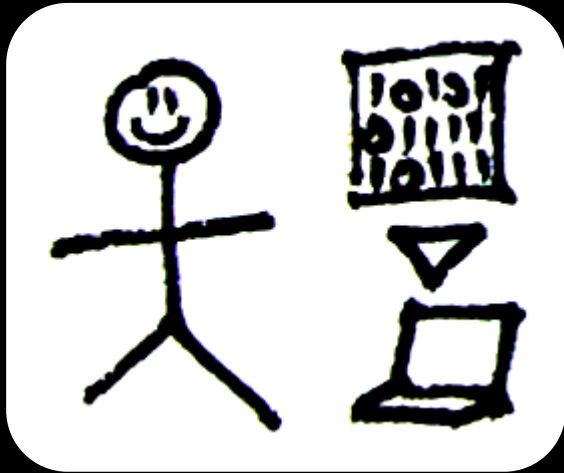


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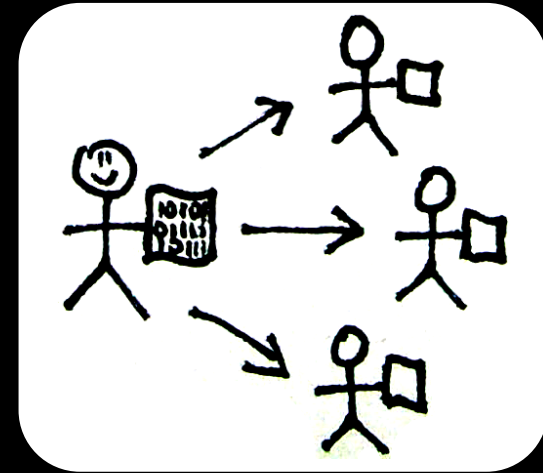
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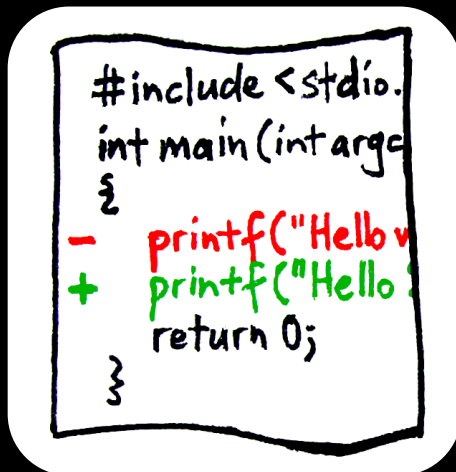
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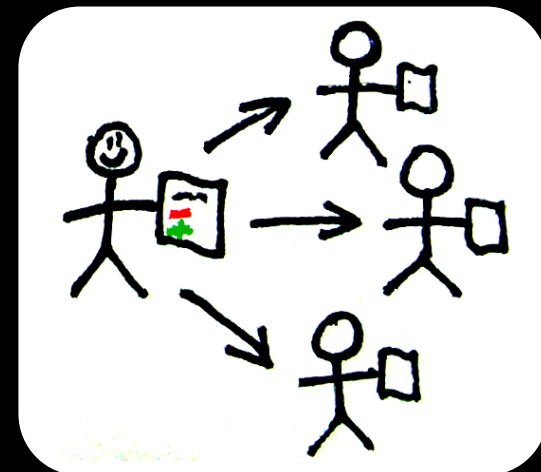
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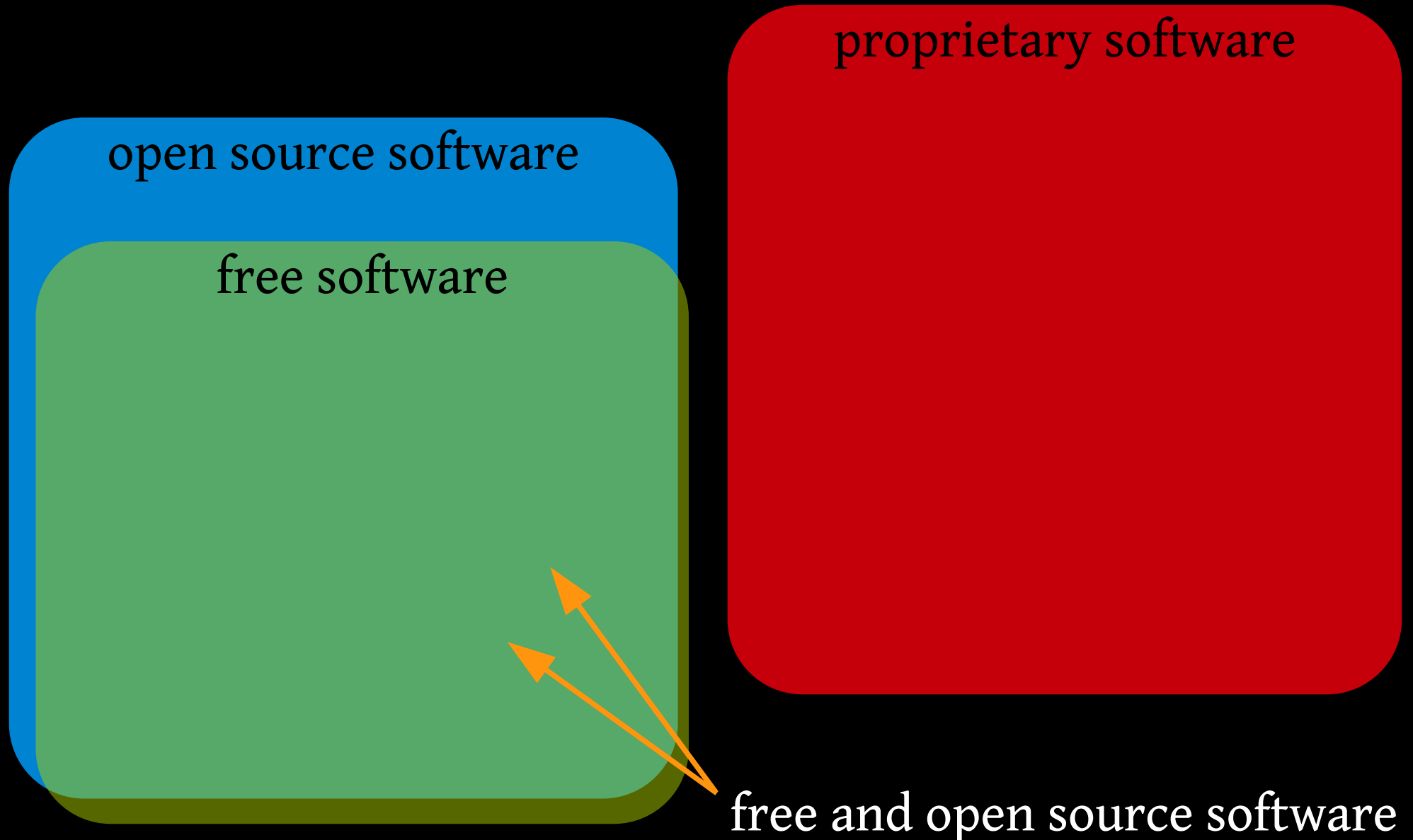


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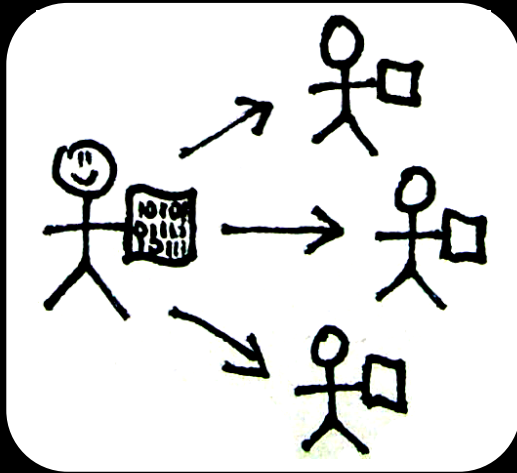
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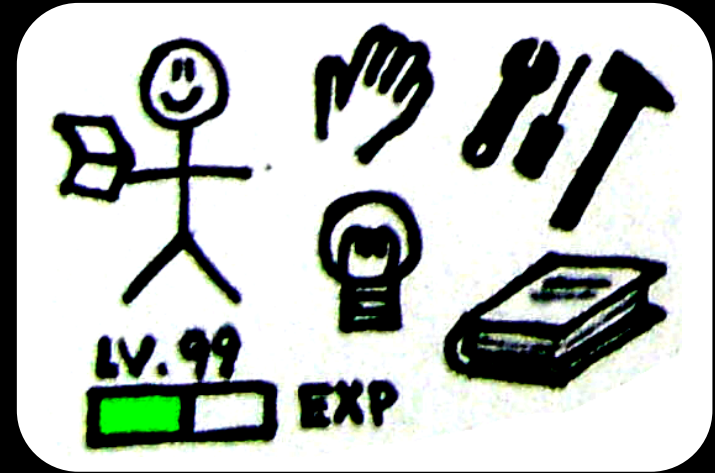
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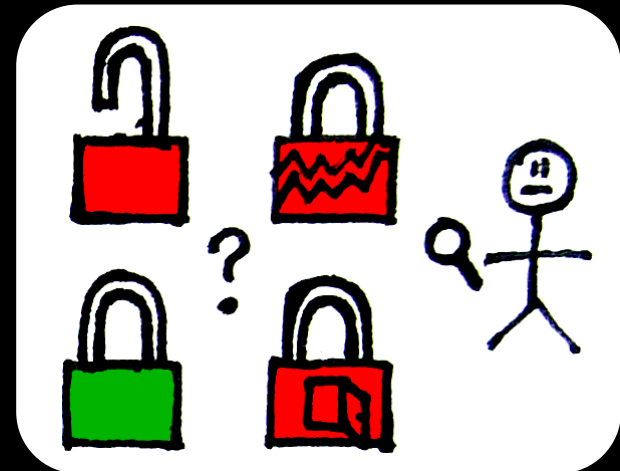
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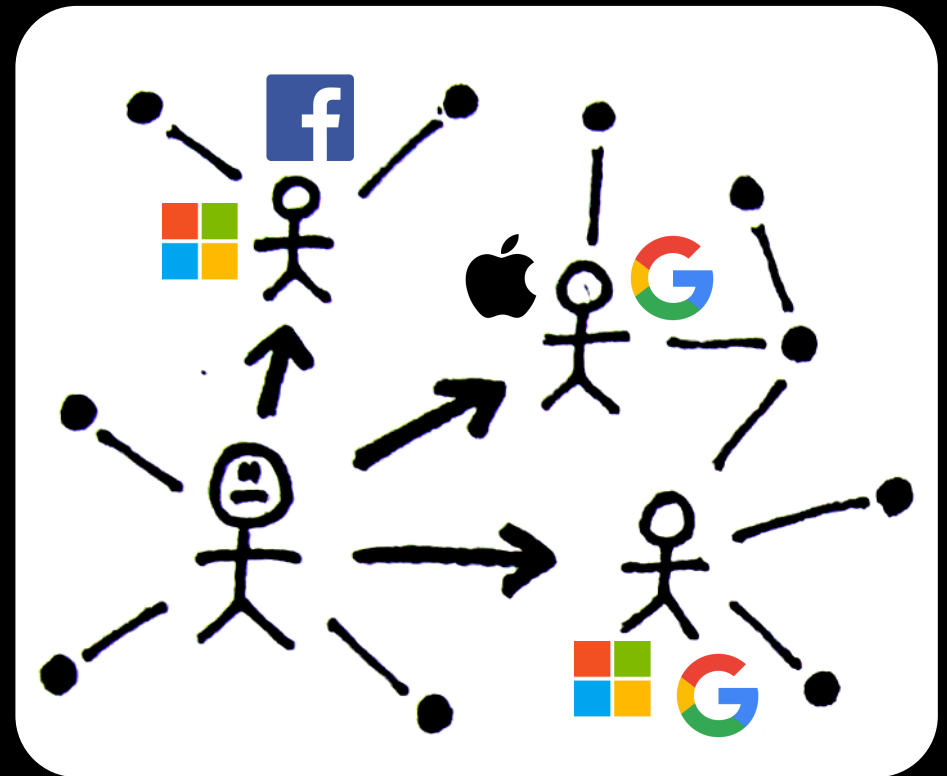
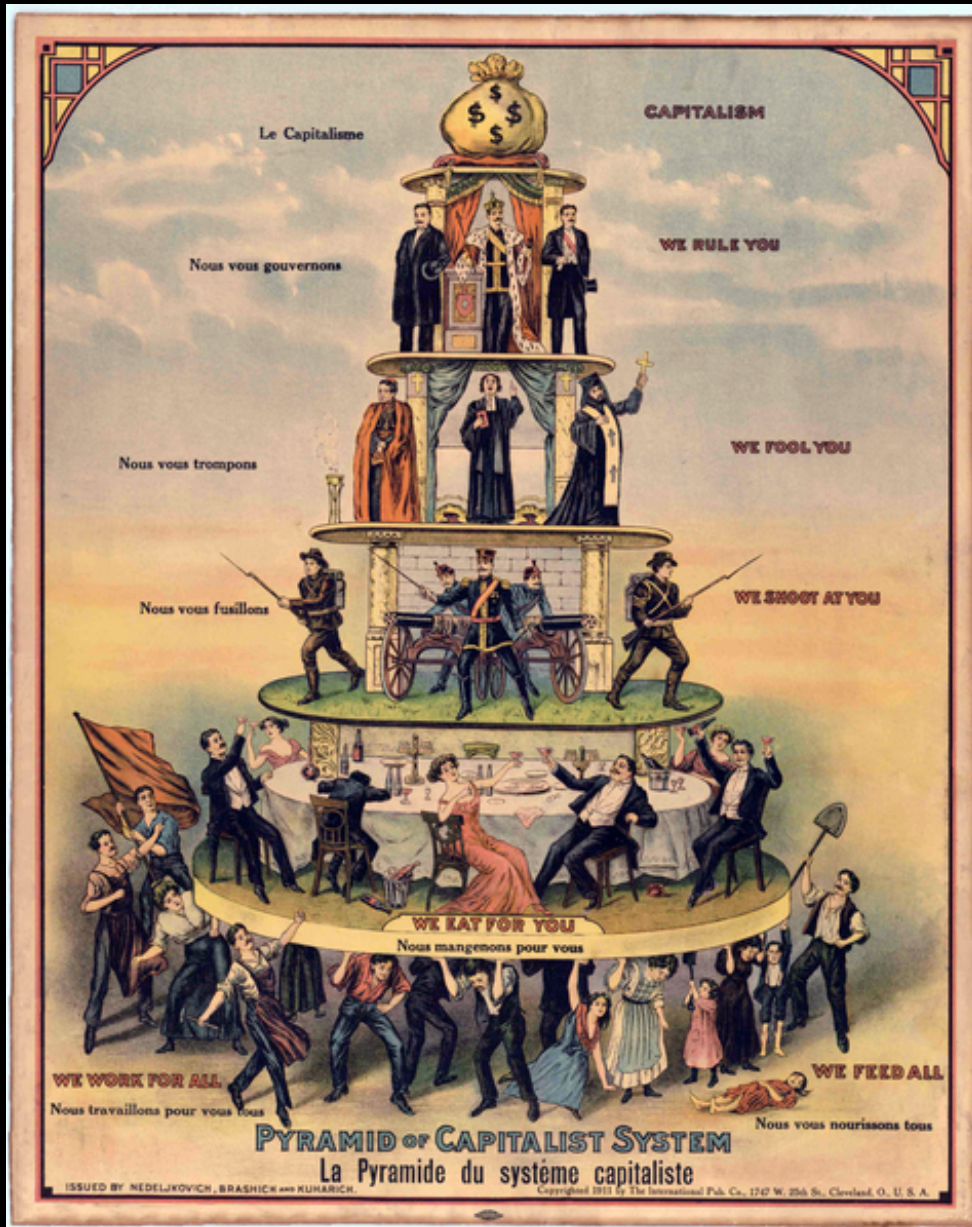


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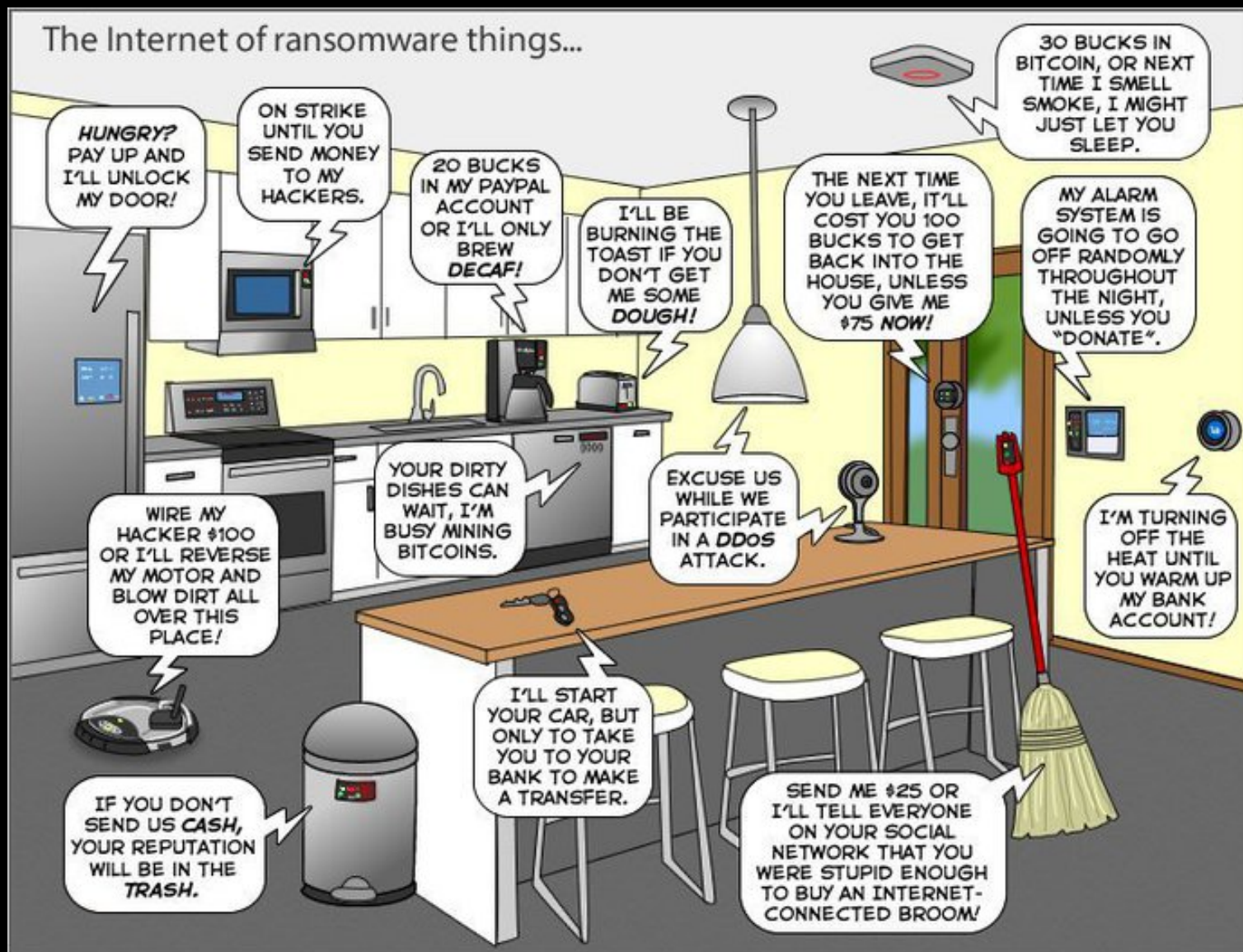
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- free software: just the 1st step to tech liberation.
- not everyone benefits from or can access technology.
- real-world solutions, not techno-optimism.



examples of free software initiatives

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MediaWiki and
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Public Money,
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Firefox and Tor



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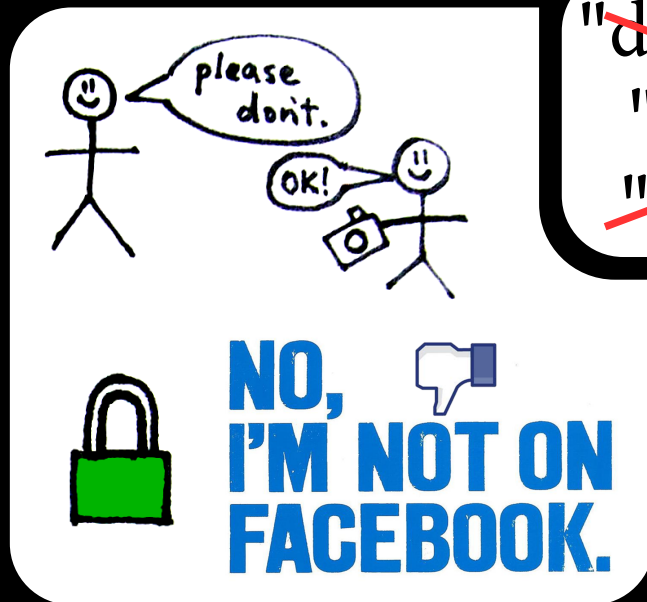
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- help others use free software
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- write or test free software
- document or translate free software
- donate to free software projects
- host free software on your servers
- attend or host events about free software

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- Indigenous Australians
- ethnic minorities
- LGBTQI people
- people of religion
- people with illnesses or disabilities
- people on Centrelink
- victims of abuse or domestic violence
- people/organisations who have competition
- activists
- journalists
- lawyers
- whistleblowers
- citizens of an oppressive government
- political opposition or political dissidents

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~~"data is the new oil"~~
~~"privacy is dead"~~
~~"nothing to hide"~~



~~"Google it"~~
~~"let's Skype"~~
~~"Photoshop it"~~



- collectively protect everyone's information.
- reject statements that promote unjust power.
- be mindful of speech.
- engage politically. (vote, call MPs, campaign, ...)
- support organisations who fight for our digital rights.

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