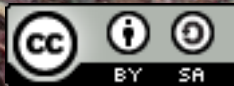


# Applying Search Tactics



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# Search Crucials

- **Search is an Emergency**
- **Search is a classic mystery**
- **Search for clues not just the subject**
- **Know if the subject leaves the search area**
- **Close grid search as a last resort**
- Manage by objectives
- Search management is information management

# Tactics

- Direct/Active

  - Go find the subject.

  - Type I to Type IV search (human, canine, equine)
  - Aerial search

- Indirect/(Passive)

  - Make the subject come to you.

  - Investigation
  - Containment
  - Attraction
    - Sound
    - Lights
  - “Limited Continuing Search”

# Attraction

- Lookouts/Road blocks with lights/siren
  - Attractor shouldn't move.
- Places with a view:
  - High points
  - Scenic views
  - Fire towers
  - Fire Department aerial platform.



# Containment

- Road/Trail blocks
- Road patrols
- Track Traps (existing or constructed)
- Perimeter Sign Cutting
- Lookouts (binoculars, thermal imaging)
- Camp-ins

# Sound Sweep

- Stop
- Pause and listen
- Call Subject's name (or whistle)
- Wait and **listen**
- Continue



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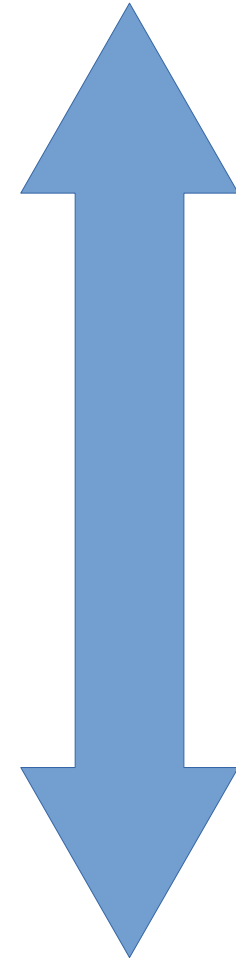
Efficient  
Least Destructive

Type II – Purposeful  
Wandering

Type III - Grid

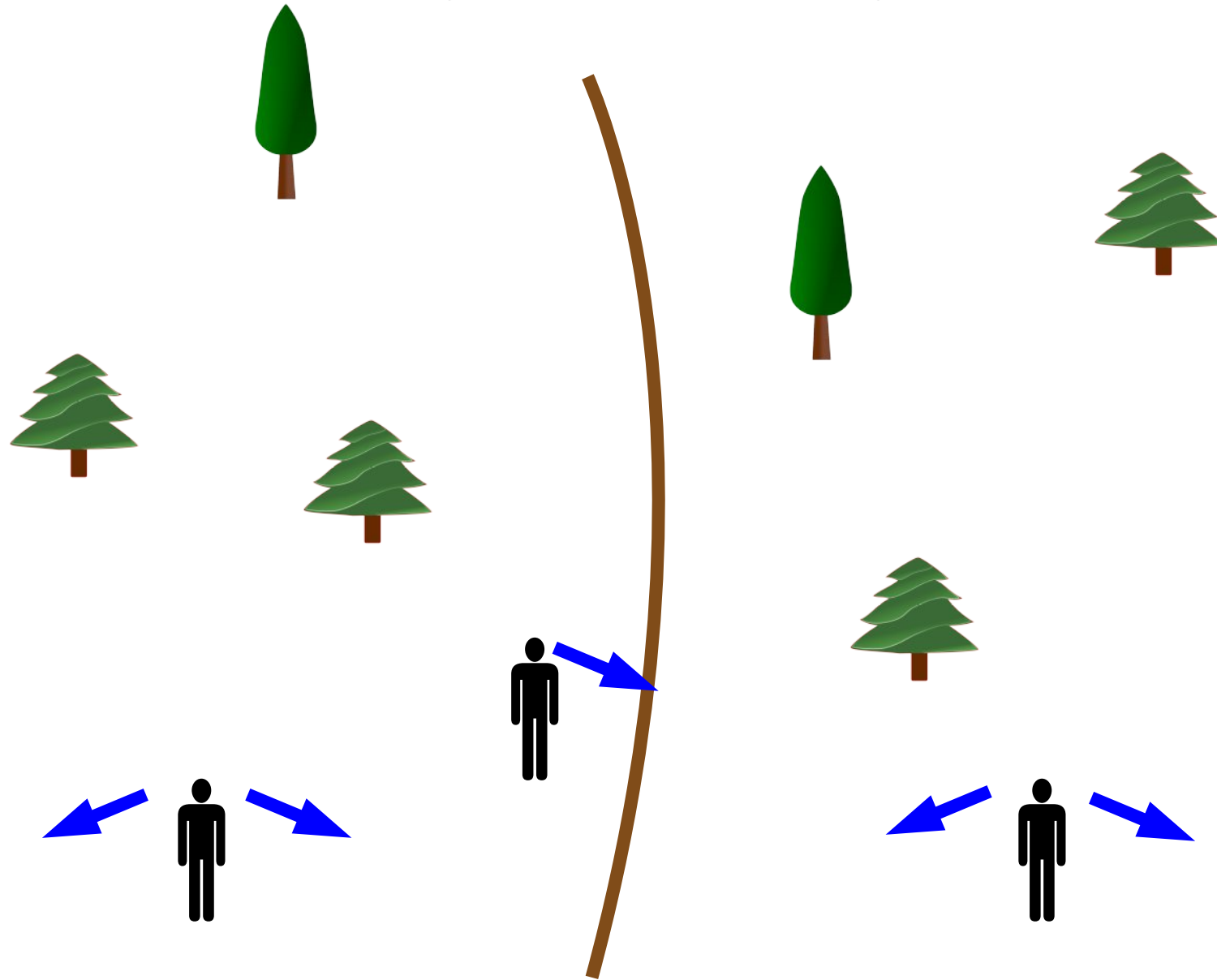
Type IV - Evidence

Thorough  
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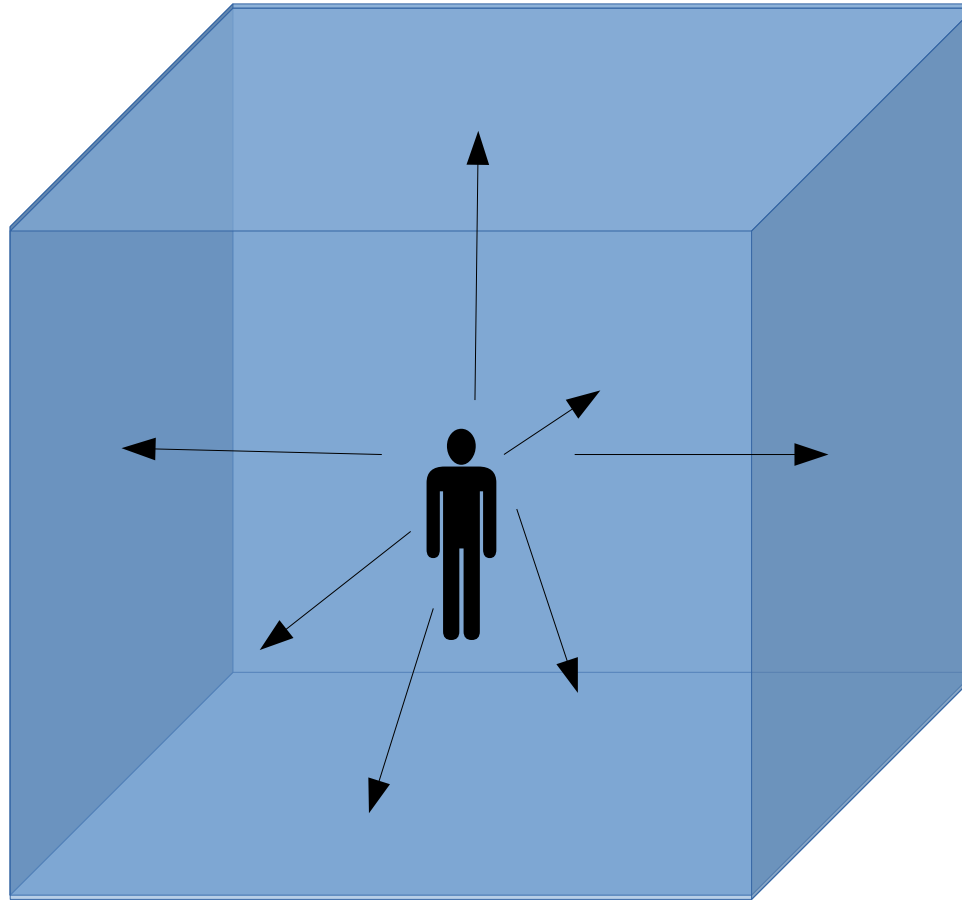




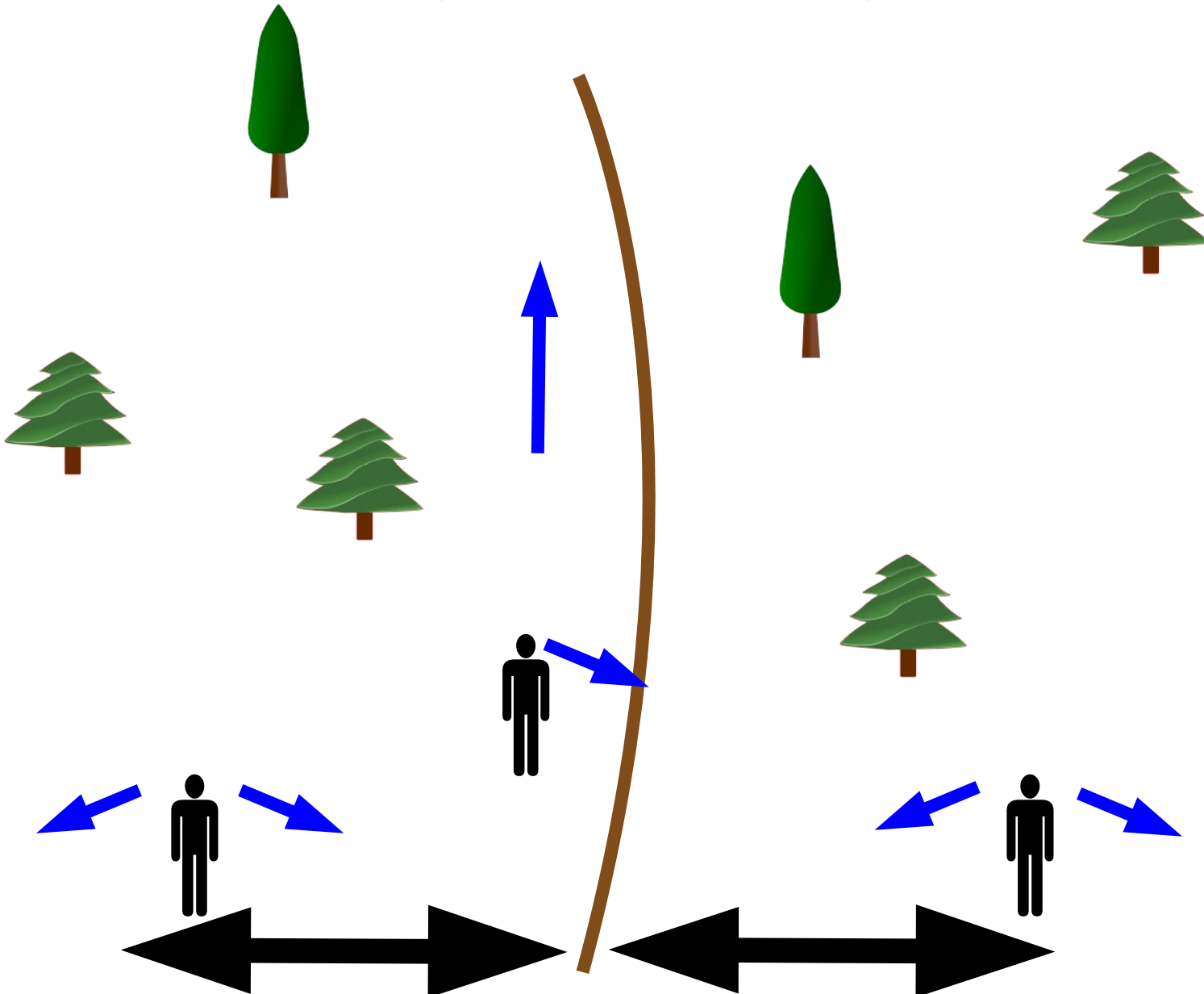
# Type I/Hasty



# Search Cube



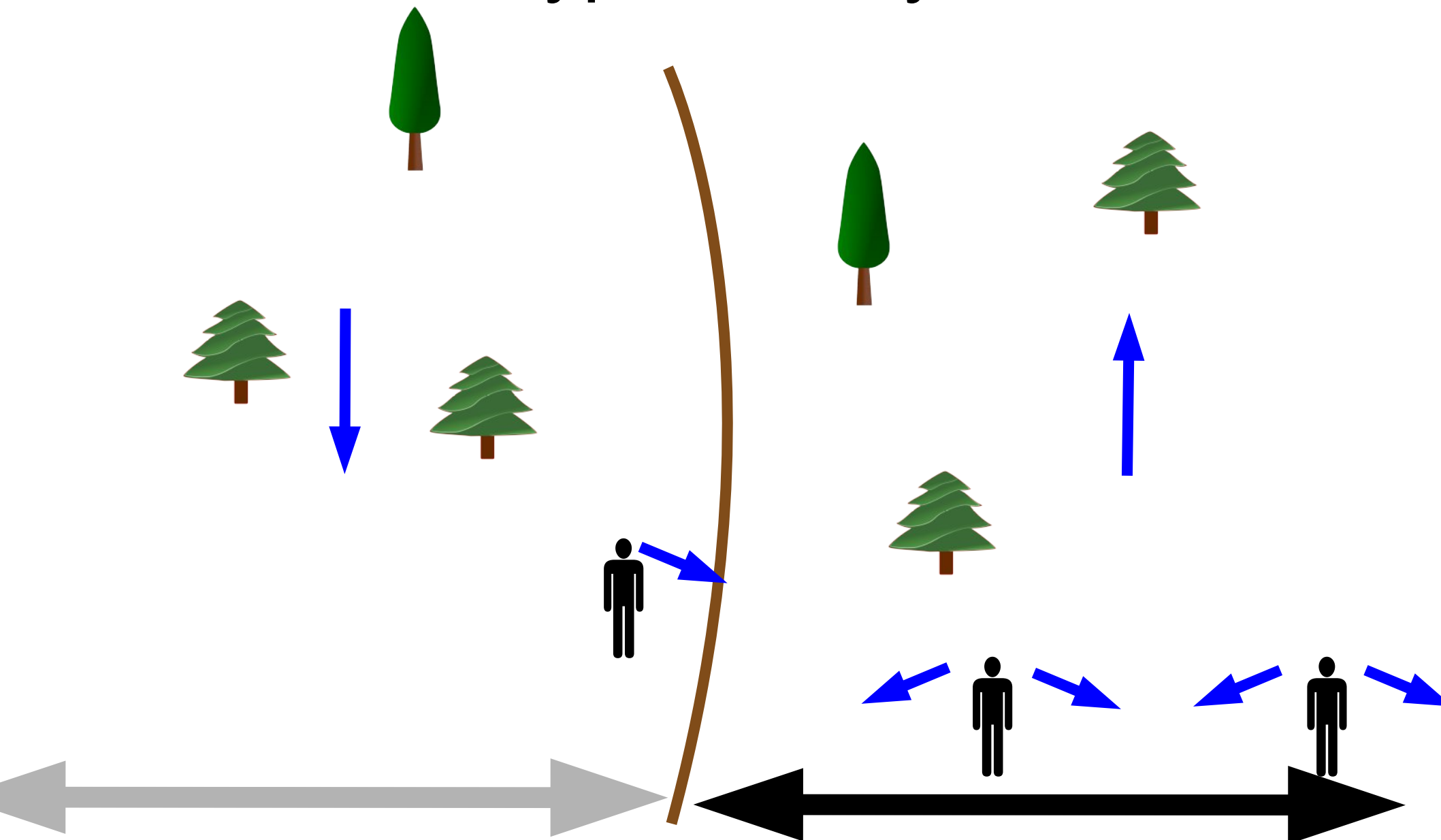
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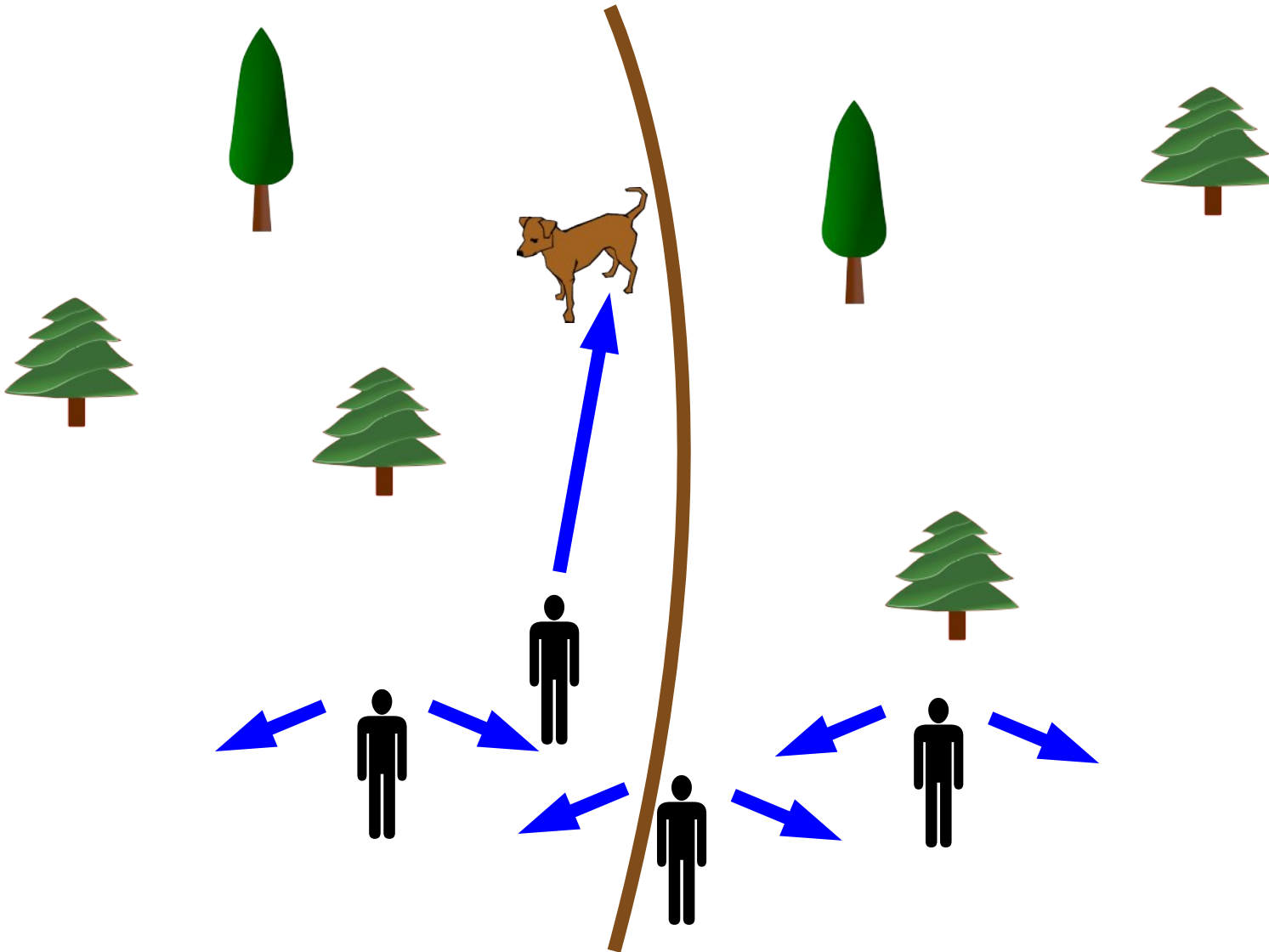


# Type I/Hasty



Spacing can be informed by Lost Person Statistic: Track Offset

# Type I/Hasty Canine Trail/Route Search



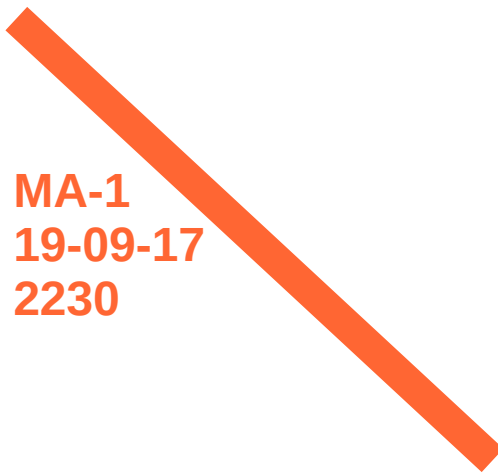






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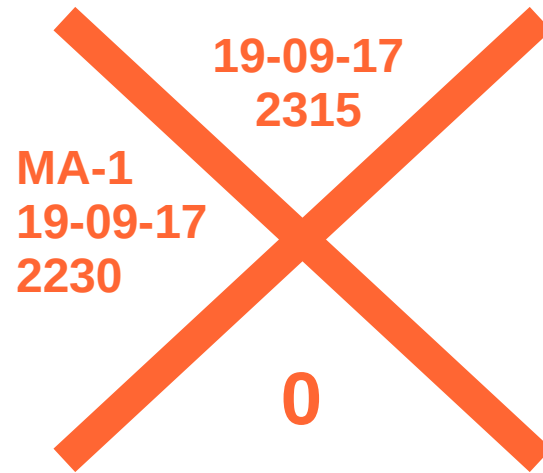
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2230



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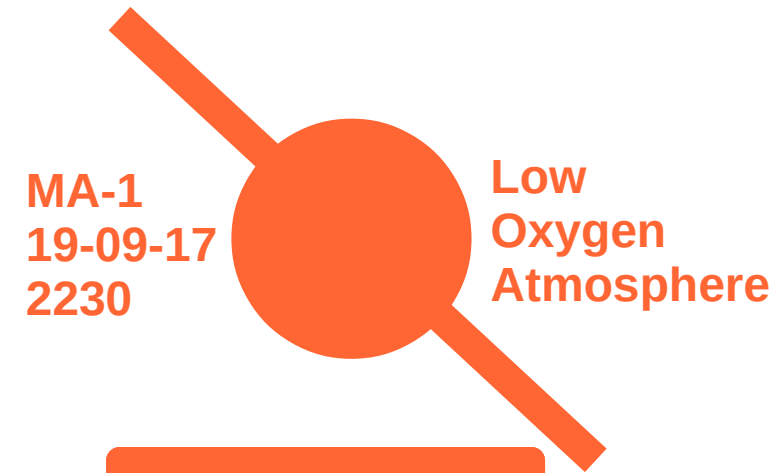
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Low  
Oxygen  
Atmosphere



No Entry

Or

F-1,2

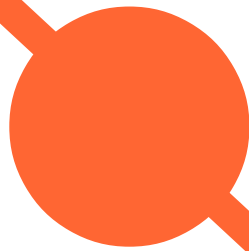
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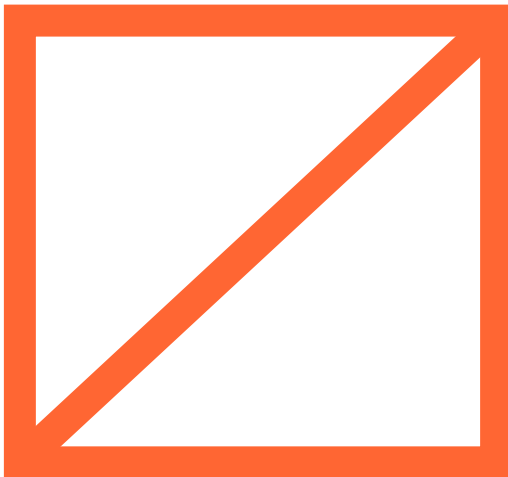
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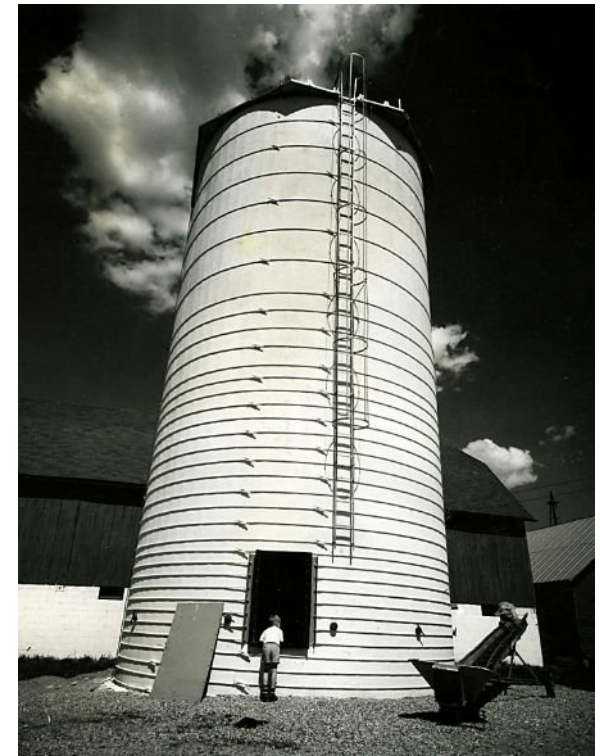
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Permit  
Confined  
Space

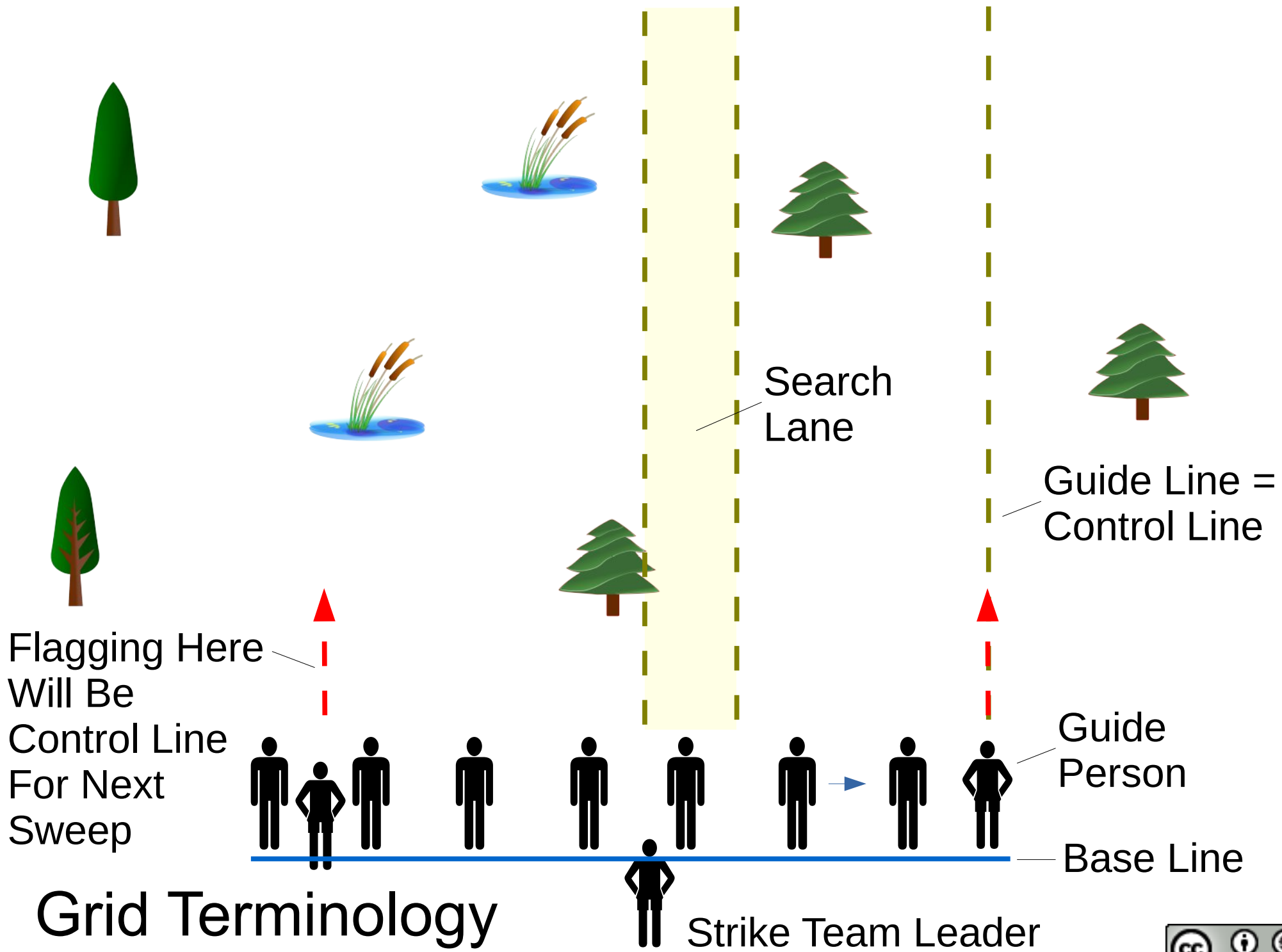


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Entrapment risk  
Machinery  
Ground-3



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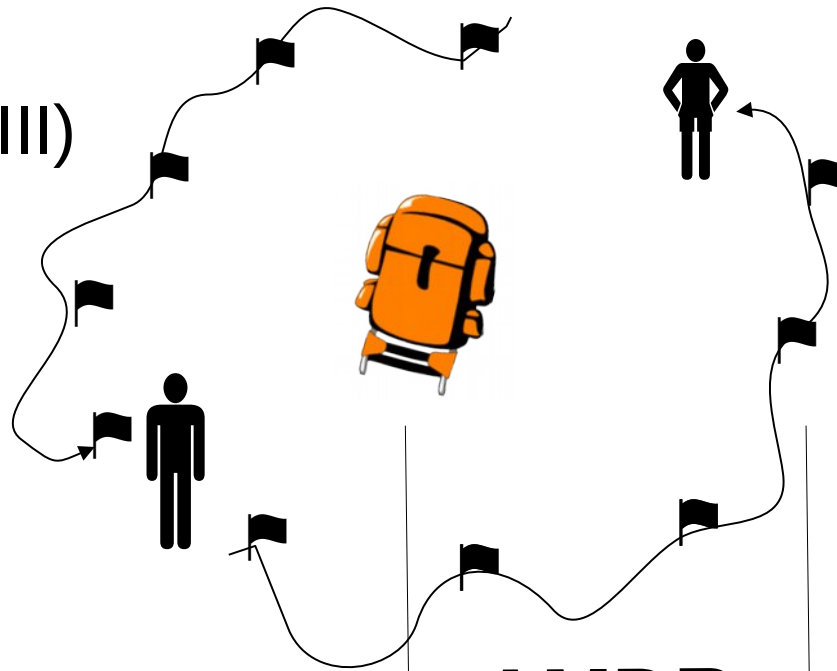




# Grid Terminology

Strike Team Leader

Setting Grid  
Spacing (II or III)  
with the  
Northumbrian  
Rain Dance



Spacing in AMDR

**AMDR**



2



0.75 53%

1.5



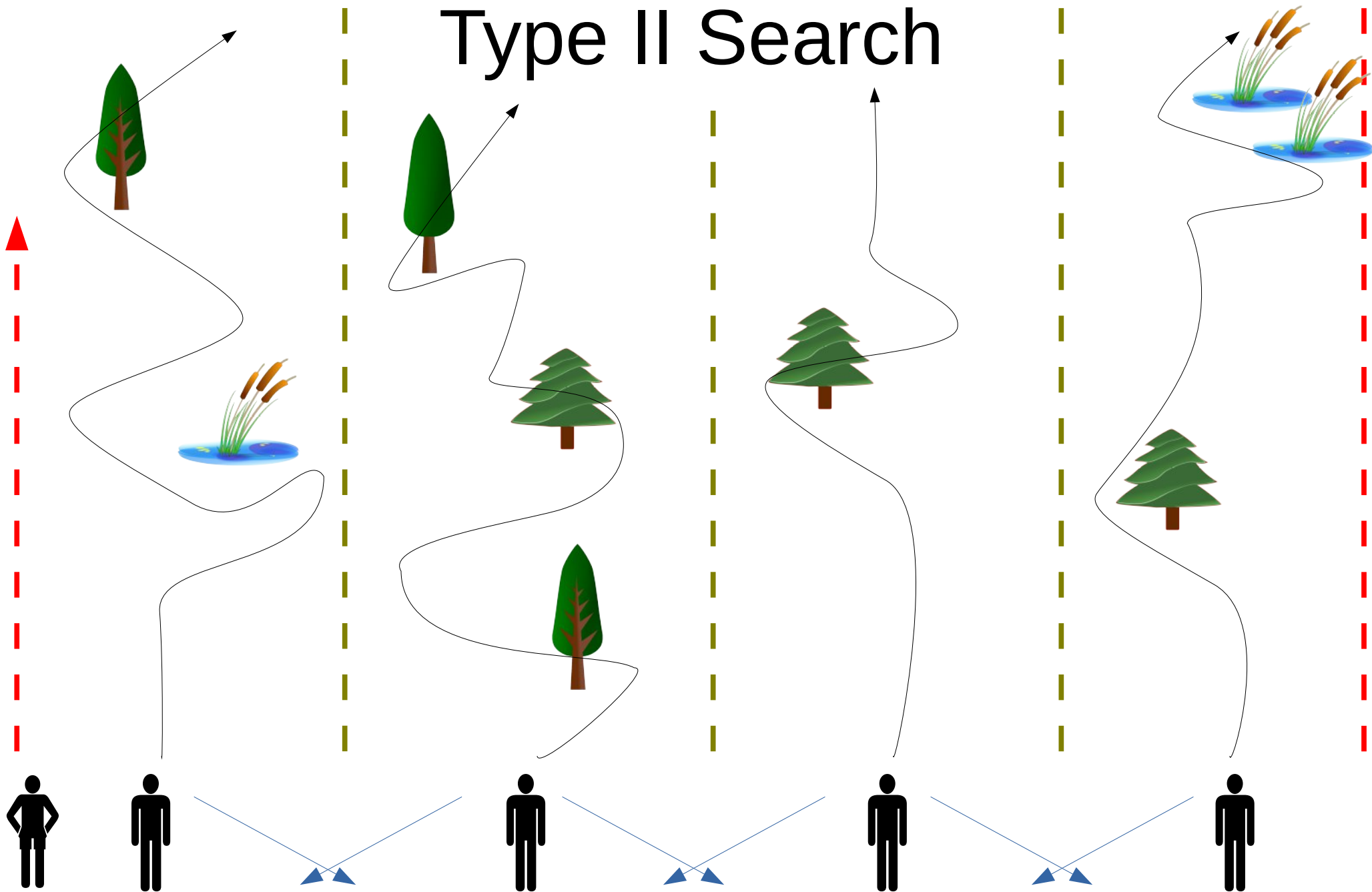
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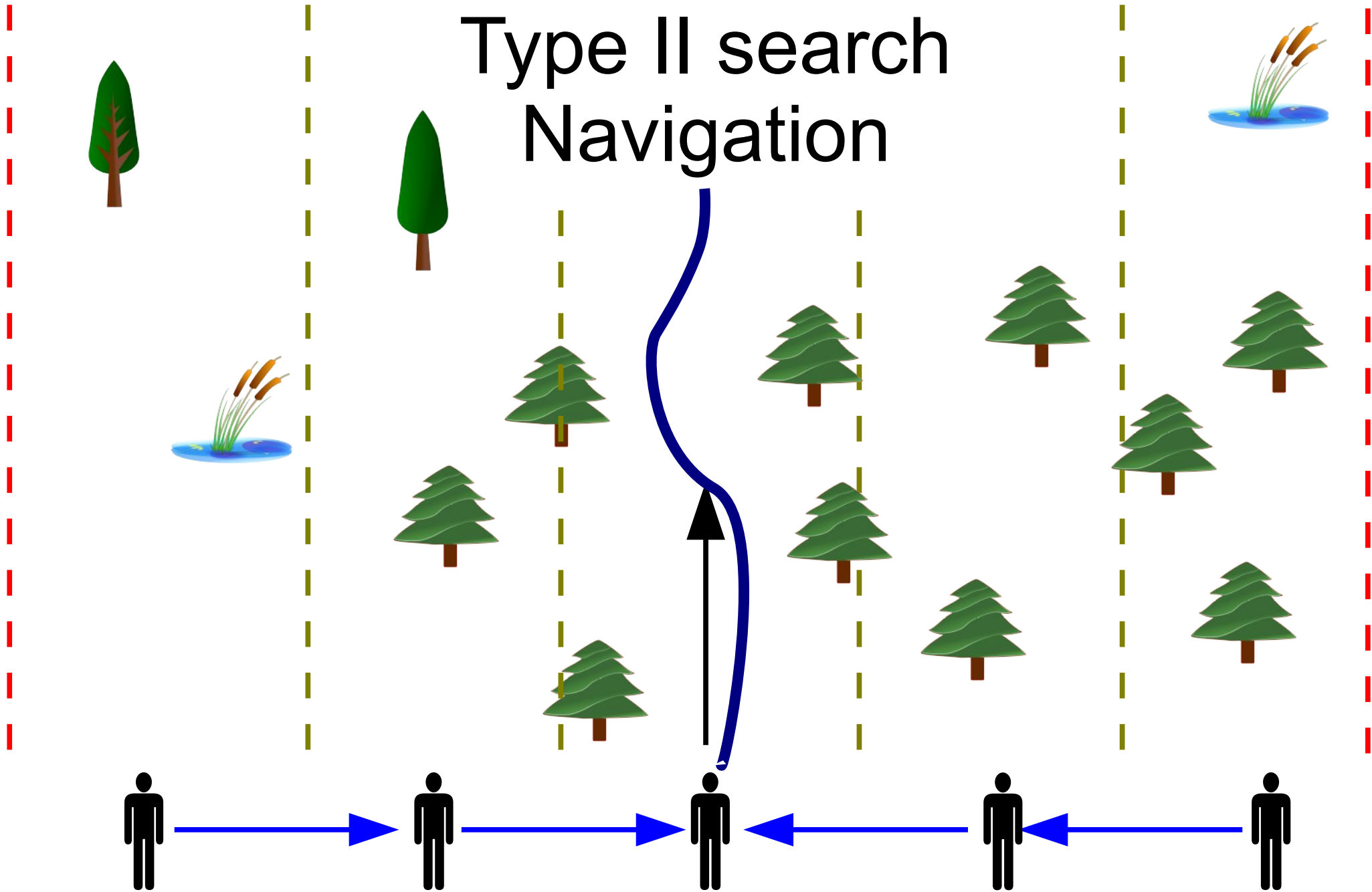
# Type II Search



Purposeful wandering



# Type II search Navigation



Guide on Center

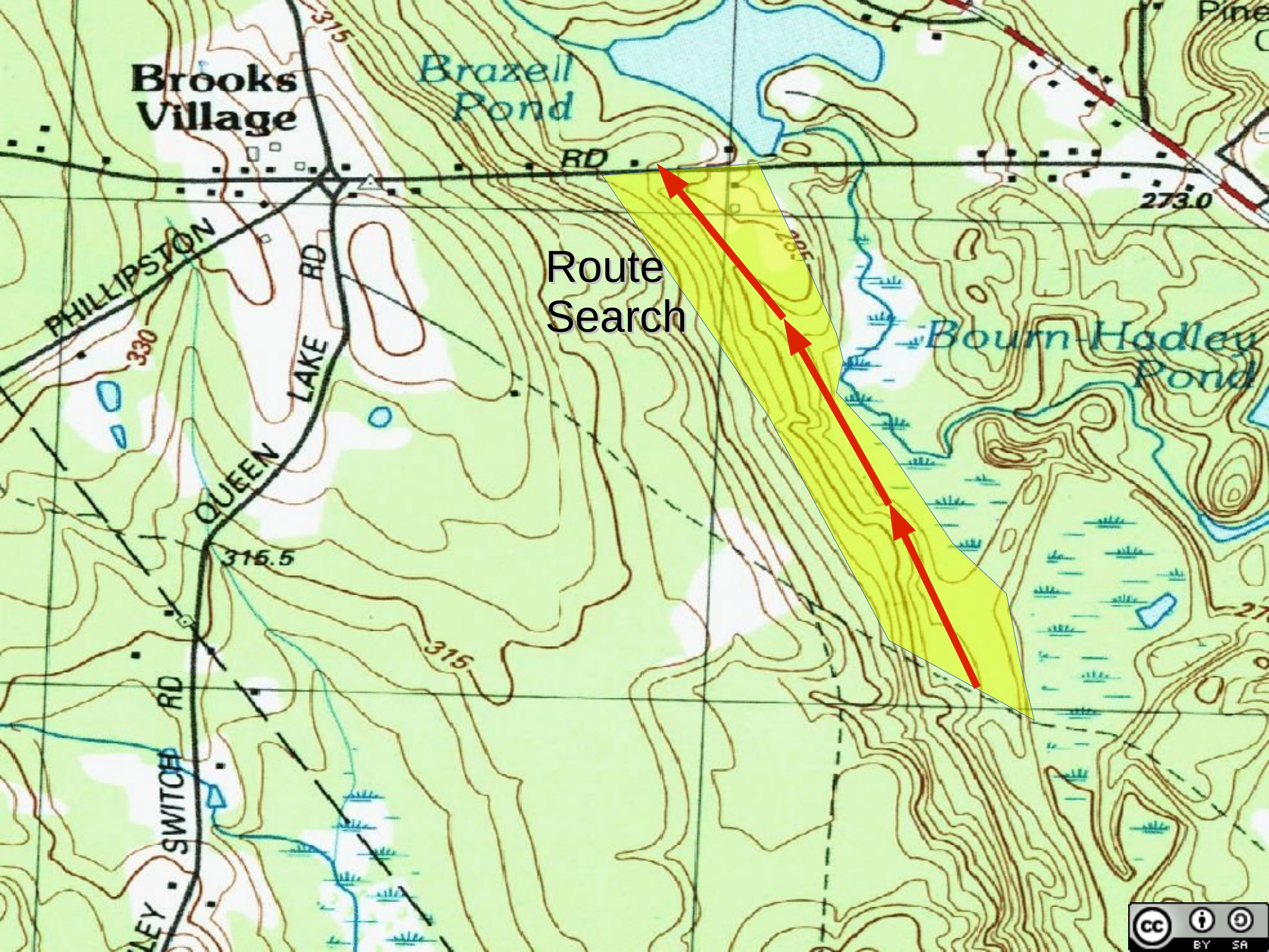


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*Brazell Pond*

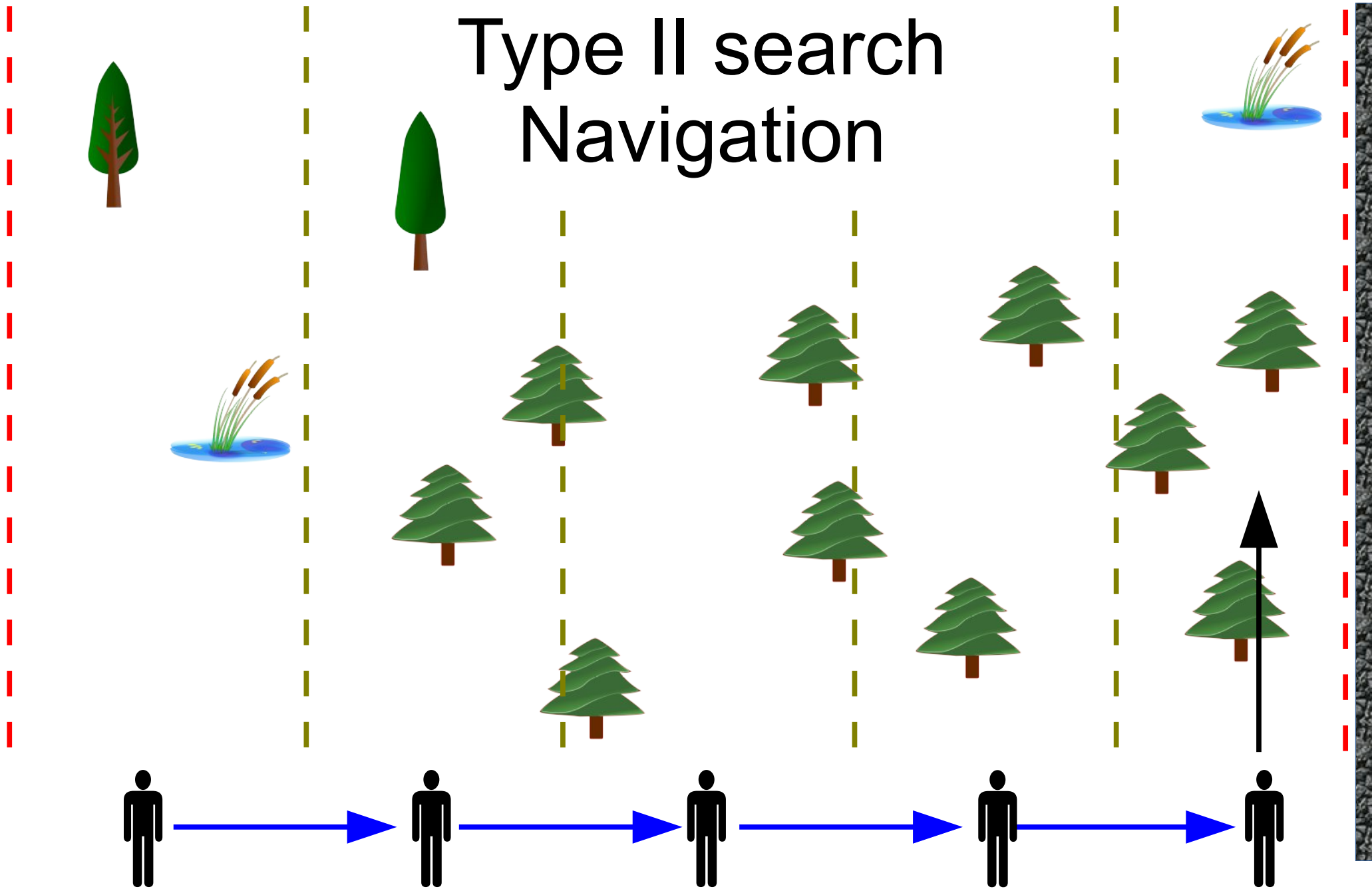
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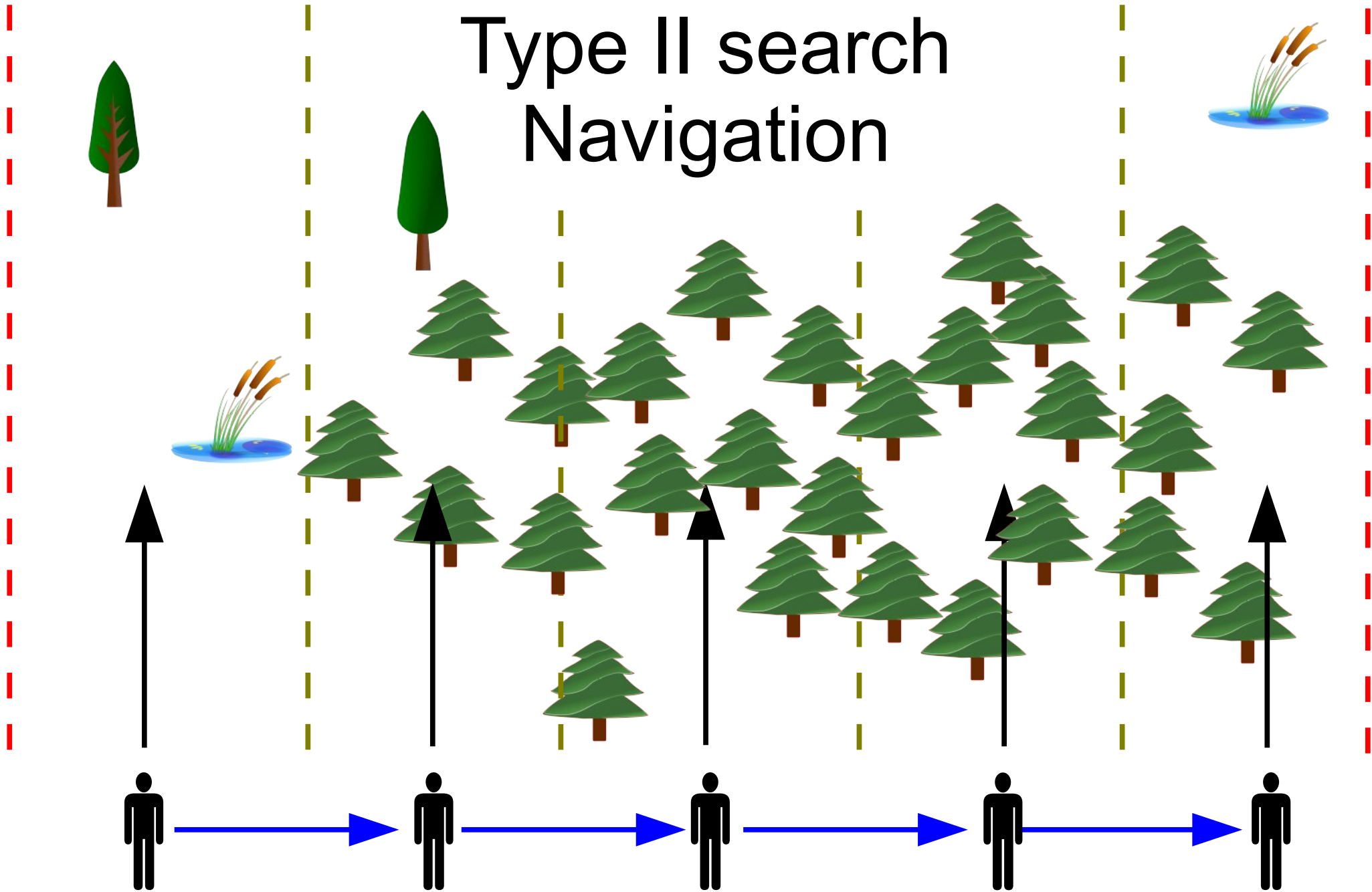
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Guide on End

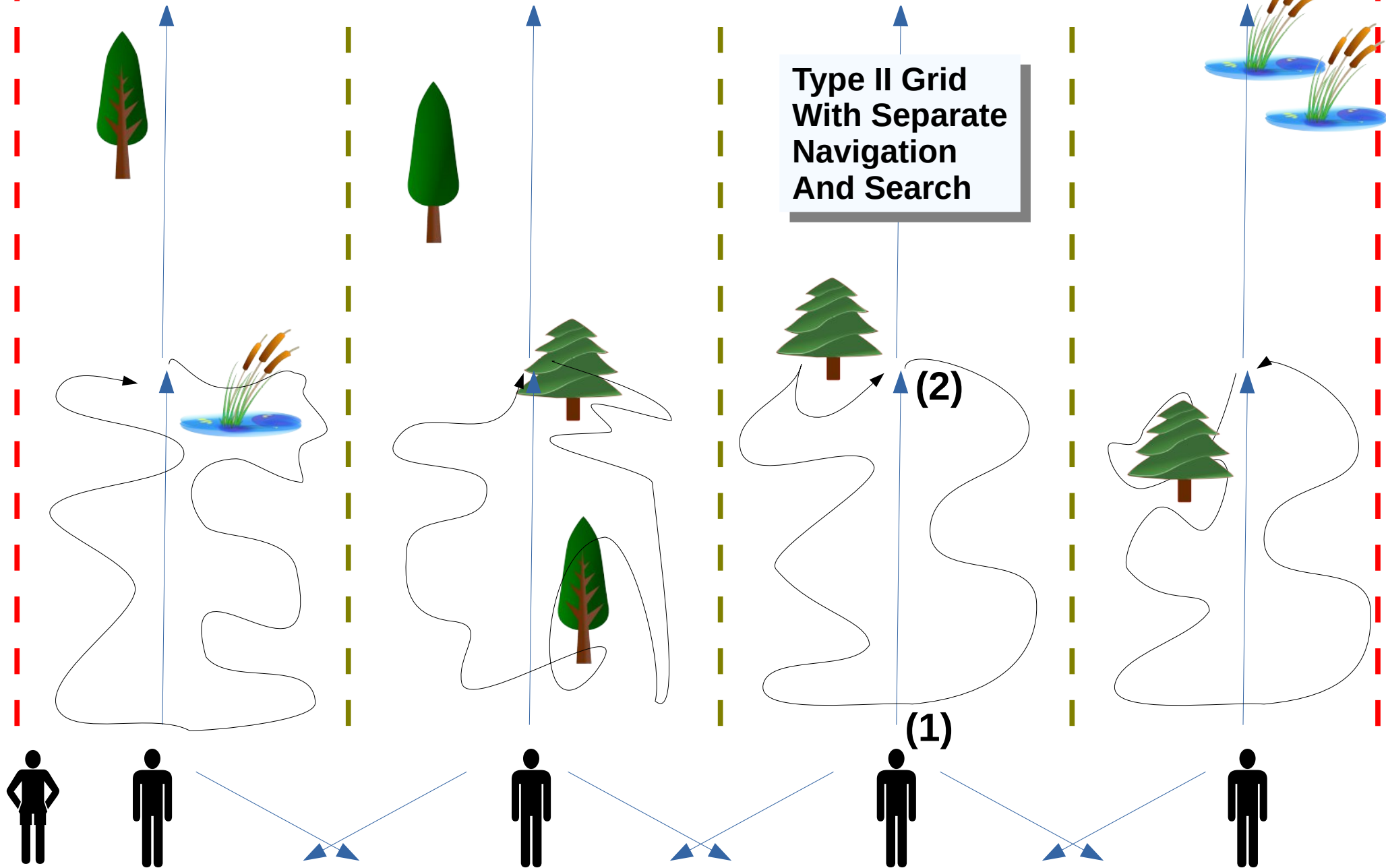


# Type II search Navigation



Everyone Navigating on a Bearing

Flag, Advance, Flag, Search Back, Search Forward, Repeat.

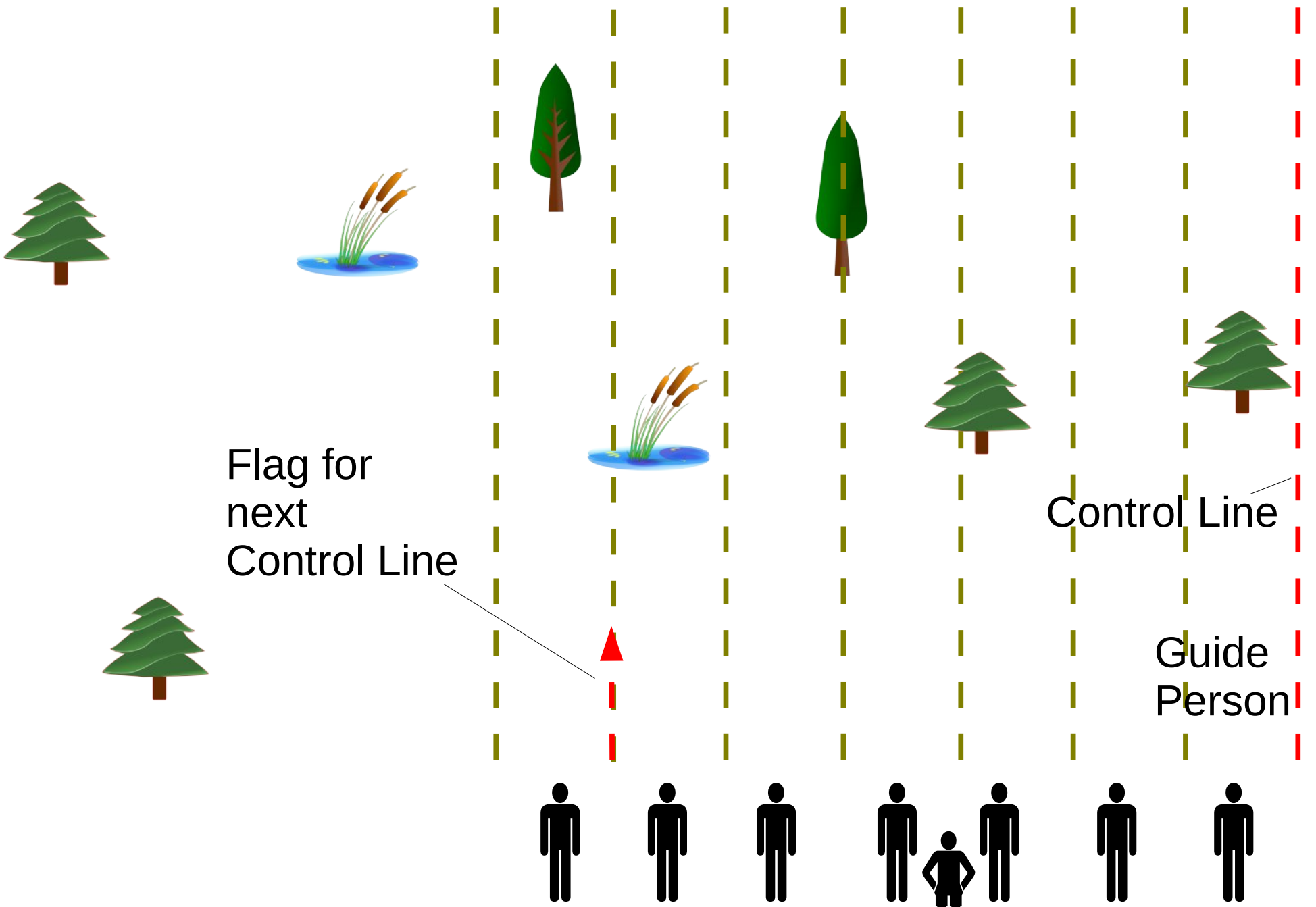


Type II Grid  
With Separate  
Navigation  
And Search

(2)

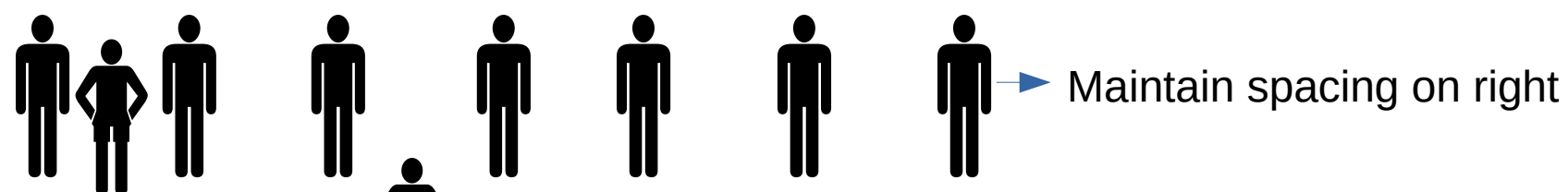
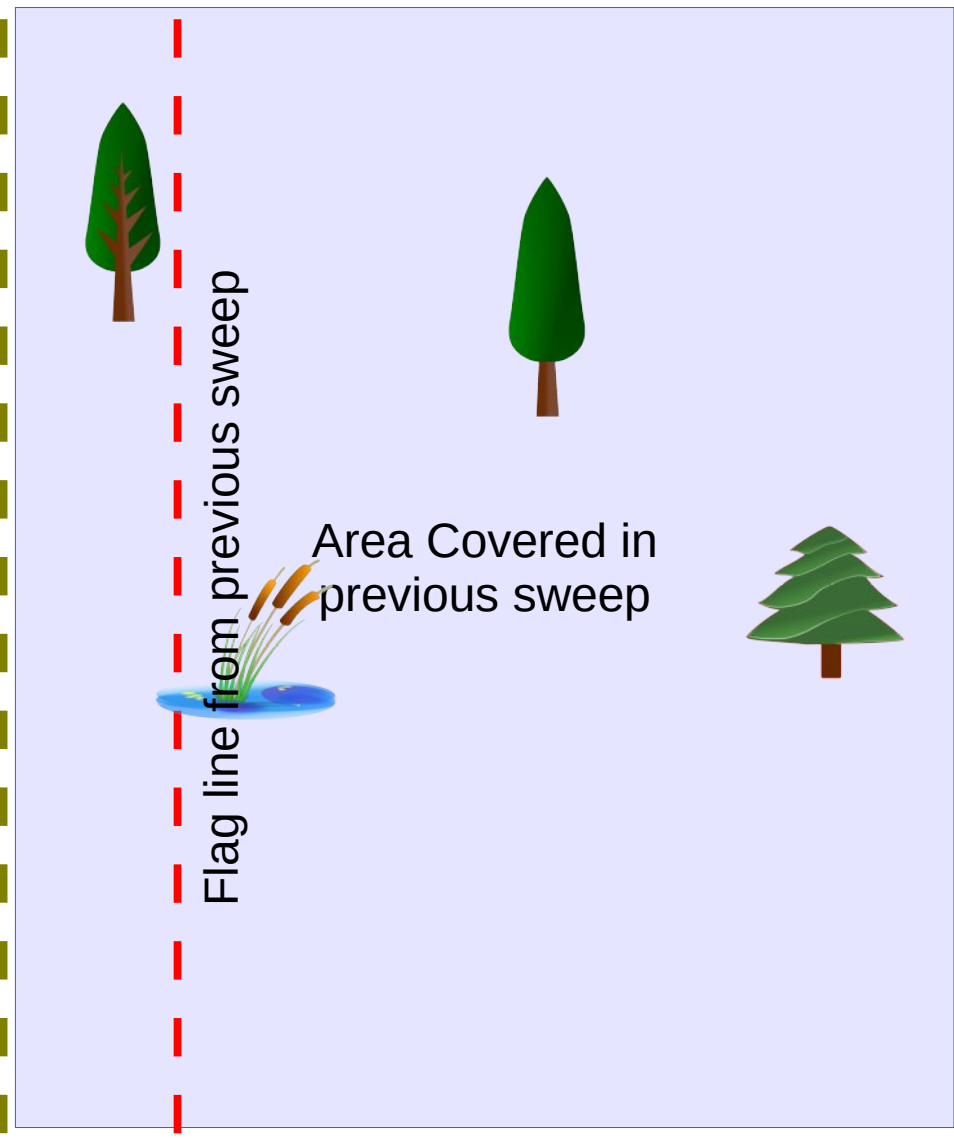
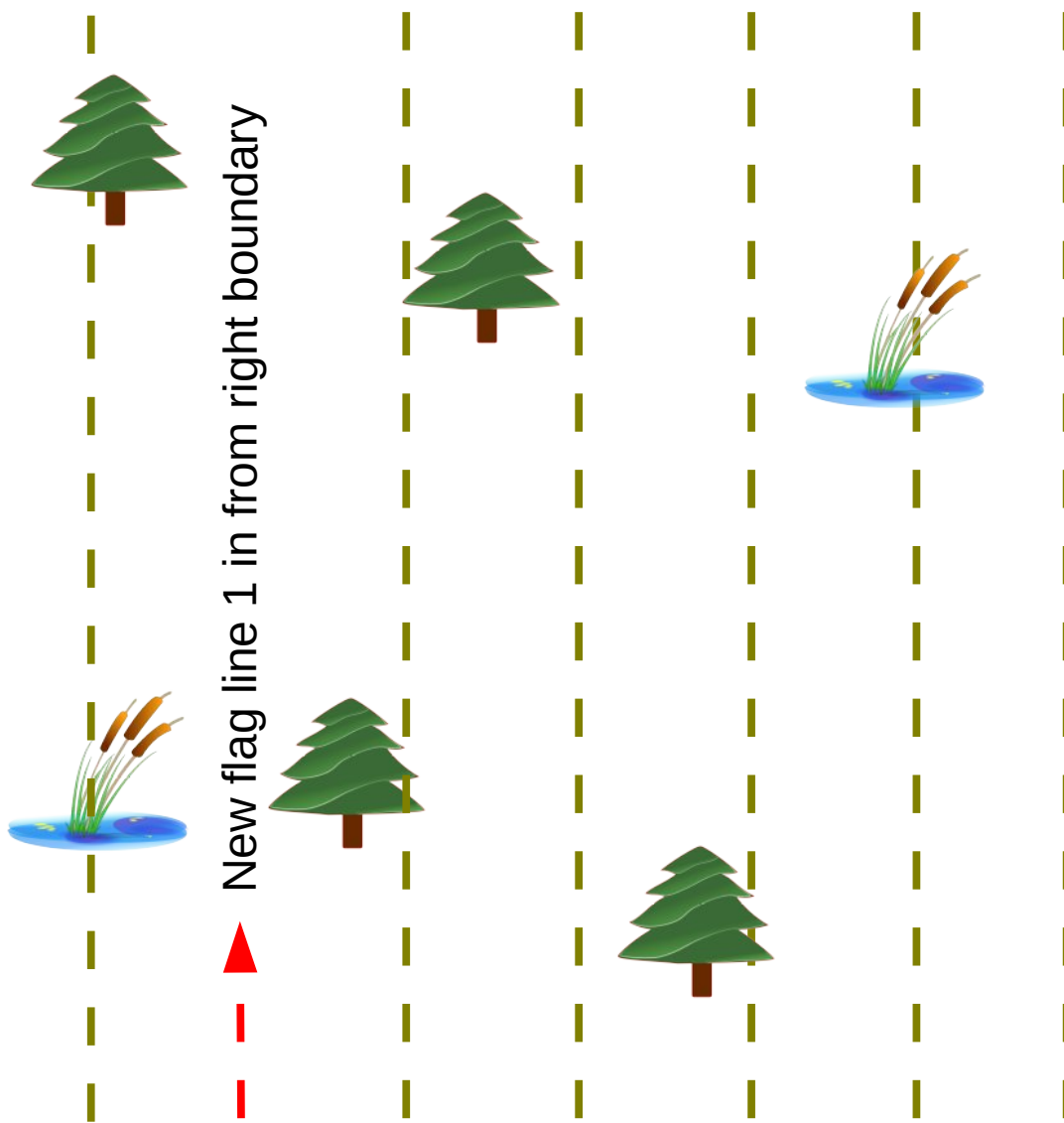
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Critical separation & purposeful wandering

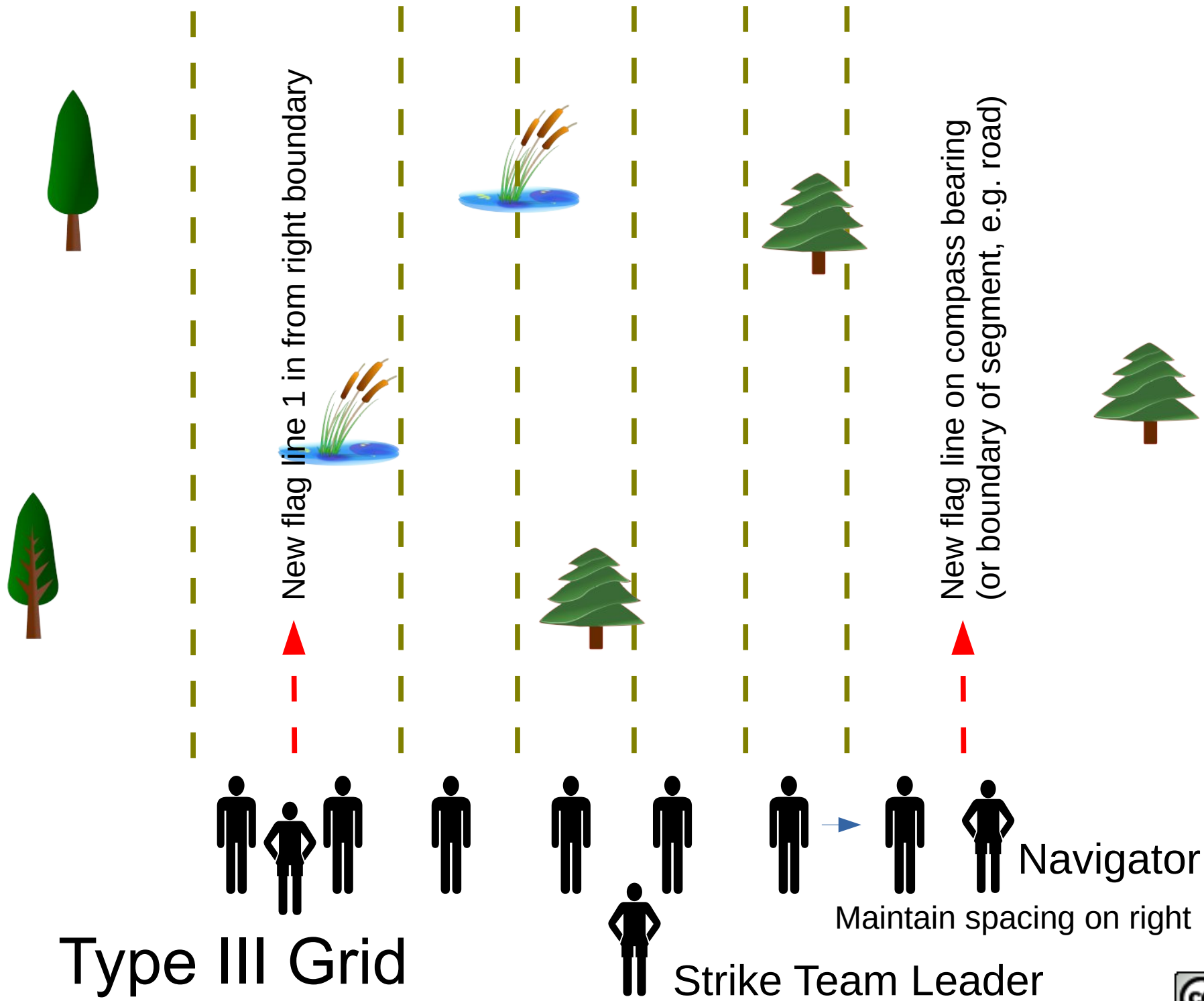


Type III (Line Search / Grid Search)





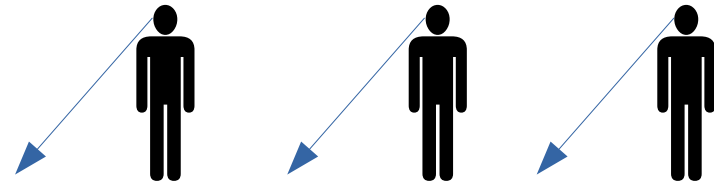
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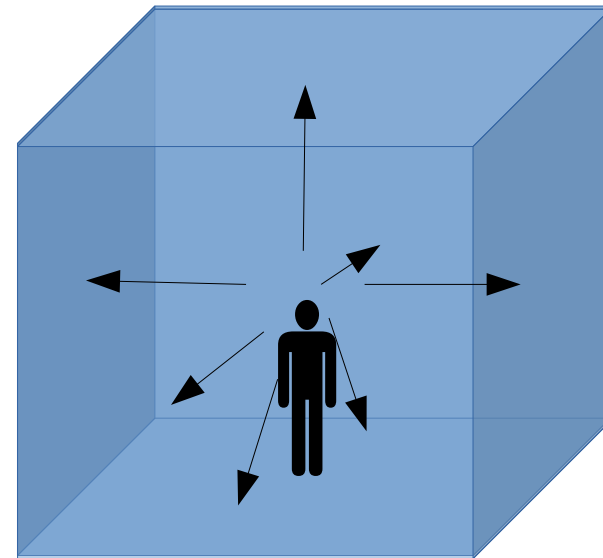
# Type III Grid

# Type III Grid Commands

- Stop
- Look Up, Look Down
- Look Left, Look Right
- Turn Around and Look Behind you
- Look Up, Look Down
- Look Left, Look Right
- Turn Around
- Advance



Search Cube

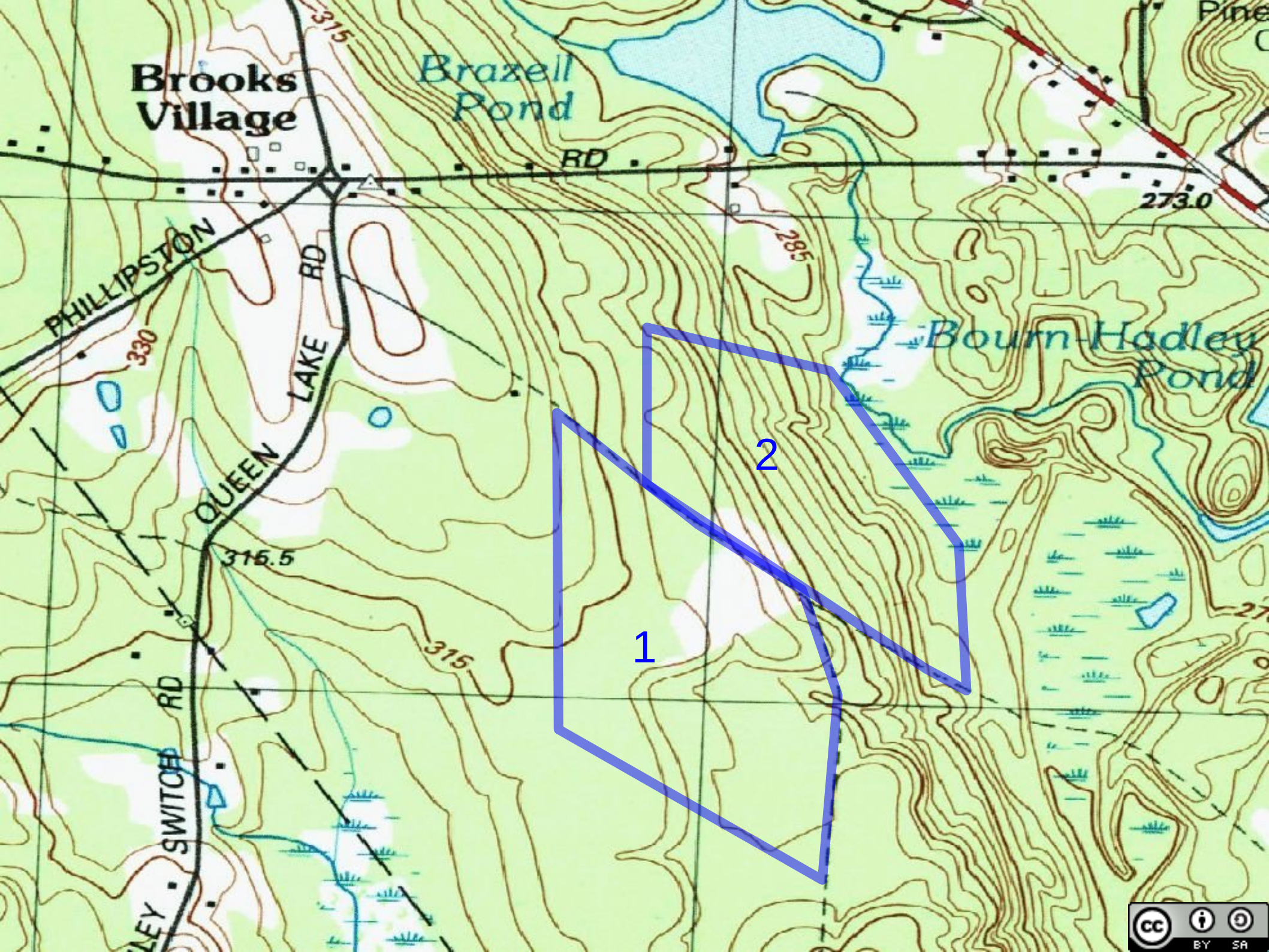




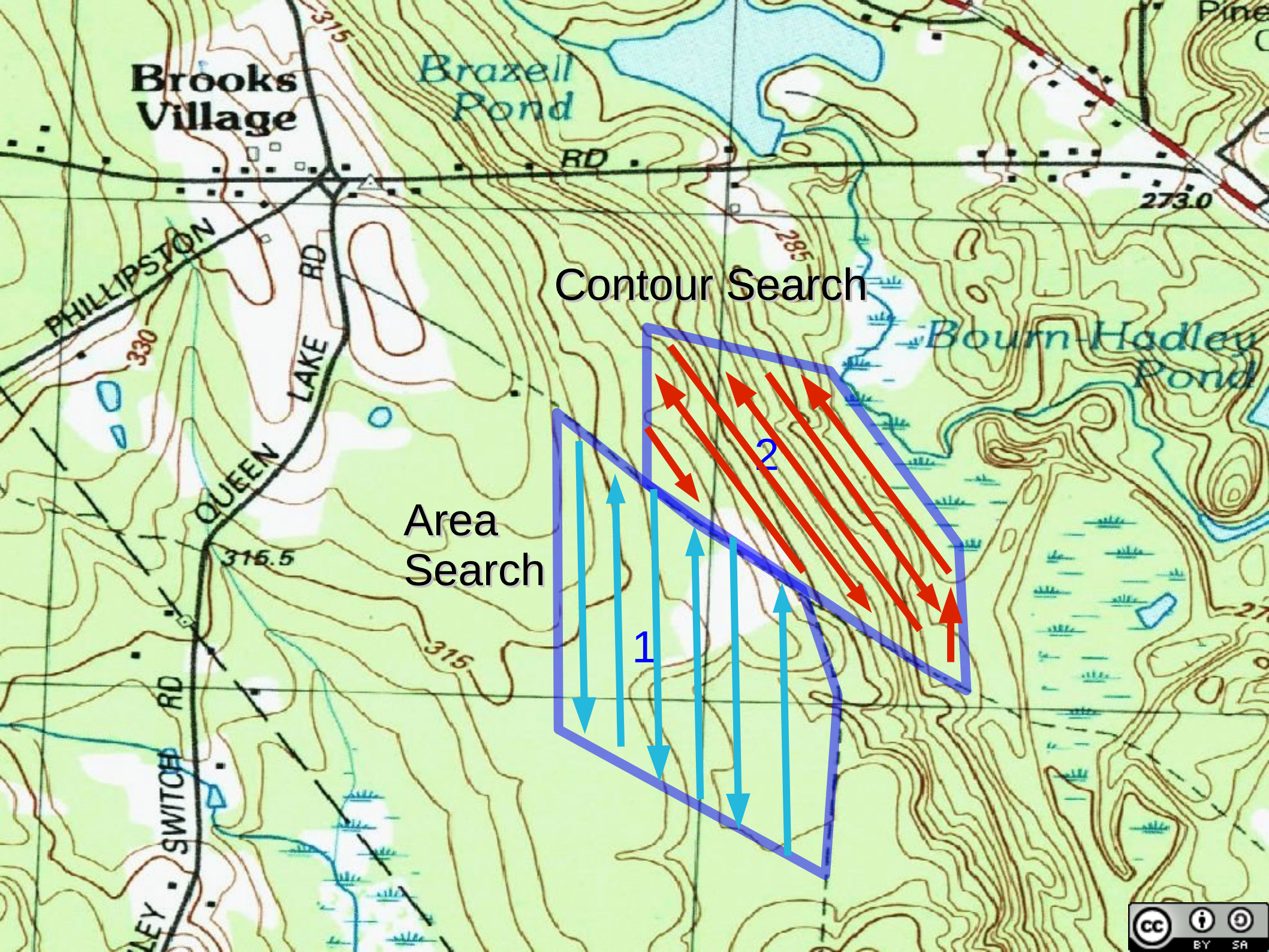
# Area Search Patterns

- Area Search (II or III)
- Route (Area) Search (I or II)
- Parallel Route Search (II)
- Expanding Circle Search (II)
- Contour search (II or III)









Brooks Village

Brazell Pond

RD

273.0

Contour Search

Bourn Hadley Pond

Area Search

PHILLIPSTON

QUEEN LAKE RD

QUEEN LAKE RD

315.5

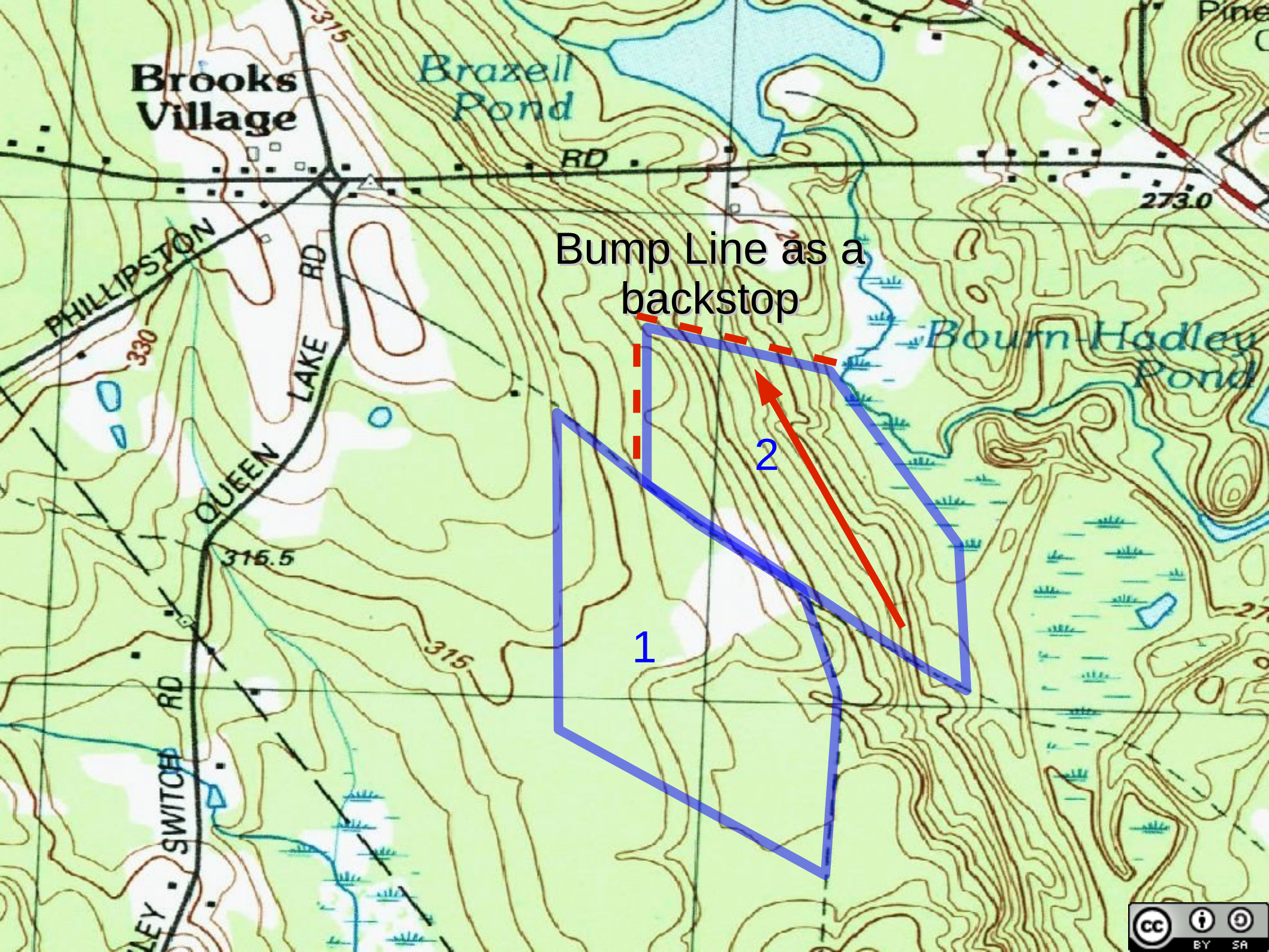
SWITCH RD

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Brazell Pond

RD

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PHILLIPSTON

QUEEN LAKE RD

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Bump Line as a backstop

Bourn Hadley Pond

QUEEN

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2

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315

SWITCH RD

VALEY



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*Brazell Pond*

RD

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Route Search

*Bourn Hadley Pond*

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QUEEN

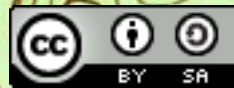
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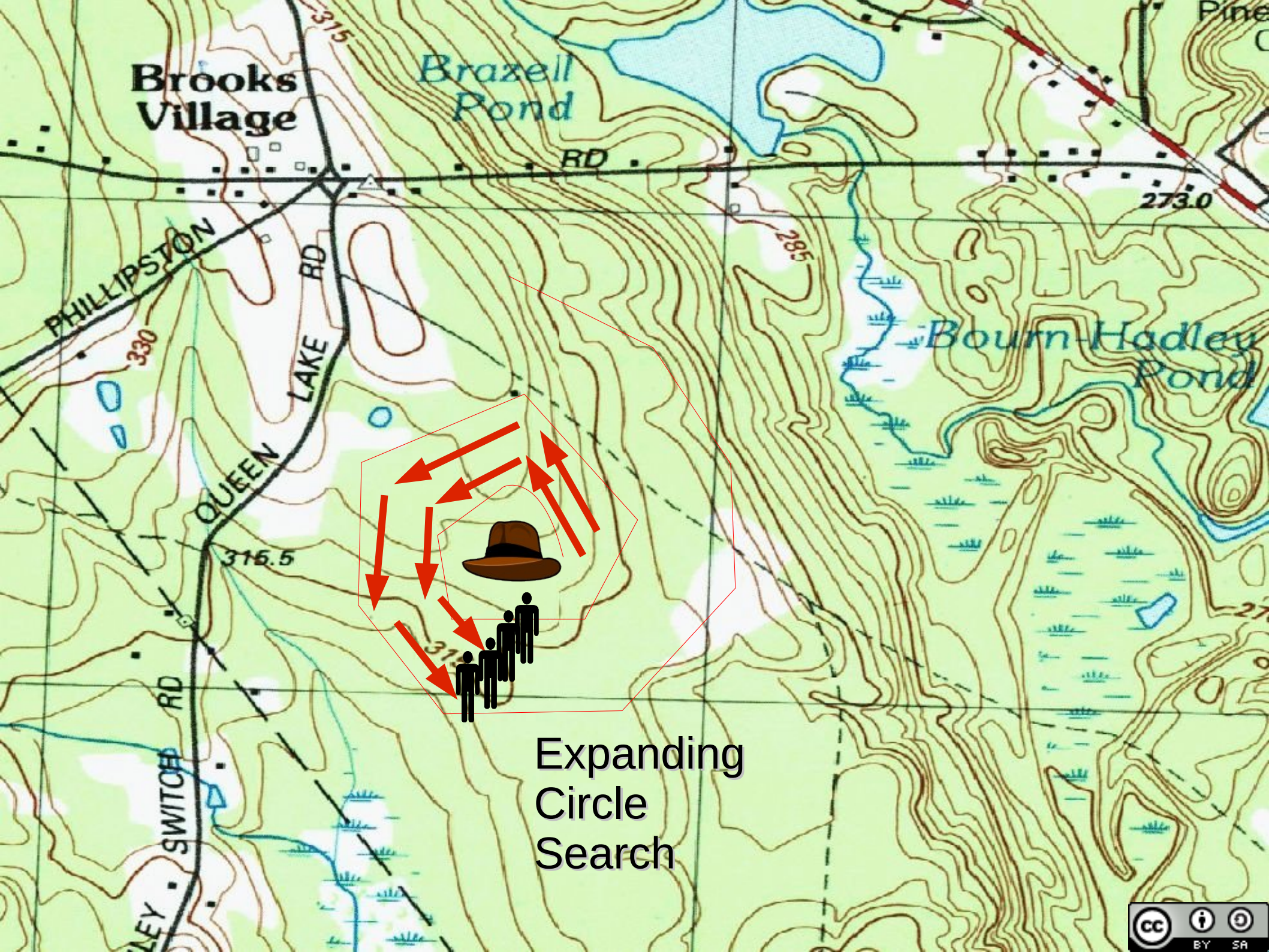
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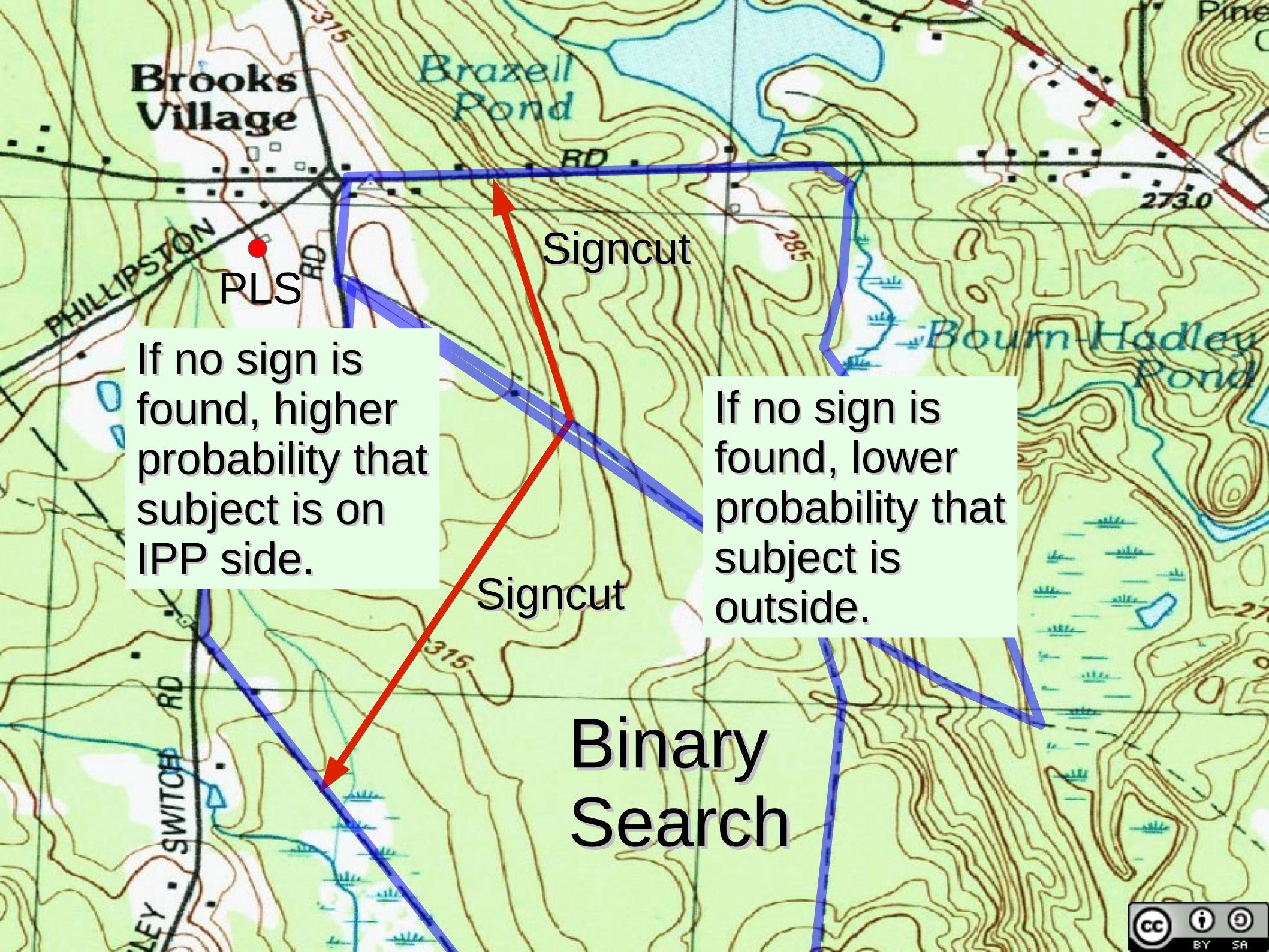
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Expanding Circle Search



# Area Search Patterns

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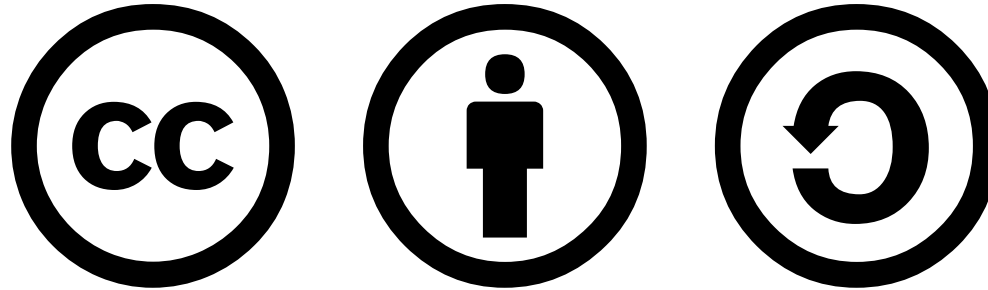
If no sign is found, higher probability that subject is on IPP side.

If no sign is found, lower probability that subject is outside.

Binary Search







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