An illustration of an iceberg floating in the ocean. The top part of the iceberg is above the water surface, while the much larger bottom part is submerged. The water is depicted with horizontal blue stripes. The text is overlaid on the iceberg.

# The Bottom of the Iceberg

## How F# Enables Data Science

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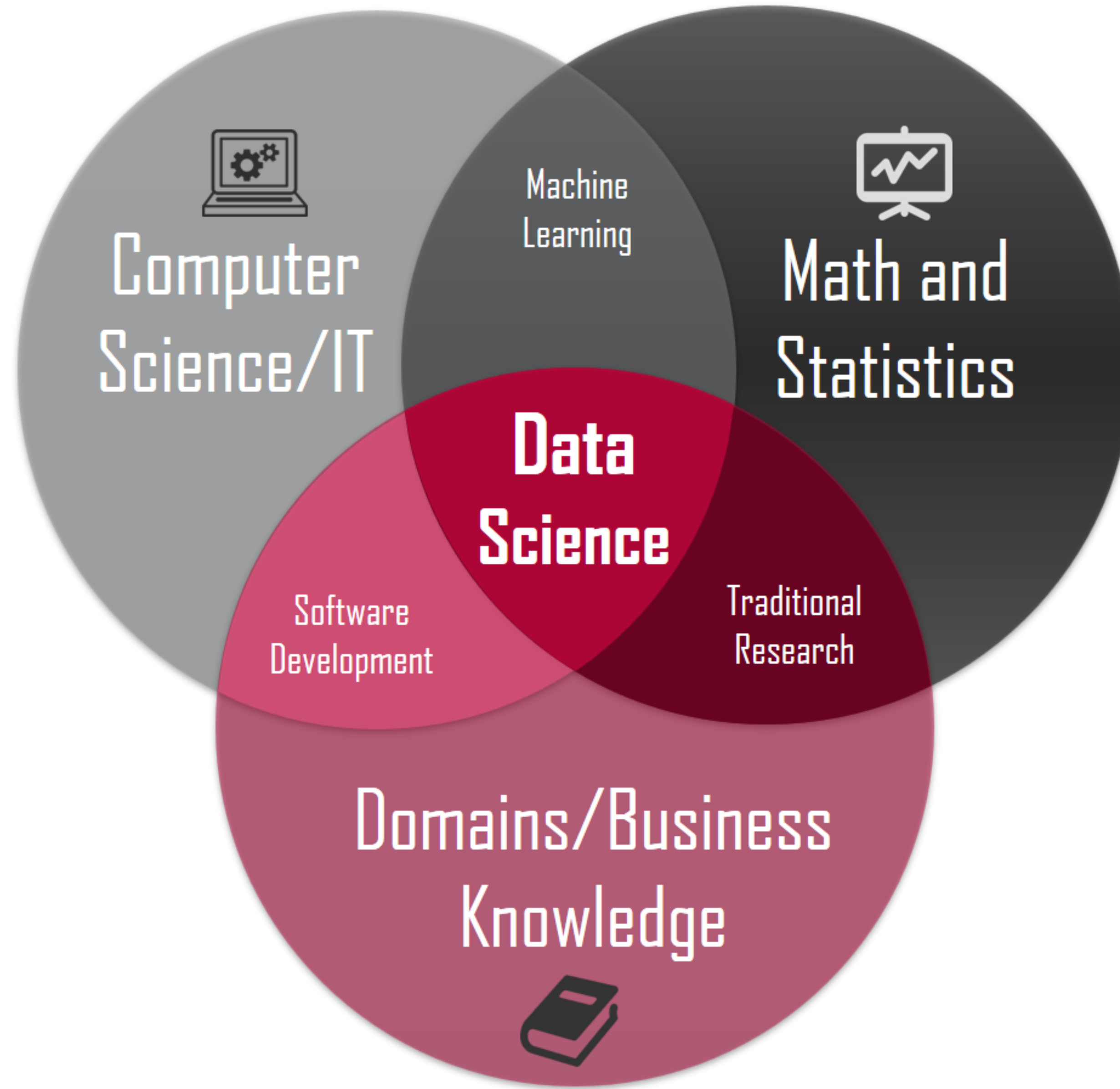
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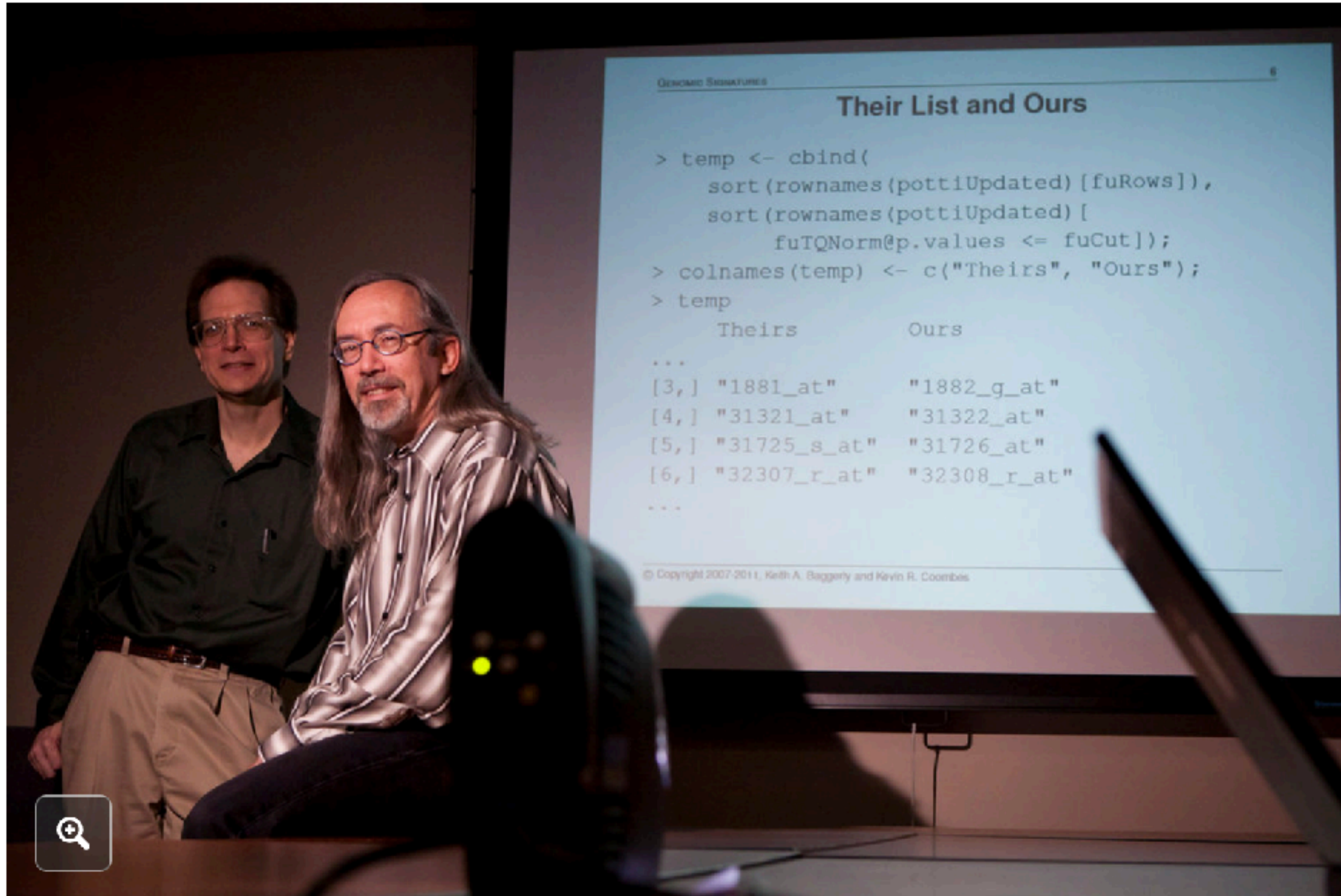
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By GINA KOLATA JULY 7, 2011



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# Software development practices



# CRAN Repository Policy

- Submitting updates should be done responsibly and with respect for the volunteers' time. Once a package is established (which may take several rounds), “no more than every 1–2 months” seems appropriate.





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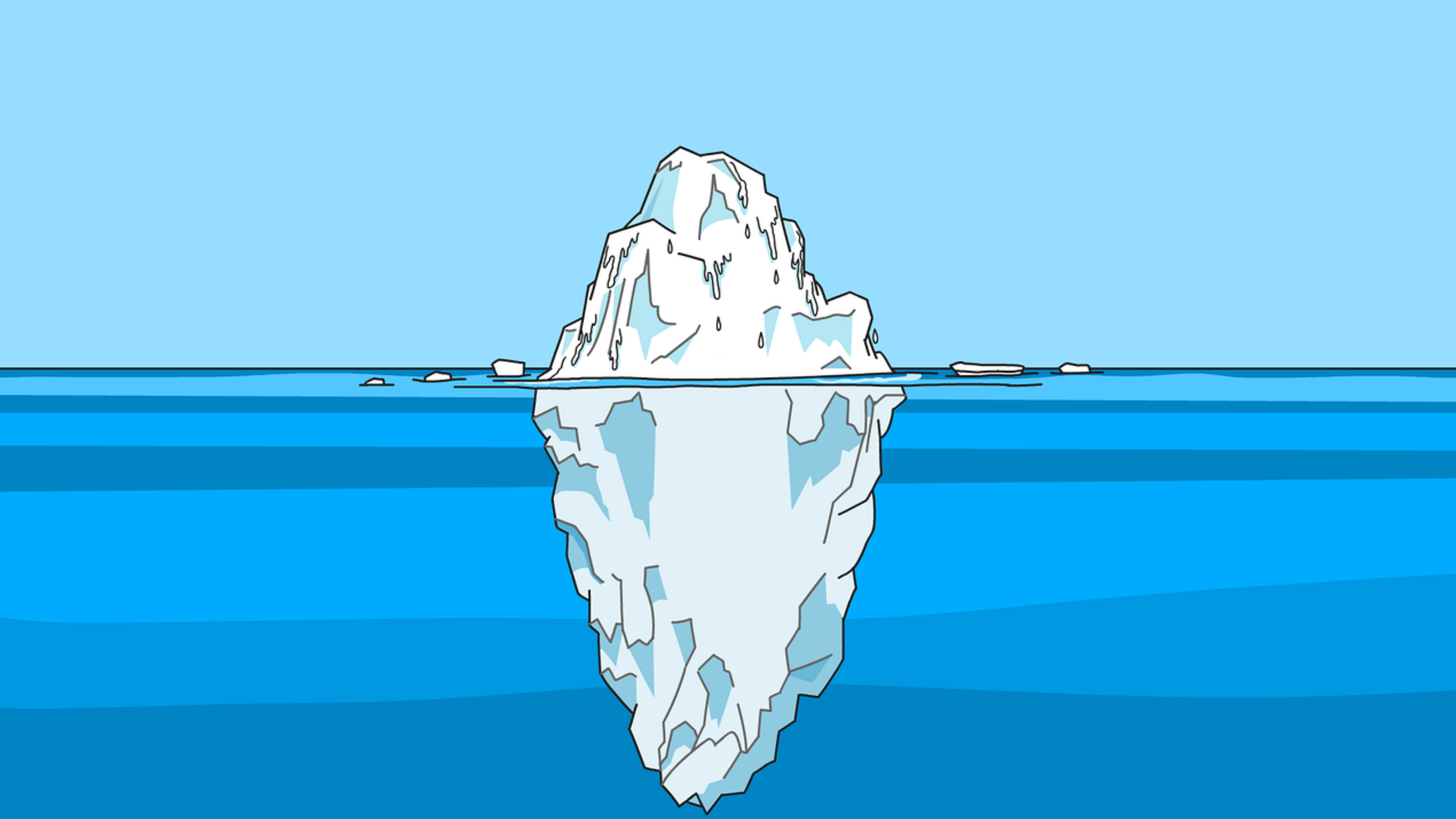
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**Big Data Borat**

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# F# and research engineering



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# The (mis)informed citizen

Computational social science





# Fake news





# "Fake news"

- Actual fabricated news
- Conspiracy theories
- Extreme bias
- Hate groups
- ...



# Supervised learning

Input data



Labels

**Serious article**  
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# Supervised learning



**94 % accuracy**

**Serious article**  
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# Supervised learning

# Machine learning

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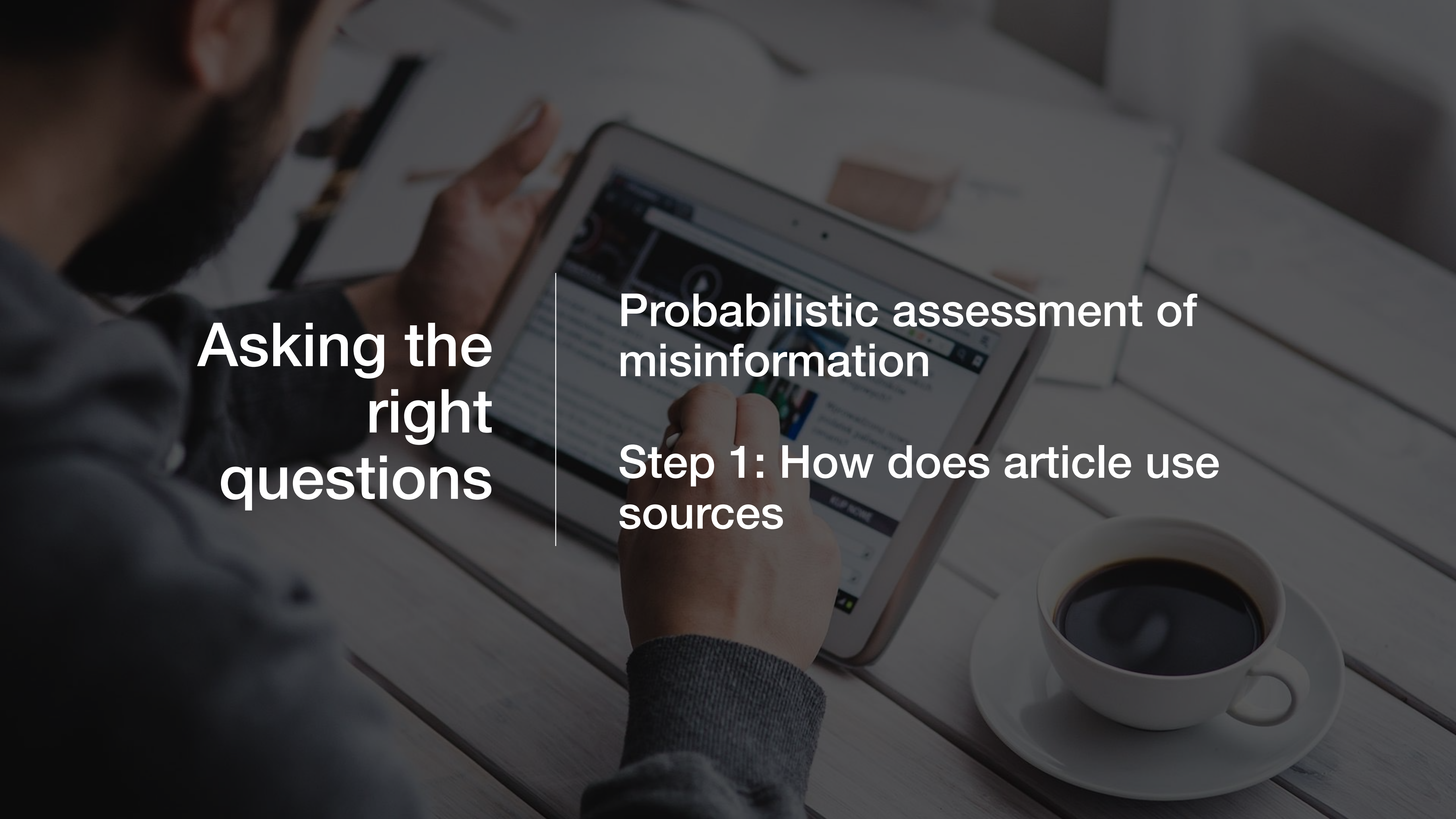
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Serious article

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A top-down view of a person's hands using a tablet computer on a desk. A white coffee cup with black coffee is on a saucer to the right. The background is a light-colored wooden desk with some papers and a pen. The text is overlaid on the image in white.

# Asking the right questions

Probabilistic assessment of  
misinformation

Step 1: How does article use  
sources



# Getting the right data

325 websites

Mix of "quality" websites and "fake news" websites

Crawler + extracting article texts







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# Misinformation project

## Annotation tool

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on a key campaign promise to turn the court more conservative for generations.

Trump spoke briefly from the White House lawn before the Senate vote session started, saying that "in the end maybe the process, it was really unattractive, but the extra week was something that I think was really good. I thought it was really good. I think a lot of very positive things happened in the last week. It didn't look that way but in the end, that's what happened."

As for Kavanaugh, Trump said "he's going in looking really good."

White House press secretary Sarah Sanders said that Trump called Kavanaugh to congratulate him while onboard Air Force One as he headed to a campaign rally in Kansas.

Trump told reporters that his speech in Mississippi on Tuesday, days before the vote, had an effect on Kavanaugh's nomination. During that speech, Trump appeared to mock Christine Blasey Ford's testimony about her alleged assault at the hands of Kavanaugh. The judge has denied the accusations.

"I think the Mississippi speech had a great impact, yes. I think it was a very important thing," Trump said on the plane Saturday.

"He was chosen for the reason of his temperament, his incredible past, his outstanding years on the court. He's had an outstanding record, a brilliant scholar, a totally brilliant scholar -- top -- and we're very honored that he was able to withstand this horrible horrible attack by the Democrats," Trump said.

## The drama of the vote tally

Kavanaugh's confirmation essentially became a done deal on Friday afternoon, when Maine Republican Sen. Susan Collins, a key undecided vote, announced on the Senate floor that, despite allegations of sexual assault and misconduct against him, "I will vote to confirm Judge Kavanaugh."

Just hours earlier, with Kavanaugh's fate still uncertain, the full Senate had

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# Hate speech



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**Putting AI in air traffic control**



# Automated game playing agents









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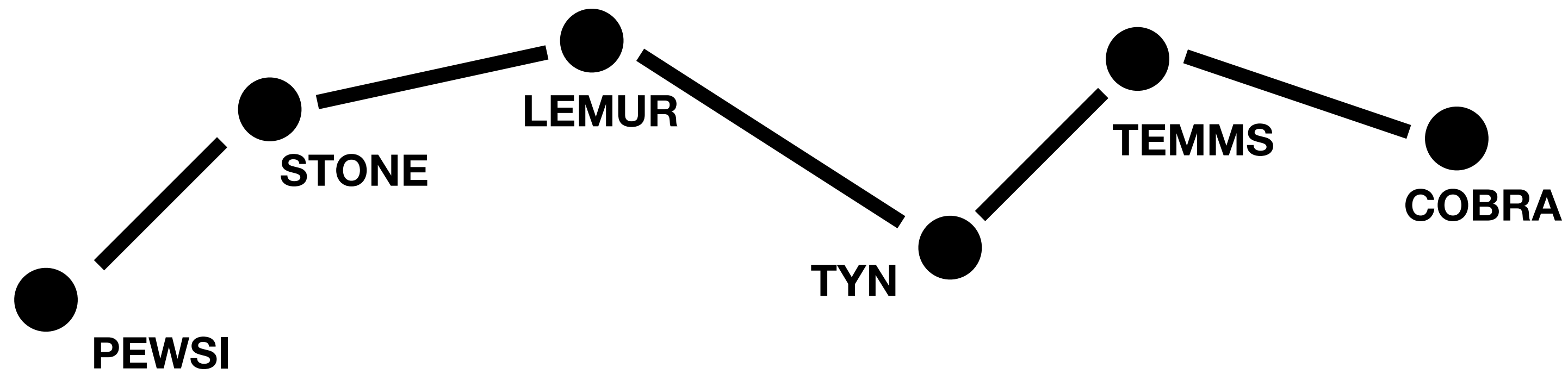
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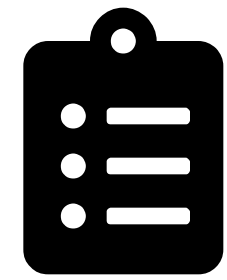


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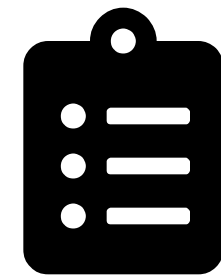
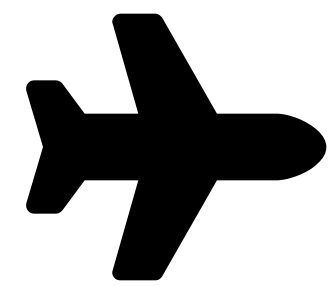


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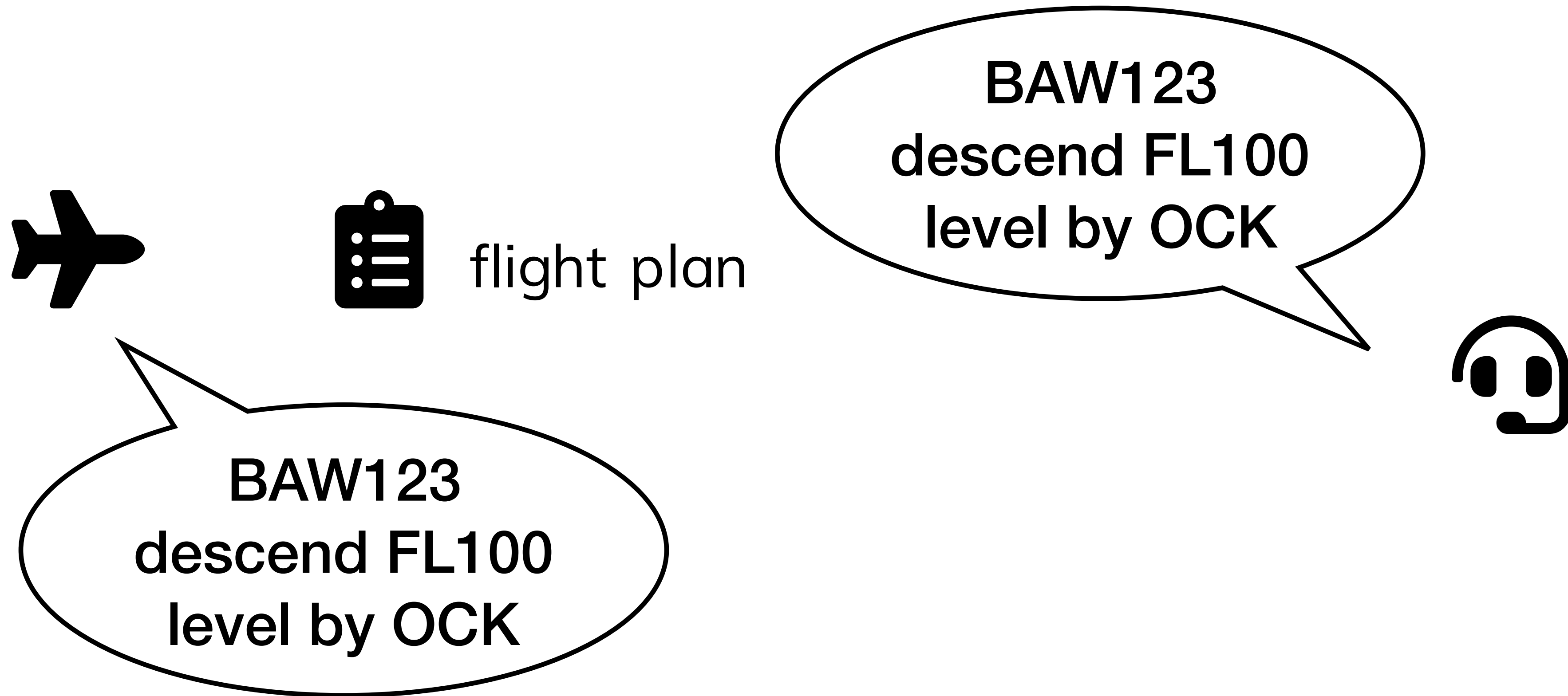
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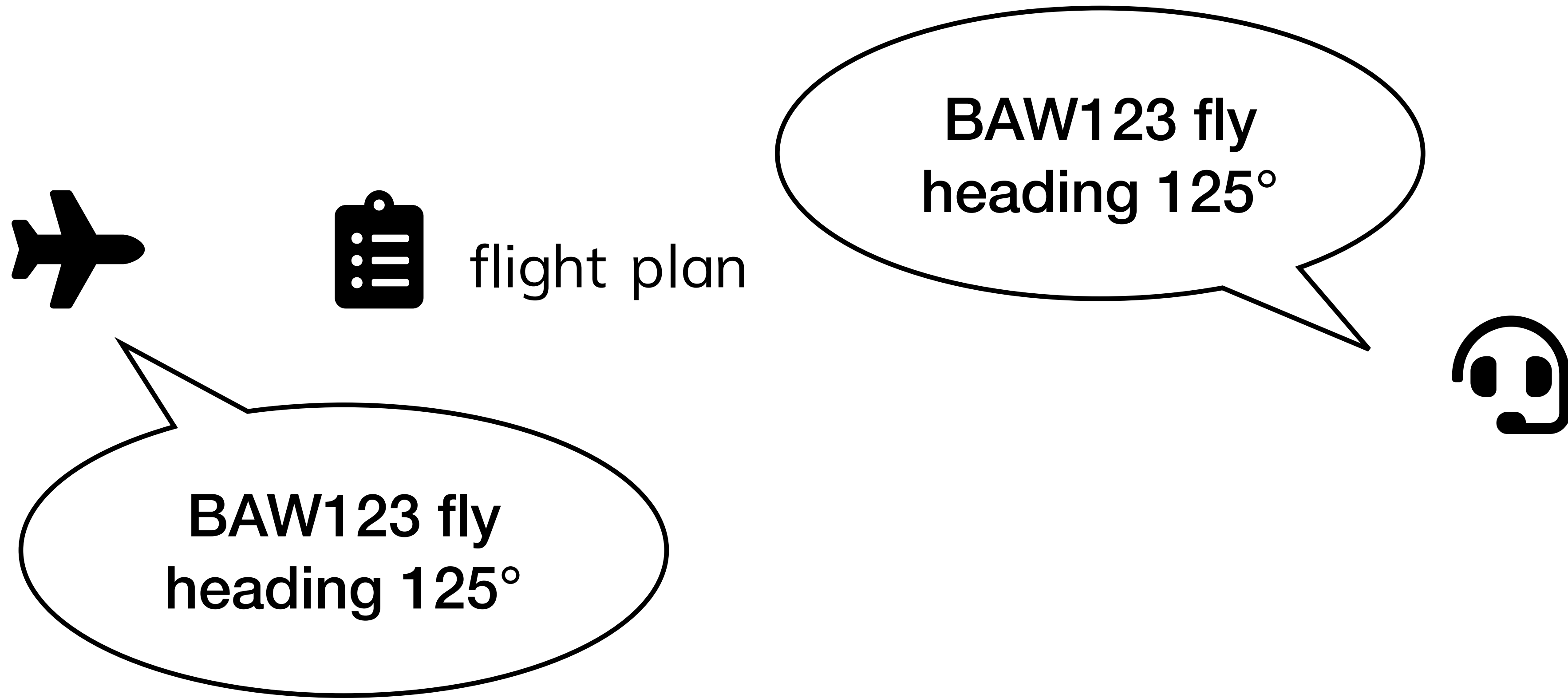


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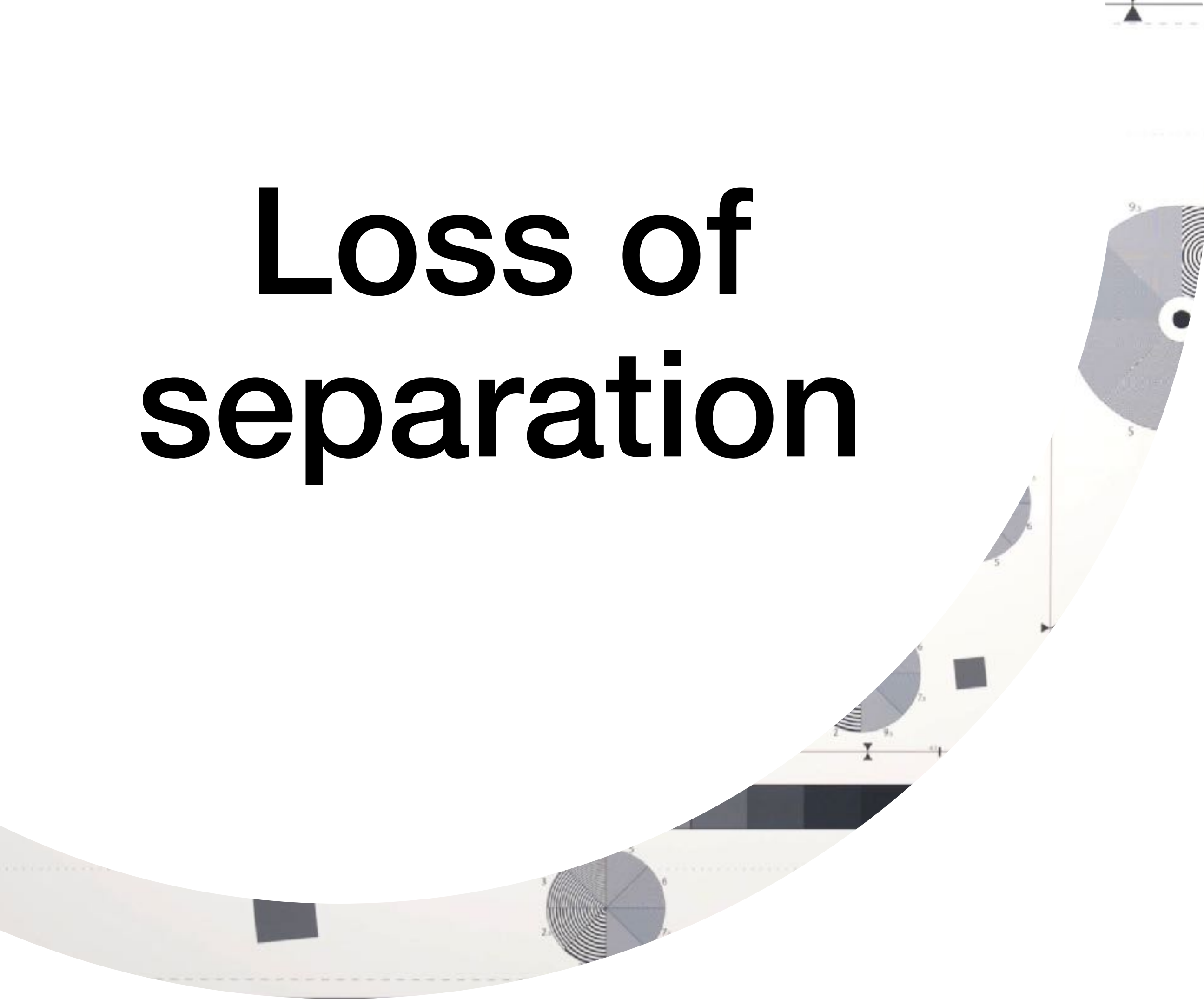


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**1000 feet vertically**



# Loss of separation



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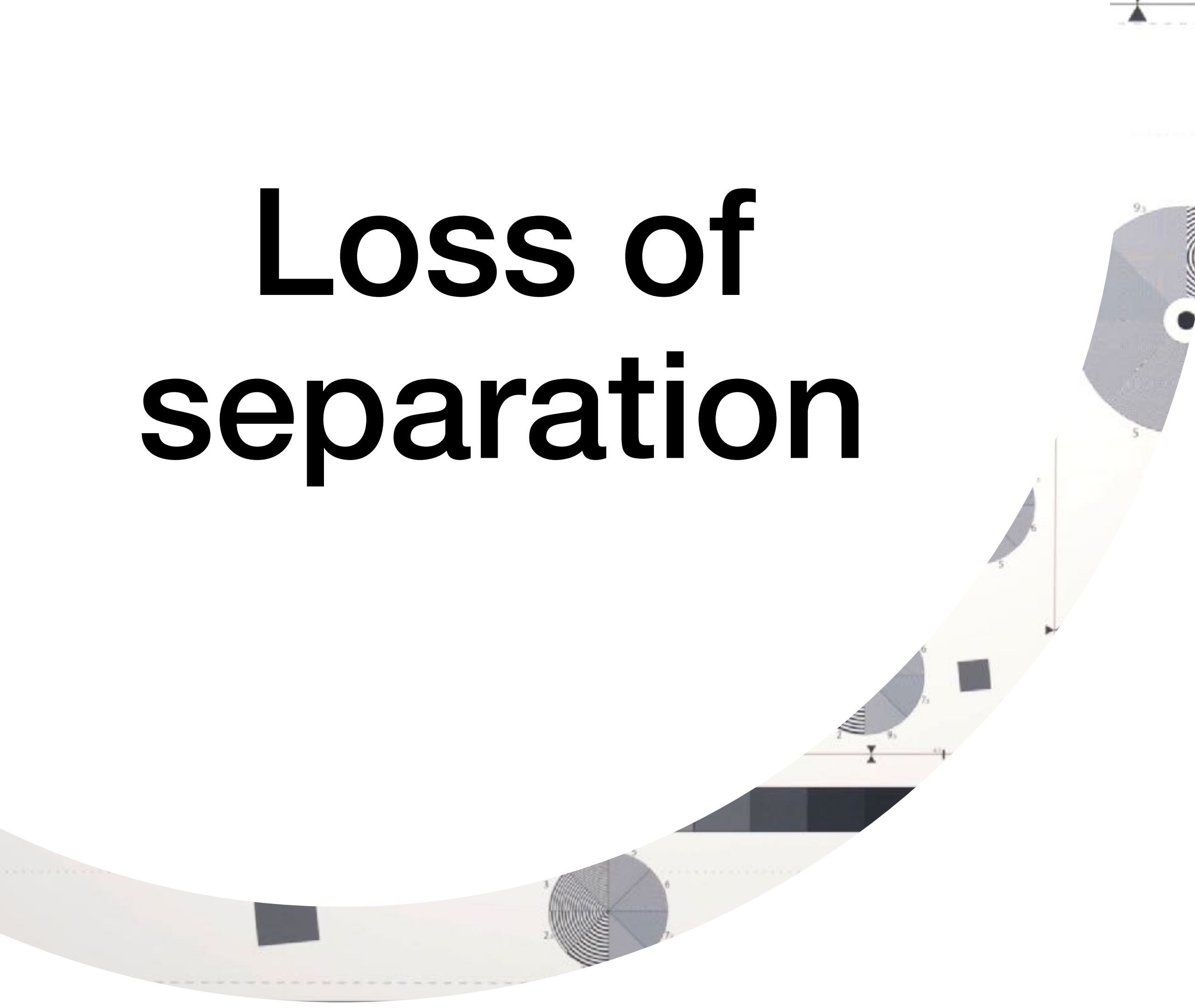
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# Loss of separation



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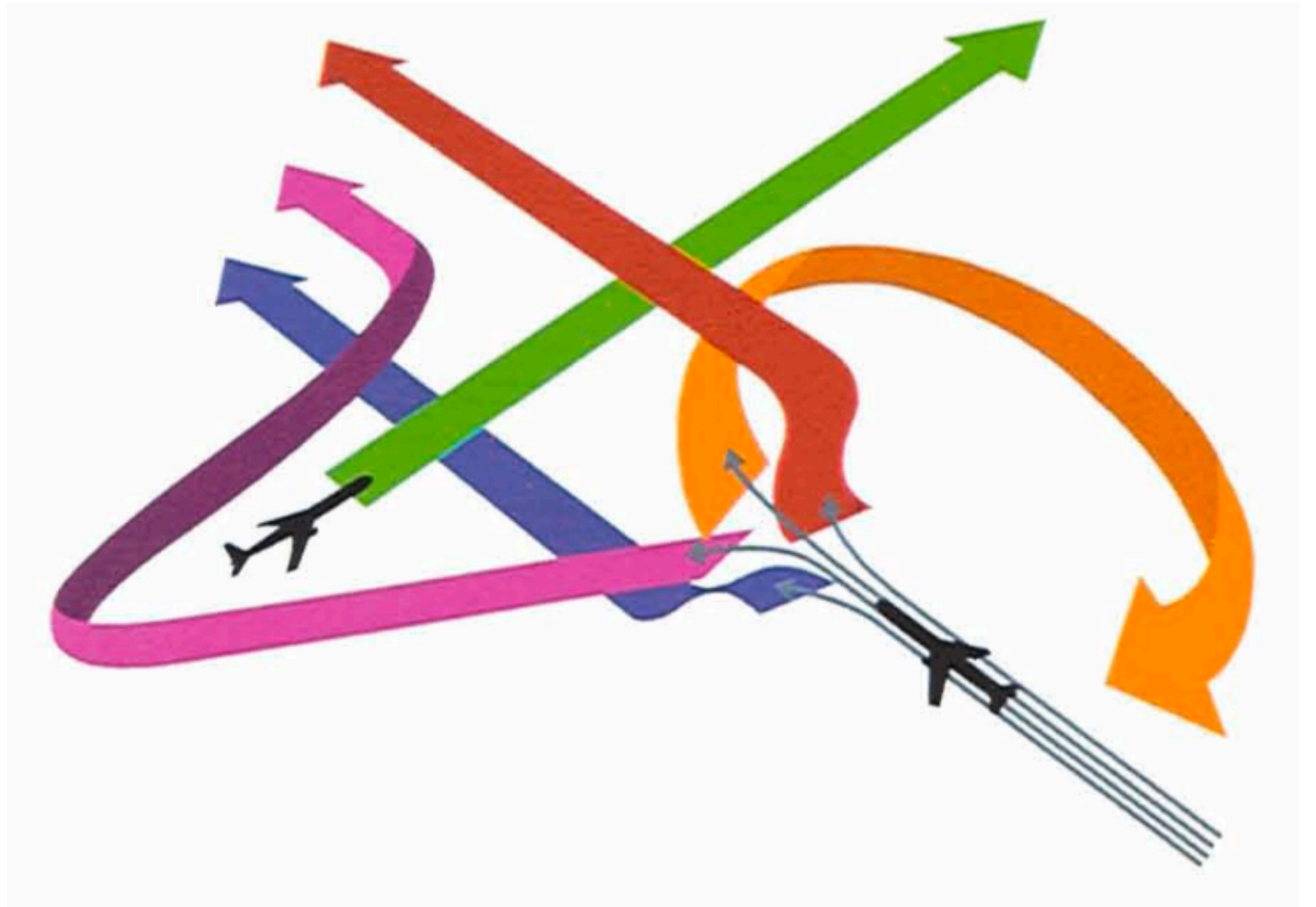
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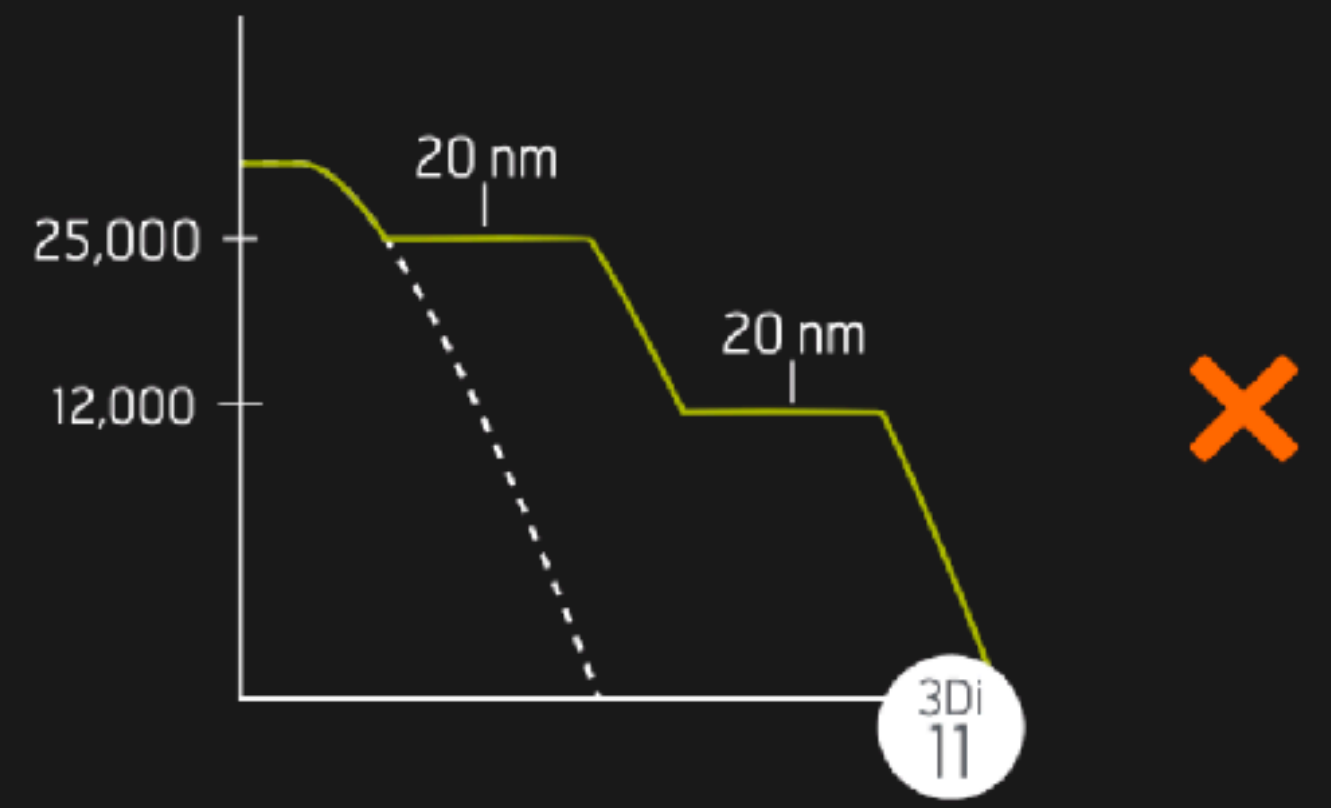
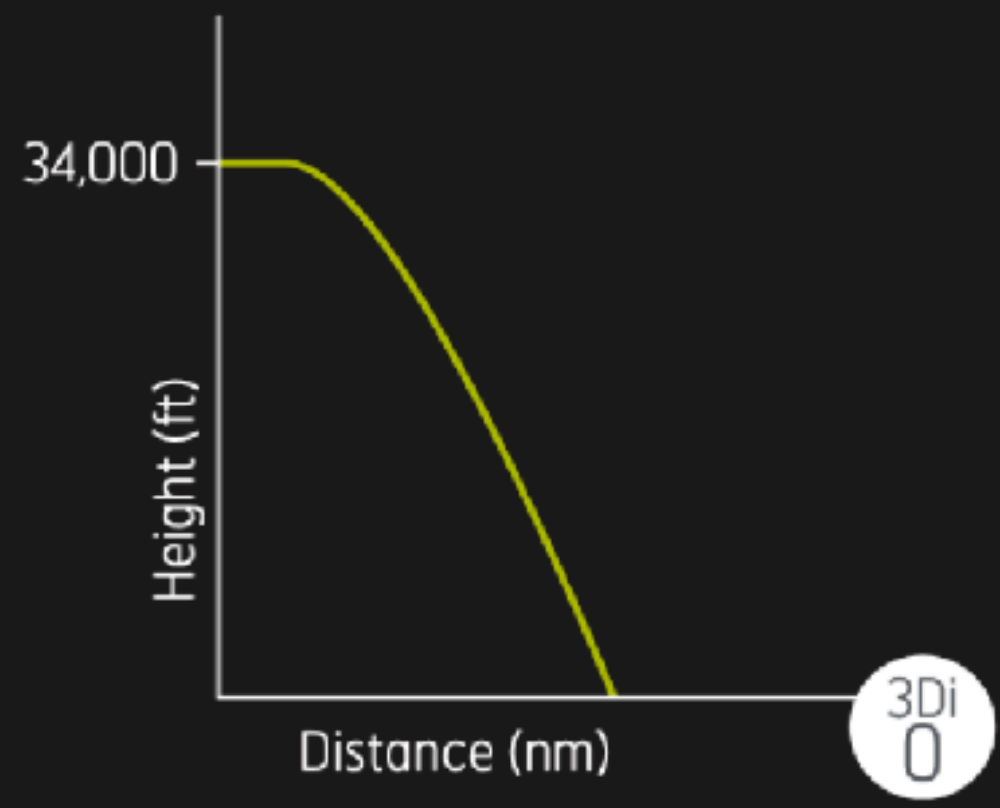
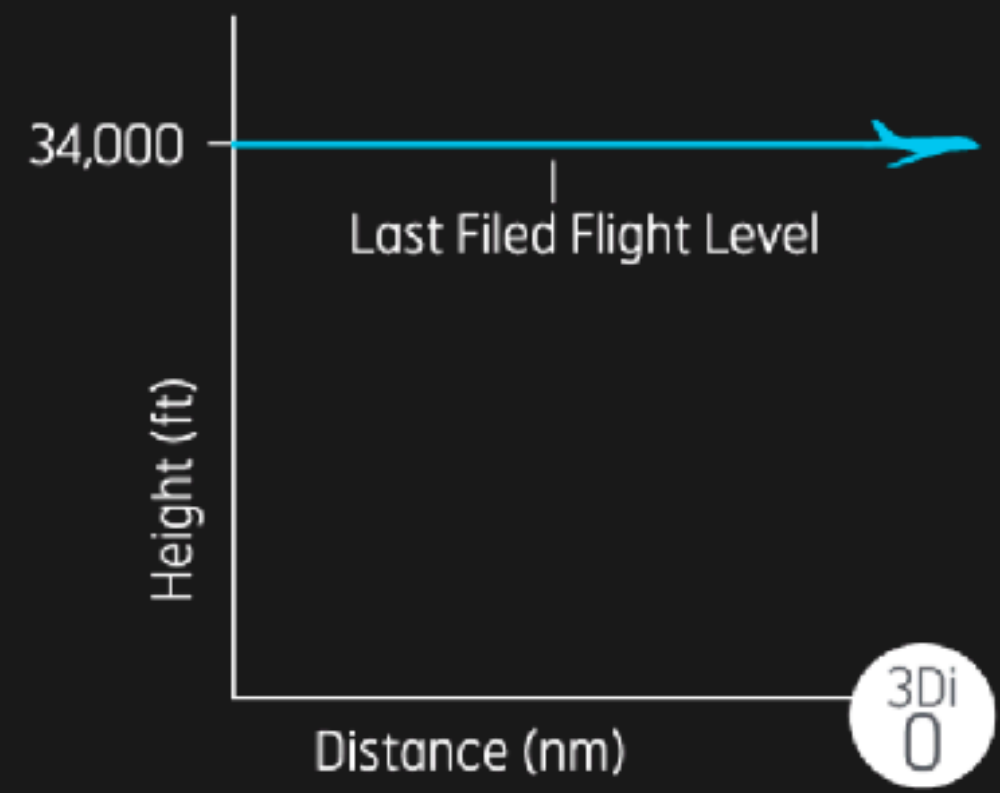
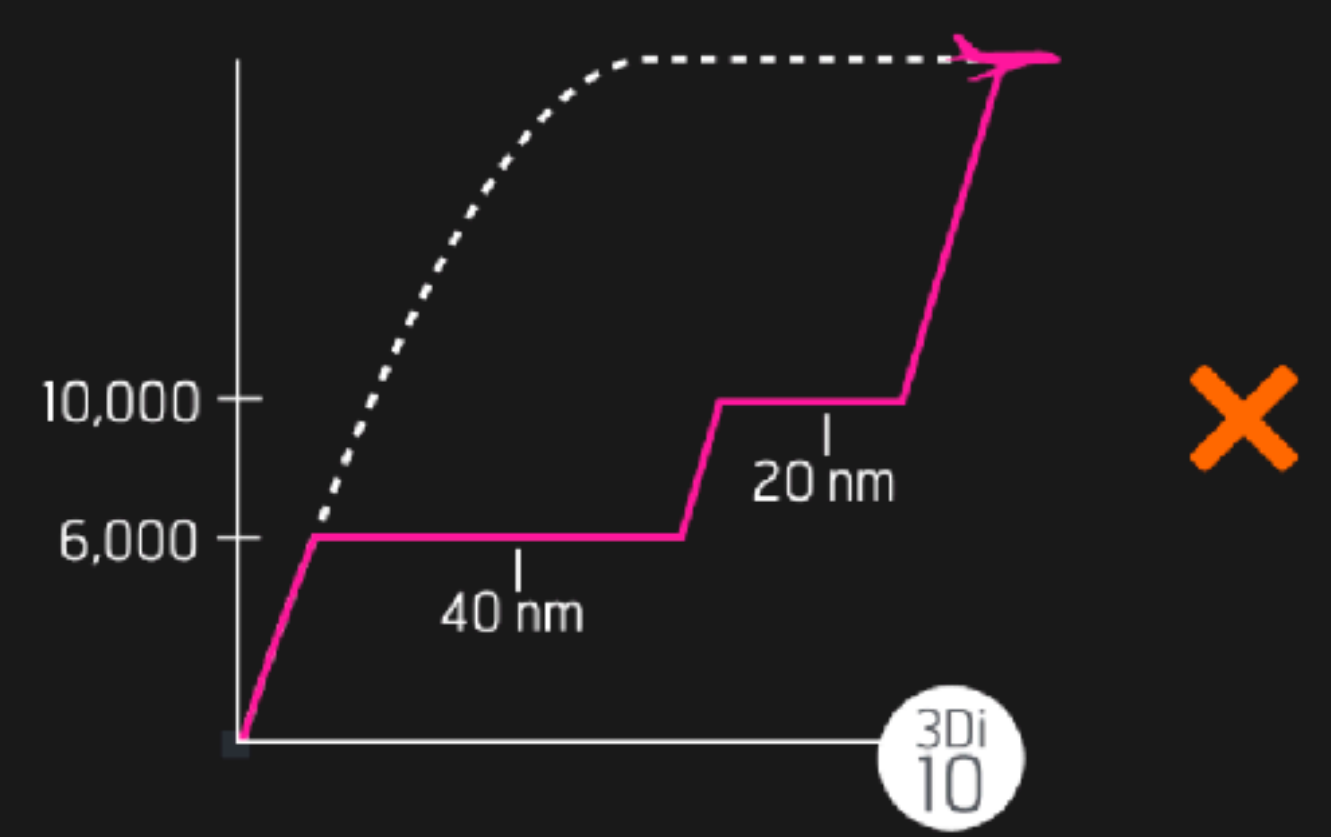
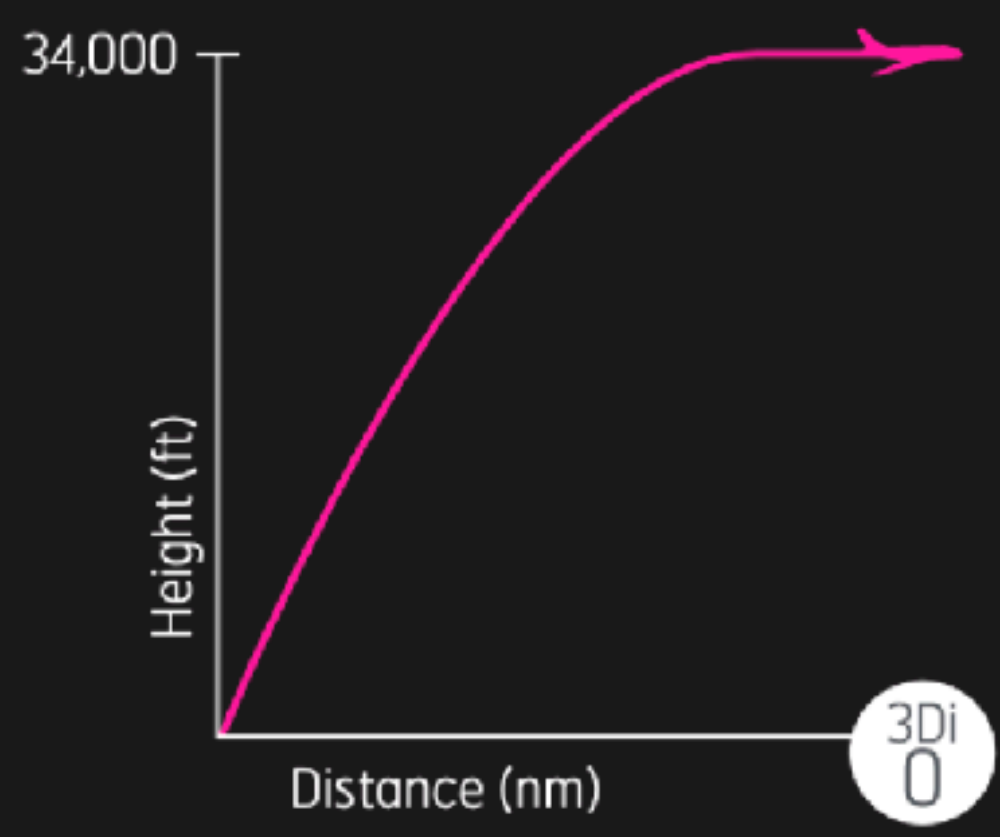


Avoiding  
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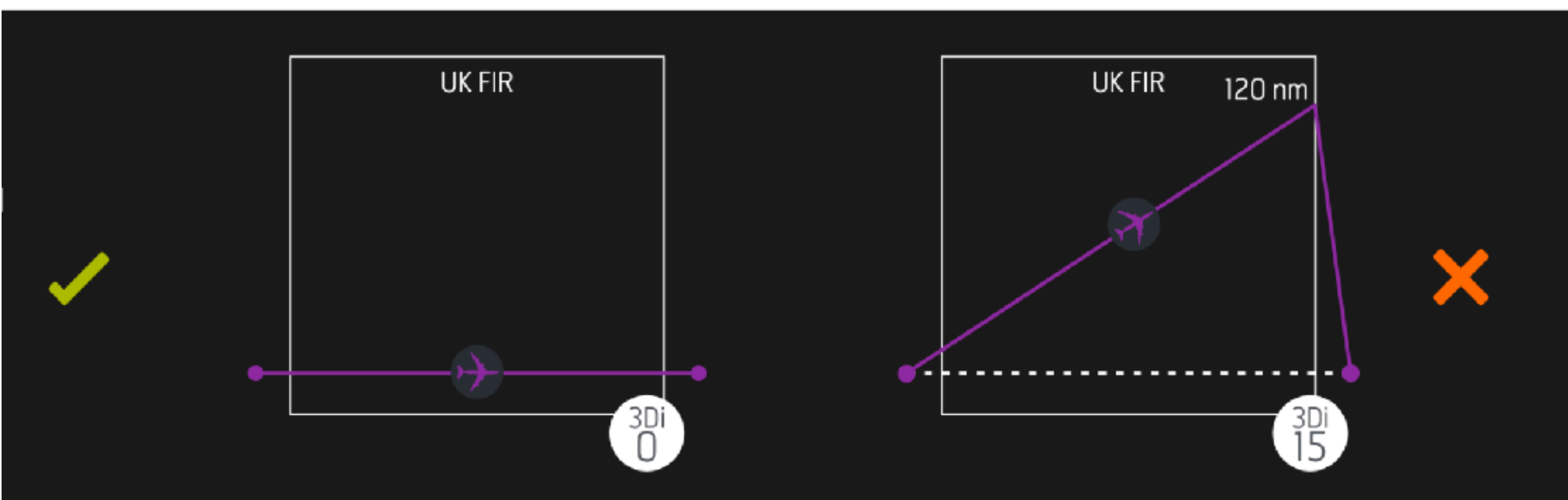
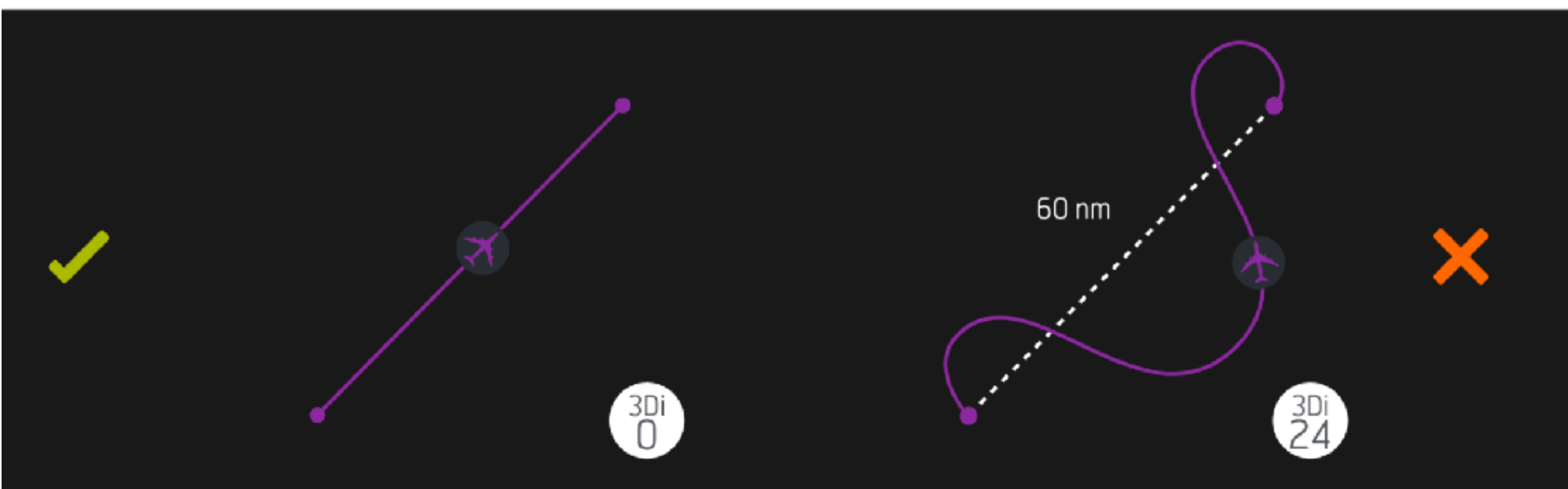
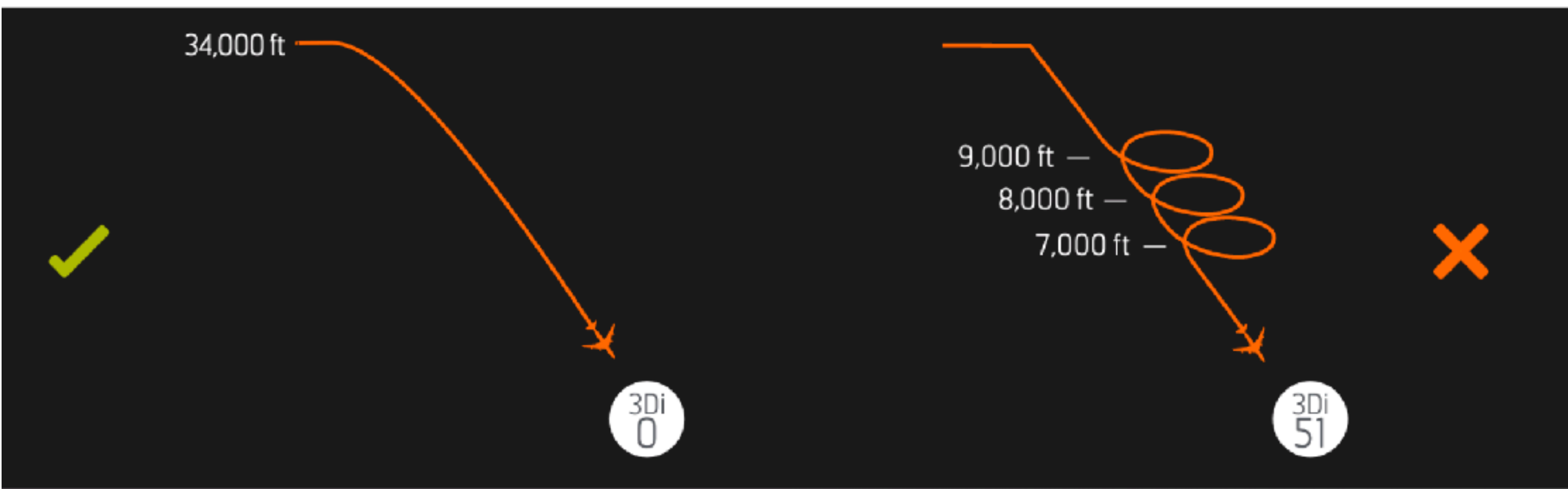


# Additional objectives





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**Free route  
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# Main sources of uncertainty

Pilot behaviour

Aircraft load

Weather



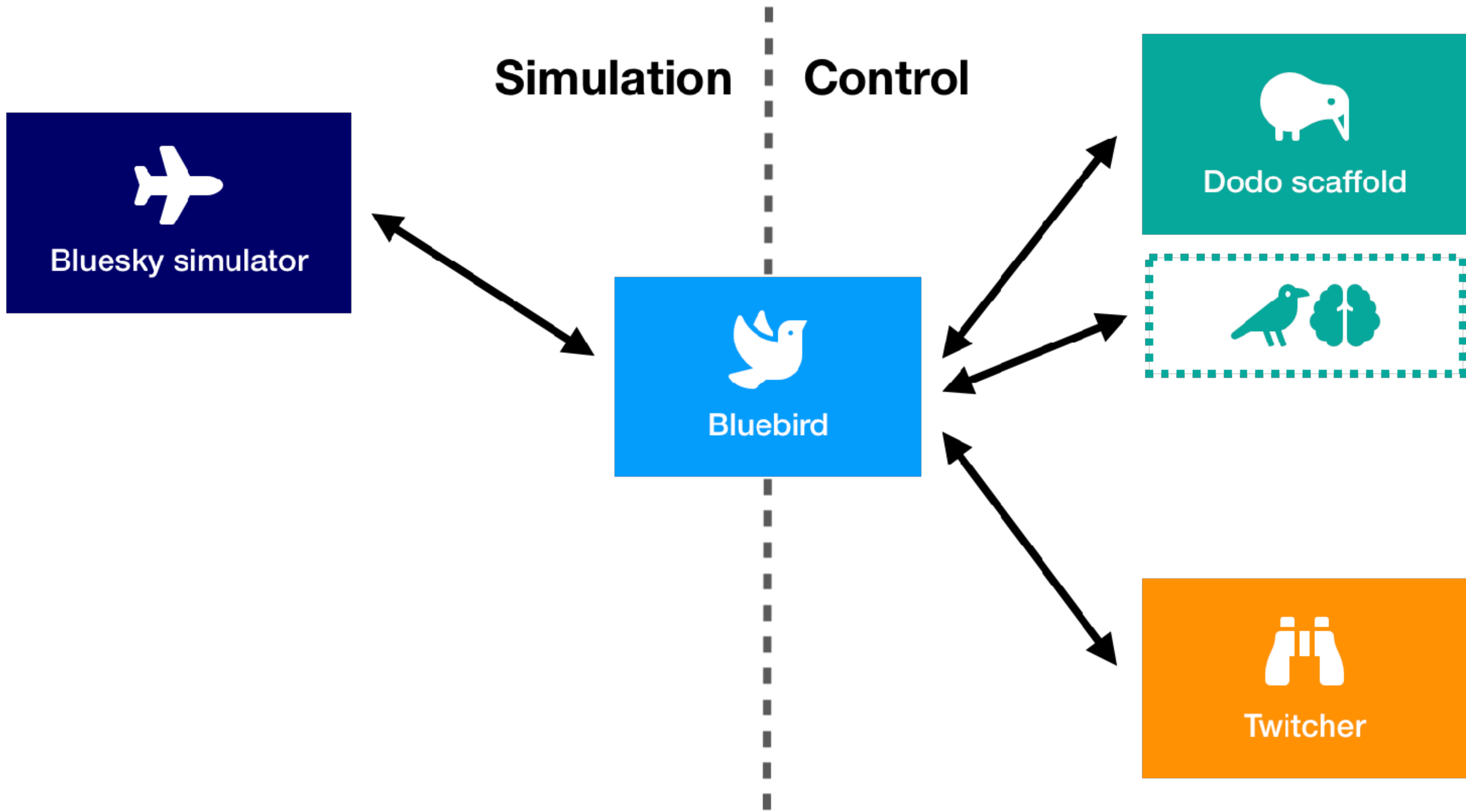


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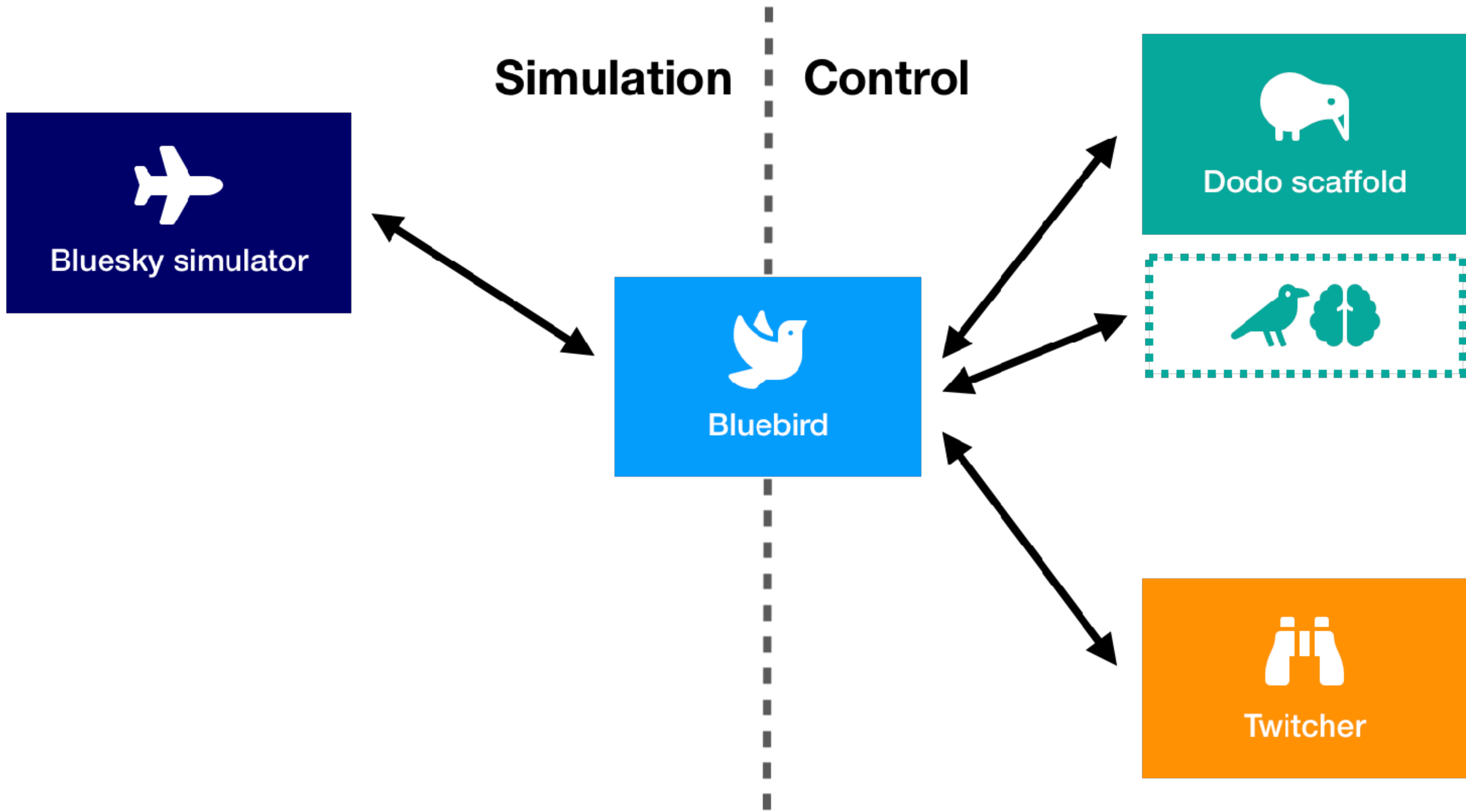






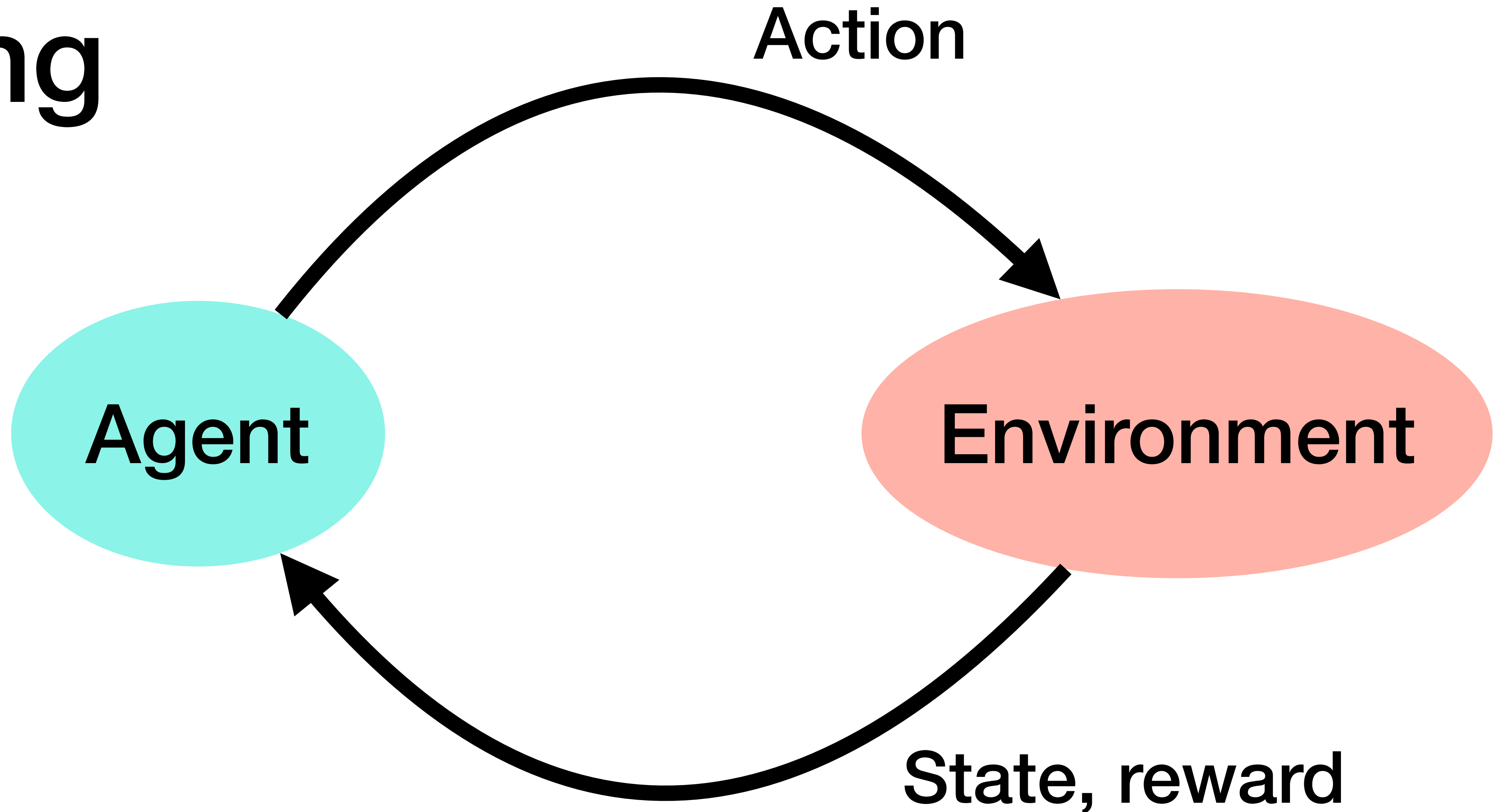
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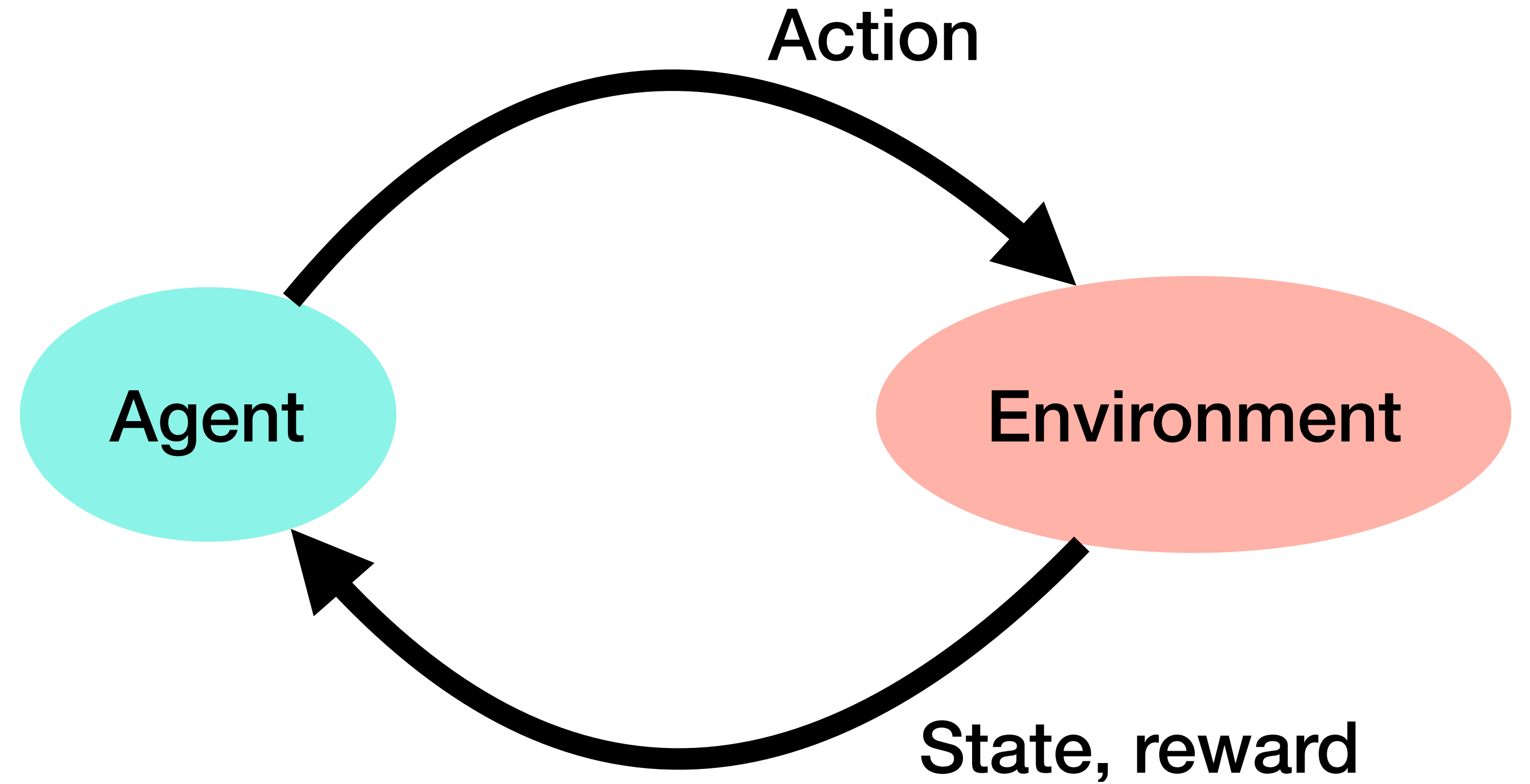


# Reinforcement learning





# Reinforcement learning



Step: State -> Action -> State', Reward



# Open experimentation platform





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GENERAL CONTROLS

- Run as observer
- Load test scenario
- Reset simulator

SIMULATION CONTROLS

- Play/Resume
- Pause
- Create aircraft

| Aircraft ID | Latitude | Longitude | Altitude |
|-------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| ABC500      | 51.100   | -0.633    | 25000 ft |
| BA1003      | 50.810   | 0.455     | 30000 ft |
| BA1004      | 50.890   | -0.538    | 30000 ft |
| BA1006      | 51.195   | 0.702     | 35000 ft |
| EJ9009      | 50.887   | 0.324     | 20000 ft |
| MON100      | 50.757   | -1.106    | 20000 ft |

✕ ABC500 ✕

- Longitude: -0.633
- Latitude: 51.100
- Course: 270.0° [↻ Change heading](#)
- Altitude: 25000 ft [↑ Change](#)
- Ground speed: 381 knots [🌪️ Change calib. air speed](#)
- Vertical speed: 0.0 ft/min



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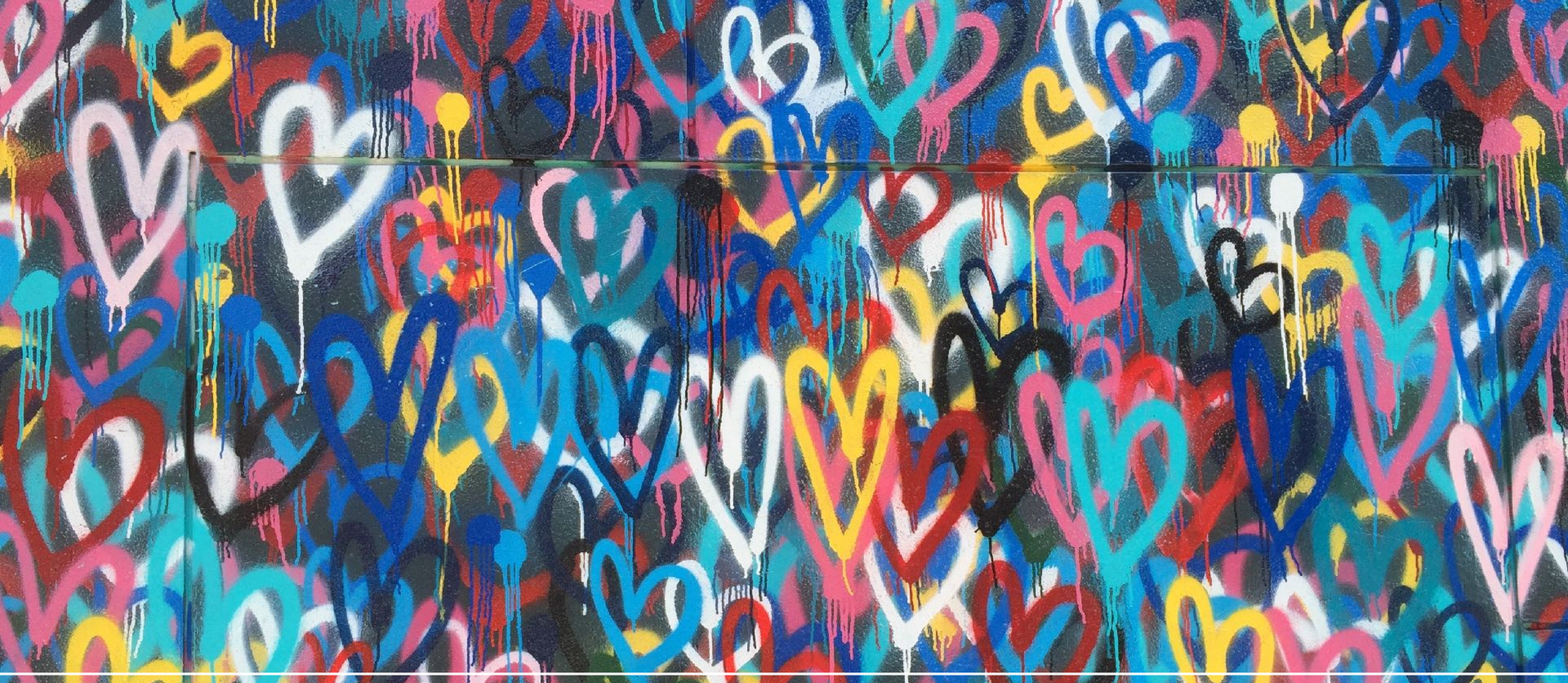
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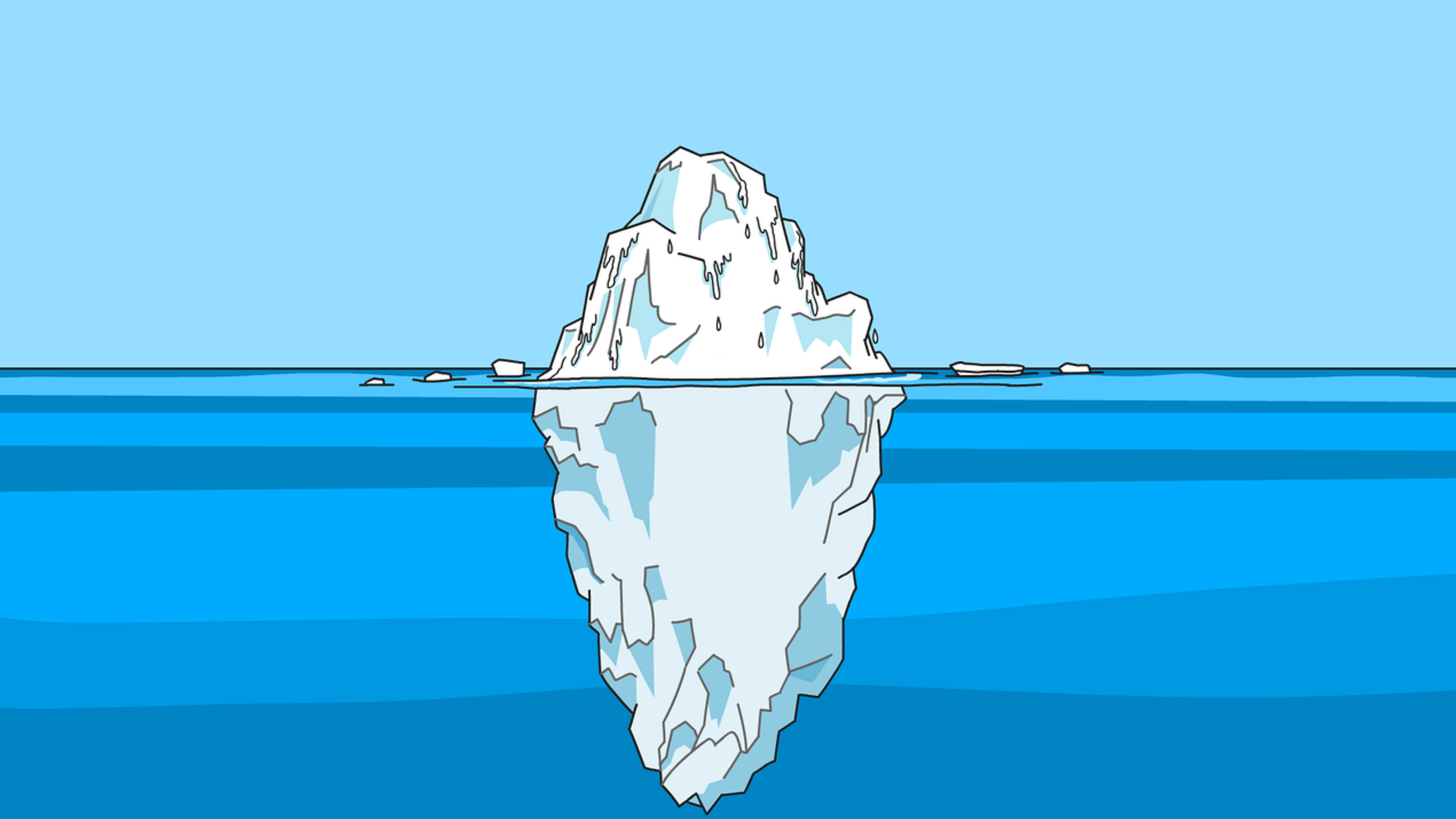




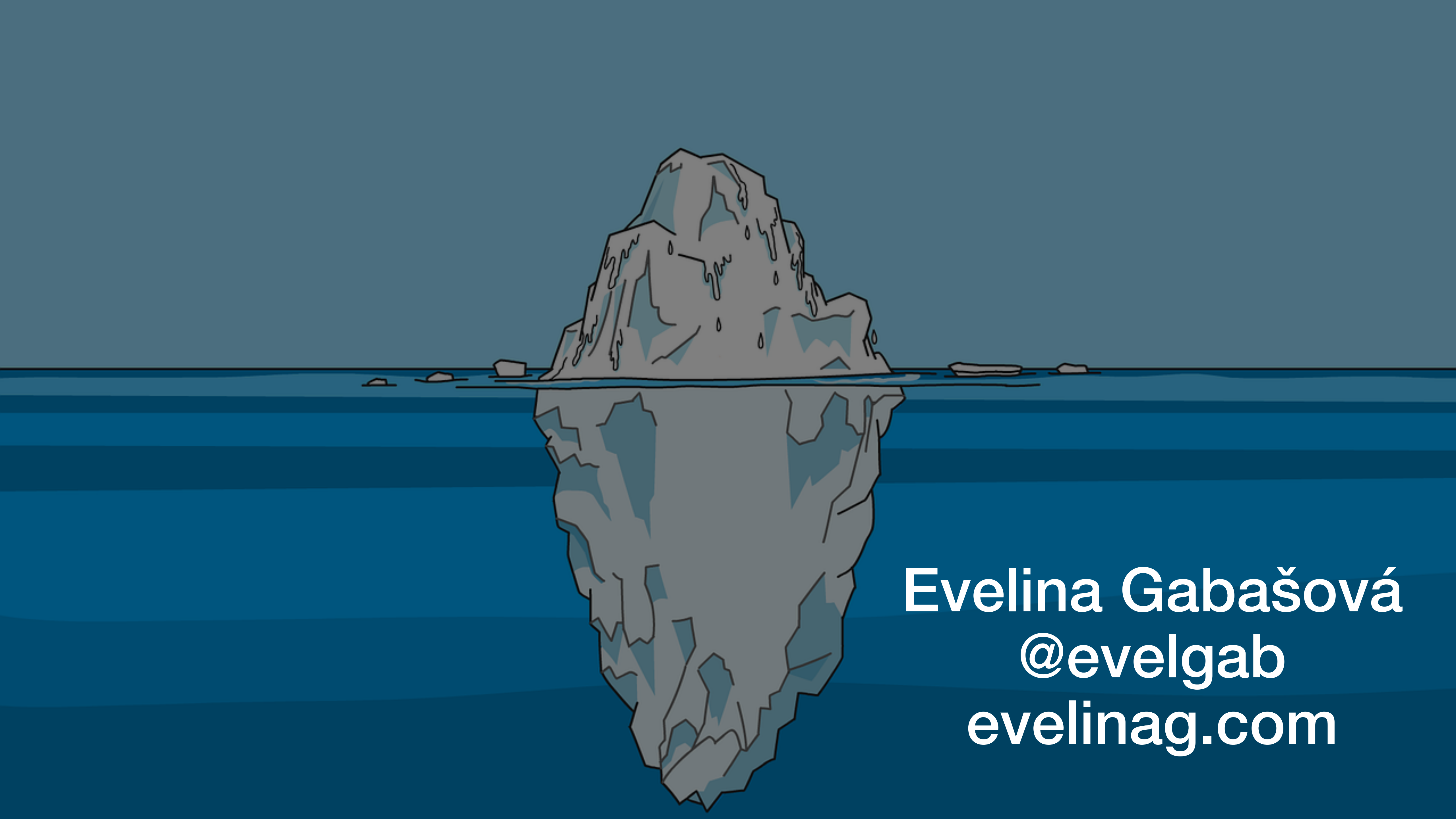


## F# and Fable









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