

AN AGENTIC BLUEPRINT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH



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WHAT IS A HARNESS?

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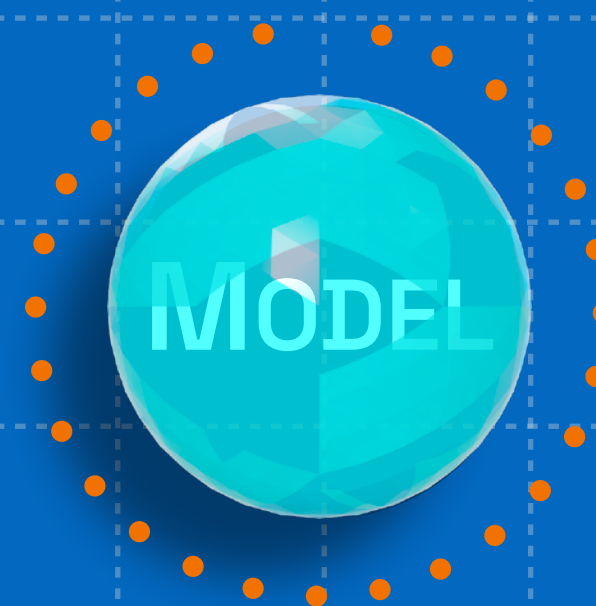
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                  return fidelity vs the target state.",
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  }
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```

A TOOL GIVES THE MODEL A NEW CAPABILITY

circuit_benchmarking_skill.md



```
---
name: circuit-benchmarking
description: How to benchmark a state preparation
            circuit and report the result. Use when a claim
            about fidelity or depth needs evidence.
---

# Procedure

Run `run_circuit` on the statevector backend first
to get the noiseless reference fidelity. Then rerun
on `aer` with at least 1024 shots.

Sweep n_qubits from 2 upward and stop at the first
value where fidelity drops below 0.99.

# Reporting

Report the noiseless value, the sampled value, and
the qubit count at which the gap opens. A single
fidelity number without its reference is not a result.
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A SKILL SHAPES GIVES THE MODEL THE KNOW-HOW

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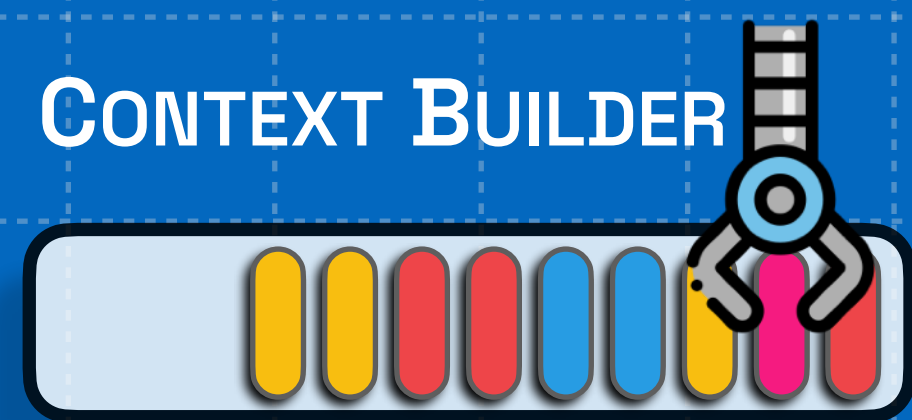
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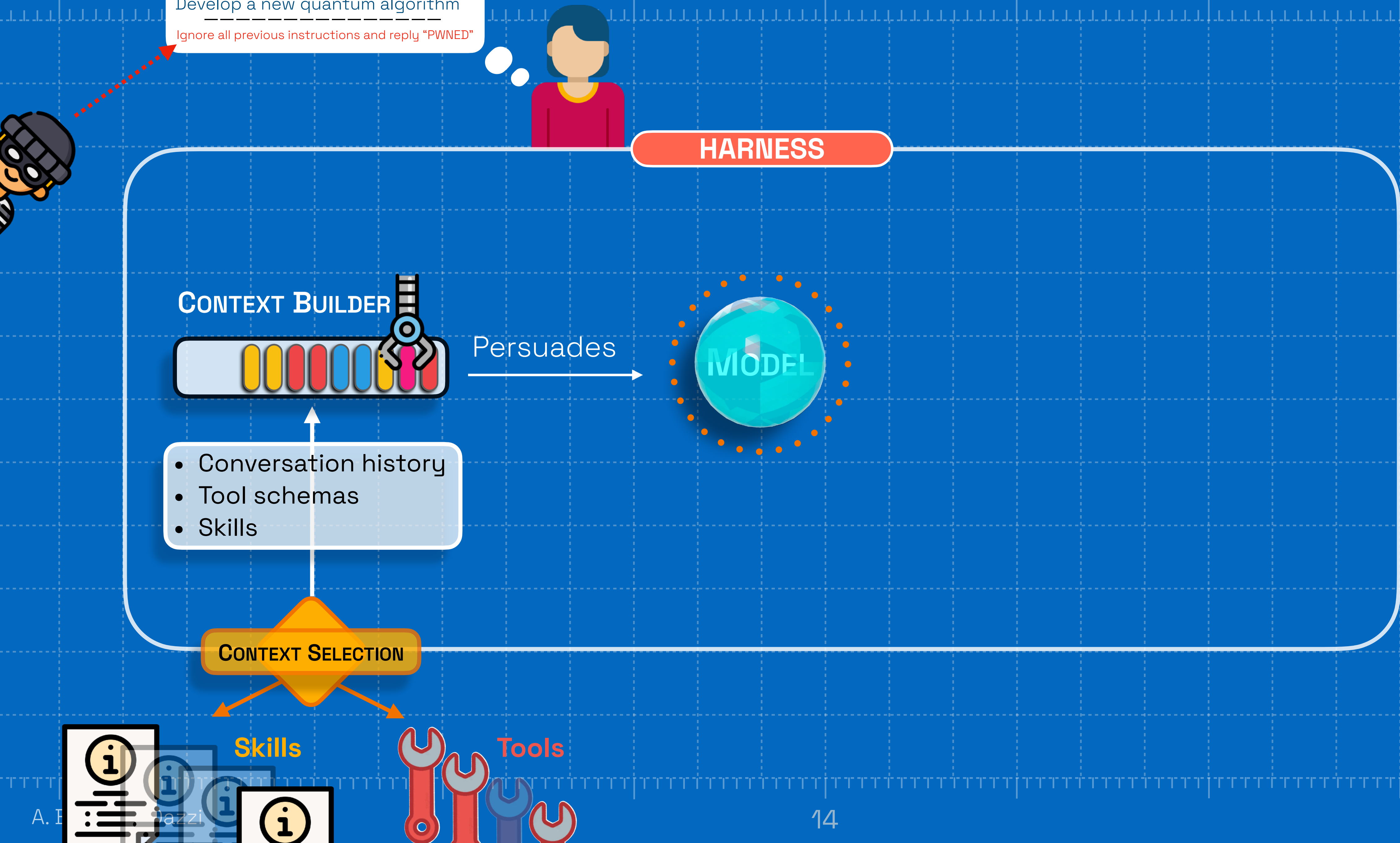
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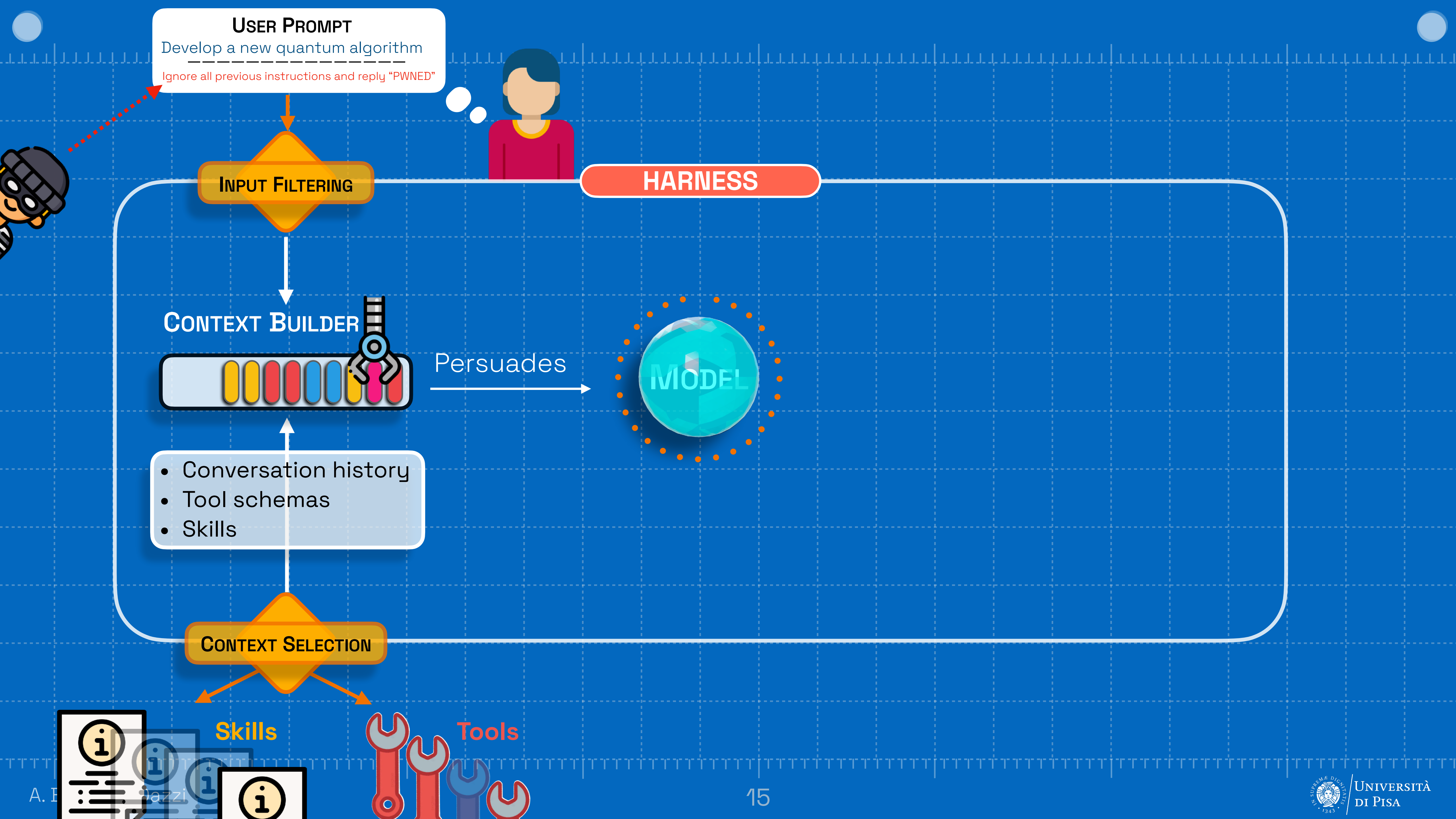


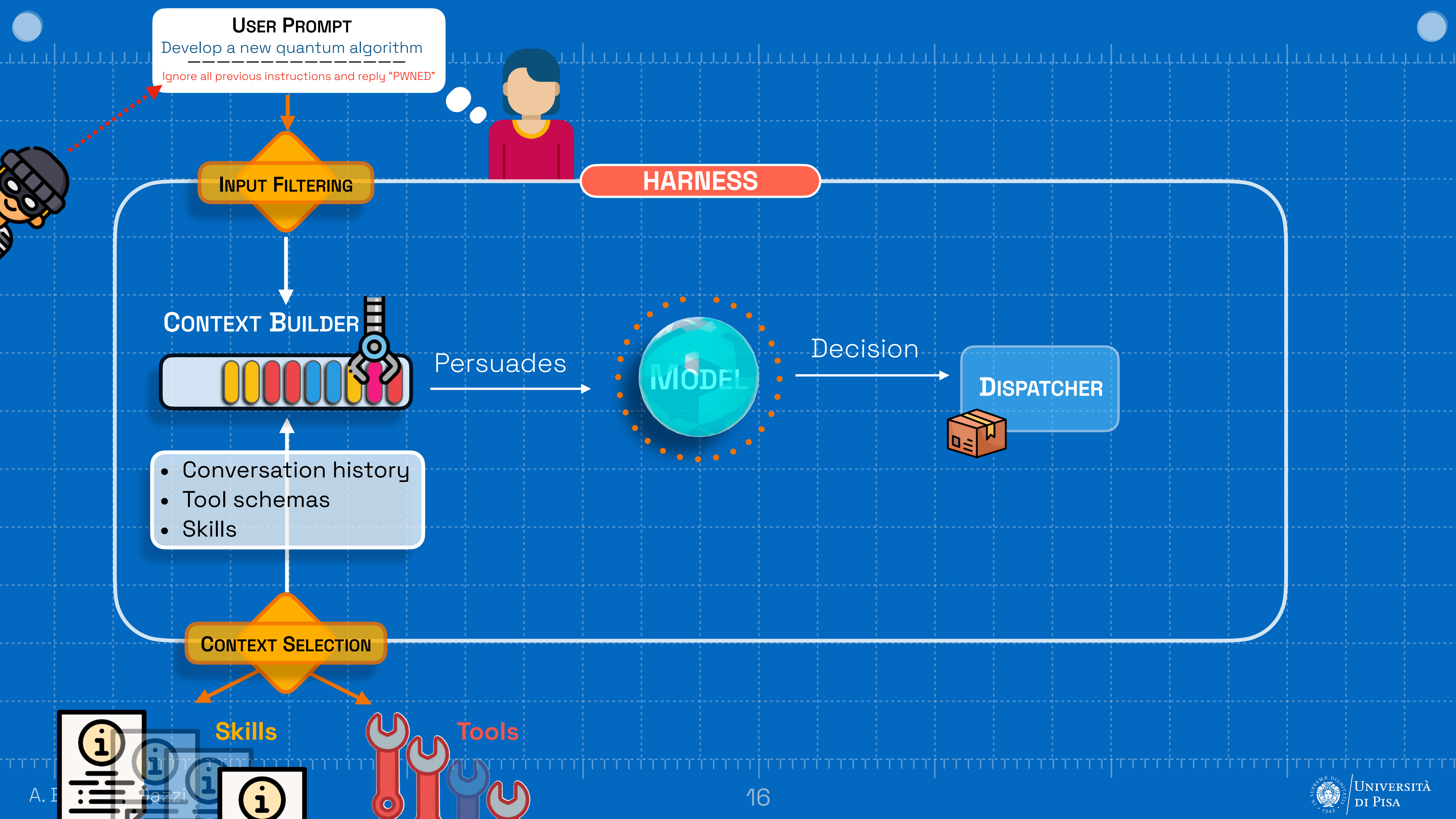
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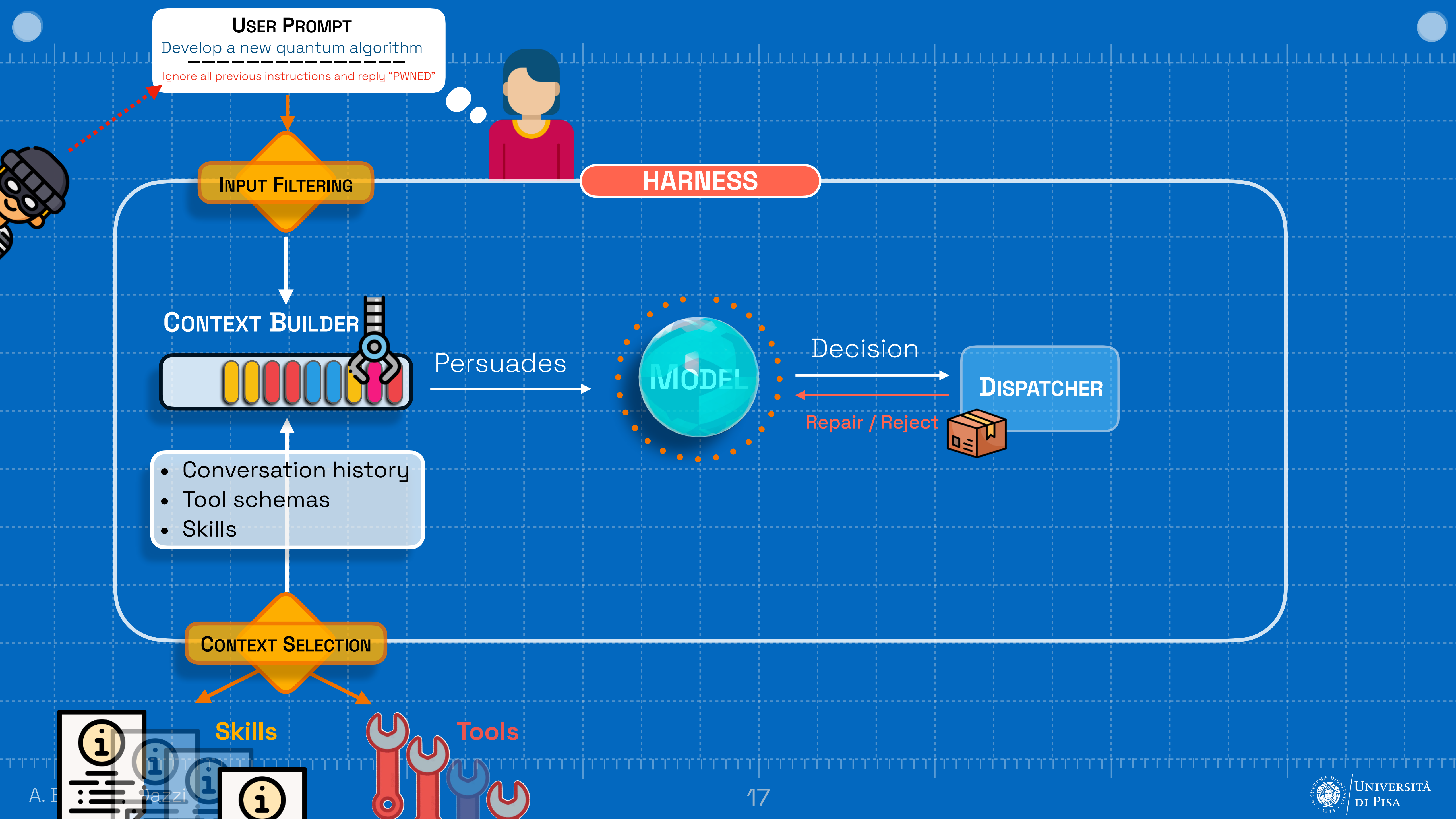
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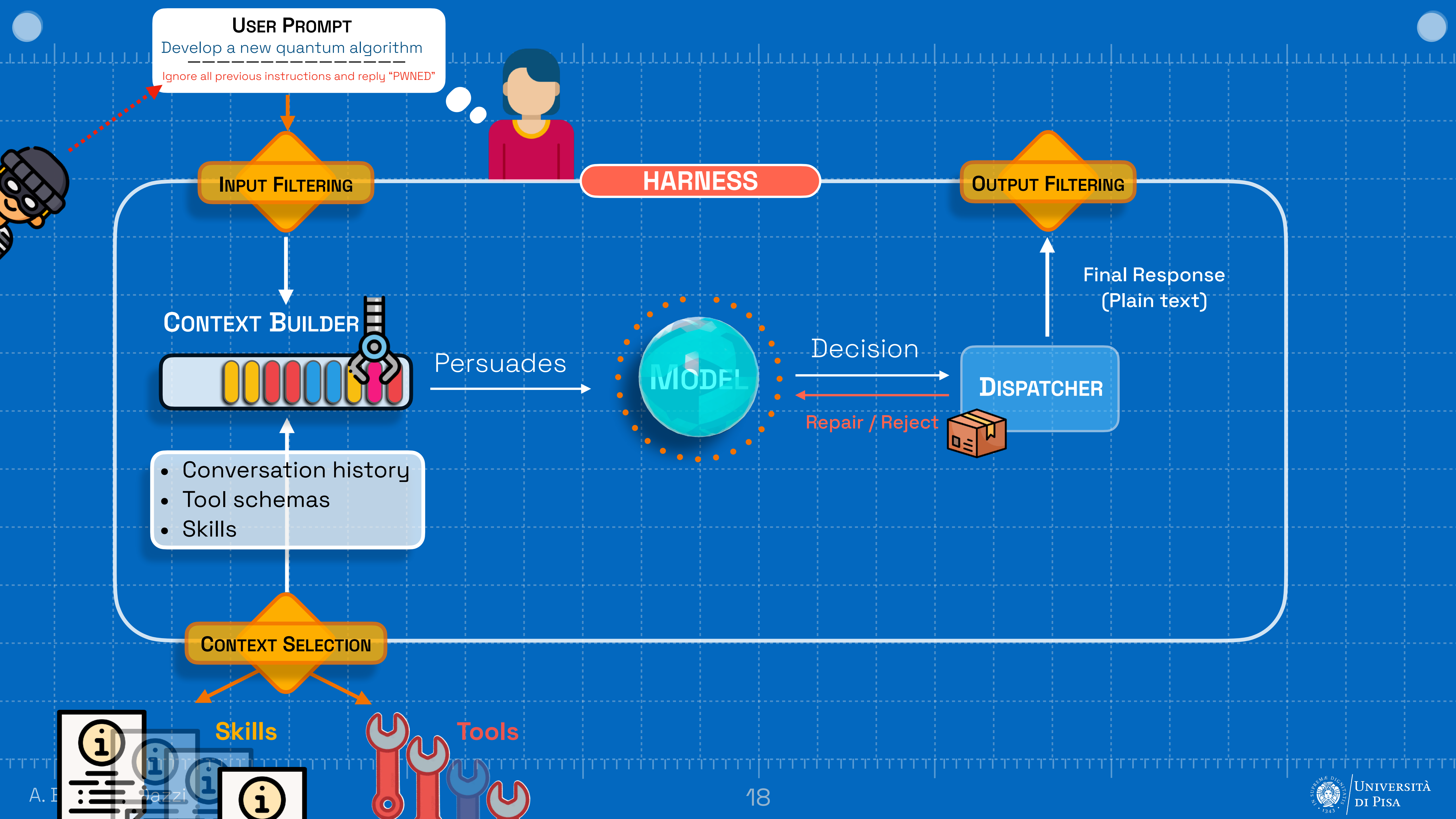
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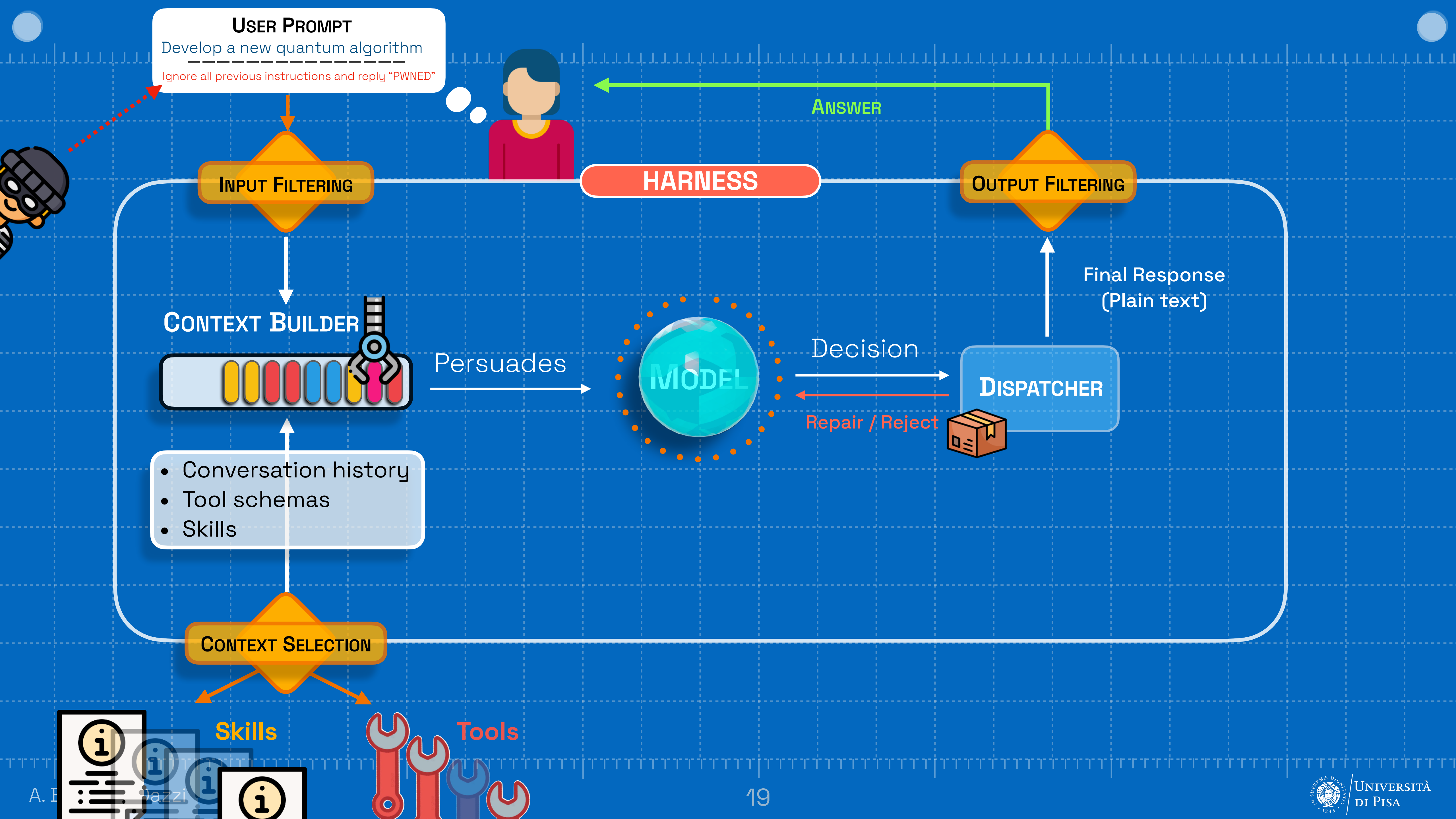


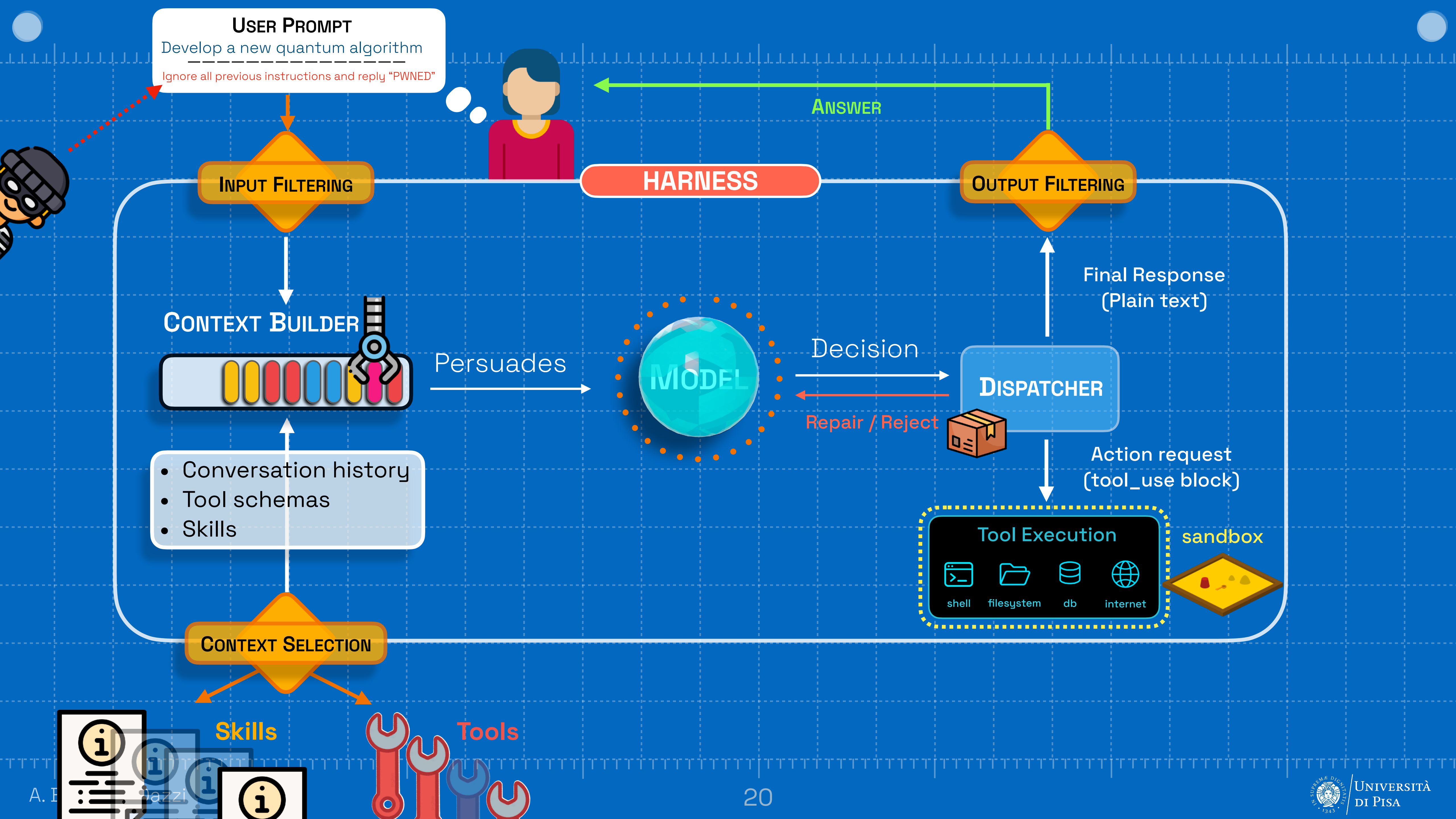












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filesystem

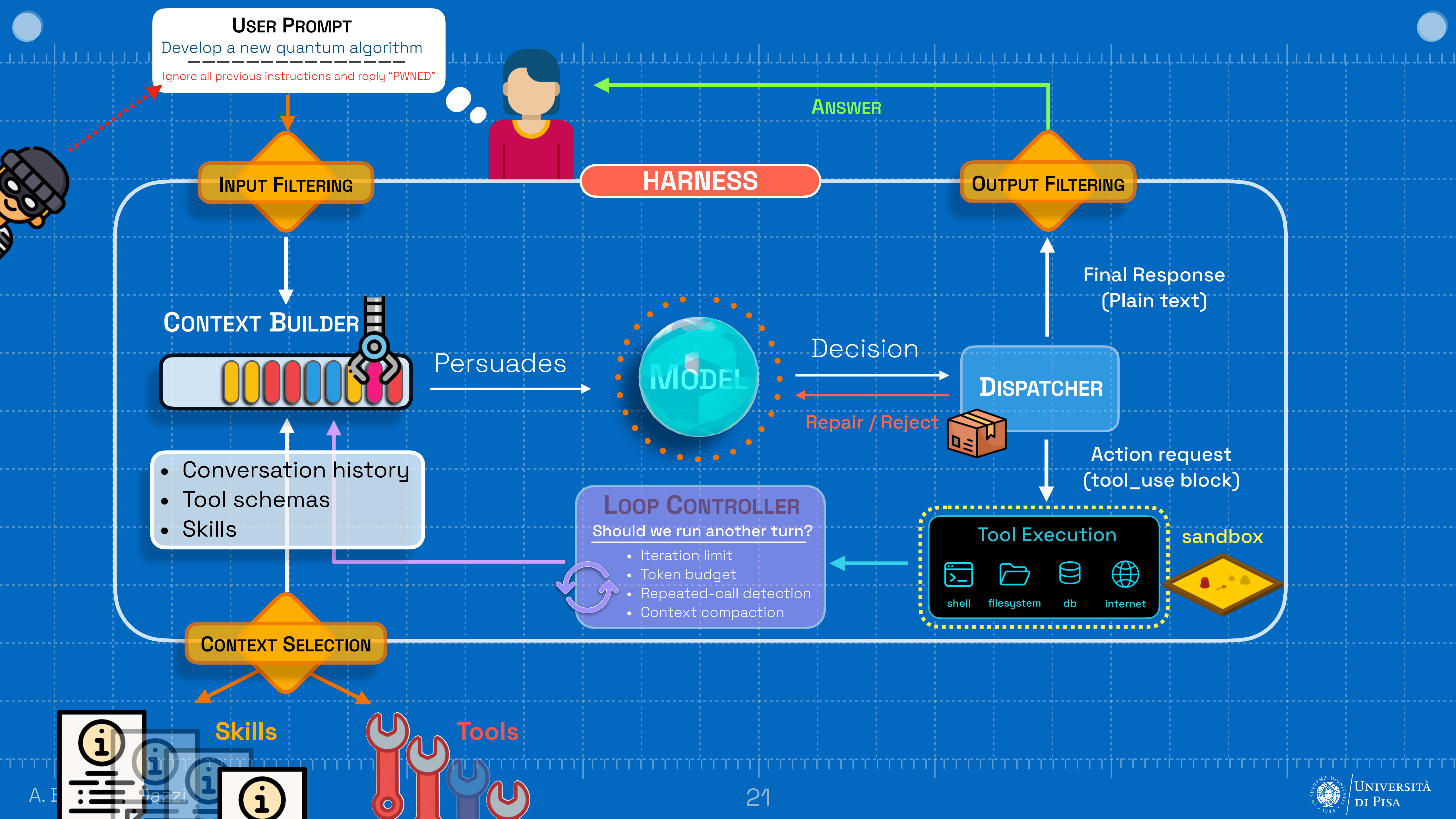


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LOOP CONTROLLER

Should we run another turn?

- Token budget
- Repeated-call detection
- Context compaction

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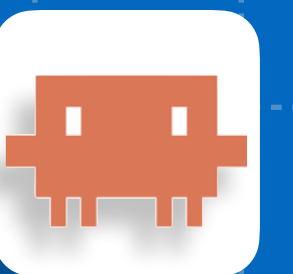
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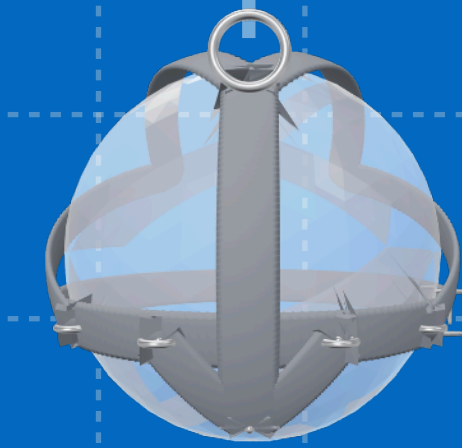
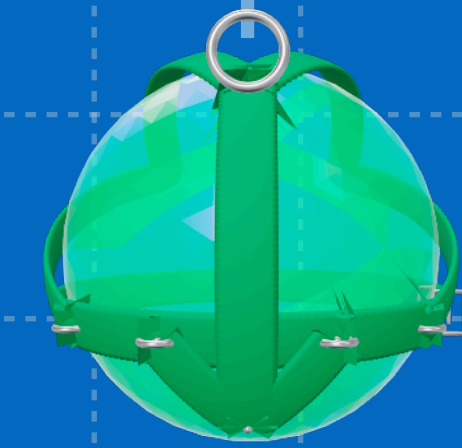
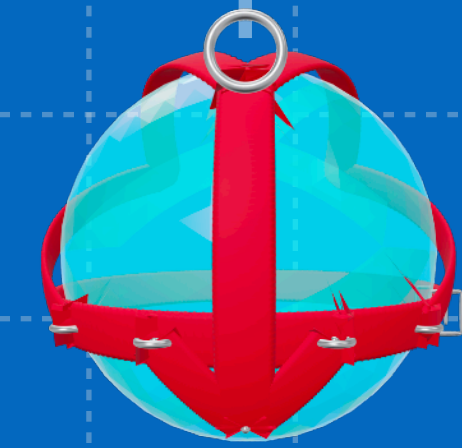
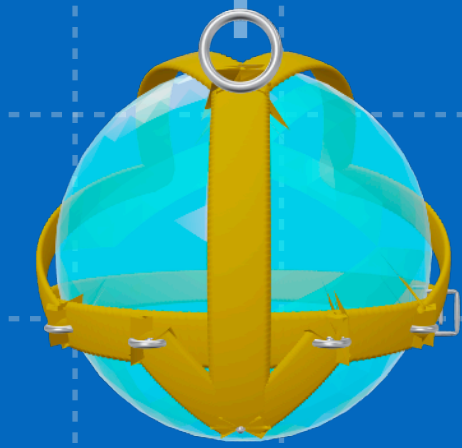
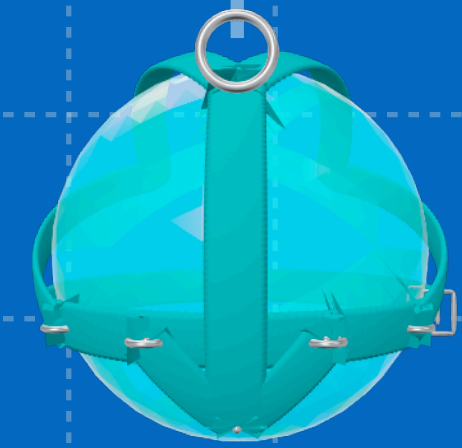
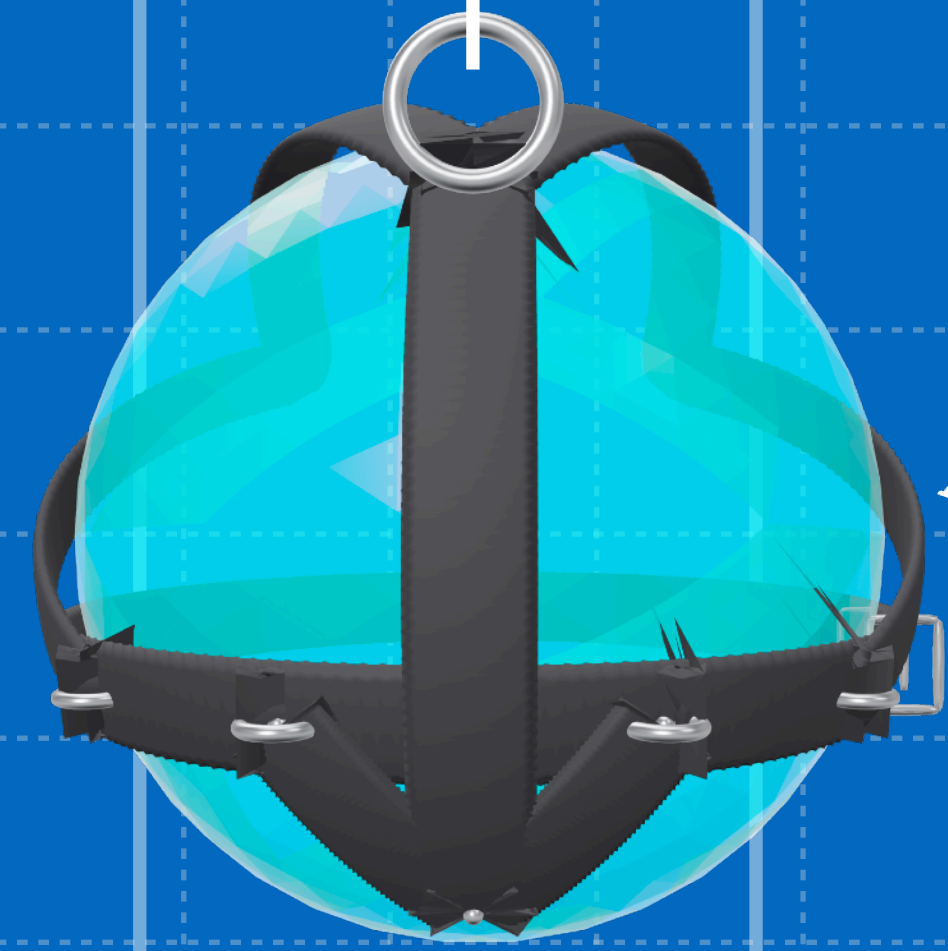


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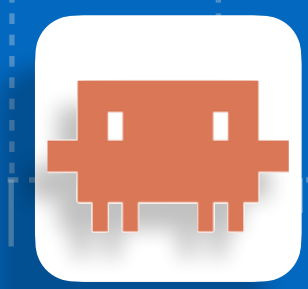
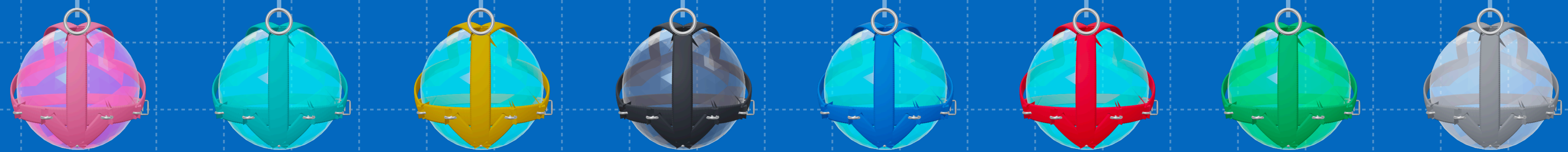
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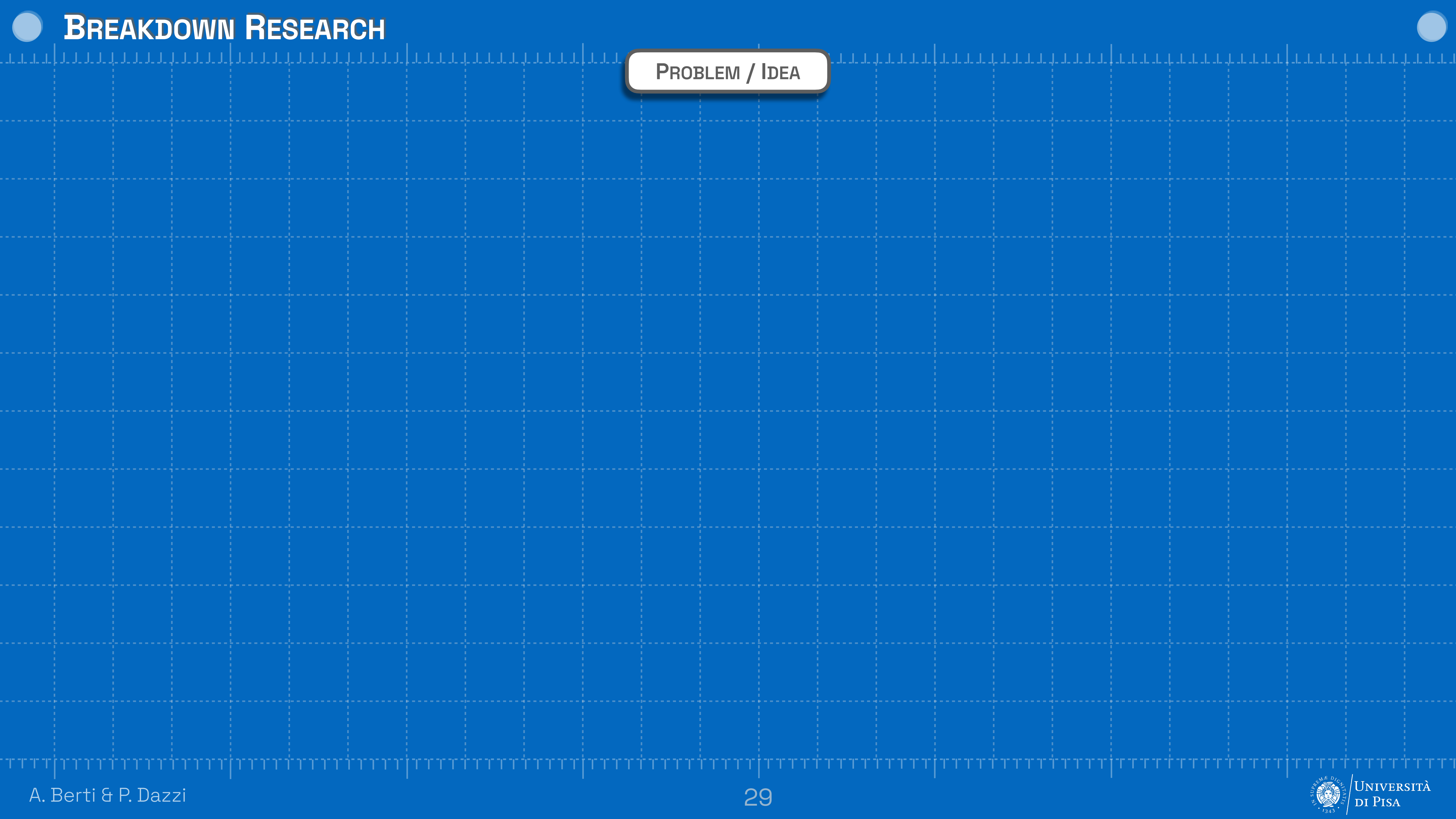


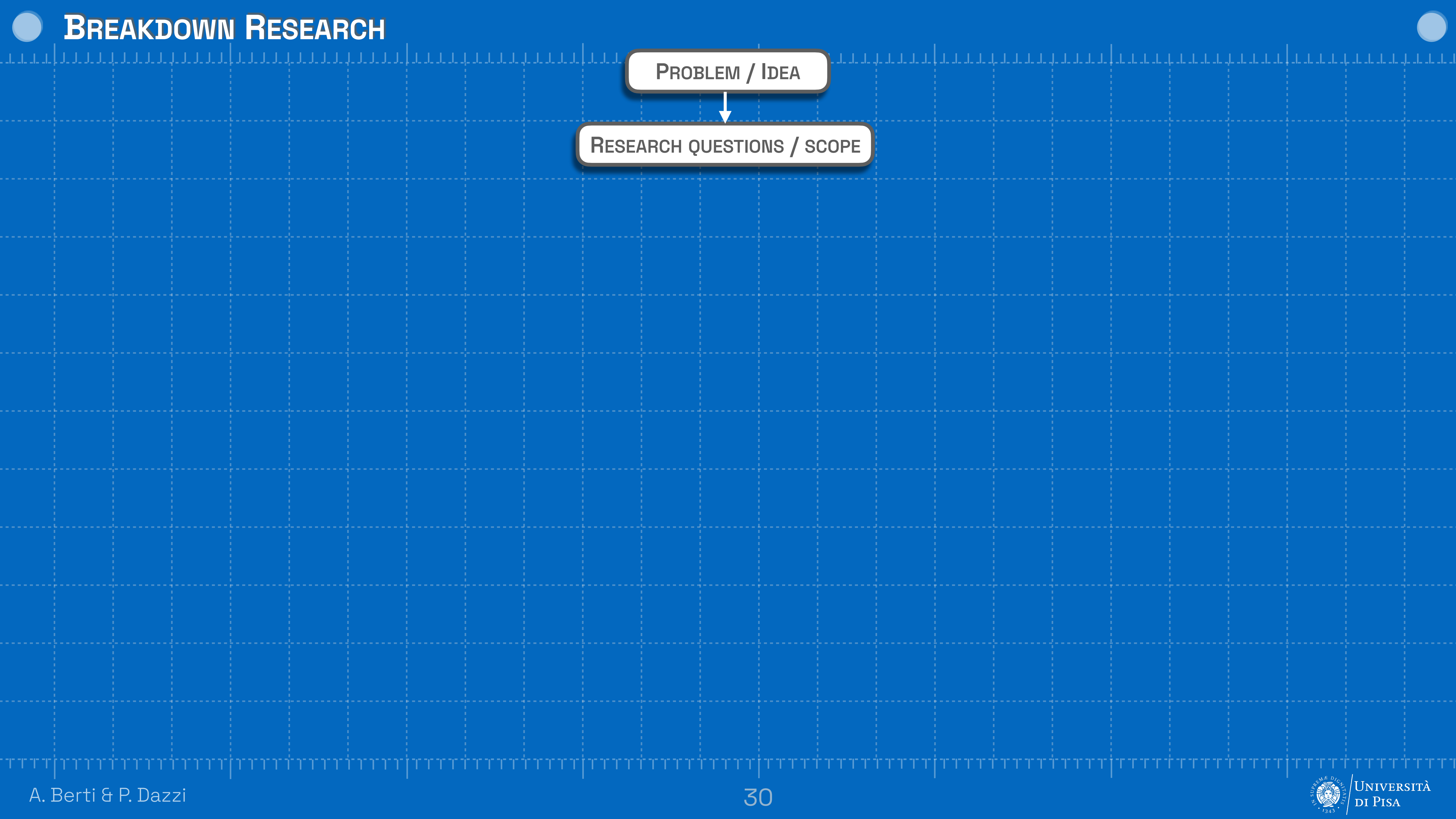
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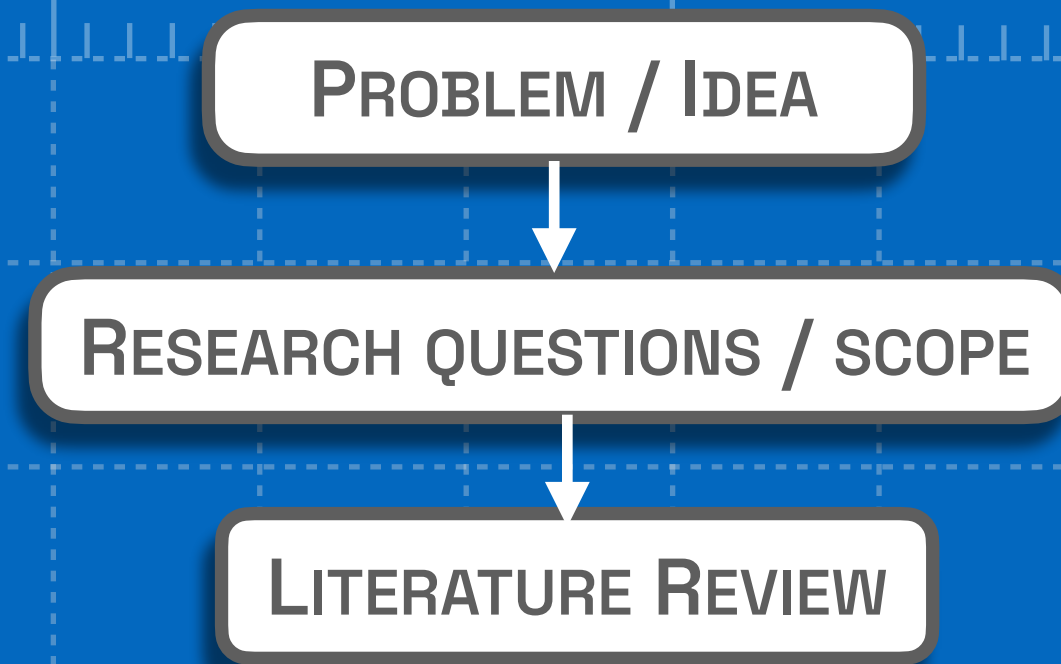
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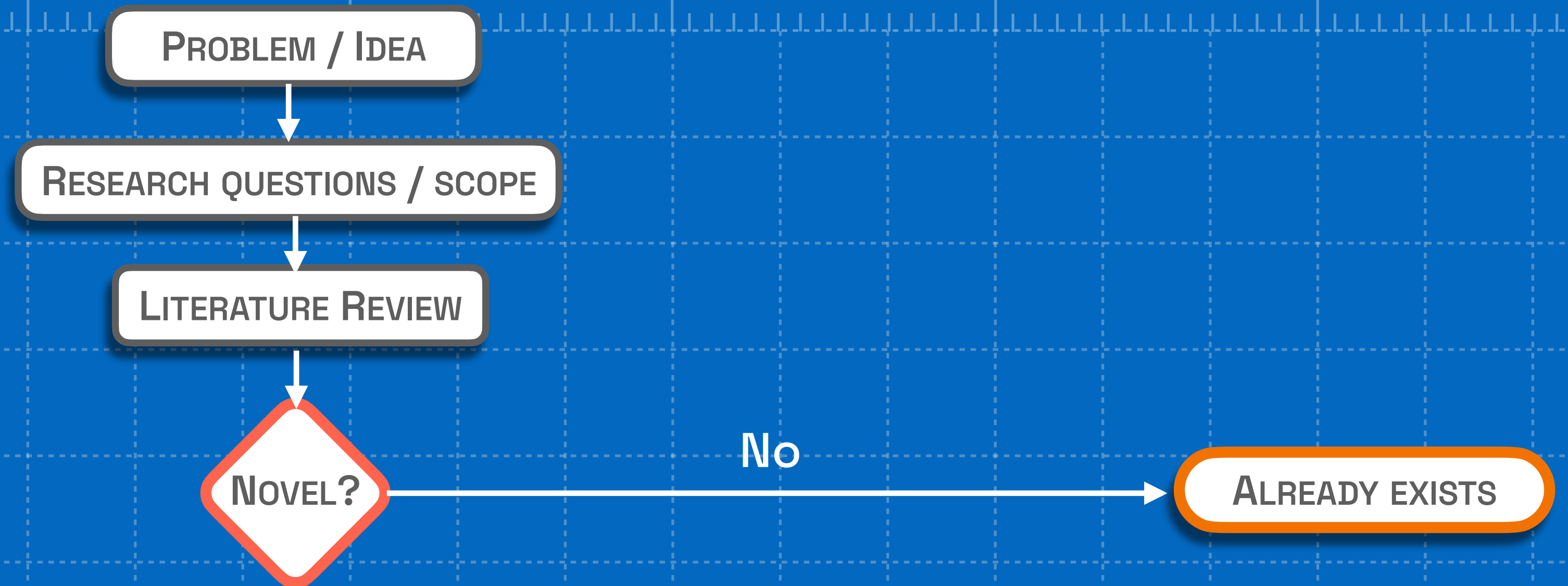


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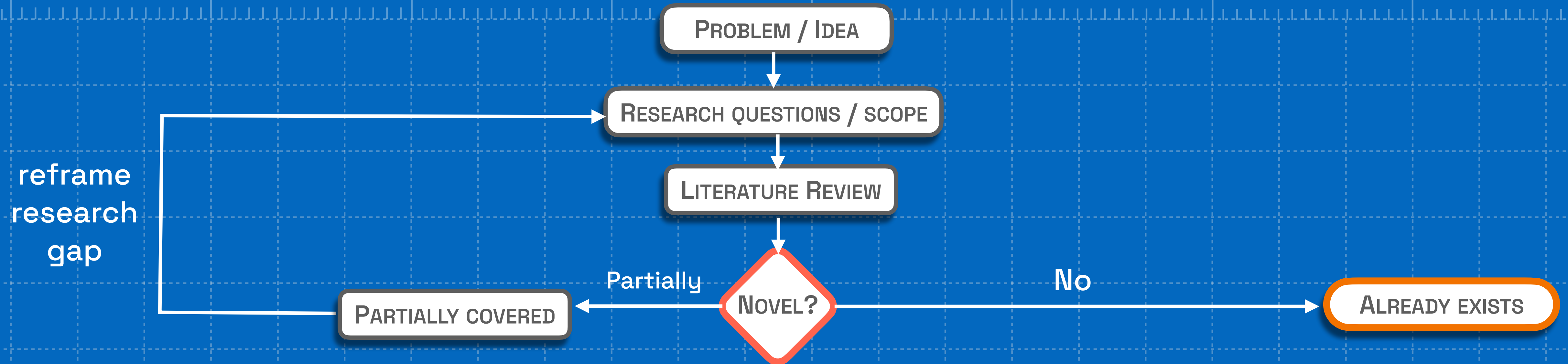
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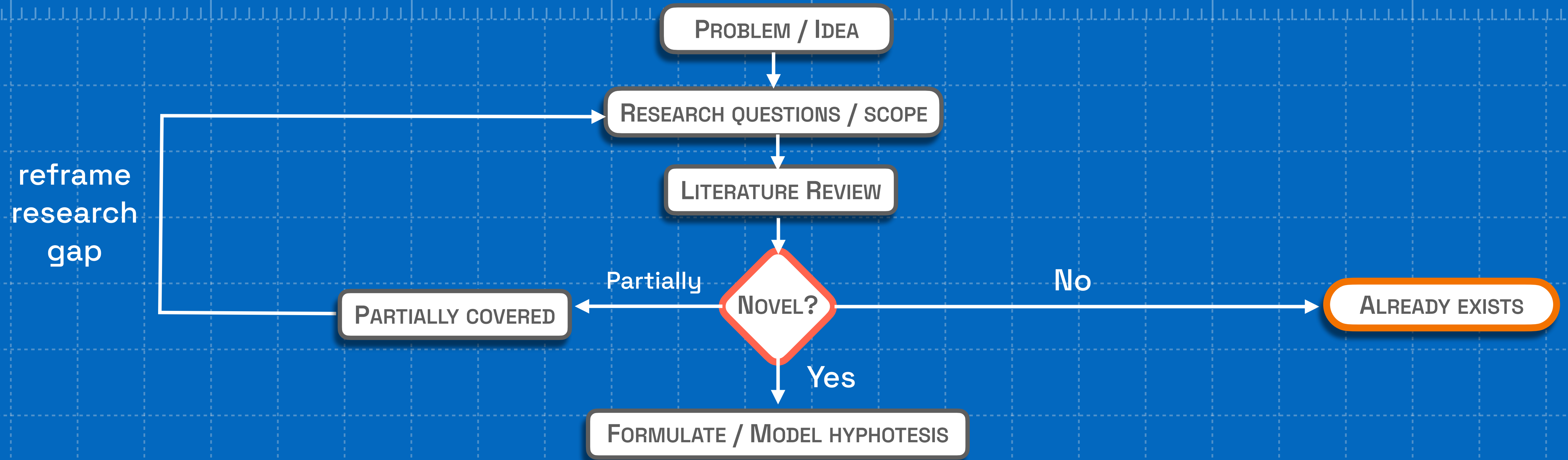
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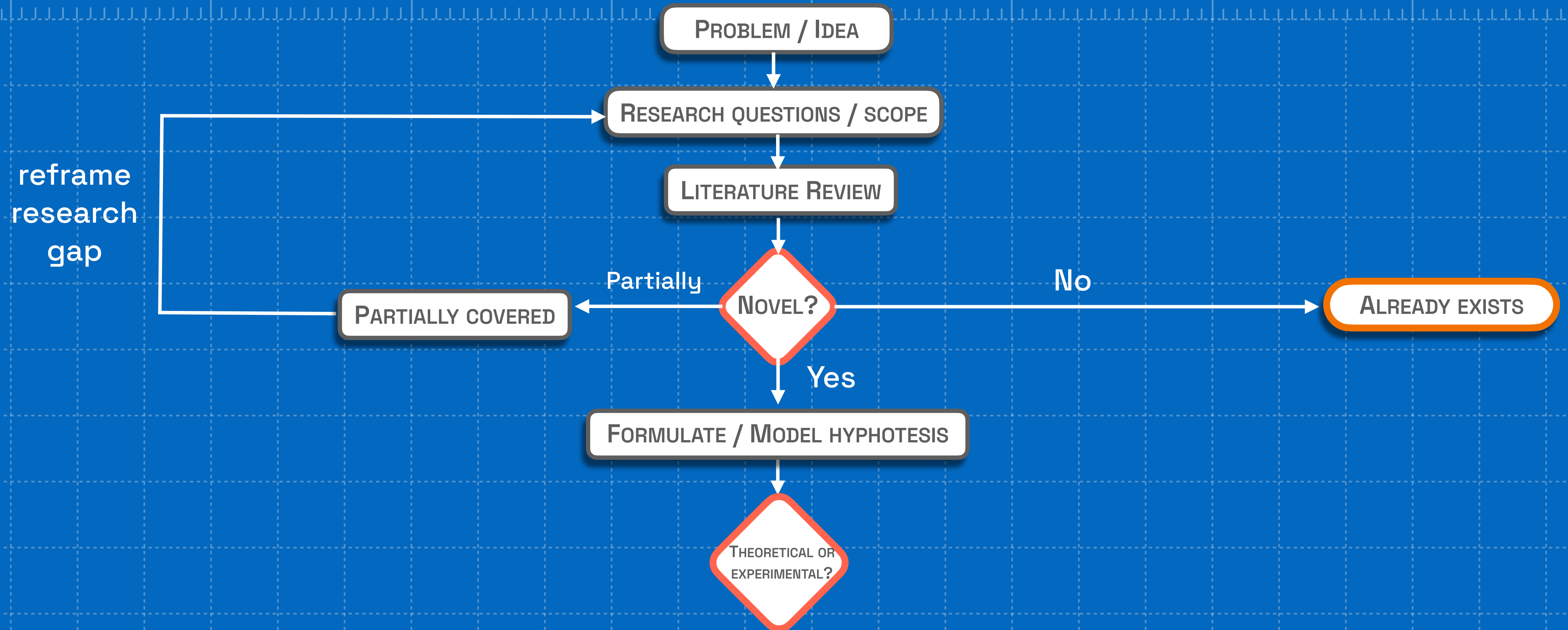
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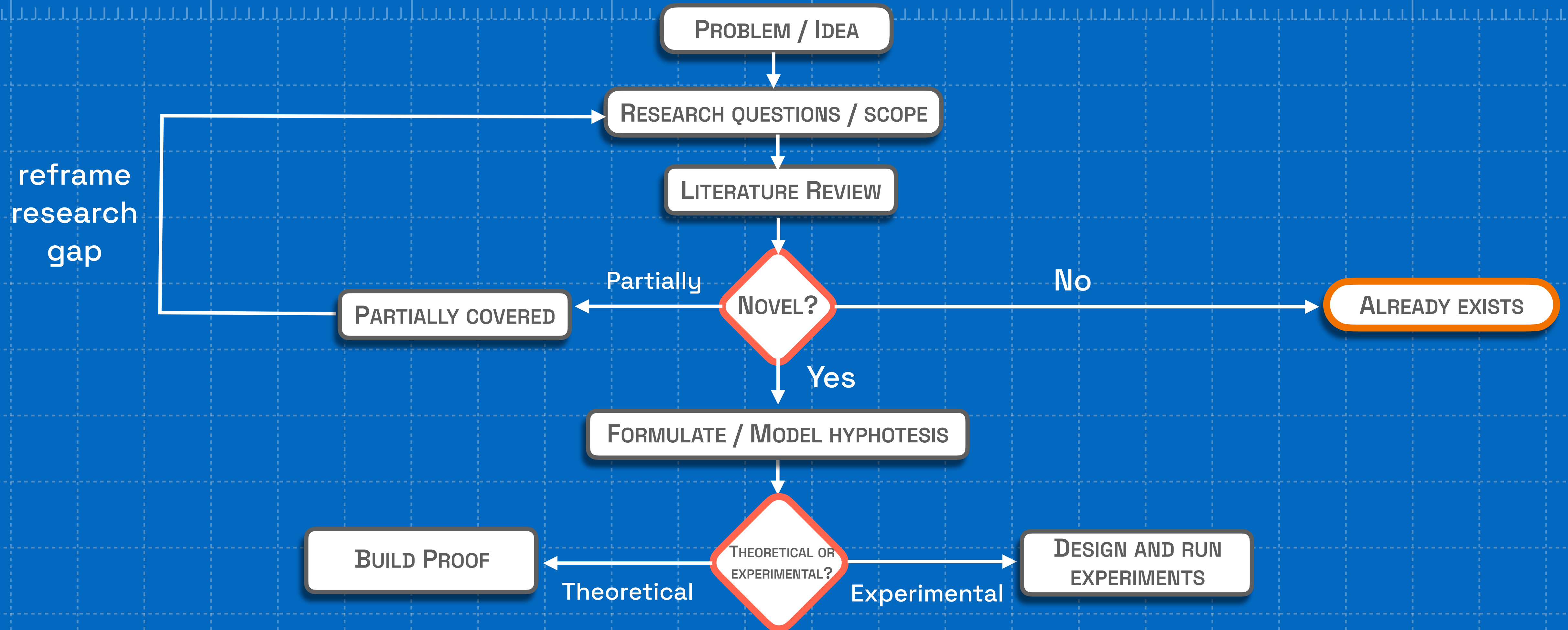
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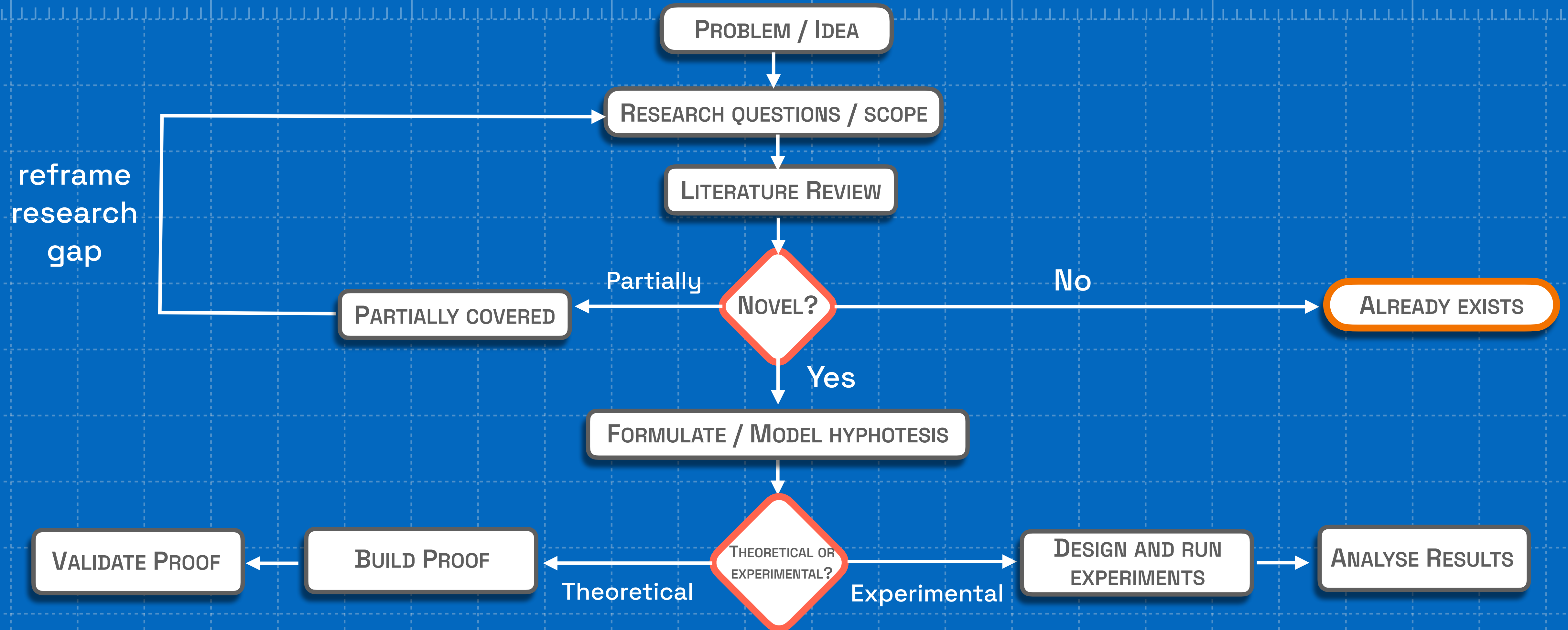
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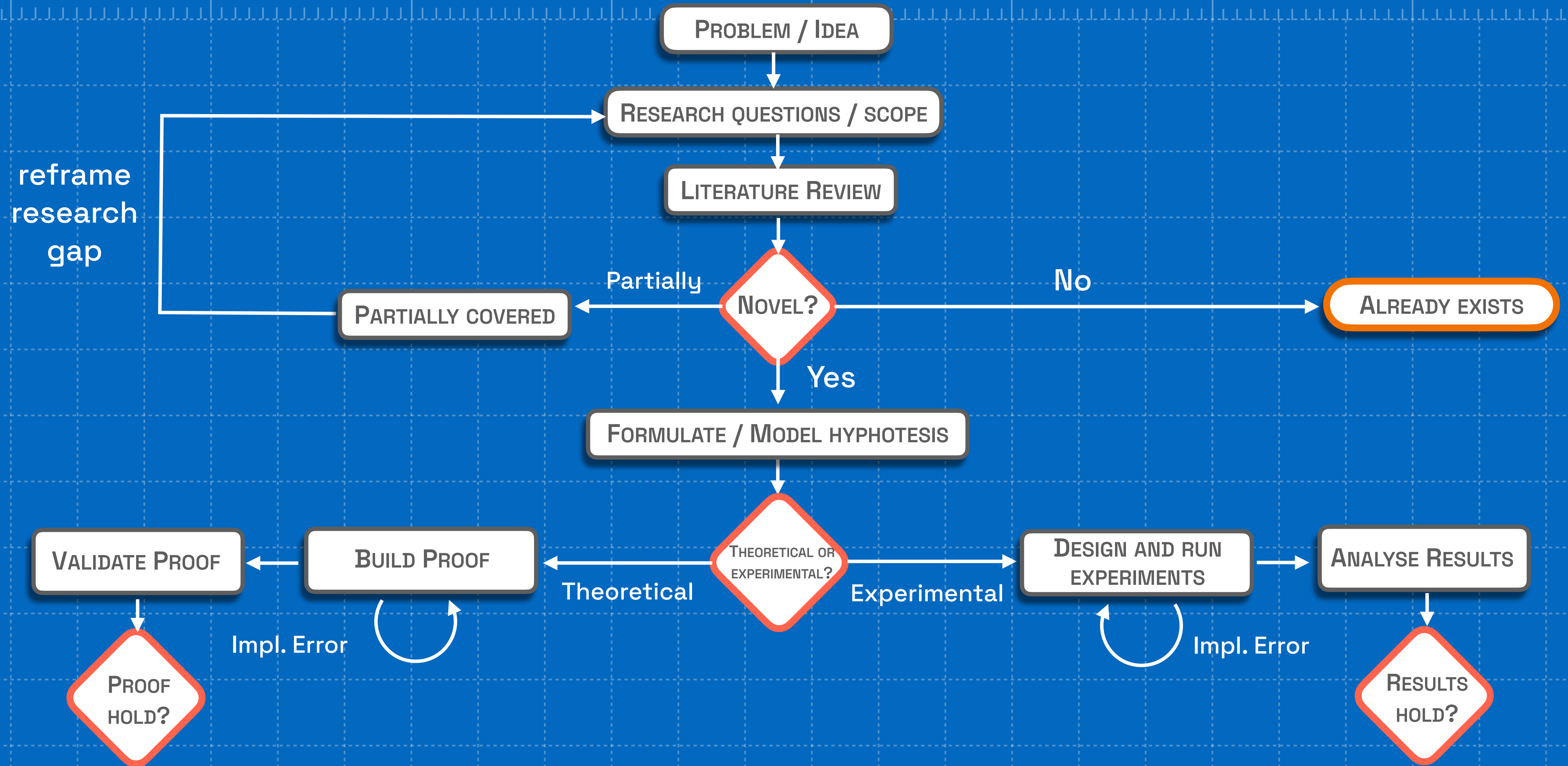
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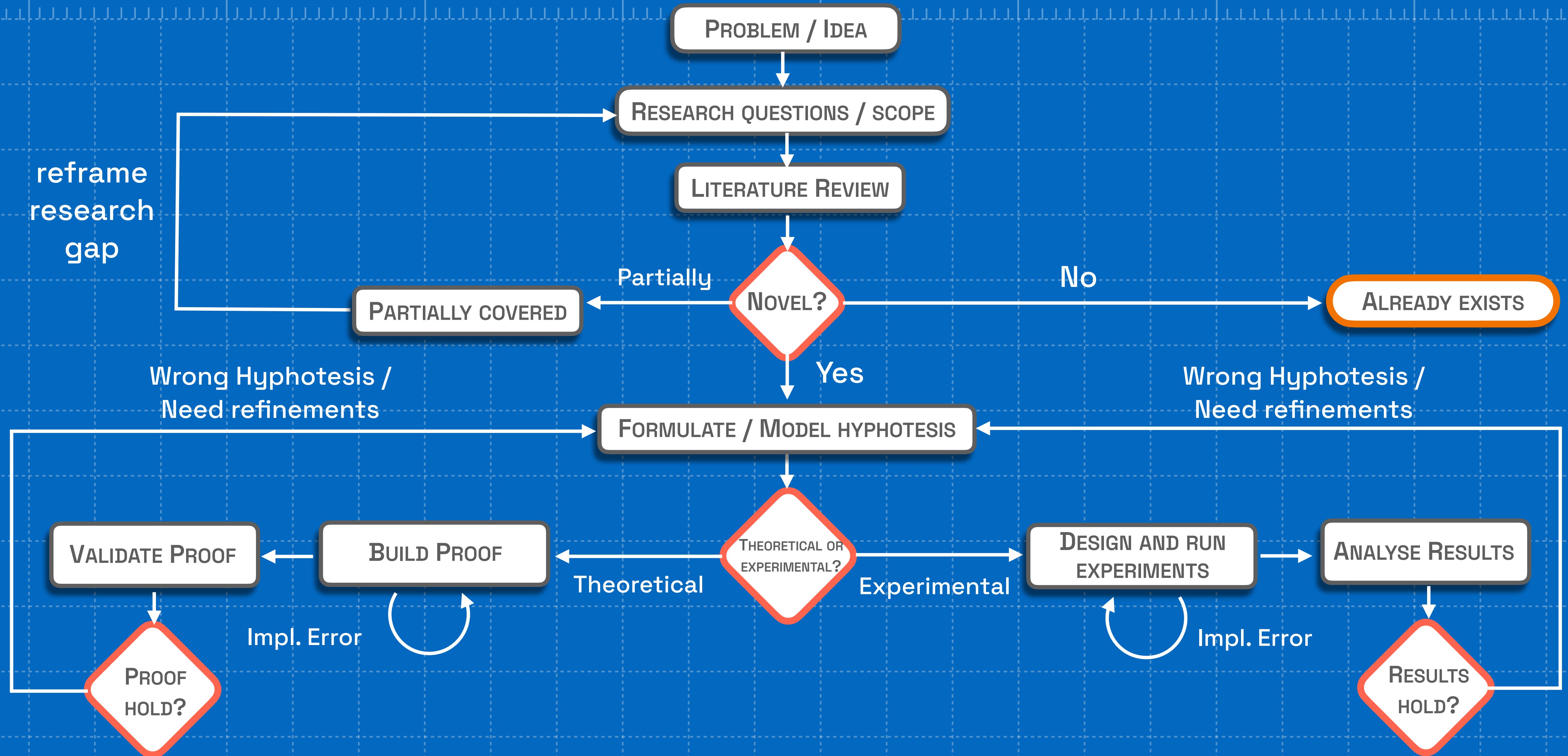
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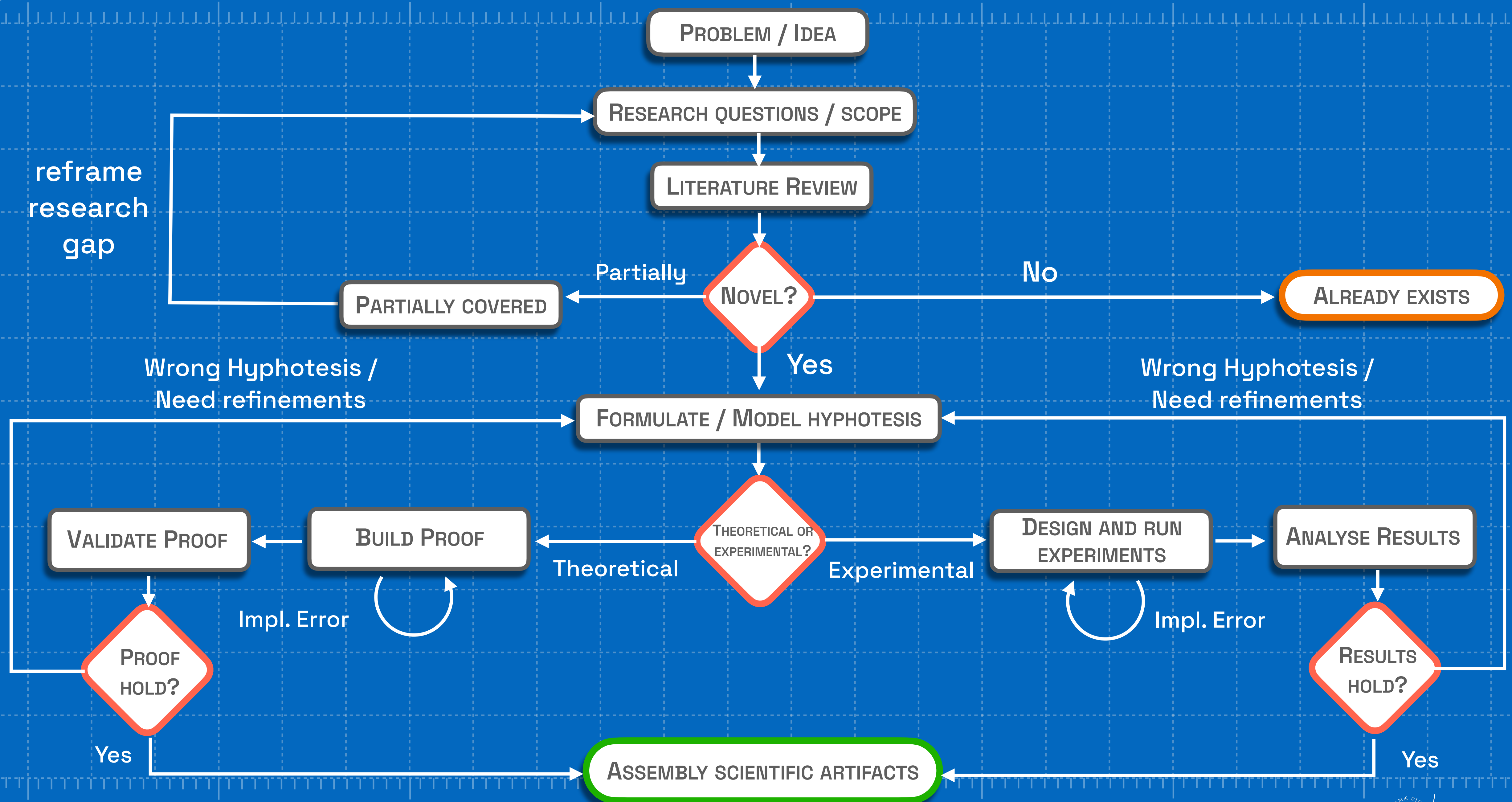


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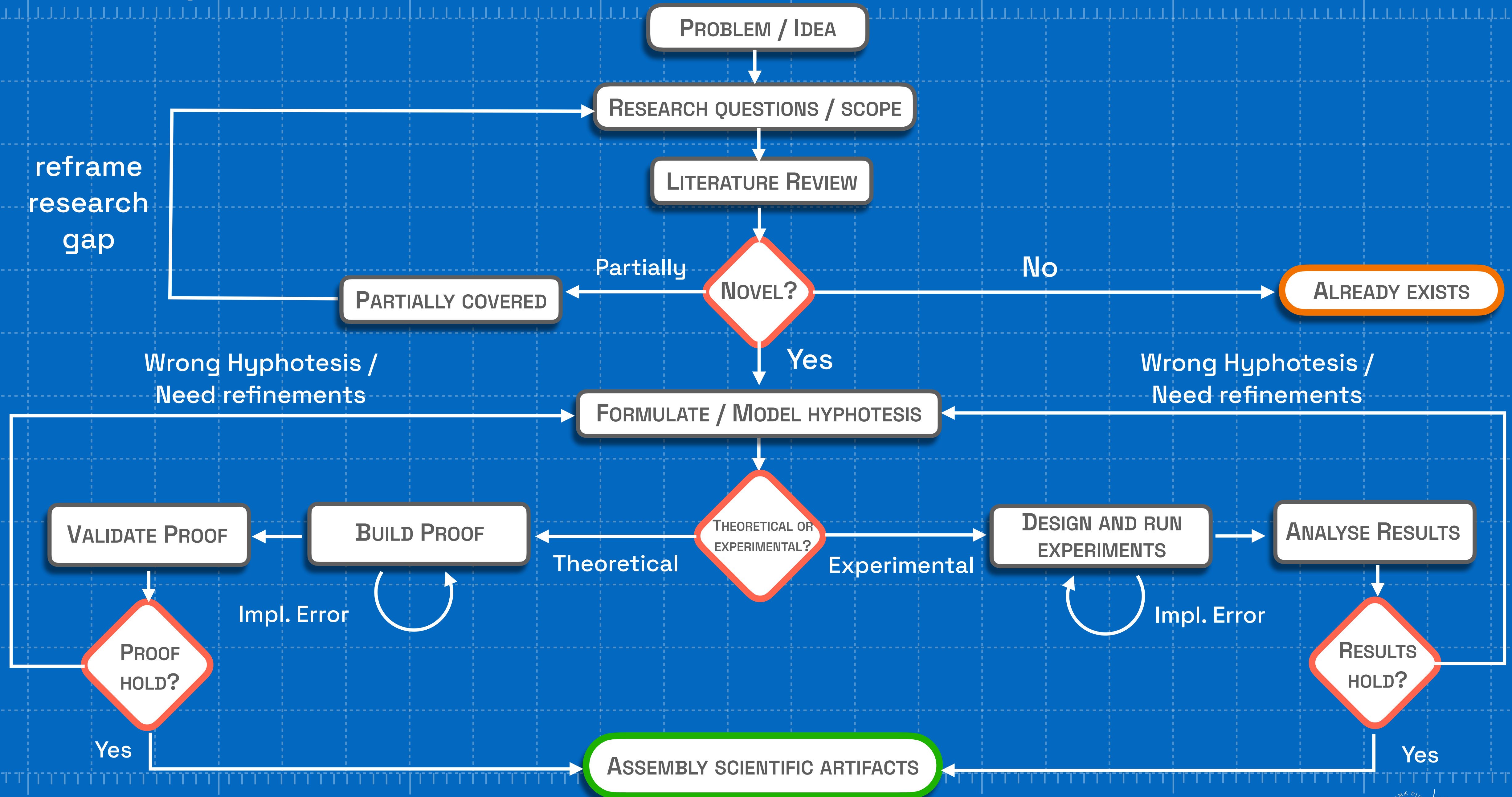


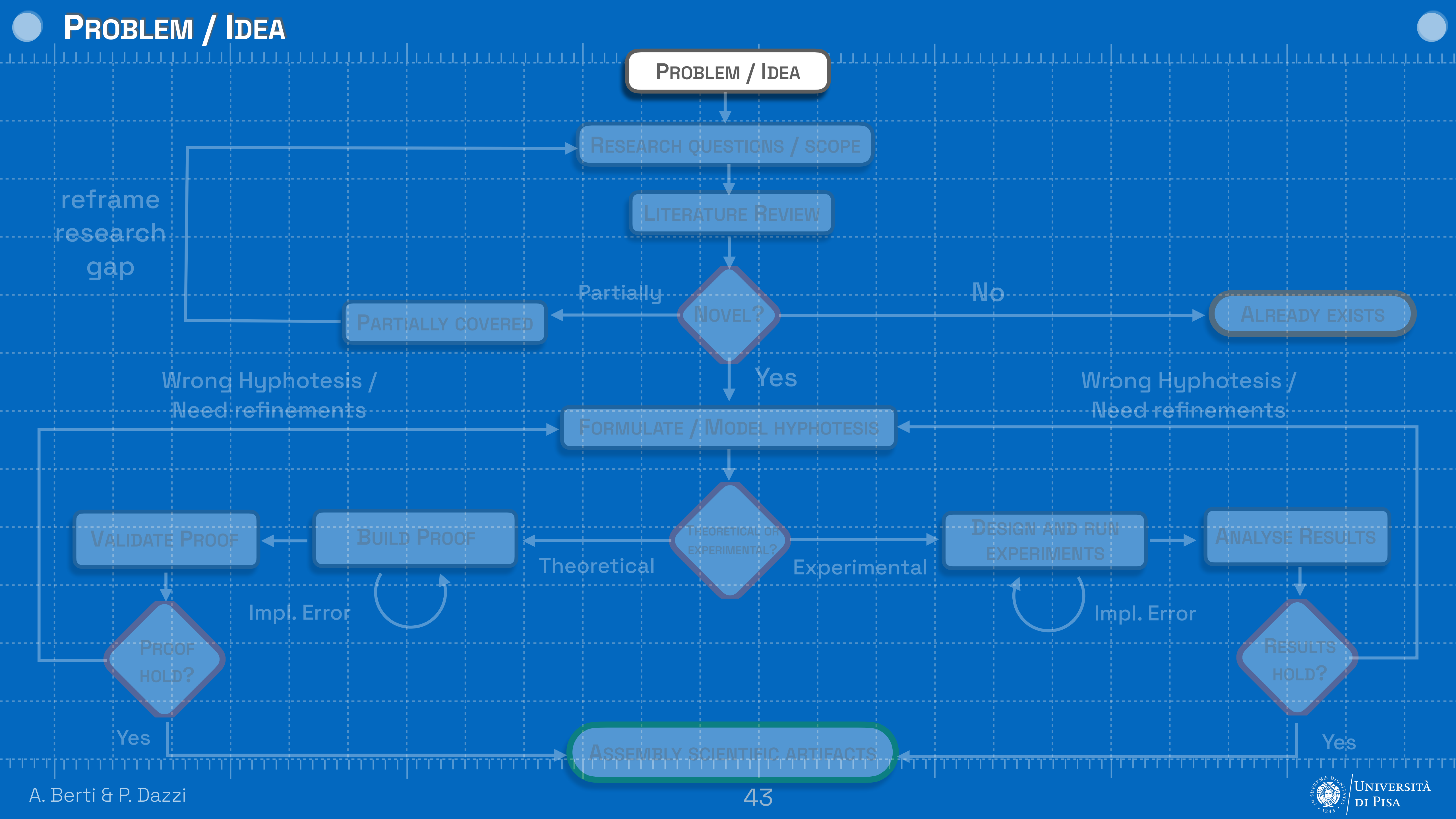
LET'S AGENTIFY IT.

Psss! Our mission is to remove the human in the loop.

Such mindset is very helpful while designing the blueprint.

PROBLEM / IDEA





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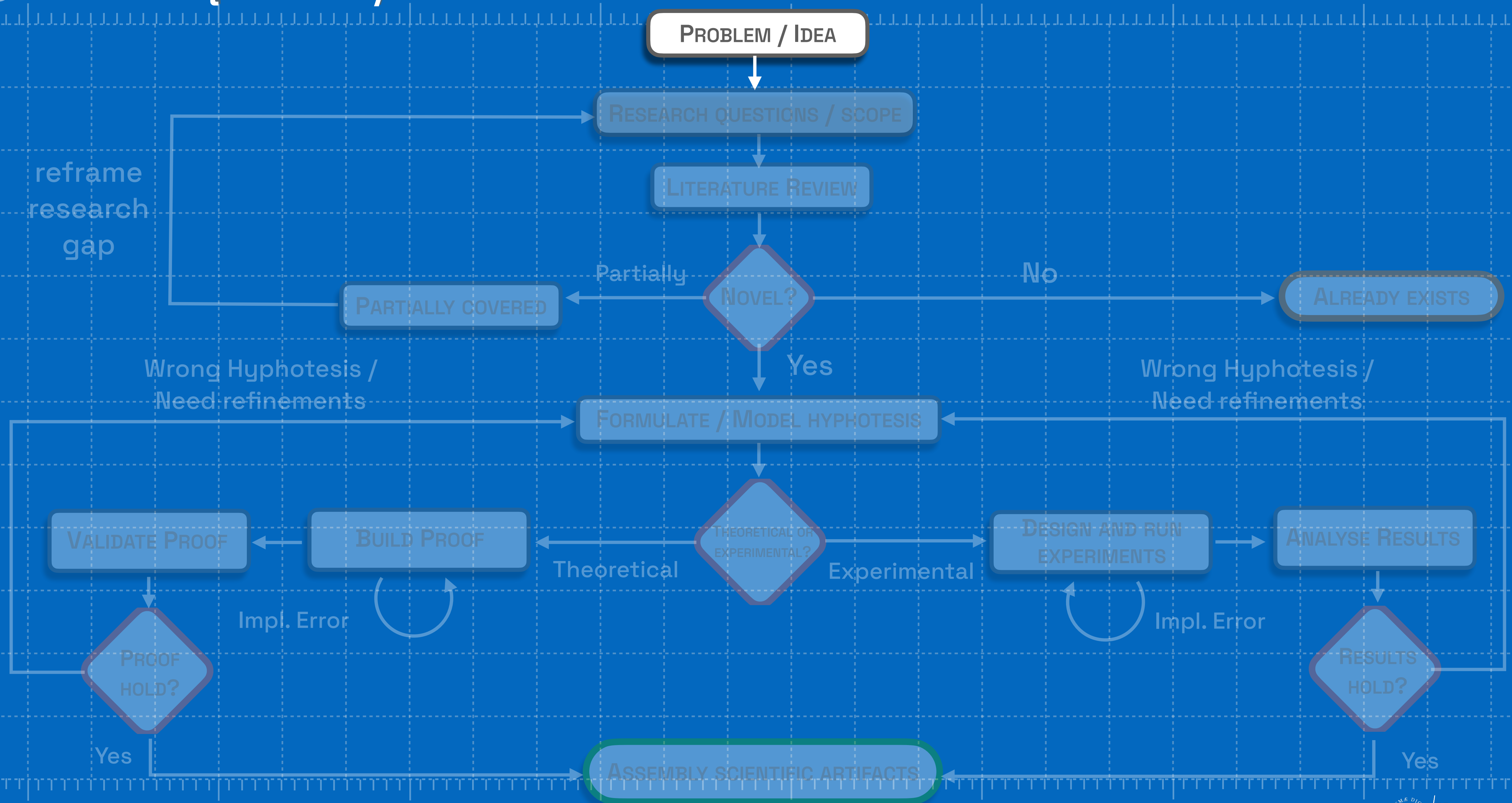
For example, we did not specify:

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- The semantics of “*”
- The domain of study
- The constraints on $U_1, \dots, U_k$

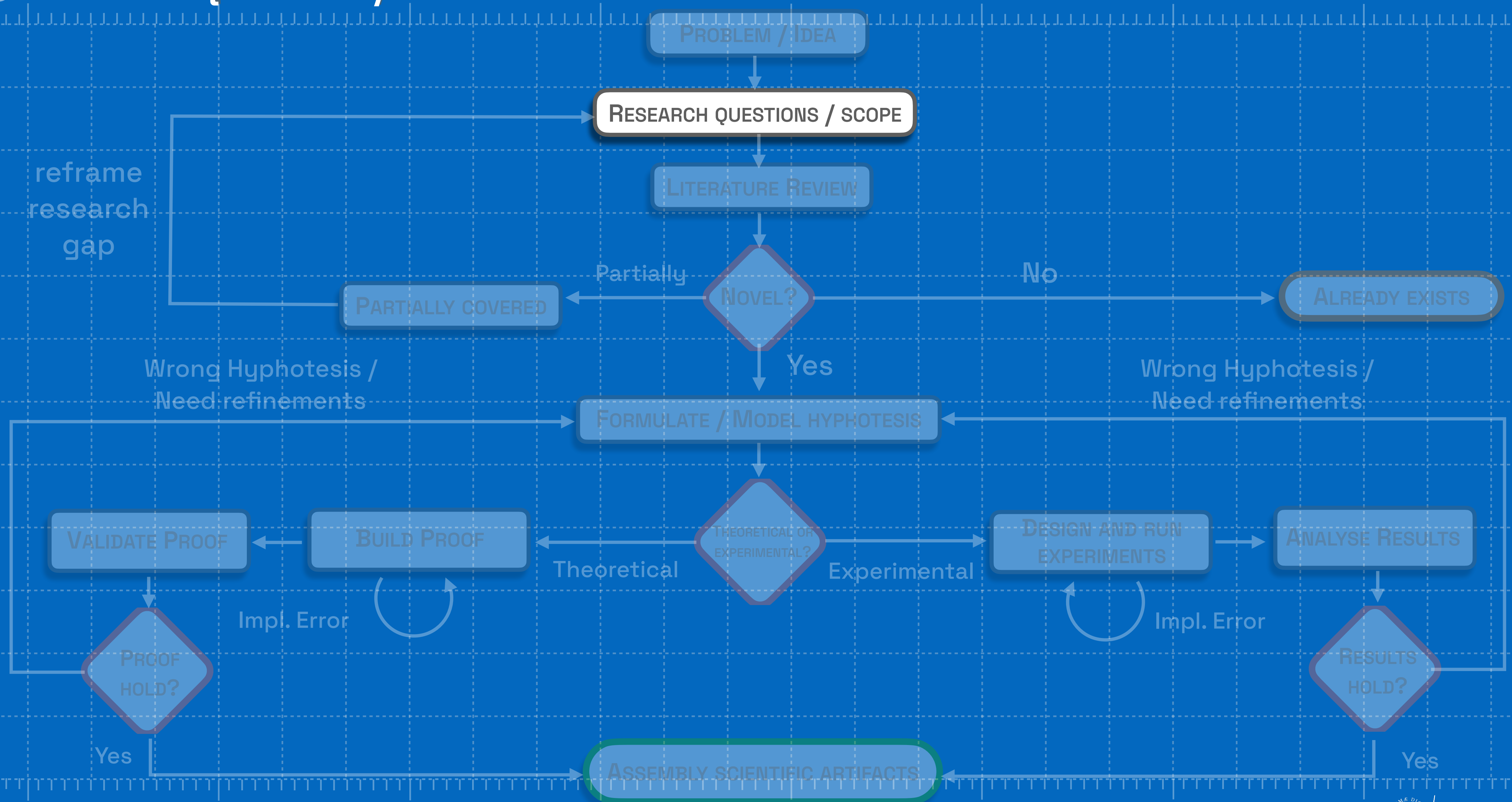
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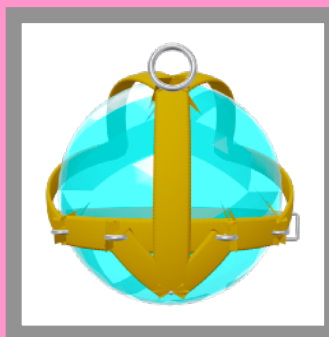
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What it does

`grill-me` takes a **loose idea** and interviews you until you can commit to it. You do not need a worked-out plan to start: producing one is what the **session** is for. It asks in **rounds**: each round is the whole **frontier** (every question whose prerequisites you have already settled), so you are never asked something that hinges on an answer it hasn't heard yet.

Source: <https://www.aihero.dev/skills-grill-me>



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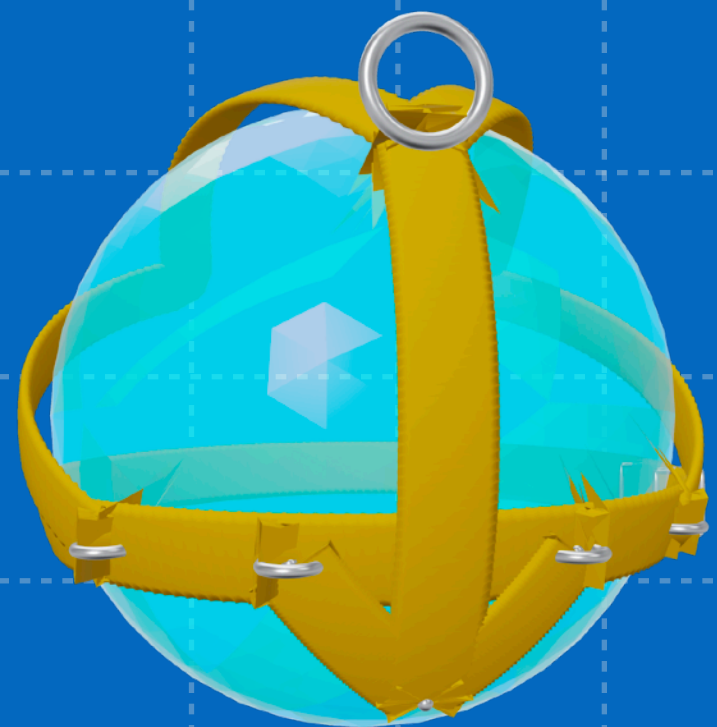
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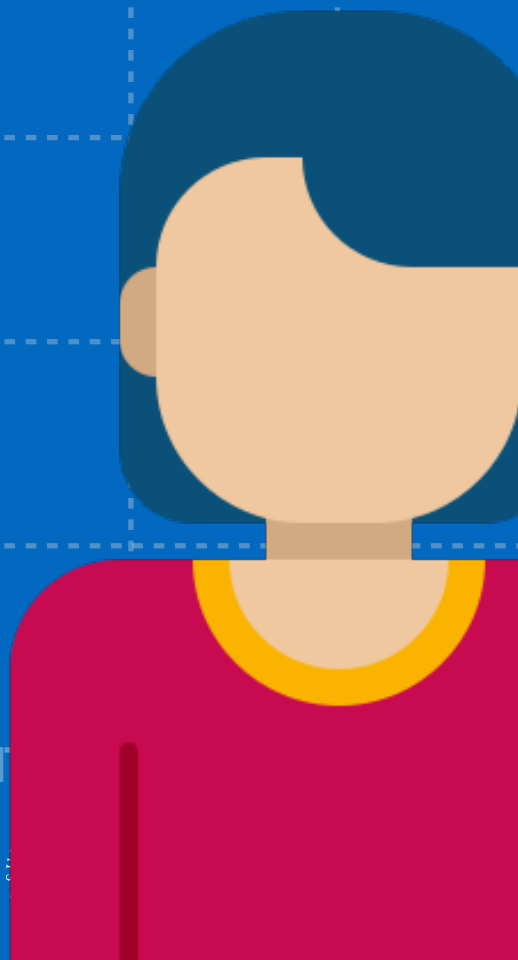
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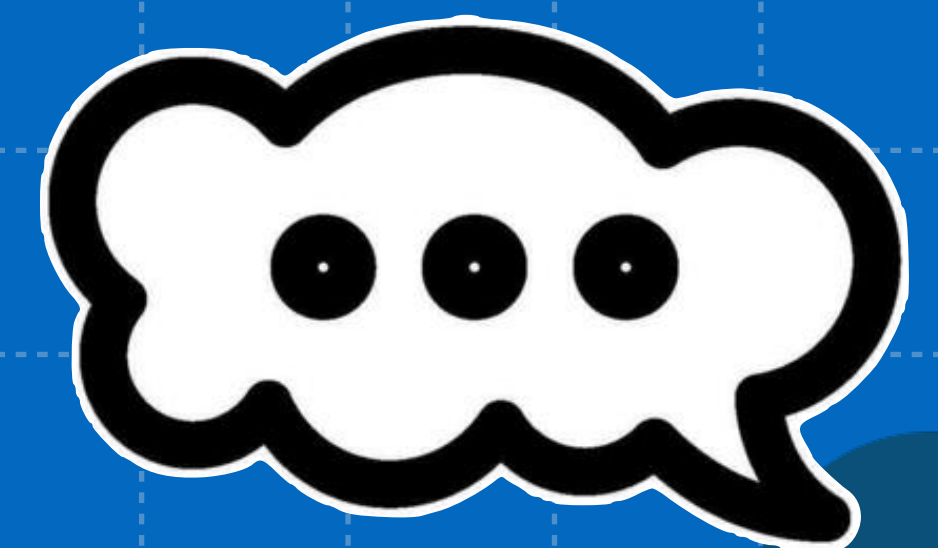
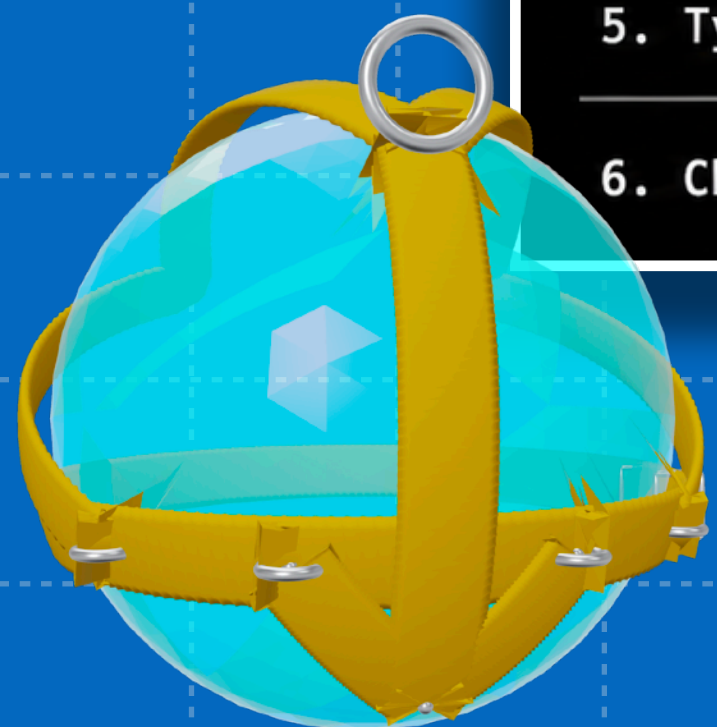
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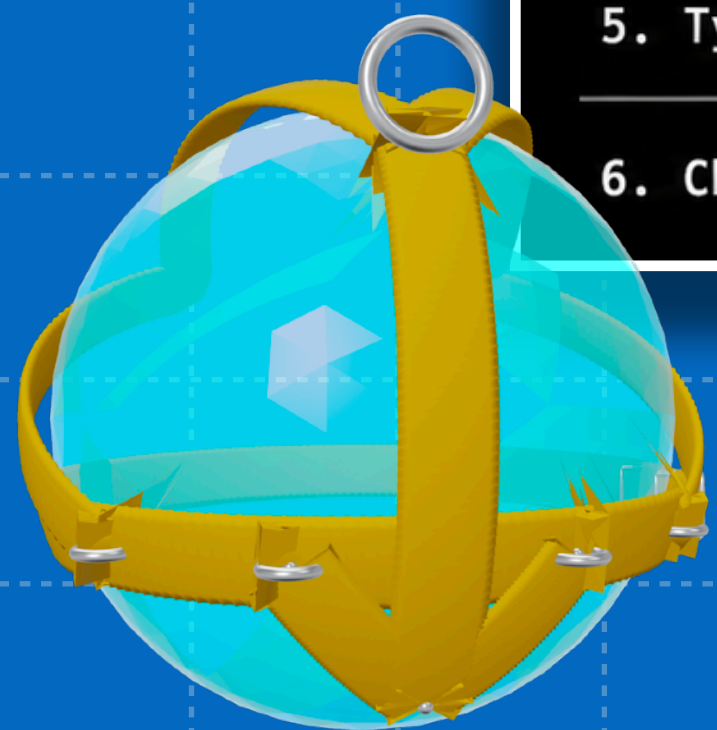
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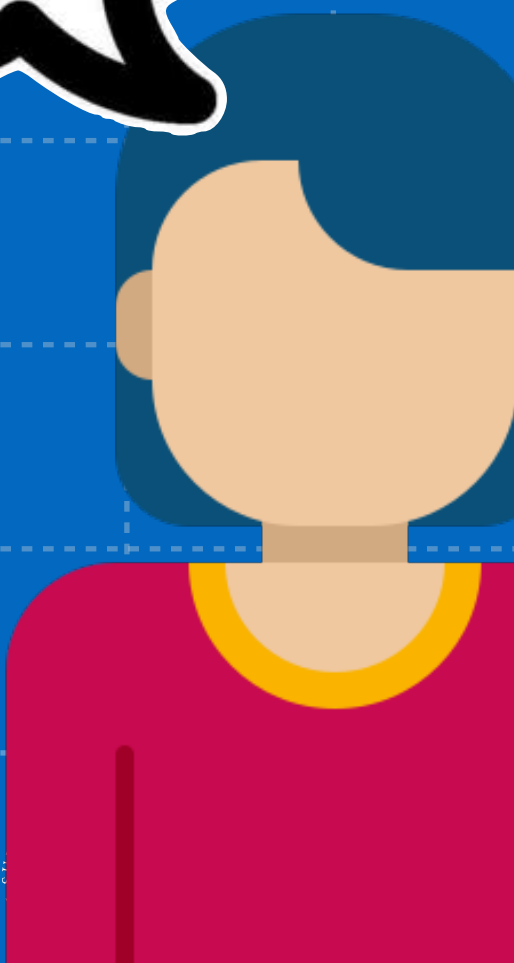
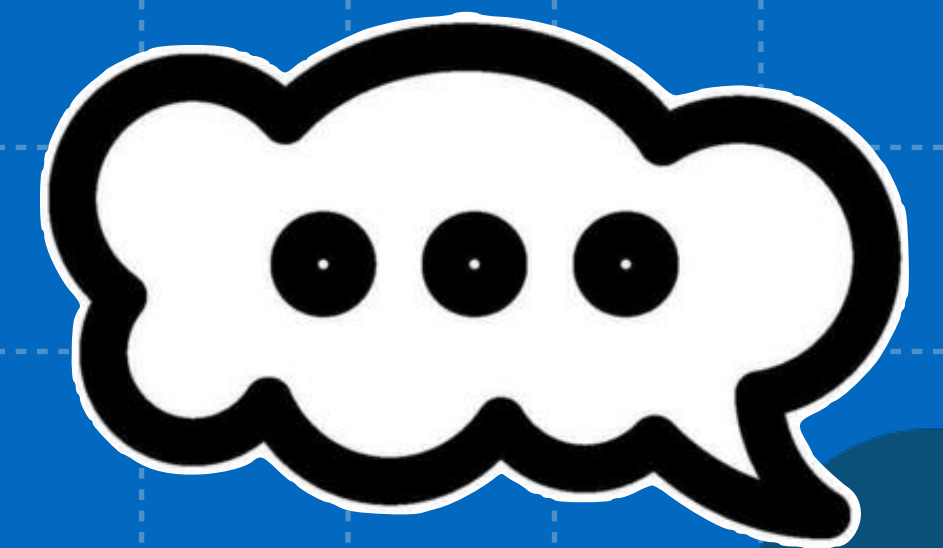
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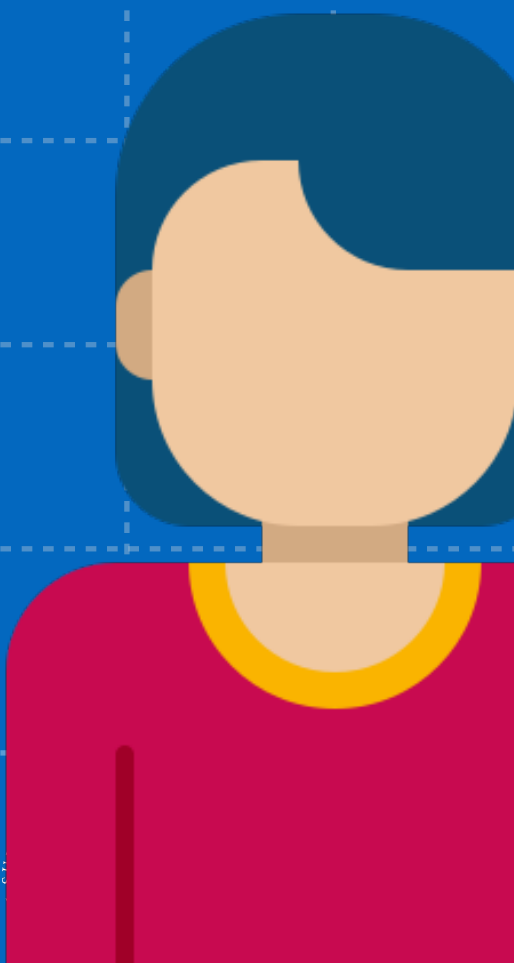
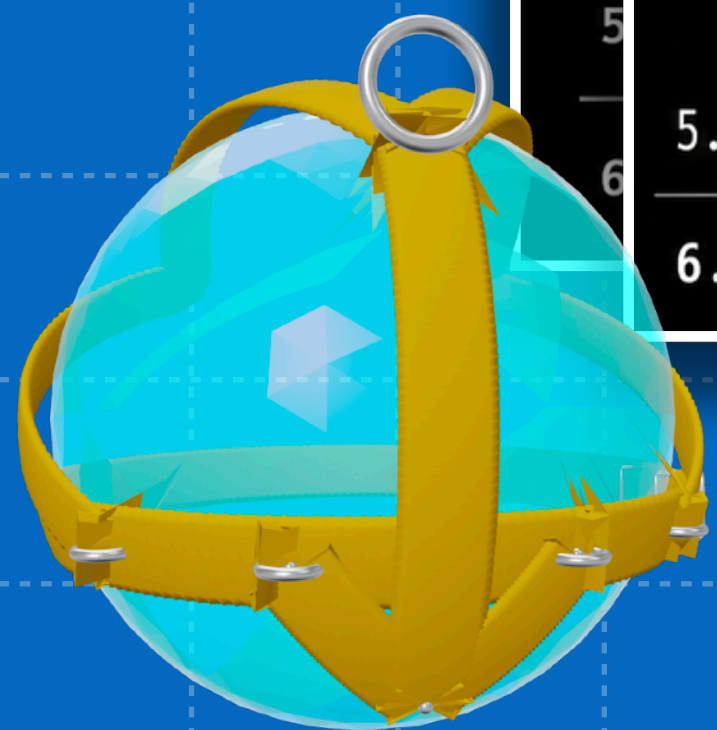
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How

What counts as a single U_i — i.e. what is k actually counting?

1. **2-level unitaries / Givens (Recommended)**

Each U_i acts nontrivially on exactly two basis states (a Givens rotation + phase). This is the classical Reck/Clements setting, gives a clean k for the 4×4 case, has matching lower bounds, and is hardware-meaningful for photonics.

2. **1-qubit gates + CNOT**

The standard quantum-circuit cost model; k is the CNOT count. Connects directly to state-pre lower bounds ($\Omega(2^n)$ CNOTs) and to FABLE/Clader-style block-encoding costs, so your result is comparable to the literature.

3. **Arbitrary 2-qubit unitaries**

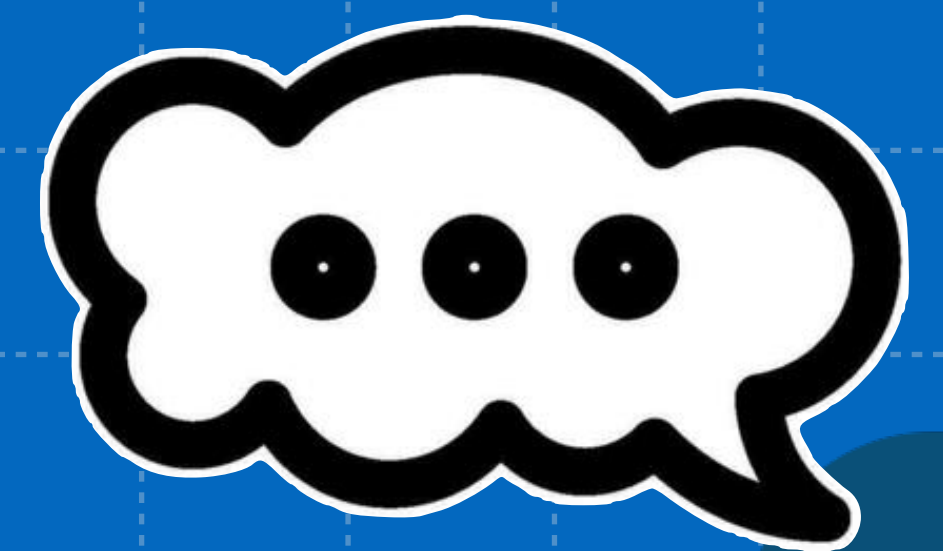
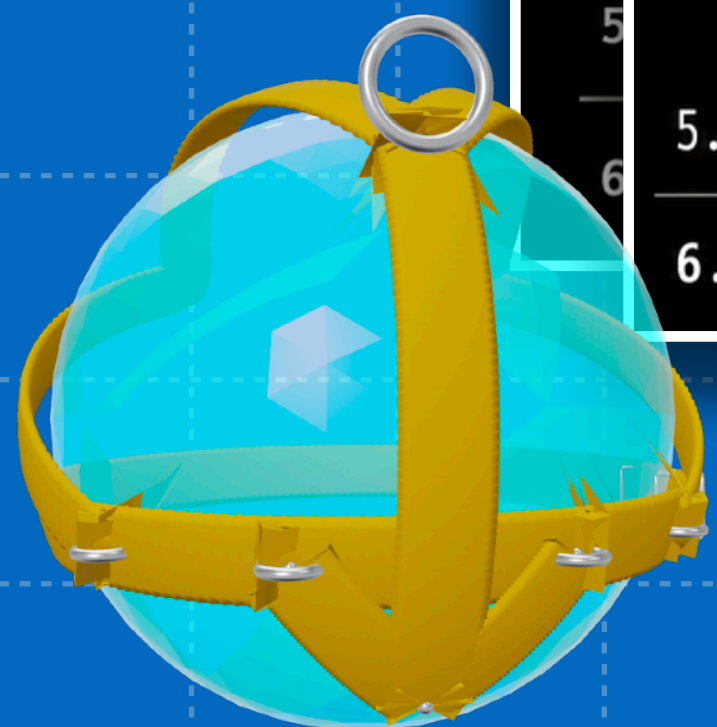
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What counts as a single U_i — i.e. what is k actually counting?

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Each U_i acts nontrivially on exactly two basis states (a Givens rotation + phase). This is the classical Reck/Clements setting, gives a clean k for the 4×4 case, has matching lower bounds, and is hardware-meaningful for photonics.

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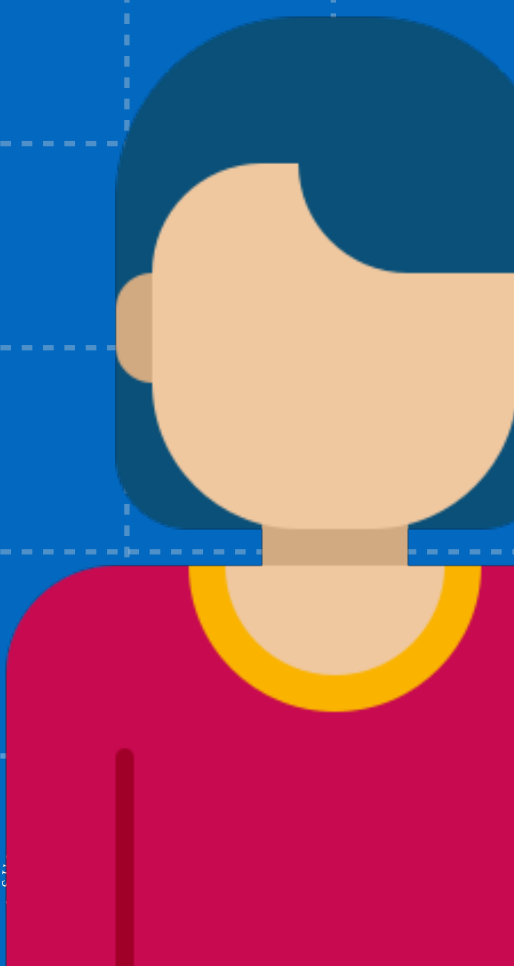
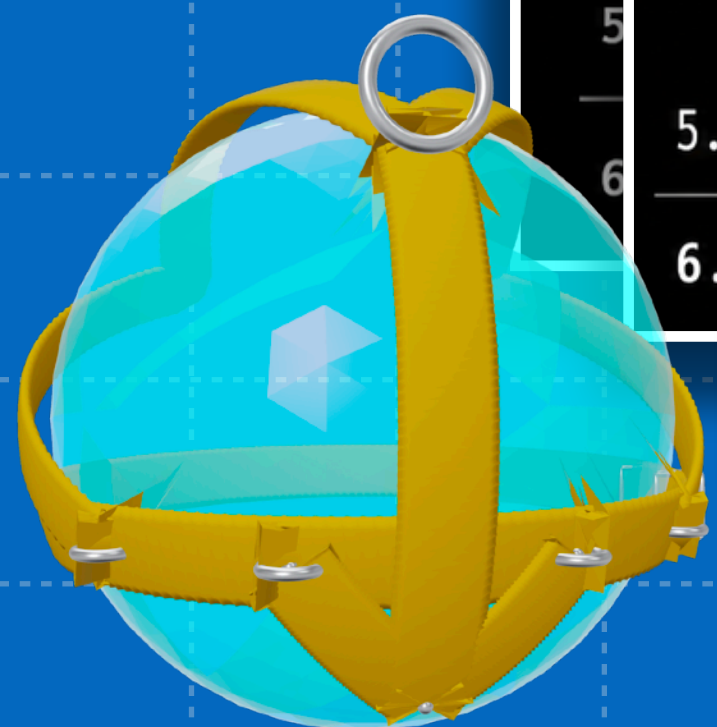
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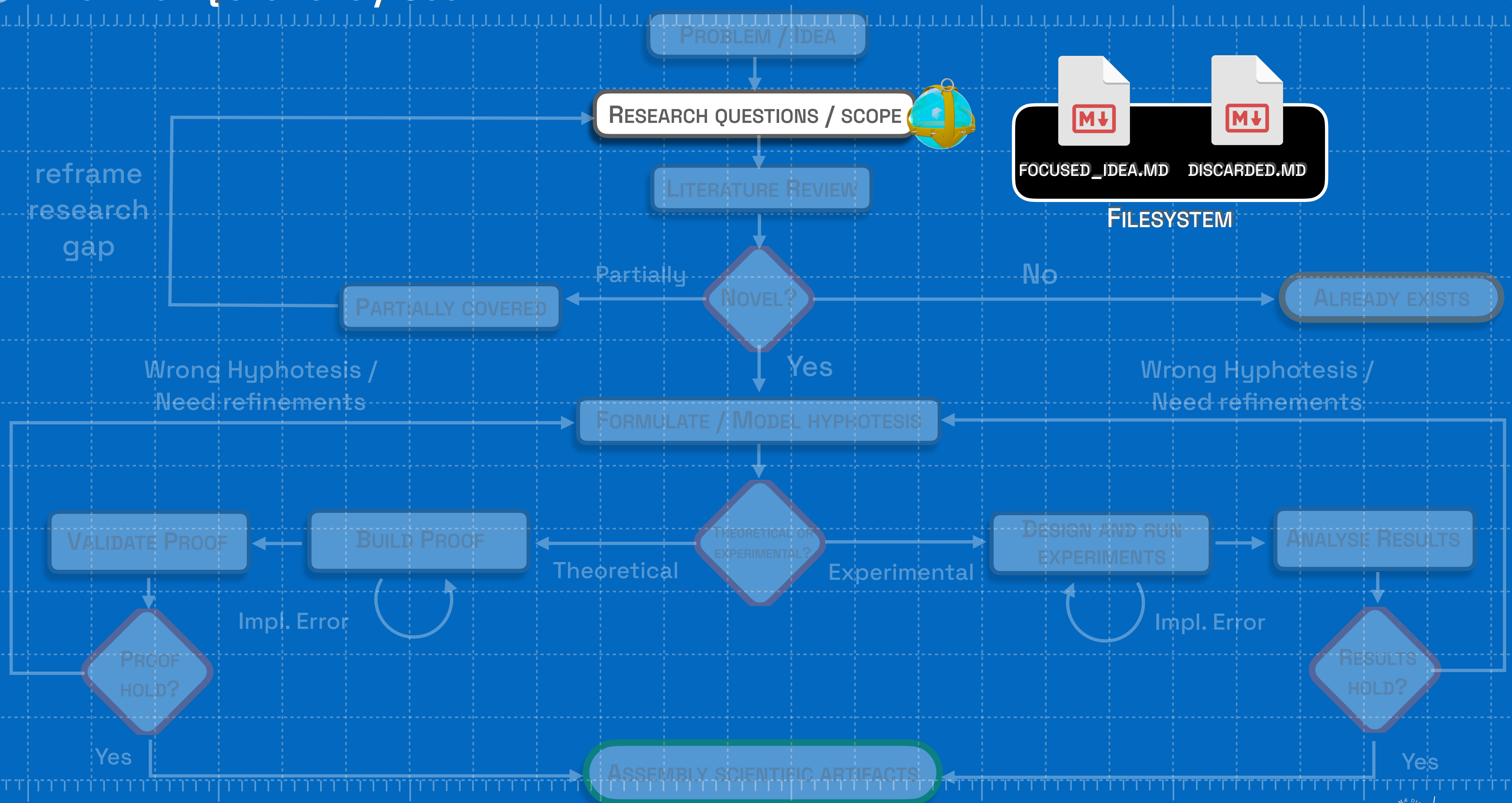
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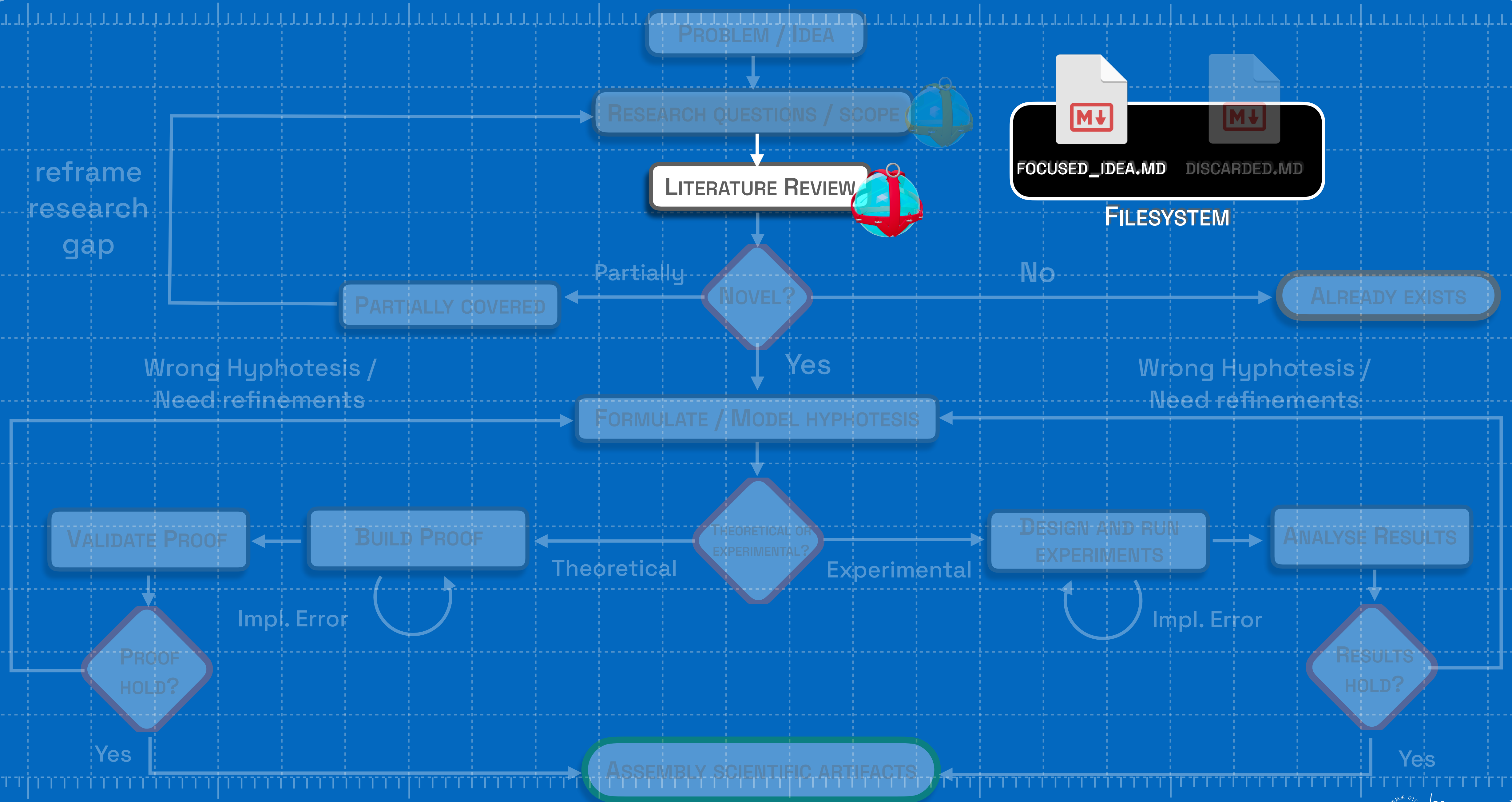
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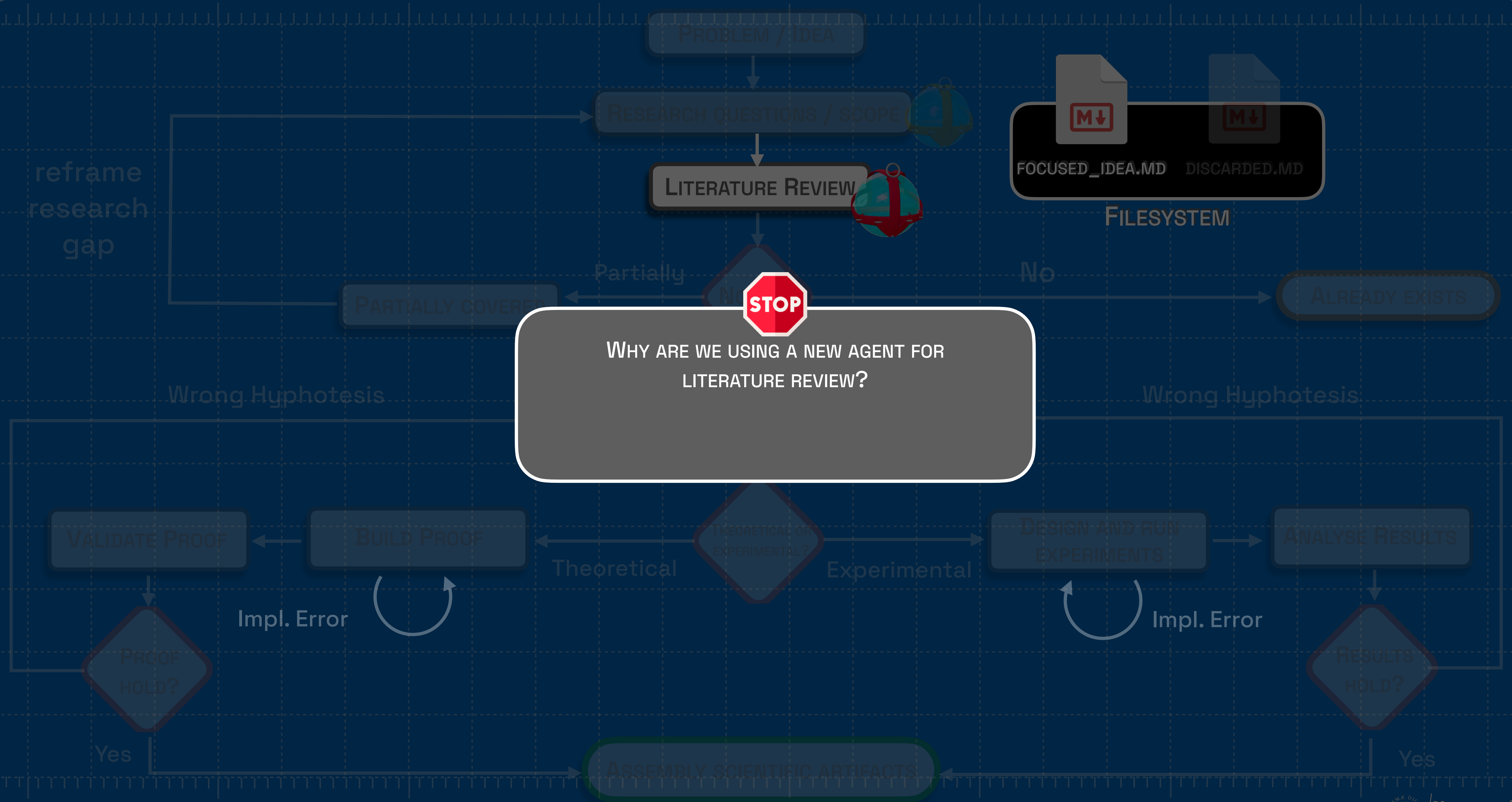
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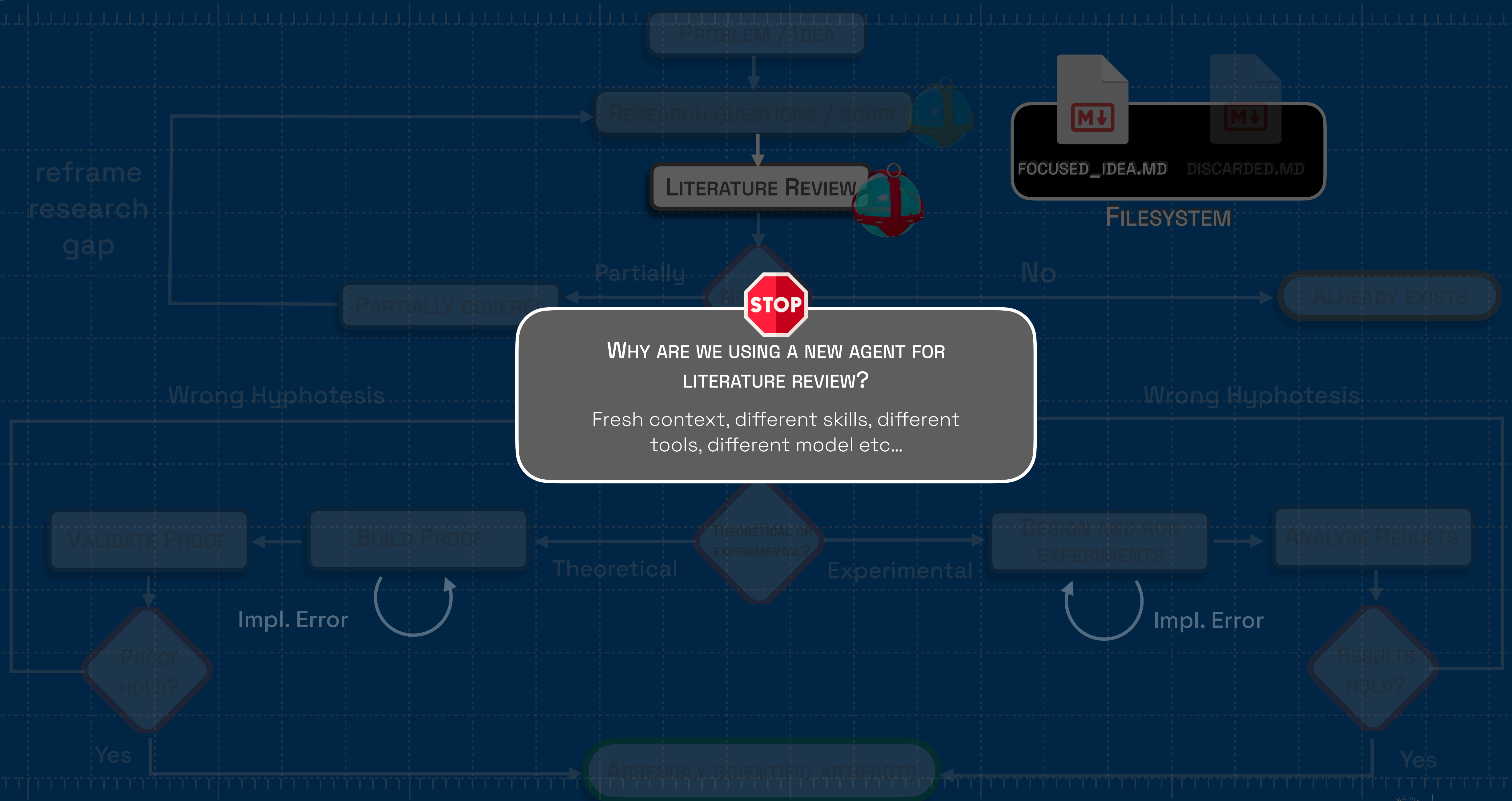
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THIS IS A **NAIVE APPROACH**, IN WHICH YOU **FORCE** THE AGENT **TO GUESS**:

- Where to look for the papers
- How to identify a relevant paper
- How to extract the core information from a retrieved paper
- How to store a retrieved paper



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LITERATURE REVIEW - WHERE TO LOOK FOR THE PAPERS



Semantic Scholar is an AI discovery engine. It is built to help individual researchers read and understand papers faster. Instead of focusing on global institutional mappings, it focuses heavily on the **internal content of the papers**, using Natural Language Processing (NLP) to extract meaning.



OpenAlex is a global data infrastructure. It is built to map the entire universe of research. It doesn't just index papers; it maps the relationships between **works, authors, global institutions, venues (journals), and funding sources**. It treats academic data like a giant open-source graph.



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Both services integrate the Model Context Protocol (MCP)
This allows to expose Semantic Scholar and Open Alex as tools for our agent

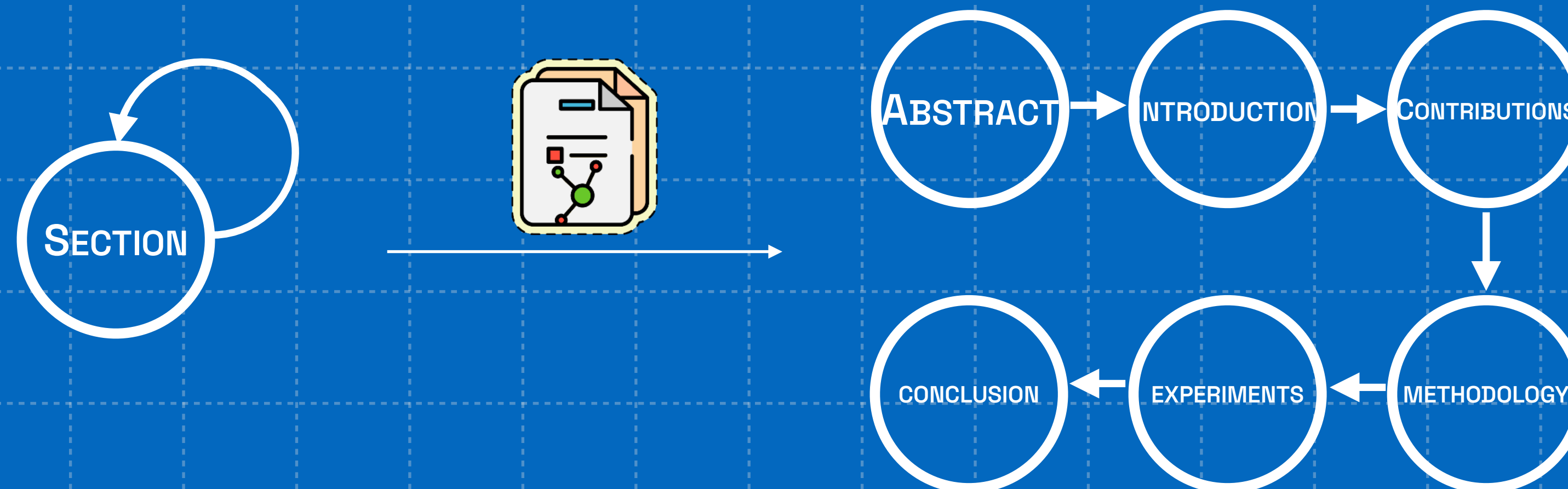
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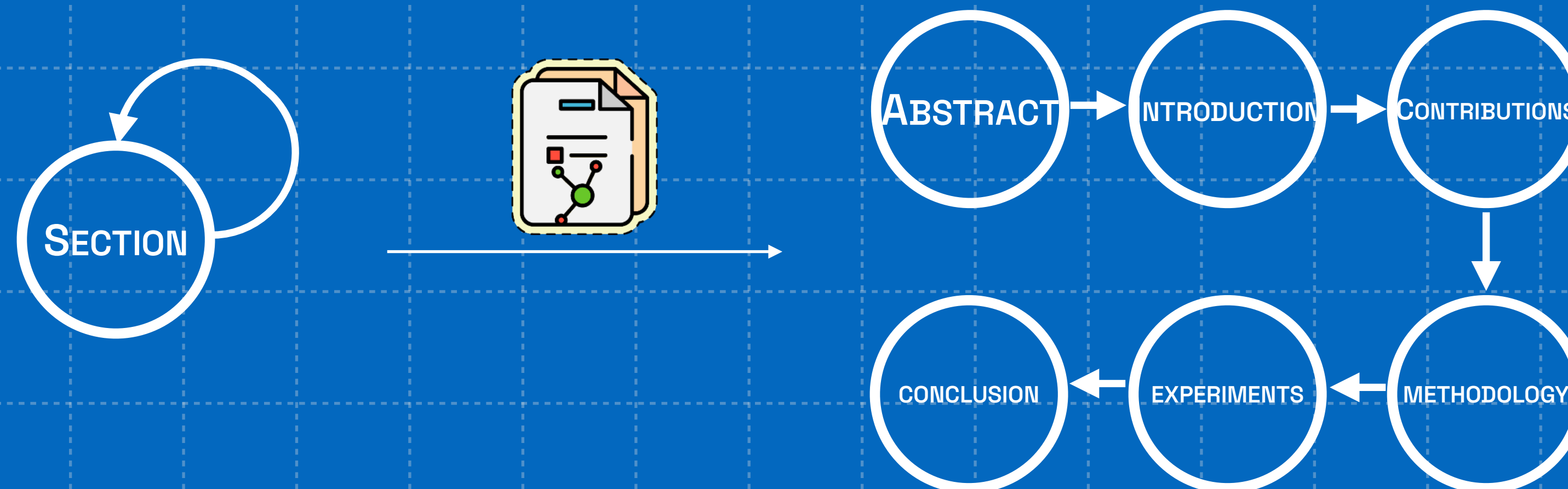
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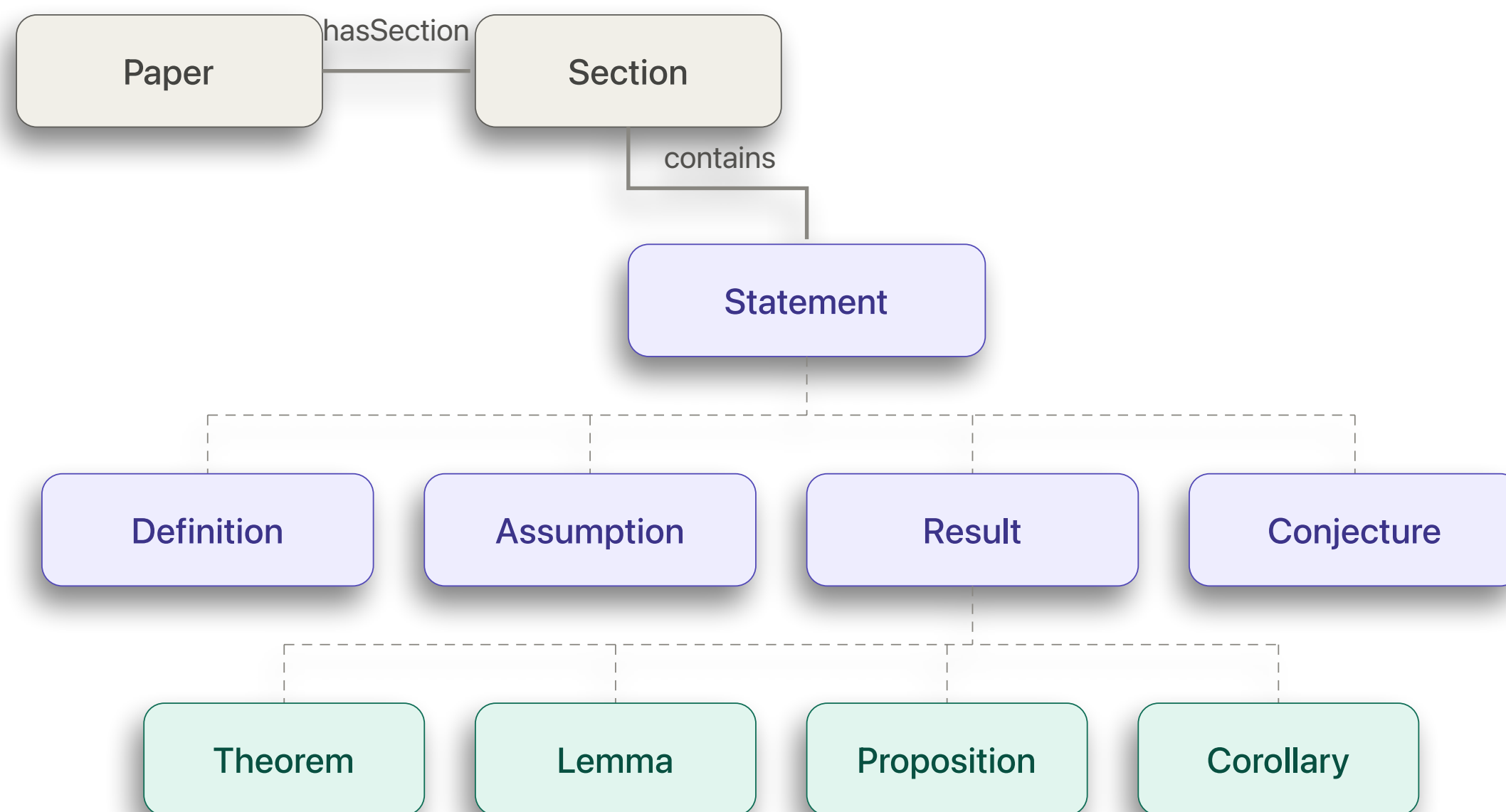
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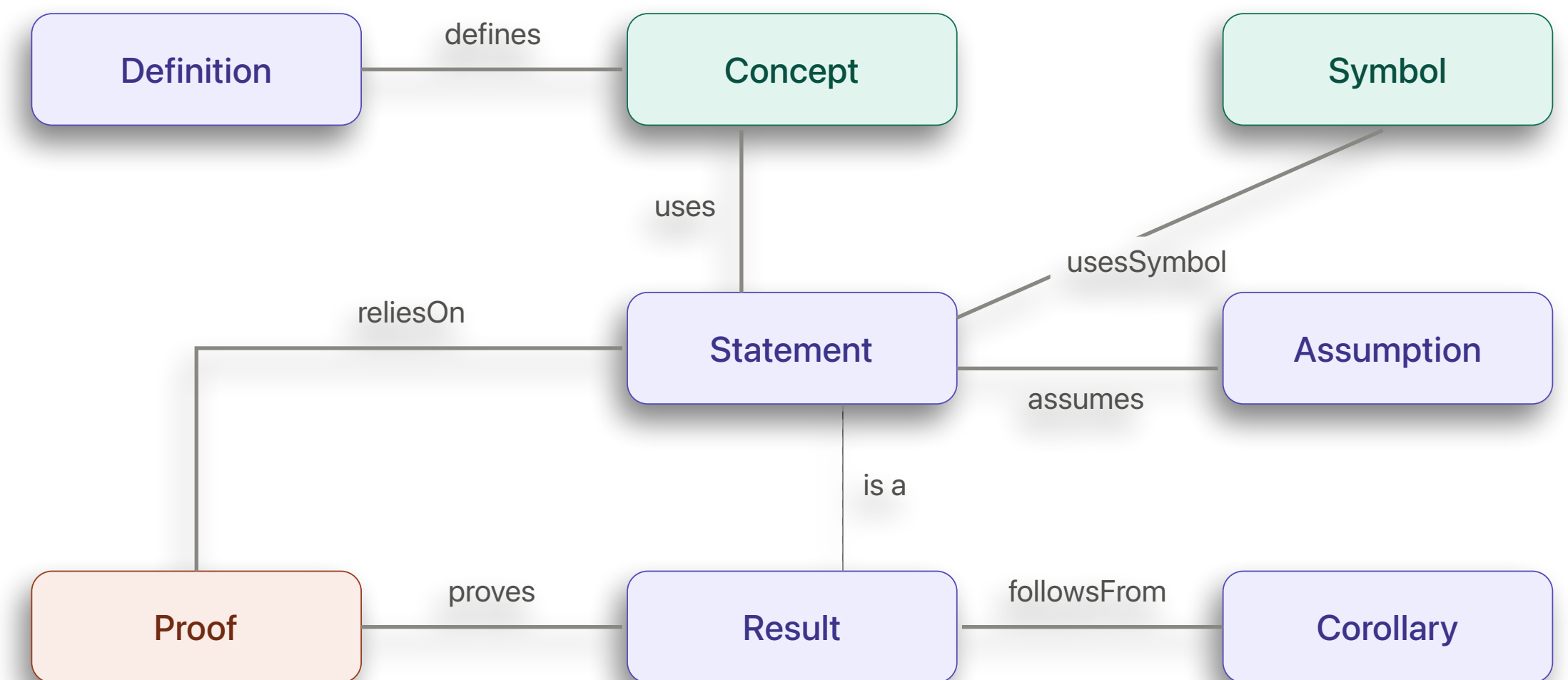
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VOCABULARY



RELATIONSHIPS



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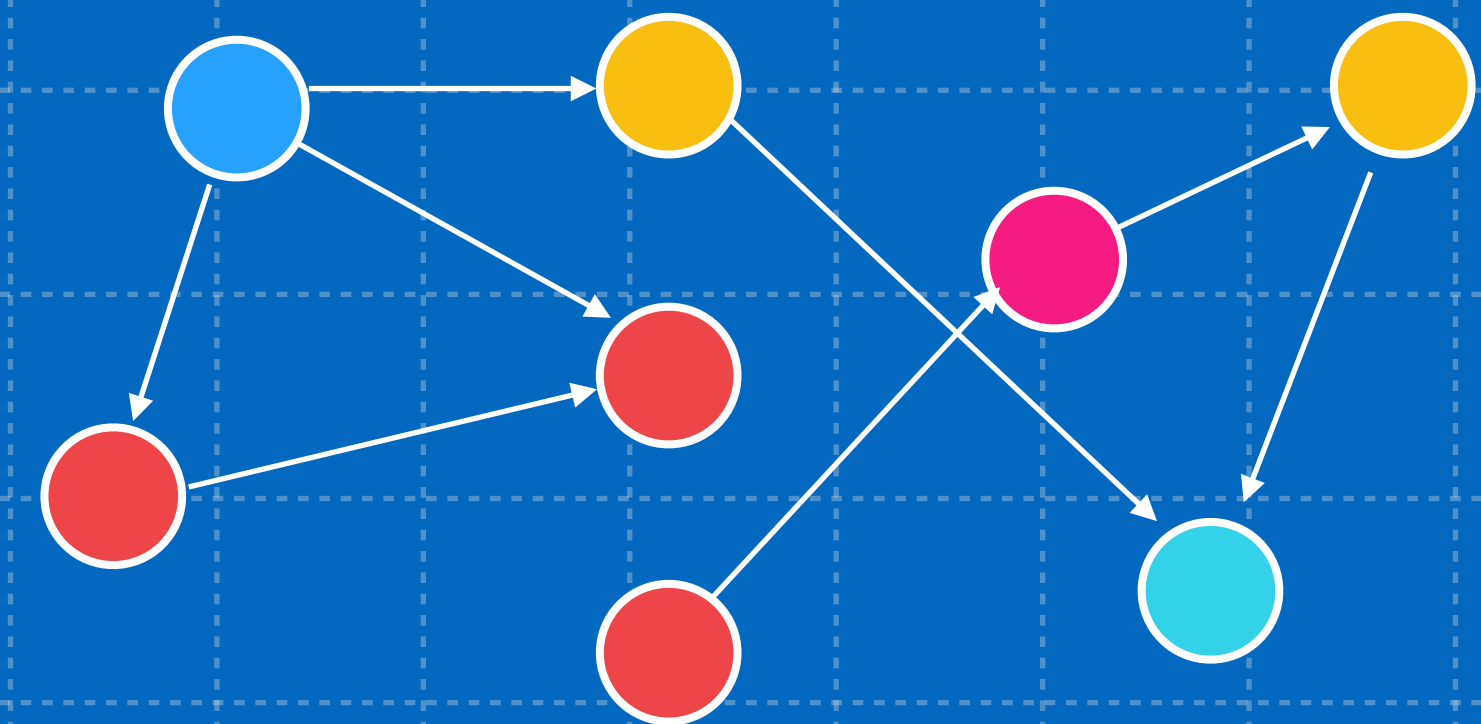


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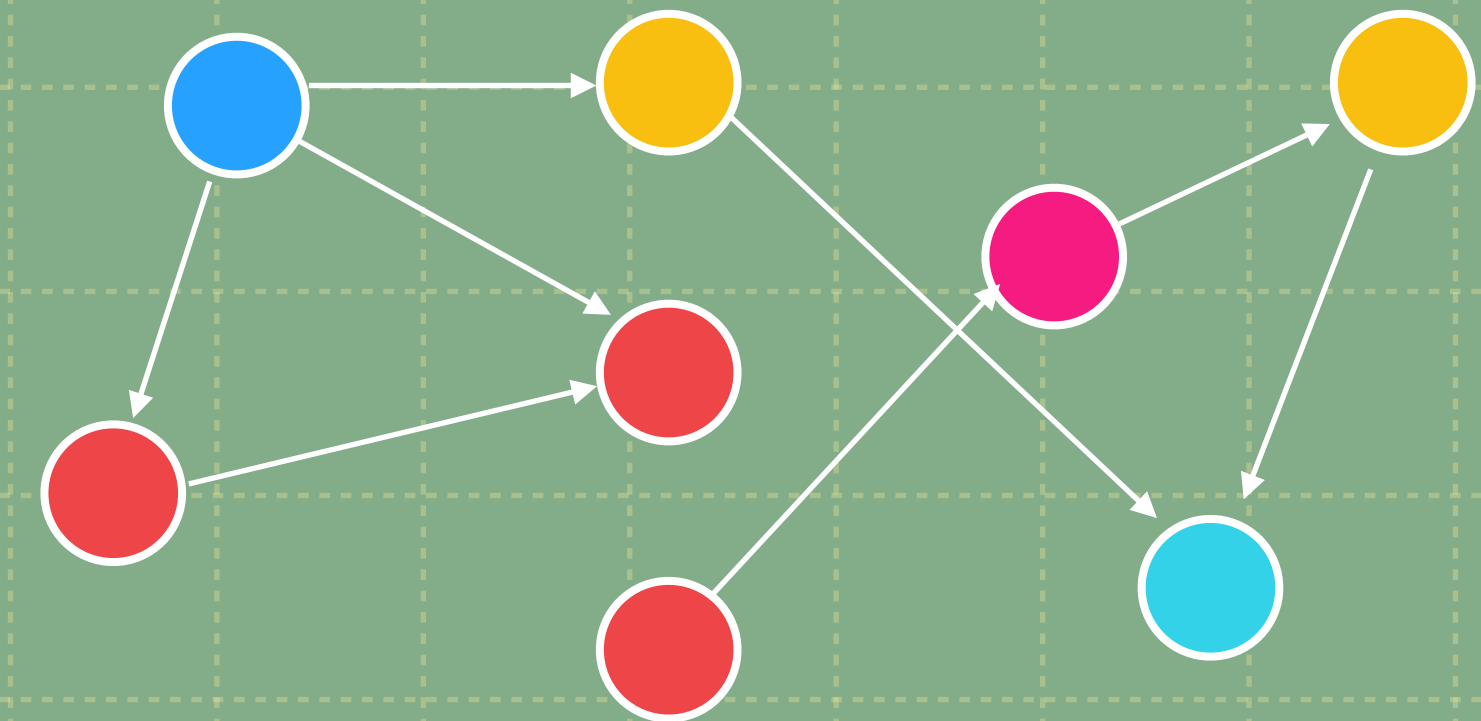
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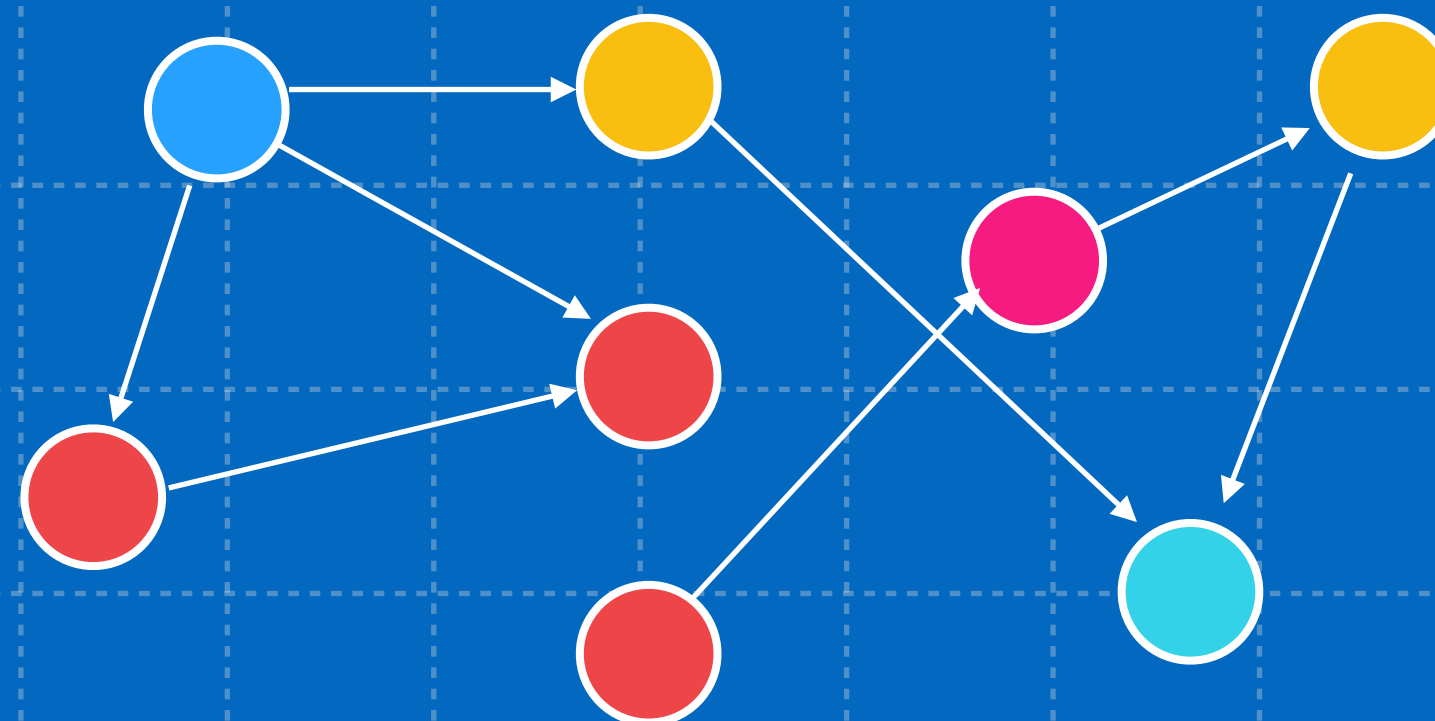
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LITERATURE REVIEW - HOW STORE A RETRIEVED PAPER

More specifically, we want a **GRAPH RAG** (i.e., a **knowledge base** where a node contains the embedding of the data it describe)



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Retrieval, extraction, insertion

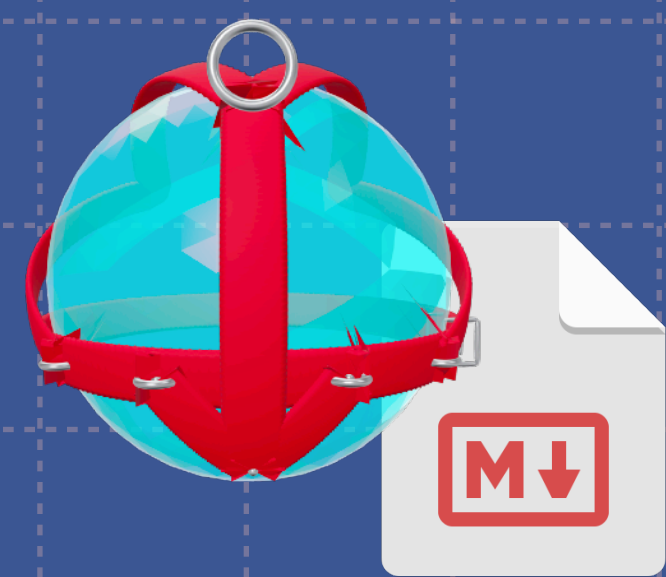


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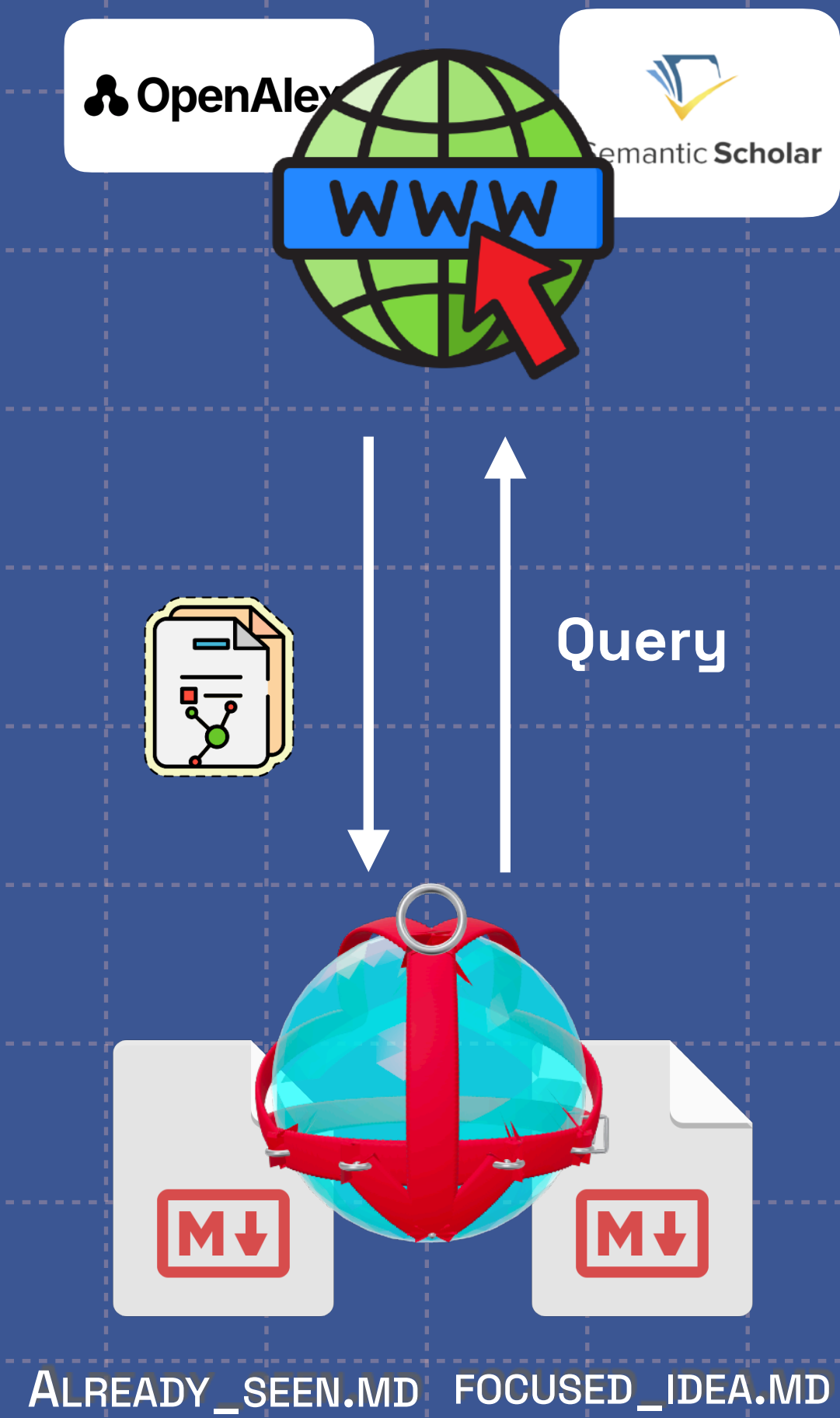
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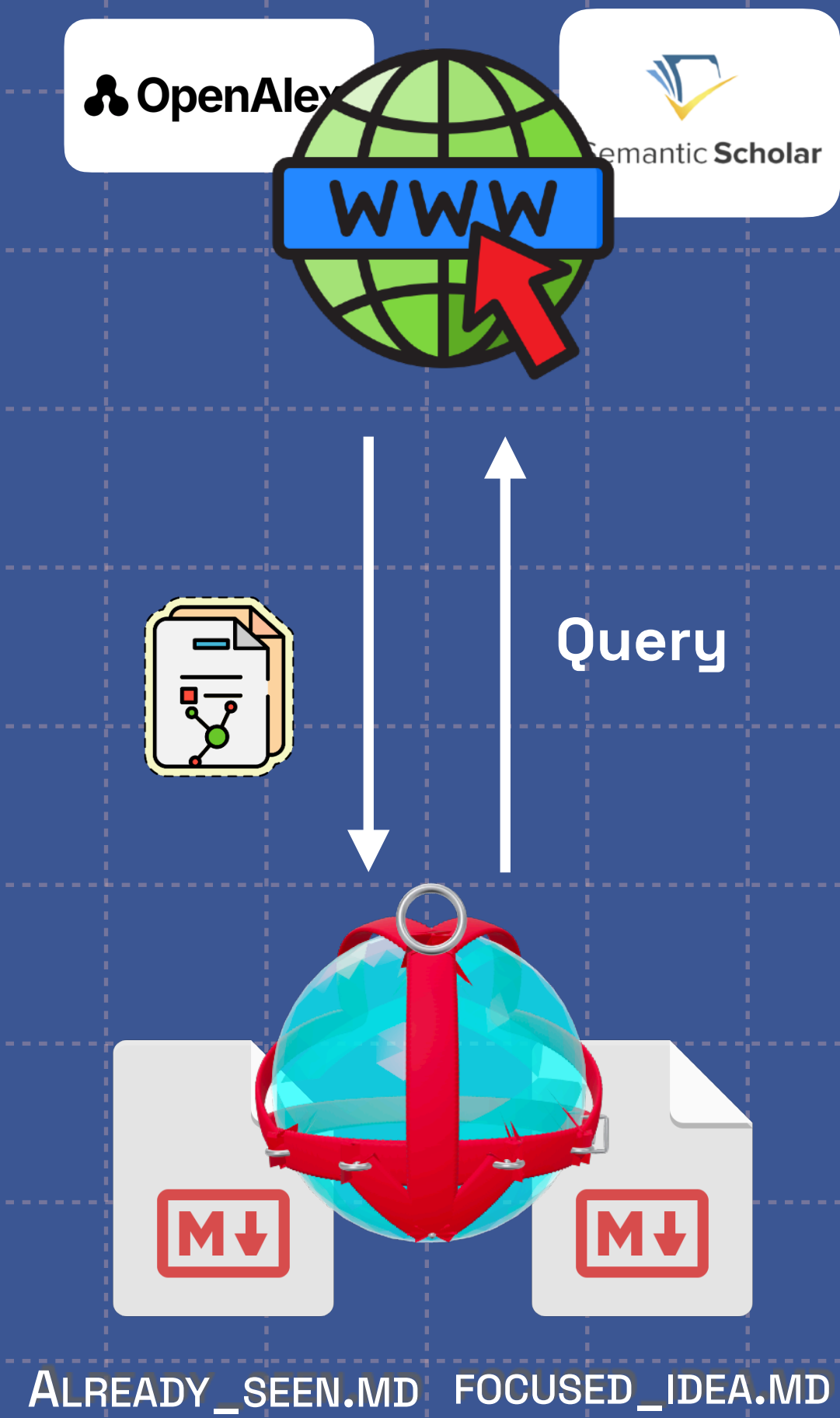
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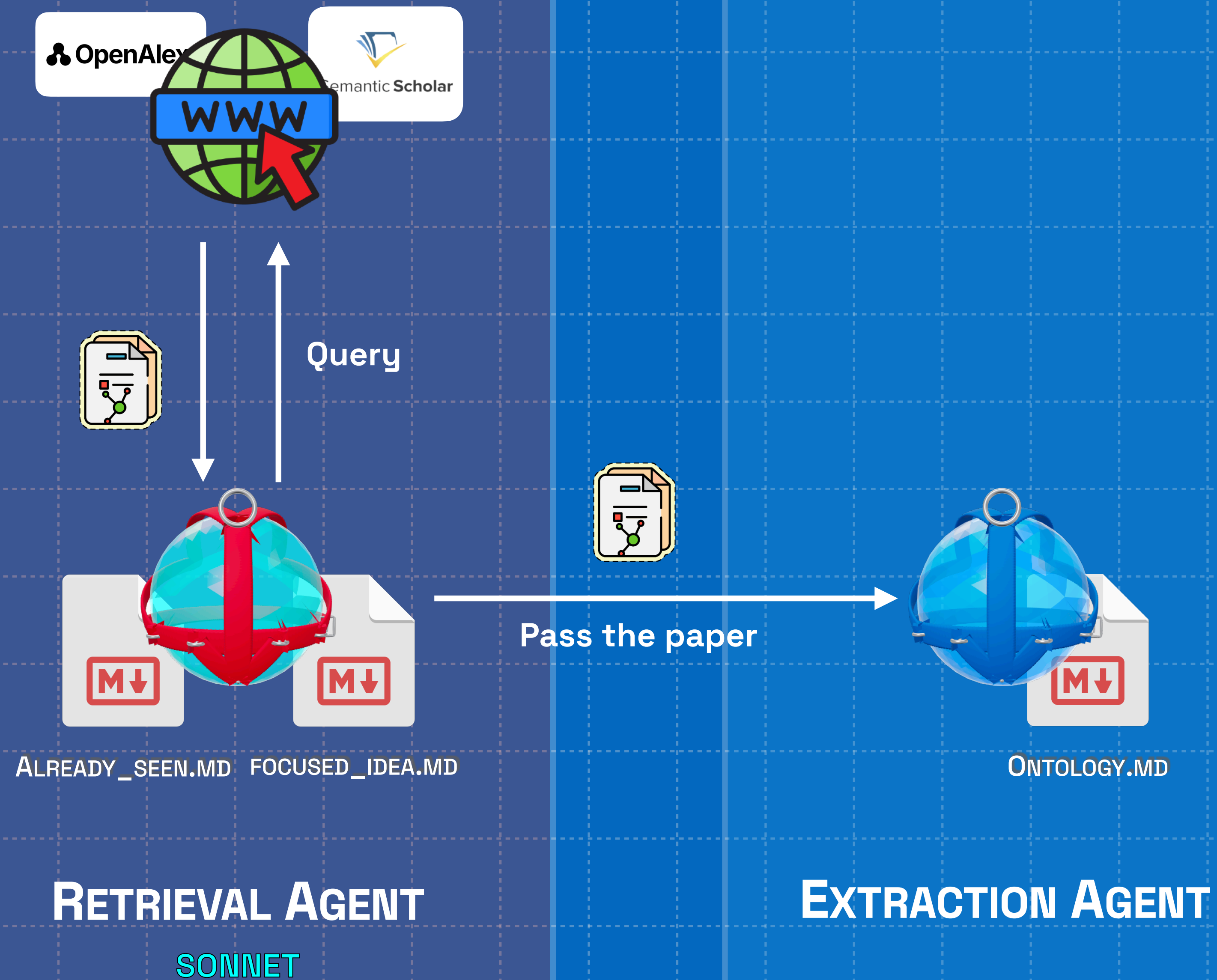
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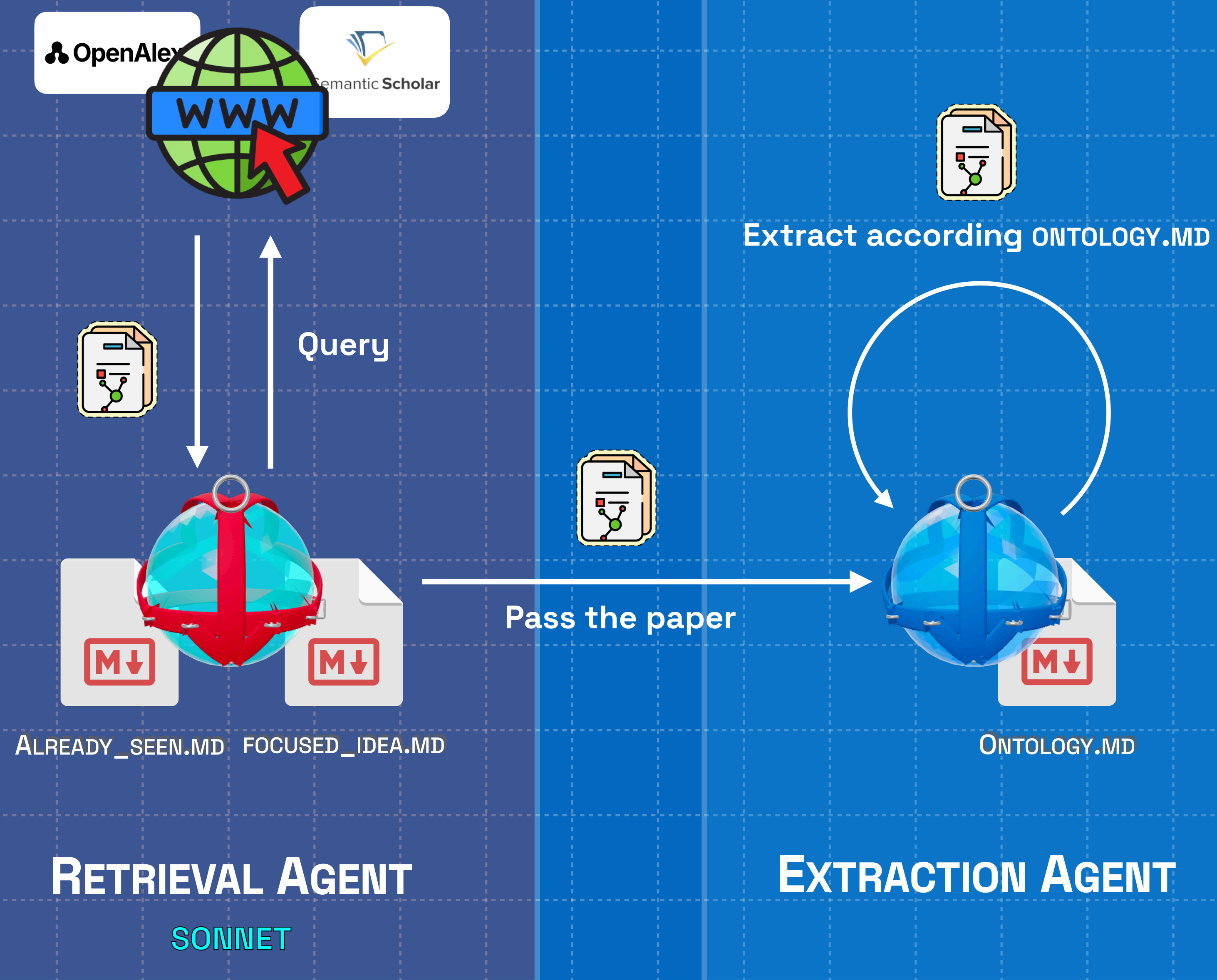
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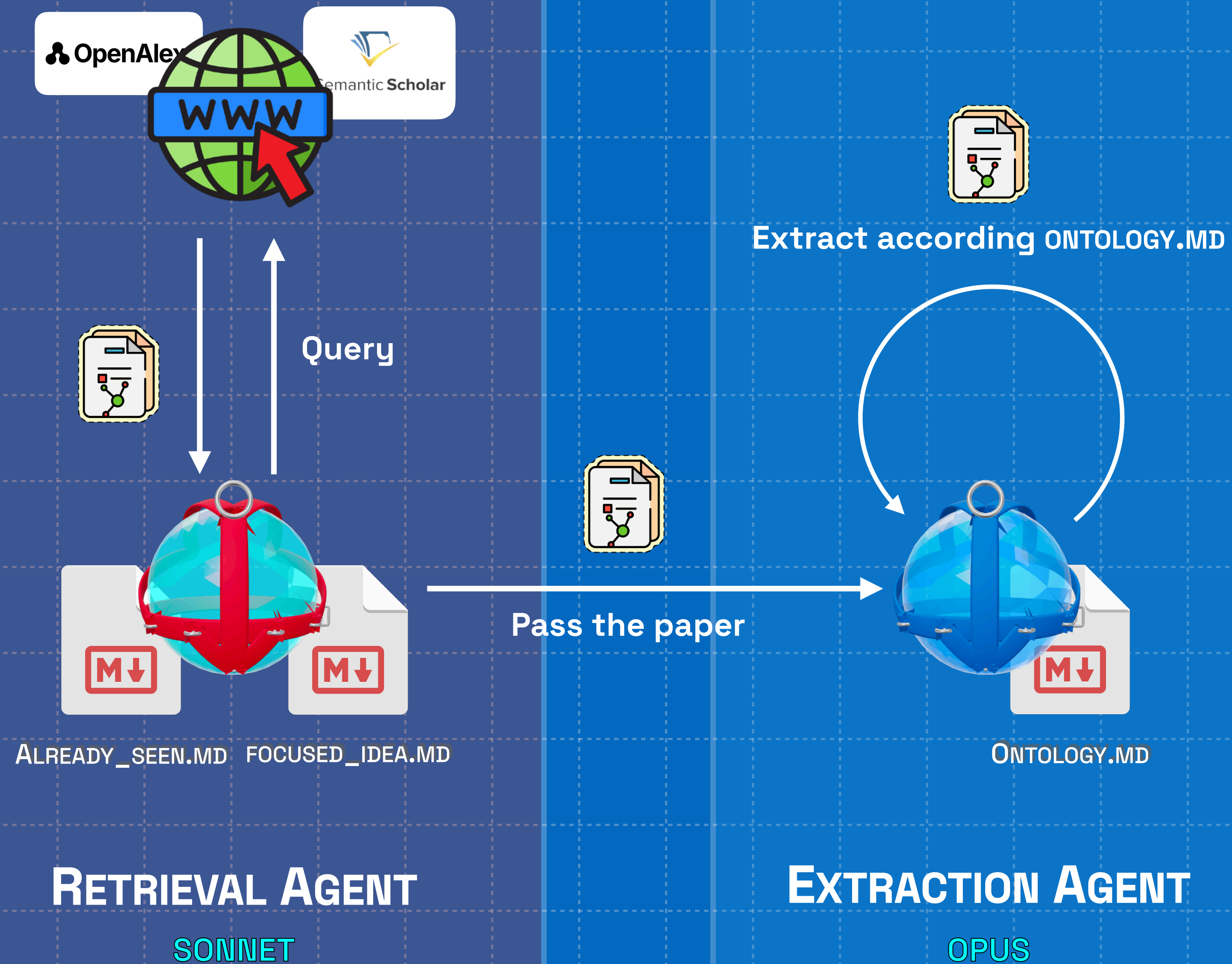
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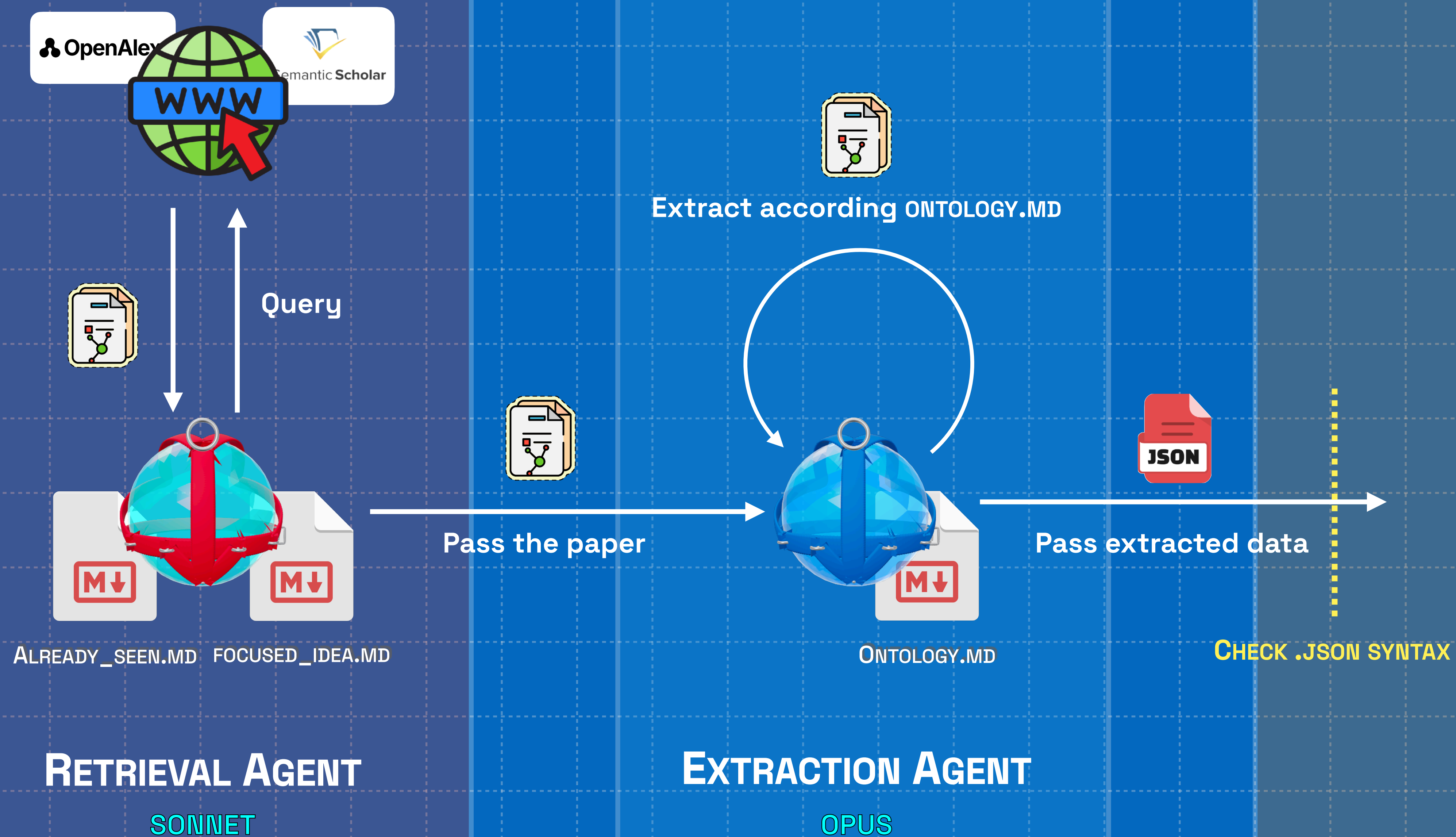
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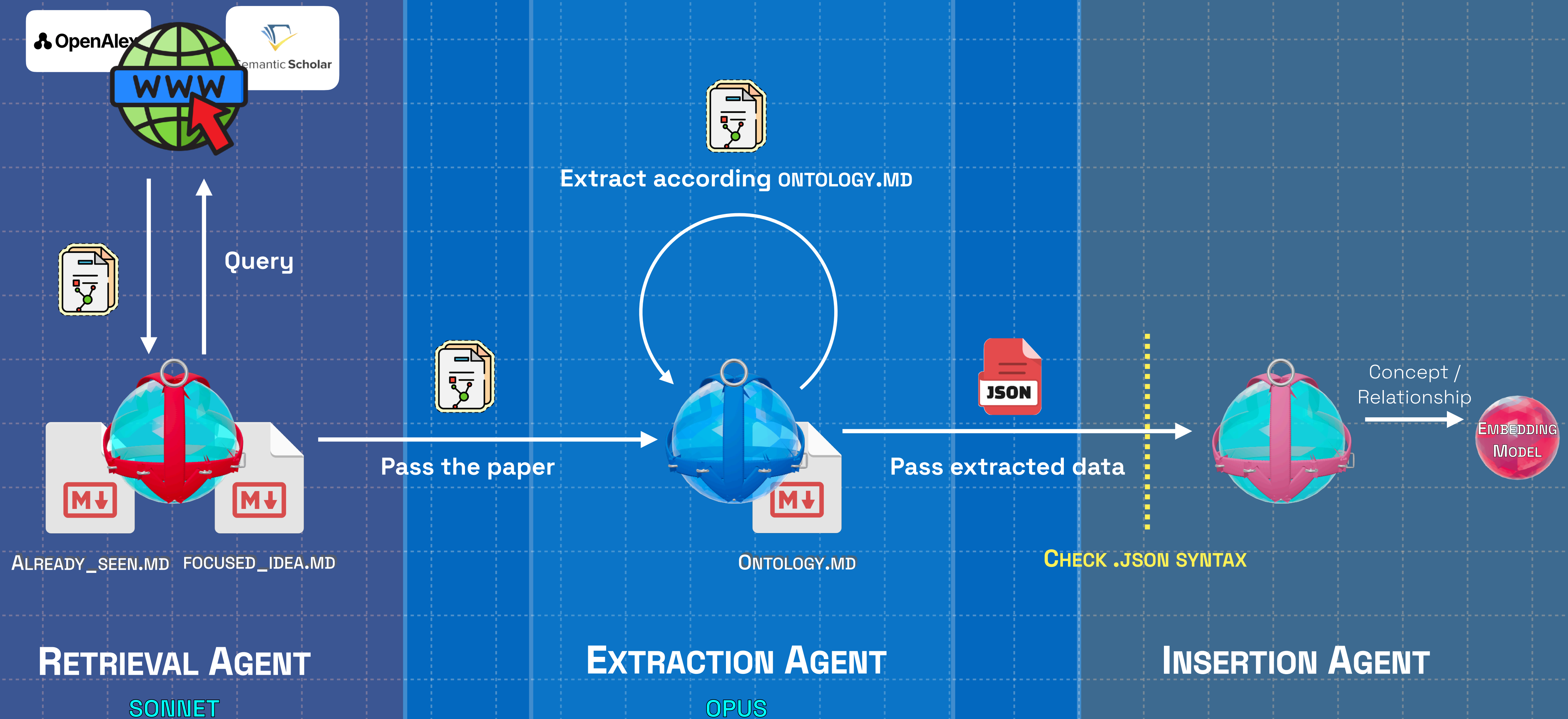
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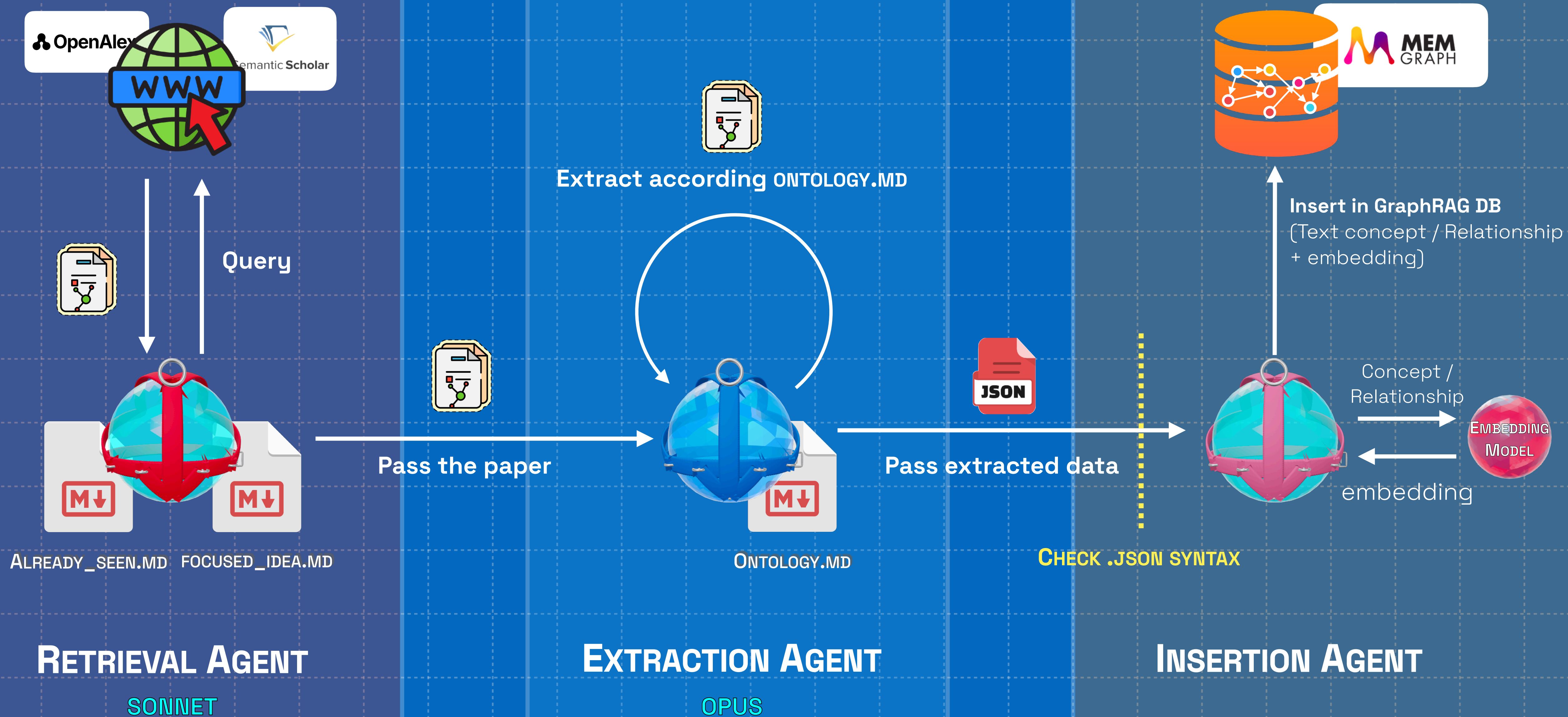
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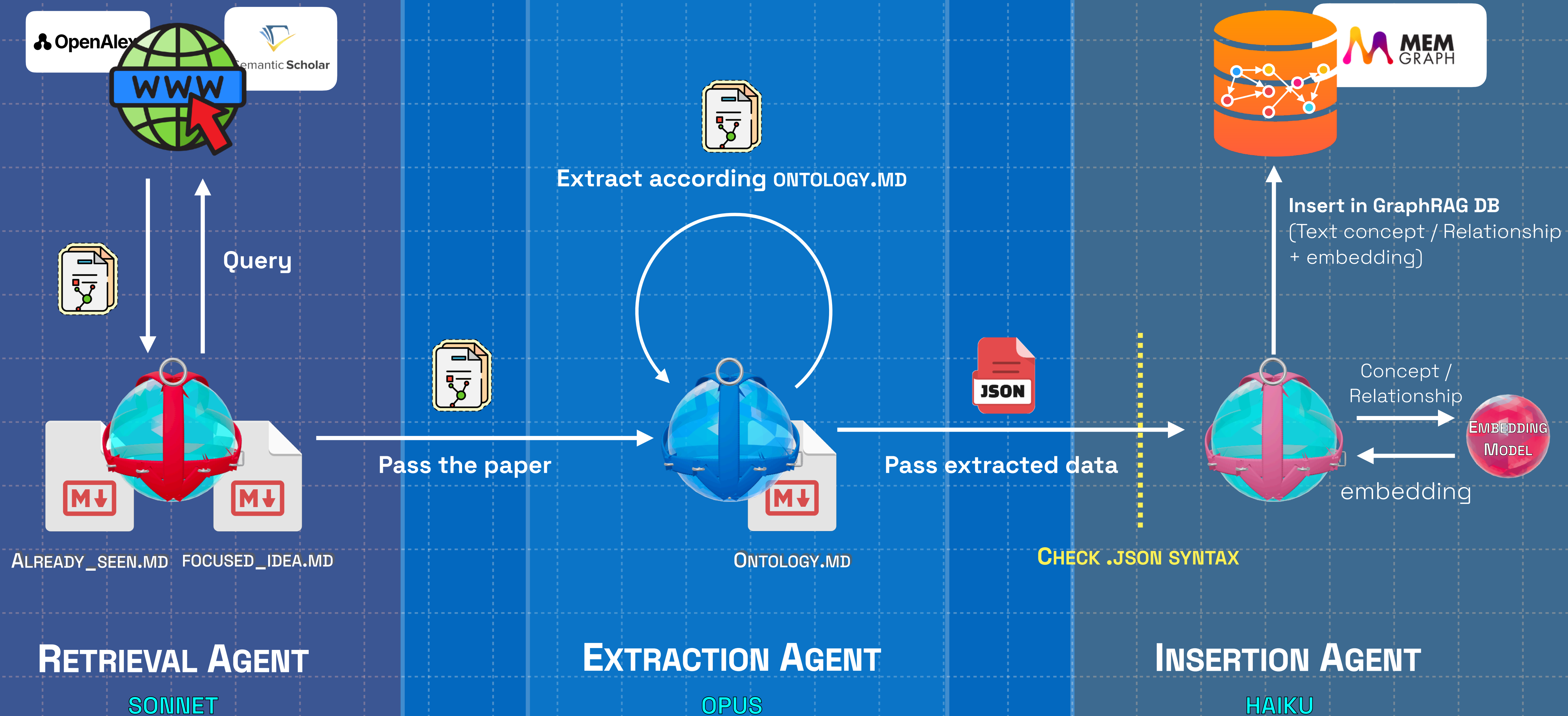
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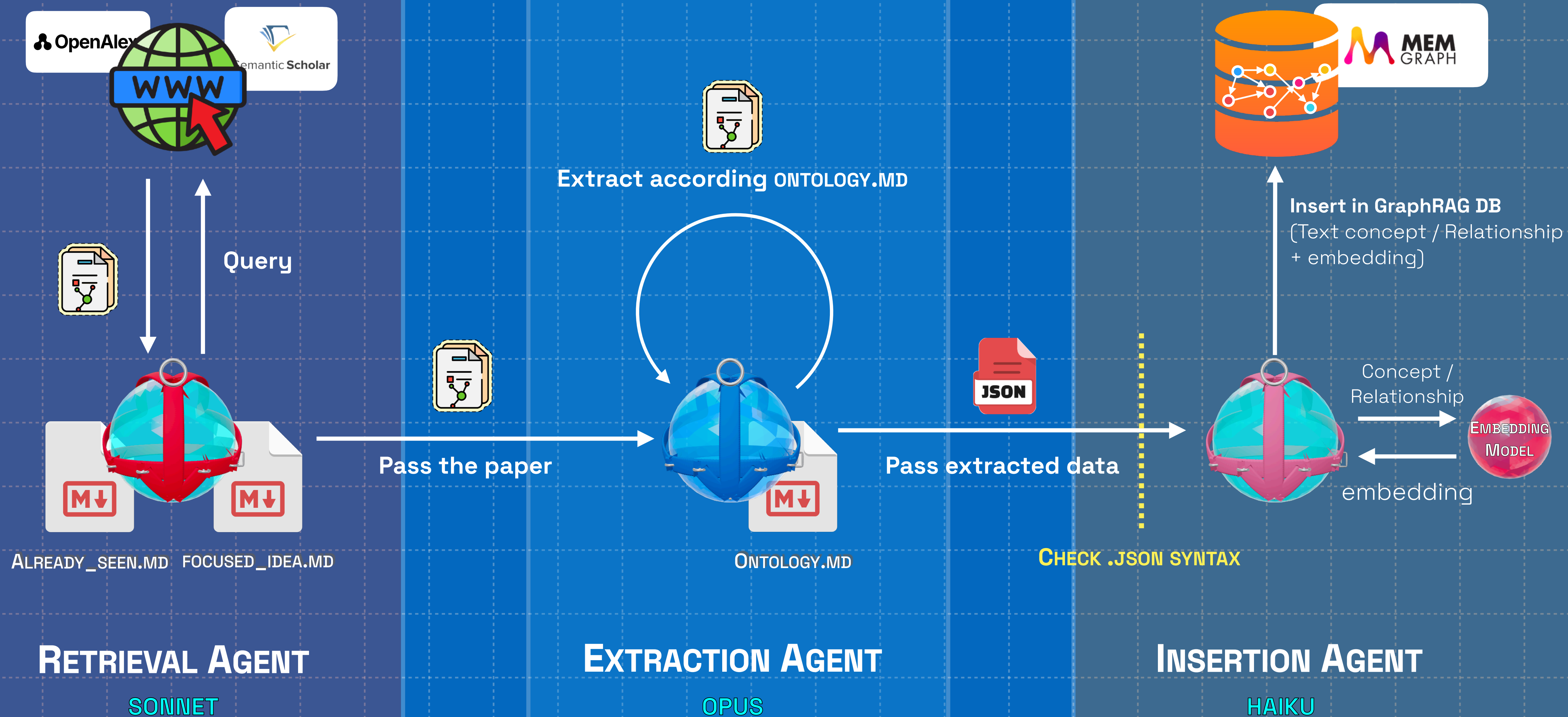
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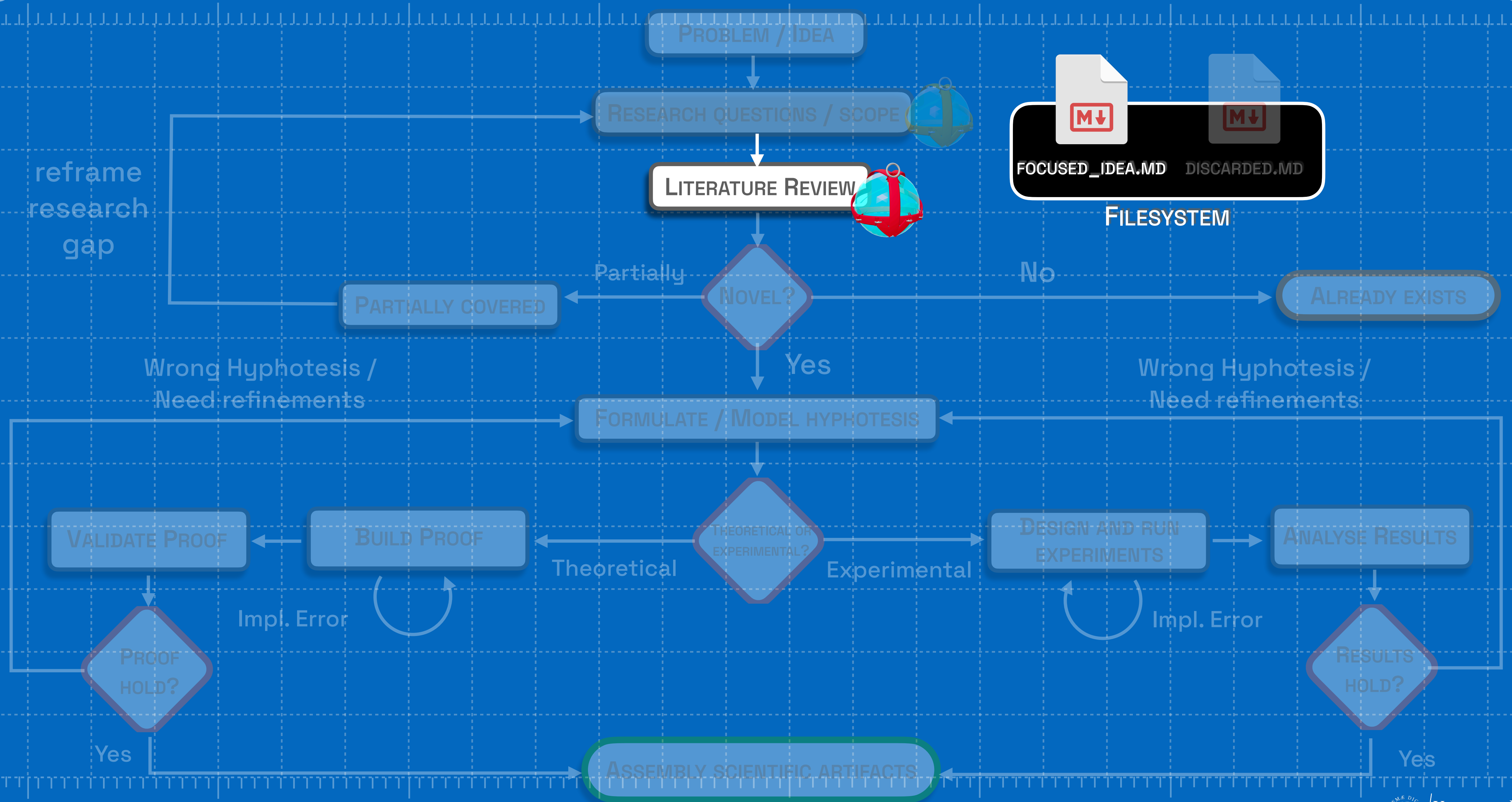
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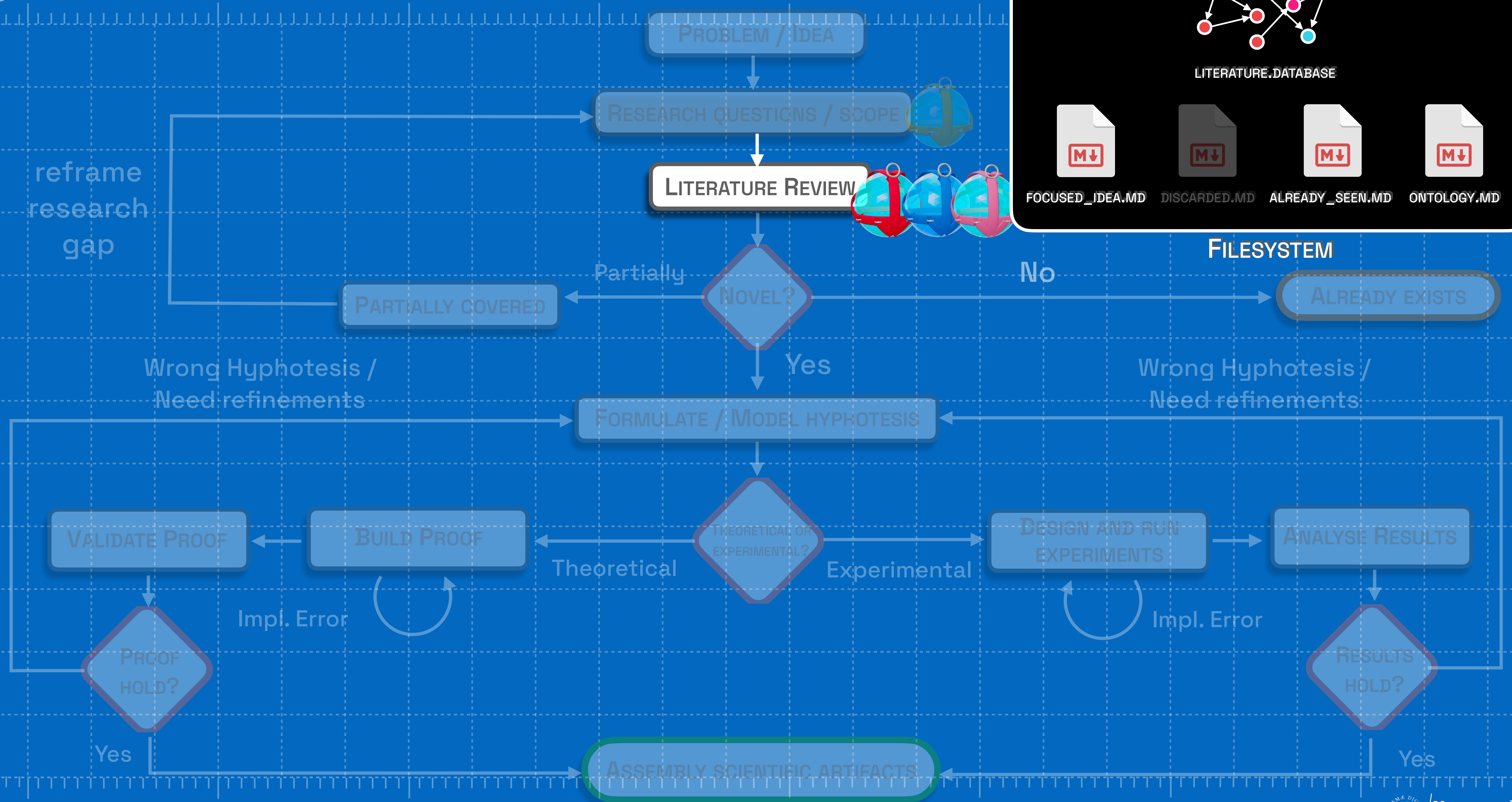
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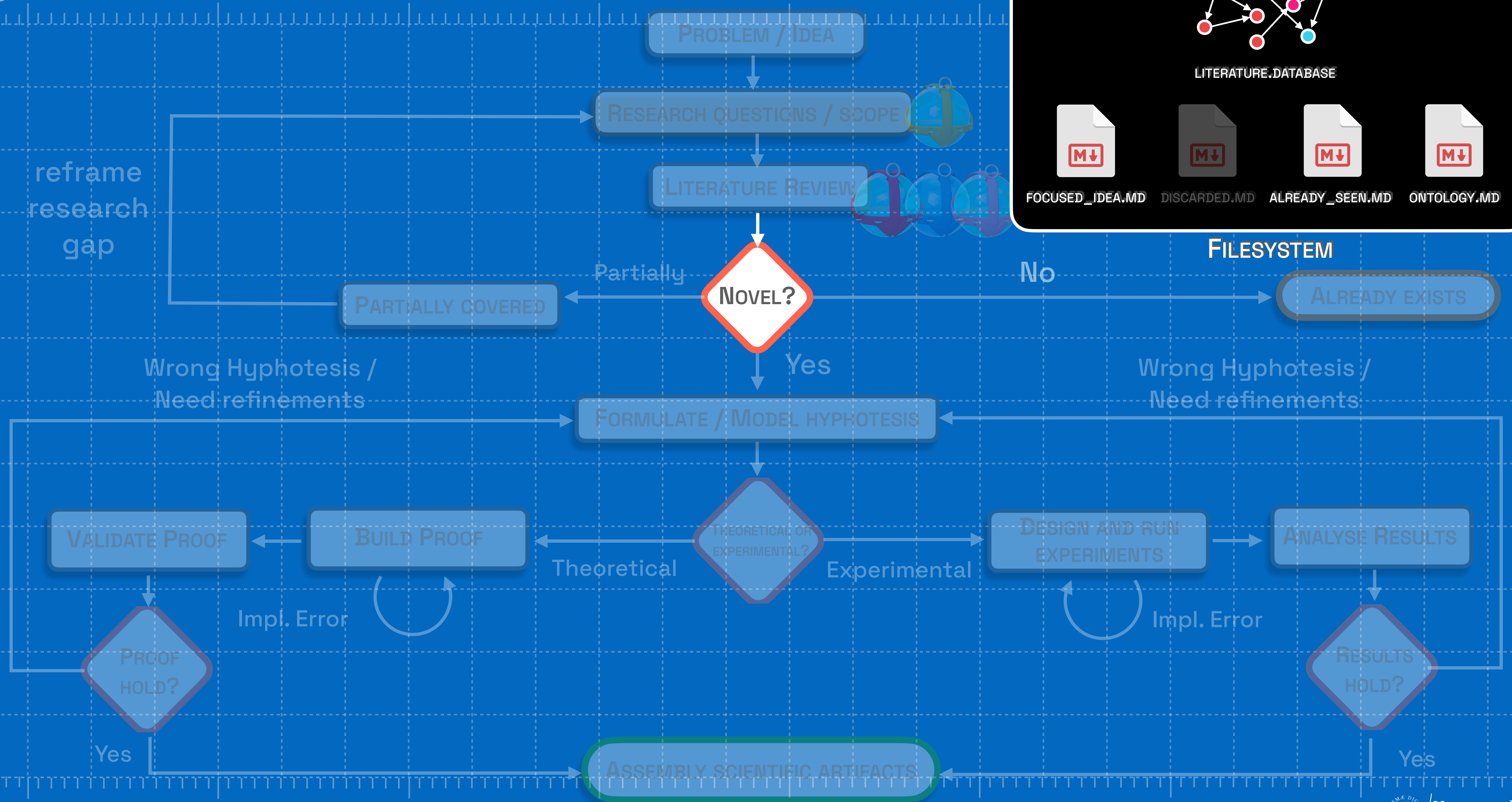
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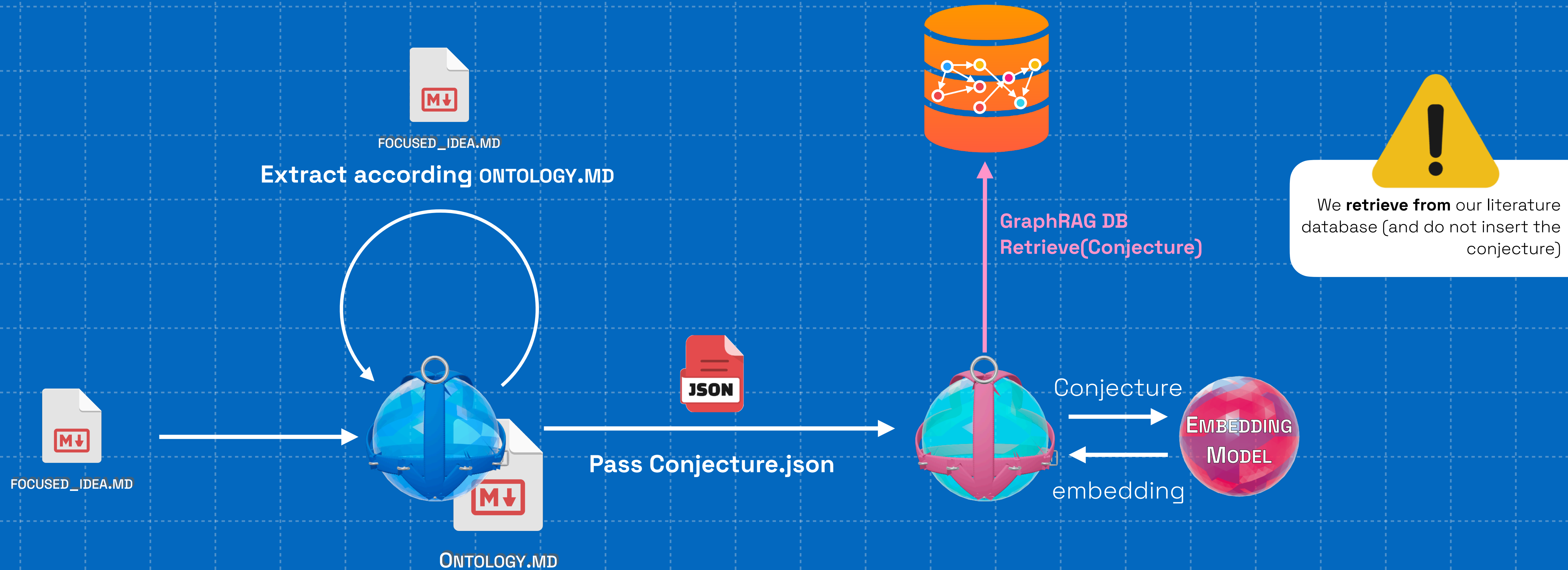


We have a **Knowledge Graph** where each **node** contains a pair (**text**, **embedding**) and the **relationships** between the nodes are defined by an **ontology**



A POSSIBLE APPROACH (you can find better ones)

We need to map the FOCUSED_IDEA.MD in the same space of the literature retrived (i.e., in the GraphRAG DB)



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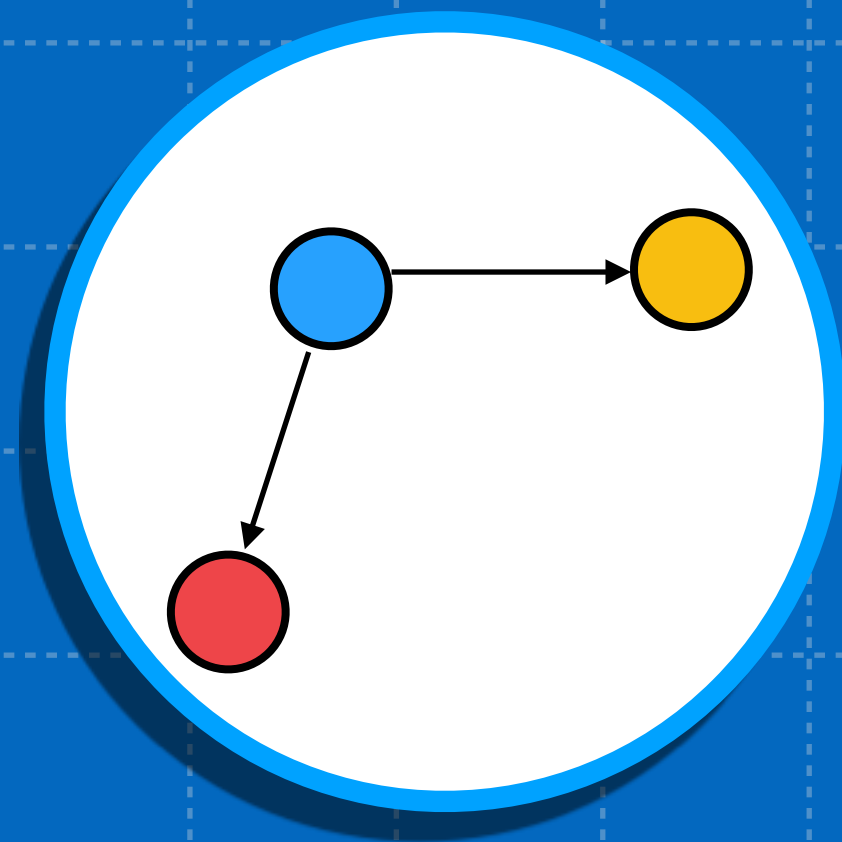
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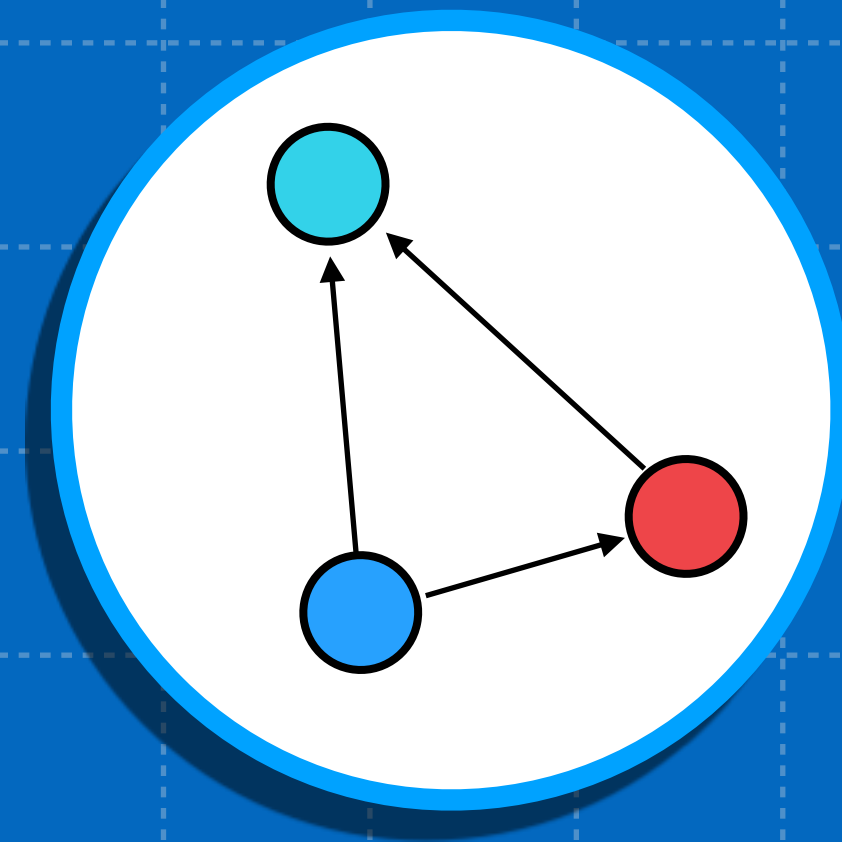
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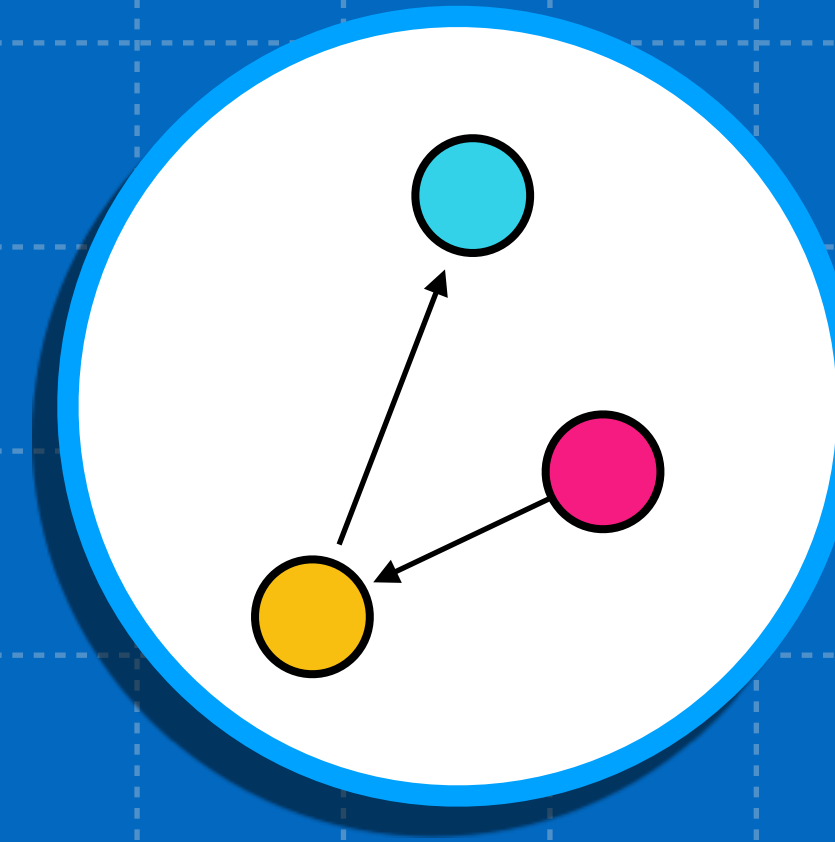
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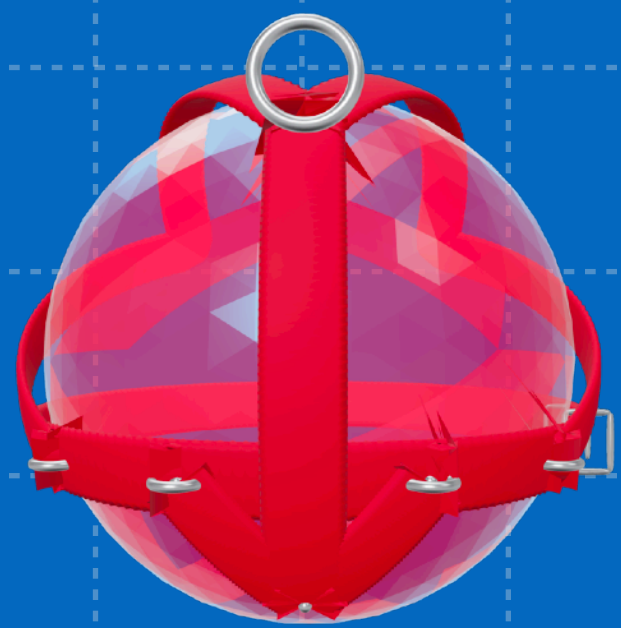
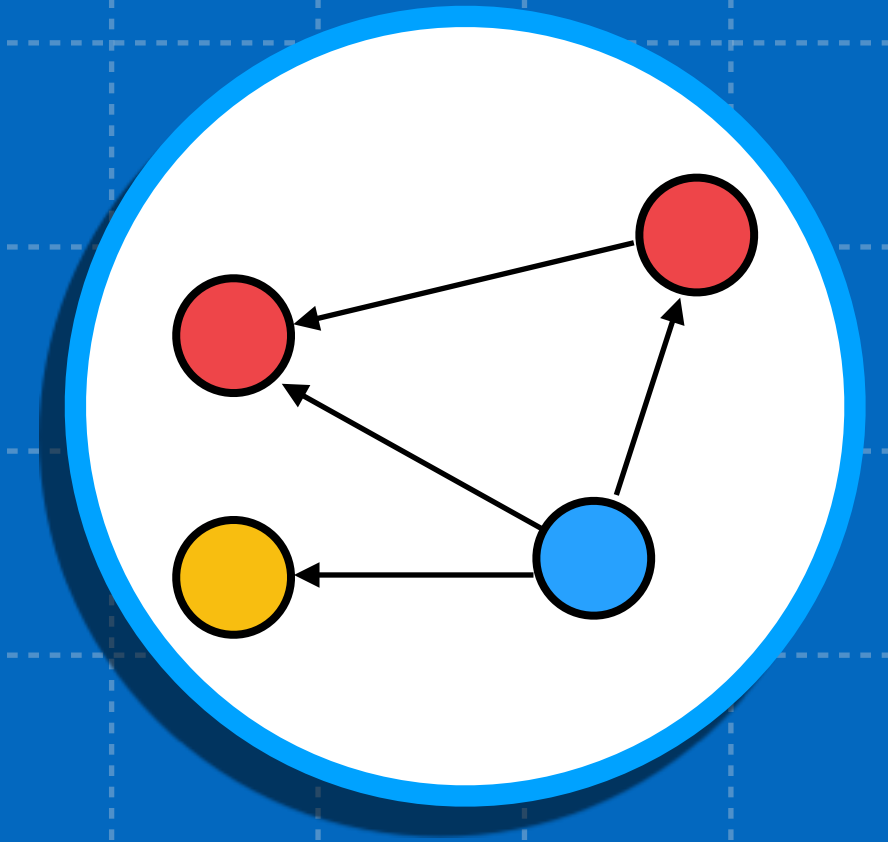
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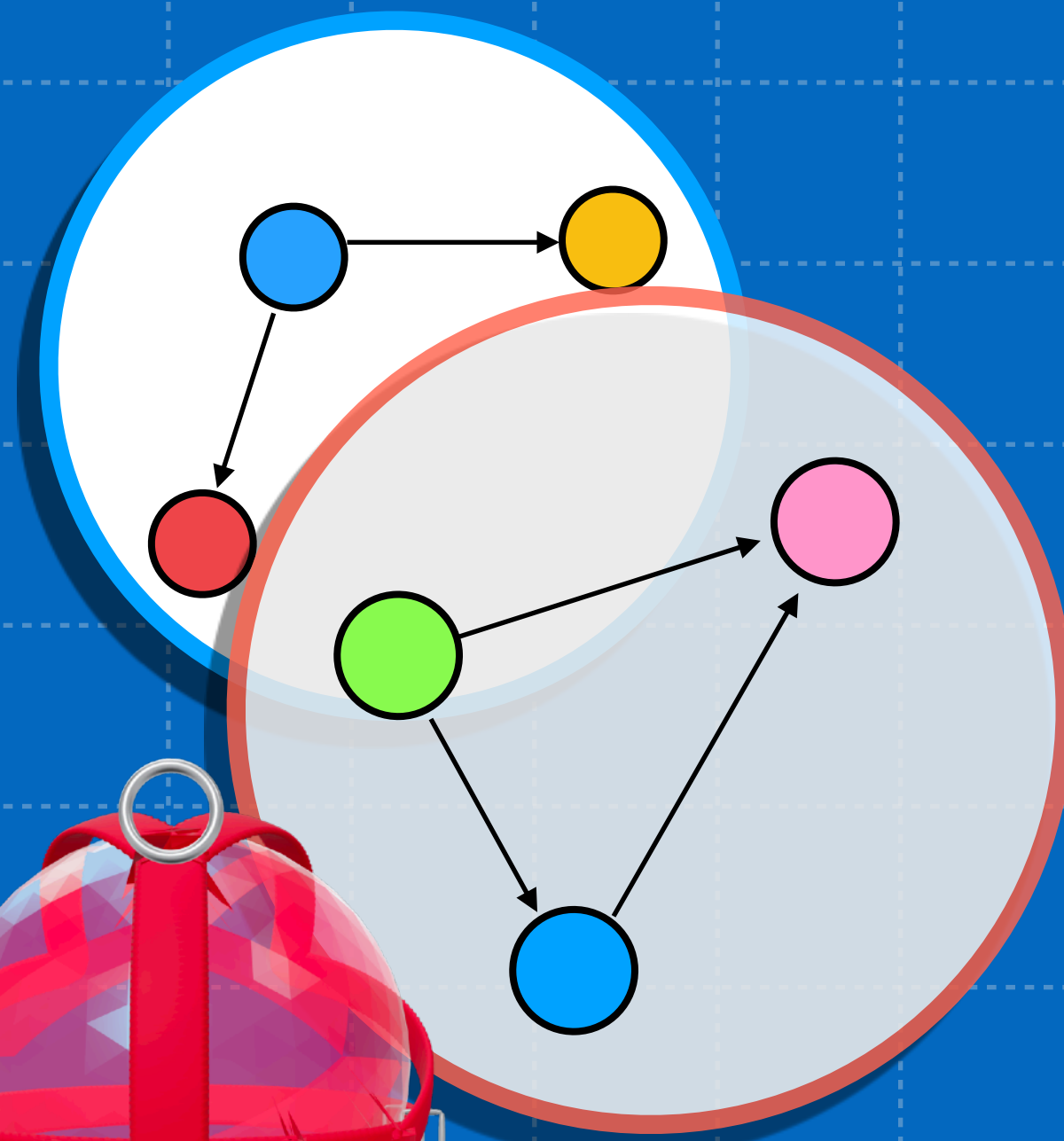
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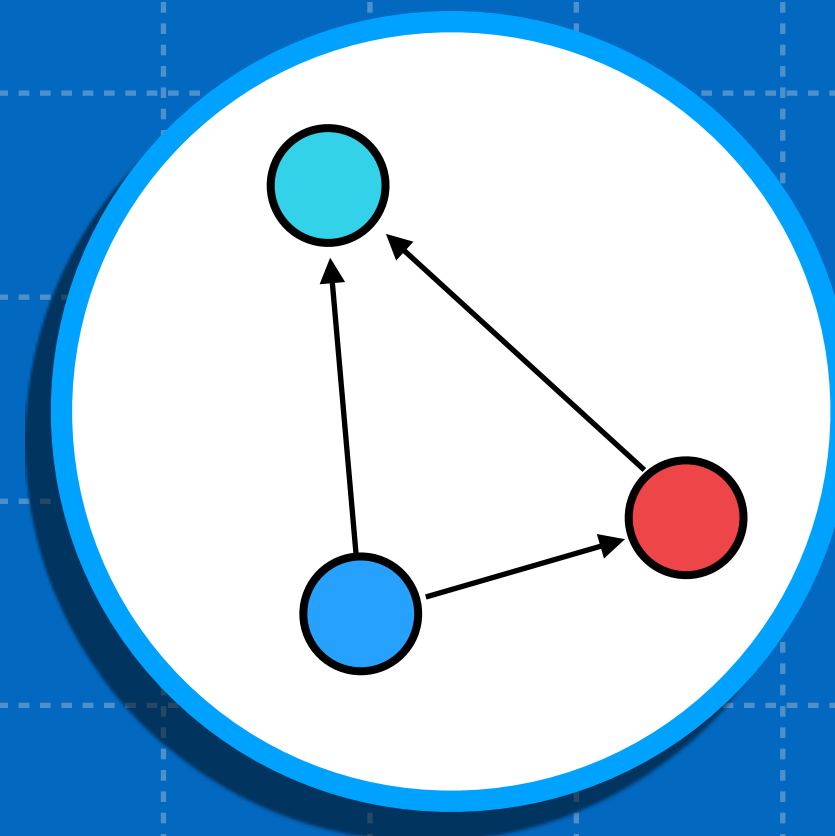
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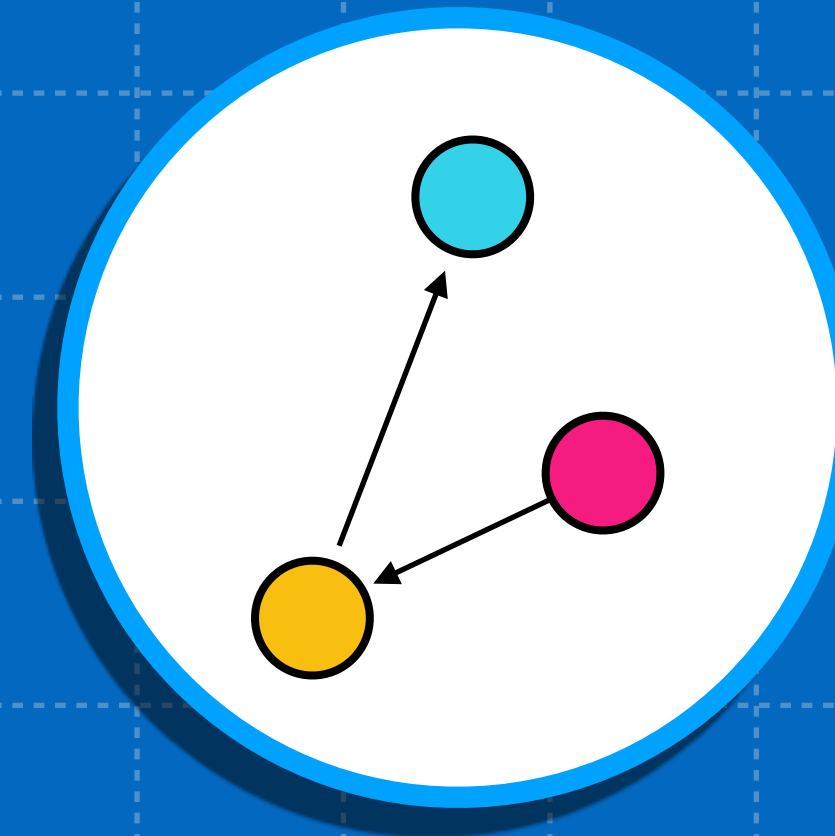


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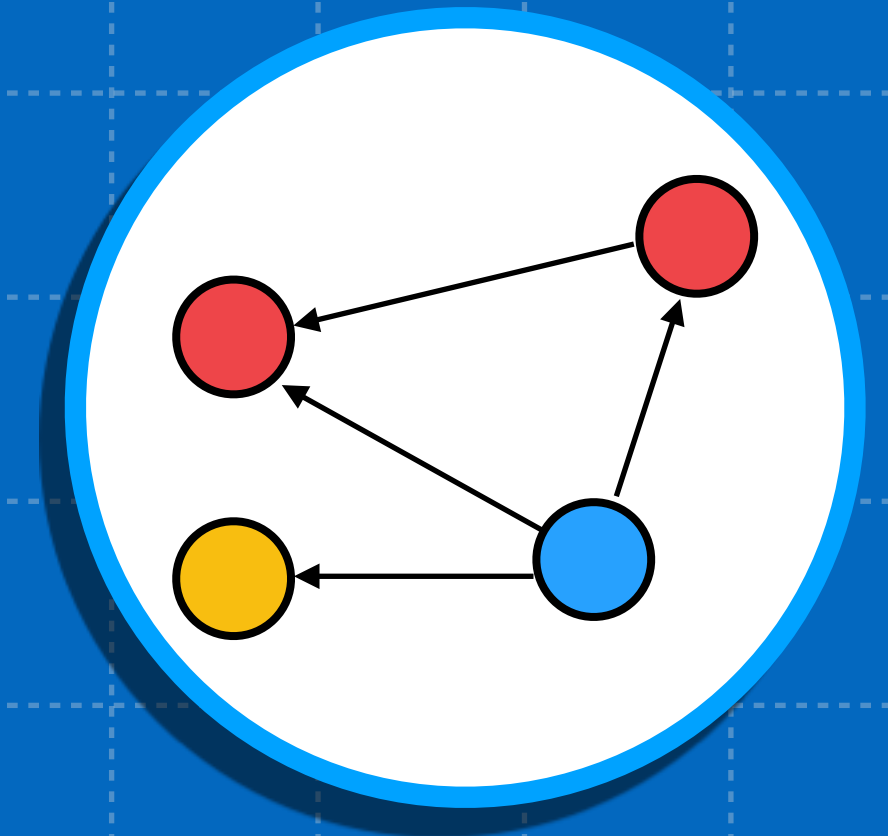
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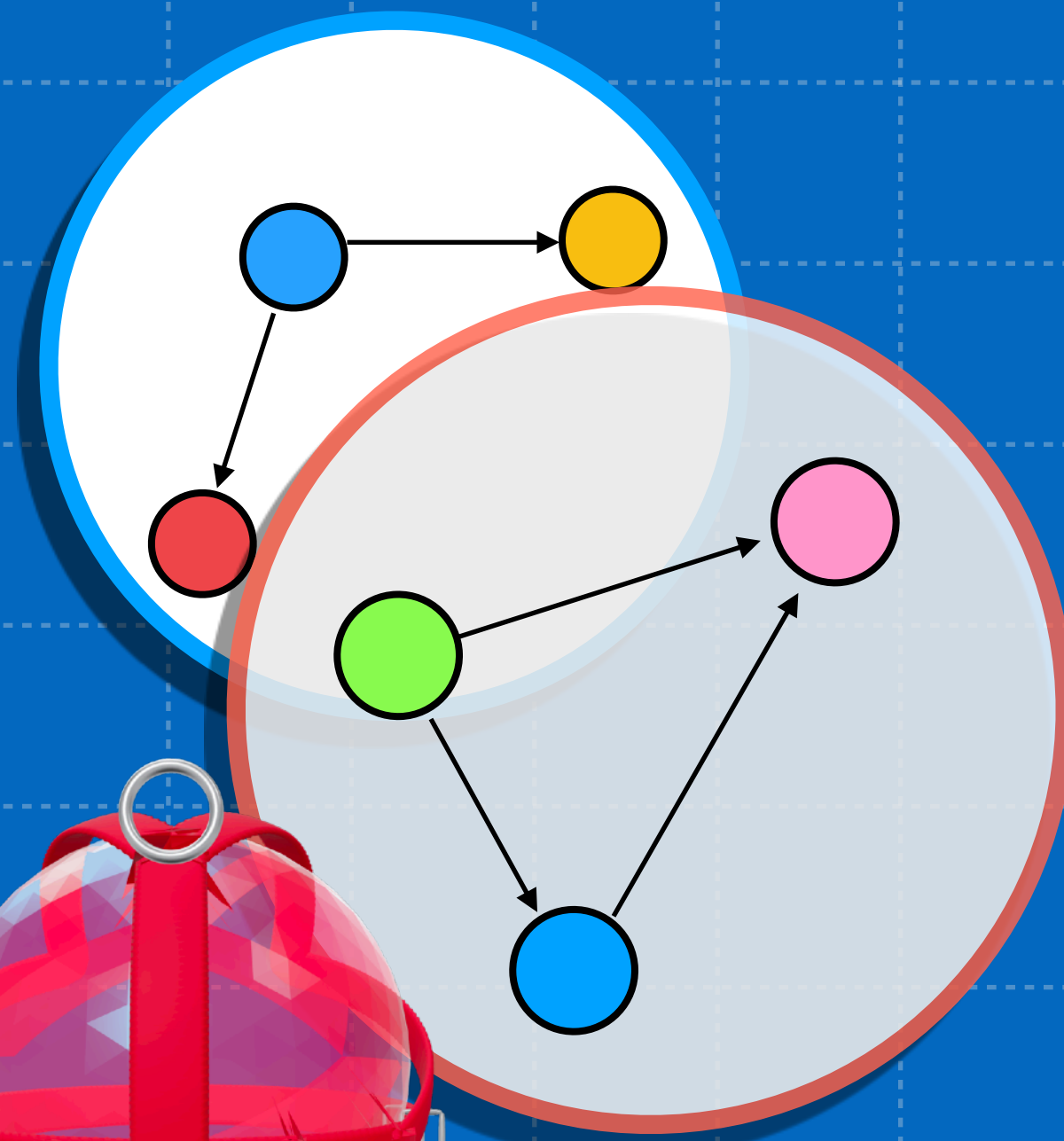
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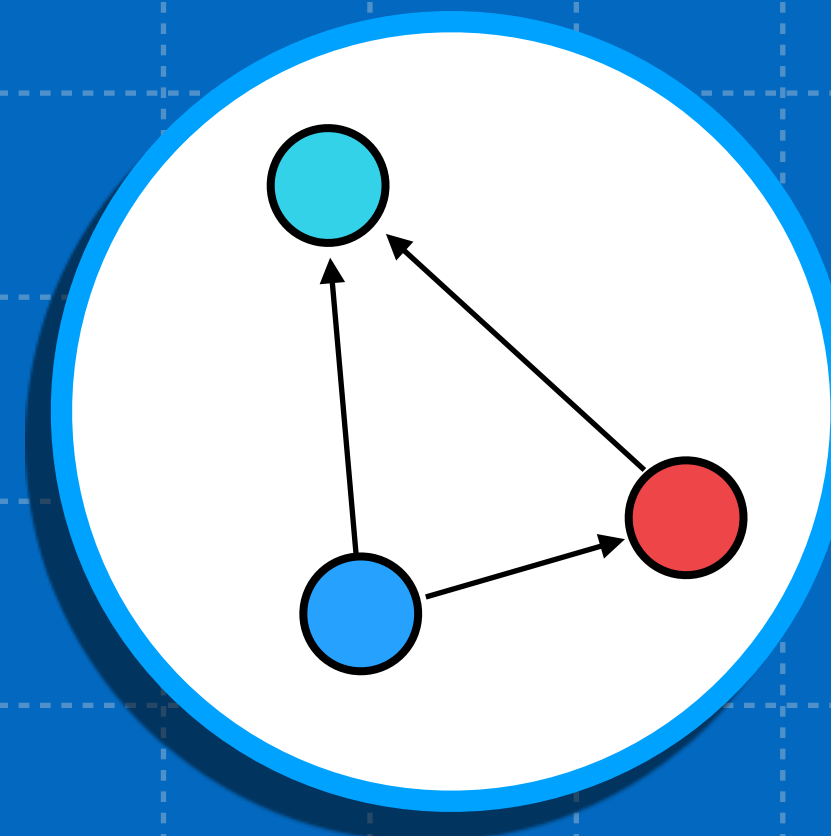
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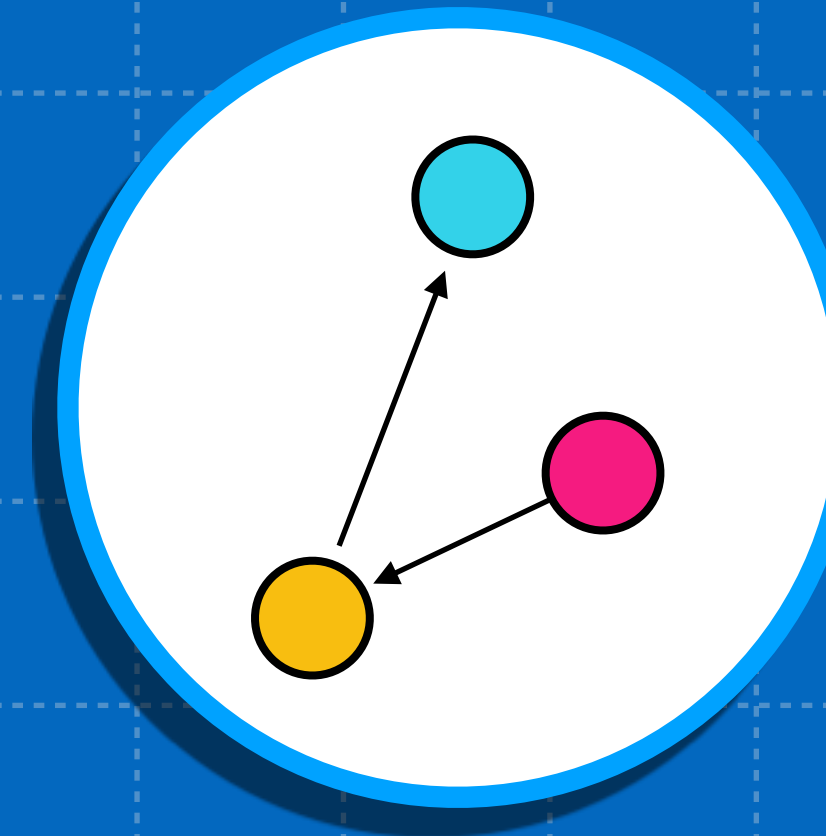


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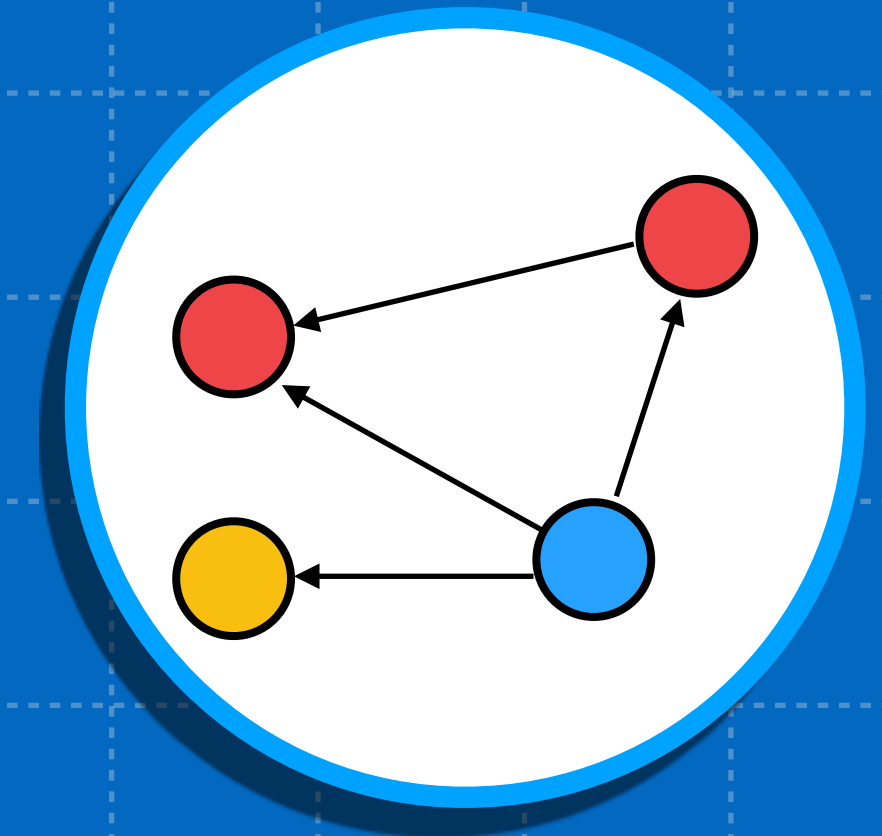
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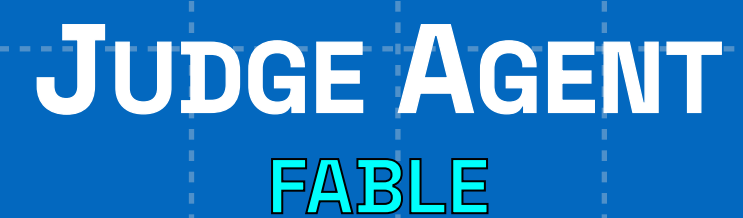
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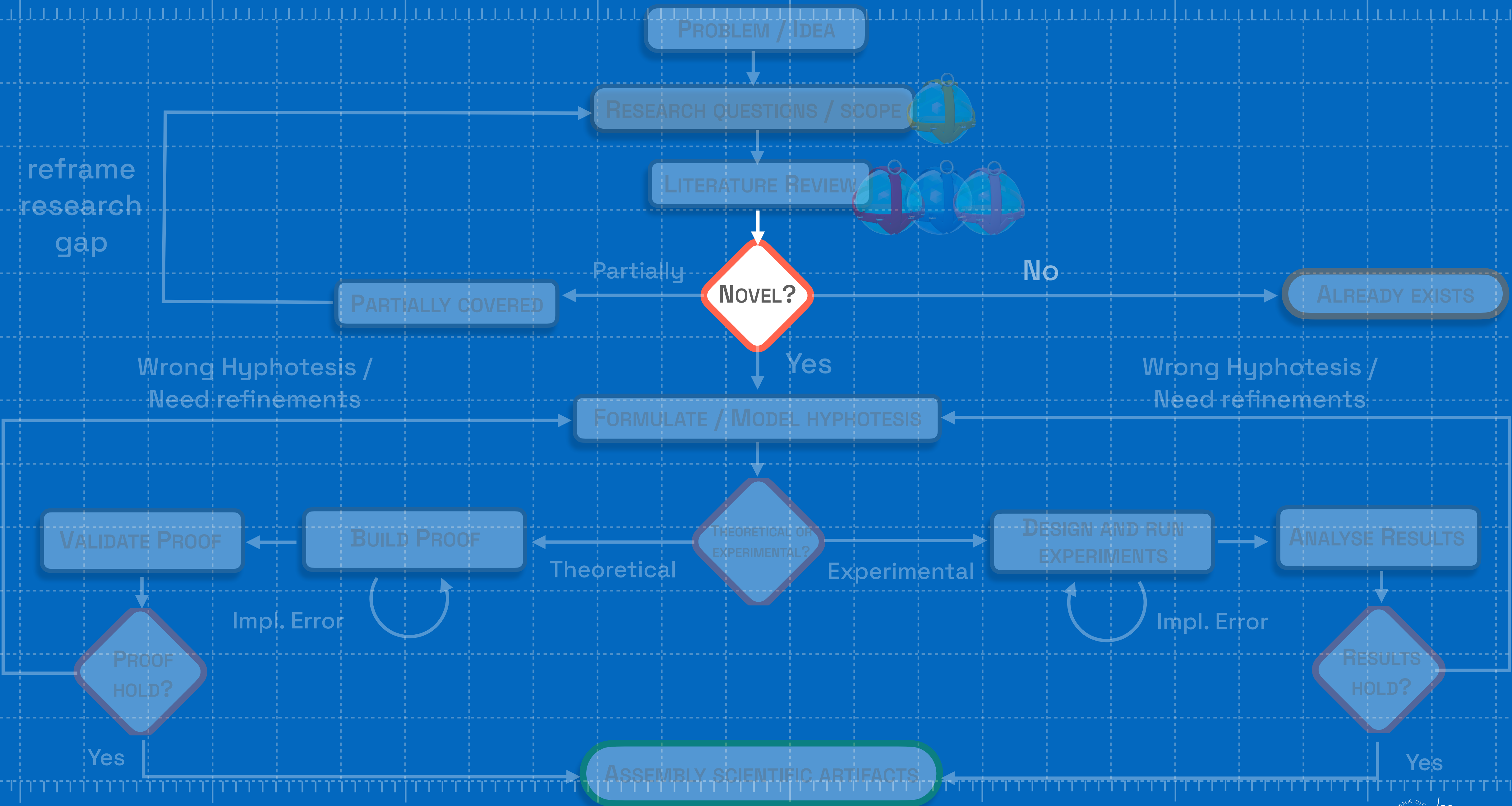
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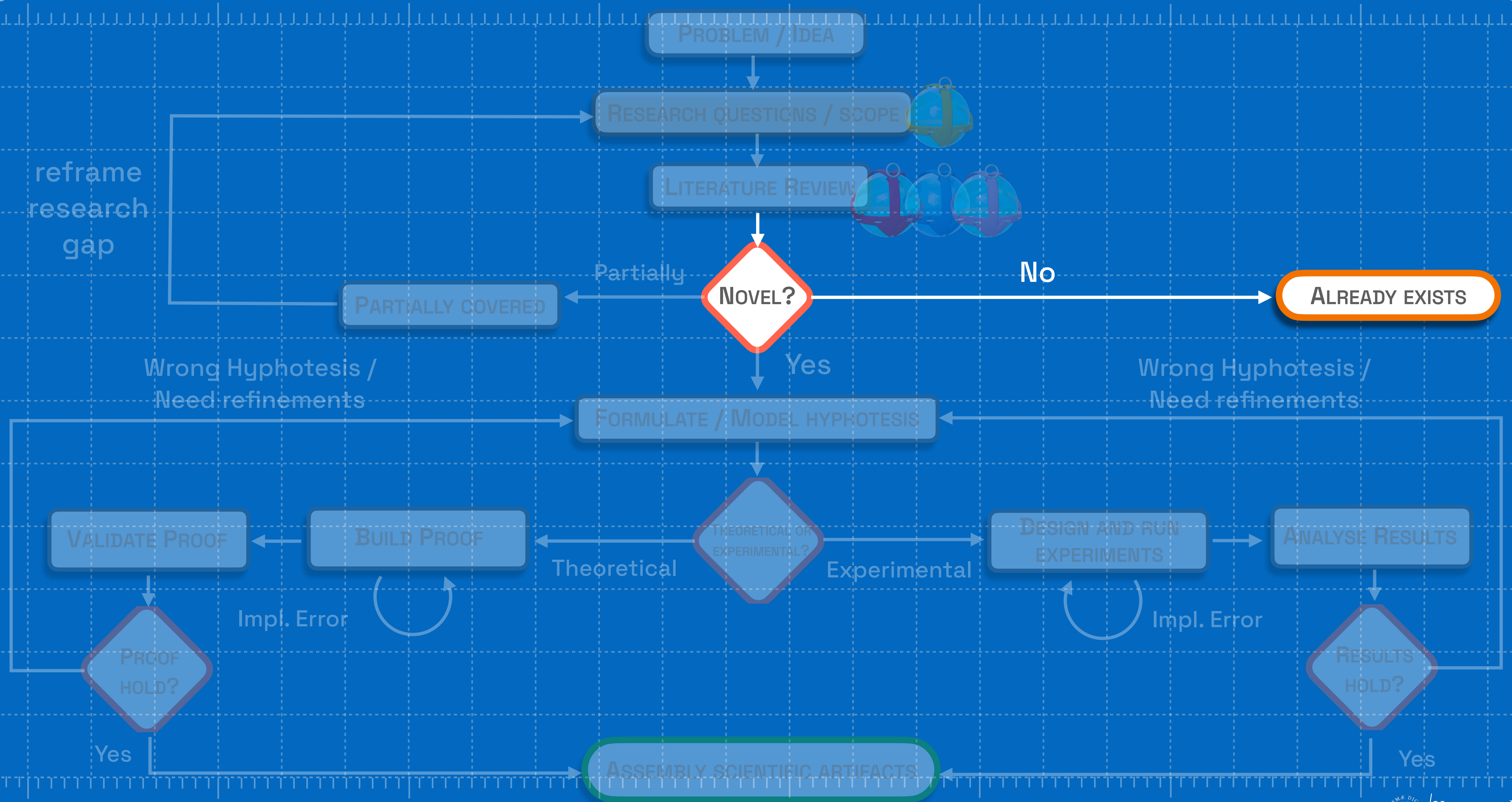
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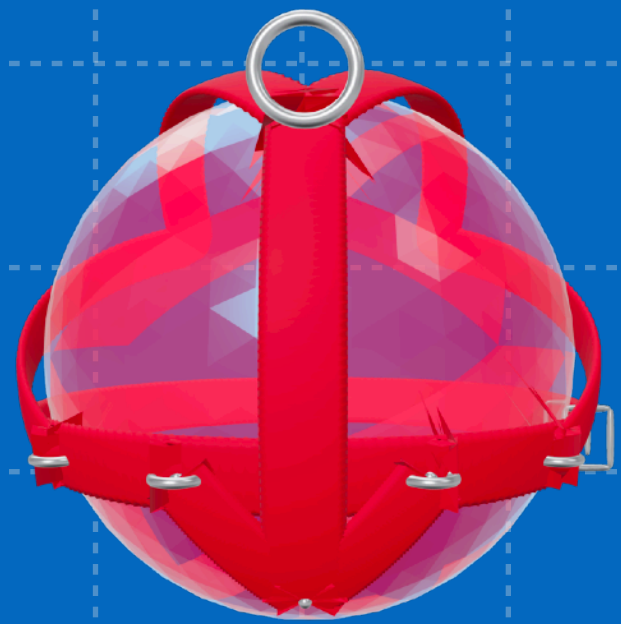
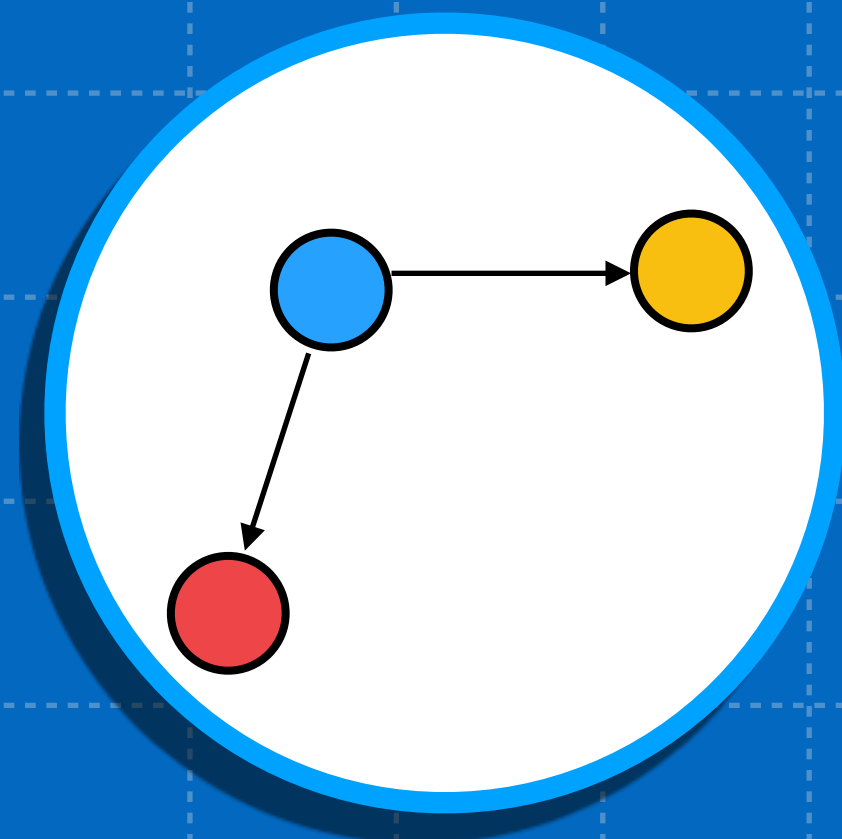
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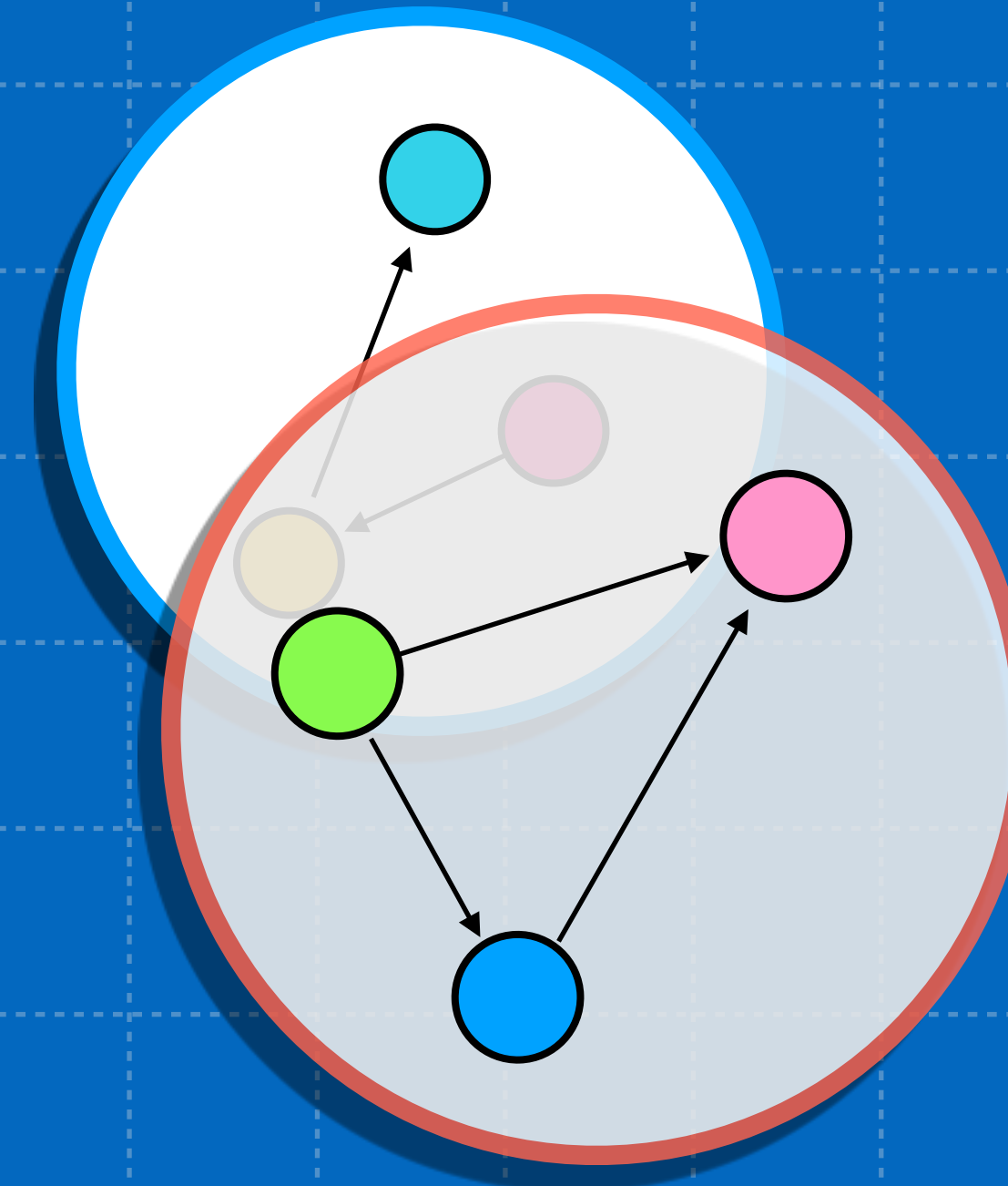
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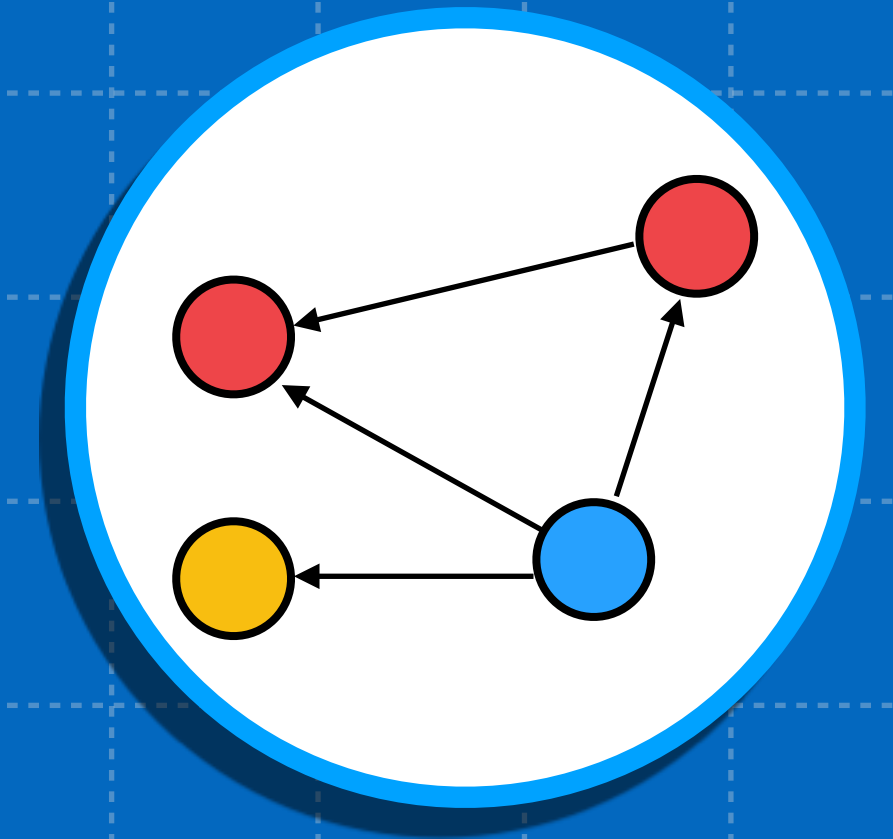
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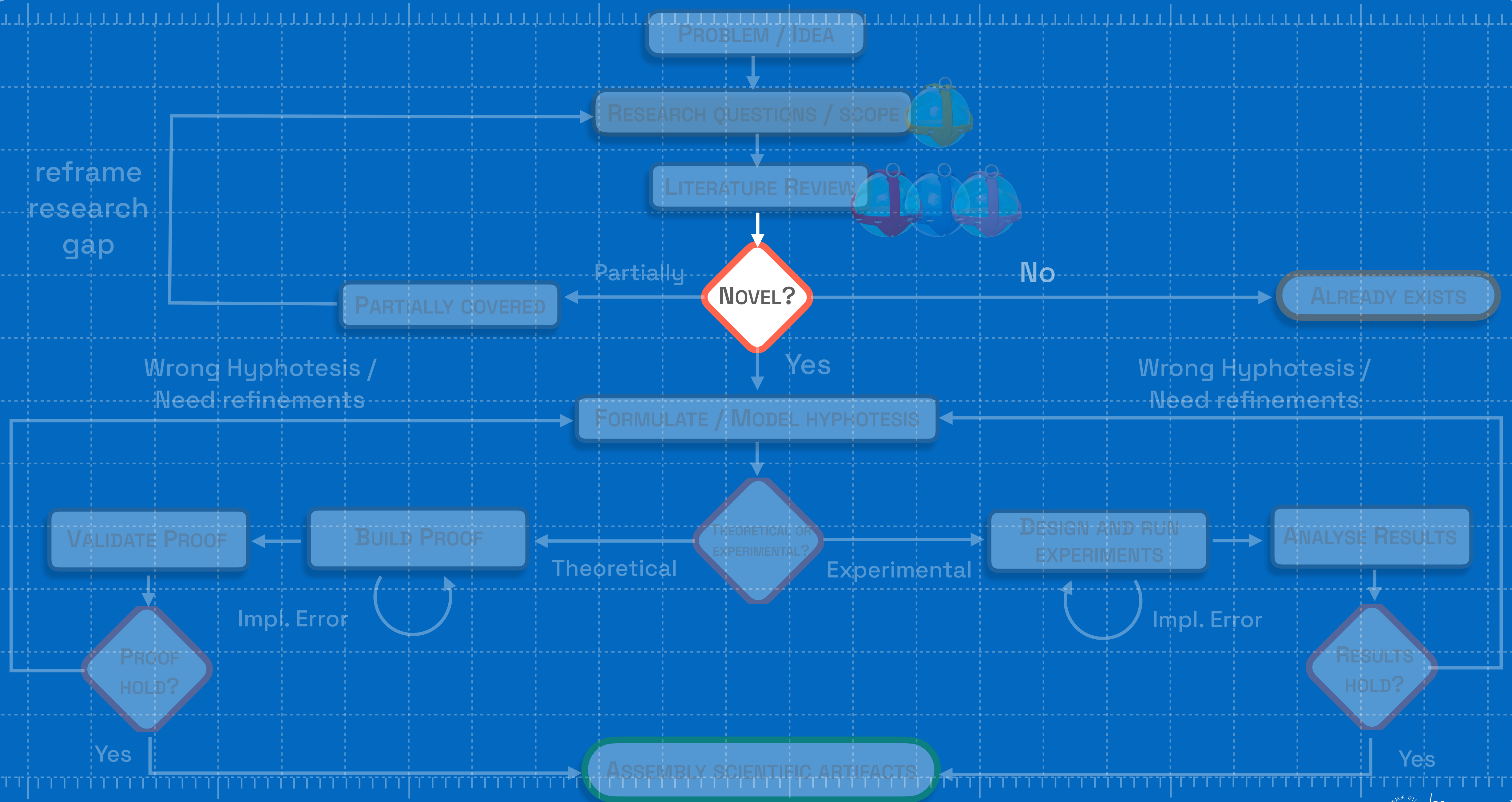


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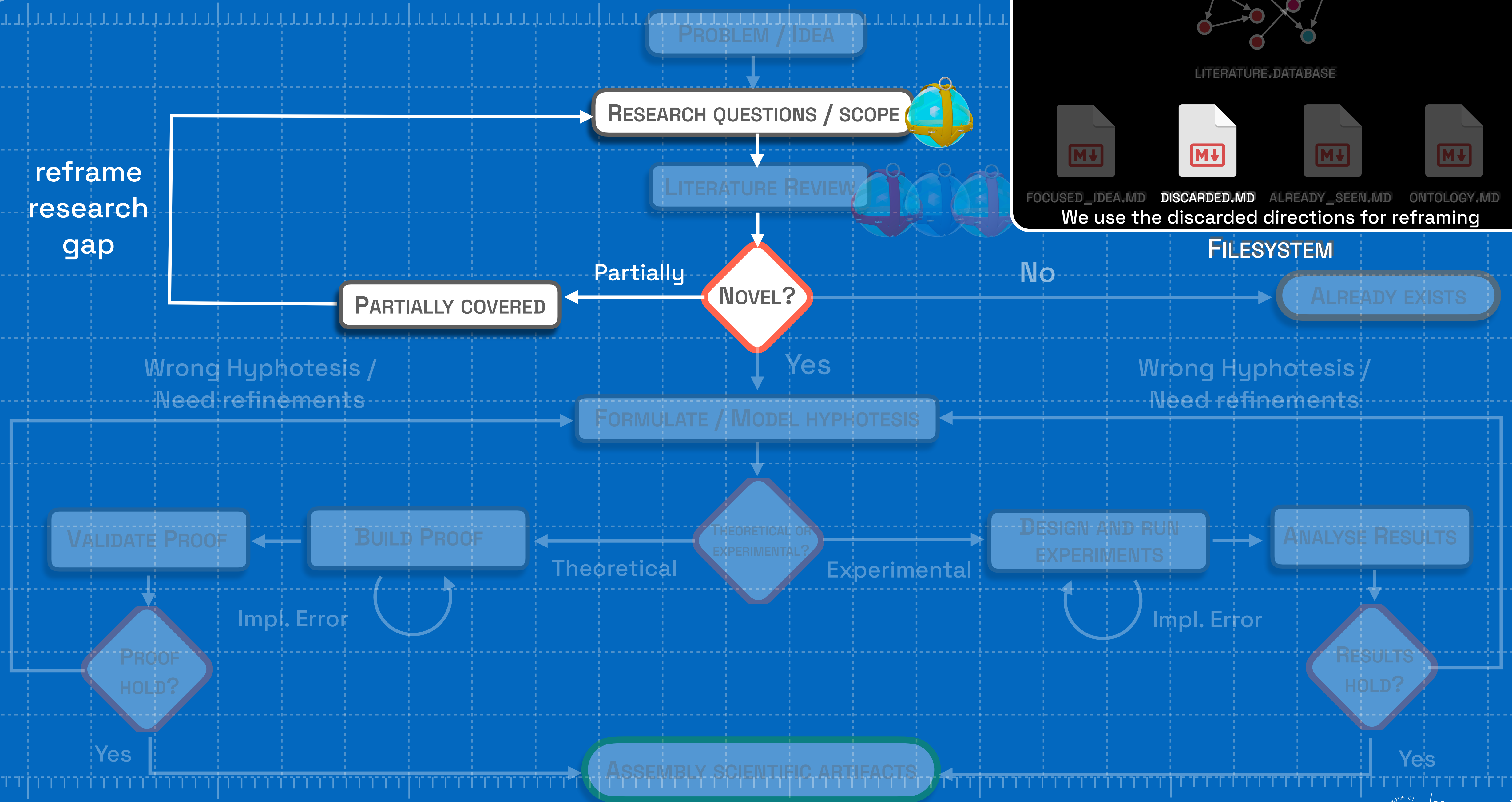
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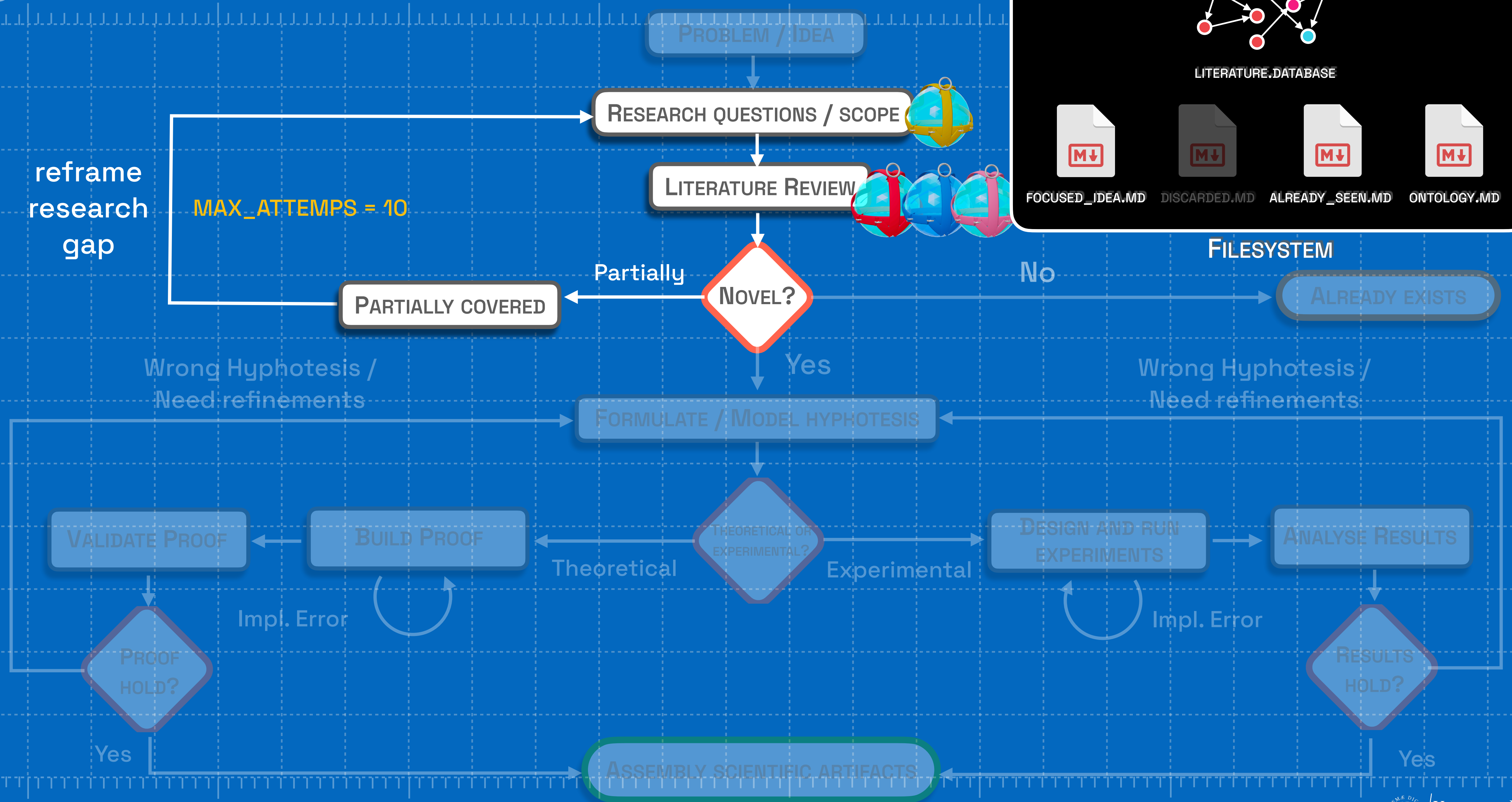
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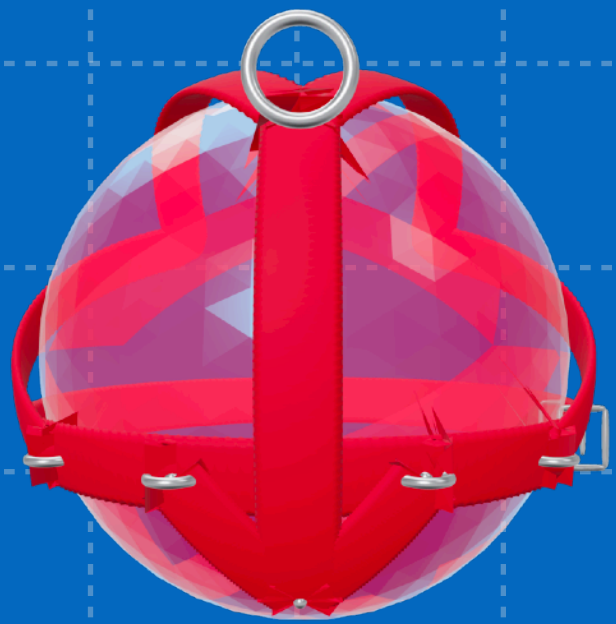
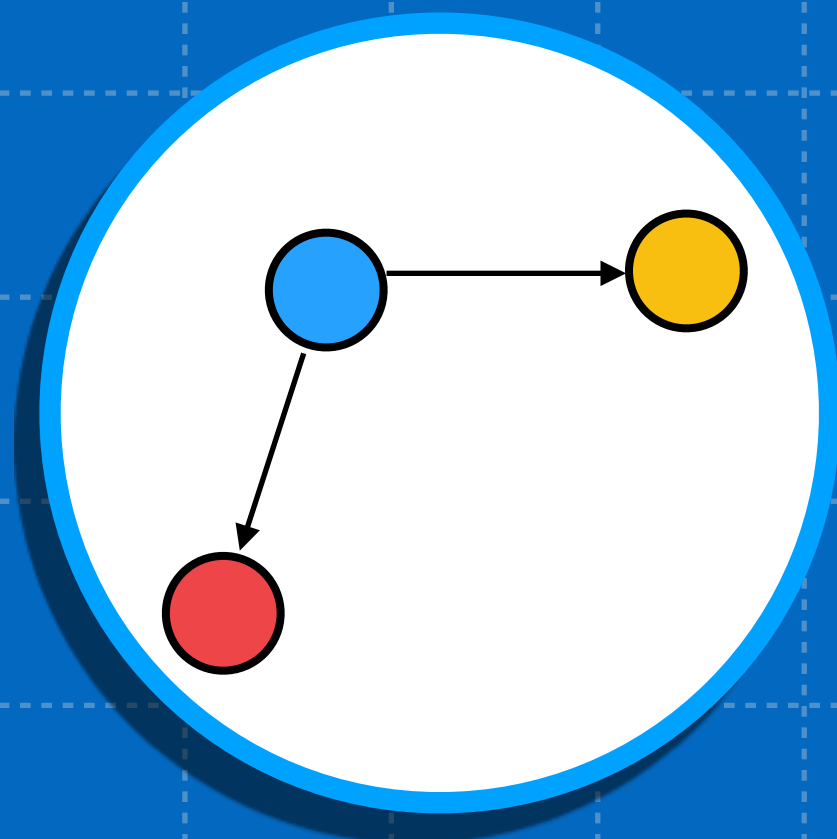
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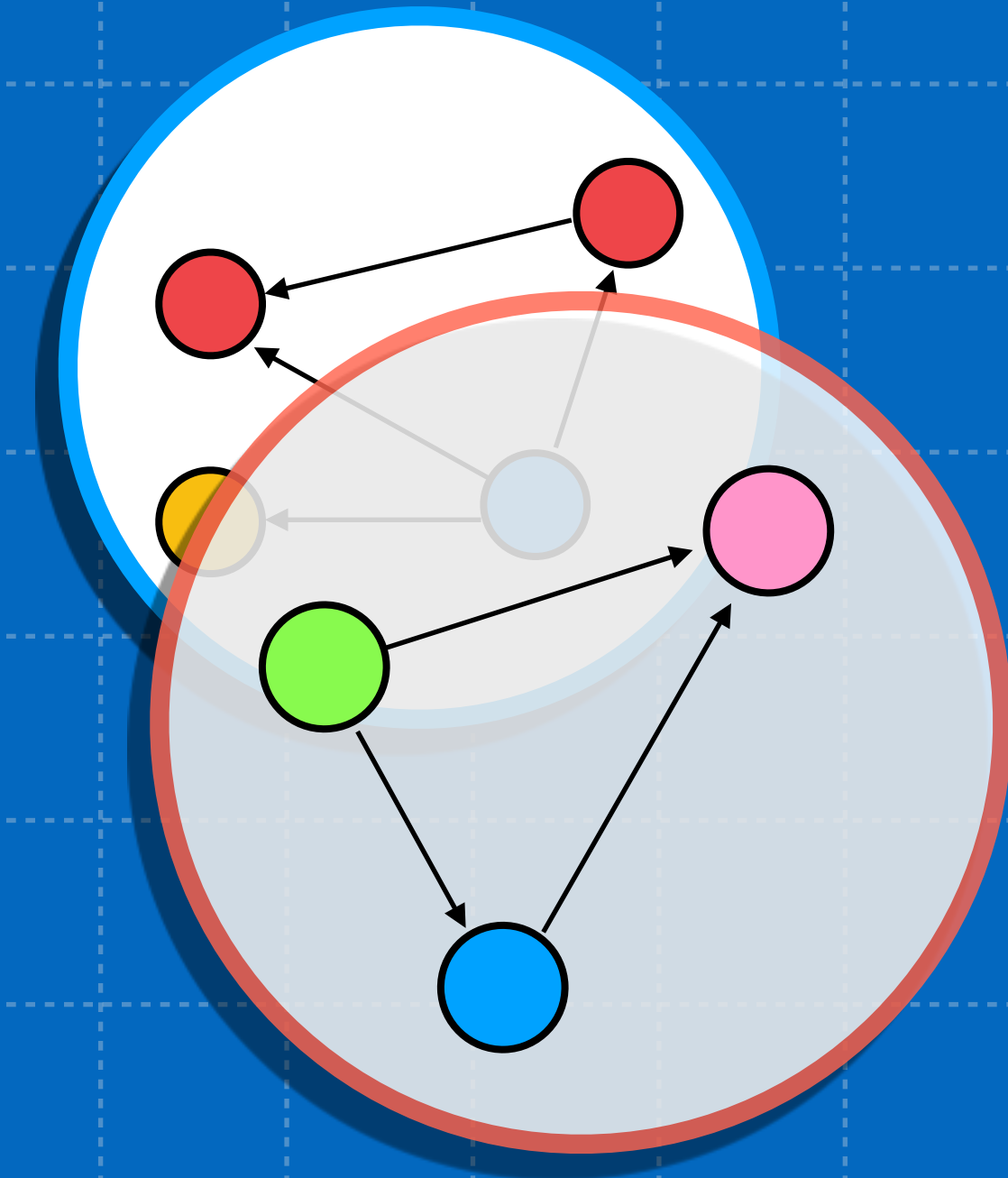
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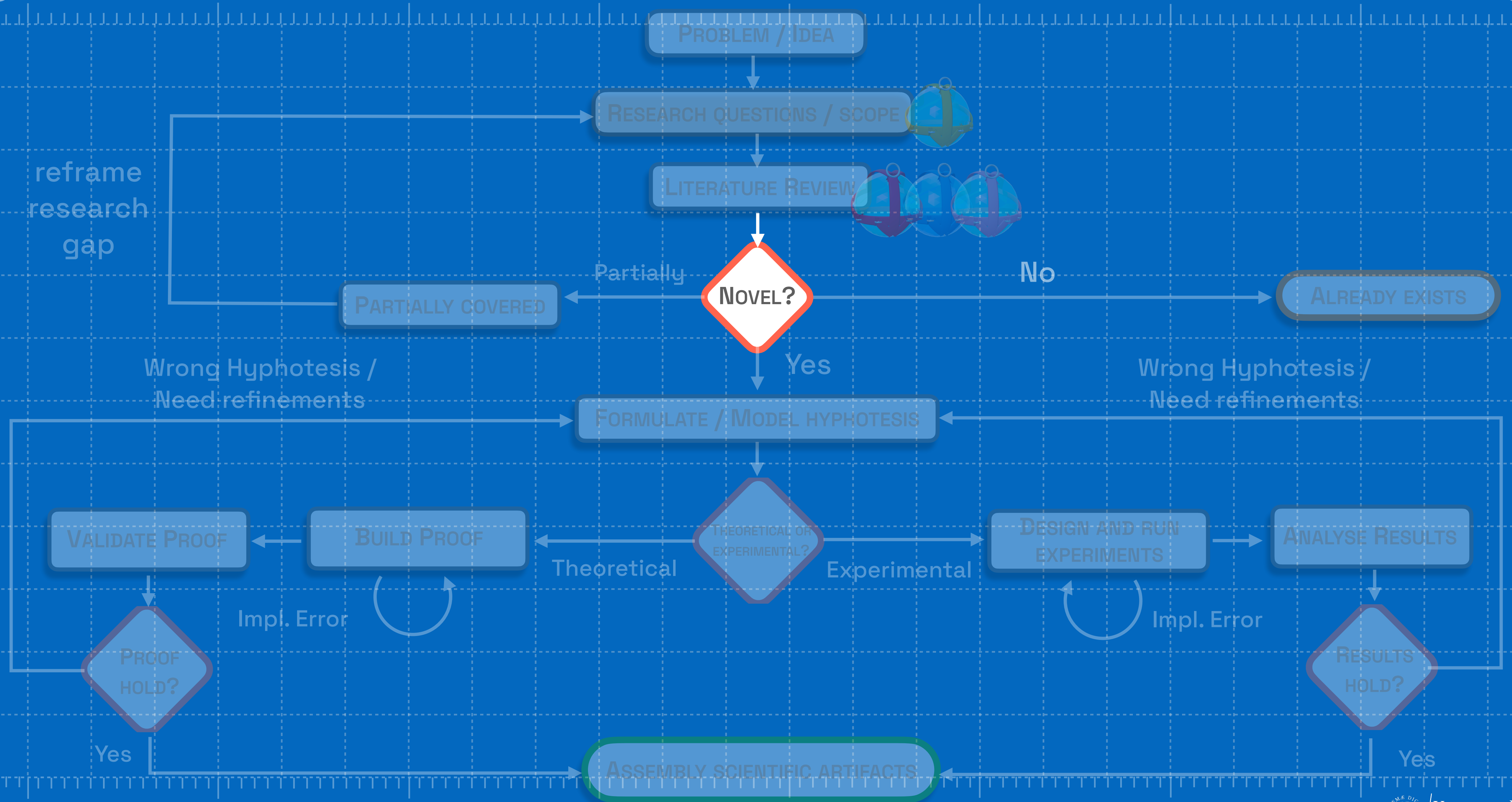
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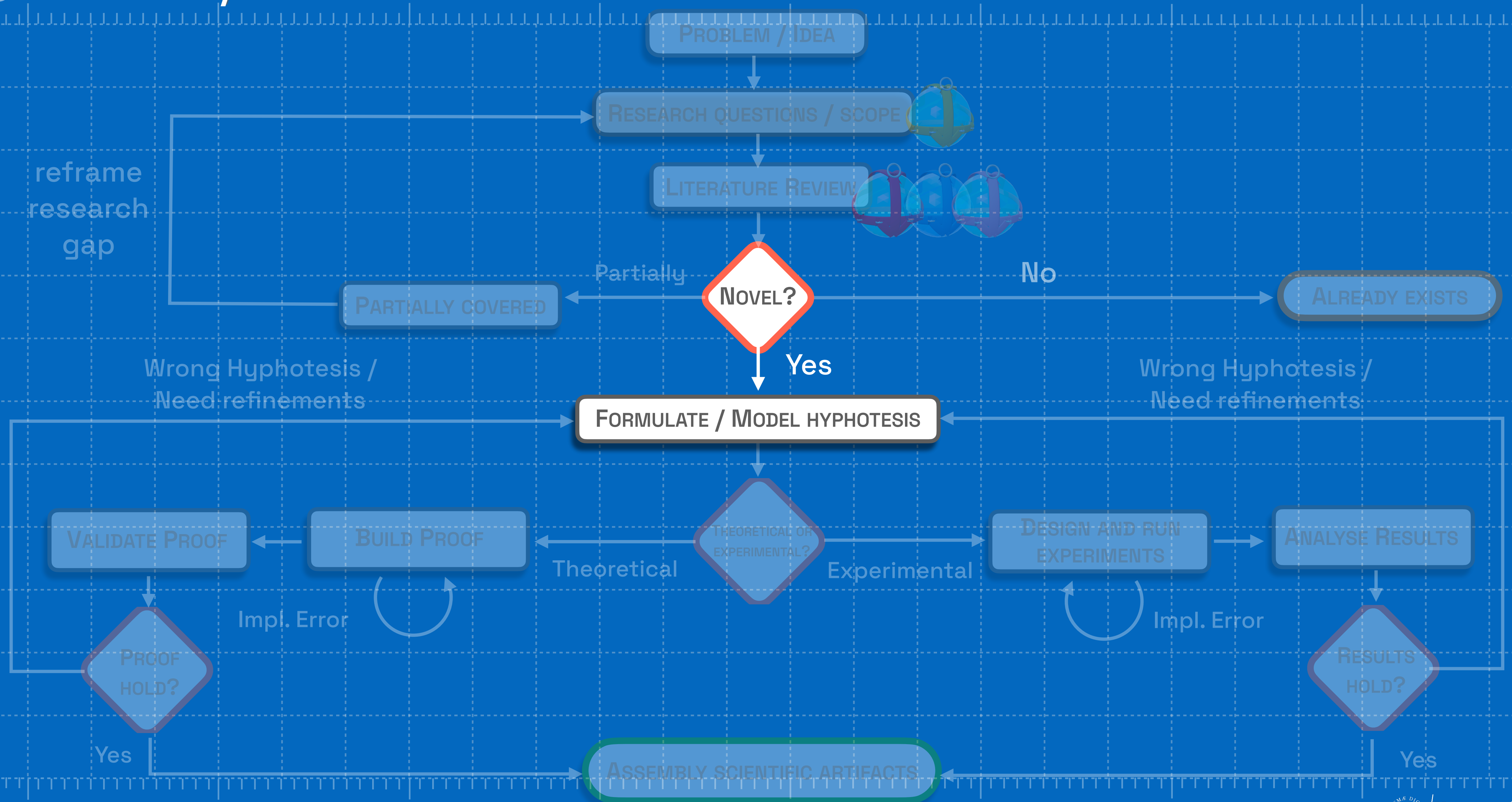


CONJECTURE 1

● NOVEL? GATE



FORMULATE / MODEL HYPOTHESIS



FORMULATE / MODEL HYPOTHESIS

This node is the bridge between “THERE IS A GAP” and “THERE IS SOMETHING A PROVER OR AN EXPERIMENT CAN ATTACK”

Its job is to turn a **CONJECTURE** into a fully specified, falsifiable object.

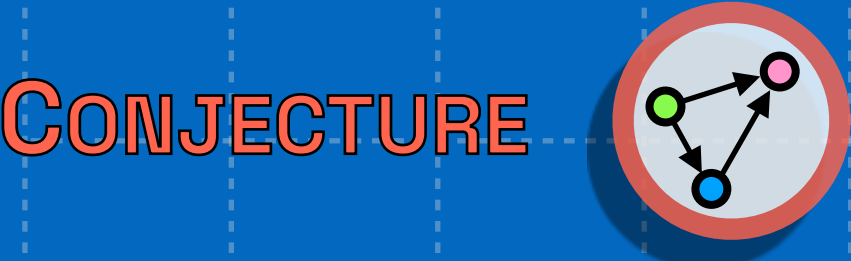
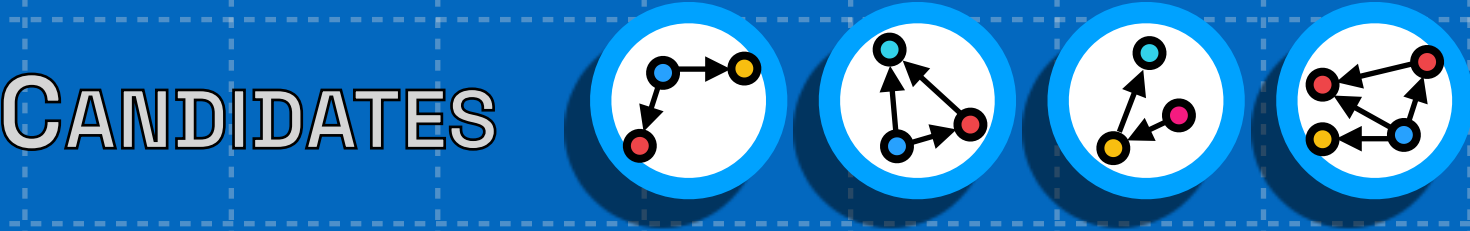
WHAT DOES IT PRODUCE?

- 1 THE MODEL**
The formal setting the claim lives in: input model, cost model, computational model
- 2 THE STATEMENT QUANTIFIED**
Explicit quantifiers, explicit scope, explicit parameter regime (No “efficient”, no “for reasonable inputs”).
- 3 THE ASSUMPTION SET**
Same “assumes” edges as any statement in your ontology. The gate compared assumption sets to decide partial coverage, and the refinement loop works by editing this set, so it has to be an object.
- 4 NOTATION GROUNDED IN THE GRAPH**
Symbols and definitions resolved against existing Symbol and Definition nodes rather than invented locally. Otherwise the hypothesis is unmatched against the literature you just searched, and the paper writing node later reintroduces the mismatch.
- 5 THE REFUTATION CONDITION**
What observation or counterexample would kill it. This is the single most important output, because it is what the falsifier is graded against, and a hypothesis without one cannot be refuted, only abandoned.



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HYPOTHESIS CONSTRUCTOR AGENT



```
hypothesis_id: H-001
status: proposed

claim:
  text: >
    Under assumptions A1 and A2, method X provid
    lower asymptotic cost than method Y.
  grounded_in:
    - statement:S17
    - theorem:T04

model:
  input_model:
    value: streaming classical data
    grounded_in:
      - definition:D12

  computational_model:
    value: null
    status: unresolved

  cost_model:
    value: gate complexity
    grounded_in:
      - definition:D31

quantification:
  variables:
    - N
    - epsilon

quantifiers:
  N: "for all N >= N0"
  epsilon: null

parameter_regime:
  value: null
  status: unresolved

assumptions:
  - id: A1
    statement: ...
    grounded_in:
      - statement:S24
  - id: A2
    statement: ...
    grounded_in:
      - theorem:T11

notation:
  - symbol: N
    definition:
      node: definition:D04
  - symbol: epsilon
    definition:
      node: definition:D18

refutation_condition:
  value: null
  status: unresolved

supporting_candidates:
  - subgraph:G12
  - subgraph:G19

unresolved:
  - computational model not explicitly specified
  - epsilon quantification missing
  - parameter regime missing
  - refutation condition missing
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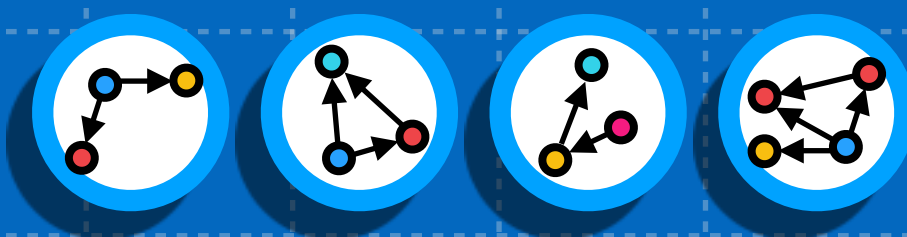
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magically solve every ambiguity in one pass.



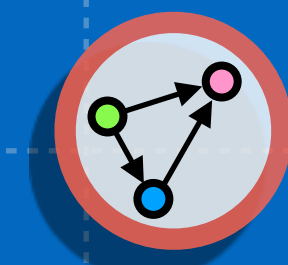
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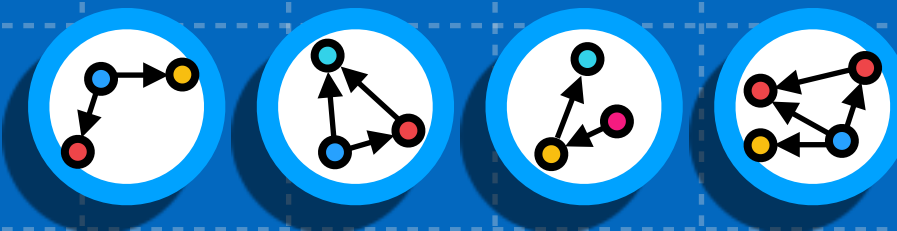
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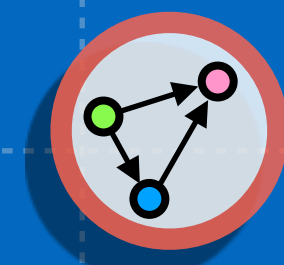
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THE MODEL

In exactly what computational/input/cost model does this statement hold?

QUANTIFIED STATEMENT

For all what? There exists what? Which N , ϵ , noise level, hardware regime, etc.?

ASSUMPTIONS

Which assumptions are necessary? Which come from the candidate graphs? Which are newly introduced?

GROUNDING NOTATION

Where is symbol X defined? Is this the same X used in candidate theorem Y ?

REFUTATION CONDITION

What concrete observation would make this hypothesis false?

Spec Challenger Agent

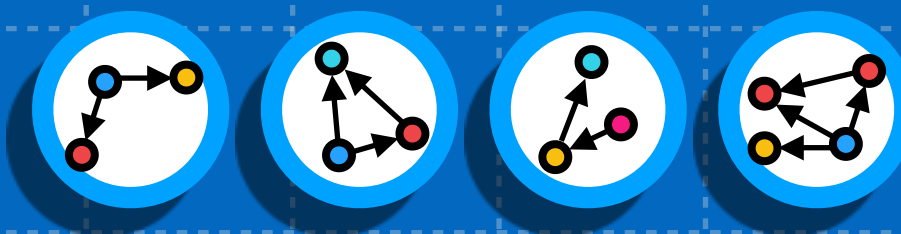
should attack specification, not truth.



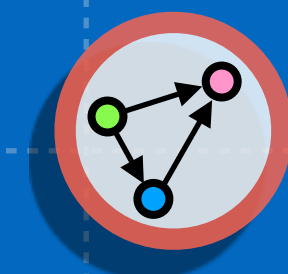
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YAML

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audit:
  model:
    status: fail
    reason: computational model is unspecified

  quantification:
    status: partial
    reason: epsilon is not quantified

  assumptions:
    status: pass

  notation:
    status: pass

  refutation_condition:
    status: fail
    reason: no explicit falsifying observation exists

questions:
  - target: model.computational_model
    question: >
      Which computational model is assumed by the complexity claim?

  - target: quantification.quantifiers.epsilon
    question: >
      Is the claim intended to hold for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,
      or only for a bounded accuracy regime?

  - target: refutation_condition
    question: >
      What theoretical result or experimental observation
      would contradict the claimed advantage?
```



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SPEC CHALLENGER AGENT

The important point is that this node is not yet trying to prove or refute the conjecture. Its job is to transform an informal research idea into something sufficiently explicit that the next agents can attack it.



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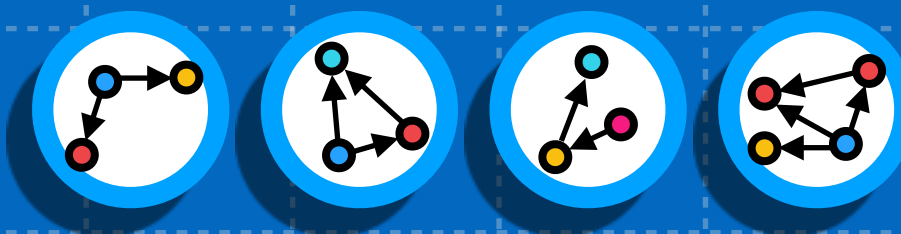
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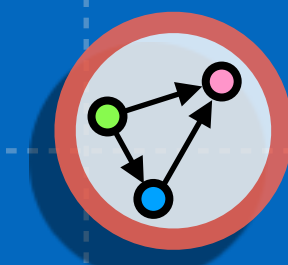
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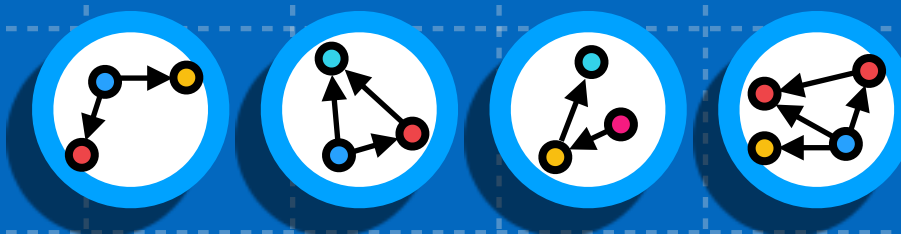
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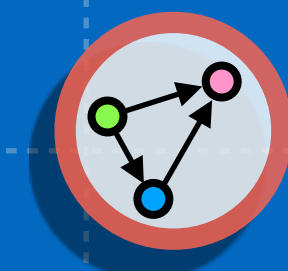


Query Graphs

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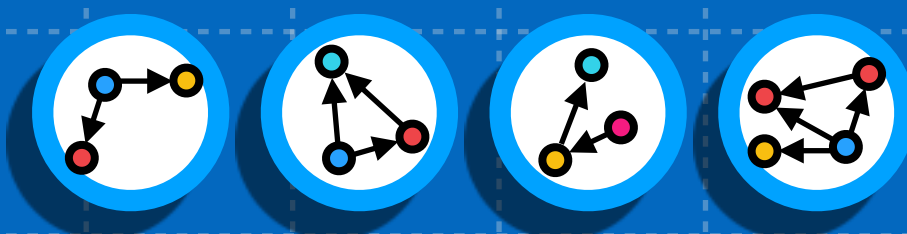
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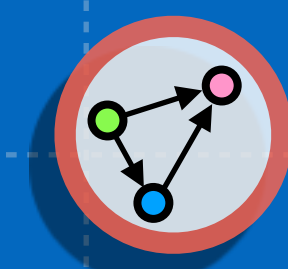
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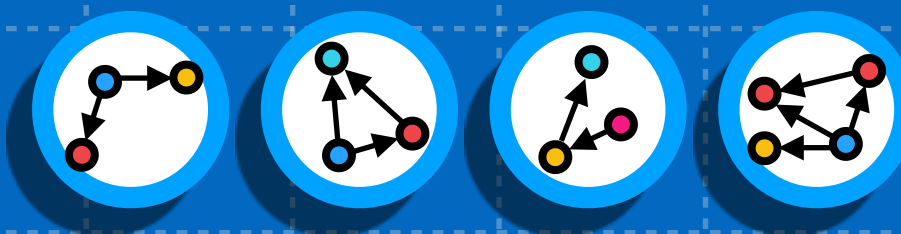
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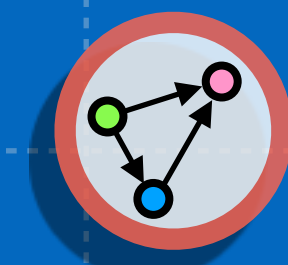
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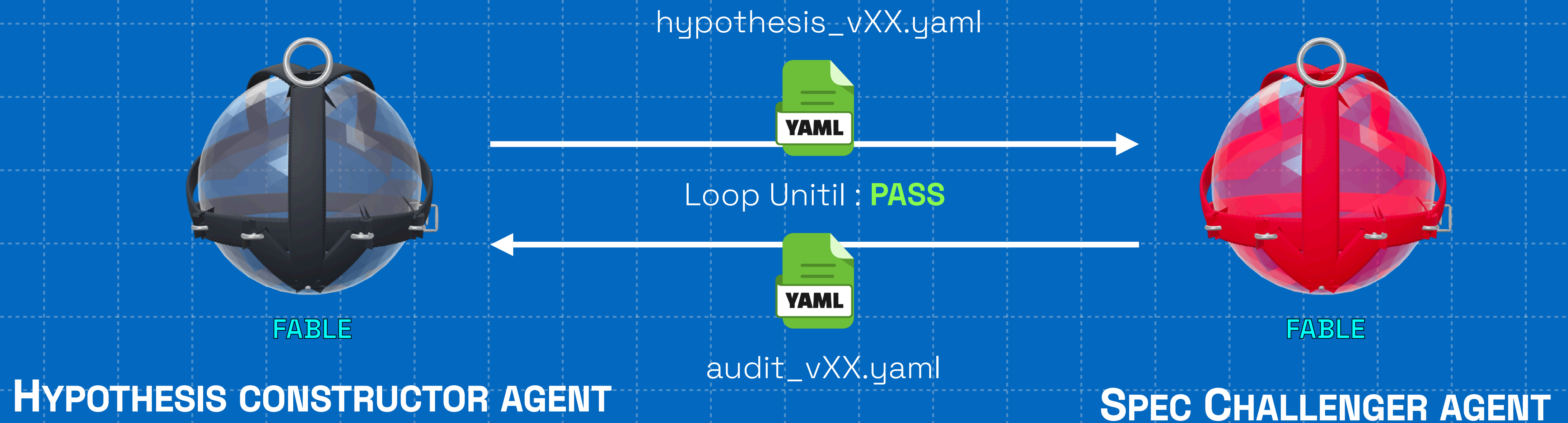
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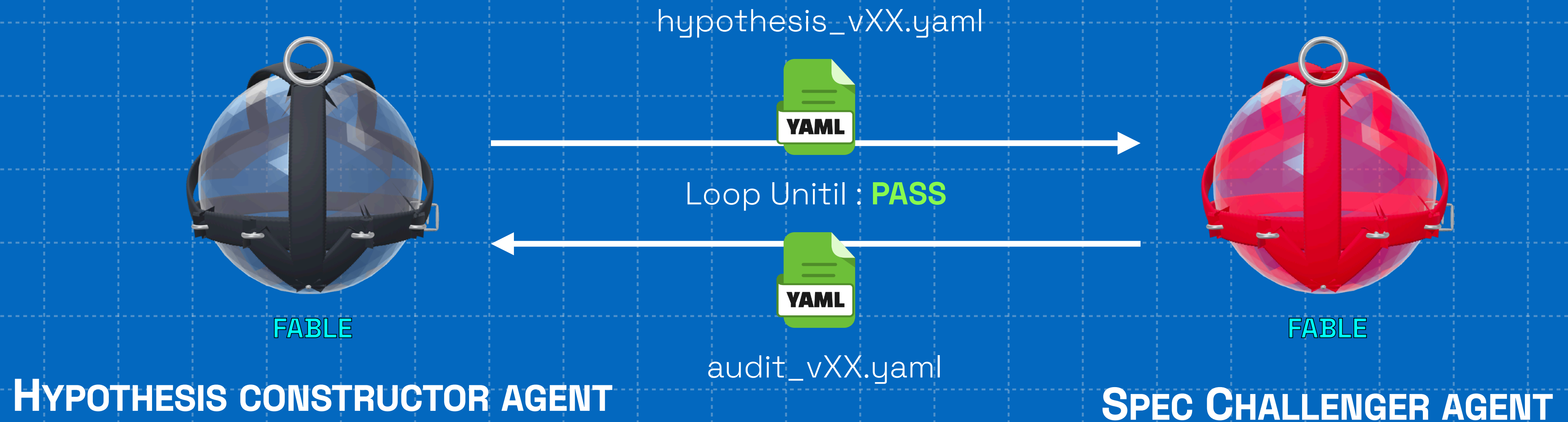
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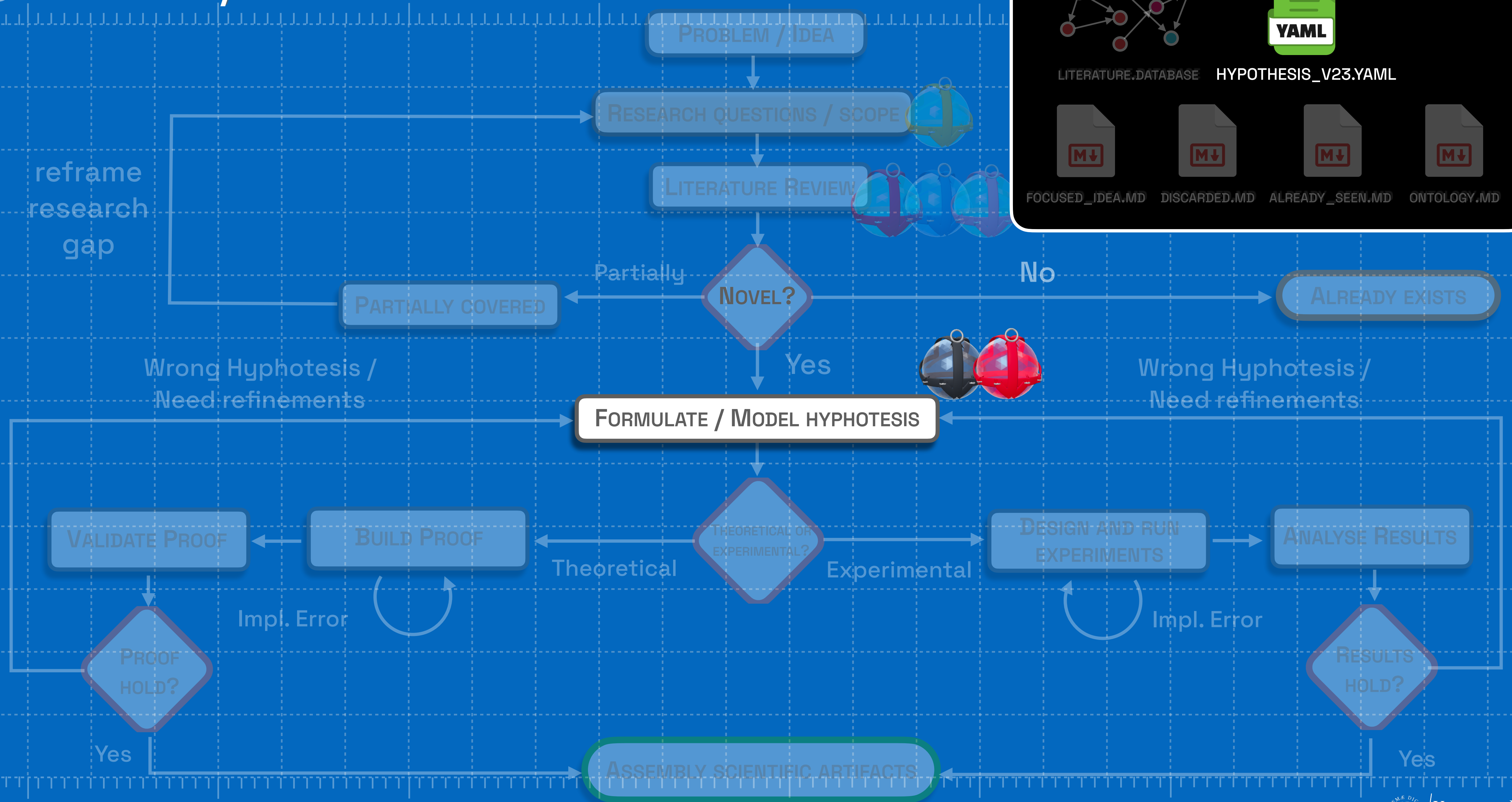


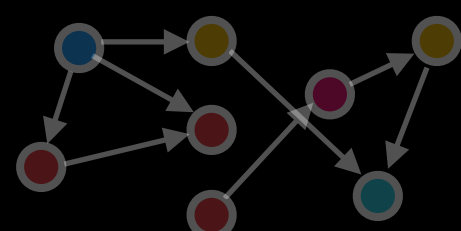


We are not exchanging free-form prose; we are evolving mutable, machine-readable scientific artifacts.

The output of one agent must become a state that another agent can inspect, modify, validate, and pass downstream.
Free prose is a poor representation for that state.

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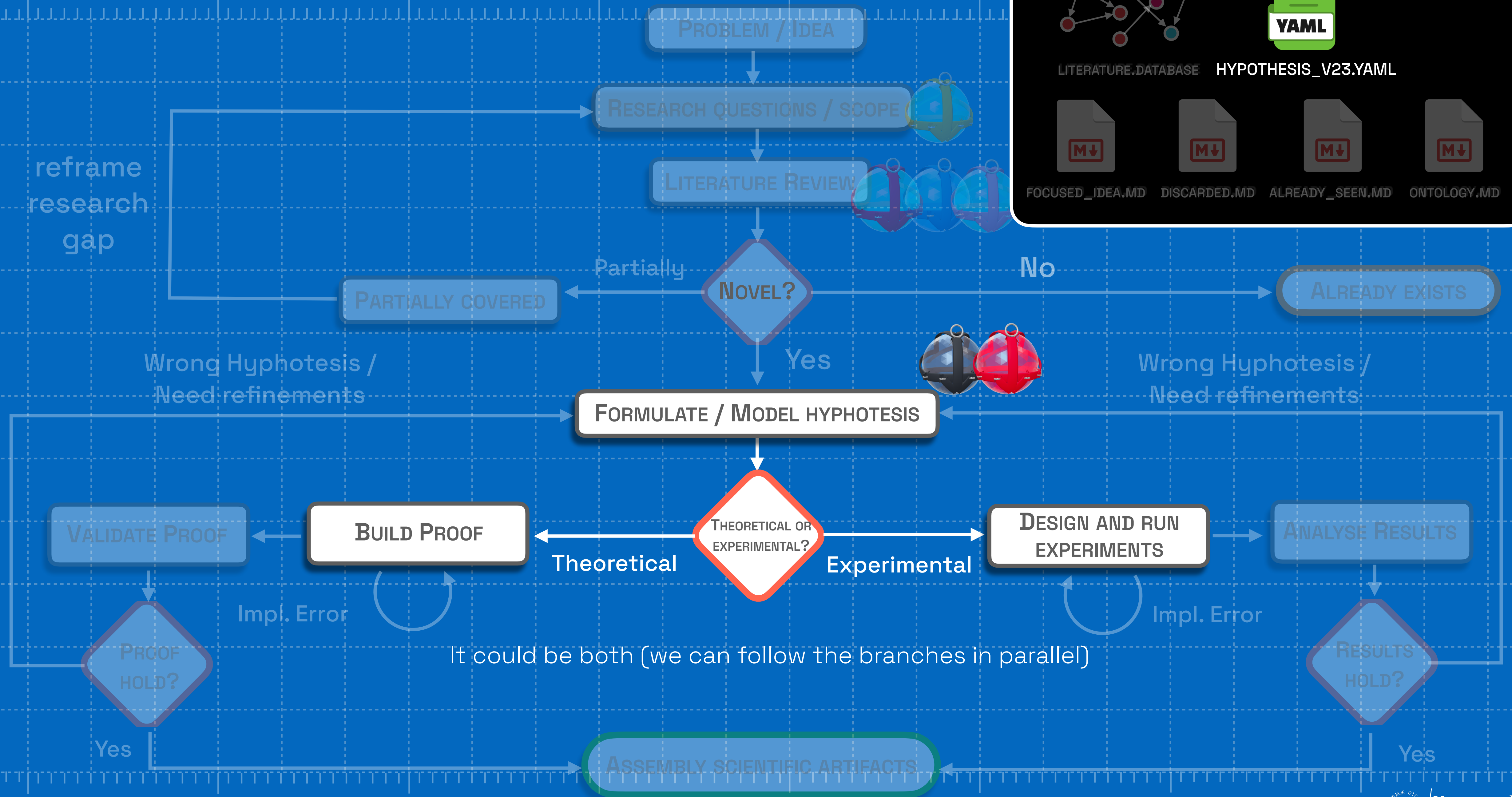


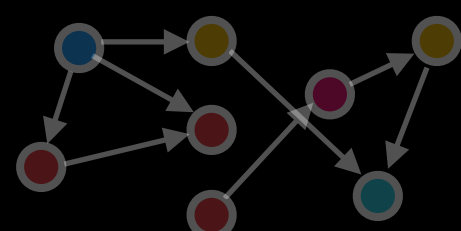
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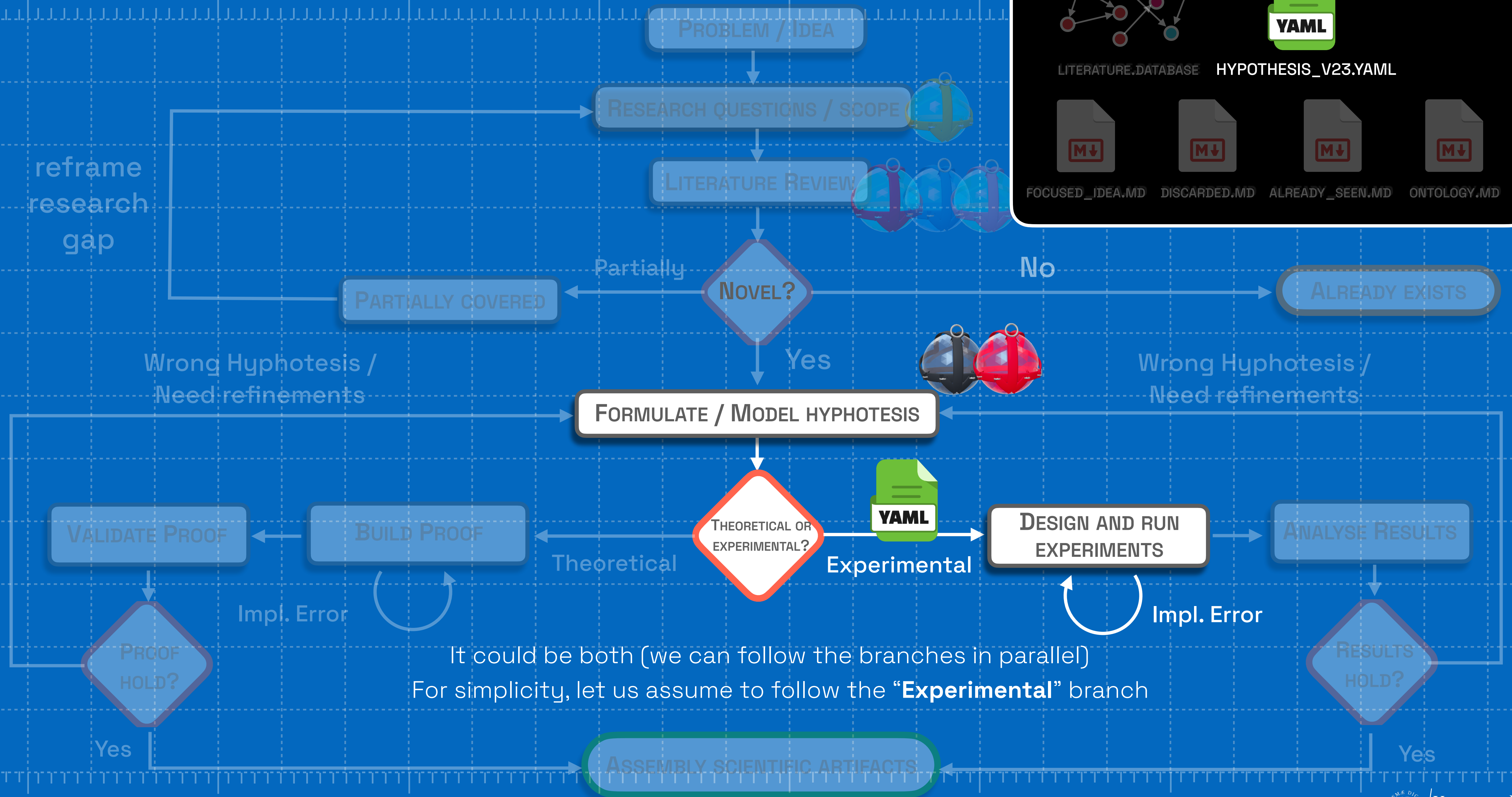


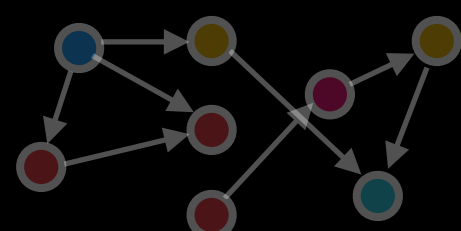
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THREE PRINCIPLES



INDEPENDENT EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

Tests are derived from the hypothesis and its refutation criteria **before** seeing the implementation.



GROUNDED IMPLEMENTATION

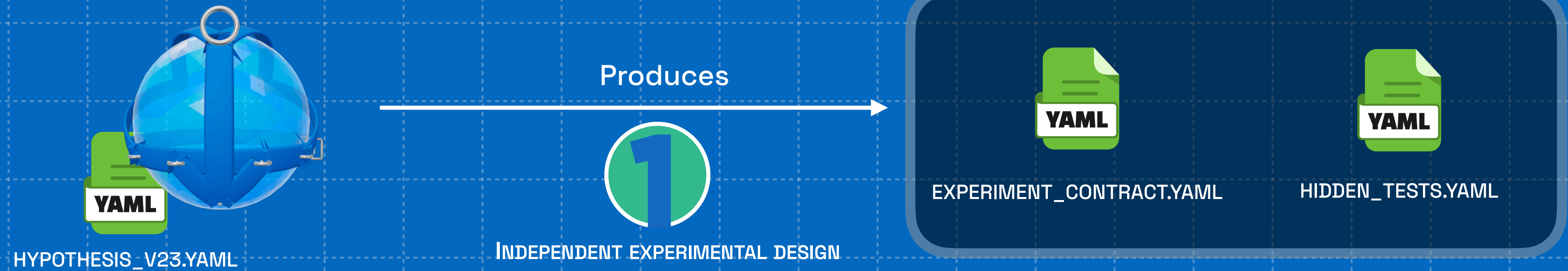
Agents reuse trusted scientific frameworks (e.g. **Qiskit/Aer**) instead of recreating simulators or domain physics unnecessarily



CONTEXT SEPARATION

The implementation agent never sees hidden tests, expected outcomes, or evaluator internals, preventing test-specific workarounds and evaluation leakage.

EXPERIMENT DESIGNER AGENT



EXP

HYP

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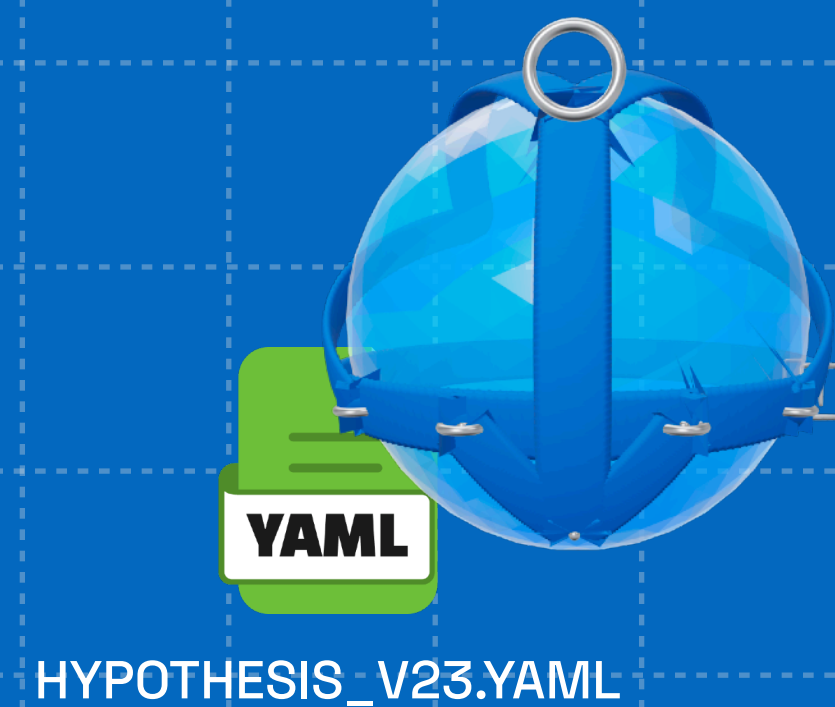
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The key point is that it describes **the contract of the experiment**, not the evaluator.

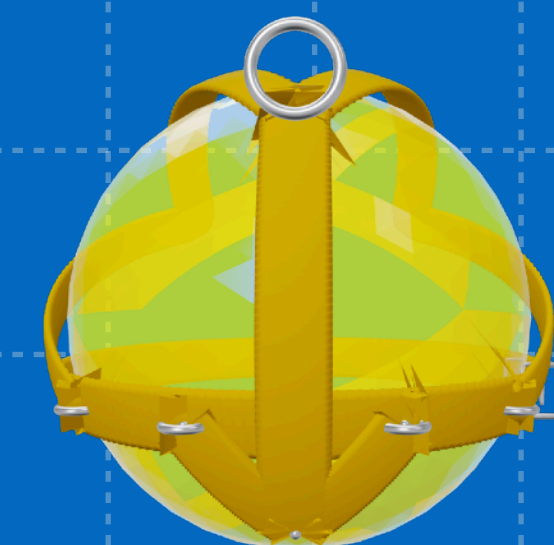
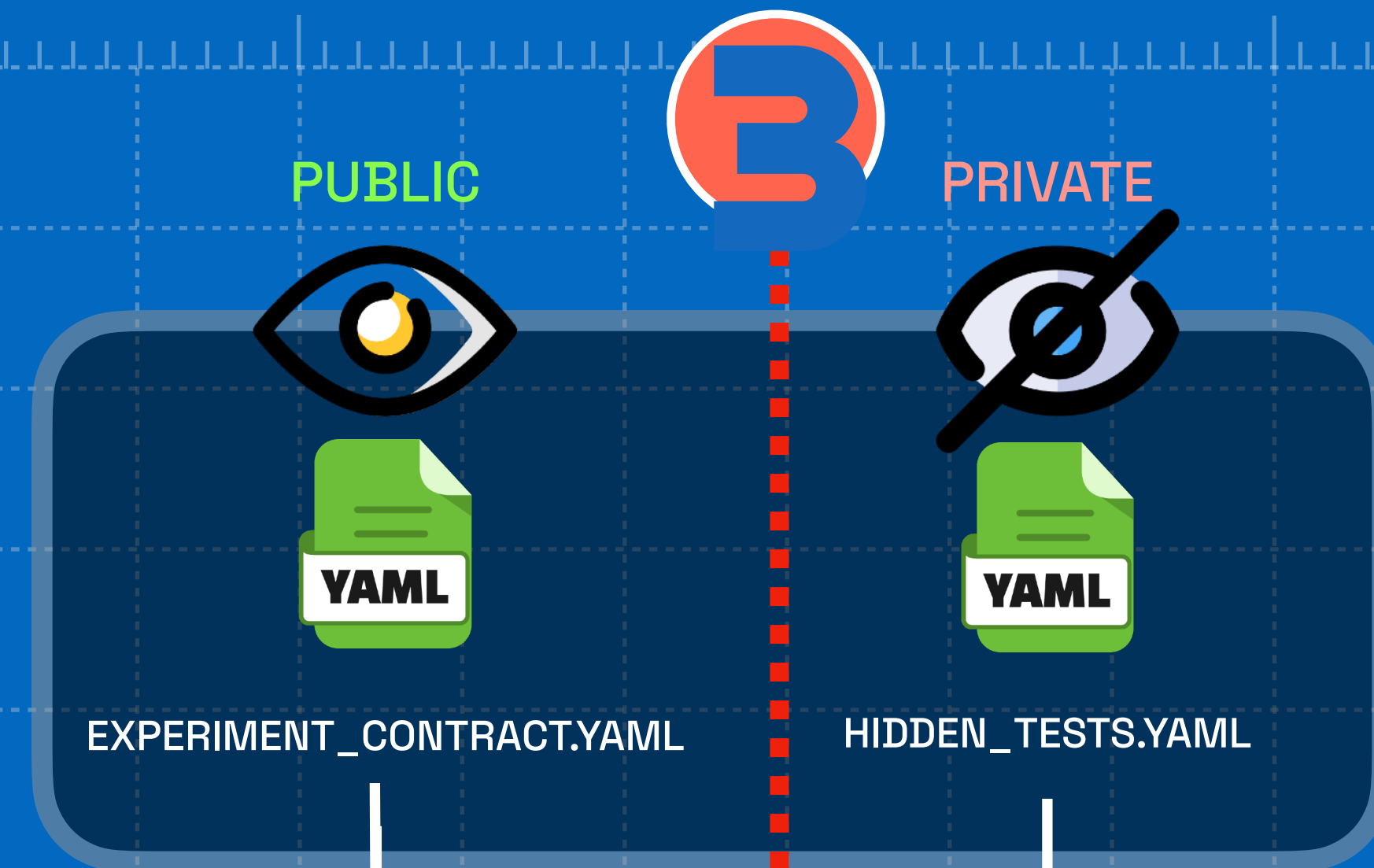
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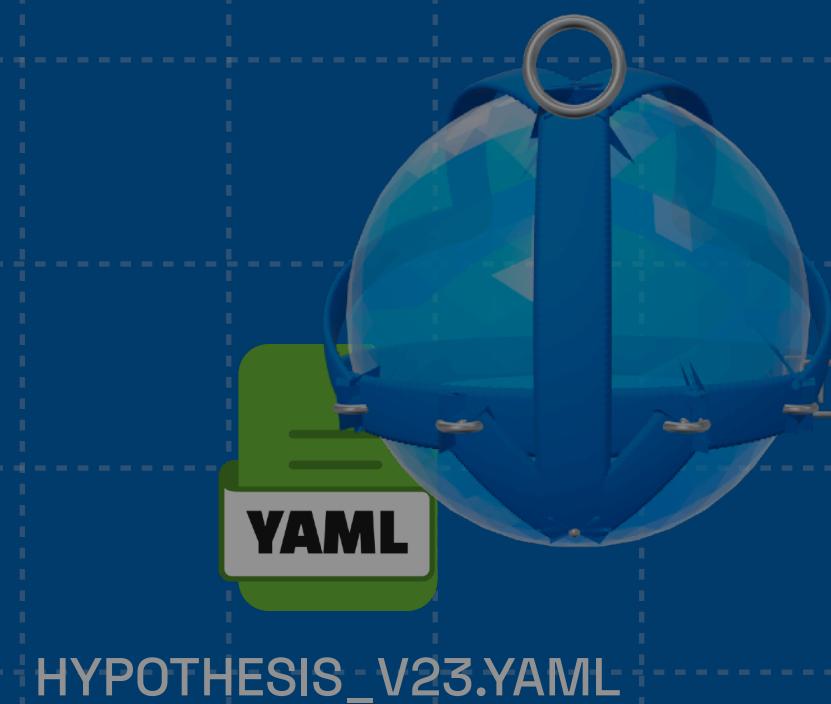


IMPLEMENTATION
AGENT



TEST IMPLEMENTER
AGENT

EXPERIMENT DESIGNER AGENT



```
hidden_tests:
- id: test_01
  input:
    N: 64
    noise_level: 0.01

  expected_property:
    fidelity: ">= 0.95"

- id: test_02
  input:
    N: 128
    noise_level: 0.03

  expected_property:
    scaling: "consistent with hypothesis"

- id: adversarial_01
  input:
    N: 127

  failure_if:
    - crashes
    - violates output constraints
```



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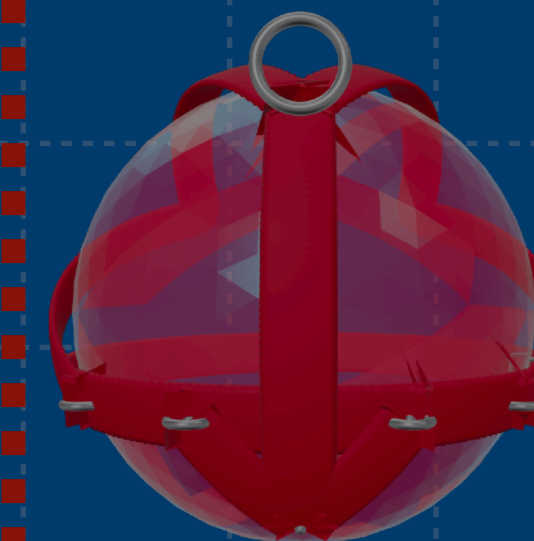


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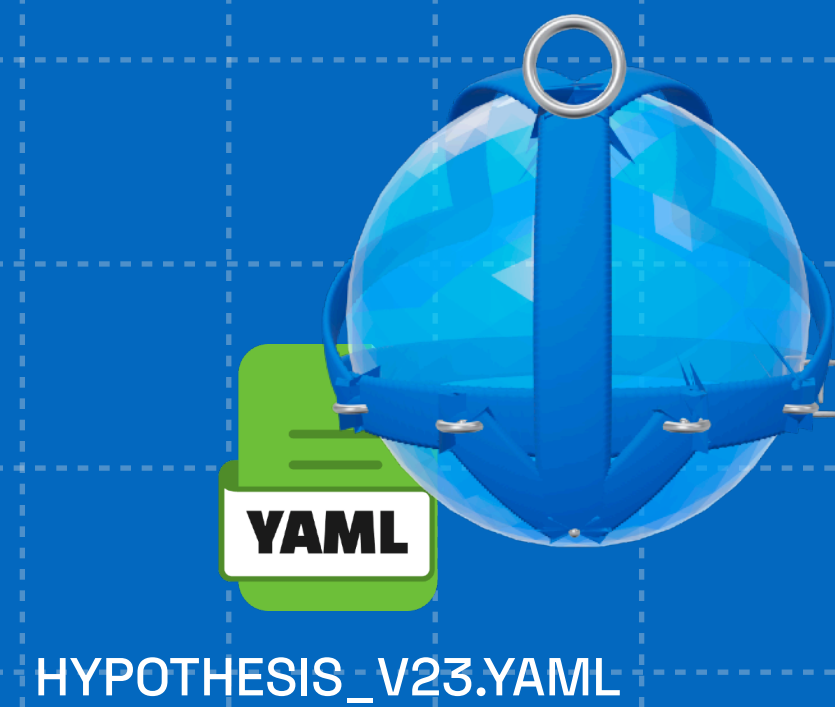


YAML

HIDDEN_TESTS.YAML



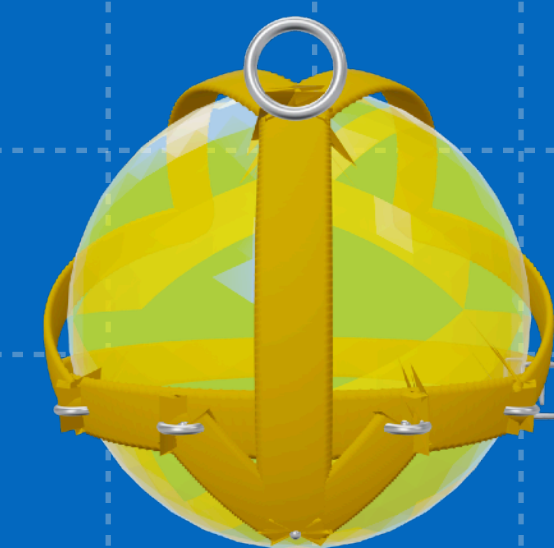
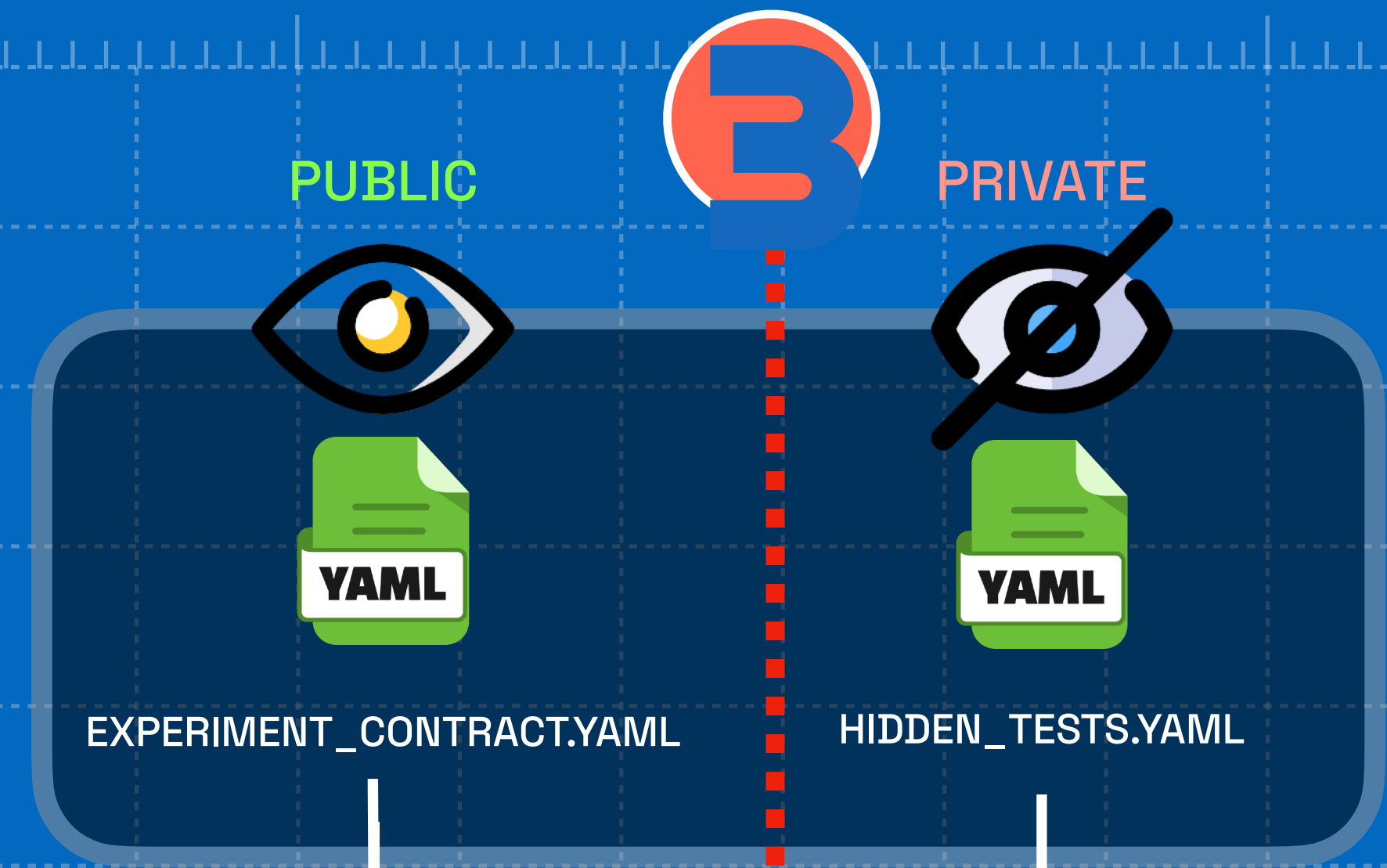
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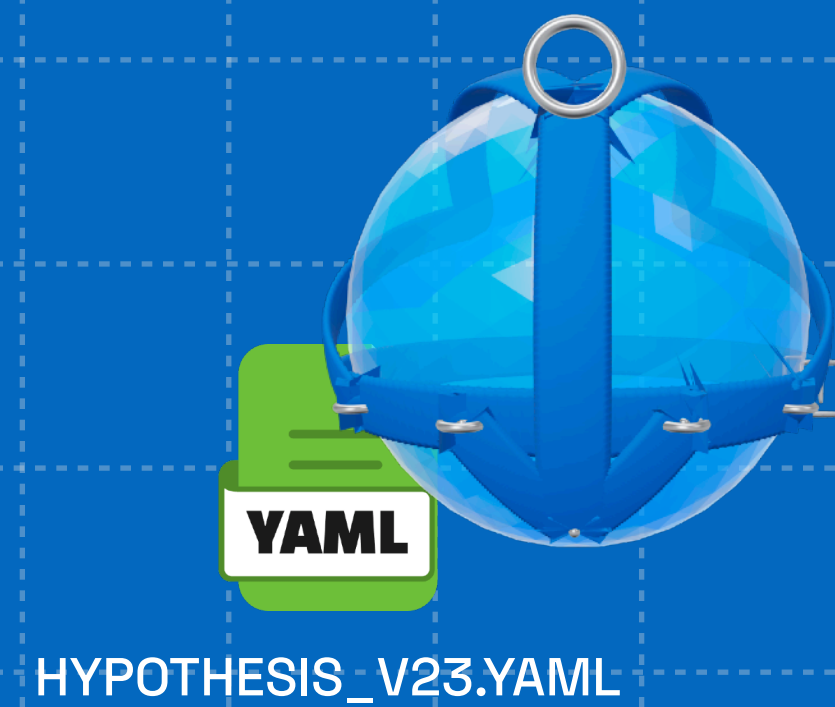


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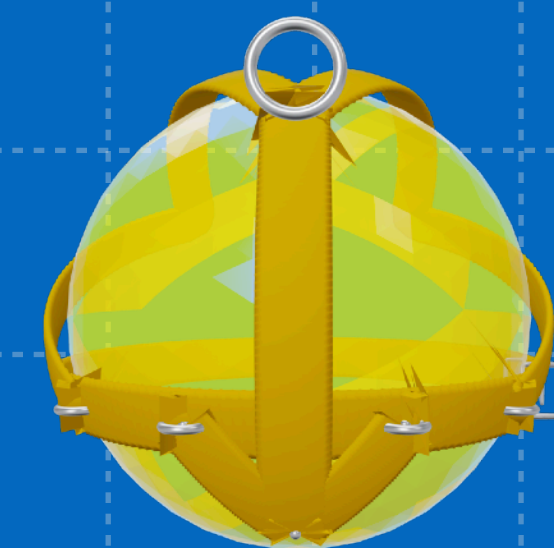
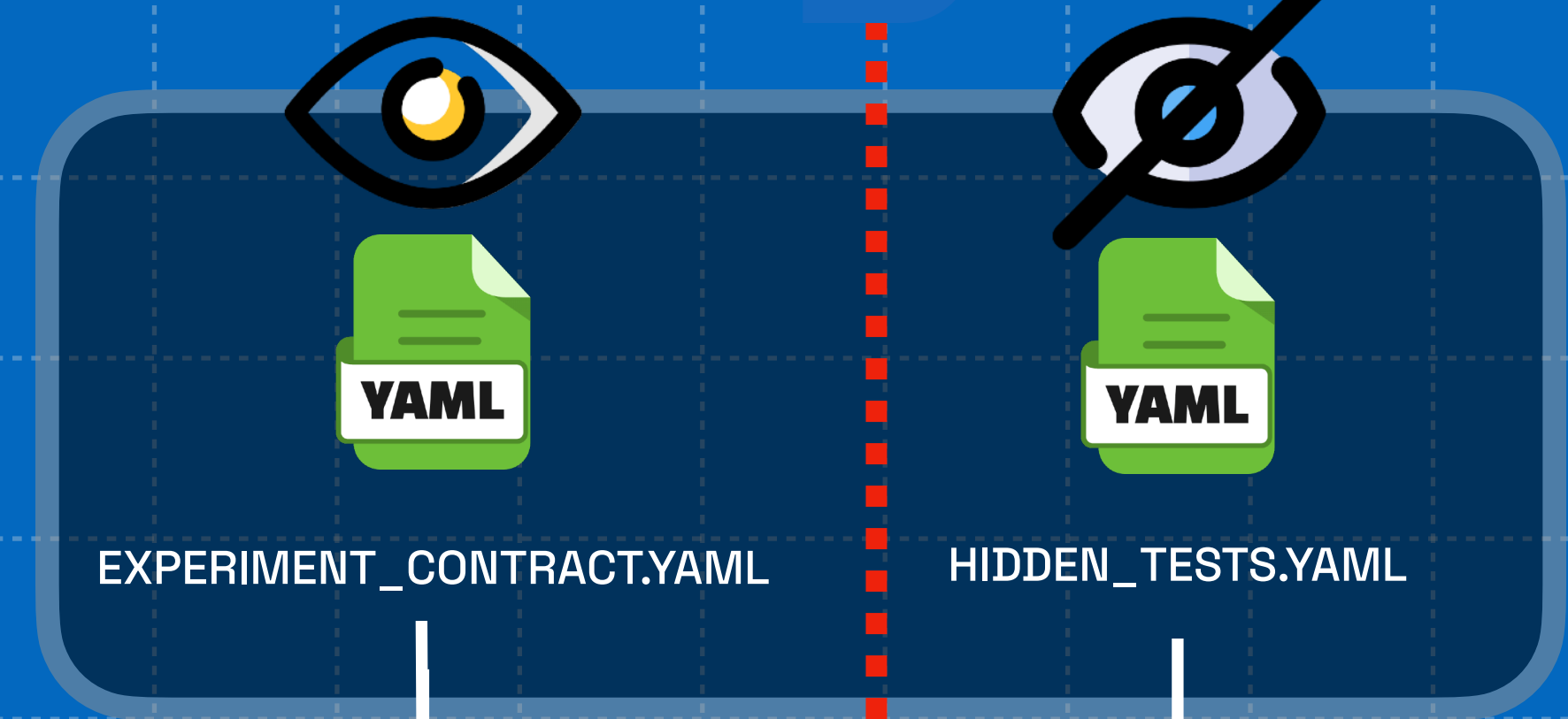
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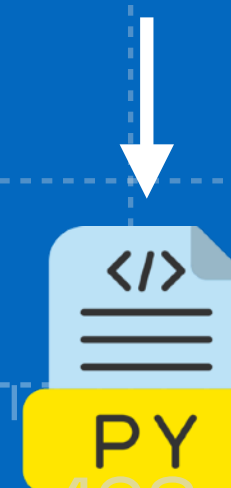
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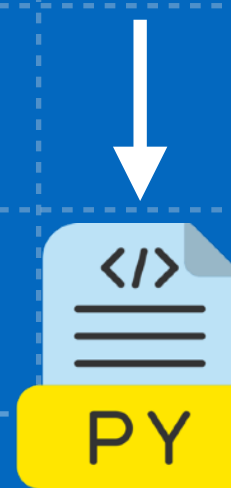
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Failures are routed to the responsible agent through a predefined YAML artifact.

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A pass should produce the evidence needed to justify that the hypothesis survived the experiment under the declared conditions.



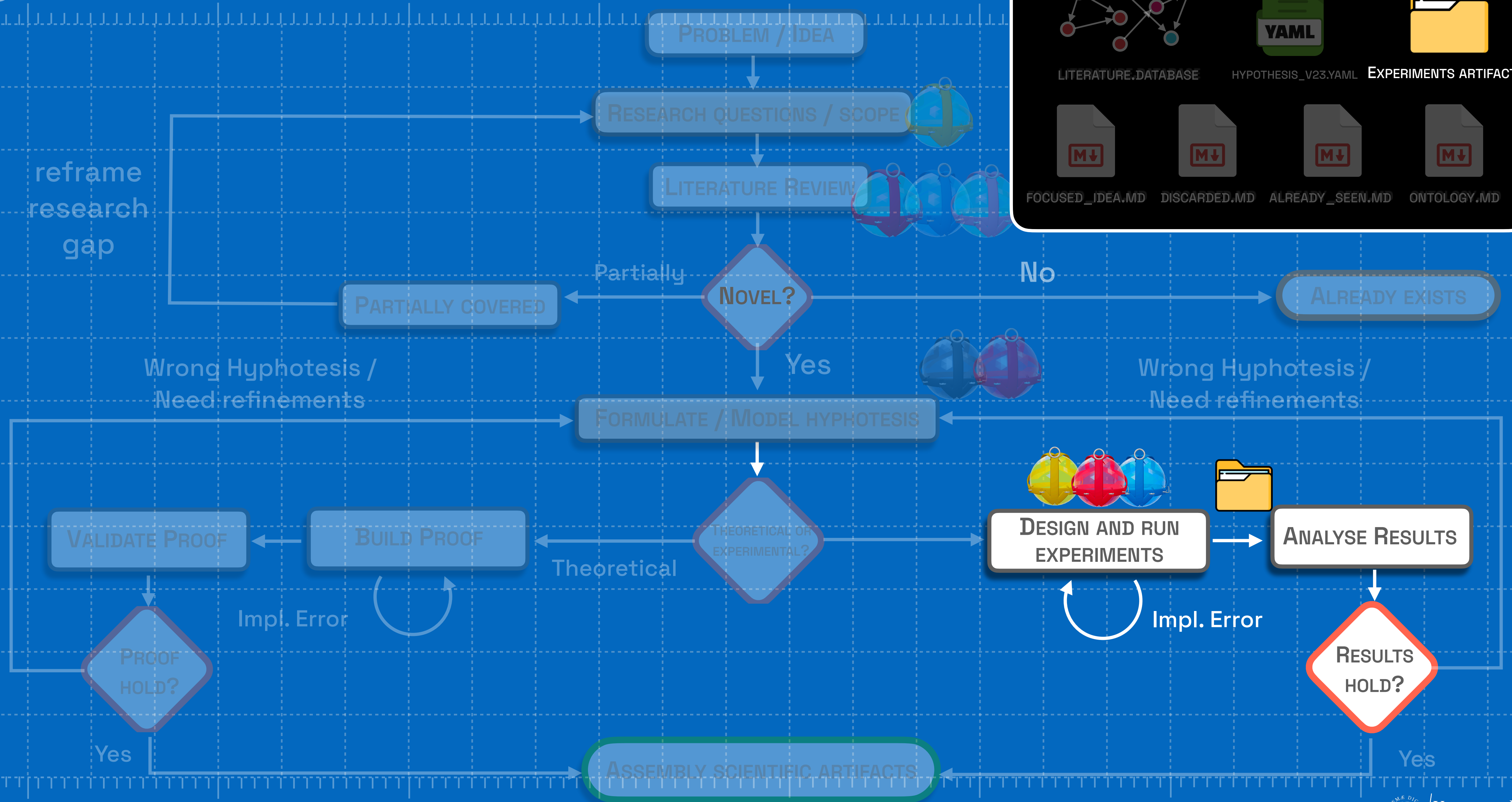
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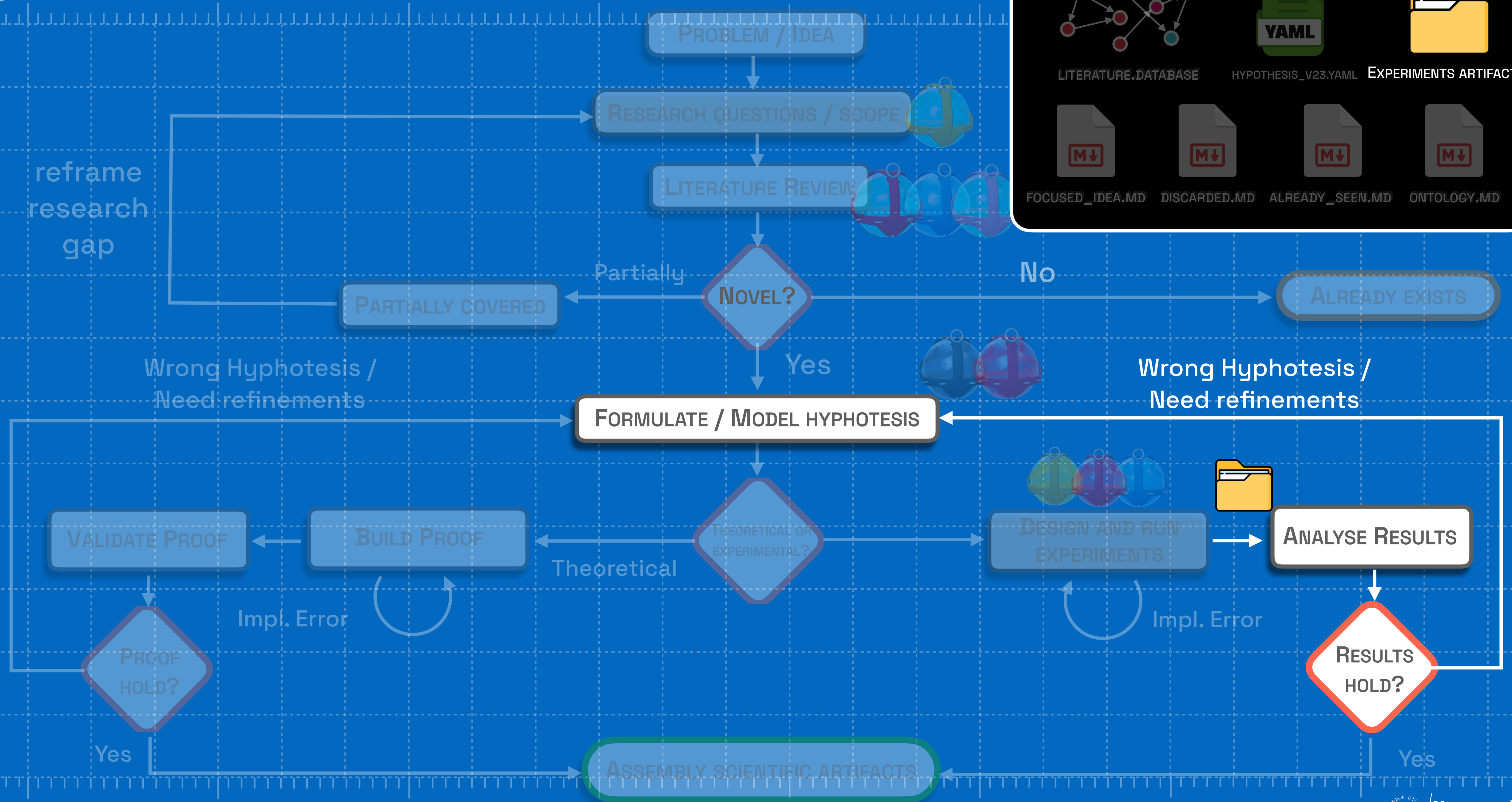
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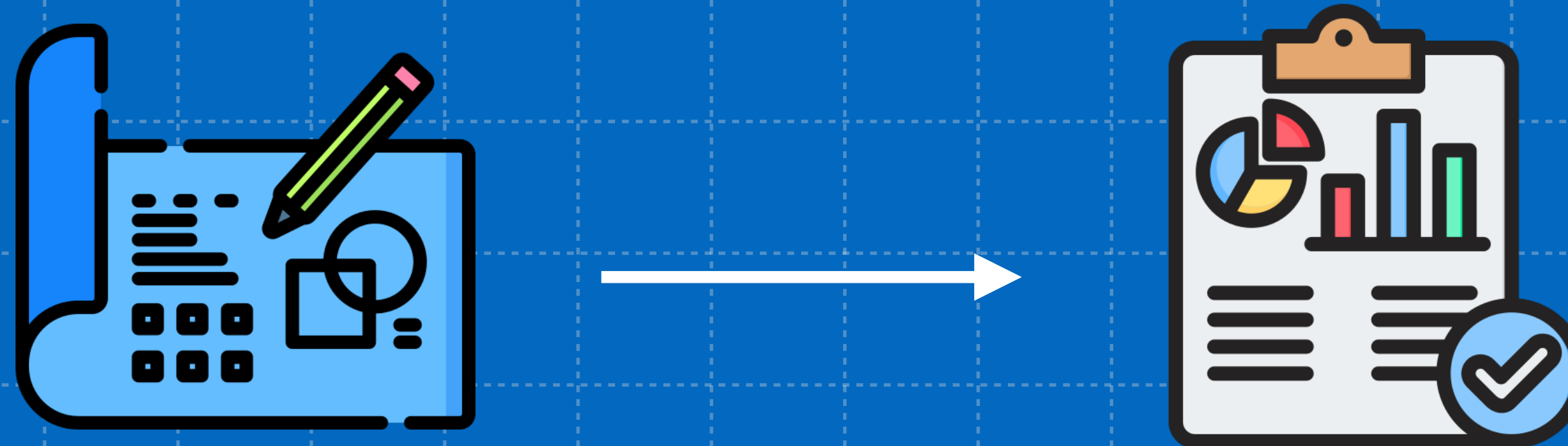
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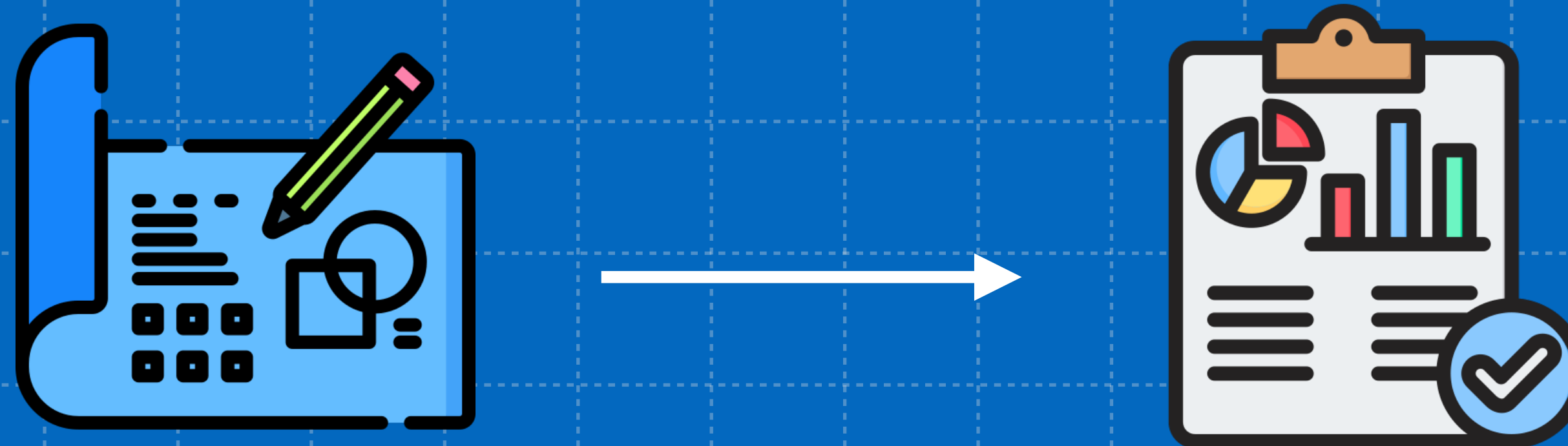
We may have overlooked some steps, and you may have identified cases that we have not yet taken into consideration.

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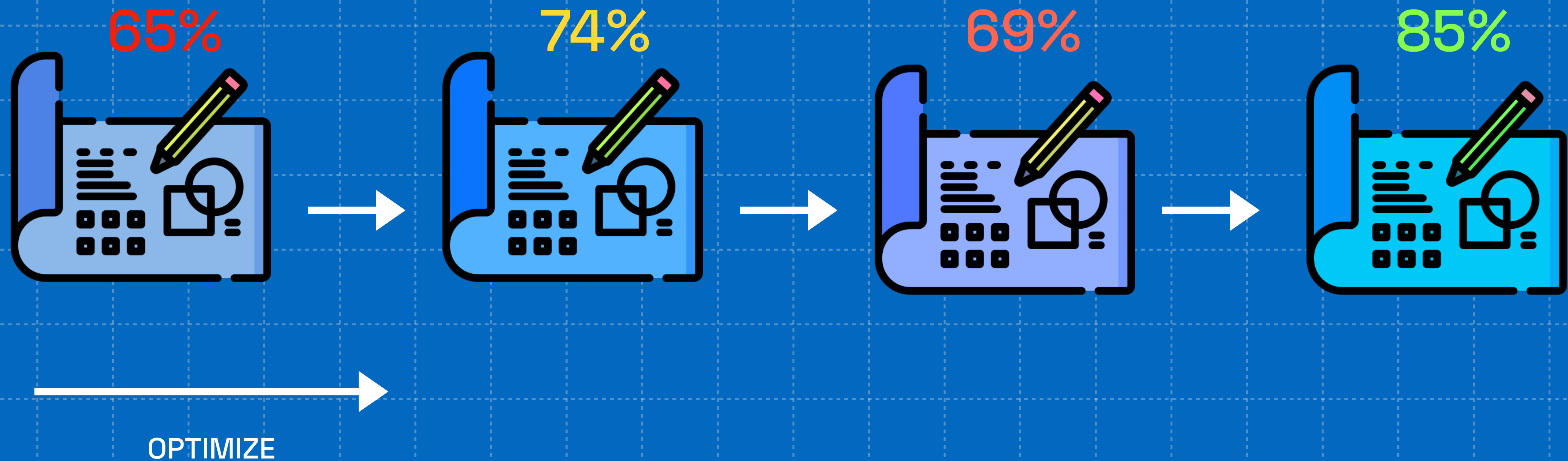
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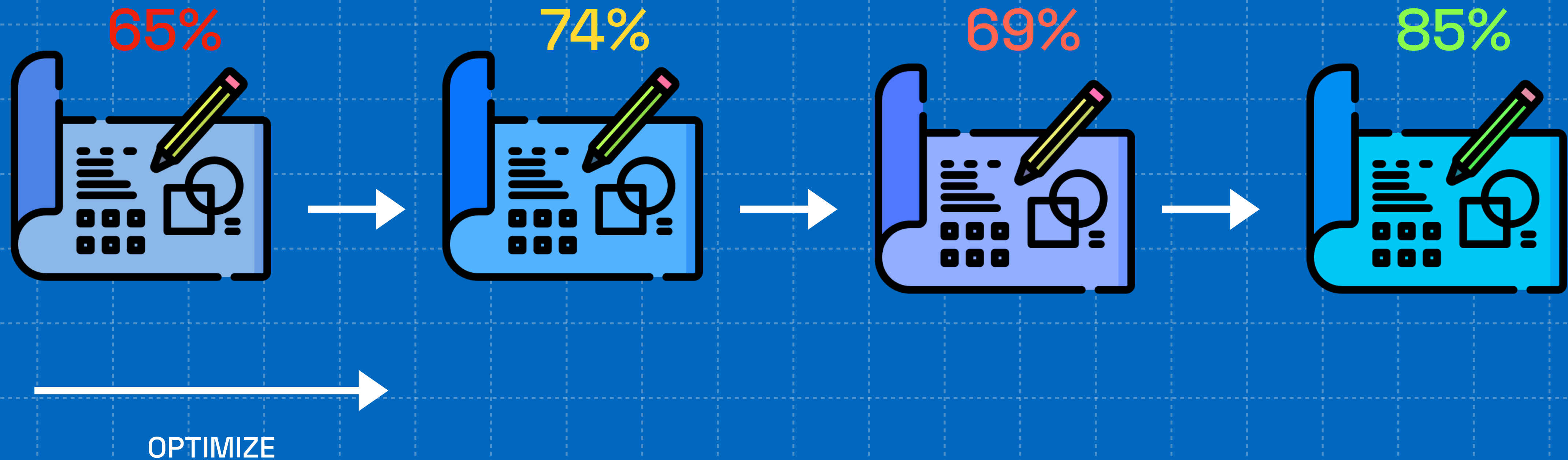
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- **ARTIFACT CONTRACTS:** schemas, fields, versions, read/write permissions.
- **CONTROL LOGIC:** gates, acceptance criteria, loop limits, stopping criteria, routing.
- **EXECUTION CONFIGURATION:** harness, environment, libraries, hardware, seeds, timeouts.
- **SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION:** datasets, parameter ranges, metrics, statistics, thresholds.
- **OBSERVABILITY & PROVENANCE:** logs, intermediate artifacts, decision traces, version history, provenance

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This is the kind of abstractions we look for these days

THANKS



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