

# Branches of Science...

- How many branches of science do you know.

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## Types of scientists...

- Biology – The study of life.
  - Geology – The study of Earth.
  - Chemistry – The study of Matter.
  - Physics – The study of matter and energy.
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**Oceanography:** study of the earth's oceans and their interlinked ecosystems and chemical and physical processes

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**Ornithology:** the study of birds

**Paleontology:** the study of life-forms existing in former geological time periods

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**Petrology:** the geological and chemical study of rocks

**Physics:** the study of the behavior and properties of matter

**Physiology:** the study of the mechanical, physical, and biochemical functions of living organisms

**Radiology:** the branch of medicine dealing with the applications of radiant energy, including x-rays and radioisotopes

**Seismology:** the study of earthquakes and the movement of waves through the Earth

**Taxonomy:** the science of classification of animals and plants

**Thermodynamics:** the physics of energy, heat, work, entropy and the spontaneity of processes

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The Scientific Method: A way to ask and answer scientific questions by making observations and doing experiments.



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**Procedures**  
**(Experiments)**

**Hypotheses**



**Procedures  
(Experiments)**

**Data  
(Results)**

Conclusion: What you learned from the results of your experiment.



# Hypotheses

A proposed explanation made on the basis of limited evidence and is a starting point for further investigation.

- More than just an educated guess.
- It is testable, you can perform an experiment and determine if the hypothesis is correct.
- Based on current or previous observations.



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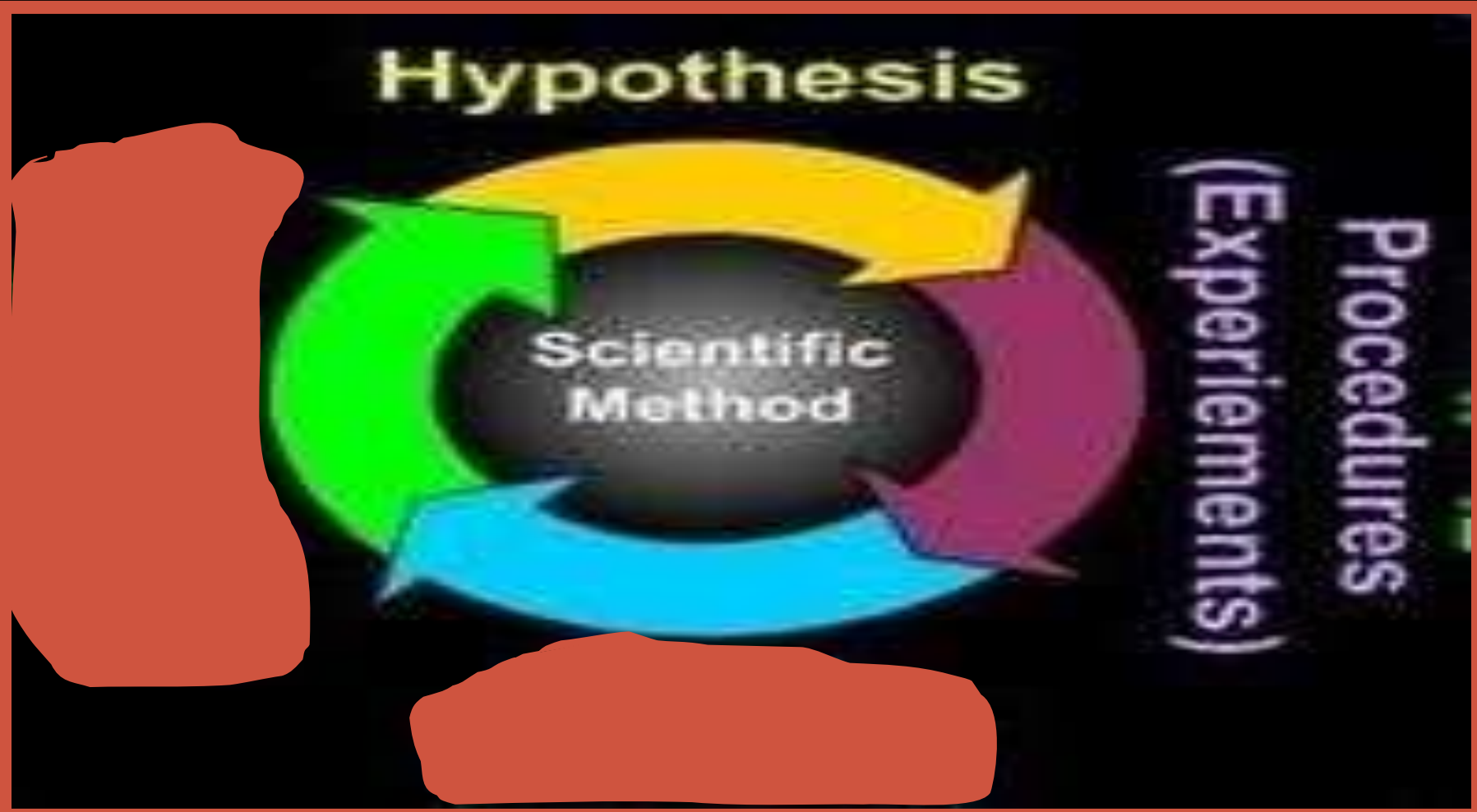
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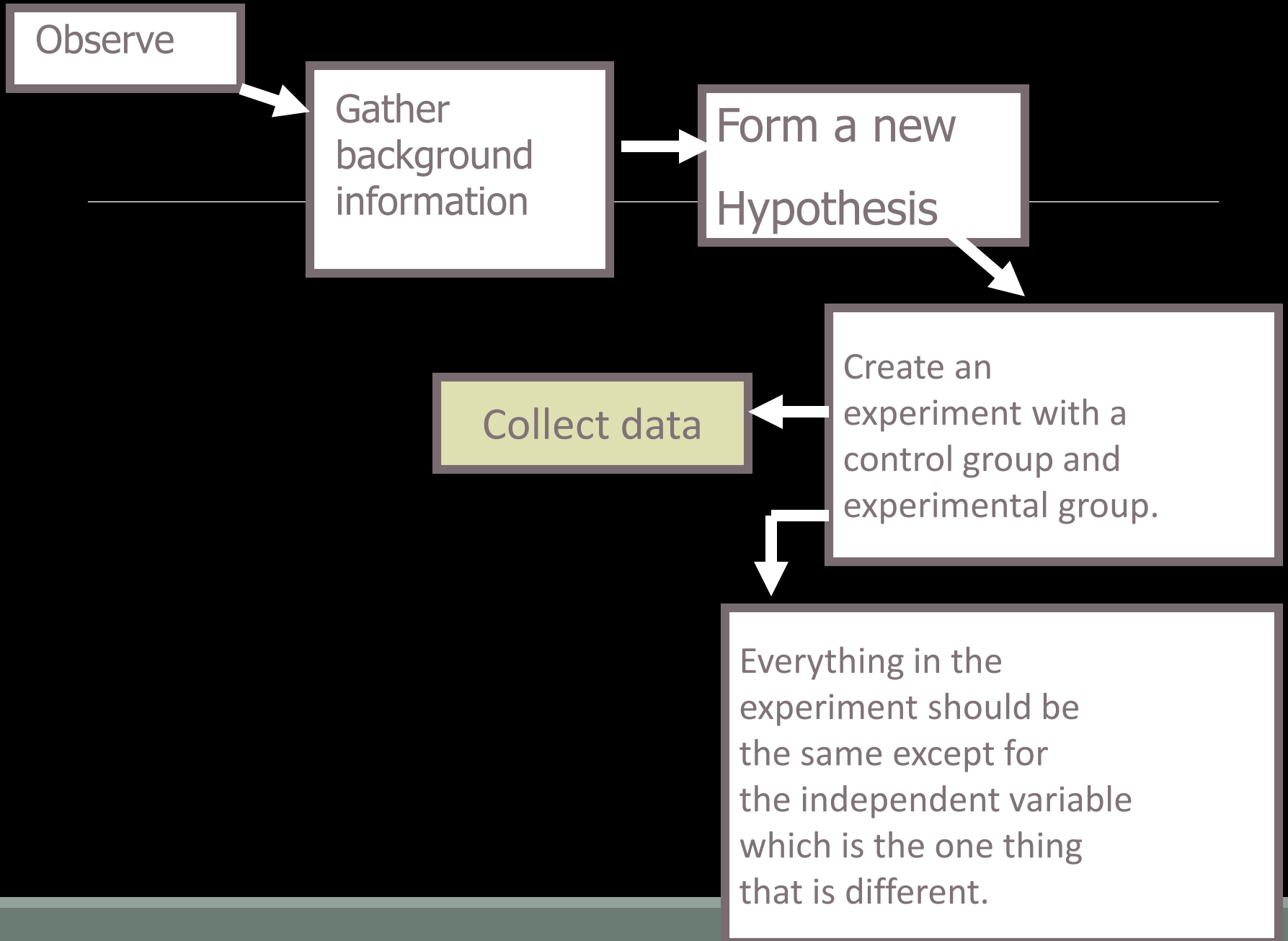
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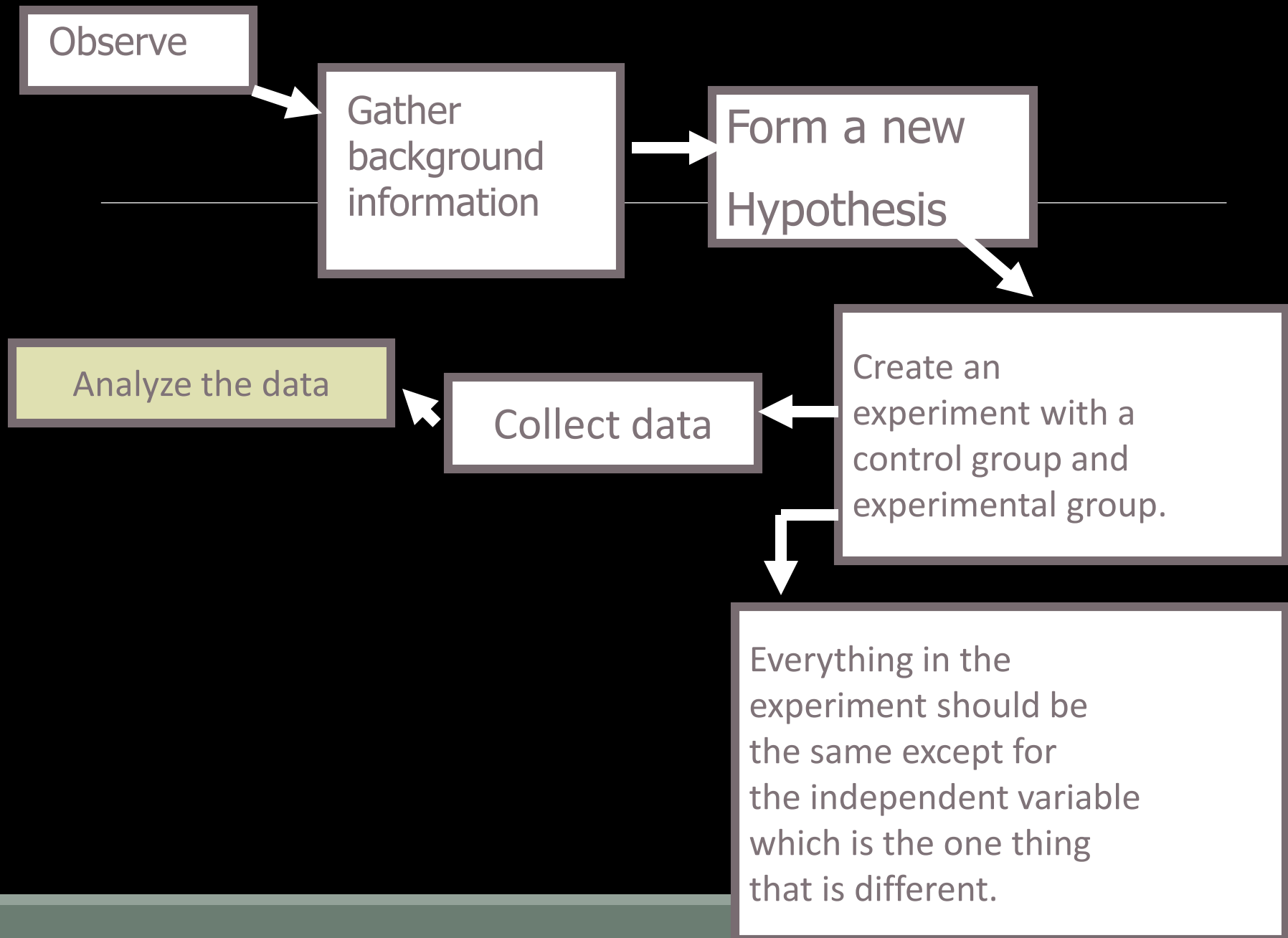
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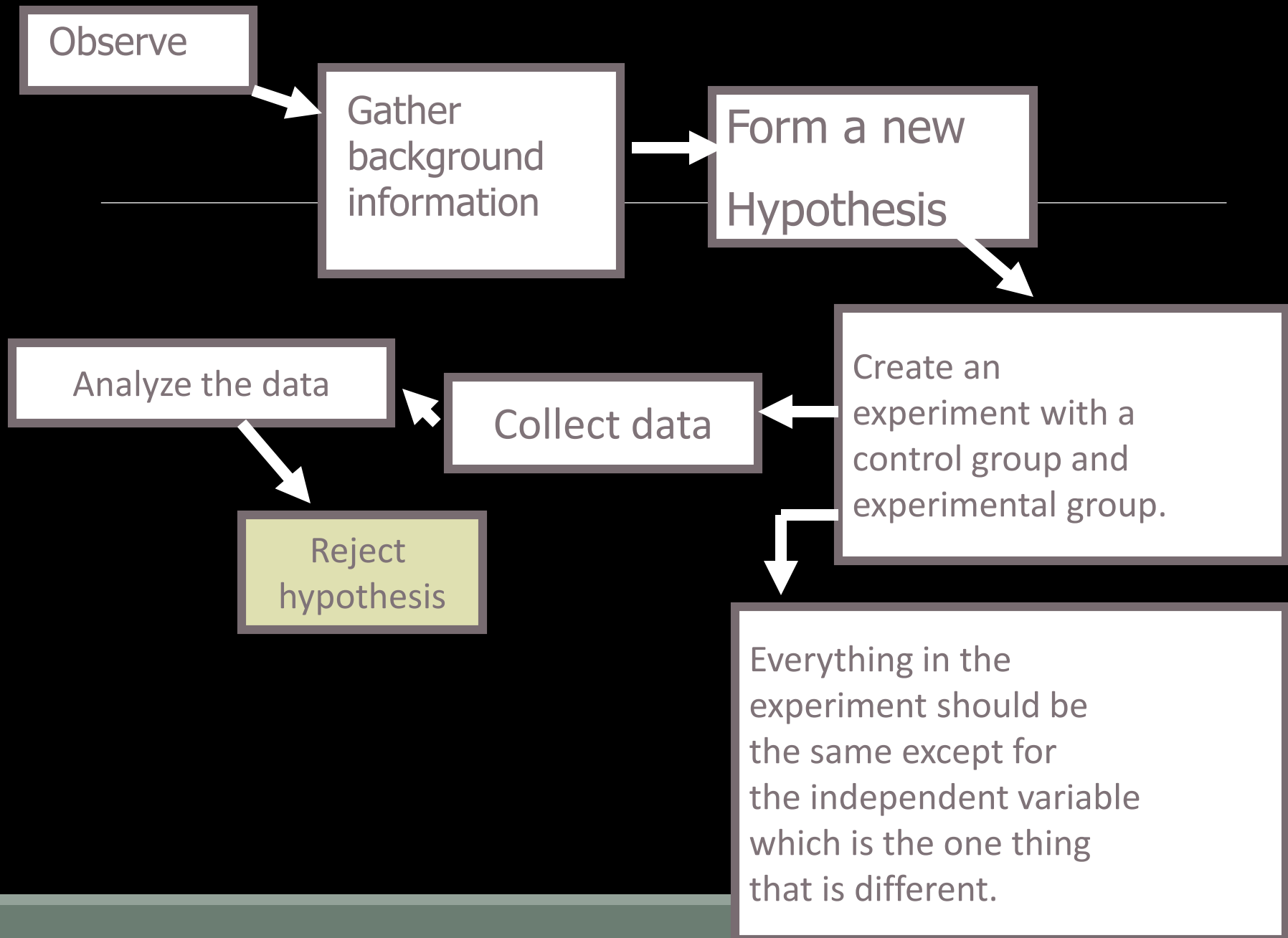
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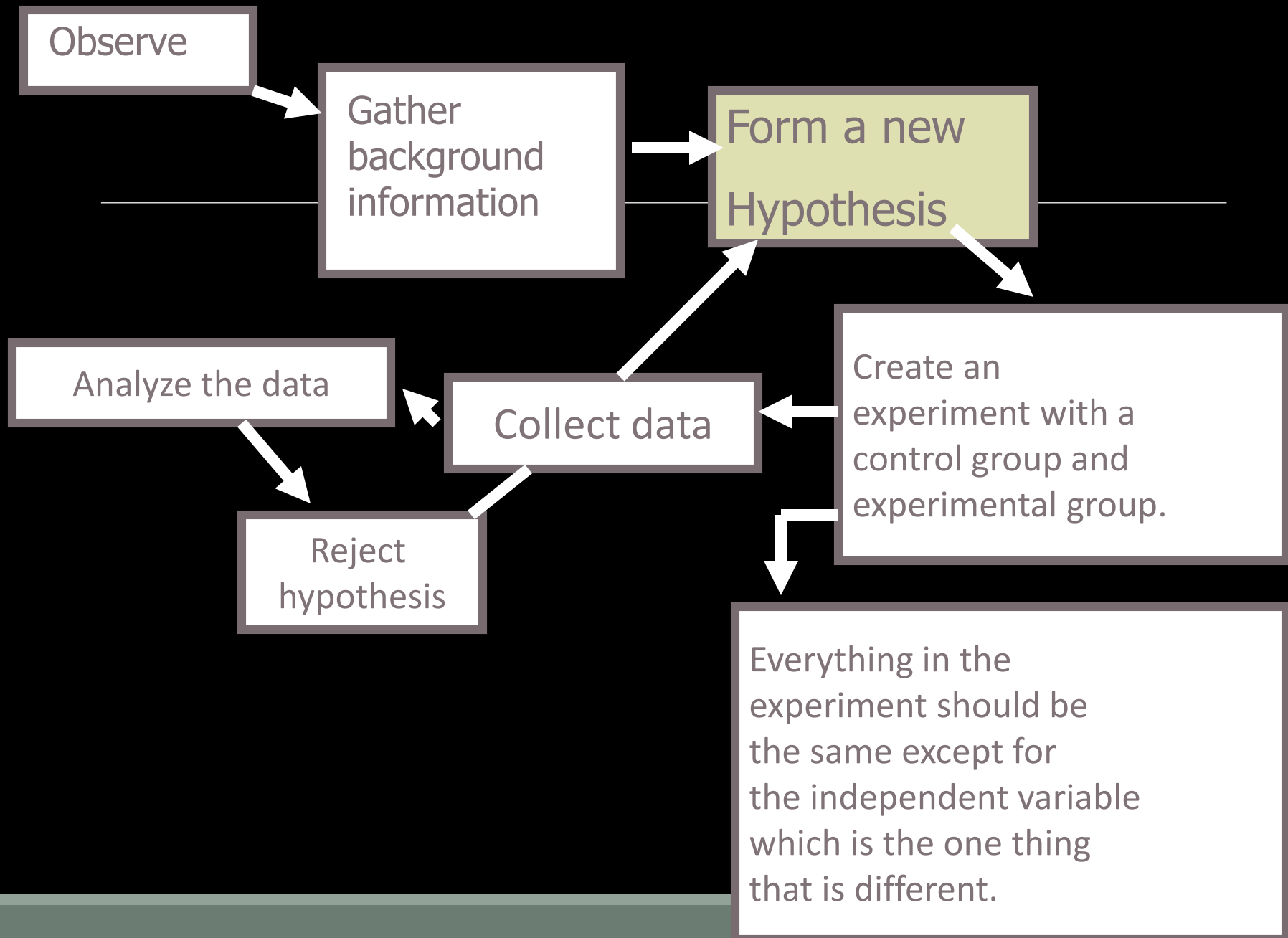
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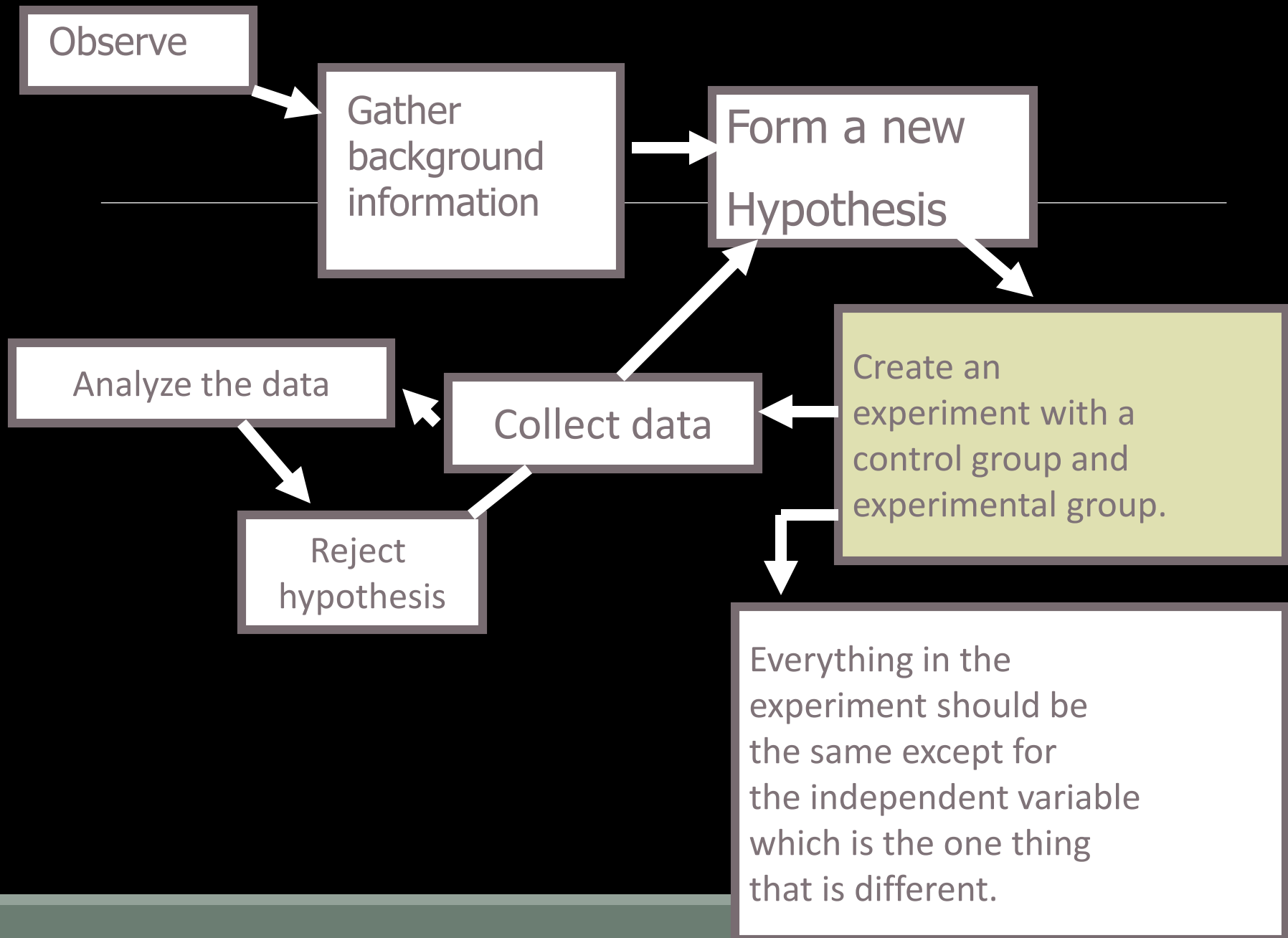
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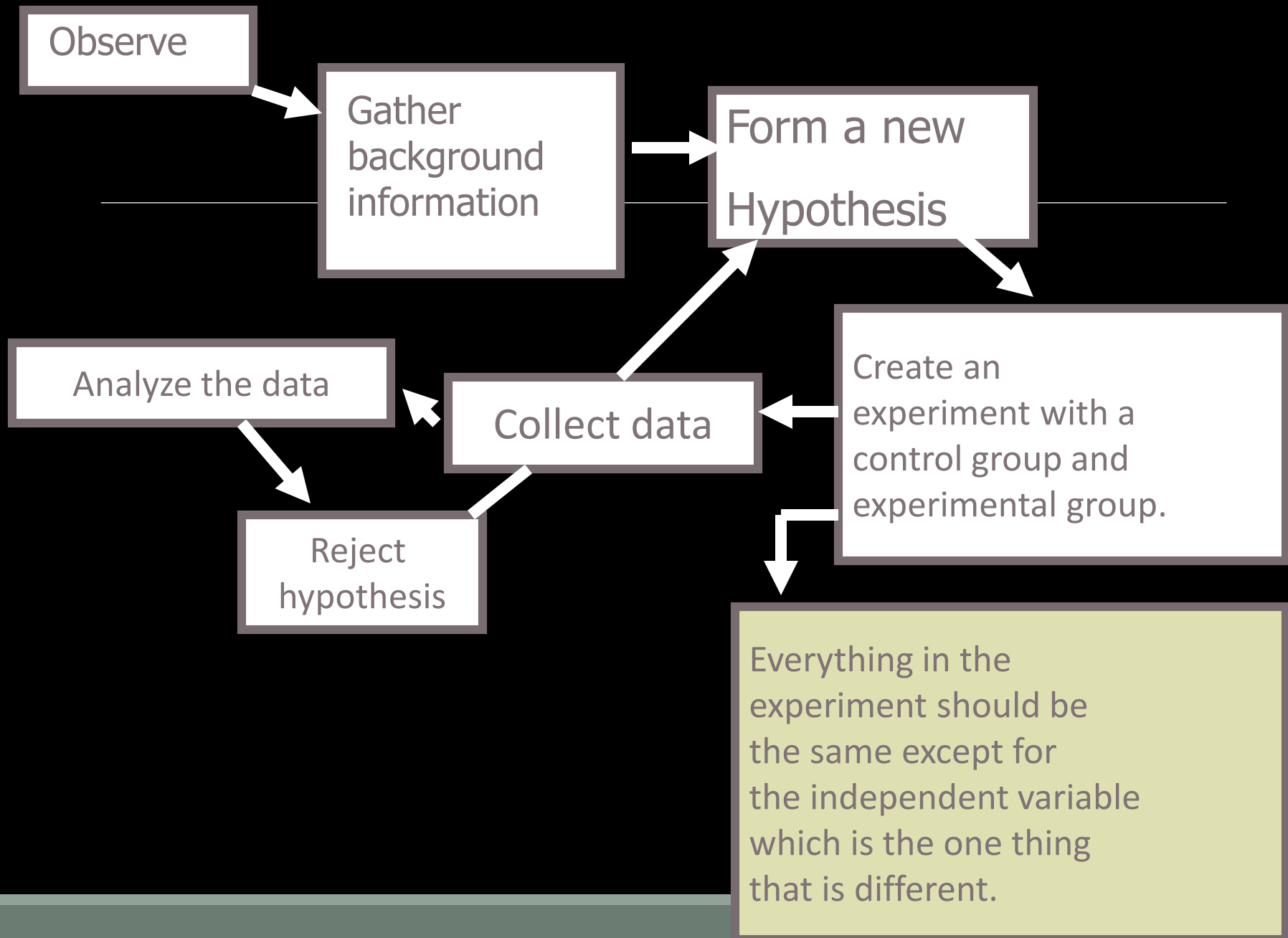
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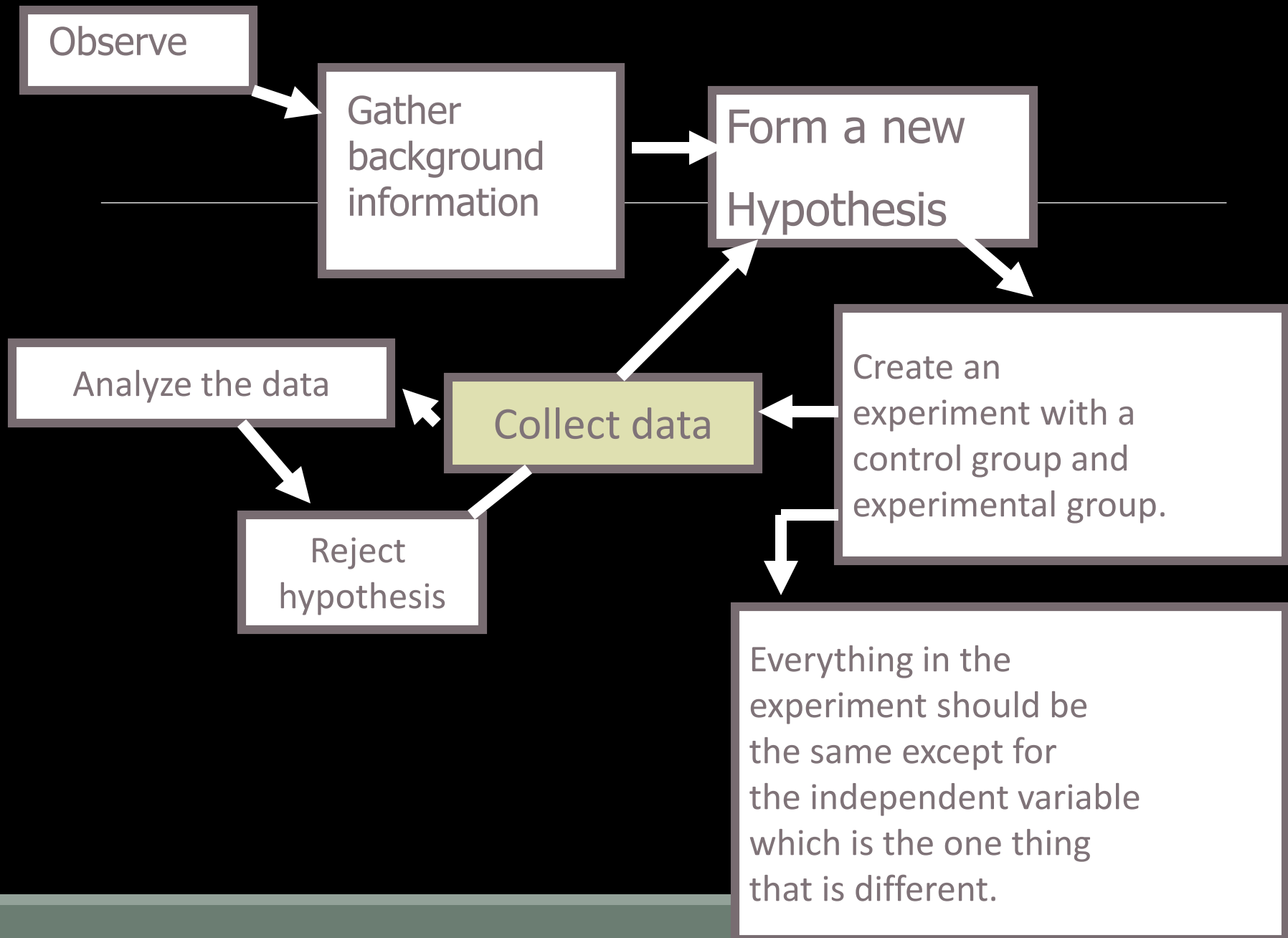
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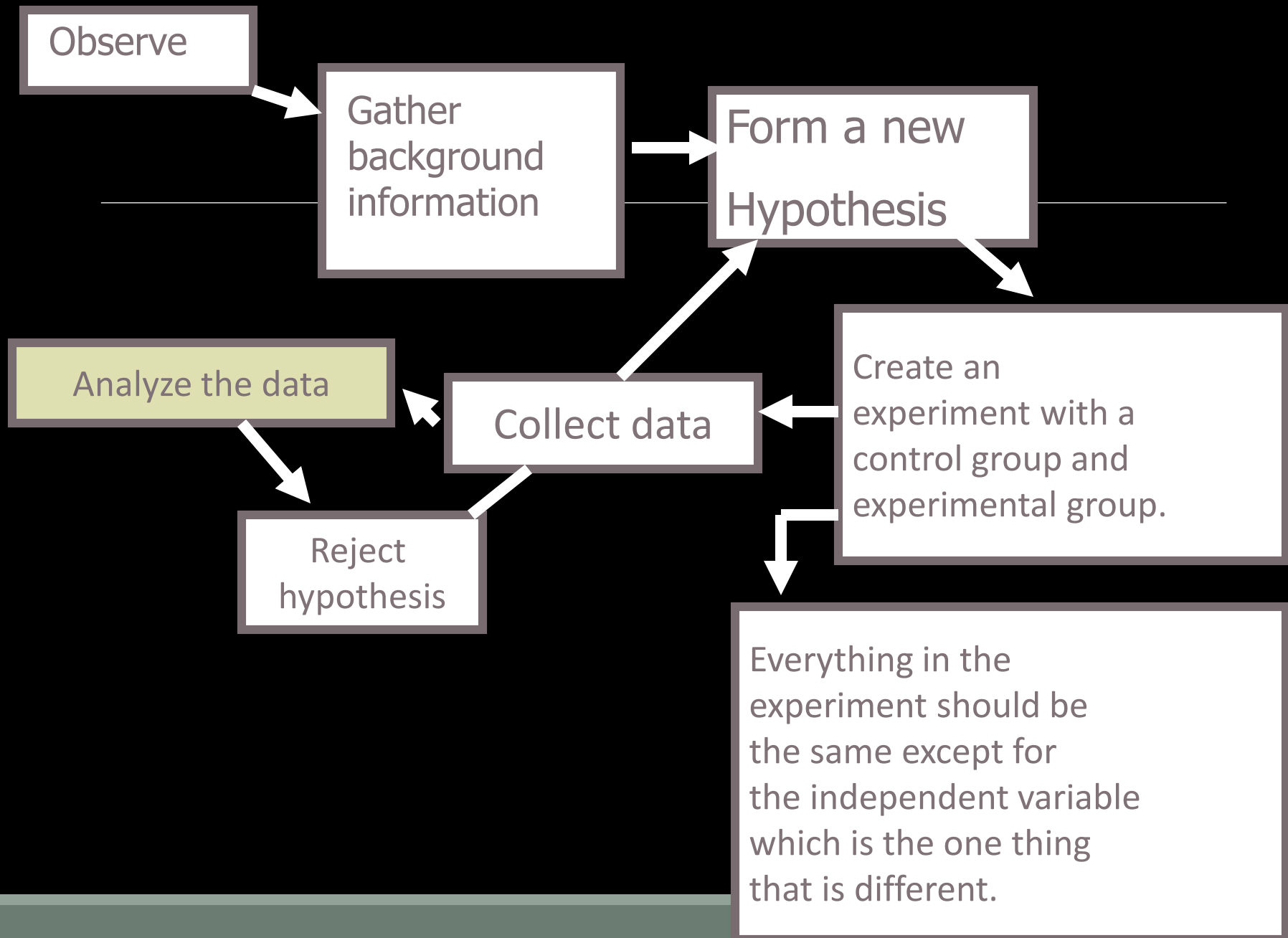
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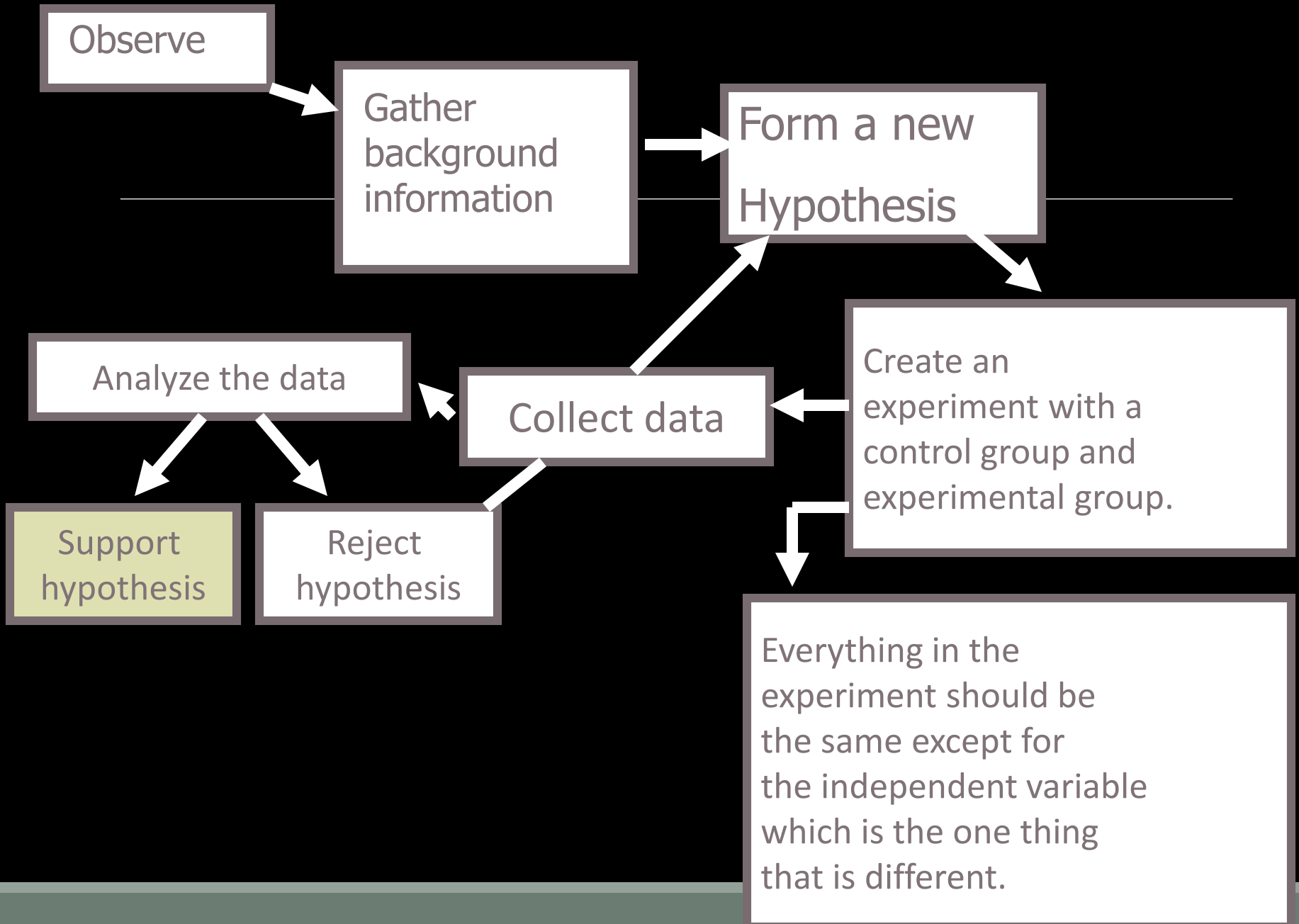
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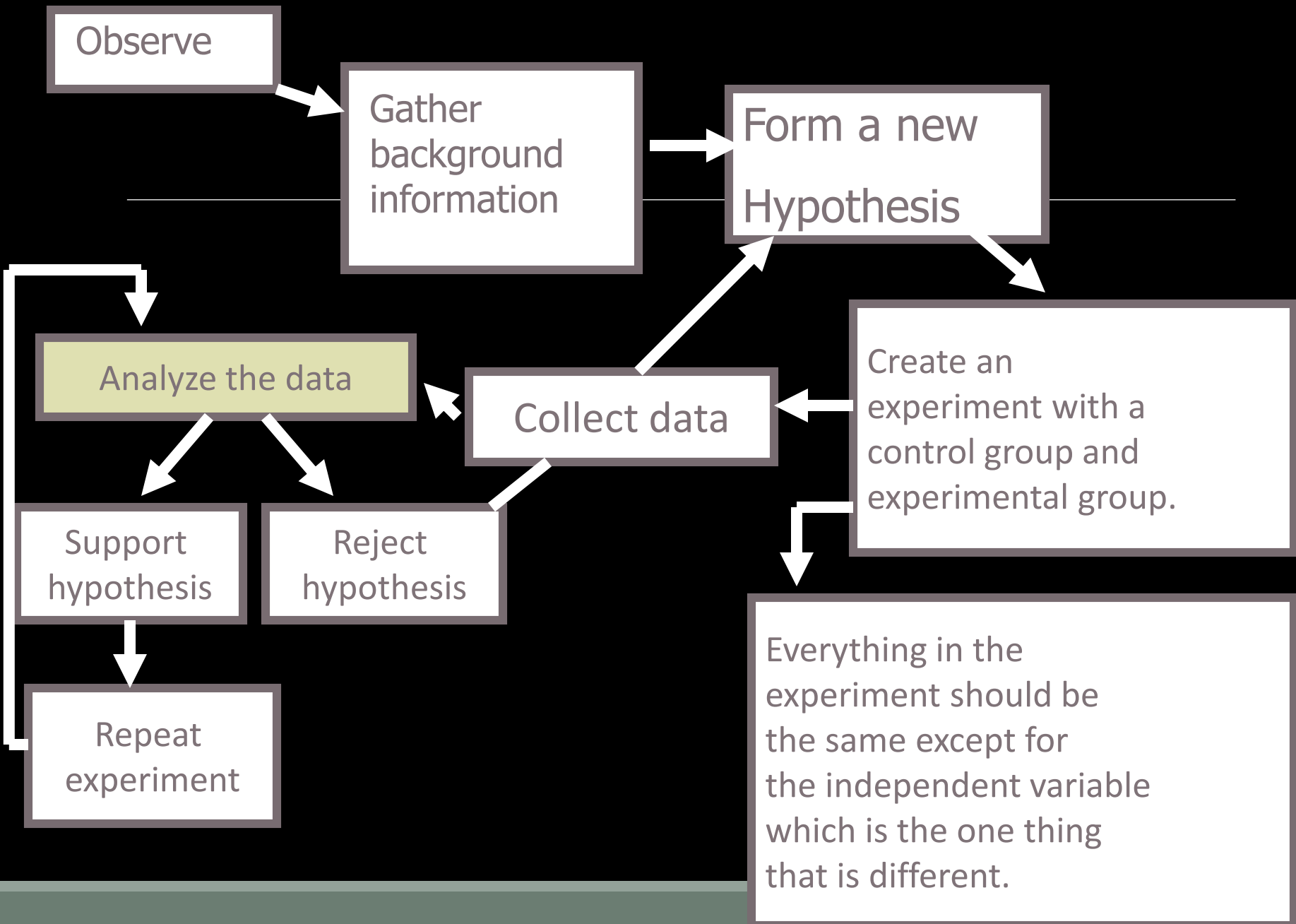
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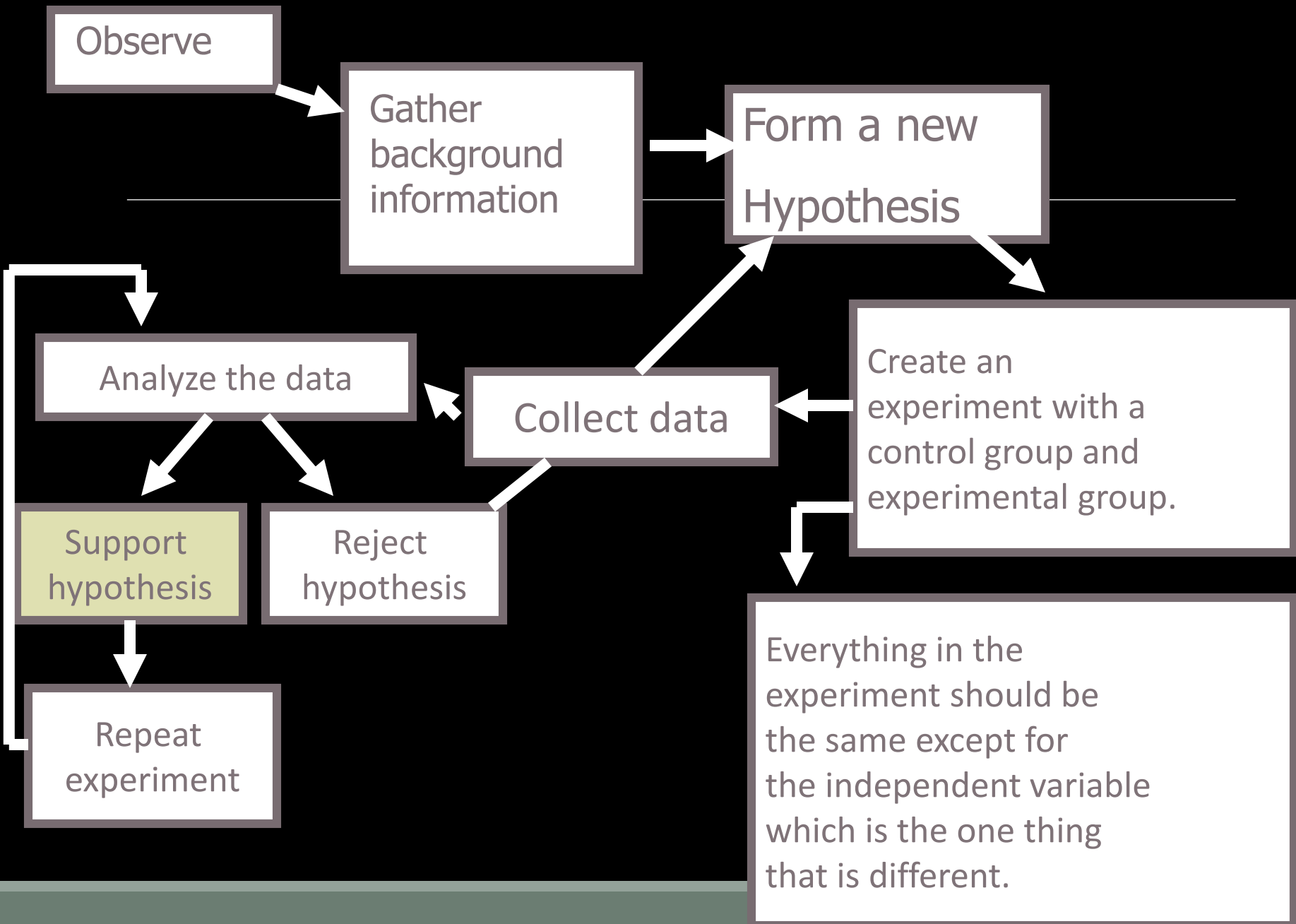
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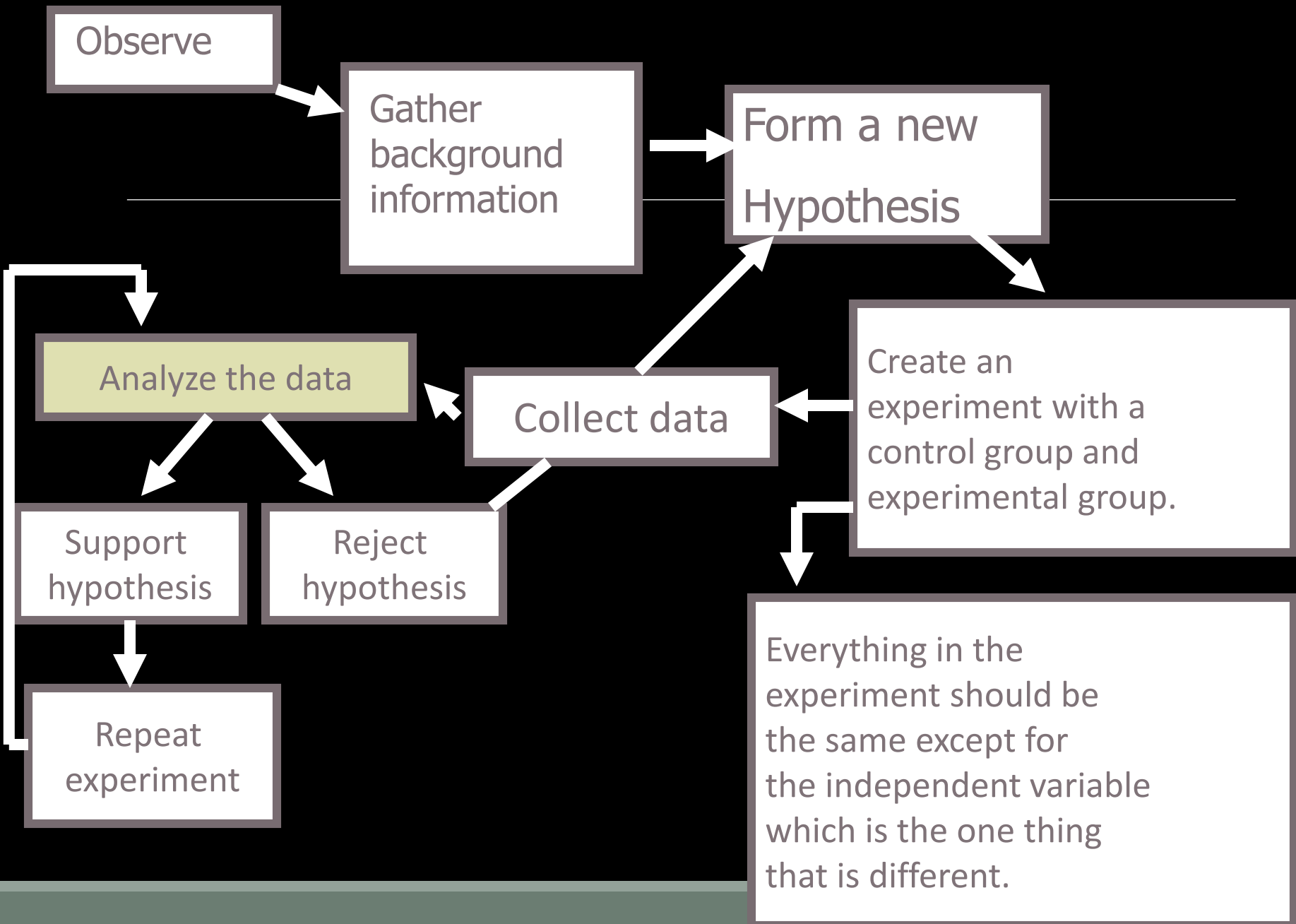
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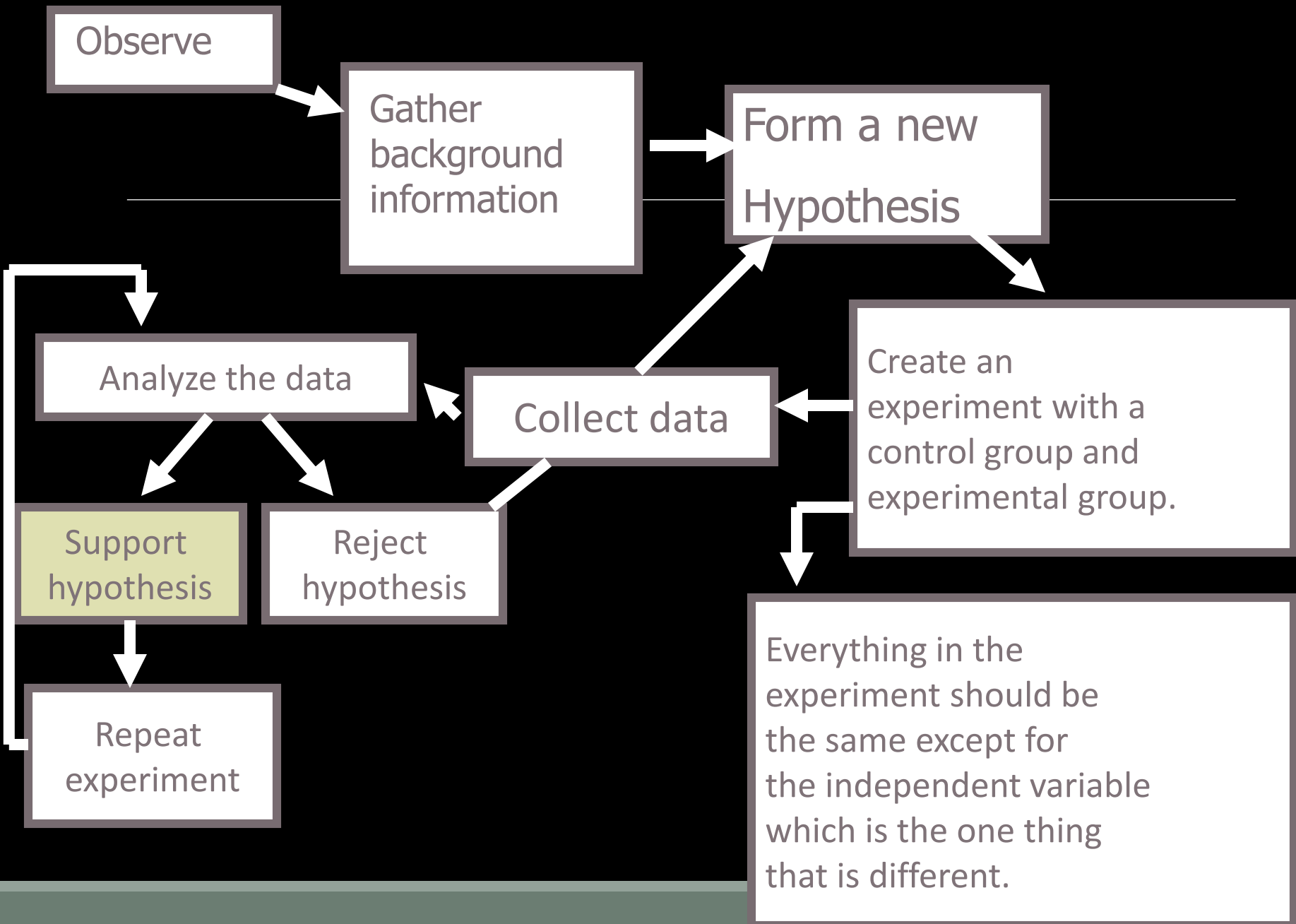
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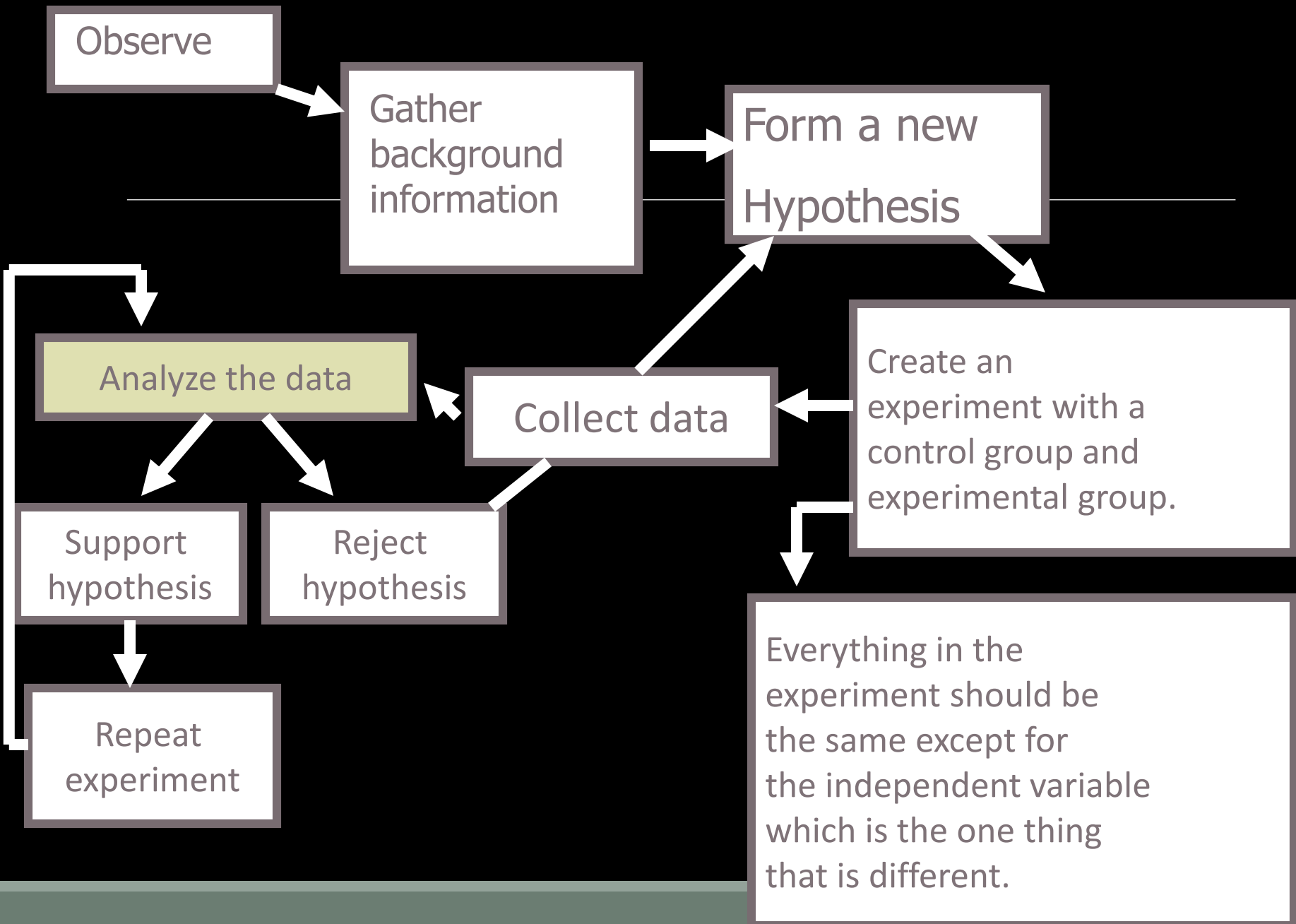
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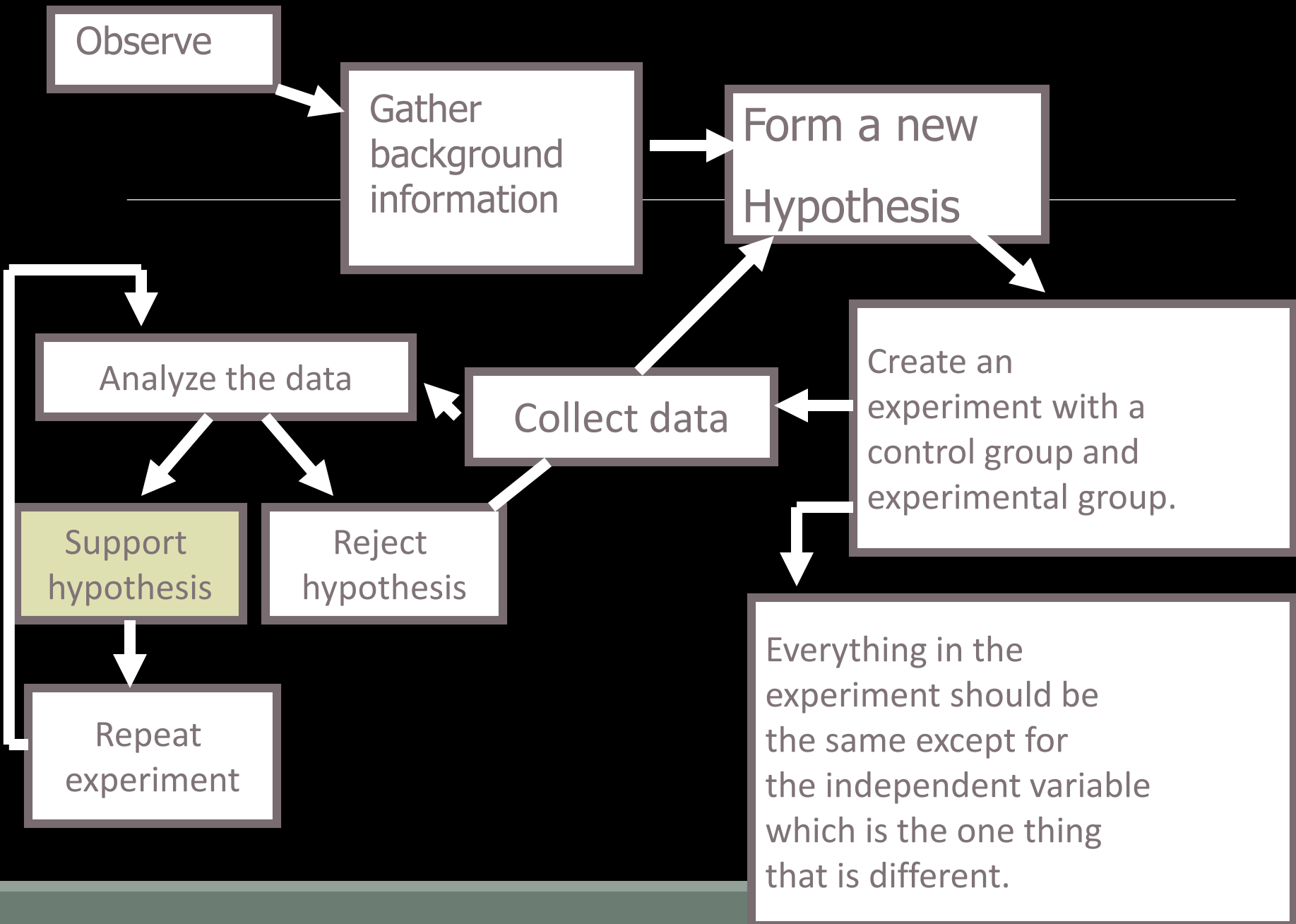
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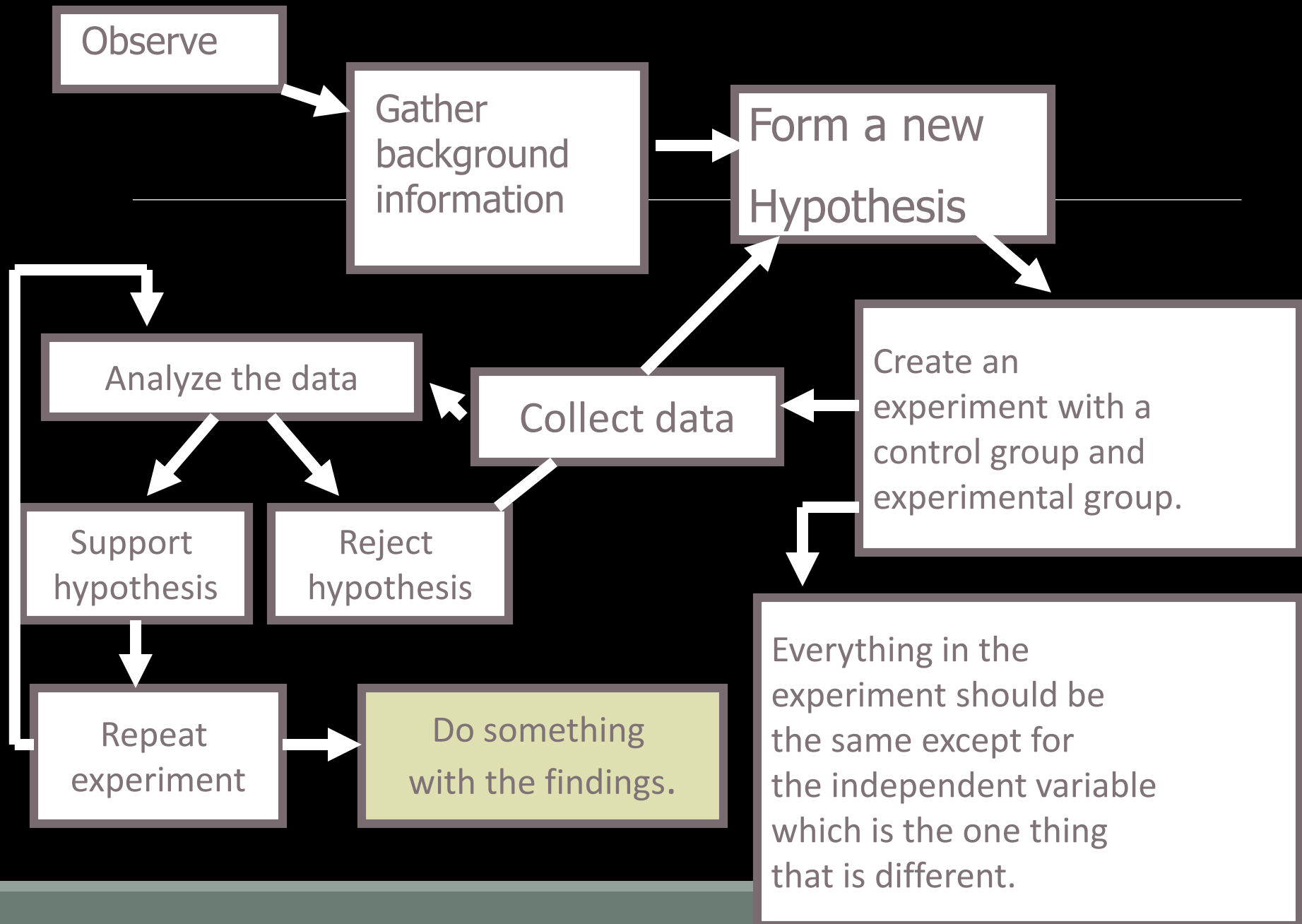
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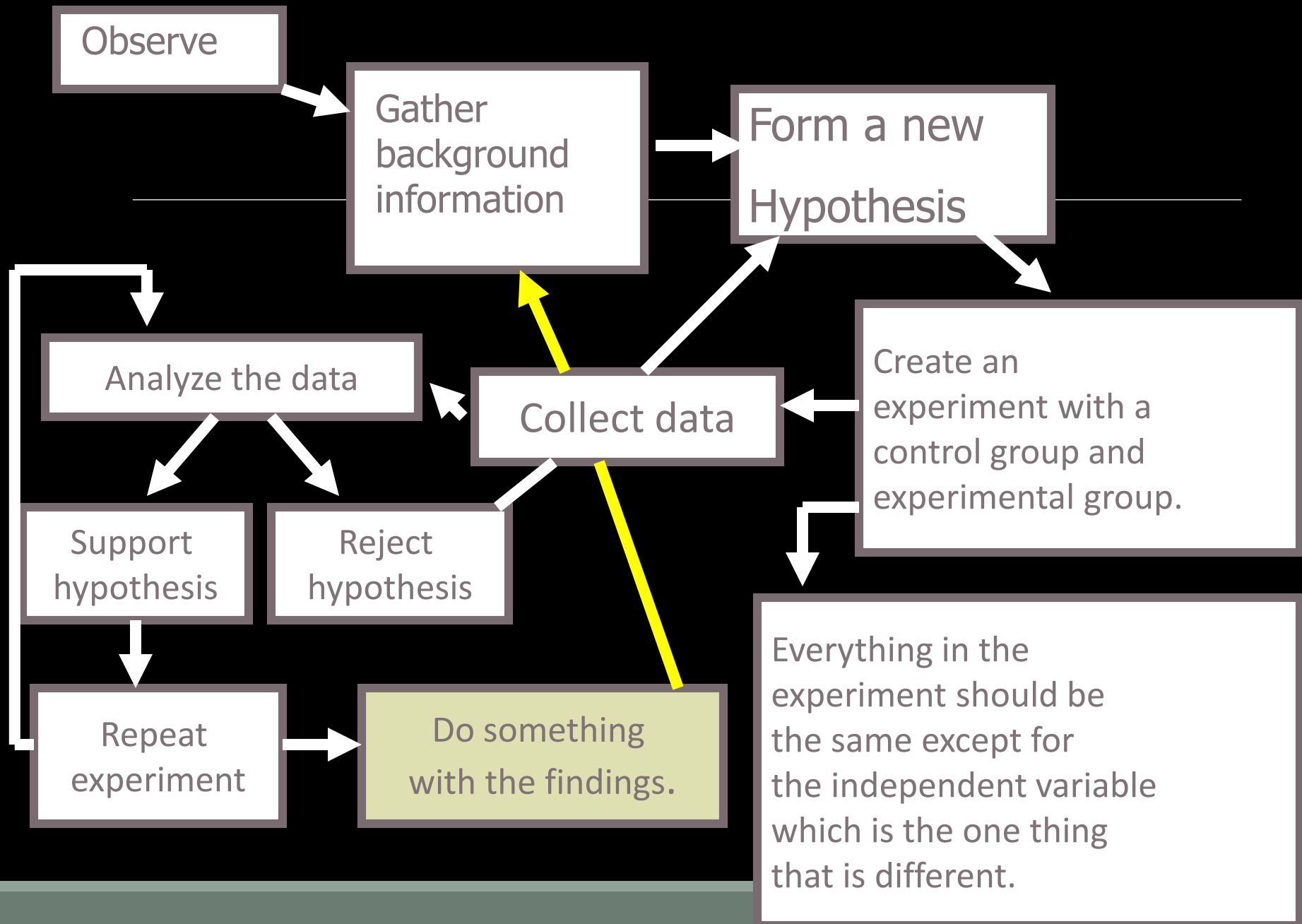
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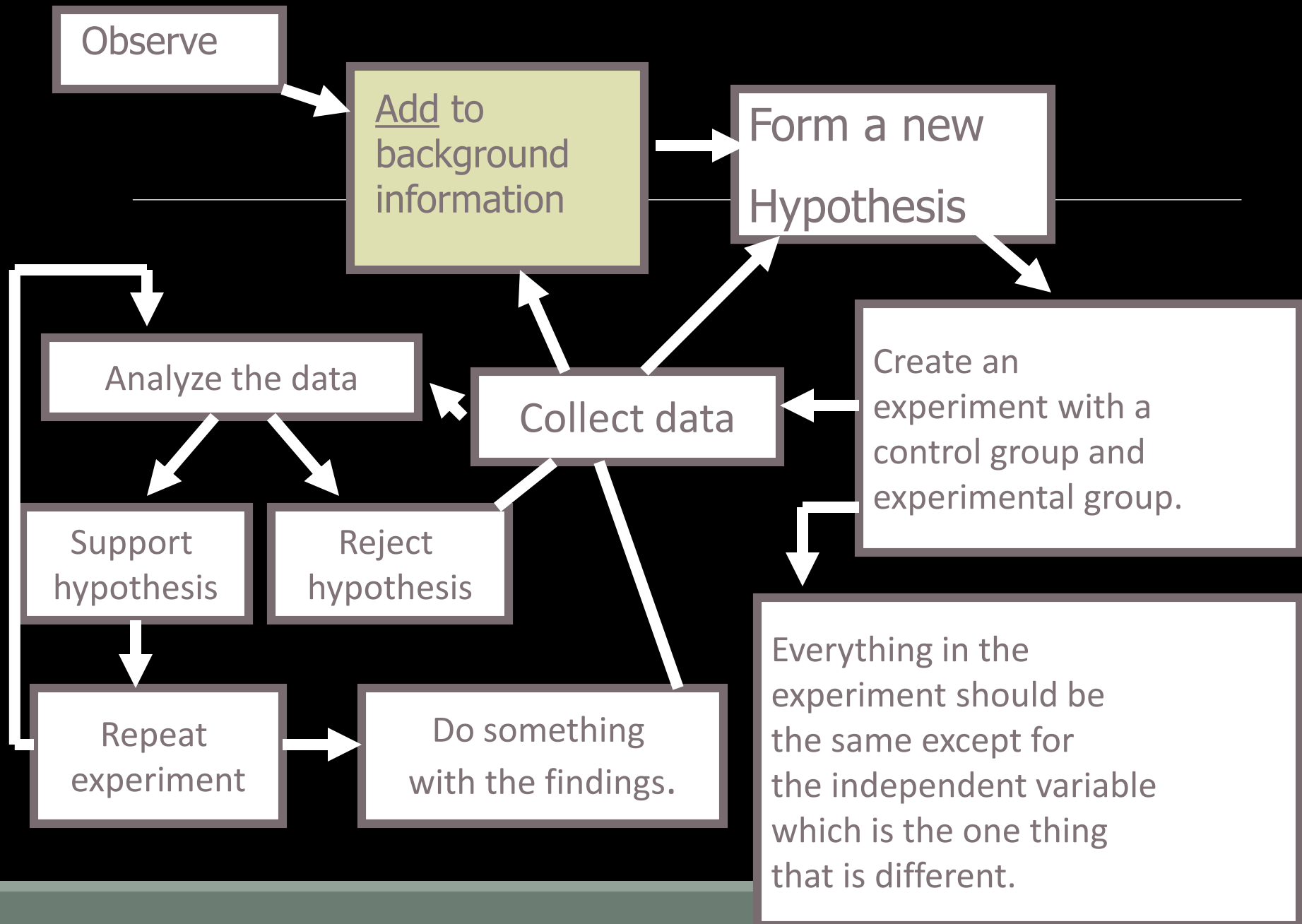
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Experiments search for cause and effect relationships in nature.

These changing quantities are called variables.

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Variable: Changing quantity of something.

- -Independent Variable: The variable you have control over, what you can choose and manipulate.
  - -Dependent: (Observe) What you measure in the experiment and what is affected during the experiment.
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Fertilizer





What might the dependent variable be?



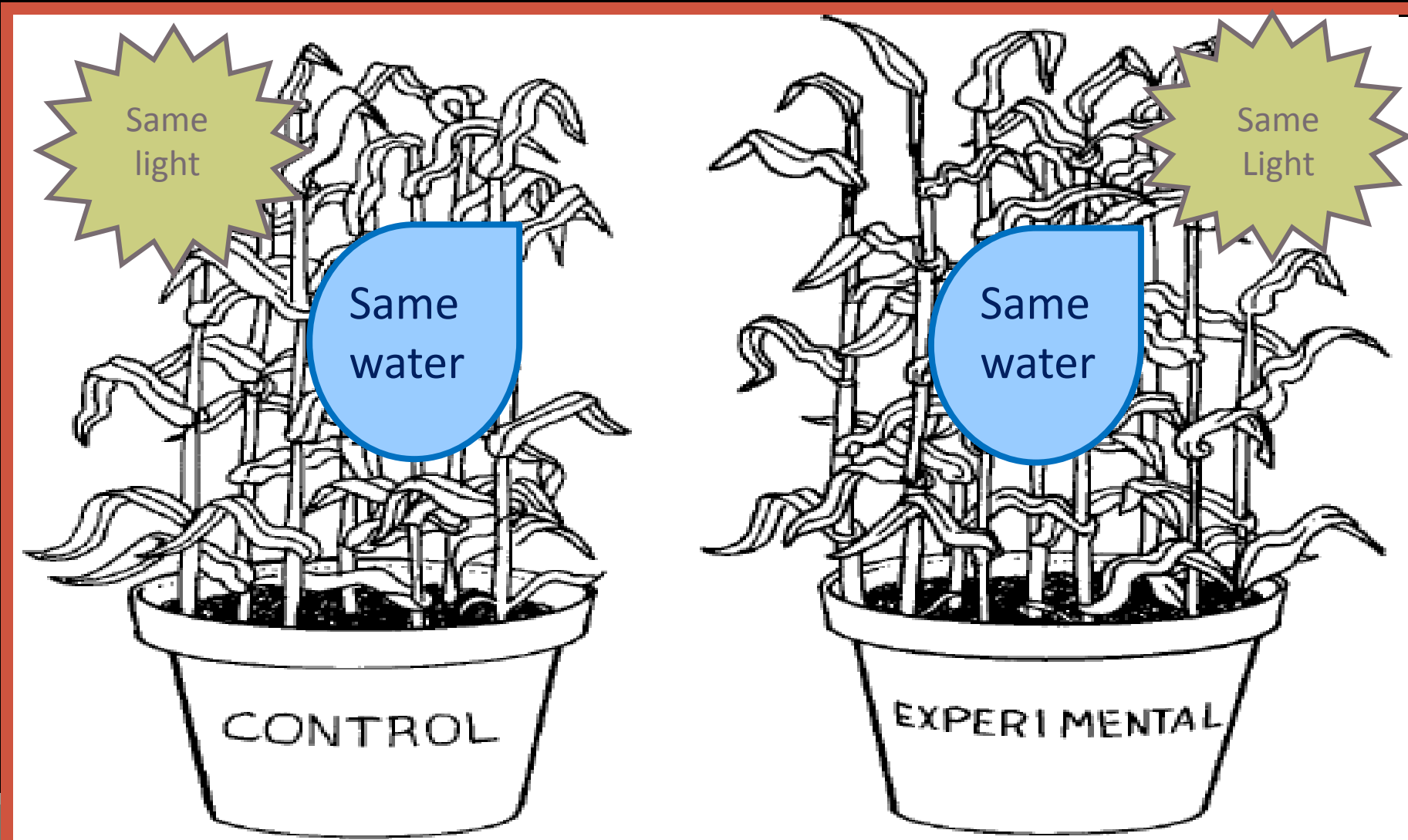
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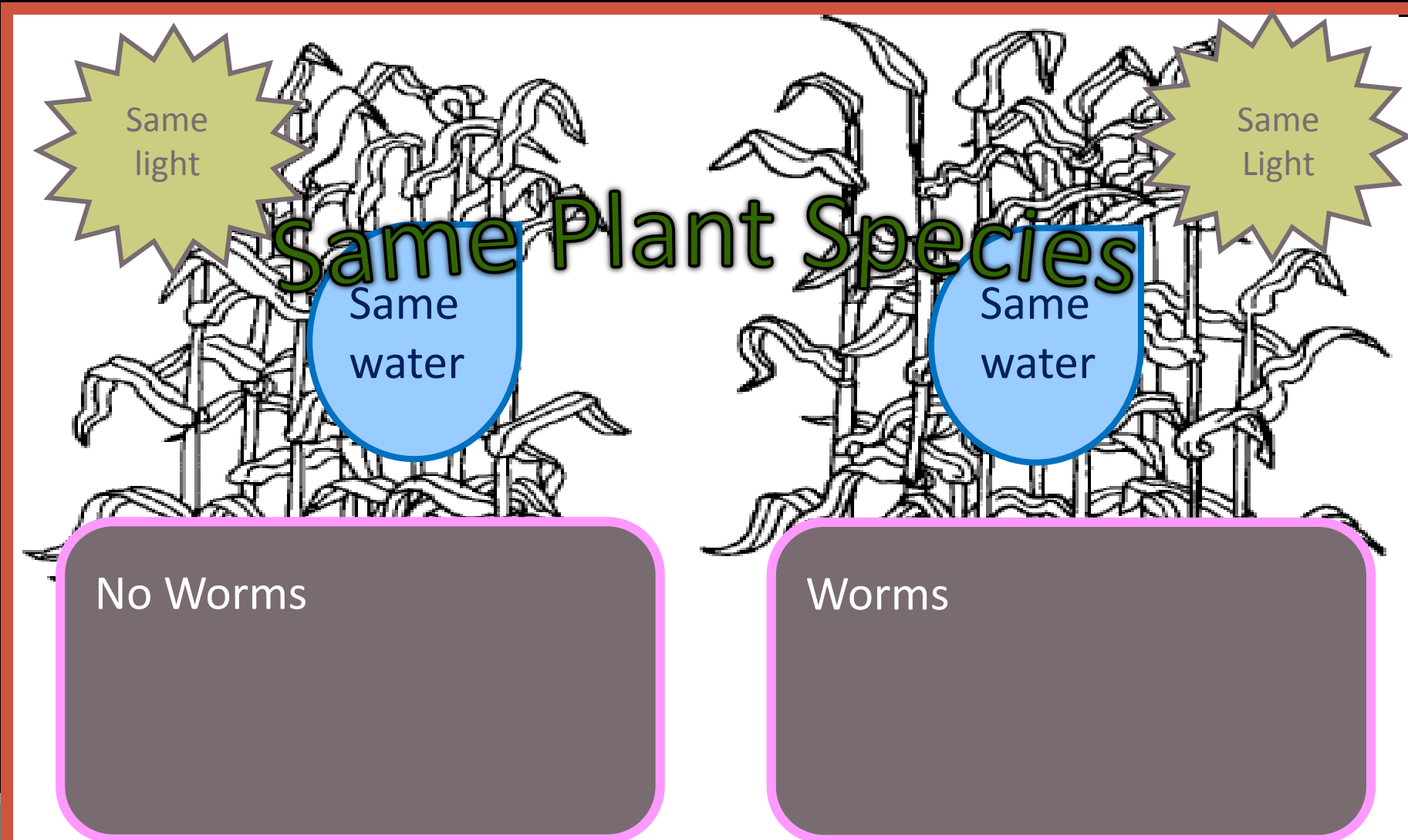
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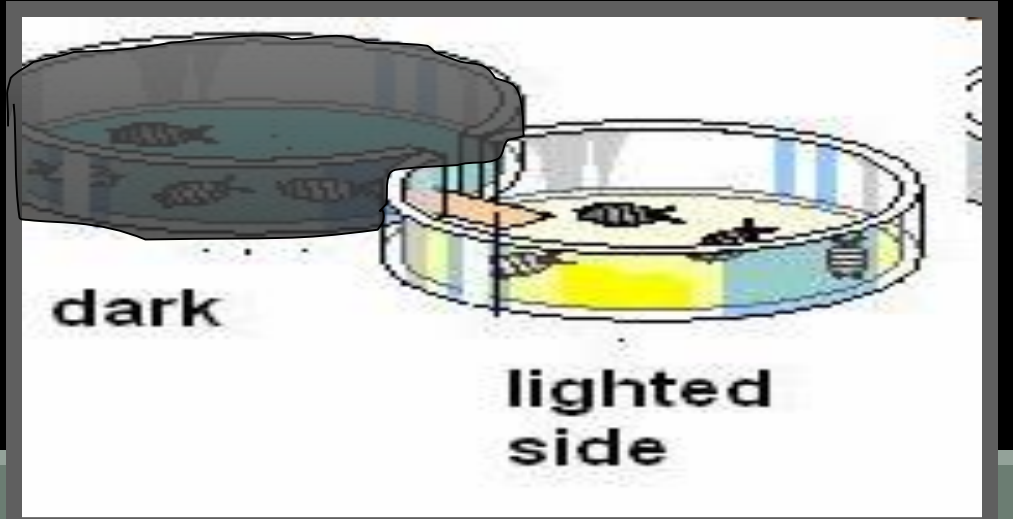
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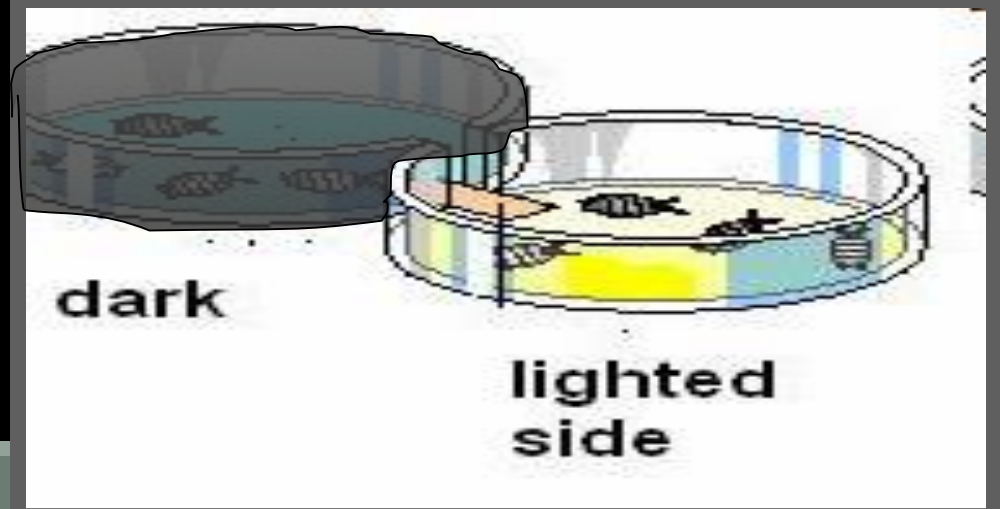
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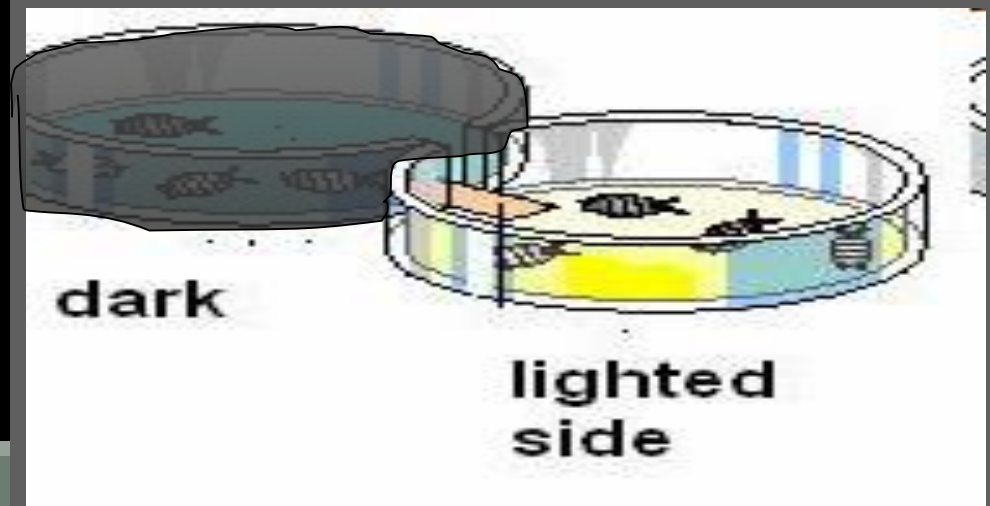



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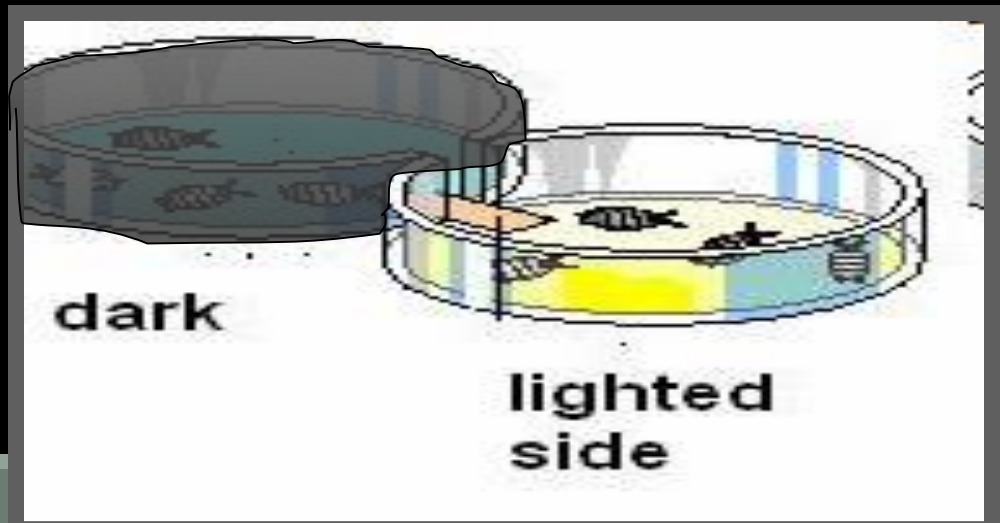


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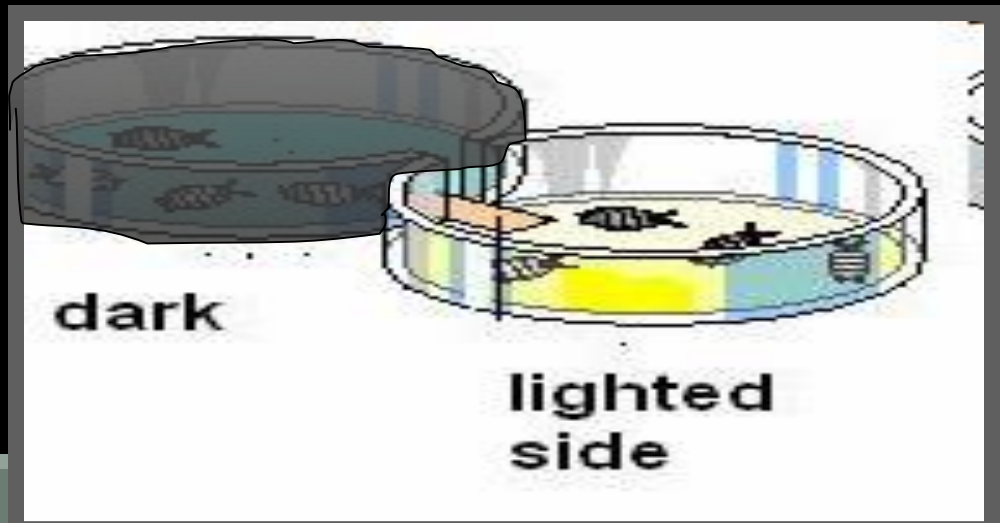
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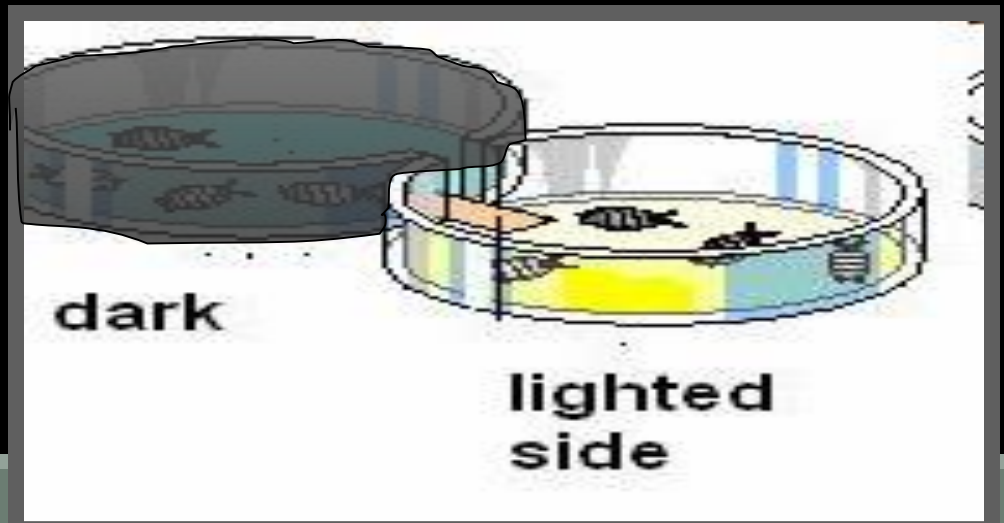
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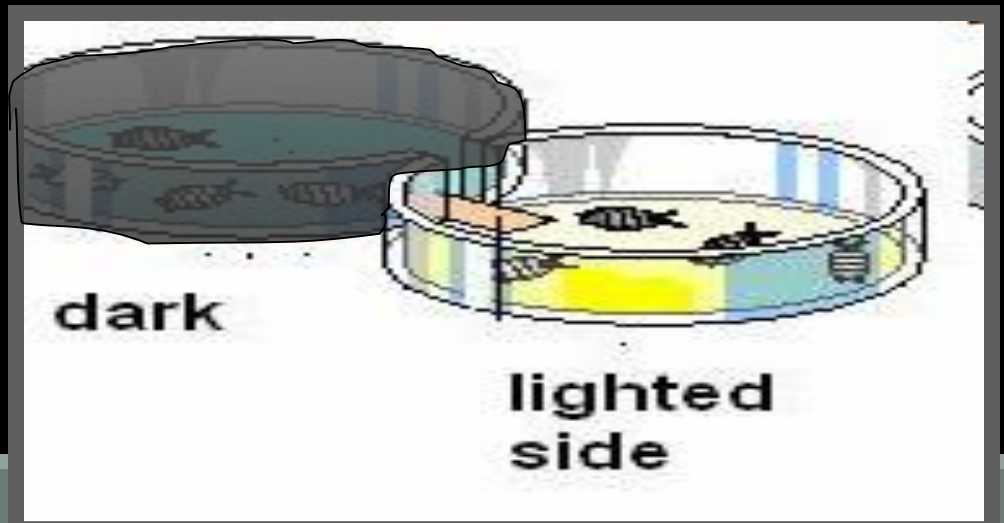
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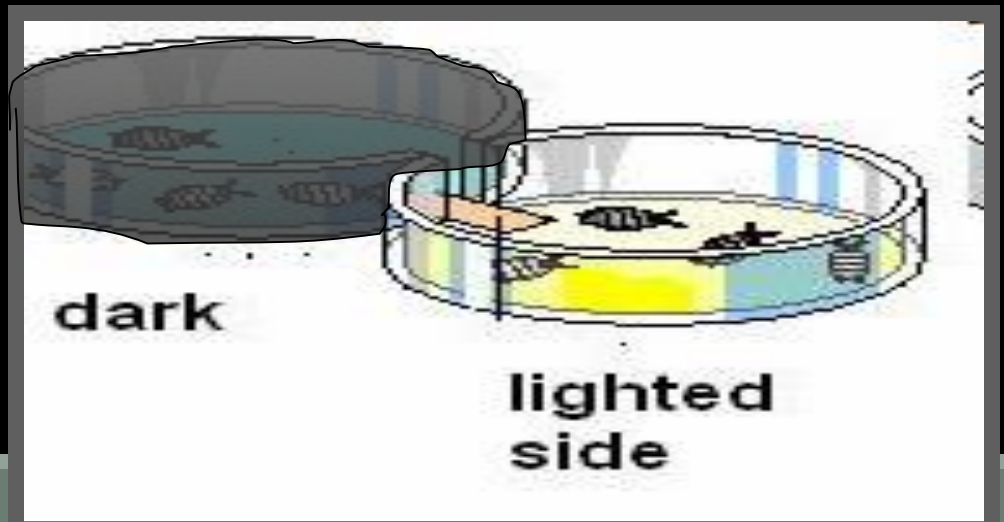


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