

# Federated Learning for Data Streams

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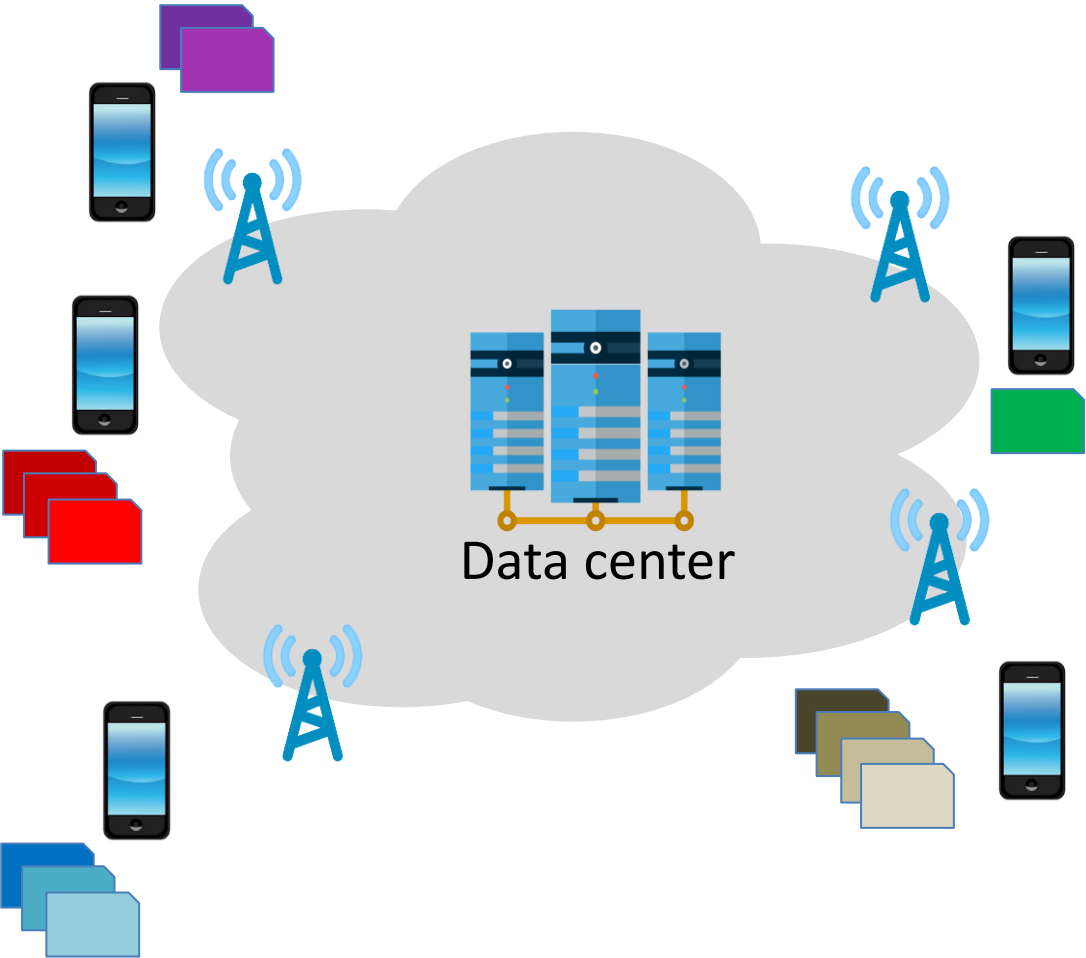
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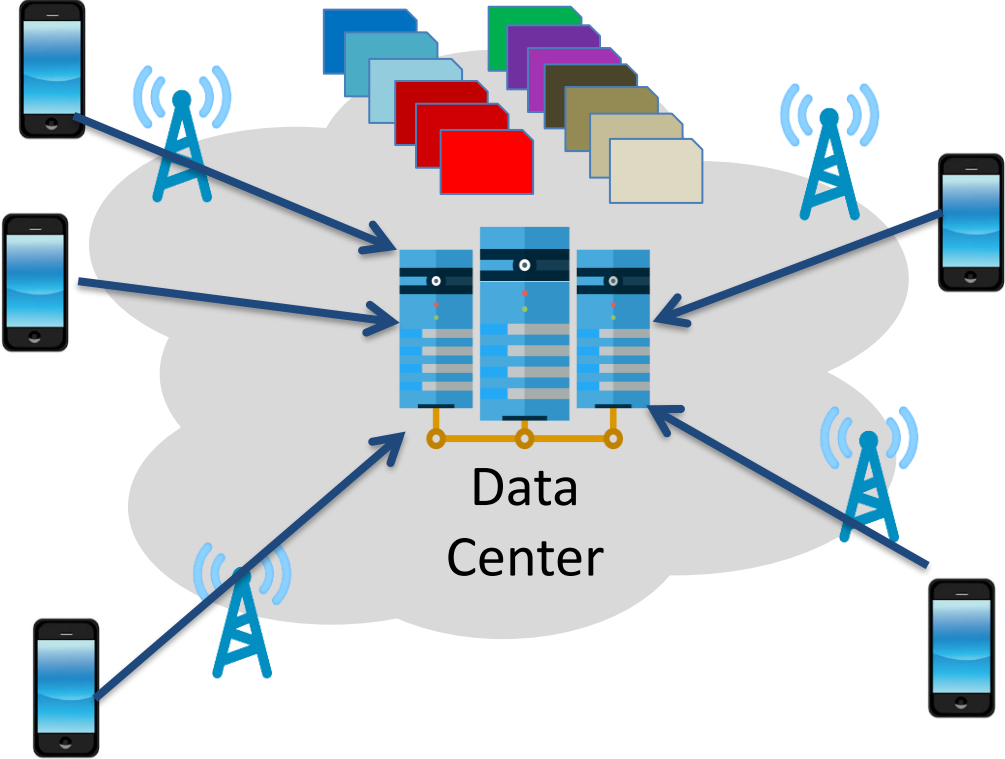


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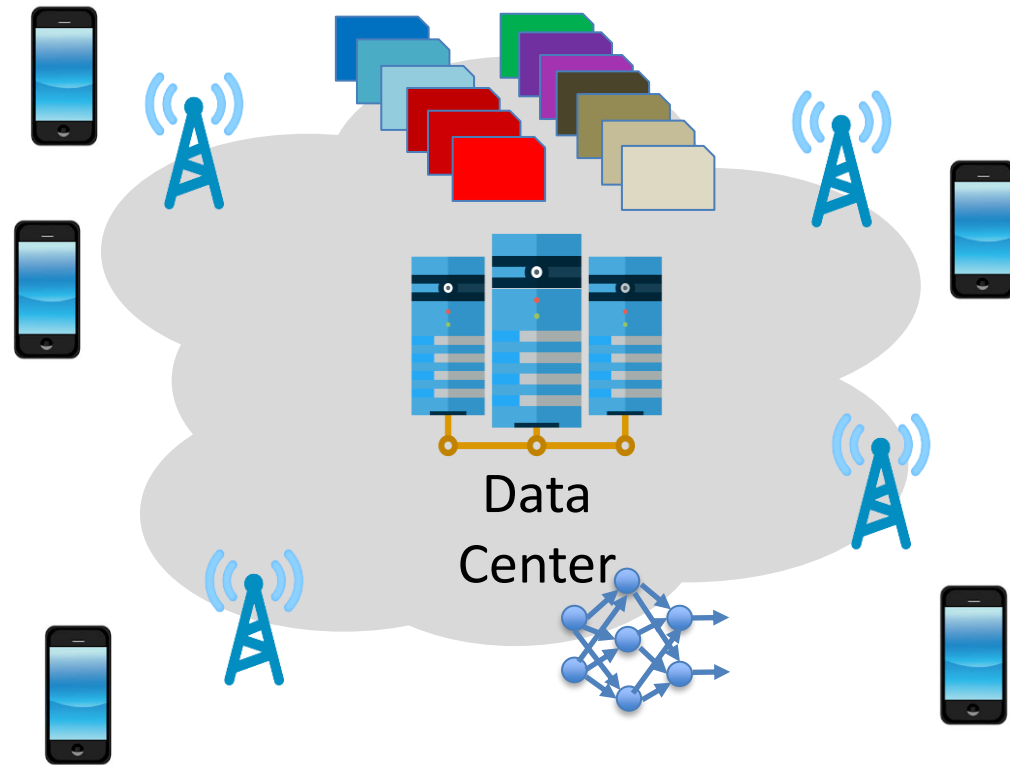
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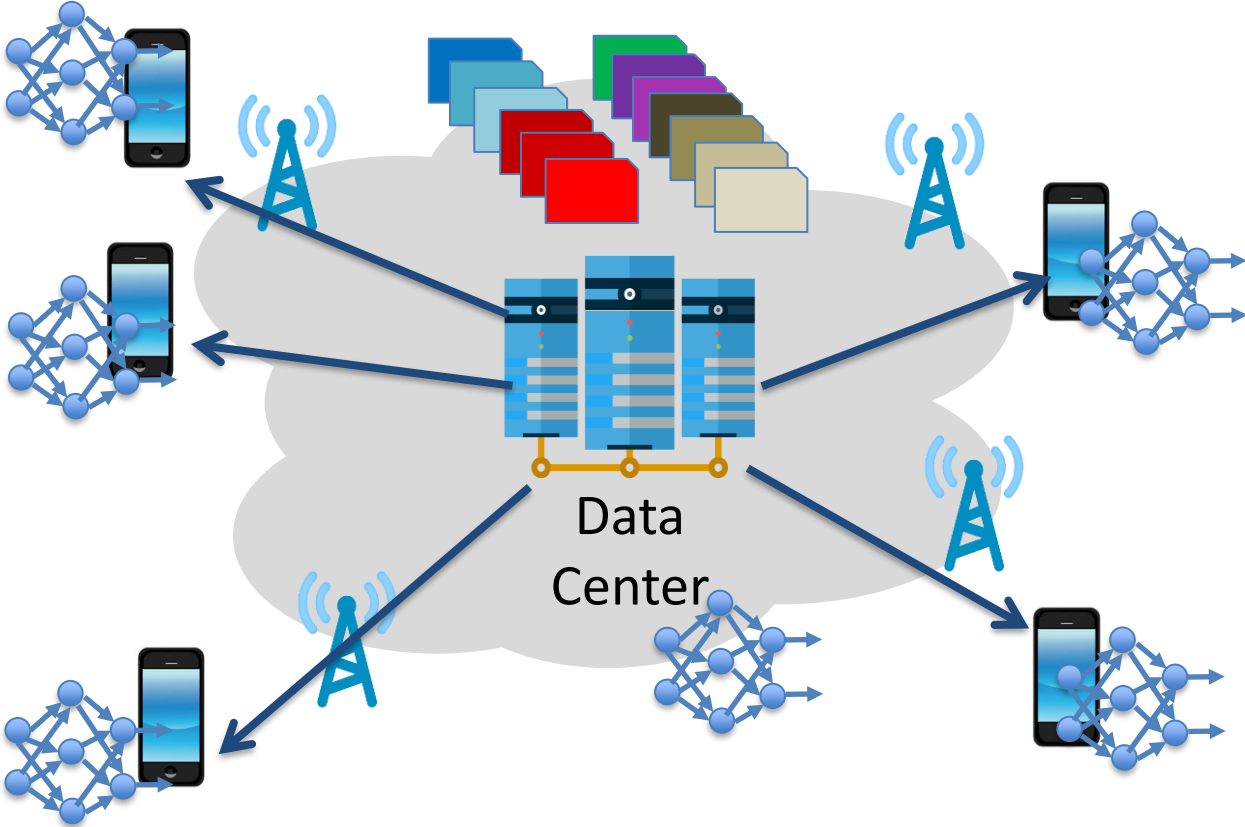
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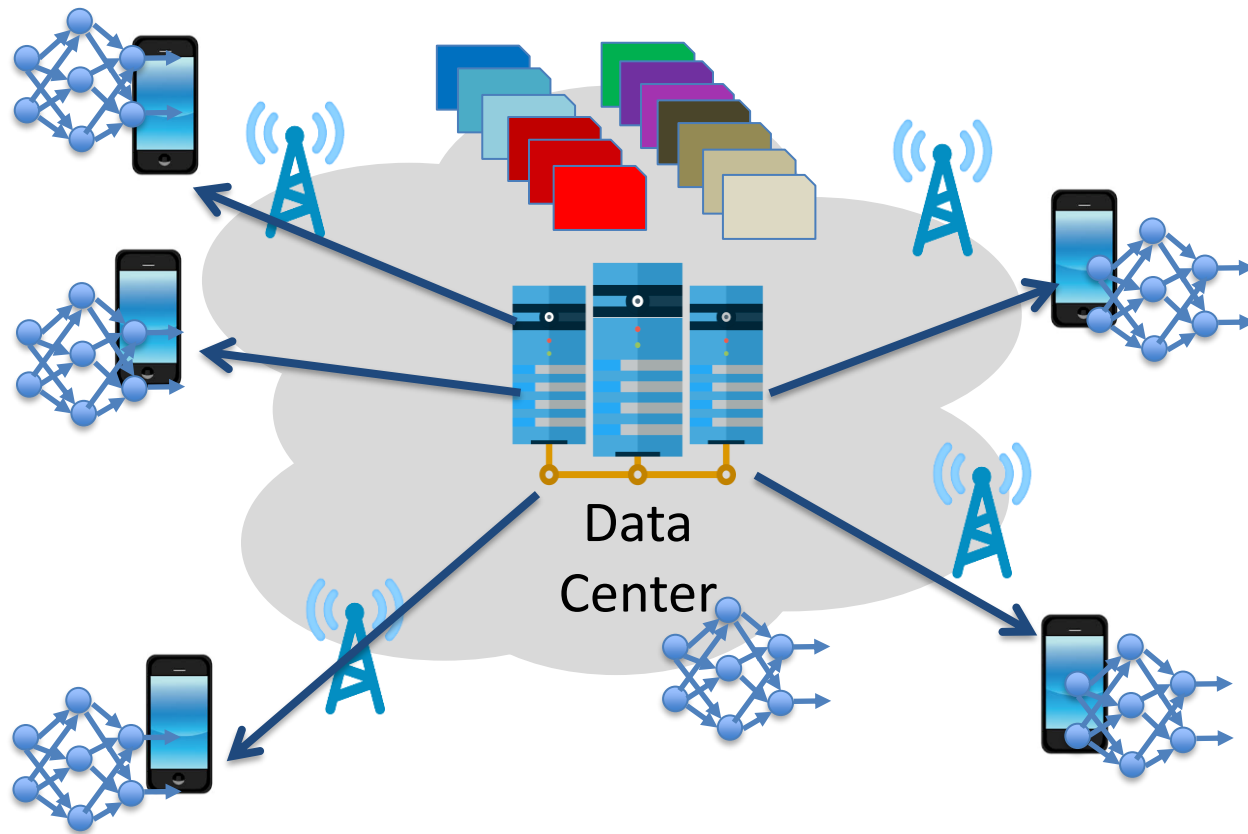
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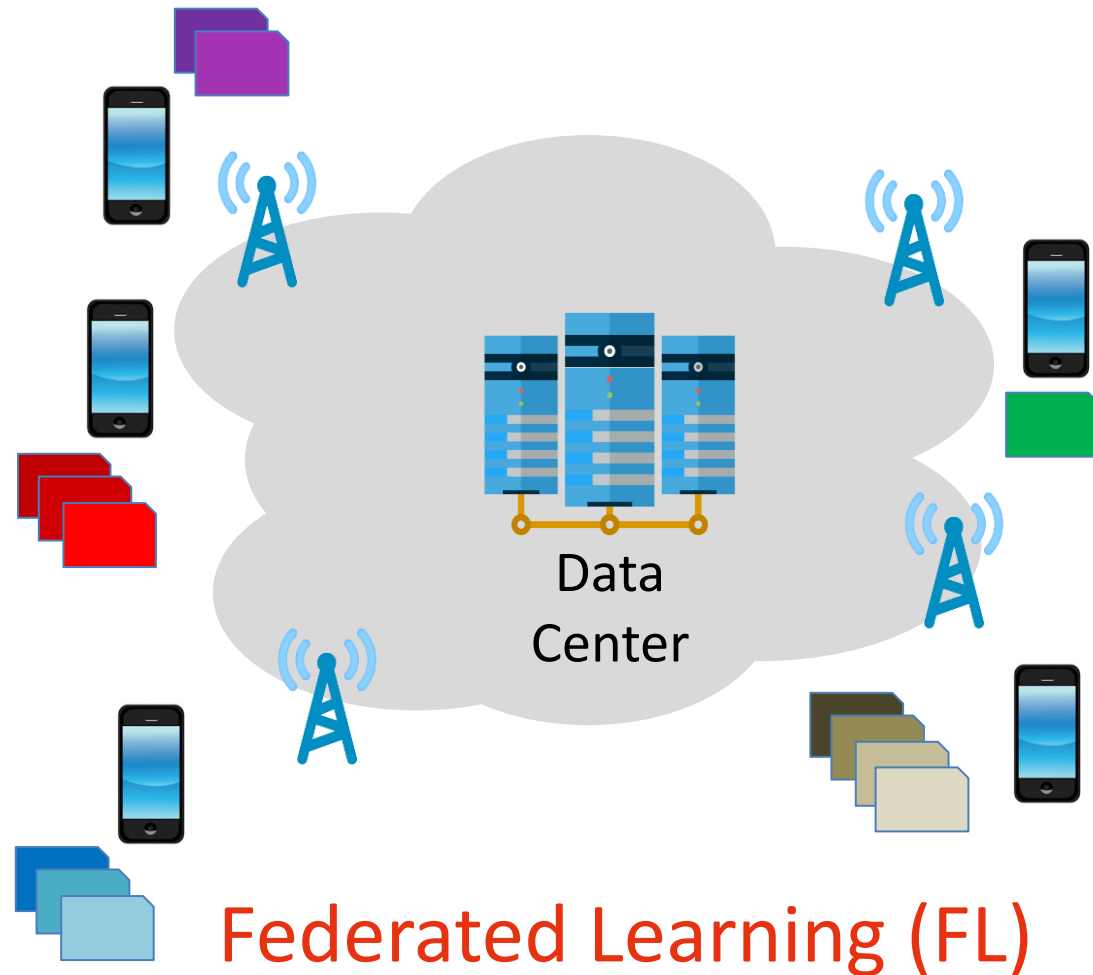
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1. communication cost
2. privacy concerns

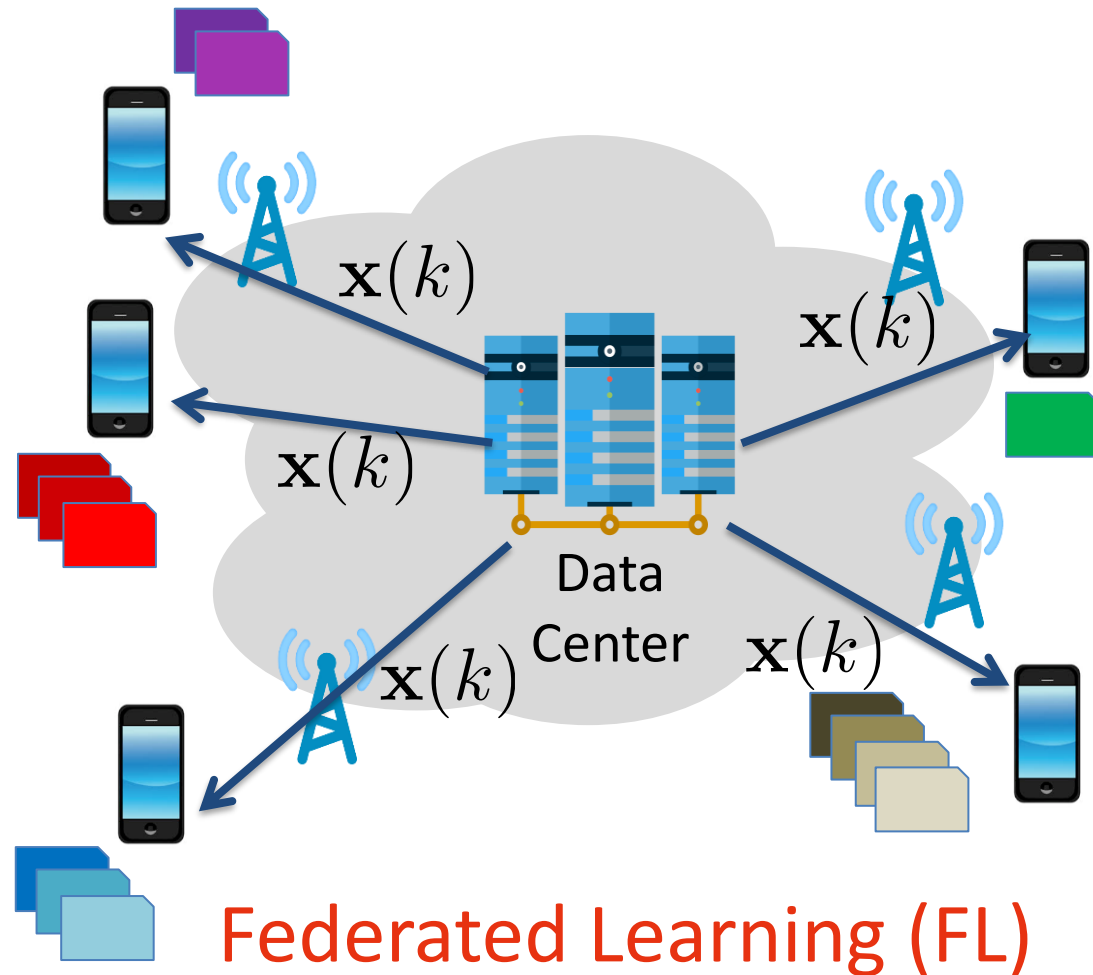
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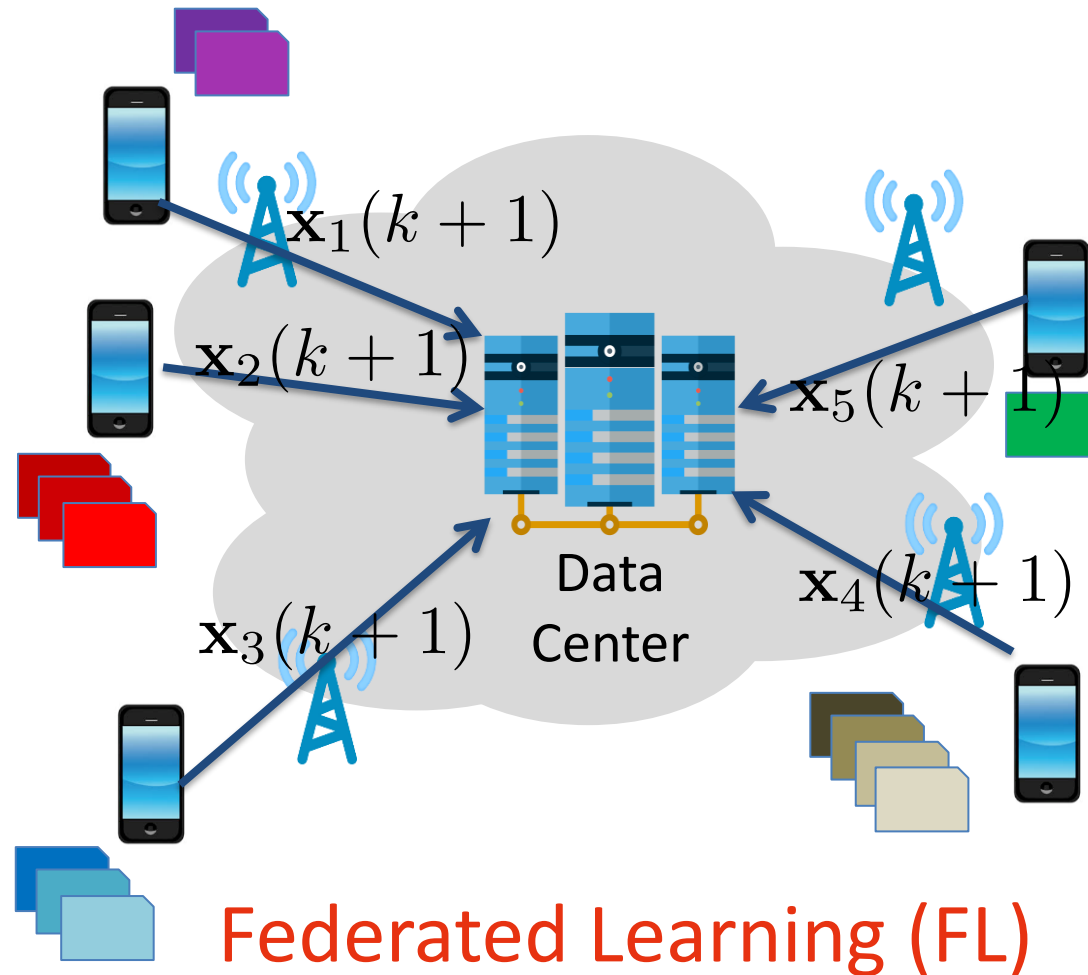


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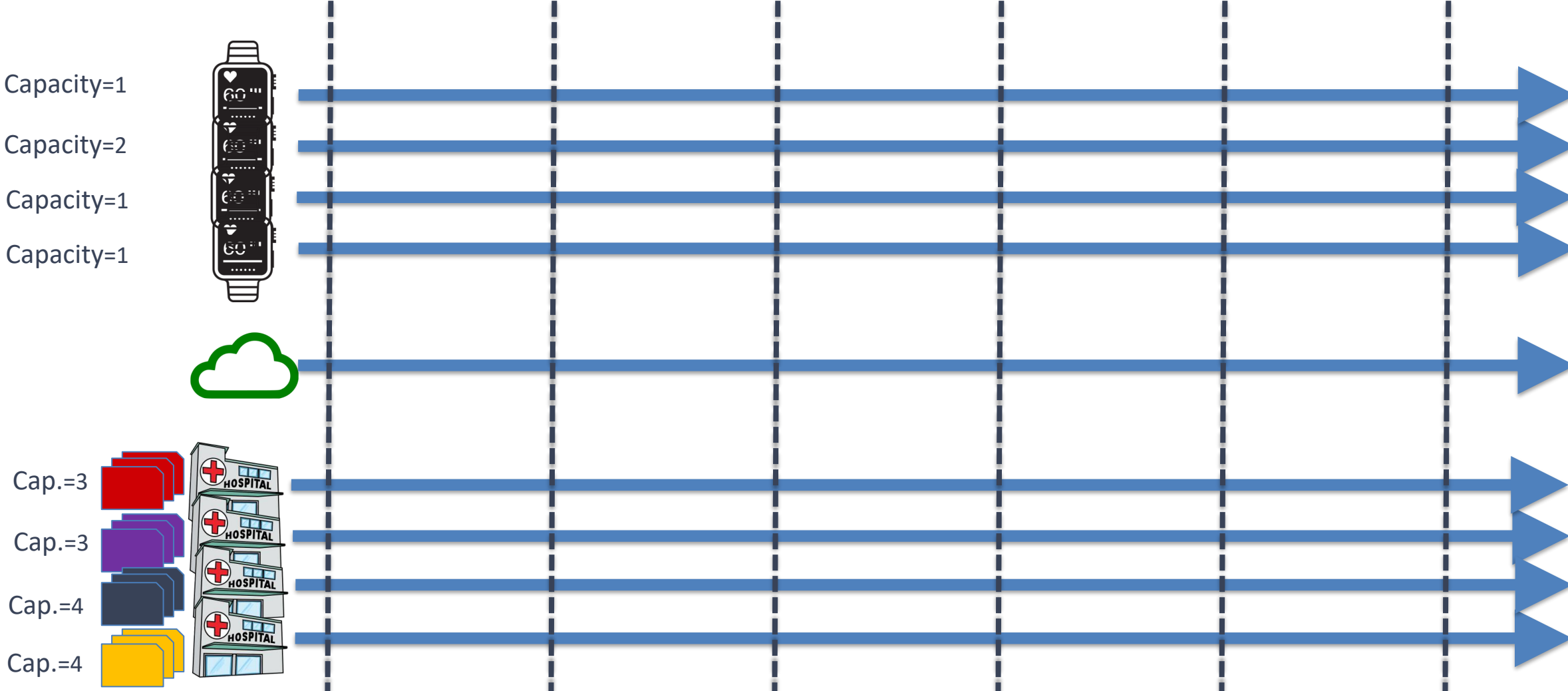
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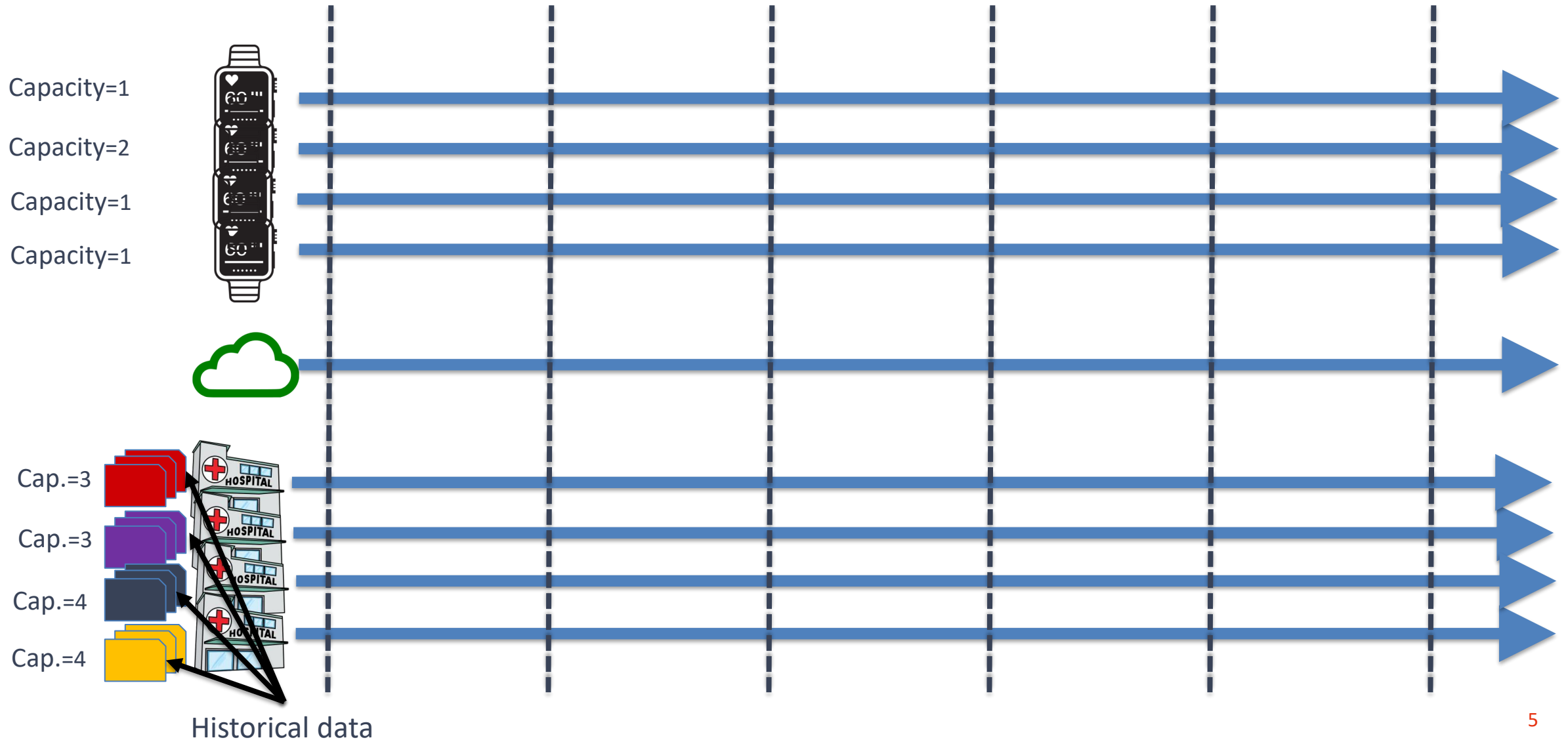
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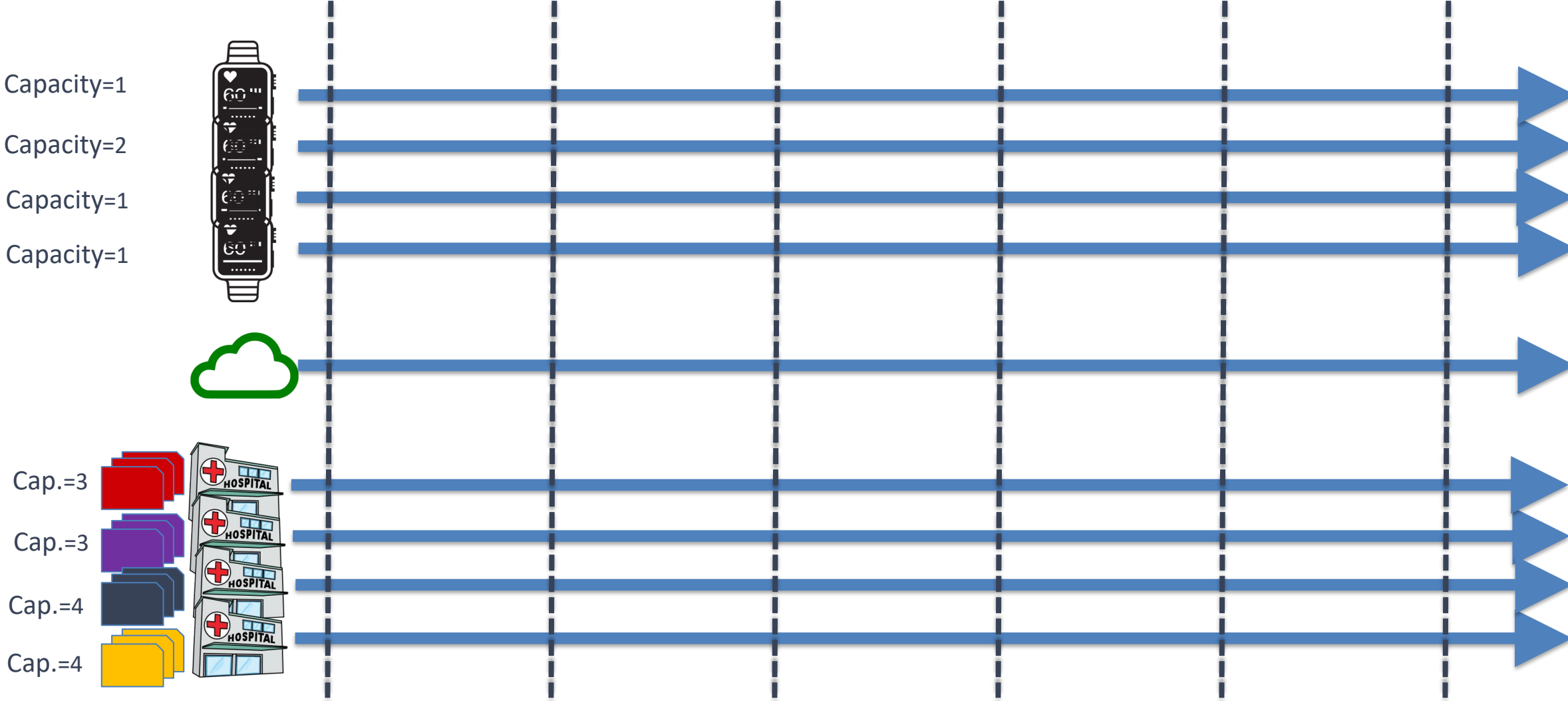
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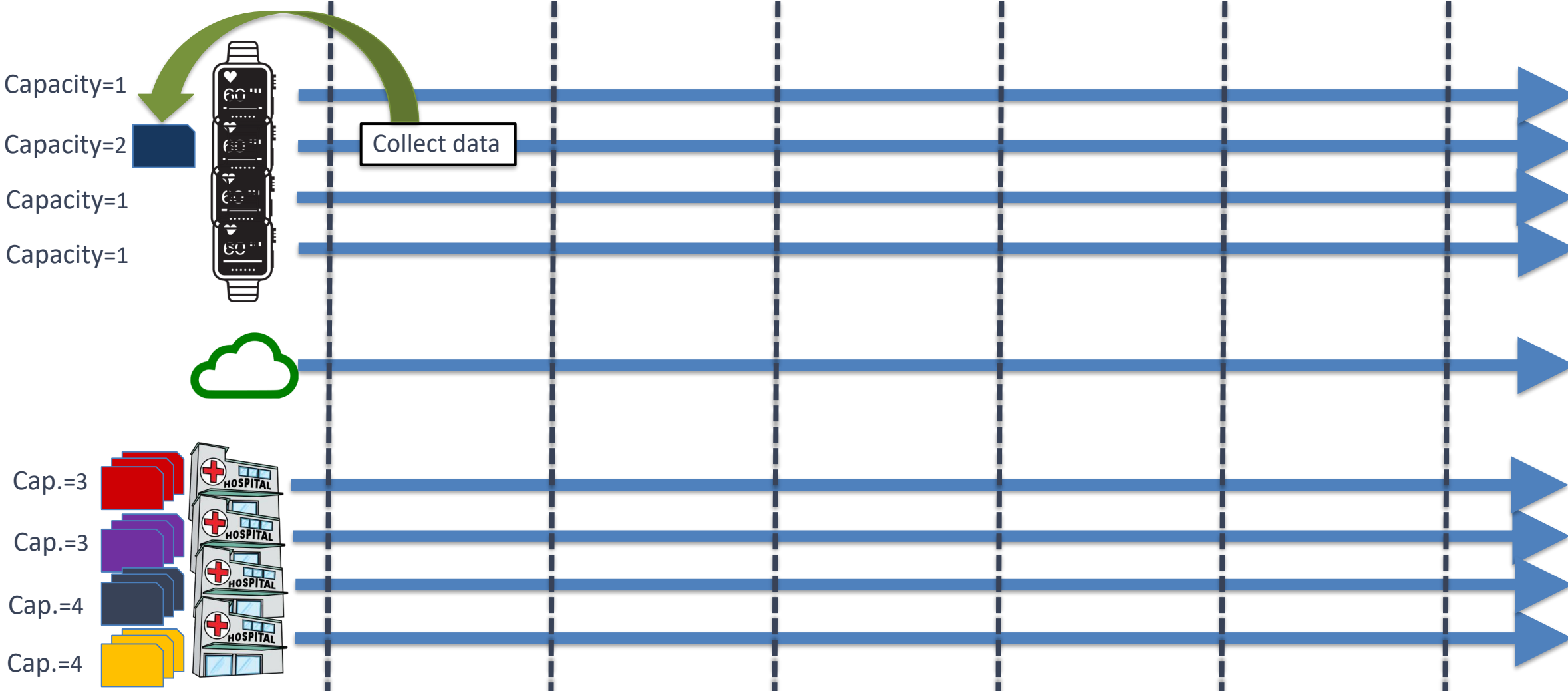
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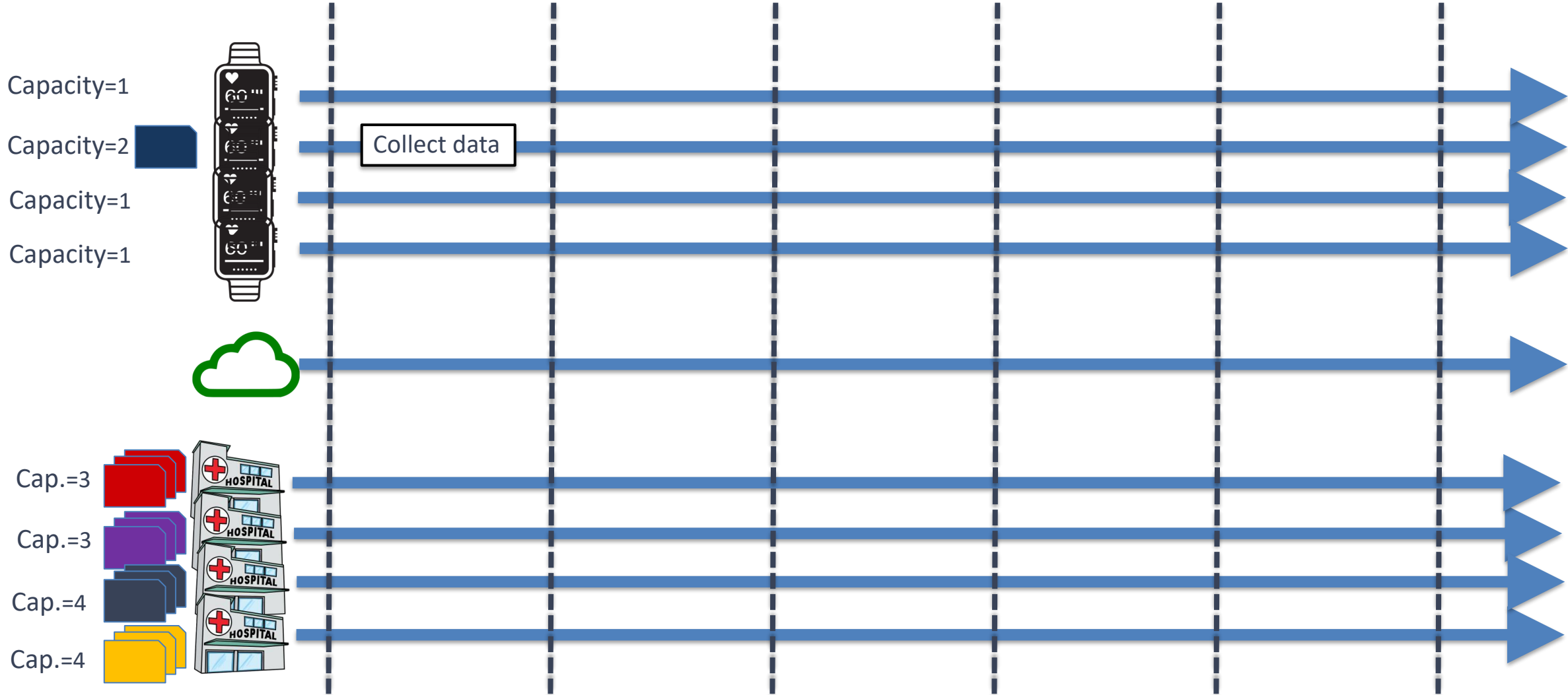
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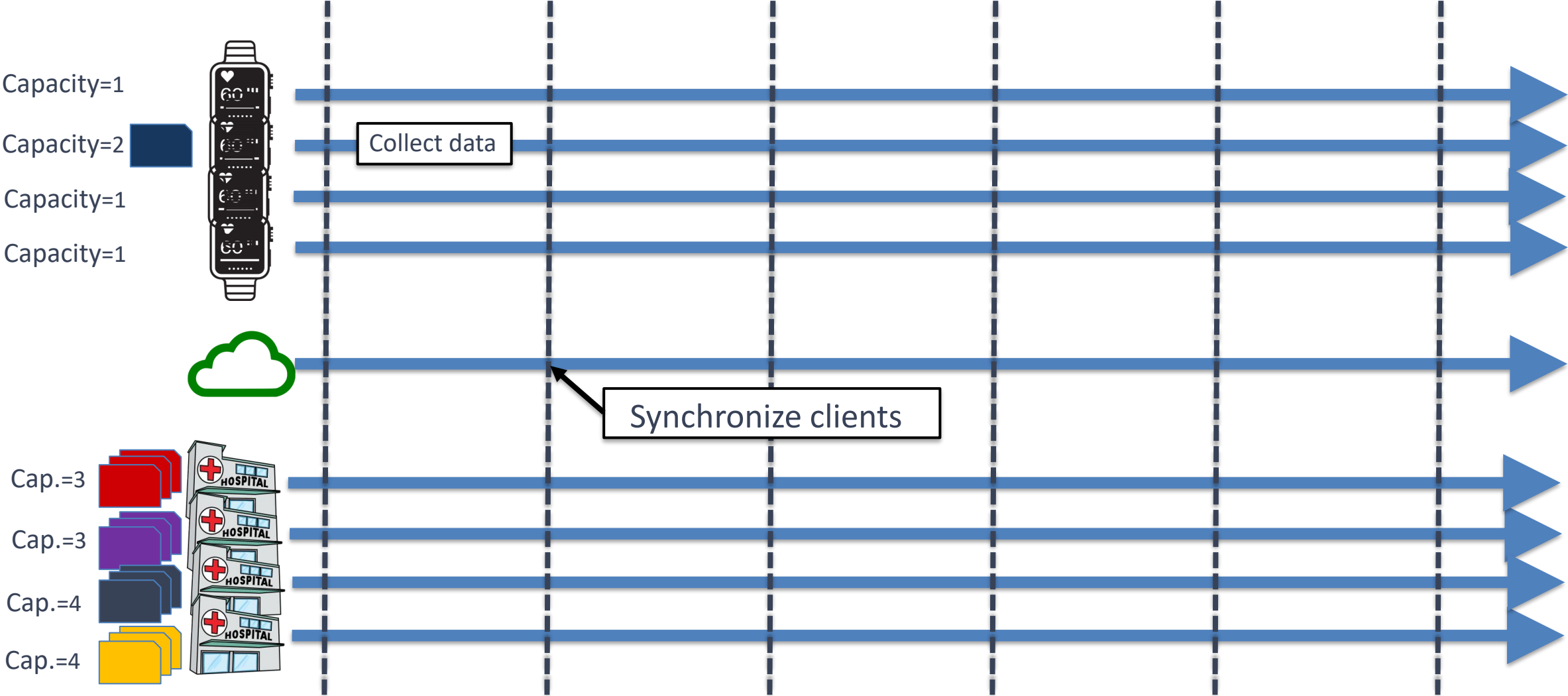
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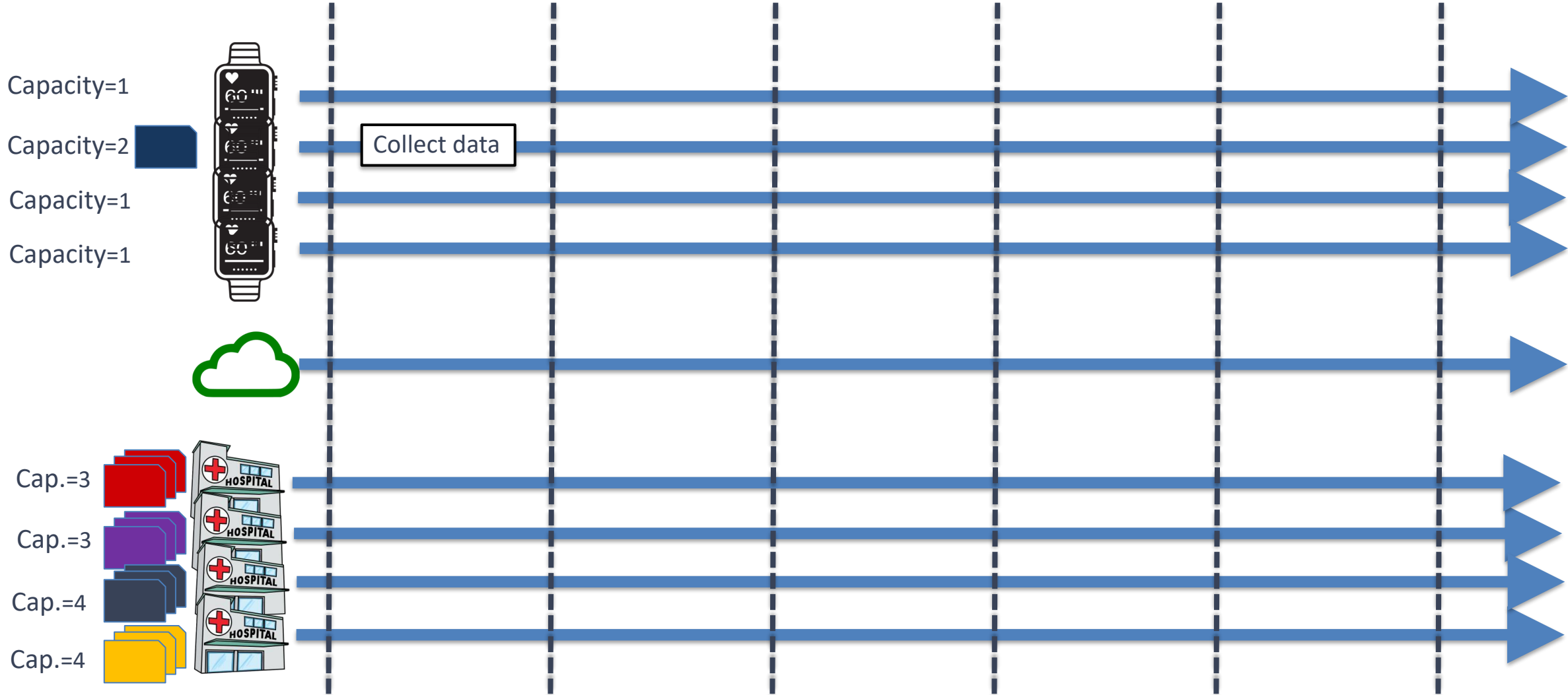
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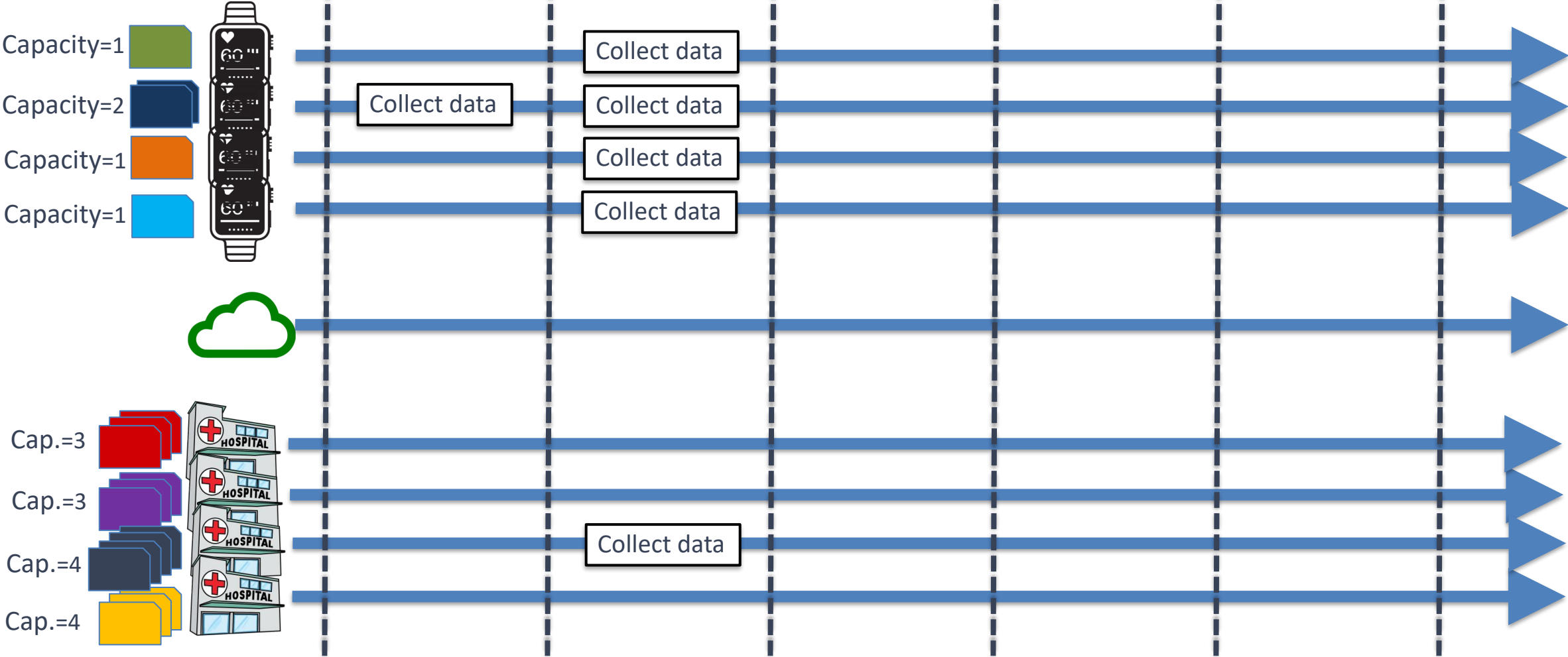




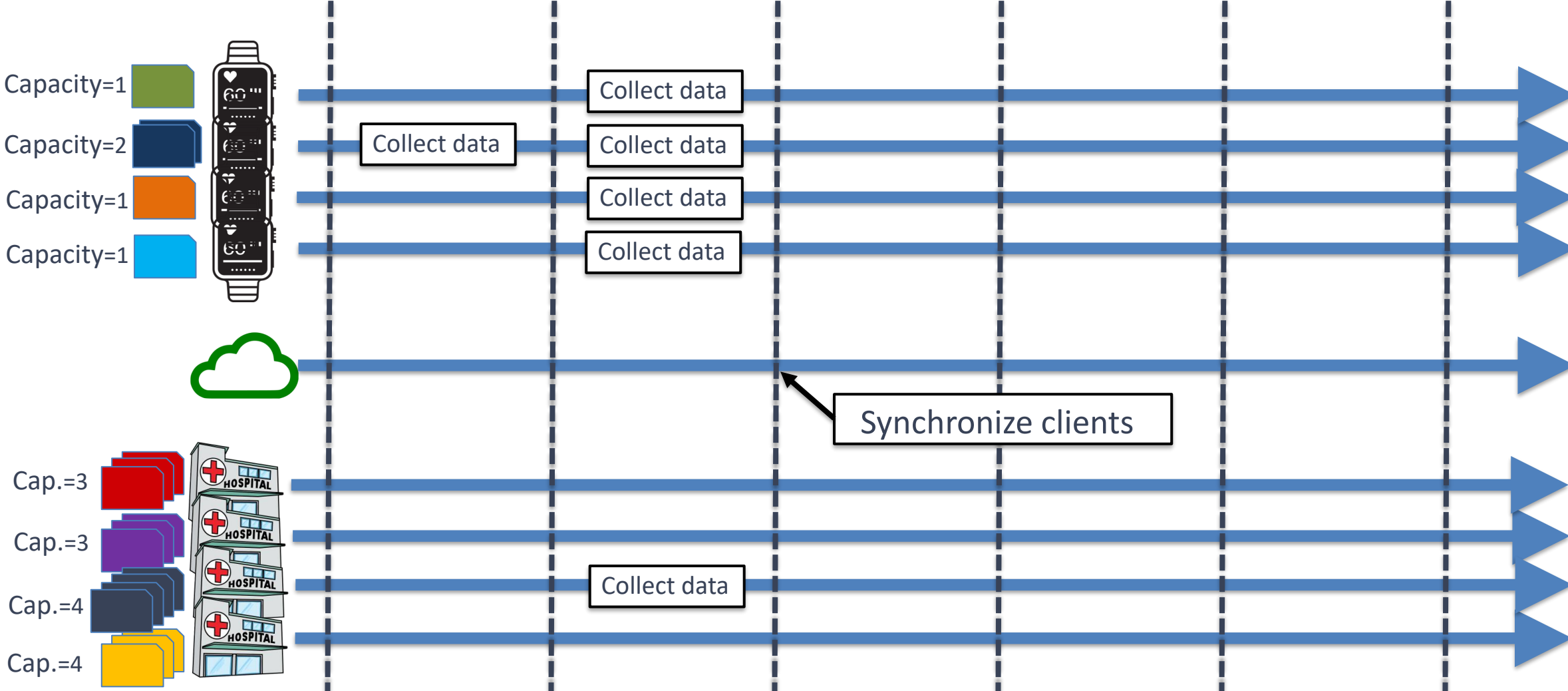
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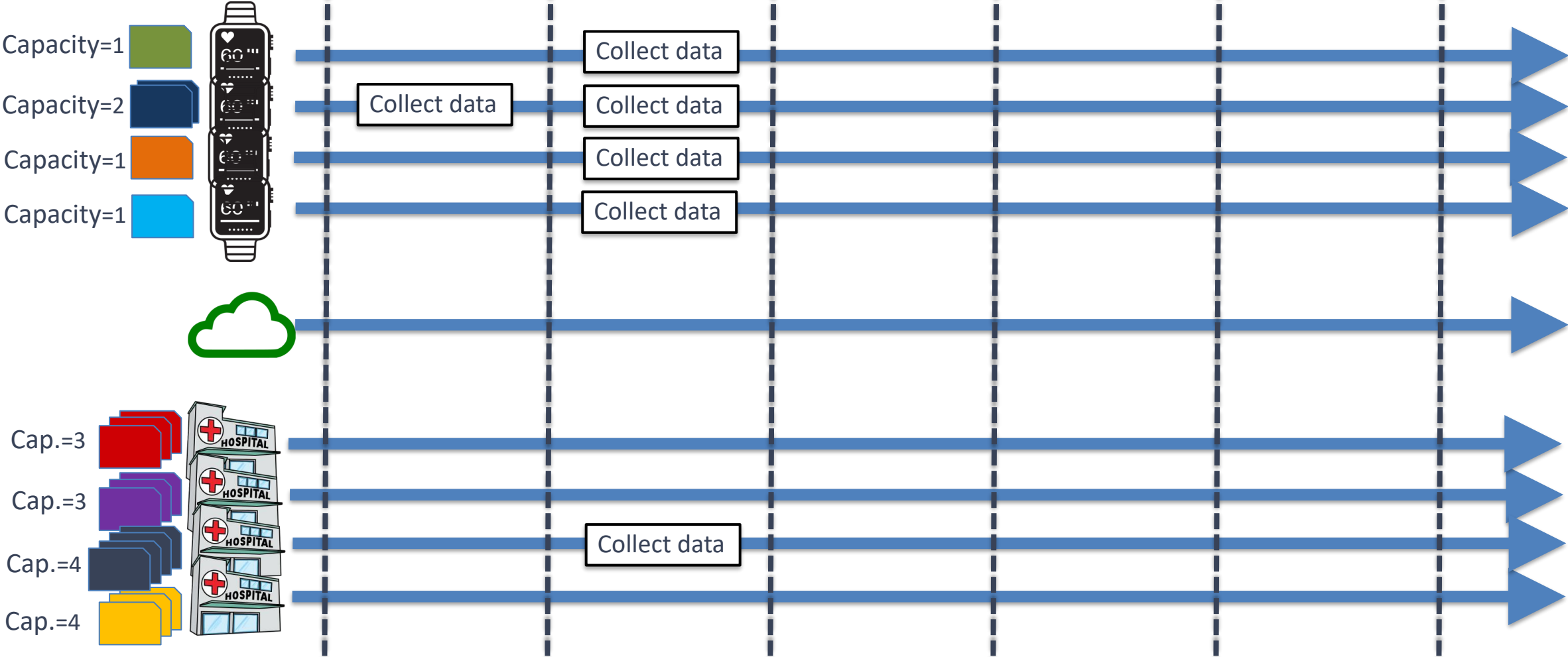
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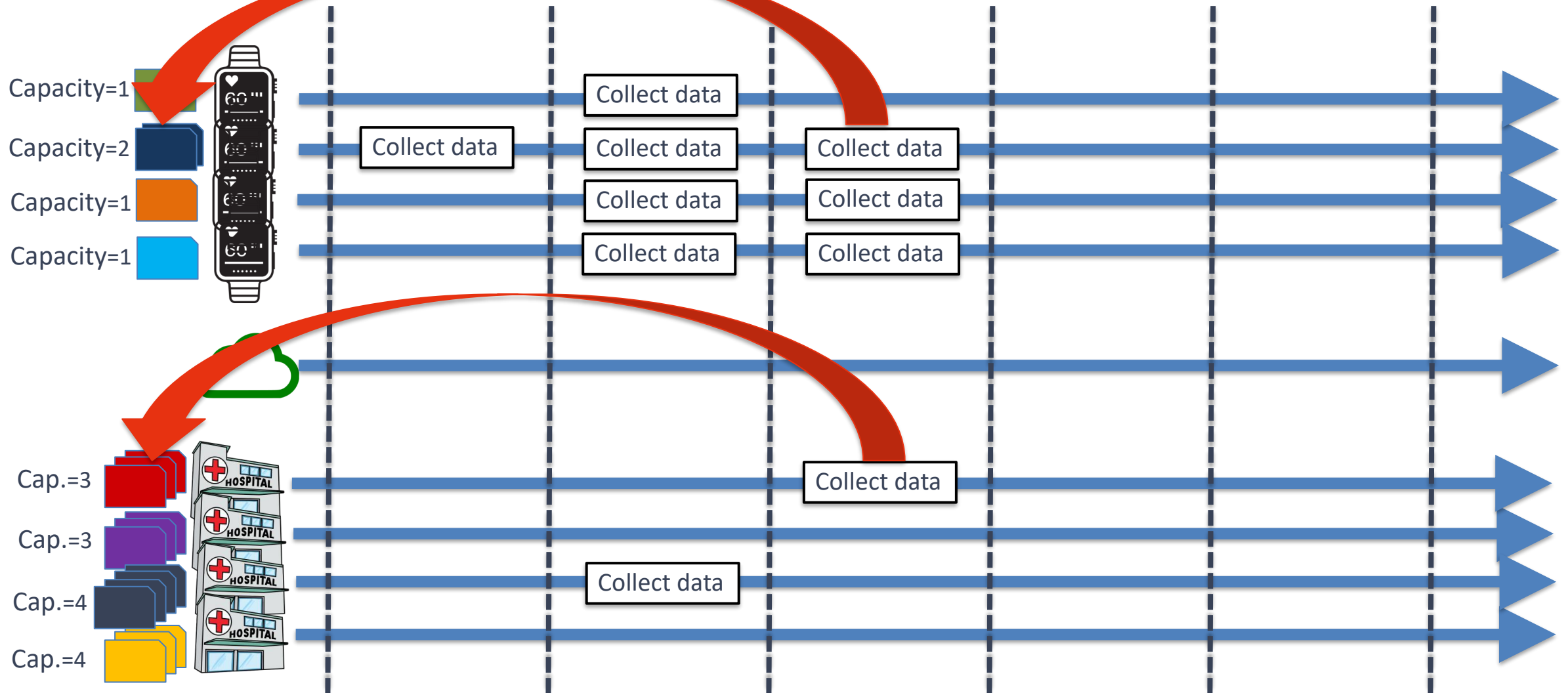
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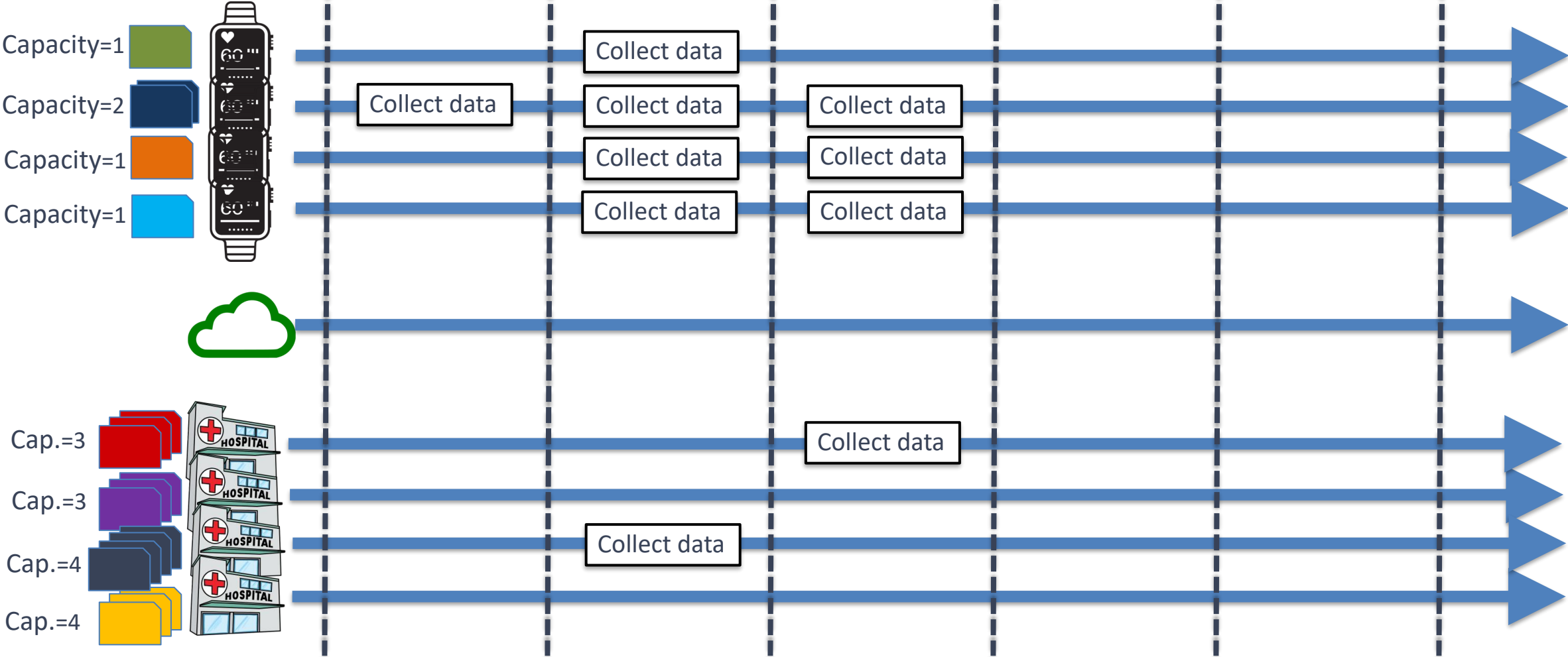
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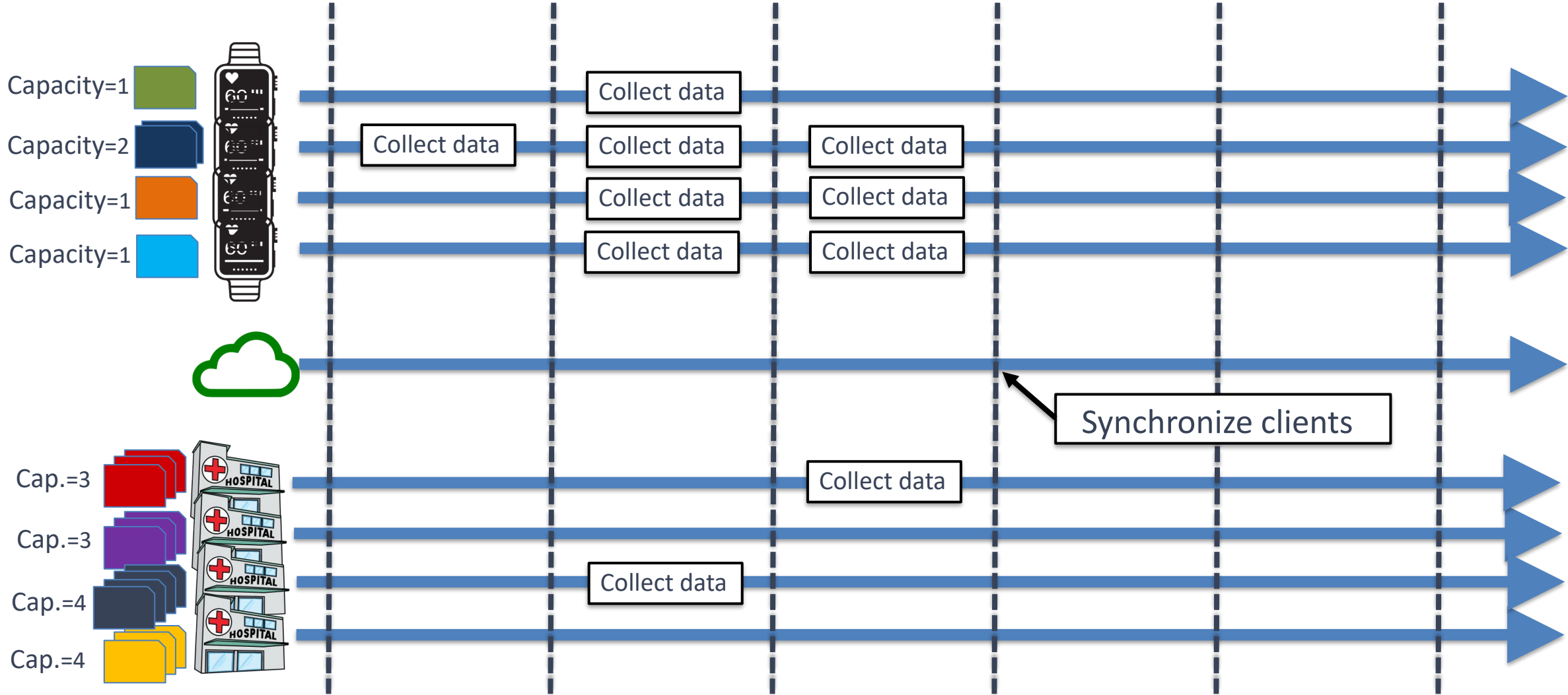
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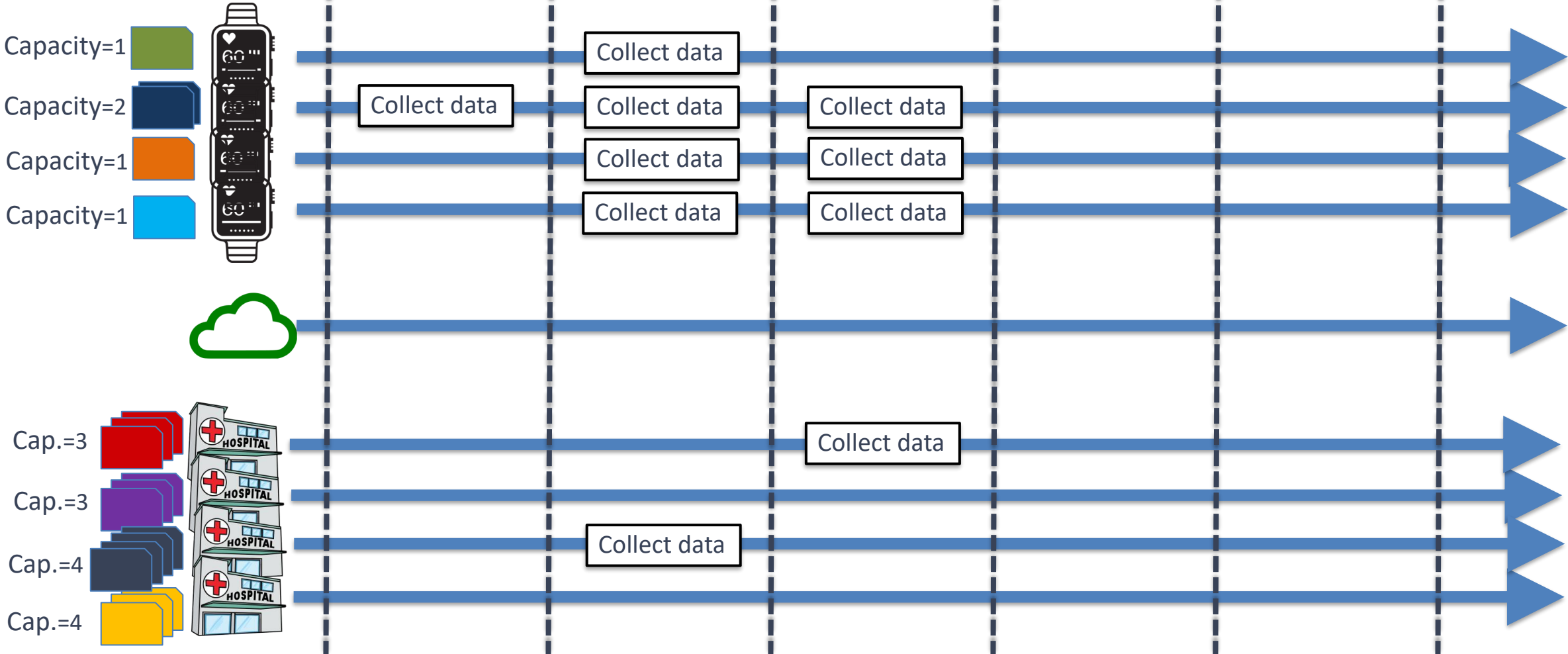
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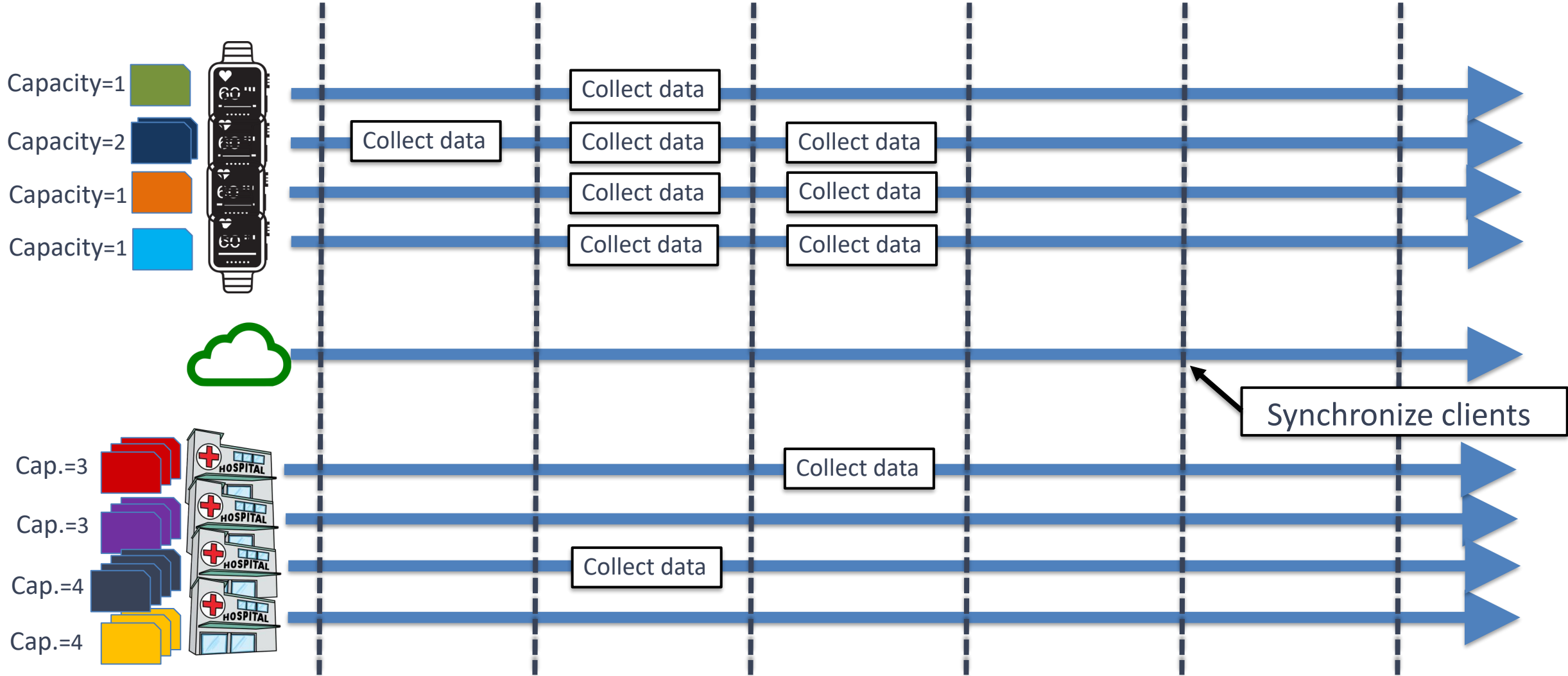


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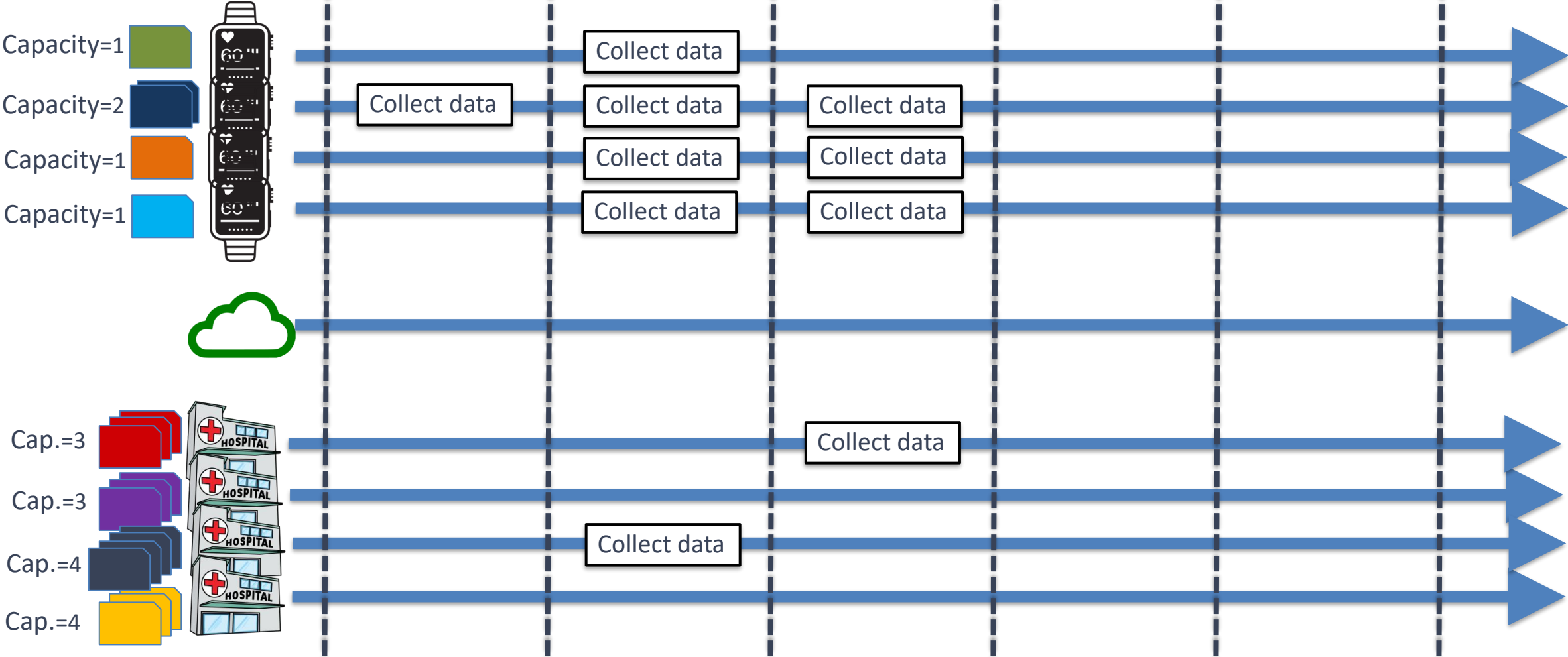




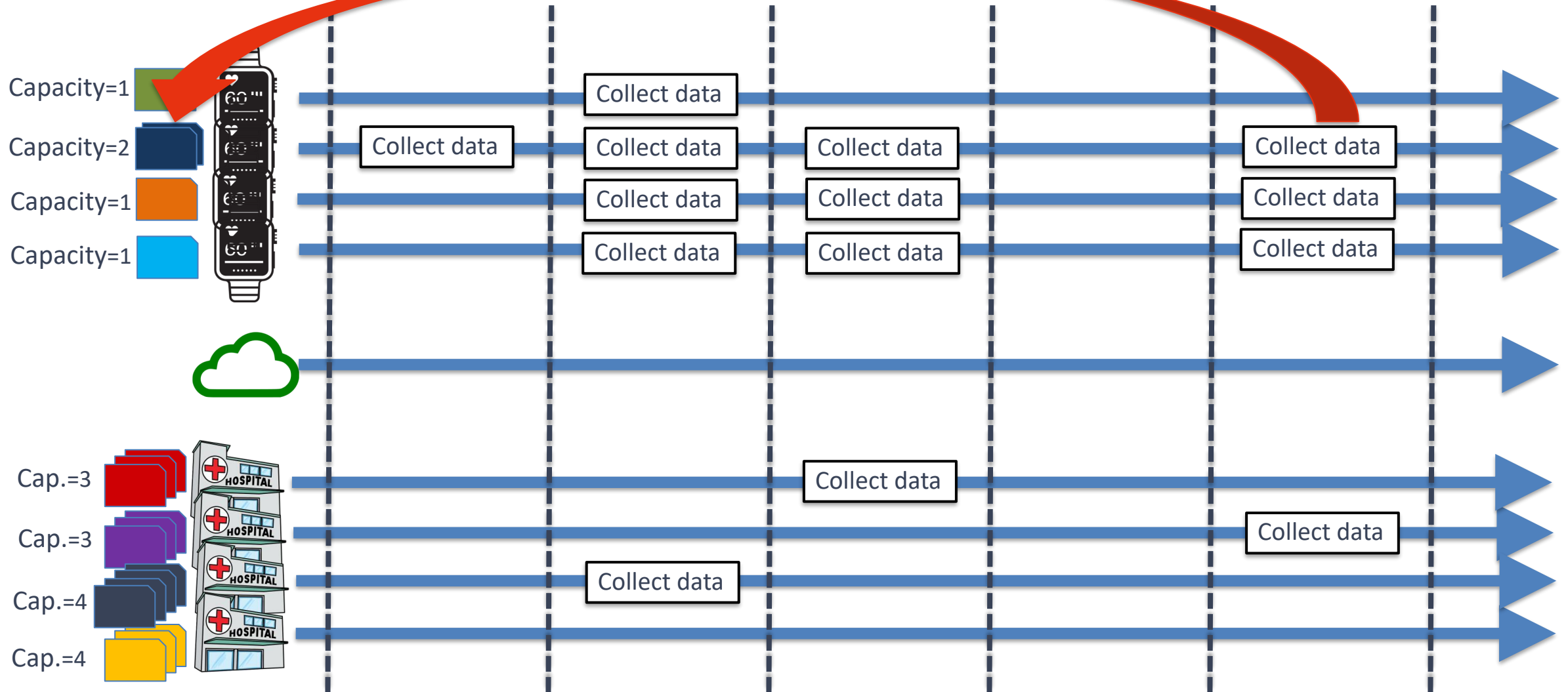
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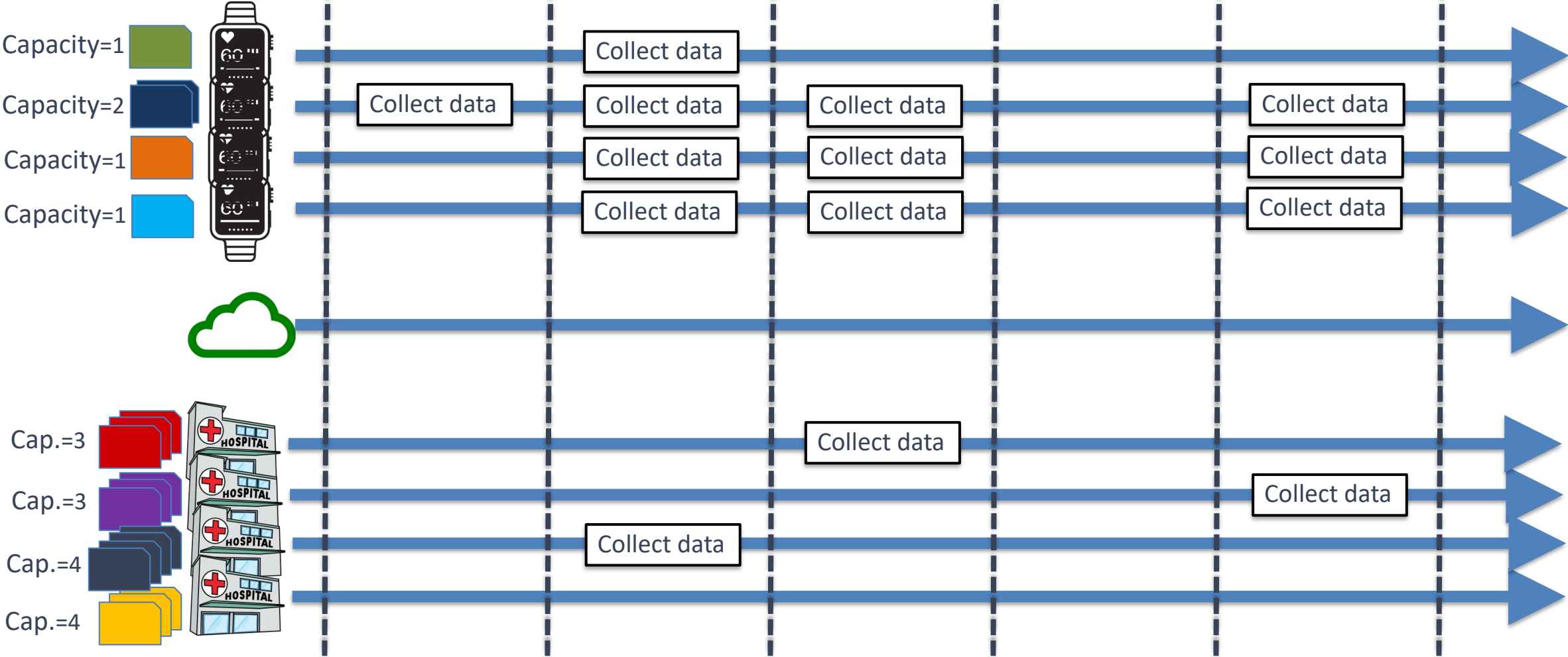
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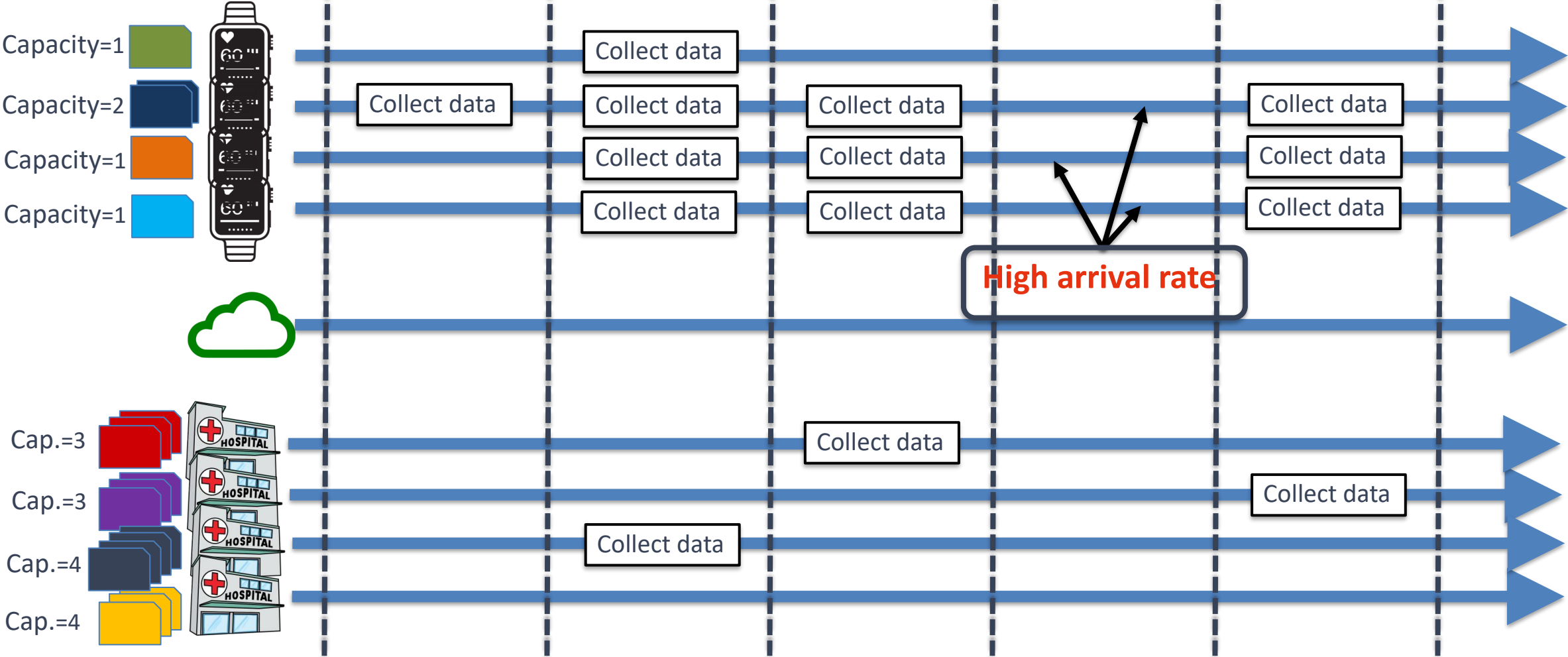
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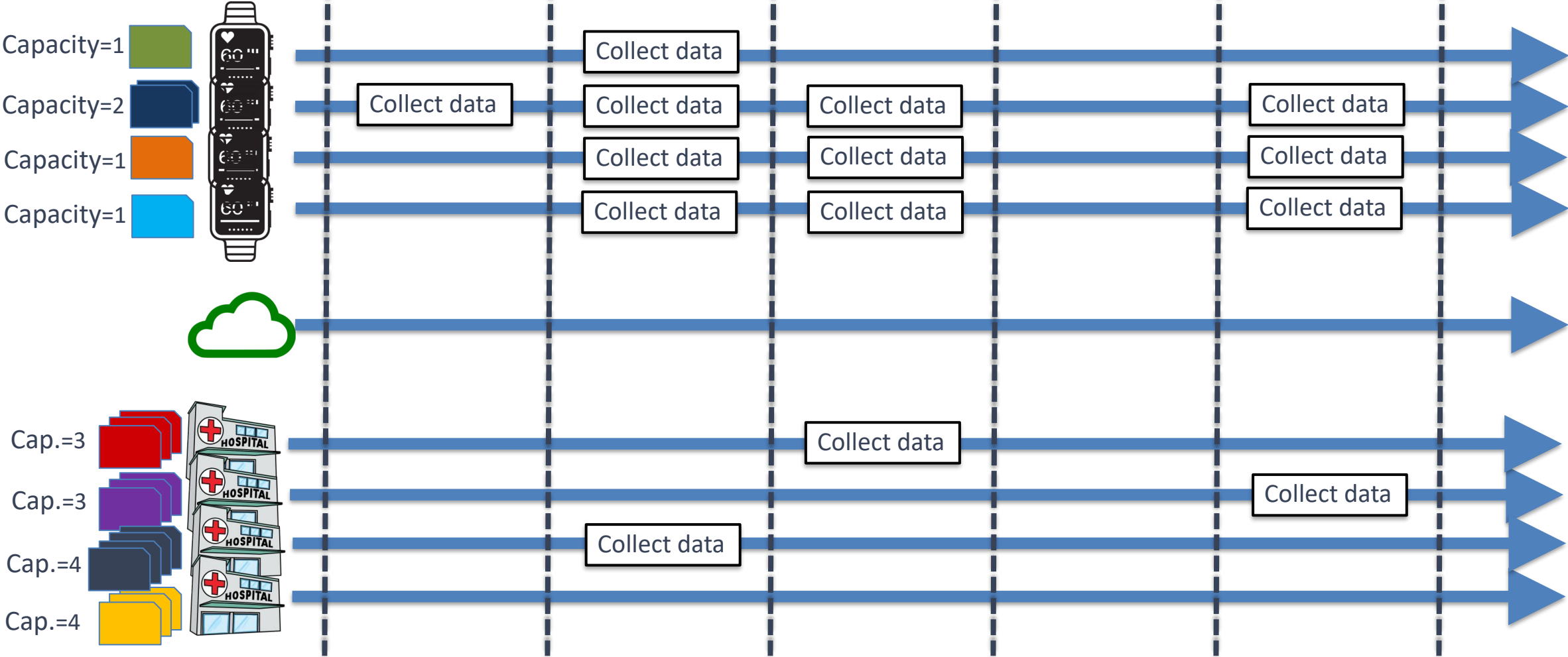
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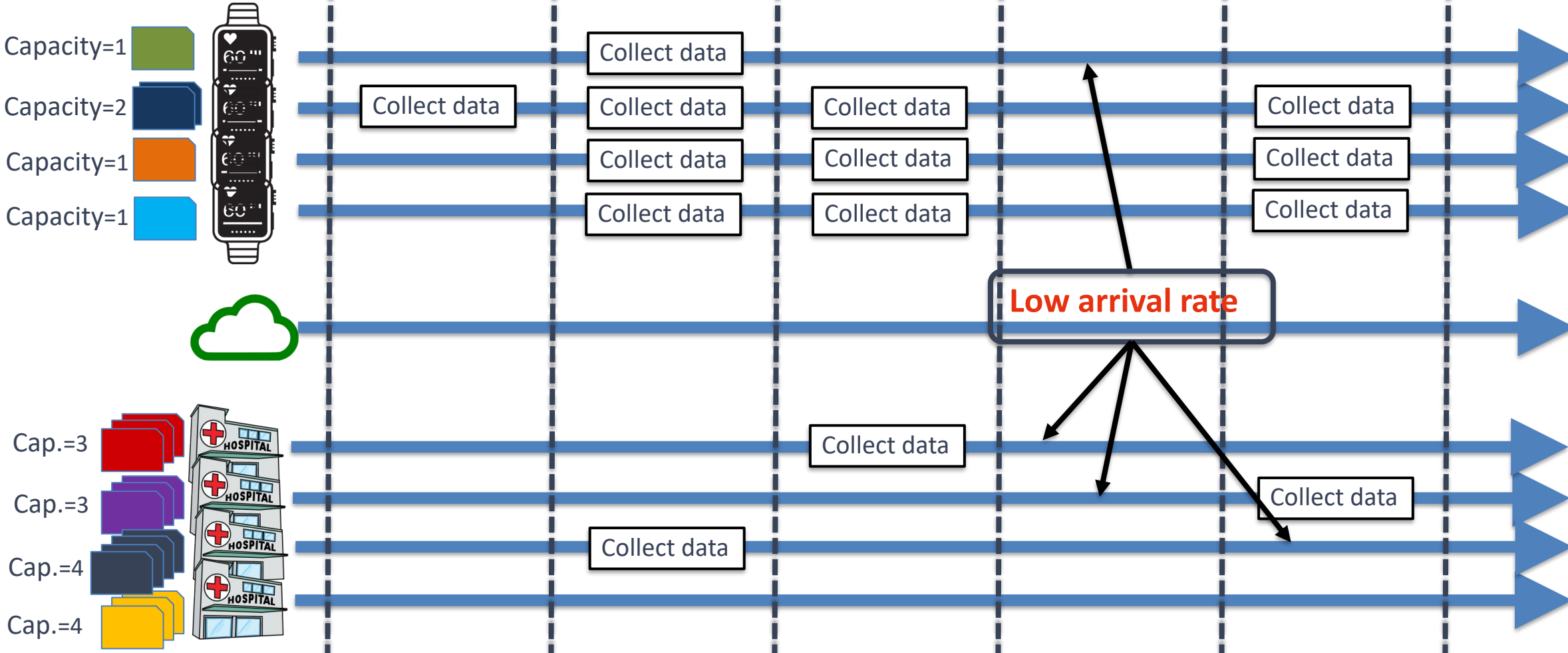
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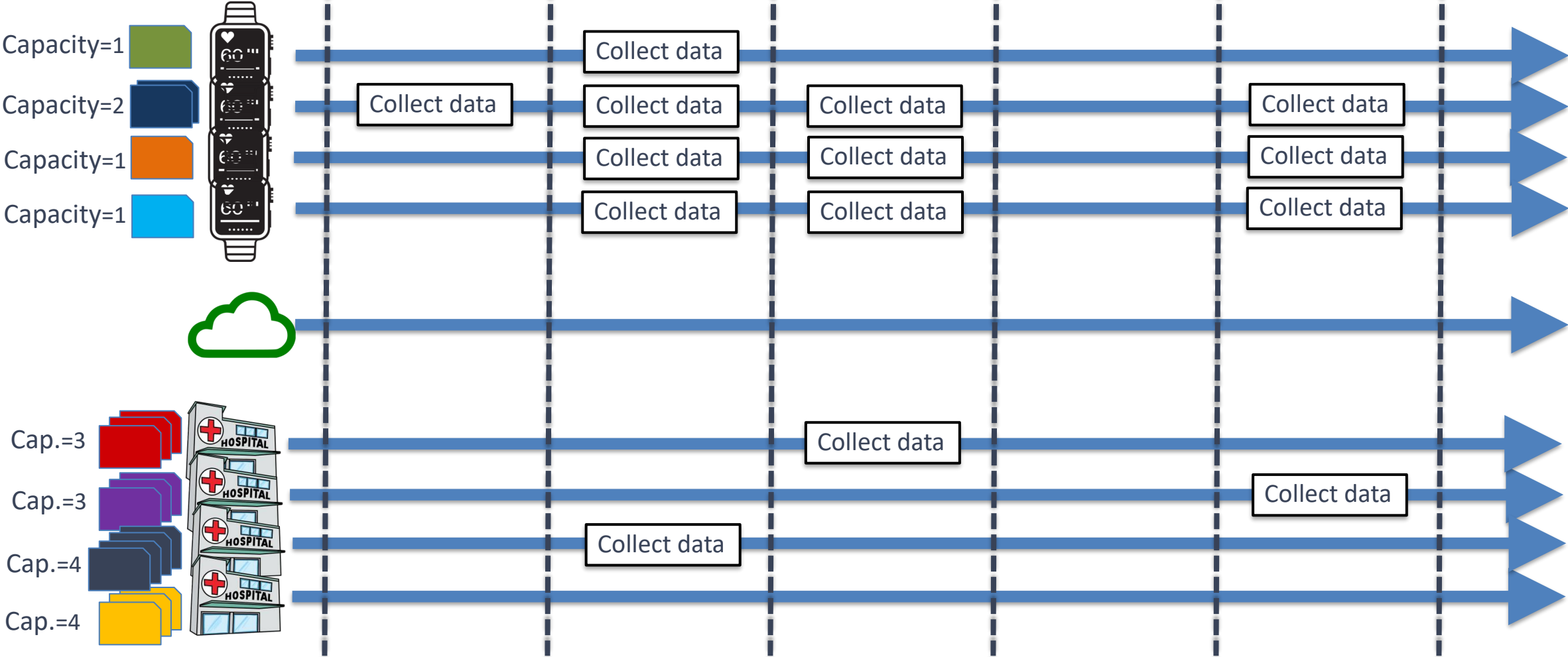
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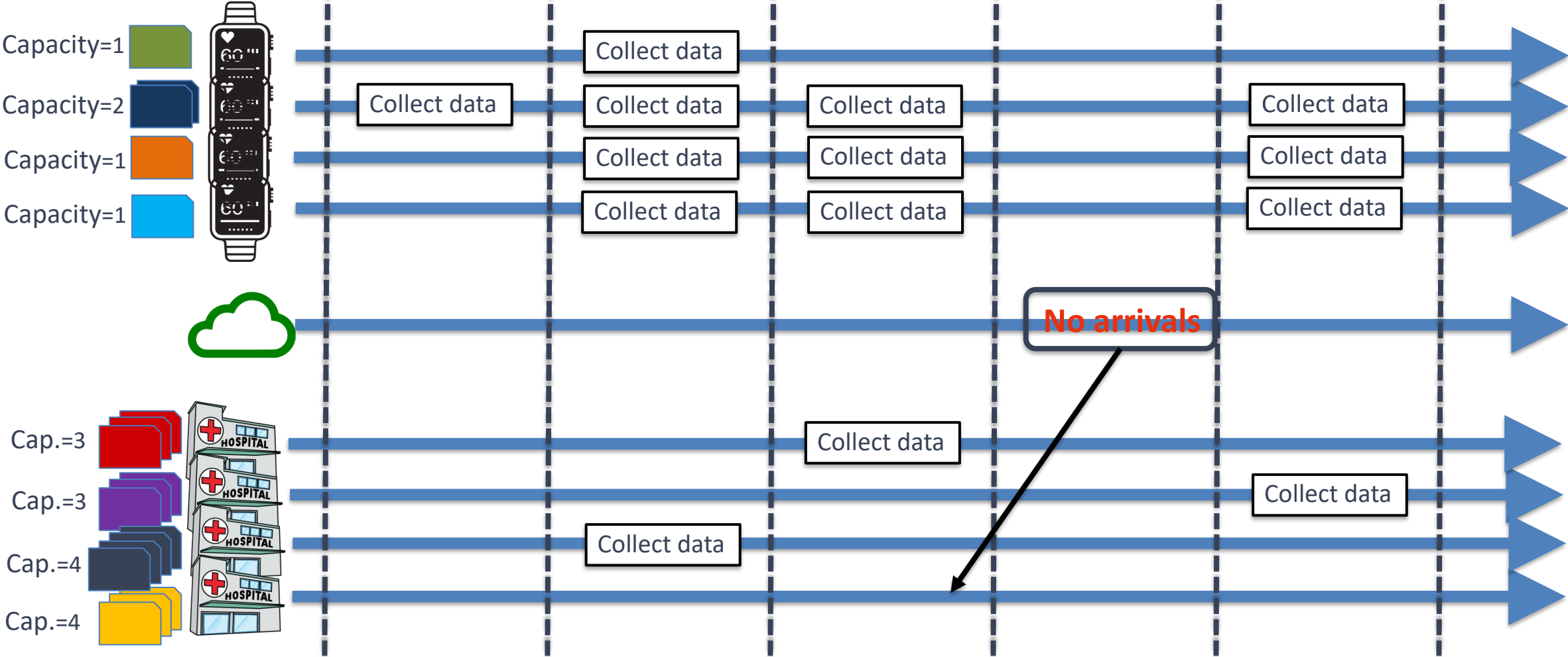


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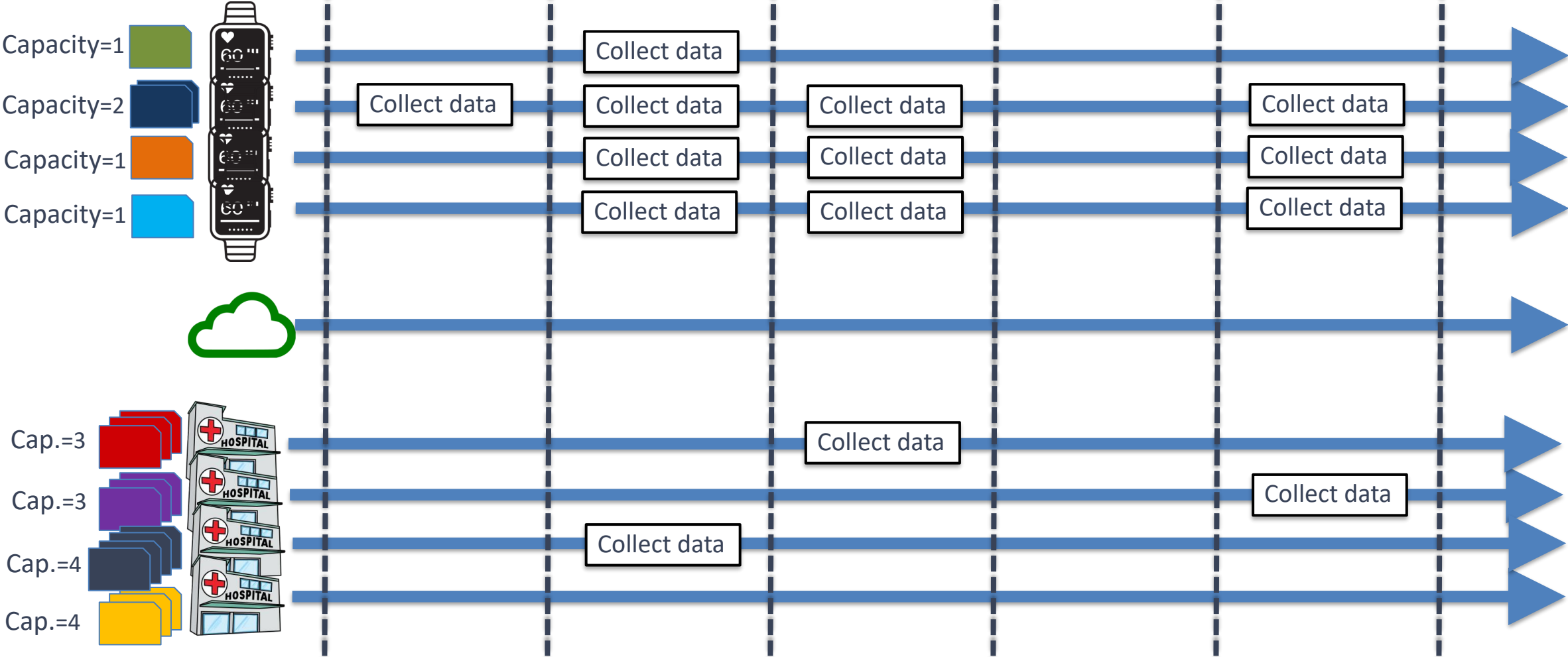




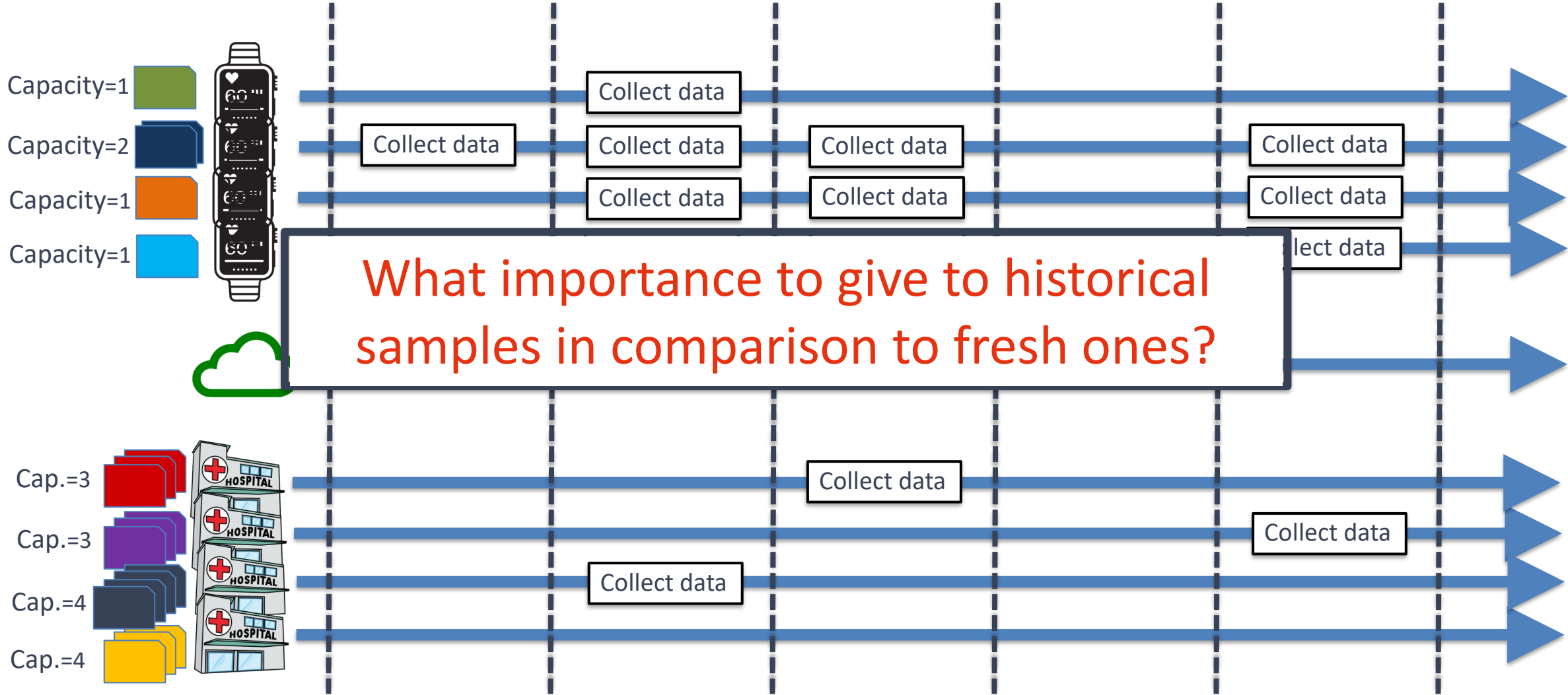
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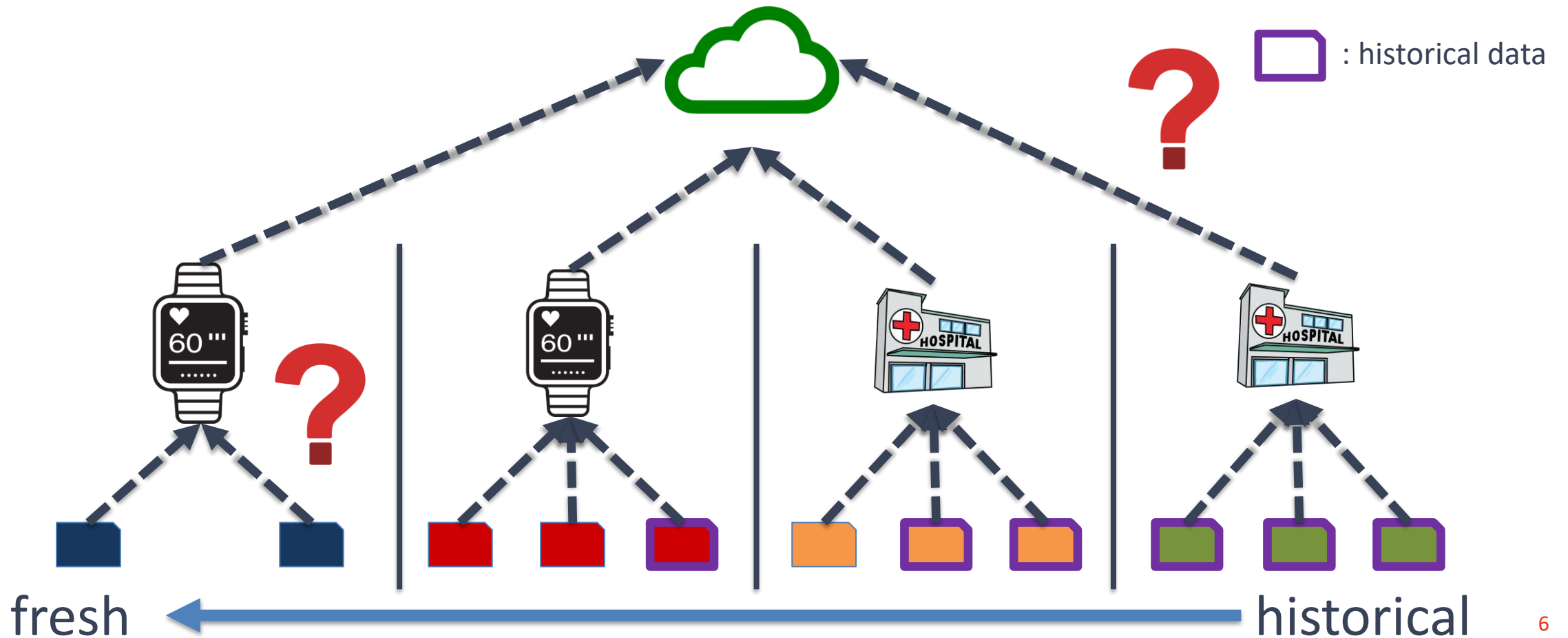


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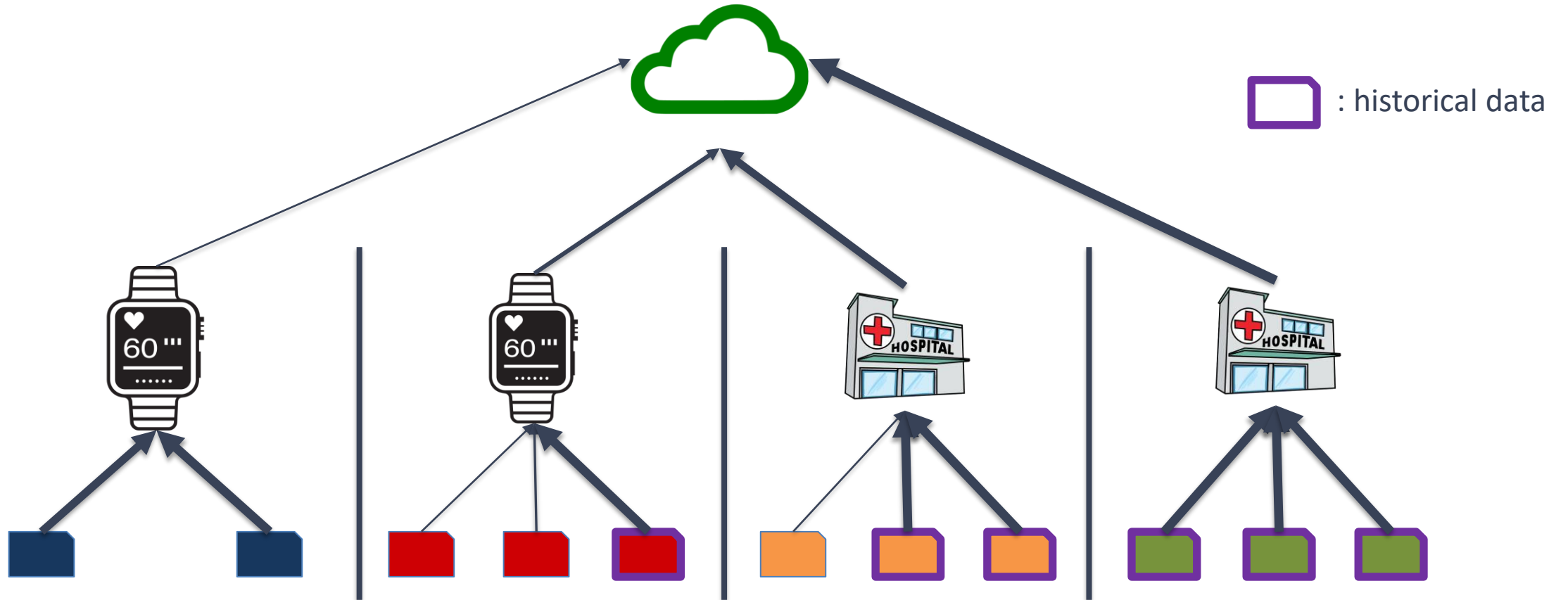


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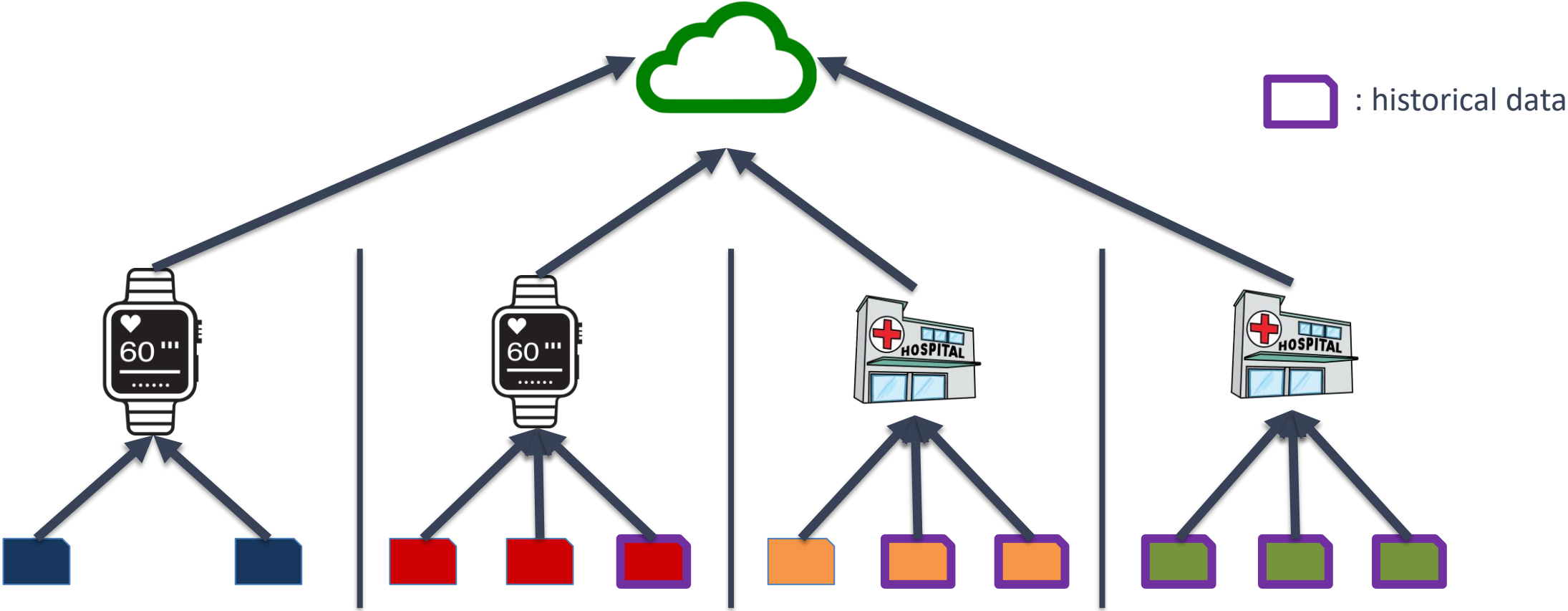
What importance to give to historical samples in comparison to fresh ones?



# “Historical” strategy



# “Uniform” strategy



# Theoretical Analysis

## Reminder: error decomposition in ML

“True Error” = “Optimization Error” + “Generalization Error” + “Approximation Error”

“**Optimization Error**” is large when gradients are noisy

“**Generalization Error**” is large when few samples are available

“**Approximation Error**” only depends on the hypothesis space (model architecture)

# Theoretical Analysis

## “Historic”

- small variance
- small efficient number of samples
- low optimization error
- high generalization error

## “Uniform”

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# Theoretical Analysis

“Historic”

“Uniform”

Is there a better compromise than these two extreme strategies?

- small number of

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# Theoretical Analysis

Is there a better compromise than these two extreme strategies?

➤ The answer is “usually YES”

Theorem (informal)

$$\text{True Error} \leq c_0 + c_1 \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{m=M_{\text{hist}}+1}^M p_m^2} + c_2 \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{m=1}^M \frac{p_m^2}{n_m}}.$$

# clients

client importance

# historical clients

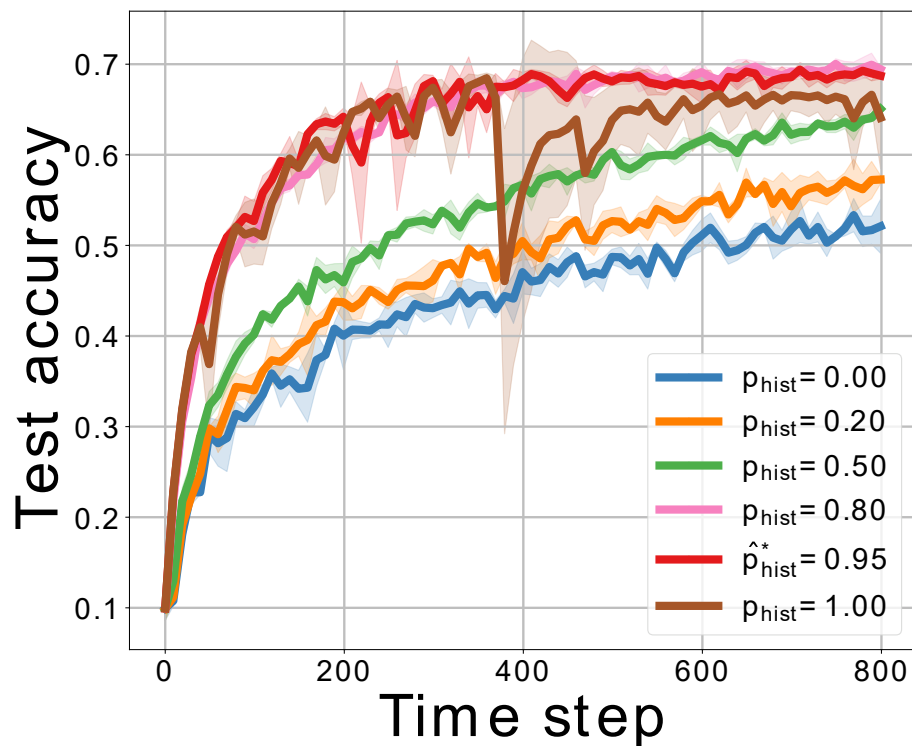
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## Practical Algorithm

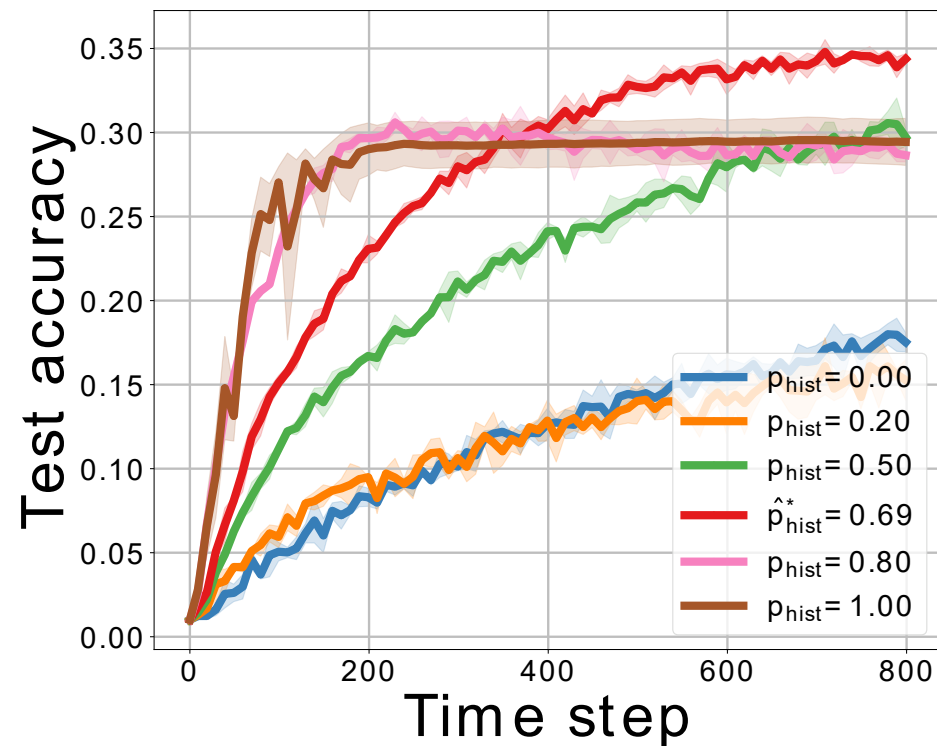
1. estimate the constants on historical data
2. optimize the upper-bound
3. run federated averaging with the resulting weights

# Experimental Results

Scenario with large number of historical samples (50%)



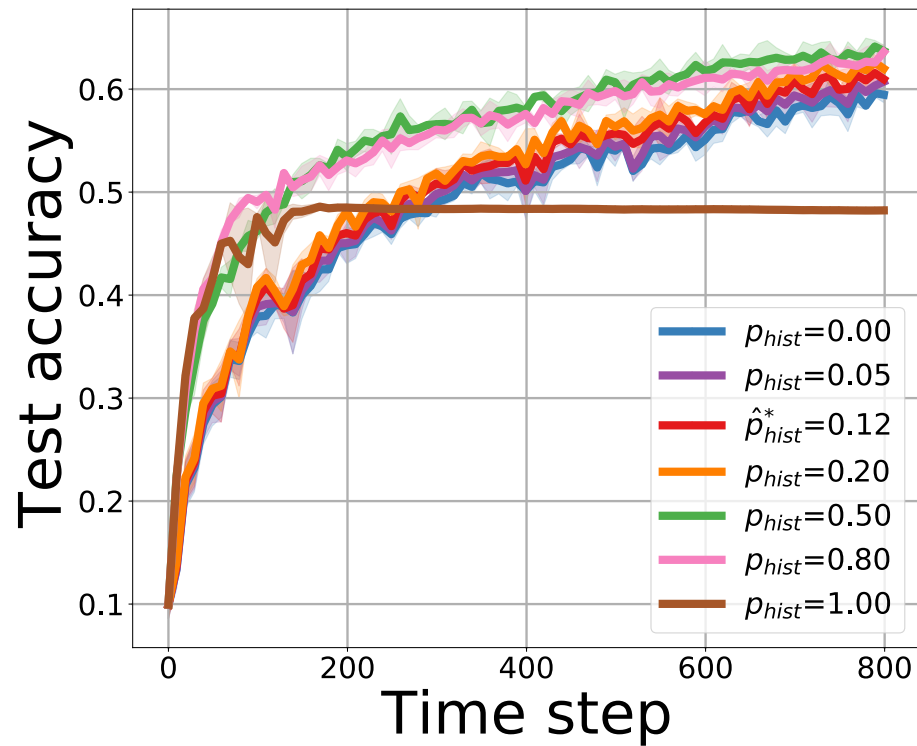
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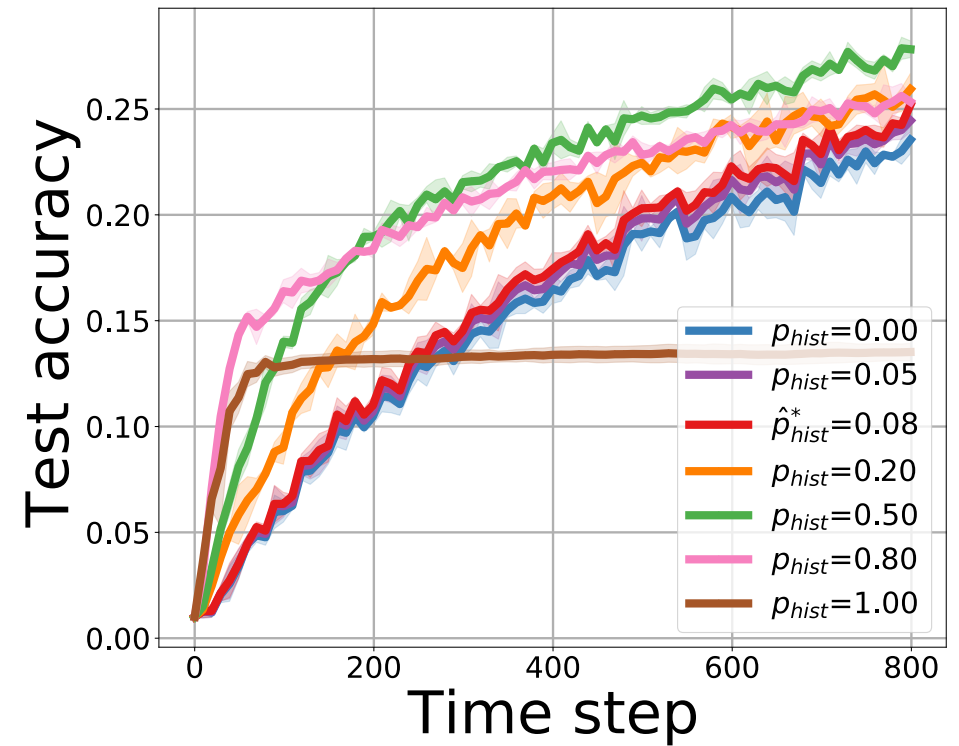
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# Experimental Results

Scenario with a few historical samples (5%)



CIFAR-10



CIFAR-100

# Conclusion

1. Formalize the problem of federated learning for data streams
2. Theoretical analysis reveals a new generalization-optimization tradeoff
3. Practical algorithm to decide the relative importance samples

Questions