Architecture Problems are People Problems

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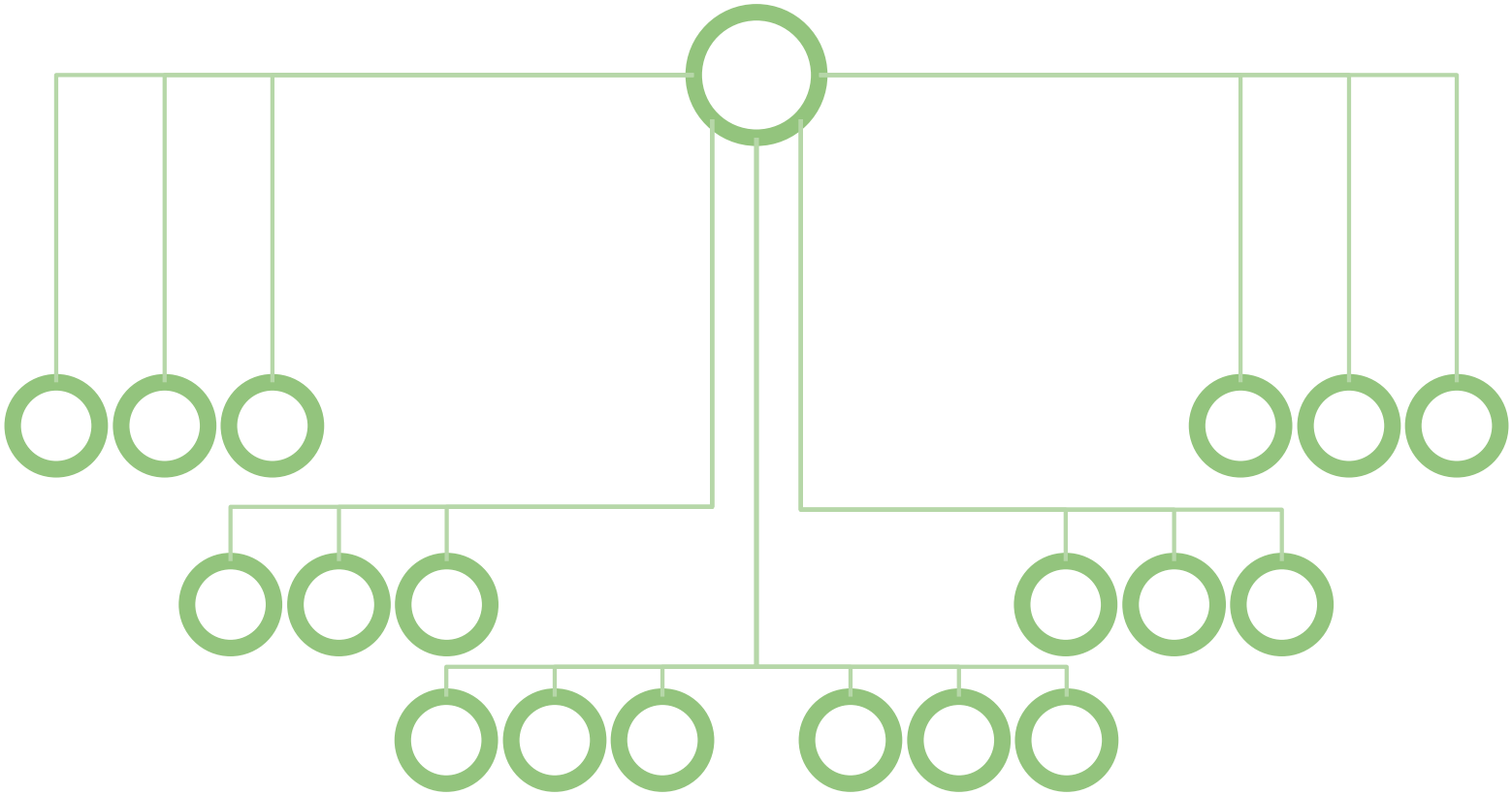
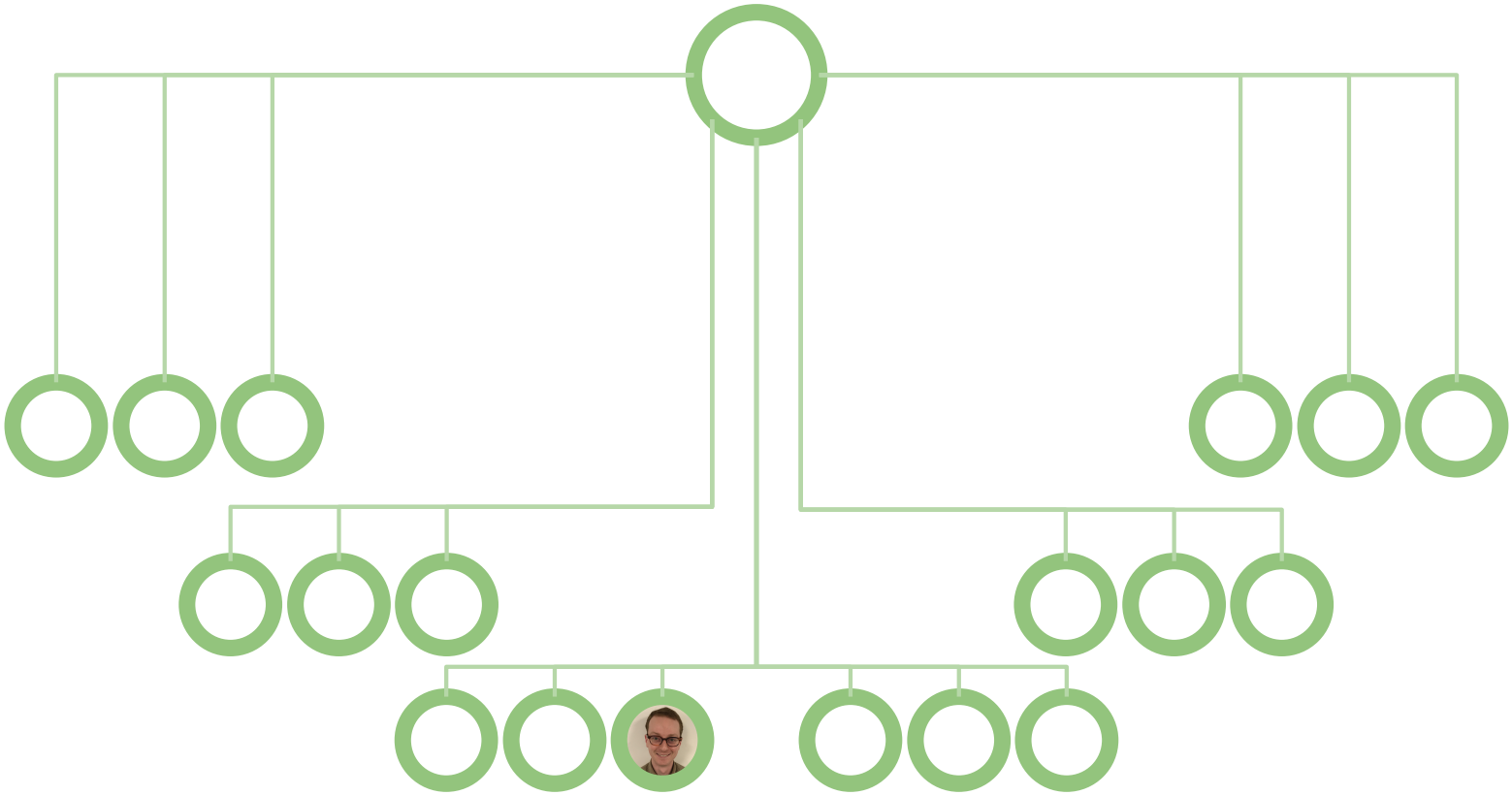
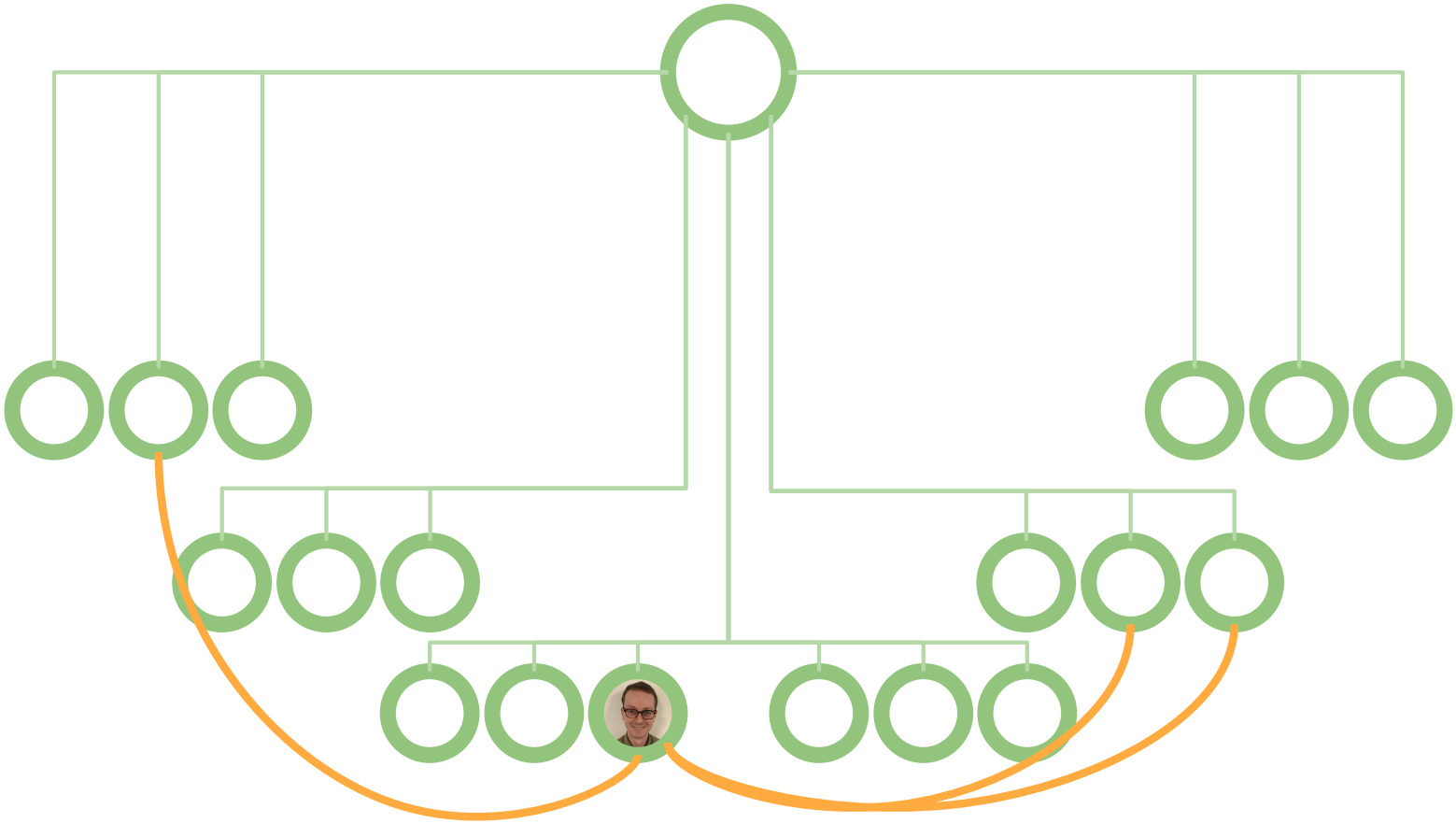
Architecture is…

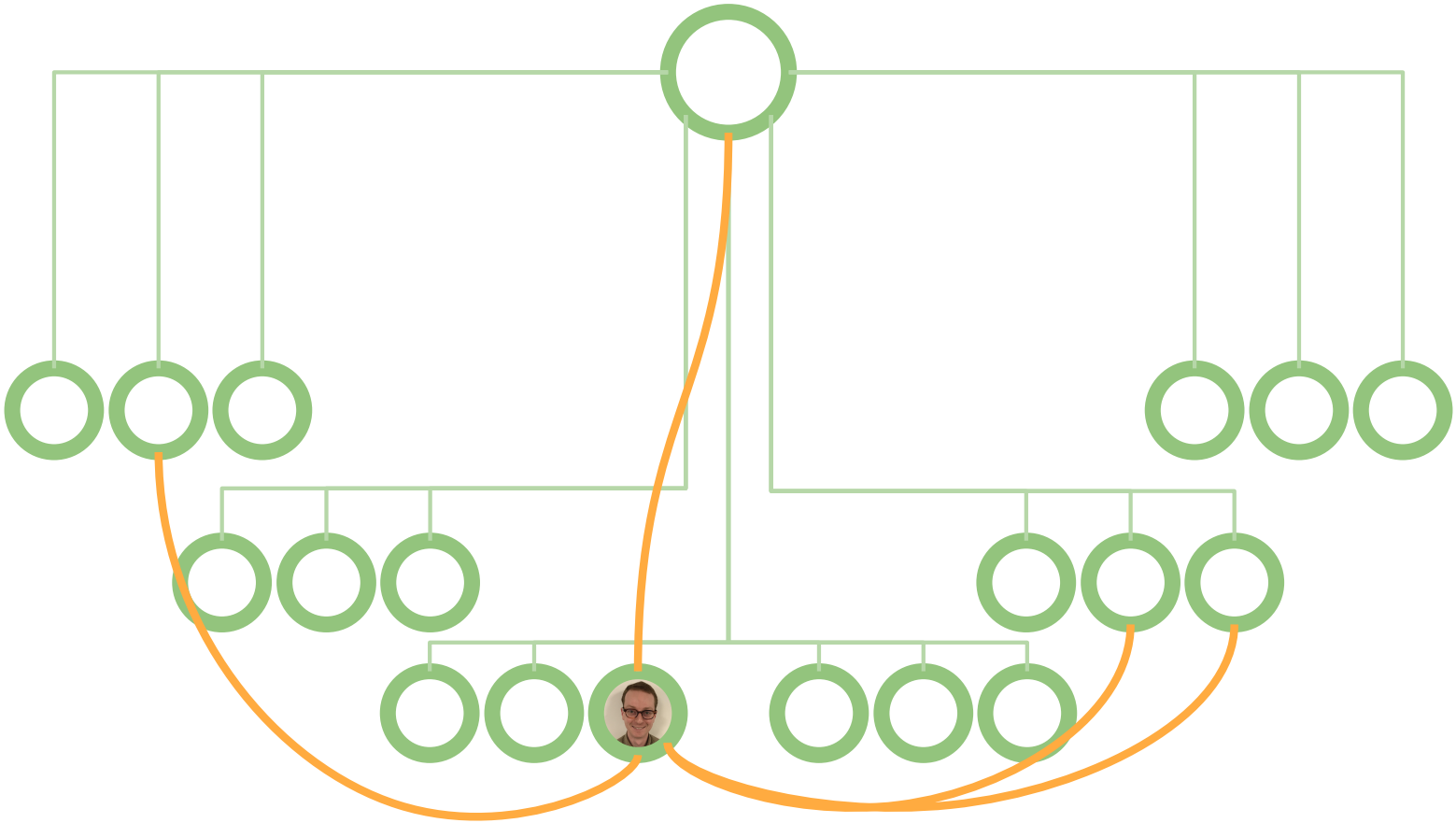
- Rendering templates into markup
- Communicating with a database
- What language you write in
- MVC framework
- Caching layer
- Logging

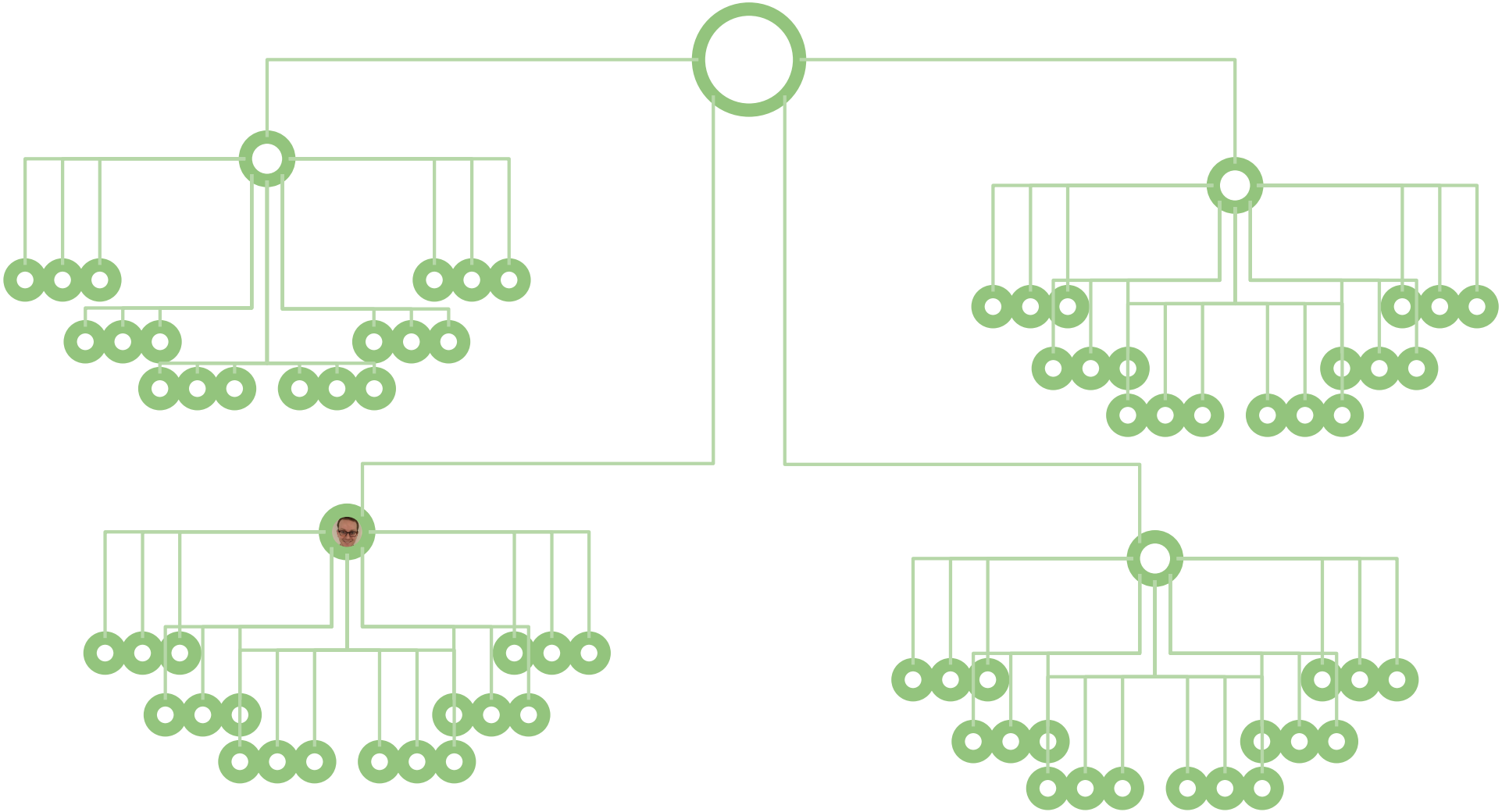
Architecture is
how you do things

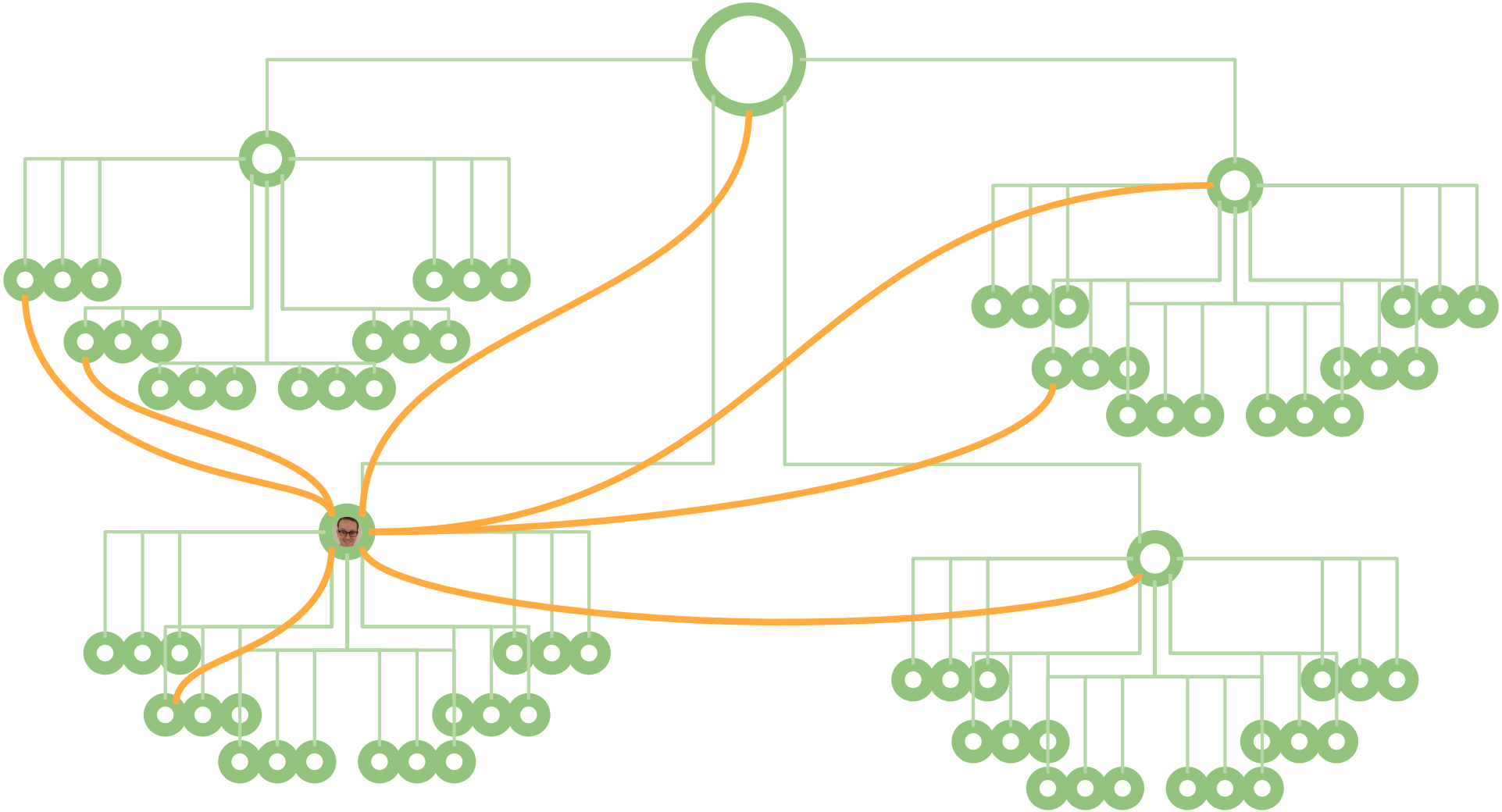


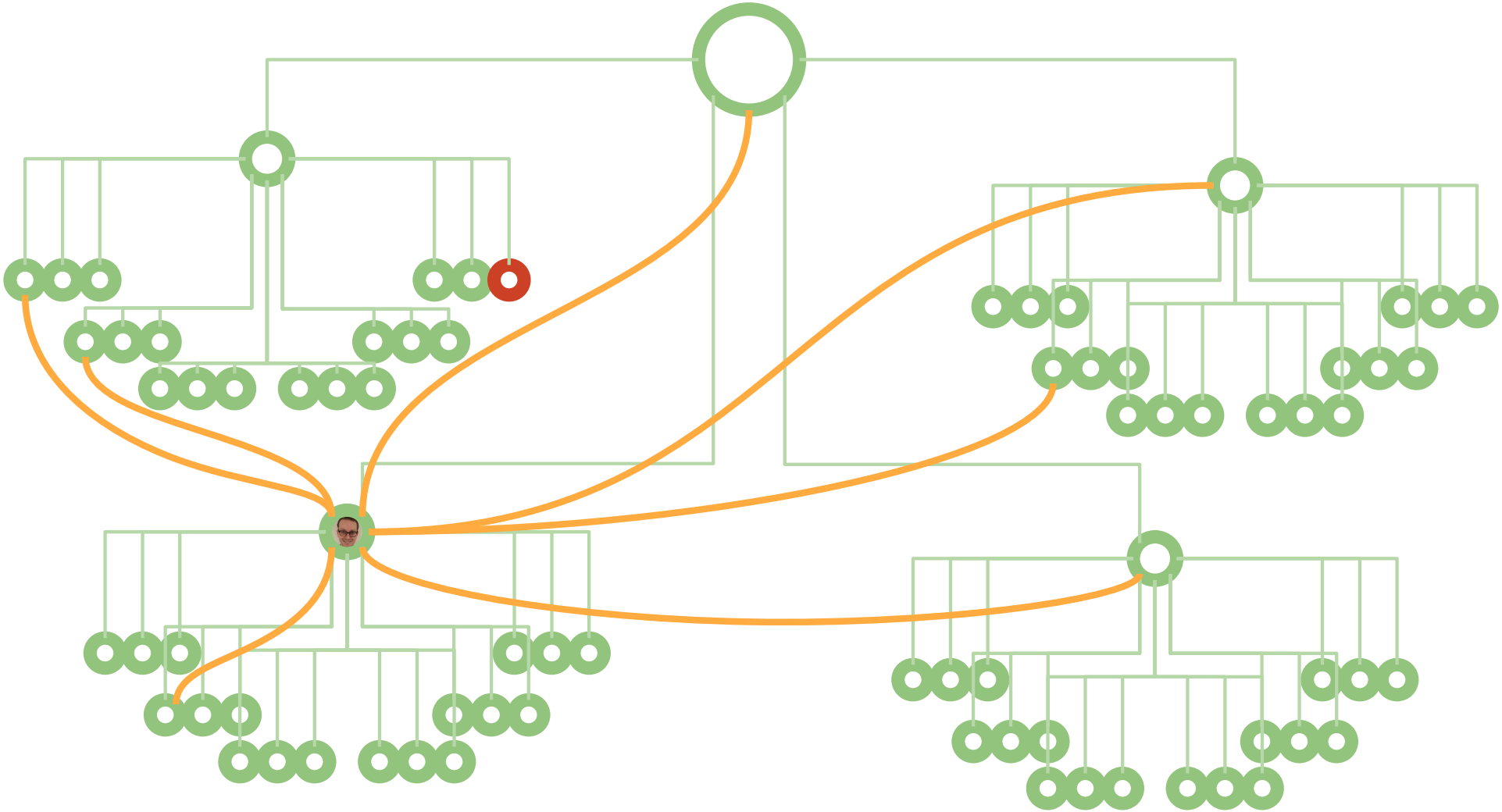


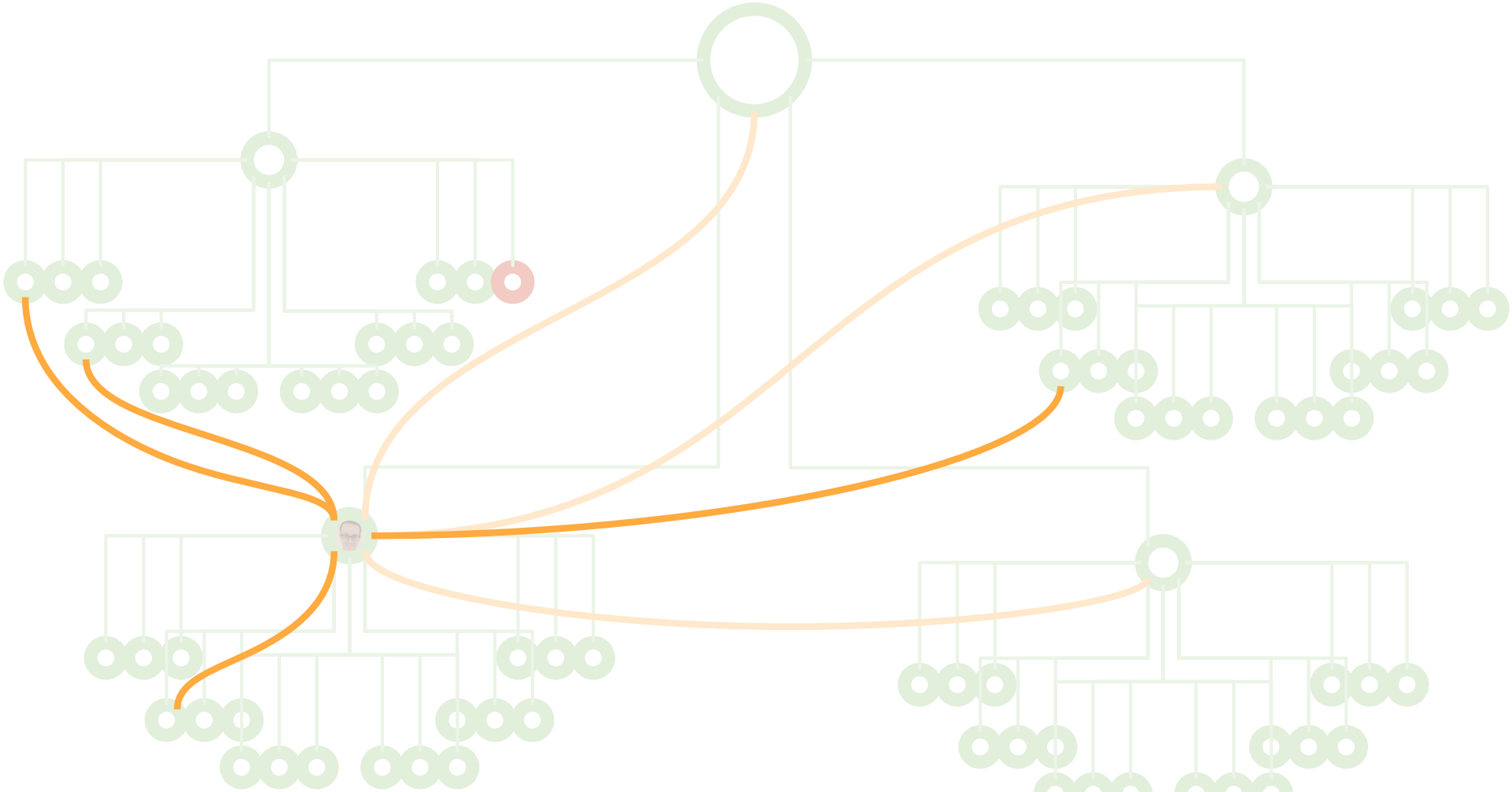












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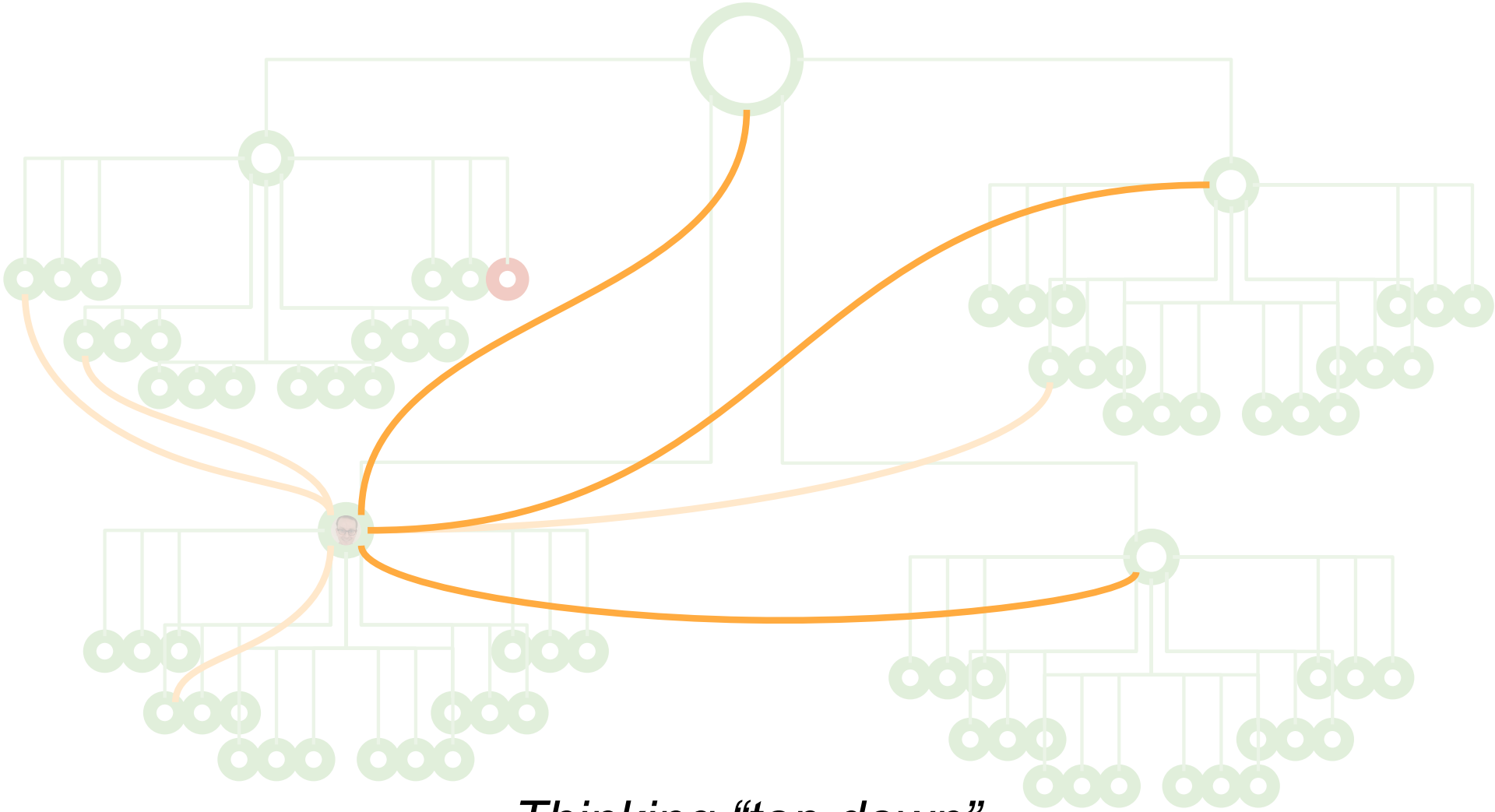

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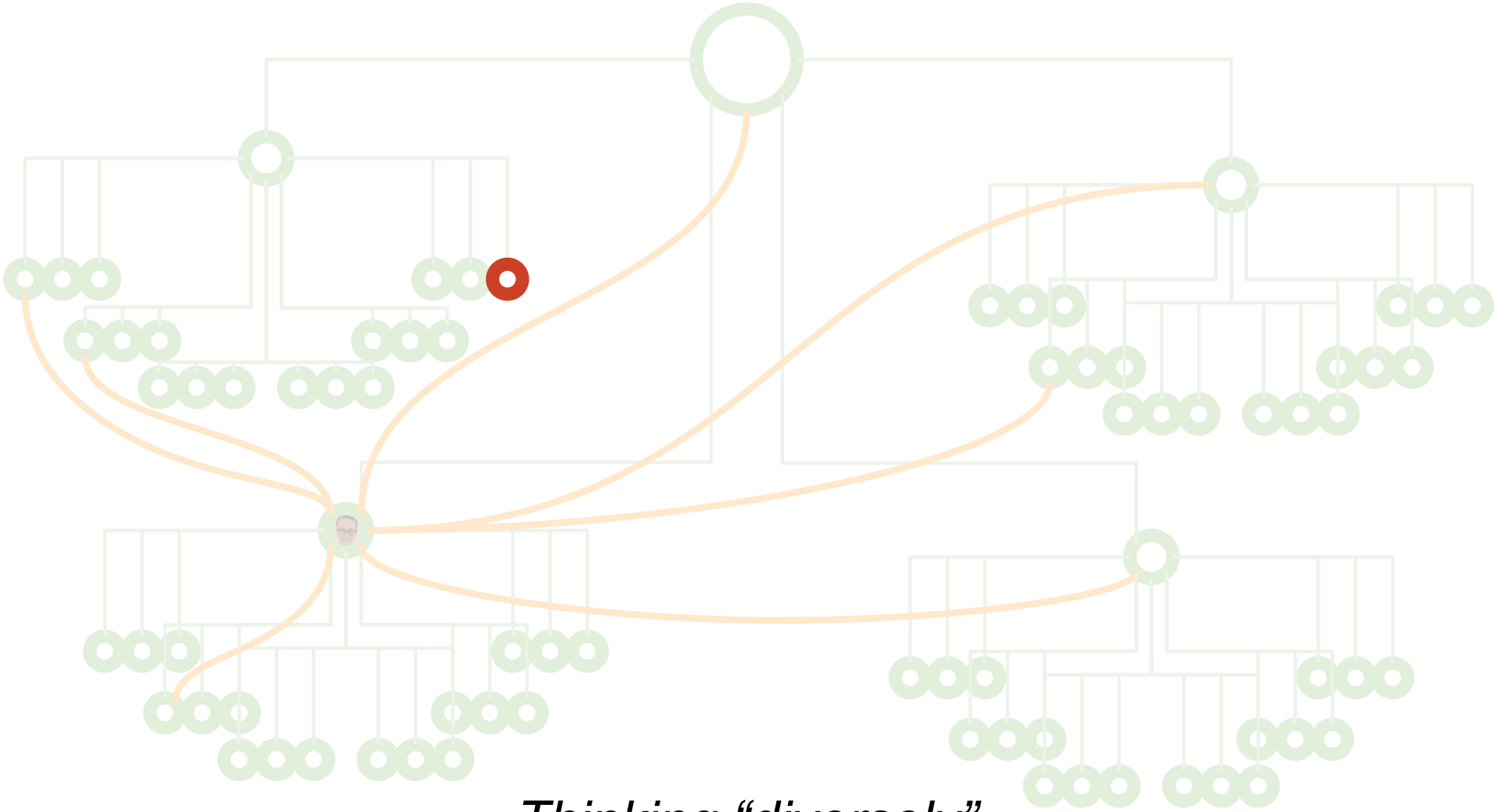

Thinking “diversely”

Enter:
Working Groups

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Identify a problem without a clear owner

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Define a decision-making process

Engage the masses

Engage them regularly

Working Groups are...

- Transparent
- Authoritative
- Accountable

Do Working Groups…
have leaders?

Do Working Groups…
work?