

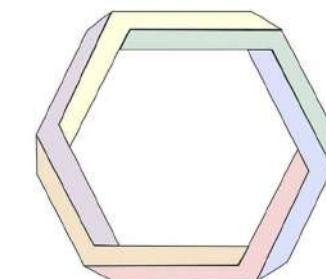
The Microservice Hypothesis

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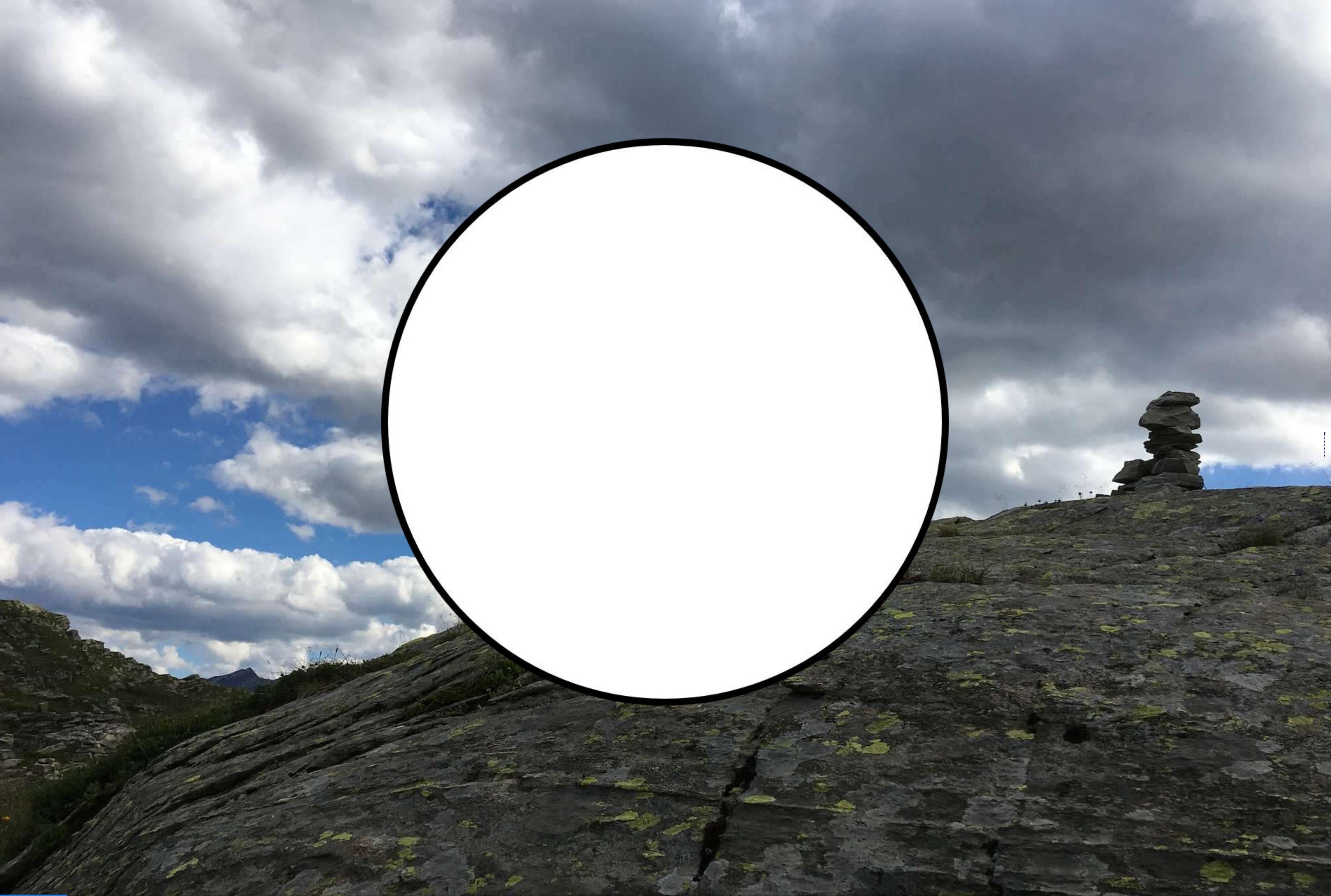


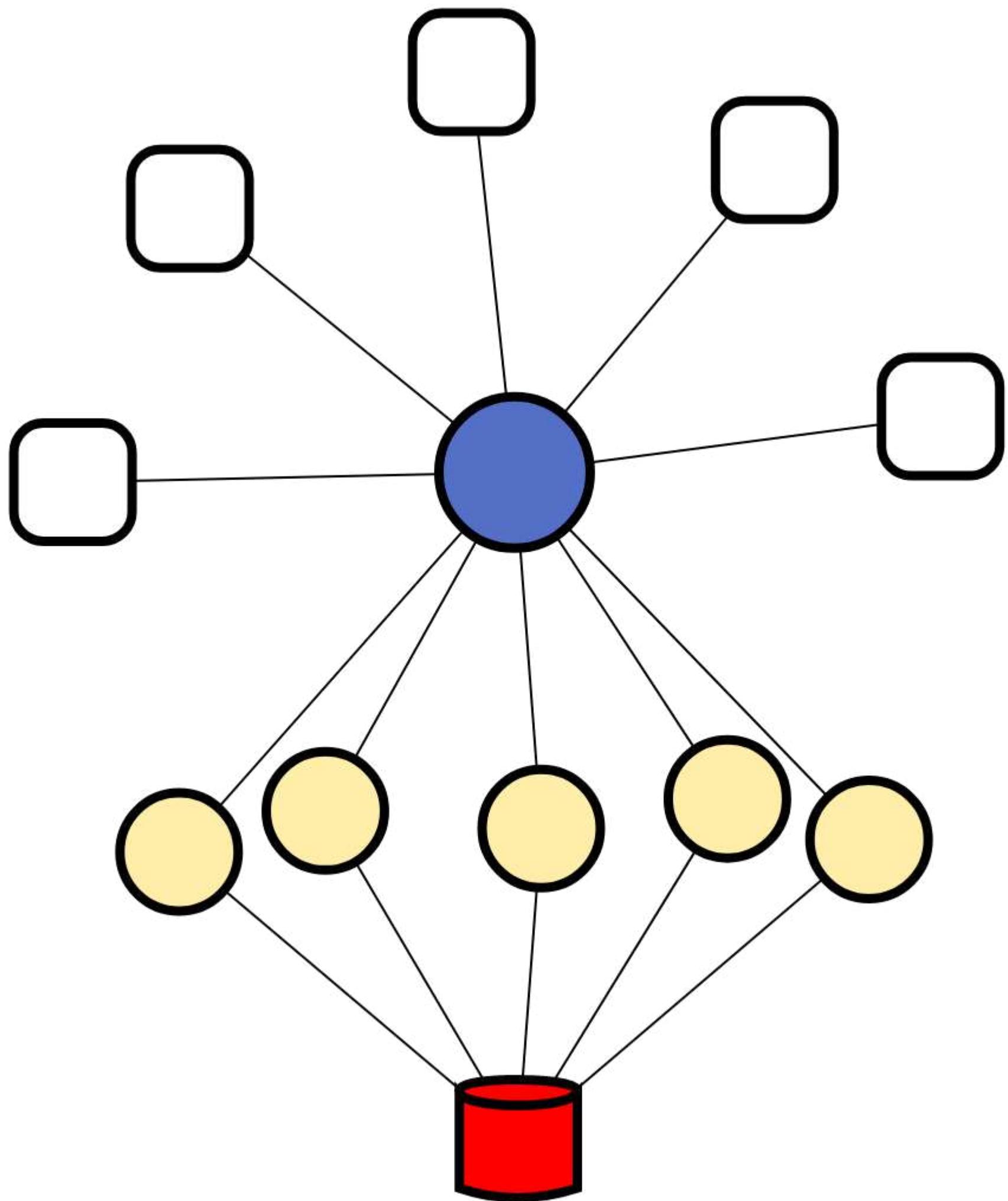
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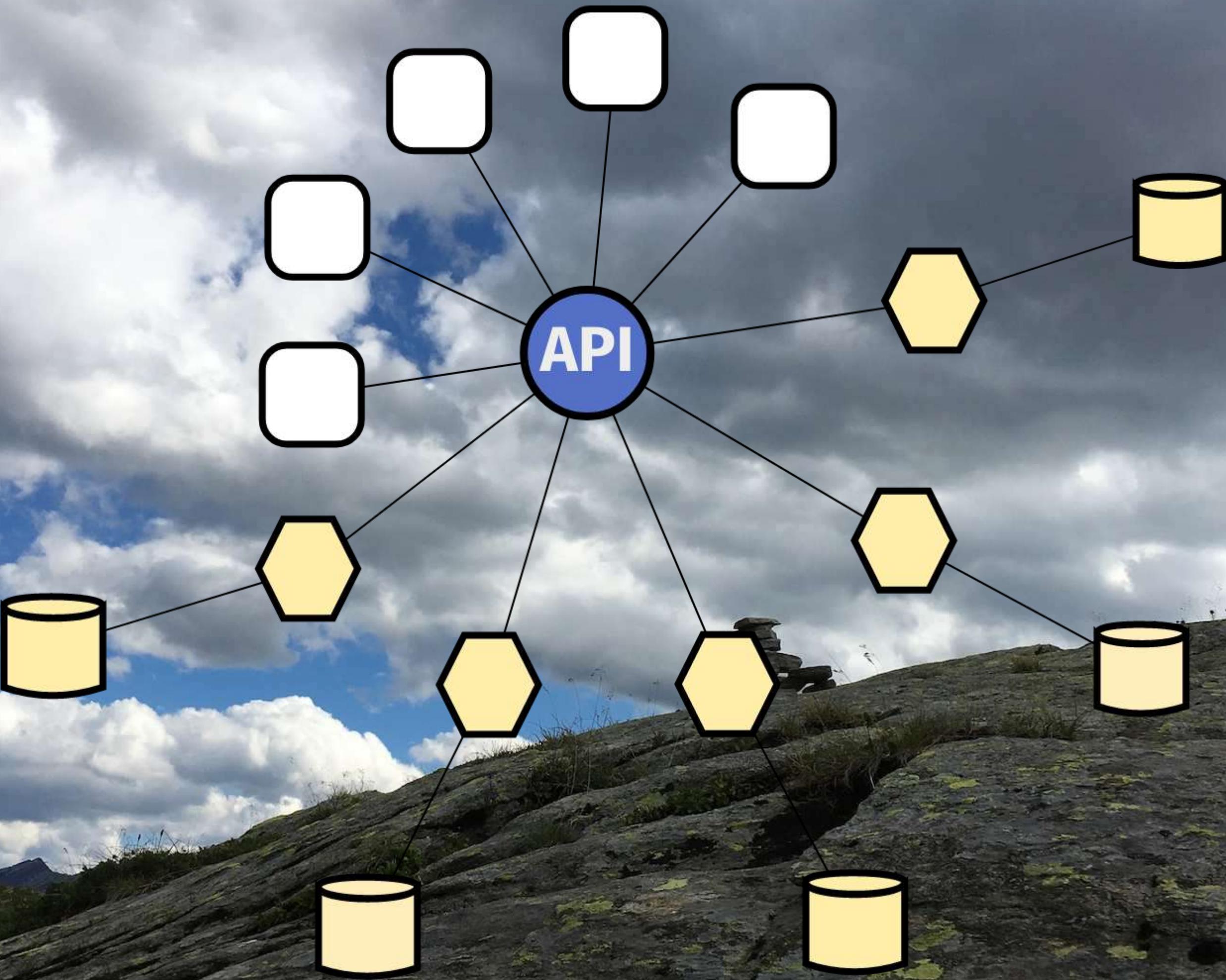
- Splitting the Monolith
- API Visualization
- API Design and Evolution Patterns
- The Microservice Hypothesis

Abstract

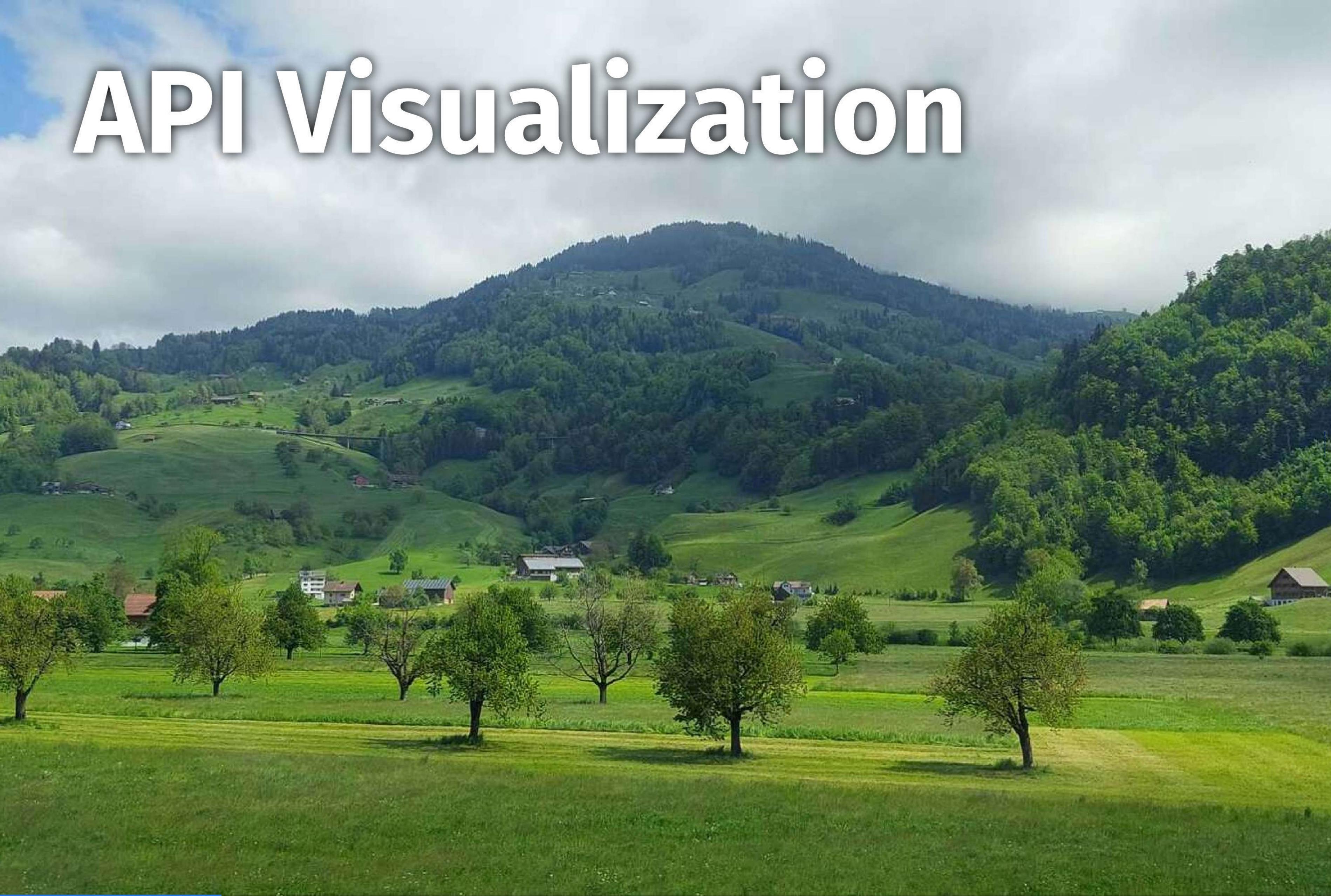
Microservice architectures are based on the hypothesis that by keeping components small, this can foster their autonomy and independent evolution. Microservices reframed the modularity issue as a decomposition problem, where APIs are introduced to reconnect separately deployed components. In this talk we will explore a large collection of real-world APIs looking for patterns attempting to illustrate the relationship between size and coupling, both in space and time.







API visualization



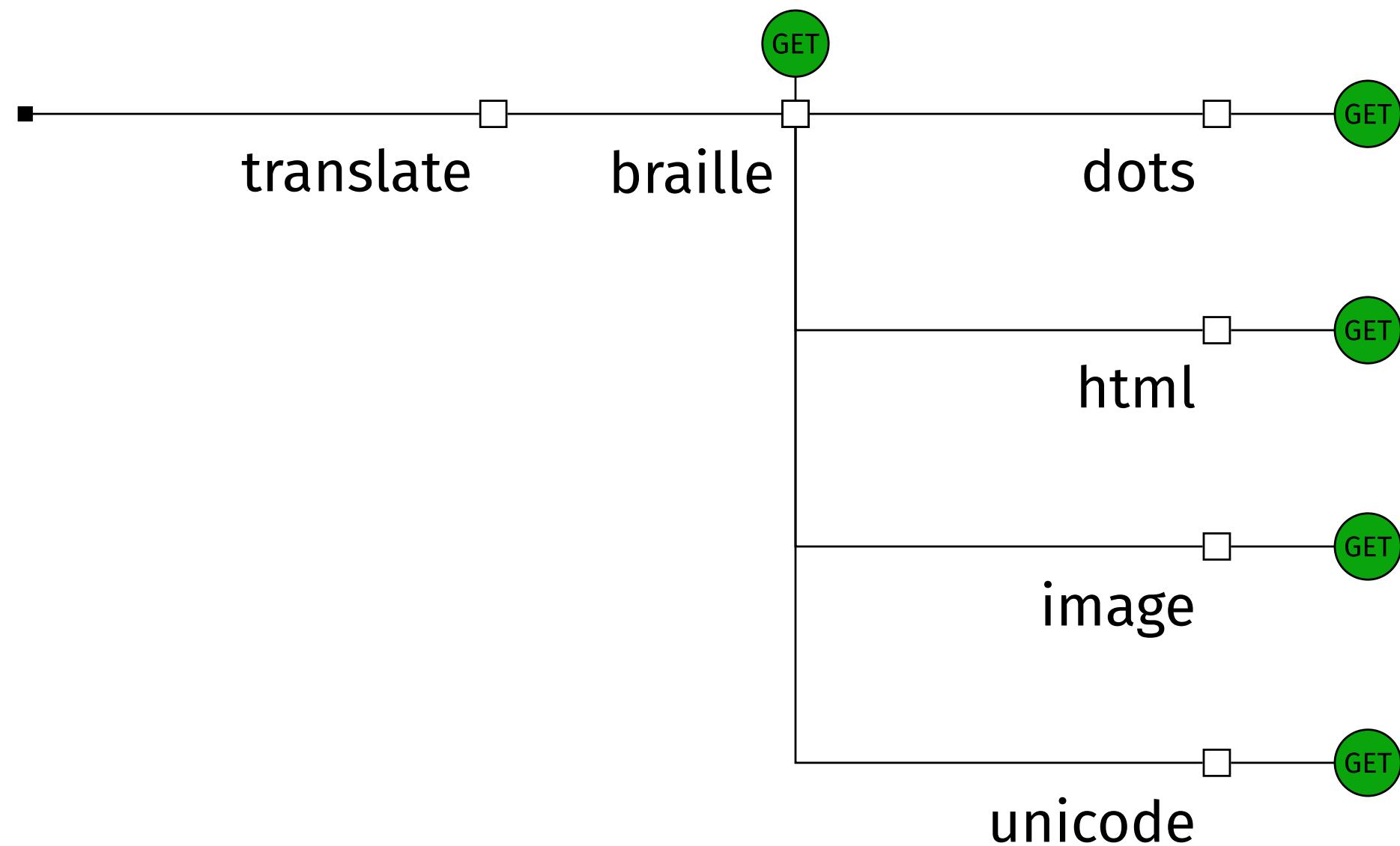
API Design and Evolution Patterns

- Processing Resource
- Information Holder
- Version Identifier
- Two in Production

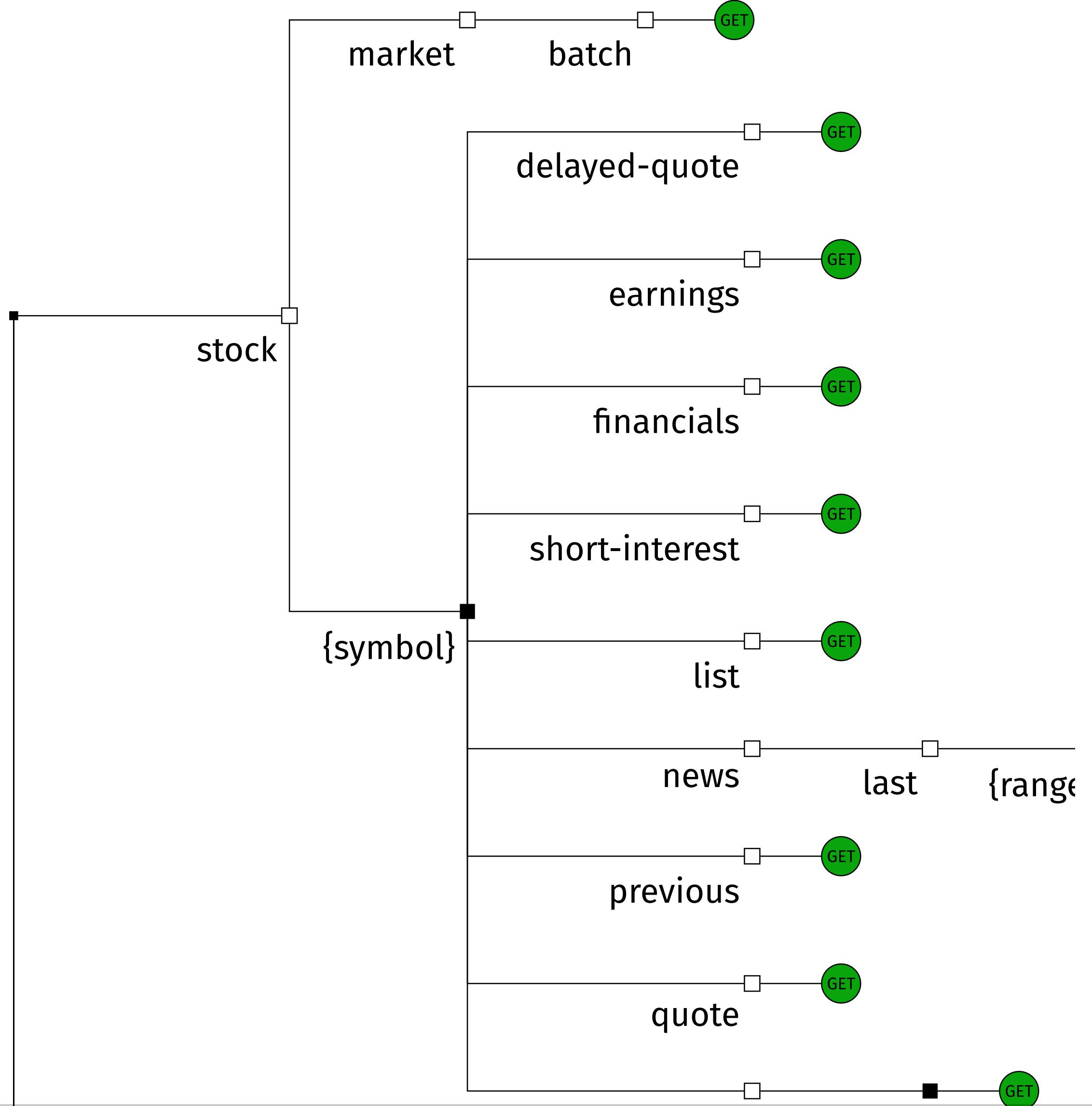
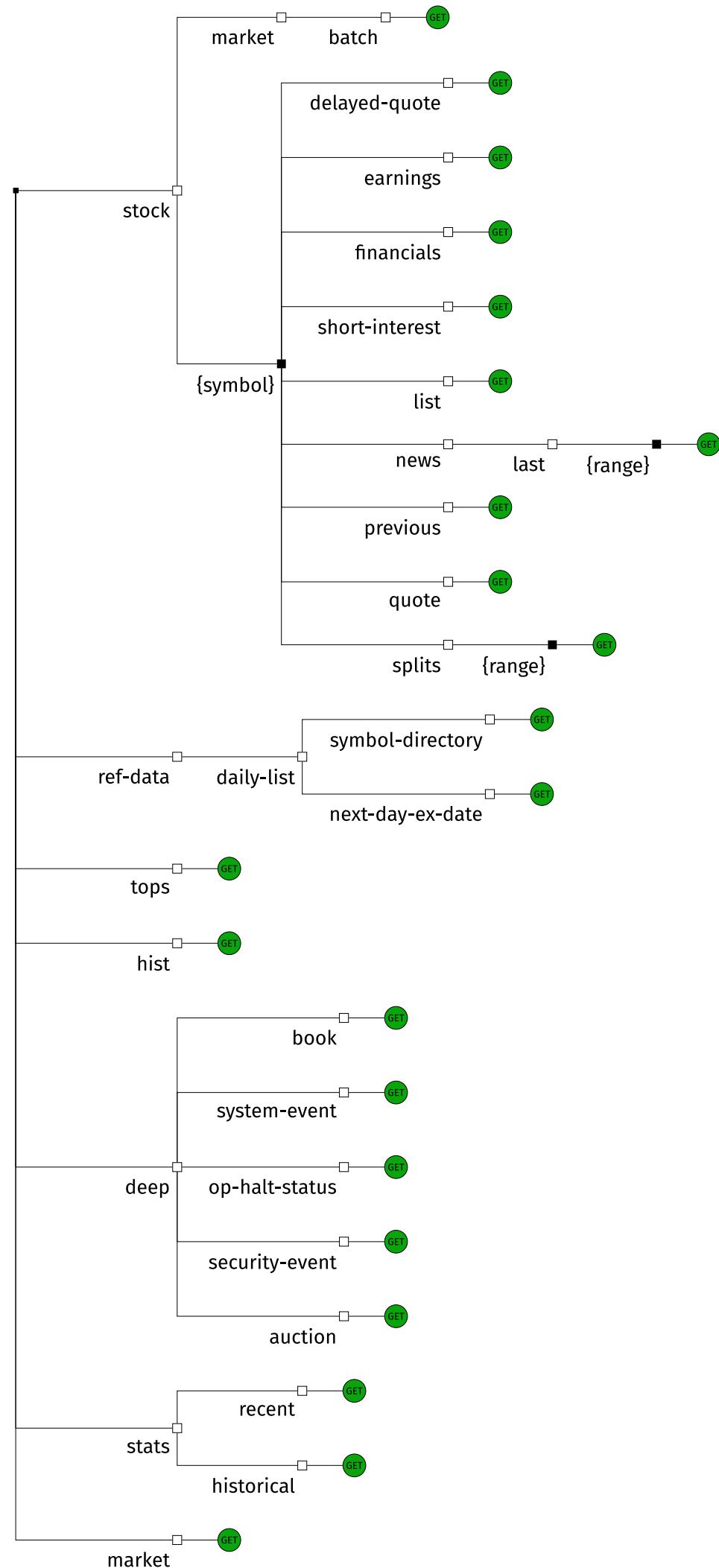
Operations = Resource Path + Method



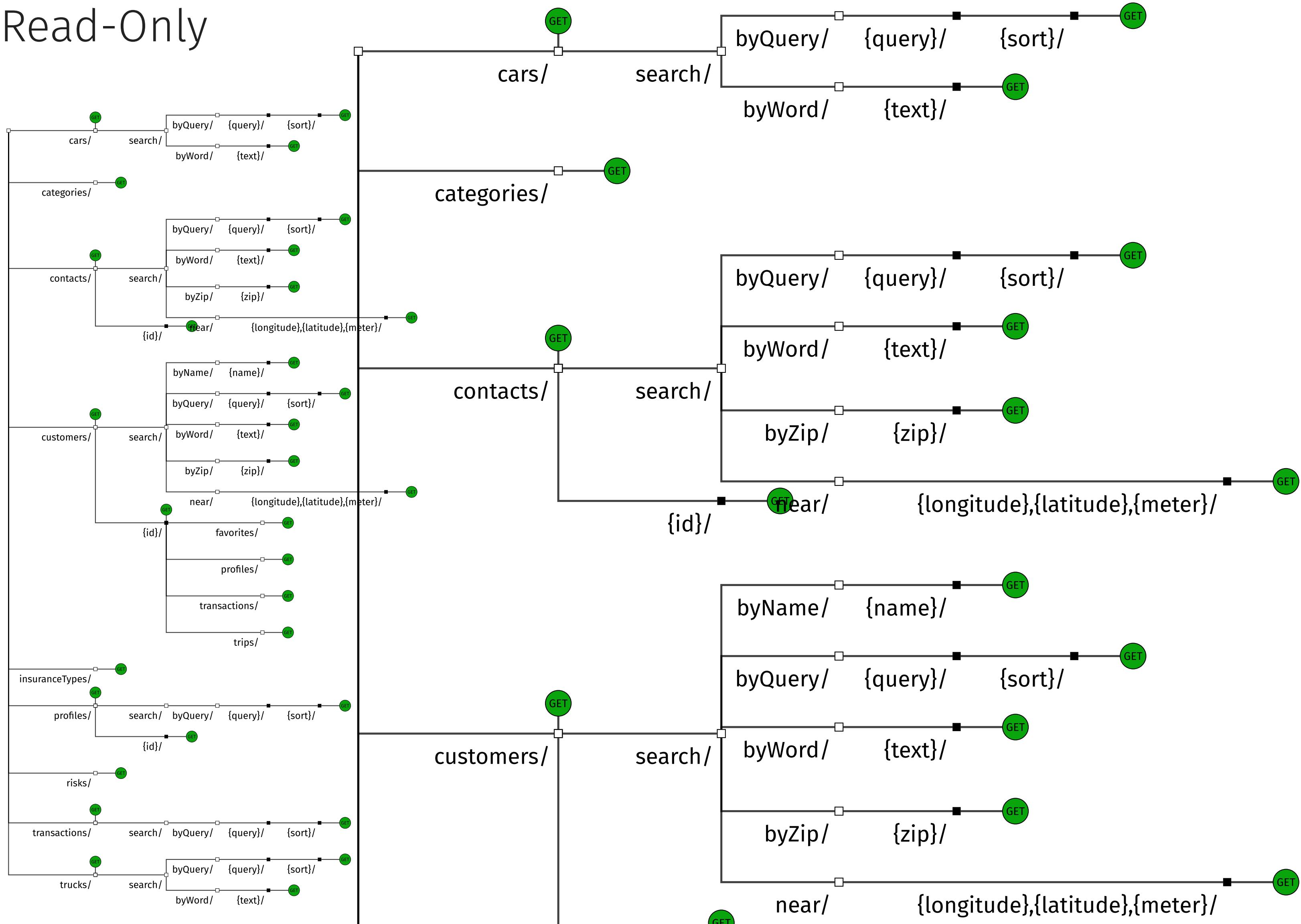
Multiple Representations



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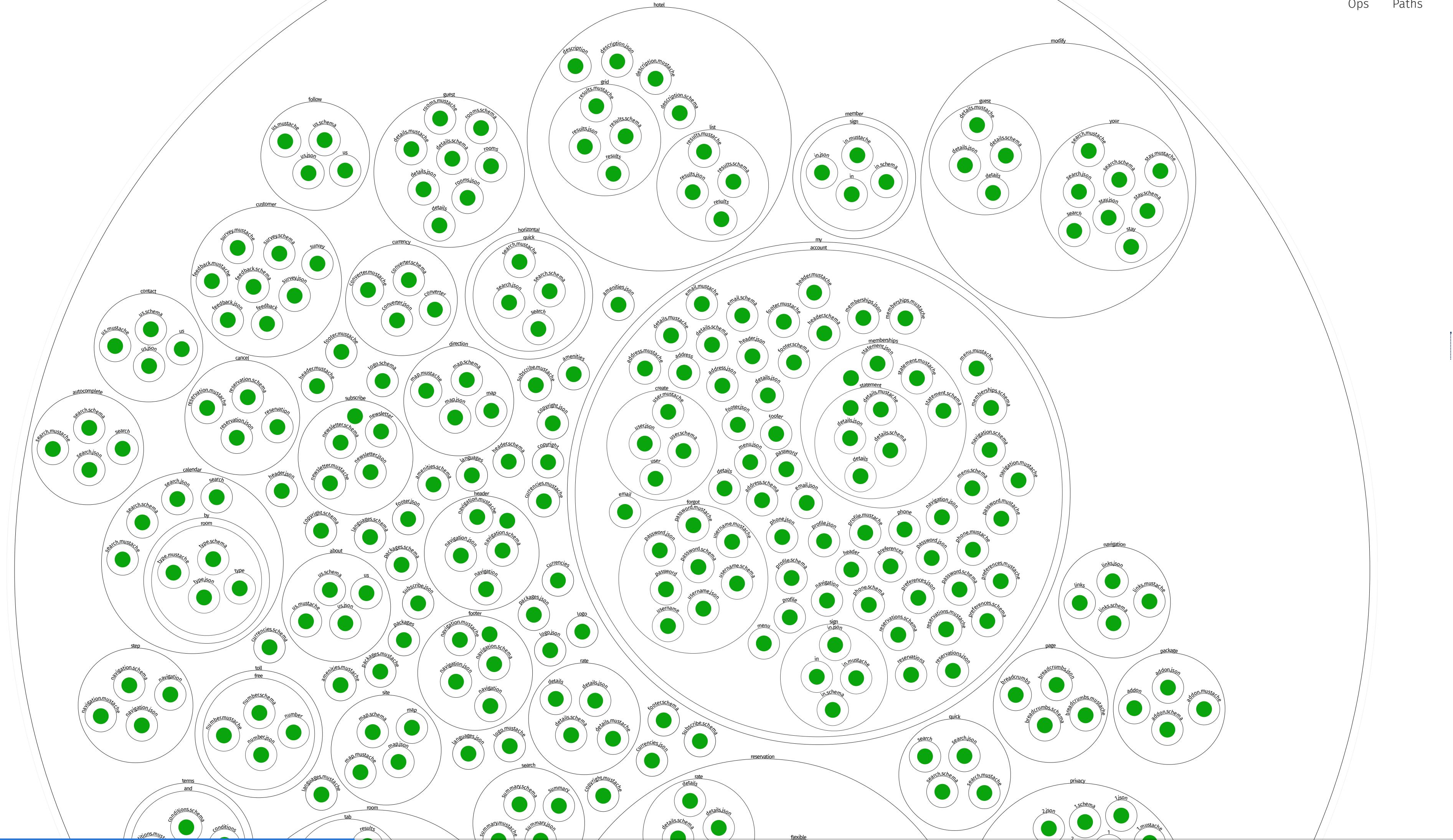
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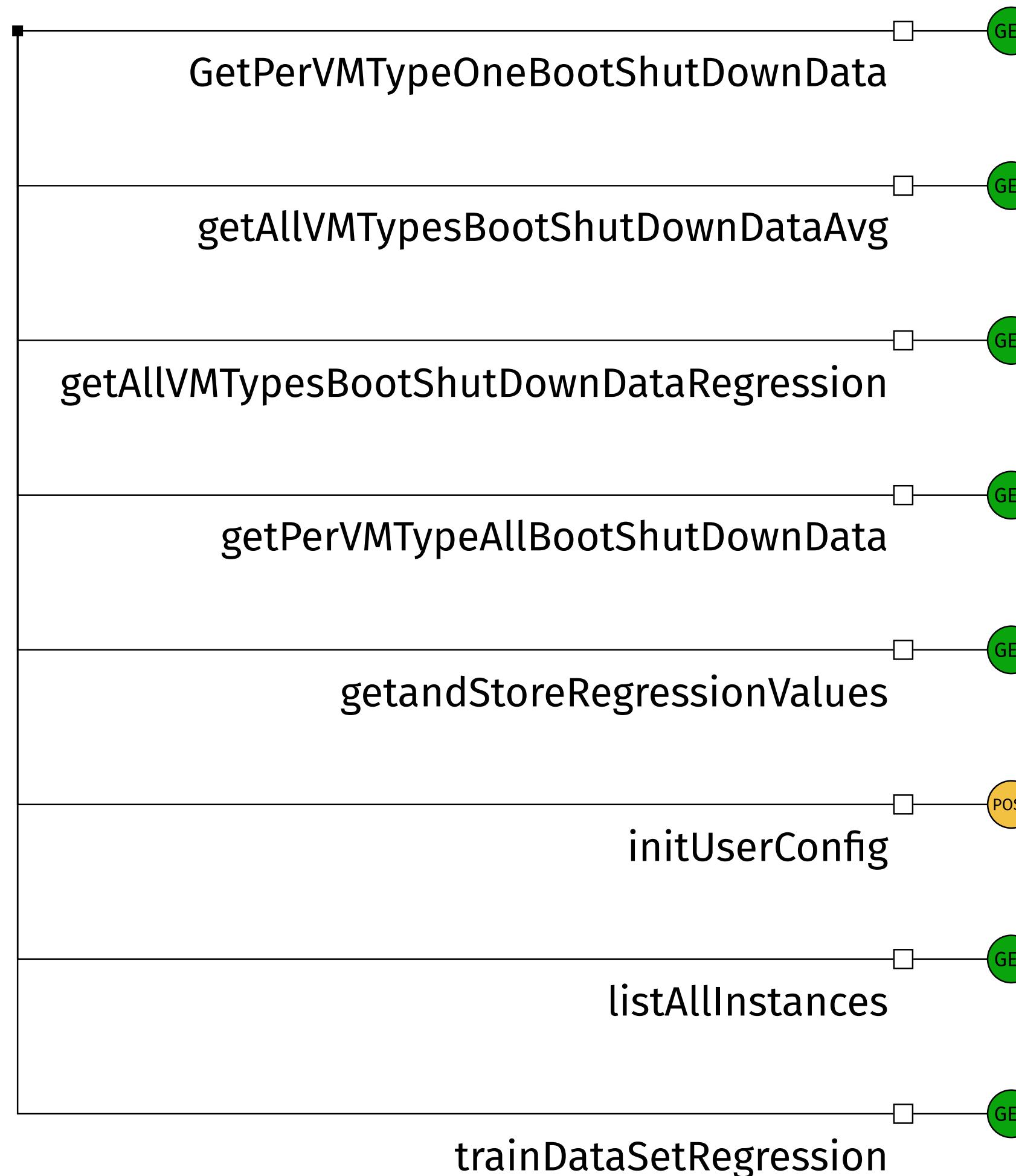
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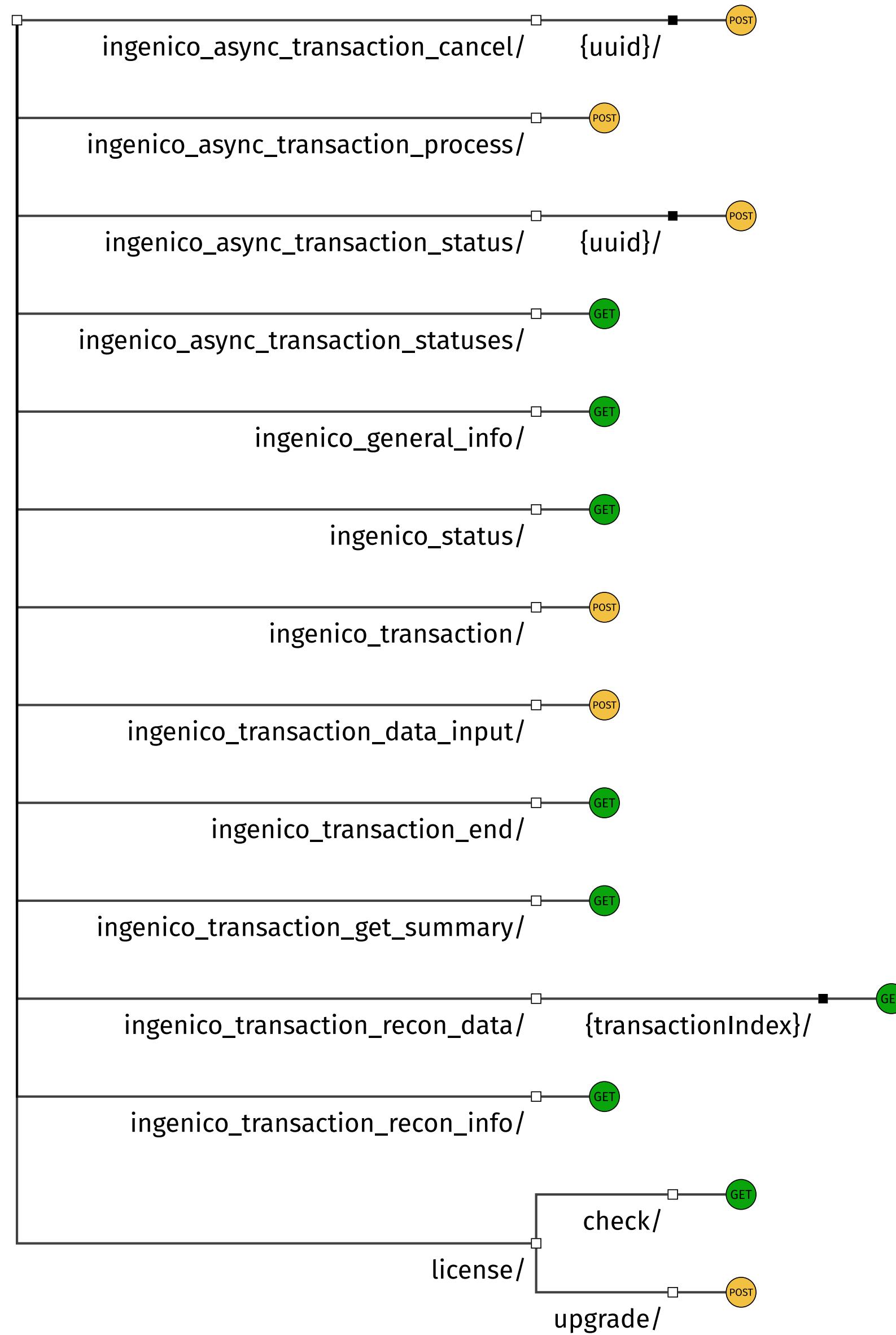
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Ops Paths



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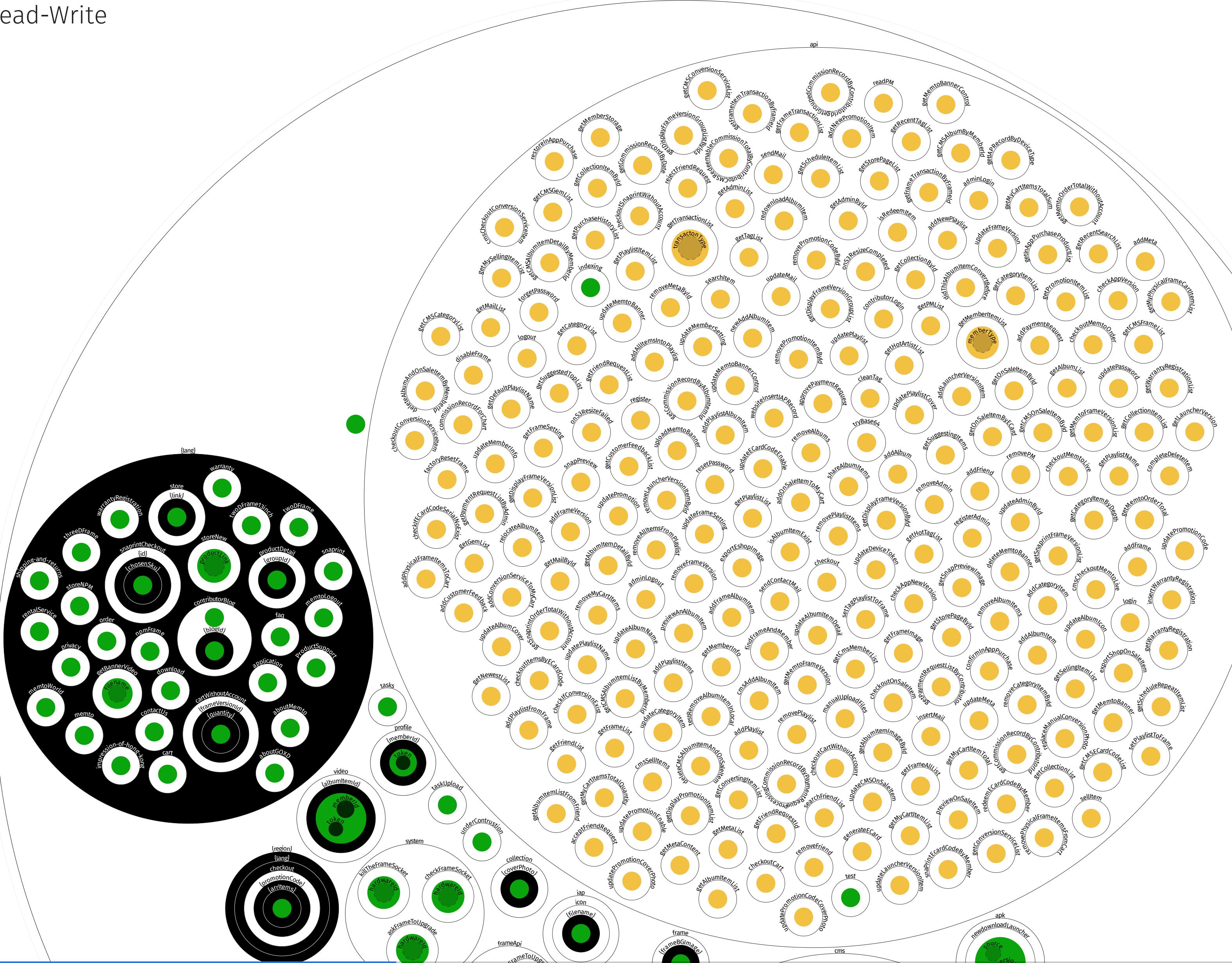
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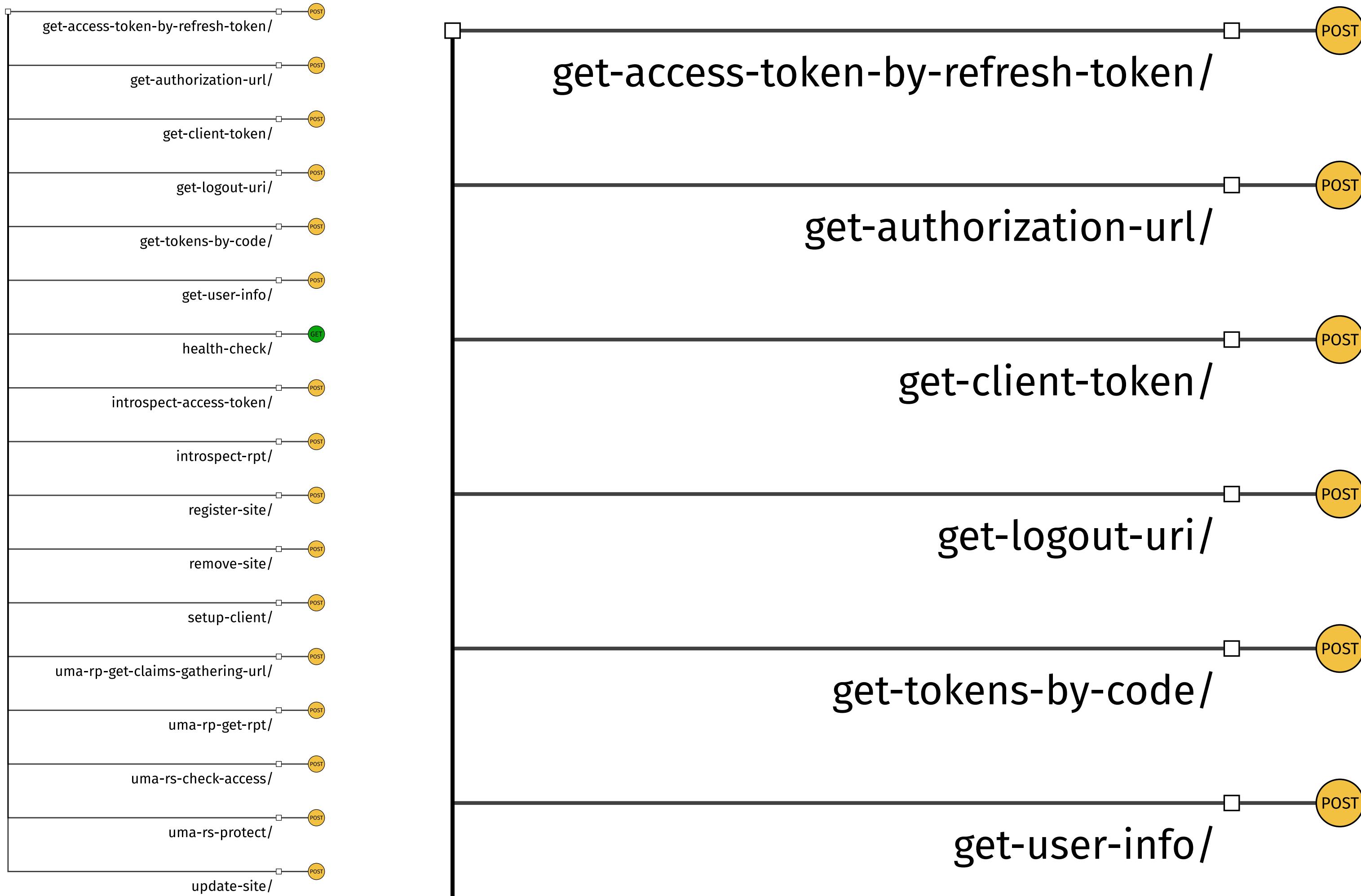
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335 Ops 335 Paths



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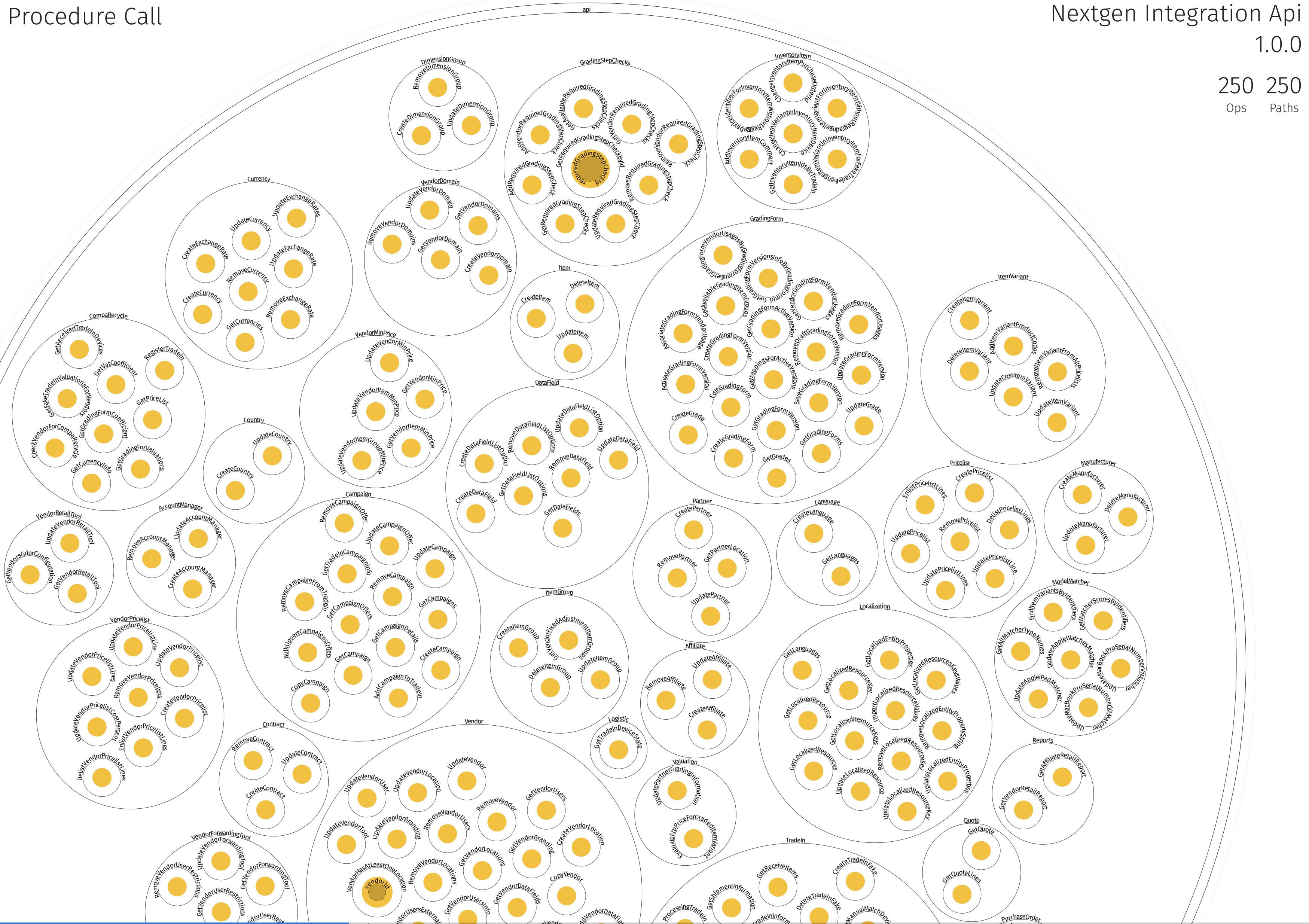


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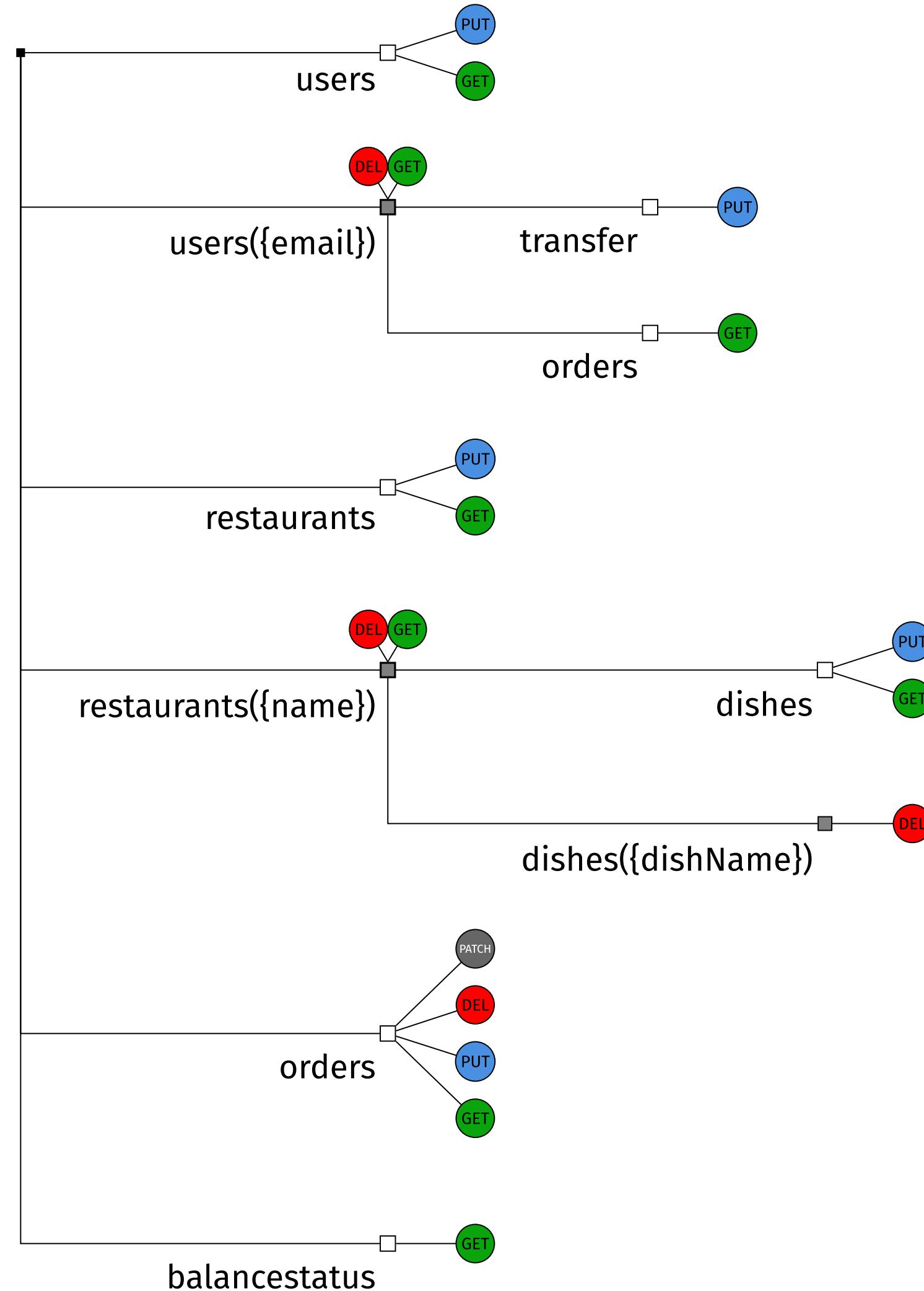
Nextgen Integration API

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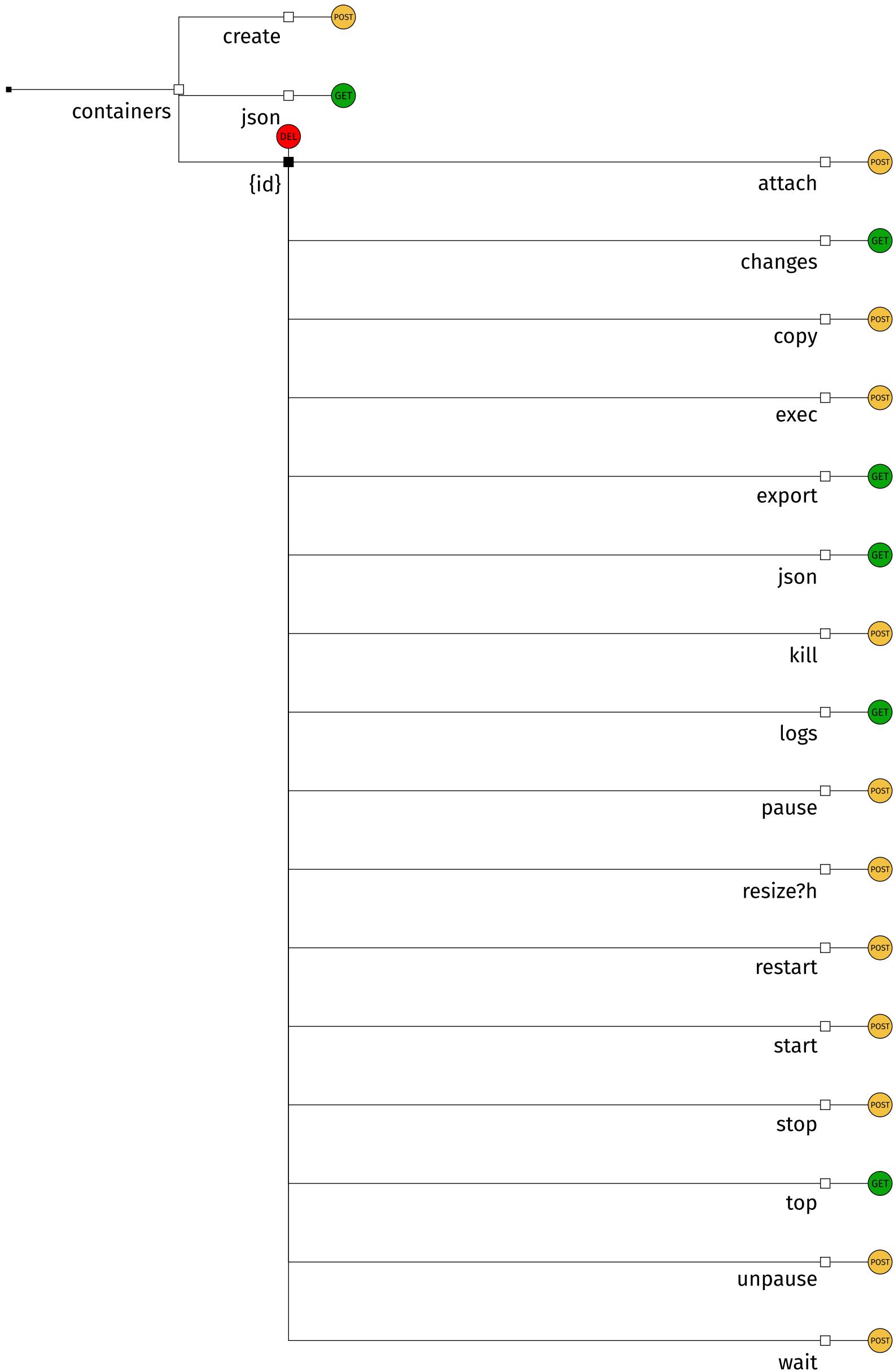
250 Ops 250 Paths



POST-less



METHOD .../action



Processing Resource

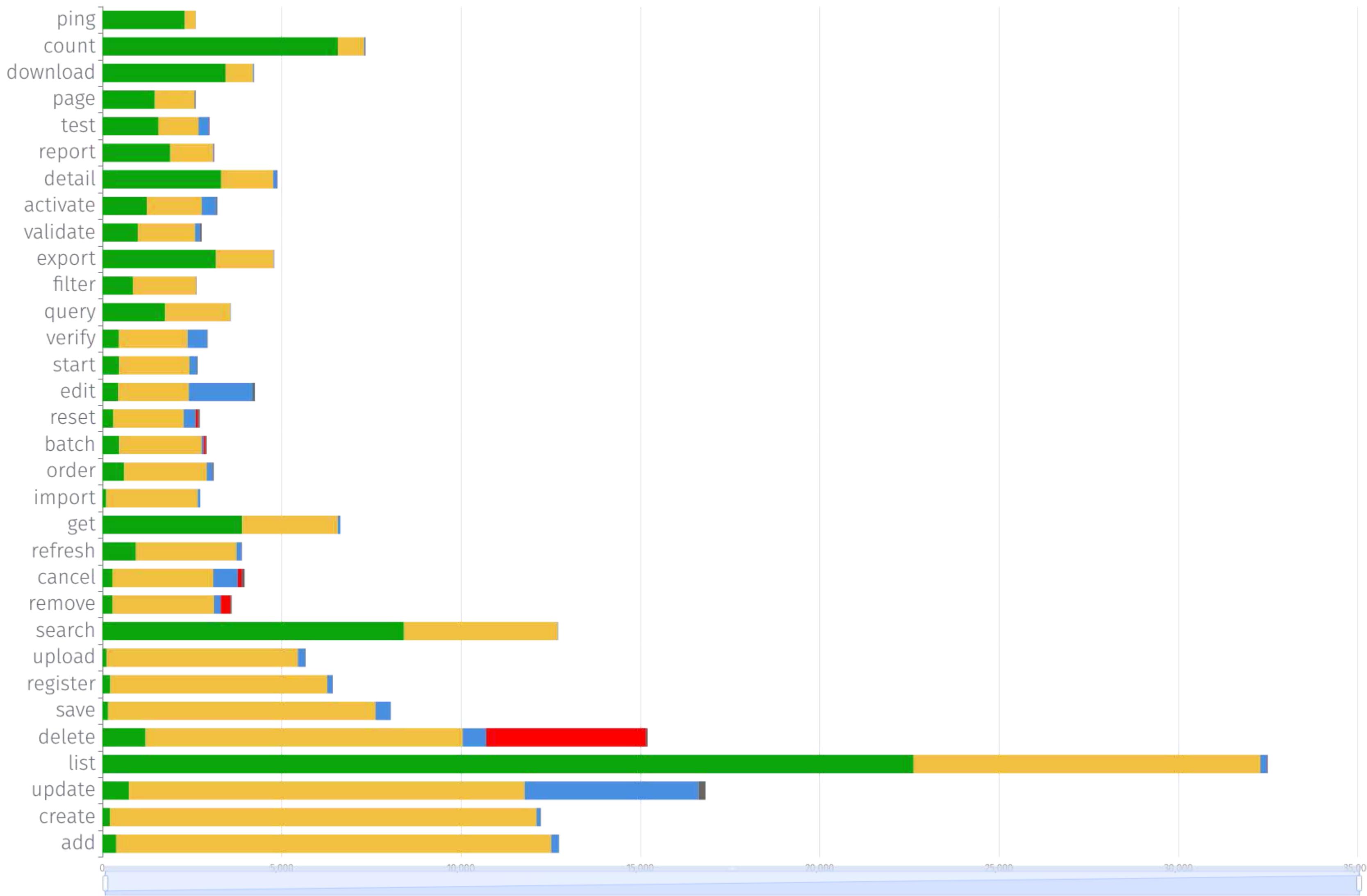
How can an API provider allow its remote clients to trigger actions in it?

Actions → Methods

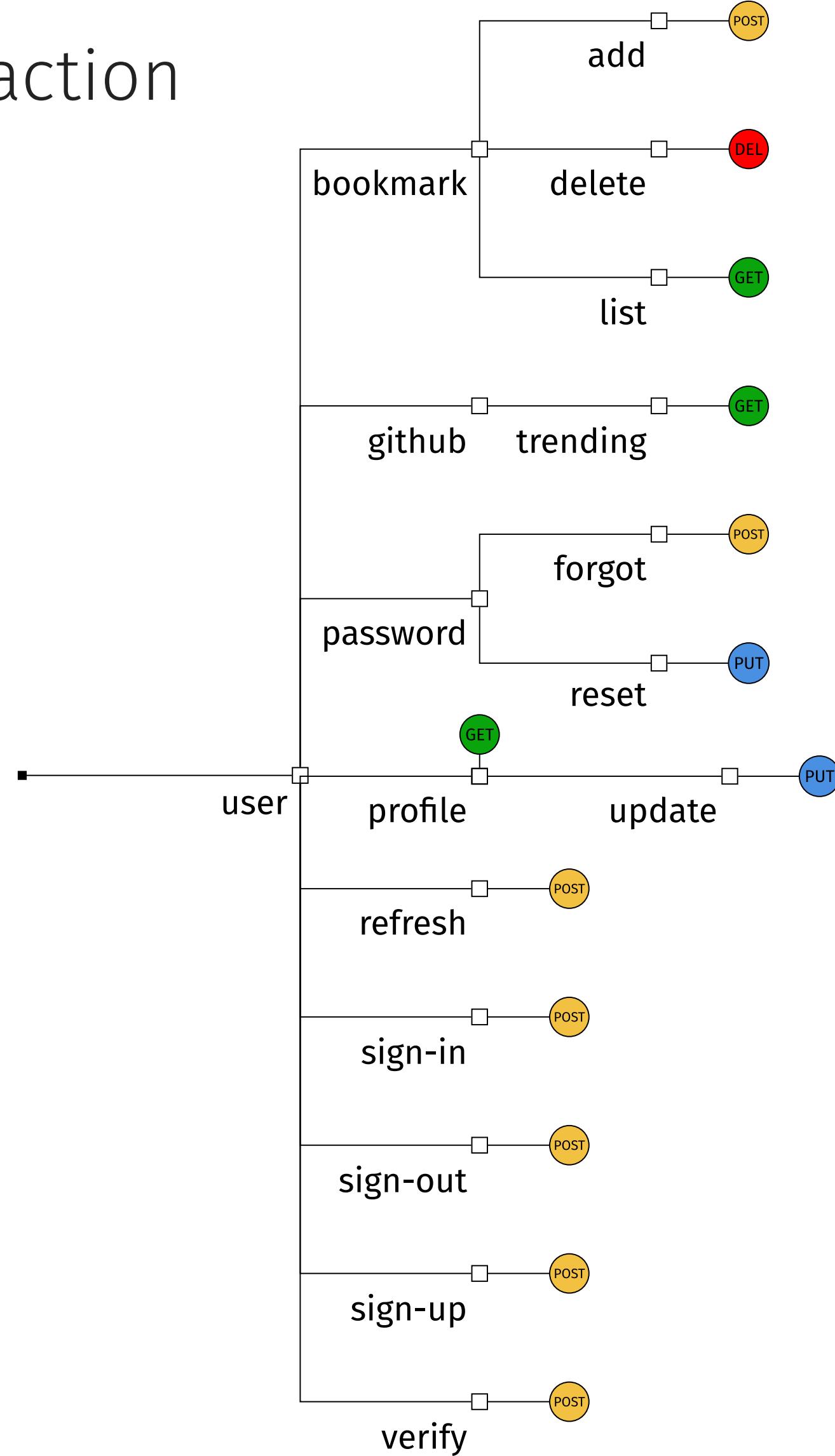
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GET,
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PATCH,
OPTIONS

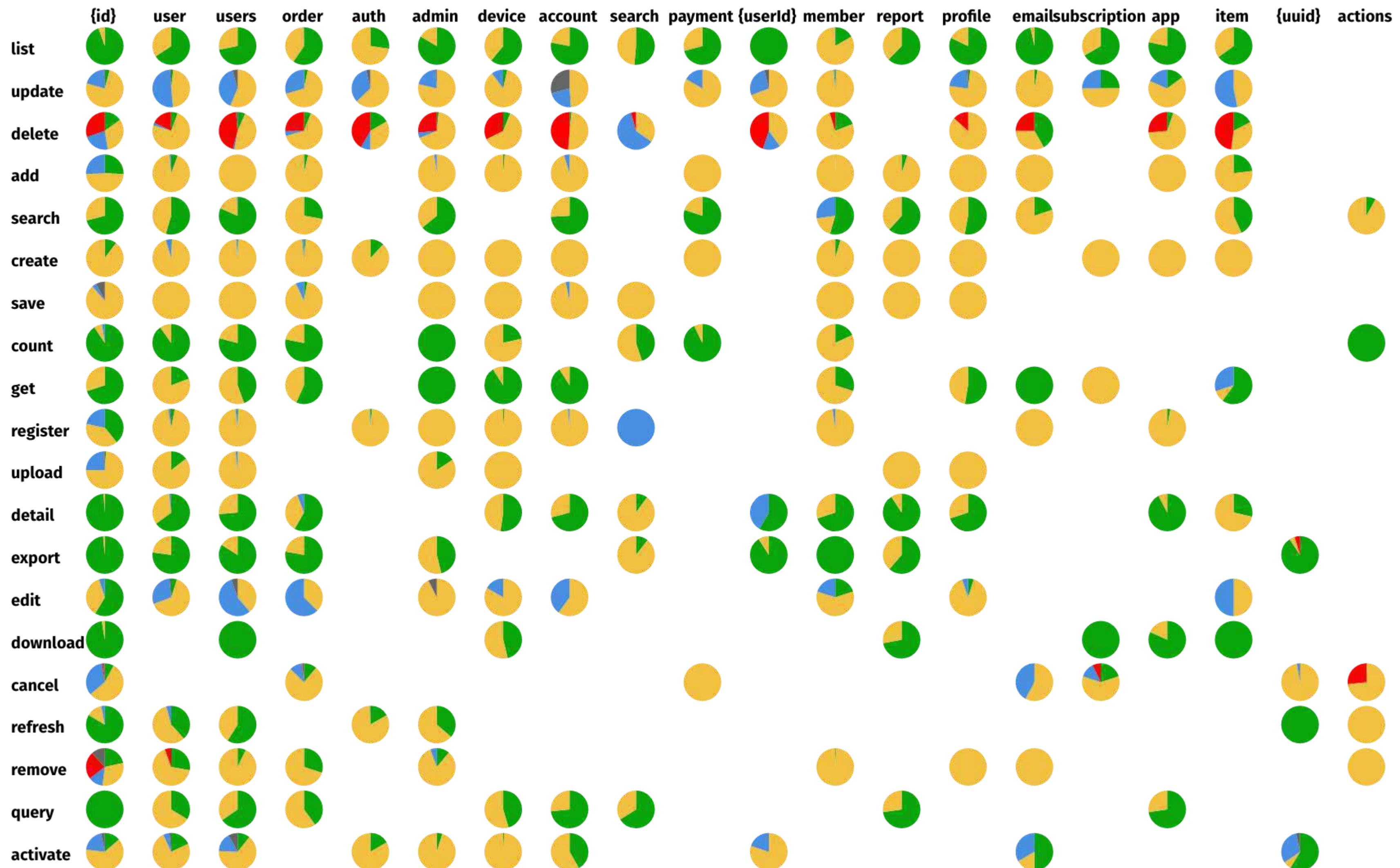
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METHOD .../object/action



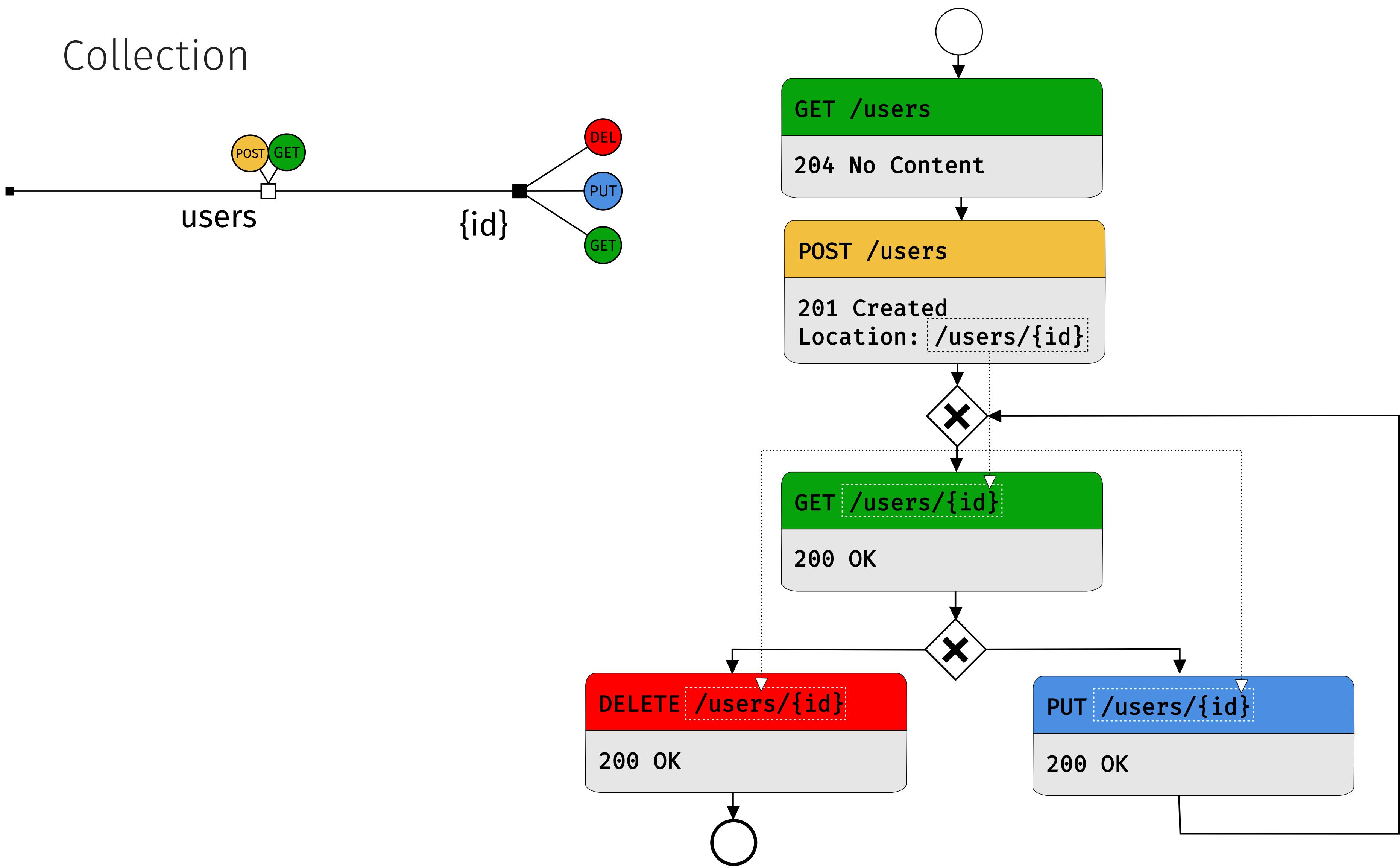
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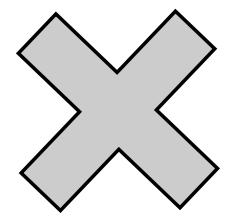
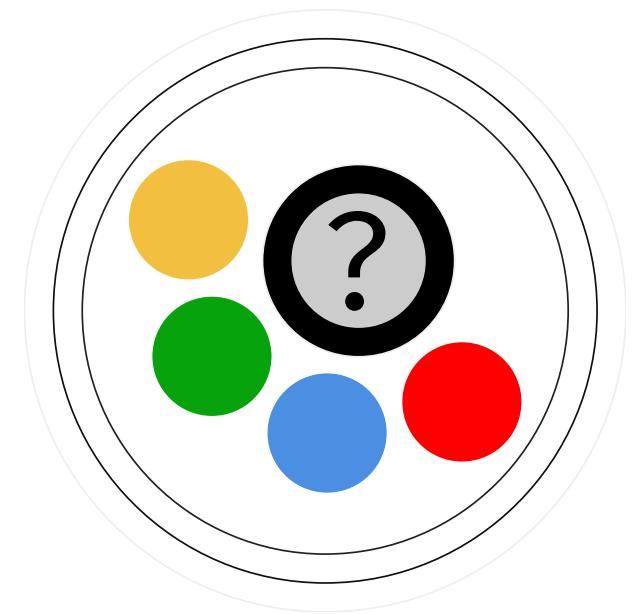
Information Holder

How can an API expose data entities so that API clients can access and/or modify these entities concurrently without compromising data integrity and quality?

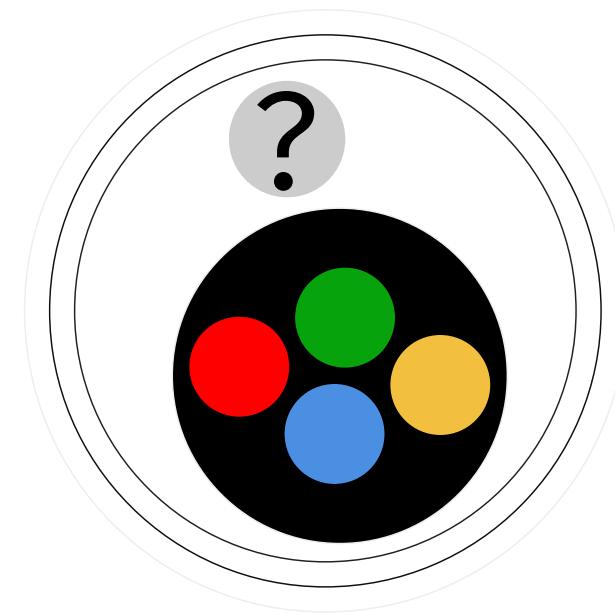
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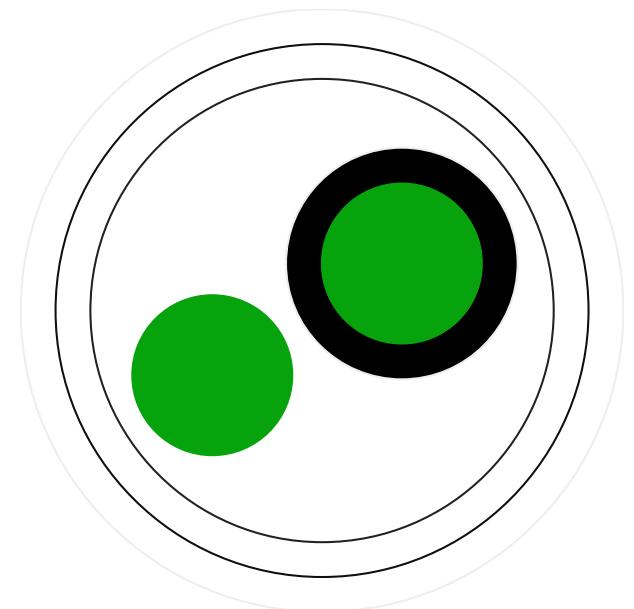
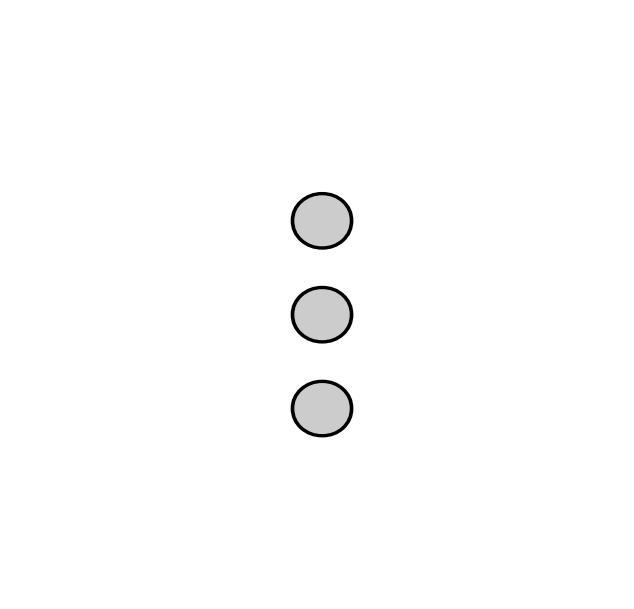
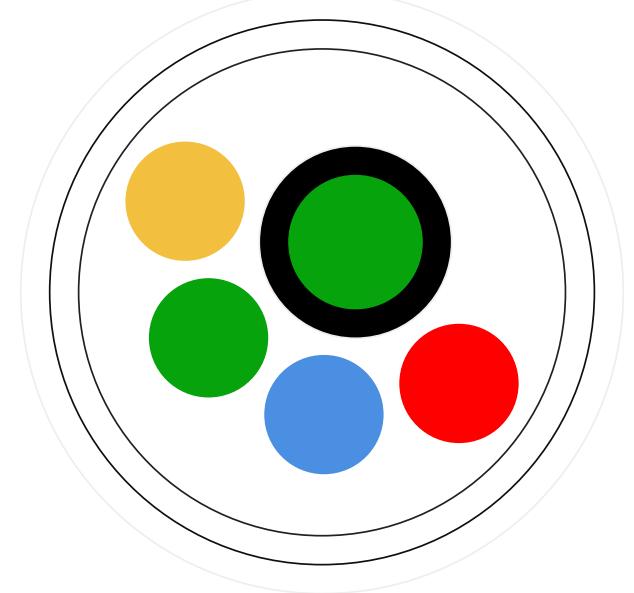
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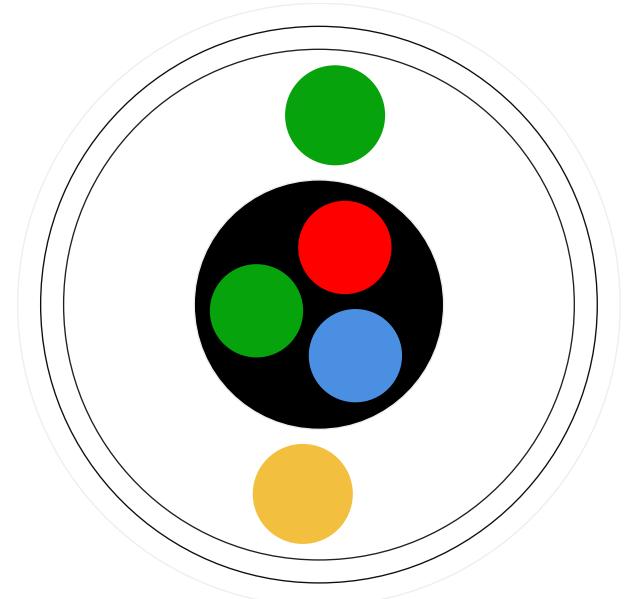
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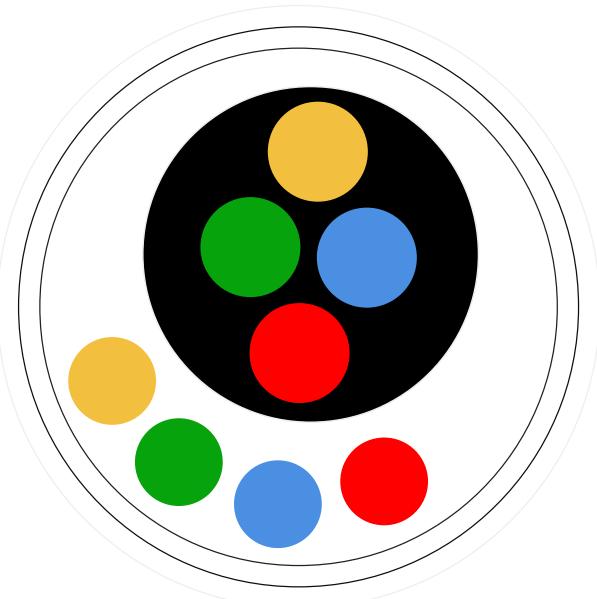
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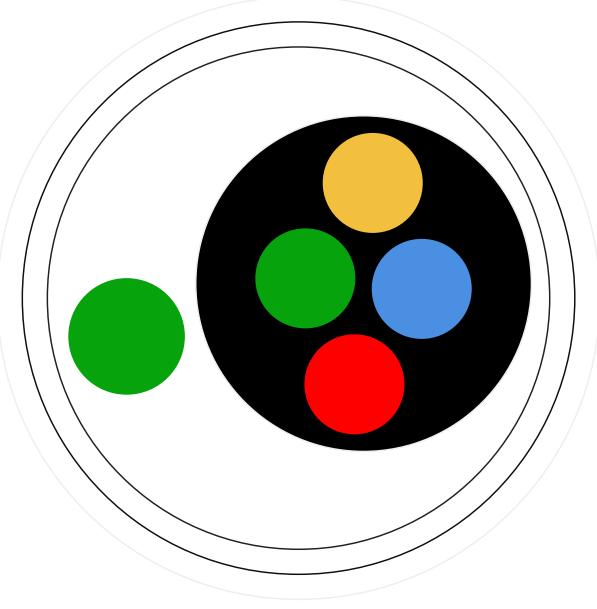
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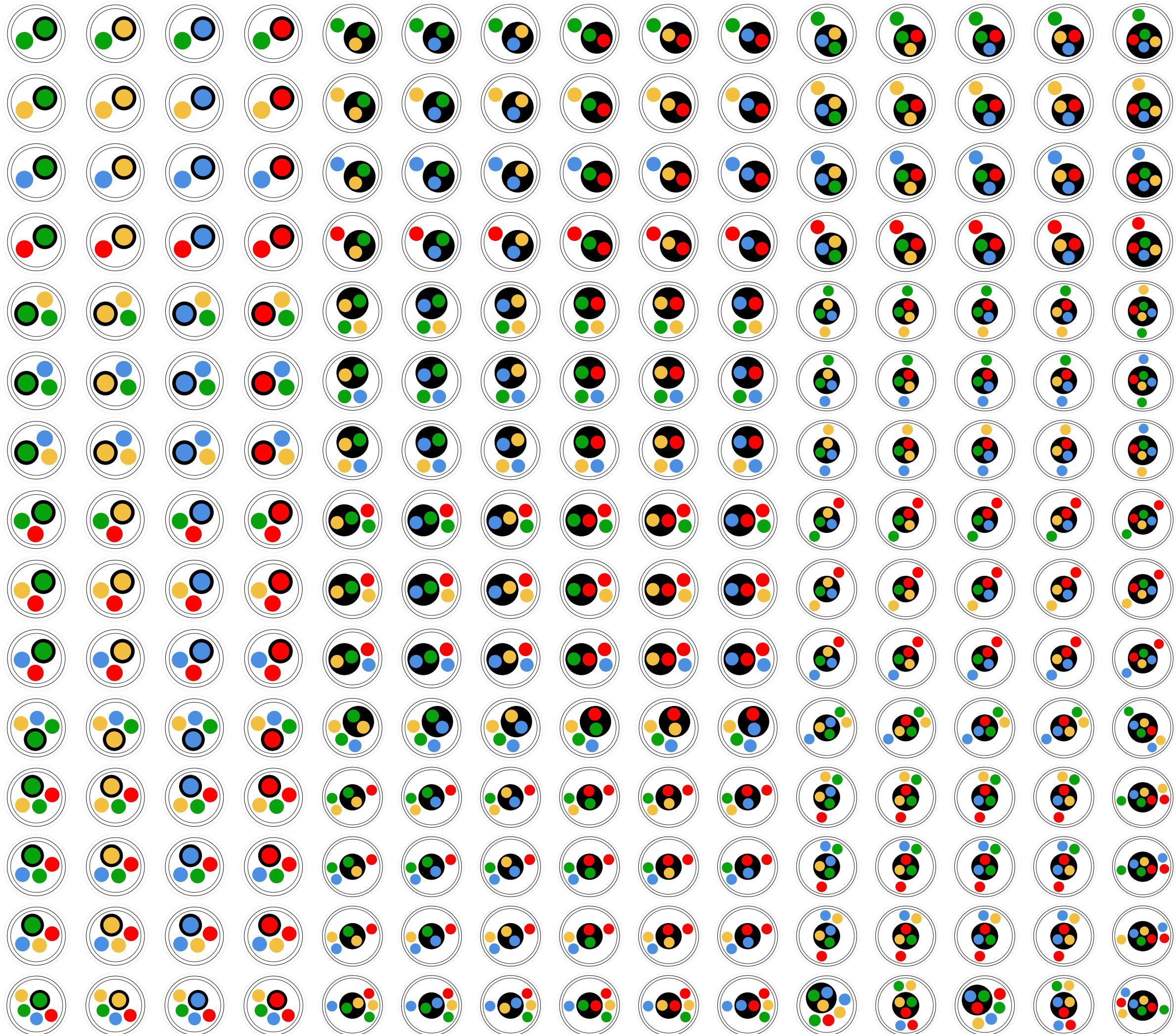


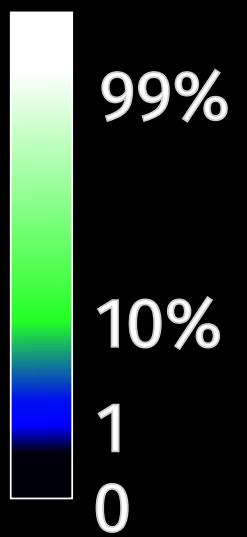
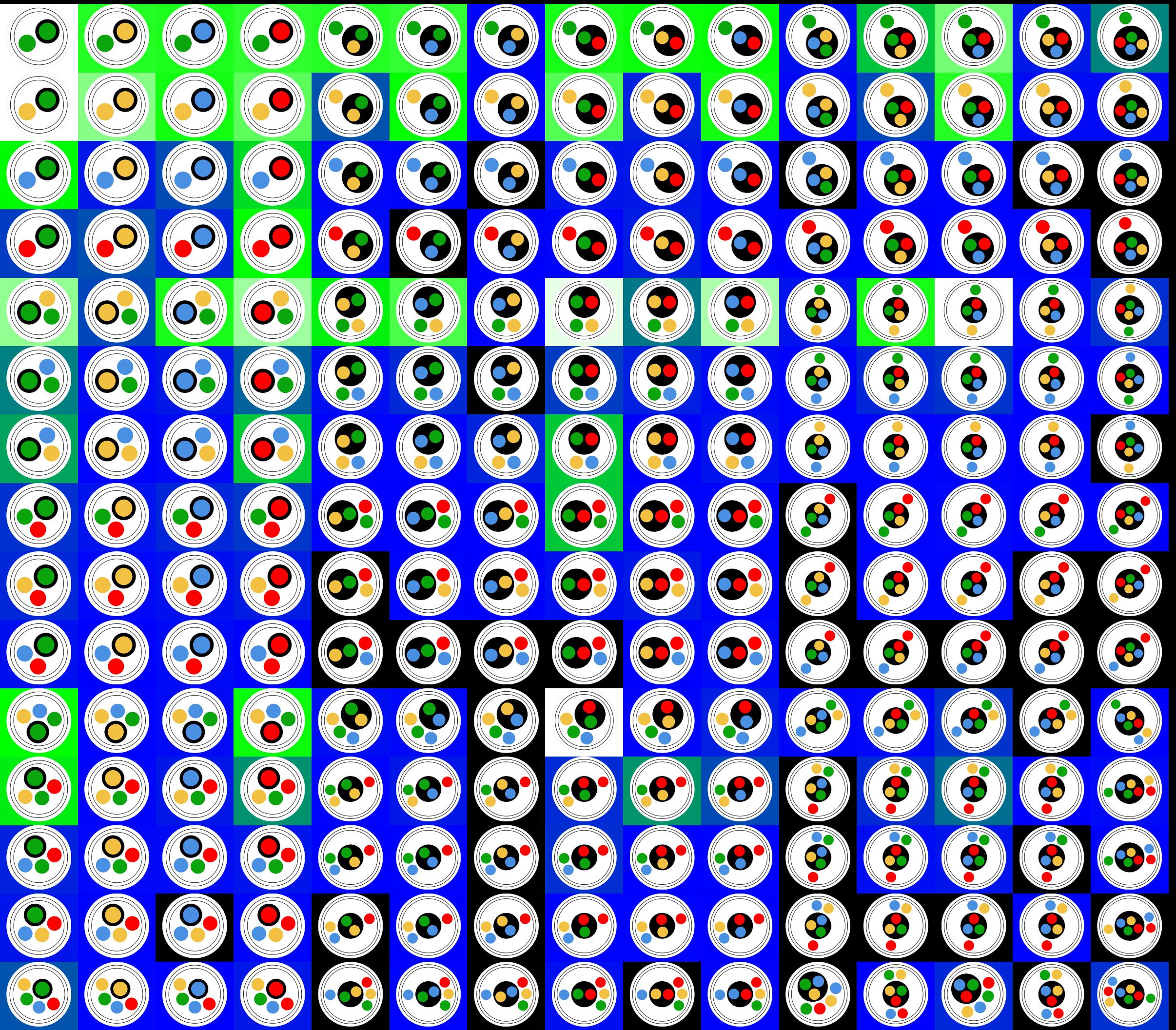
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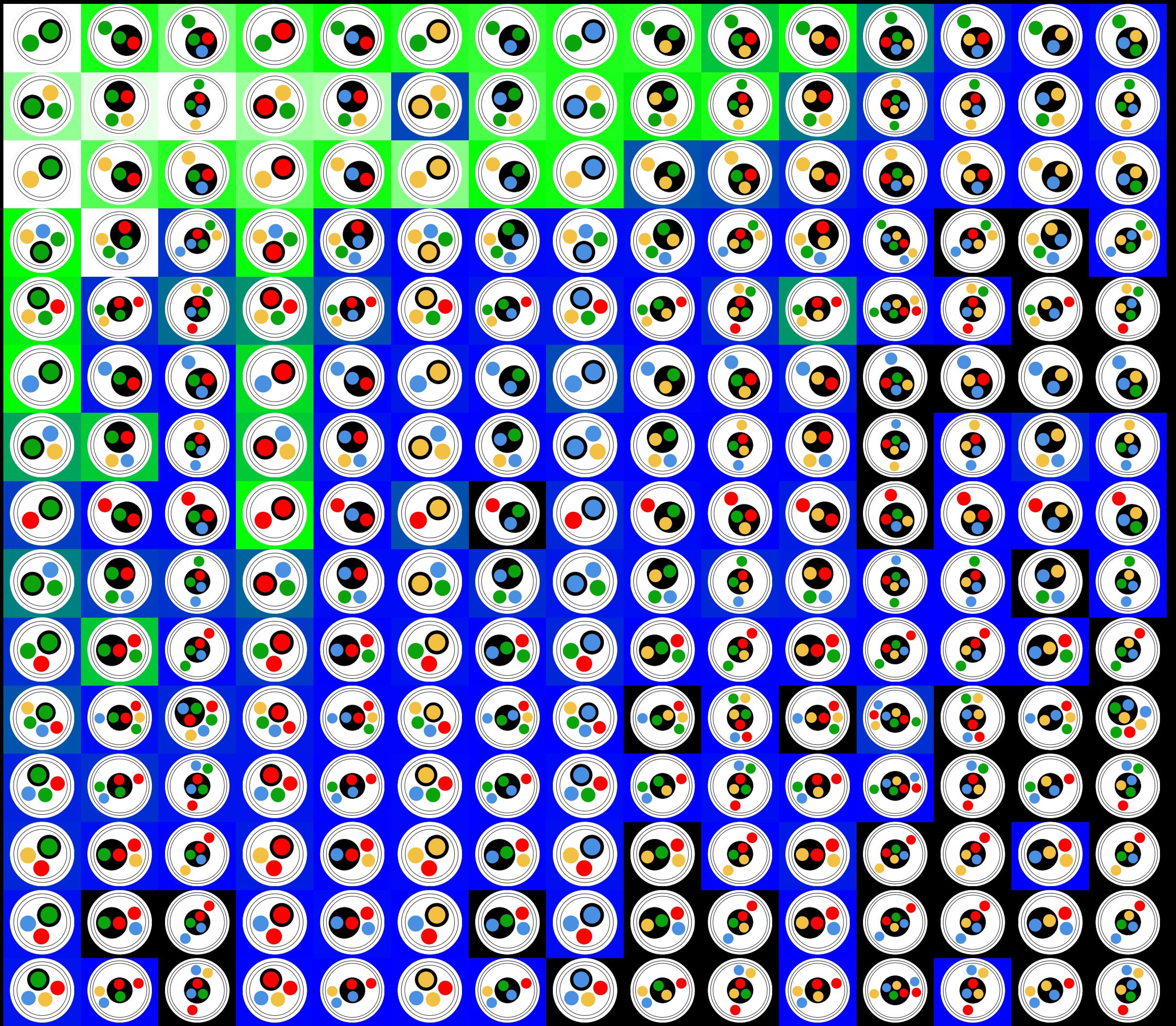


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GET:GET

Kubernetes unversioned

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Ops Paths

GET, POST, DELETE, GET, PATCH, PUT

Main API

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411 146

Ops Paths

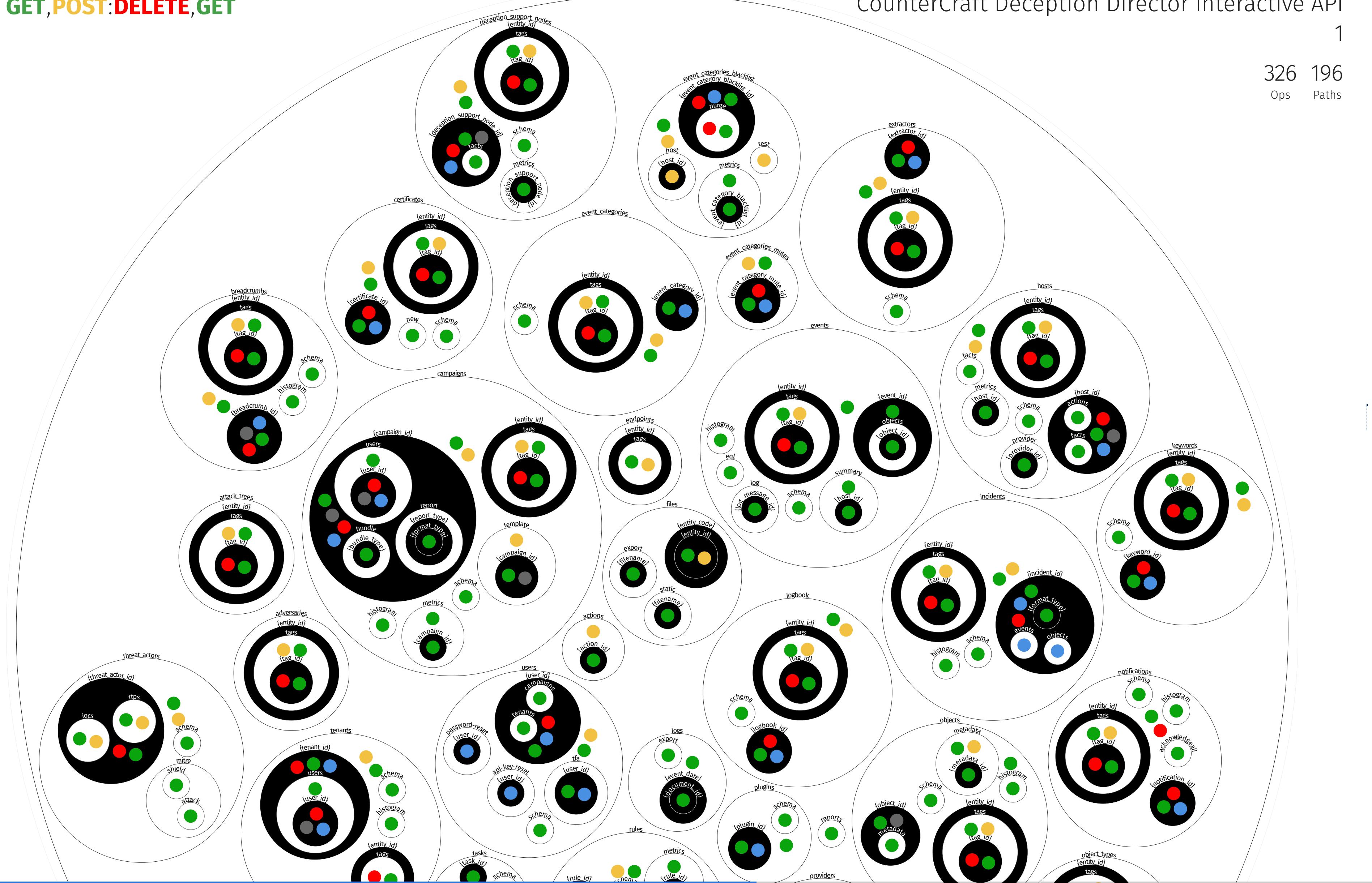
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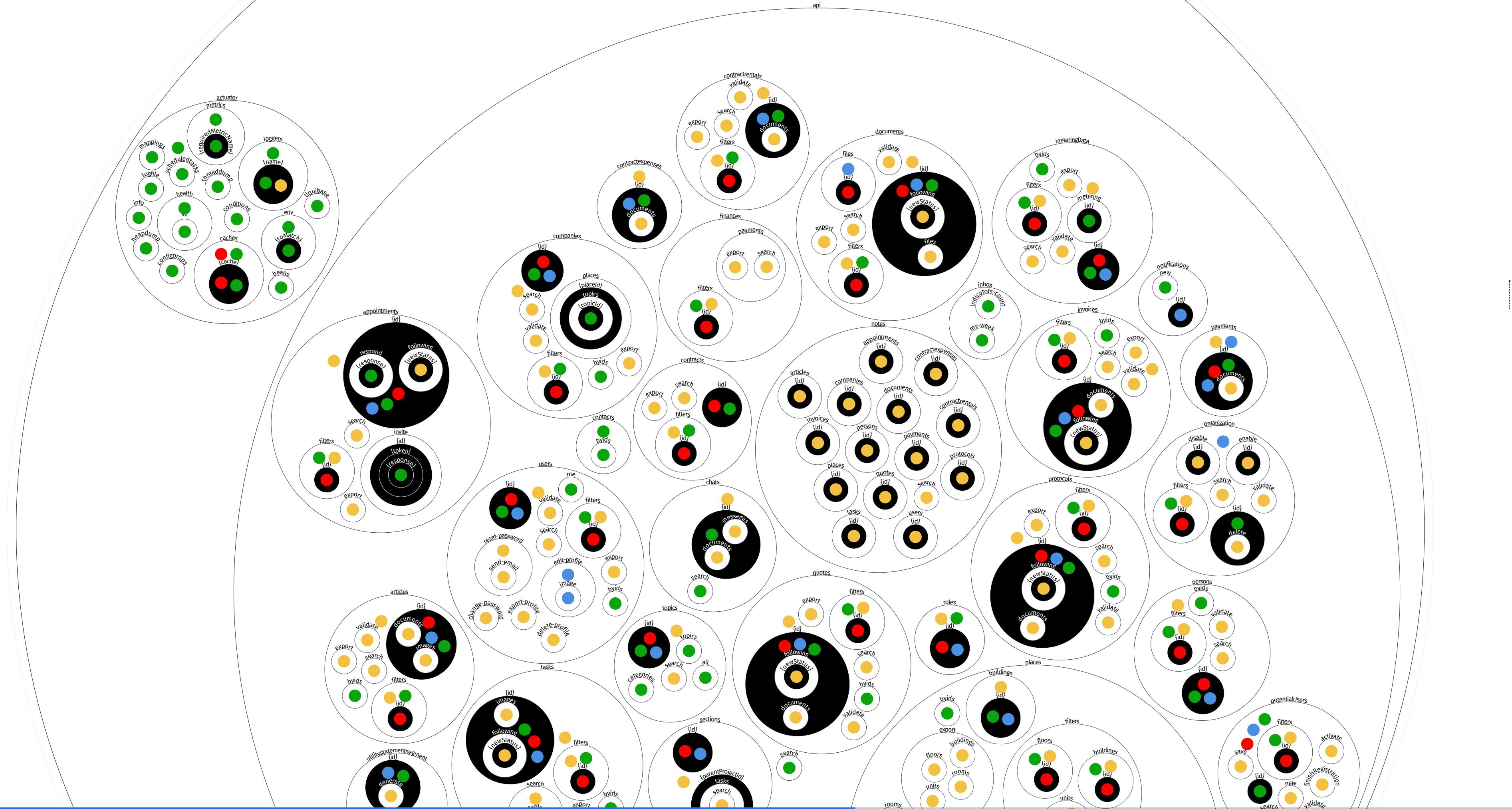
GET, POST: DELETE, GET

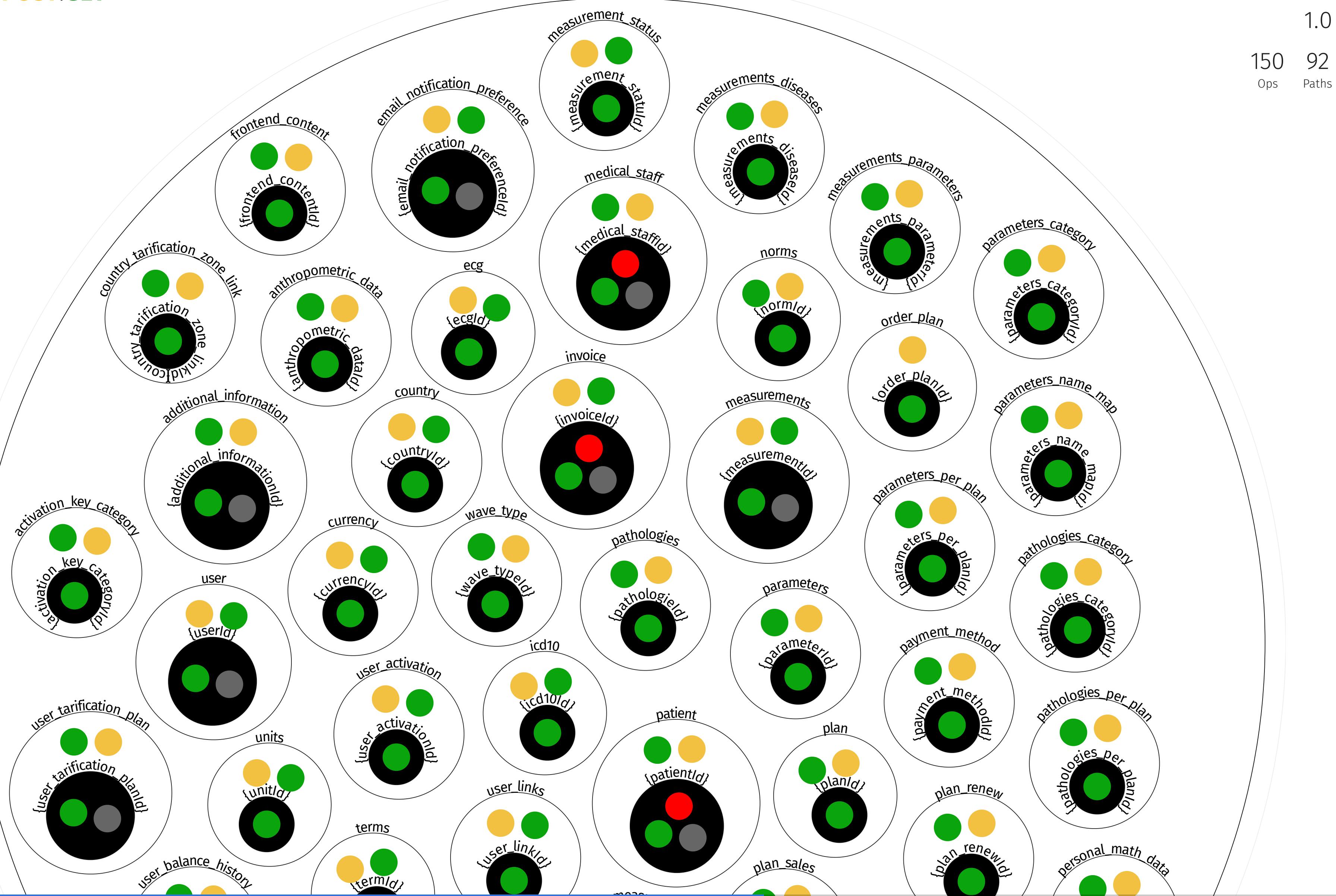
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Ops Paths







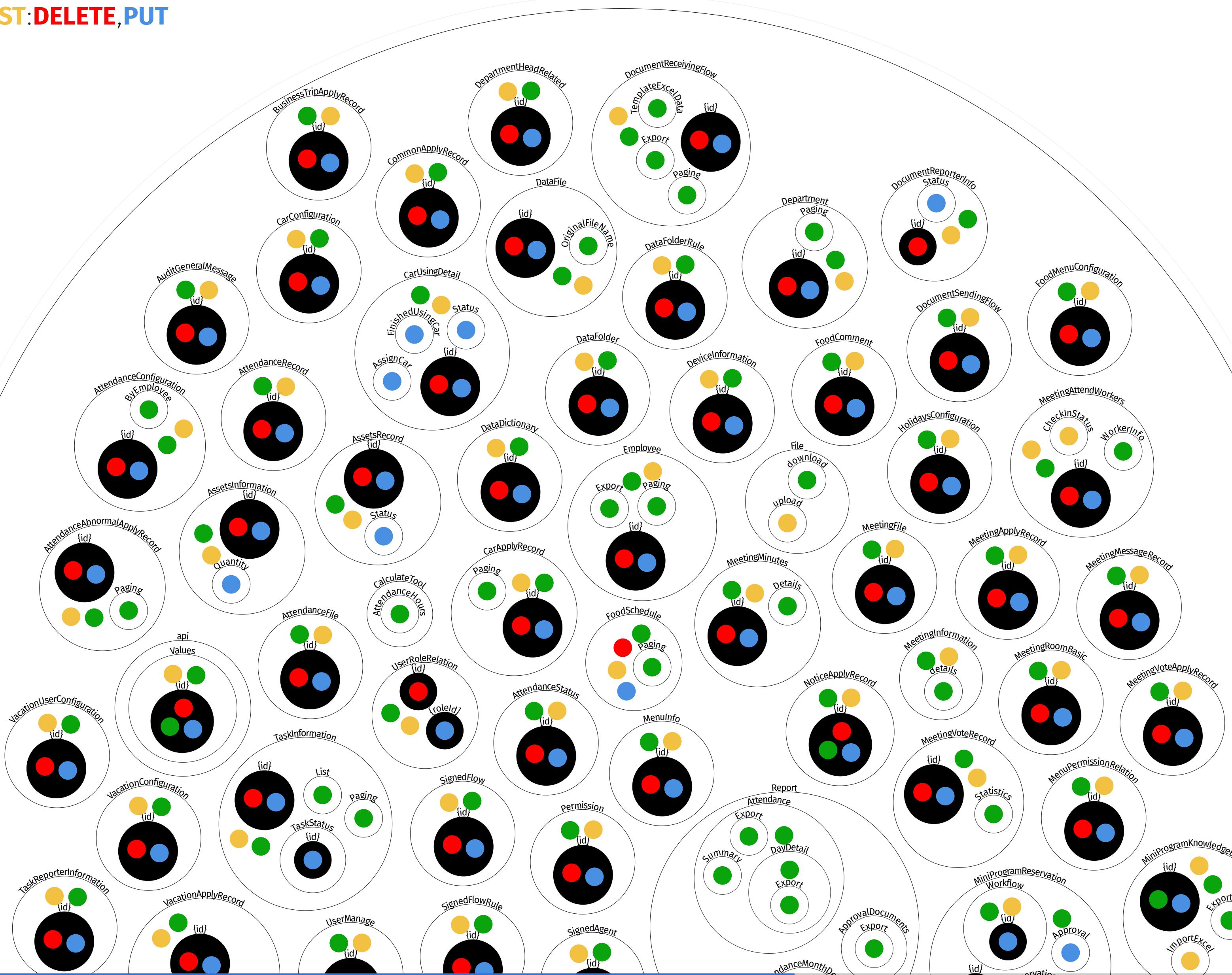
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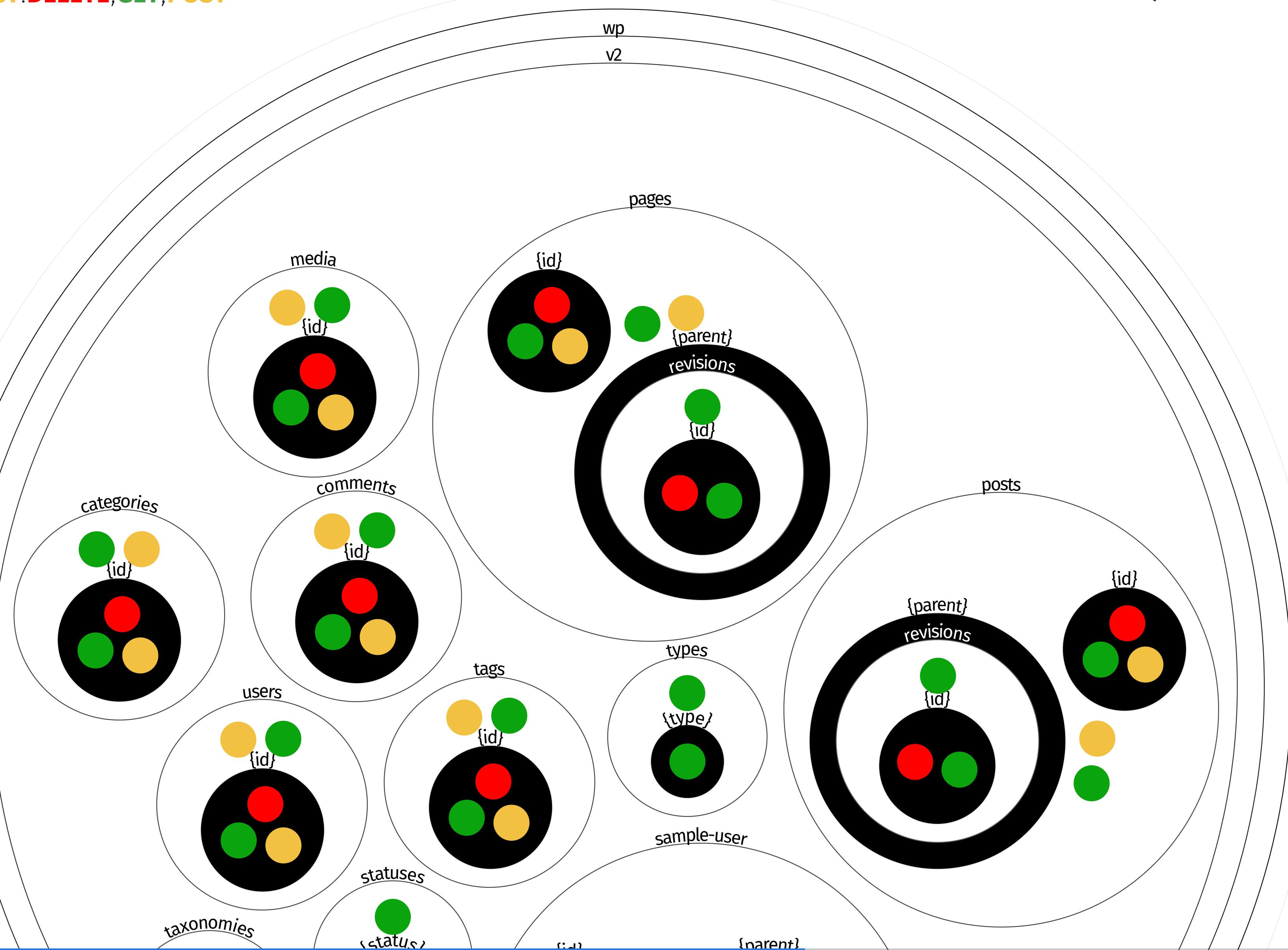
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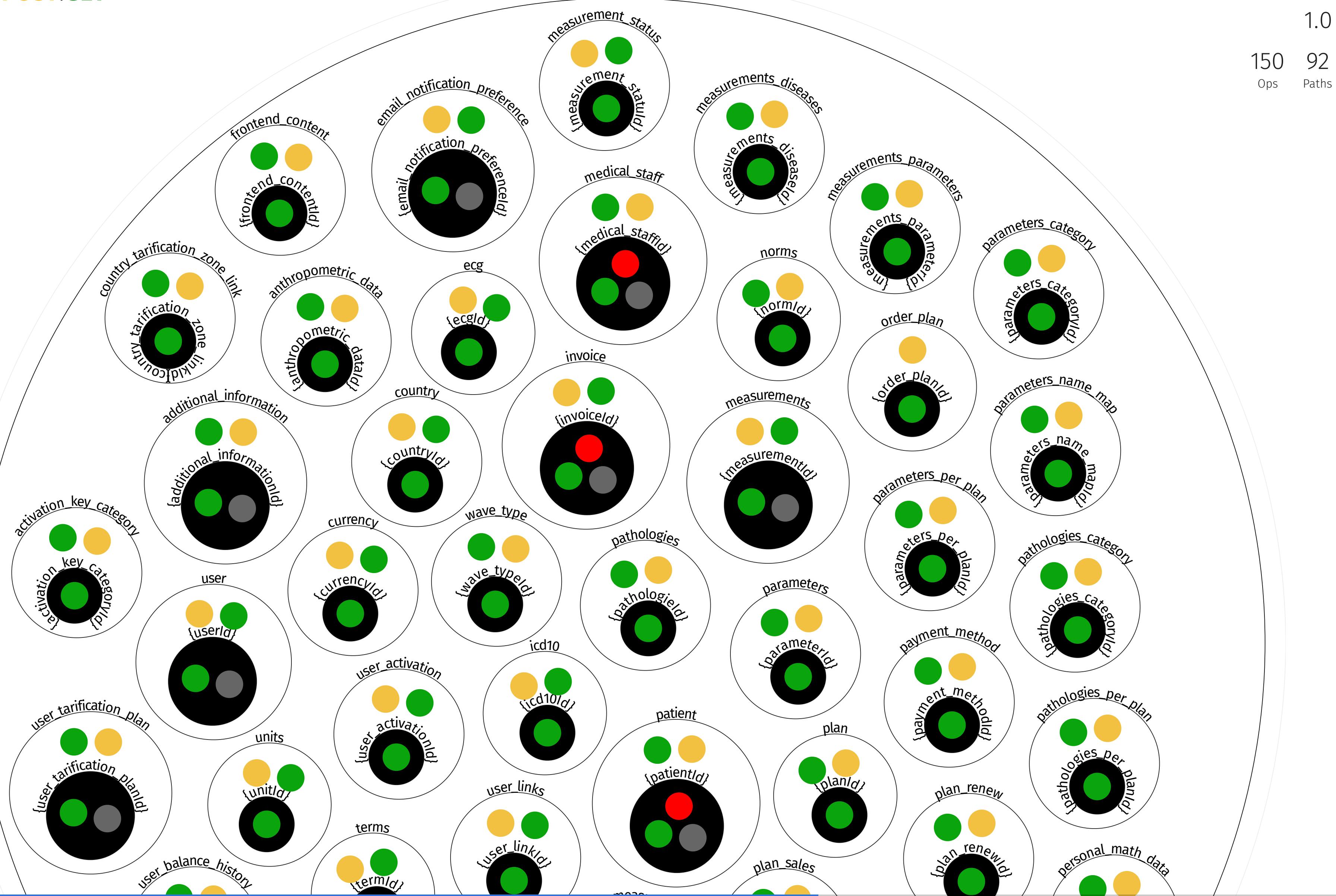
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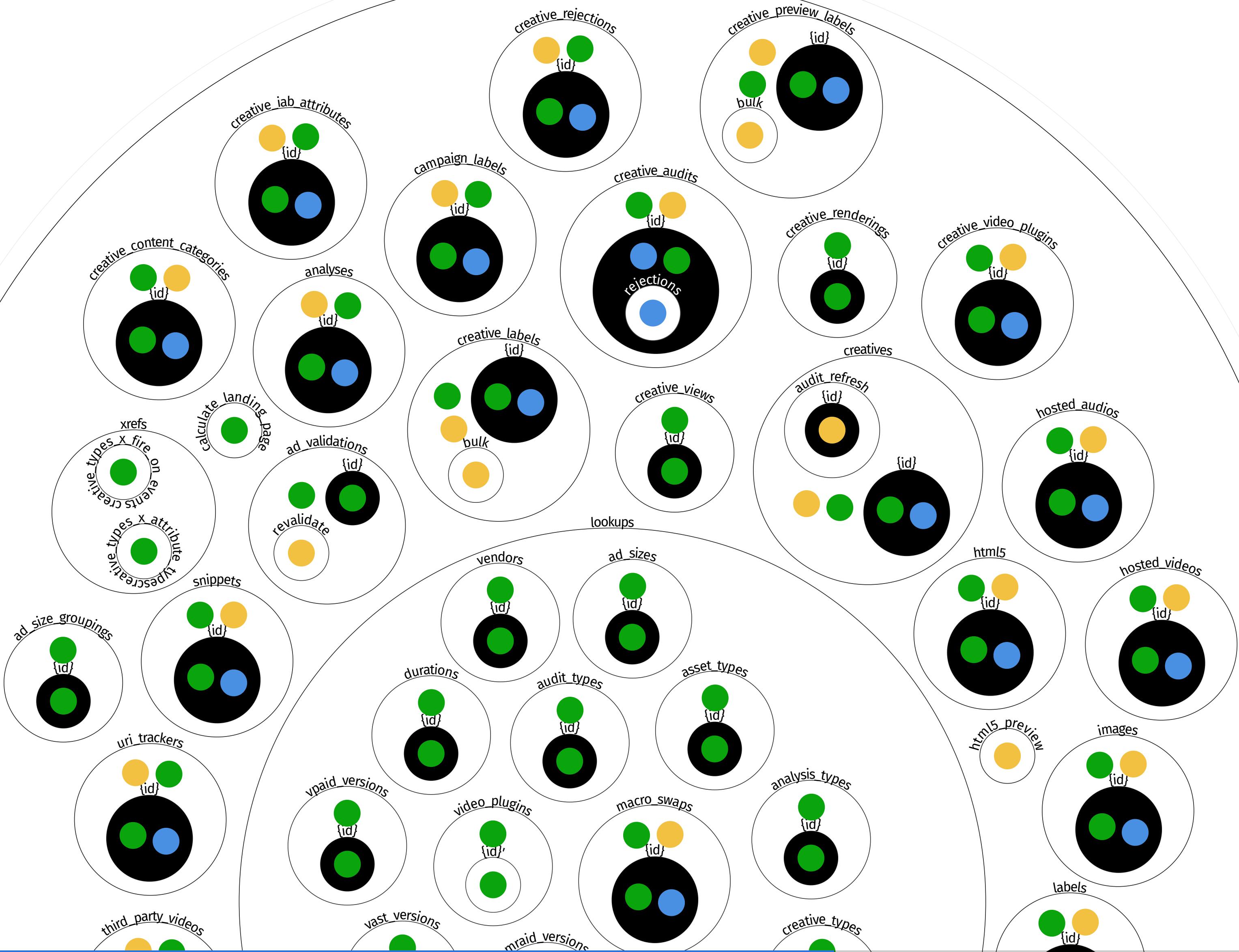
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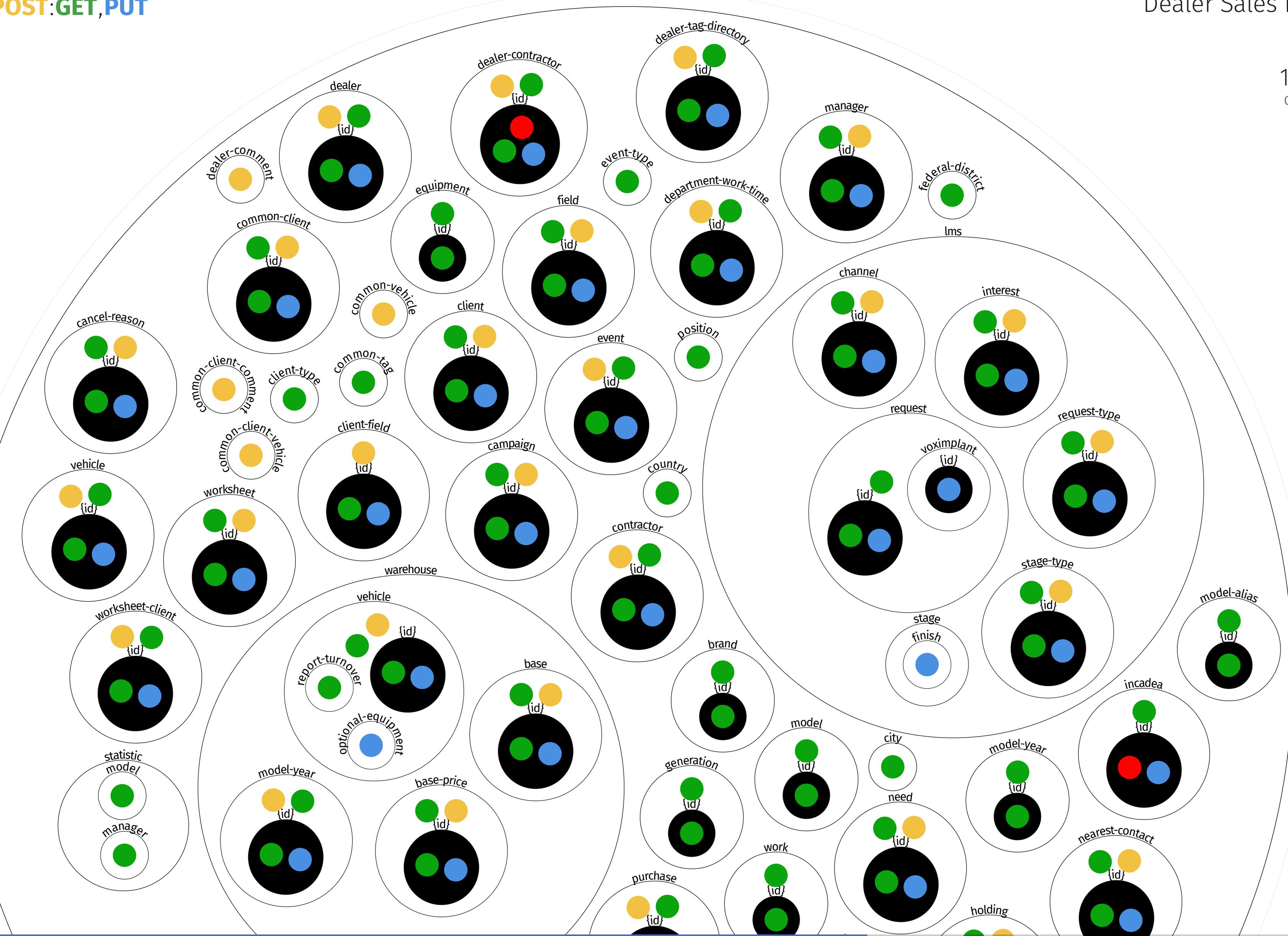


GET, POST: GET, PUT

Dealer Sales Funnel

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177 Ops 113 Paths



GET, POST, PUT: DELETE, GET

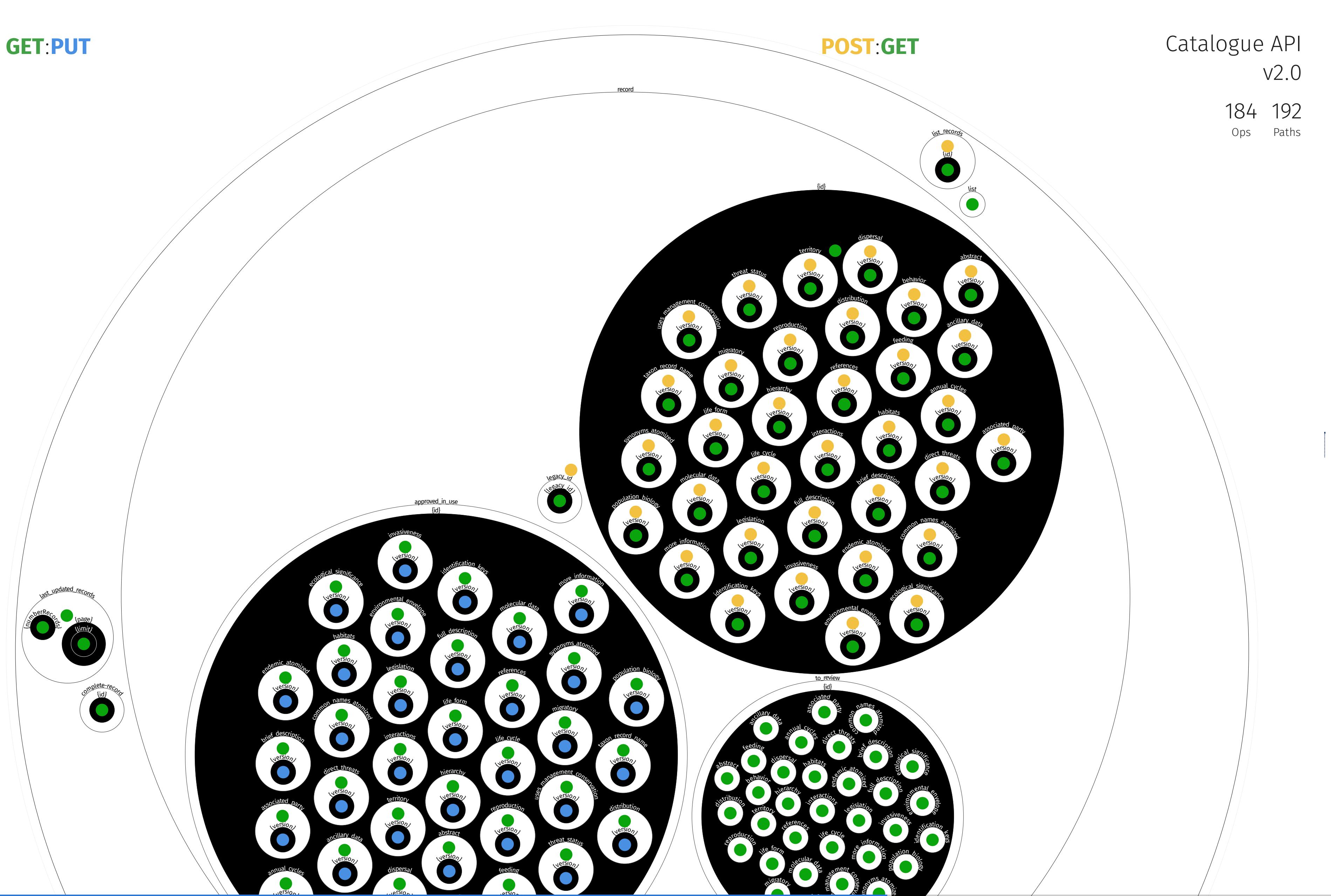
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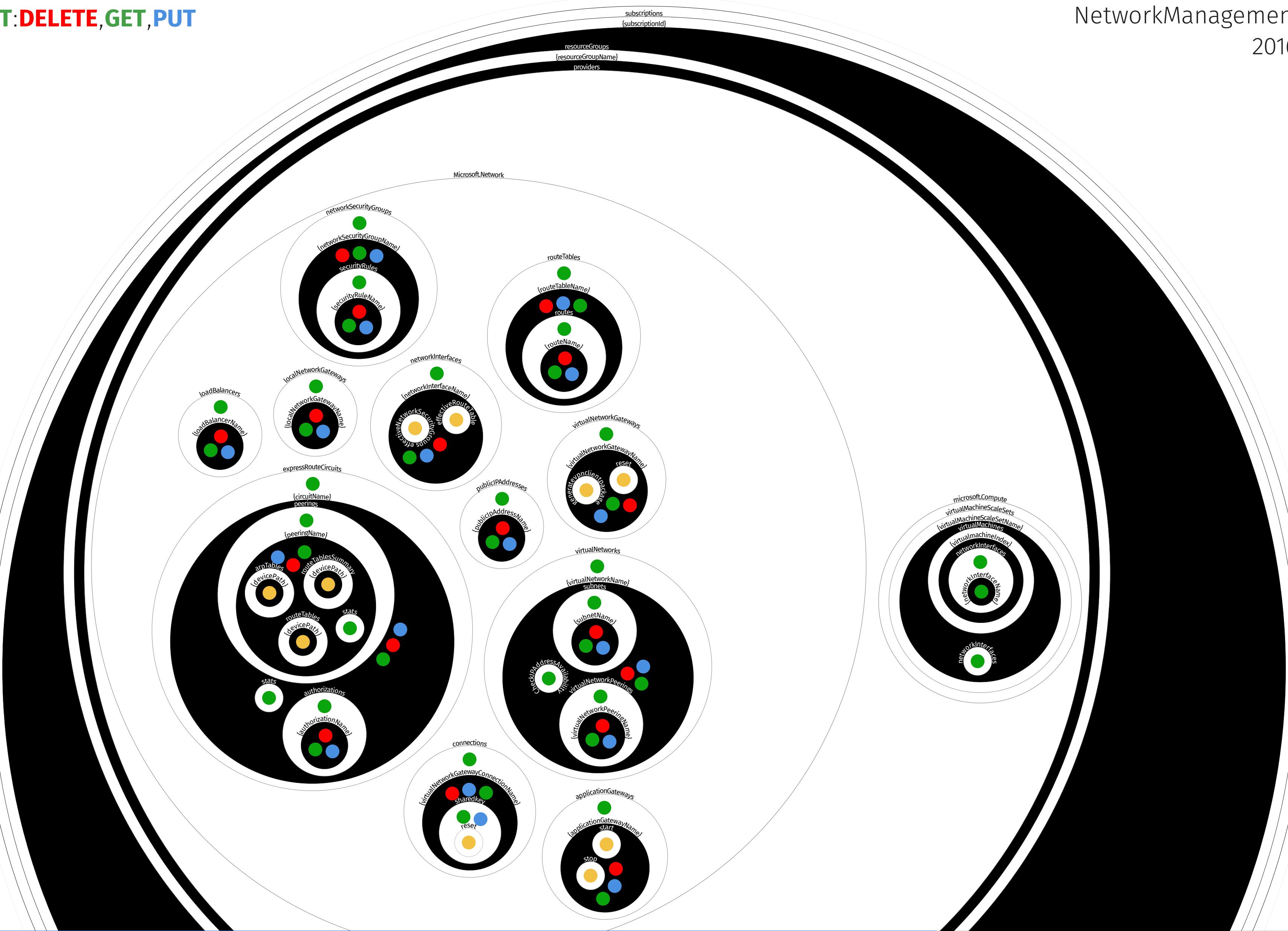
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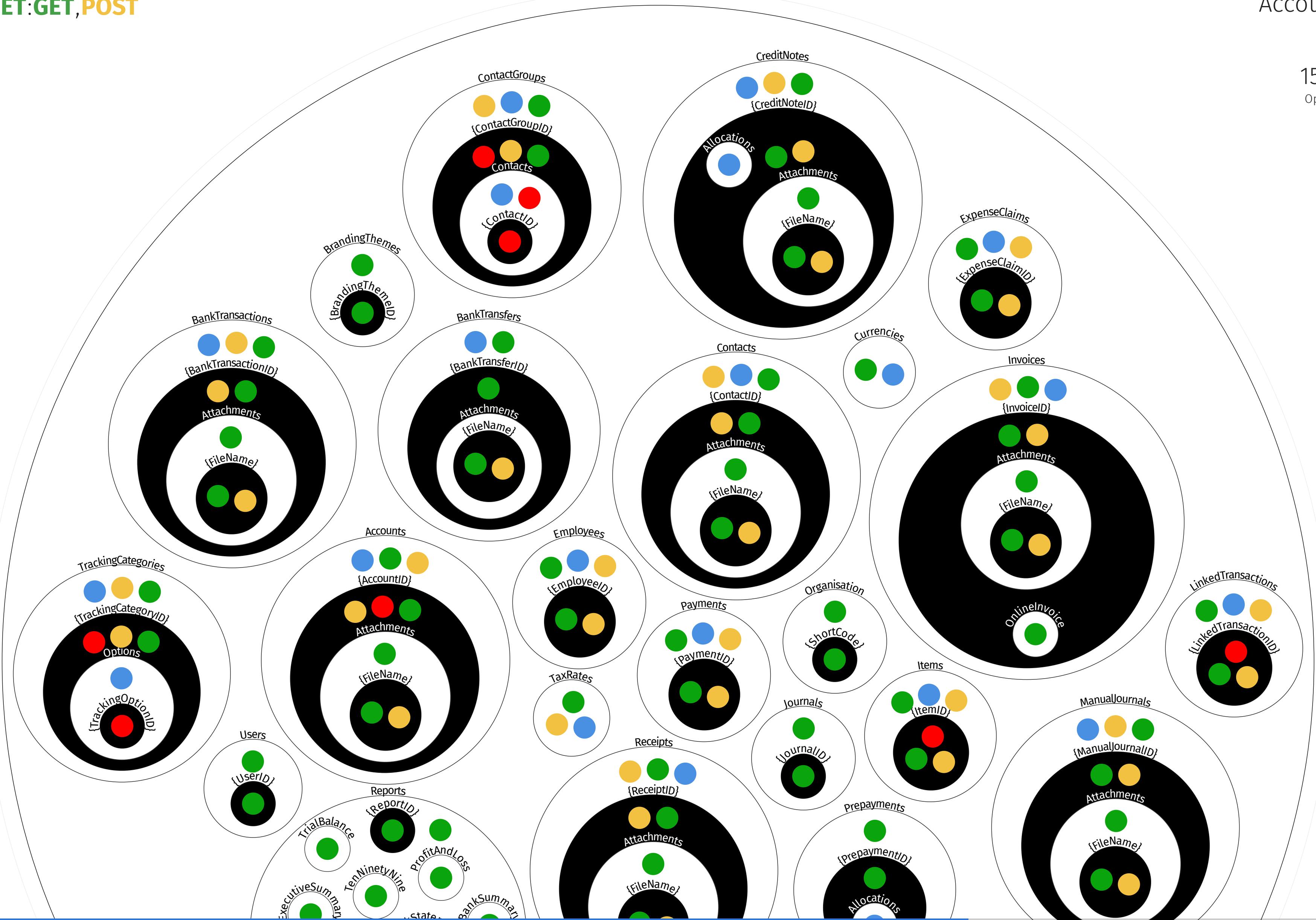
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184 192

Ops Paths

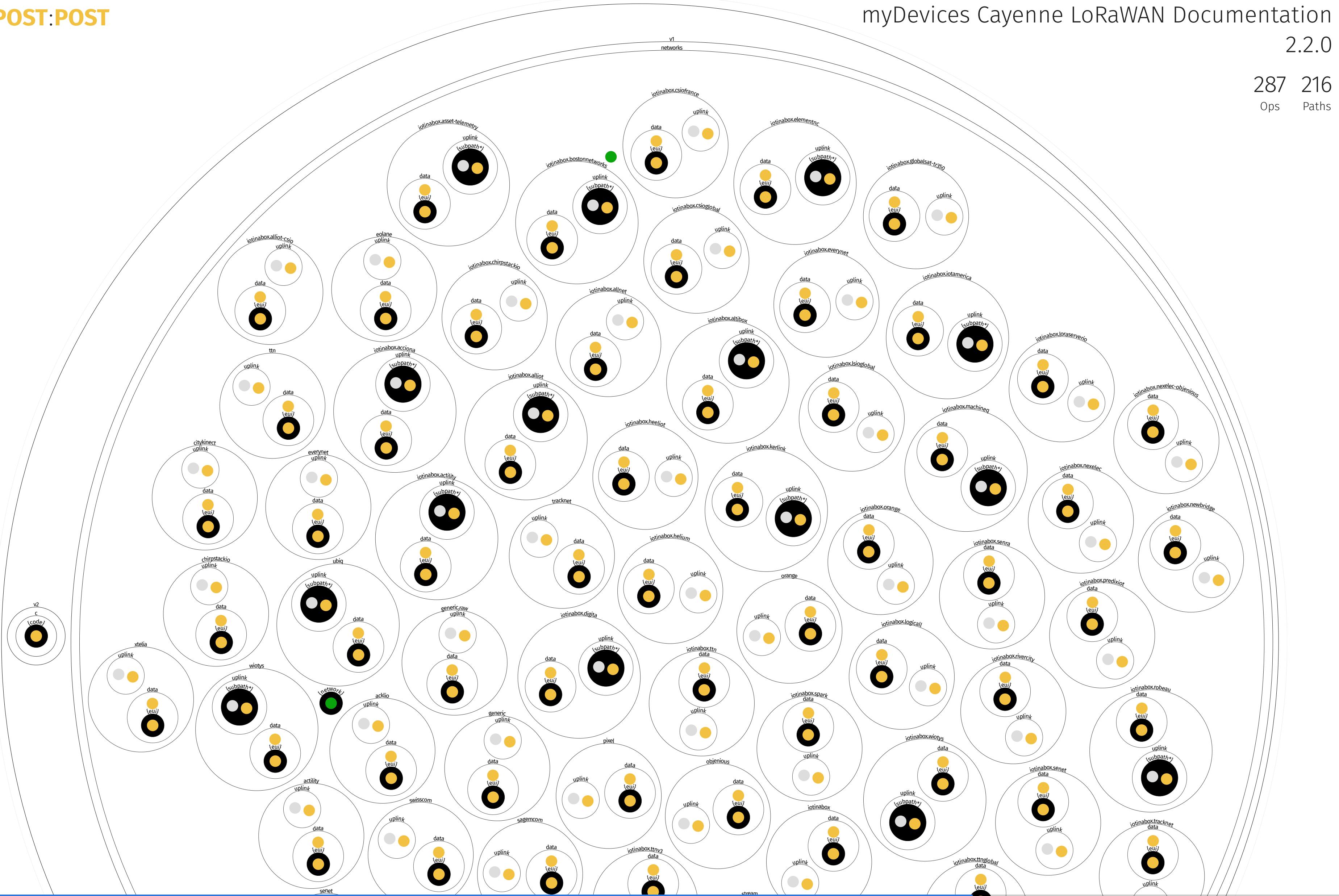






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Ops Paths



POST:DELETE, GET

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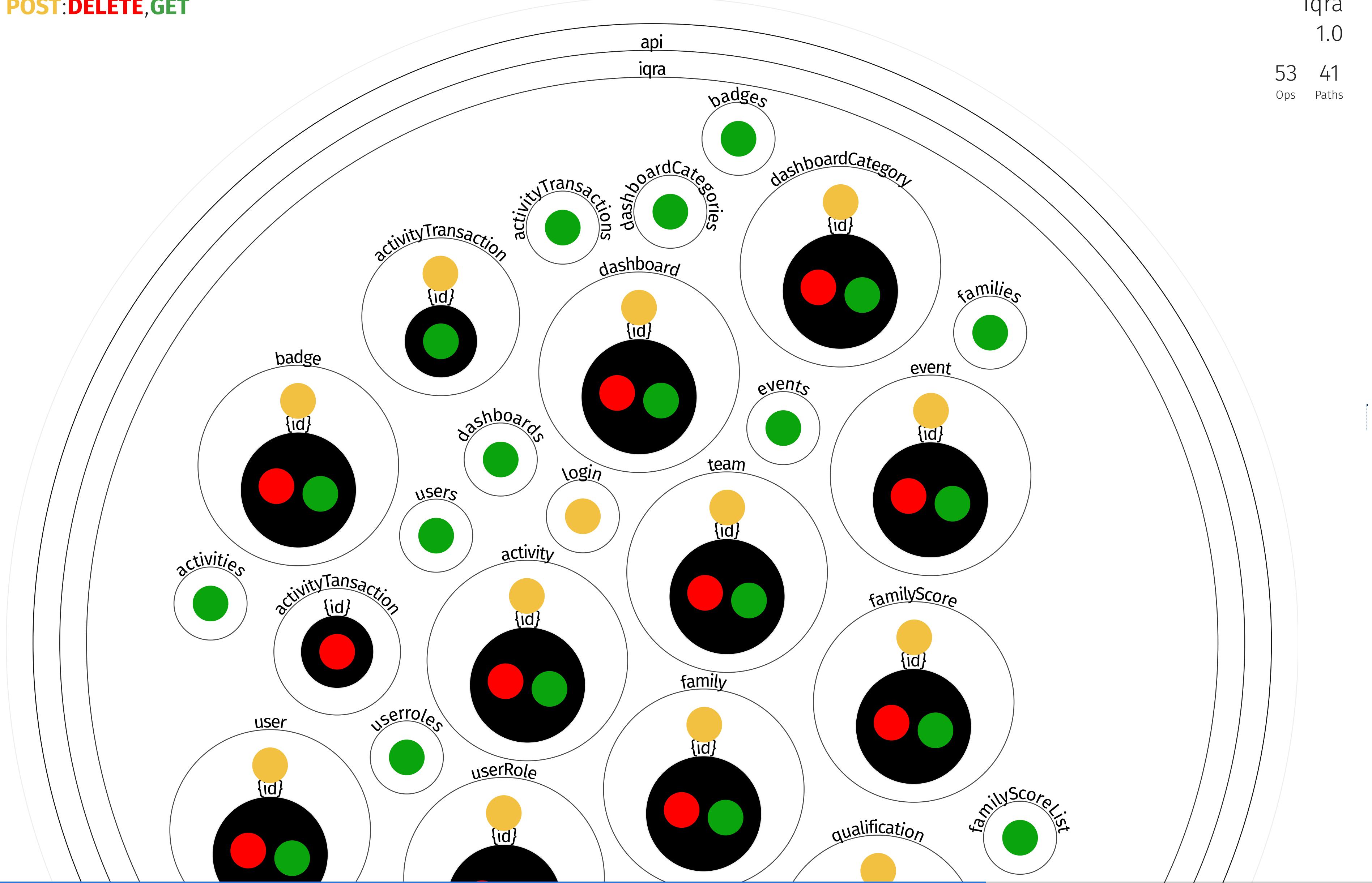
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41

Ops

Paths



393 Ops 252 Paths

Version Identifier

How can an API provider indicate its current capabilities as well as the existence of possibly incompatible changes to clients, in order to prevent malfunctioning of clients due to undiscovered interpretation errors?

Version Identifier

Metadata

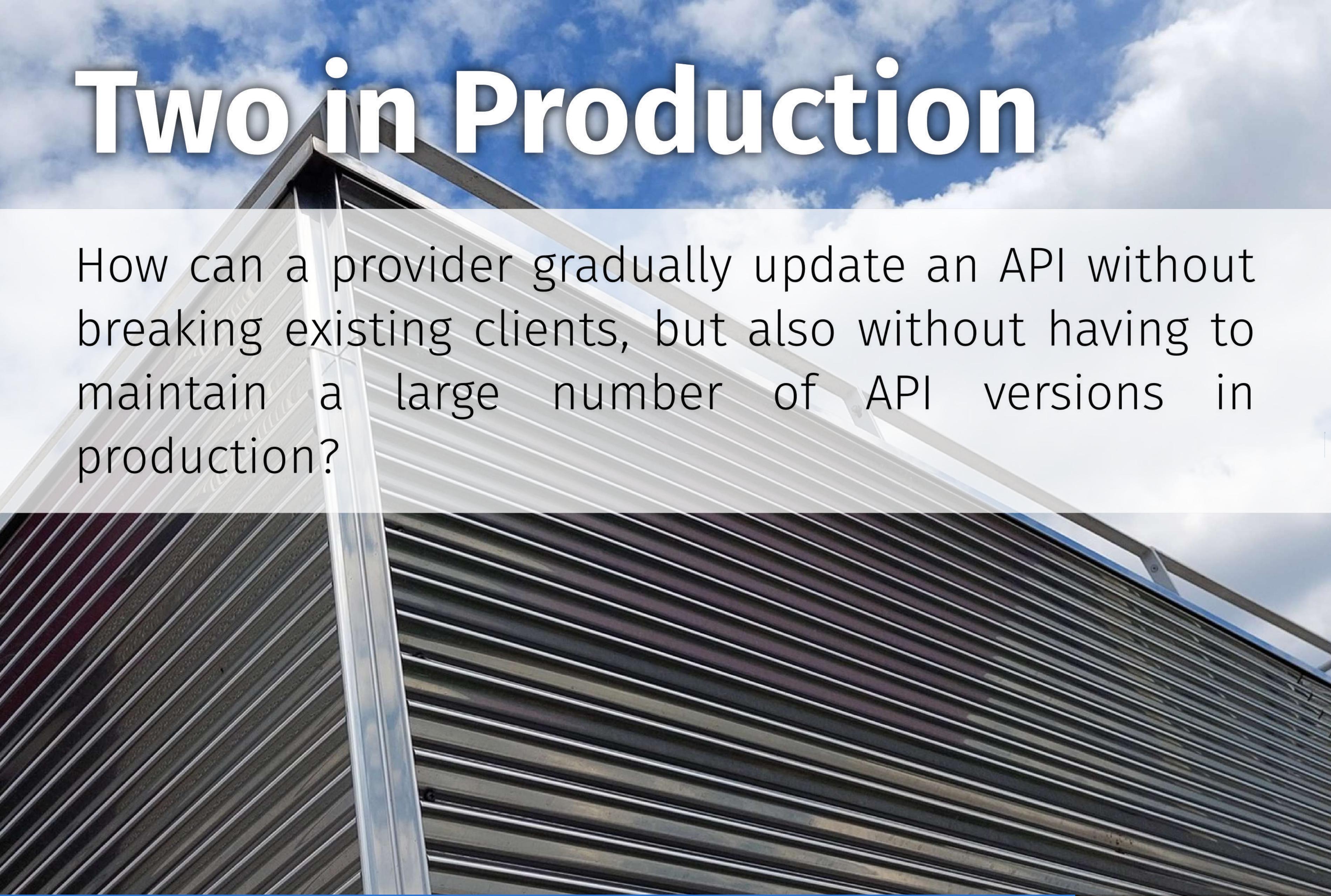
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beta	3.0.0	1.1	1.0.0-SNAPSHOT	3.0.2	1.0.2			
1.2.0	unversioned	v3	0.0.0	0.2.0	2015-11-01	v1.0.0	V1	
v0.11	2018-06-01-preview		1.0-SNAPSHOT	2019-08-01	v1.7.0			
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Version Identifier

First Path Segment

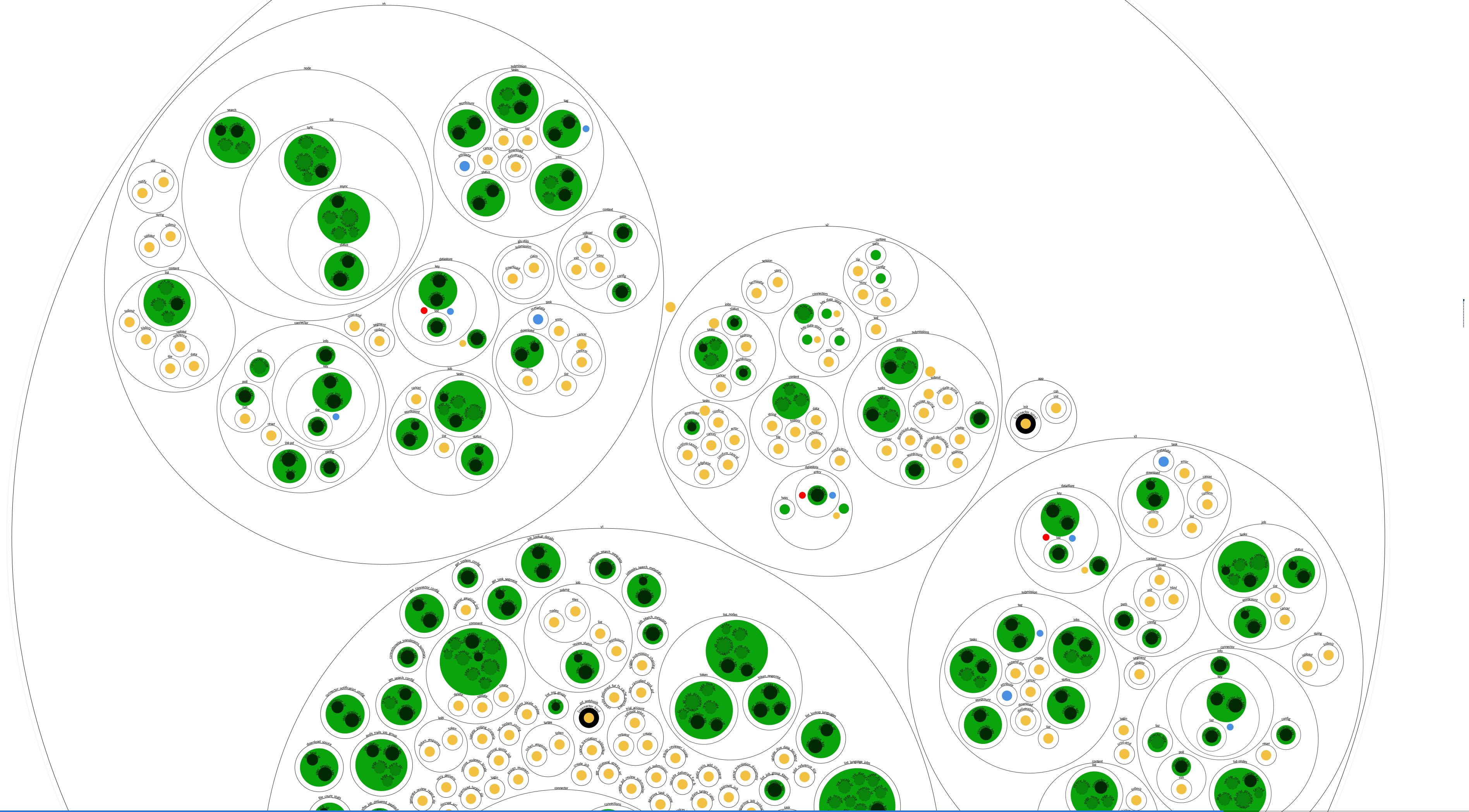
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v0.3 v2020 favicon_v{v}.ico v6 v20180820 v20190125 v01  
v11 {api.v1.prefix} v1.4 v3.5 v{1} V4 v1.5 v2.2 v1.6  
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Two in Production

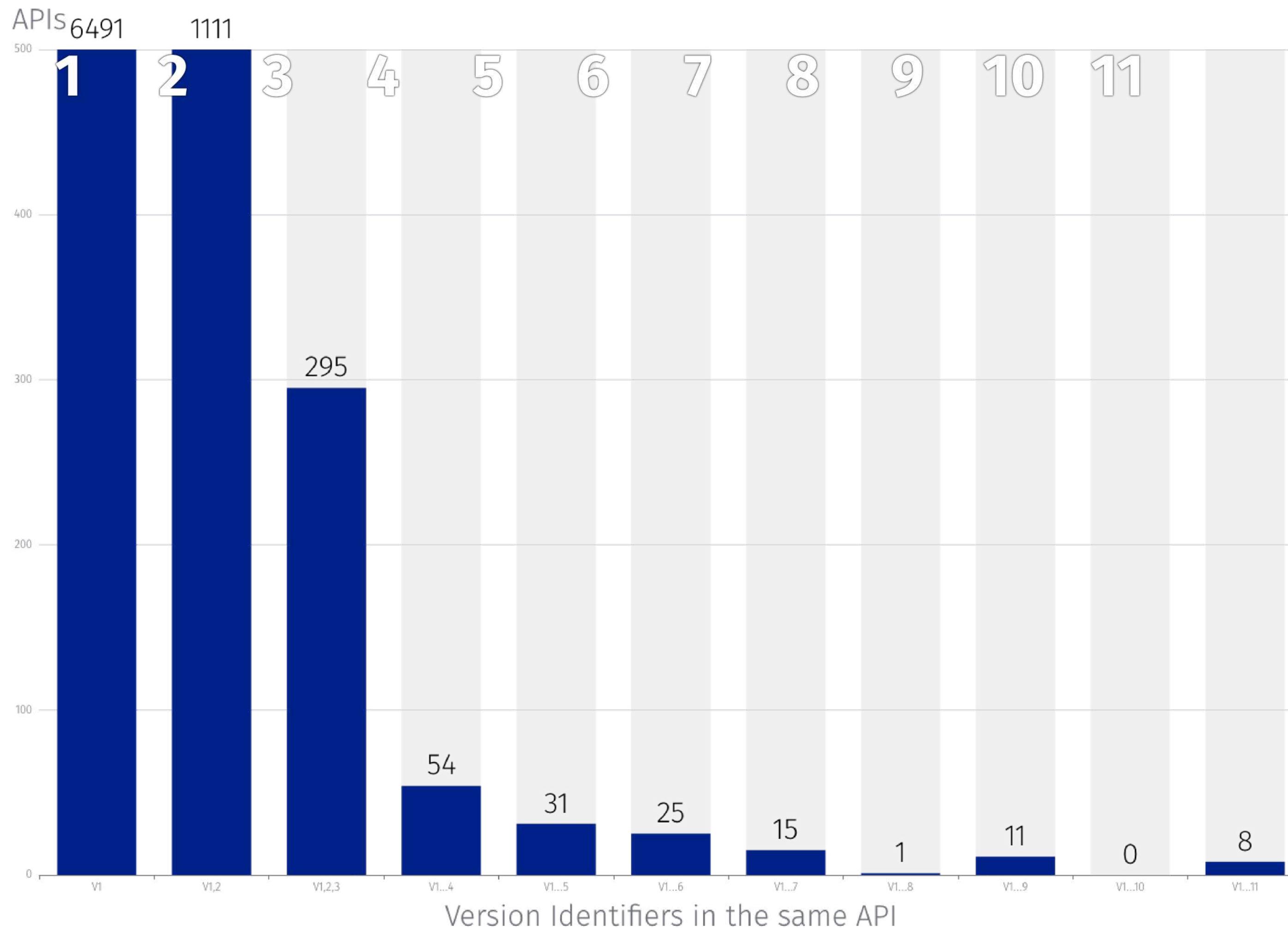


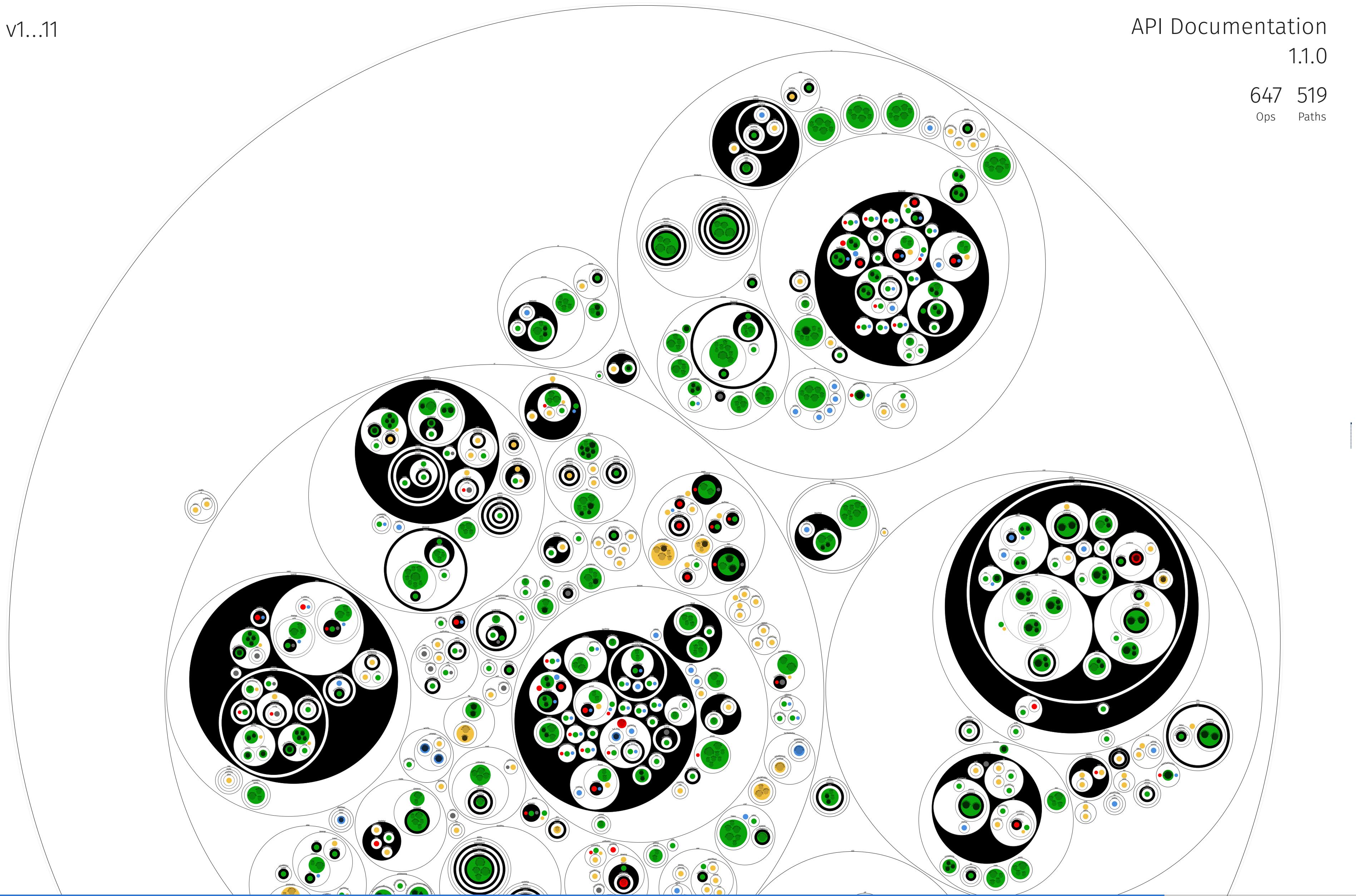
How can a provider gradually update an API without breaking existing clients, but also without having to maintain a large number of API versions in production?

322 Ops 307 Paths

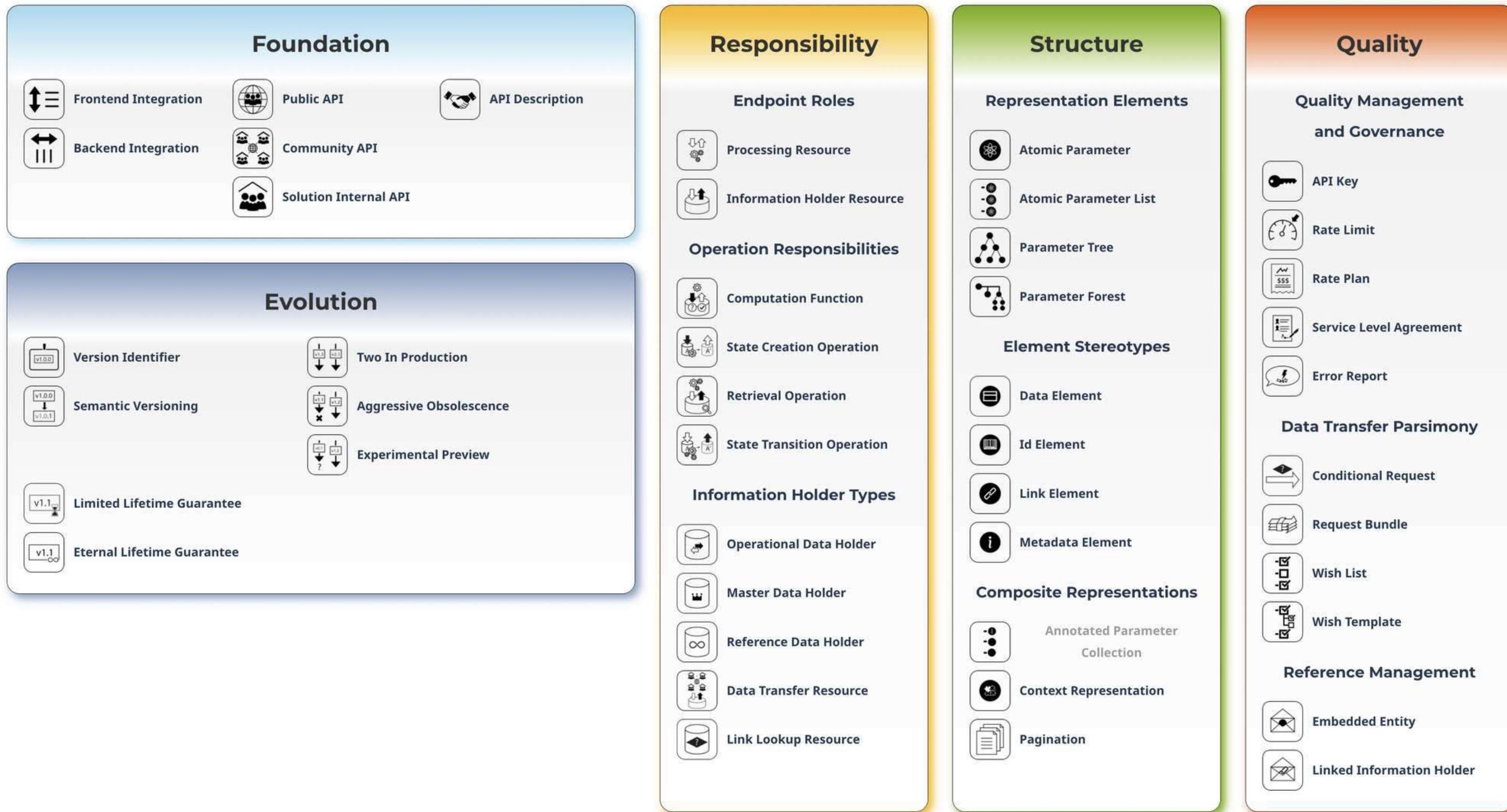


N in Production





Microservice API Design Patterns



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The Microservice Hypothesis

By keeping them small, microservice architectures can foster their autonomy and independent evolution.

Small ⇒ Loosely Coupled

Loosely Coupled ⇒ Small

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