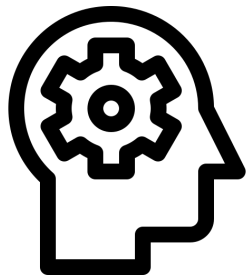


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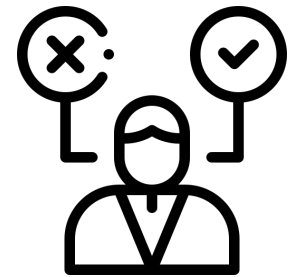
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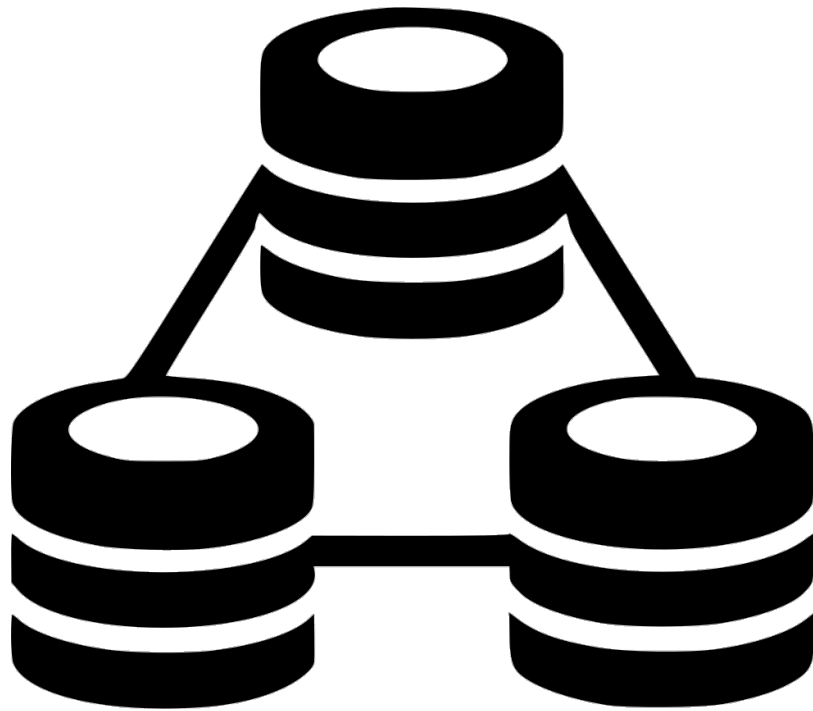
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Targeted advertising



Decision making



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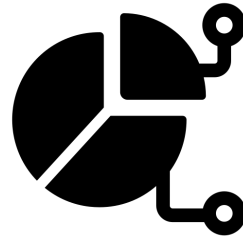
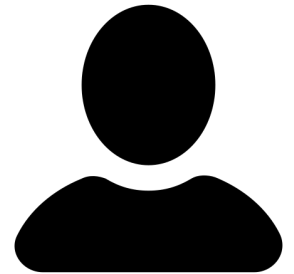


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# Data trading

# Introduction



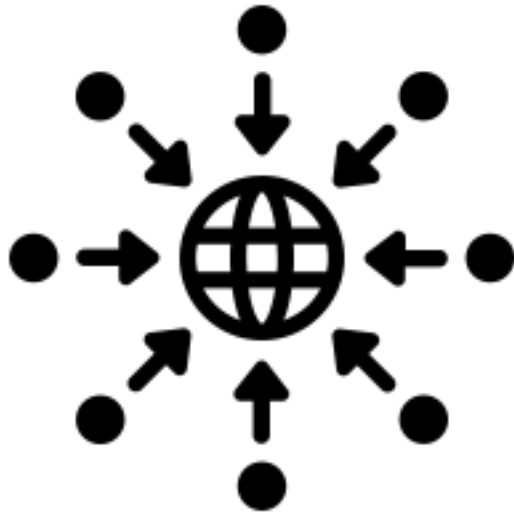
Data consumer

Data owner

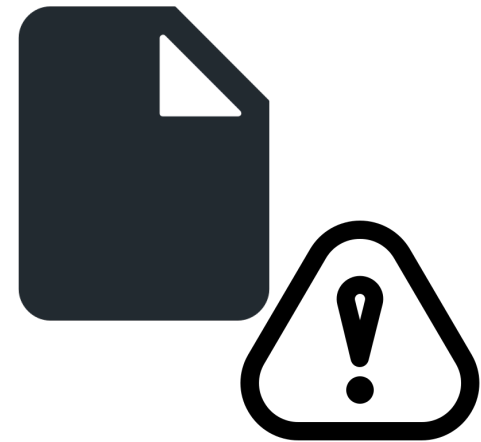
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# Introduction

Centralization



Low degree of control  
on shared data

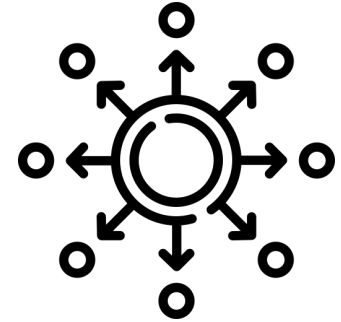


# Goals of DecentralTrading

## DecentralTrading



Full decentralization



Usage control  
inspired solution



Built upon  
existing Web  
standards



# Functionality

# DecentralTrading



Data Owner

Sets up a **personal online datastore**

Makes his resources available only for **medical** purposes

Gets a **remuneration** according to the **number of accesses**



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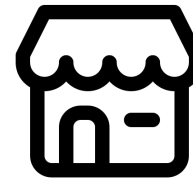


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Asks the market for a **web reference** to access resources

**Contacts** the personal datastore

Uses the retrieved resources on her **trusted device**

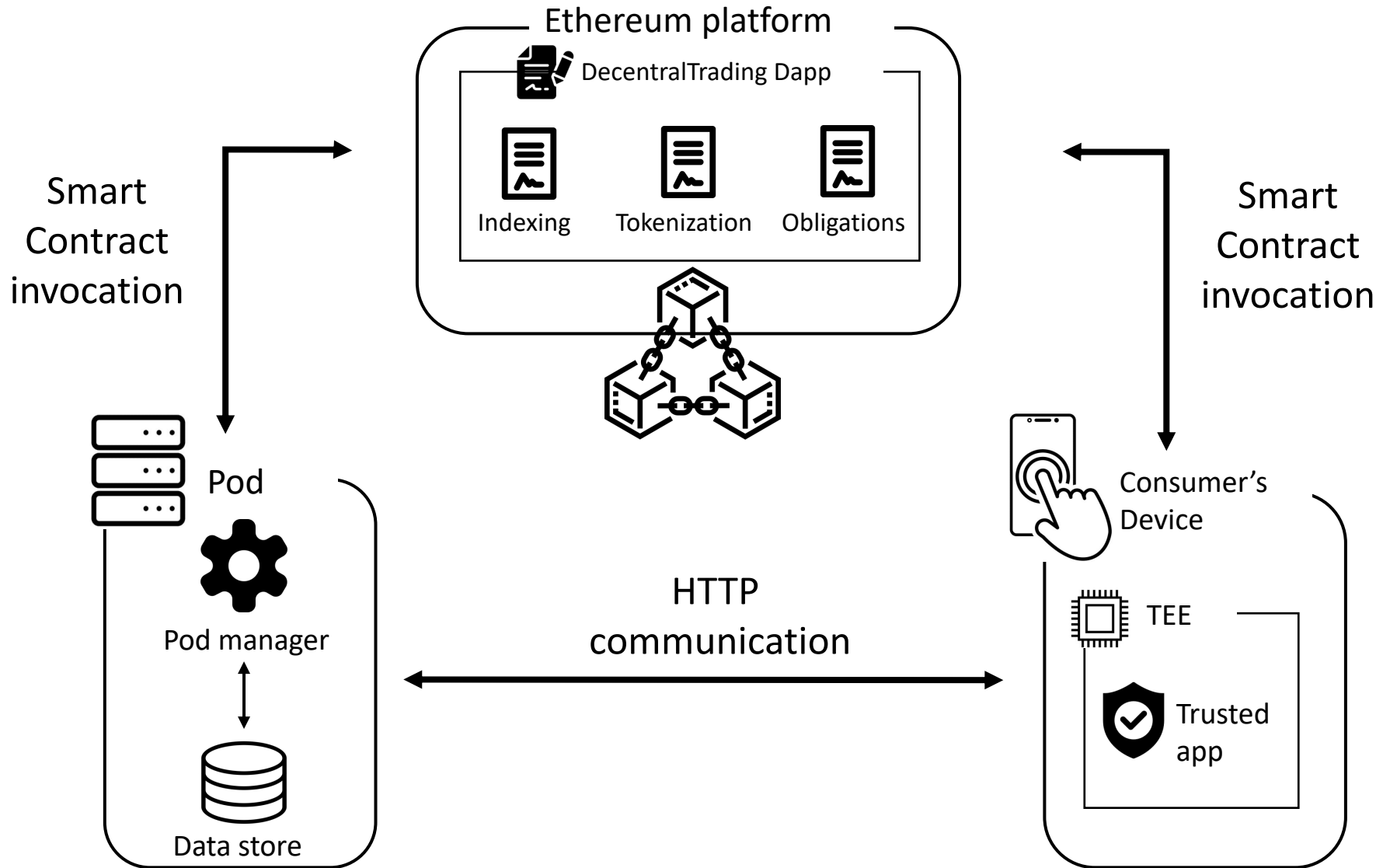


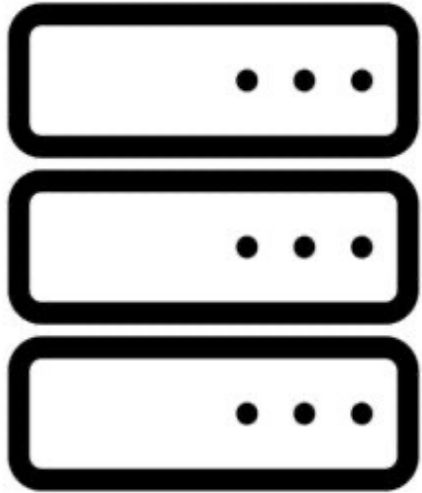
**Data Consumer**



# Architecture

# DecentralTrading





Data owners store shared resources in their **Personal Online Datastore**.

## Functionalities

Data storage



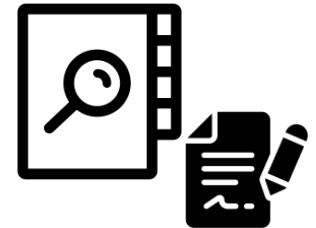
Pods initiation



Data provision

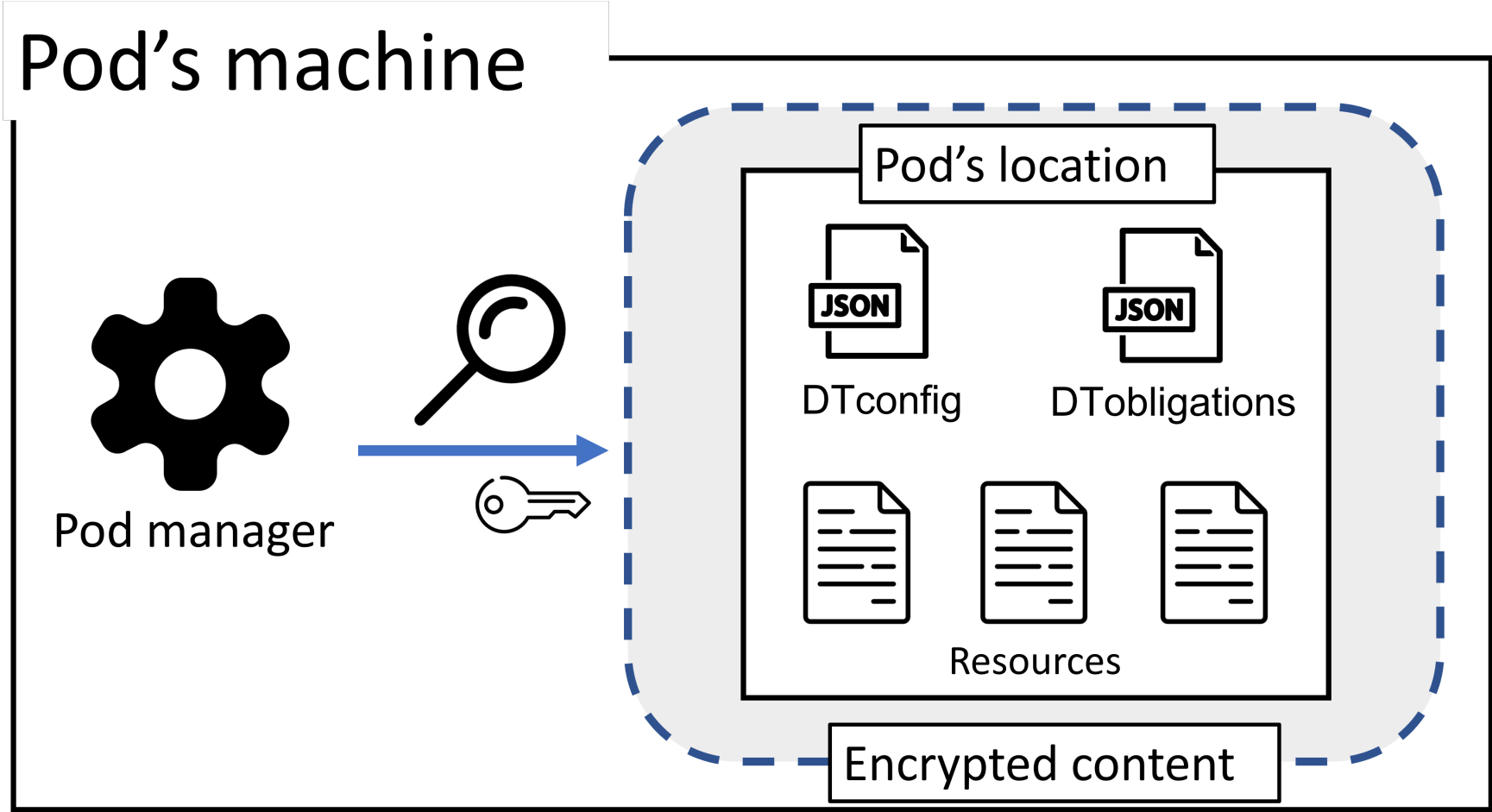


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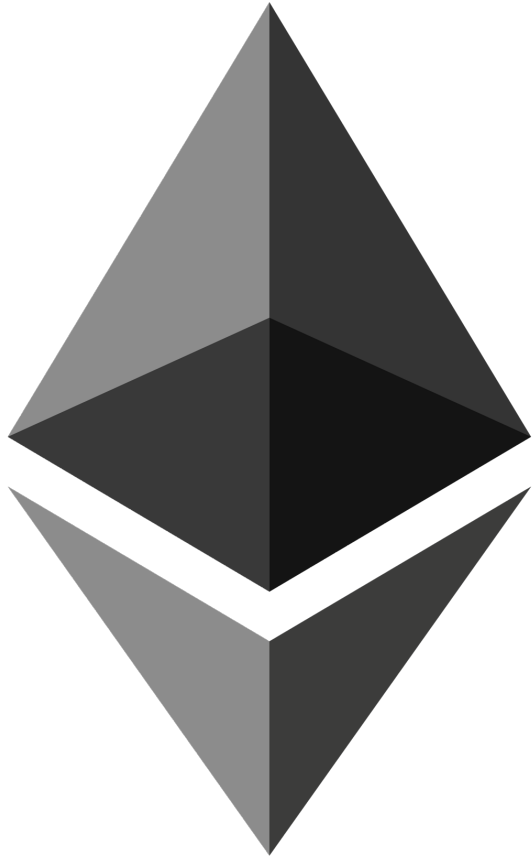


Obligations management





### Ethereum blockchain



Runs DecentralTrading's  
**smart contracts**



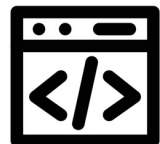
**Validates** and **supervises**  
exchange operations



Manages and verifies **user's**  
**rights**

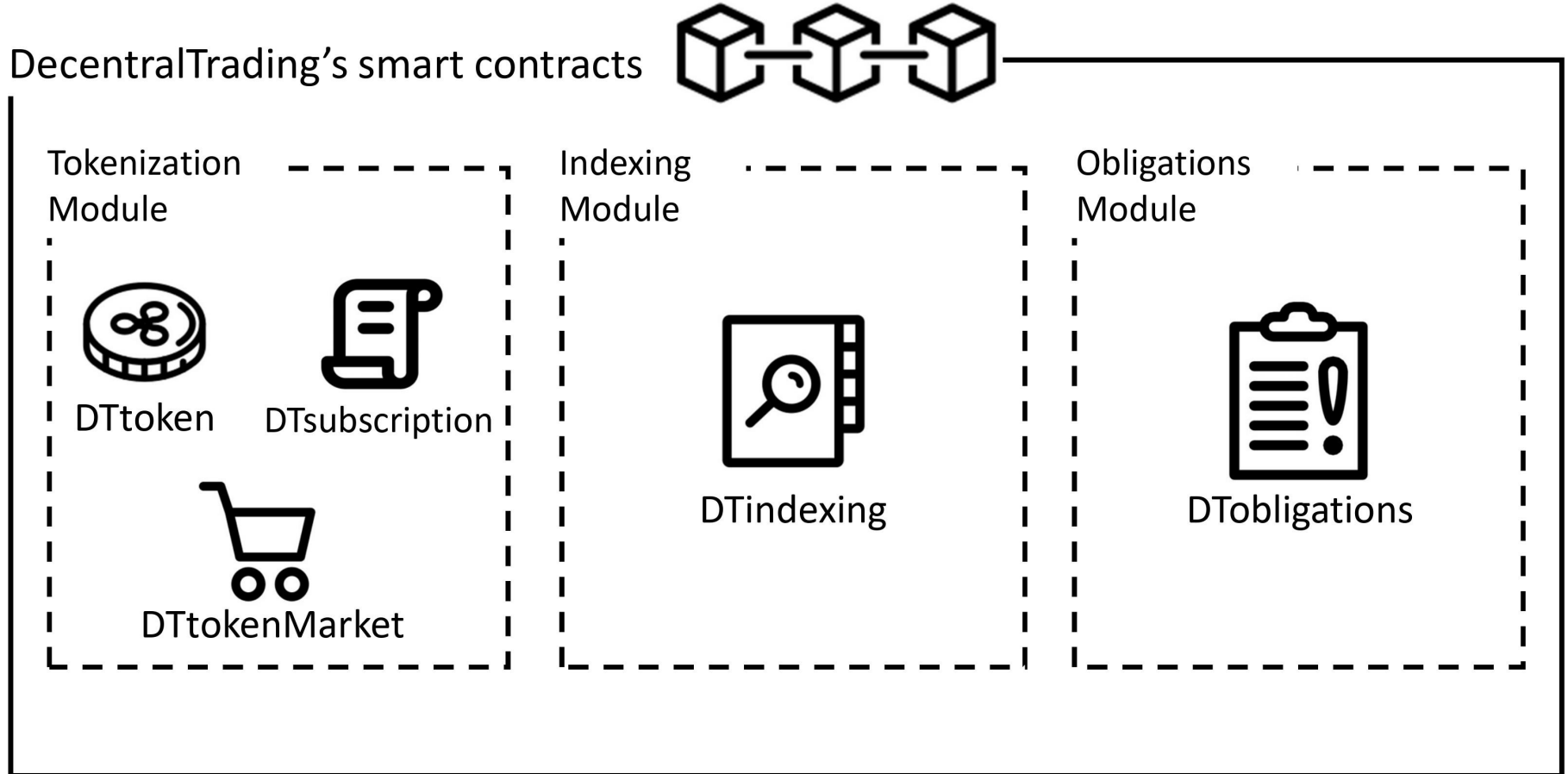


Records resources' **metadata**



# Modules and smart contracts

## On-chain components



# DTtoken

## On-chain components



### Remarkable functions



```
balanceOf()  
transfer()  
mint()
```

```
burn()  
approve()  
transferFrom()
```

What is it ? → A smart contract that manages a fungible token

What is it used for ? → to buy market's subscriptions

How is it implemented ? → ERC20

# DTtokenMarket

## On-chain components

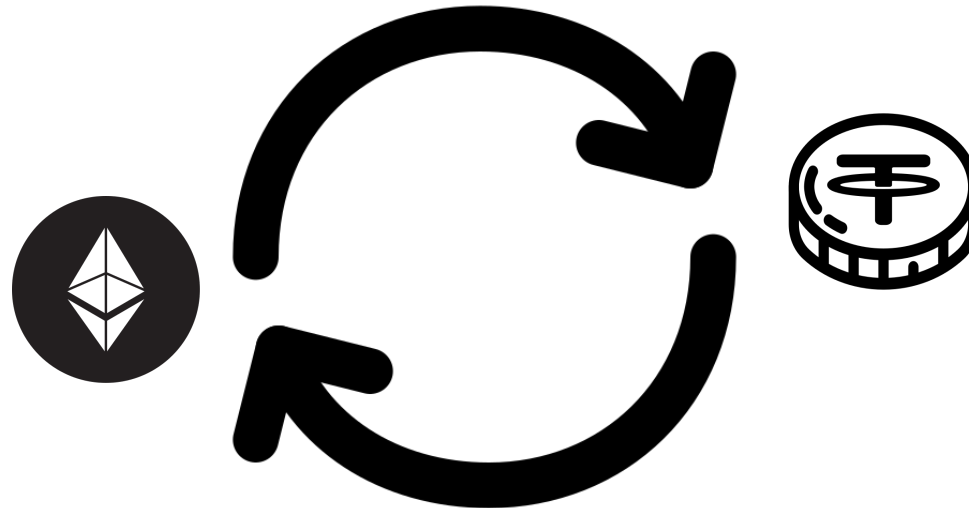


Remarkable function



```
buyTokens()
```

What is it ? → A smart contract to exchange ETH with DTtokens



# DTsubscription

## On-chain components



Remarkable function



```
purchaseSubscription()  
verifySubscription()
```

What is it ? → A smart contract that controls a non-fungible token

What is it used for ? → to represent the market membership

How is it implemented ? → ERC721

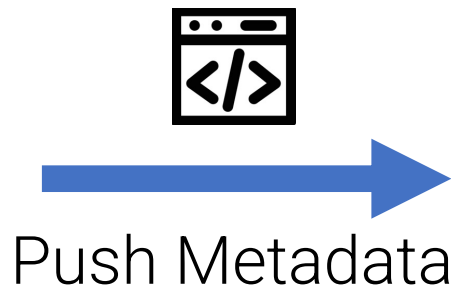


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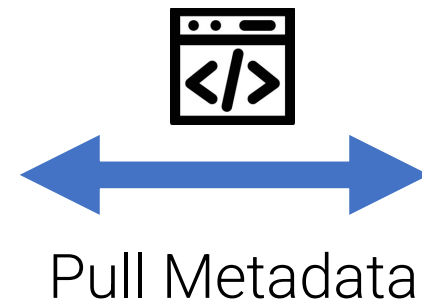
## On-chain components

Data owners' side

Data consumers' side



DTindexing



Remarkable functions



```
registerPod()  
registerResource()
```

Remarkable functions



```
getPodResources()  
getSocialPods()
```

# DTobligation

## On-chain components



The smart contract stores and represents **rules** concerning the **usage** of the resources

Remarkable functions



```
setDomainObligation()  
removeDomainObligation()
```

Access Counter obligation



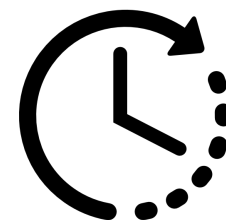
Country obligation



Domain obligation



Temporal obligation



# DTobligation instances

# On-chain components

DTobligation  
instance  
1



DTobligation  
instance  
2

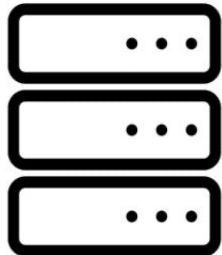


DTobligation  
instance  
3



On-chain

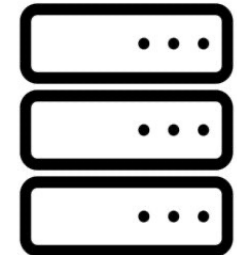
Off-chain



Pod 1



Pod 2



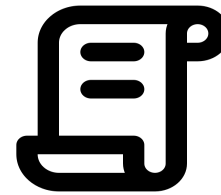
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# Data provision

# Pods



Ethereum



DTsubscription



HTTP  
POST REQUEST



Data Consumer's  
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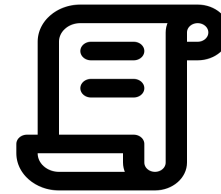
Pod manager

# Data provision

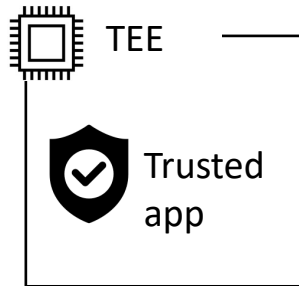
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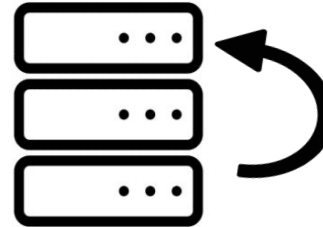


DTsubscription



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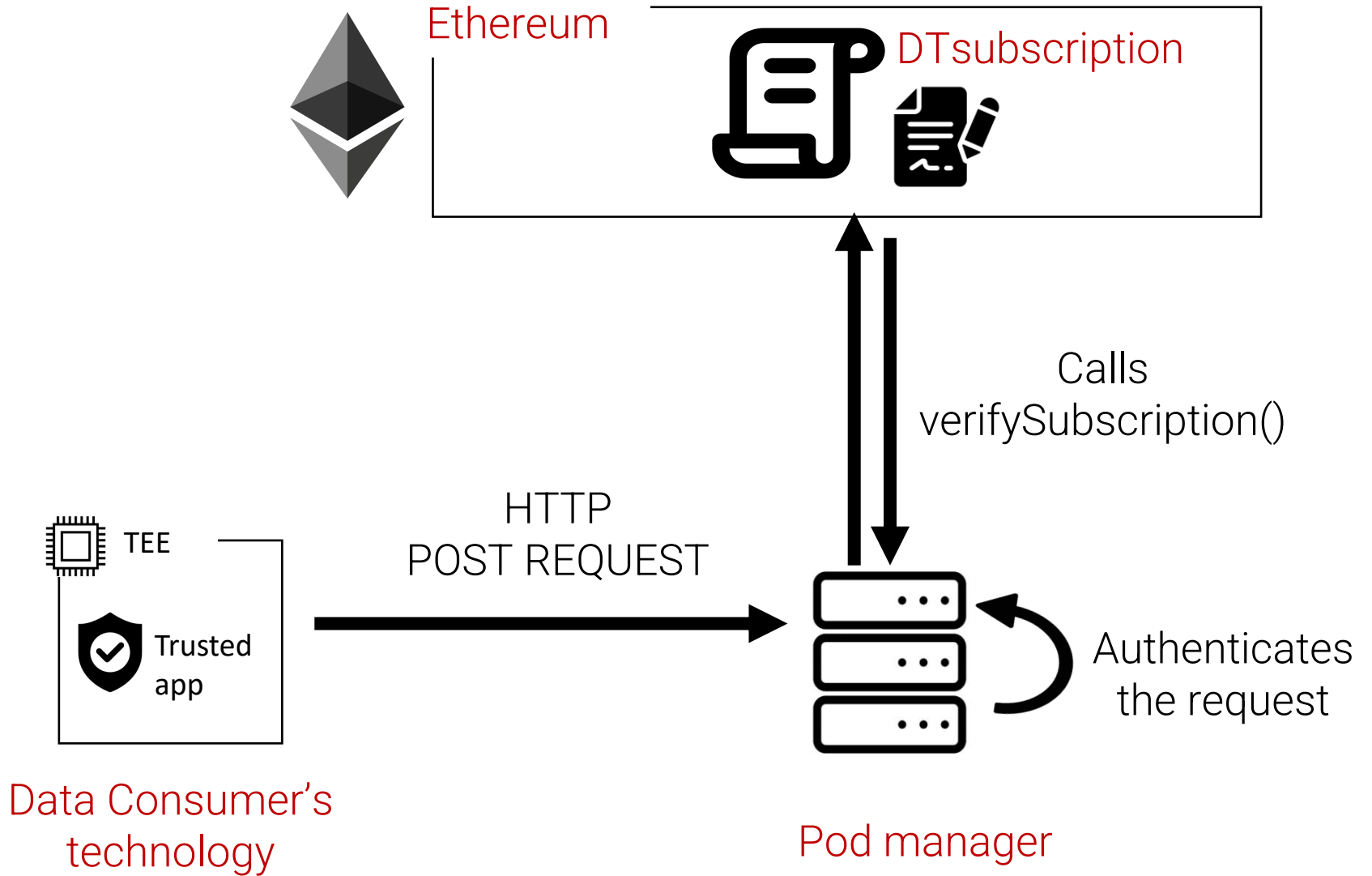


Authenticates  
the request

Pod manager

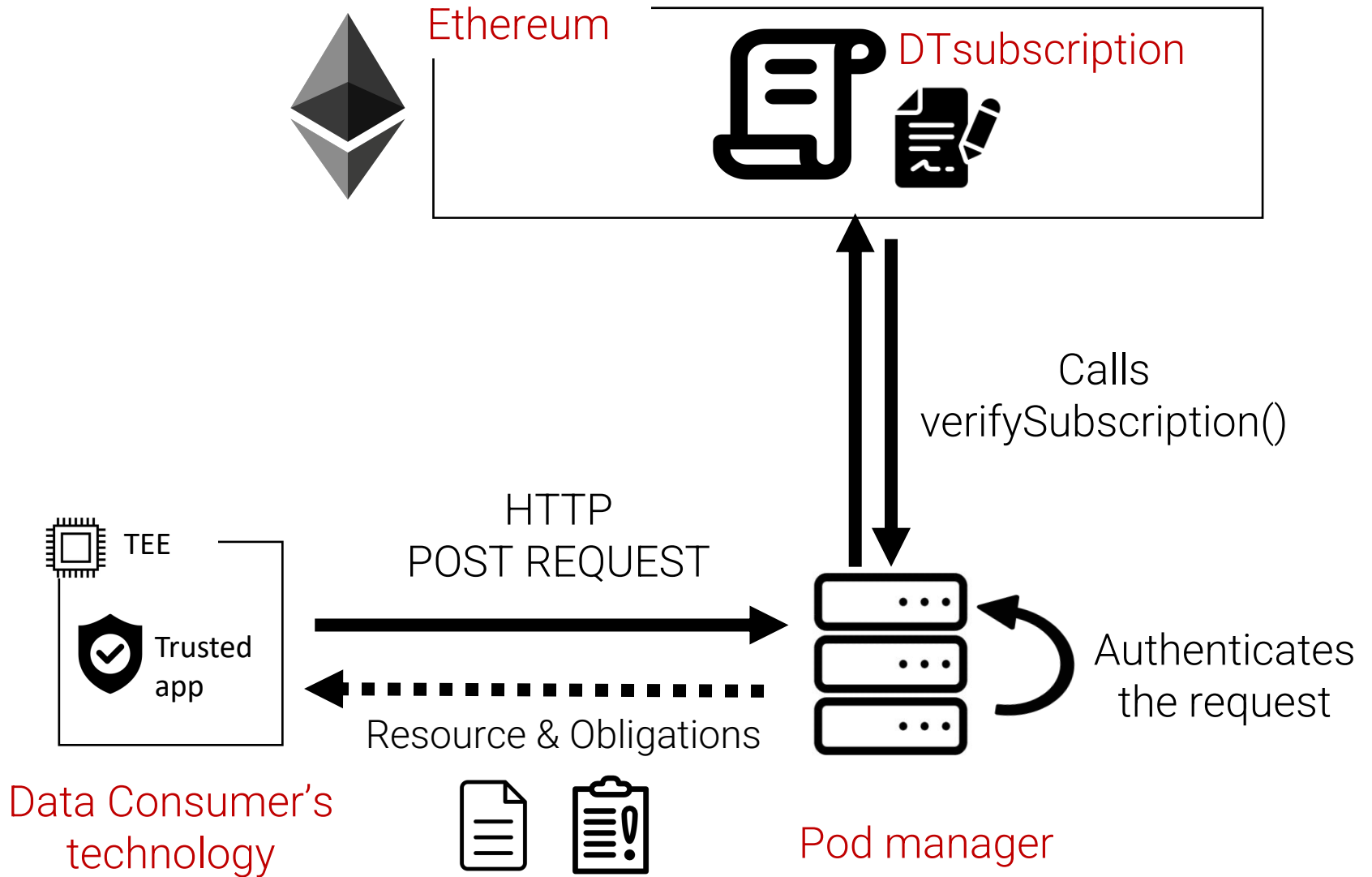
# Data provision

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# Data provision

# Pods



## HTTP parameters

auth\_token



Signature of a message  
obtained using an  
Ethereum private key

## Pods



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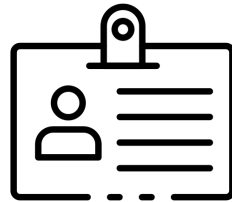
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Signature of a message  
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claimed\_identity



Ethereum public  
address

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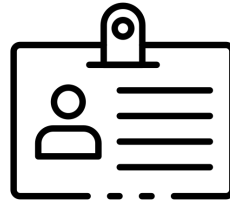
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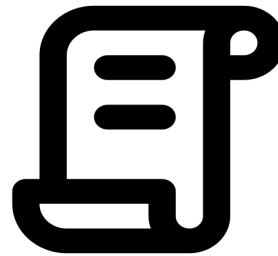
Signature of a message  
obtained using an  
Ethereum private key

claimed\_identity




Ethereum public  
address

subscription\_id



DTsubscription  
identifier

Encrypted with the user's private key 

folder/.../folder/Resource.extension ::\*:\* 1664558775  
Location of the resource in the pod      Separator      Rounded Unix epoch

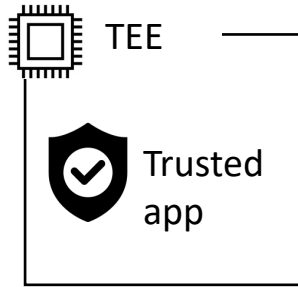
## Remarkable functions



```
web3.eth.account.sign_message(unsigned_msg,private_key)
```

```
web3.eth.account.recover_message(unsigned_msg,signature)
```

# Authentication



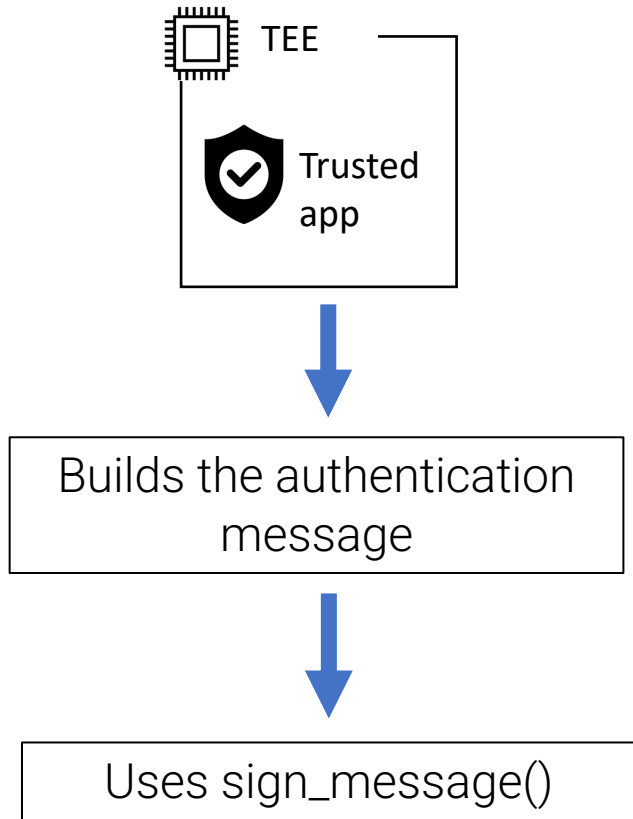
Builds the authentication message

# Pods

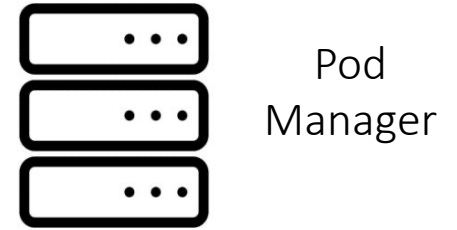


Pod  
Manager

# Authentication

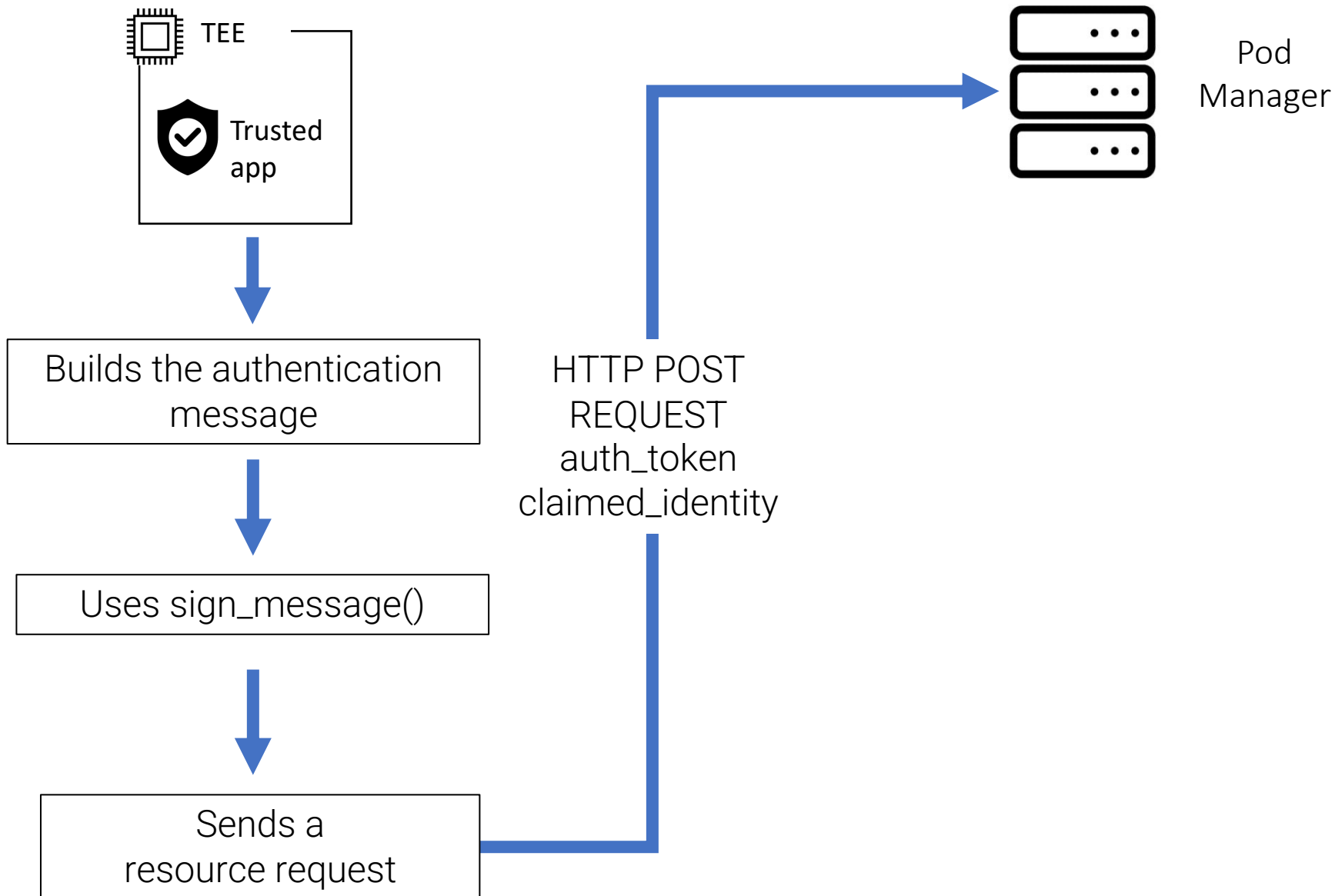


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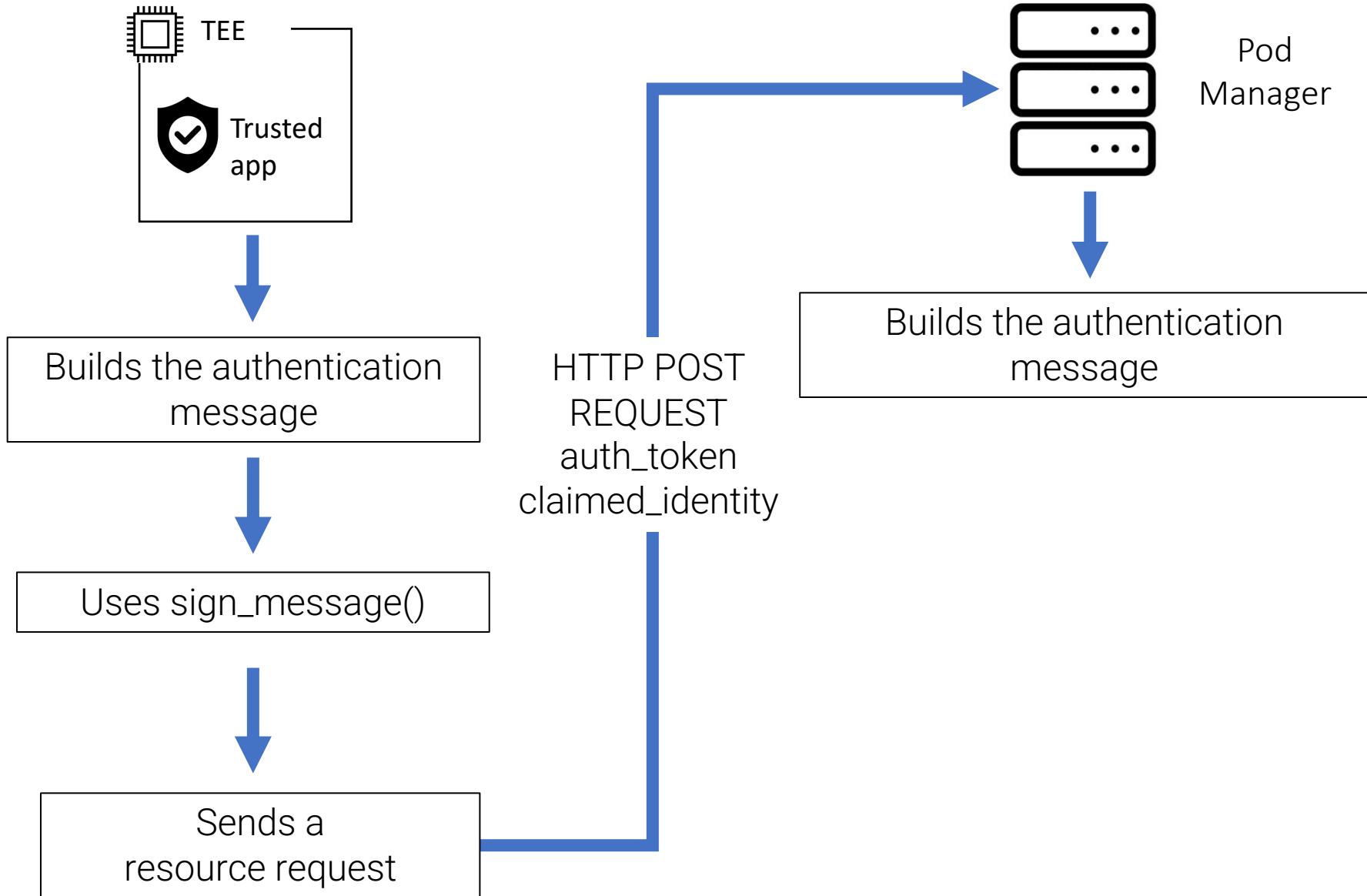
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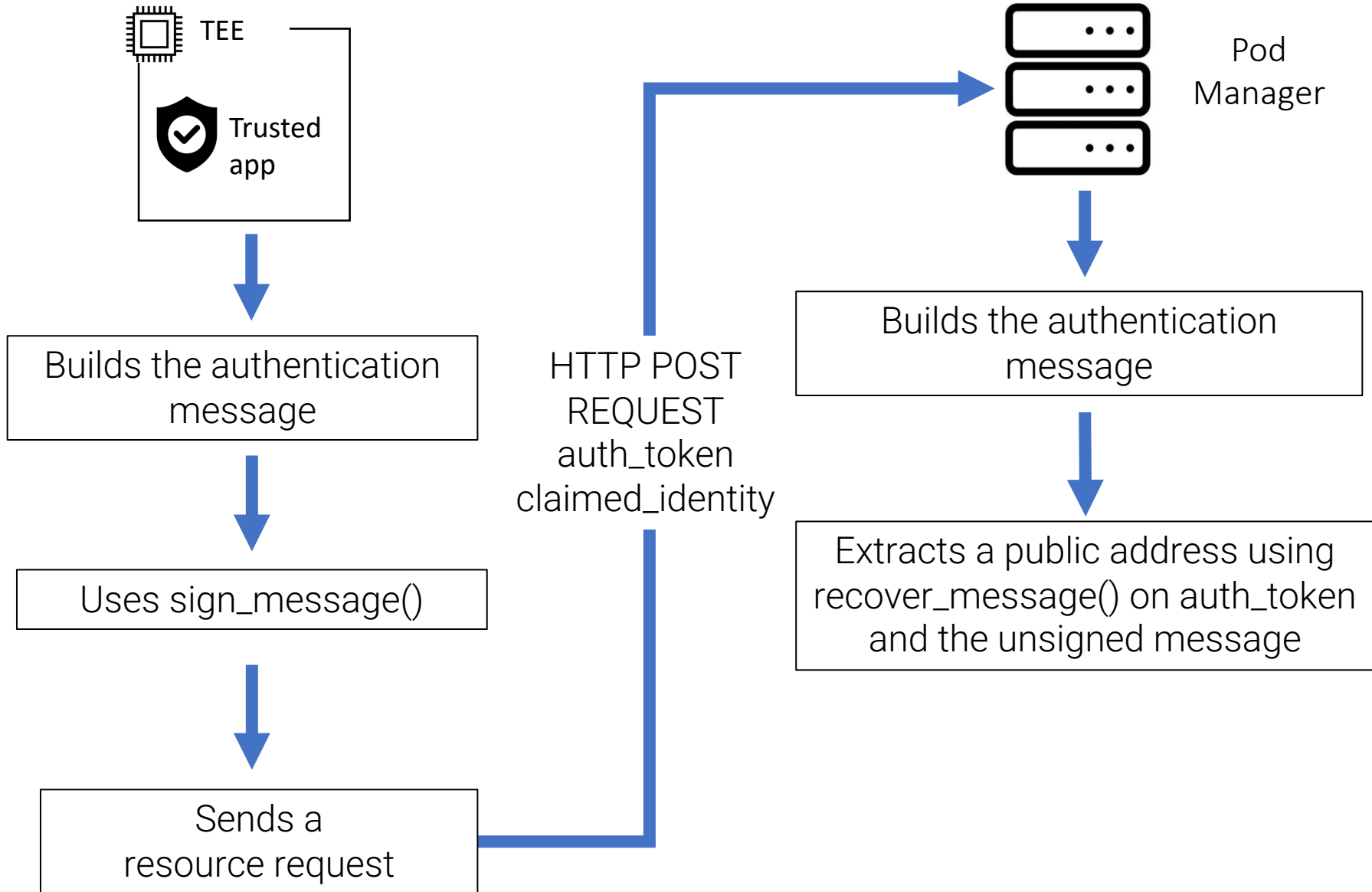
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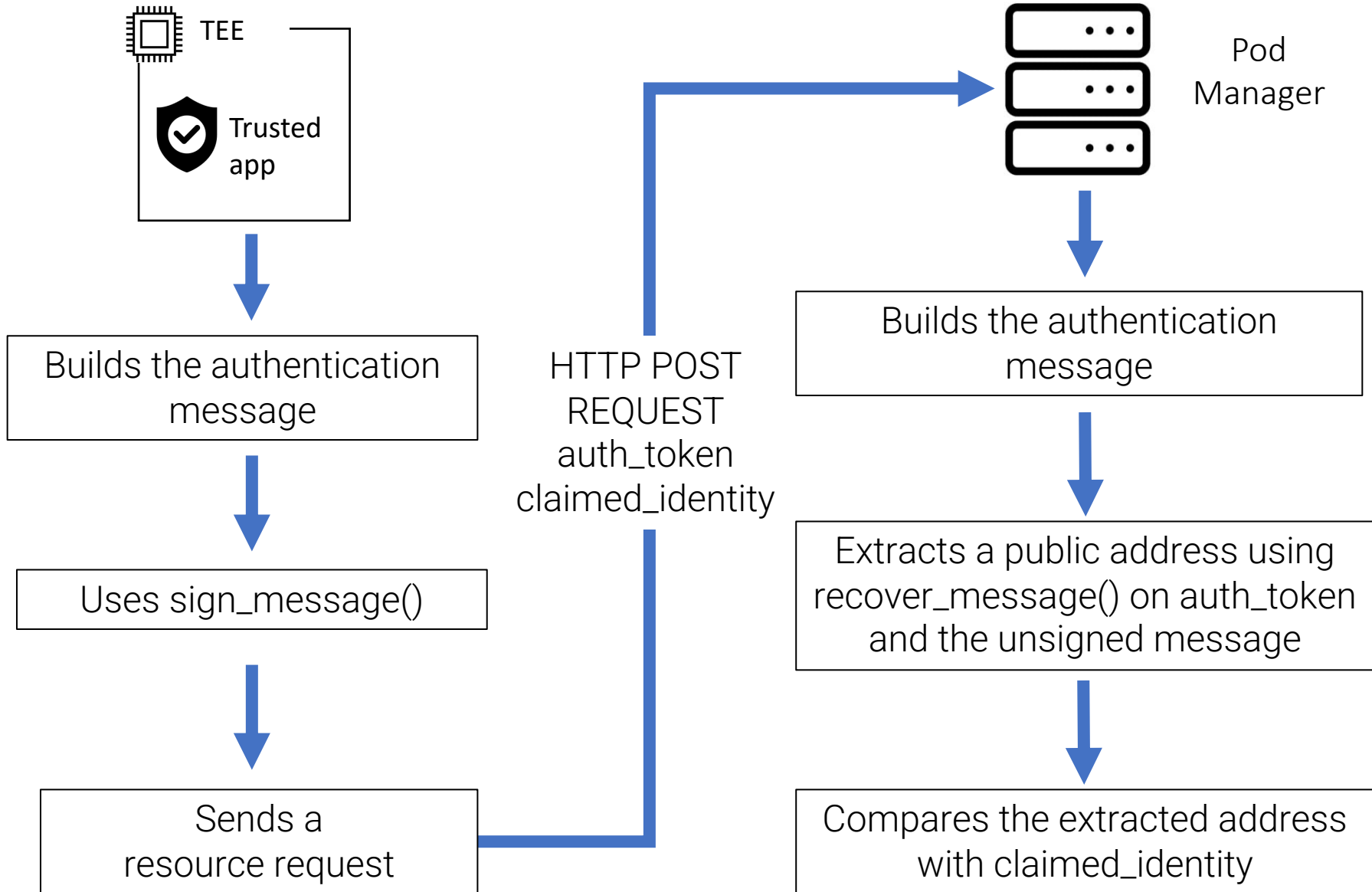
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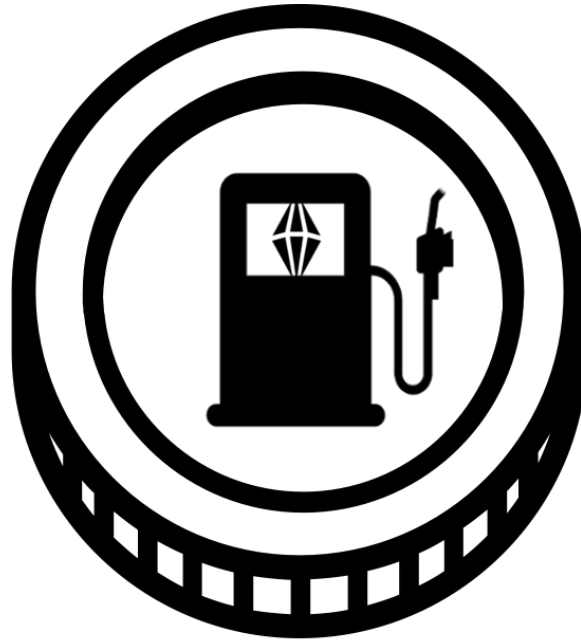
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# Pods



**Subject of the evaluation**

**Evaluation**



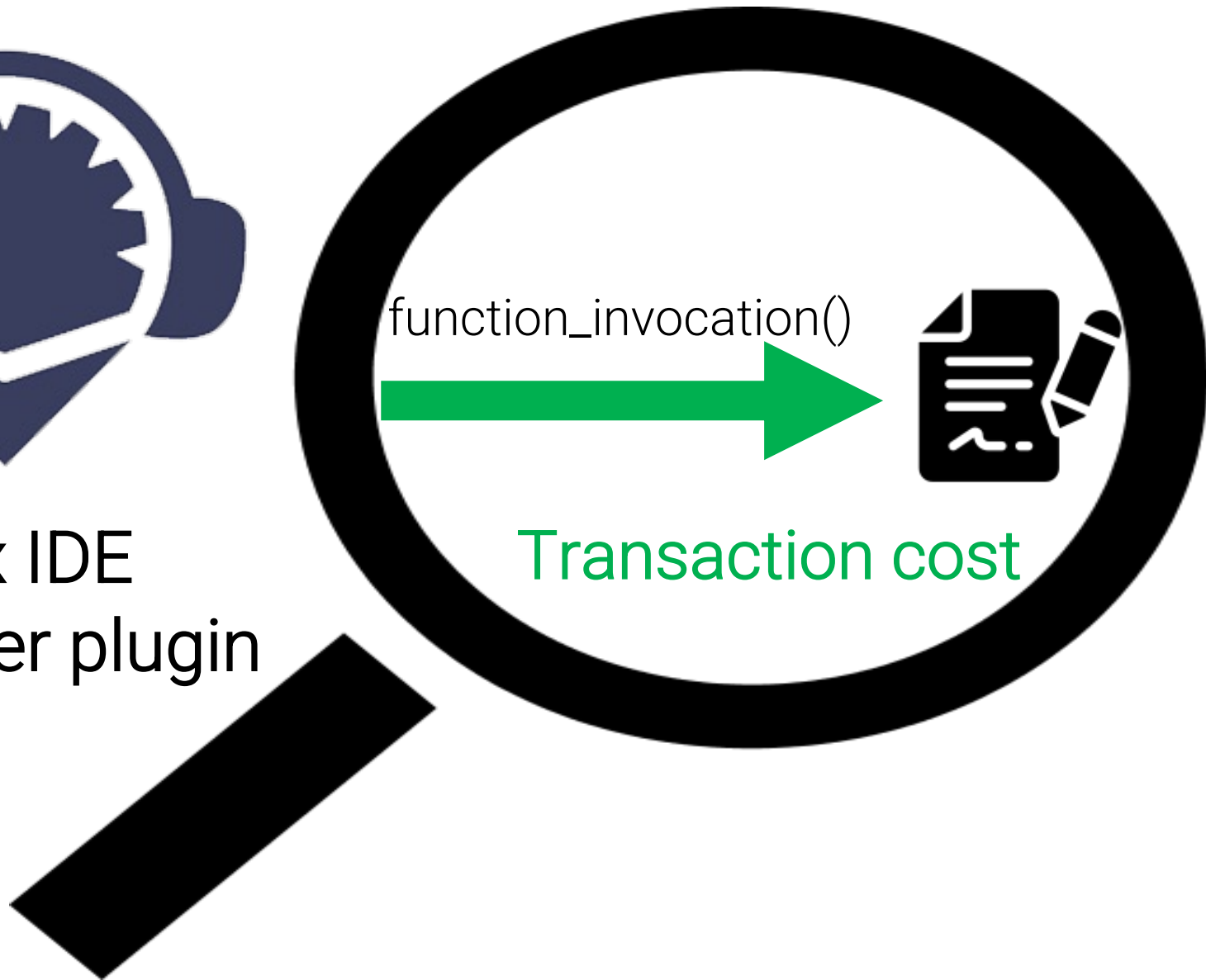
Gas

# Methodology

# Evaluation



Remix IDE  
Gas Profiler plugin



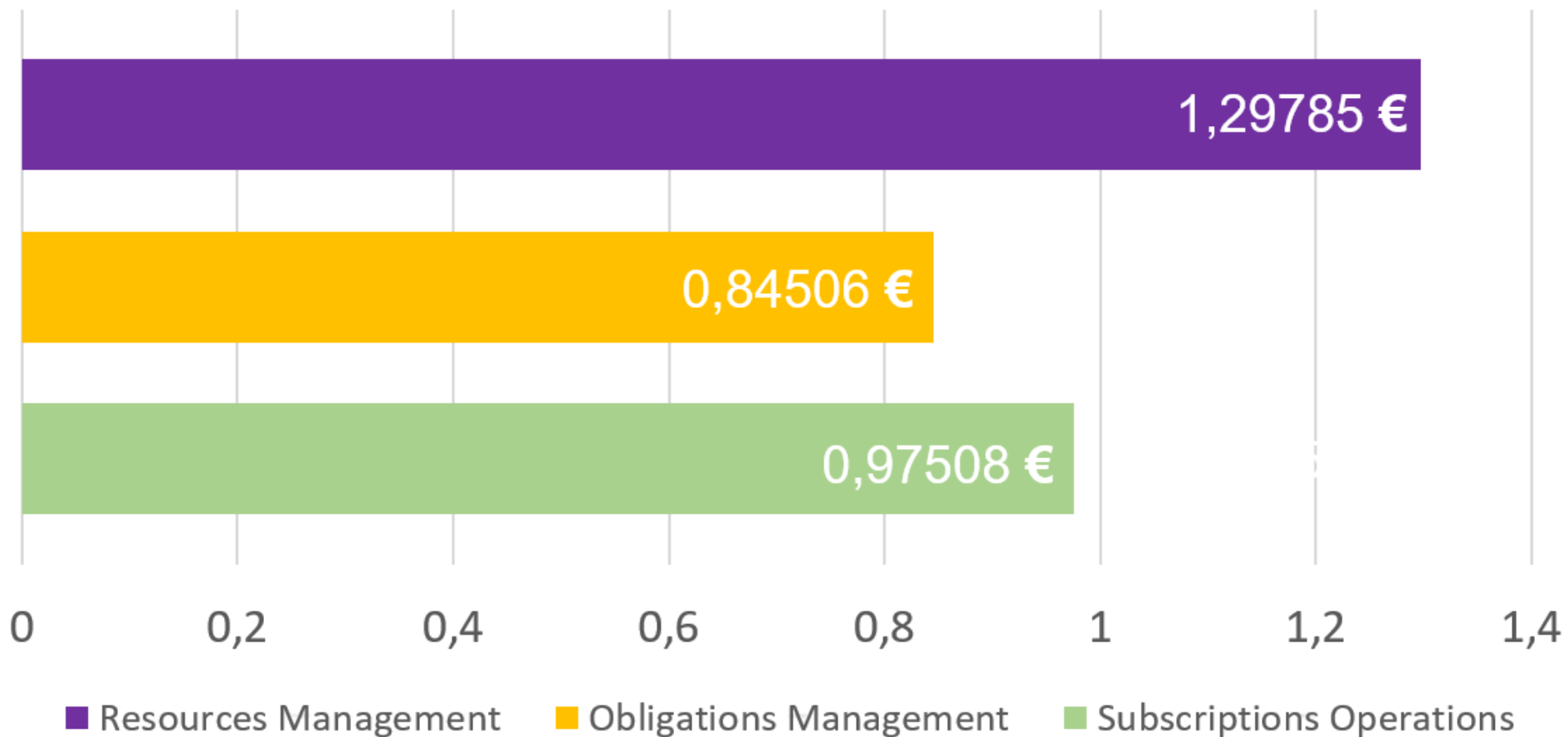
# Methodology

# Evaluation

Function	Cost (Gas)	Target User
deployment	1623406	Service Providers
mint()	37640	Service Providers
burn()	36730	Service Providers
transfer()	36811	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers
transferFrom()	45752	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers
increaseAllowance()	46000	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers
decreaseAllowance()	15828	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers
allowance()	-	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers
balanceOf()	-	Service Providers, Data Owners, Data Consumers

Results table for the DTtoken smart contract

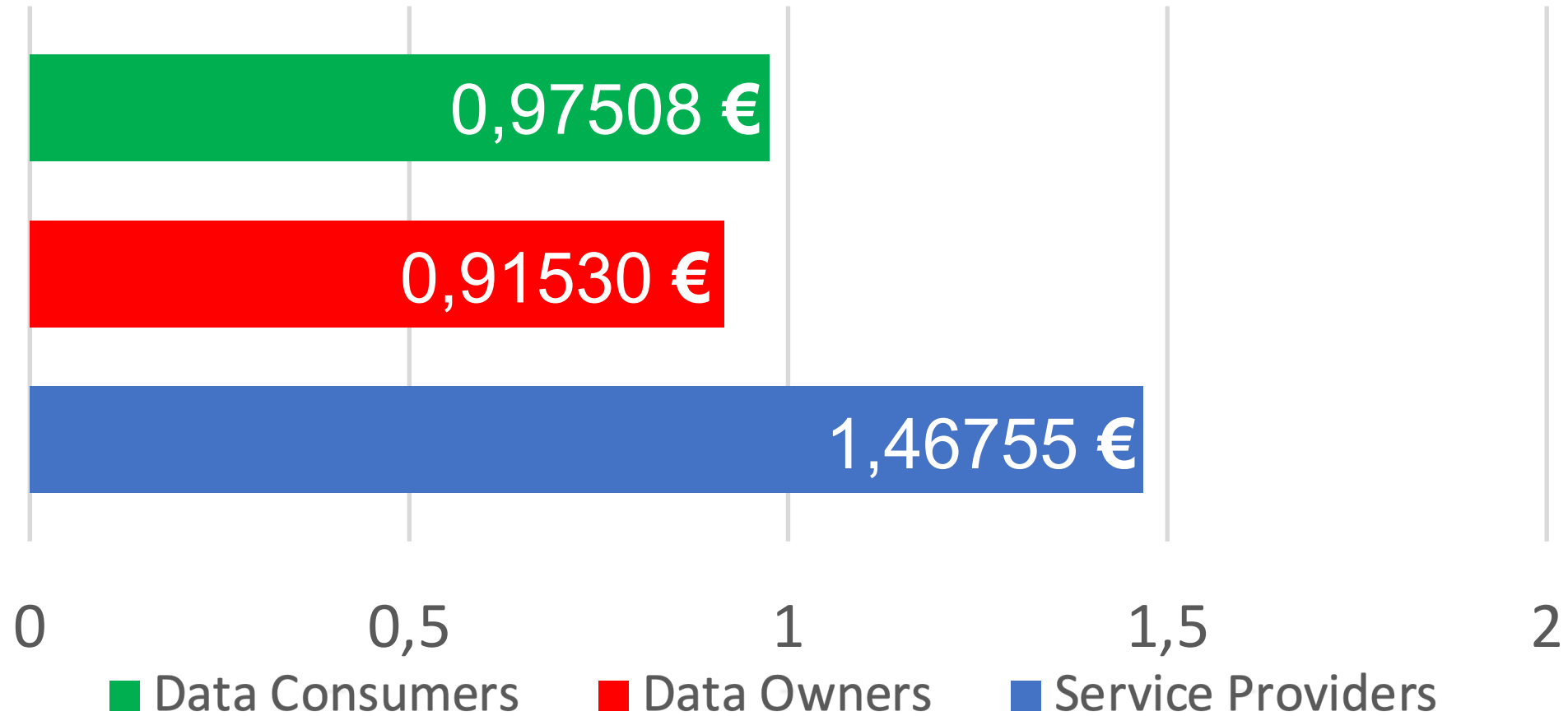
Average per invocation expense (EUR)



# General results

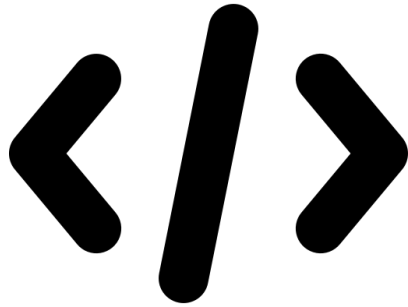
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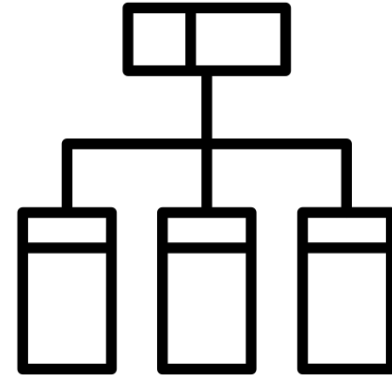


# How to reduce costs for users ?

# Conclusion

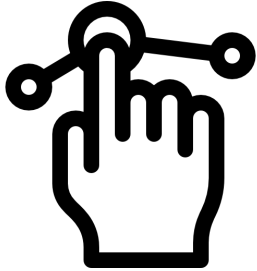


On-chain code  
optimization



Architecture  
alternatives

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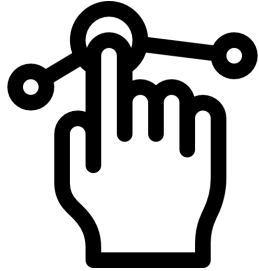


## Conclusion

System  
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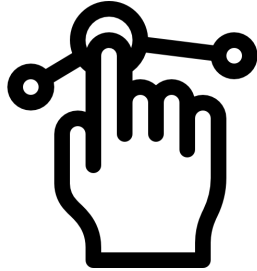
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