

Cohere: Managing Differential Privacy in Large - Scale Systems



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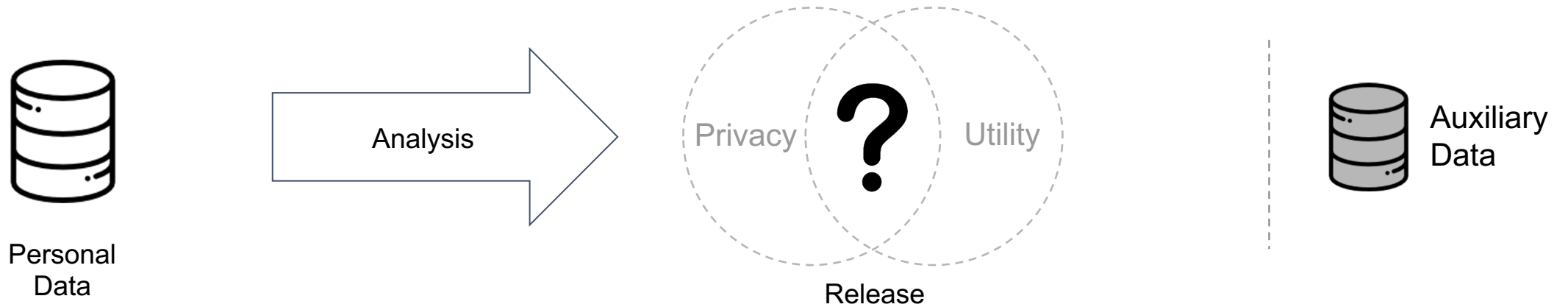
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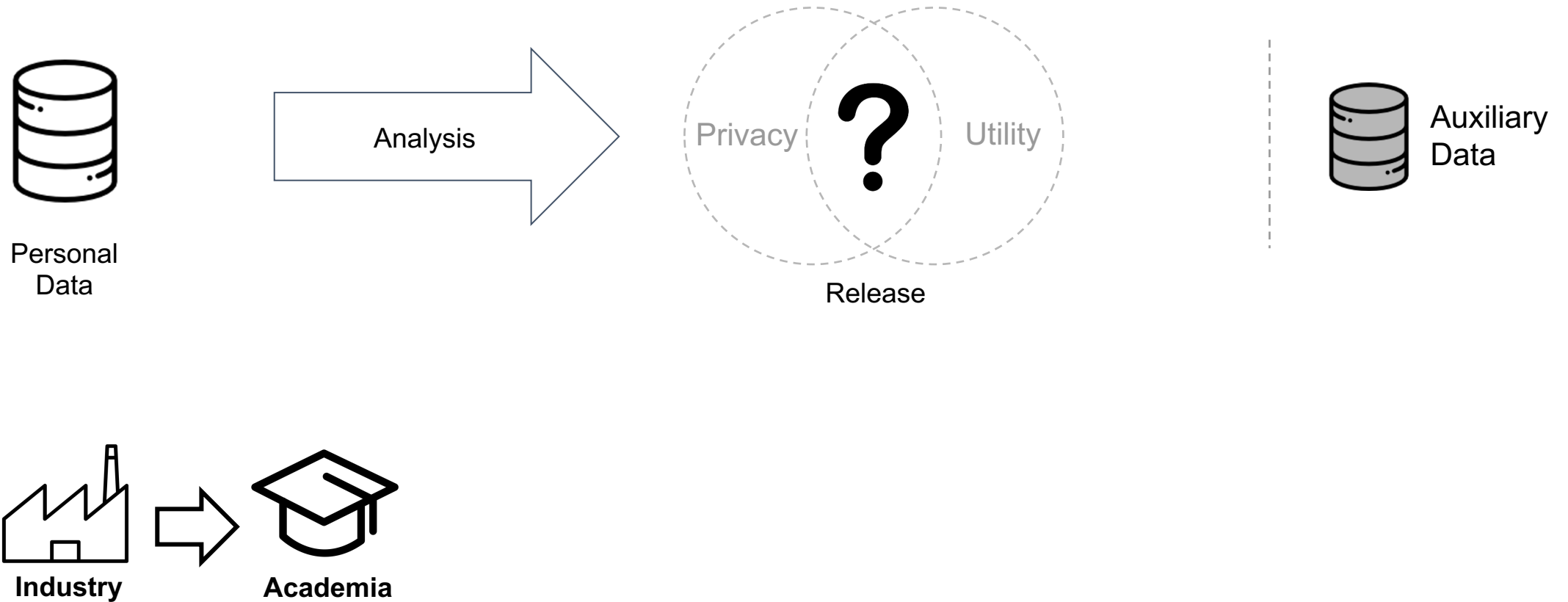
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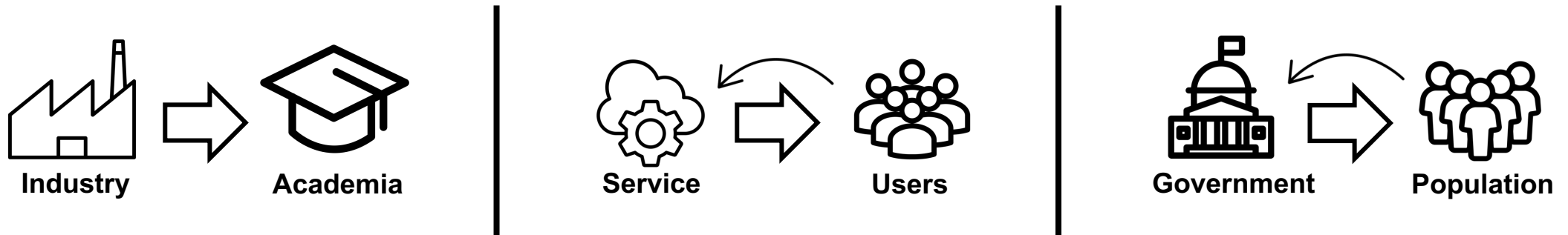
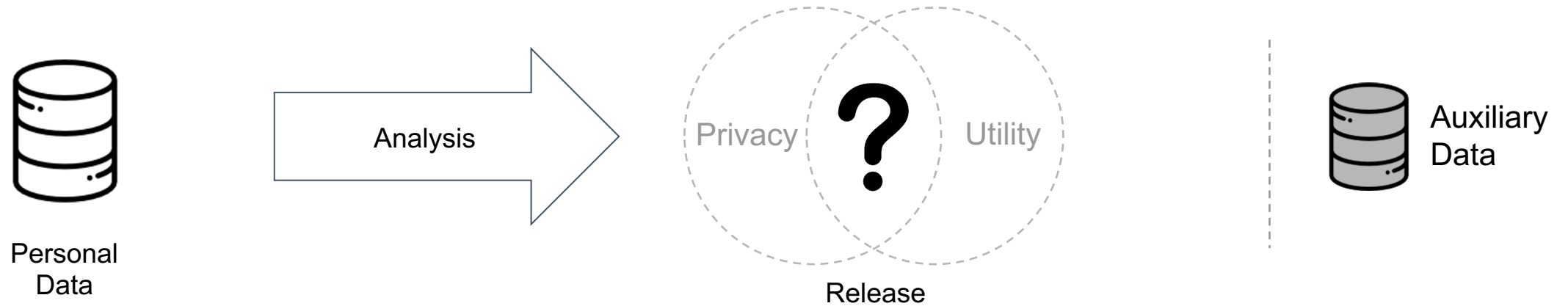
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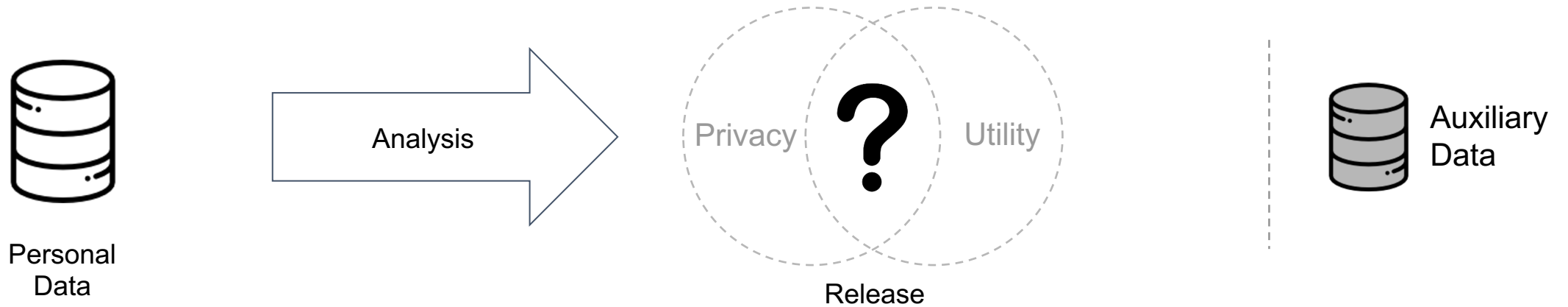
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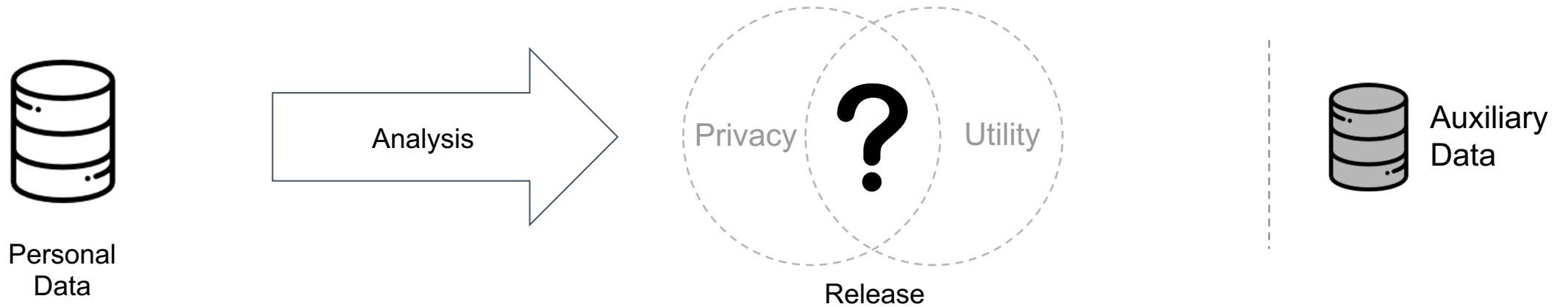
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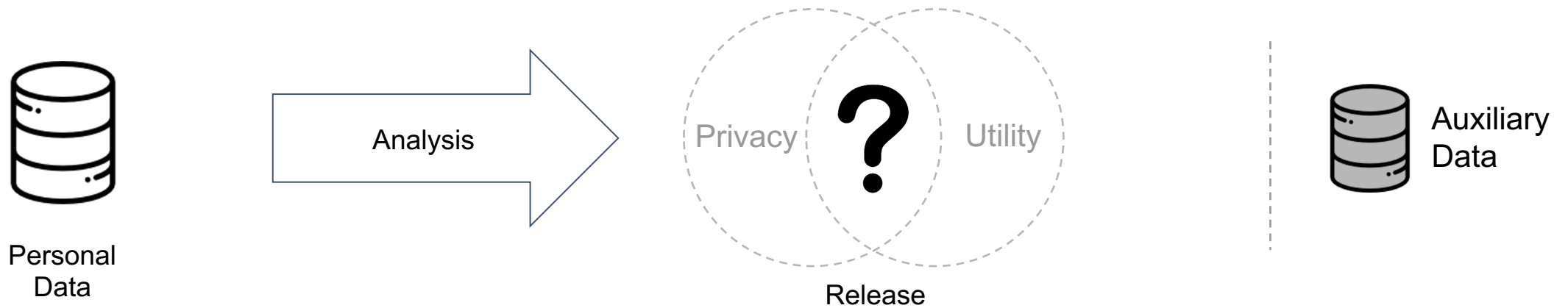
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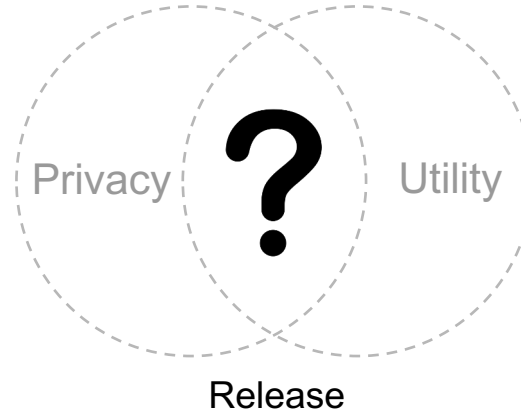
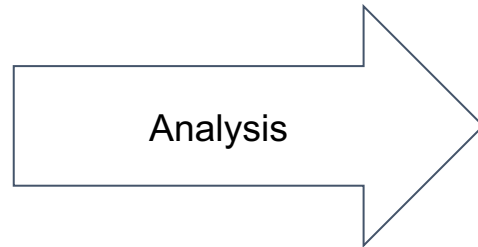
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Personal Data



Auxiliary Data



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Descriptive Statistics



ML Model

Privacy Attacks



Re-Identification (NYC TAXI)



Database Reconstruction (United States Census 2010)



Membership Inference (LLM)

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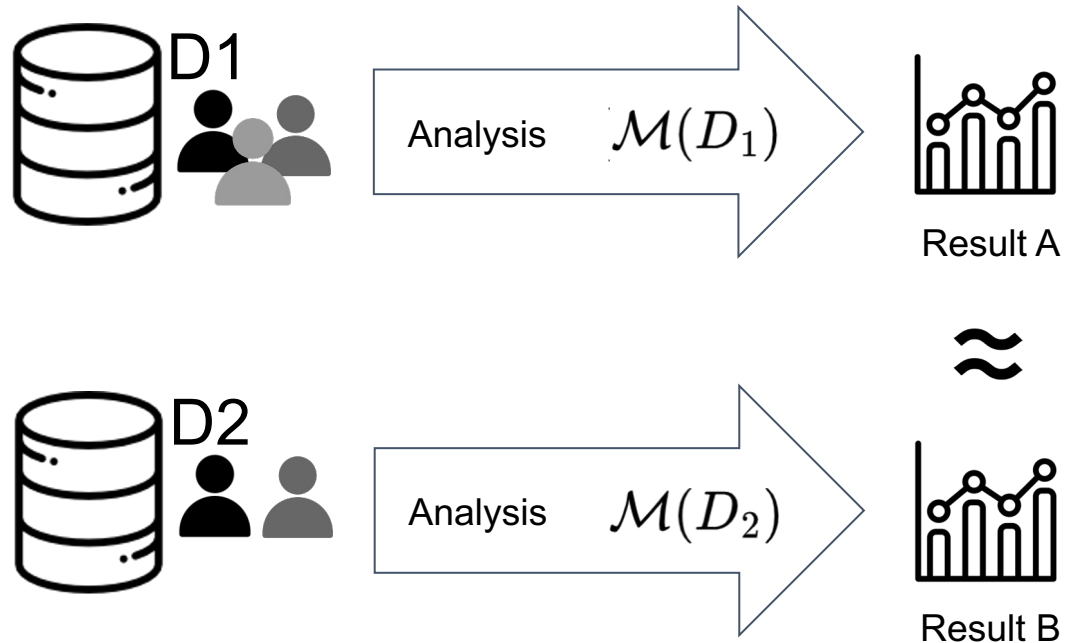
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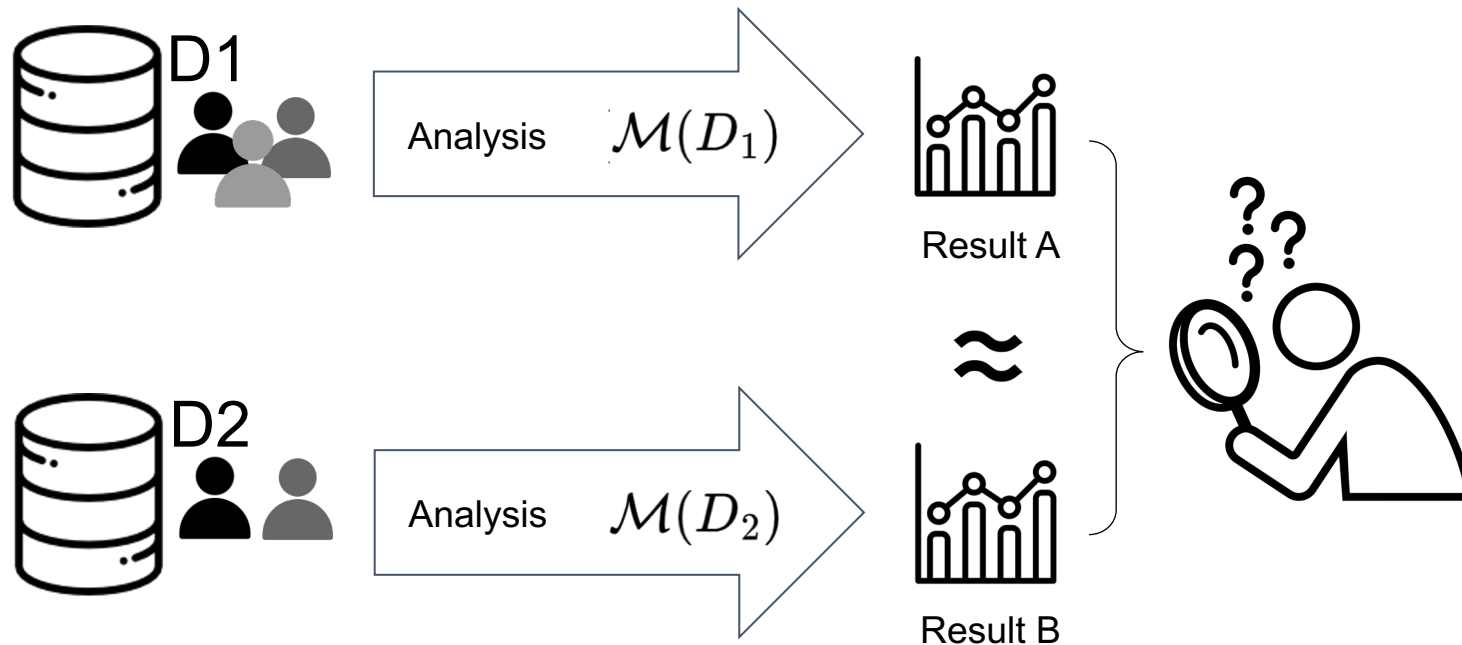
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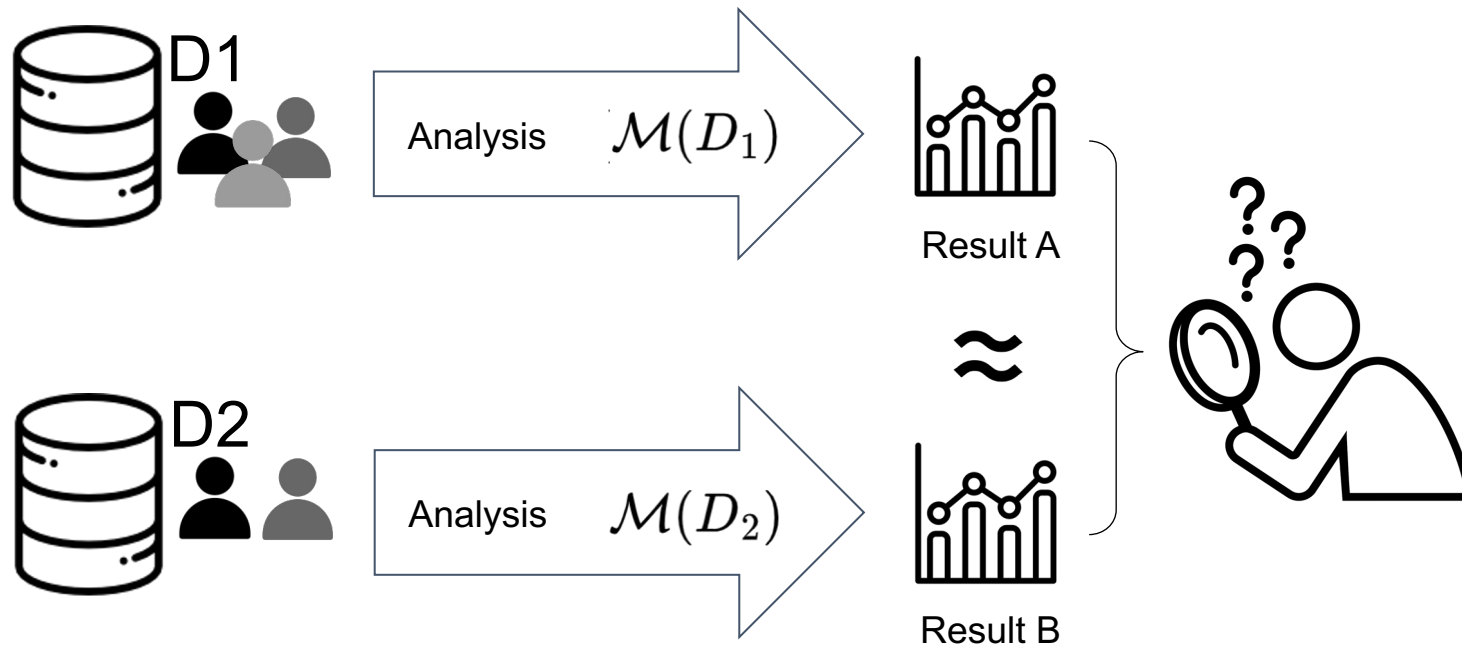
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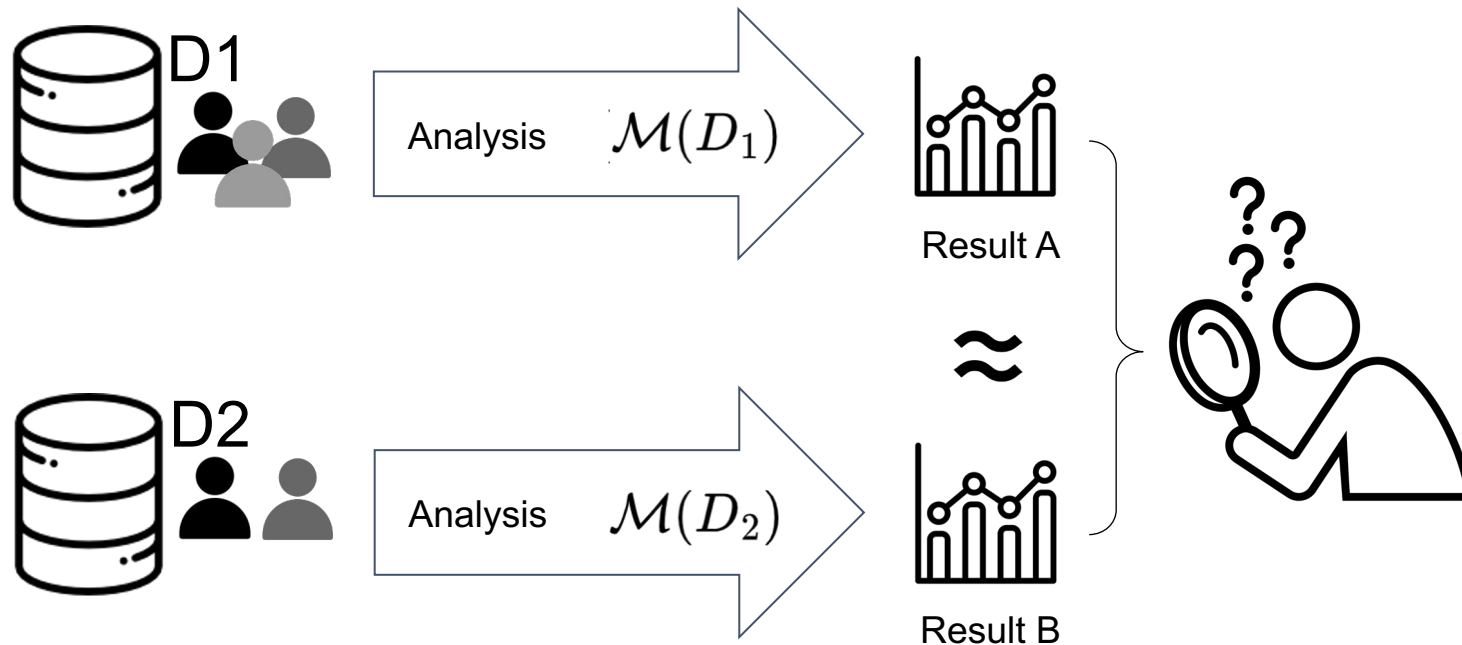
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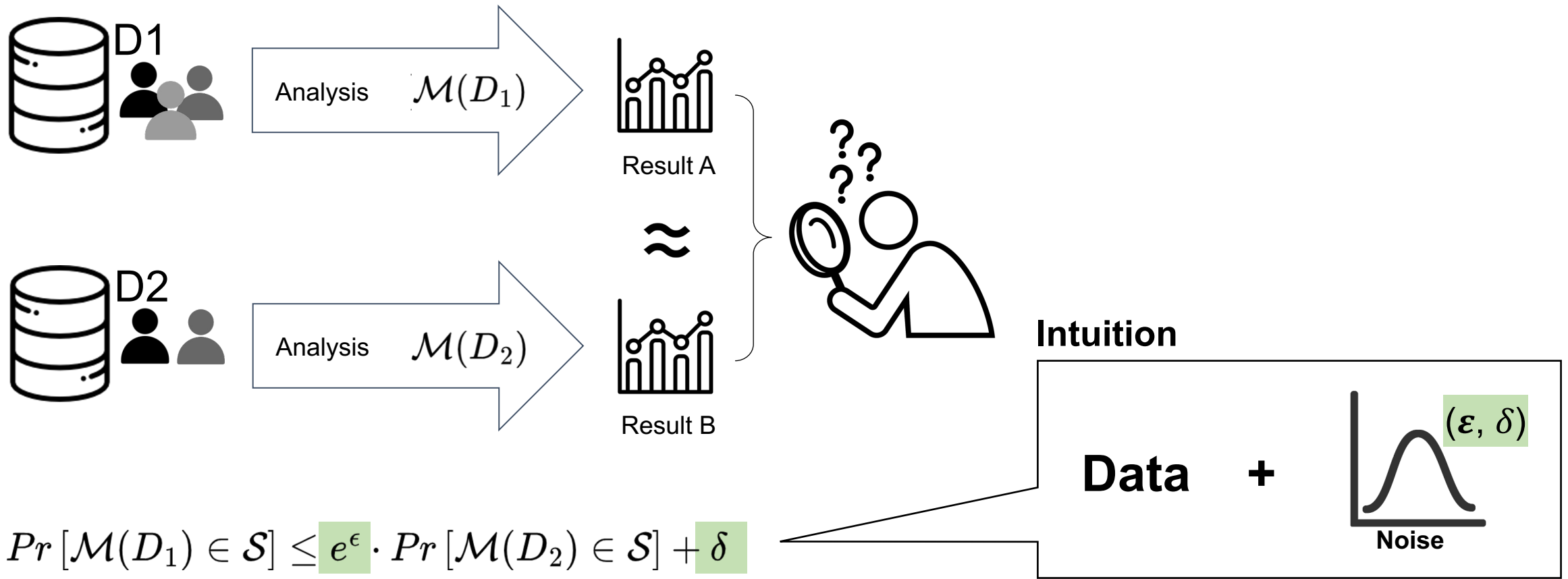
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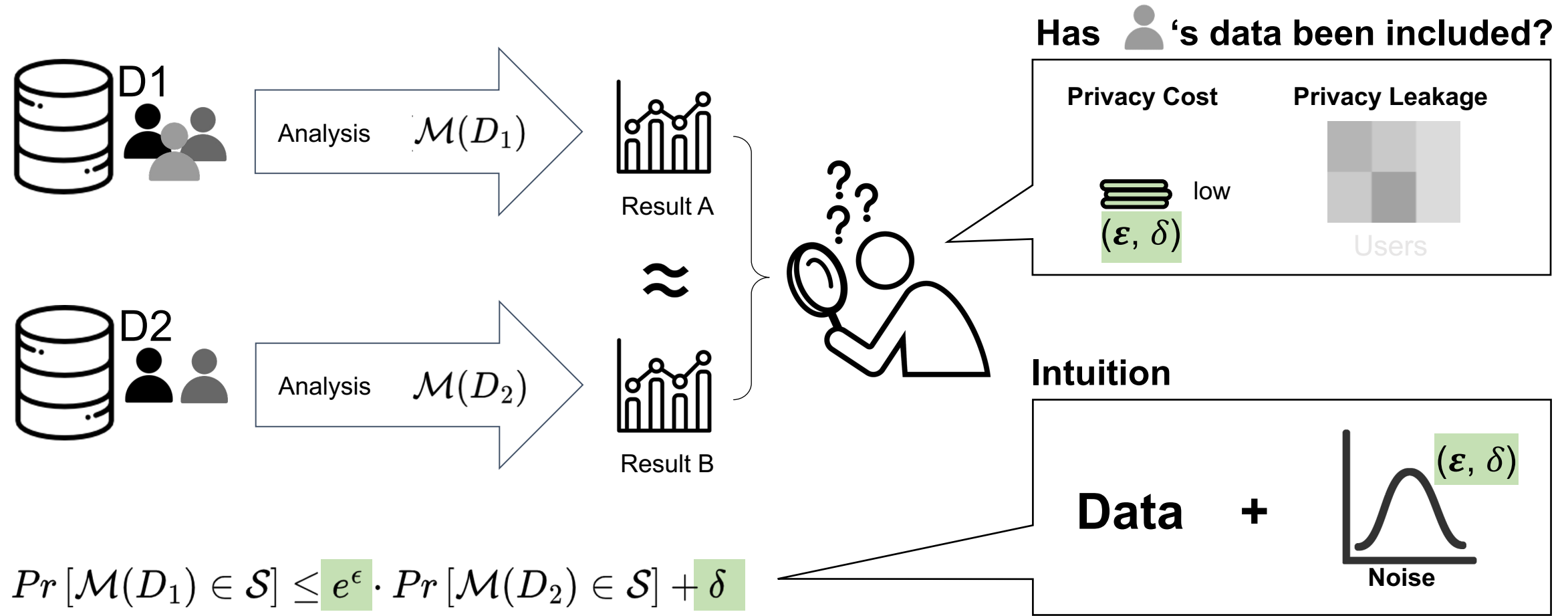
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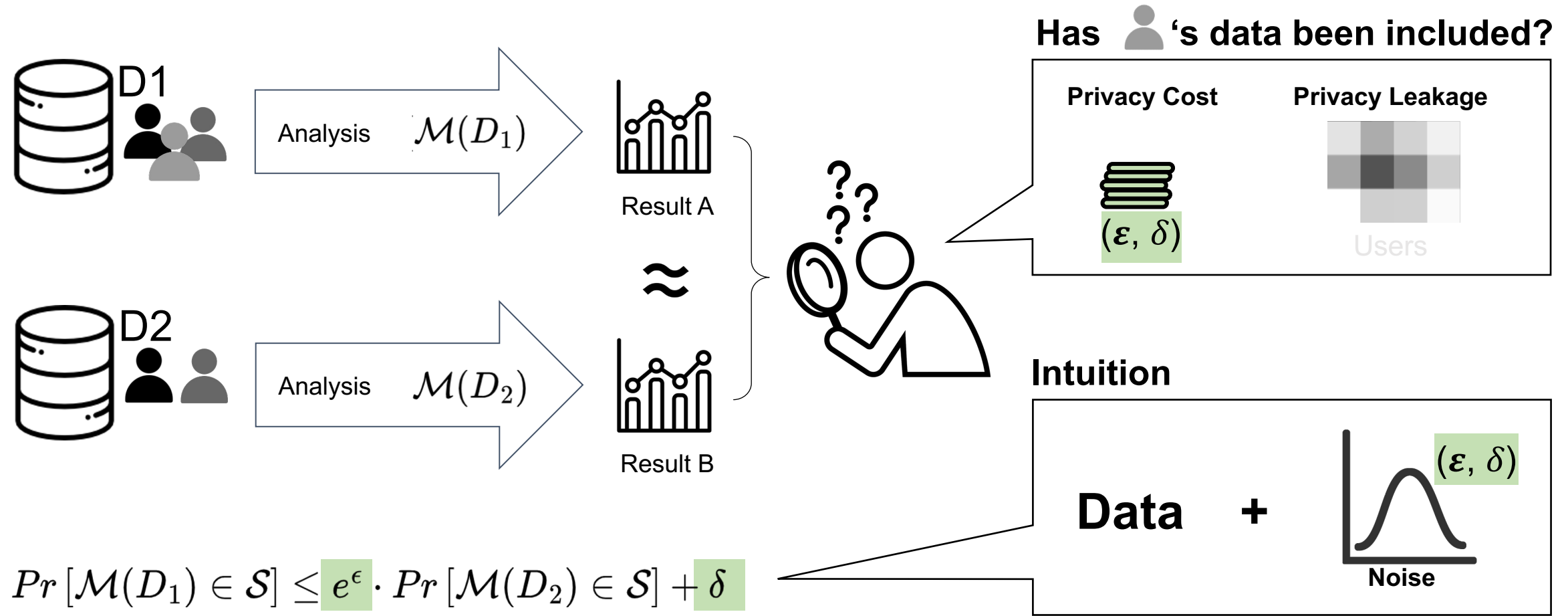
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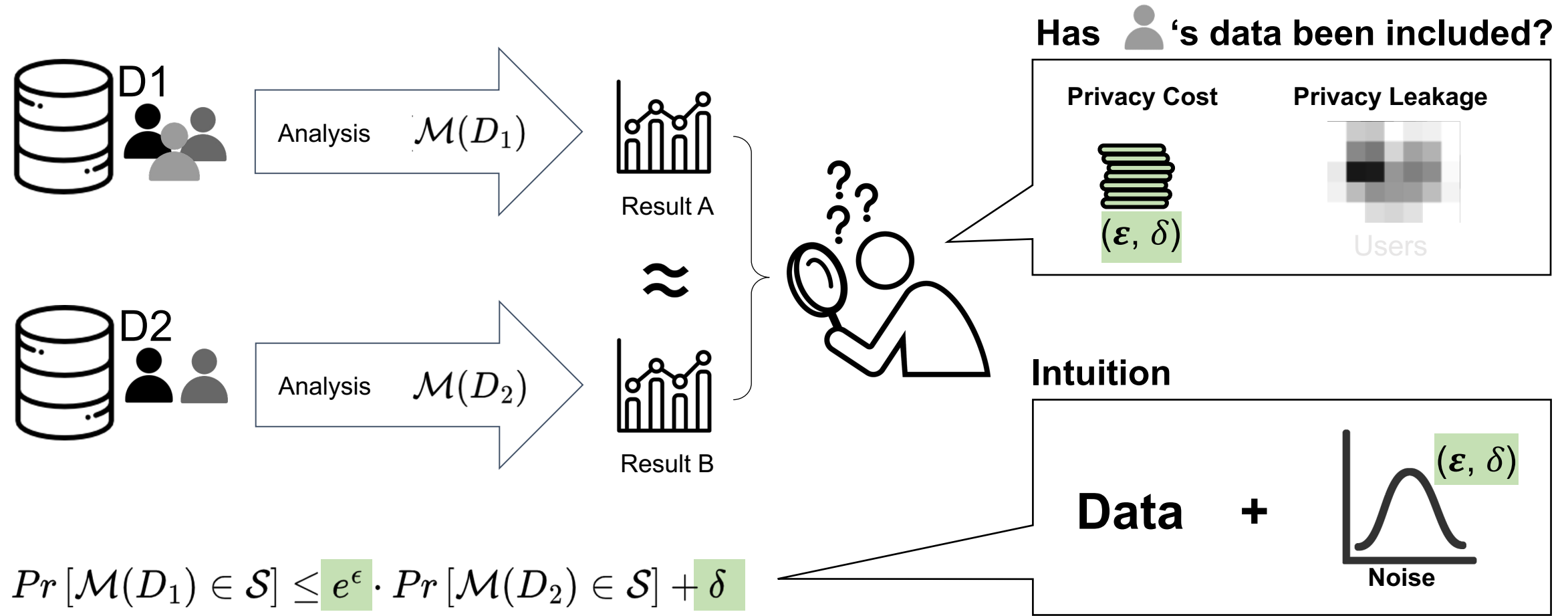
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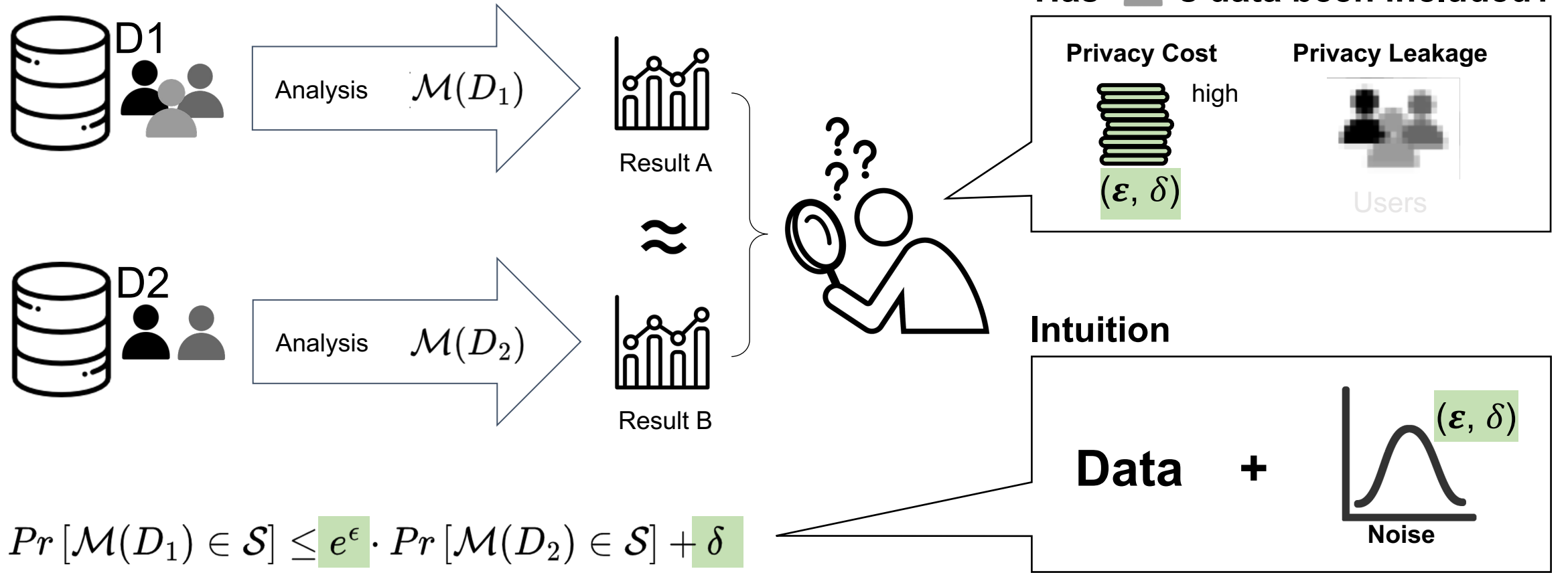
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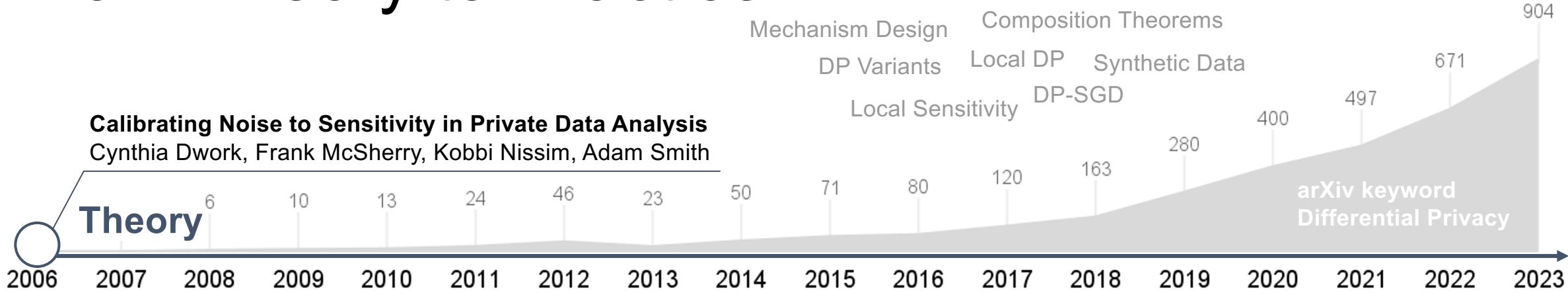
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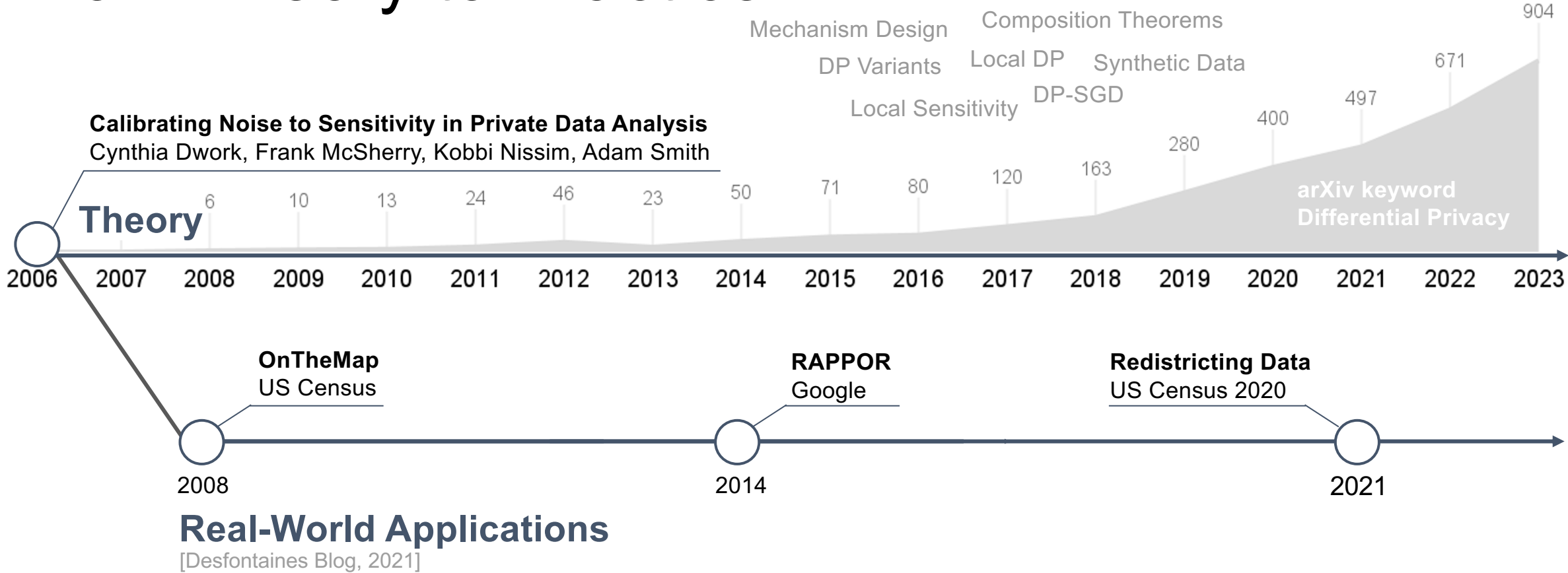
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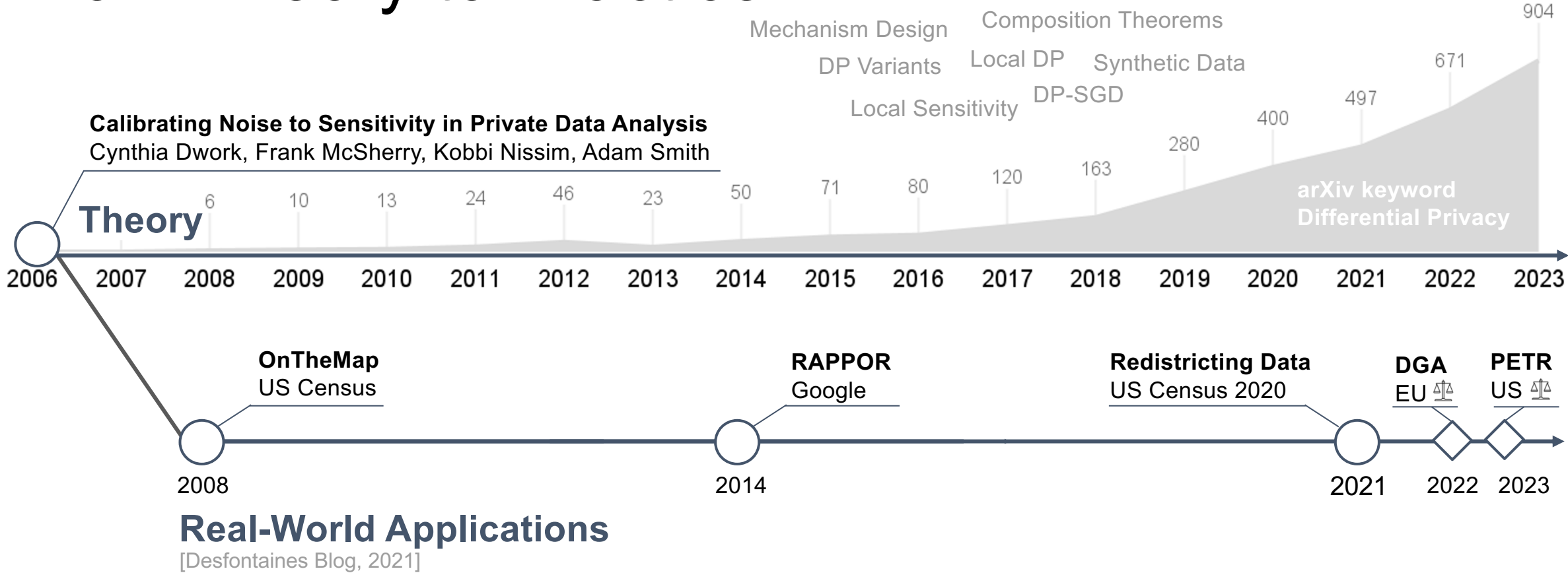
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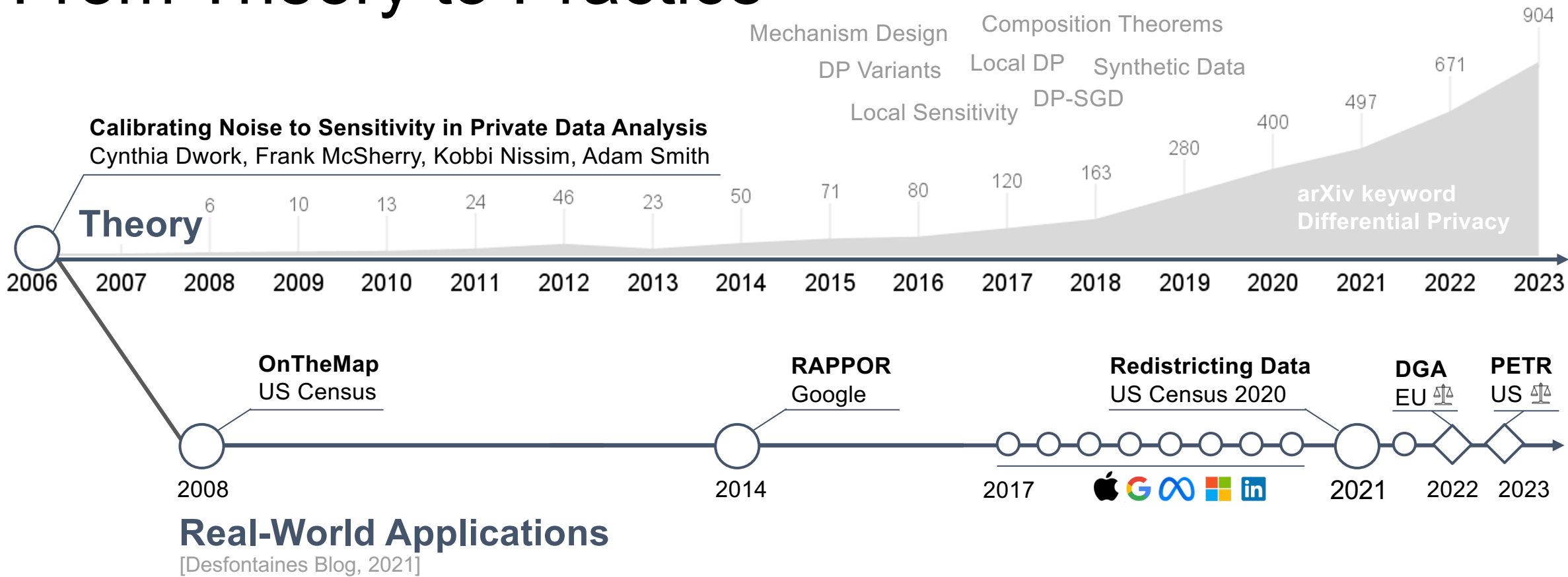
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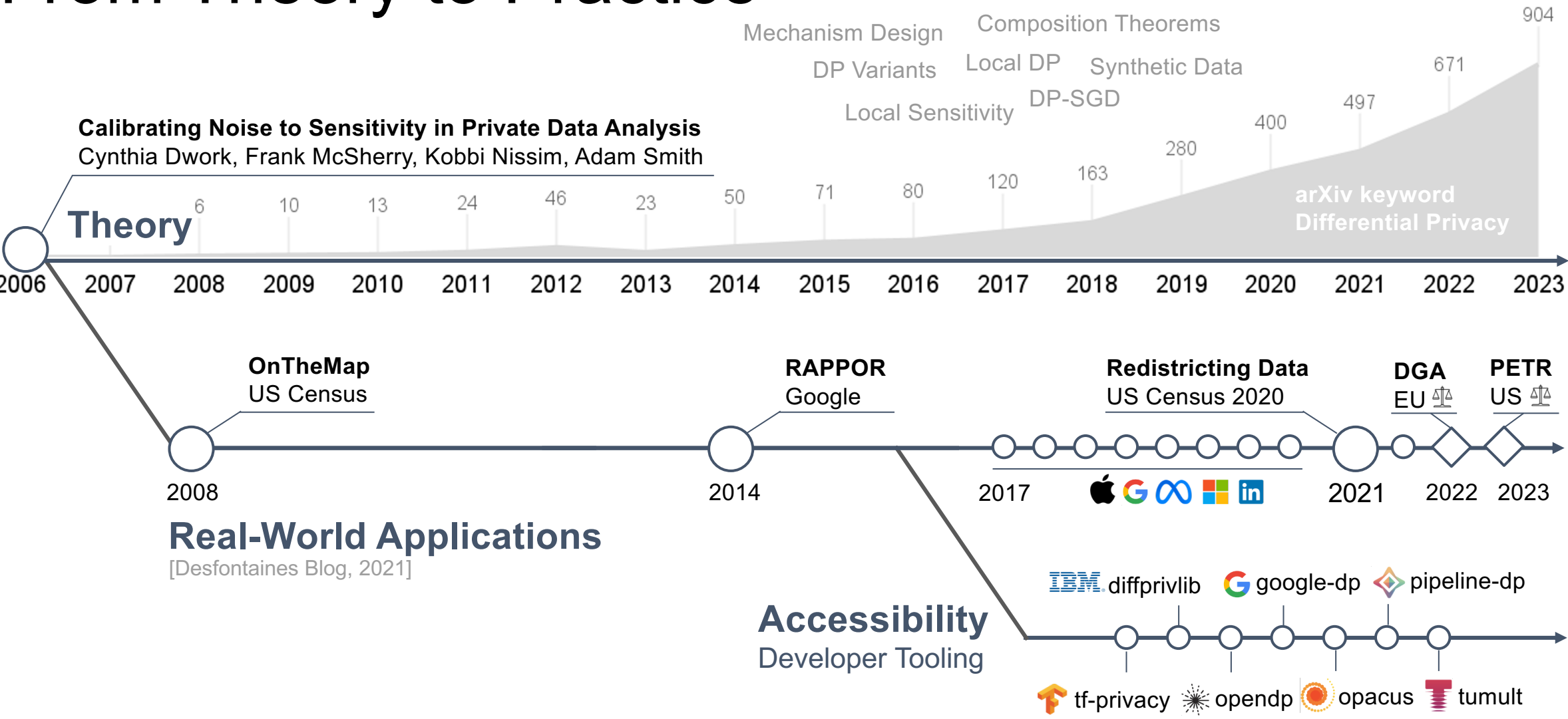
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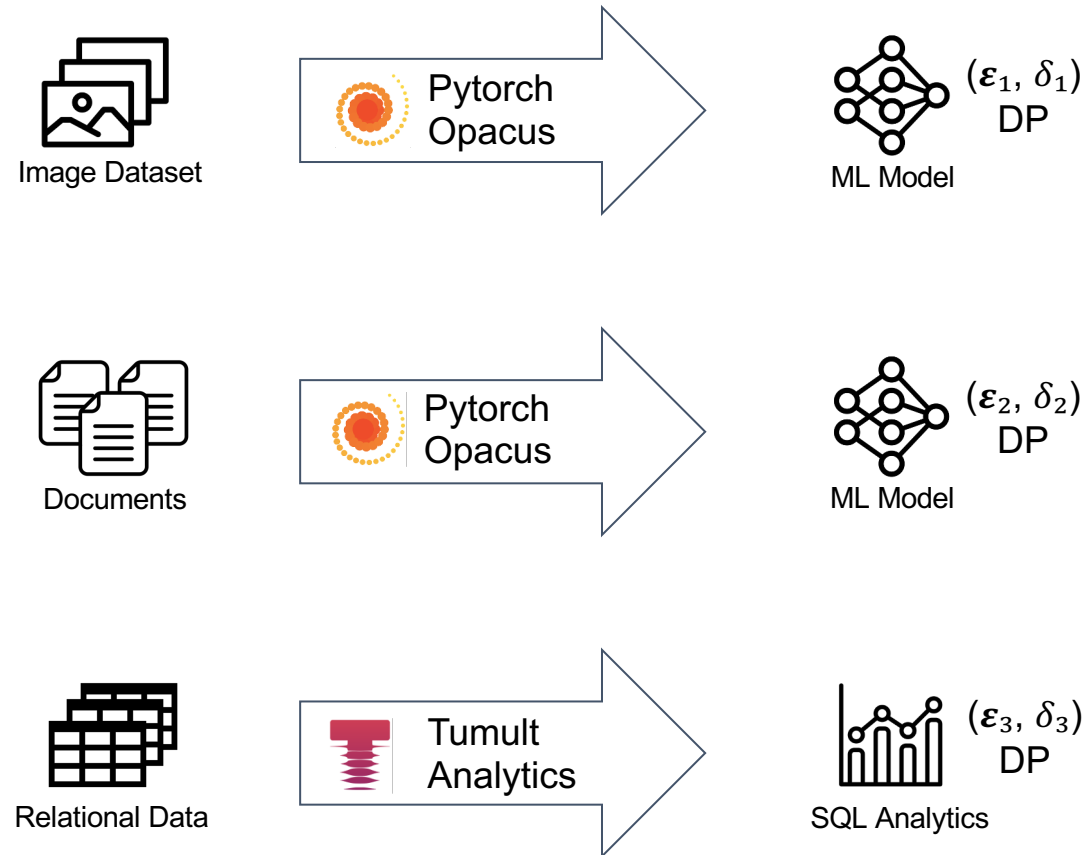
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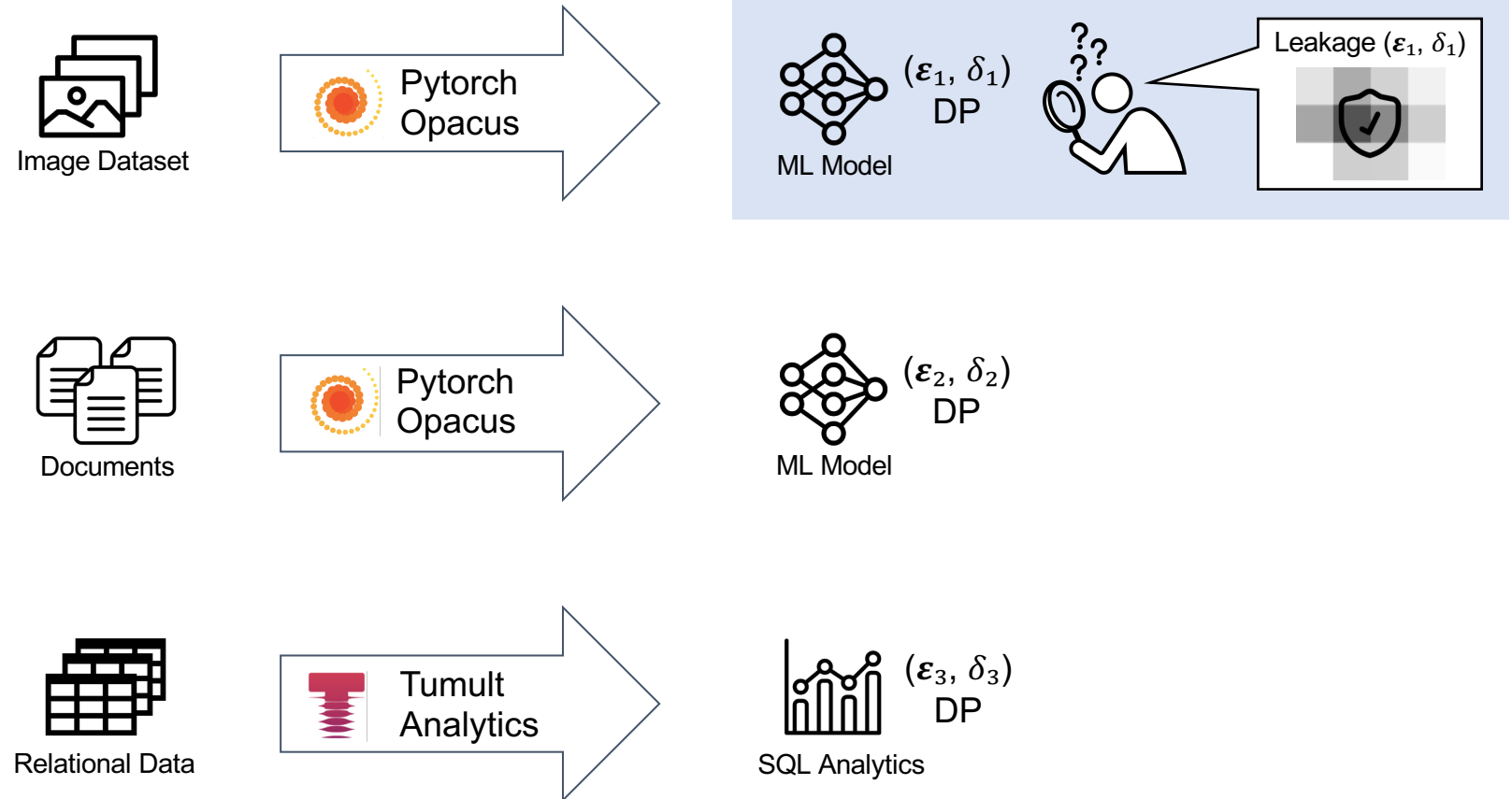
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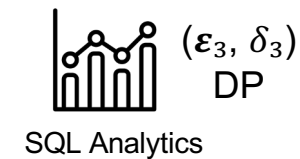
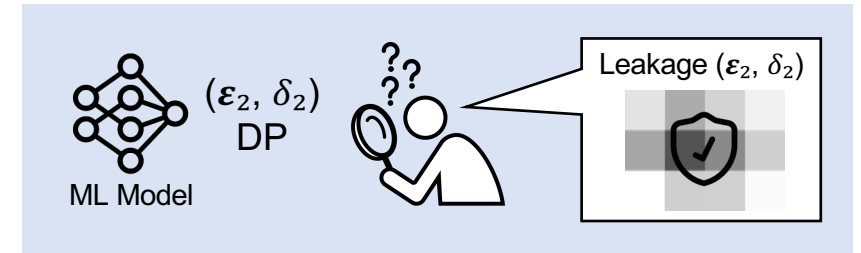
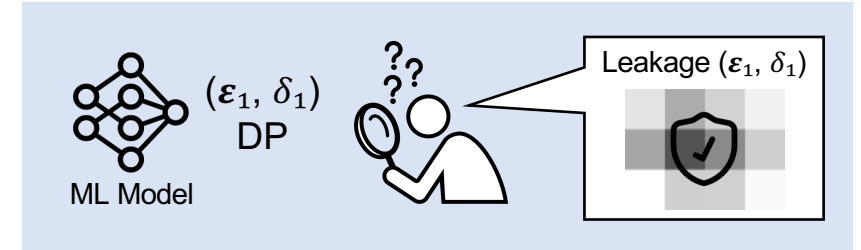
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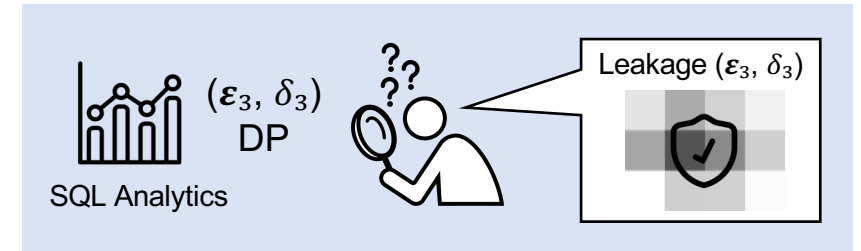
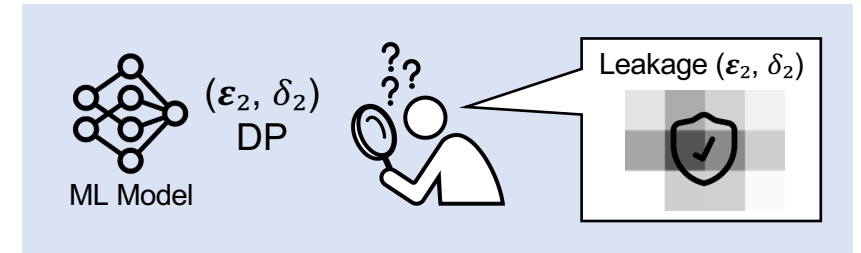
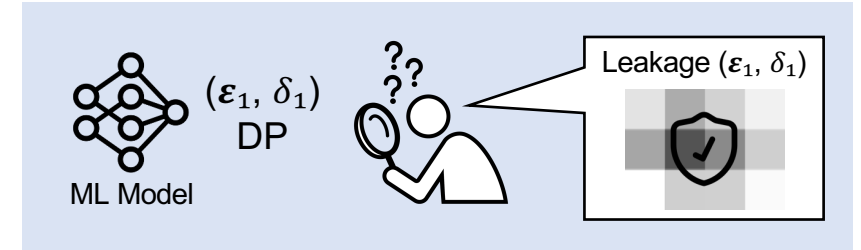
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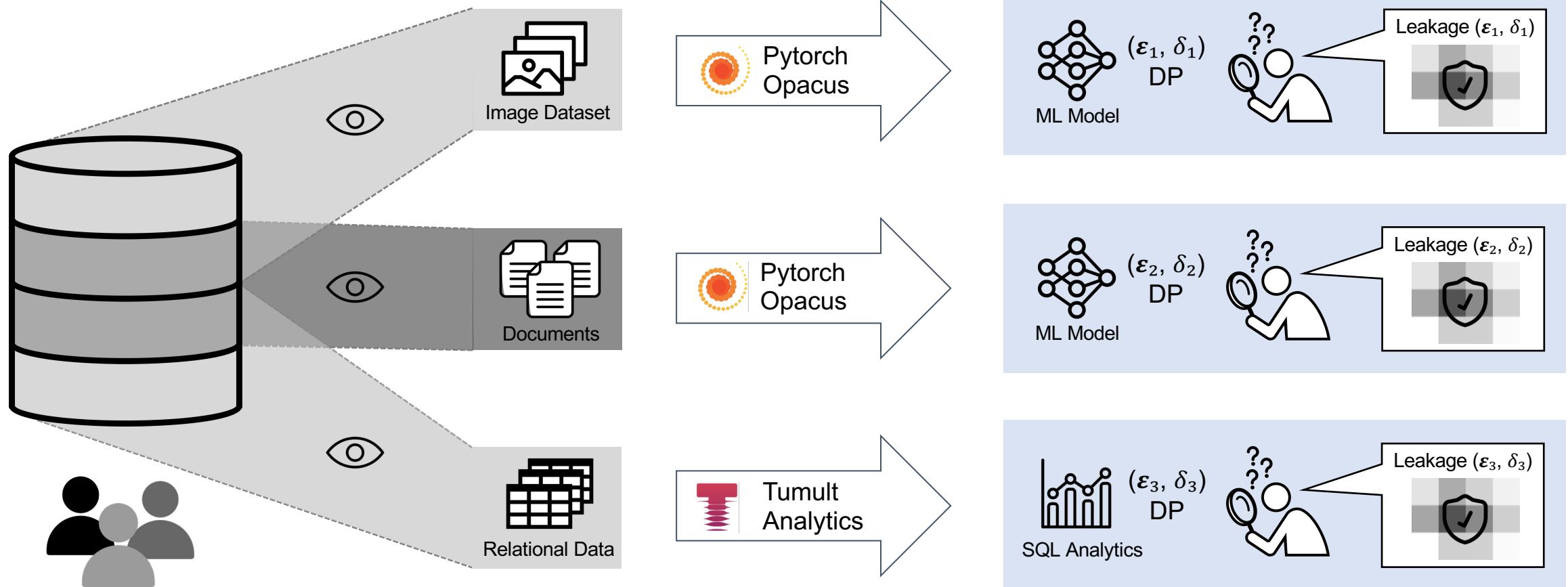
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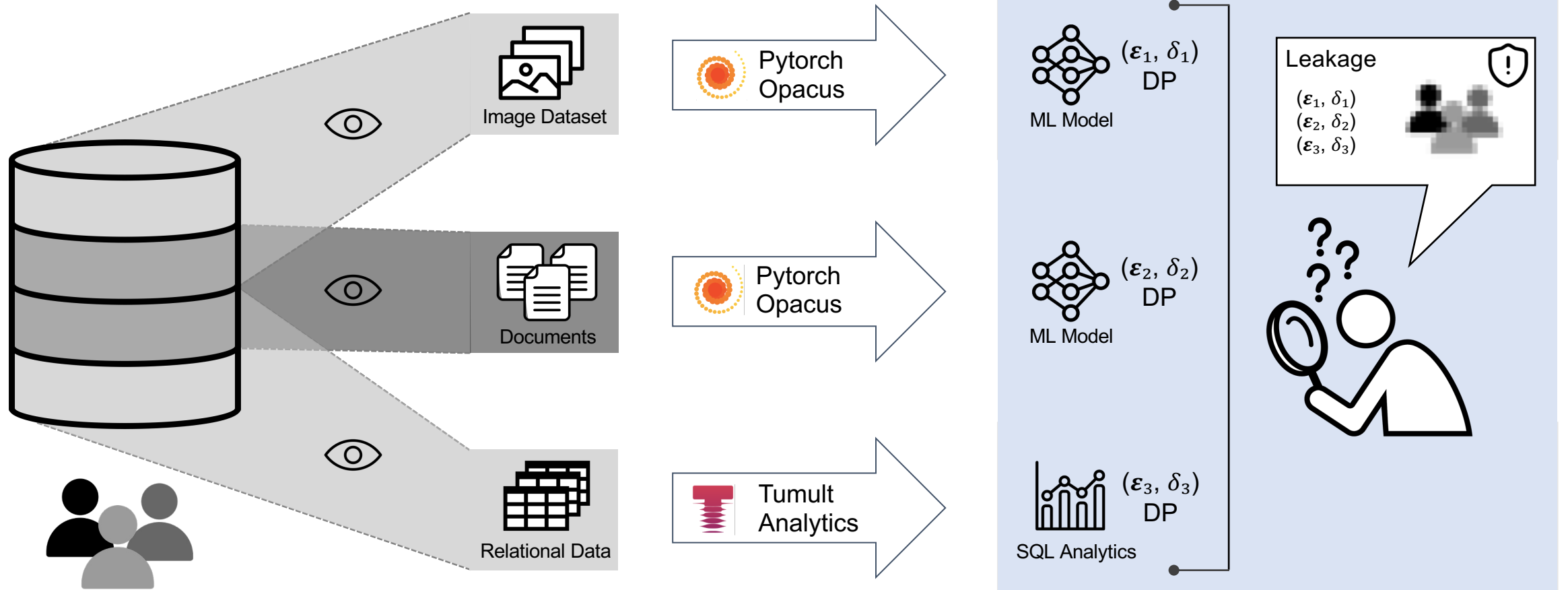
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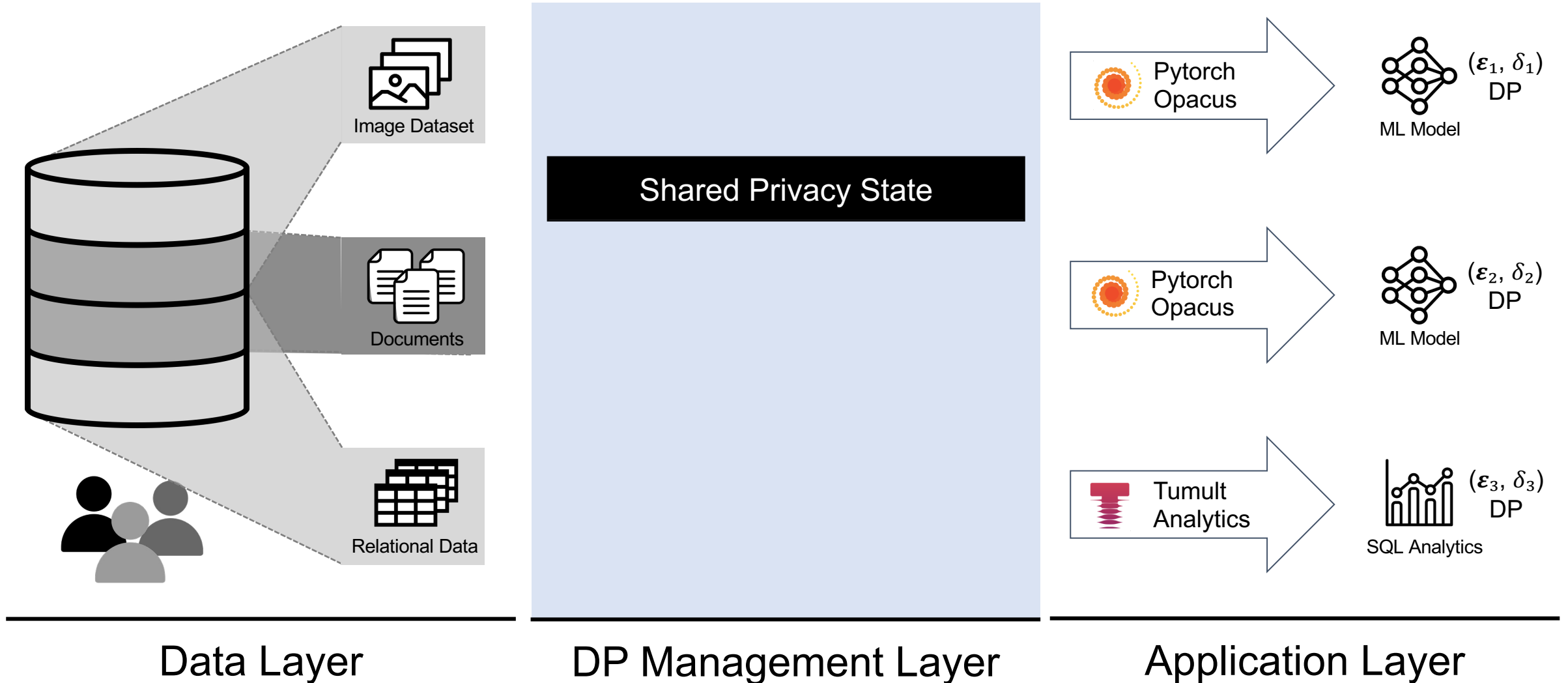
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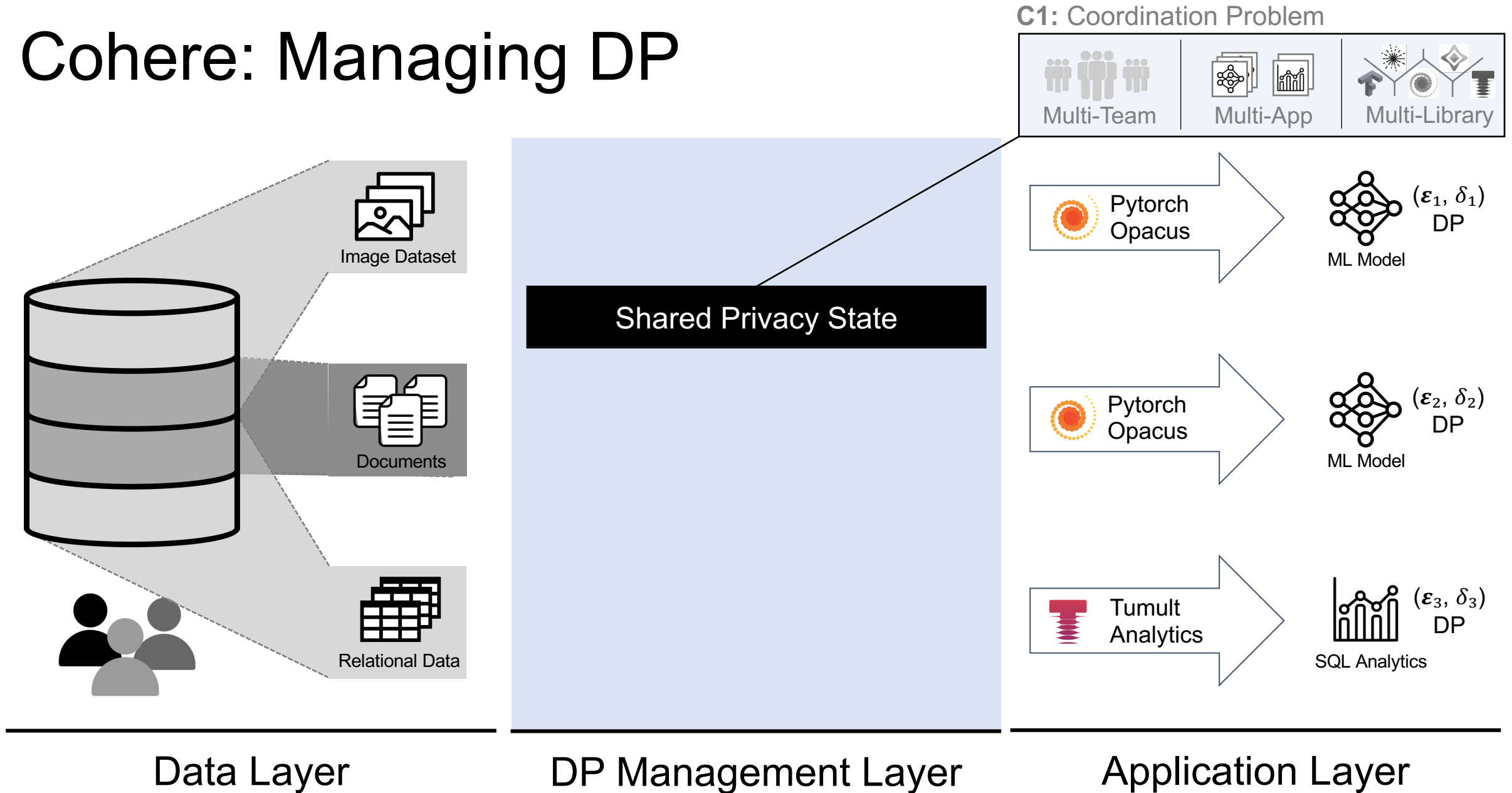
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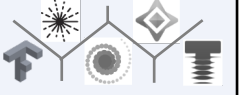
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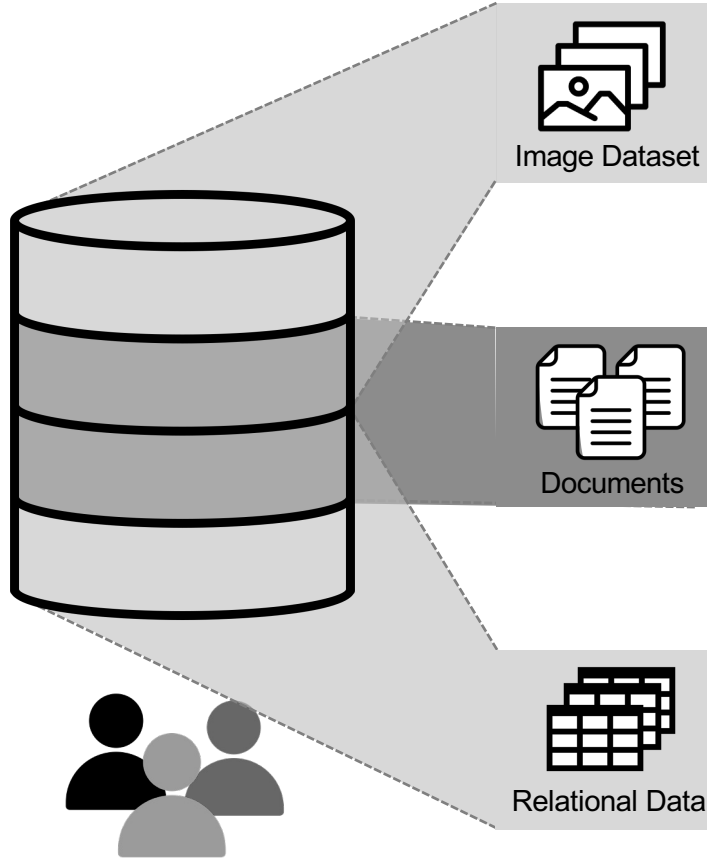
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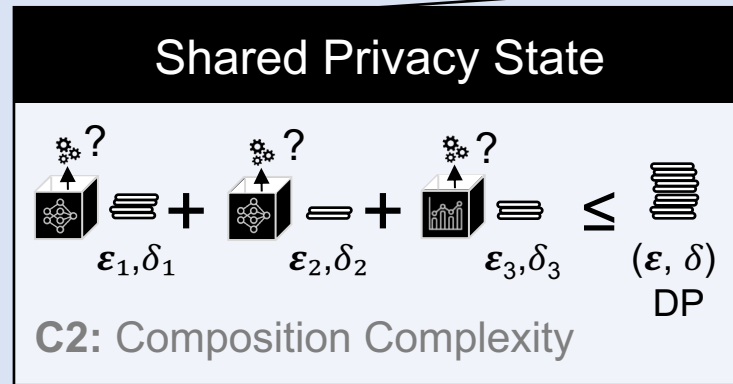
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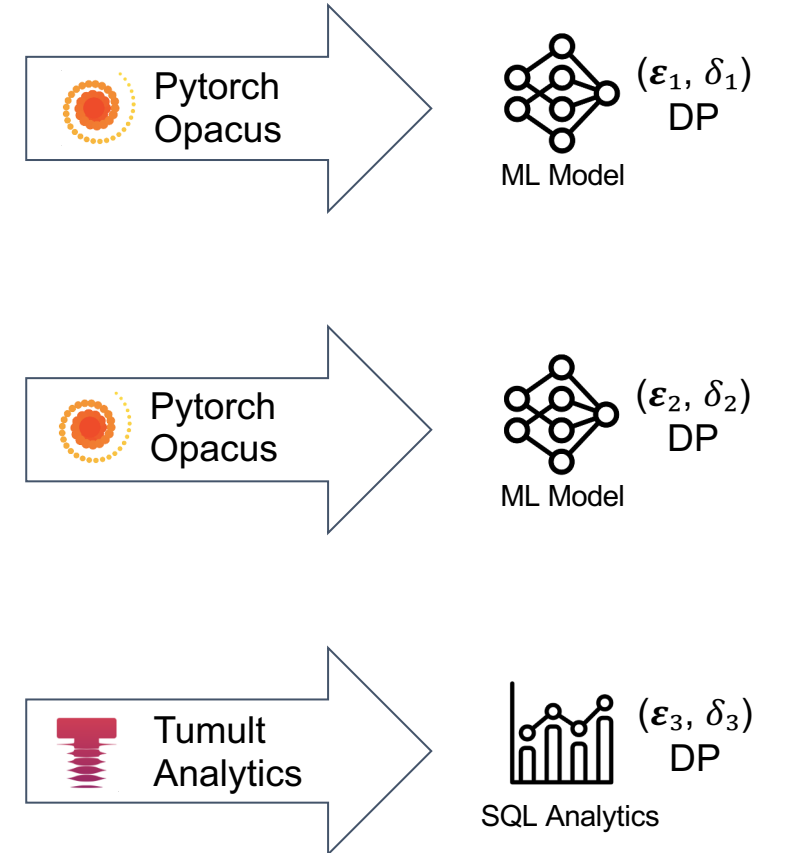
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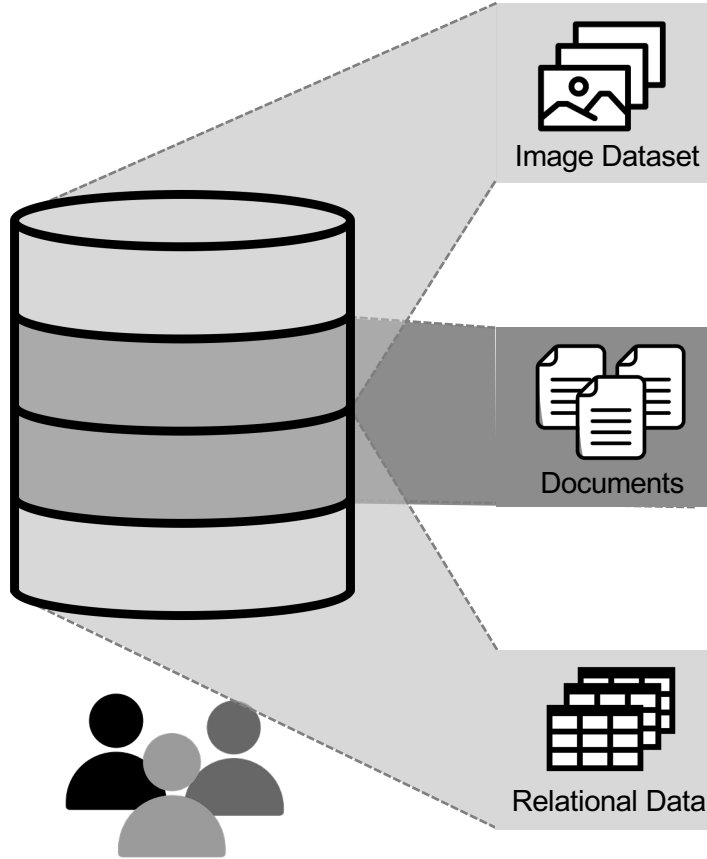
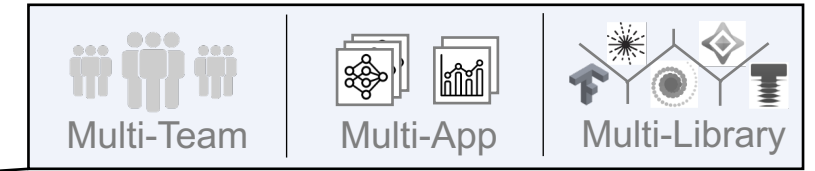
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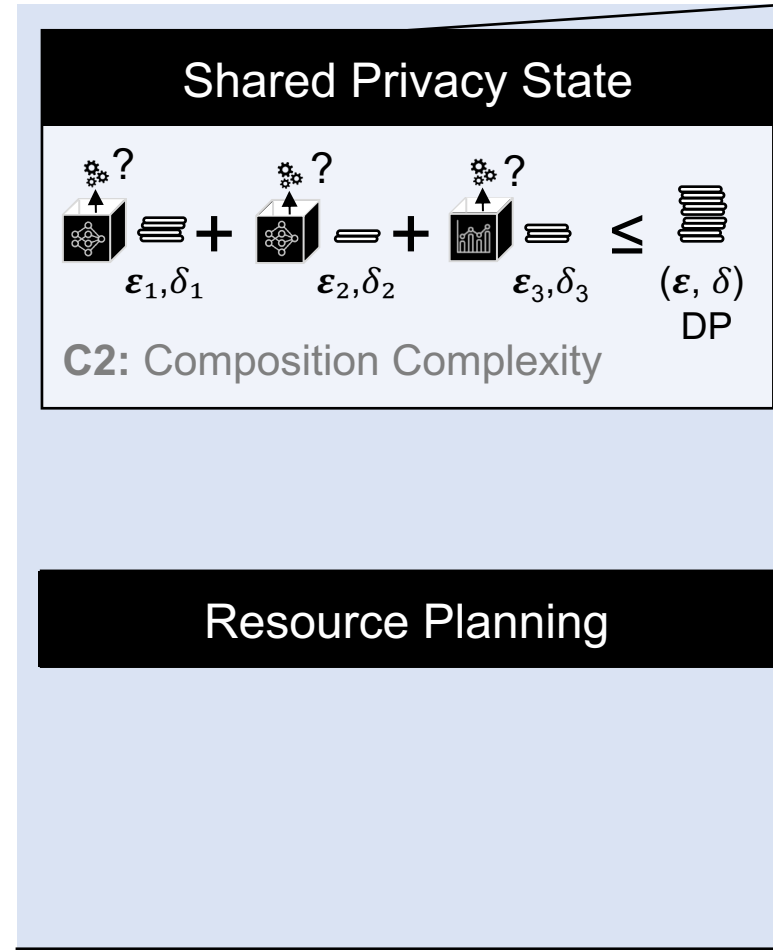
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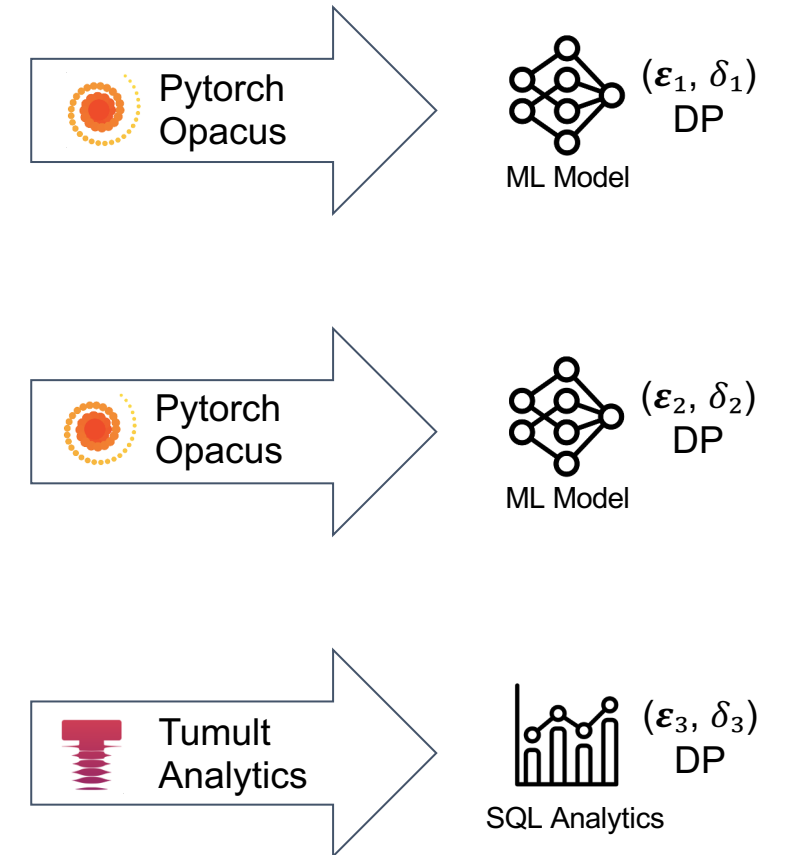
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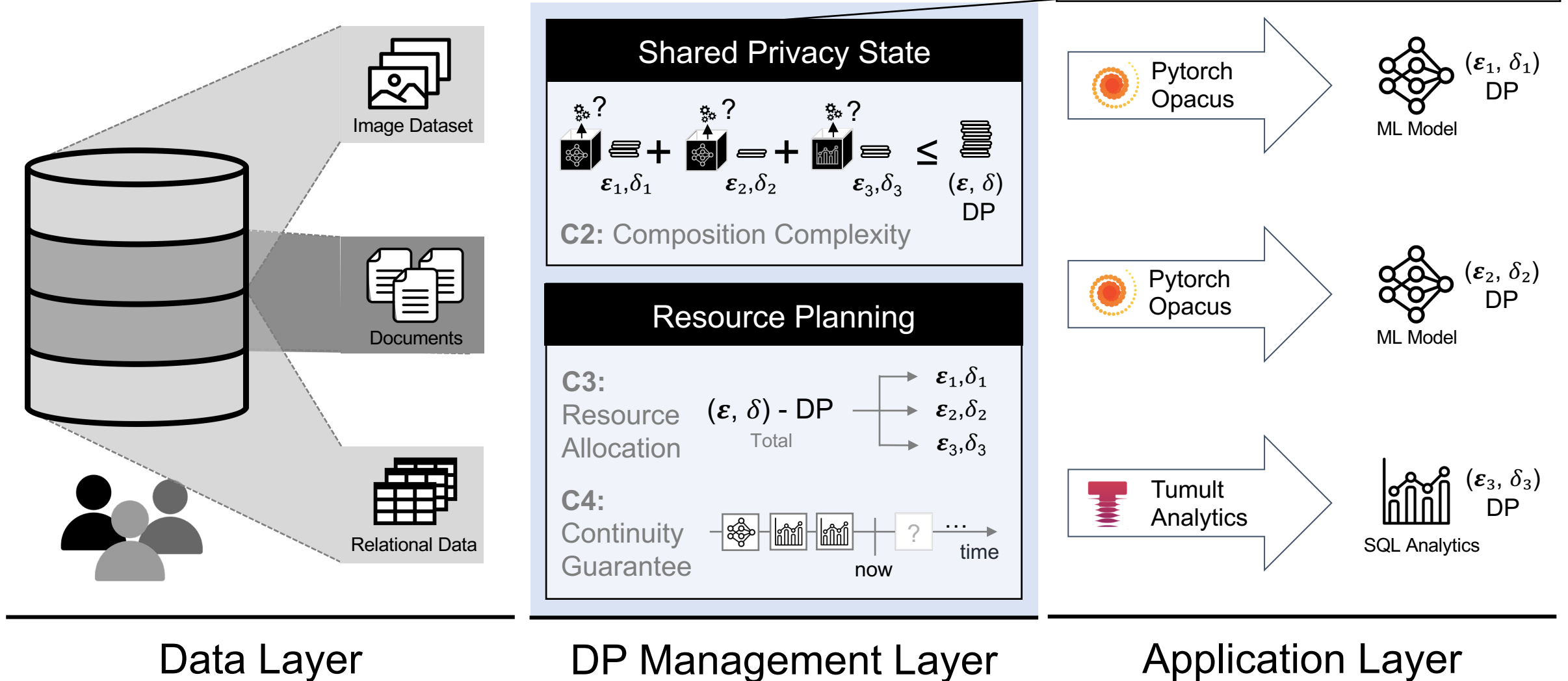


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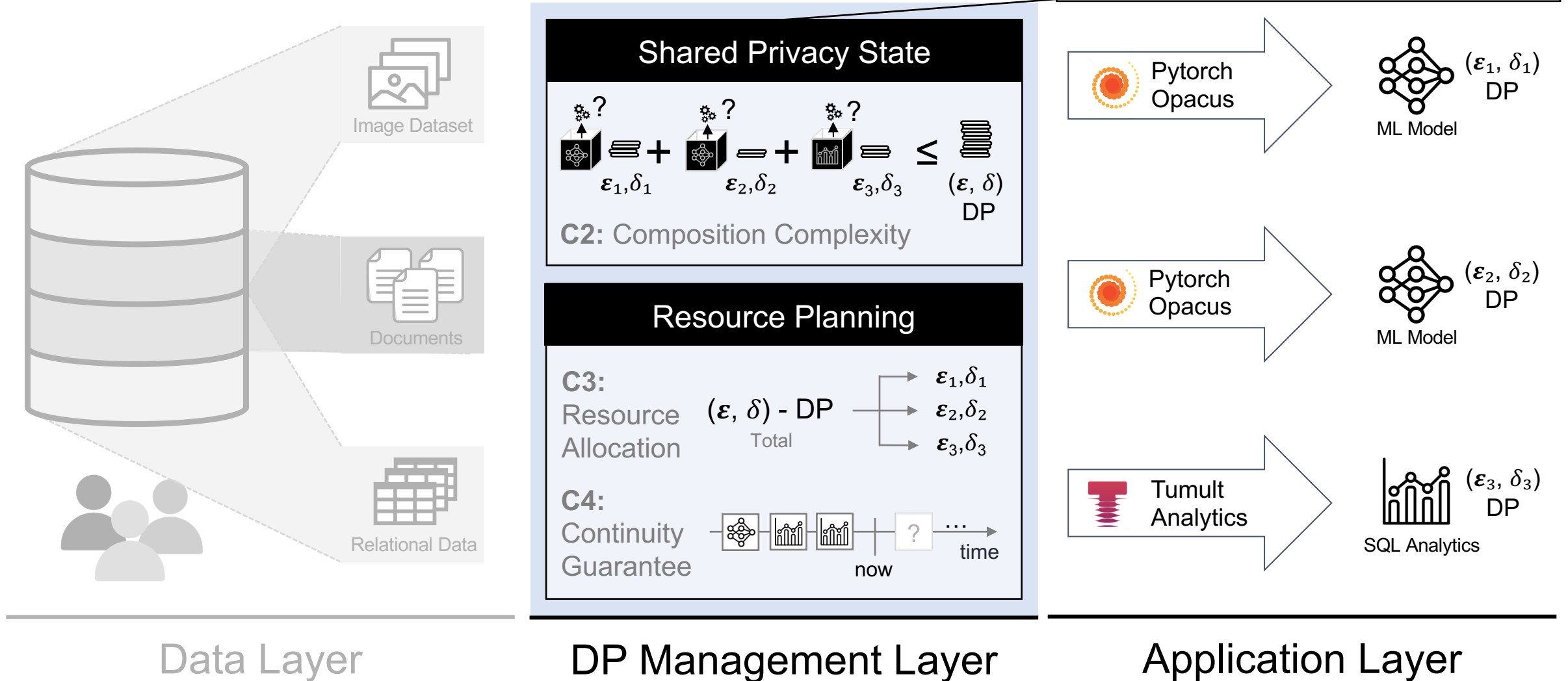


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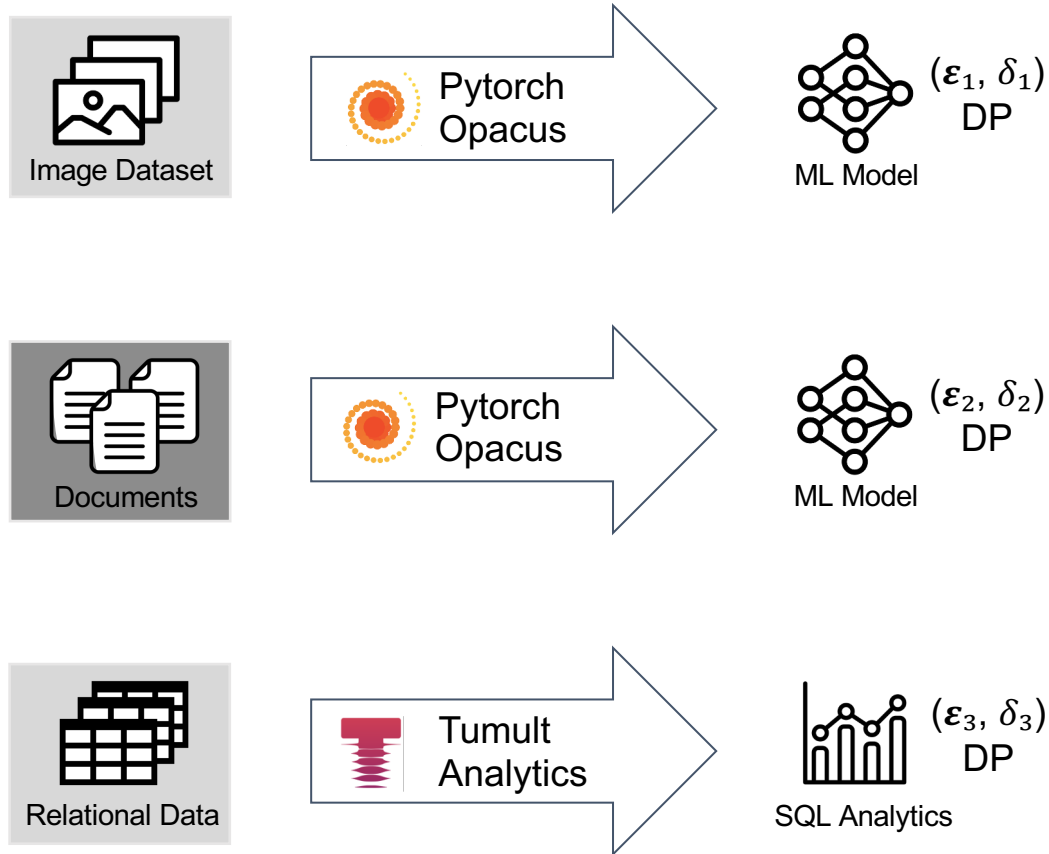
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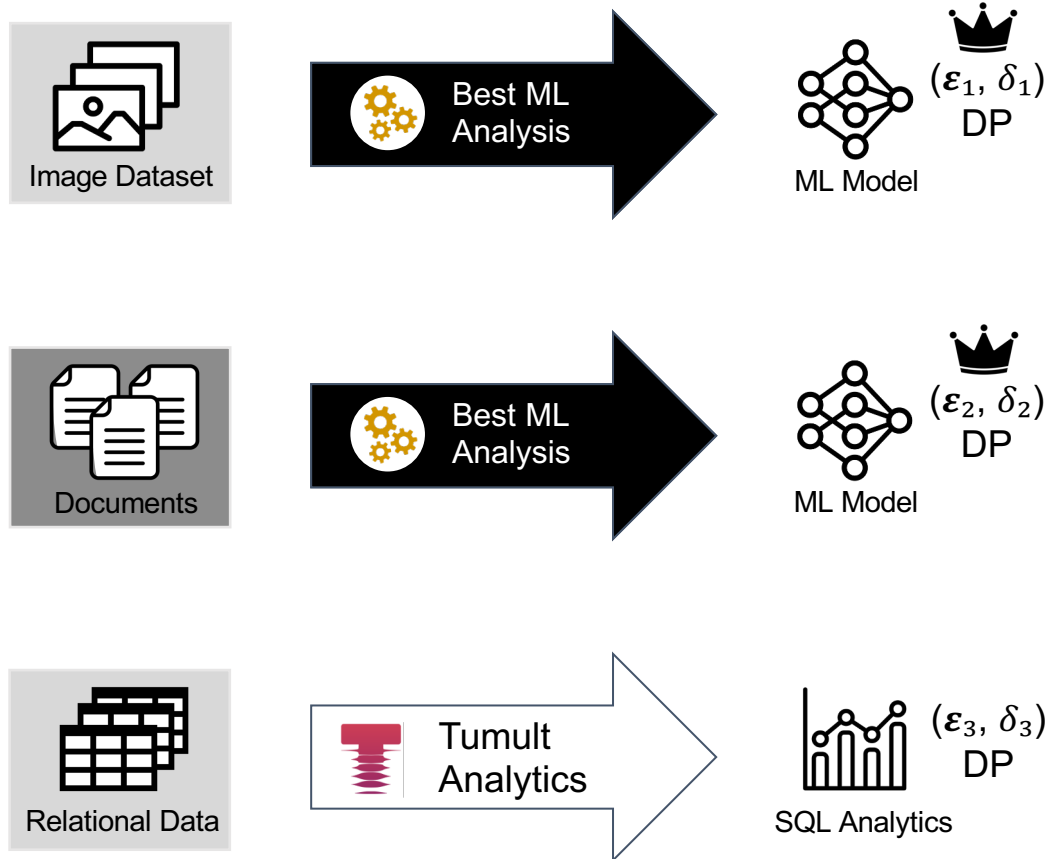
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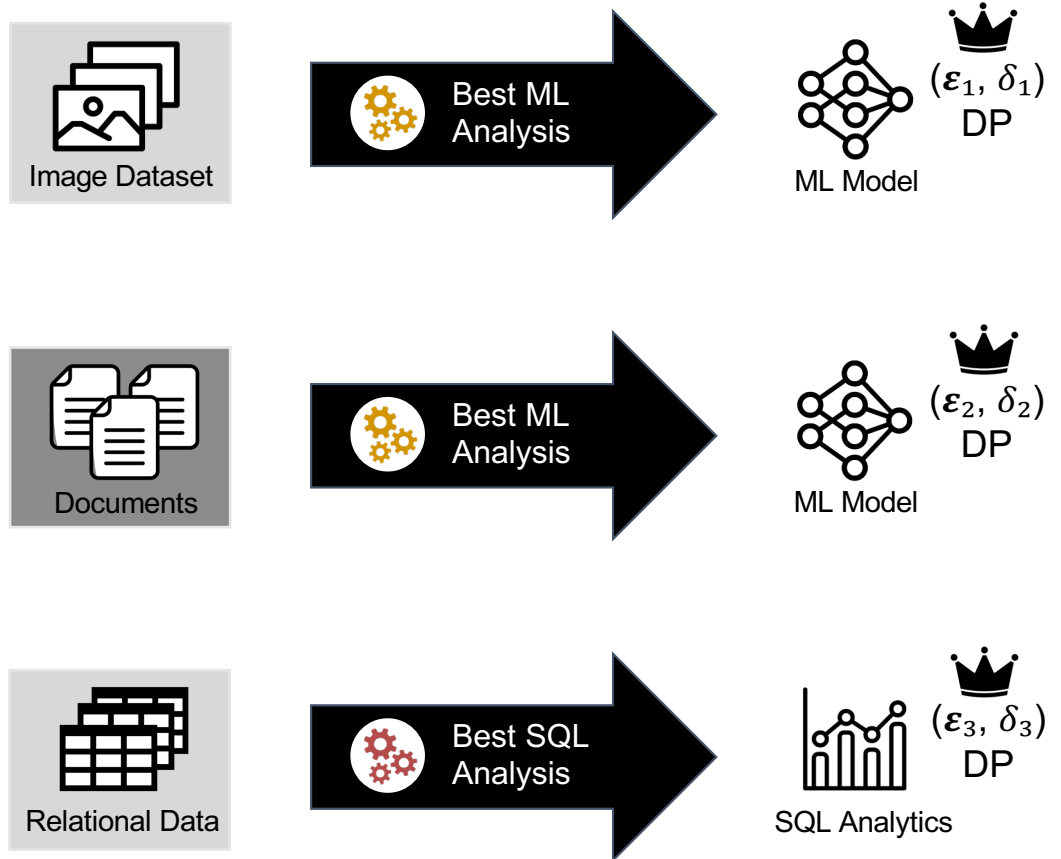
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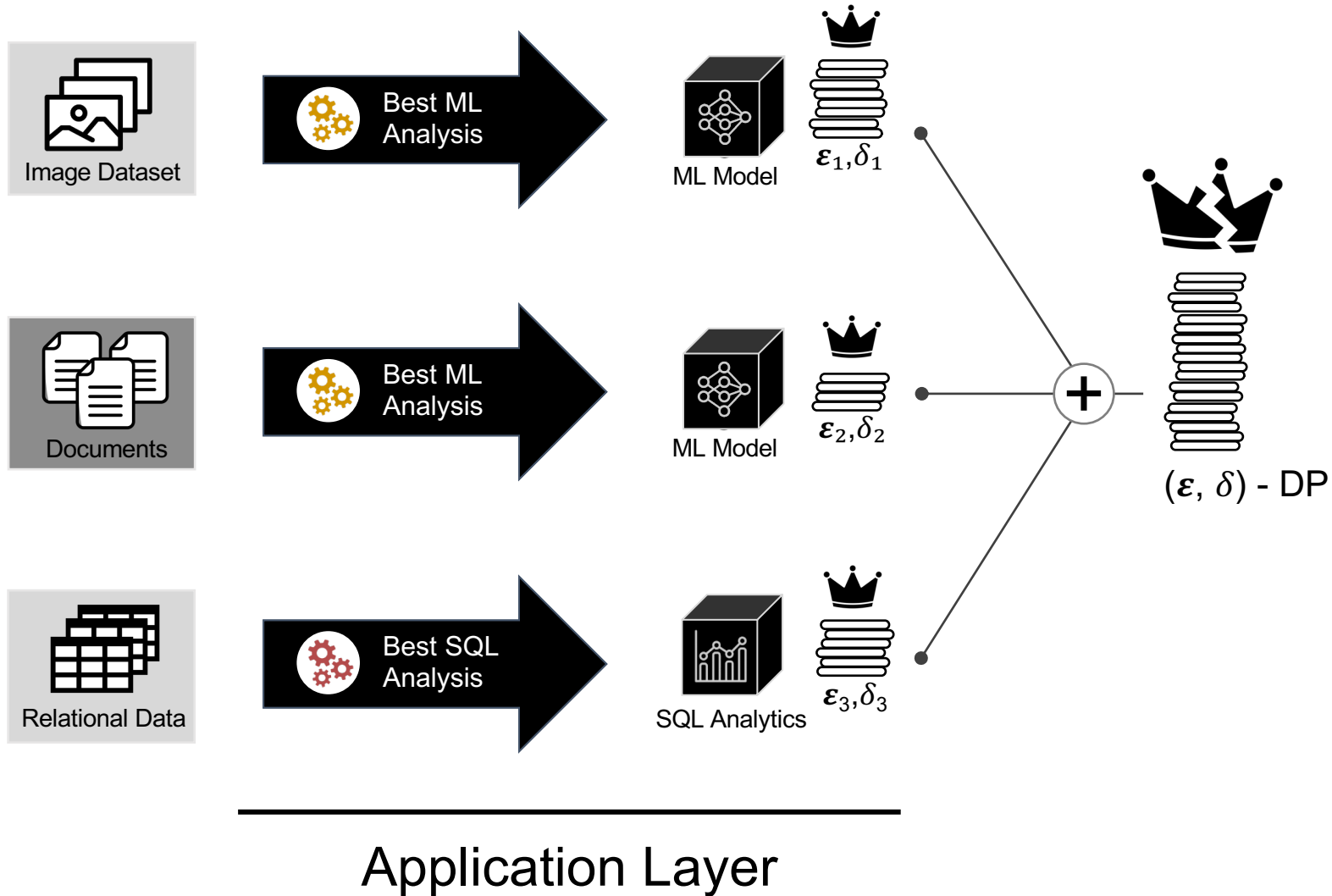


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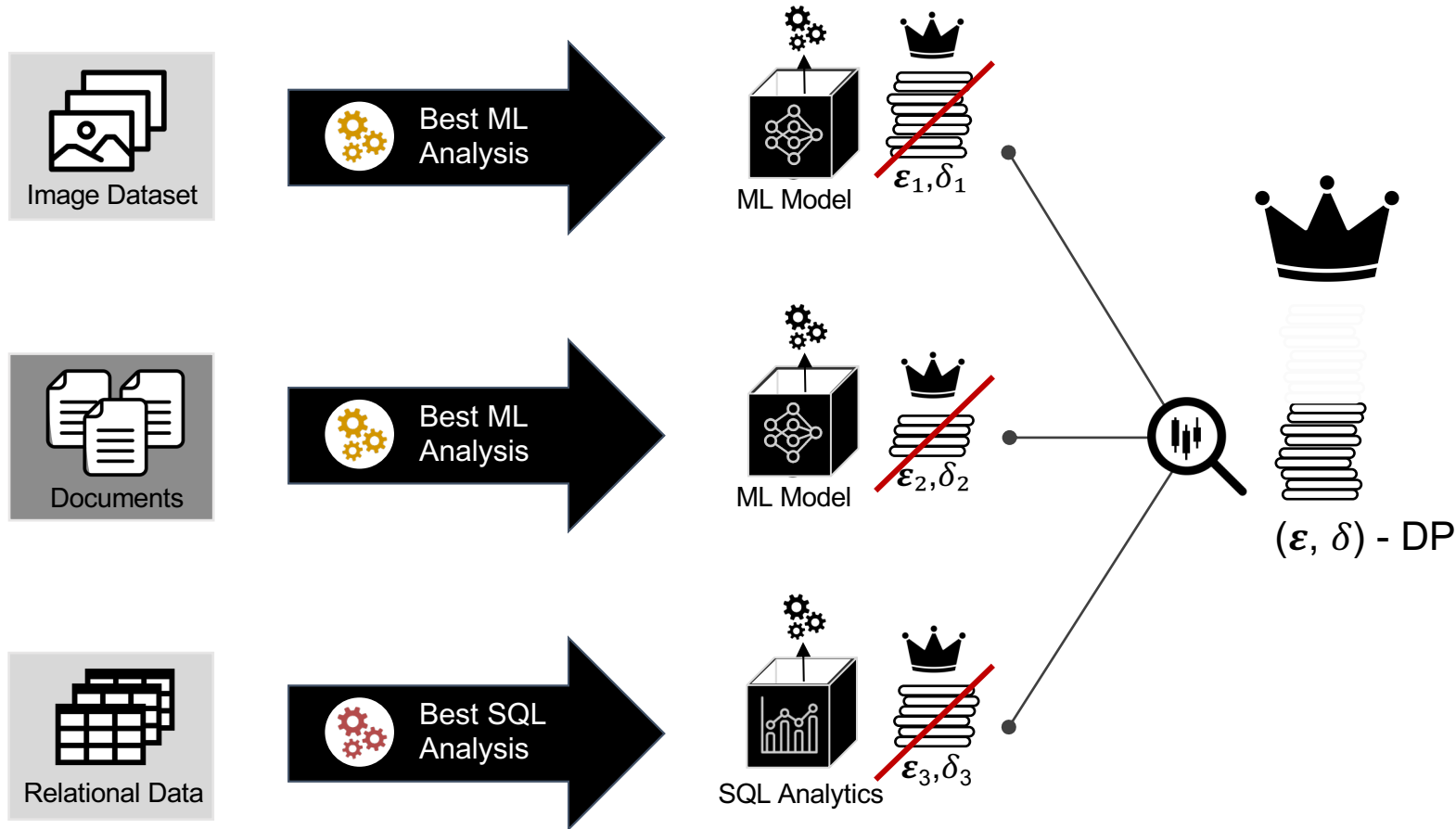


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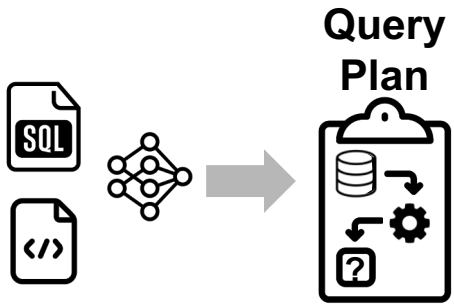
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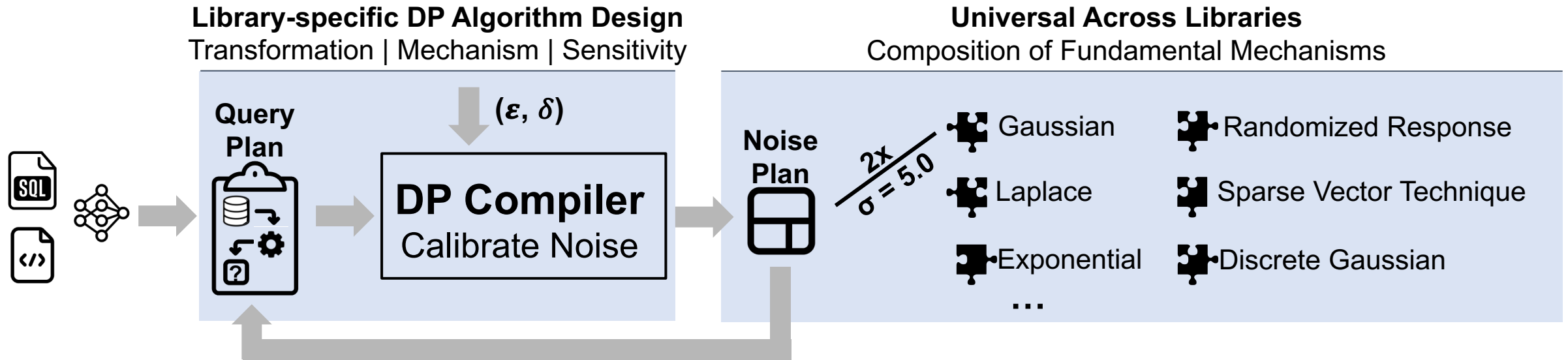
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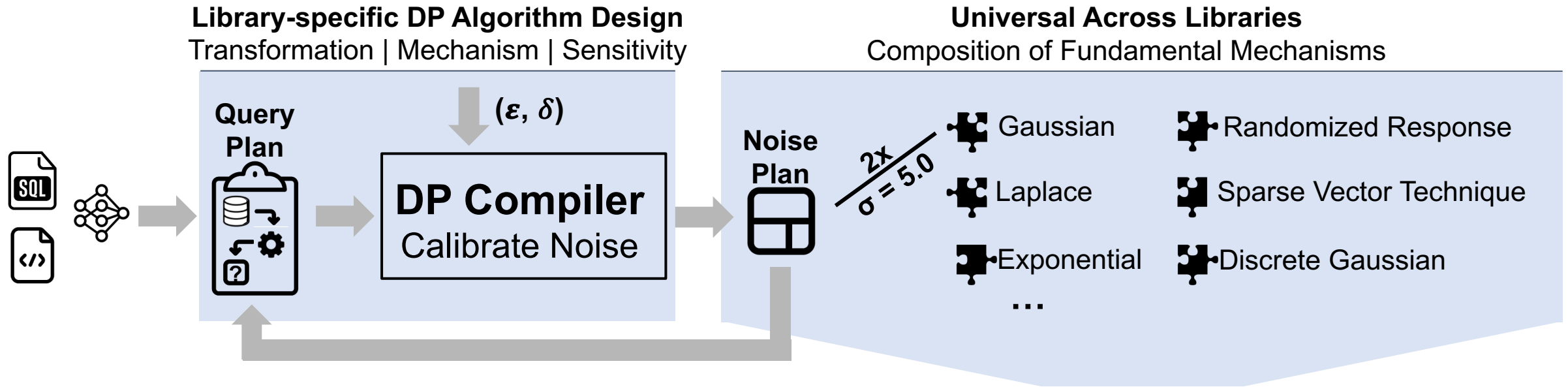
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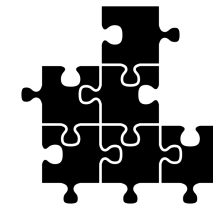
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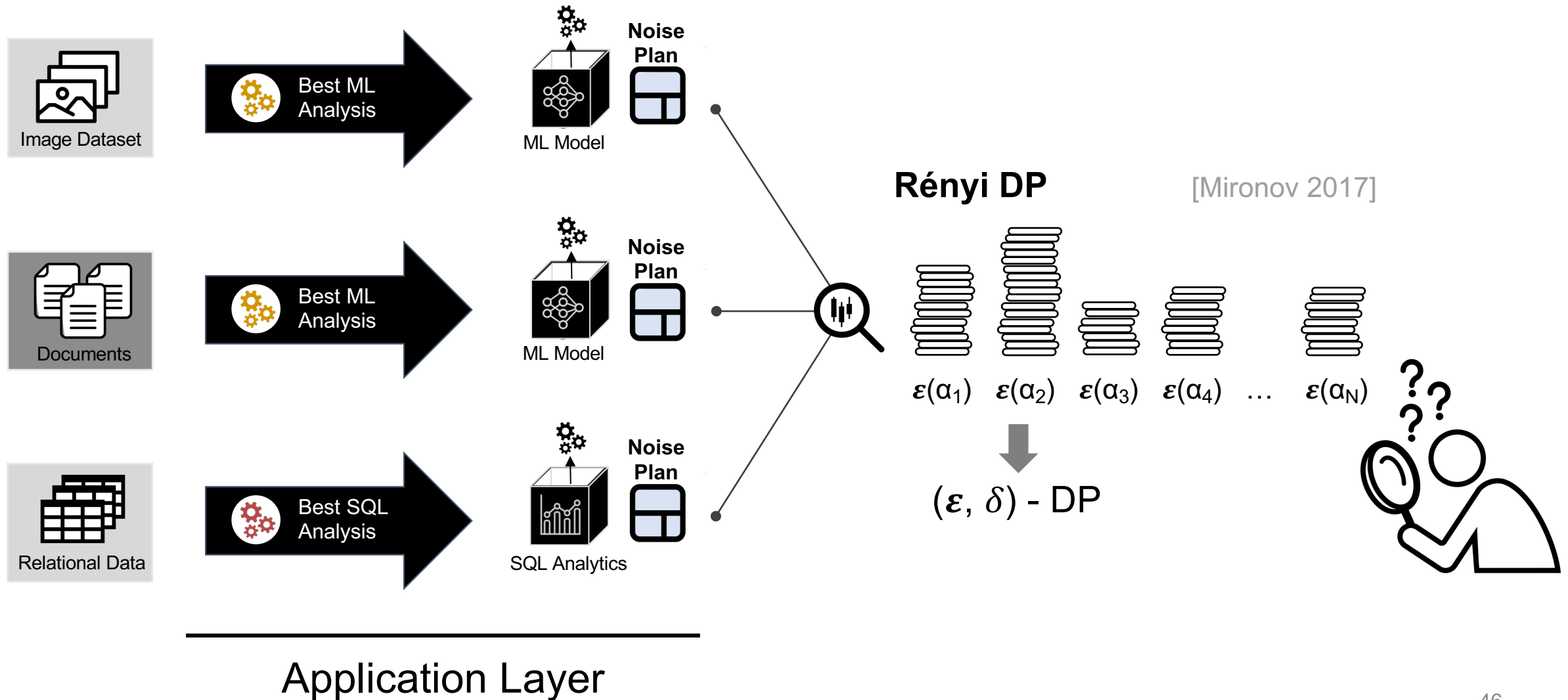


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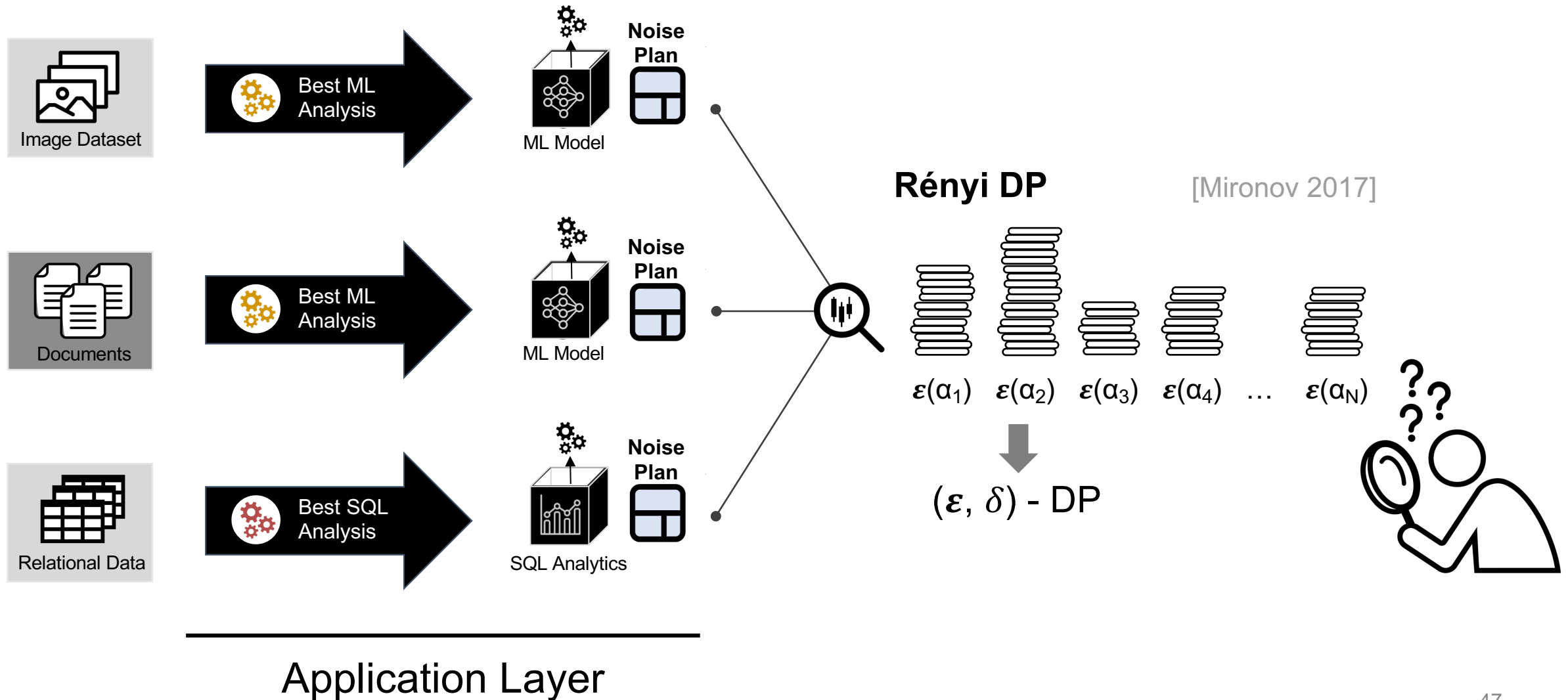


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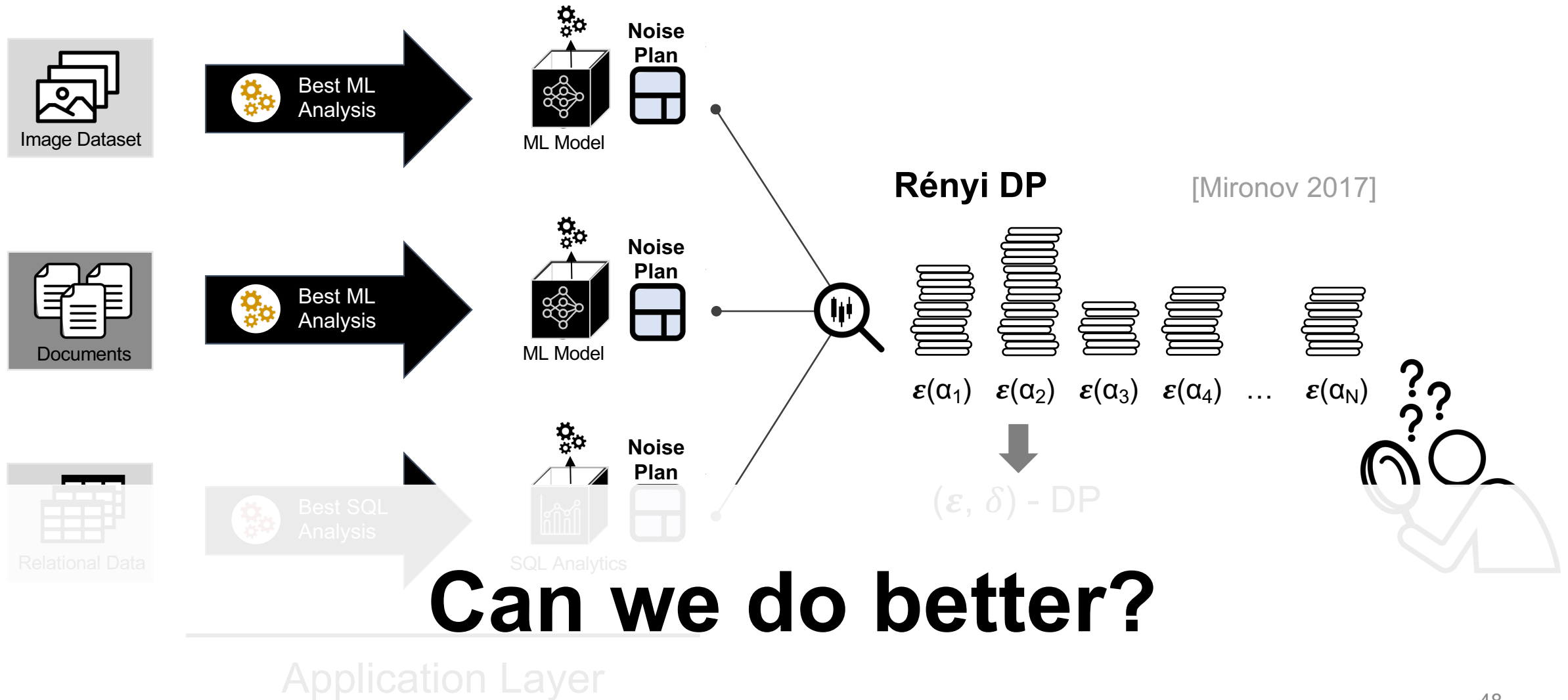
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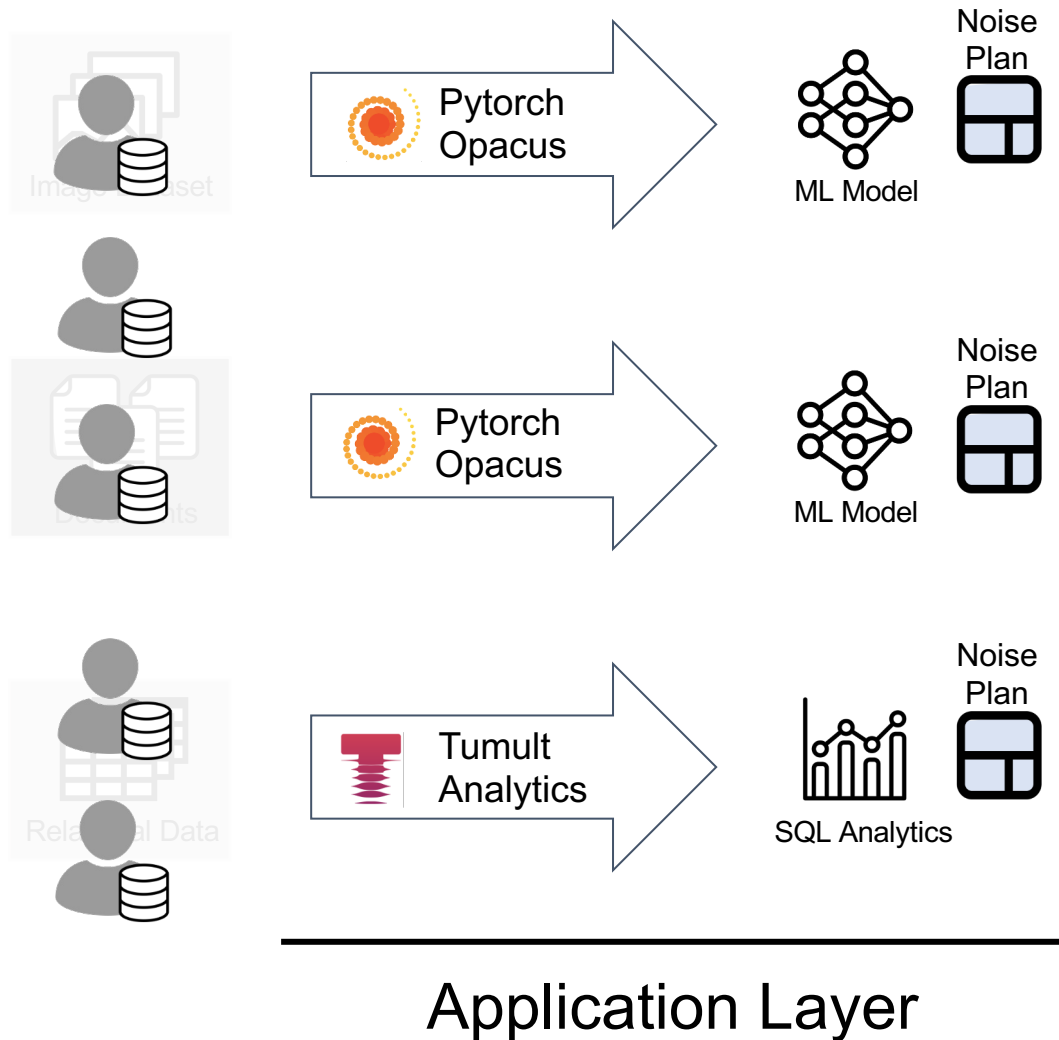
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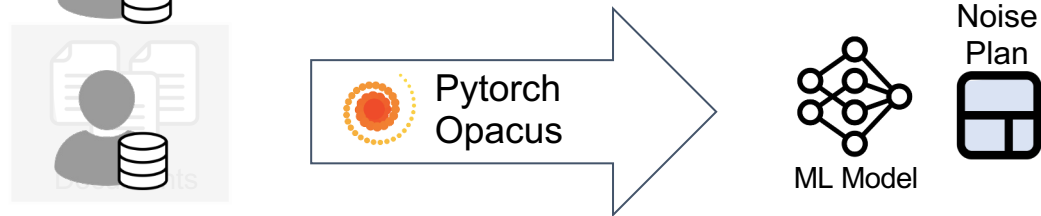
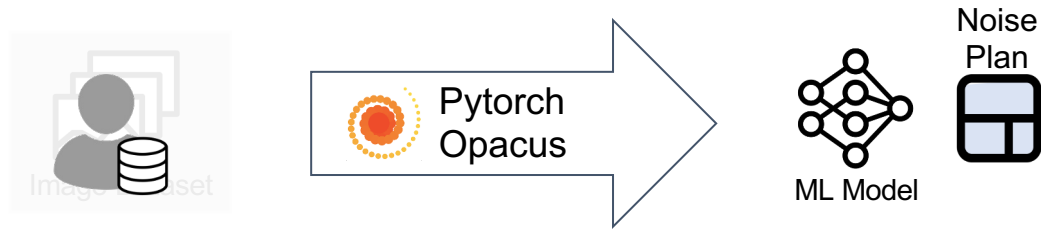
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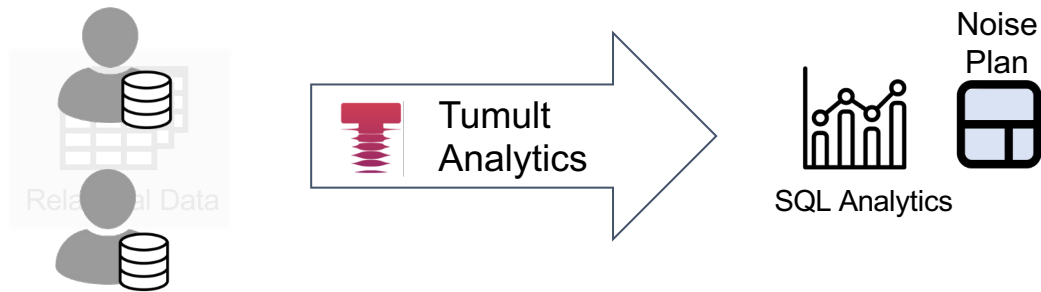


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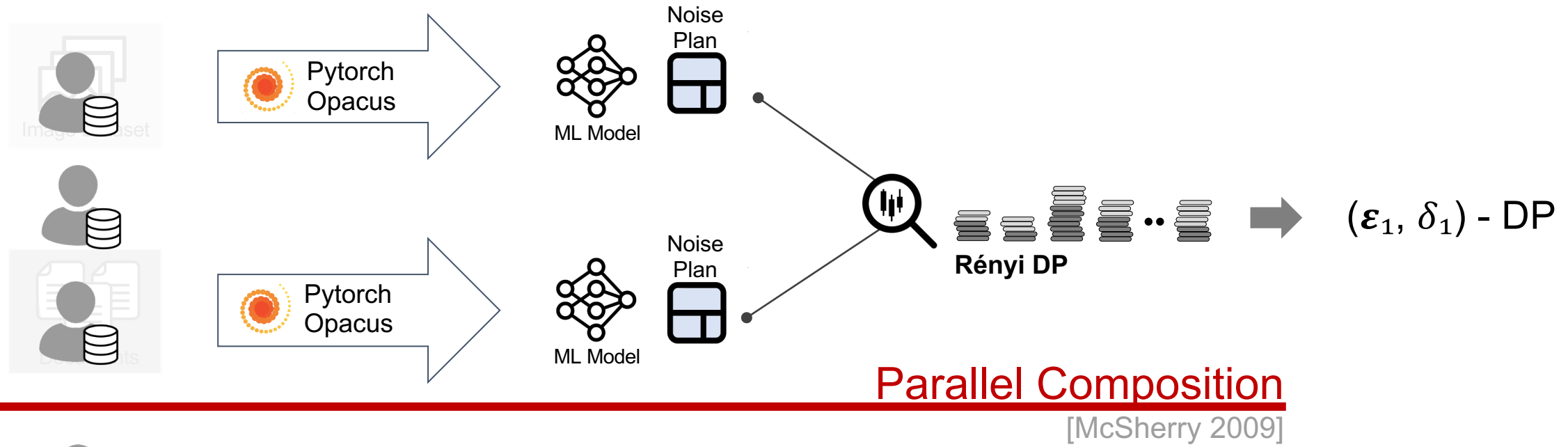
Parallel Composition

[McSherry 2009]



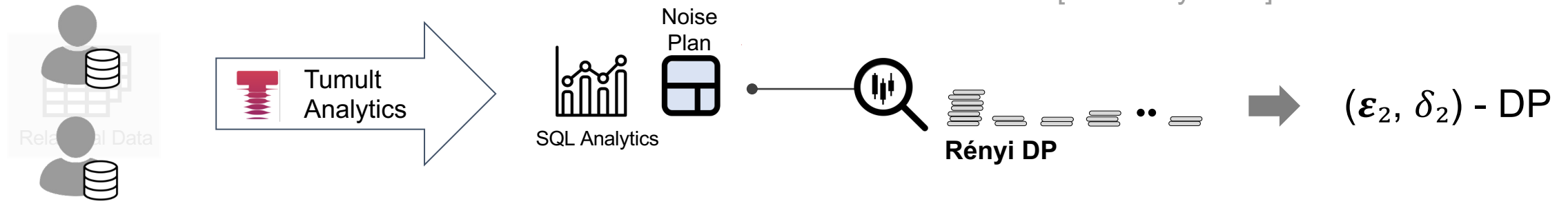
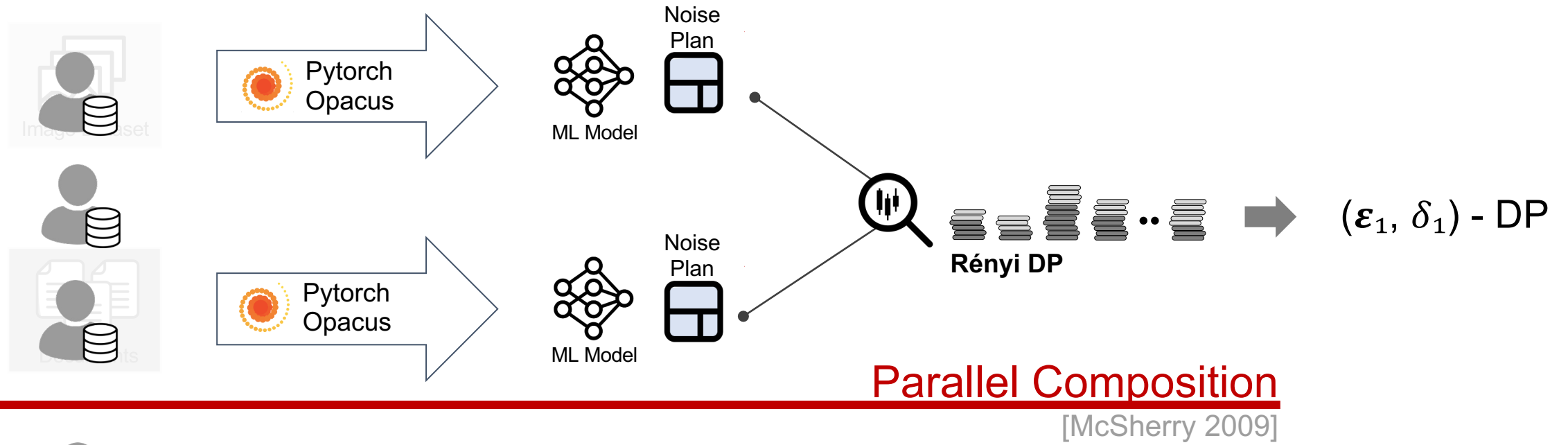
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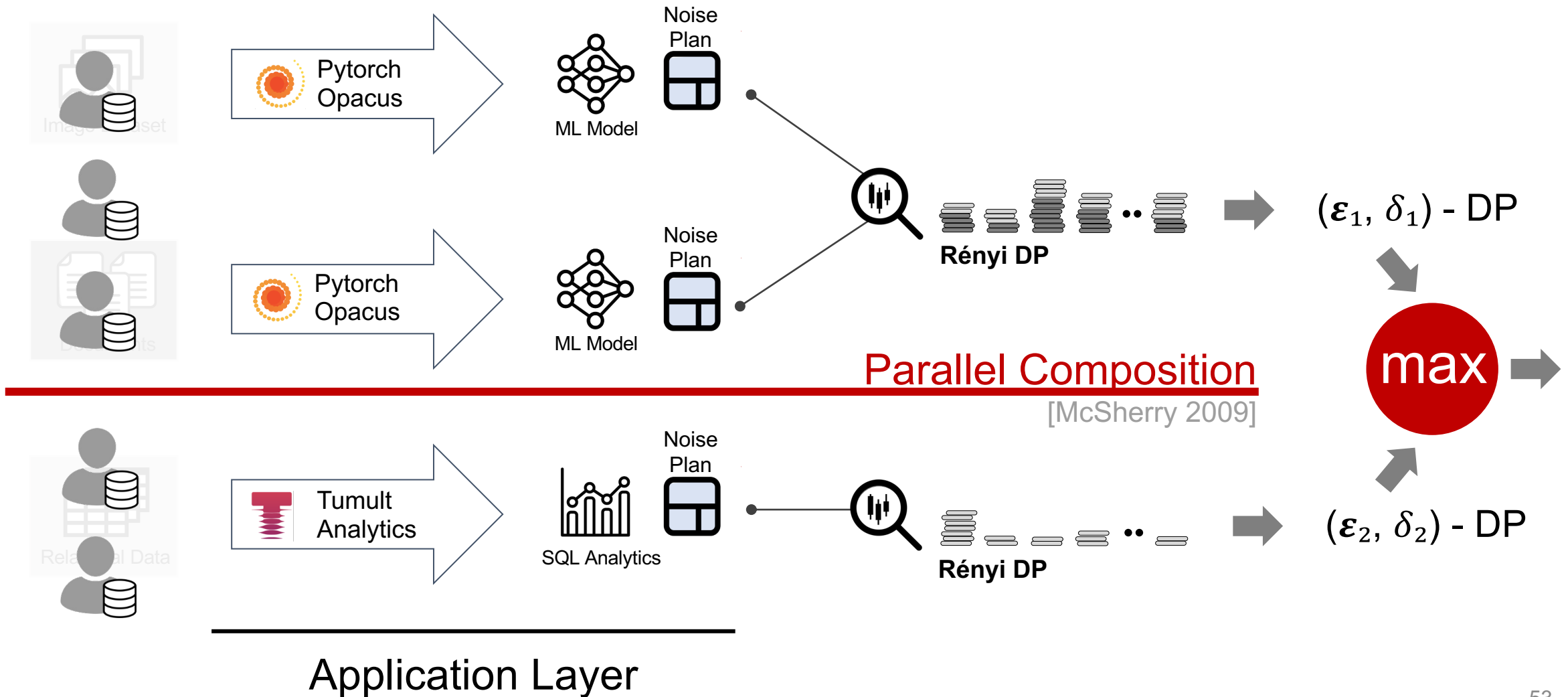
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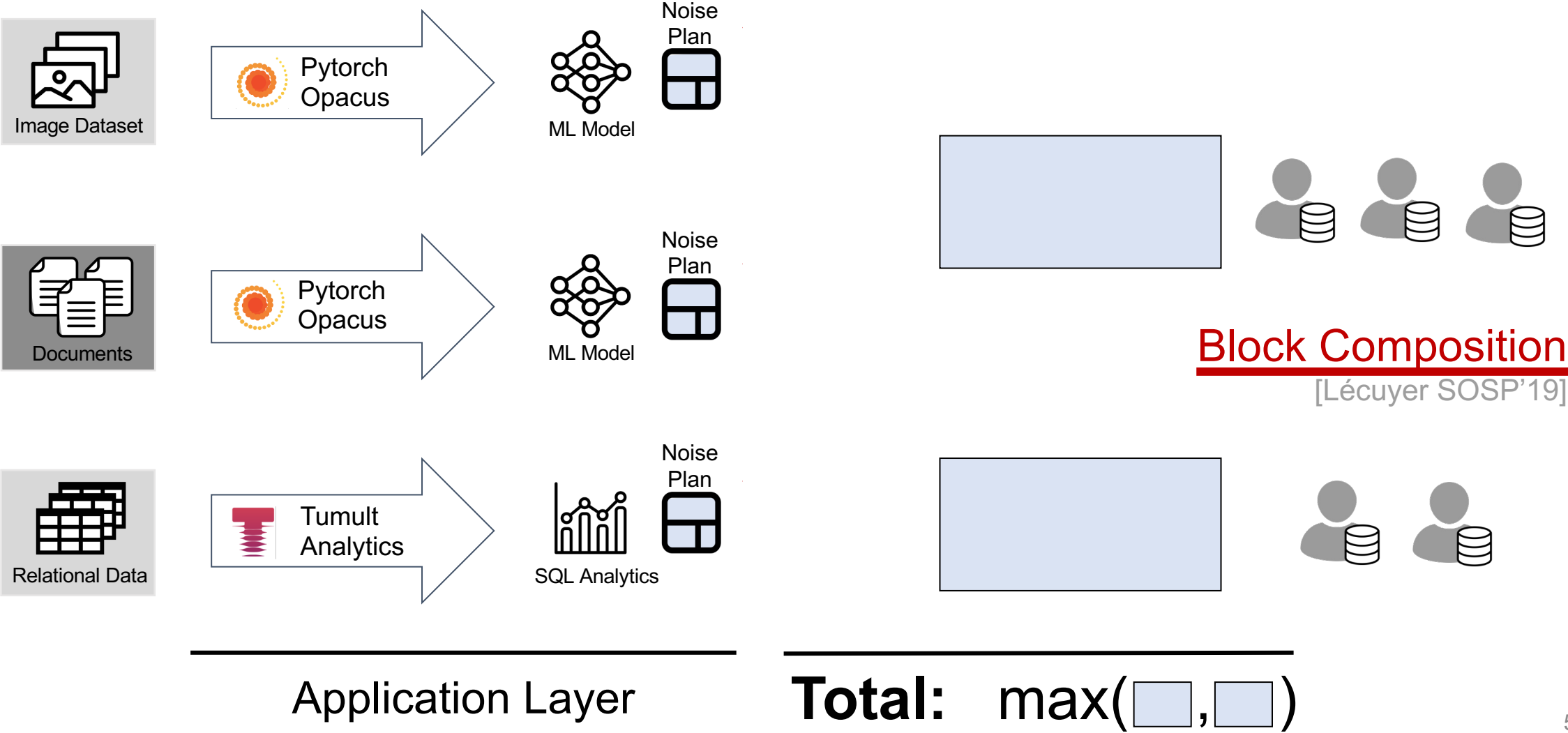


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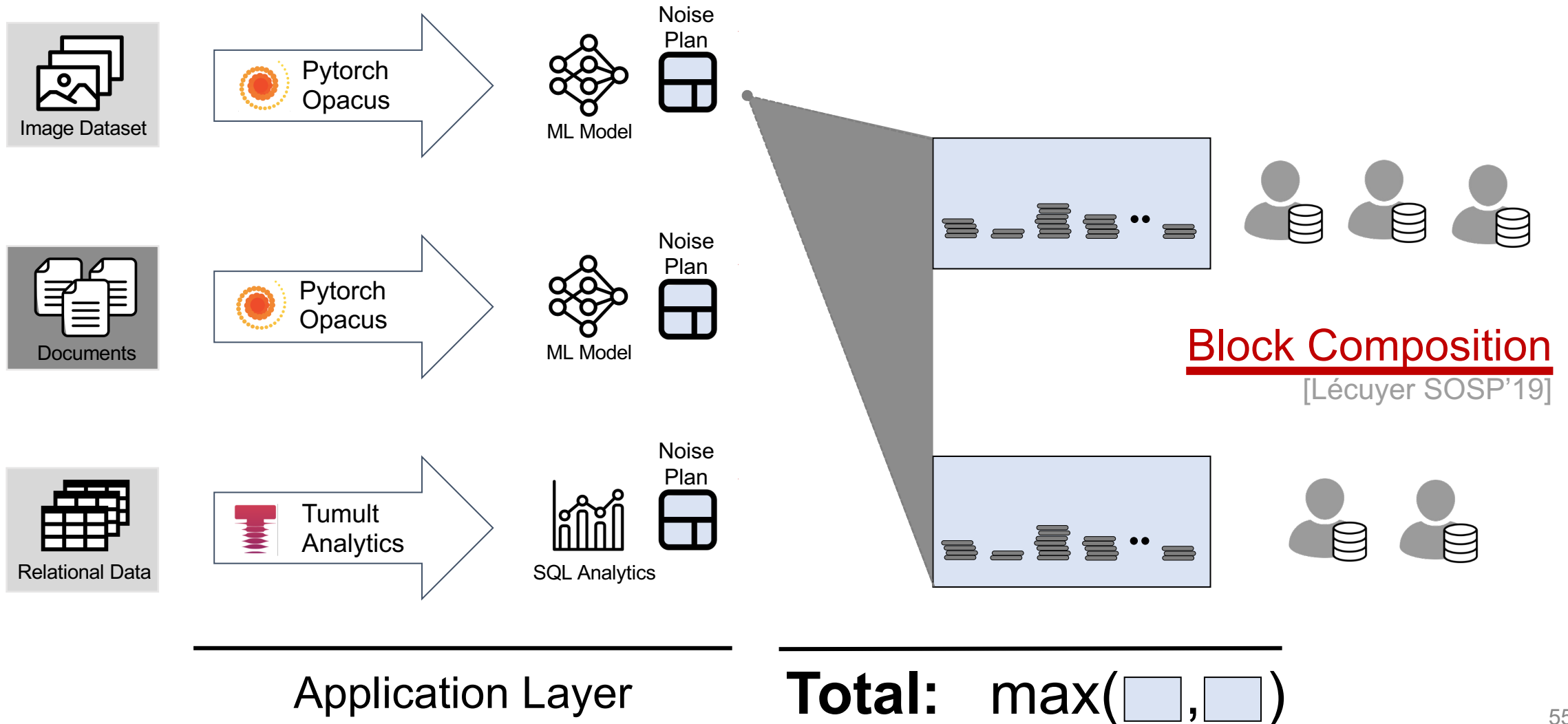
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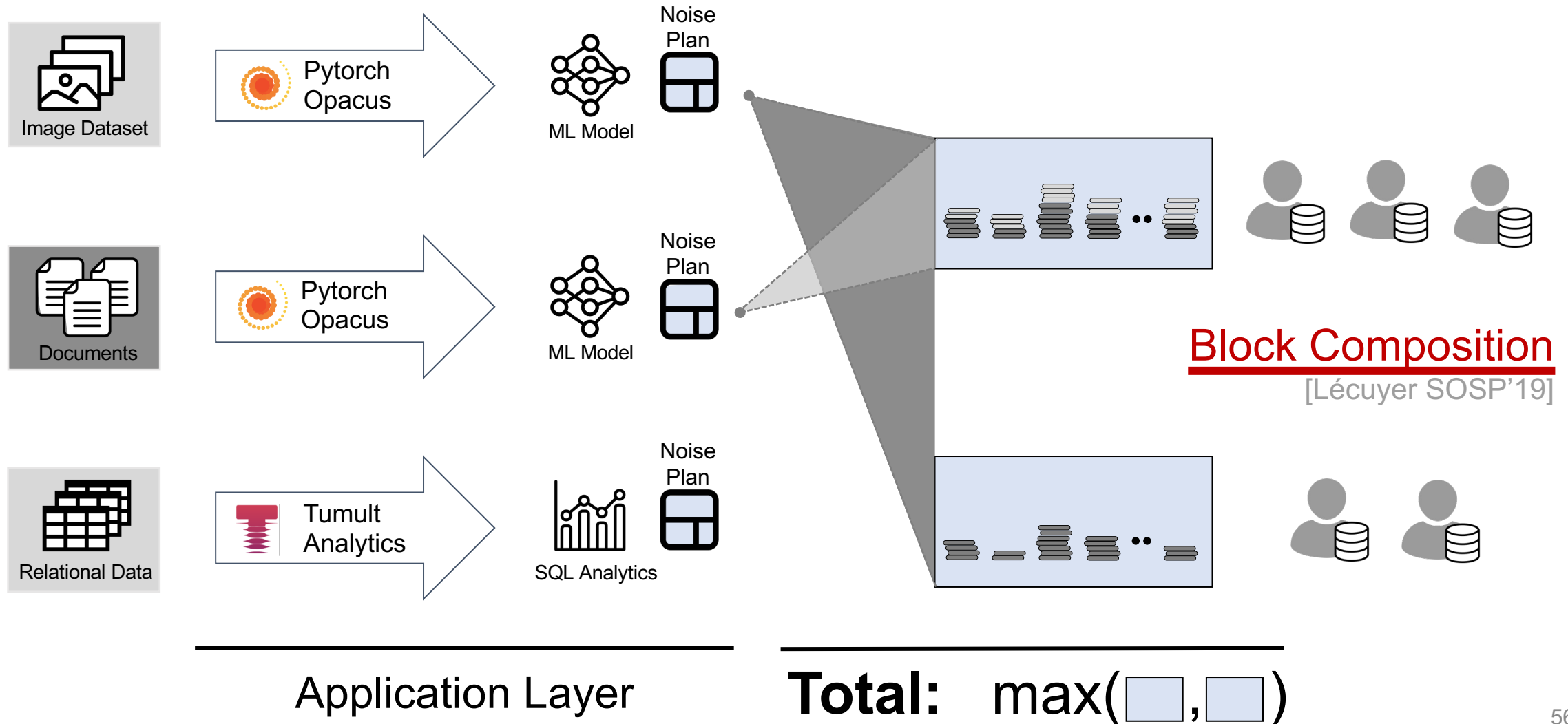
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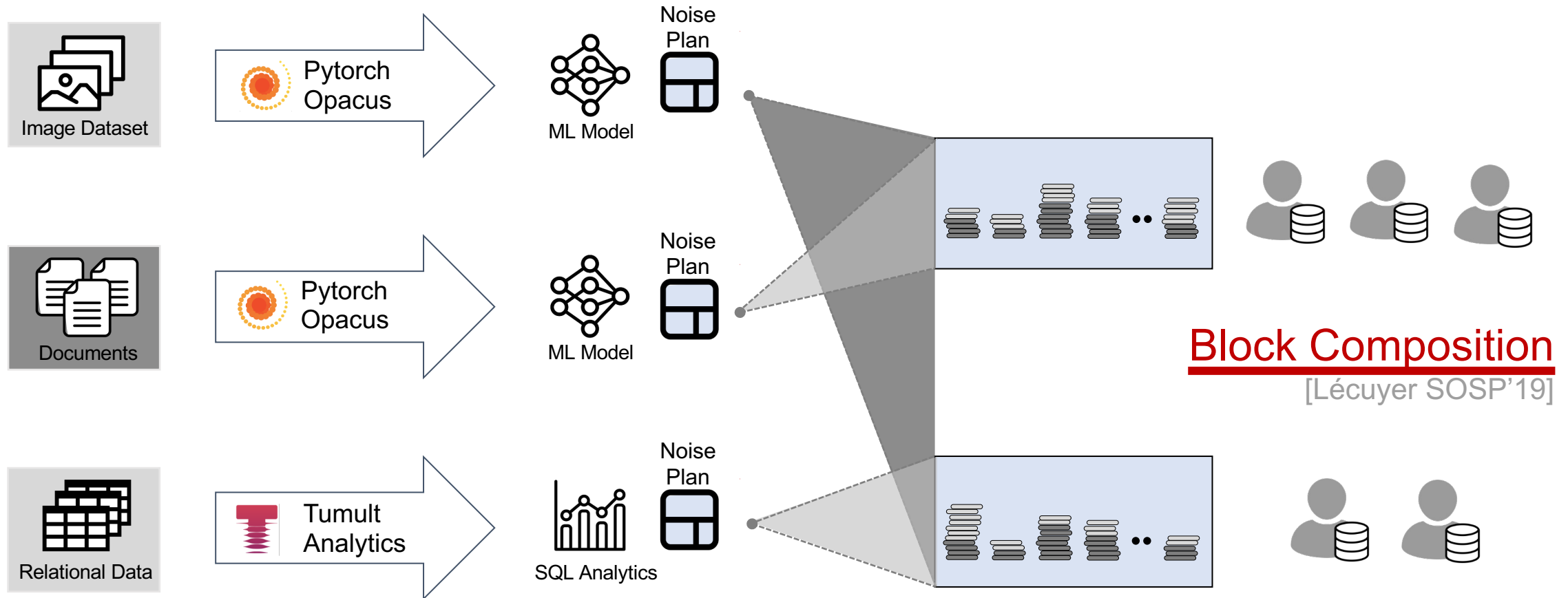
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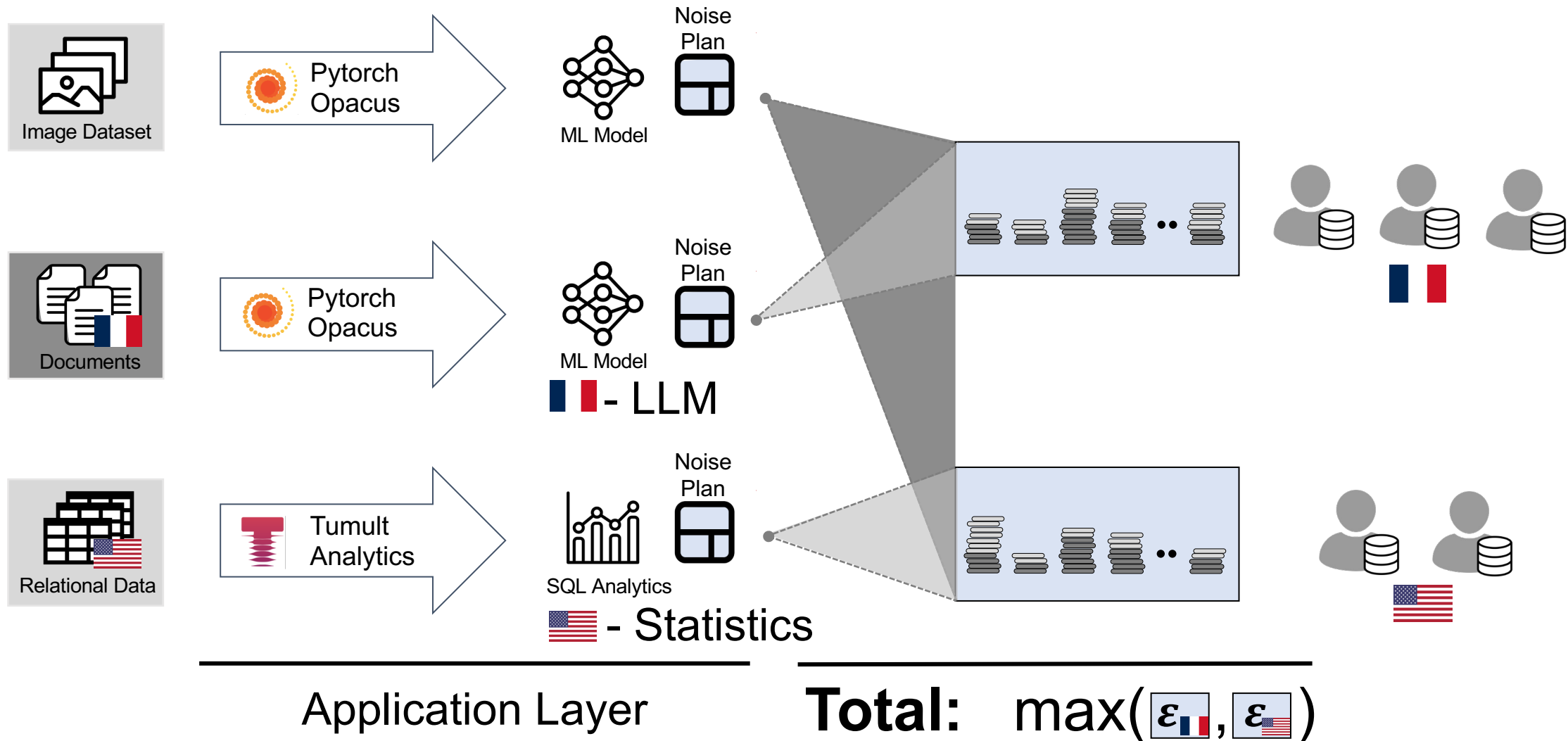
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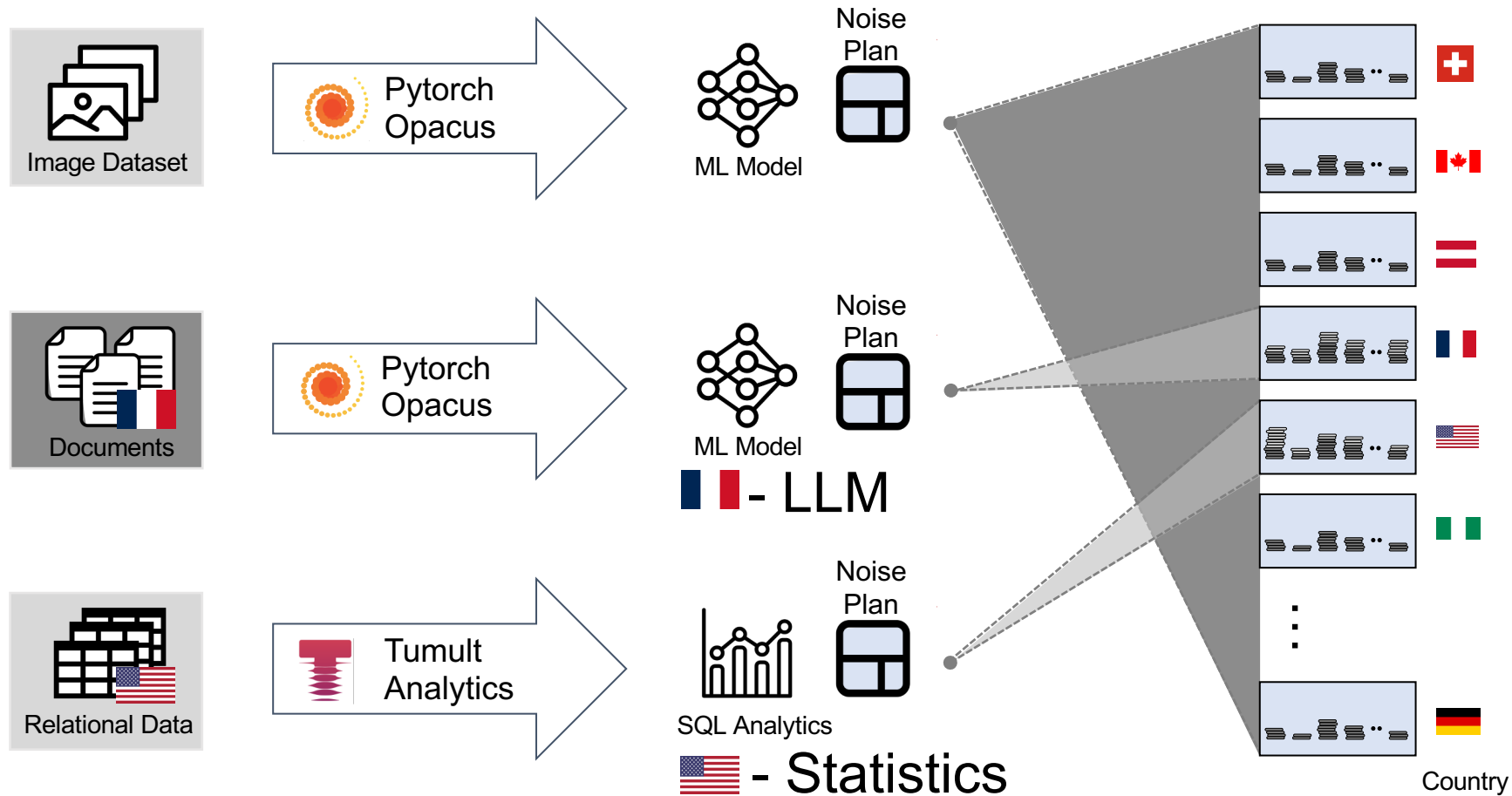
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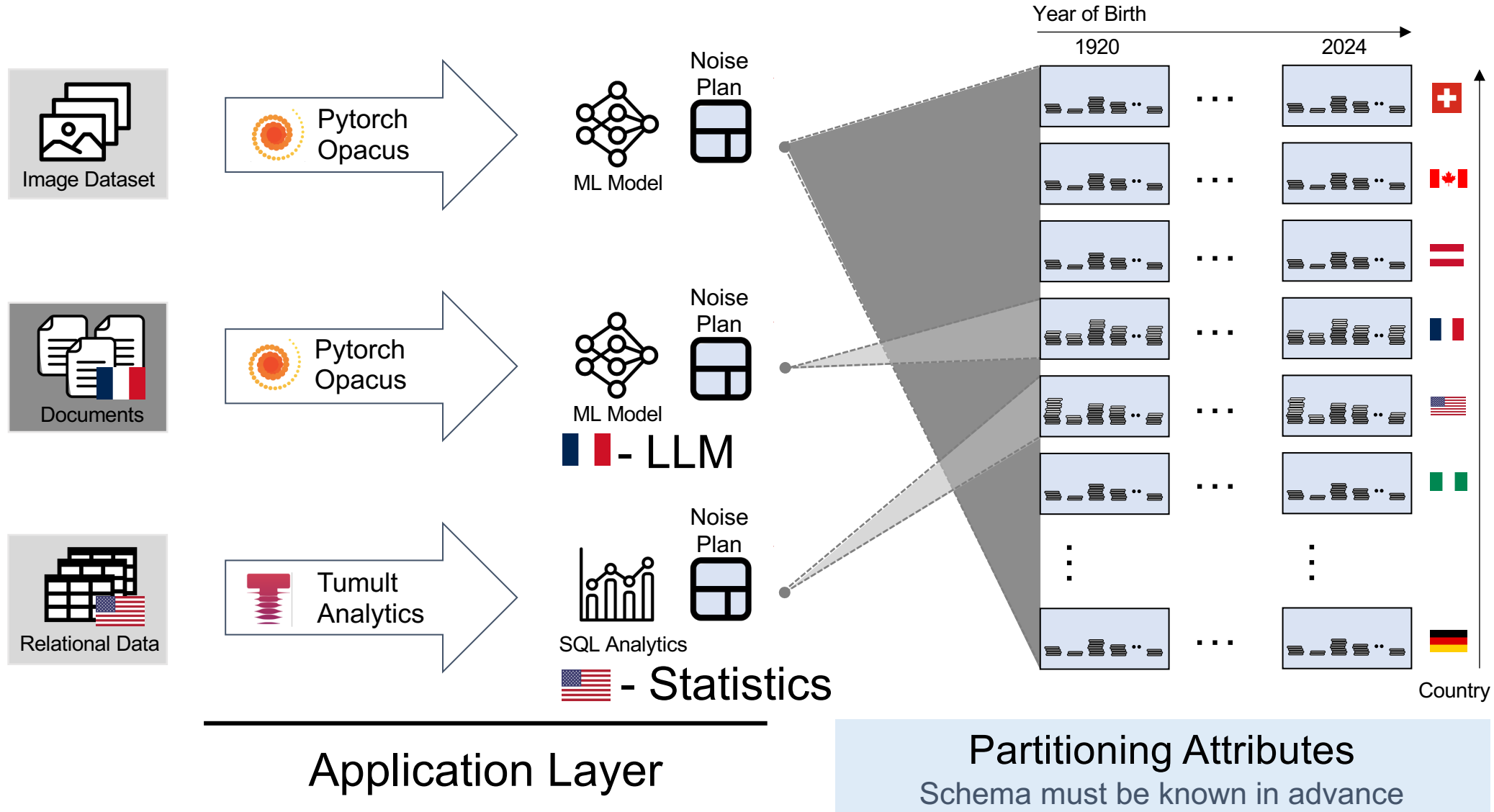
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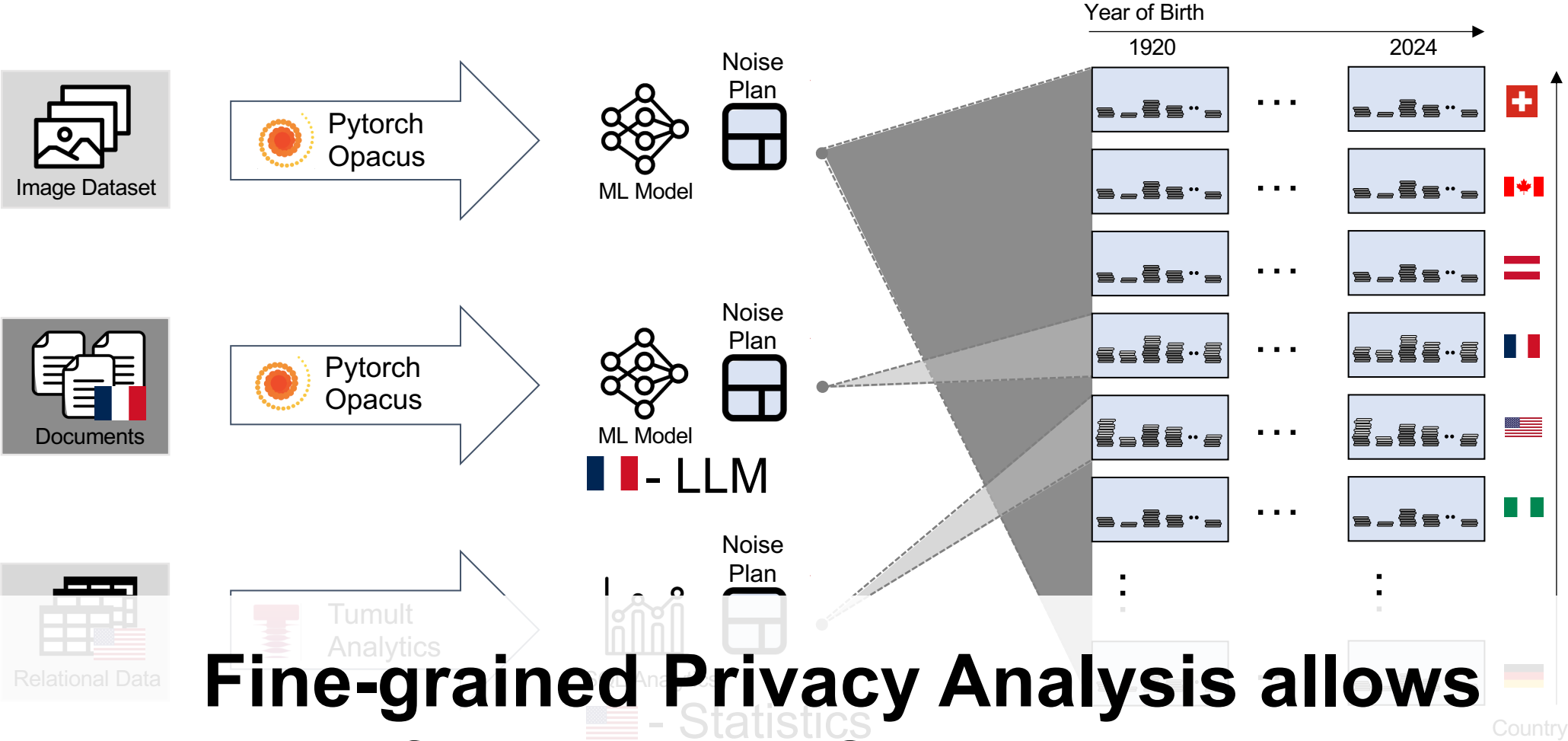
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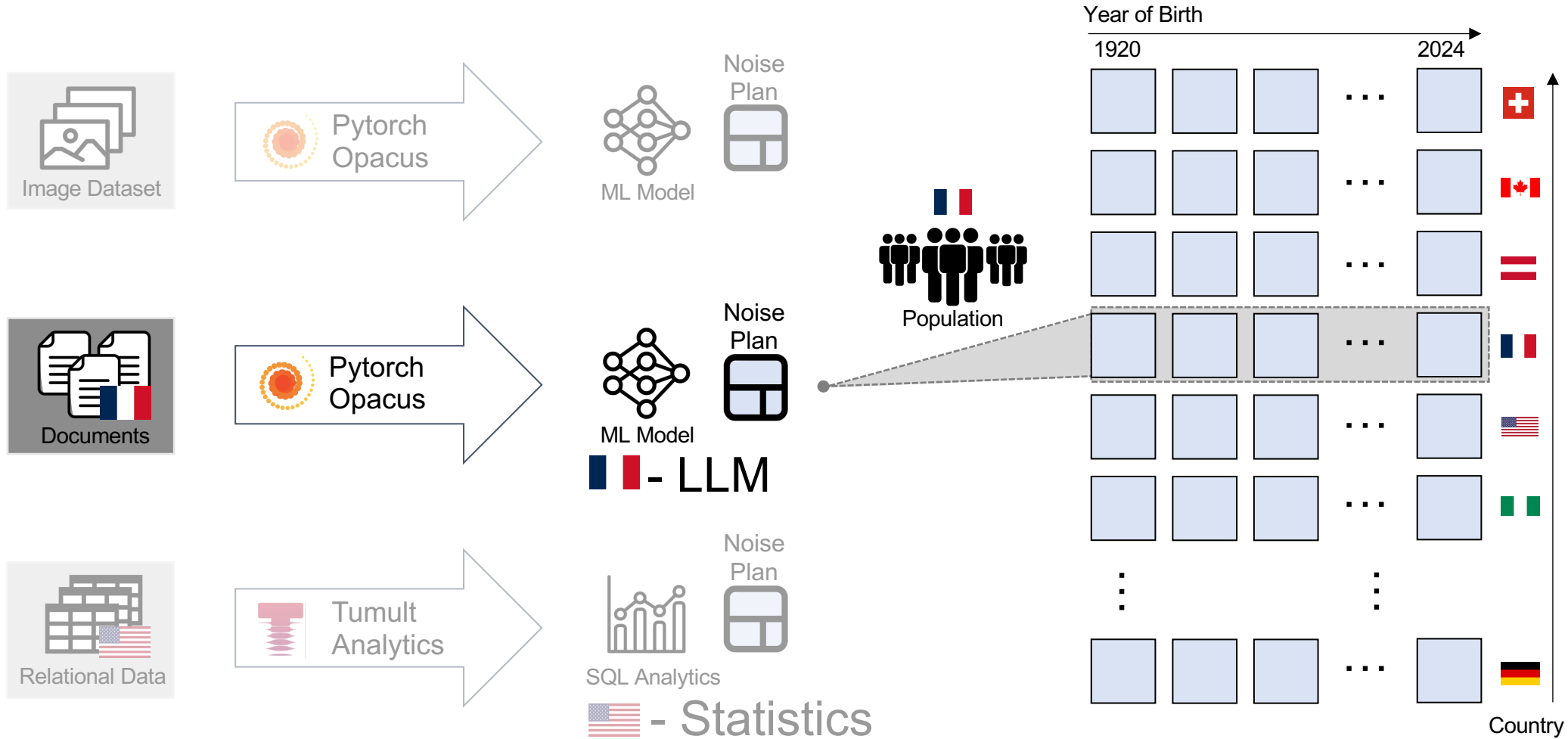


Fine-grained Privacy Analysis allows for a tighter Composition.

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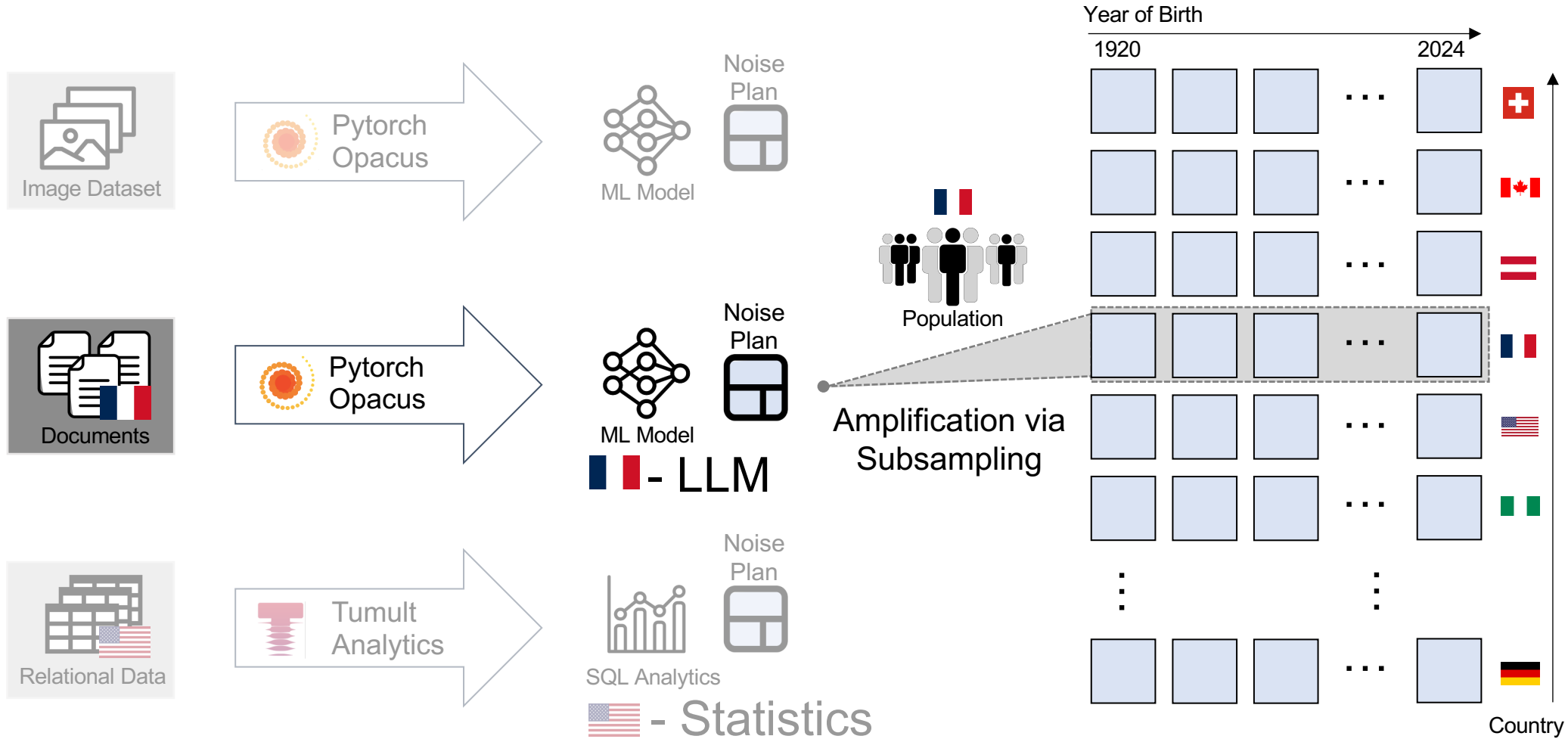
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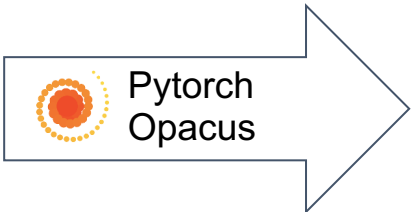
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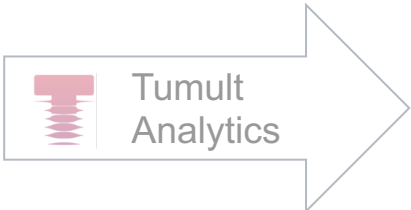


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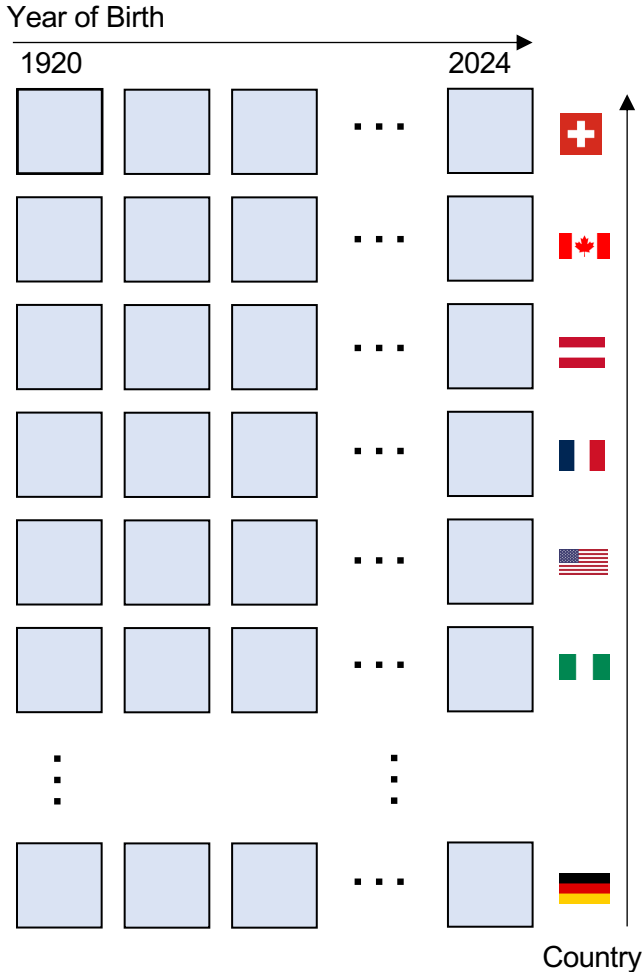
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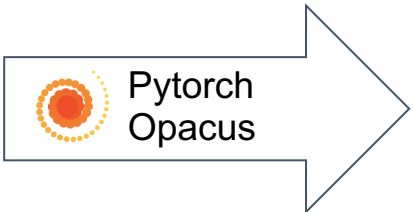
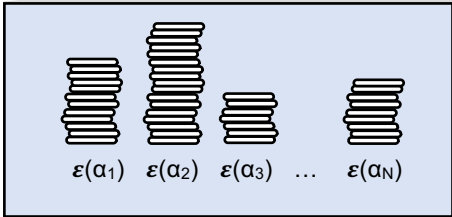
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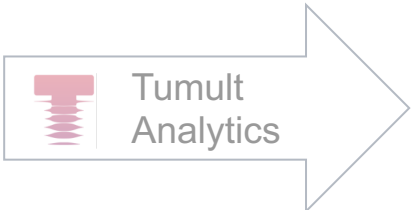
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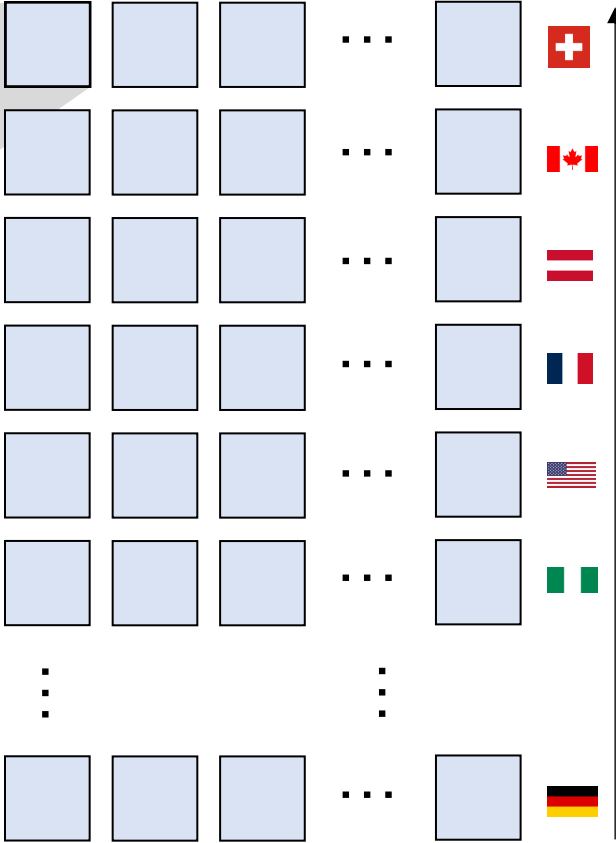
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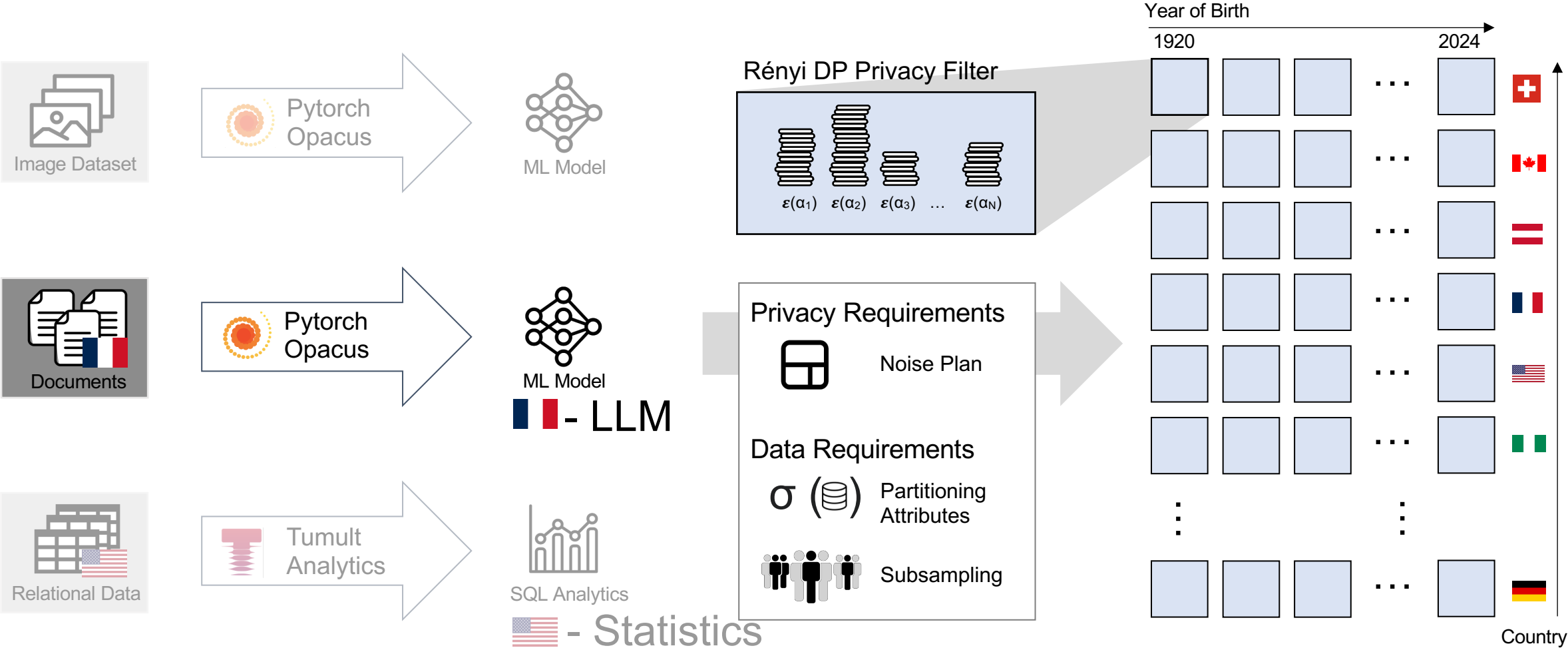
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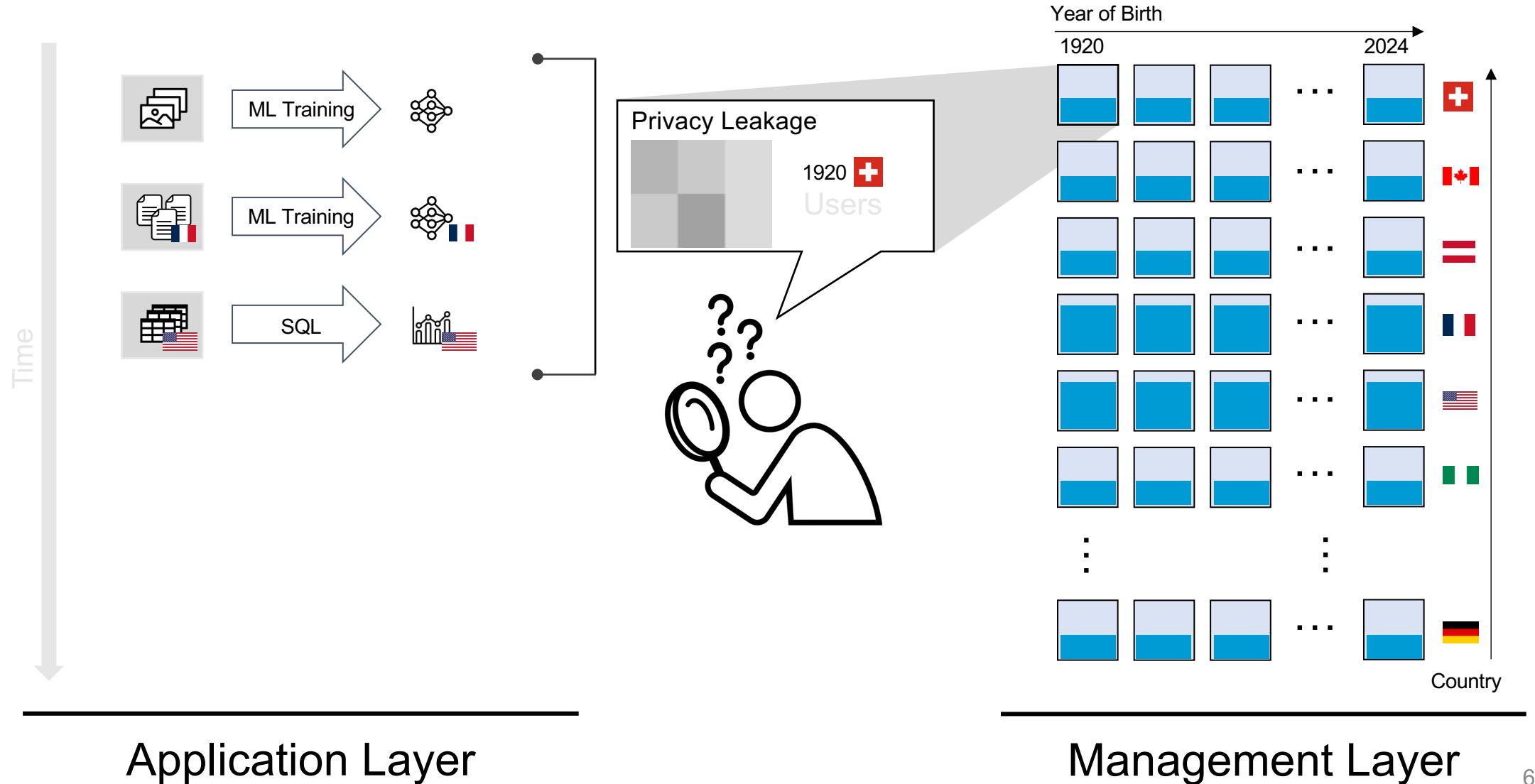
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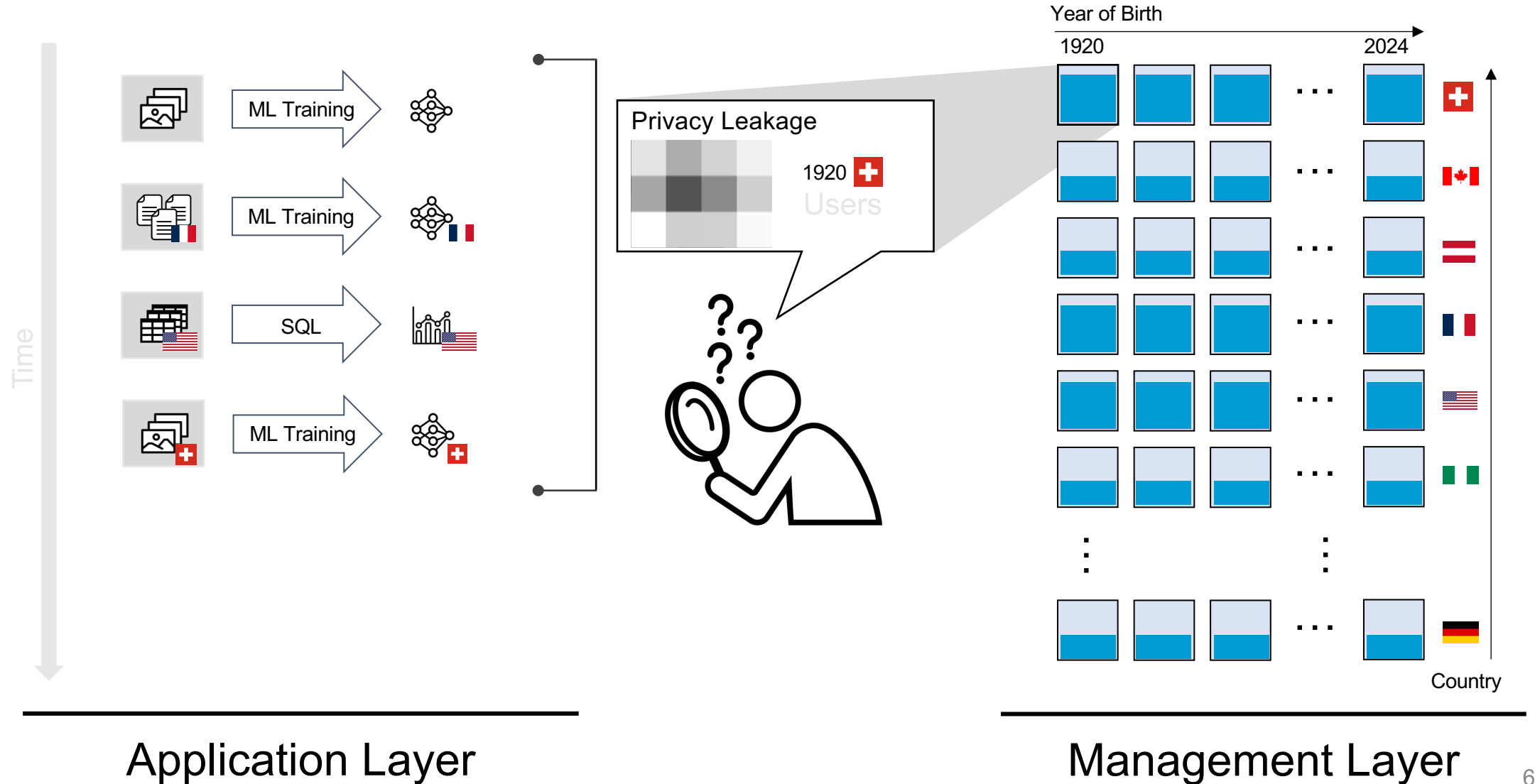
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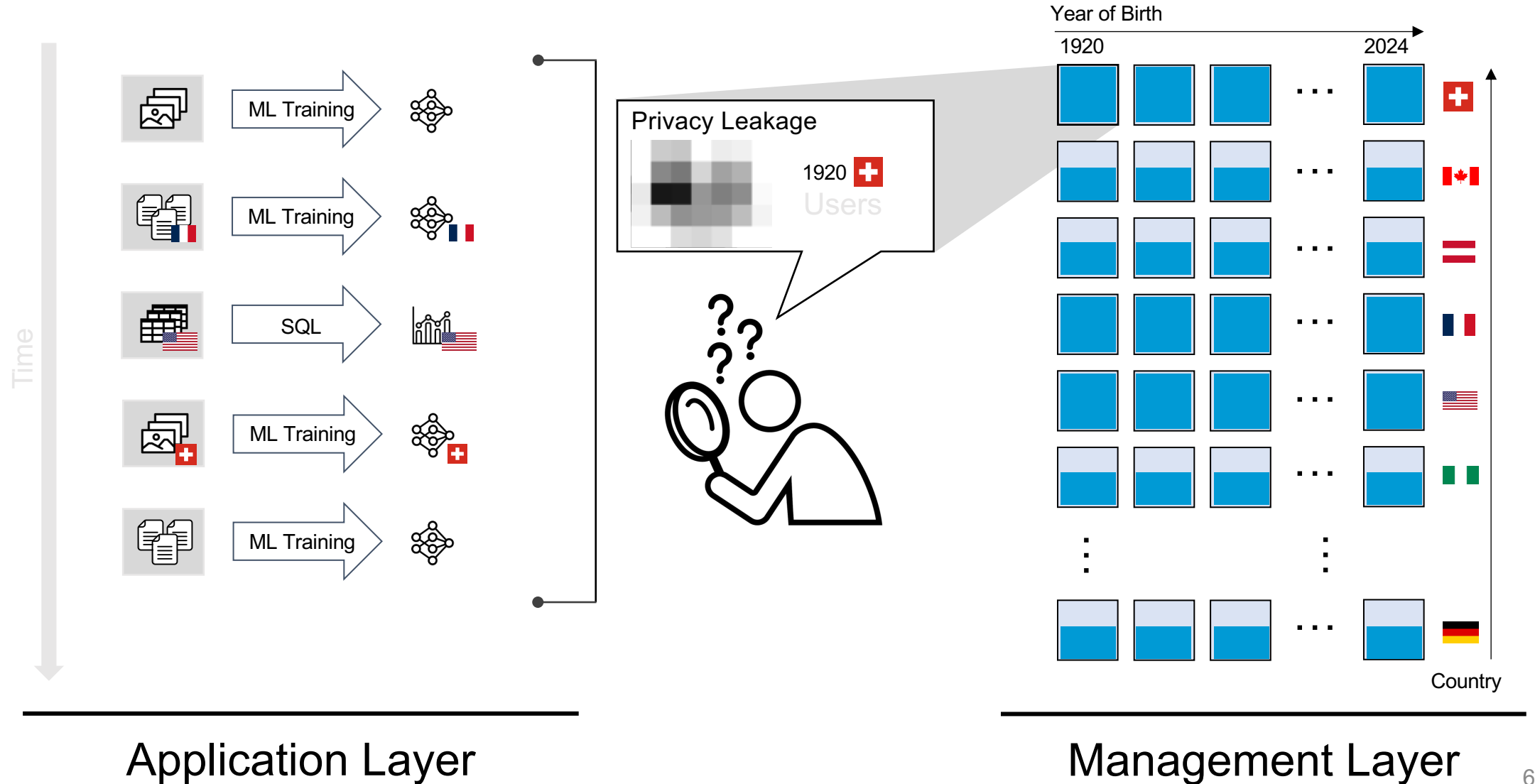
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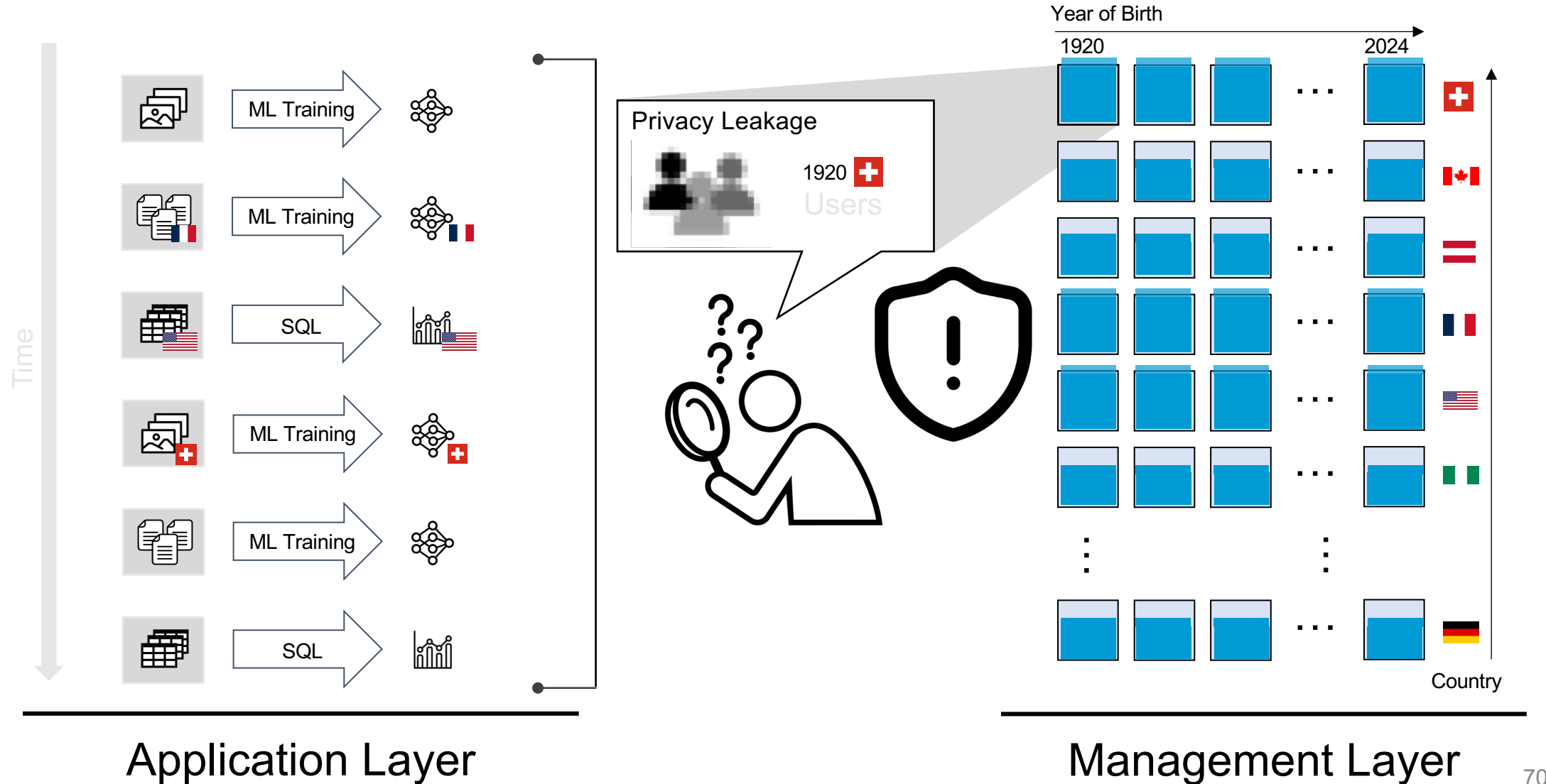
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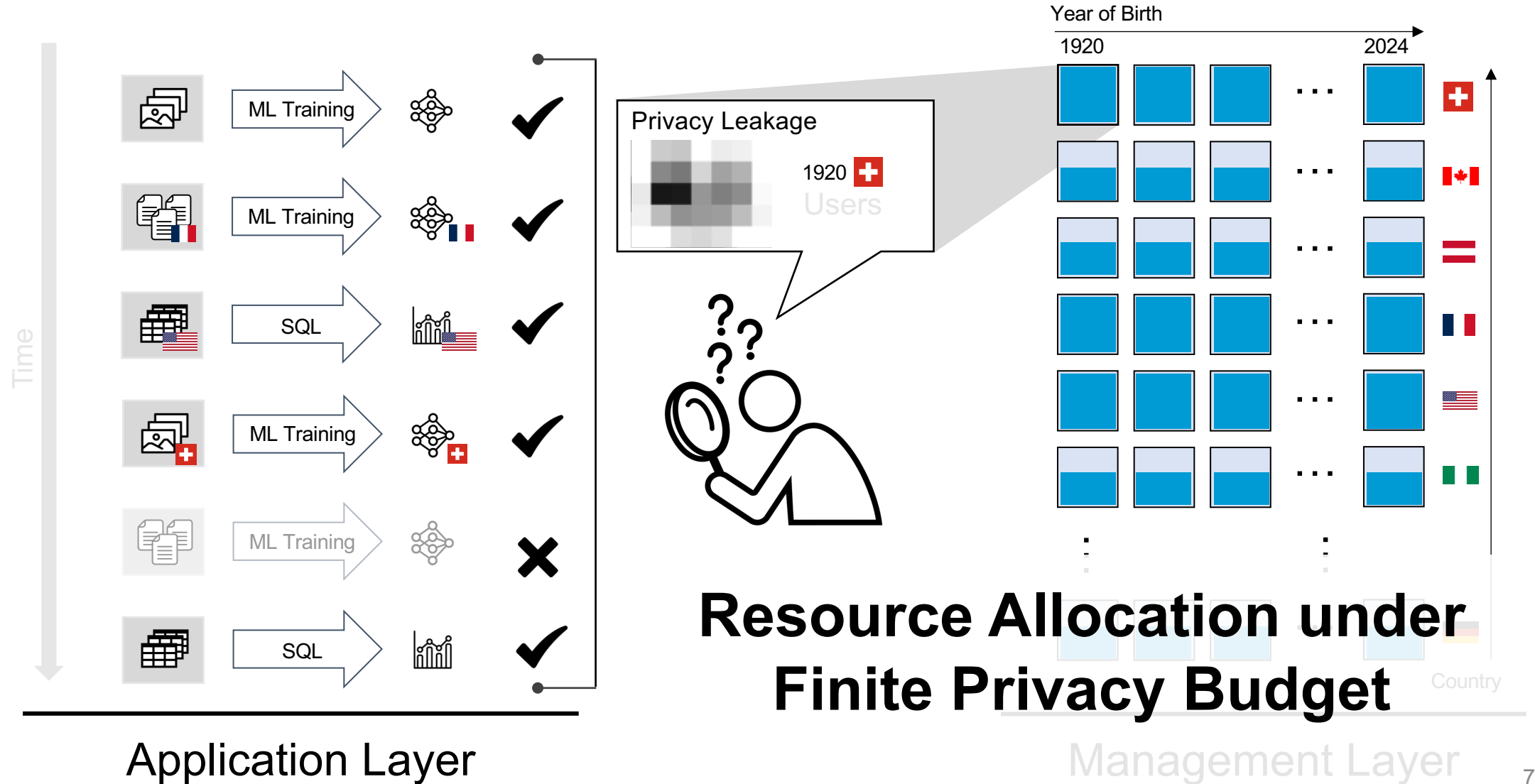
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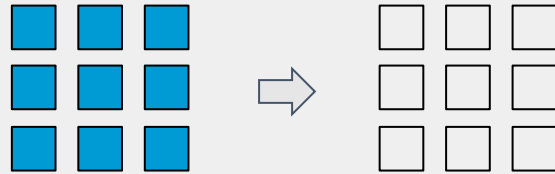
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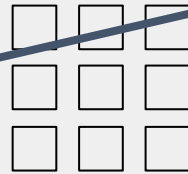
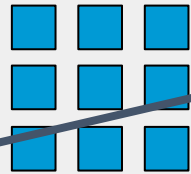
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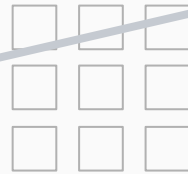
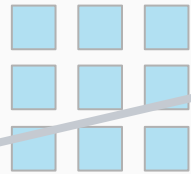


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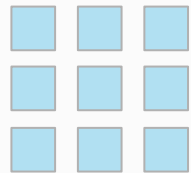
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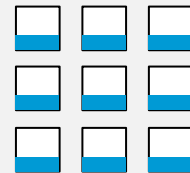
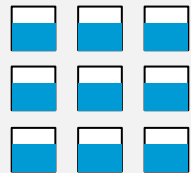


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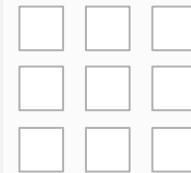
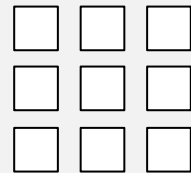
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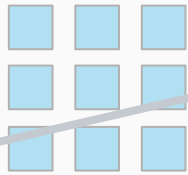


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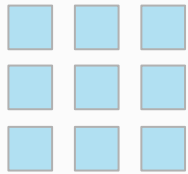
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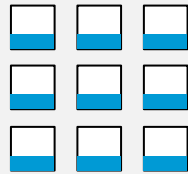
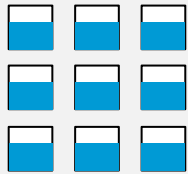


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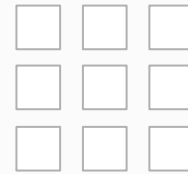
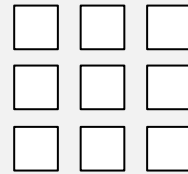
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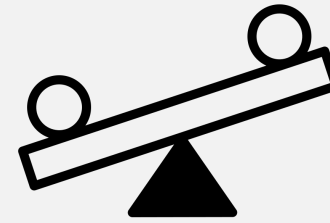
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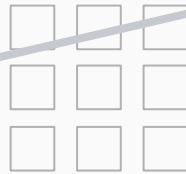
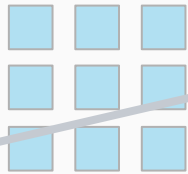


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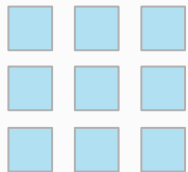
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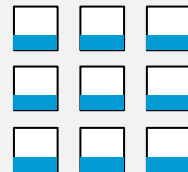
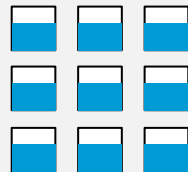


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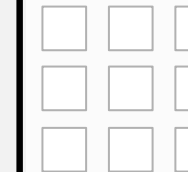
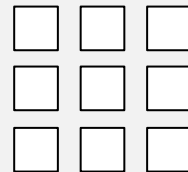
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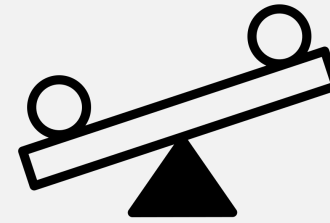
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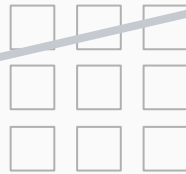
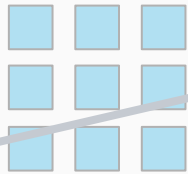


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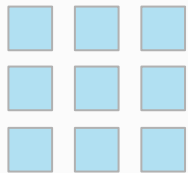
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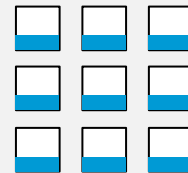
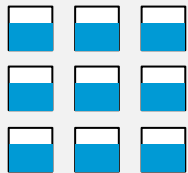


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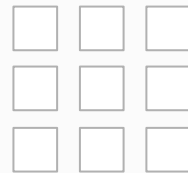
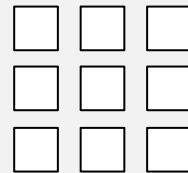
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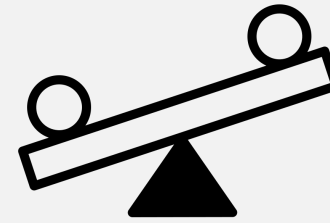
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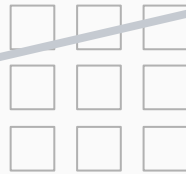
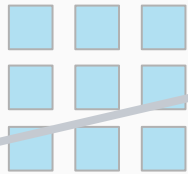


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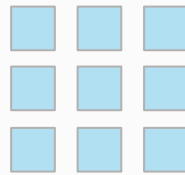
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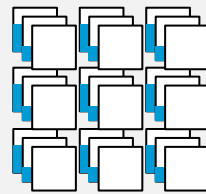


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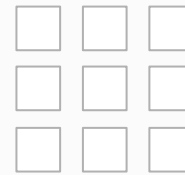
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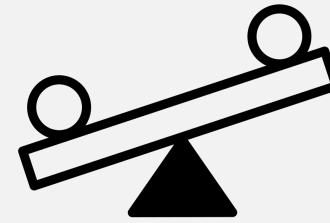
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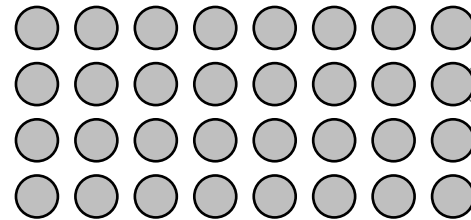
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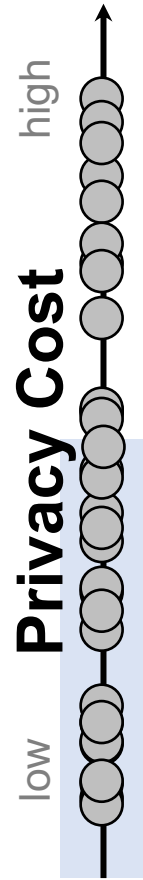


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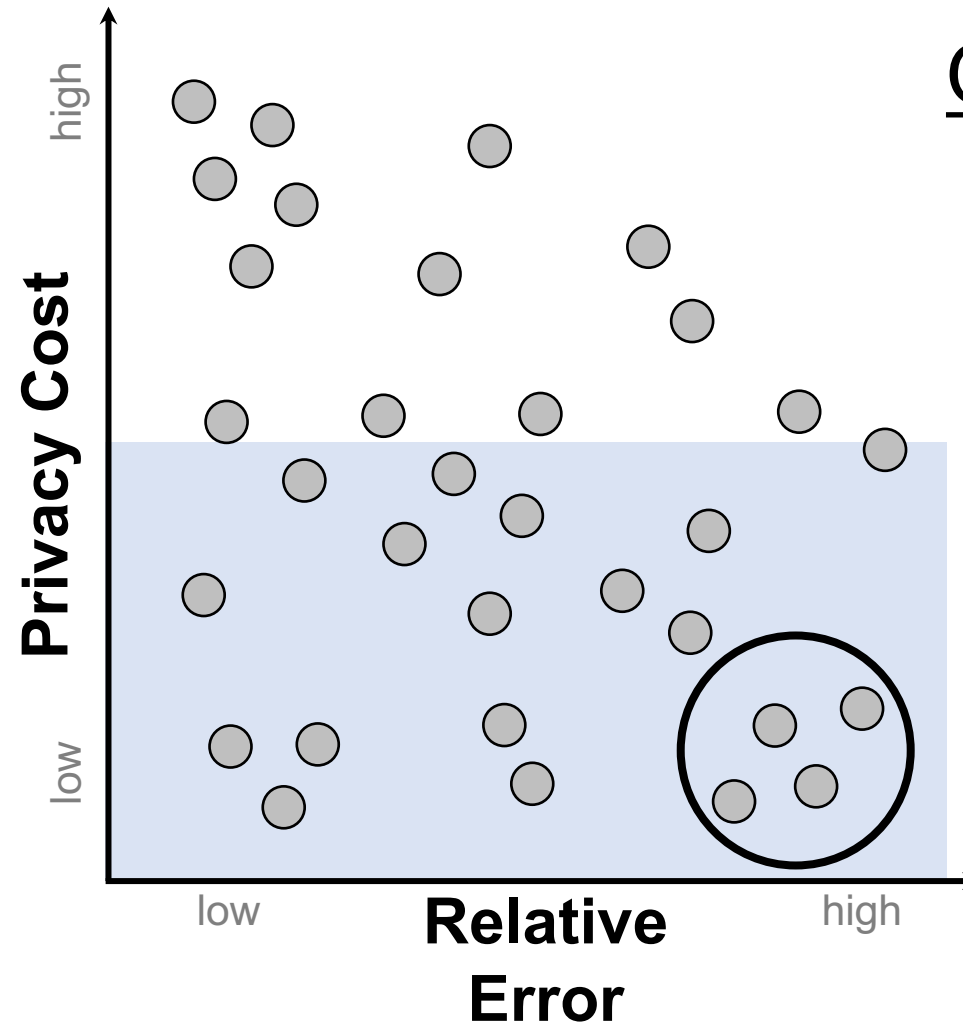


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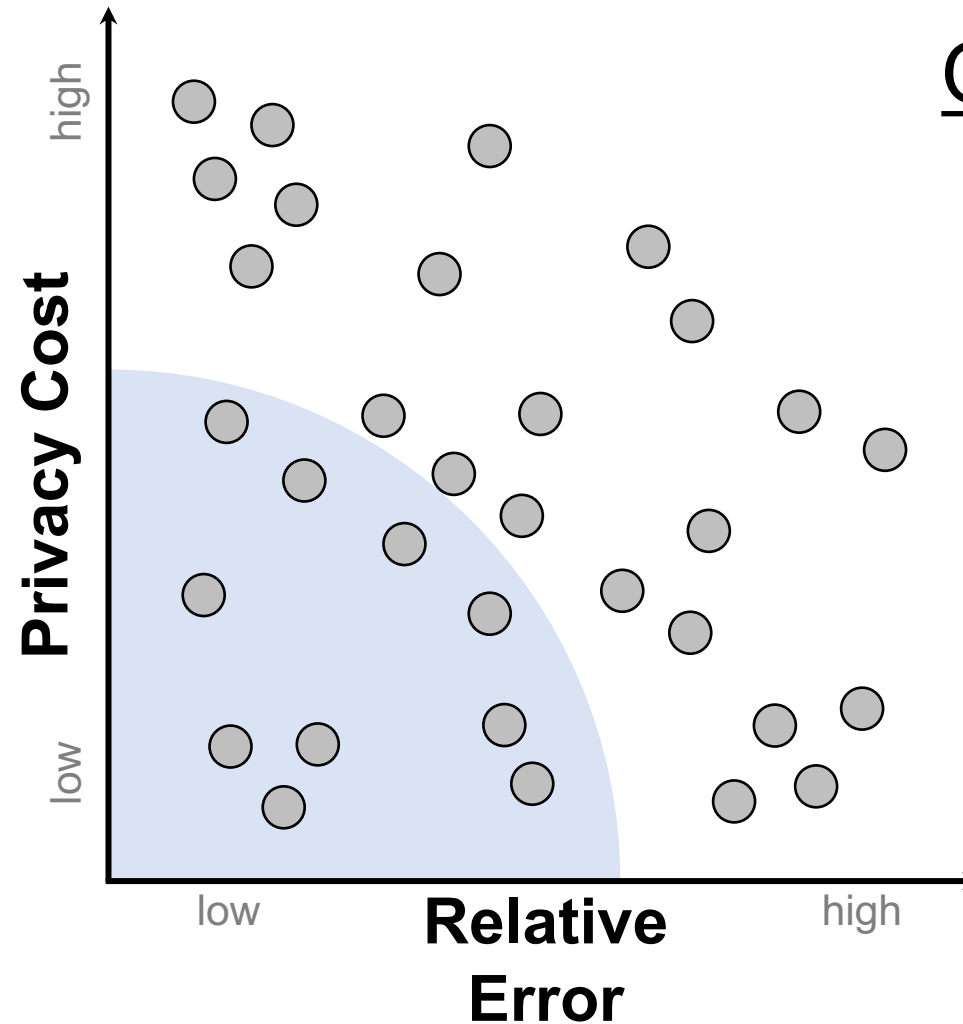
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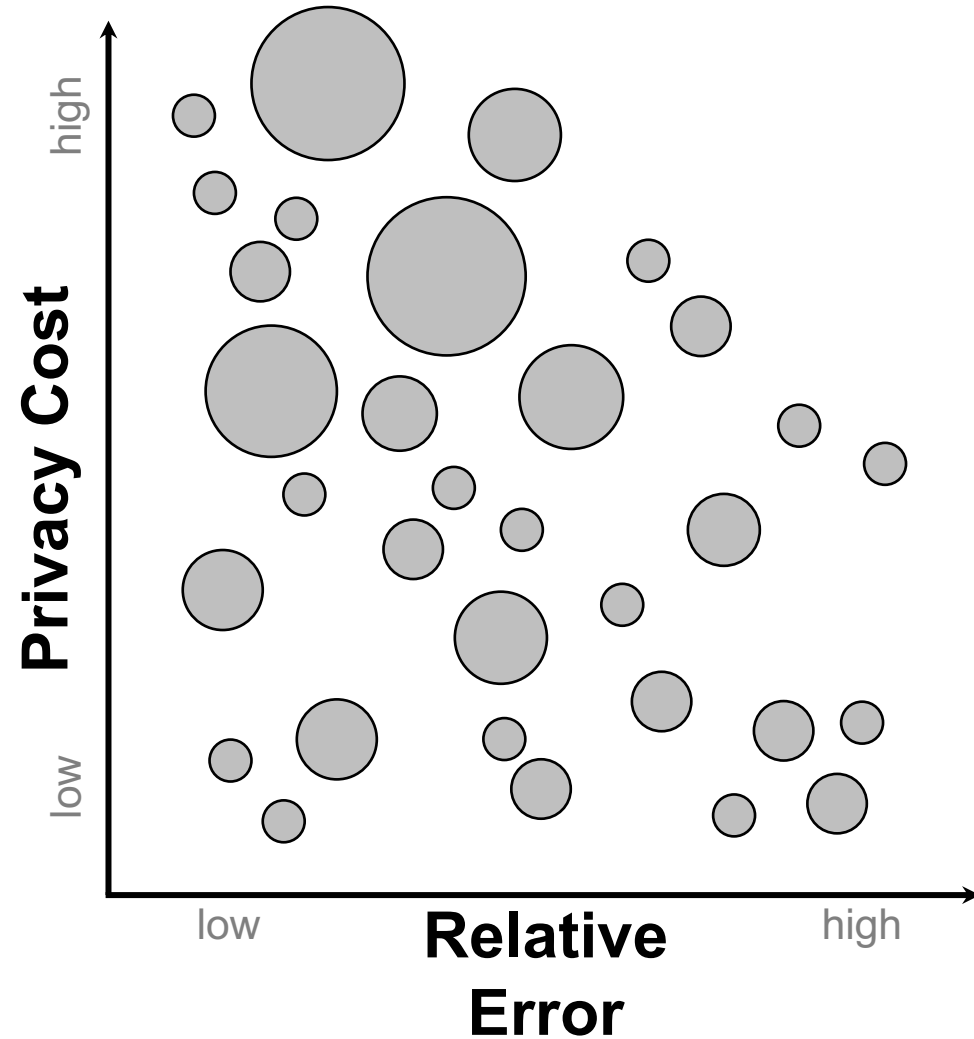
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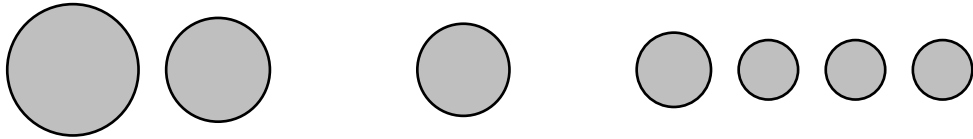
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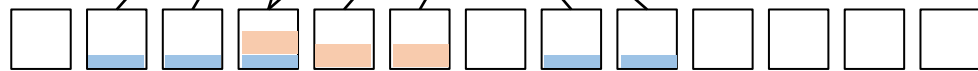
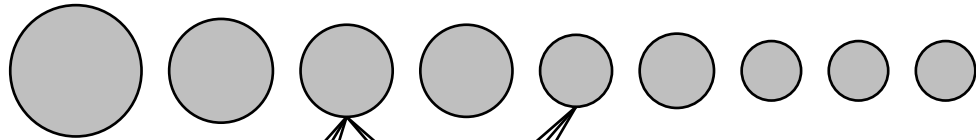
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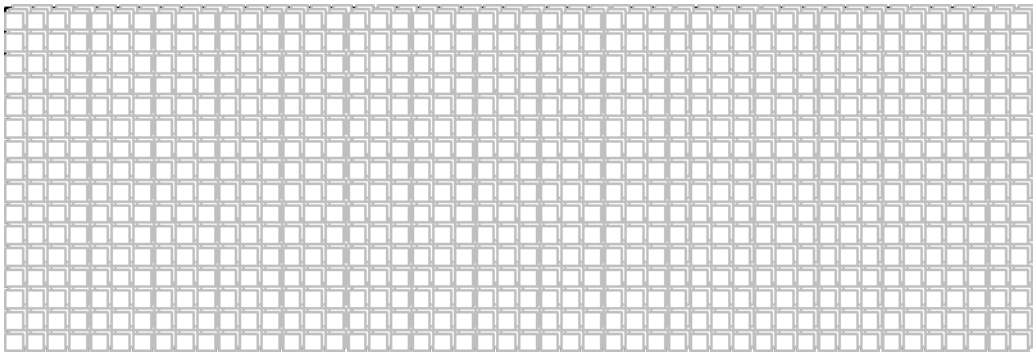
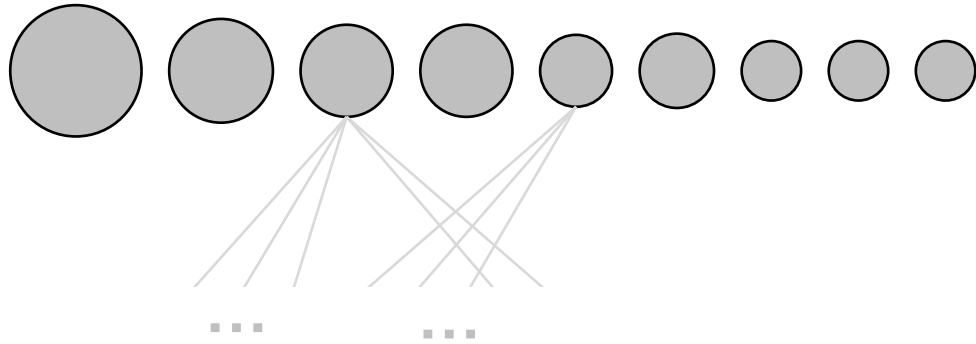
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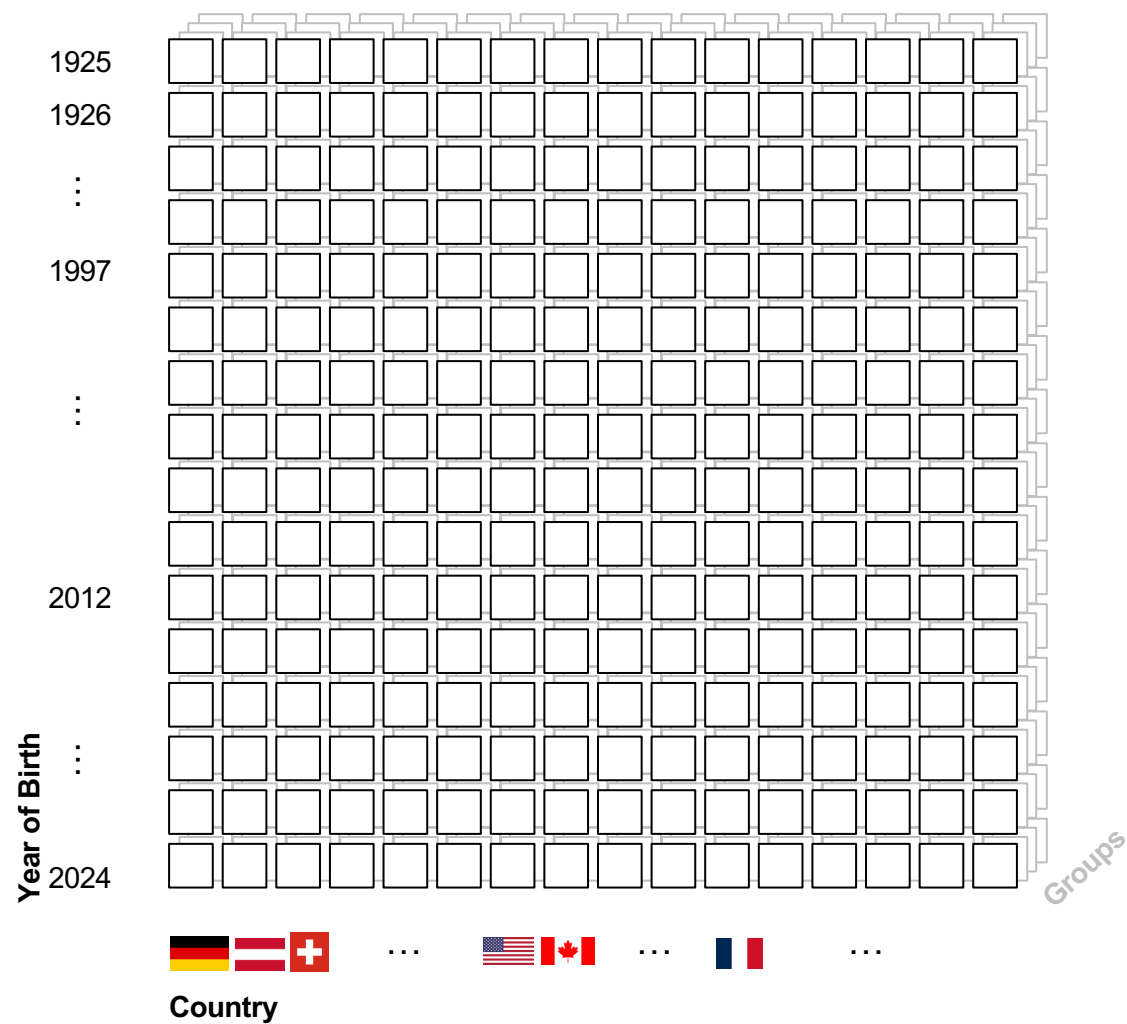
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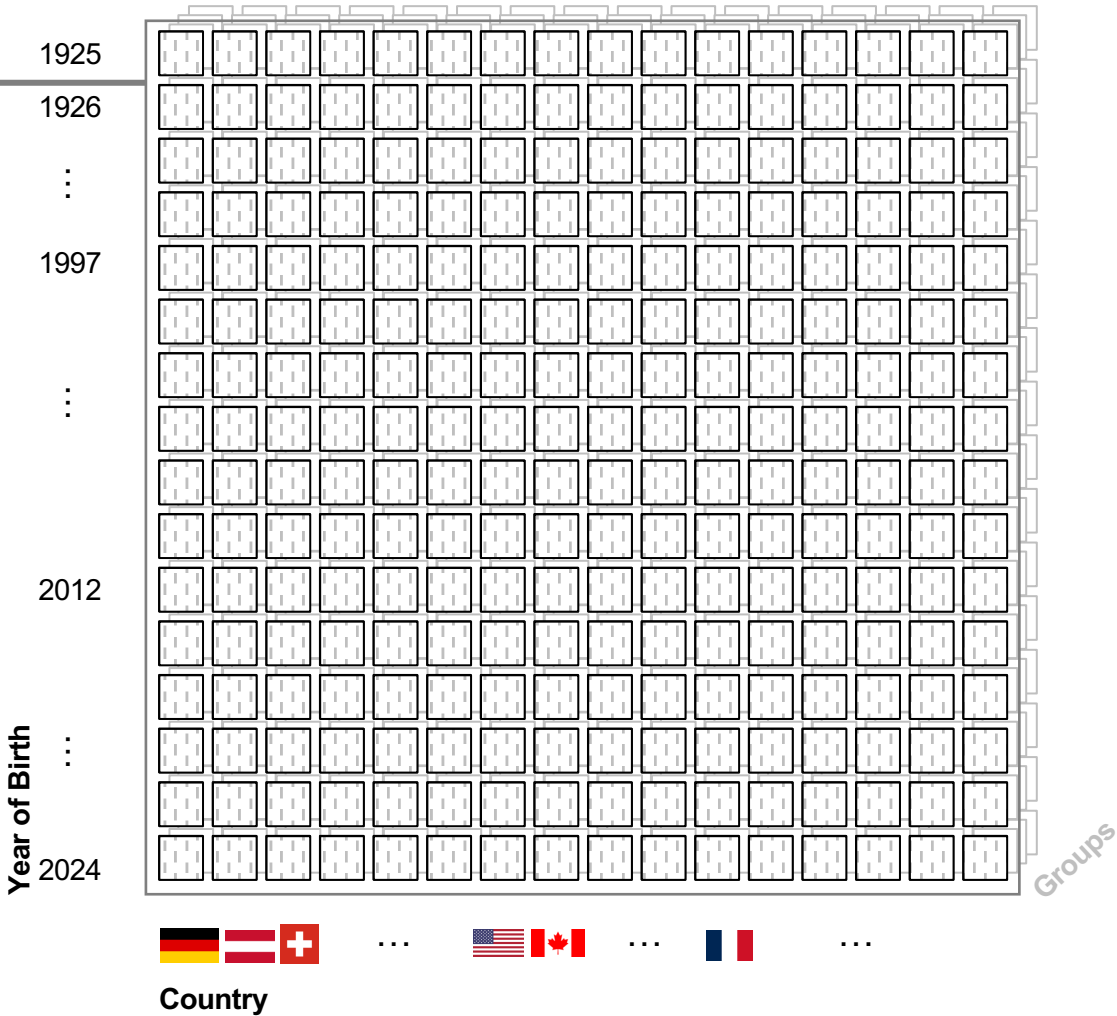
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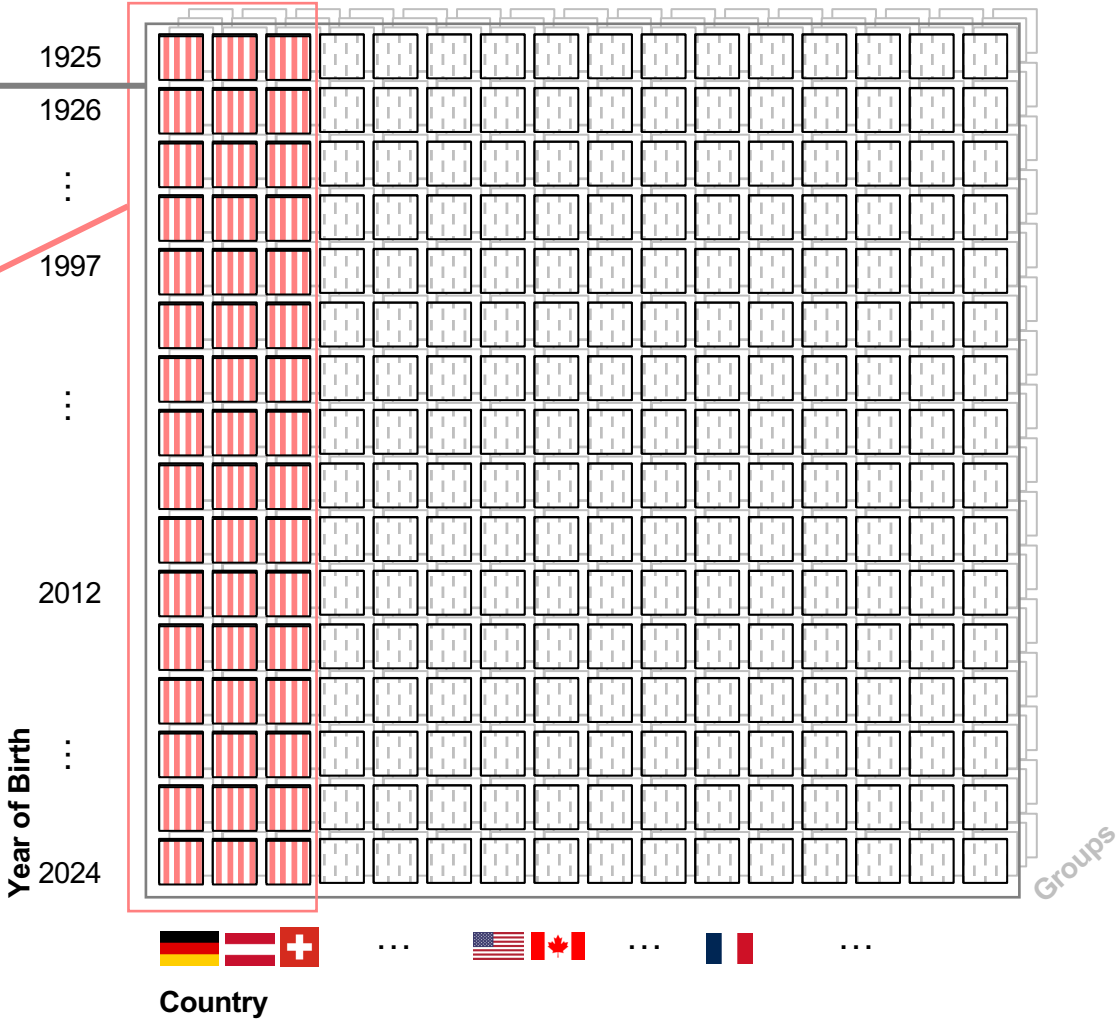
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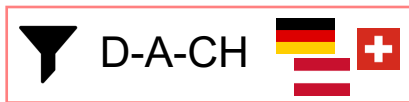


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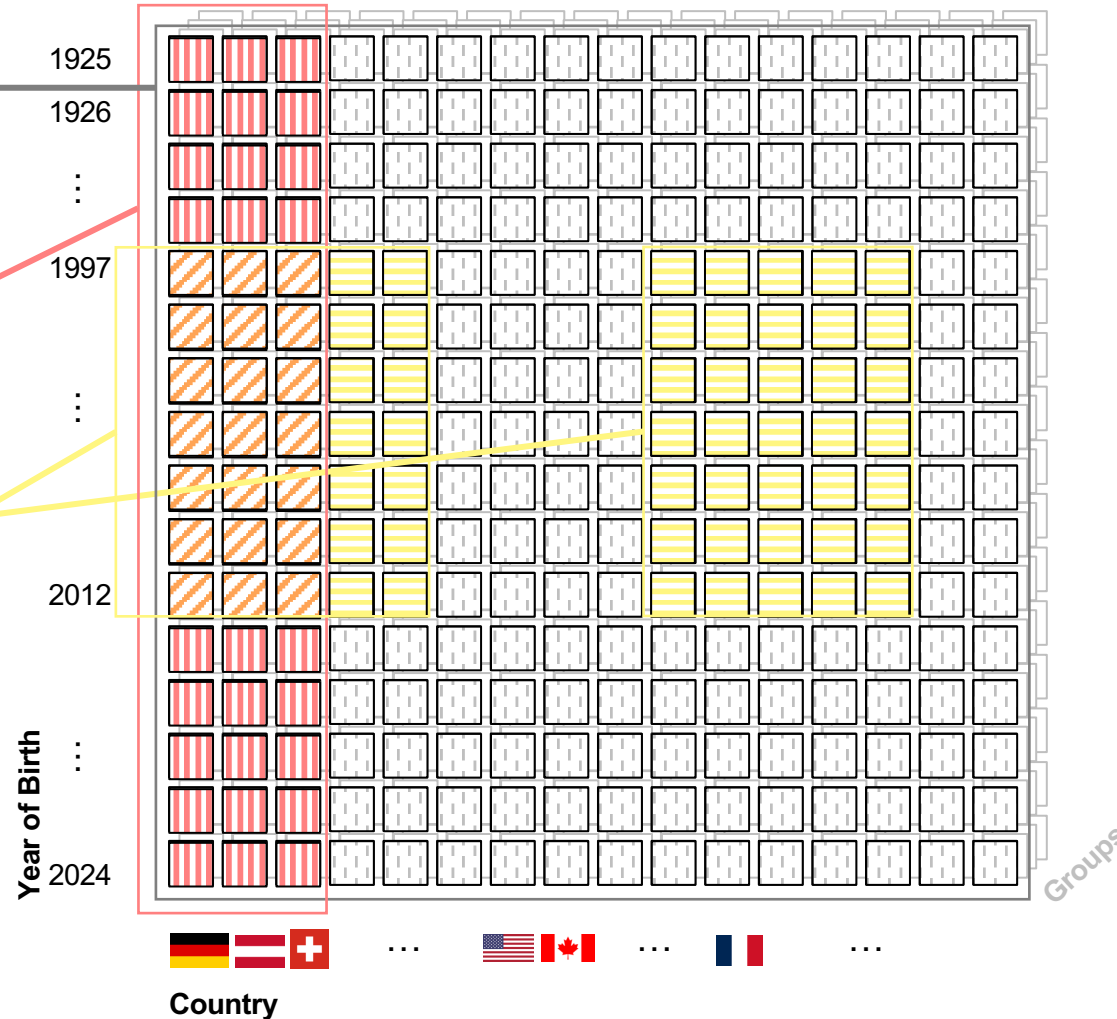
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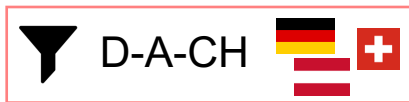


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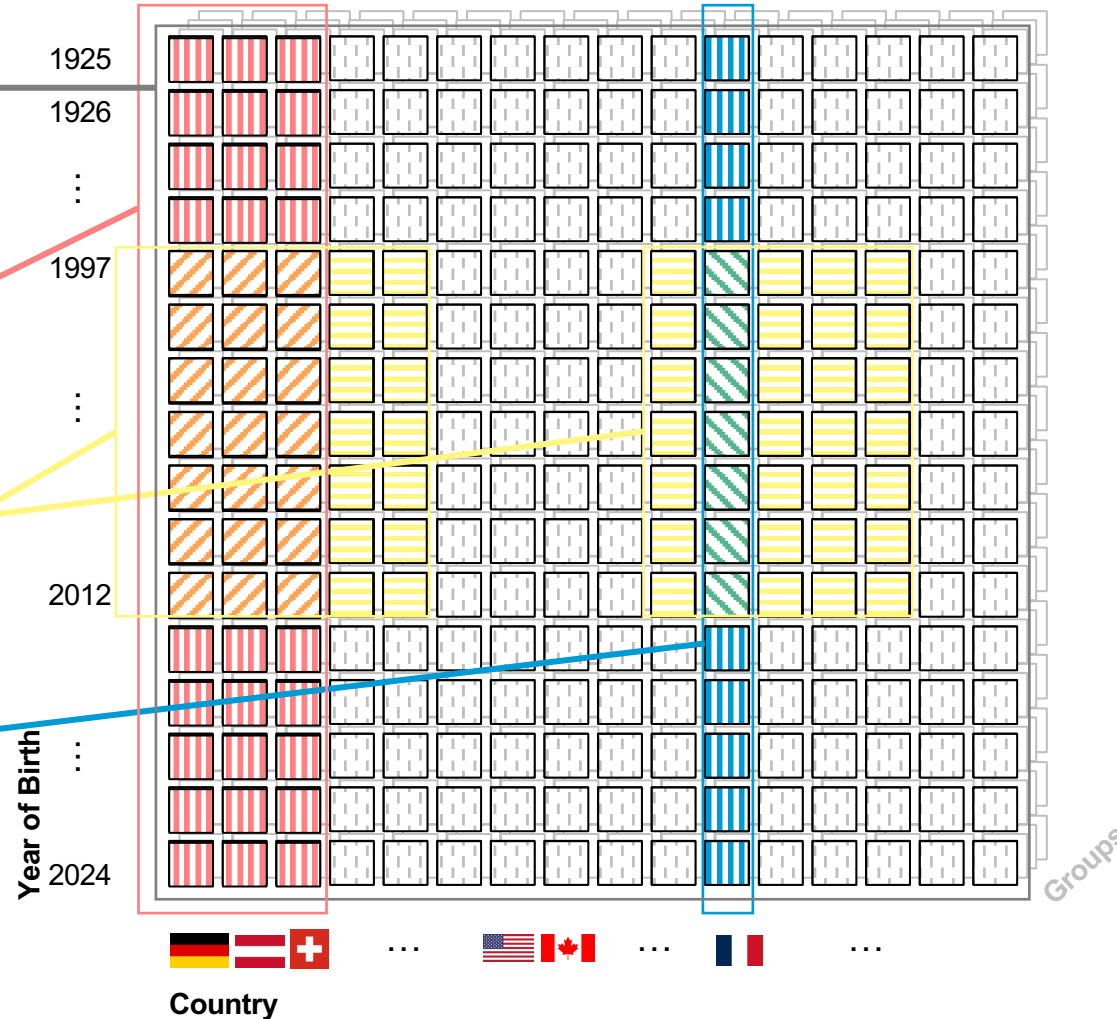
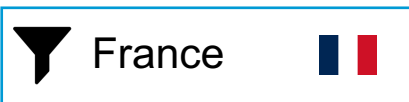
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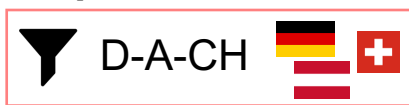


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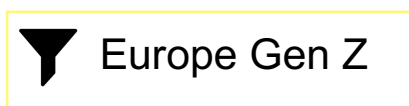
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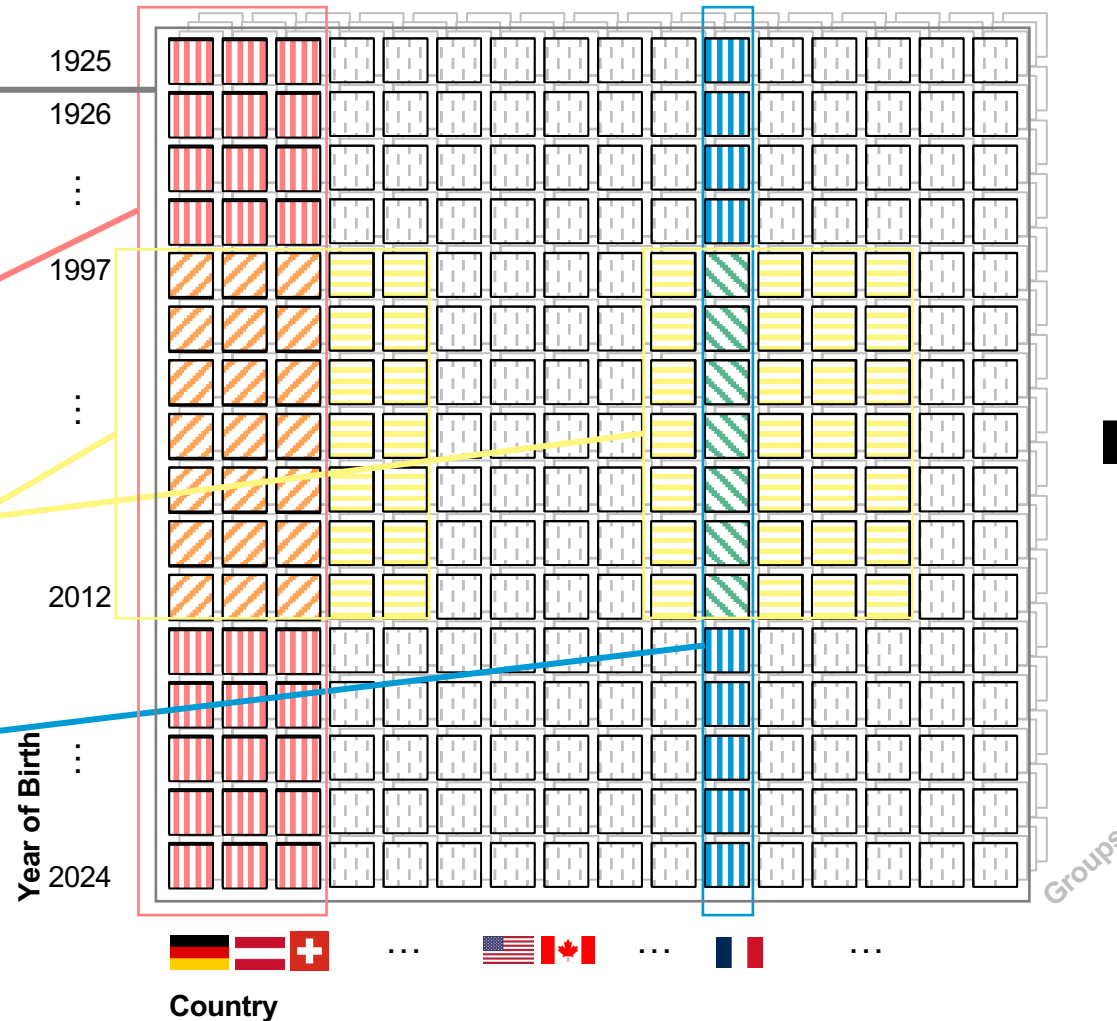
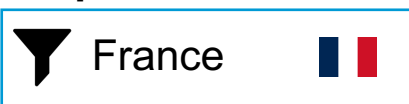
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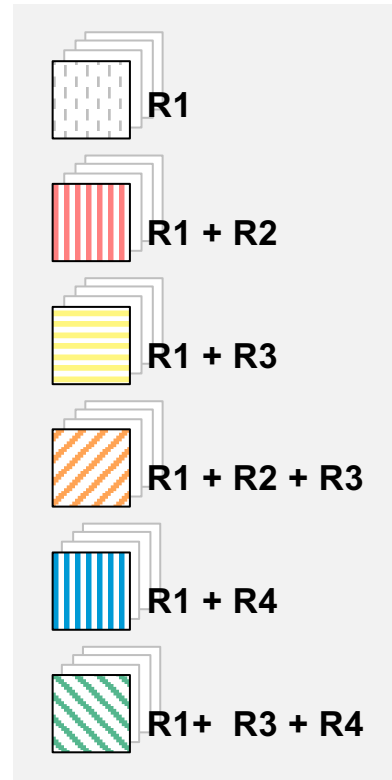
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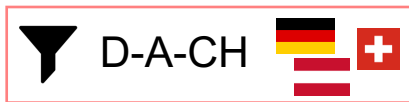


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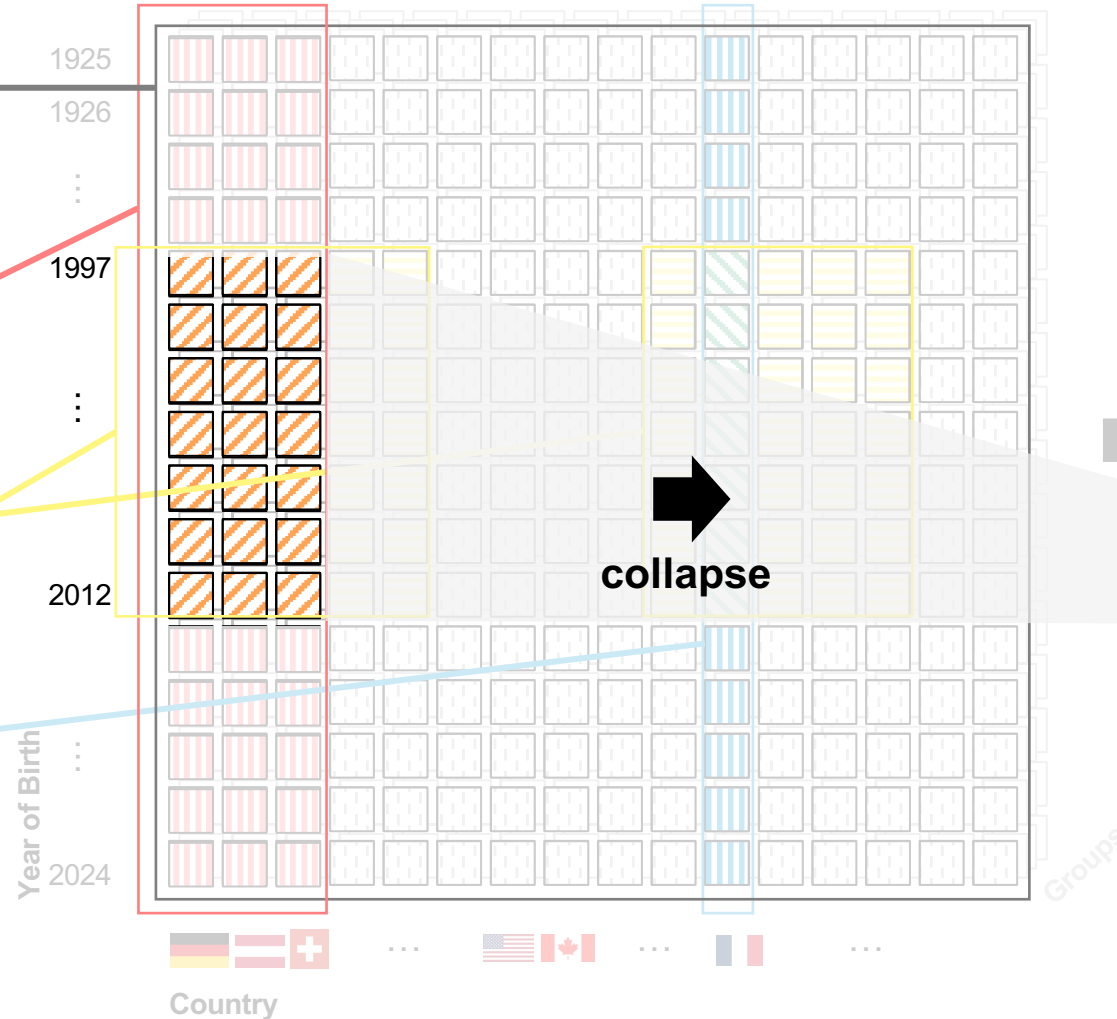
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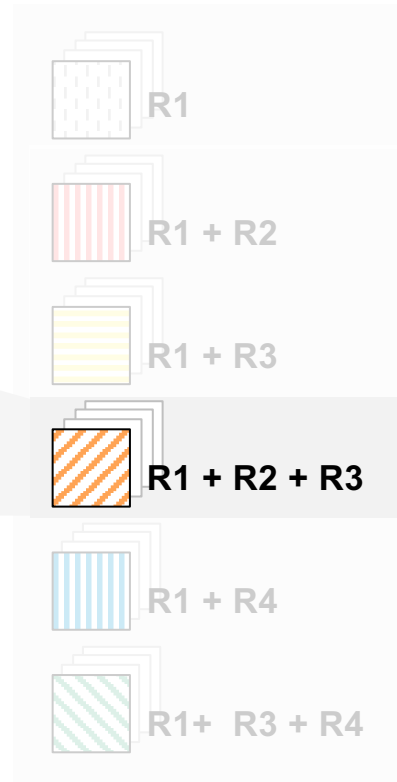
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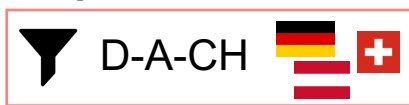


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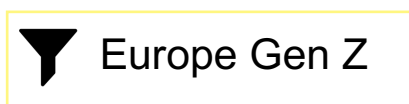
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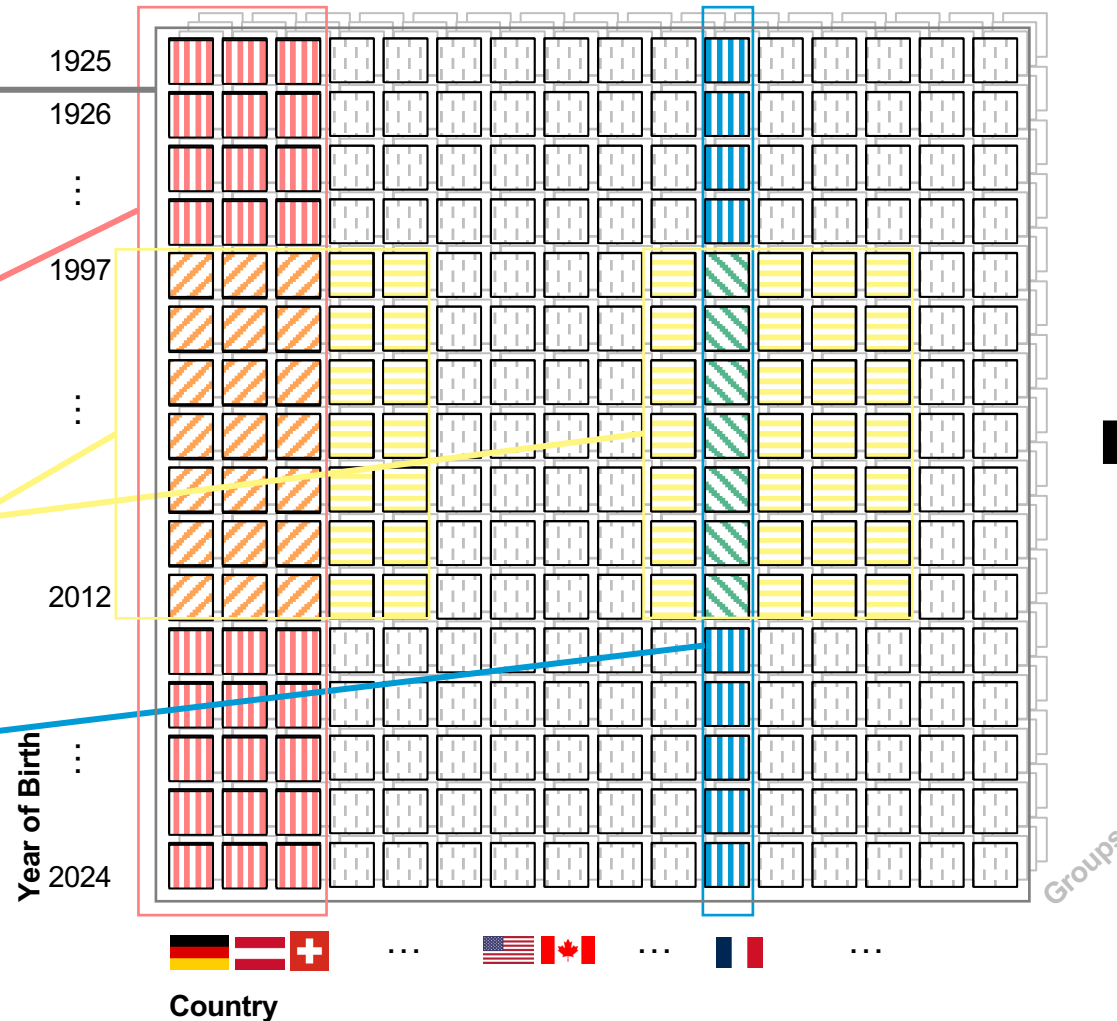
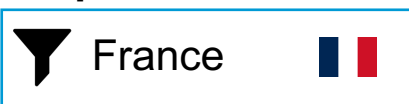
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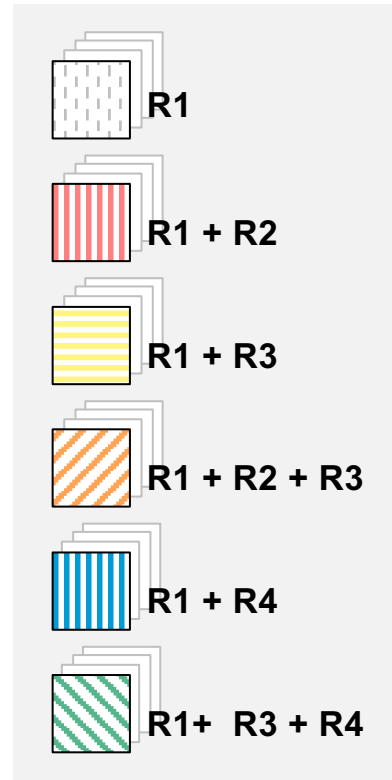
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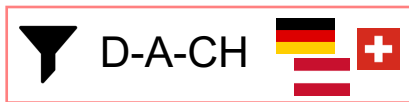


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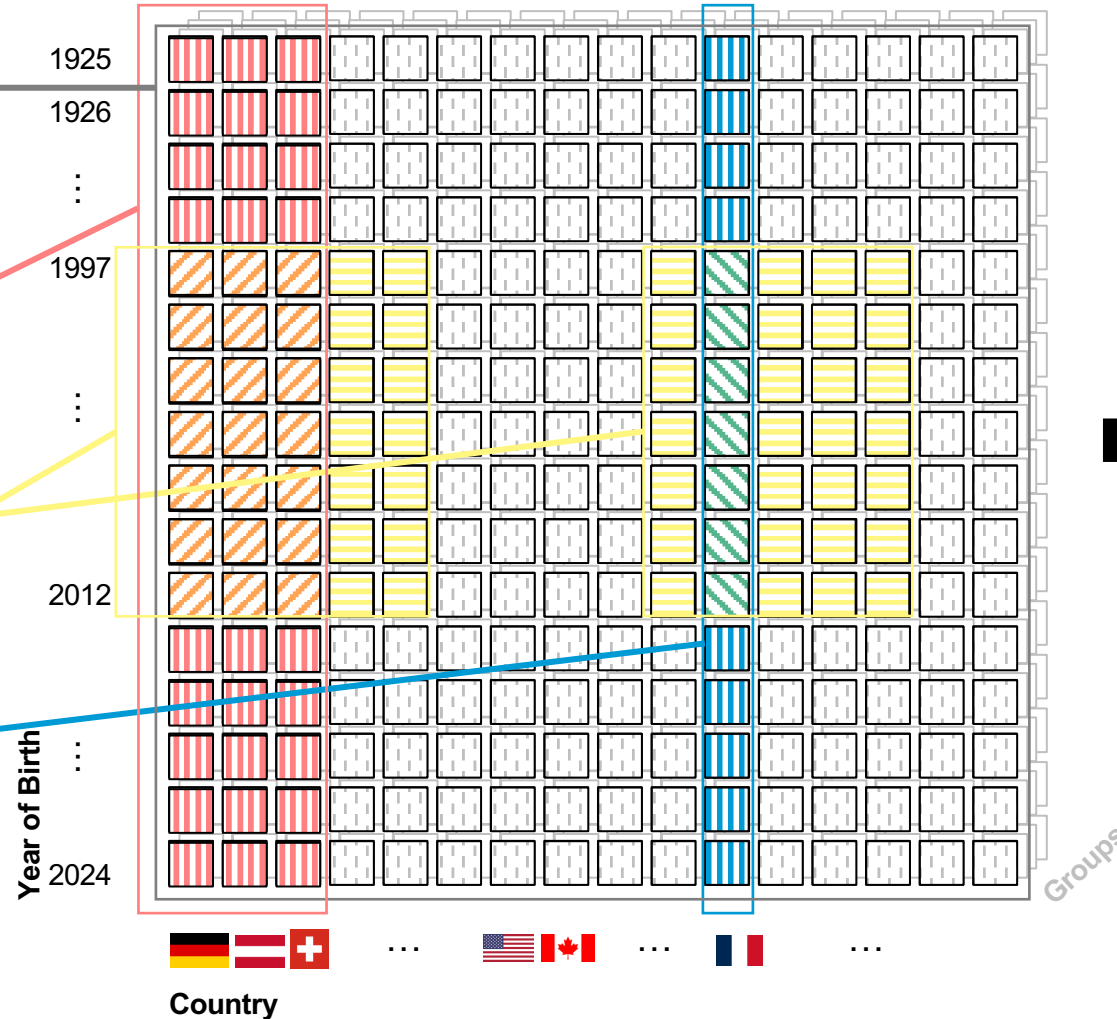
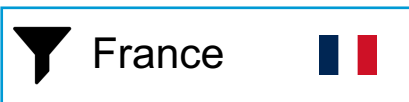
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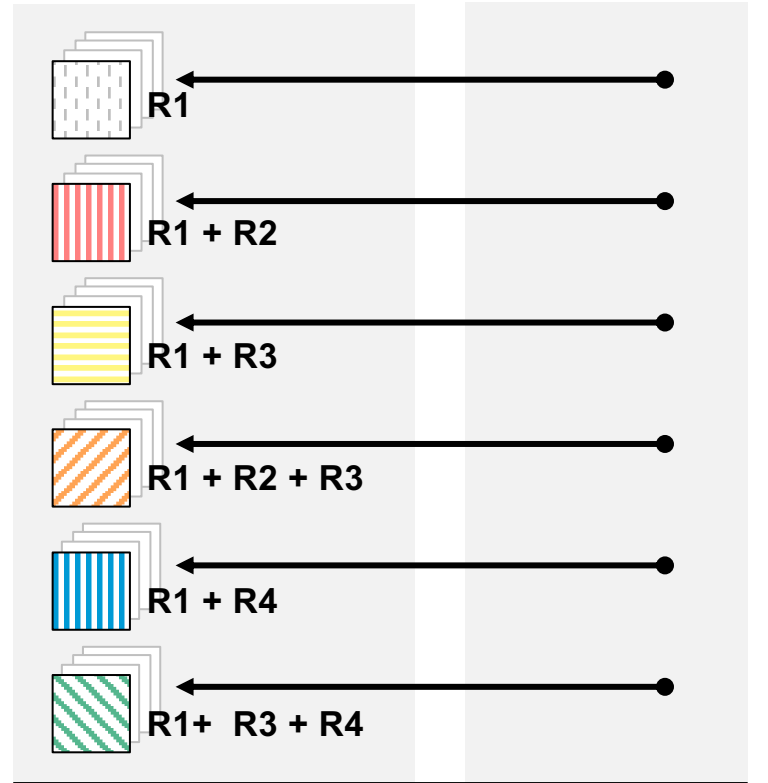


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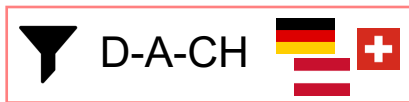
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Resource Allocation: Taming the Complexity

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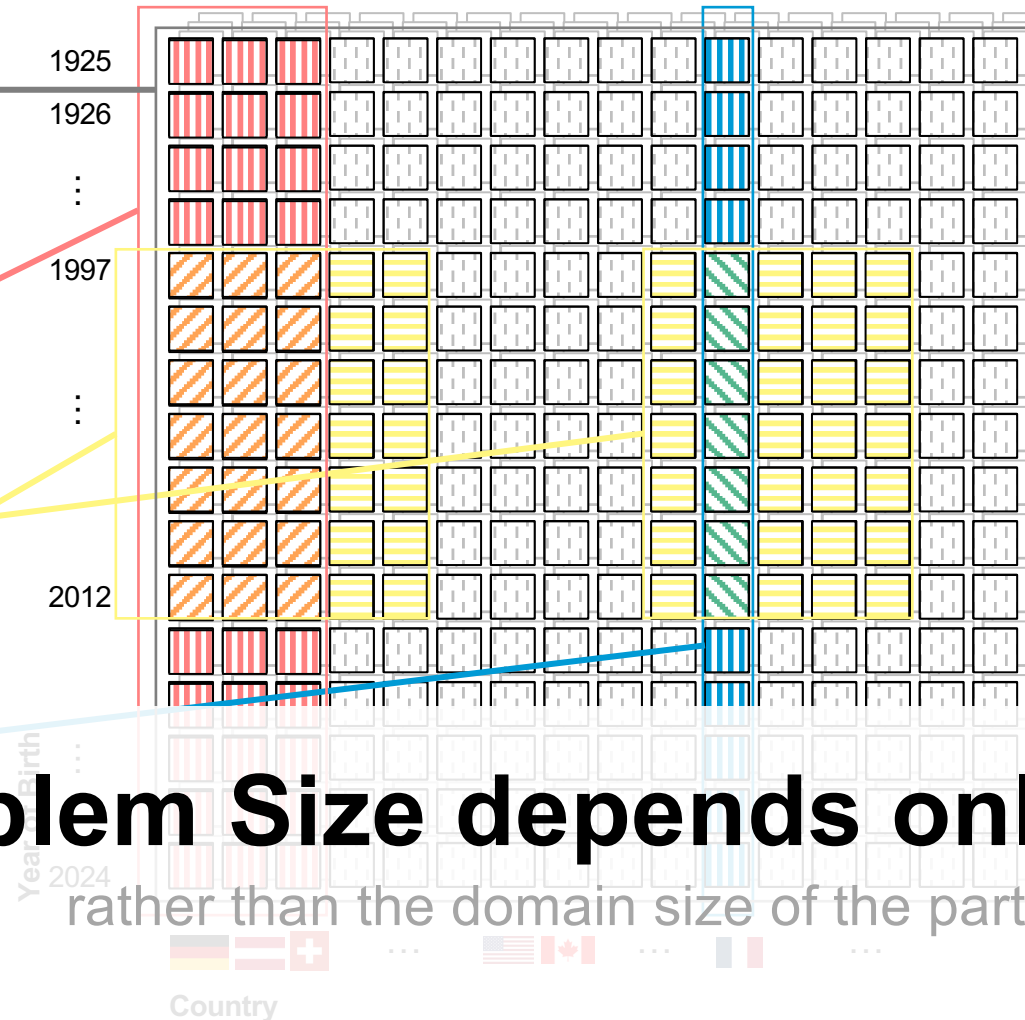
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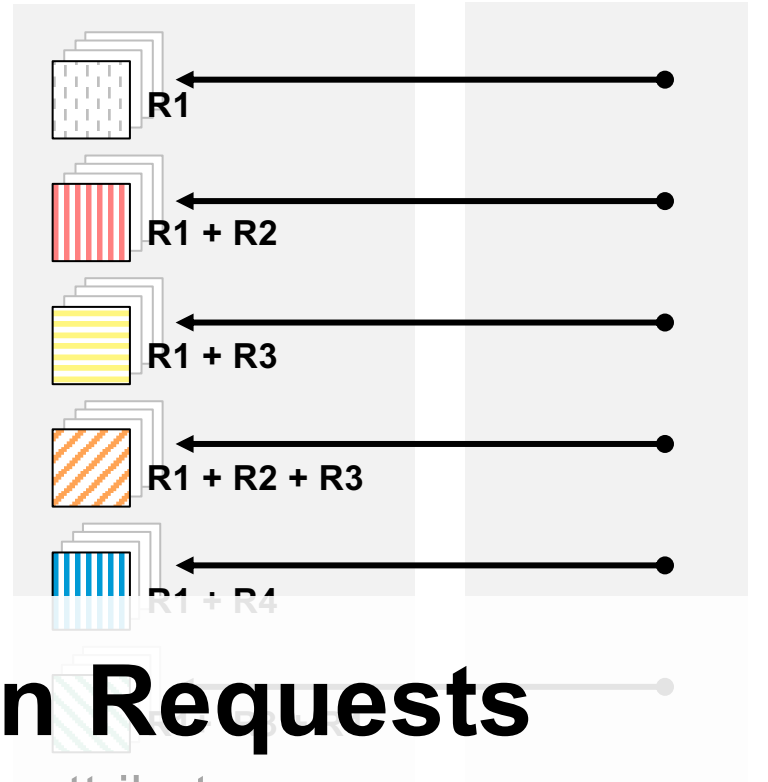


Request 4



Contending Costs

Budgets



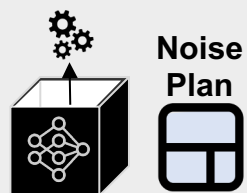
Problem Size depends only on Requests

rather than the domain size of the partitioning attributes

Dimensionality Reduction

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Unified System Architecture



Unified
Application Layer

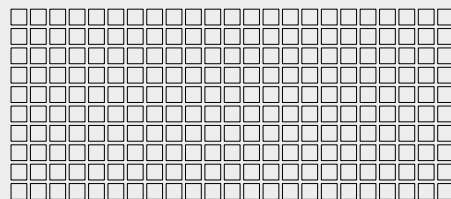
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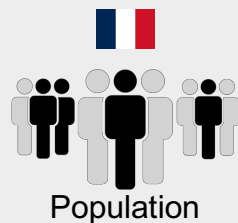
Unified Data Layer

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Access Pattern for Privacy Analysis



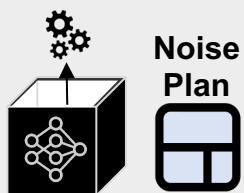
Fine-Grained Block
Composition



Subsampling

1

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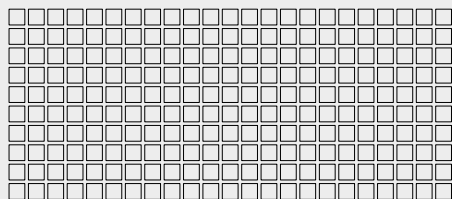
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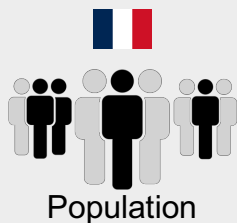
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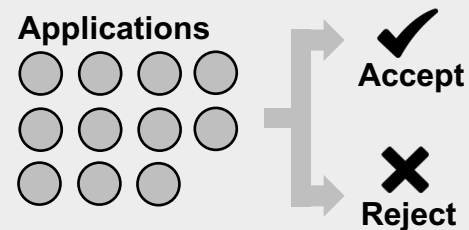
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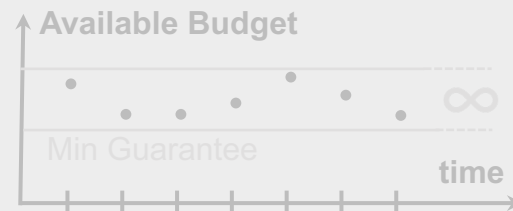
Population
Subsampling

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System Continuity Guarantee



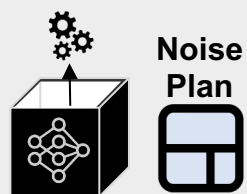
Periodic Planning



Budget Guarantee

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Unified System Architecture



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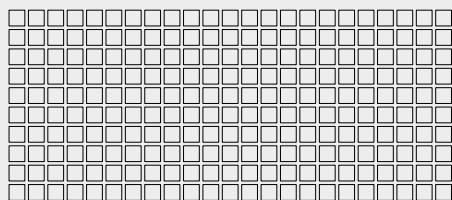
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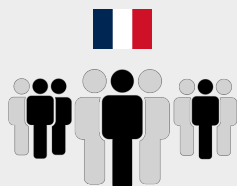
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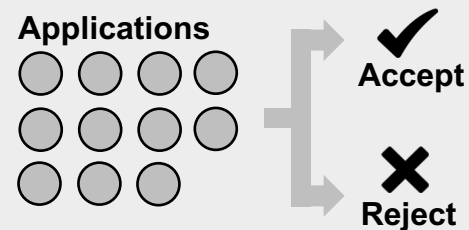


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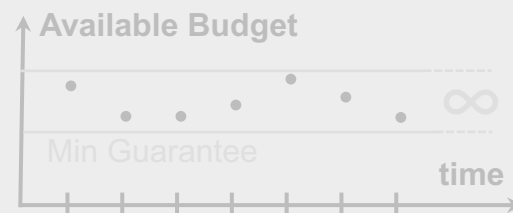
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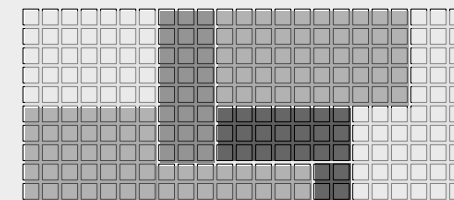
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Resource Allocation

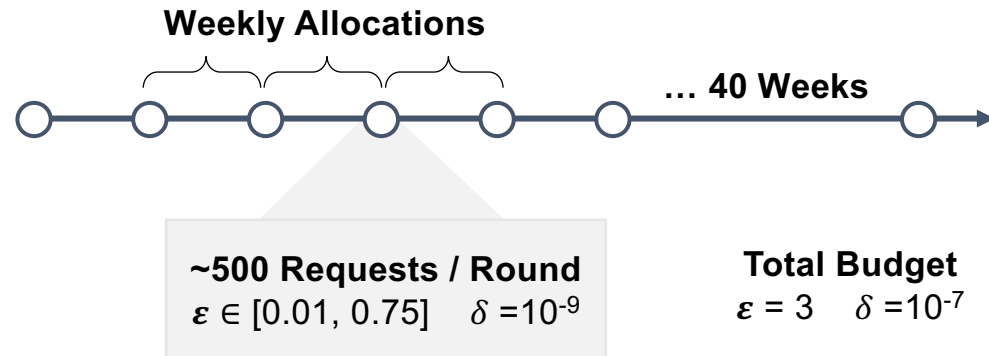
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Multidimensional
Knapsack

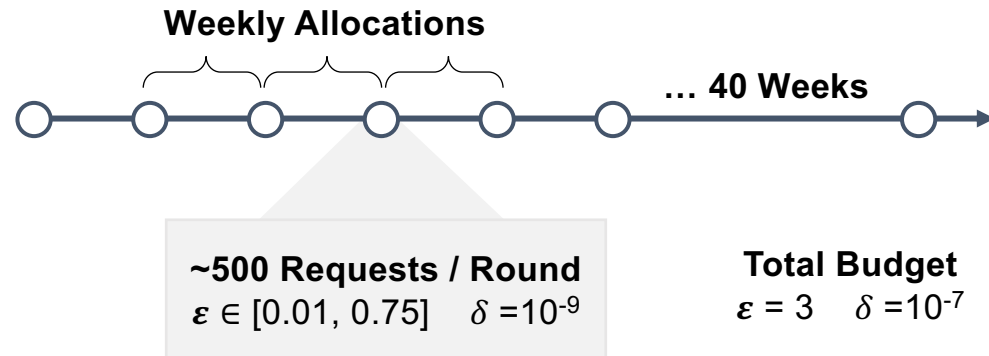


Dimensionality
Reduction

Evaluation Scenario



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Baseline

PrivateKube

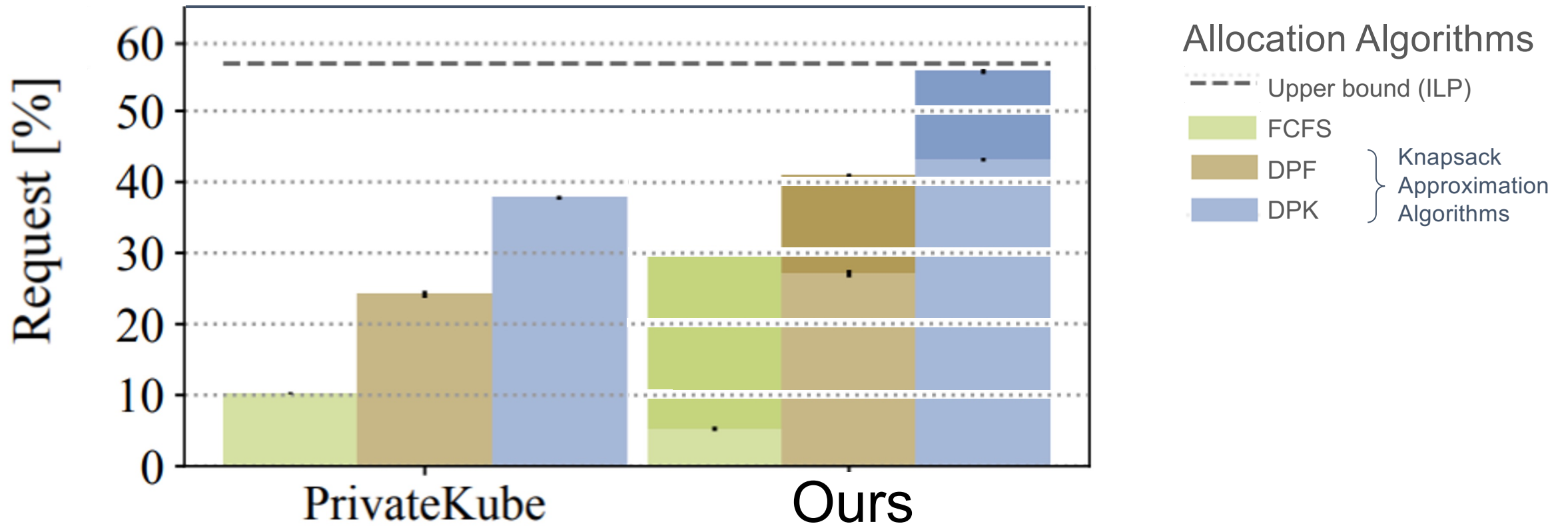
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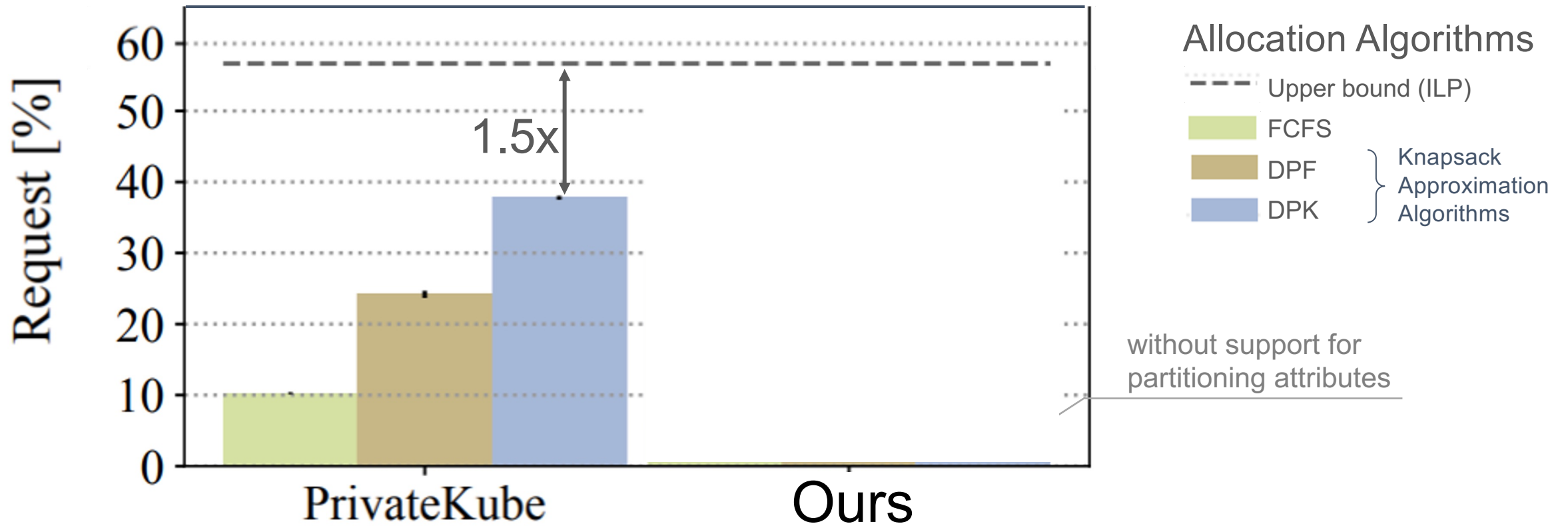
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Fixed Coarse-Grained
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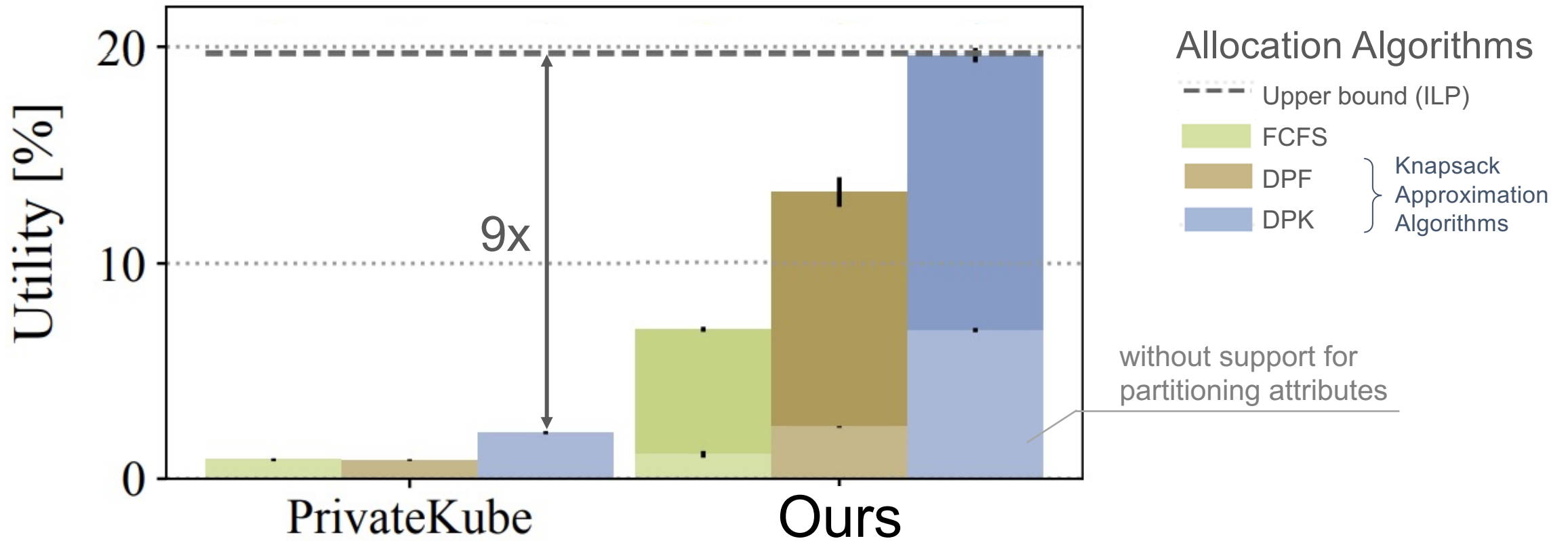
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