

[220] Copying

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(Through P4)**

Test yourself!

A what do variables contain?

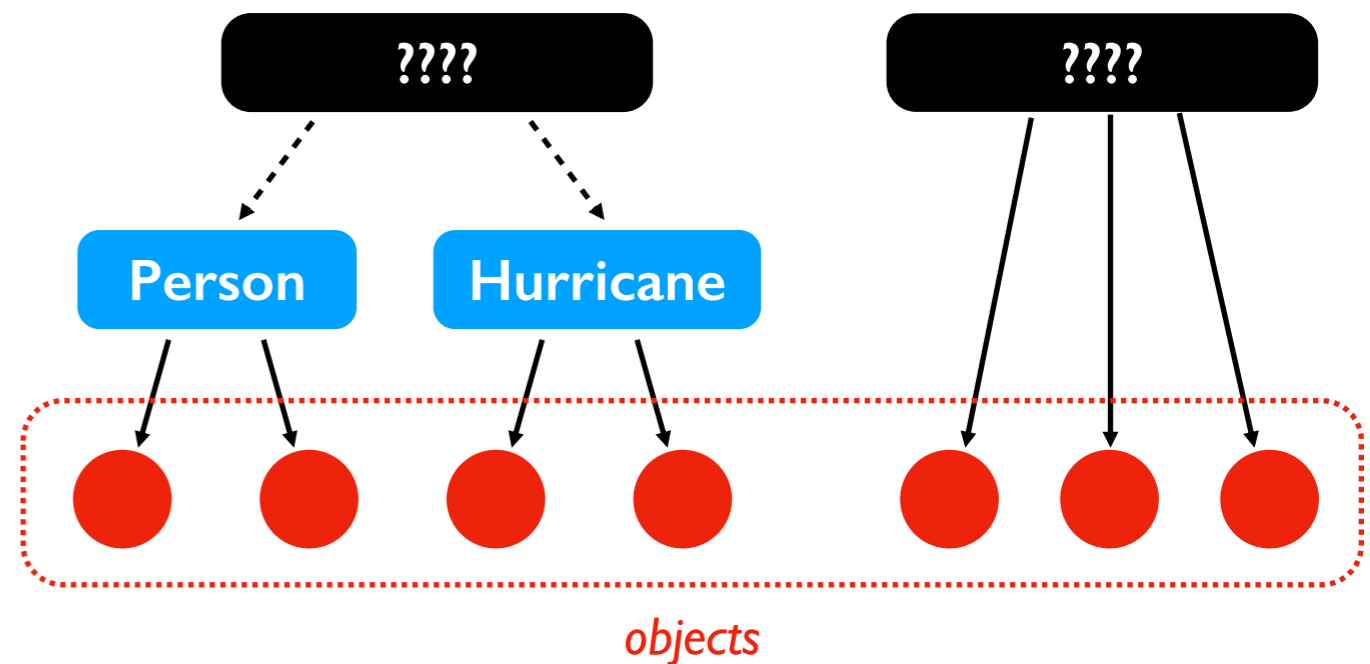
- 1 objects
- 2 references to objects

B how should we label the blanks in the hierarchy?

- 1 namedtuple, tuple
- 2 tuple, namedtuple

C which of the following live inside frames?

- 1 objects
- 2 variables



Learning Objectives Today

Practice objects/references!

Levels of copying

- Making a new reference
- Shallow copy
- Deep copy



<https://www.copymachinesdirect.com/copier-leasing.php>

Read:

- ✦ Sweigart Ch 4 ("References" to the end)
<https://automatetheboringstuff.com/chapter4/>

Today's Outline

Review

More references

Copying

- reference
- shallow
- deep

Worksheet

Worksheet Problem I

What does assignment ACTUALLY do?

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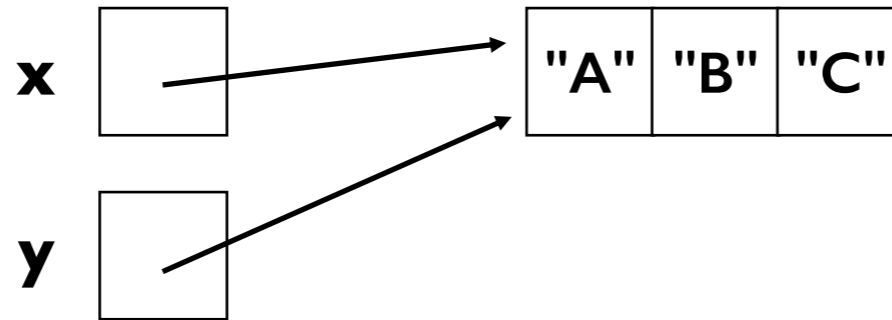
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`y = x`

YES



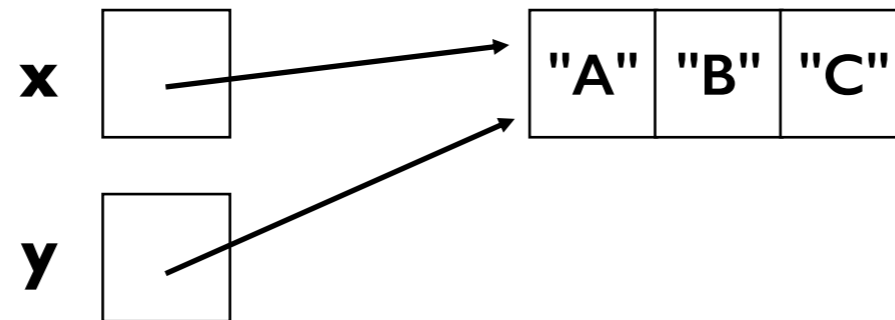
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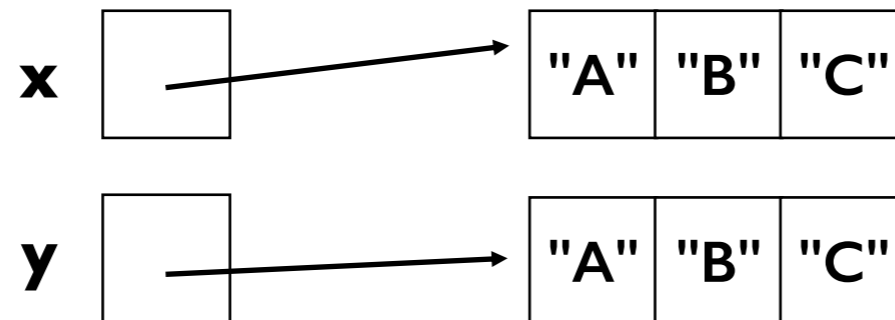
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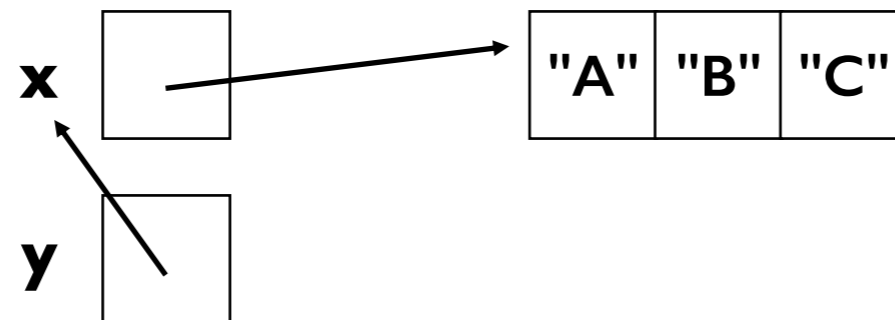
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NO



different code would be needed to do this

NO

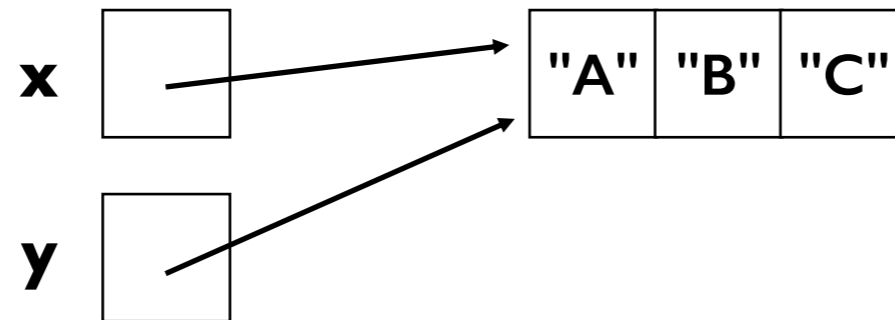


no code could ever make this happen

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y = **x**



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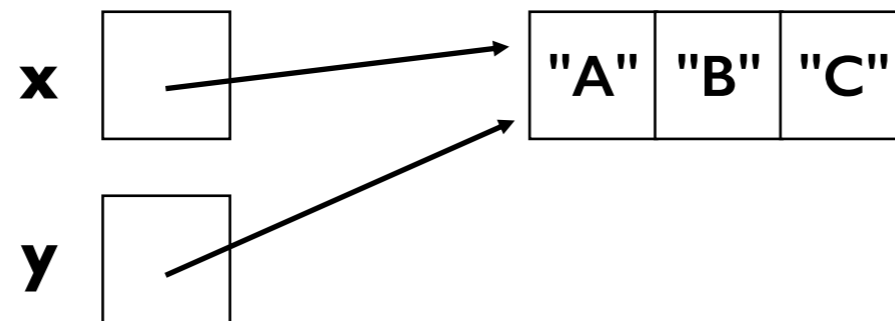
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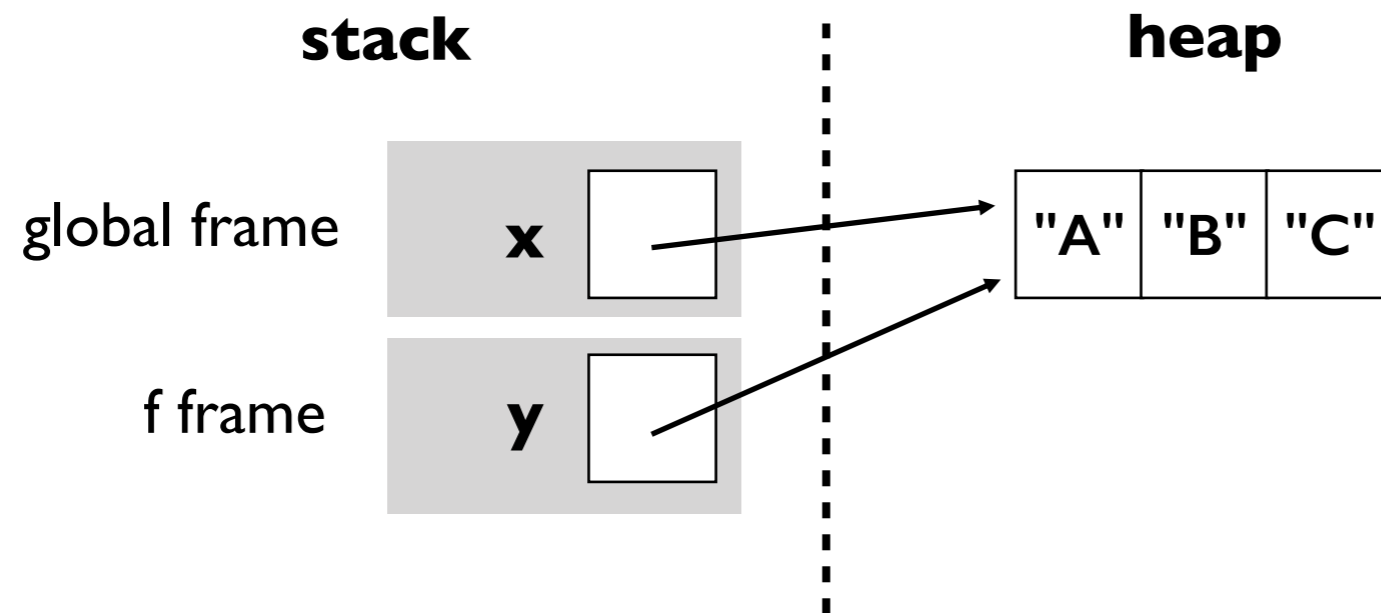
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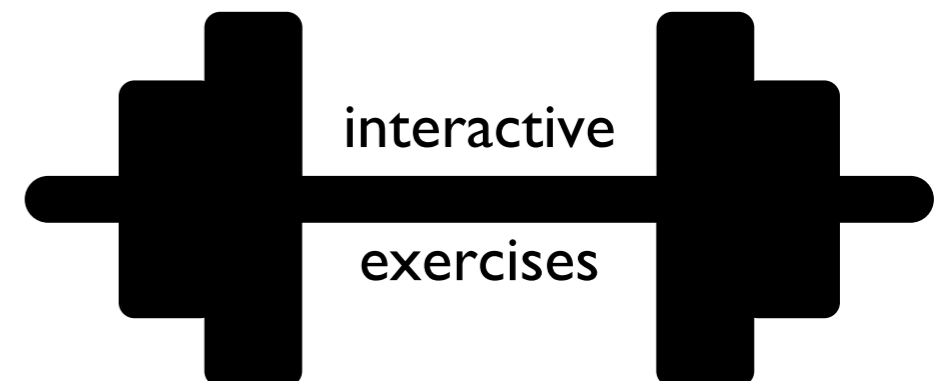
Example 1

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x = {}
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y = x
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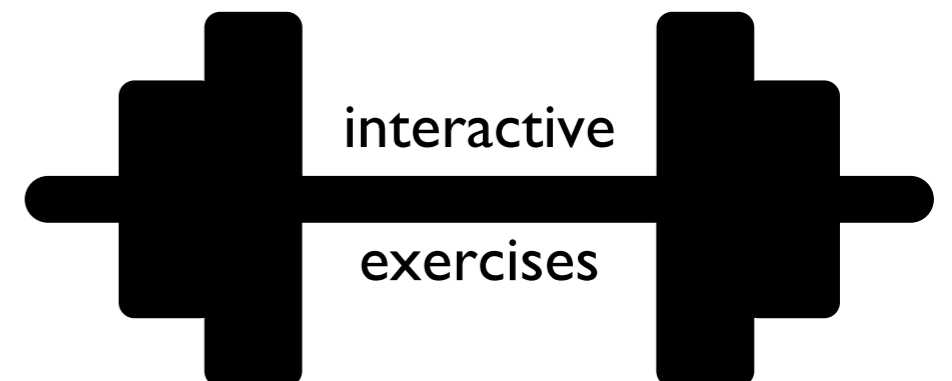
```
y["WI"] = "Madison"
```

```
print(x["WI"])
```



Example 2

```
def foo(nums):  
    nums.append(3)  
    print(nums)  
items = [1,2]  
numbers = items  
foo(numbers)  
print(items)  
print(numbers)
```



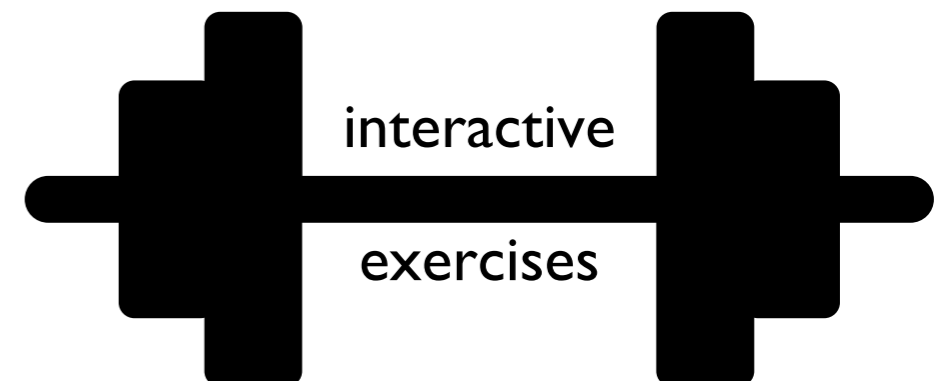
Example 3

```
x = [ "aaa", "bbb" ]
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```
y = x[:]
```

```
x.pop(0)
```

```
print(len(y))
```



Worksheet Problems 2-6

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State:

references

objects

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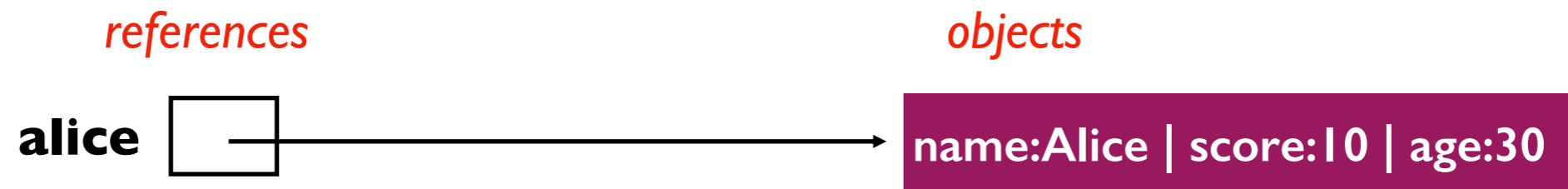
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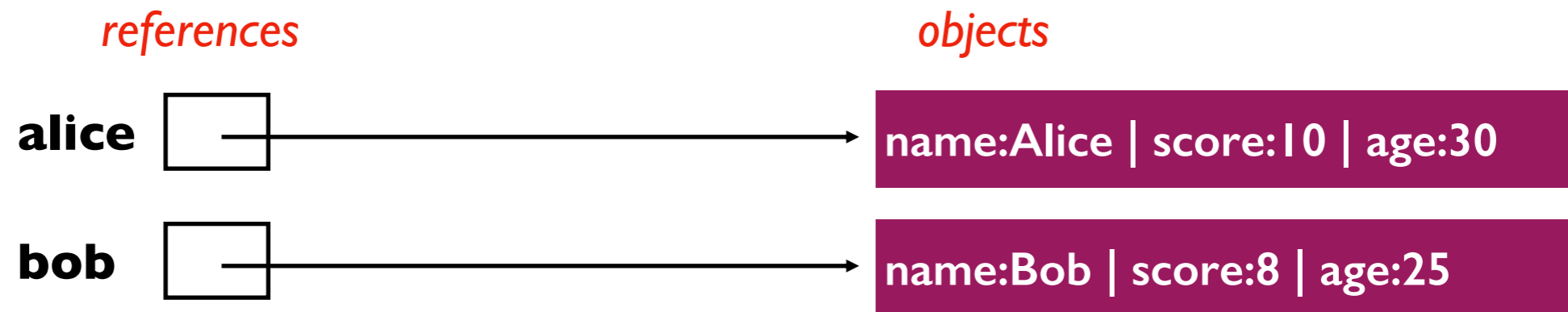
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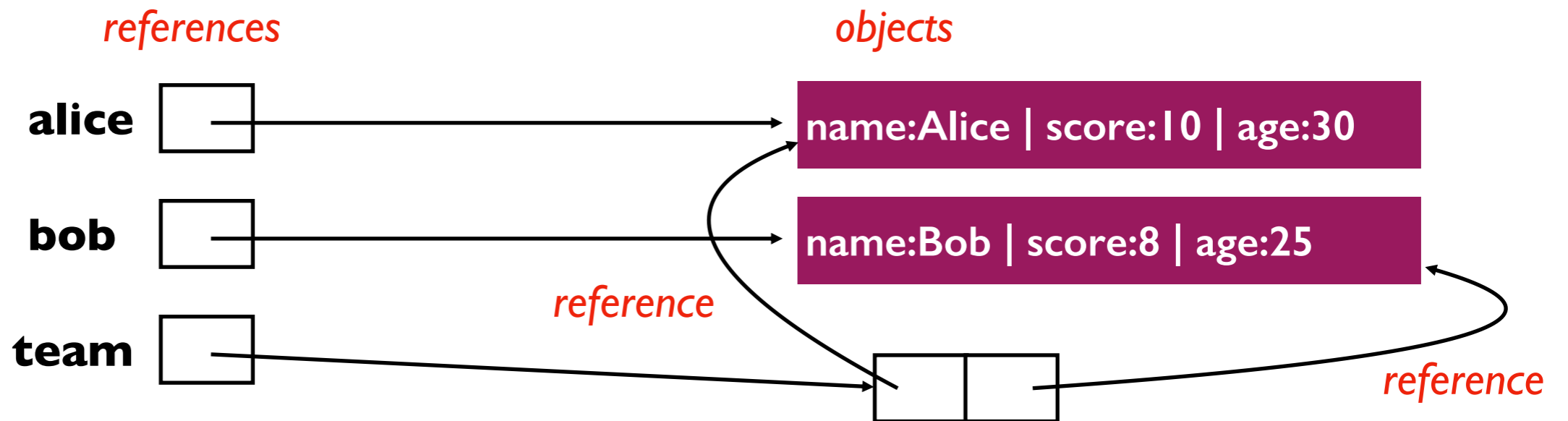
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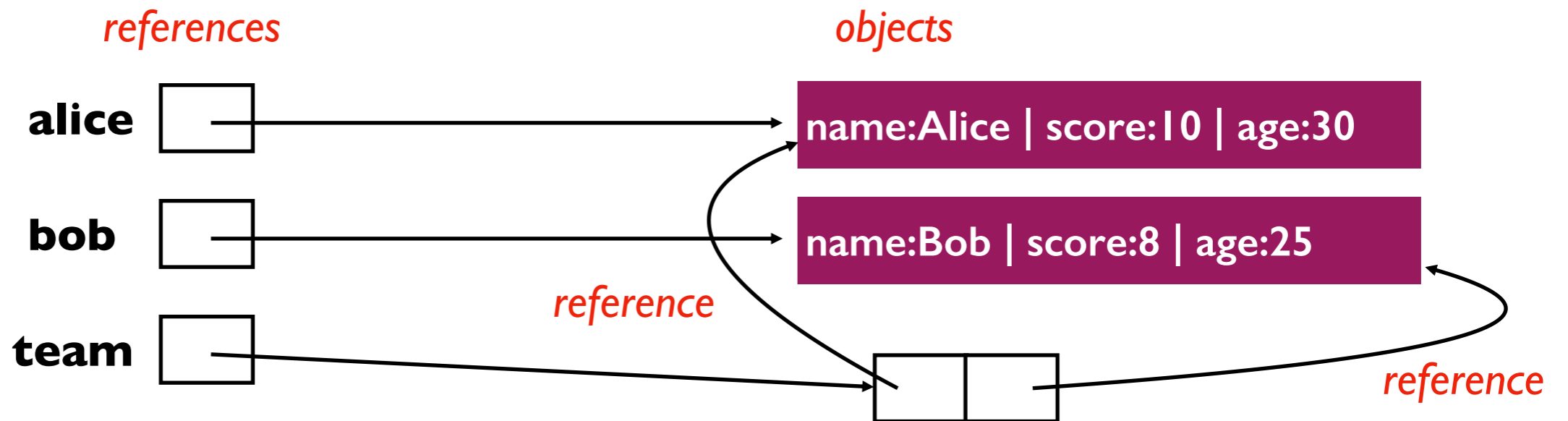
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what DID NOT happen: `team` contains the `alice` and `bob` variables

what DID happen: `team` contains references to the objects referenced by `bob` and `alice`

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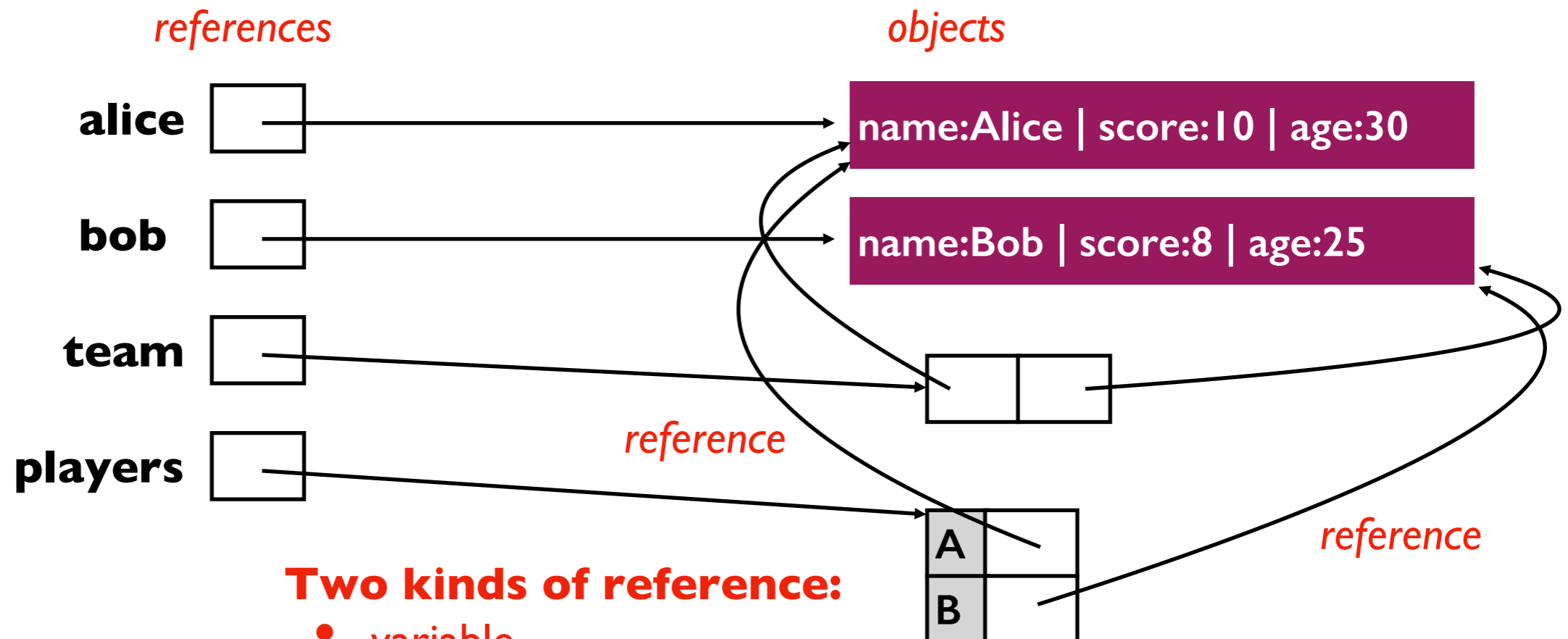
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Two kinds of reference:

- variable
- item in list, dict, etc

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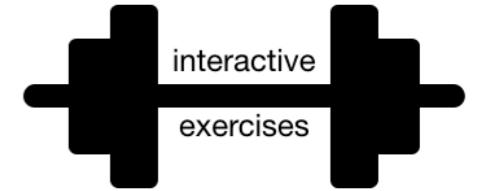
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Three Levels of Copy



When should we
use which one?

```
import copy
x = [
    {"name": "A", "score": 88},
    {"name": "B", "score": 111},
    {"name": "C", "score": 100}
]
```

uncomment one of these

`#y = x` ← reference copy [fastest, most dangerous]

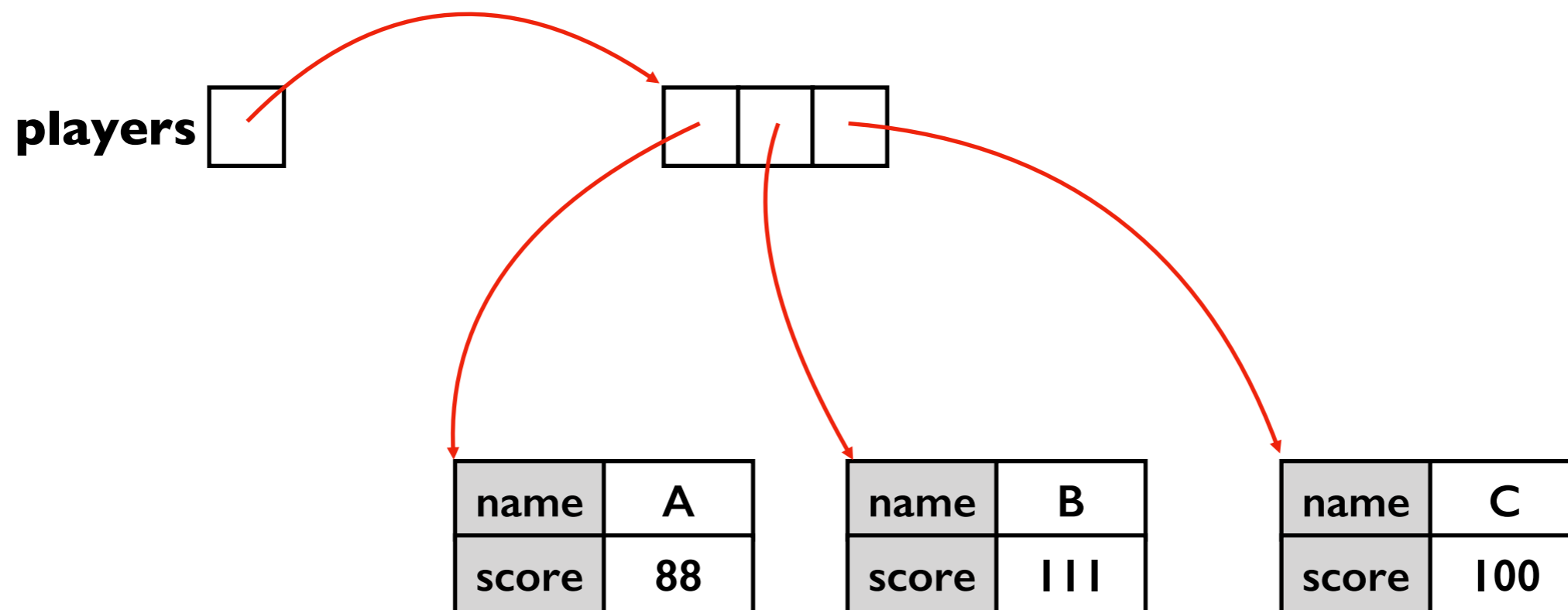
`#y = copy.copy(x)` ← shallow copy

`#y = copy.deepcopy(x)` ← deep copy [slowest, safest]

Example: Player Scores

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Depending on the use case,
there are **three ways** we might
"copy" the player's data



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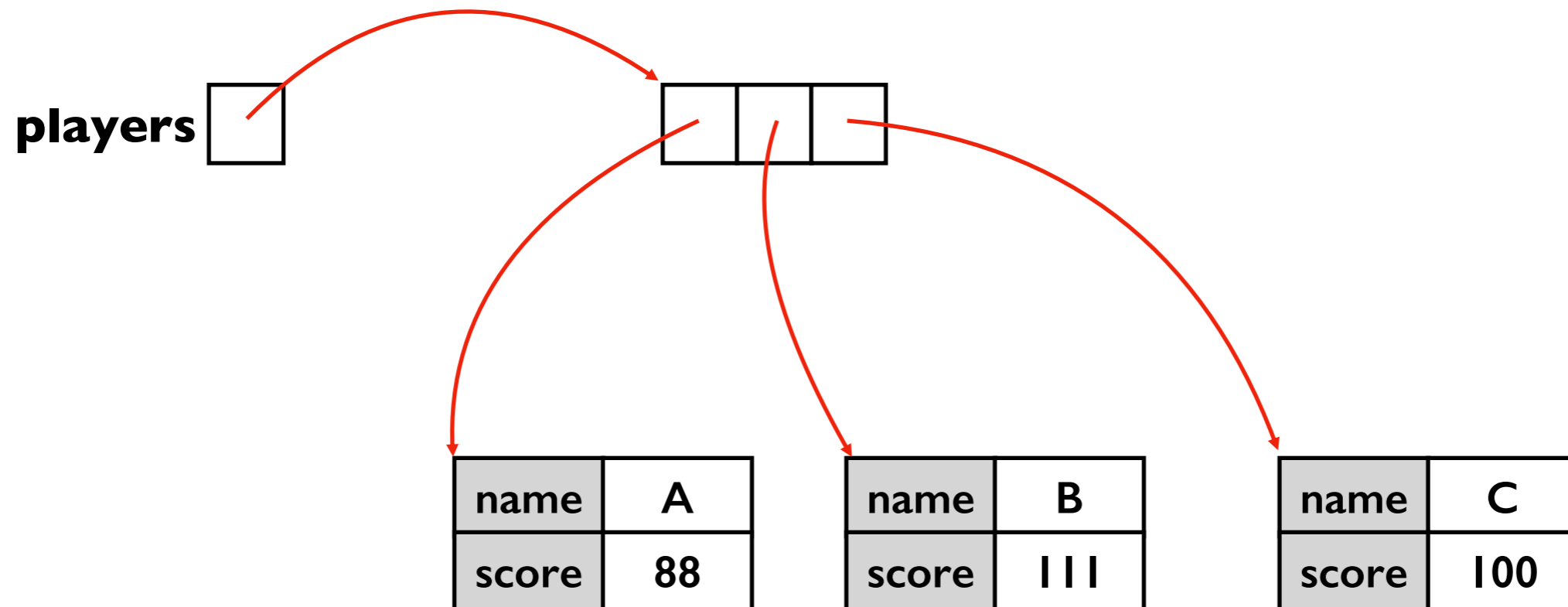
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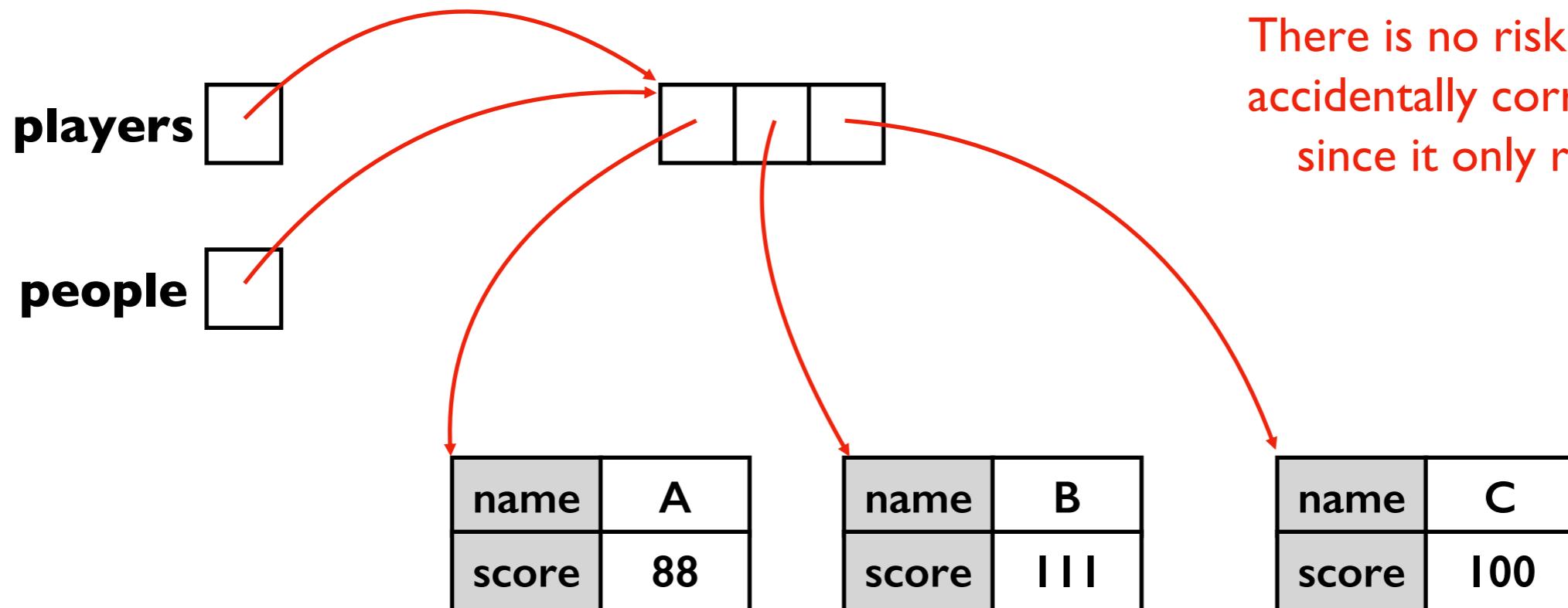
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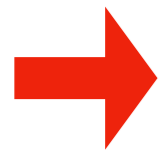


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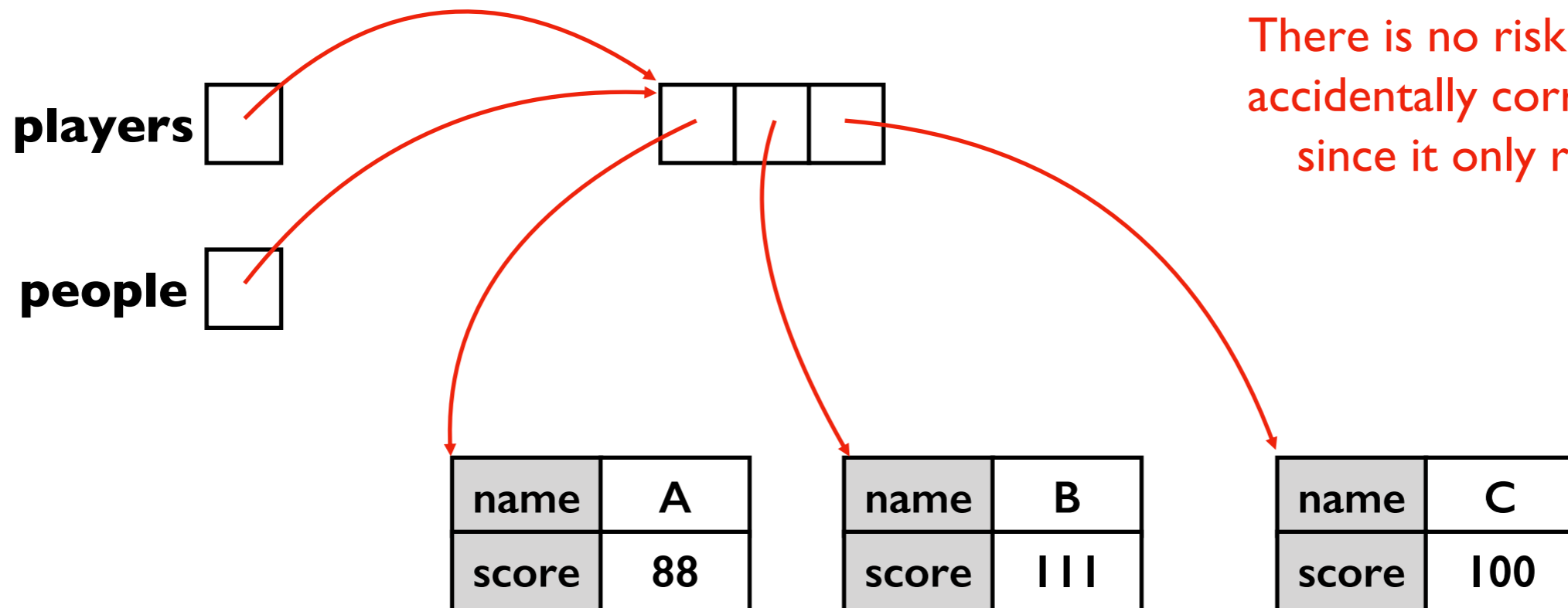


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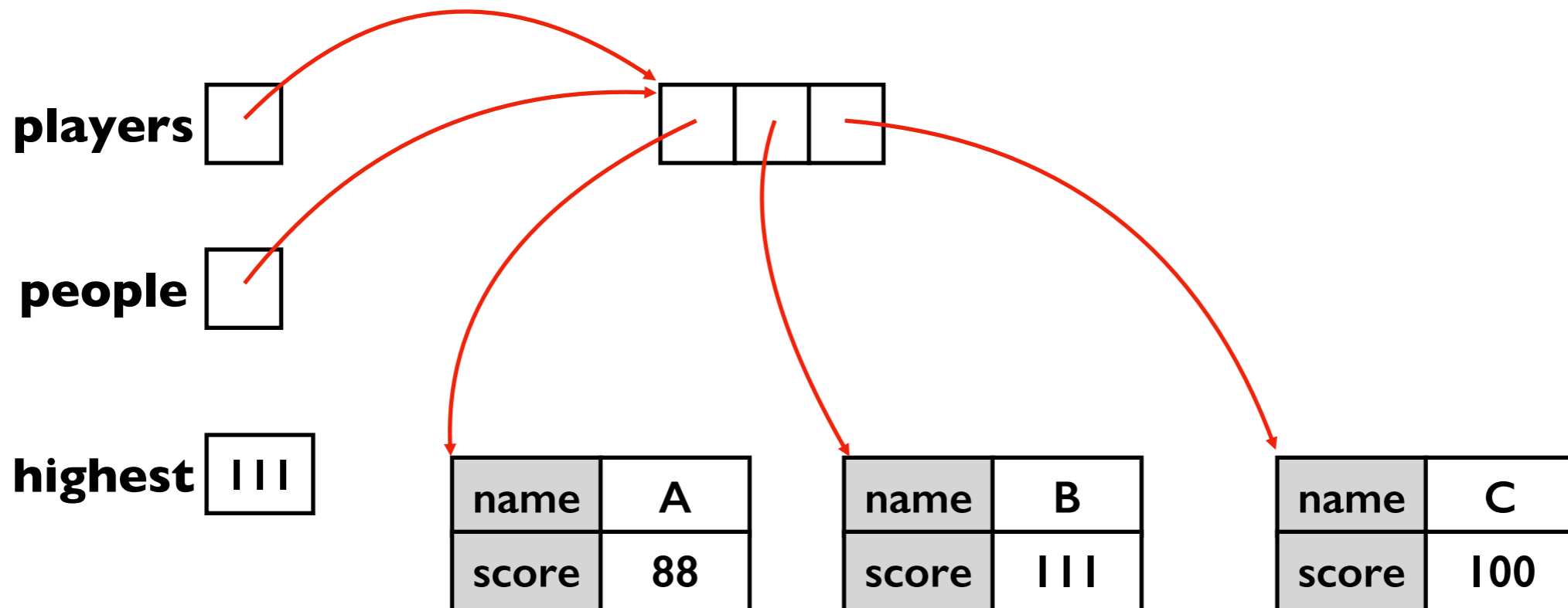


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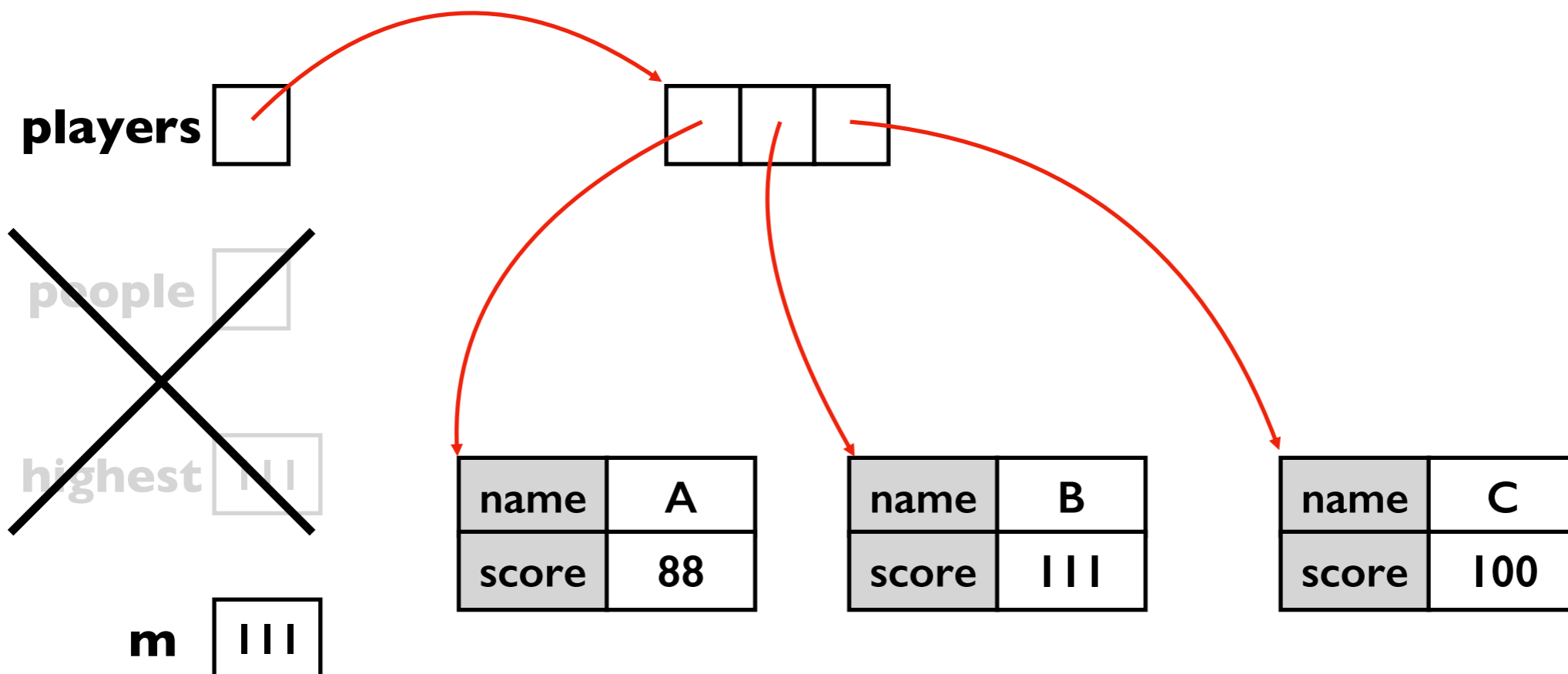


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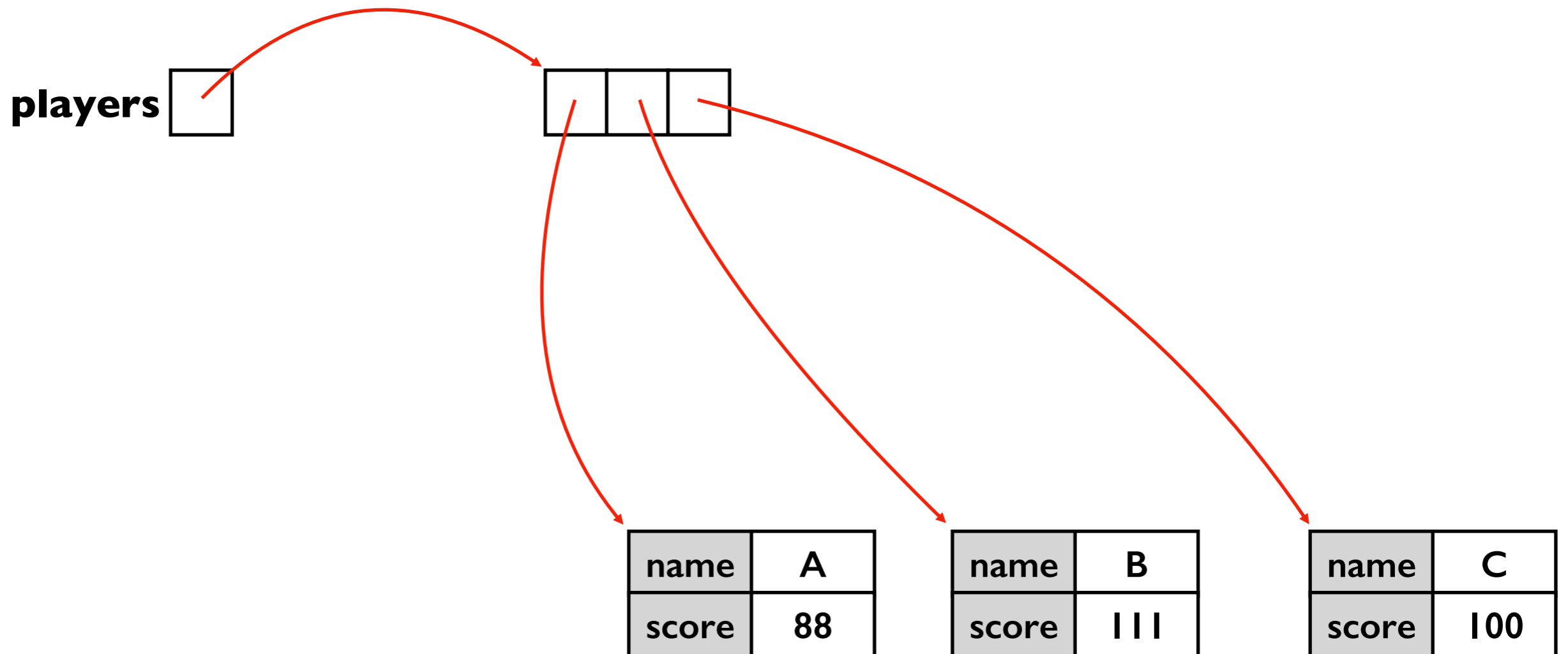
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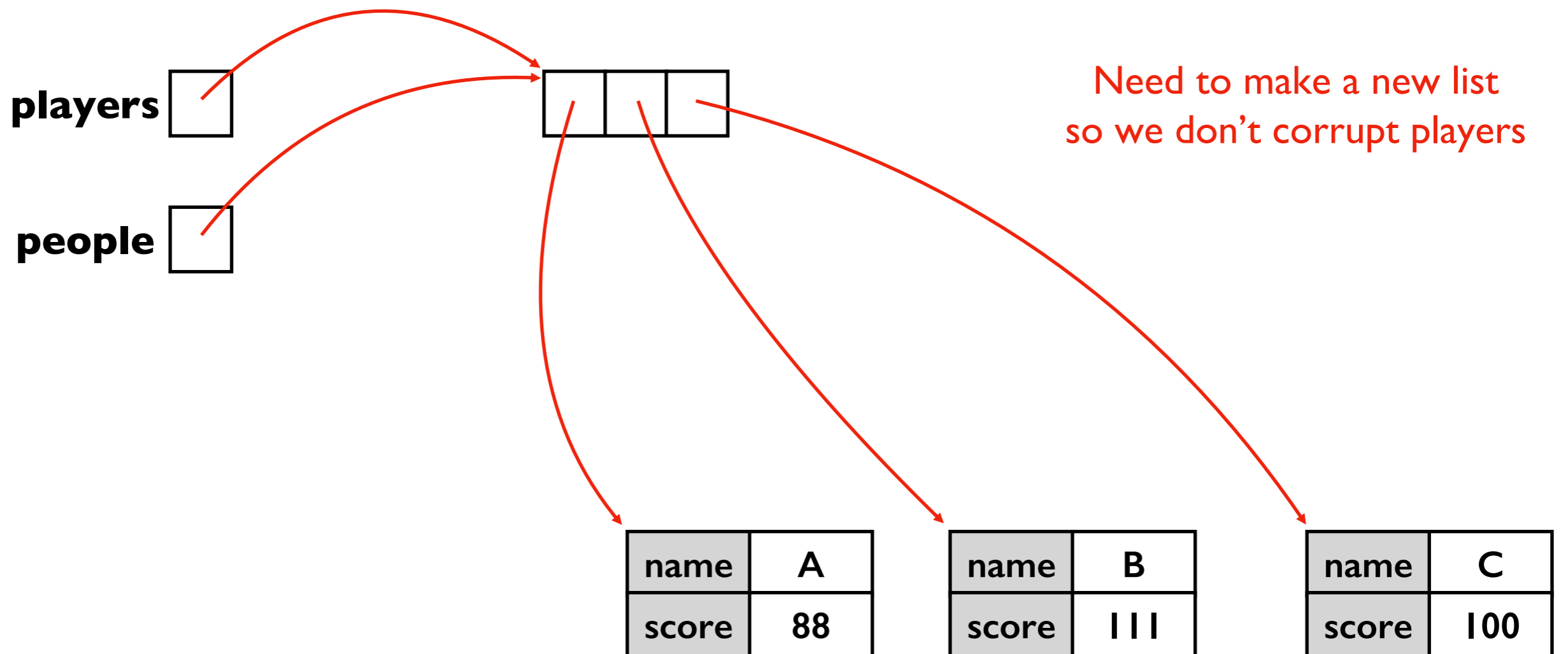
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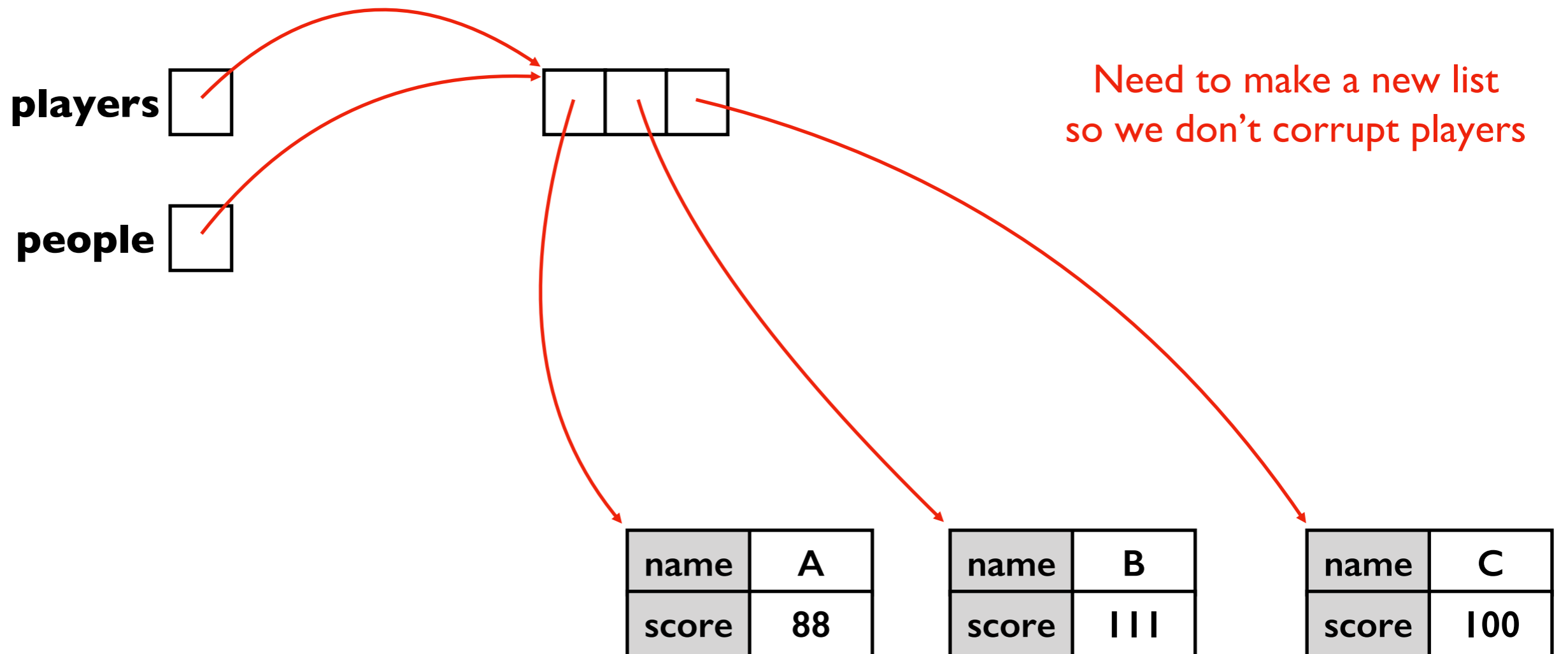
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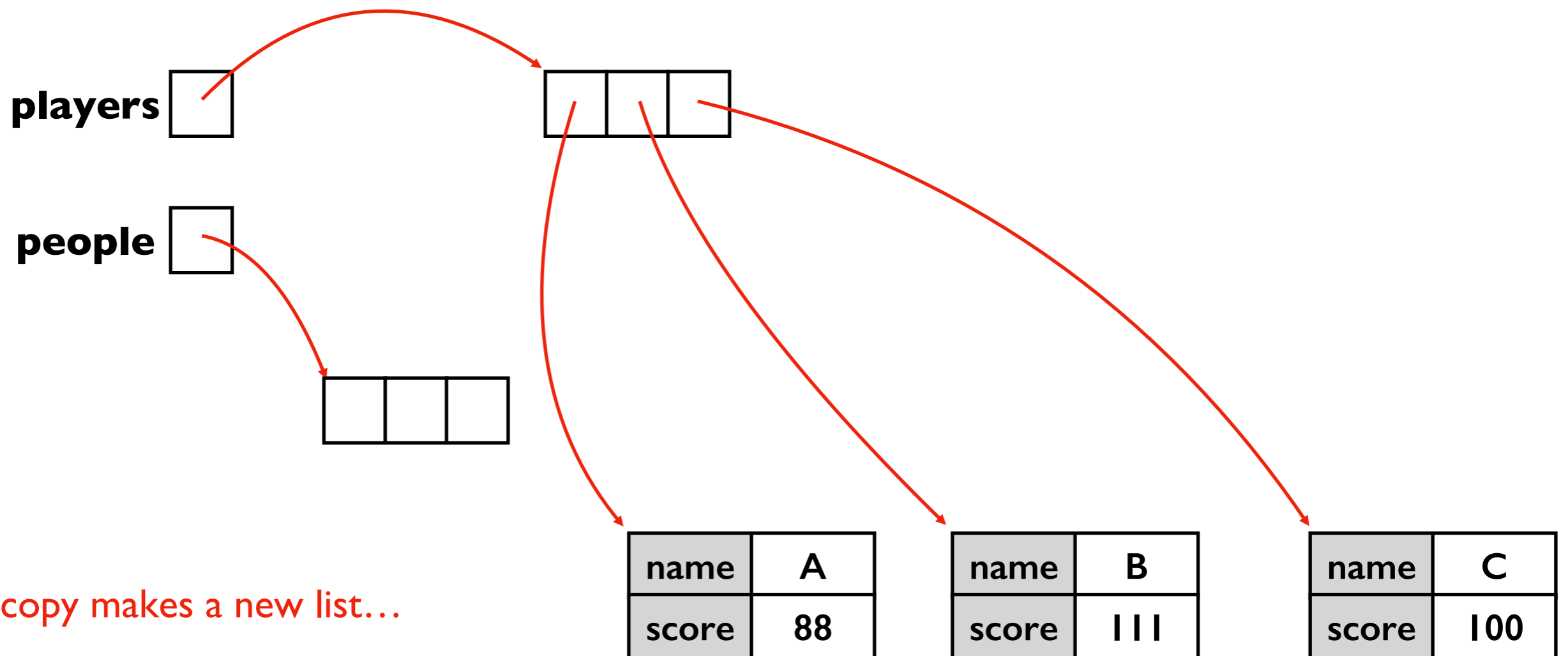
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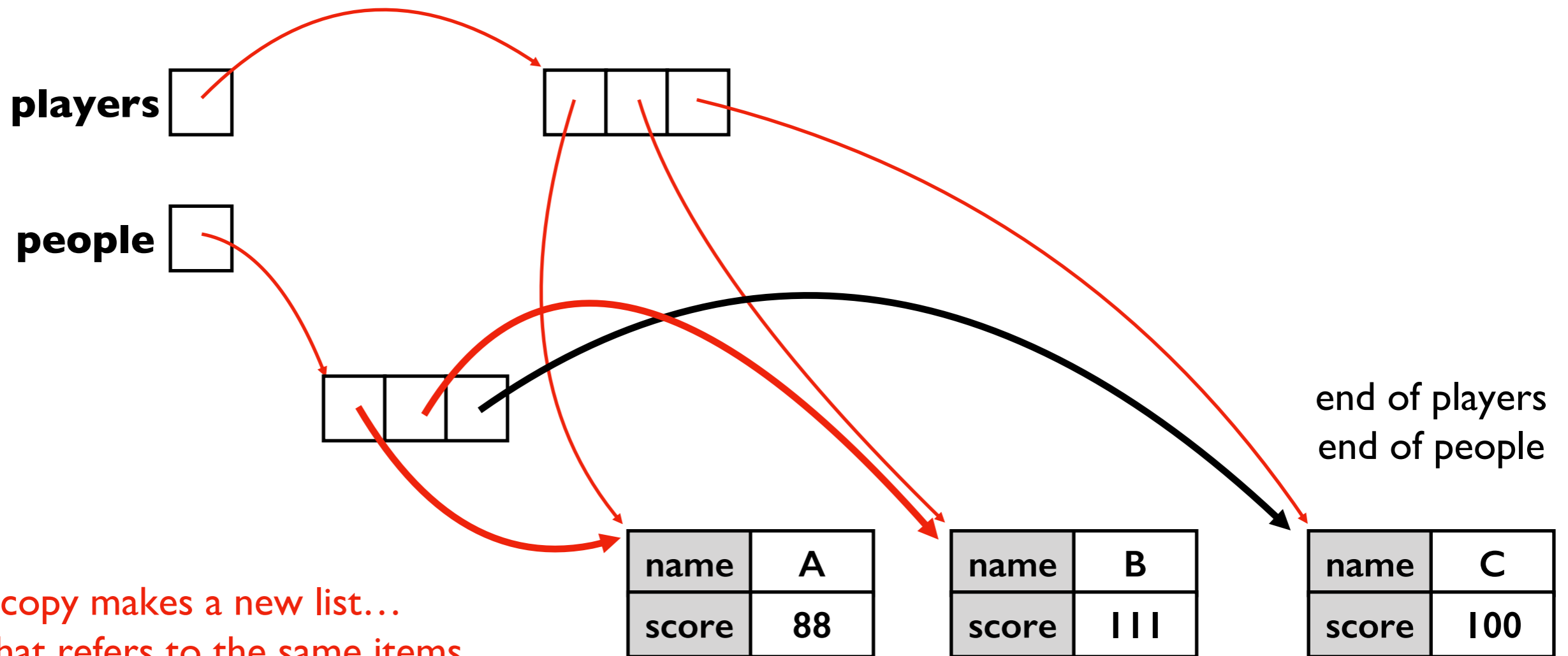
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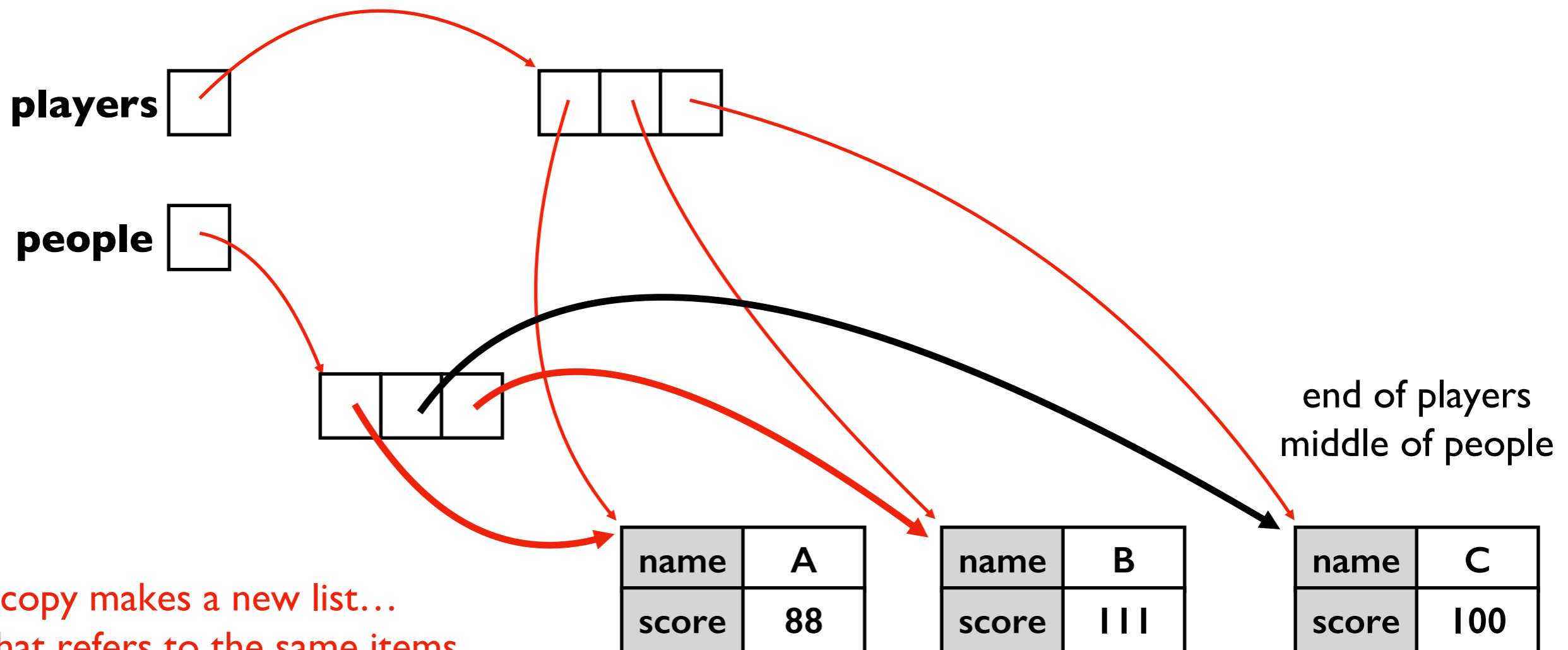


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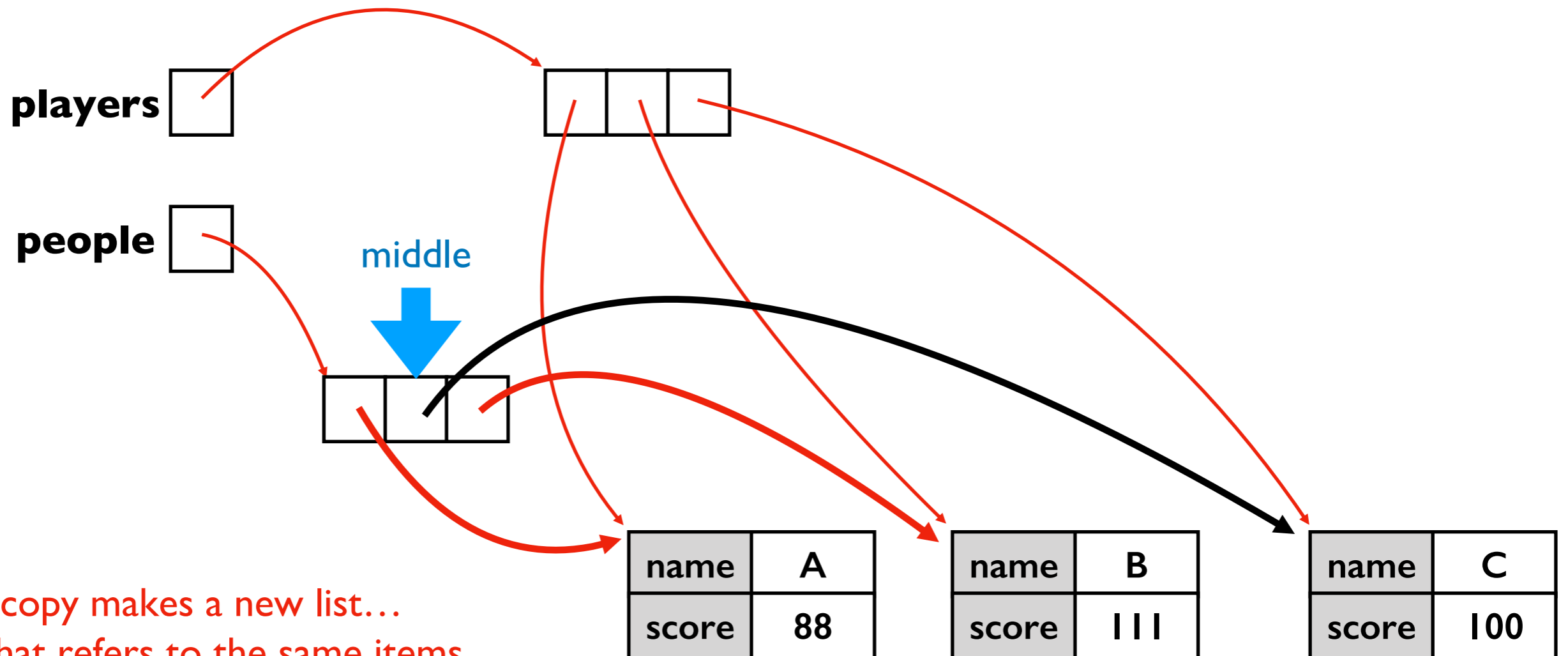


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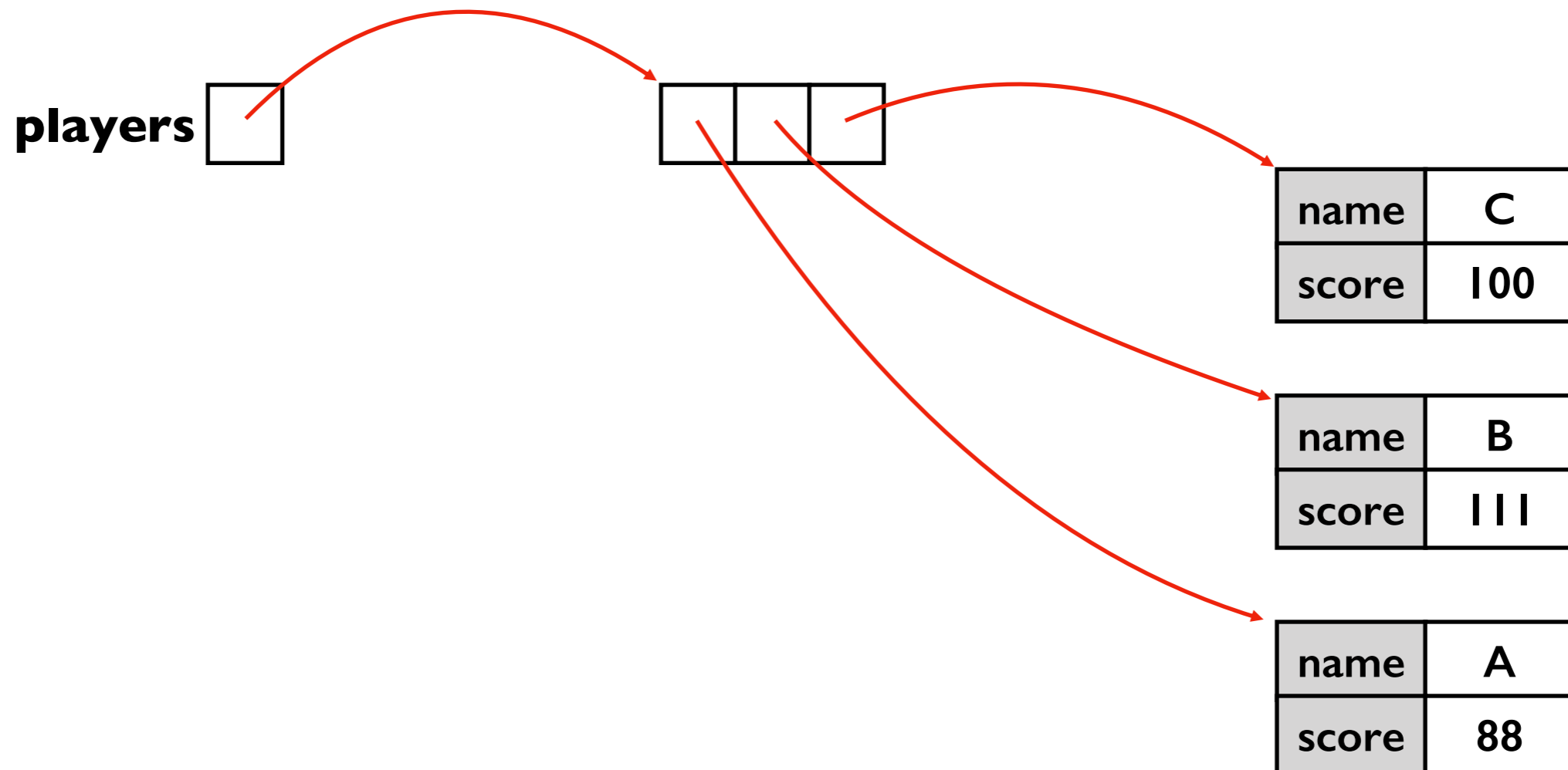
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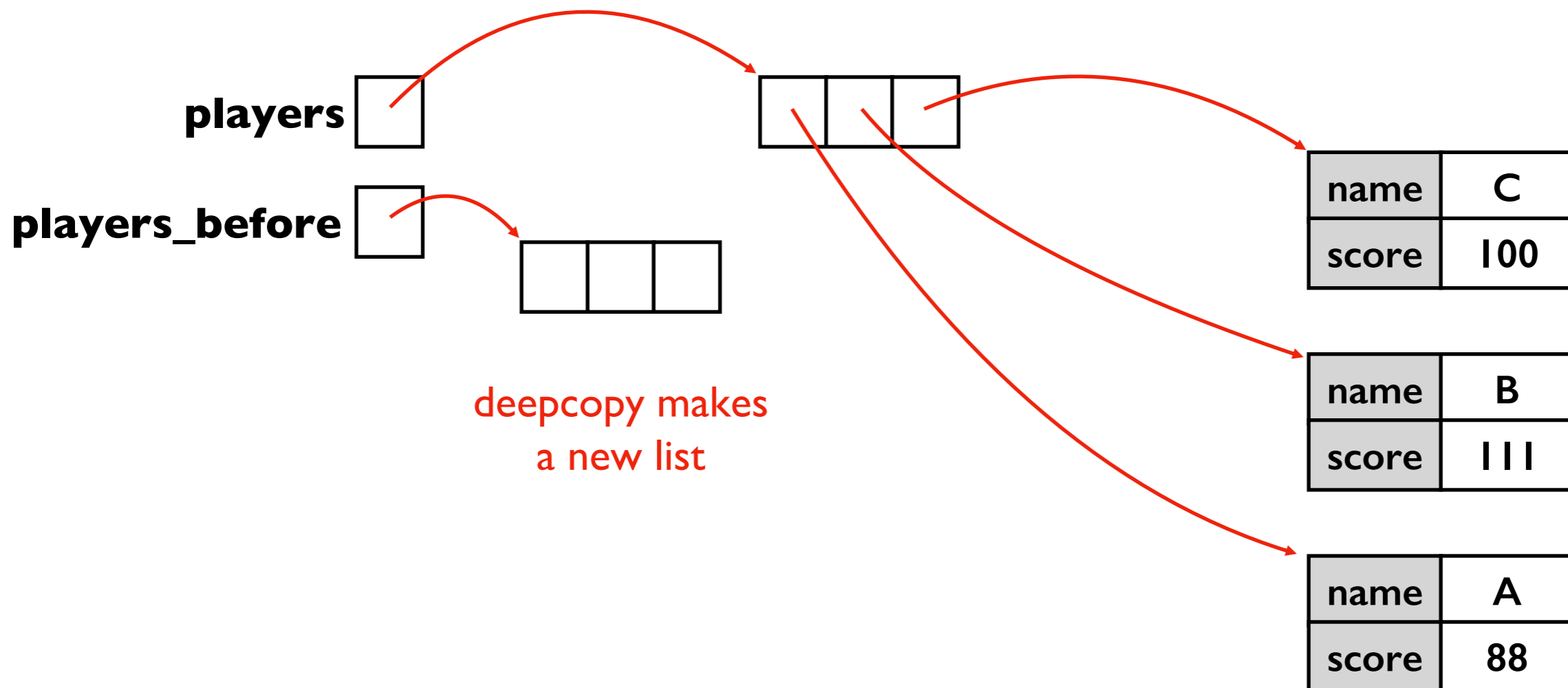
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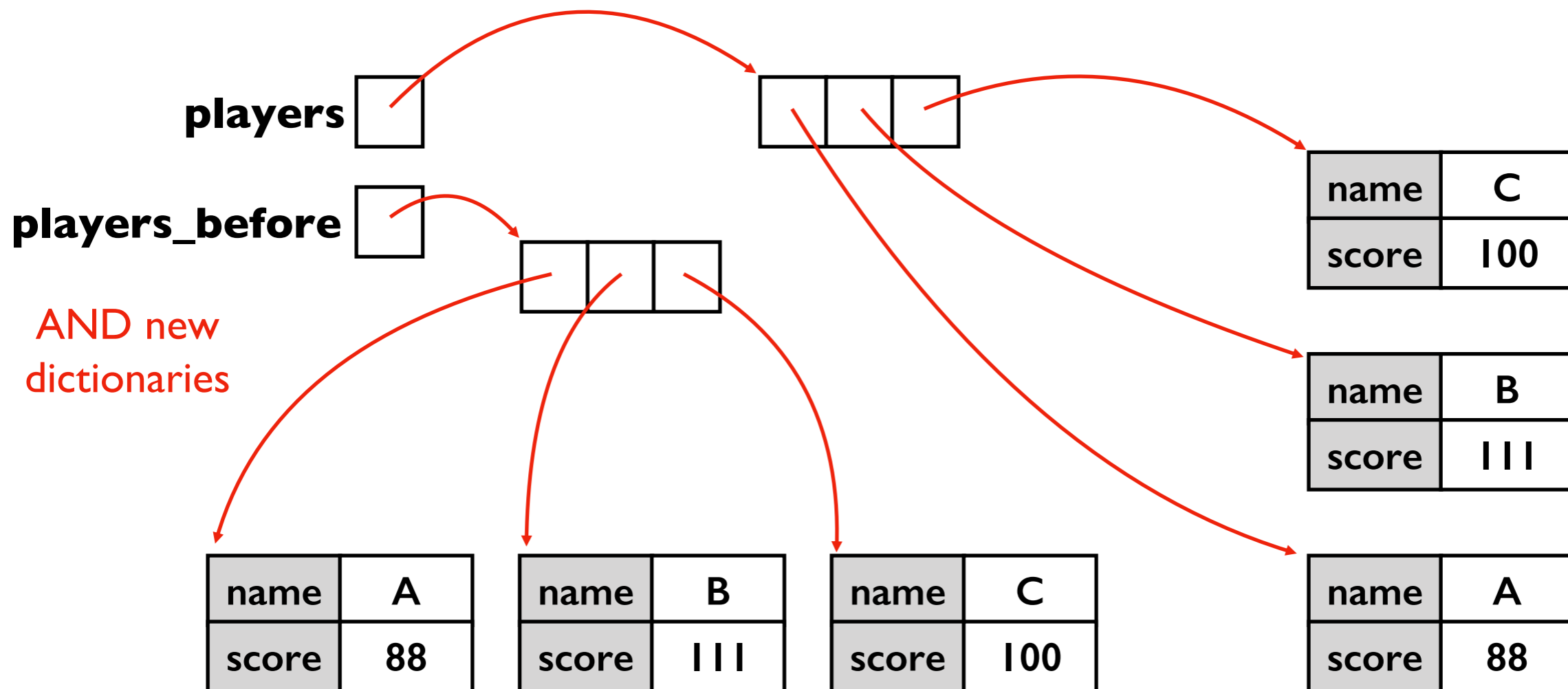


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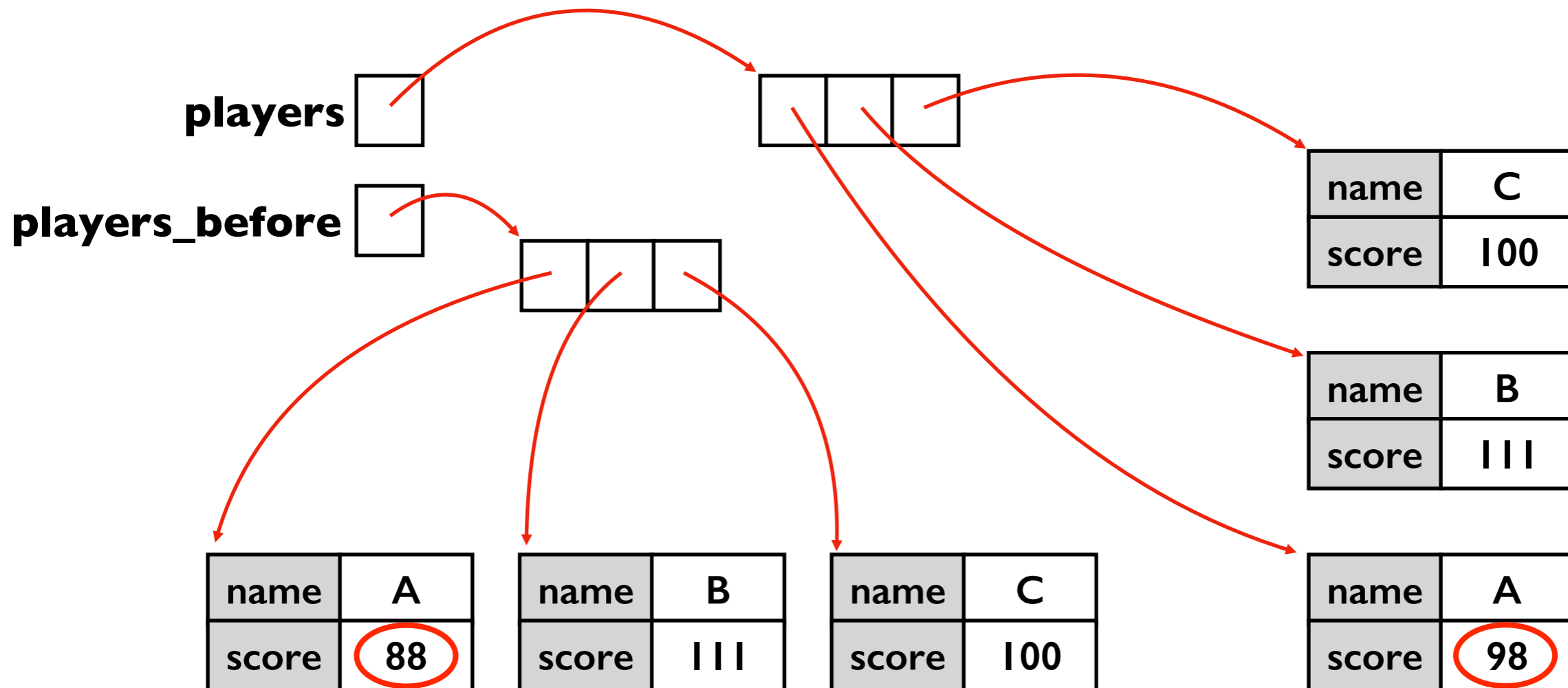


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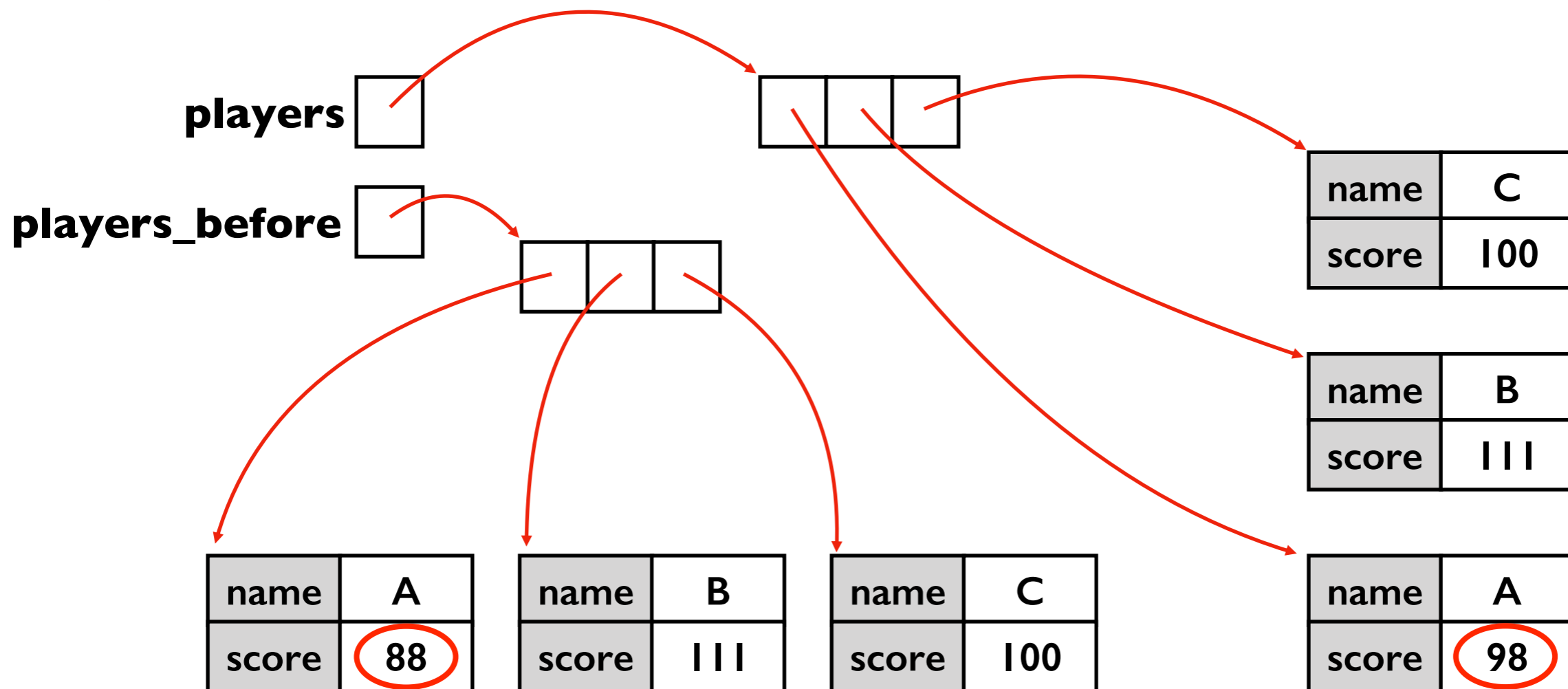

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