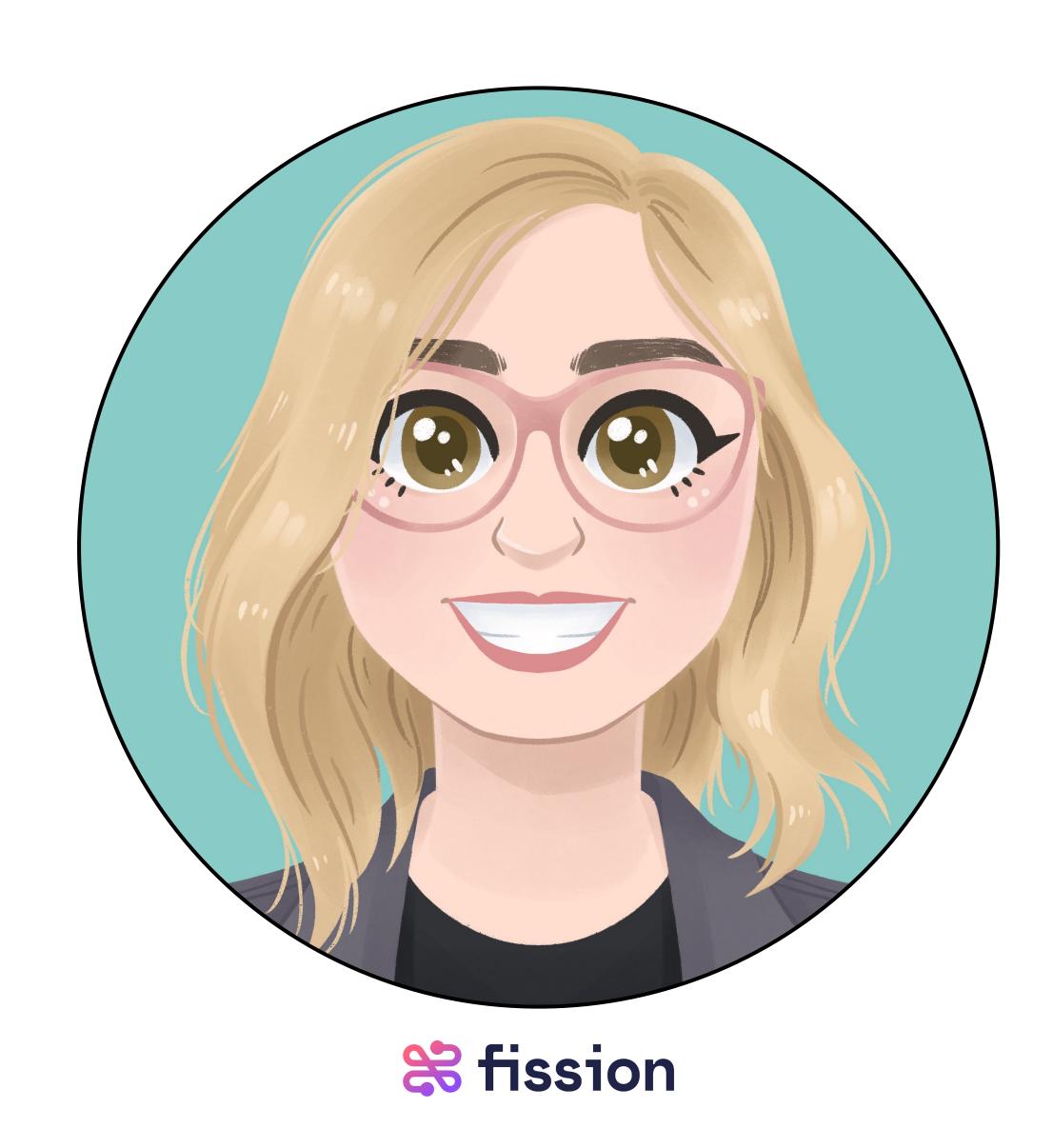
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SUBSTRATE

FULL STACK WEB APPS WITHOUT A BACKEND... AND MORE

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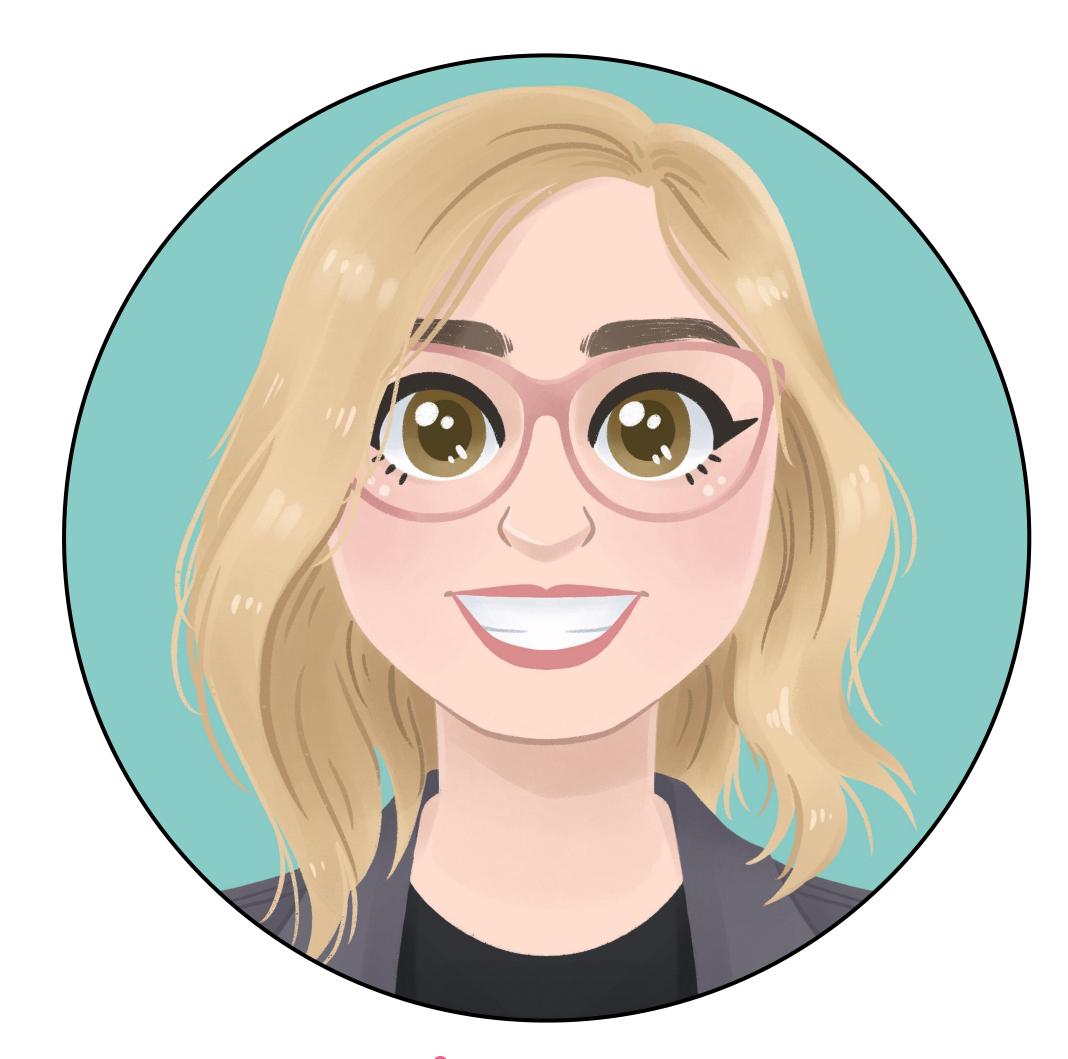
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- Cofounder/CTO at Fission https://fission.codes
- Functional Programming
 - Founder of the Vancouver FP meetup
 - Mainly known in FP-land for Witchcraft
 - Fission is very much informed by FP mindset
 - Universality, orthogonality, properties, &c
- PLT, VMs, Distributed Systems
- Previously an Ethereum Core Dev
- Spending a lot of time with IPFS, ECC, CRDTs, & Bloom Clocks





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- Global file system
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- Portable compute

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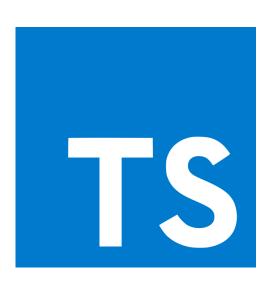


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- Server Haskell (servant-server)
- CLI Haskell (servant-client)
- Fission Drive (web file explorer) Elm
- Browser-based Authorization Elm
- Browser SDK TypeScript
- IPFS Responsive Image Resizer Rust (native & wasm)













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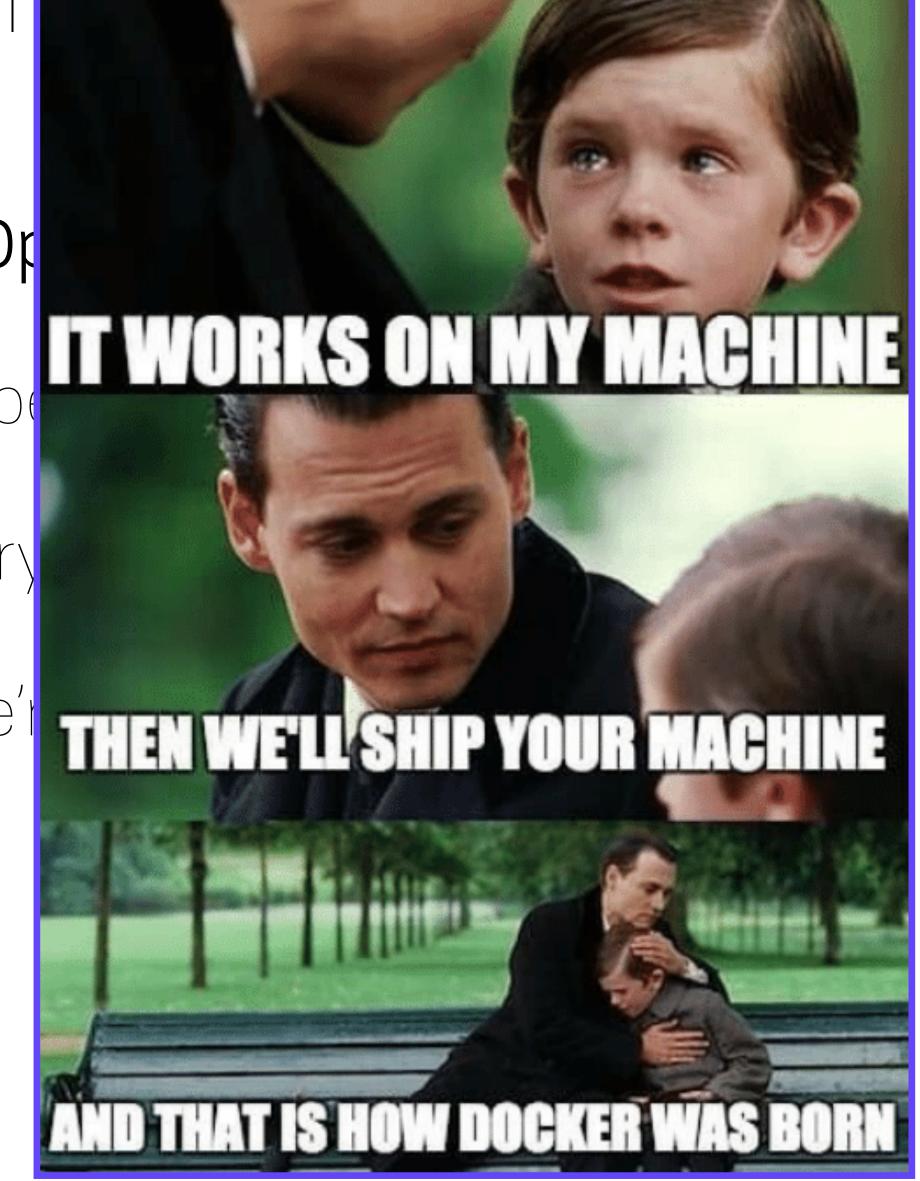
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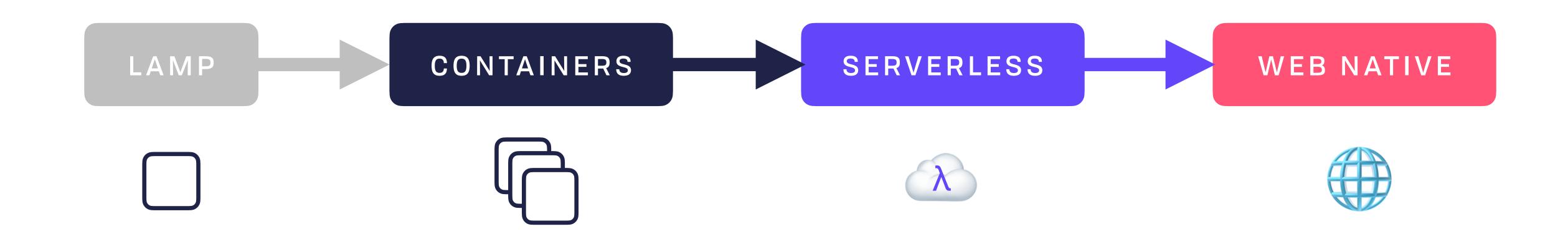
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FRONTEND IS EATING THE BACKEND 😂 😳

- · Frontend is never going away
- · Browsers keep getting *more powerful* (e.g. WebAssembly, WebAuthN, WebCrypto)
- · Trend to more granular/edge (Cloudflare Workers or Fastly Edge Cloud)
- · Empower front end devs / full stack web apps for the 20's and beyond 🚀



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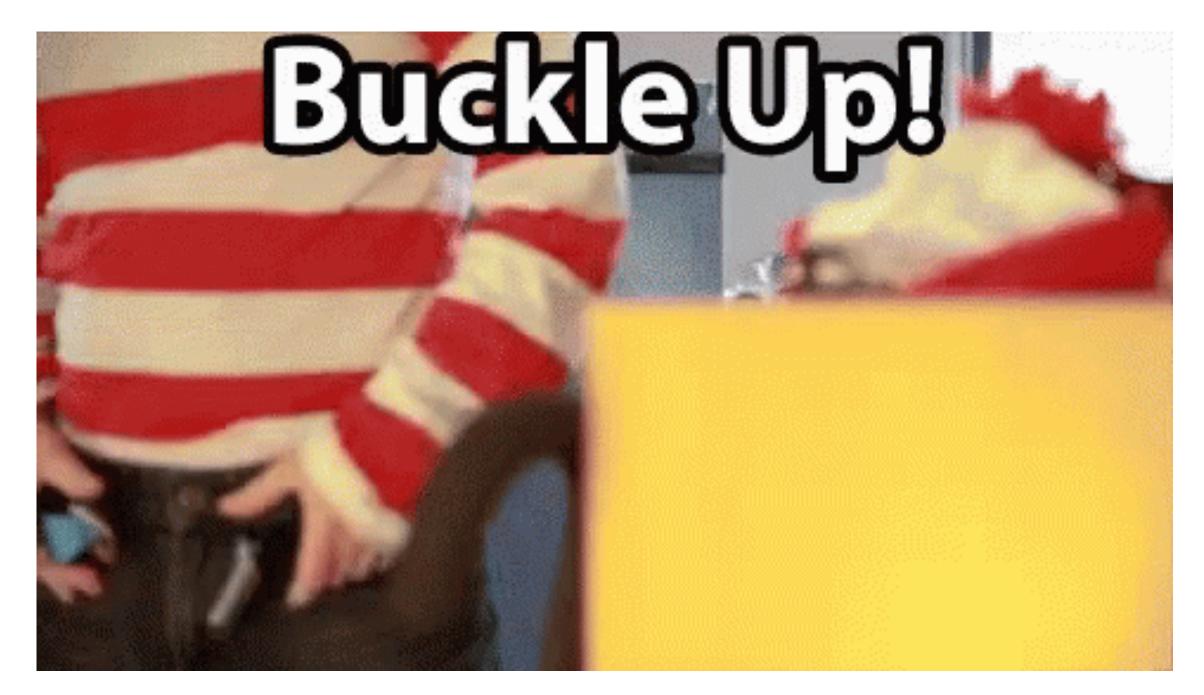
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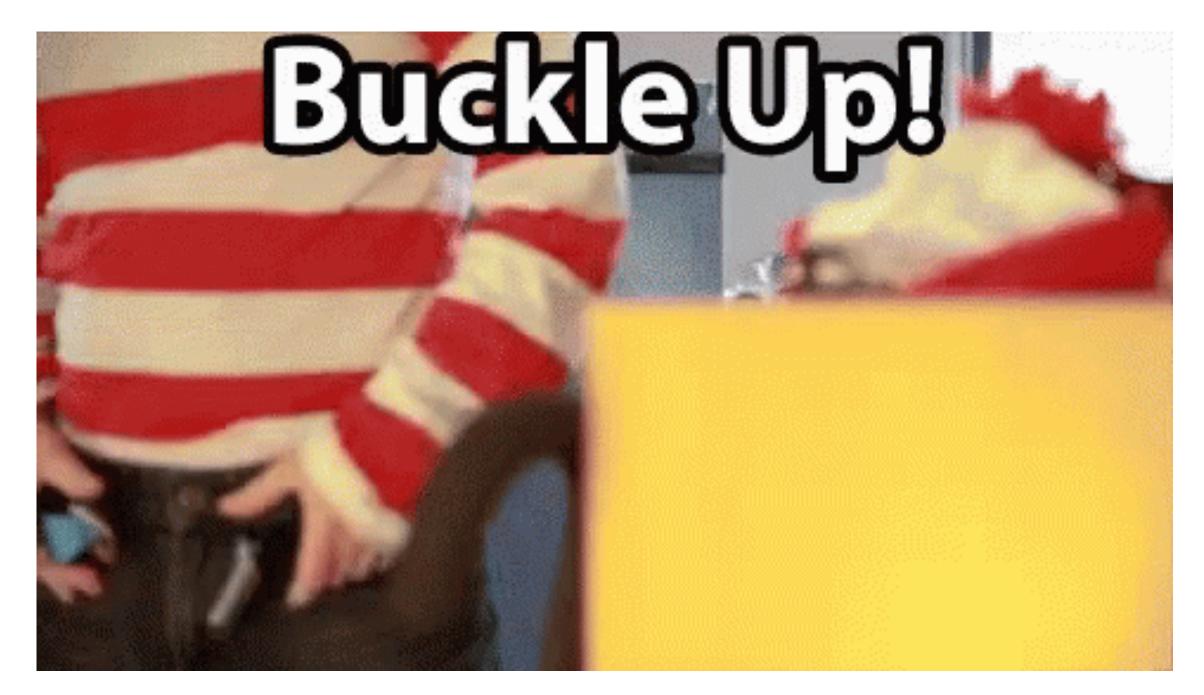


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	iOS	+ R fission	
COMPUTE		WA JS	Build web apps more like native mobile & desktop
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STORAGE			Local-first, secure, user controlled, global file & hosting platform

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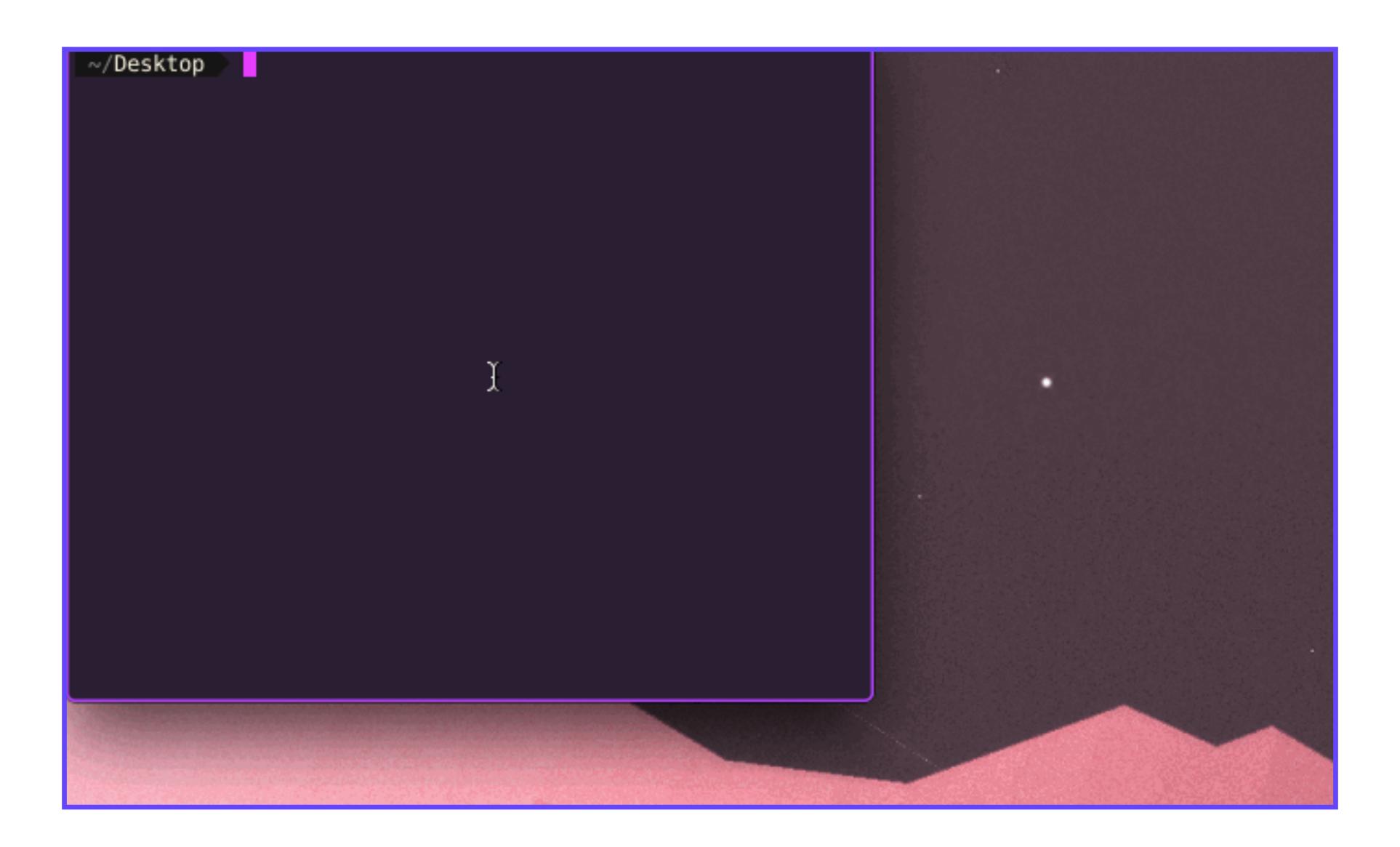
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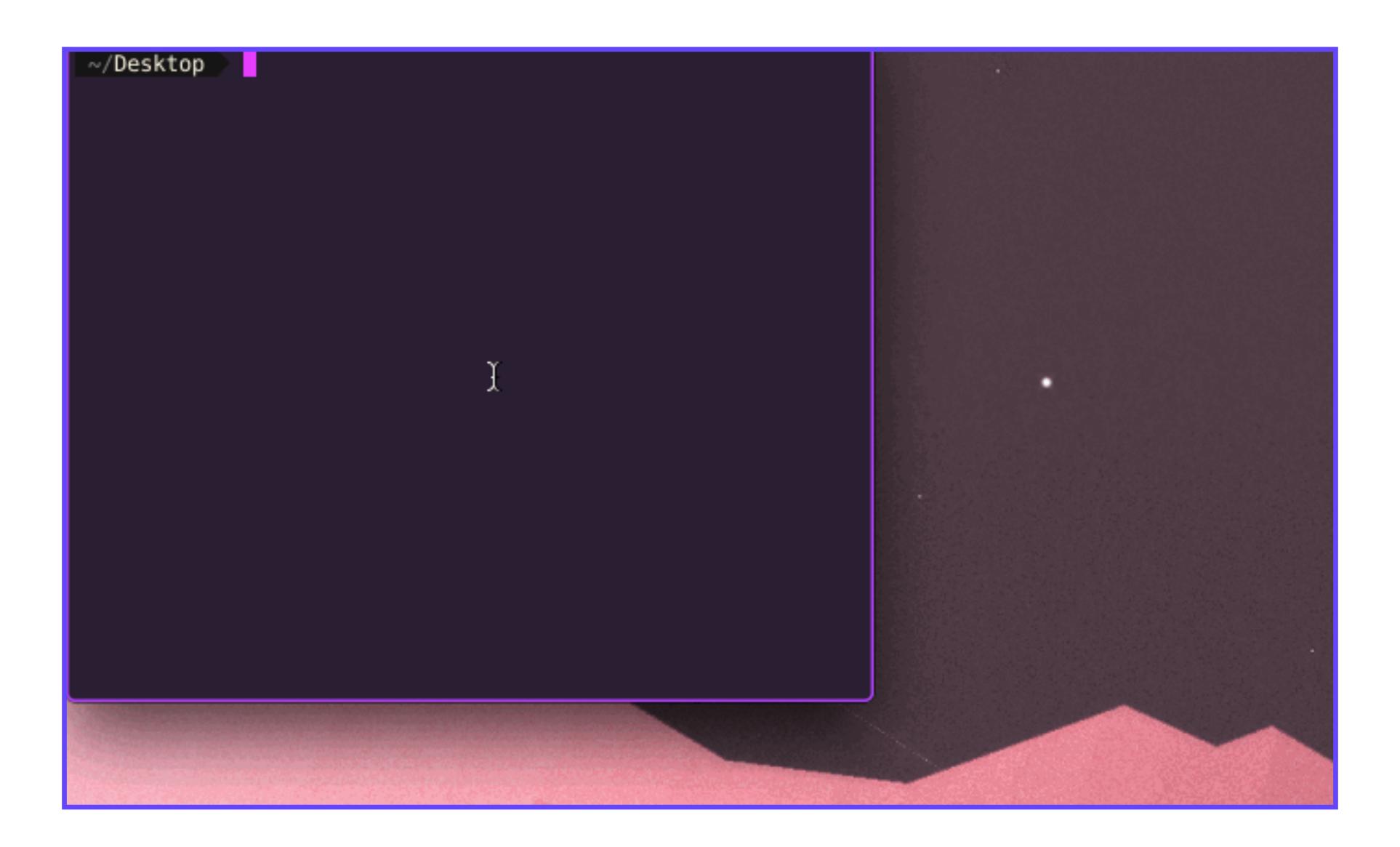
- Go from zero to production on a plane 💸
- Move data to compute and vice versa
- Scale sub-linearly
- Serve areas that lack sufficient cloud hardware
- · Anyone can be a service provider (lower bar to entry)

MEET THE INTERPLANETARY FILE SYSTEM 👋









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 - Why no loops?

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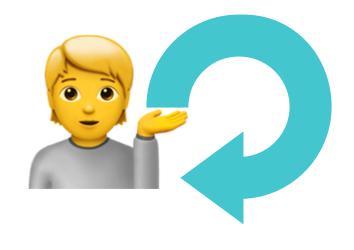
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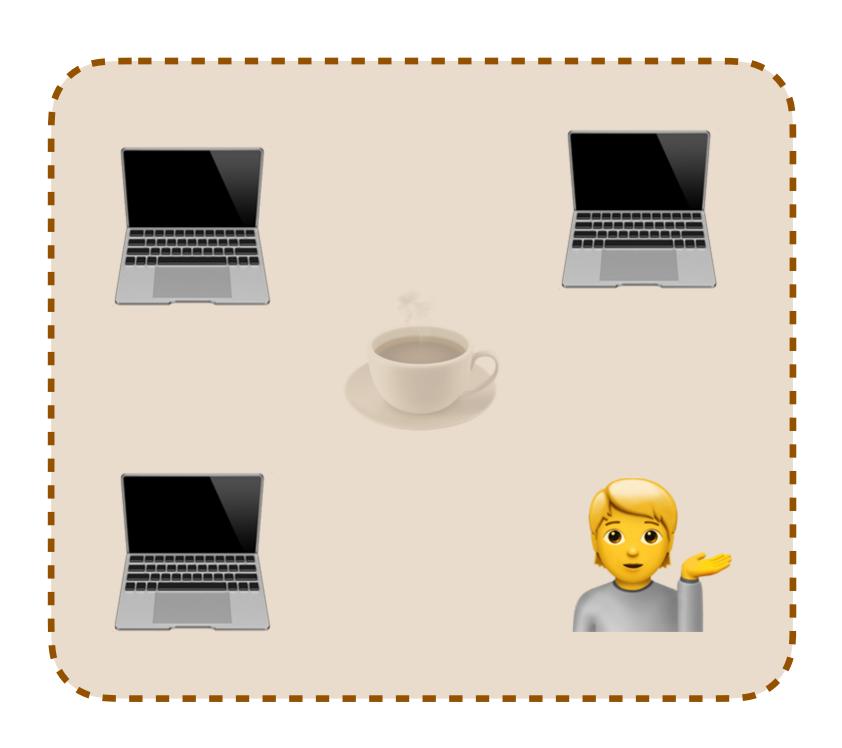
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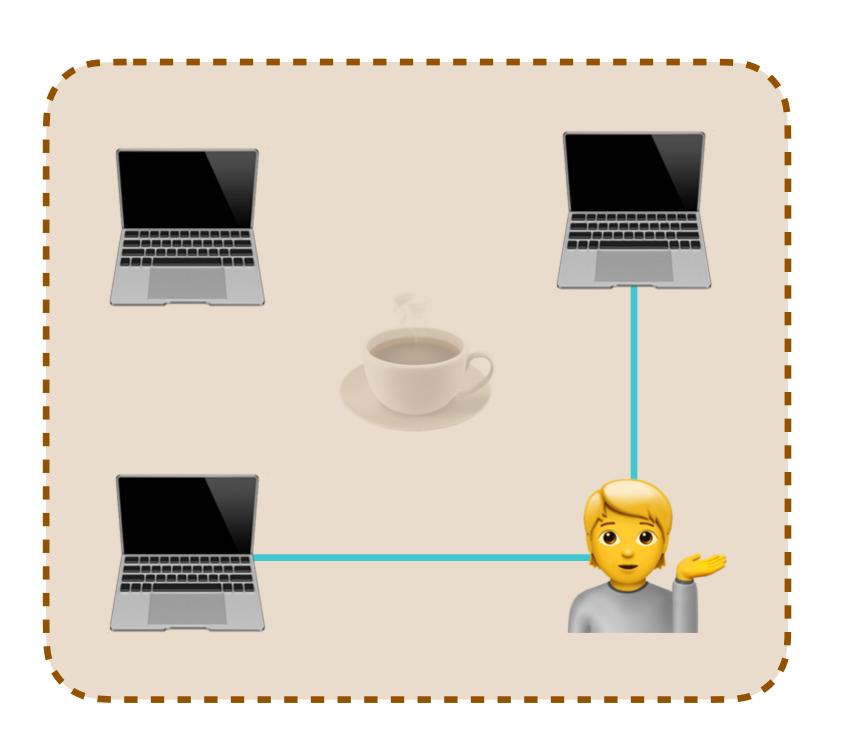




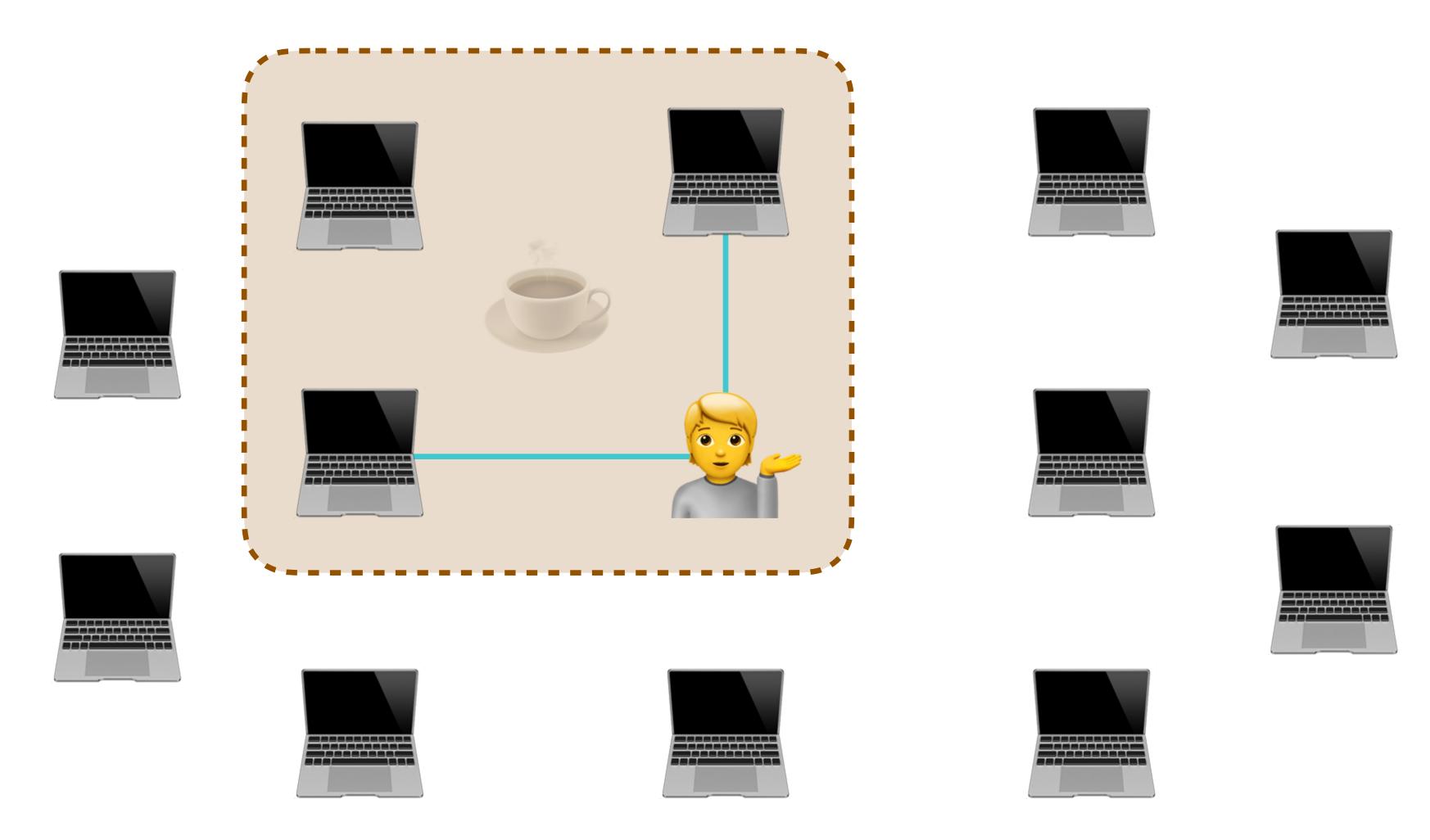




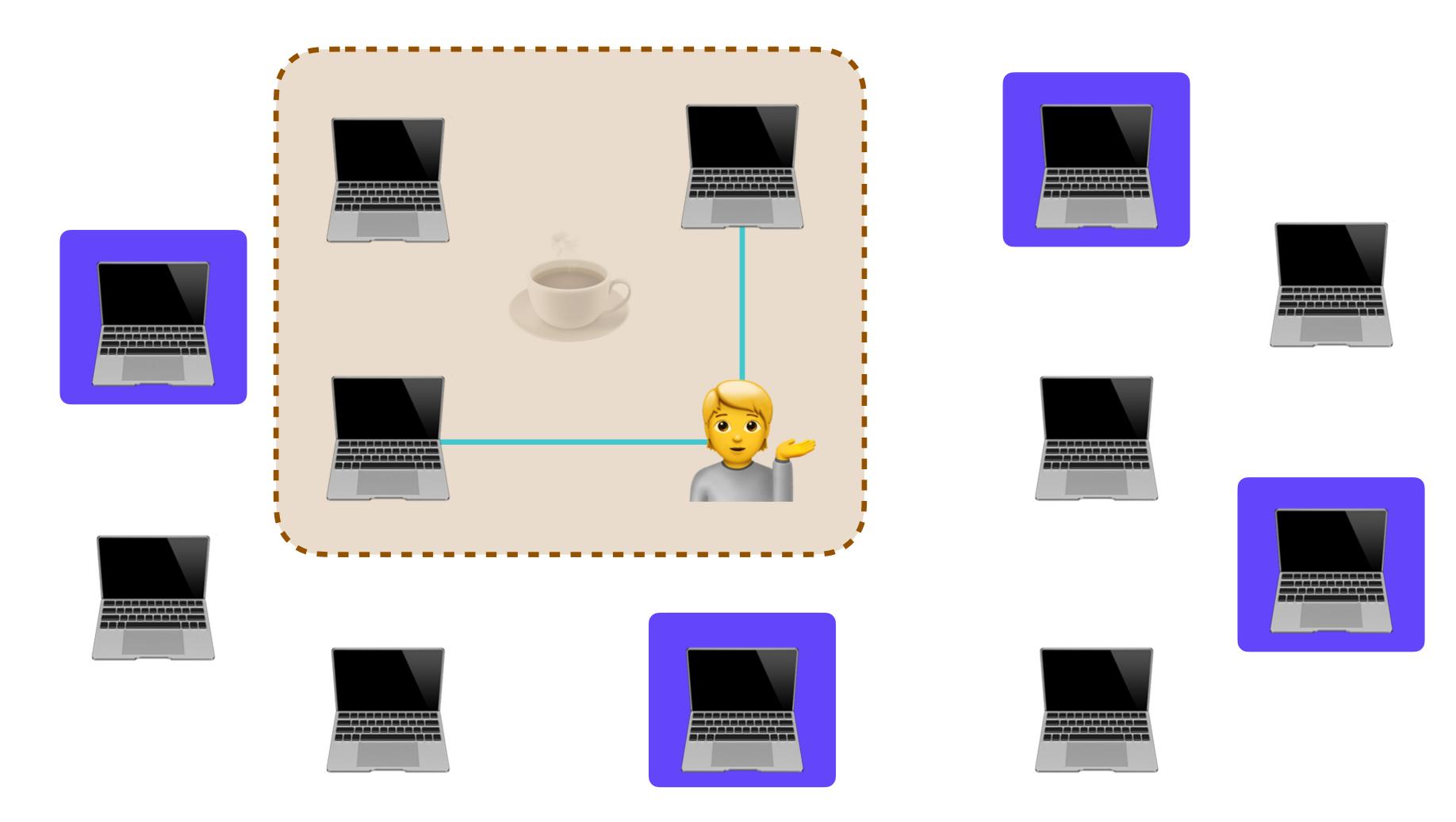


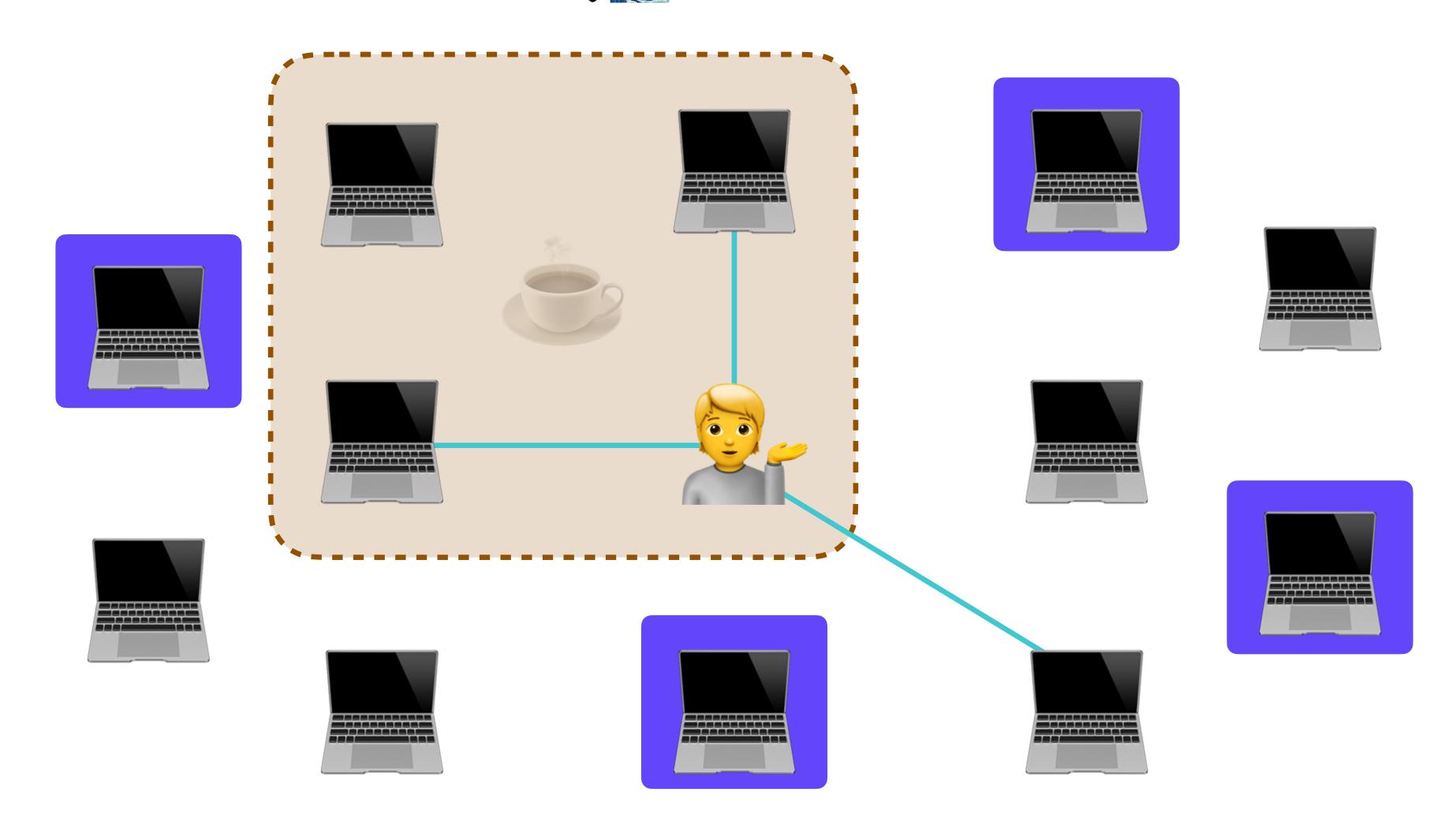


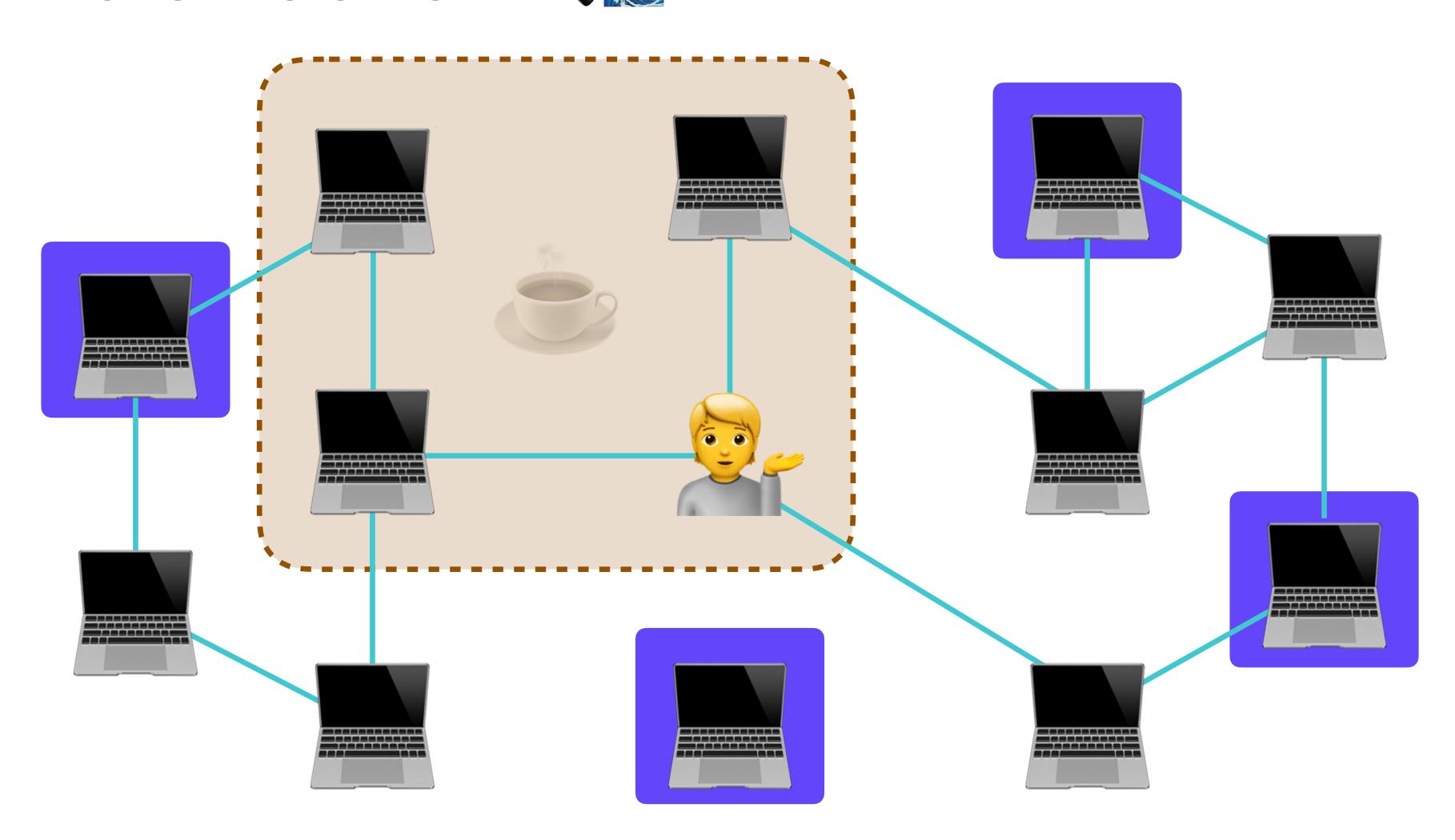














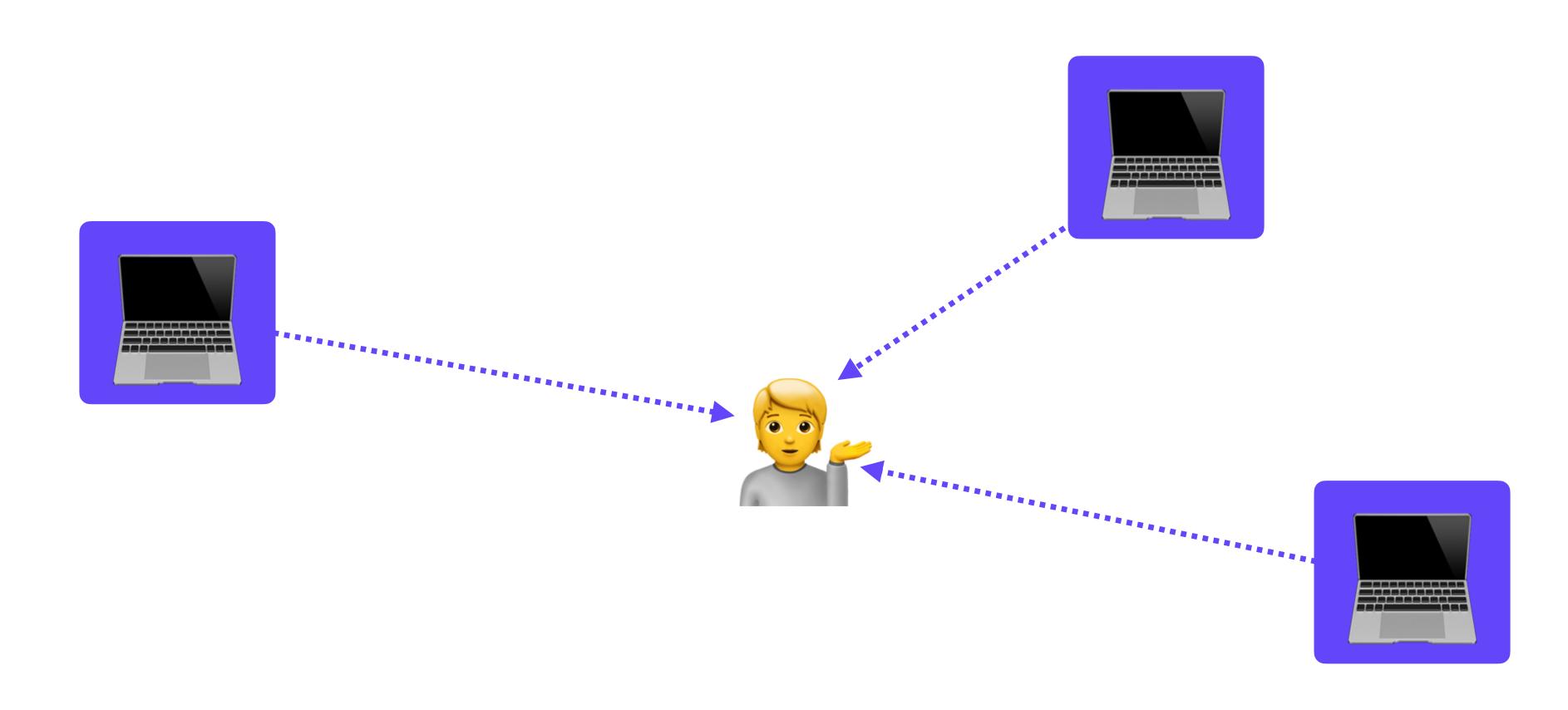












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- Same file = same hash
 - No matter when
 - No matter where

- Zero file duplication per node
- Replication = CDN-ish features
- Immutable data structures
- Structural sharing = dedup blocks
- Files & data living together!
- · Automerge, OrbitDB, &c

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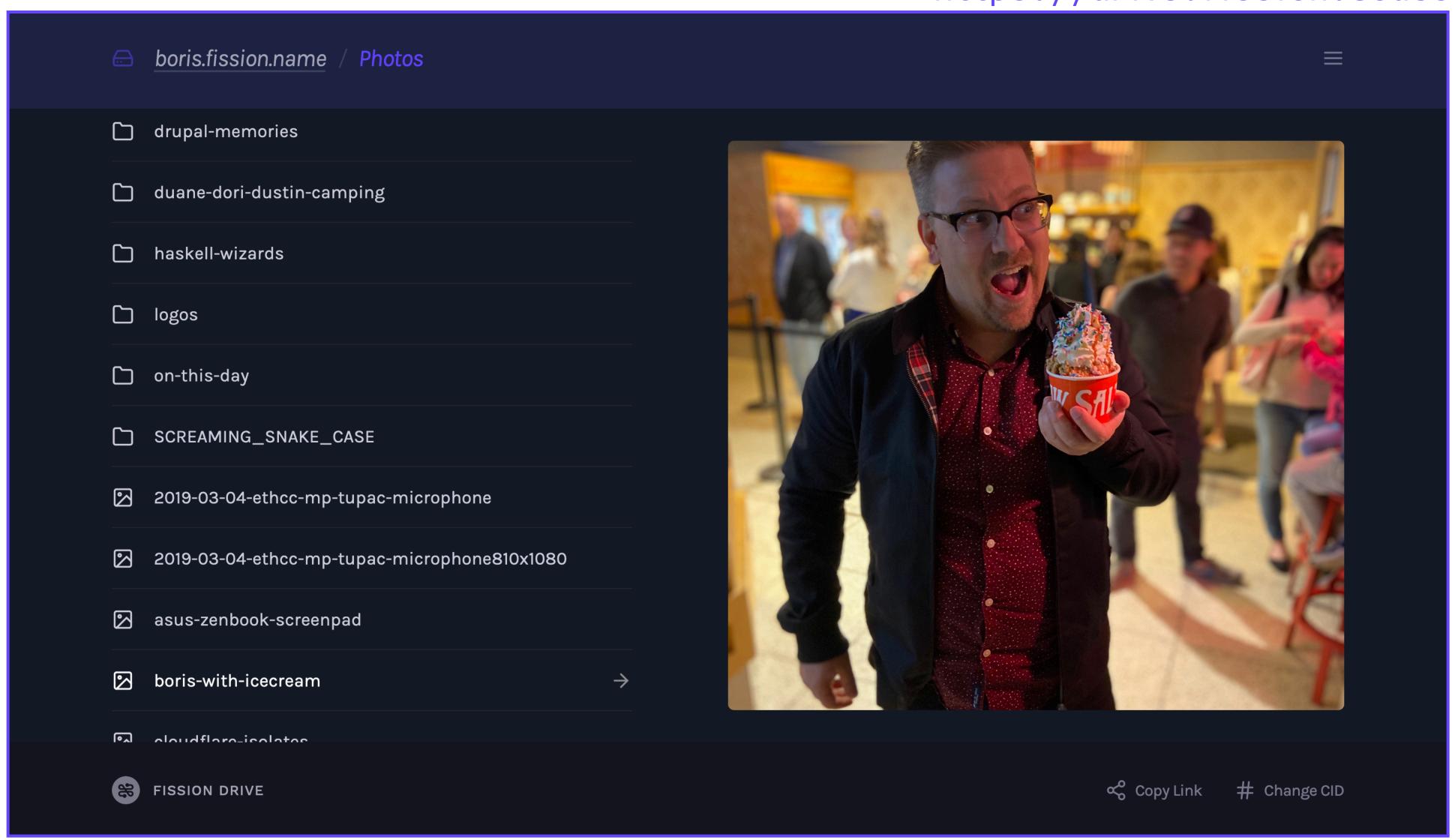
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DRIVE — "FULLY USER CONTROLLED DROPBOX"

https://drive.fission.codes



PCLIENT-SIDE AUTHN & AUTHZ



STEP ONE USER IDS WITHOUT A DATABASE

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- W3C, Microsoft, BC, etc
- For users, devices, and more
- Based on public-key cryptography
- Truly "universal" UUIDs
- Agnostic about backing

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EXAMPLE 2: Minimal self-managed DID Document
  "@context": "https://w3id.org/did/v1",
  "id": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi",
  "publicKey": [{
    "id": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi#keys-1",
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    "owner": "did:example:123456789abcdefghi",
    "publicKeyPem": "----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY...END PUBLIC KEY----\r\n"
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  "authentication": [{
    // this key can be used to authenticate as DID ...9938
    "type": "RsaSignatureAuthentication2018",
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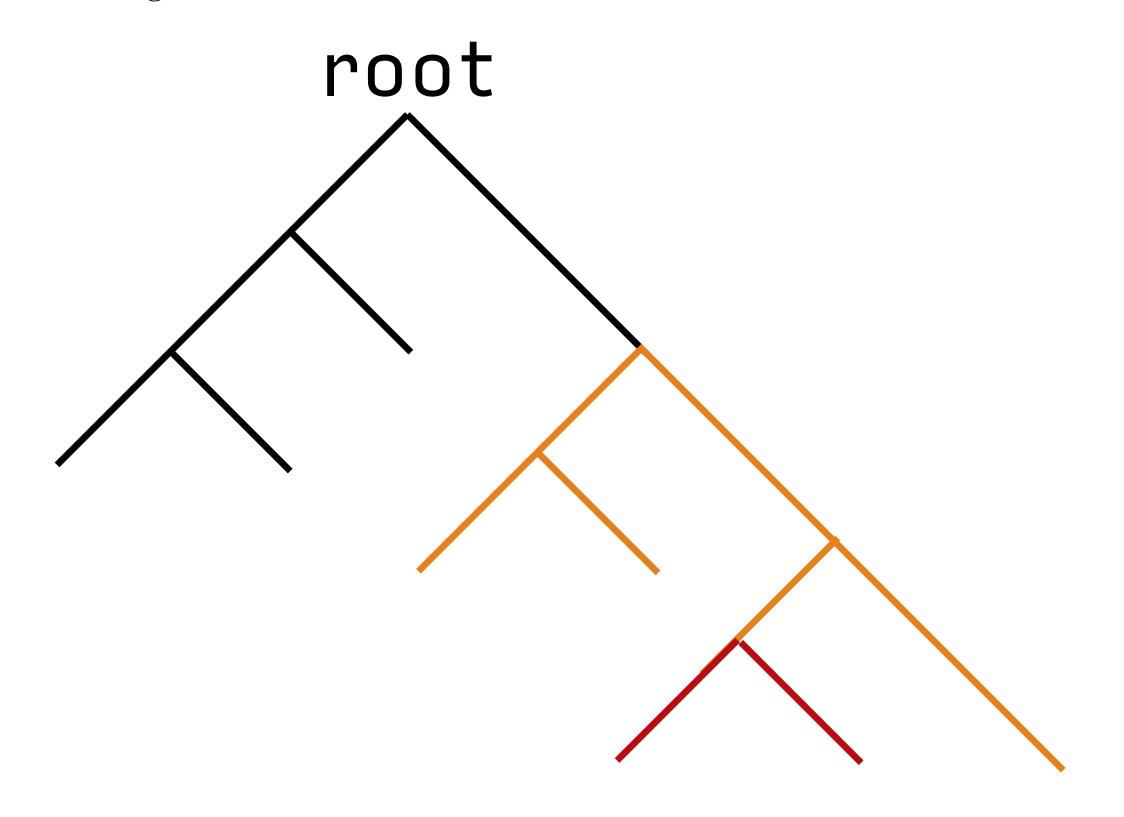
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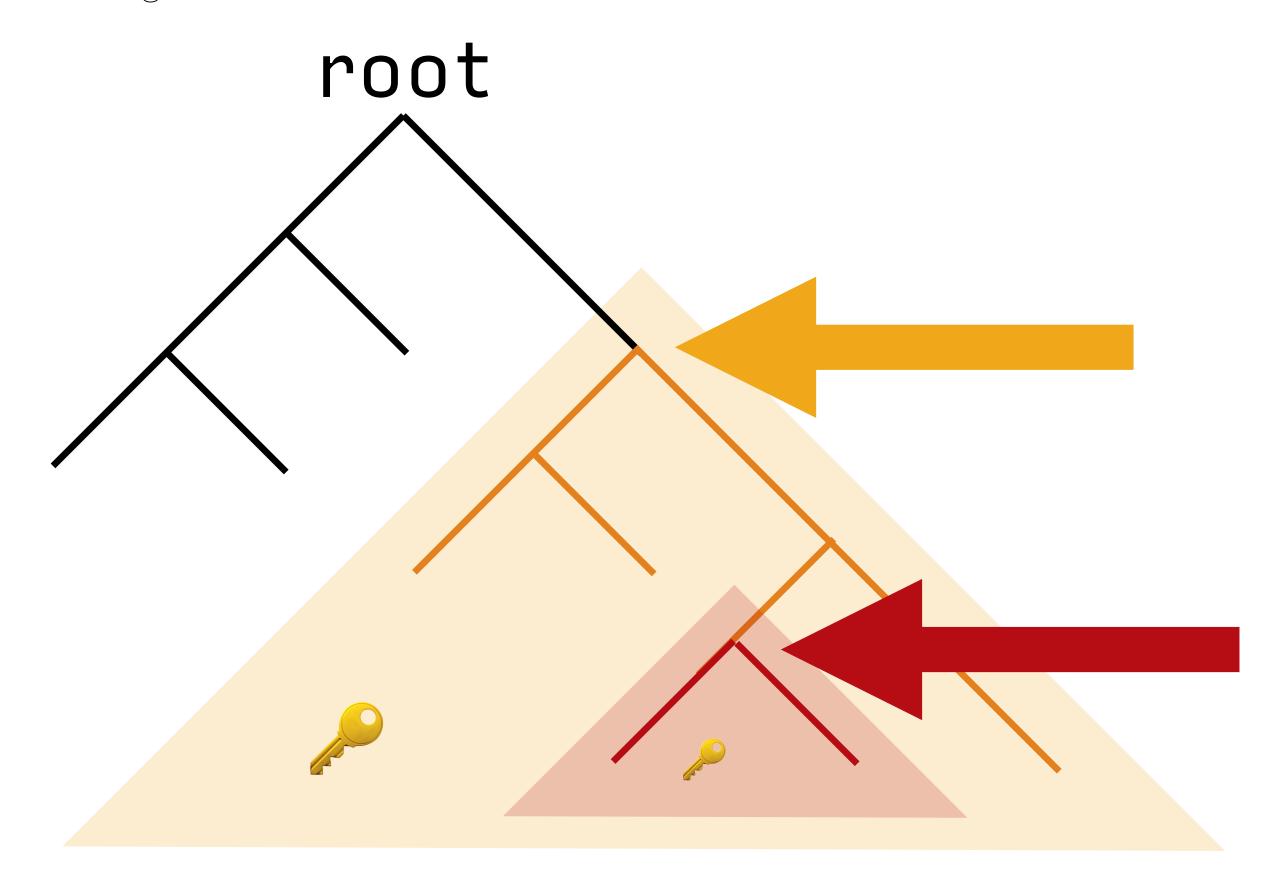
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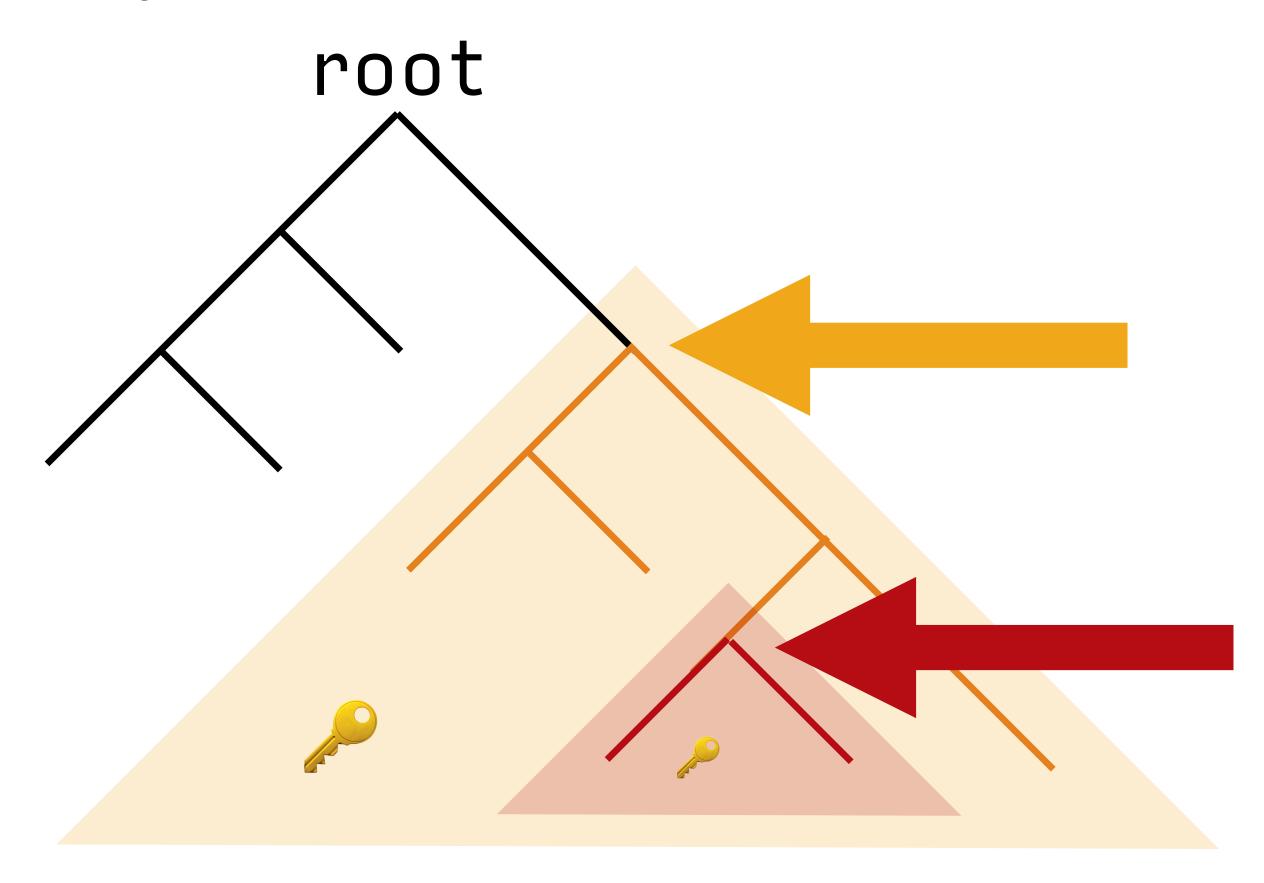
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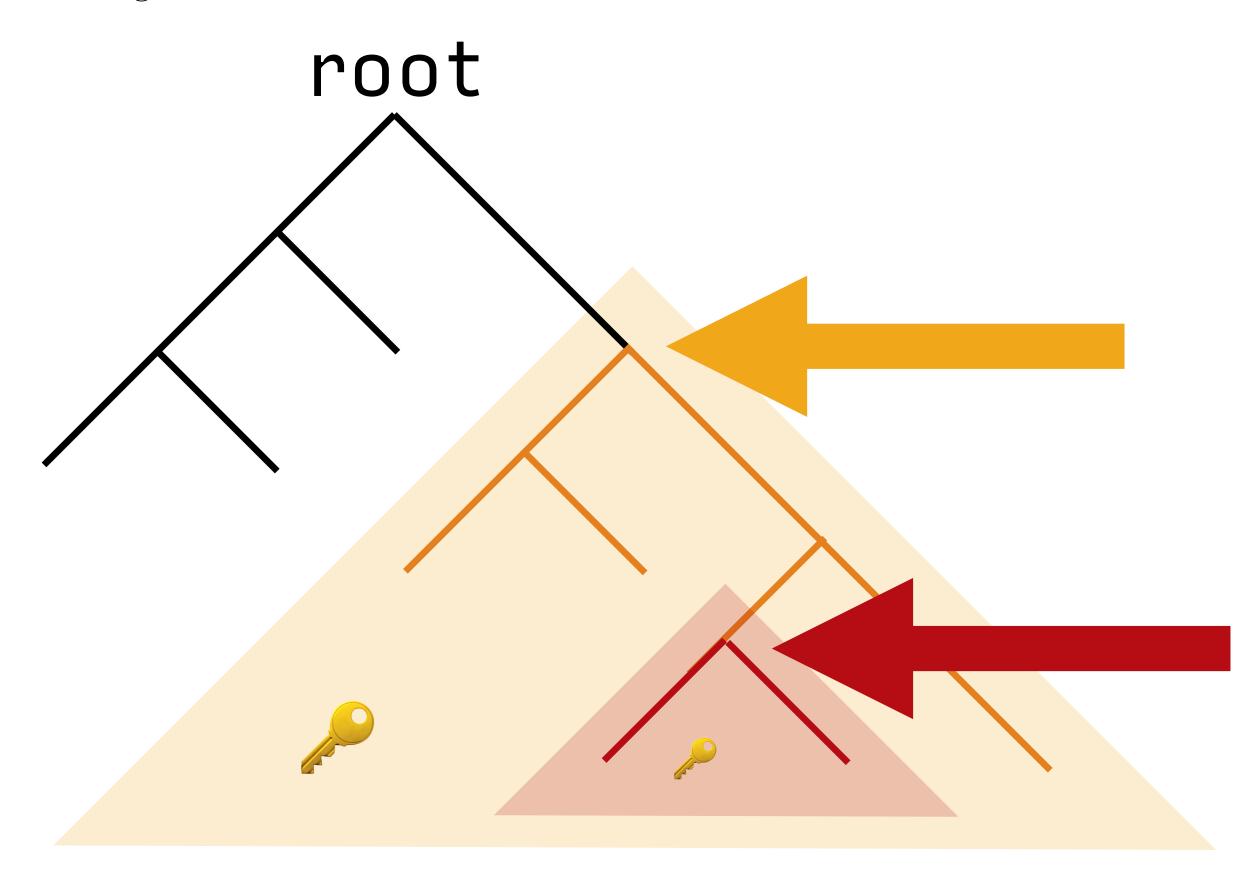
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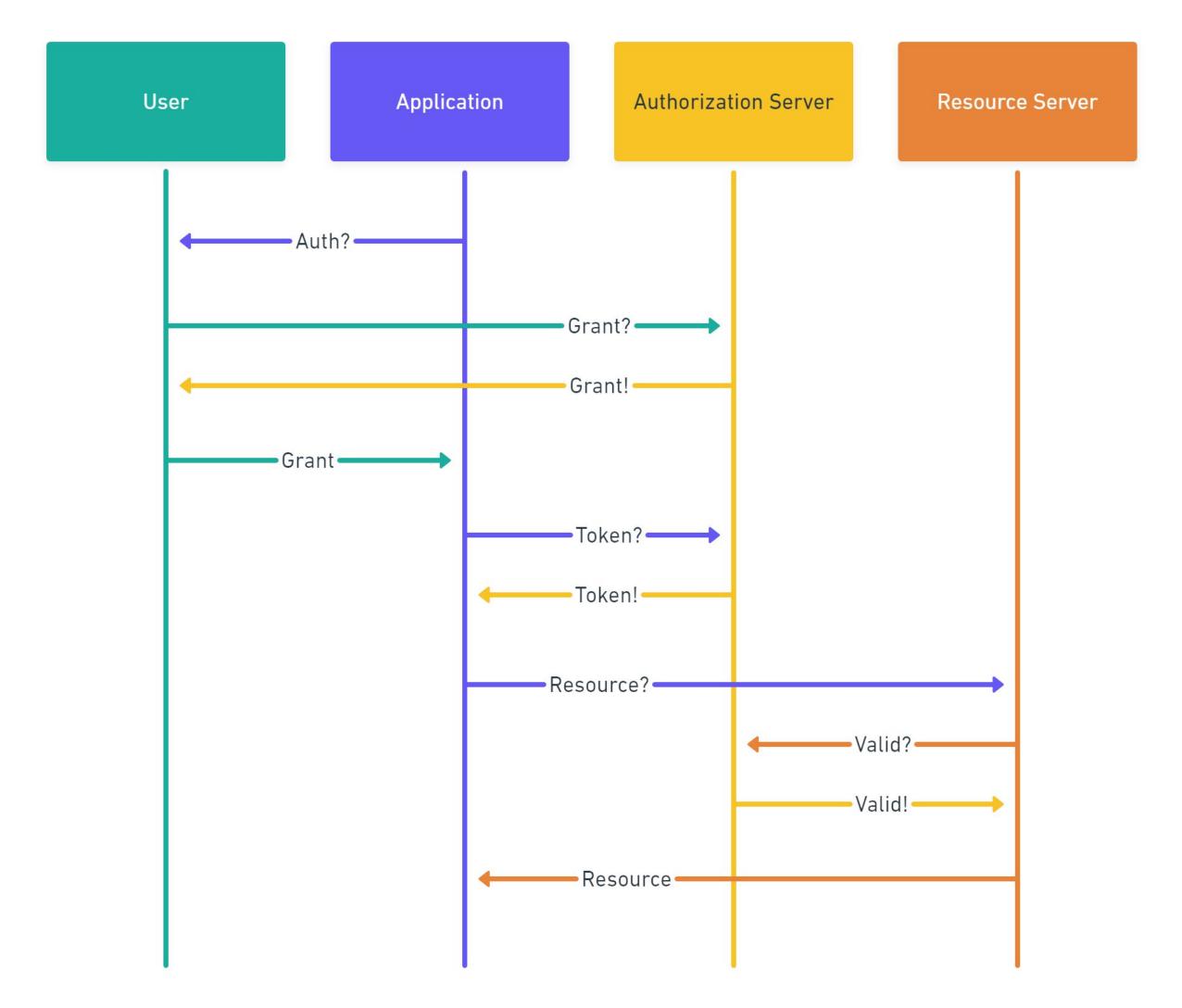
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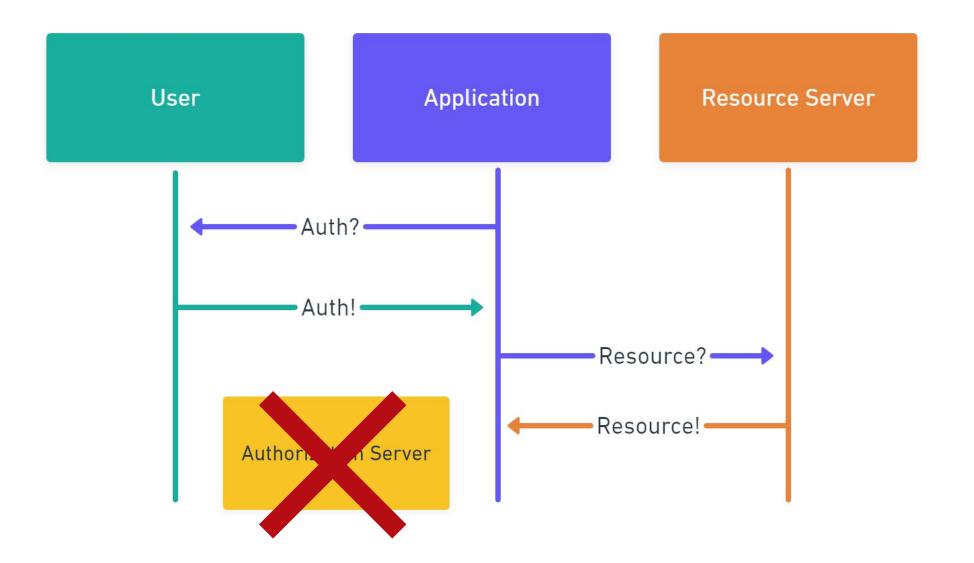
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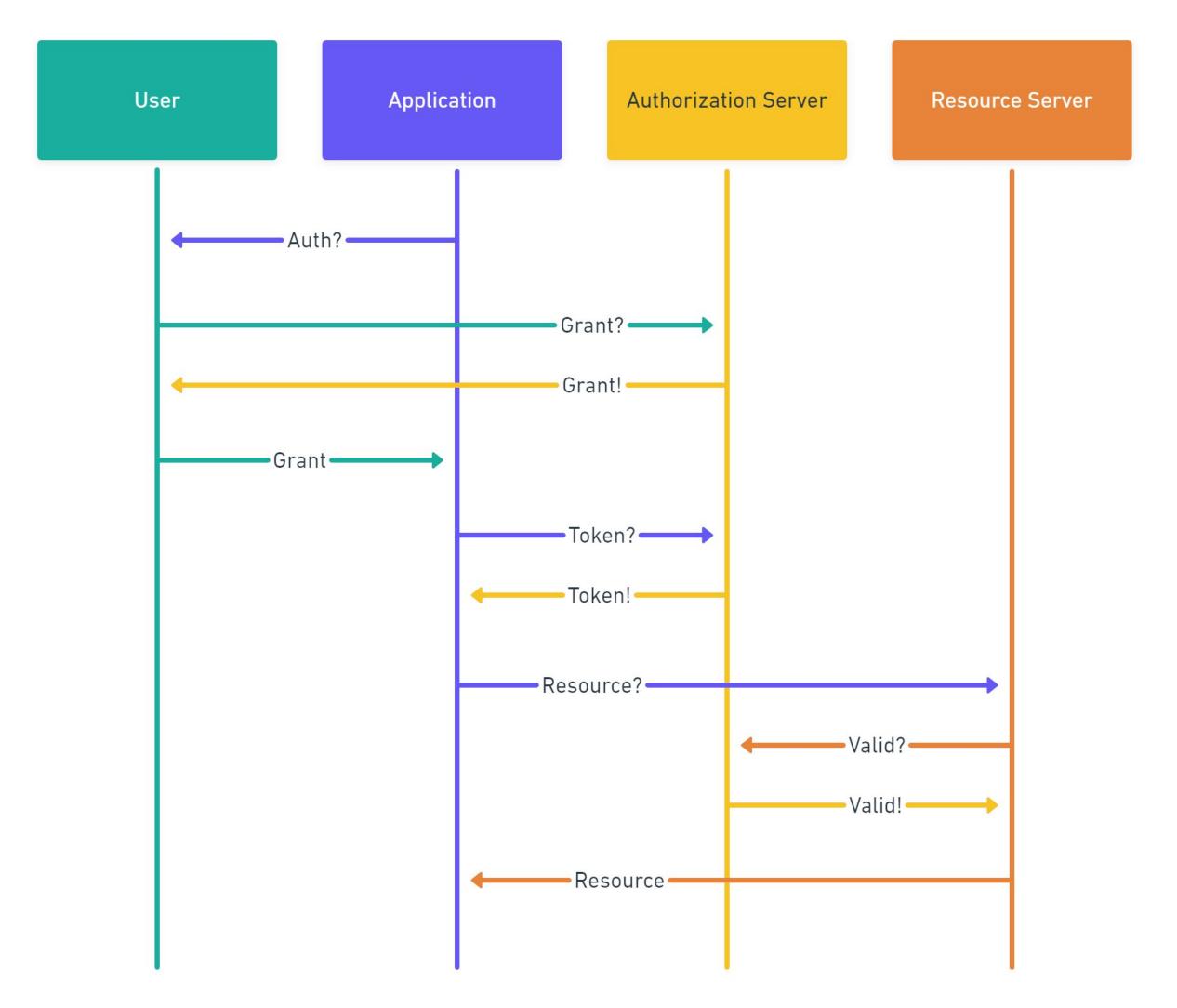
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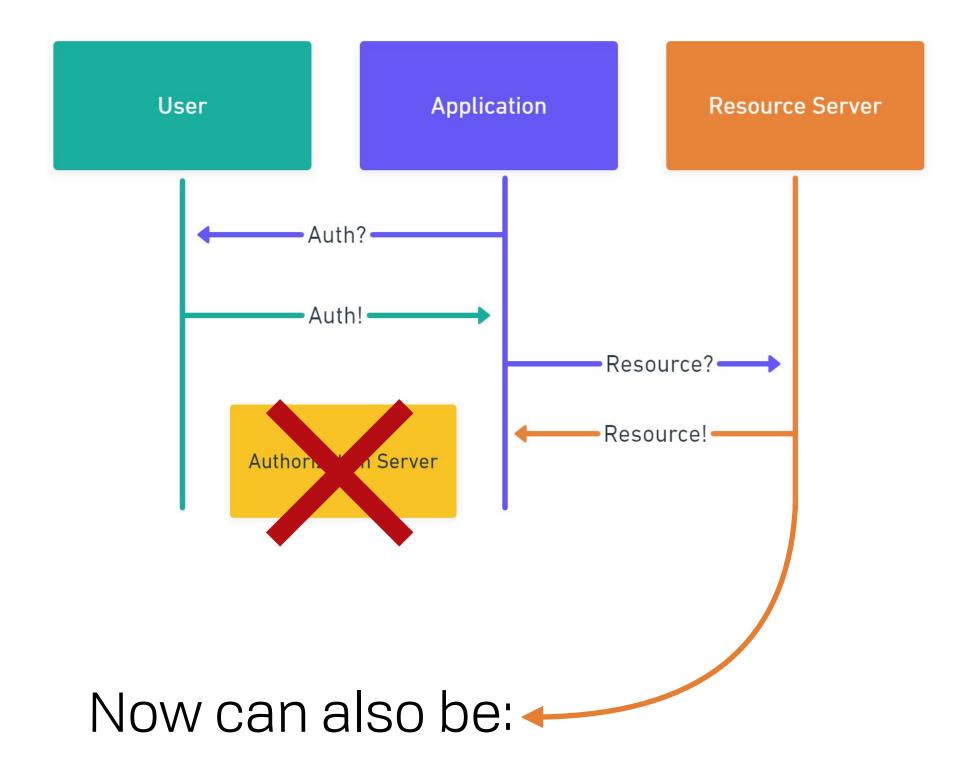
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- Another device (same human)
- A user's peer (different human)
- Some service

UCAN: USER CONTROLLED AUTHORIZATION NETWORK 🦜



Delegate 3

Delegate 2

Delegate 1

Root Proof

- Solves for user-centrism
- Decentralized delegation
- Attenuation
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- Code-as-data
- Memoization
- Compiler techniques at web scale ("world computer")
- Network latency (normally zero, now x)
- Restricted subset (e.g. total)
- Event-based w/ two-phase commit
- Trusted (incl. AWS Lambda **)

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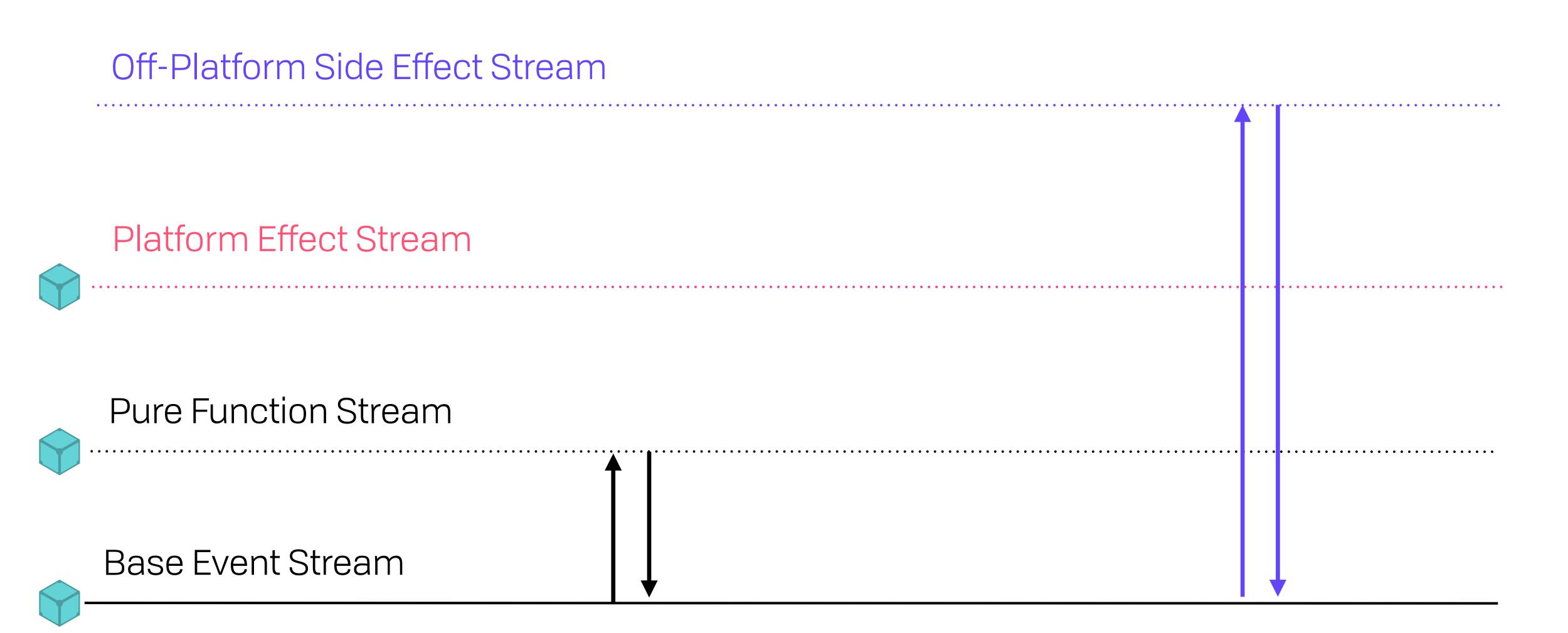


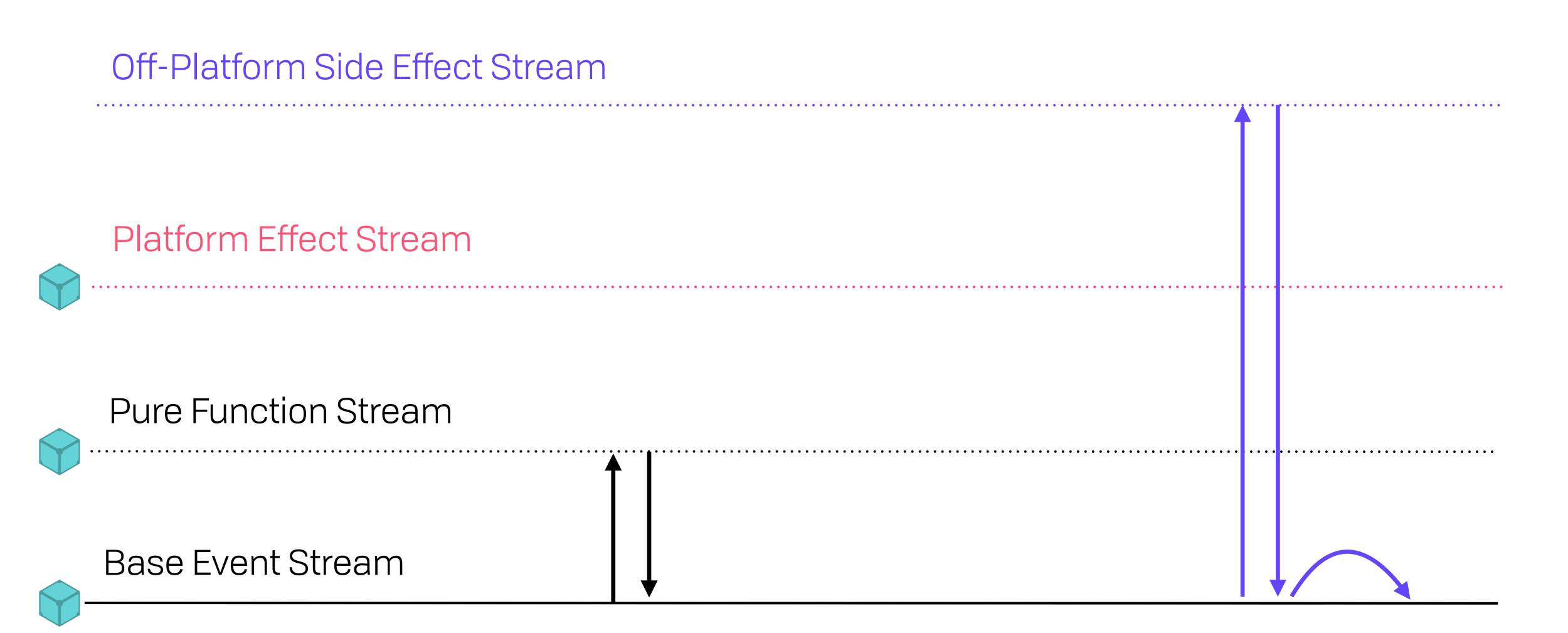
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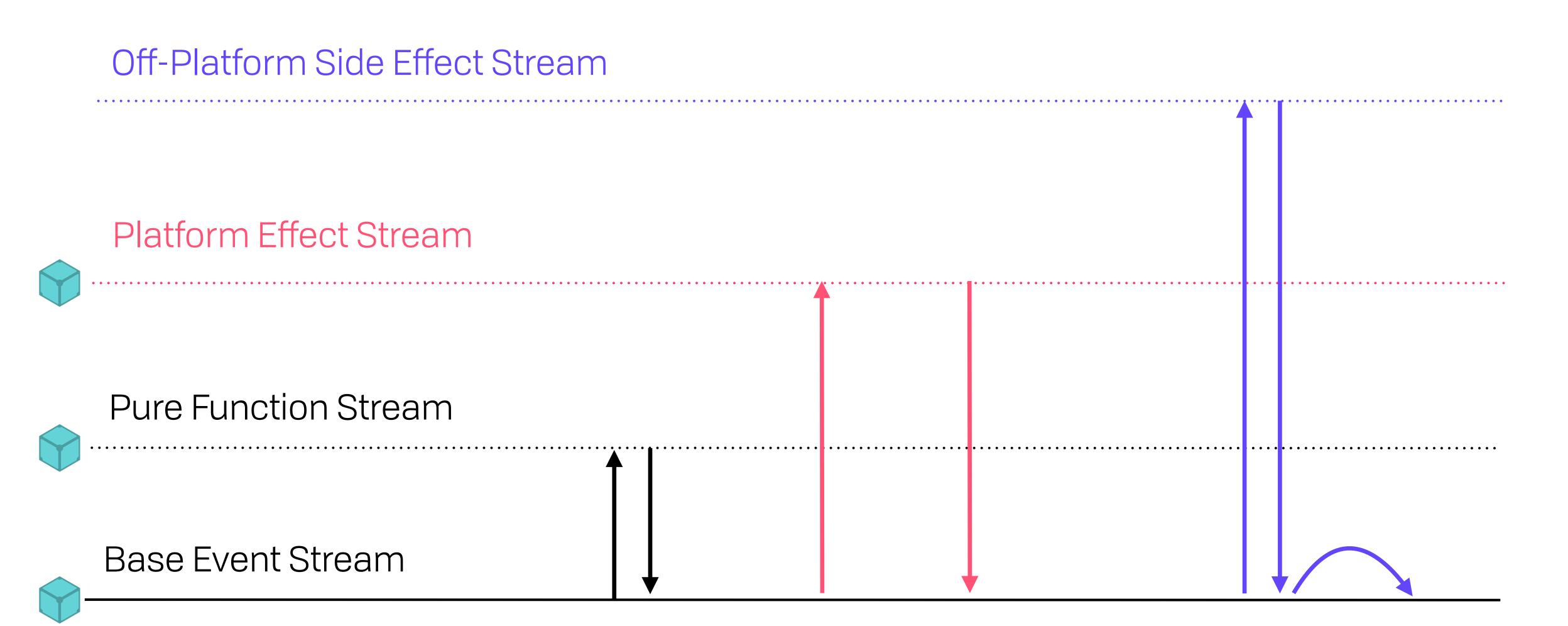


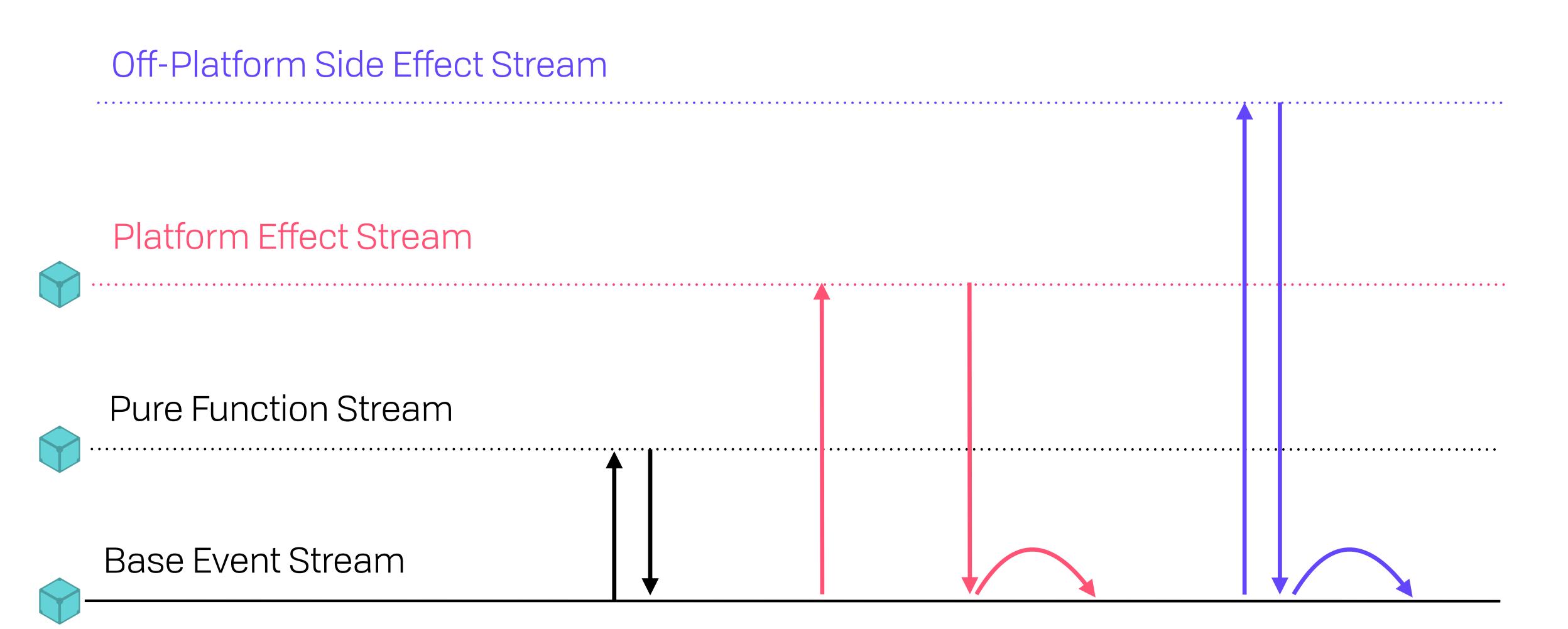
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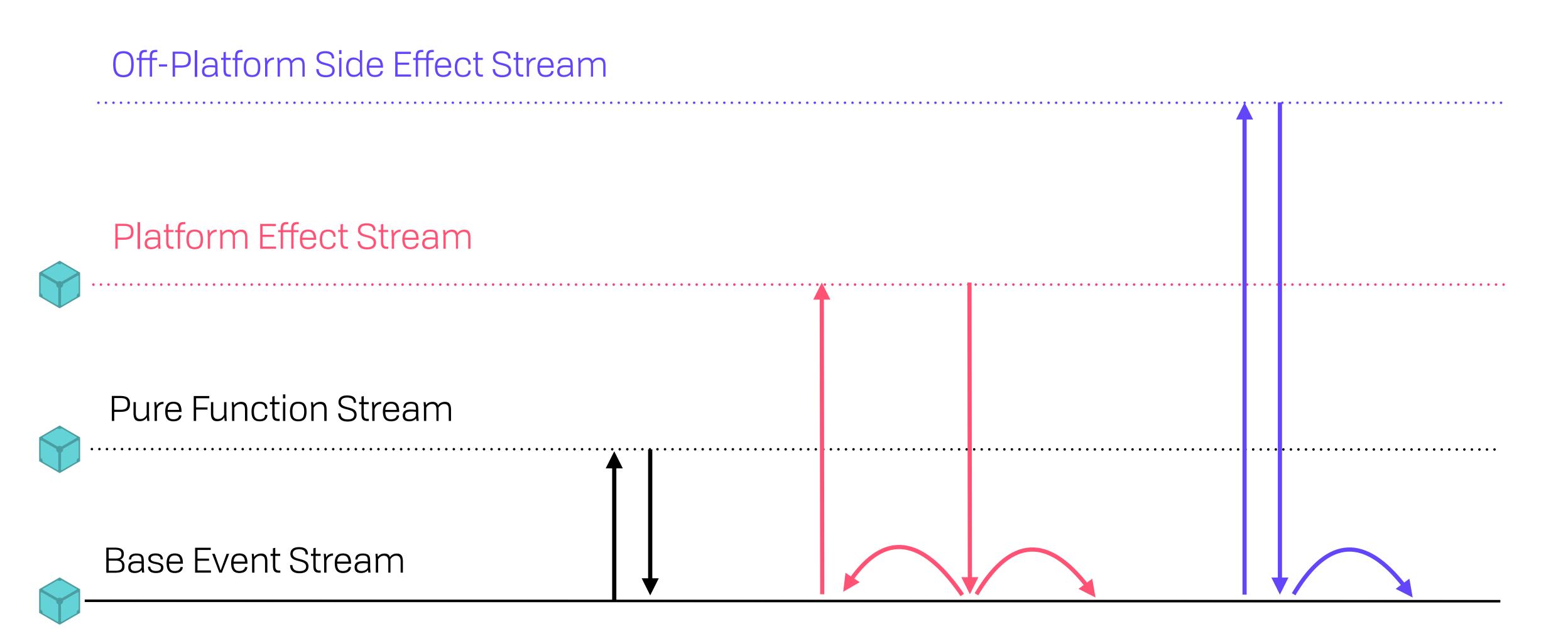












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- Offline-first and local-network aware

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