



Privacy-Preserving Set Operations

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- Many practical privacy problems share certain characteristics:
 - Several parties, each with a private input
 - The data cannot be freely shared
 - The parties wish to *privately* compute some function of their joint inputs
 - Often, the inputs are sets or multisets

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Airline
Flight List



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People who must be
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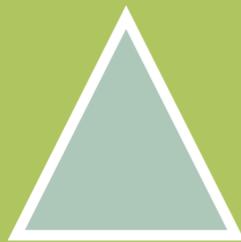


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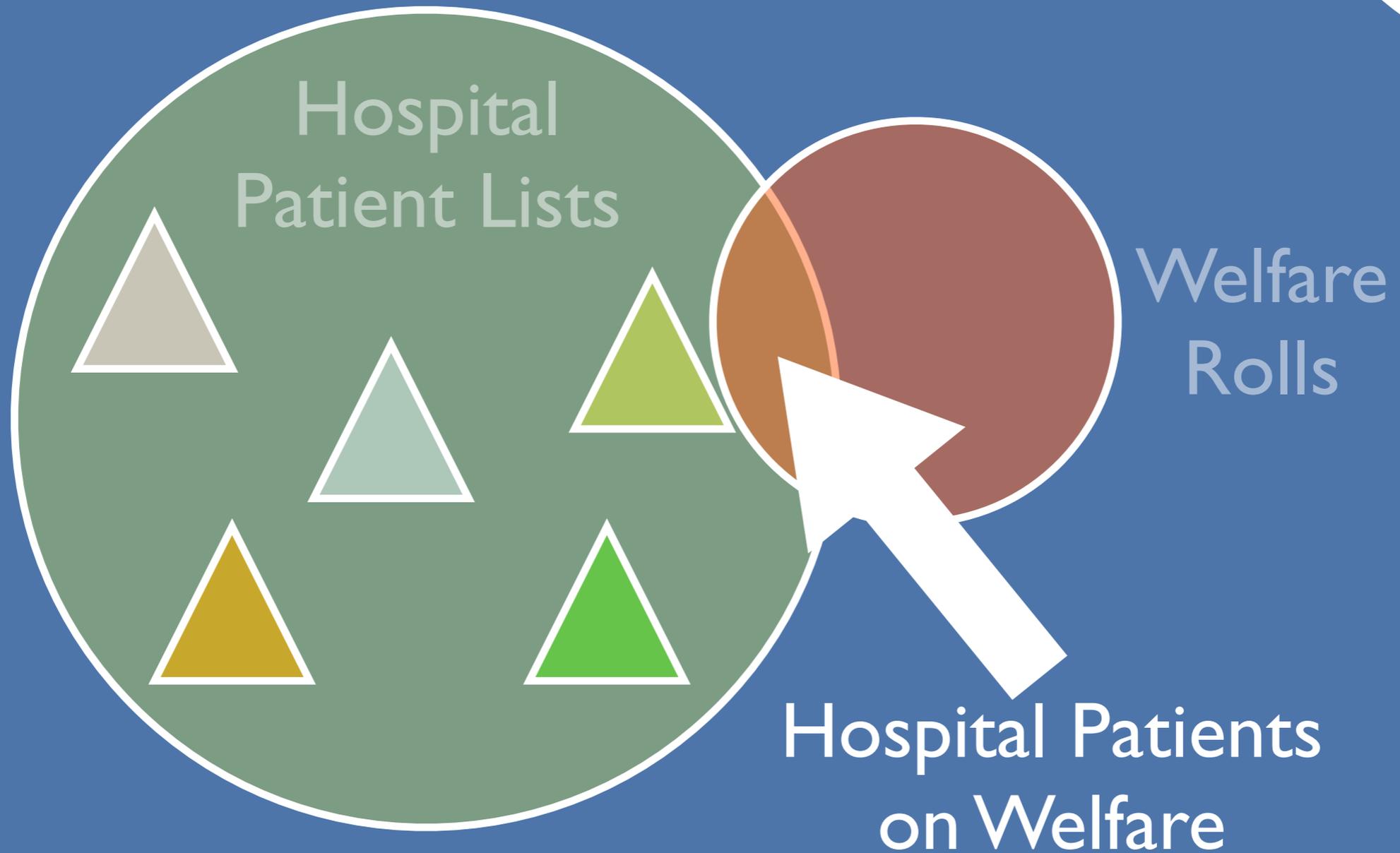
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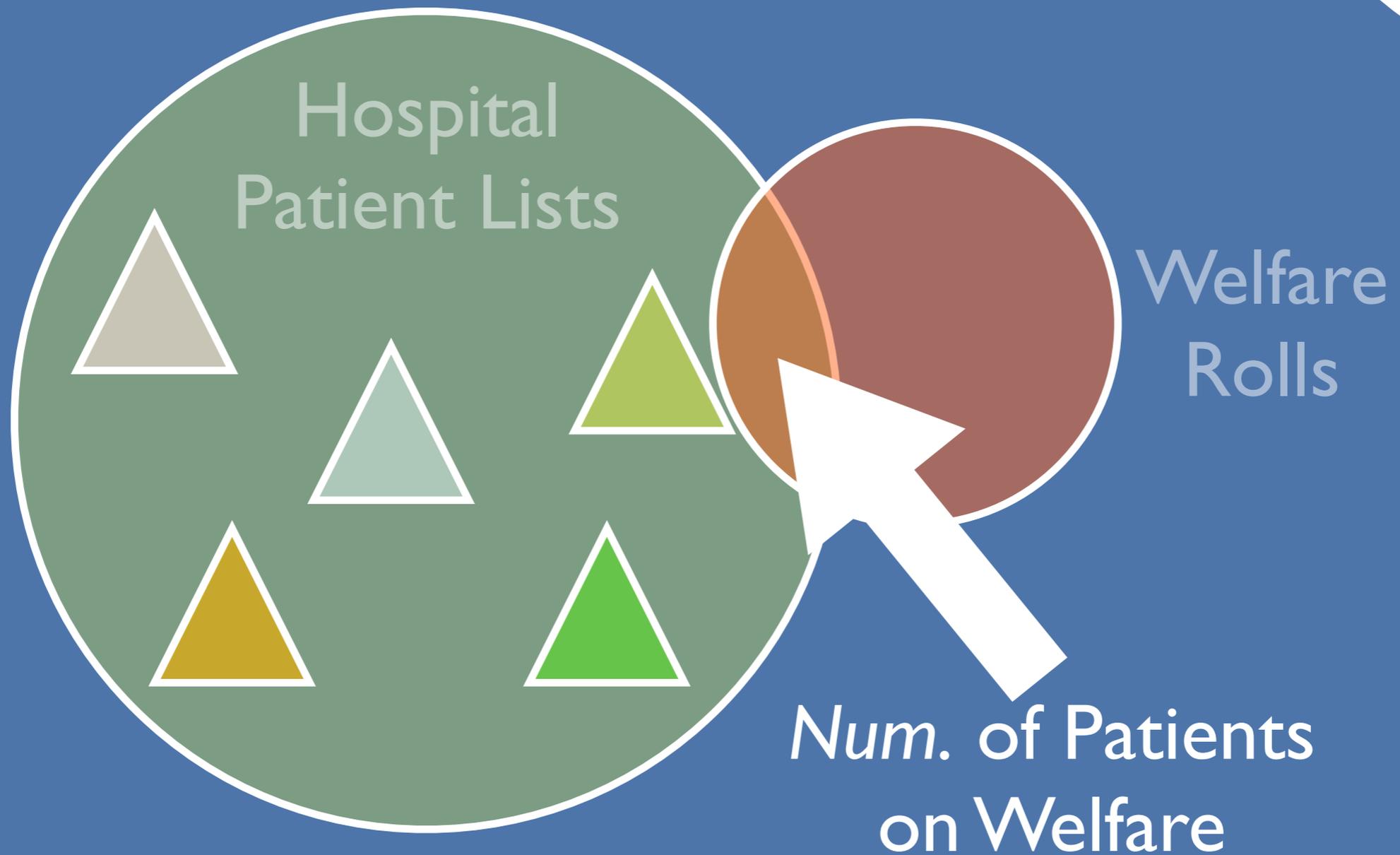


Welfare
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Network Monitoring



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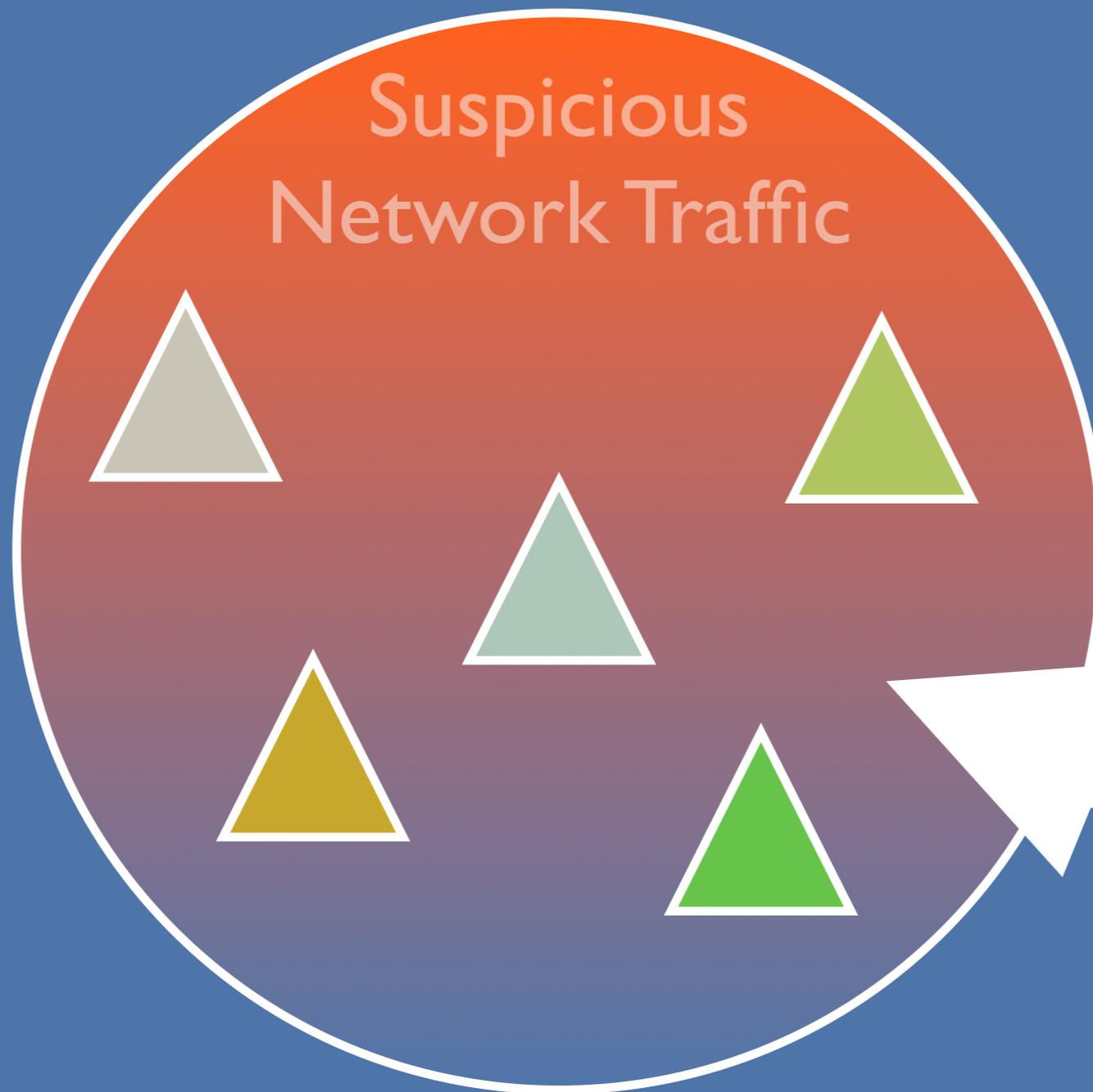
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Attacks which appear often



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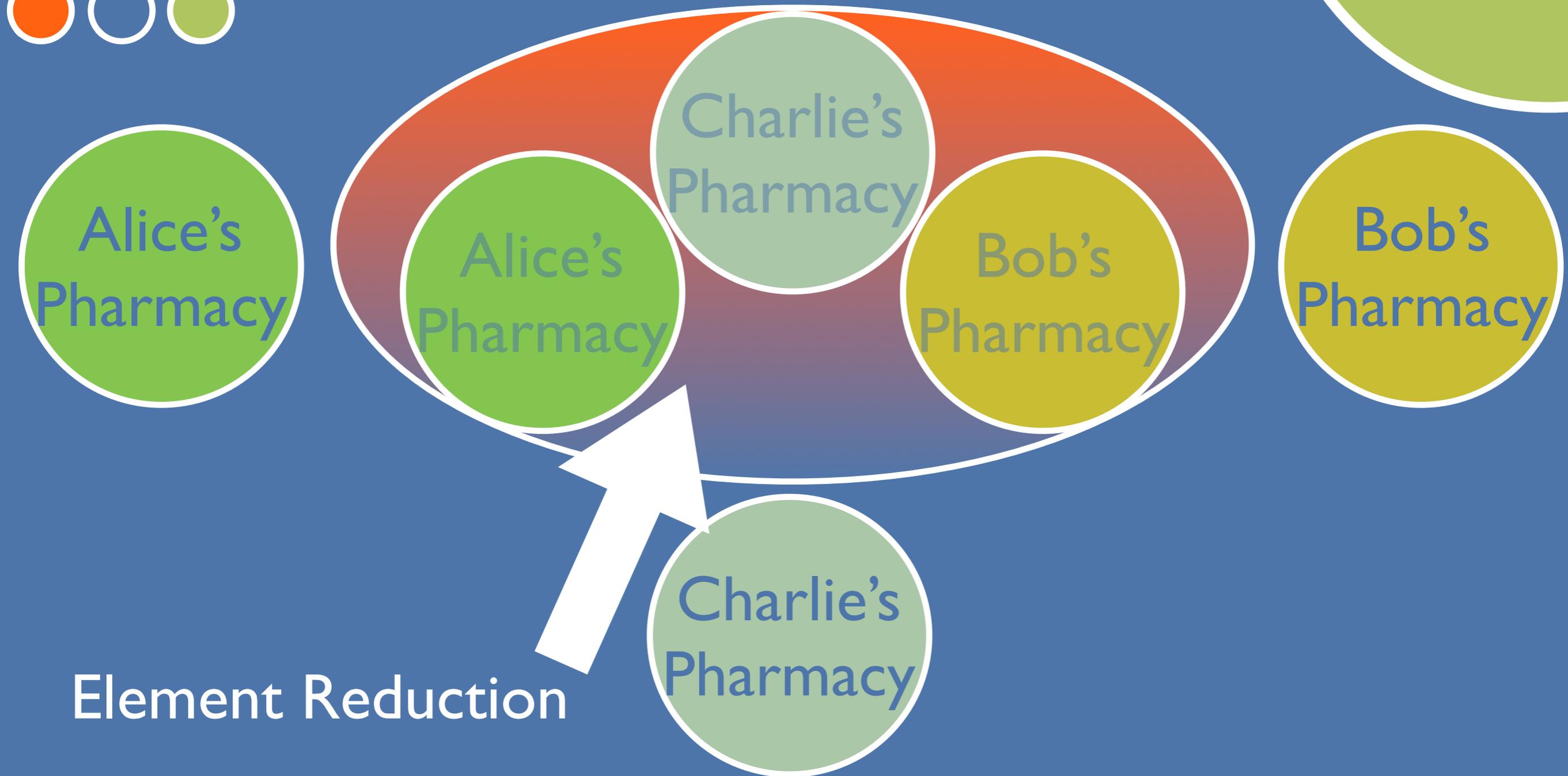
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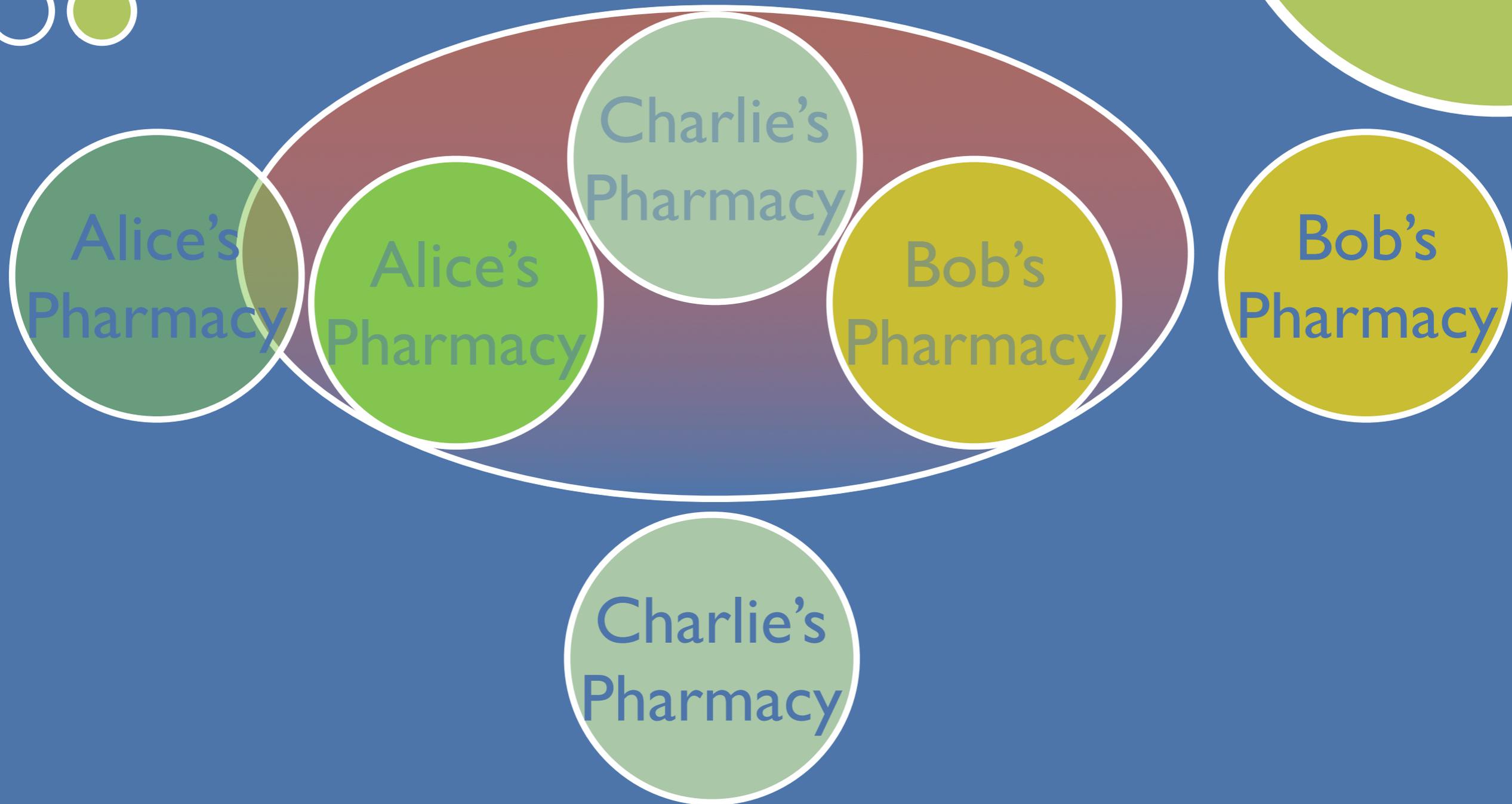
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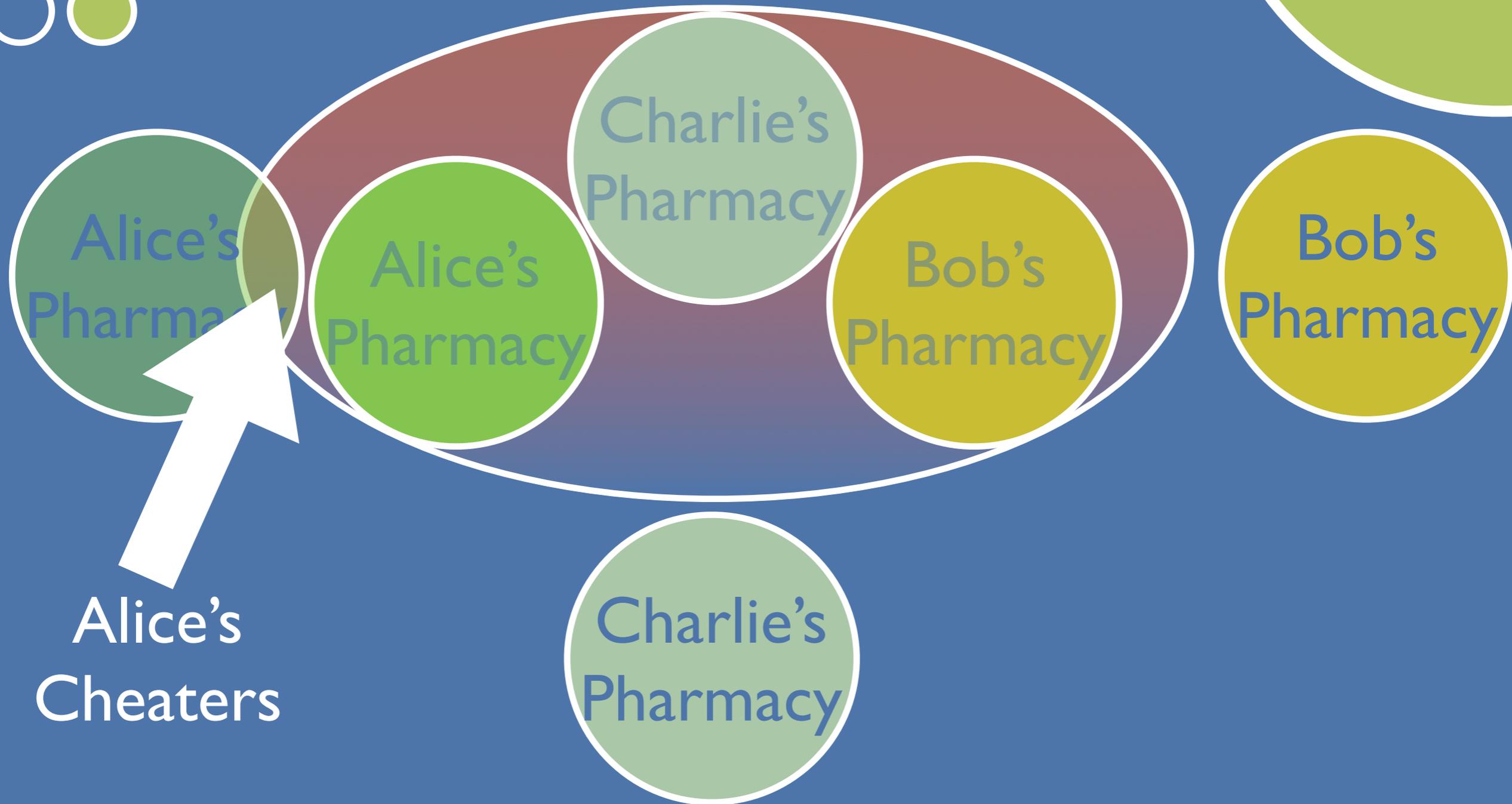


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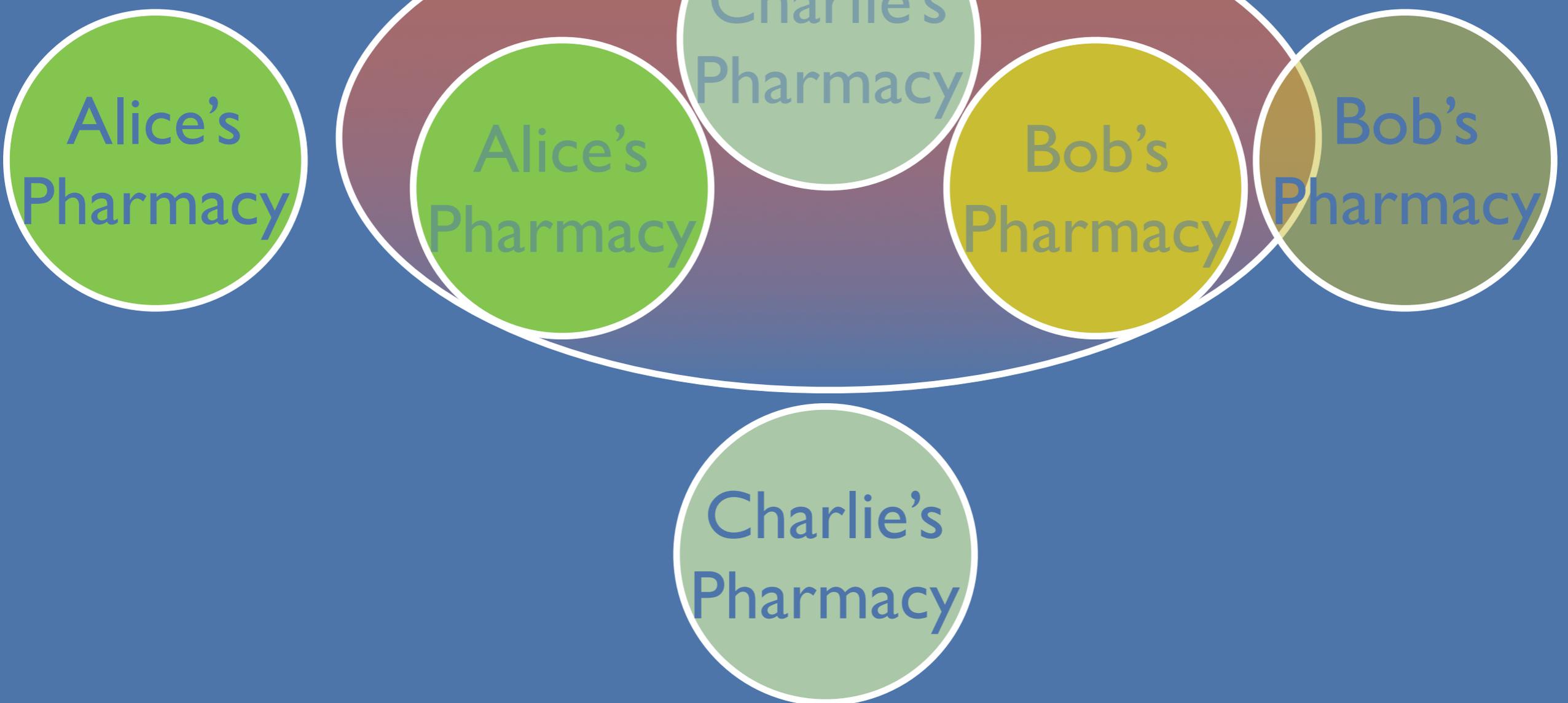


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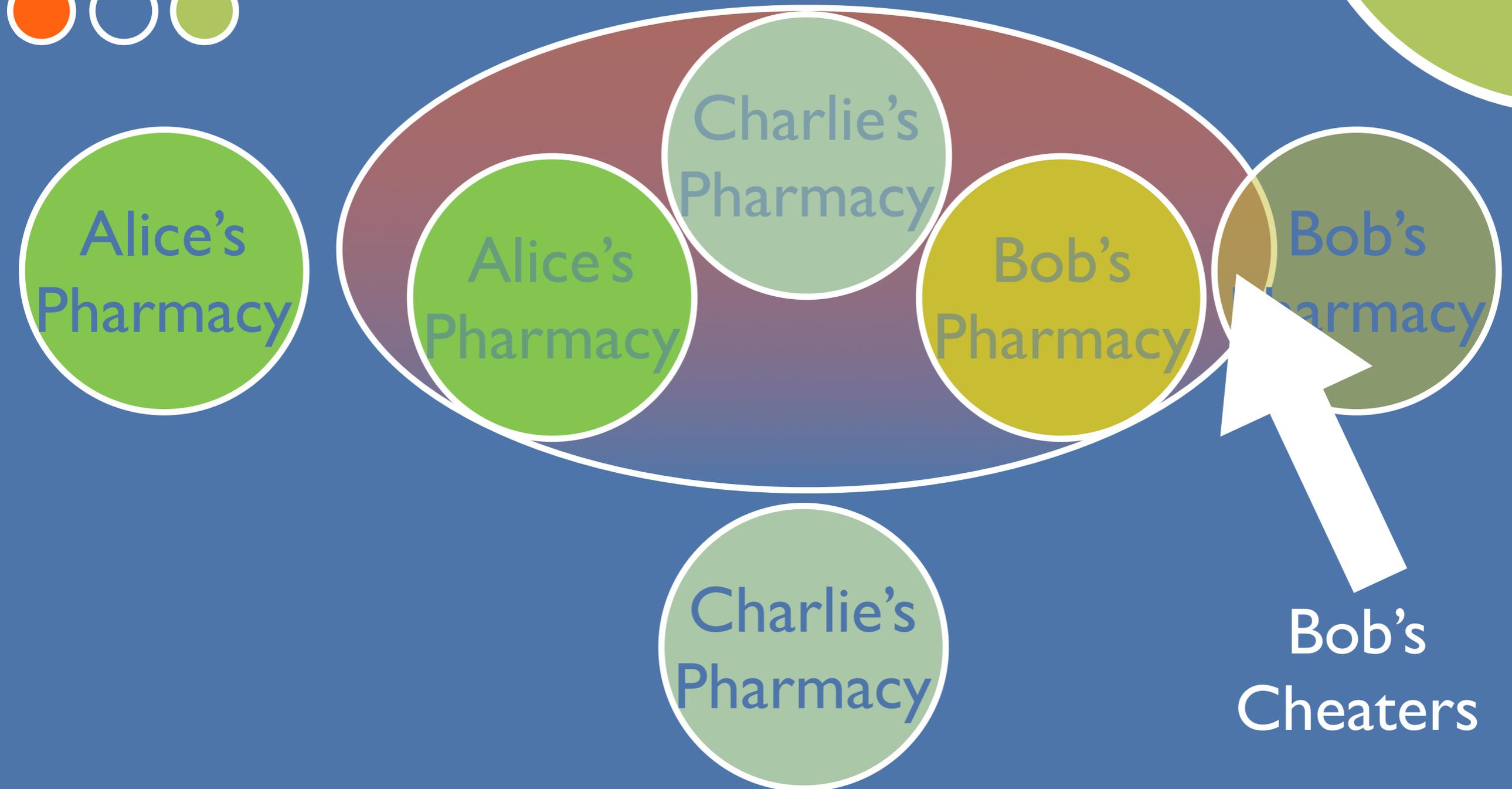
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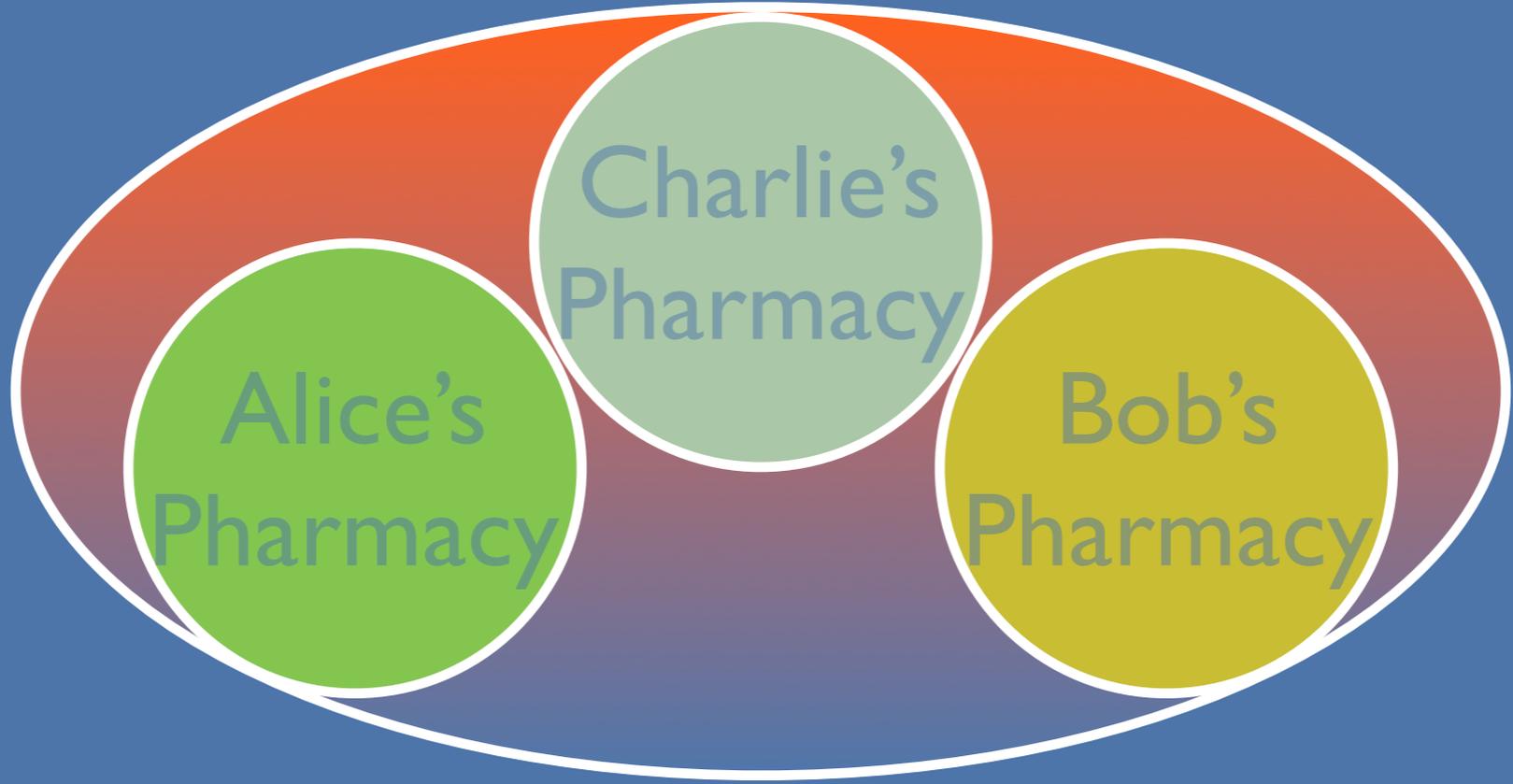
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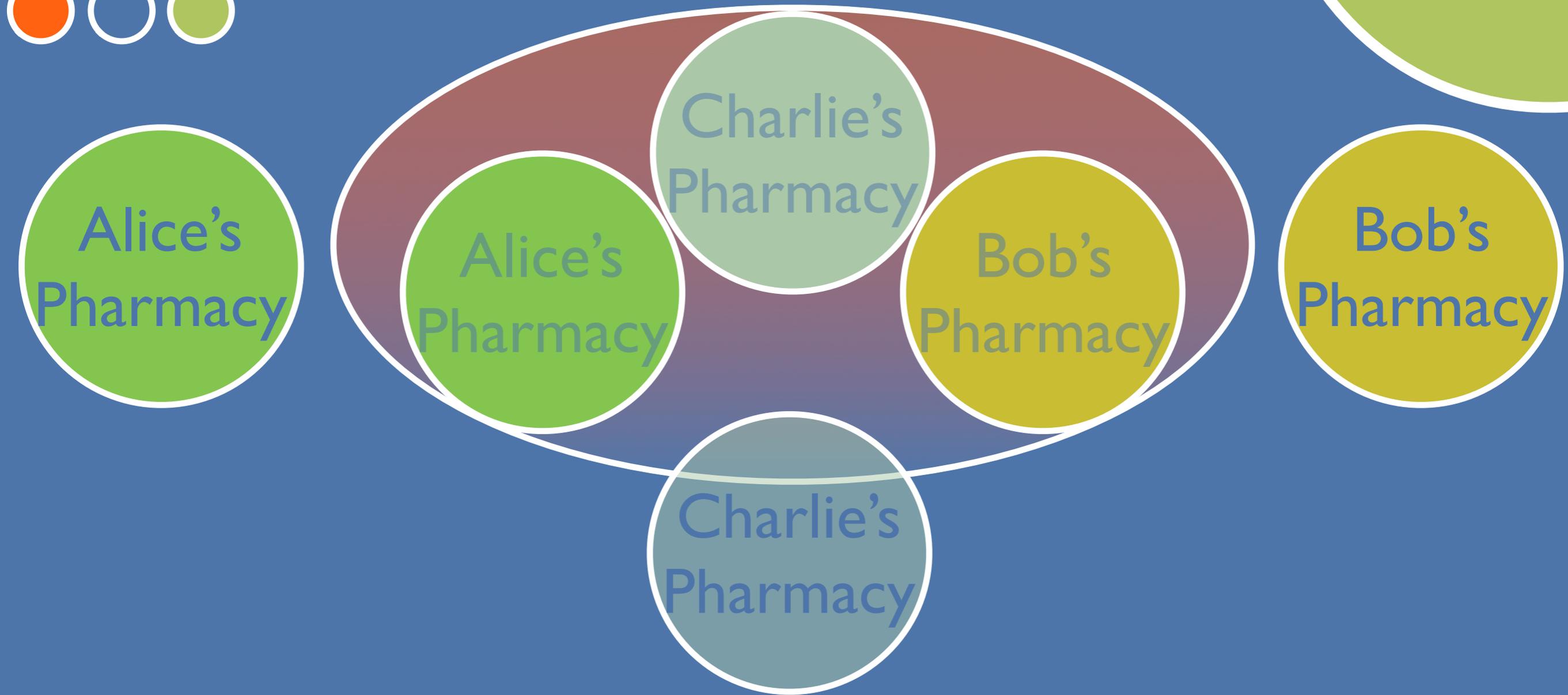
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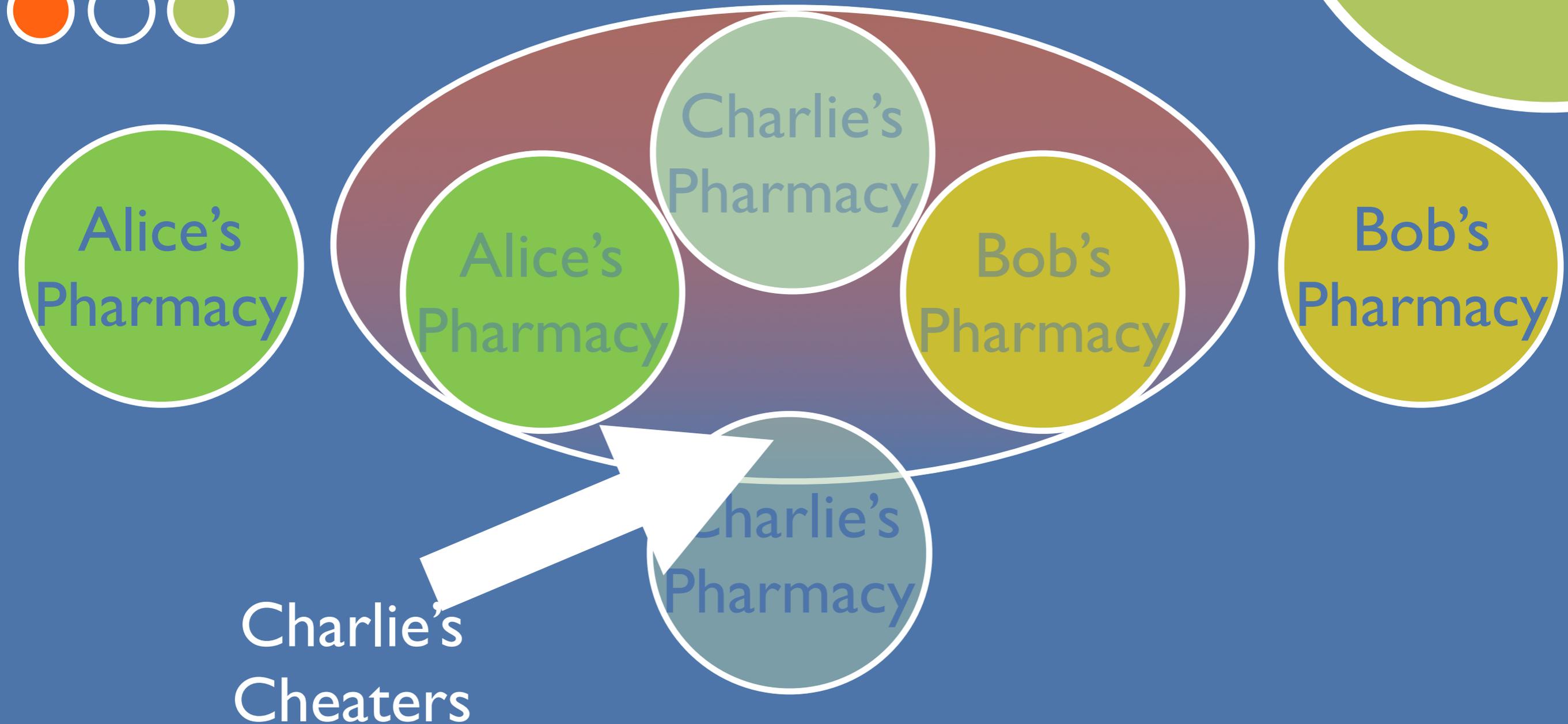
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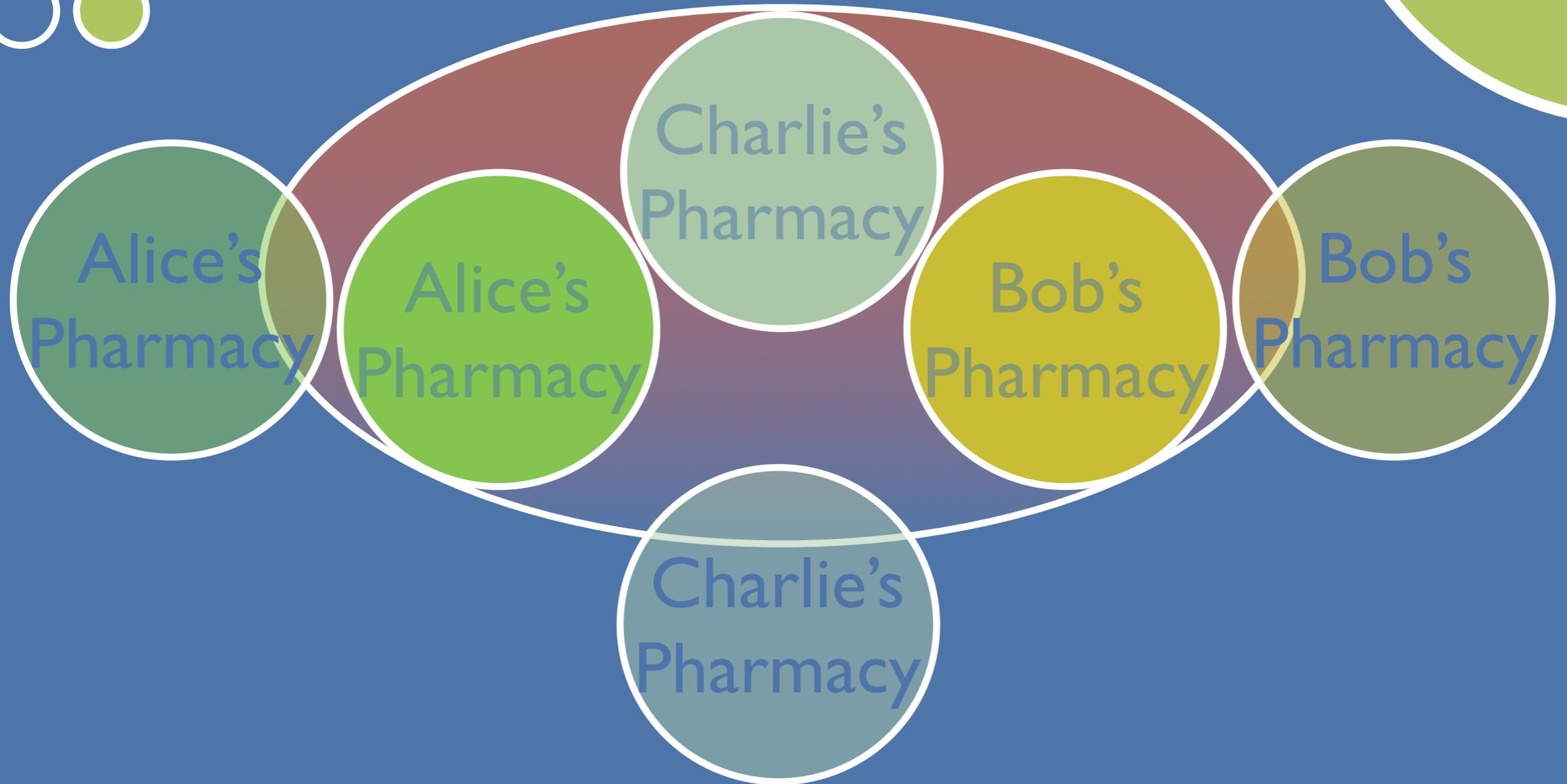
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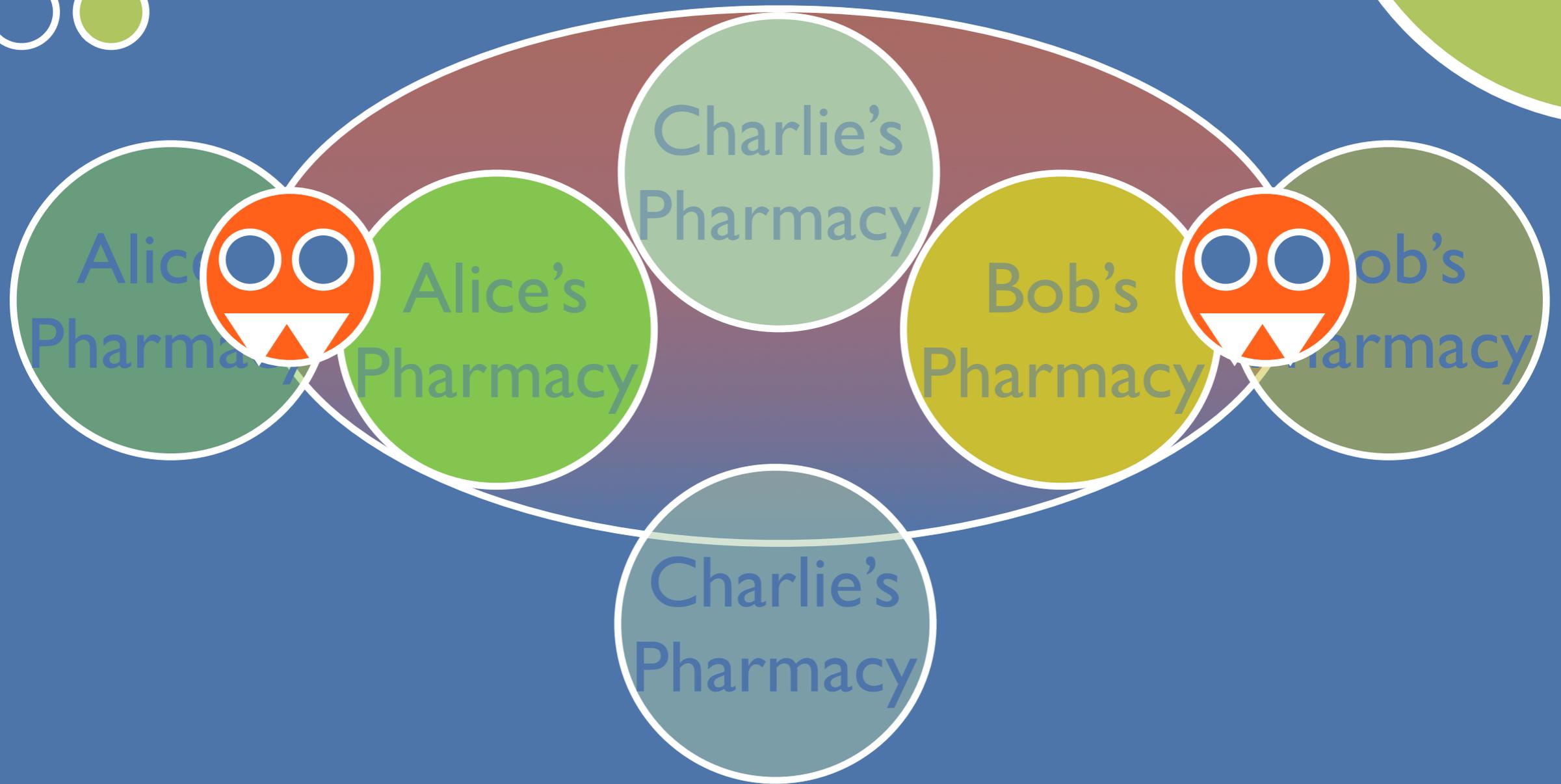
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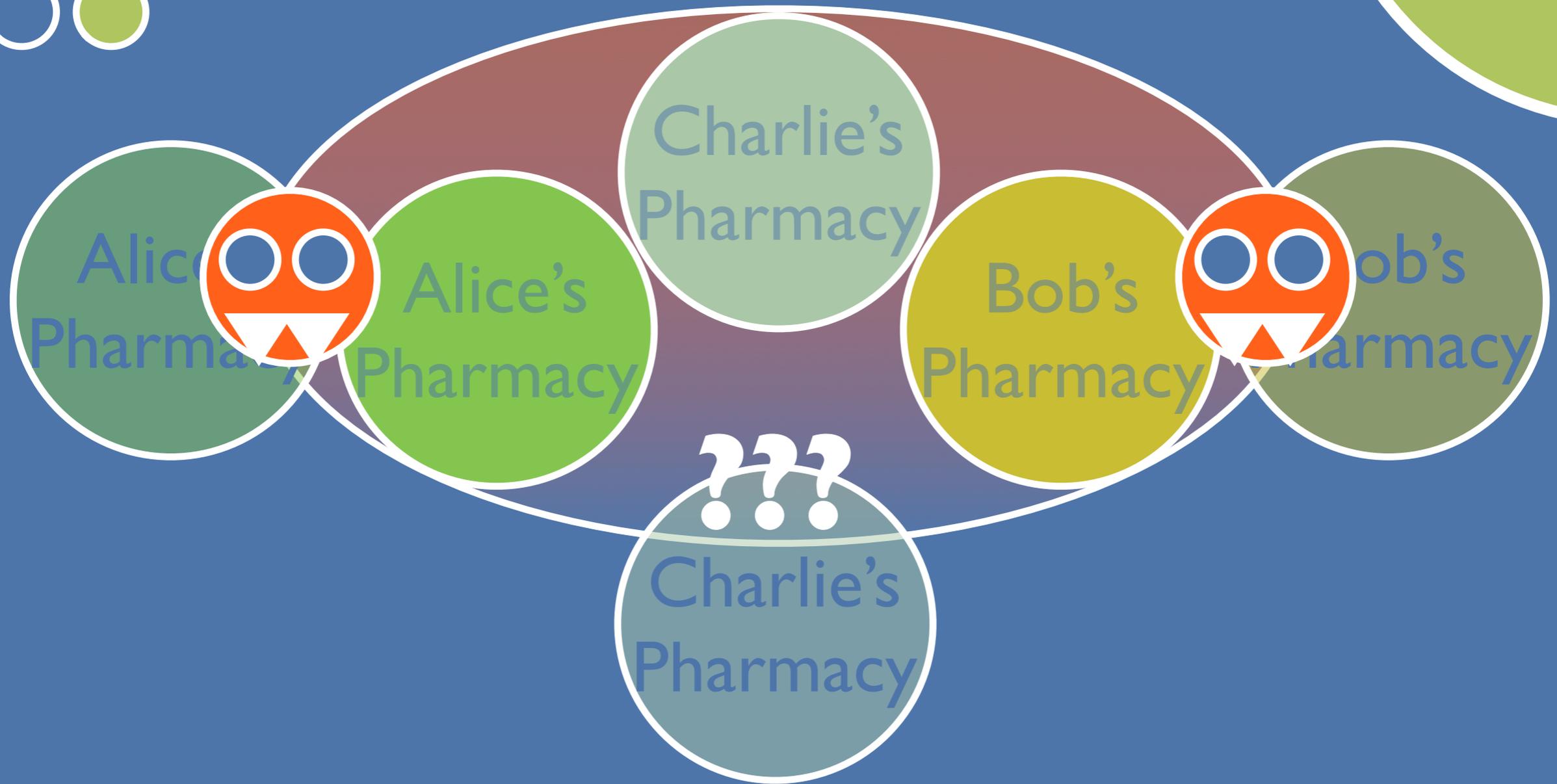
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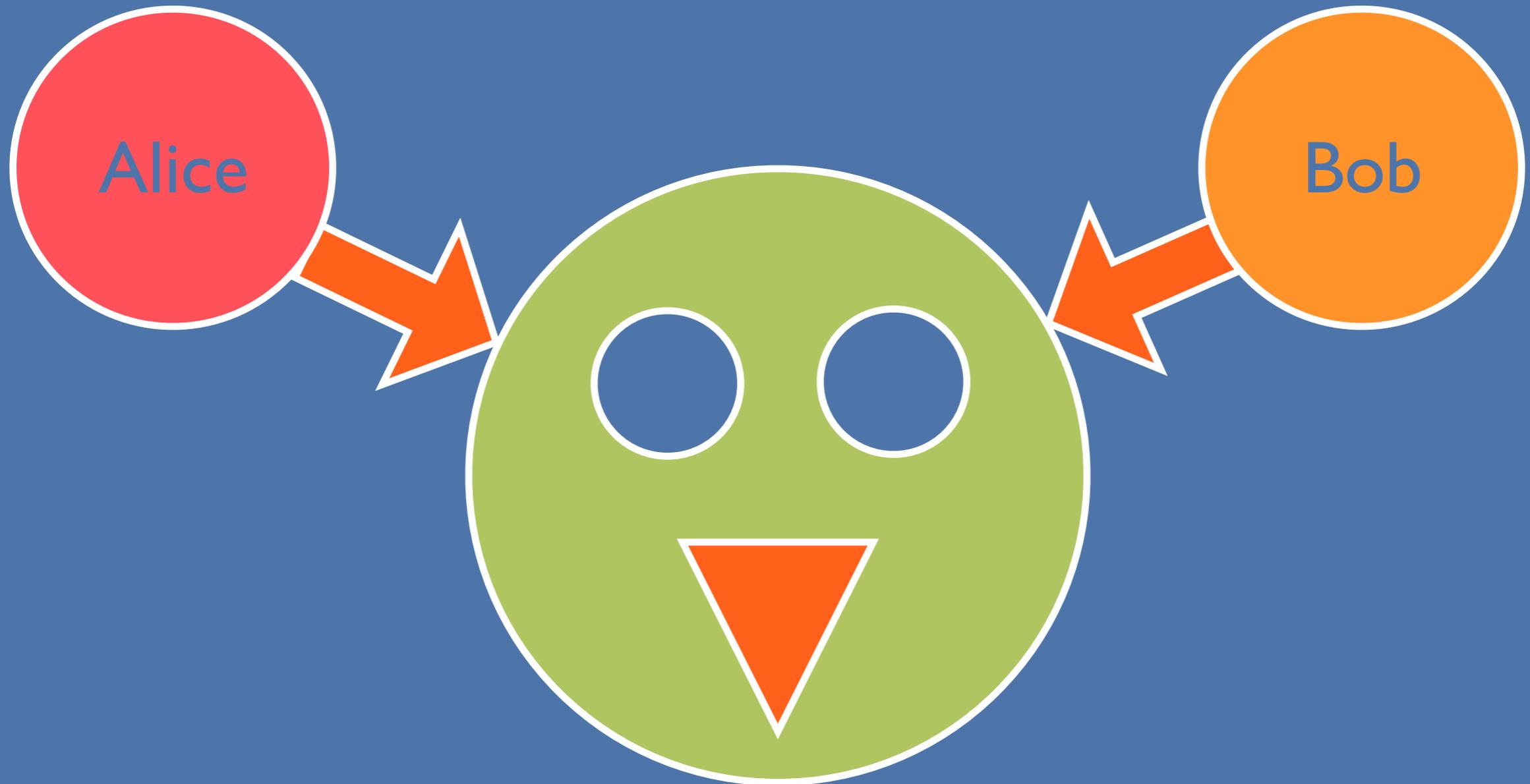
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Perfectly secure
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To increase real-world security,
we remove the trusted party



Outline



- Motivational examples
 - Multisets represented as polynomials
 - Polynomial operations
 - Multiset operations with polynomials
 - Use of our techniques
 - Contributions and related work
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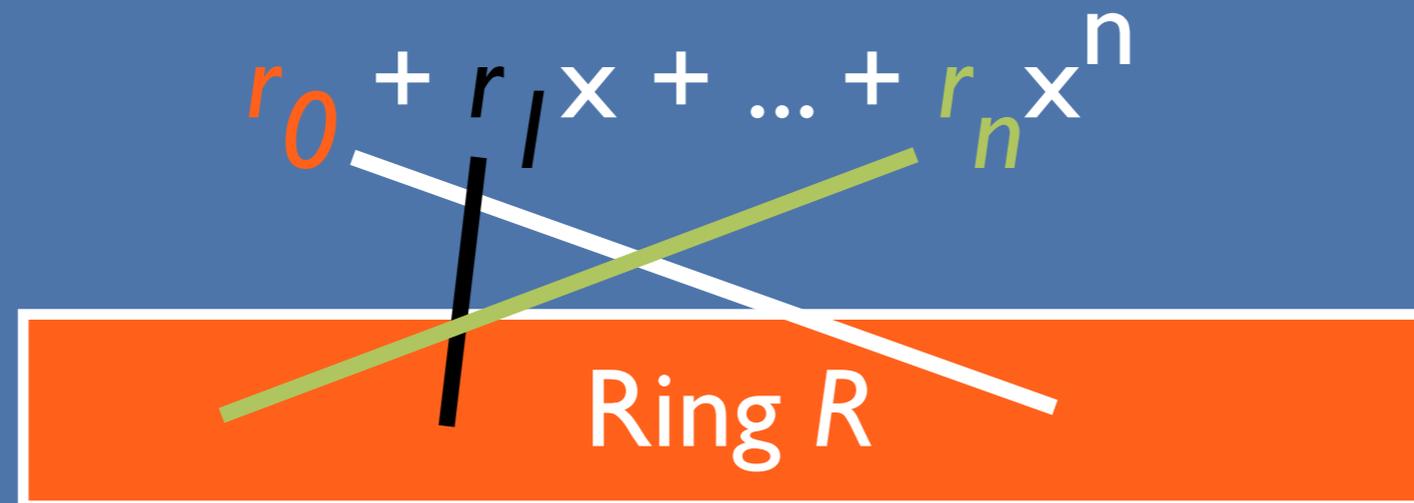


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 - Thus random elements 'look random' with overwhelming probability
 - One scheme: valid format $a||h(a)$

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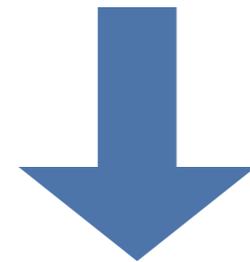
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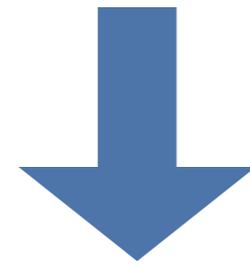
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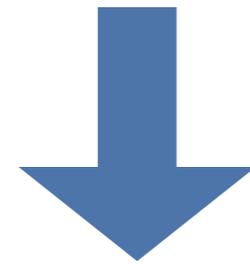
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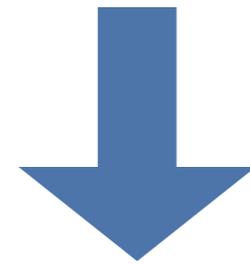
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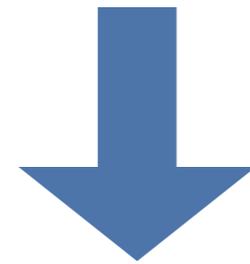
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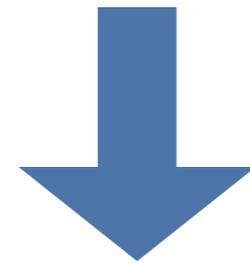
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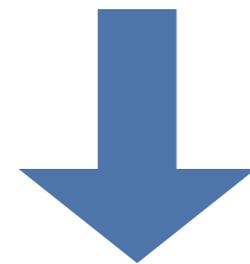
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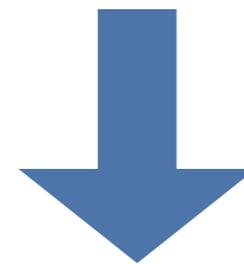
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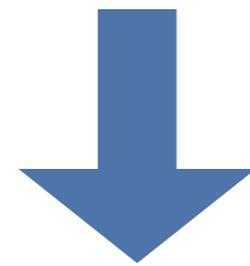
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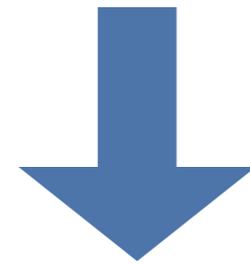
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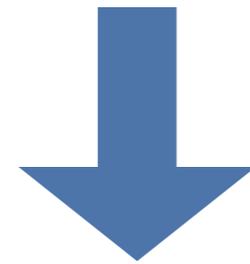
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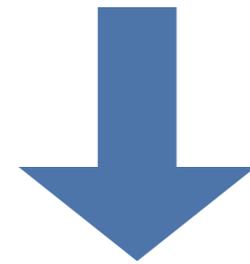
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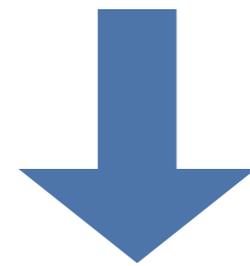
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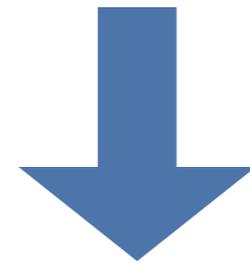
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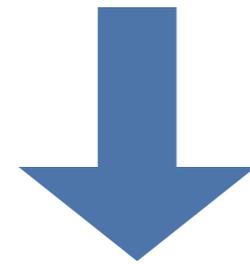
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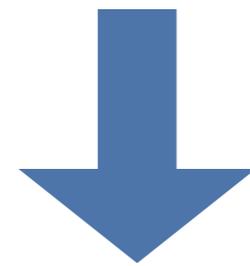
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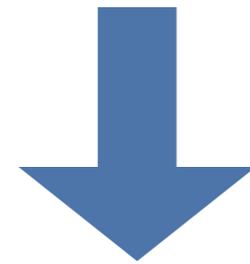
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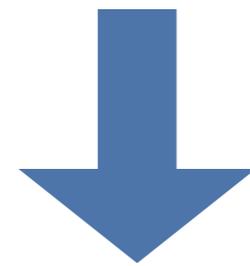
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- This acts somewhat like an *element reduction* operator!
- Note that I am glossing over some of the math...

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- We use these polynomial operations to calculate multiset union, intersection, and element reduction
- We cannot use the simple polynomial operations directly
 - They can reveal extra private information
 - e.g., elements that are not in the result set
 - The calculation can be manipulated by malicious players





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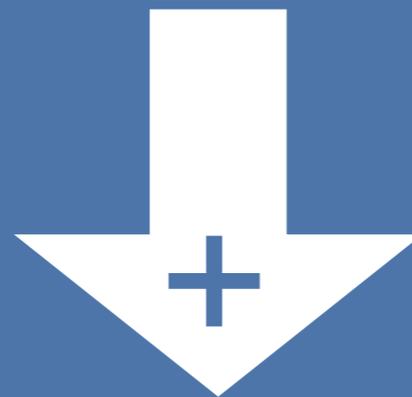


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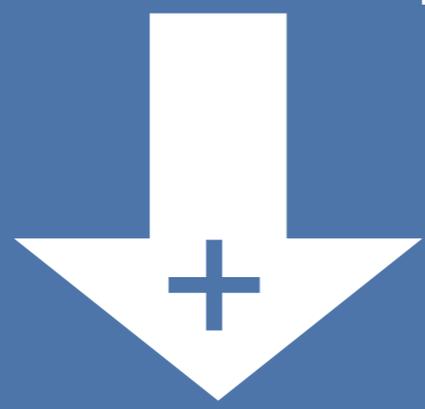


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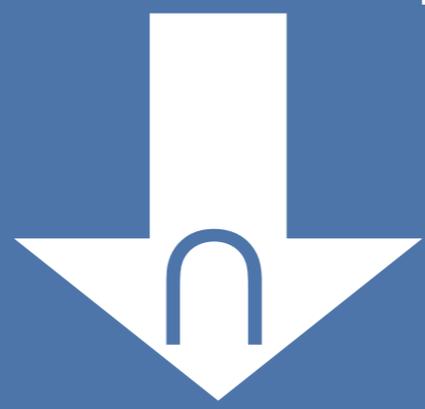


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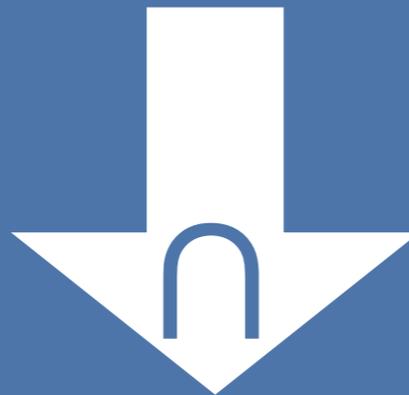


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f (Alice's set/correct)



- We must use randomness to hide `extra` information and enforce correctness
- We utilize the following lemma:
 - If $\text{gcd}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{1}$, and \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s} are random polynomials such that $\text{deg}(\mathbf{v}) = \text{deg}(\mathbf{w}) \leq \text{size}(\mathbf{r}) = \text{size}(\mathbf{s})$
 - Then $\mathbf{v} * \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{w} * \mathbf{s}$ is a **random** polynomial

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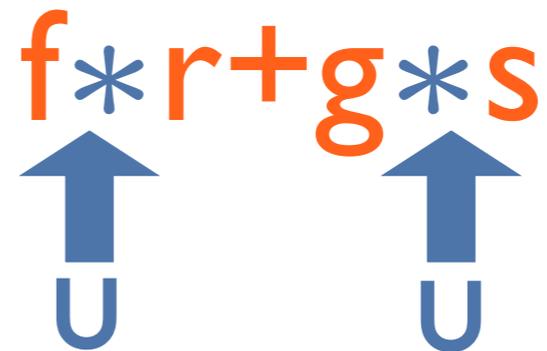
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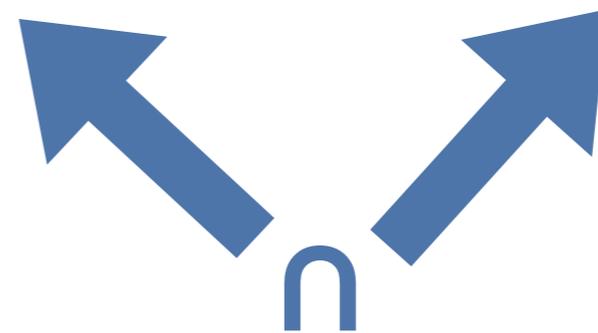
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calculated as:

$$f^{(t-1)} * F * r + f * s =$$

$$\gcd(f^{(t-1)}, f) (w * r + v * s) =$$
$$\gcd(f^{(t-1)}, f) * u$$

Let S be a multiset
represented by the
polynomial f .
Let r, s, F be random
polynomials.



How do we use this?



- These techniques are not useful without the use of encryption
 - All players share a key
 - Special (homomorphic) cryptosystem
 - Addition, formal derivative of encrypted polynomials
 - Multiplication of known polynomial by encrypted polynomial
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Player 1

S_1



Player 2

S_2

Multiset Intersection Protocol



Player 3

S_3



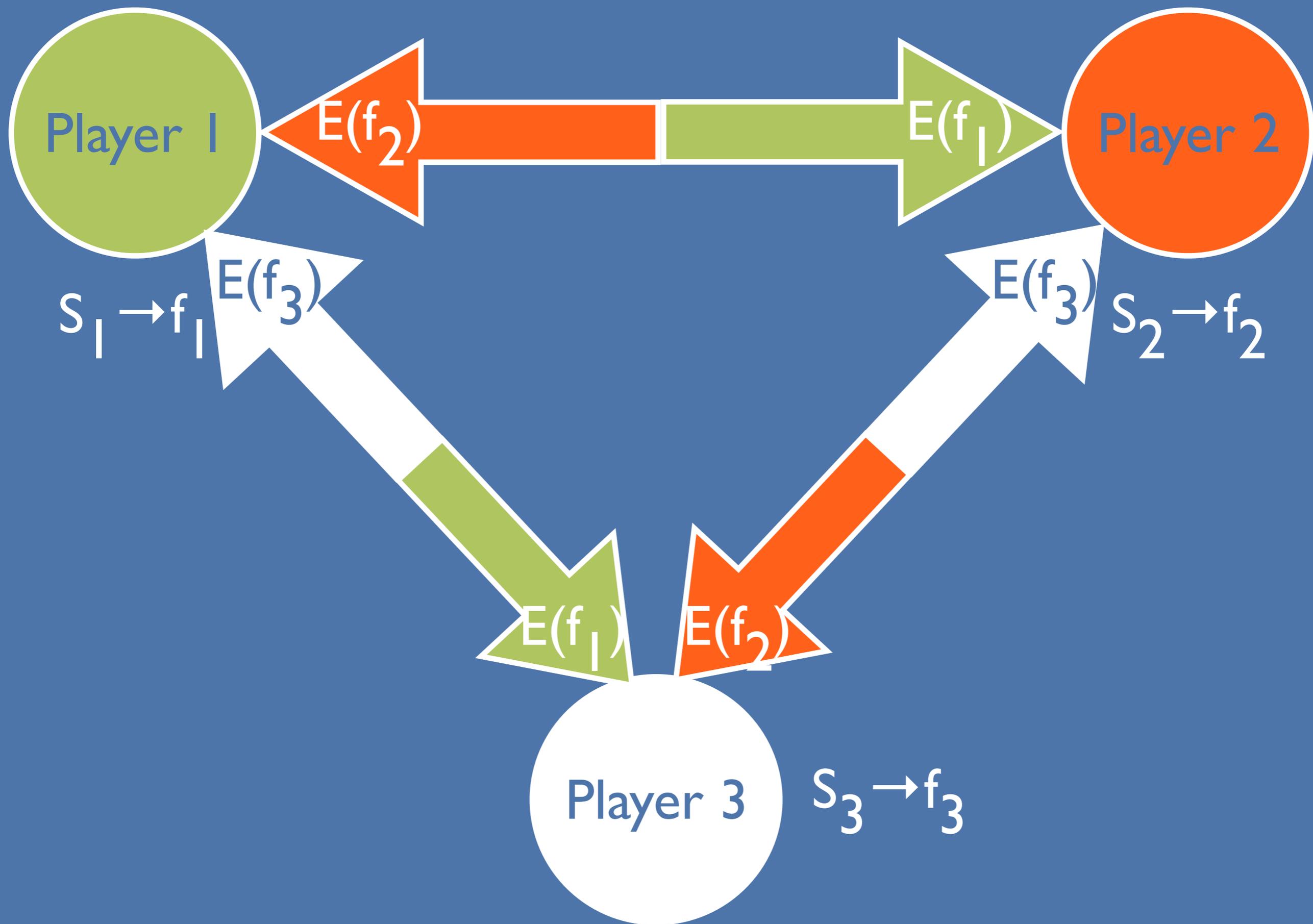
$$s_1 \rightarrow f_1$$



$$s_2 \rightarrow f_2$$



$$s_3 \rightarrow f_3$$





Player 1

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$



Player 2

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$



Player 3

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$



Player 1

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$



Player 2

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$

Each player i chooses
random polynomials

$r_{i,1}, r_{i,2}, r_{i,3}$

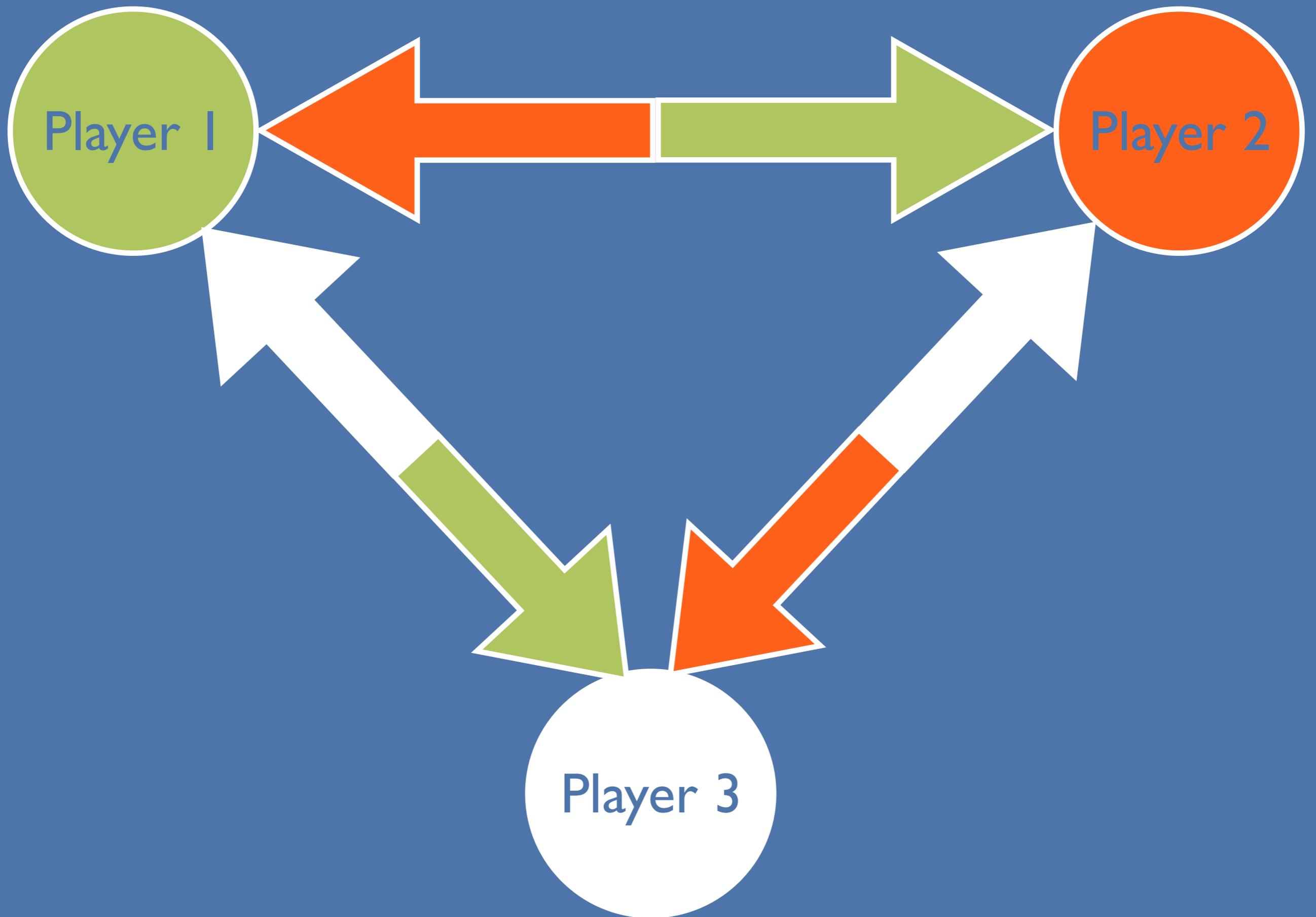
and calculates:

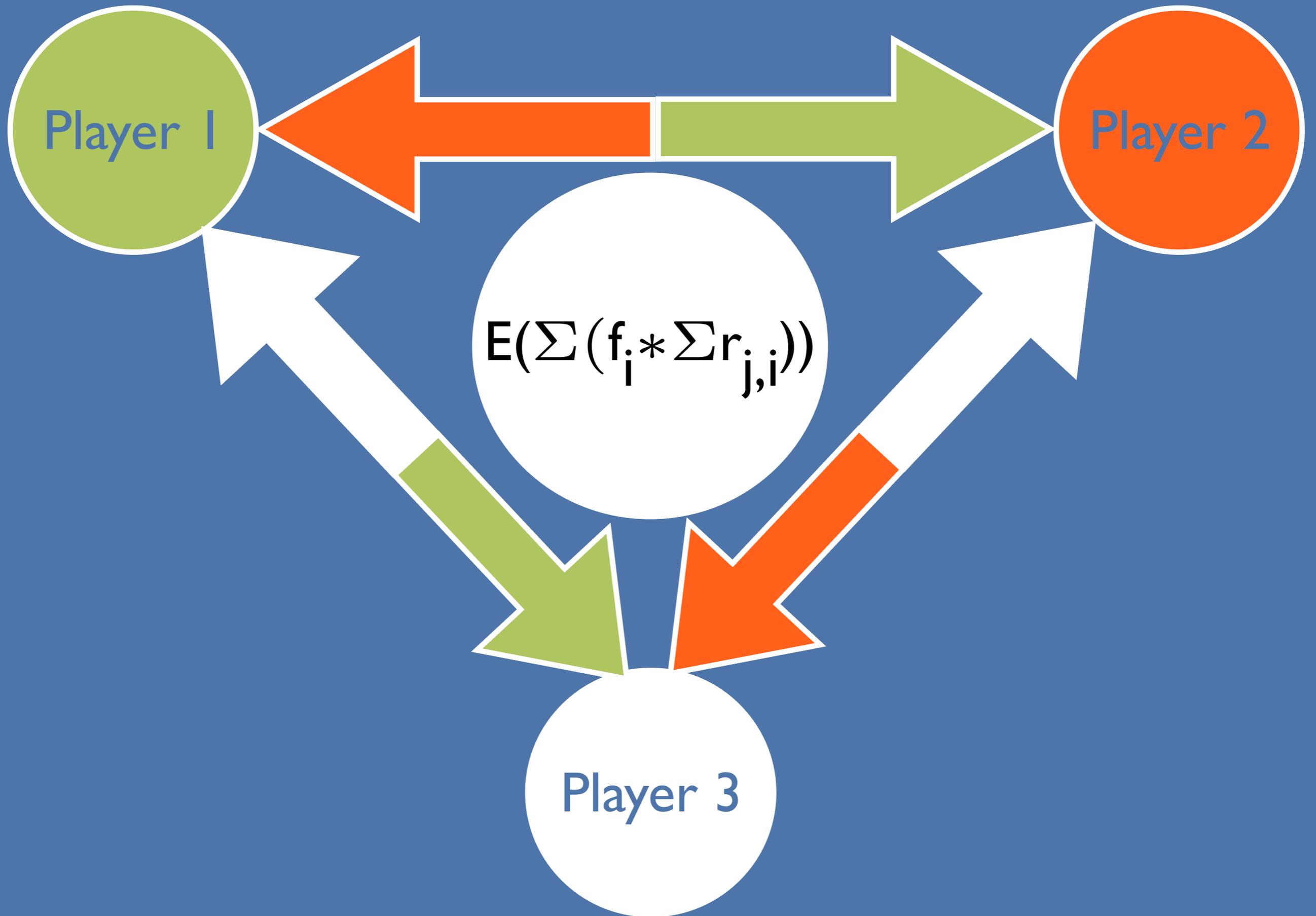
$E(f_1 * r_{i,1} + f_2 * r_{i,2} + f_3 * r_{i,3})$



Player 3

$E(f_1), E(f_2), E(f_3)$





$$E(\sum (f_i * \sum r_{j,i}))$$

Polynomial
representation
of multiset

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Polynomial
representation
of multiset

Random
polynomial

$$E(\sum (f_i * \sum r_{j,i}))$$

The players have calculated an encrypted polynomial representation of the multiset intersection!

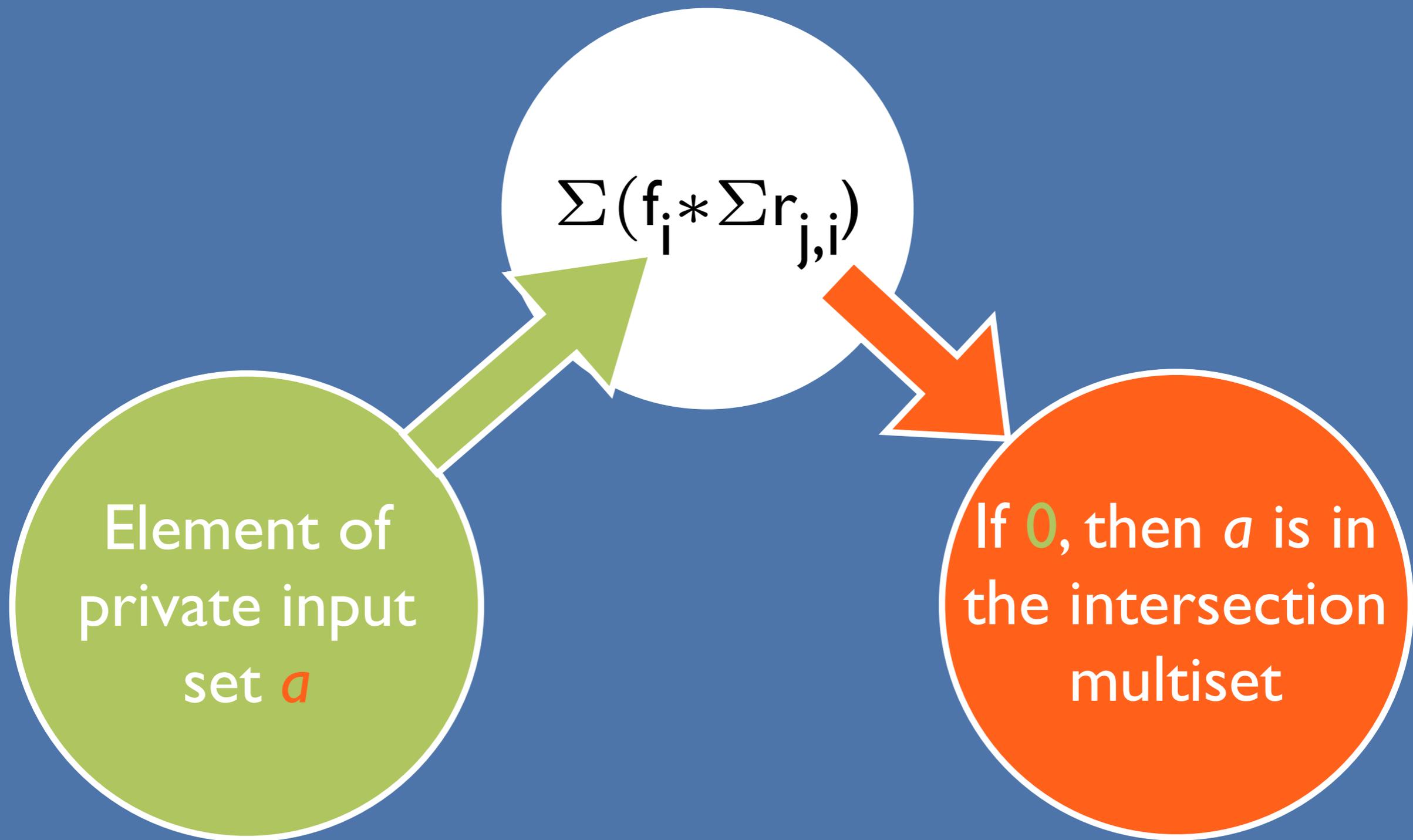
$$E(\sum (f_i * \sum r_{j,i}))$$

The players decrypt the polynomial, using their shared key.

$$\sum (f_i * \sum r_{j,i})$$

Element of
private input
set *a*

$$\Sigma (f_i * \Sigma r_{j,i})$$



$$\Sigma (f_i * \Sigma r_{j,i})$$

Divisible by
 $(x-a)^b$?

If so, then a is in
the intersection
 b times



Outline



- Motivational examples
 - Multisets represented as polynomials
 - Polynomial operations
 - Multiset operations with polynomials
 - Use of our techniques
 - Contributions and related work
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- We have presented efficient, composable techniques for multiset intersection, union, and element reduction
- We design fair protocols for $n \geq 2$ players (malicious or HBC) for many set problems, including cardinality
- We design a protocol for determining subset relations
- We even evaluate boolean formulae!





- Two party set intersection (and related problems) [AES03] [FNP04]
- Set disjointness [KM05]
- Single-element-set intersection [FNW96] [NP99] [BST01] [L03]
- For most of the problems we address, the best previous result is through general MPC [Y82] [BGW88]

A decorative graphic on a blue background. It features a central white rounded rectangle containing the text "Thank you!". Surrounding this rectangle are several circles of different colors and sizes, connected by thin white lines. On the left side, there is a large orange circle, a smaller white circle, and a green circle. On the right side, there is a green circle and a large white circle. The overall design is clean and modern.

Thank you!