

# The Pattern, Not the Tool

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**I built a tool that codes while I sleep – new update makes it even smarter** zzz ⚡

# Underneath every tool

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## The Engine

What you talk to

2

## The Practice

How you work with it

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## The Engine

What you talk to

**What you're actually  
talking to**

2

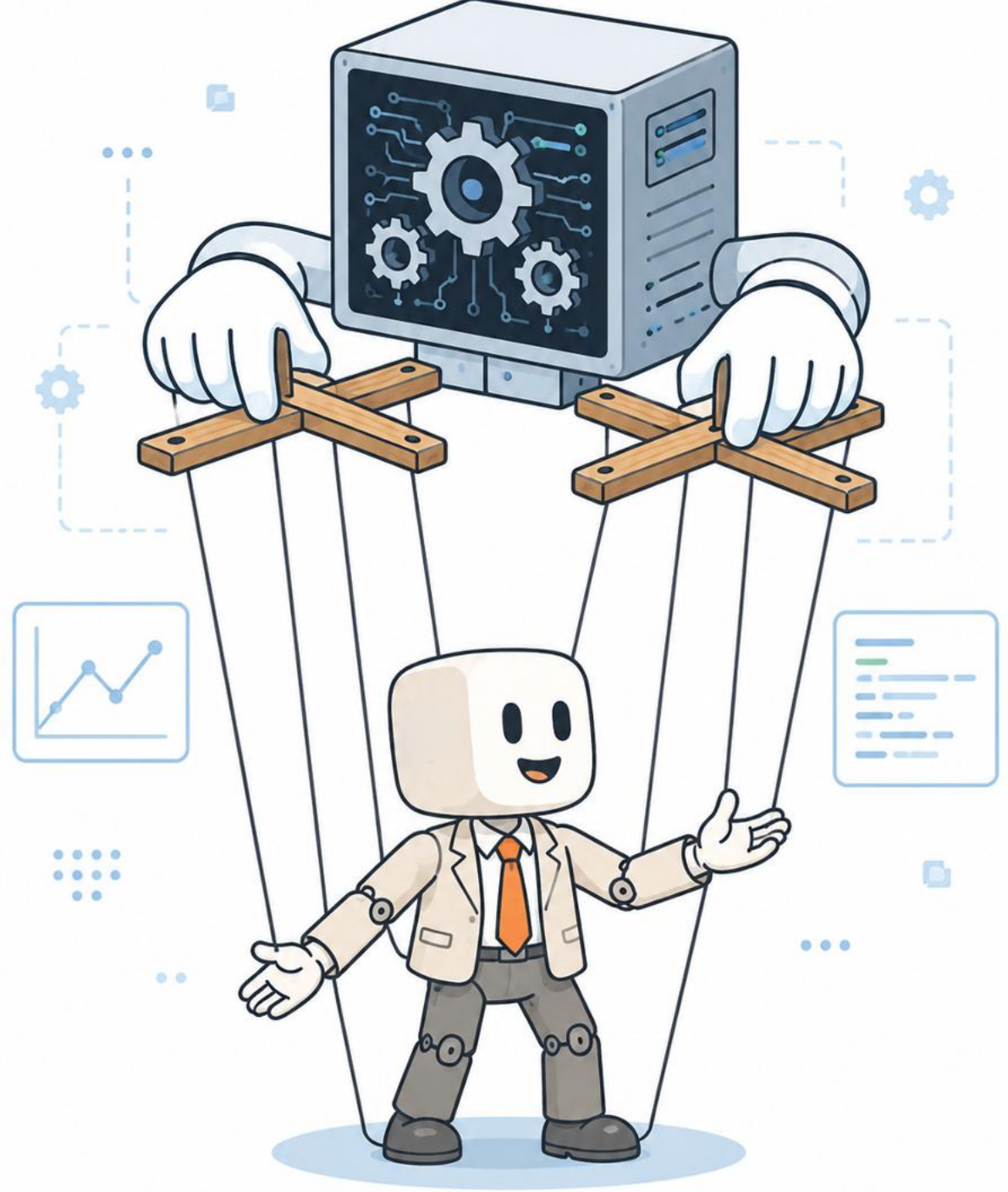
## The Practice

How you work with it

## An engine, not a being

the engine / the model

"Claude": the character it performs



# How conversations grow

Turn 1

User 1

Turn 2

User 2  
Reply 1  
User 1

Turn 3

User 3  
Reply 2  
User 2  
Reply 1  
User 1

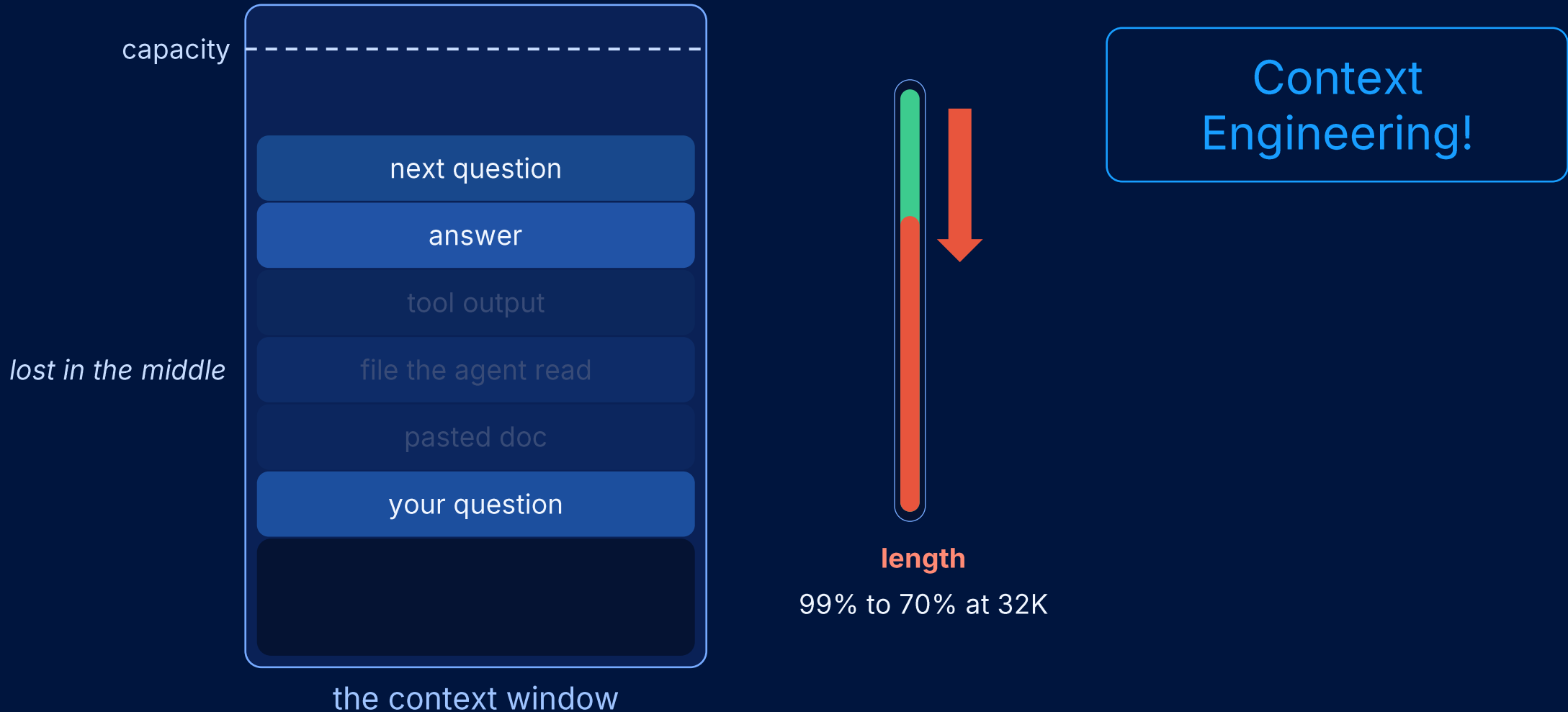
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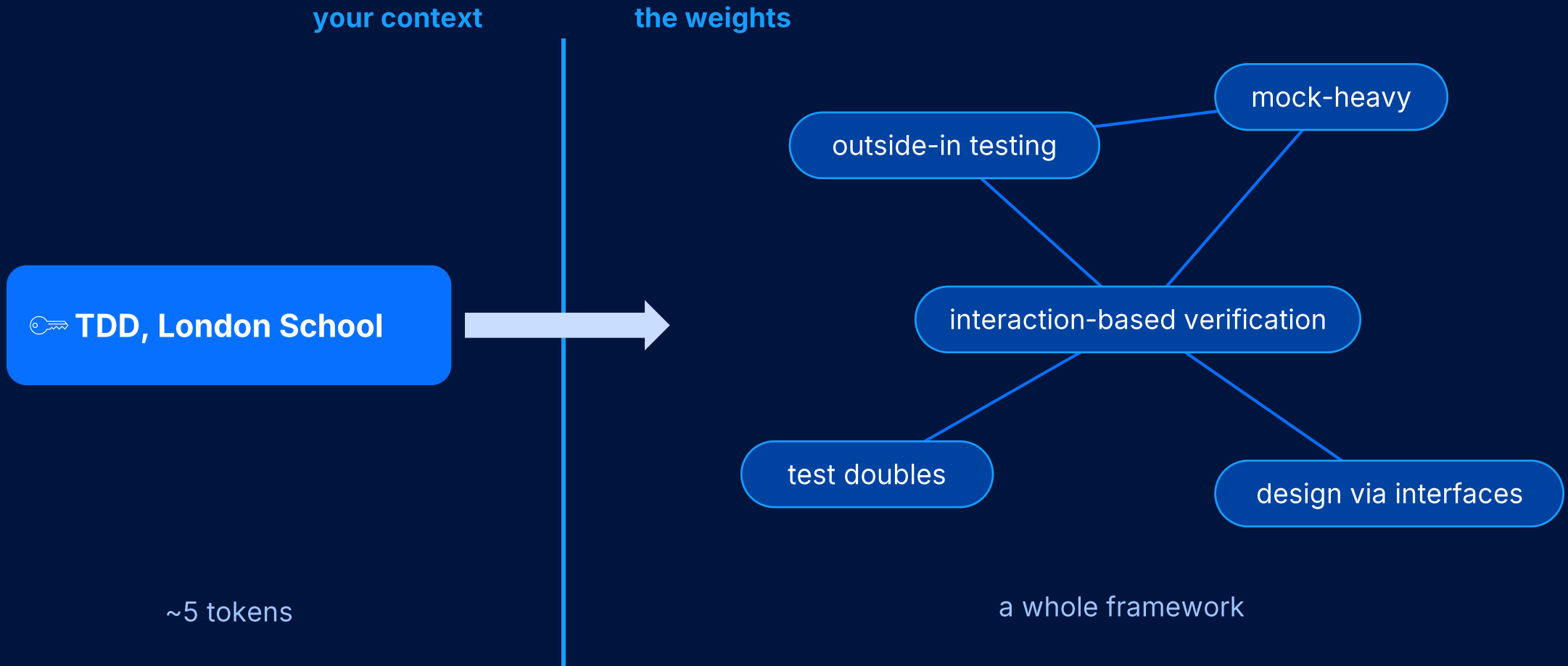
# An agent is a loop



# How the context gets assembled



# How a term unlocks knowledge



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# Why a role doesn't add facts



## Identity anchor

*"You are an expert security engineer"*

## Moves the voice

● no factual gain

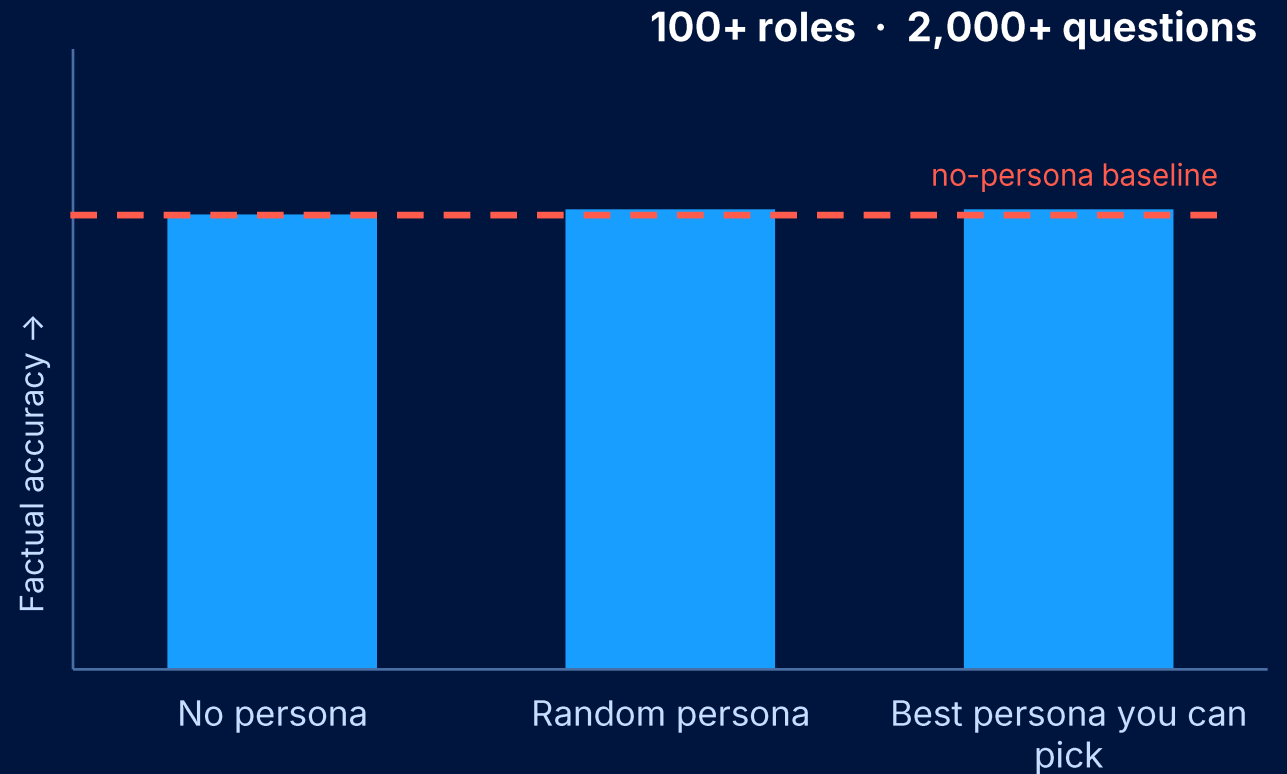


## Content anchor

*"Threat modelling with STRIDE"*

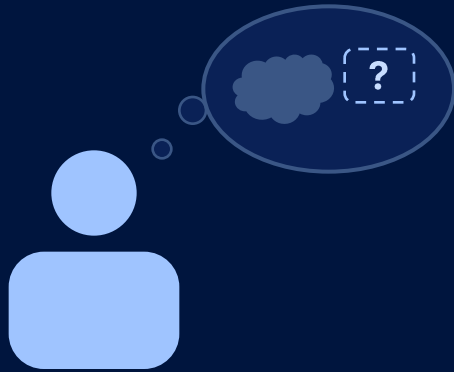
## Moves the facts

● wins on accuracy



Zheng et al., EMNLP Findings 2024

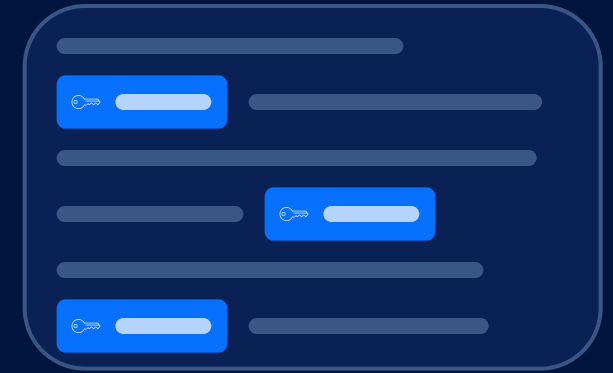
# When you don't know the term



1. You don't know the term



2. Elicit the anchors



3. Anchor the real prompt

## THE KEYBOARD MOVE

“What are the named frameworks, key terms, and tradeoffs an expert would use for X? List them.”  
→ *then anchor the real prompt with those terms.*

# Why it ignores what you told it

Your prompt

System prompt

Injected project files

Tool listings & schemas

Everything the session accumulated: file reads, tool output, earlier turns

 *your instruction, turn 3*

× everything, always loaded

✓ packaged, loaded when needed

# Progressive disclosure

Skills! 🎉

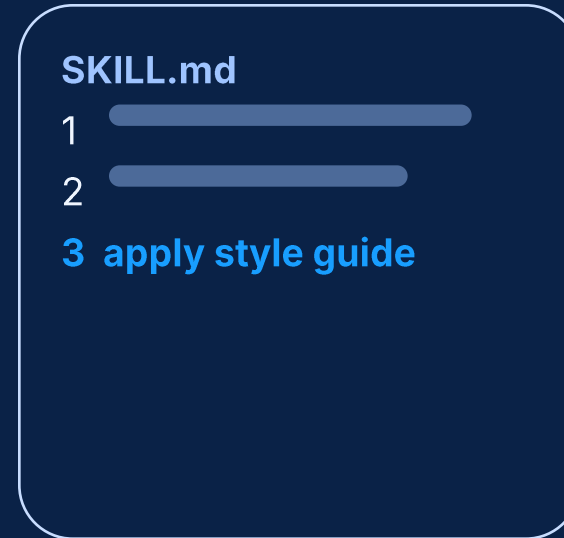
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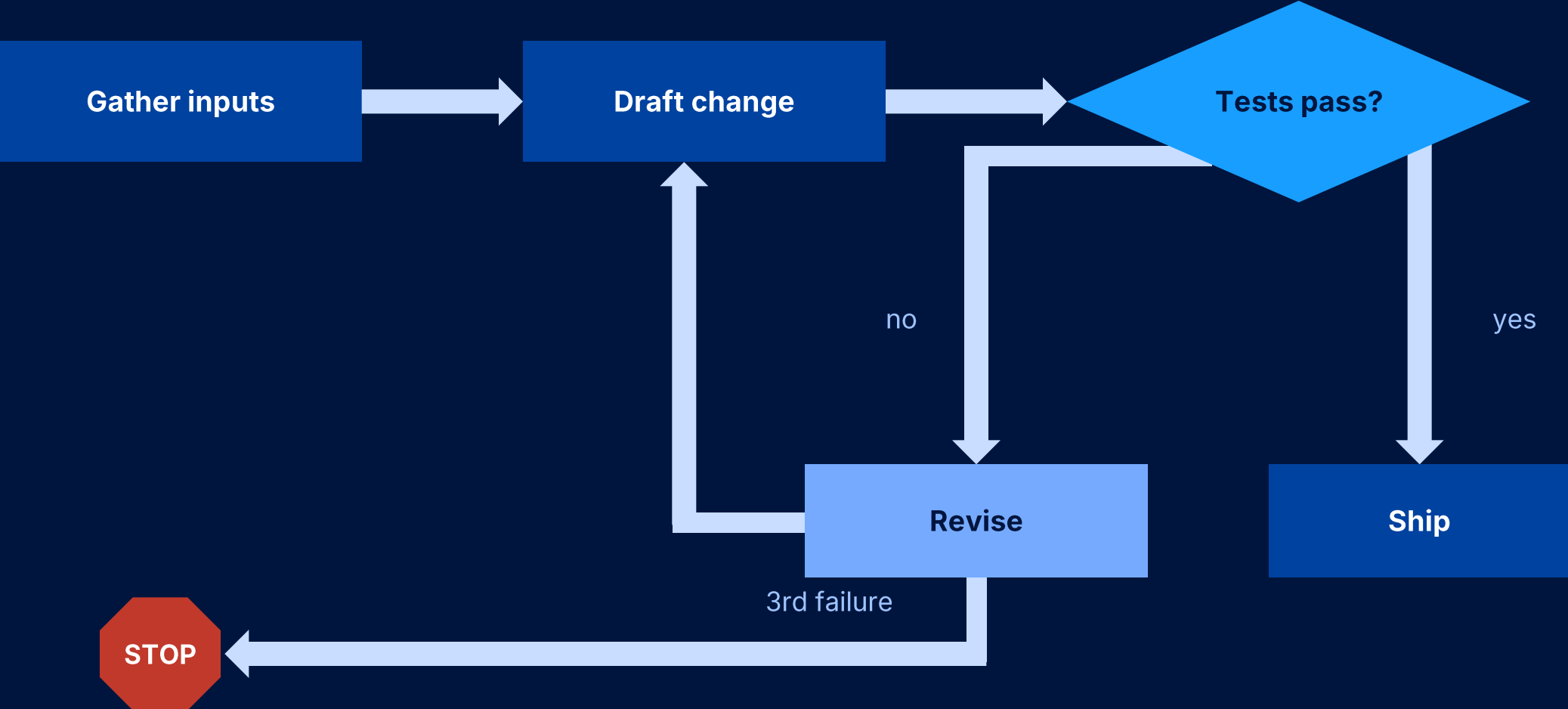
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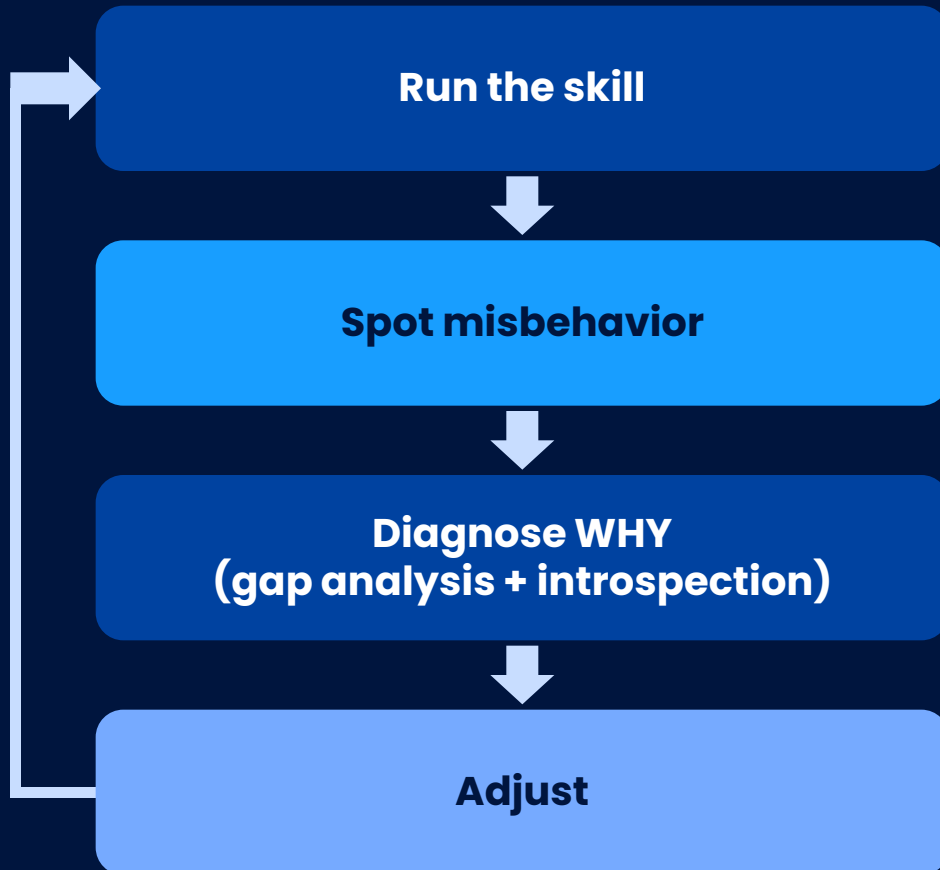
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# Structure the workflow



# Good in a few cycles



`introspection · diagnose, don't guess`

`$ why did step 3 skip the tests?`

`> Likely causes:`

- `1. No explicit STOP before publish`
- `2. "verify" step phrased as optional`
- `3. Tests not named as a gate`

`> Suggested fix:`

`make the gate a hard stop condition  
the model can't rationalize past.`

# Working with skills



**just create them**



**design them as  
workflows**



**fail hard, not soft**



**diagnose, then  
iterate**

# Go further

## Skills

Bundled context, loaded just in time.

## Hooks

Enforce behavior. Make workflows extendable.

## Subagents

Isolate context, delegate, return a clean result.

*try what you don't think is possible*

Pharma

Manufacturing

Finance

Software

your domain

*Same mental model, more building blocks.*

# An assistant that works with you

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