



ANDaNA: Onion Routing for NDN

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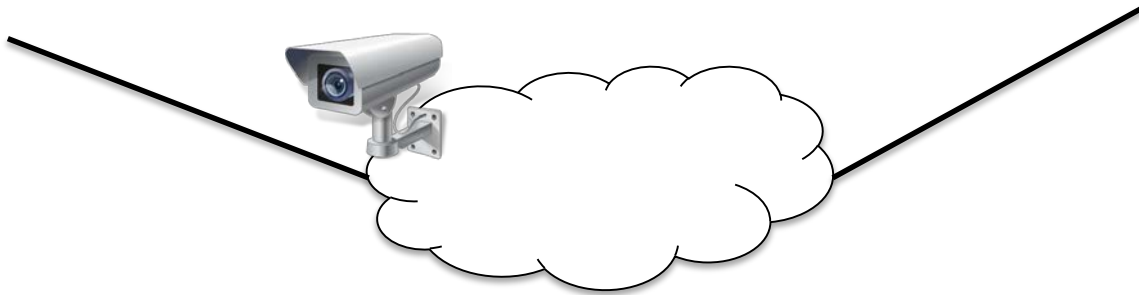
ANDaNA: Anonymous Named Data Networking Application
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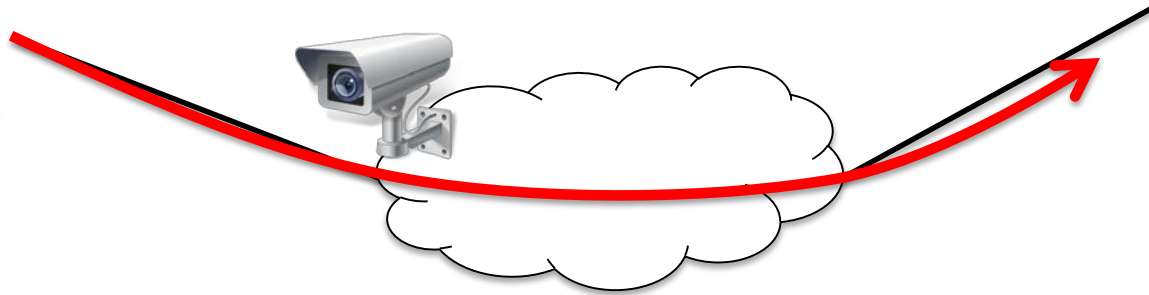
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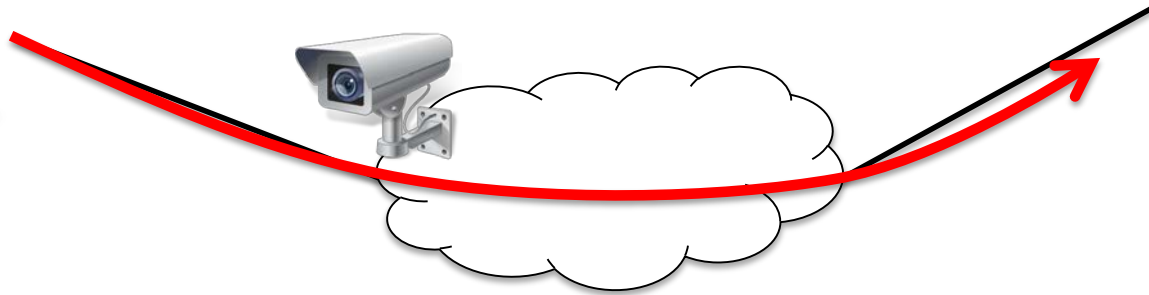
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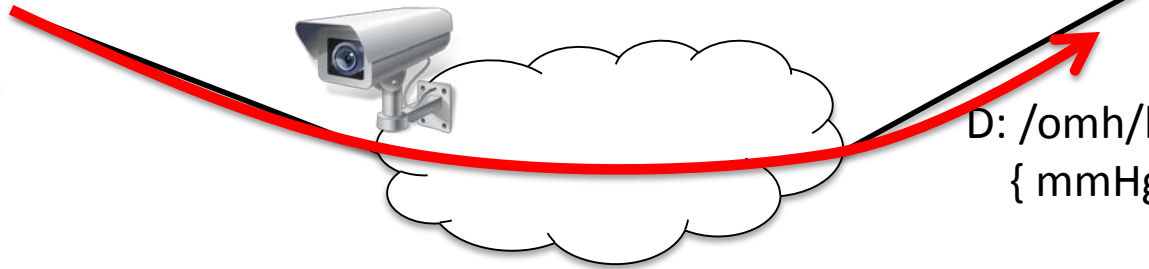
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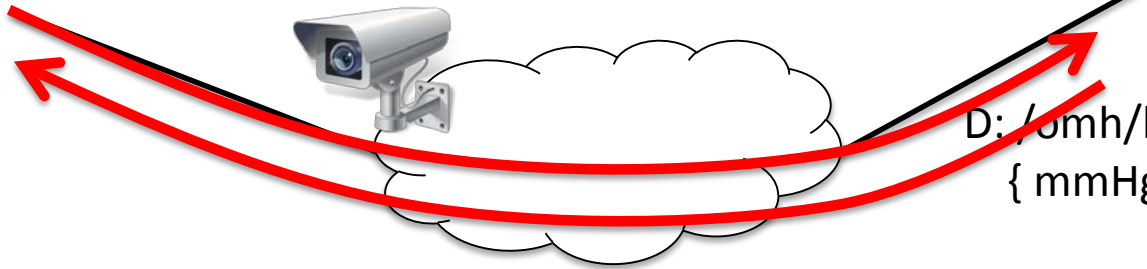


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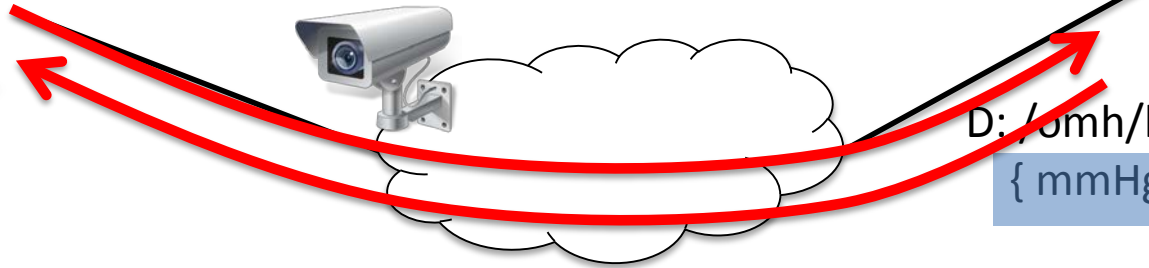


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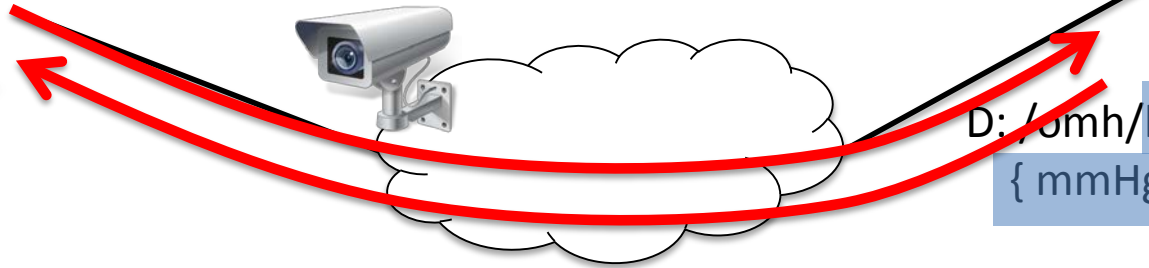
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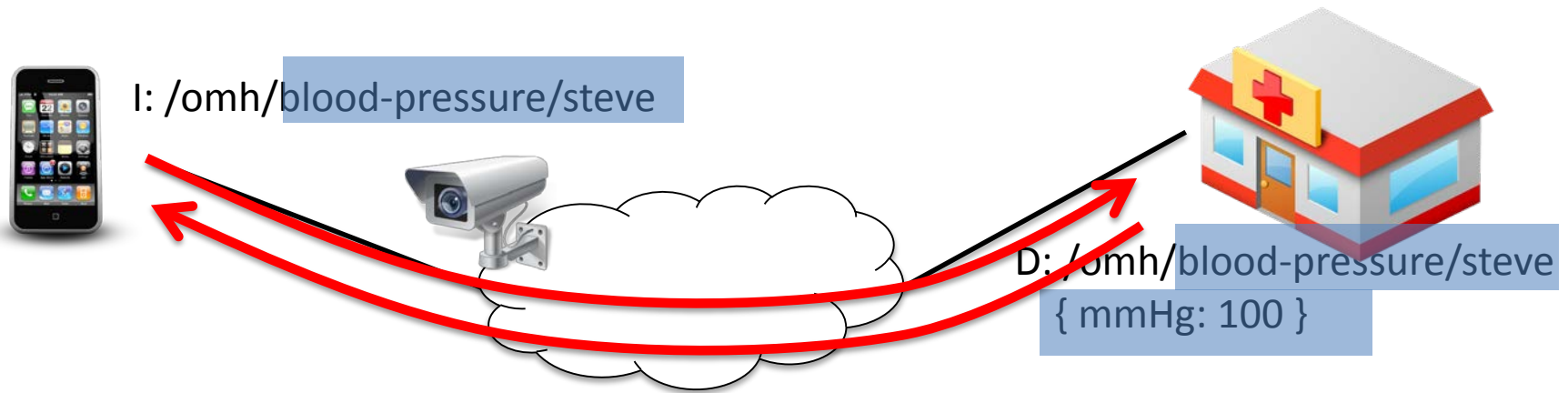


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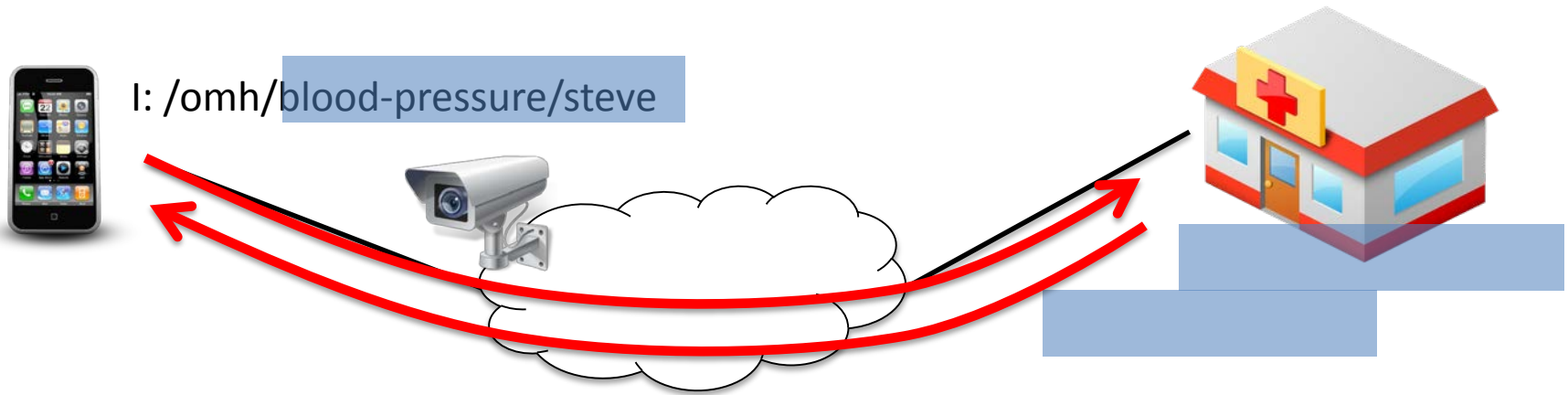


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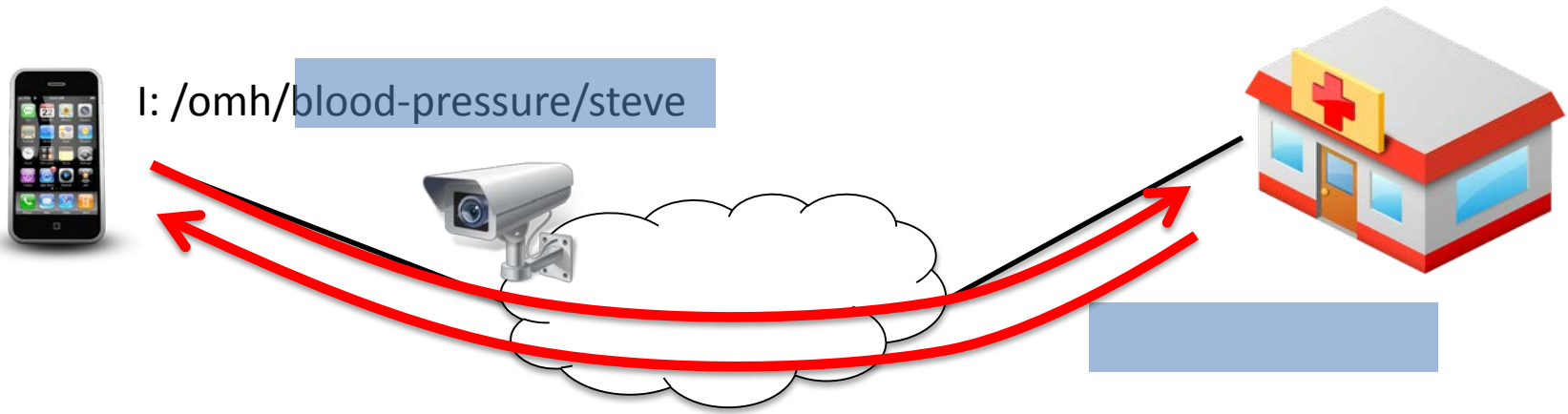
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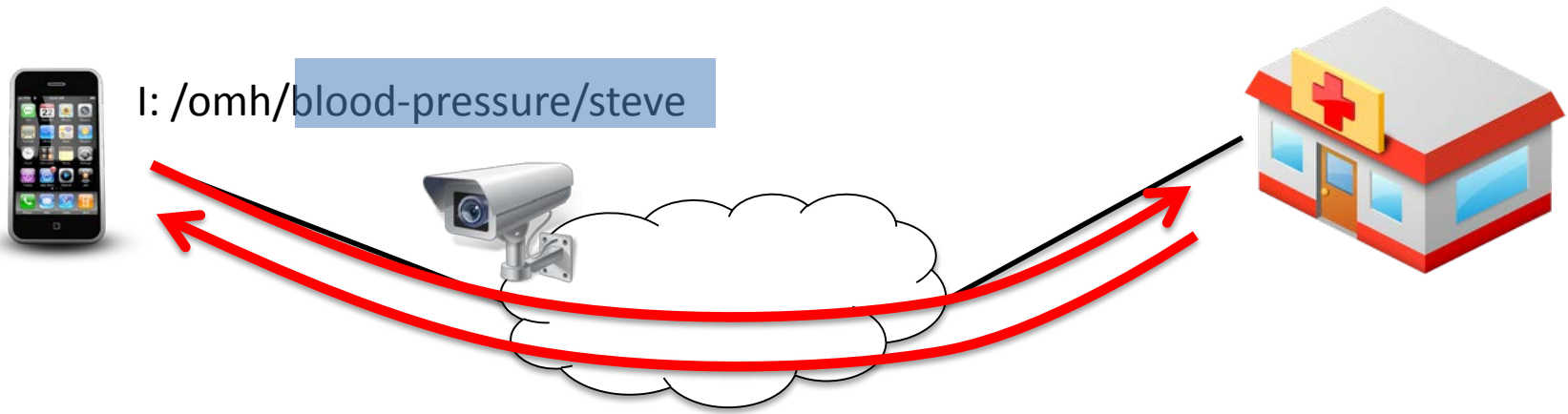
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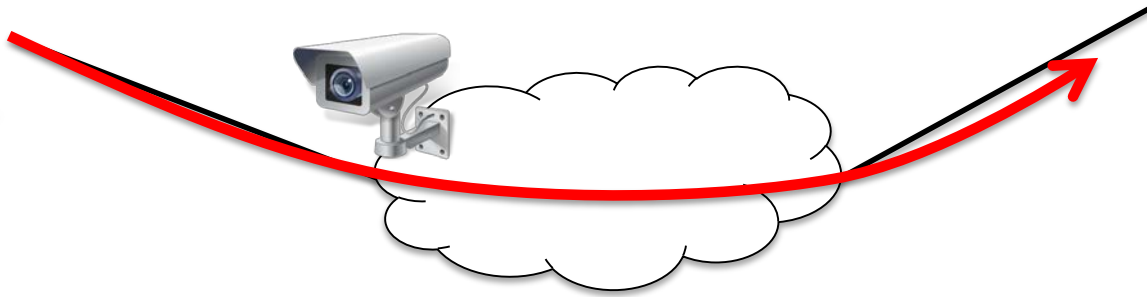
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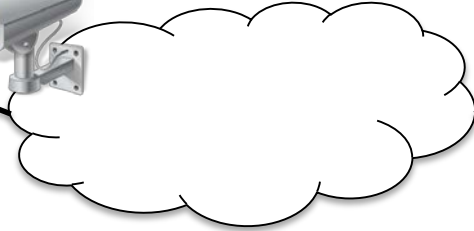
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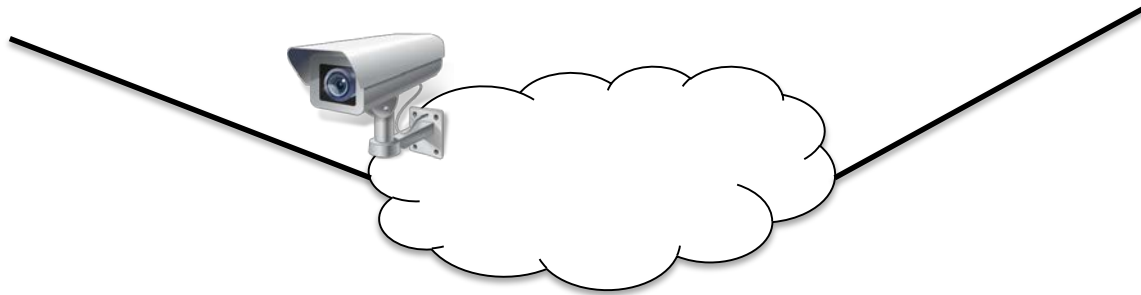
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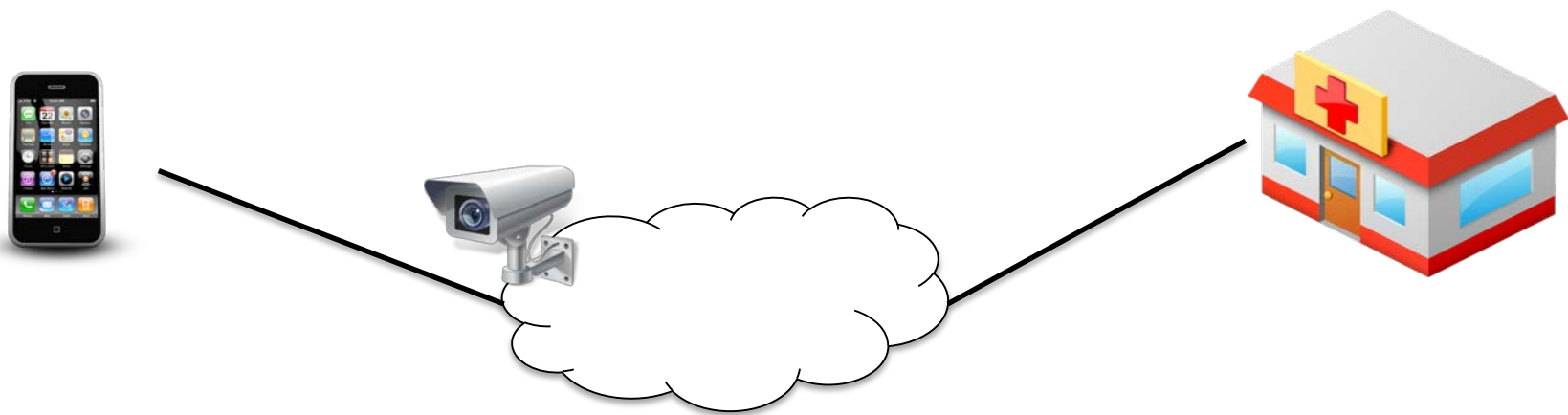


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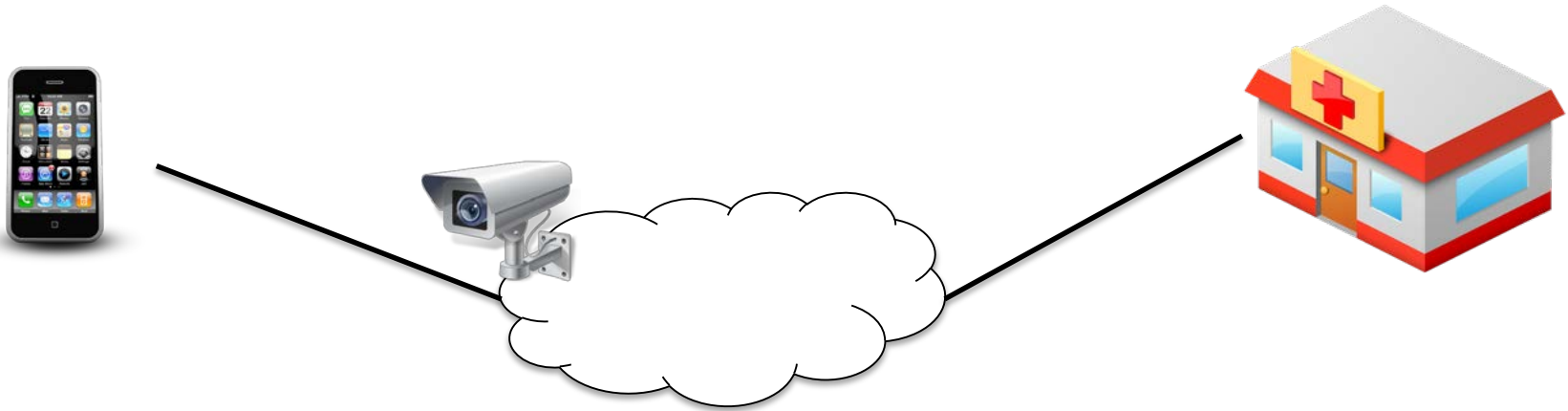




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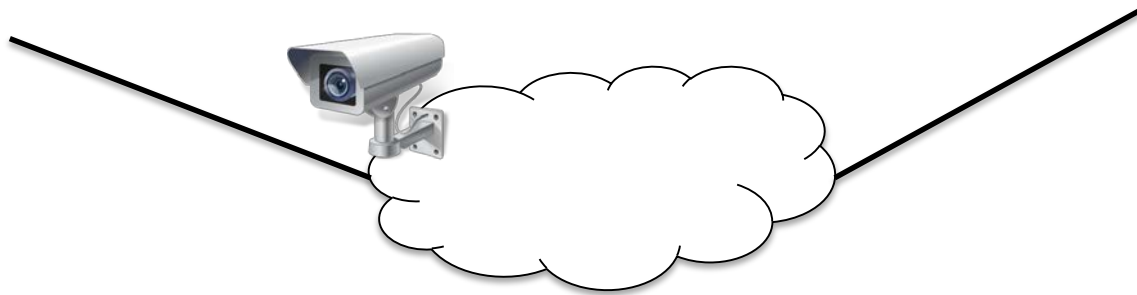
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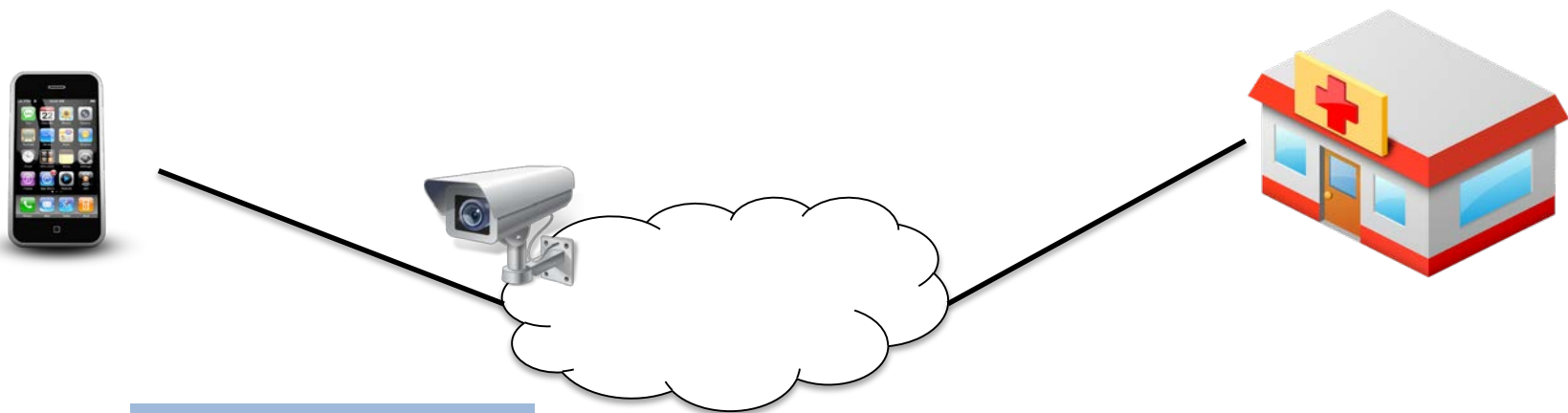
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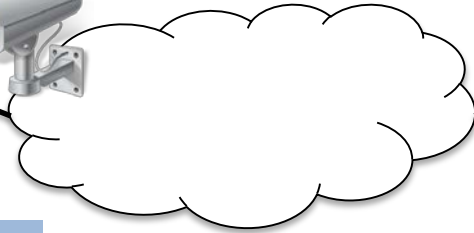
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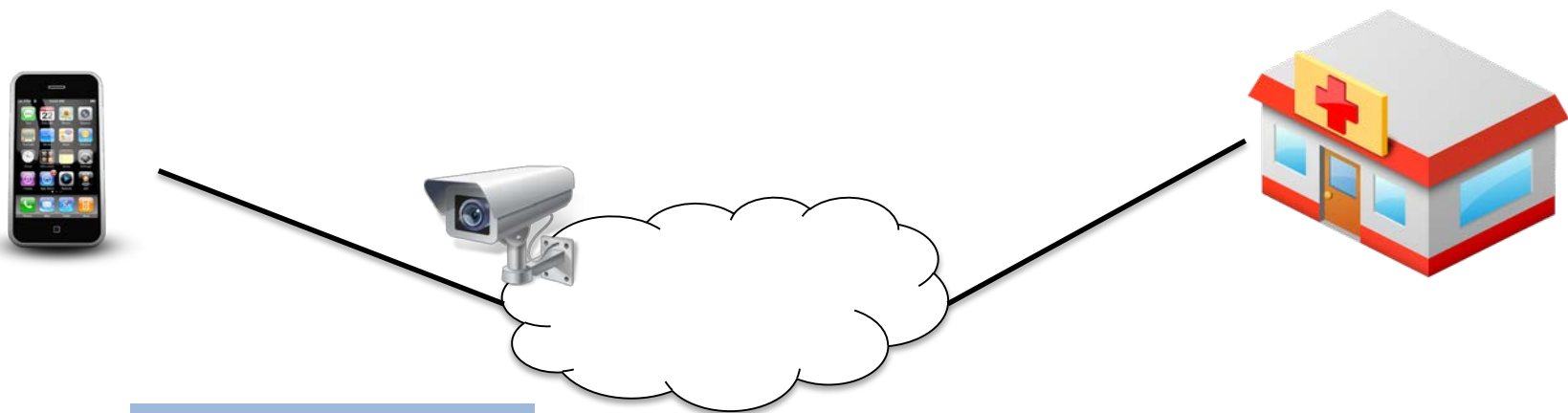
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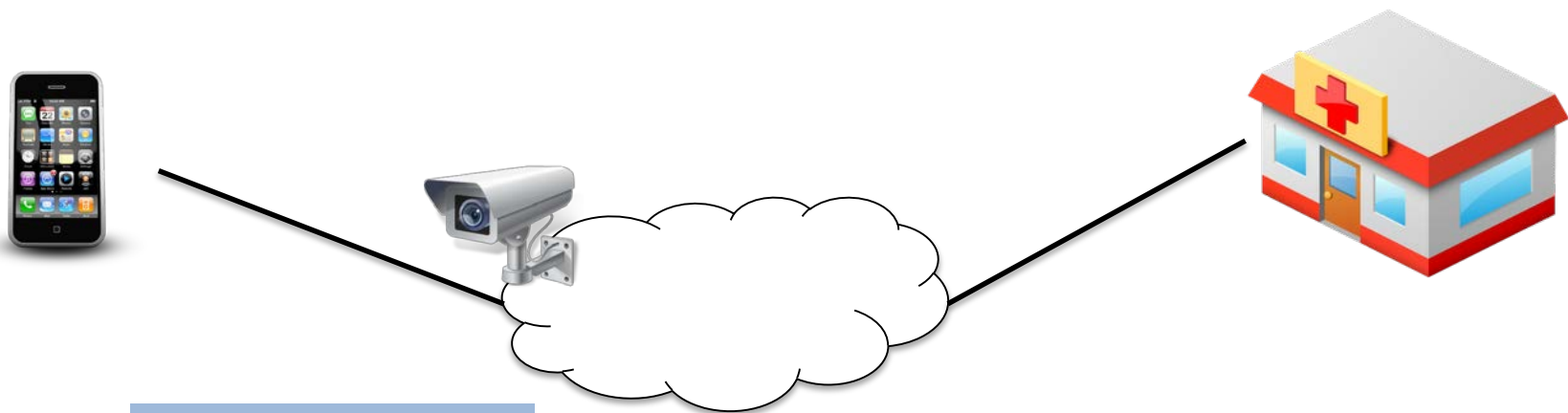
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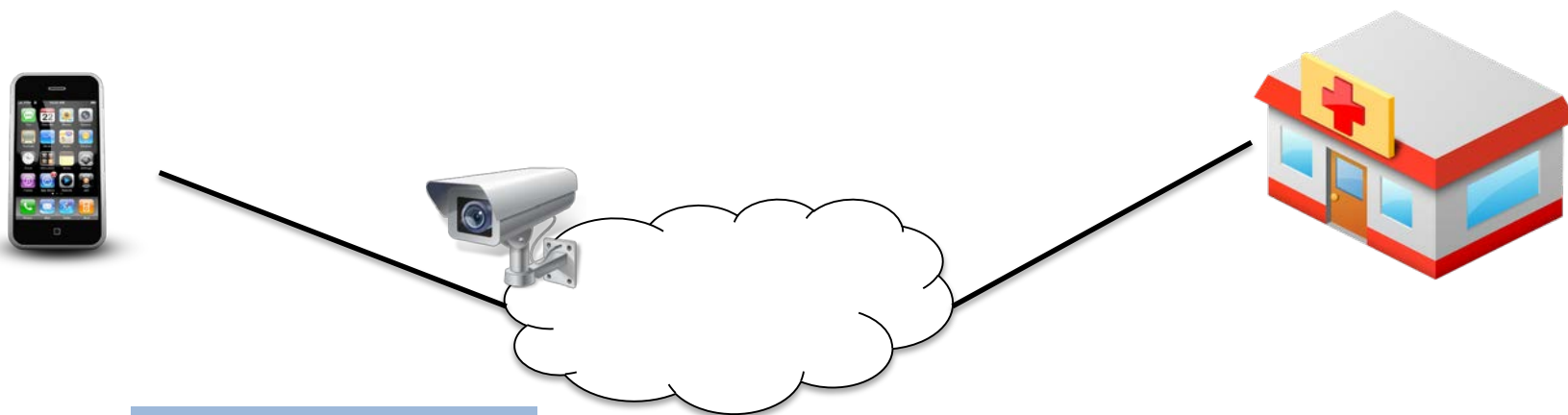
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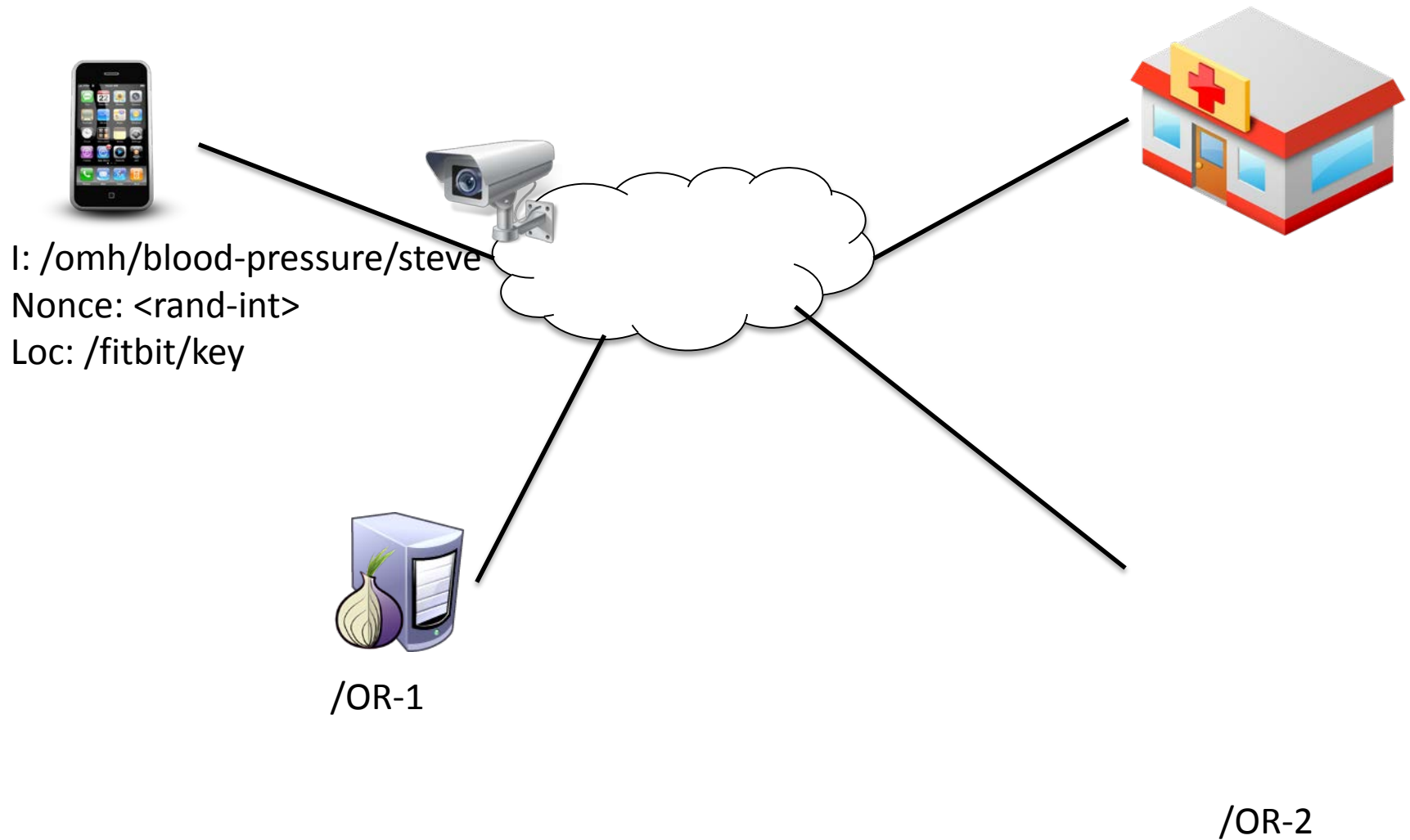
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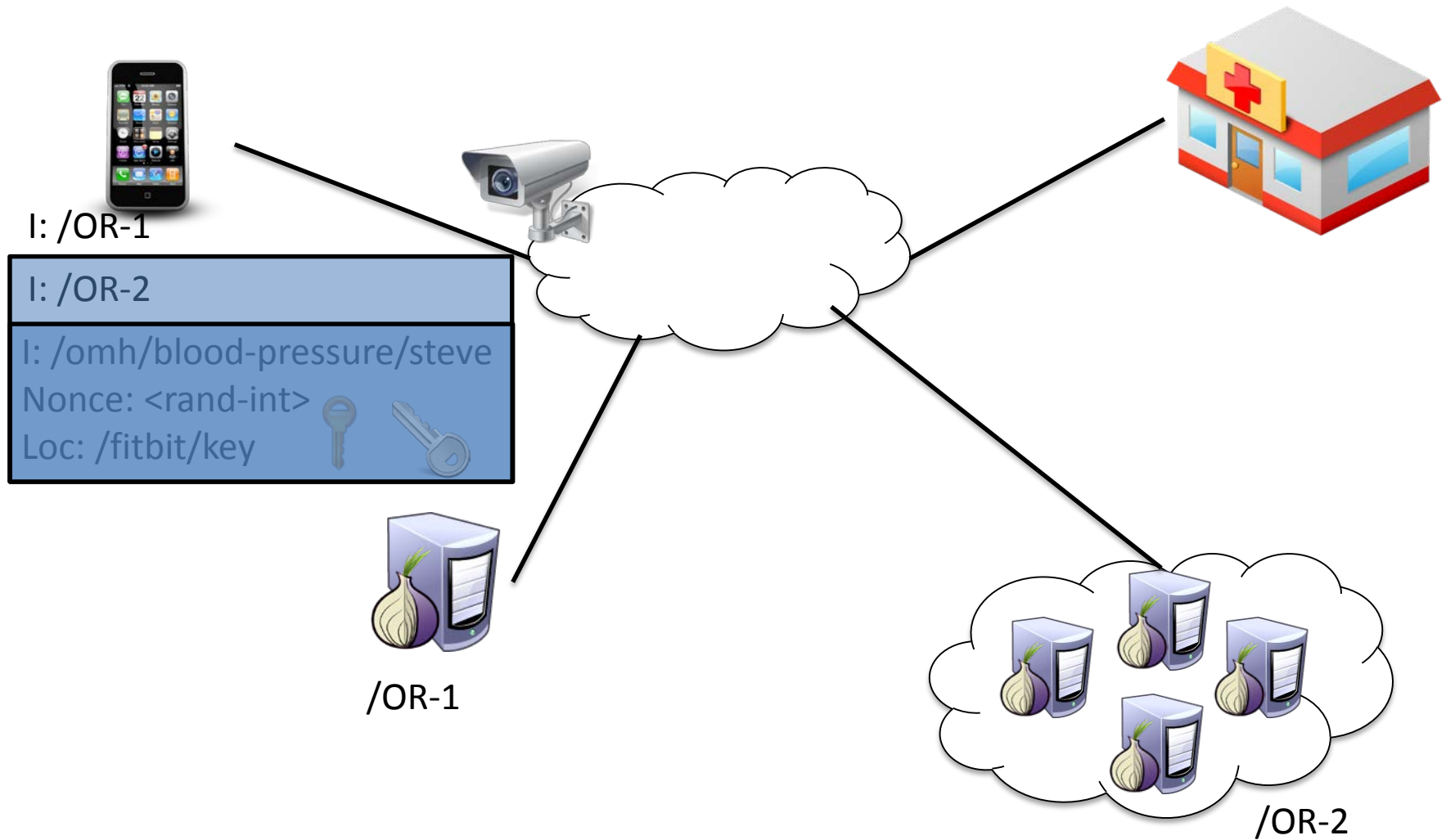
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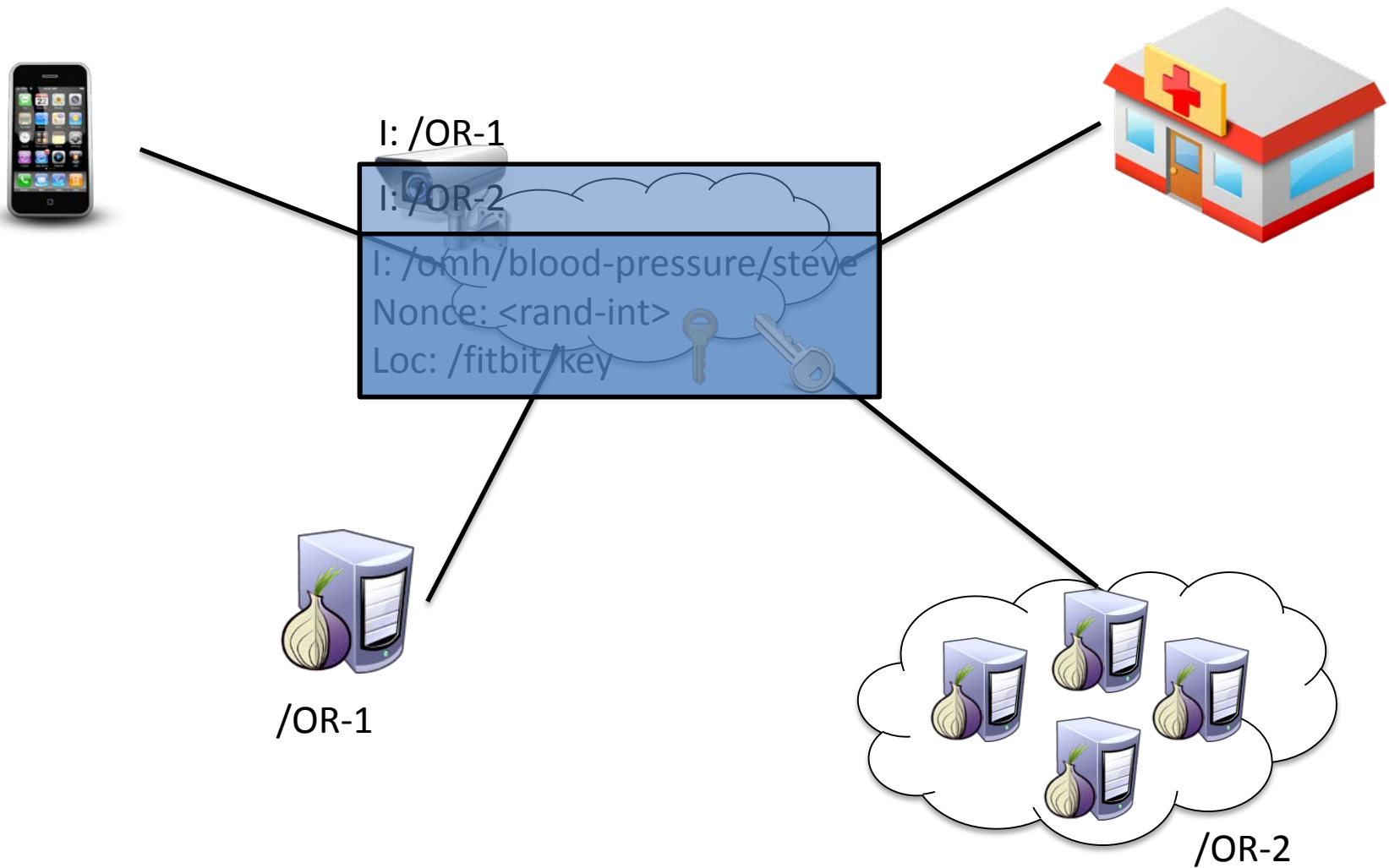
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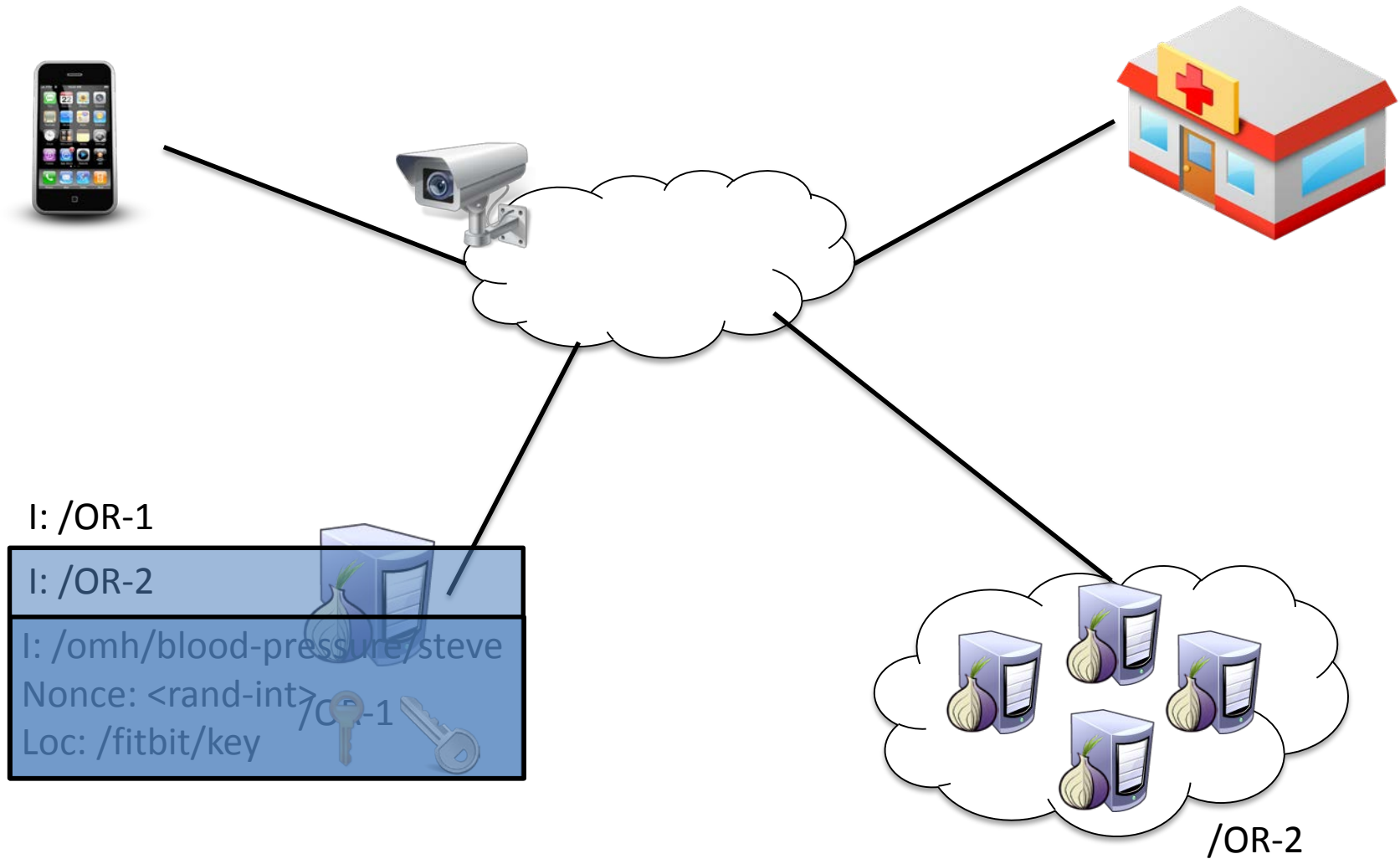
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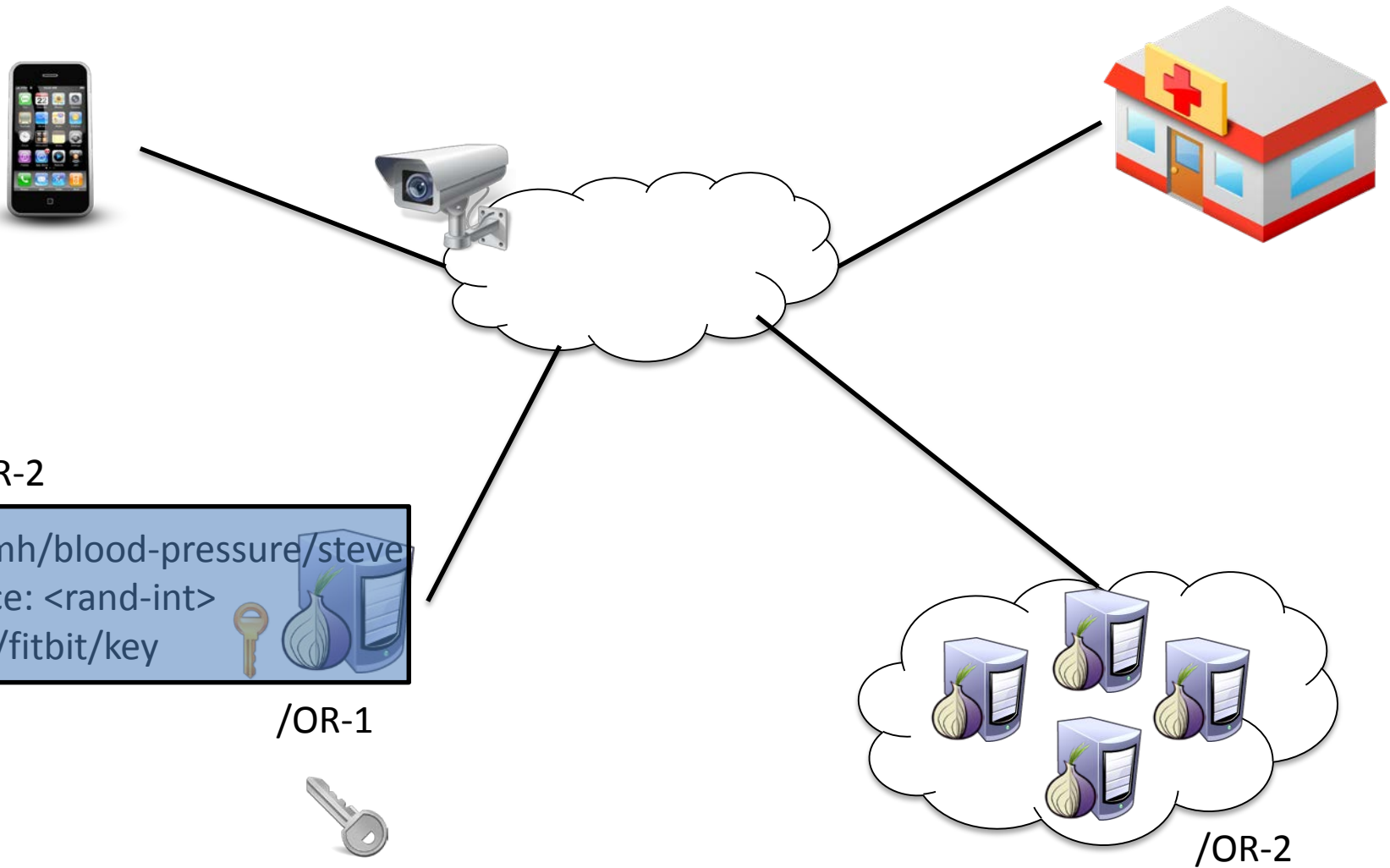
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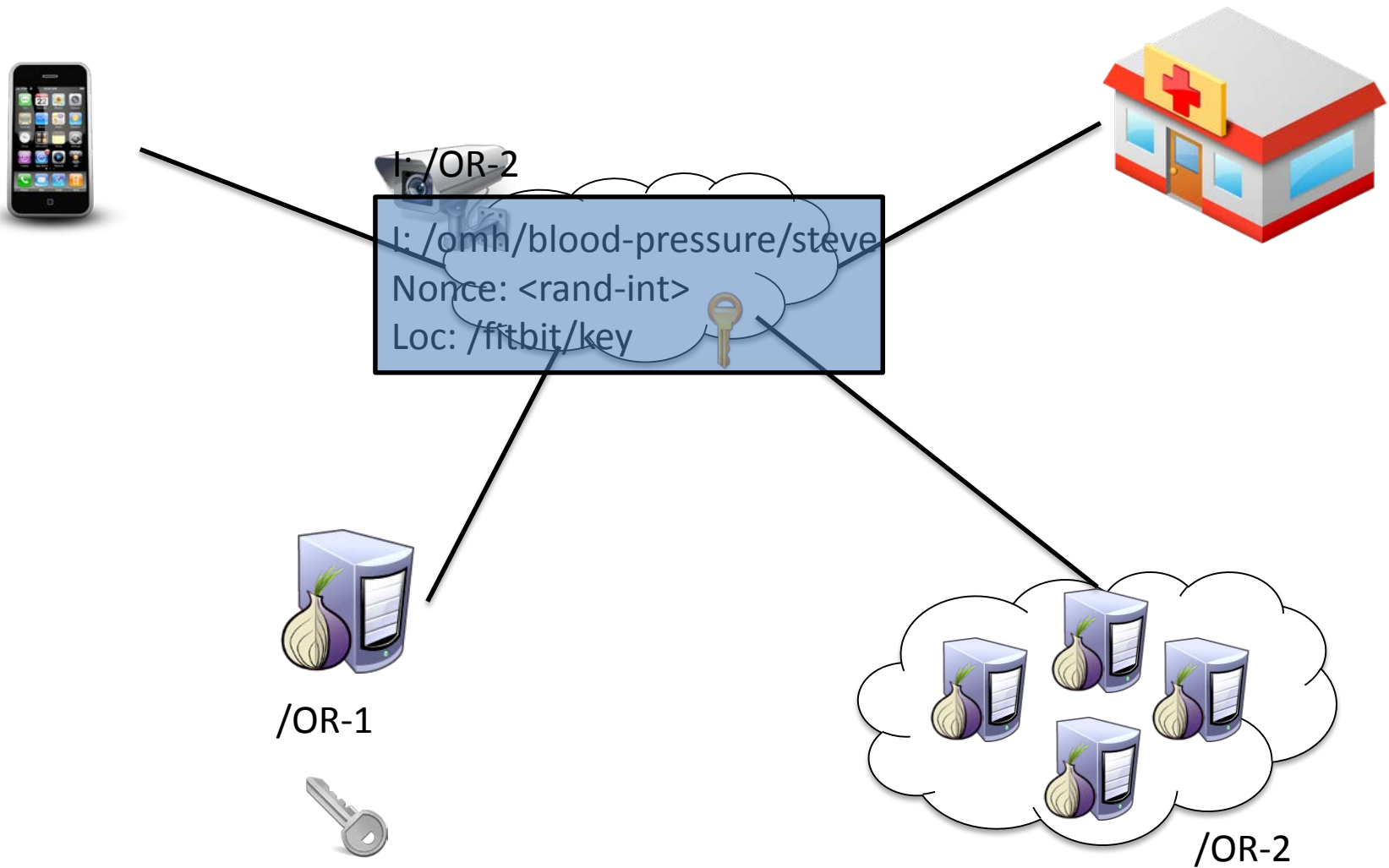
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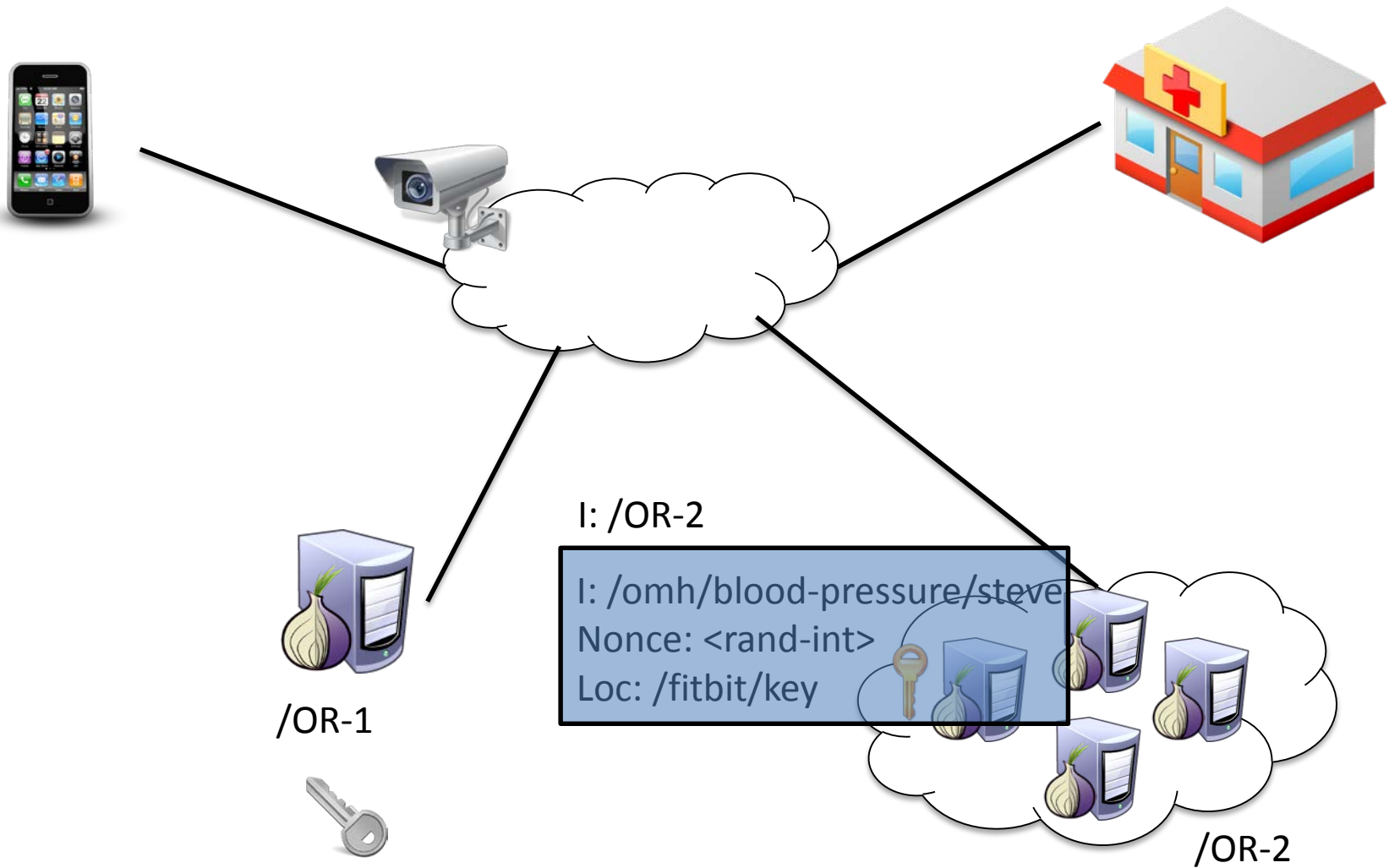
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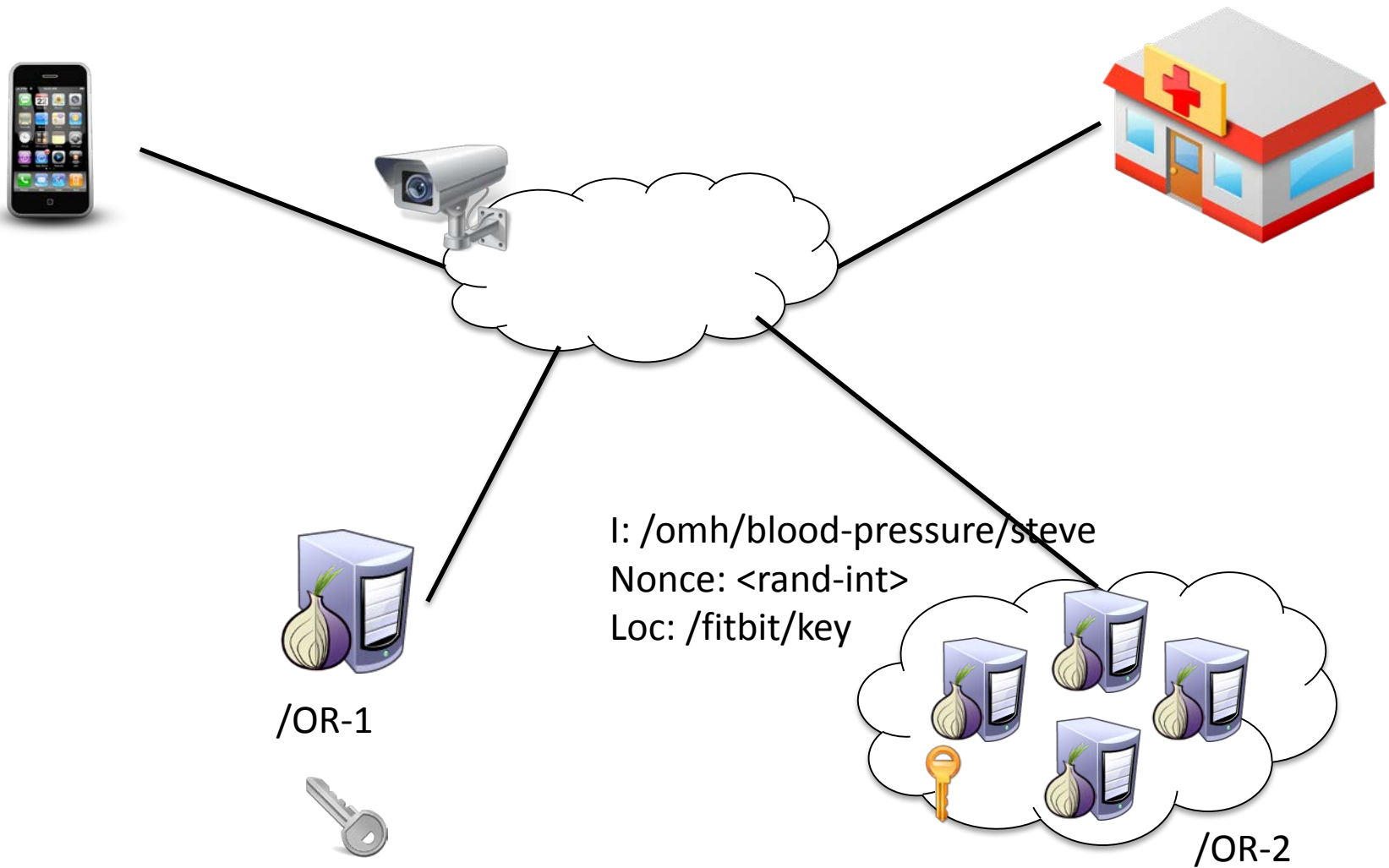
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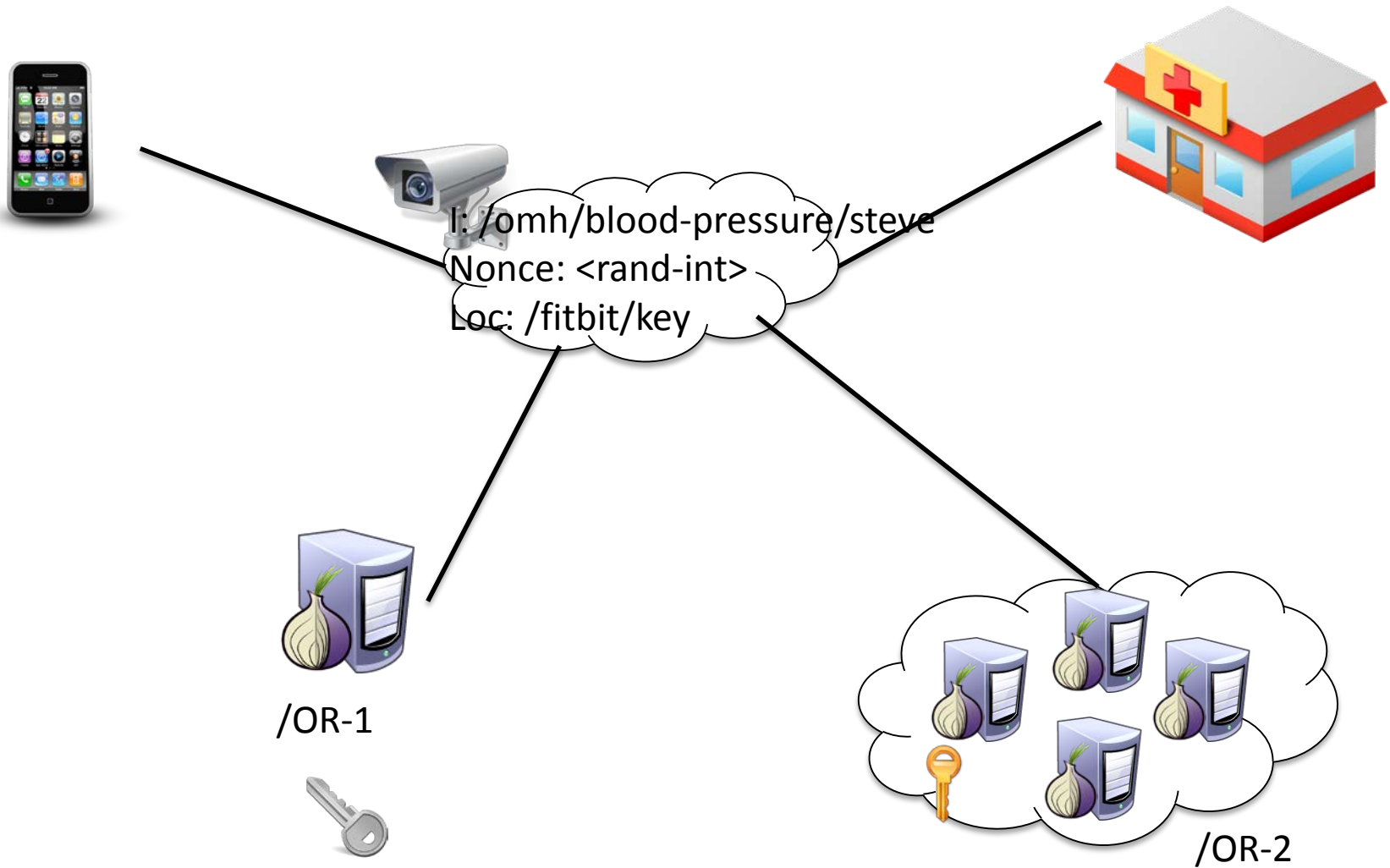
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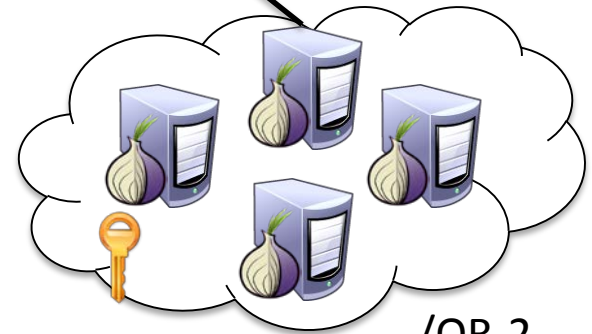
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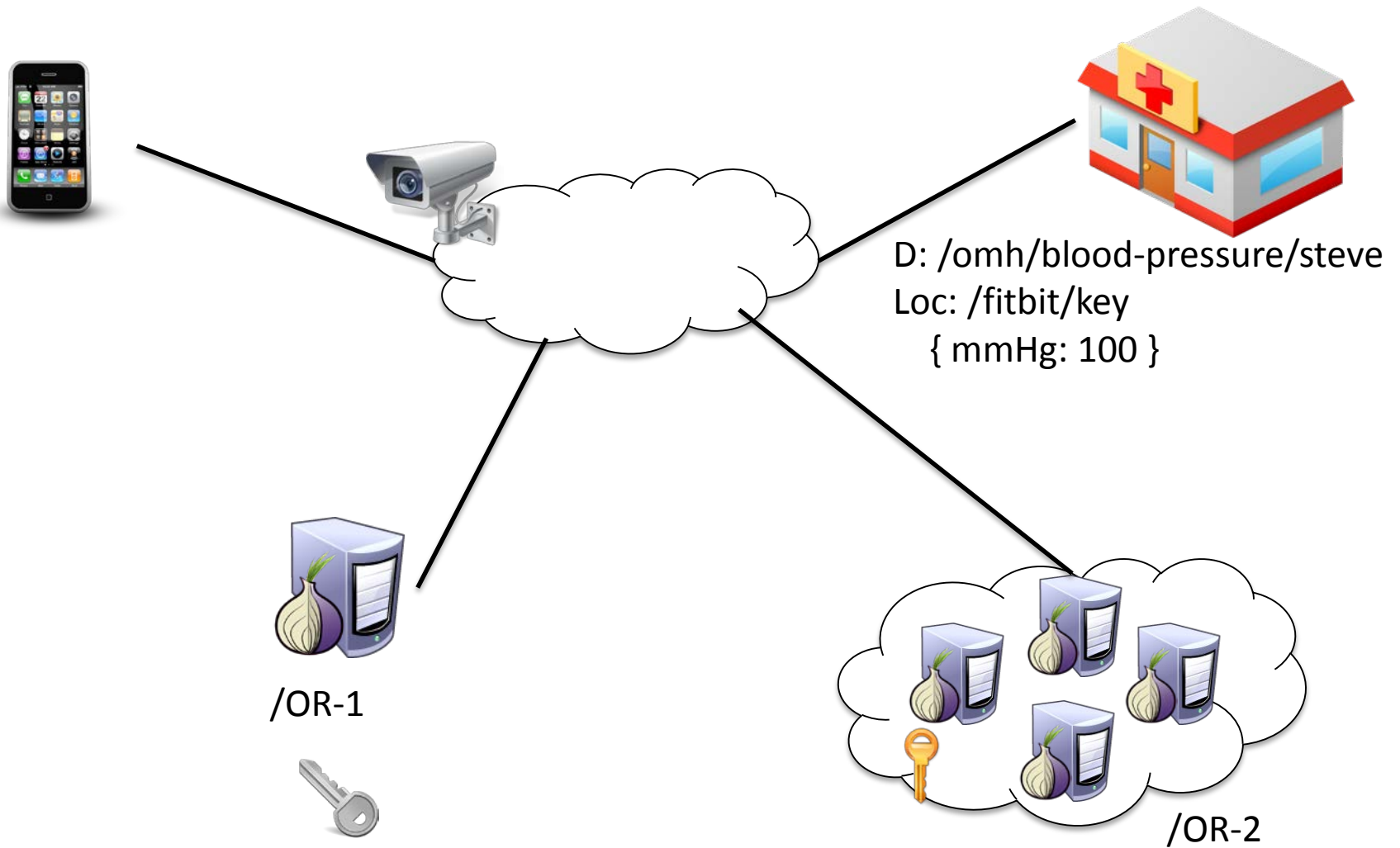


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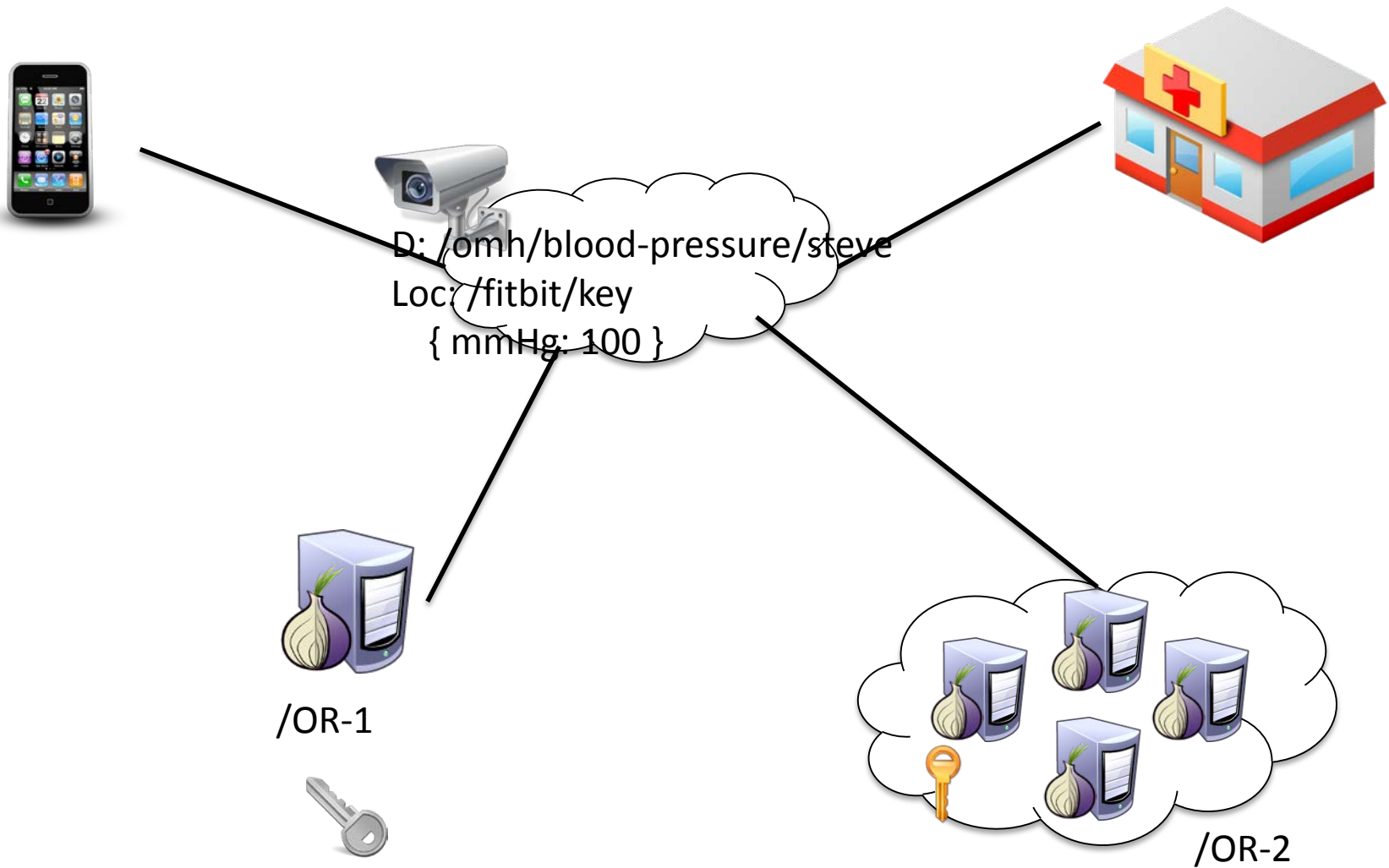


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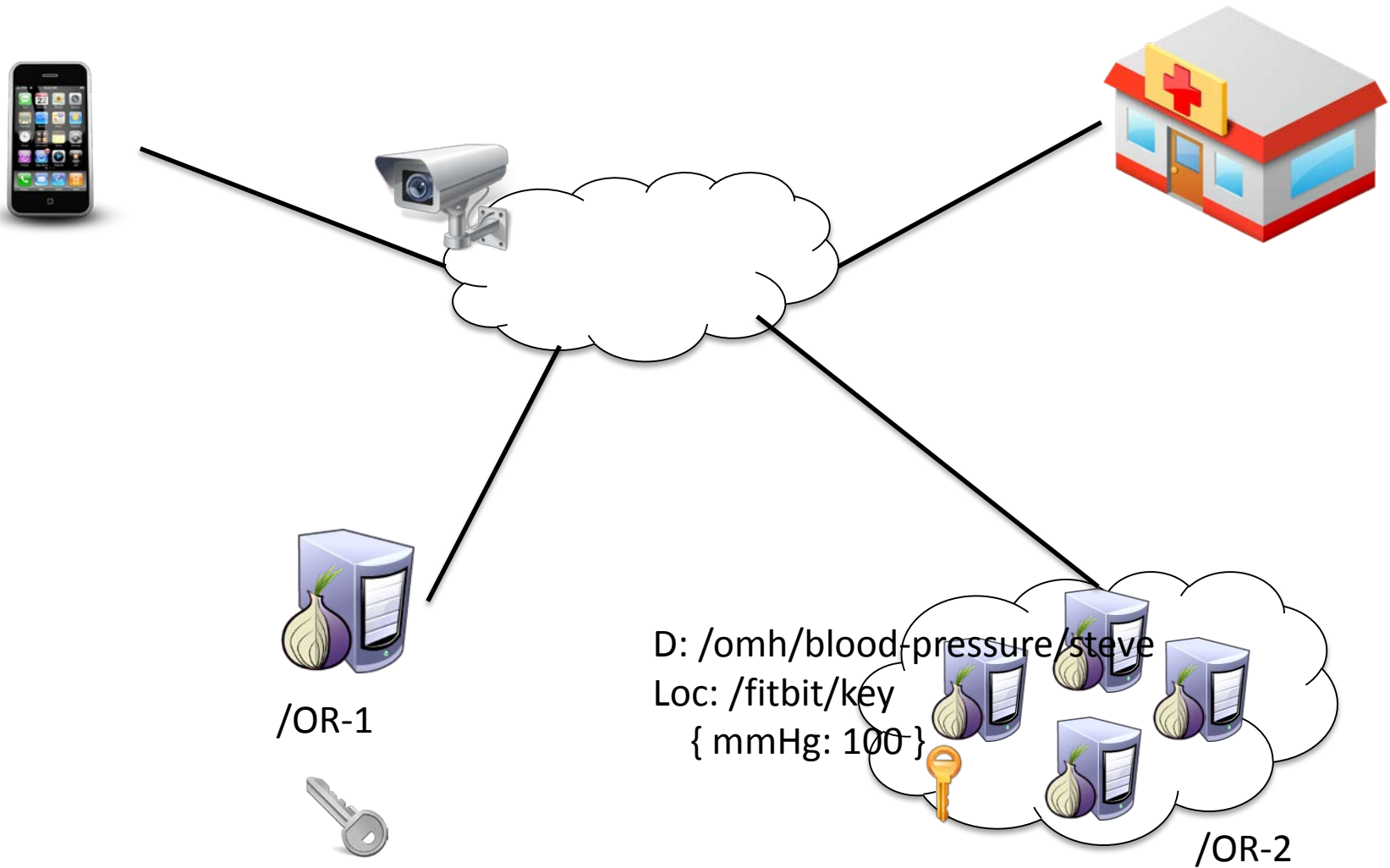
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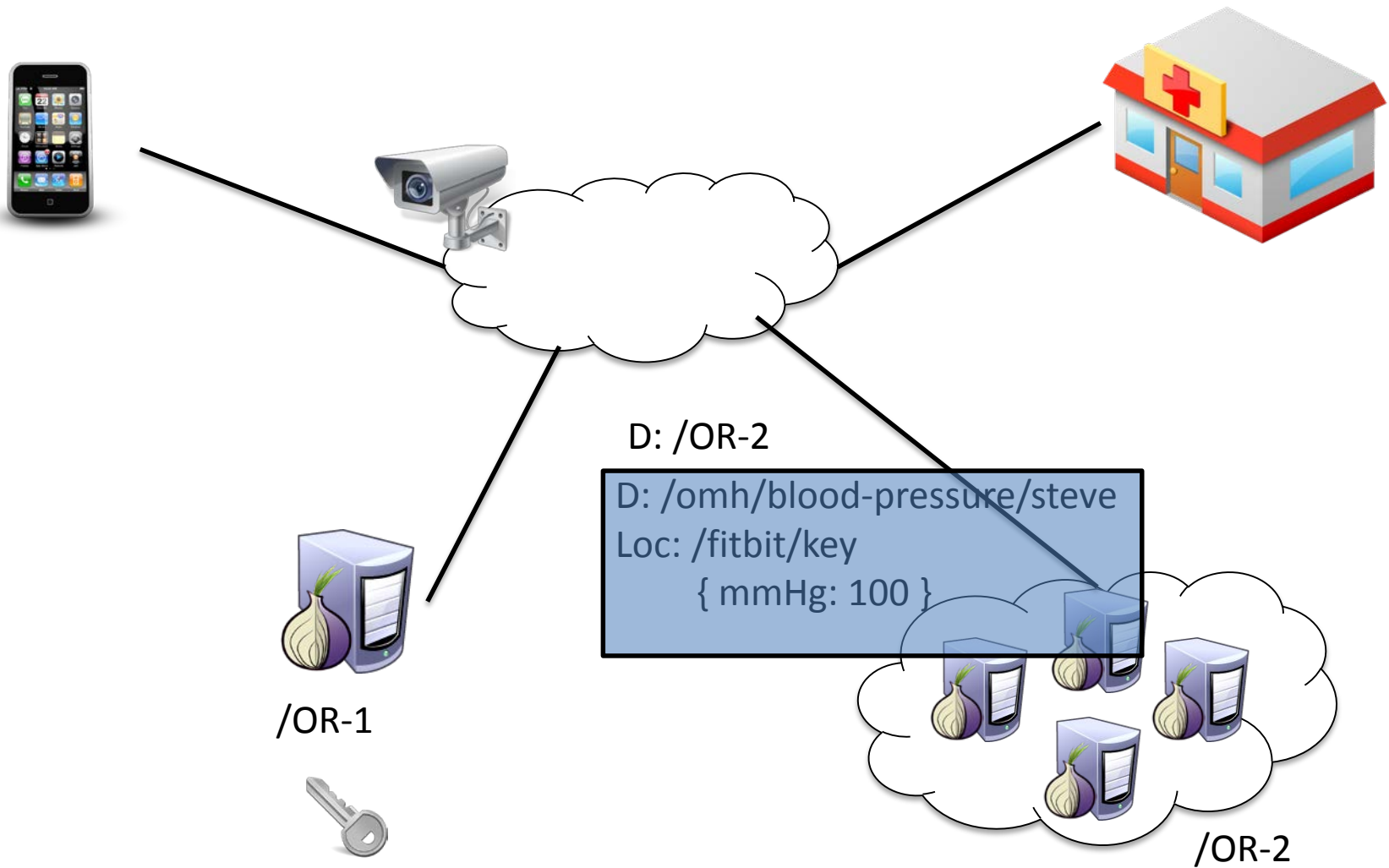
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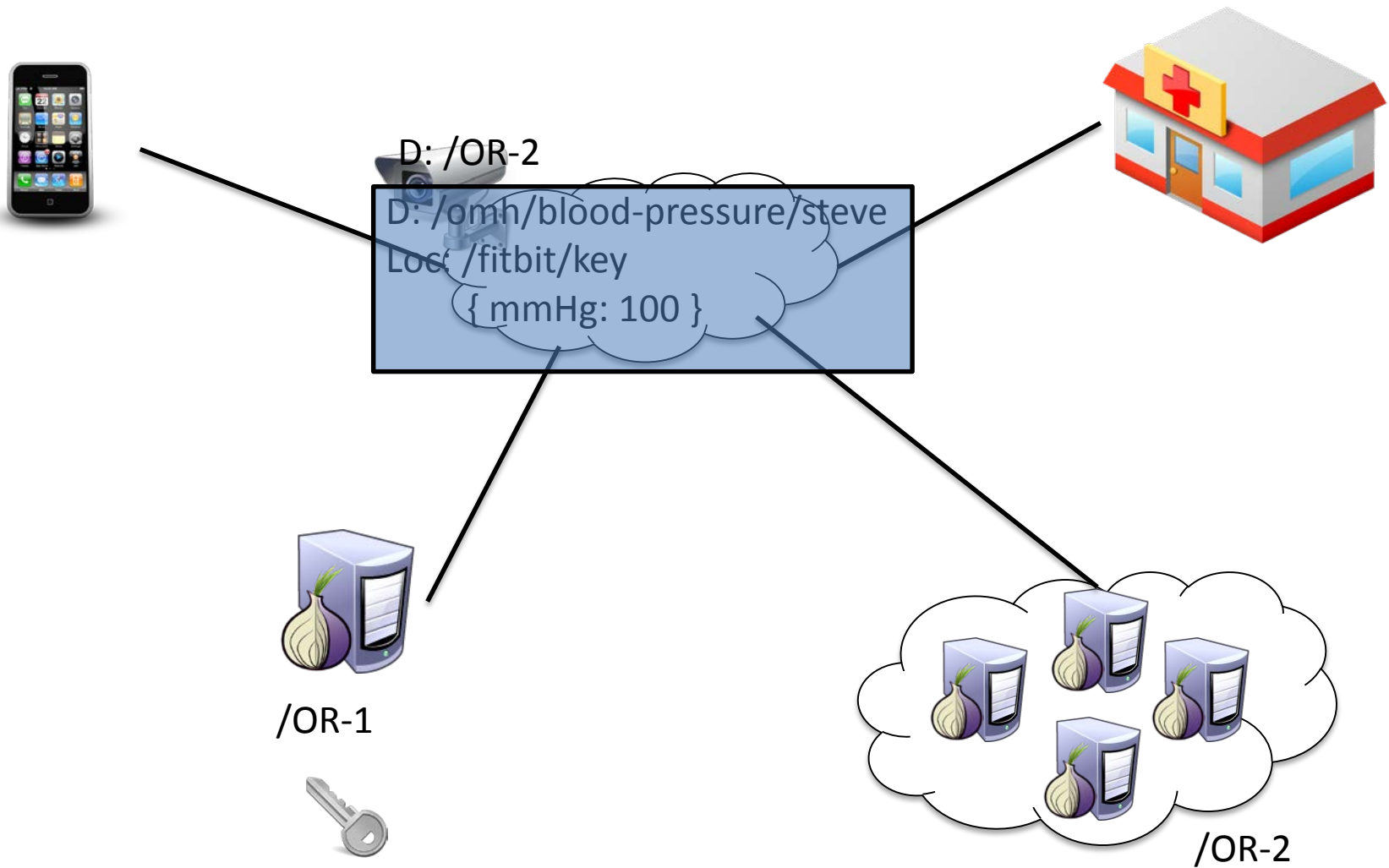
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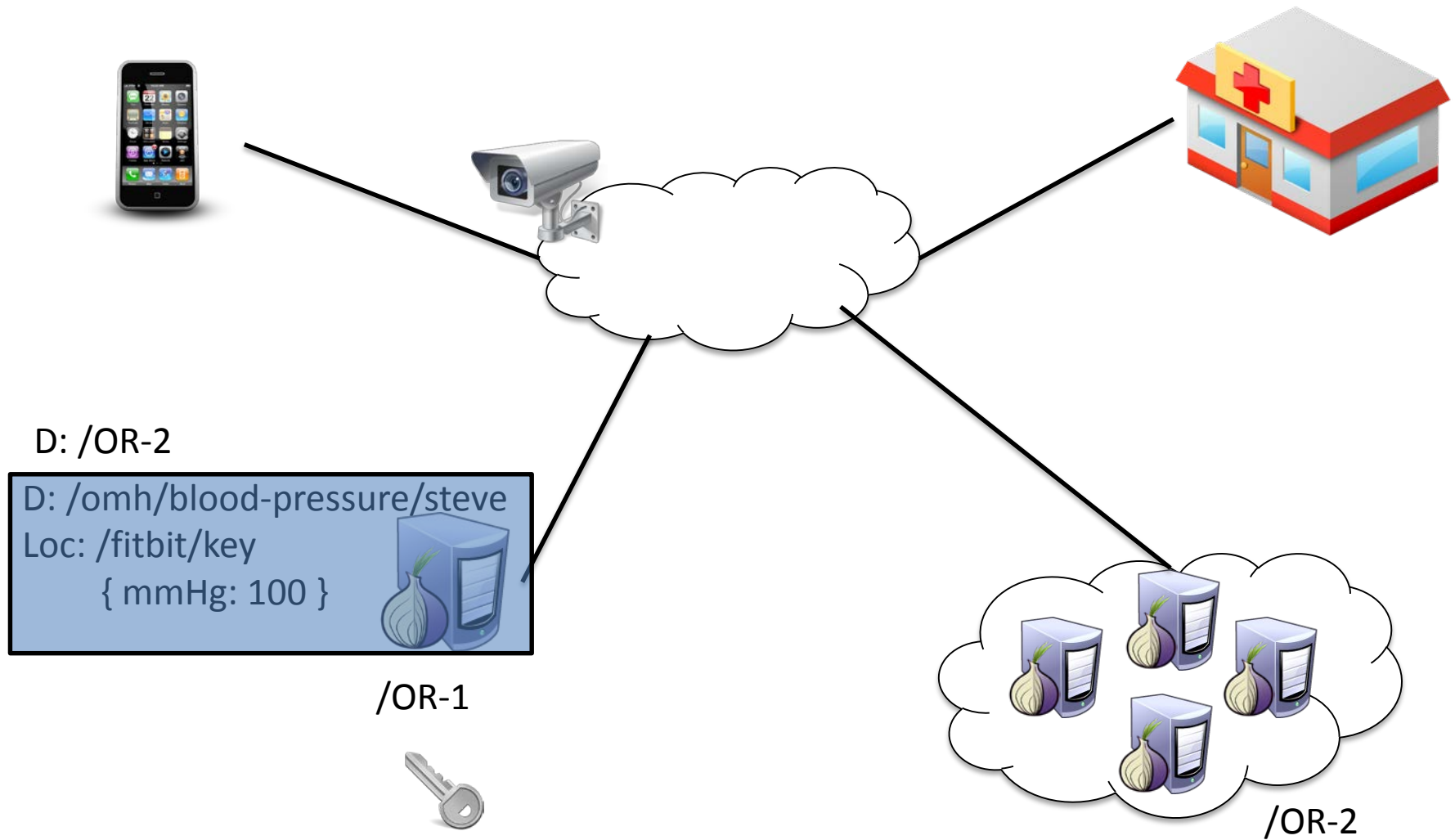
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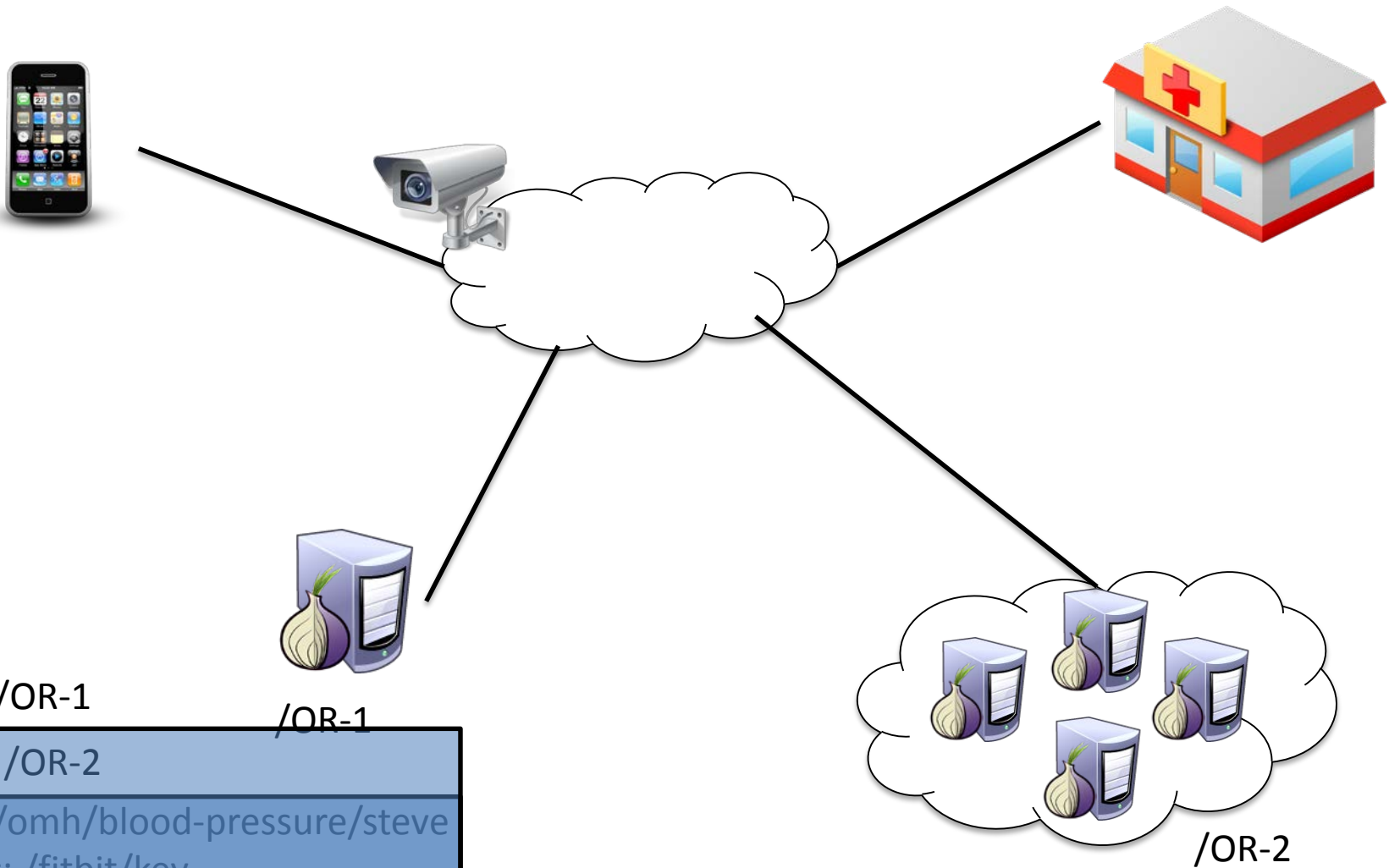
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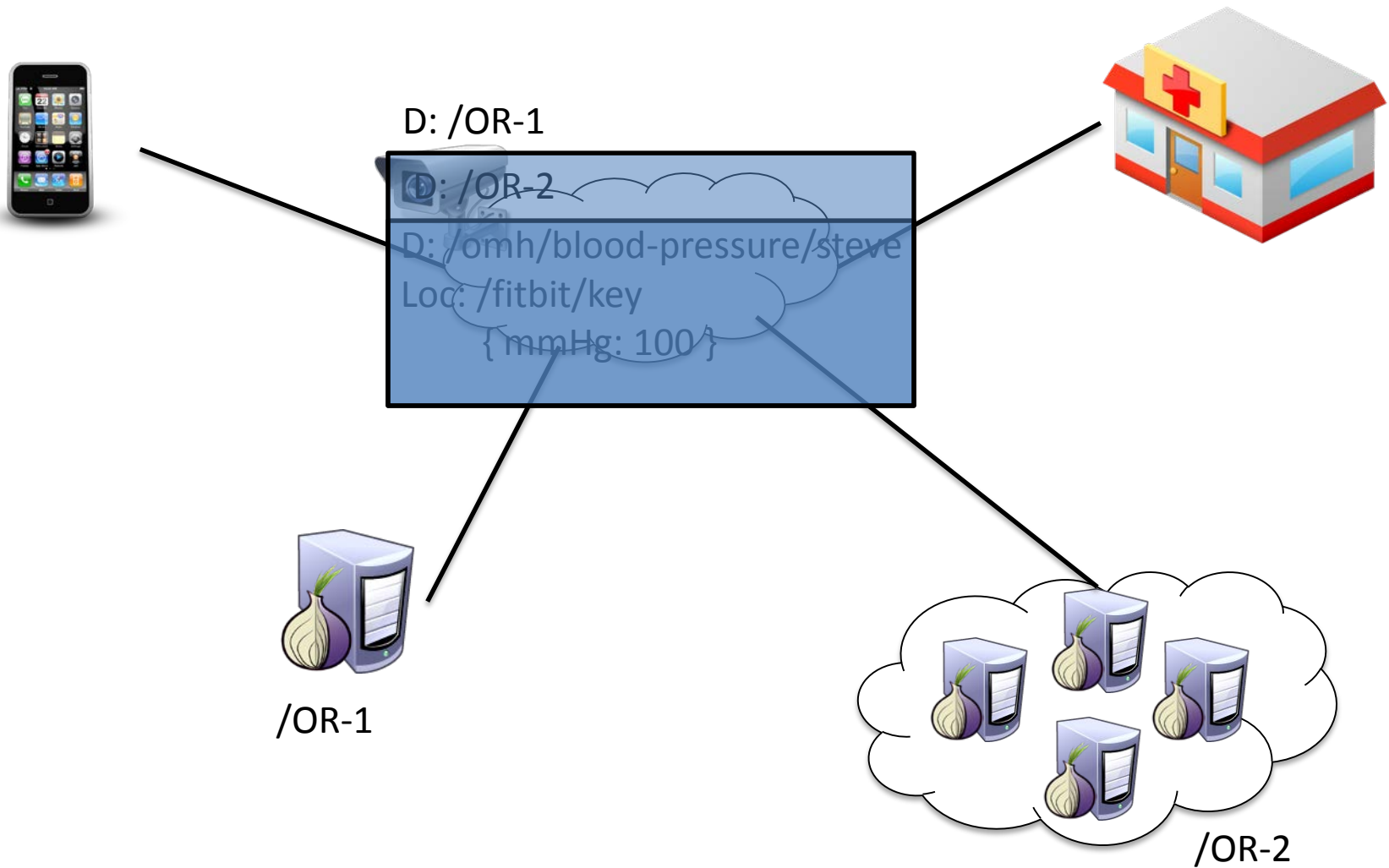
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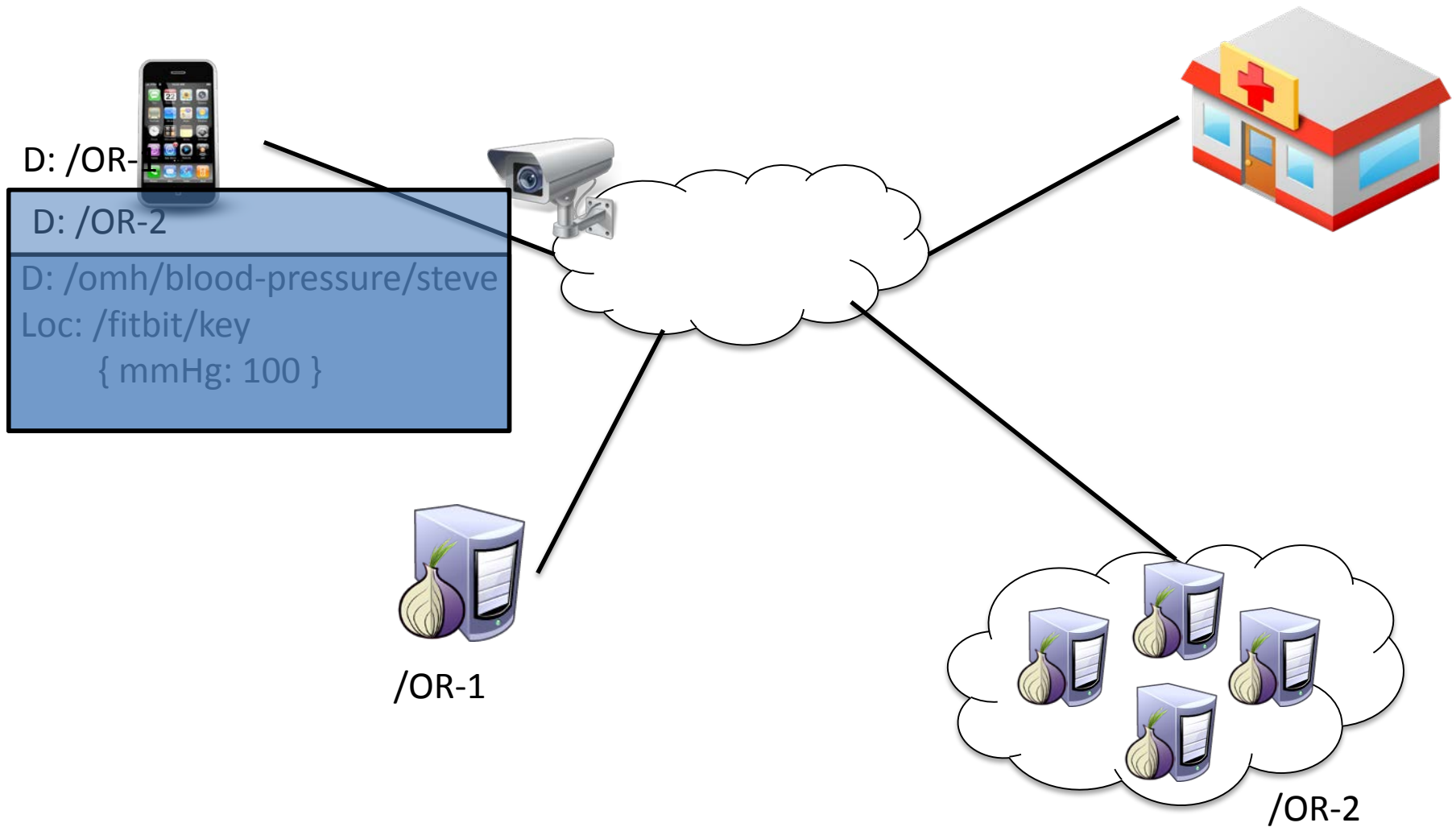
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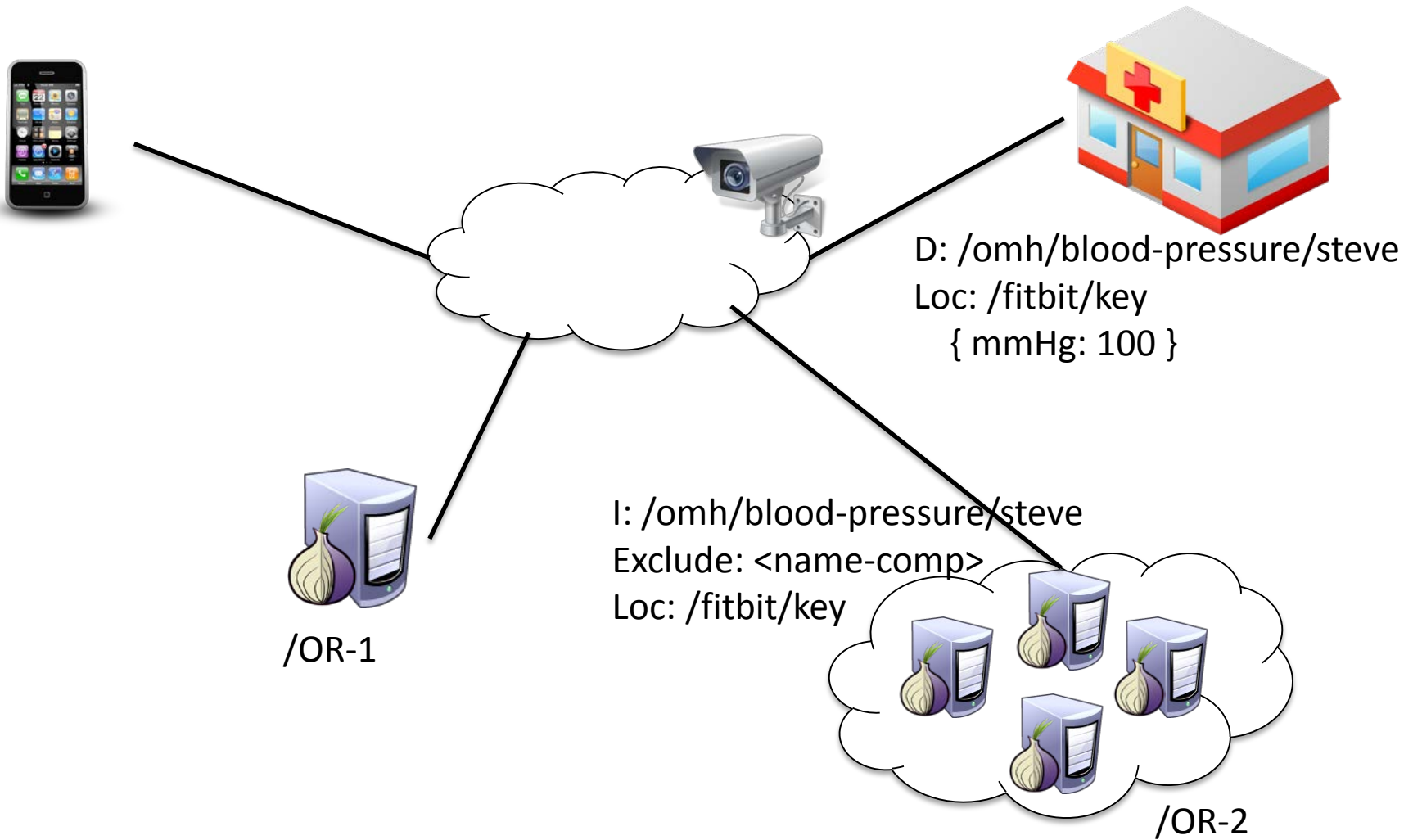
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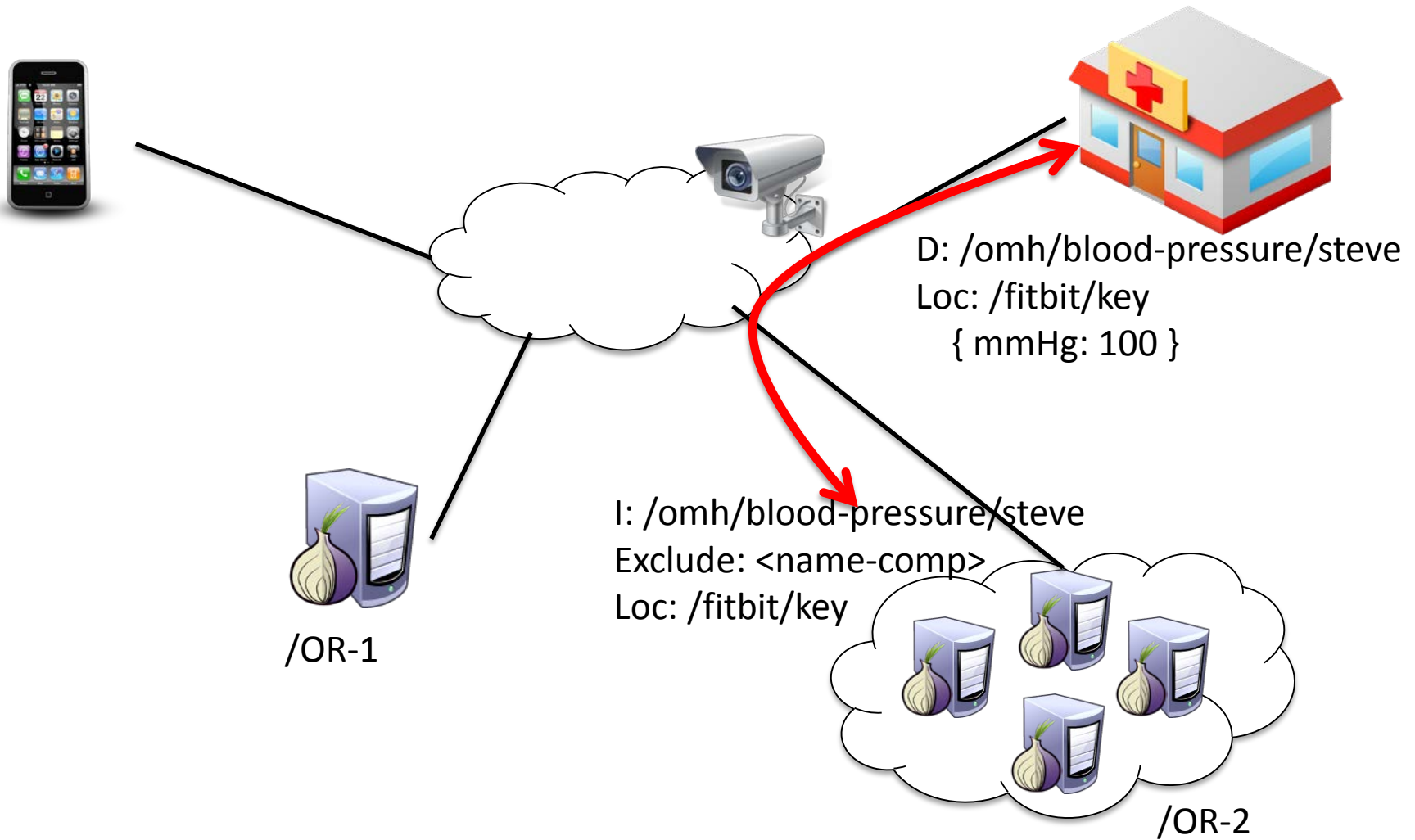
Improvements Over Tor

- Need fewer relays than Tor (2 vs 3)
 - Potentially 1 less Internet-wide RTT
- ANDaNA paths are **HIGHLY** ephemeral
 - No path setup cost
 - Change keys and relays at will during a Data stream without interruption
 - Tor sets up much longer lived circuits in comparison (~ 10 minutes)
- Symmetric key session-based mode also available
 - Can be freely intermixed with public key crypto mode for the same Data stream.
- NDN gives us a lot for free
 - CS improves retransmission and chance for cache hit at exit node
 - OR prefixes can refer to multiple relays
 - OR directory more robust to attacks thanks to signed Data

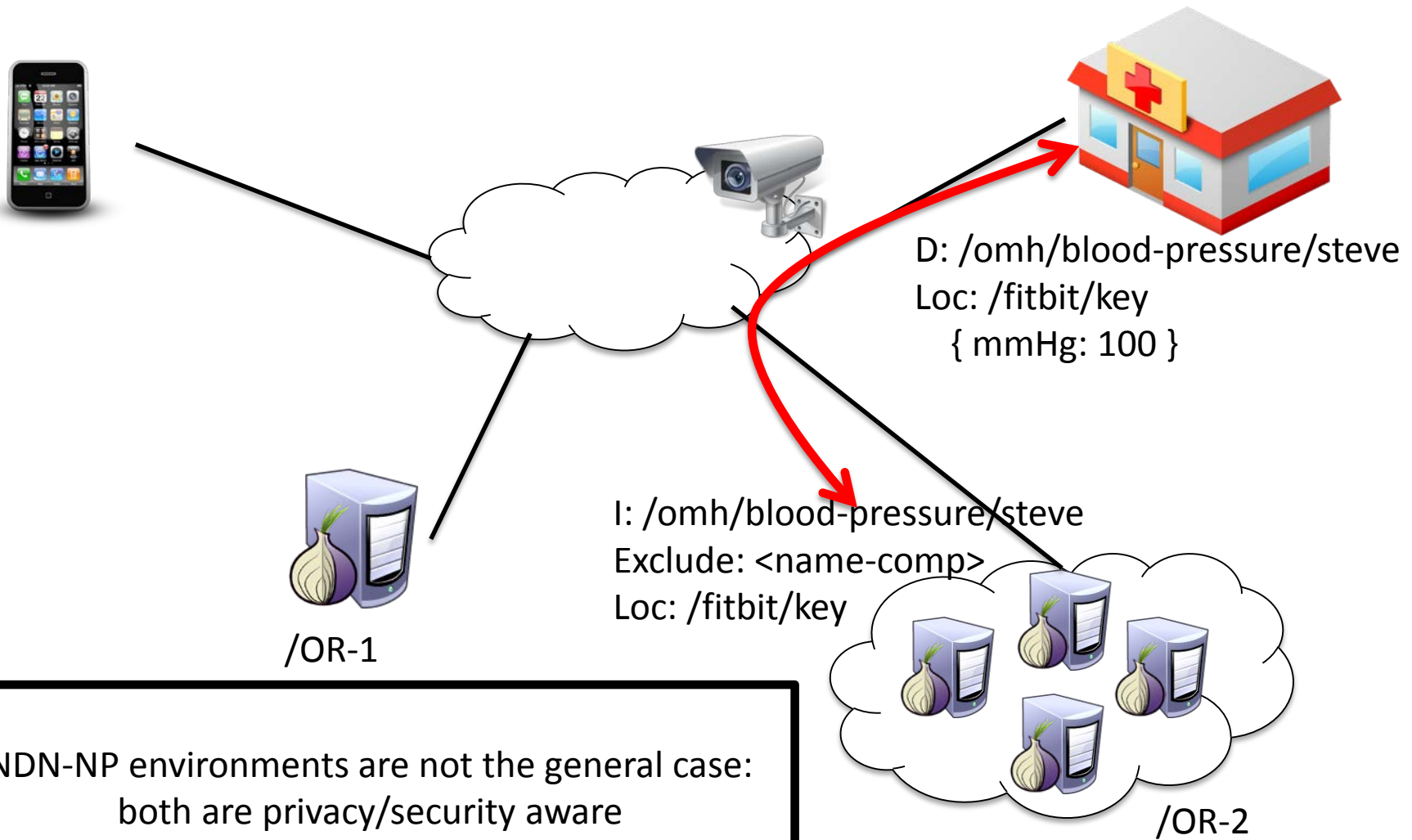
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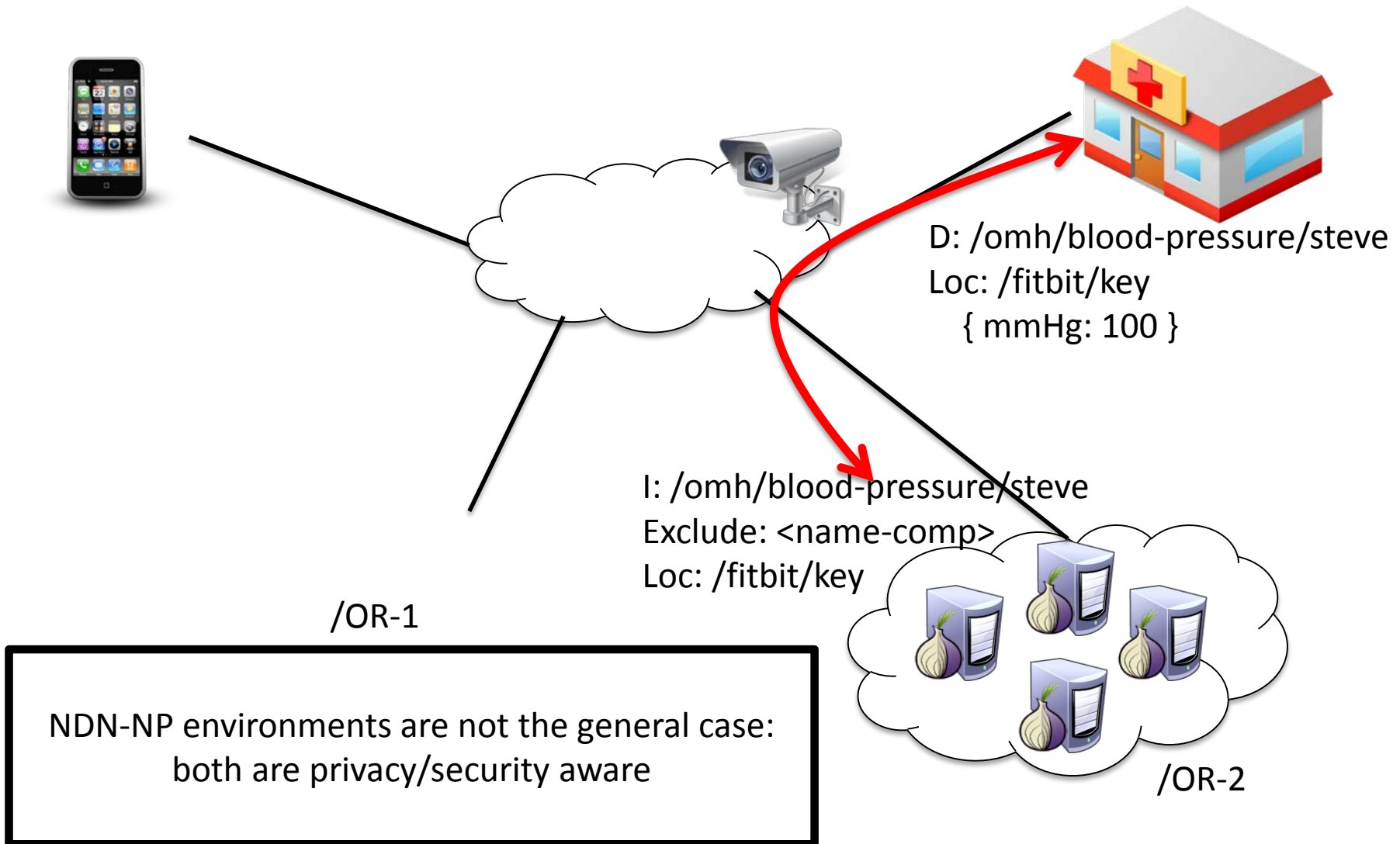


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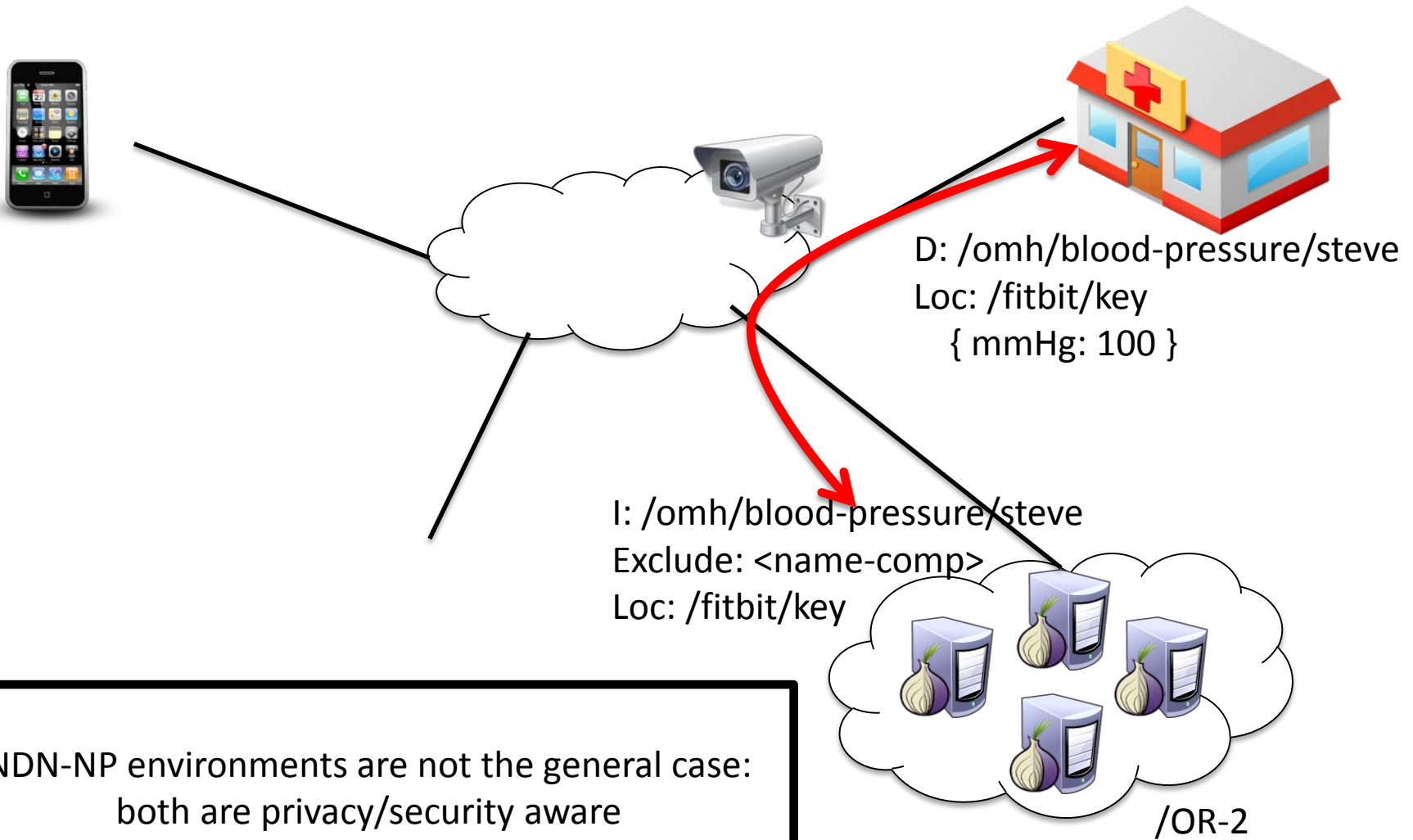


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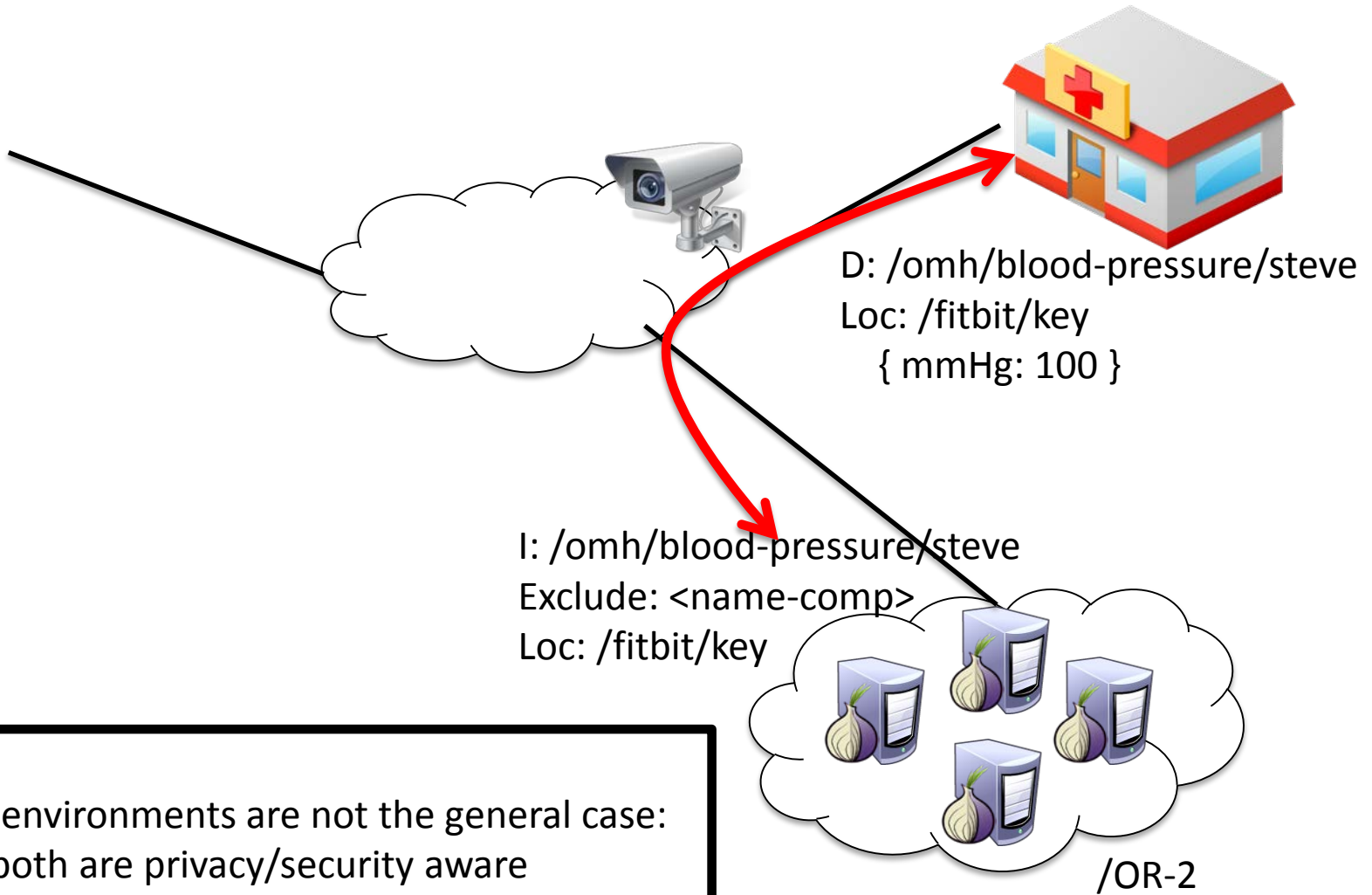


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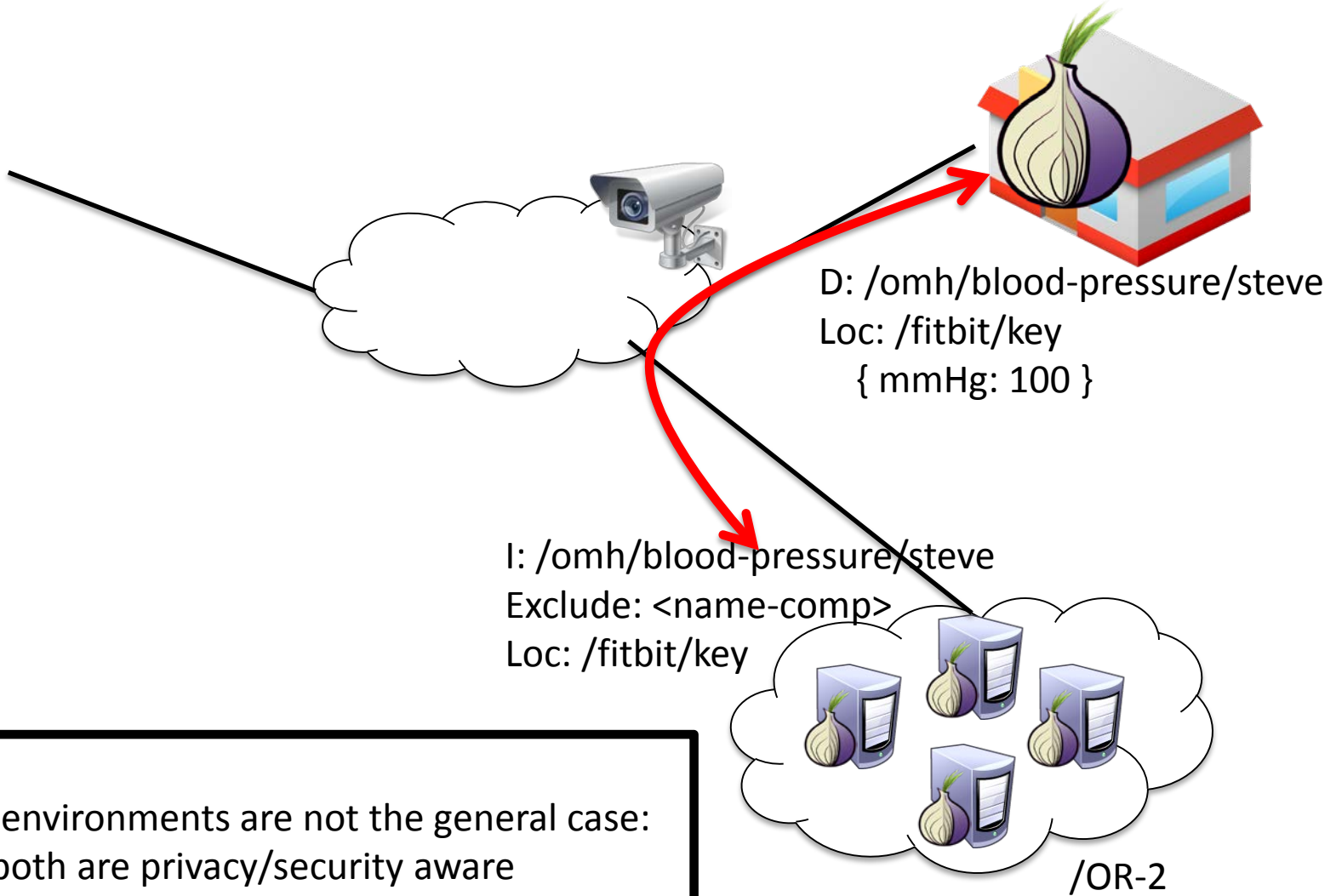
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Summary

- ANDaNA provides a Tor-like service for NDN, but new tradeoffs to consider
- ANDaNA is fundamentally a proxy: use as many (or few) relays as needed

Thoughts

- What's the threat model for NDN-NP?
- Tradeoffs:
 - ANDaNA provides low latency anonymity
 - Mix networks could be used if NDN-NP can tolerate latency
- Implementing confidentiality:
 - Confidentiality must be left to applications.
 - Users don't own the network, but can own overlays