Data Modeling in NoSQL (C*) - Examples

Big Data Systems

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Motivation (for this course)

- Learn modeling techniques by examples

- In real life you will blend strategies from each

Use cases

- Shopping cart
- Sensor data
- Gmail
- Instagram

Shopping cart

Requirements

- Customers can add items from a catalog
- Fast read performance

Shopping cart

shoppingcart		
user_id	BIGINT	K
item_id	BIGINT	🔻
count	INT	
time_added	TIMESTAMP	
title	TEXT	
cost	DOUBLE	

items		
item_id	BIGINT	K
title	BIGINT	
cost	INT	
inventory_count	TIMESTAMP	

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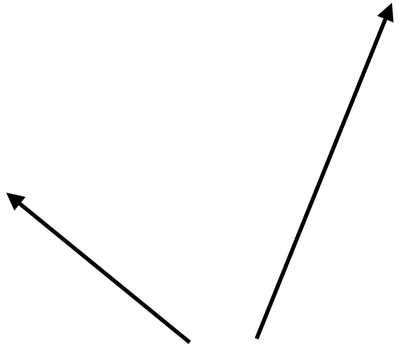

Denormalization for read speed (without joins)

Sensor data (time series)

Requirements

- Sensors can write different measures per second
- Write heavy (1m+ writes per second)

Sensor data (time series) - option 1

sensordata		
date	DATE	K
ts	TIMESTAMP	🔻
serial_number	TEXT	🔻
type	TEXT	🔻
value	TEXT	

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date	DATE	K
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If the number of sensors will grow we will have a problem

Sensor data (time series) - option 2

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serial_number	TEXT	K
ts	TIMESTAMP	🔻
type	TEXT	🔻
value	TEXT	

Sensor data (time series) - option 2

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Data is will always added after the previous data

- SSTable compactions can be optimized
  You can change the compaction strategies

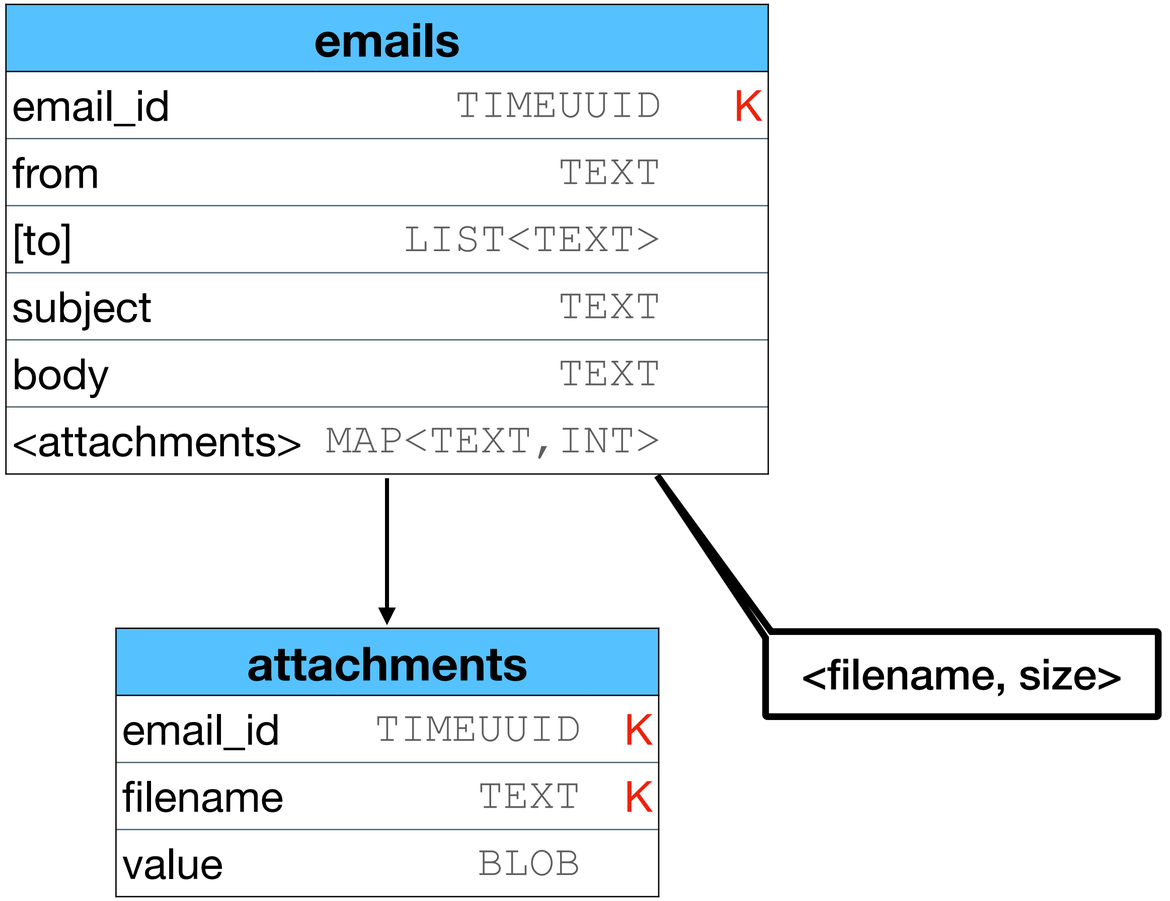
Gmail

Requirements

- Manage emails by labels
- Support attachments

*speculation

Gmail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value BLOB
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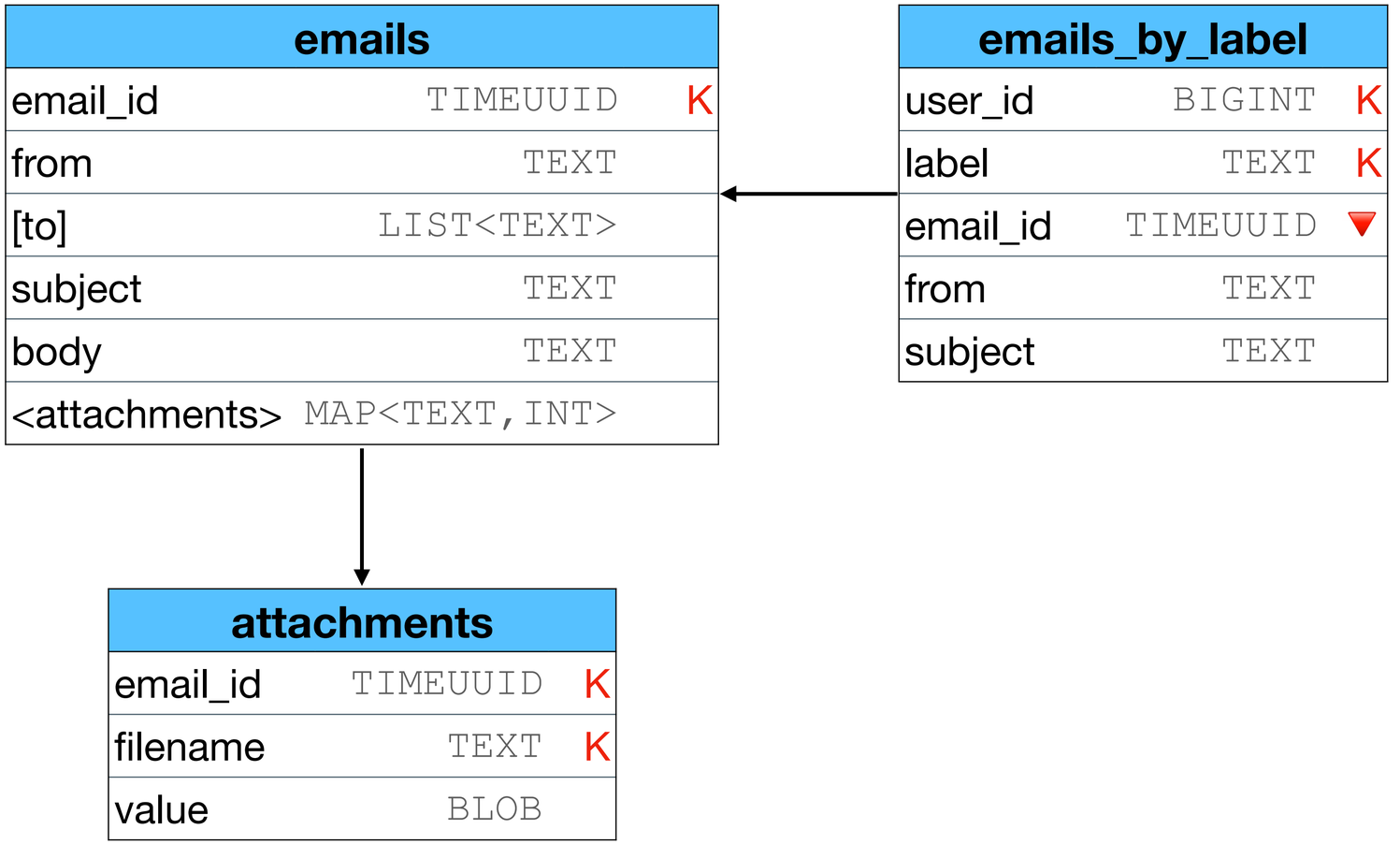
Gmail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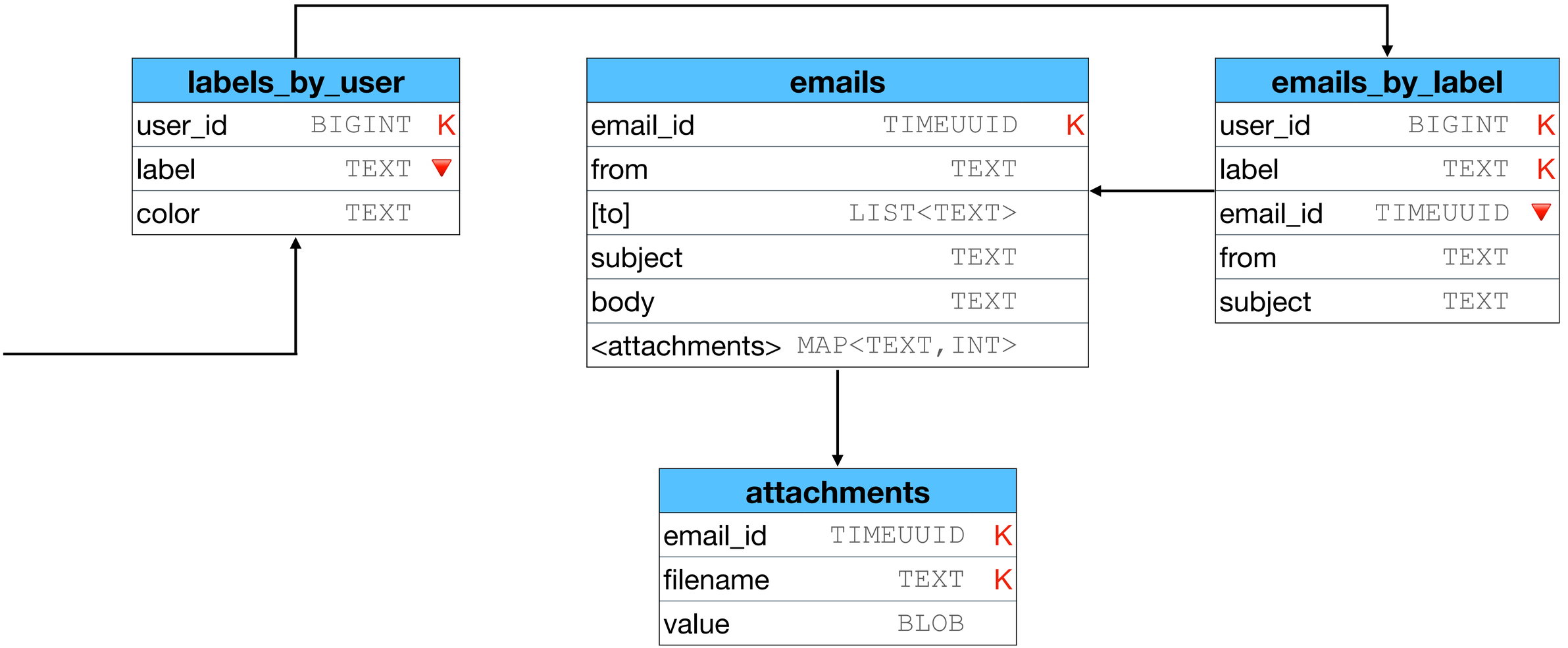
Gmail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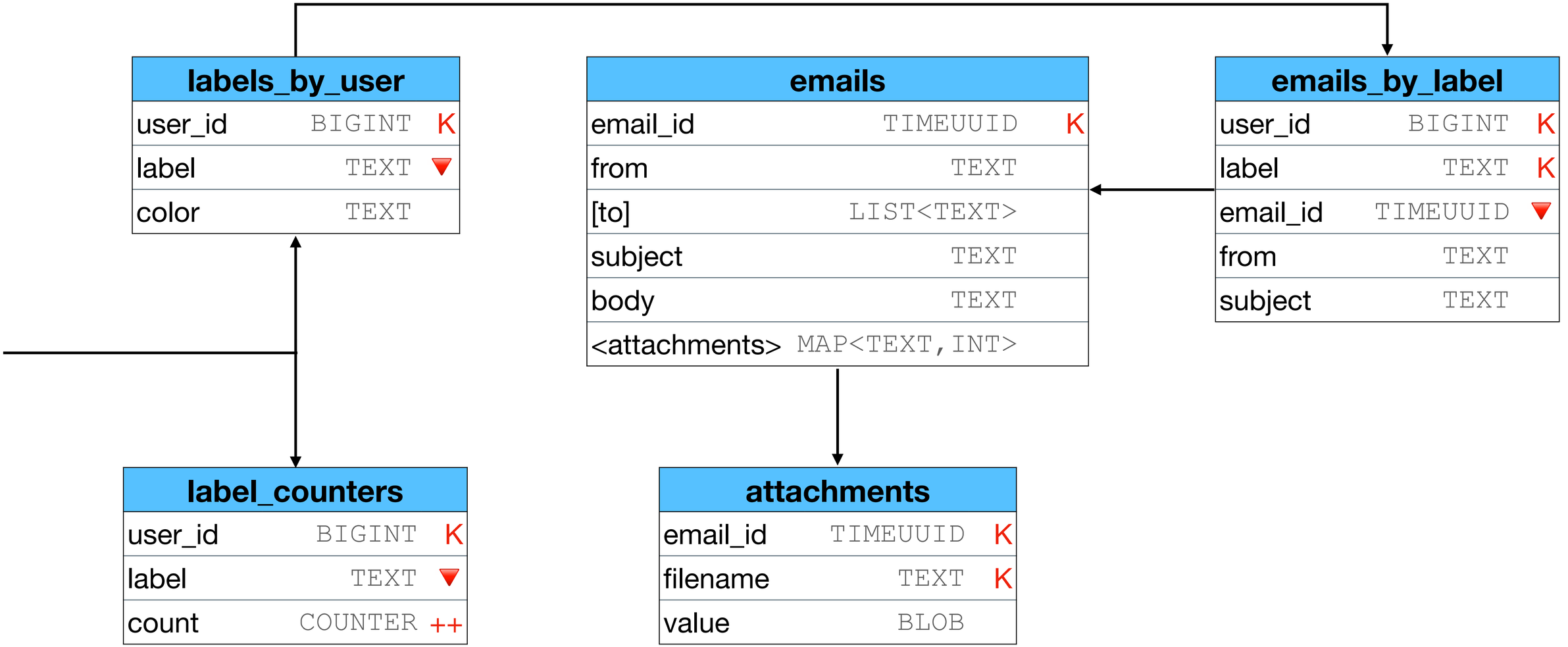
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filename TEXT K
value BLOB

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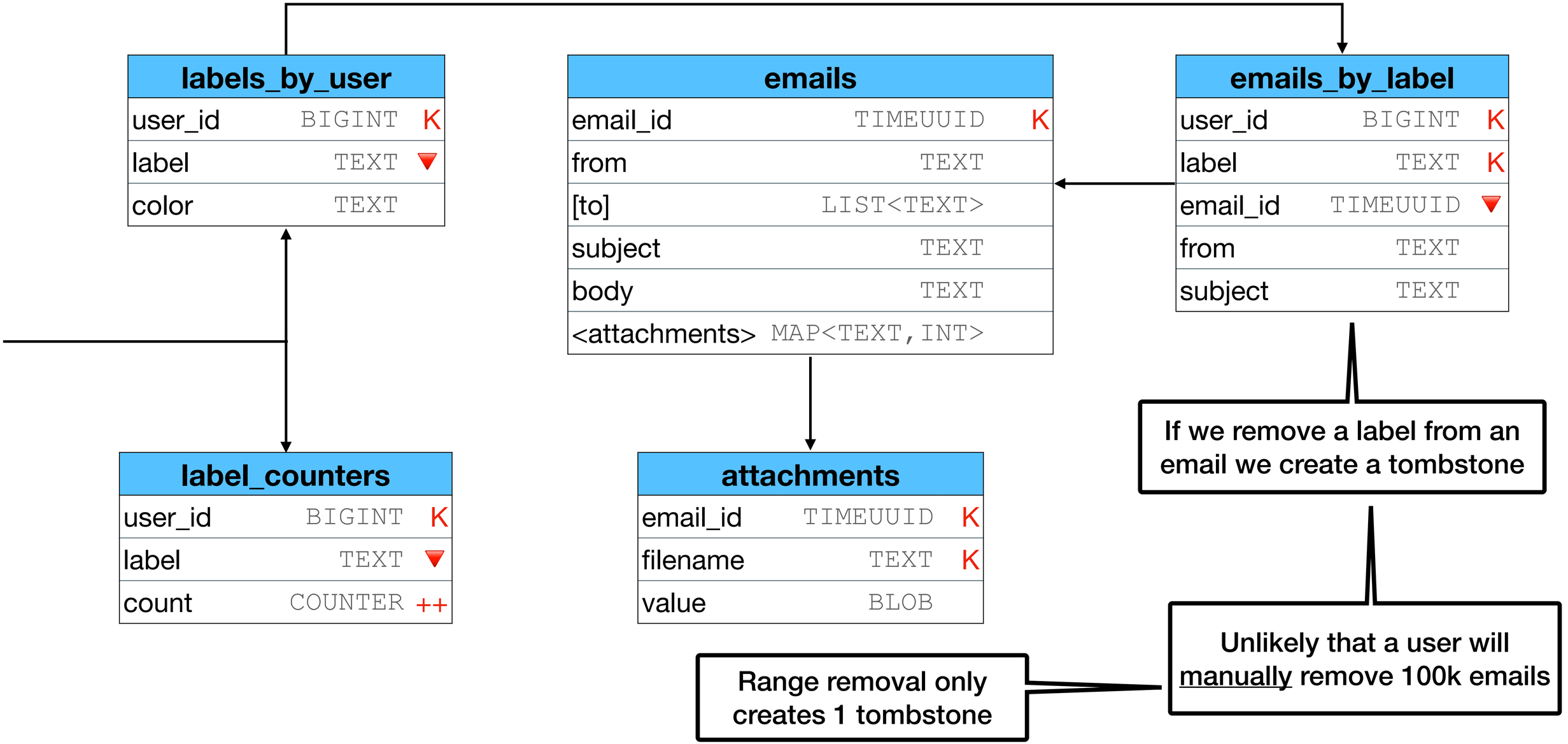
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label TEXT ▼
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attachments
email_id TIMEUUID K
filename TEXT K
value BLOB
If we remove a label from an email we create a tombstone
Unlikely that a user will manually remove 100k emails
Range removal only creates 1 tombstone

Instagram

Requirements (basic)

- Follow users
- Post
- Like, comment

*speculation

Instagram

posts		
post_id	TIMEUUID	K
user_id	BIGINT	
[pictures]	LIST<TEXT>	
body	TEXT	
{tags}	SET<text>	

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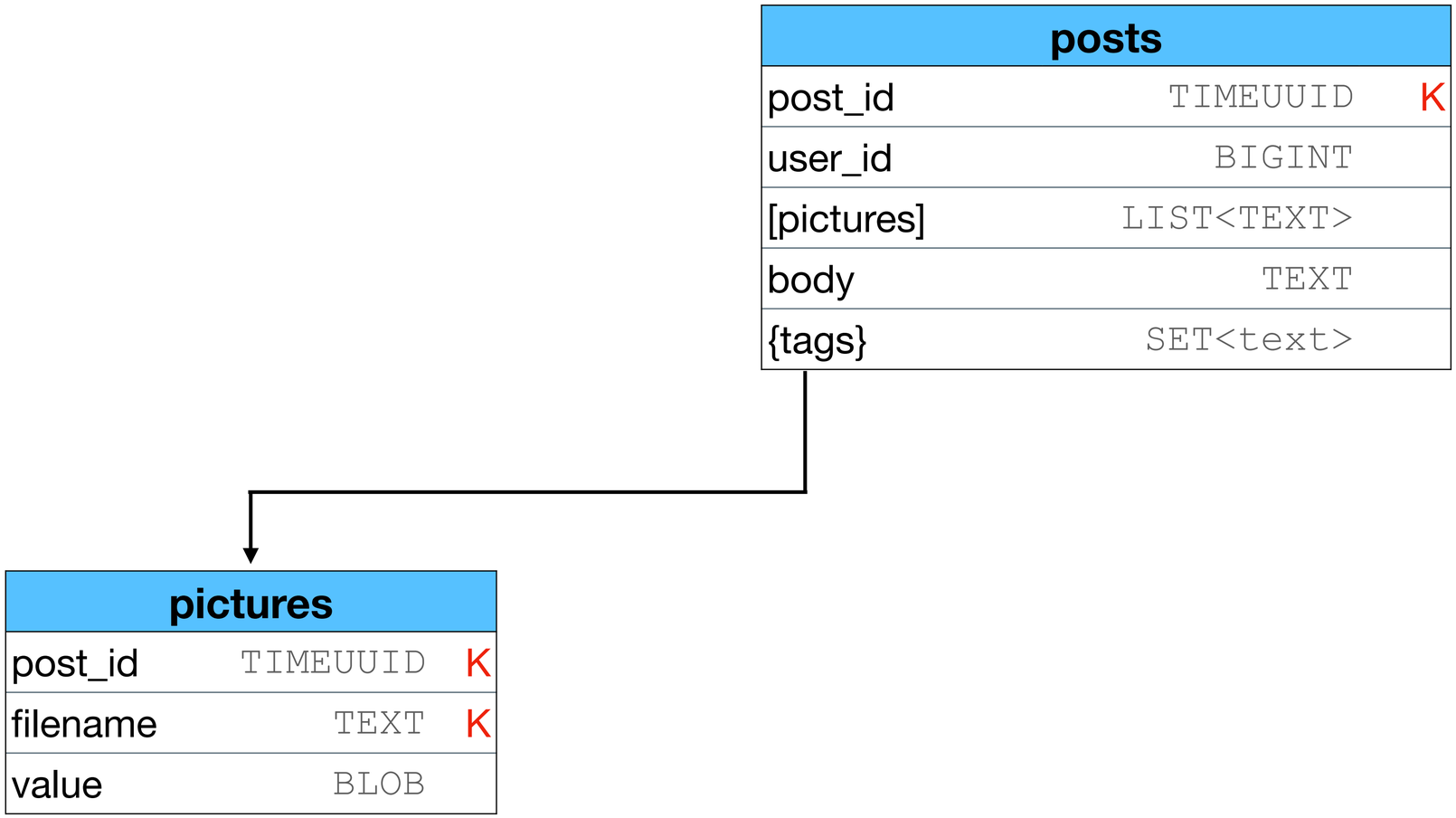
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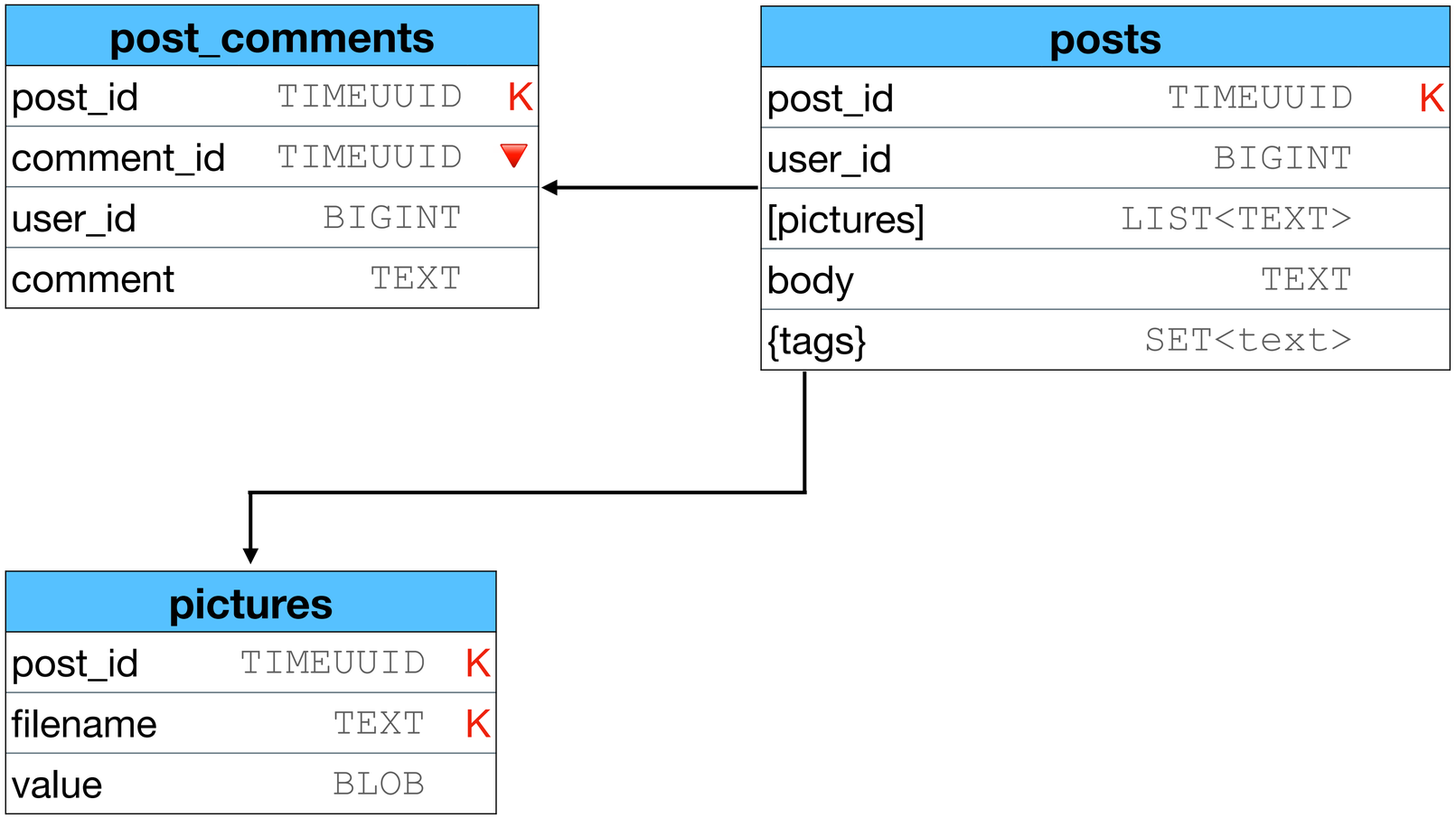
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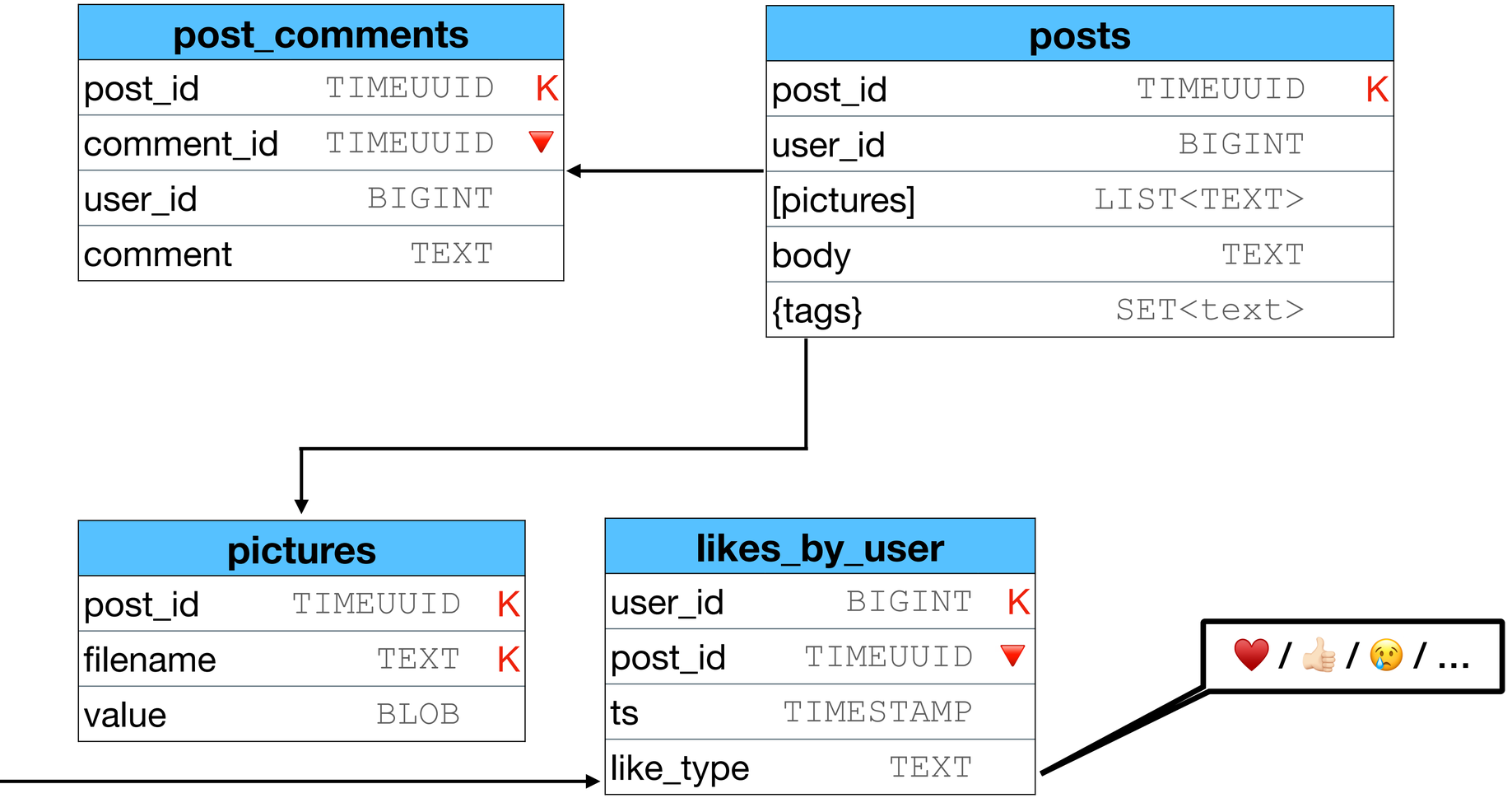
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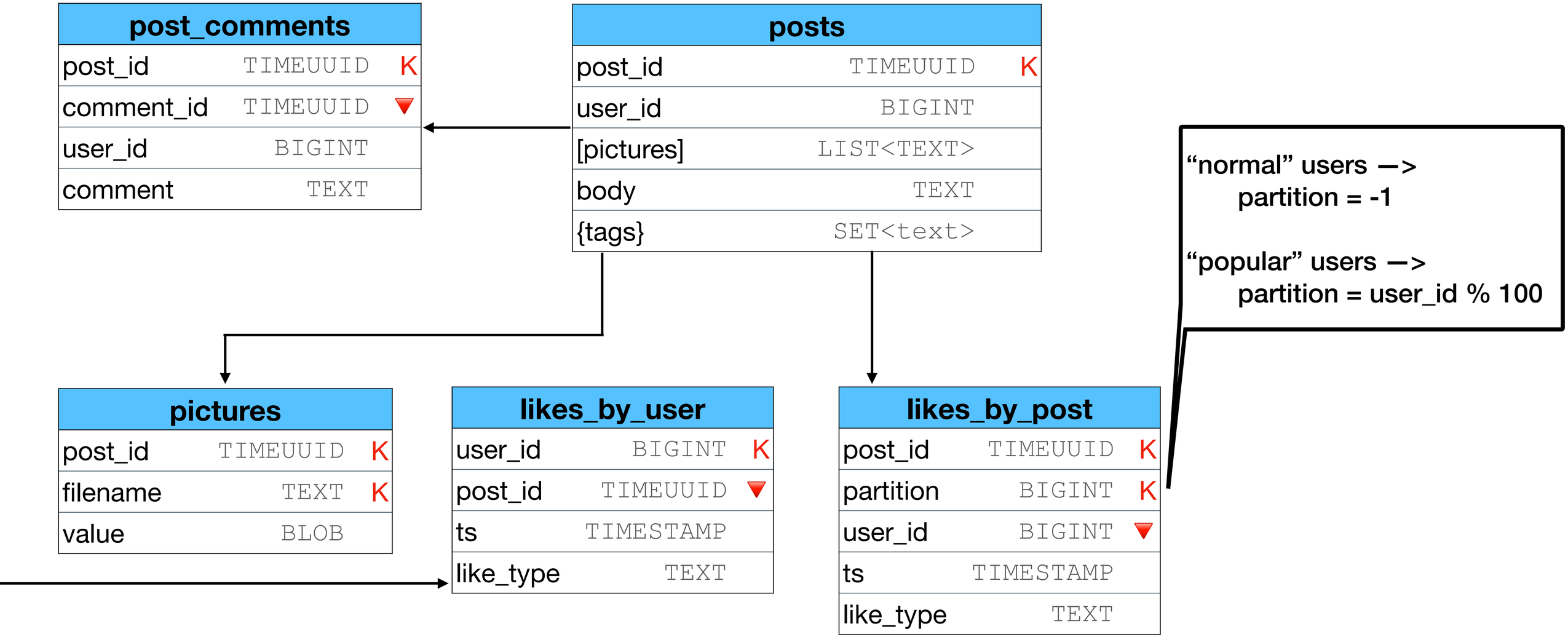
post_id TIMEUUID K
filename TEXT K
value BLOB
likes_by_user
user_id BIGINT K
post_id TIMEUUID 🔻
ts TIMESTAMP
like_type TEXT
❤️ / 👍🏻 / 😢 / ...

Instagram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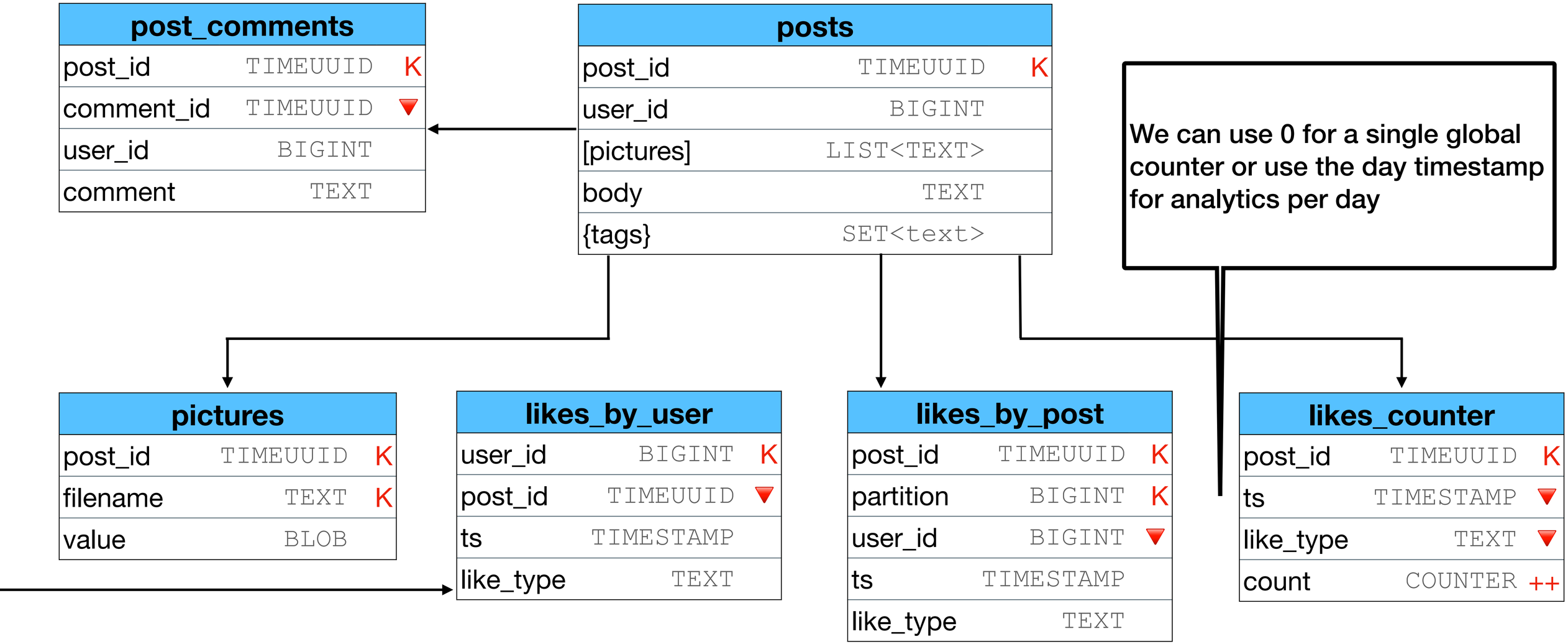
“normal” users —>
partition = -1
“popular” users —>
partition = user_id % 100

Instagram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We can use 0 for a single global counter or use the day timestamp for analytics per day
pictures
post_id TIMEUUID K
filename TEXT K
value BLOB
likes_by_user
user_id BIGINT K
post_id TIMEUUID ▼
ts TIMESTAMP
like_type TEXT
likes_by_post
post_id TIMEUUID K
partition BIGINT K
user_id BIGINT ▼
ts TIMESTAMP
like_type TEXT
likes_counter
post_id TIMEUUID K
ts TIMESTAMP ▼
like_type TEXT ▼
count COUNTER ++

Instagram

same logic as likes_by_post
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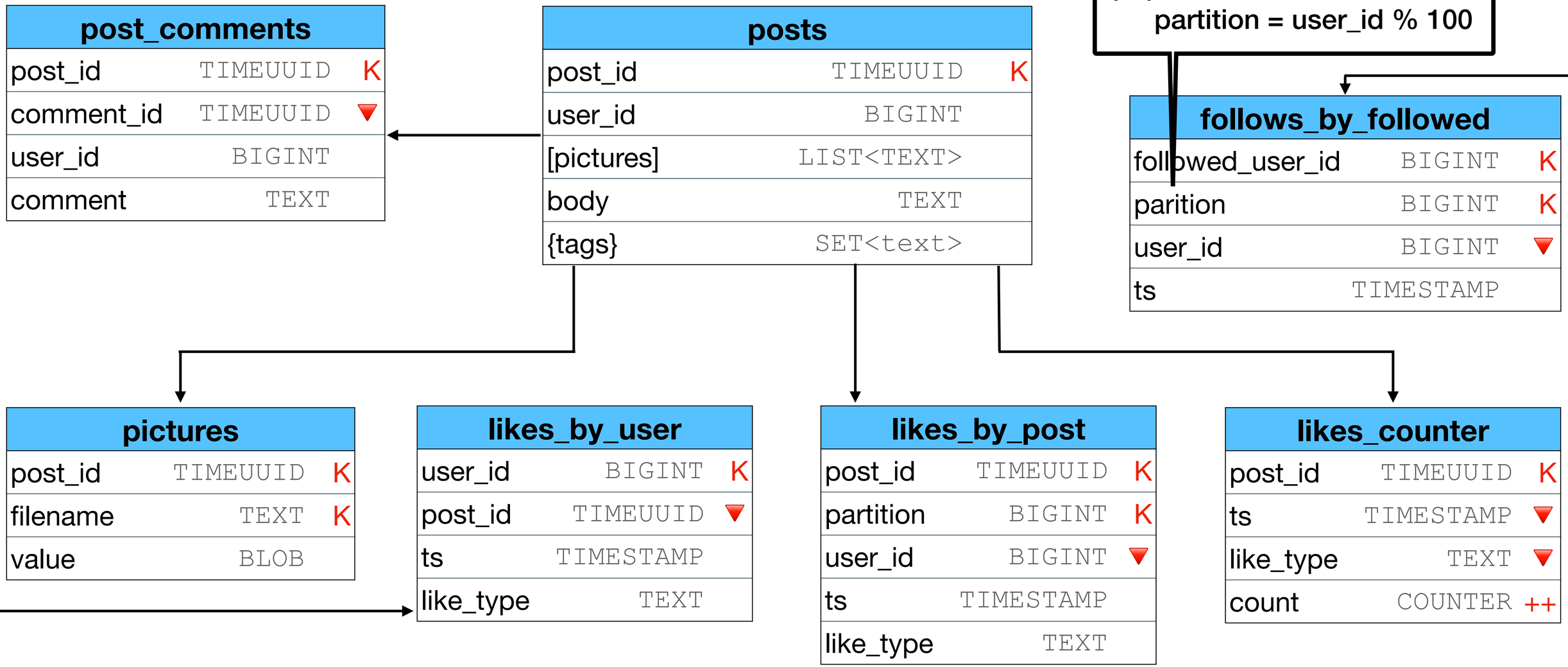

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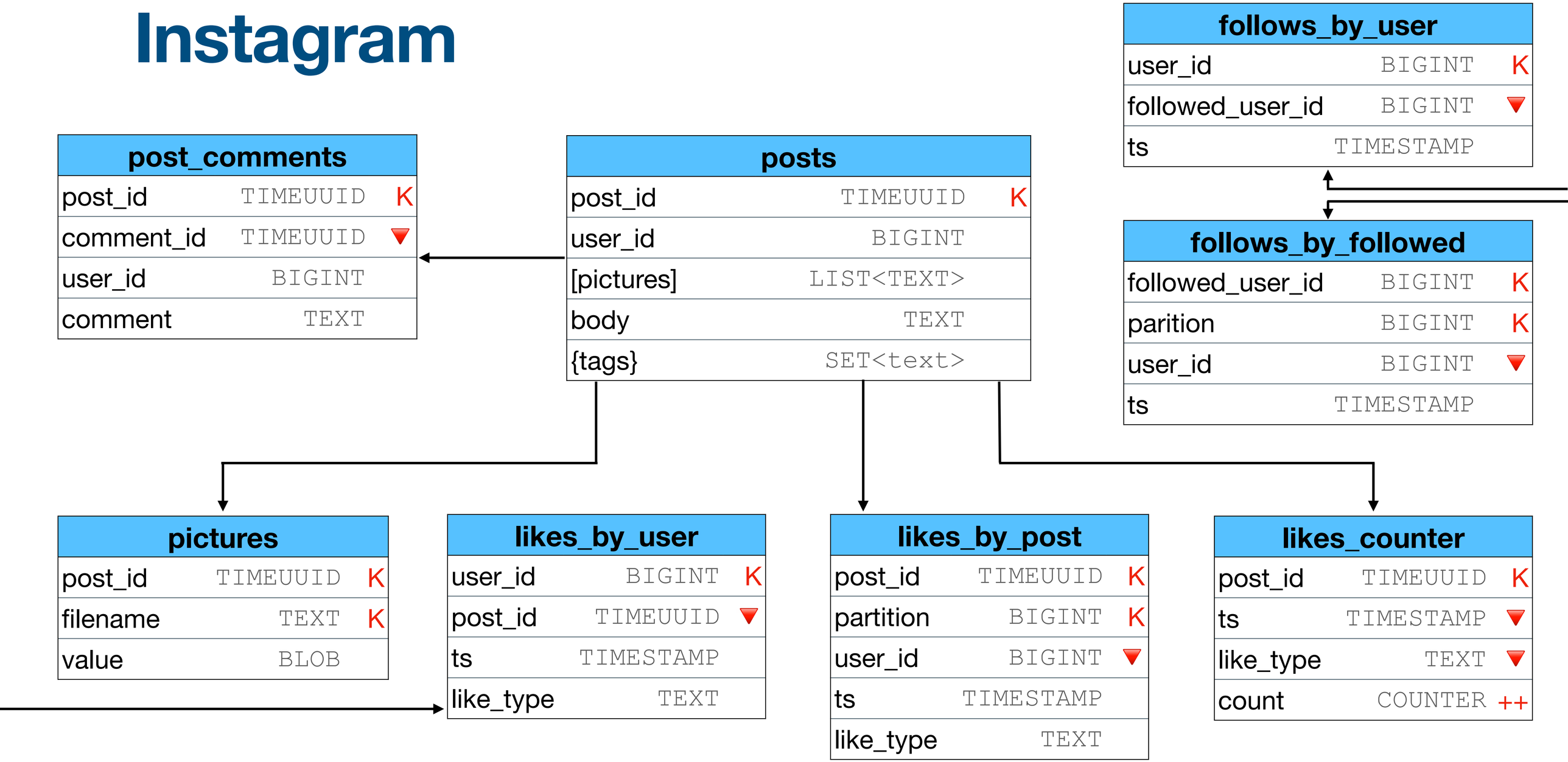
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