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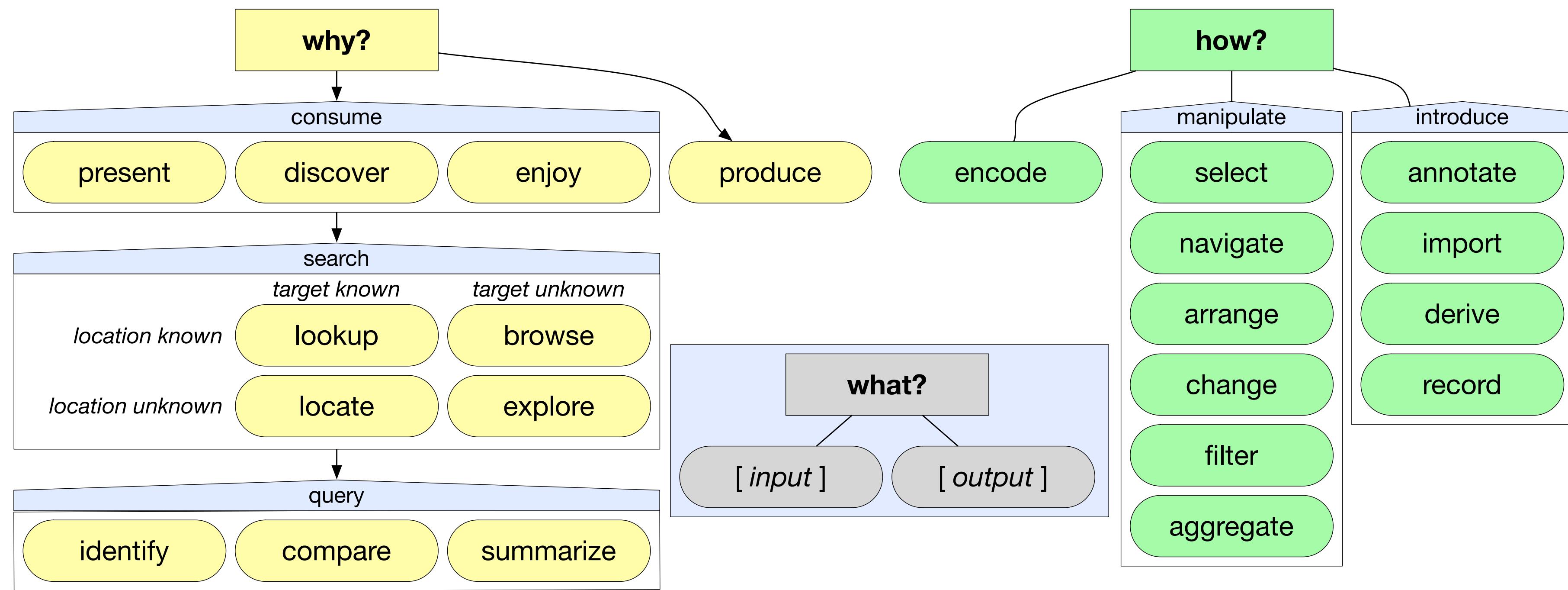


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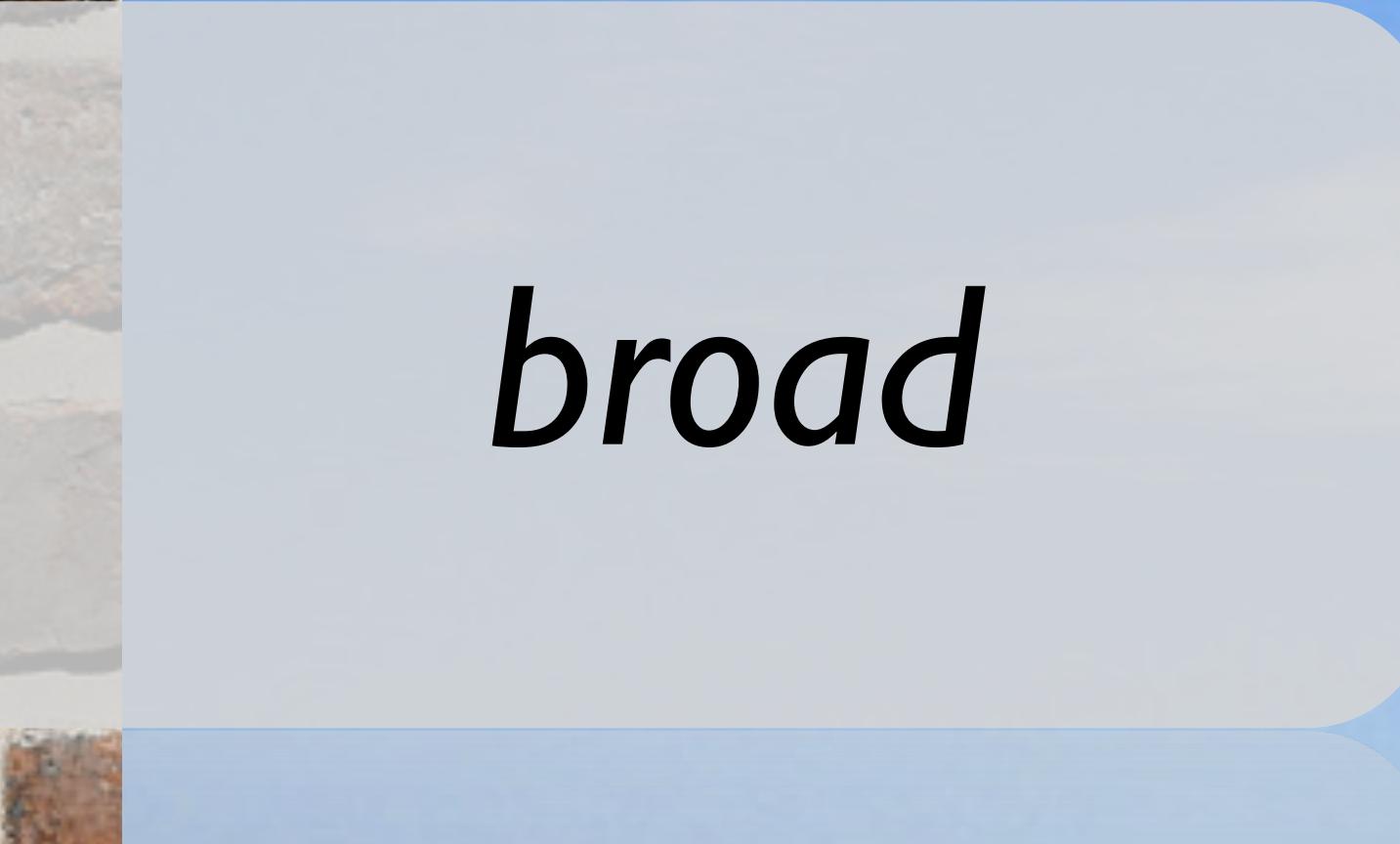
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Visual notation for describing **sequences** of **tasks**
→ clarify **means** and **ends**



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- **evaluate** for both

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en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Brick_wall_close-up_view.jpg

- **describe** for textbook analysis framework

broad



“What does the visualization community know about tasks?”

commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Barley_crop_-blue_sky-4May2008.jpg

Previous Work

*Classifying
Tasks, Goals,
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interaction & visual encoding **techniques**

low level of abstraction
e.g. “retrieve value”

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Classifying Tasks, Goals, Intentions, Objectives, Activities, Interactions

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- Amar, Eagan, & Stasko (2005)
 - Andrienko & Andrienko (2006)
 - Buja et al. (1996)
 - Casner (1991)
 - Chi & Riedl (1998)
 - Chuah & Roth (1996)
 - Dix & Ellis (1998)
 - Gotz & Zhou (2008)
 - Keim (2002)
 - Lee et al. (2006)
 - Raskin (1990)
 - Roth & Mattis (1990)
 - Shneiderman (1996)
 - Tweedie (1997)
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 - Wehrend & Lewis (1990)
 - Yi, Stasko, et al. (2007)
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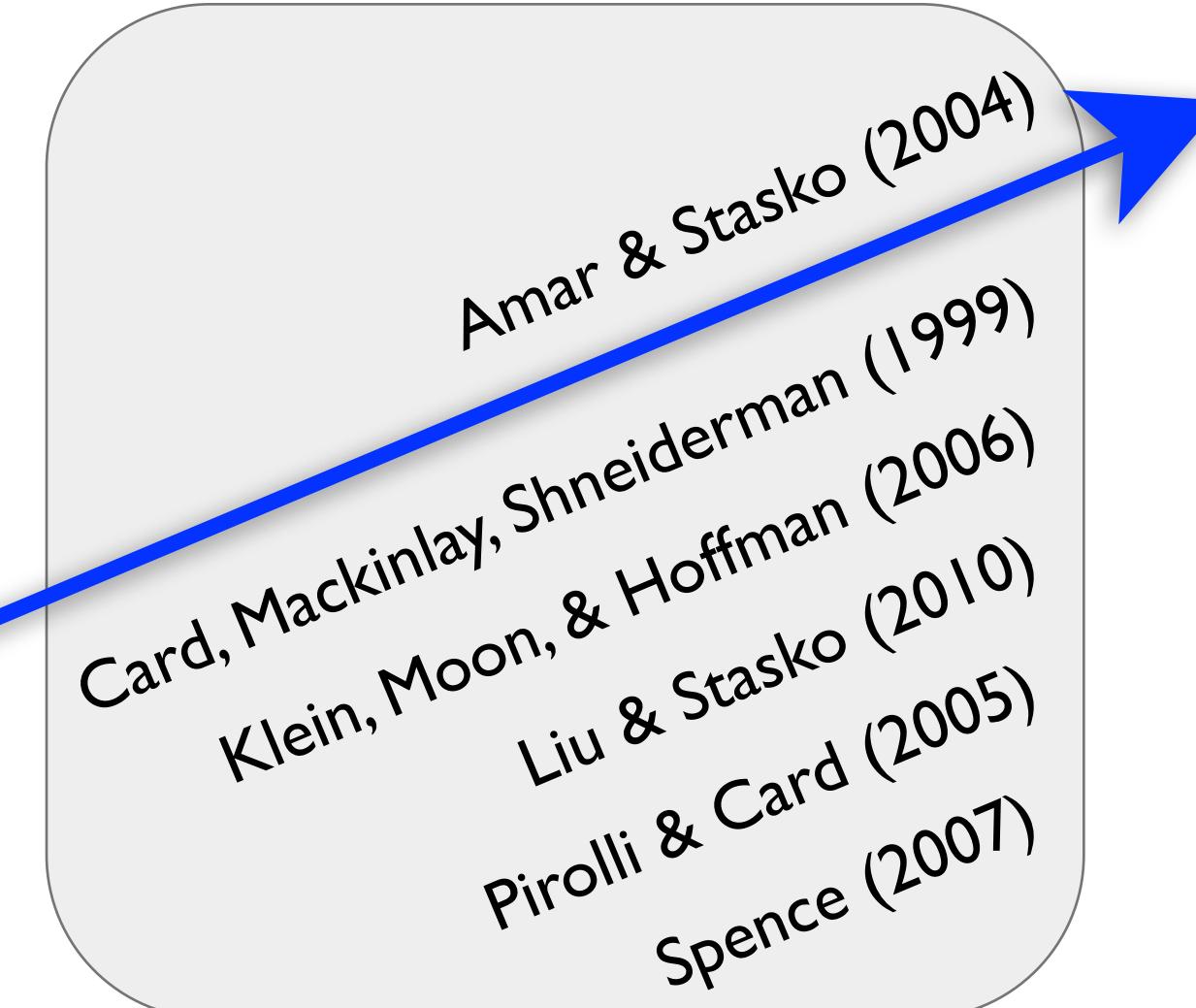
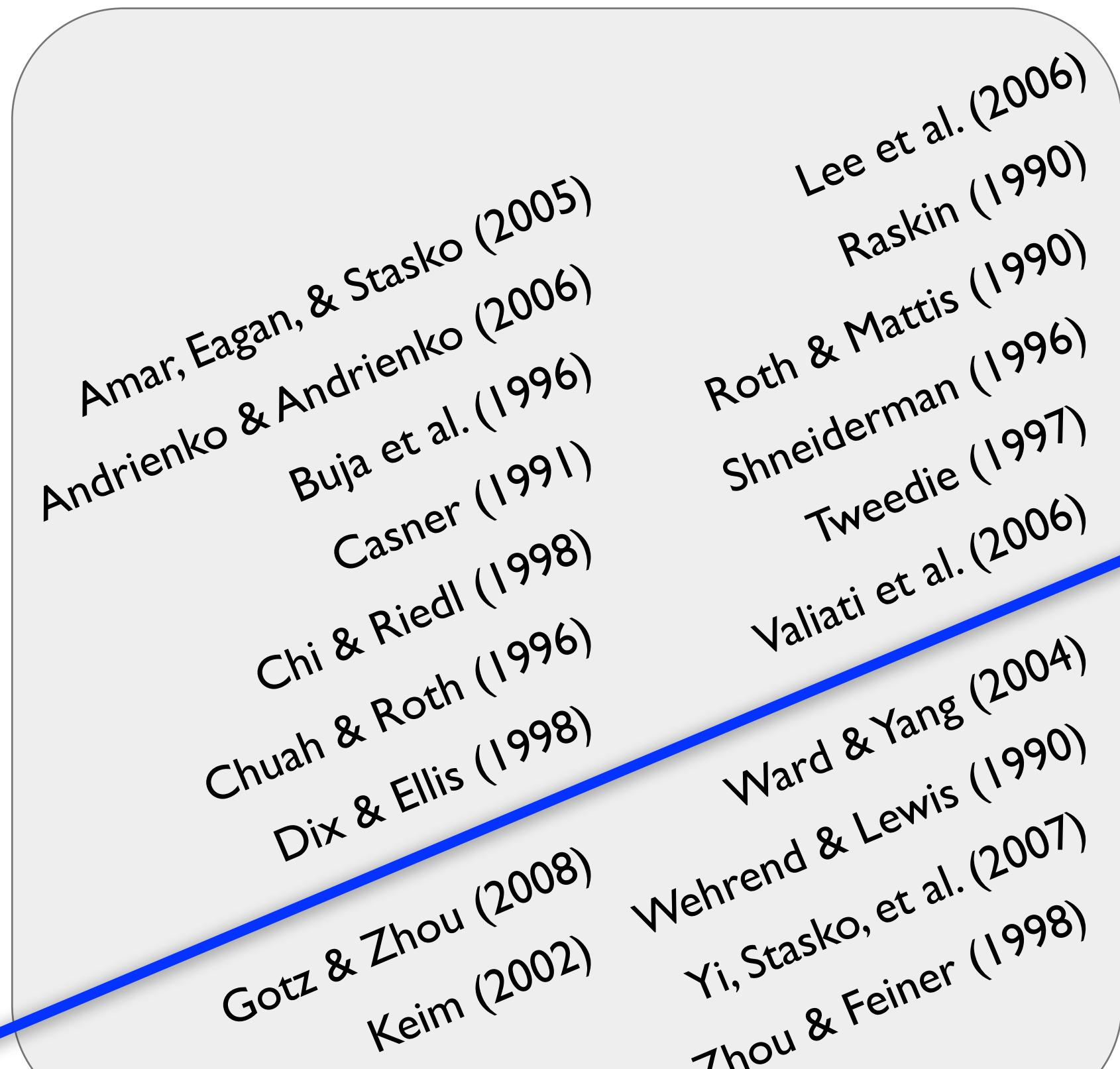
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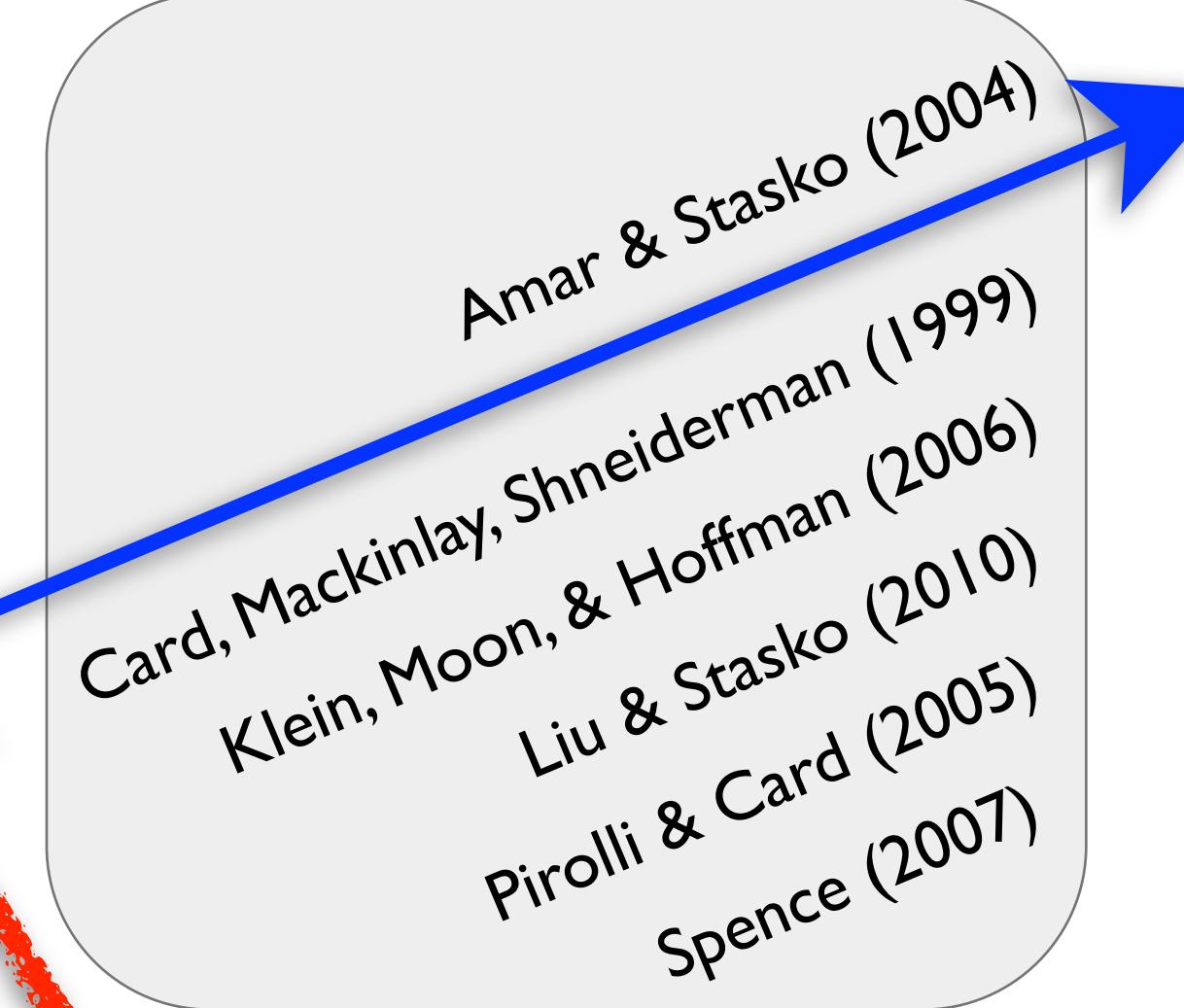
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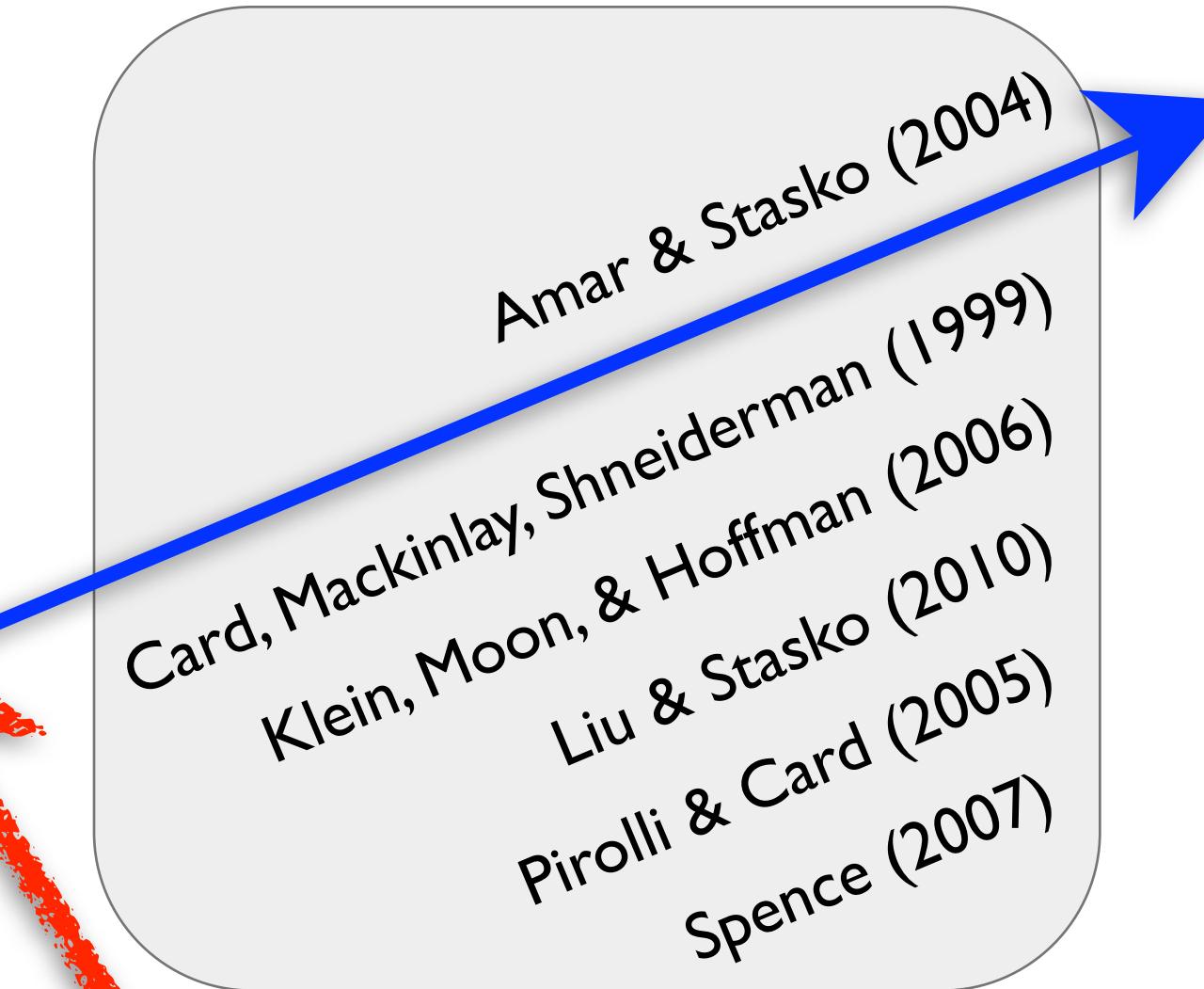
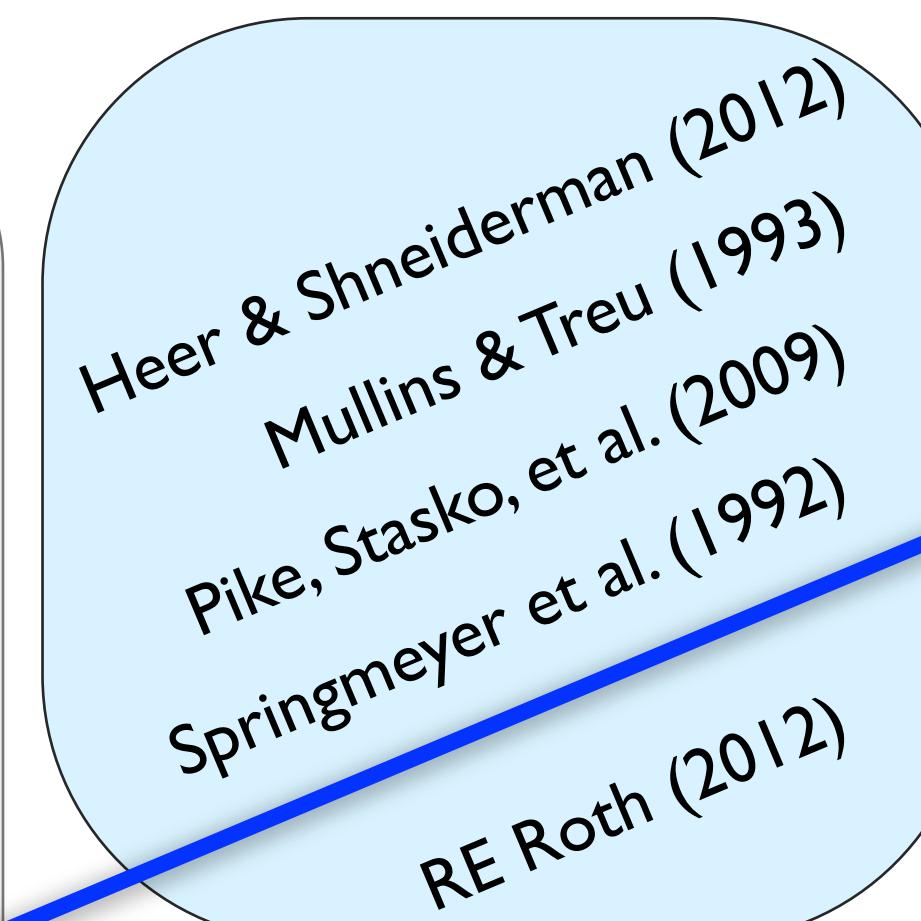
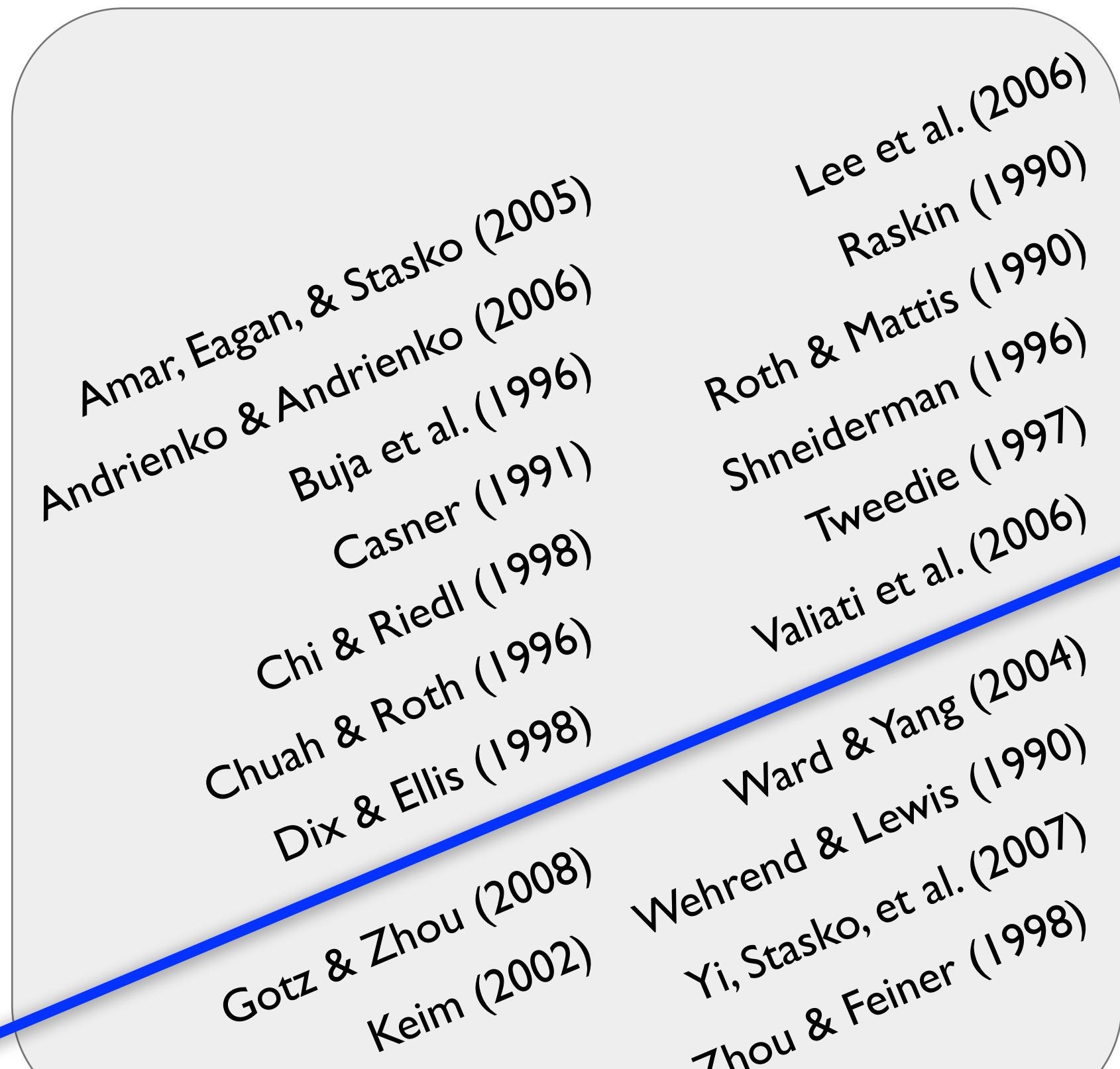
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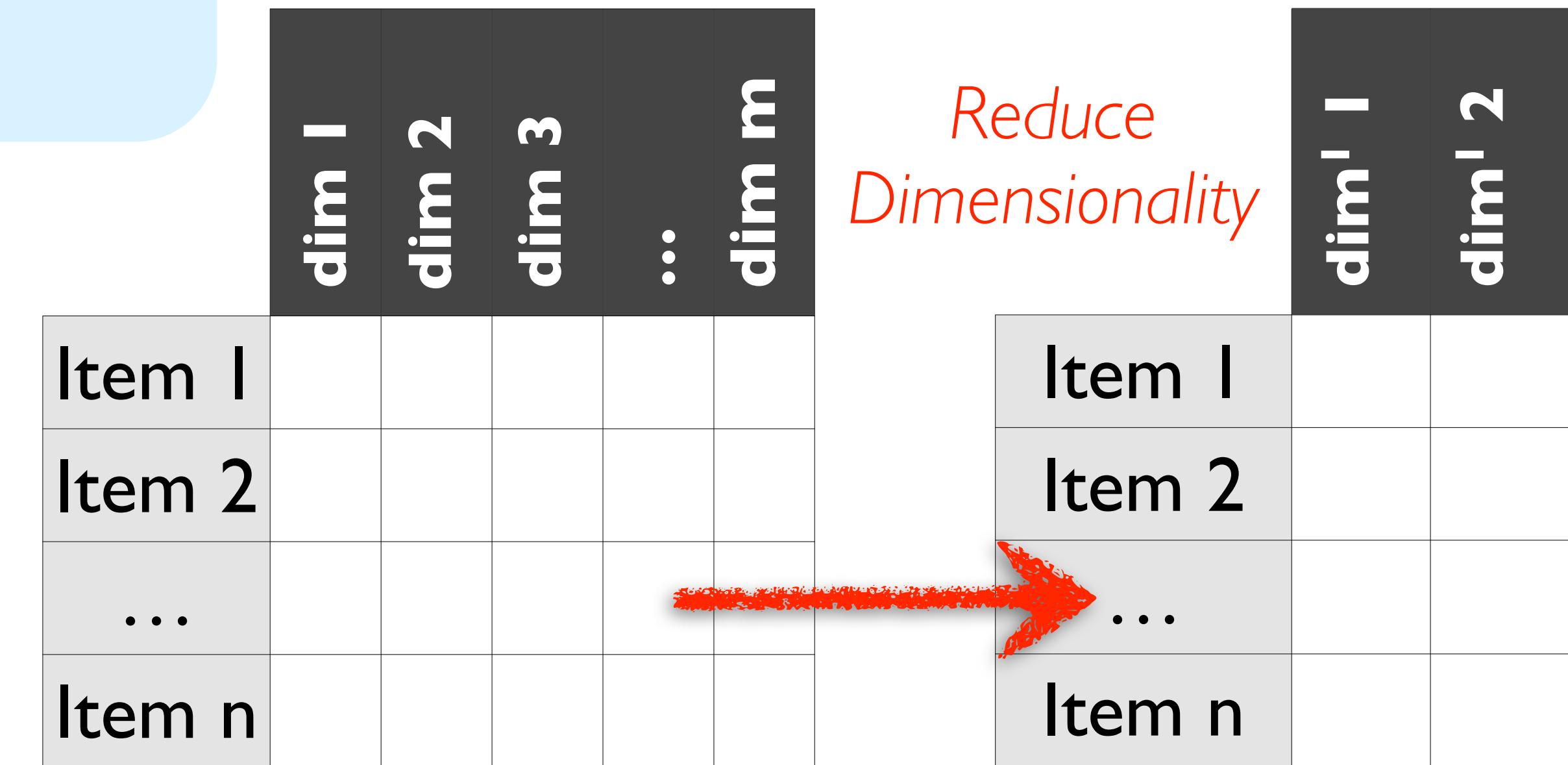
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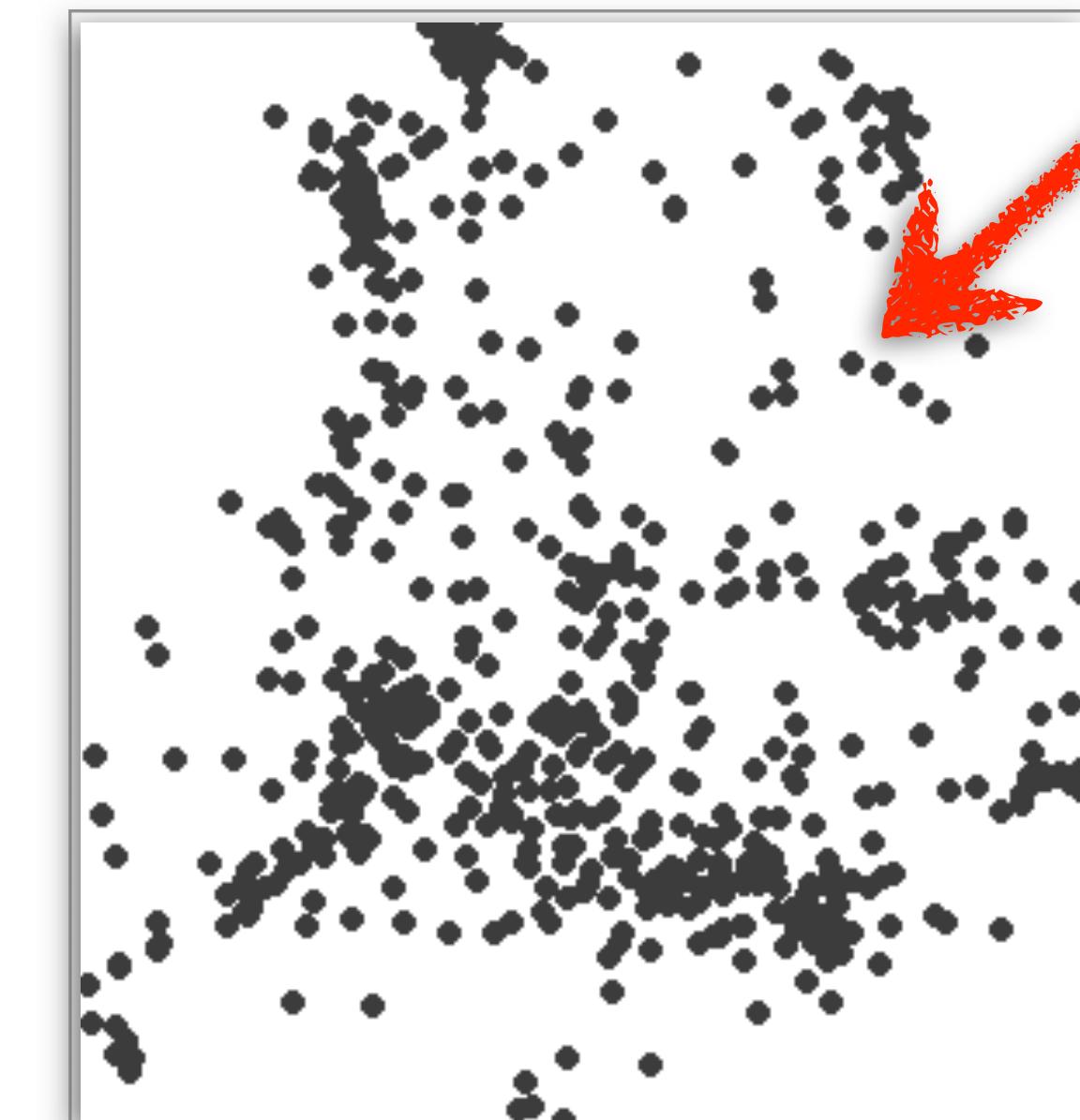
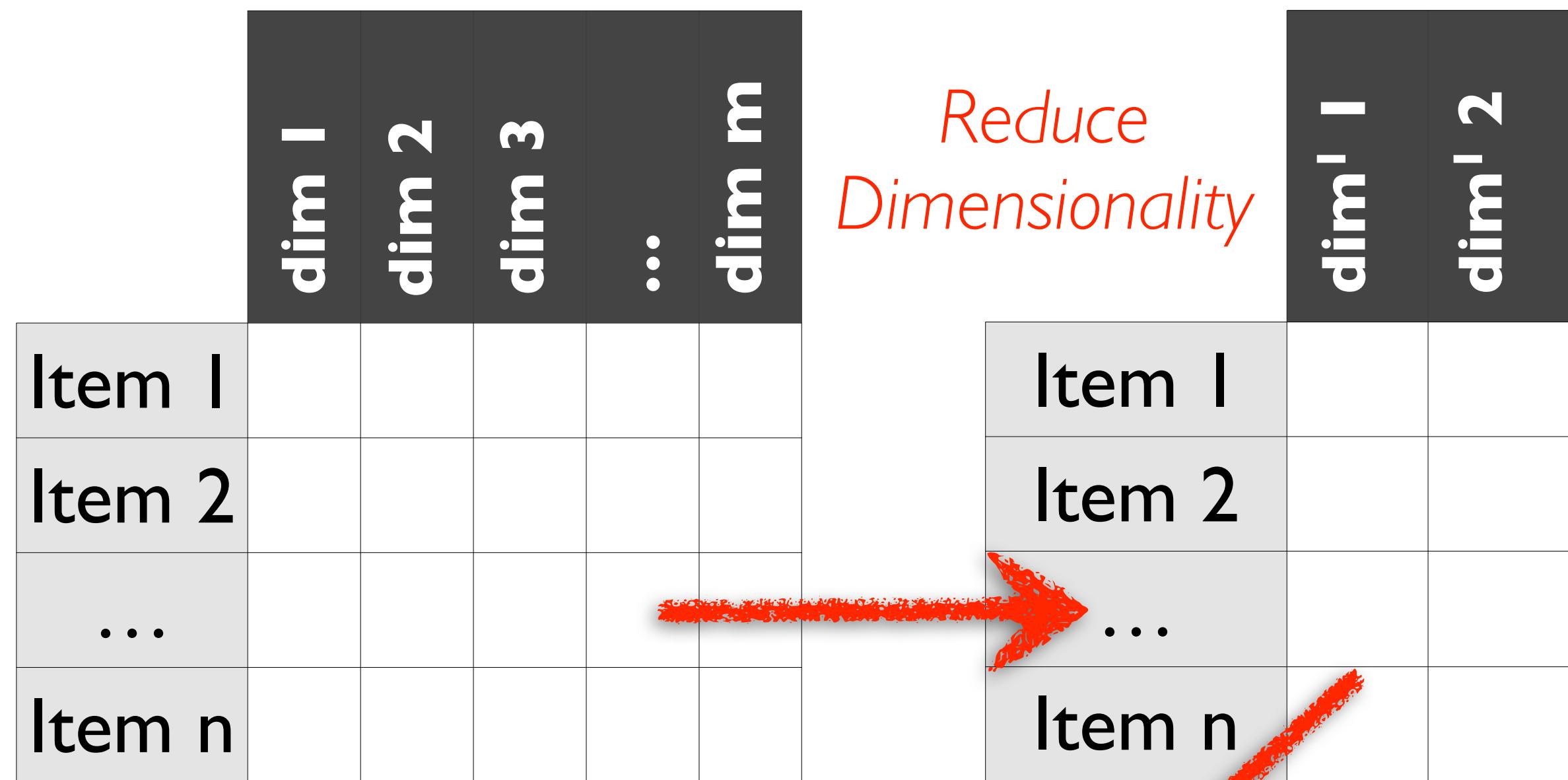
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Derive as **Means**

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NAVIGATE

AGGREGATE

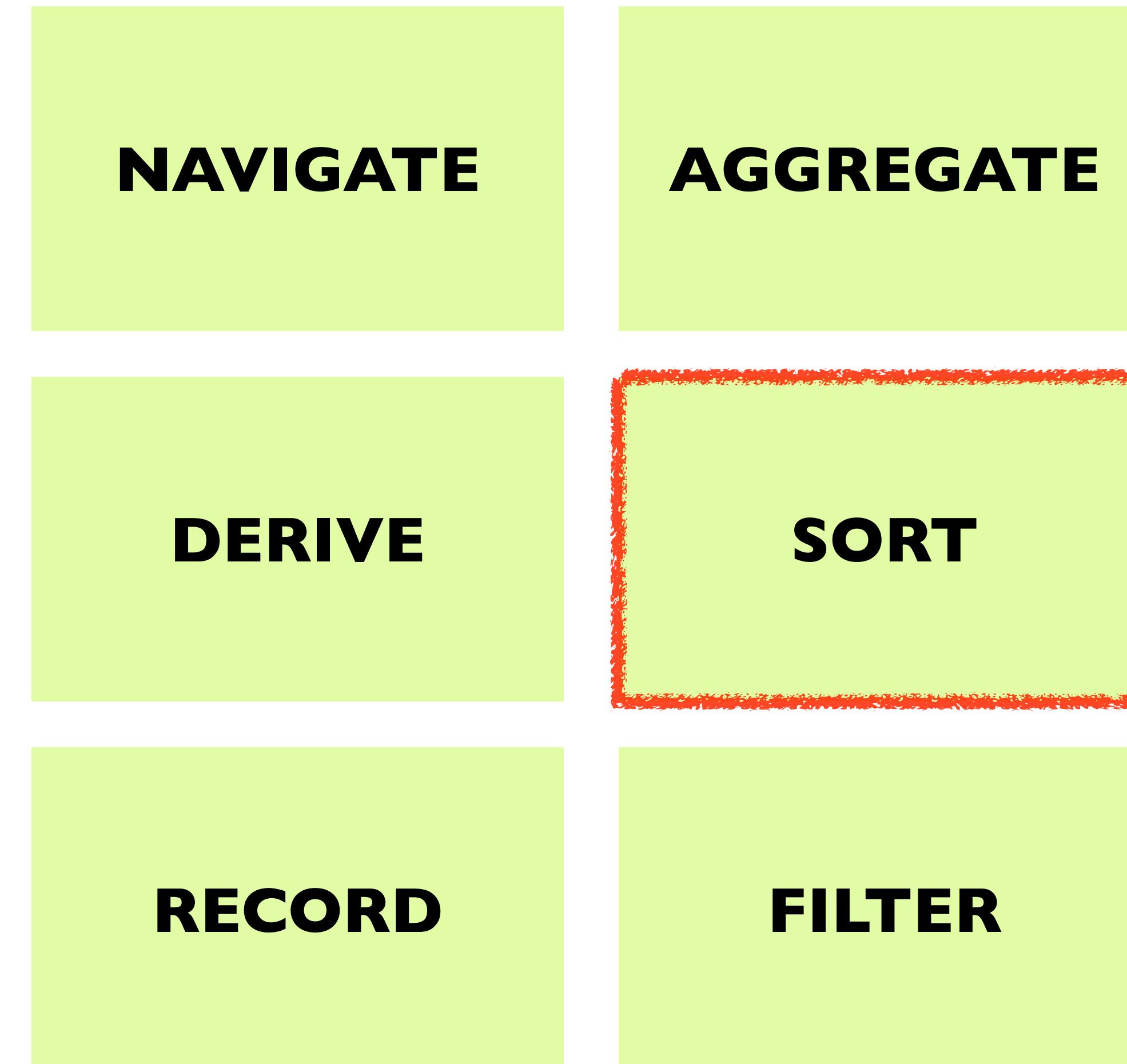
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SORT

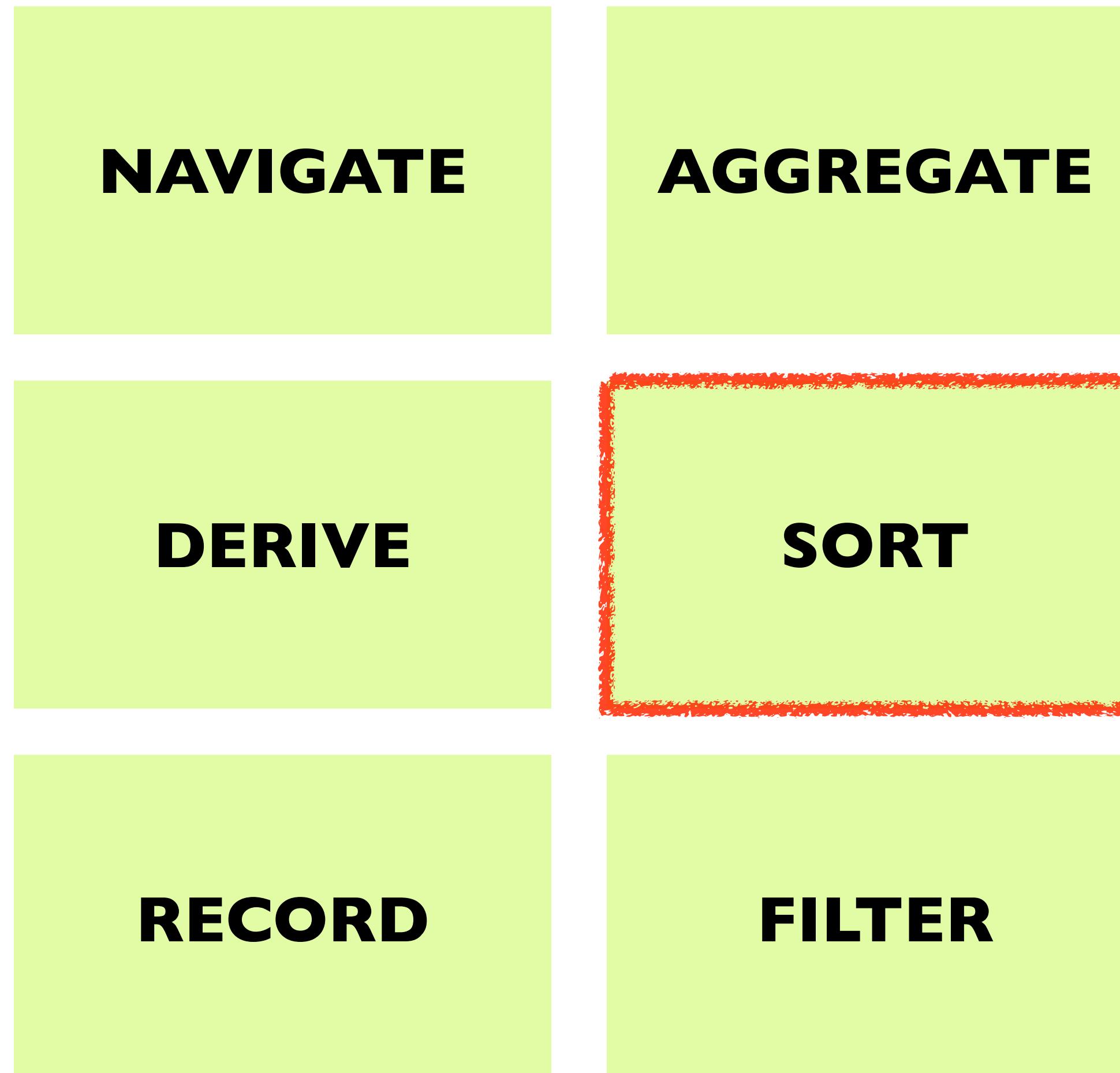
RECORD

FILTER

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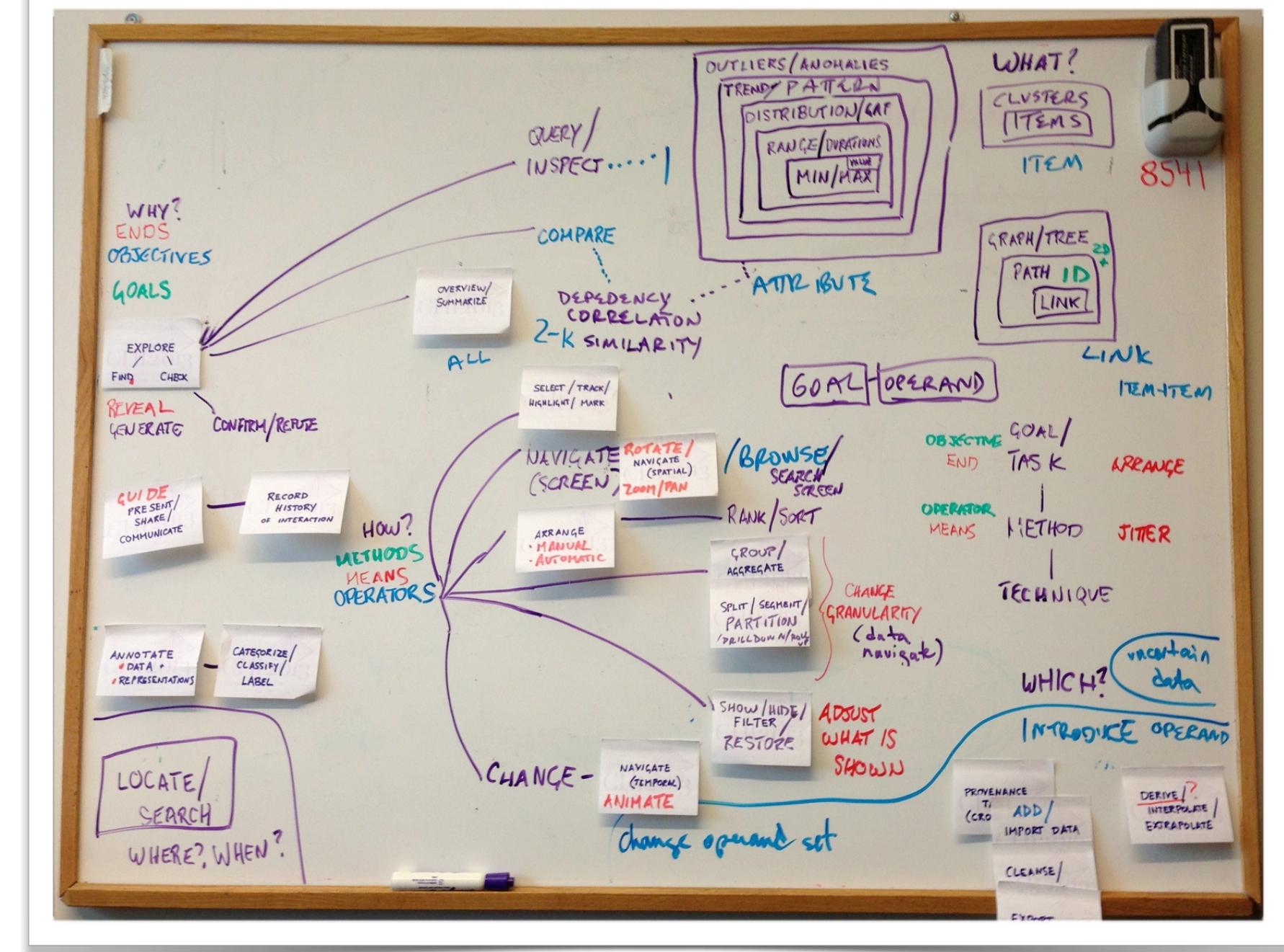
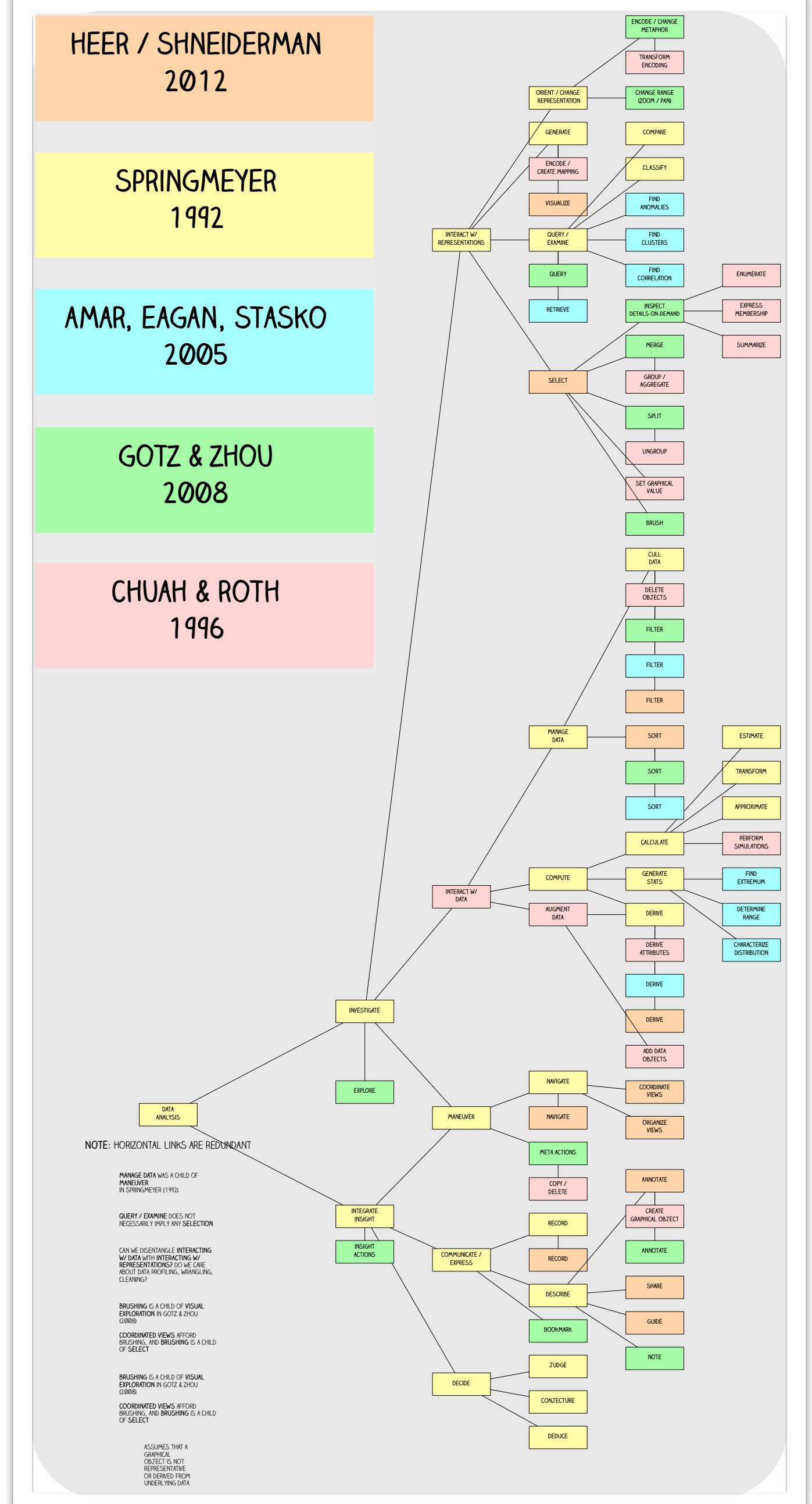


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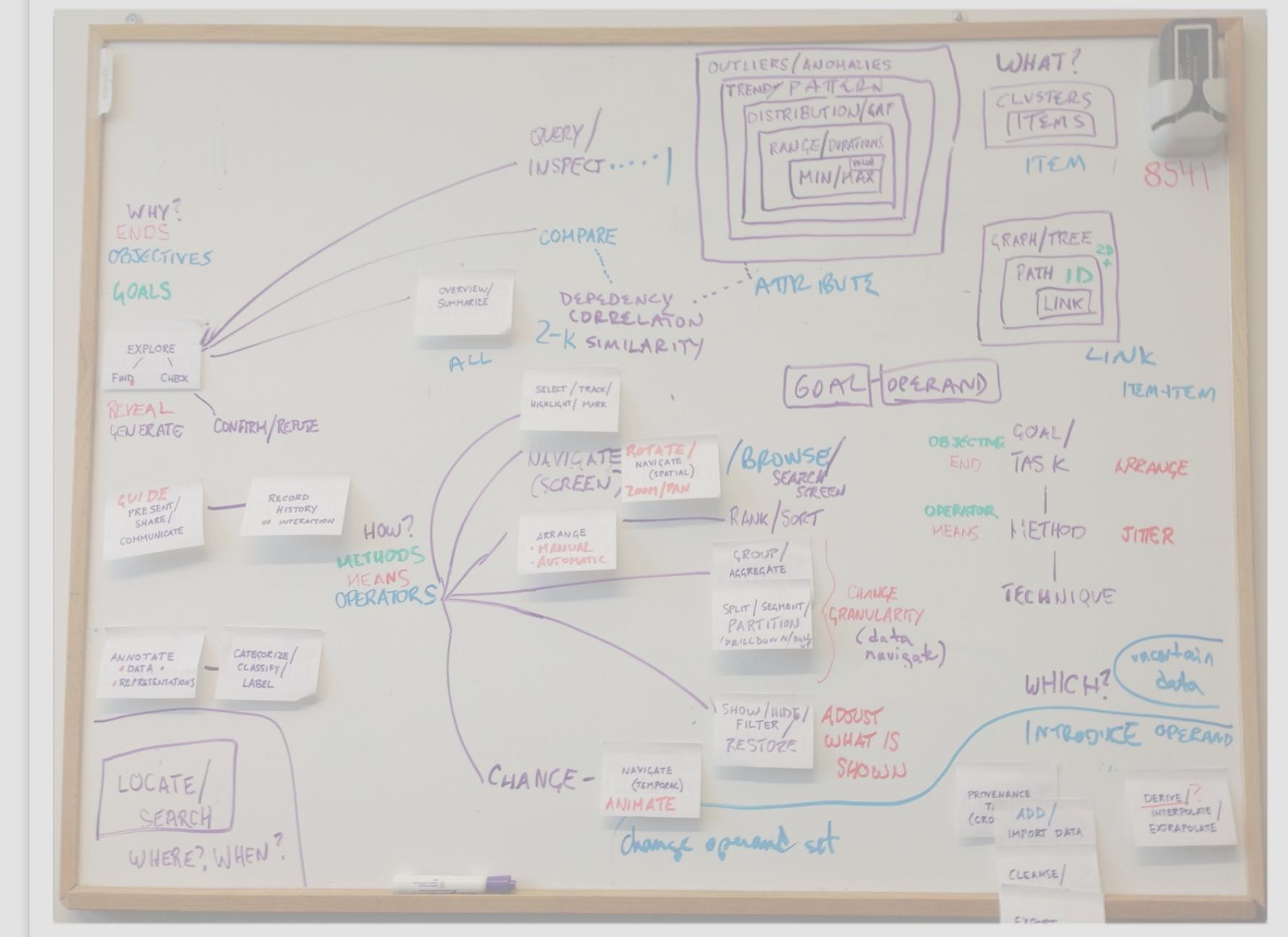
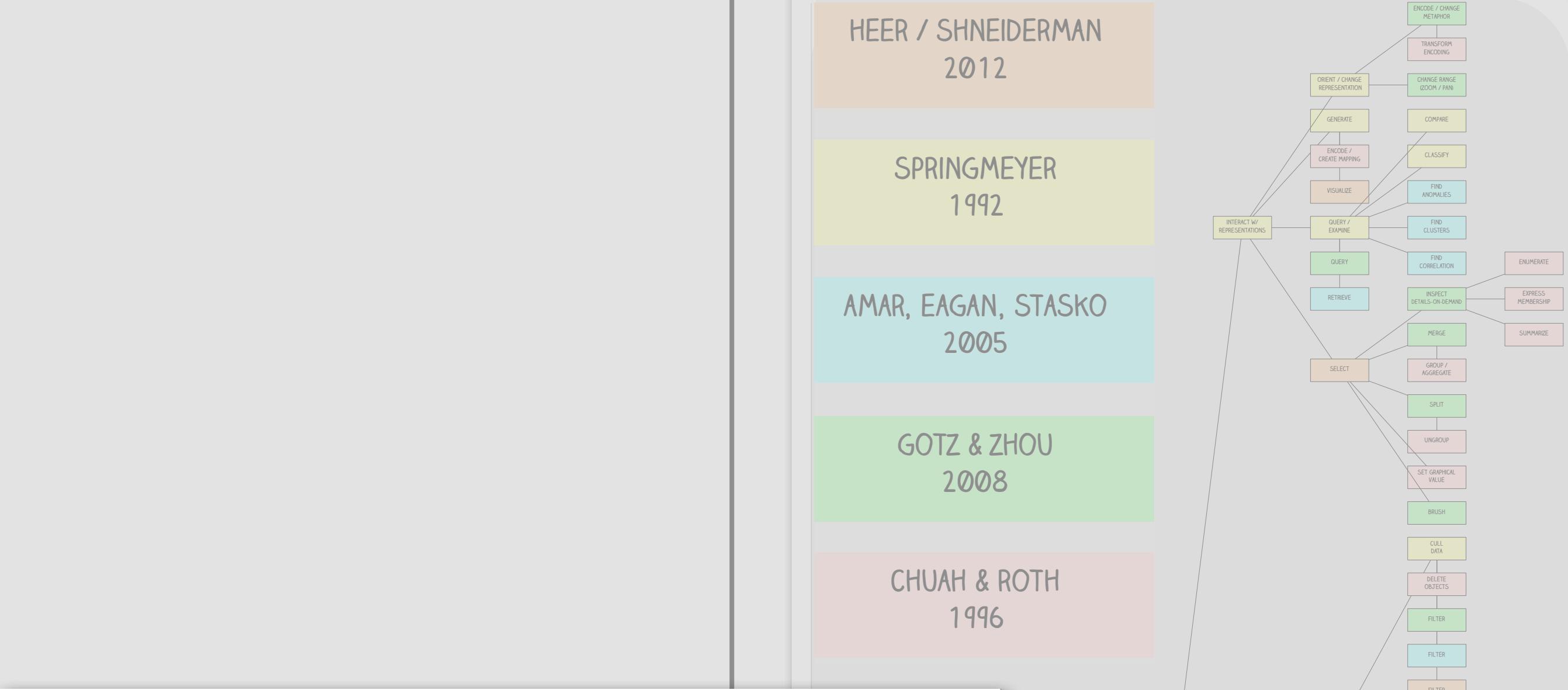
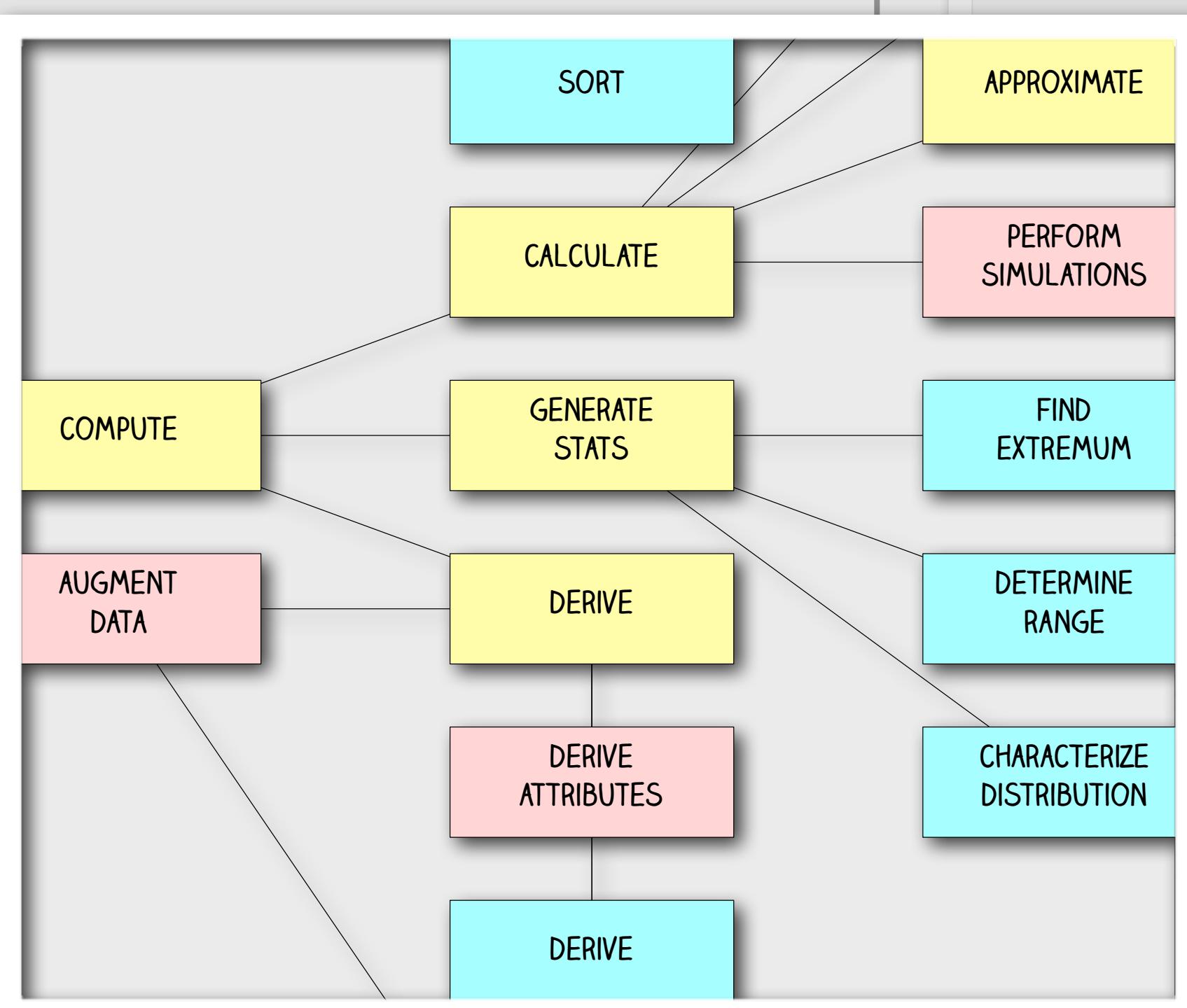
Inputs and
Outputs

Our Method



1. read and think
 2. code: arrange and abstract
 3. simplify and repeat...

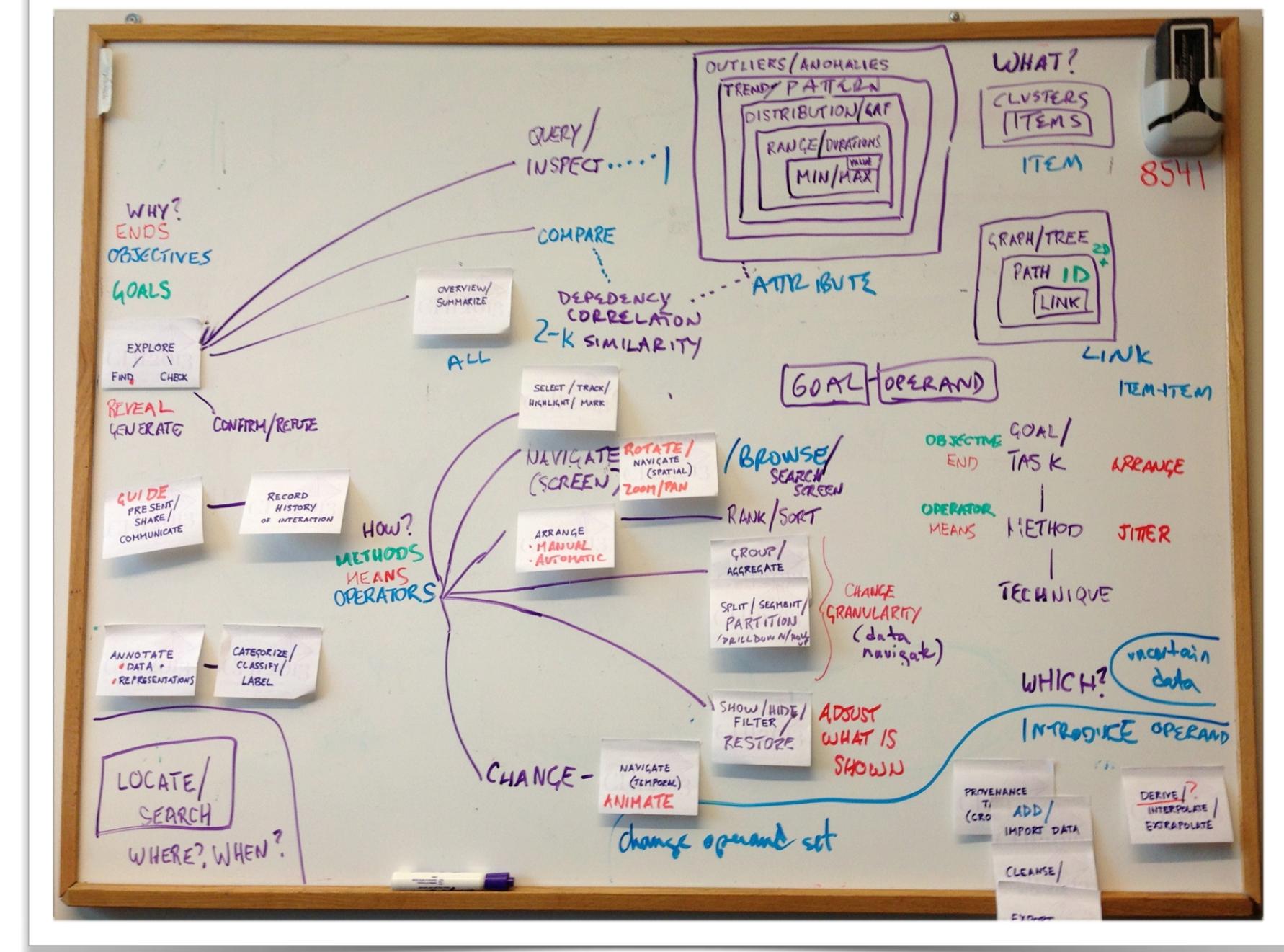
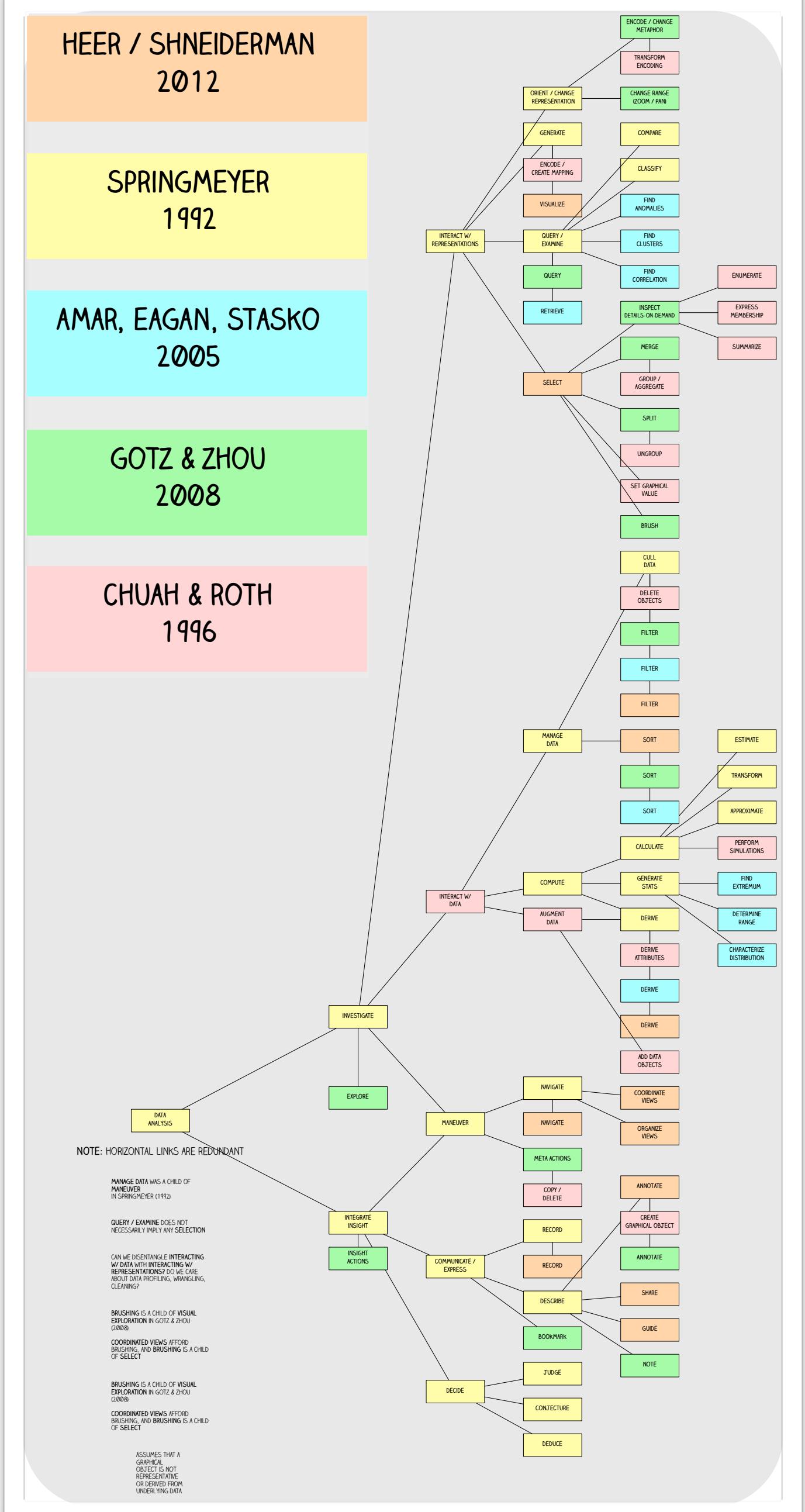
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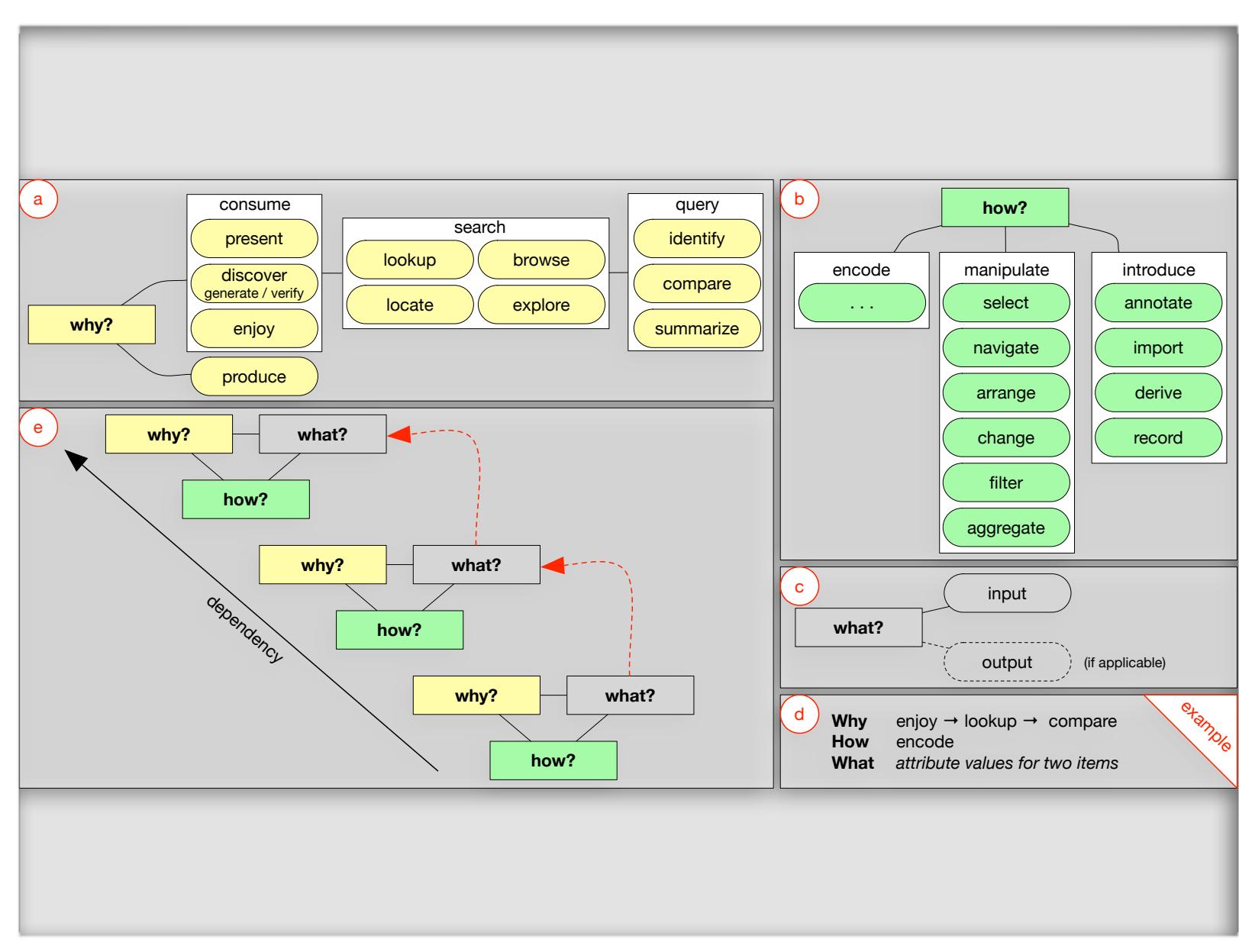
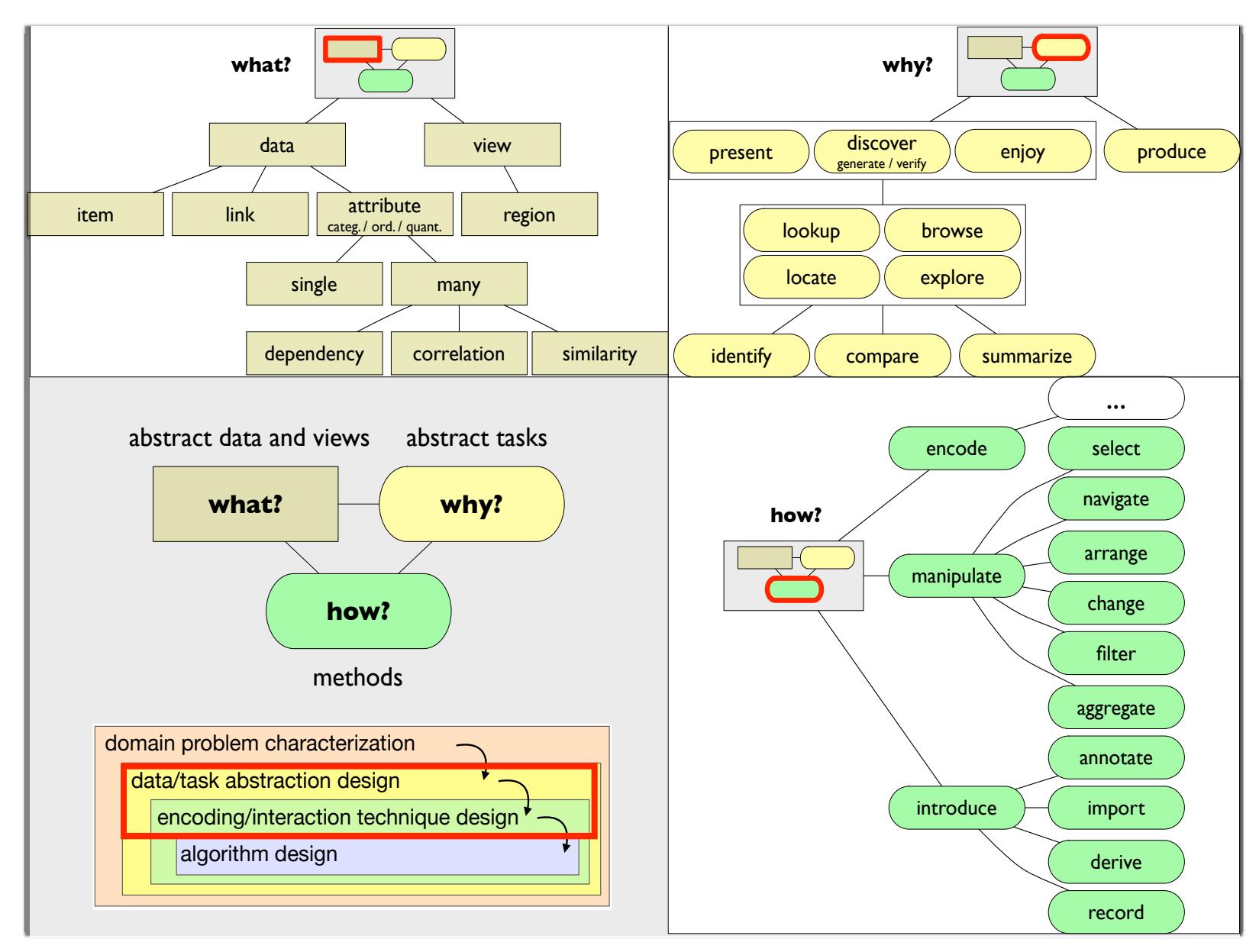
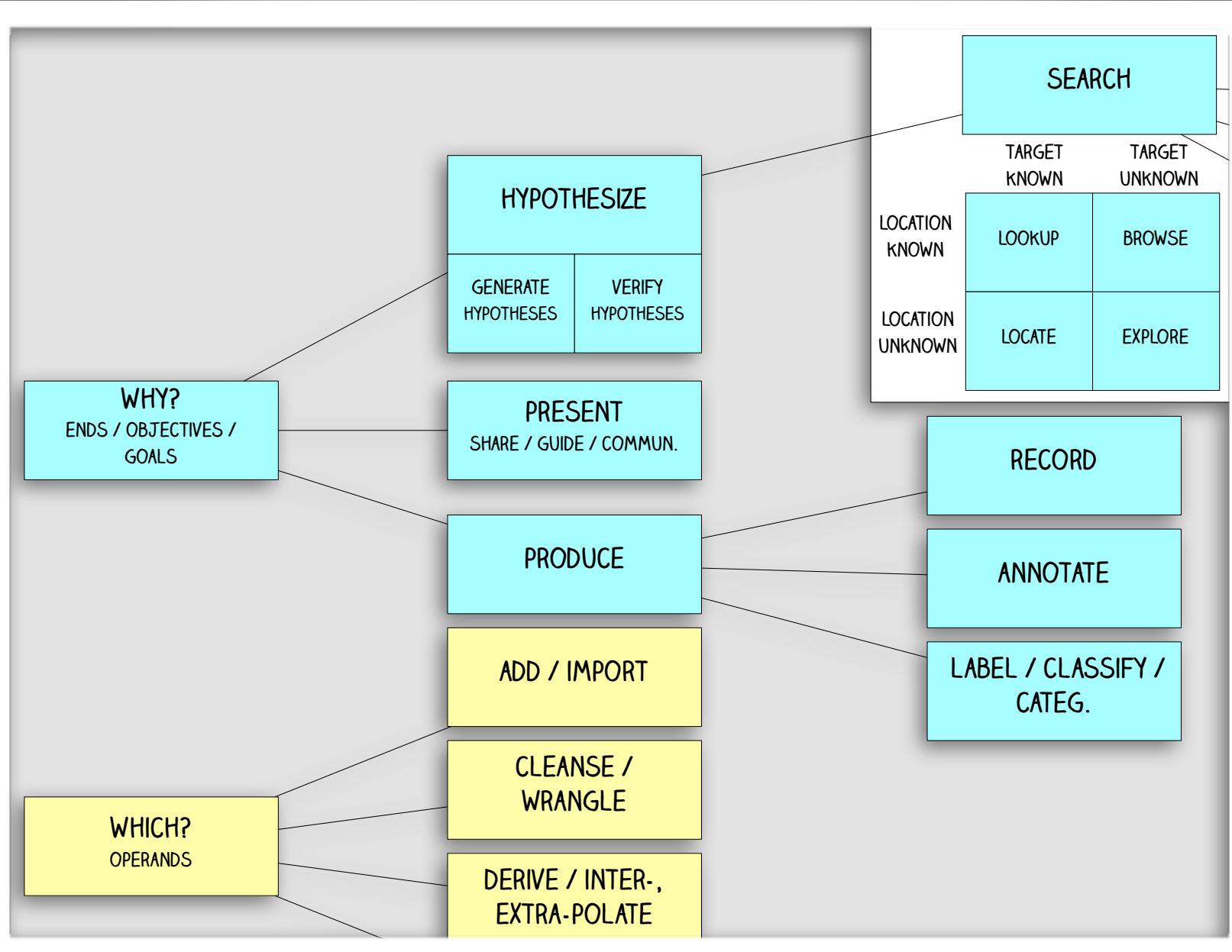
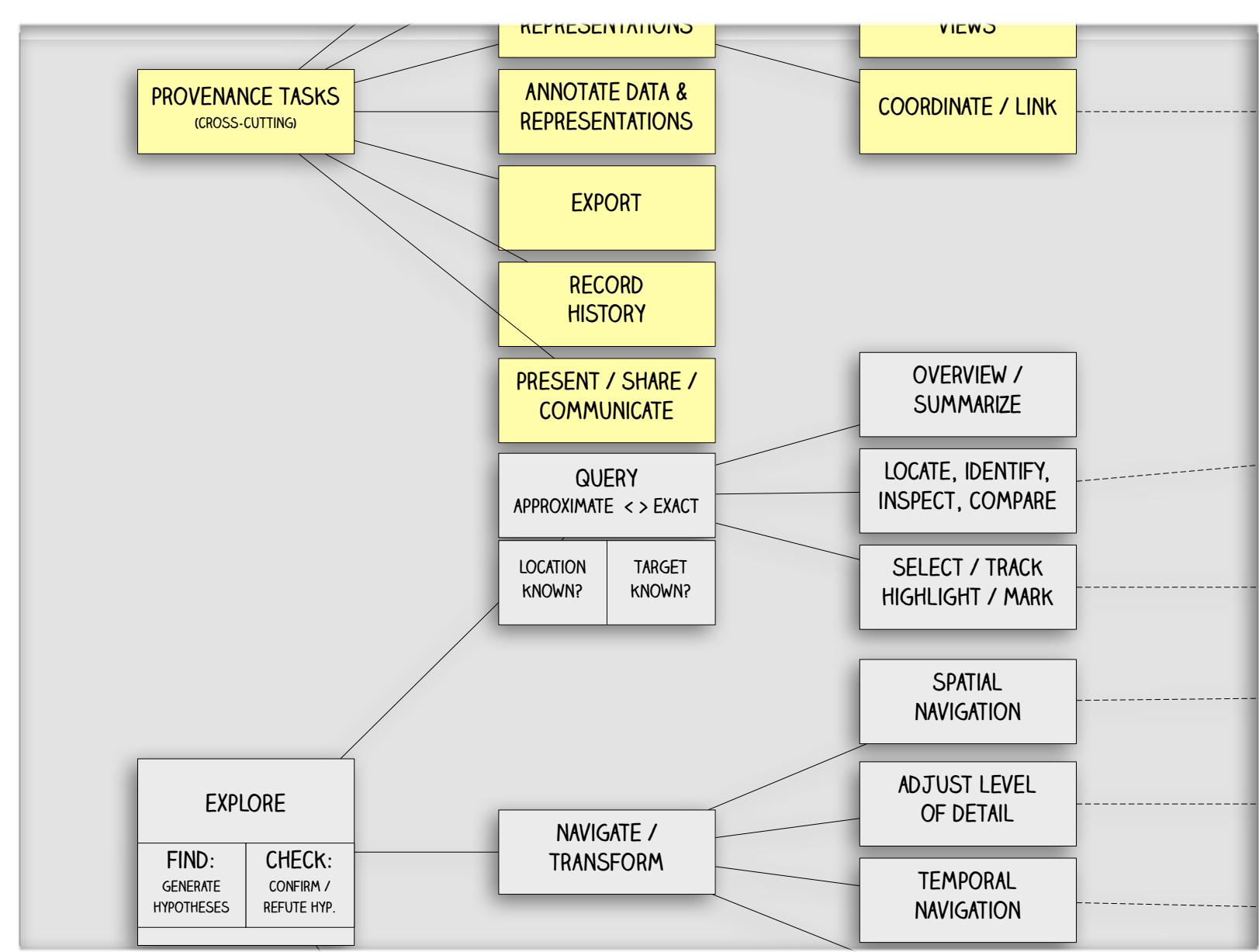
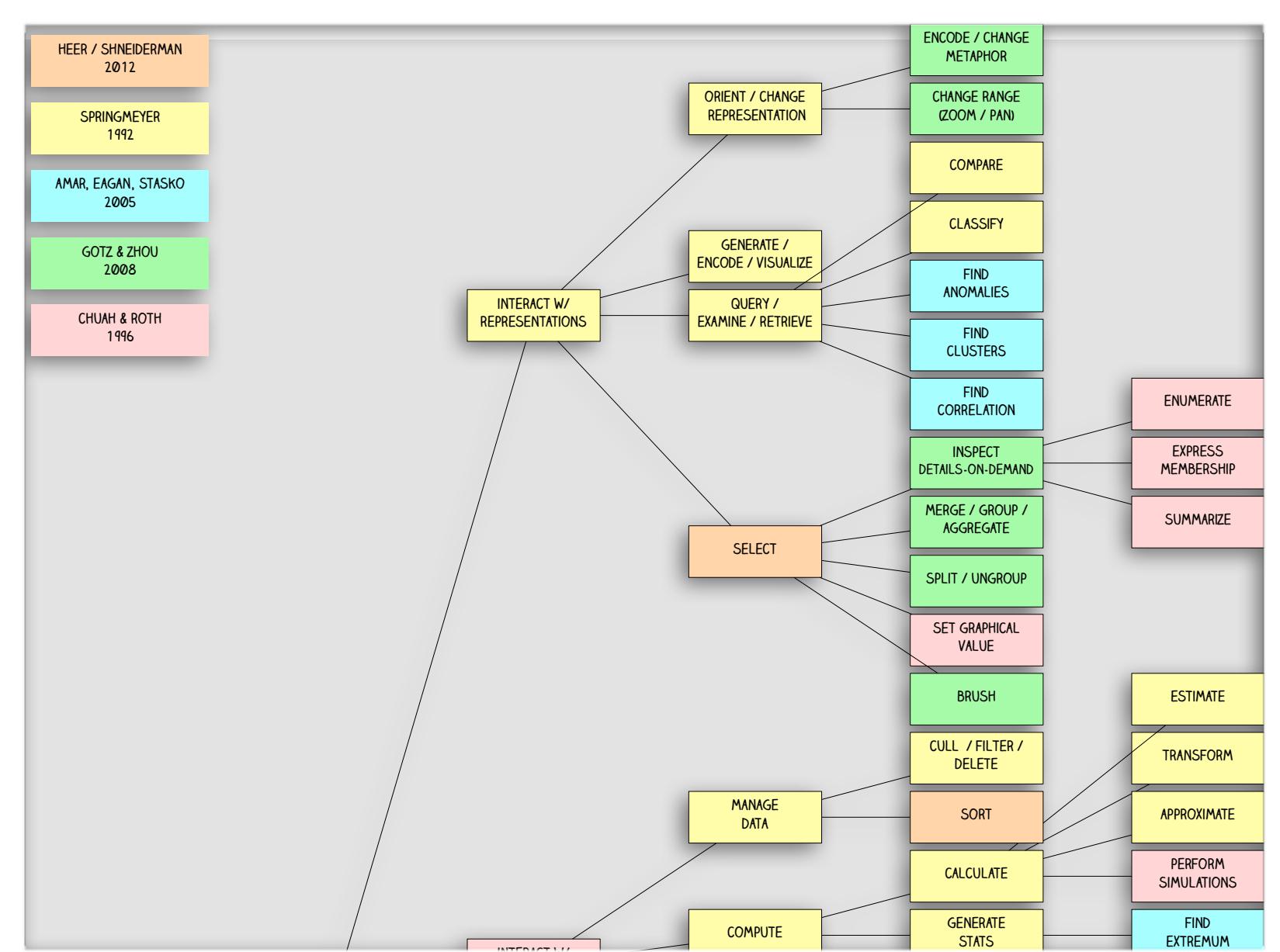
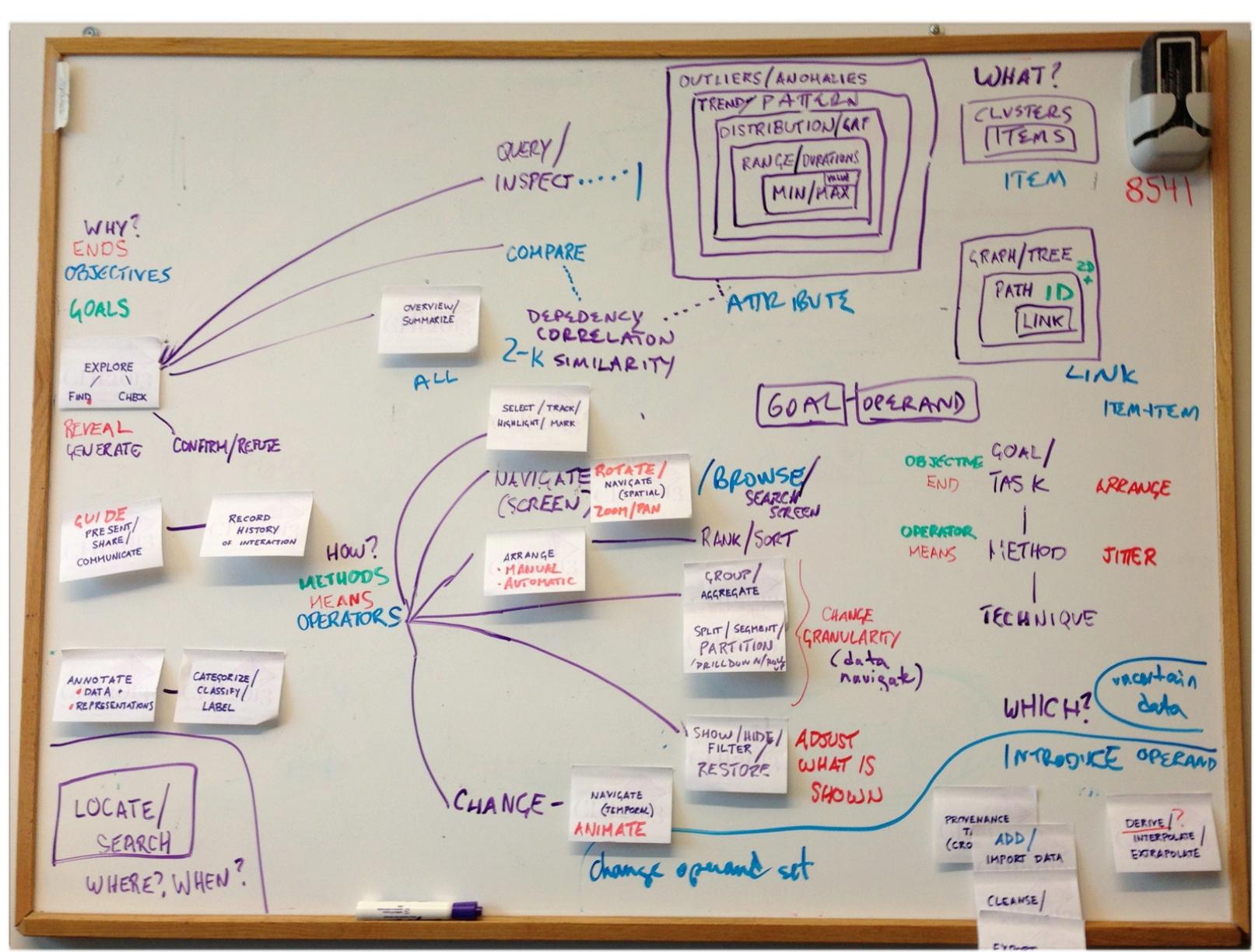
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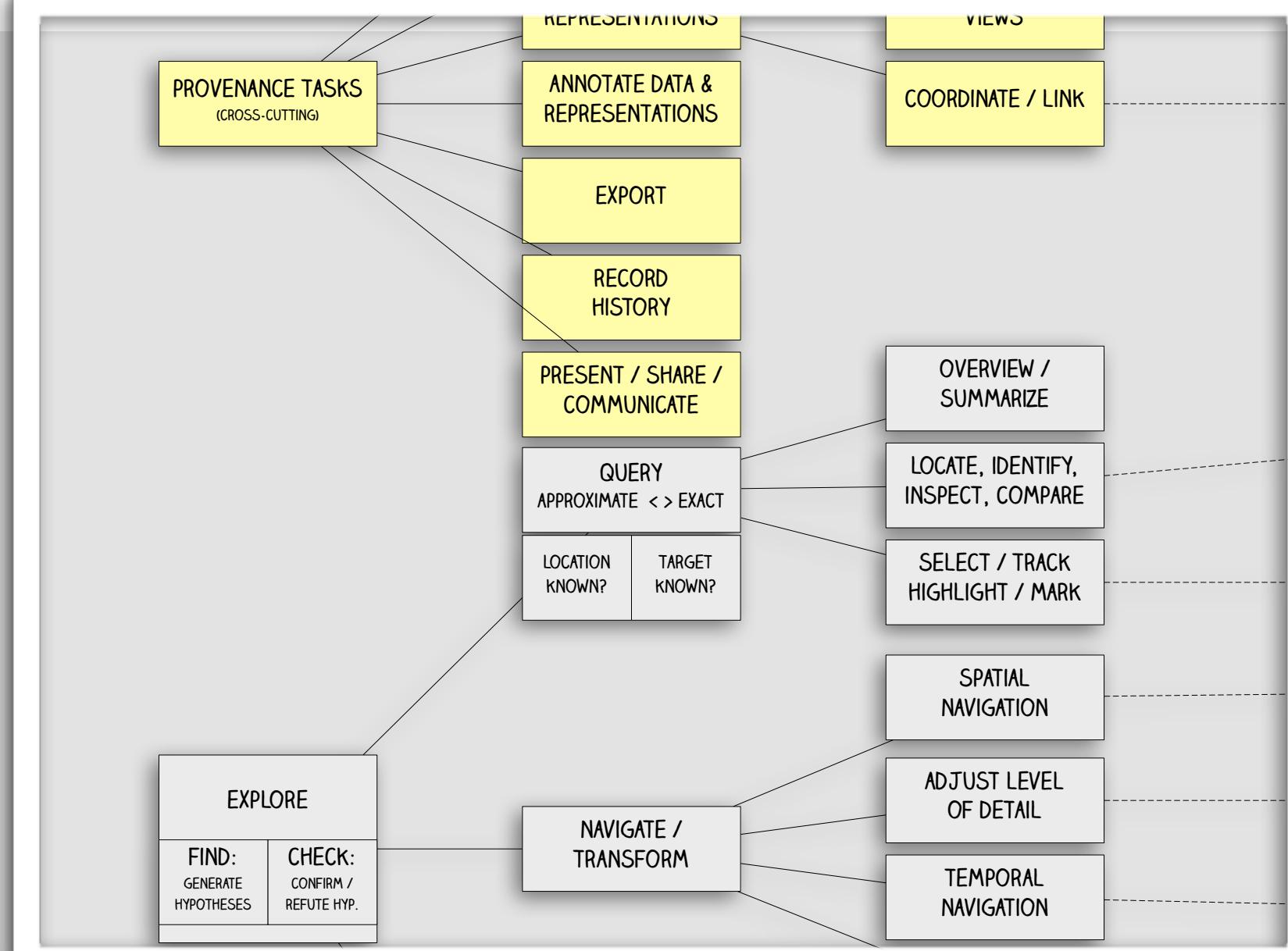
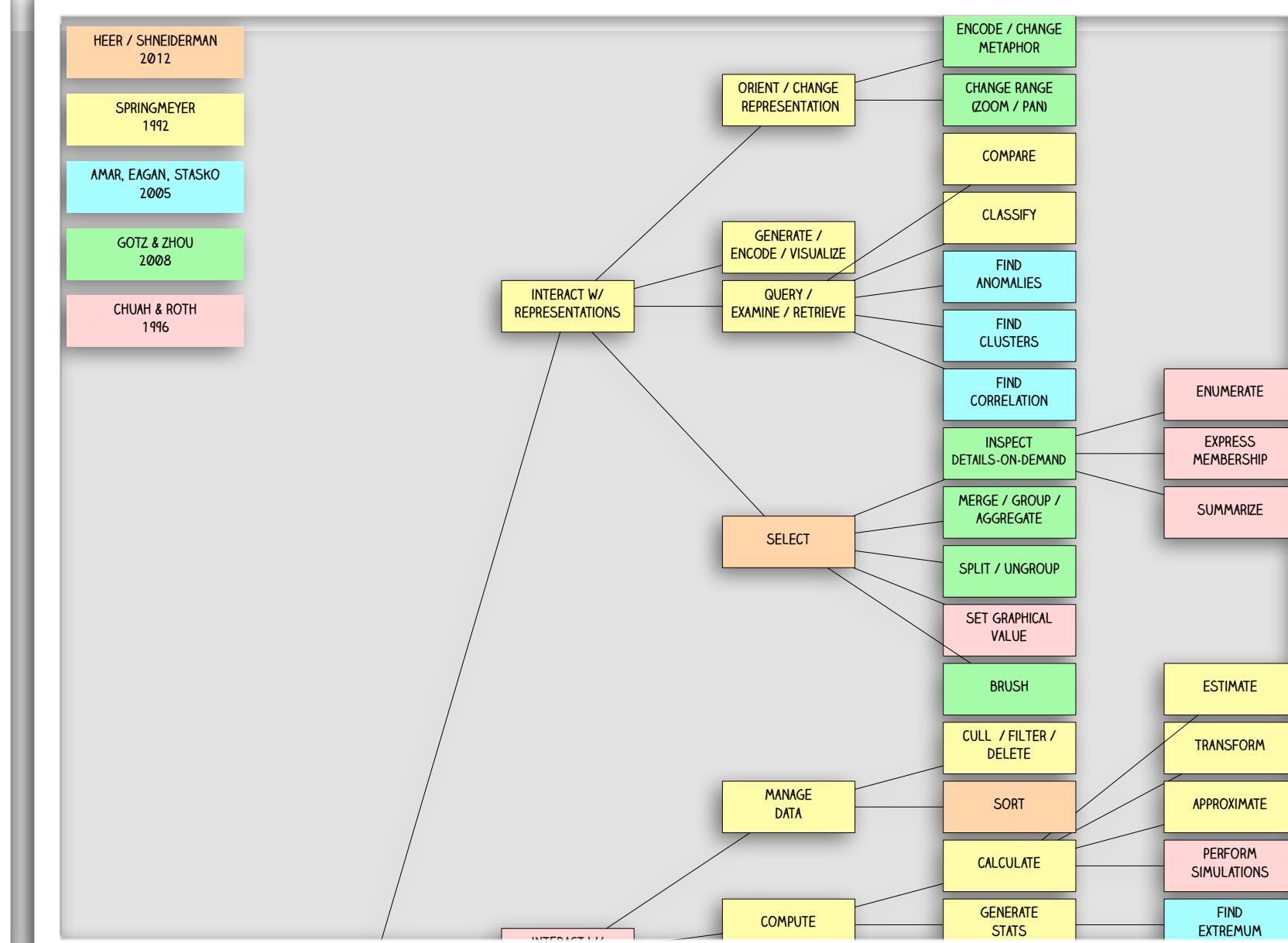
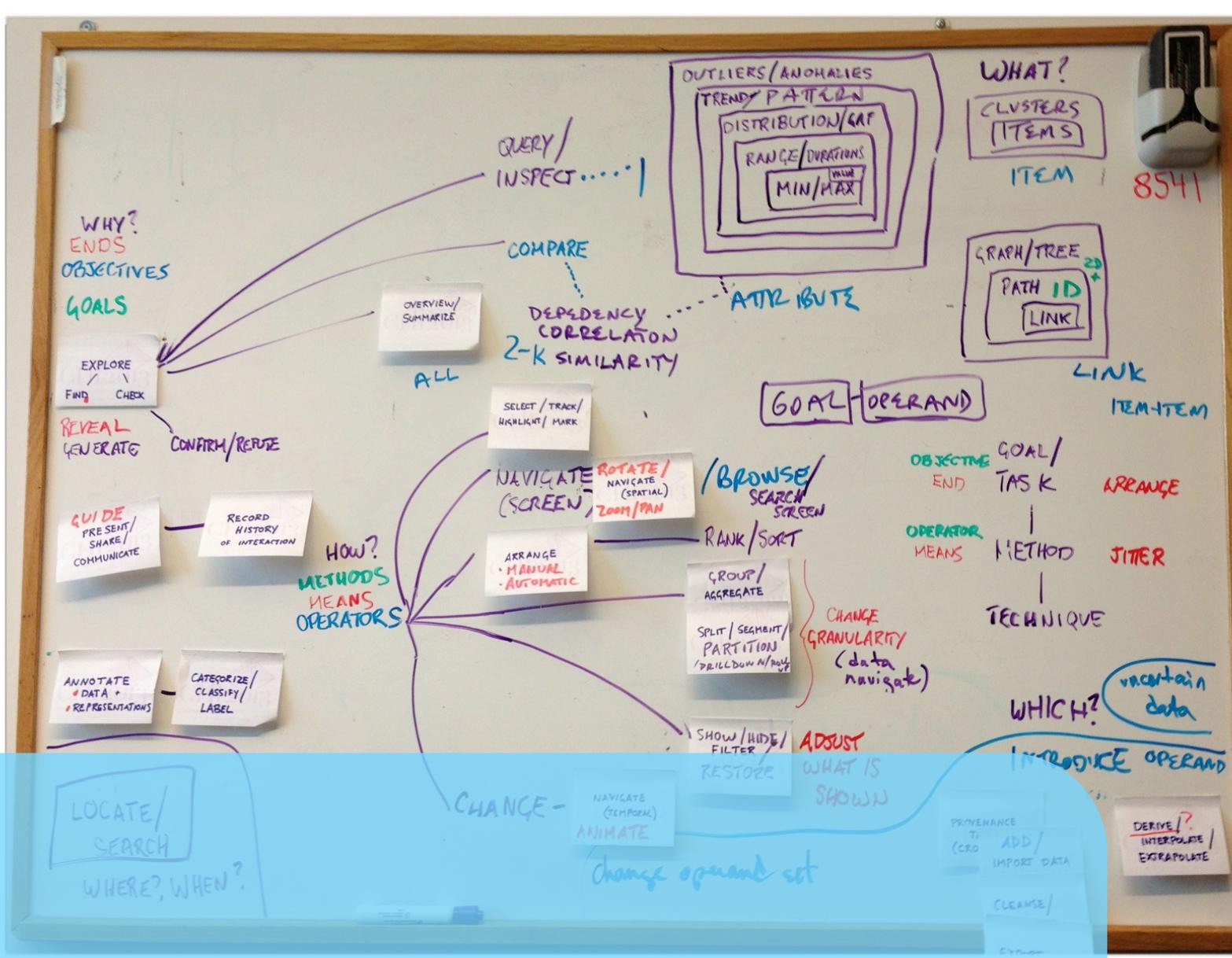


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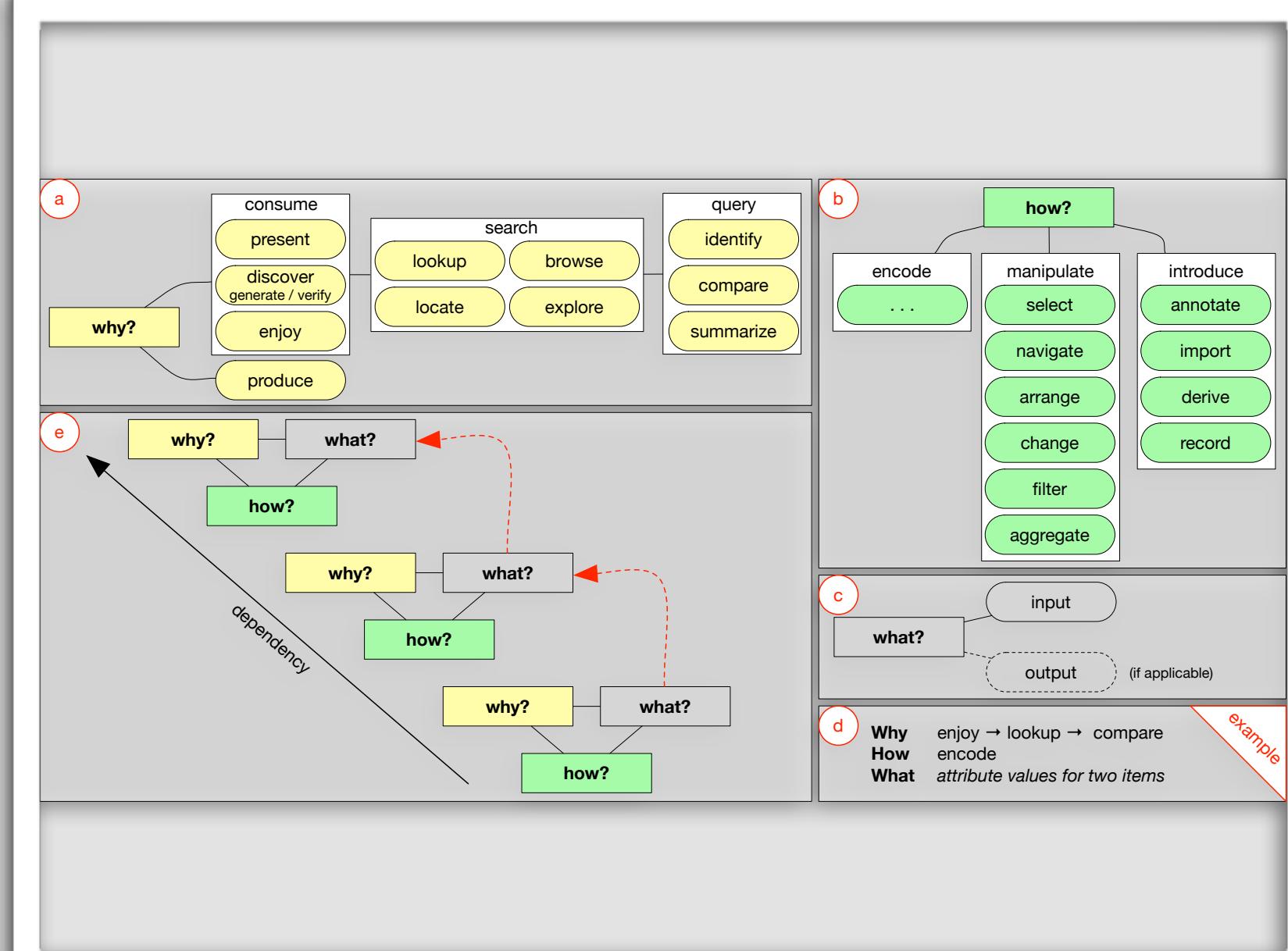
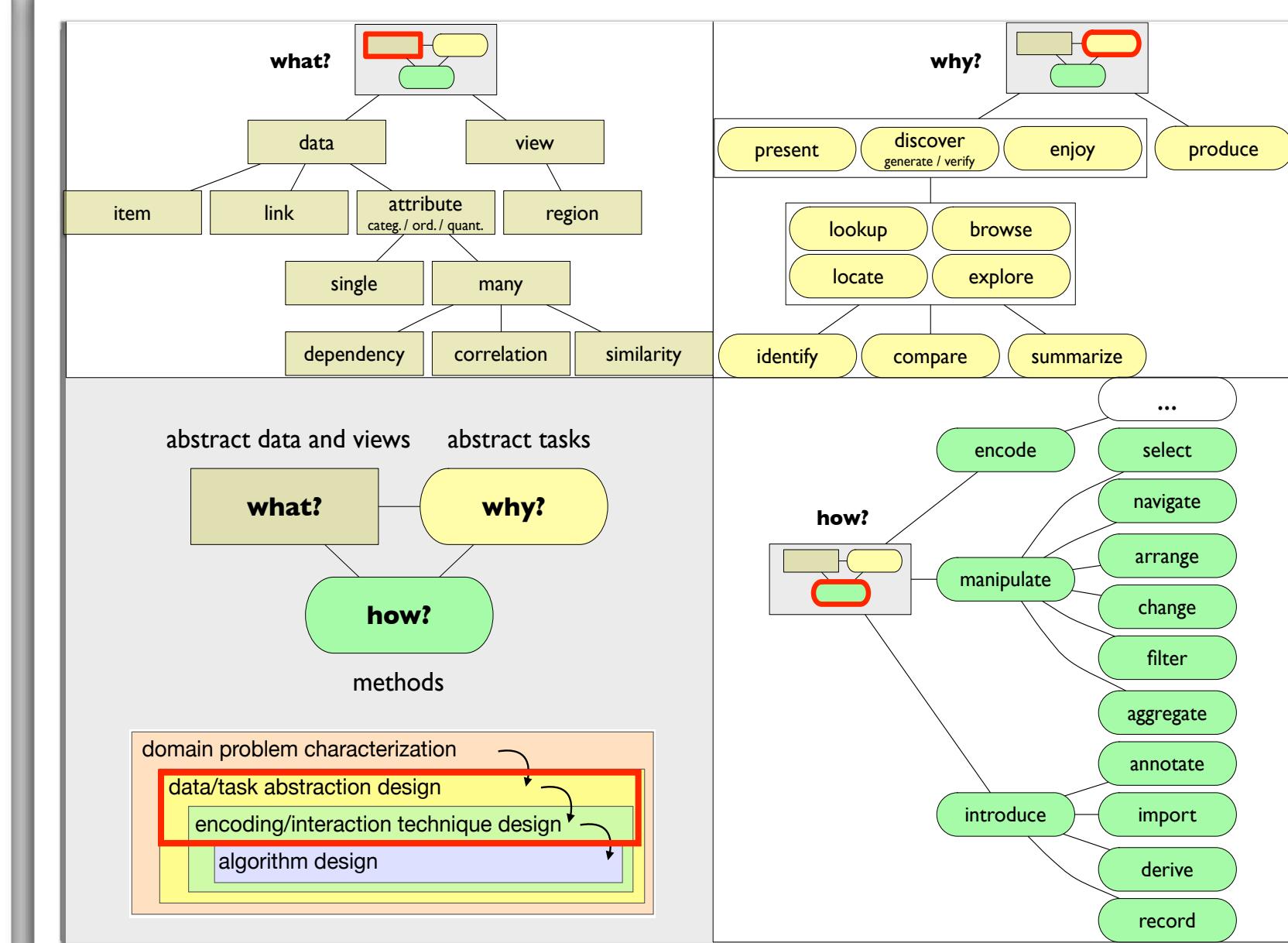
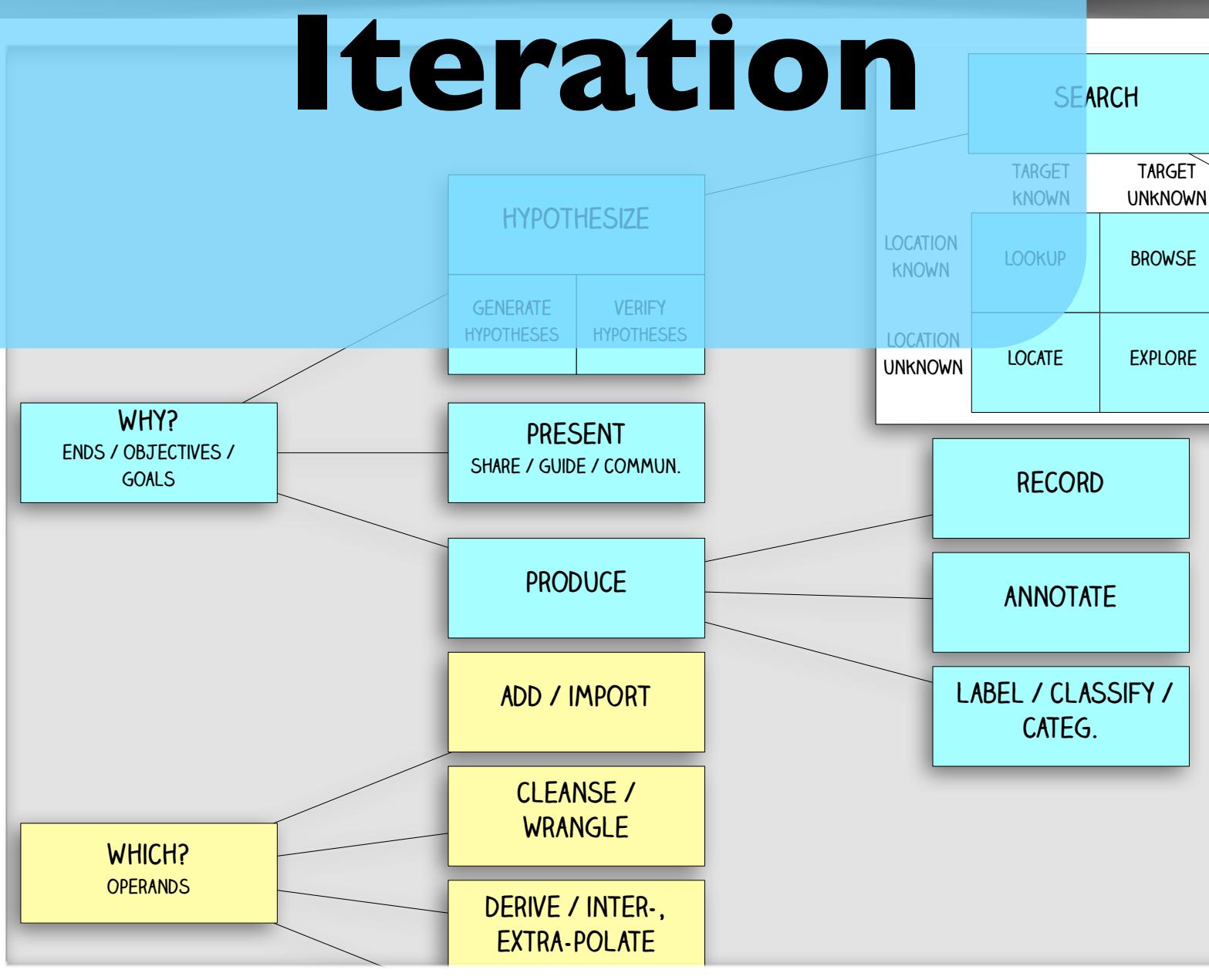
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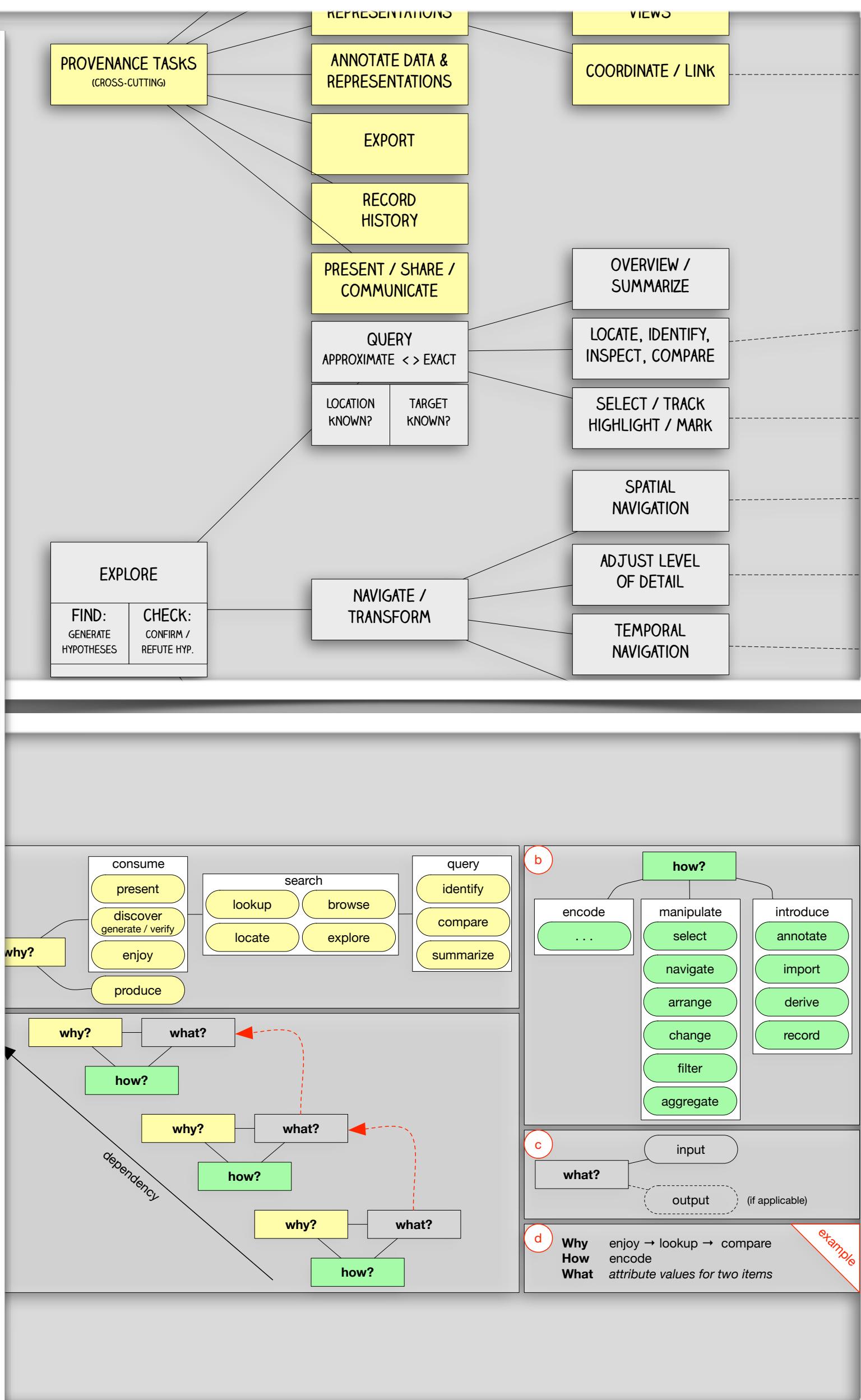
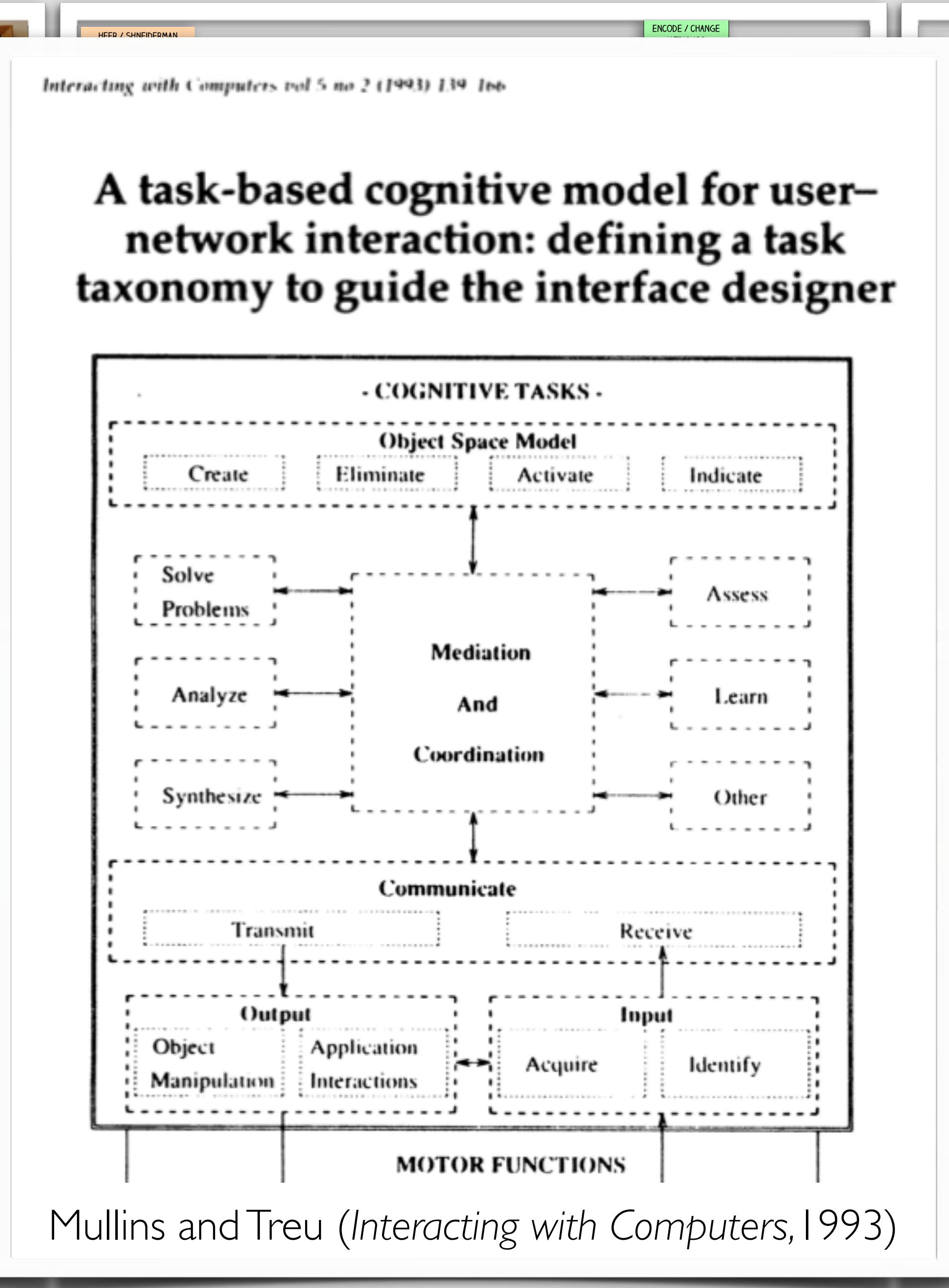
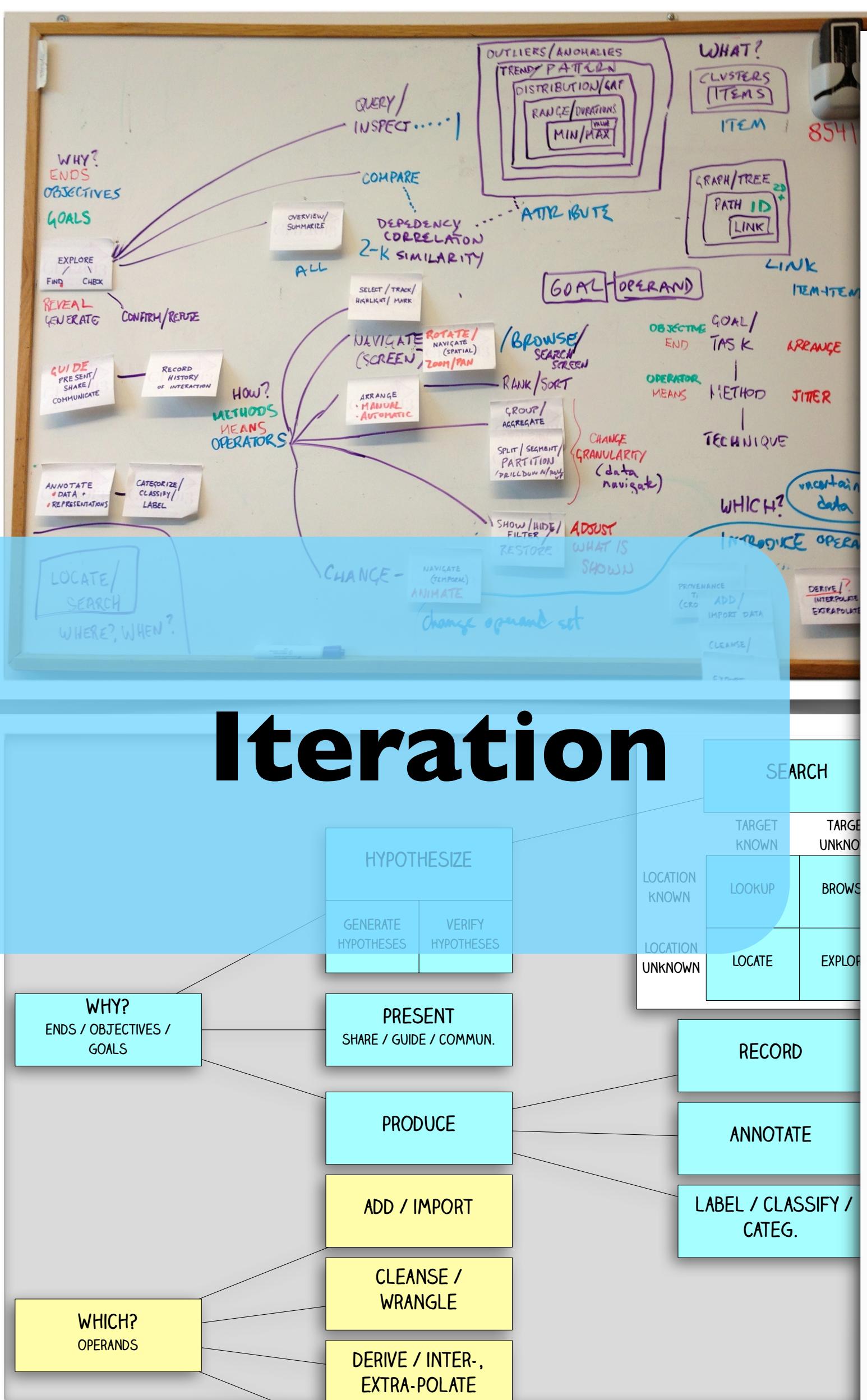
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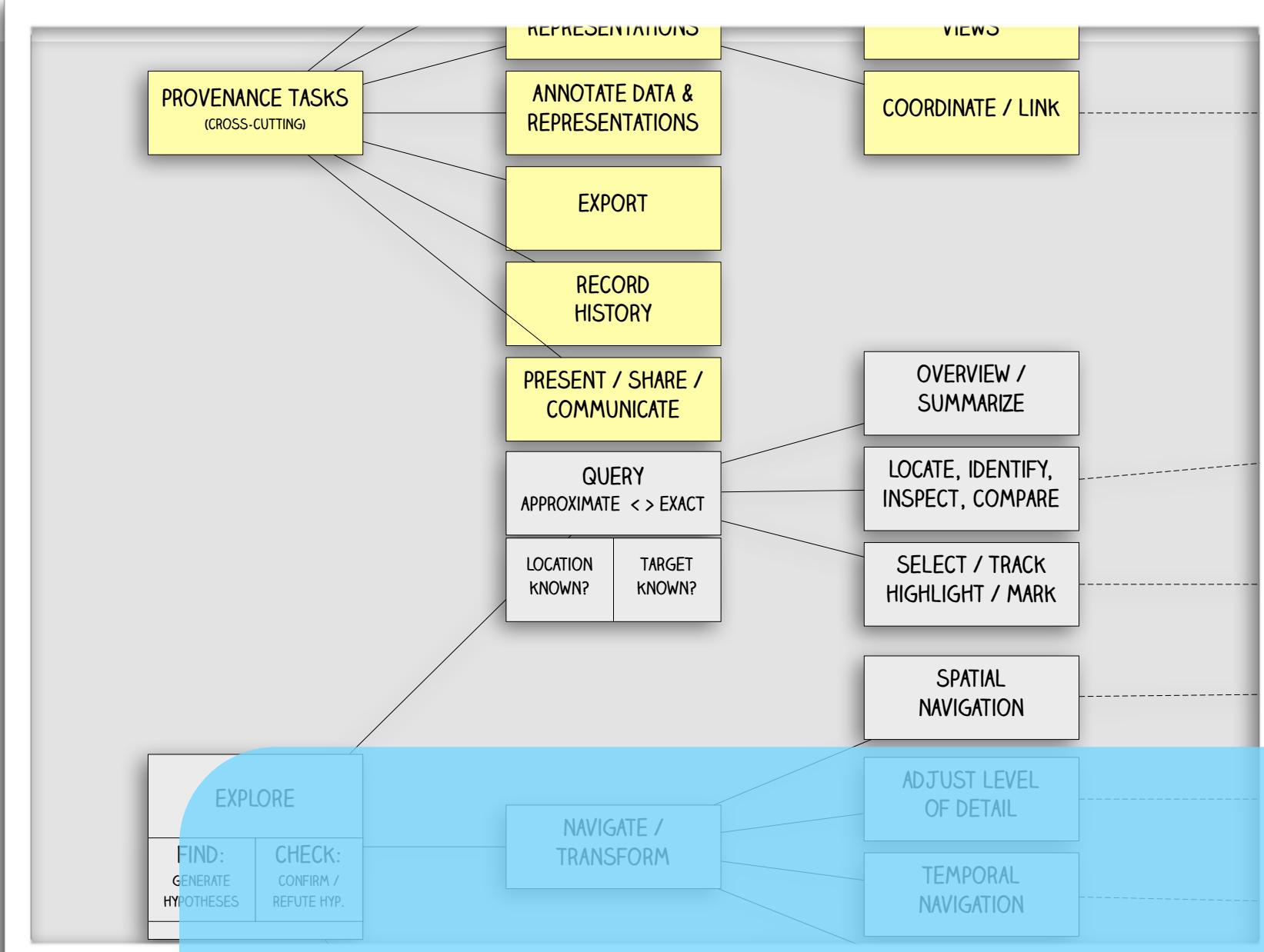
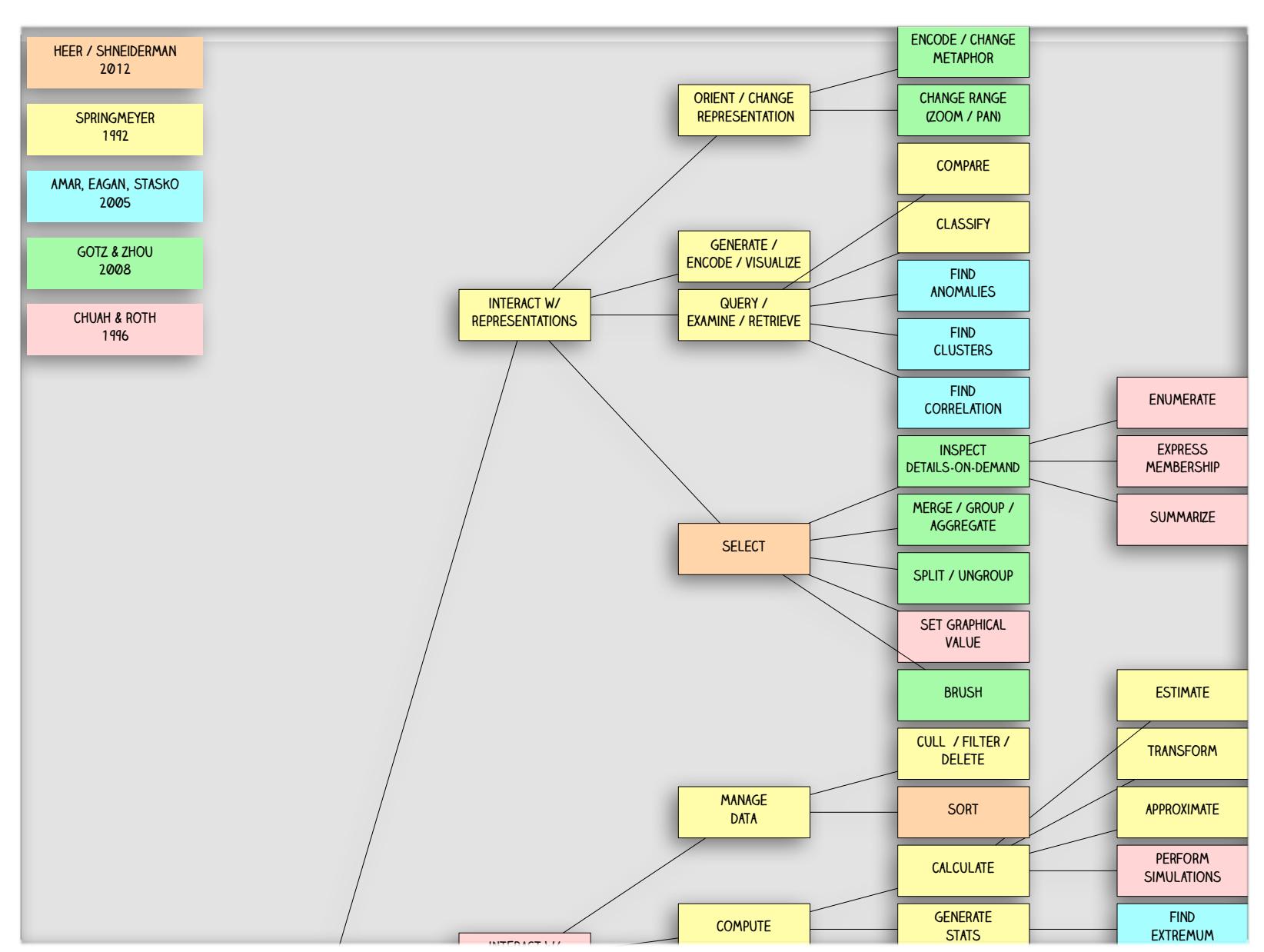
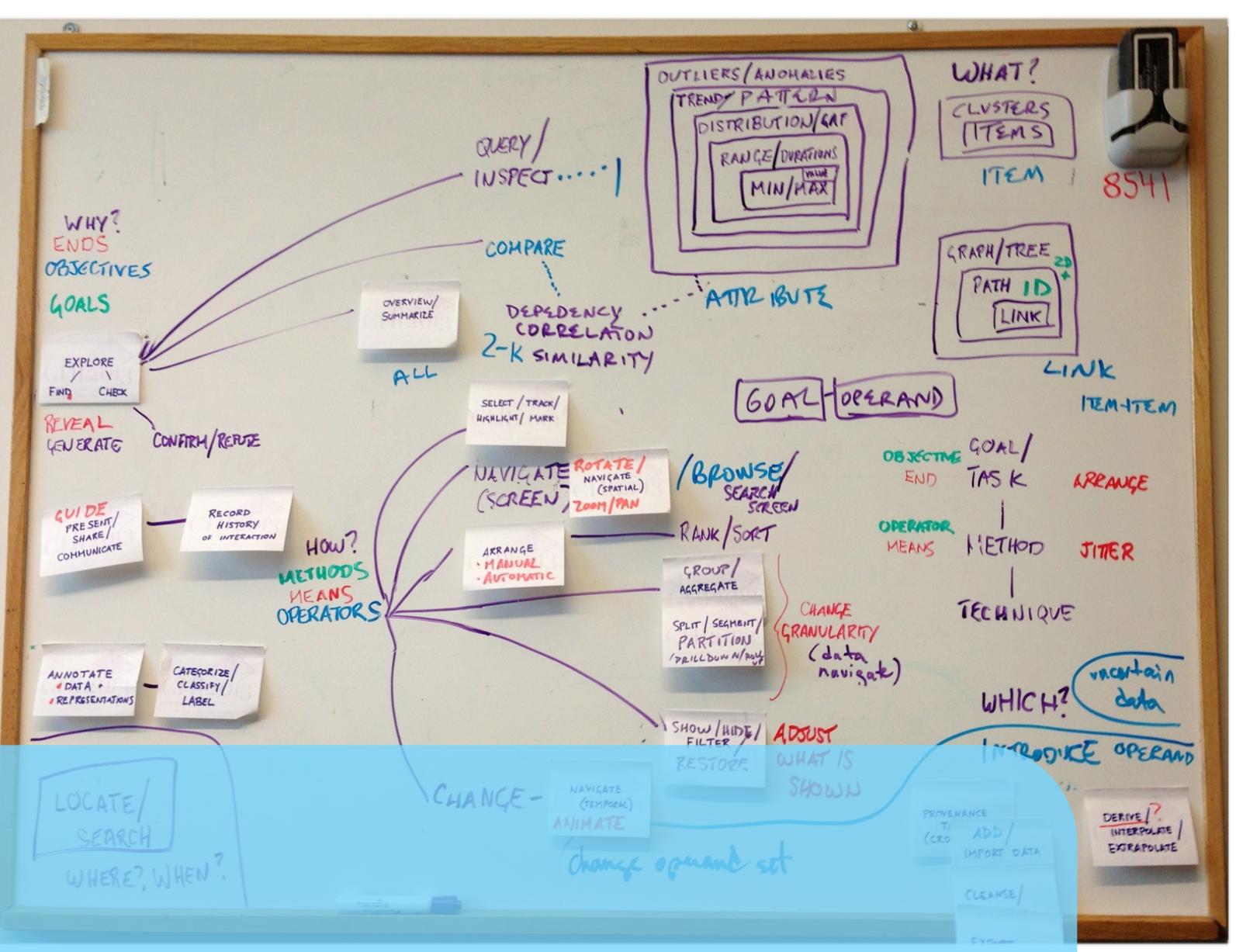




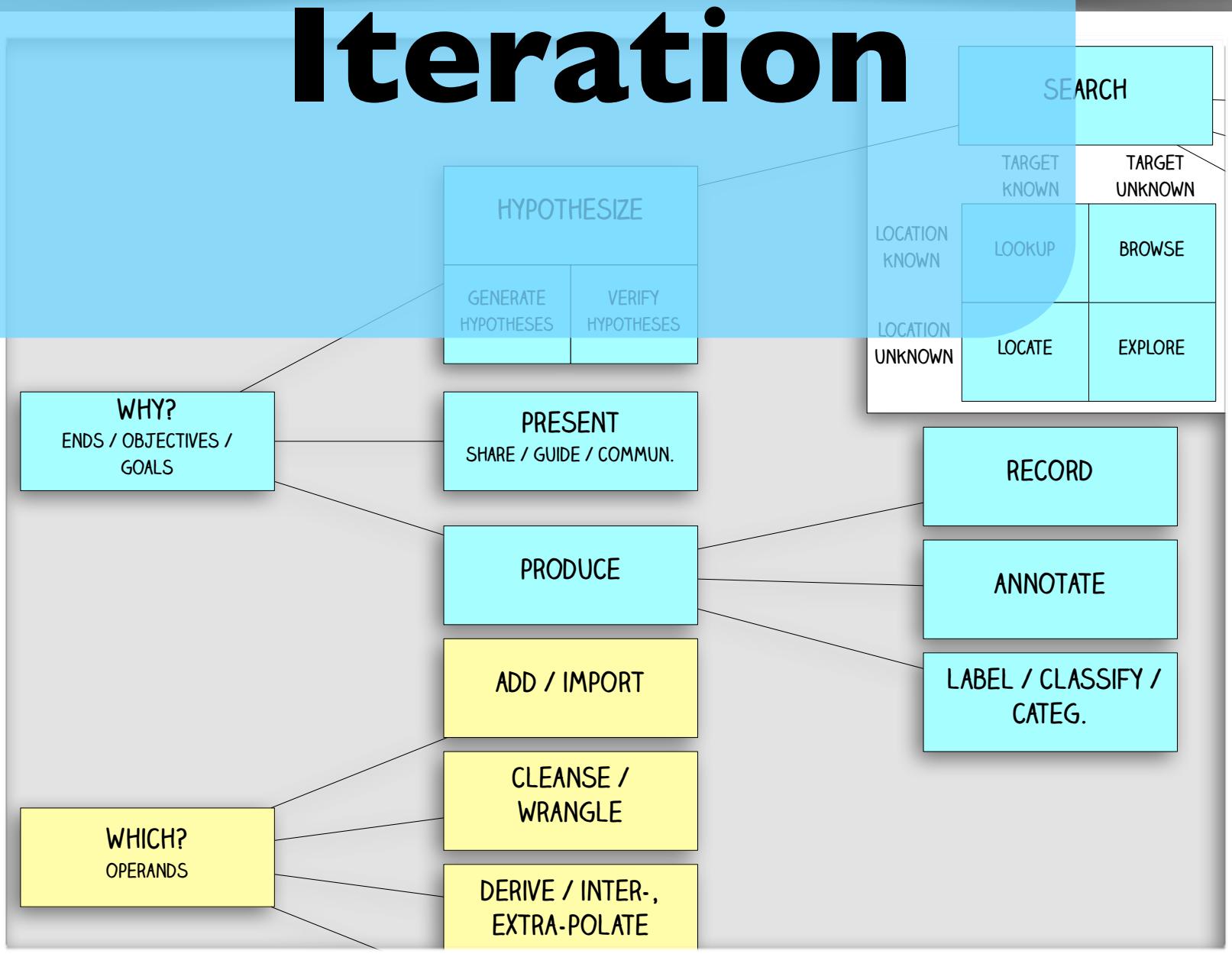
Iteration







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Mapping our Vocabulary to Previous Work

WHY?	
consume	-
→ present	<i>present</i> [63, 79], <i>author, compose</i> [11]*, <i>build (case), tell (story)</i> [51]*, <i>depict</i> [50]*, <i>express (ideas), describe</i> [66]*, <i>guide, share</i> [23]* <i>inform, elaborate</i> [83]*, <i>report</i> [27],
→ discover (generate, verify, hypotheses)	<i>discover</i> , [40], <i>explore</i> [83]* [79], <i>verify</i> [12]* [40], <i>synthesize</i> [42]*[40], <i>investigate, integration (of insight)</i> [66]*[40], <i>frame operations: construct, elaborate, question, reframe</i> [31]*, <i>assimilate, assess, understand</i> [50]*, <i>infer</i> [73]*, <i>analyze</i> [42, 50]*[40], <i>support, reevaluate (hypotheses)</i> [51]*, <i>monitoring</i> [76], <i>confirm (hypotheses), expose (uncertainty)</i> , <i>formulate (cause and effect), concretize (relationships), learn (domain parameters), multivariate explanation</i> [3]*, <i>evaluate, learn, investigate</i> [40], <i>open-ended exploration, diagnosis</i> [52], <i>abduction, deduction, induction</i> [50], <i>generate, confirm (hypotheses)</i> [4, 18], <i>integrate, interpret</i> [18], <i>exploratory and confirmatory data analysis</i> [71]
→ enjoy	<i>visualization use in casual contexts</i> [54, 65], <i>strolling</i> [17]
produce	<i>export</i> [57]*, <i>store</i> [42]*, <i>save</i> [39, 57]*, <i>extract</i> [11, 61]*, <i>generating (images)</i> [52], <i>(a classification)</i> [11, 66]*, <i>(a categorization)</i> [42, 78, 83]*, <i>(a record of one's history / process)</i> [23, 61, 66]*
search	<i>search</i> [11, 51, 83]*, <i>acquire</i> [42]*, <i>visual queries</i> [76]
→ lookup	<i>lookup</i> [12]* [40], <i>identify: lookup (value)</i> [78]*, <i>(value) lookup</i> [59]*, <i>retrieve (value)</i> [2, 37, 50, 57]*[70], <i>procure</i> [57]*
→ browse	<i>browse</i> [11, 42, 50, 64]*[17, 69], <i>search</i> [57]*, <i>finding (gestalt)</i> [10]*, <i>browsing tasks: follow (path)</i> [37]*
→ locate	<i>locate</i> [39, 42, 73, 78, 83]*[1, 18], <i>search</i> [12]*[17], <i>search (for known item)</i> [40], <i>seek</i> [64]*, <i>pathfinding</i> [76]
→ explore	<i>explore</i> [39, 50, 82]*[76, 80], <i>forage</i> [11, 39, 51]*, <i>finding (gestalt)</i> [10]*, <i>(overview) tasks</i> [37]*, <i>find (clusters, correlations, extremum, anomalies)</i> [2, 37, 50]*, <i>determine (correlations)</i> [59]*, <i>determine (clusters)</i> [78]*
query	<i>query</i> [56]*, <i>posing queries</i> [10]*, <i>elementary and synoptic tasks</i> [5]*, <i>levels of questions</i> [72]*, <i>question answering</i> [40]
→ identify	<i>identify</i> [37, 42, 50, 57, 73, 78, 83]*[1, 58], <i>reading (the data)</i> [18], <i>read (fact, pattern)</i> [11]*, <i>lookup</i> [5]*, <i>examine</i> [66]*, <i>determine (range)</i> [2, 37, 50]*, <i>determine / characterize (distribution)</i> [2, 37, 50, 78]*, <i>recognize</i> [31]*
→ compare	<i>compare</i> [5, 31, 42, 50, 57, 66, 72, 73, 83]* [40], <i>compare (within a relation vs. across / between relations)</i> [59, 78]*, <i>relation seeking</i> [5]*, <i>read comparison</i> [11]*, <i>making comparisons</i> [10]*, [76], <i>discriminate</i> [42]*, <i>associate</i> [57]*
→ summarize	<i>summarize</i> [83]*, <i>summarize (set), enumerate (set objects)</i> [14]*, <i>overview</i> [11, 15, 61]*, <i>(overview) tasks</i> [37]*, <i>scan</i> [37, 42]*, <i>connectional tasks</i> [5]*, <i>count</i> [37, 61]*, <i>visualization</i> [17], <i>review</i> [63]
HOW?	
encode	<i>encode</i> [14, 50, 82, 83]*, <i>create mapping</i> [14]*, <i>visualize</i> [23, 73]*, <i>generate</i> [66]*, <i>transform (visual mapping)</i> [13]*
manipulate	<i>manipulate</i> [80], <i>(object) manipulation</i> [42]*, <i>modify</i> [56]*, <i>(data) manipulation loop</i> [76]
→ select	<i>select</i> [23, 42, 50, 56, 72, 75, 82]*, <i>brush</i> [19, 29, 50]*[13, 76, 80], <i>distinguish</i> [78, 83]*, <i>emphasize</i> [83]*, <i>differentiate</i> [50]*, <i>highlight</i> [15, 23, 56]* [76], <i>identify: portray, individualize, profile</i> [83]*, <i>indicate</i> [42, 56]*, <i>mark</i> [42, 82]*, <i>reference</i> [42]*, <i>outline (clusters)</i> [83]*, <i>promote</i> [11]*, <i>track</i> [82]*, <i>pick</i> [42]*[13], <i>express (set membership)</i> [14]* <i>connect</i> [50, 82]*
→ navigate	<i>navigate</i> [23, 64, 75]*[40, 44, 52, 76, 80], <i>focus</i> [10, 15]* [13], <i>details-on-demand</i> [11, 61]*, [13], <i>flip through</i> [13] <i>zoom</i> [10, 11, 15, 19, 29, 42, 50, 57, 61, 82]*[13, 44, 80], <i>pan</i> [10, 19, 42, 50, 57, 82]*[80], <i>elaborate</i> [50, 82]*, <i>abstract</i> [50, 82]*, <i>change (range)</i> [19]*, <i>drill down</i> [15]*, <i>maneuver / navigate</i> [66]*, <i>rotate</i> [13, 80] <i>revisit</i> [19, 37]*
→ arrange	<i>arrange</i> [10, 57]*, <i>sort</i> [2, 19, 23, 37, 50]*[44], <i>rank</i> [57, 78, 83]*, <i>coordinate</i> [23]*, <i>delineate, sequence</i> [57]*, <i>index</i> [59]*, <i>move</i> [42, 56]*, <i>edit</i> [42]*, <i>organize</i> [23]* [63], <i>orient, permute, position, translate</i> [13], <i>reorder</i> [11, 80], <i>configure</i> [73]*, <i>reconfigure</i> [50, 82]*, <i>restructure</i> [39]*
→ change	<i>change (parameters)</i> [15]* [13], <i>change (metaphor)</i> [19]*, <i>change (representation)</i> [15]*, <i>change (vis. encoding)</i> [44], <i>transform</i> [56]*[40, 80], <i>transform (mapping), shift, scale, set (graphical value)</i> [14]*, <i>rotate, scale</i> [13], <i>configure</i> [73]*, <i>animate</i> [13, 80], <i>distort</i> [29, 75]* [13], <i>orient / transform</i> [66]*, <i>(object) manipulation: transform, stretch, shape</i> [42]*, <i>re-express, re-symbolize, re-project</i> [57]*, <i>edit</i> [42, 57]*, <i>activate</i> [56]*
→ filter	<i>filter</i> [2, 11, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 42, 50, 51, 57, 61, 82]*[44, 70, 80], <i>subsetting, (value) filtering, (view) filtering</i> [13], <i>exclude</i> [40, 70], <i>screen: filter, suppress, conceal</i> [42]*, <i>maneuver: (data) management / culling</i> [66]*, <i>configure</i> [73]*, <i>delete (objects, sets, graphical objects)</i> [14]*, <i>delete</i> [11, 19, 56]*, <i>overlay</i> [57]*, <i>restore</i> [19, 42]*
→ aggregate	<i>aggregate</i> [42]*[13, 44], <i>cluster</i> [11]*[13], <i>associate</i> [42, 78, 83]*, <i>simplify</i> [13], <i>link</i> [10, 15, 29, 42]*[63, 80], <i>merge</i> [19]*, <i>generalize / merge</i> [83]*, <i>assemble</i> [42]*, <i>create (set)</i> [14]*, <i>split</i> [19]*, <i>disassemble</i> [42]*, <i>disassociate</i> [42]*, <i>reveal: itemize, separate</i> [83]*, <i>segregate: ungroup, unlink</i> [42]*, <i>withdraw, overlay</i> [42]*
introduce	<i>introduce</i> [42]*
→ annotate	<i>annotate</i> [19, 23, 57]*, <i>add placemark</i> [82], <i>create (anchors)</i> [39]*, <i>create / copy (graphical objects)</i> [14]*, <i>create / modify (note)</i> [19]* <i>externalize (analysis artefacts)</i> [63], <i>give a meaningful name to (groups / clusters)</i> [37]*,
→ import	<i>import</i> [57]*, <i>add (objects)</i> [14]*, <i>create</i> [11, 42]*, <i>generate</i> [56]*, <i>(data) entry</i> [42]*, <i>load</i> [39]
→ derive	<i>derive</i> [23]*, <i>derived (attributes)</i> [14]*, <i>derive (new conditions)</i> [66]*, <i>compute (derived value)</i> [2, 37, 50]*, <i>copy</i> [56]*, <i>compute</i> [83]*, <i>calculate</i> [42, 57, 66]*, <i>configure, determine</i> [73]*, <i>average</i> [11]* <i>computation operators</i> [12]*
→ record	<i>record</i> [23, 42, 66]*, <i>bookmark</i> [19]*, <i>history</i> [61]*, <i>redo, undo</i> [19, 82]*

← Table I:
lookup table of task vocabulary

Our 27 terms
(left column)

Terms from 30 extant classification systems + 20 additional references
(right column)

Mapping our Vocabulary to Previous Work

→ **navigate** *navigate [23, 64, 75]*[40, 44, 52, 76, 80], focus [10, 15]* [13], details-on-demand [11, 61]*, [13], flip through [13]*
zoom [10, 11, 15, 19, 29, 42, 50, 57, 61, 82][13, 44, 80], pan [10, 19, 42, 50, 57, 82]*[80], elaborate [50, 82]*,*
abstract [50, 82], change (range) [19]*, drill down [15]*, maneuver / navigate [66]*, rotate [13, 80] revisit [19, 37]**

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→ present	<i>present, [63, 79], author, compose [11]*, build (case), tell (story) [51]*, depict [50]*, express (ideas), describe [66]*, guide, share [23]* inform, elaborate [83]*, report [27],</i>
→ discover (generate, verify, hypotheses)	<i>discover, [40], explore [83]* [79], verify [12]* [40], synthesize [42]*[40], investigate, integration (of insight) [66]*[40], frame operations: construct, elaborate, question, reframe [31]*, assimilate, assess, understand [50]*, infer [73]*, analyze [42, 50]*[40], support, reevaluate (hypotheses) [51]*, monitoring [76], confirm (hypotheses), expose (uncertainty), formulate (cause and effect), concretize (relationships), learn (domain parameters), multivariate explanation [3]*, evaluate, learn, investigate [40], open-ended exploration, diagnosis [52], abduction, deduction, induction [50], generate, confirm (hypotheses) [4, 18], integrate, interpret [18], exploratory and confirmatory data analysis [71]</i>
→ enjoy	<i>visualization use in casual contexts [54, 65], strolling [17]</i>
produce	<i>export [57]*, store [42]*, save [39, 57]*, extract [11, 61]*, generating (images) [52], (a classification) [11, 66]*, (a categorization) [42, 78, 83]*, (a record of one's history / process) [23, 61, 66]*</i>
search	<i>search [11, 51, 83]*, acquire [42]*, visual queries [76]</i>
→ lookup	<i>lookup [12]* [40], identify: lookup (value) [78]*, (value) lookup [59]*, retrieve (value) [2, 37, 50, 57]*[70], procure [57]*</i>
→ browse	<i>browse [11, 42, 50, 64]*[17, 69], search [57]*, finding (gestalt) [10]*, browsing tasks: follow (path) [37]*</i>
→ locate	<i>locate [39, 42, 73, 78, 83]*[1, 18], search [12]*[17], search (for known item) [40], seek [64]*, pathfinding [76]</i>
→ explore	<i>explore [39, 50, 82]*[76, 80], forage [11, 39, 51]*, finding (gestalt) [10]*, (overview) tasks [37]*, find (clusters, correlations, extremum, anomalies) [2, 37, 50]*, determine (correlations) [59]*, determine (clusters) [78]*</i>
query	<i>query [56]*, posing queries [10]*, elementary and synaptic tasks [5]*, levels of questions [72]*, question answering [40]</i>
→ identify	<i>identify [37, 42, 50, 57, 73, 78, 83]*[1, 58], reading (the data) [18], read (fact, pattern) [11]*, lookup [5]*, examine [66]*, determine (range) [2, 37, 50]*, determine / characterize (distribution) [2, 37, 50, 78]*, recognize [31]*</i>
→ compare	<i>compare [5, 31, 42, 50, 57, 66, 72, 73, 83]* [40], compare (within a relation vs. across / between relations) [59, 78]*, relation seeking [5]*, read comparison [11]*, making comparisons [10]*, [76], discriminate [42]*, associate [57]*</i>
→ summarize	<i>summarize [83]*, summarize (set), enumerate (set objects) [14]*, overview [11, 15, 61]*, (overview) tasks [37]*, scan [37, 42]*, connectional tasks [5]*, count [37, 61]*, visualization [17], review [63]</i>
HOW?	
encode	<i>encode [14, 50, 82, 83]*, create mapping [14]*, visualize [23, 73]*, generate [66]*, transform (visual mapping) [13]*</i>
manipulate	<i>manipulate [80], (object) manipulation [42]*, modify [56]*, (data) manipulation loop [76]</i>
→ select	<i>select [23, 42, 50, 56, 72, 75, 82]*, brush [19, 29, 50]*[13, 76, 80], distinguish [78, 83]*, emphasize [83]*, differentiate [50]*, highlight [15, 23, 56]* [76], identify: portray, individualize, profile [83]*, indicate [42, 56]*, mark [42, 82]*, reference [42]*, outline (clusters) [83]*, promote [11]*, track [82]*, pick [42]*[13], express (set membership) [14]* connect [50, 82]*</i>
→ navigate	<i>navigate [23, 64, 75]*[40, 44, 52, 76, 80], focus [10, 15]* [13], details-on-demand [11, 61]*, [13], flip through [13]</i>
→ arrange	<i>zoom [10, 11, 15, 19, 29, 42, 50, 57, 61, 82]*[13, 44, 80], pan [10, 19, 42, 50, 57, 82]*[80], elaborate [50, 82]*, abstract [50, 82]*, change (range) [19]*, drill down [15]*, maneuver / navigate [66]*, rotate [13, 80] revisit [19, 37]*</i>
→ change	<i>arrange [10, 57]*, sort [2, 19, 23, 37, 50]*[44], rank [57, 78, 83]*, coordinate [23]*, delineate, sequence [57]*, index [59]*, move [42, 56]*, edit [42]*, organize [23]* [63], orient, permute, position, translate [13], reorder [11, 80], configure [73]*, reconfigure [50, 82]*, restructure [39]*</i>
	<i>change (parameters) [15]* [13], change (metaphor) [19]*, change (representation) [15]*, change (vis. encoding) [44], transform [56]*[40, 80], transform (mapping), shift, scale, set (graphical value) [14]*, rotate, scale [13], configure [73]*, animate [13, 80], direct [10, 75]*[13], orient / transform [66]*, (object) manipulation, transform, create, change [47]*</i>

→ import	<i>create / modify (note) [19]* externalize (analysis artifacts) [63], give a meaningful name to (groups / clusters) [31]*, import [57]*, add (objects) [14]*, create [11, 42]*, generate [56]*, (data) entry [42]*, load [39]</i>
→ derive	<i>derive [23]*, derived (attributes) [14]*, derive (new conditions) [66]*, compute (derived value) [2, 37, 50]*, copy [56]*, compute [83]*, calculate [42, 57, 66]*, configure, determine [73]*, average [11]* computation operators [12]*, transform (data) [13]*, estimate, generate (statistics) [66]*, extrapolate [42]*[18], interpolate [42]*[18]</i>
→ record	<i>record [23, 42, 66]*, bookmark [19]*, history [61]*, redo, undo [19, 82]*</i>

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lookup table of task vocabulary

Our 27 terms
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Terms from 30 extant classification systems

(right column)

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→ compare

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Mapping our Vocabulary to Previous Work

→ navigate

navigate [23, 64, 75]*[40, 44, 52, 76, 80], *focus* [10, 15]* [13], *details-on-demand* [11, 61]*, [13], *flip through* [13] *zoom* [10, 11, 15, 19, 29, 42, 50, 57, 61, 82]*[13, 44, 80], *pan* [10, 19, 42, 50, 57, 82]*[80], *elaborate* [50, 82]*, *abstract* [50, 82]*, *change (range)* [19]*, *drill down* [15]*, *maneuver / navigate* [66]*, *rotate* [13, 80] *revisit* [19, 37]*

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→ discover (generate, verify, hypotheses)	<i>discover</i> , [40], <i>explore</i> [83]* [79], <i>verify</i> [12]* [40], <i>synthesize</i> [42]*[40], <i>investigate, integration (of insight)</i> [66]*[40], <i>frame operations: construct, elaborate, question, reframe</i> [31]*, <i>assimilate, assess, understand</i> [50]*, <i>infer</i> [73]*, <i>analyze</i> [42, 50]*[40], <i>support, reevaluate (hypotheses)</i> [51]*, <i>monitoring</i> [76], <i>confirm (hypotheses), expose (uncertainty)</i> , <i>formulate (cause and effect), concretize (relationships), learn (domain parameters), multivariate explanation</i> [3]*, <i>evaluate, learn, investigate</i> [40], <i>open-ended exploration, diagnosis</i> [52], <i>abduction, deduction, induction</i> [50], <i>generate, confirm (hypotheses)</i> [4, 18], <i>integrate, interpret</i> [18], <i>exploratory and confirmatory data analysis</i> [71]
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→ summarize	<i>summarize</i> [83]*, <i>summarize (set), enumerate (set objects)</i> [14]*, <i>overview</i> [11, 15, 61]*, <i>(overview) tasks</i> [37]*, <i>scan</i> [37, 42]*, <i>connectional tasks</i> [5]*, <i>count</i> [37, 61]*, <i>visualization</i> [17], <i>review</i> [63]
HOW?	
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→ select	<i>select</i> [23, 42, 50, 56, 72, 75, 82]*, <i>brush</i> [19, 29, 50]*[13, 76, 80], <i>distinguish</i> [78, 83]*, <i>emphasize</i> [83]*, <i>differentiate</i> [50]*, <i>highlight</i> [15, 23, 56]* [76], <i>identify: portray, individualize, profile</i> [83]*, <i>indicate</i> [42, 56]*, <i>mark</i> [42, 82]*, <i>reference</i> [42]*, <i>outline (clusters)</i> [83]*, <i>promote</i> [11]*, <i>track</i> [82]*, <i>pick</i> [42]*[13], <i>express (set membership)</i> [14]* <i>connect</i> [50, 82]*
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→ record	<i>transform (data)</i> [13]*, <i>estimate, generate (statistics)</i> [66]*, <i>extrapolate</i> [42]*[18], <i>interpolate</i> [42]*[18] <i>record</i> [23, 42, 66]*, <i>bookmark</i> [19]*, <i>history</i> [61]*, <i>redo, undo</i> [19, 82]*

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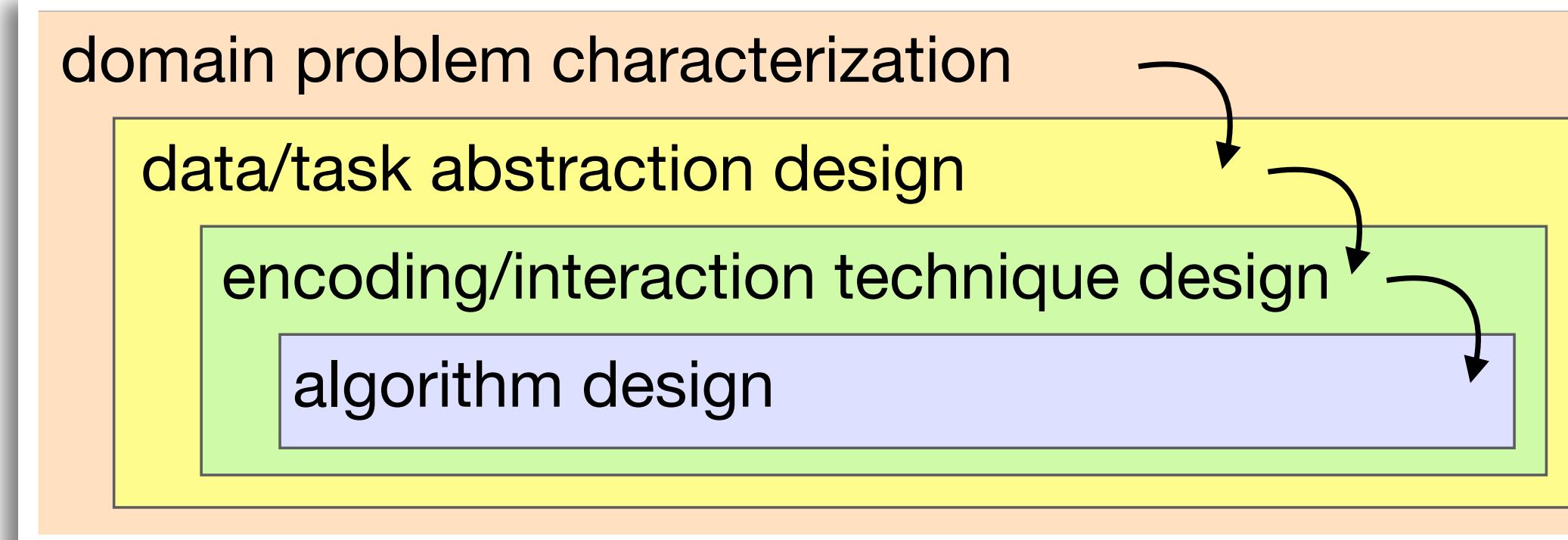
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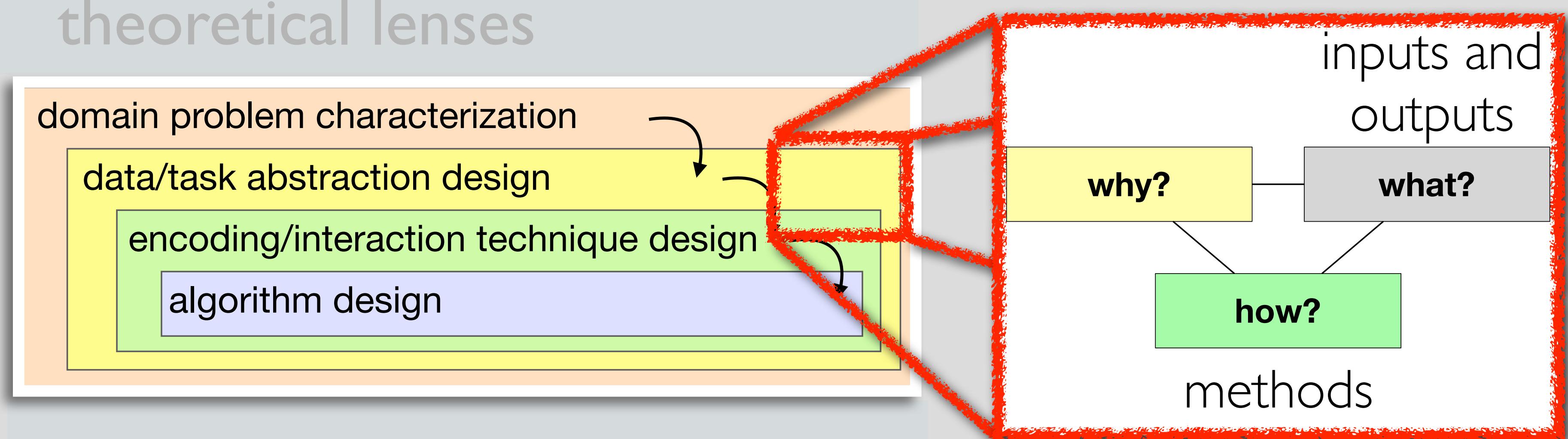
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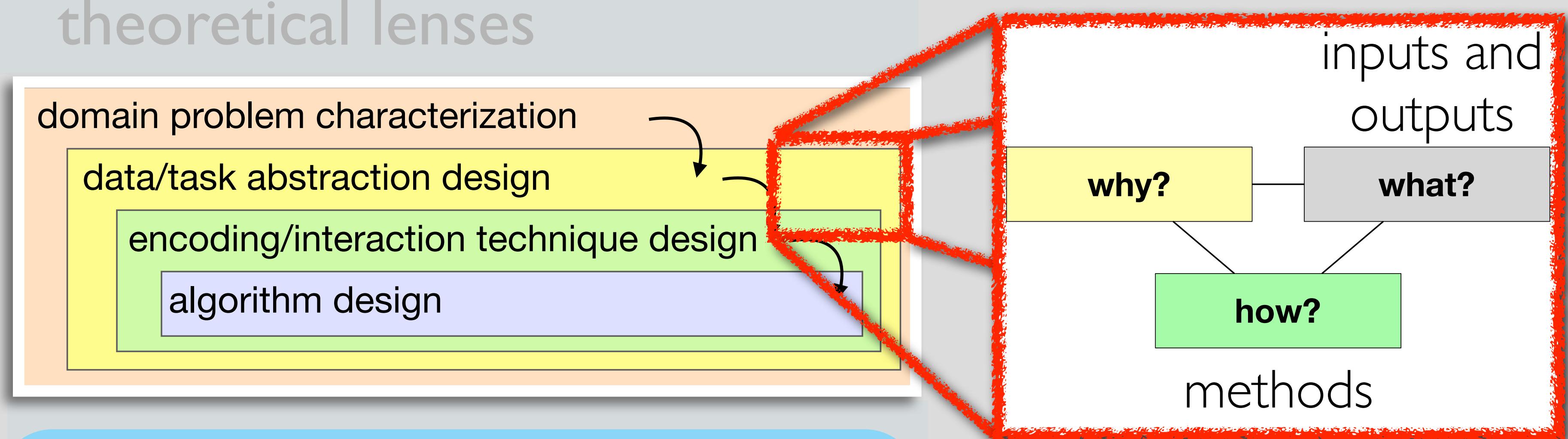
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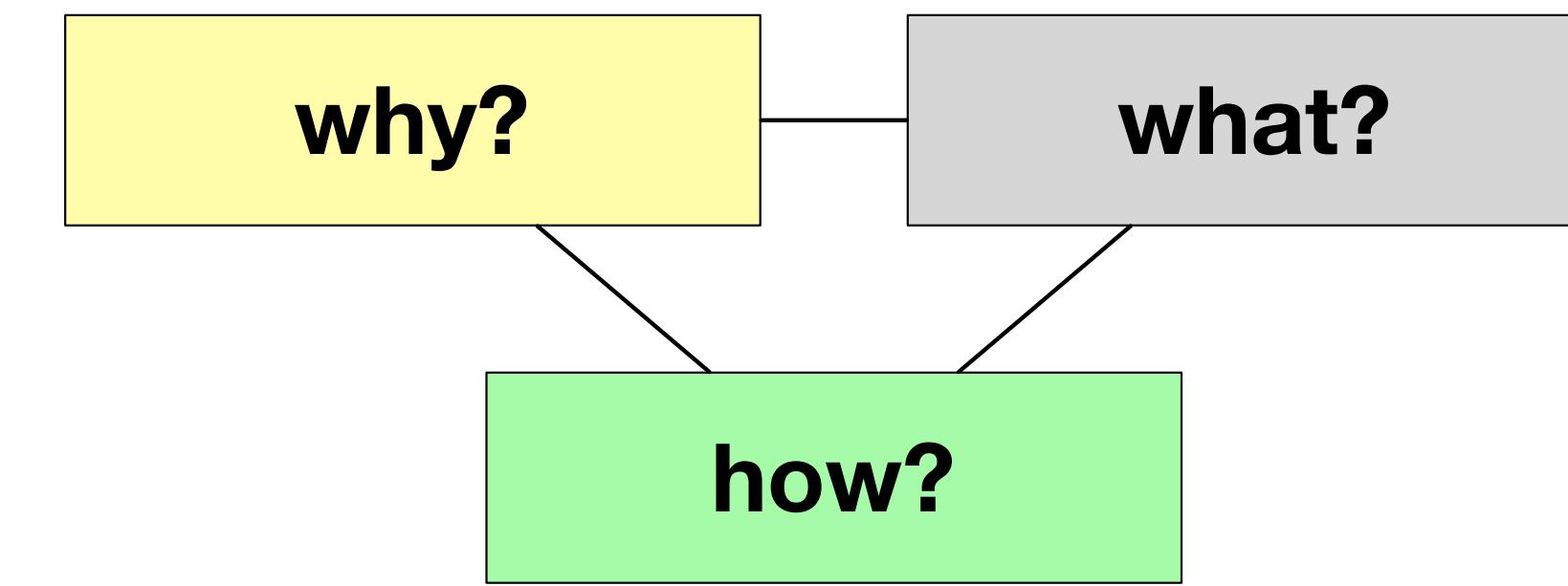
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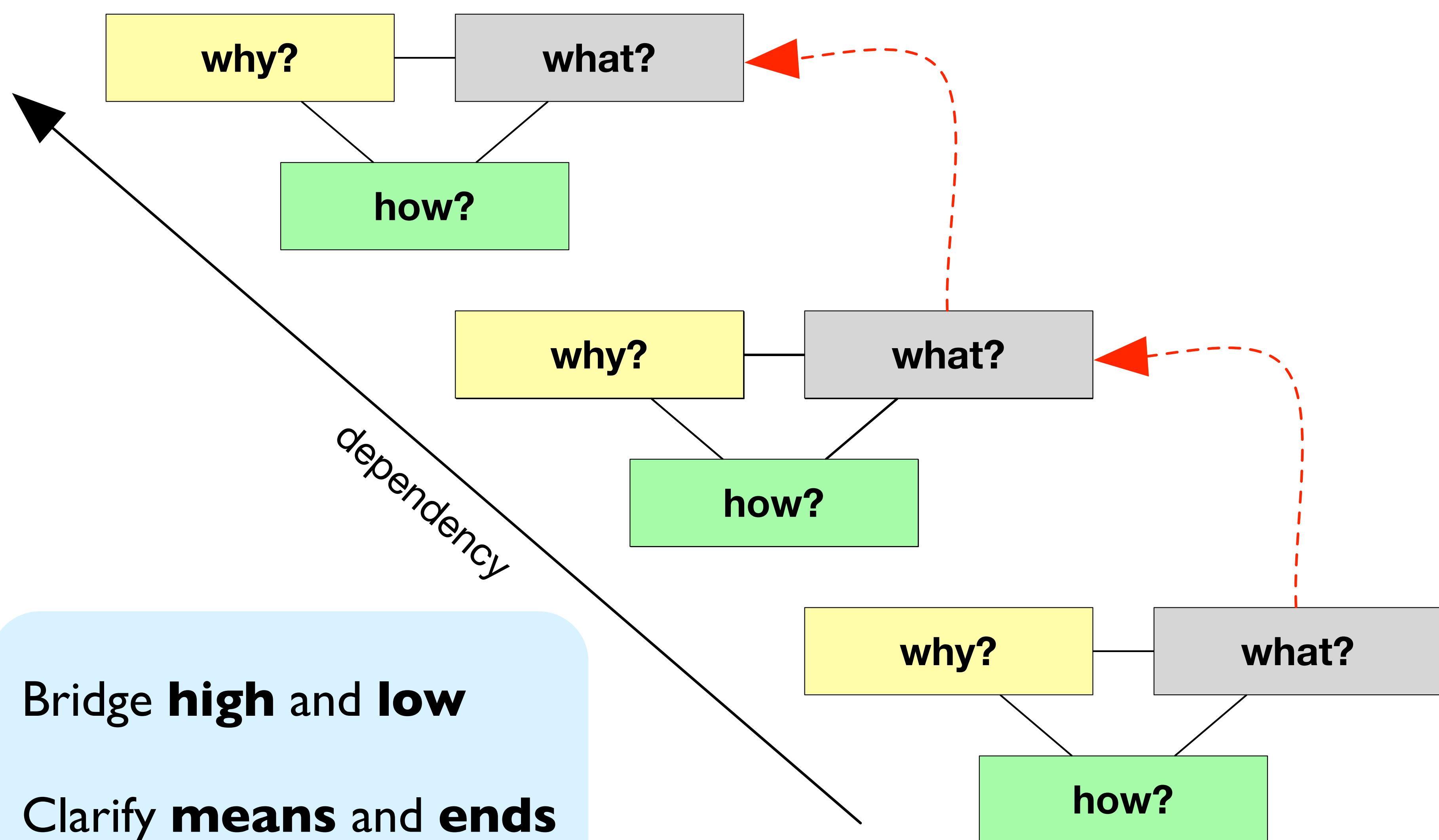
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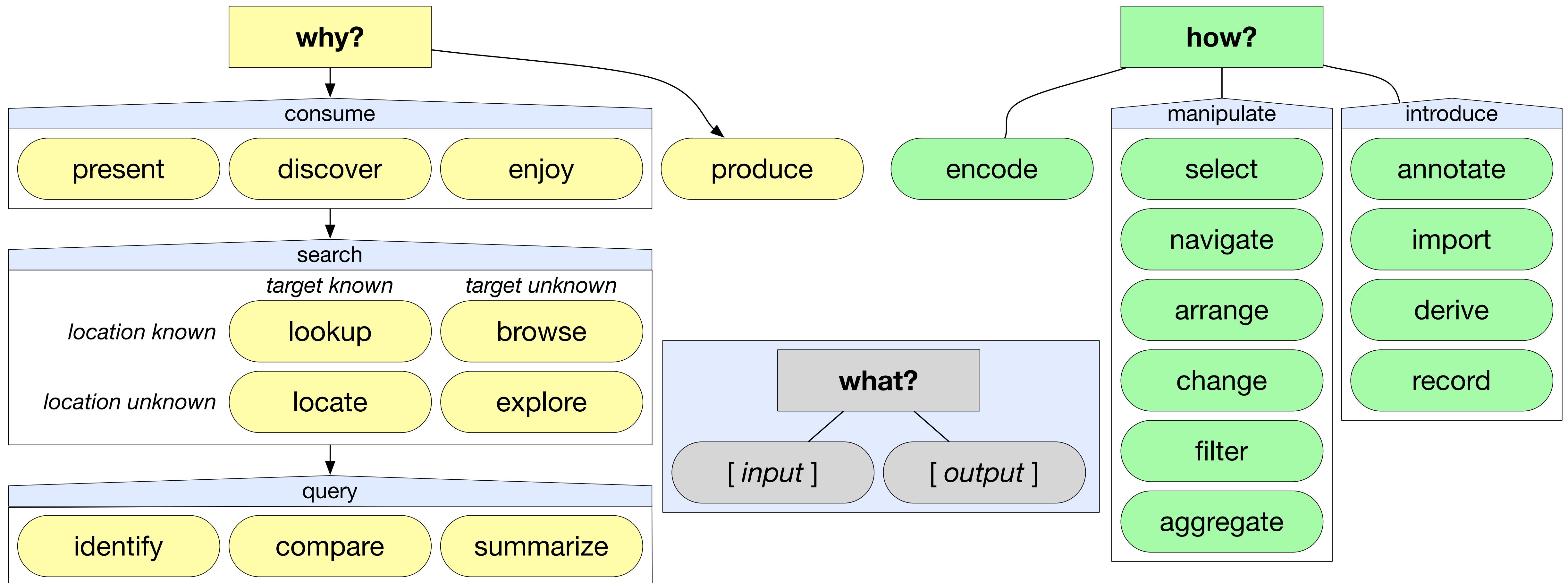
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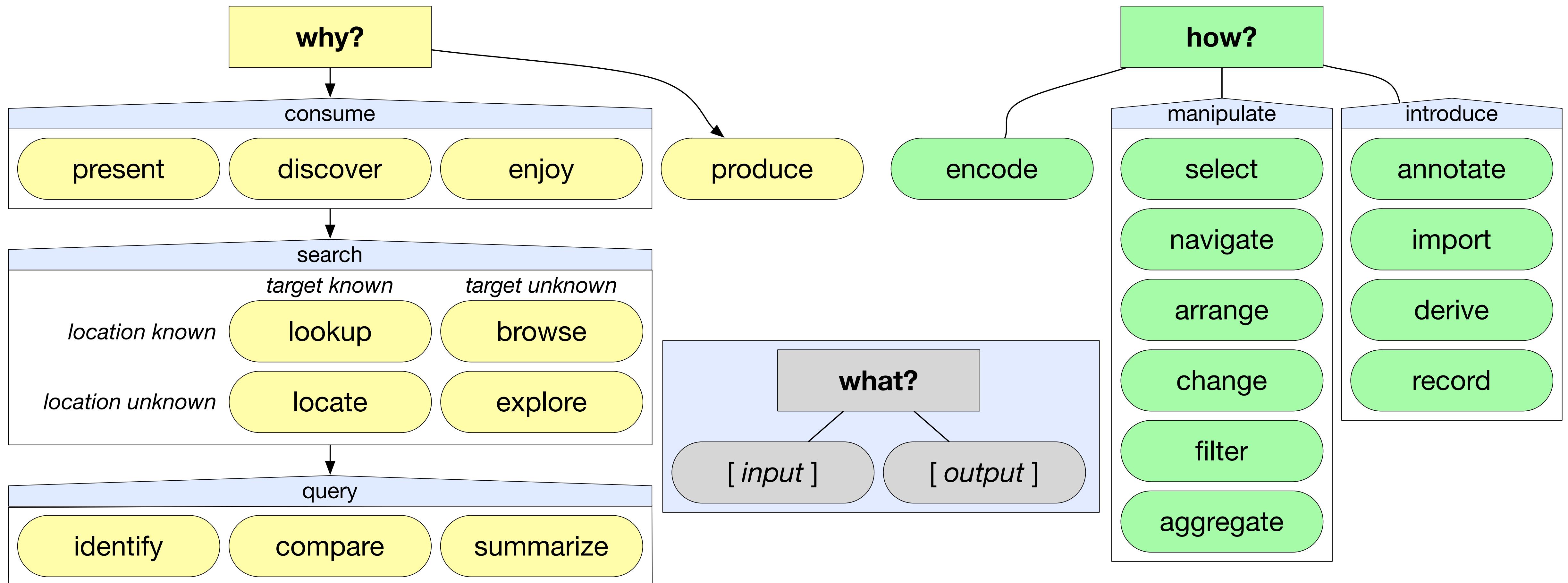
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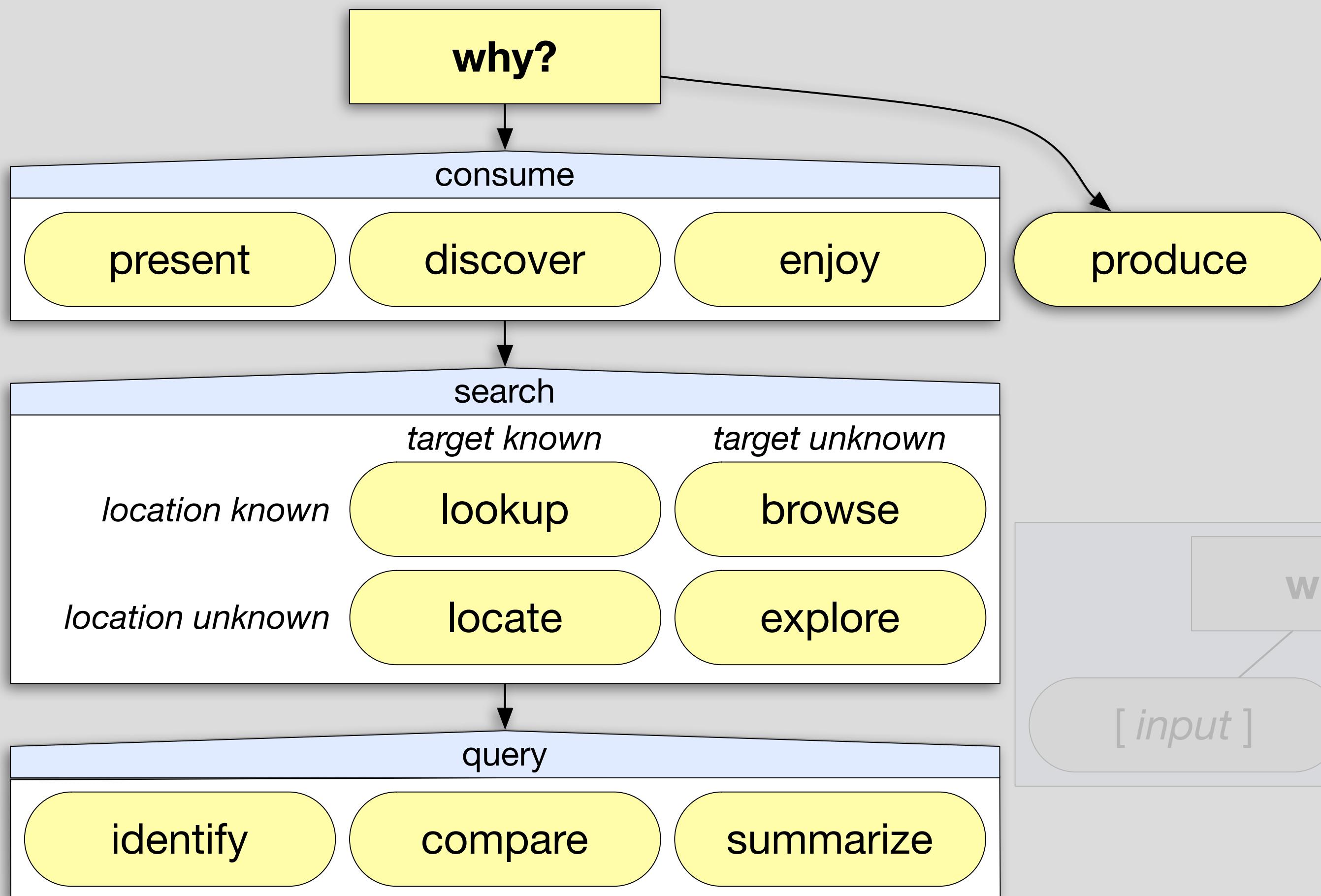
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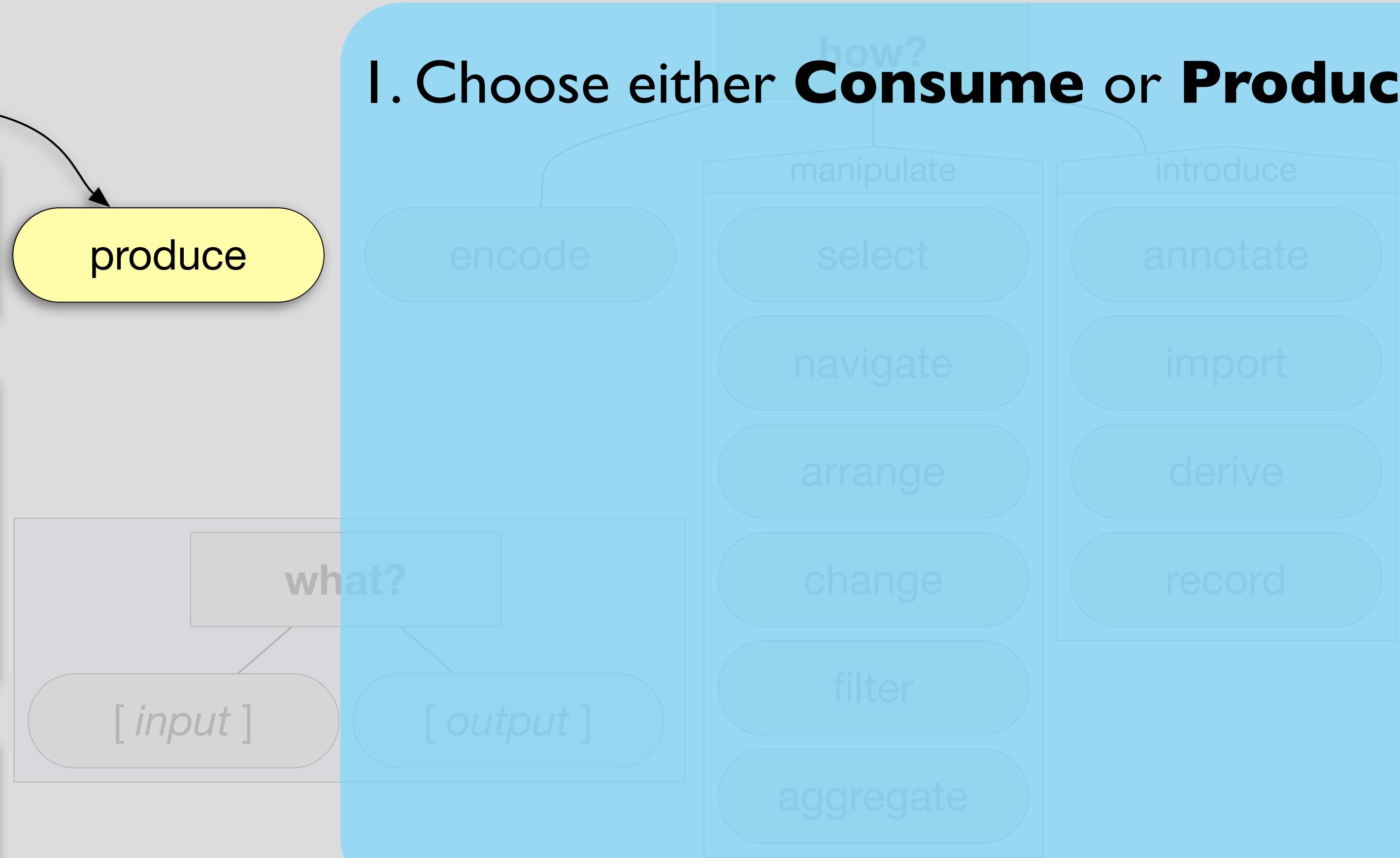


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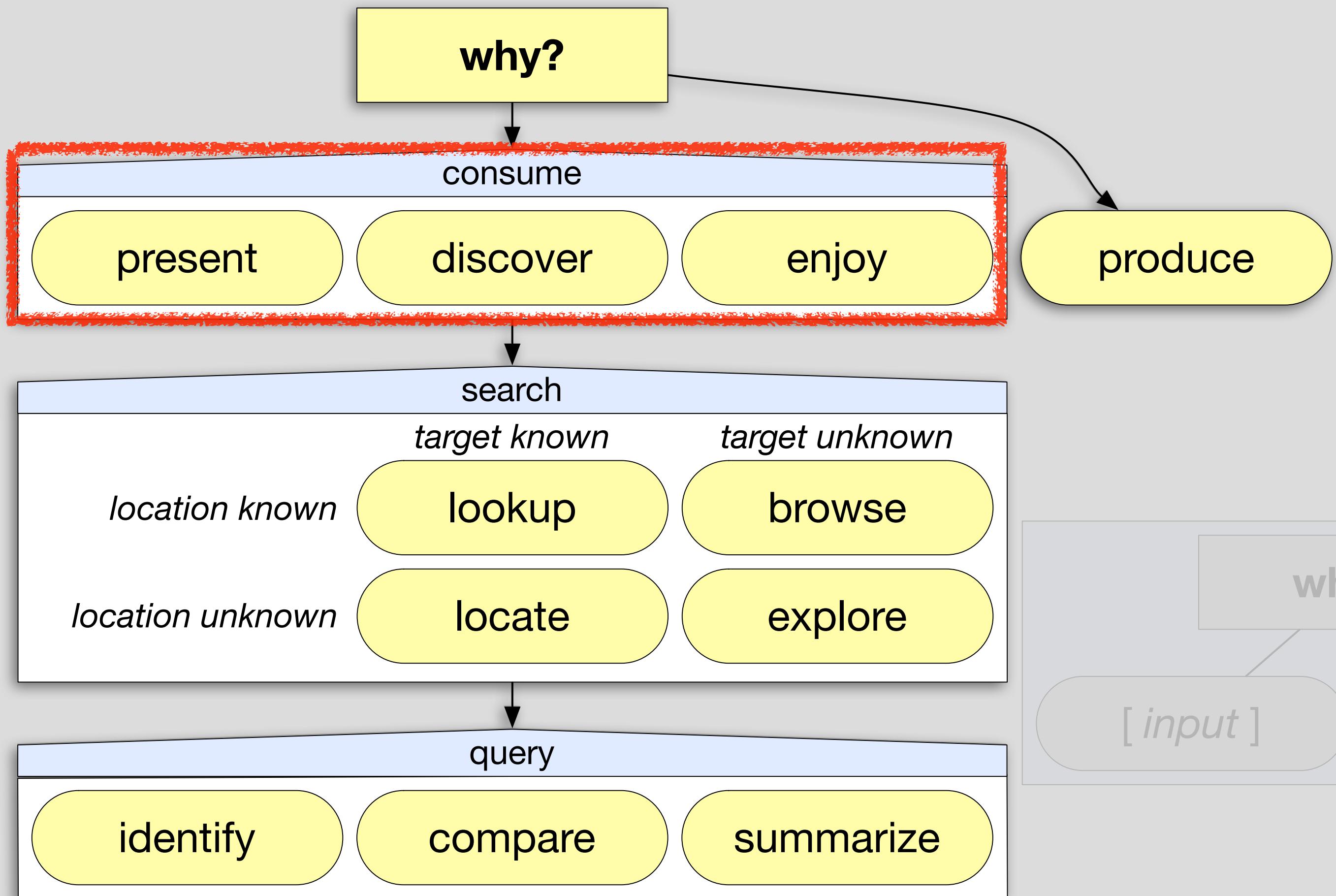


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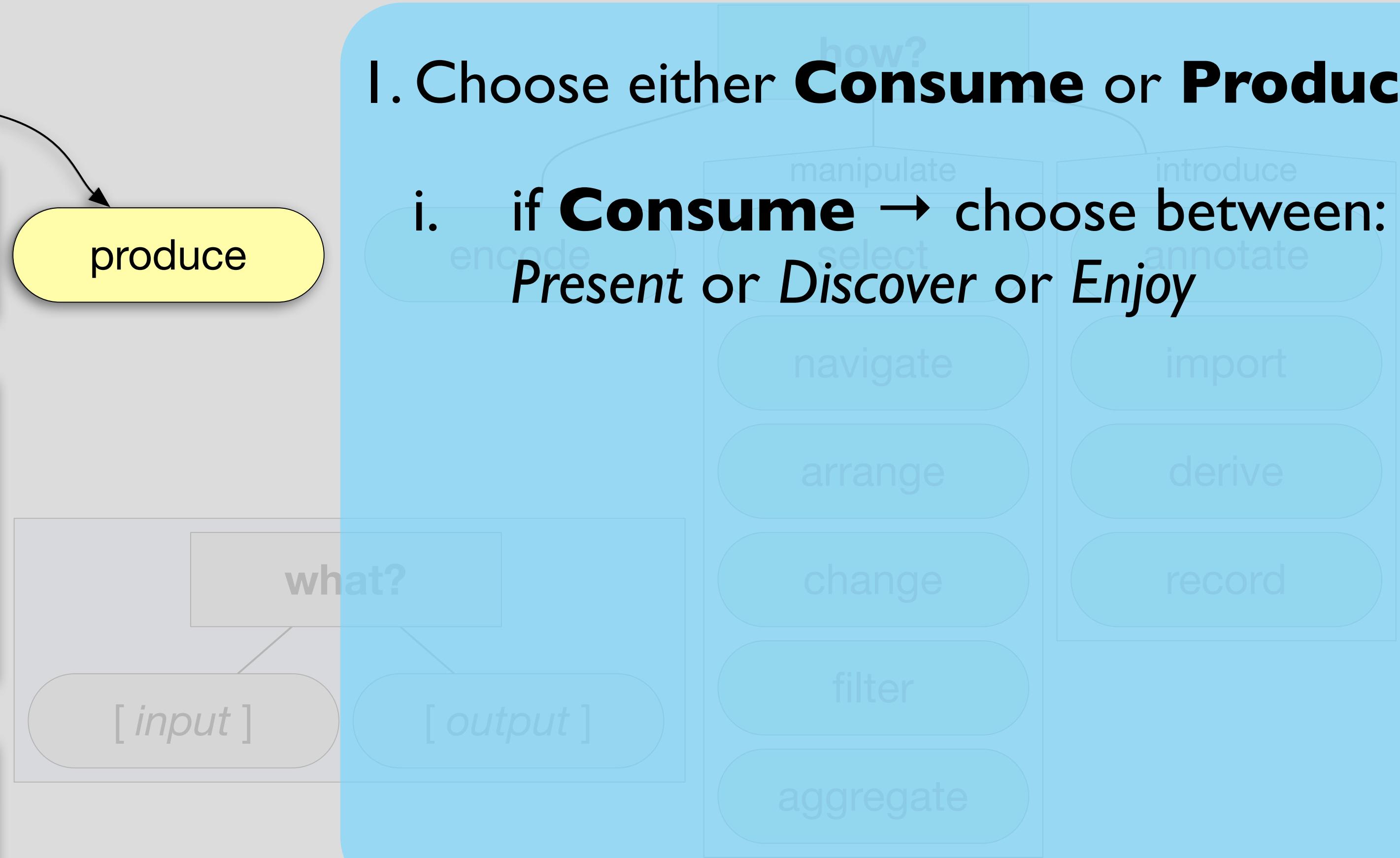
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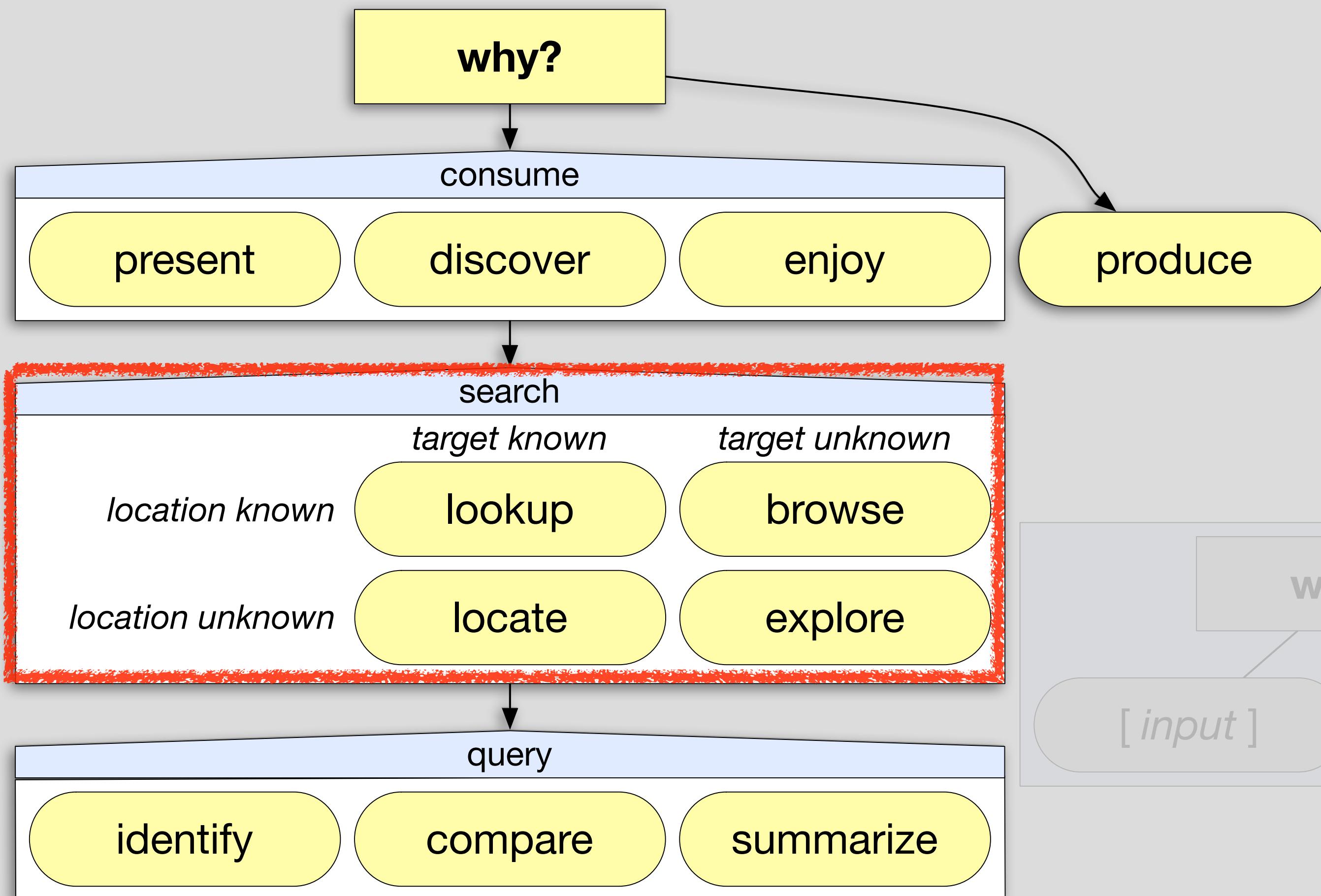
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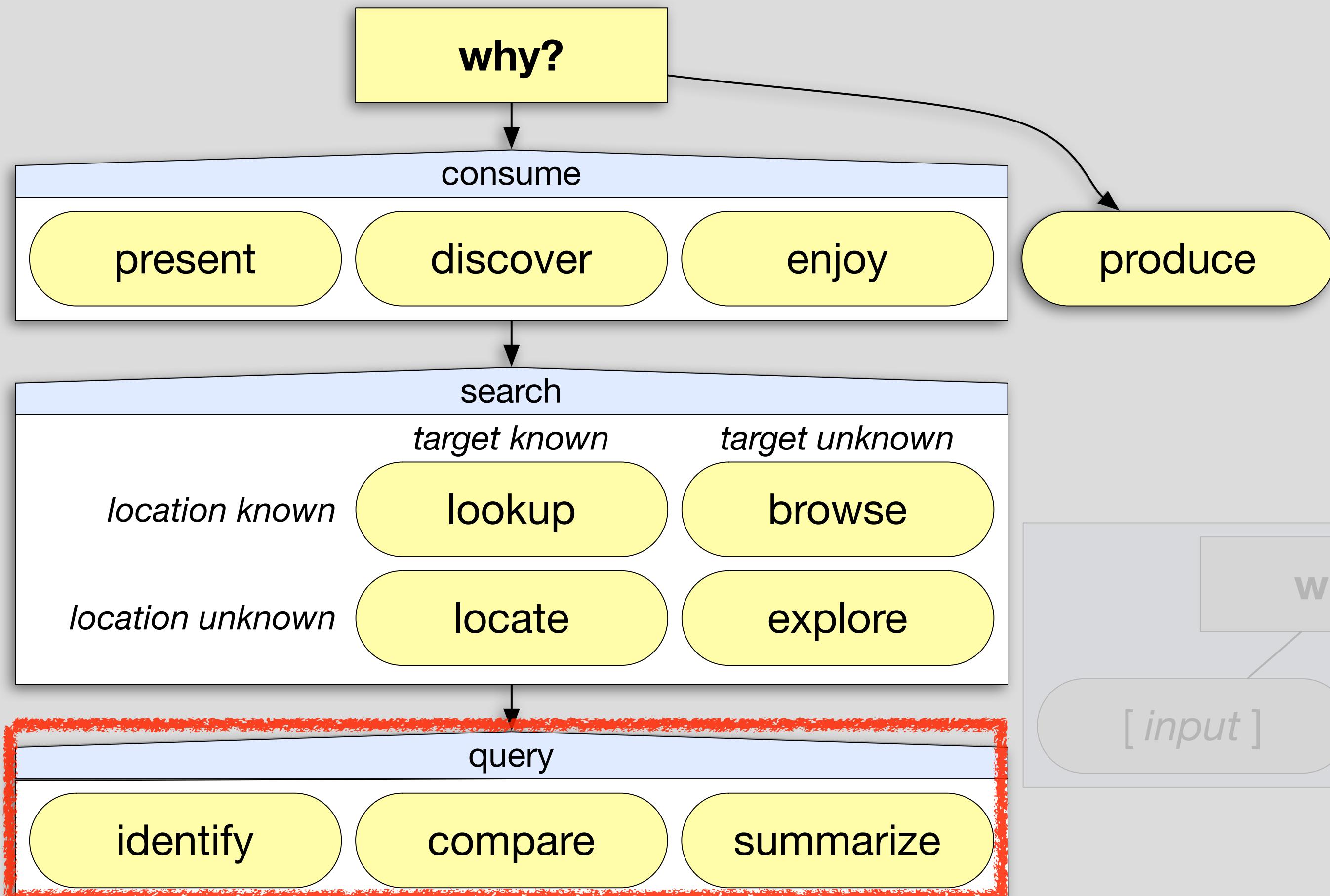
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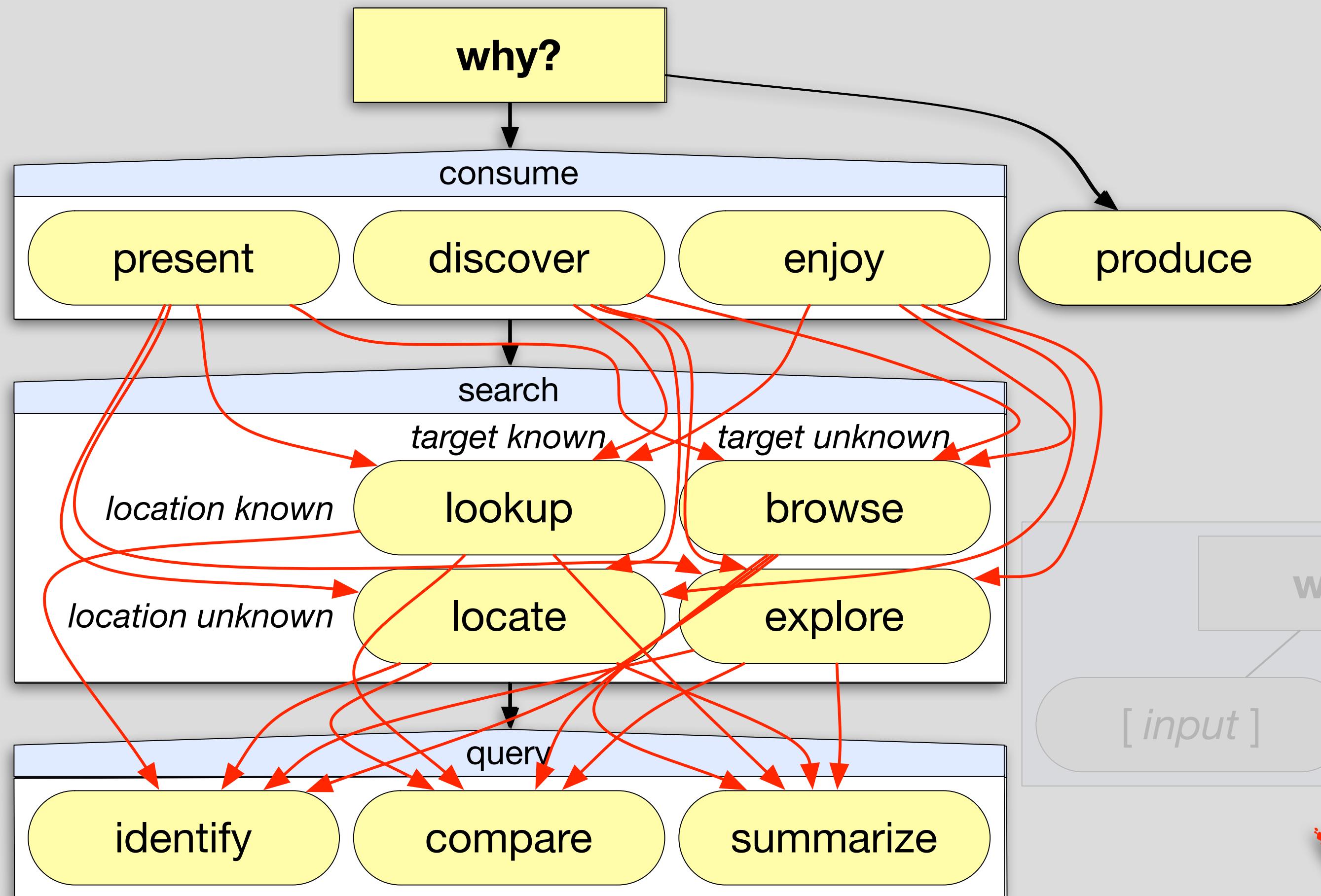
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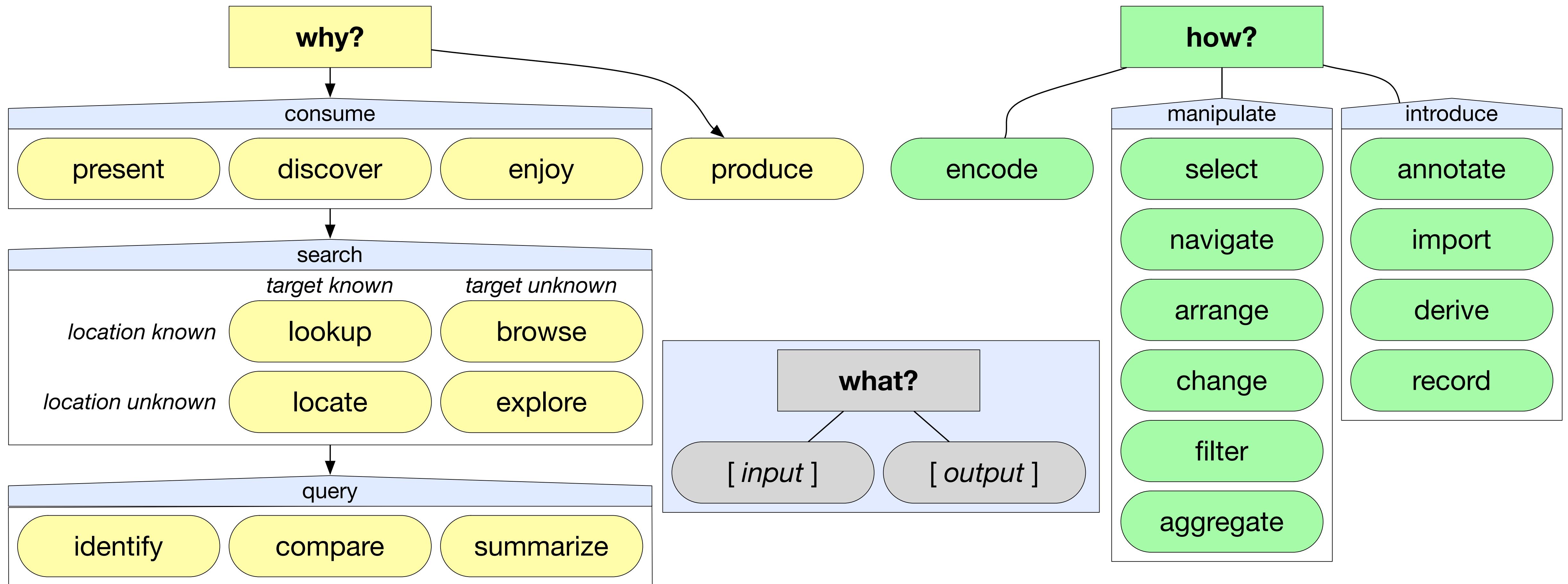
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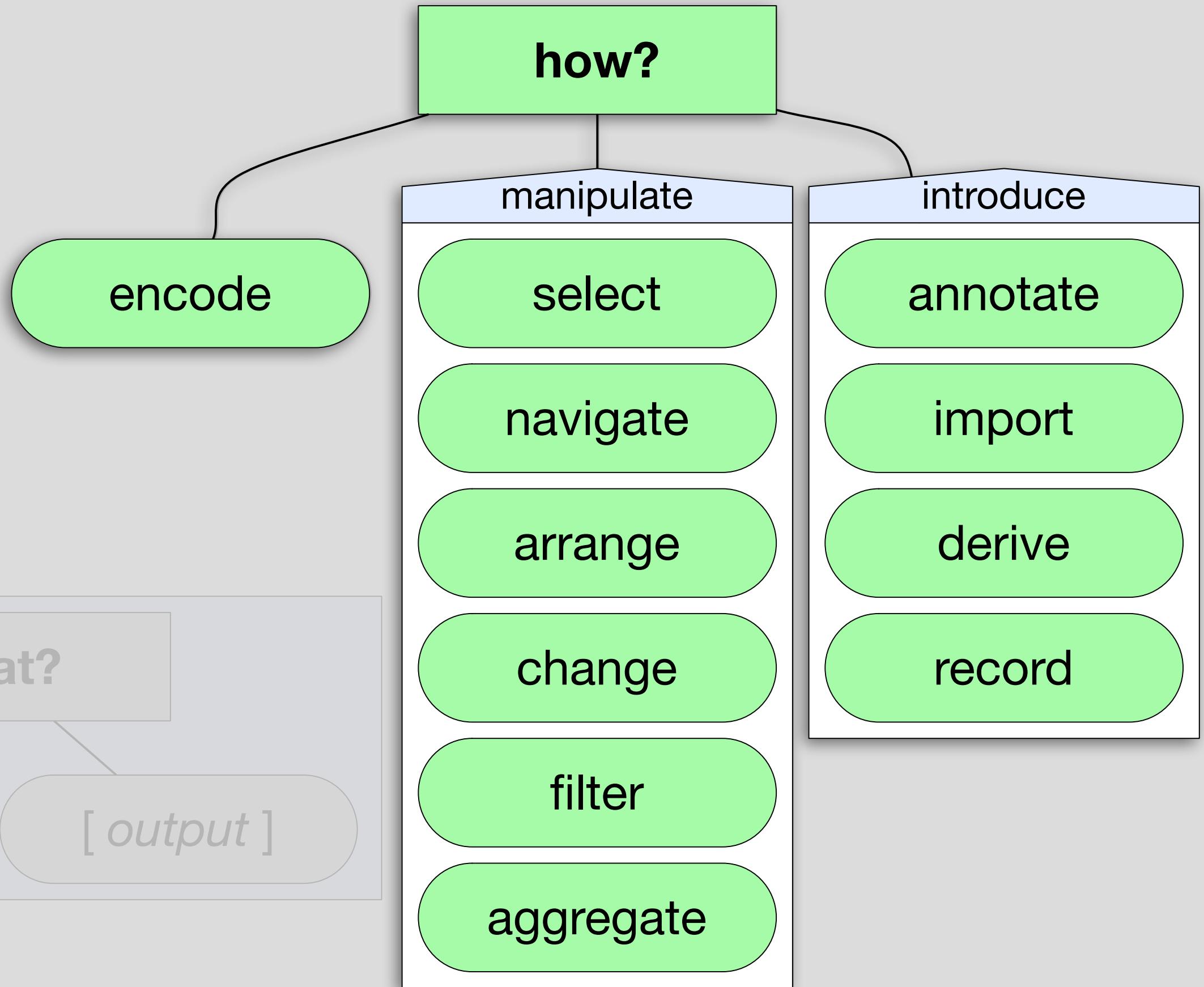
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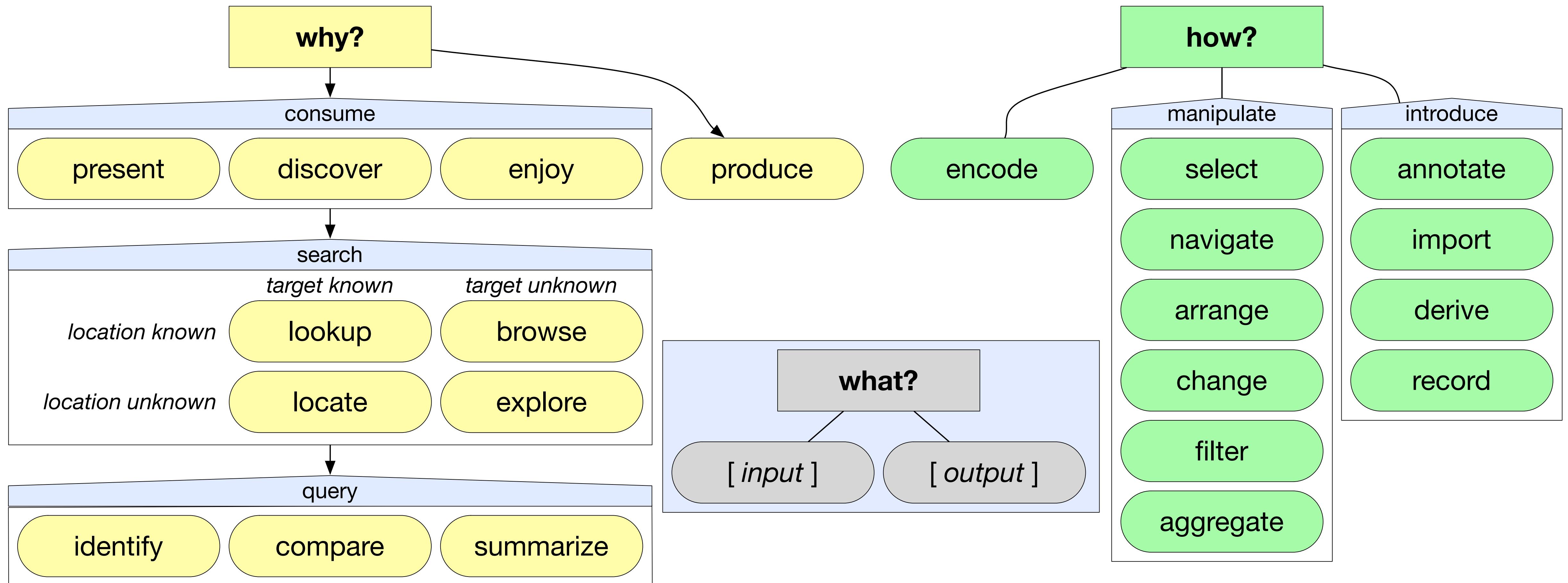
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2. Choose a combination of
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Manipulate and / or
Introduce methods



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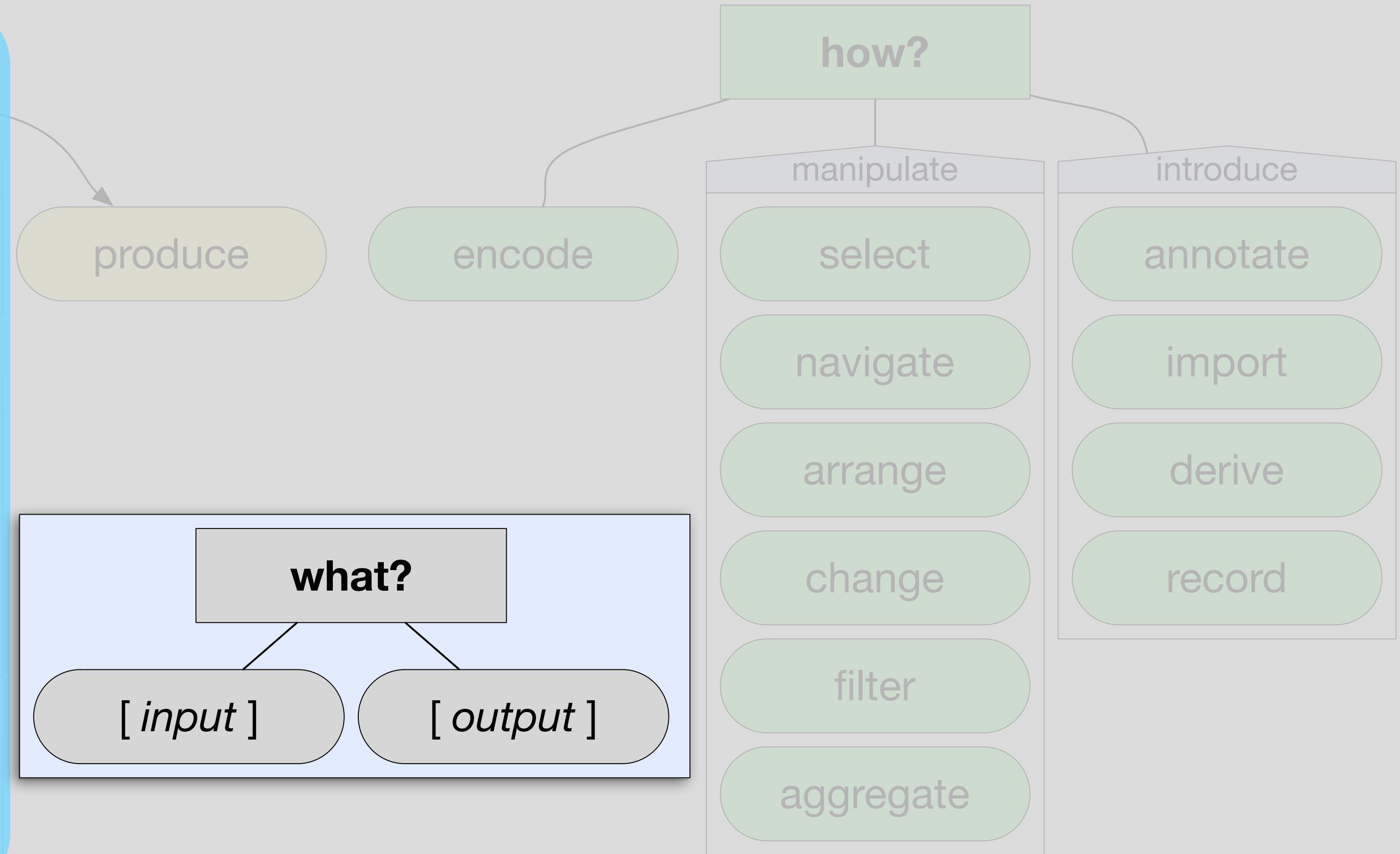
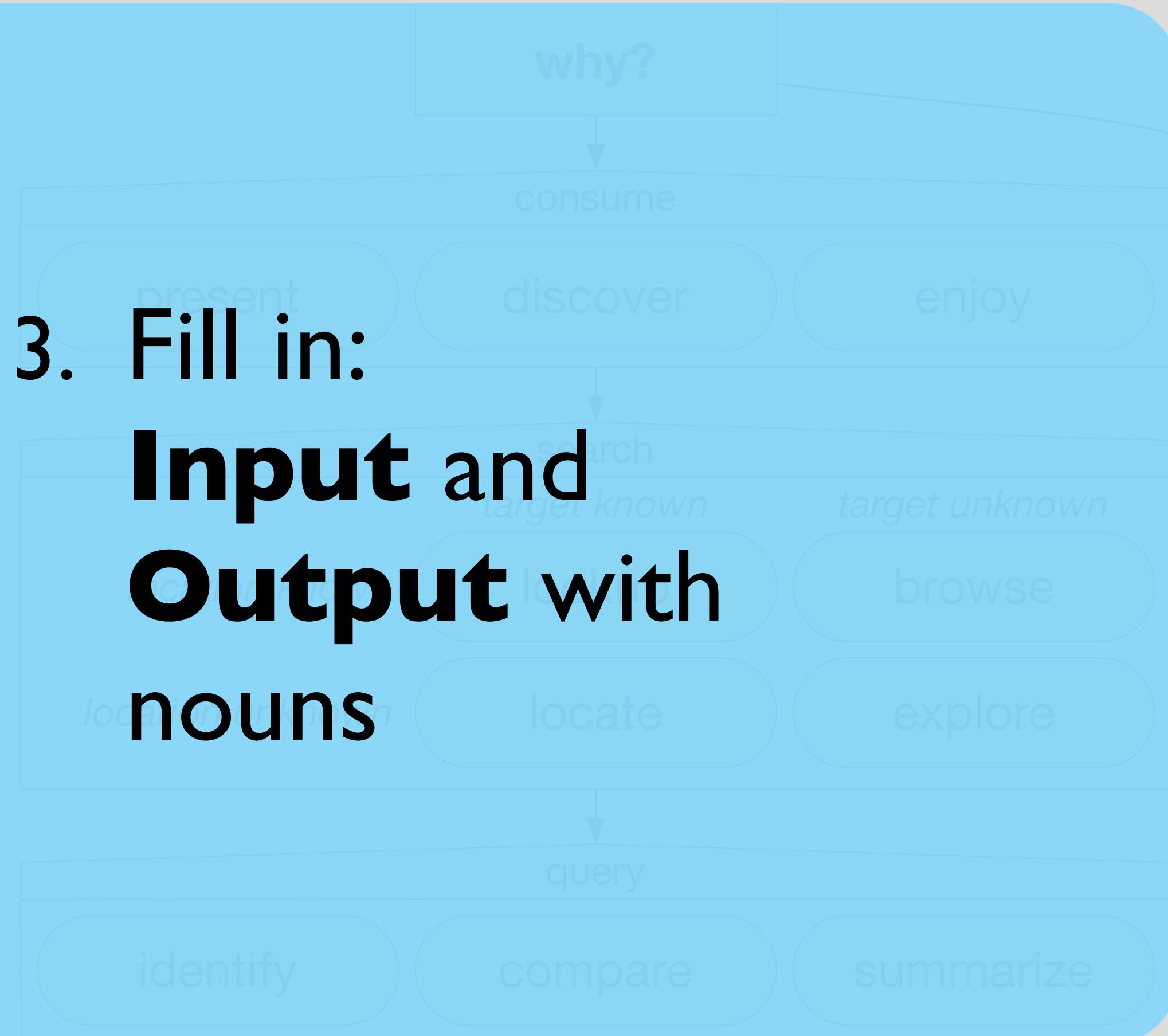
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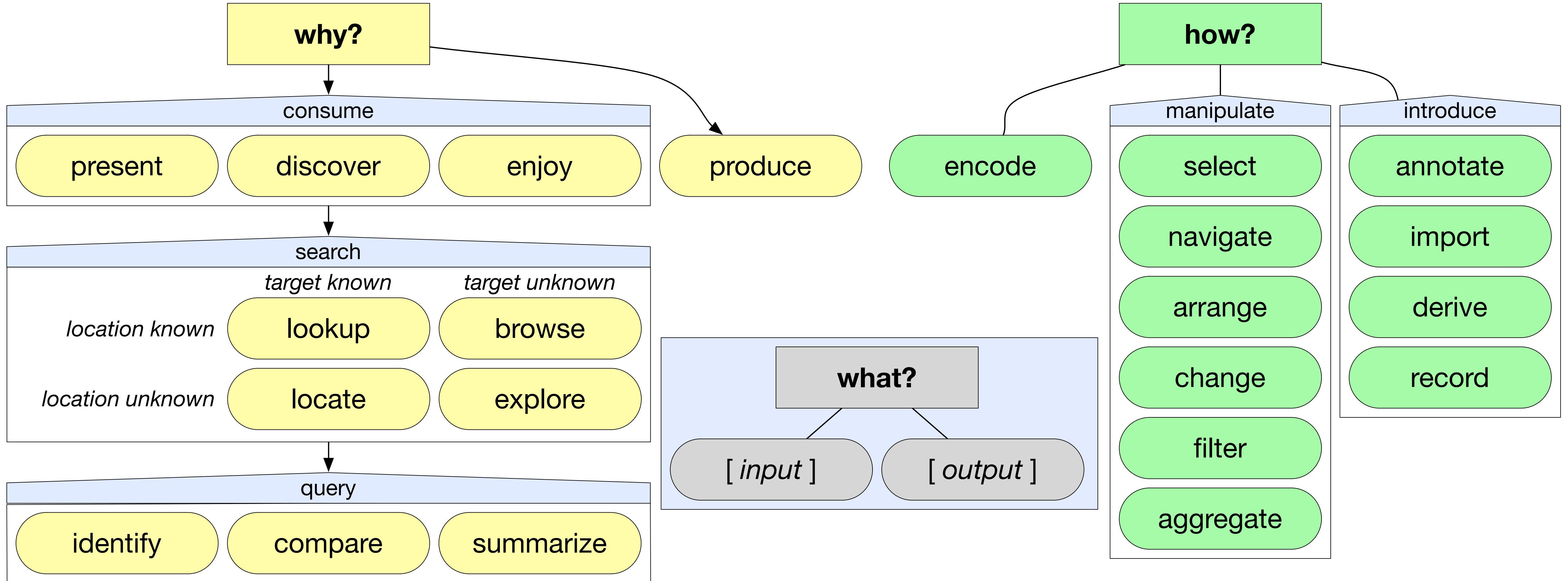
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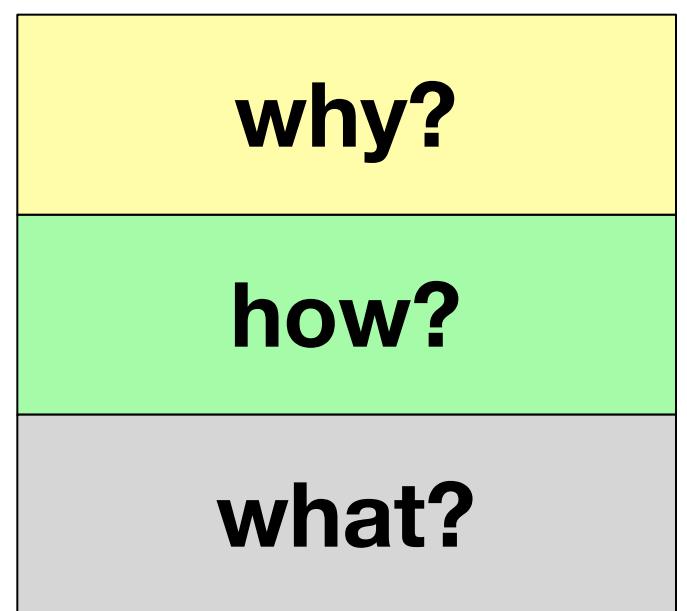
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Why: choose from alternatives. **What:** fill in *Input* and *Output*. **How:** choose combination.





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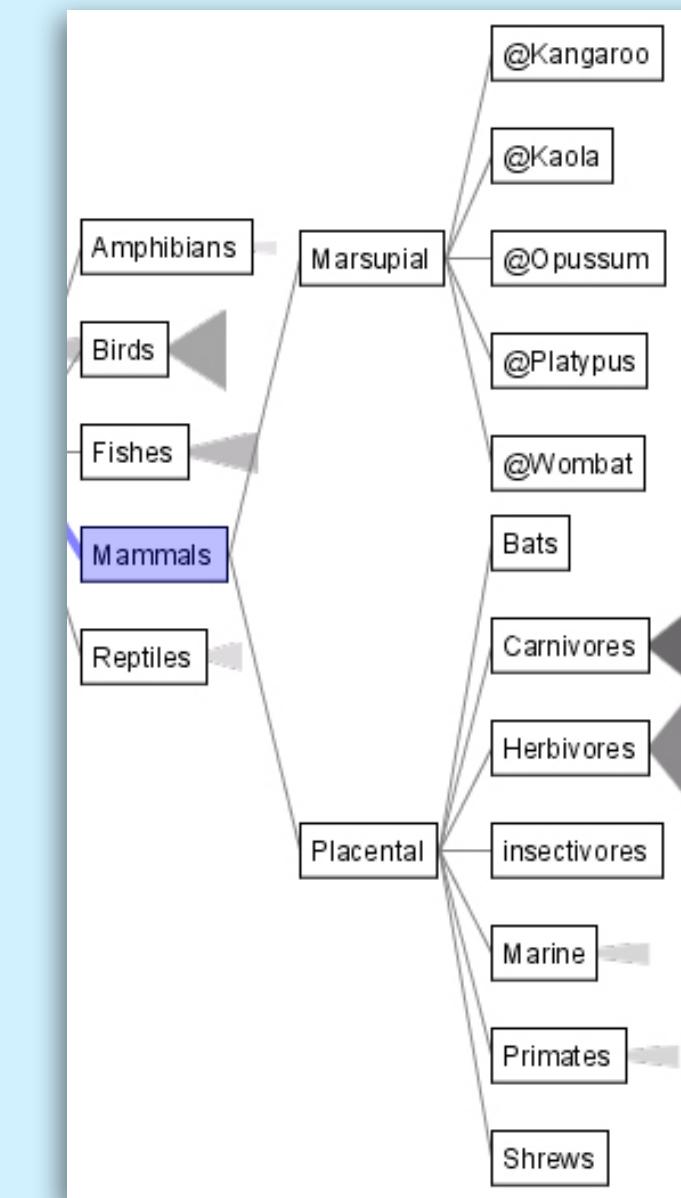
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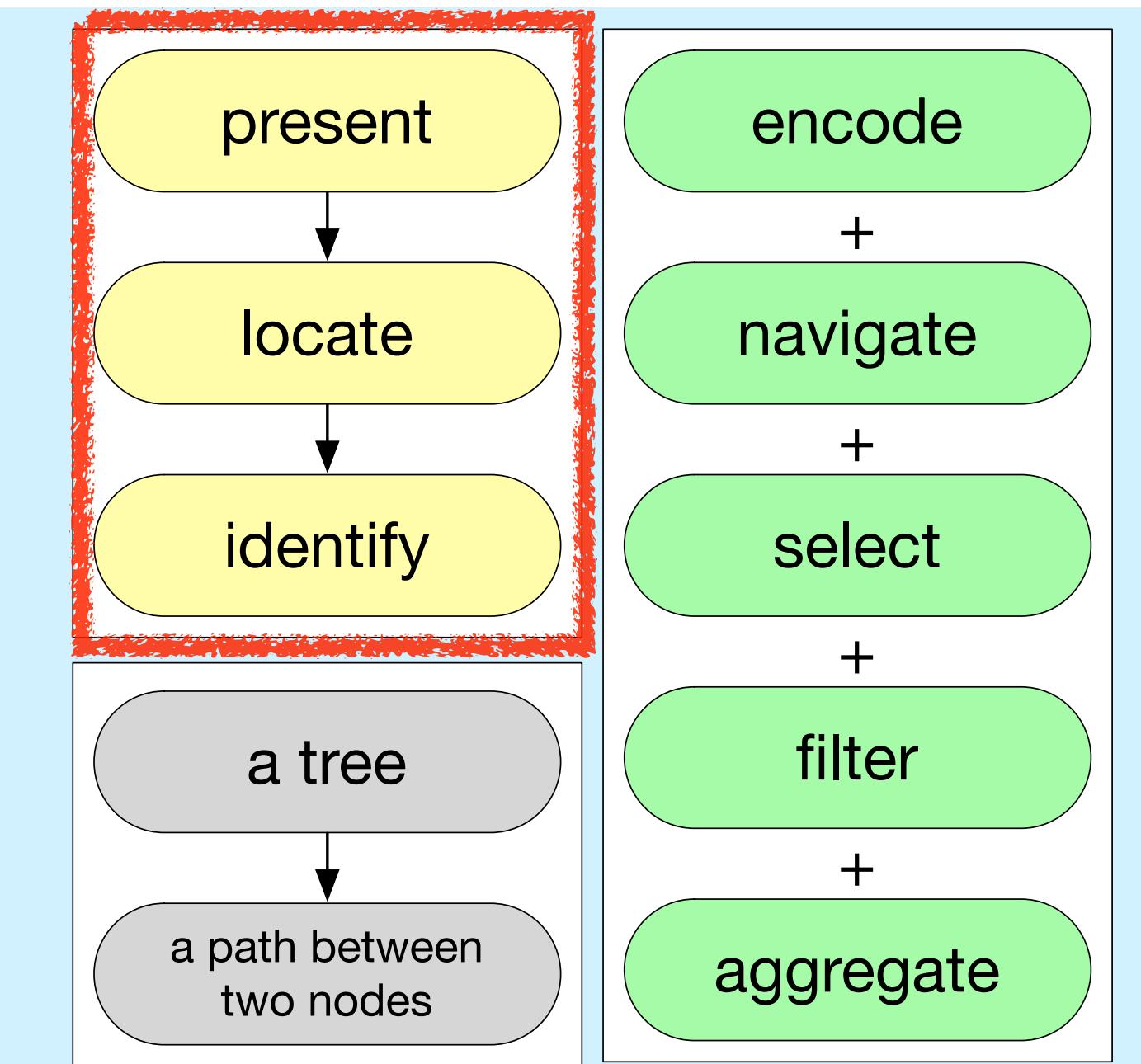
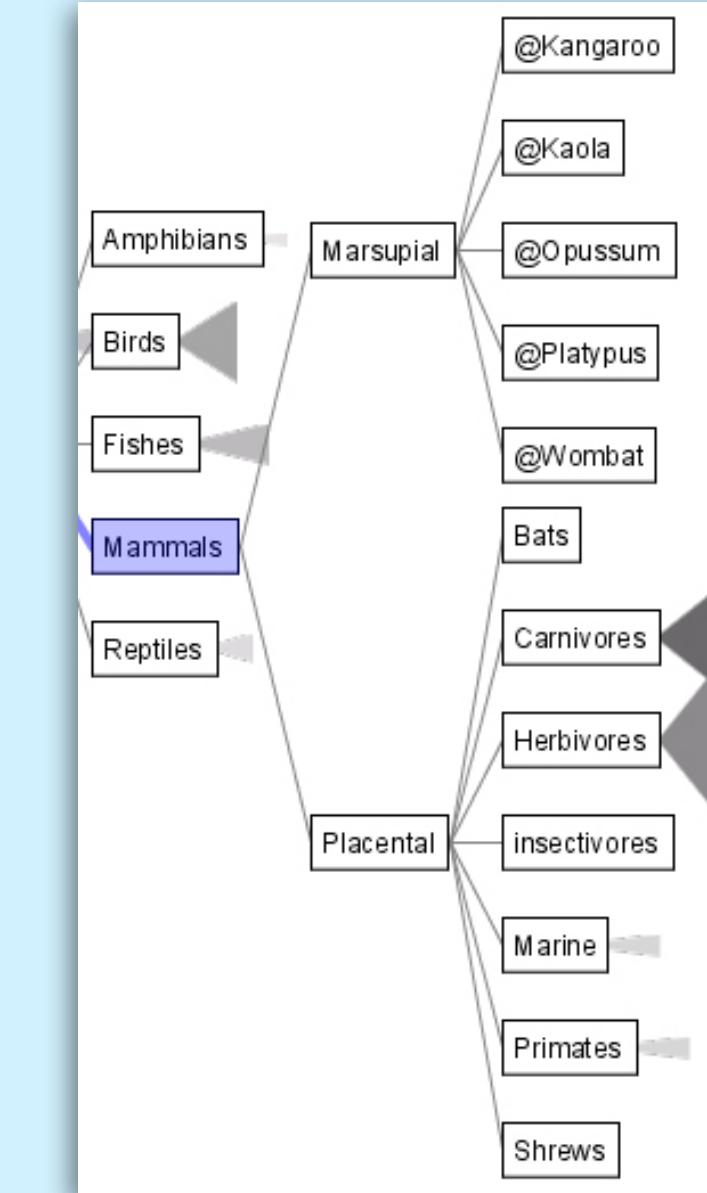
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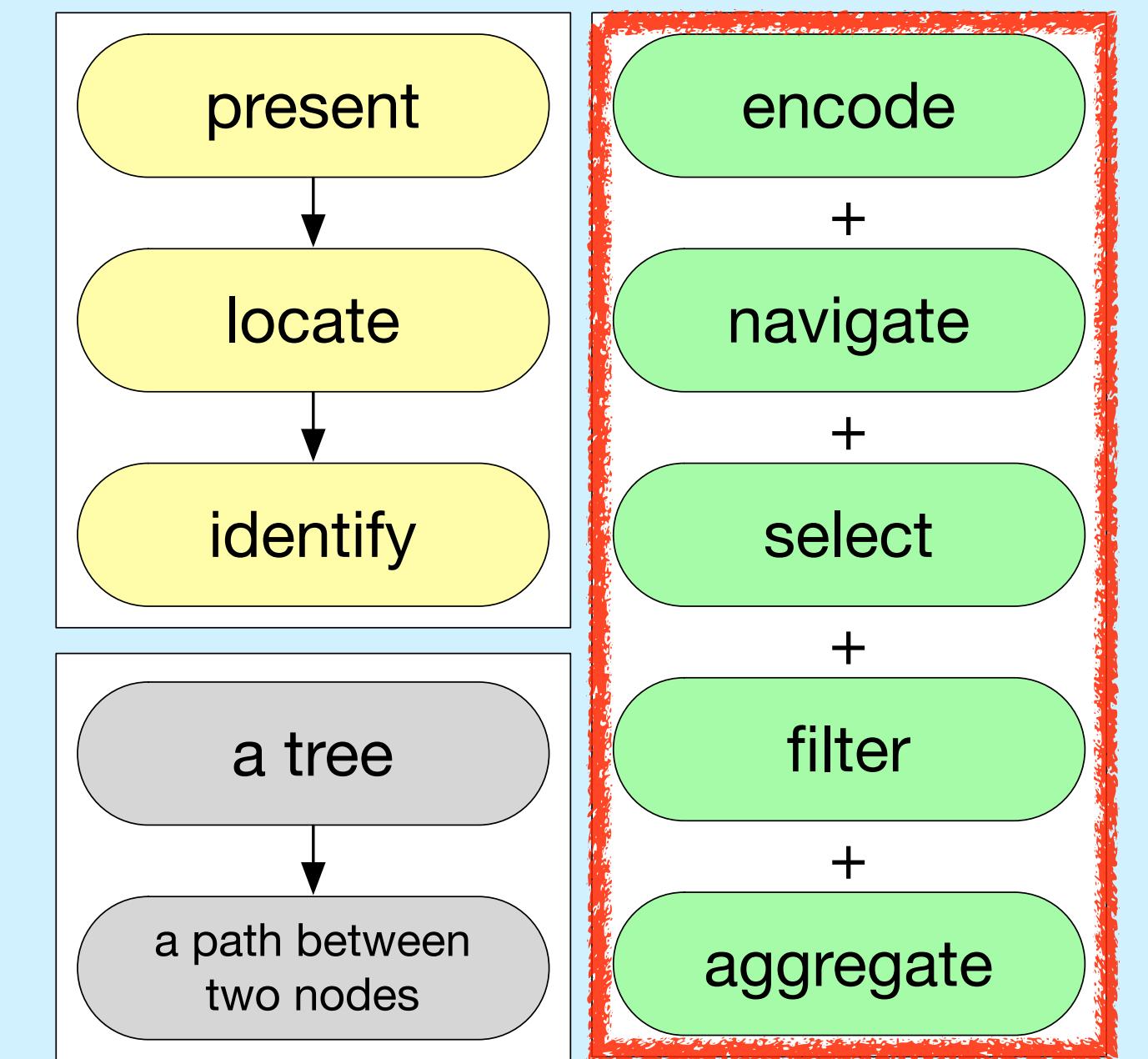
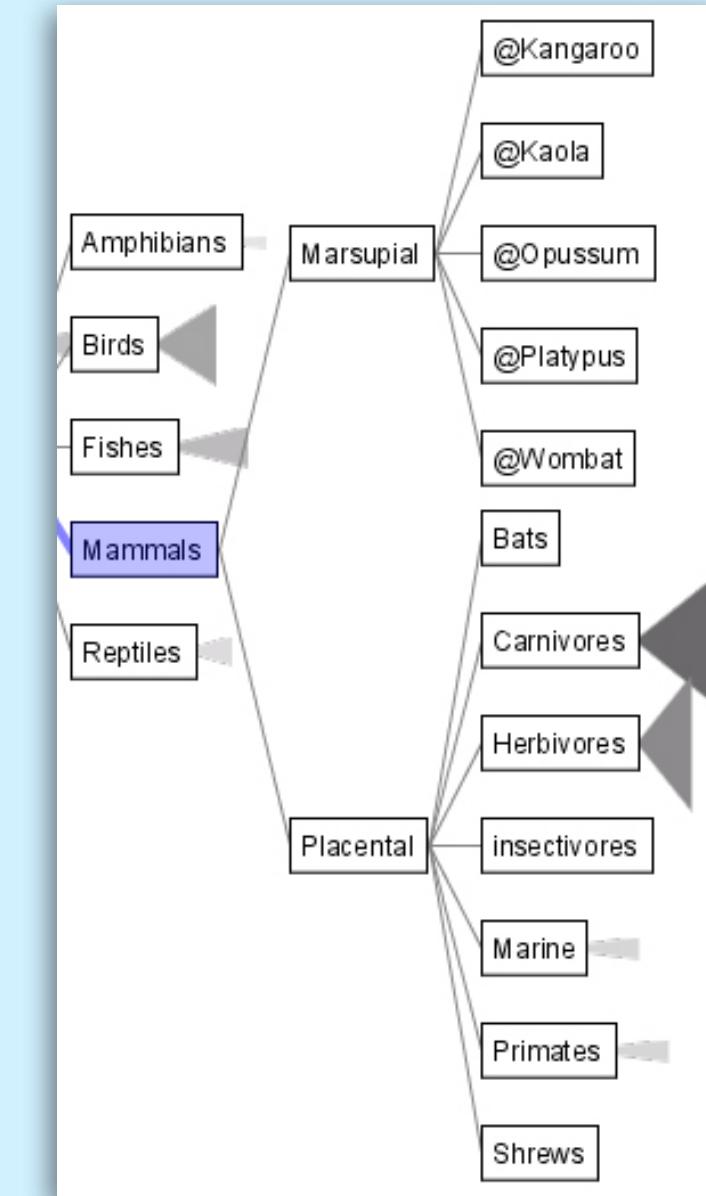
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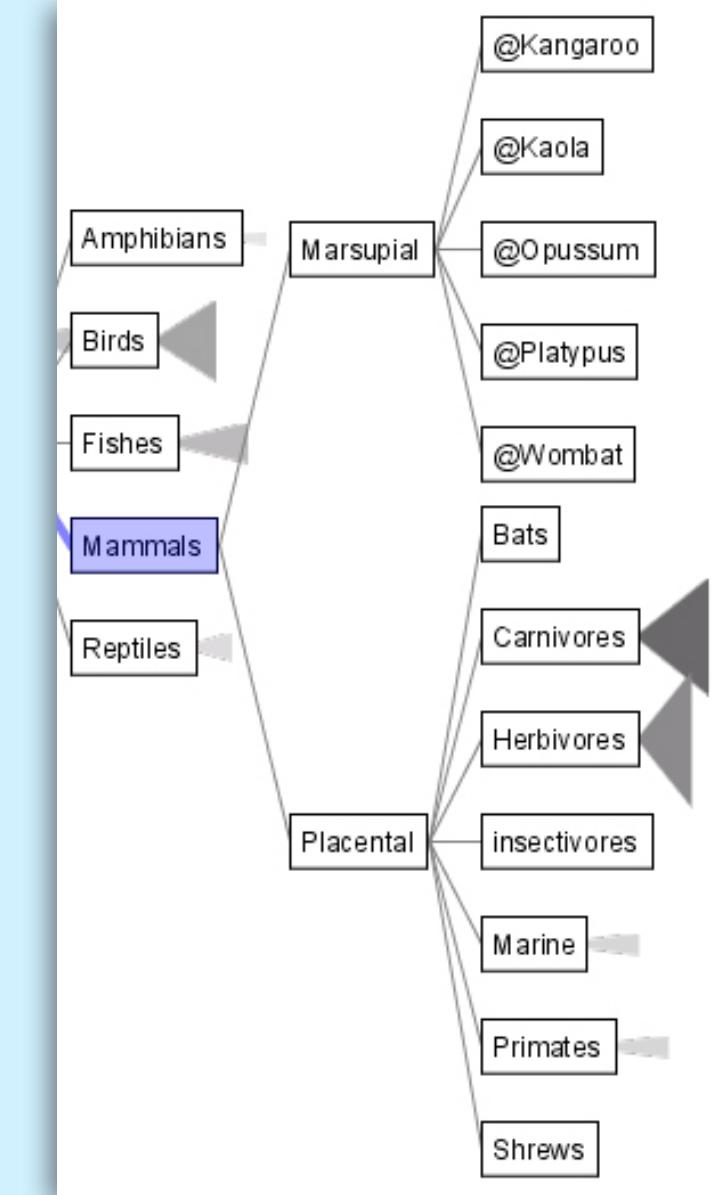


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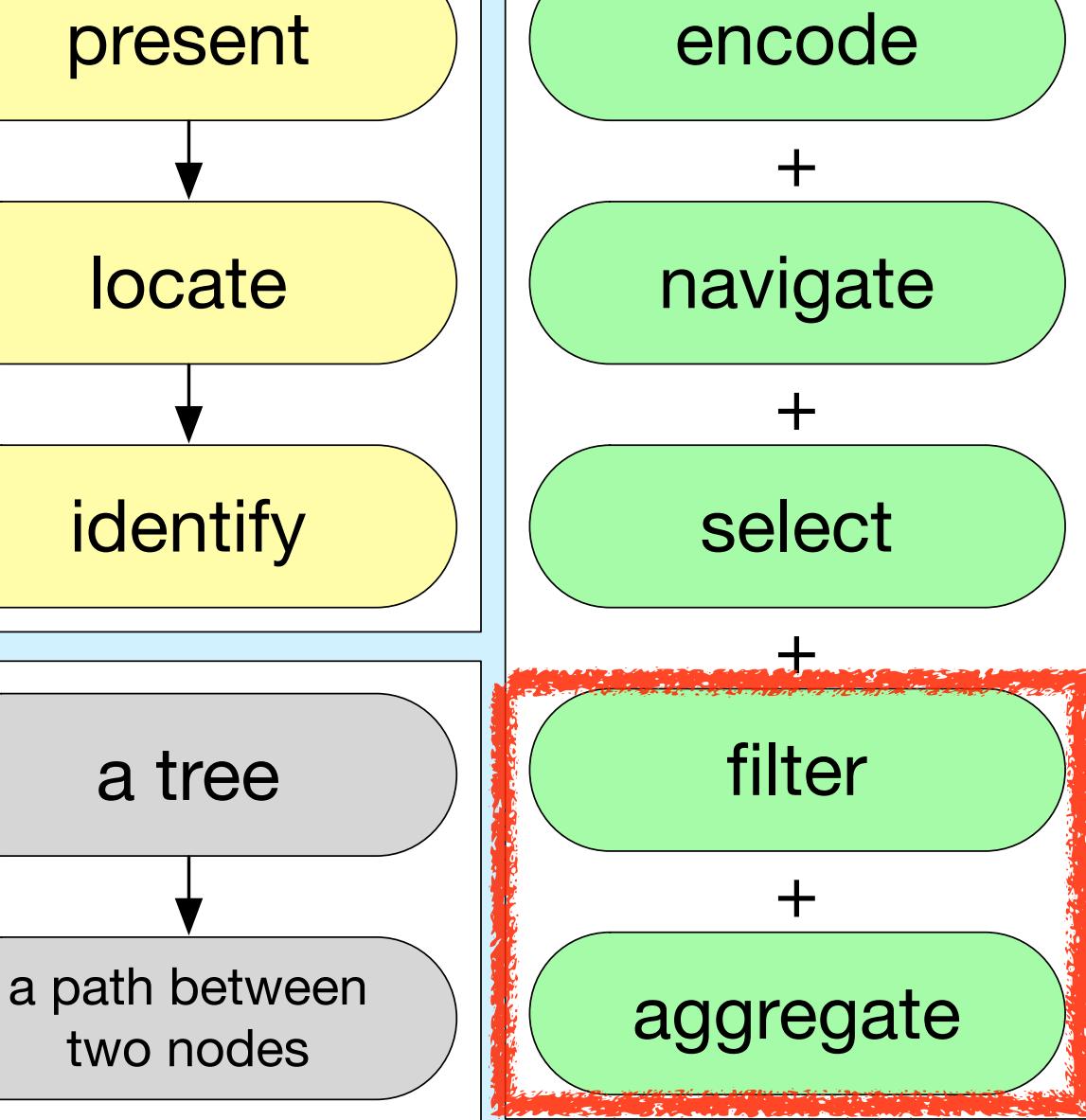
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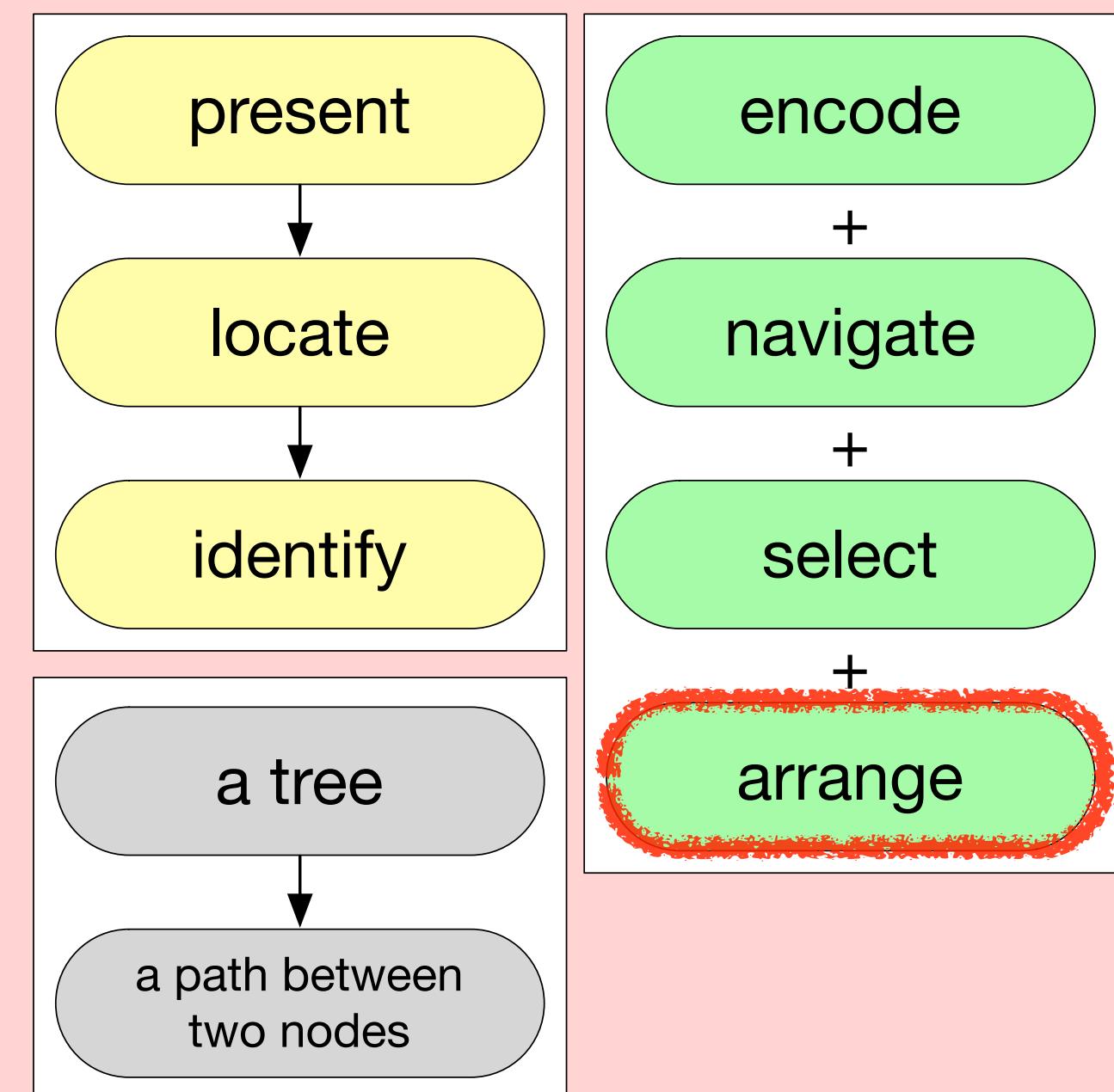
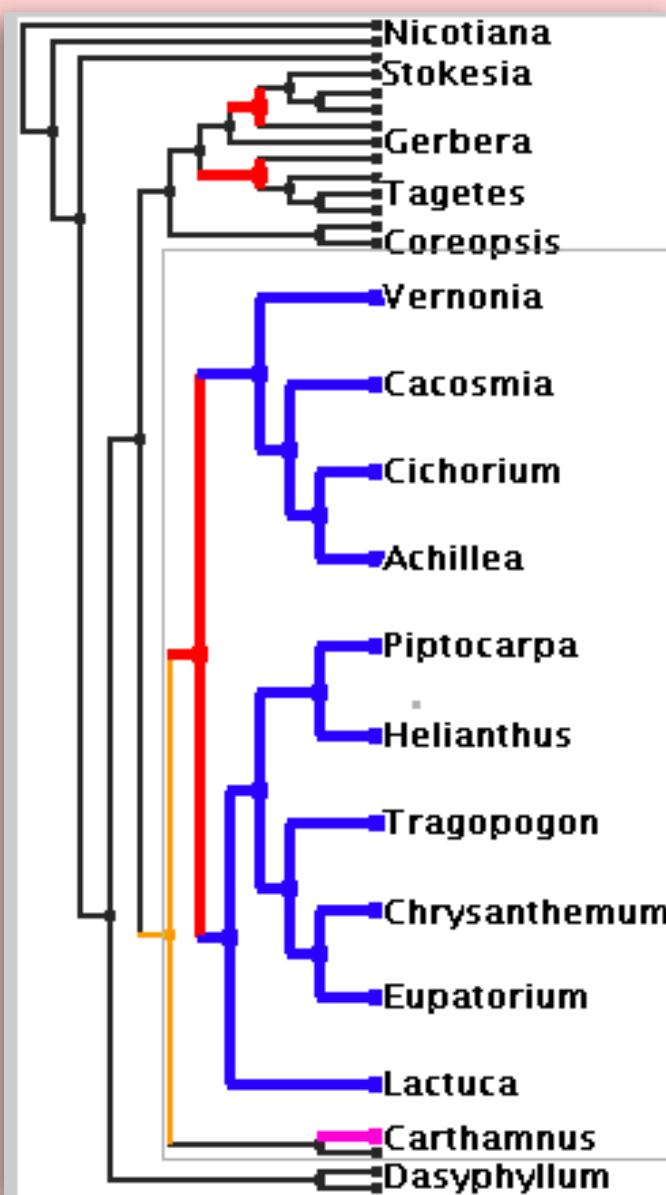
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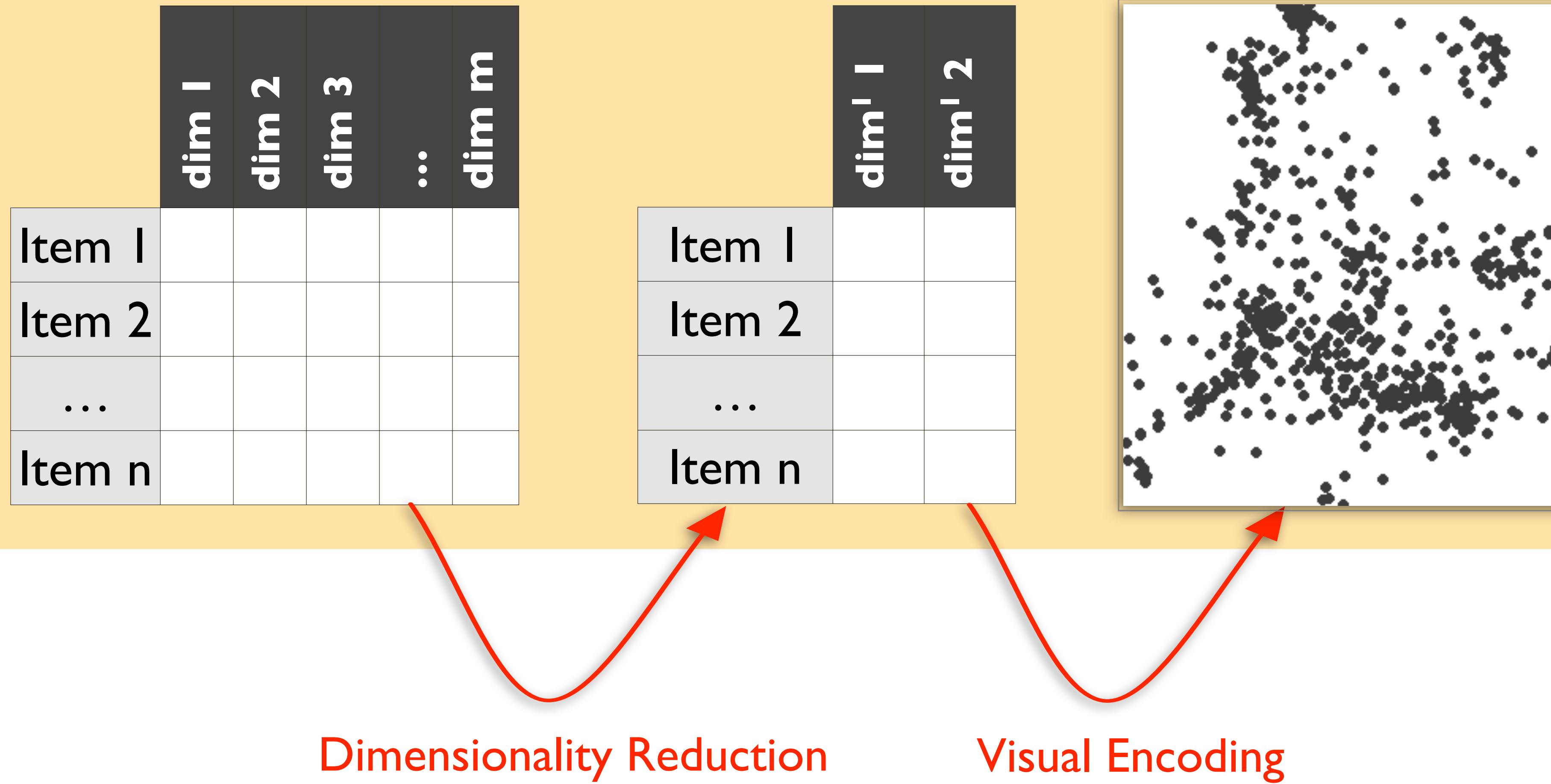
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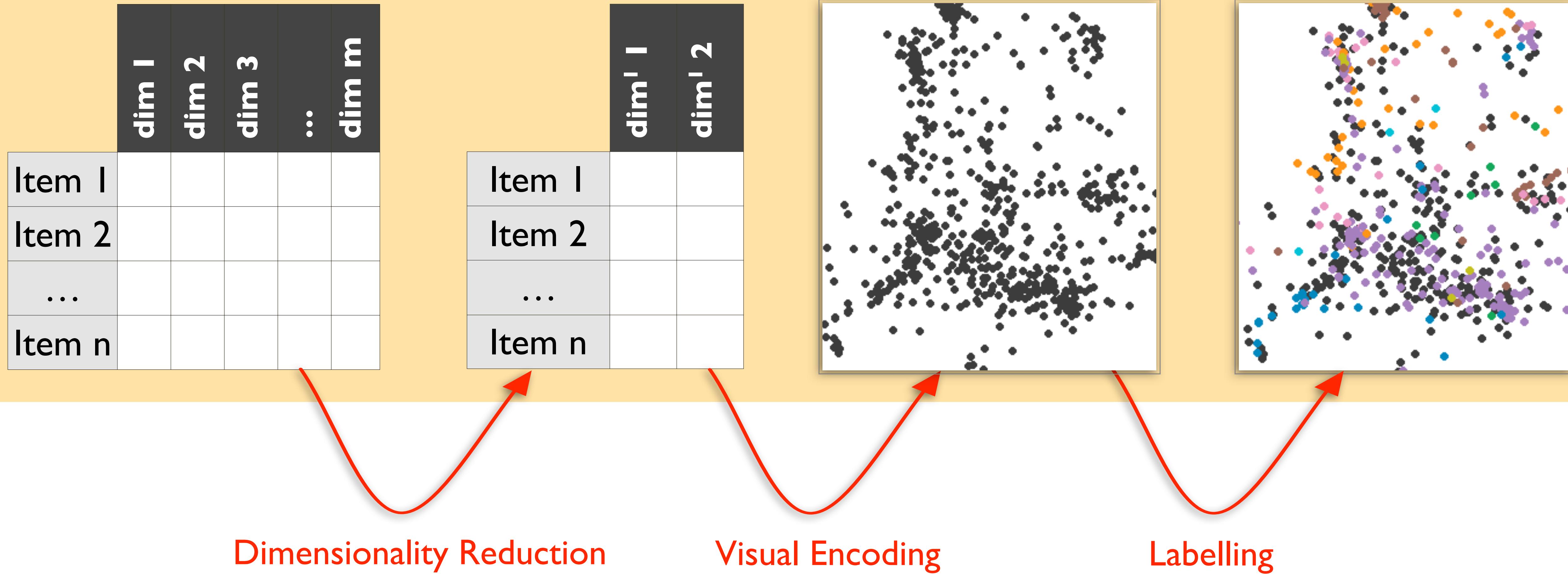
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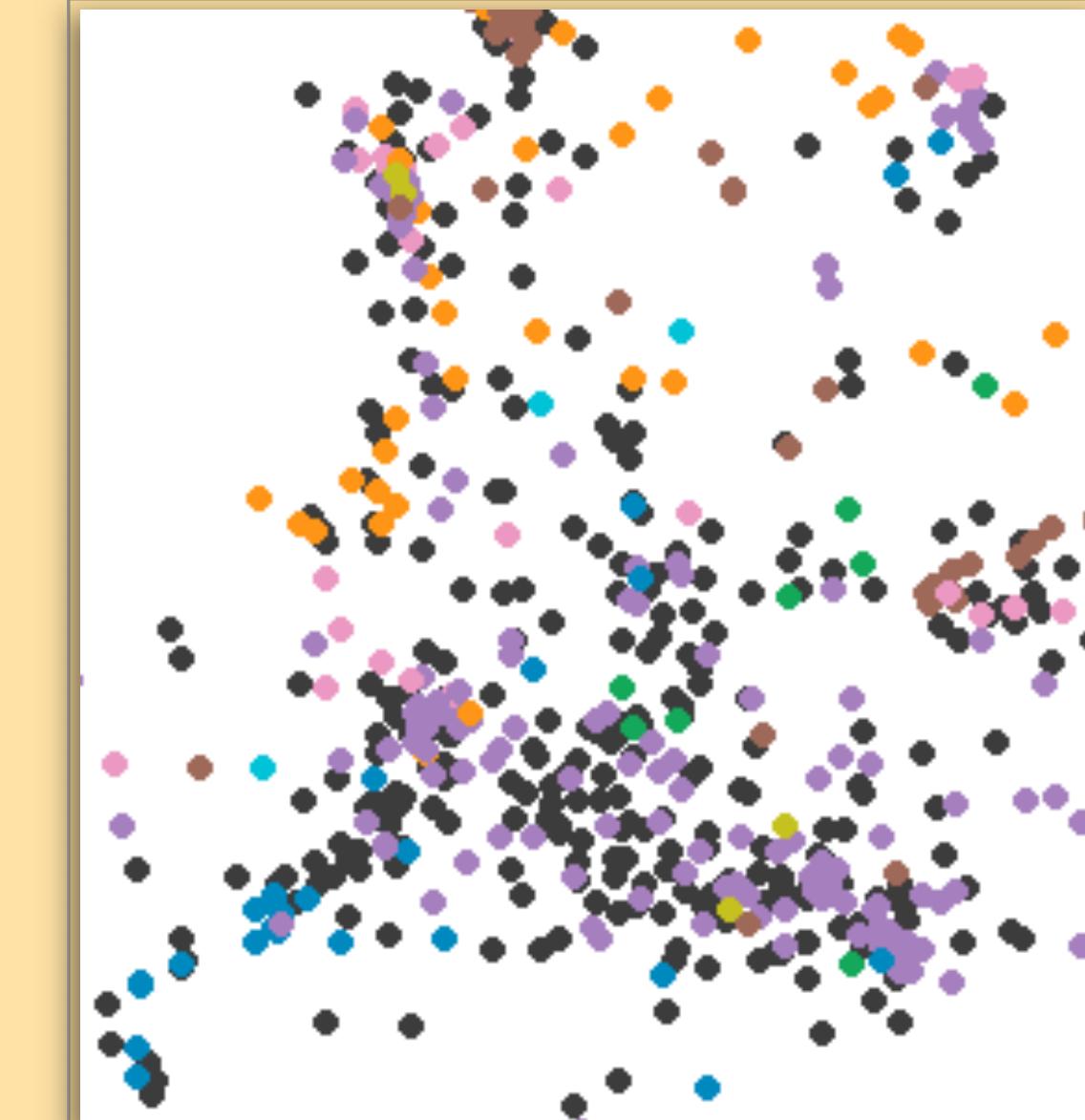
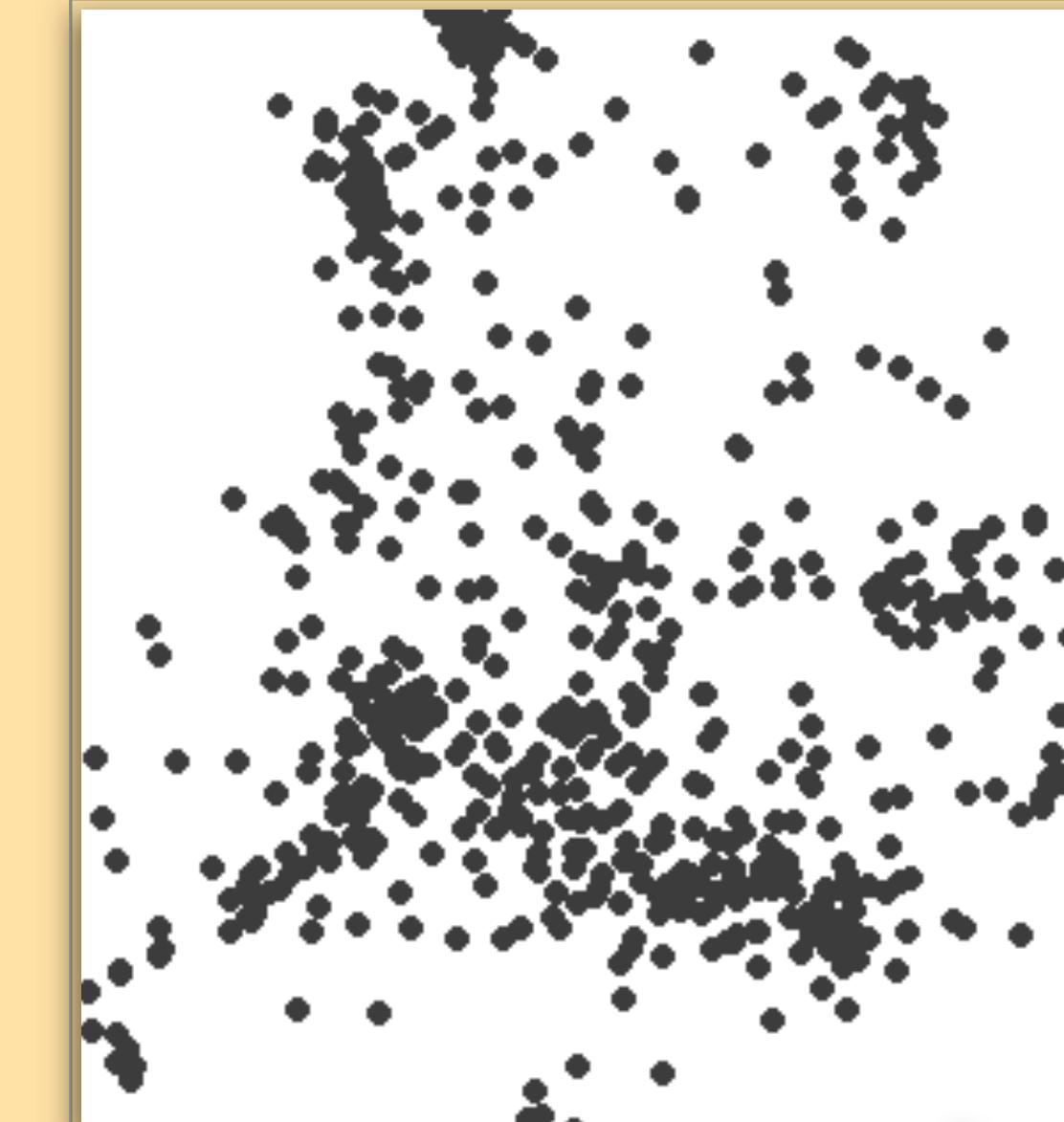


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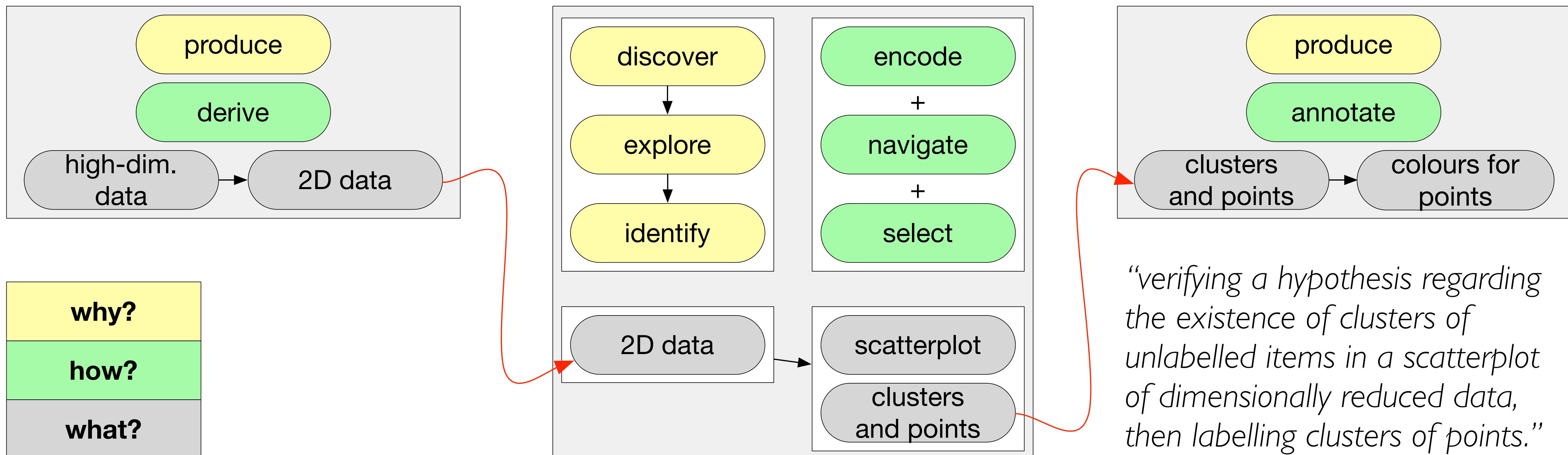
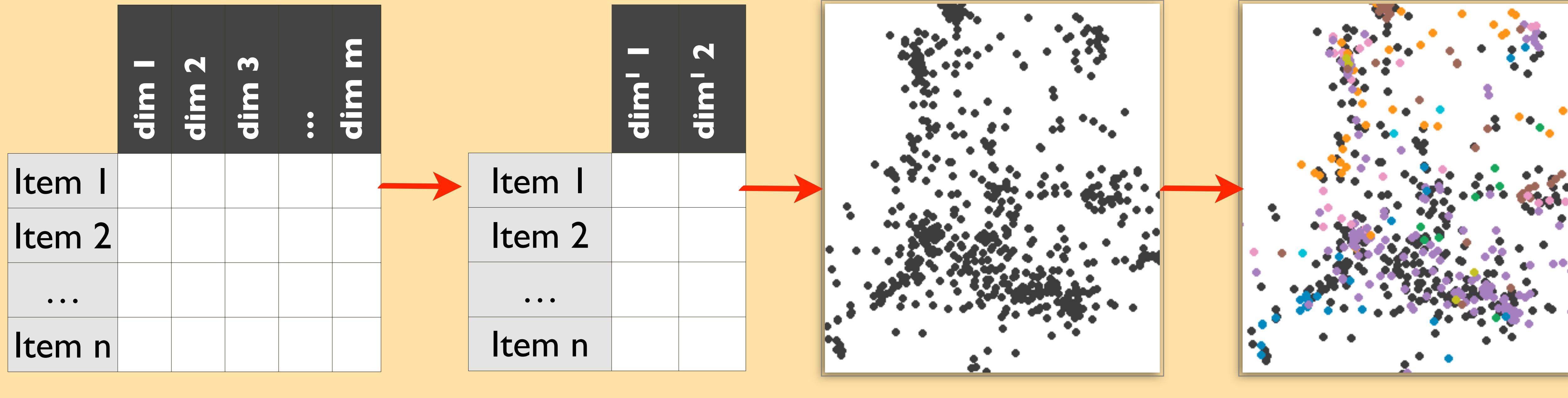
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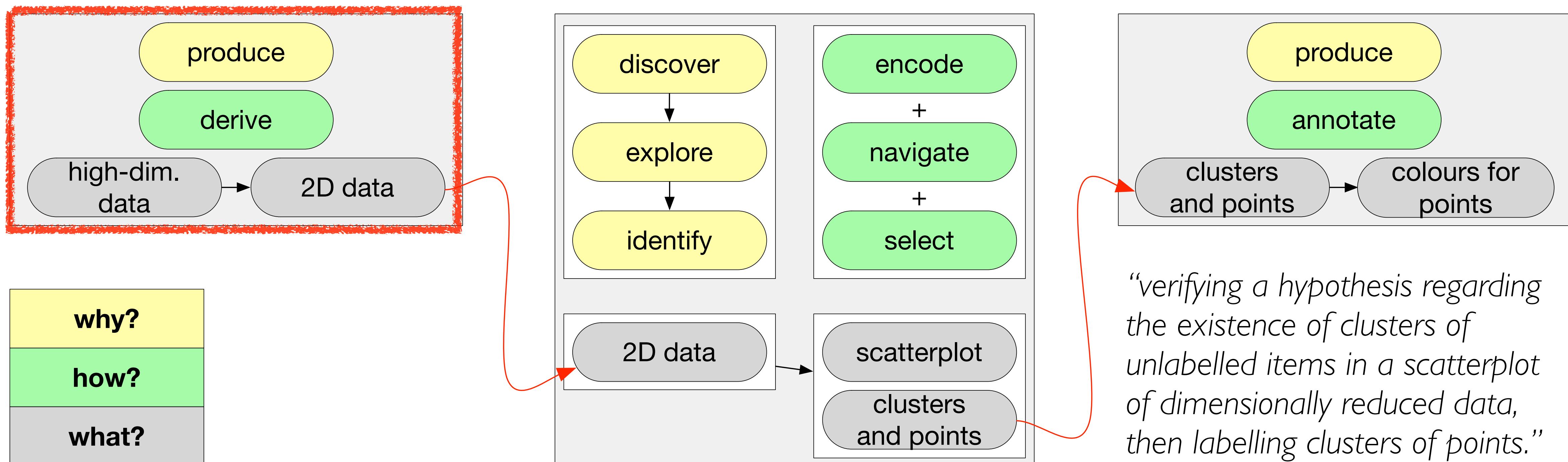
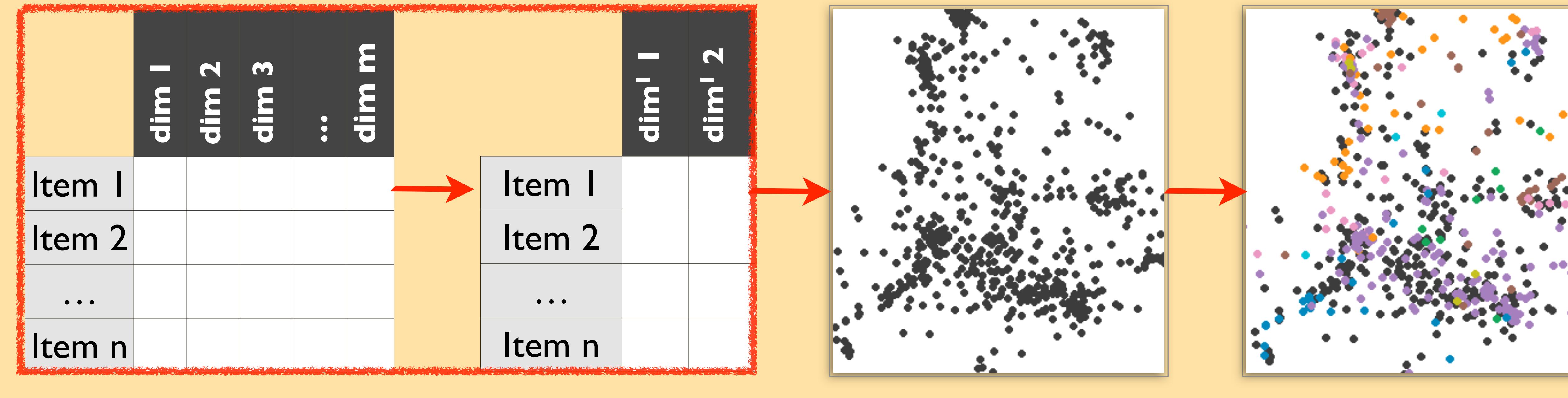


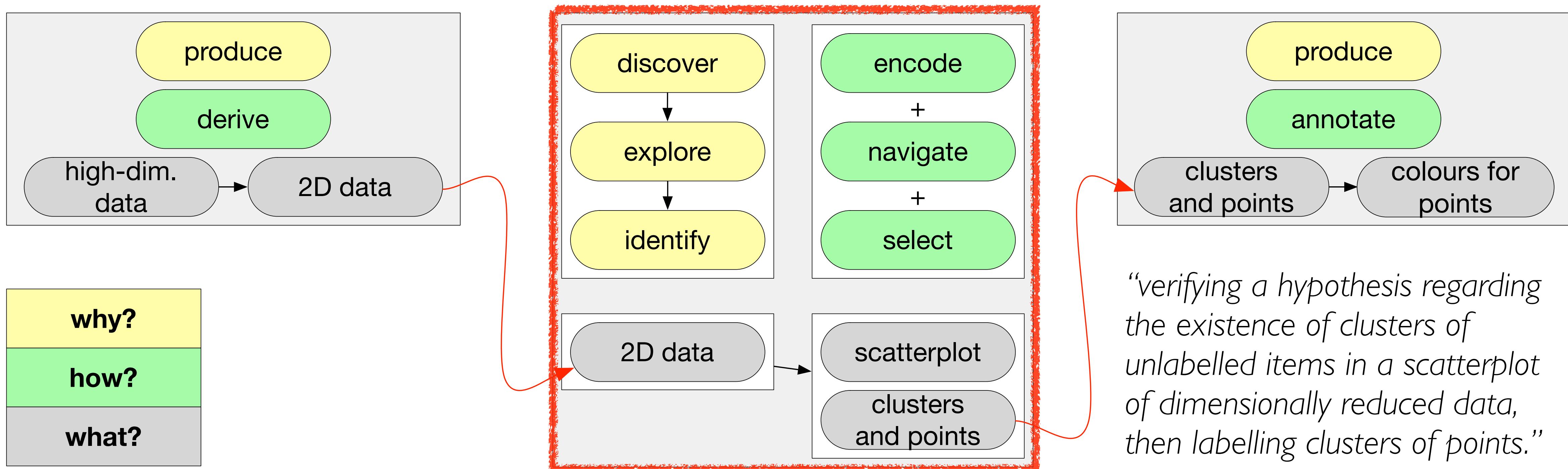
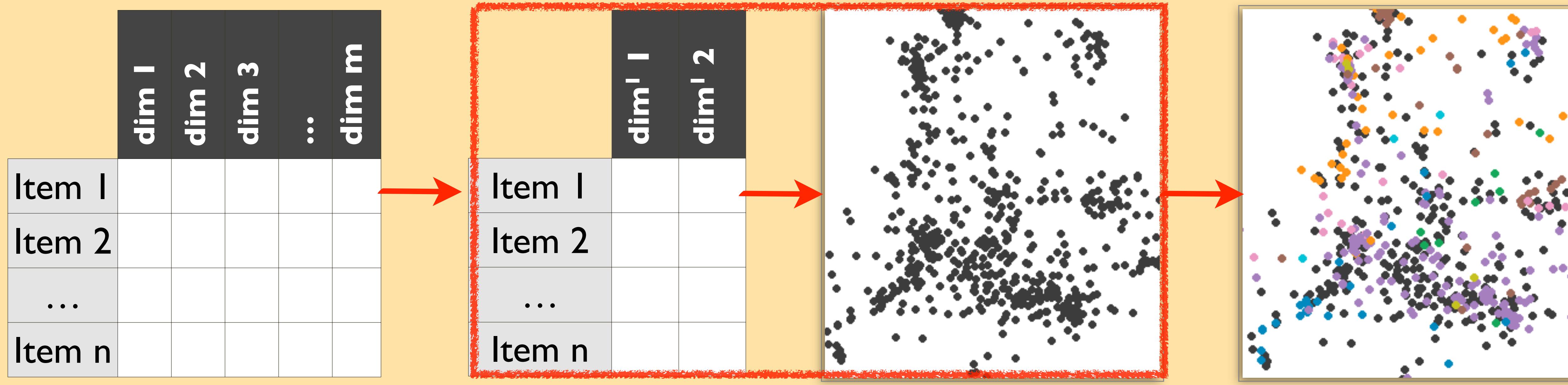
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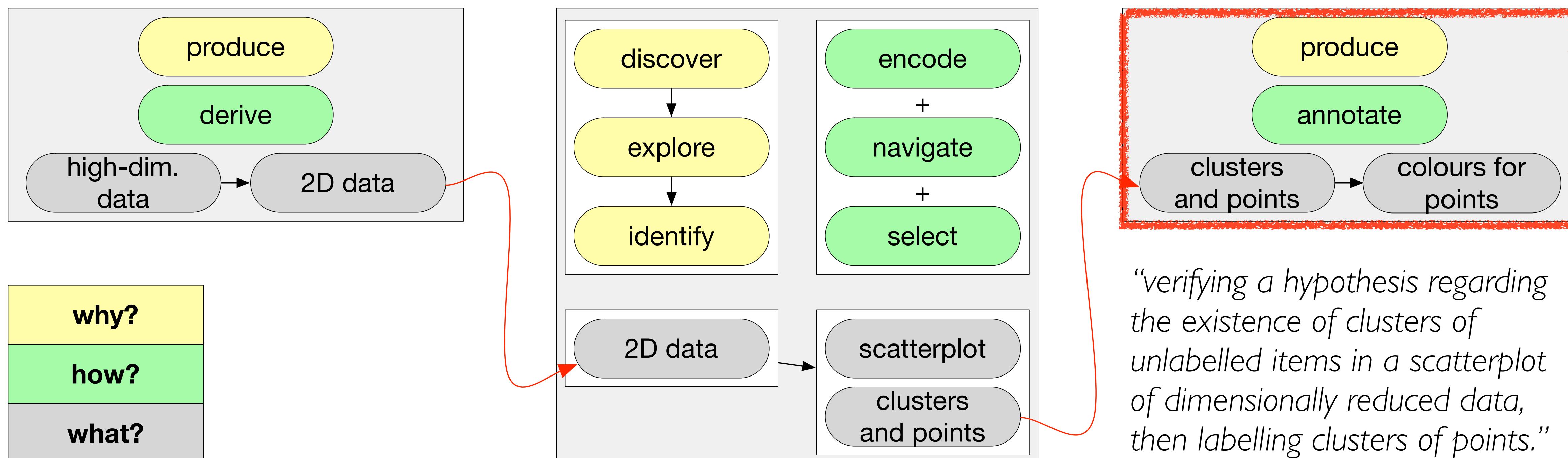
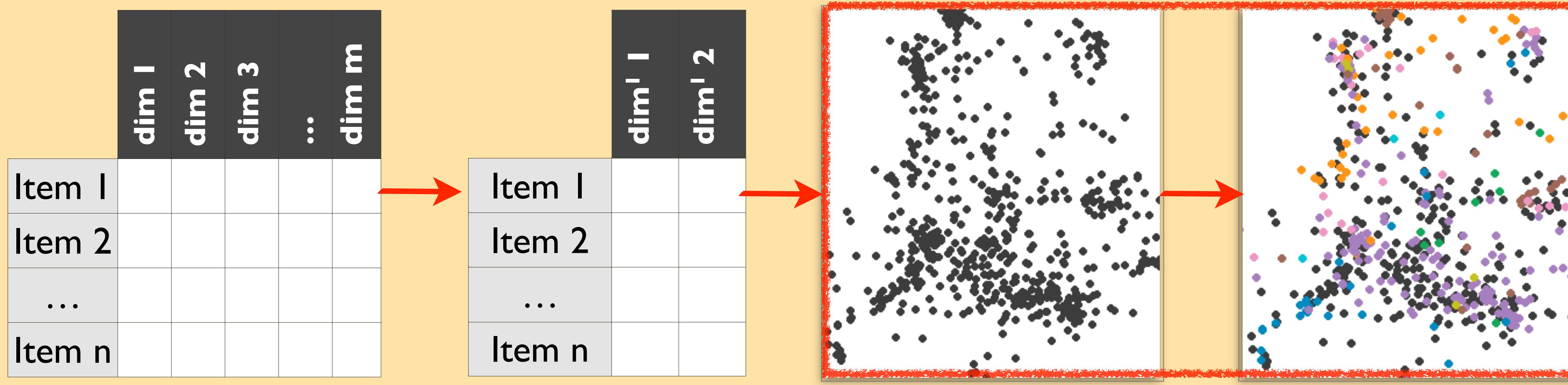
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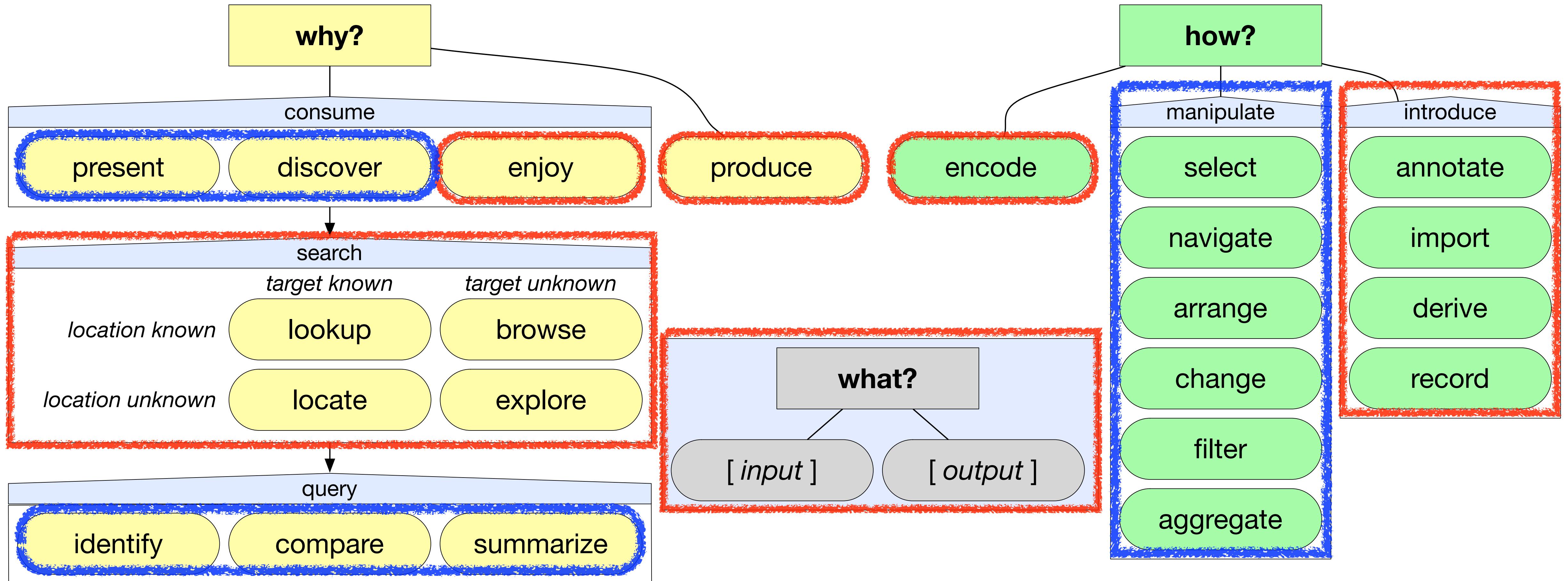




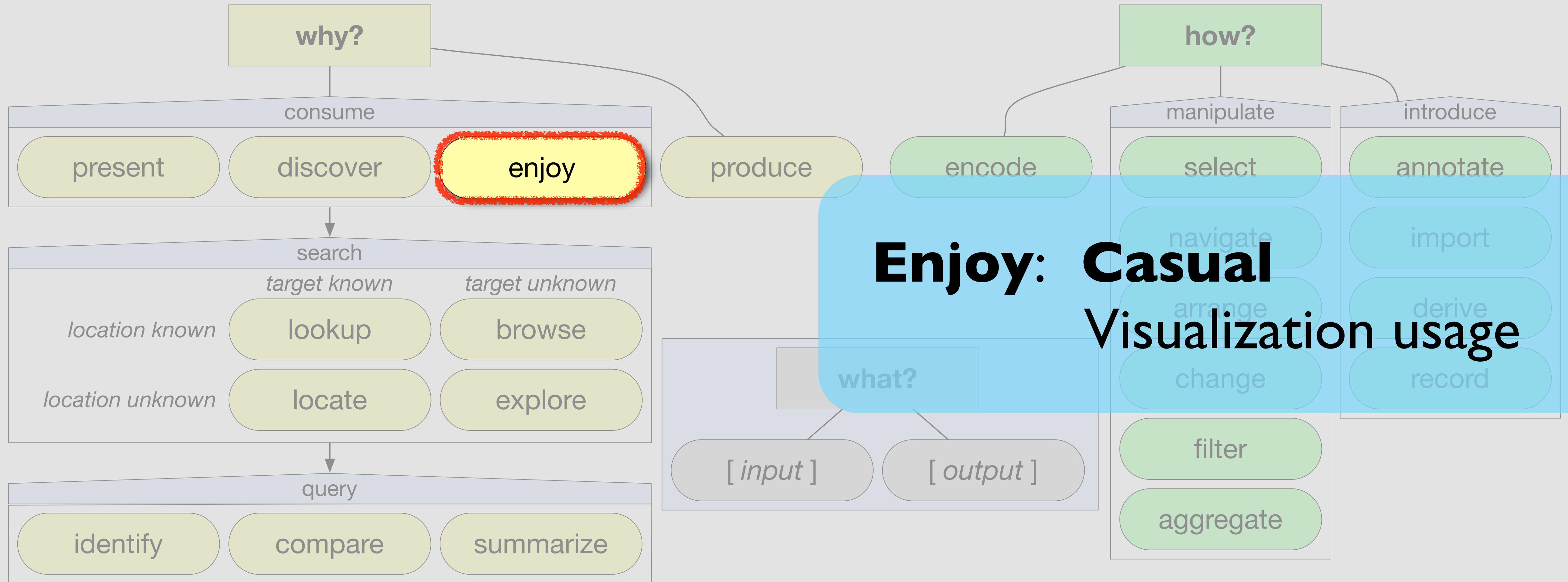


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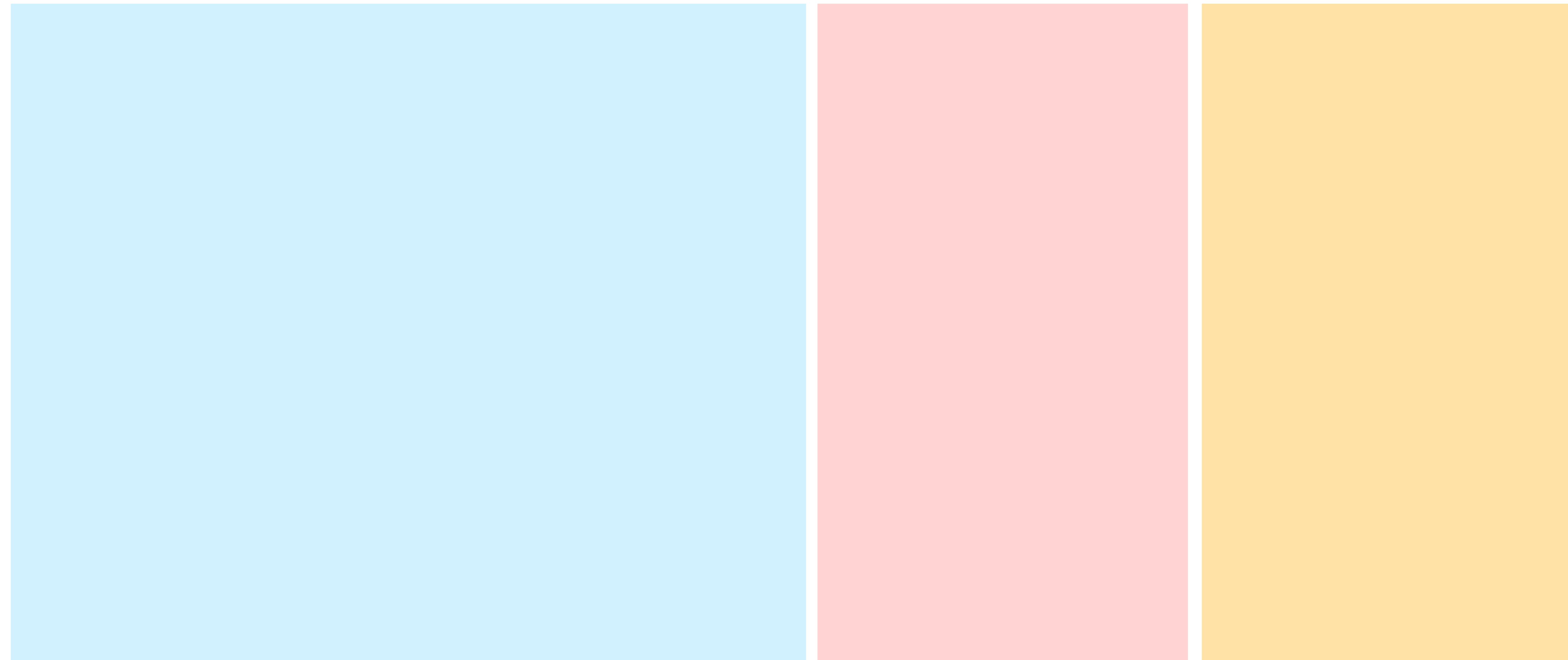
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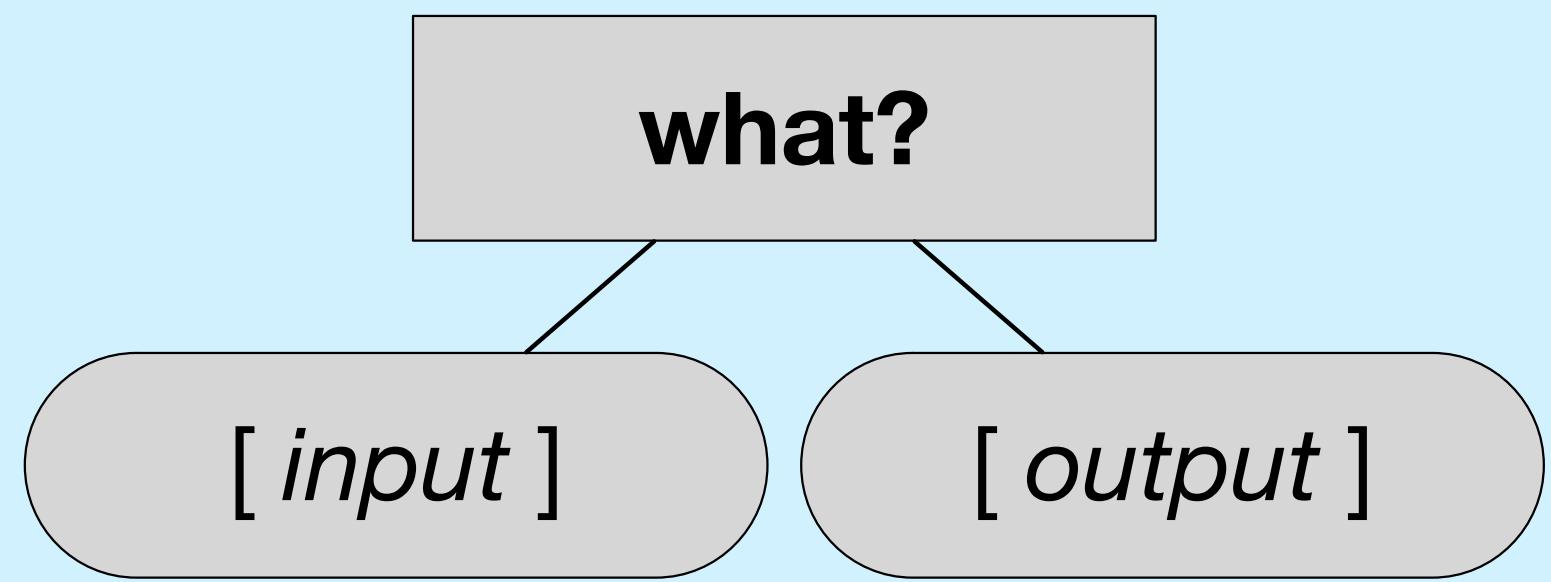
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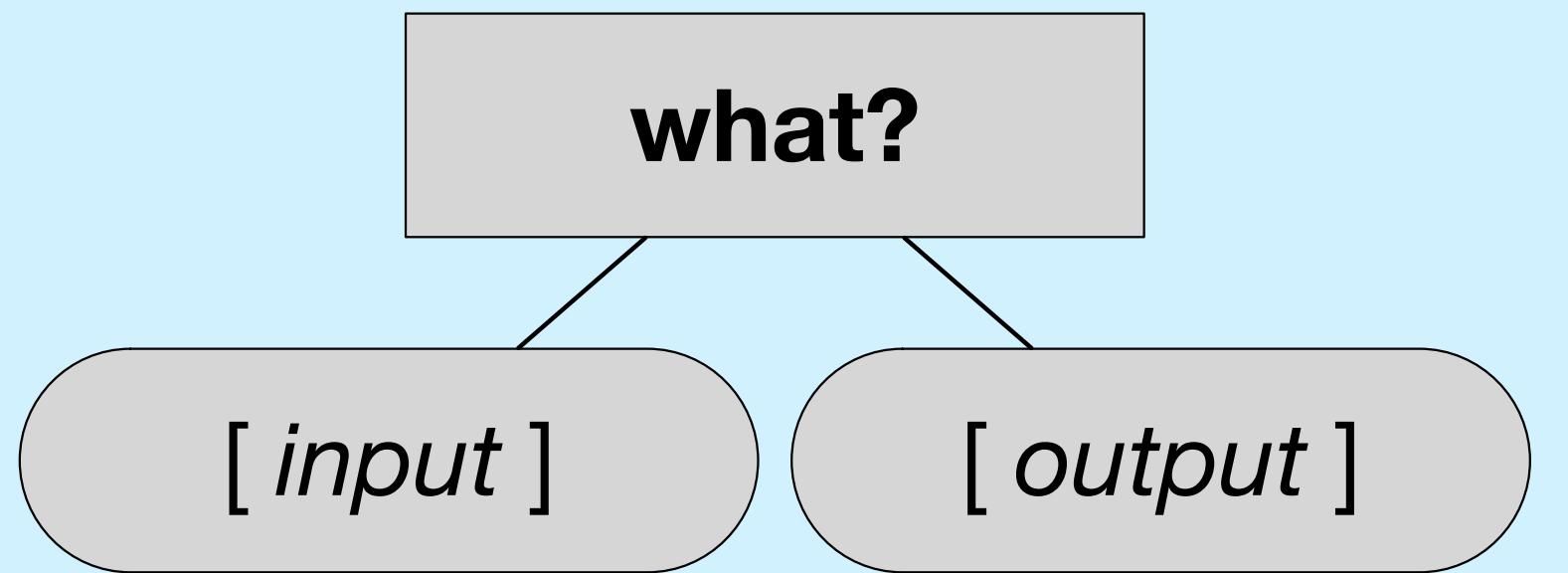
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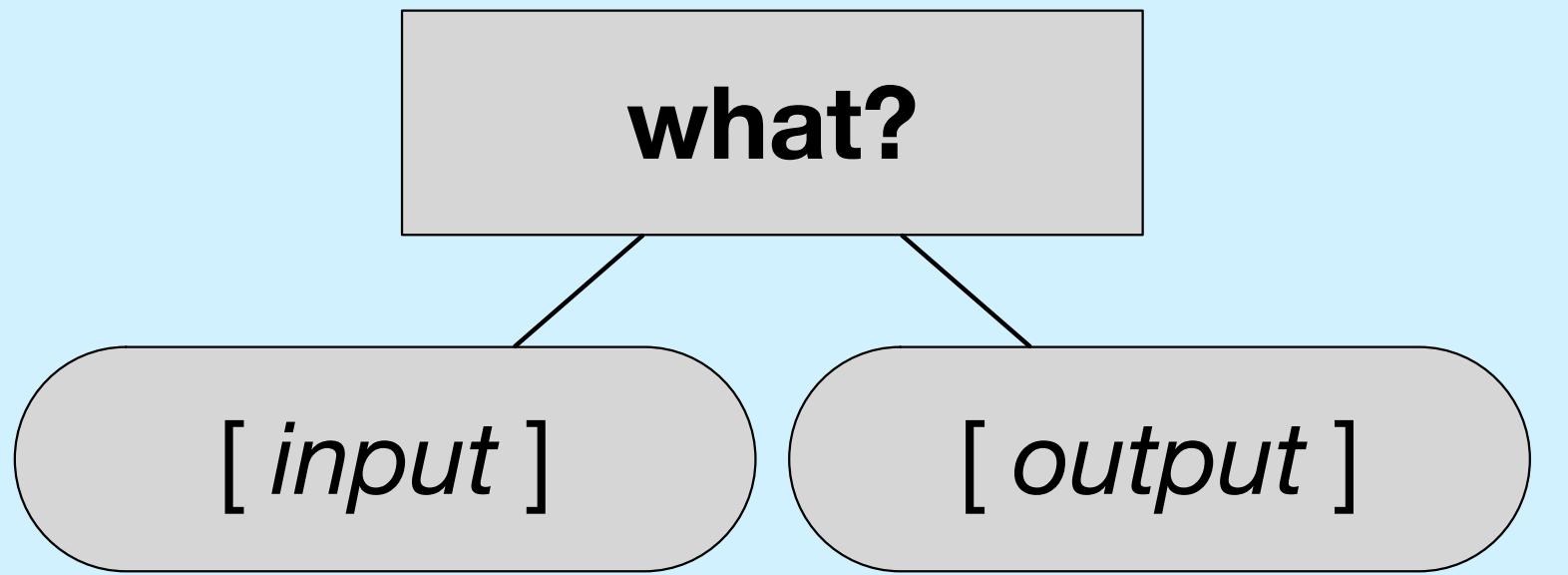
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Low-Level

High-Level

Target

Attribute Relations

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Space Alone

Attributes in Space

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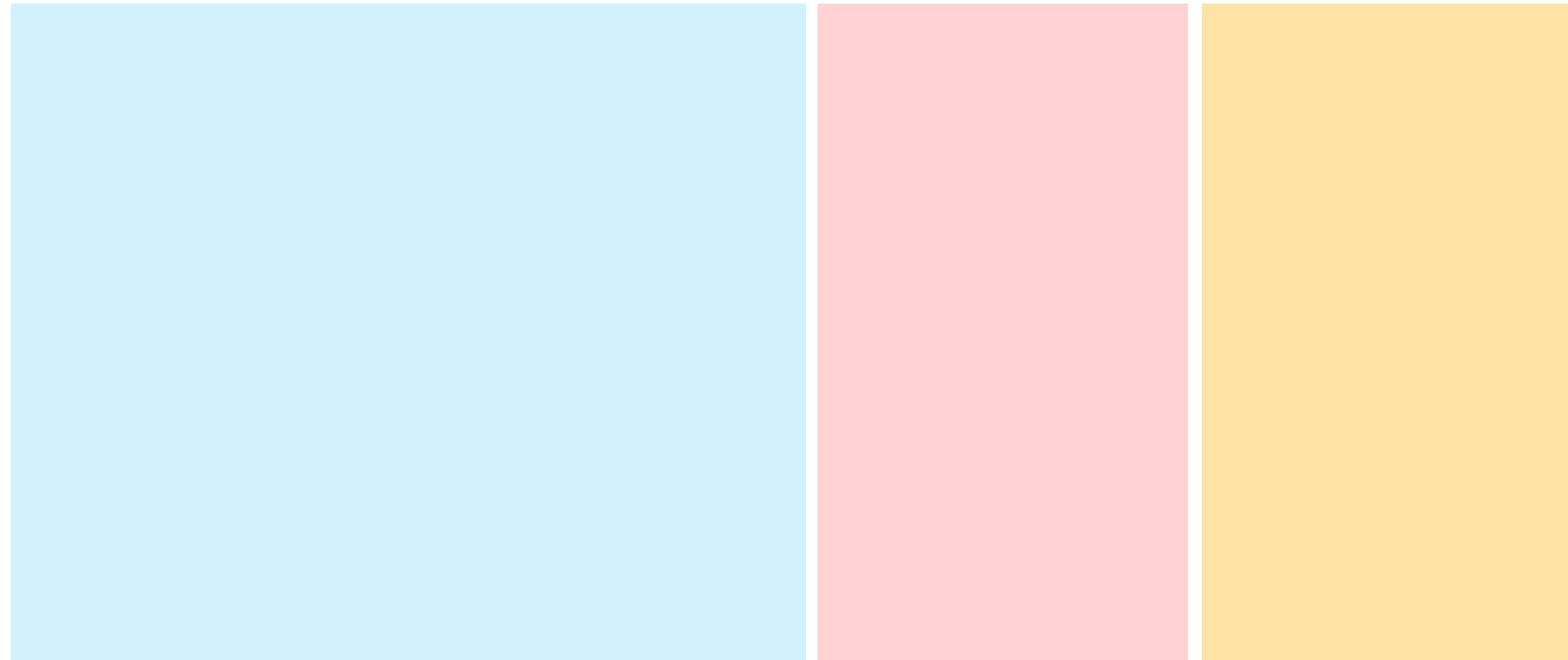
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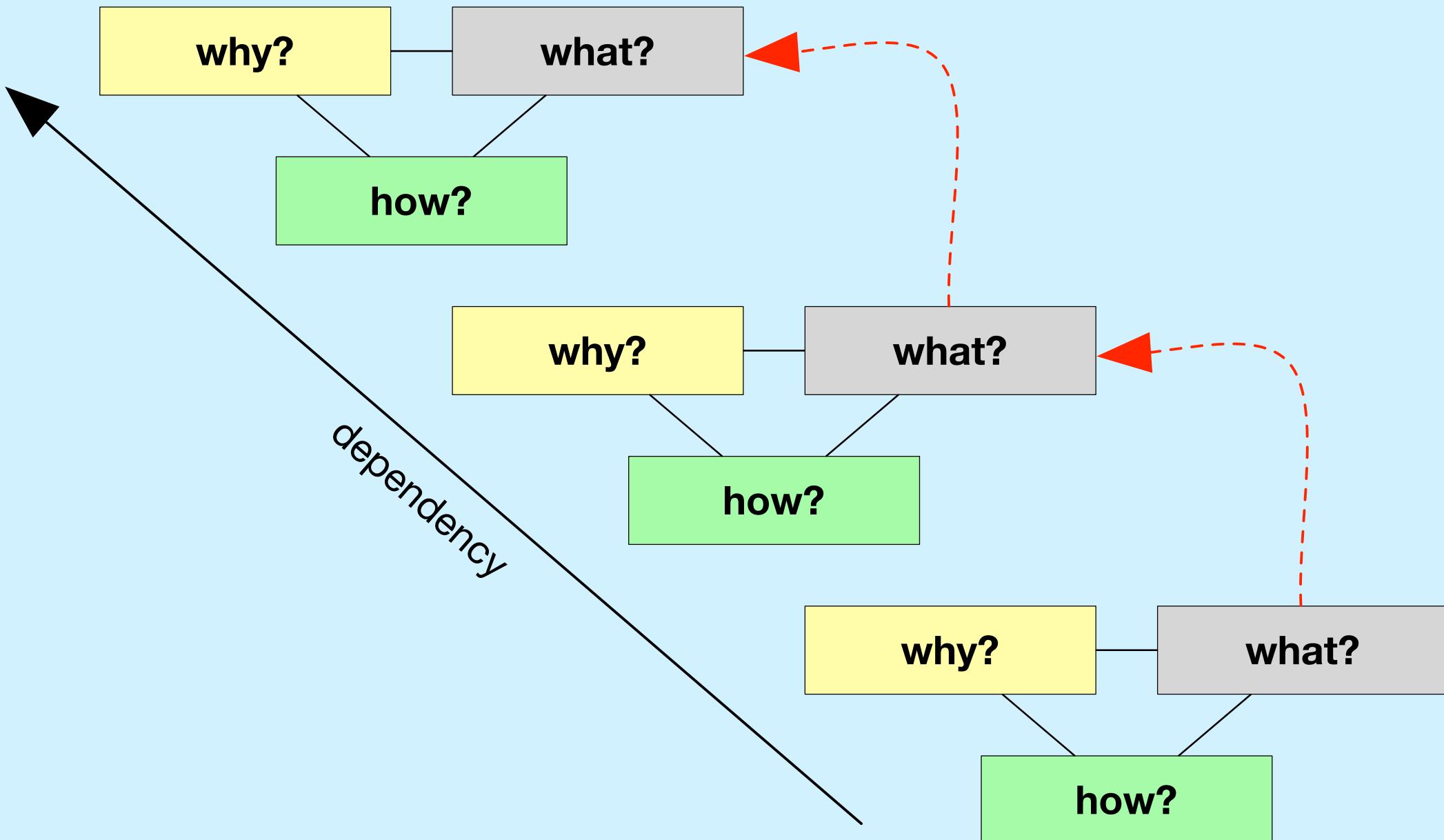
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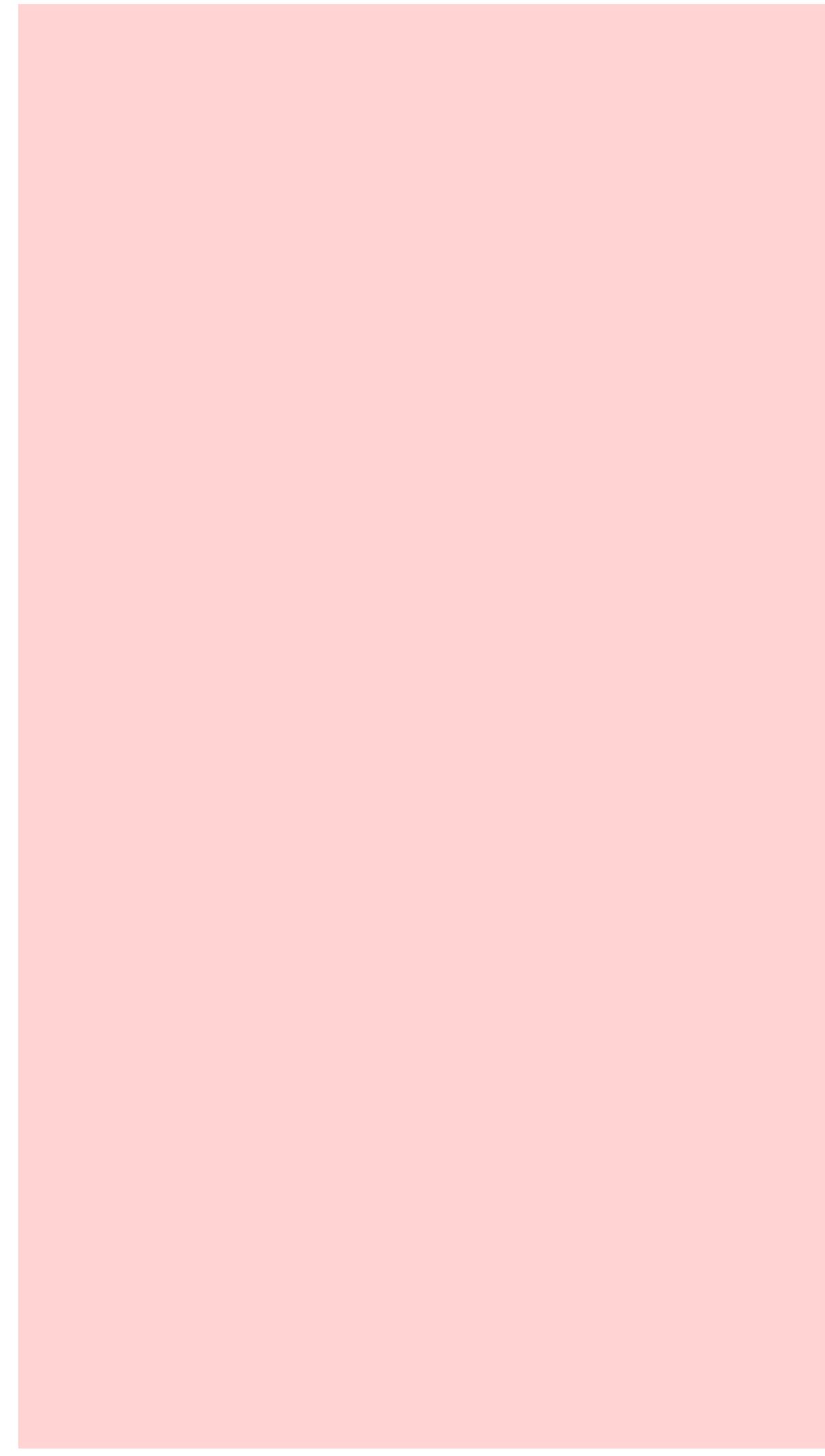
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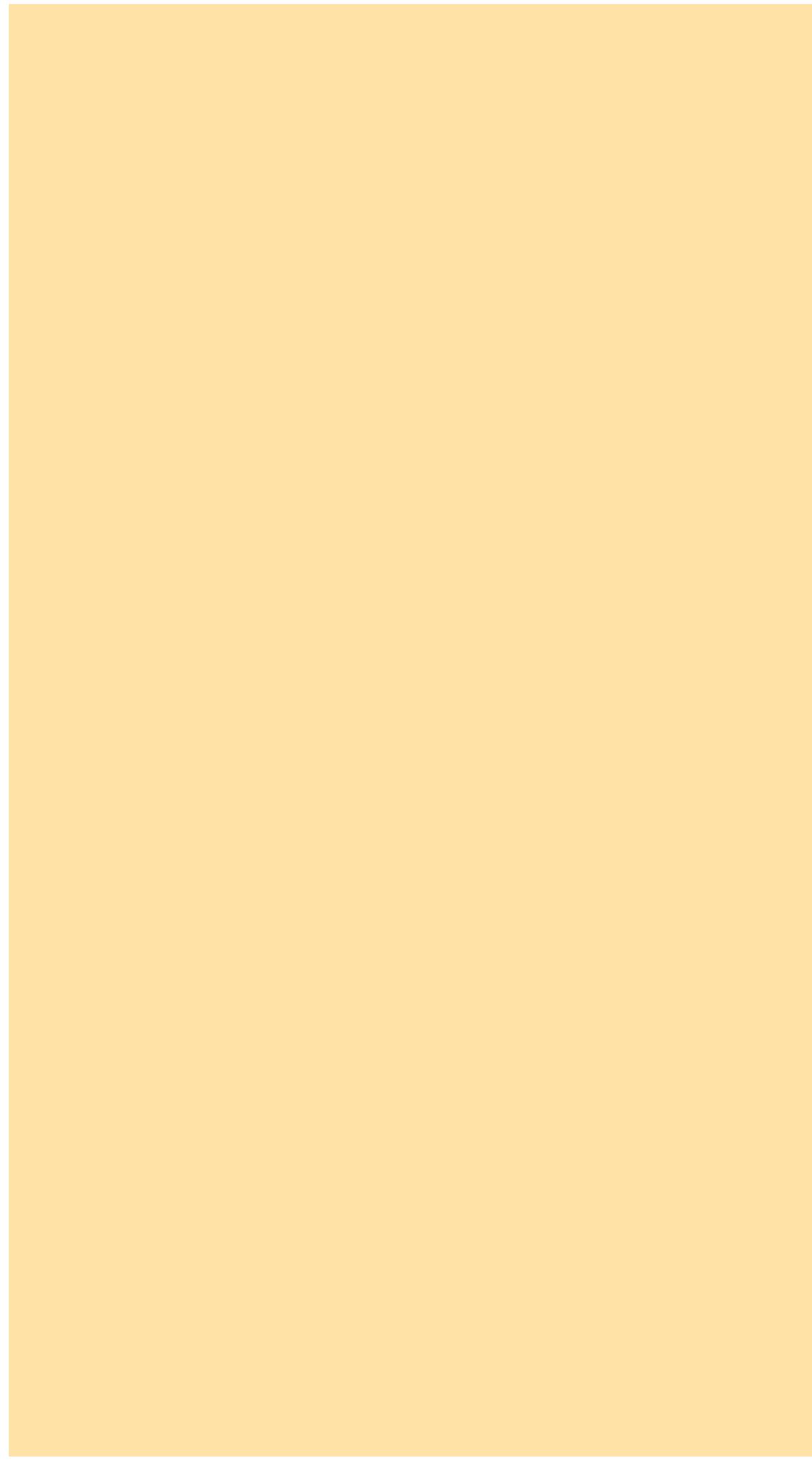
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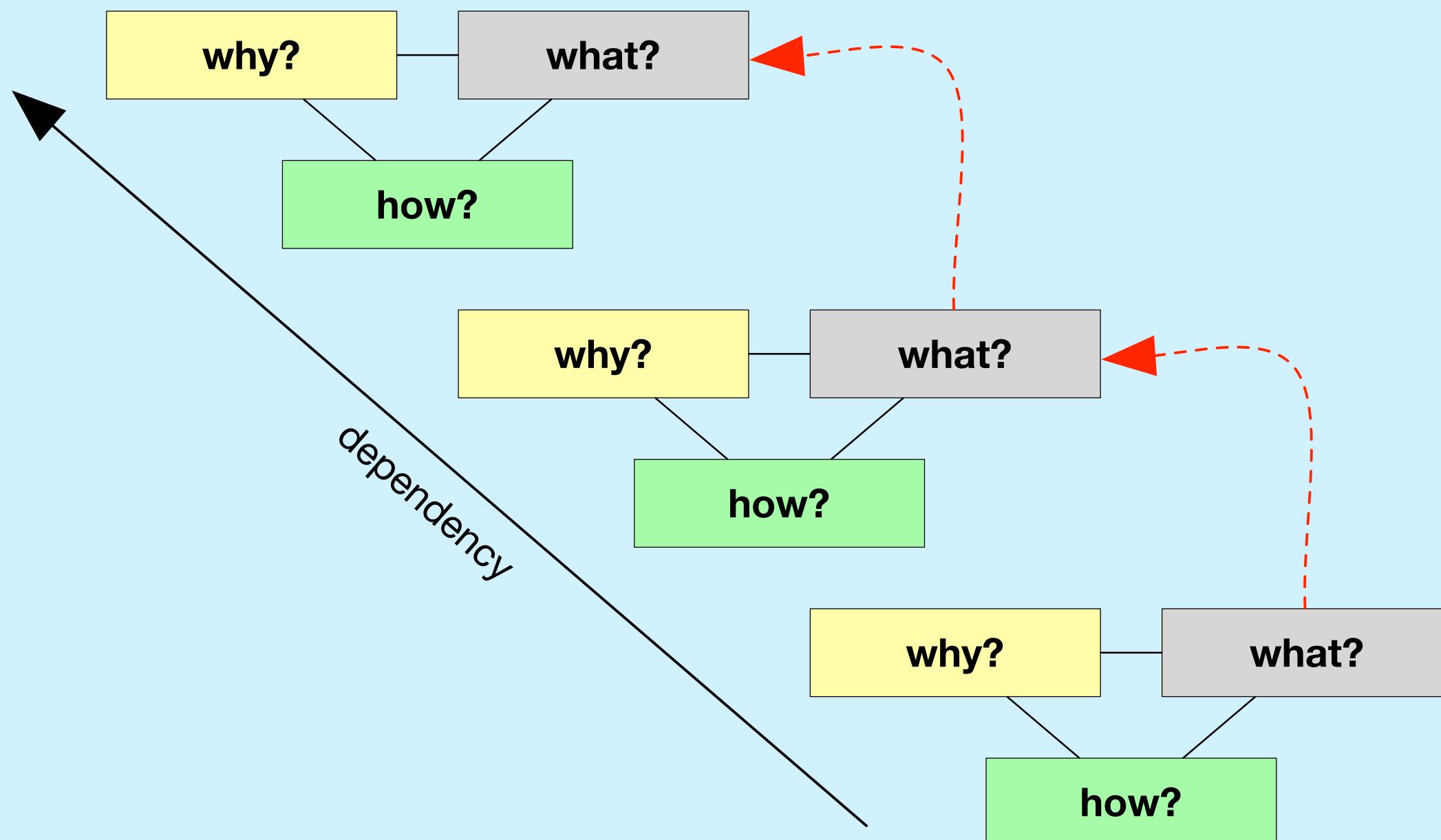
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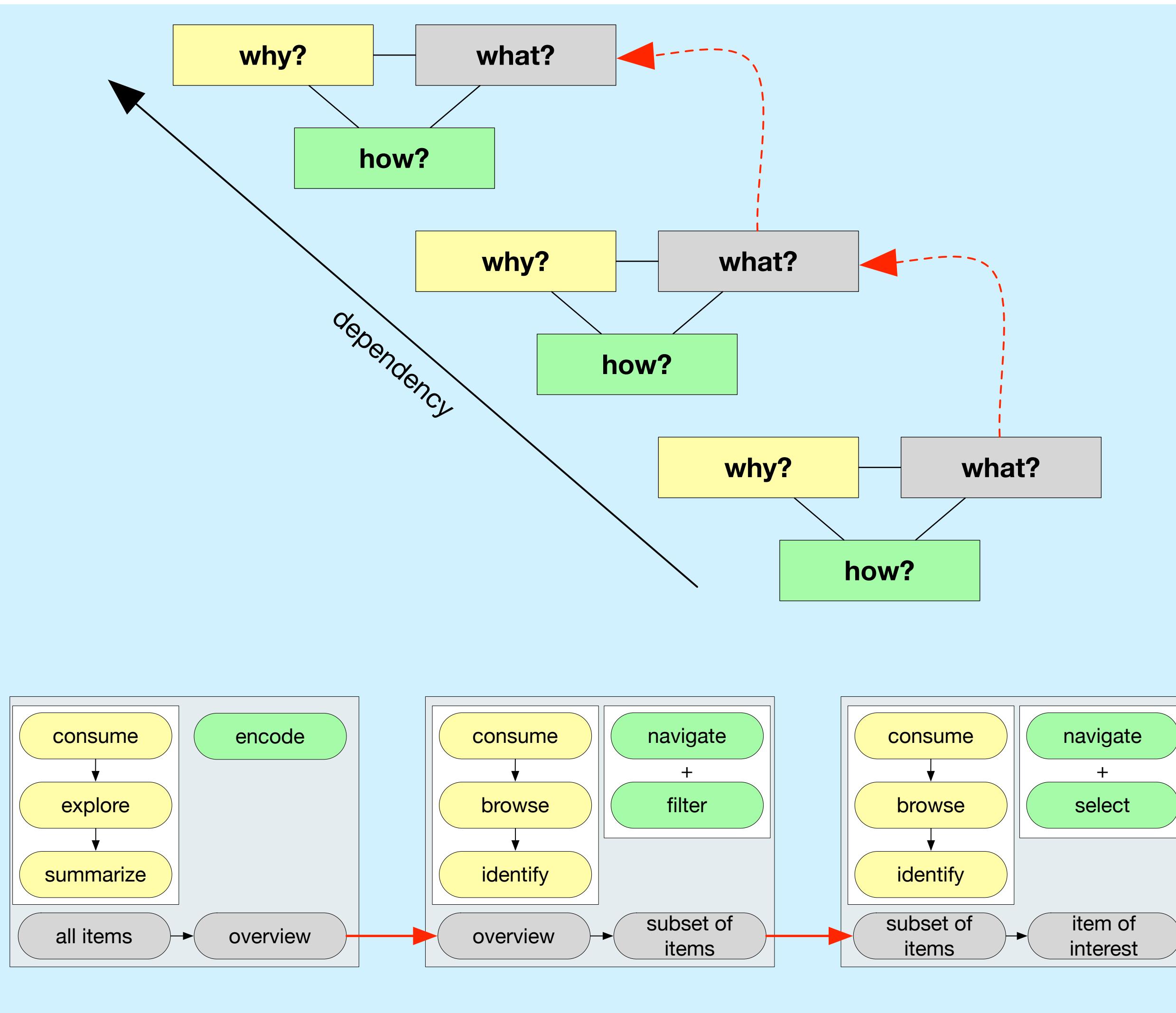
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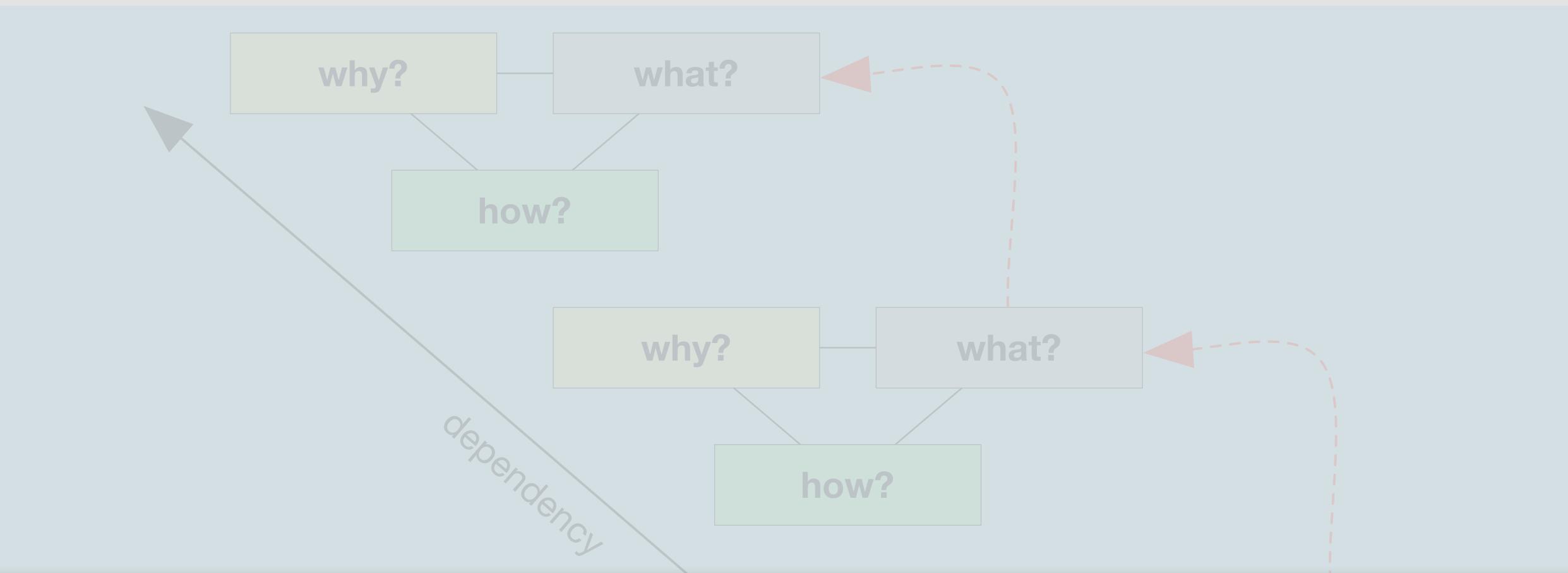
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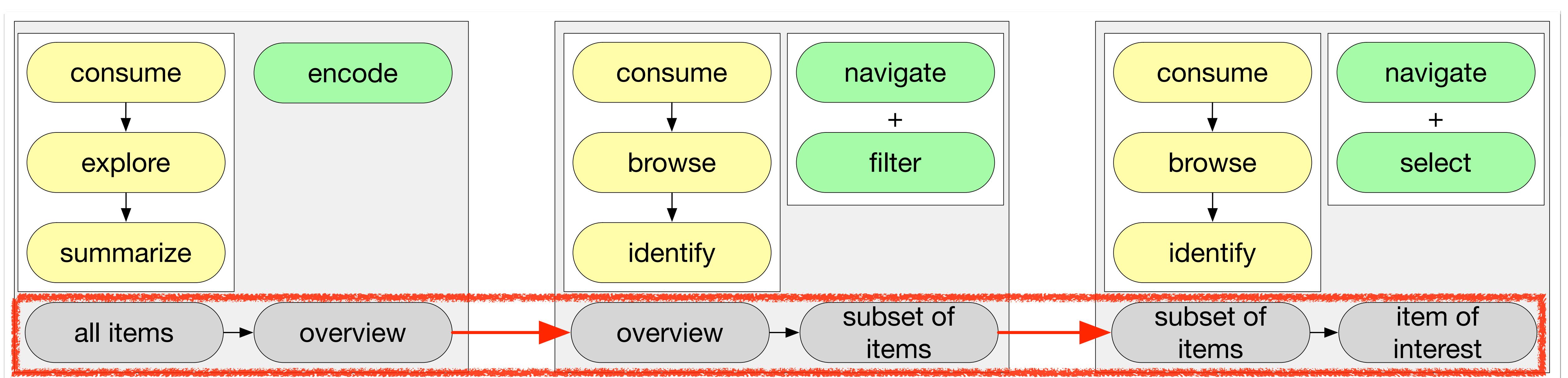
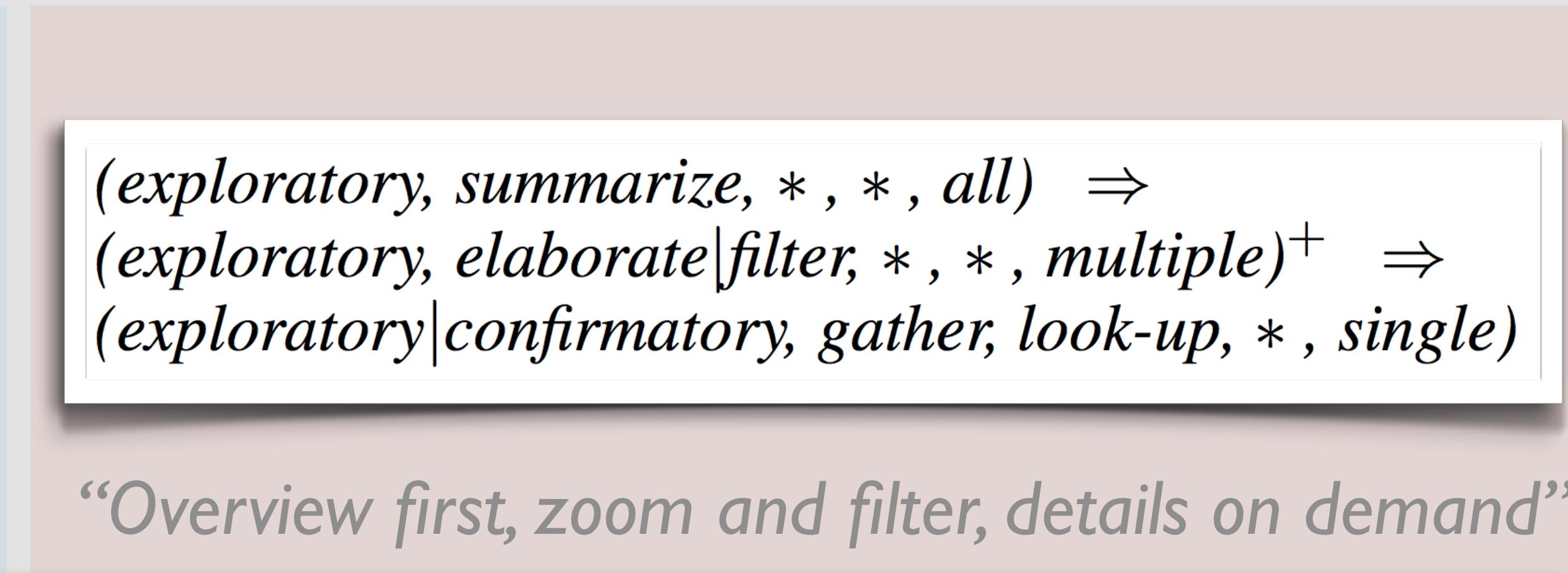
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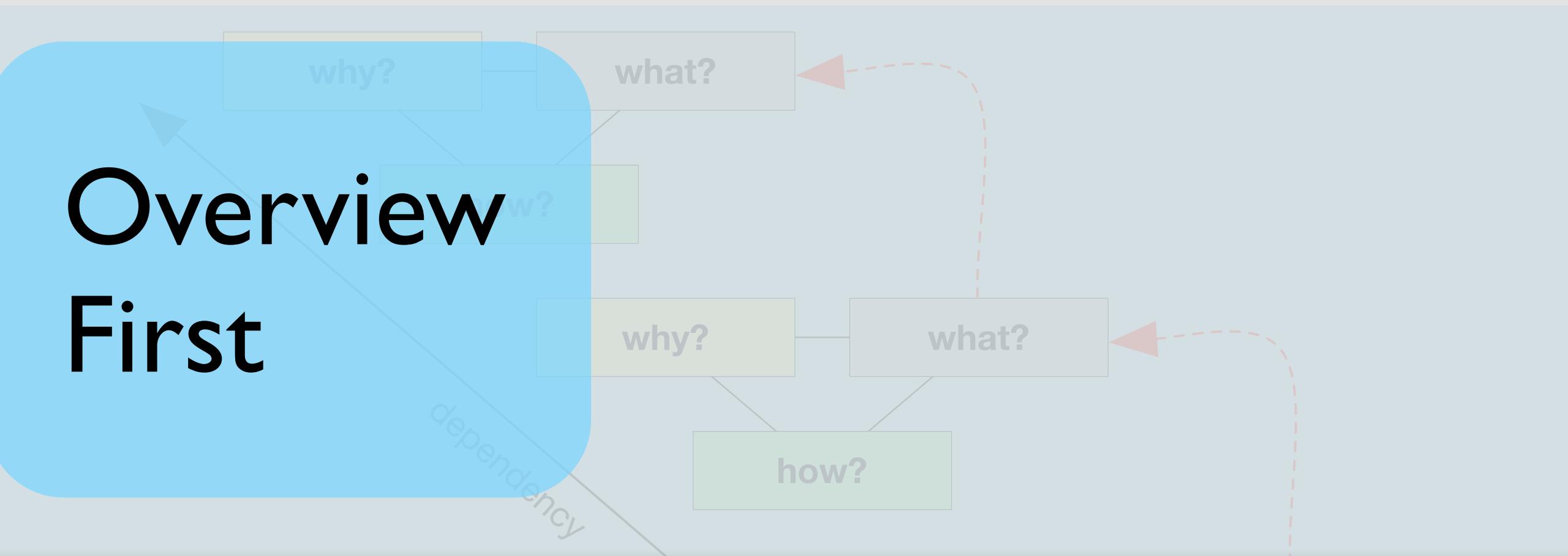
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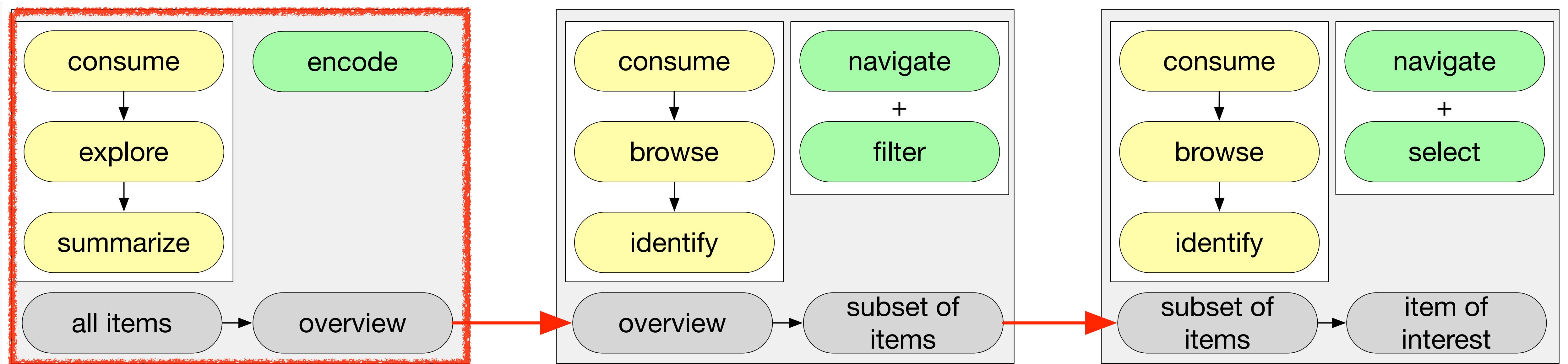
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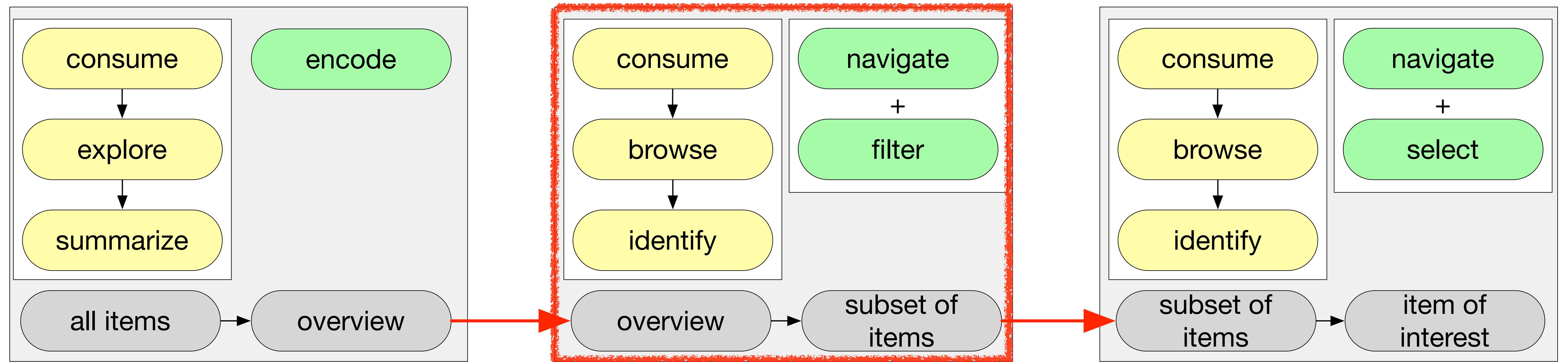
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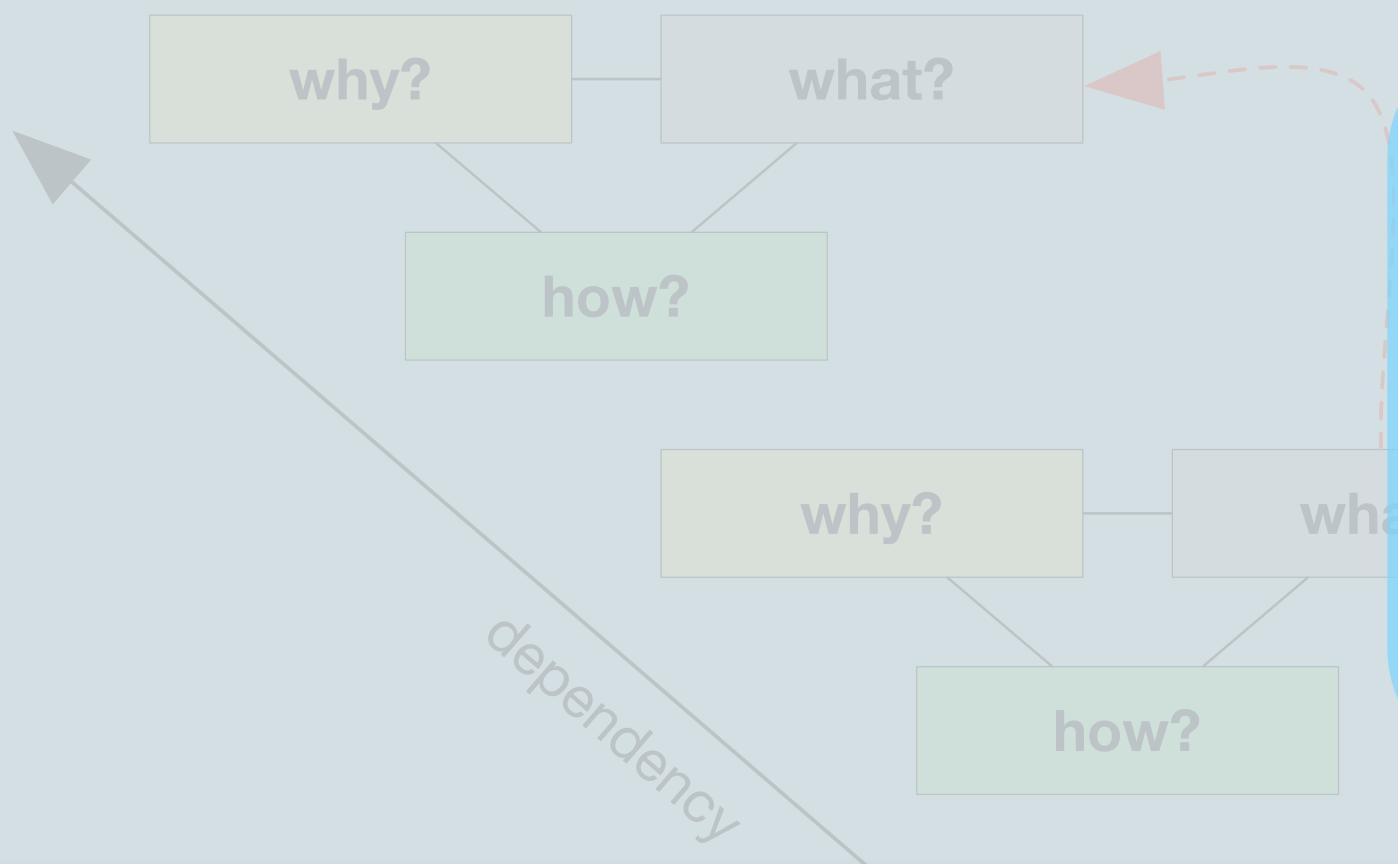
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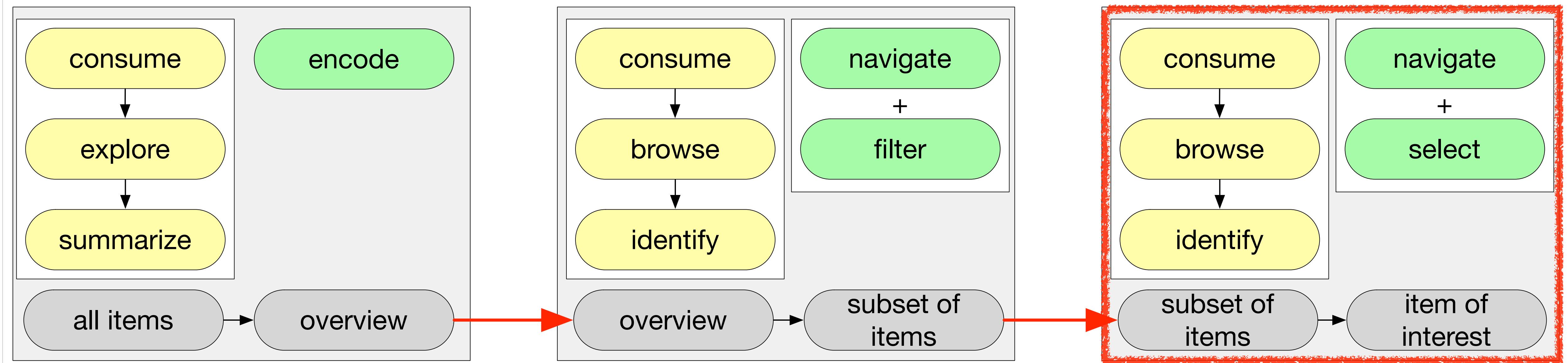
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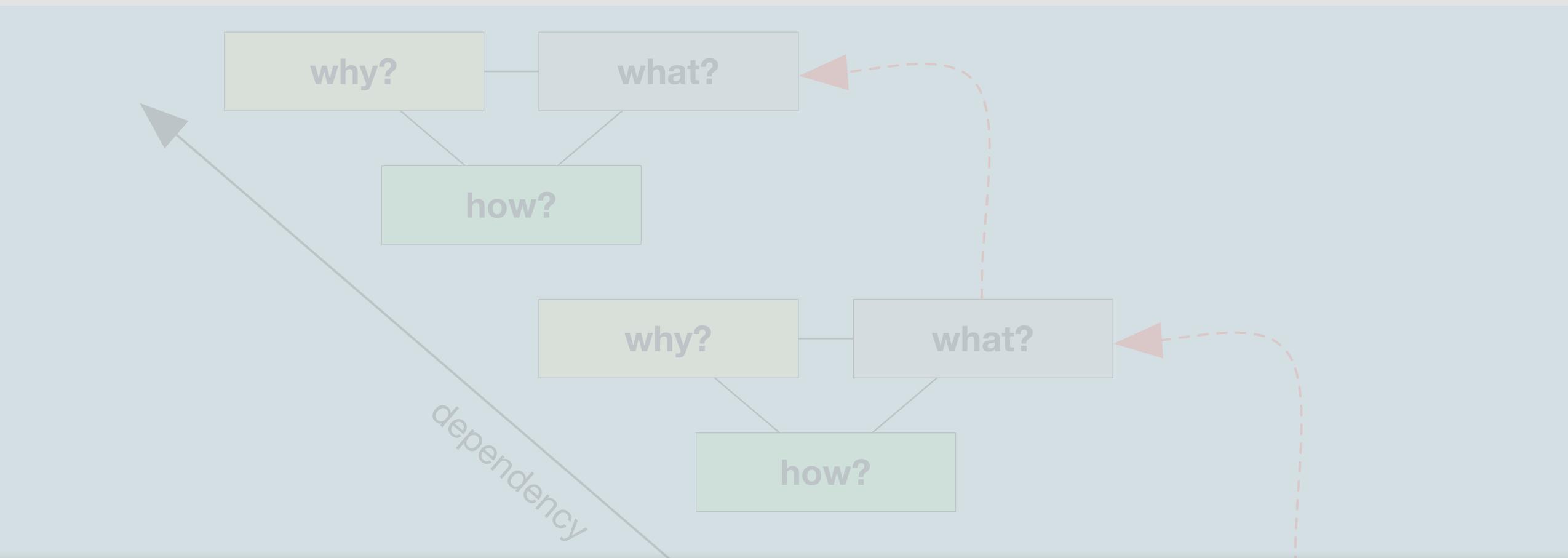
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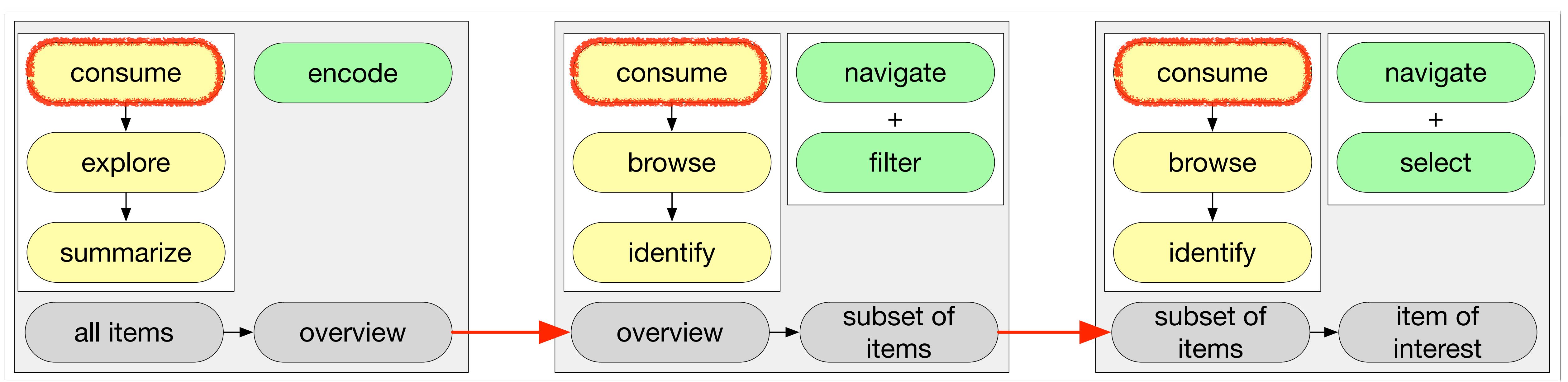
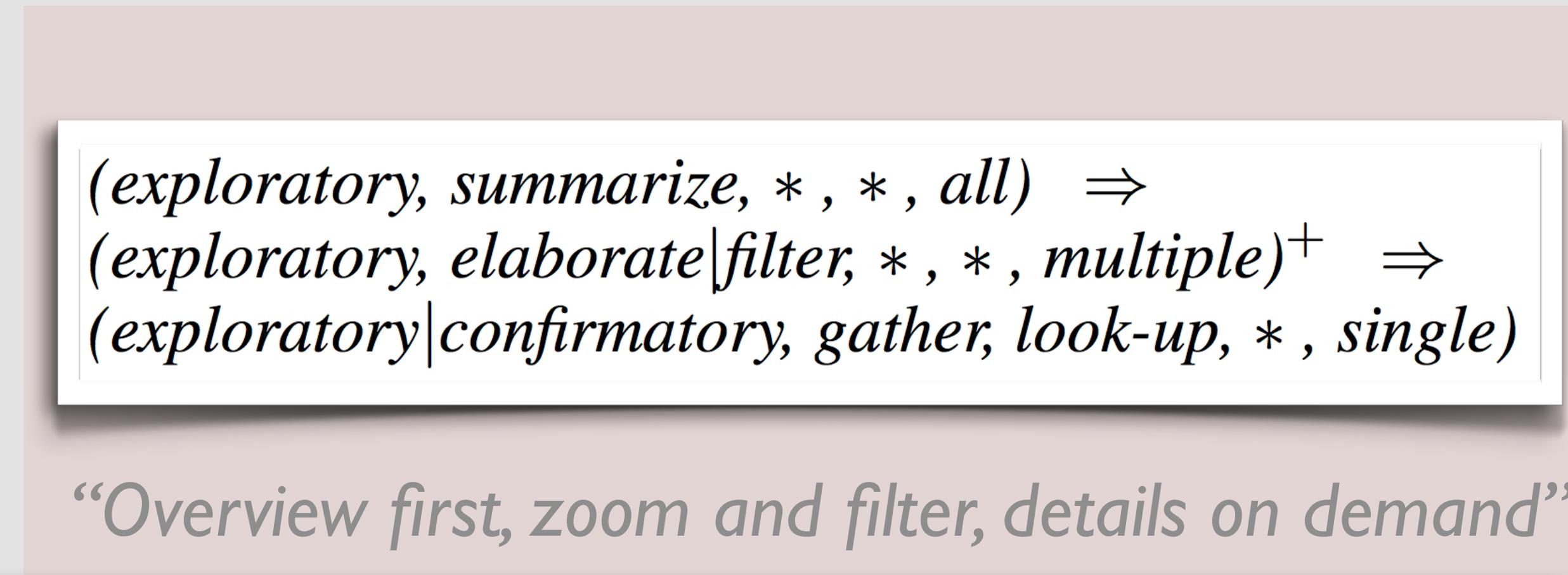
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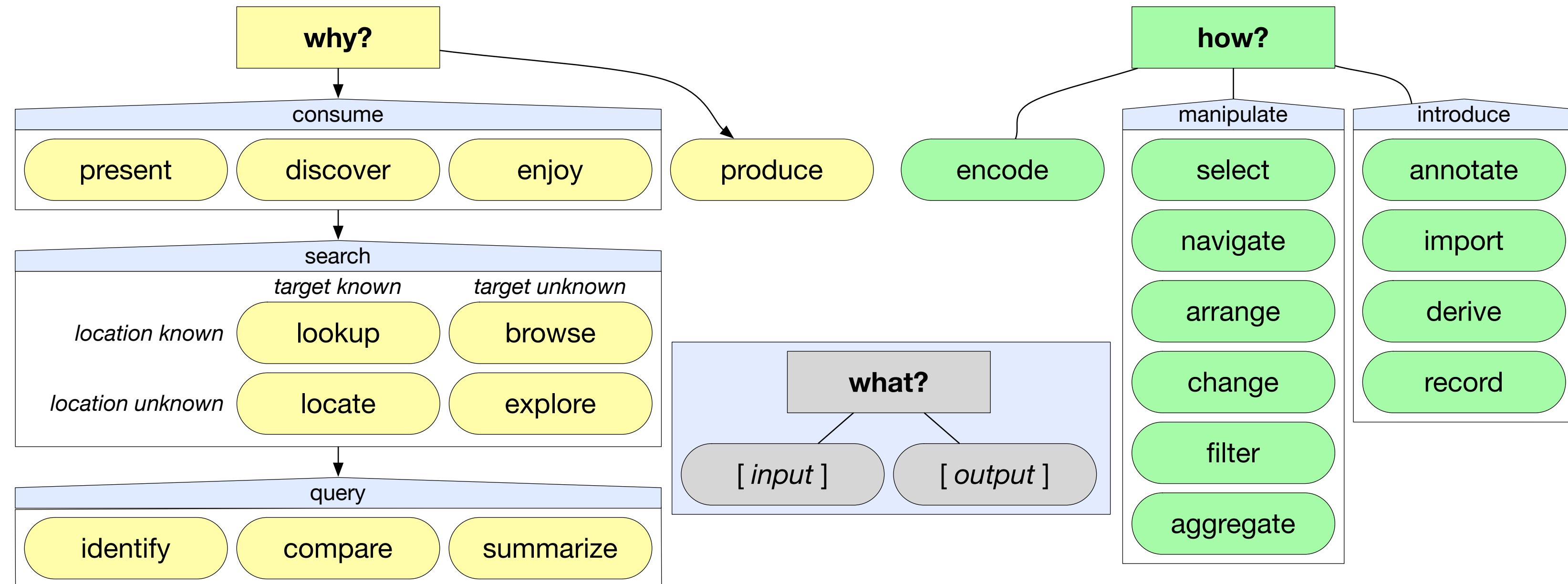


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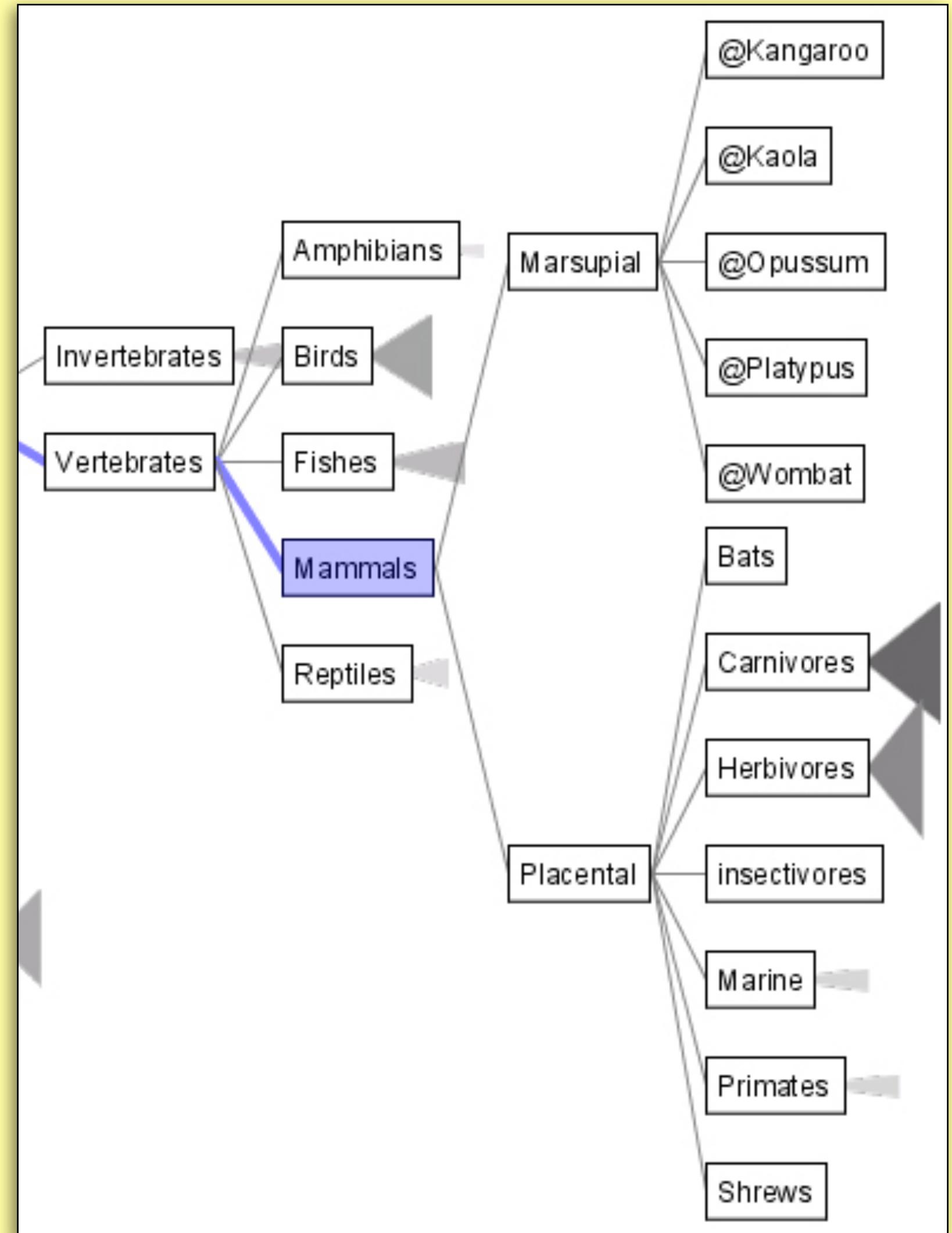
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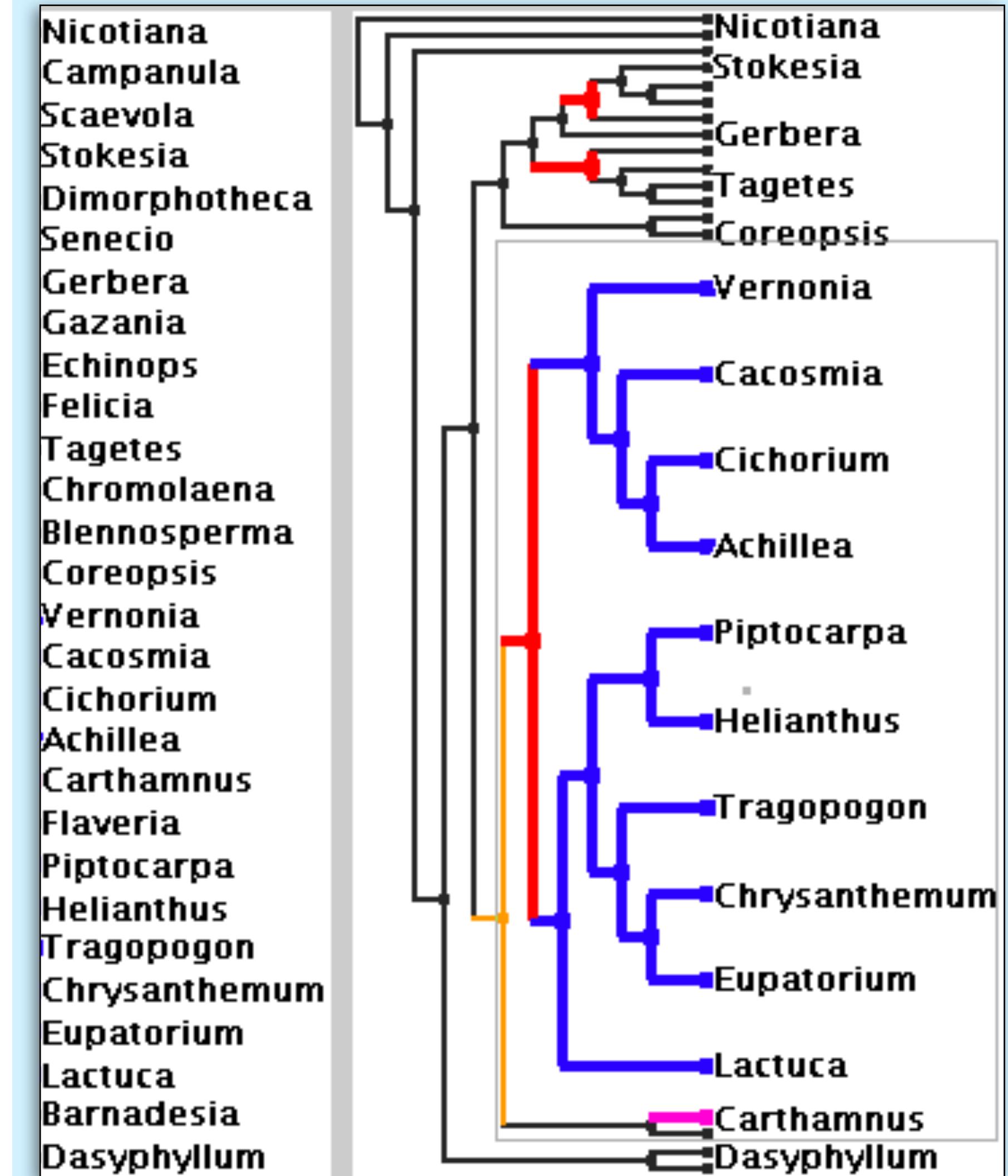
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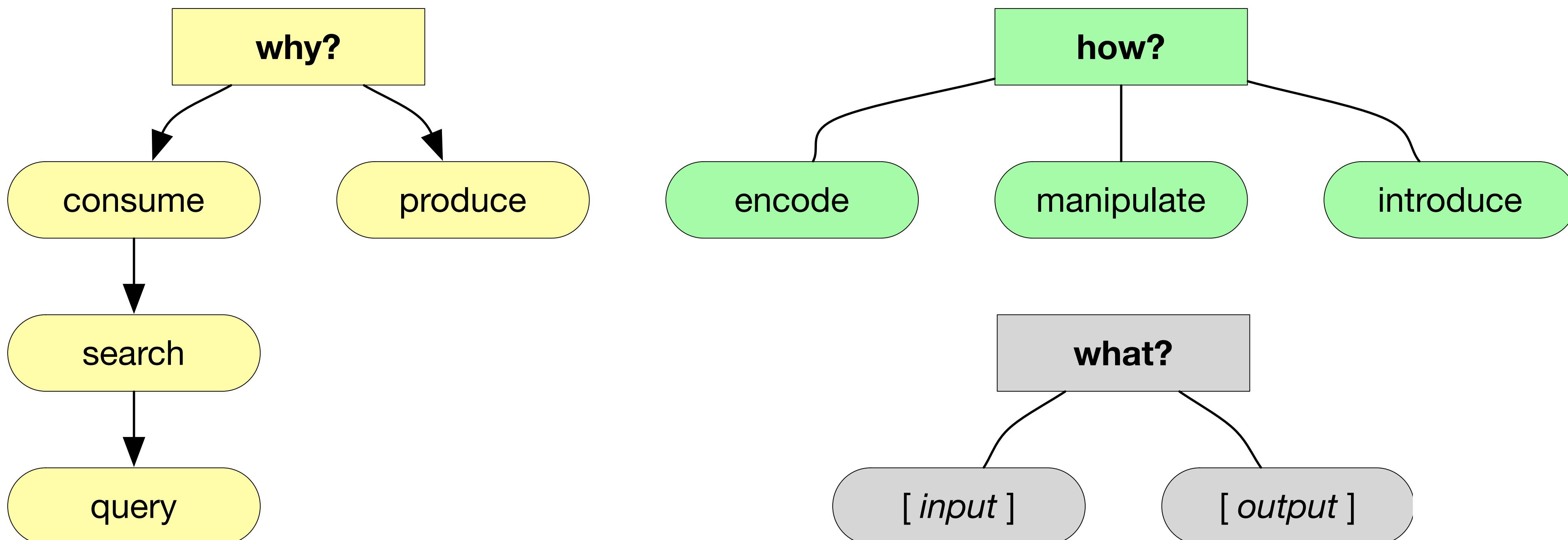


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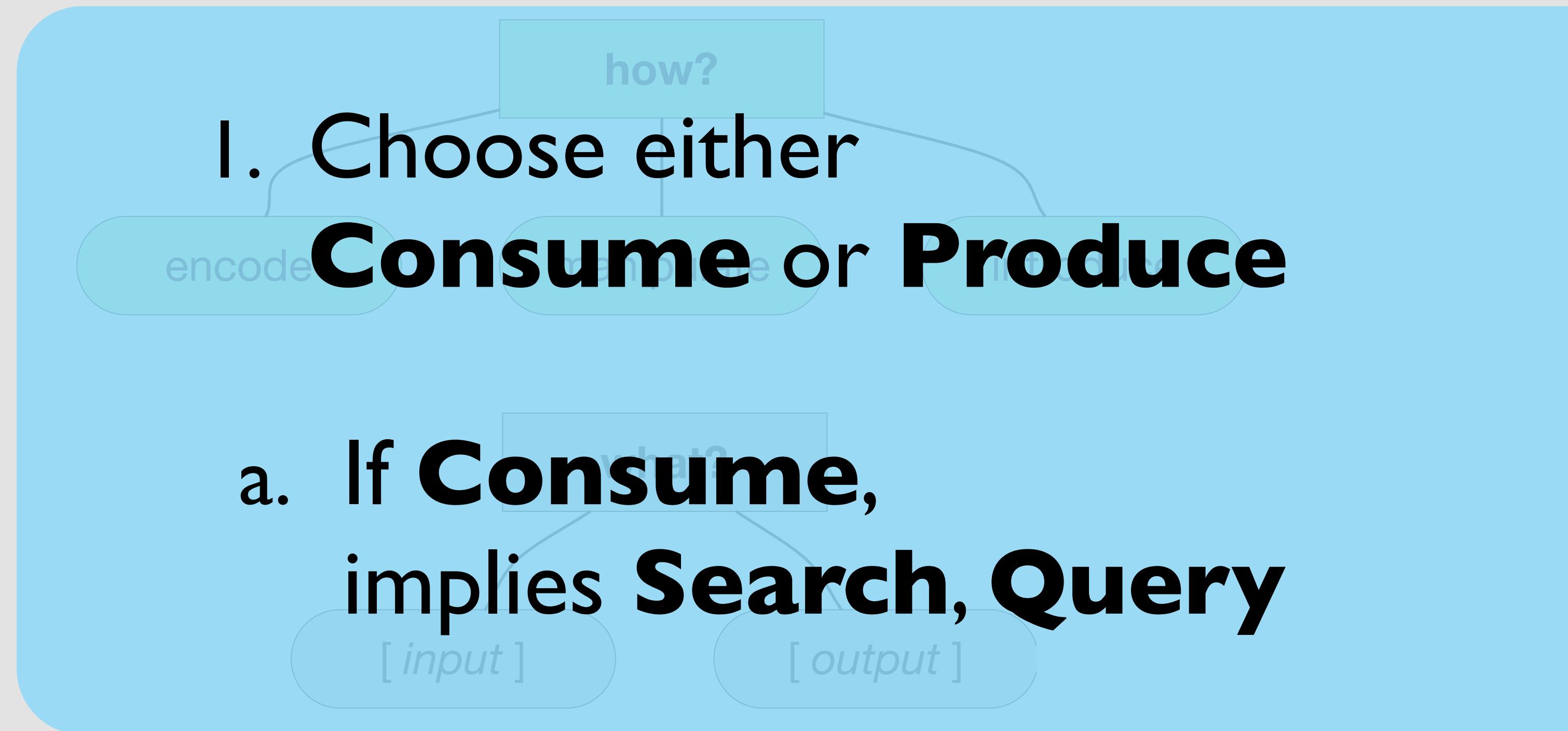
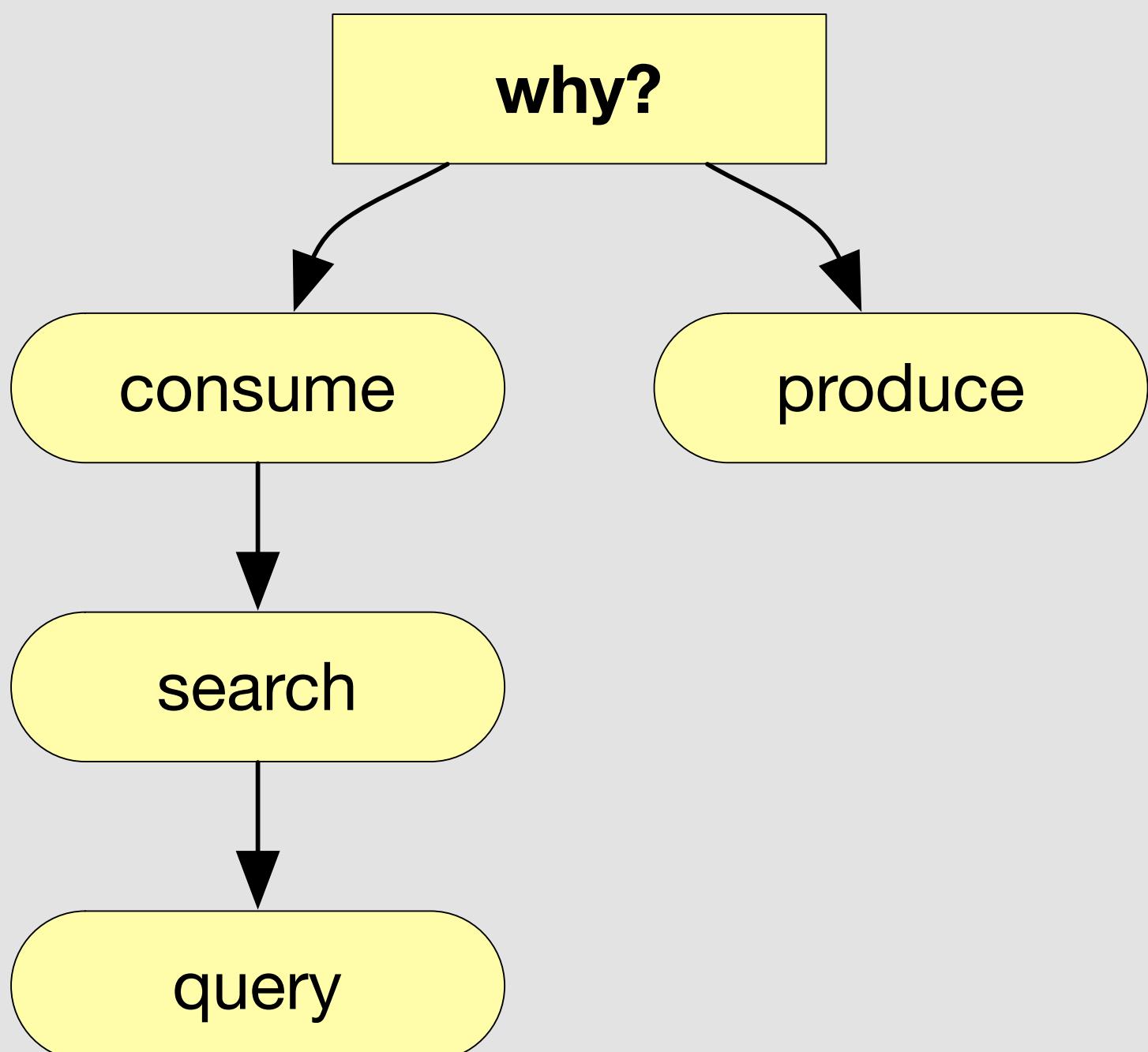
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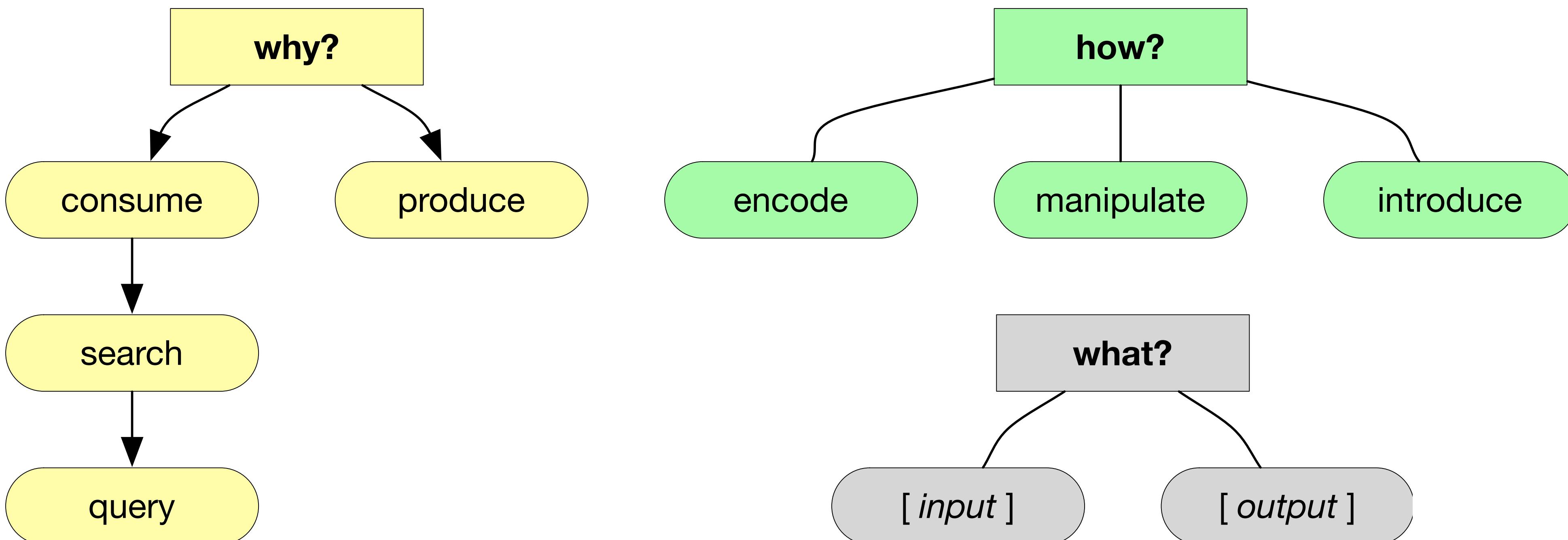
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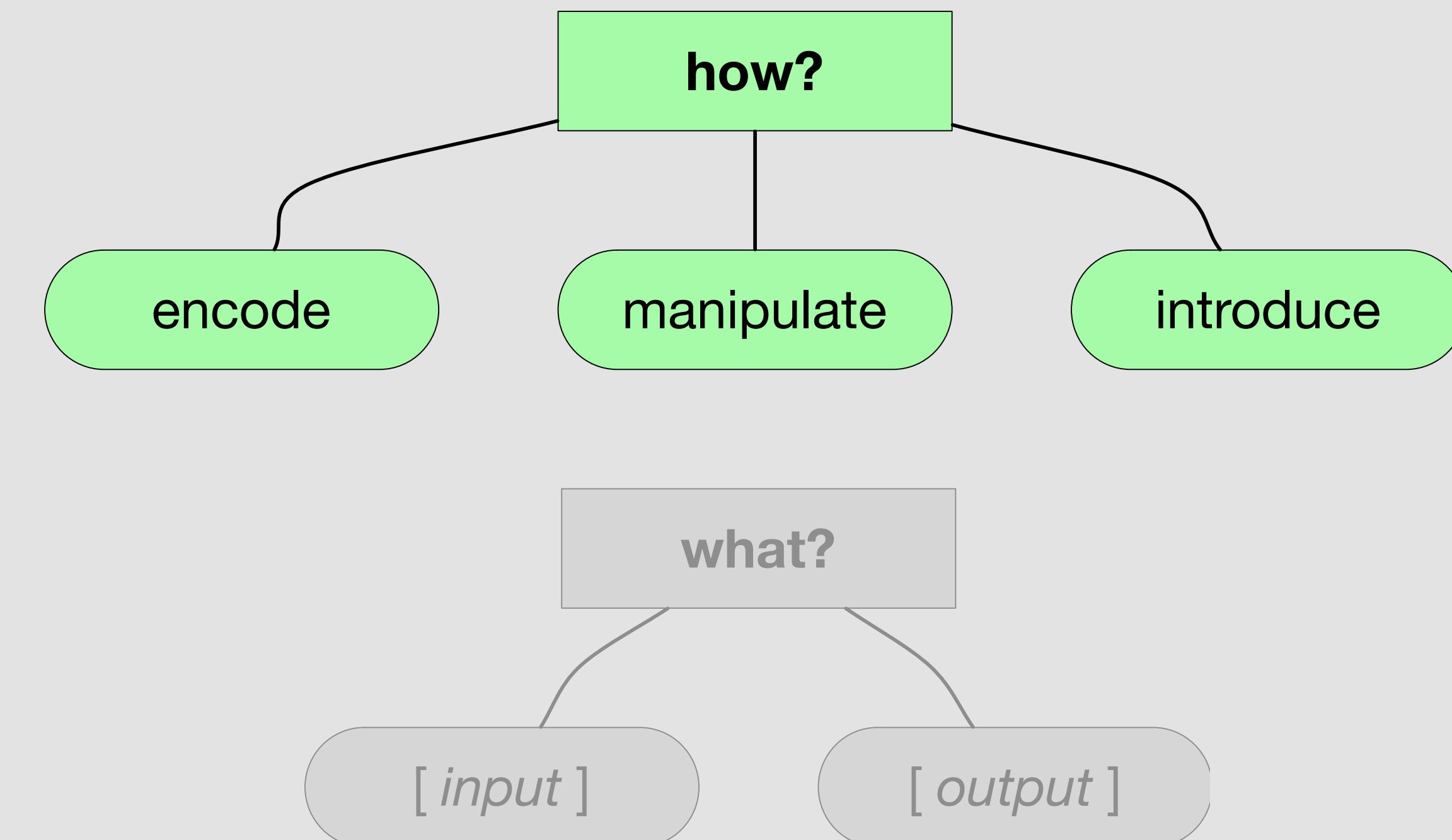


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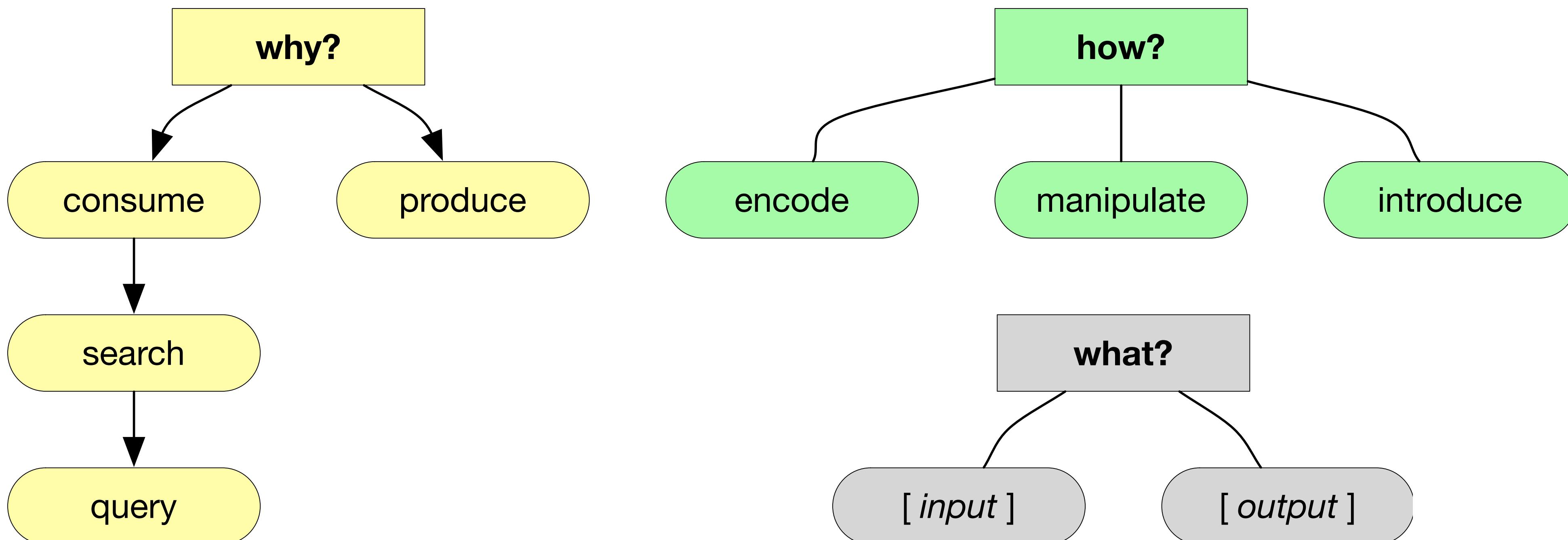
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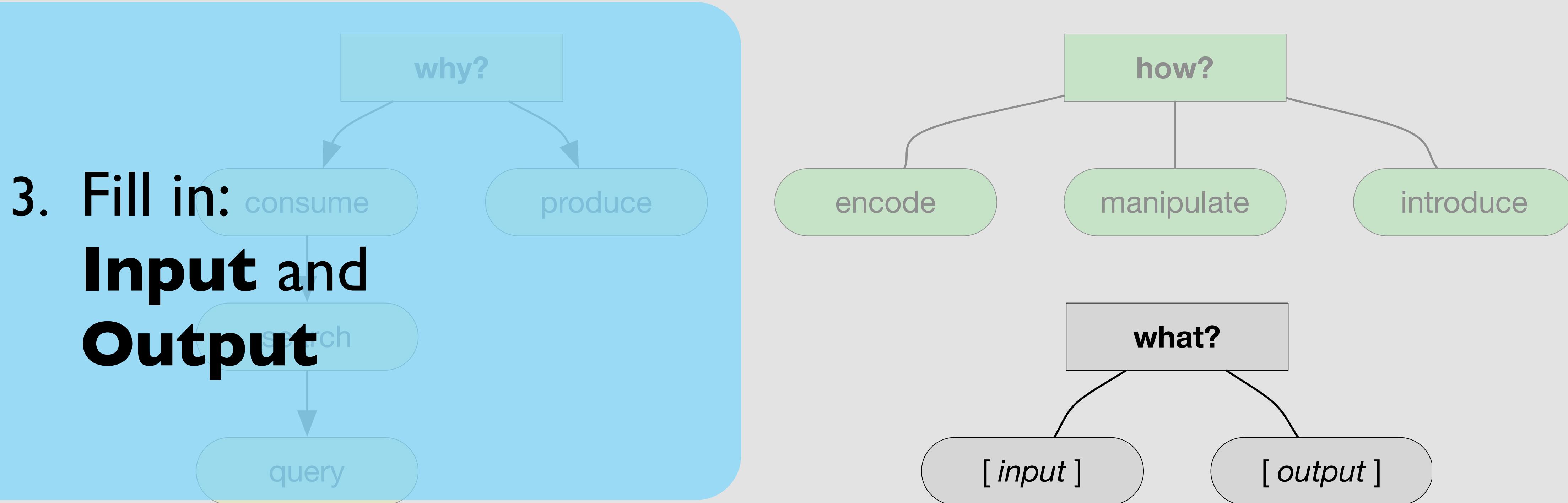
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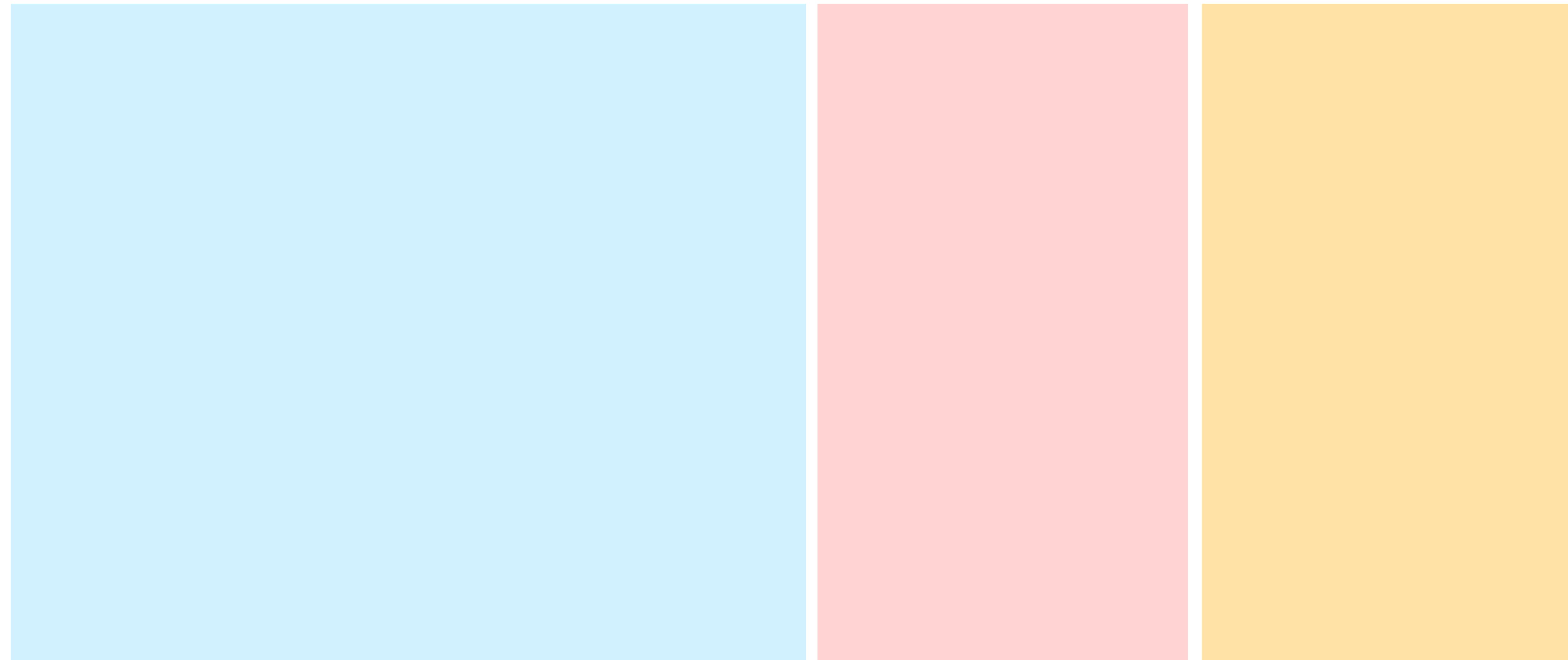
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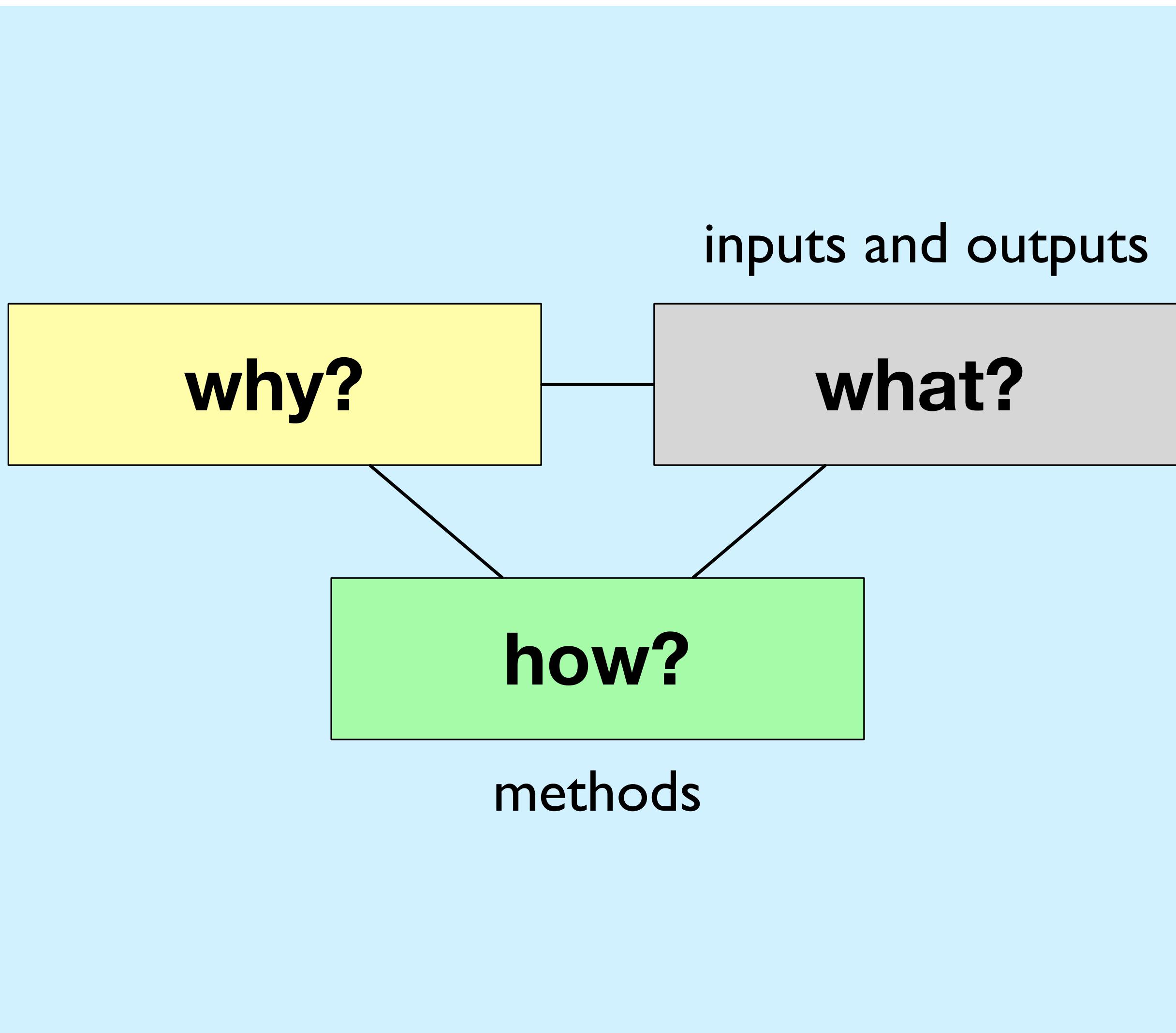
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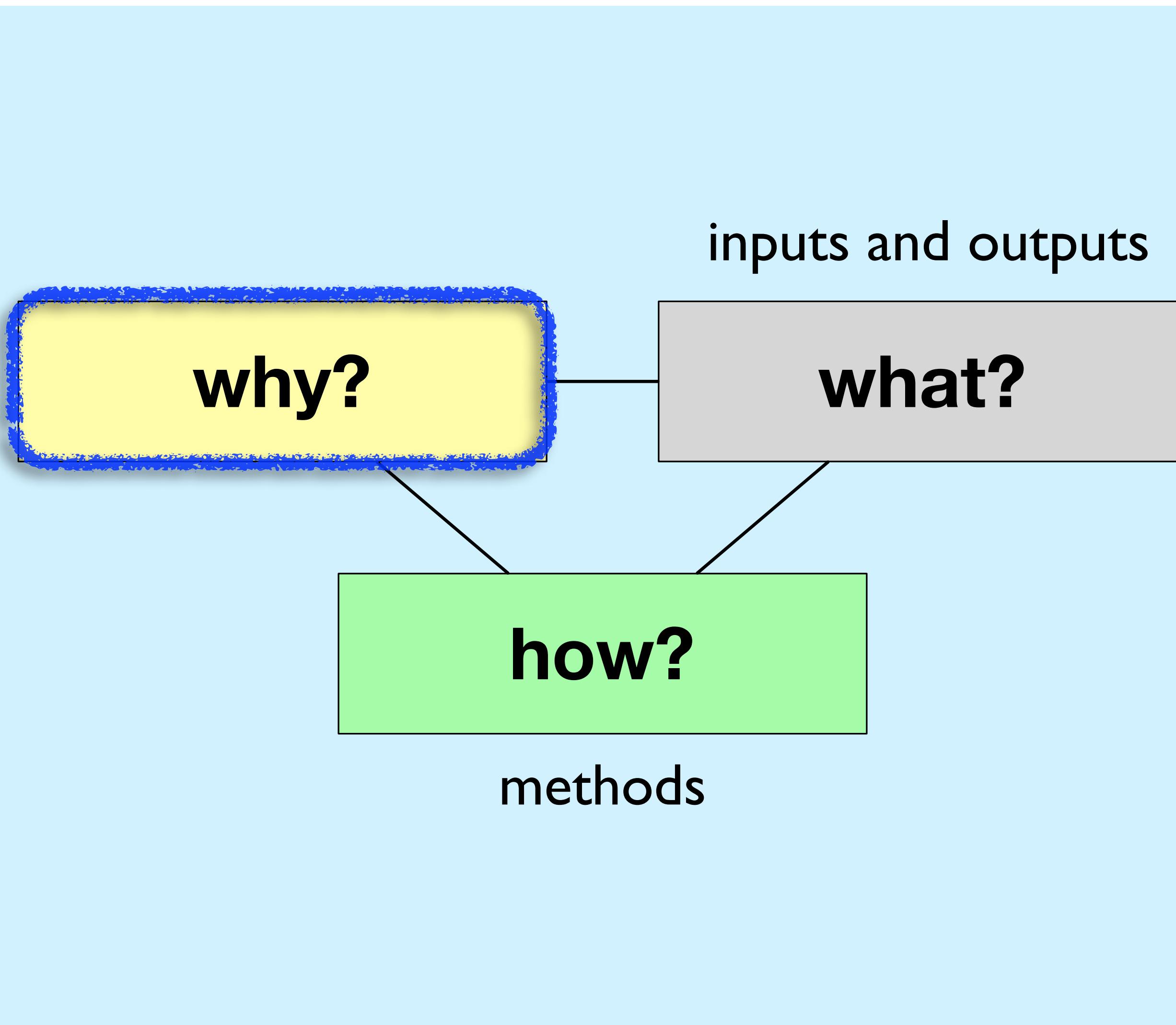
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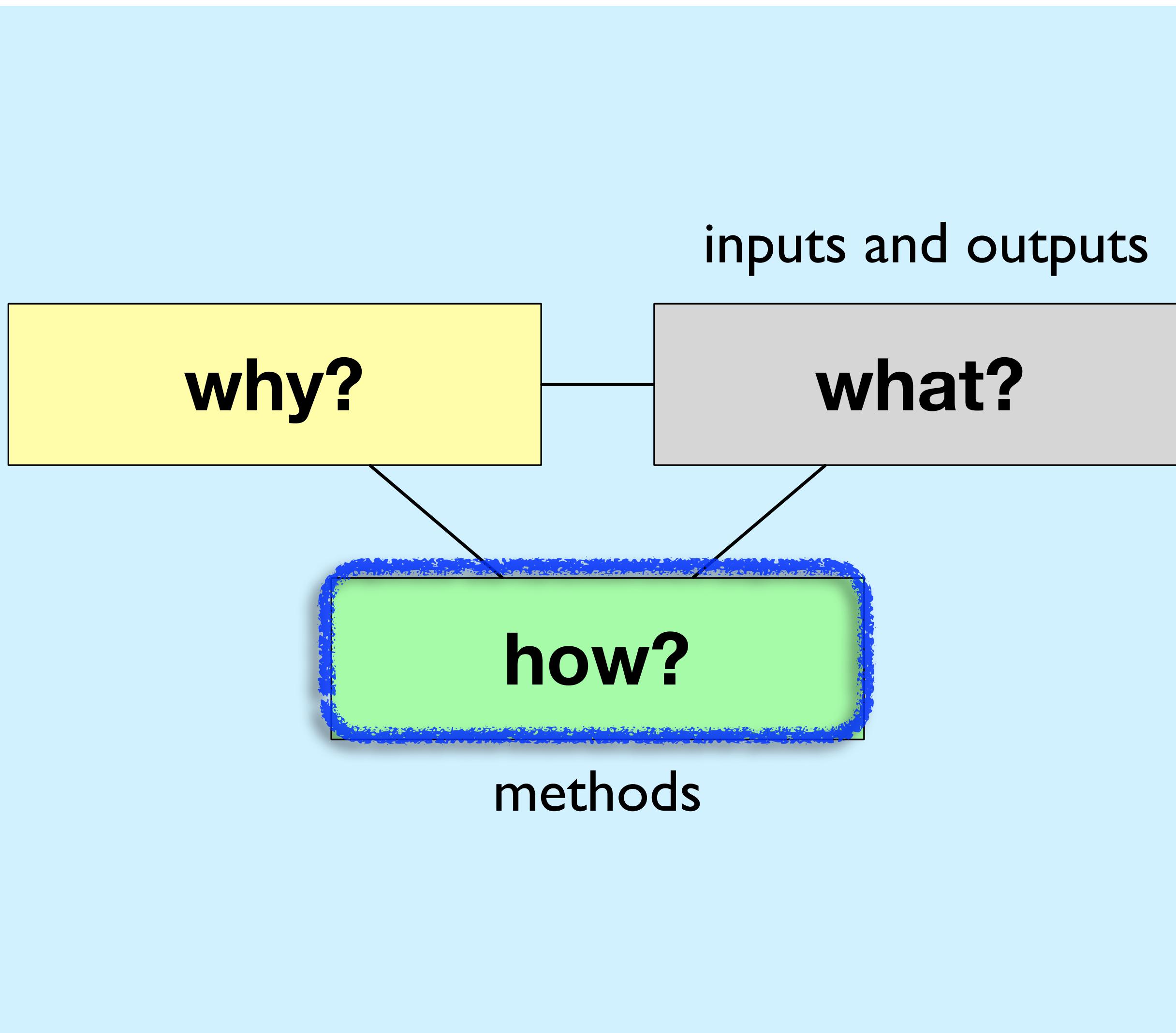
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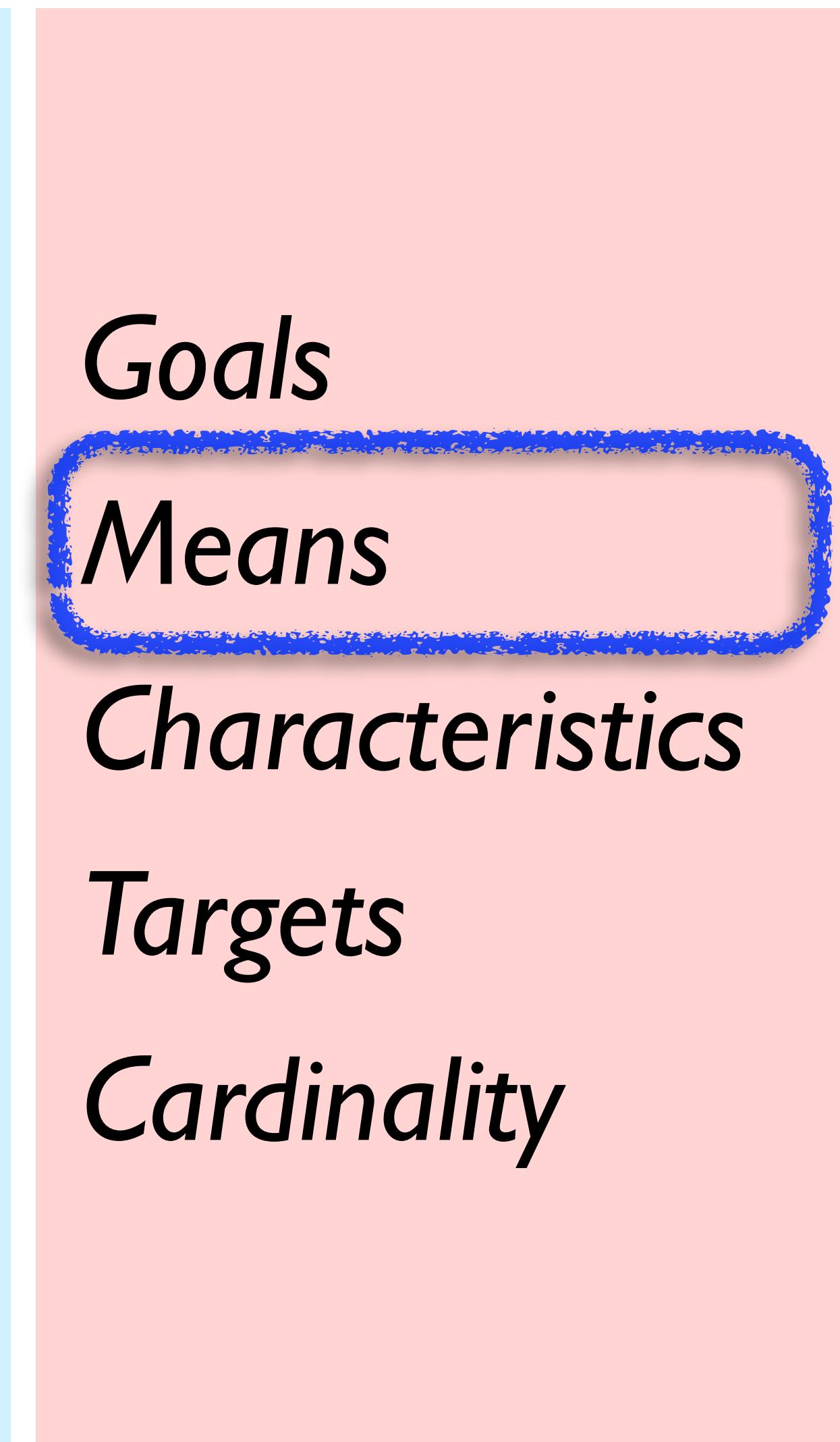
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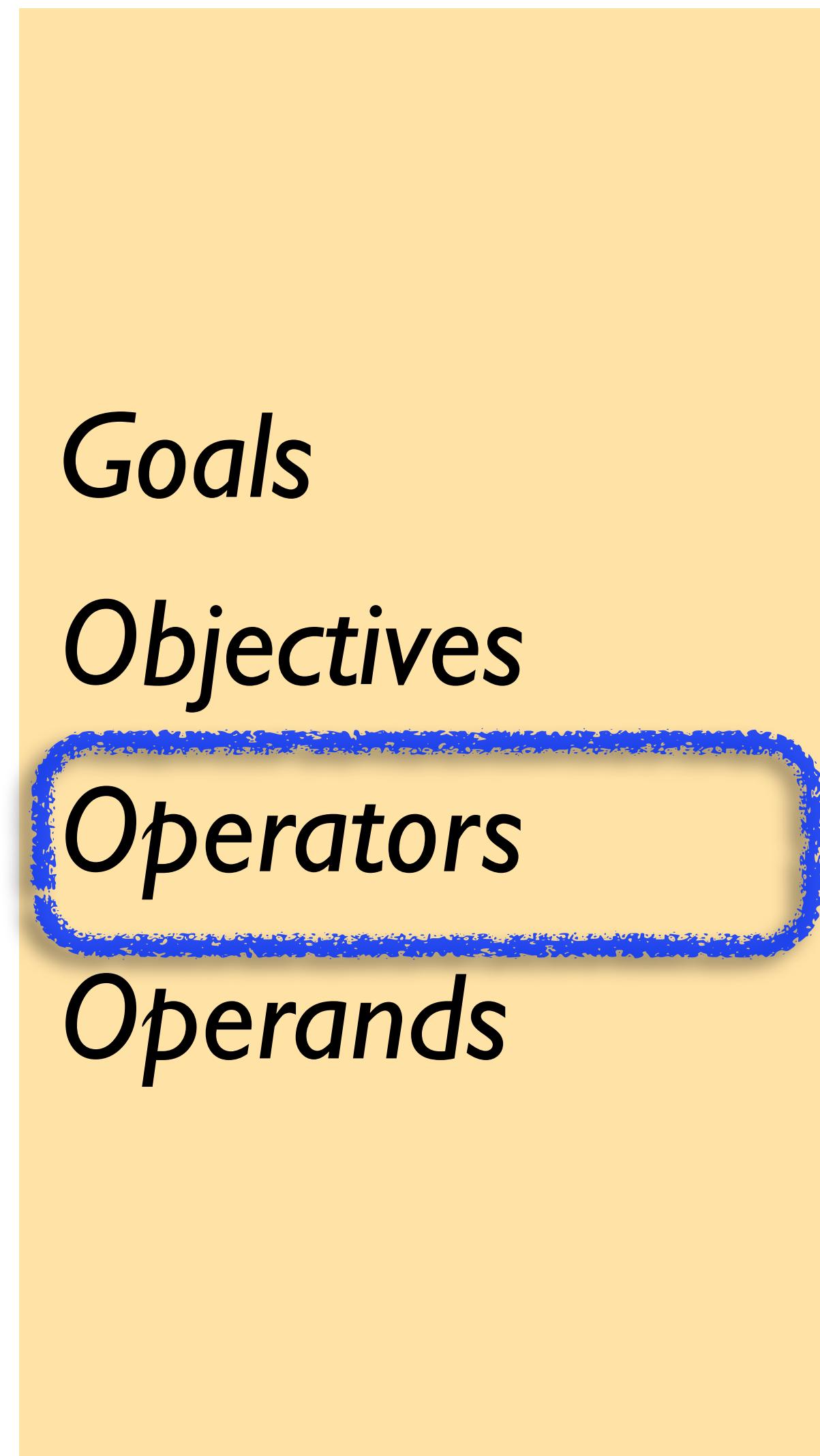
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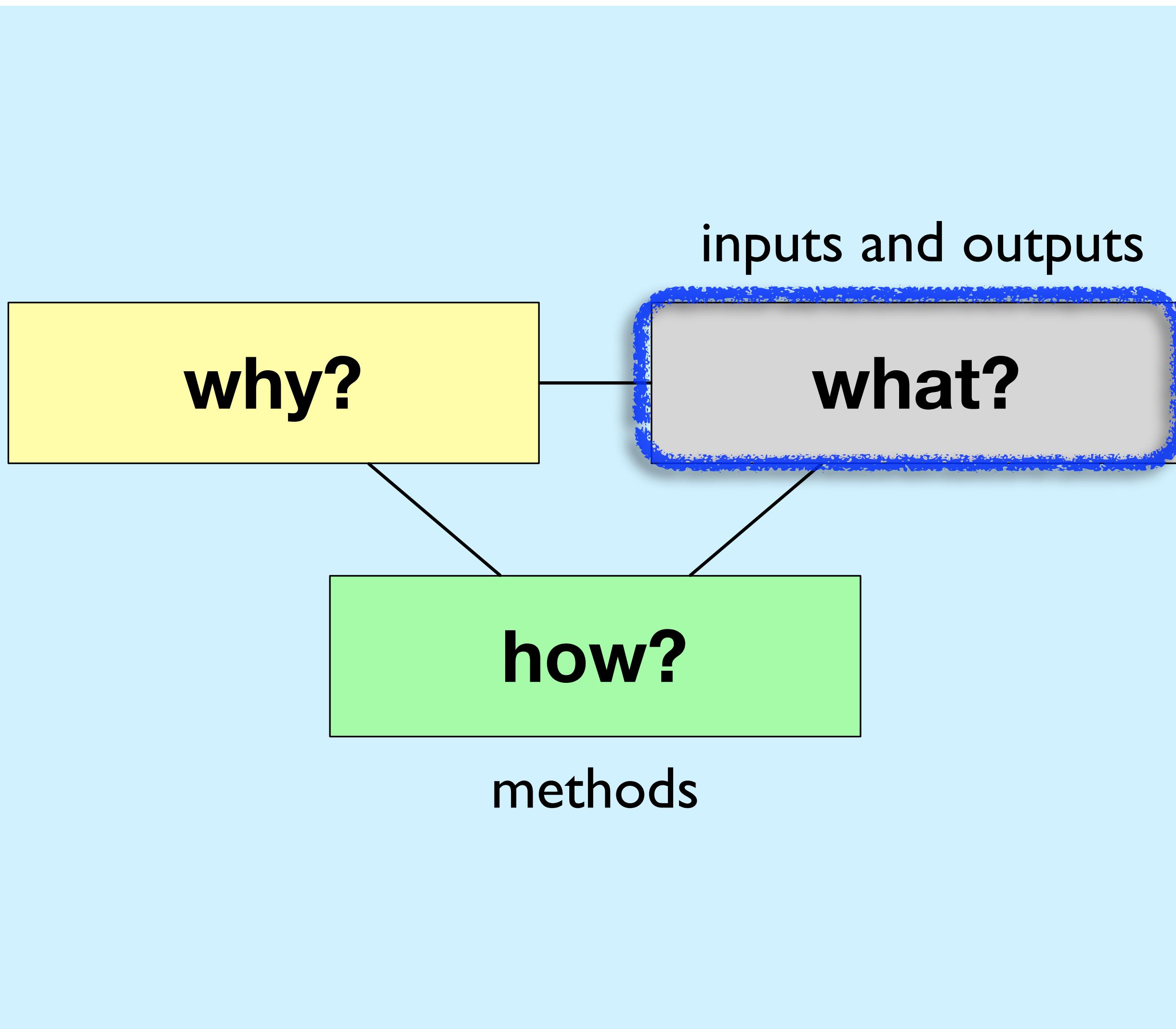
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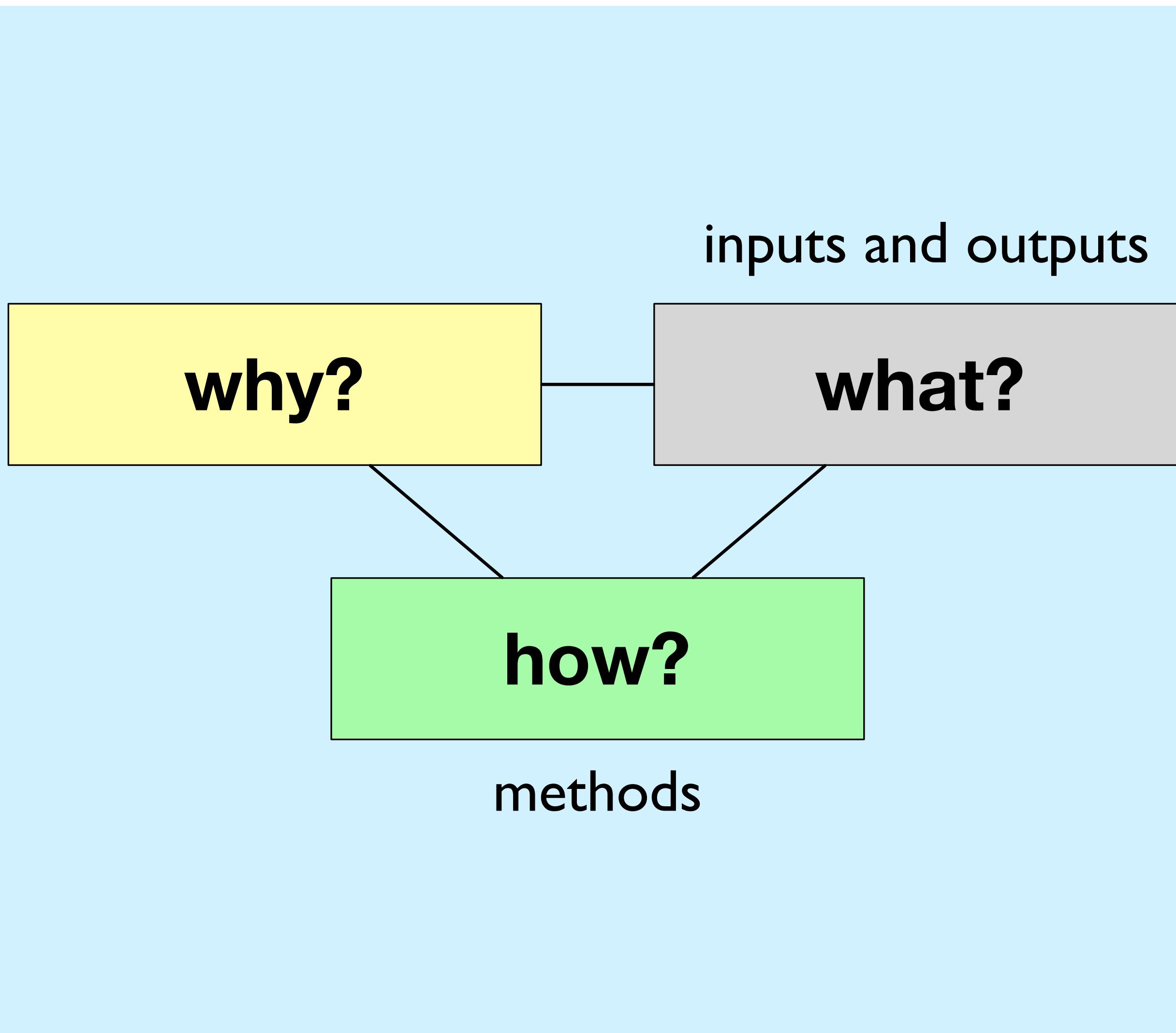
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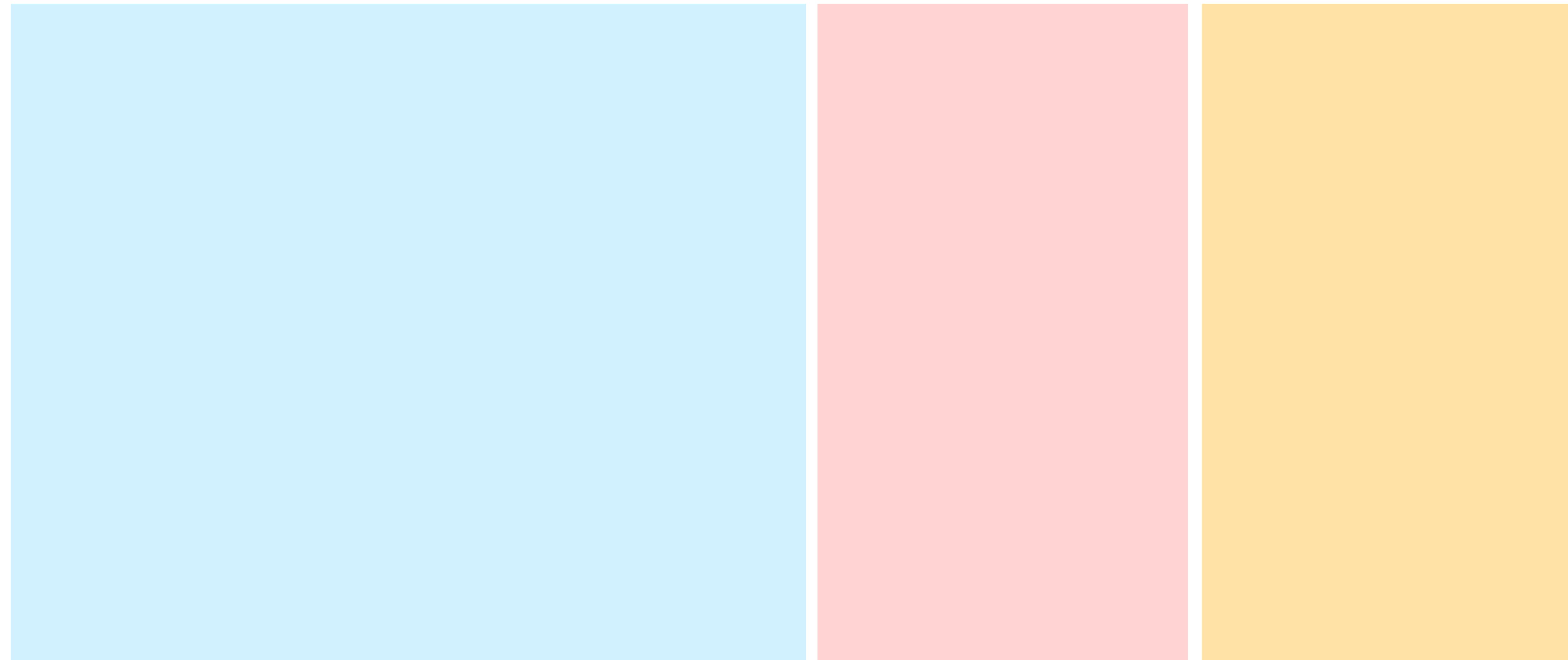
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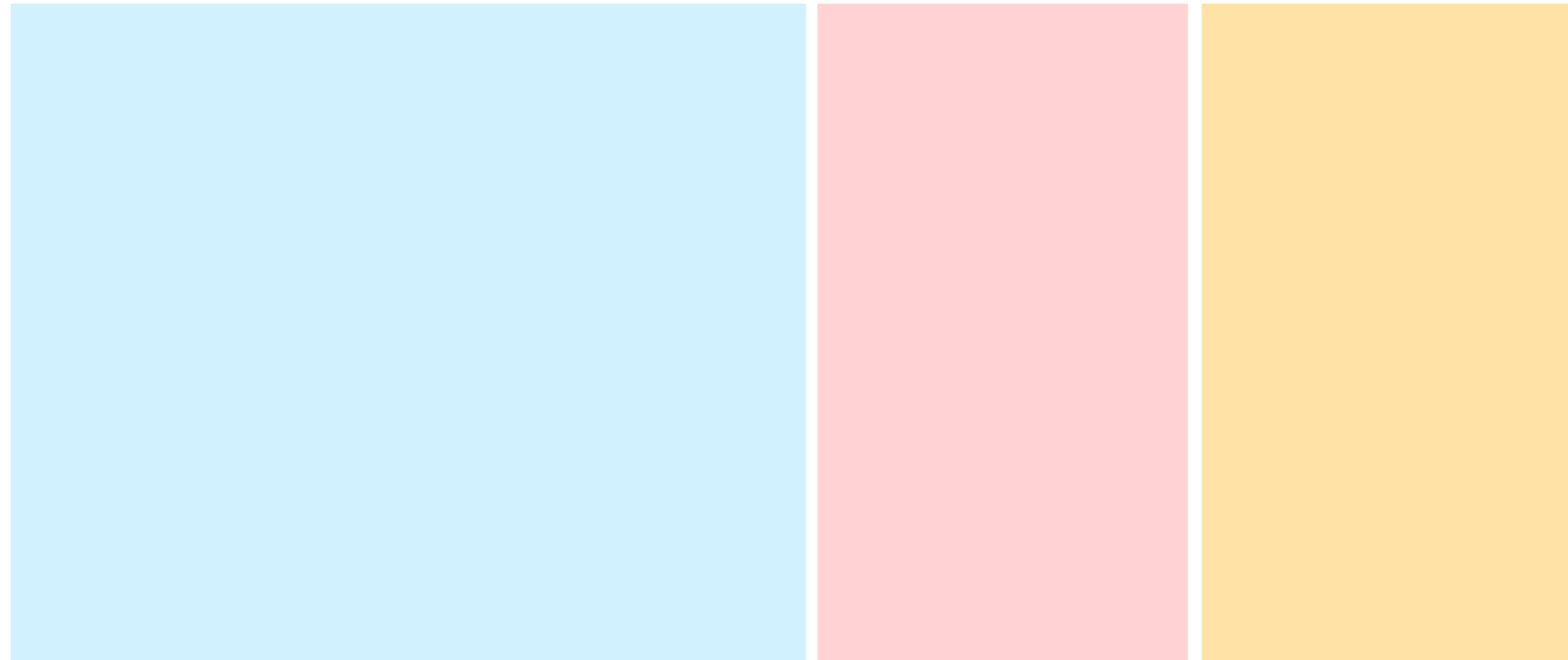
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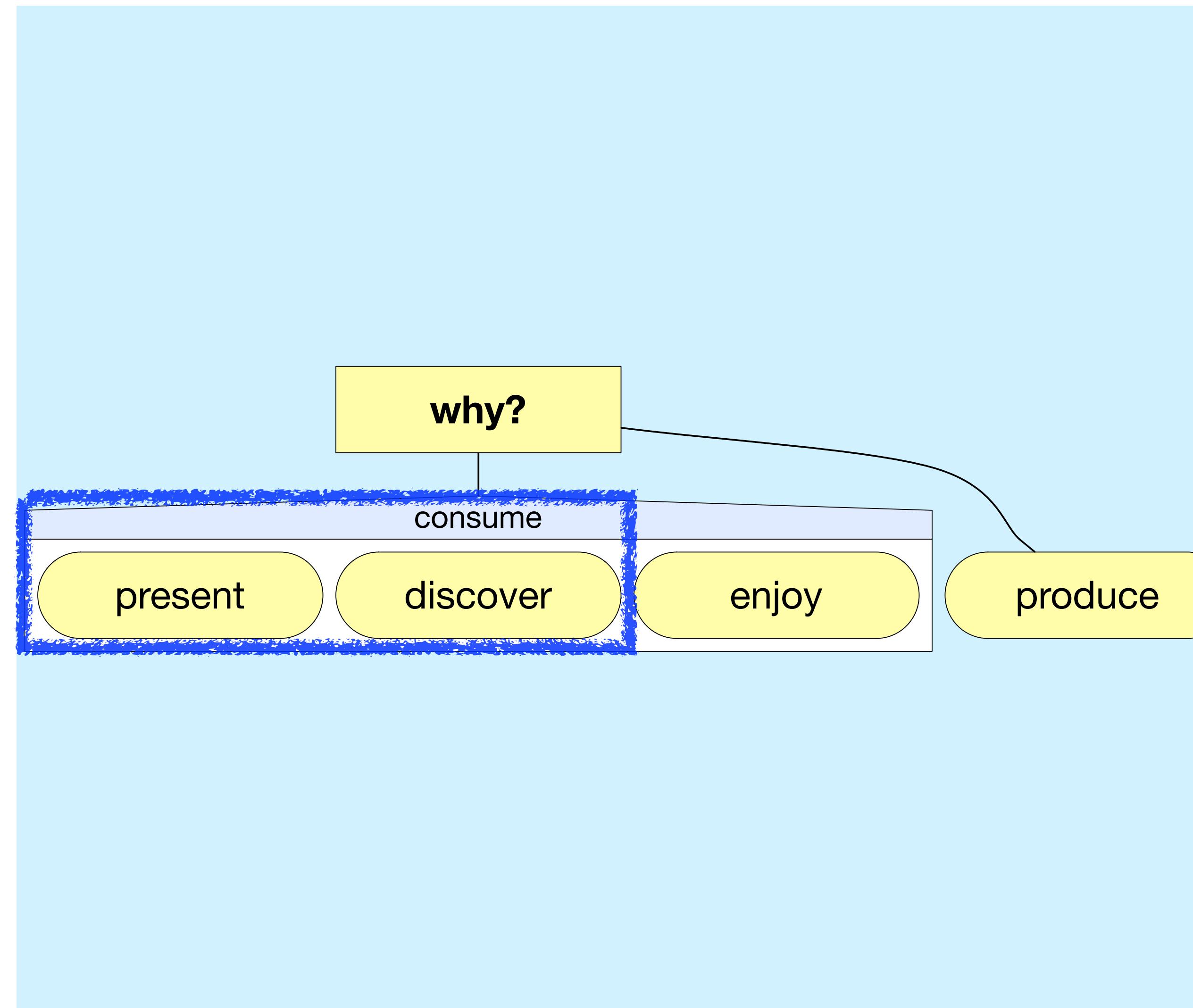
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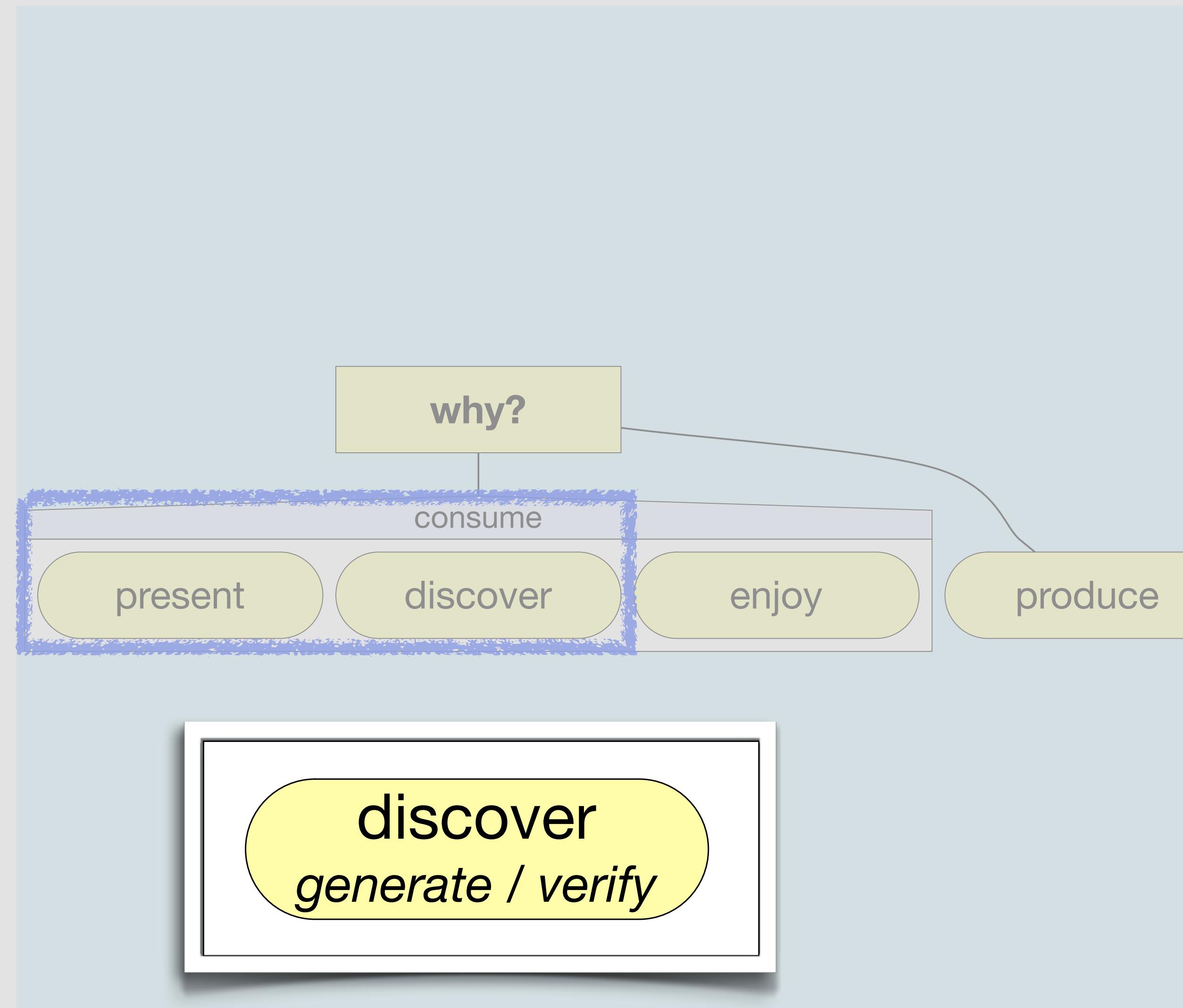
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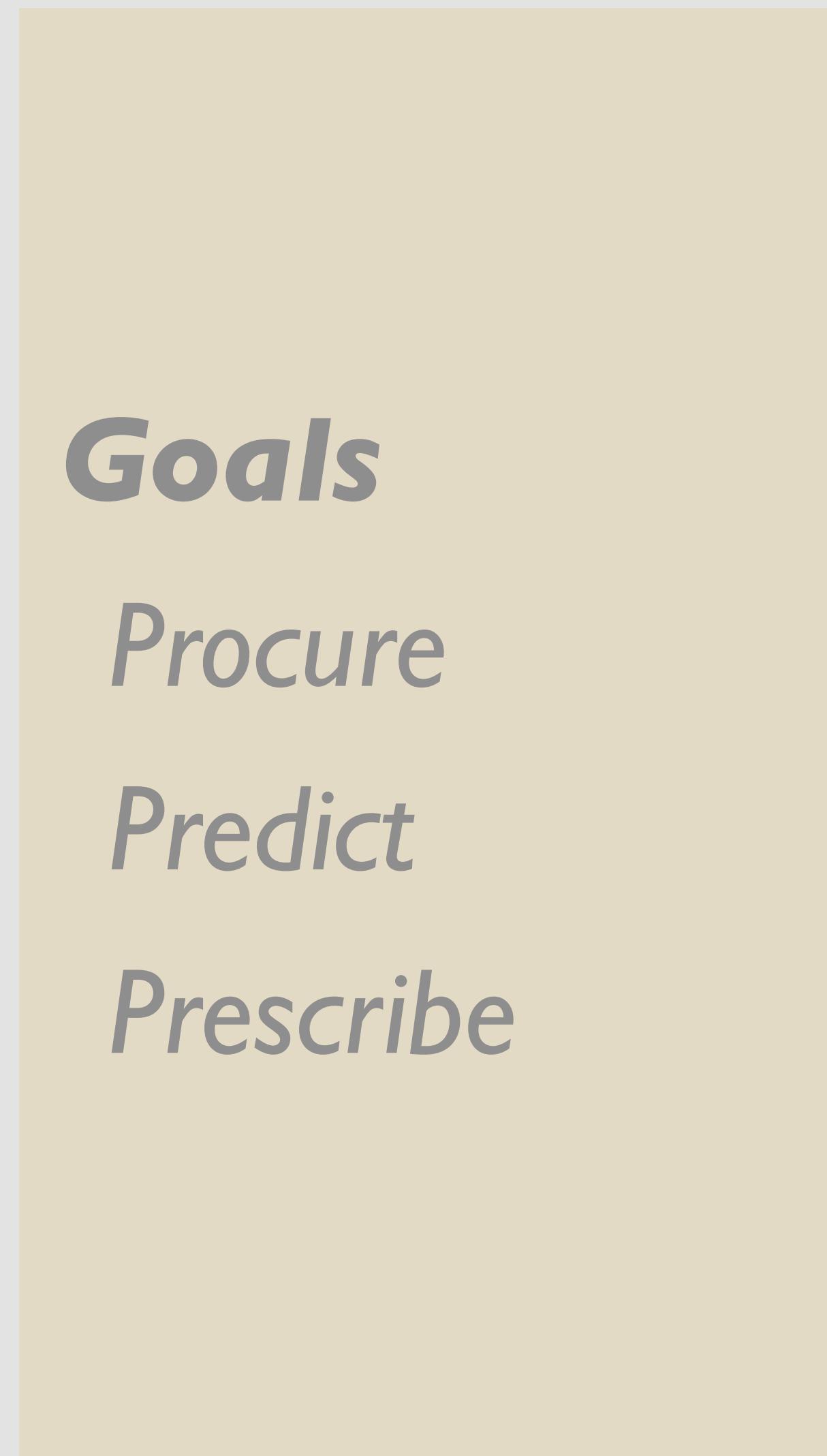
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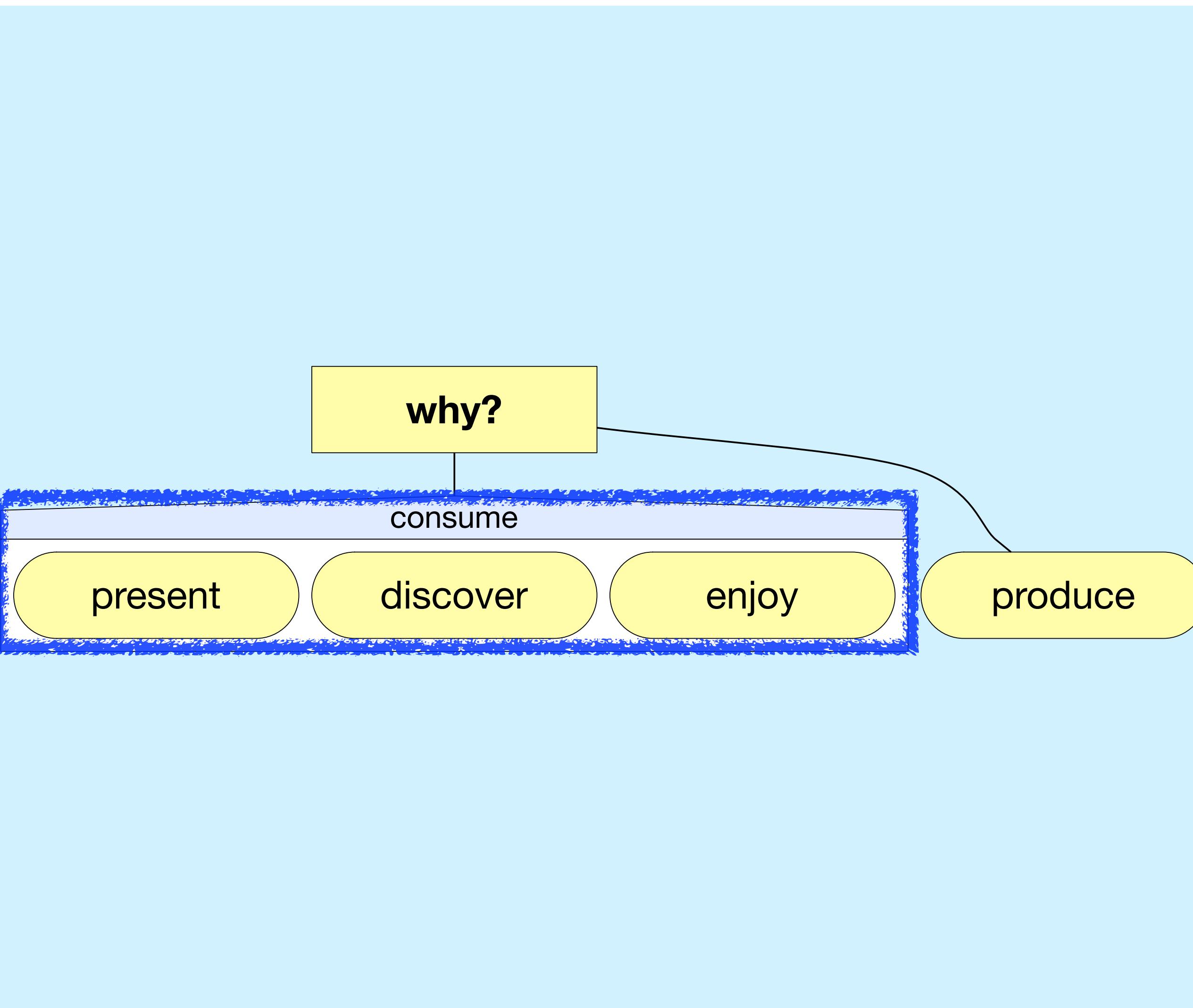
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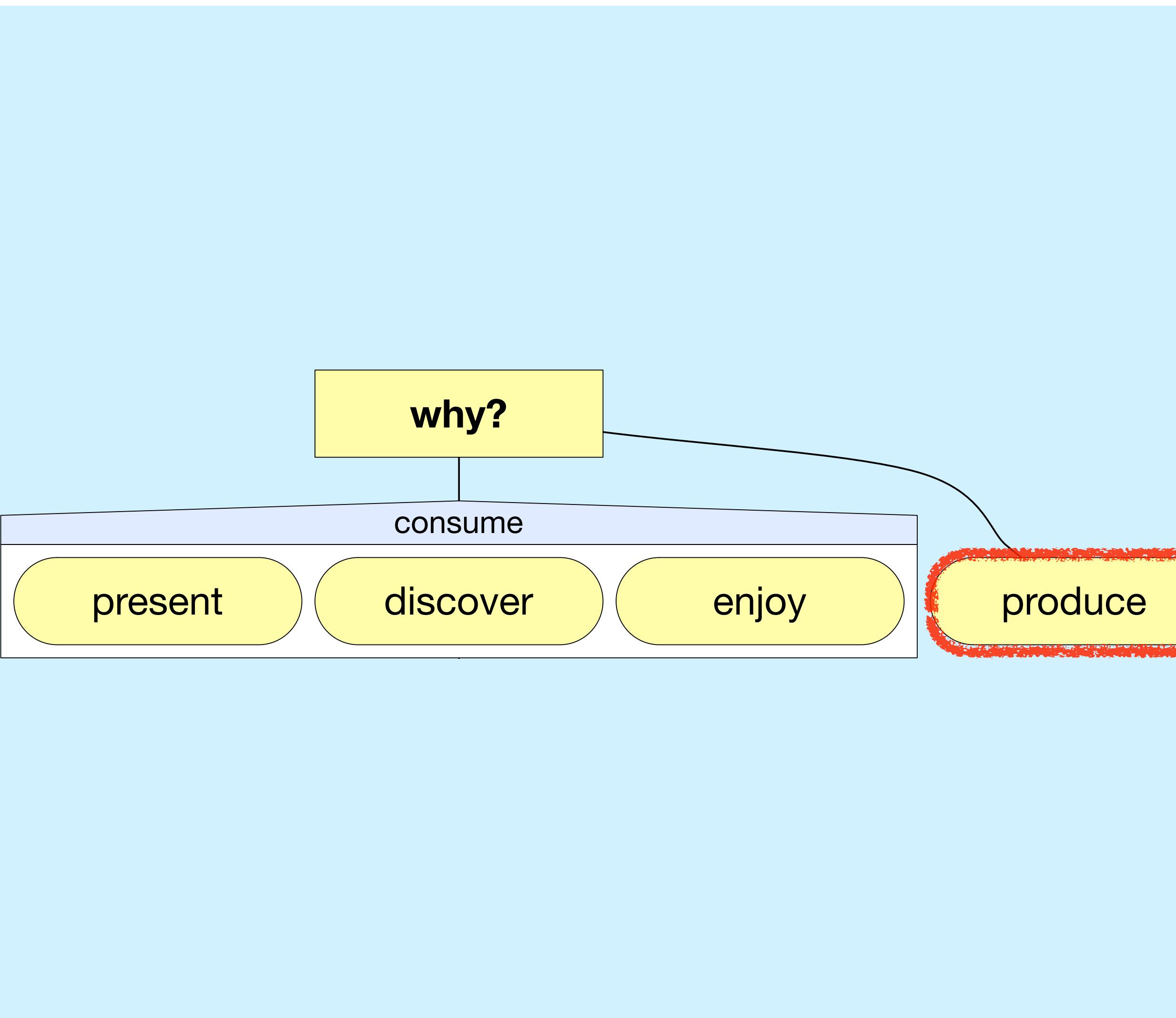
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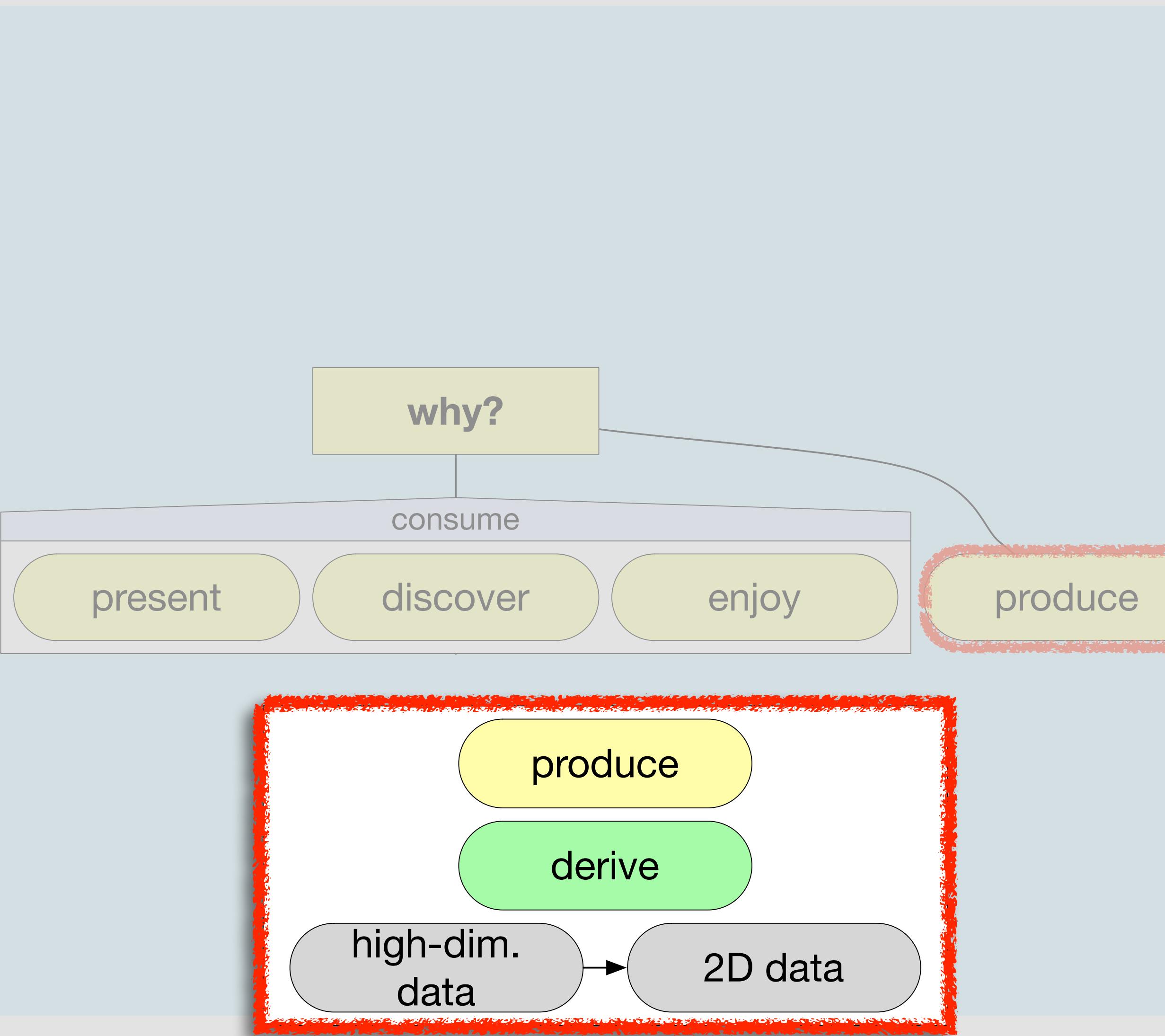
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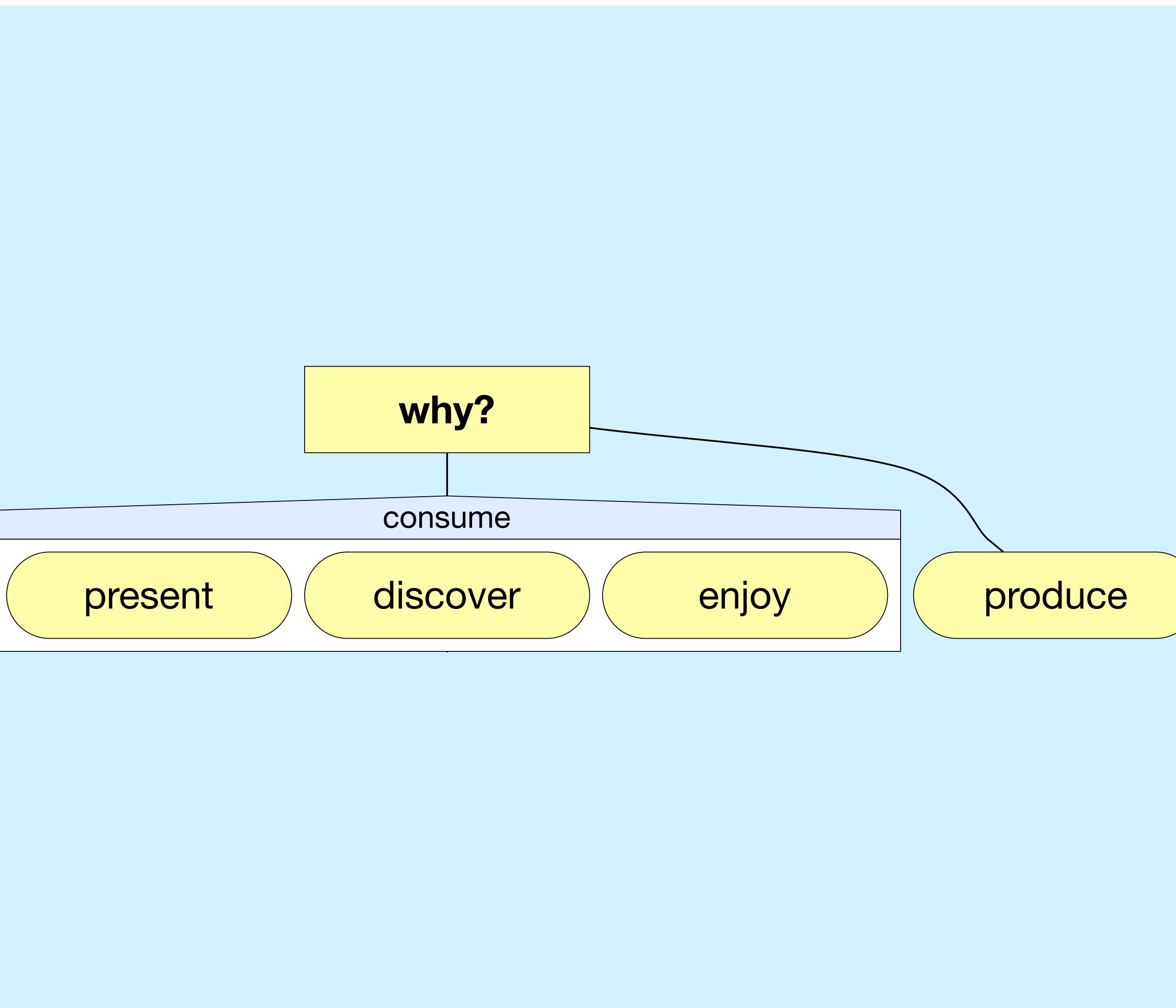
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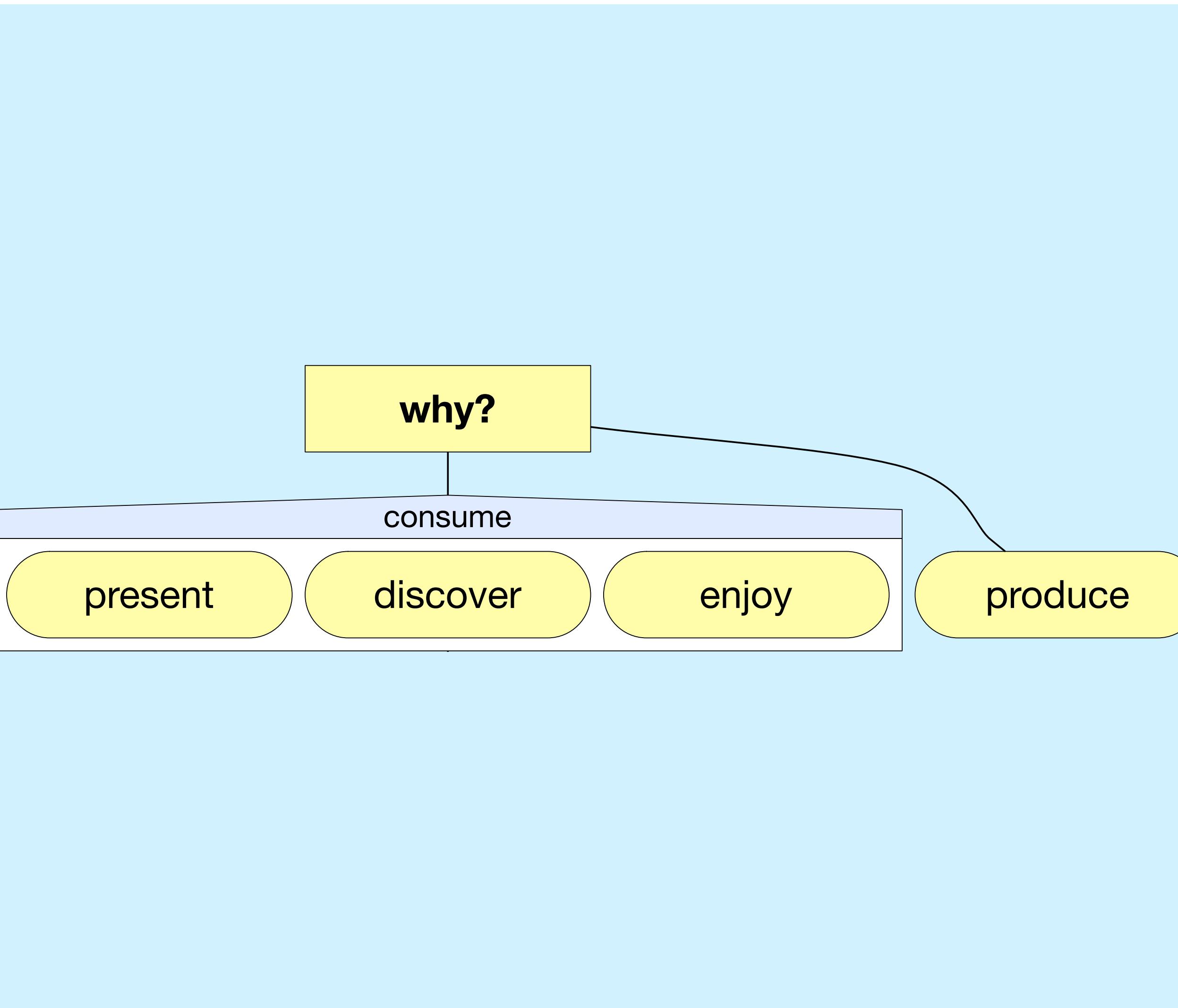
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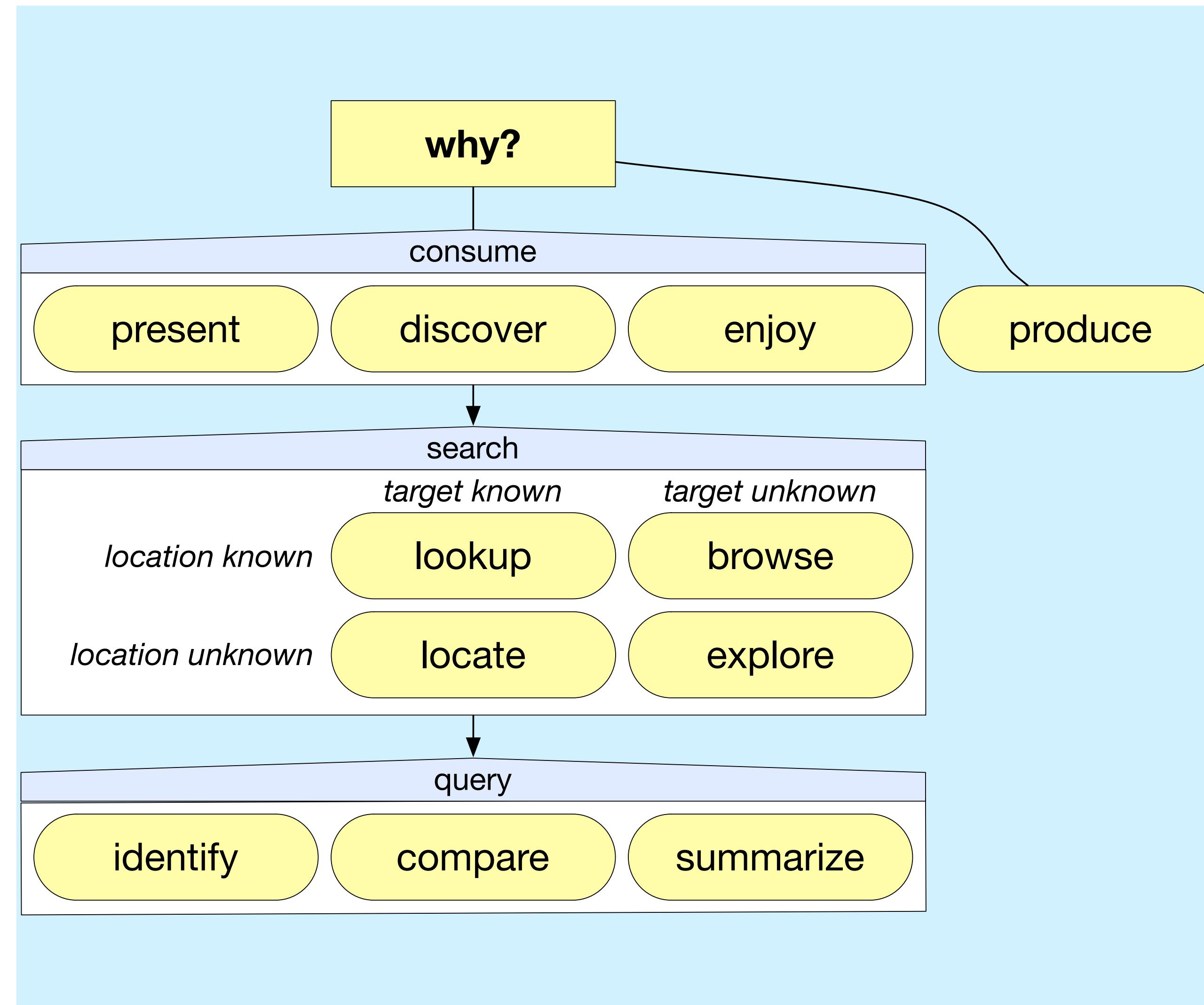
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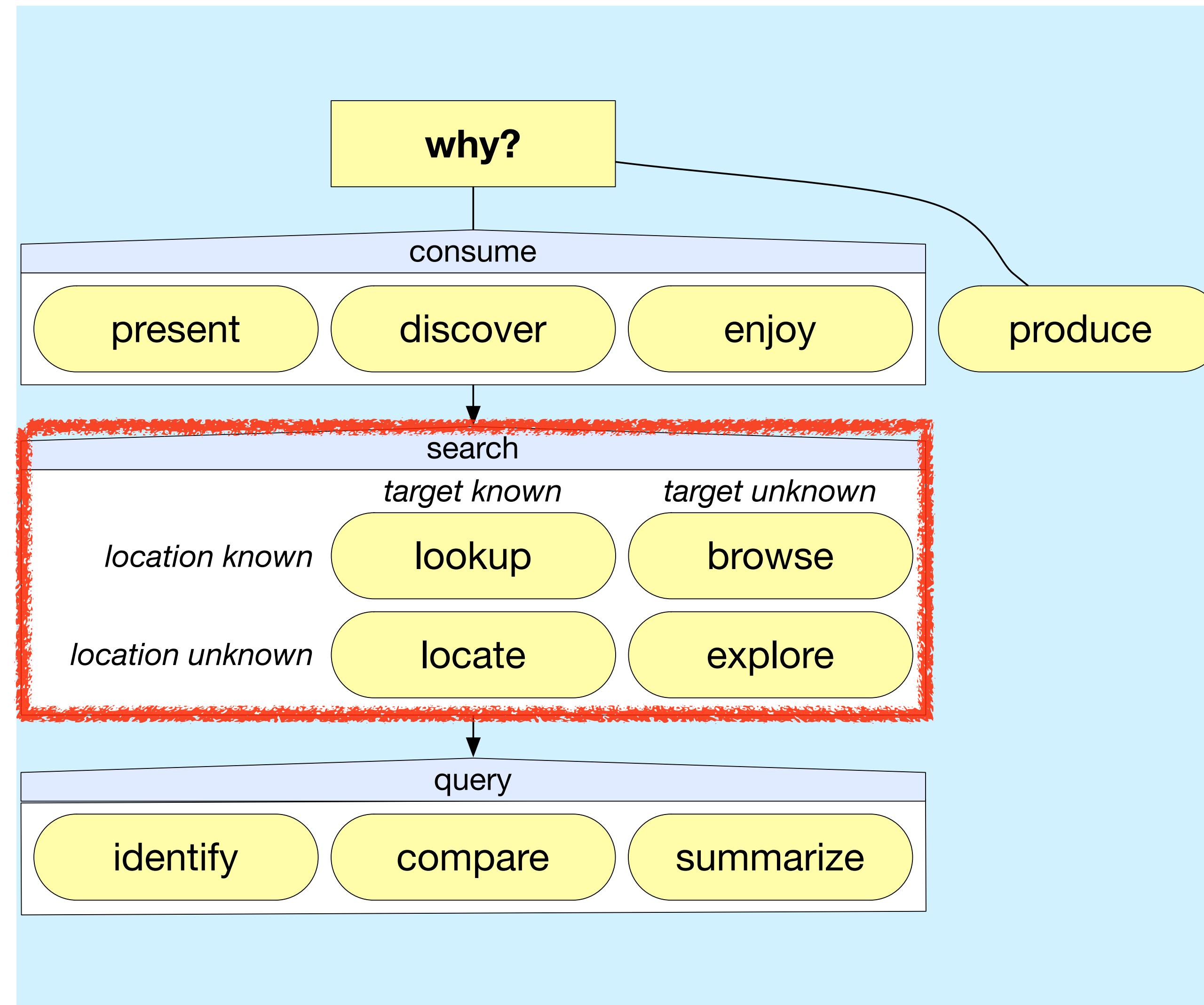
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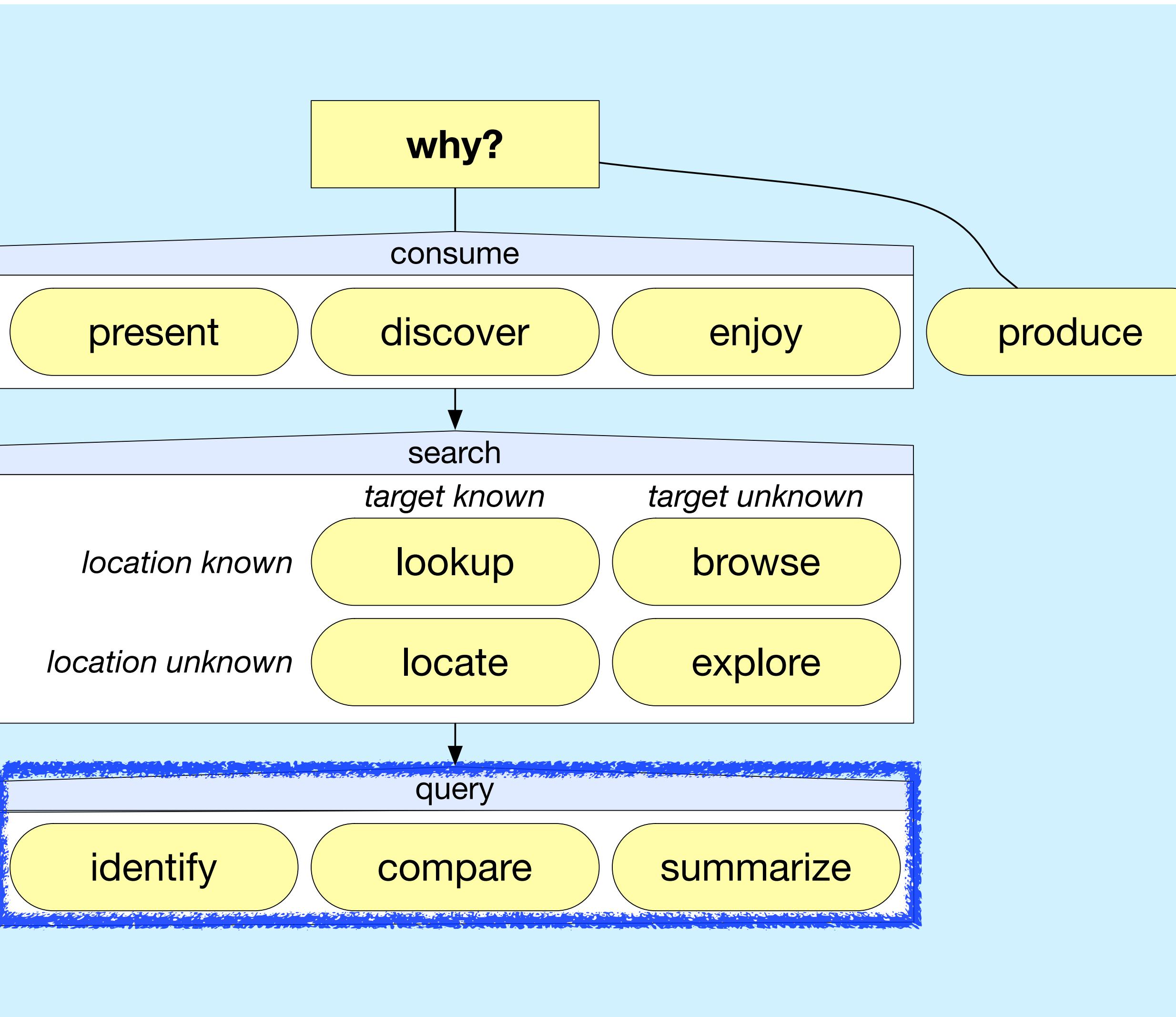
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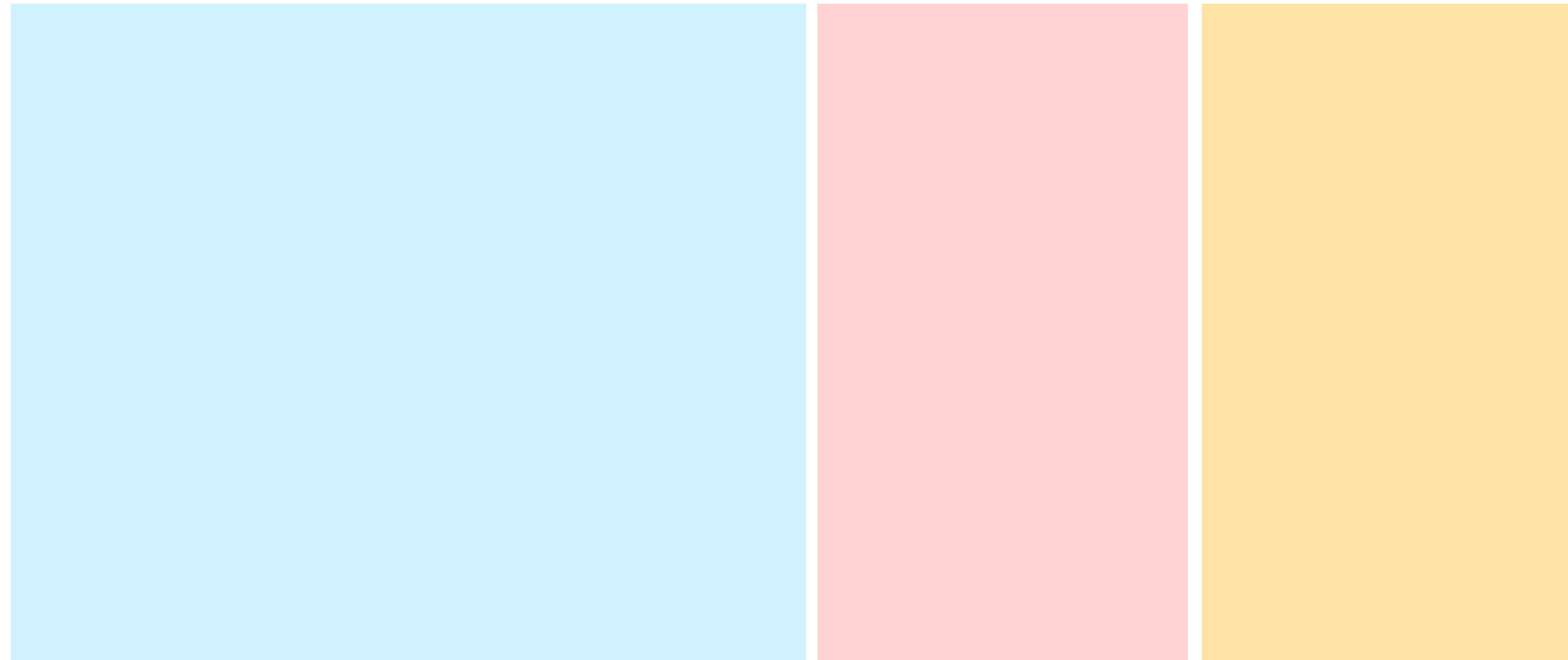
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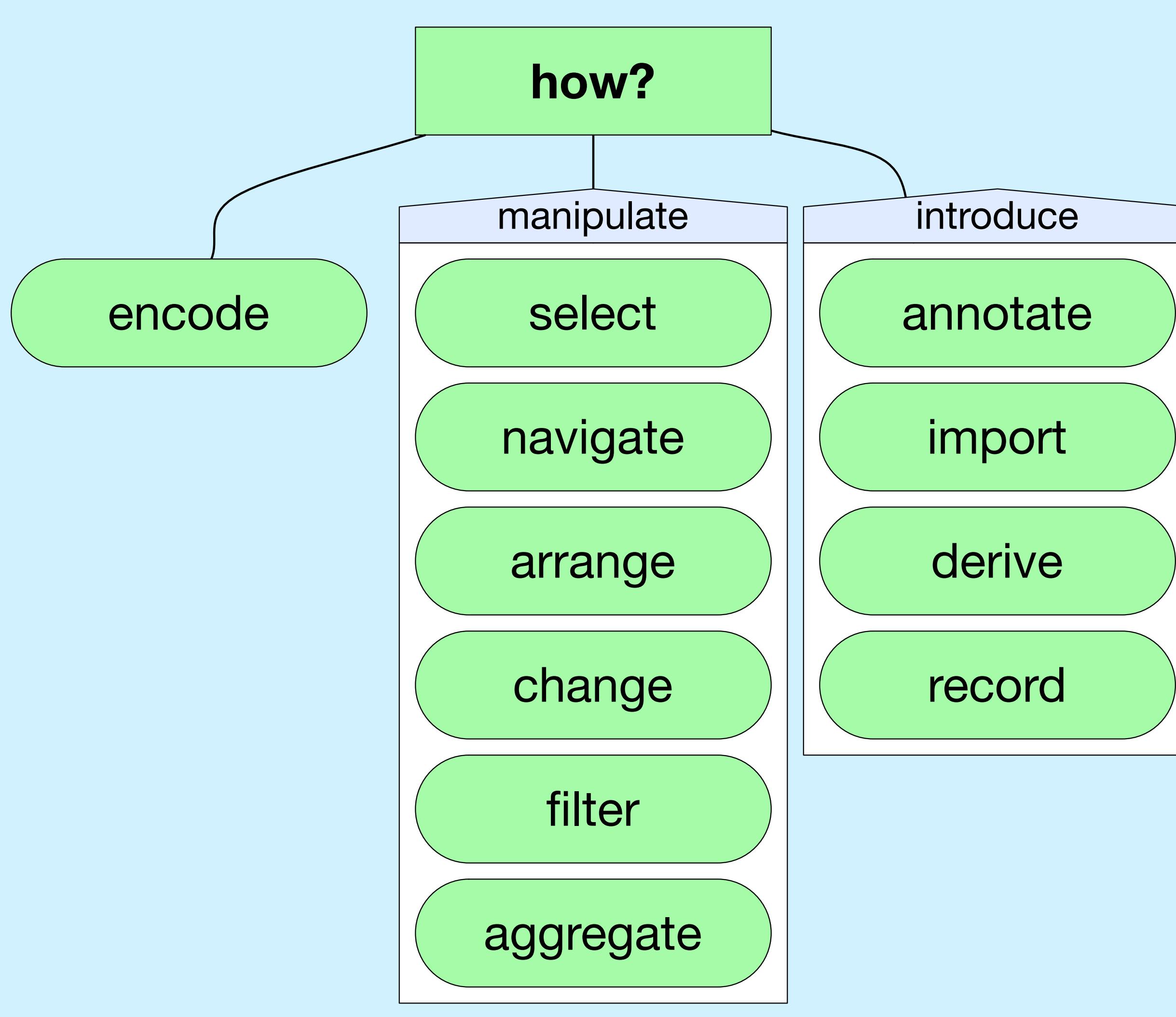
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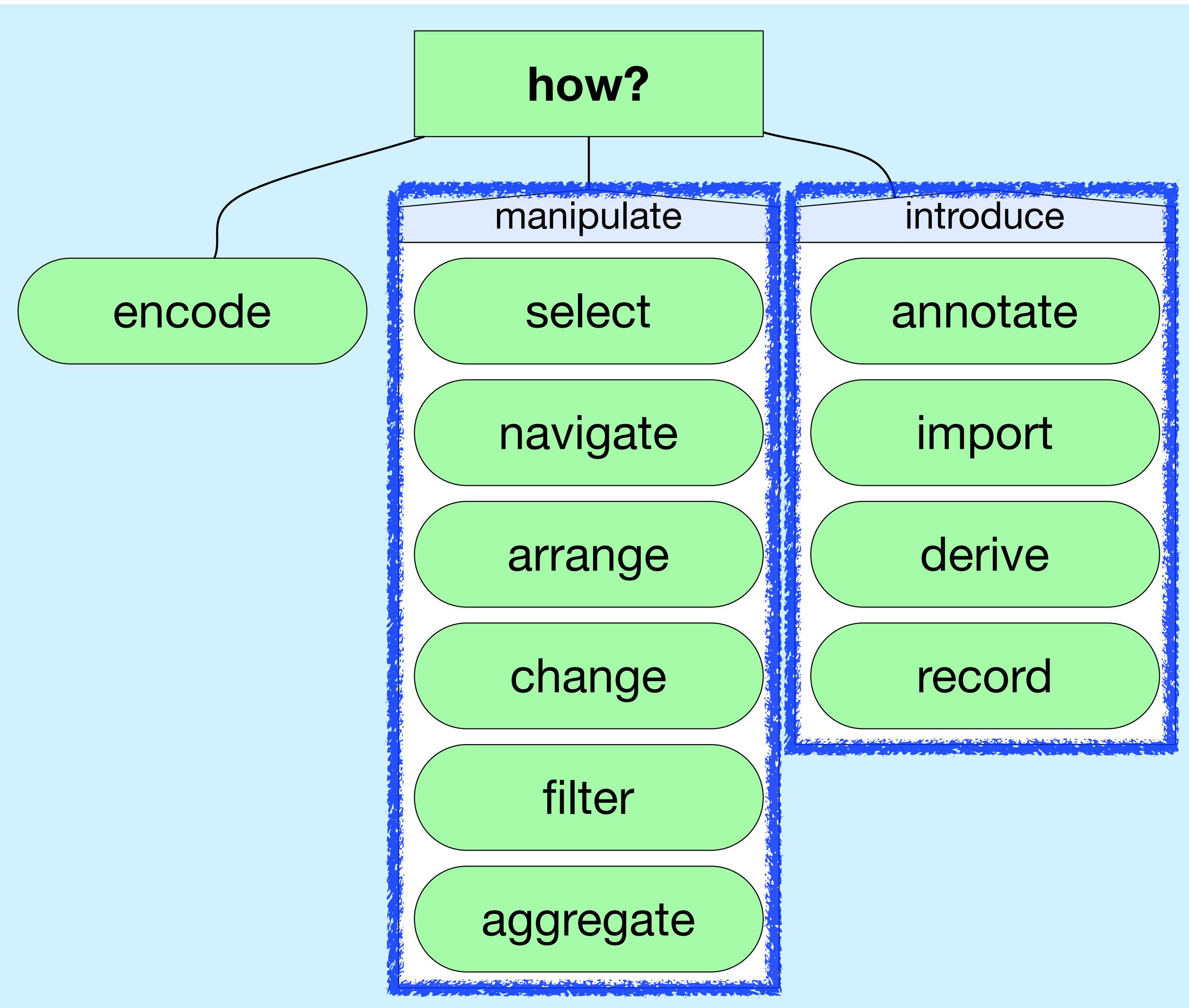
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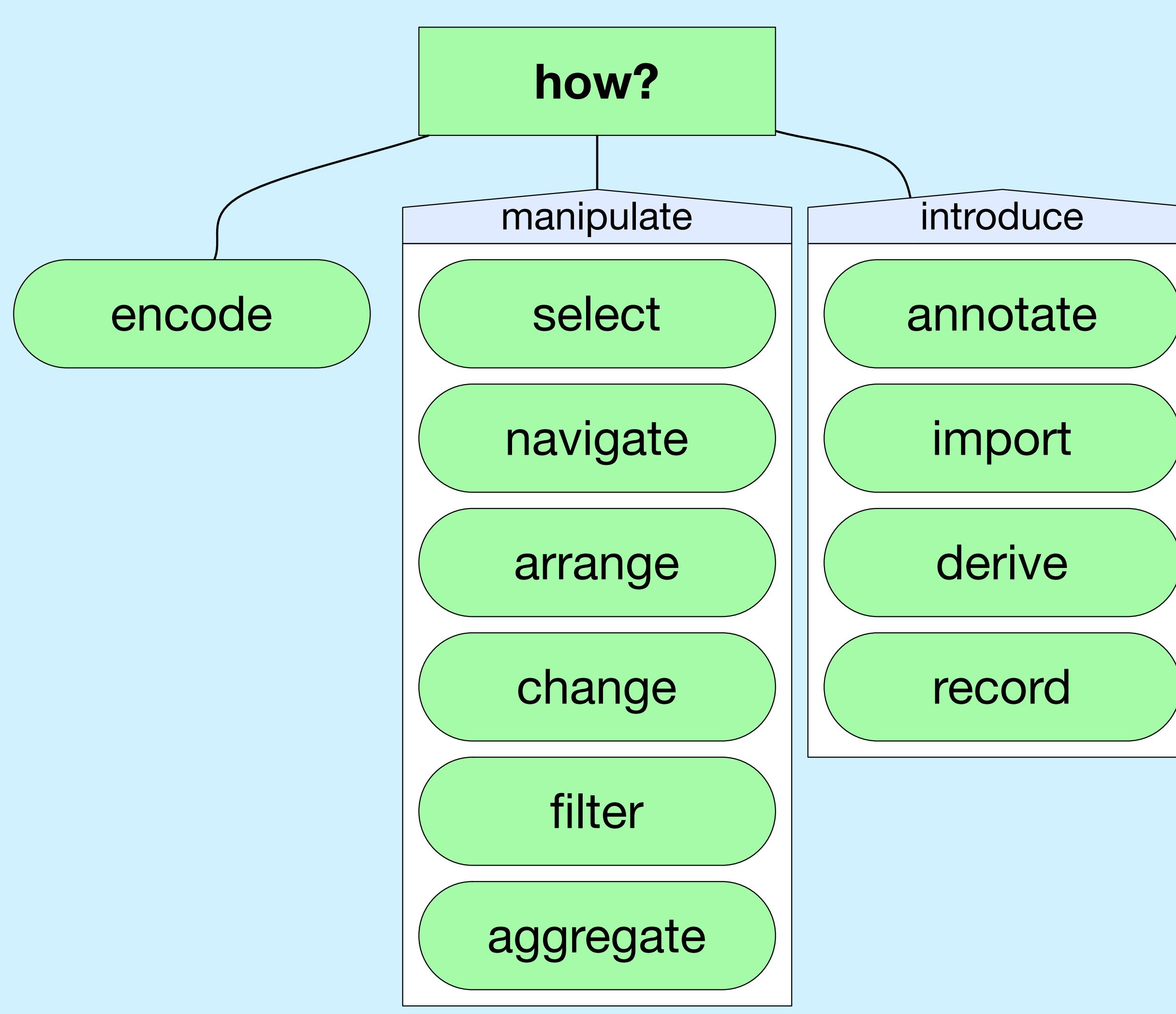
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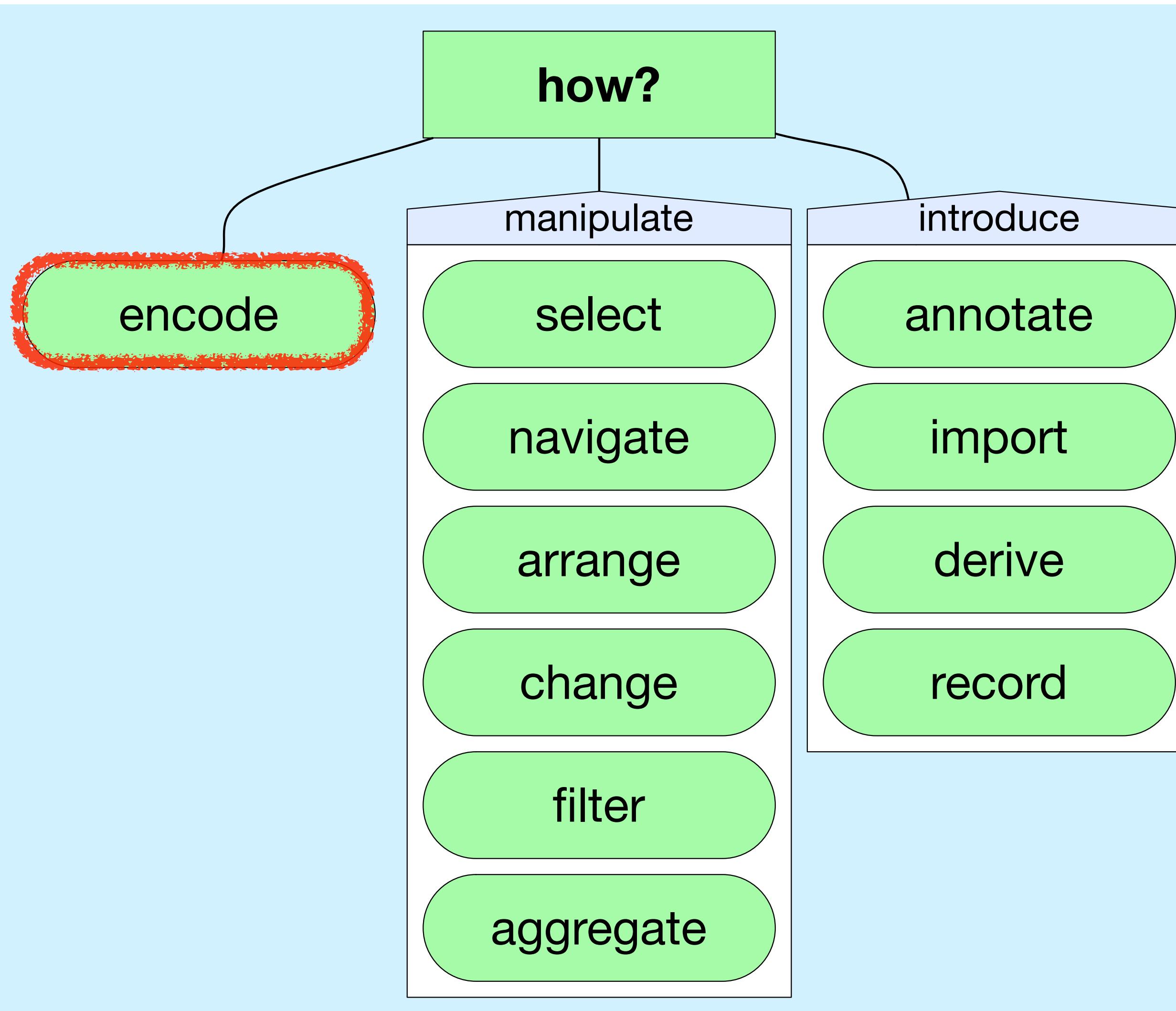
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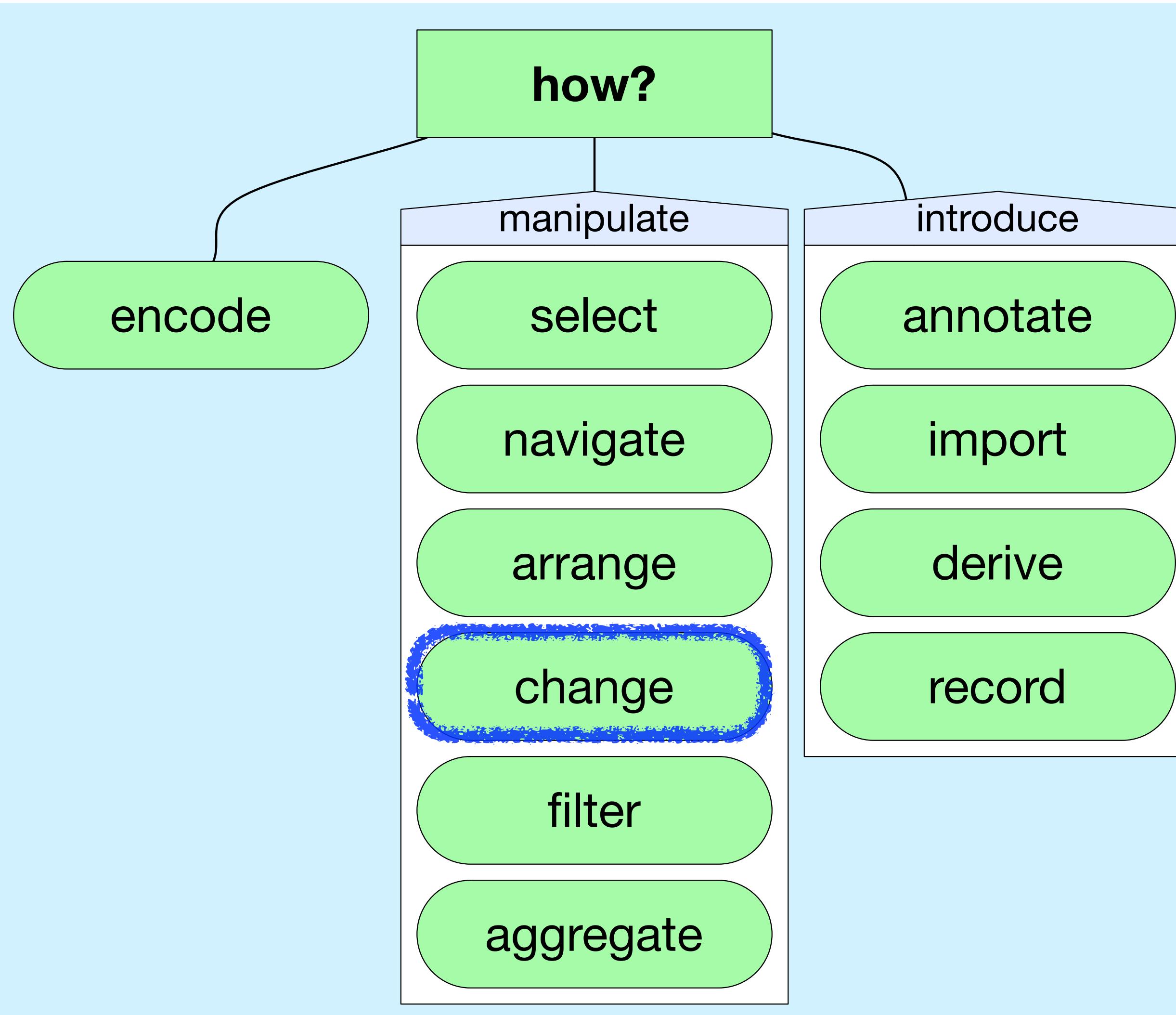
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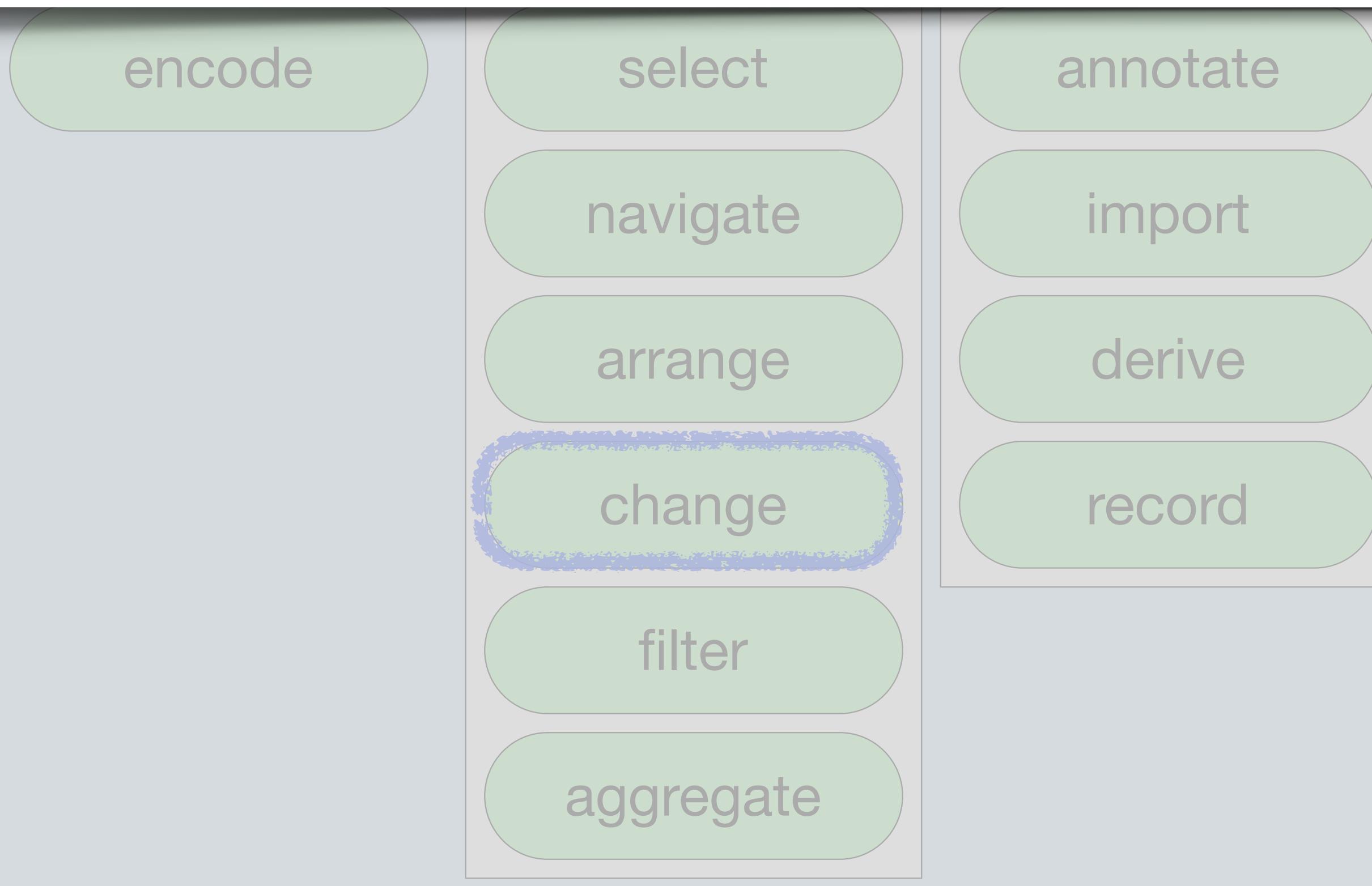
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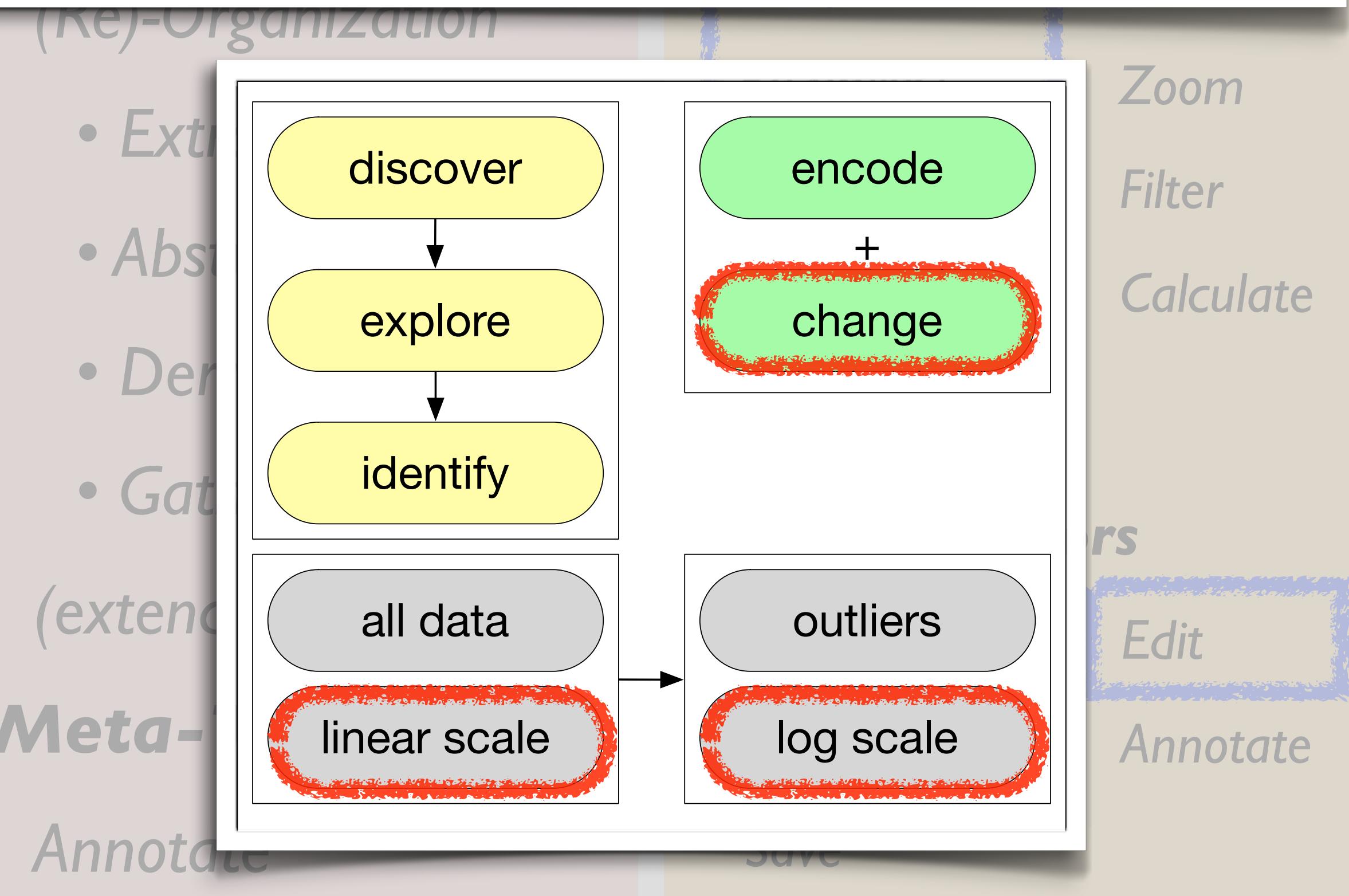
change (parameters) [15]* [13], *change (metaphor)* [19]*, *change (representation)* [15]*, *change (vis. encoding)* [44],
transform [56]*[40, 80], *transform (mapping), shift, scale, set (graphical value)* [14]*, *rotate, scale* [13], *configure* [73]*,
animate [13, 80], *distort* [29, 75]* [13], *orient / transform* [66]*, *(object) manipulation: transform, stretch, shape* [42]*,
re-express, re-symbolize, re-project [57]*, *edit* [42, 57]*, *activate* [56]*



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- *Extra*
- *Absatz*
- *Durchsetzung*
- *Gattung*



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