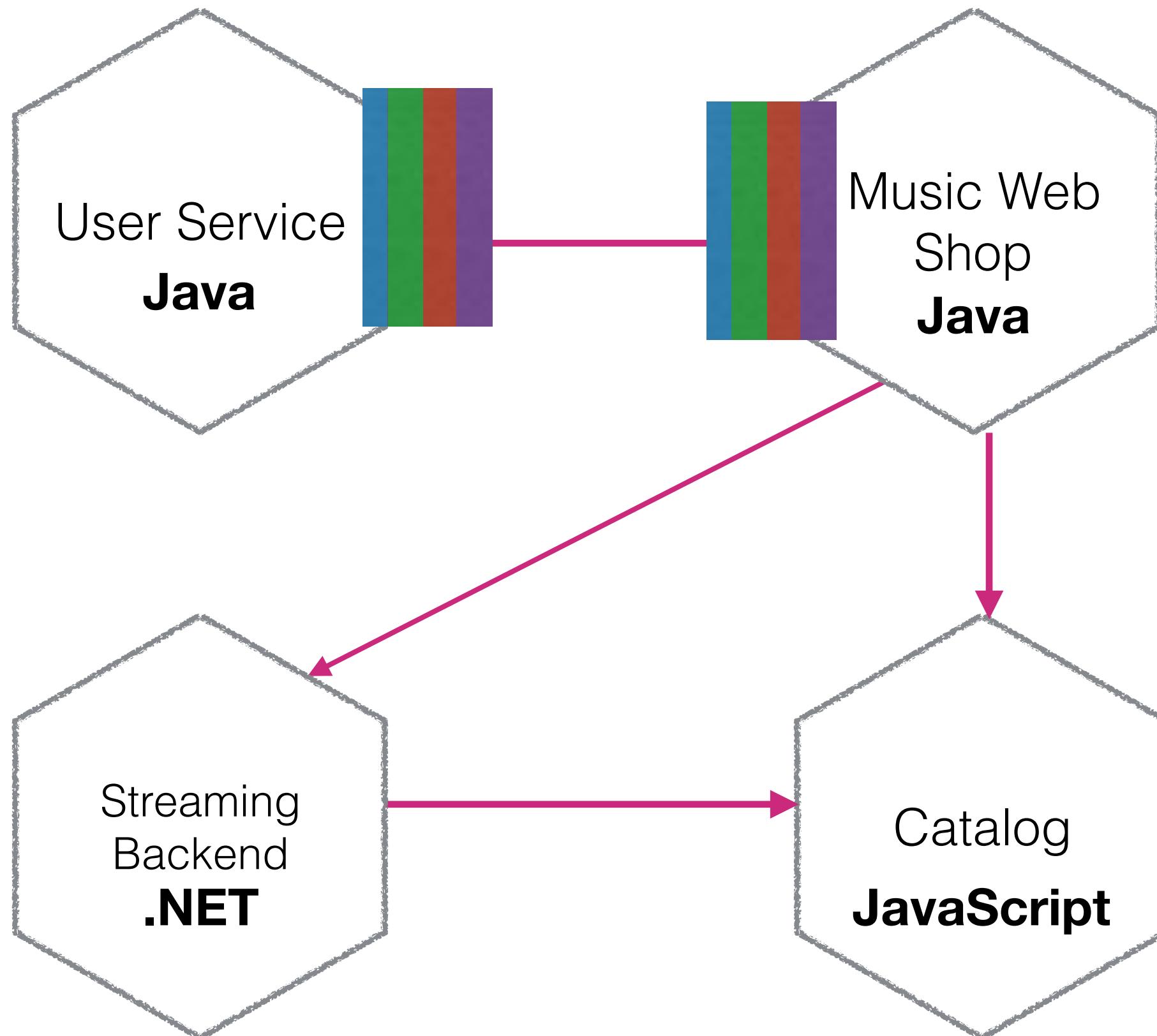
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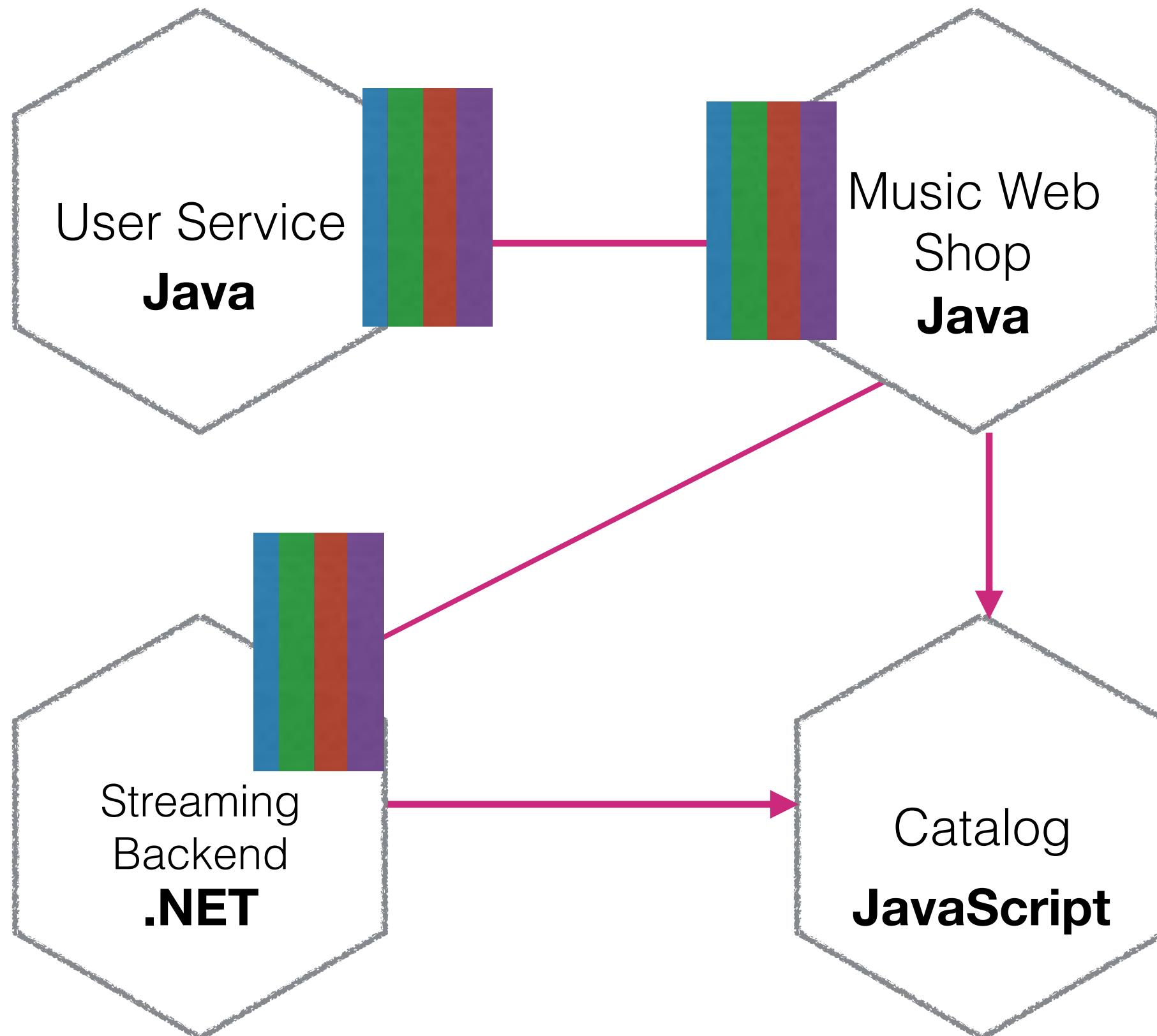
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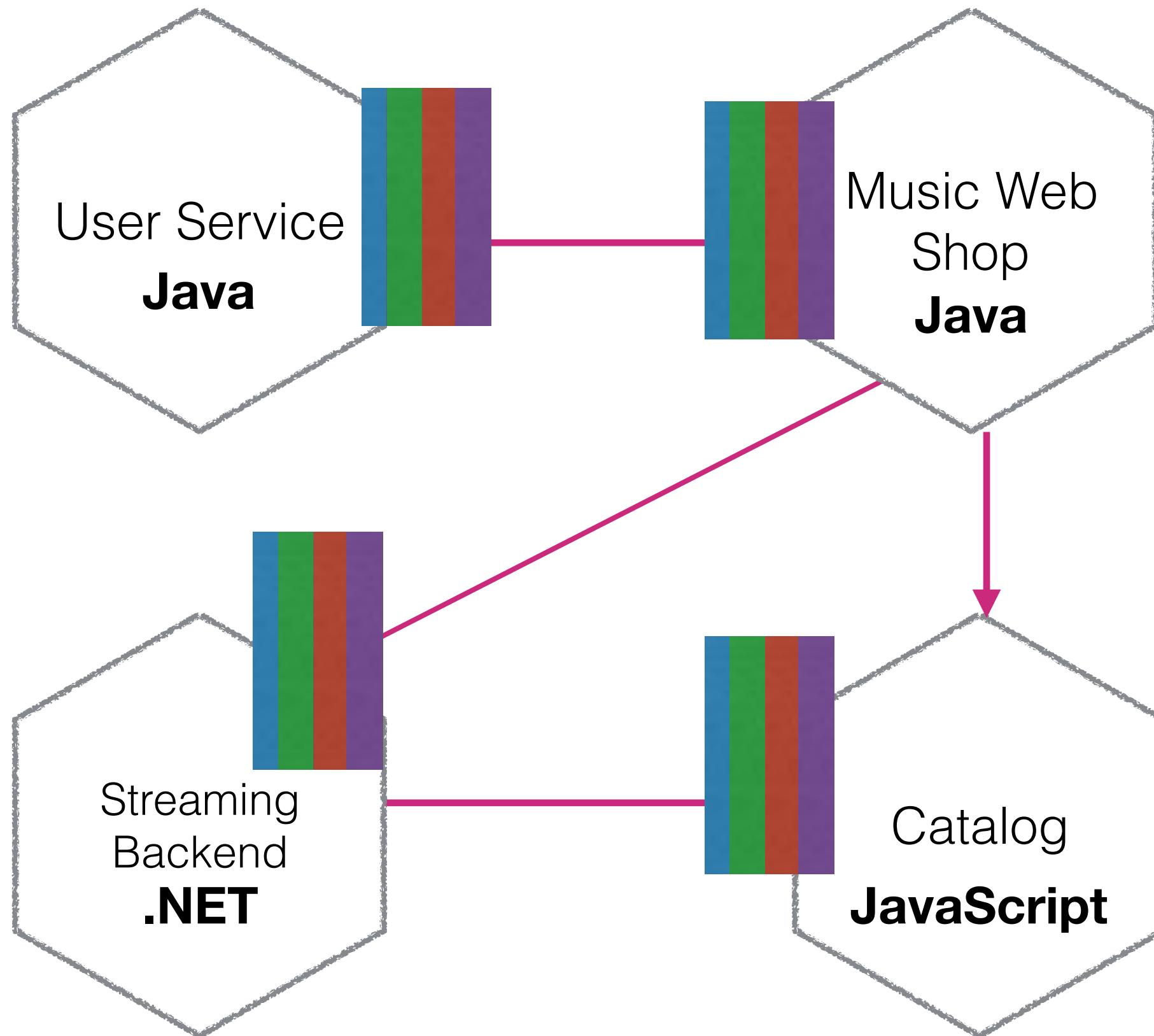
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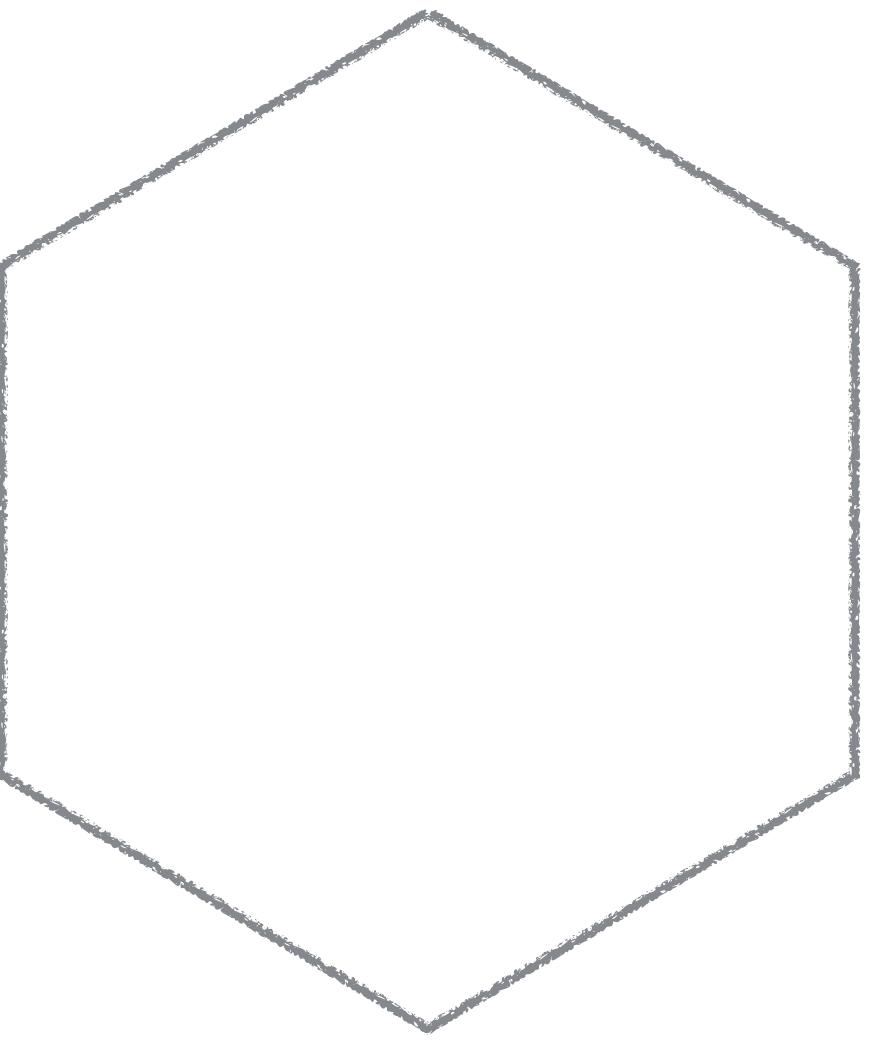
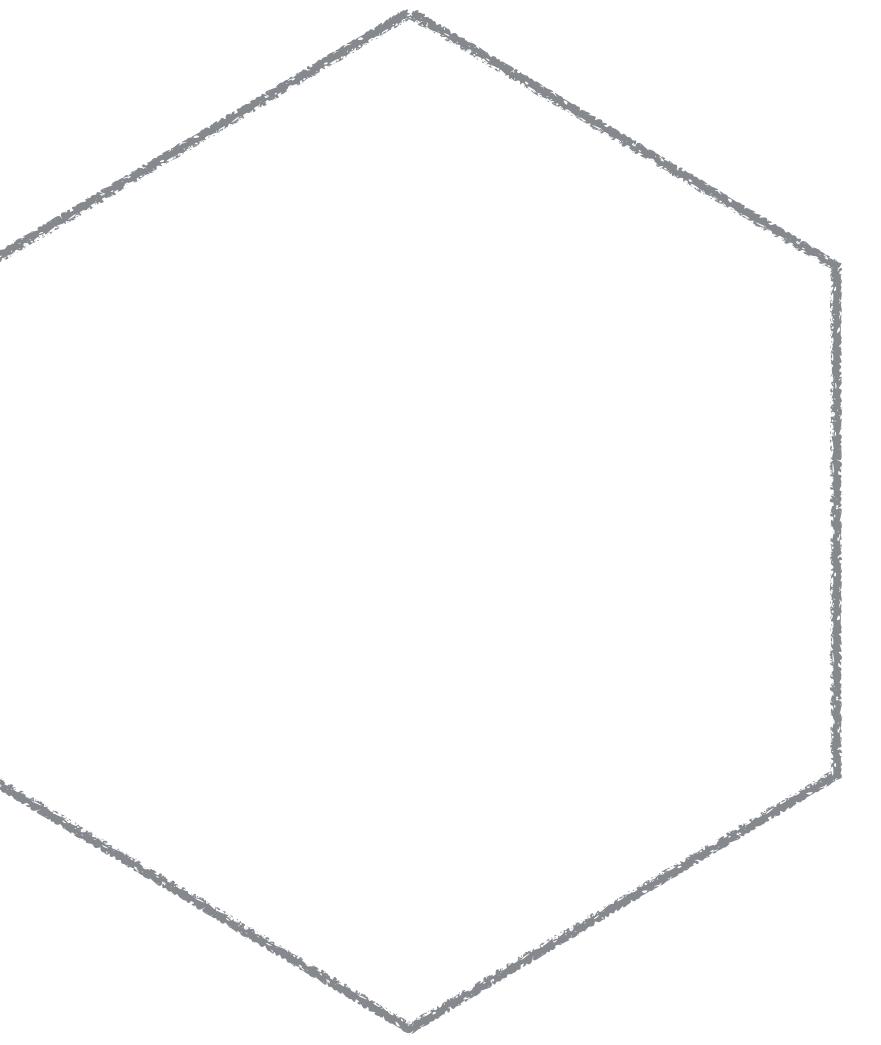
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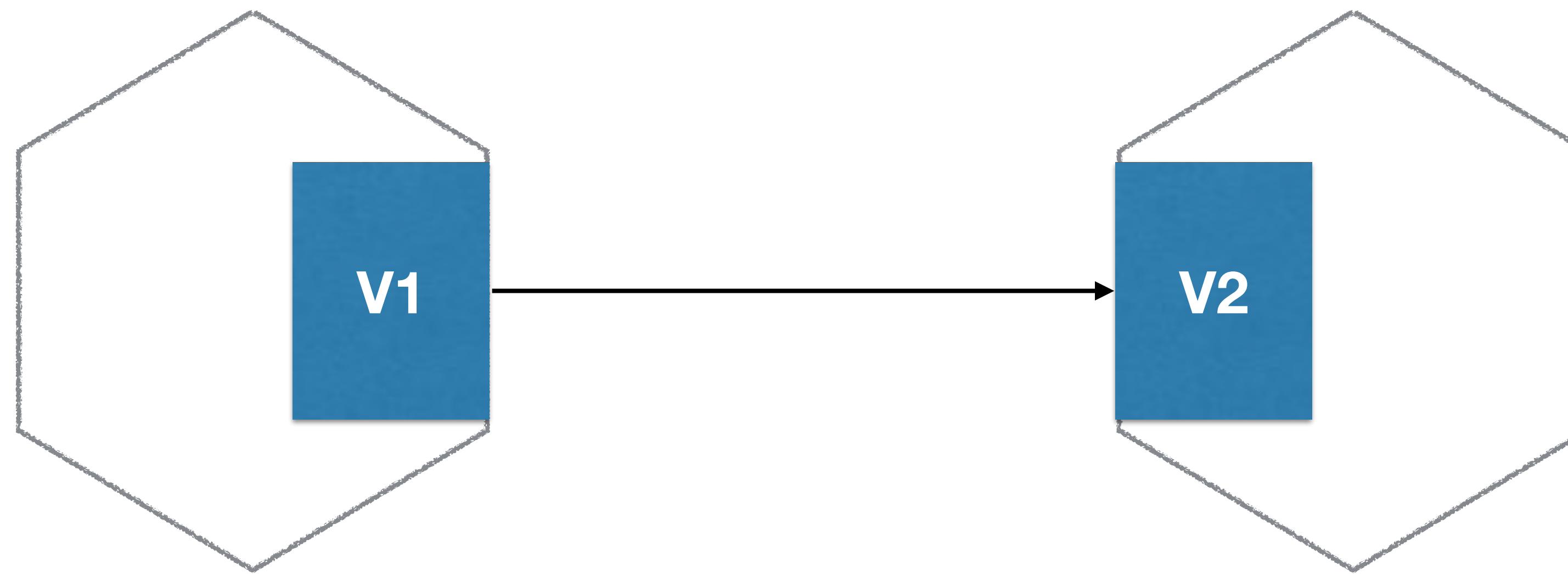
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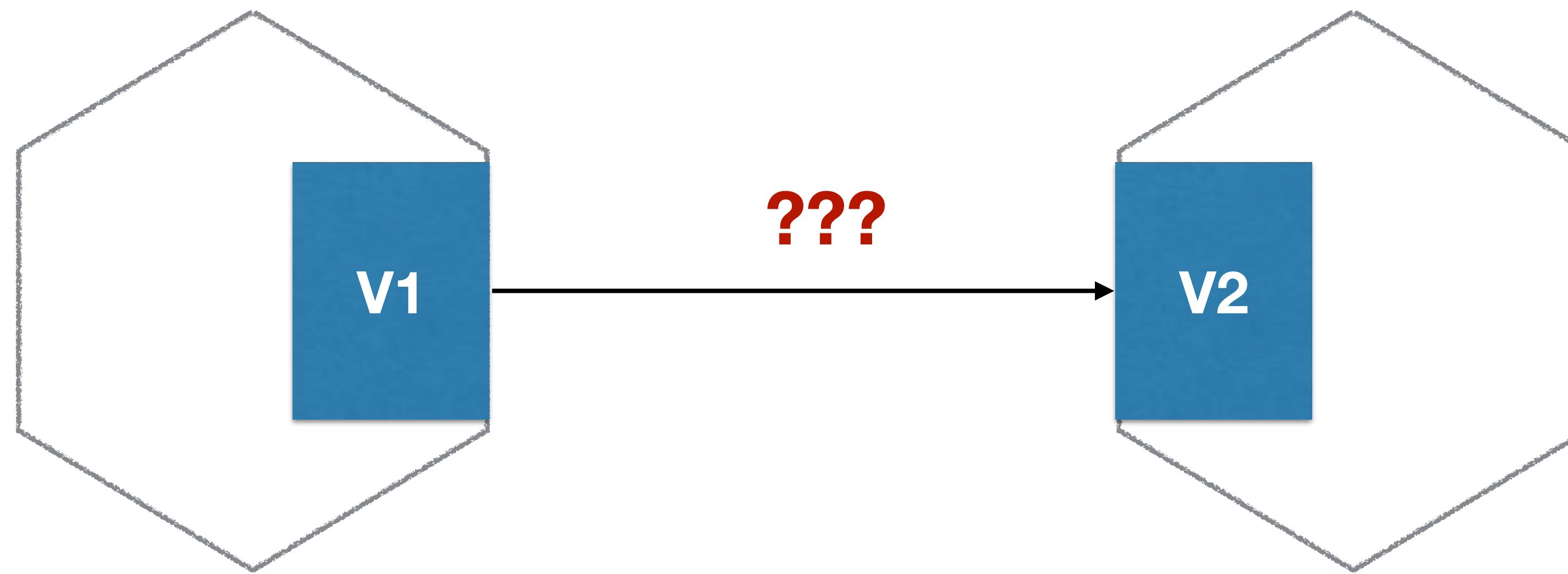
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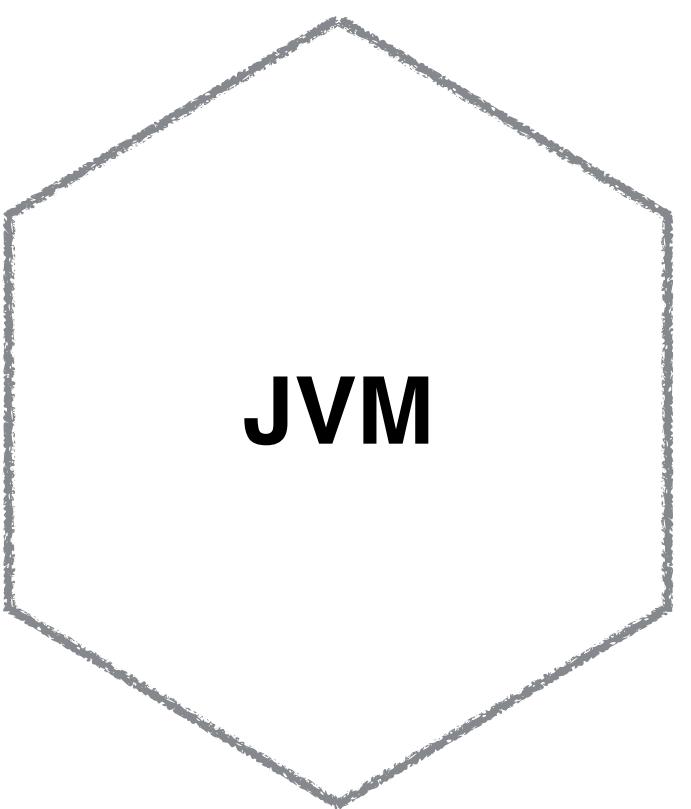
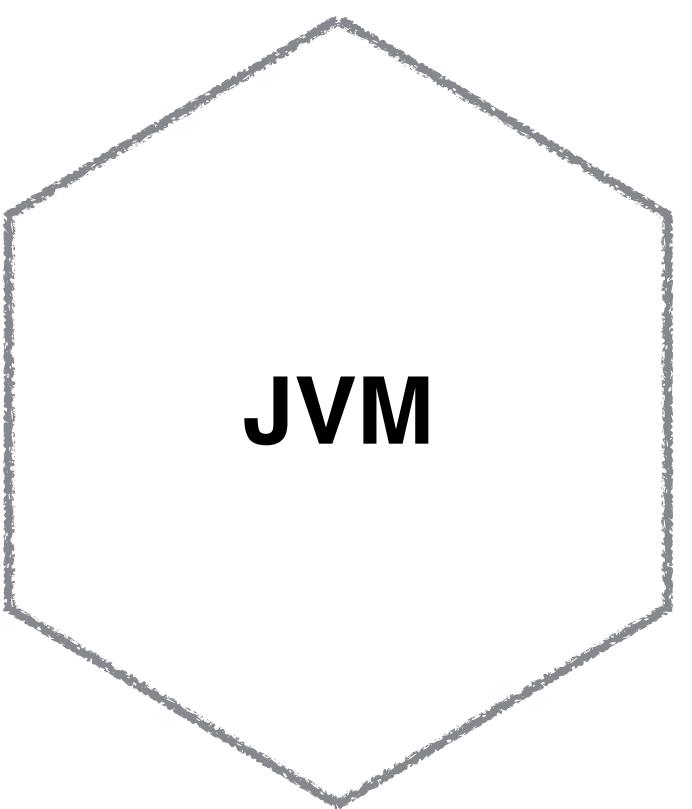
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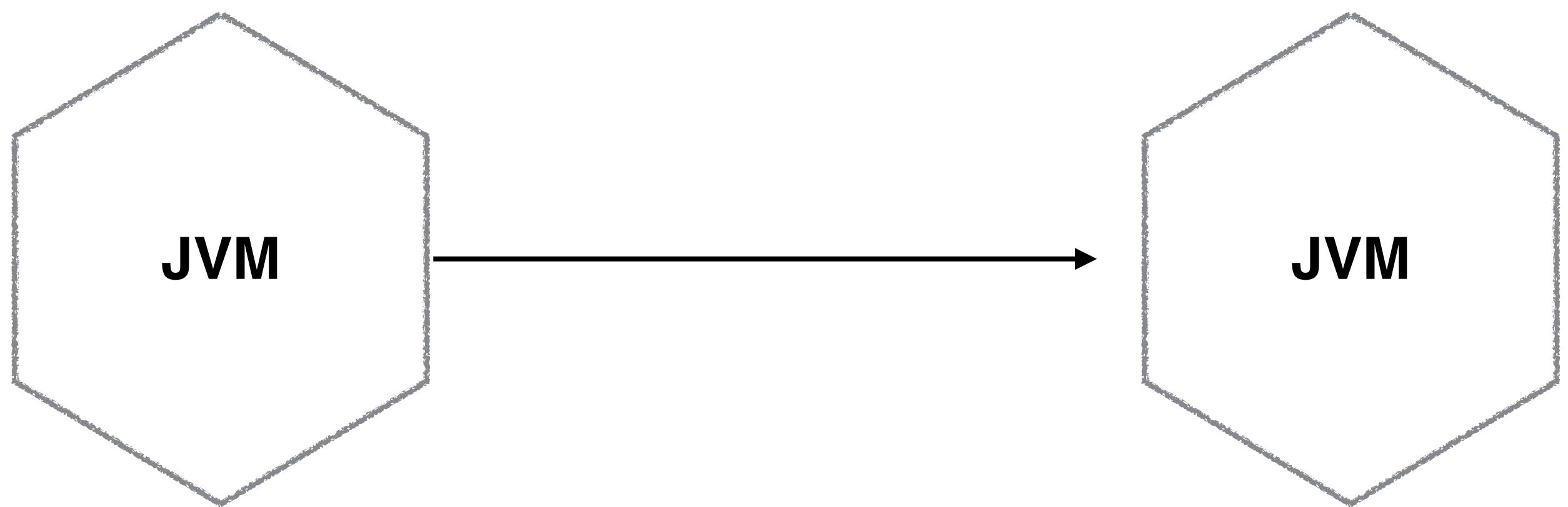


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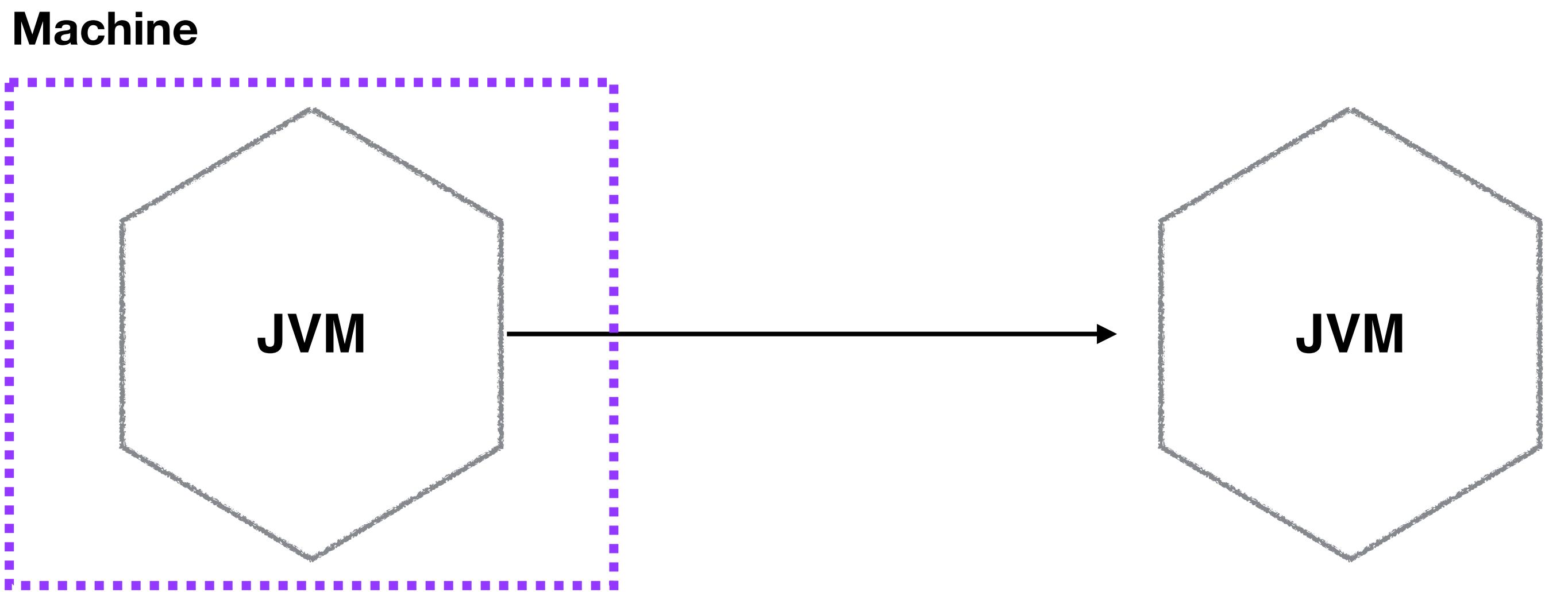
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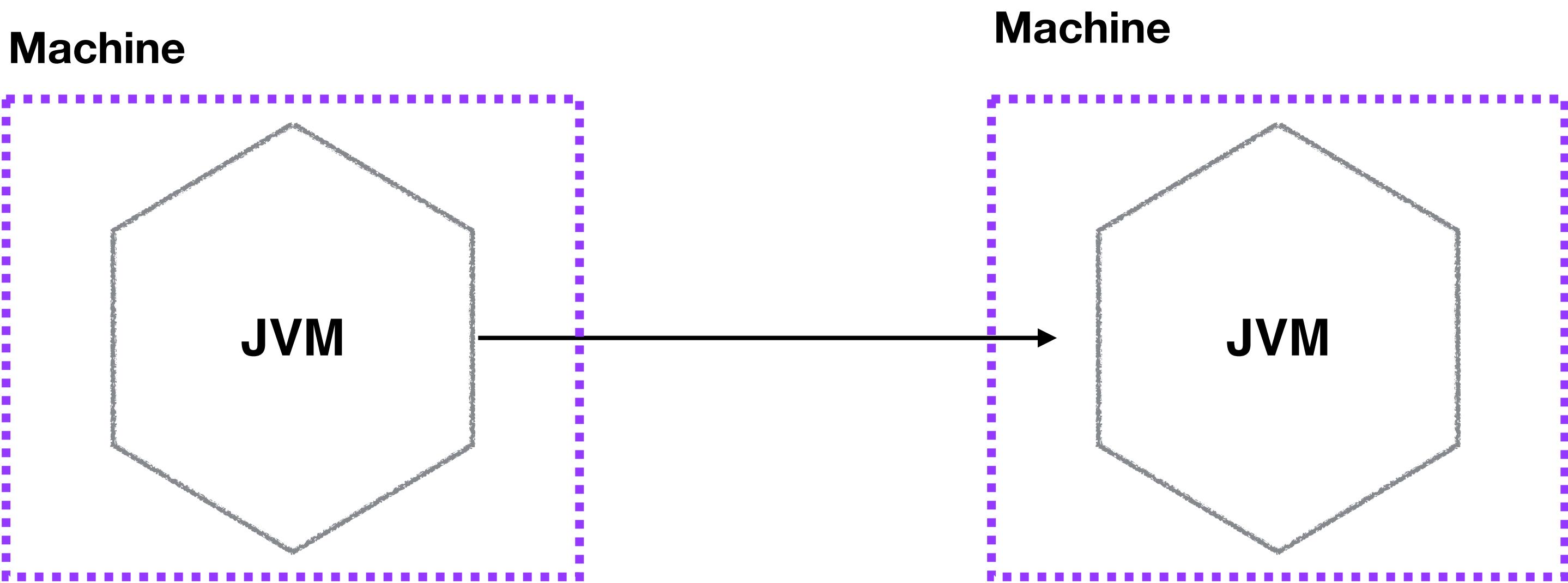
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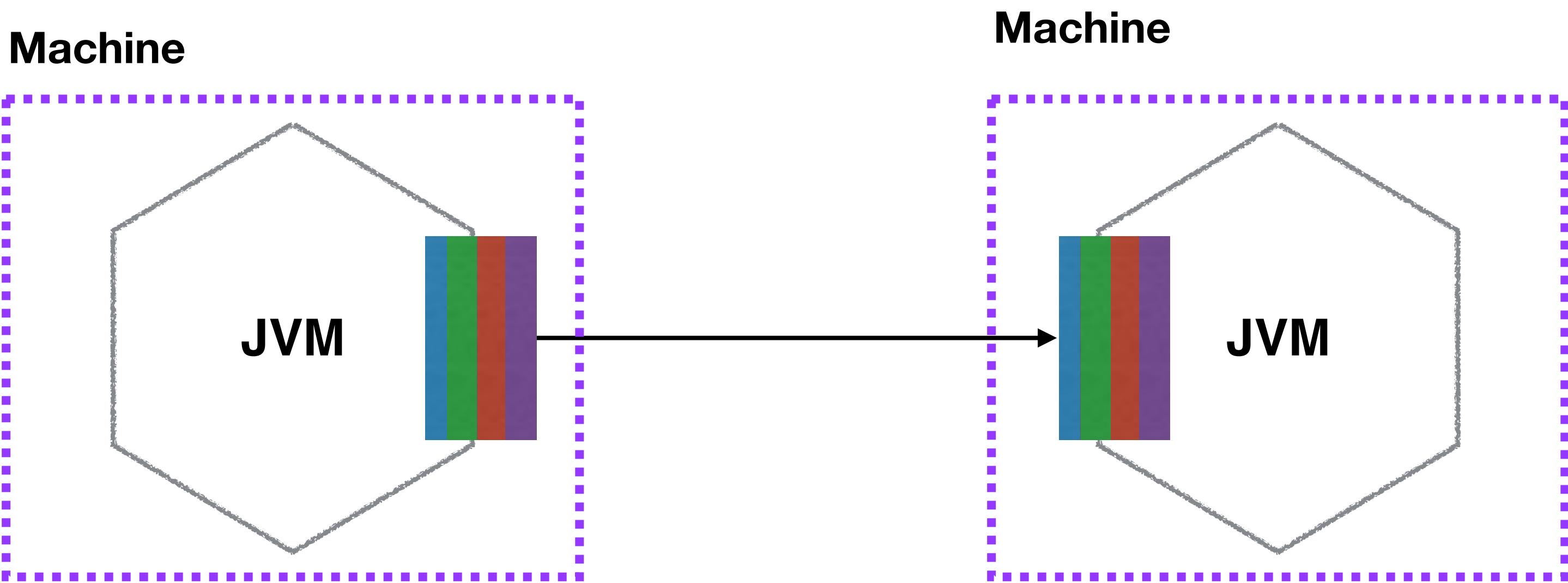
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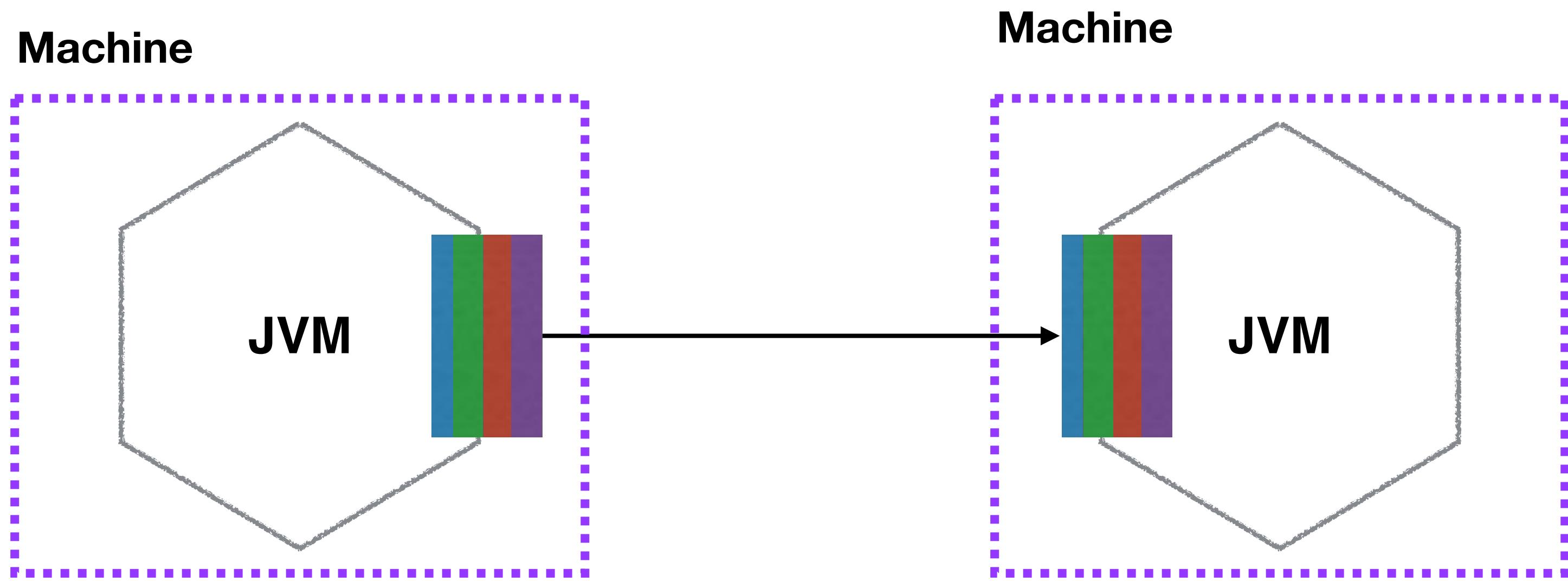
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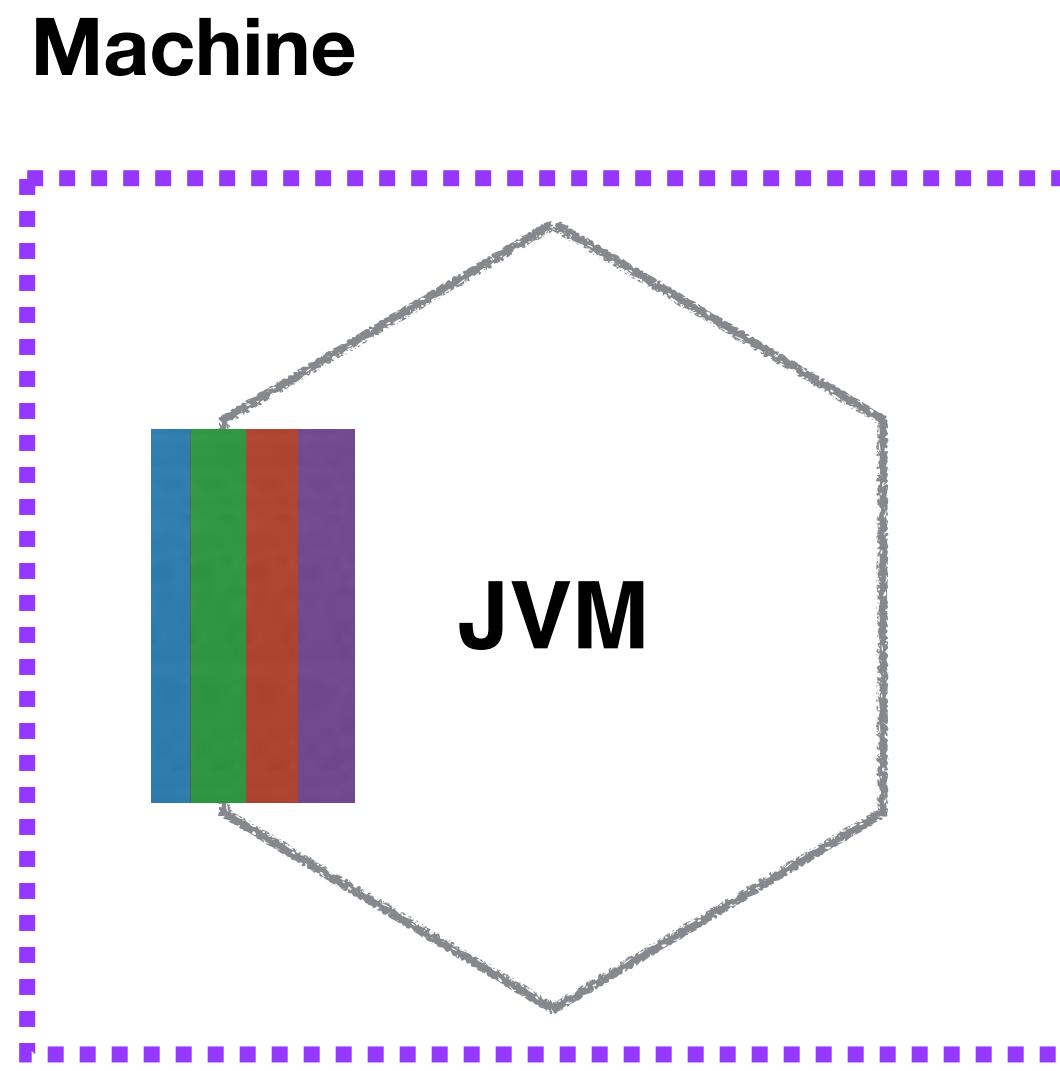
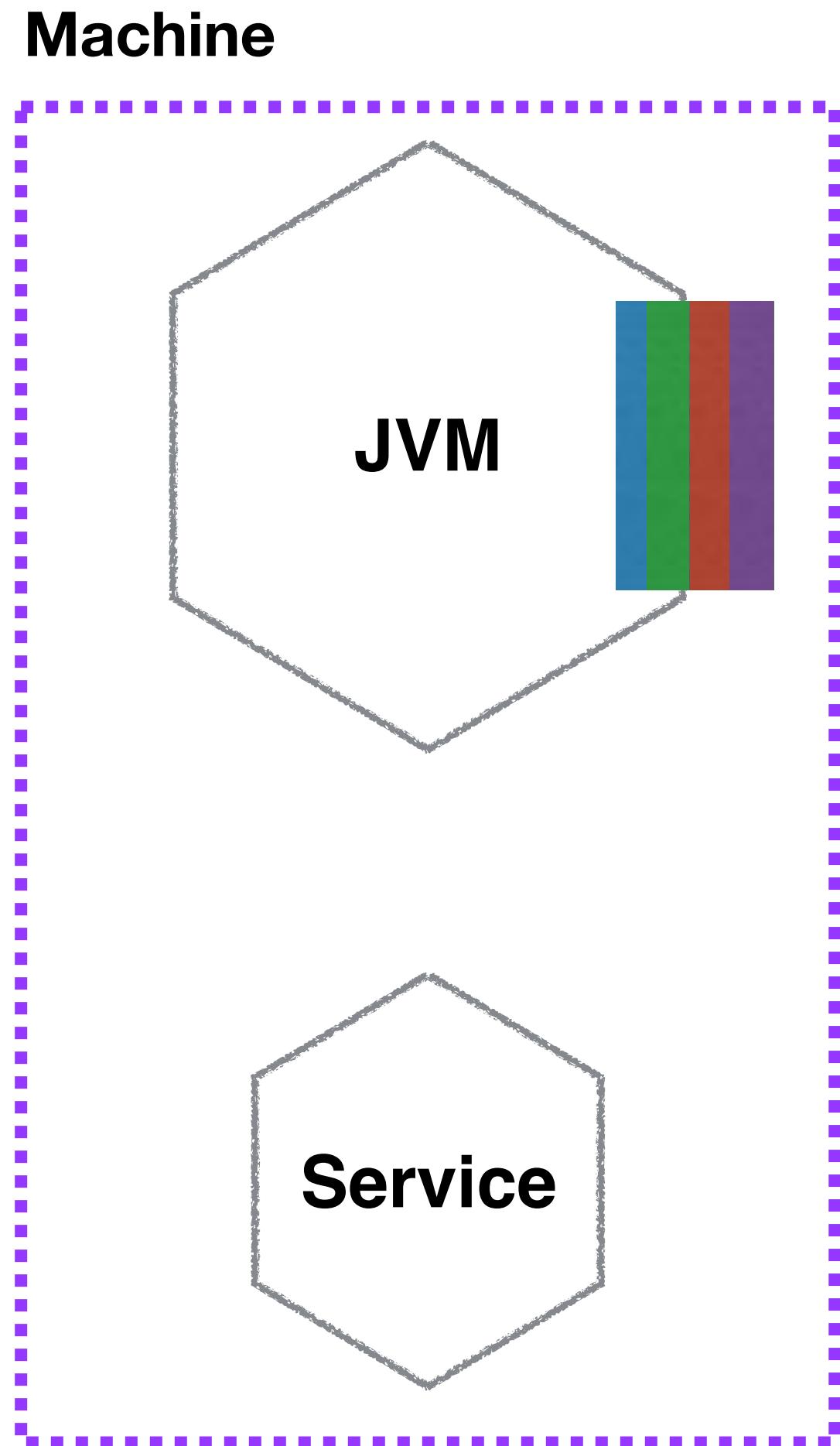
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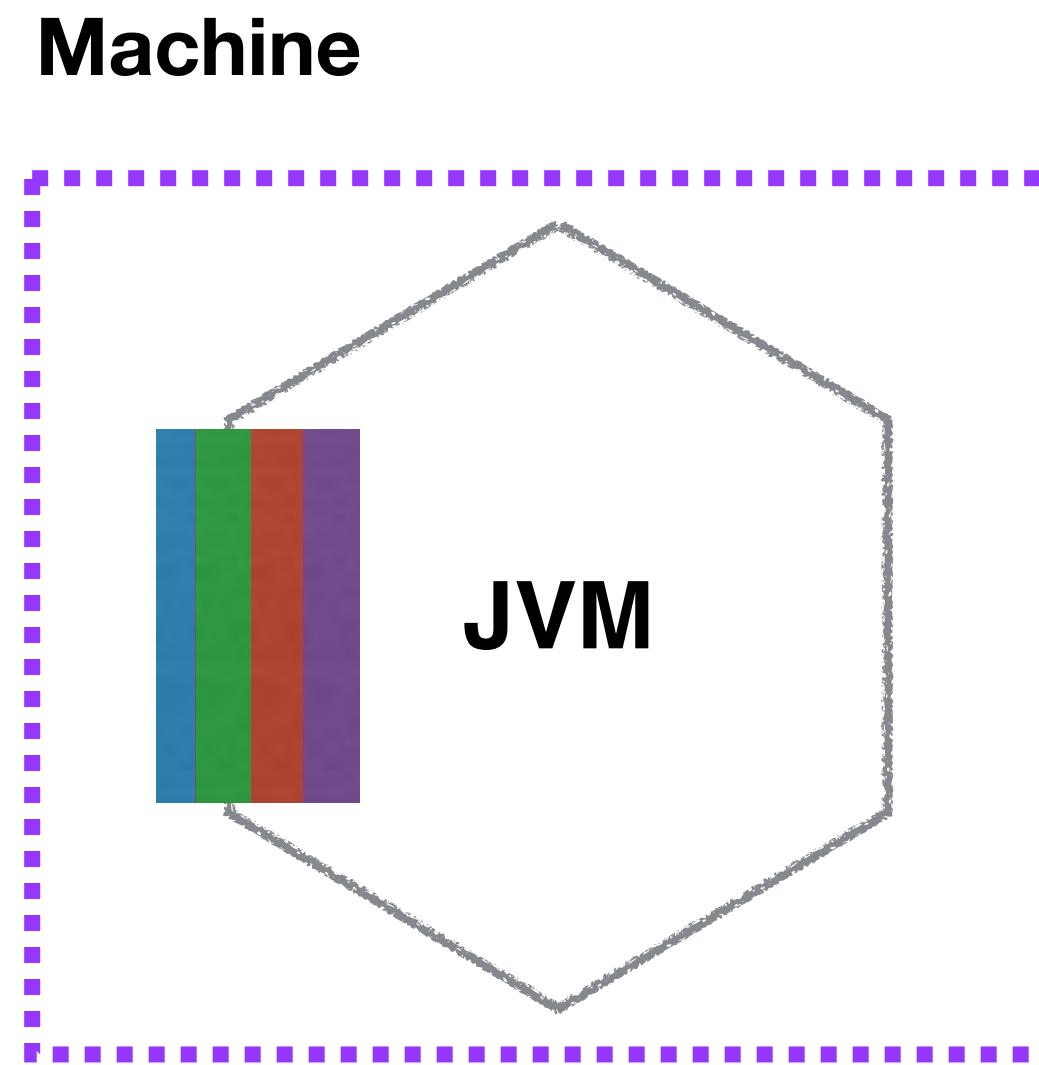
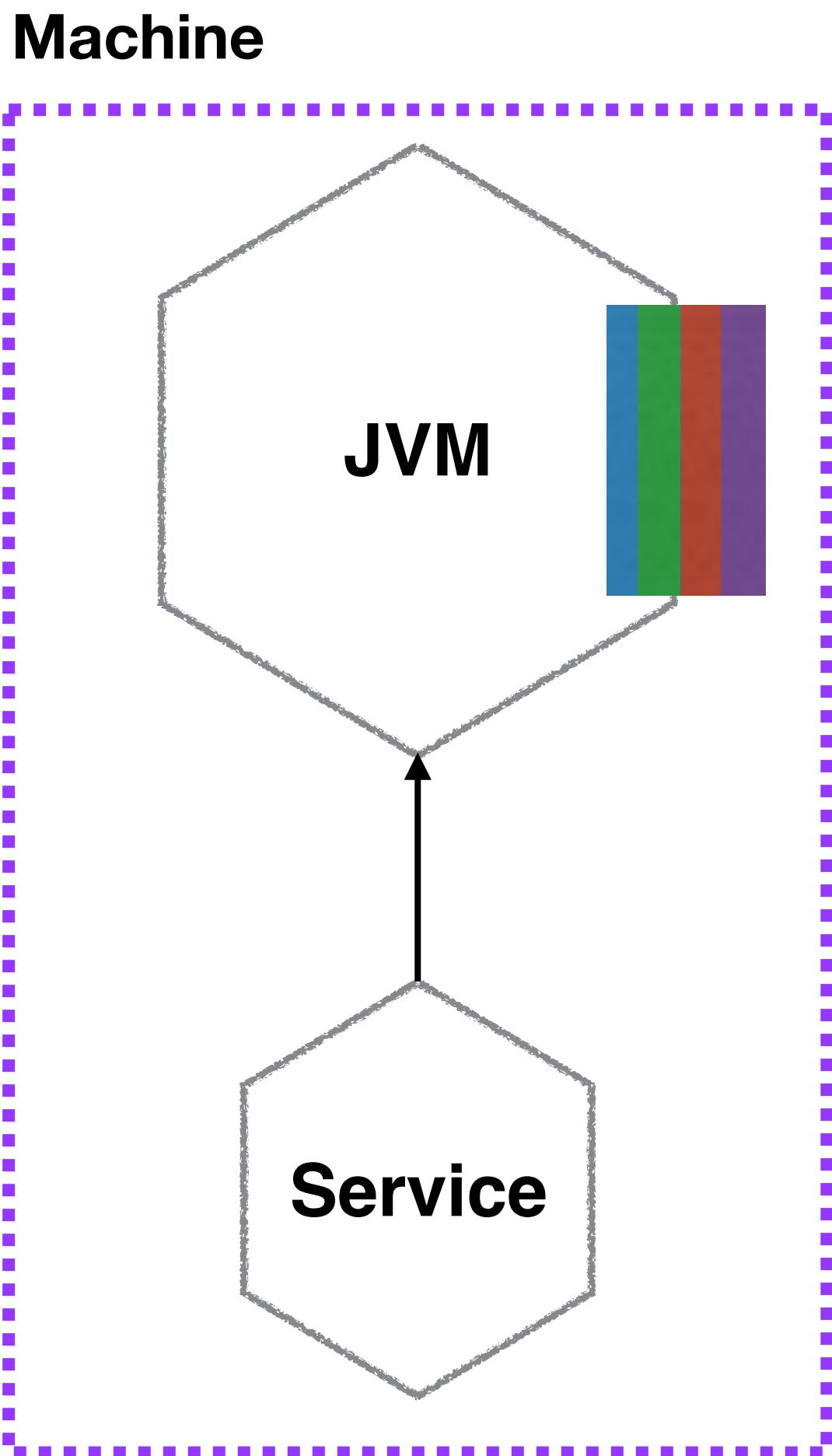
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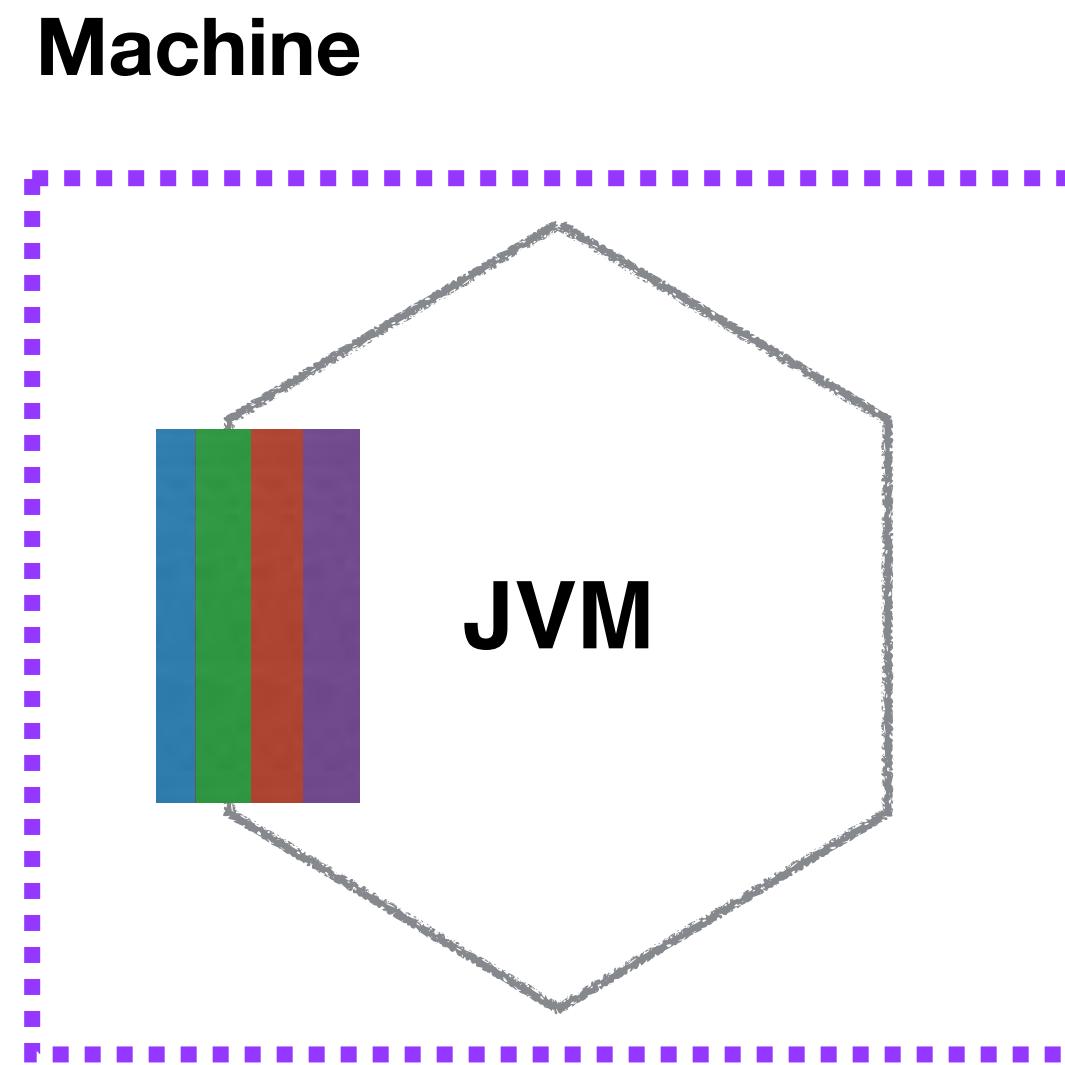
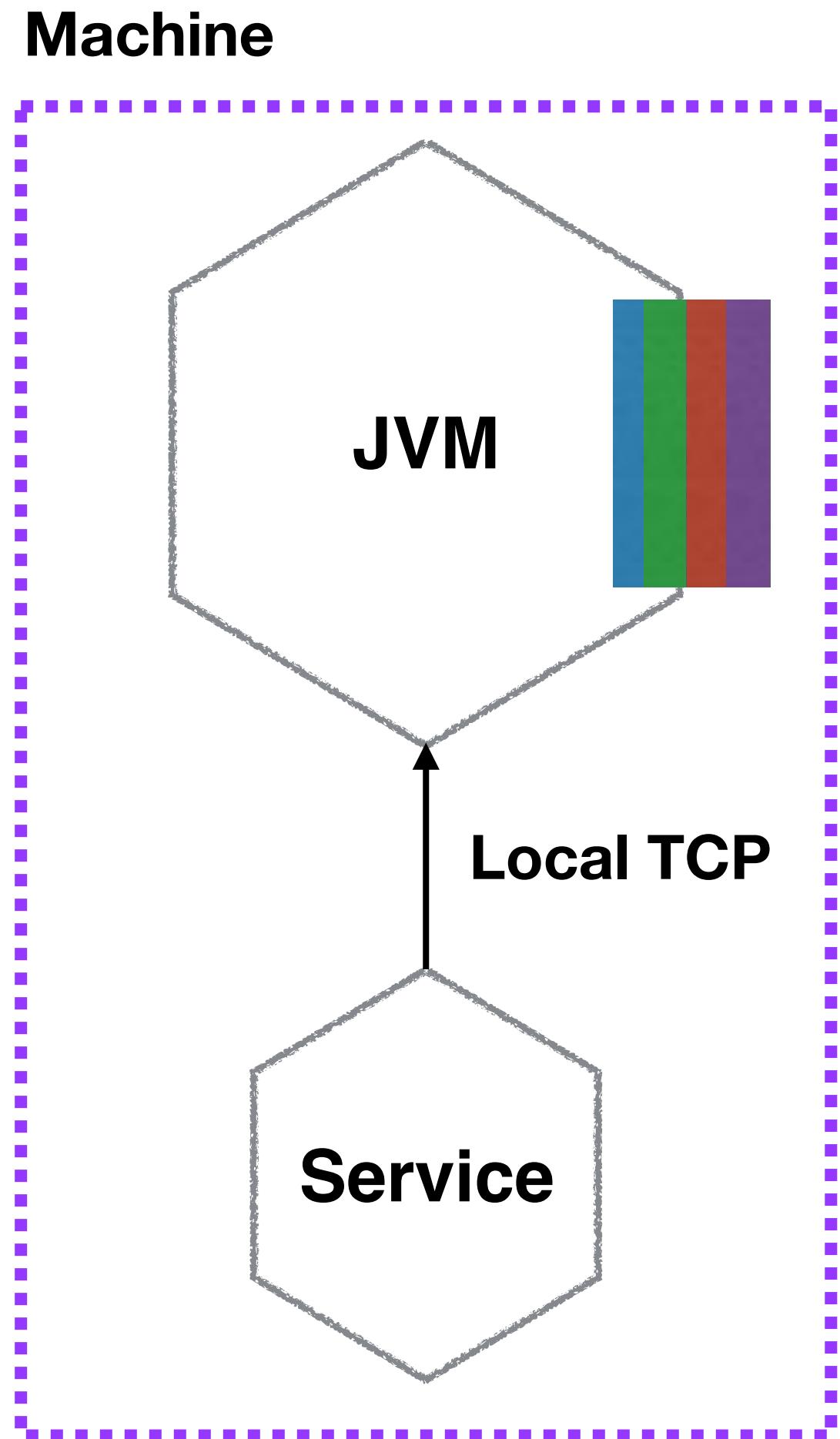
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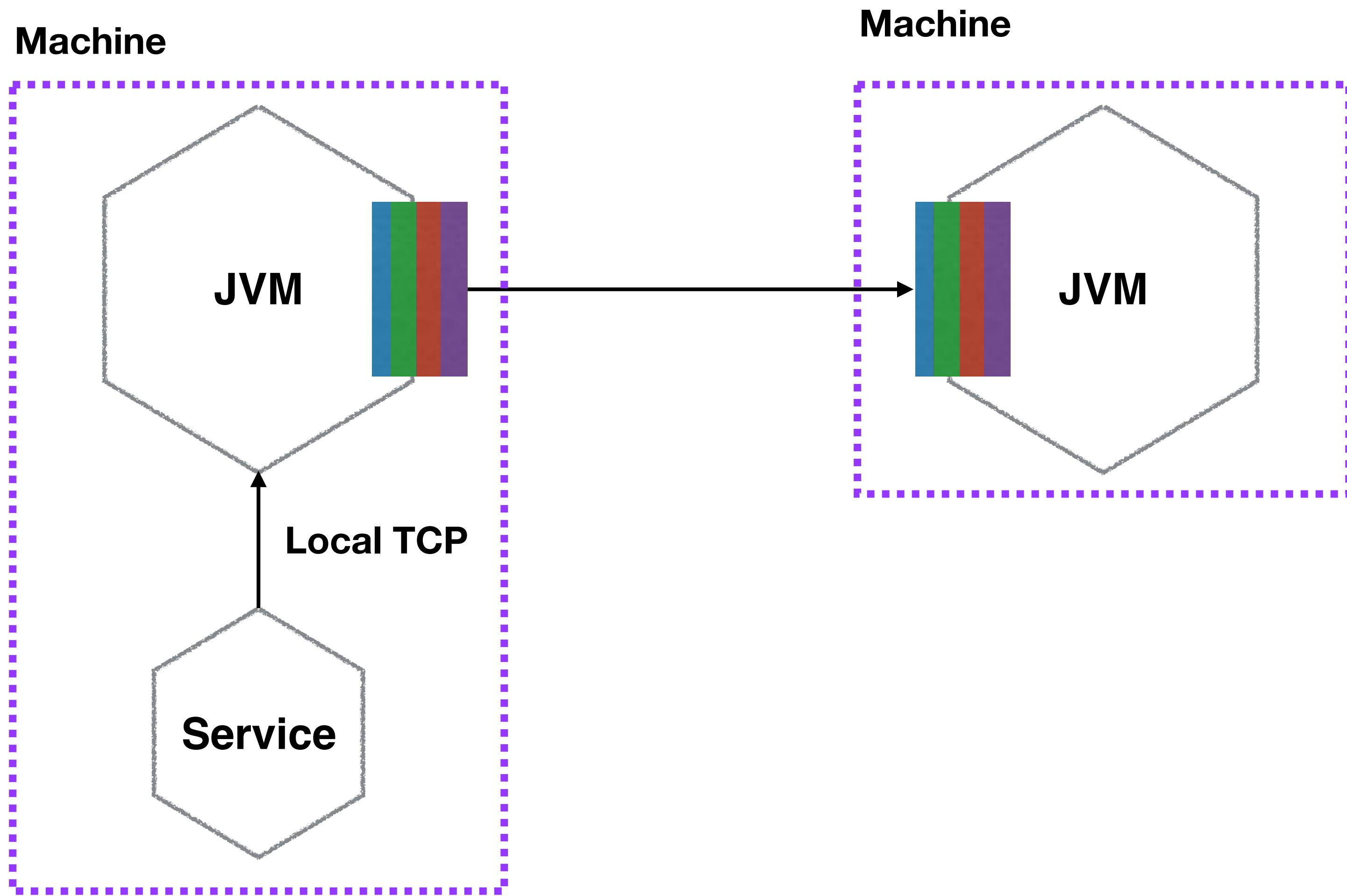
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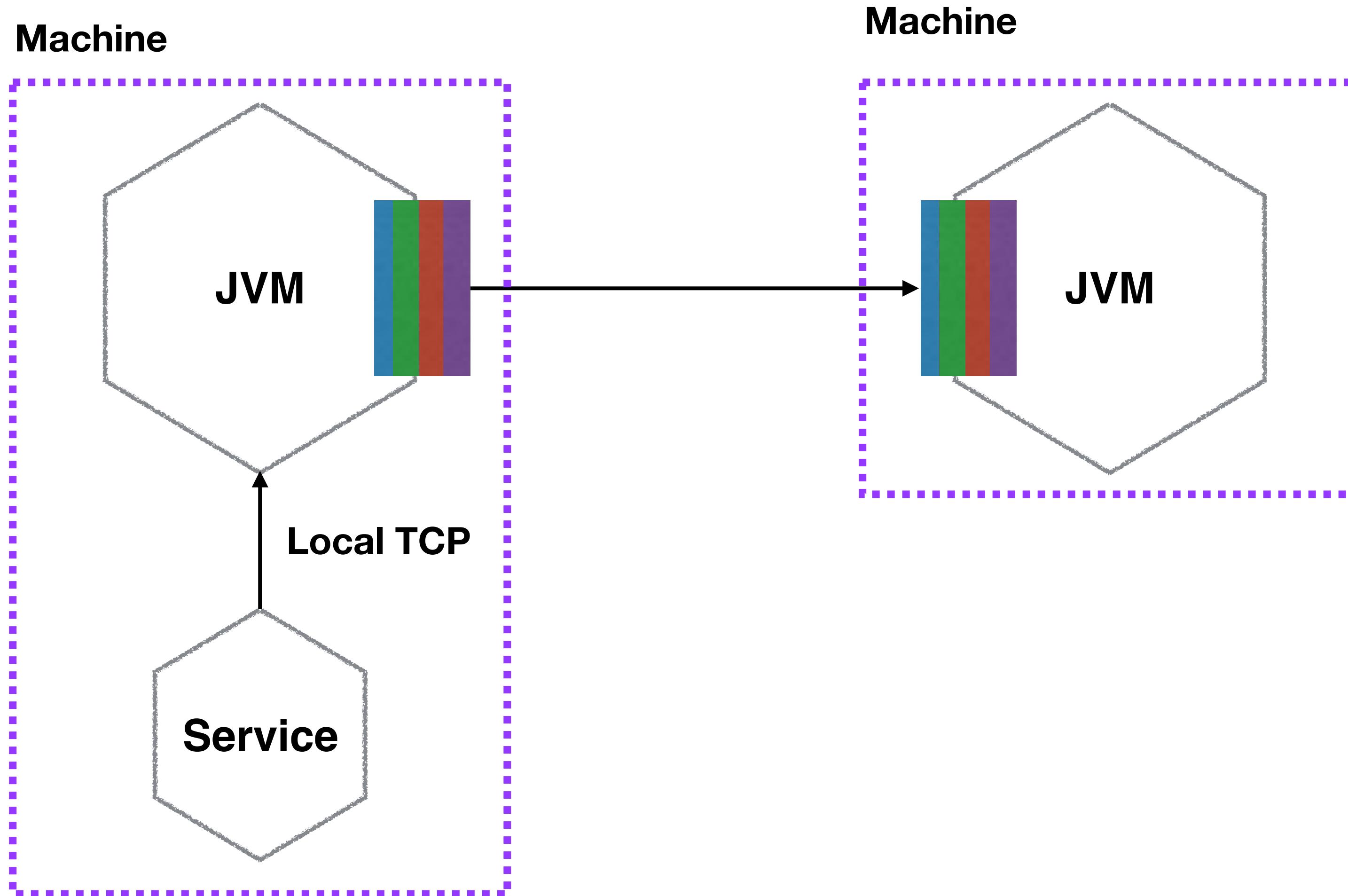
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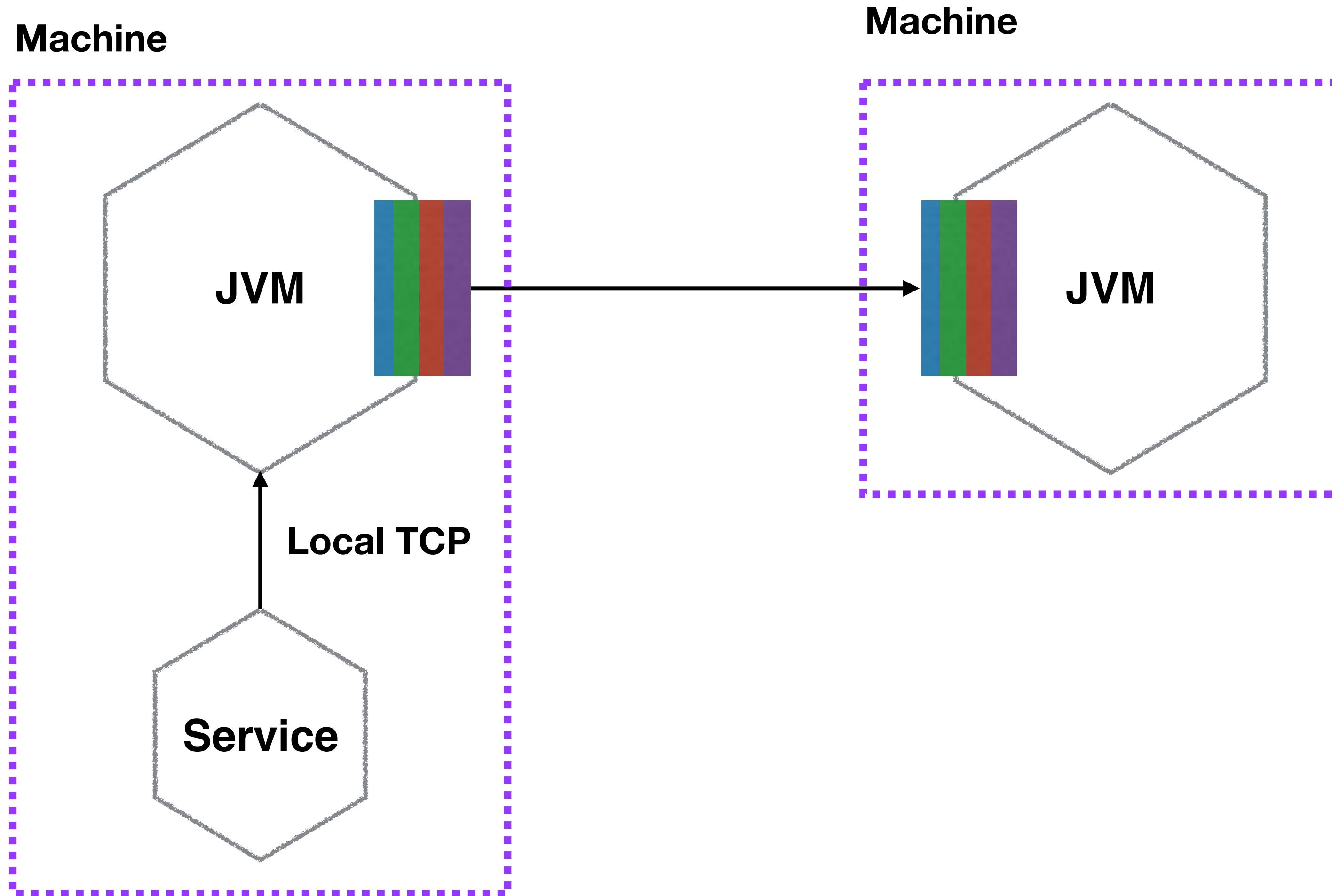


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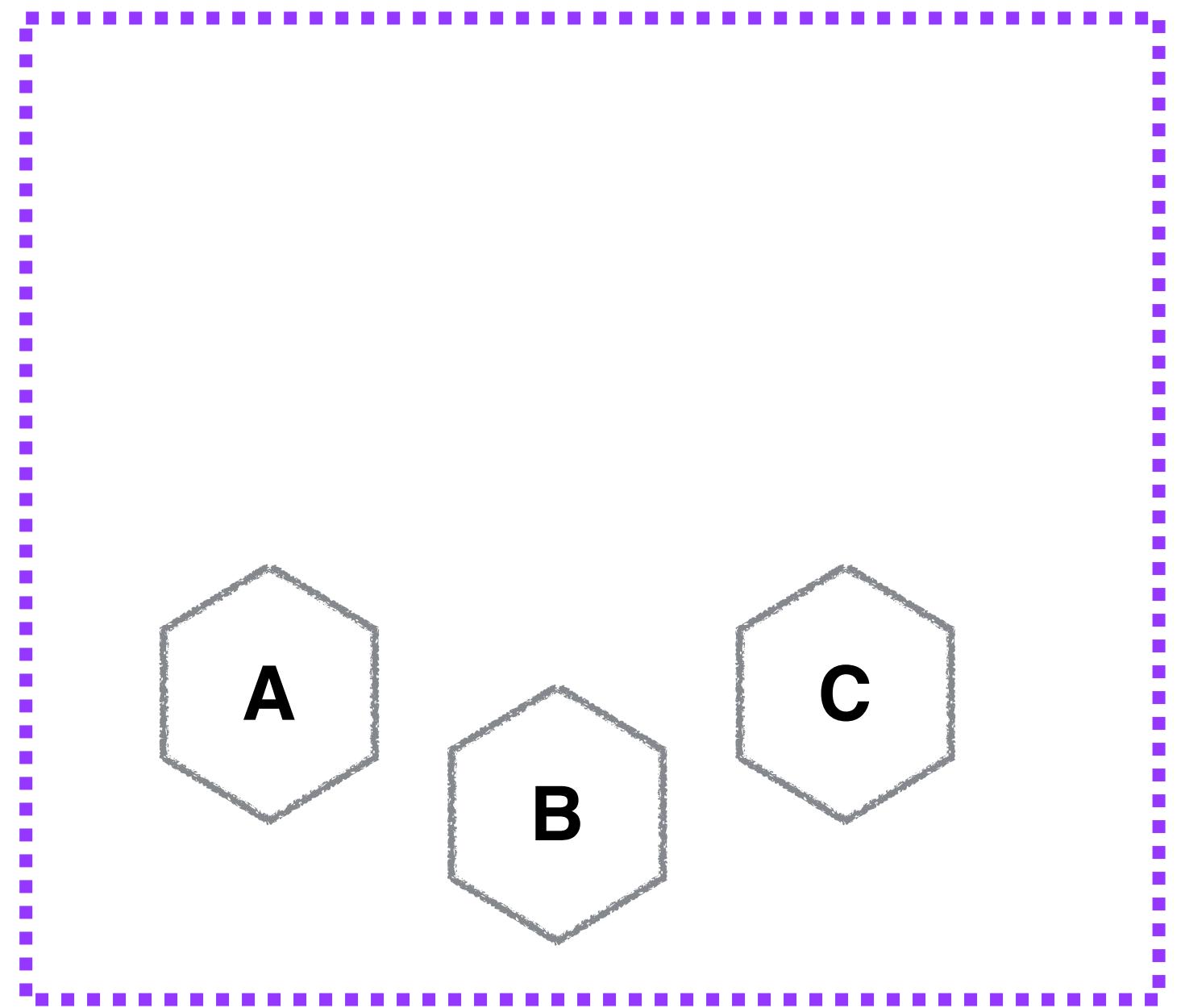
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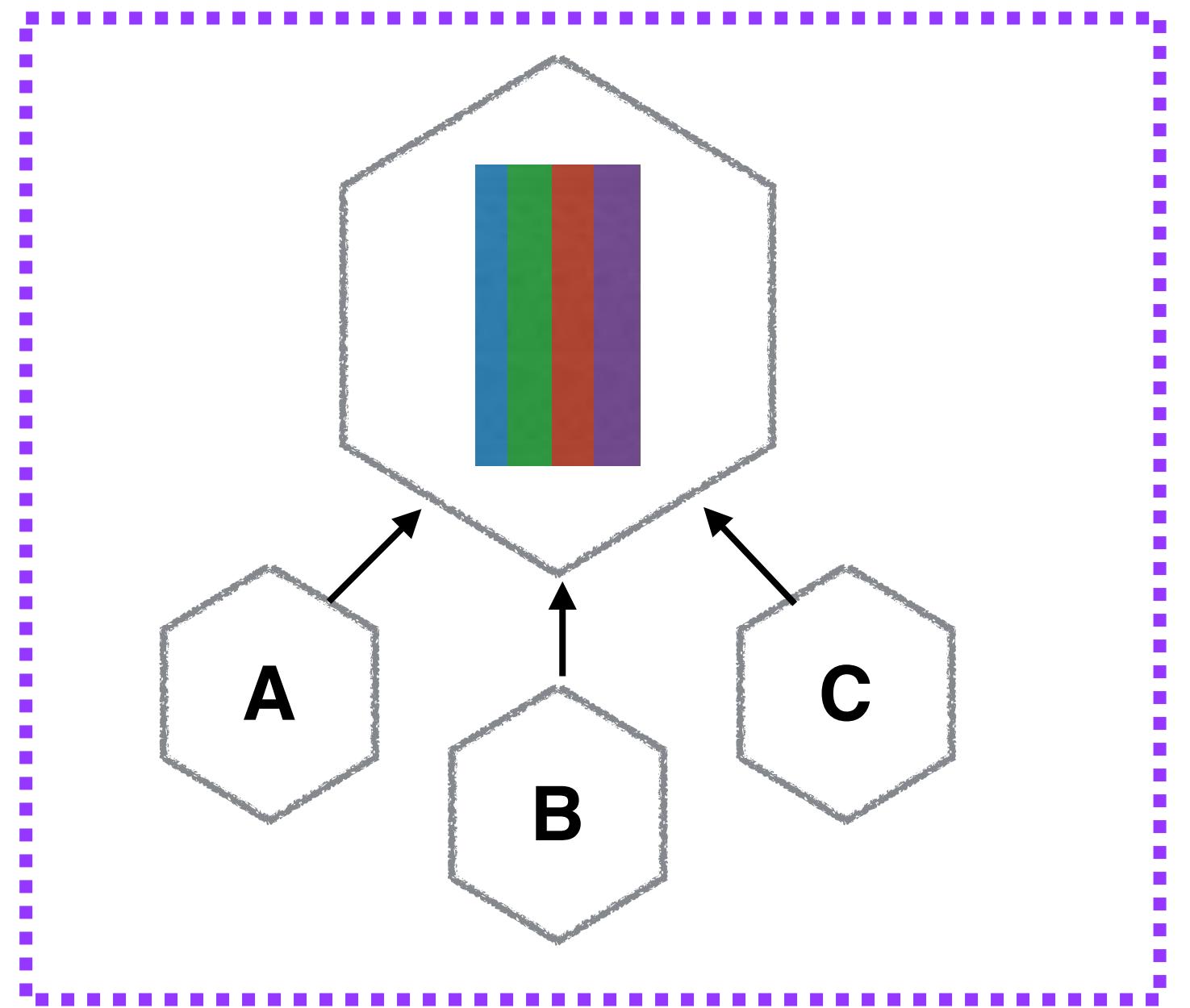
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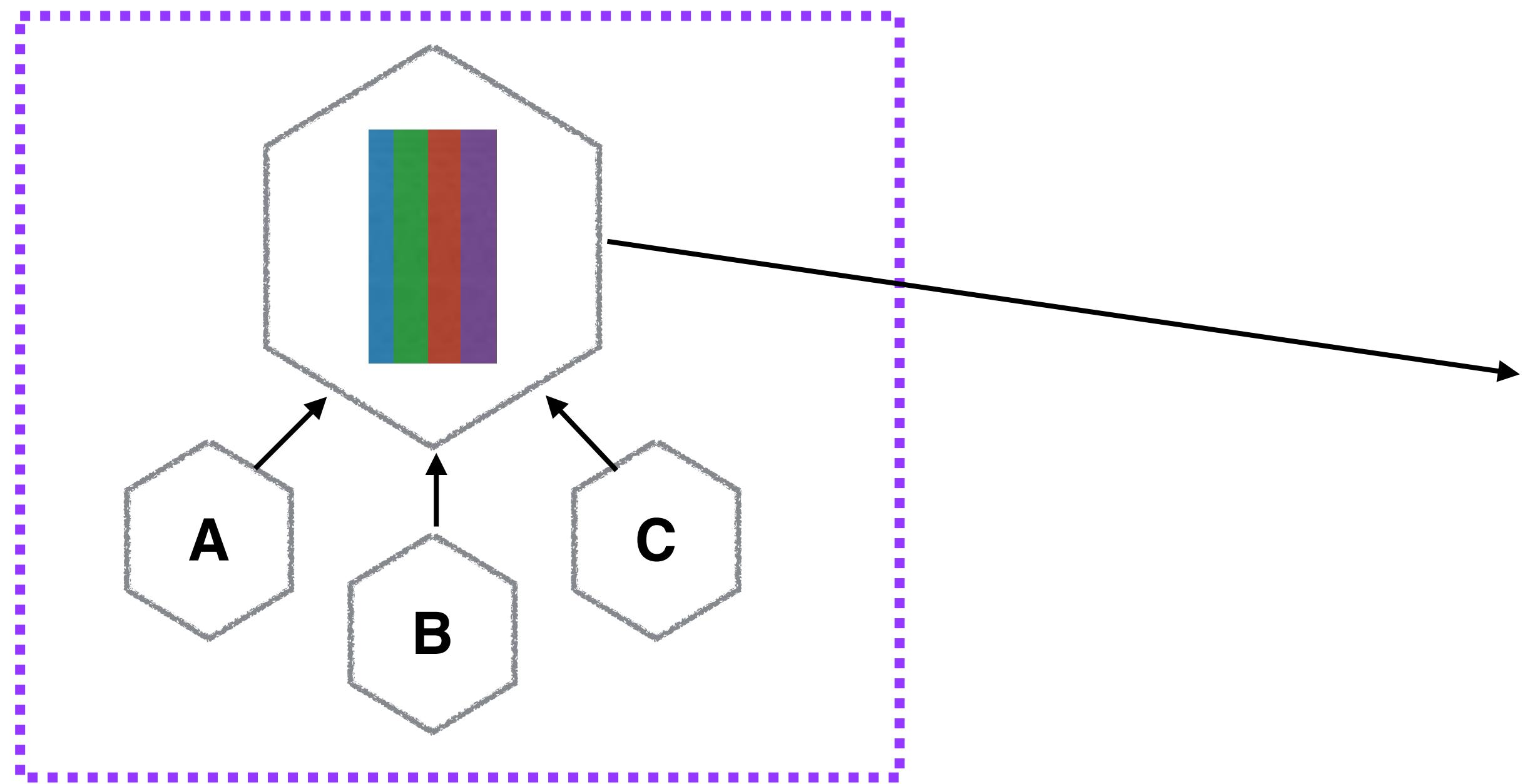
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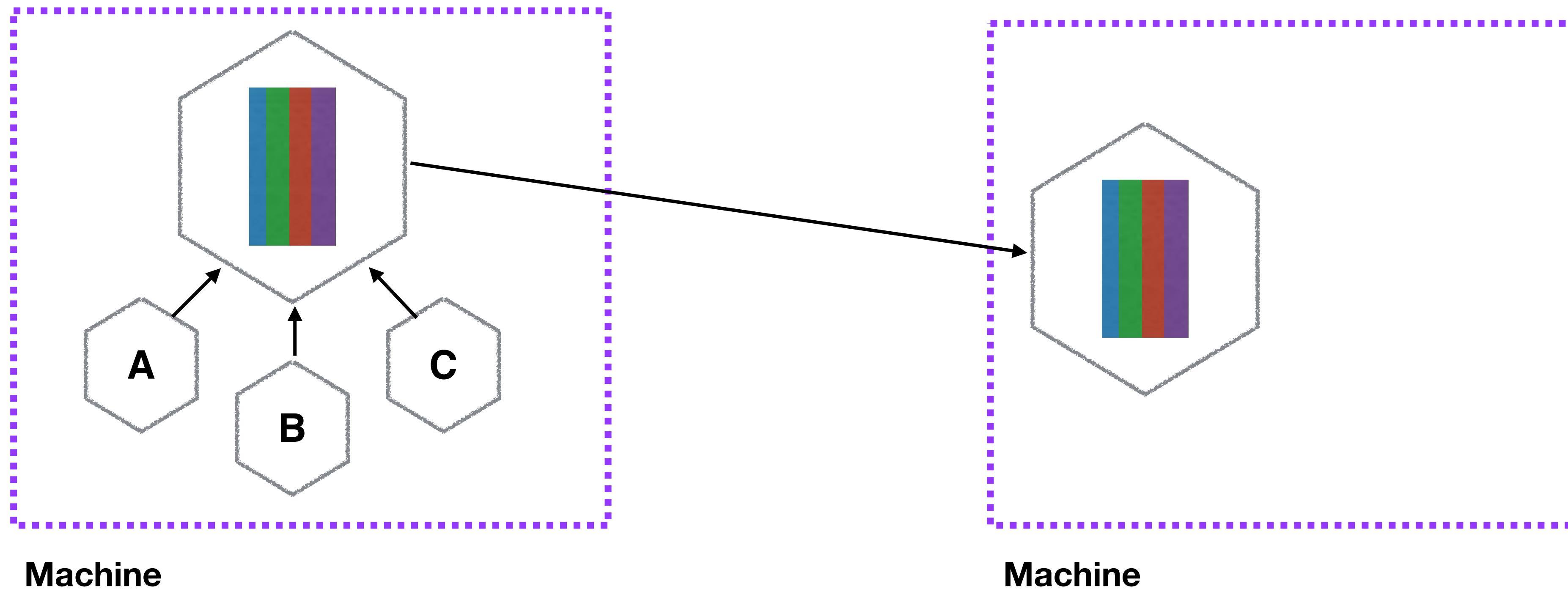
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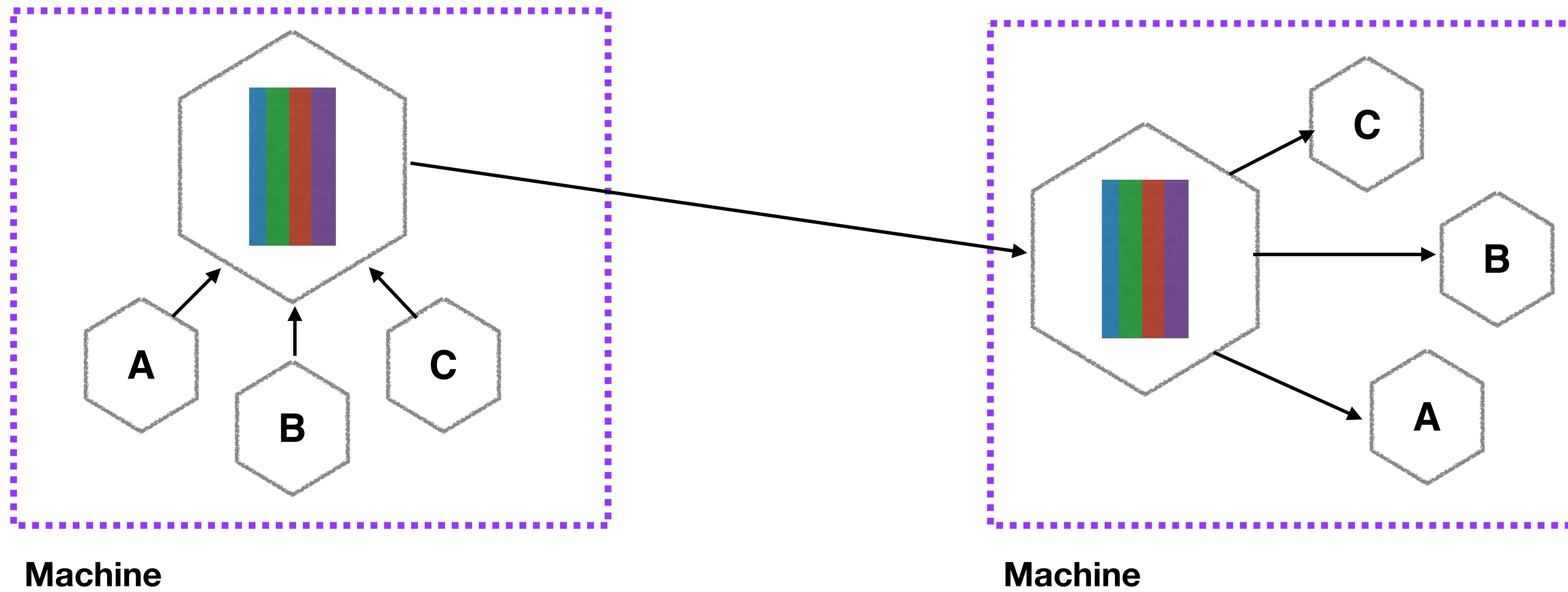


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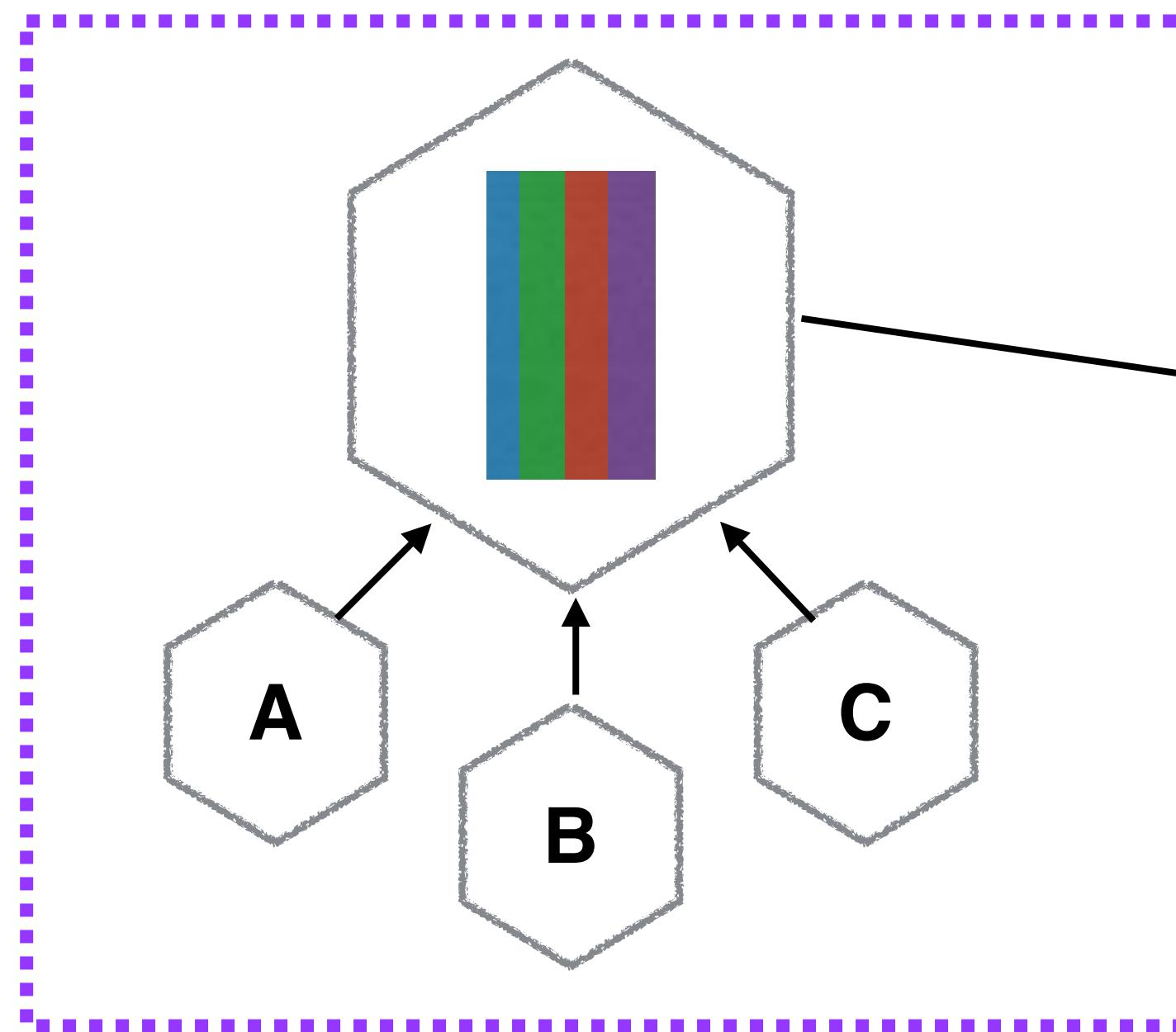
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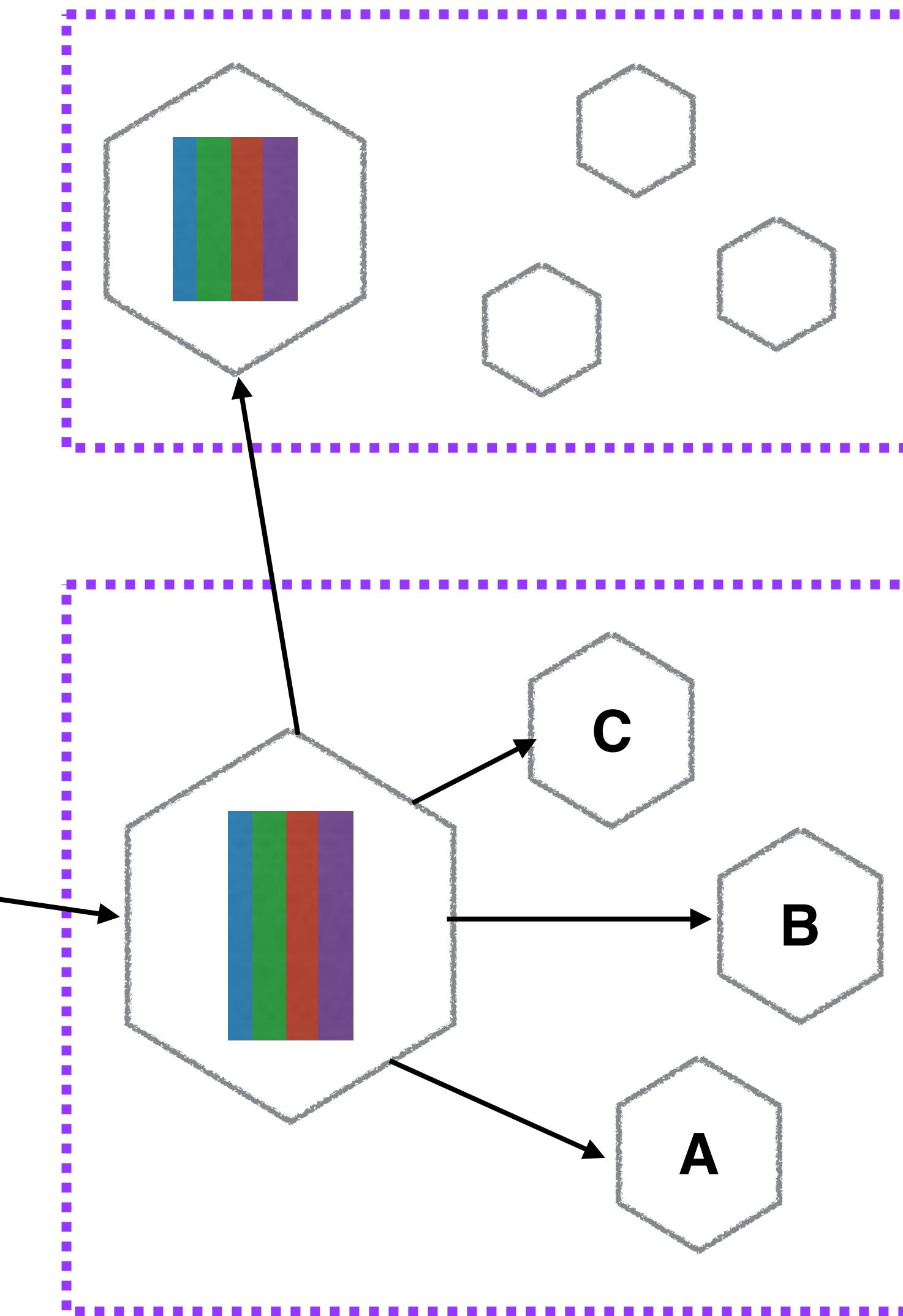
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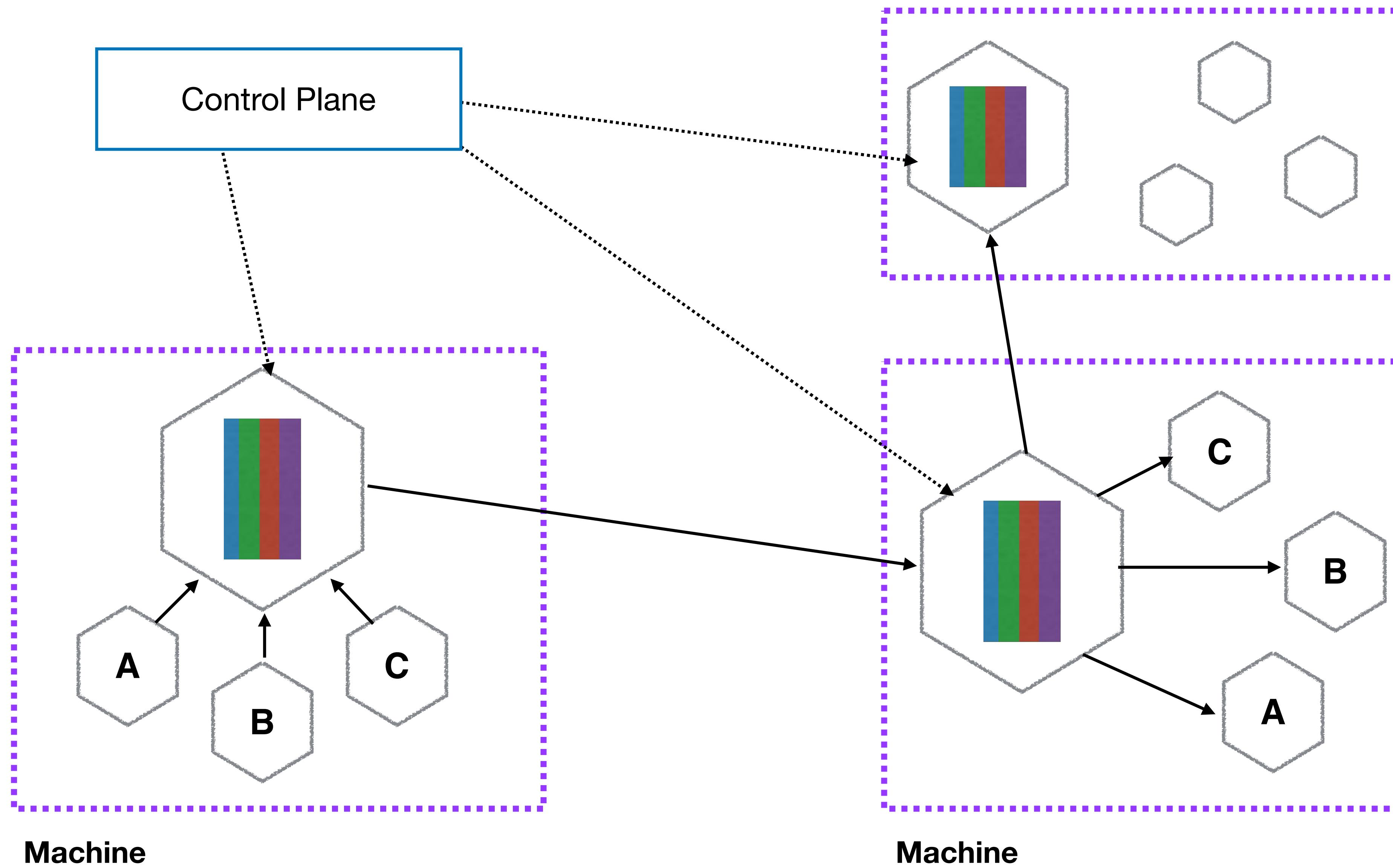


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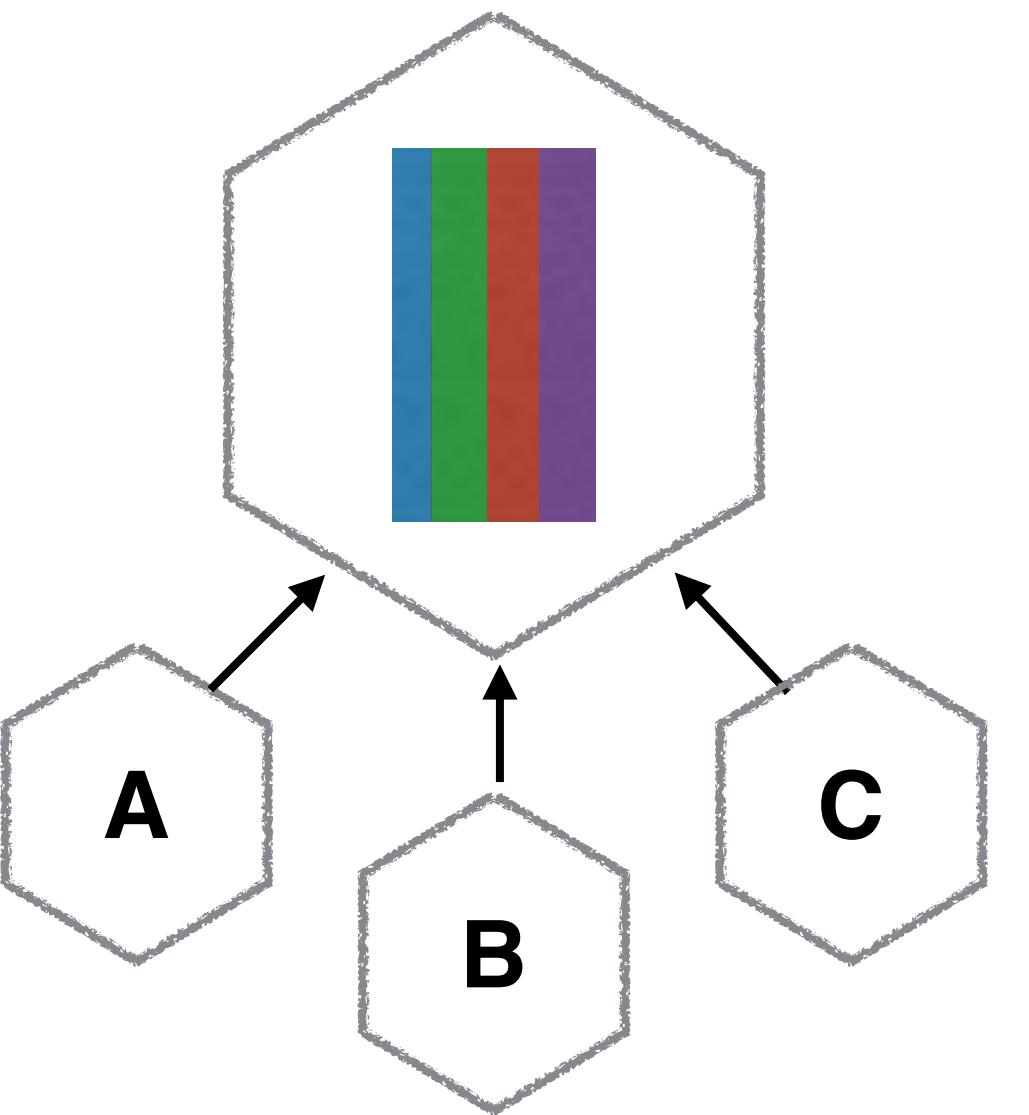
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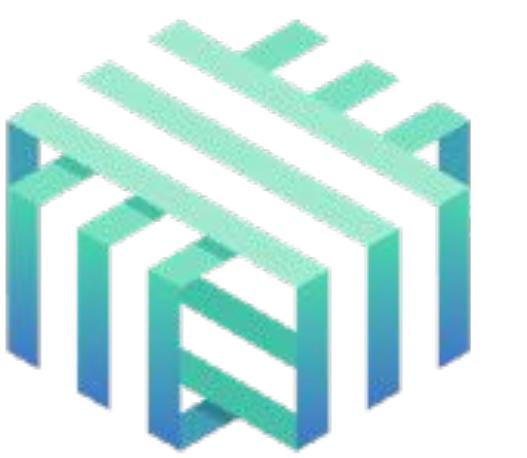
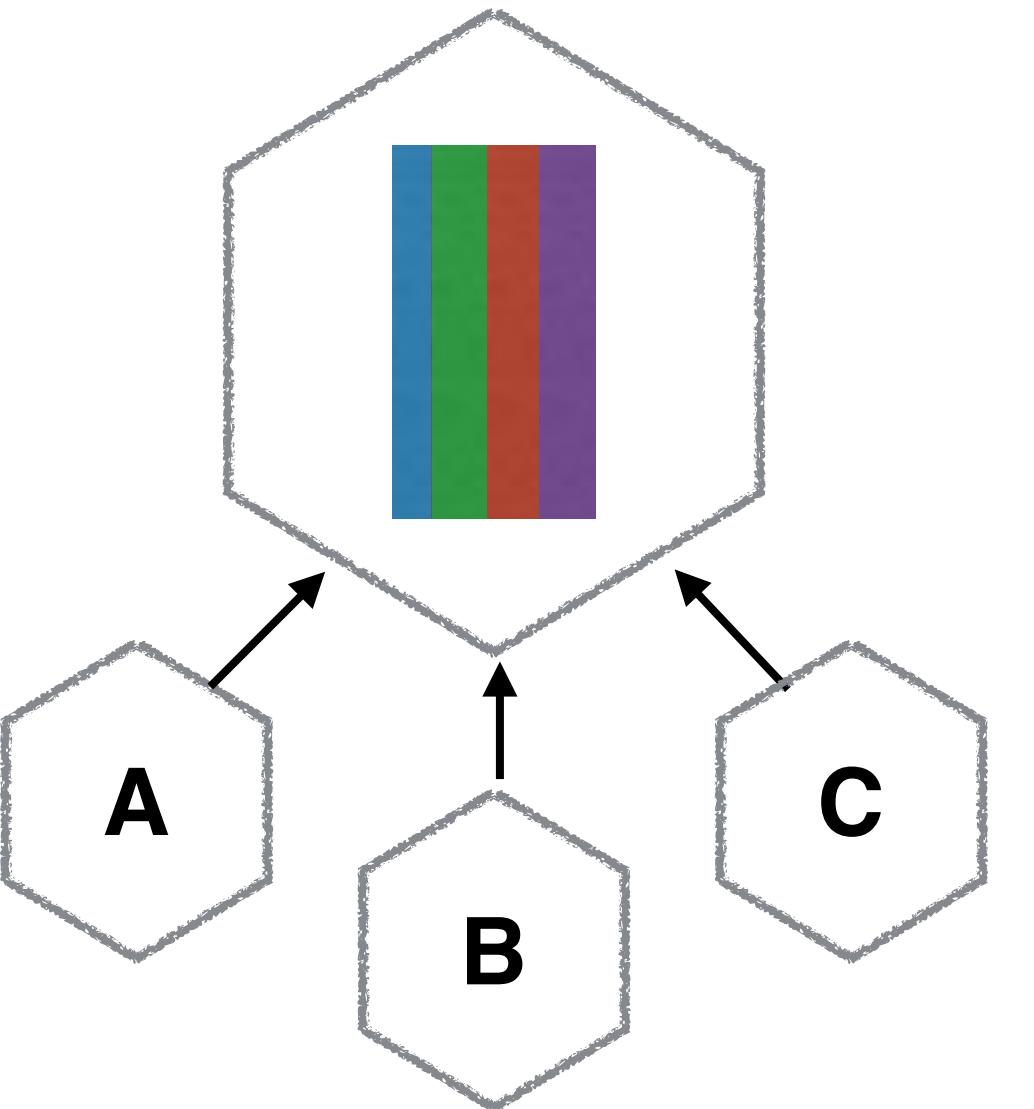
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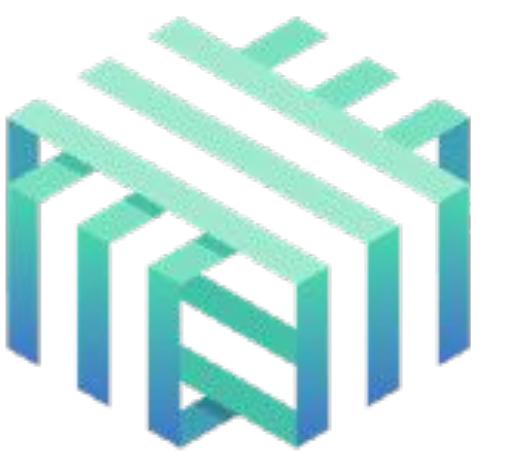
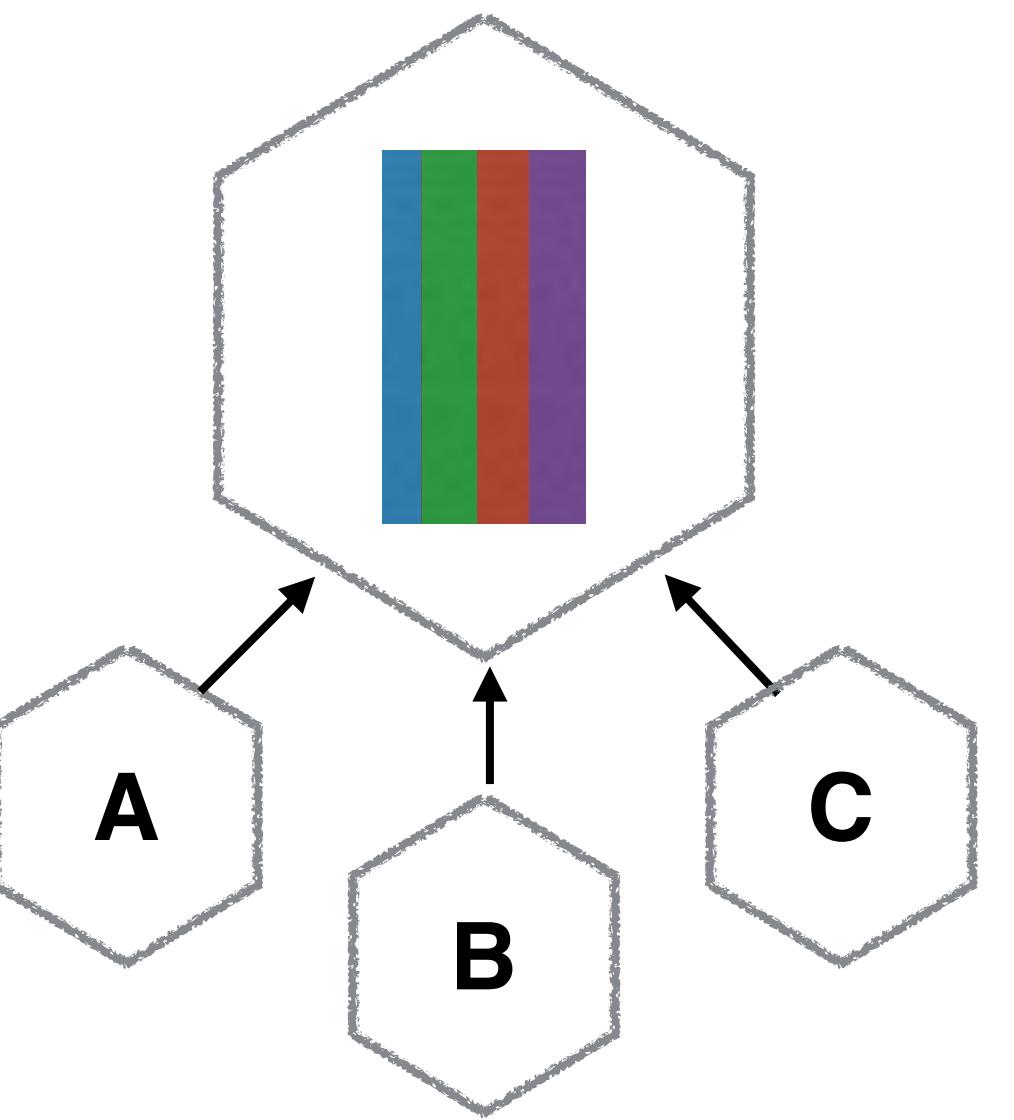
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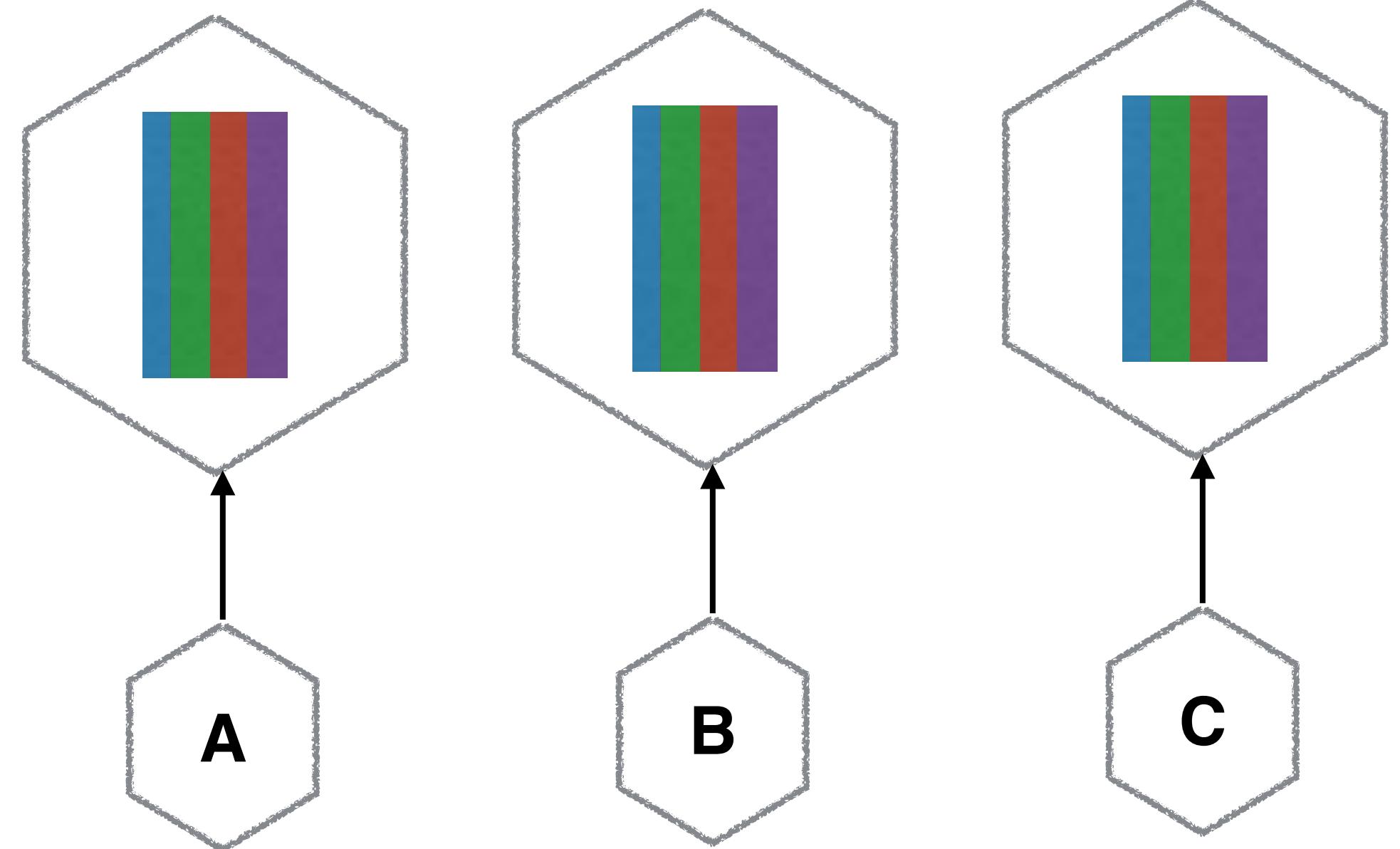
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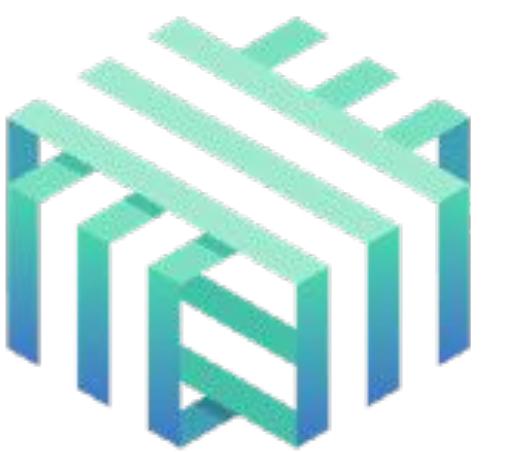
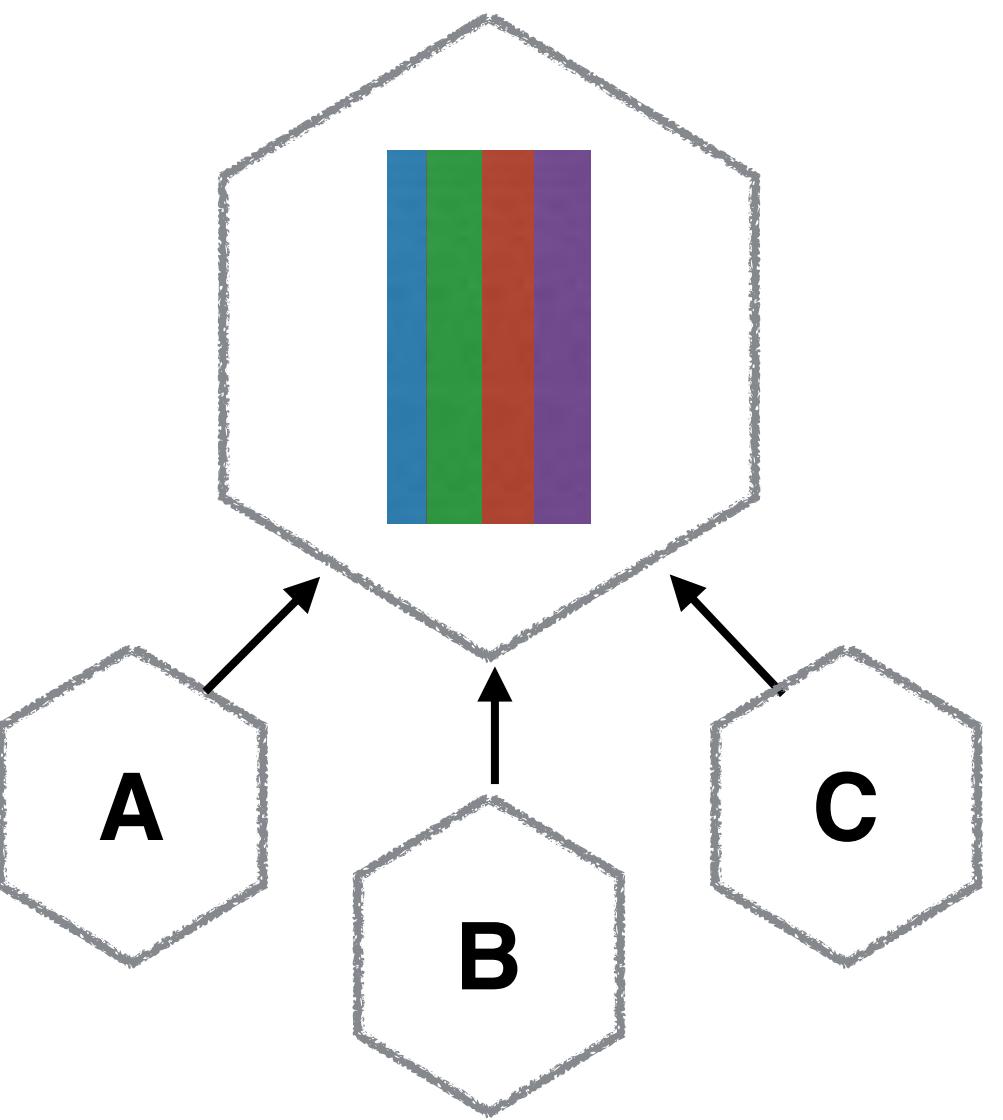
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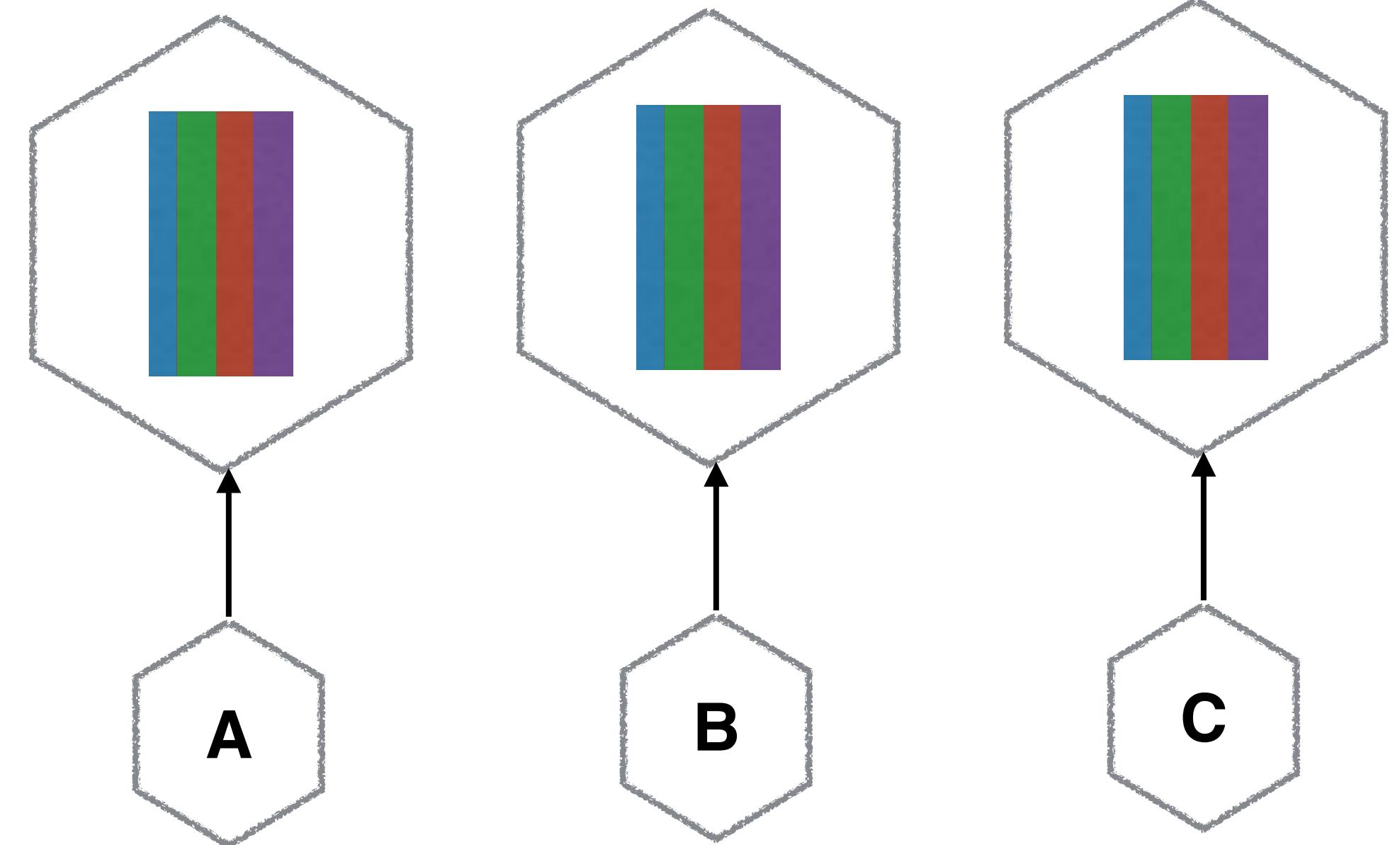
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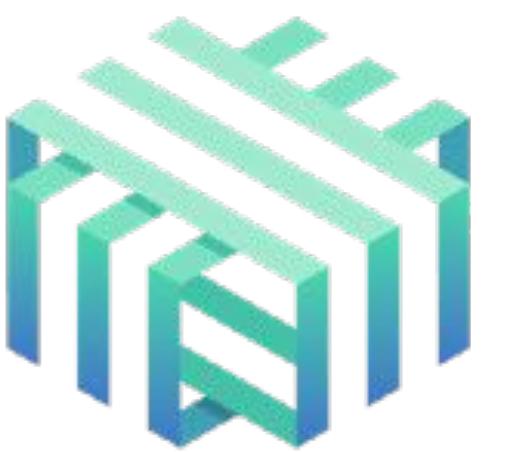
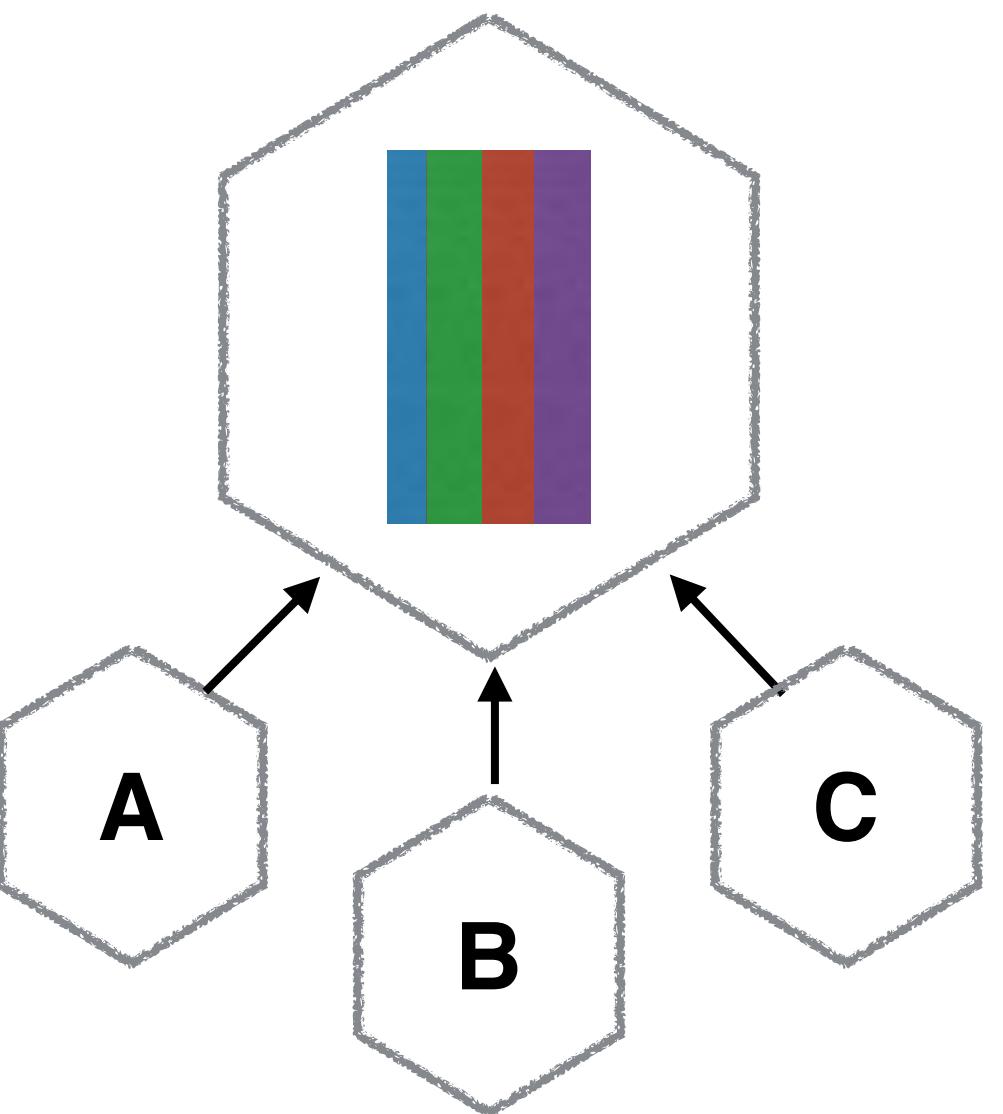
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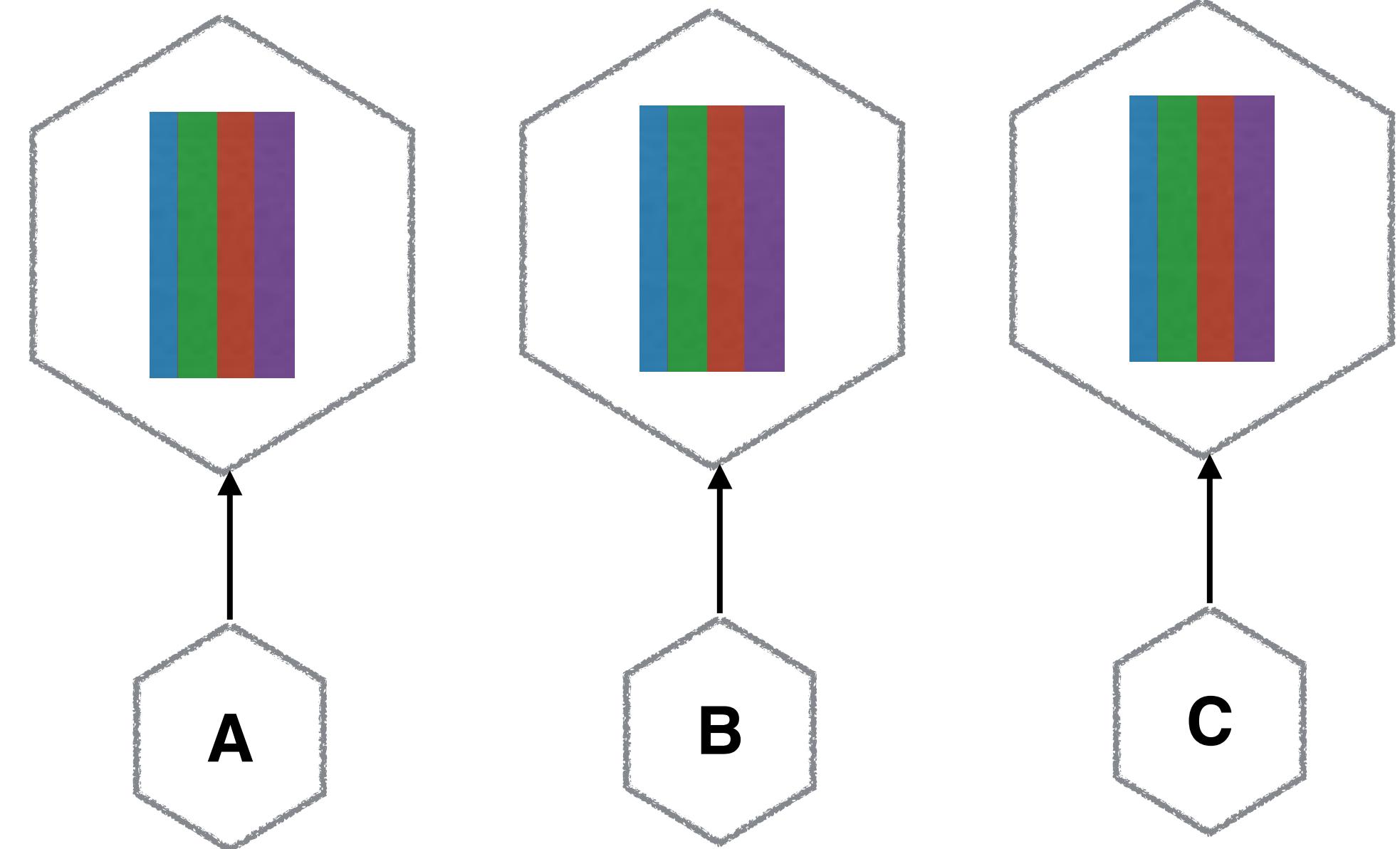
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Security!

MUTUAL TLS

Mutual TLS Authentication

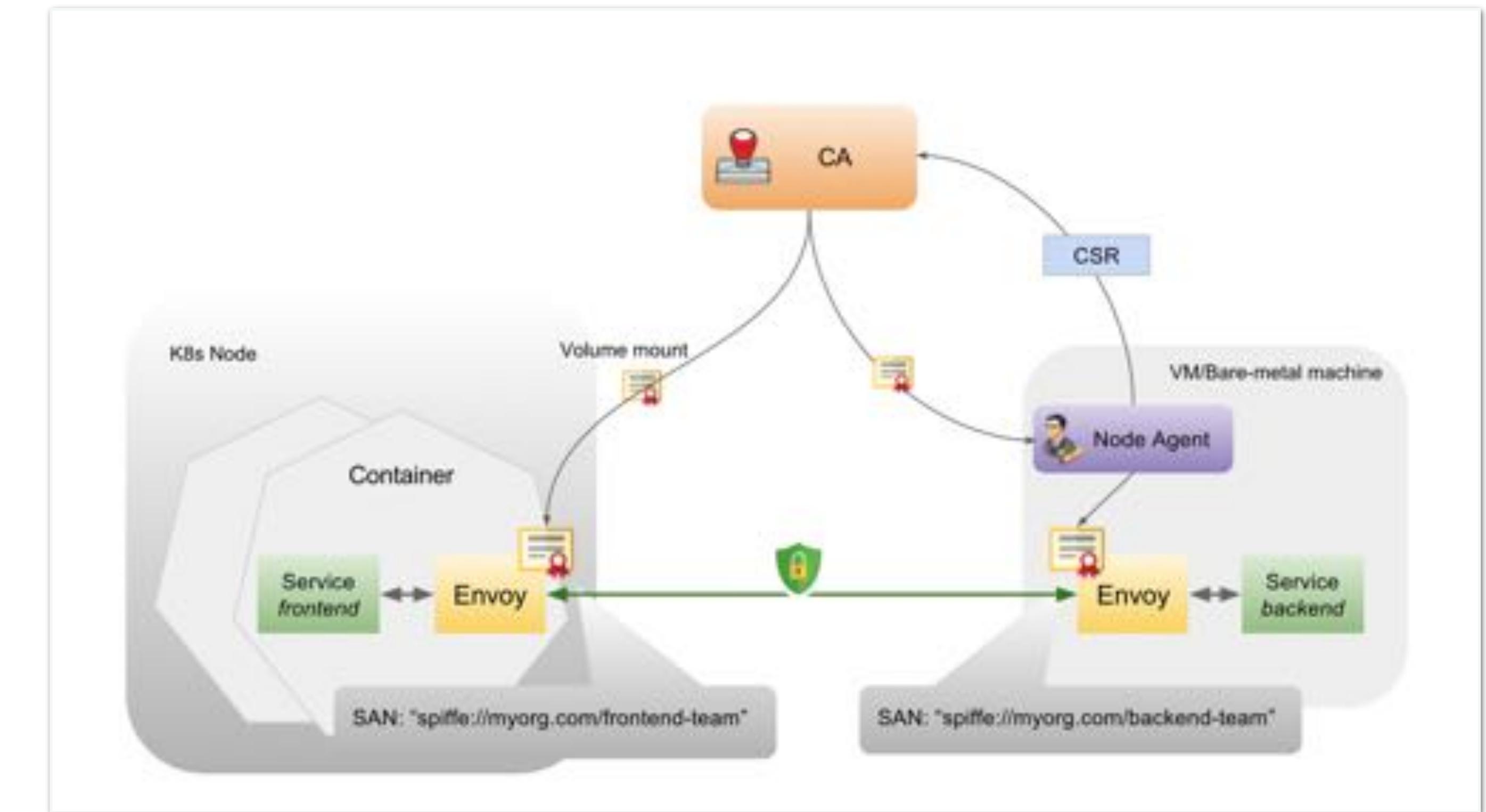
Overview

Istio Auth's aim is to enhance the security of microservices and their communication without requiring service code changes. It is responsible for:

- Providing each service with a strong identity that represents its role to enable interoperability across clusters and clouds
- Securing service to service communication and end-user to service communication
- Providing a key management system to automate key and certificate generation, distribution, rotation, and revocation

Architecture

The diagram below shows Istio Auth's architecture, which includes three primary components: identity, key management, and communication security. This diagram describes how Istio Auth is used to secure the service-to-service communication between service 'frontend' running as the service account 'frontend-team' and service 'backend' running as the service account 'backend-team'. Istio supports services running on both Kubernetes containers and VM/bare-metal machines.



<https://istio.io/docs/concepts/security/mutual-tls.html>

Caution warranted?

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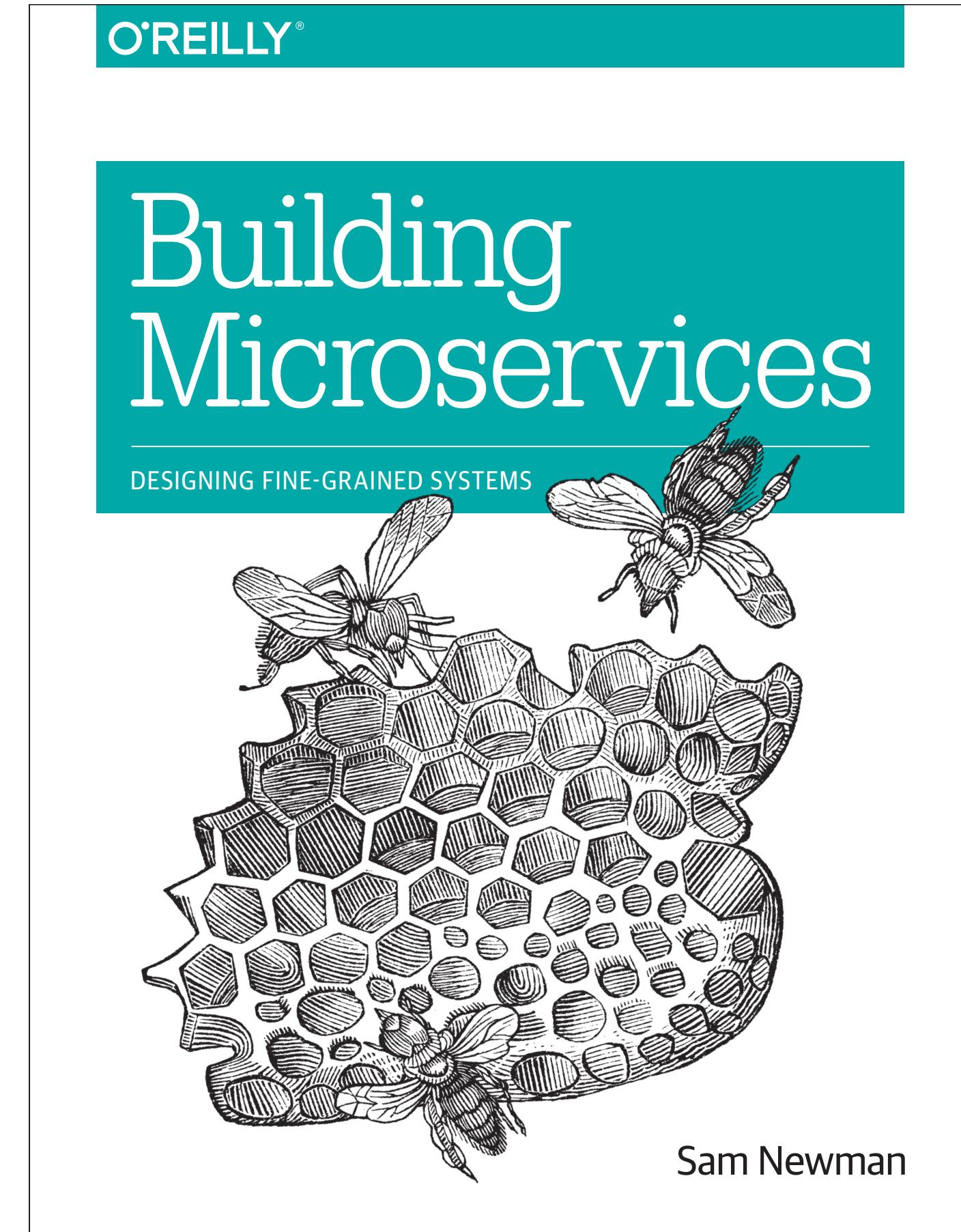
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