

# Smart Contracts and Blockchain\*



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# Contracts

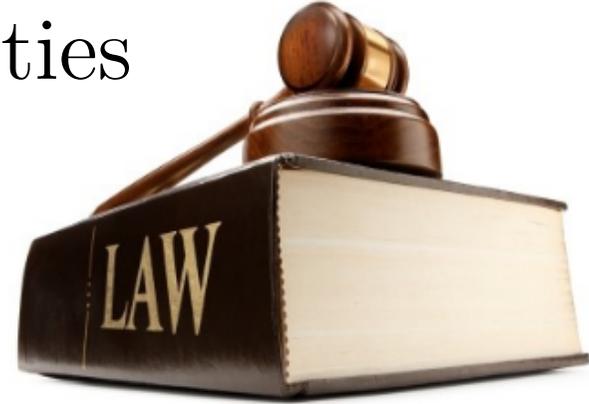


# Contracts

Agreement between parties

Object

Cause



Private Writing



# Contracts



Private Writing / Public Act



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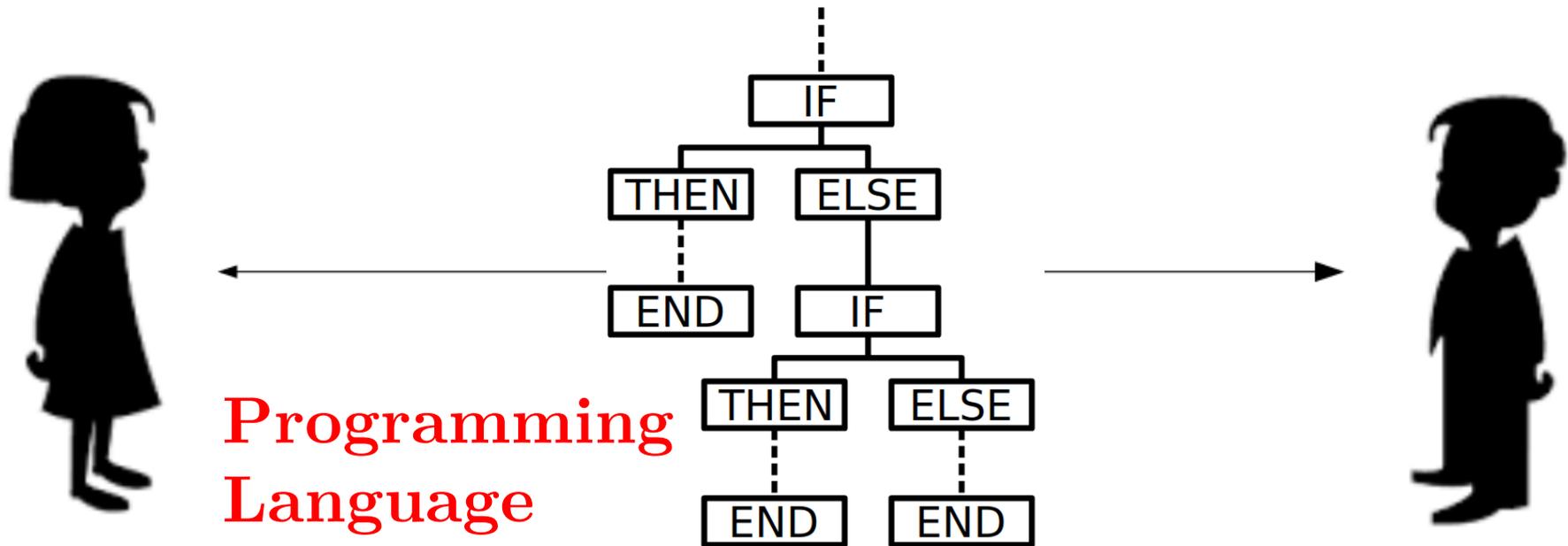
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**Natural  
Language**

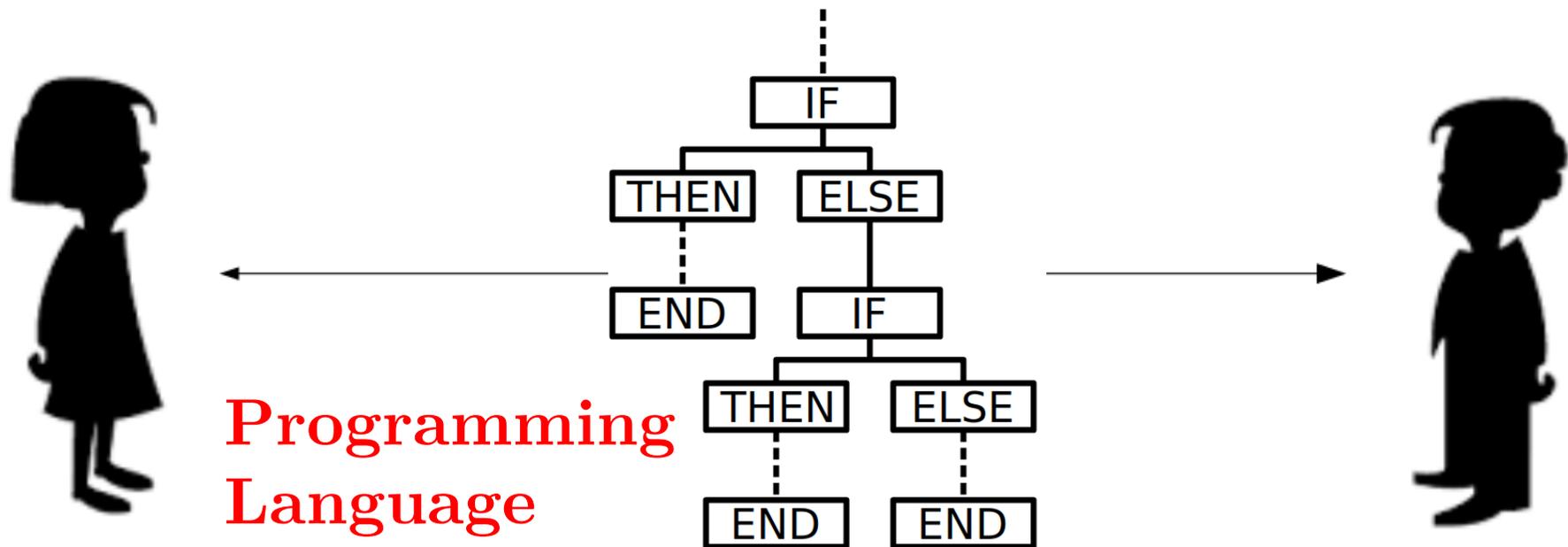


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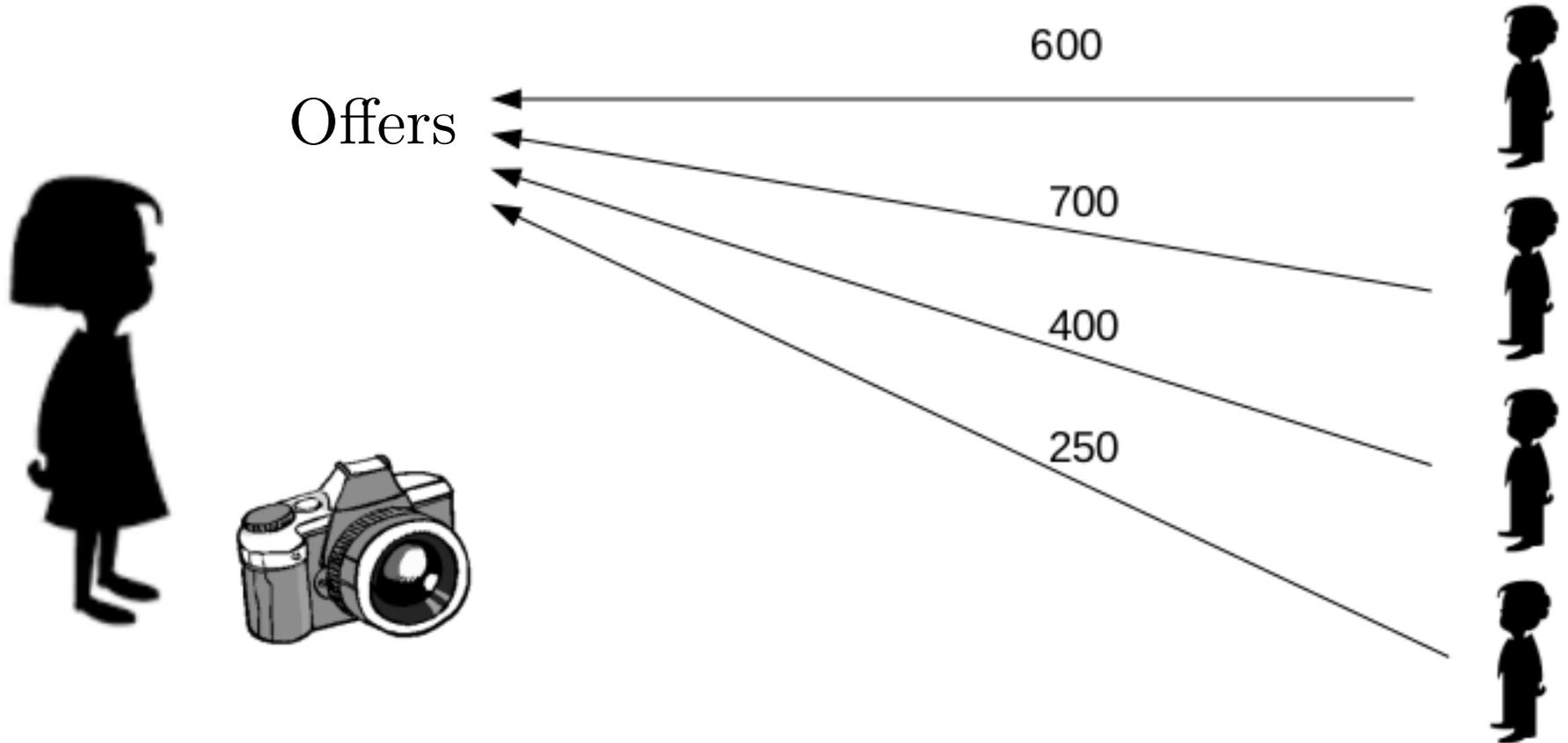


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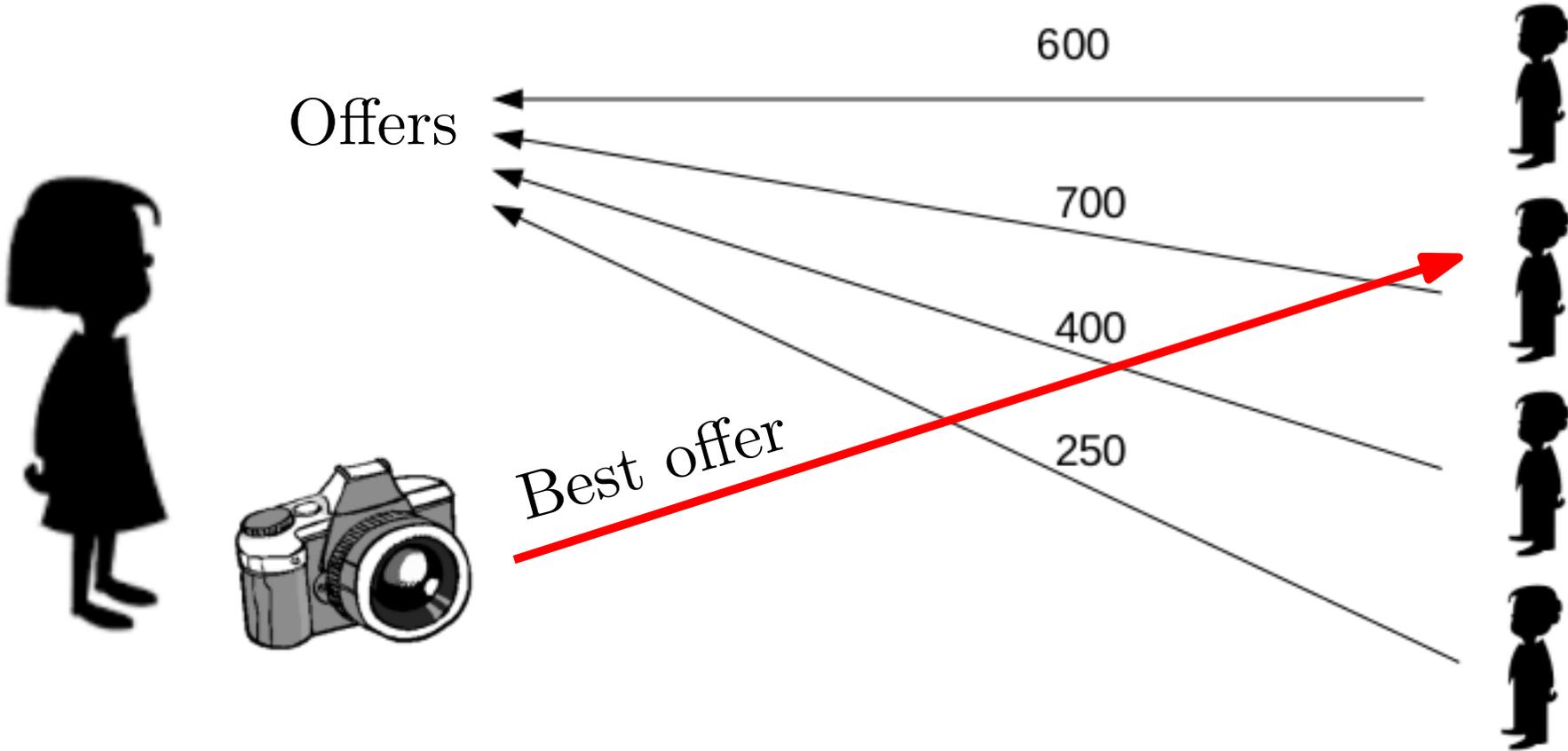
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# Online Auctions



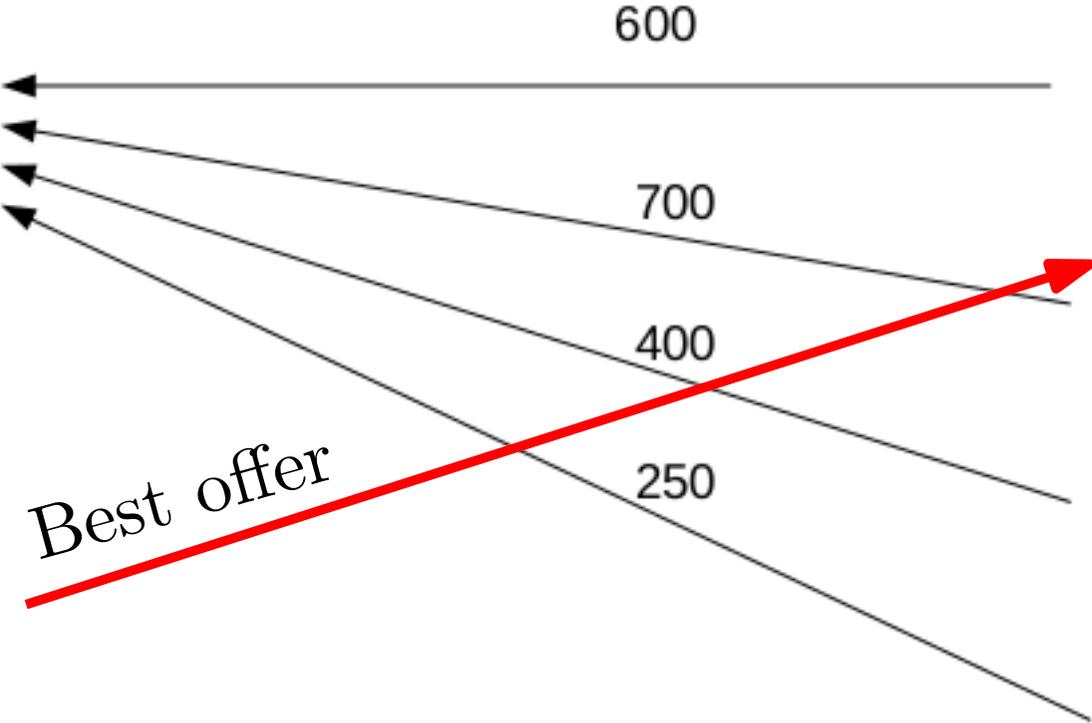
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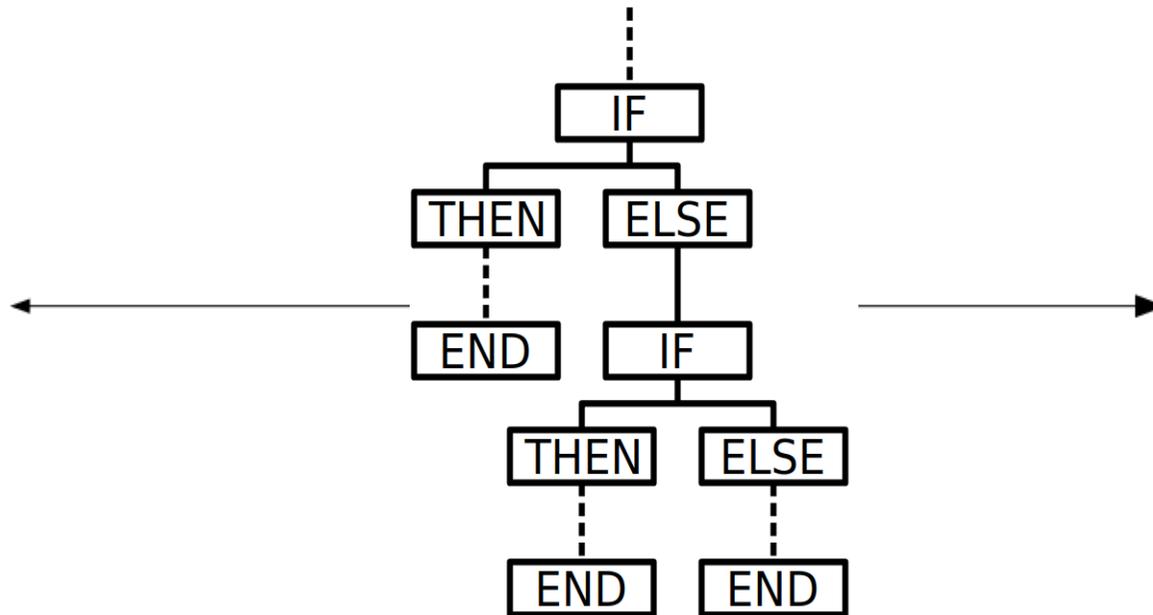
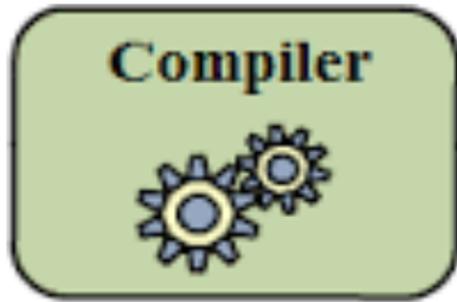
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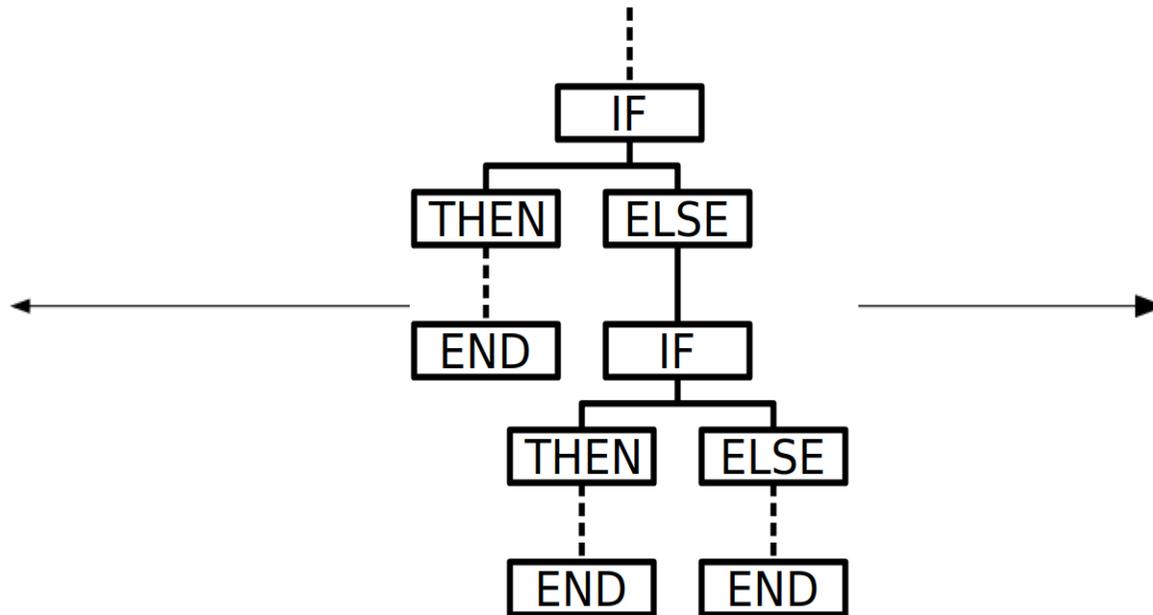
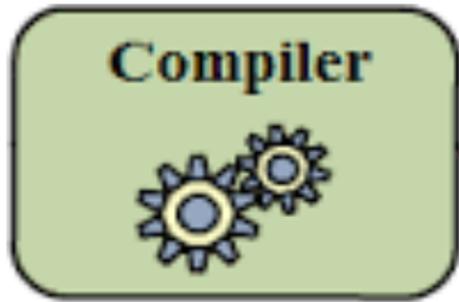
Offers



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# Different Approaches



Scripting  
Language



ethereum

Turing-Complete  
Language

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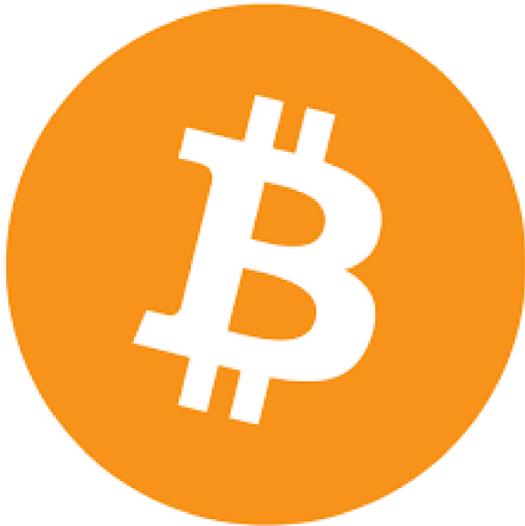
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# “Strange” Transaction I



Hash(“This output, in order to be spent, has to be signed by the private key associated to the public key X and can be inserted only in a block with number equal or greater than 51334” )

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ntimeLock 51334



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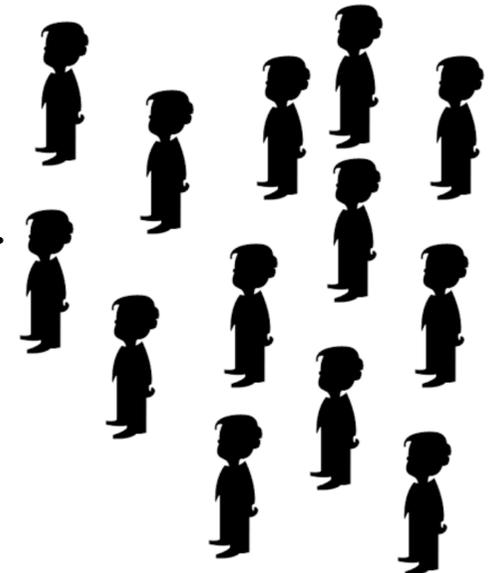
Hash(“This output, in order to be spent, has to be signed by the majority of private keys associated to the following public keys:  $\{X, Y, \dots, Z\}$ ” )

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n n/2 CHECKMULTISIGVERIFY



# Different approaches



Scripting  
Language

A restricted  
programming  
language  
without loops is  
available



ethereum

Turing-Complete  
Language

# Providing a deposit



Bob is a server  
which provides a  
service free of  
charge



# Providing a deposit



Alice must prove  
that she is not a  
spambot

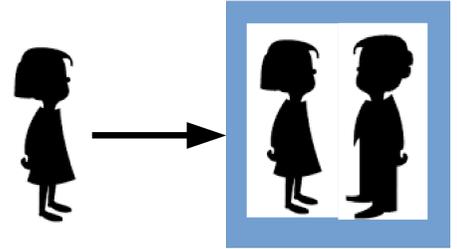
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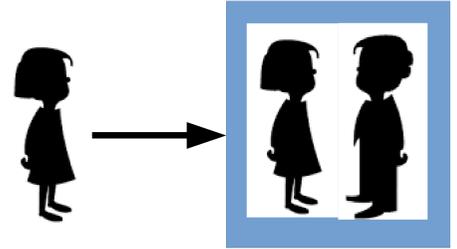
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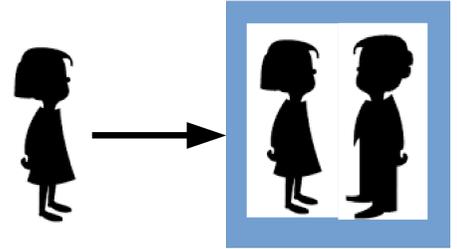
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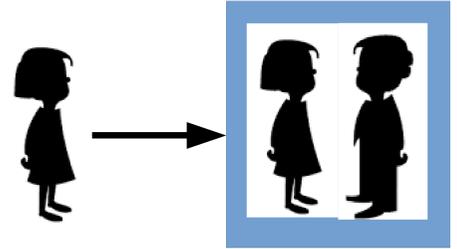
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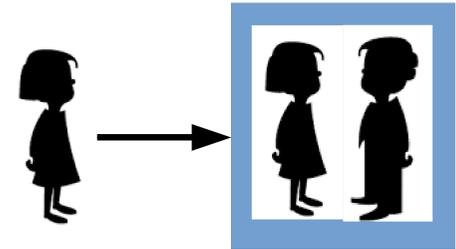


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0) Alice and Bob exchange new public keys

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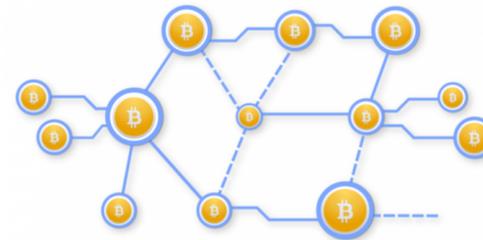
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Alice chooses  
a random  
number  $x$



Bob chooses a  
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If  $x + y$  is even Alice wins, otherwise Bob wins.



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Send  $y'$  so that  $x + y'$  is odd.



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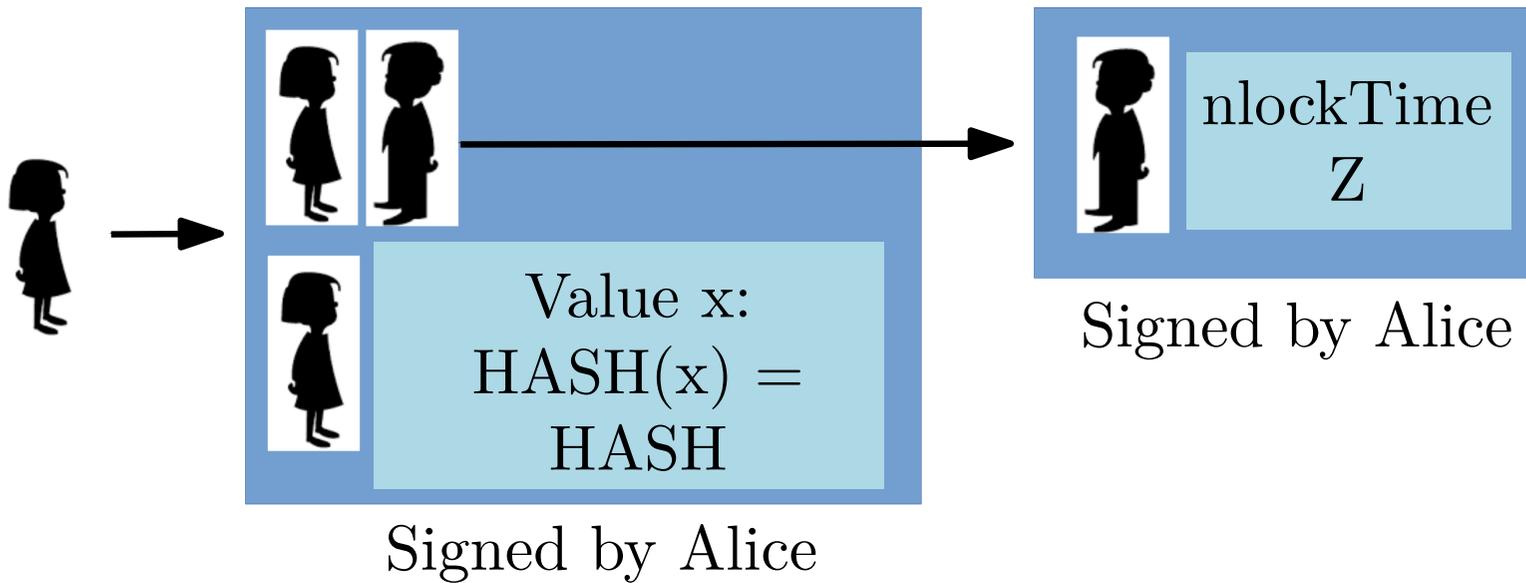
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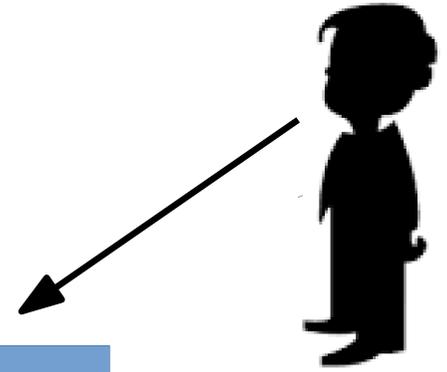
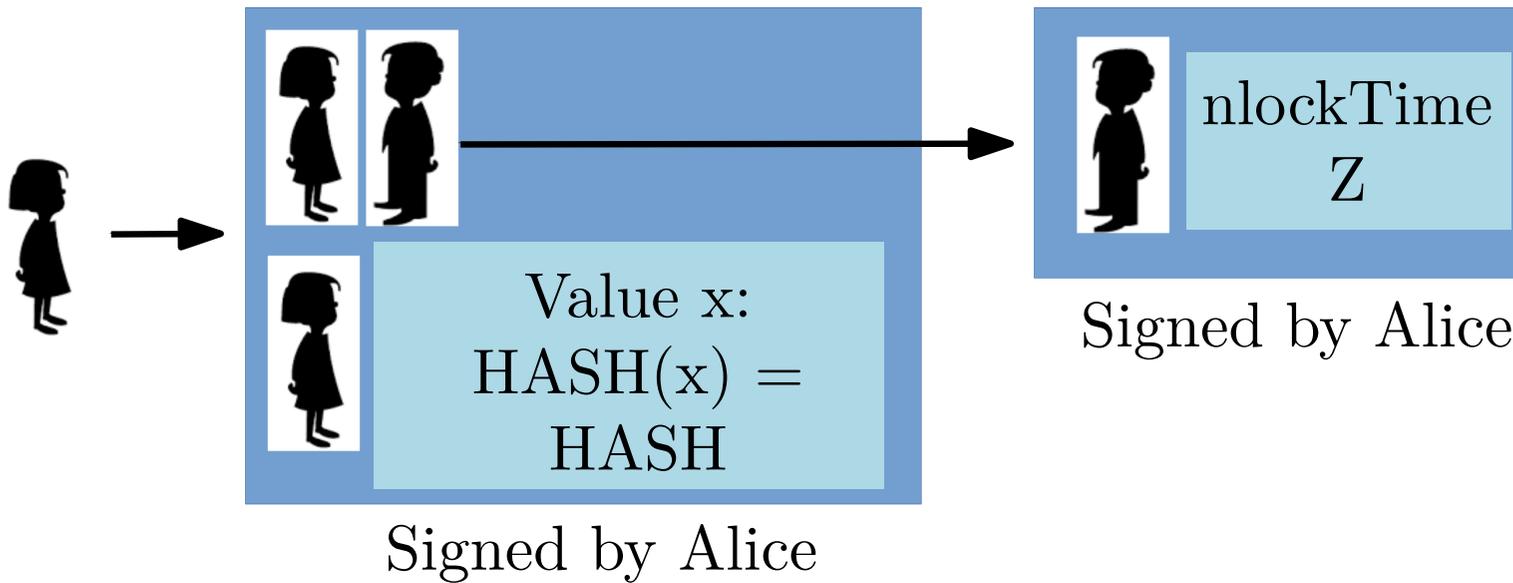
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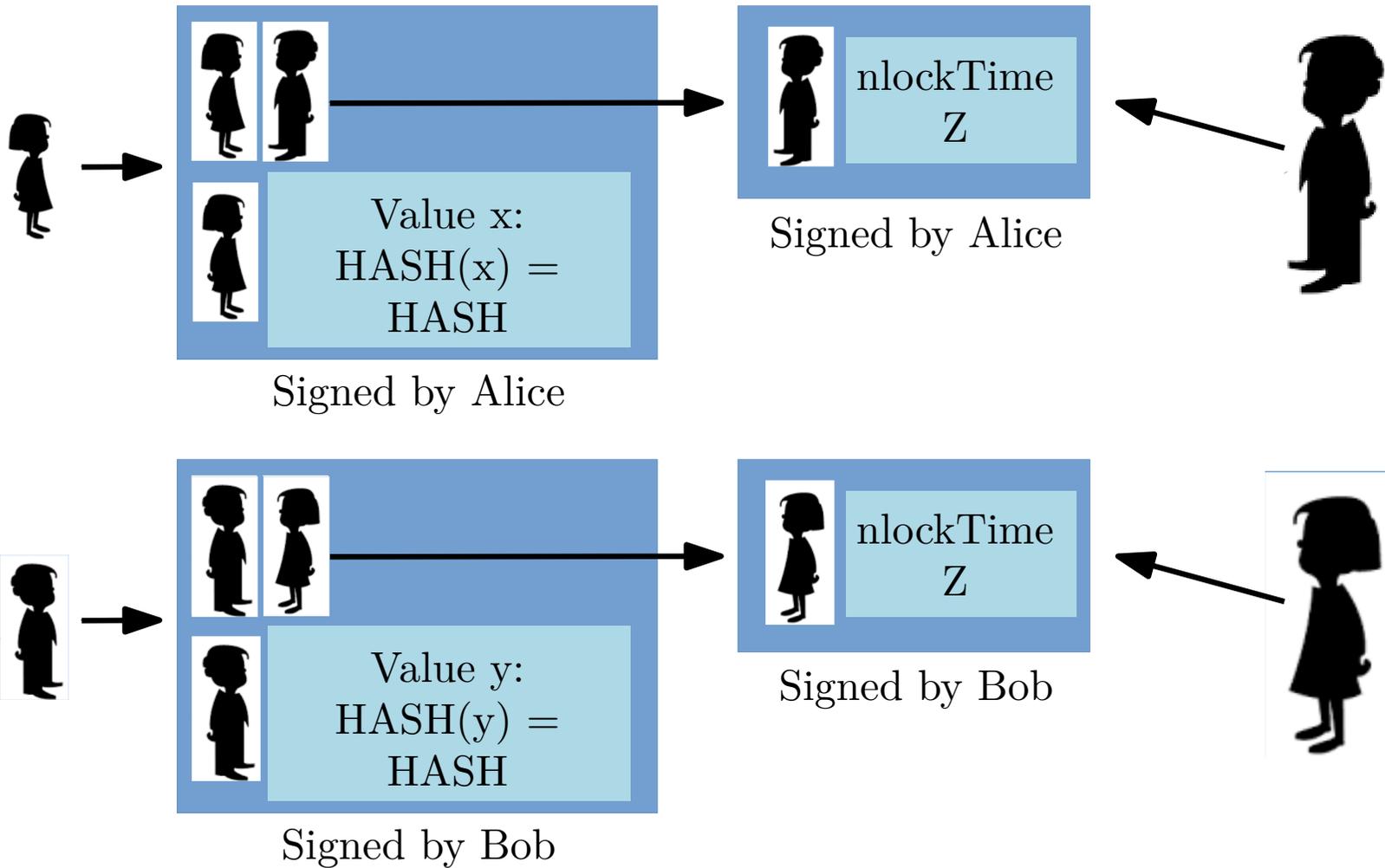


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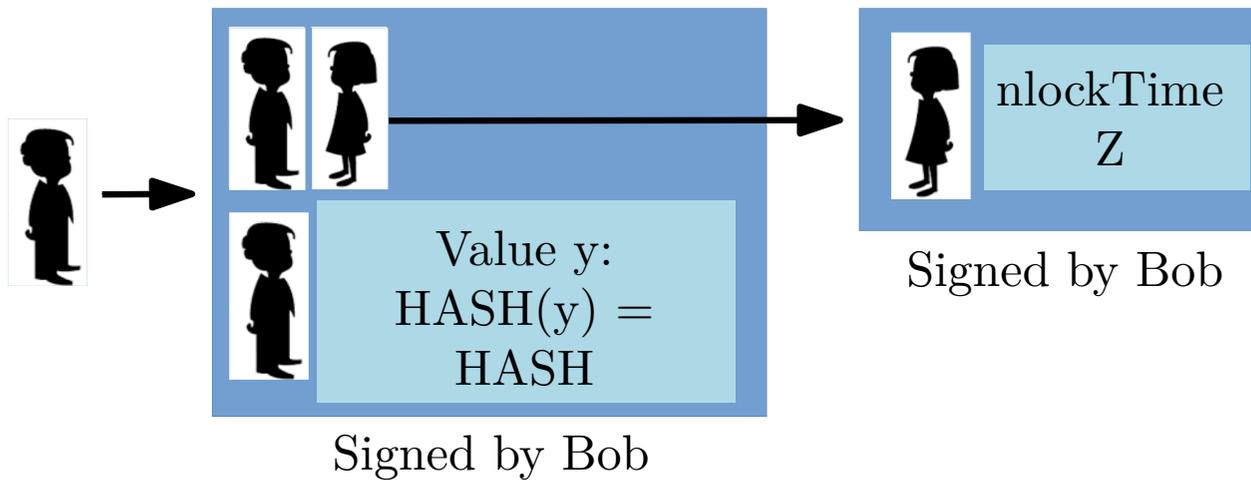
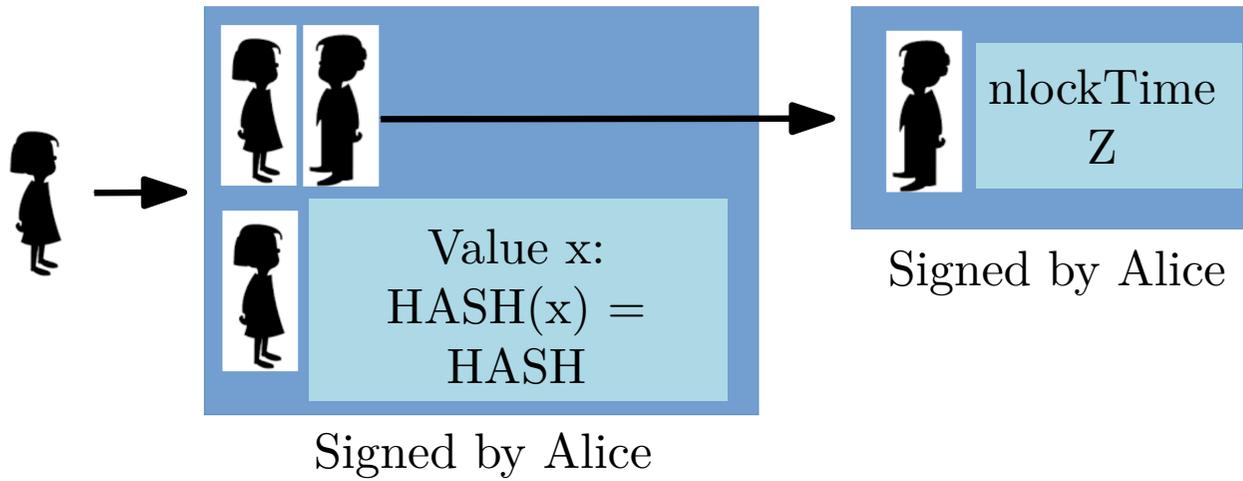


Bob can sign when he wants and claim the deposit in block  $Z$

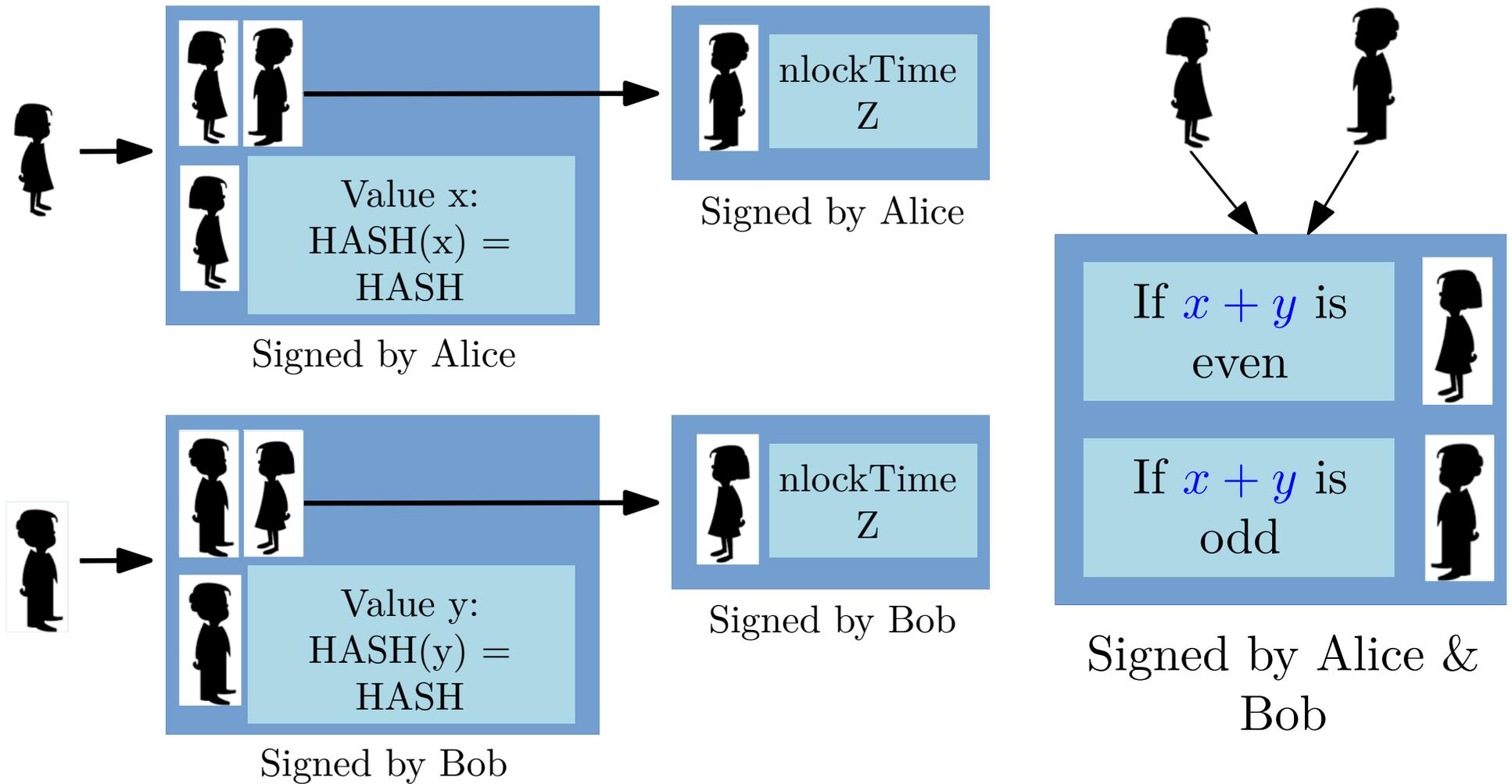
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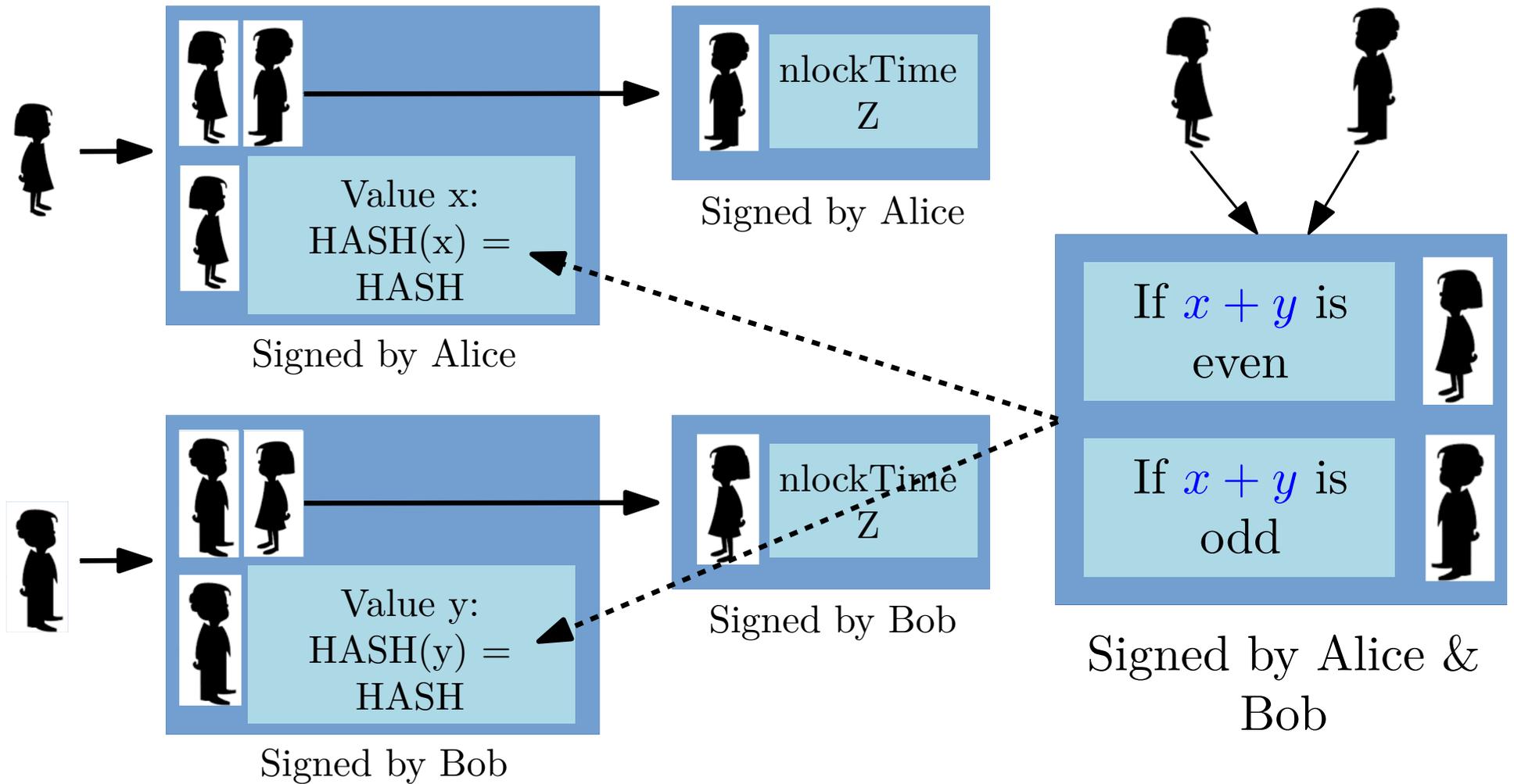
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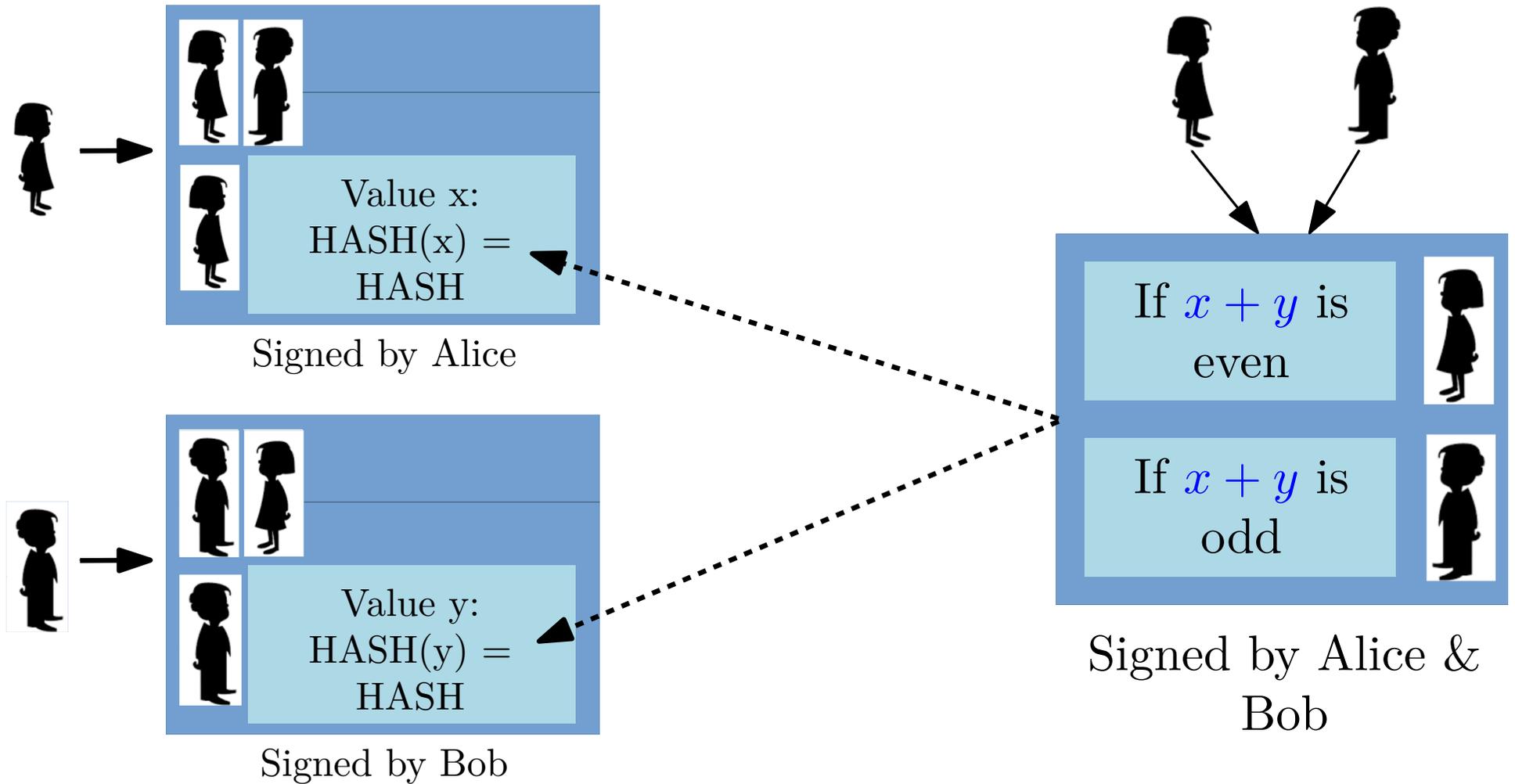
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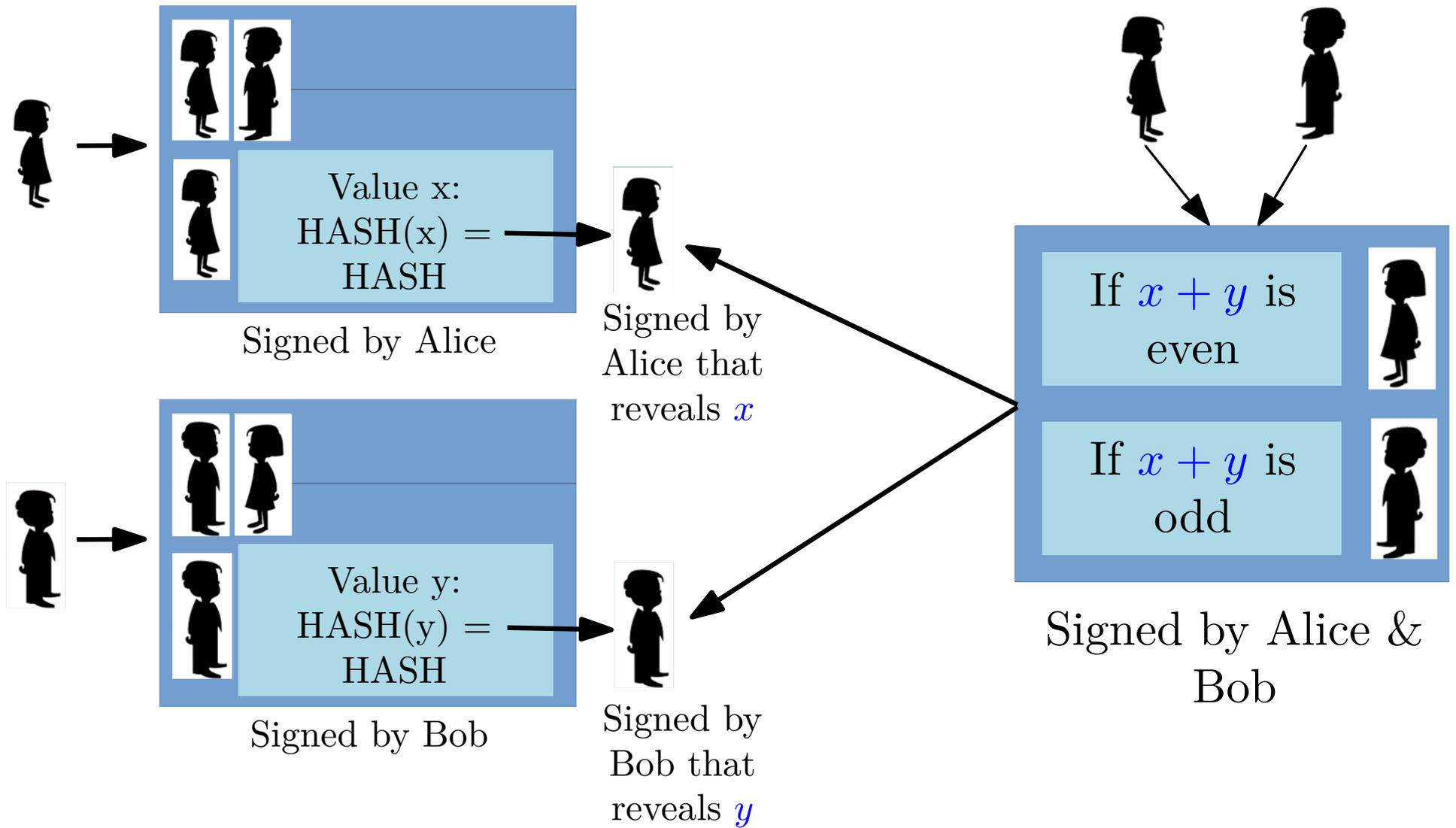
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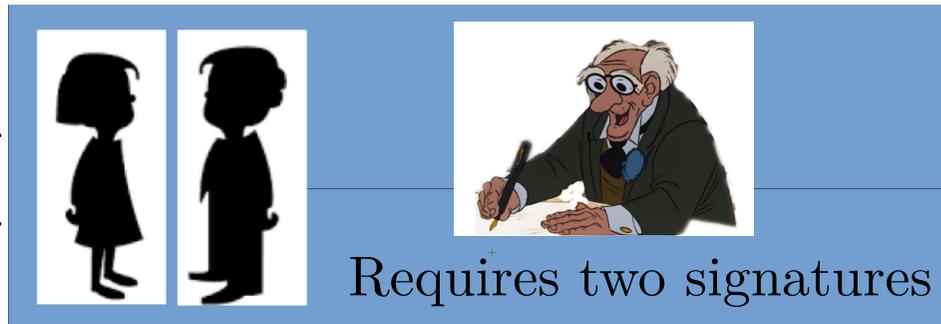
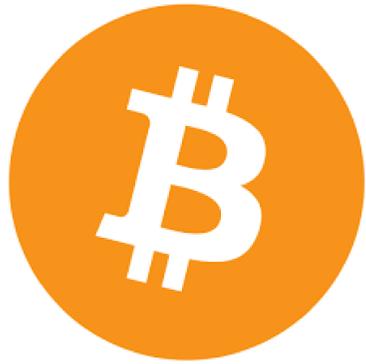
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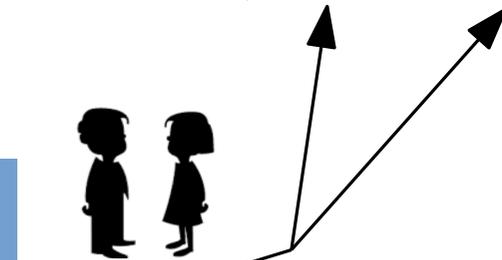
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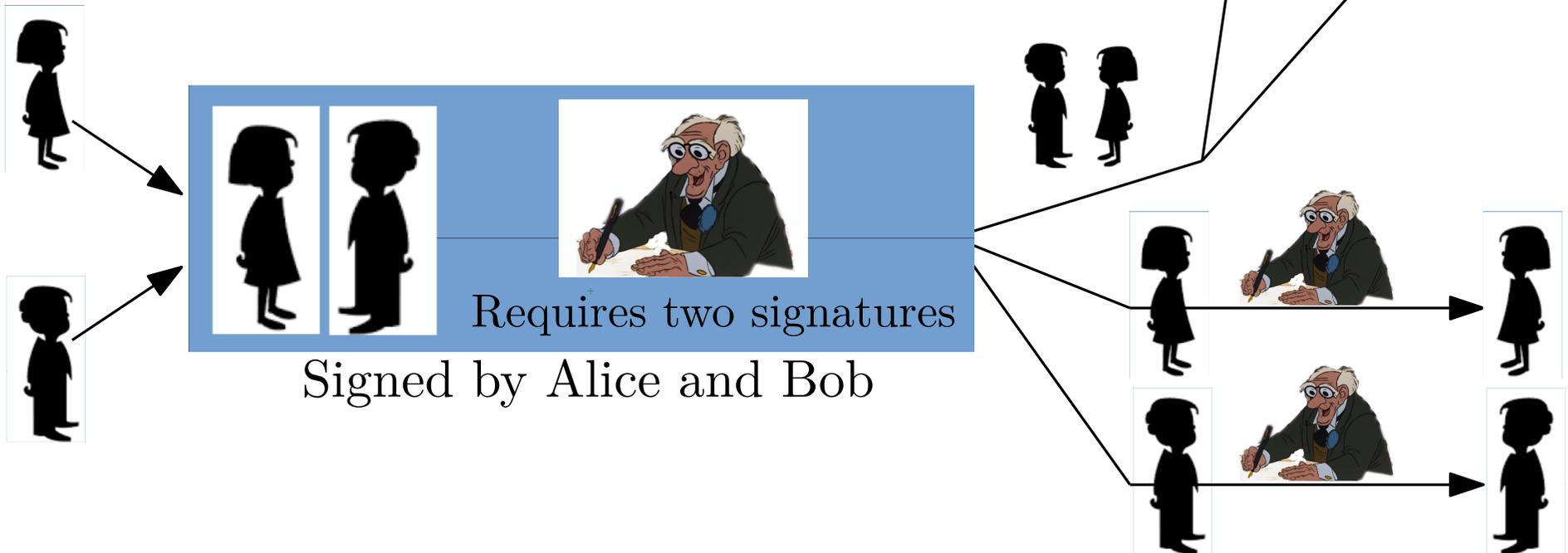
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Signed by Alice and Bob



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# Ethereum



ethereum

Turing-Complete Language

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## **Almost** Turing-Complete Language

The execution (on behalf of the miners) of the transactions/contracts costs ETHER, proportionally to the number of instructions which are executed. When someone creates a contract, he/she also specifies how many ETHER he/she is willing to pay.

# Smart Contracts



ethereum

```
DEF CONTRACT
STRING OWNER;

F(...){...}

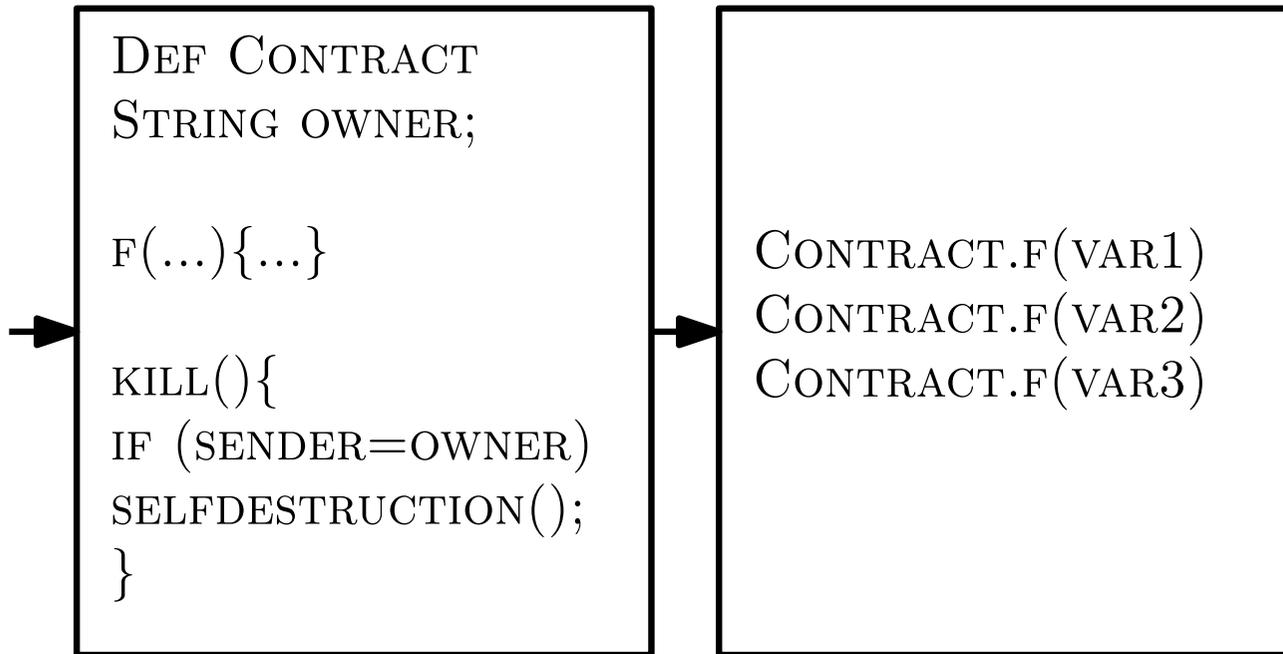
KILL(){
IF (SENDER=OWNER)
SELFDESTRUCTION();
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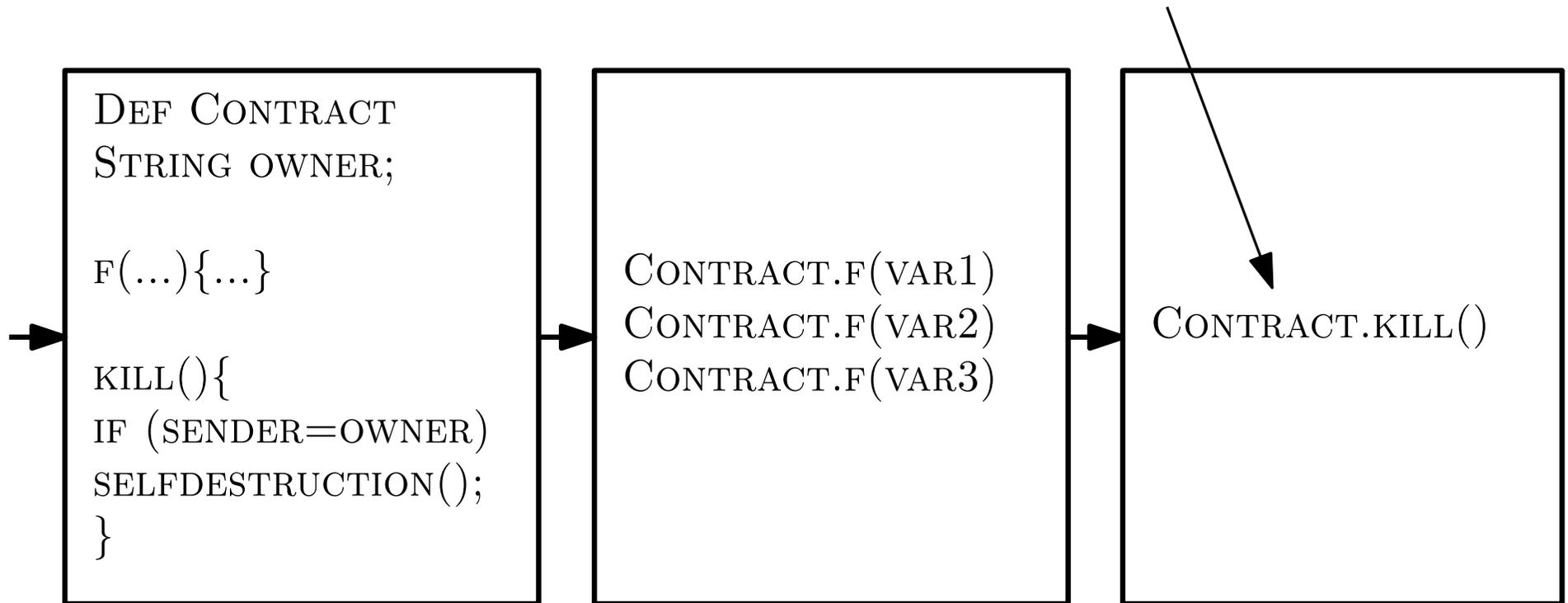


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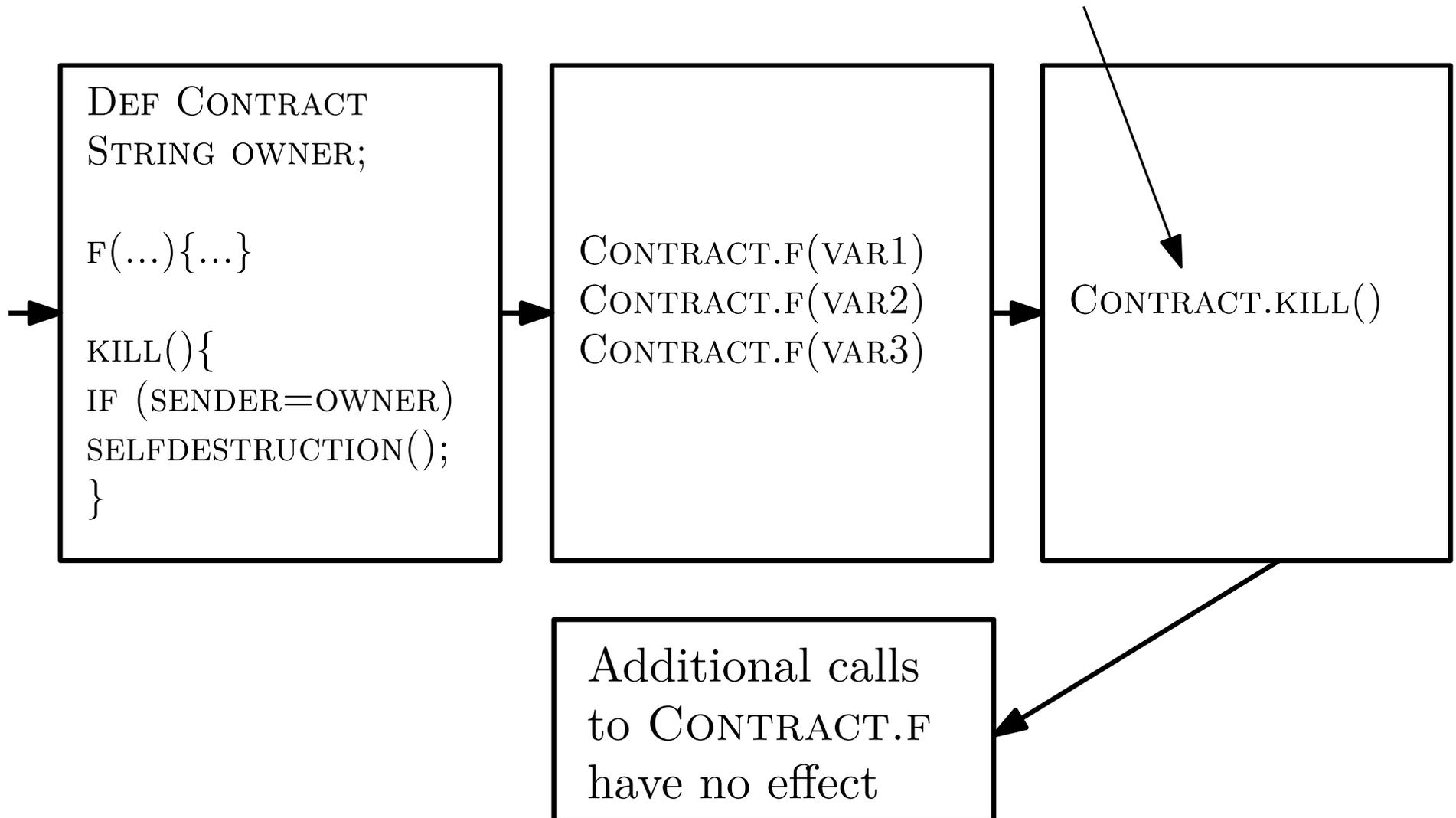


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A digital Decentralized  
Autonomous Organization



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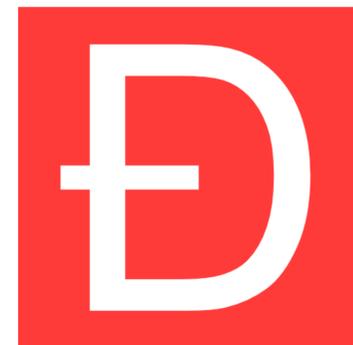


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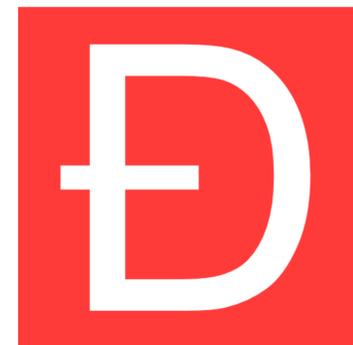


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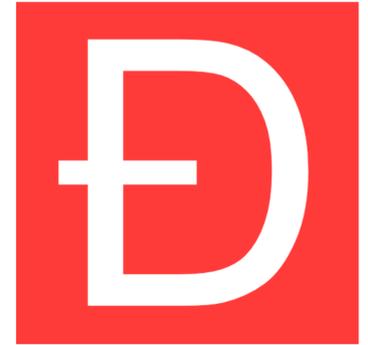
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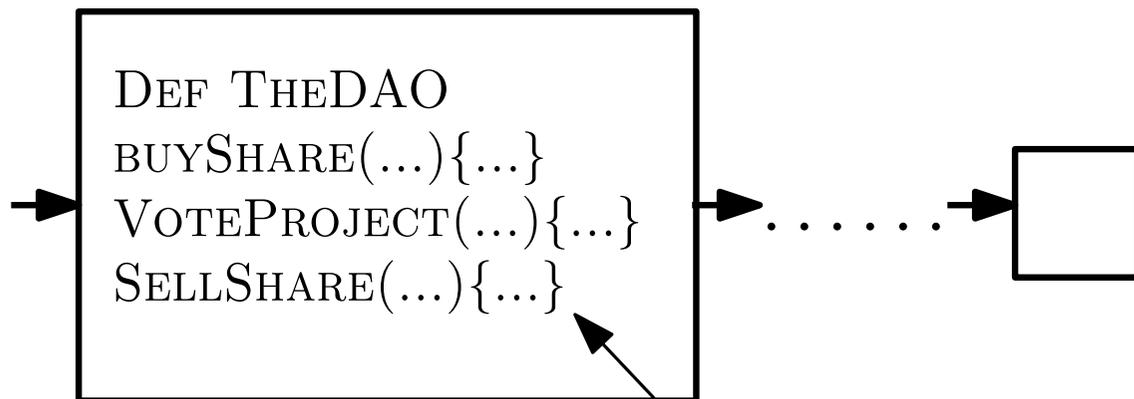
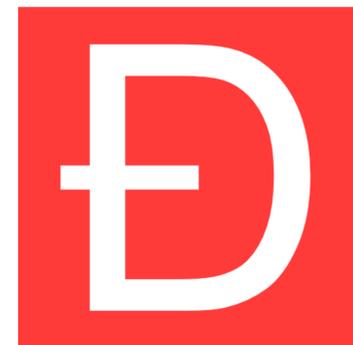
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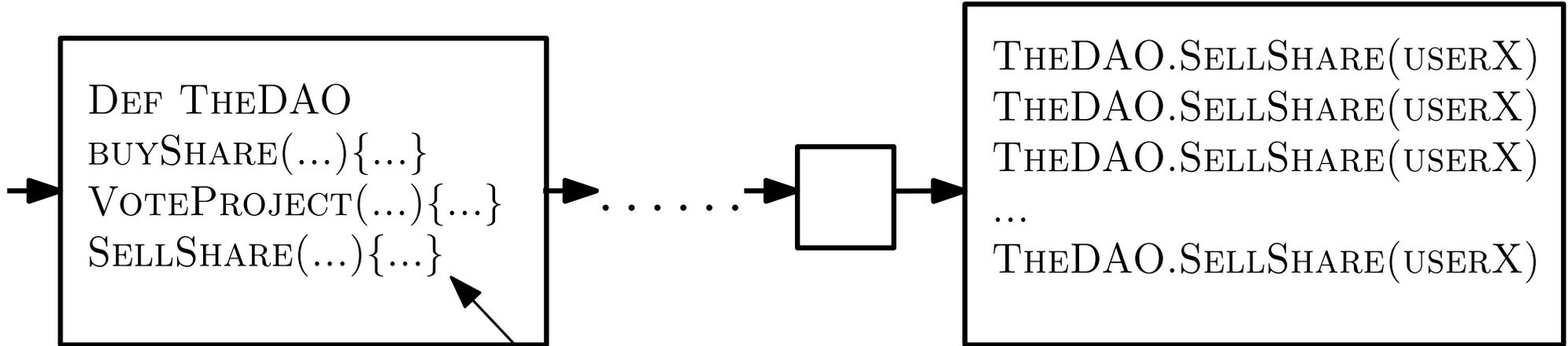
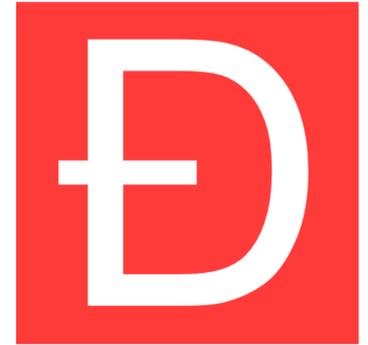


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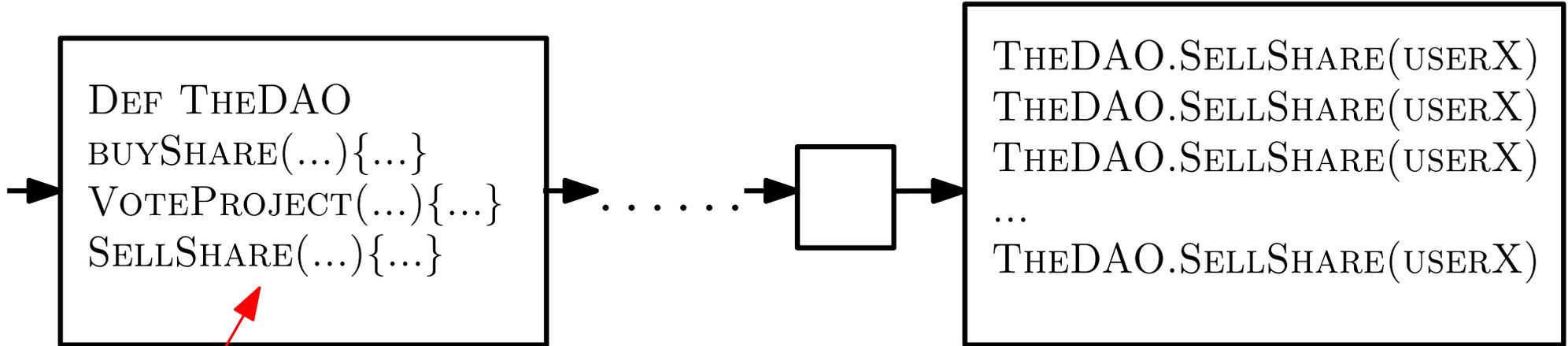
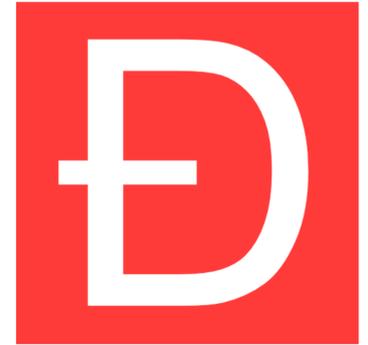
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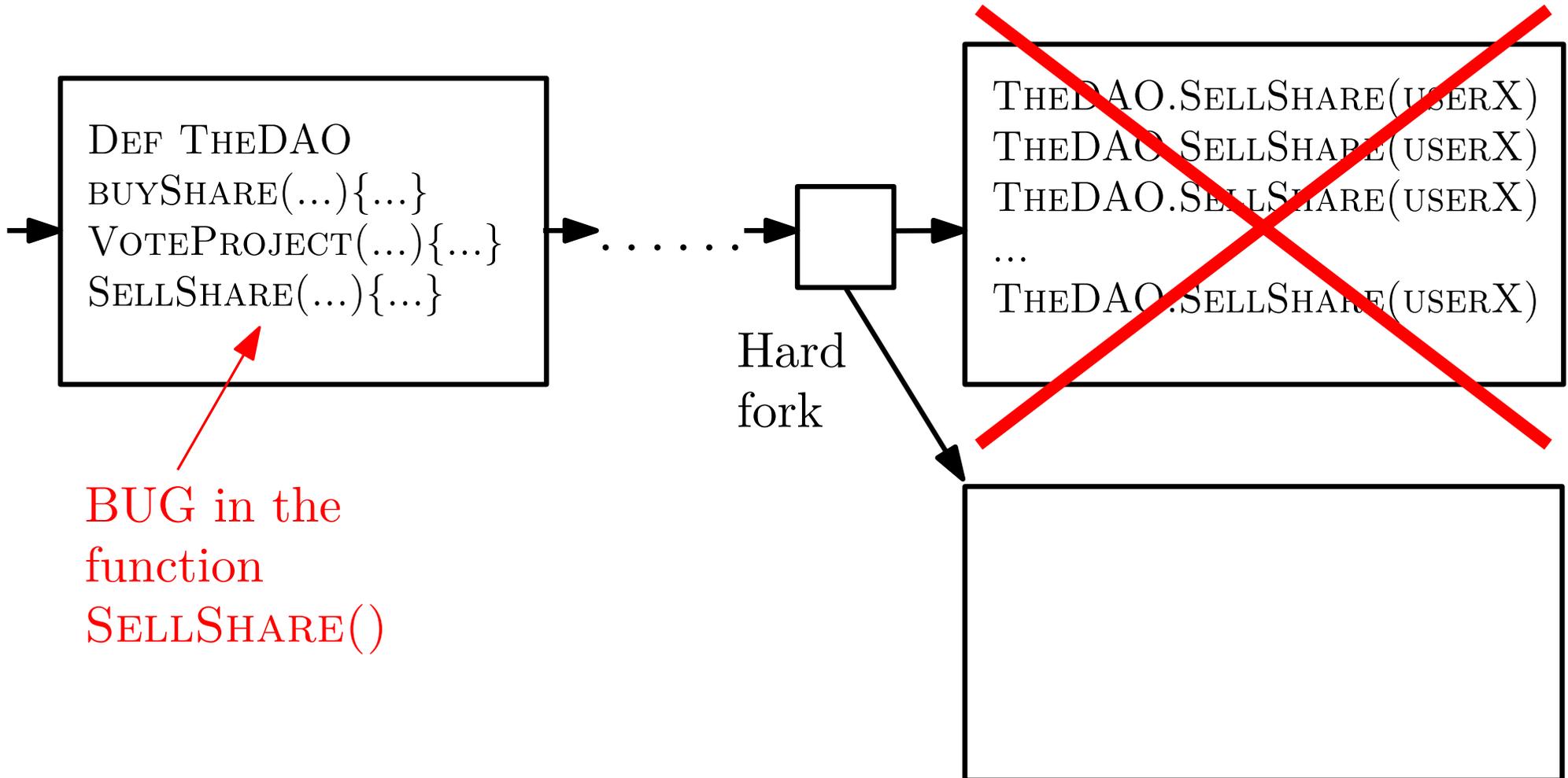
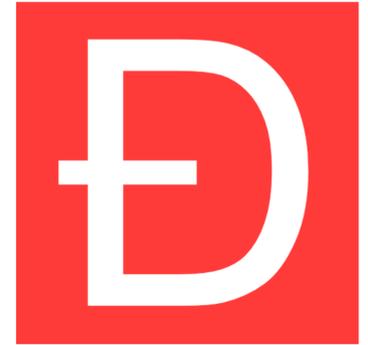


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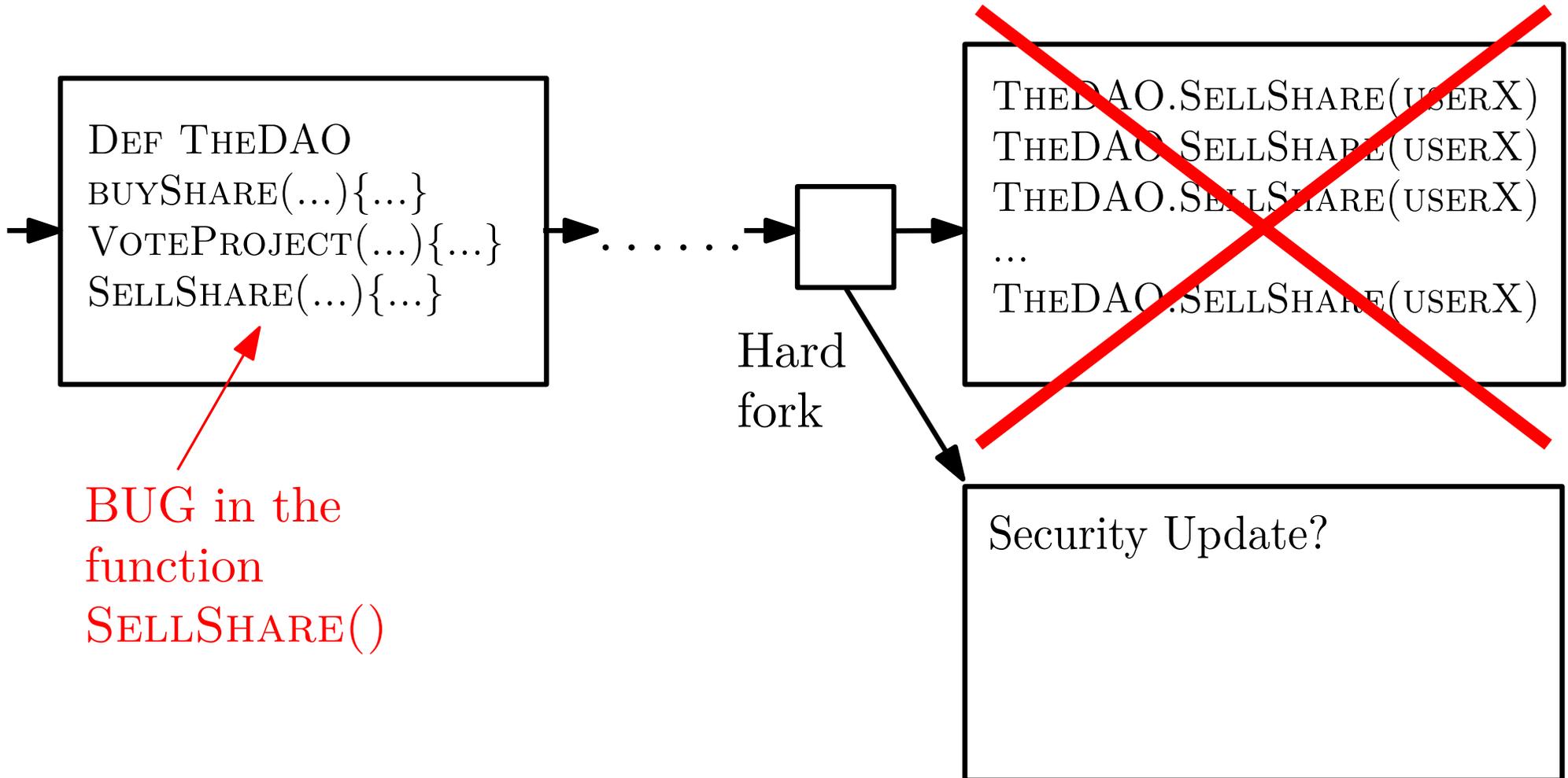
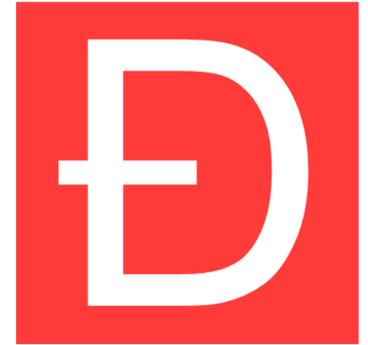
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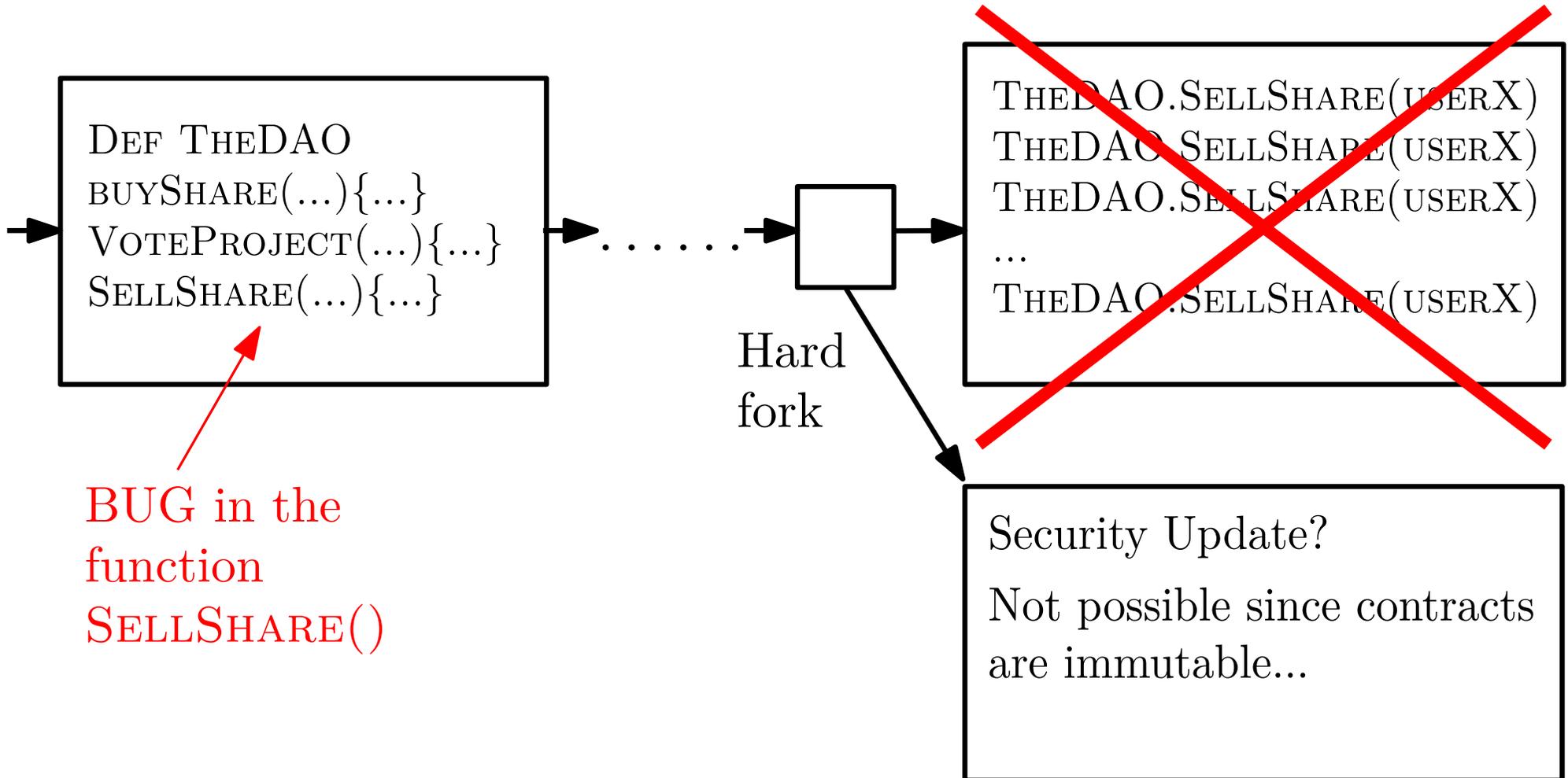
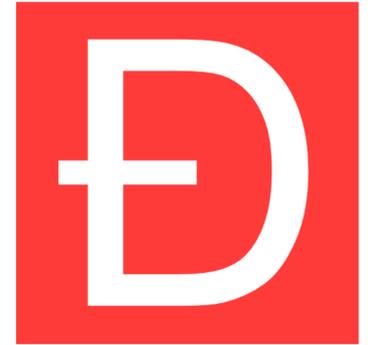
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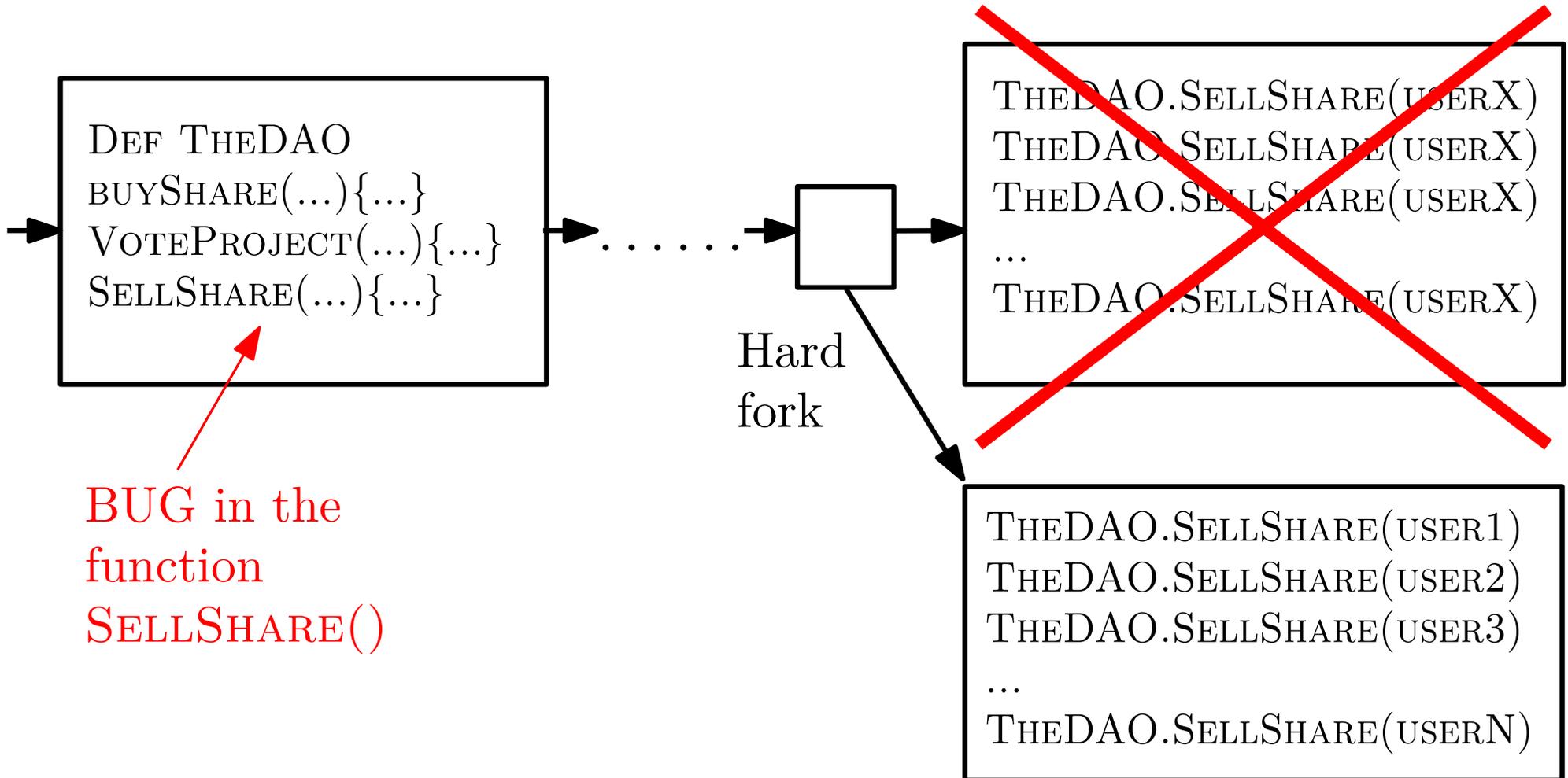
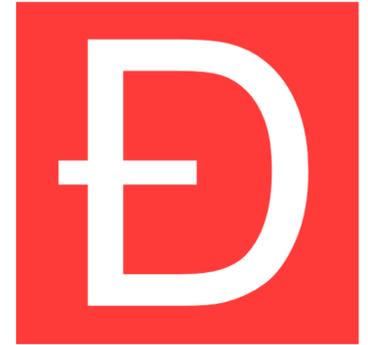
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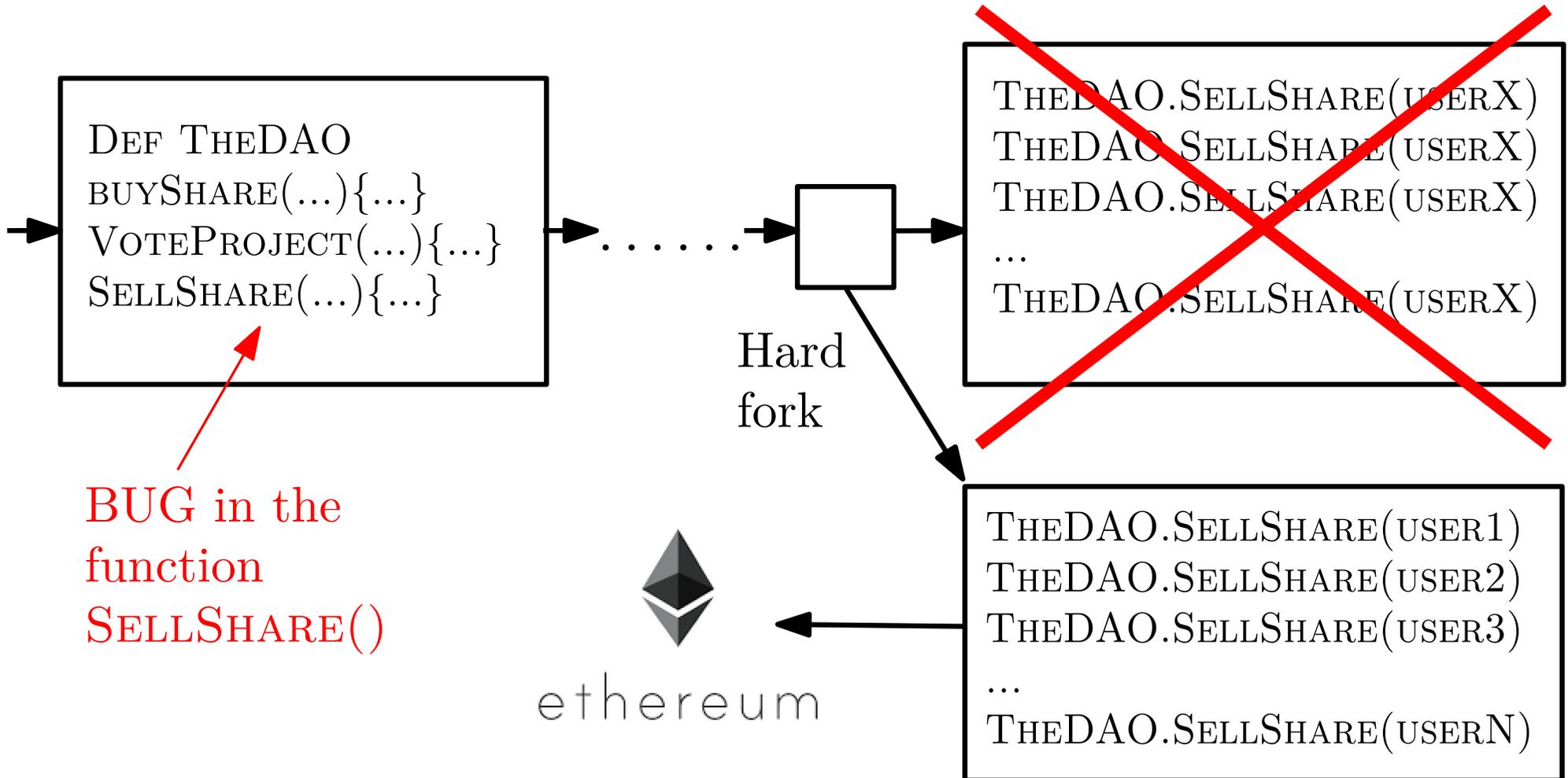
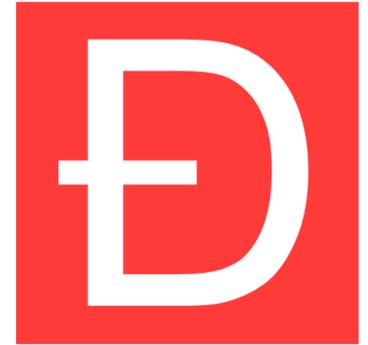
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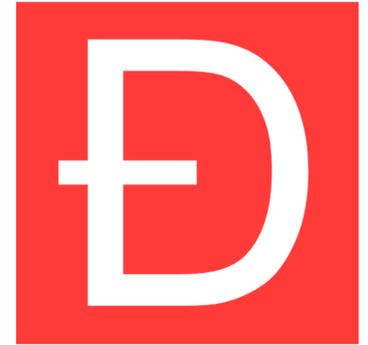
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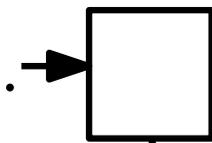
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Hard  
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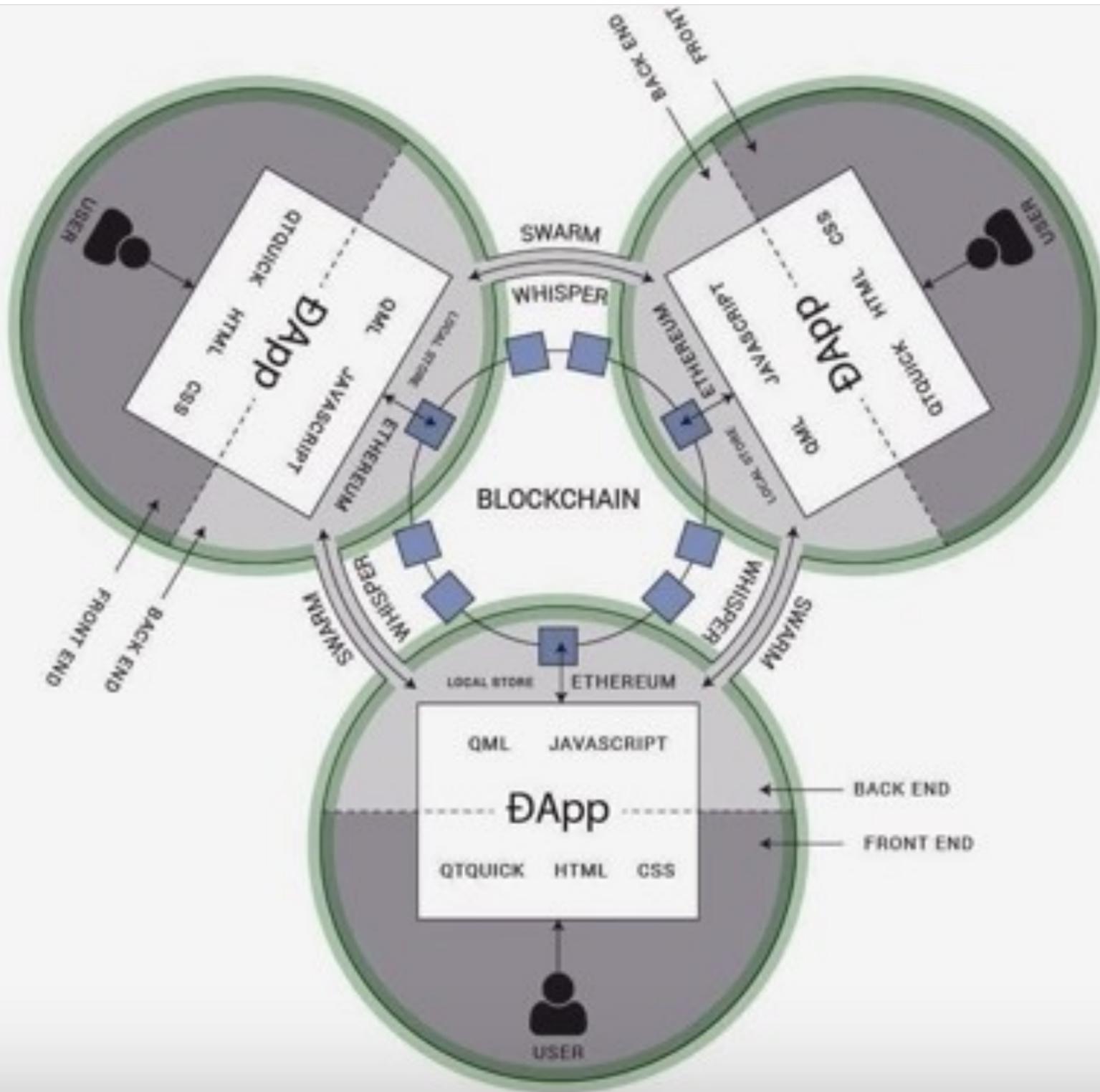
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...  
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# A Dystopic Scenario





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**Etherization**  
by Vedran Kajic  
Strategy Game

LIVE

**A**

**Acebusters**  
by Johann Barbie +1  
Poker platform

LIVE

**I**

**Etherep**  
by Mike Shultz  
Reputation by address rating

LIVE

**C**

**Clovers.network**  
by Billy Rennekamp  
Reversi search as POW & visual asset market

PROTOTYPE

**G**

**GotCHa**  
by Blockchain Manic  
A simple and fair game to win Ethereum

LIVE

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**EthColor**  
by ethcolor  
Investing game

LIVE

**L**

**Lottereum**  
by Emerson Estrella  
Open source lottery

LIVE

**D**

**Decentraland**  
by Esteban Ordano / Dario Sneidermanis / Manuel Aráoz / Yemel Jordi  
A virtual world owned by creators, powered by economic opportunity

LIVE

**T**

**Toastycoin**  
by coin-op Logan  
Outsource work to reliable strangers or earn ether by completing jobs

LIVE

**U**

**UbiTok.io**  
by Bonnag  
An exchange platform for trading tokens on-chain

LIVE

**L**

**Life Lottery**  
by FreeGeeks  
100% fair lottery

LIVE

**B**

**Bounties Network**  
by Mark Beylin  
Bounties on any task paid in tokens

LIVE

**G**

**GhostKat**  
by GhostKat Team  
An experimental streaming service that doesn't use a server

LIVE

**L**

**Lotto**  
by DeviateFish  
Simple, provably-fair, secure lottery

PROTOTYPE

**S**

**Simple Vote**  
by Julian Duque  
Voting platform

DEMO

Thank You!