Announcing the Best Crypto Competition!

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- Hence, we are starting a competition to fill the much-needed gap...

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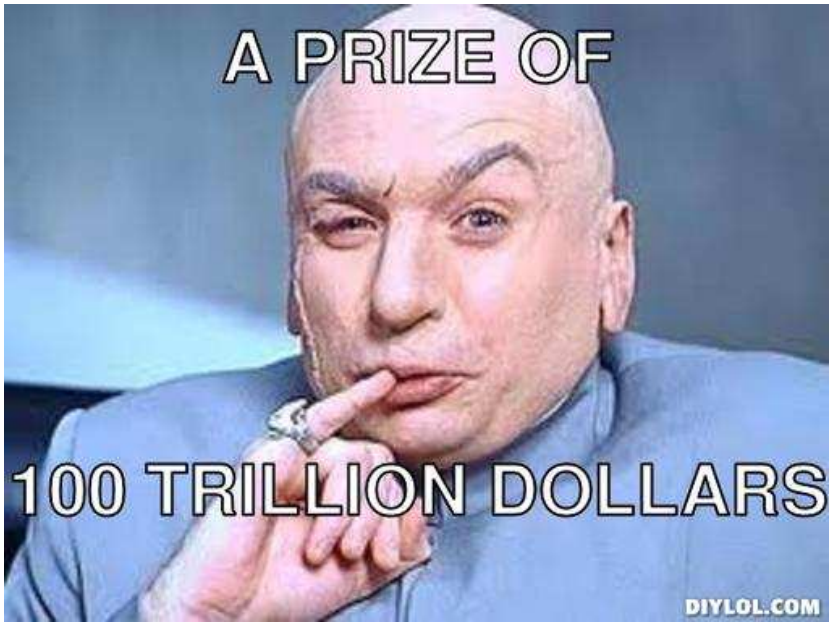

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- The **only crypto competition** to be supported by the information domination center, and his excellence, the emperor Alexander

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- The cipher **must** make the user feel secure

Extra Features == Extra Points!

- Decryption being correct most of the time
- NSA endorsing your design
- Implementations on a wide range of platforms
- Should rely on patents
- Protection against front-channel attacks
- Paying companies to deploy your design
- Master keys stored on an internet-connected machine
- Inventing original backdoors
- Synergetic and multidisciplinary designs
- Published at TCC
- Protection against cash attacks
- Proof of knowledge of backdoor
- Protection against decryption misuse
- Zero-accuracy proof of security

Things which are NOT ACCEPTED

- Chaos based cryptography
- Submissions form Joan Daemen and/or Vincent Rijmen
- Designs based on Serpent or the Cobra family

Timeline

2014

Q1

Announcement

Set deadline to Q3

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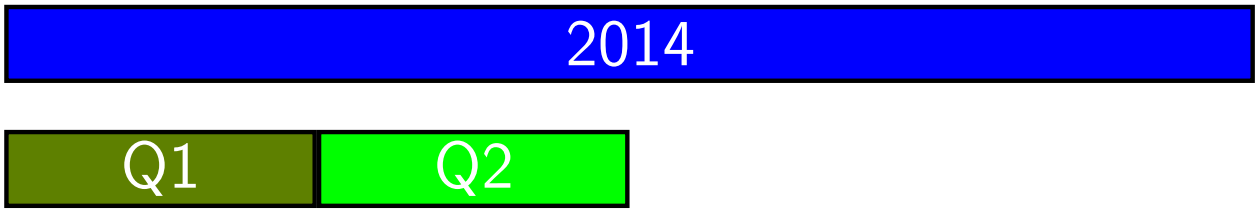

CFP released

Postpone deadline to Q4

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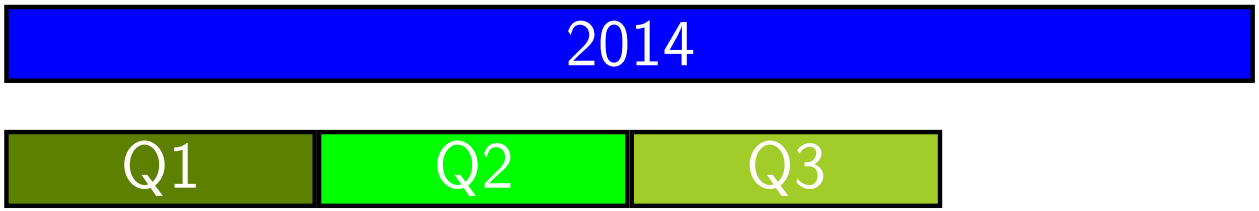

Push deadline back to Q2

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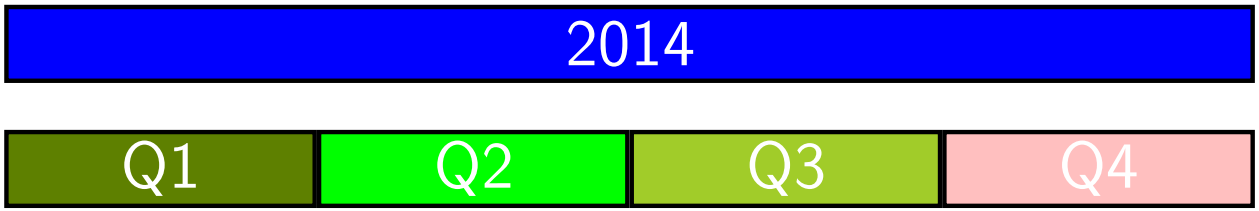

Open submission server

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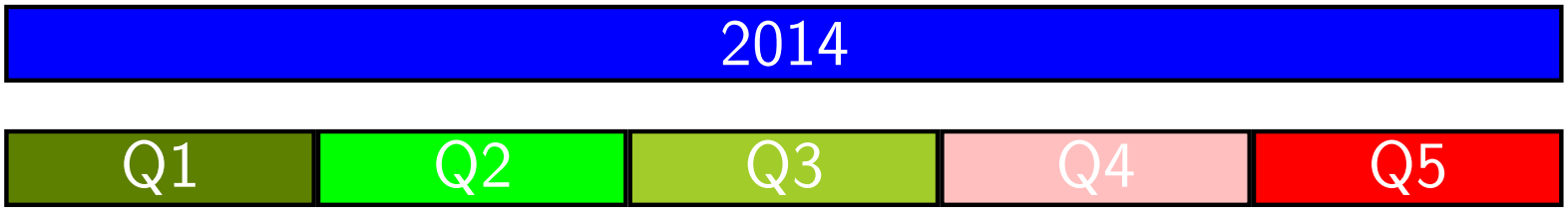

Ask for comments on call

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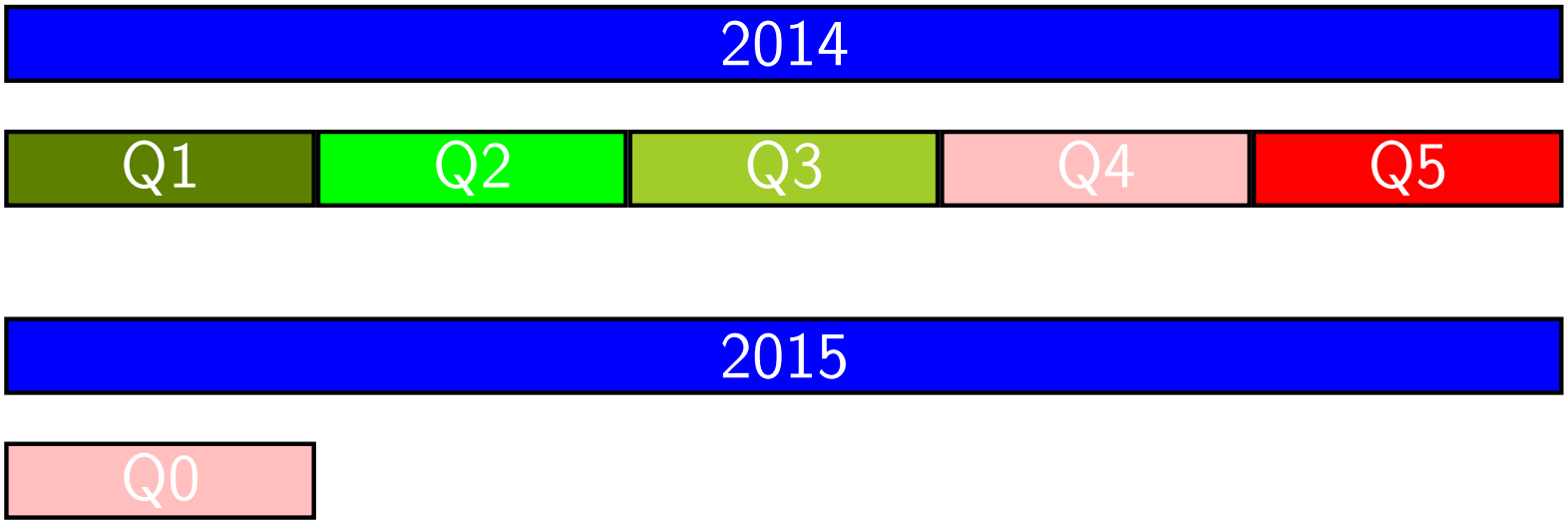

Tweaks

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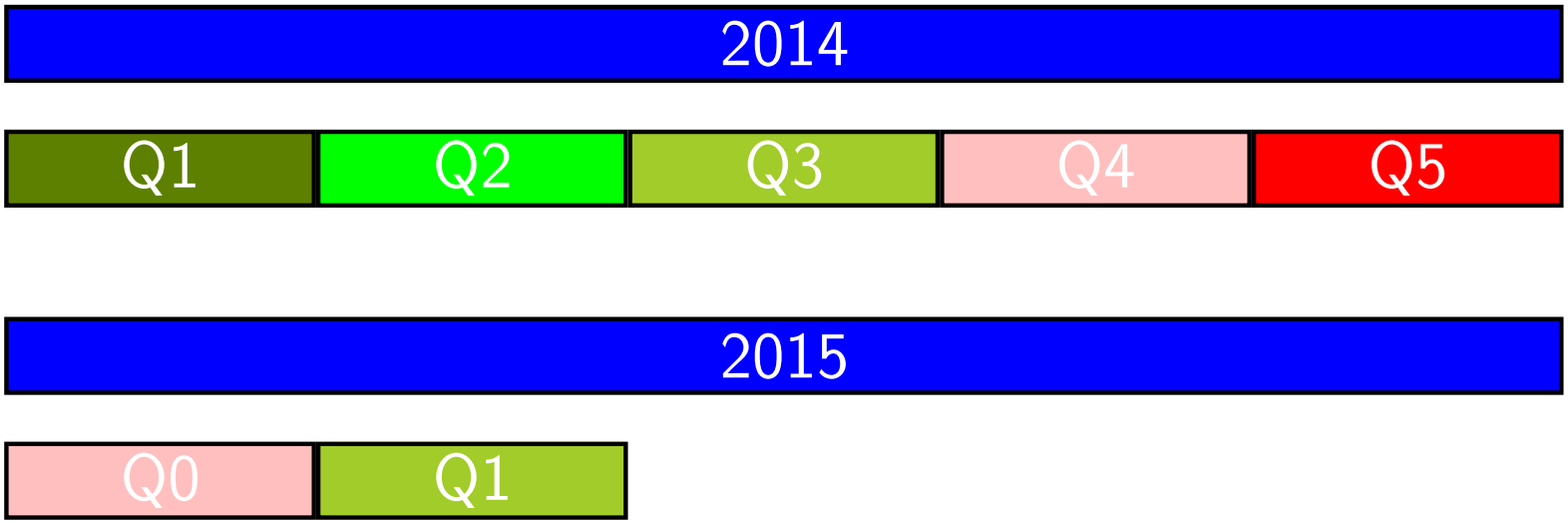

Real deadline

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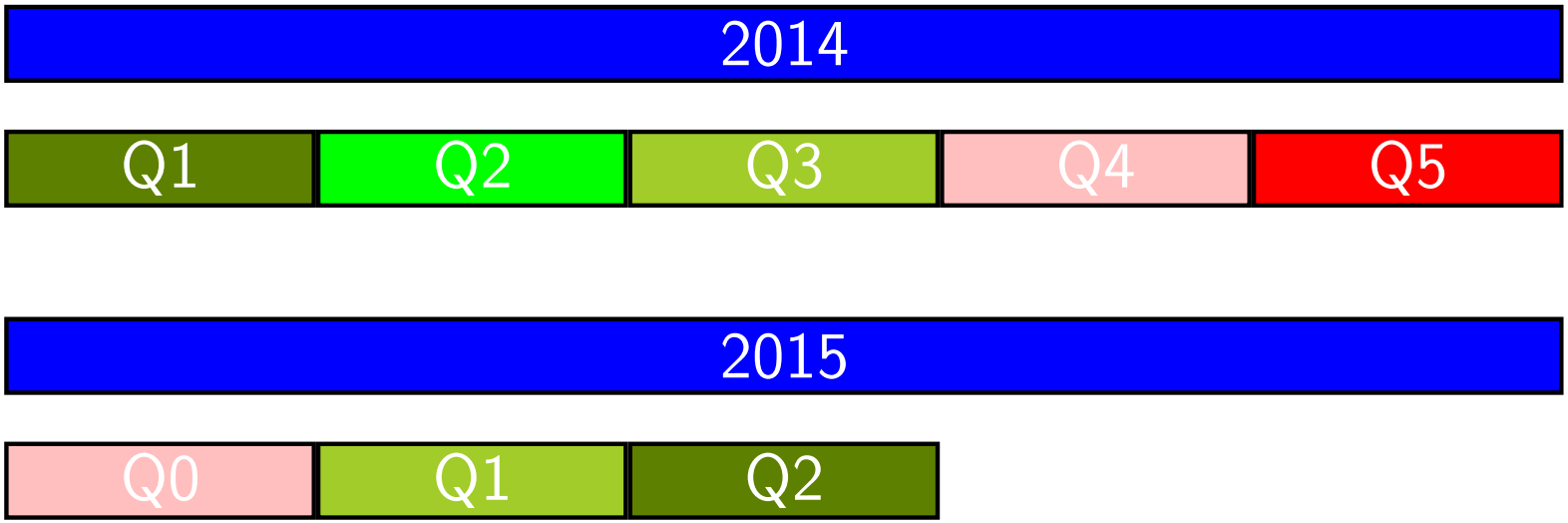

Candidate workshop

(collocation with Eurovision)

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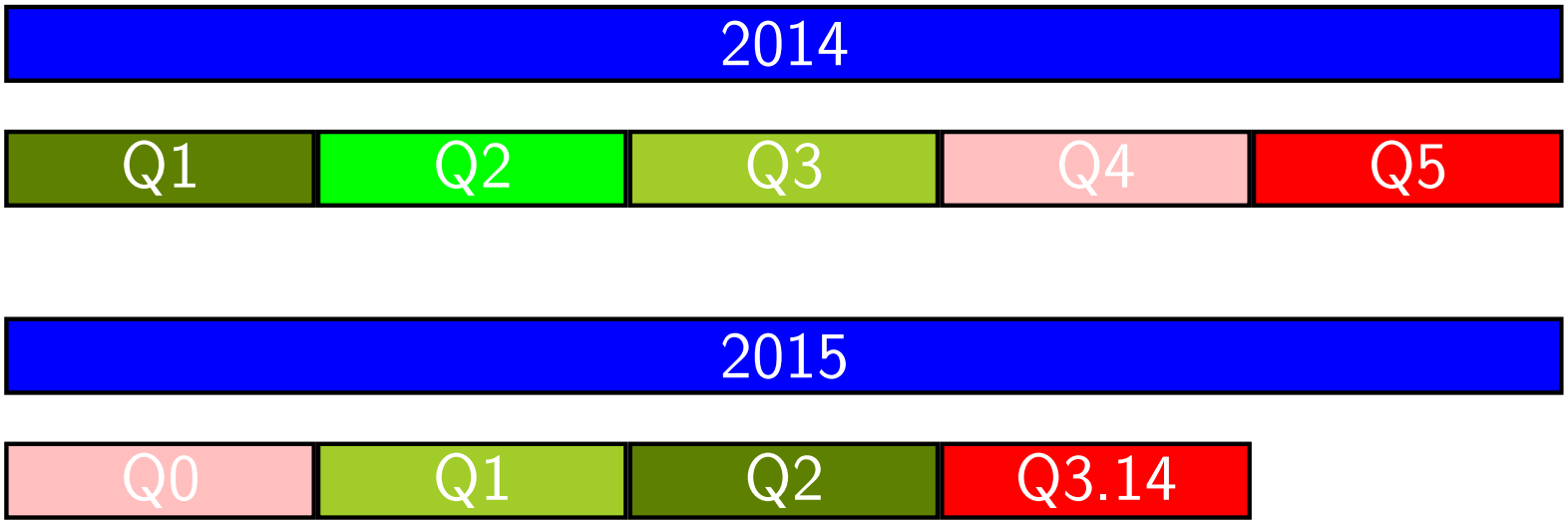

NSA comments
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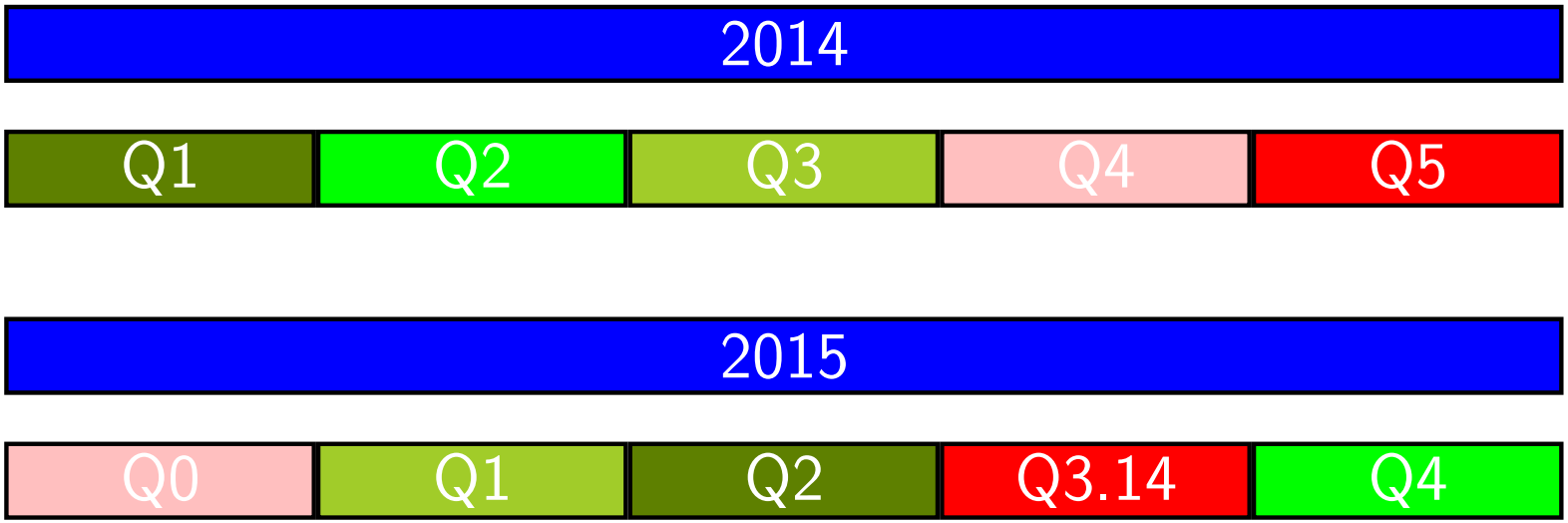

NSA comments (leaked)

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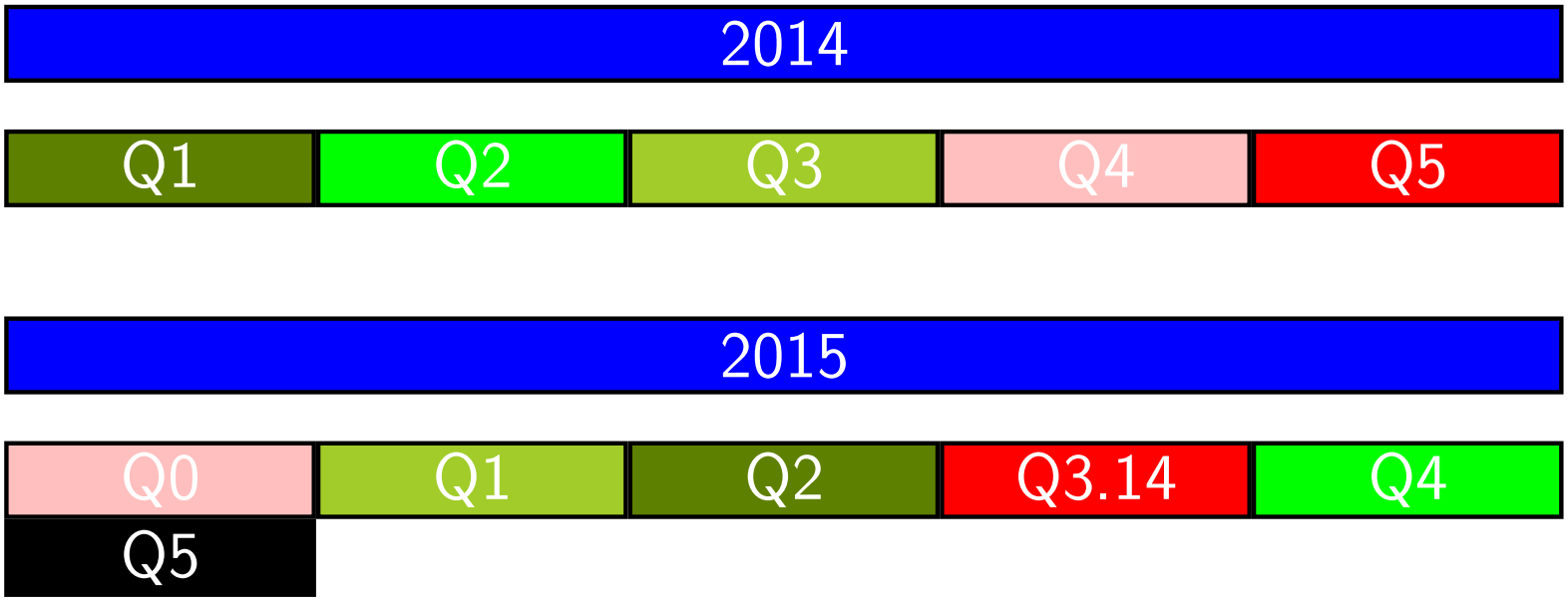

Winner selected!

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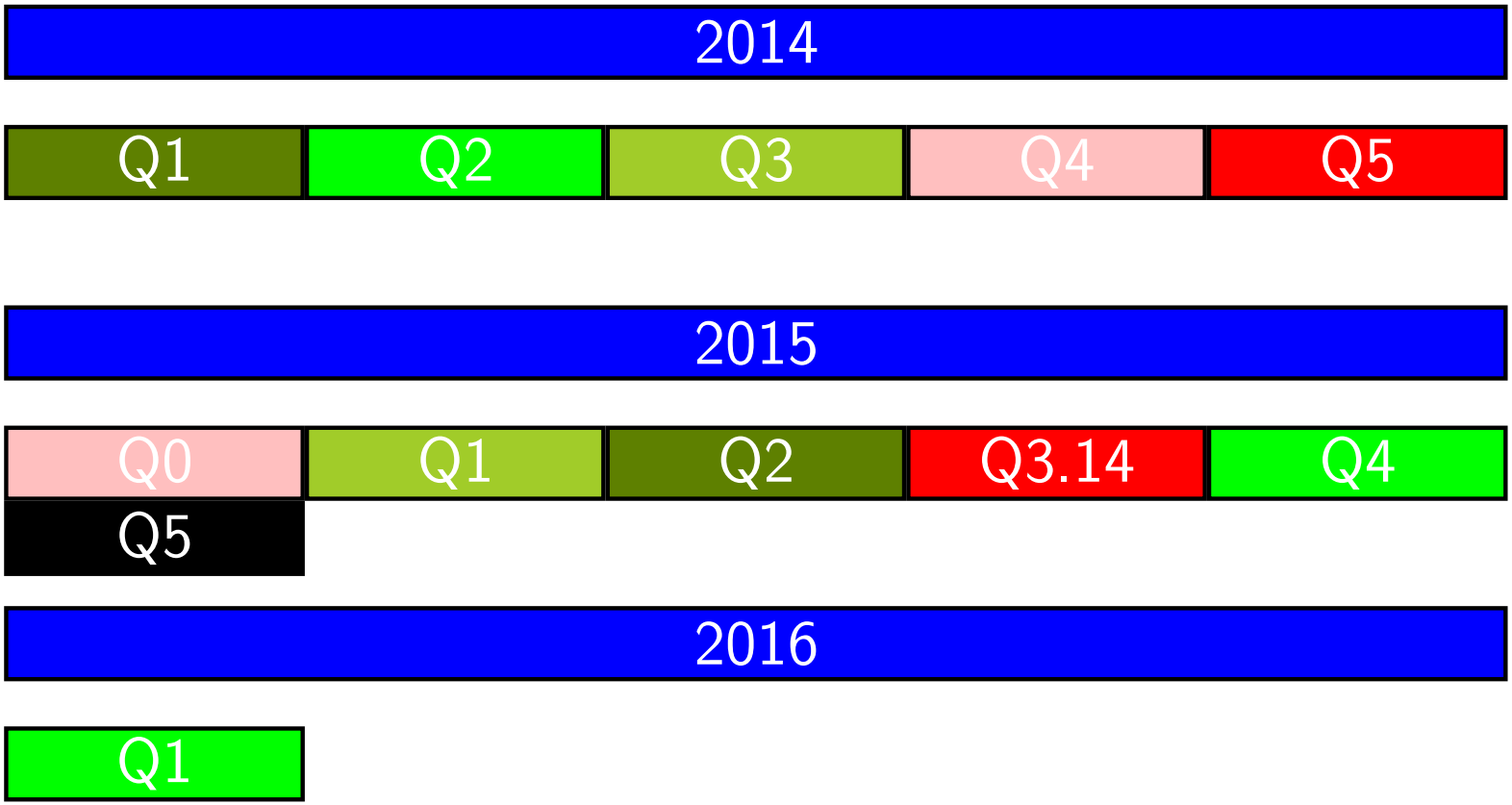

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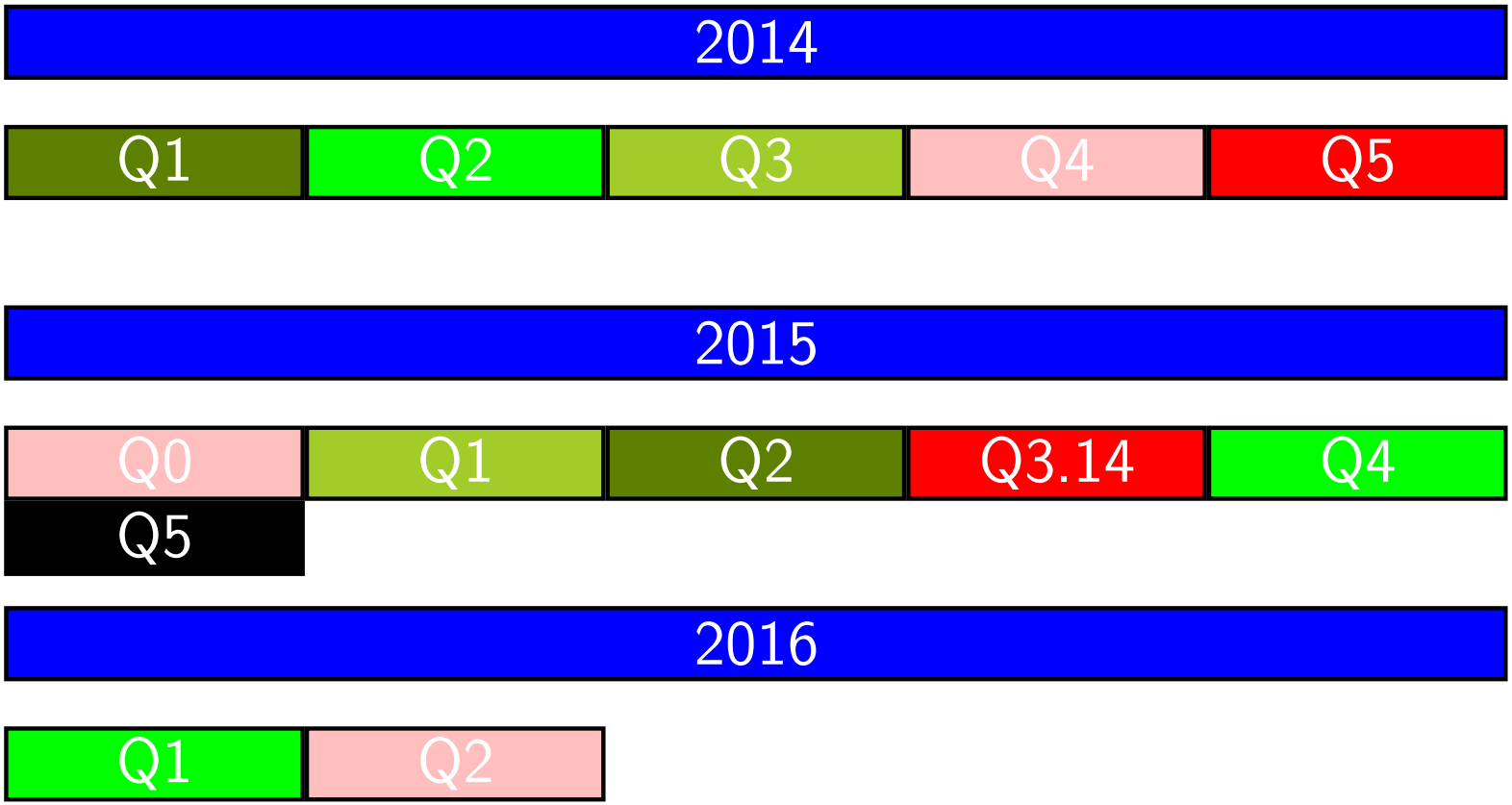

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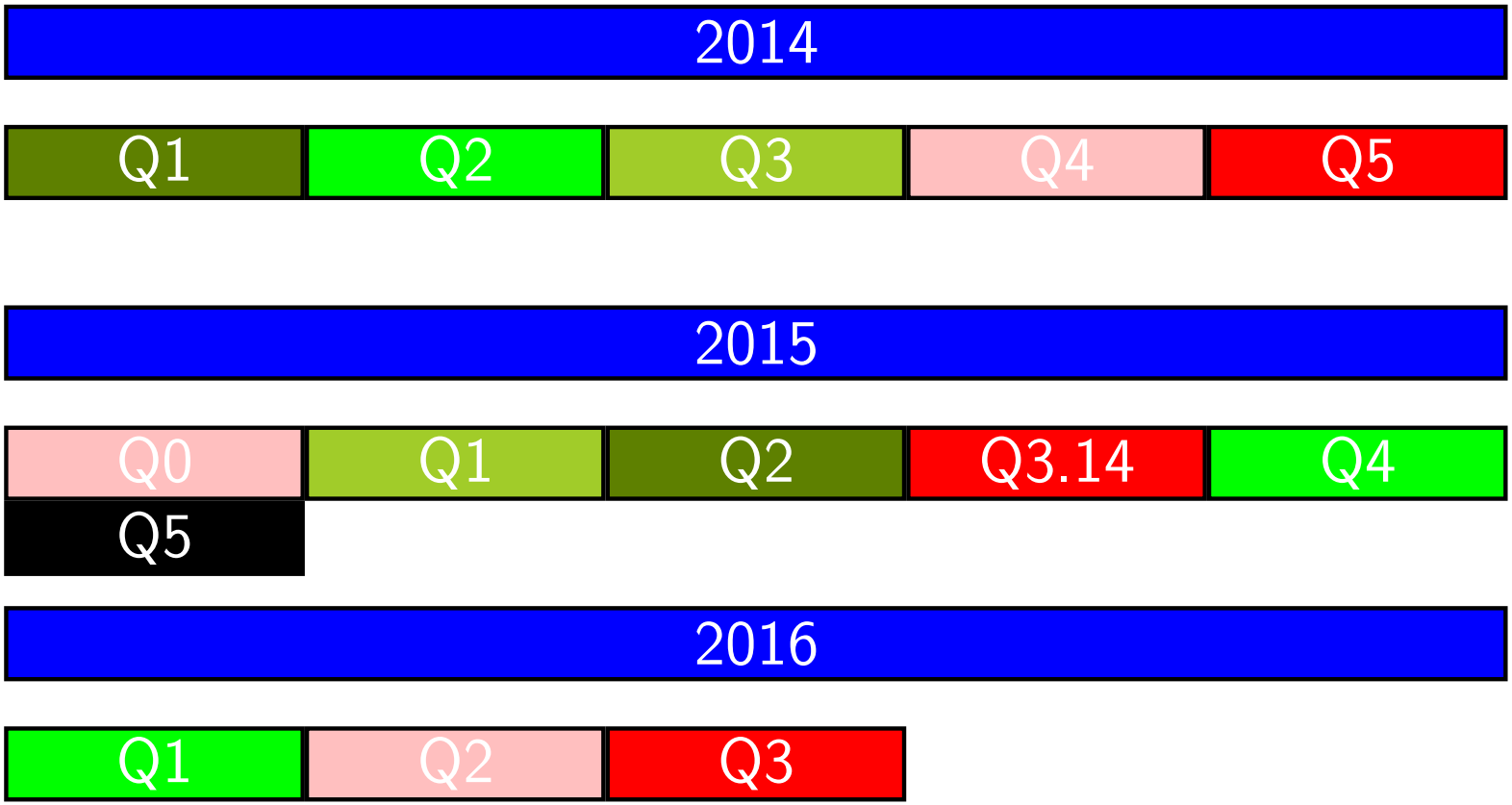

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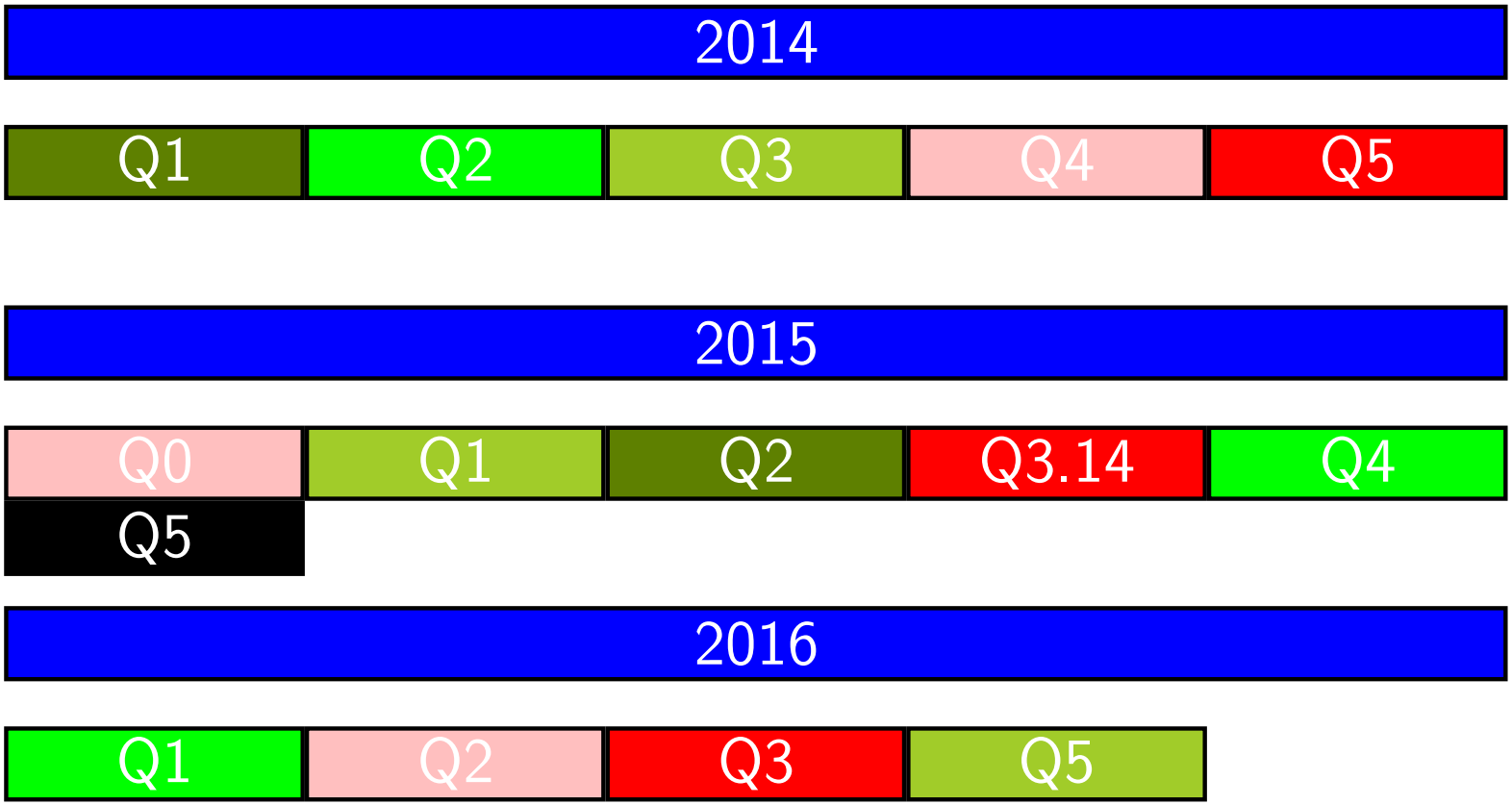

Standard is out!

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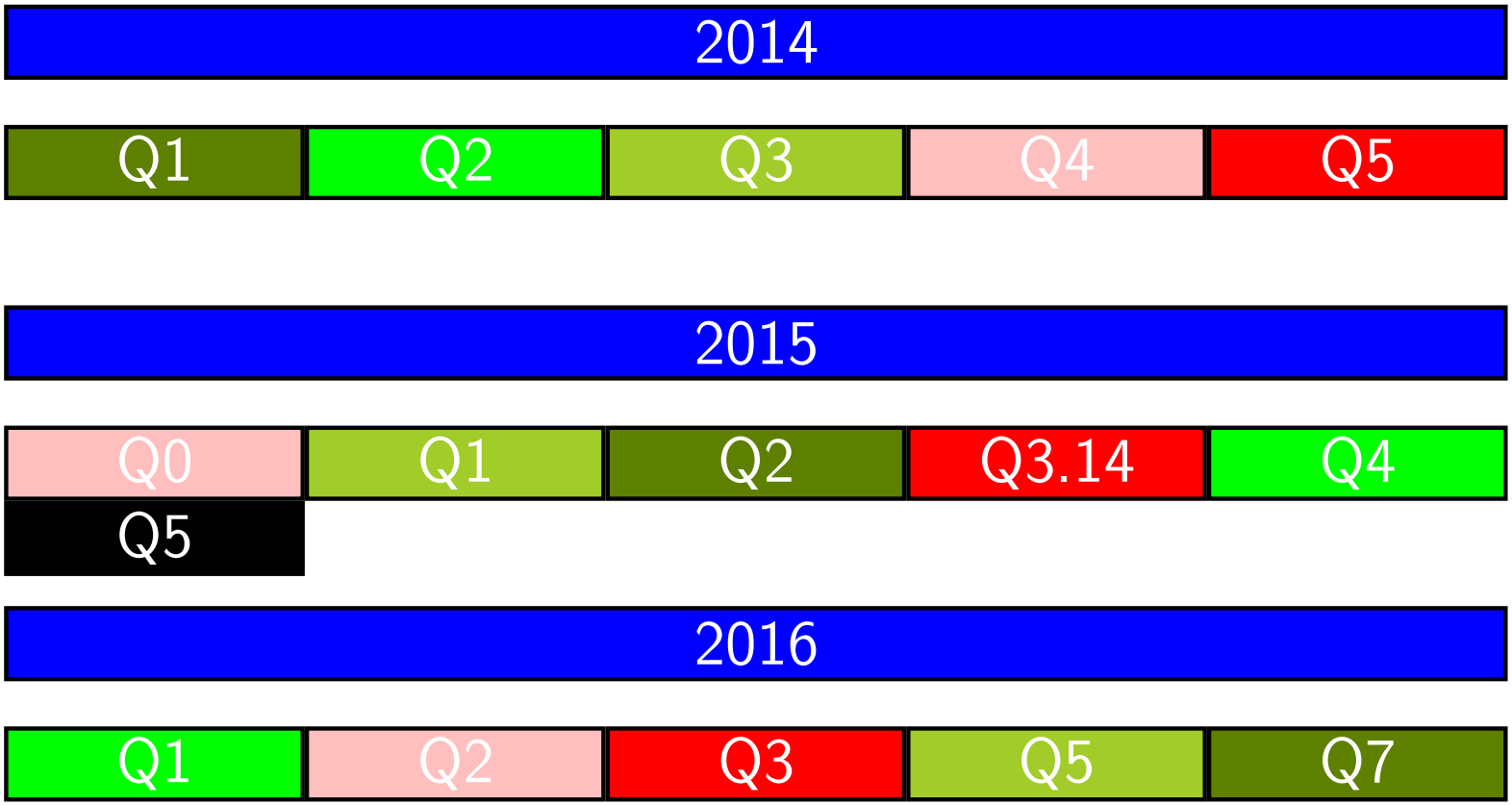

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