

Rast: Resource-Aware Session Types with Arithmetic Refinements

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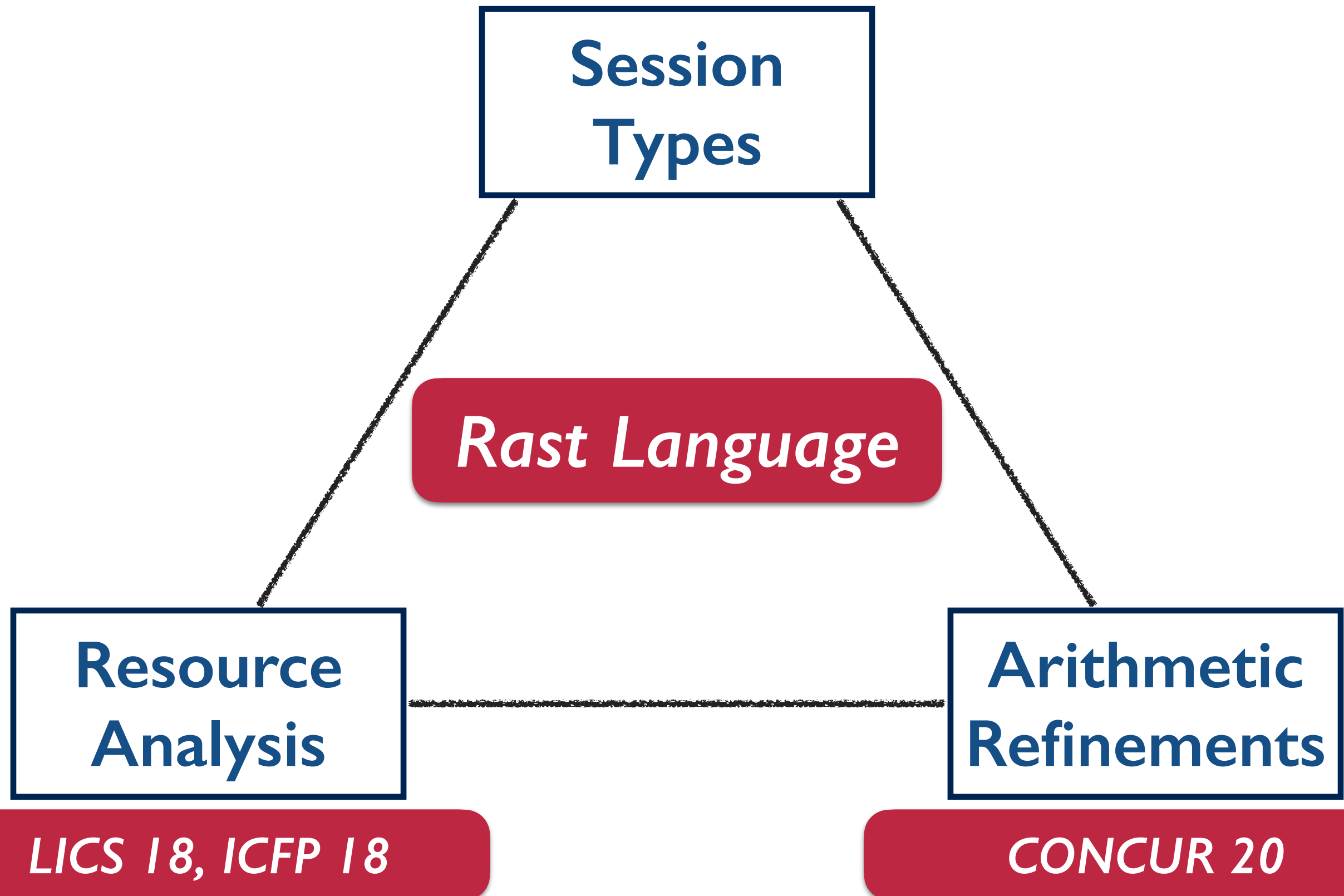
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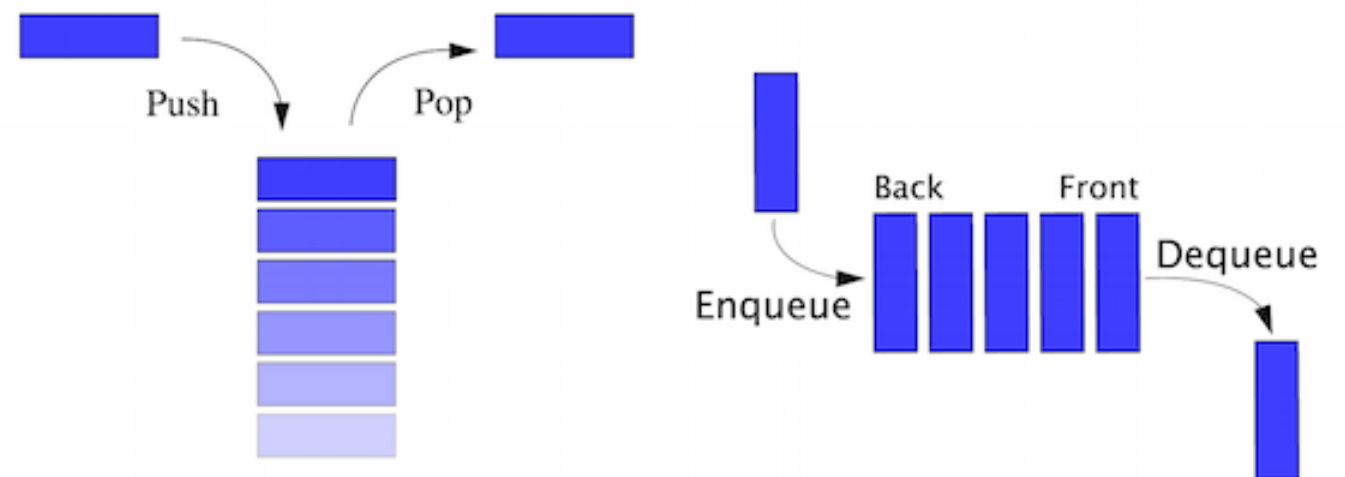
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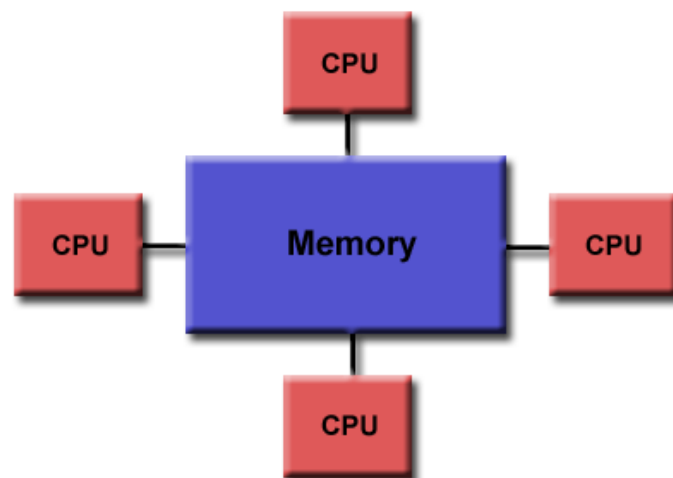
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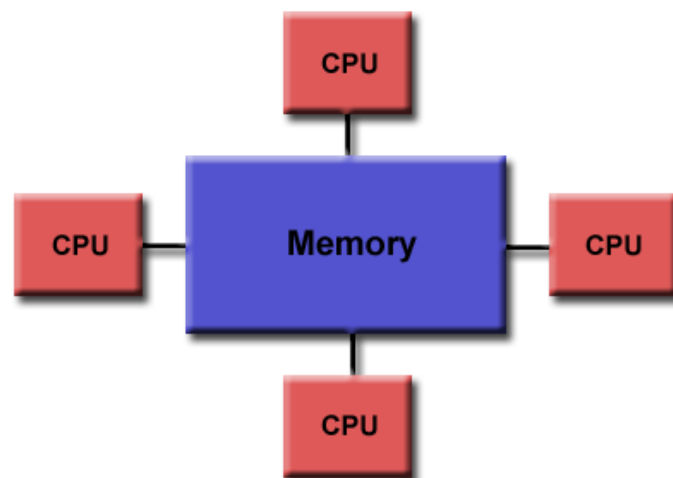
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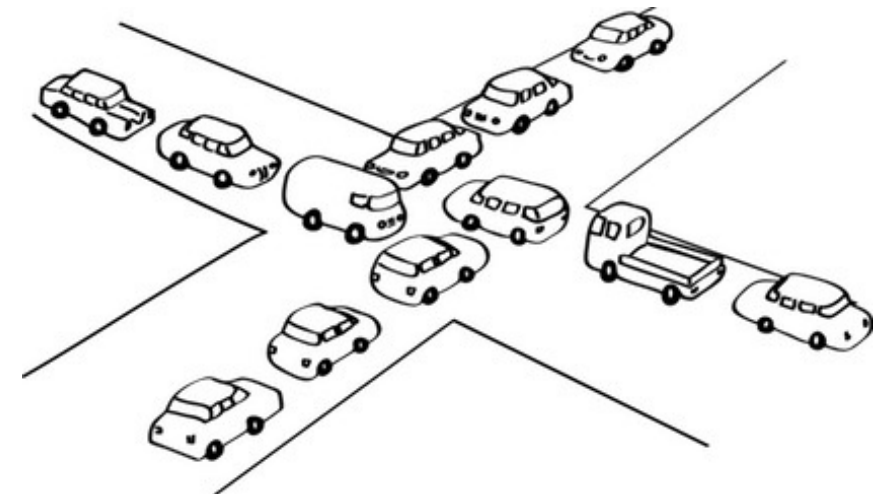
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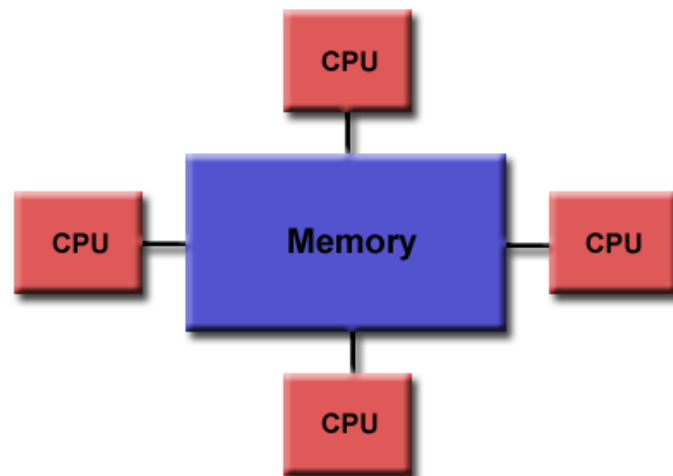
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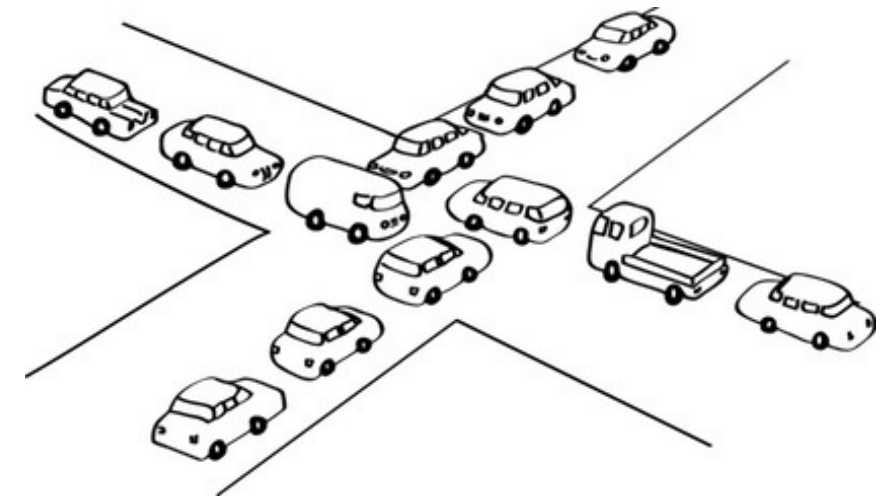
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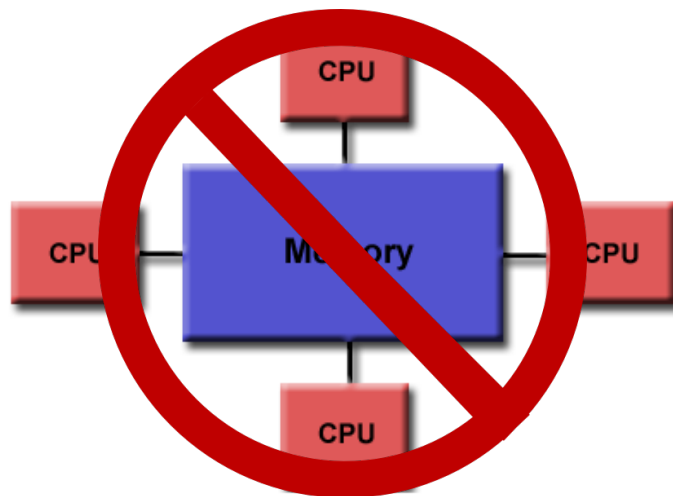
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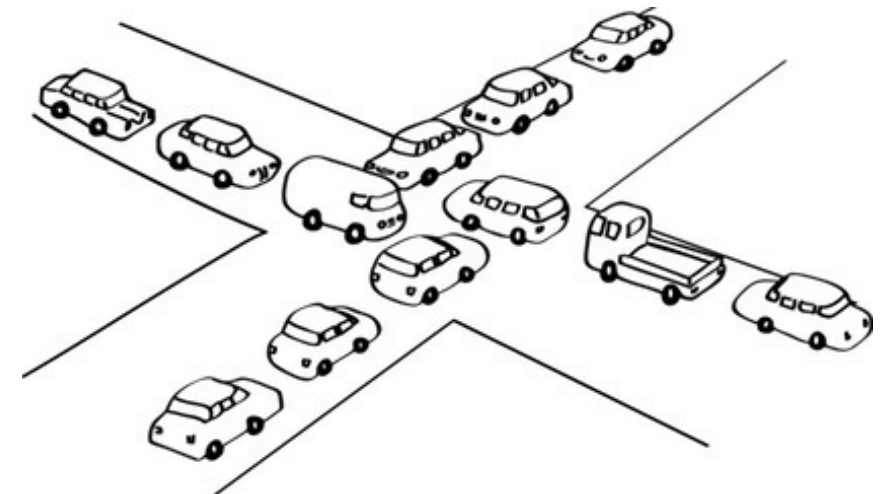
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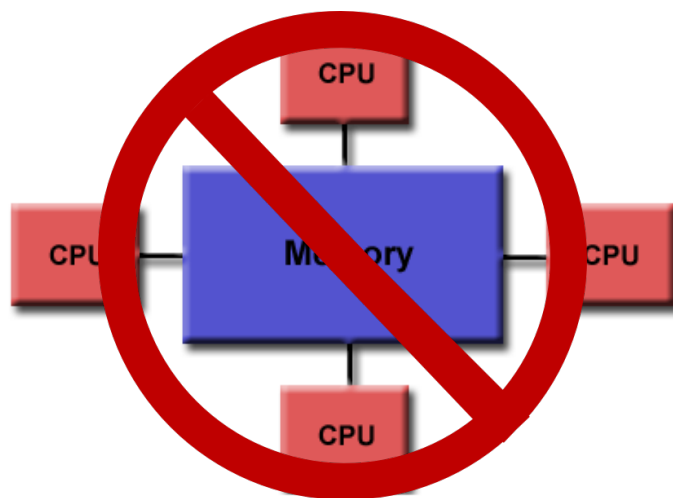
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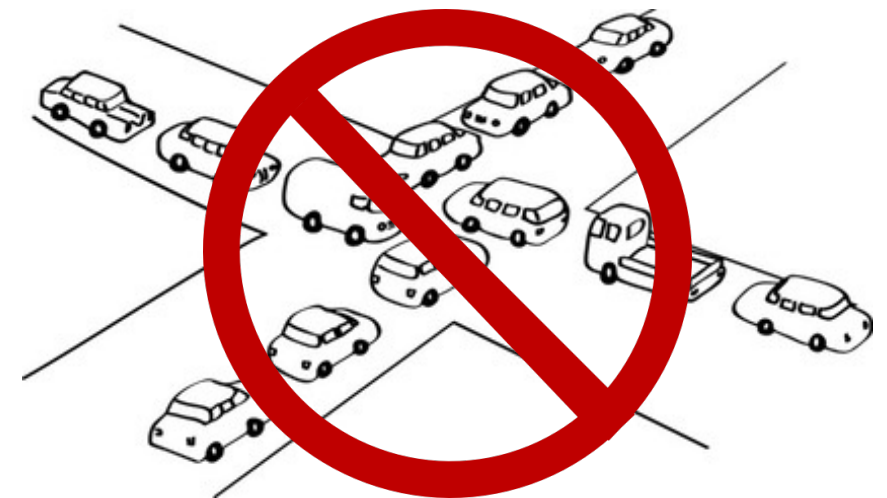
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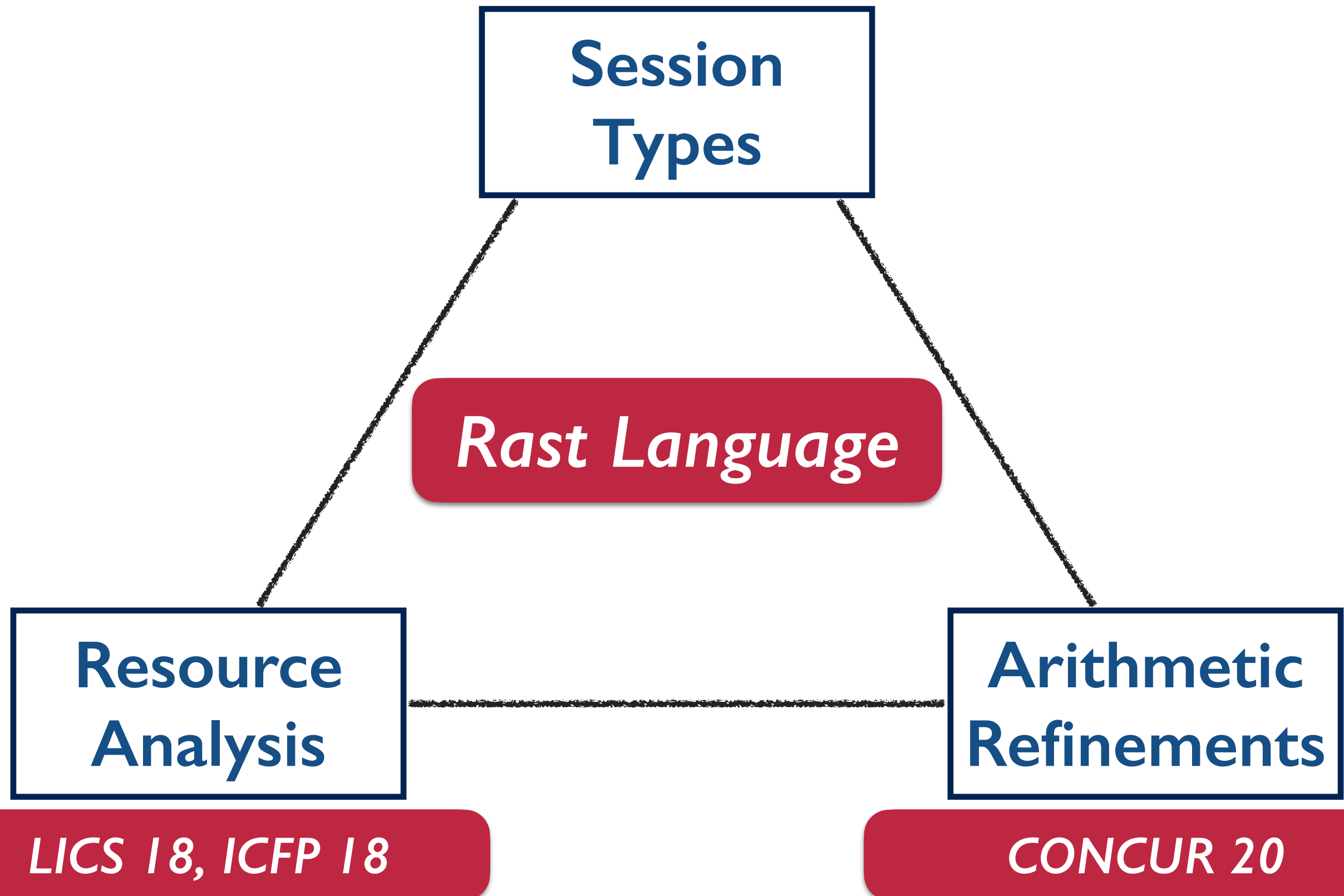
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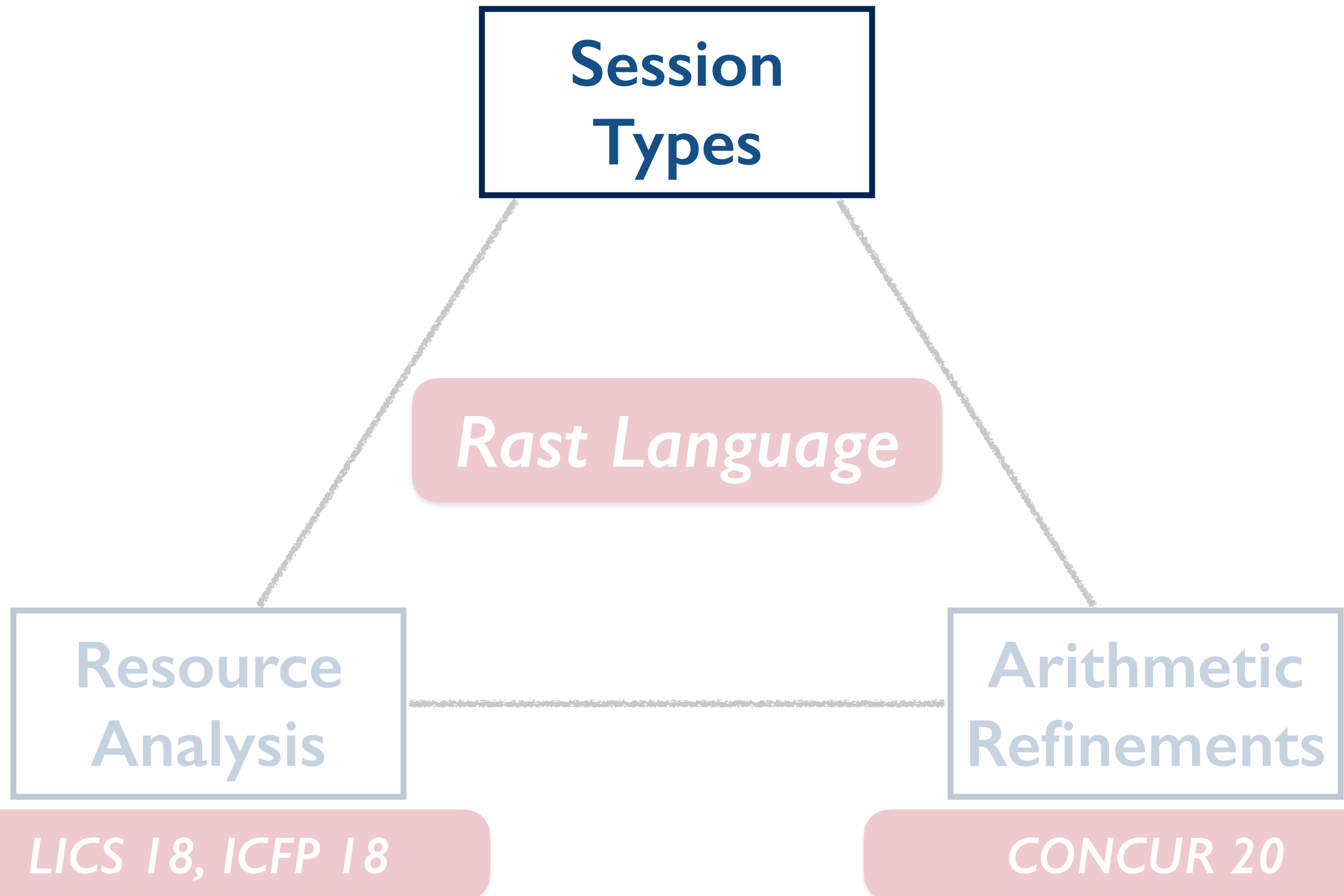
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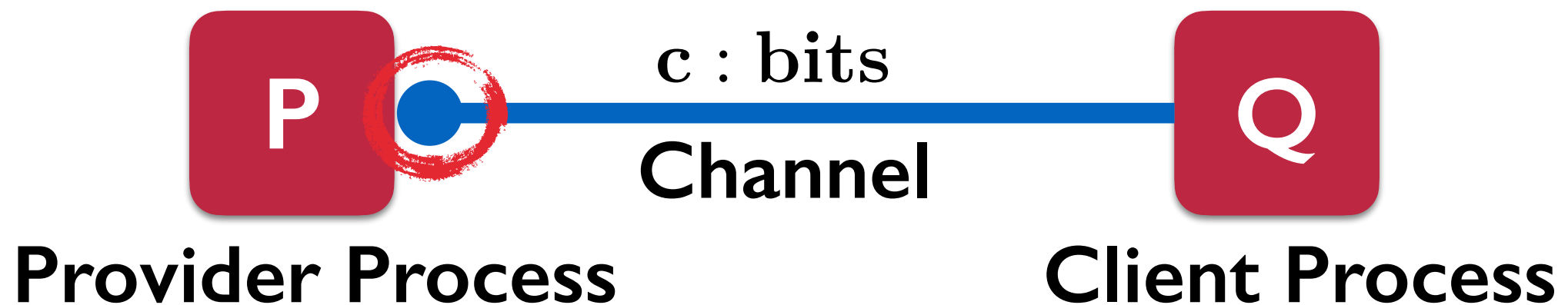


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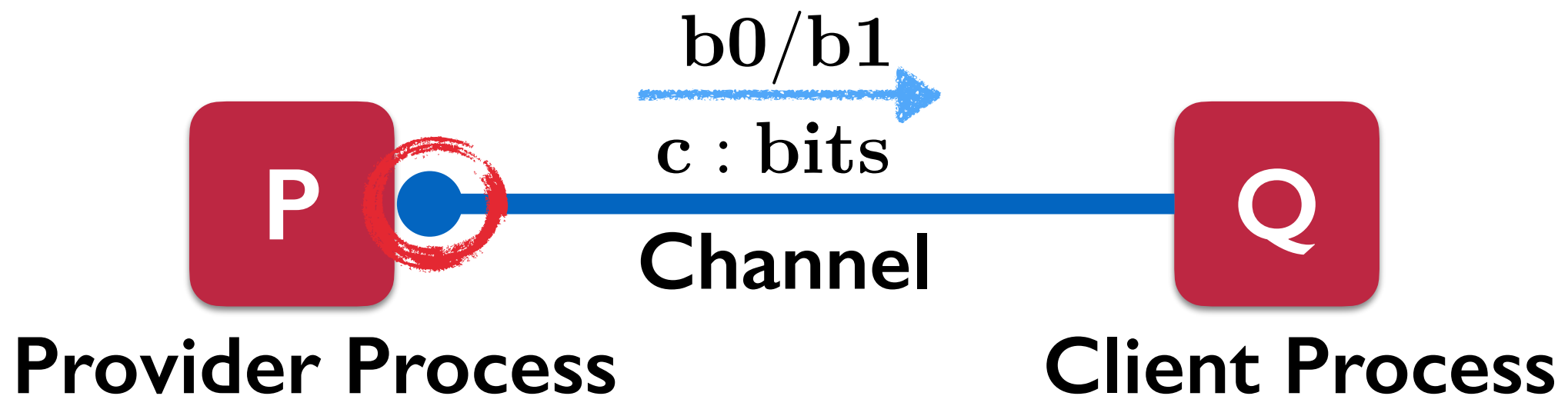


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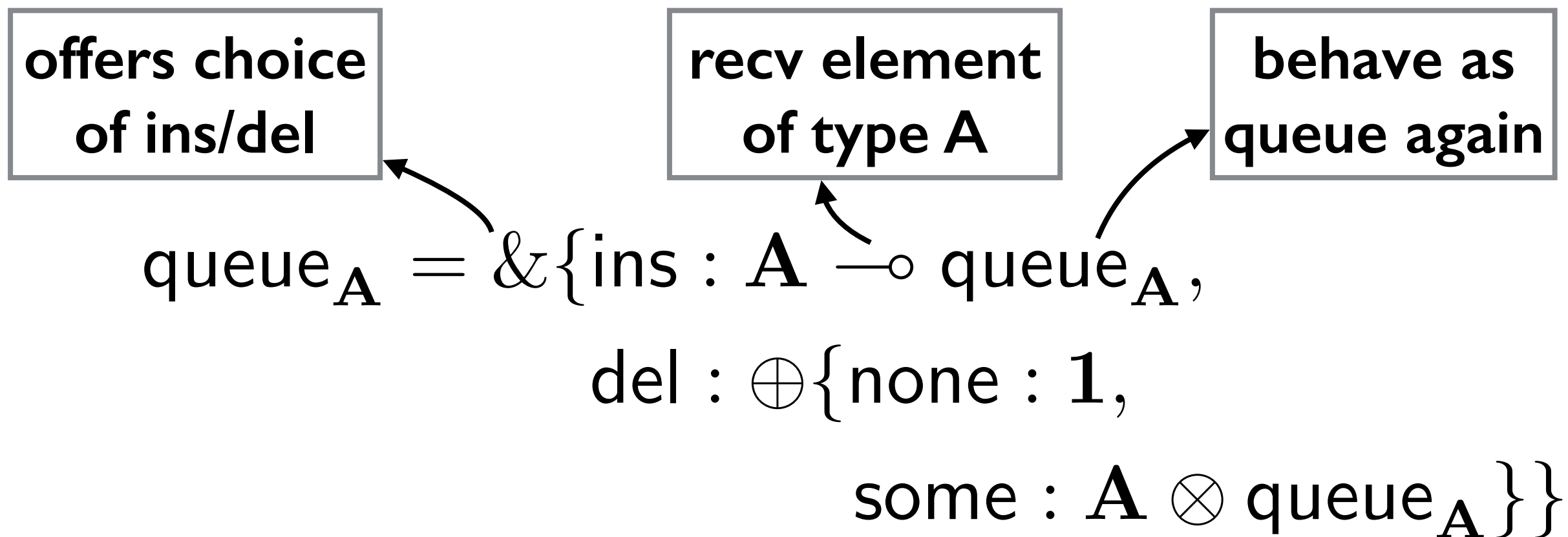
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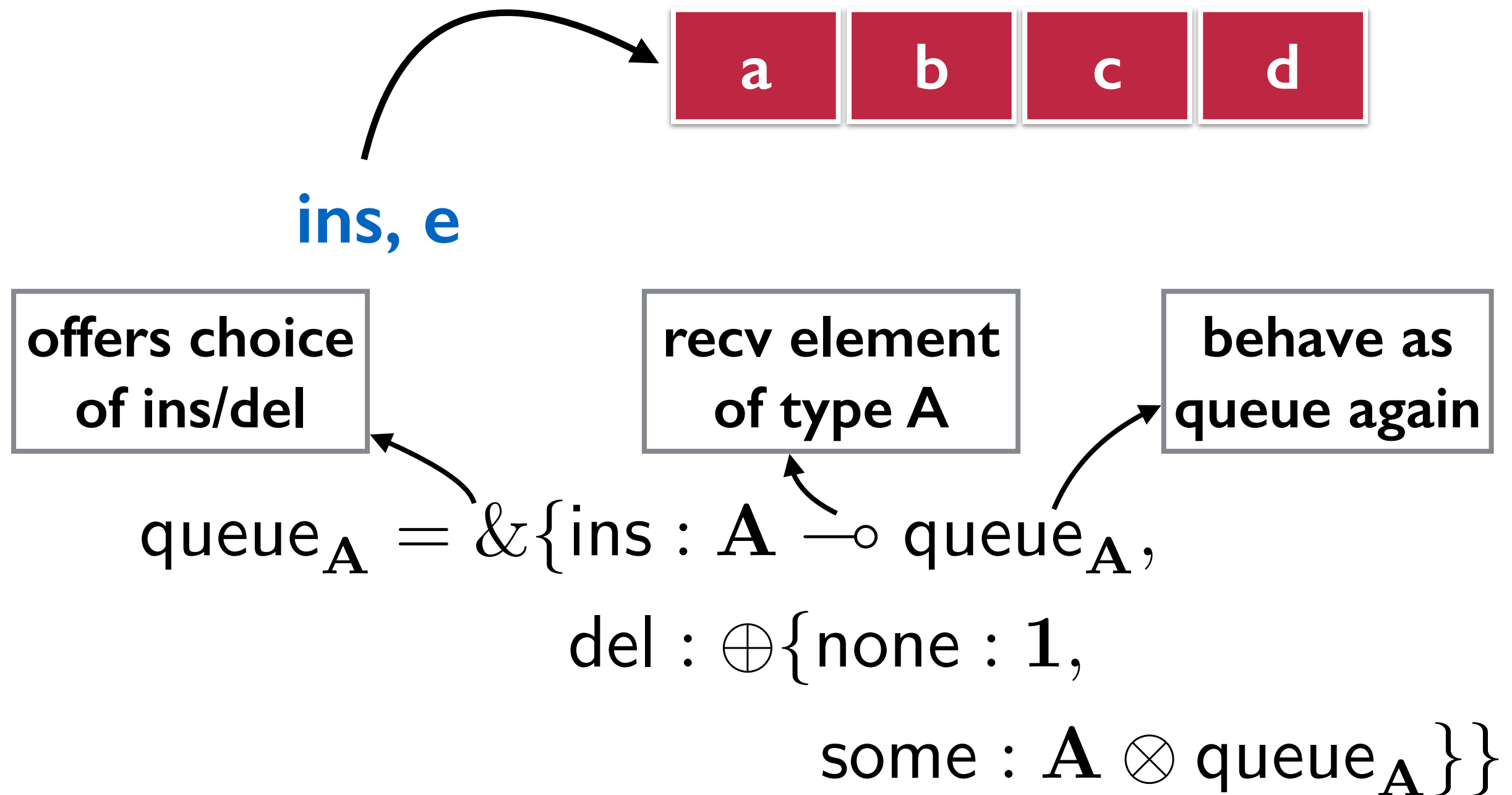
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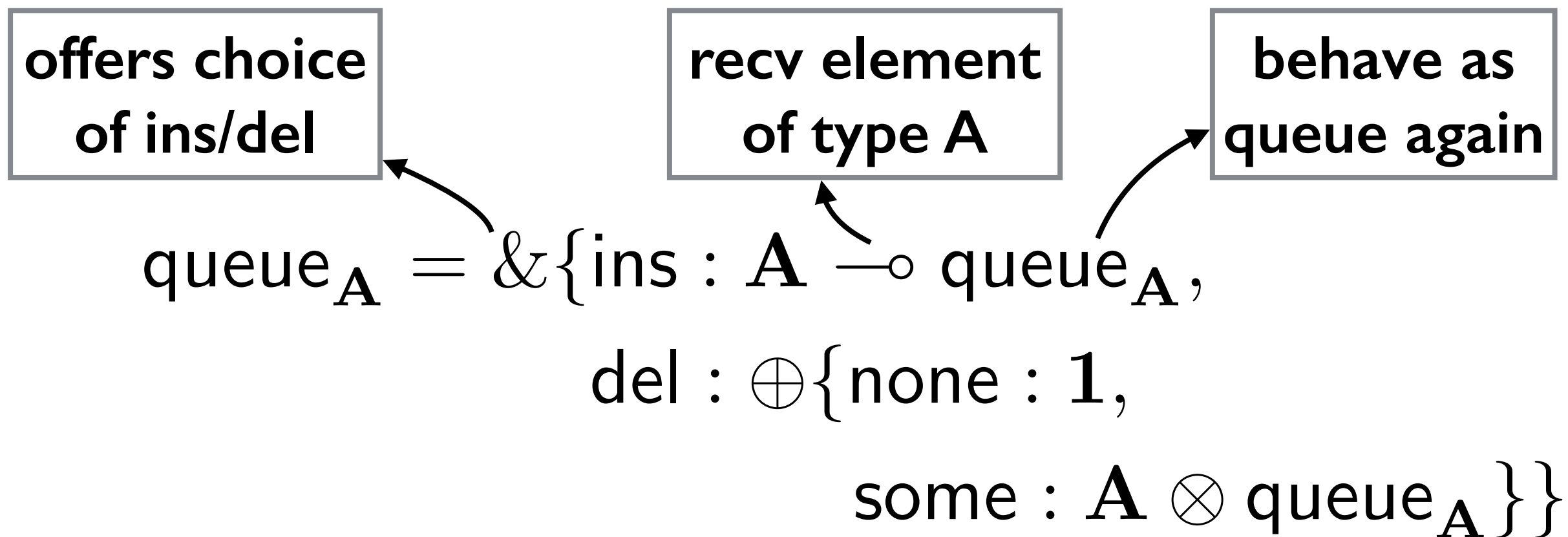
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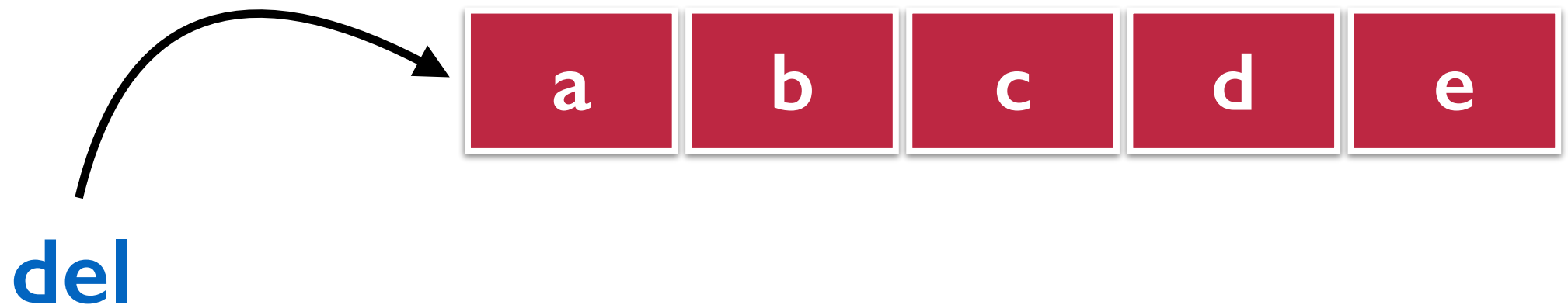
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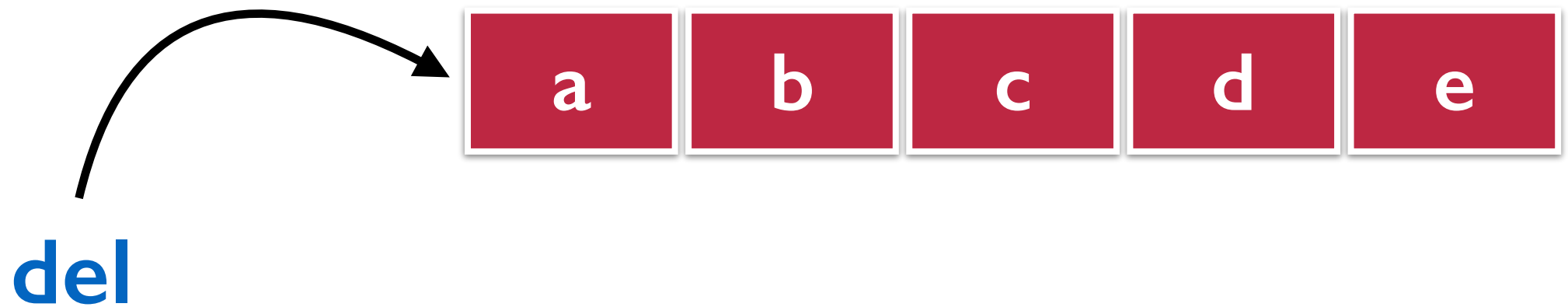
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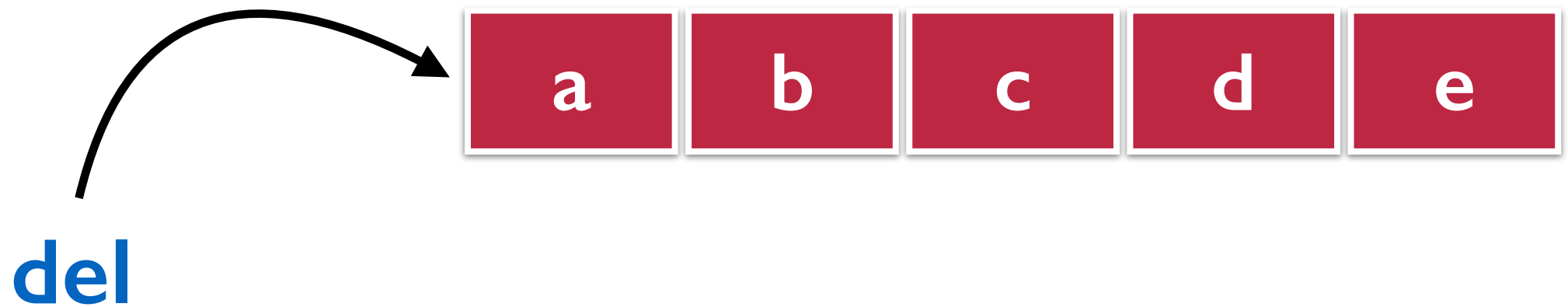
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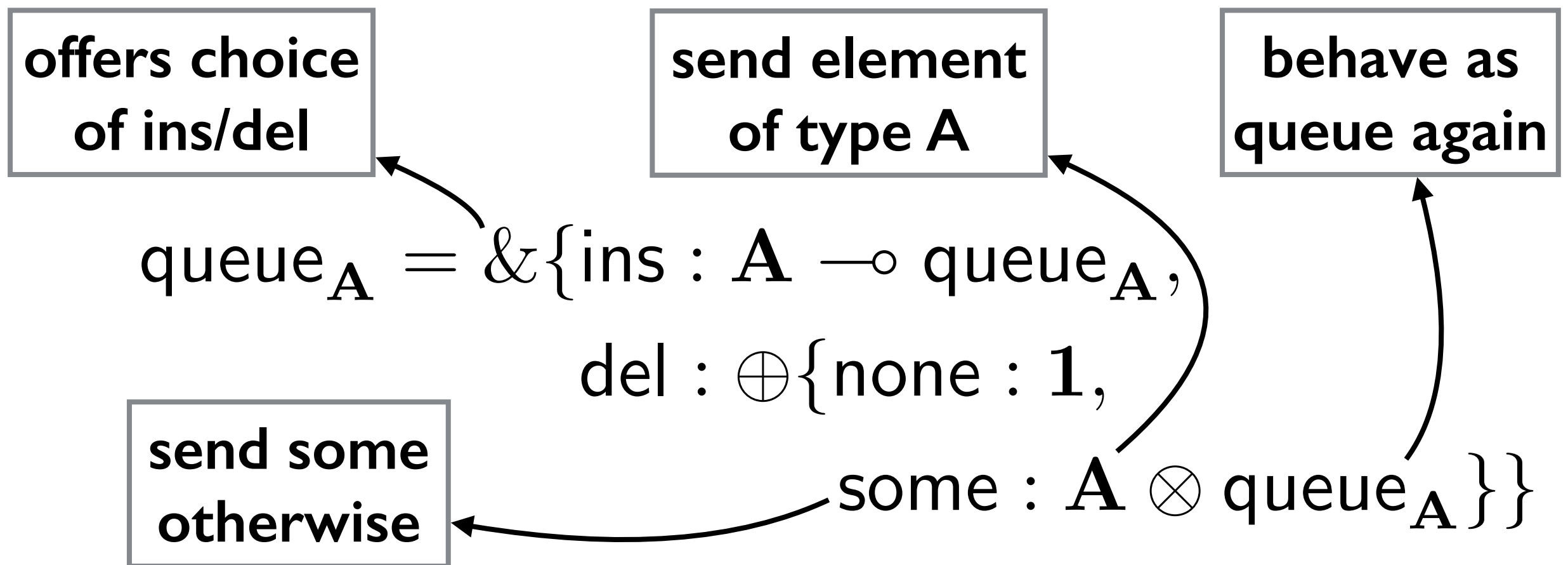
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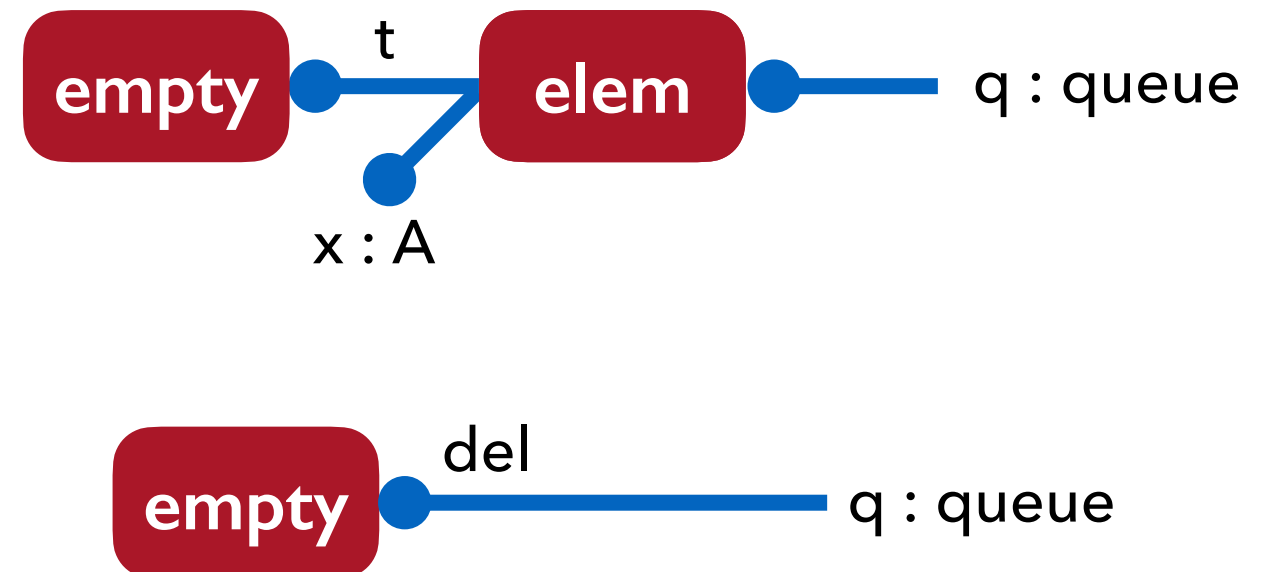
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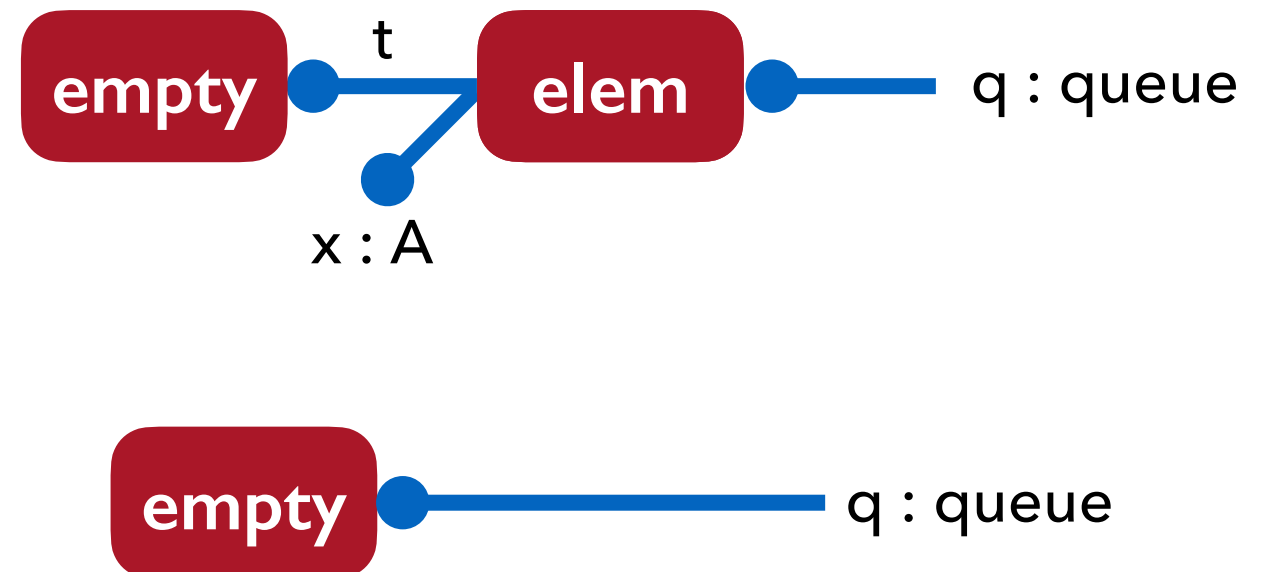
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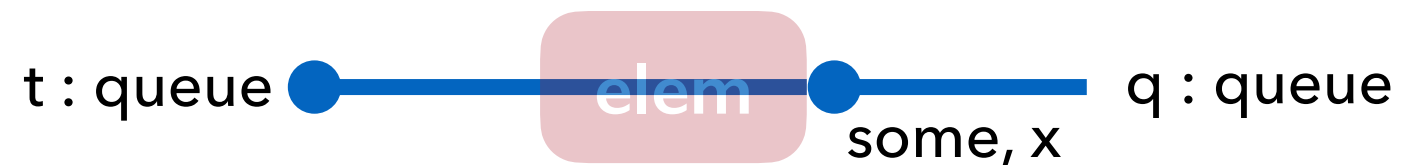
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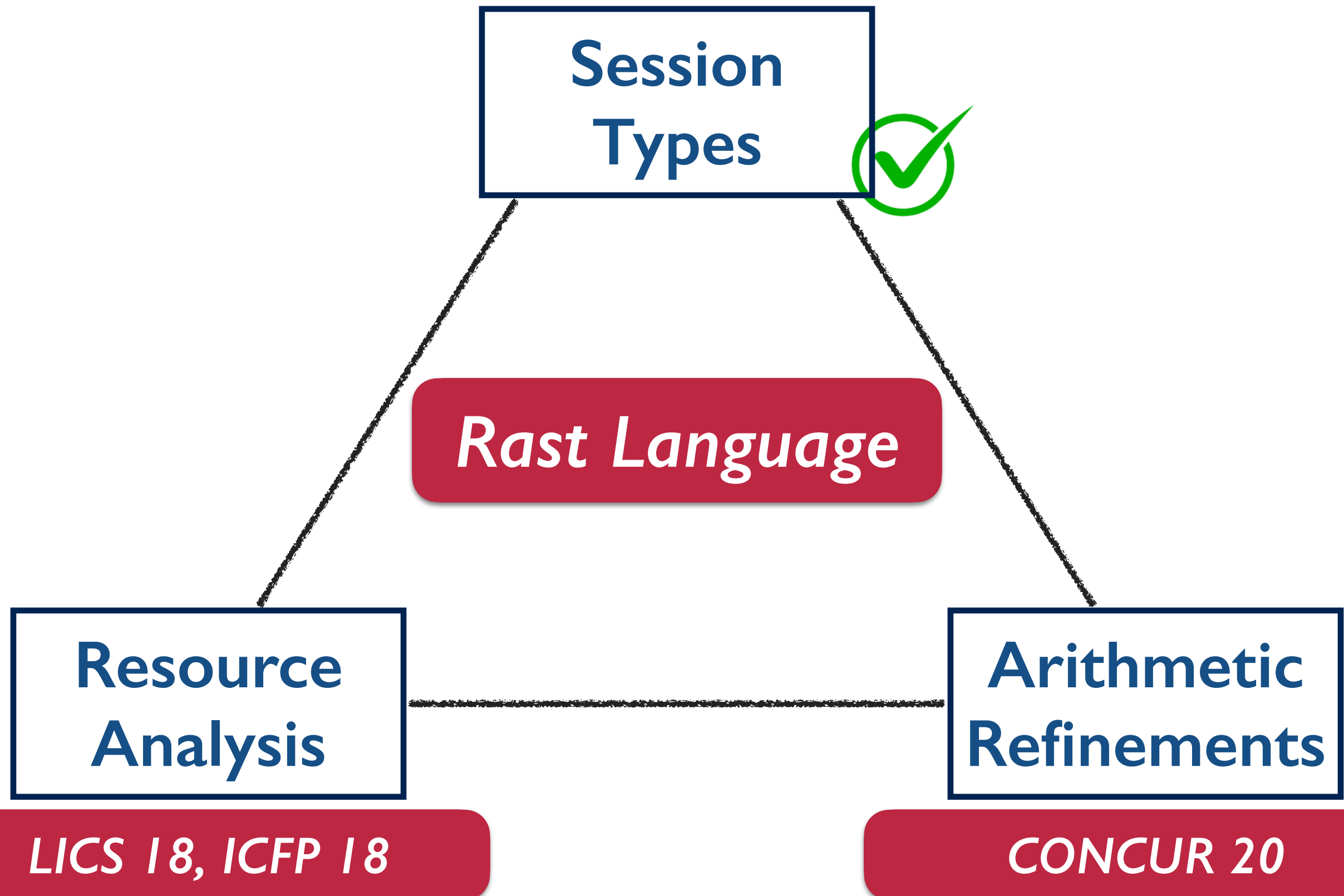
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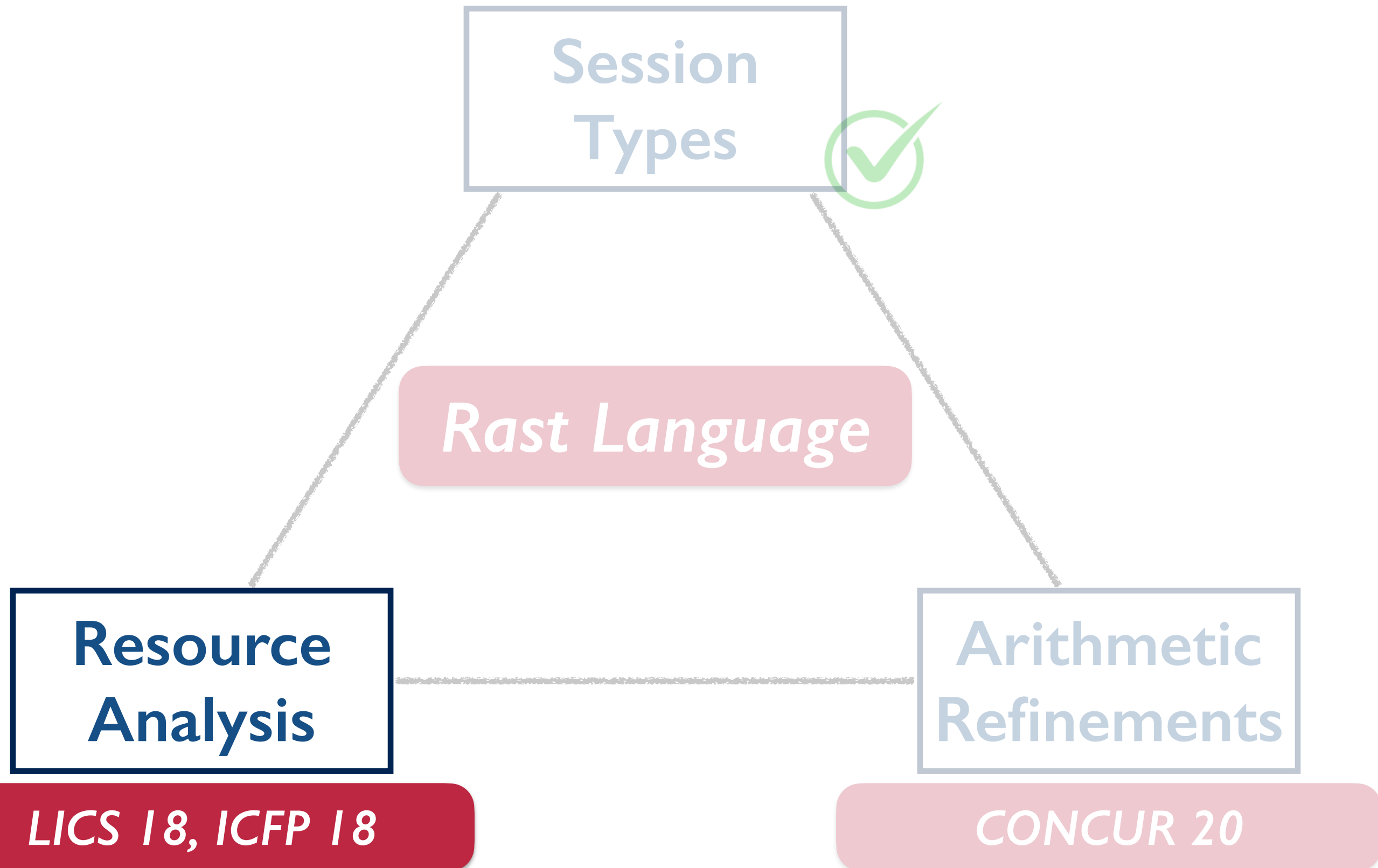
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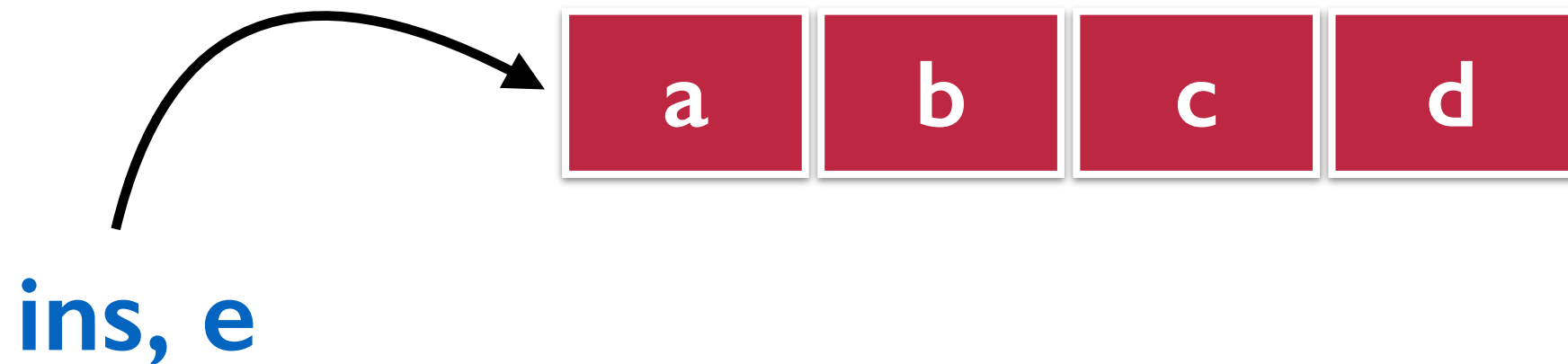
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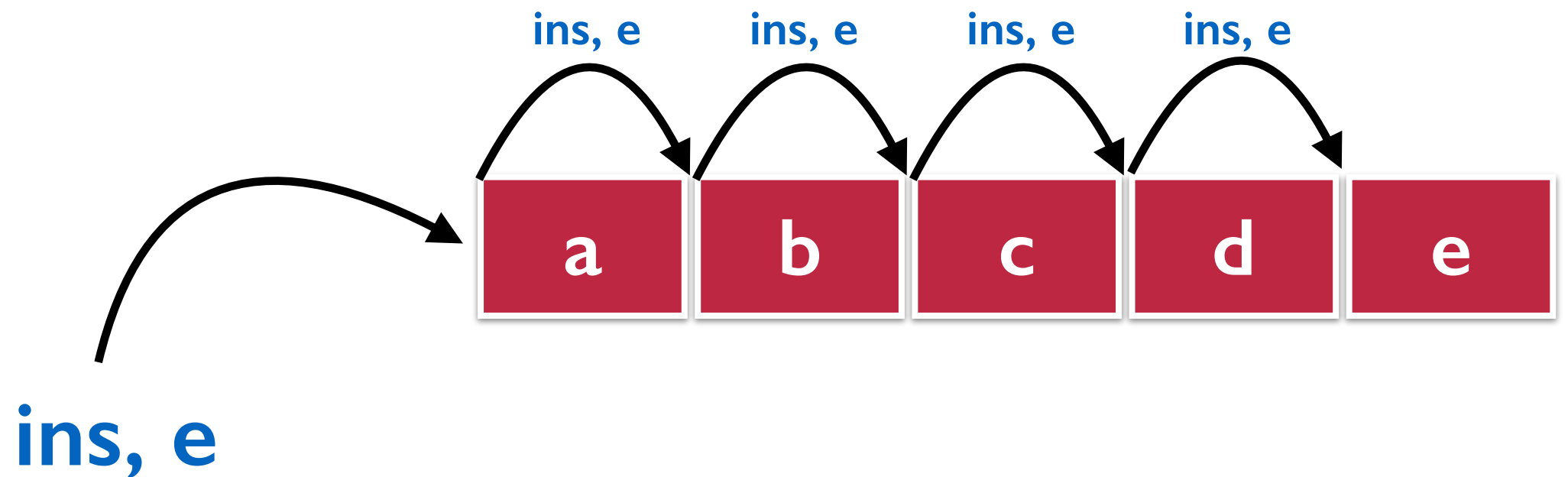
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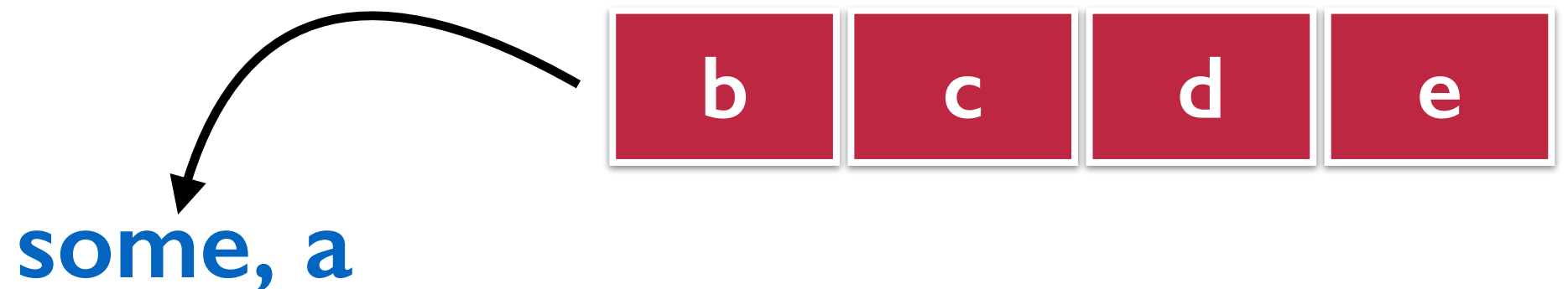


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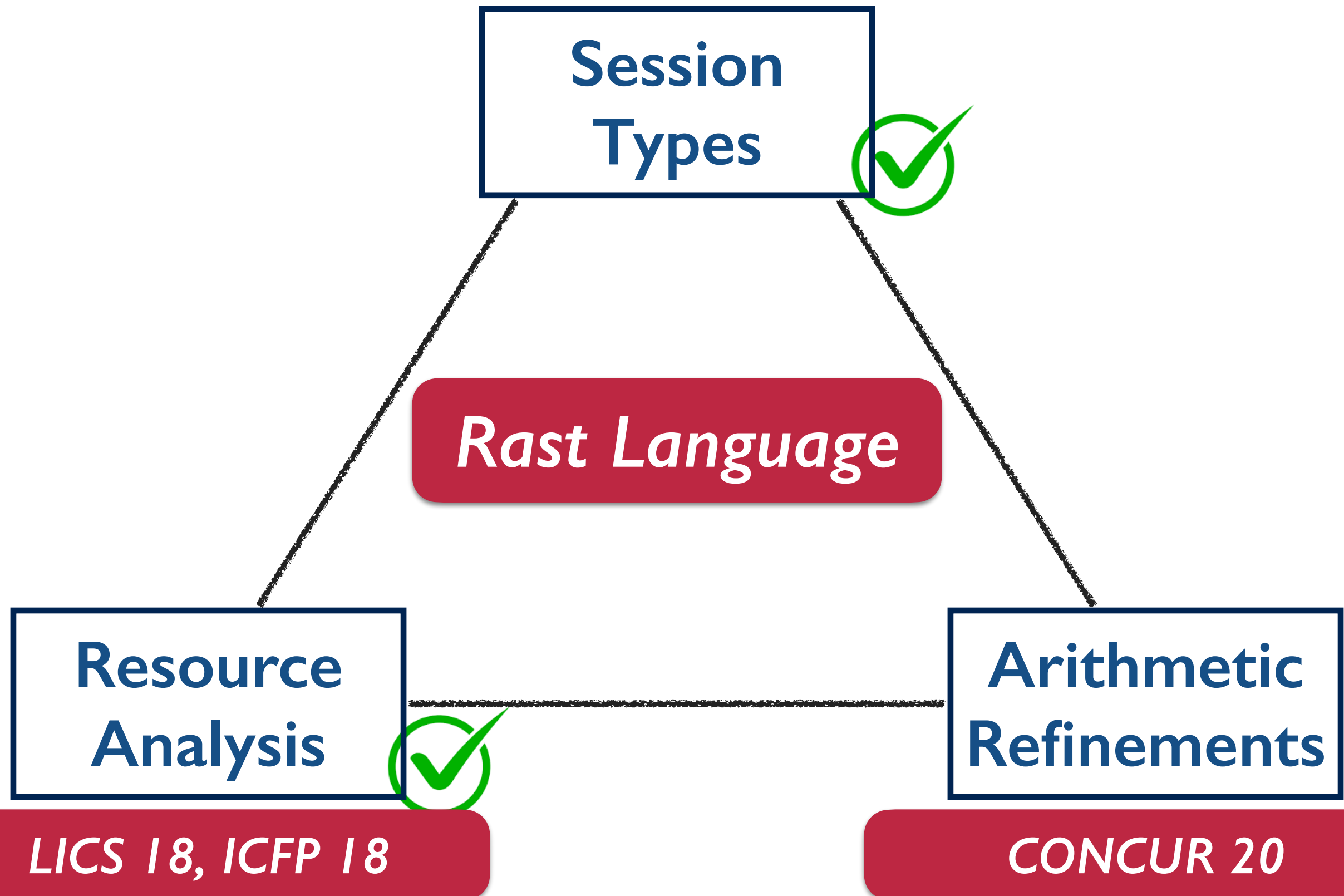
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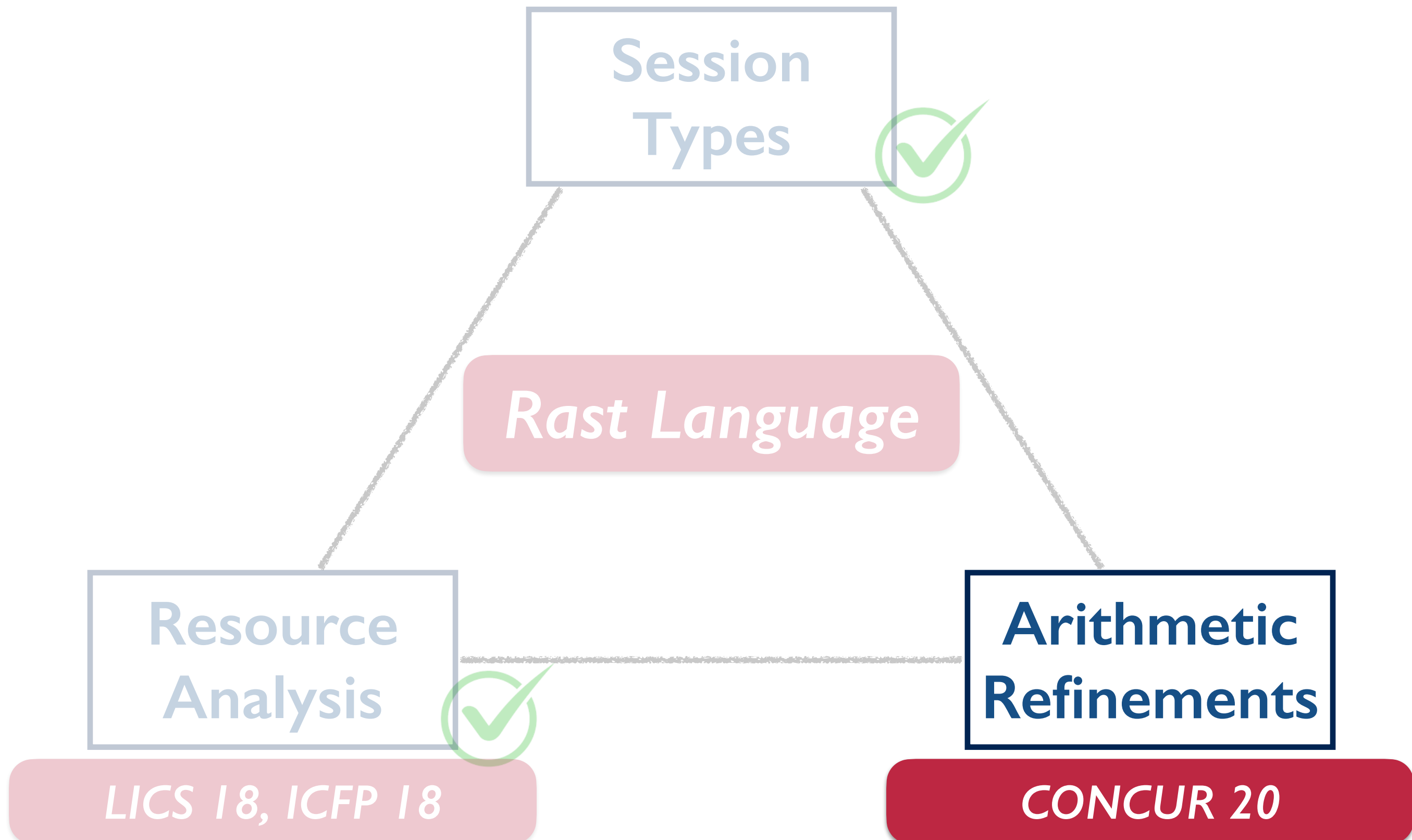
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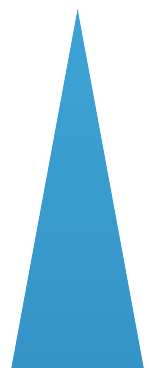
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Refined Queues in Rast

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Potential Annotations

- ▶ receive **2n** units of potential after 'ins'
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Ergometric Queue in Rast

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Evaluation

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arithmetic	69	143	8	0.353	1.325
integers	90	114	8	0.200	1.074
linlam	54	67	6	0.734	4.003
list	244	441	29	1.534	3.419
primes	90	118	8	0.196	1.646
segments	48	65	9	0.239	0.195
ternary	156	235	16	0.550	1.967
theorems	79	141	16	0.361	0.894
tries	147	308	9	1.113	5.283
Total	977	1632	109	5.280	19.806

The Rast Language

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- ▶ *Resource-Aware Session Types*: refinement session types with support for verifying *sequential* and *parallel* complexity bounds automatically
- ▶ *Lightweight verification* using refinements
- ▶ *Reconstruction*: constructs pertaining to refinement layer are inserted automatically
- ▶ *Evaluation*: implemented standard benchmarks
- ▶ *Availability*: implementation open-source on <https://bitbucket.org/fpfenning/rast/src/master/rast/>