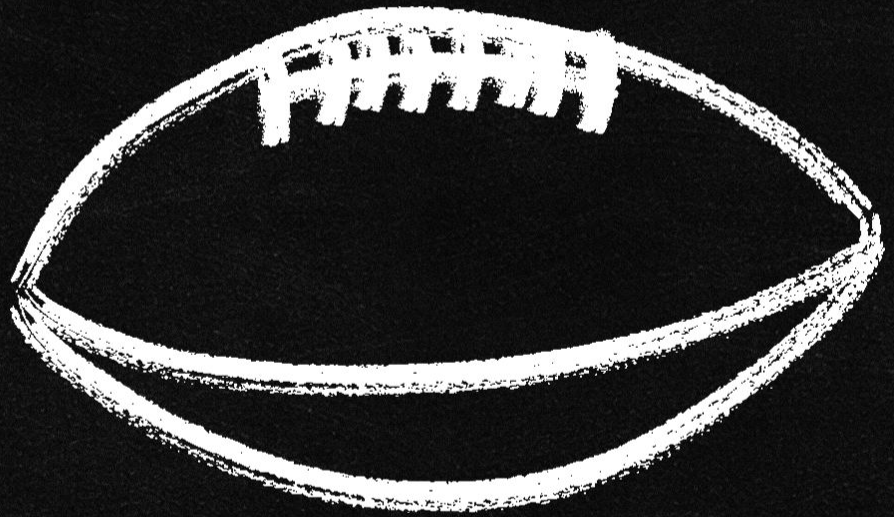

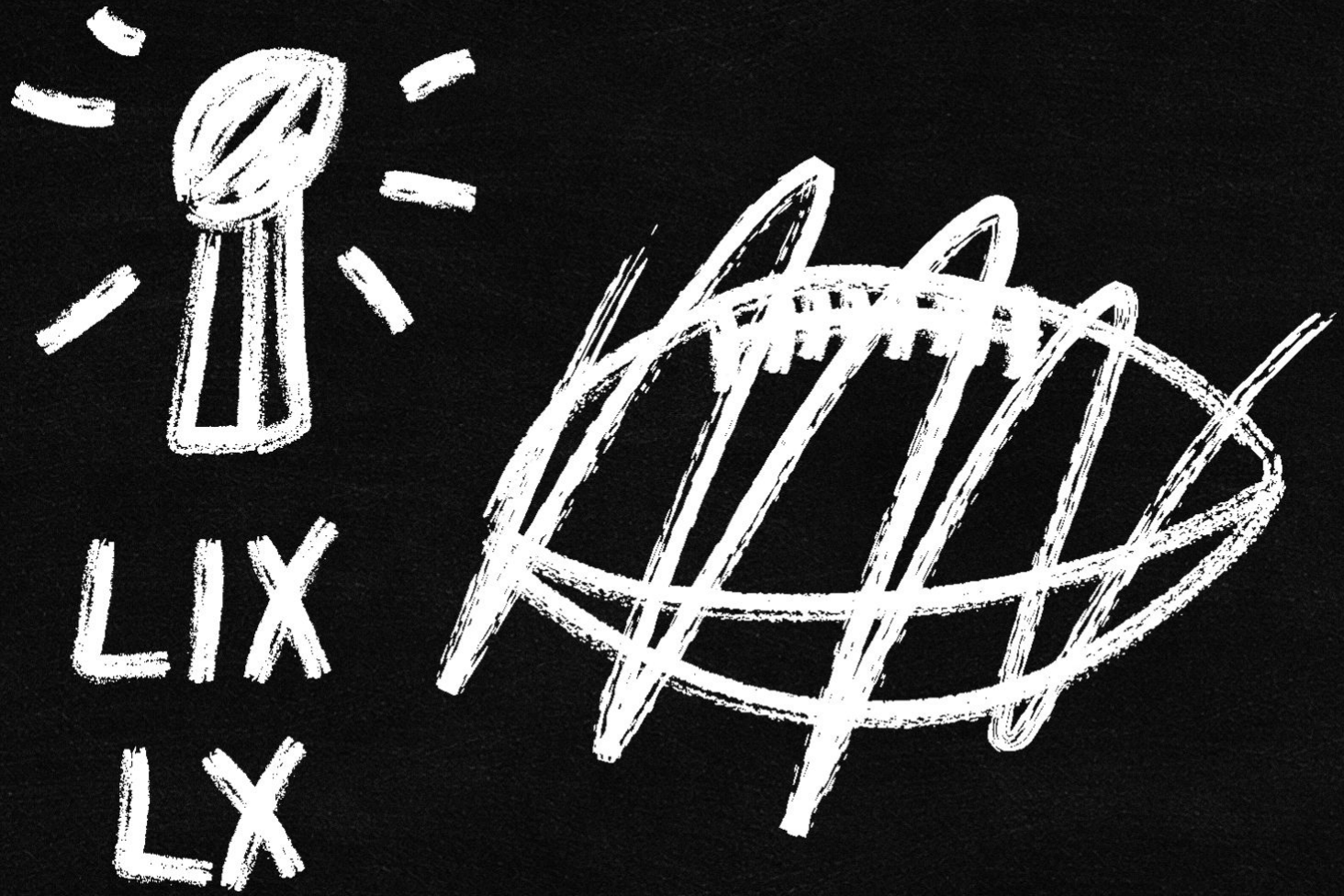
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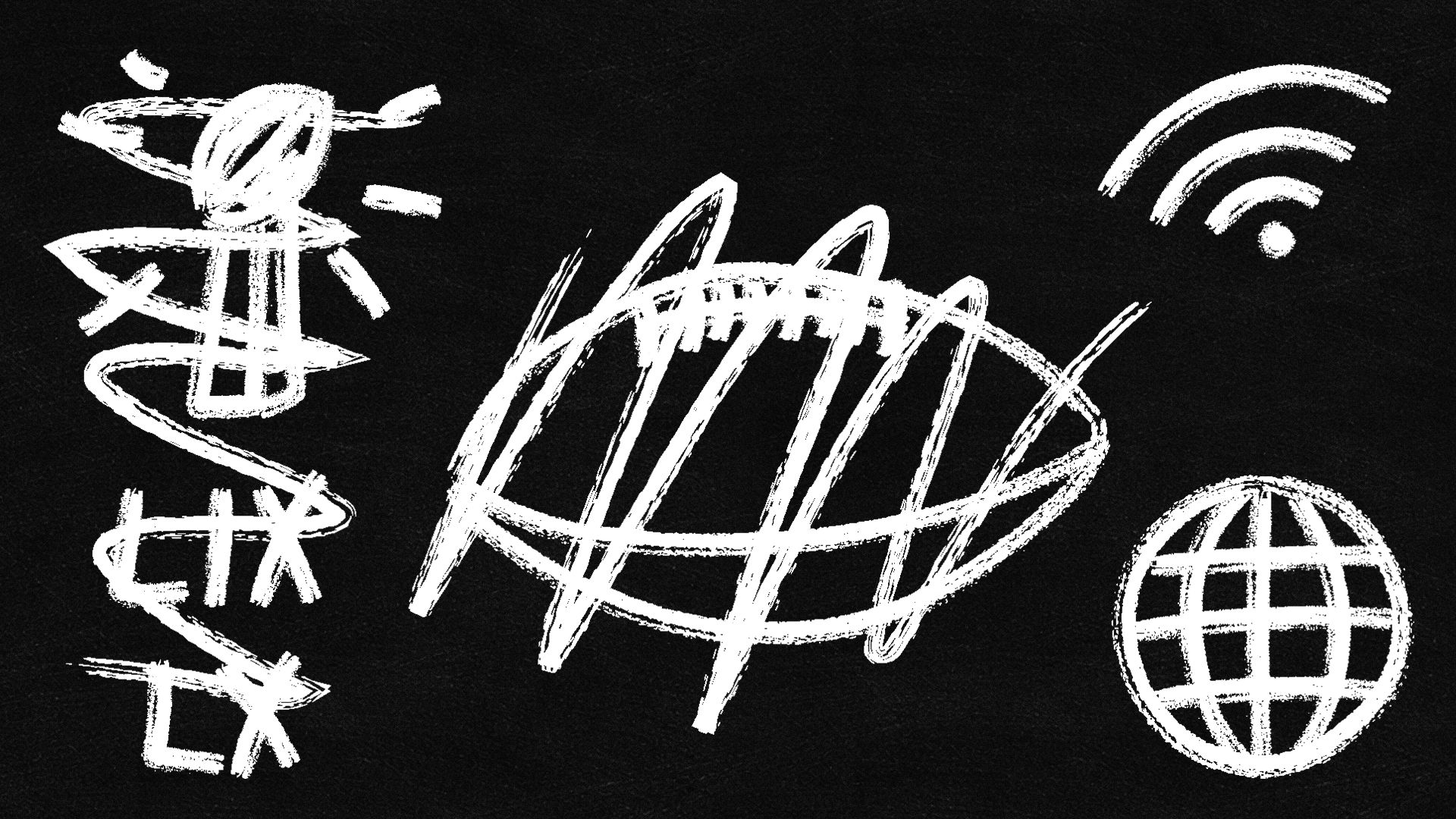

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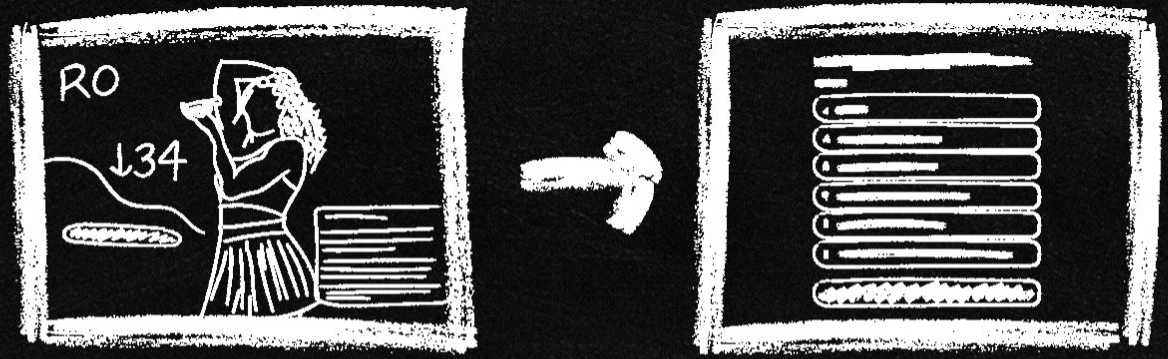

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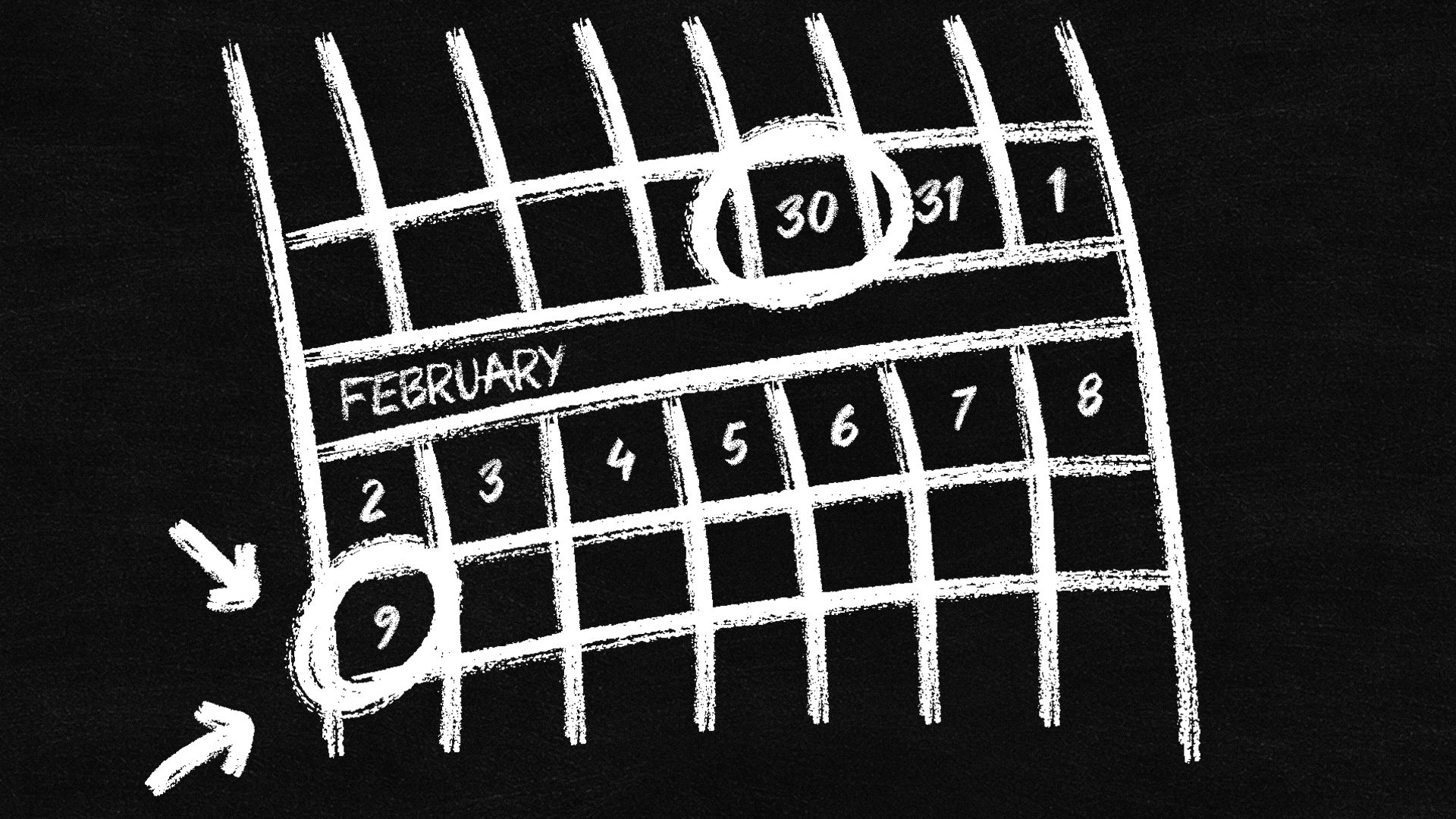
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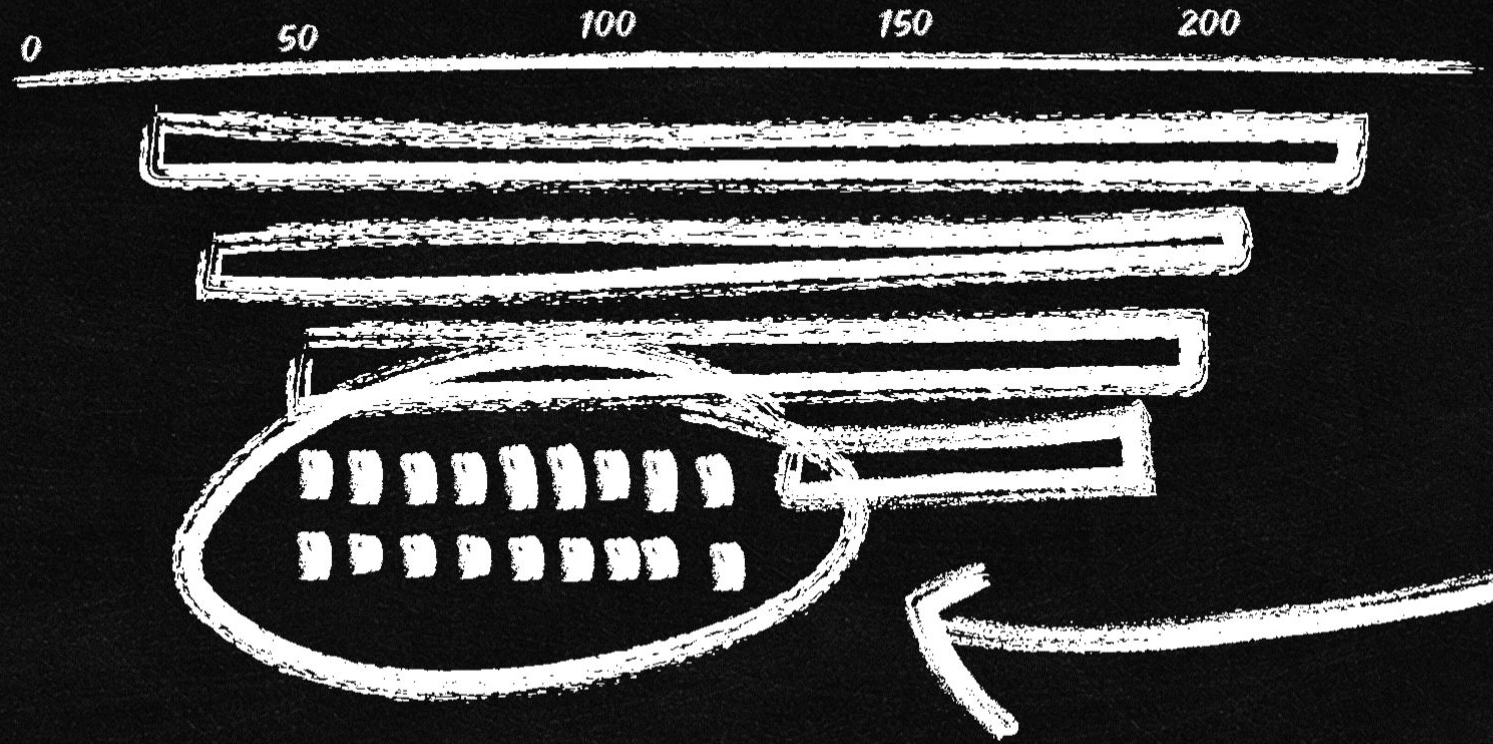
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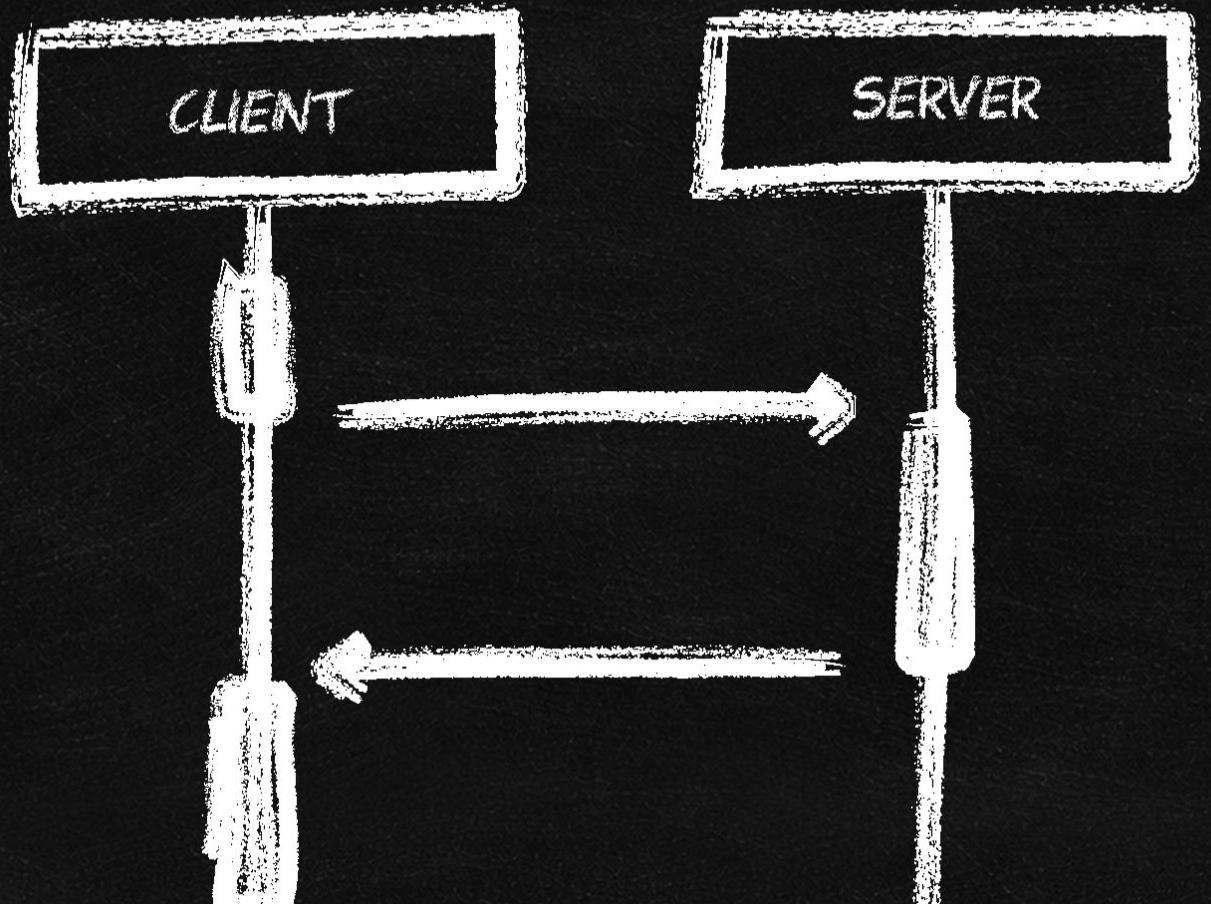

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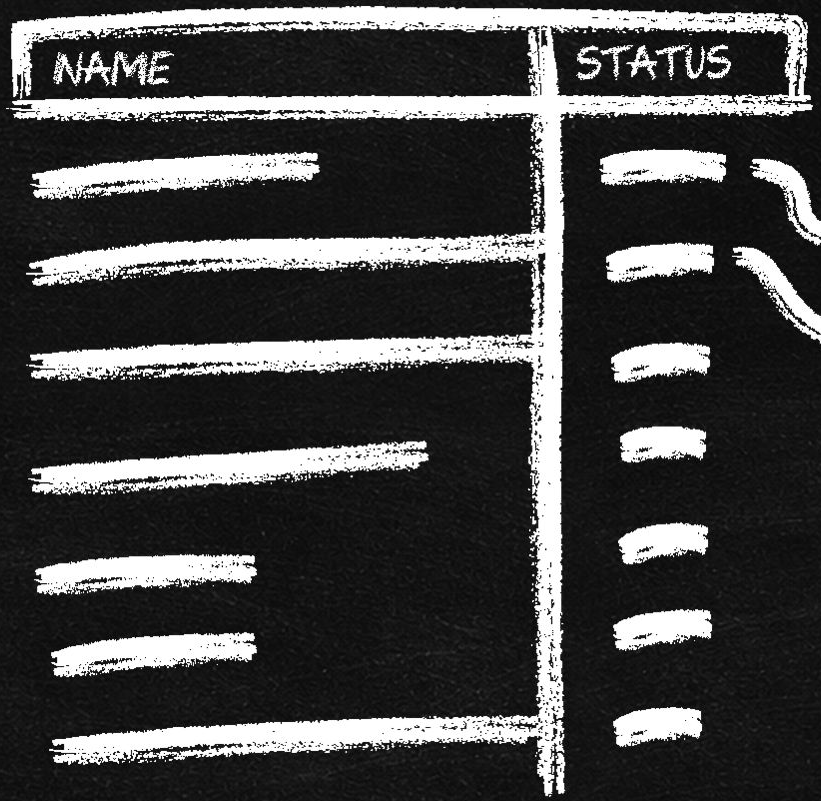


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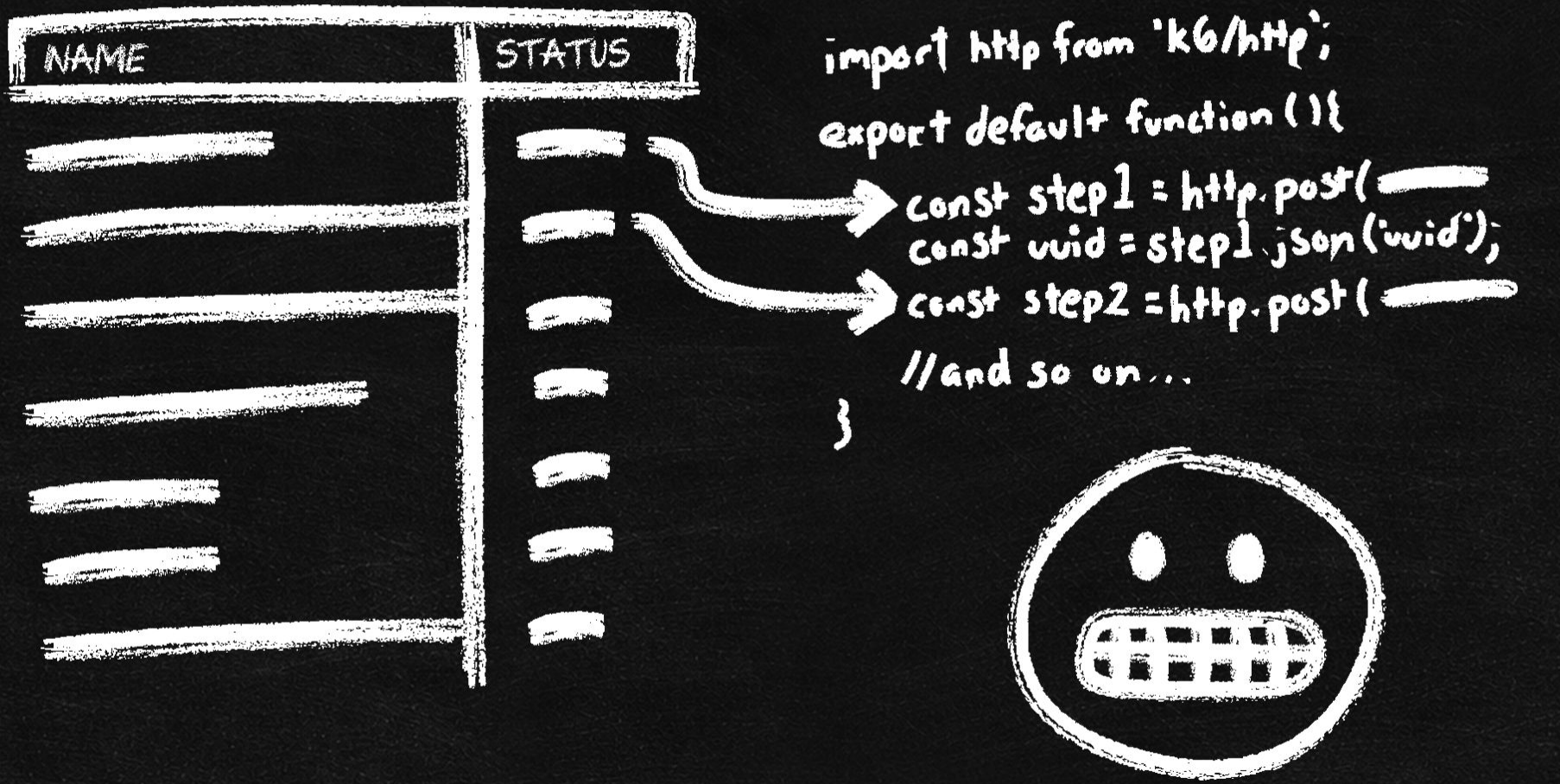
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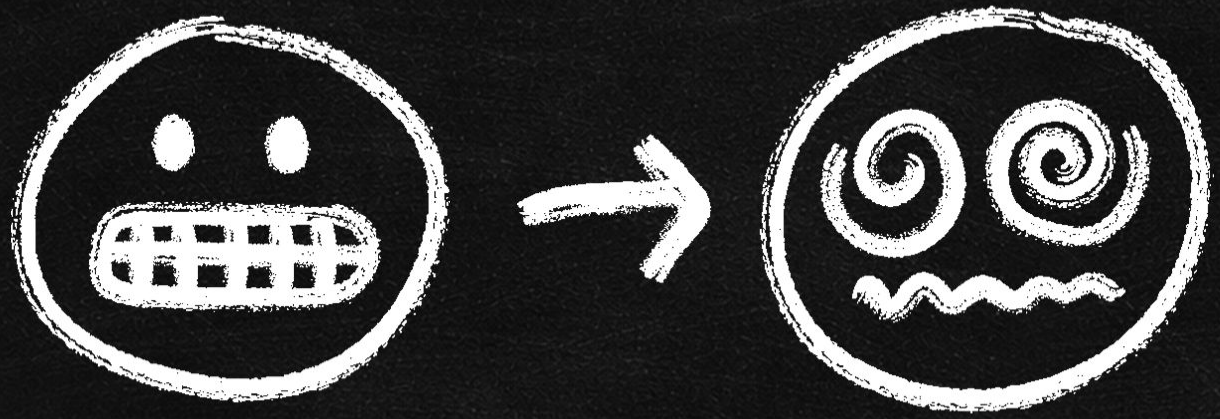

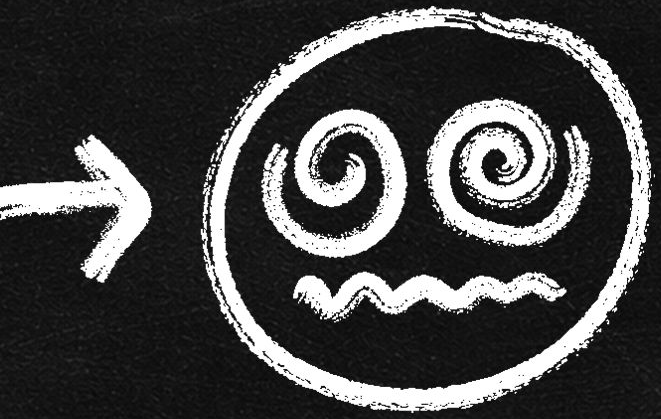

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in our staging tests (granted not 1:1 with size of things) SQS held up well, limiting factor was still member create

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(which we briefly discussed how we make member create async and then determined that 8PM on a friday was not the time for that architecture decision)

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hahahahahaha COWARDS


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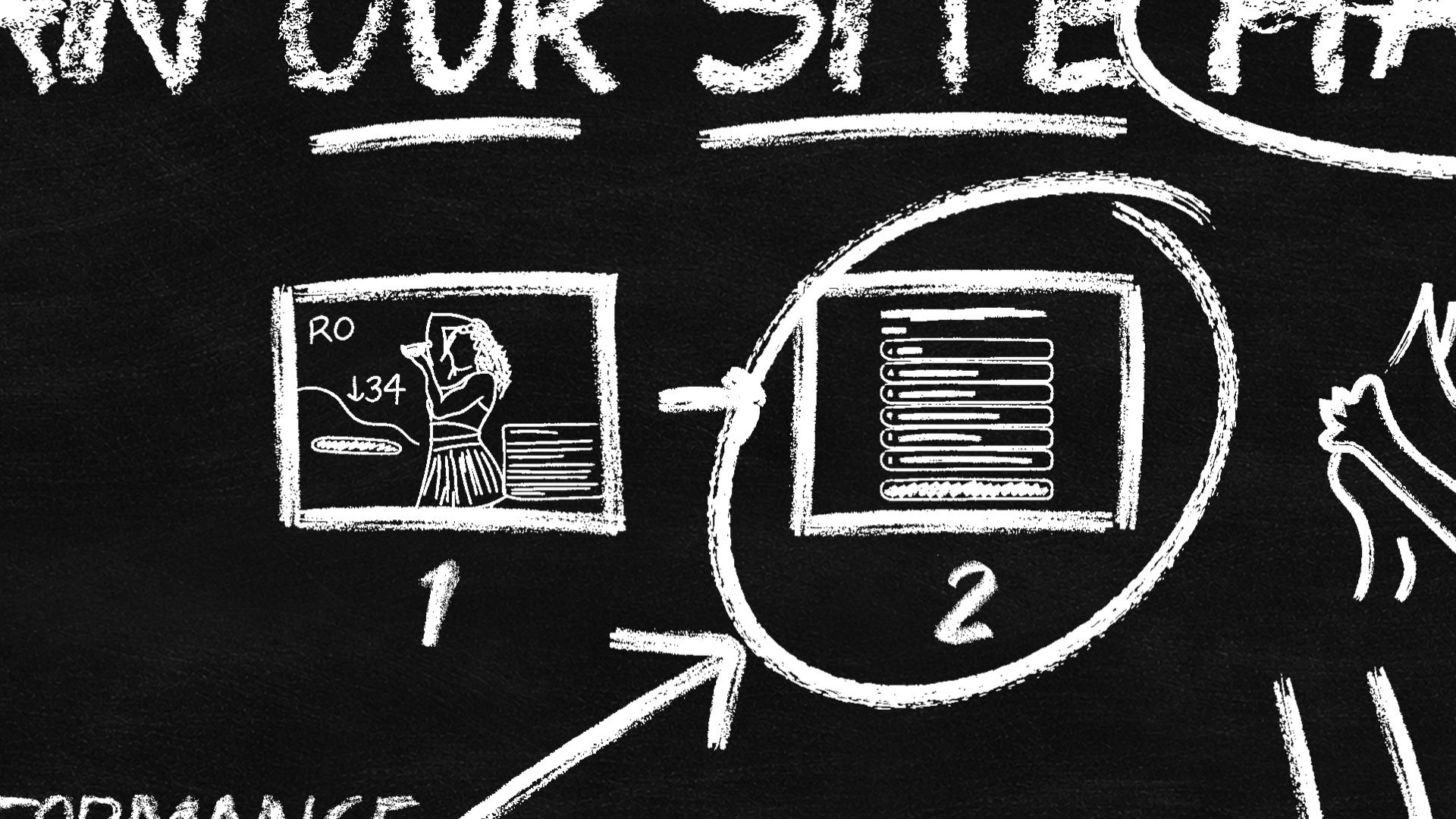
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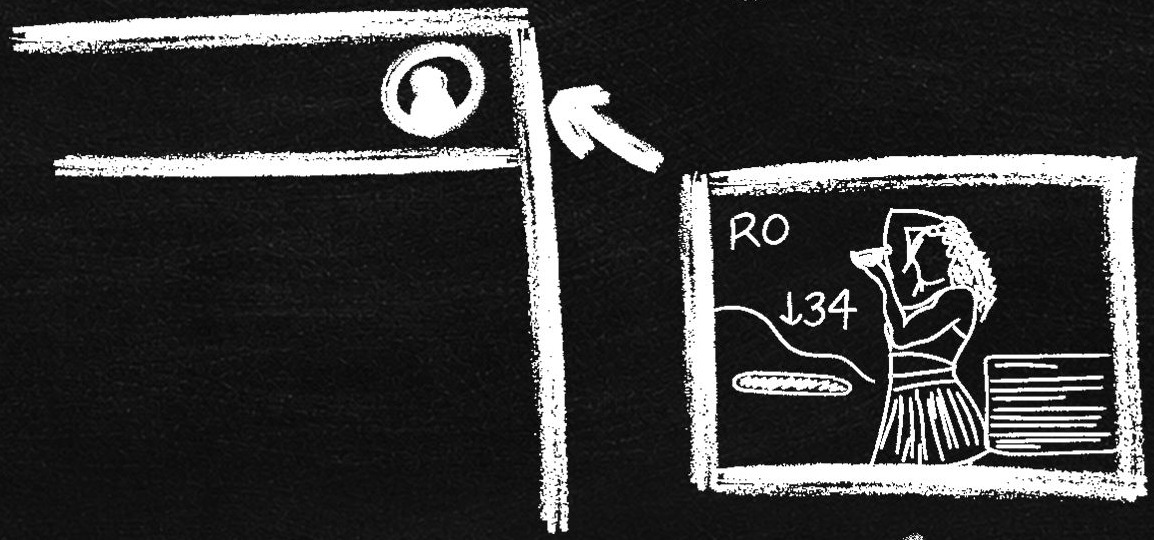

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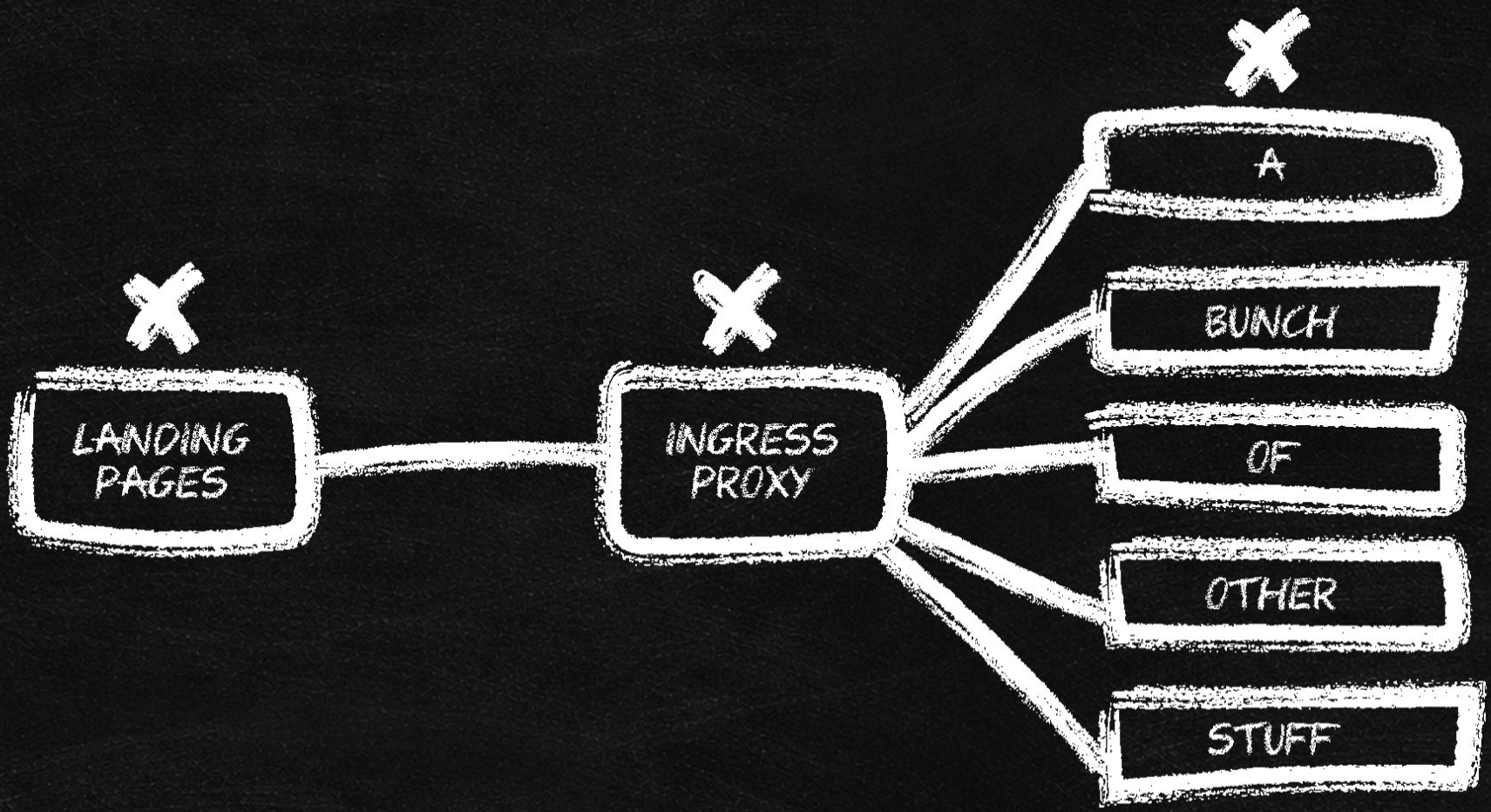
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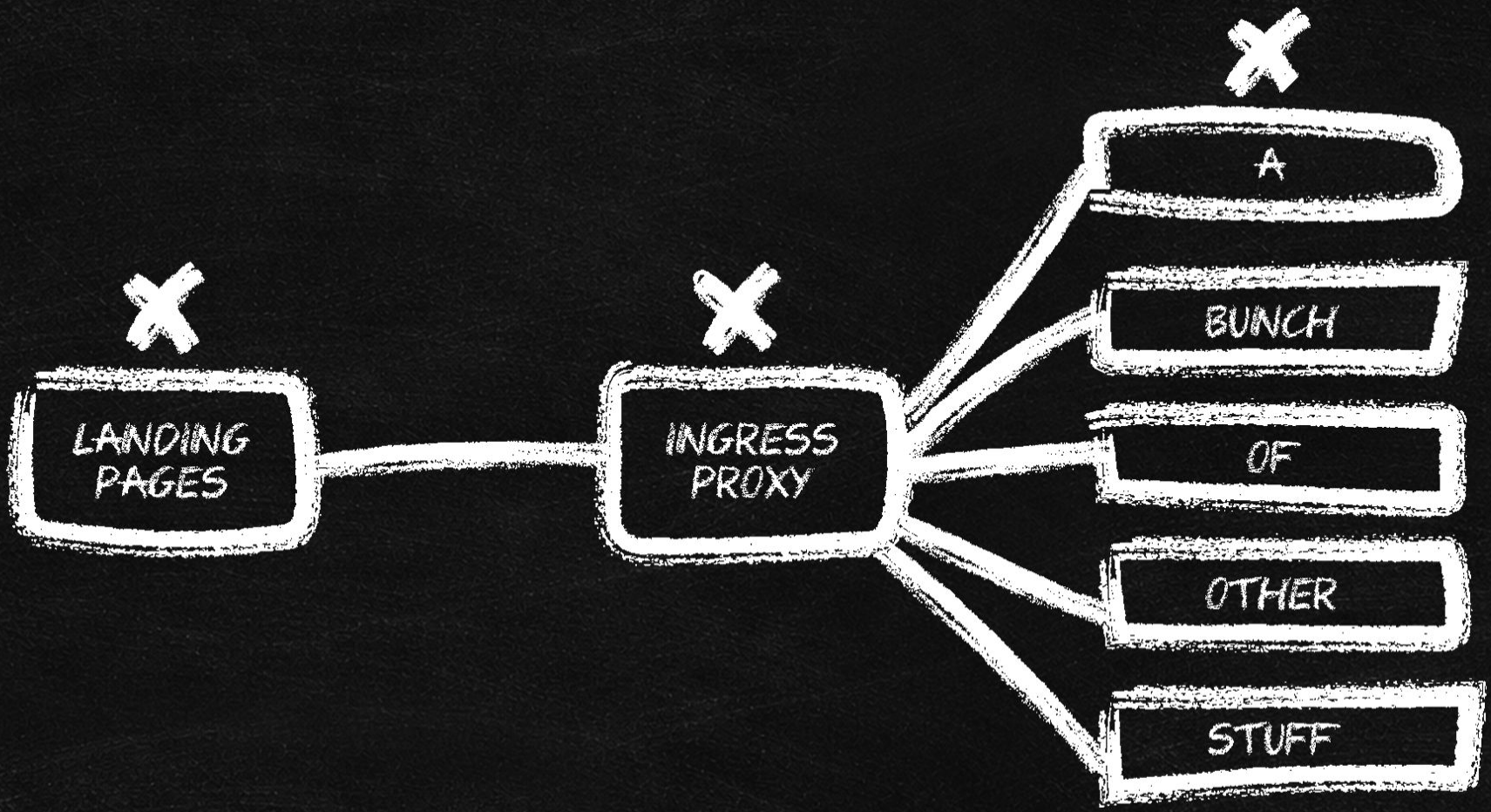
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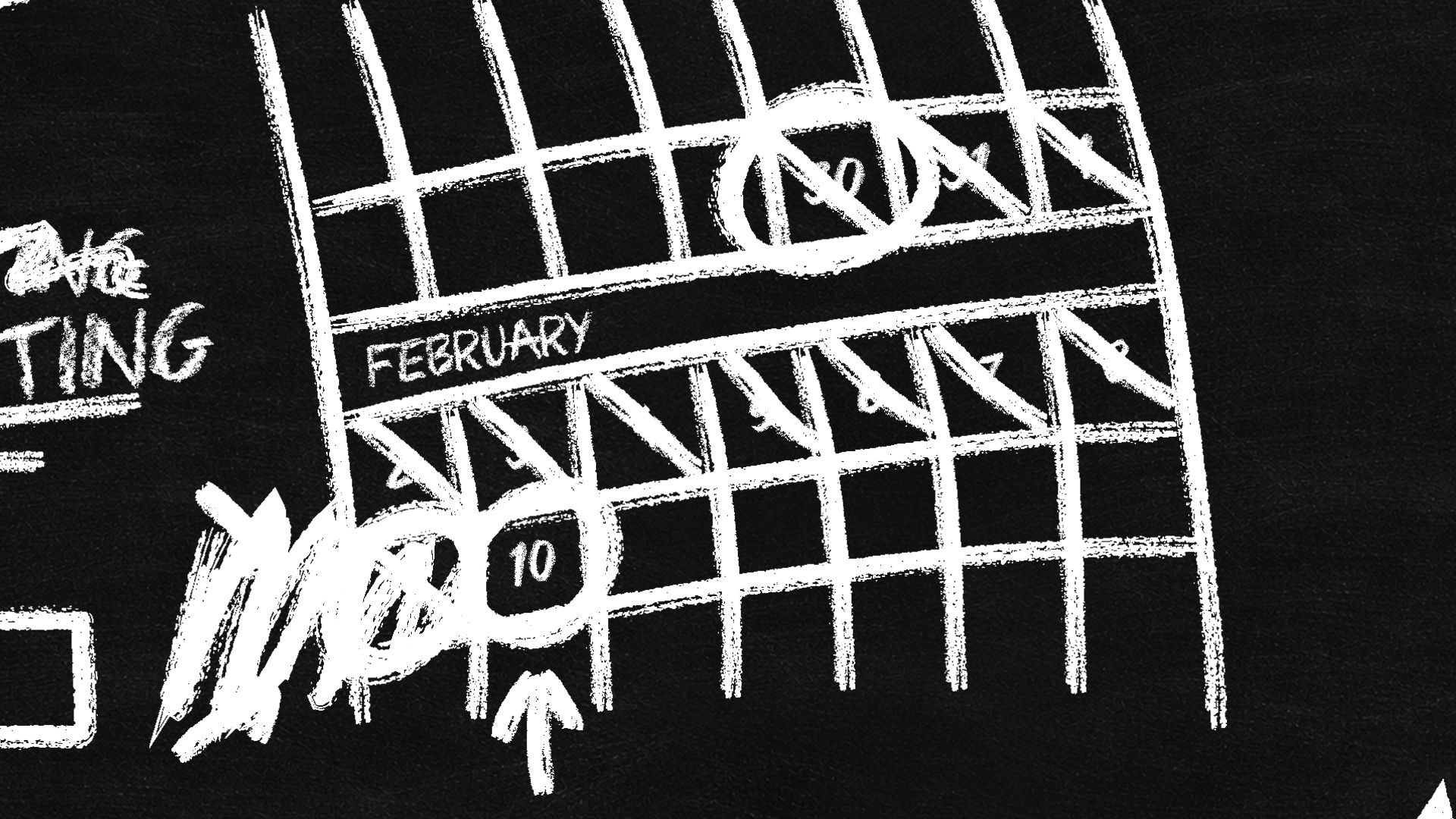
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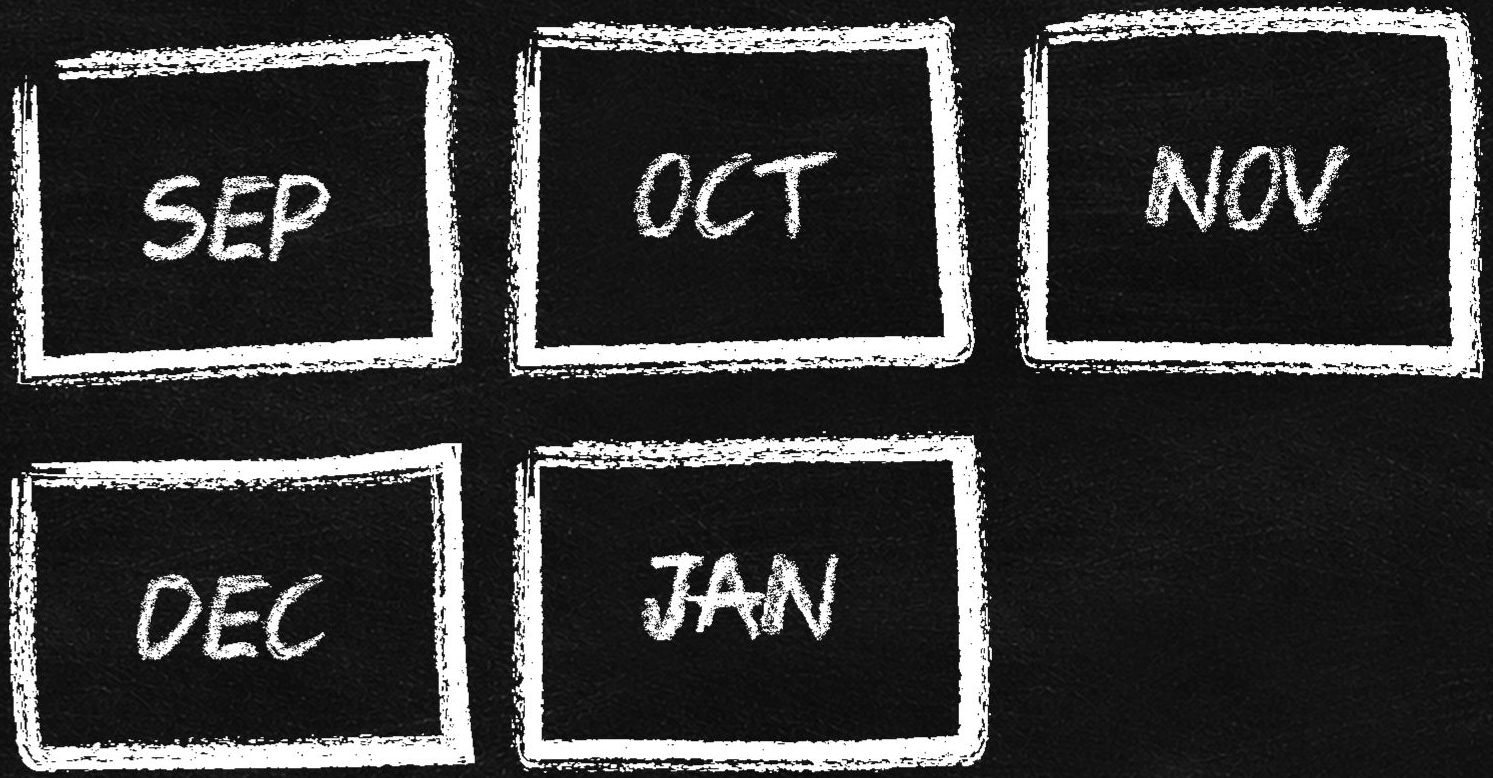
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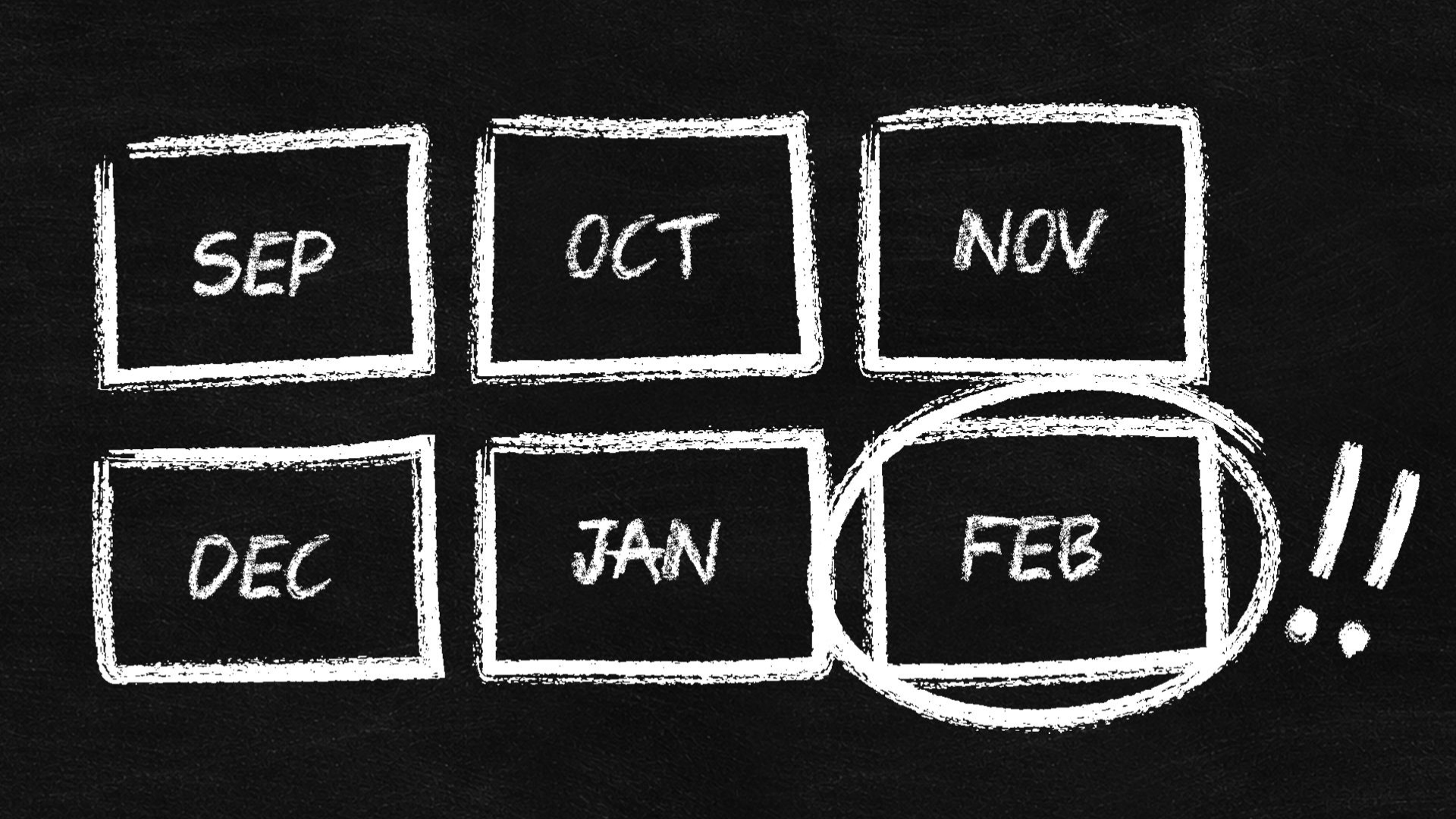
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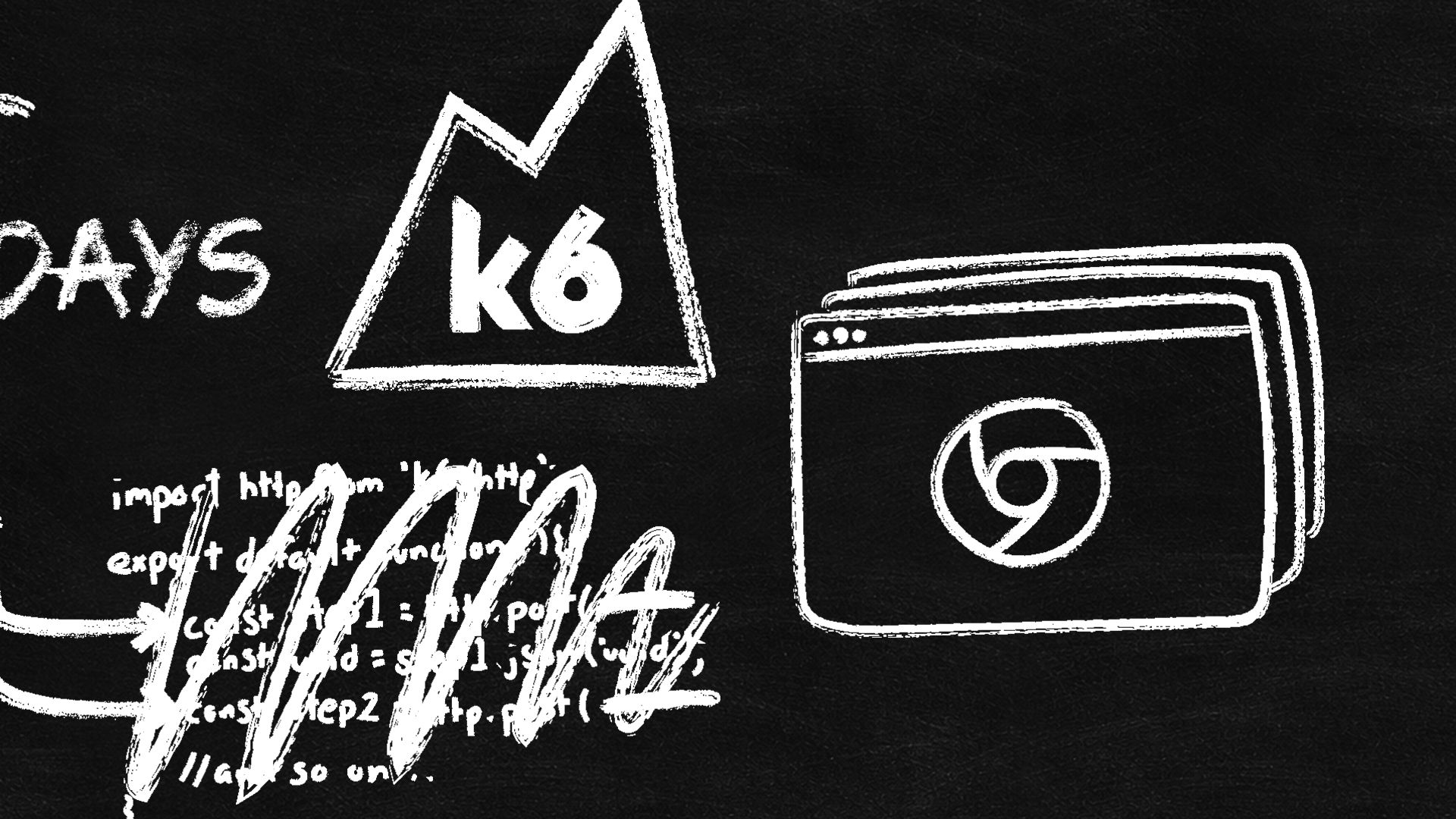
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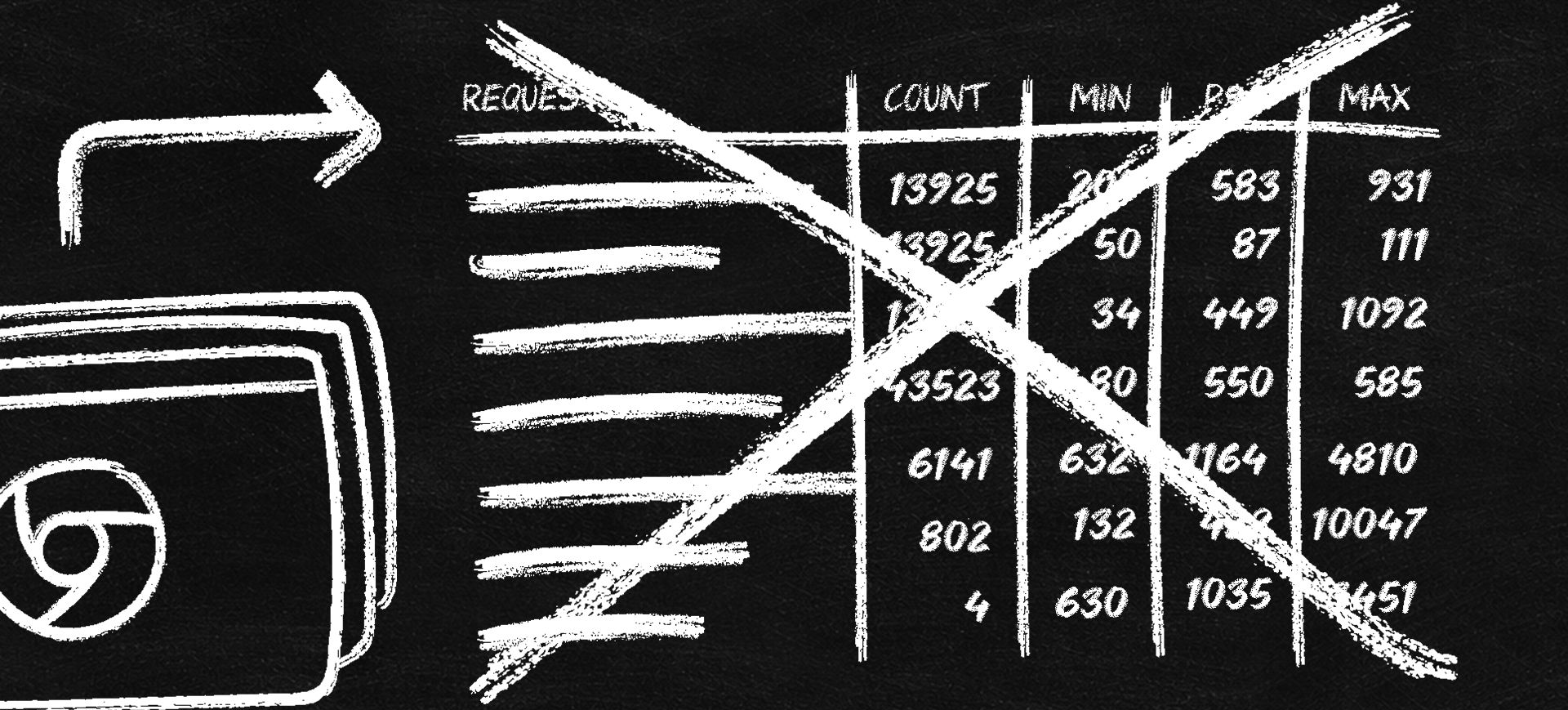
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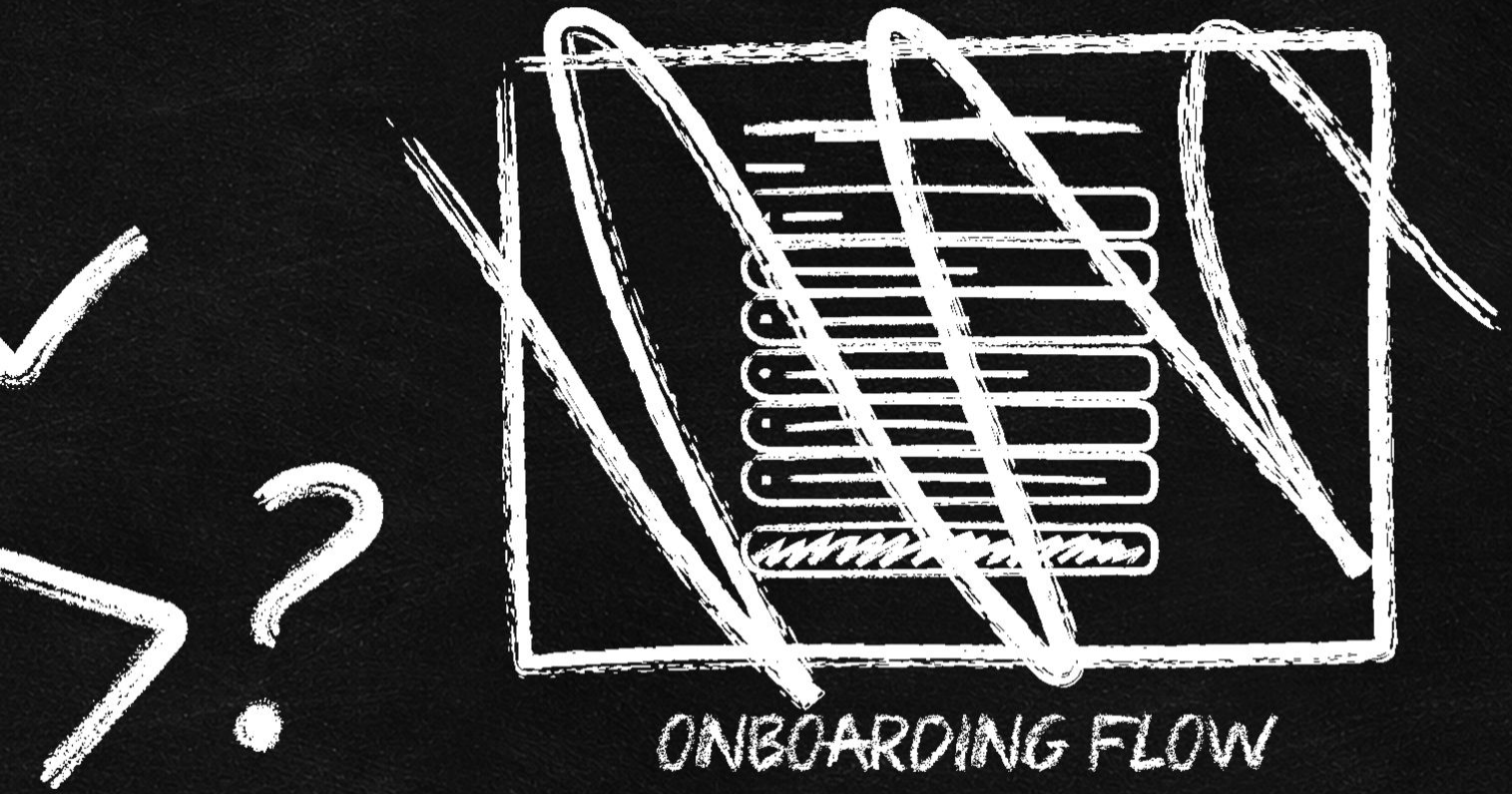
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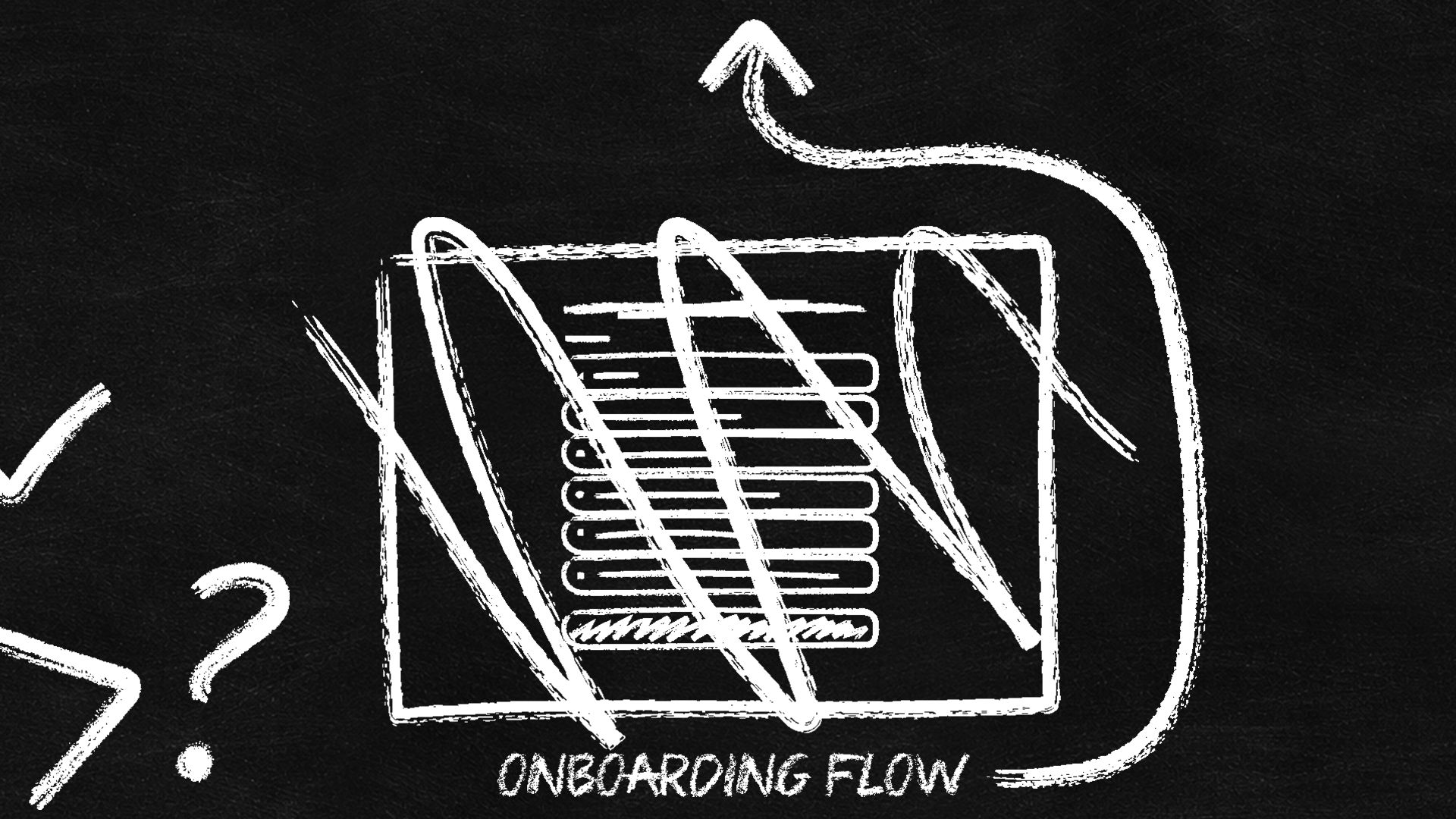
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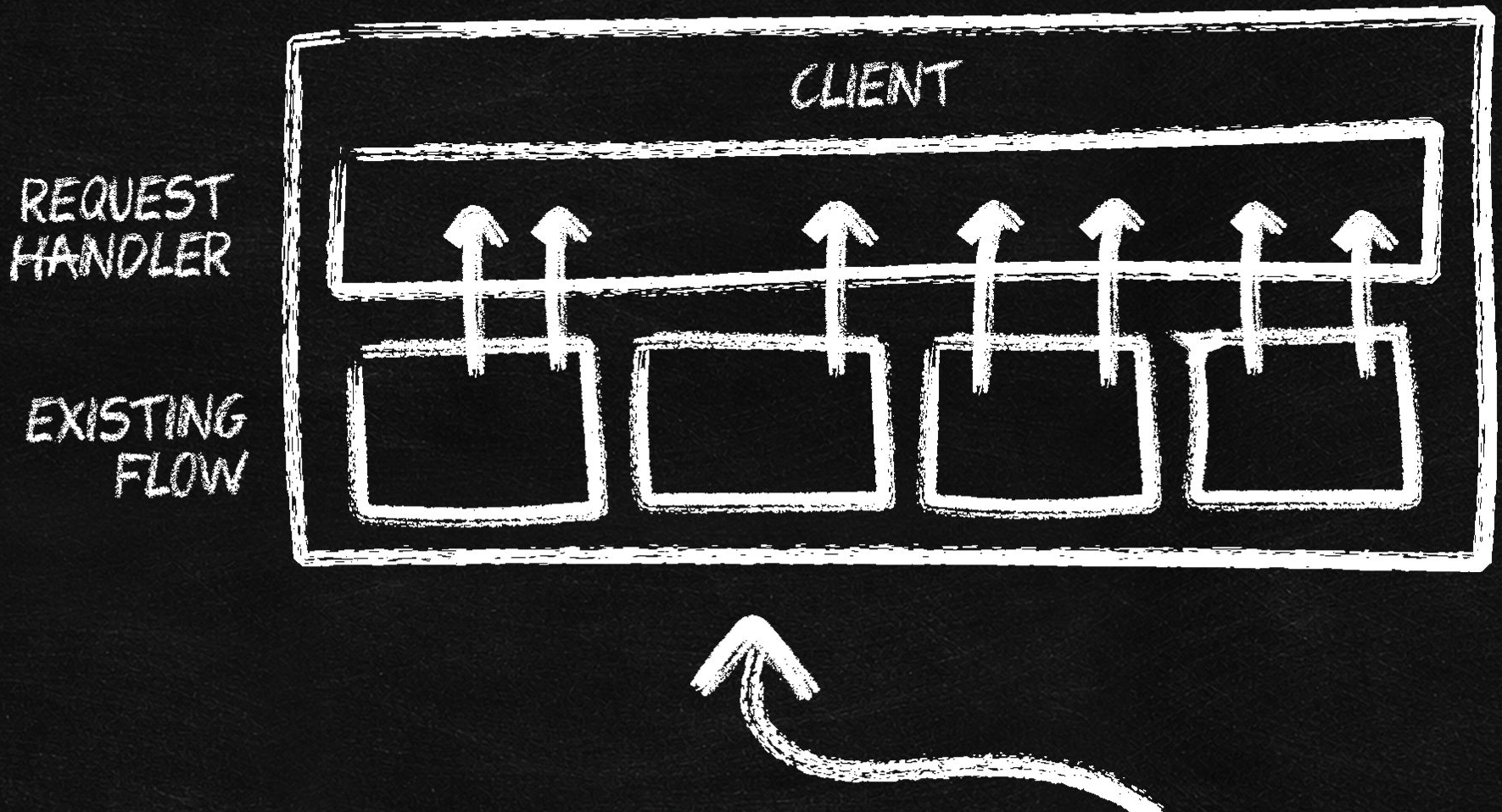
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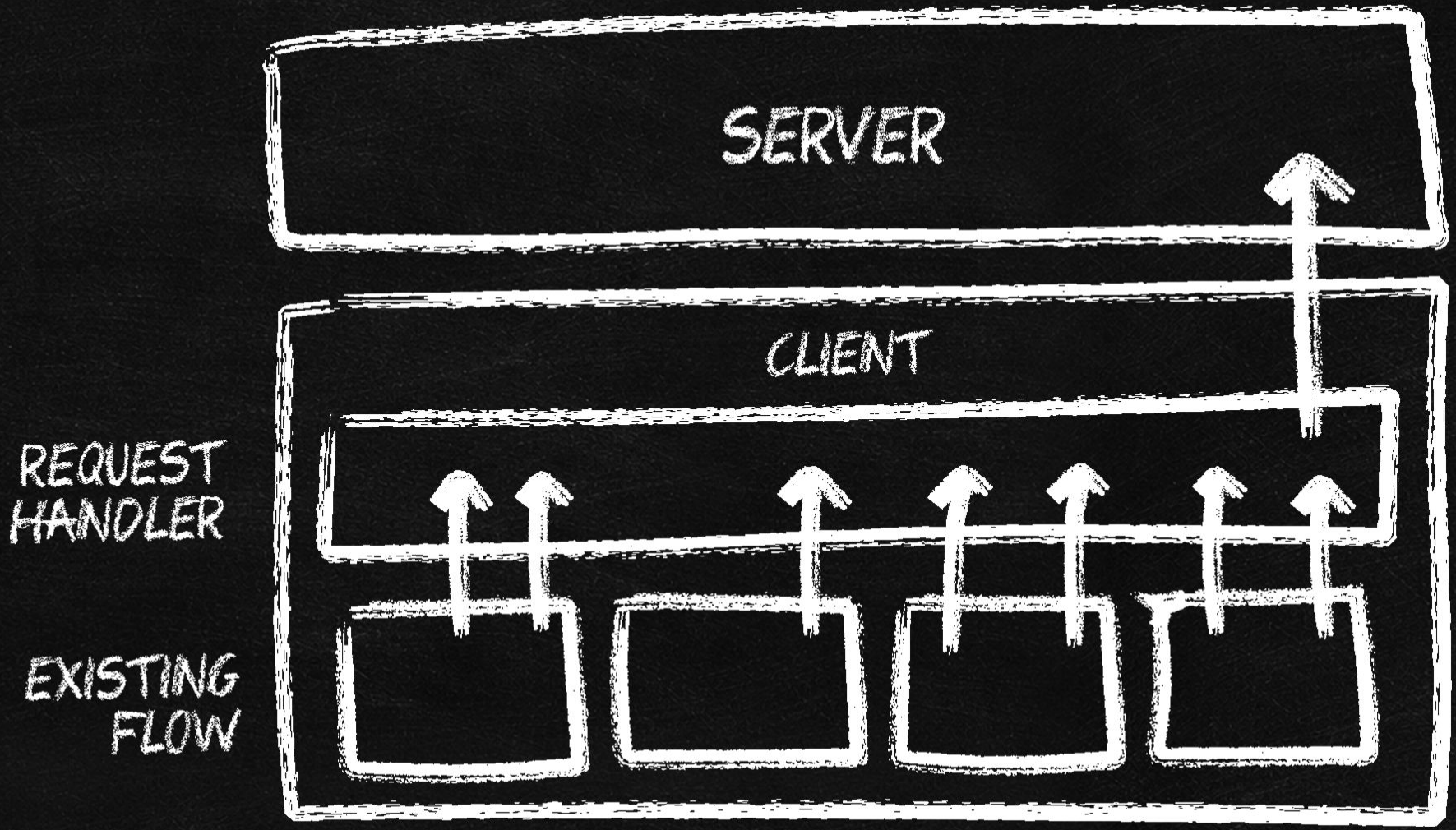
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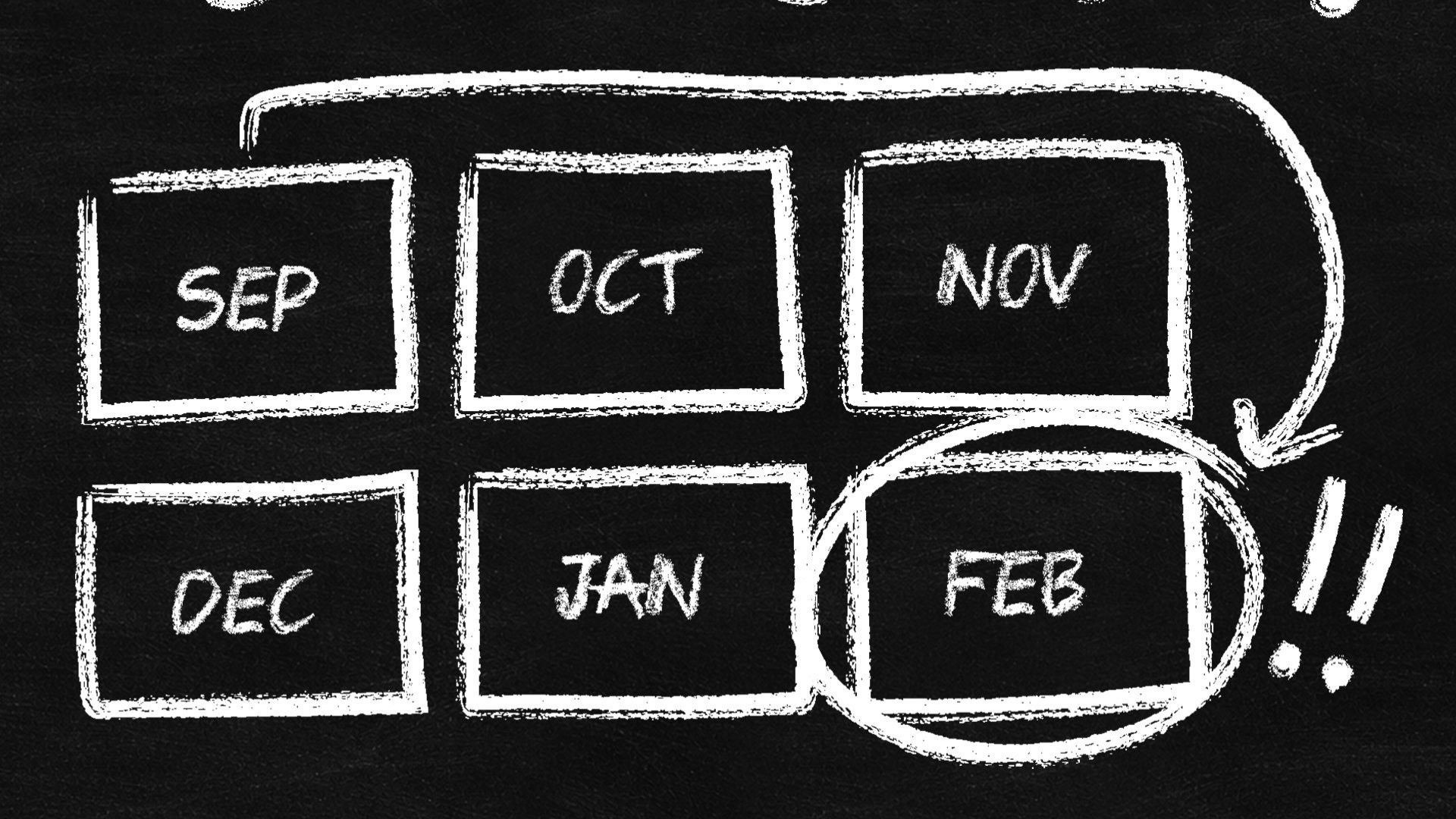
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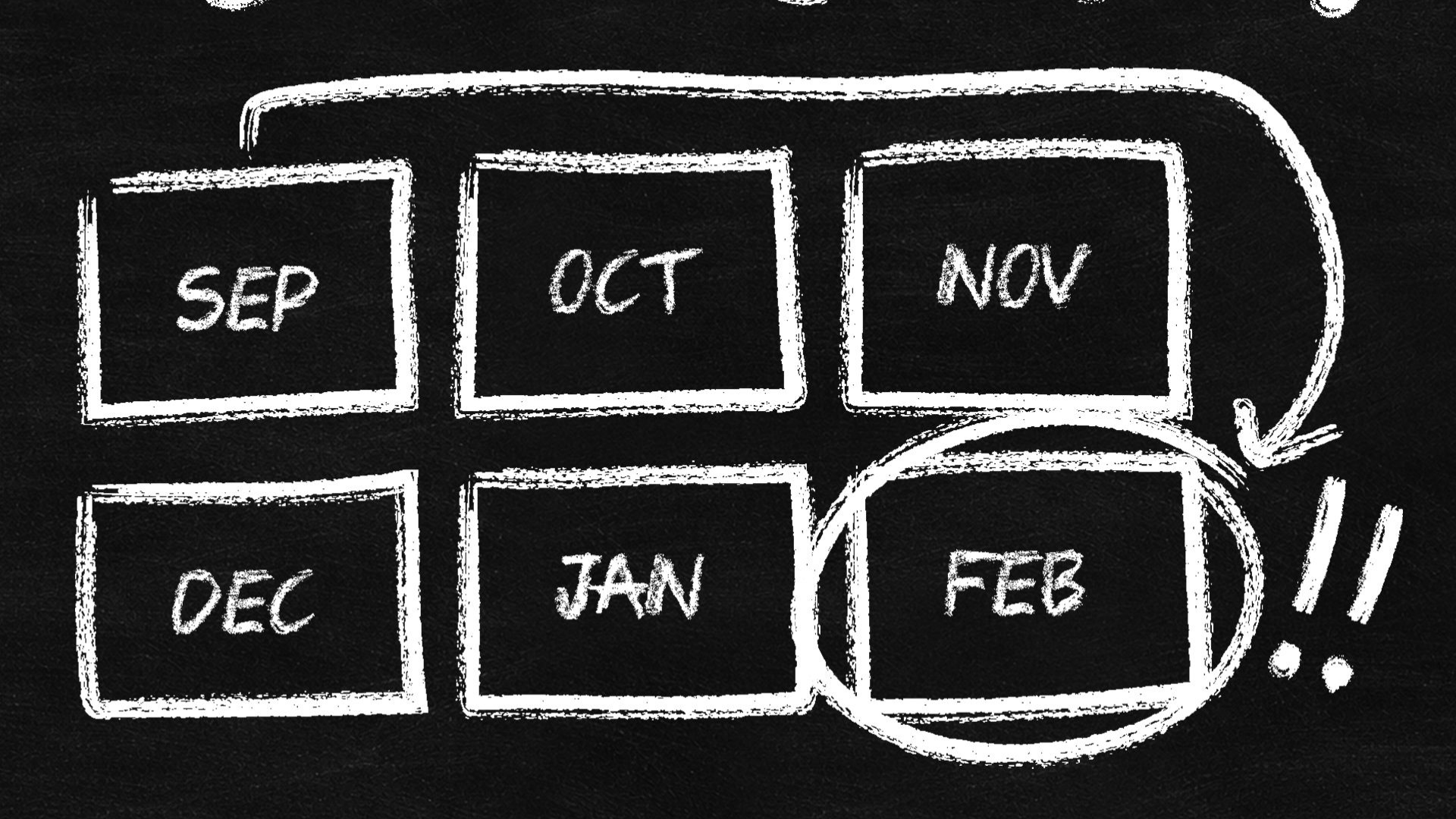
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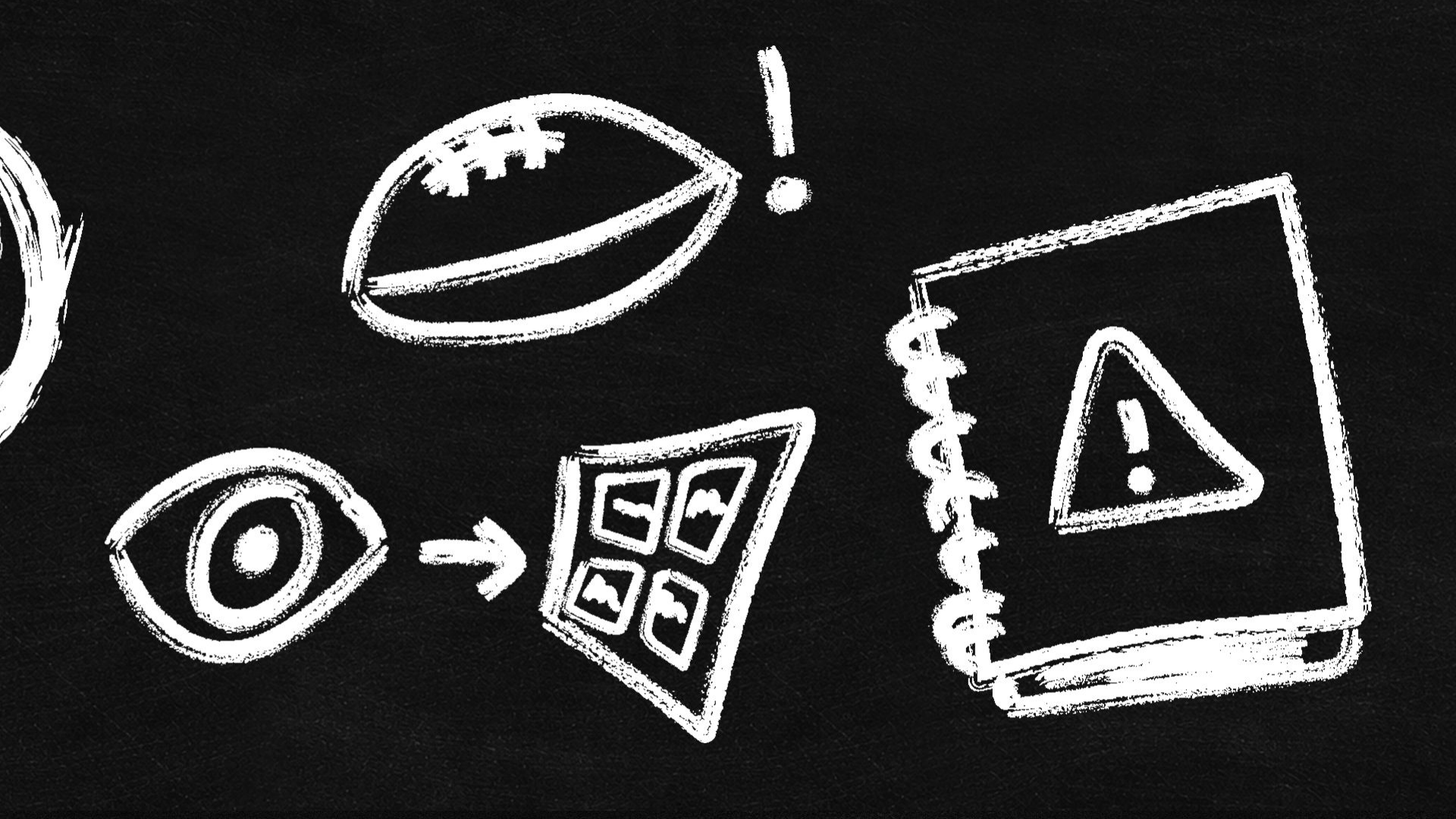

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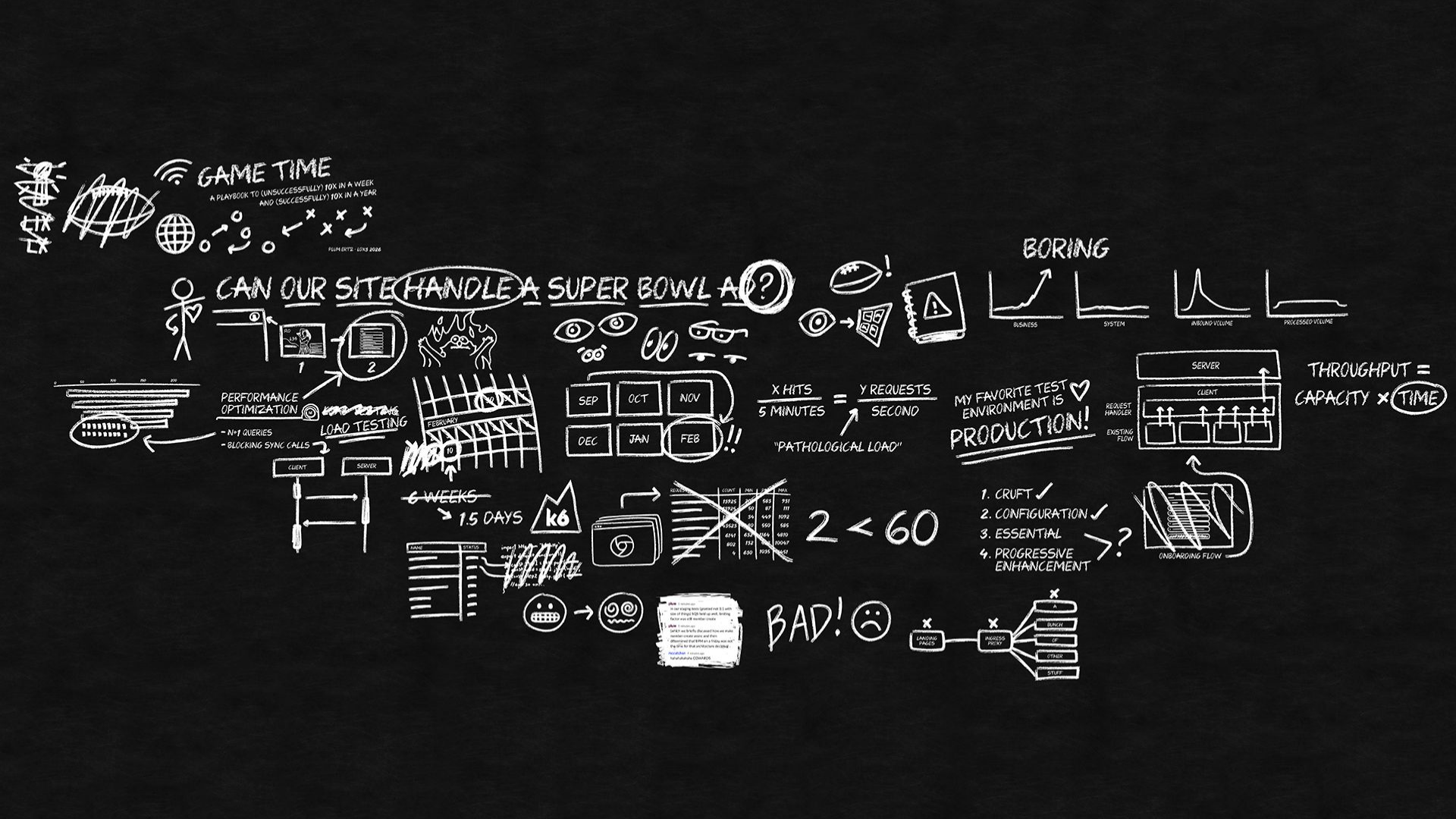
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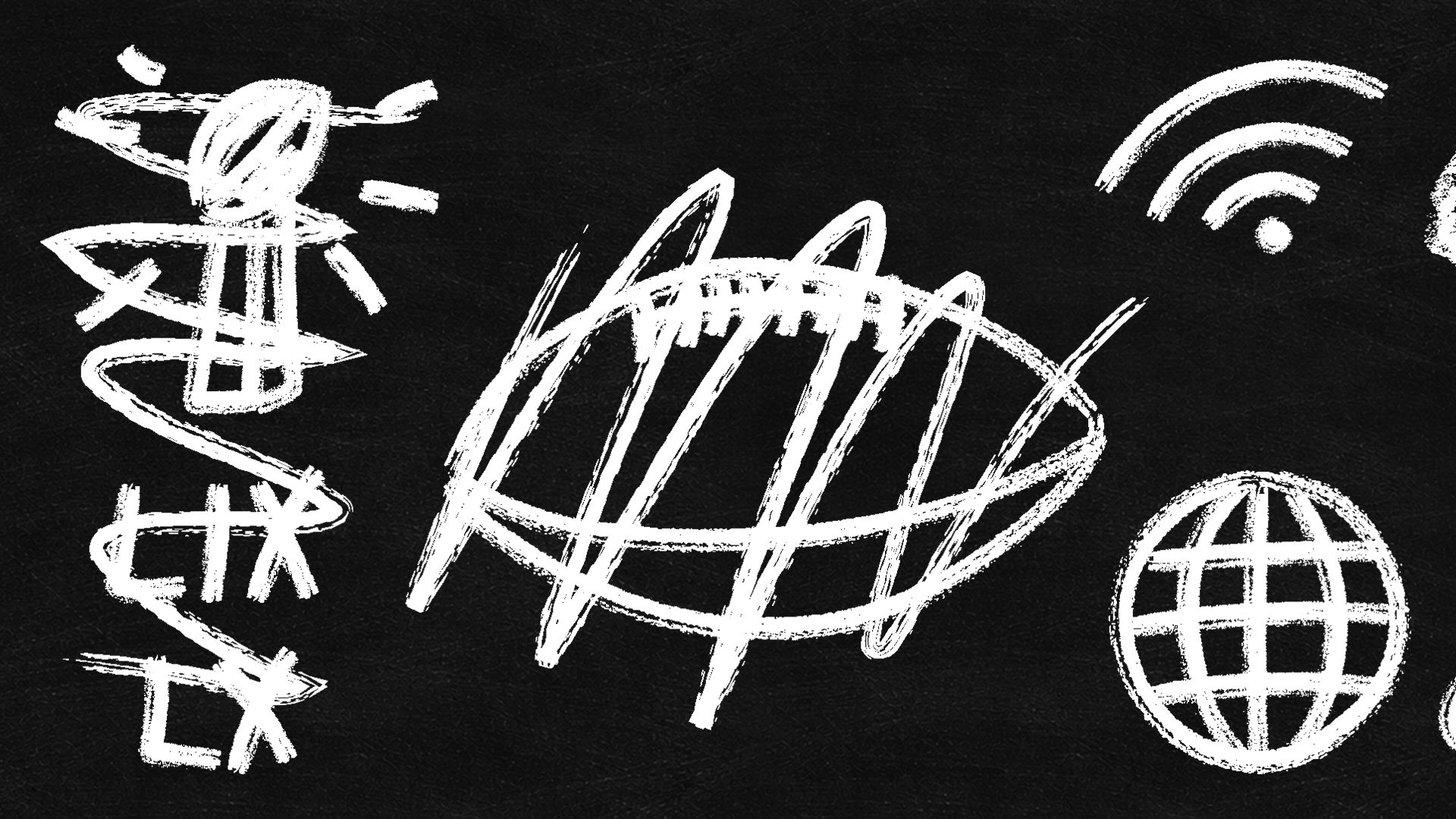

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