



# Lecture 15: Trie





# Logistics

- Programming assignment 3 (B+Tree) due on **Nov 2**
- Two-page project updates due on **Oct 29** (extra credit)



# Recap

- B+Tree Structure
- Range Query Processing
- Node Split

# Lecture Overview

- Trie
- Binary Patricia Trie
- Modular Query Execution



# Trie





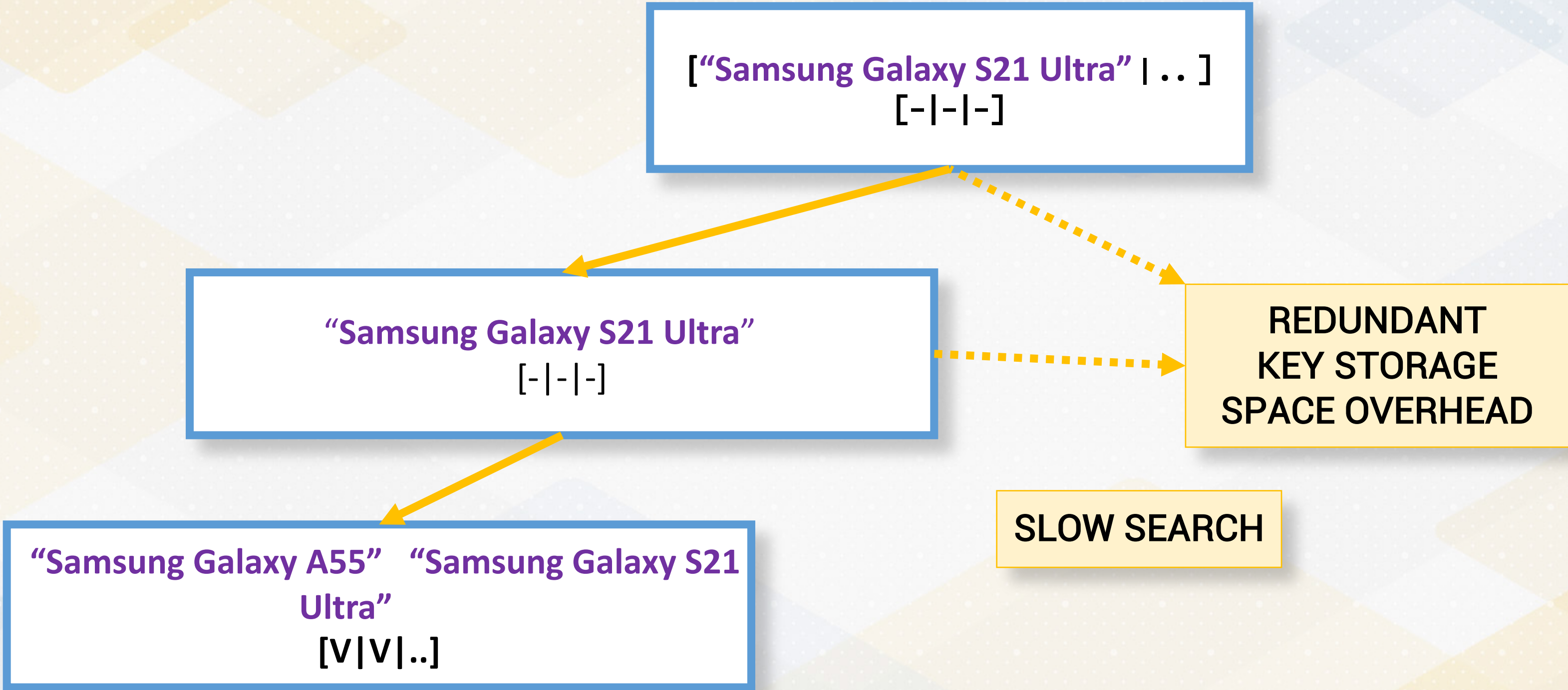
# Product Catalog Search

Product Name	Relevant or not
Samsung Galaxy S21 Ultra	Yes
Apple iPhone XS Max	No
Samsung Galaxy A55	Yes
Apple iPhone 12	No
Samsung Galaxy S27	Yes

```
// Find all Samsung Galaxy phones in the catalog  
std::vector<std::string> galaxyPhones =  
productCatalog.startsWith("Samsung Galaxy");
```

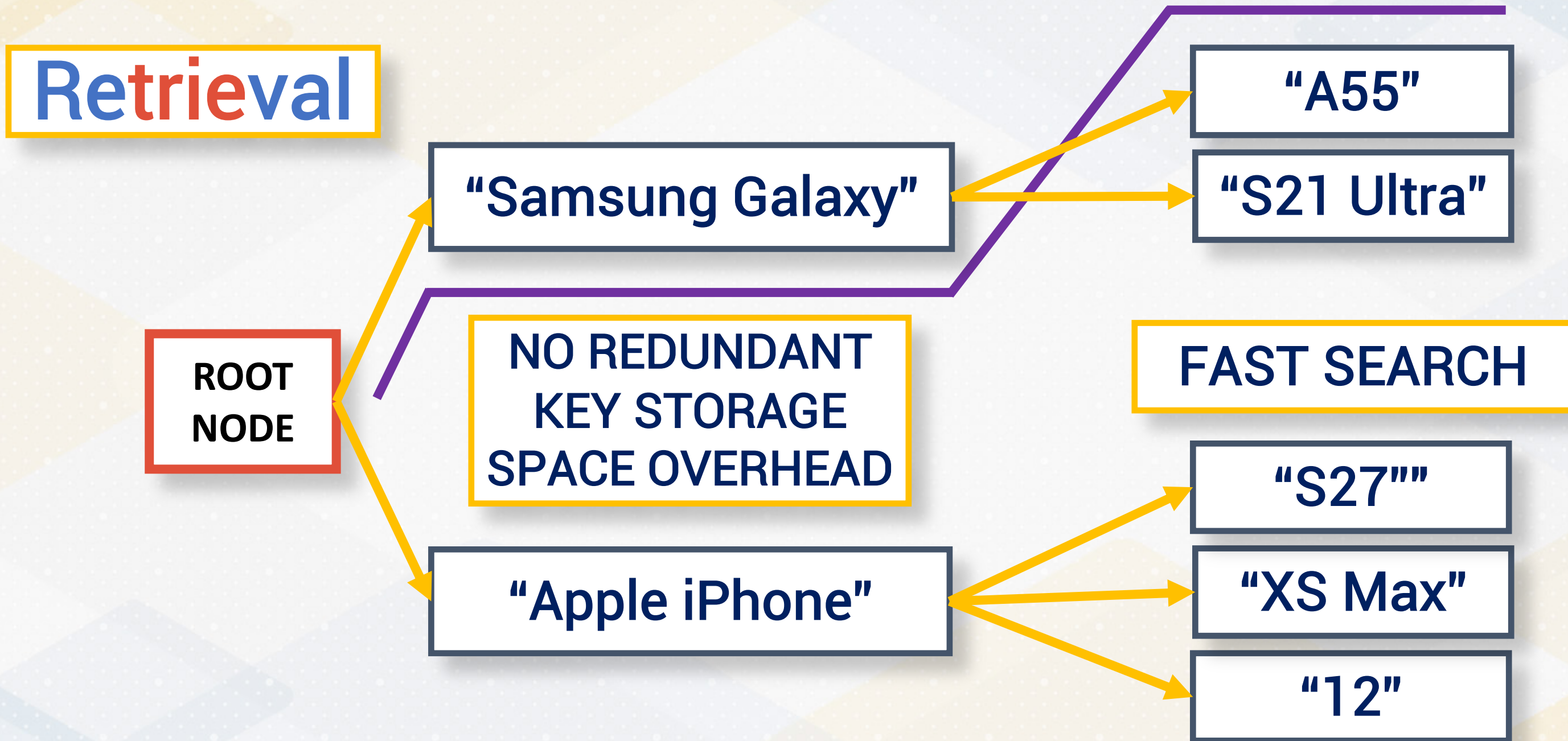


# Limitations of B+Tree





# Trie





# Patricia Trie

**Trie**

Merge Single  
Character Nodes

Whole Strings

**Basic Trie**

**Patricia Trie**





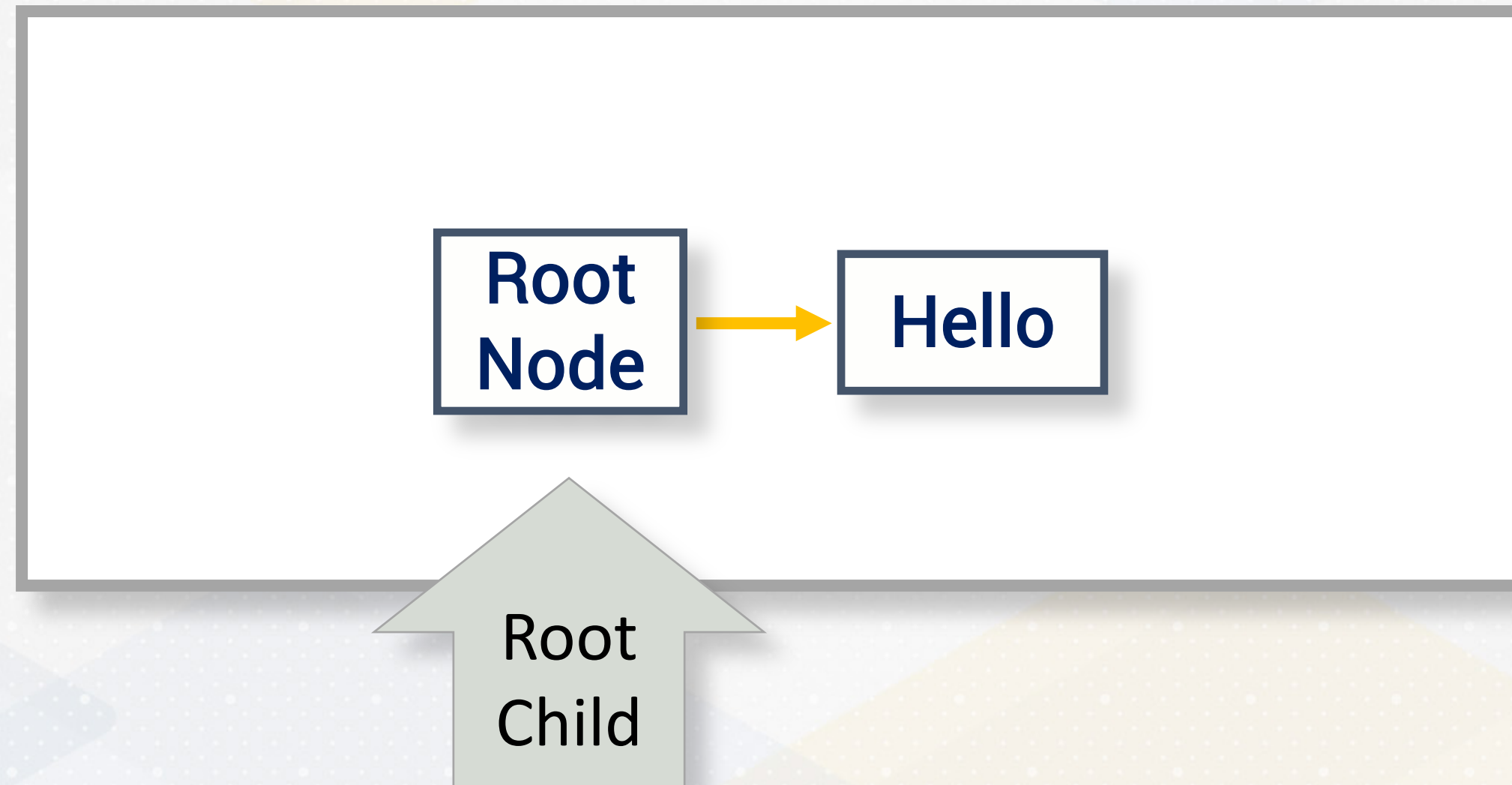
# Patricia Trie



```
class PatriciaNode {  
public:  
    bool isEndOfWord;  
    std::map<std::string, PatriciaNode*>  
children;  
  
    PatriciaNode() : isEndOfWord(false) {}  
};
```

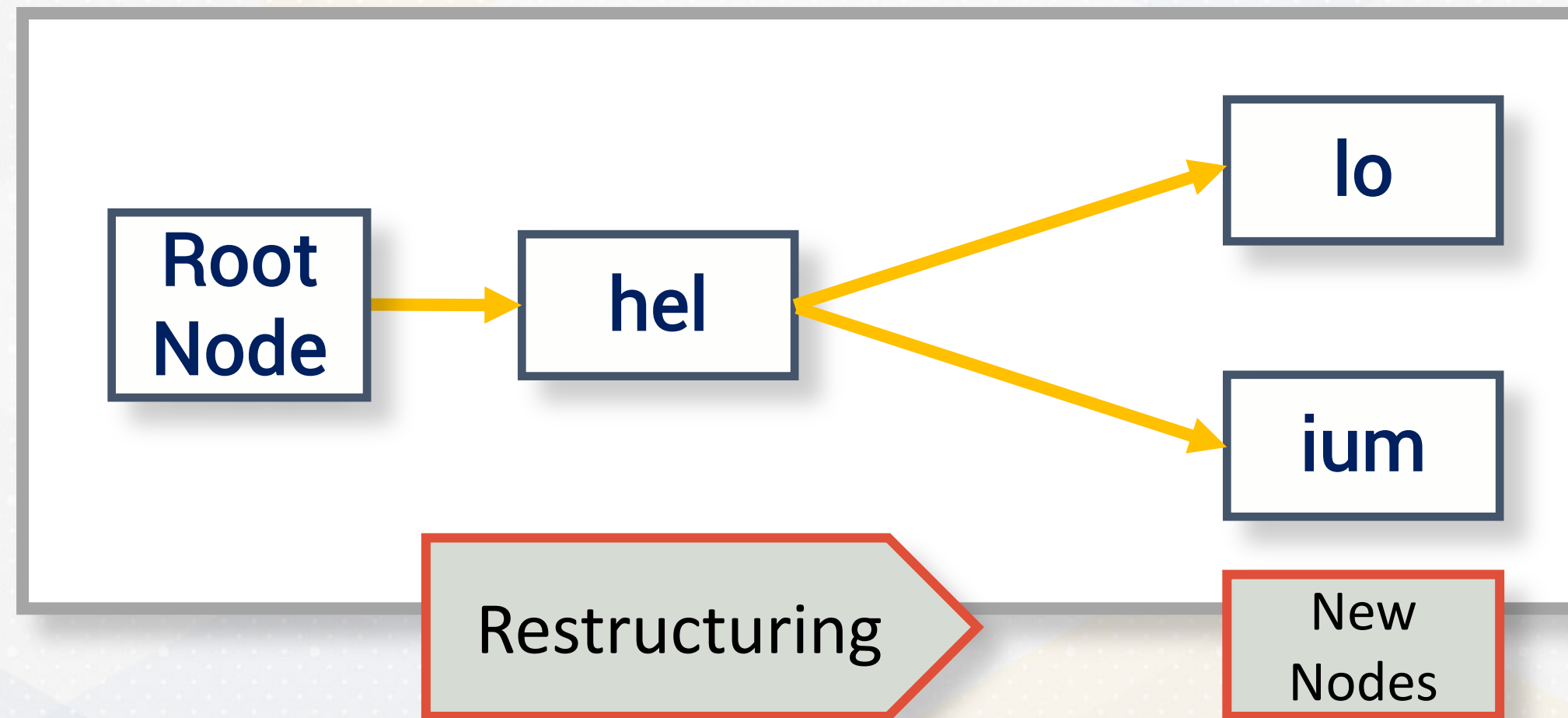


# Insertion Example





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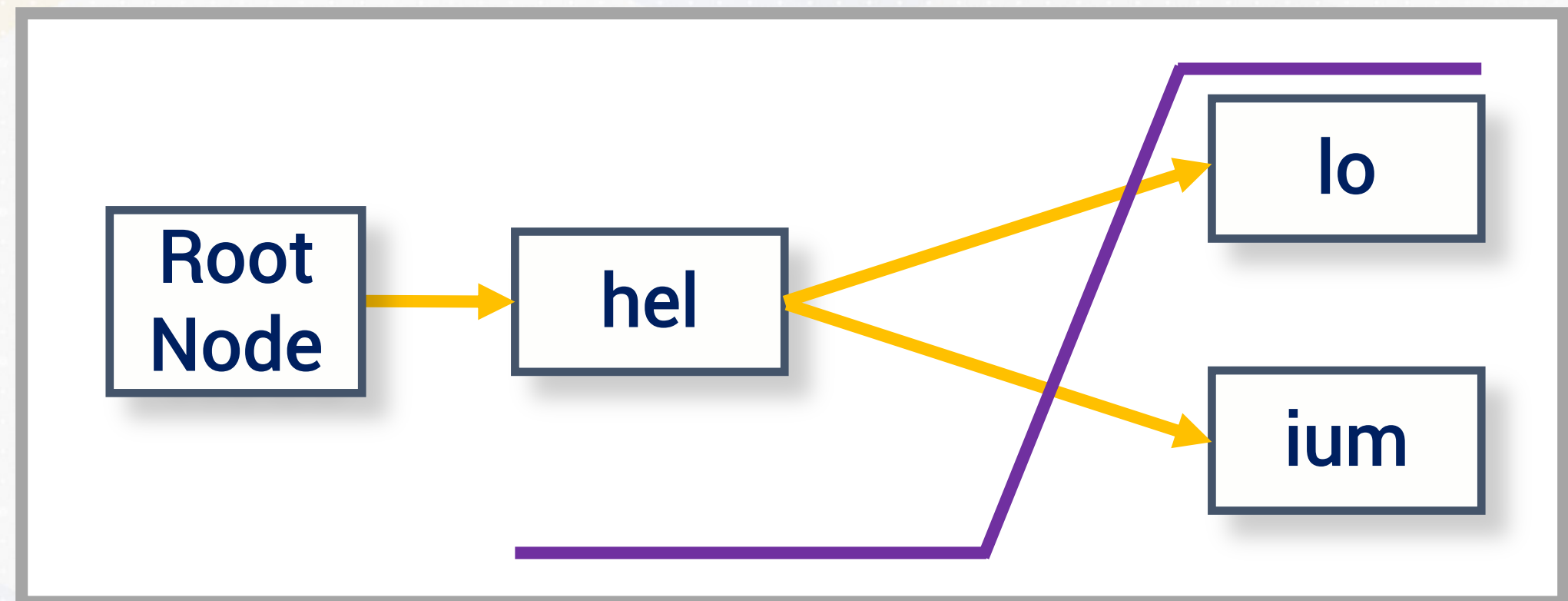


# Retrieval

Navigate Root Node to Relevant Leaf

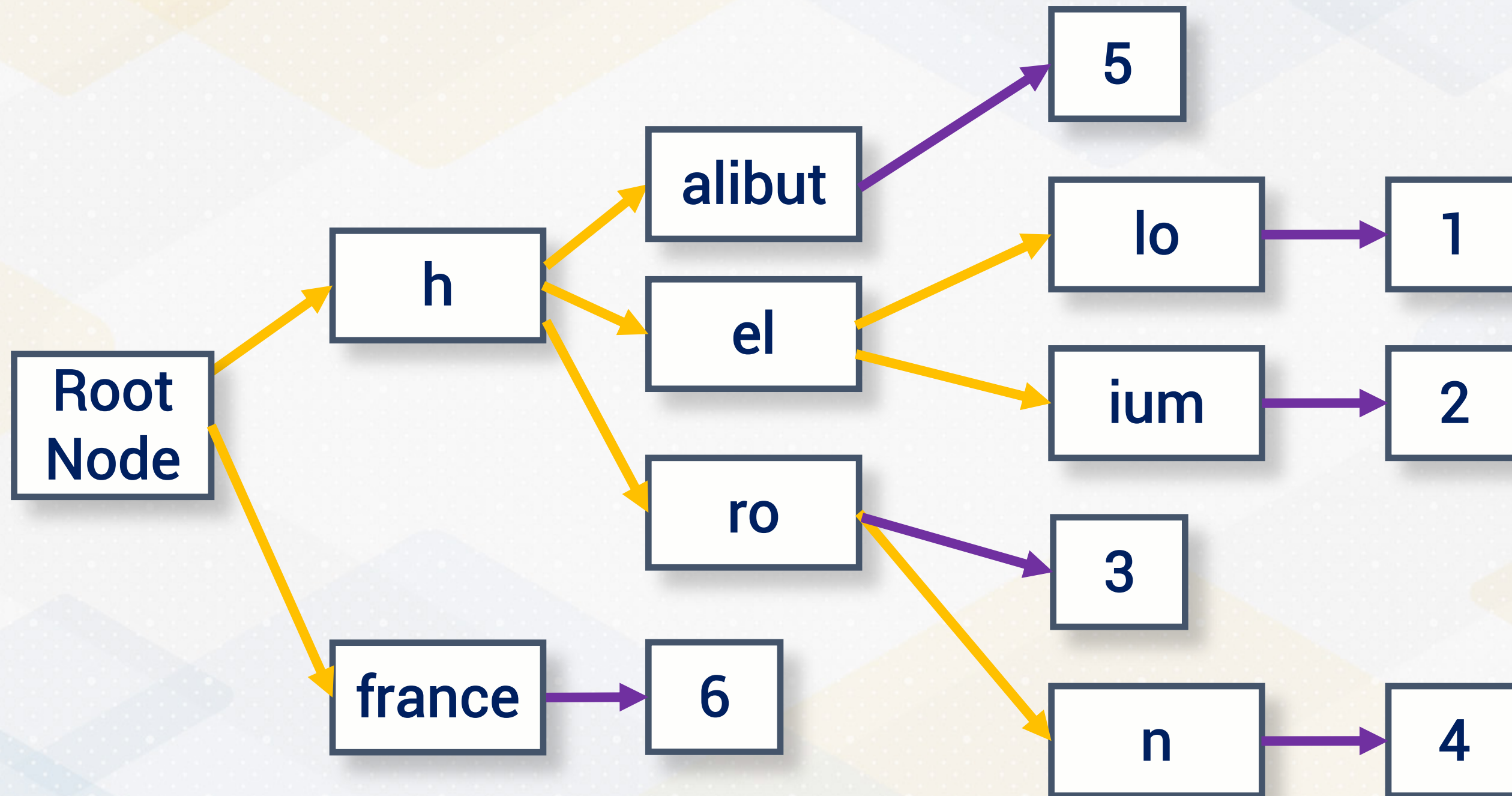
Each Character Narrows Search Path

Node Visits Narrow Search to Matching Key





# Larger Trie with Values





# Insertion

Insertion Check

isEndOfWord = True

Stops Recursion

```
void insertHelper(PatriciaNode* node, const std::string& word,
size_t index, int value) {
    // Base case: If the whole word has been processed
    if (index == word.length()) {
        node->isEndOfWord = true;
        return;
    }

    // Prepare the substring from the current index to the end
    std::string remaining = word.substr(index);
```



# Insertion: Identifying Common Prefixes

**Trie**

Identifies  
Common Prefixes

Calculates  
Common Prefix  
Lengths

```
for (auto& child : node->children) {  
    const std::string& key = child.first;  
    PatriciaNode* childNode = child.second;  
  
    // Calculate common prefix length  
    size_t commonLength = 0;  
    while (commonLength < key.length() && commonLength <  
remaining.length() &&  
        key[commonLength] == remaining[commonLength]) {  
        commonLength++;  
    }  
}
```



# Node Splitting

```
if (commonLength > 0) { // If a common prefix is found
    if (commonLength < key.length()) {
        // Node needs to be split
        std::string newKey = key.substr(0, commonLength);
        std::string oldKey = key.substr(commonLength);
        PatriciaNode* newChildNode = new PatriciaNode();
        newChildNode->children[oldKey] = childNode; // Move the old node
under the new node
        node->children[newKey] = newChildNode; // Insert the new node
        node->children.erase(key); // Remove the old node
        // Continue insertion in the new node structure
        insertHelper(newChildNode, word, index + commonLength, value);
    }
}
```



# Insertion: Handling No Common Prefix



```
// If no child matches the remaining part of the word  
node->children[remaining] = new PatriciaNode();  
// Recursively insert the remainder  
insertHelper(node->children[remaining], word, word.length(), value);
```



# Complexity

- L: Length of the key
- N: Number of keys

	Patricia Trie	B+Tree
Insertion	$O(L)$	$O(\log N)$
Search	$O(L)$	$O(\log N)$



# Use Case

	Patricia Trie	B+Tree
Target Use Case	Fast prefix and key-value lookups	Large datasets, efficient range queries
Memory Efficiency	Less efficient for sparse keys	More efficient, stores many keys per node
Range Scans	Supported but not efficient	Highly efficient



# Binary Patricia Trie





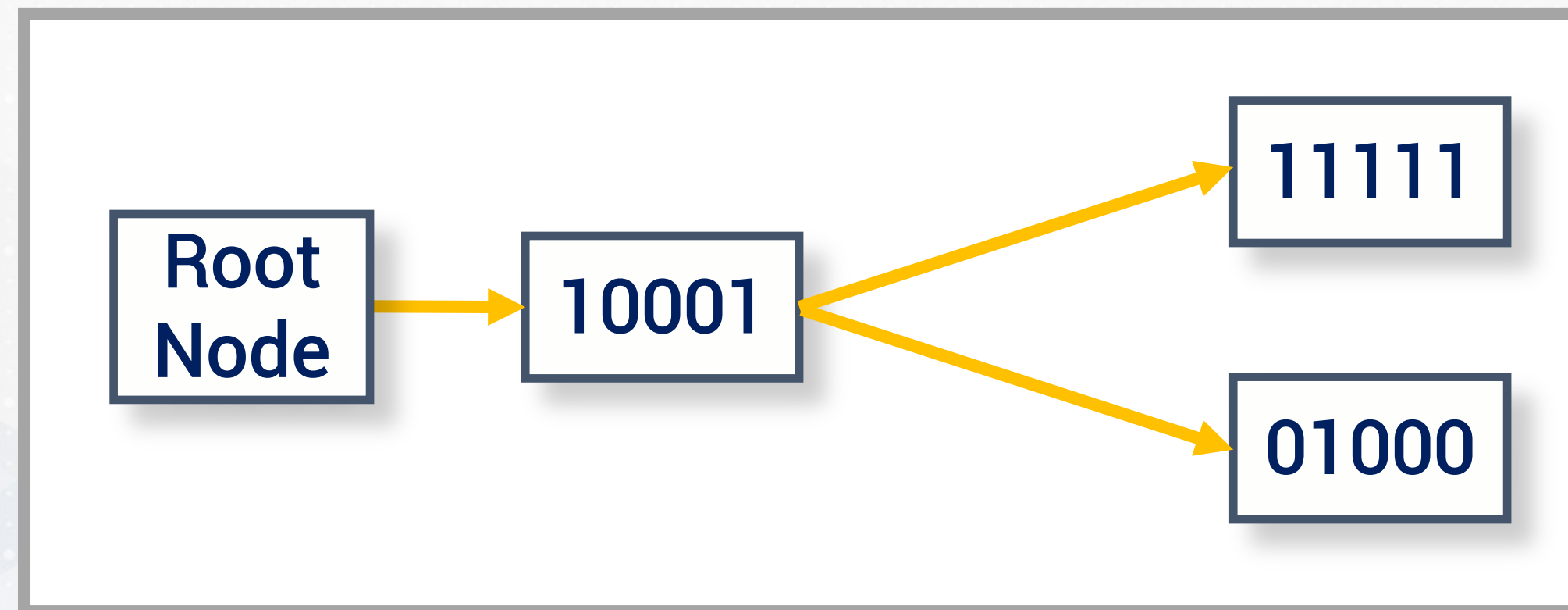
# Binary Patricia Trie



Processes Whole Character Strings

Designed for Bit-Level Binary Data

Not for Regular Character Strings



# Radix of the Trie

## Radix

the number of unique symbols or characters each node can handle.

	Radix	Characters
<b>Binary Radix Trie</b>	2	0 or 1
<b>Ascii Radix Trie</b>	256	'a', ' ', '-' etc.



# std::bitset



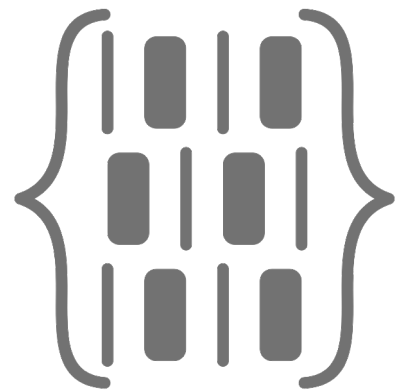
**C++, `bitset::to_string()` function:** converts text to binary string for insertion into Binary Patricia Trie

"hi"



01101000 01101001 00001010

# std::bitset



**convertToBinary**

Converts Text String

Creates 8-bit Binary  
Representation

```
#include <bitset>
// Convert a string to its binary ASCII representation
std::string convertToBinary(const std::string& text) {
    std::string binaryString;
    for (char c : text) {
        binaryString += std::bitset<8>(c).to_string();
    }
    // Each char to an 8-bit binary
    return binaryString;
}
```





# Modular Query Execution





# Limitations of Hard-Coded Query

**Hard to Change  
Query**

**Tight Coupling**

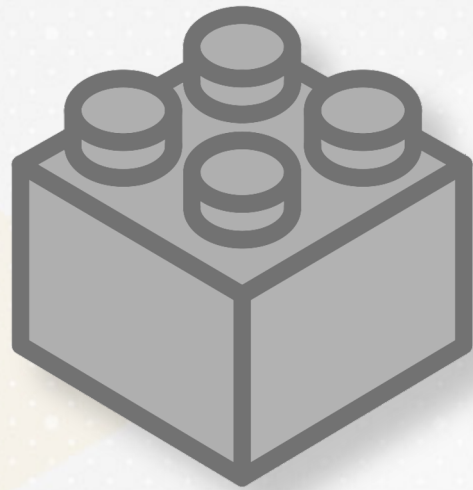
```
// perform a SELECT ... GROUP BY ... SUM query
void selectGroupBySum(int lowerBound, int
upperBound) {
    hash_index.print();

    auto results =
hash_index.rangeQuery(lowerBound, upperBound);
    std::cout << "Results: " <<
results.size() << "\n";
}
```

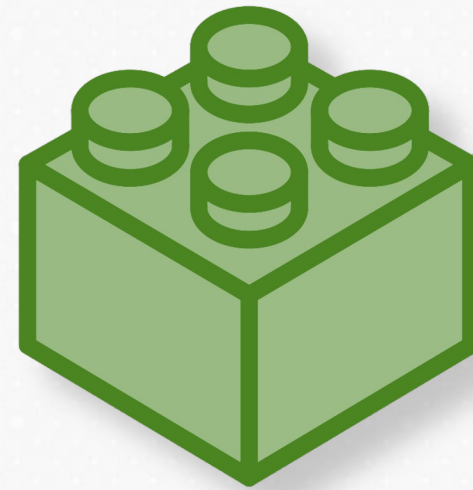


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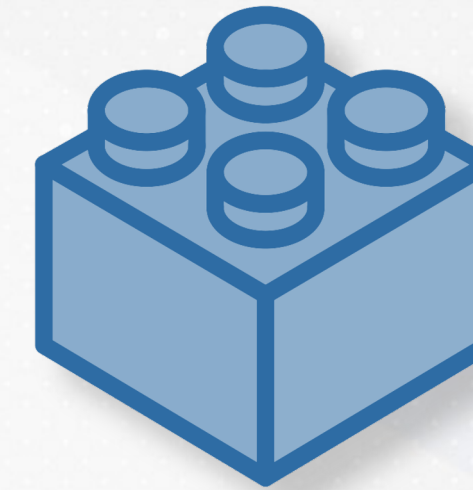
Scan  
Operator



Select  
Operator



Group By  
Operator



Flexibility

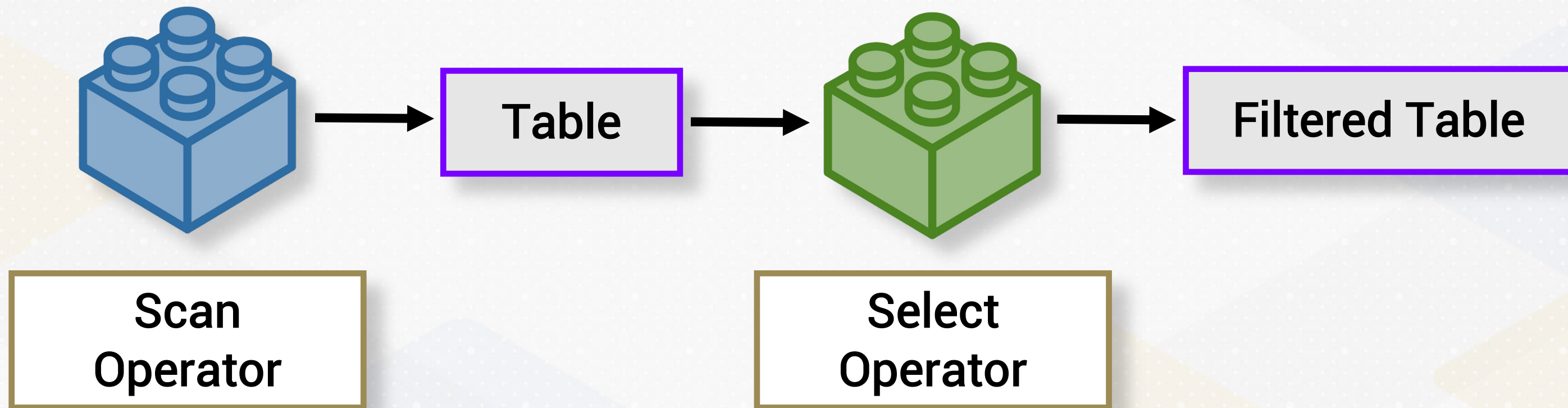
Flexible Query  
Configuration

Isolation

Operator  
Changes  
Isolated

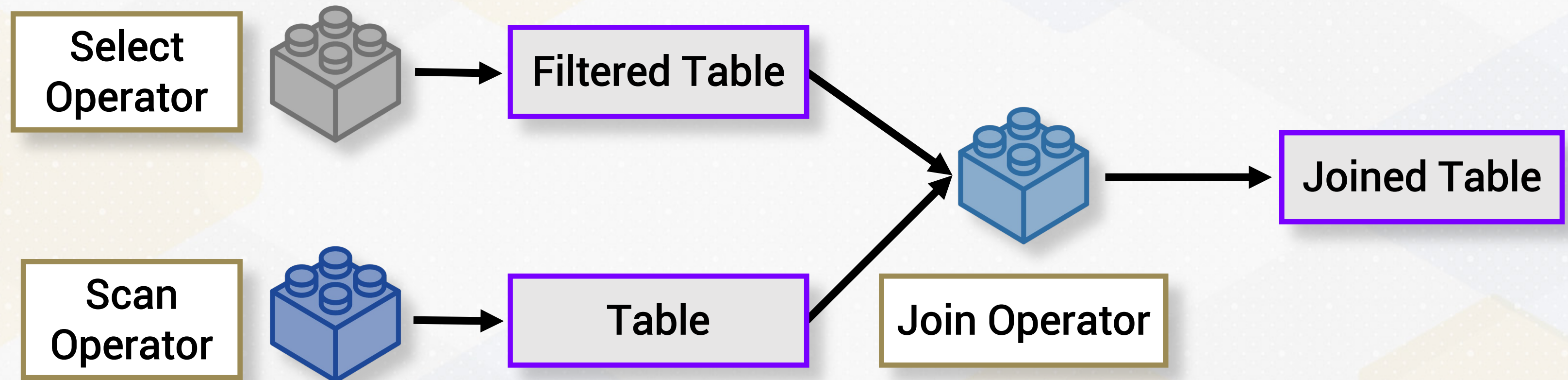


# Operators are like Lego Blocks



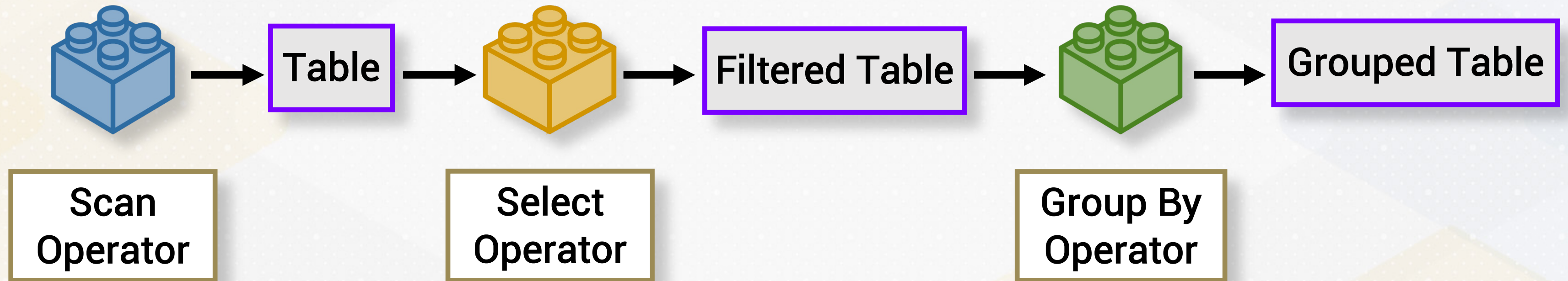


# Composability of Operators



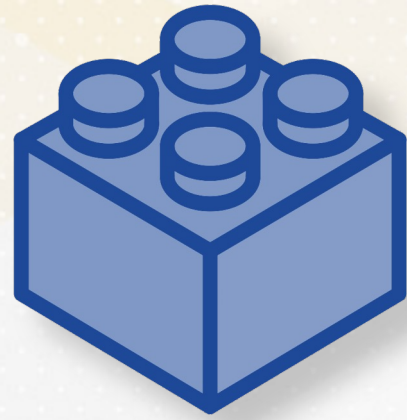


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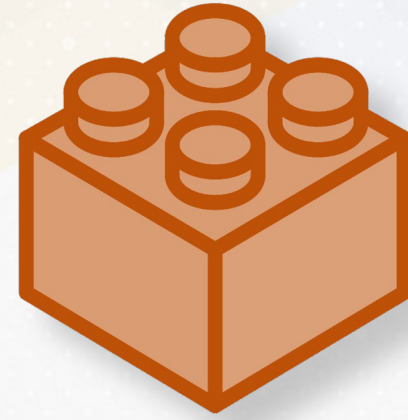


# Benefits of Operators



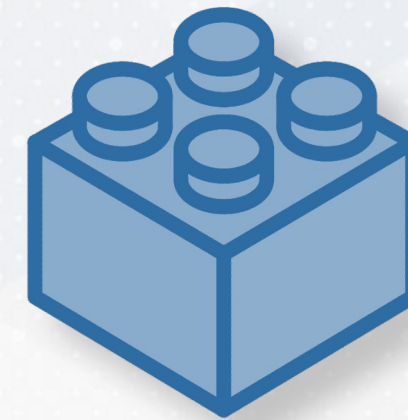
**Flexibility**

**Operators process queries without altering the individual operator**



**Modularity**

**Each operator encapsulates a specific data manipulation functionality**



**Reusability**

**Reduce redundancy and minimize the chance of bugs**



# Conclusion

- On-disk B+Tree
- Trie
- Binary Patricia Trie
- Modular Query Execution