



# scalaz-stream

Reactive in Reverse



**WARNING!**

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BEWARE**



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  - "Turn the crank" from the end and request data
  - Backpressure by definition



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- Pull streams
  - Concurrency doesn't exist
  - More declarative control, which can be weird

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- Task [A]
  - Like **Future**, but more controlled
- Process [Task, A]
  - A strict sequence of *actions*

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  case 0 | 1 => Task now 1  
  case n => {  
    for {  
      x <- fib(n - 1)  
      y <- fib(n - 2)  
    } yield x + y  
  }  
}
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def fib(n: Int): Task[Int] = n match {
  case 0 | 1 => Task now 1
  case n => {
    val ND = Nondeterminism[Task]

    for {
      pair <- ND.both(fib(n - 1), fib(n - 2))
      (x, y) = pair
    } yield x + y
  }
}
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```
def shiftPool[A](task: Task[A]): Task[A] =  
  Task({ task })(MyThreadPool).join
```



```
def shiftPool[A](task: Task[A]): Task[A] =  
  Task.fork(task)(MyThreadPool)
```

```
def futureToTask[A](f: Future[A]): Task[A] = {  
  Task async { cb =>  
    f onComplete {  
      case Success(v) => cb(\/.right(v))  
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    }  
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# Concepts: Process

- An ordered sequence of *actions*
- Ask for an action...then the next...then the next
  - If you can't keep up, you ask less frequently
- Easy to merge (just ask for data from either "side")
- Explicit parallelism

```
def fetchUrl(num: Int): Task[String] = {  
  val fetch: Task[Task[String]] = Task delay {  
    val svc = url(s"http://api.stuff.com/record/$num")  
    Task fork futureToTask(Http(svc OK as.String))  
  }  
  
  fetch.join  
}
```

```
val nums: Process[Task, Int] = Process.range(0, 10)
val adjusted = nums map { _ * 2 } filter { _ < 10 }

val pages = adjusted flatMap { num =>
  Process.eval(fetchUrl(num))
}

val found = pages find { _ contains "Waldo!" }

val stuff: Task[Unit] = found to io.stdoutLines run
stuff.run
```

```
val nums1: Process[Task, Int] = Process.range(0, 10)
val nums2: Process[Task, Int] = Process.range(11, 20)

val nums: Process[Task, Int] = nums1 interleave nums2

...
```

```
val i = new AtomicInteger
val read = Task delay {
  i.getAndIncrement()
}
```

```
val src = Process.eval(read).repeat
```

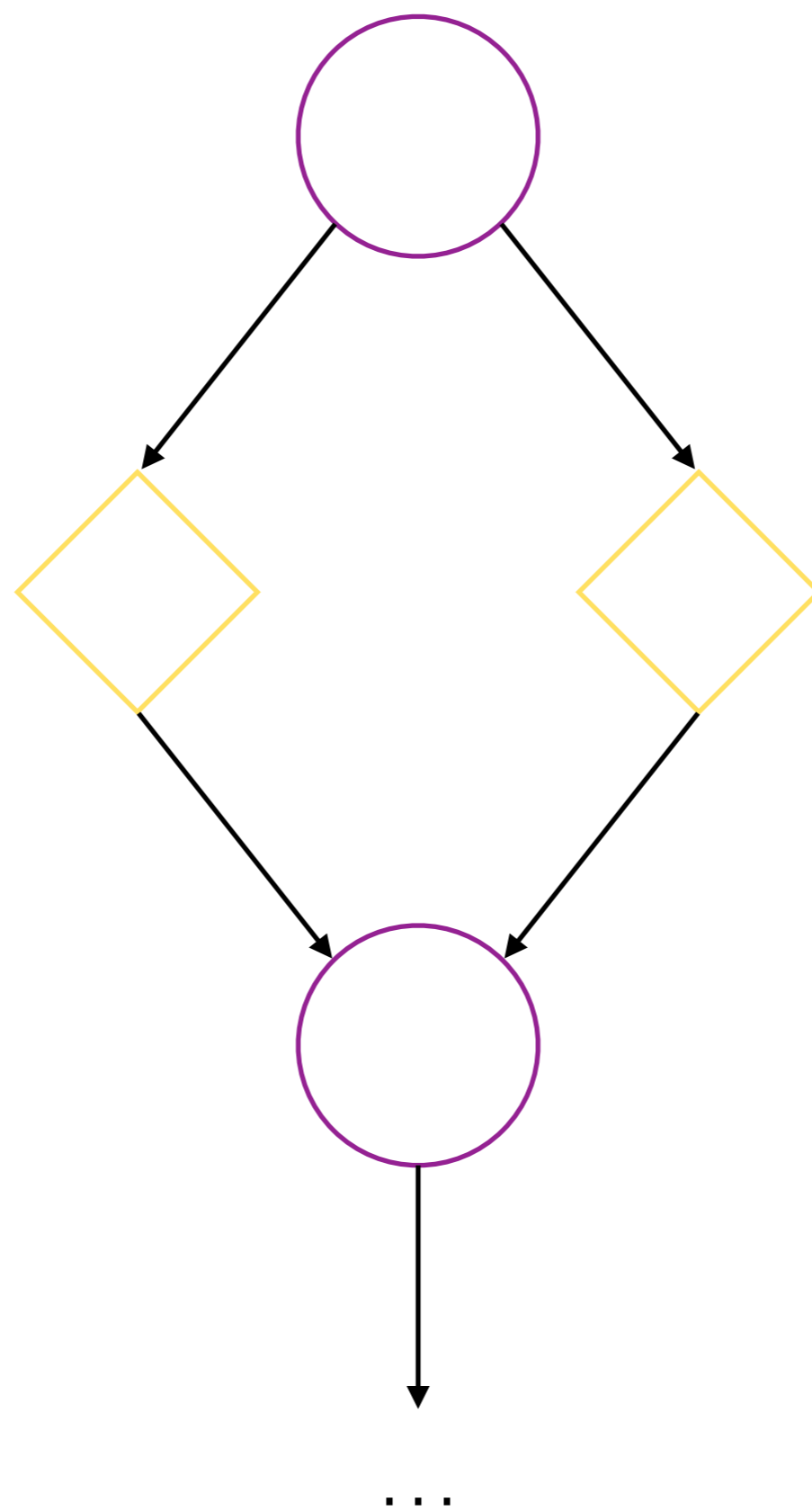
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val left = src map { i => s"left: $i" }
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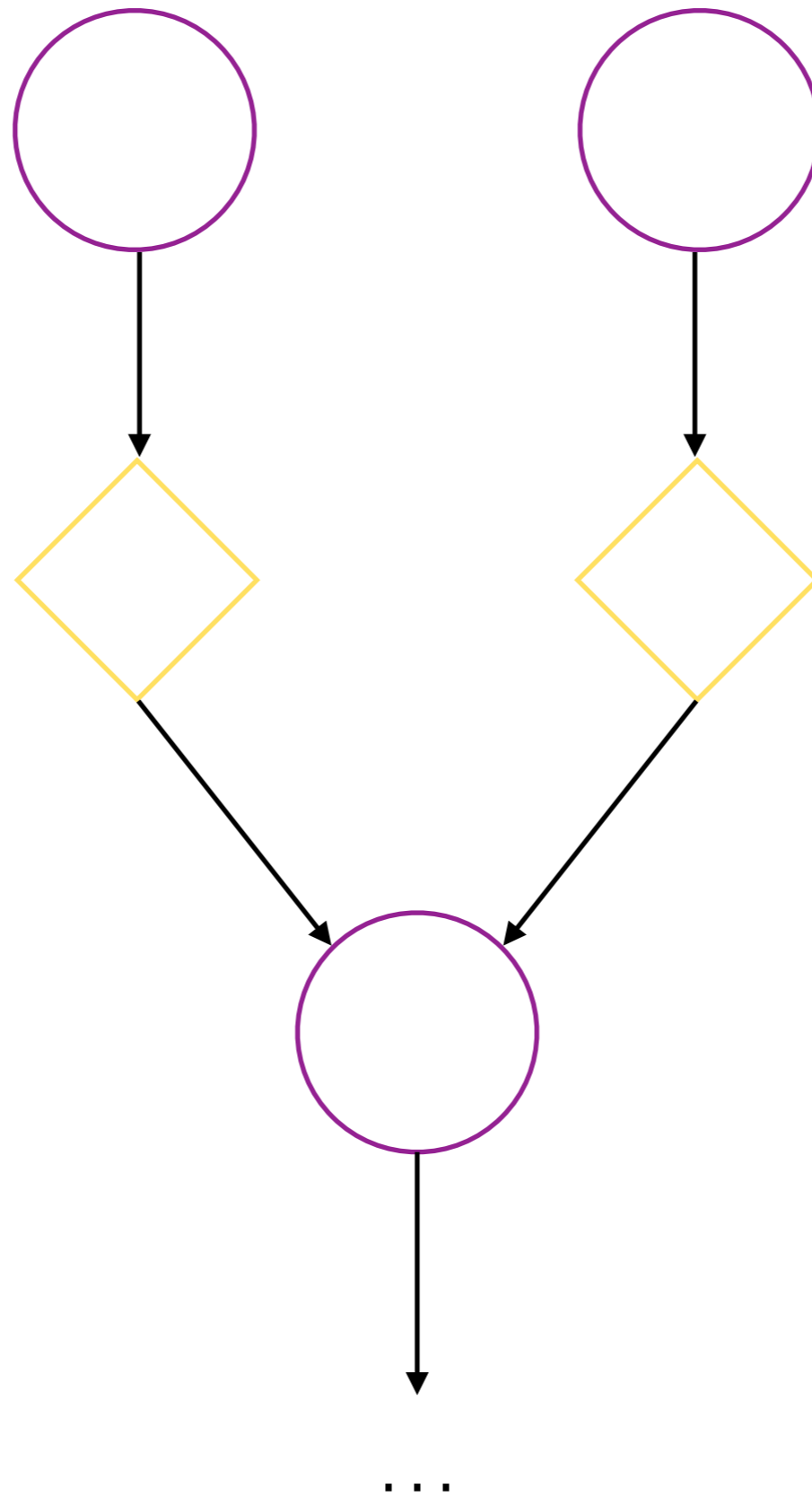
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val right = src map { i => s"right: $i" }
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left interleave right to io.stdoutLines
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left: 0  
right: 1  
left: 2  
right: 3  
left: 4  
right: 5  
left: 6  
right: 7  
left: 8  
right: 9  
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right: 13  
...





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val queue = new ArrayBlockingQueue[Message](10)

// looks like I'm a wimp

val read: Task[Message] = Task delay { queue.take() }

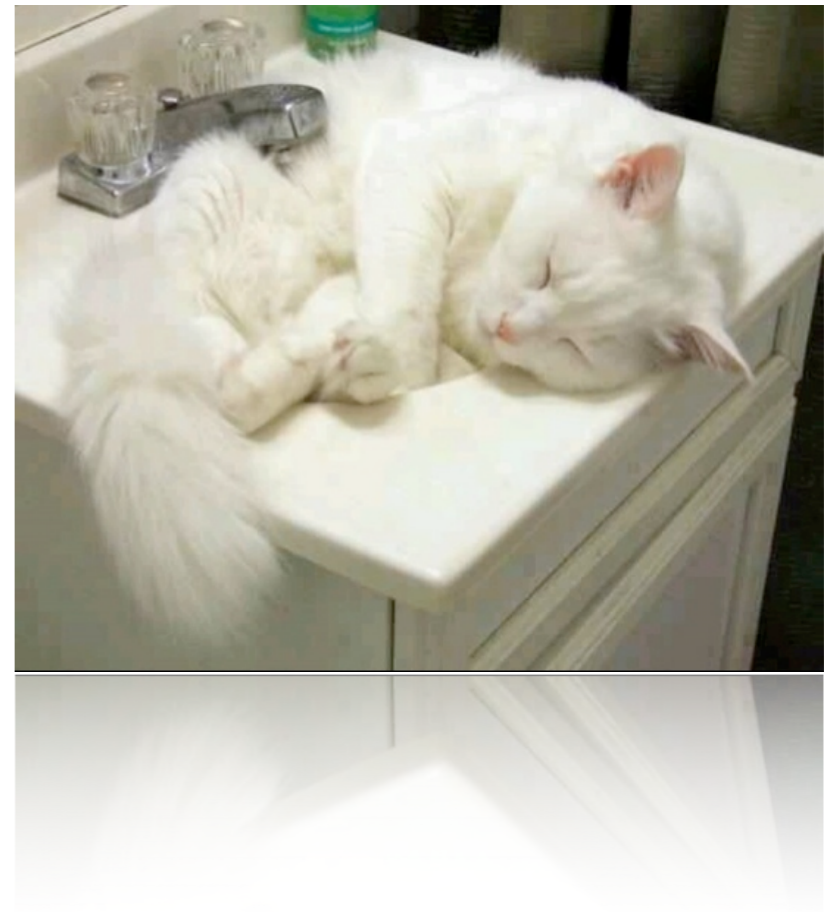
val src: Process[Task, Message] =
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val queue = async.blockingQueue[Message](10)
val src: Process[Task, Message] = queue.dequeue
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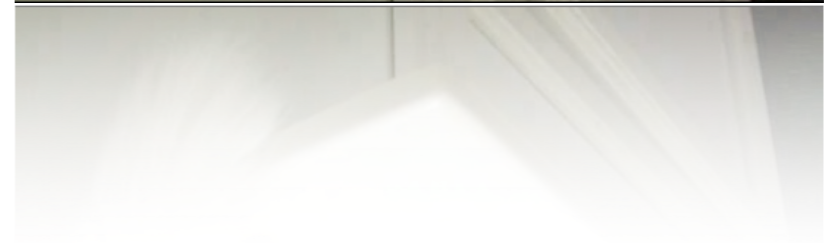
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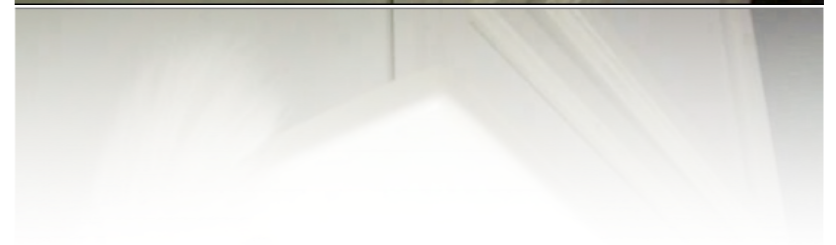
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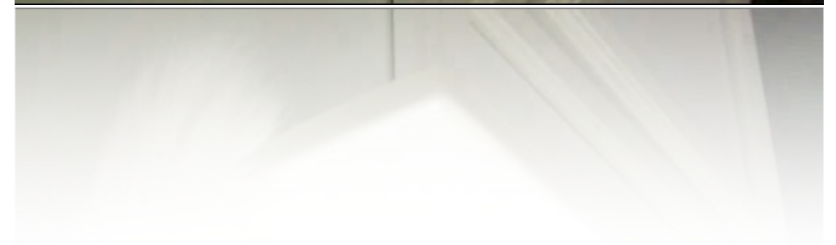
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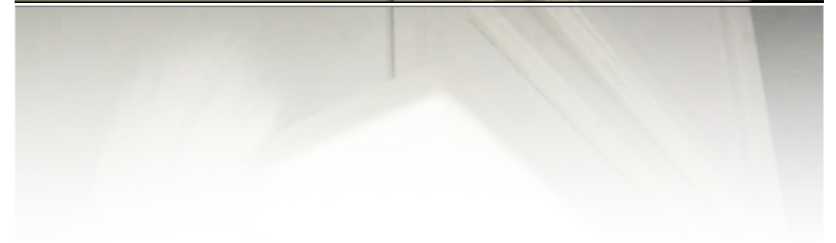
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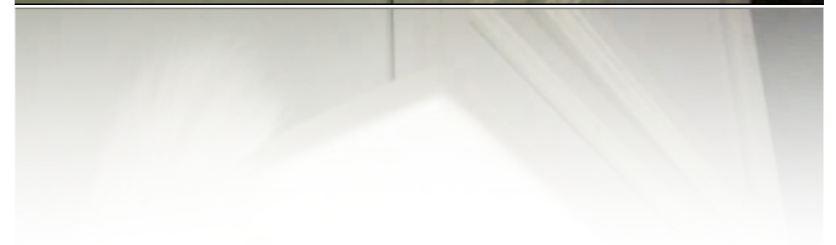
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  - A stream of functions!



```
type Sink[F[_], A] = Process[F, A => F[Unit]]
```

```
def write(str: String): Task[Unit] =  
  Task delay { println(str) }  
  
val sink: Sink[Task, String] = Process.constant(write _)  
val src = Process.range(0, 10) map { _.toString }  
  
val results = src zip sink flatMap {  
  case (str, f) => Process eval f(str)  
}  
  
val universe: Task[Unit] = results.run
```

```
val stdout: Sink[Task, String] = ...
val channel: Sink[Task, String] = ...

val src = Process.range(0, 10) map { _.toString }

val results = src zip stdout zip channel flatMap {
  case ((str, f1), f2) => {
    for {
      _ <- Process eval f1(str)
      _ <- Process eval f2(str)
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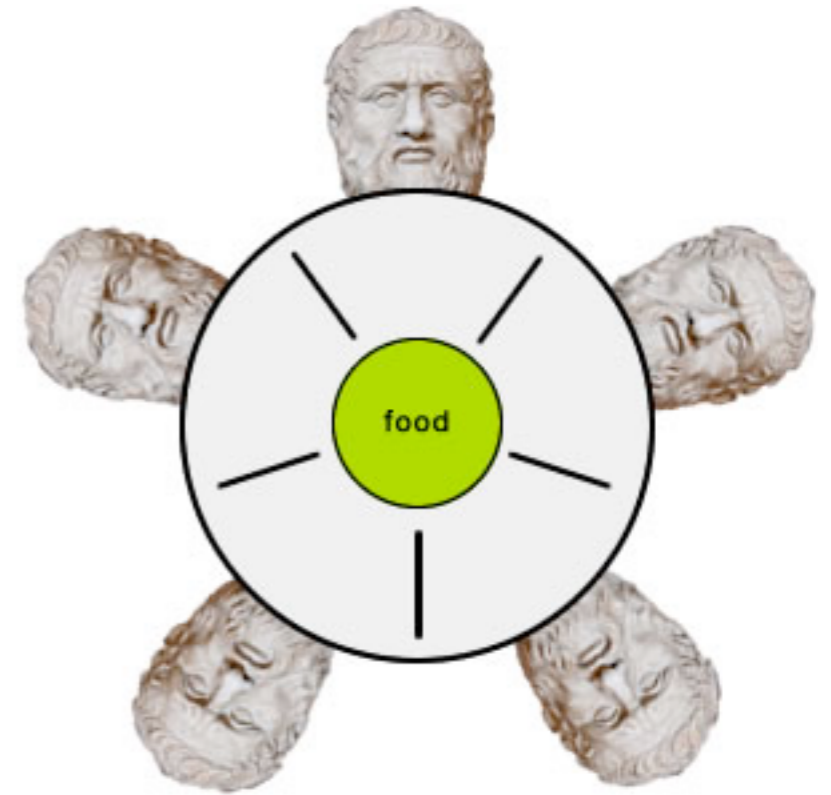
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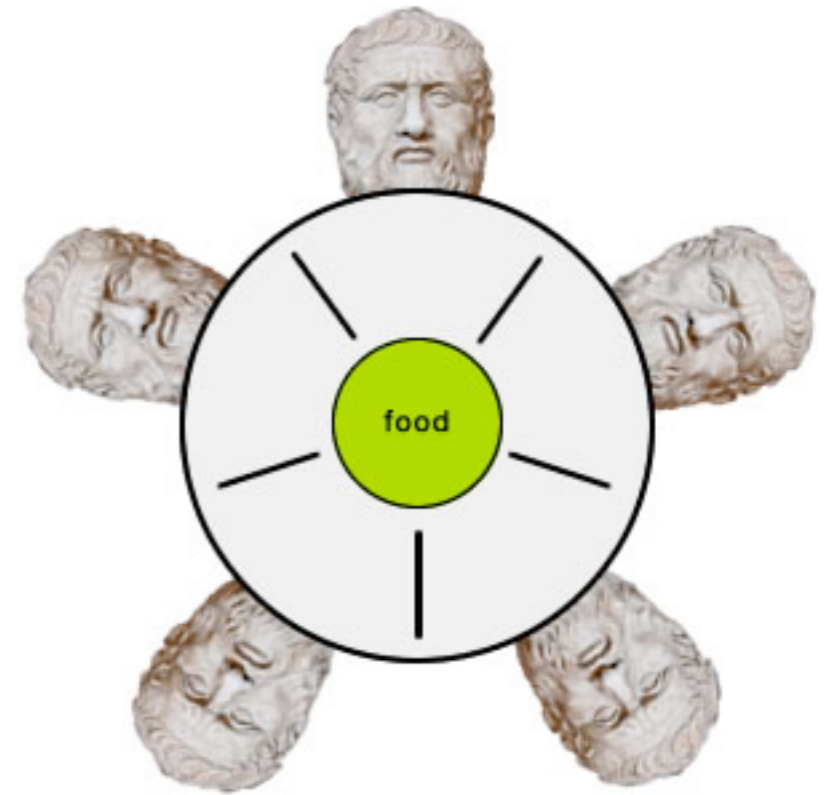
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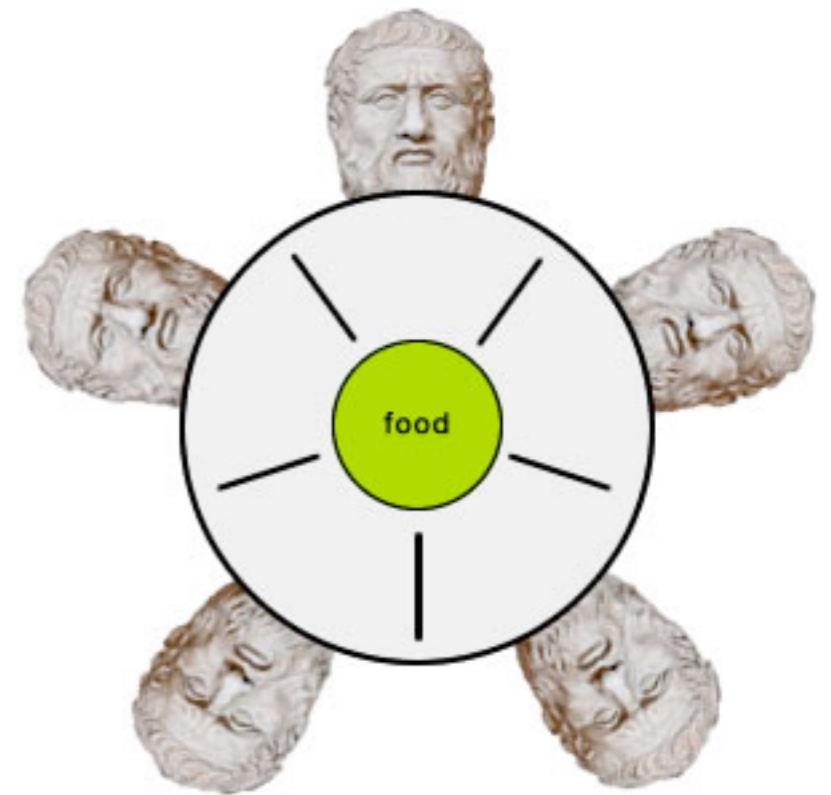
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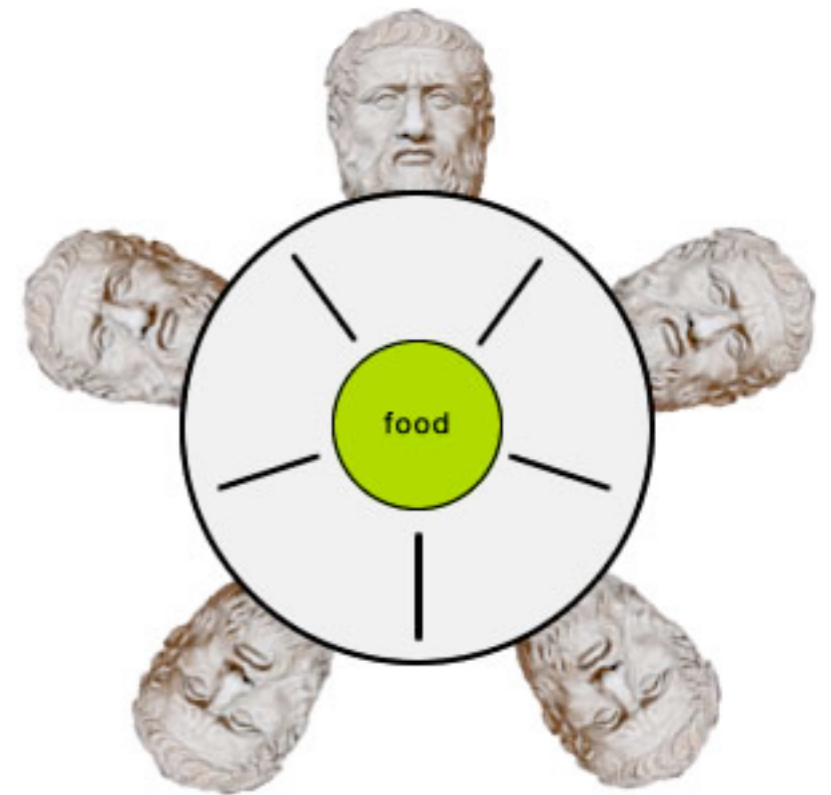
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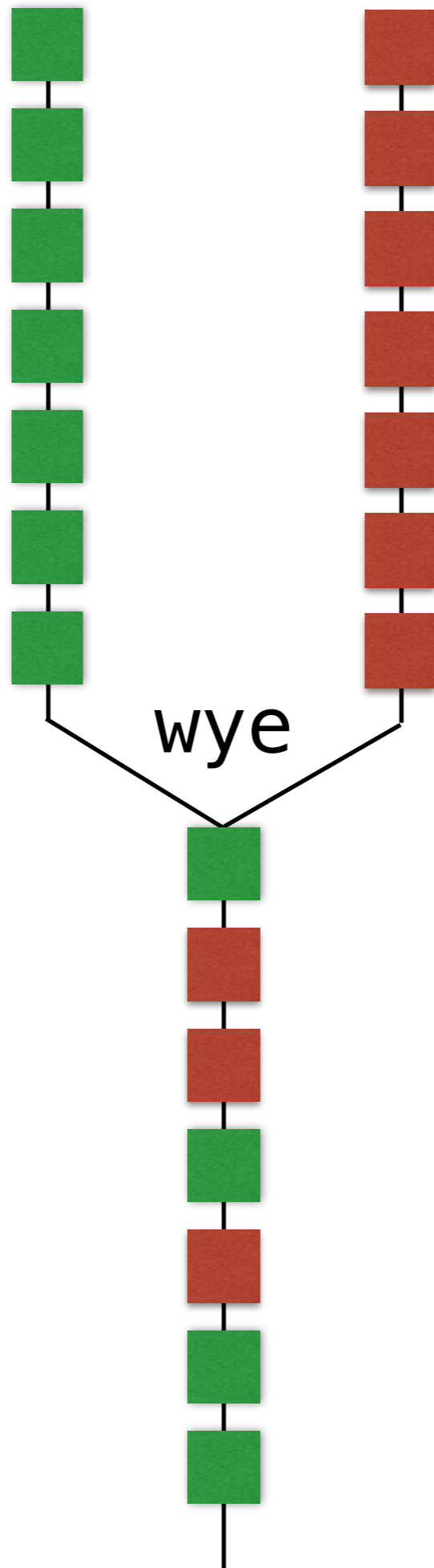


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- Almost everything implemented on top of **wye**







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val right: Process[Task, Message] = ...

val merged: Process[Task, Message] =
  left.wye(right)(wye.merge)
```



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  left merge right    // should be "race"
```

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val left: Process[Task, Message] = ...
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```
val right: Process[Task, Line] = ...
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```
// oh NOES! teh symbols cometh!
```

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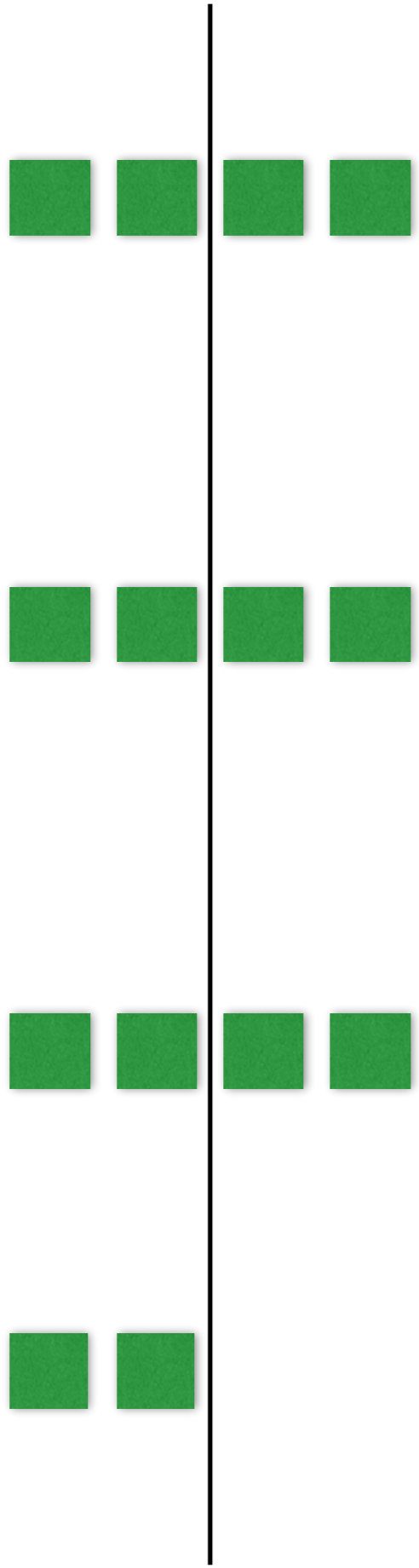
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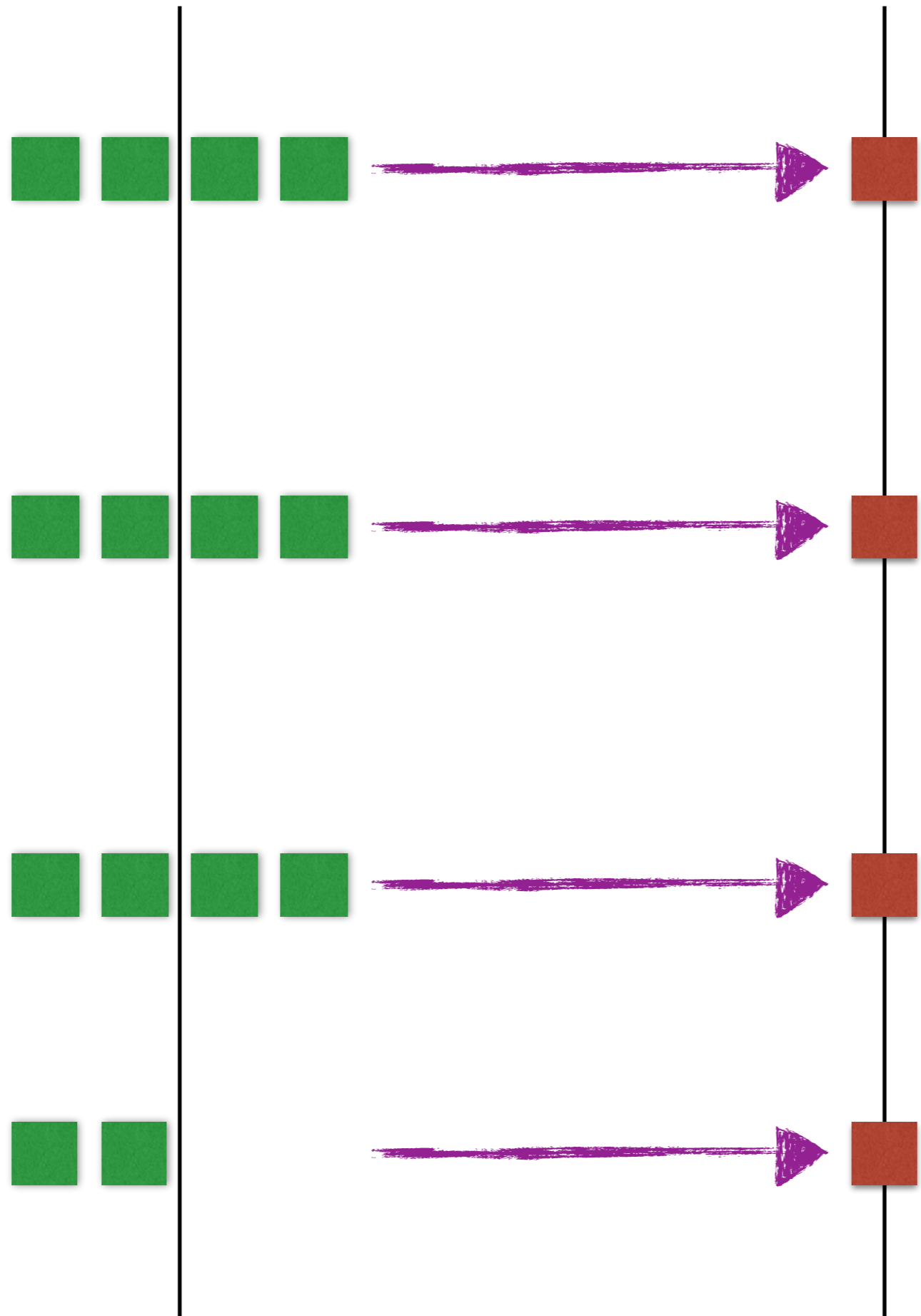
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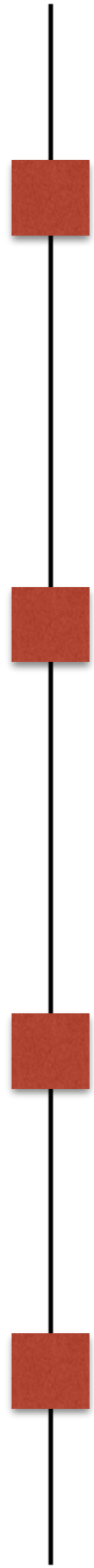
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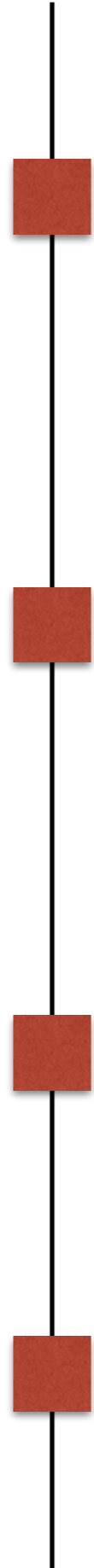


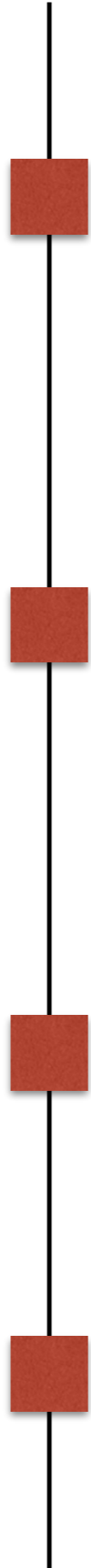














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  pages.gather(4)
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  merge.mergeN(pages)
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```
val address: InetSocketAddress = ???

val relay = async.topic[BitVector]

val handlers = Netty server address map { client =>
  for {
    Exchange(src, sink) <- client

    in = src to relay.publish
    out = relay.subscribe to sink

    _ <- in merge out
  } yield ()
}

val server: Task[Unit] = merge.mergeN(handlers).run
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```
implicit val codec: Codec[String] = utf8

def transcode(ex: Exchange[BitVector, BitVector]) = {
  val decoder = decode.many[String]
  val encoder = encode.many[String]

  val Exchange(src, sink) = ex

  val src2 = src flatMap decoder.decode
  val sink2 = sink pipeIn encoder.encoder

  Exchange(src2, sink2)
}
```

```
val clientP = for {  
  rawData <- Netty connect address  
  Exchange(src, sink) = transcode(rawData)  
  
  in = src to io.stdoutLines  
  out = io.stdinLines to sink  
  
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} yield ()  
  
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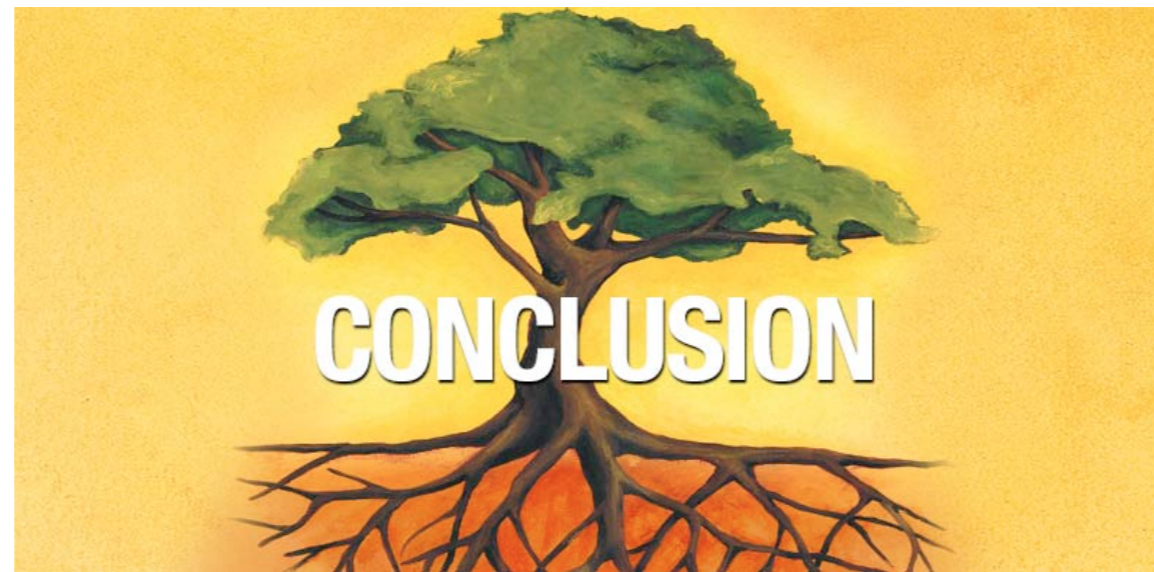
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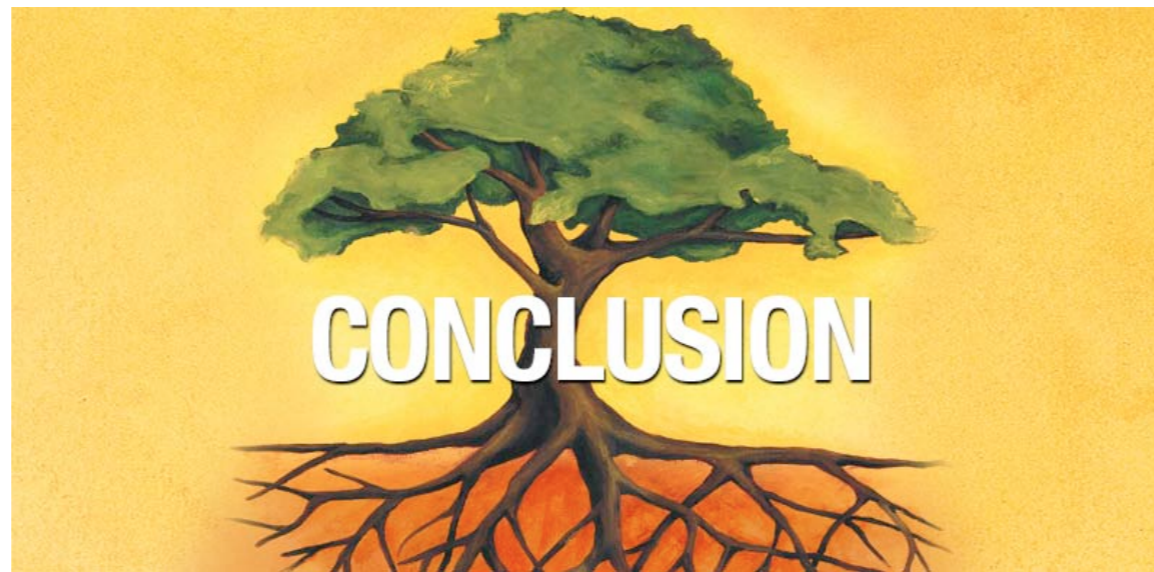
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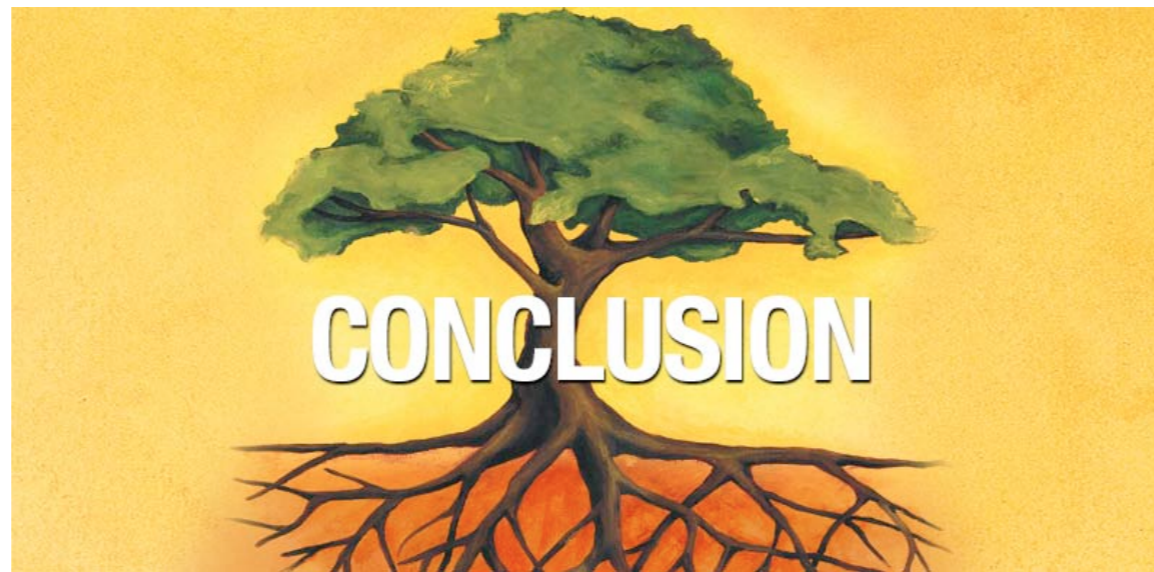
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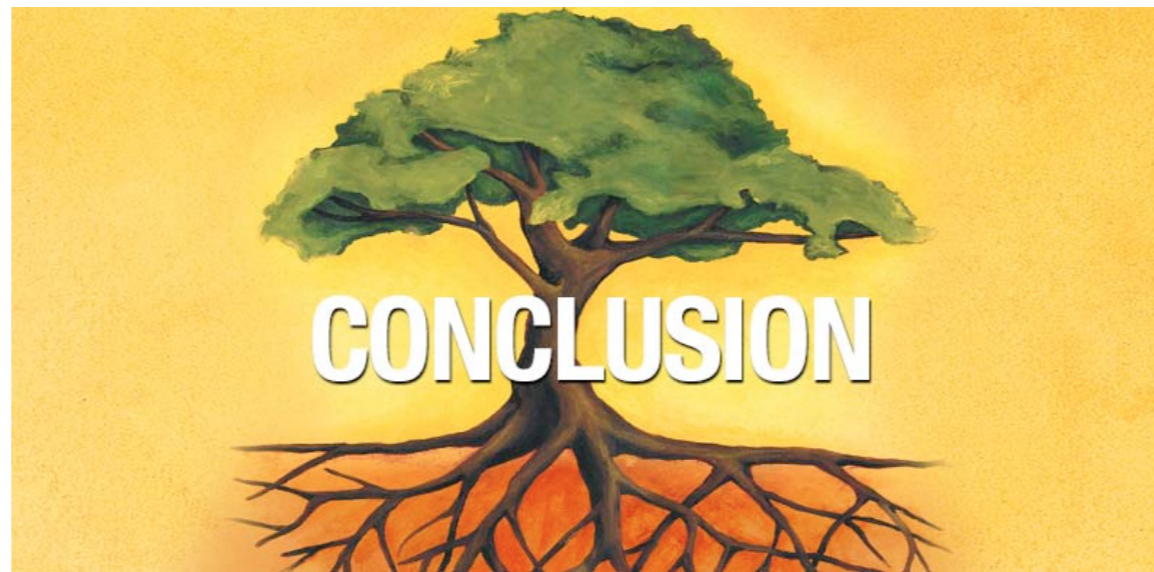
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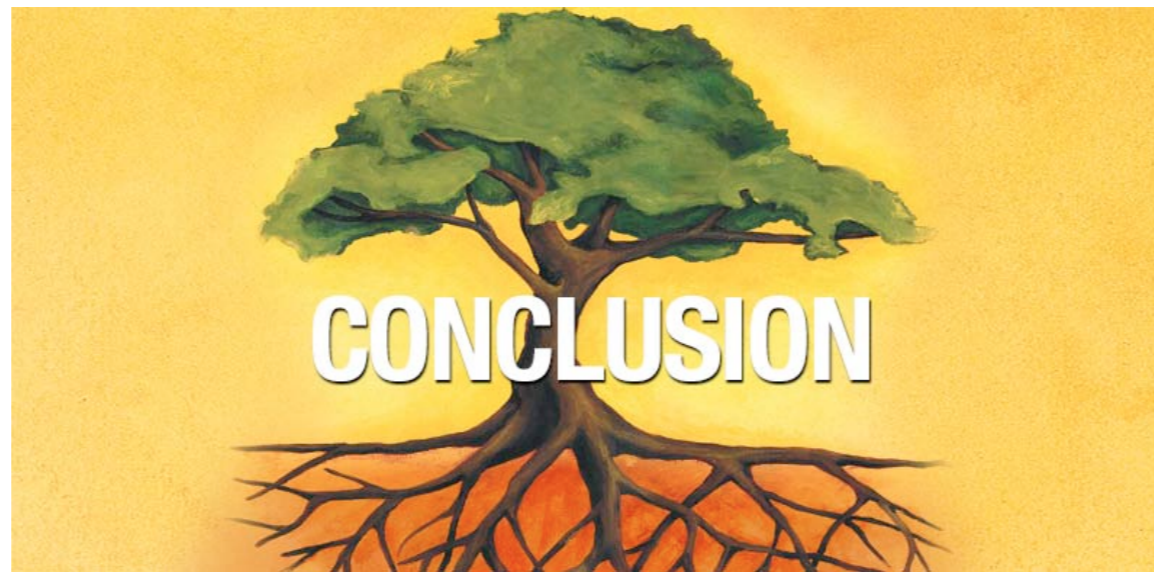
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