

Course 2: Production ML Systems

Module 3: Designing Adaptable ML Systems

Lesson Title: **Introduction**

Presenter: Max Lotstein

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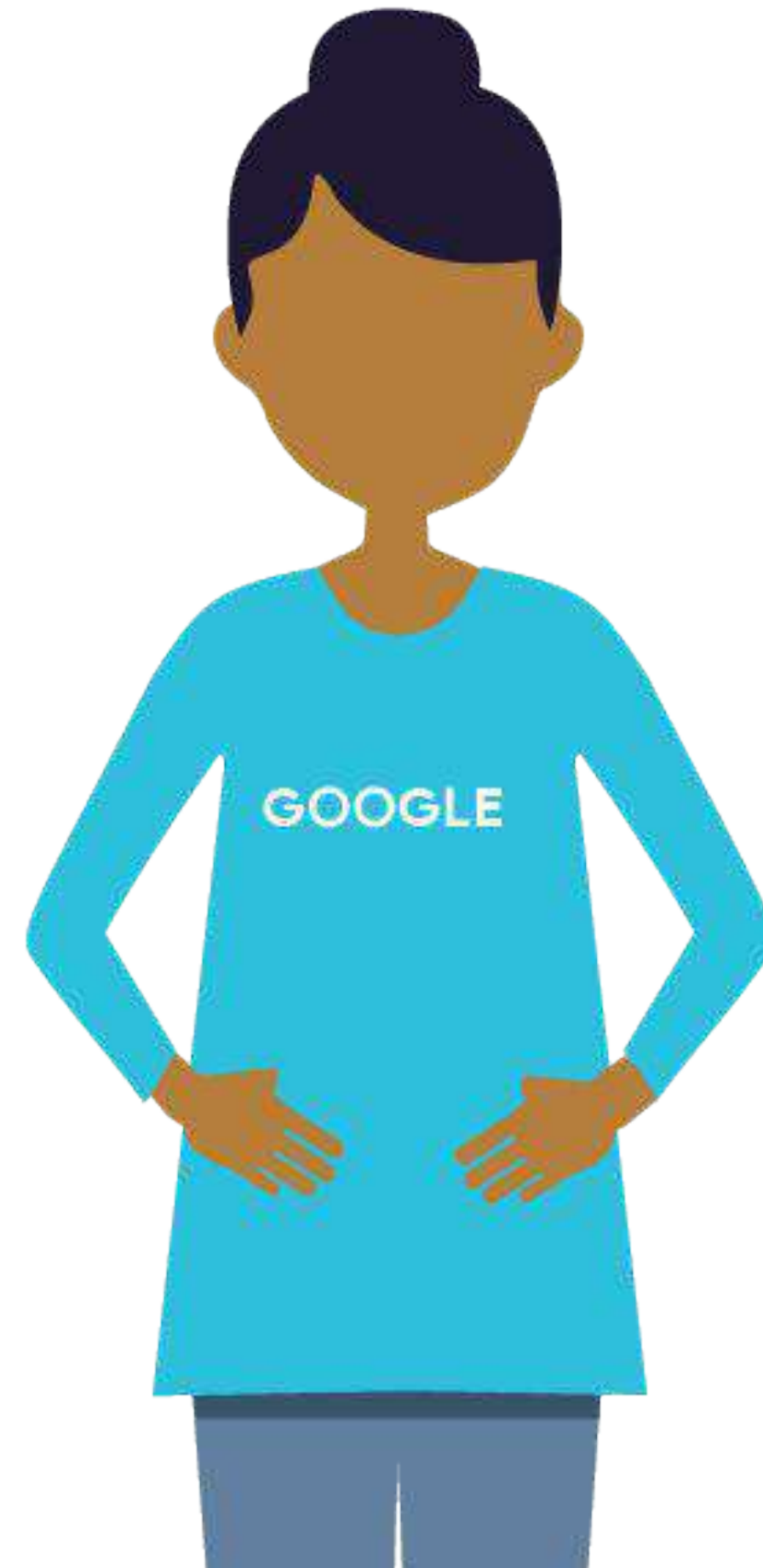


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## Designing Adaptable ML Systems

Advanced Machine Learning  
on GCP

Max Lotstein



# Learn how to...

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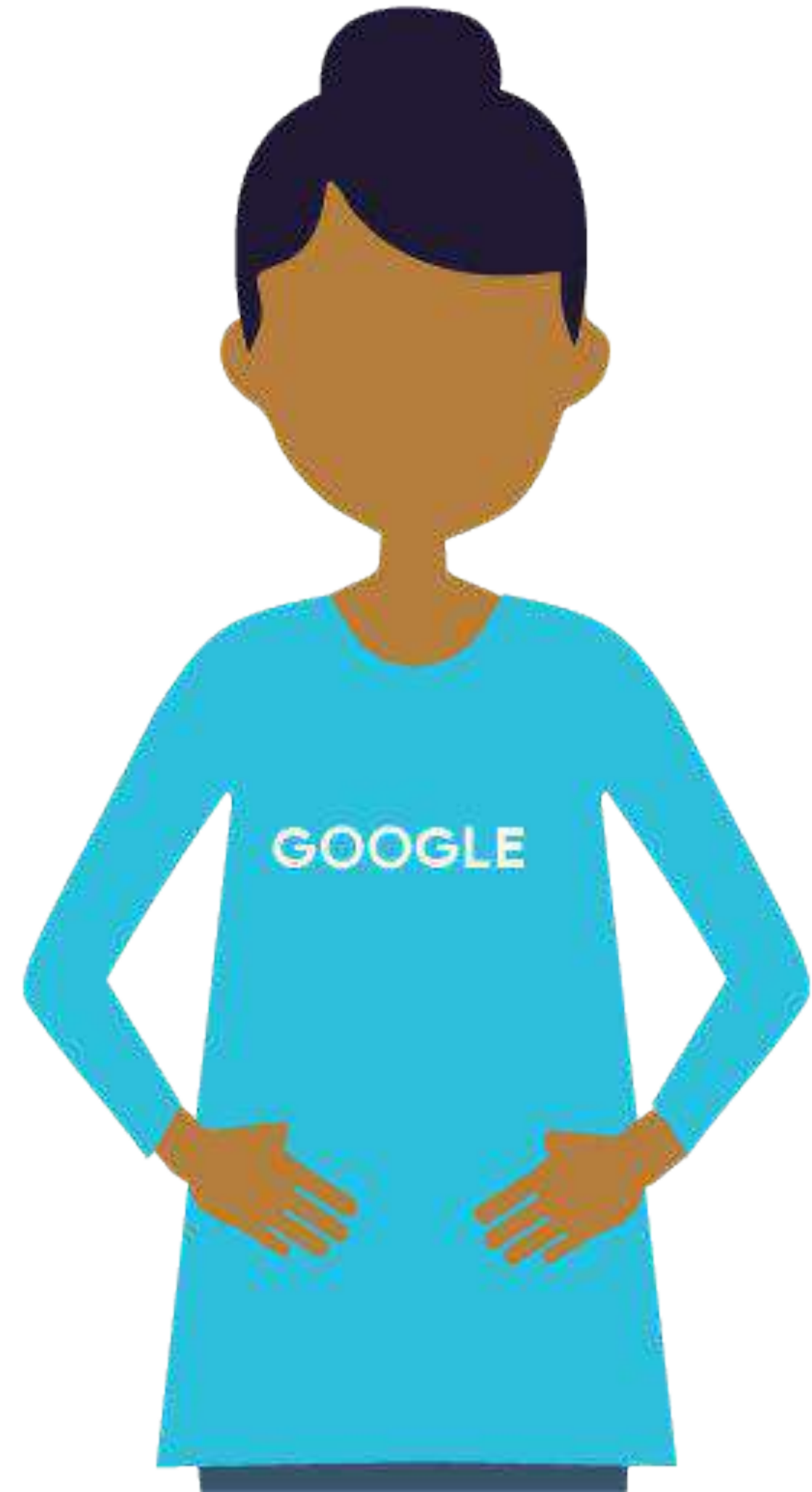
Recognize various data dependencies

Make cost-conscious engineering decisions

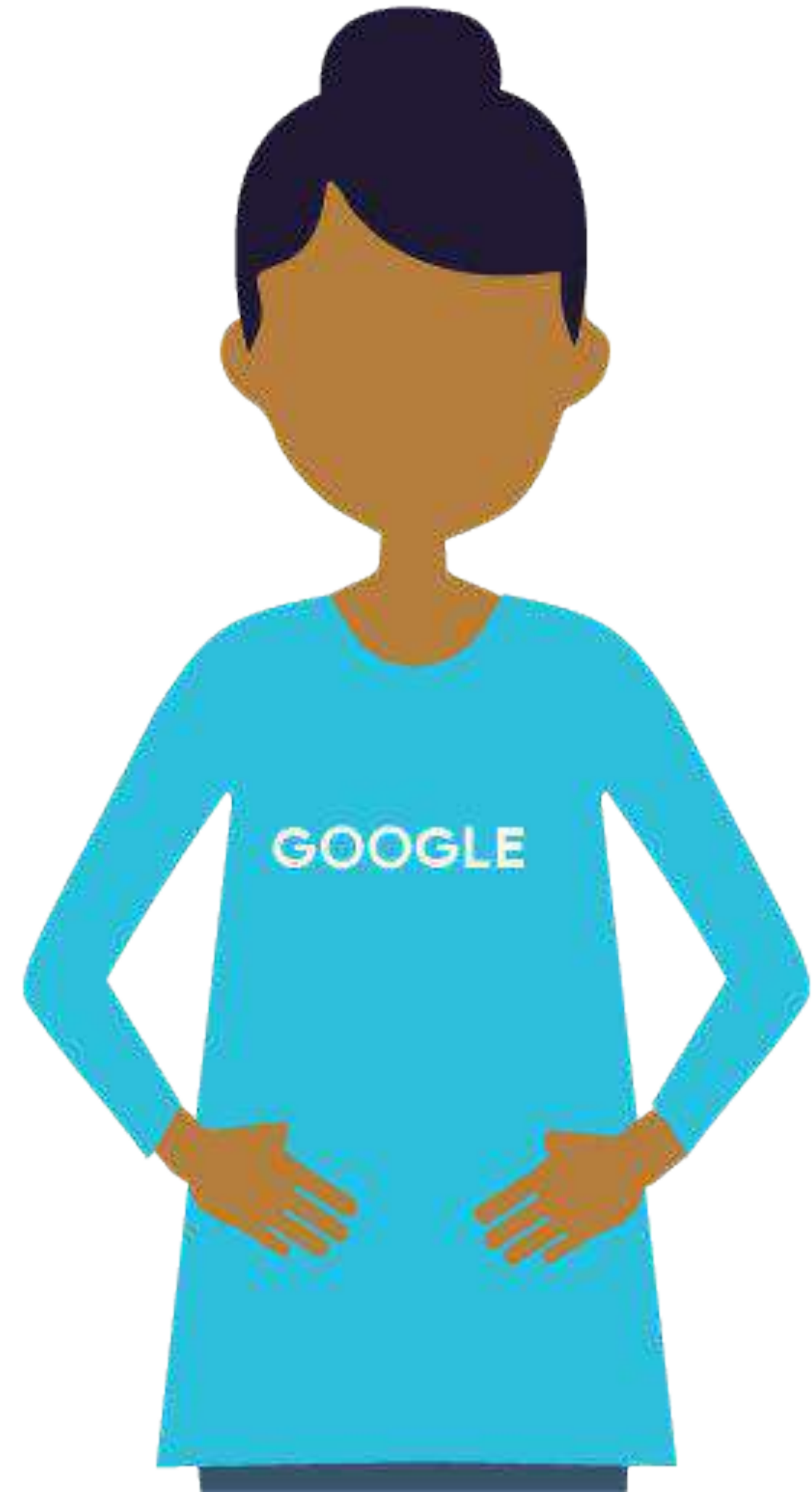
Mitigate model pollution

Implement a pipeline that is immune to one type of dependency

Debug the causes of observed model behavior



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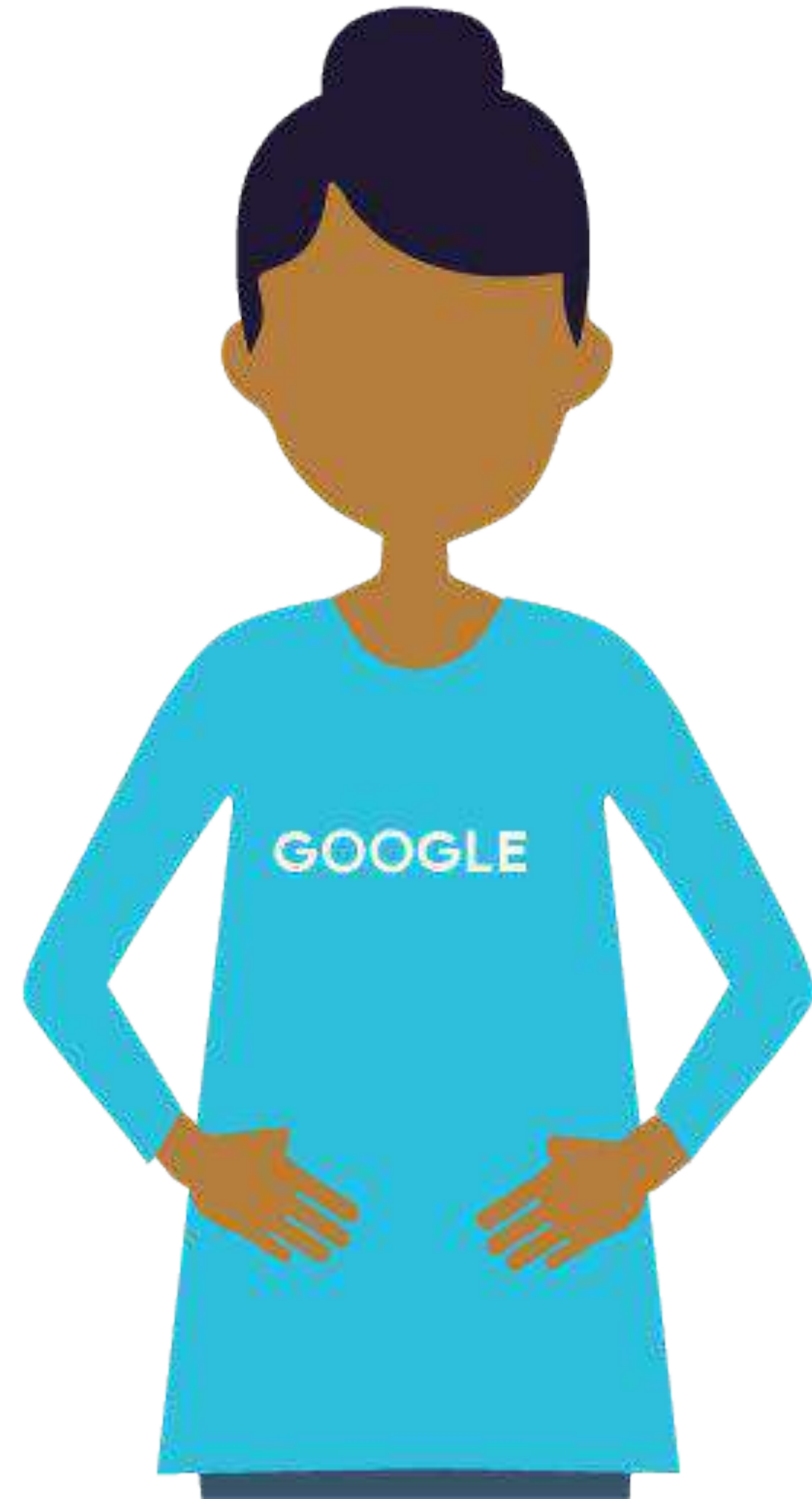
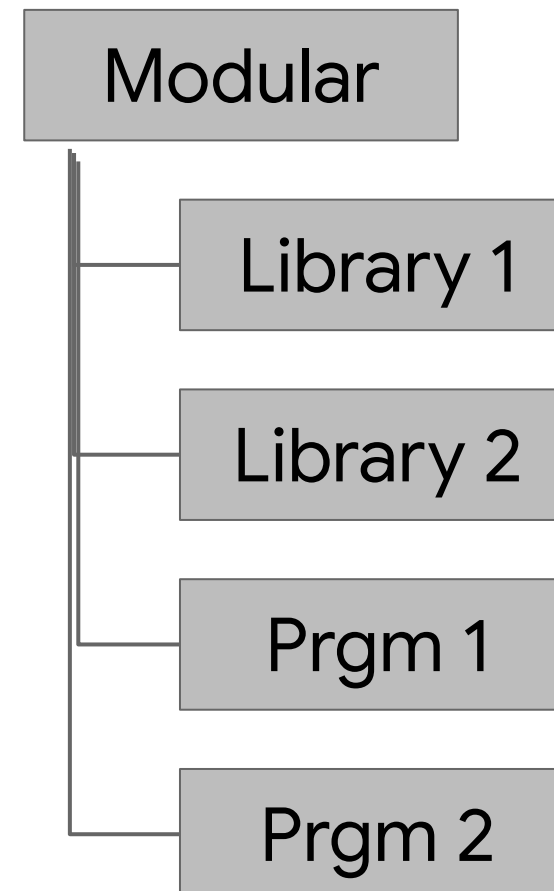


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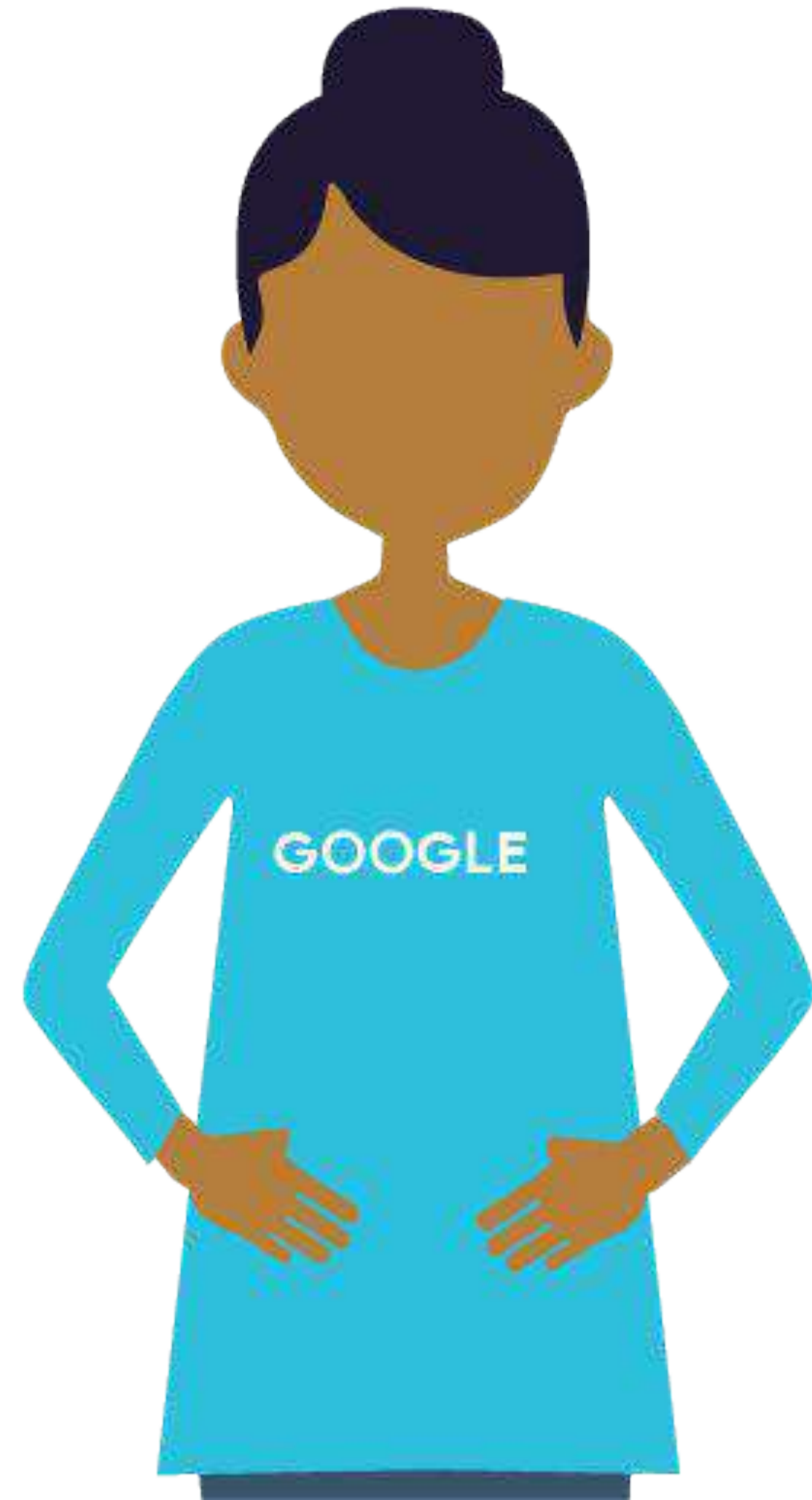
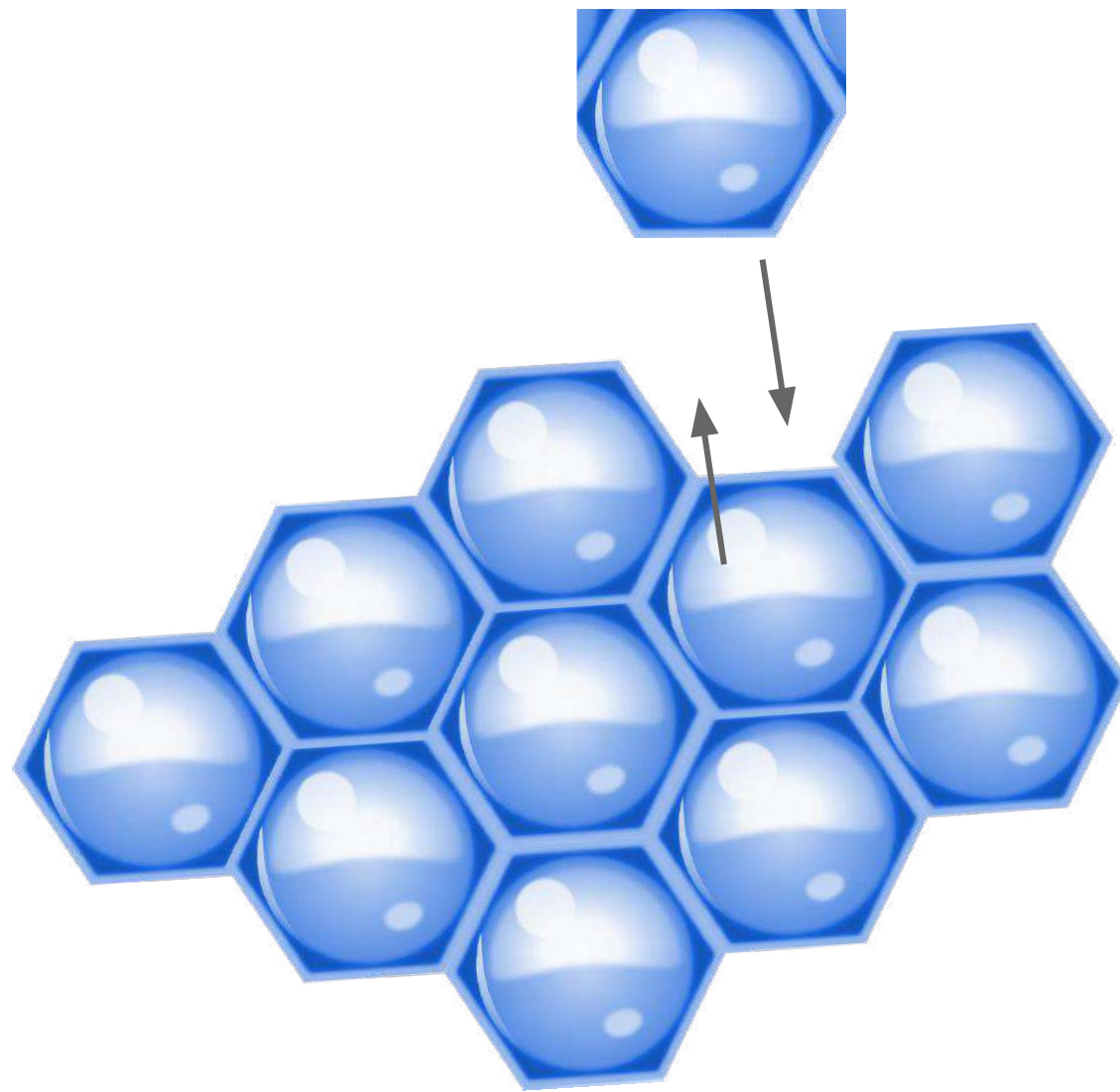


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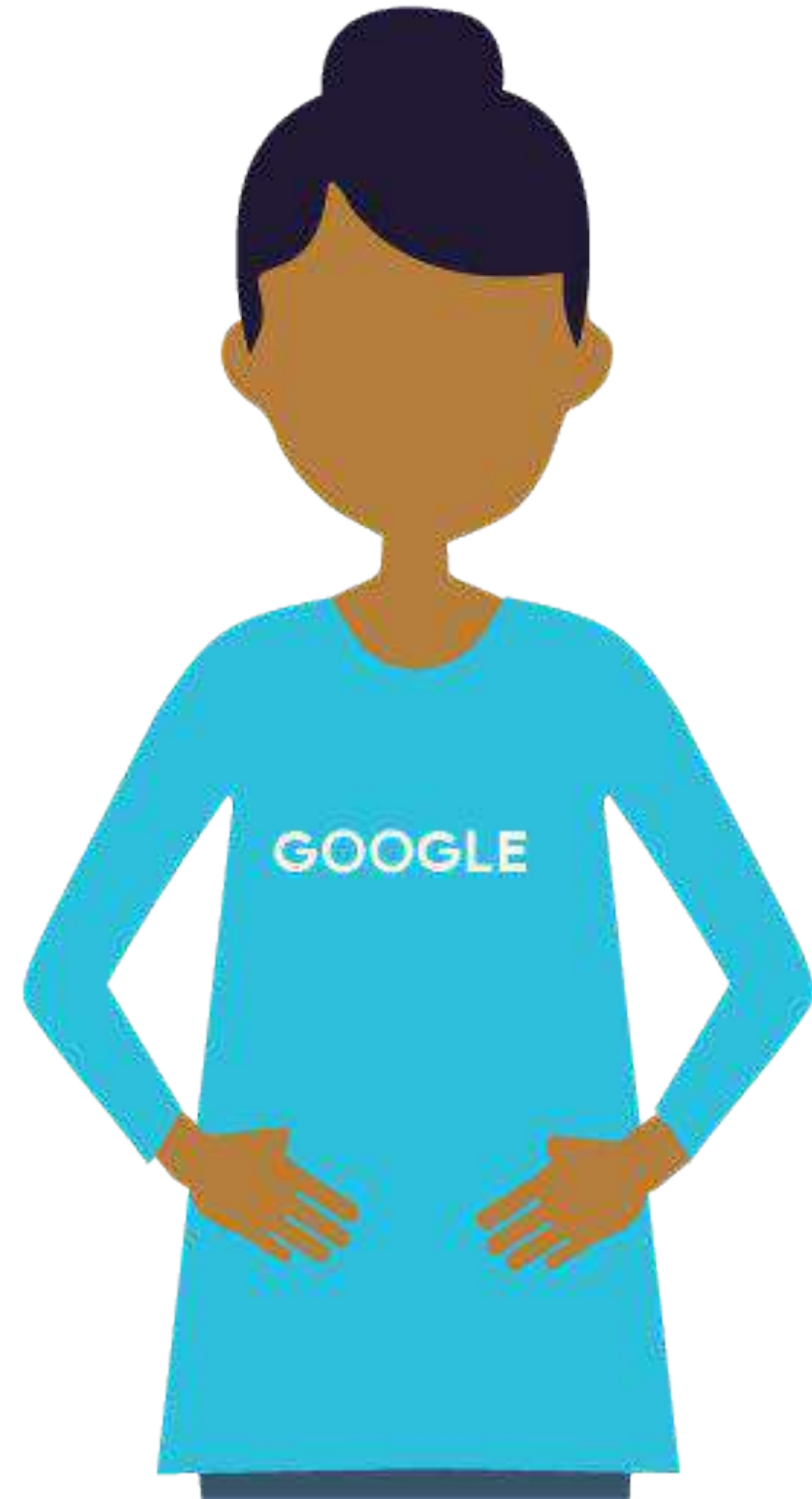
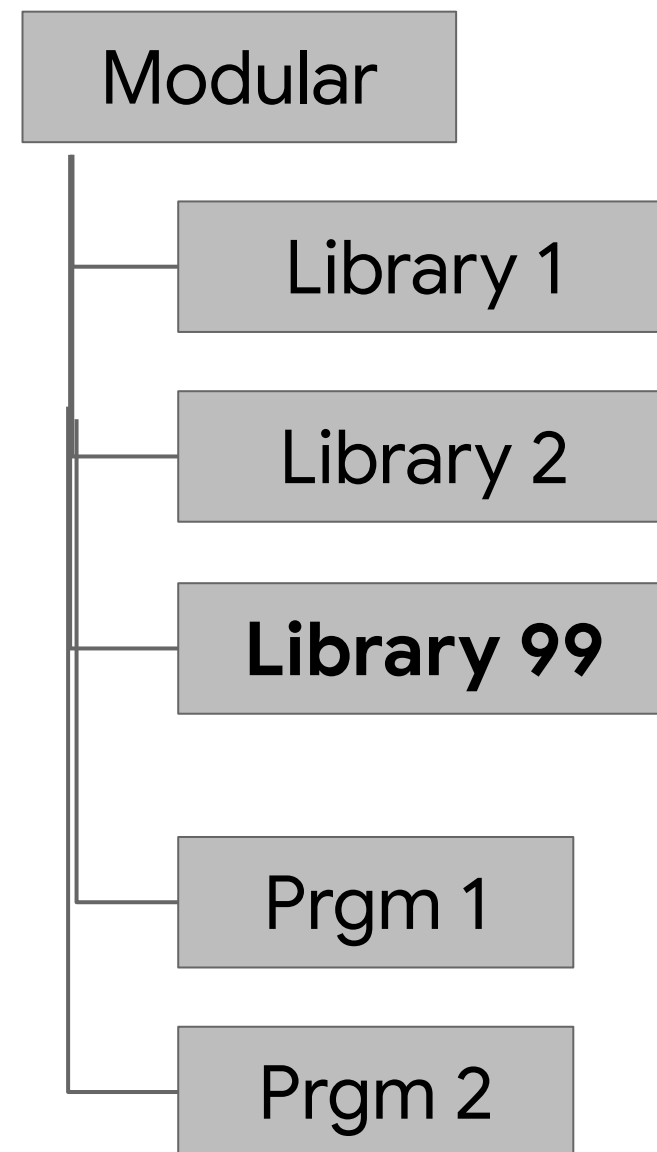
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Modular Is More  
Maintainable

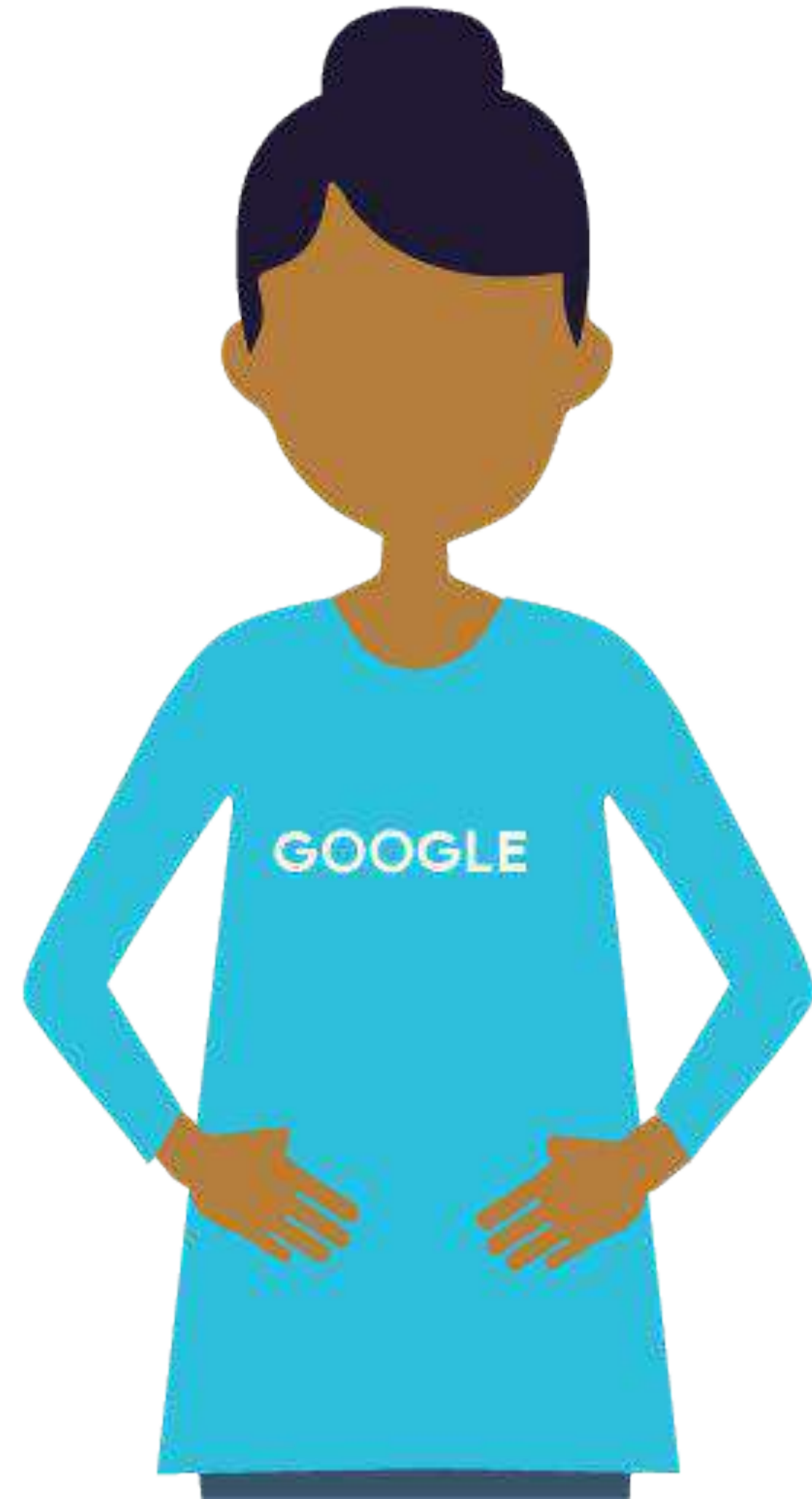
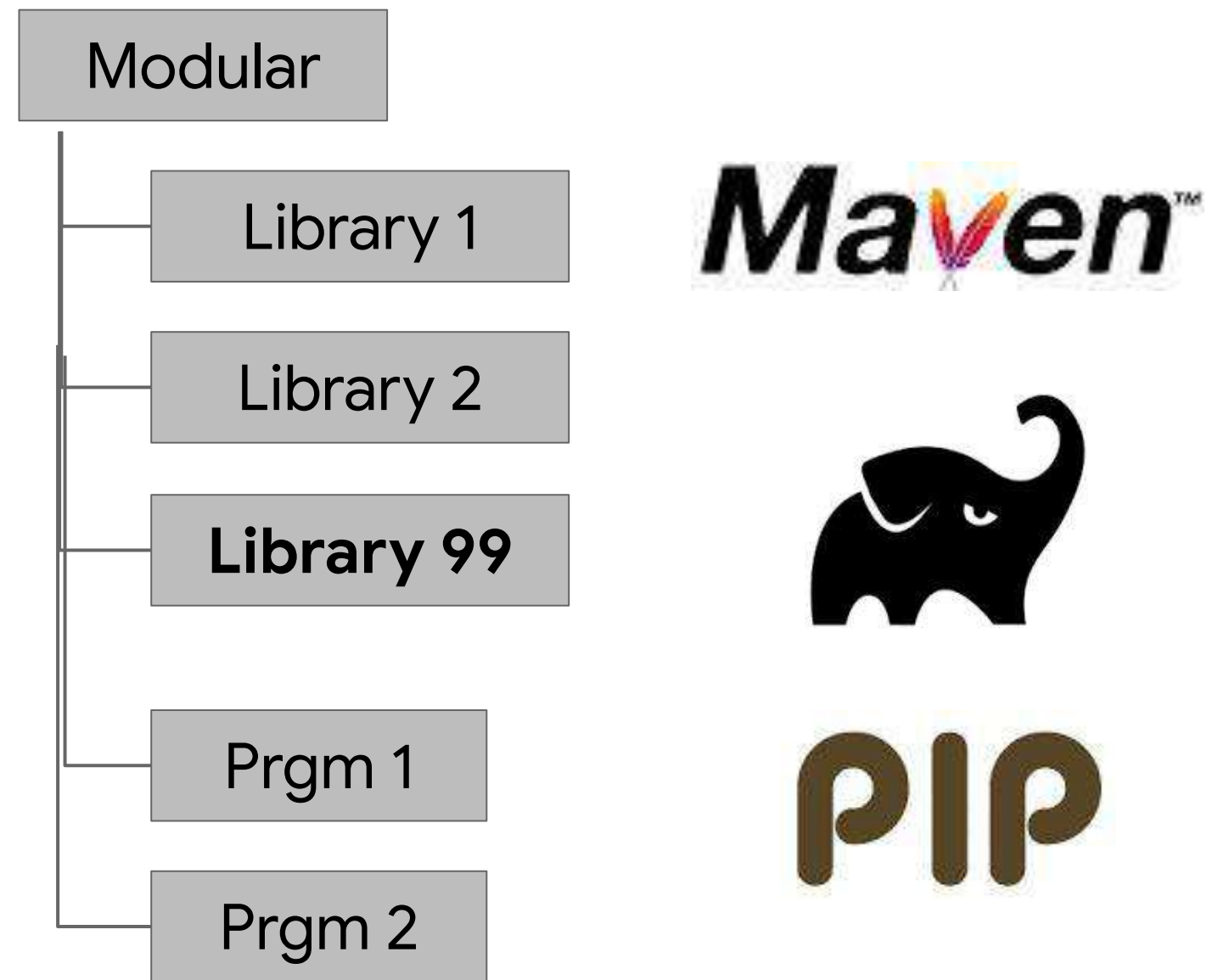


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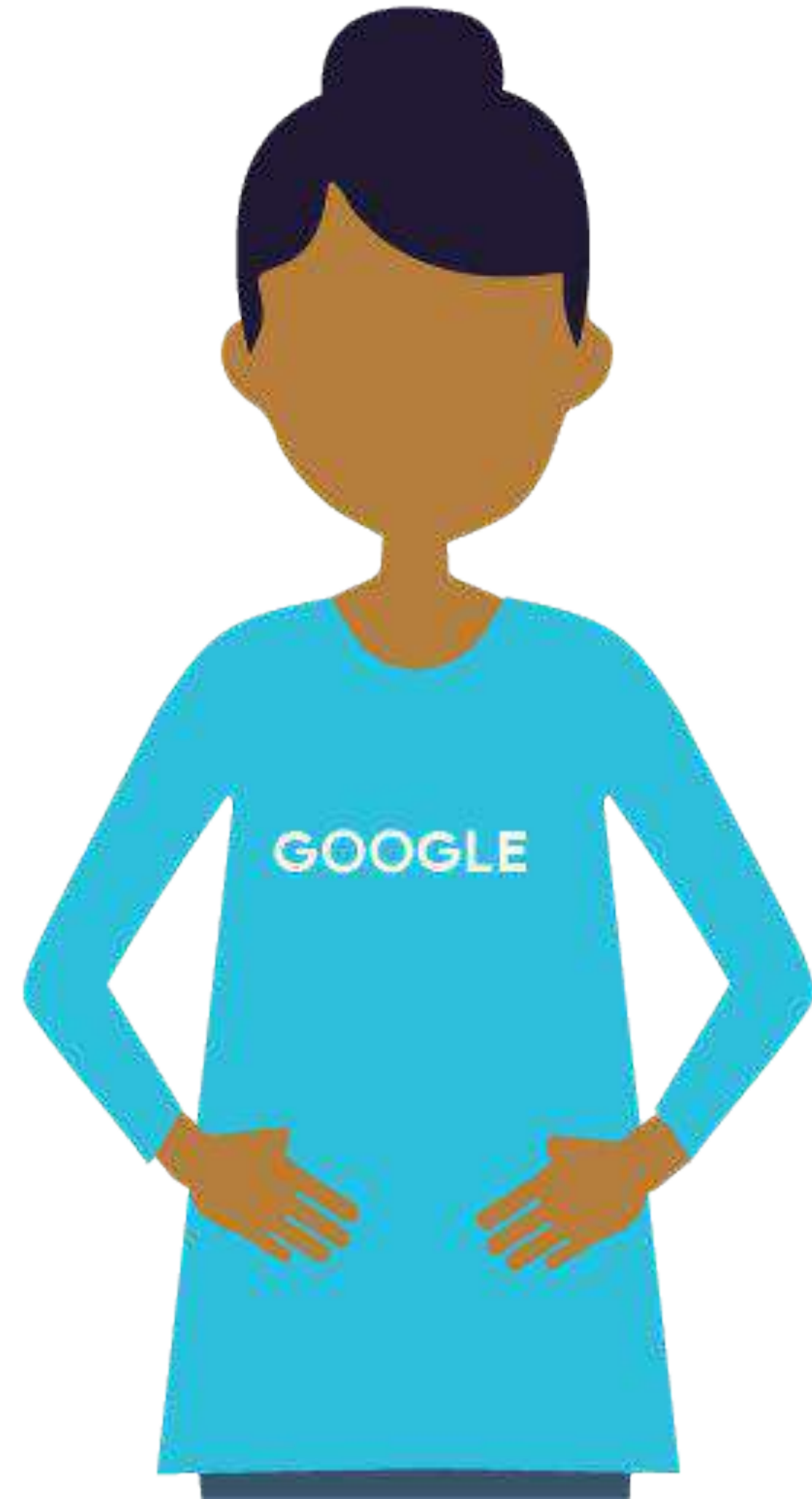




# Explicit Dependencies

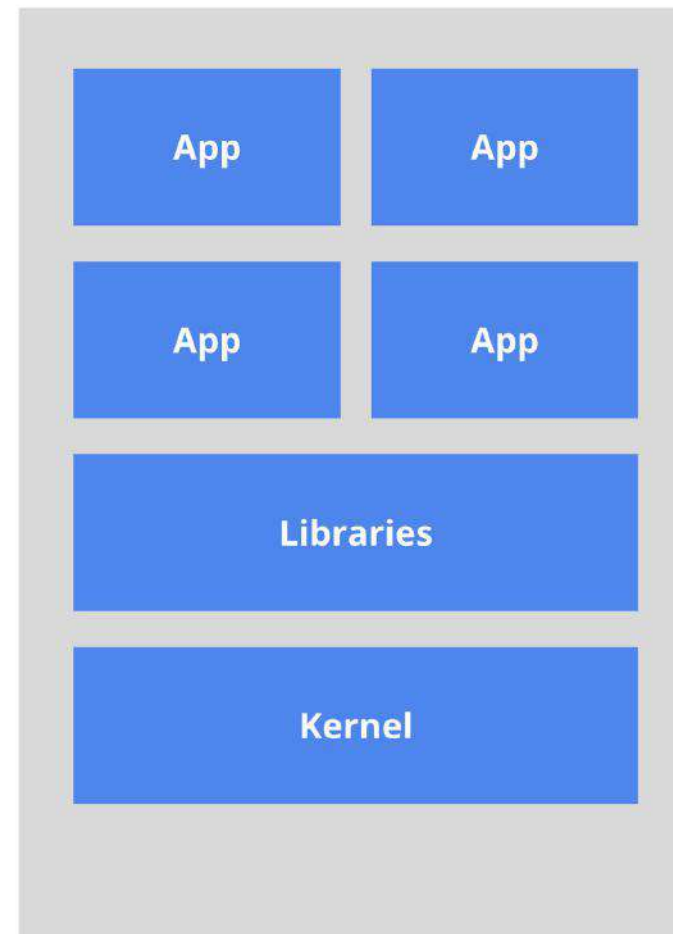
## Make Life Easier

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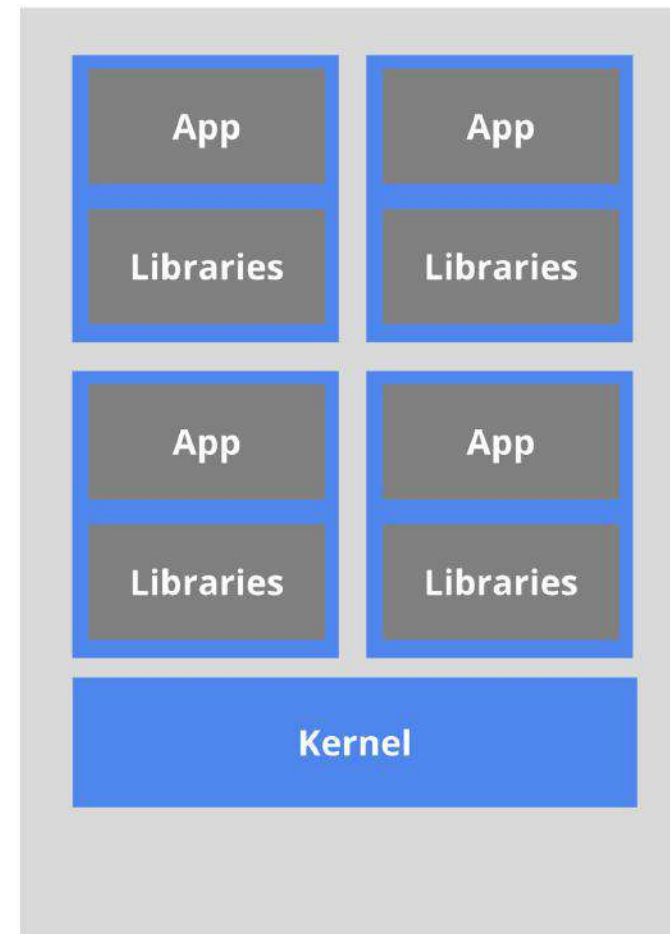
# Containers eliminate infrastructure dependencies

**The old way:** Applications on host

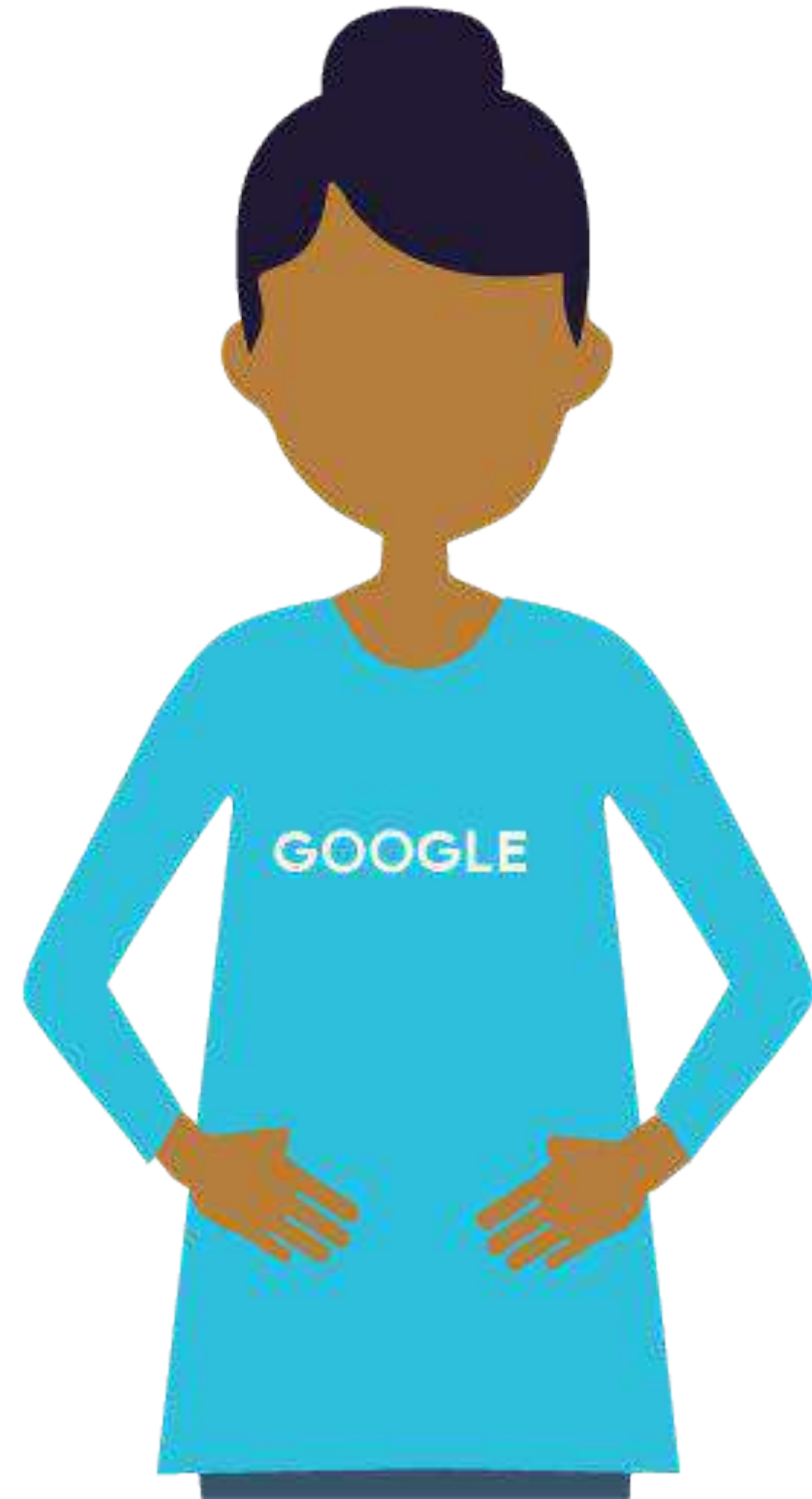


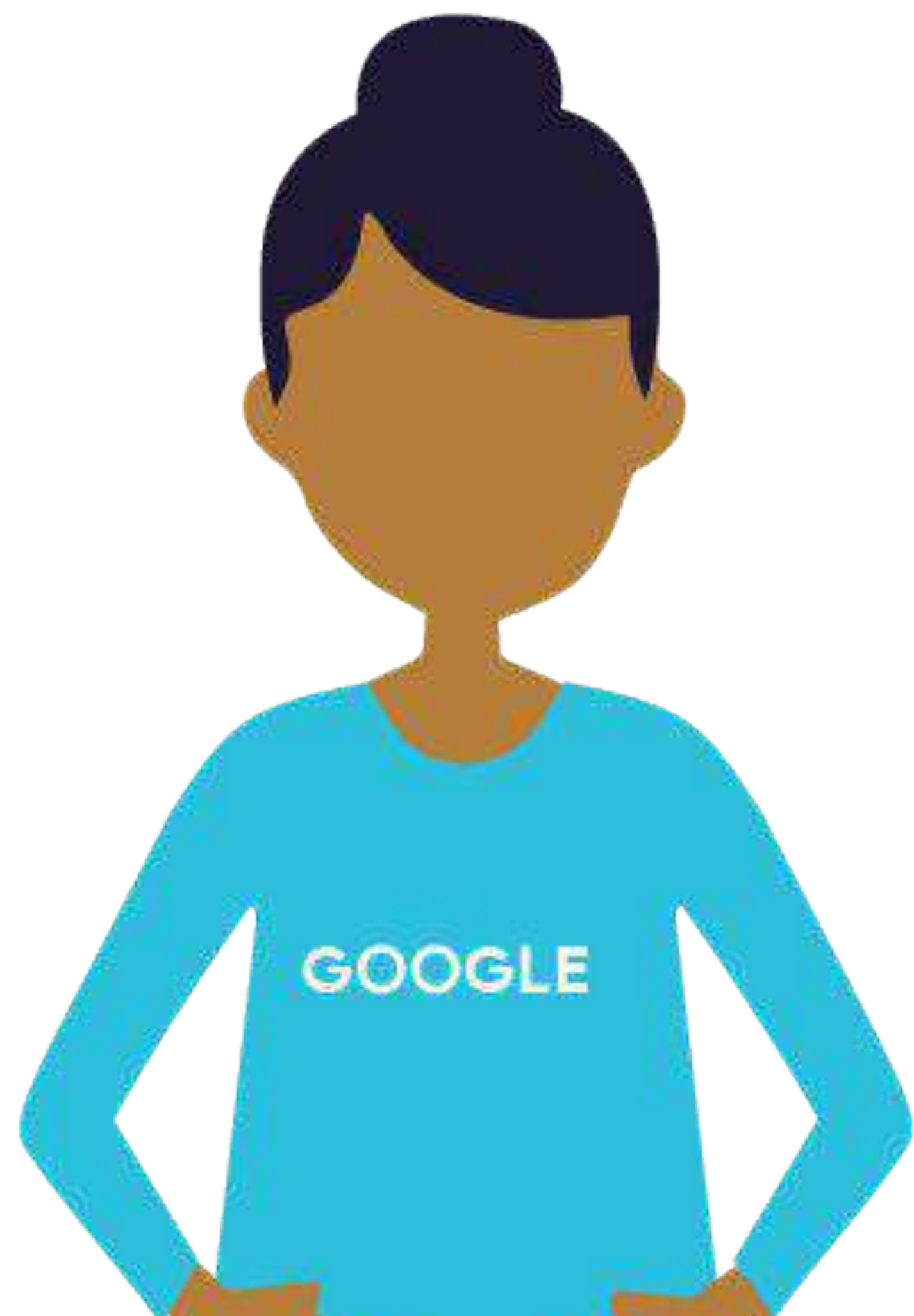
*Heavyweight, non-portable  
Relies on OS package manager*

**The new way:** Deploy containers



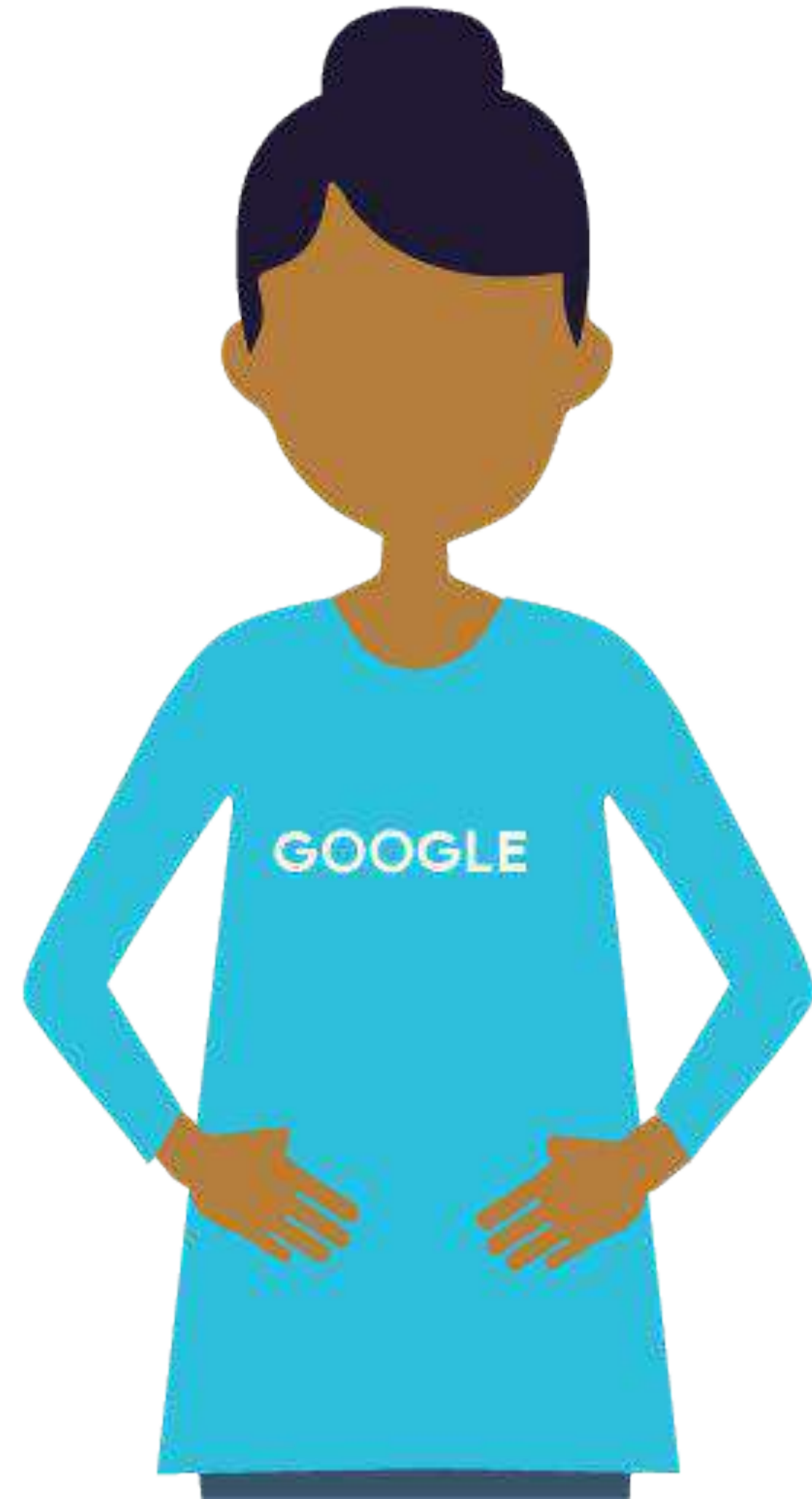
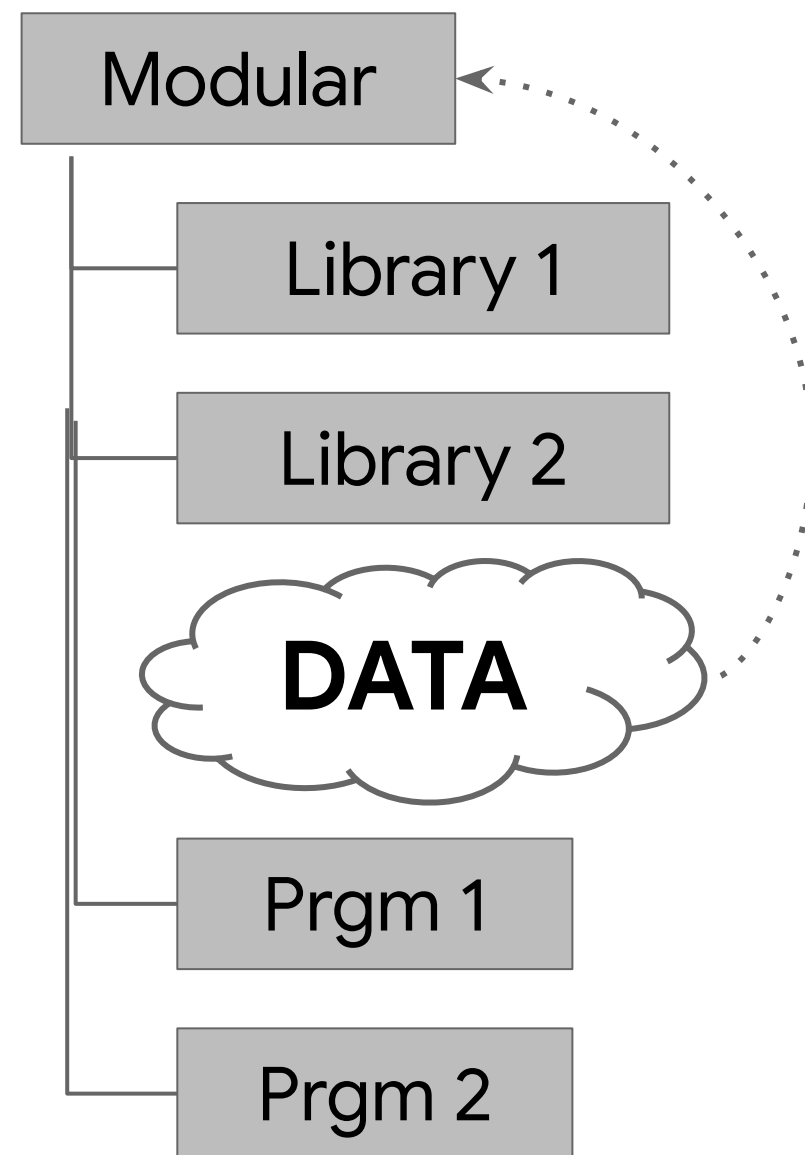
*Small and fast, portable  
Uses OS-level virtualization*





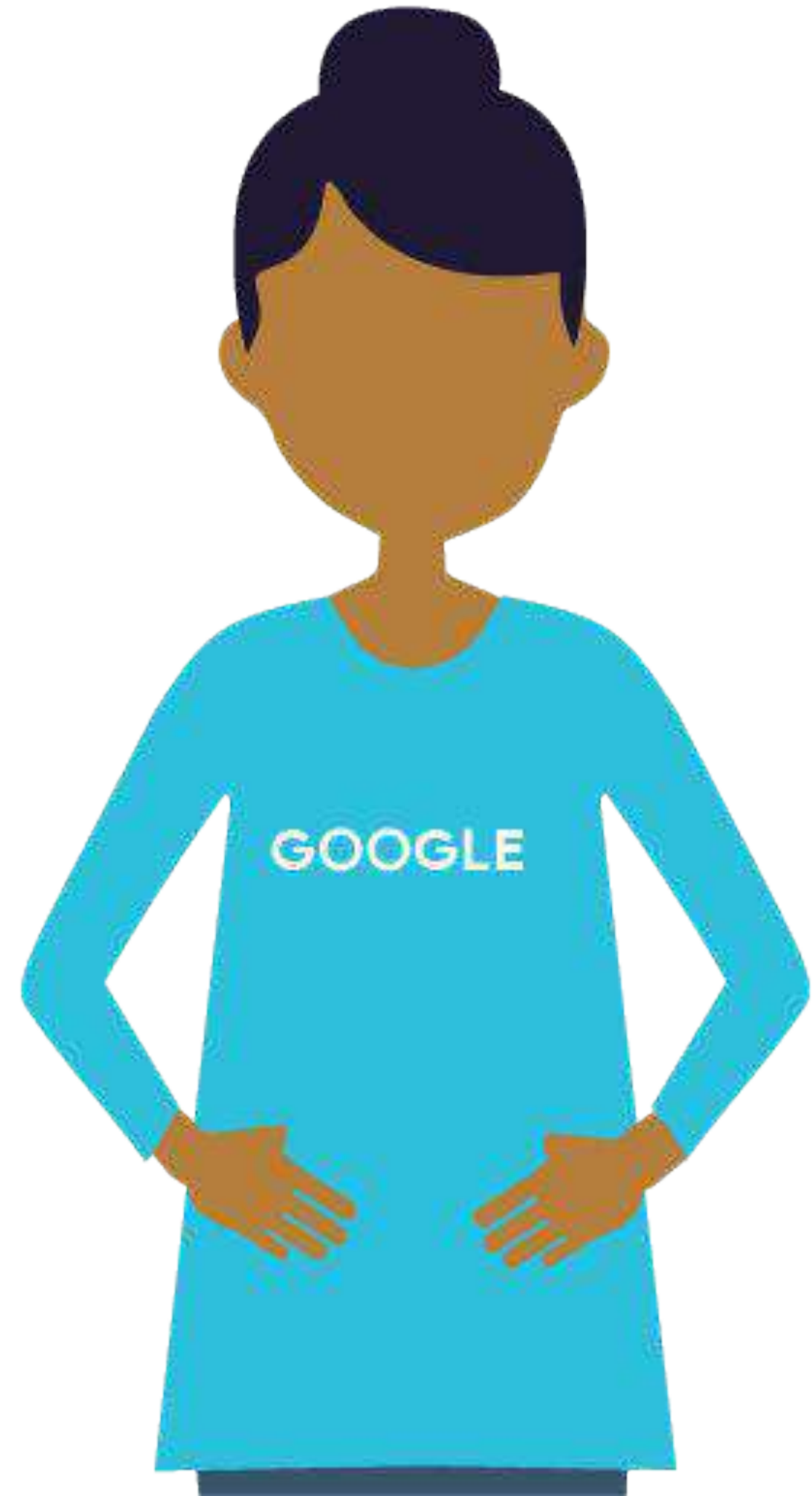


# Data: the Dependency Outside the Codebase



# Mismanaged Dependencies are Costly

- X Losses in prediction quality
- X Decreases to system stability
- X Decreases in team productivity



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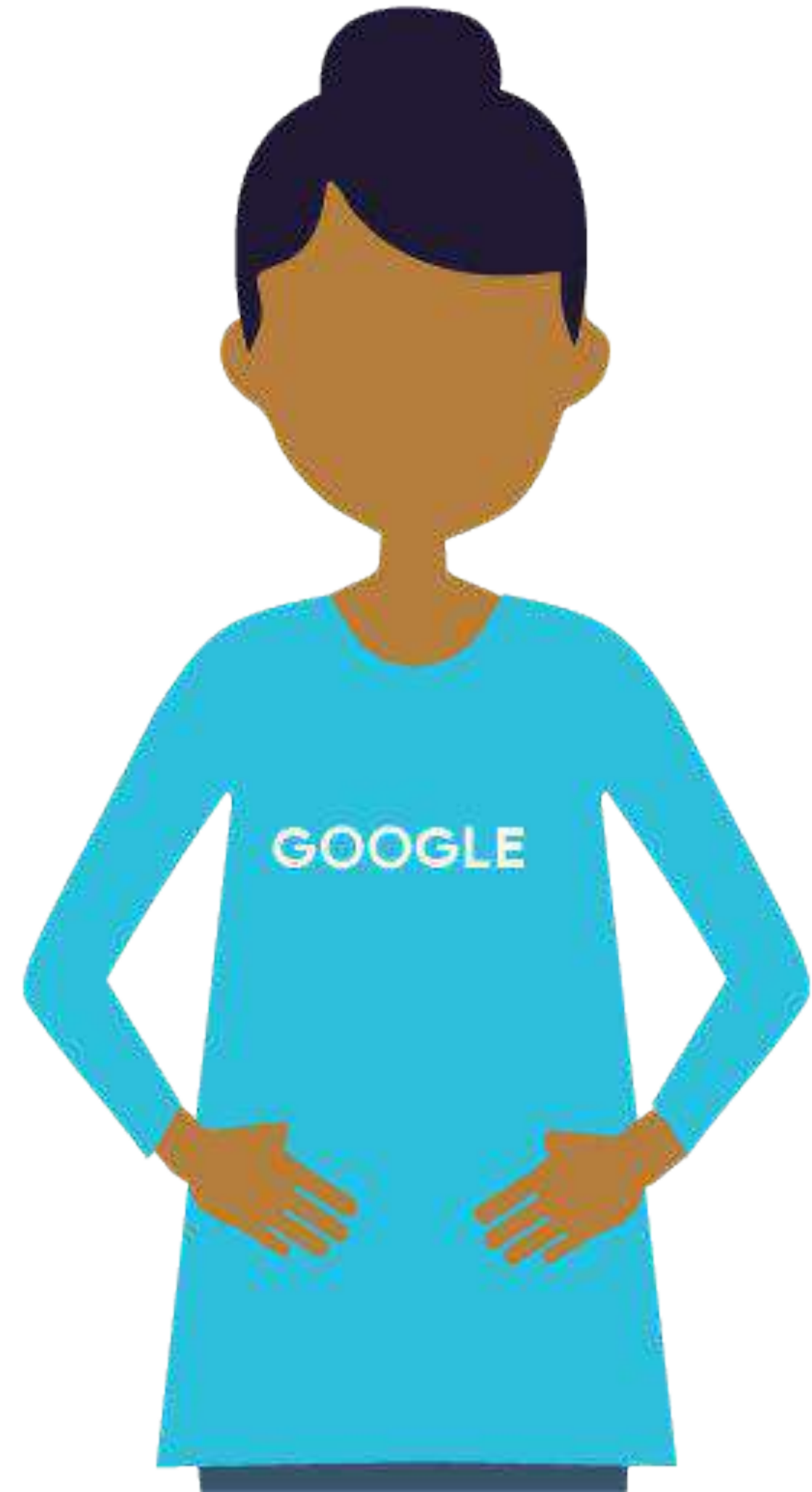
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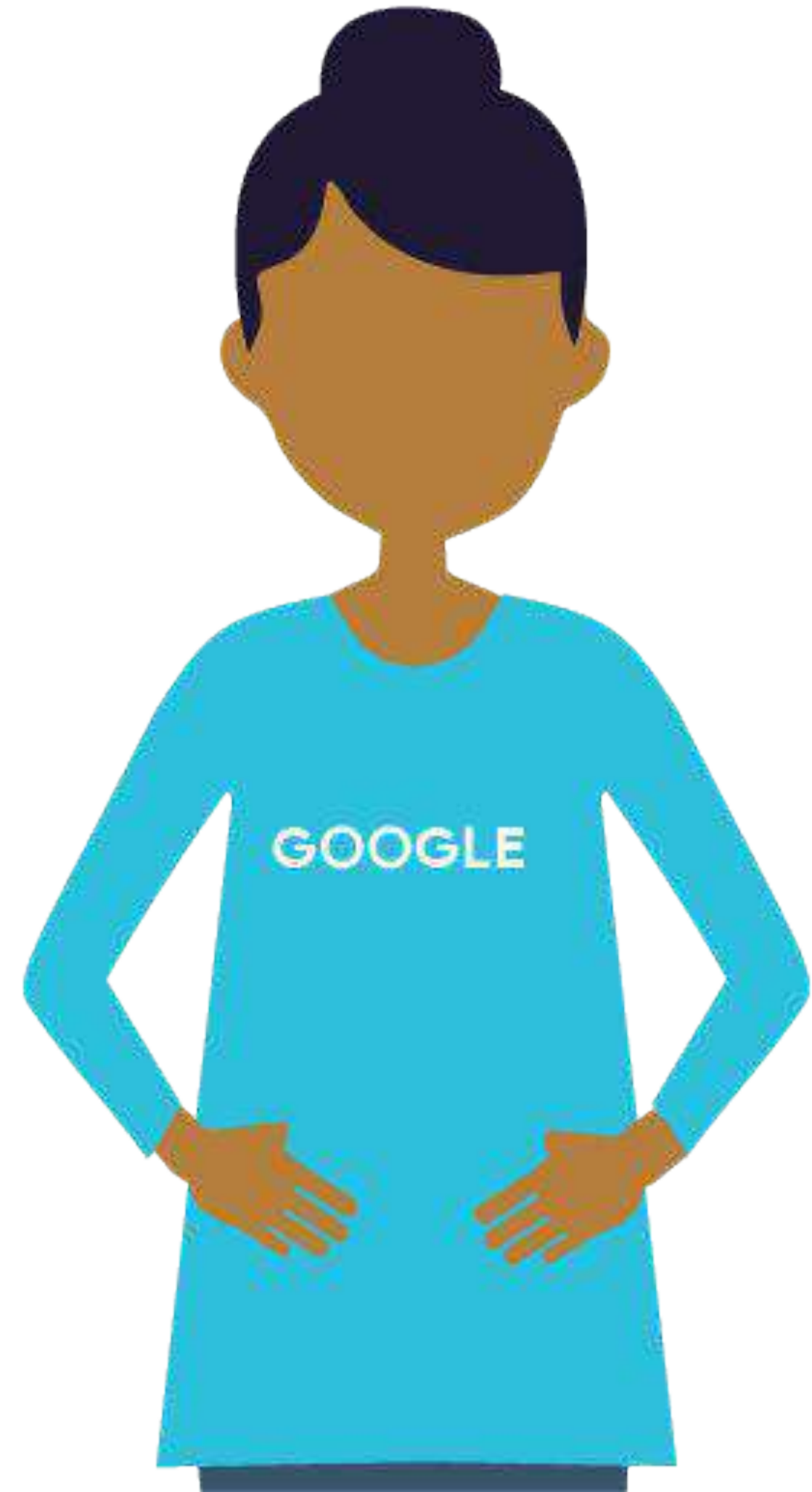
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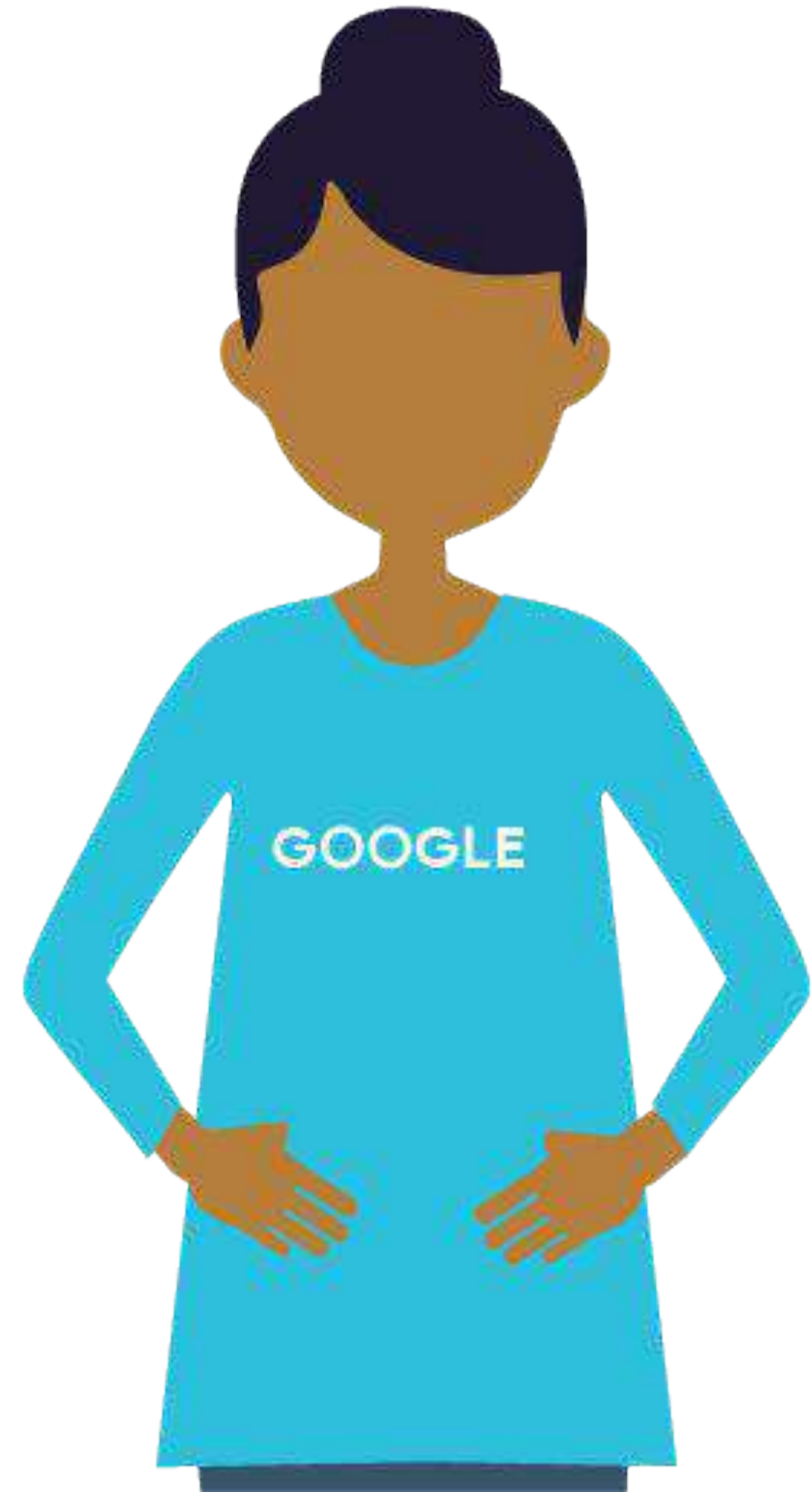
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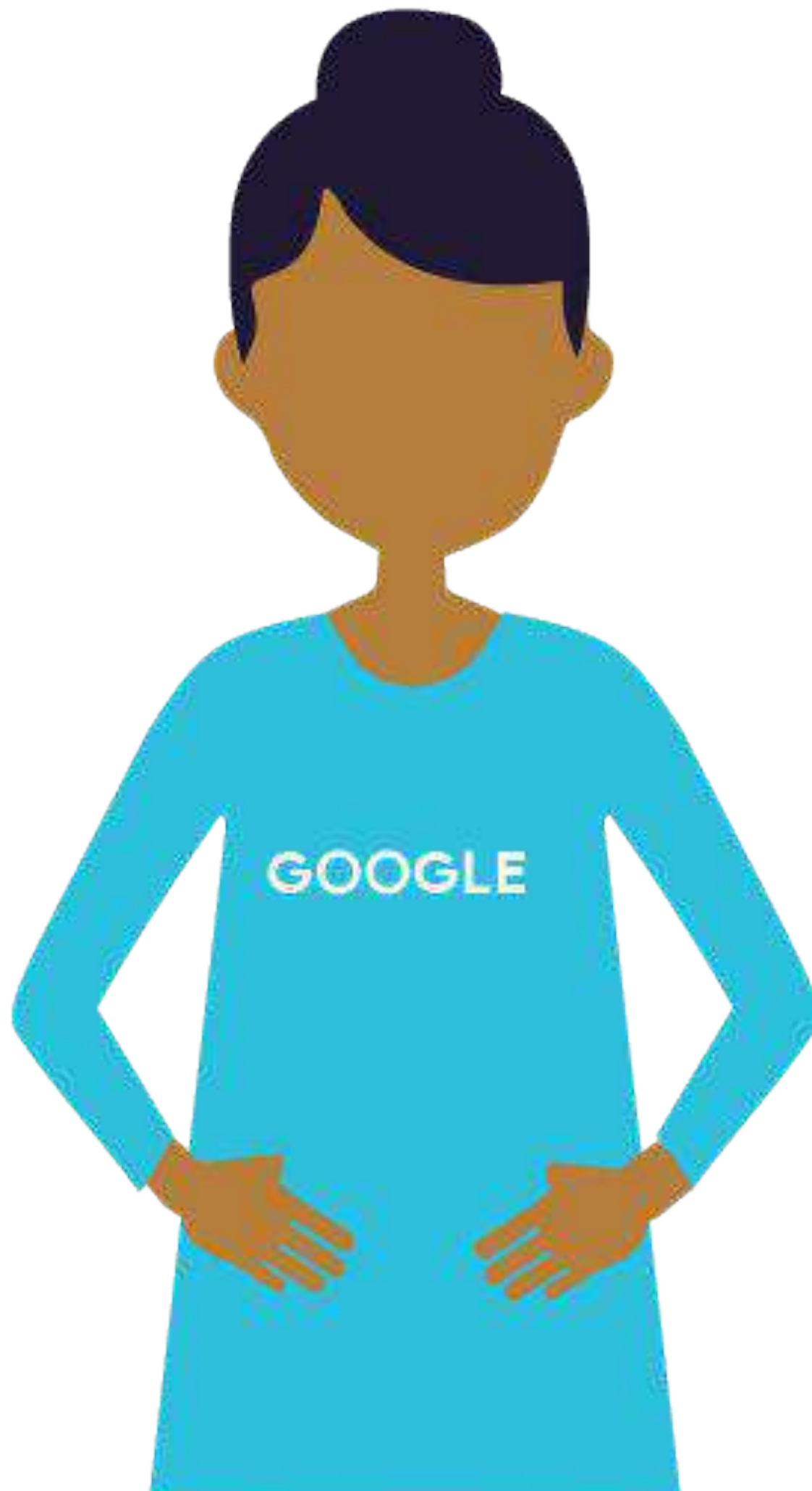
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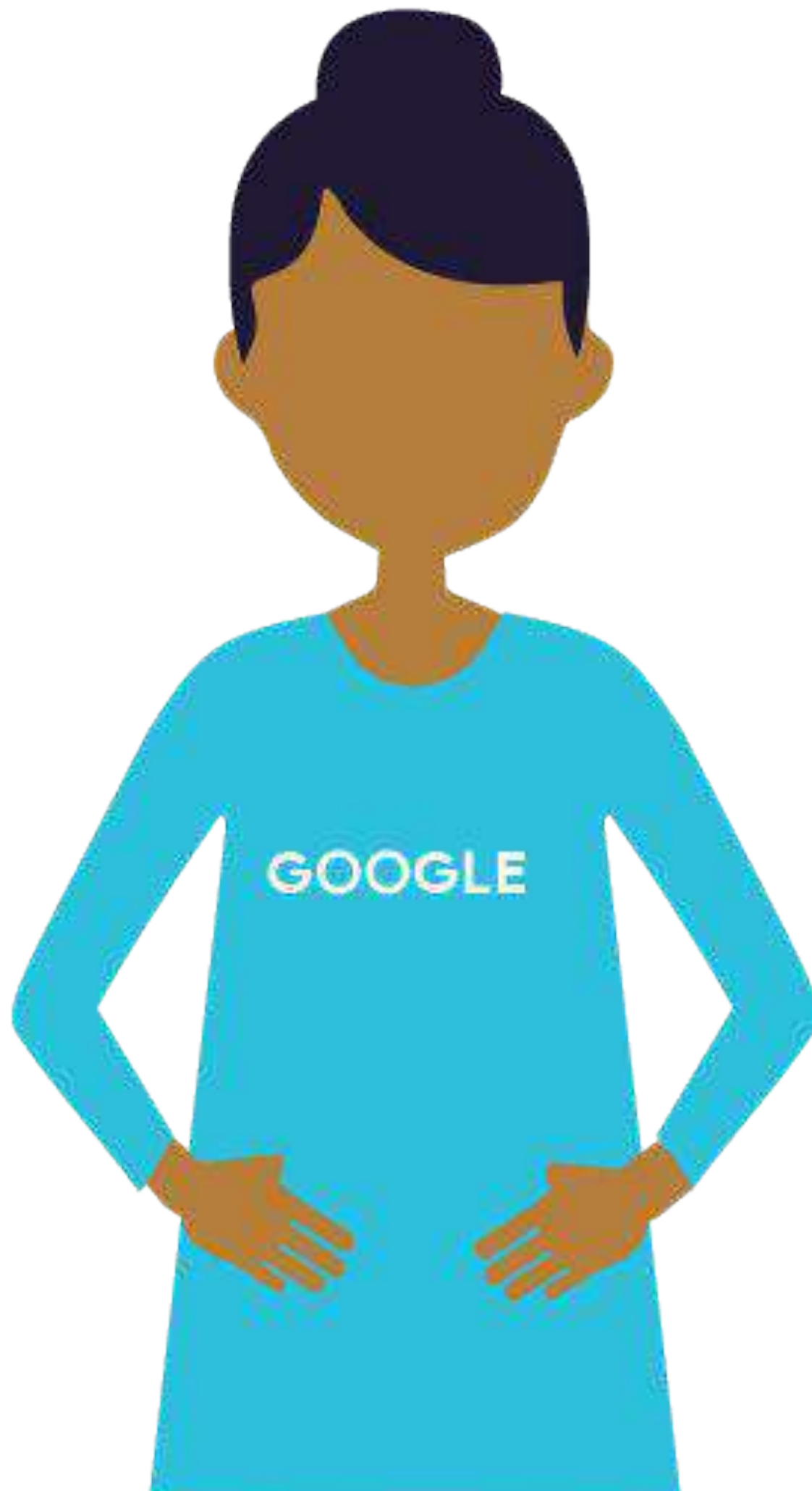
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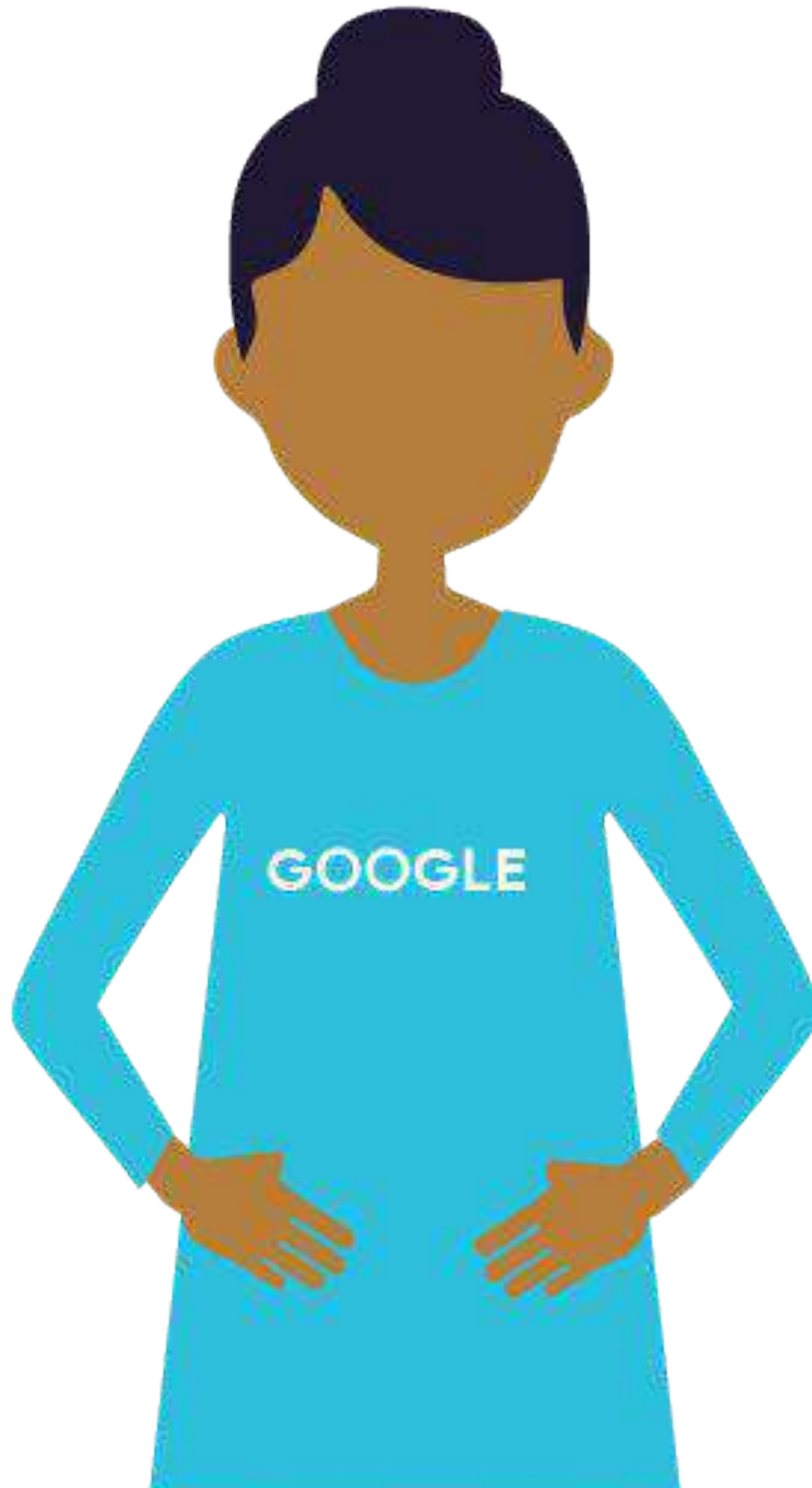
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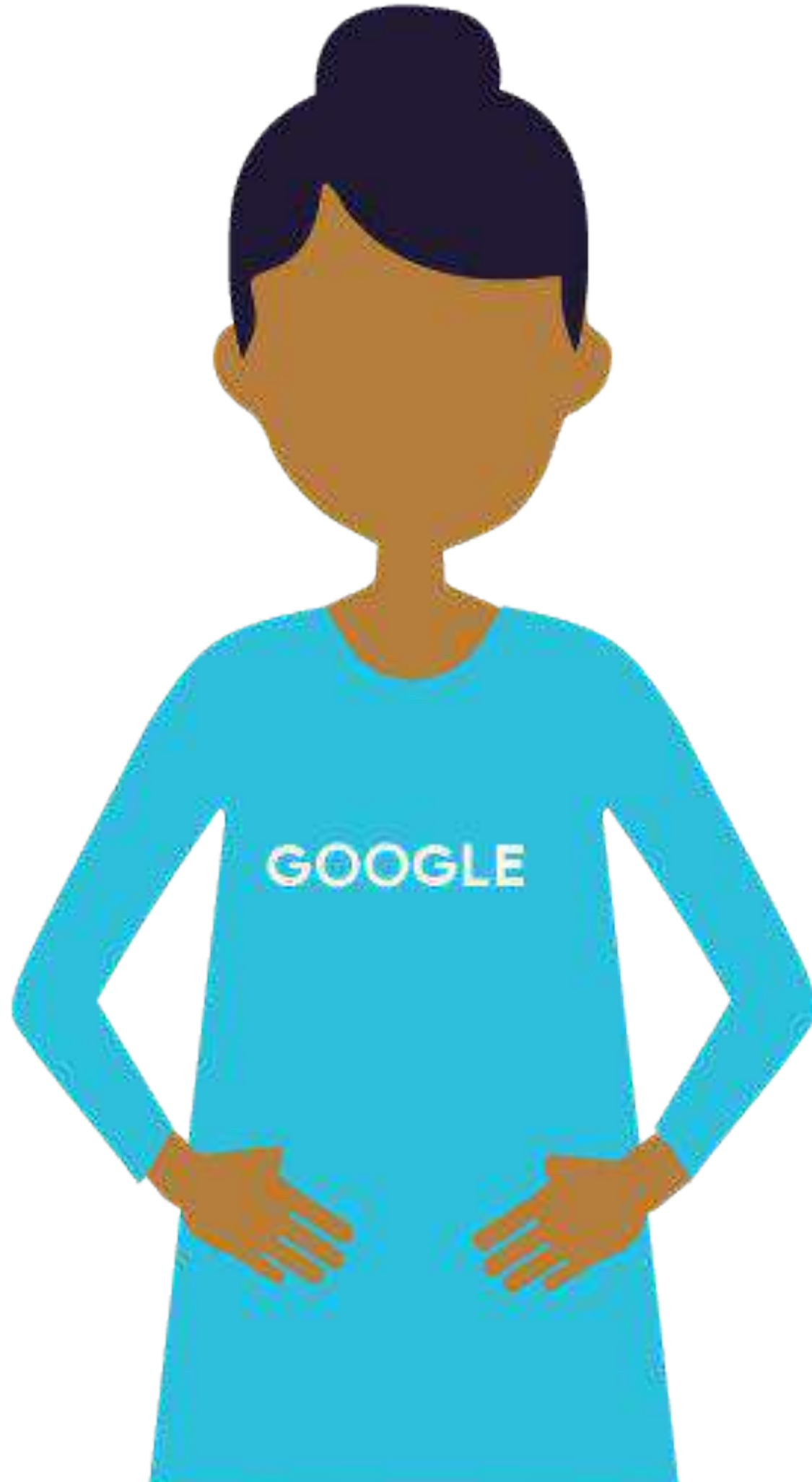
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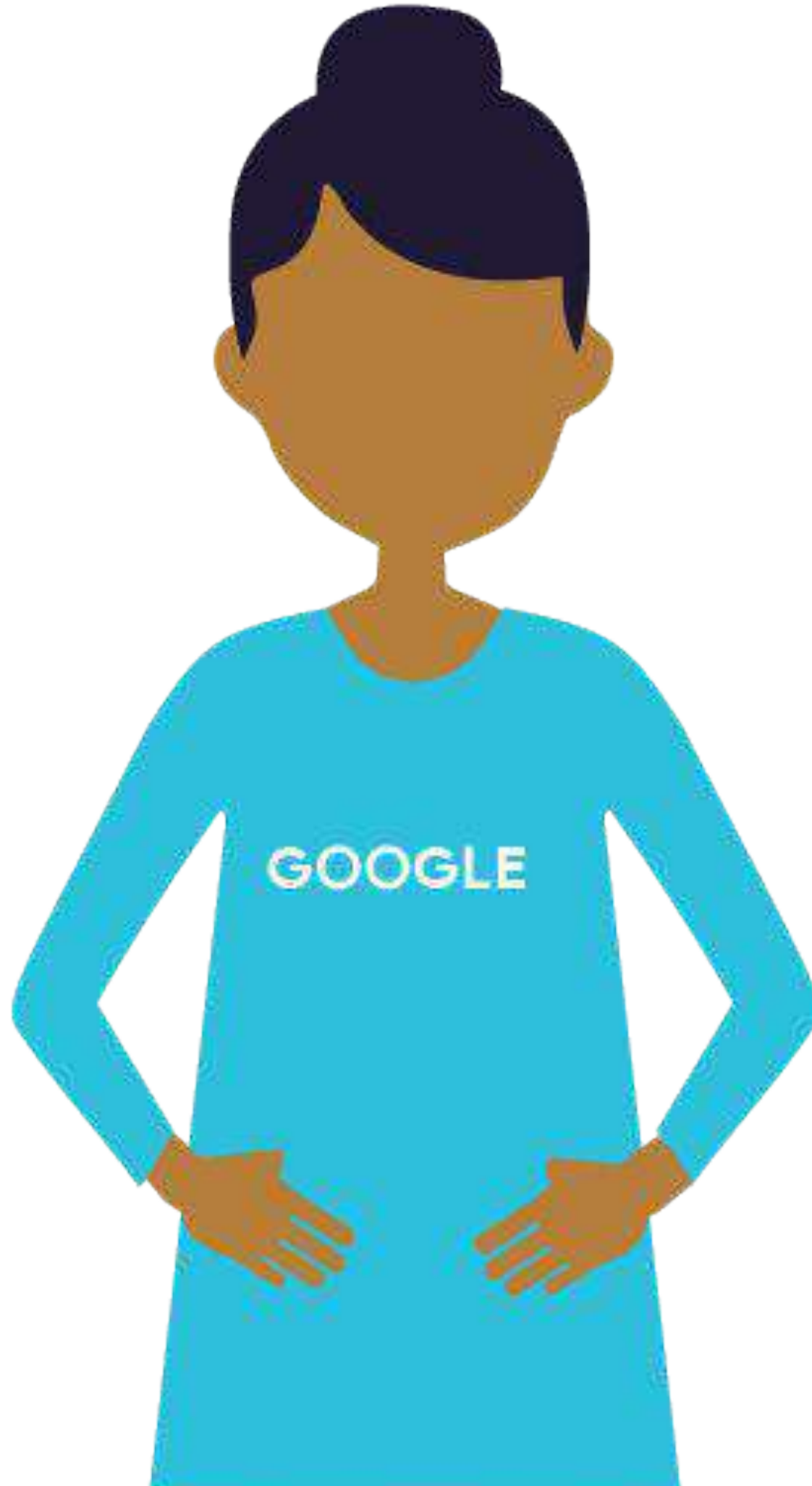
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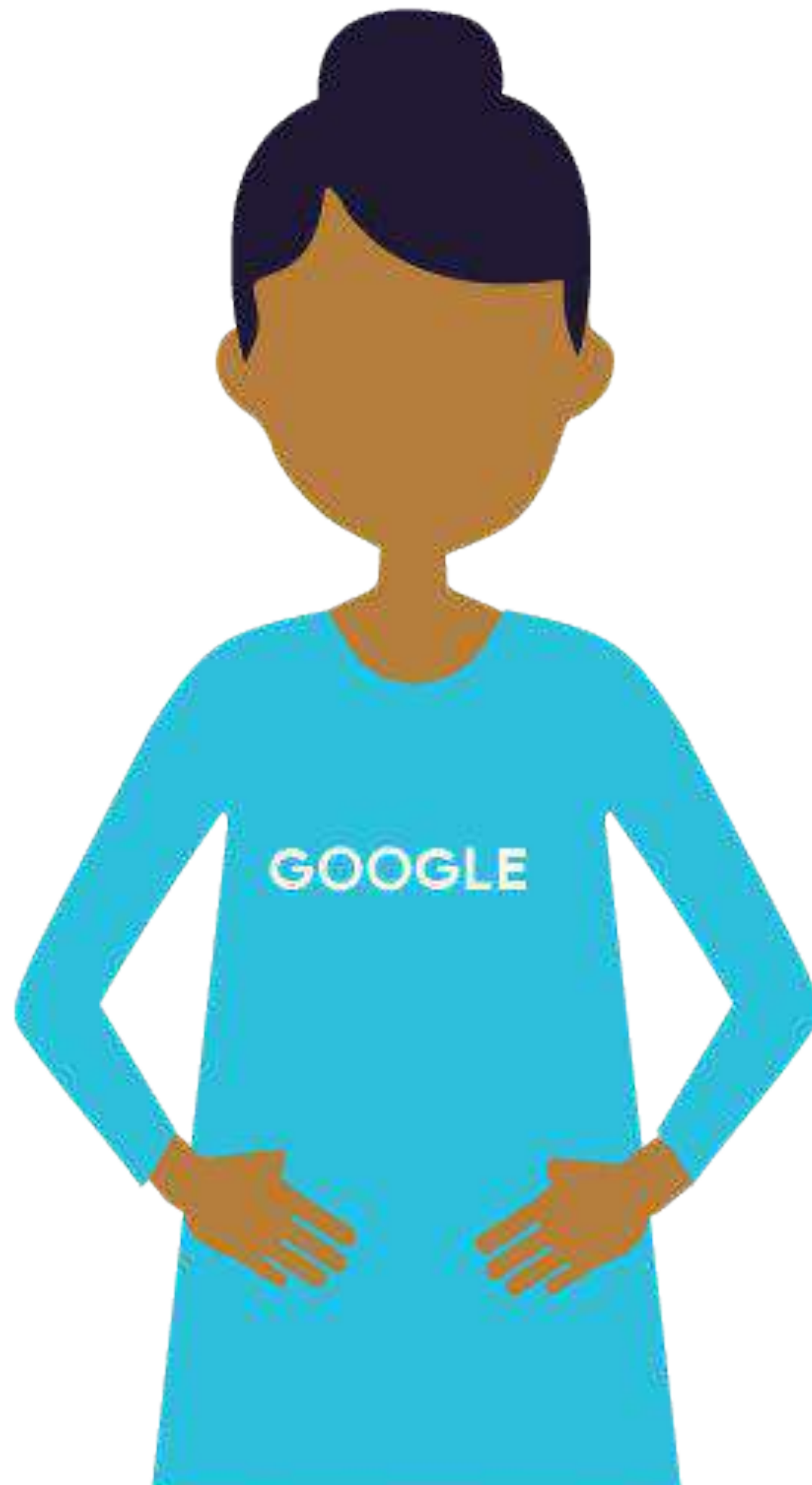
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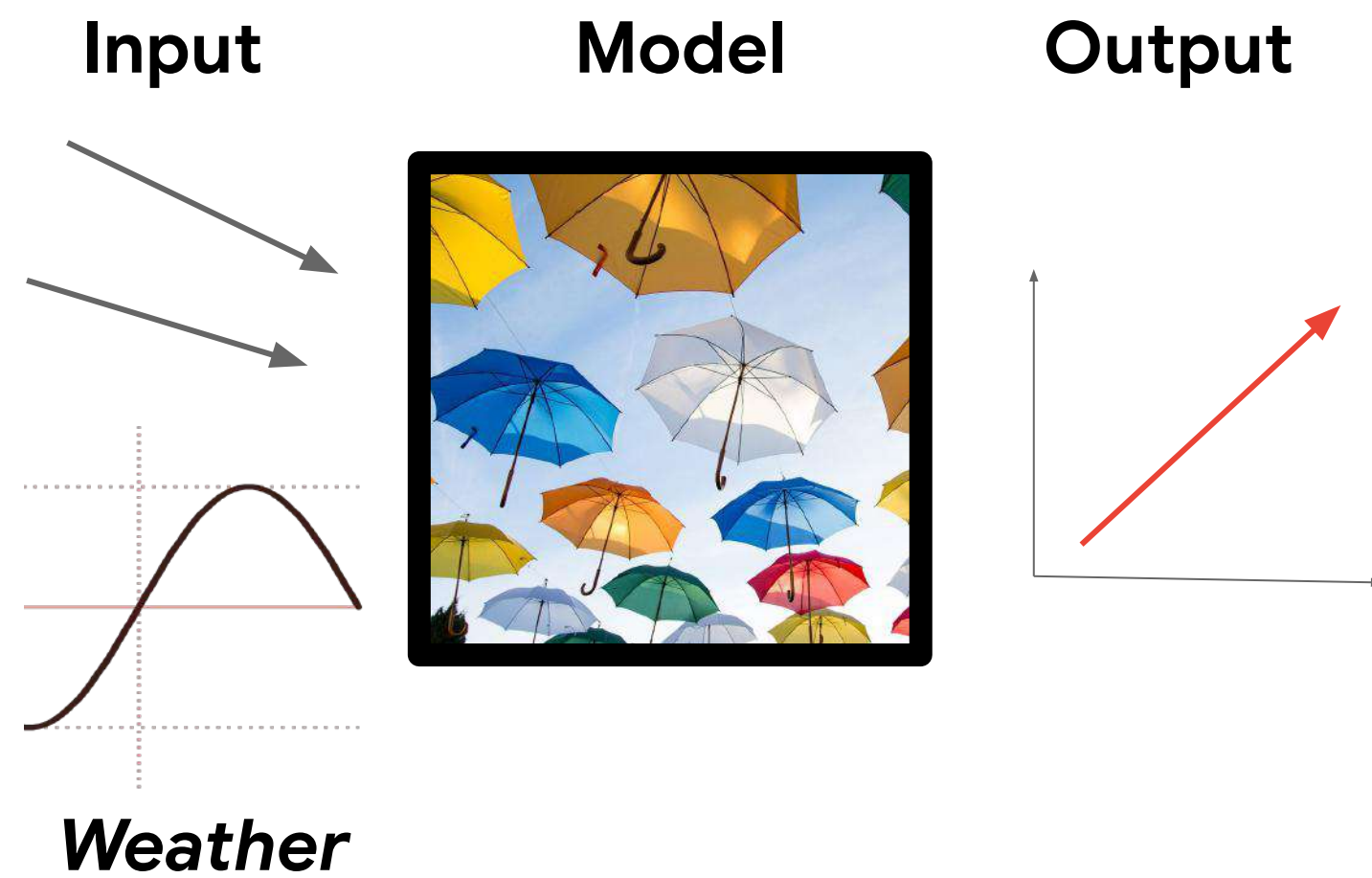


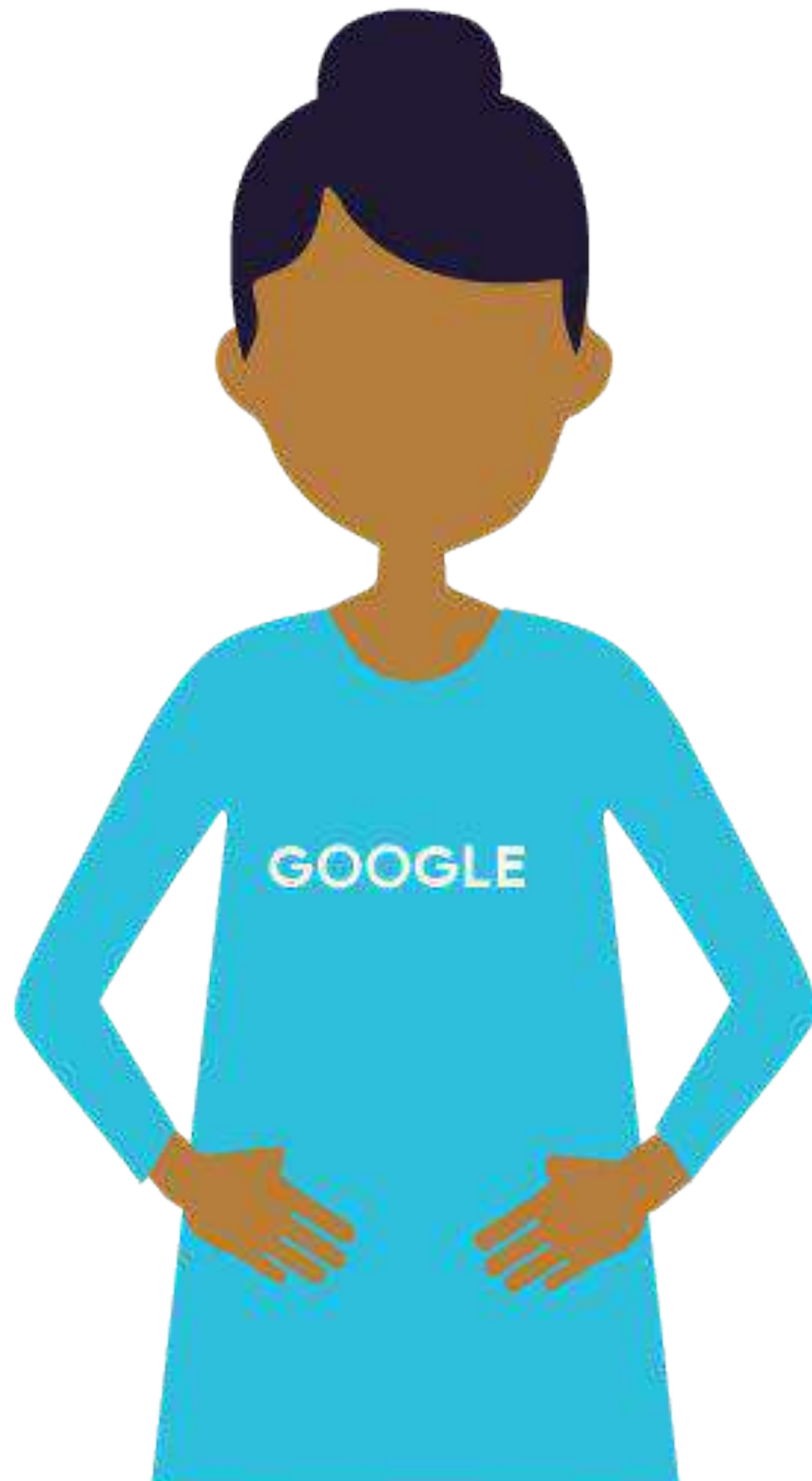
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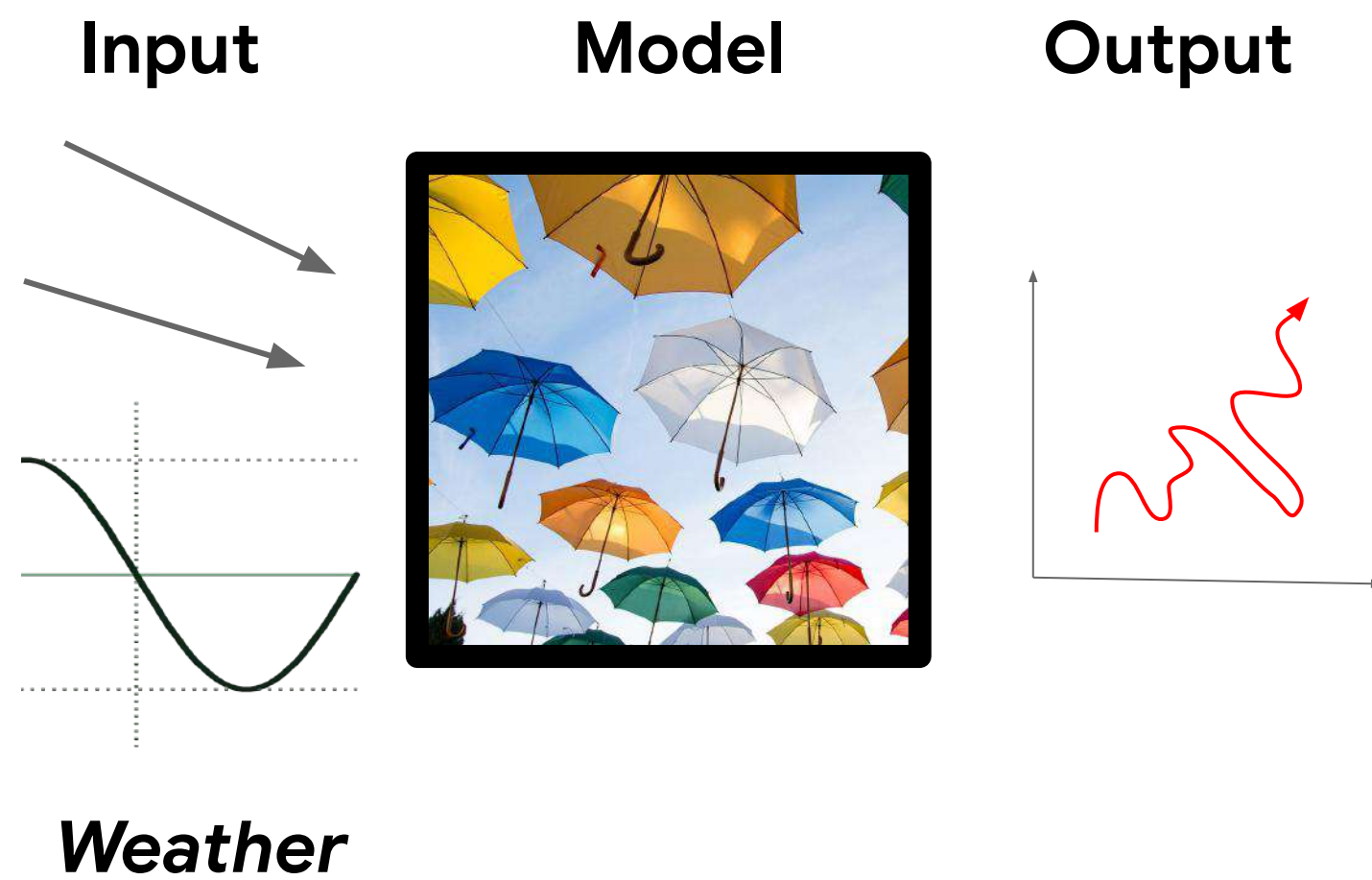


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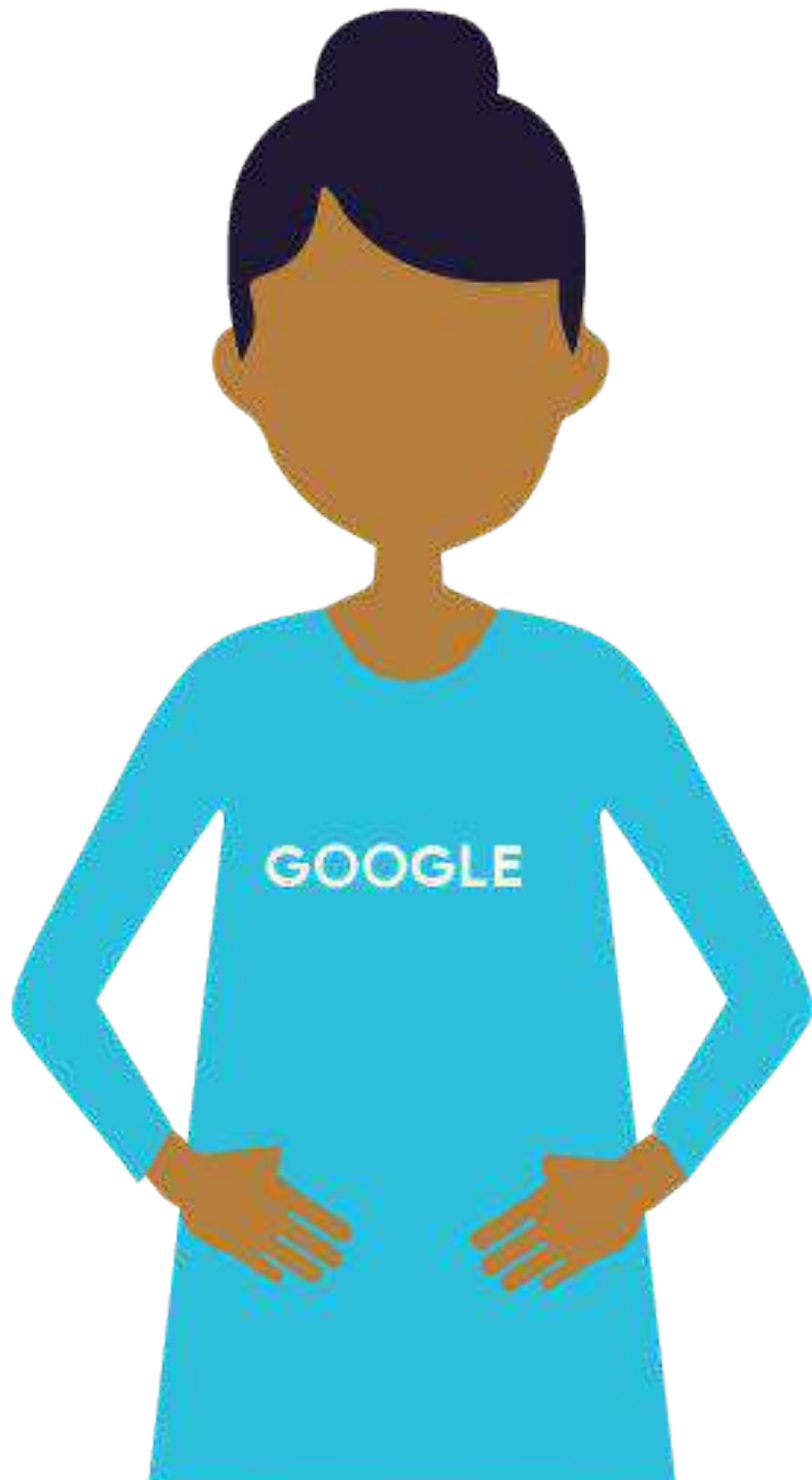




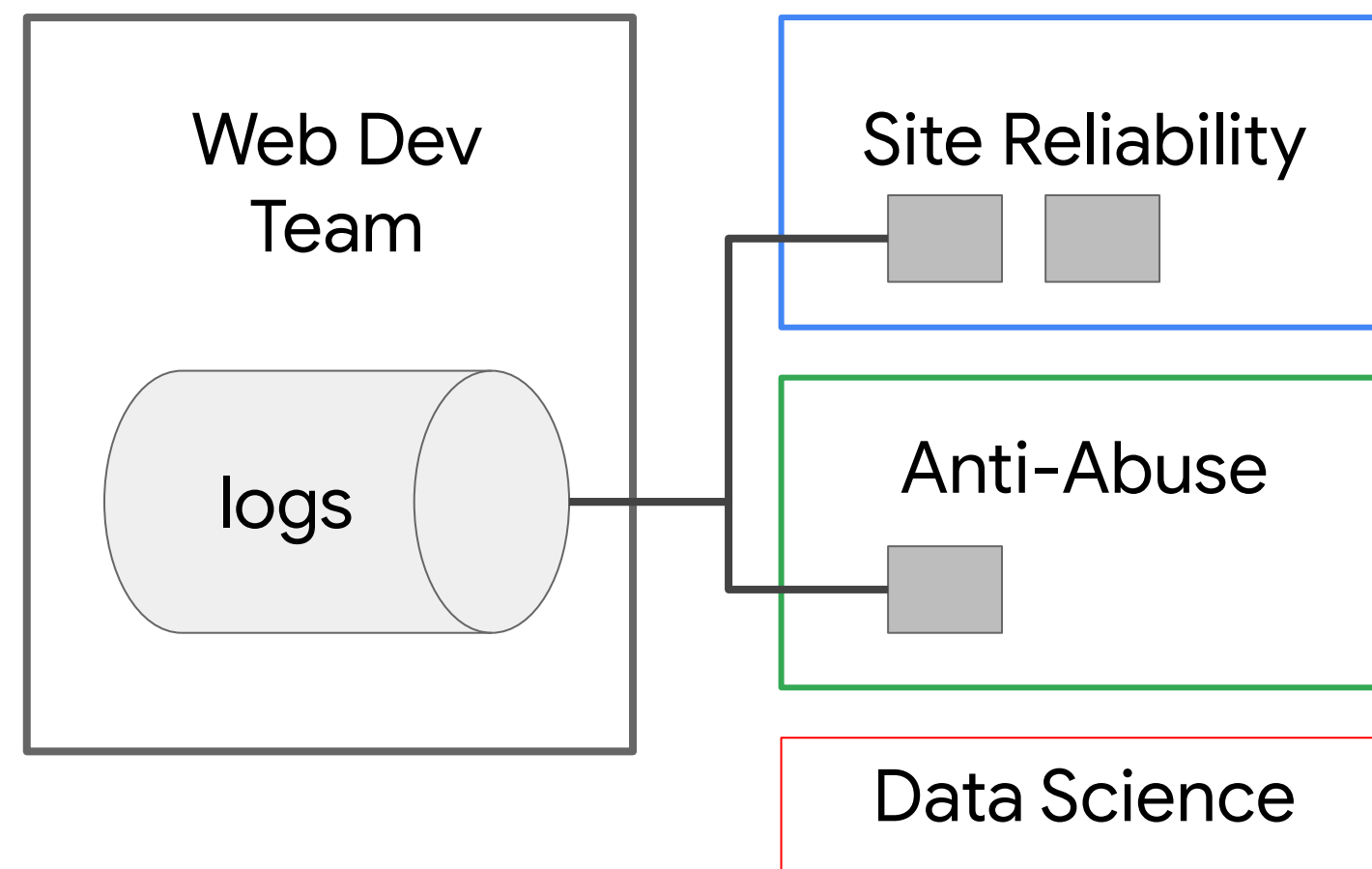
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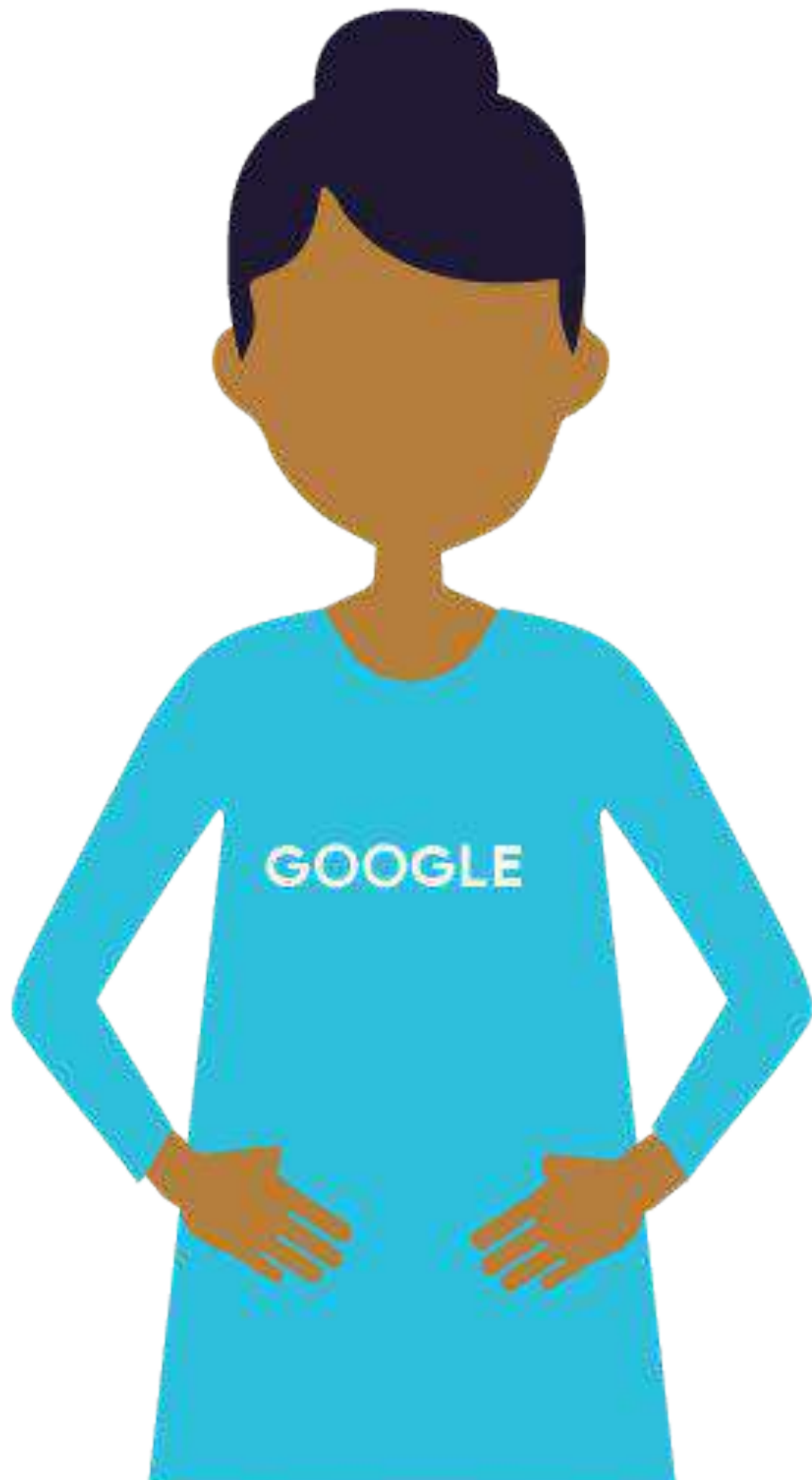




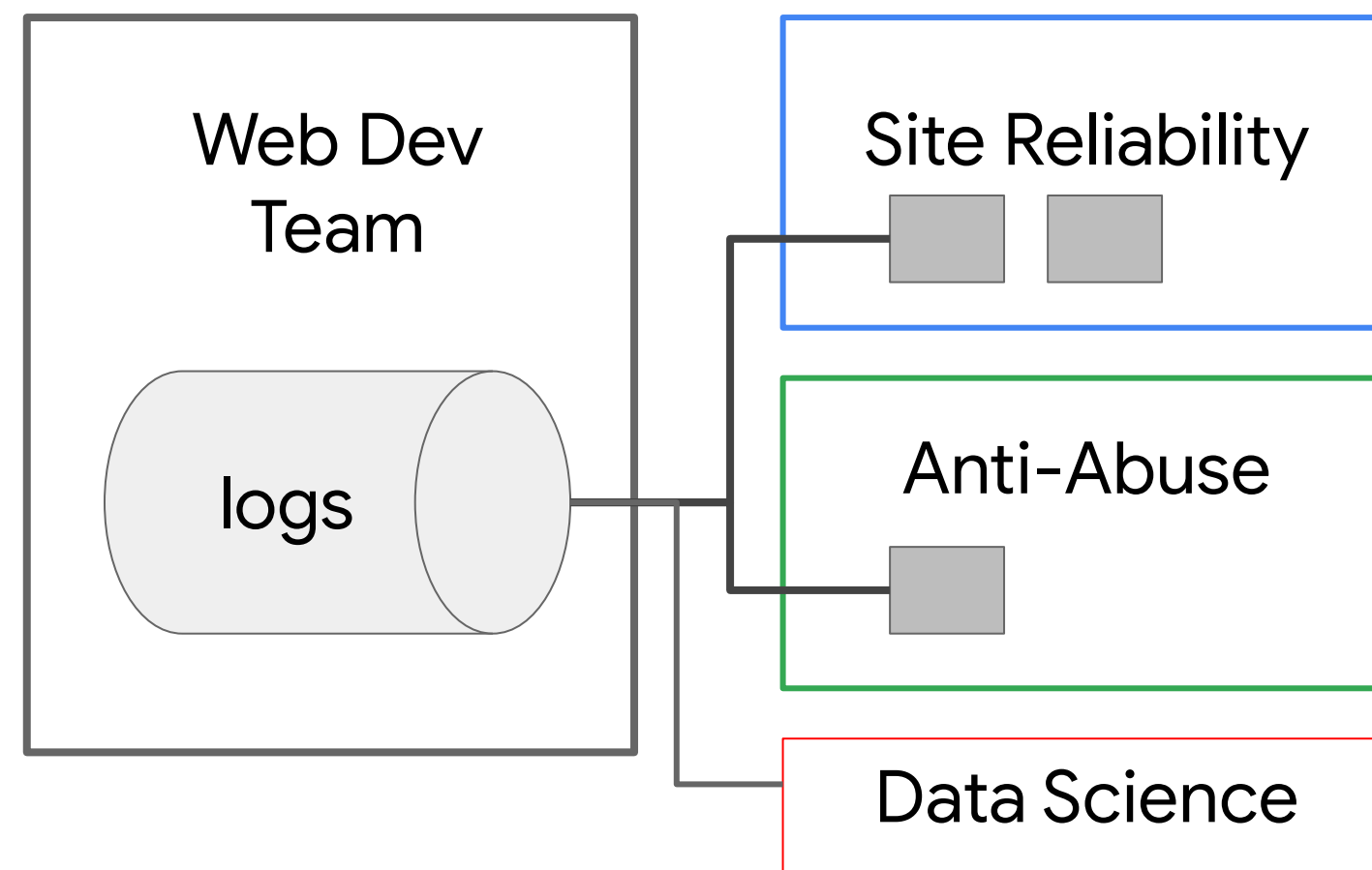


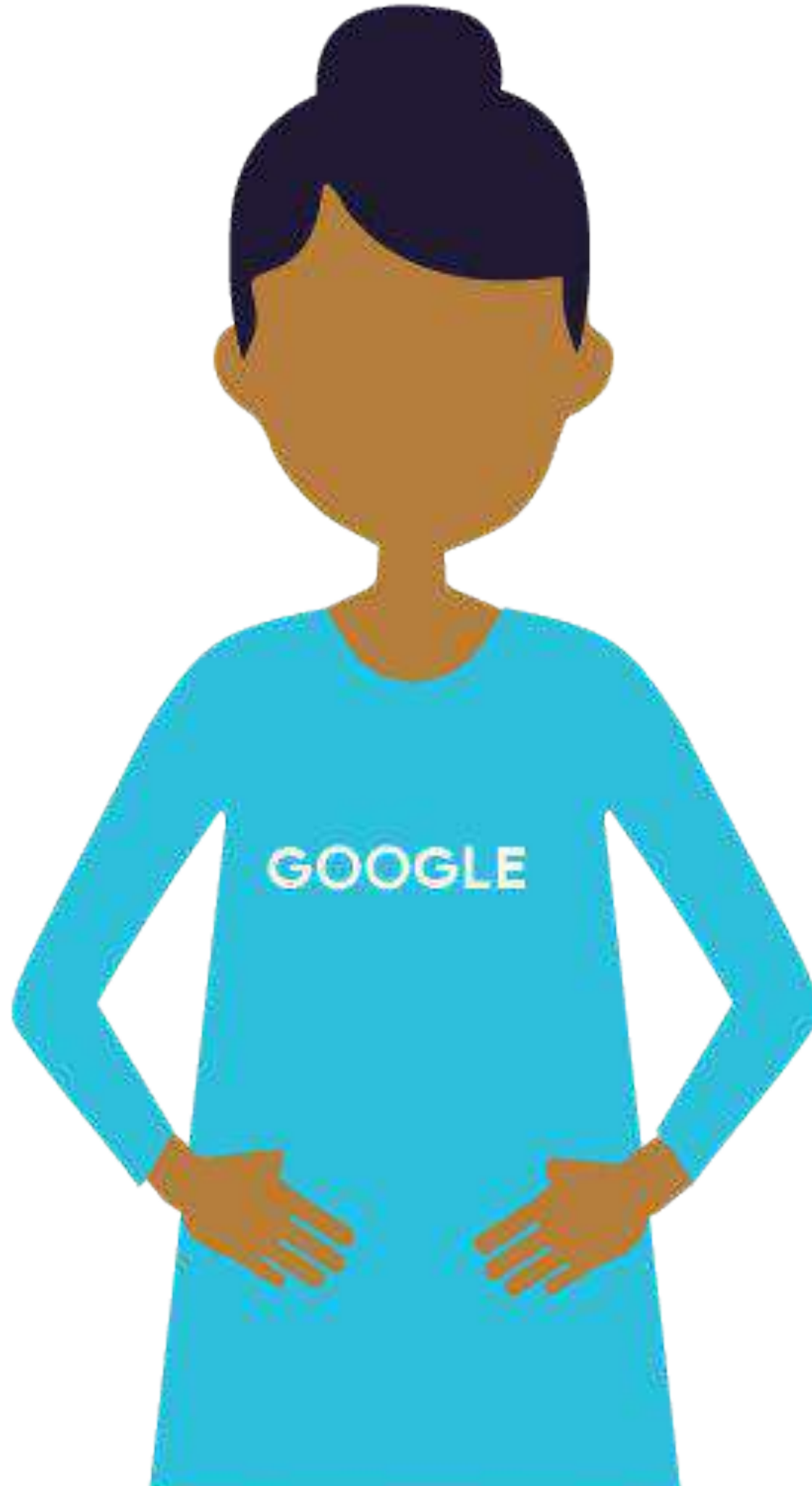
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Web Dev  
Team

logs

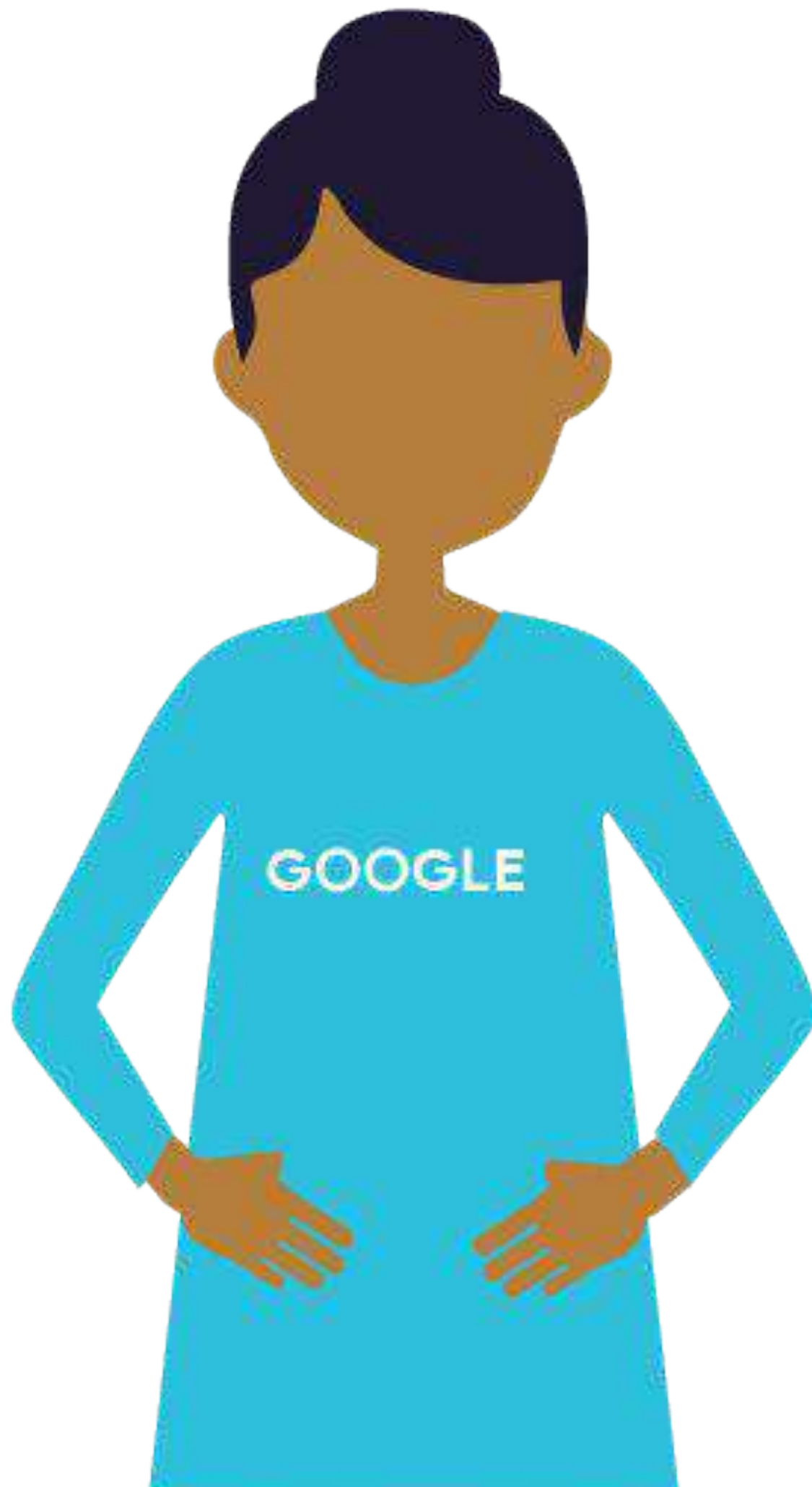
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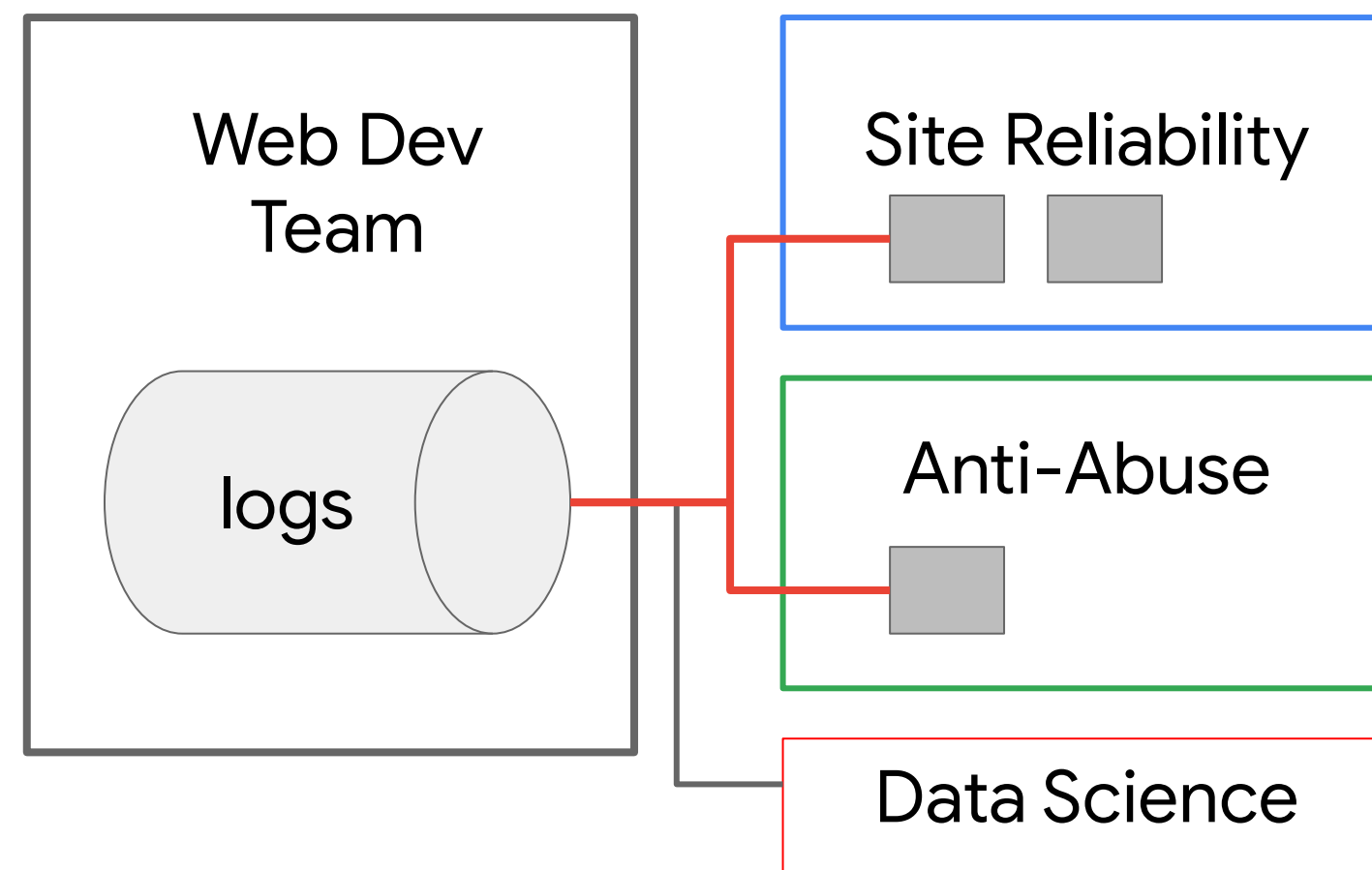
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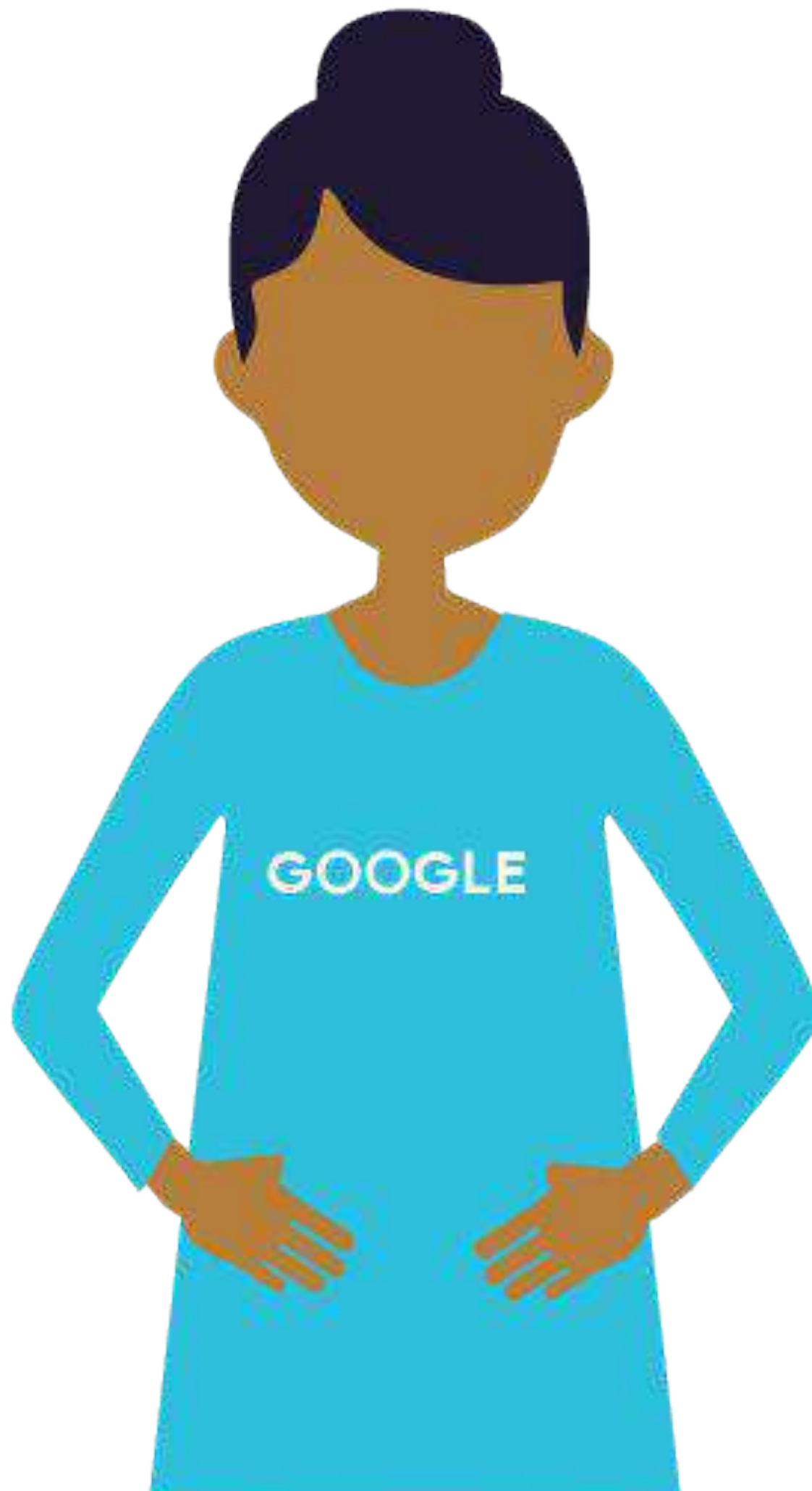
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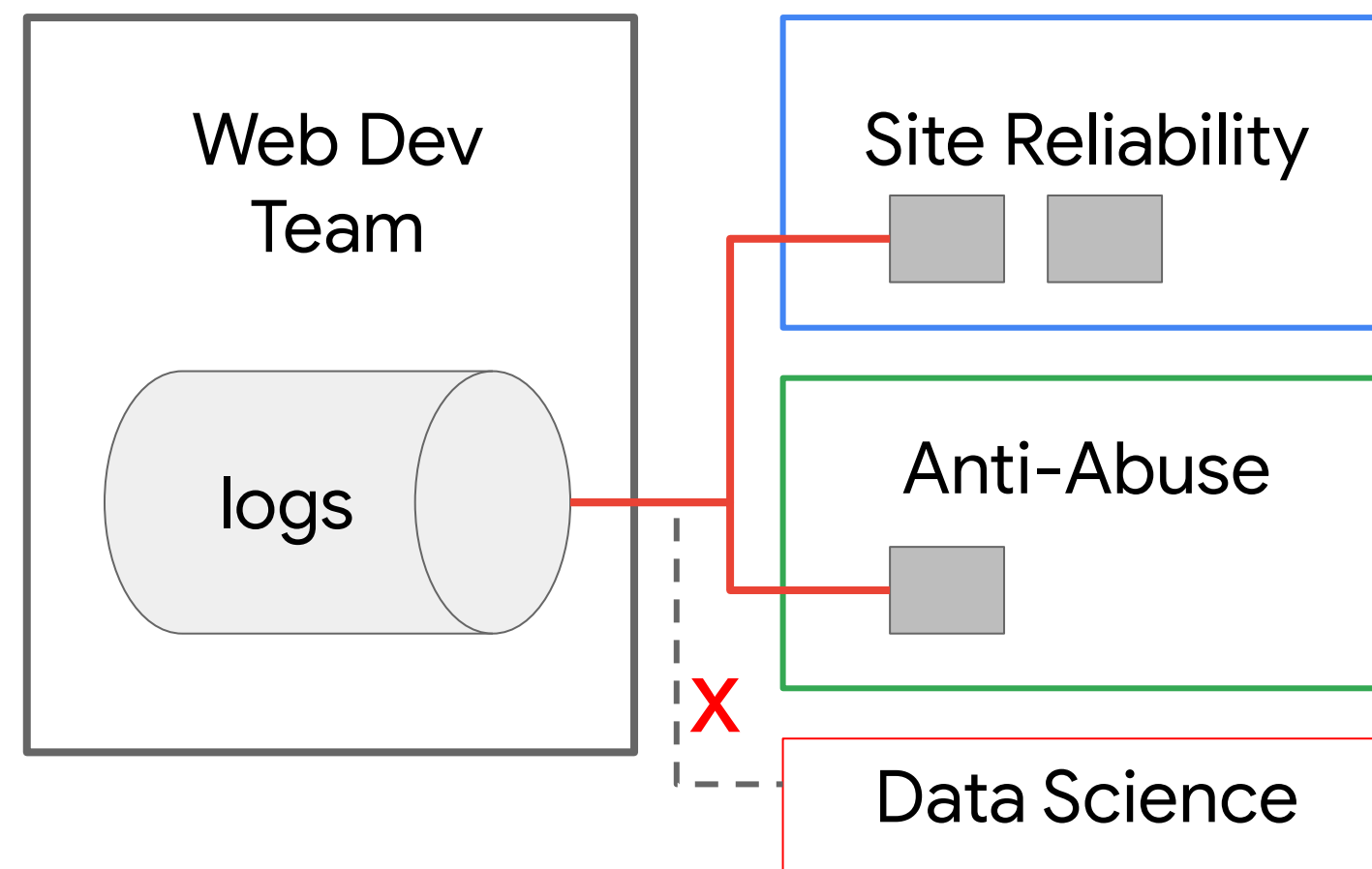
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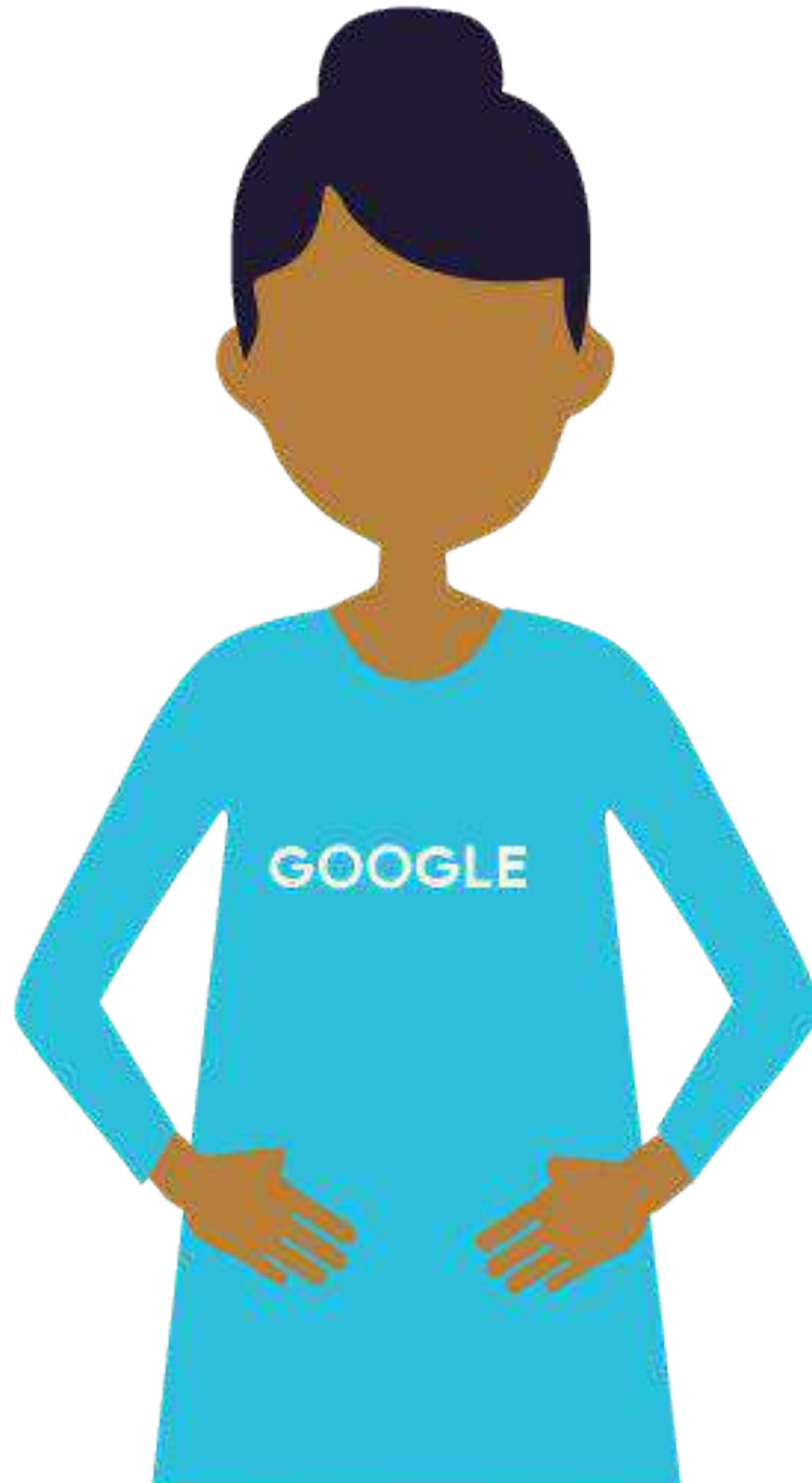




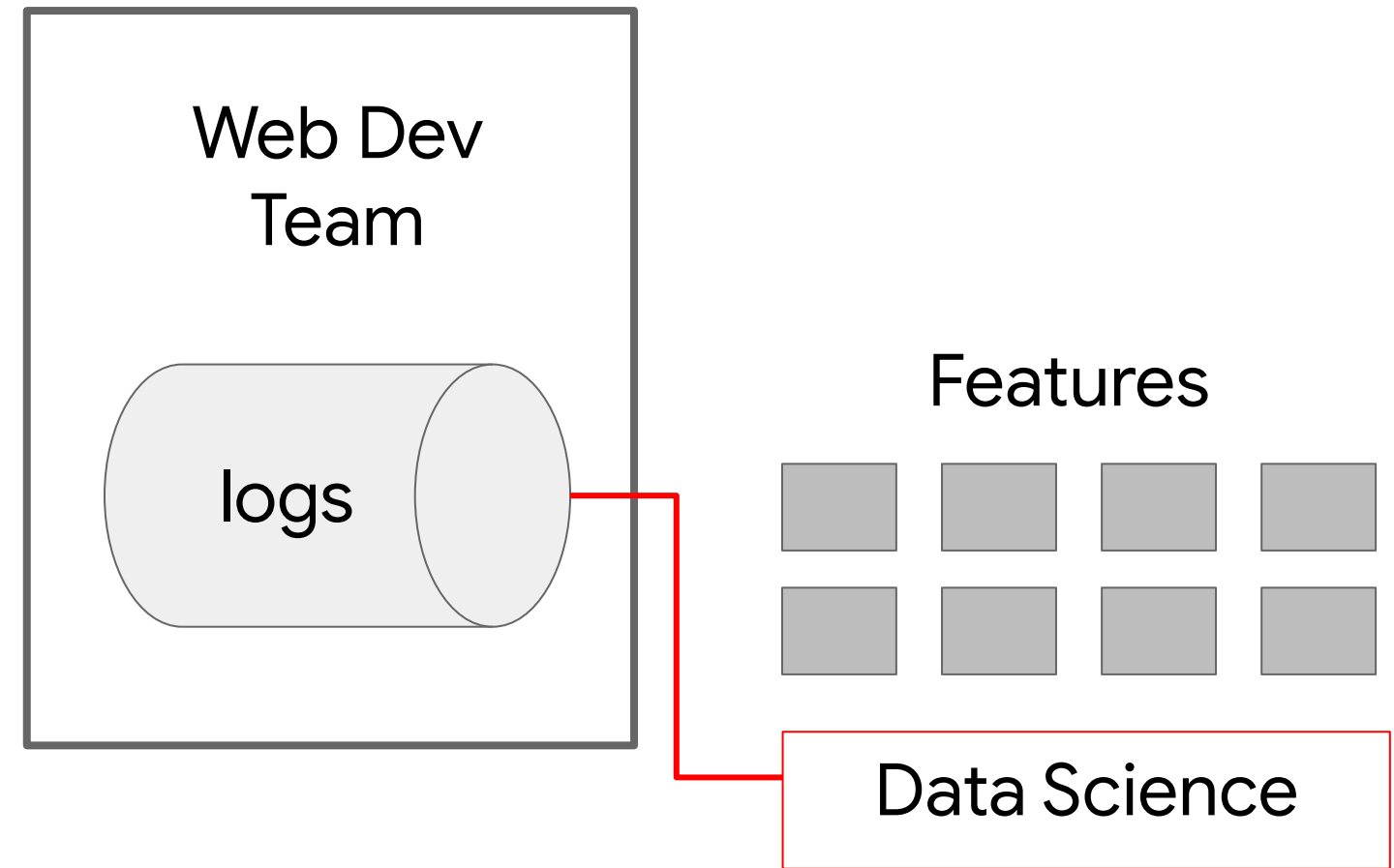


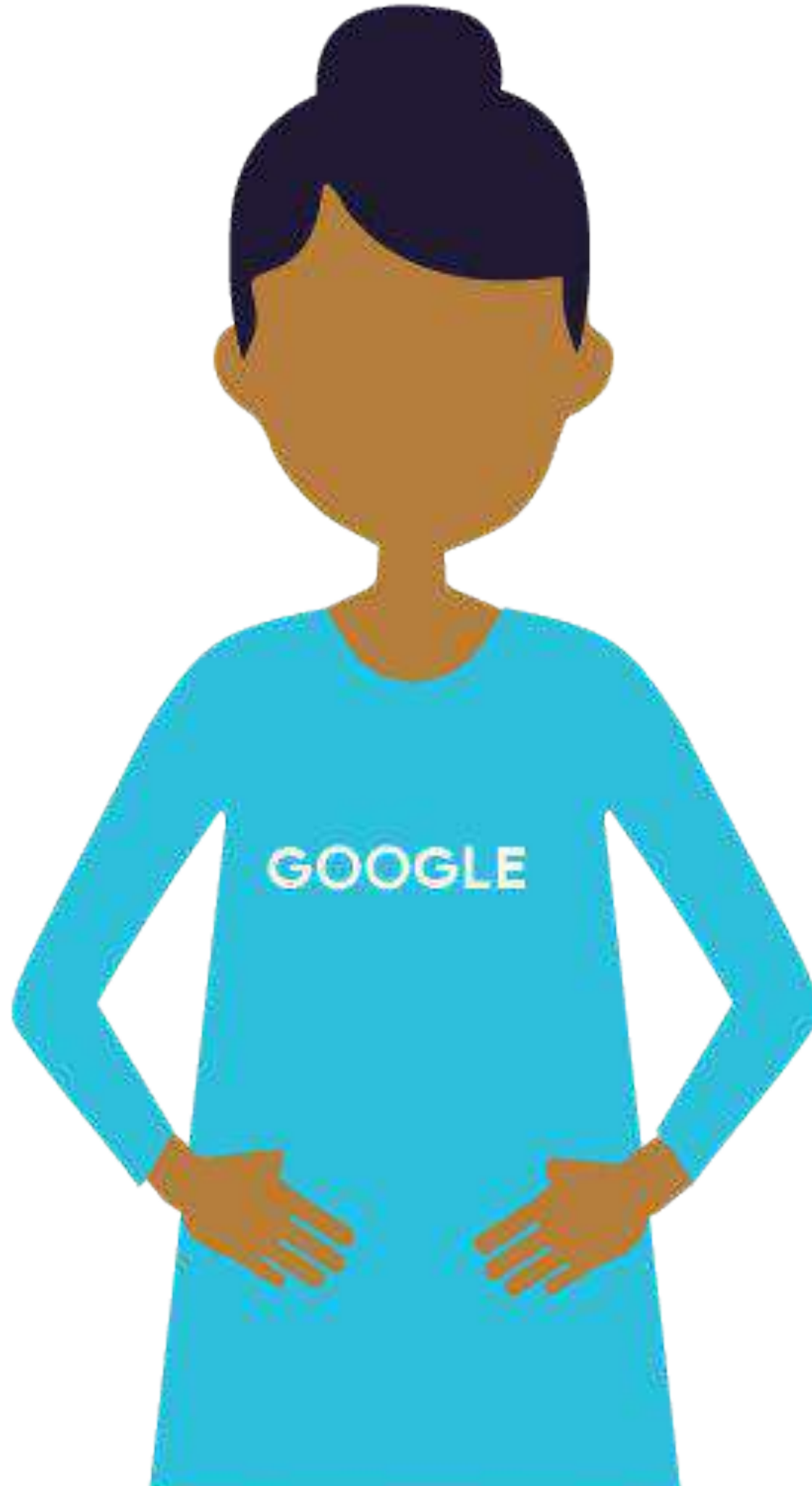
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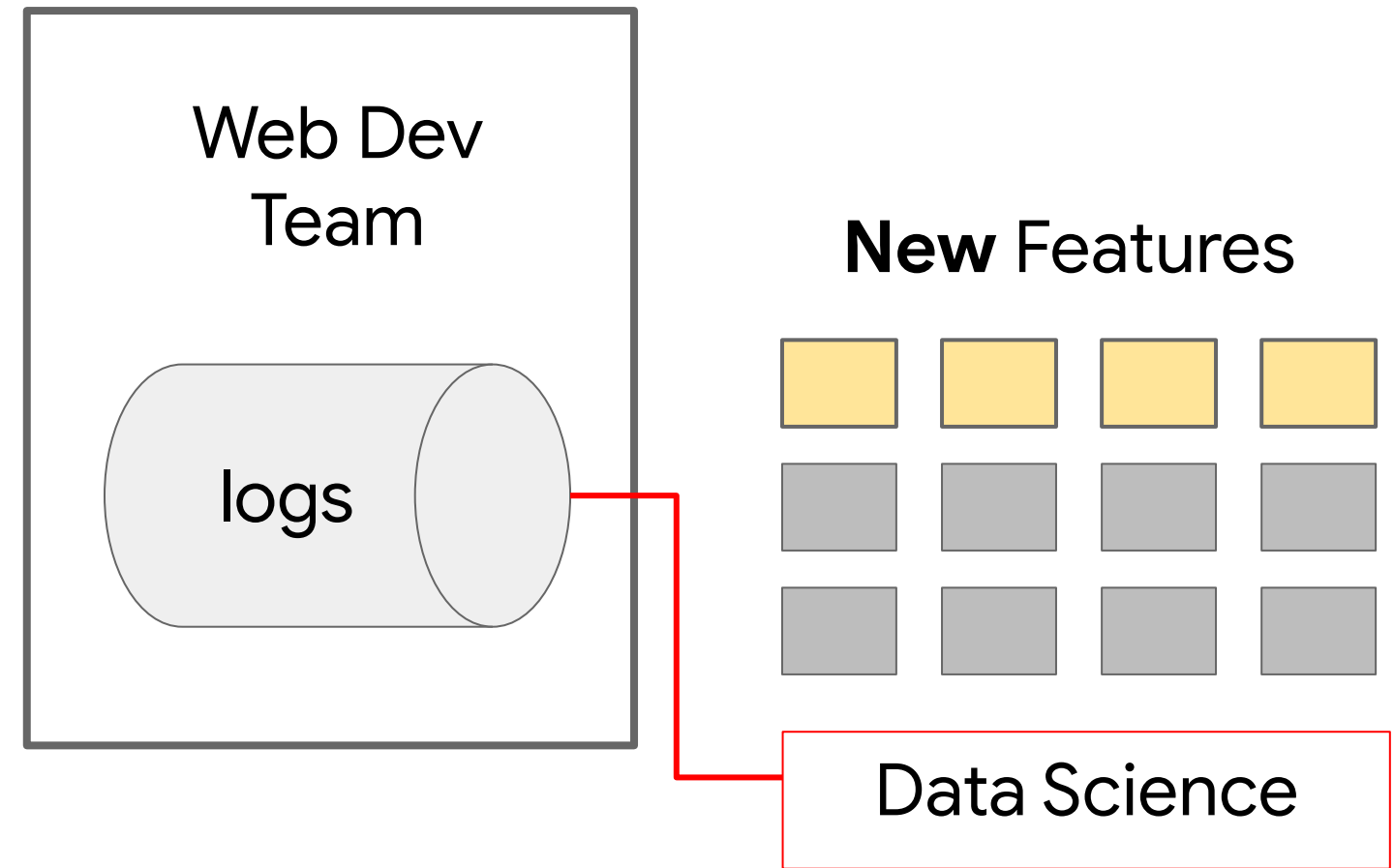


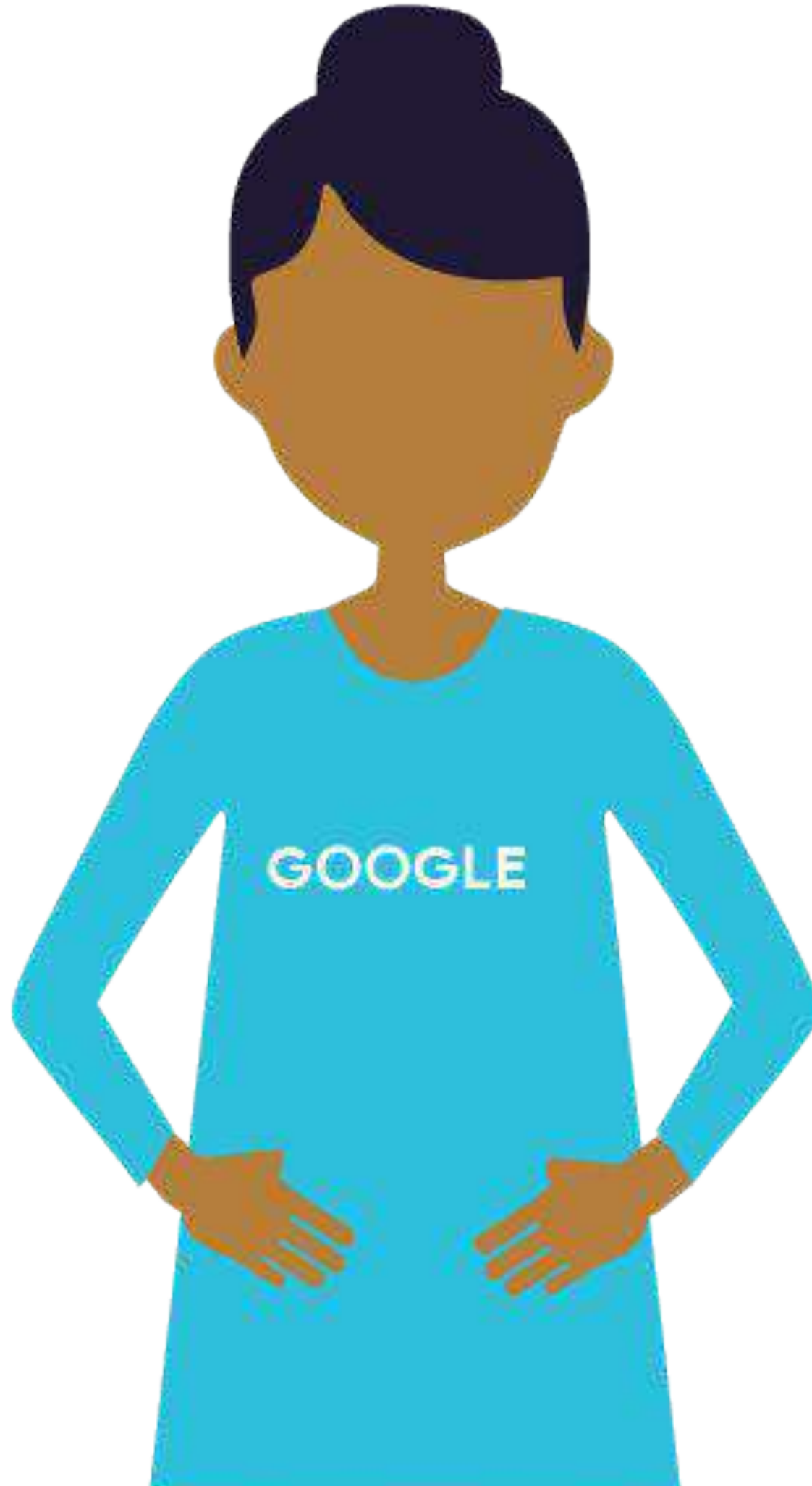
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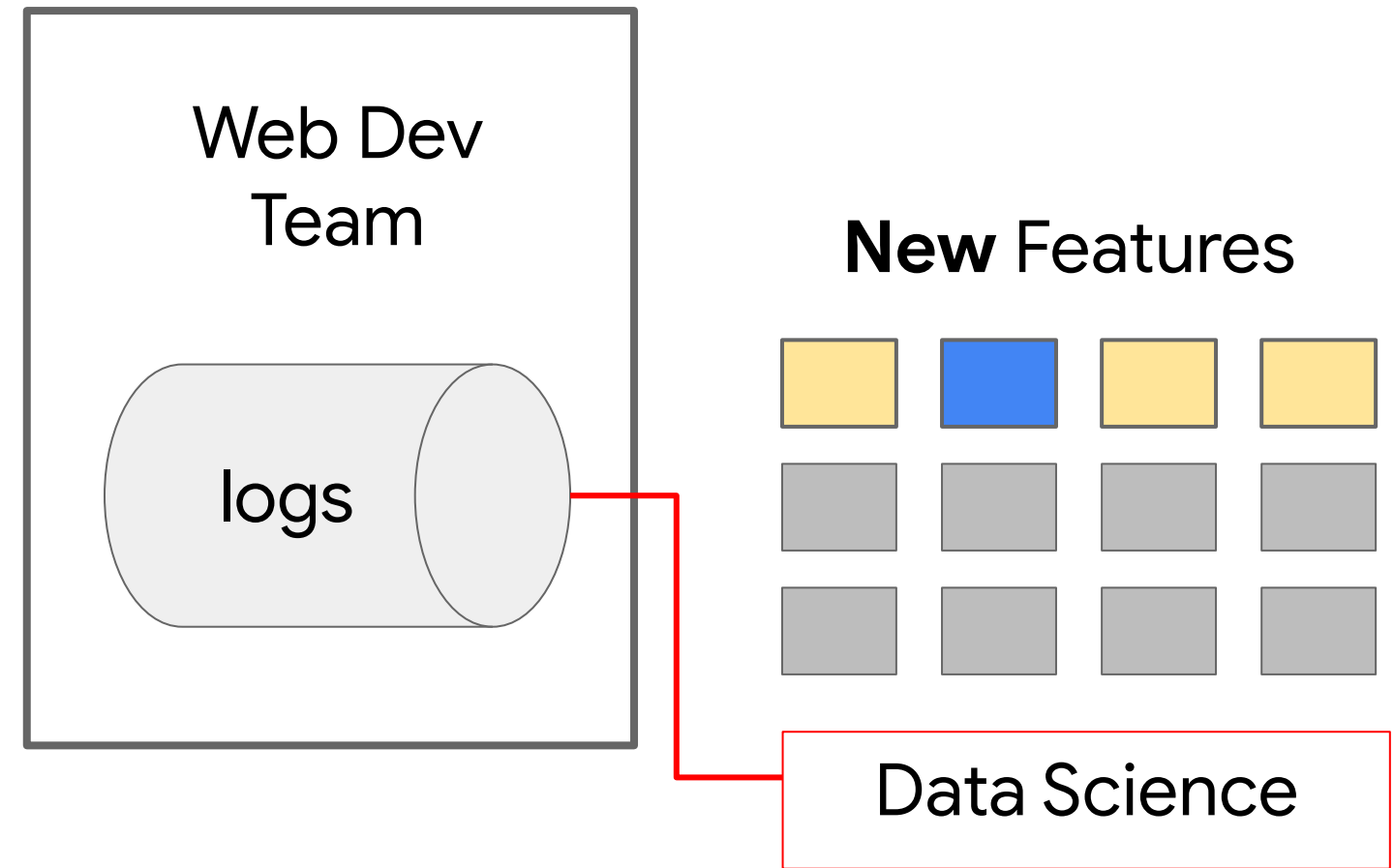


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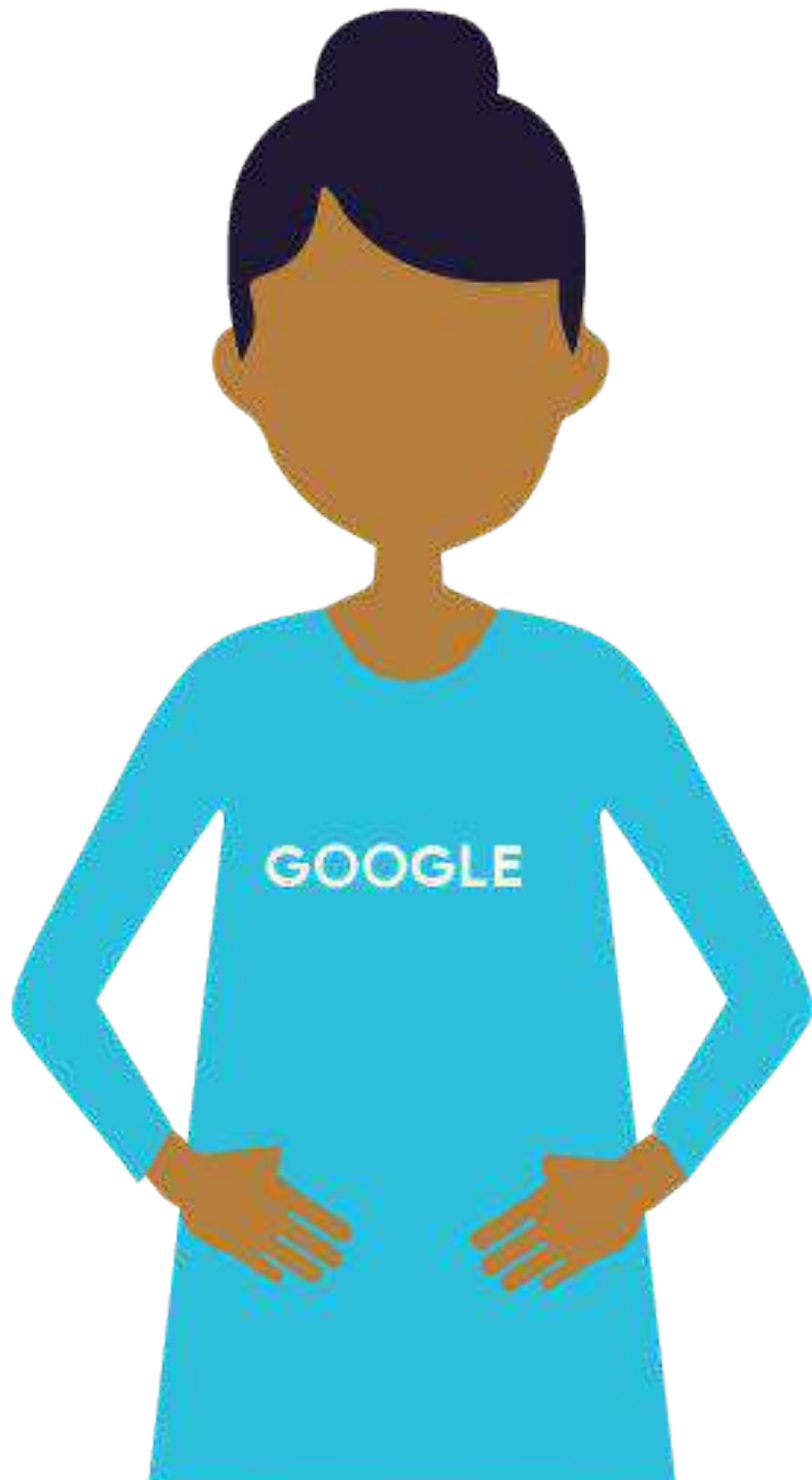




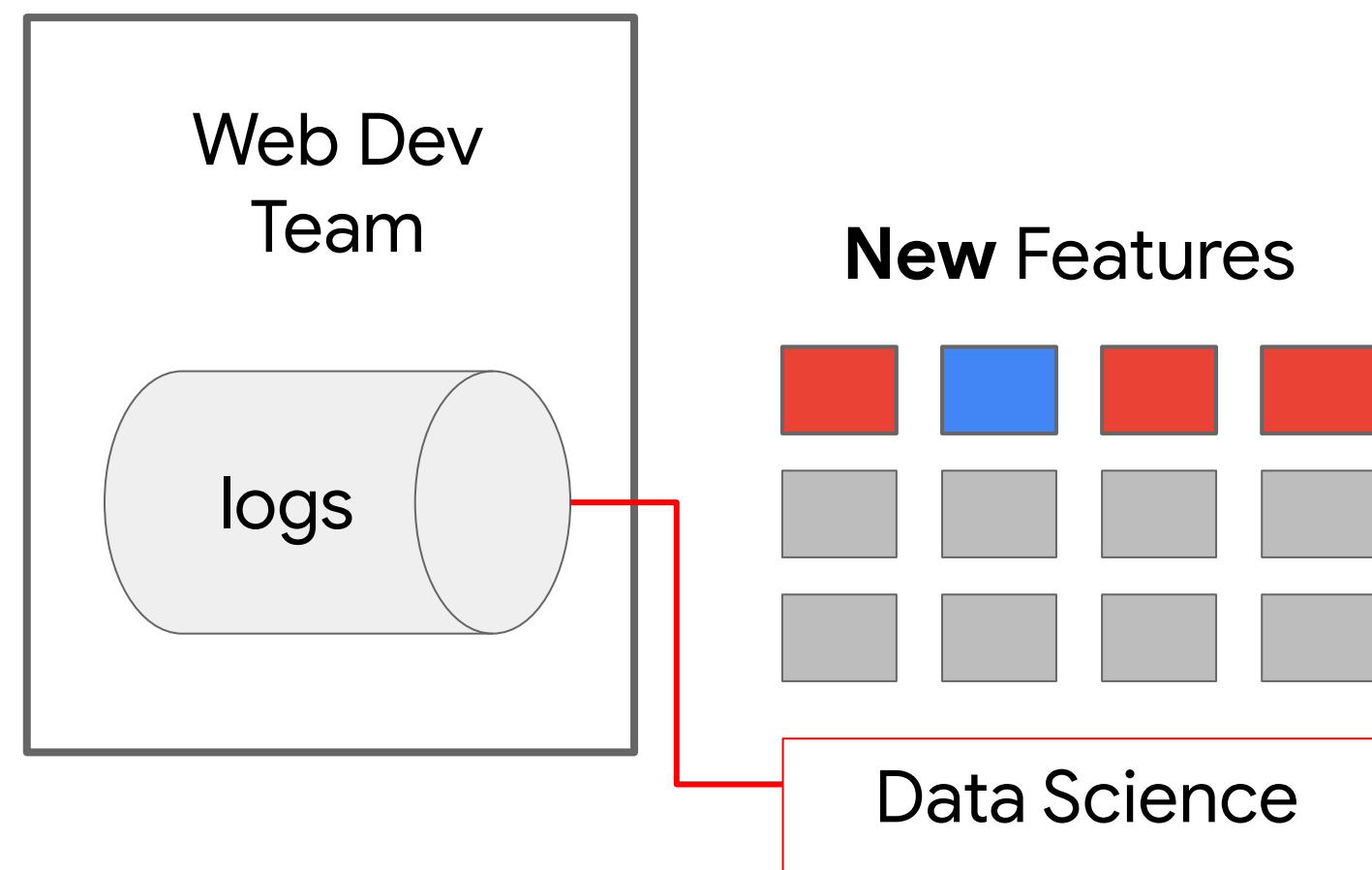
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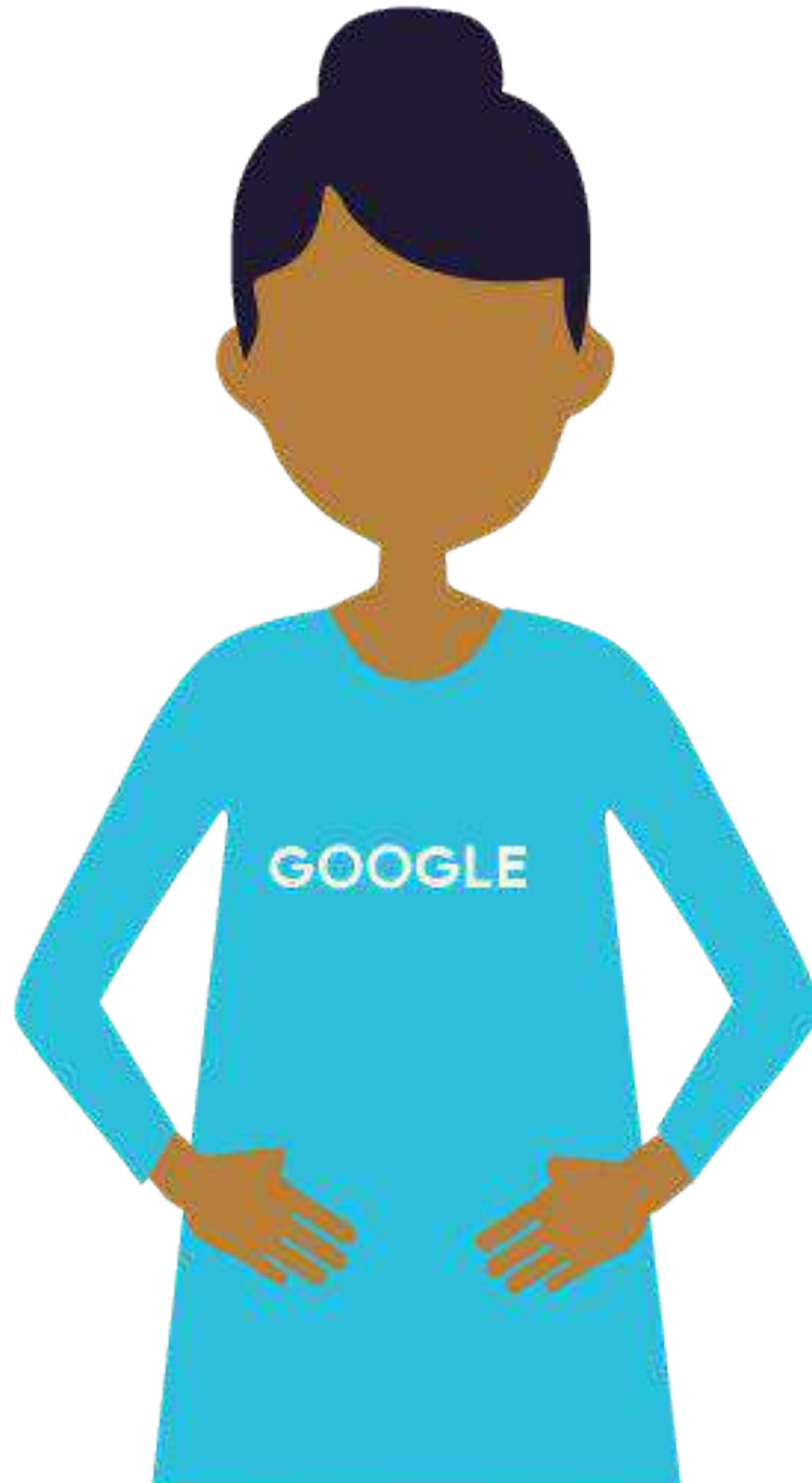




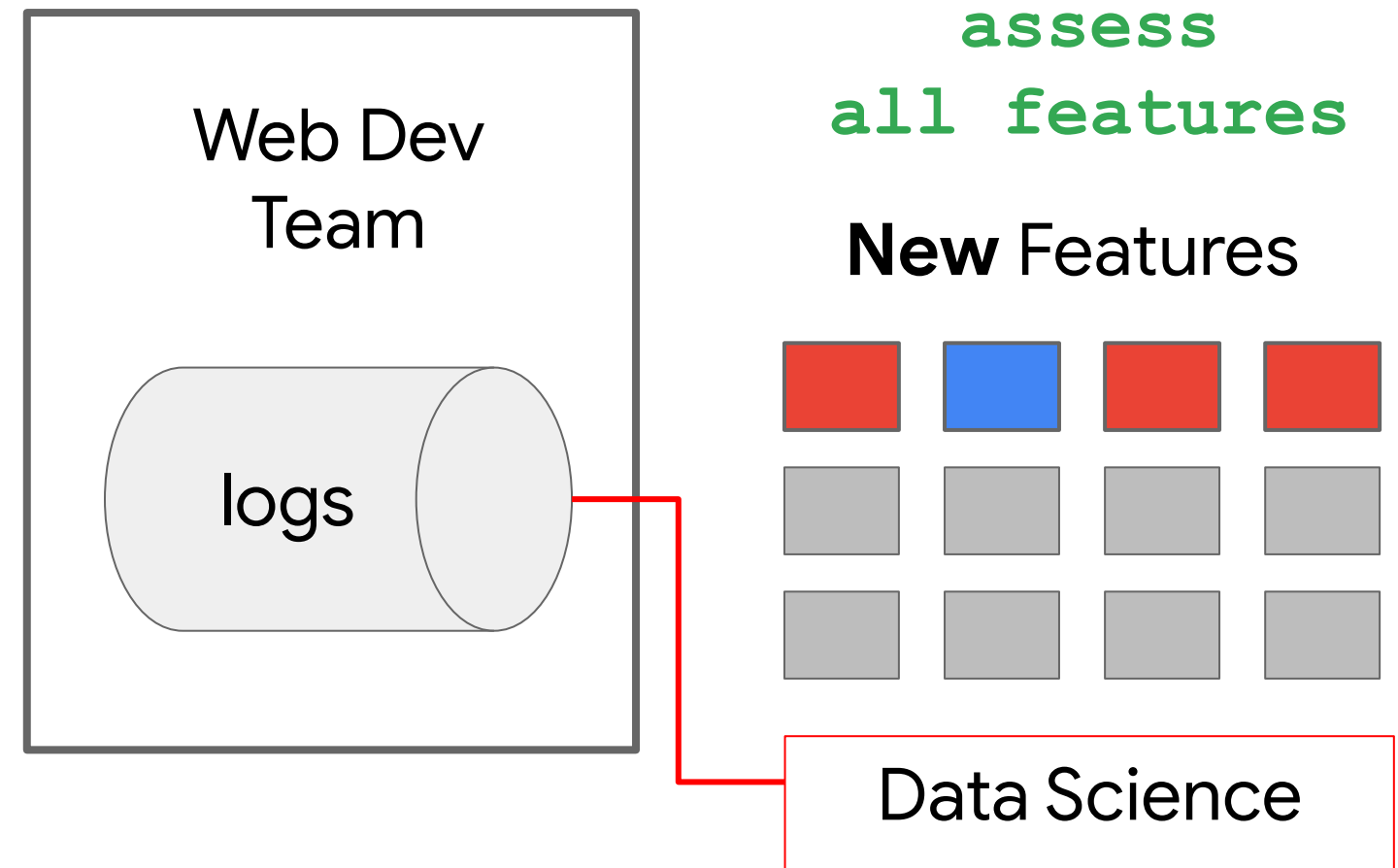


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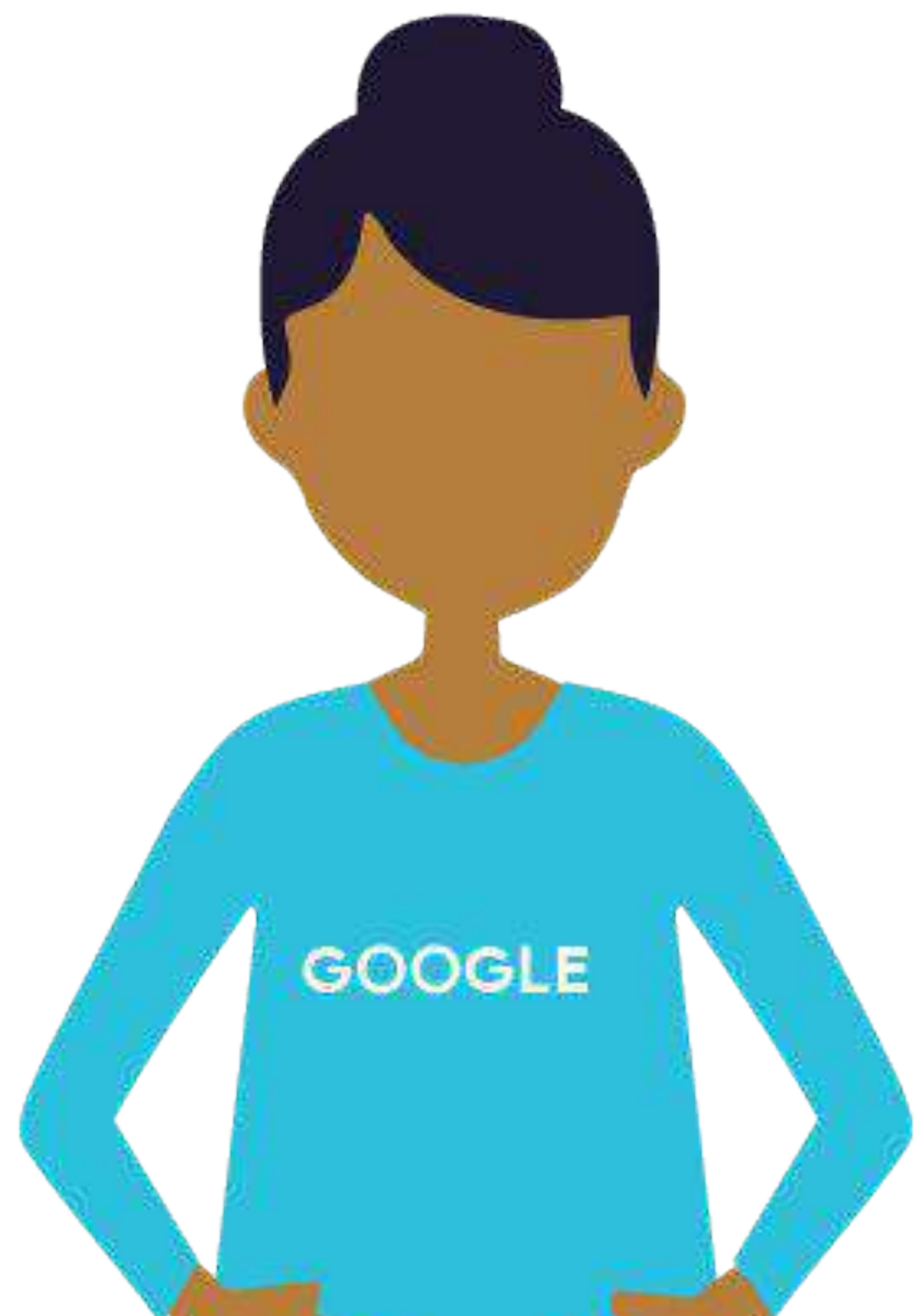
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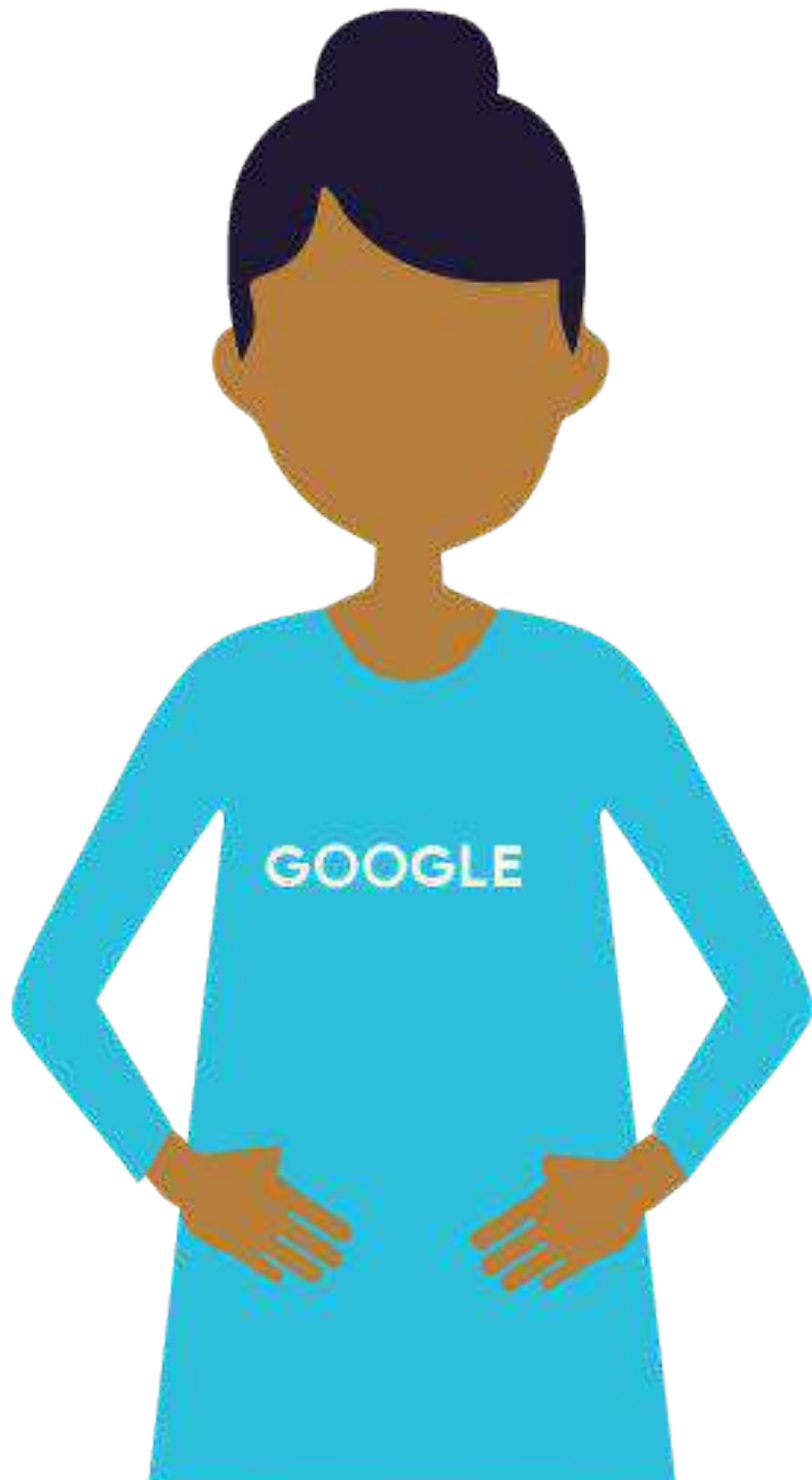
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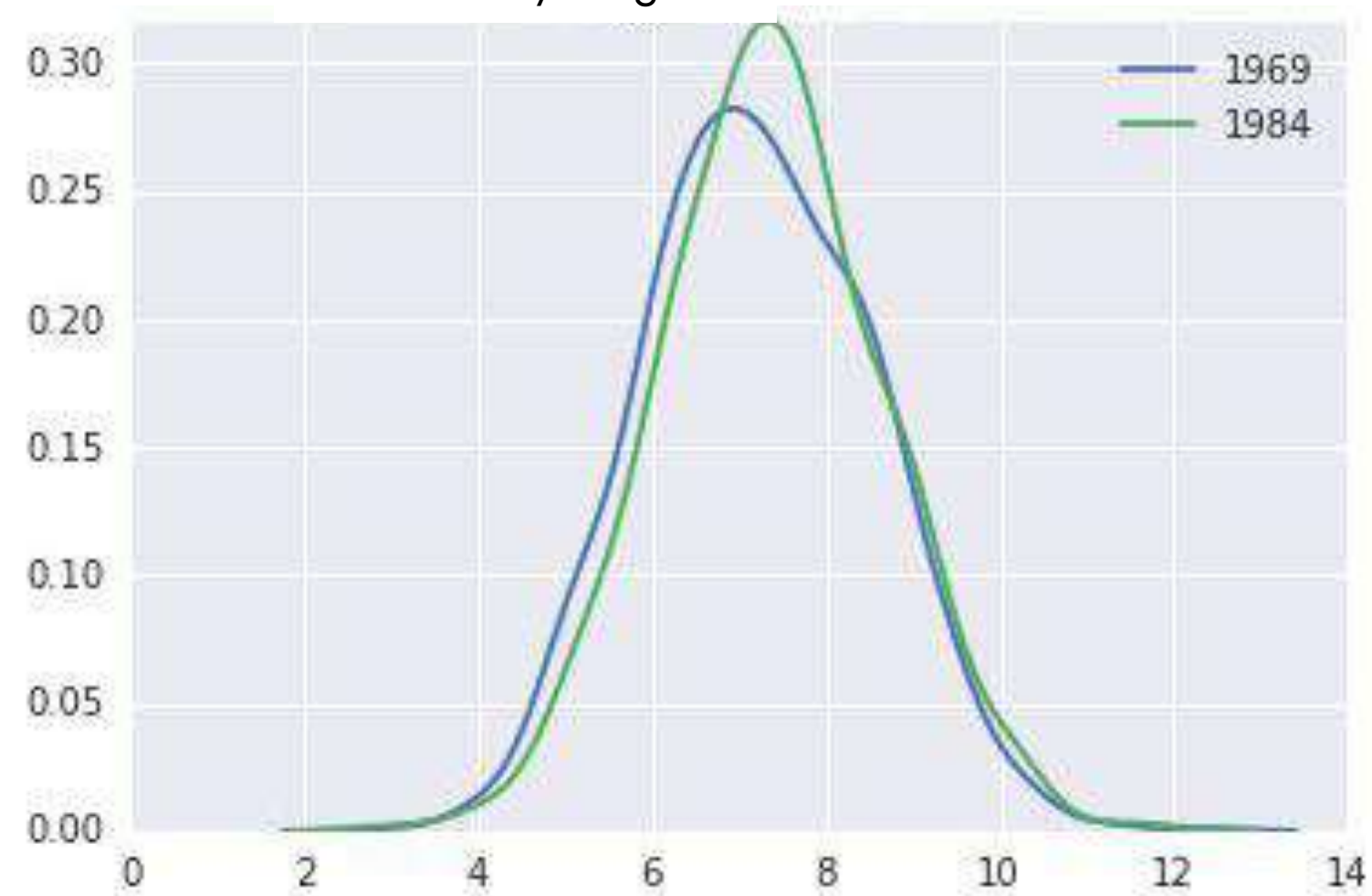


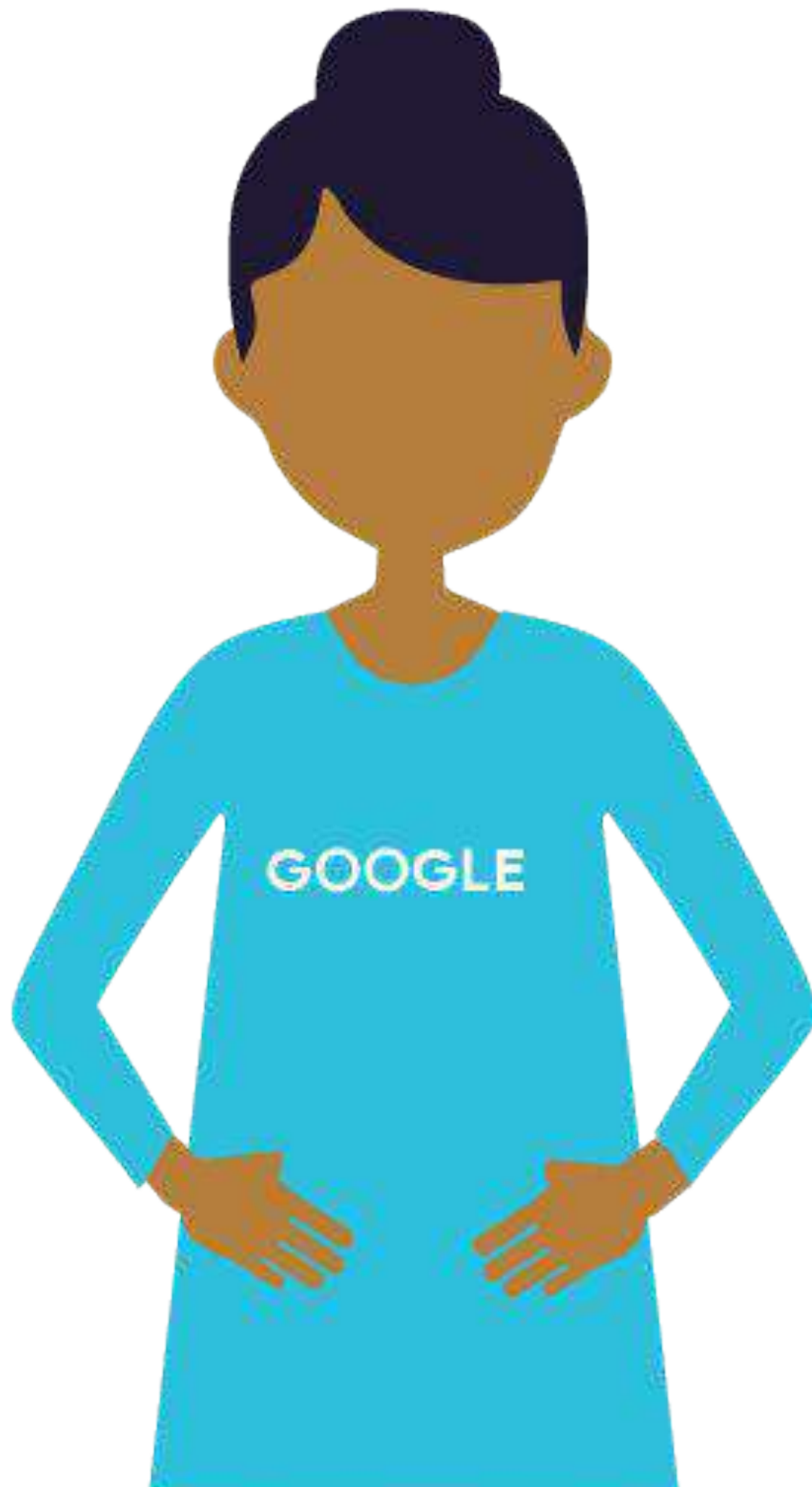




# Distributions change

Baby weight in 1969 and 1984





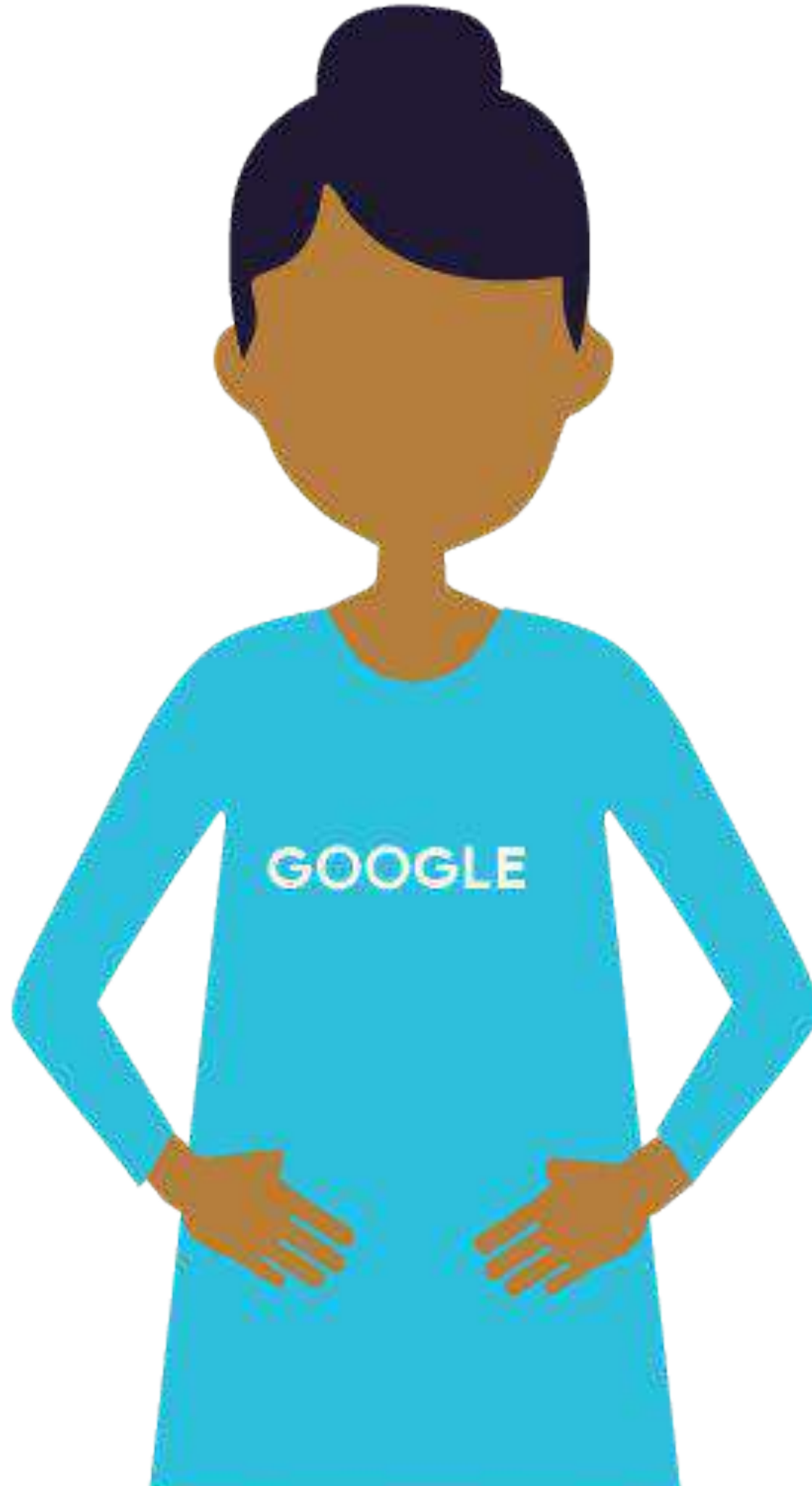
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Zip Codes

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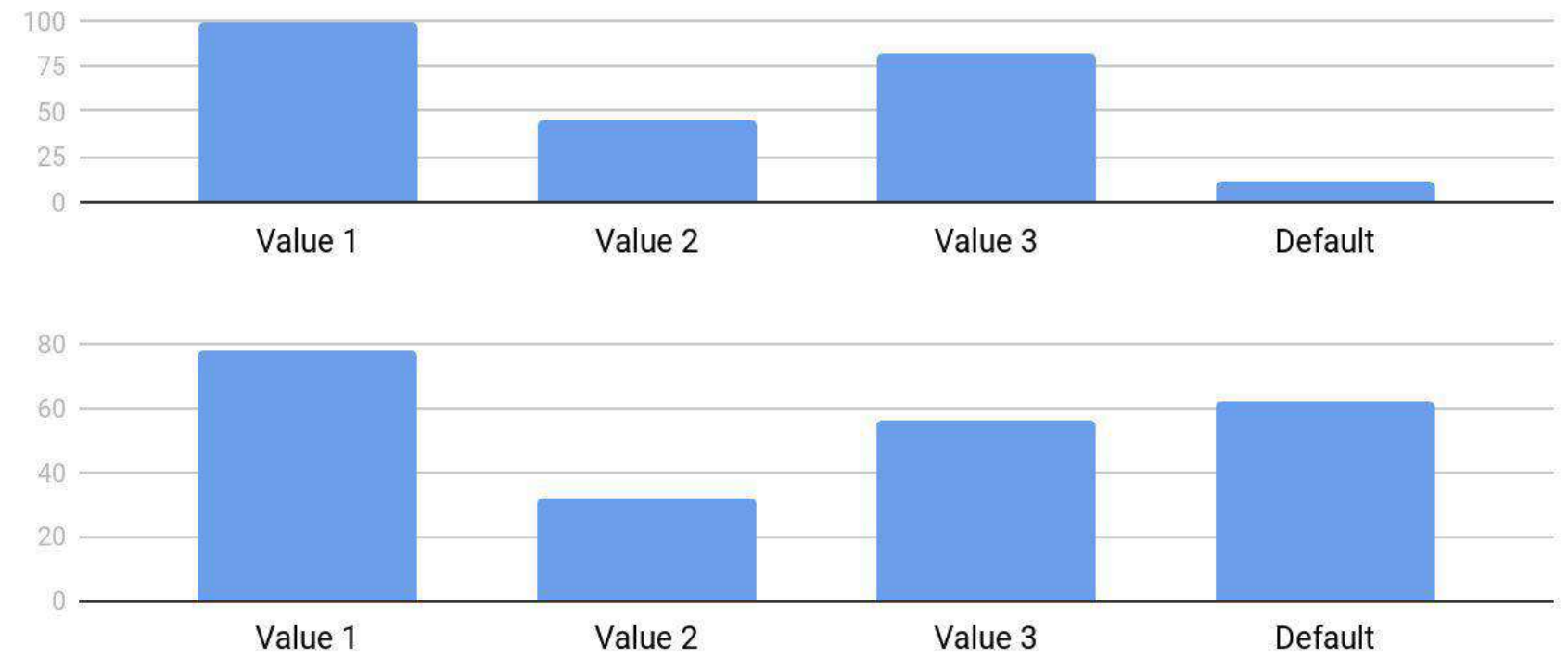


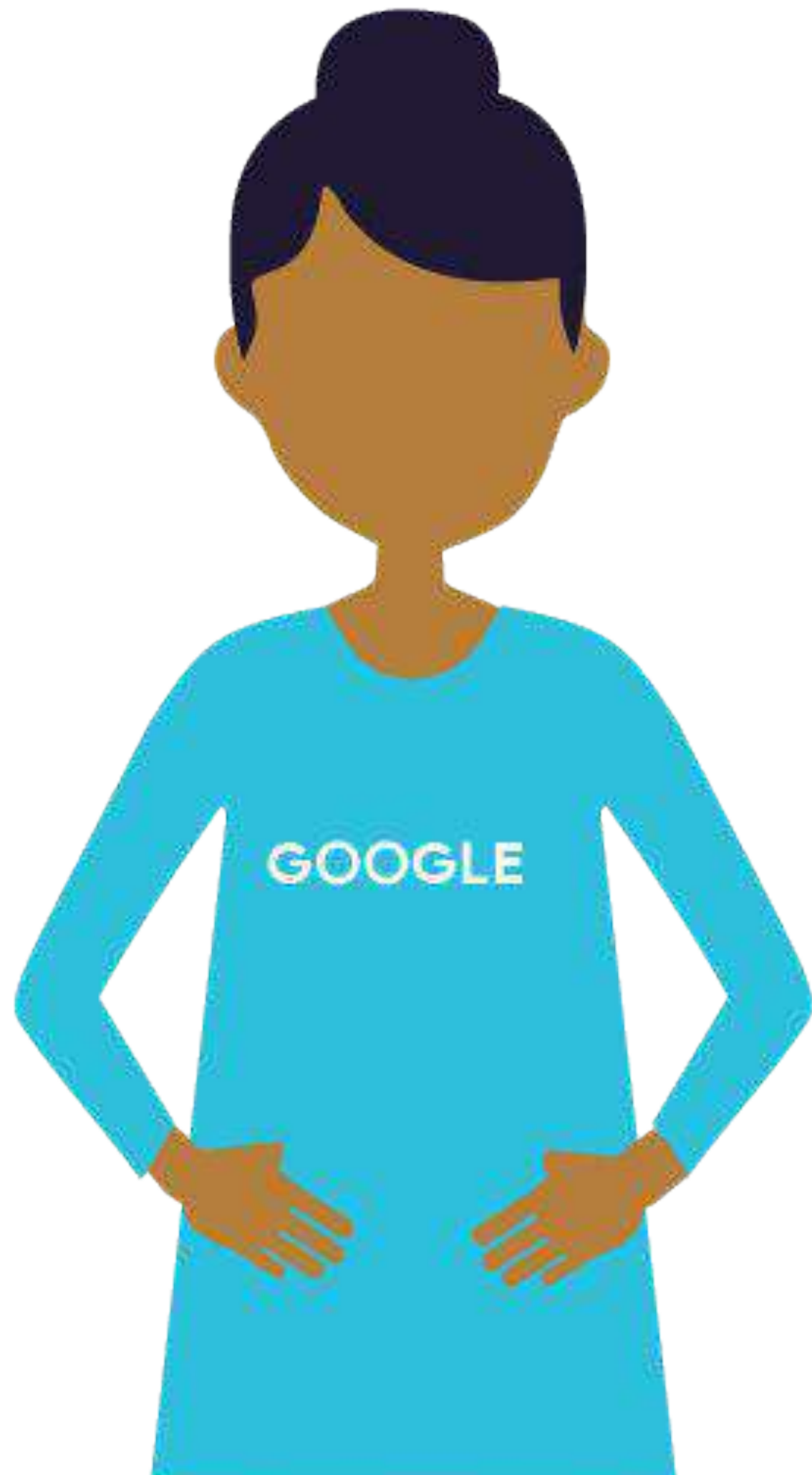
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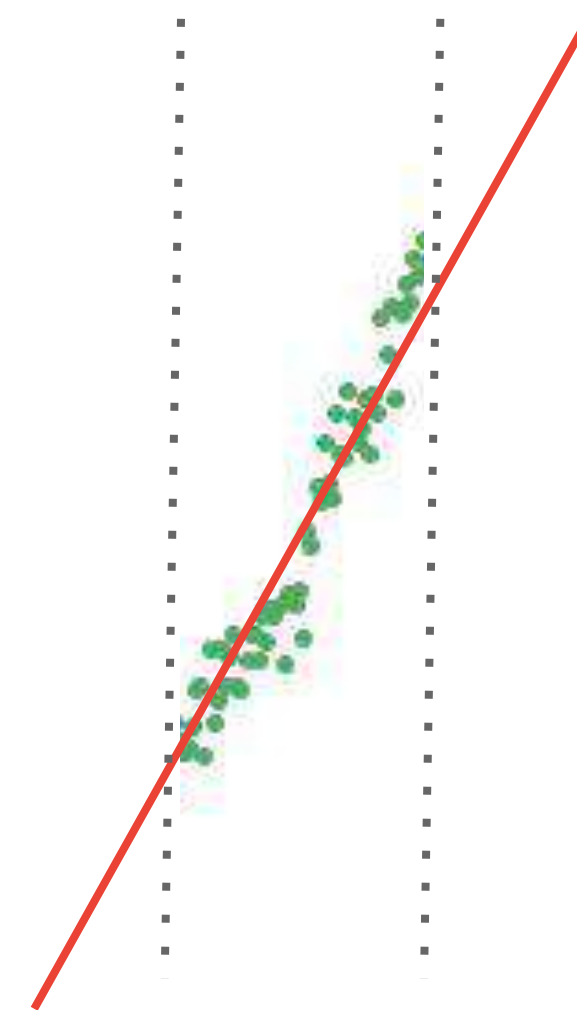
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Frequency of Feature Values

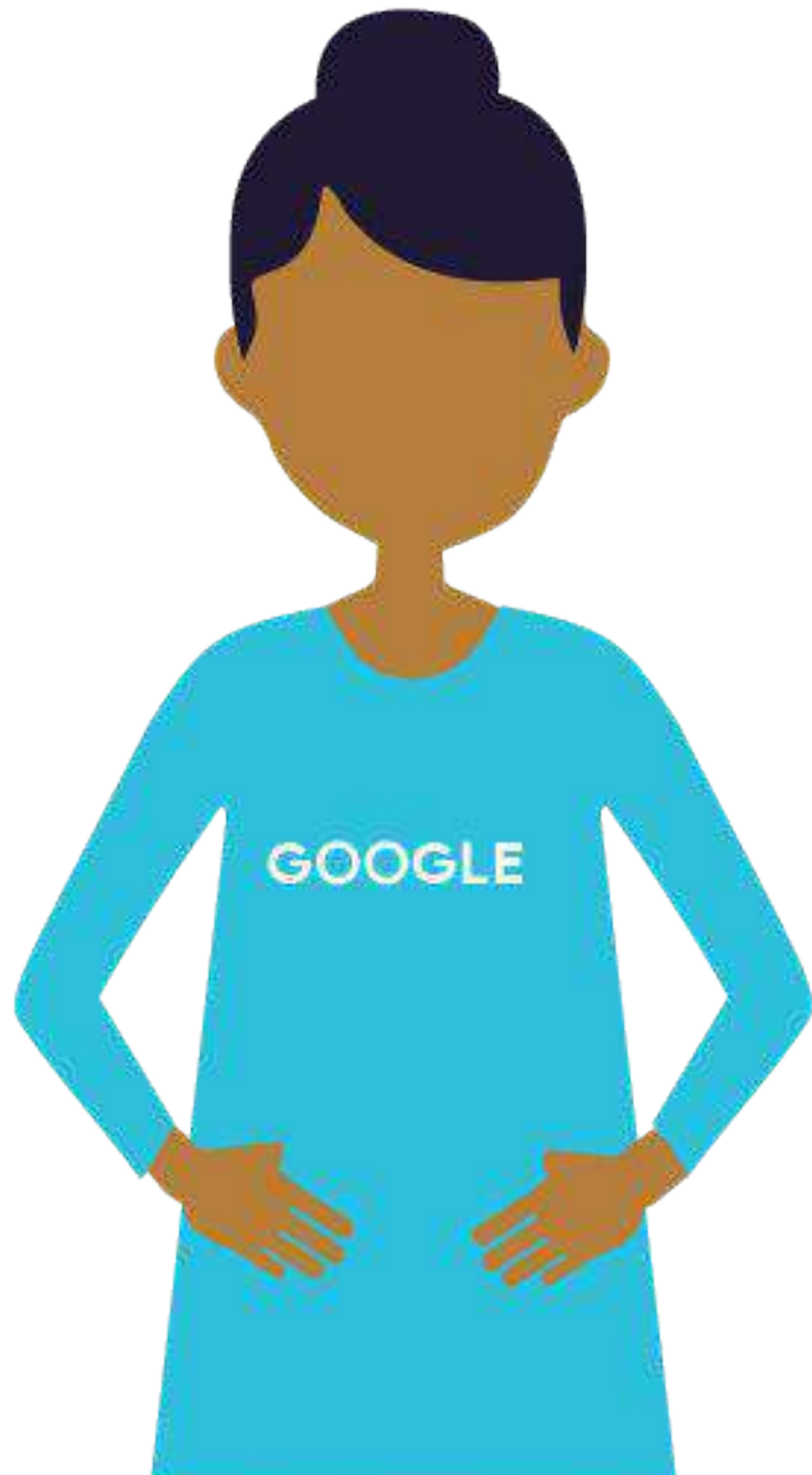




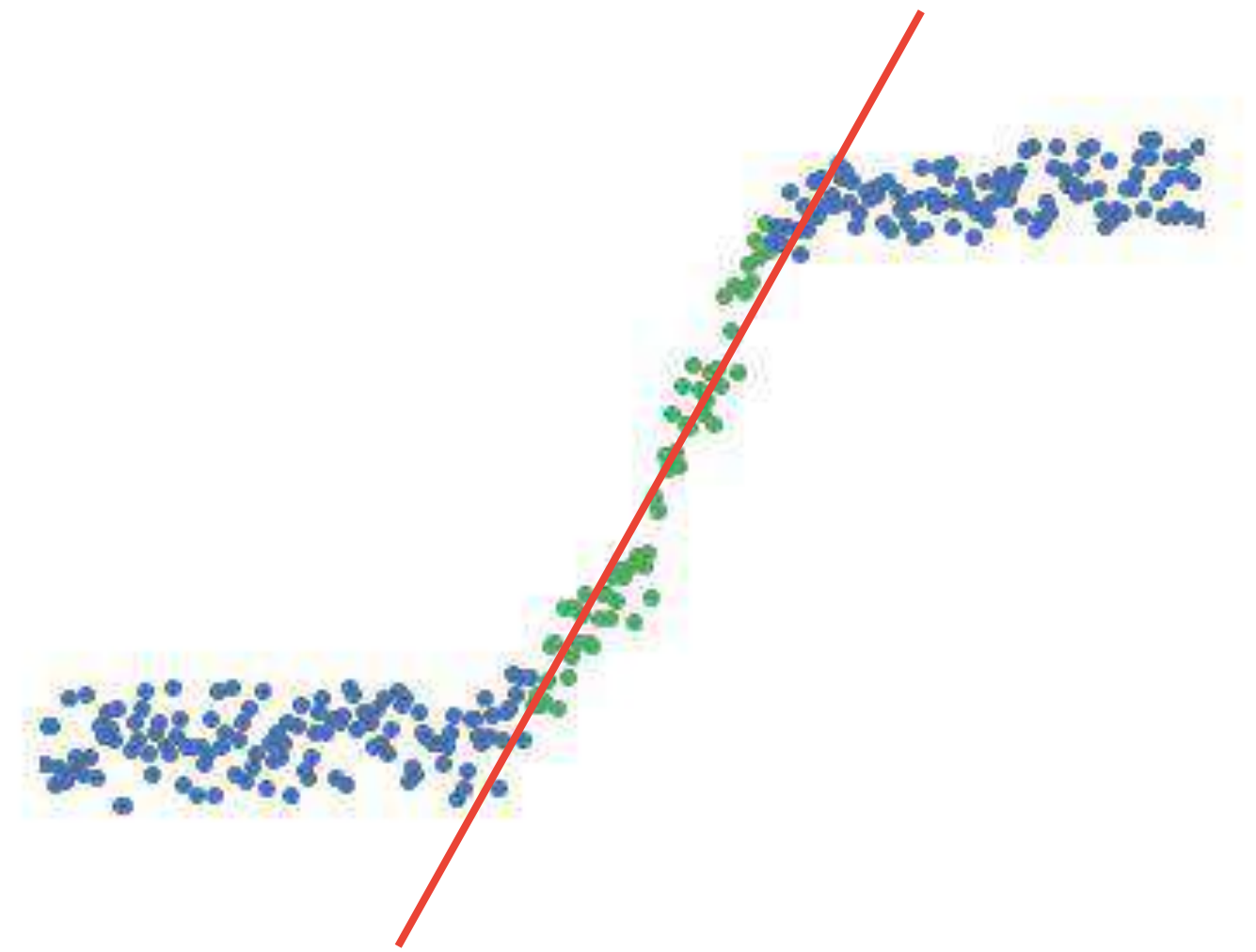
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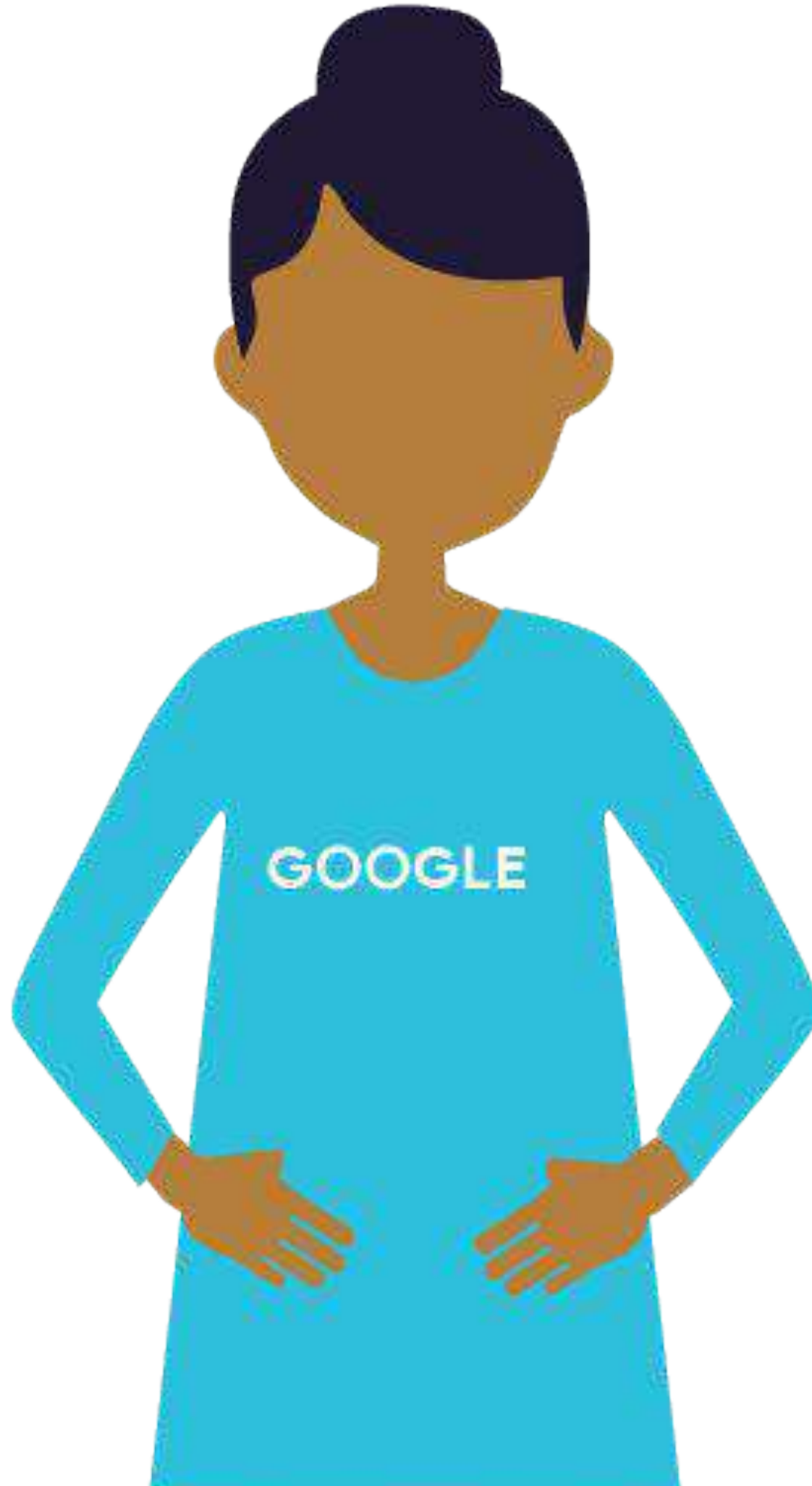






Distributions change





## Distributions change

- Monitor descriptive statistics for your inputs and outputs
- Monitor your residuals as a function of your inputs
- Use custom weights in your loss function to emphasize data recency
- Use dynamic training architecture and regularly retrain your model

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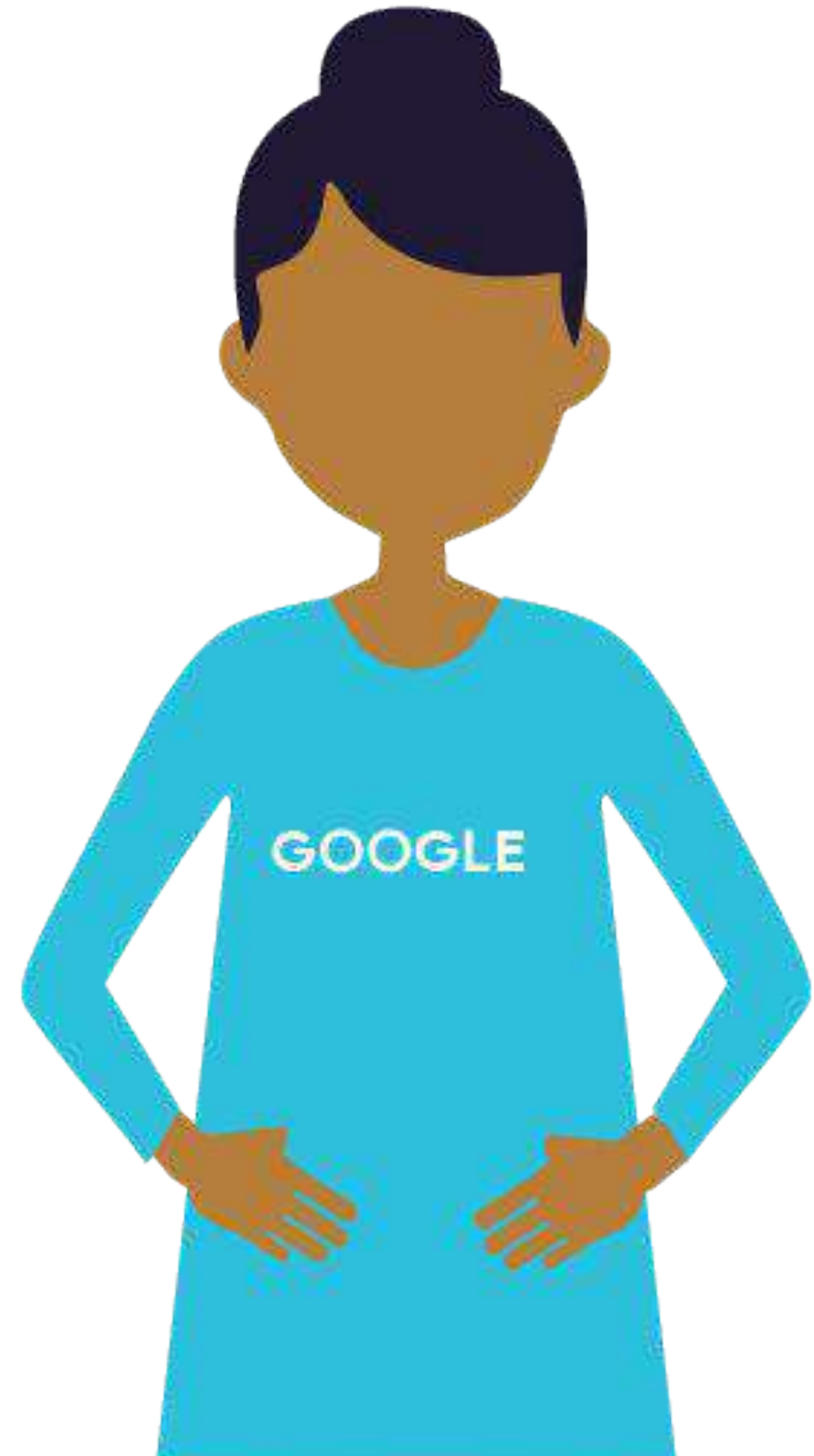
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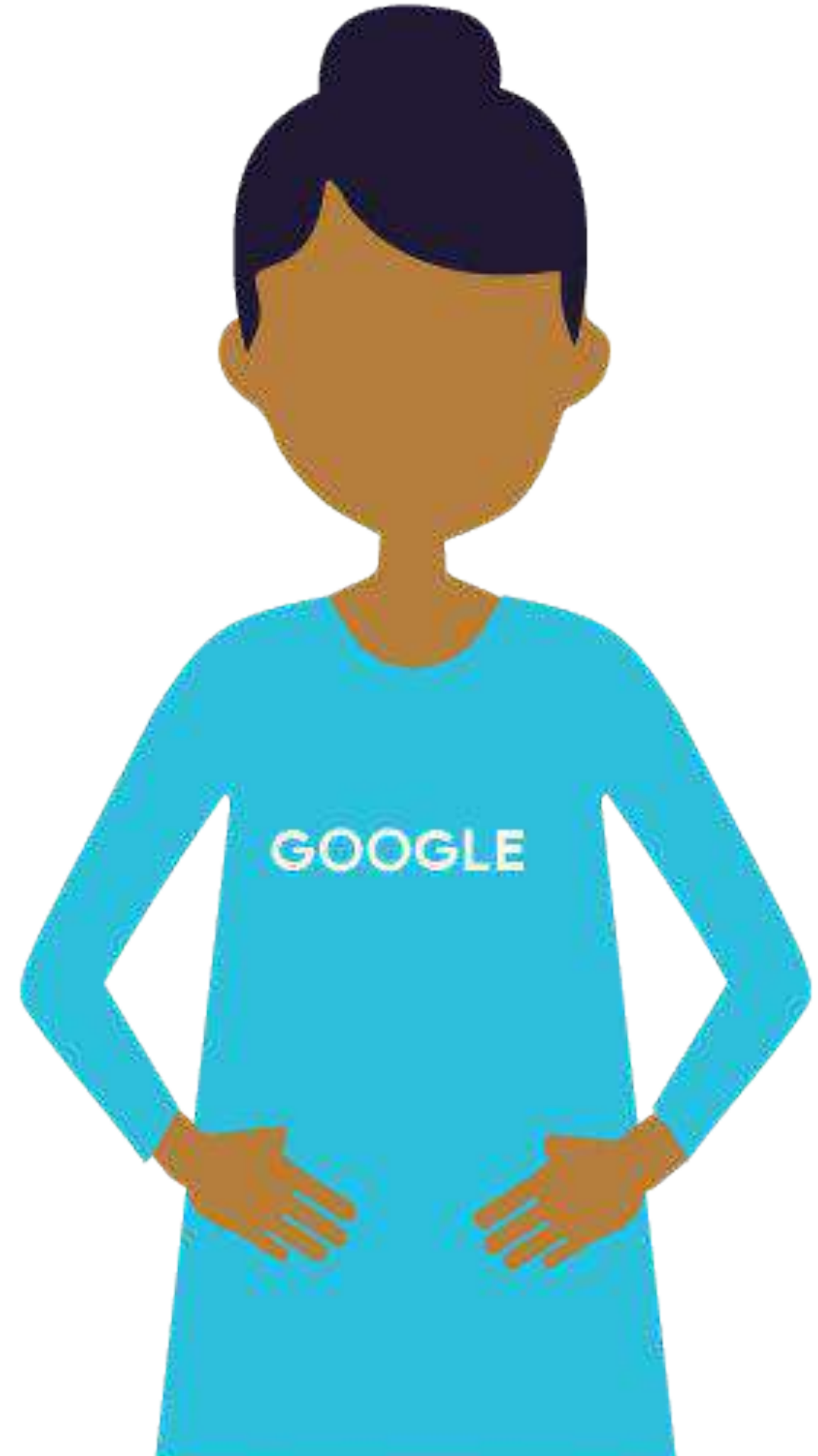
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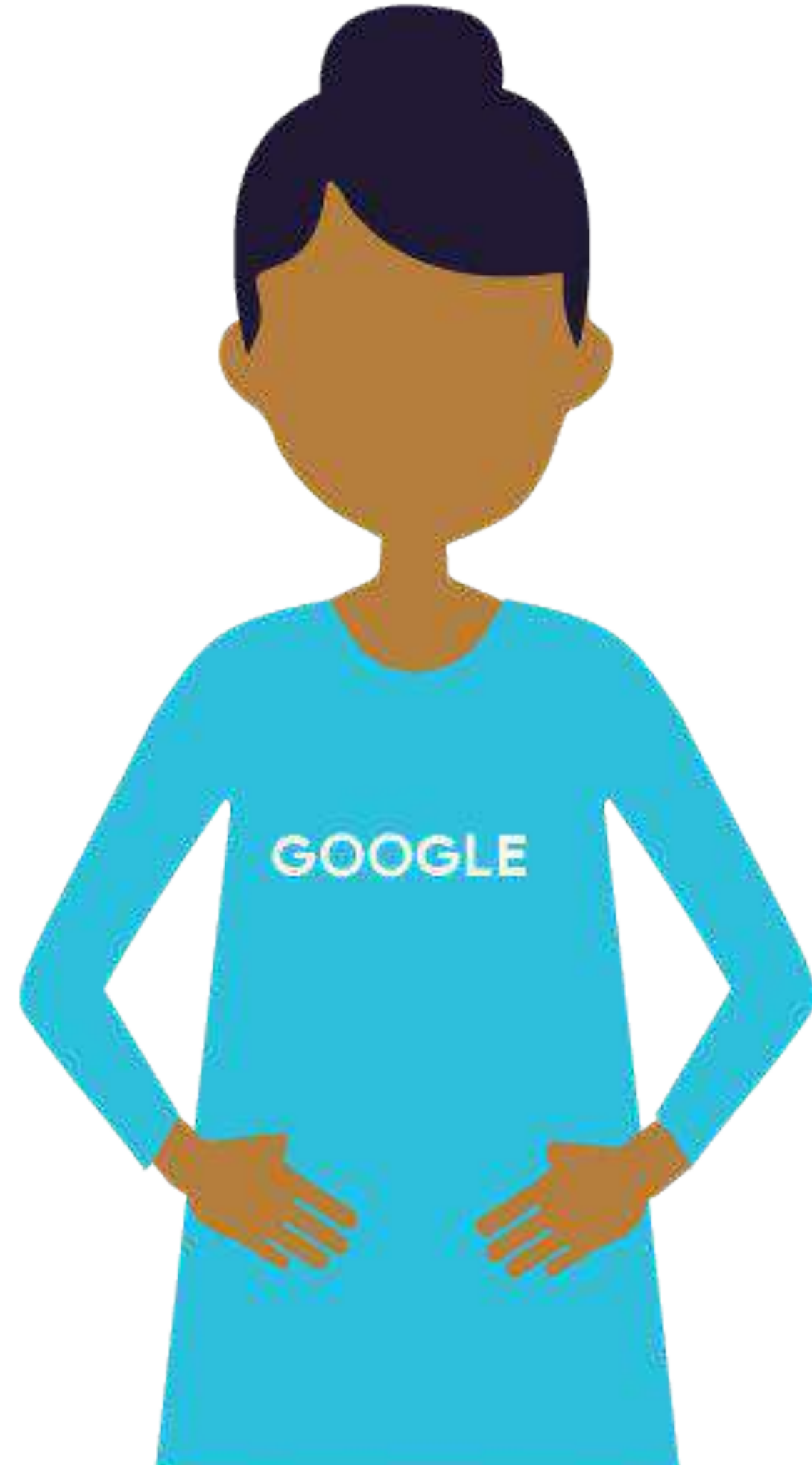




## Scenario 1: Code Sprint



## Scenario 2: A Gift Horse



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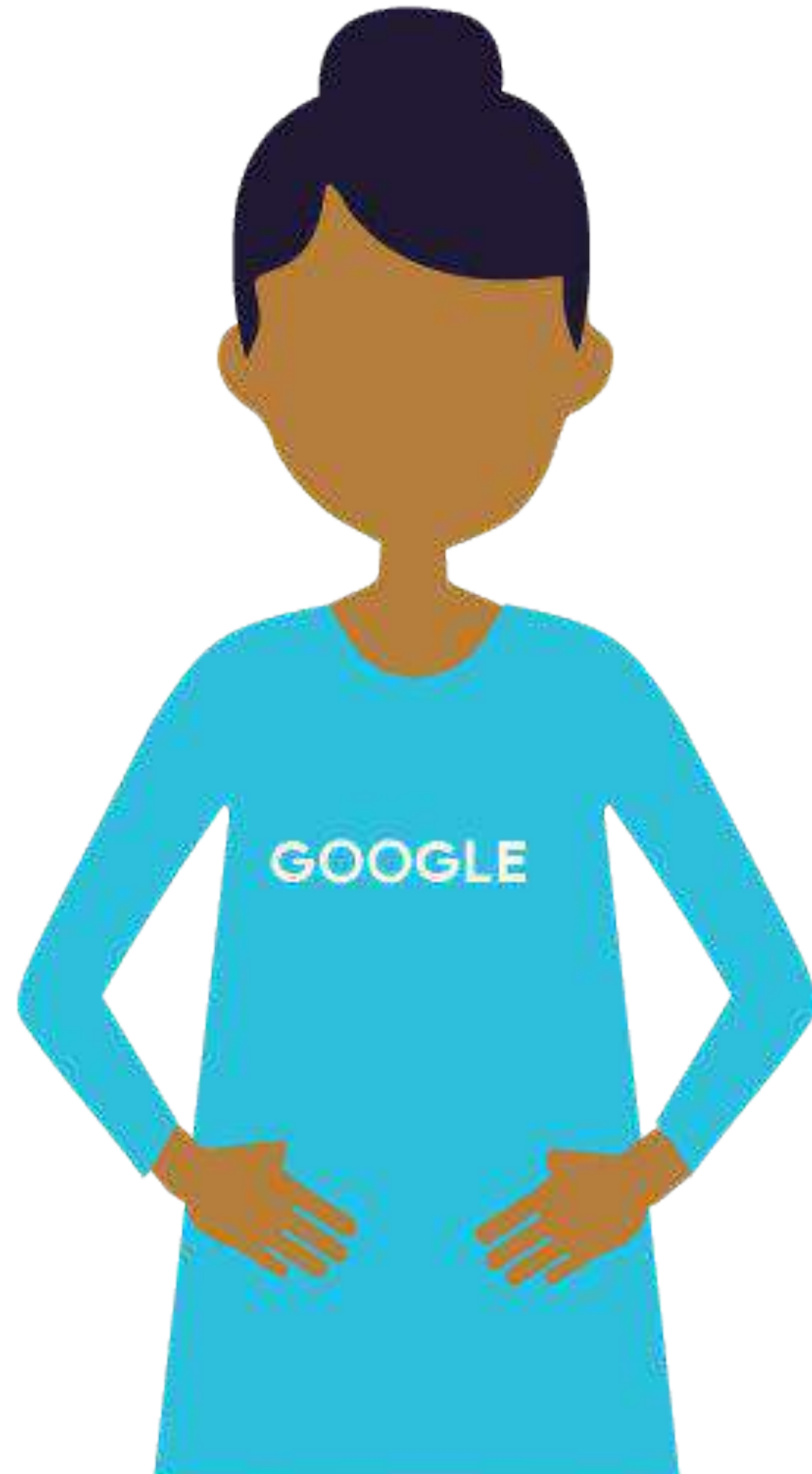
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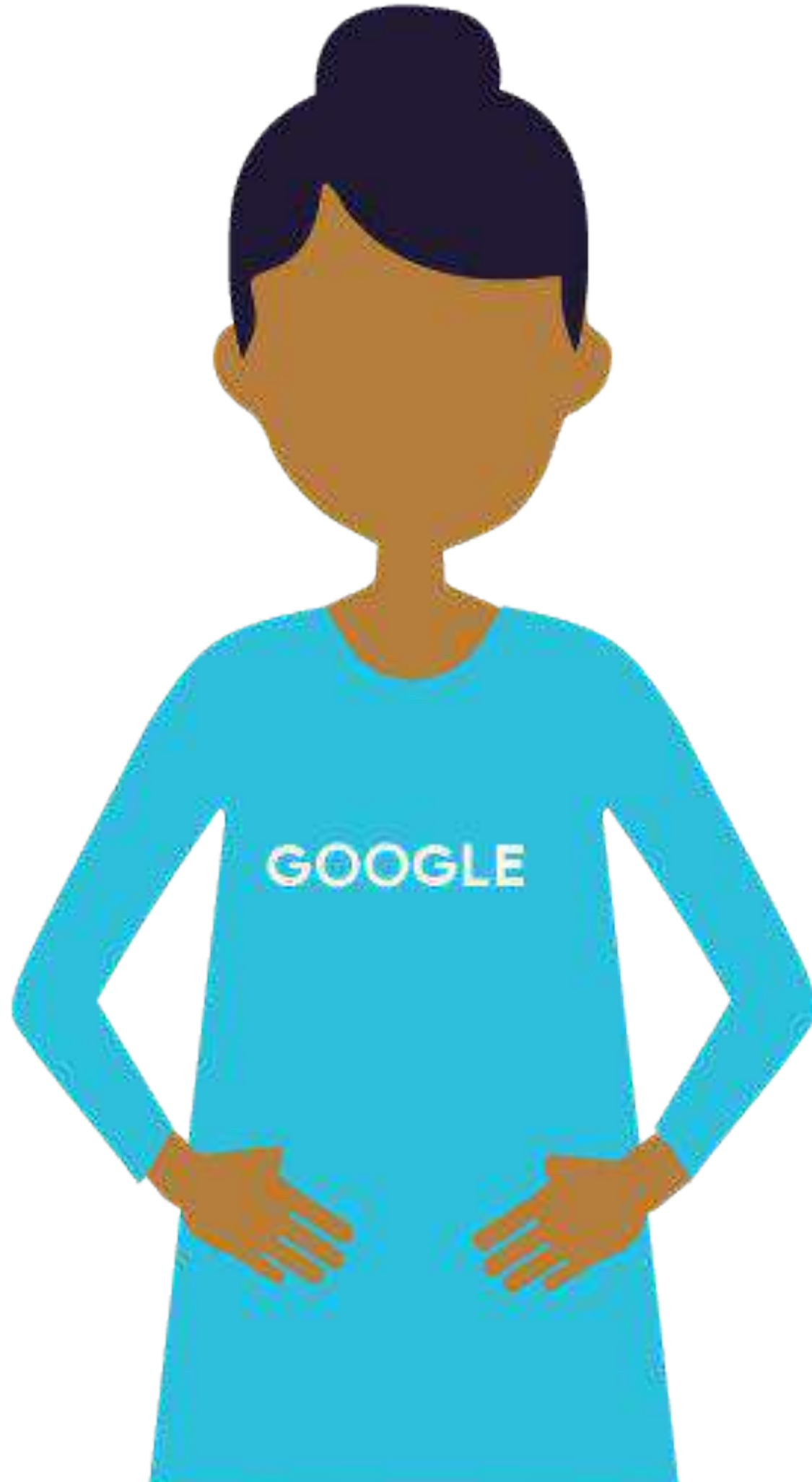
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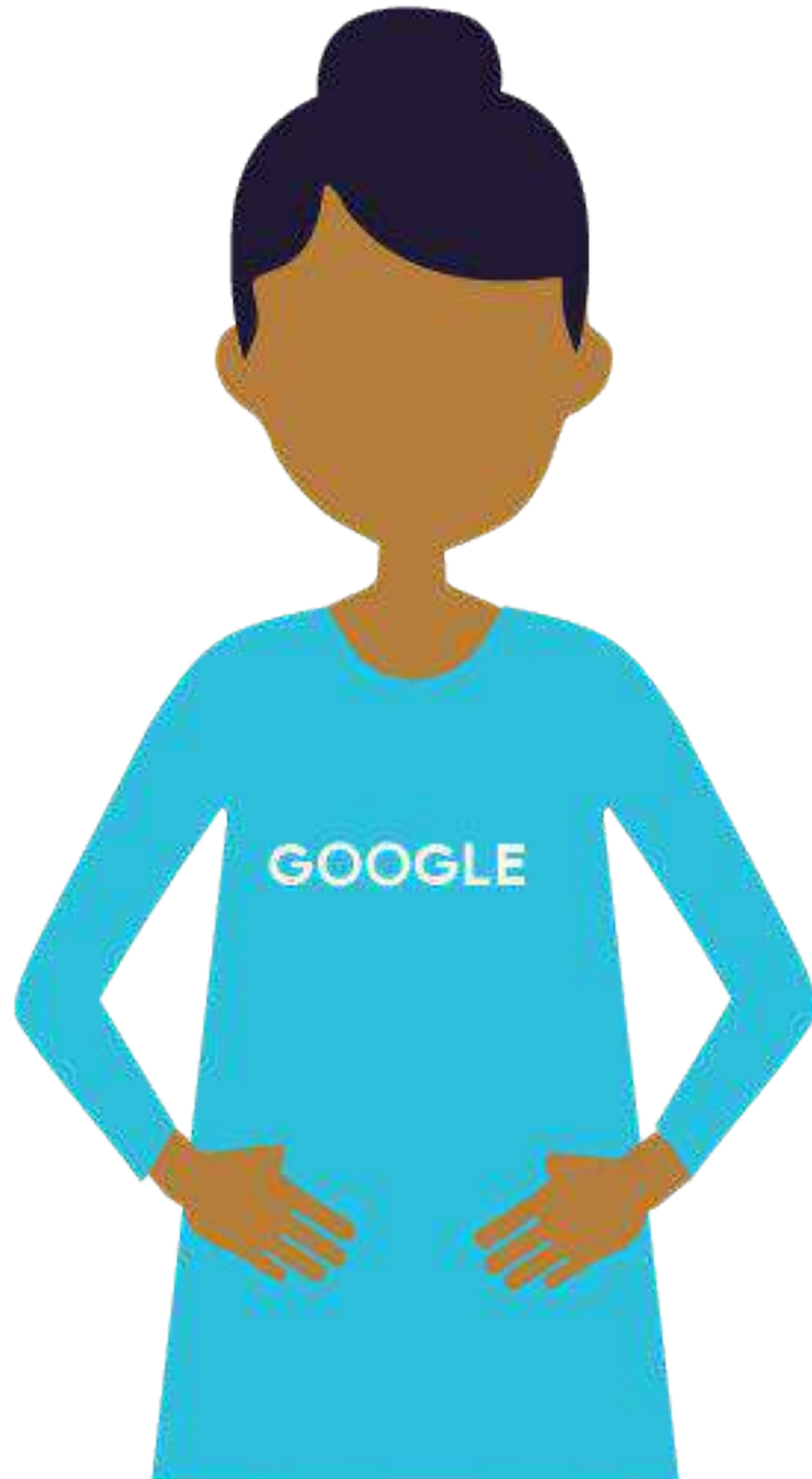






## Right and Wrong Data Decisions

- patient age
- gender
- prior medical conditions
- hospital name
- vital signs
- test results

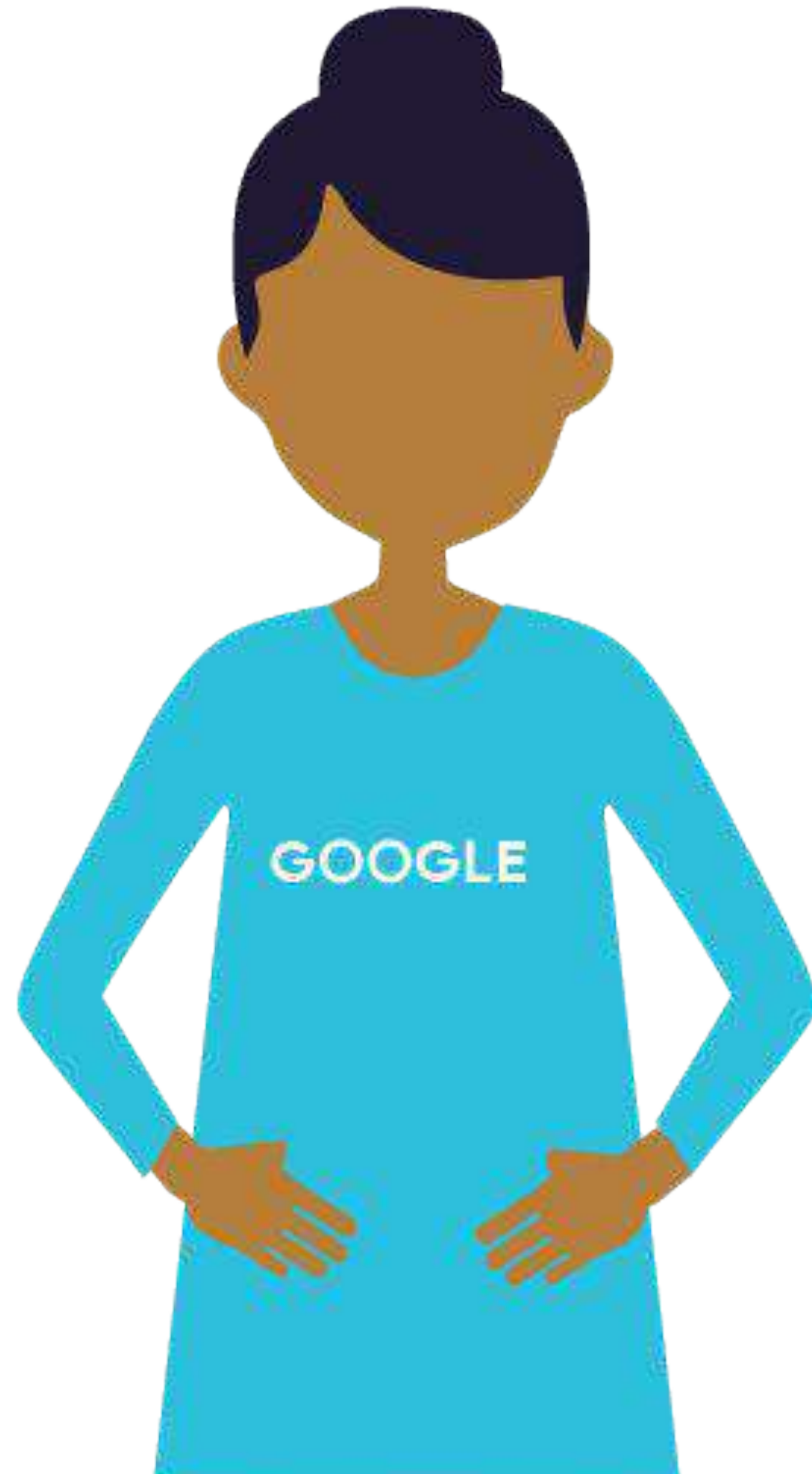


# Data Leakage



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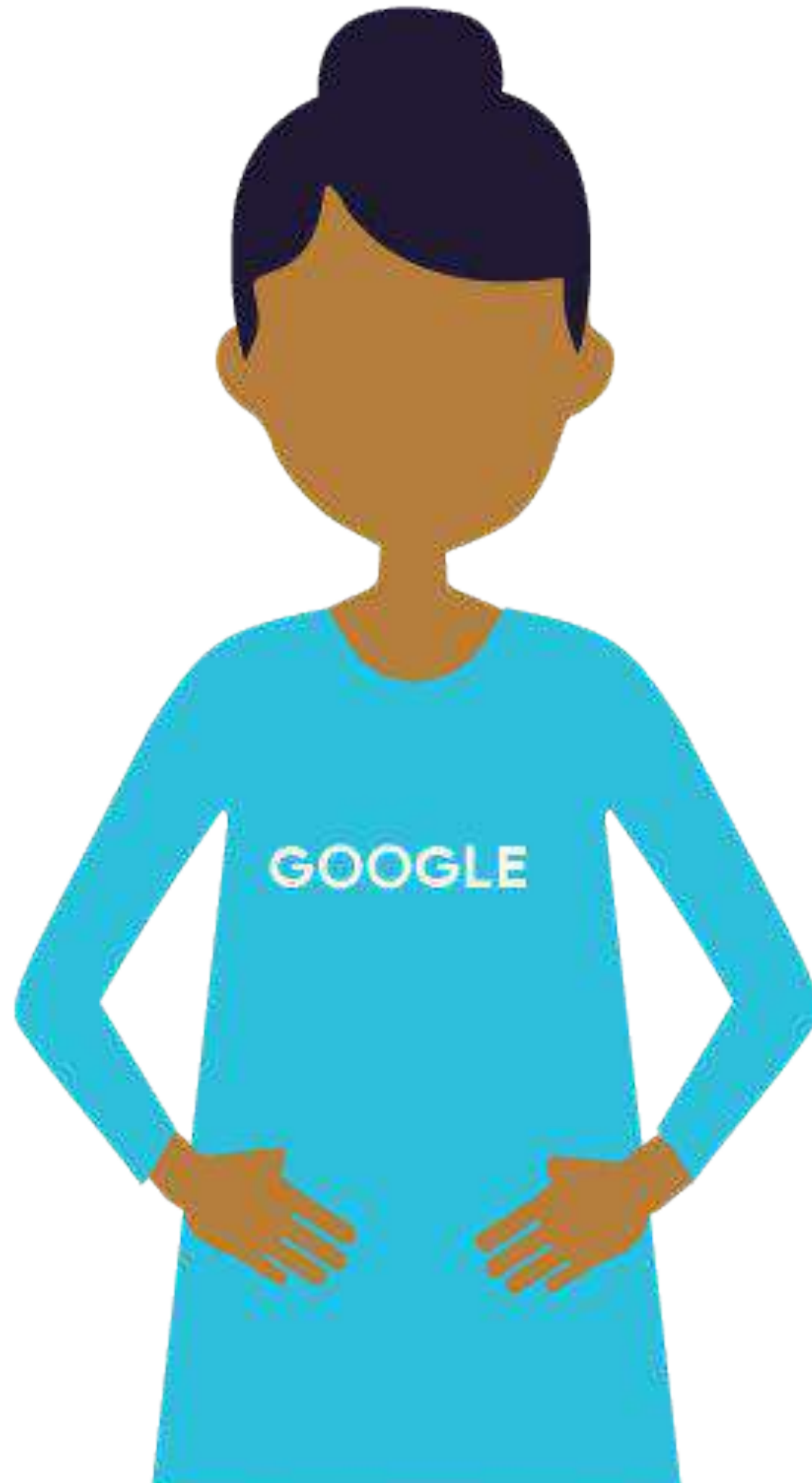




Predict political affiliation  
from metaphors







## Predict political affiliation from metaphors

Google

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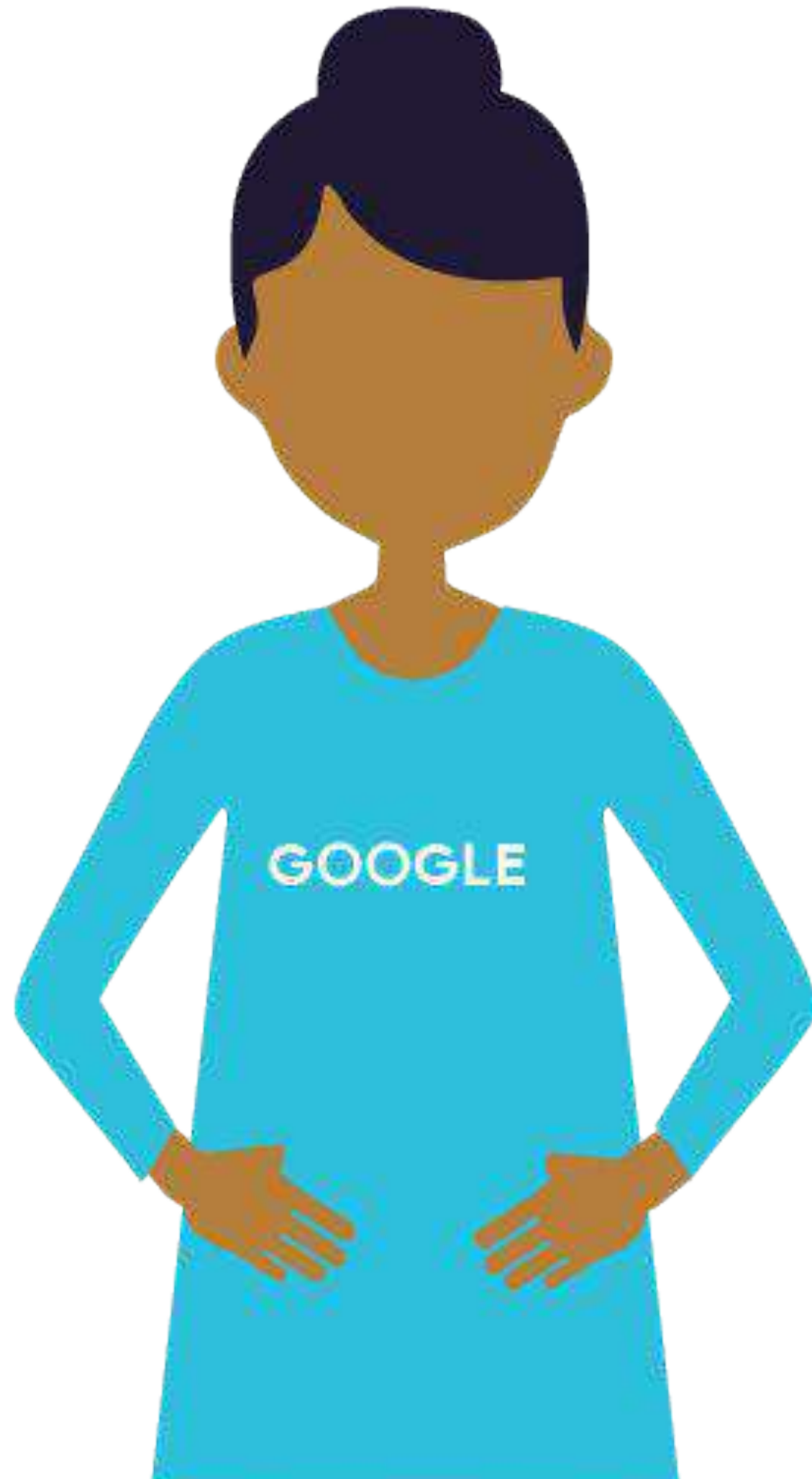
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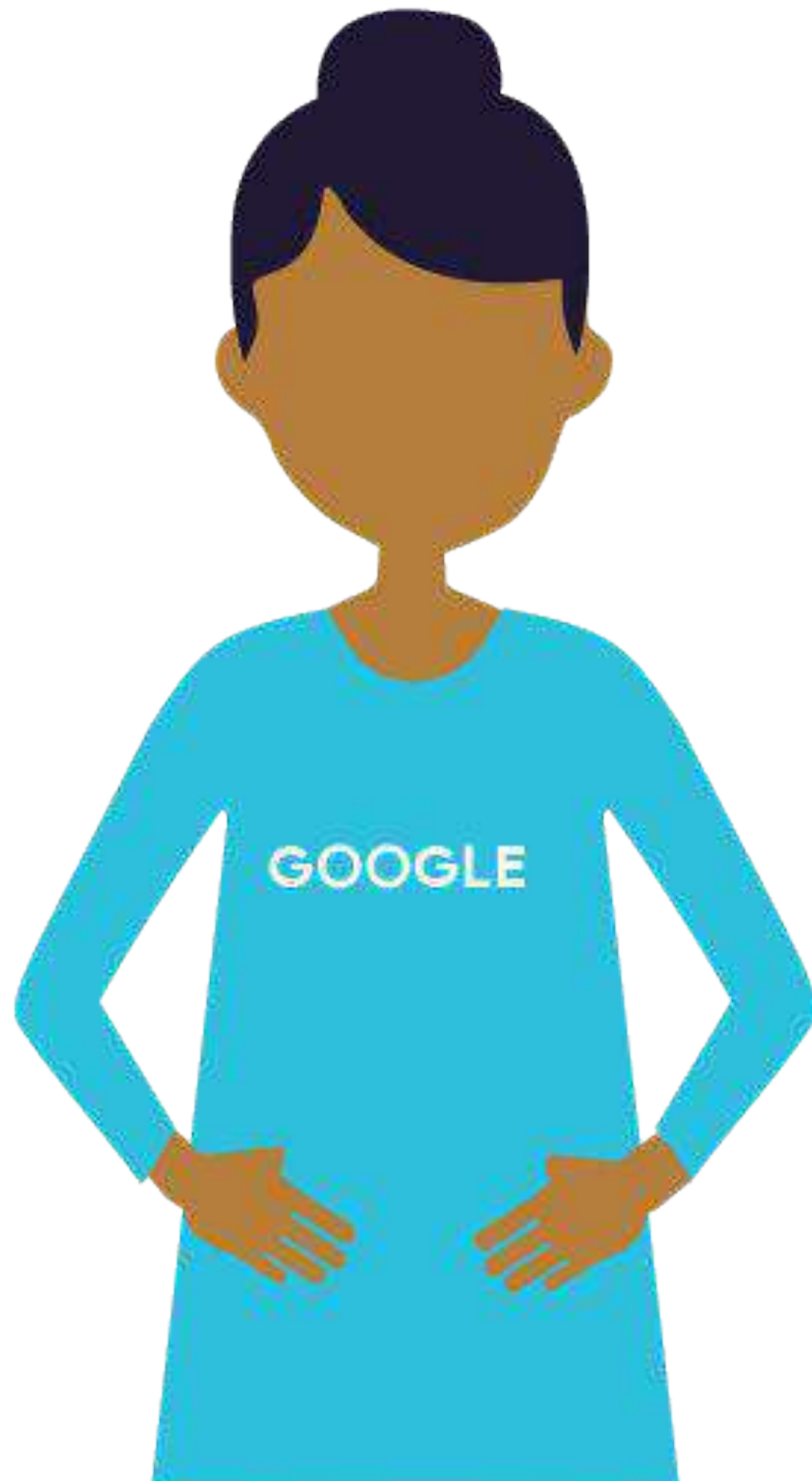
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### Training Set

Swift

Blake

Defoe

### Validation Set

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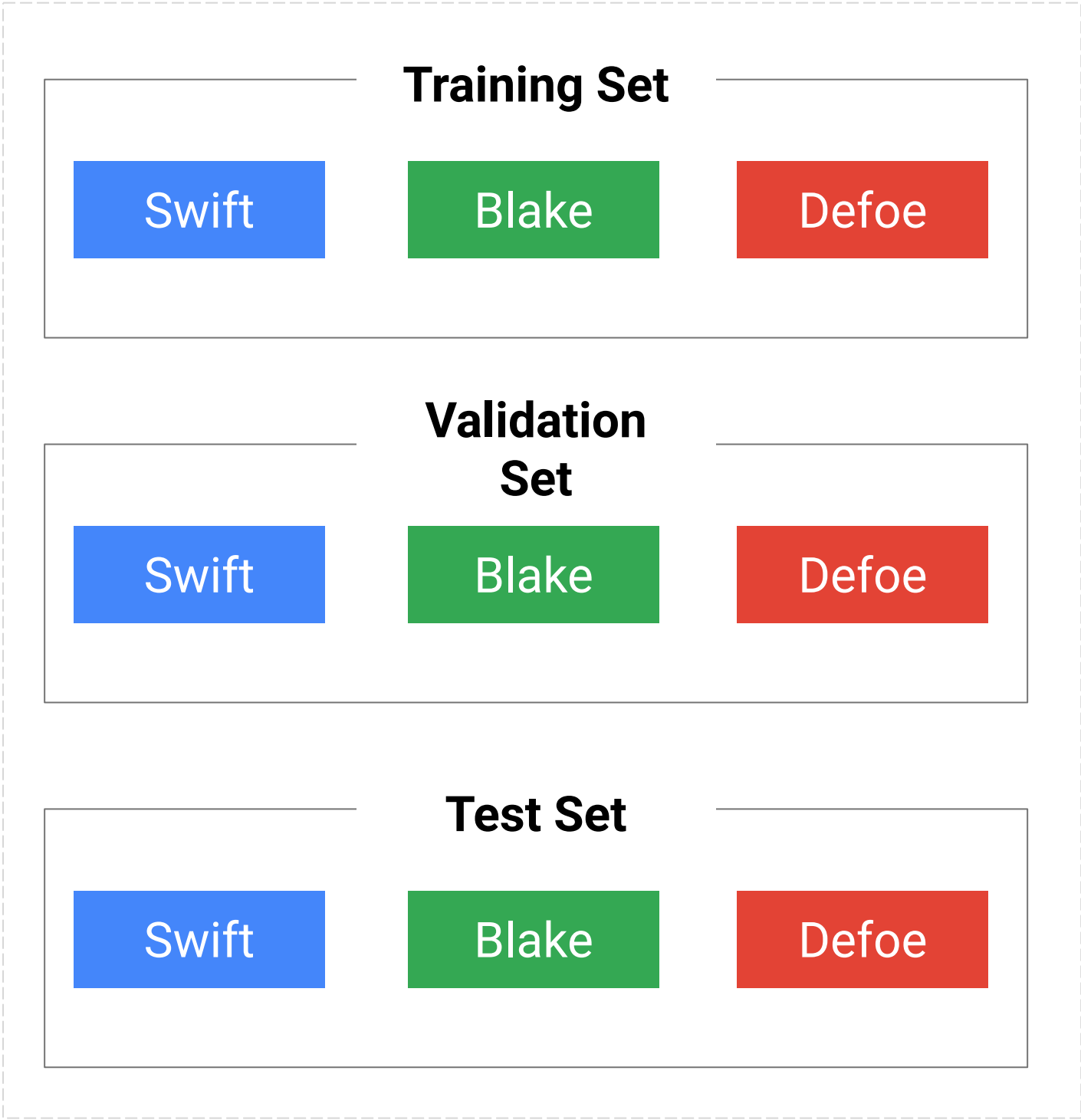
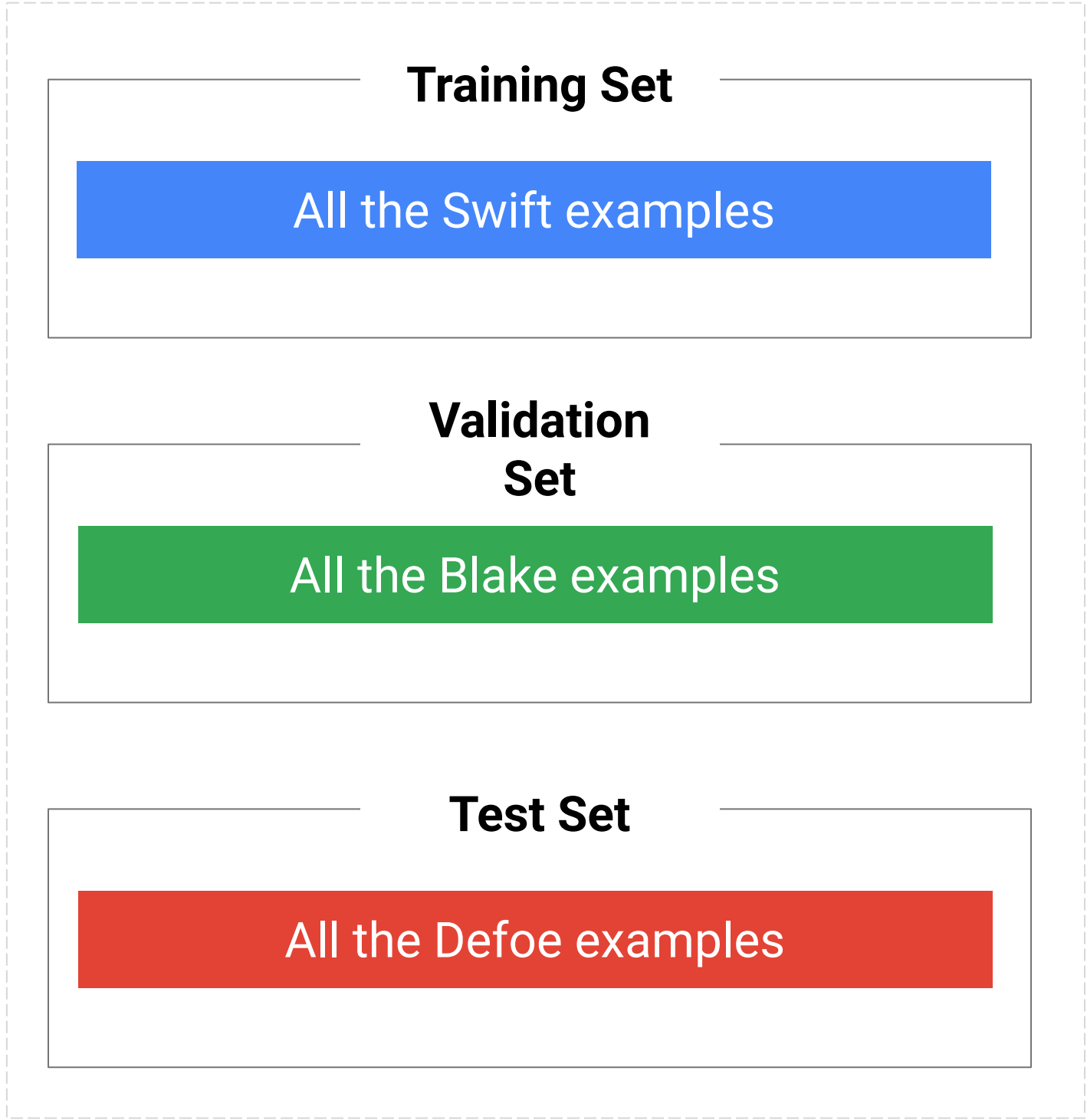
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Solution: Cross-contamination; you have to split by author



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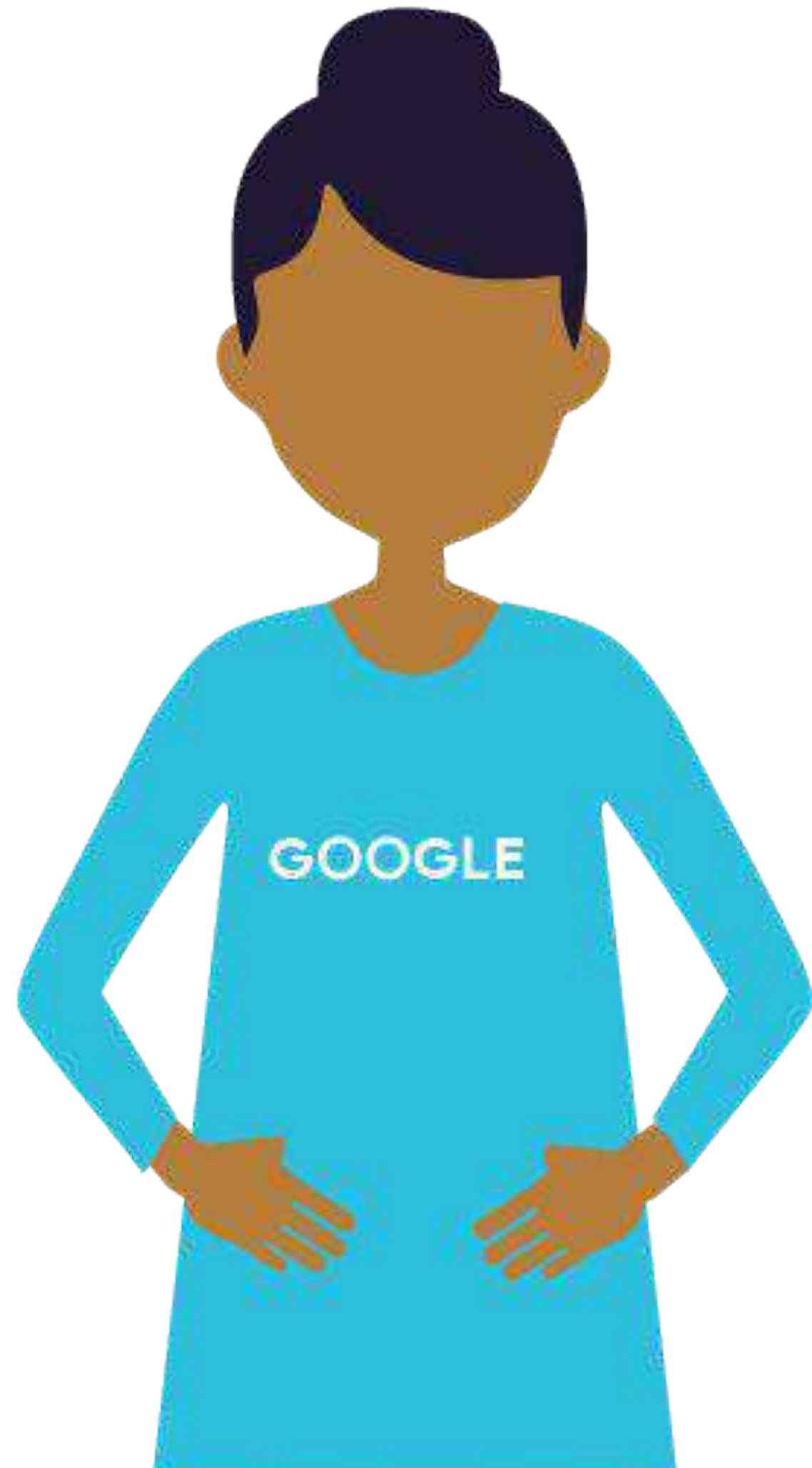
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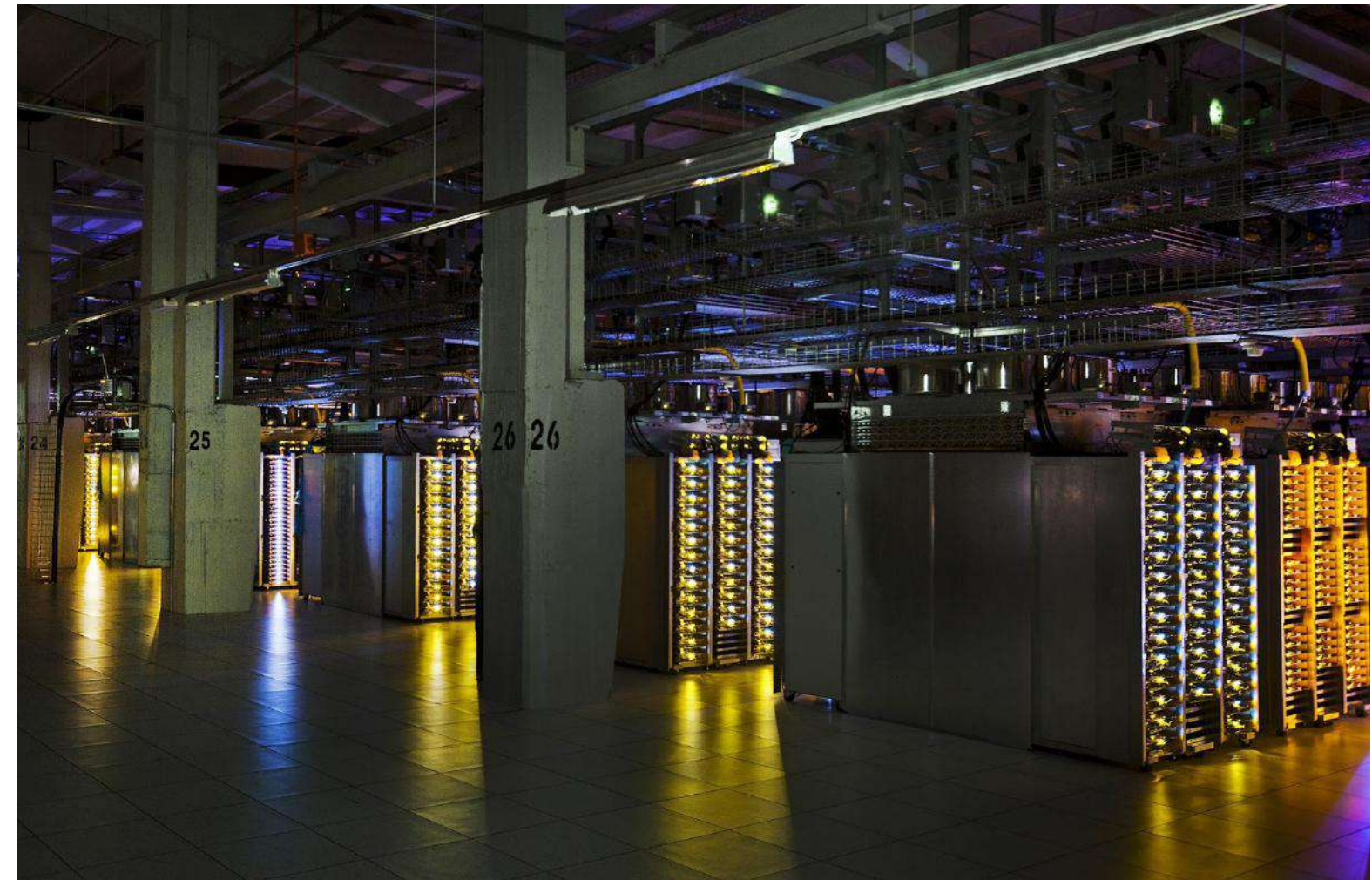
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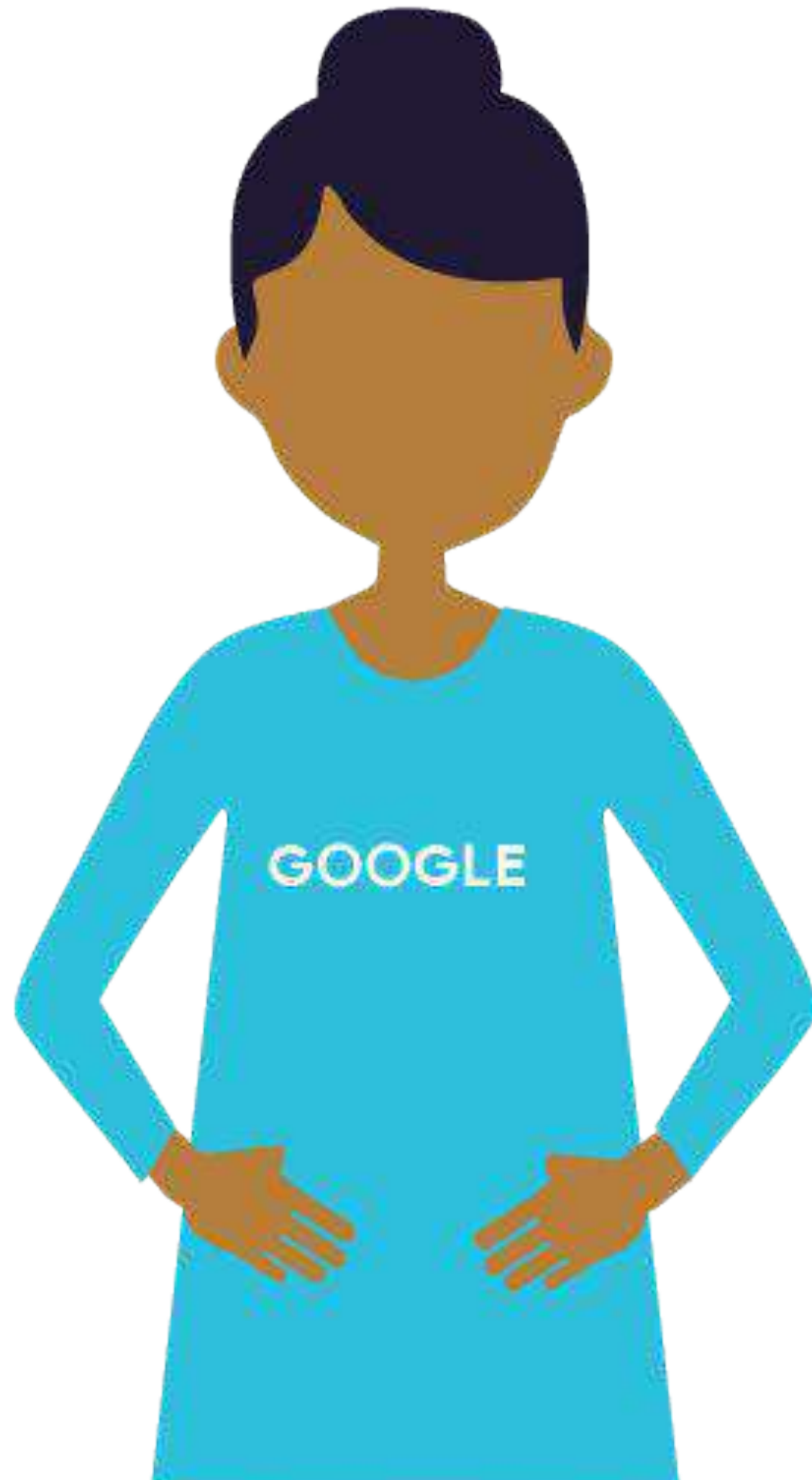




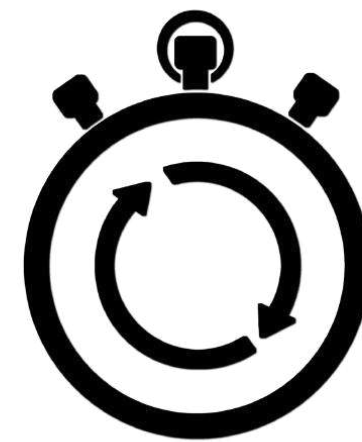
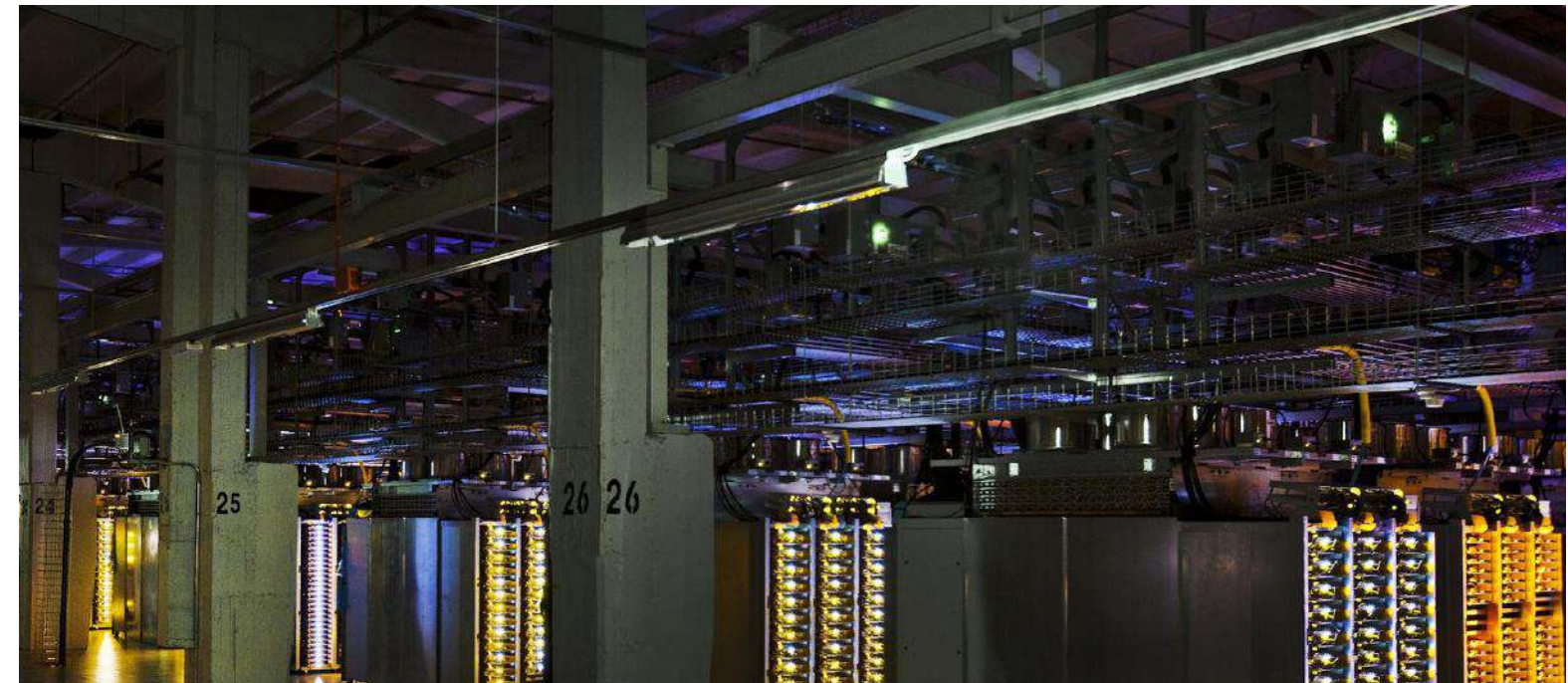
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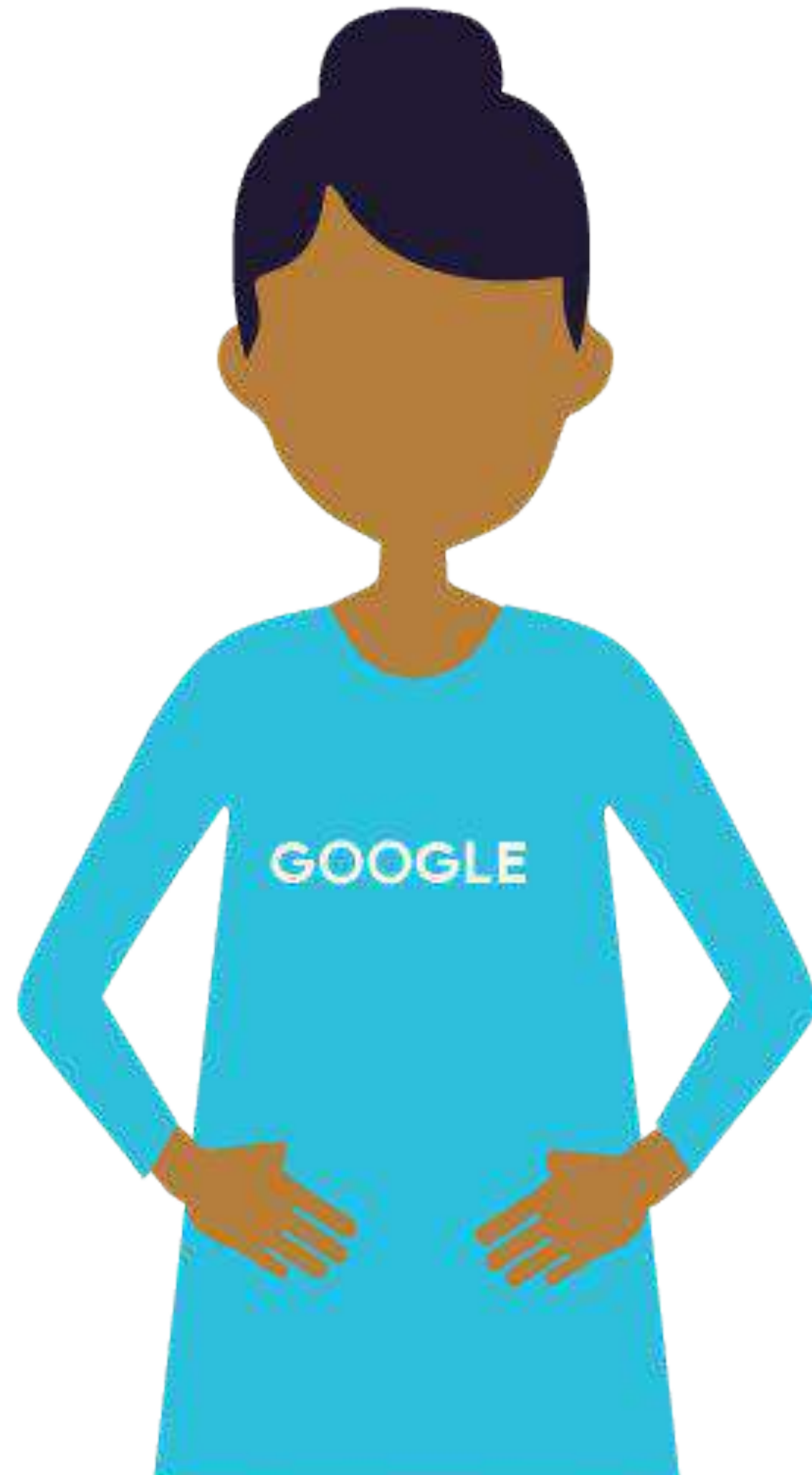




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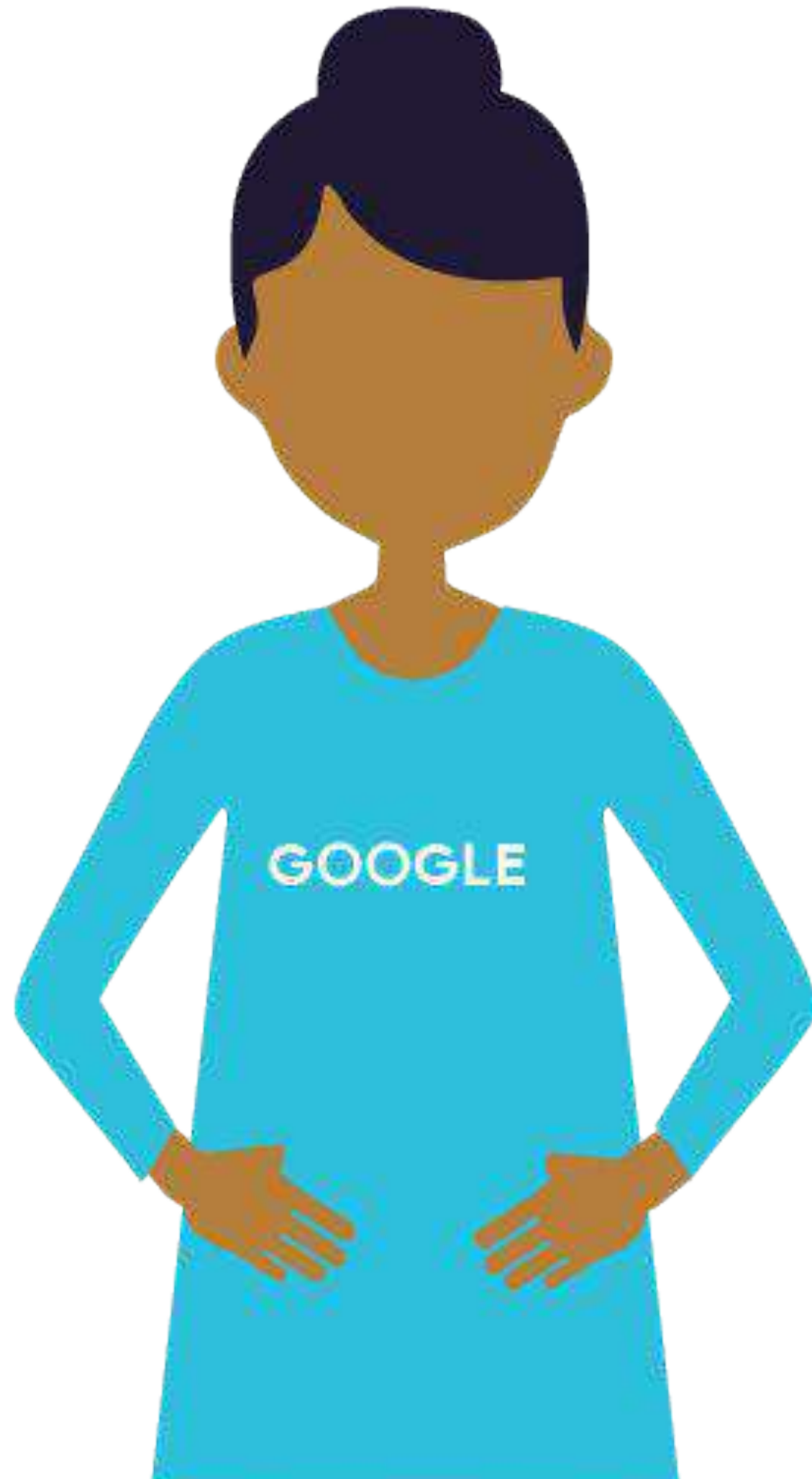
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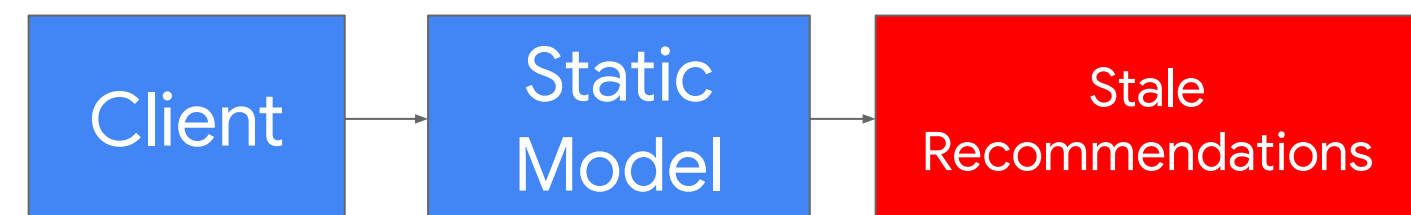
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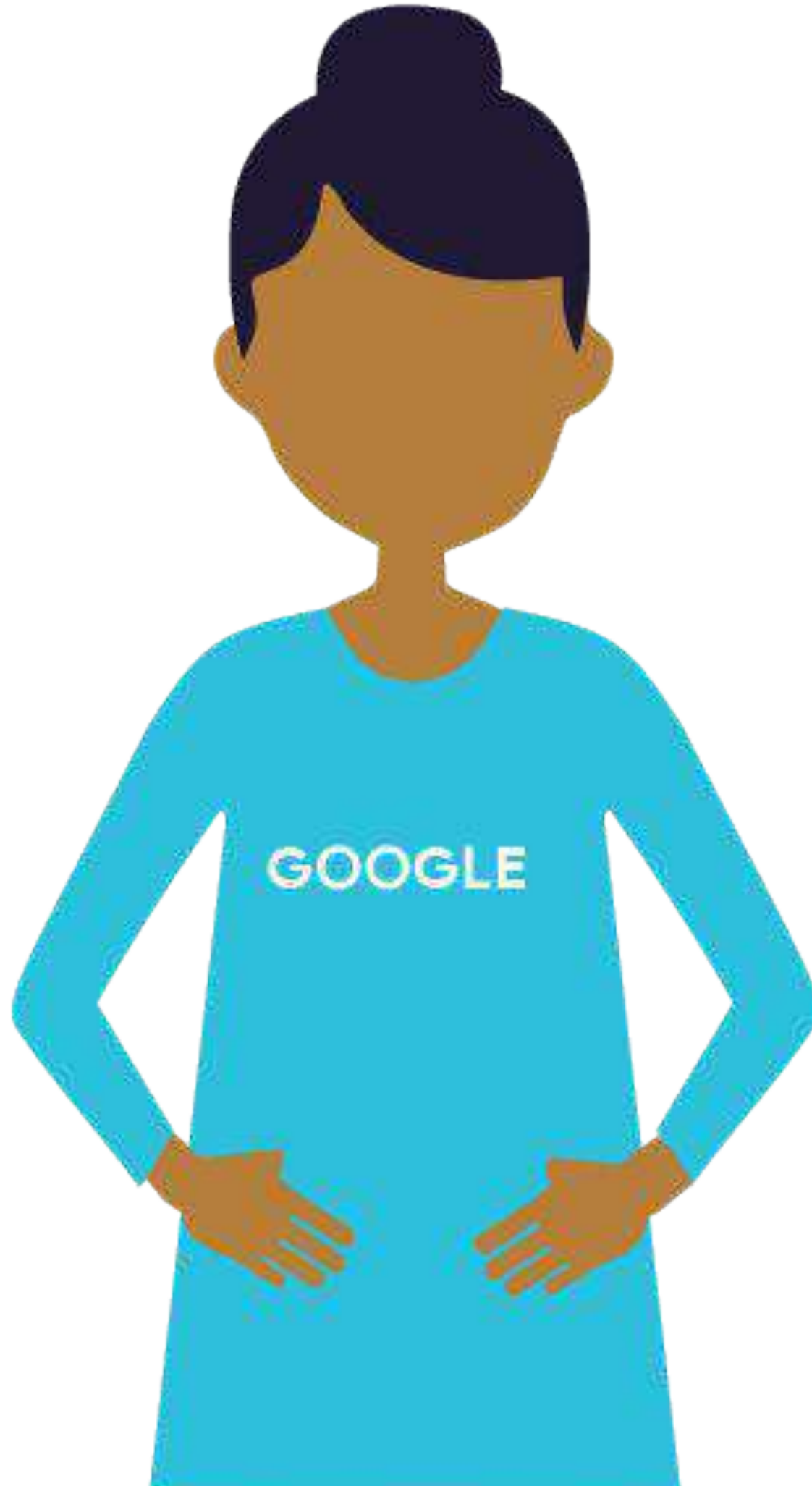




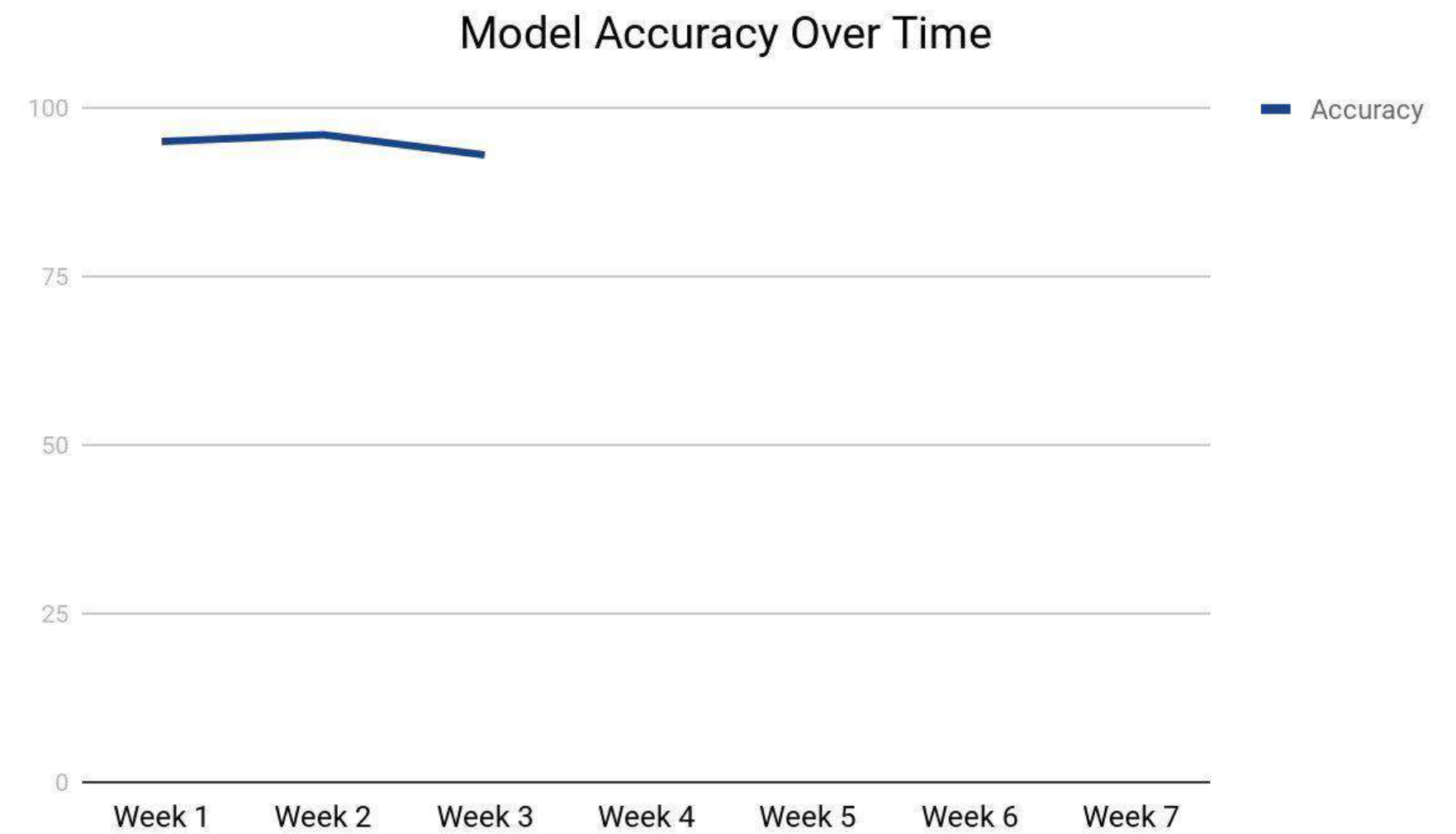
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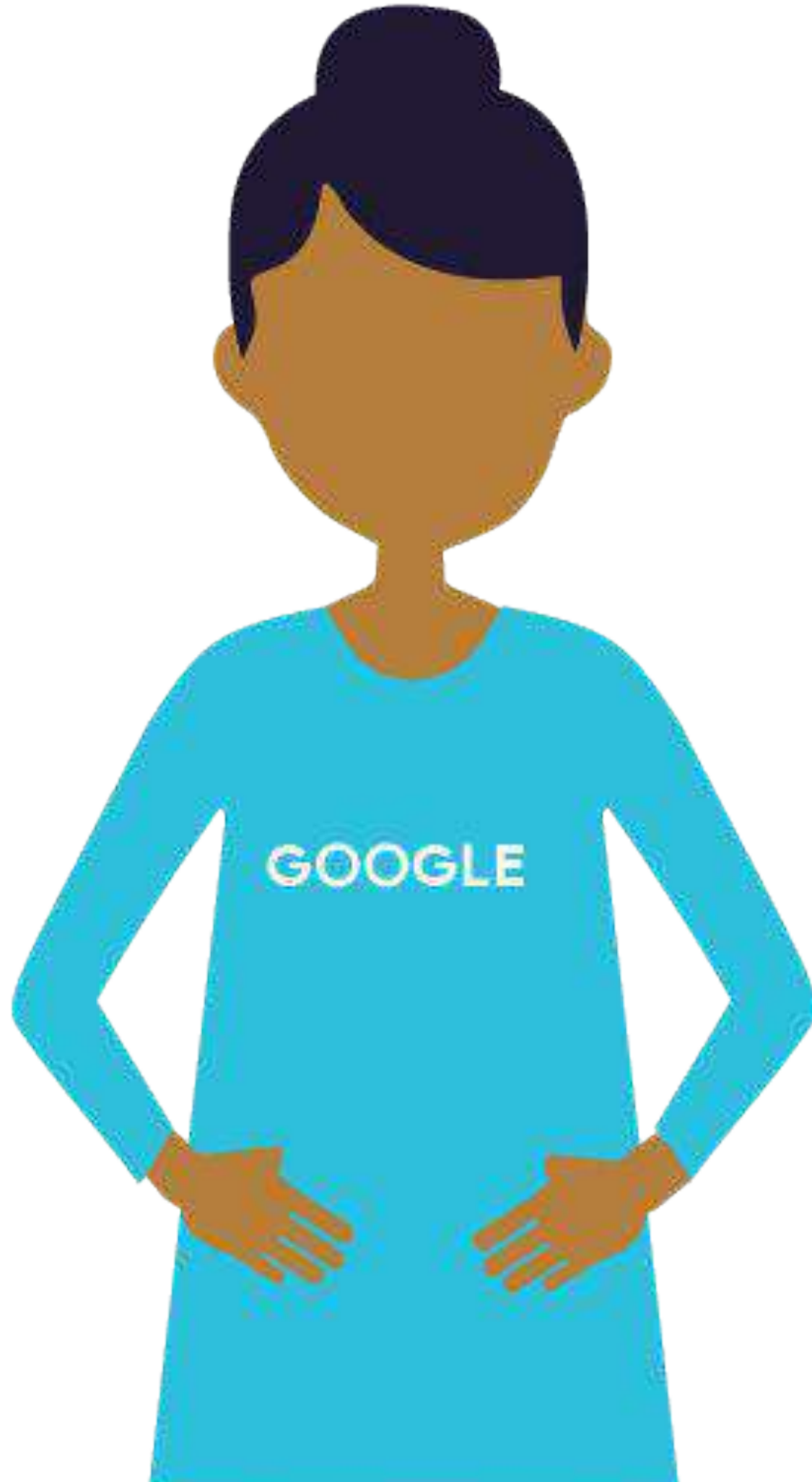




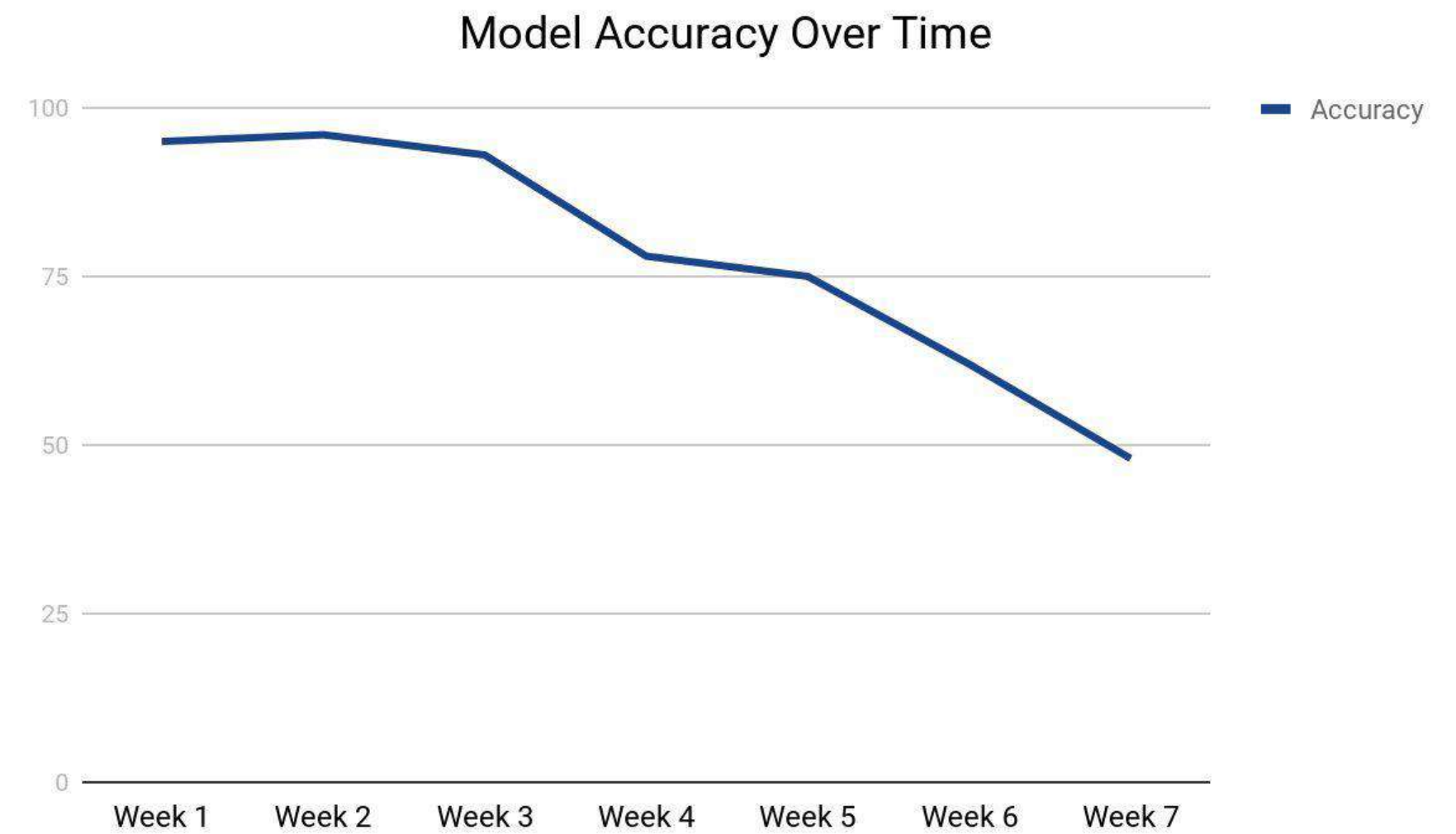


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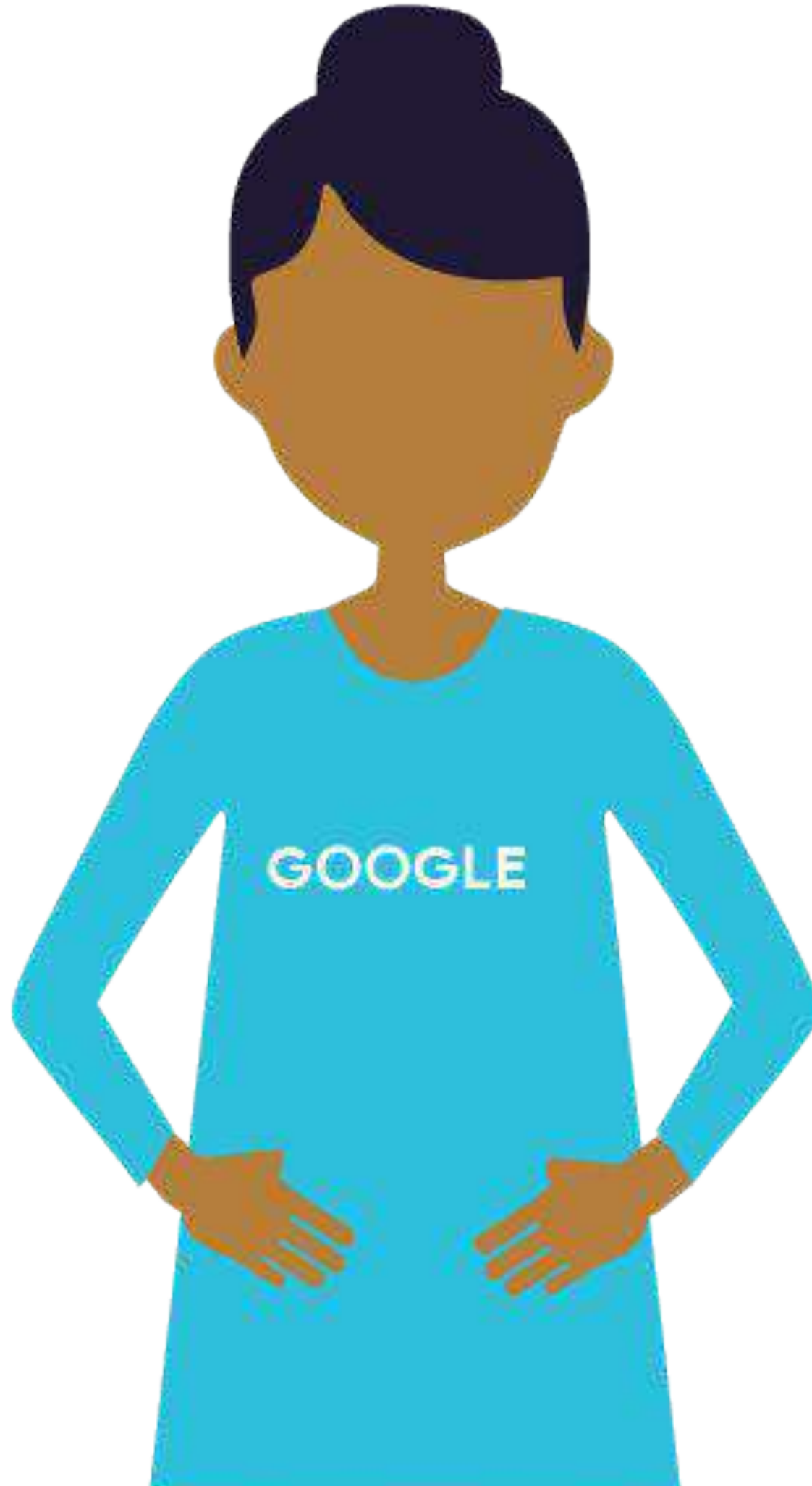
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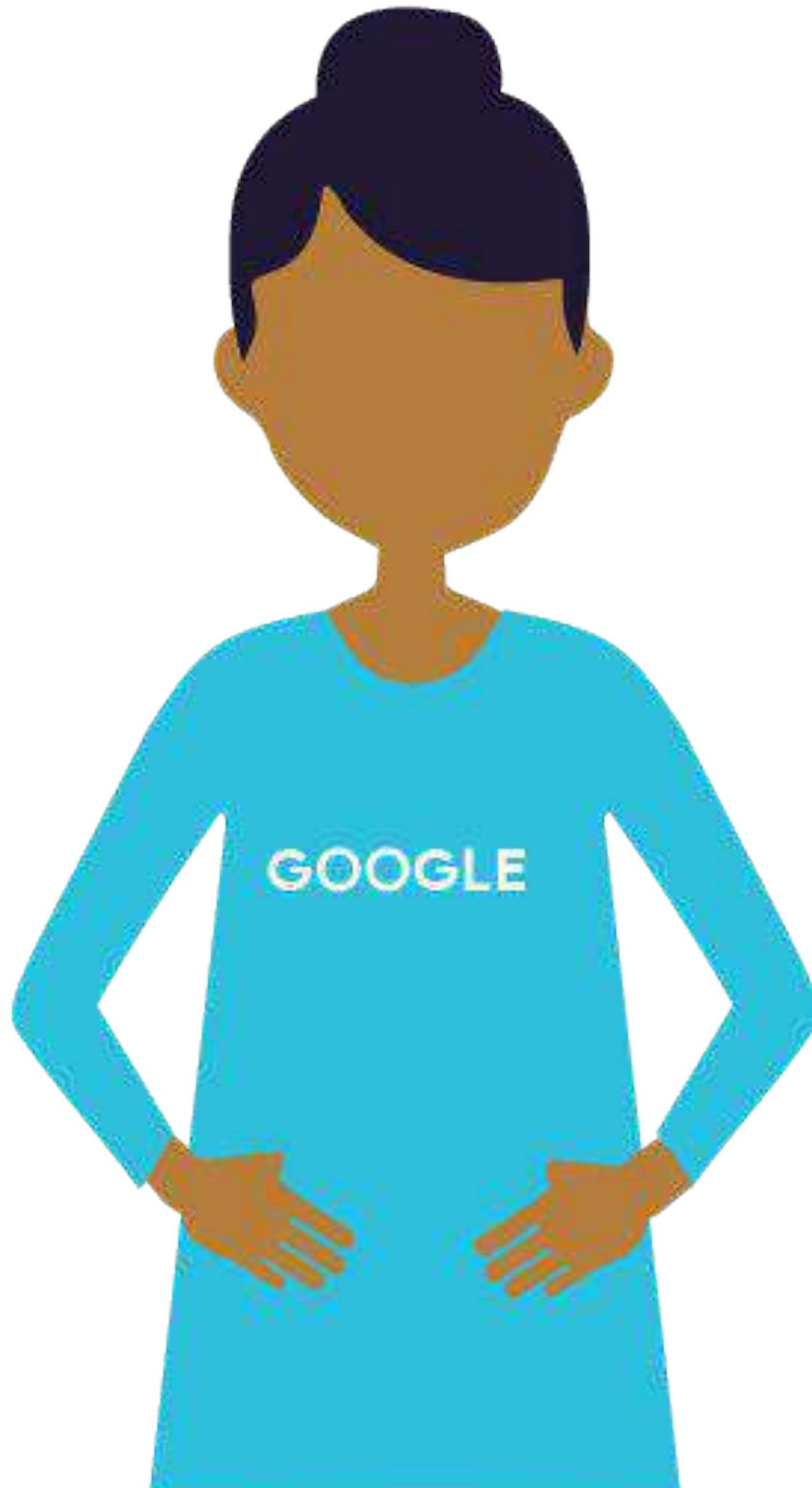
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## Adapting to Data

- Assess all data sources and features based on both cost and benefit before including into the model
- Communicate with upstream data producers to make your needs known
- Replicate critical data sources
- Monitor descriptive statistics for your inputs and outputs





## Adapting to Data

- Monitor your residuals as a function of your inputs
- Use custom weights in your loss function to emphasize data recency
- Use dynamic training architecture and regularly retrain your model
- You get what you optimize for

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Lesson Title: **Mitigating Training-Serving Skew Through Design**

Presenter: Max Lotstein

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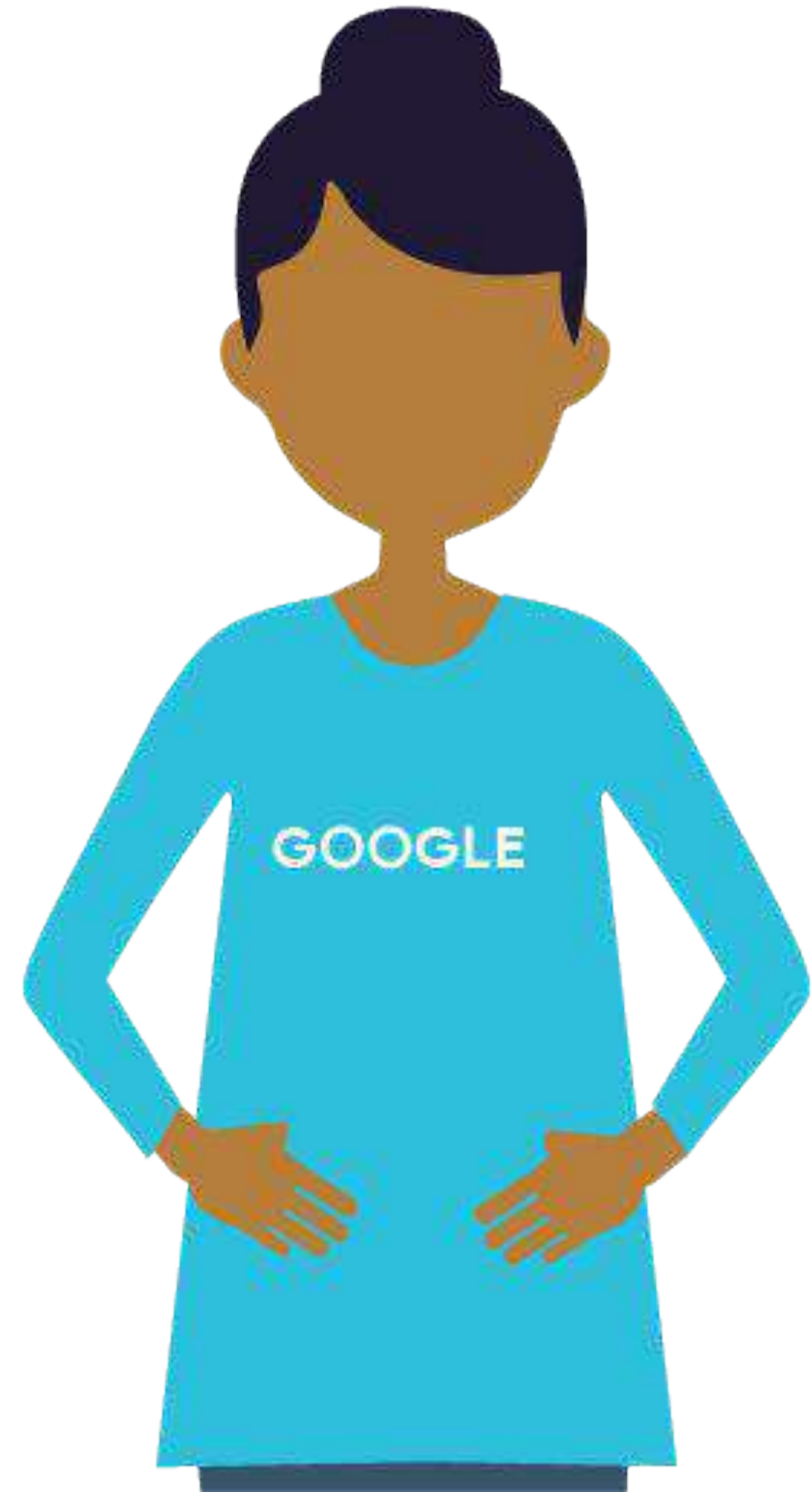
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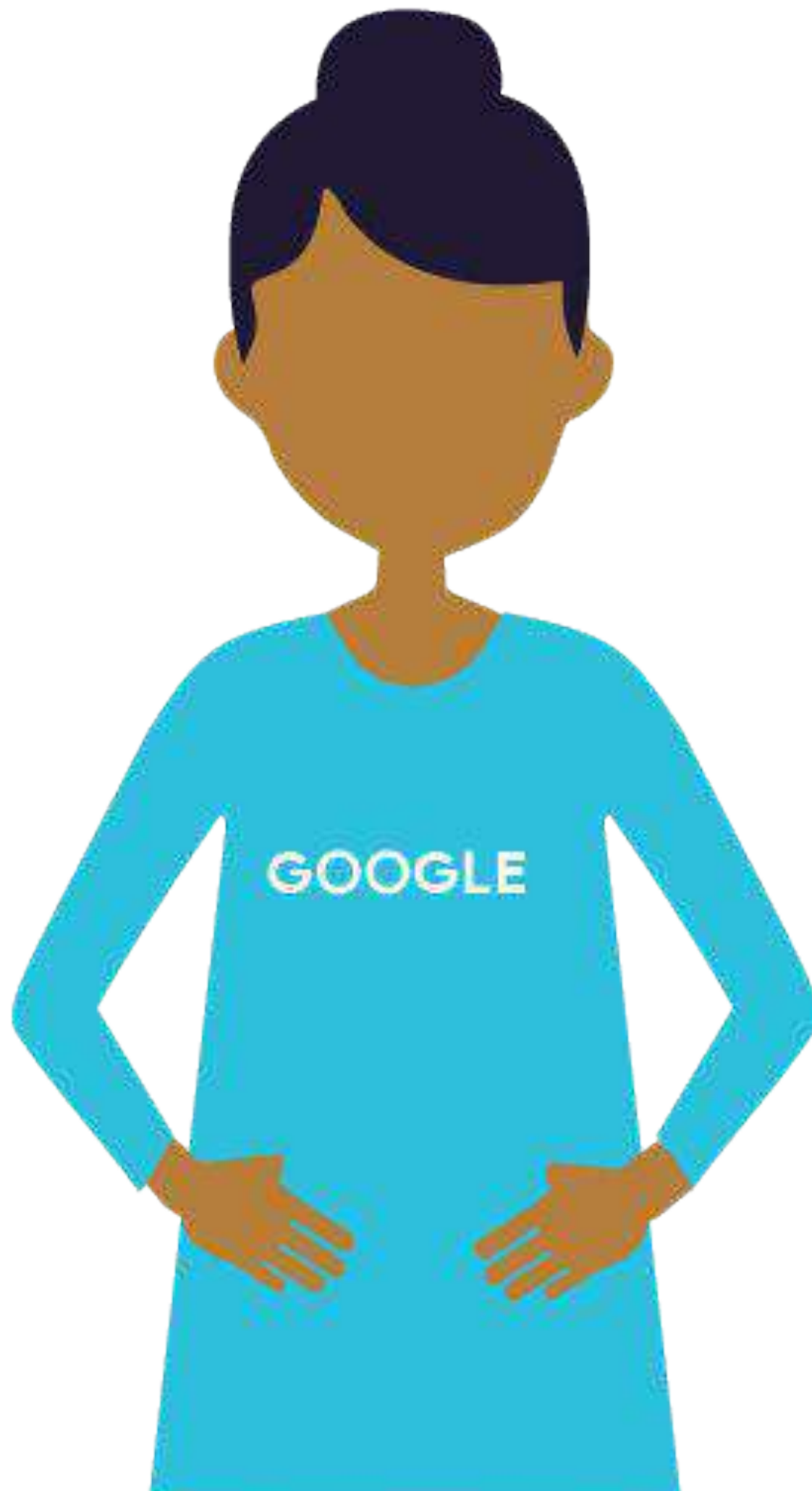
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Adapting to Data

**Mitigating Training-Serving  
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Debugging a Production Model





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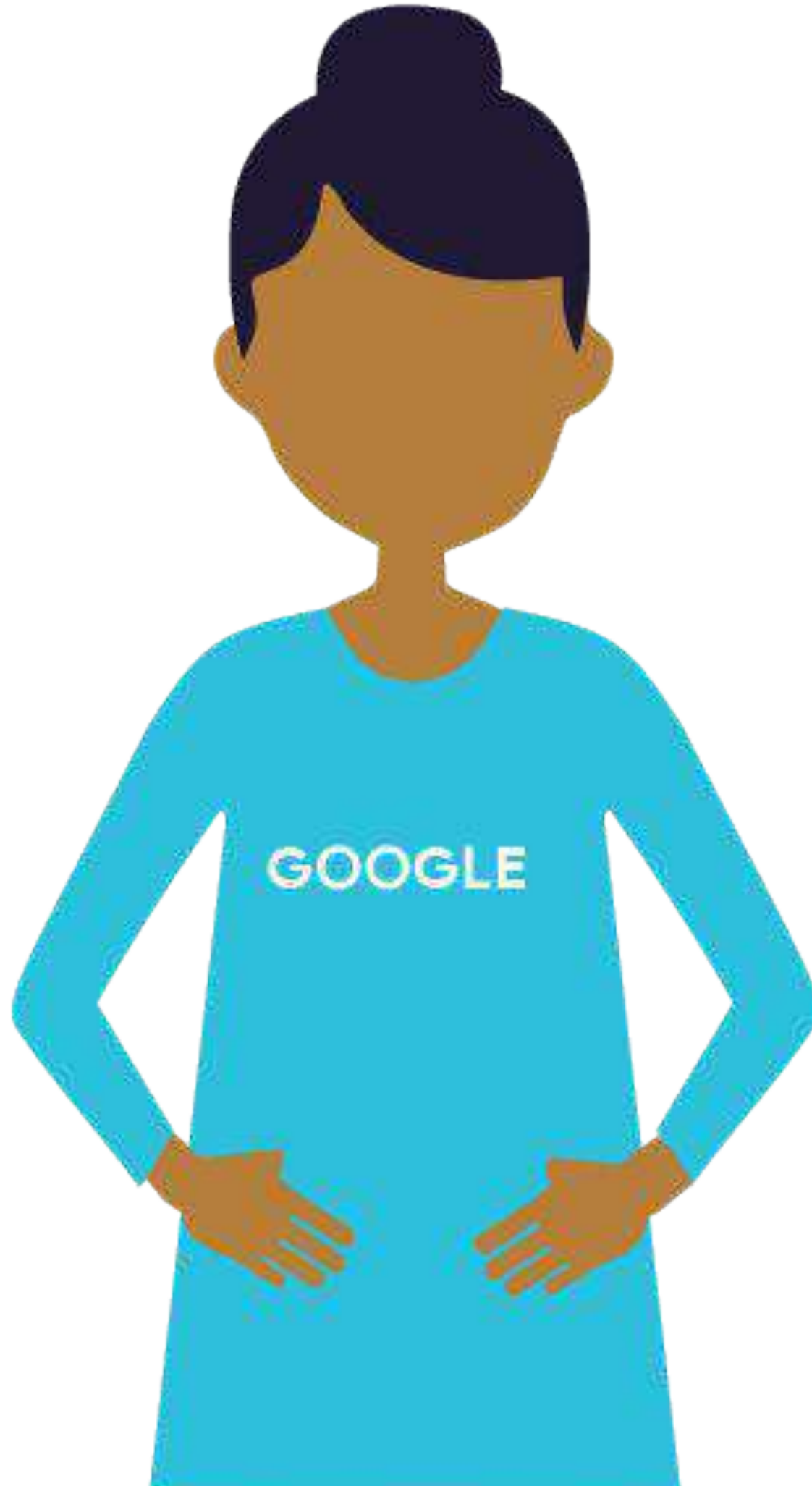
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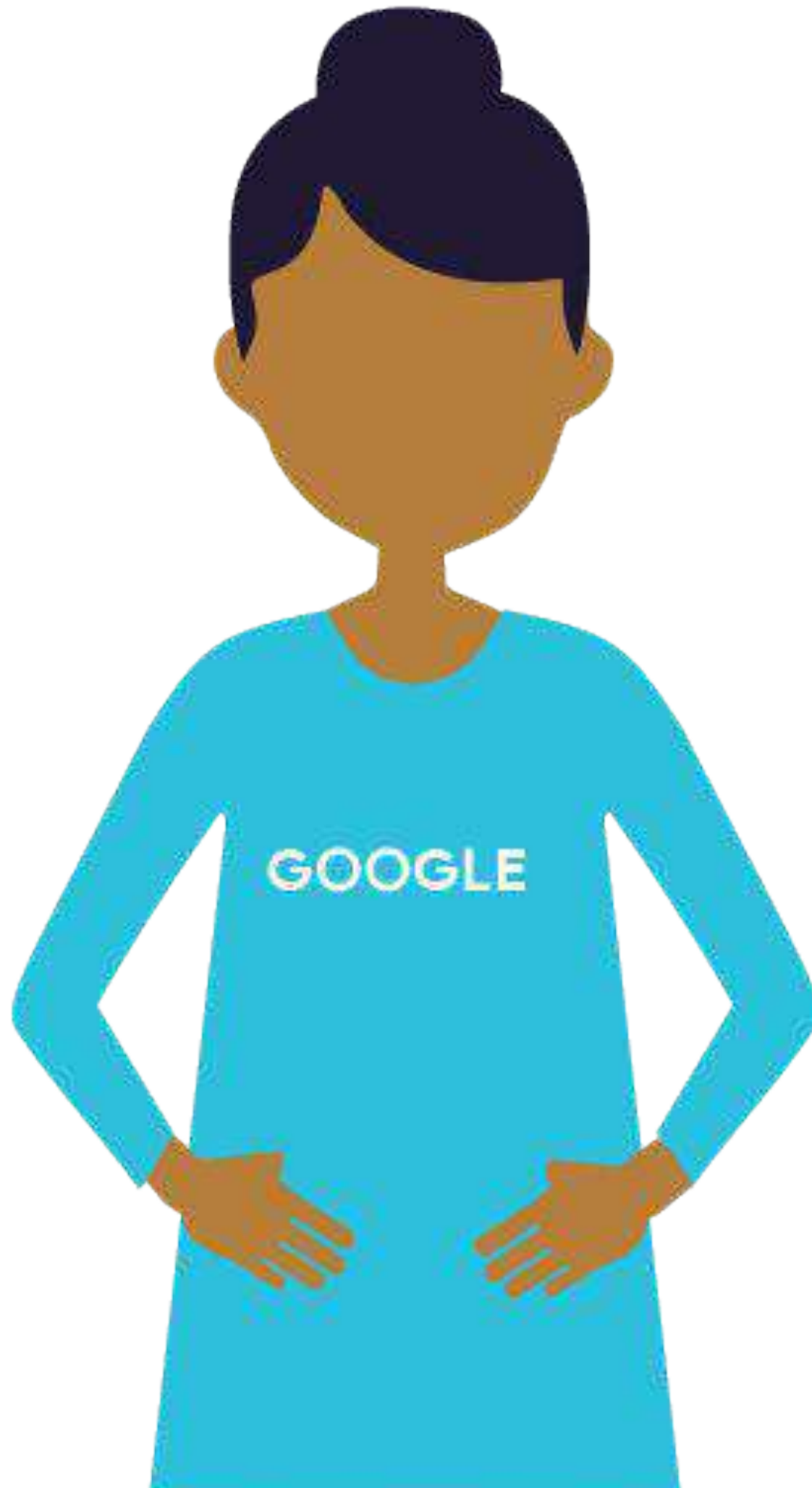
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## Training/Serving Skew

1. A discrepancy between how you handle data in the training and serving pipelines
2. A change in the data between when you train and when you serve.
3. A feedback loop between your model and your algorithm.



## How Code Can Create Training/Serving Skew

- Different library versions that are functionally equivalent but optimized differently
- Different library versions that are not functionally equivalent
- Re-implemented functions

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Lesson Title: **Lab Intro: Serving ML Predictions in batch and real-time**

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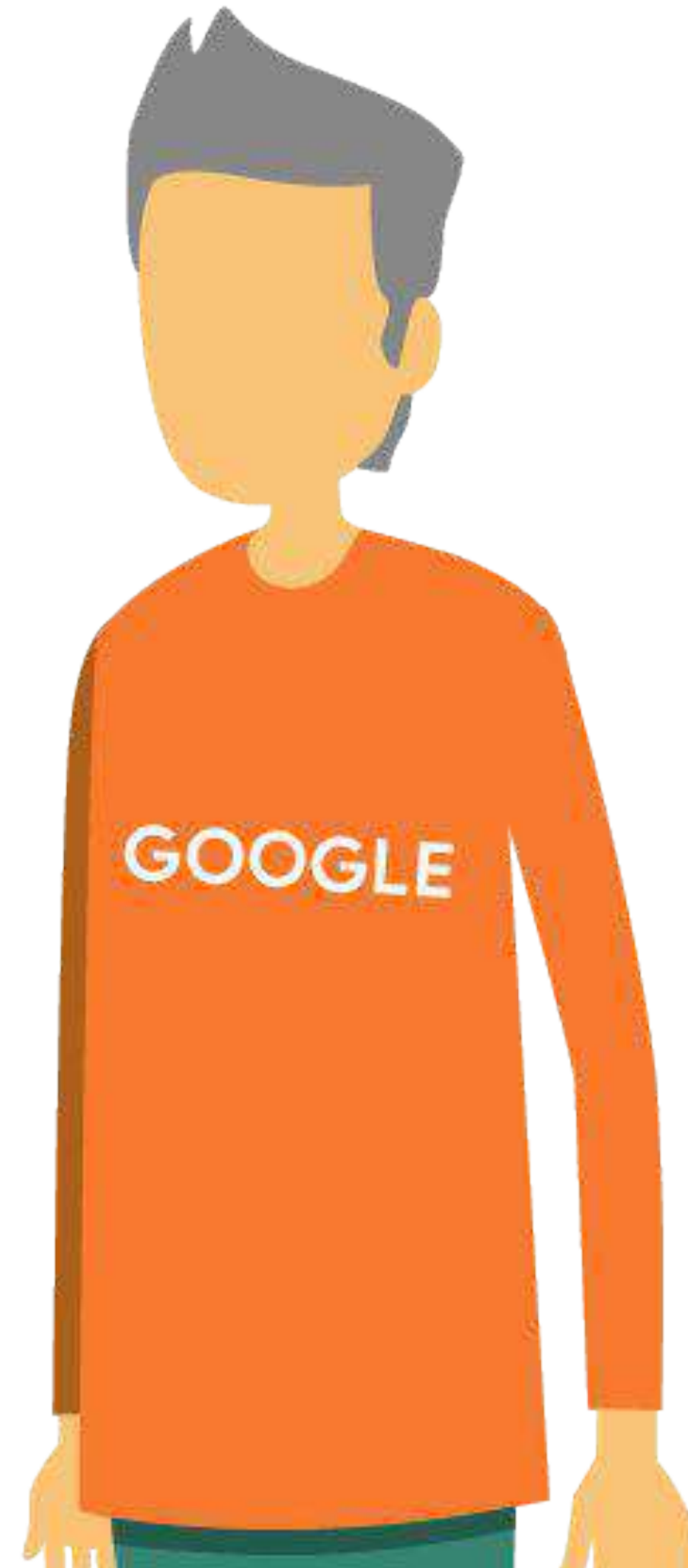
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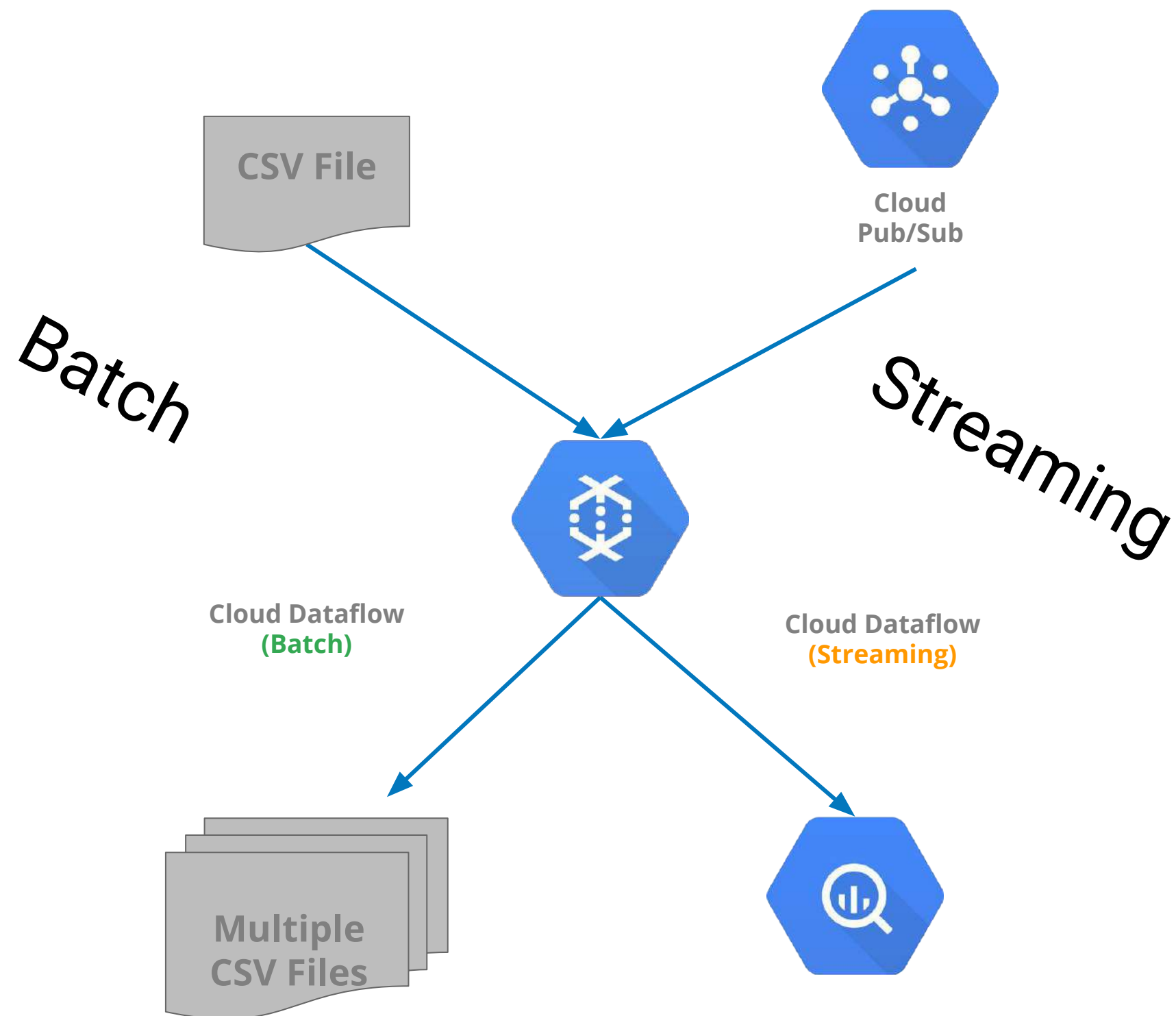
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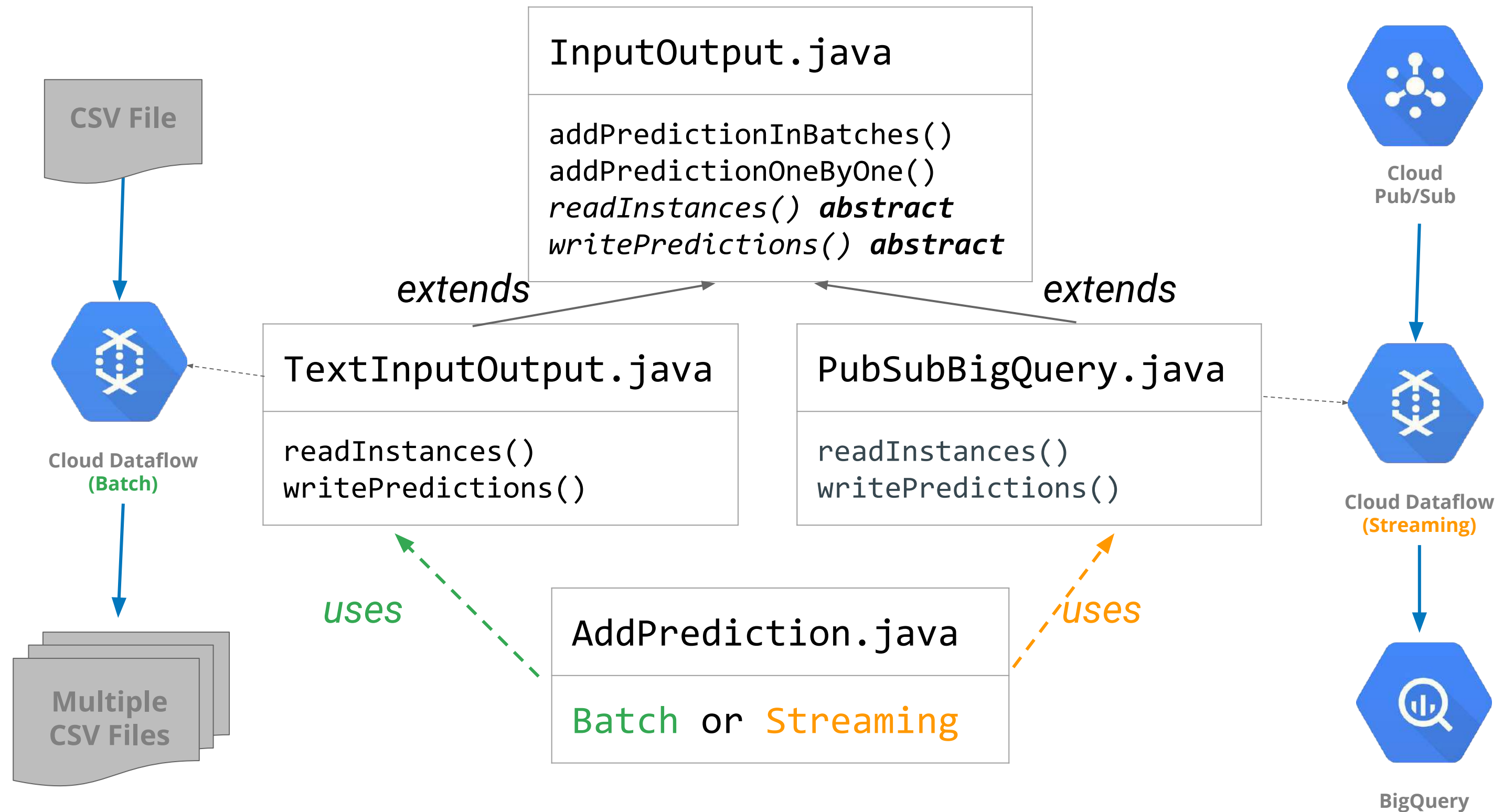
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# Lab: Serving ML Predictions in batch and real-time



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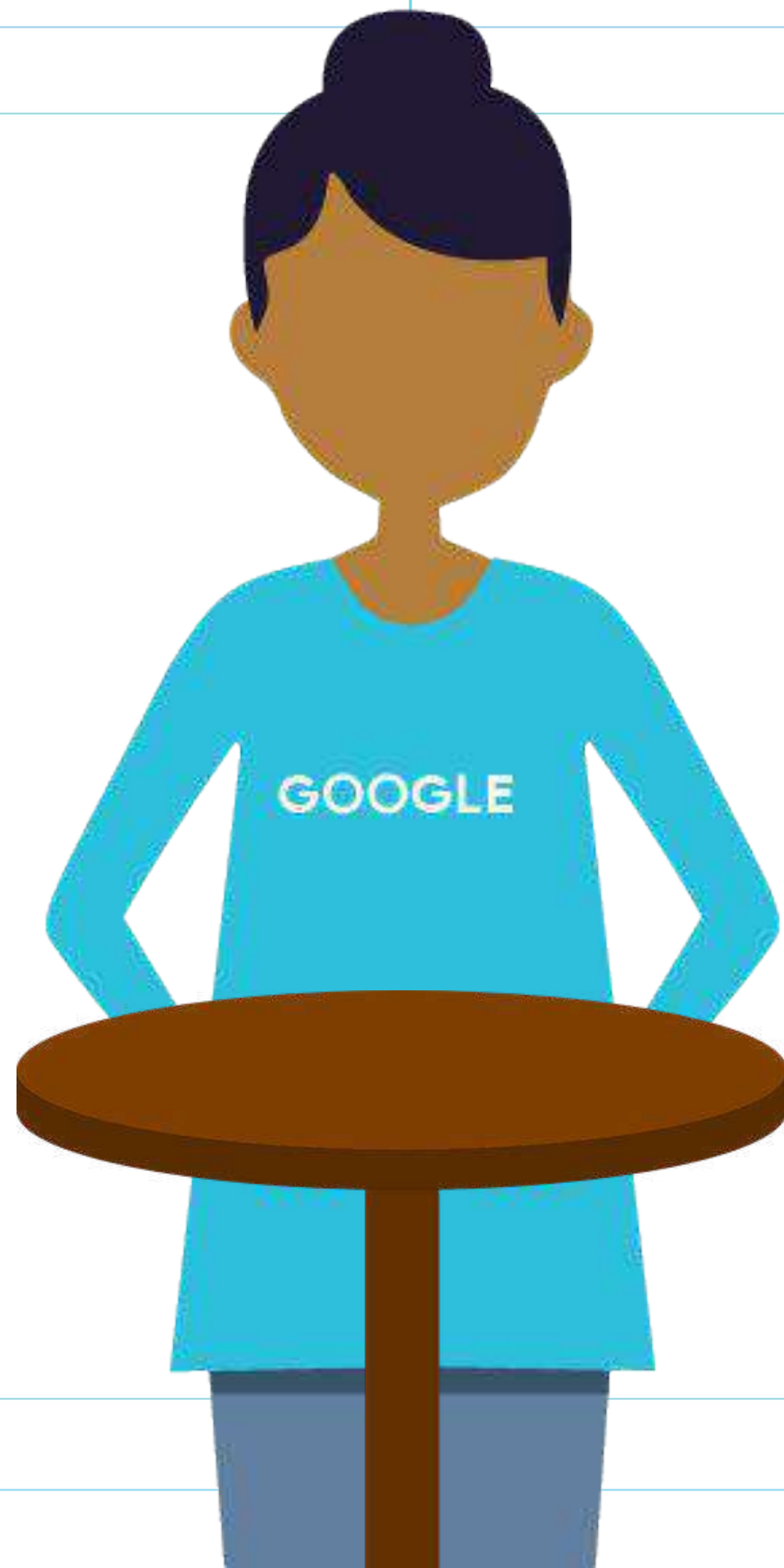
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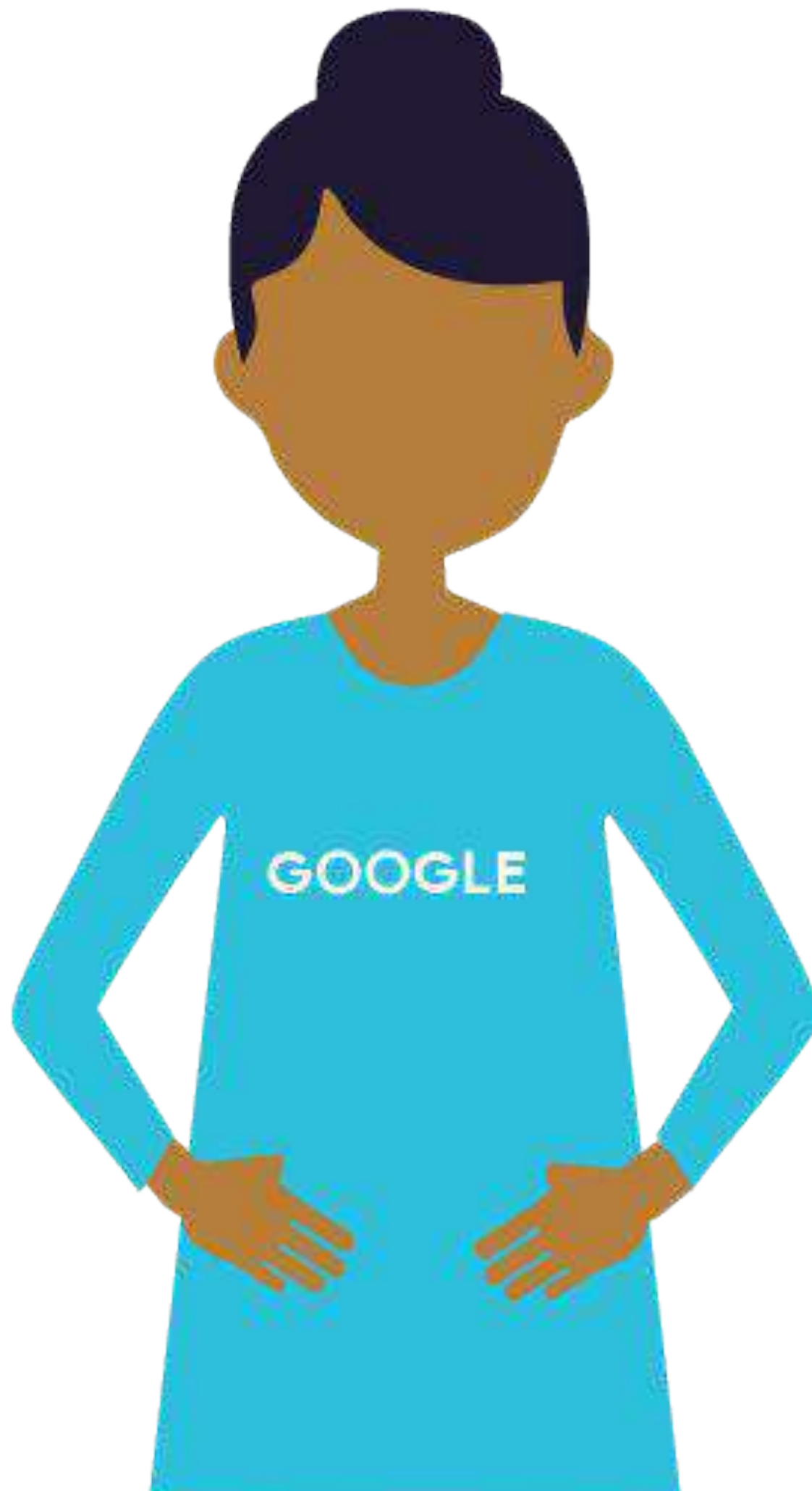
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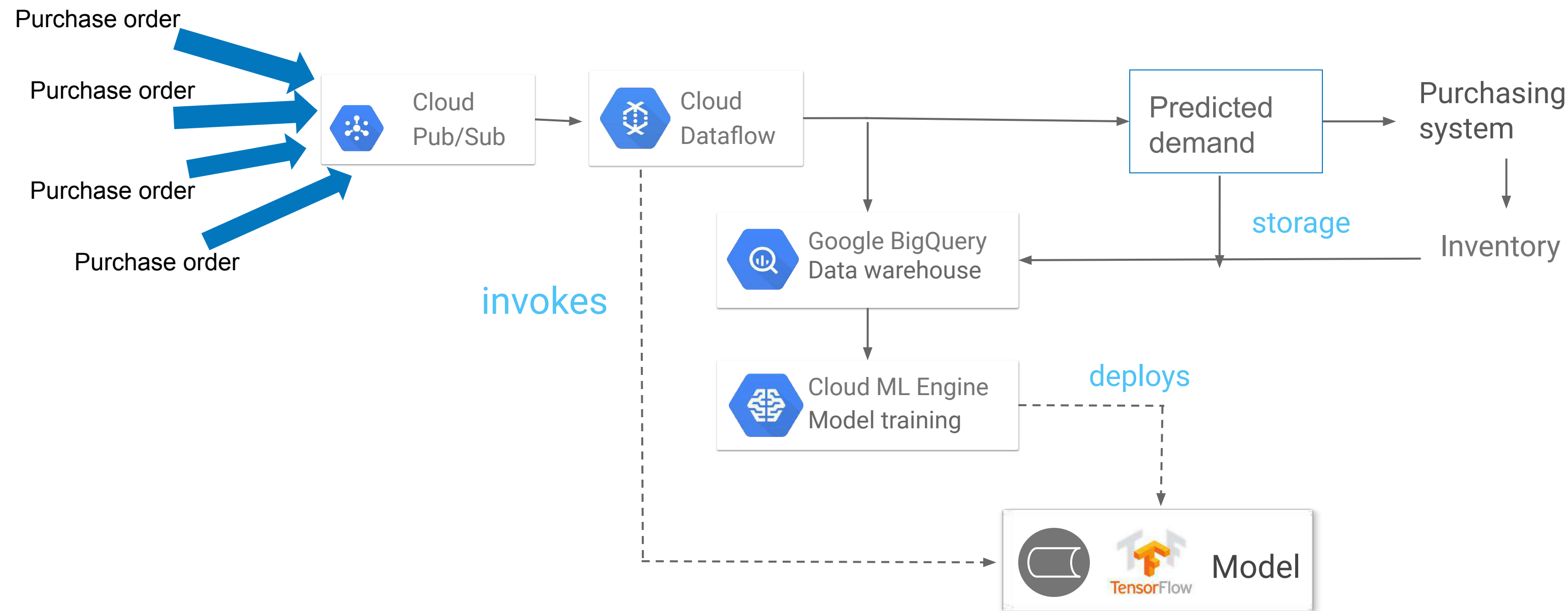
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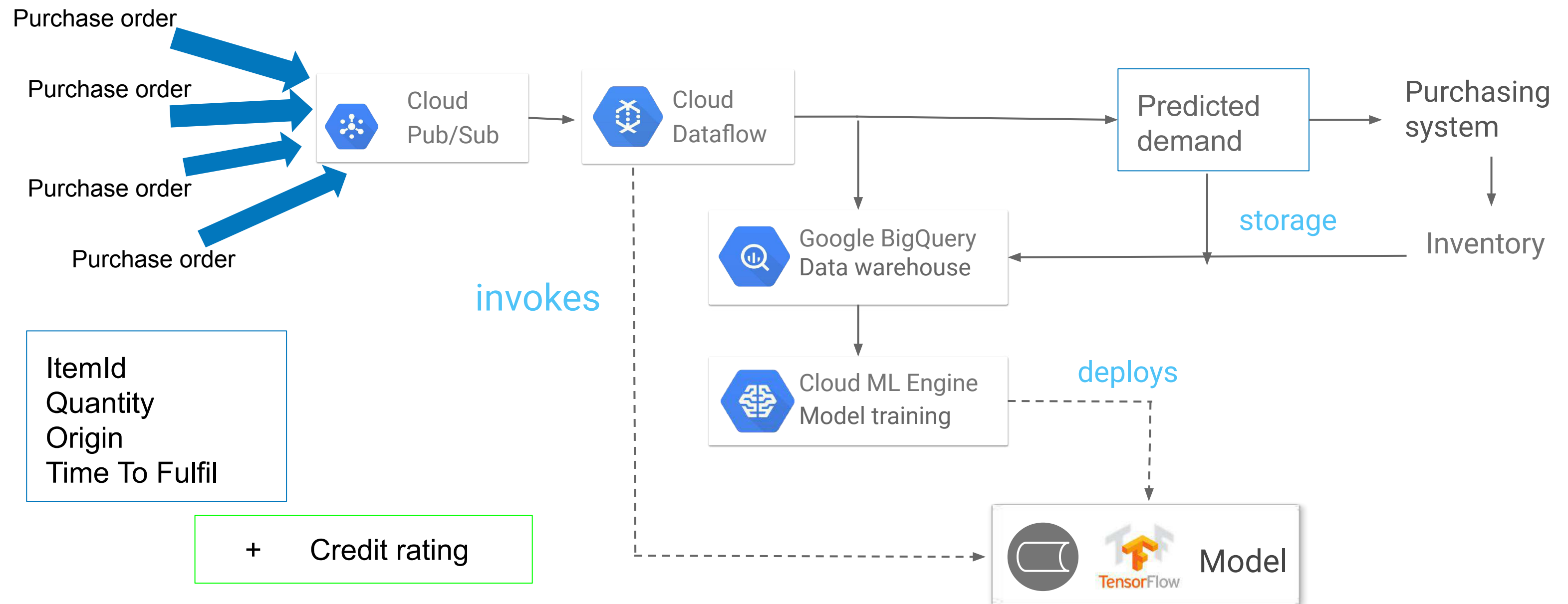
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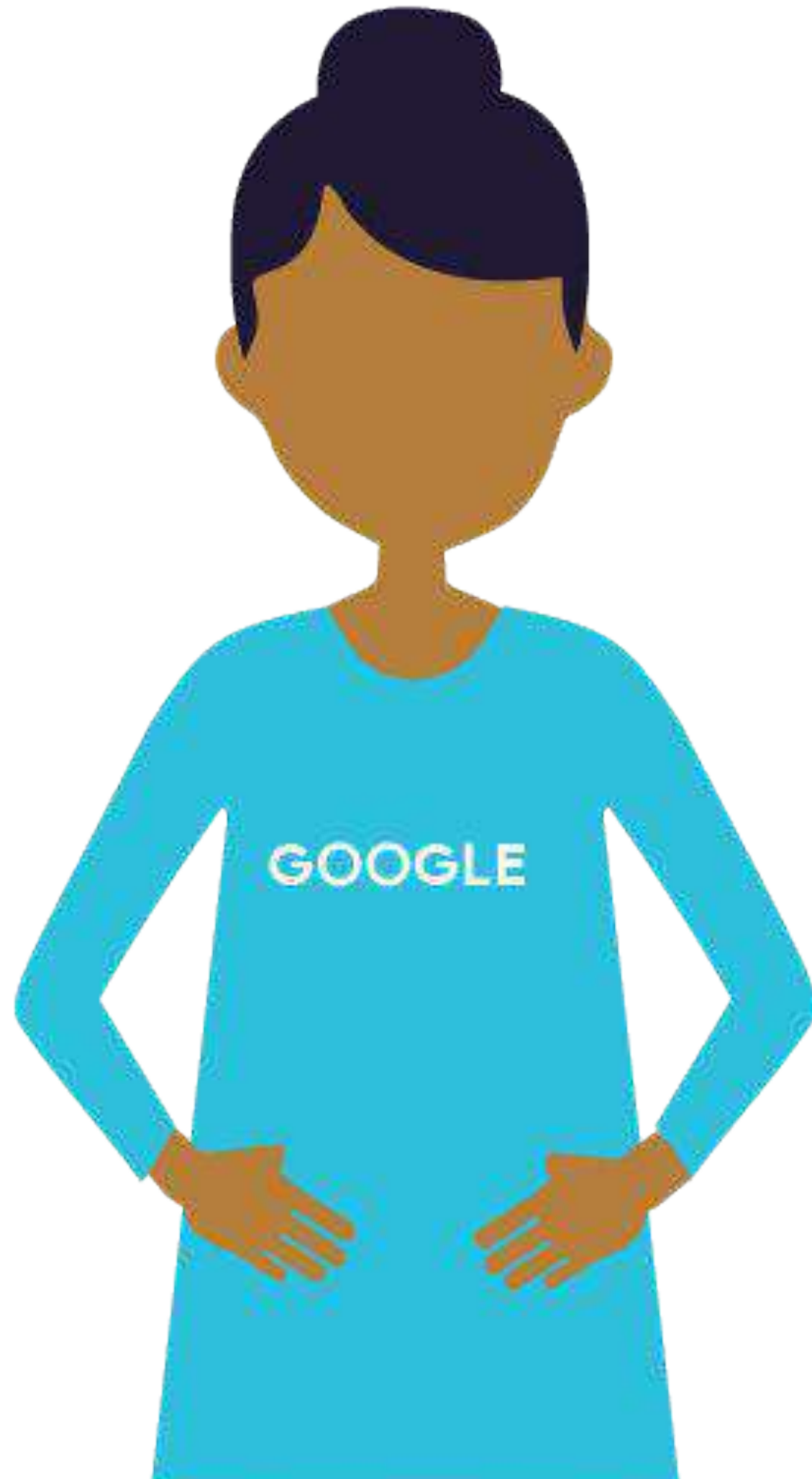
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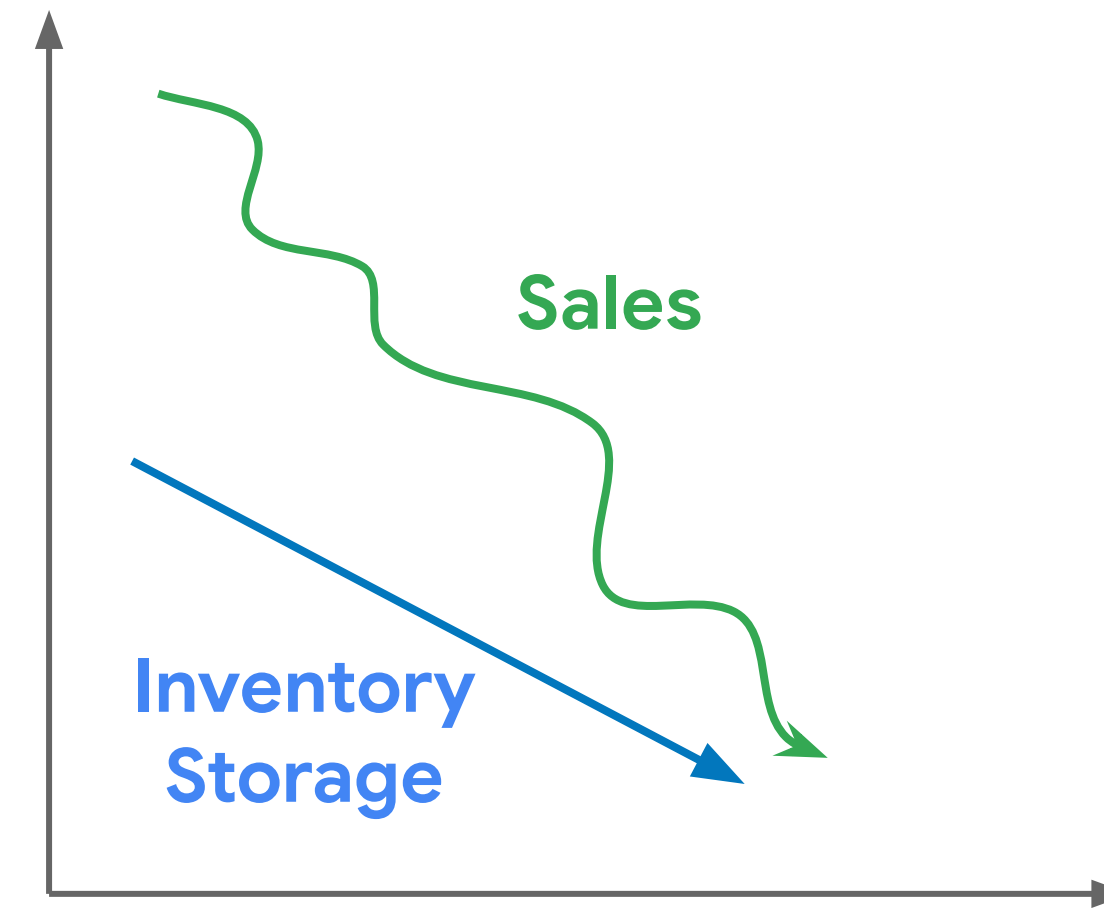
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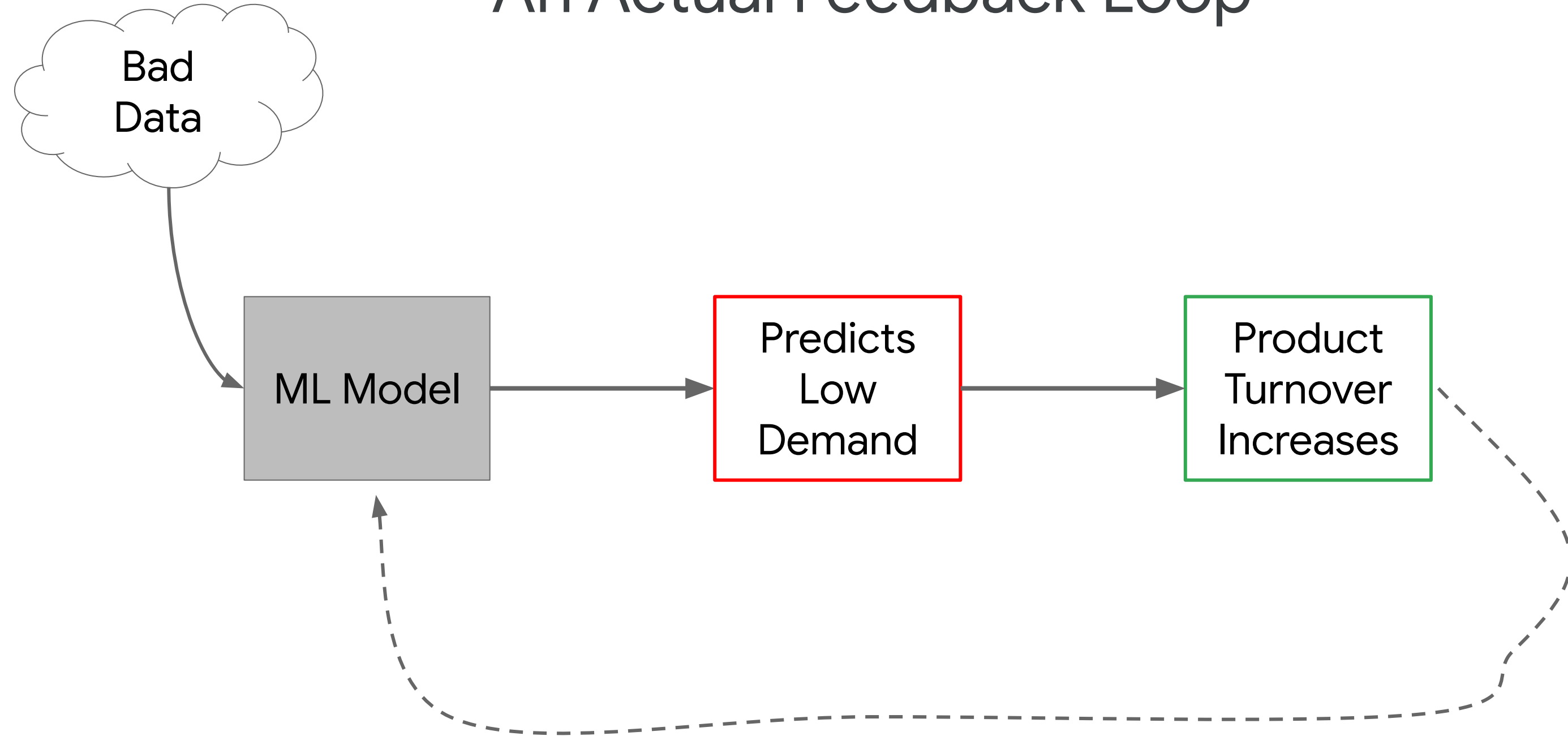


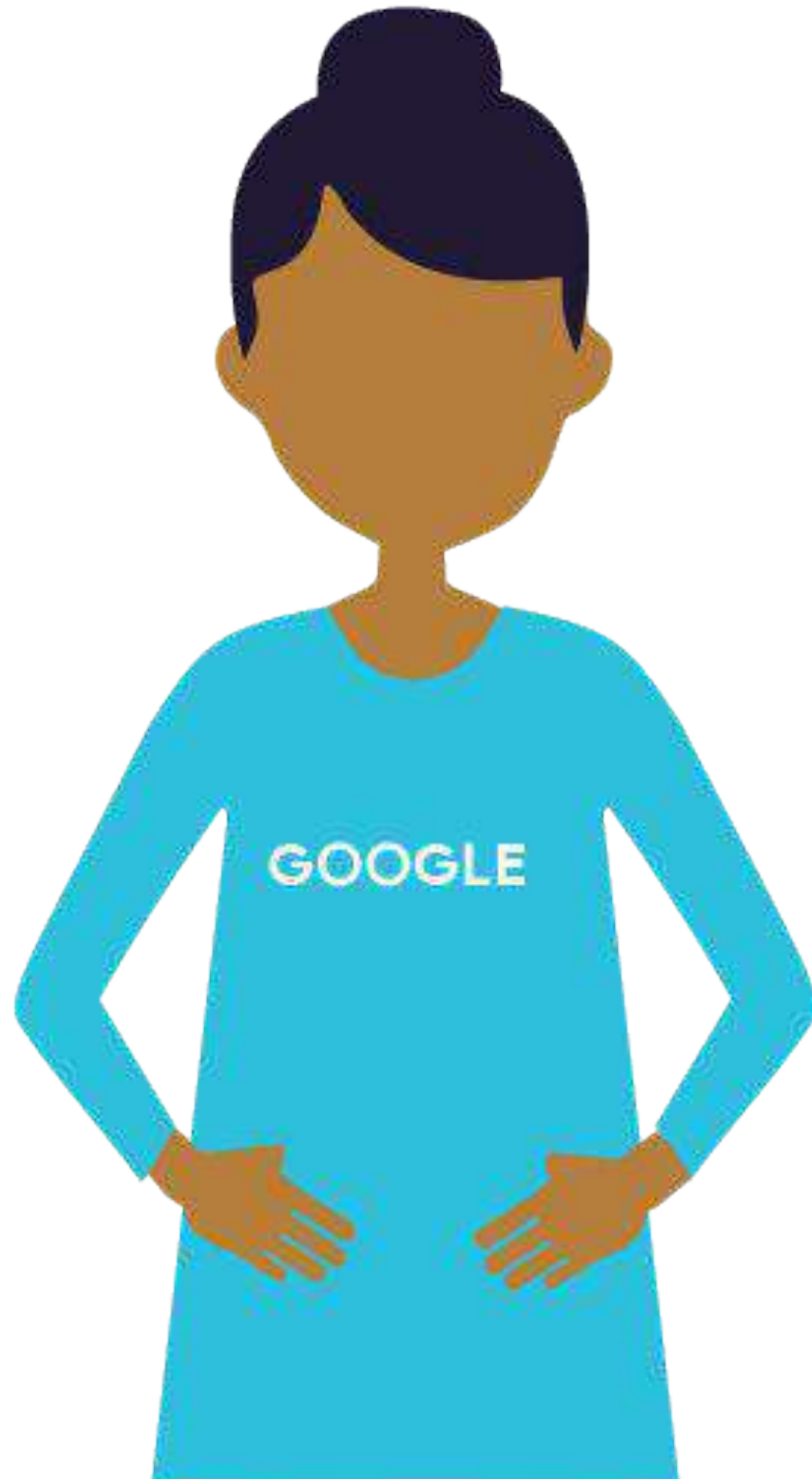


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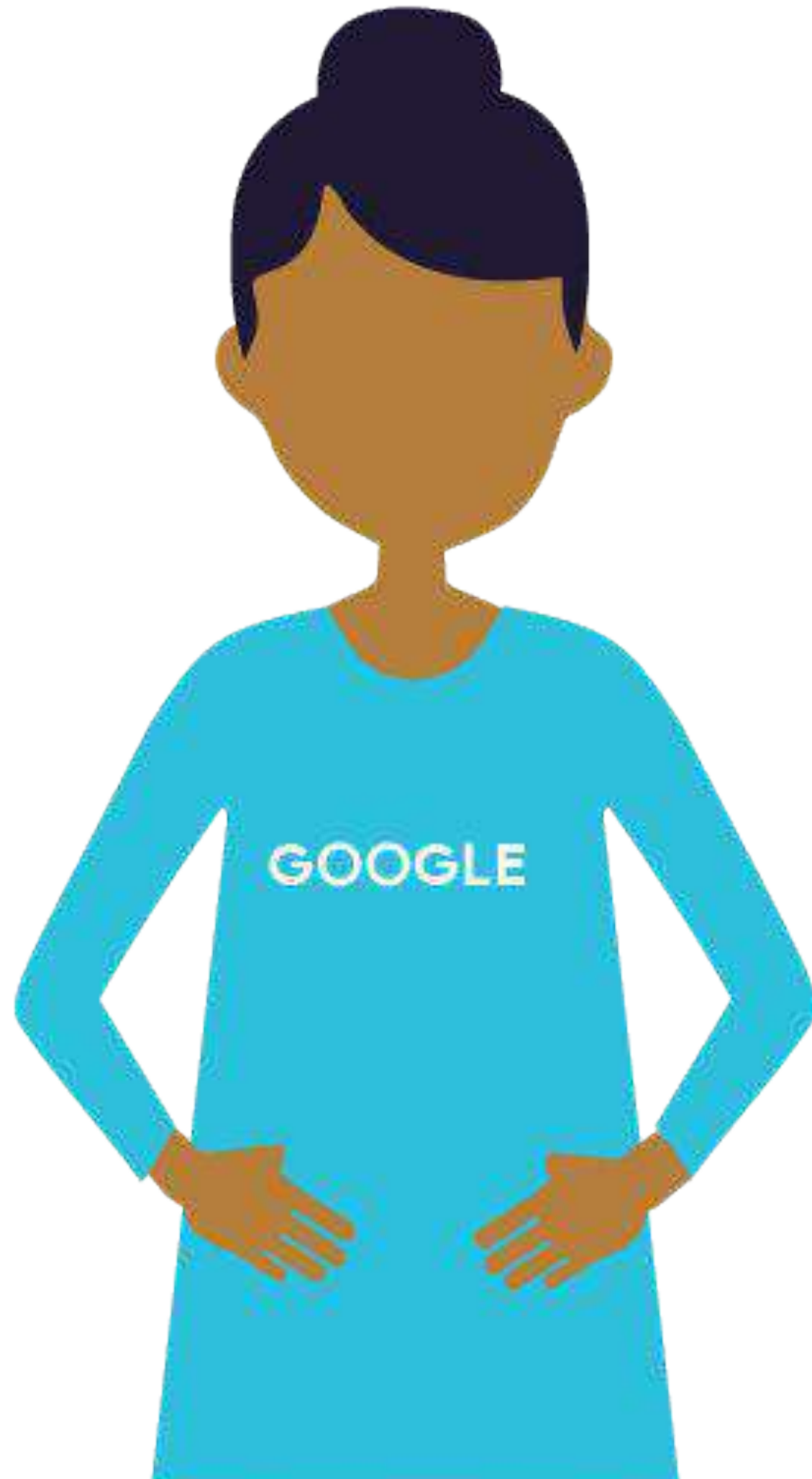
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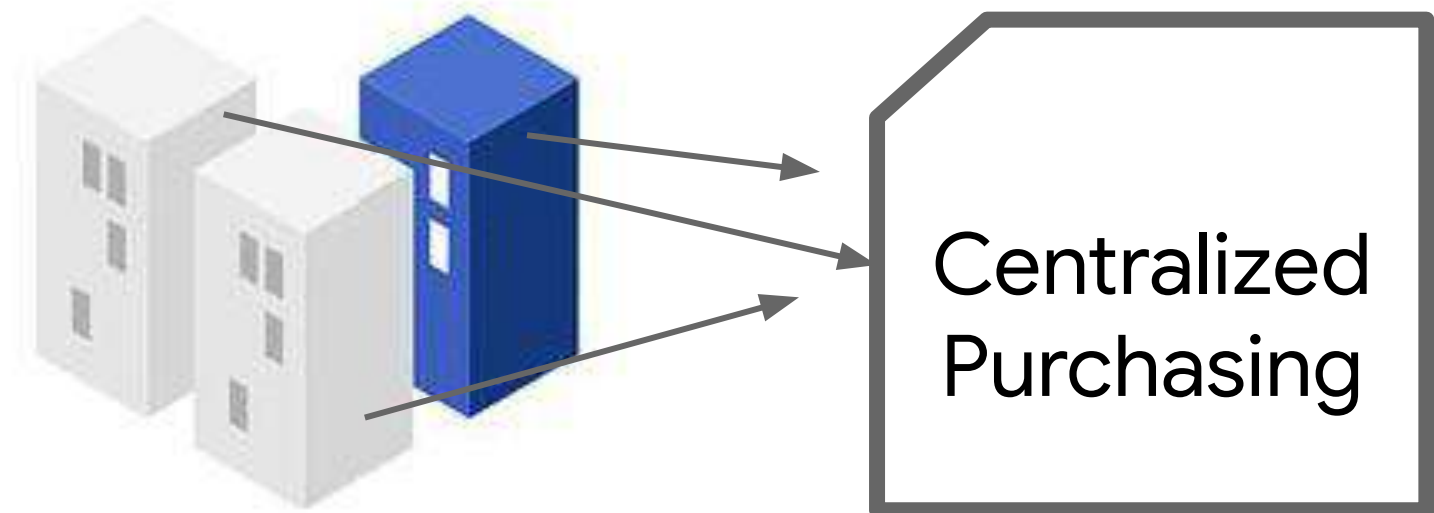


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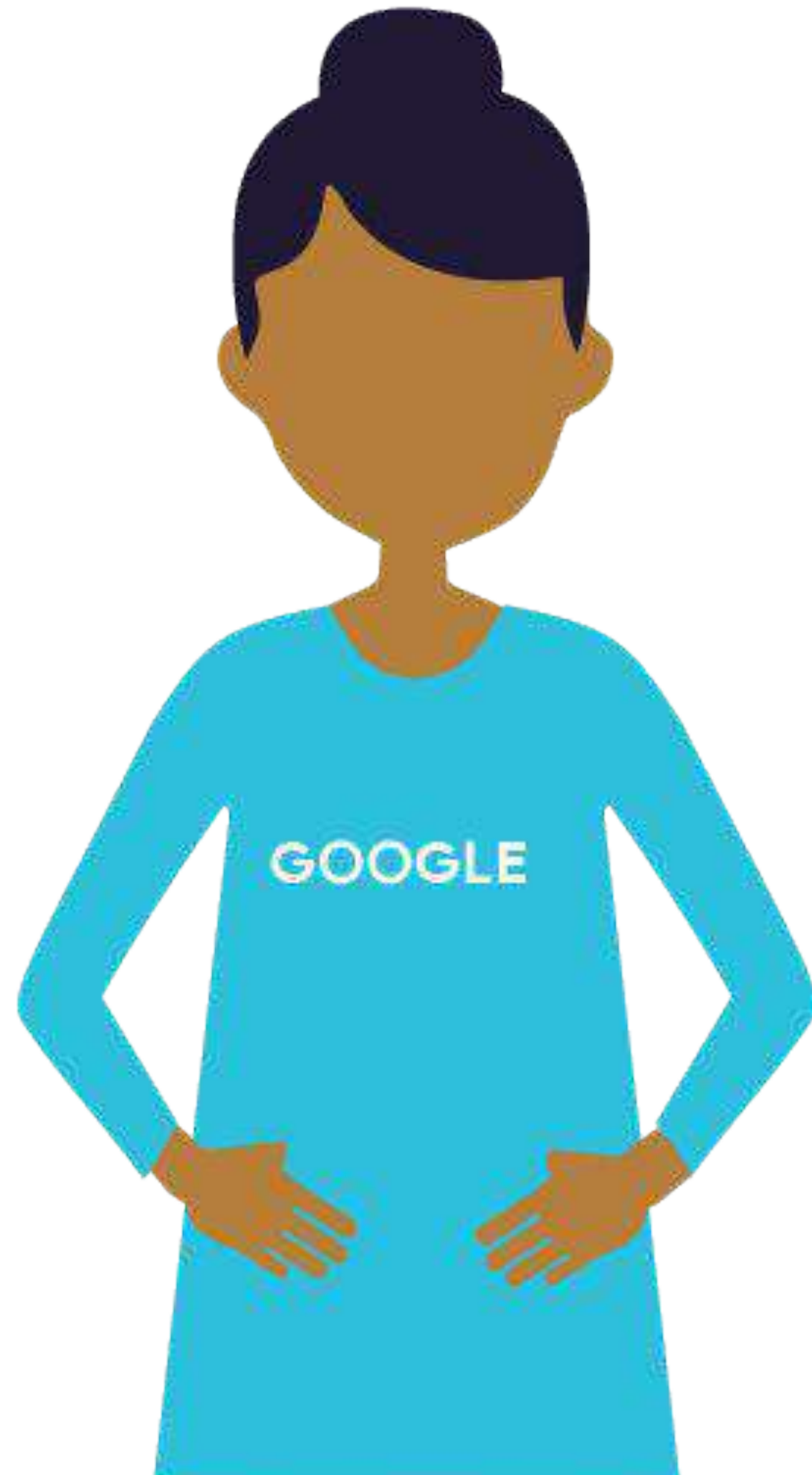




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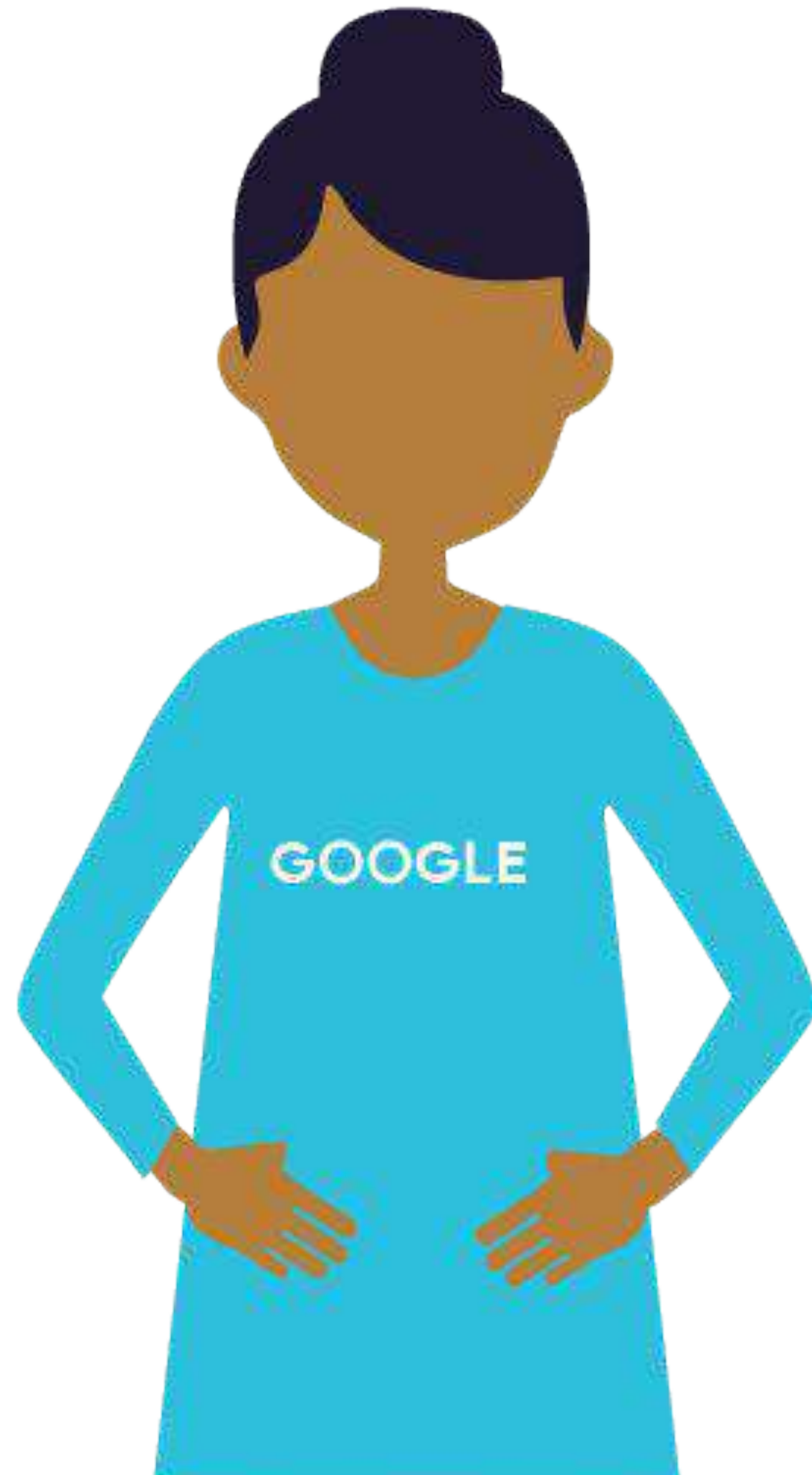




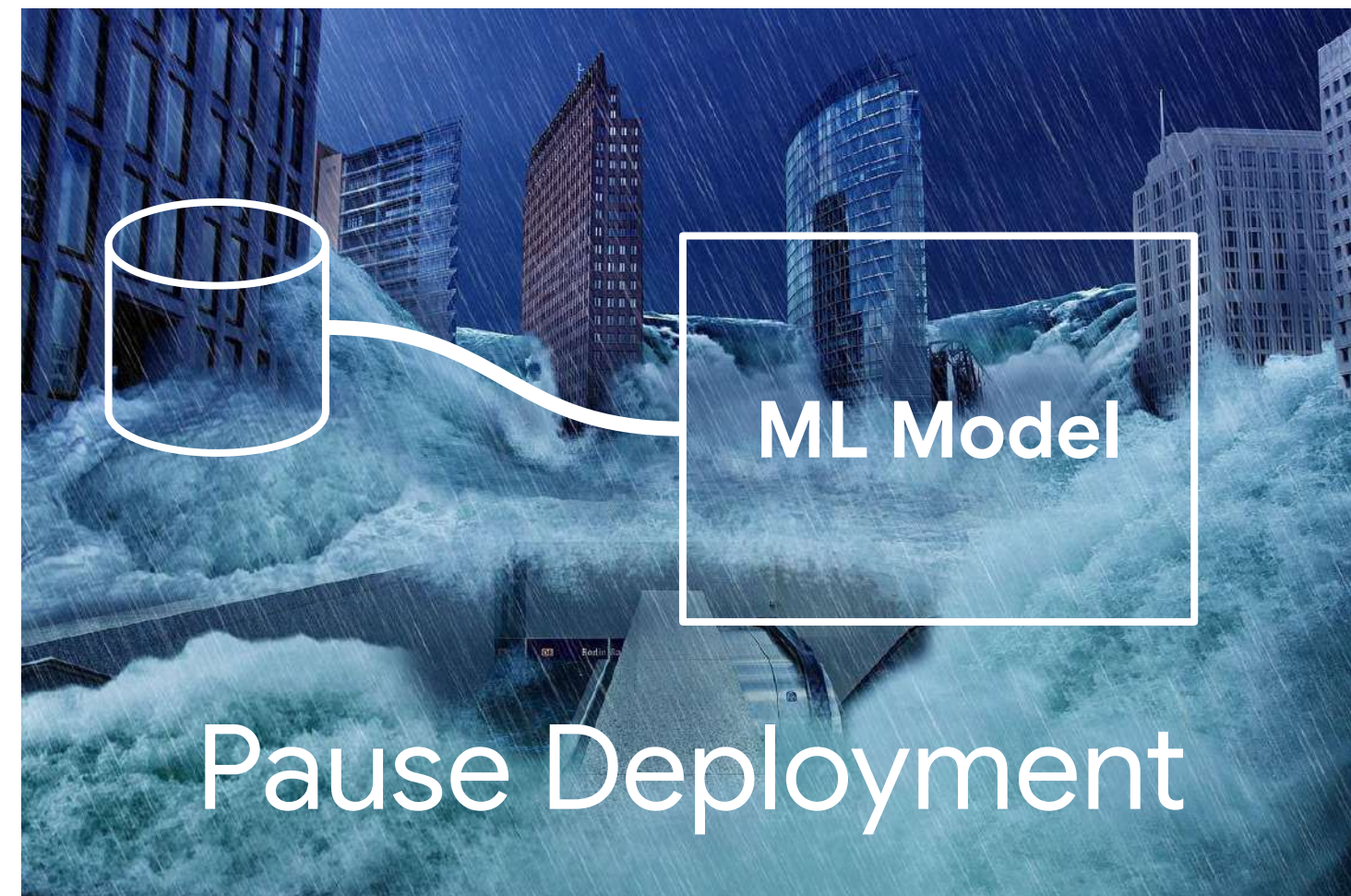
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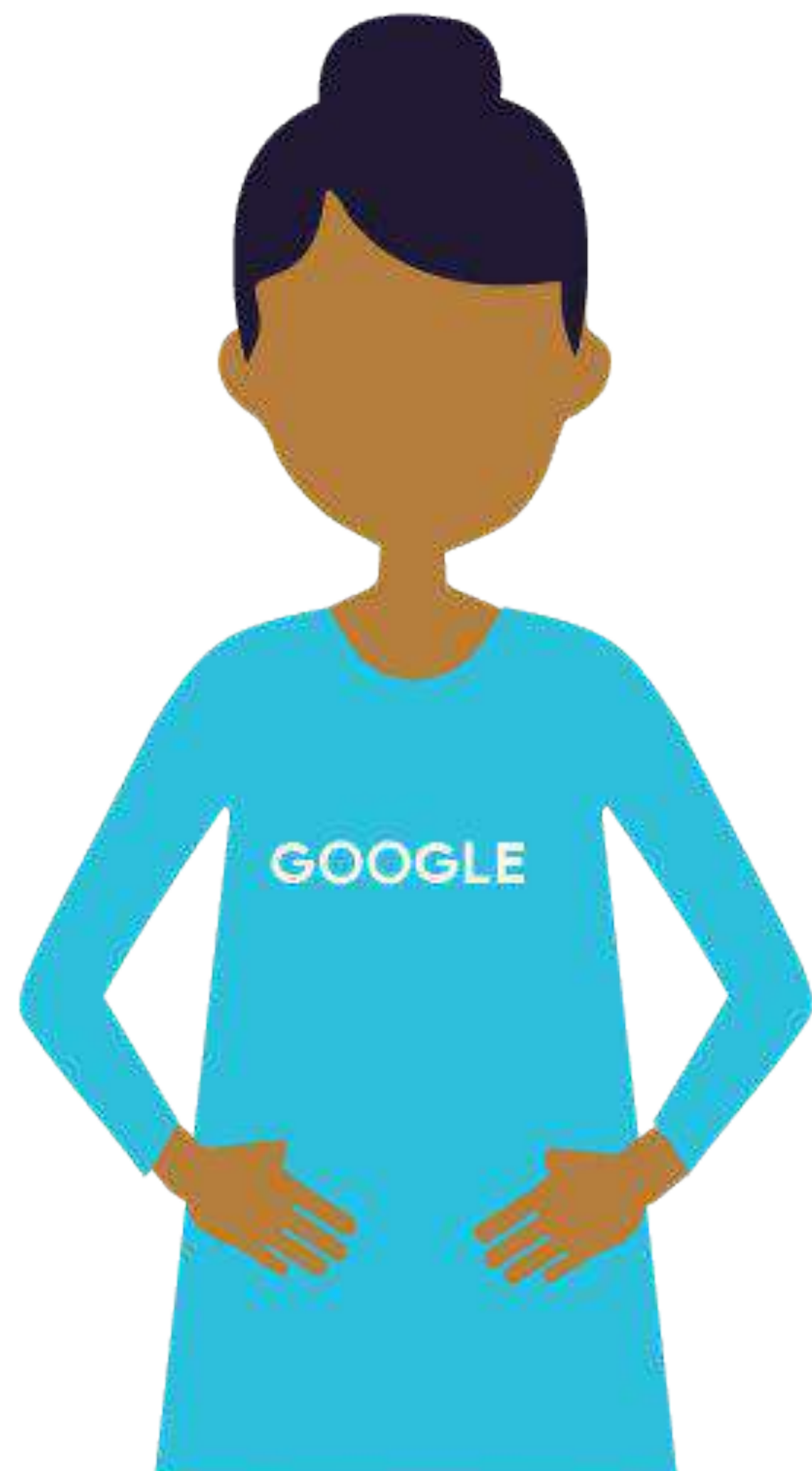
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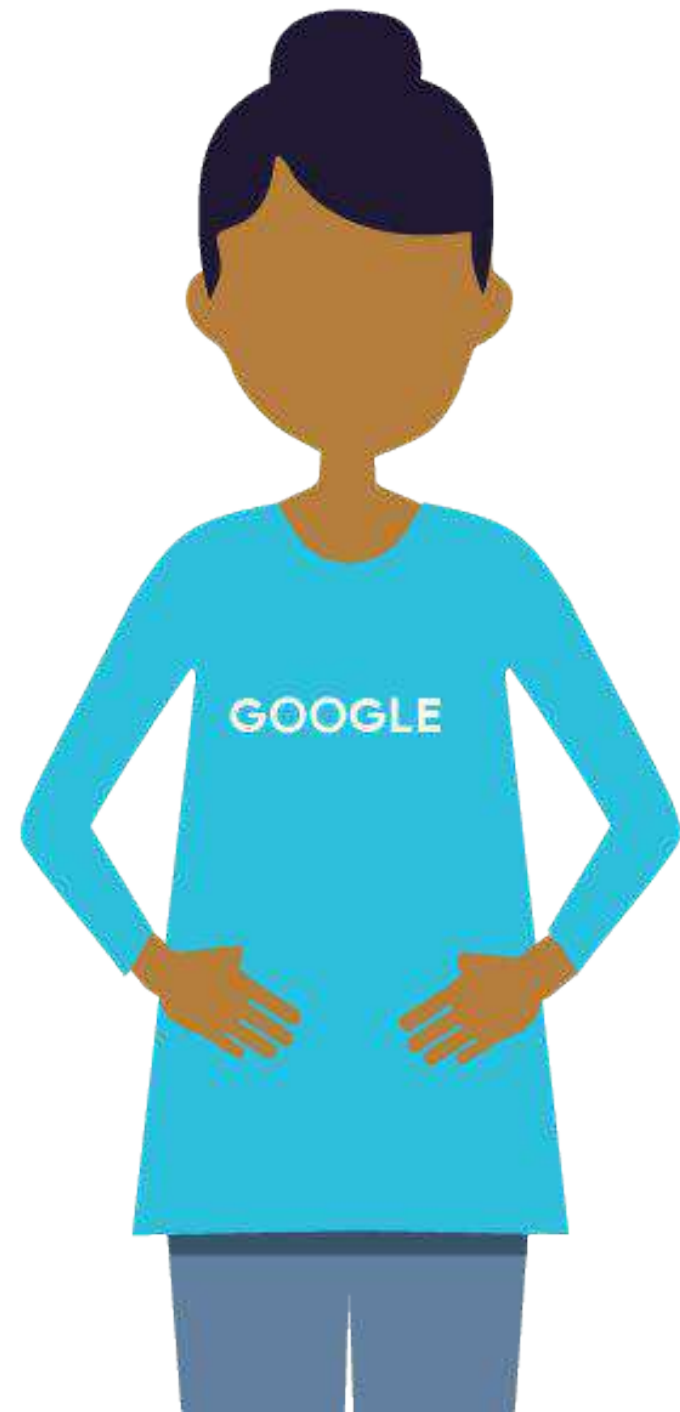
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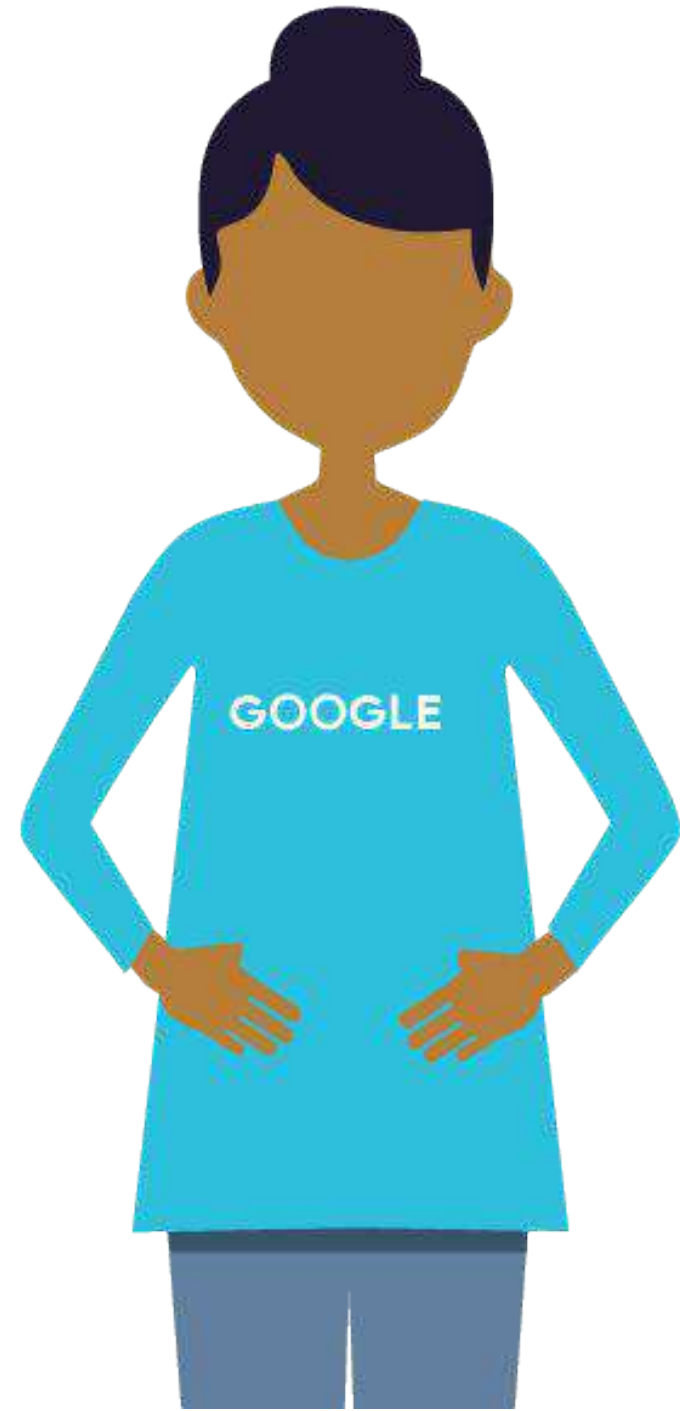
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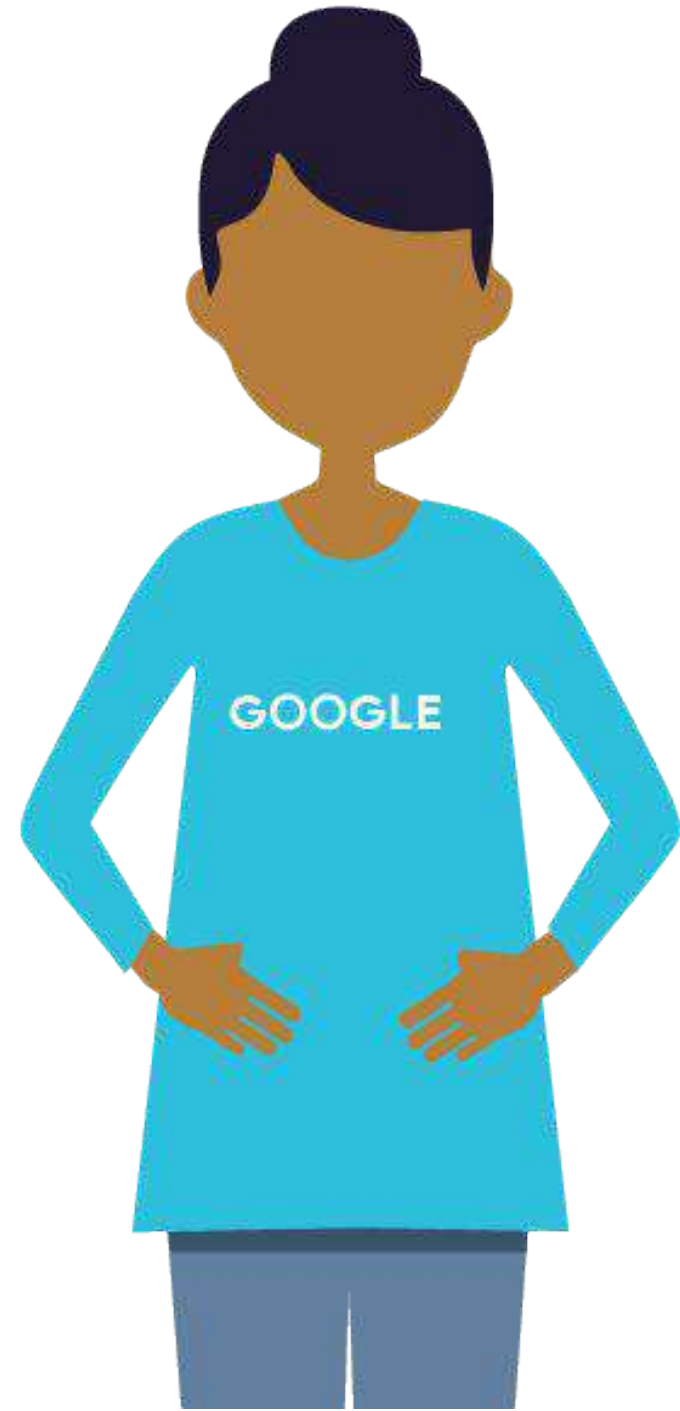
# Keep humans in the loop





Prioritize maintainability





Get ready to roll back

