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Catch Performance Regressions in eBPF with Rust

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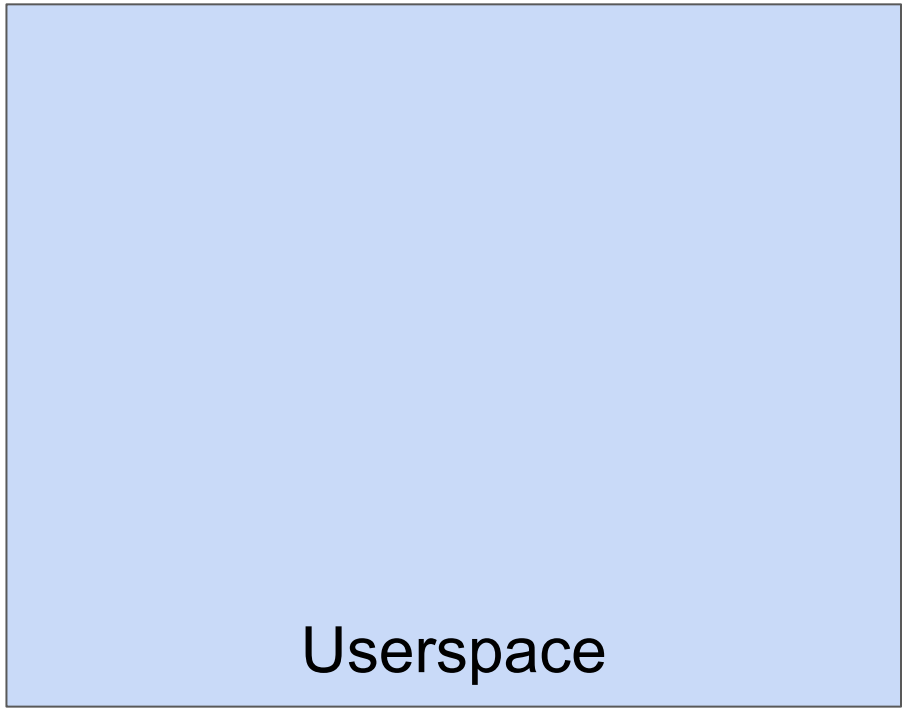

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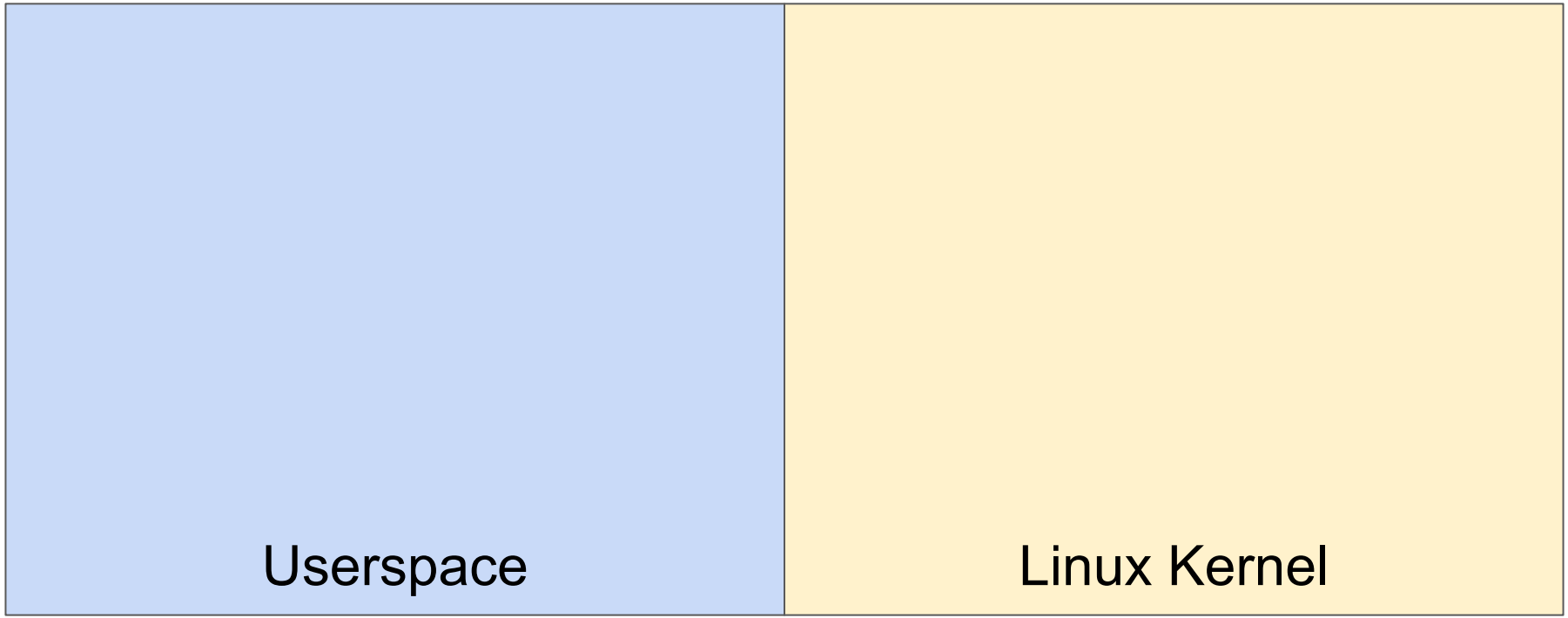

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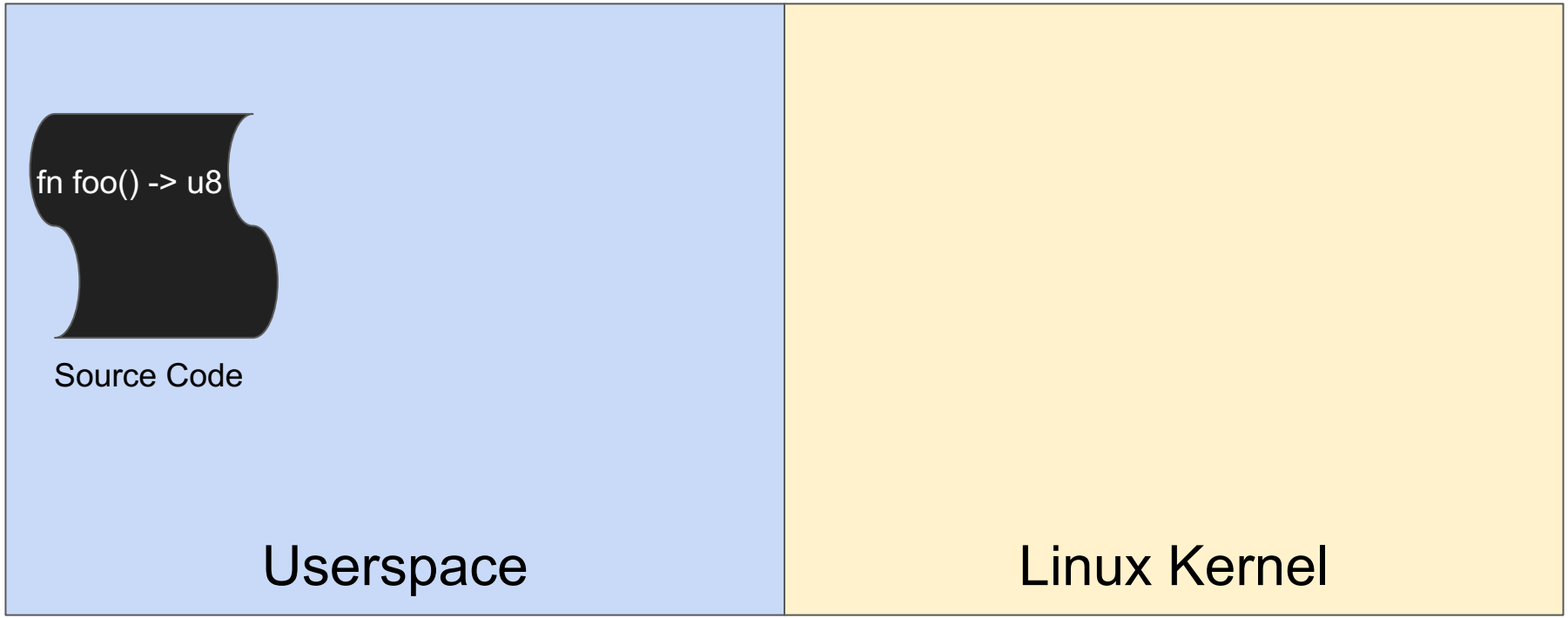

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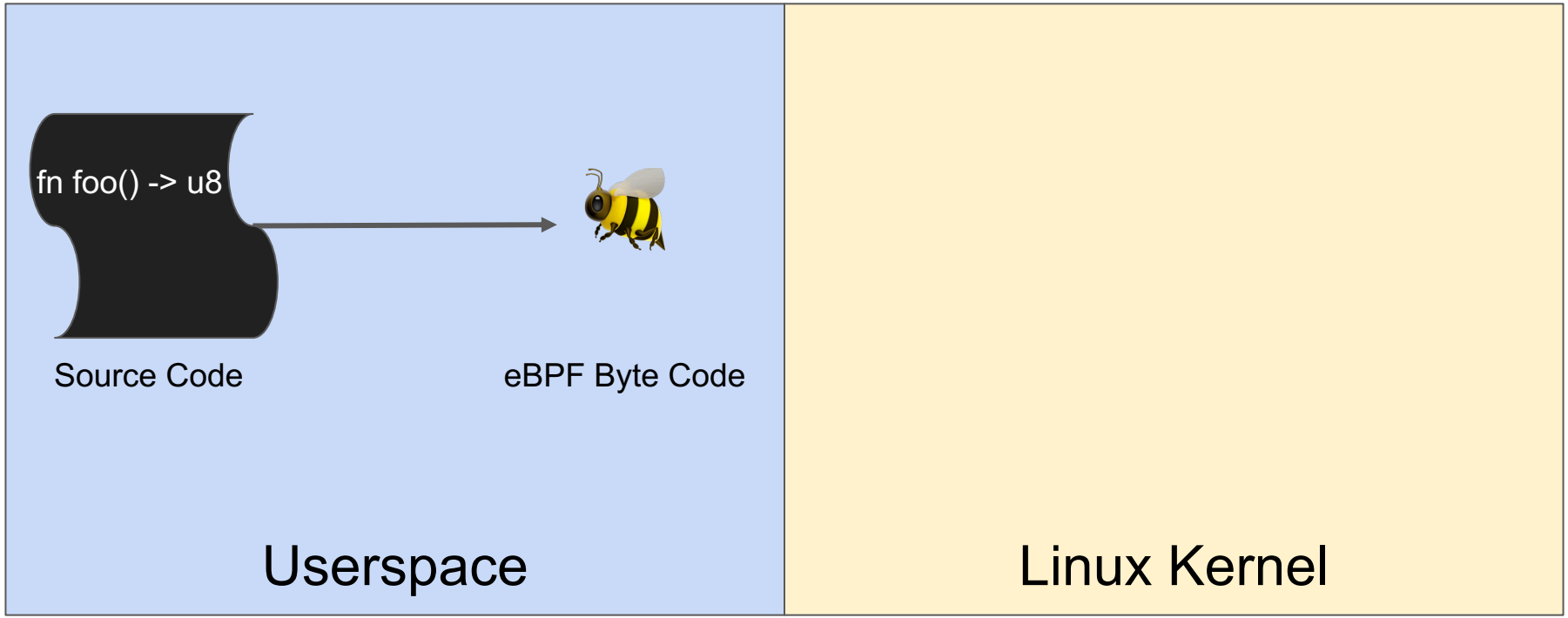

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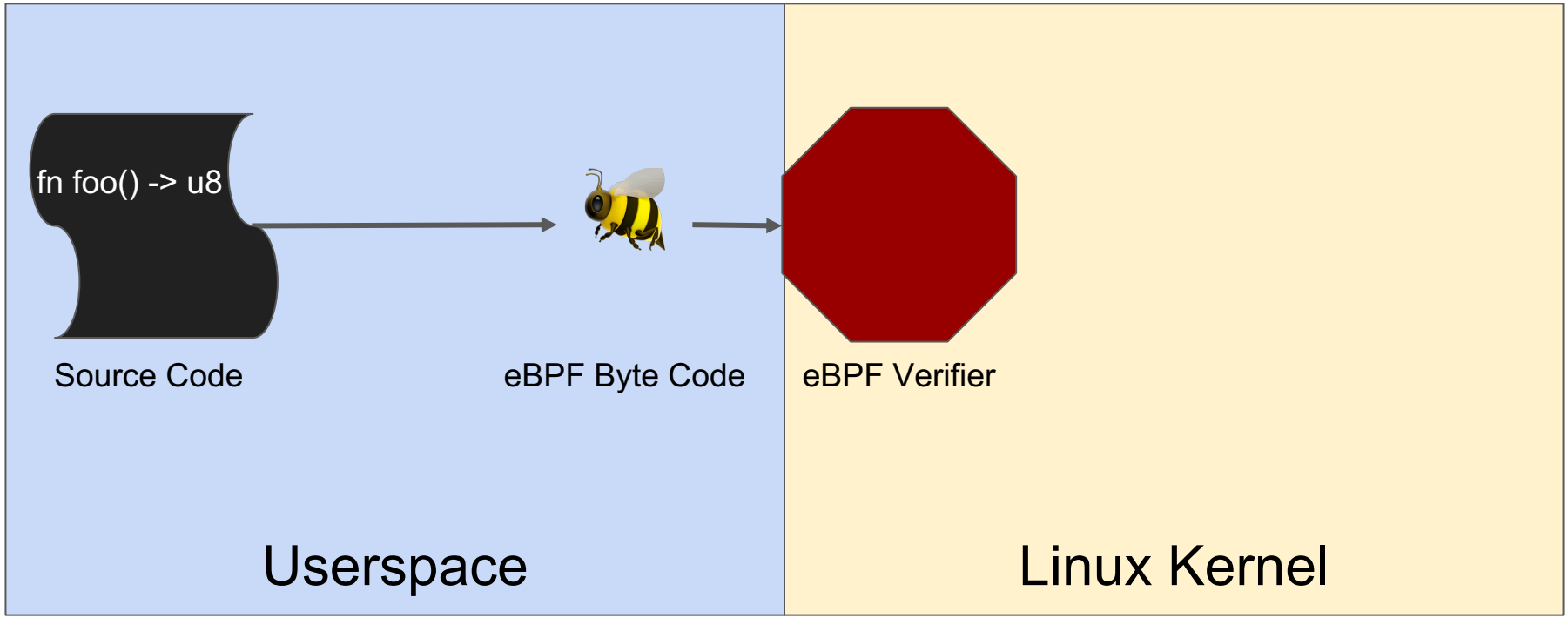
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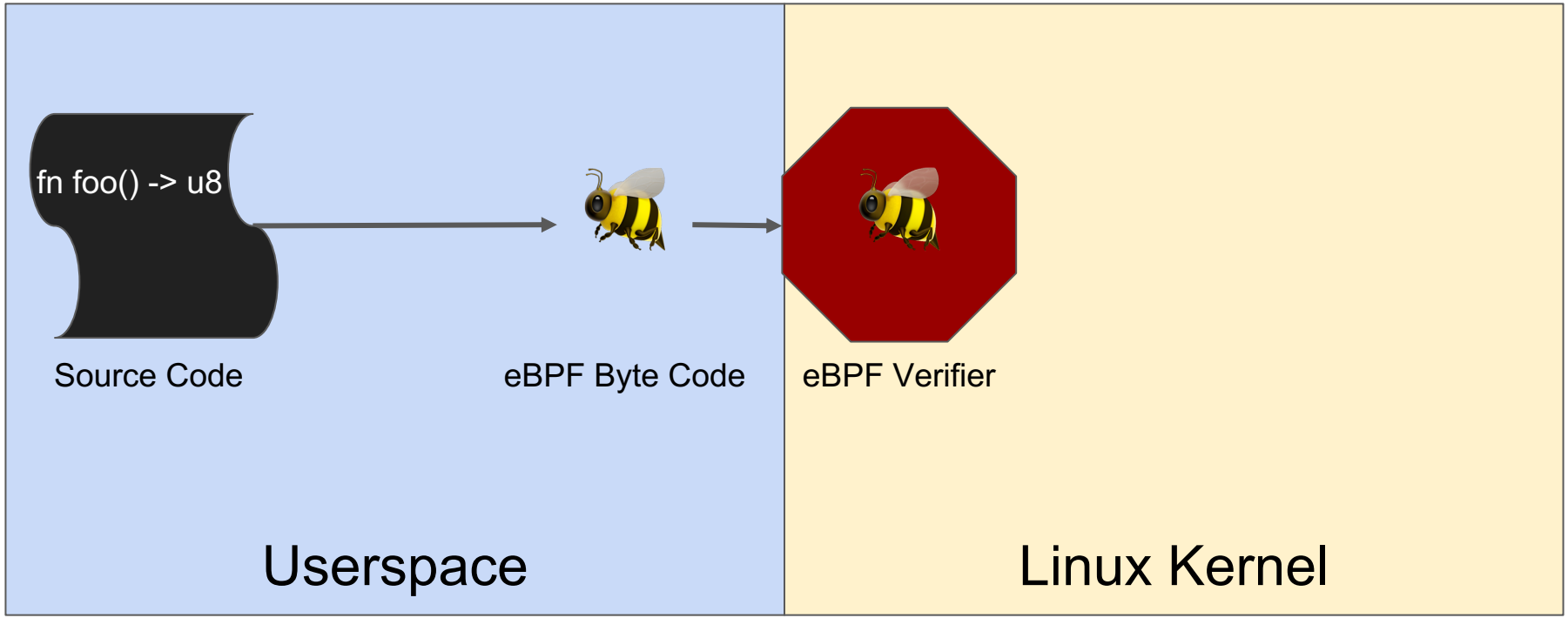
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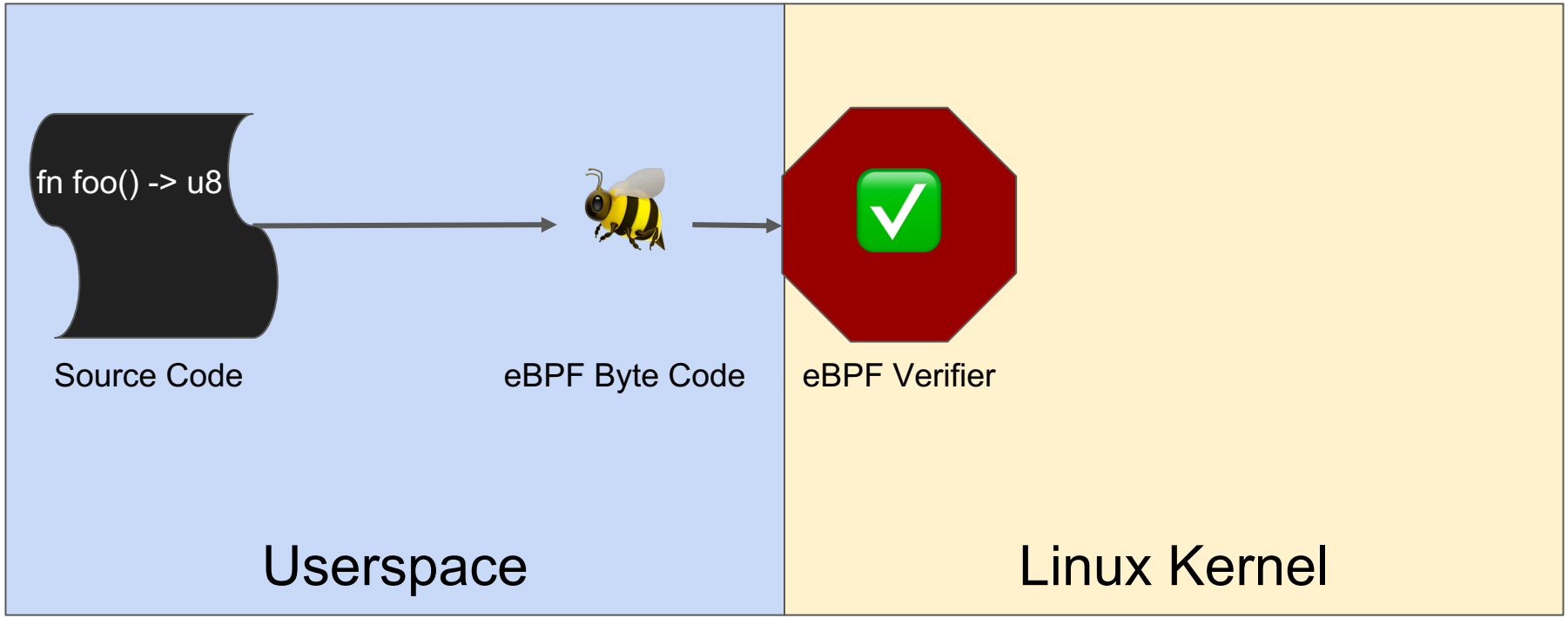
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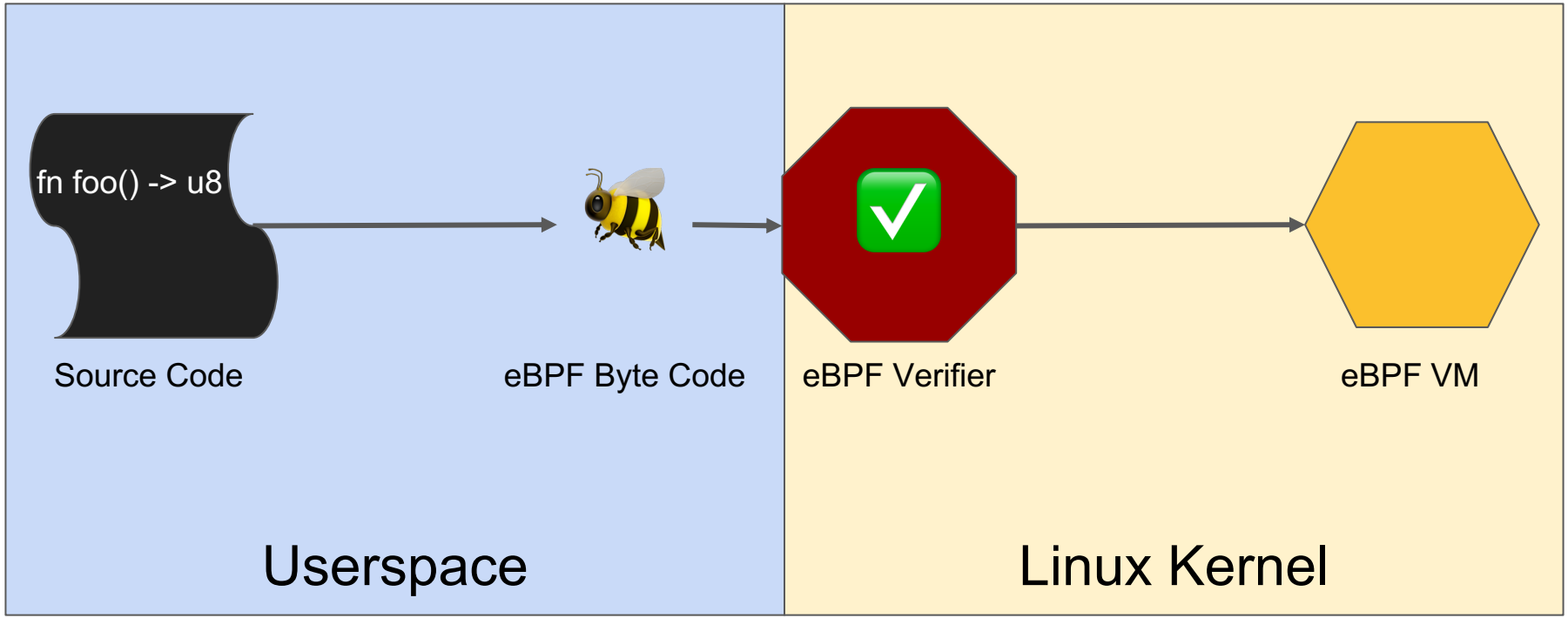
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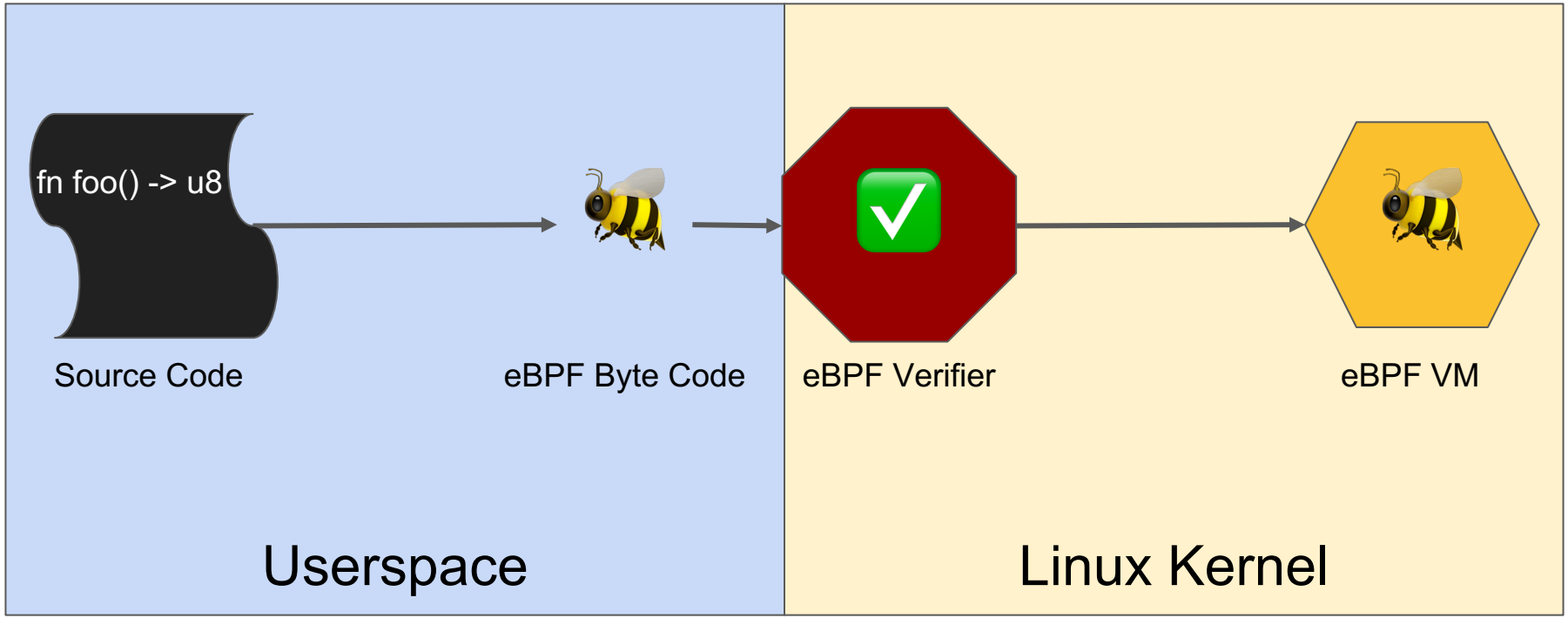
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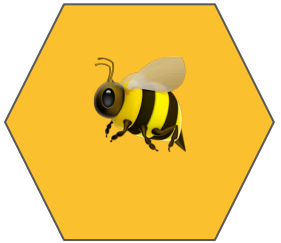

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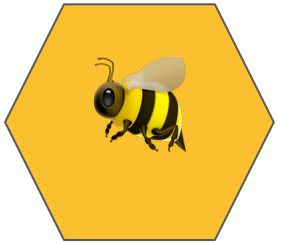

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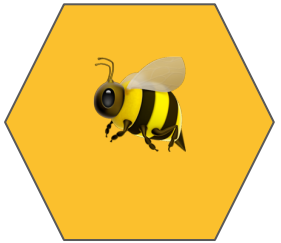

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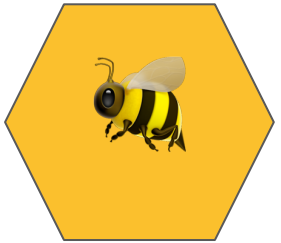

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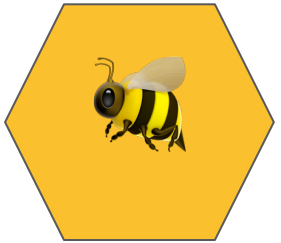

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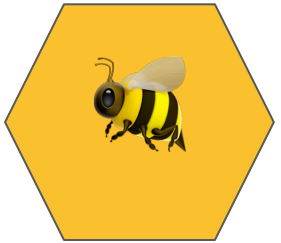

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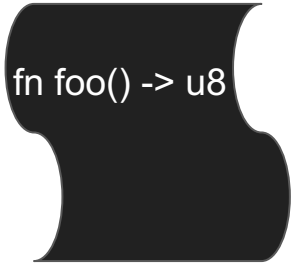

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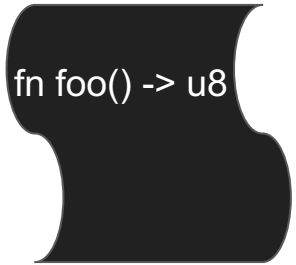

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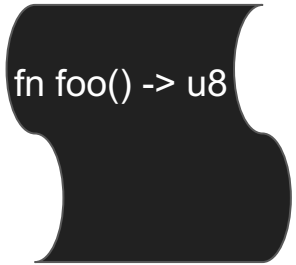

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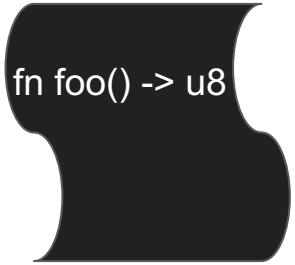

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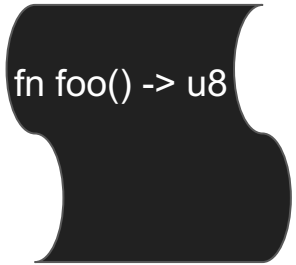

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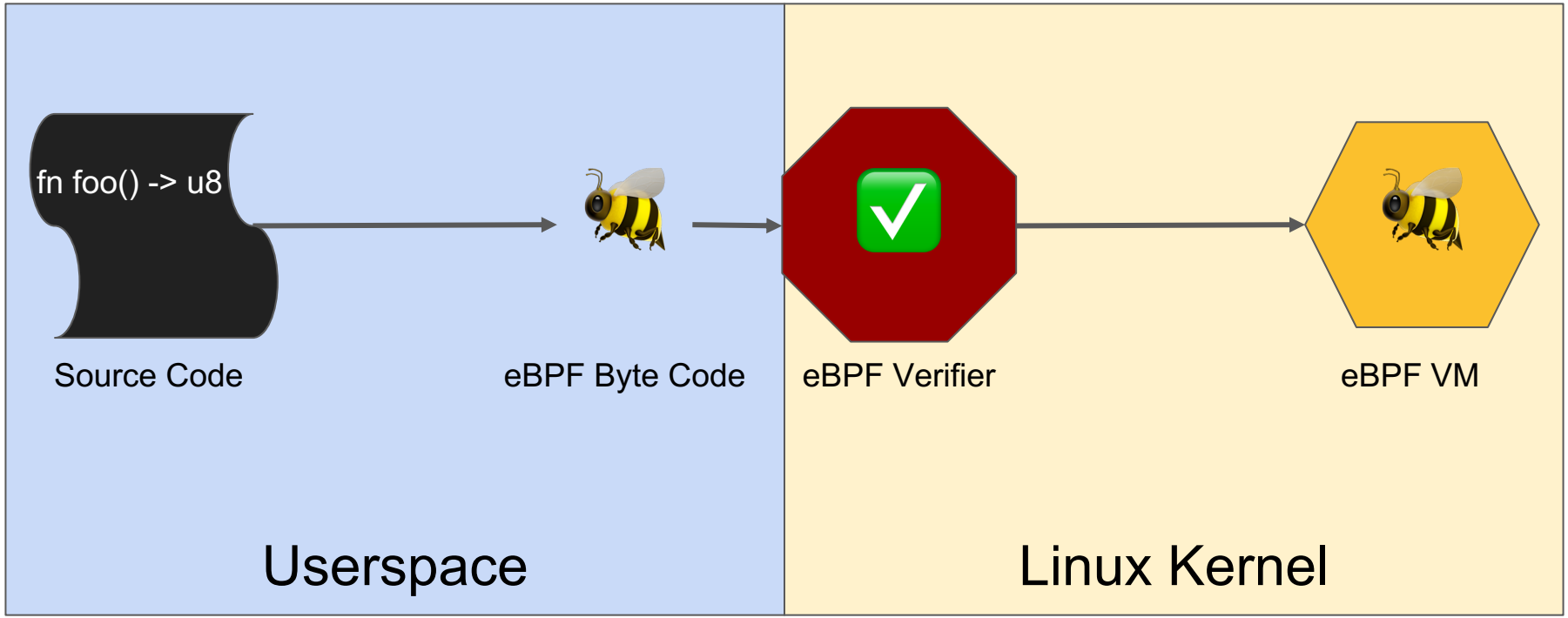
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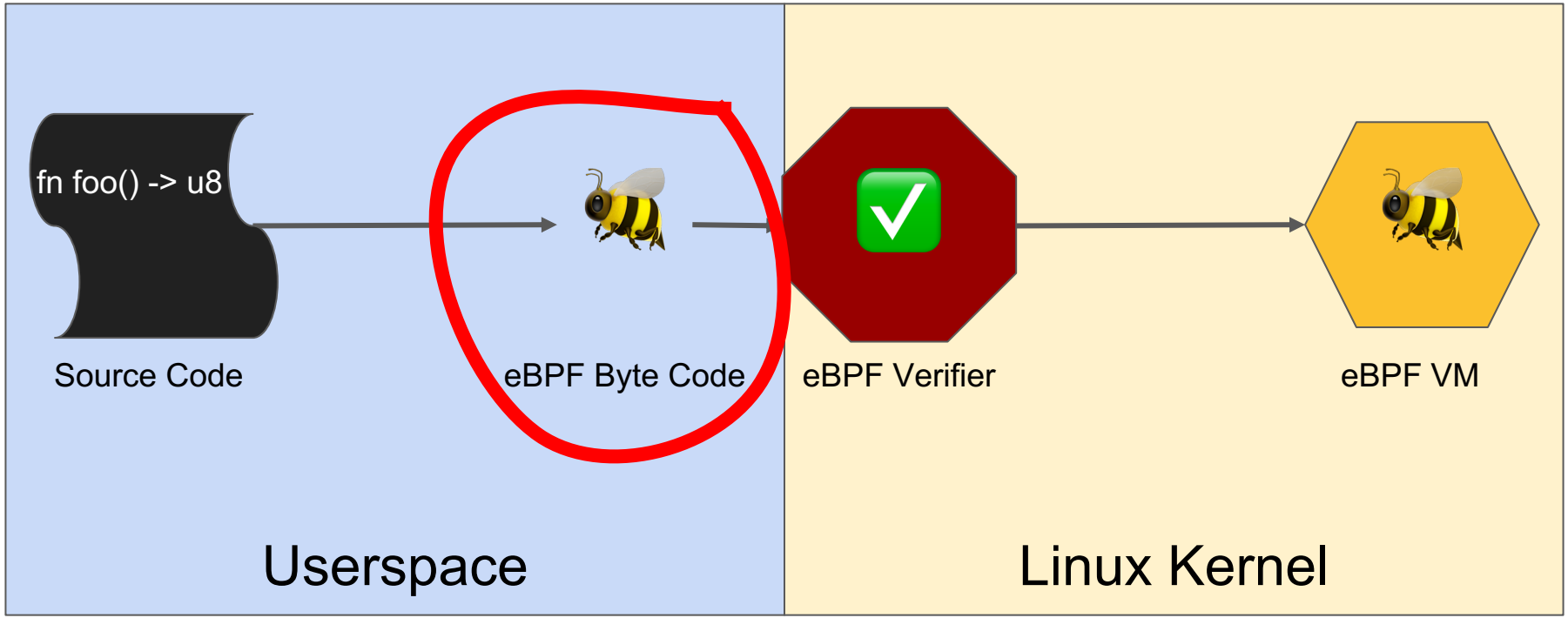
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eBPF: Up to 100ms of latency

Production: The most costly place to find bugs

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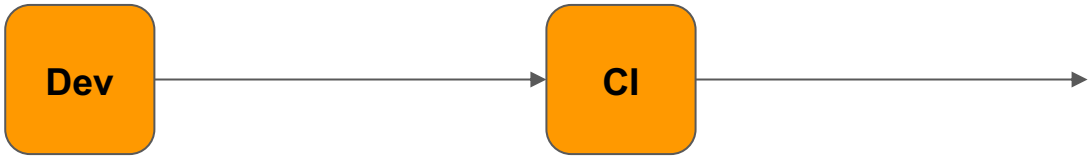

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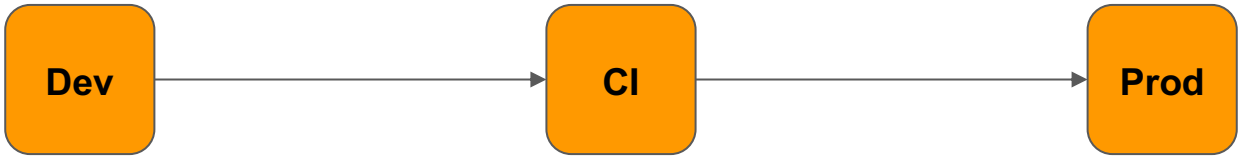

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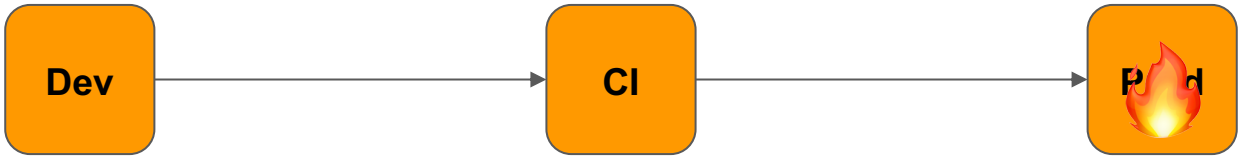

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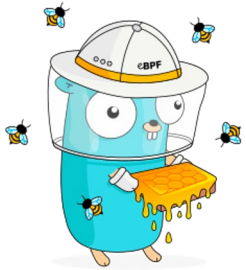

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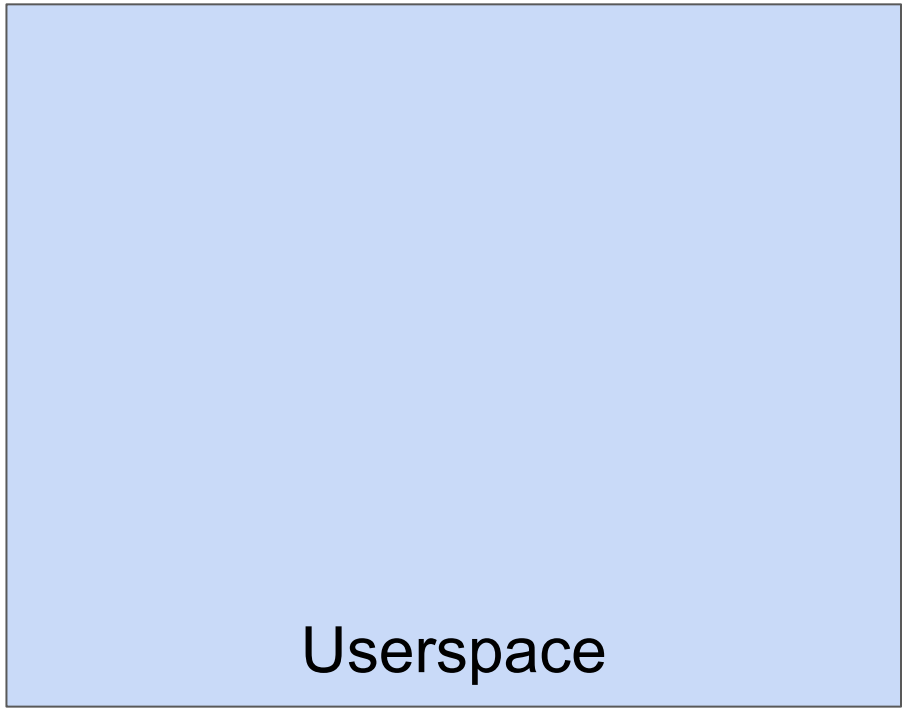

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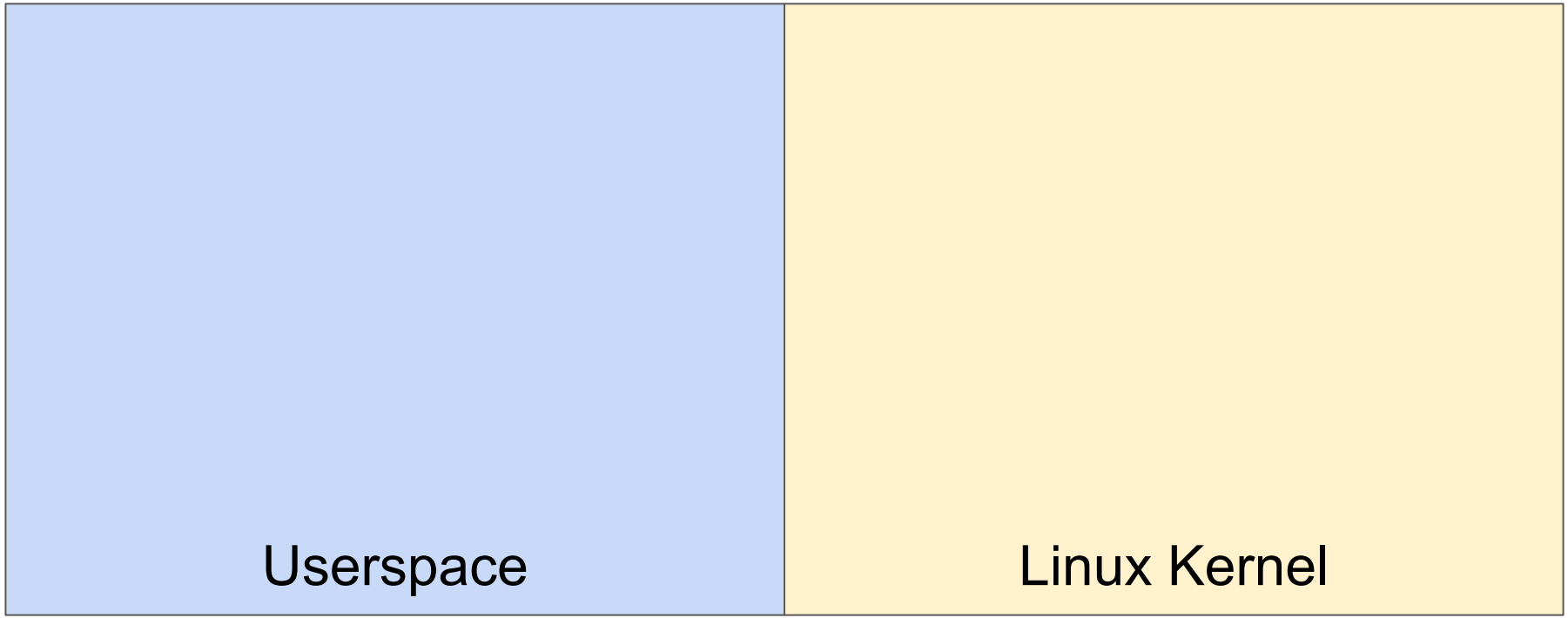

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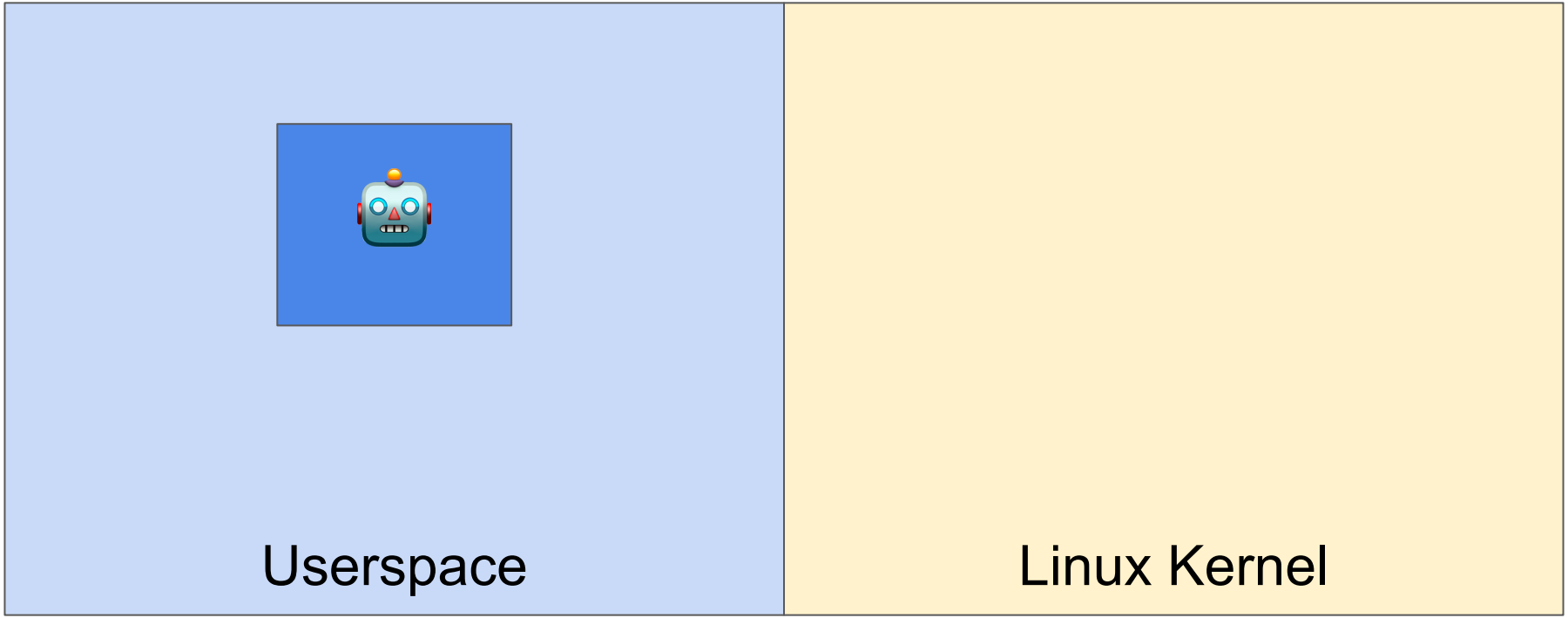

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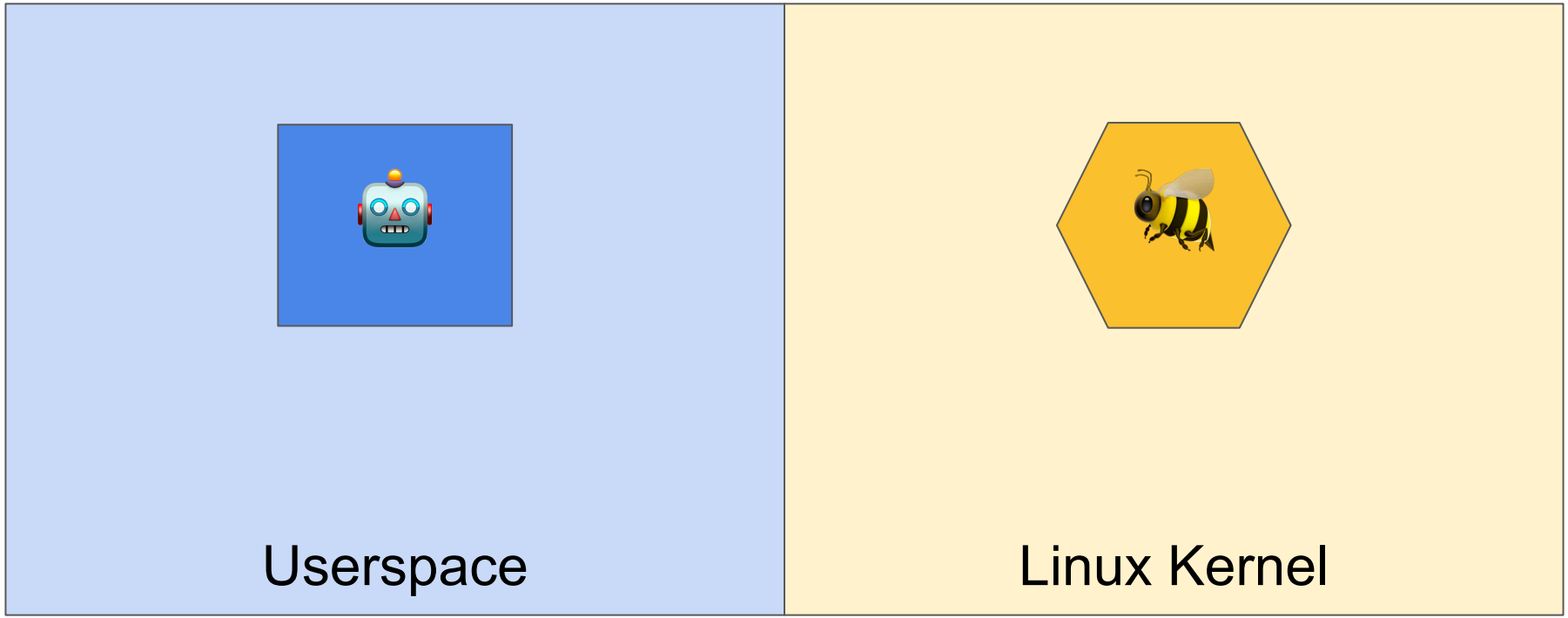

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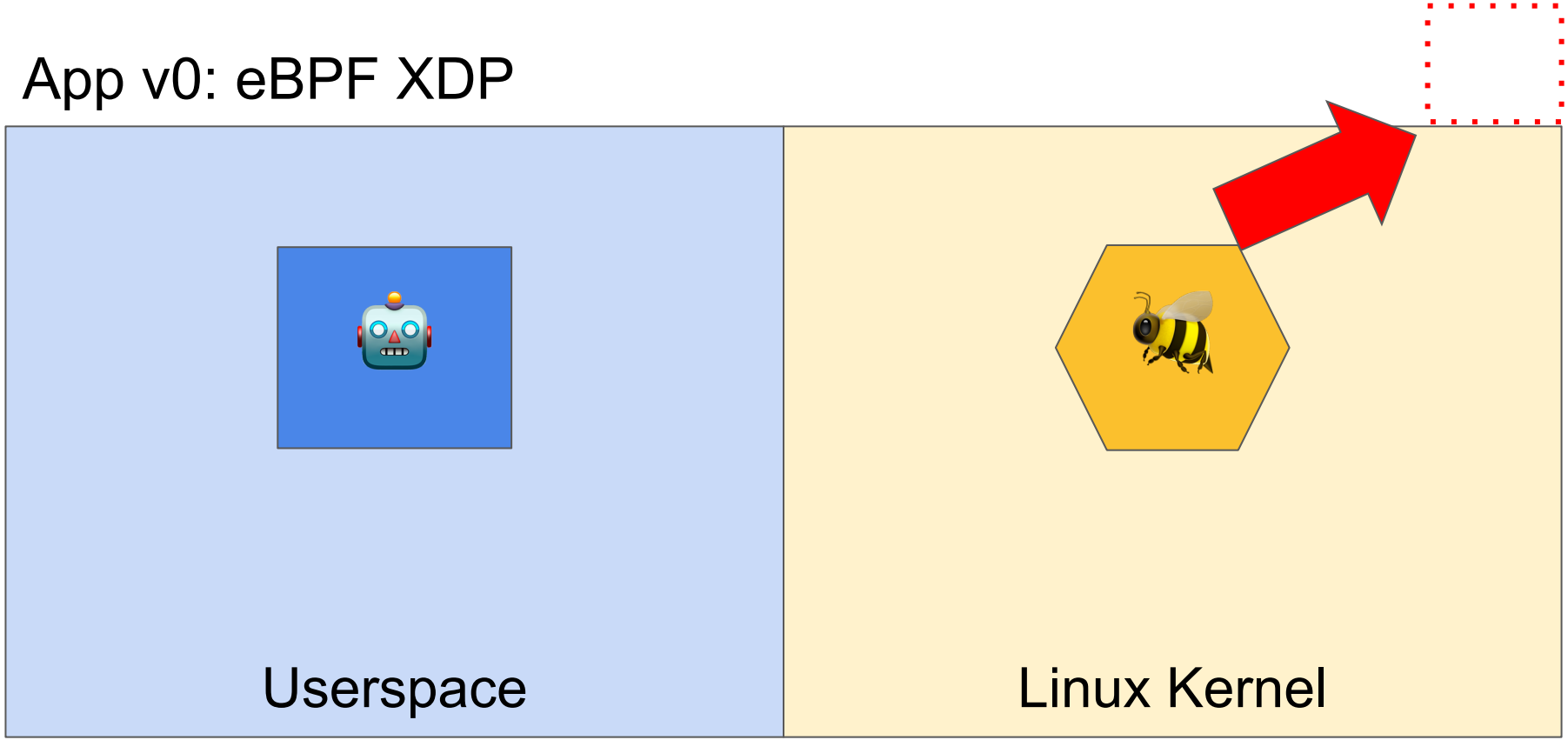

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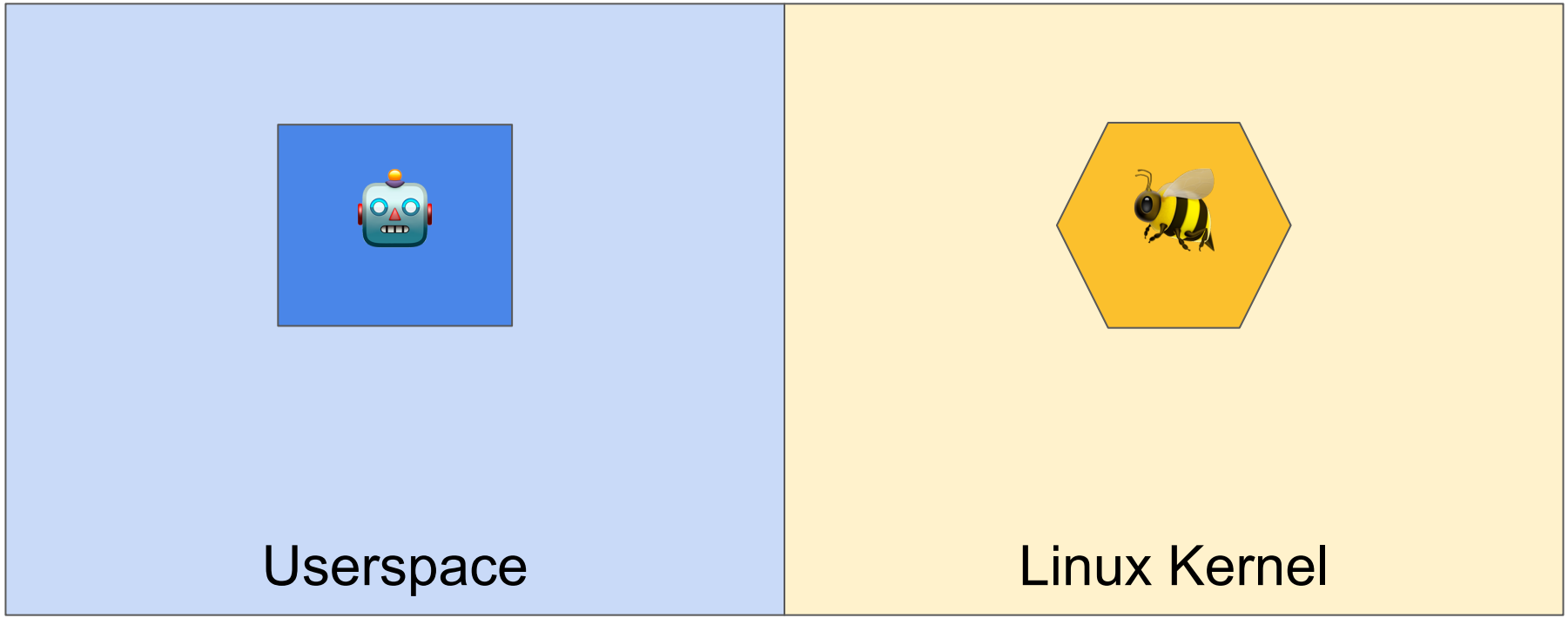

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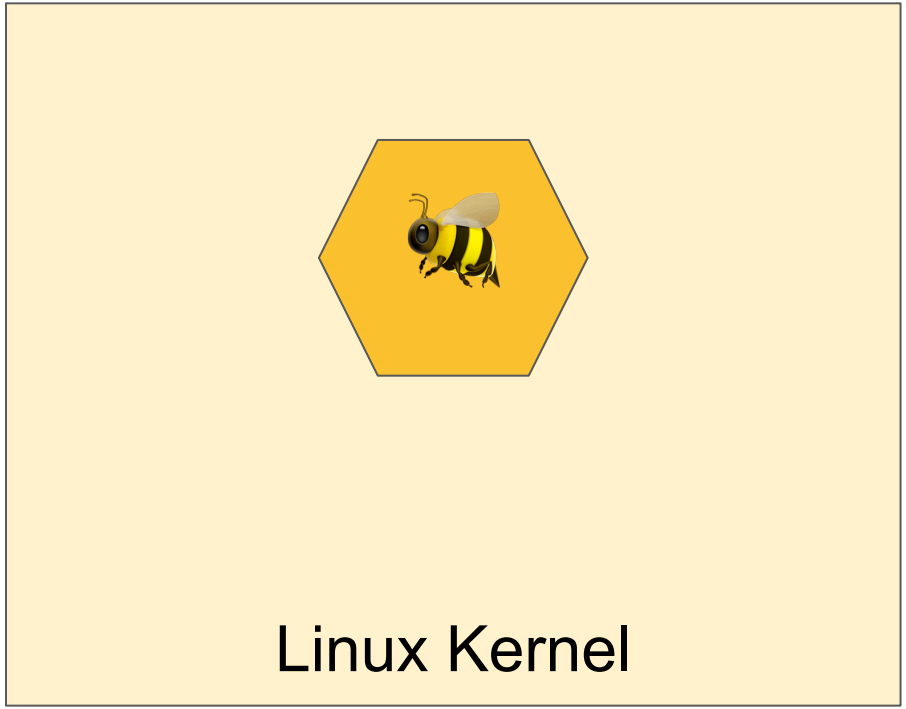

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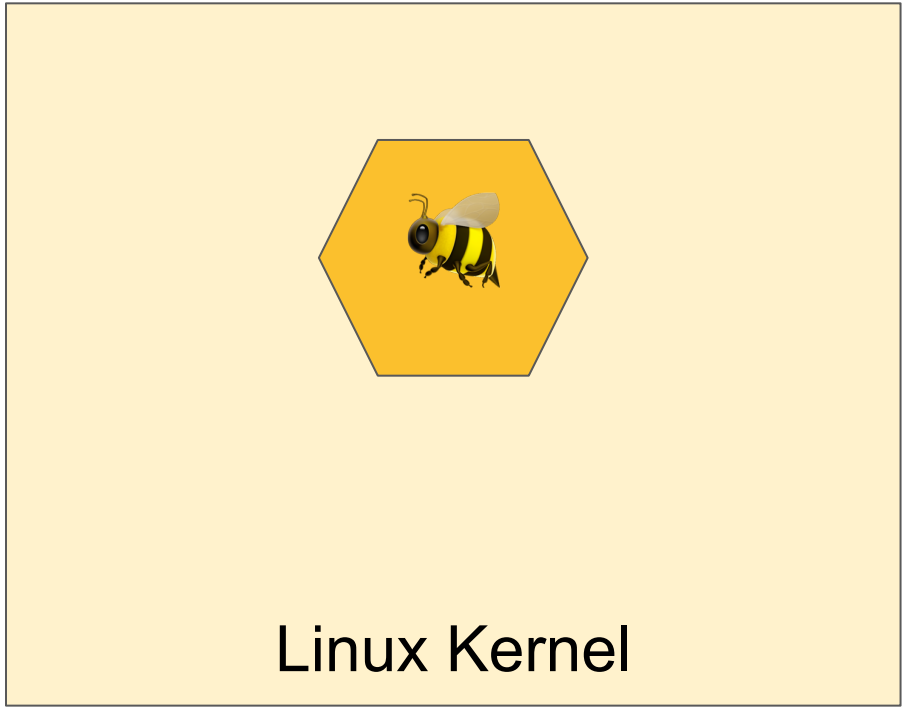

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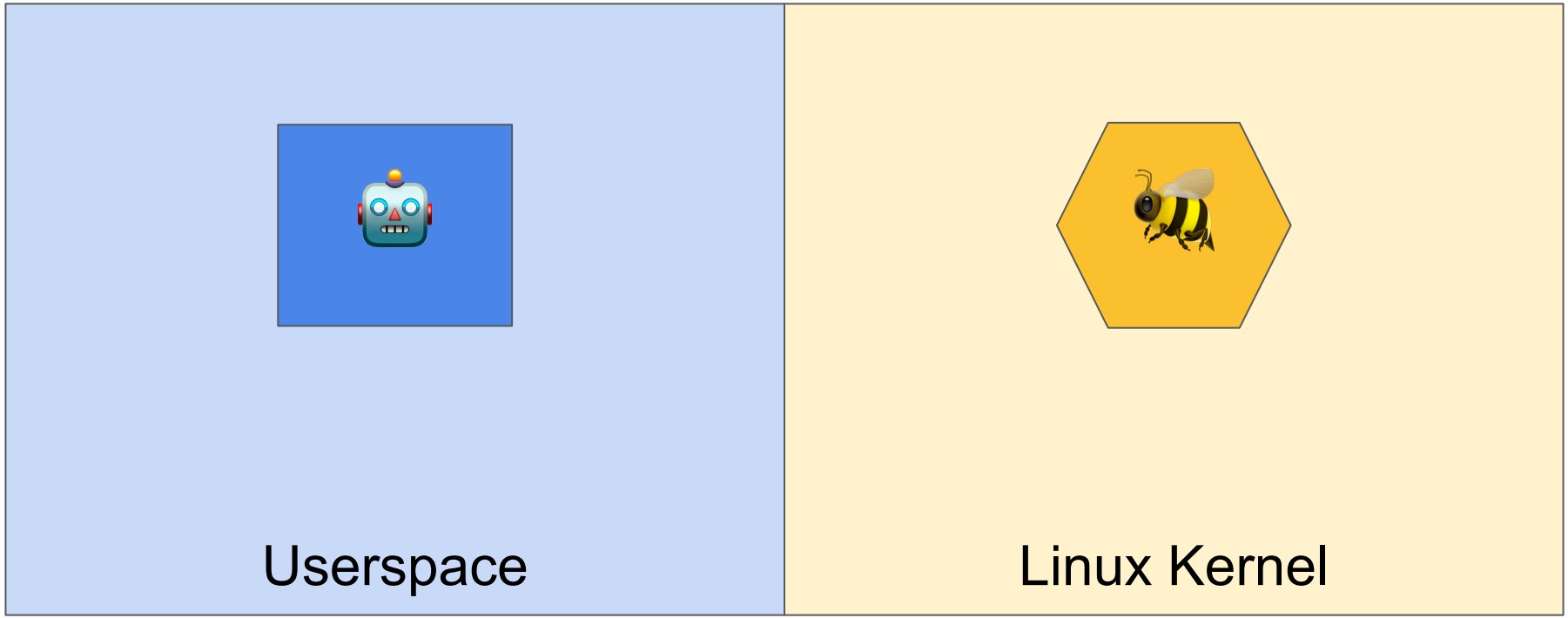

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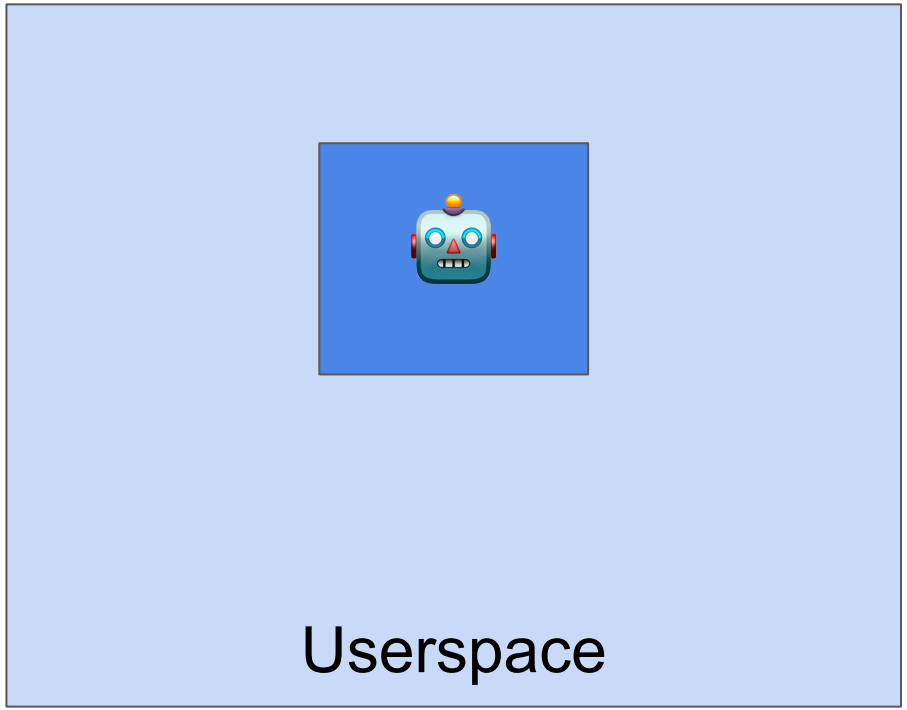

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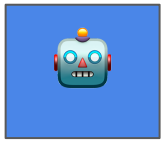

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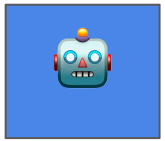

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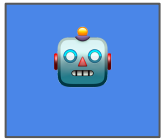

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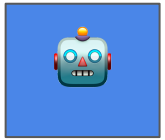

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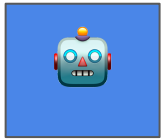

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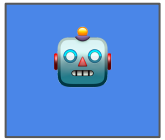

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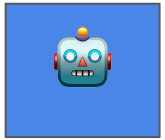

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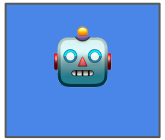

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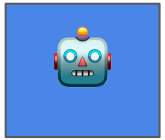

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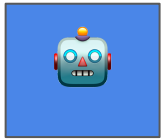

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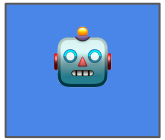

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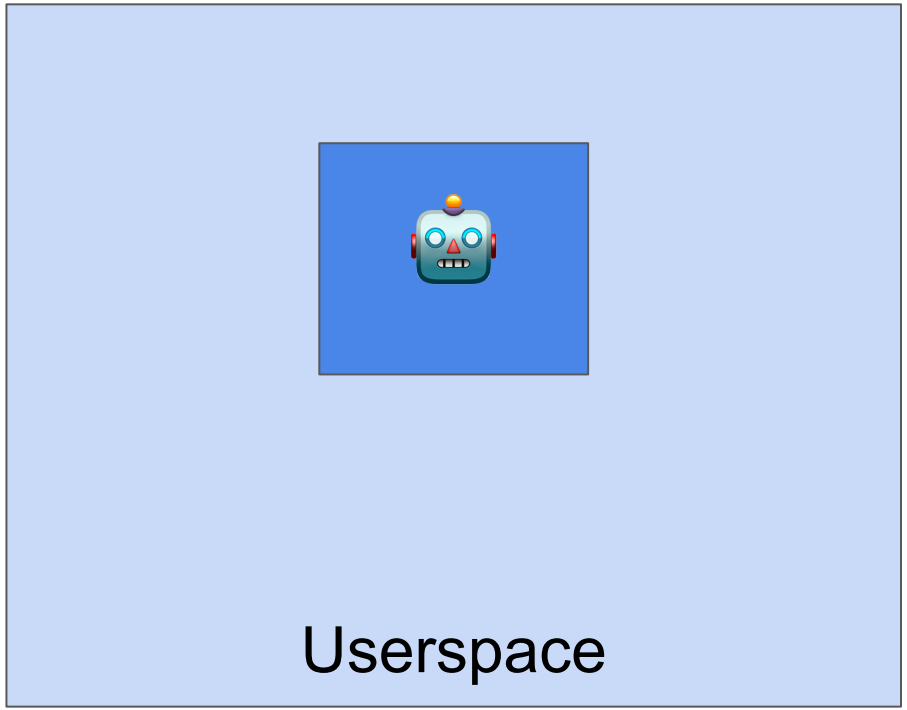

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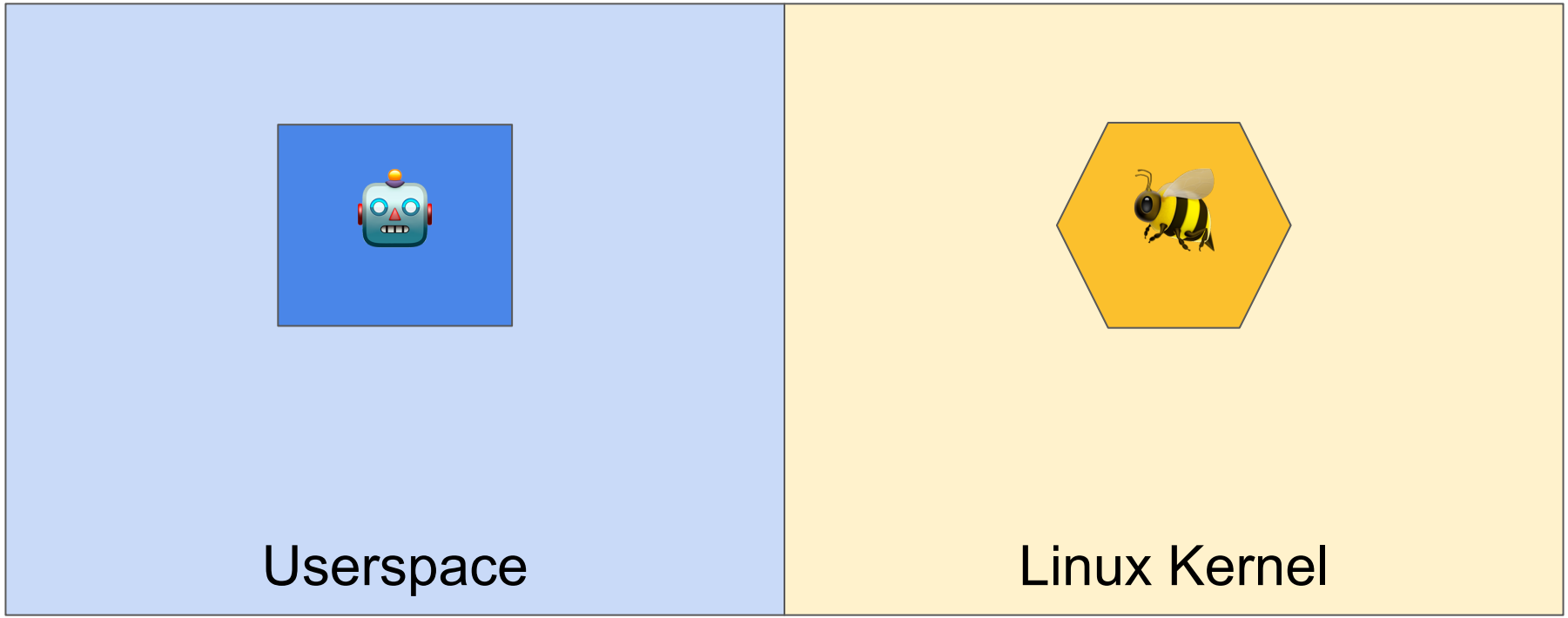

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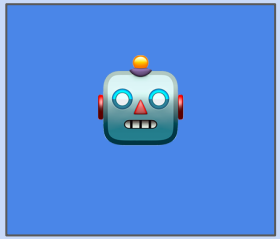

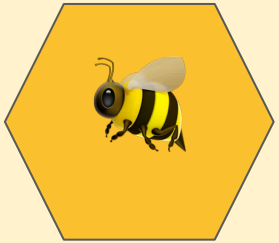

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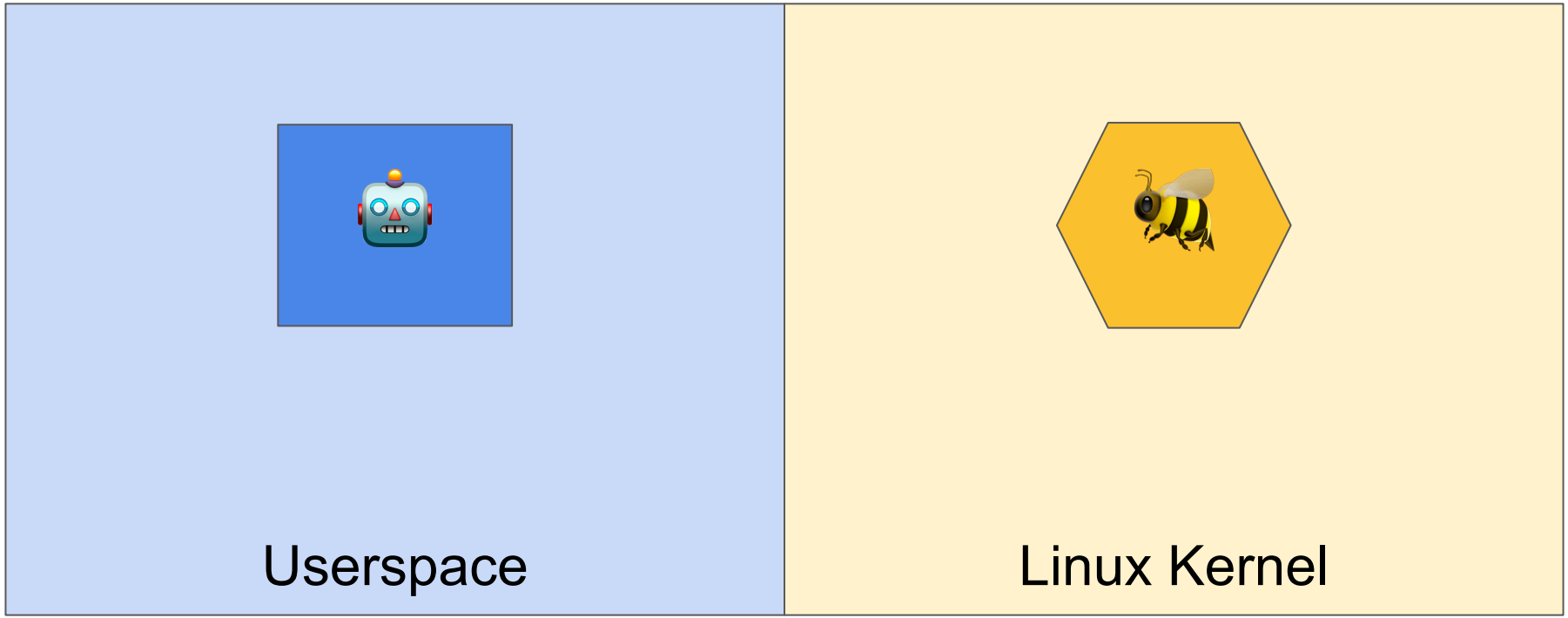

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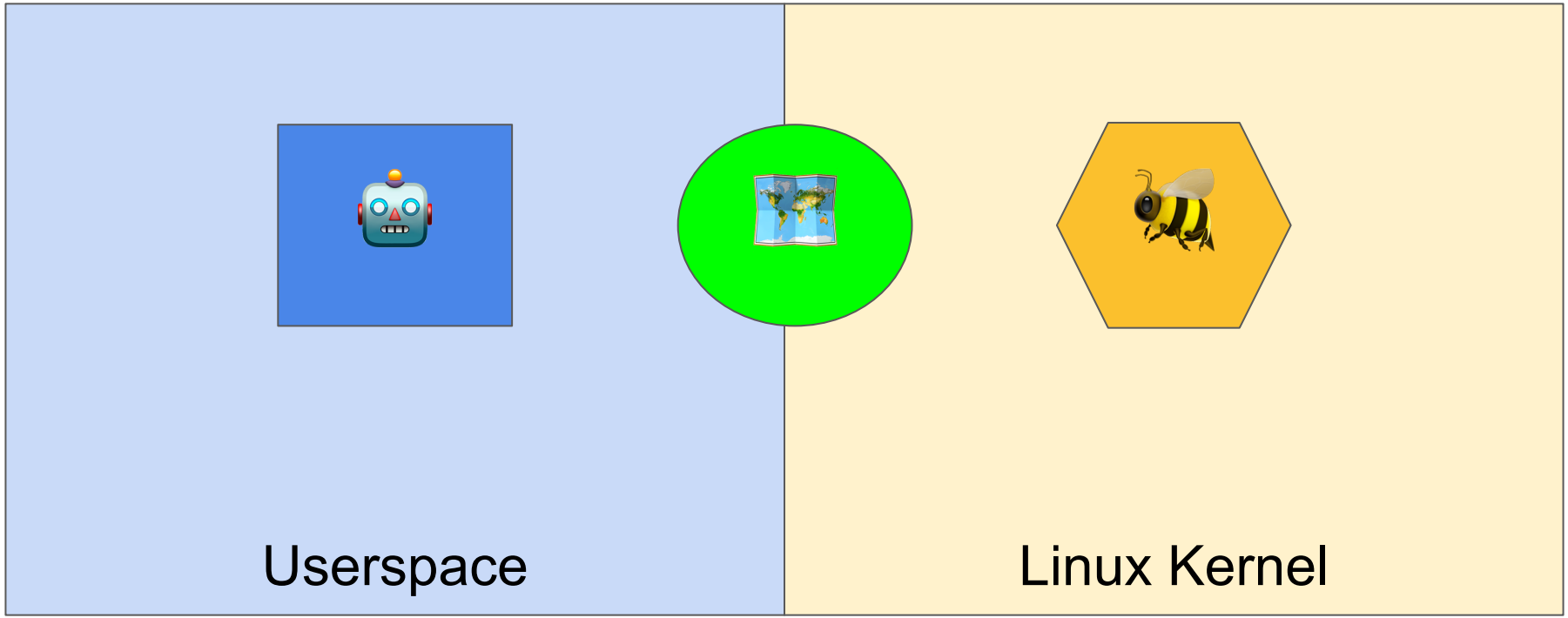

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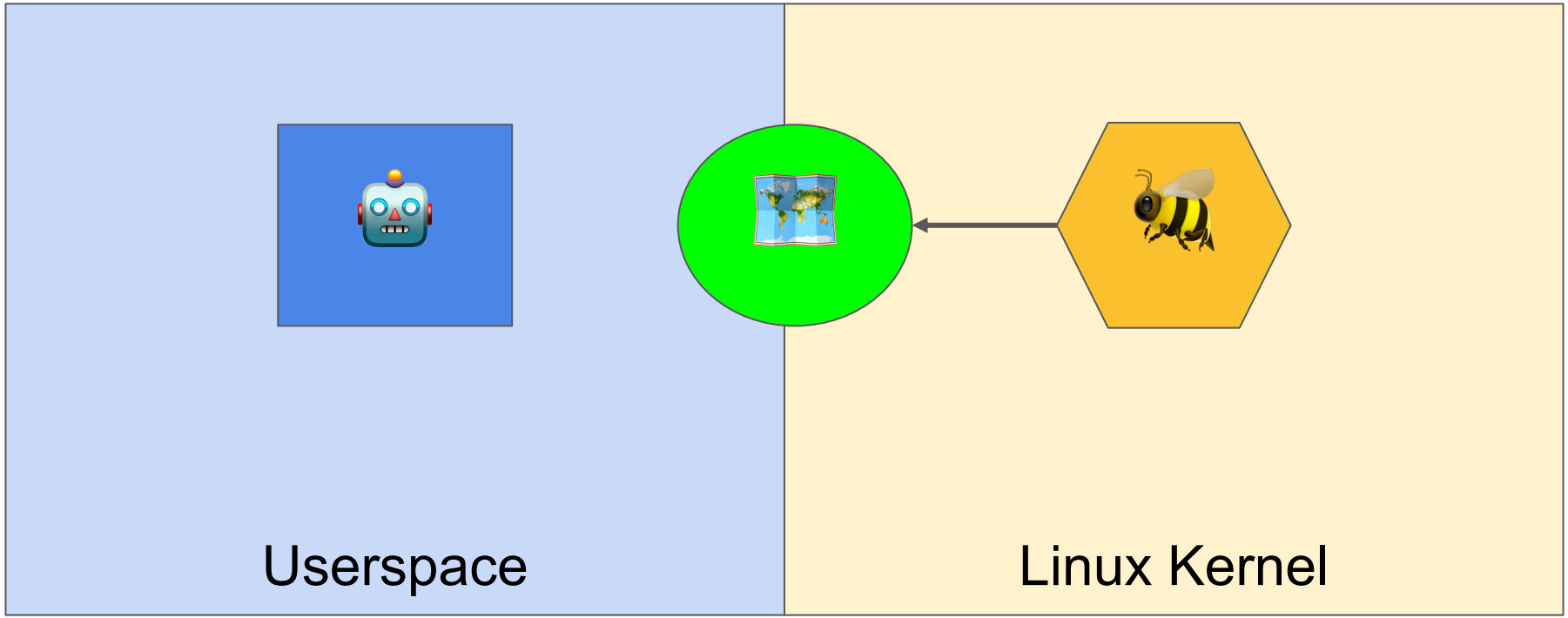

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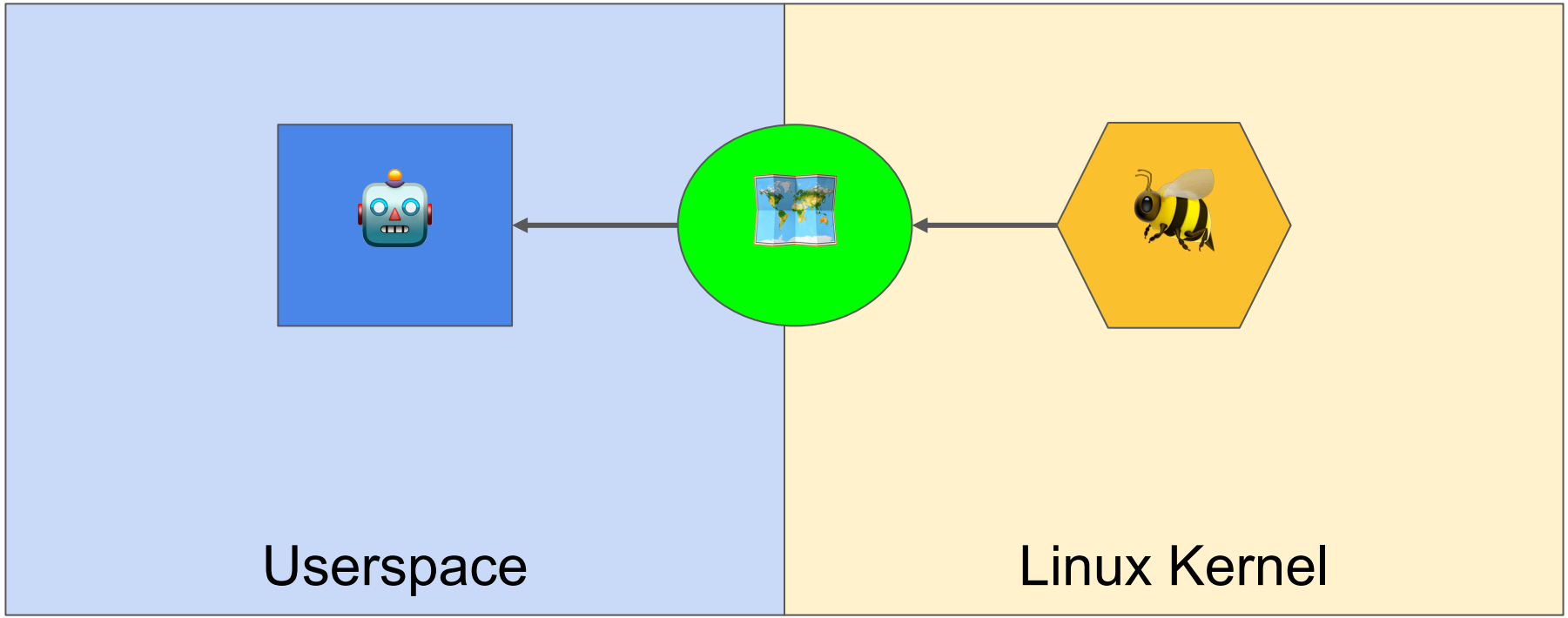

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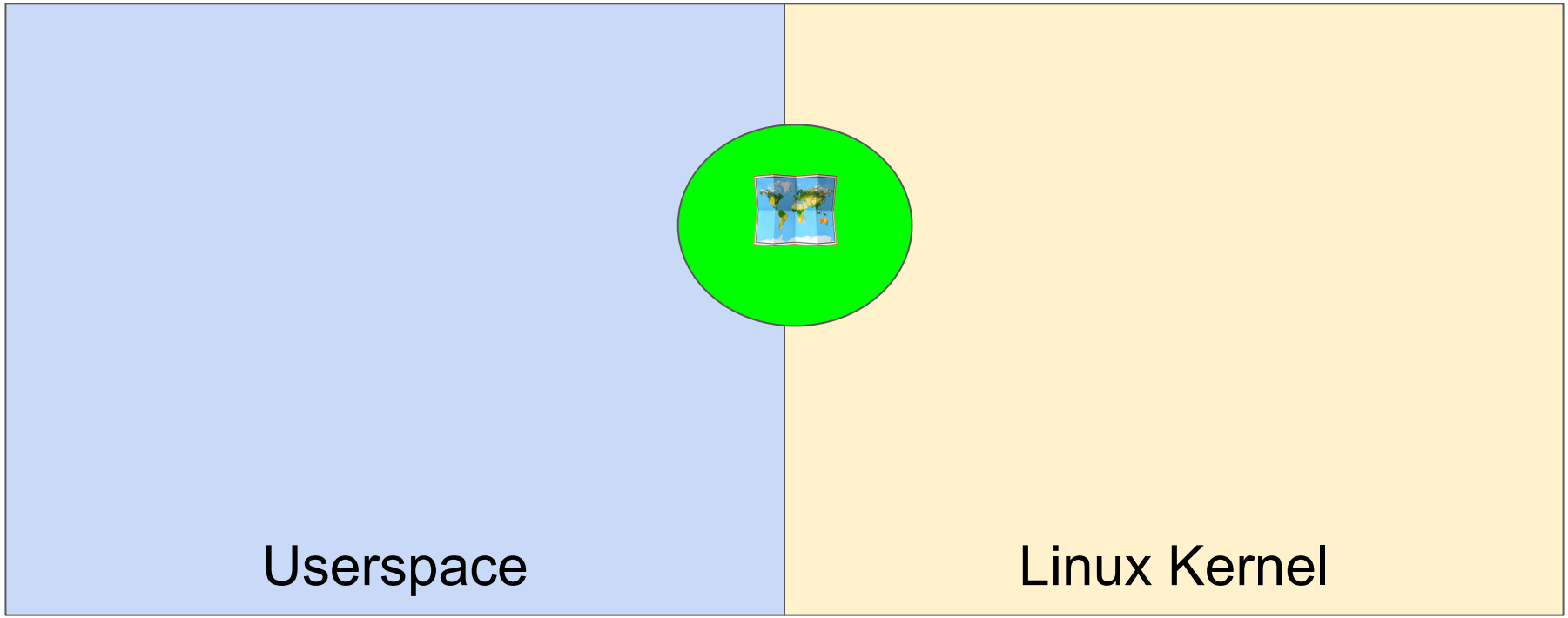

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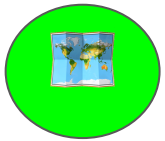

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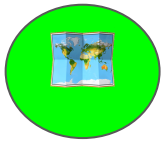

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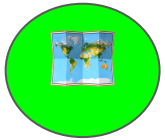

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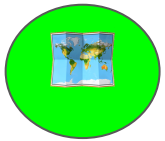

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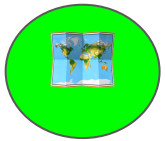

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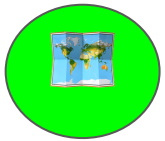

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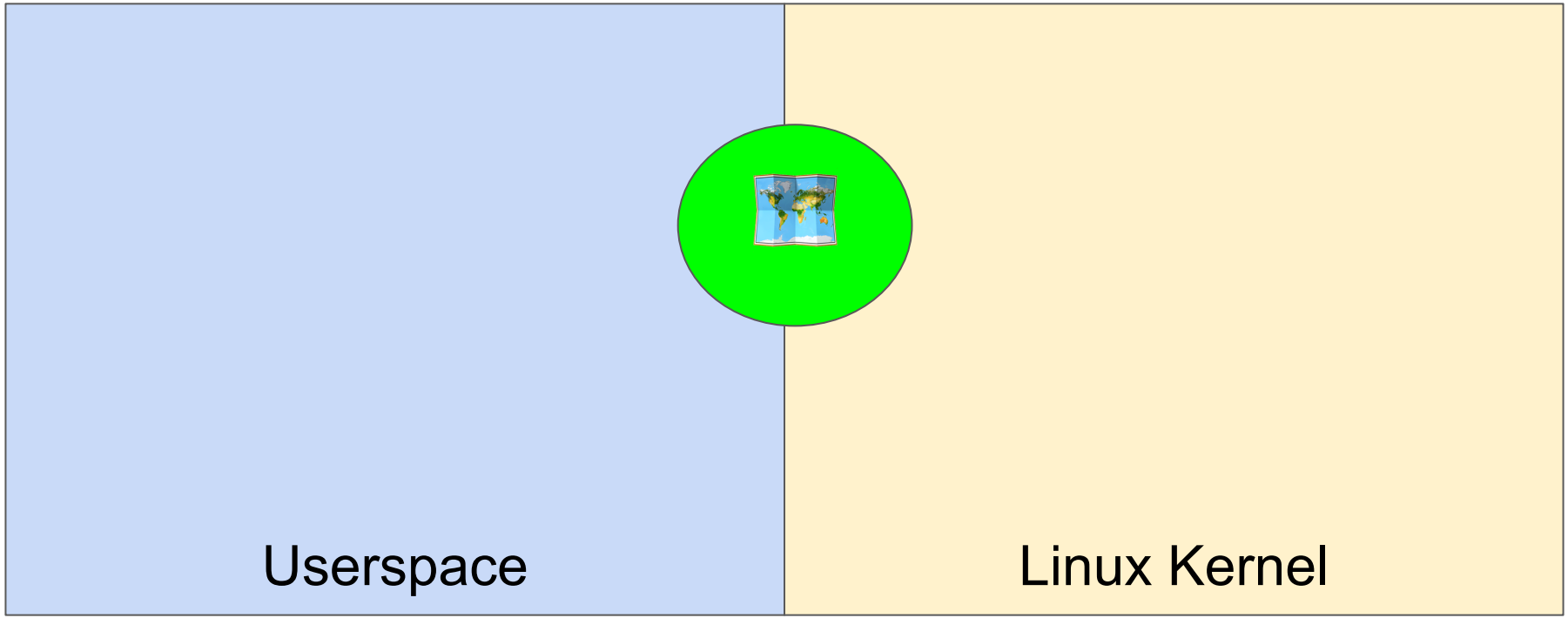

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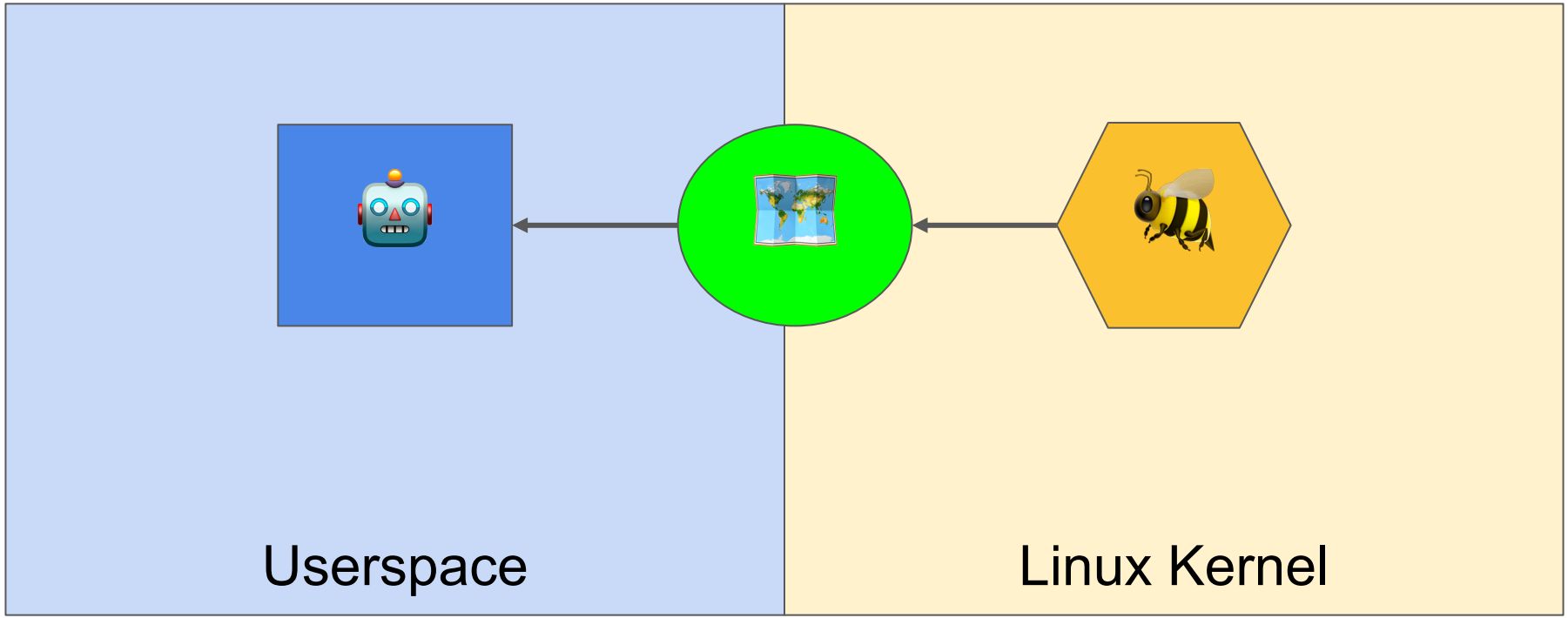

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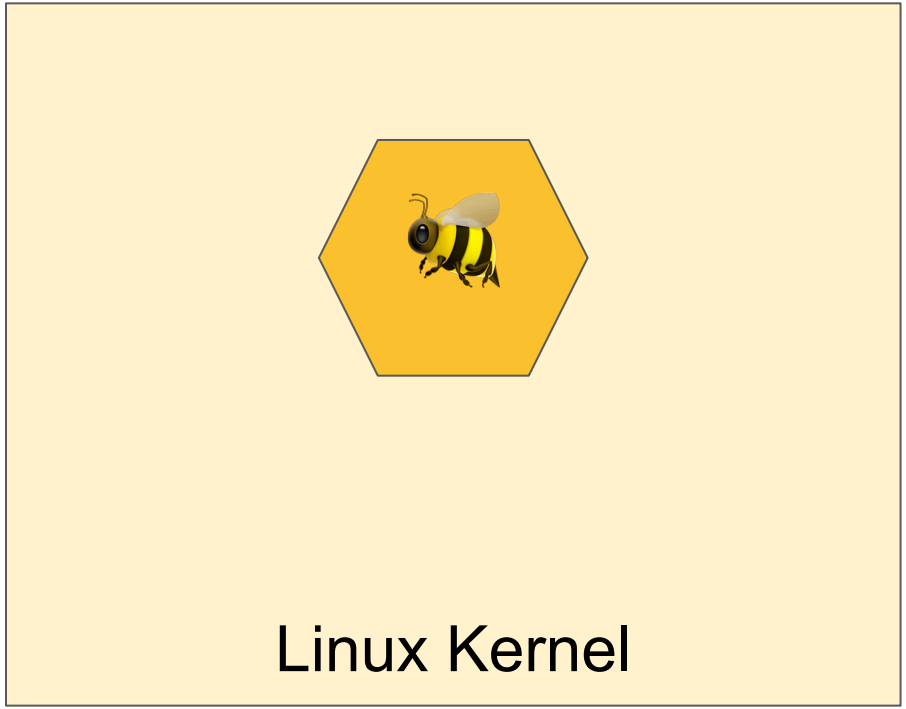

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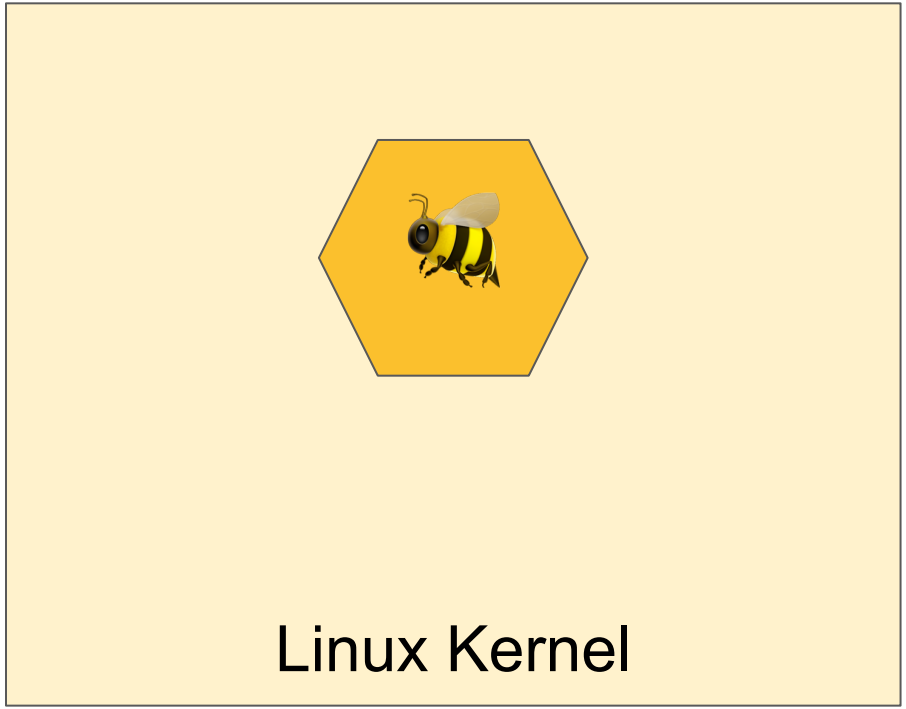

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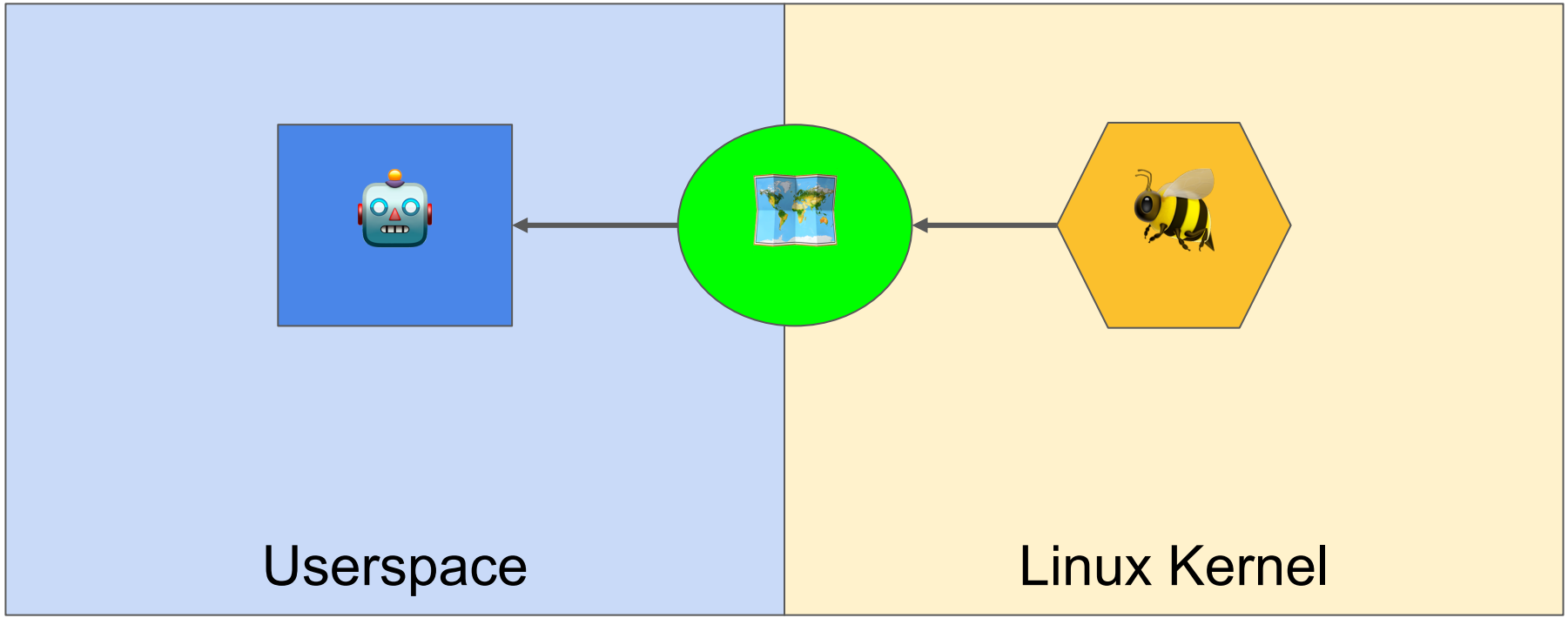

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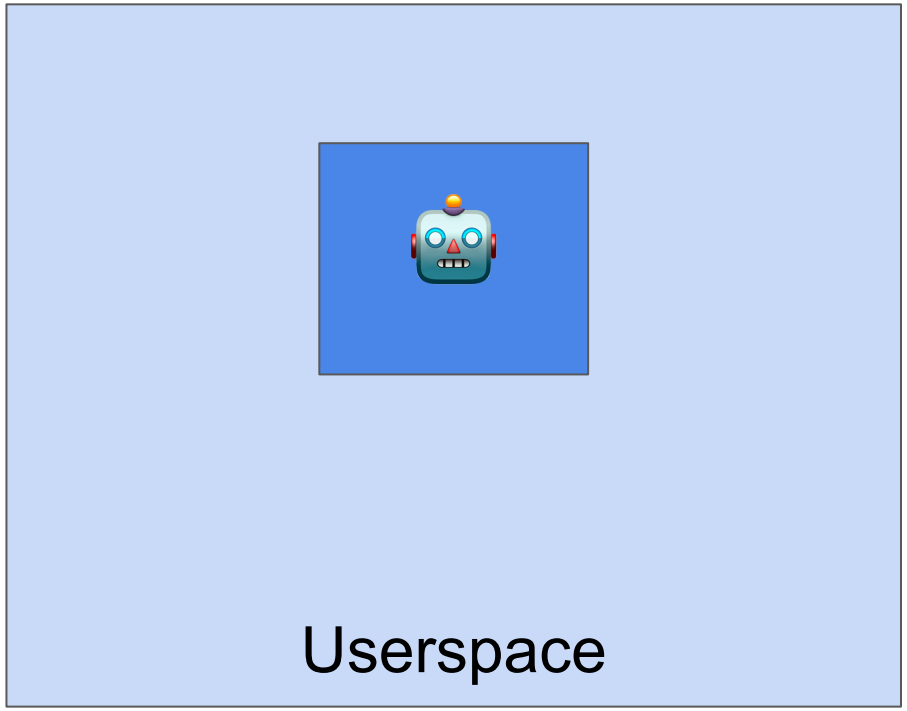

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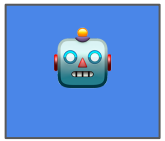

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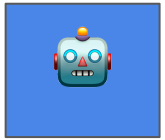

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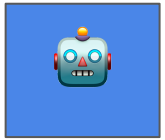

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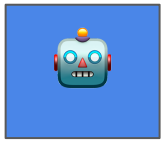

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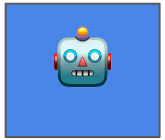

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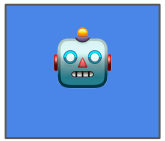

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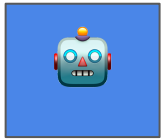

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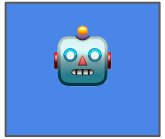

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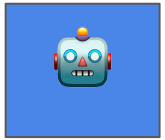

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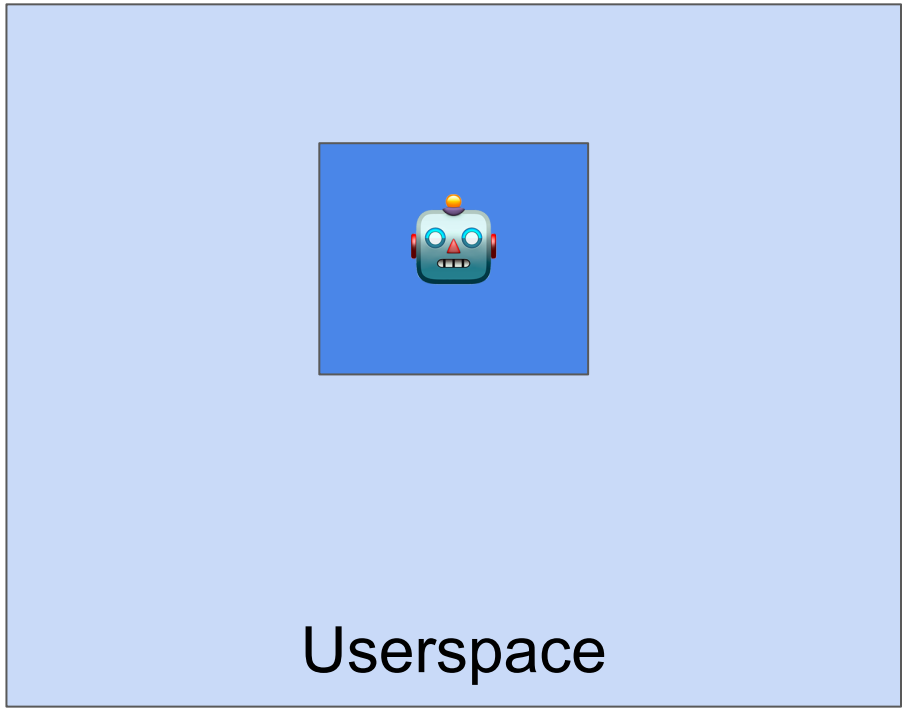

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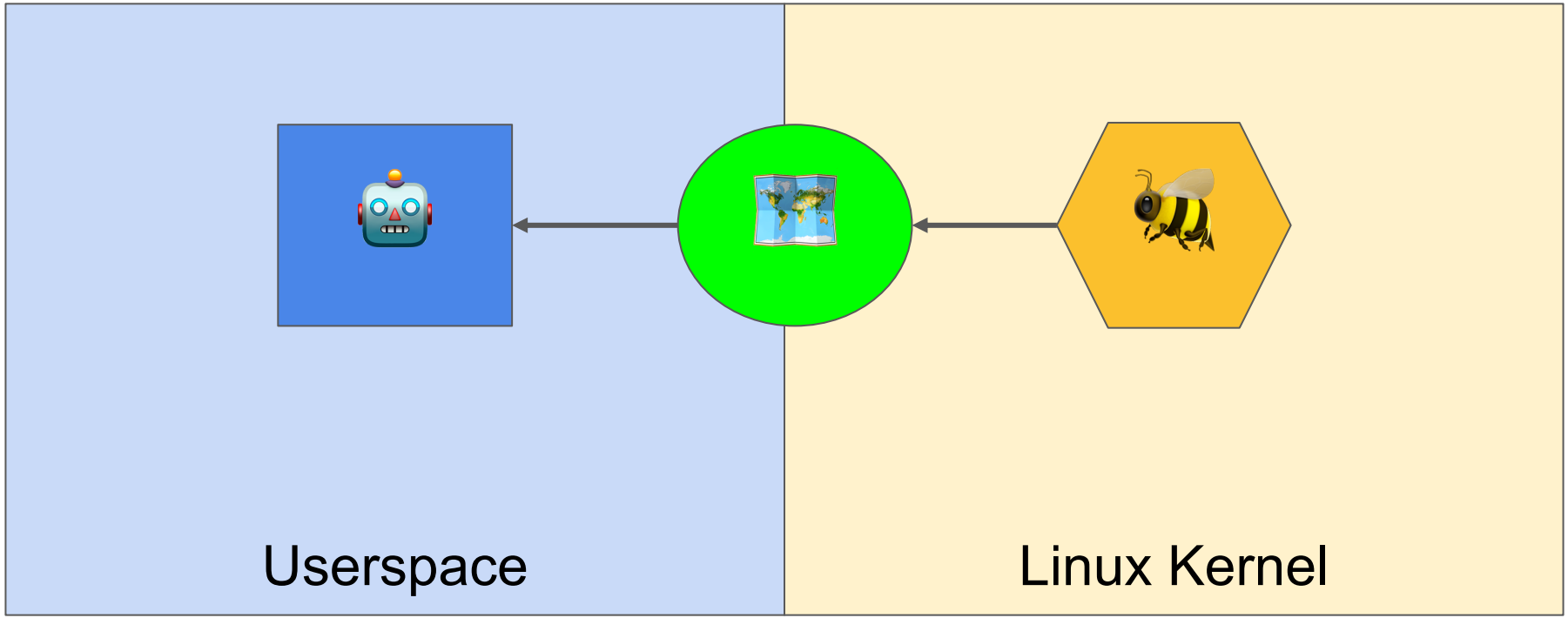

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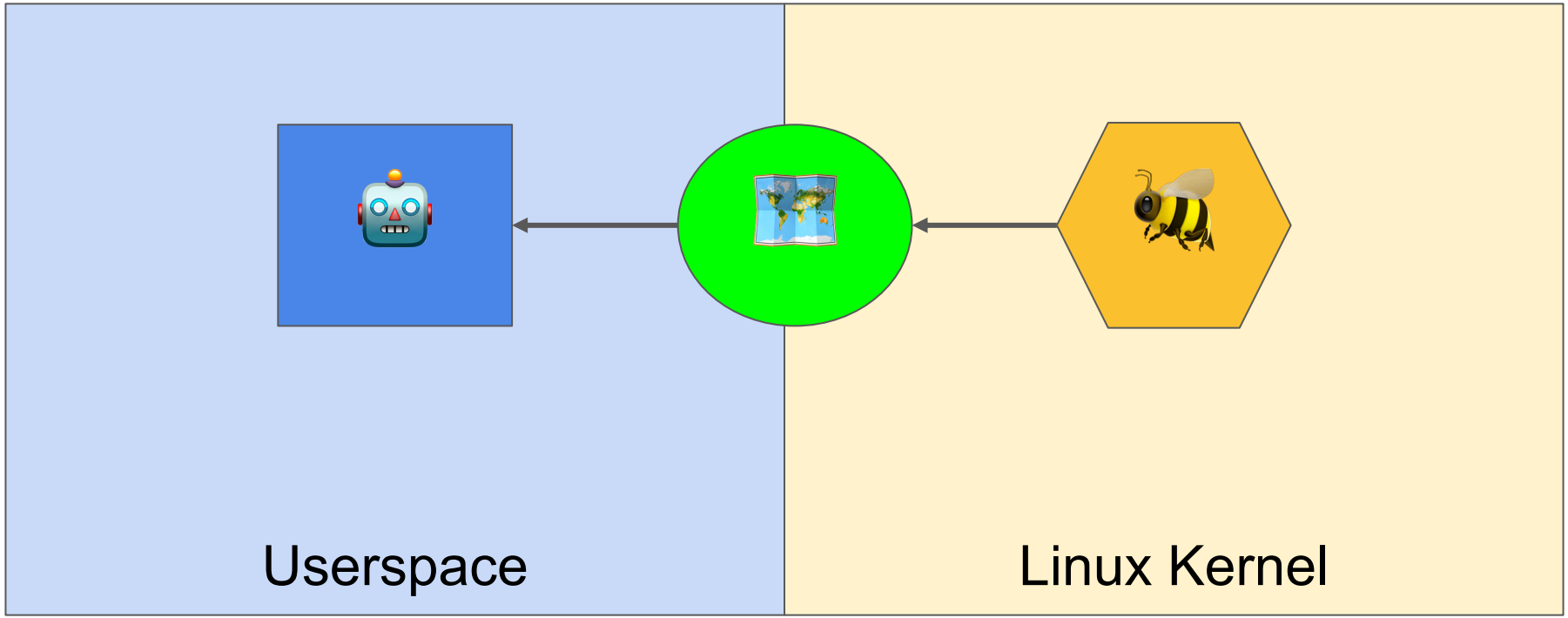

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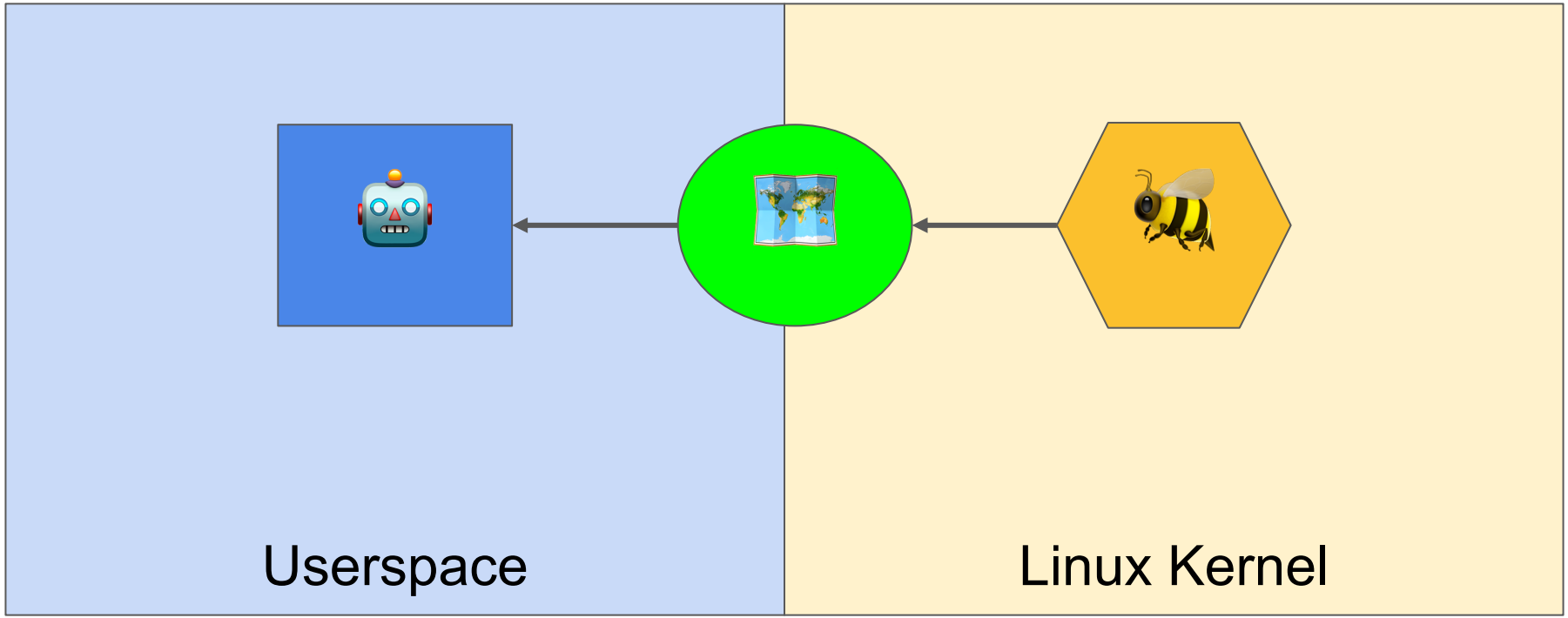

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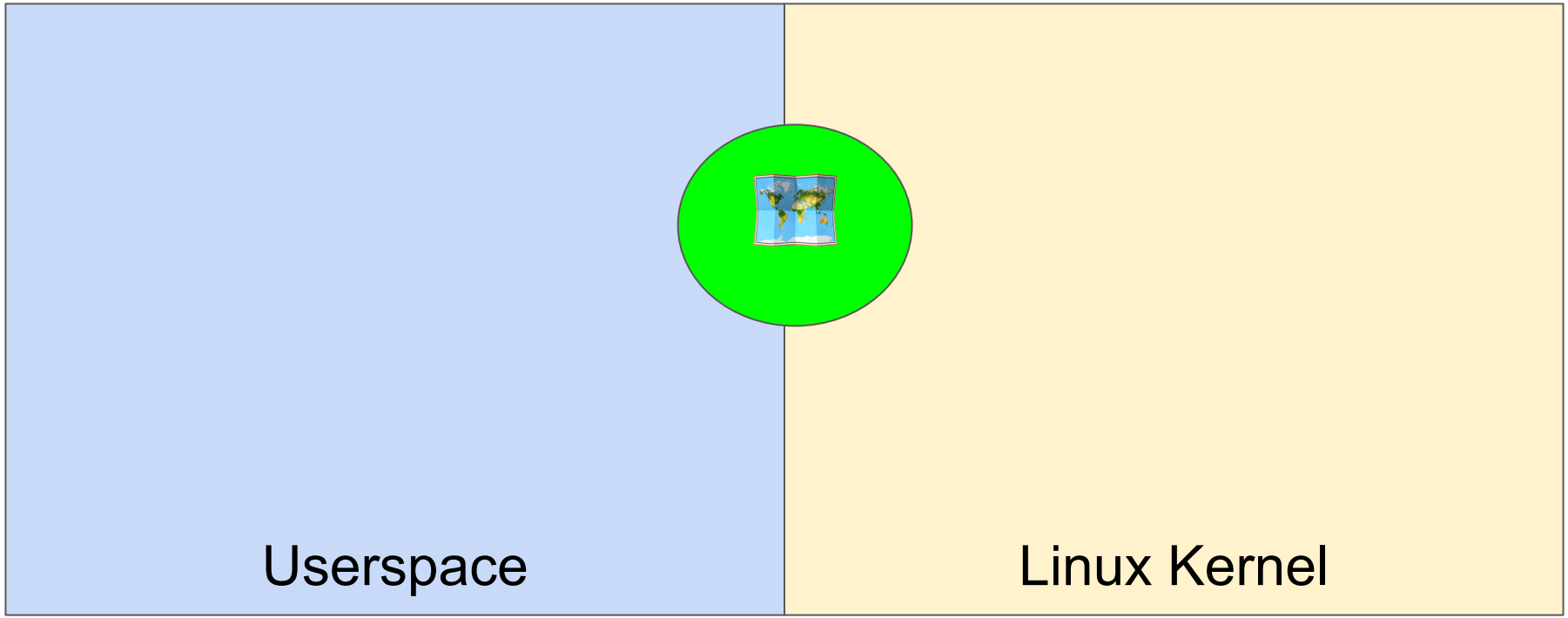

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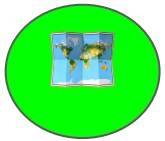

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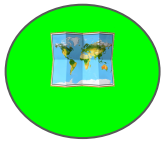

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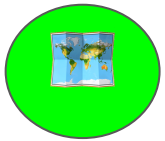

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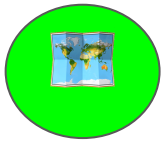

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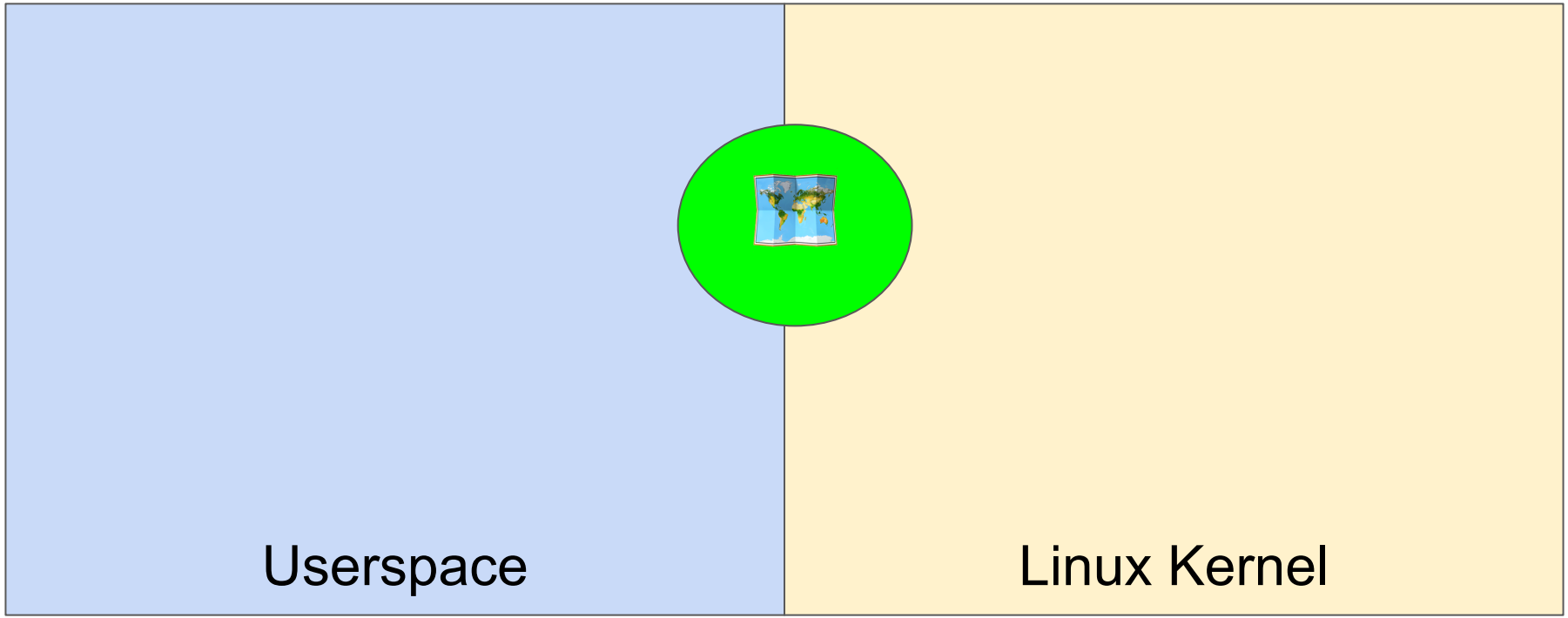

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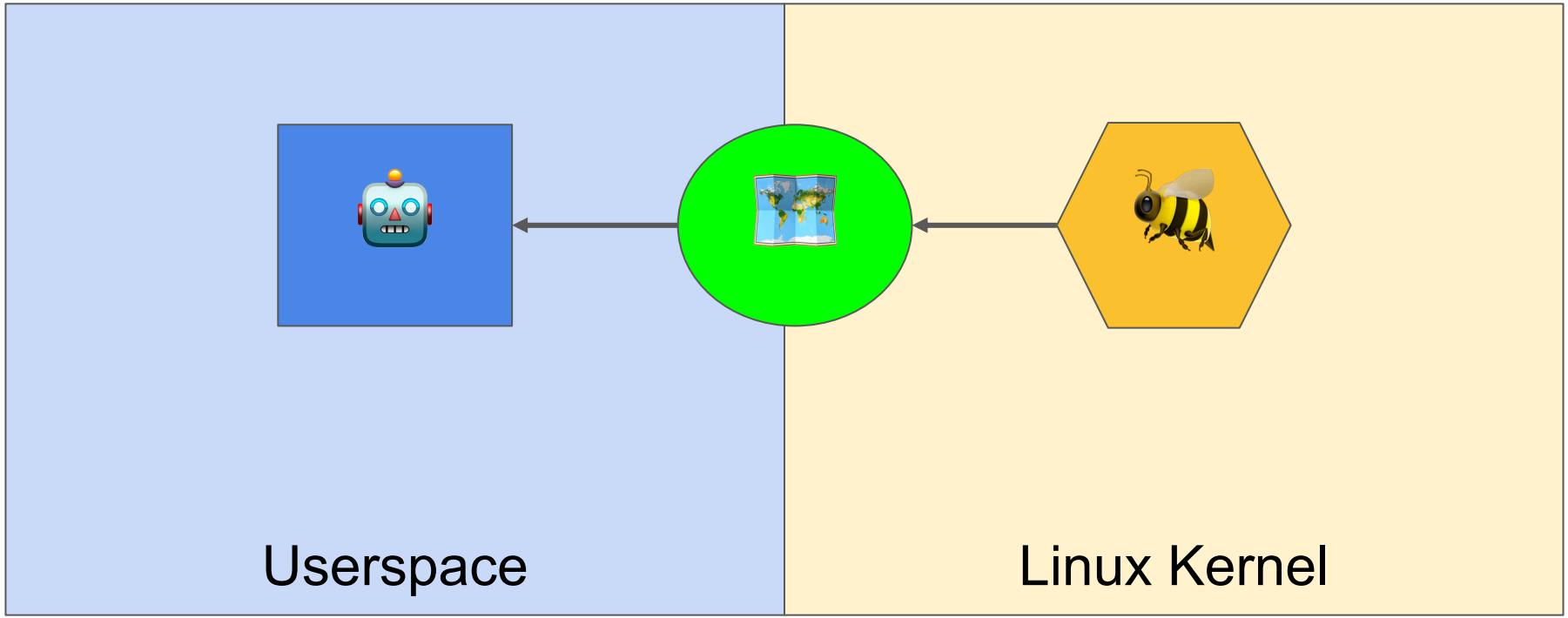

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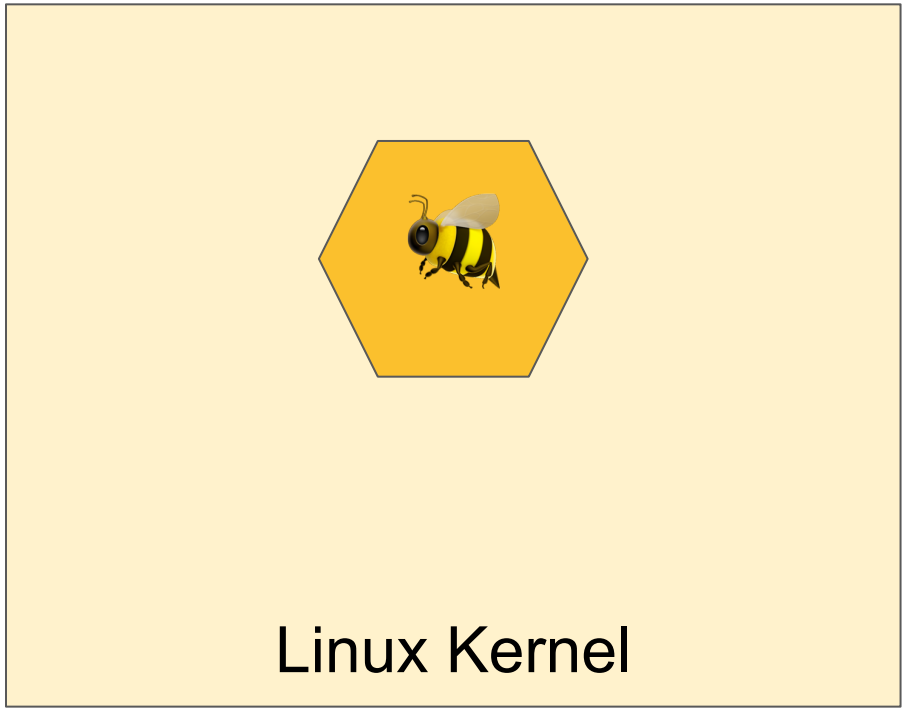

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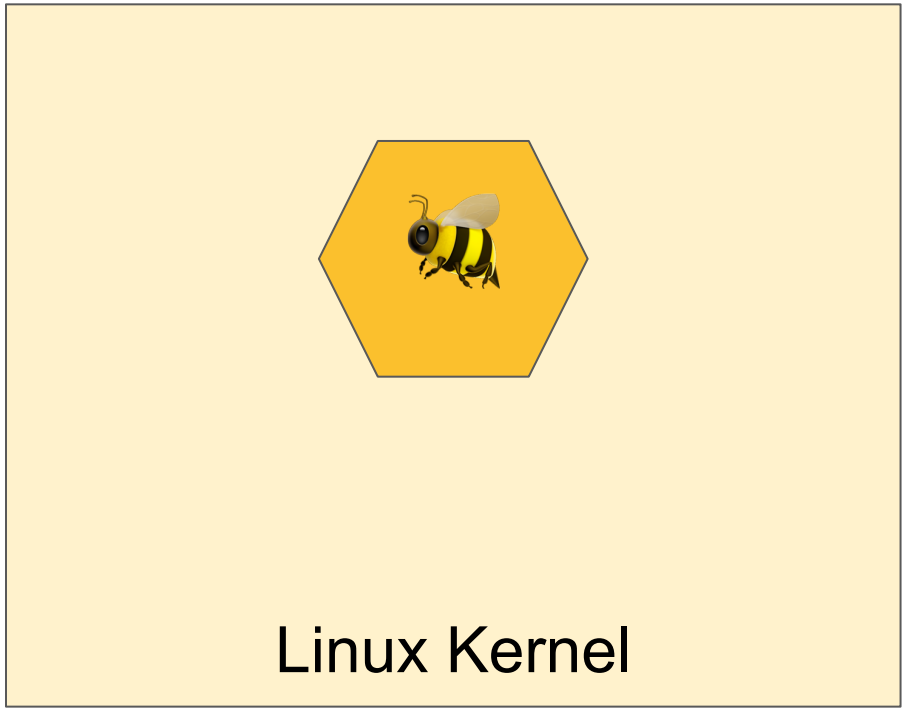

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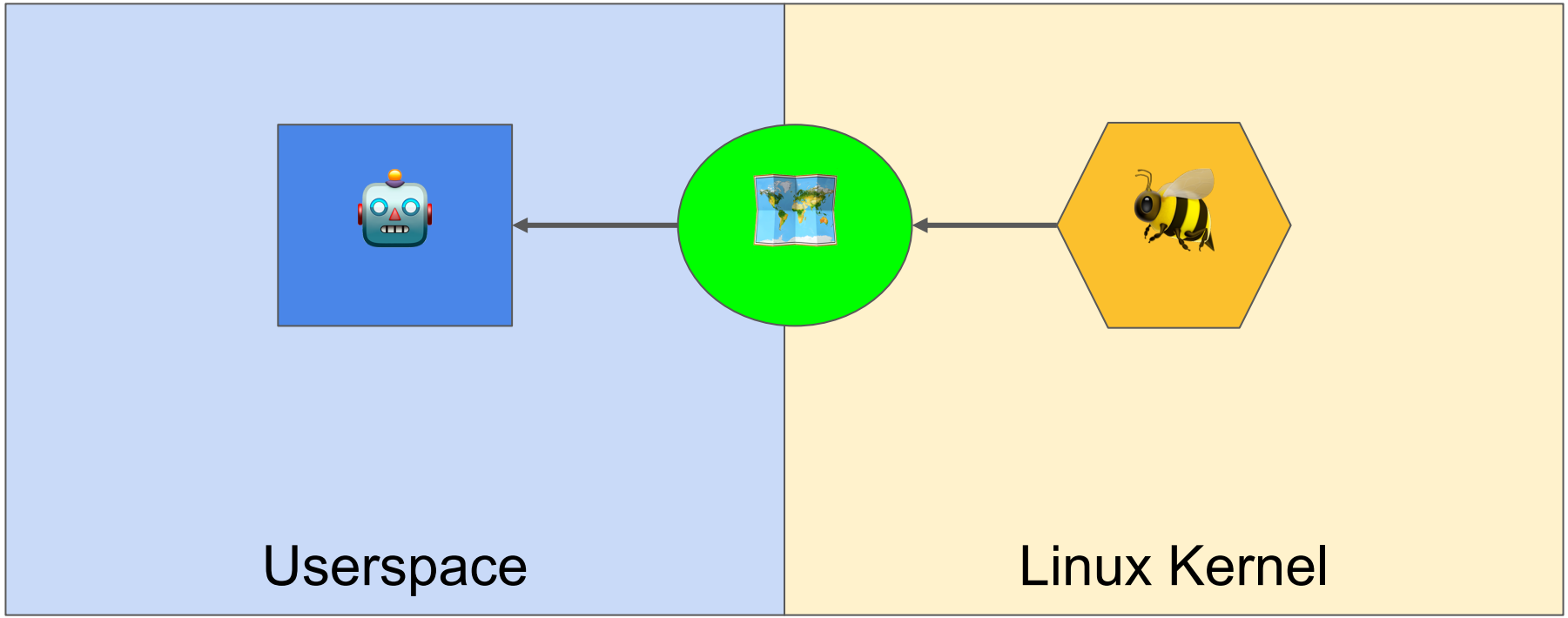

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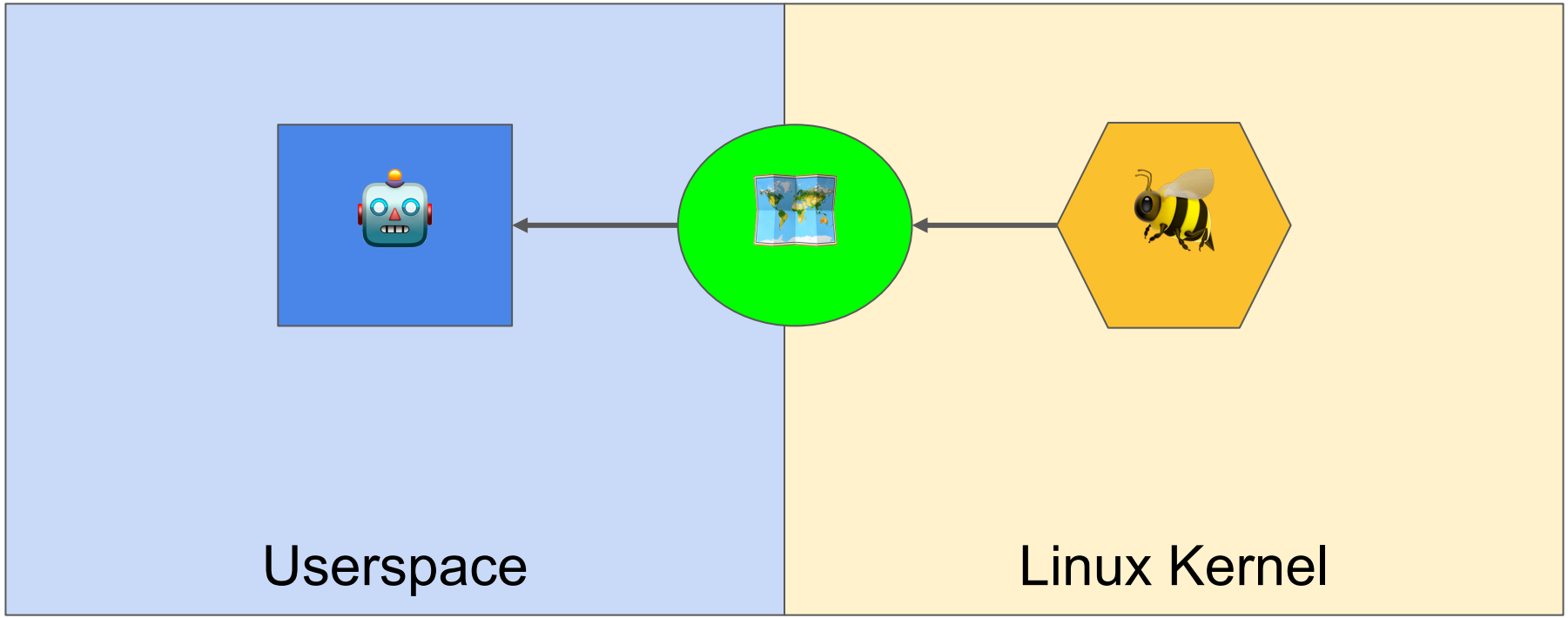

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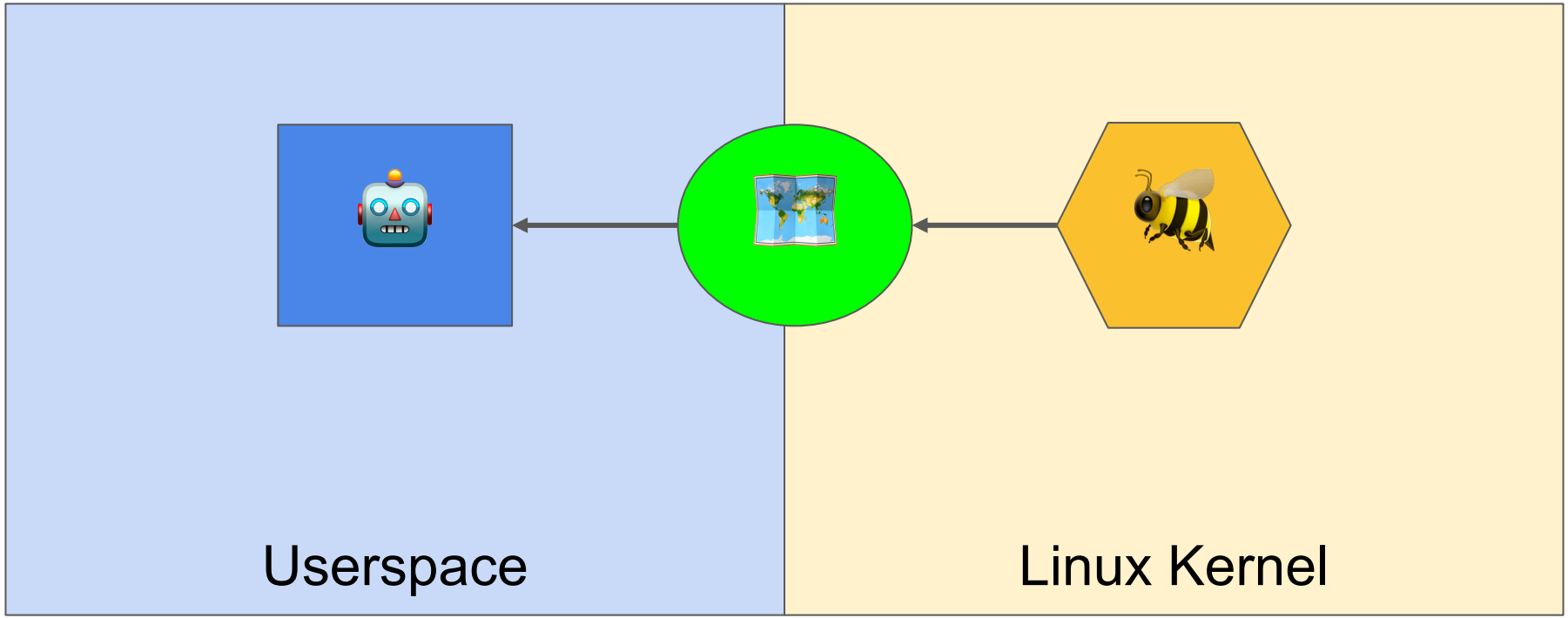

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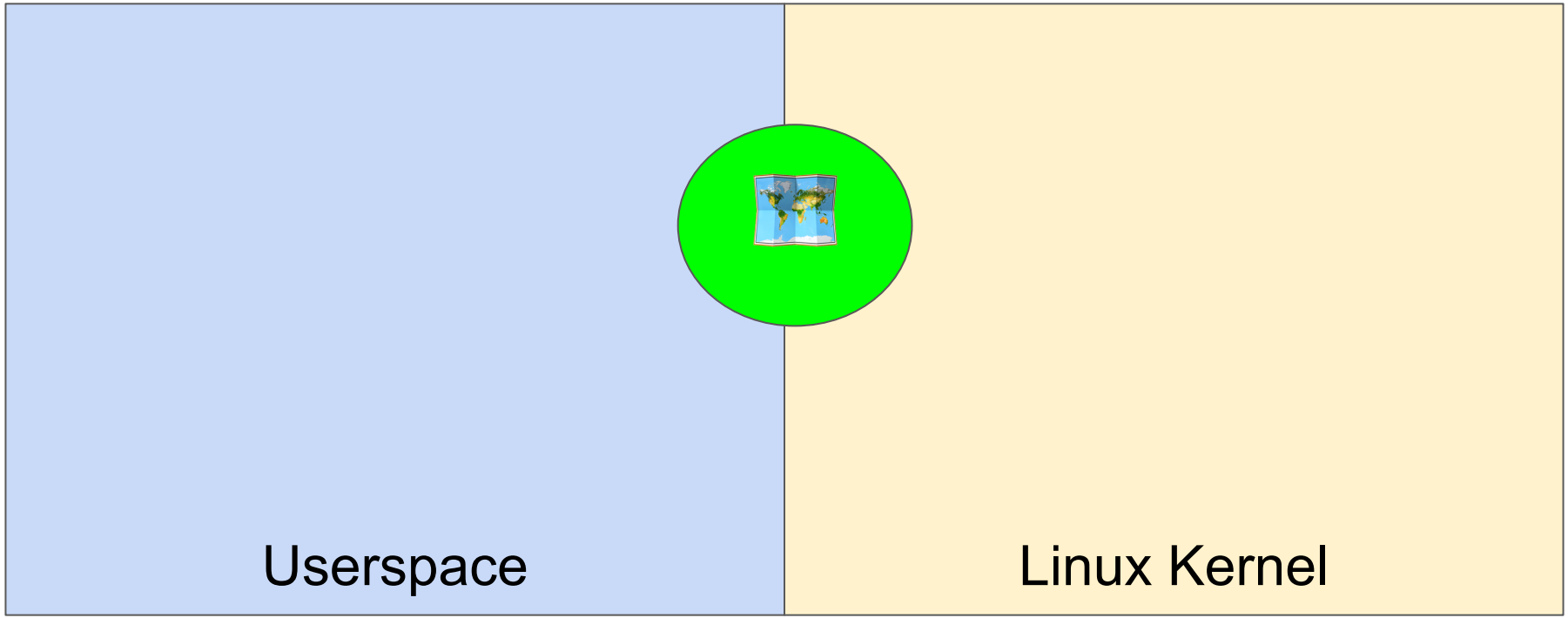

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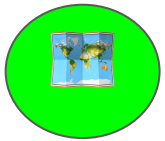

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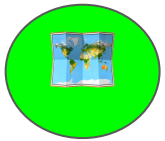

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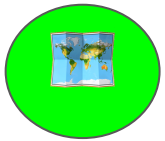

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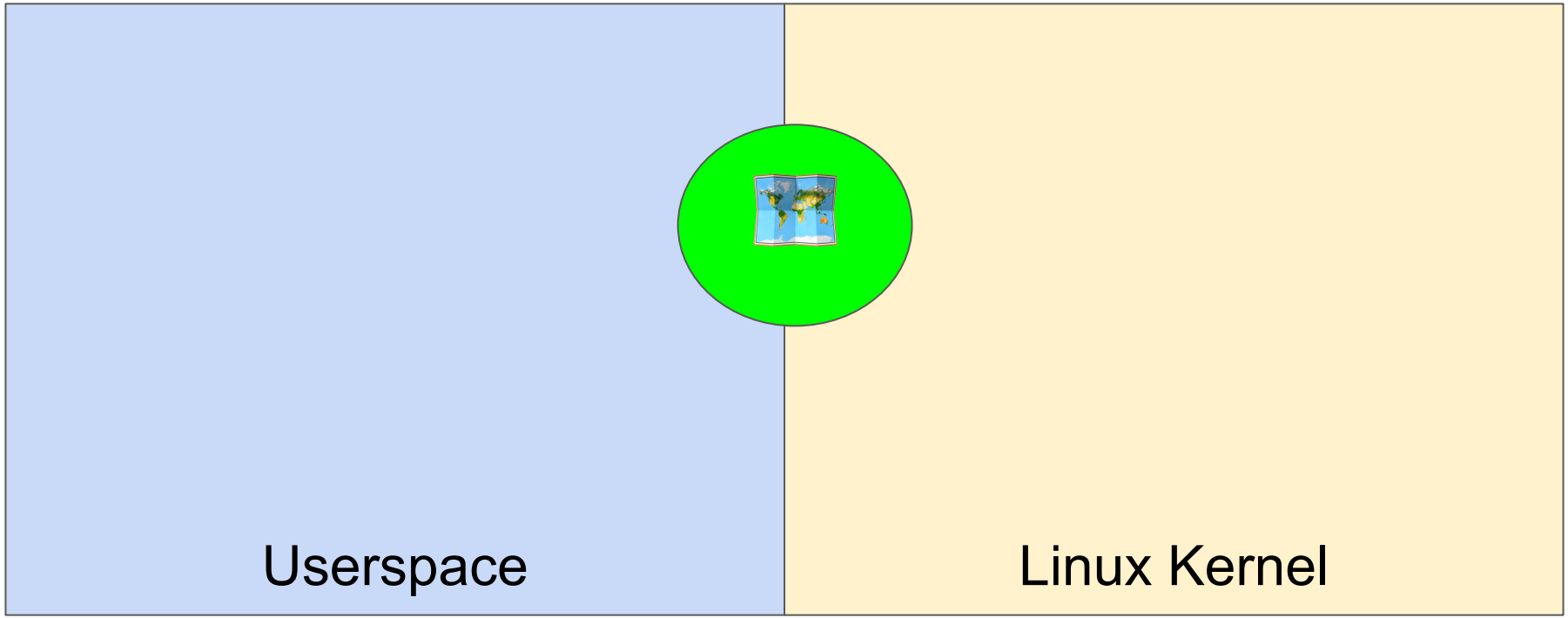

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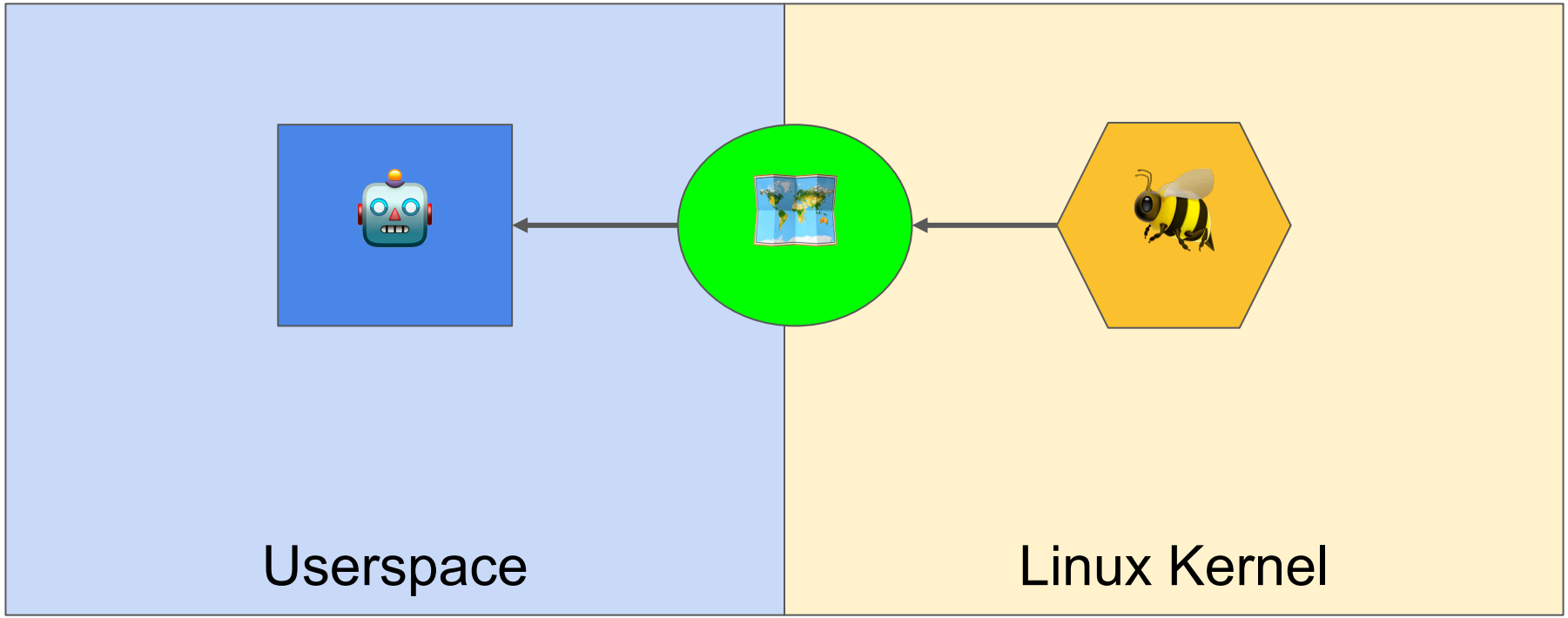

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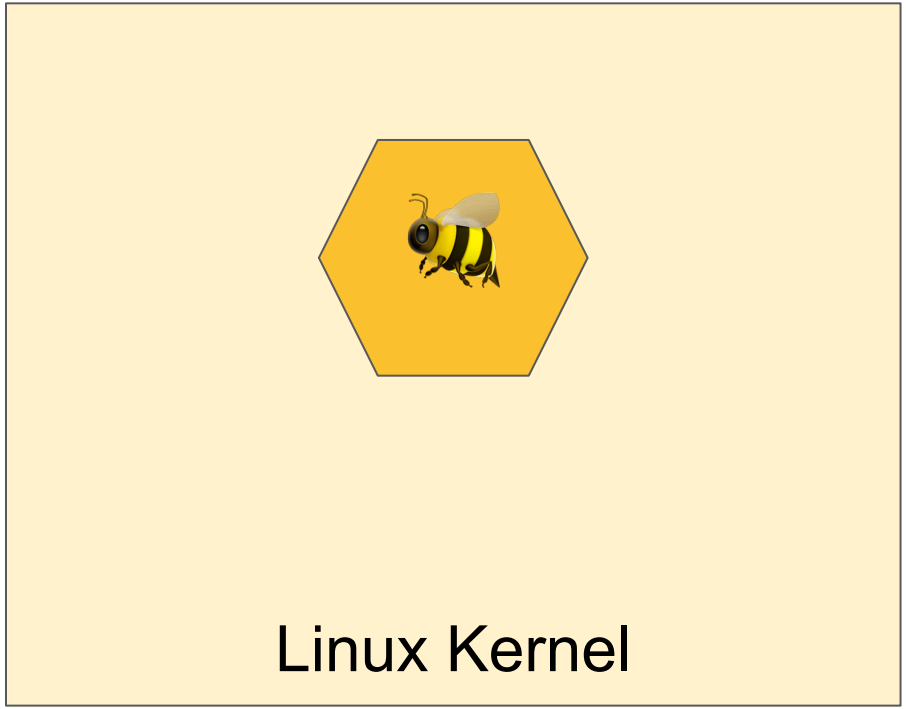

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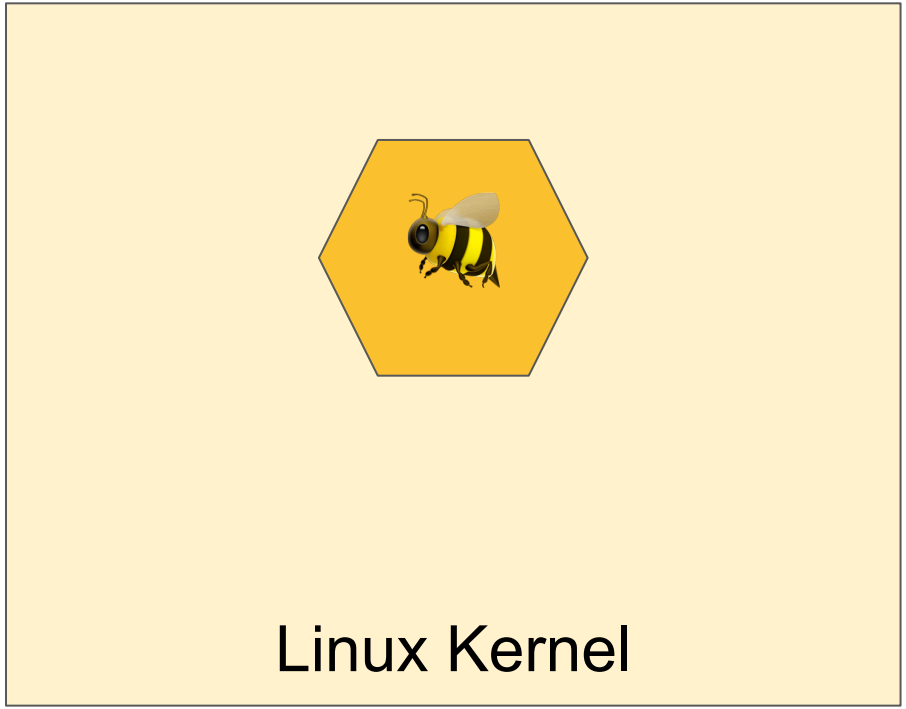

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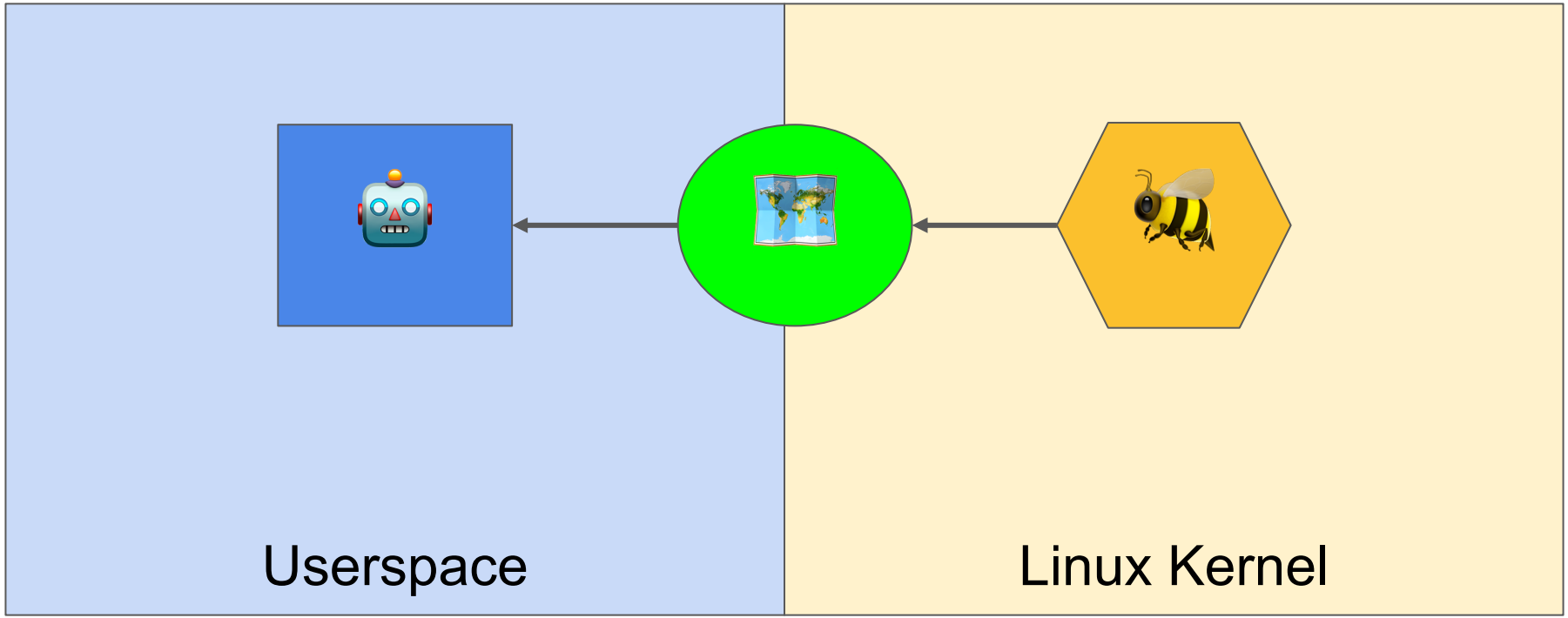

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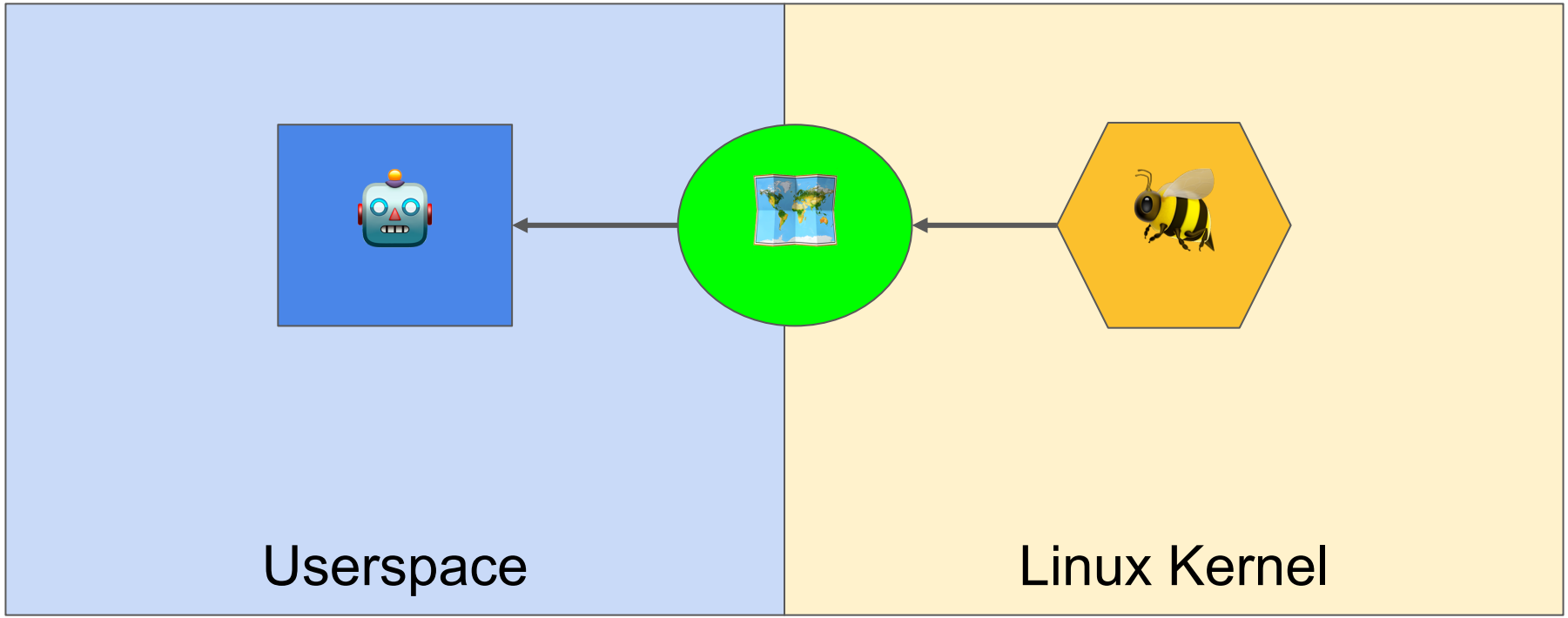

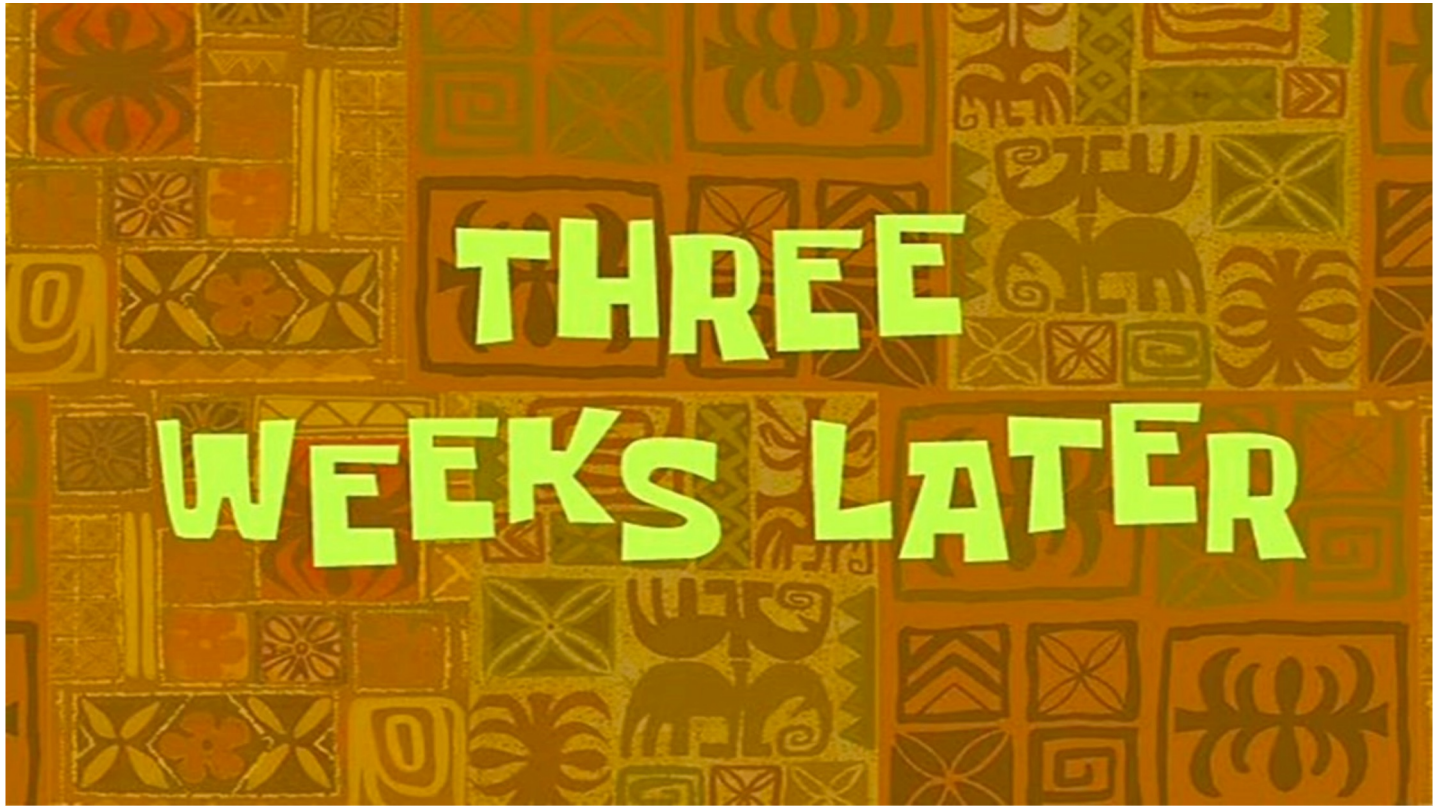

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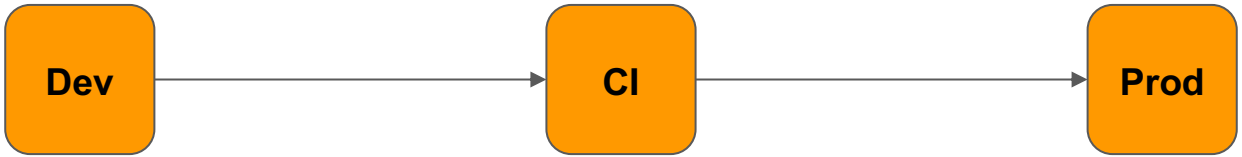

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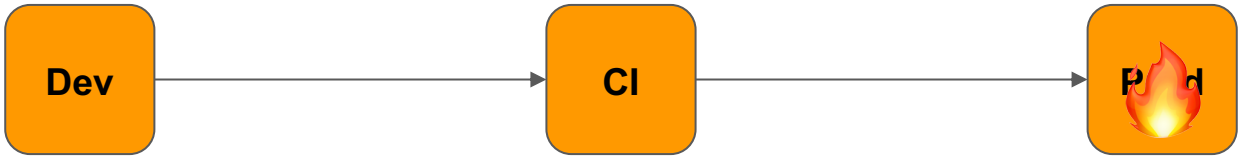

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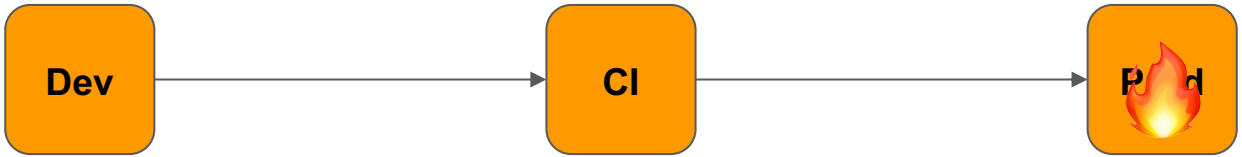

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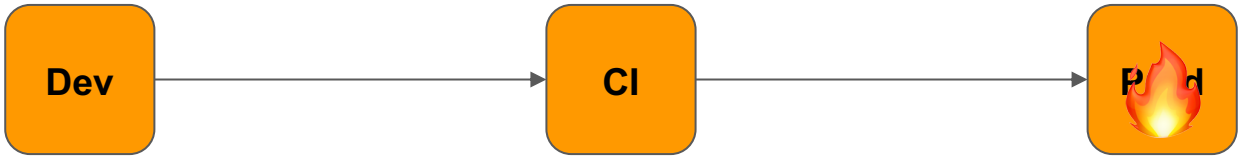

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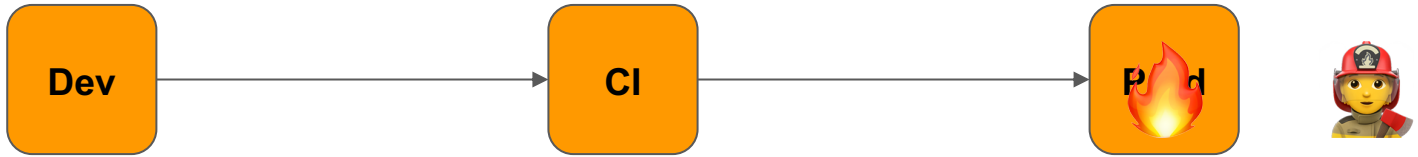

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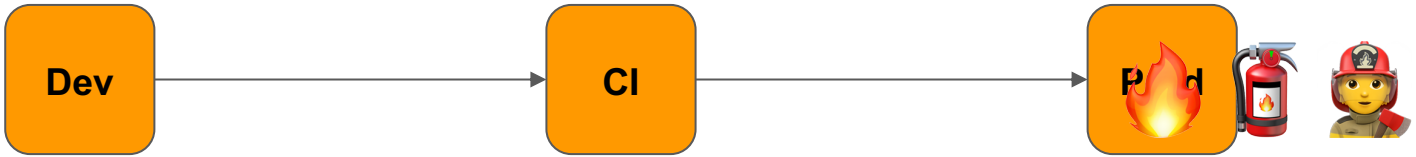

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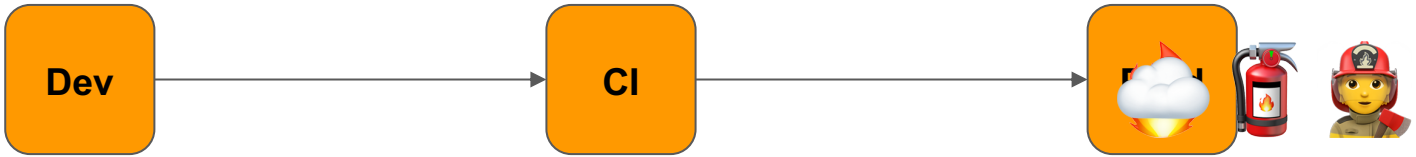

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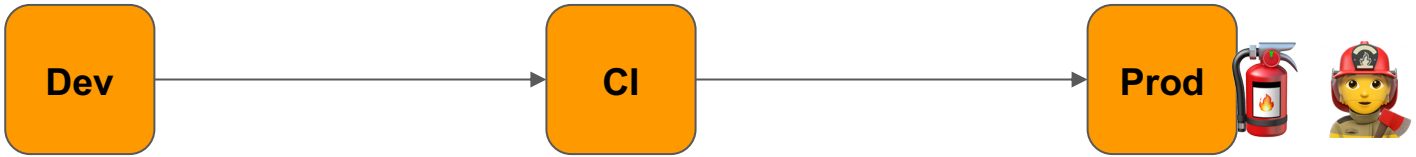

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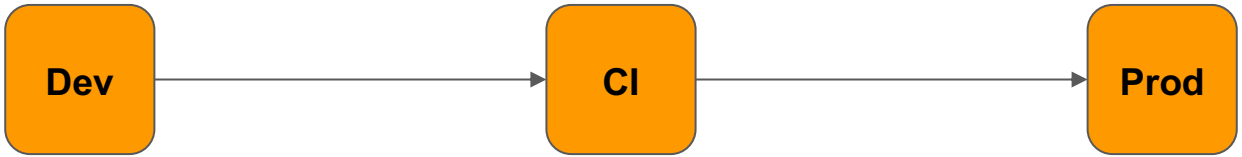

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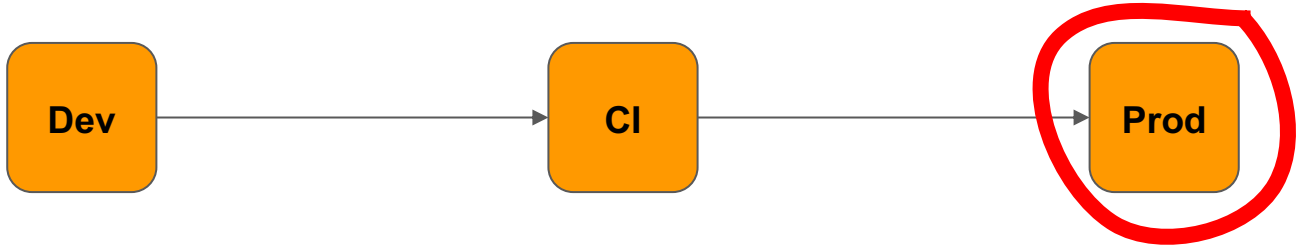

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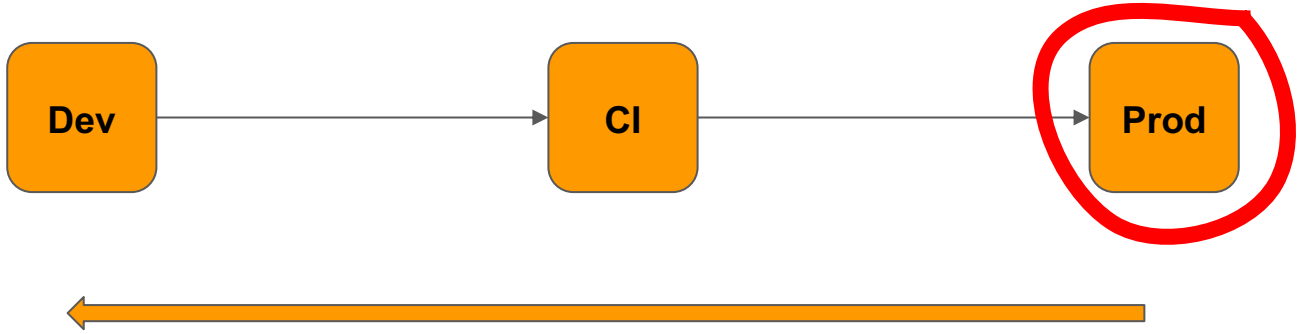

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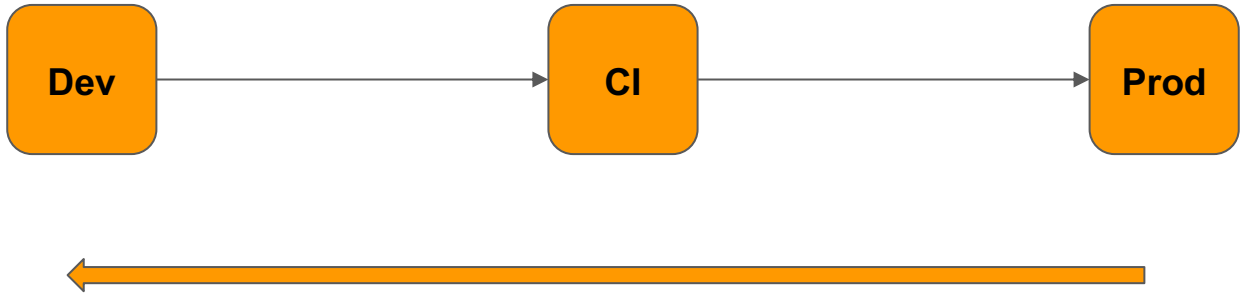

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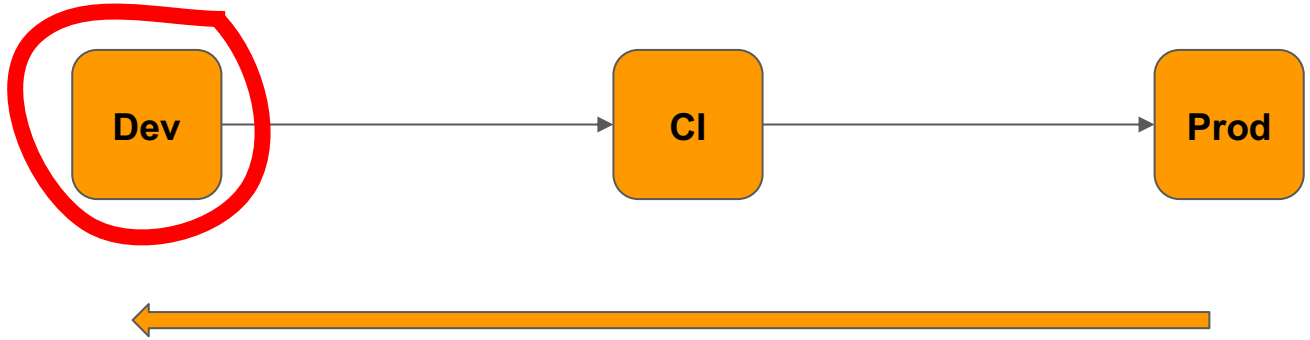

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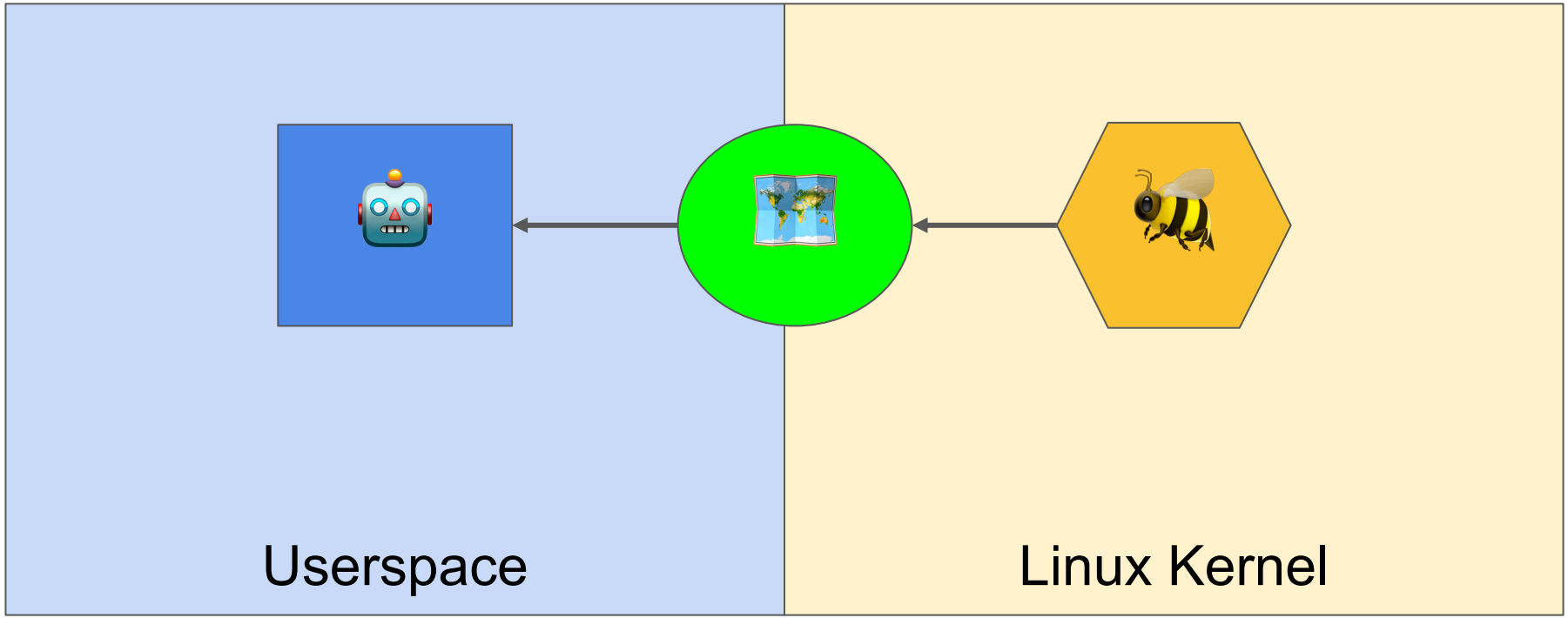

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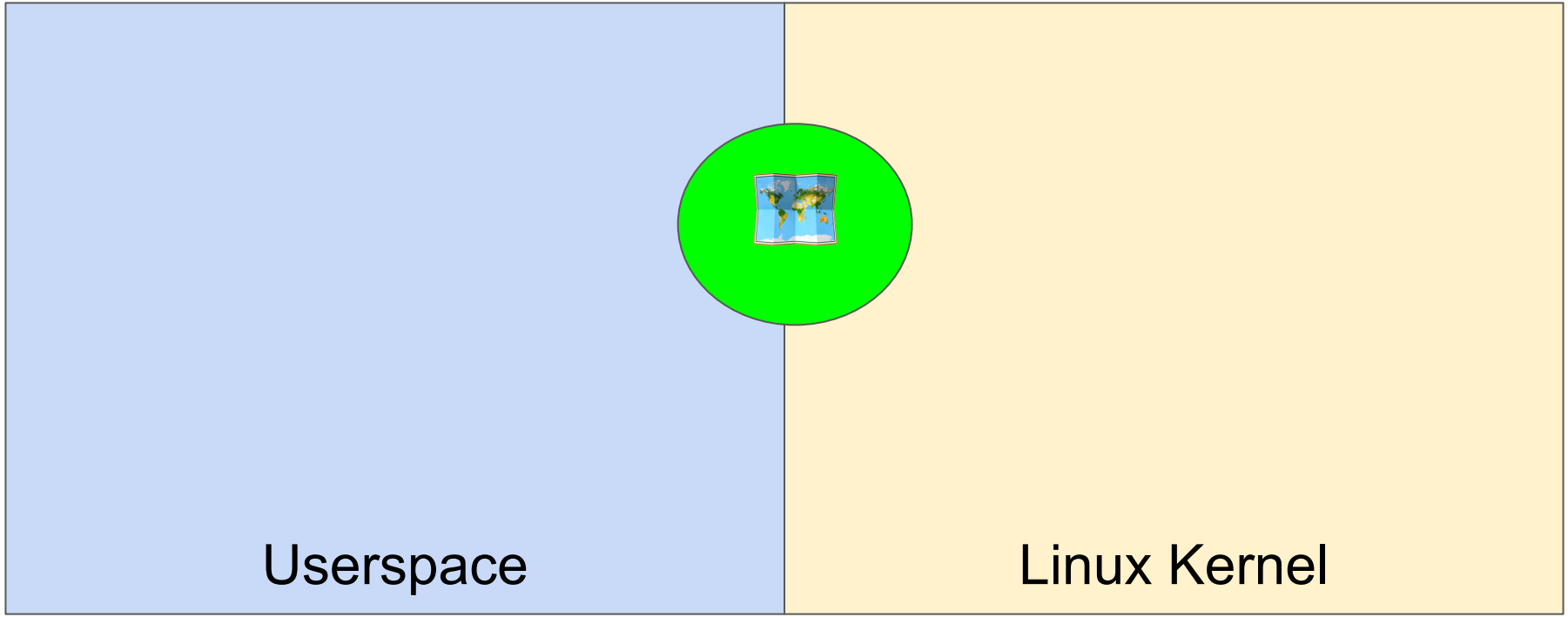

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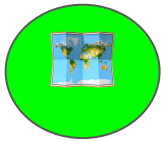

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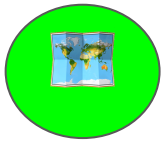

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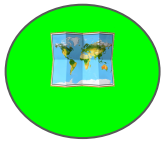

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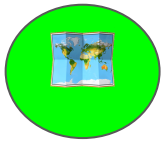

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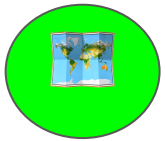

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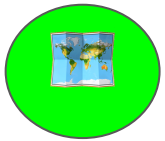

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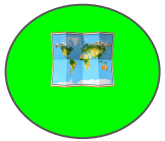

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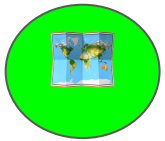

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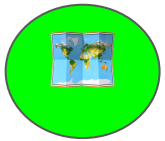

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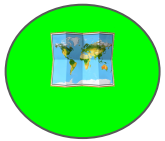

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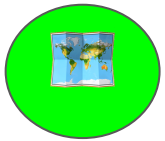

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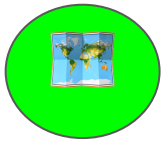

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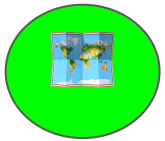

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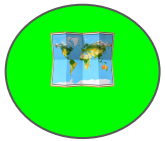

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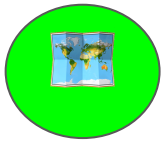

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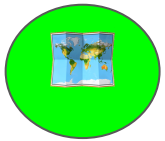

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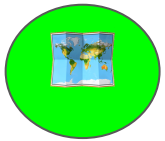

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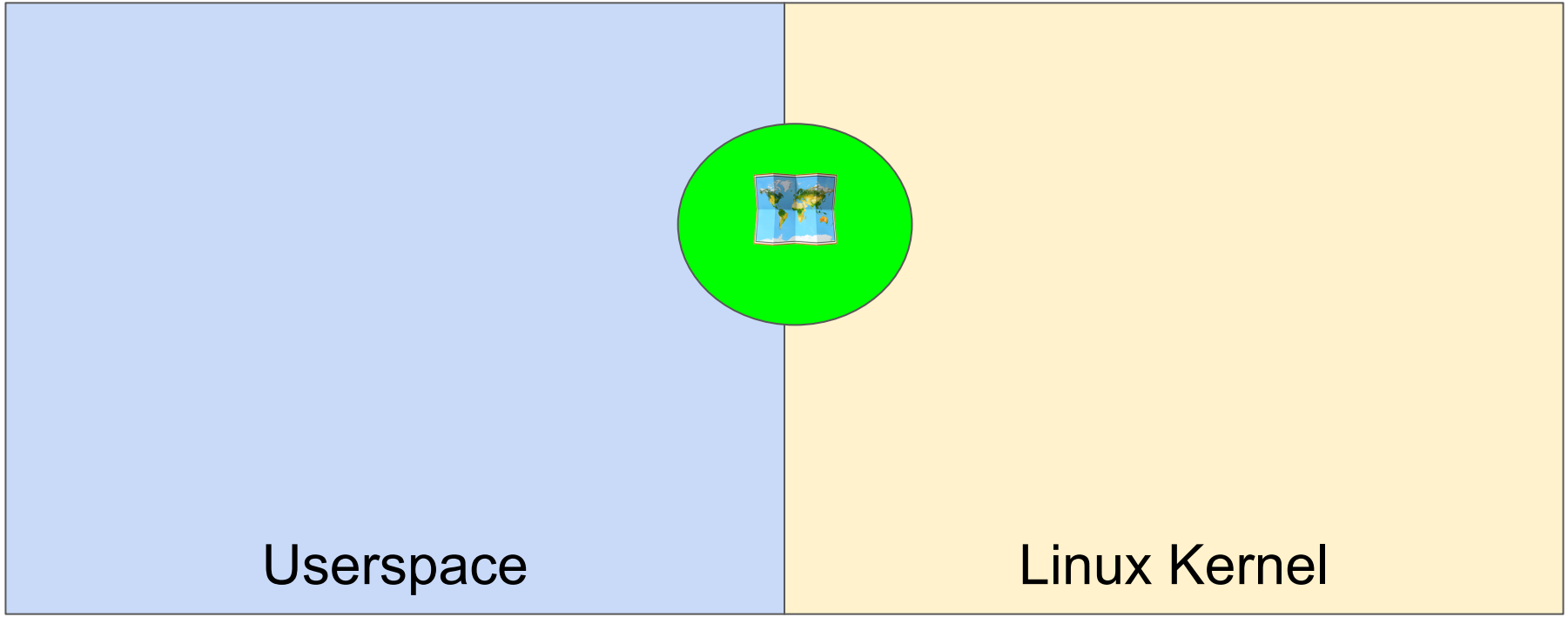

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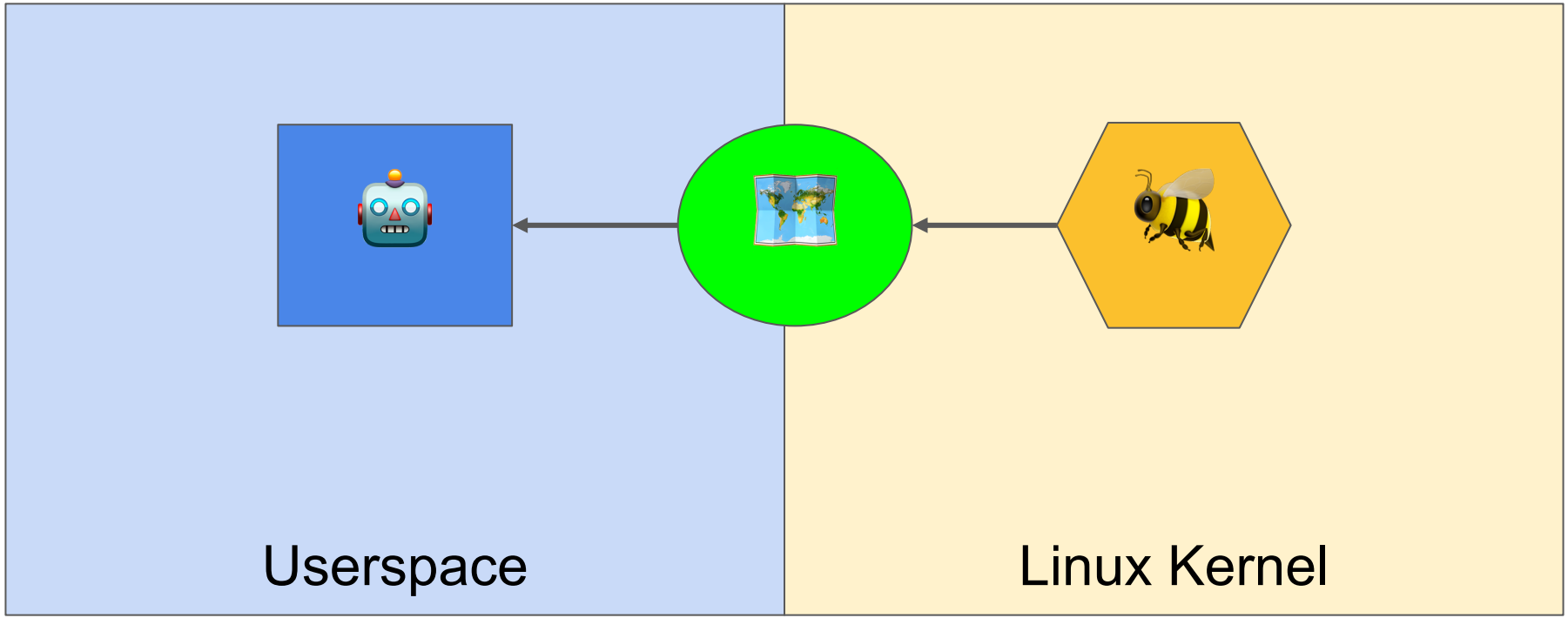

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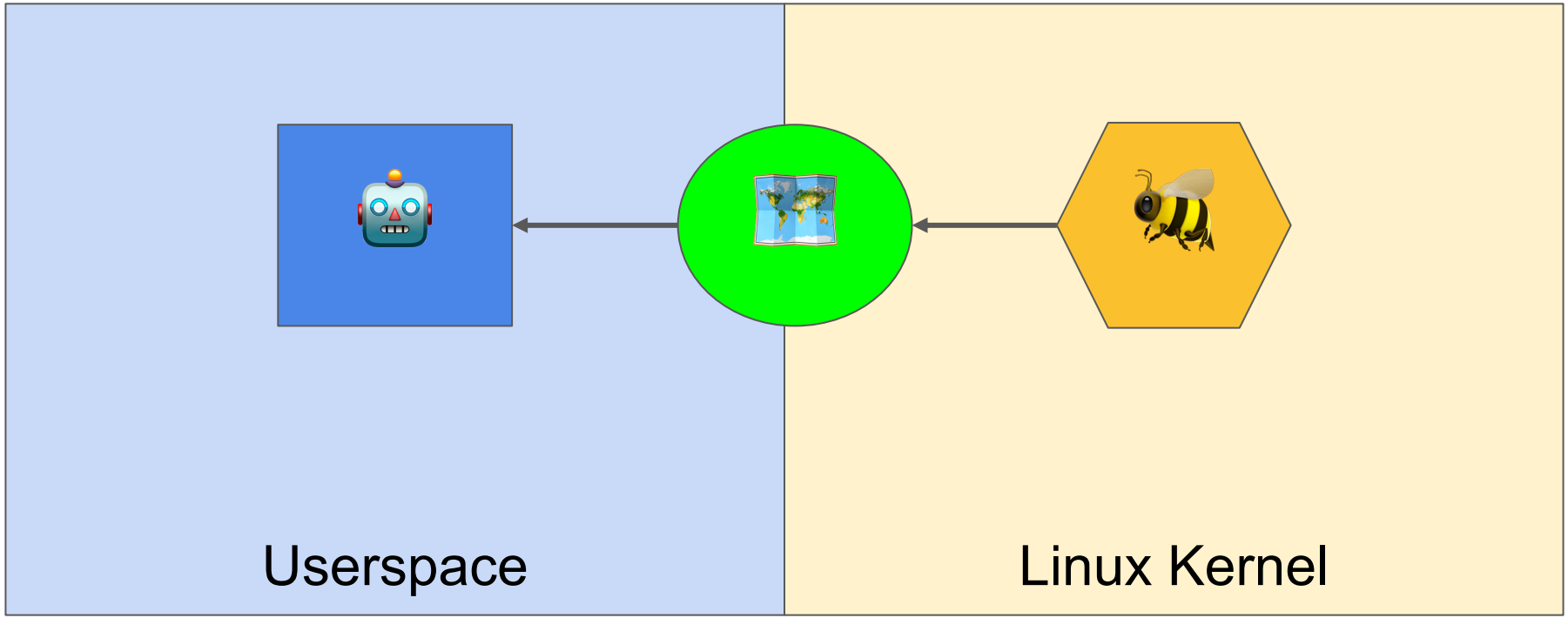

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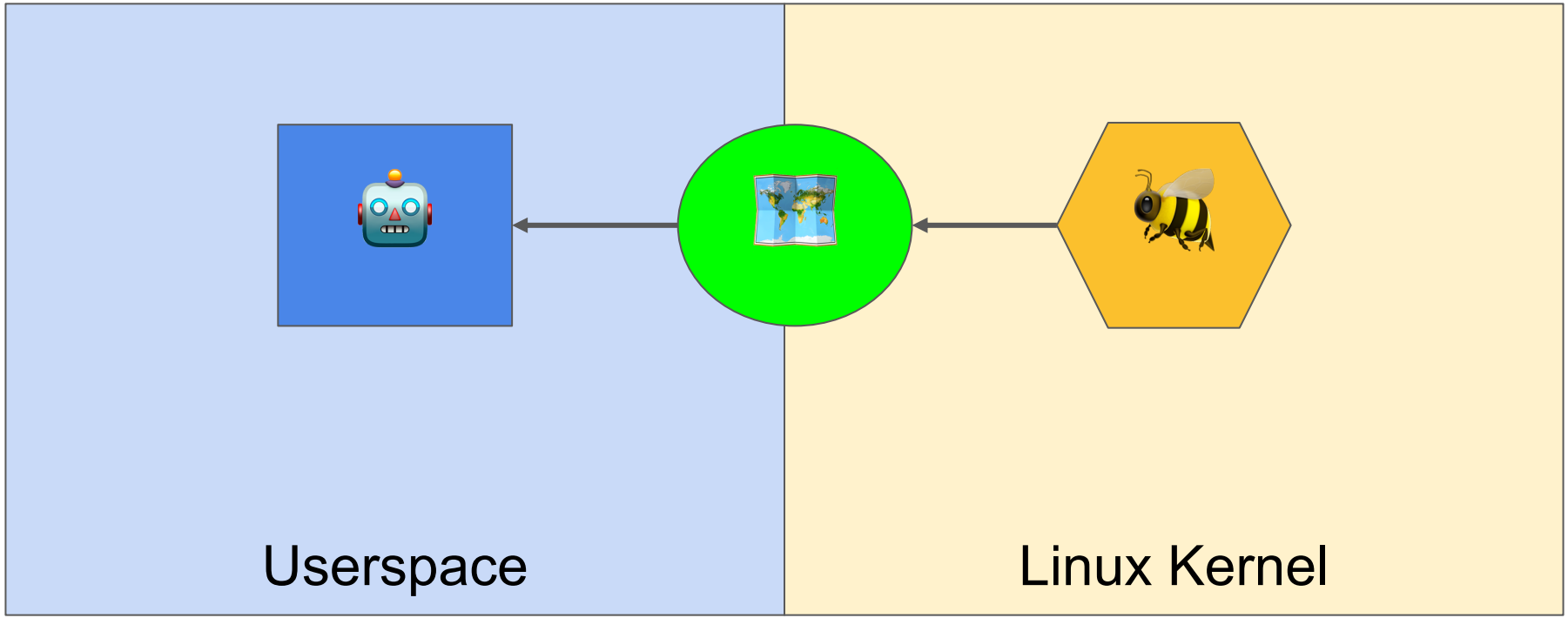

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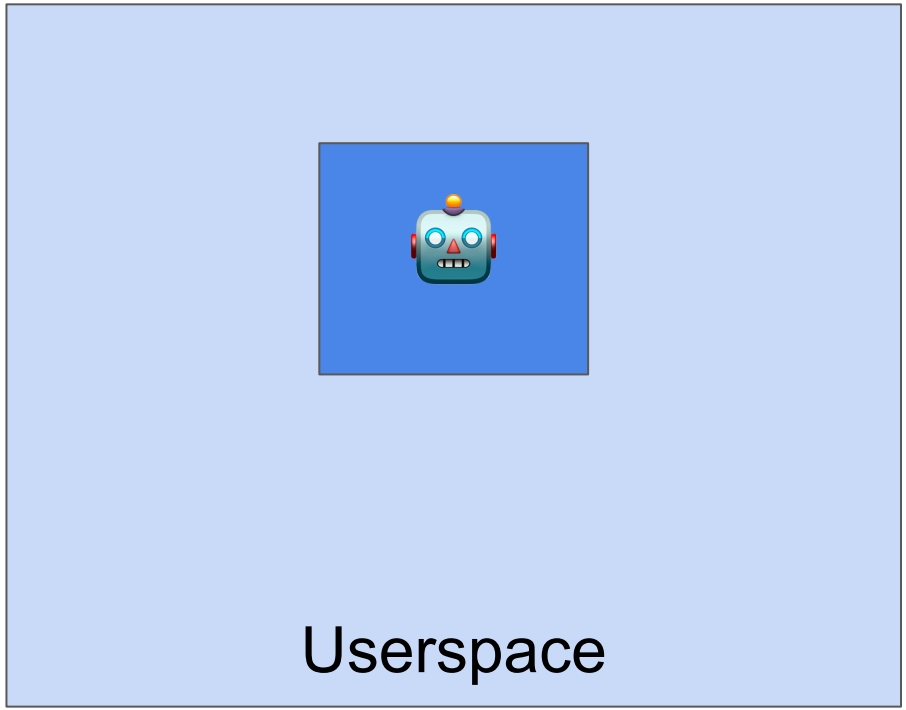

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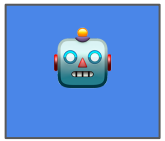

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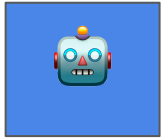

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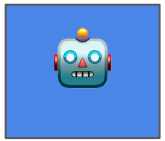

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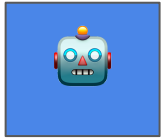

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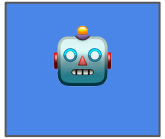

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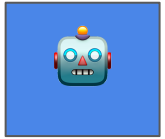

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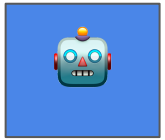

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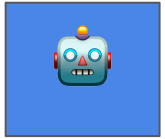

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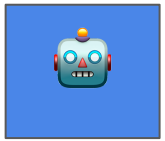

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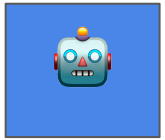

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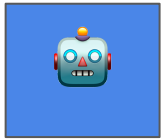

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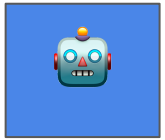

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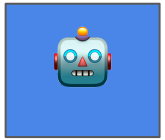

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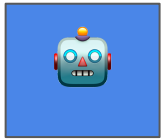

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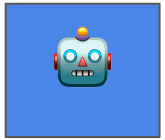

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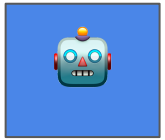

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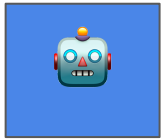

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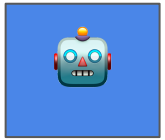

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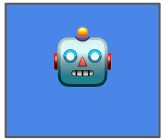

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        if shutdown.load(Ordering::Relaxed) {
            break;
        }
    }

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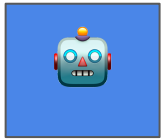

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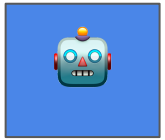

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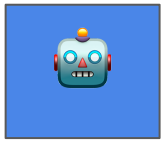

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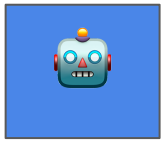

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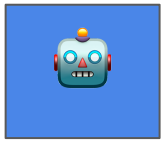

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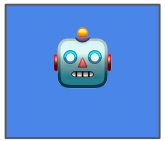

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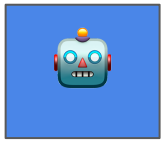

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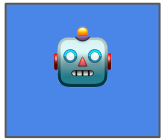

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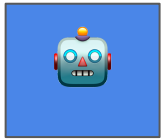

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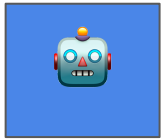

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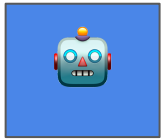

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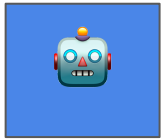

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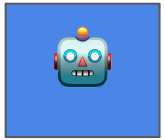

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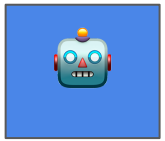

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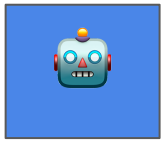

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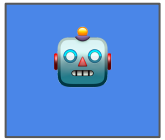

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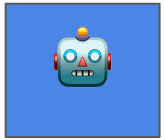

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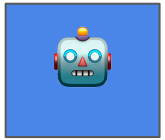

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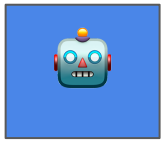

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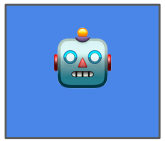

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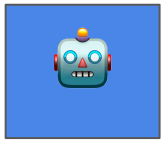

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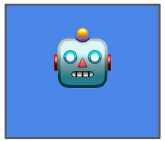

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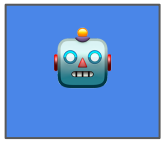

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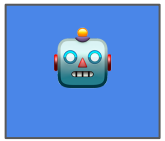

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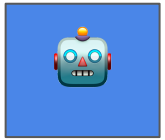

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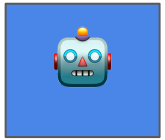

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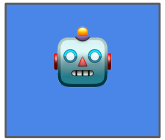

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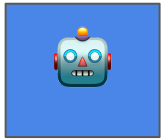

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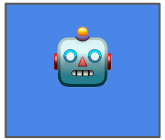

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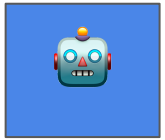

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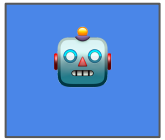

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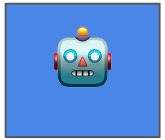

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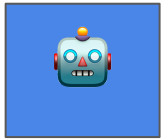

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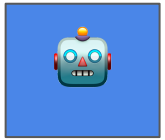

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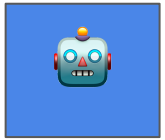

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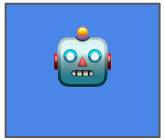

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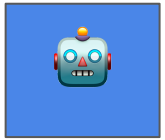

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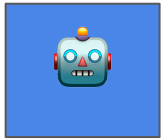

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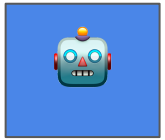

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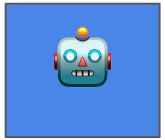

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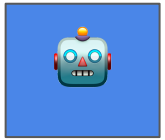

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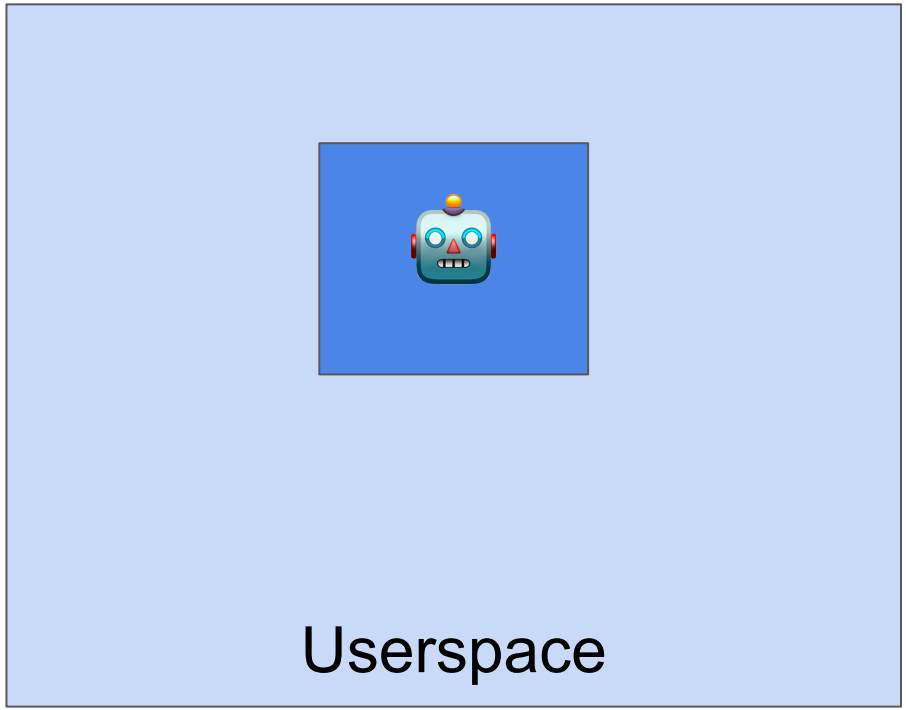

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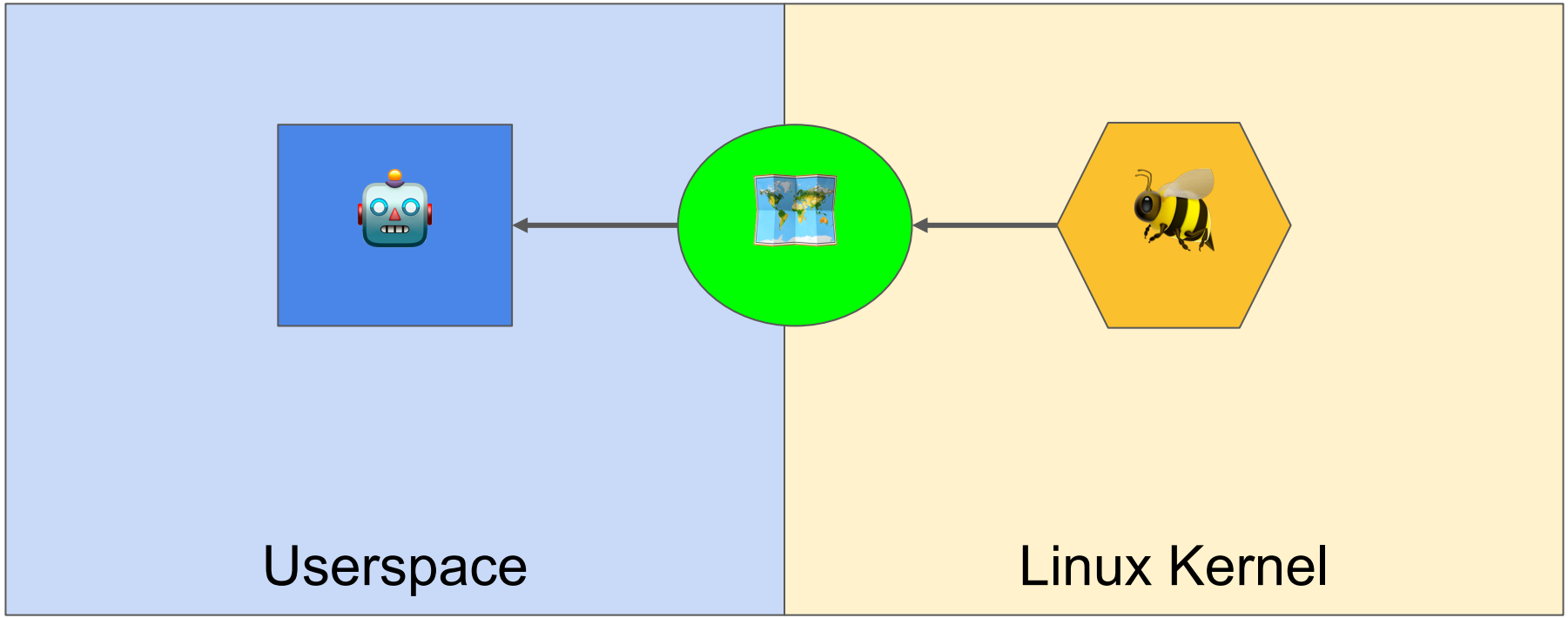

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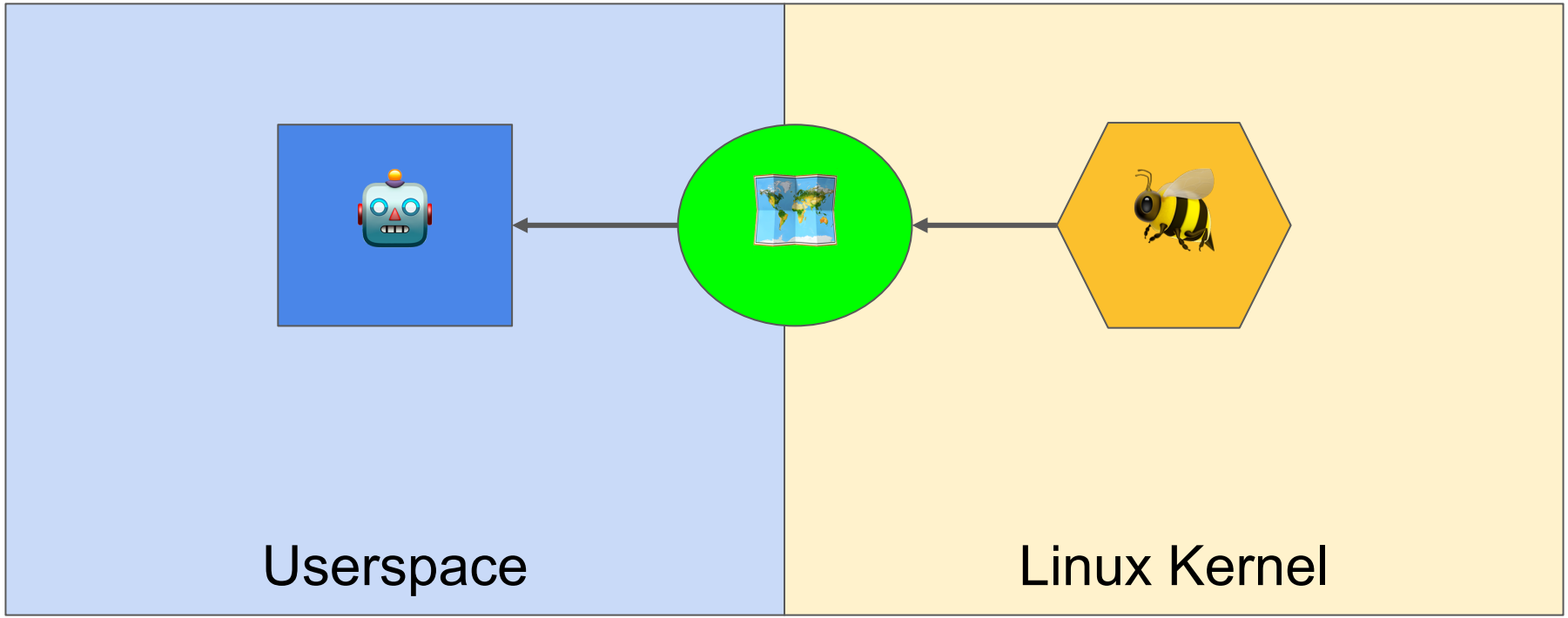

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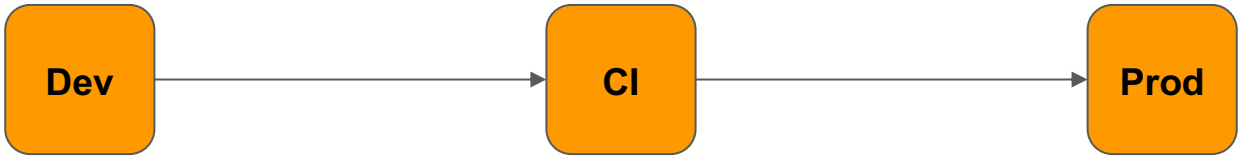

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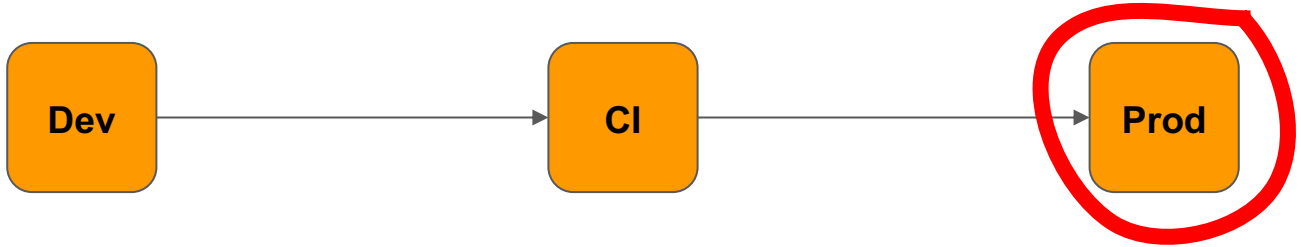

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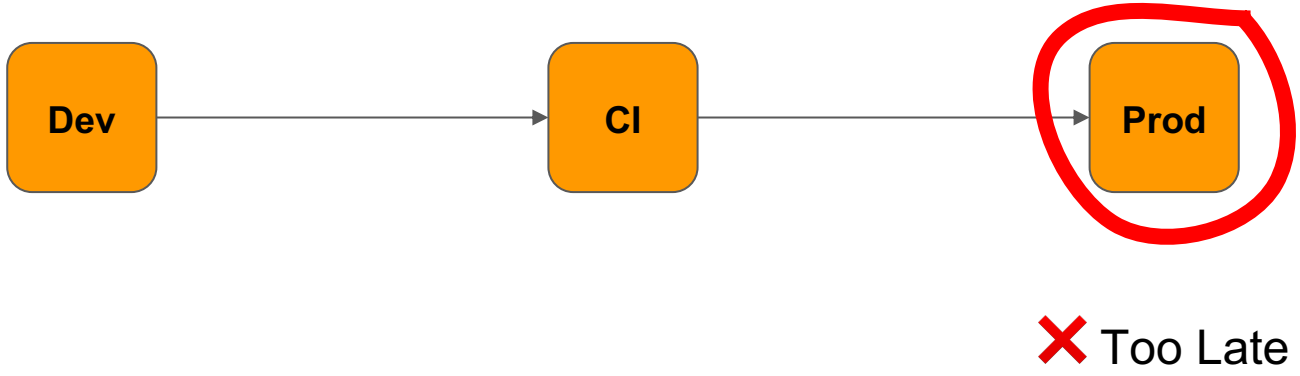

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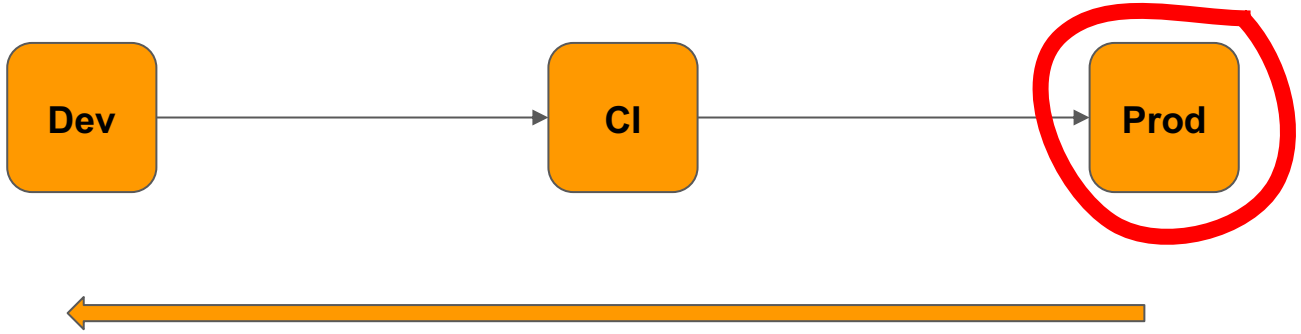

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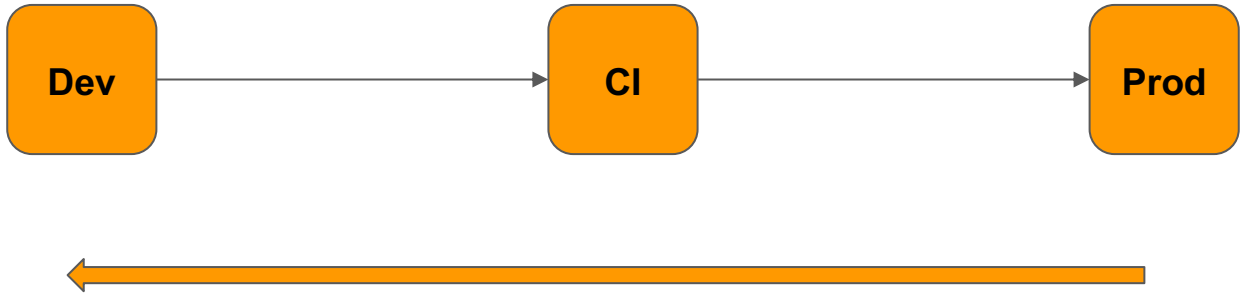

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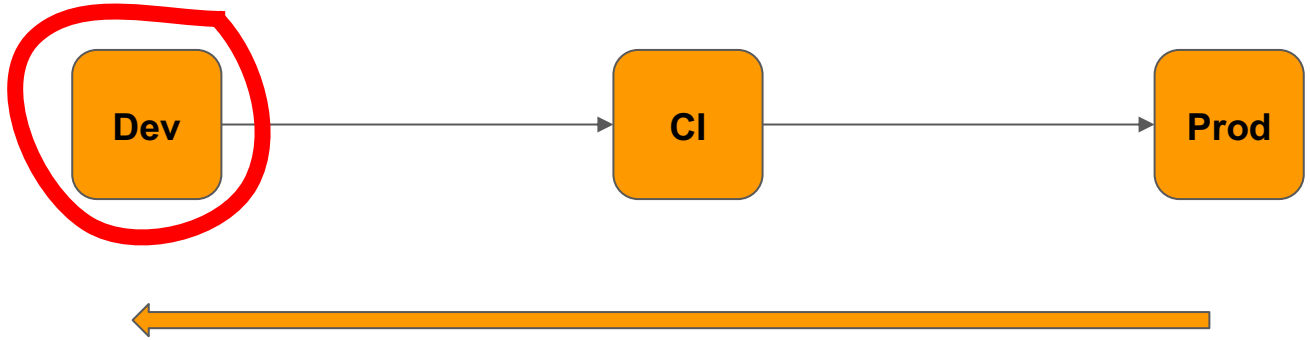

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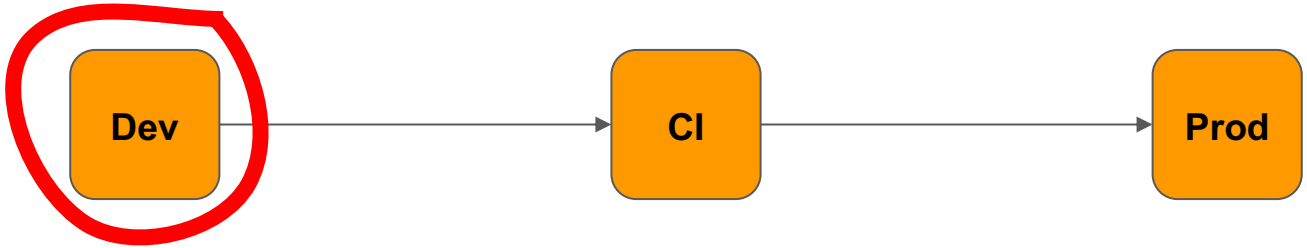

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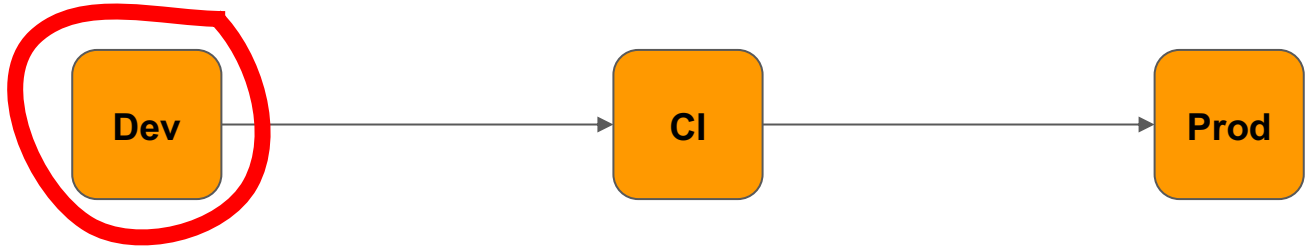

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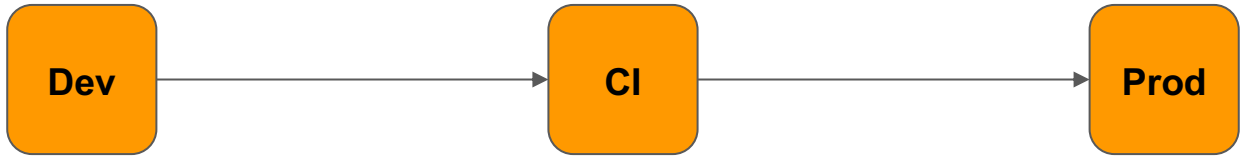

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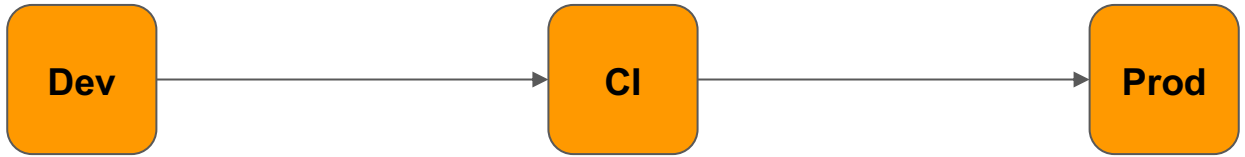

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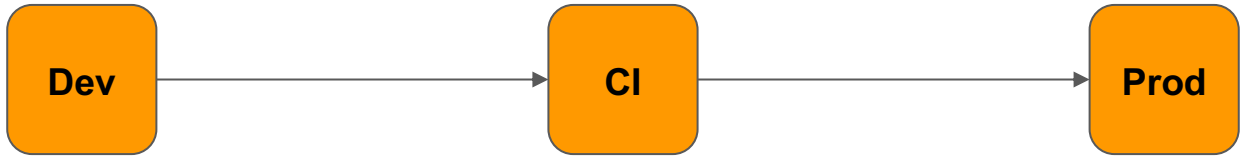

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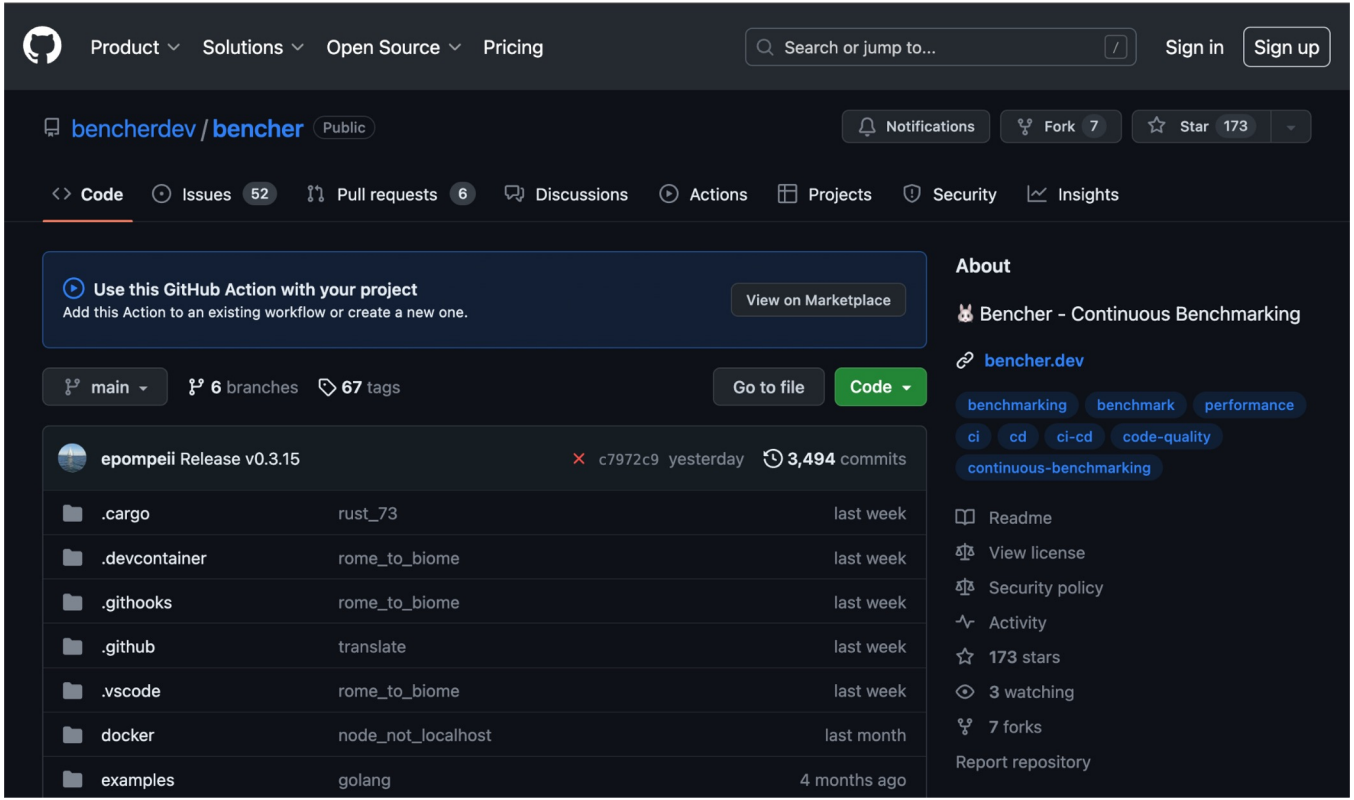
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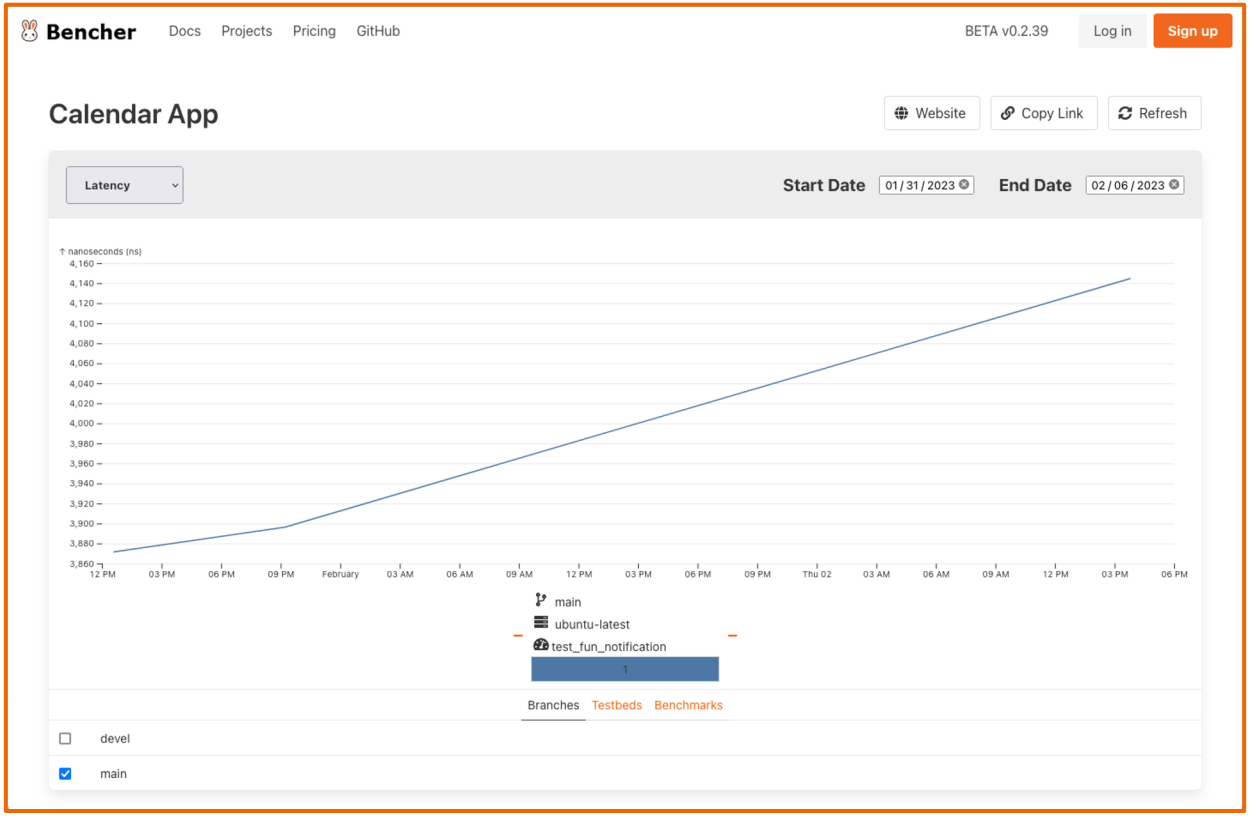

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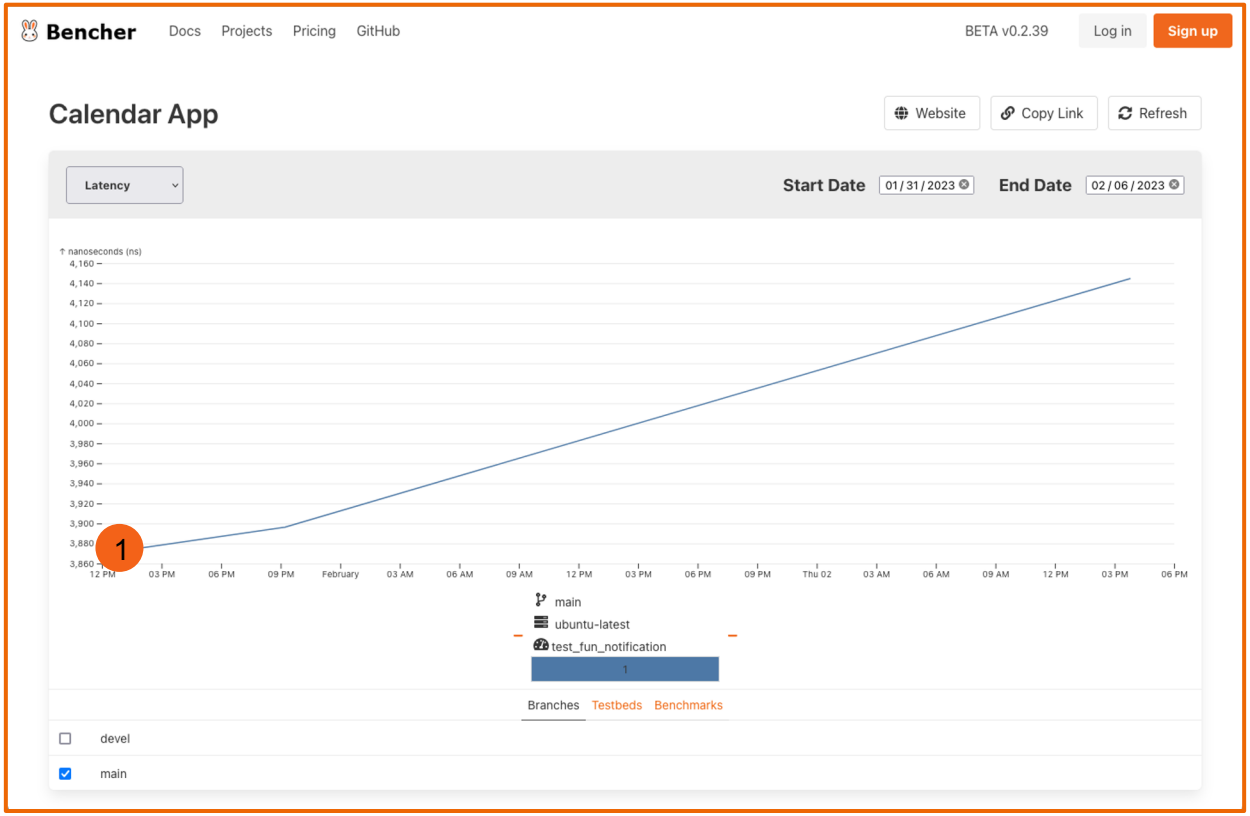

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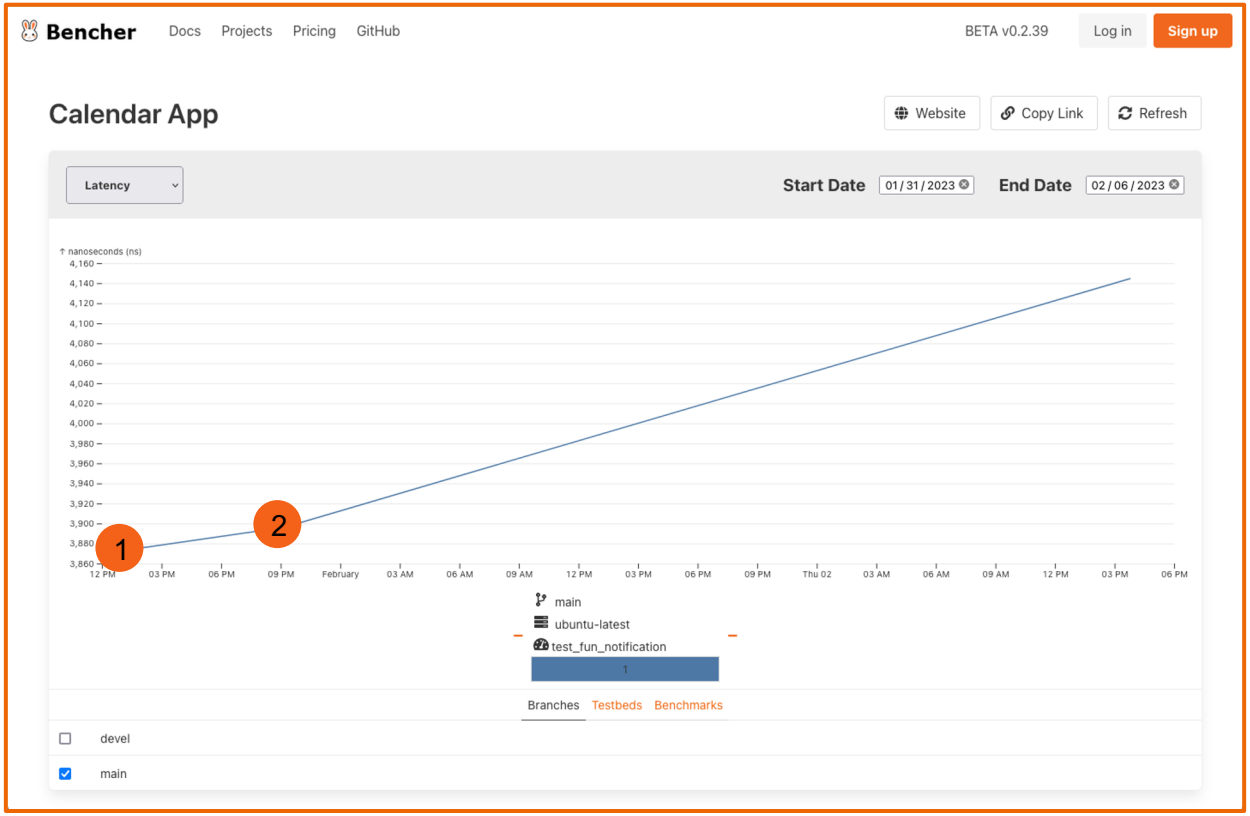

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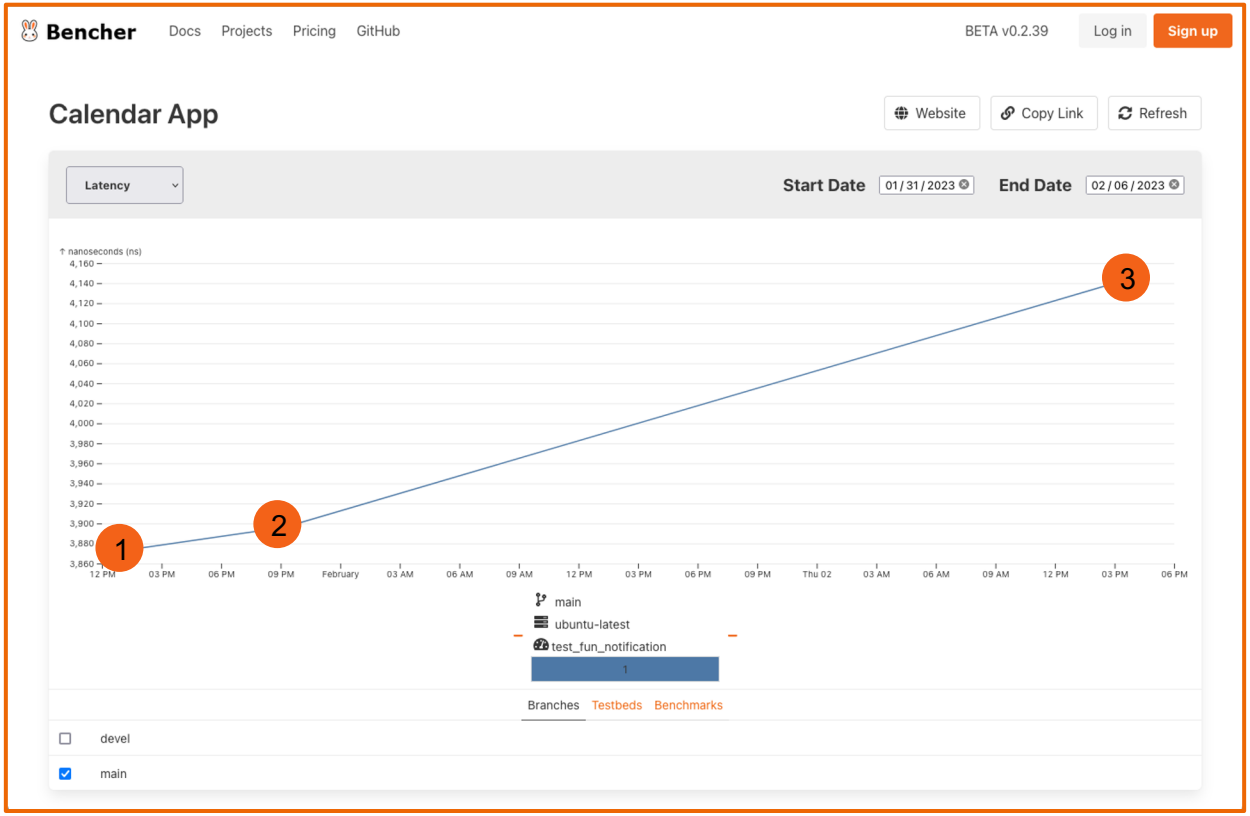

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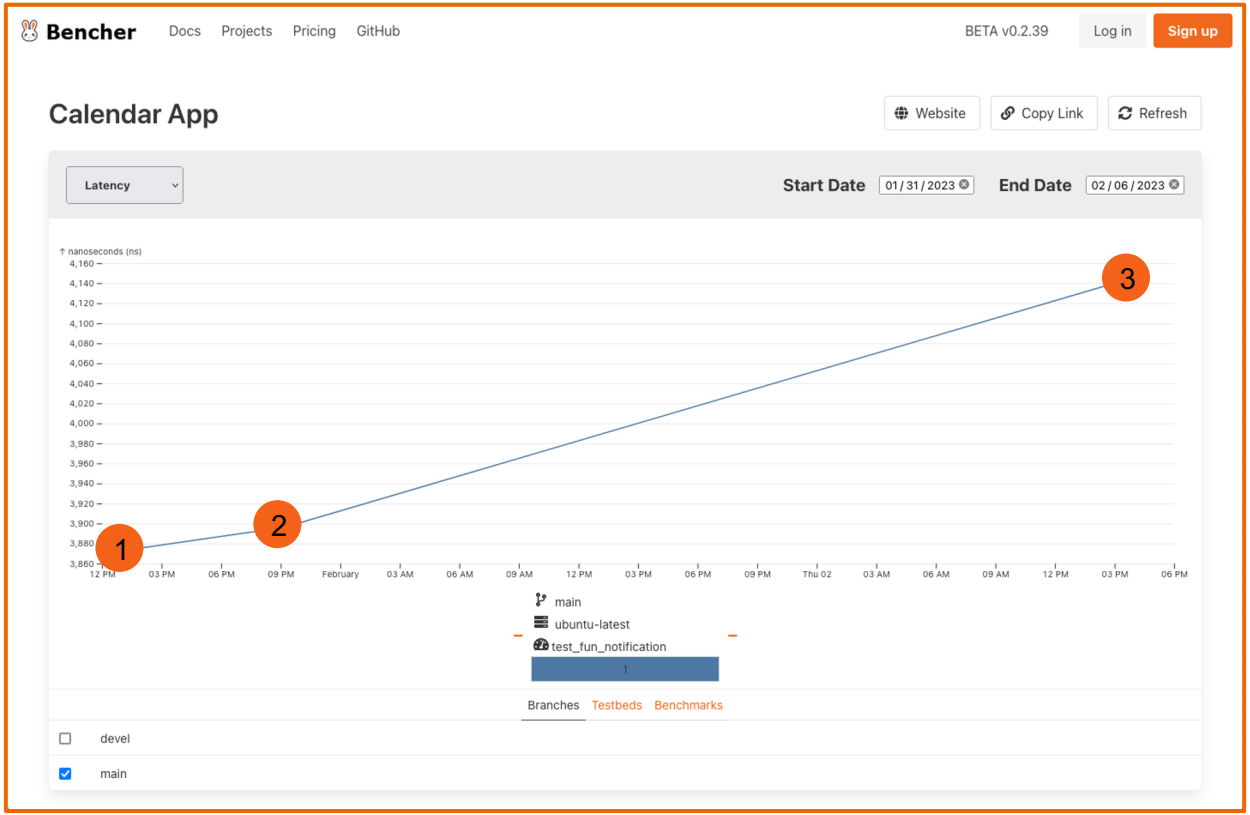

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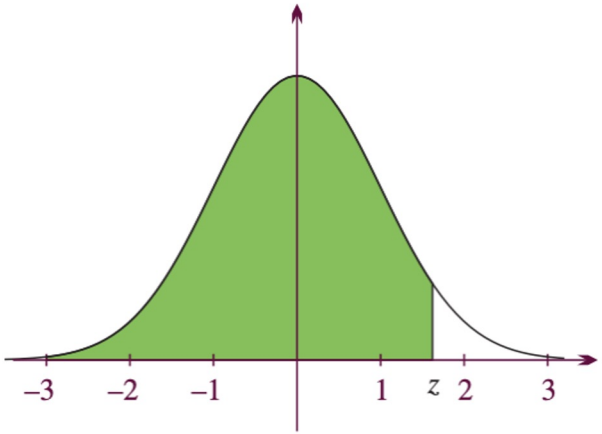

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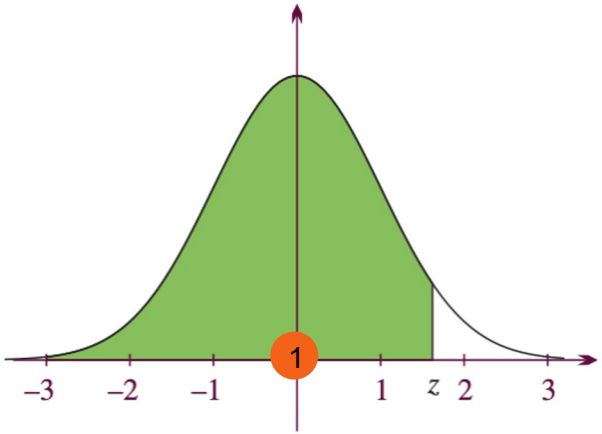

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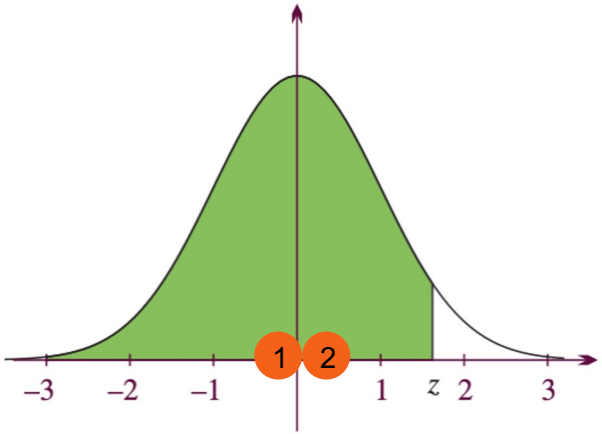

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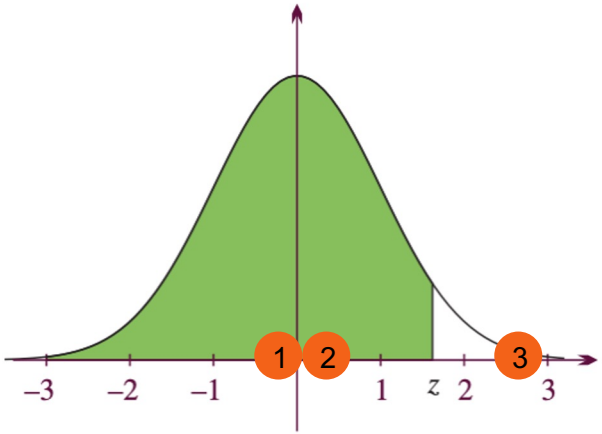

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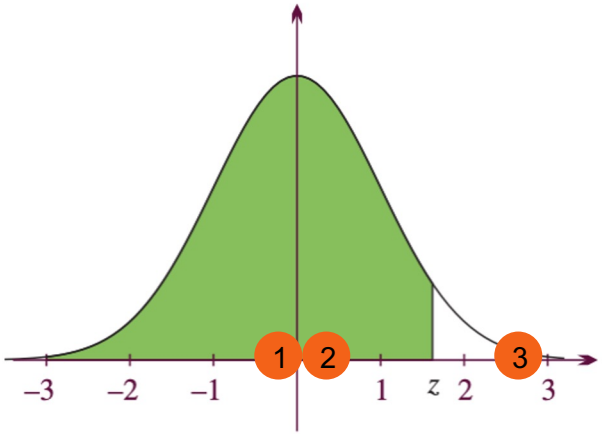

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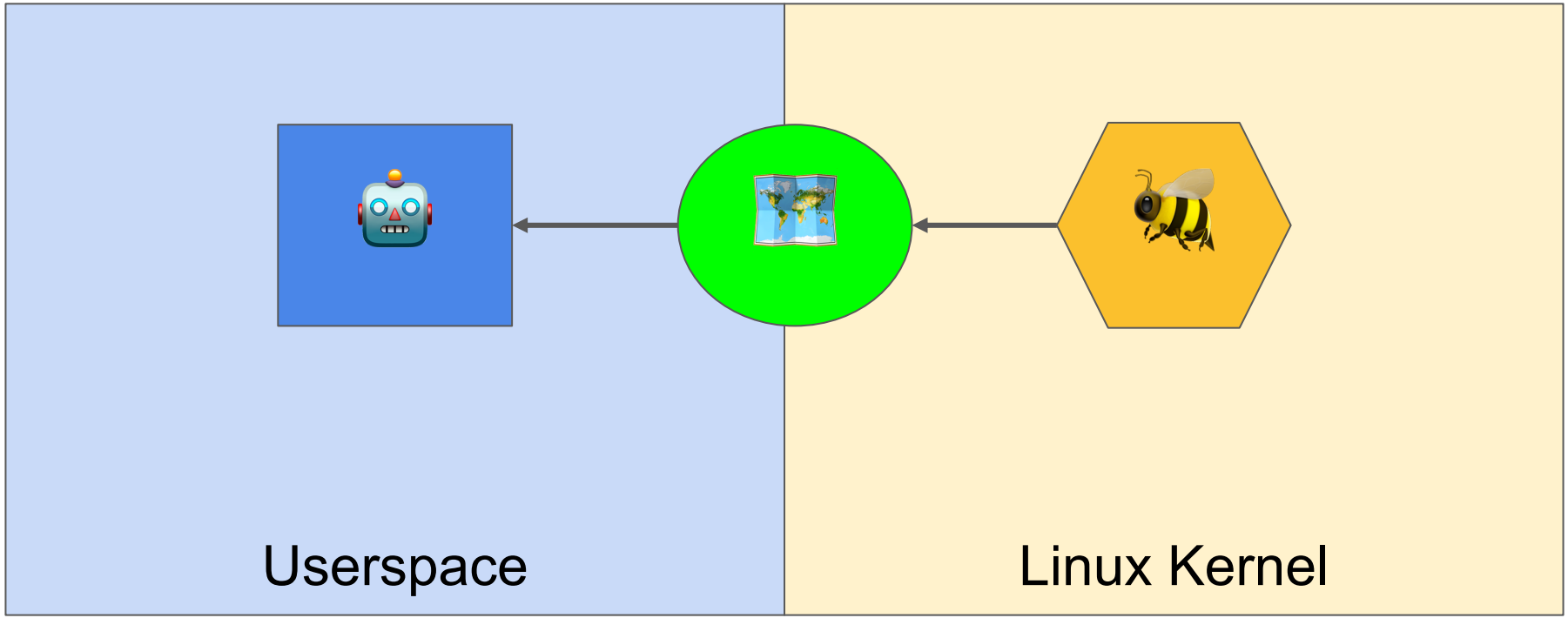

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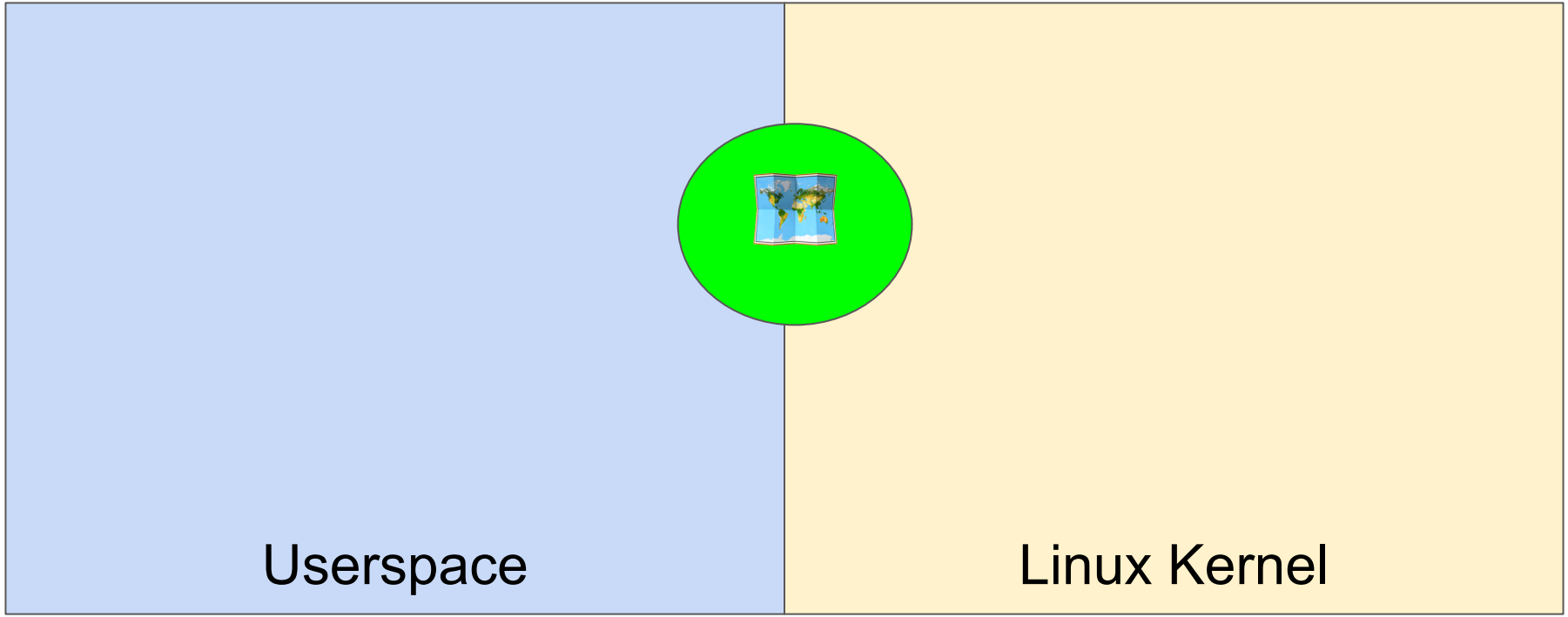

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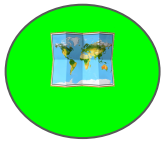

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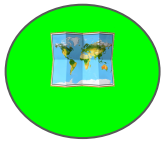

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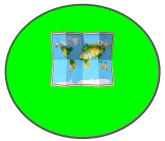

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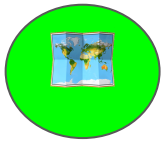

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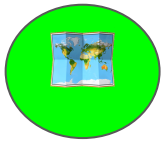

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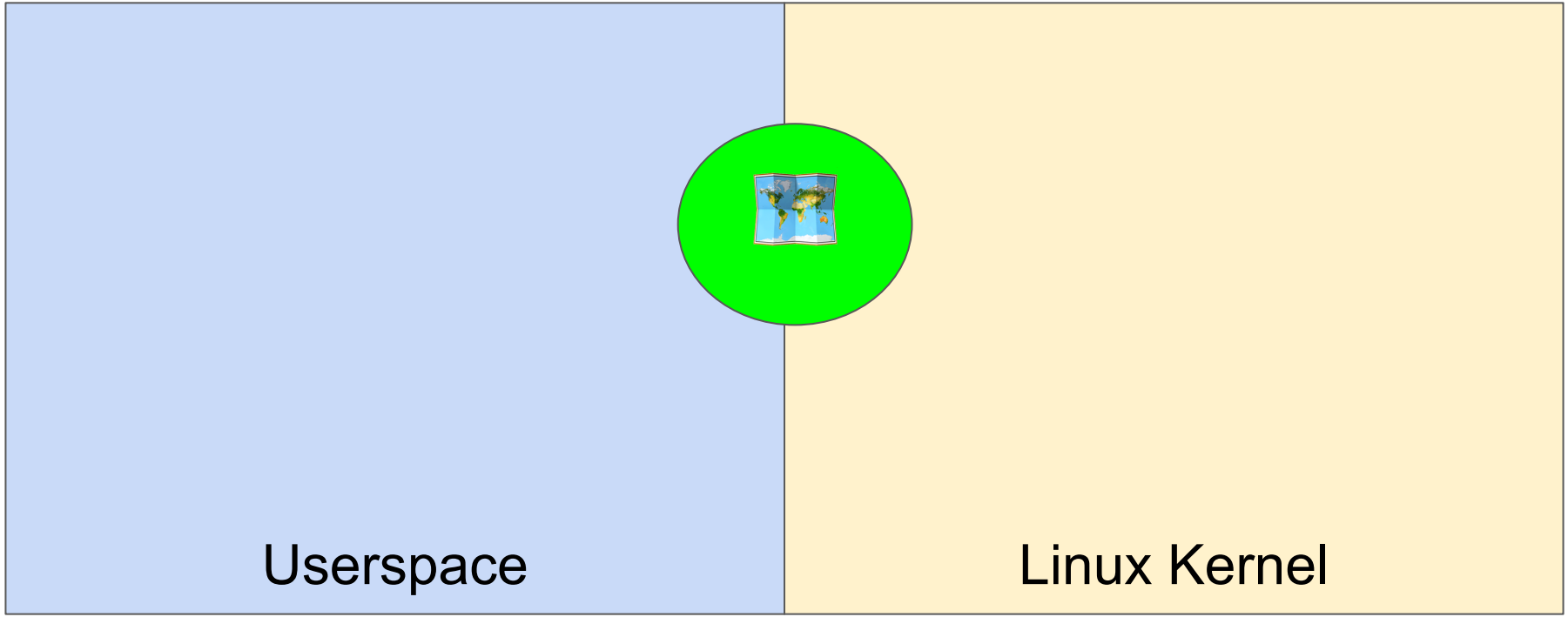

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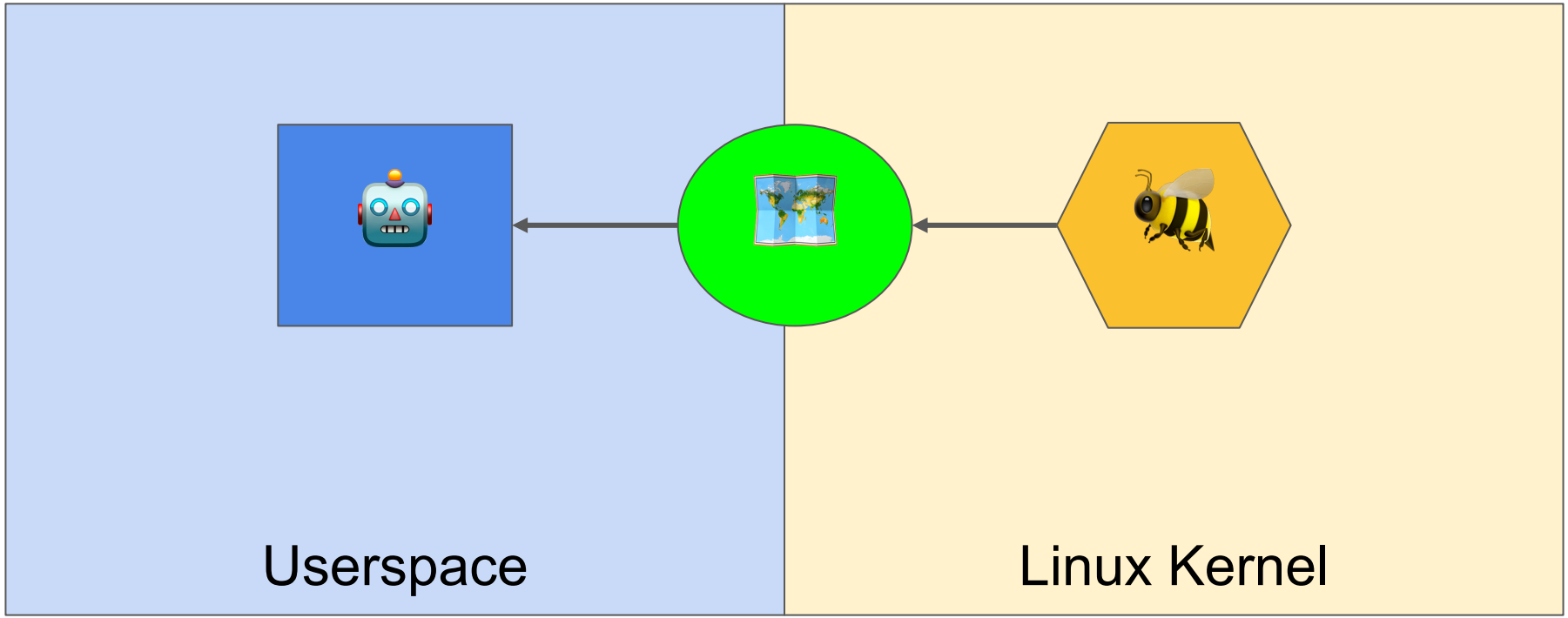

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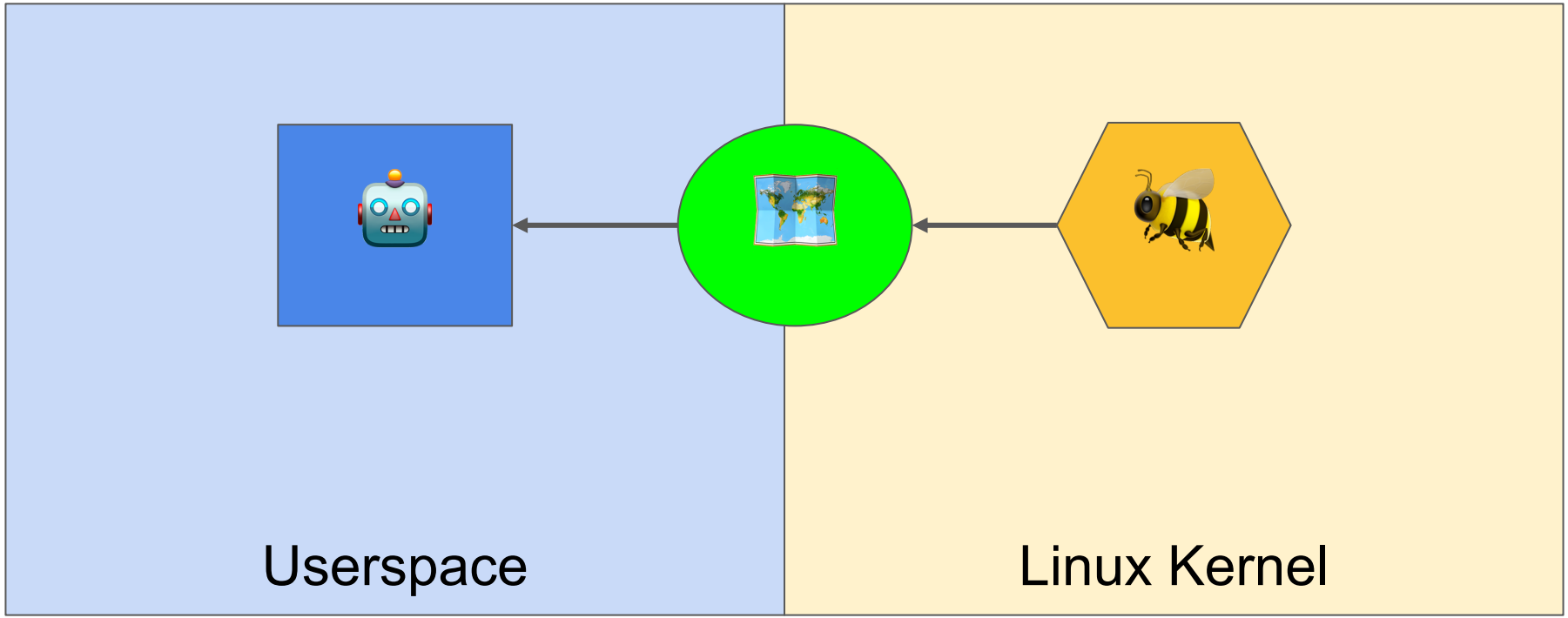

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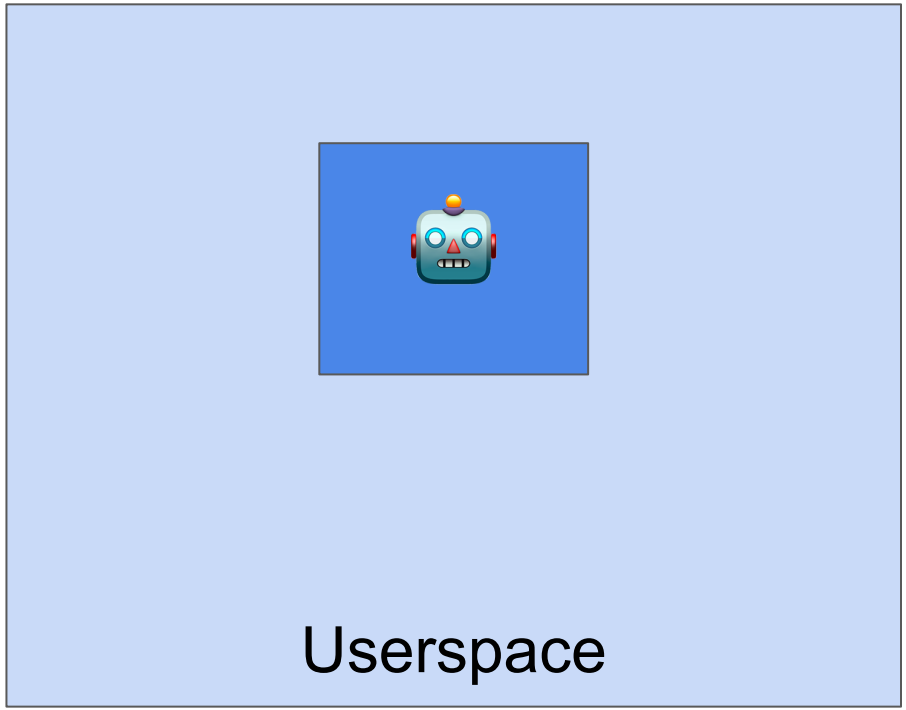

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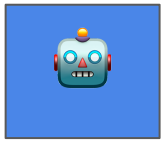

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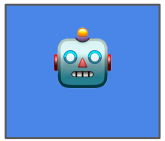

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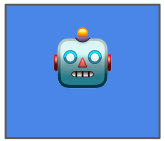

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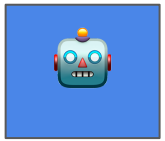

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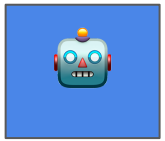

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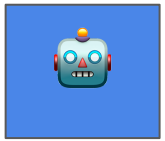

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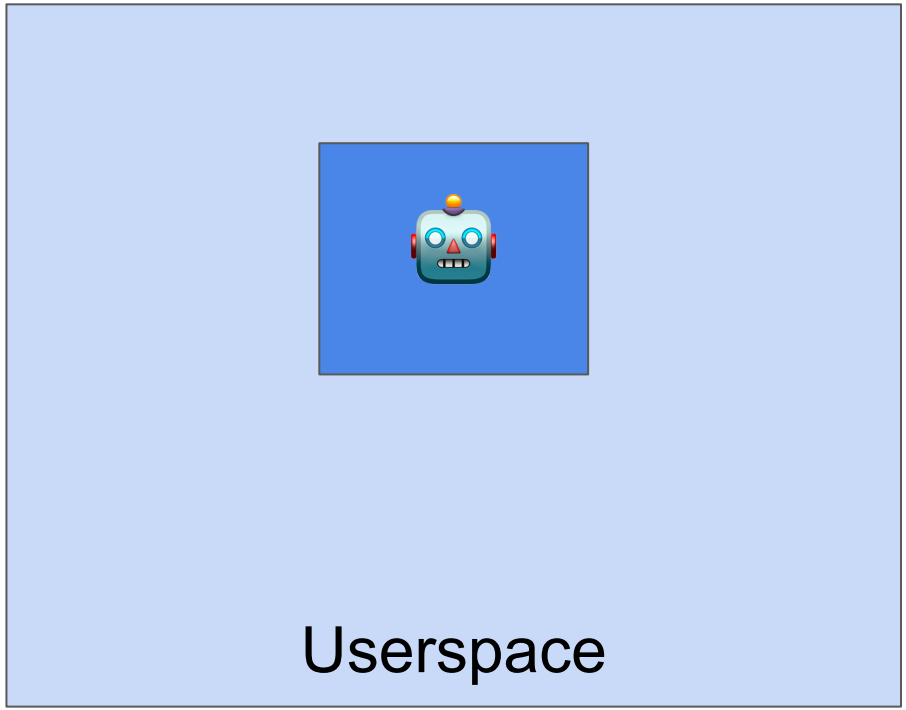

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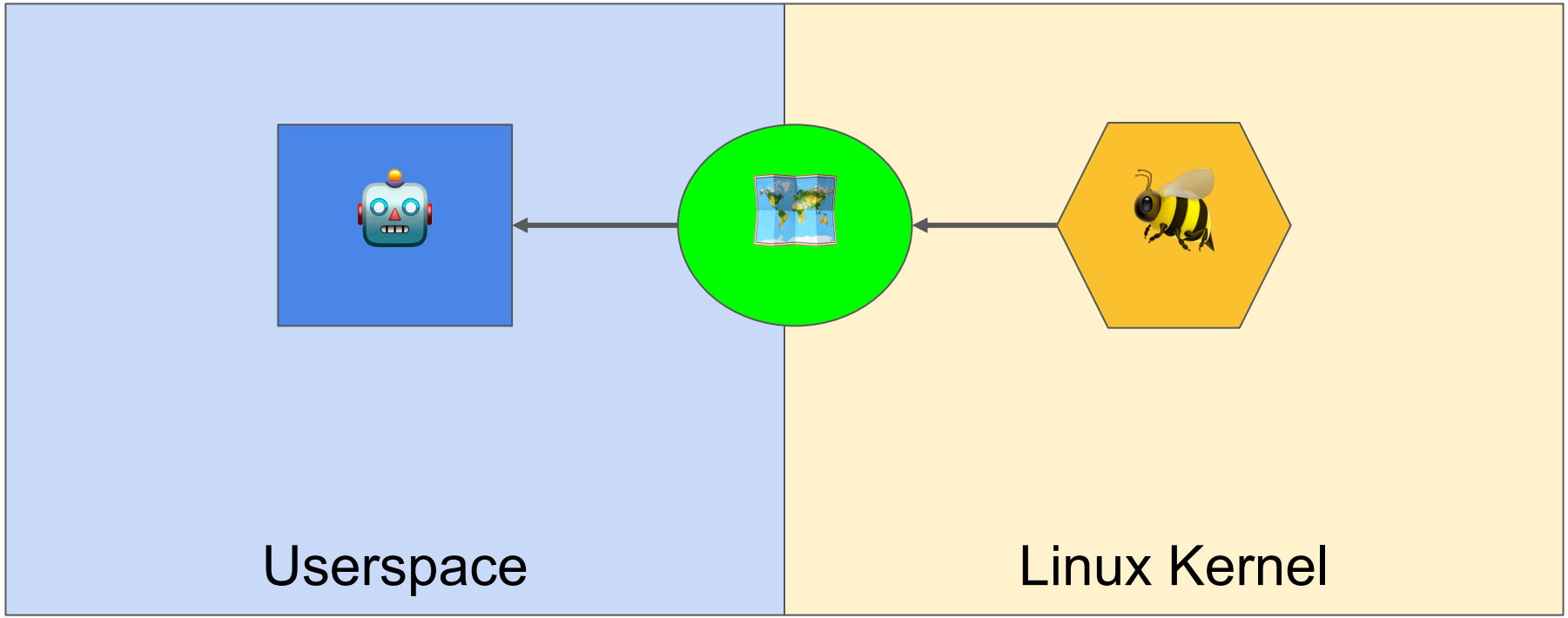

Catch performance regressions in CI

Add Bencher to GitHub Actions

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benchmark:
  name: Run benchmarks
  runs-on: ubuntu-latest
  env:
    BENCHER_PROJECT: fun_xdp
    BENCHER_TESTBED: ubuntu-latest
    BENCHER_ADAPTER: rust_criterion
    BENCHER_API_TOKEN: ${{ secrets.BENCHER_API_TOKEN }}
  steps:
    - uses: actions/checkout@v3
    - uses: bencherdev/bencher@v0.3.15
    - name: Benchmark with Bencher
      run: |
        cd examples/ebpf/ebp-common
        bencher run --if-branch $GITHUB_REF_NAME --err "cargo bench"
```

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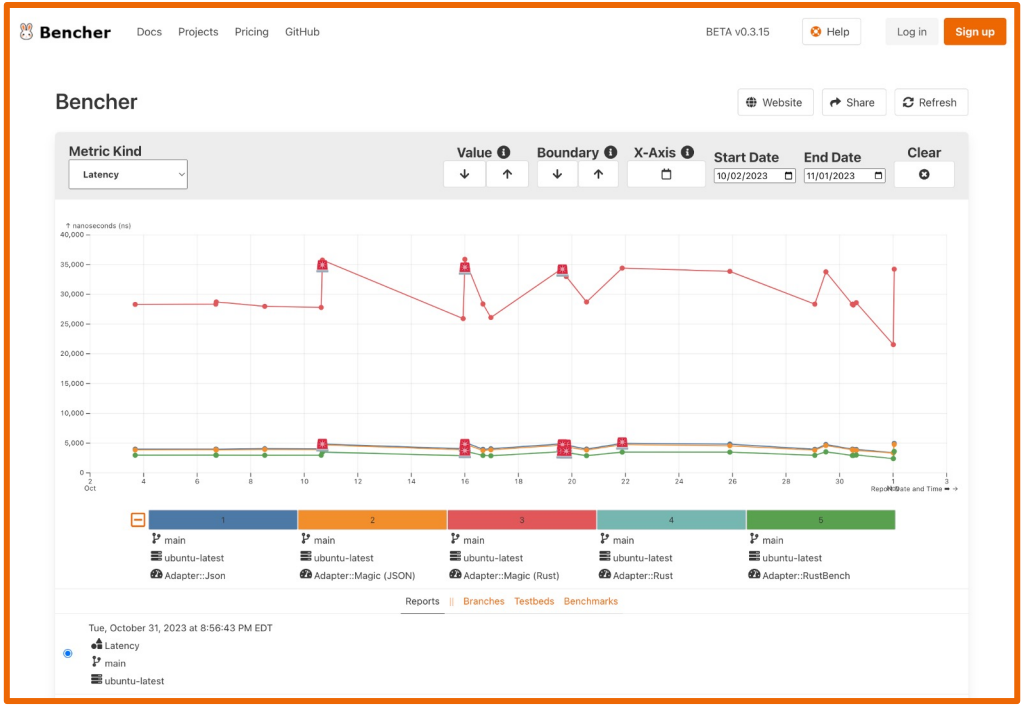

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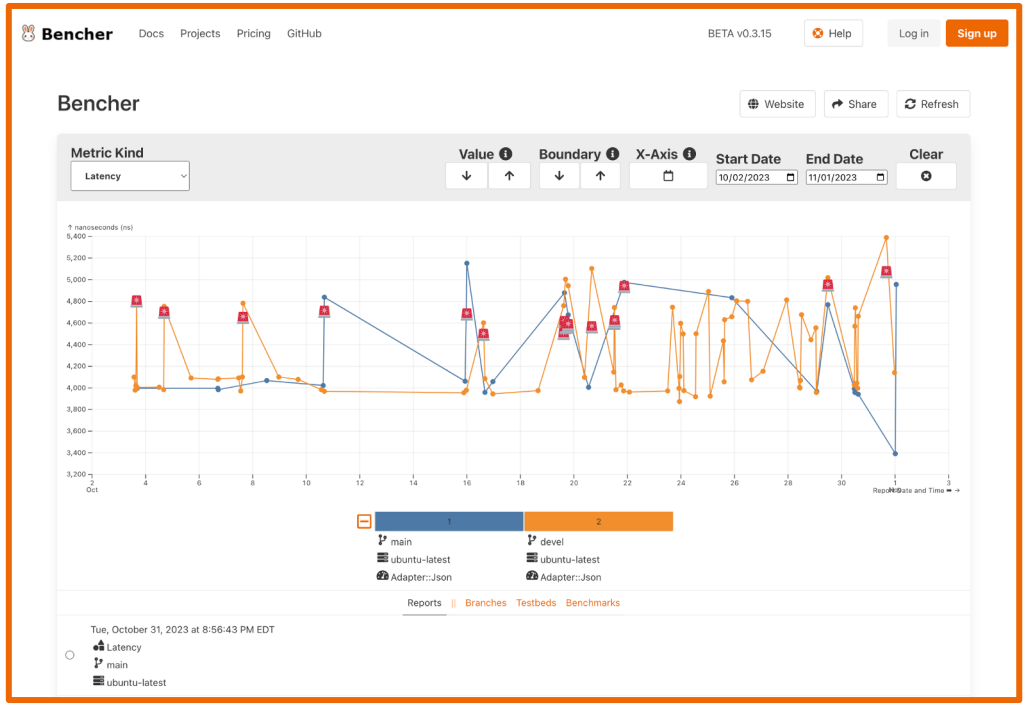

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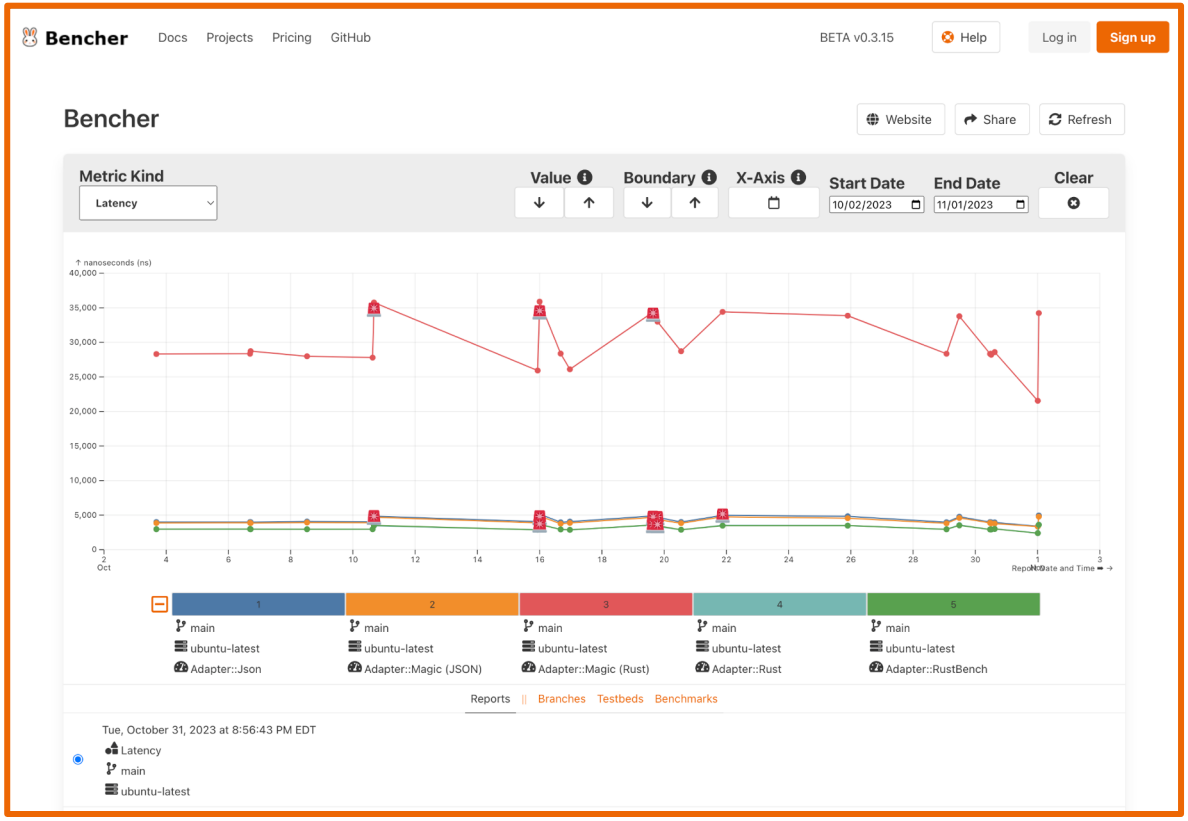

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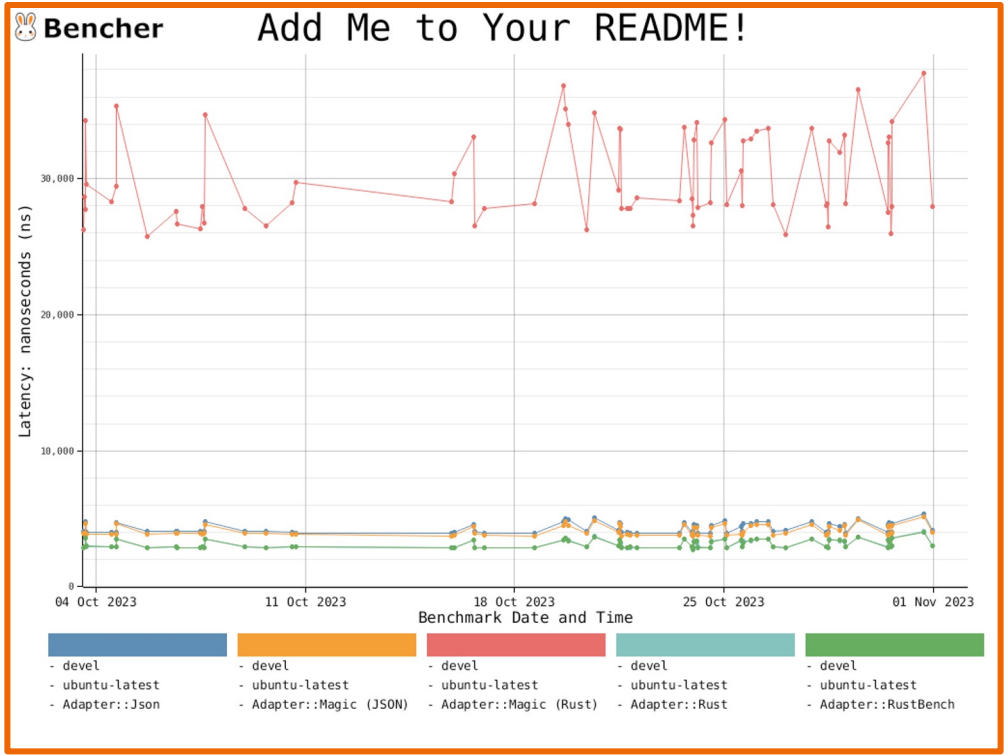

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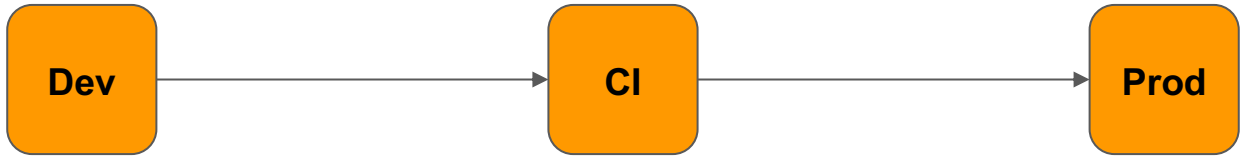

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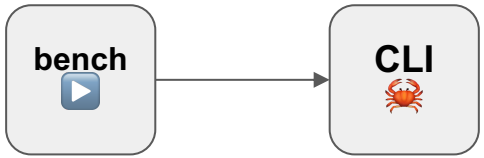

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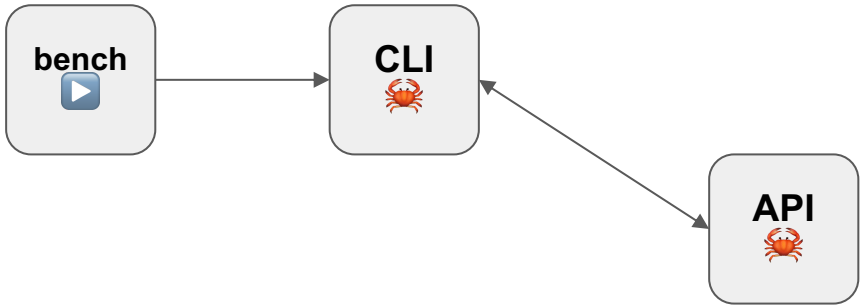

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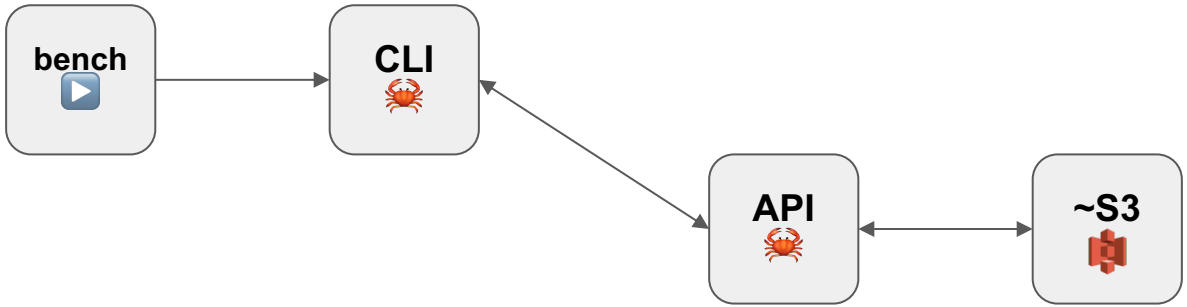

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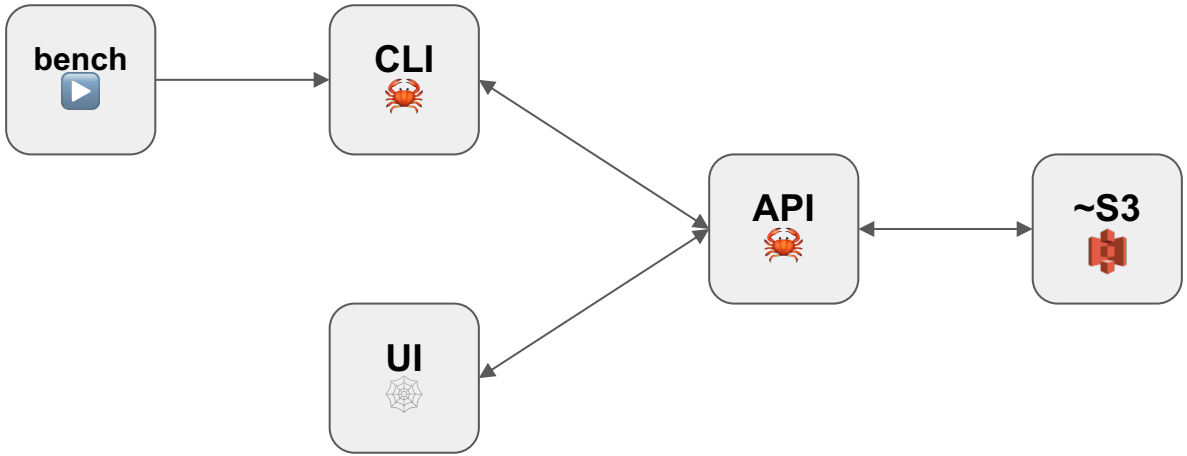

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    let mut attr = unsafe { mem::zeroed::<bpf_attr>() };
    // info gets entirely populated by the kernel
    let info = MaybeUninit::zeroed();

    attr.enable_stats.type = BPF_STATS_RUN_TIME;

    match sys_bpf(bpf_cmd::BPF_ENABLE_STATS, &attr, mem::size_of::<bpf_attr>()) {
        Ok(_) => Ok(unsafe { info.assume_init() }),
        Err((_, err)) => Err(err),
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241: xdp  name fun_xdp  tag 2a12b6a683c5a7b6  gpl run_time_ns 9682091 run_cnt 1043
        loaded_at 2023-04-30T09:09:33-0400  uid 0
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memlock:        8192
prog_id:        241
run_time_ns:    260673612
run_cnt:        28980
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    attr.info.bpf_fd = prog_fd as u32;
    attr.info.info = &info as *const _ as u64;
    attr.info.info_len = mem::size_of::<bpf_prog_info>() as u32;

    match sys_bpf(bpf_cmd::BPF_OBJ_GET_INFO_BY_FD, &attr) {
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