

# Working with Metal—Overview

Session 603

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GPU Software

# Metal

Dramatically reduced overhead

Unified graphics and compute

Precompiled shaders

Efficient multithreading

Designed for A7



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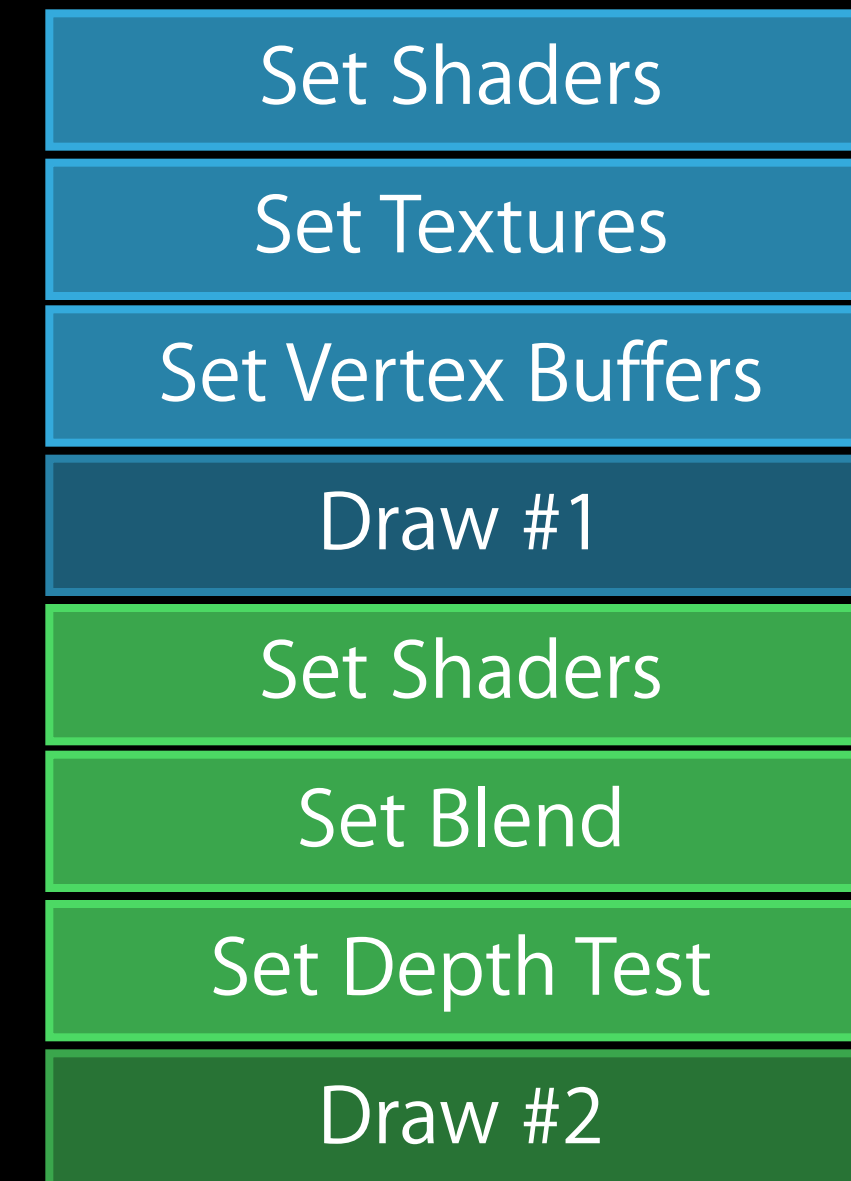
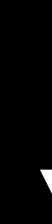
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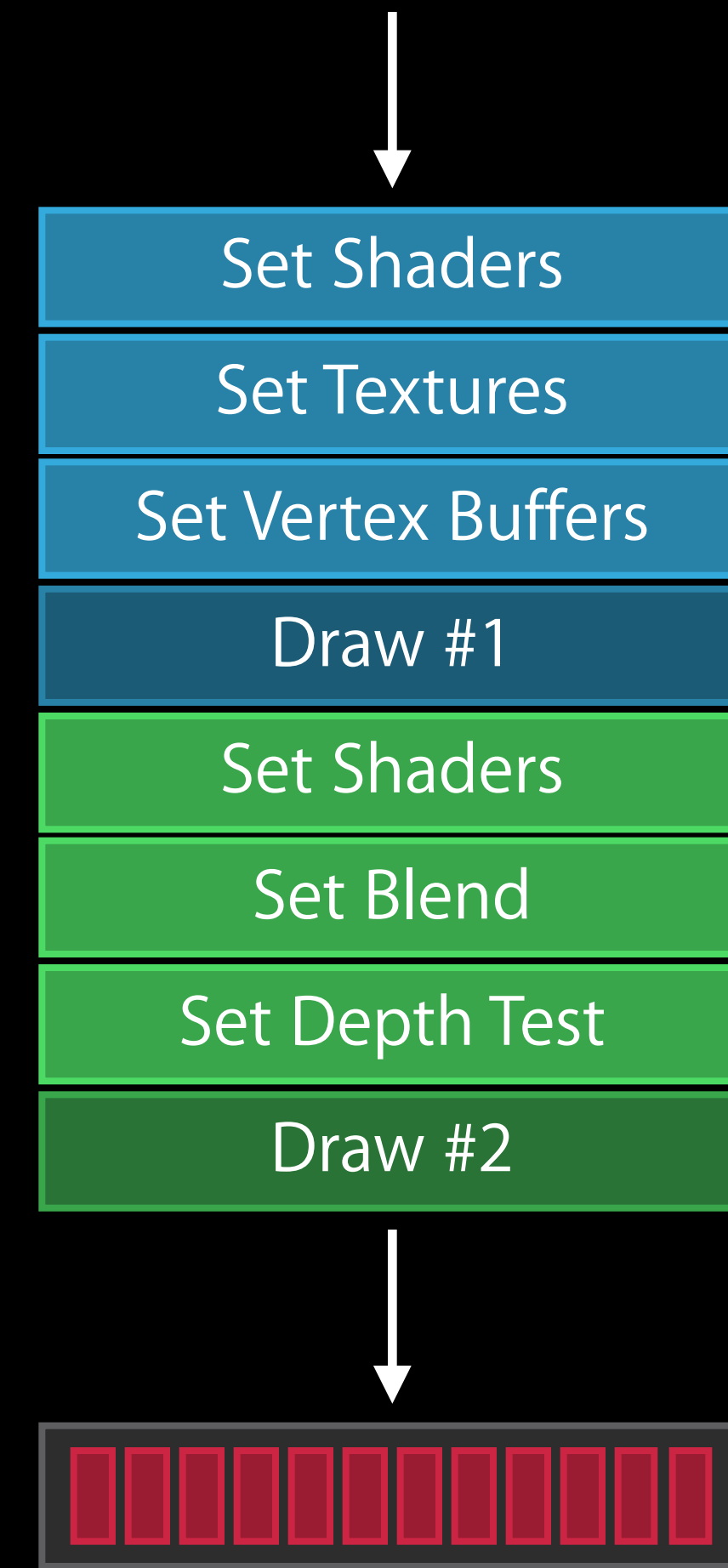
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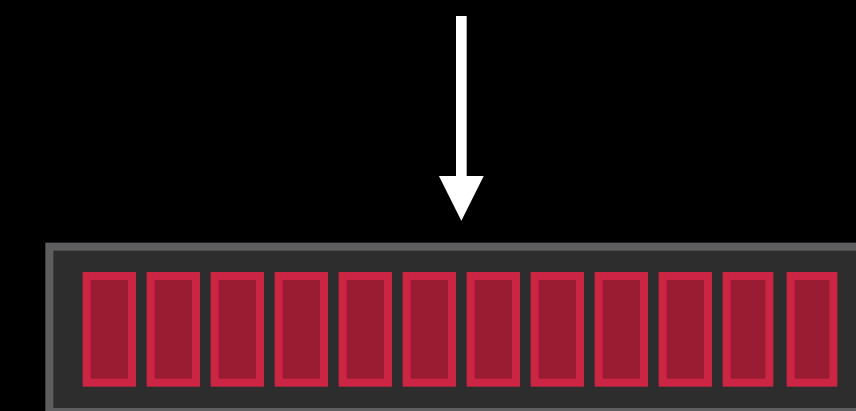
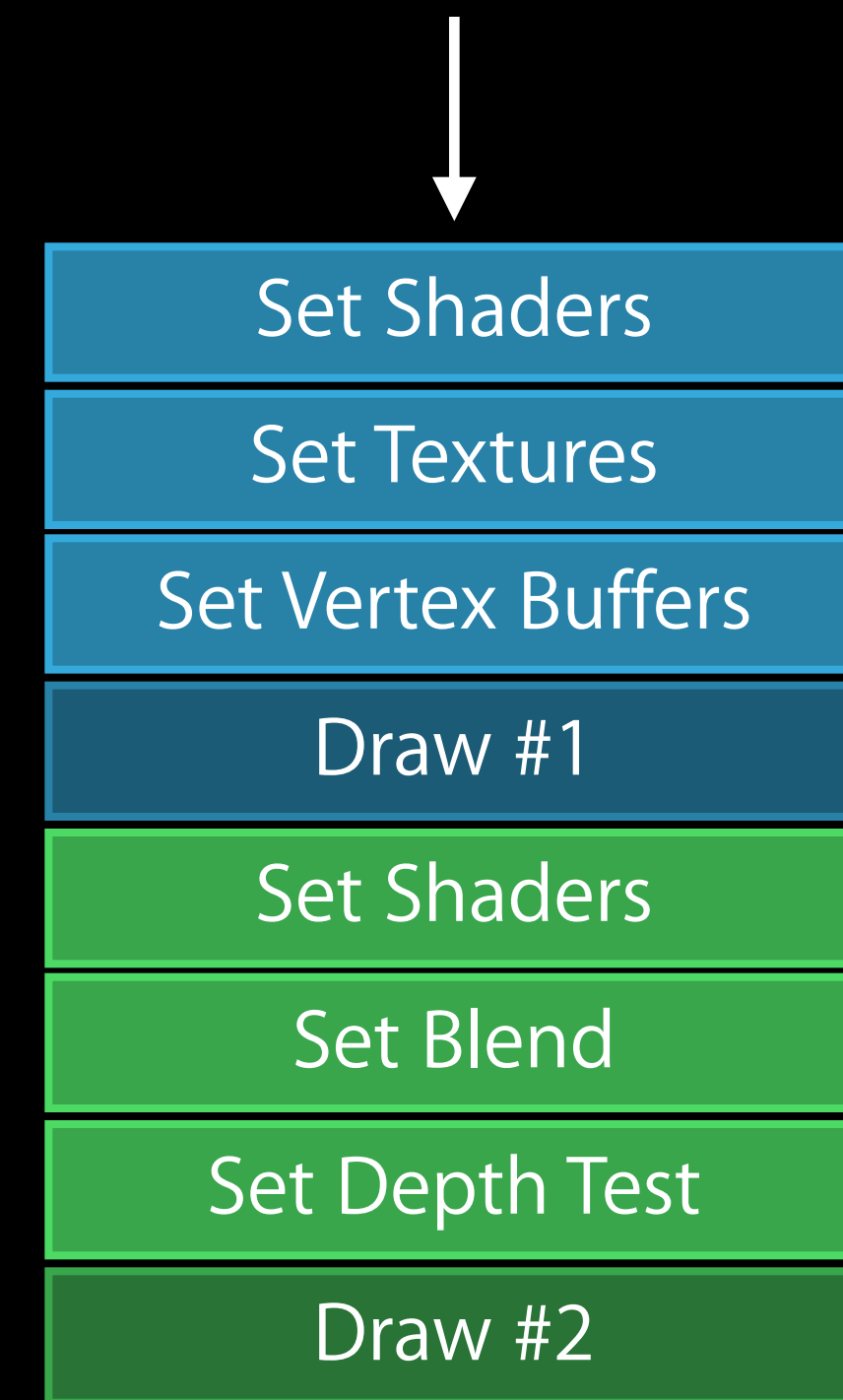
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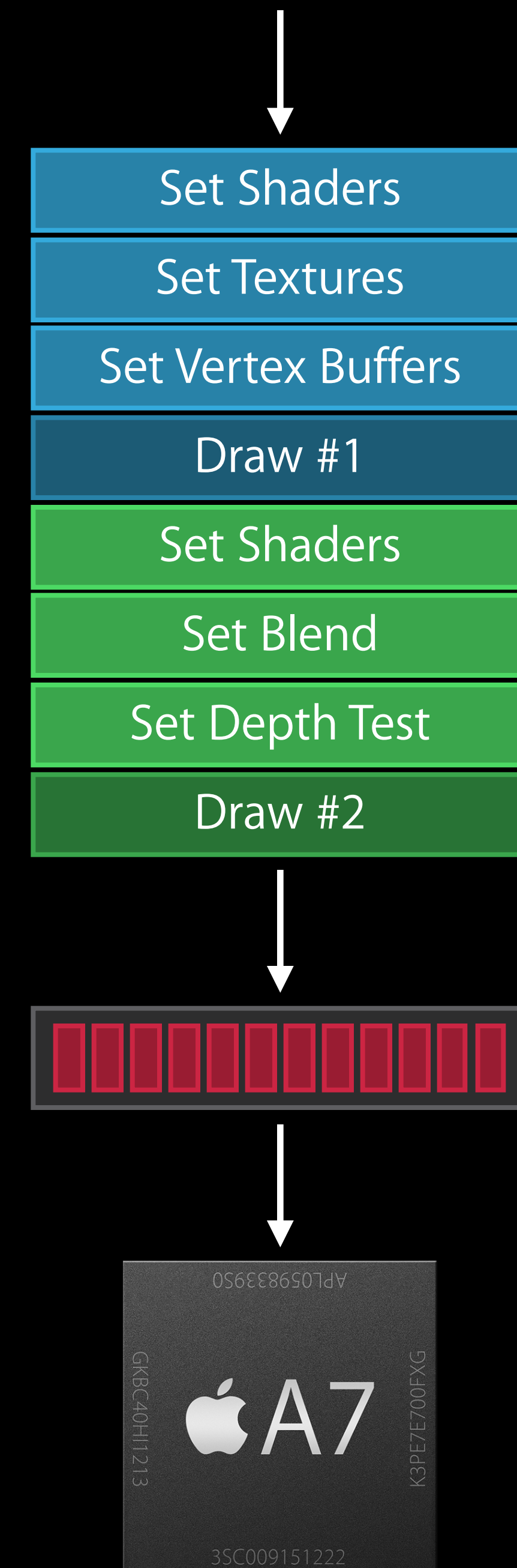
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More draw calls per frame gives you

- More unique objects
- More visual variety
- More freedom for game artists and designers

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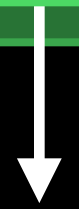
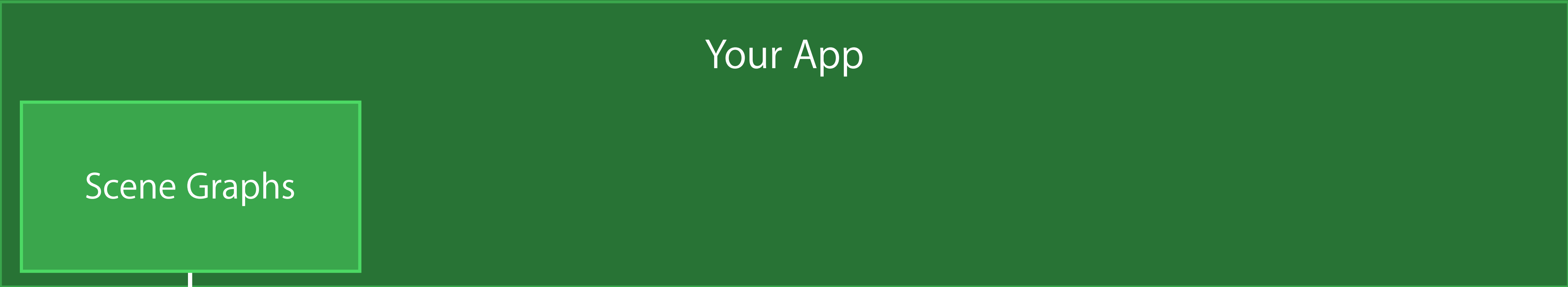
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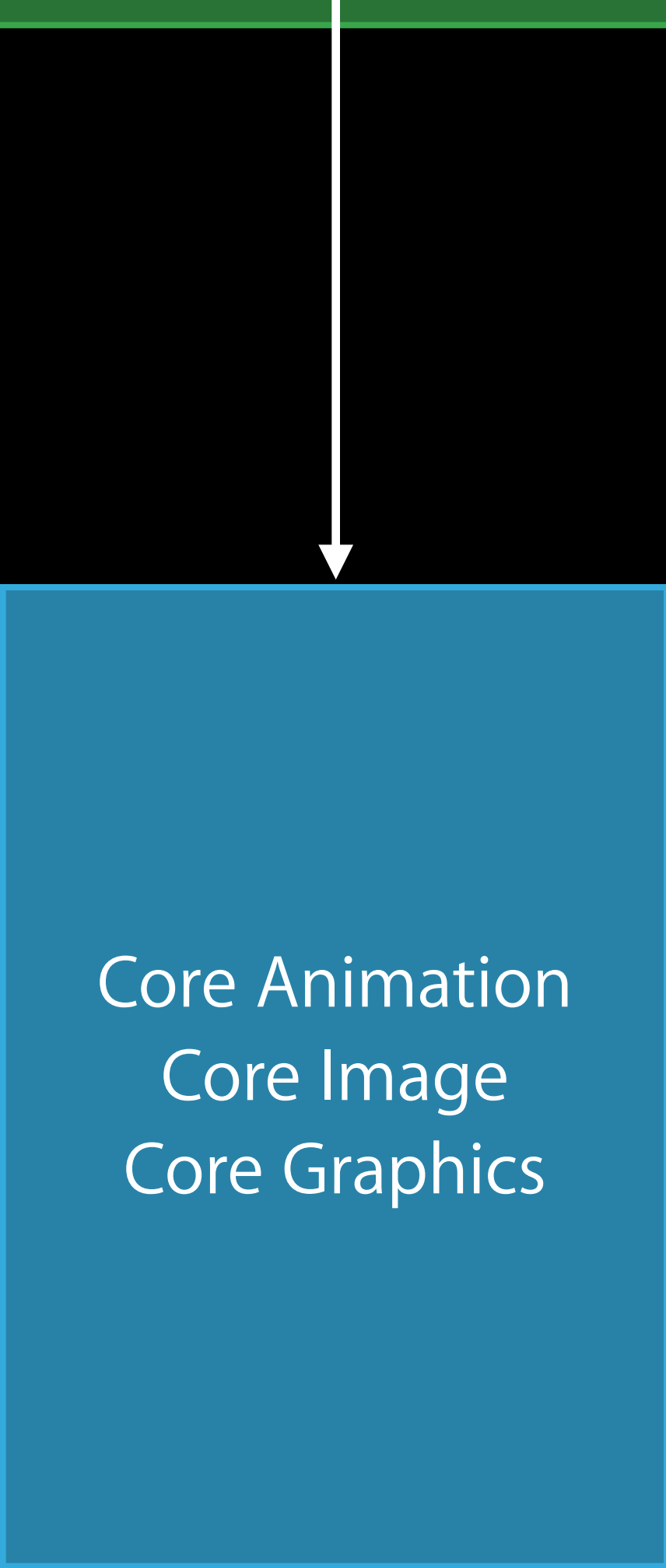
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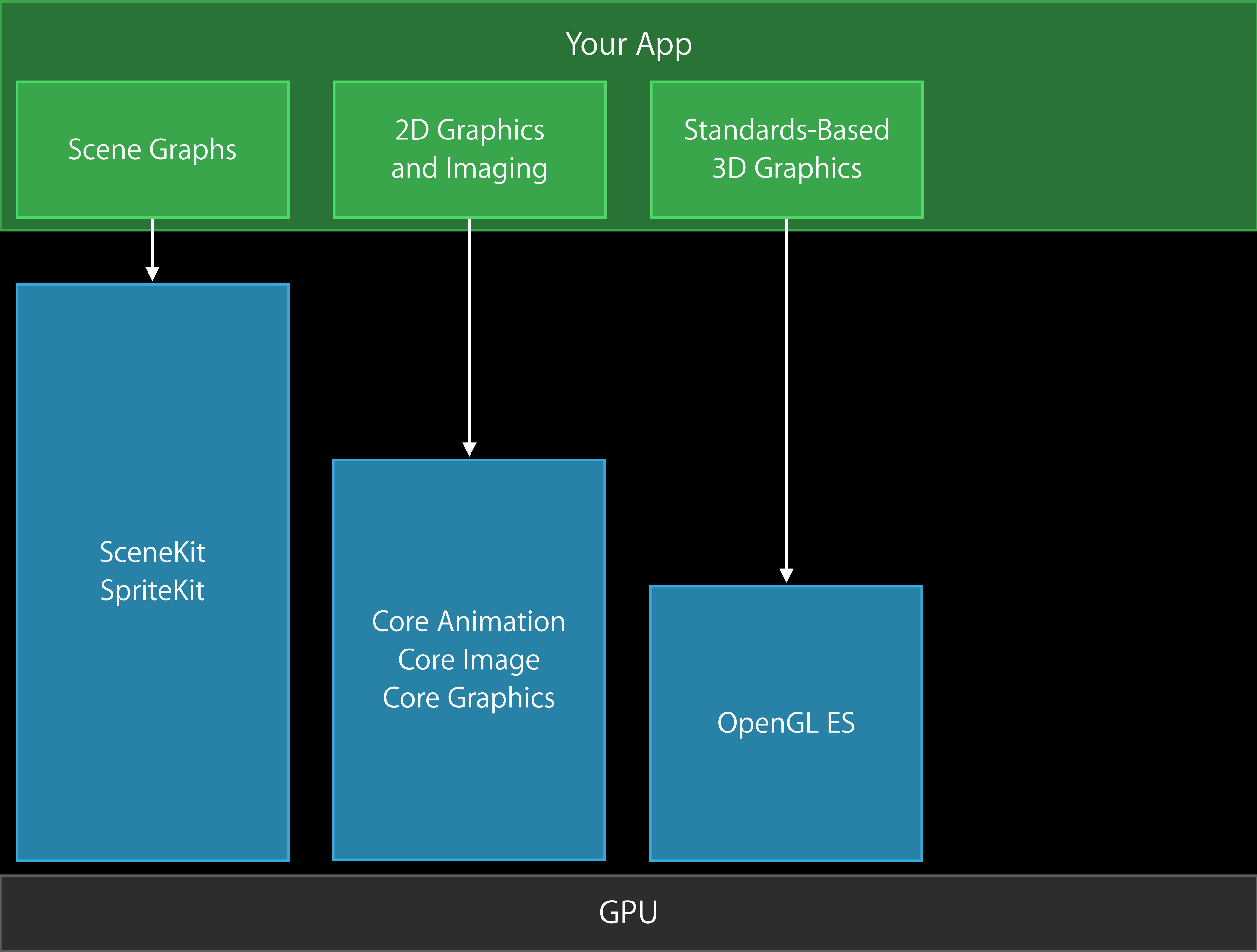
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Scene Graphs

2D Graphics  
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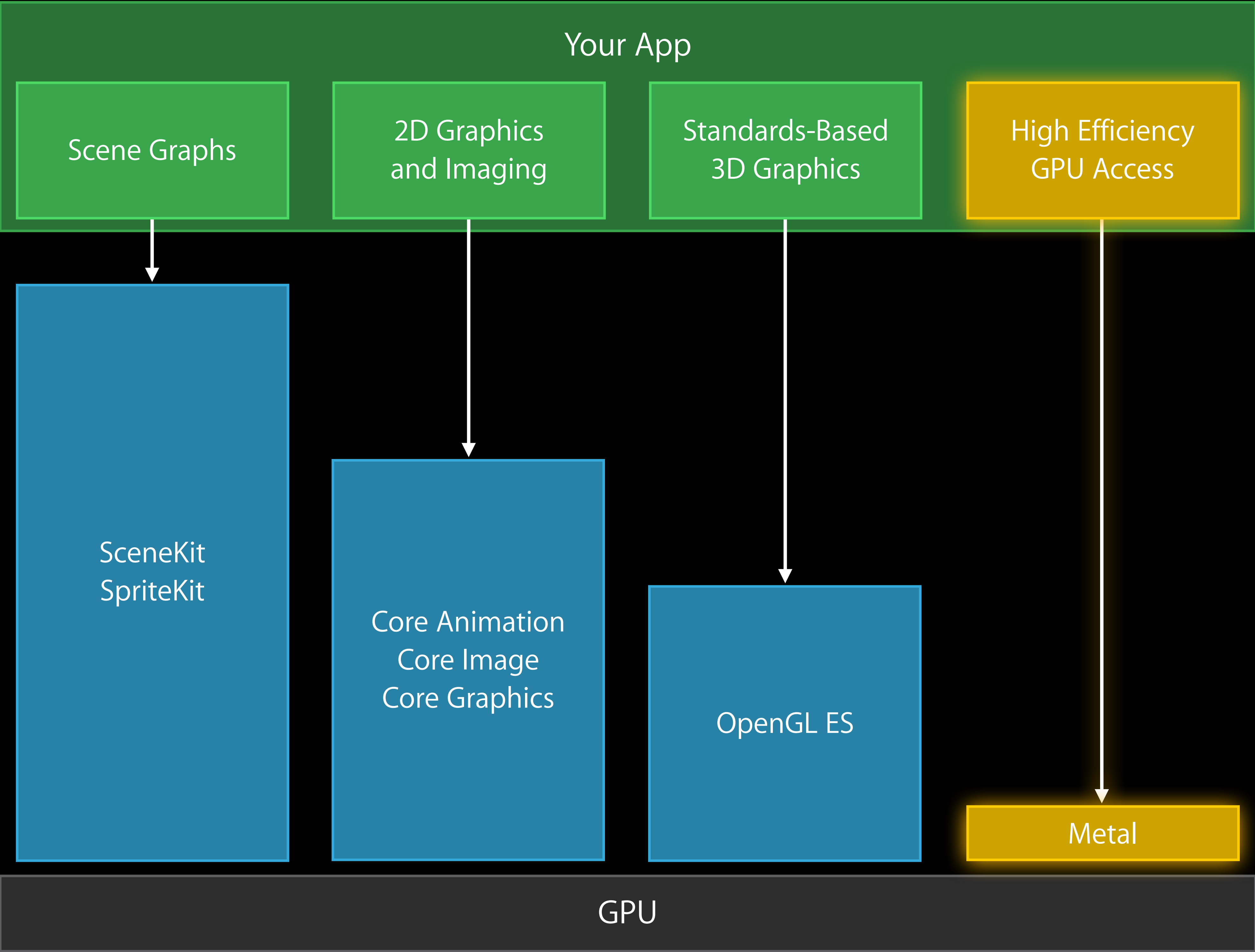
Standards-Based  
3D Graphics

SceneKit  
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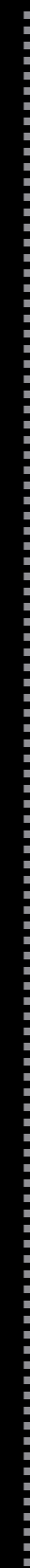
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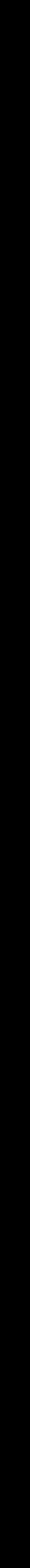
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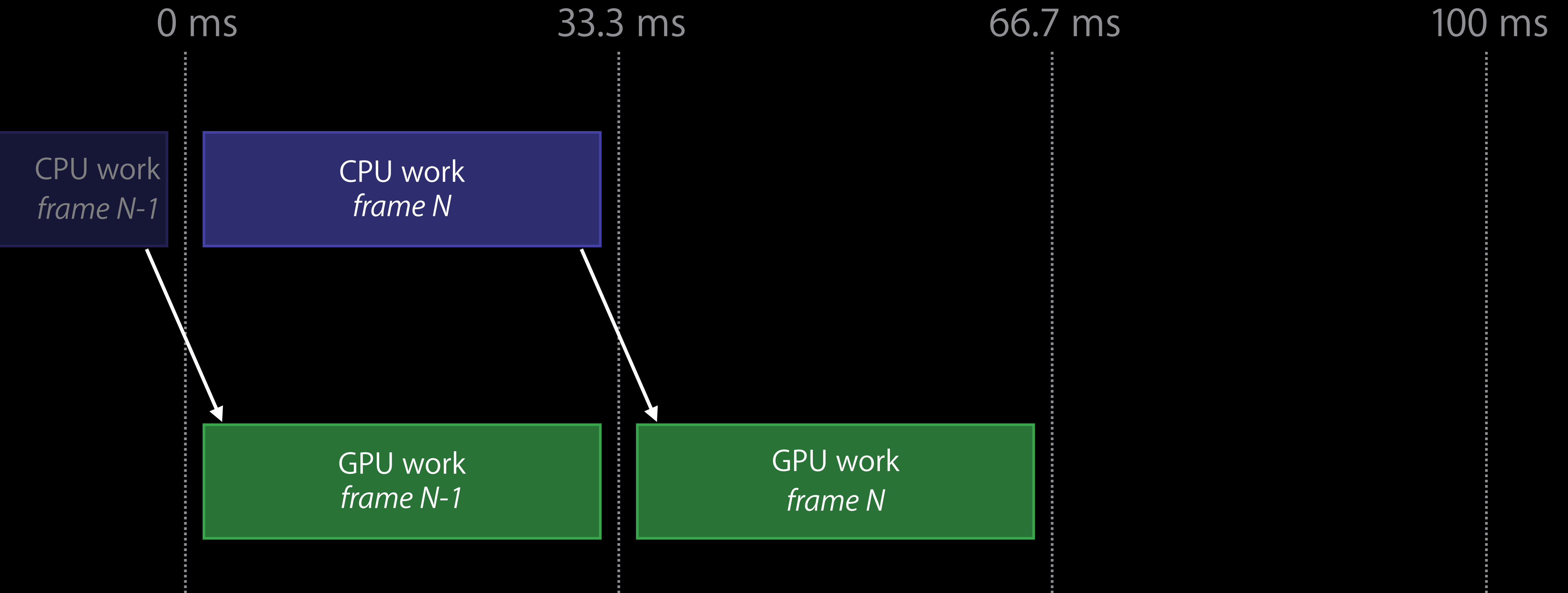


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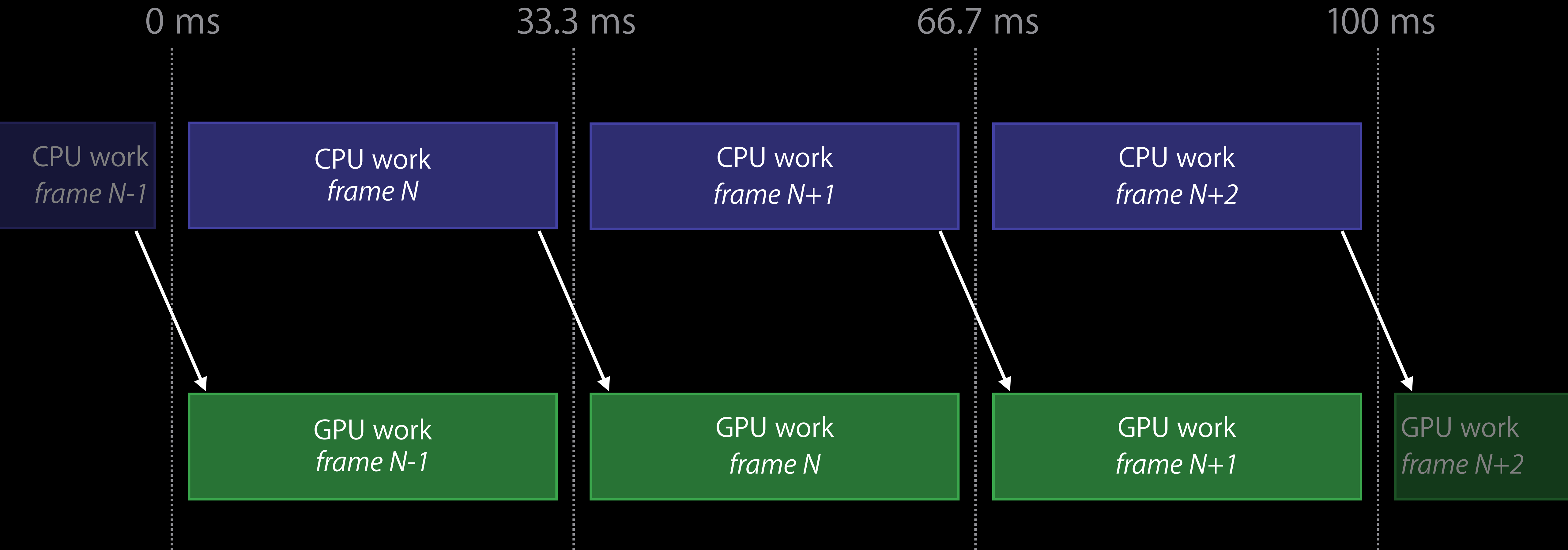
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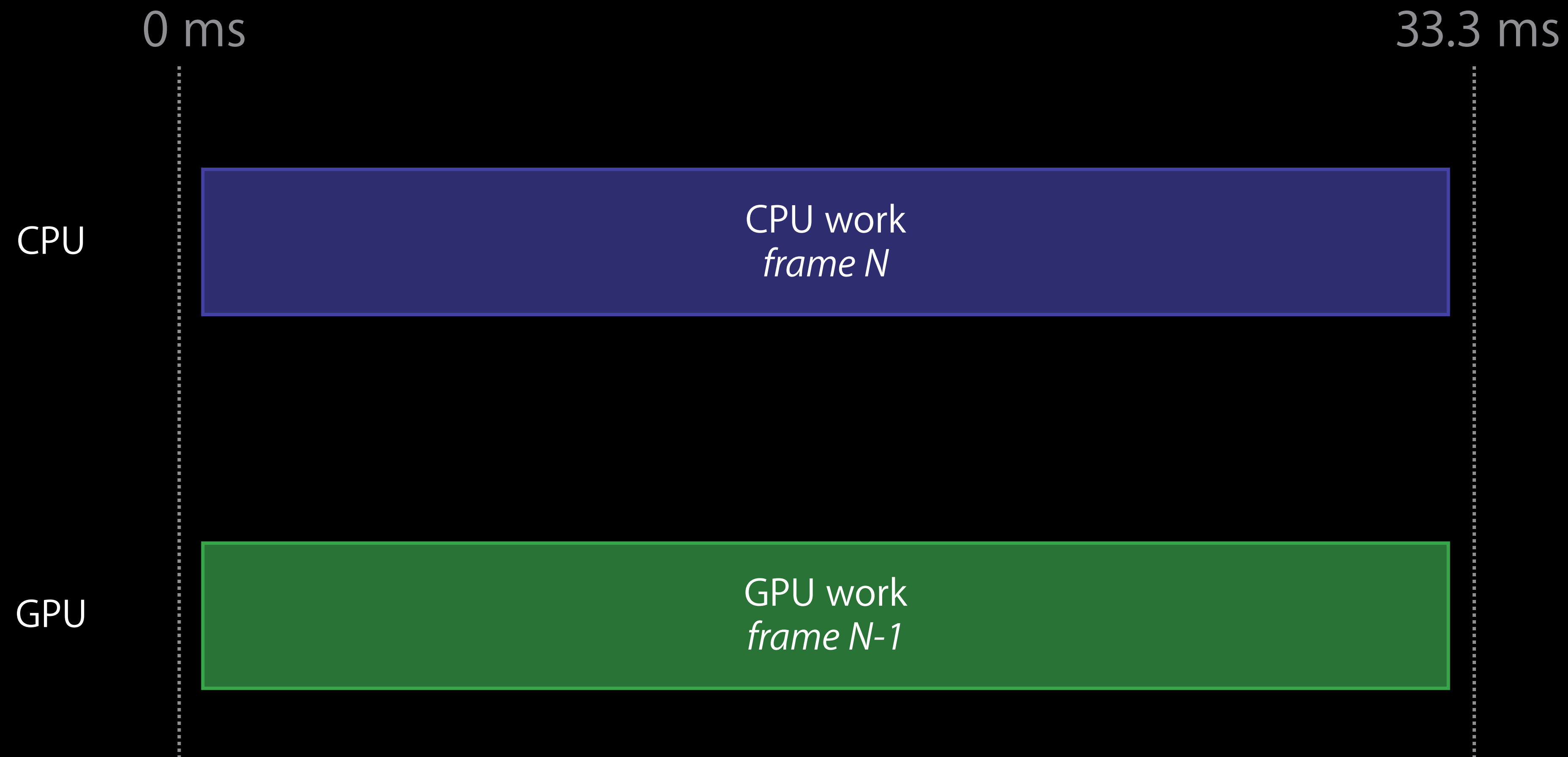
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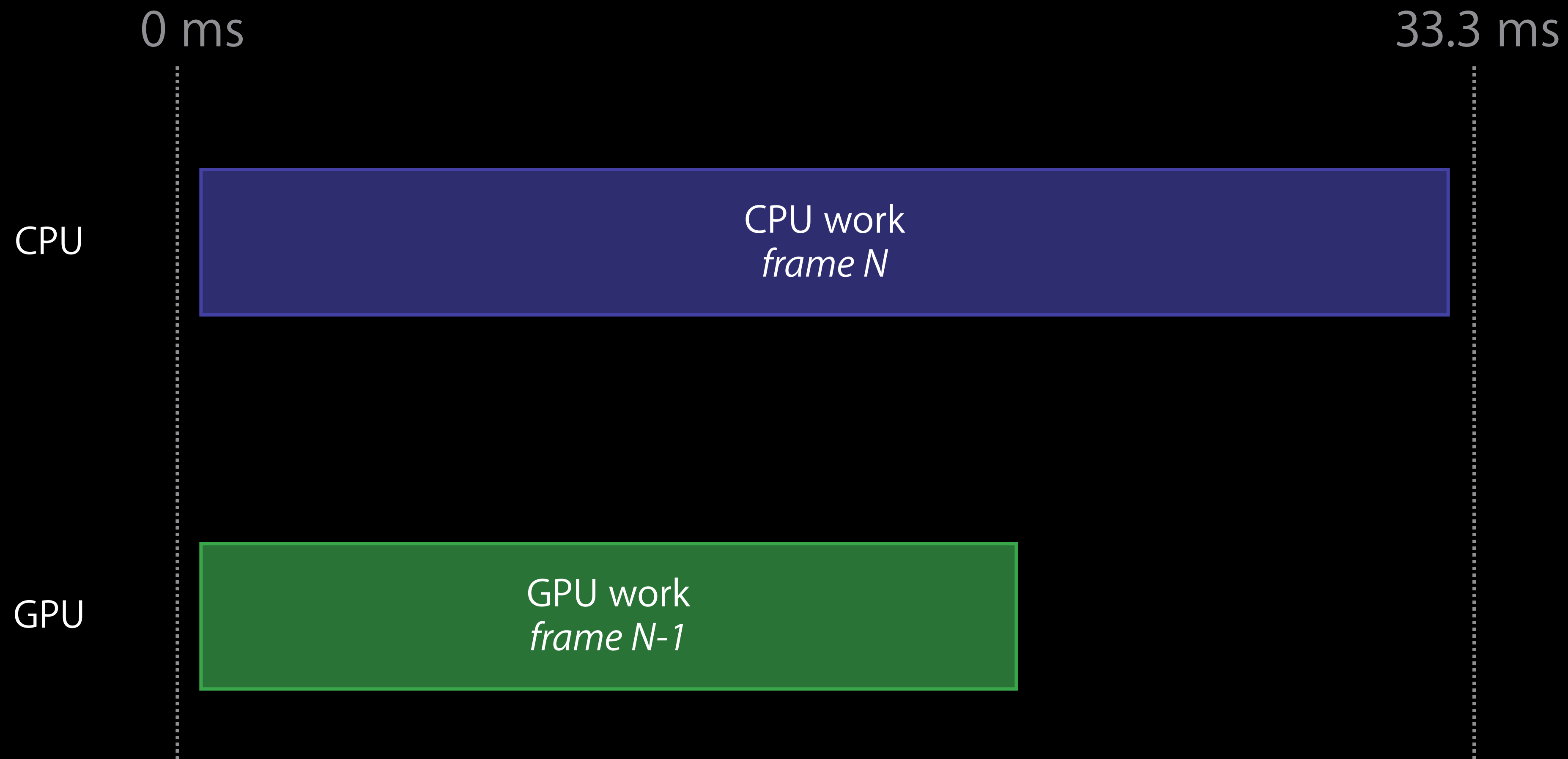




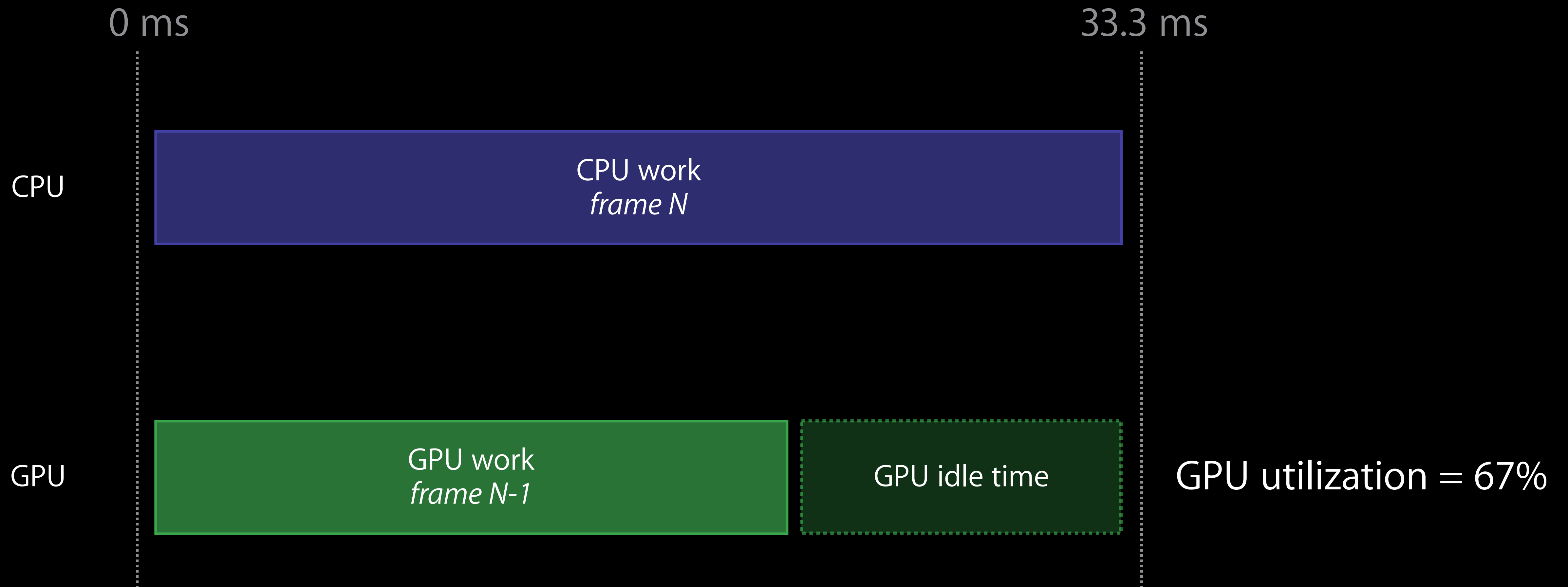
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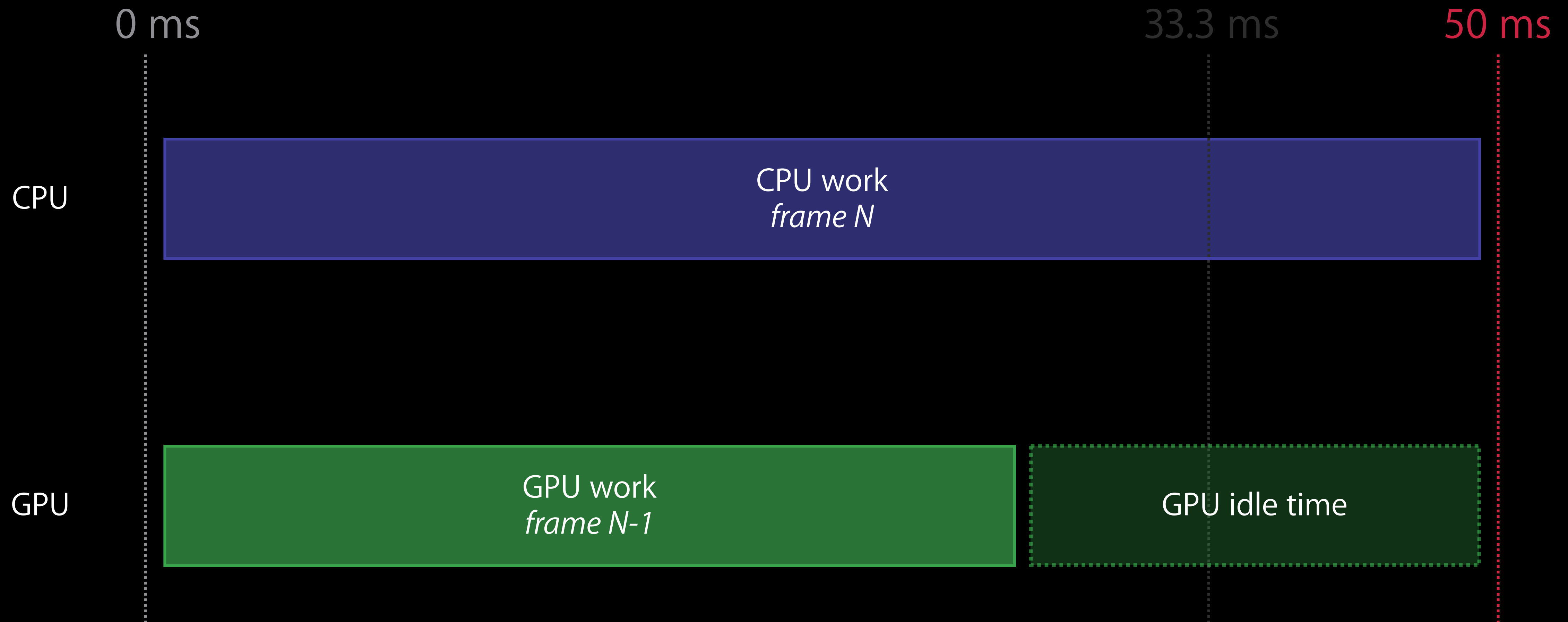
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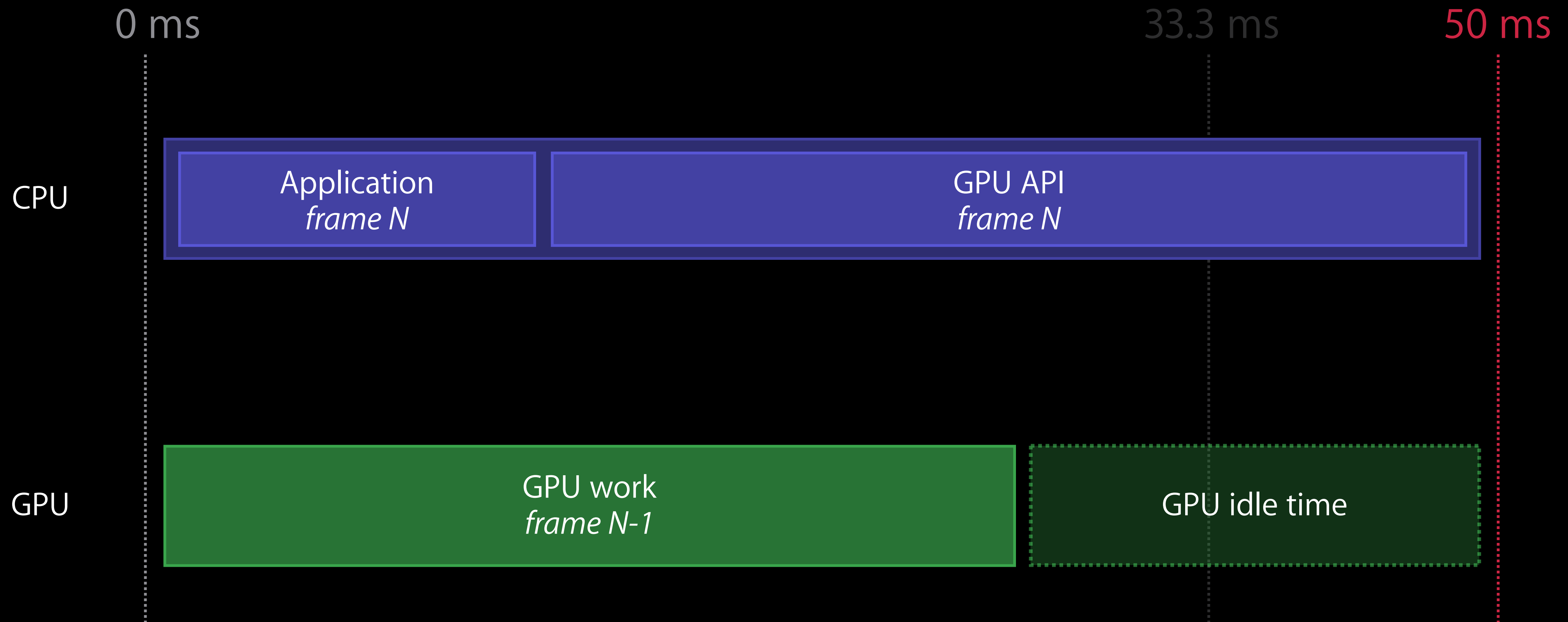
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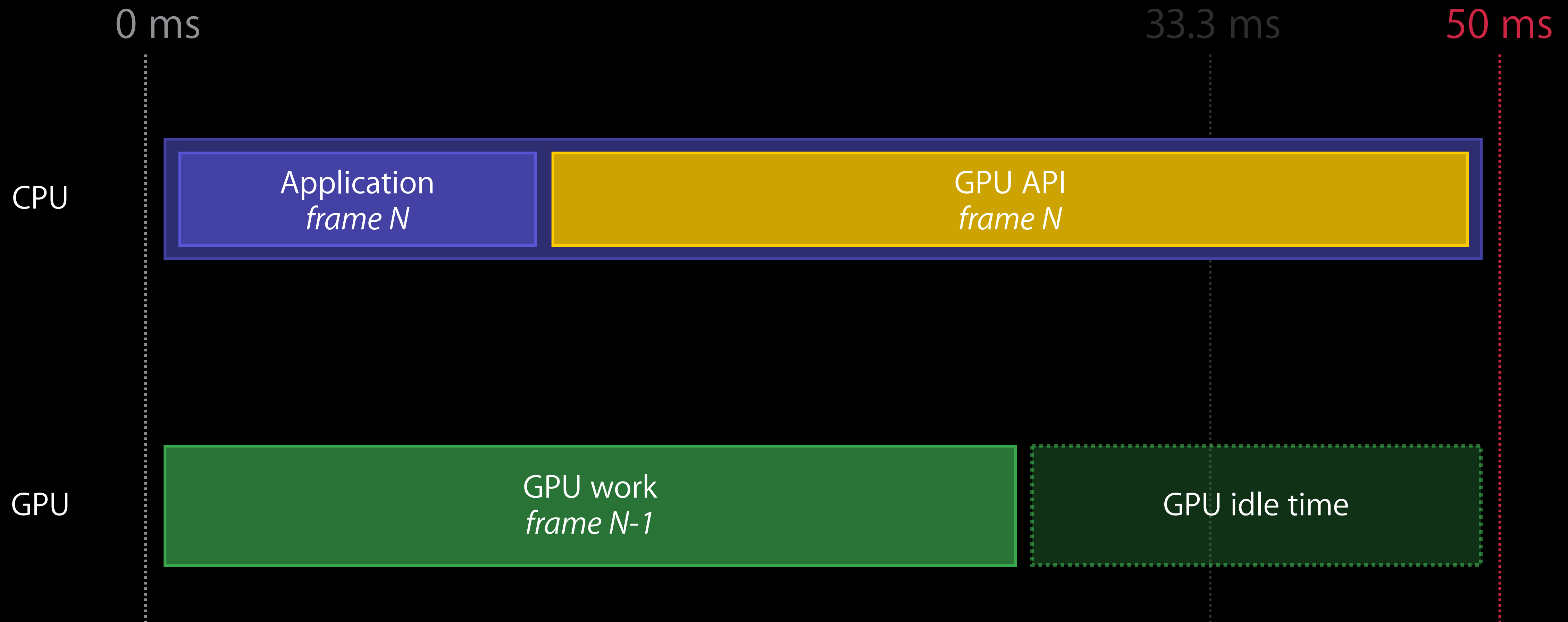
# More GPU Work Requires More CPU Work



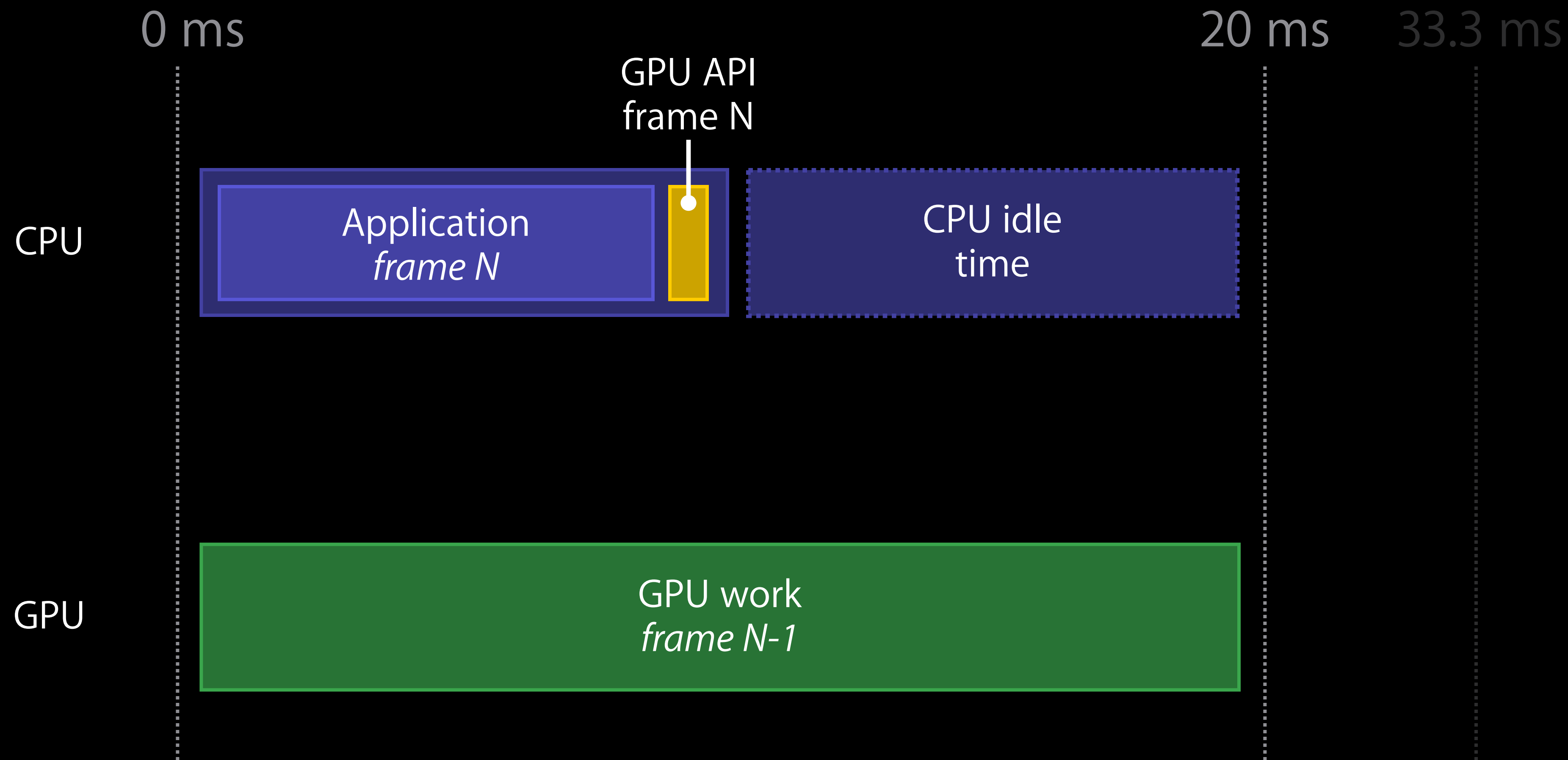
# CPU Time Includes Application and GPU API



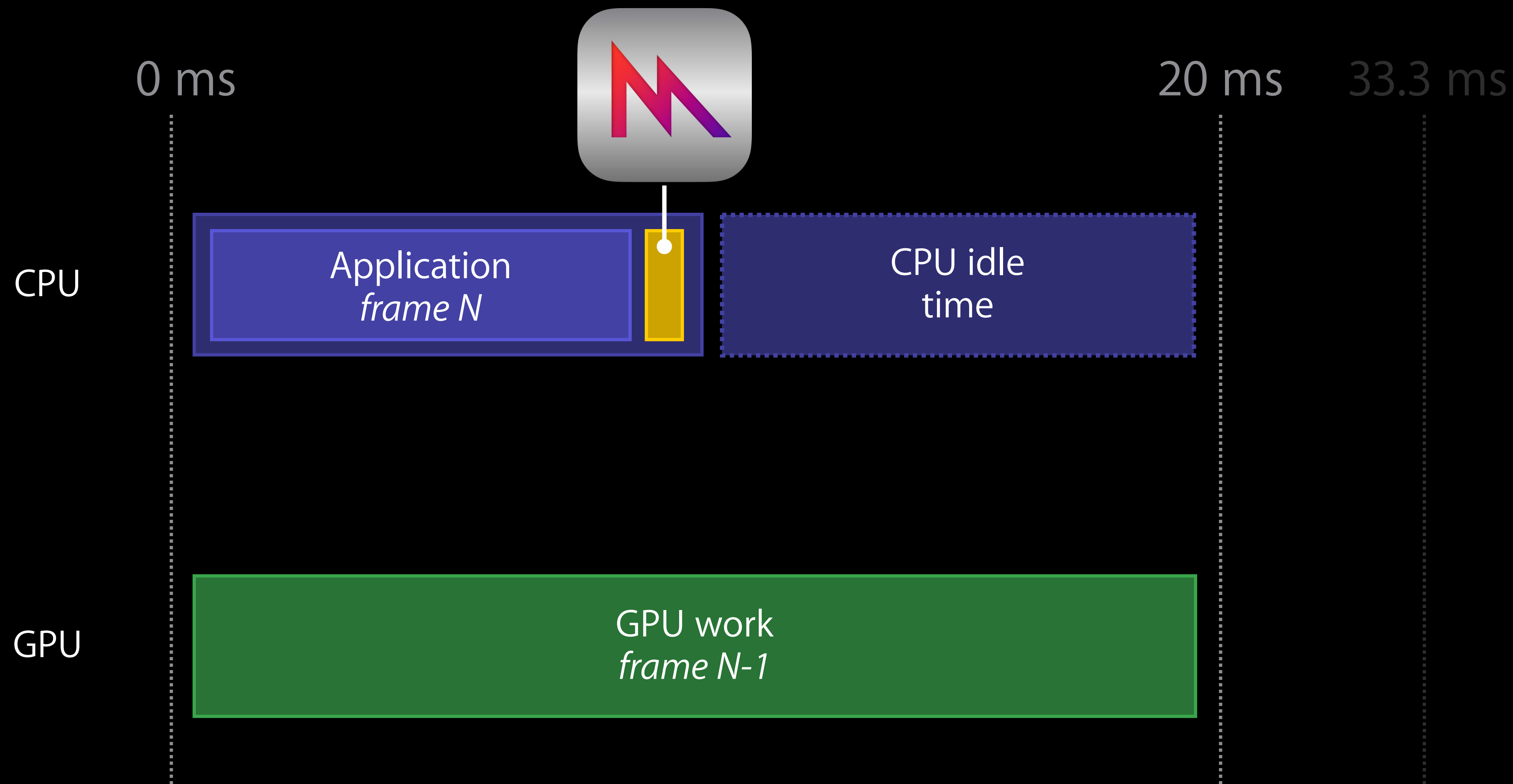
# Targeting CPU Time Spent in GPU API



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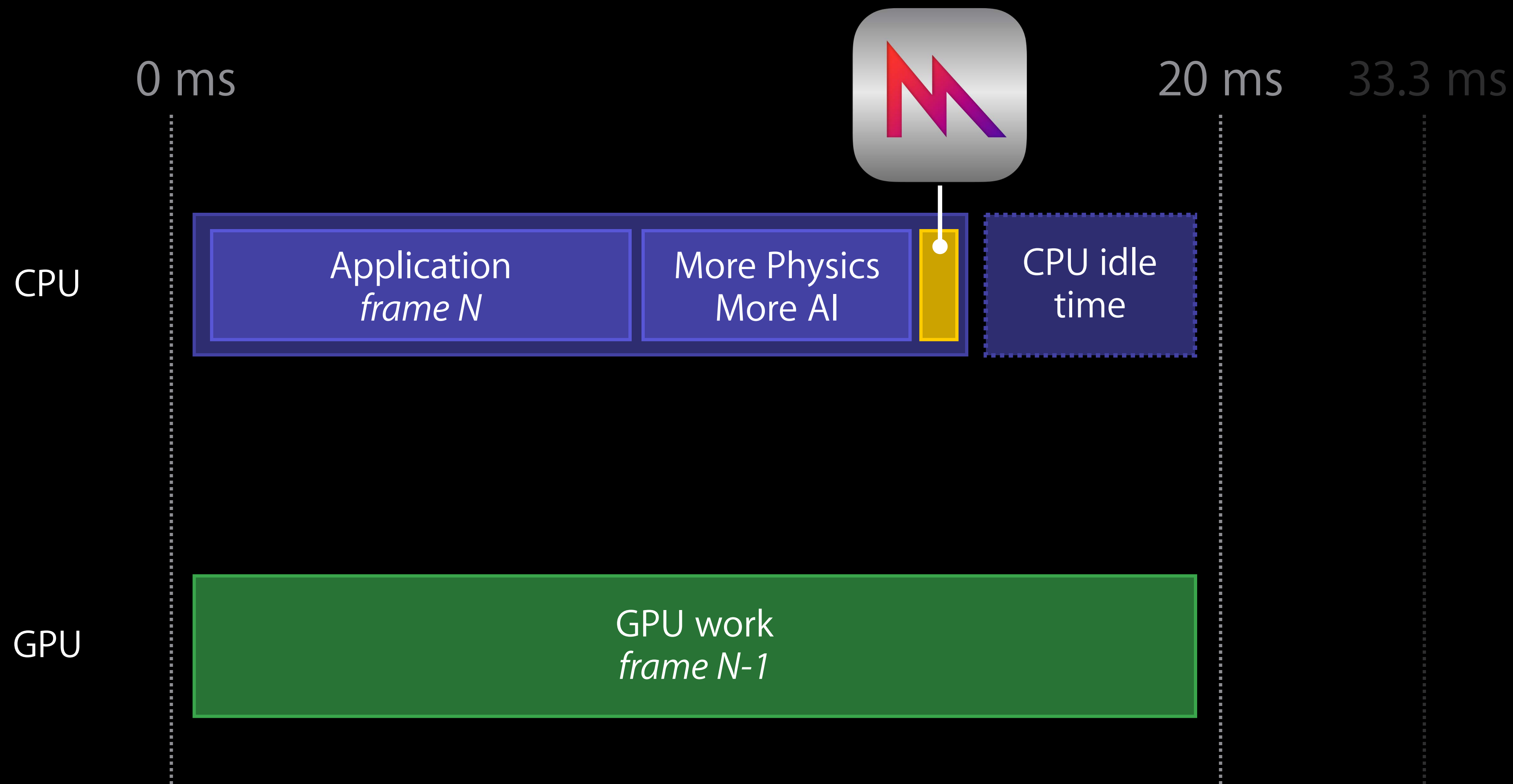


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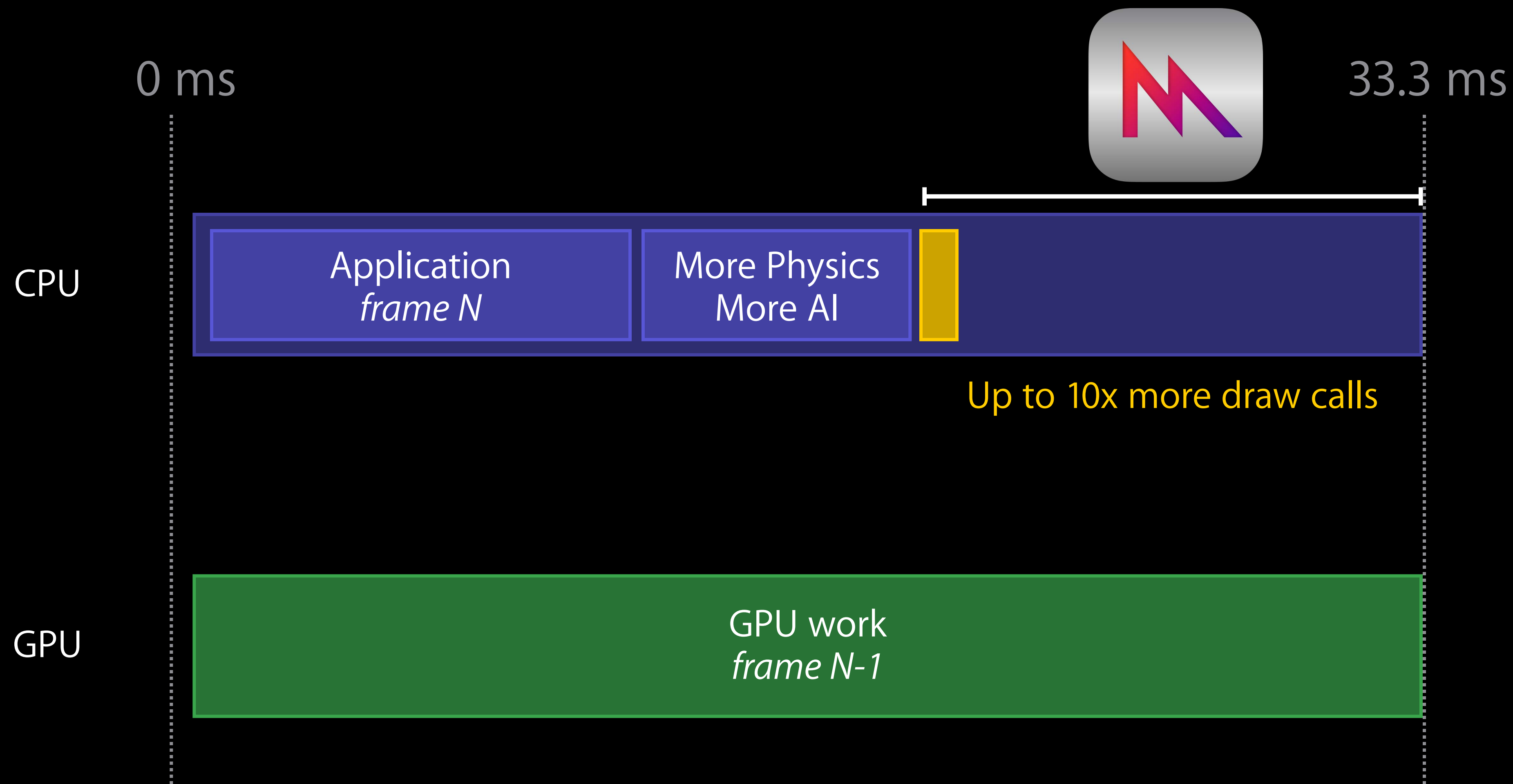




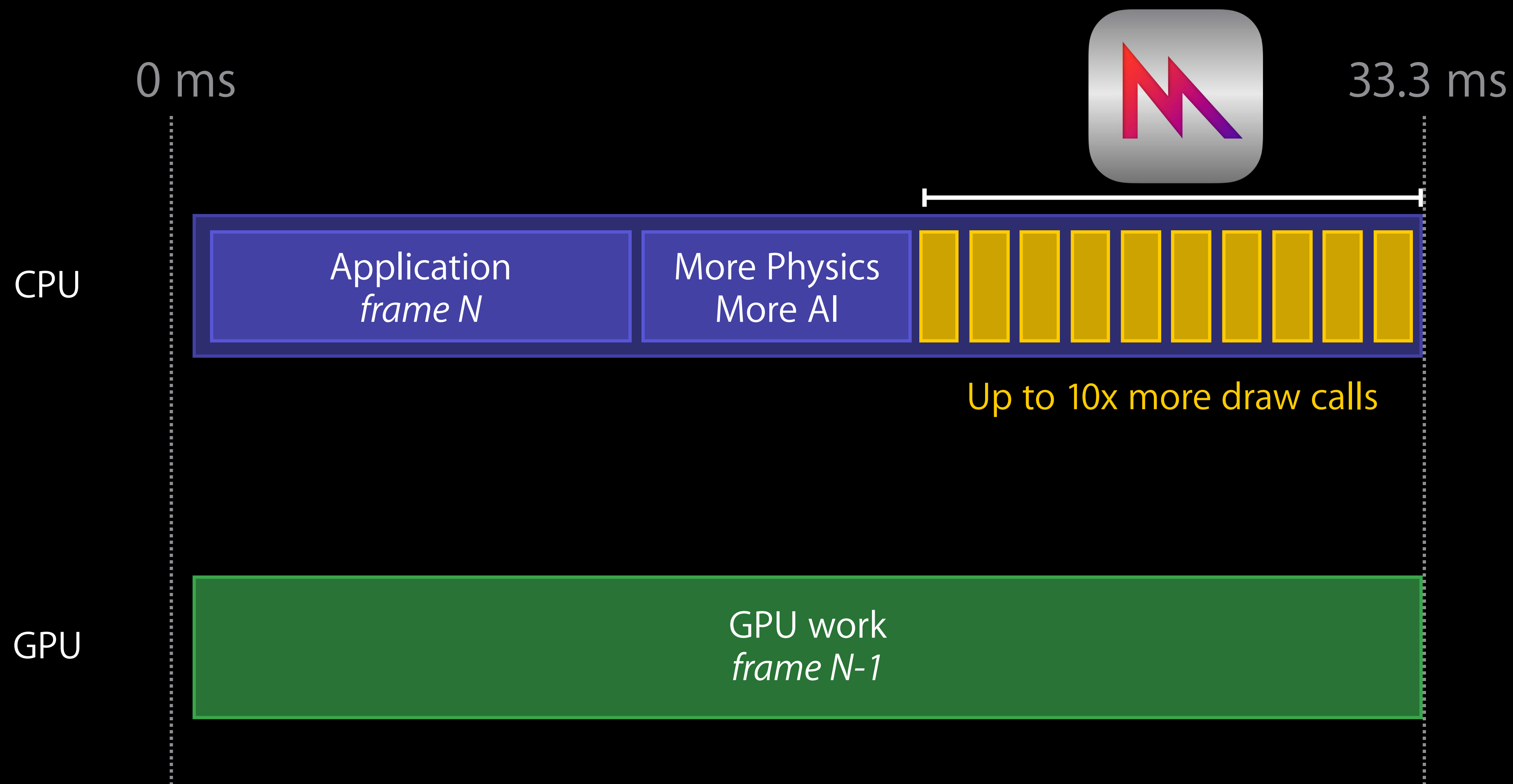
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- Managing resource residency
- Batching commands

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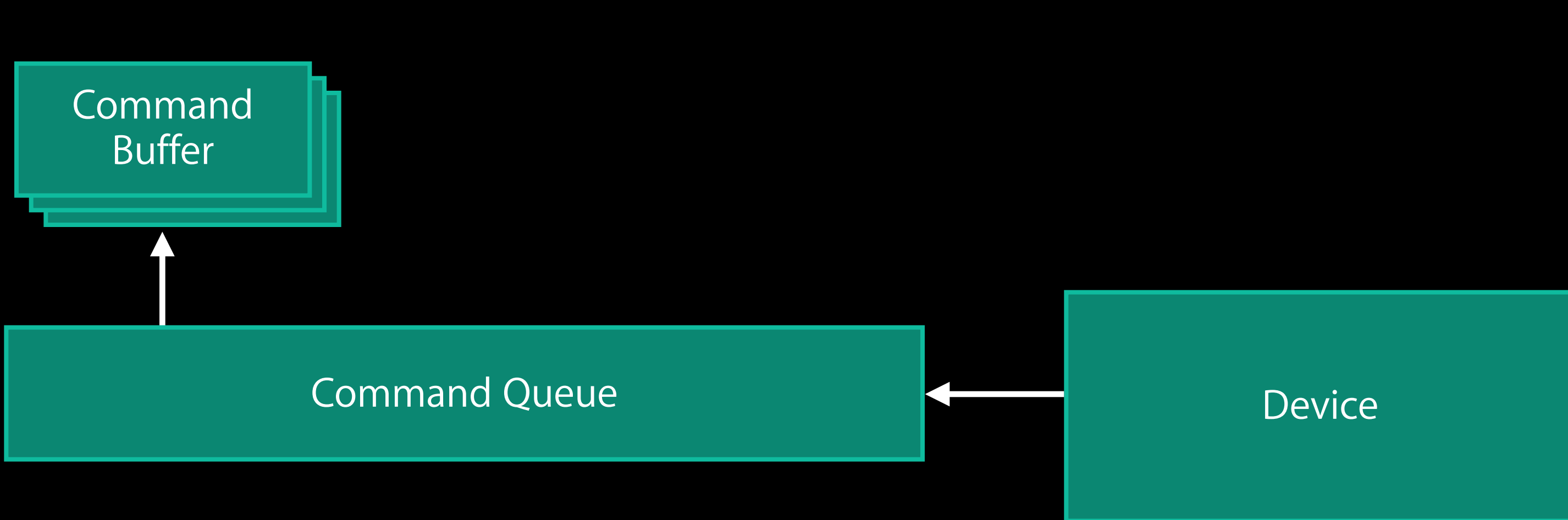
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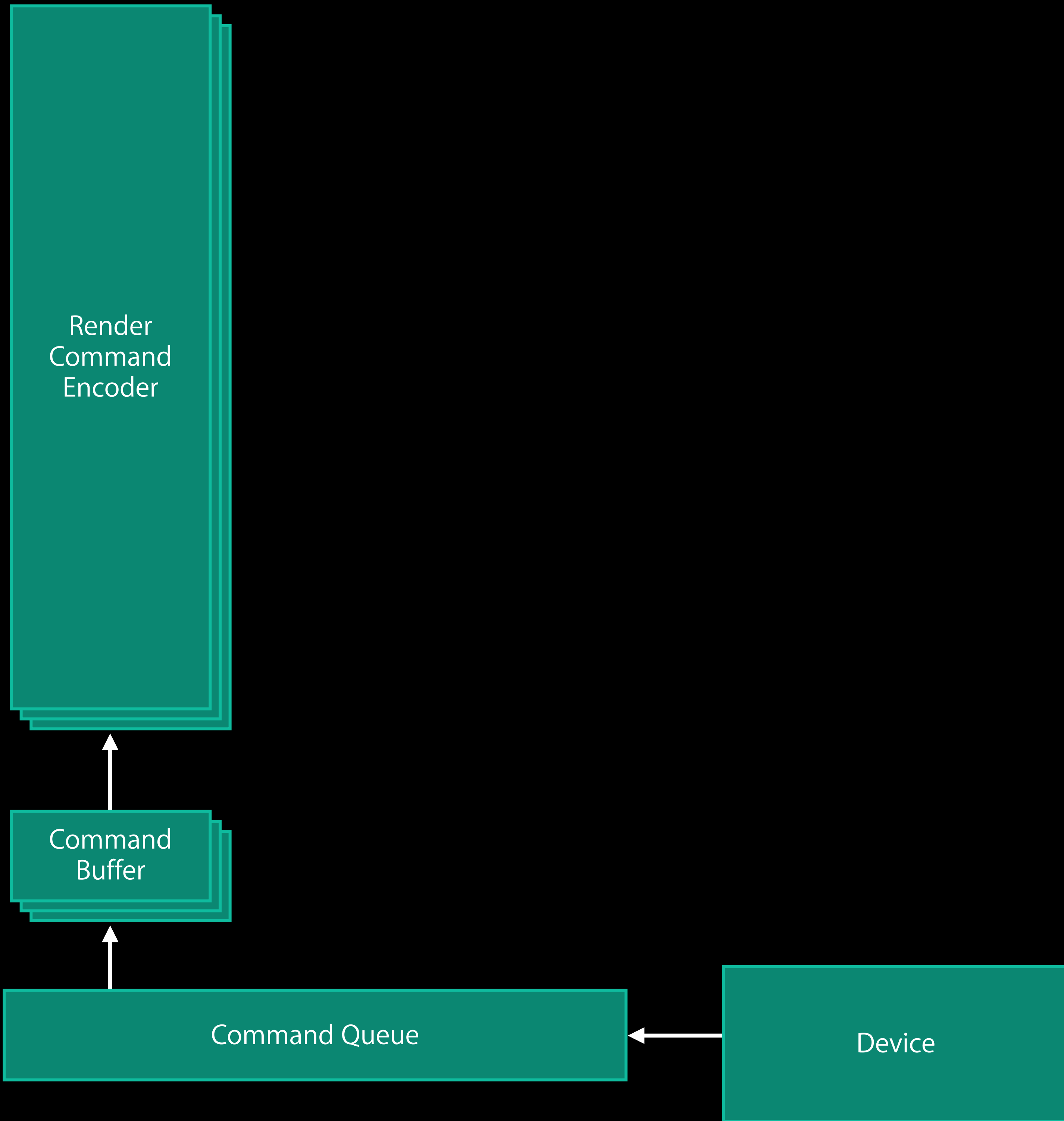
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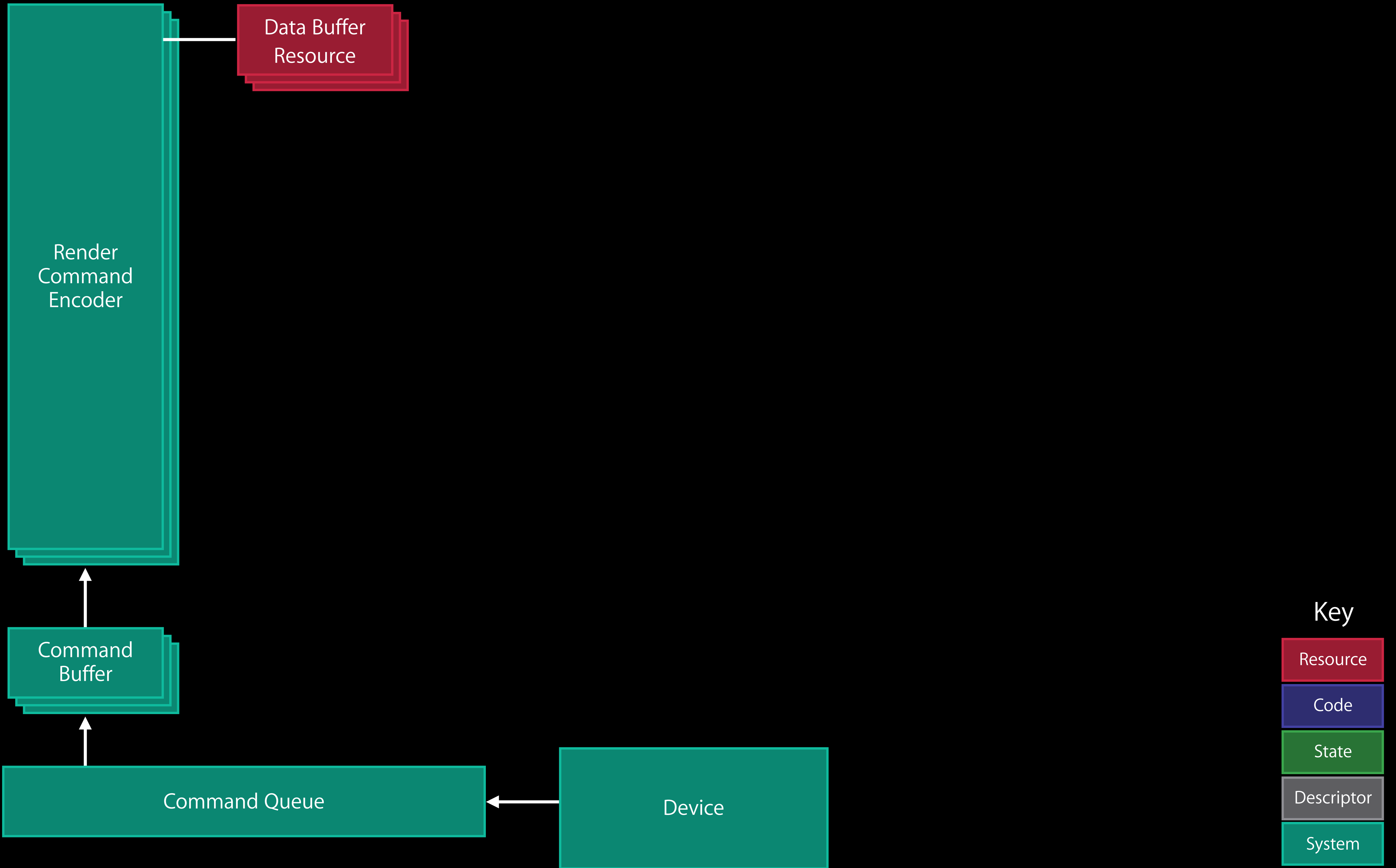
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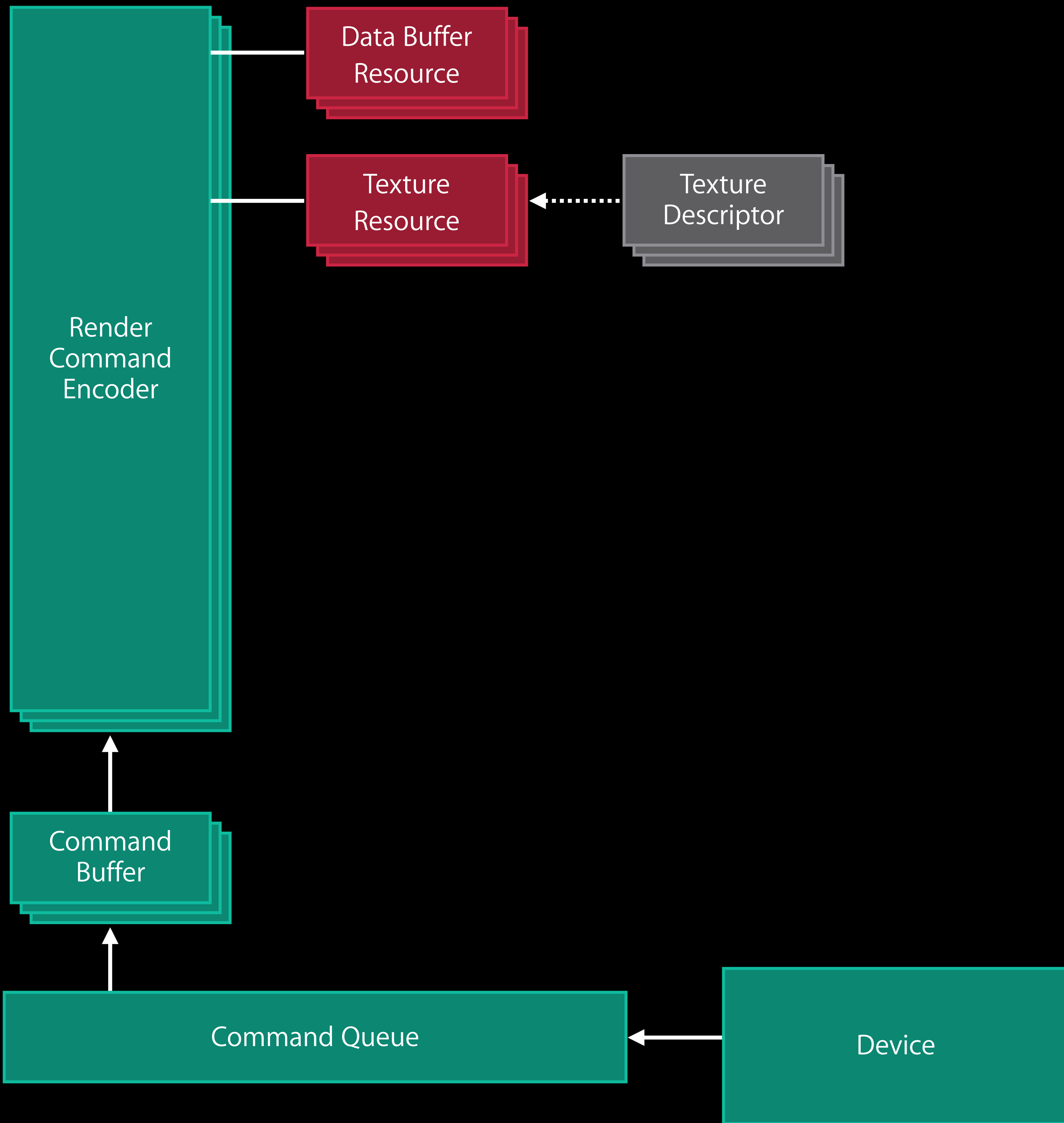
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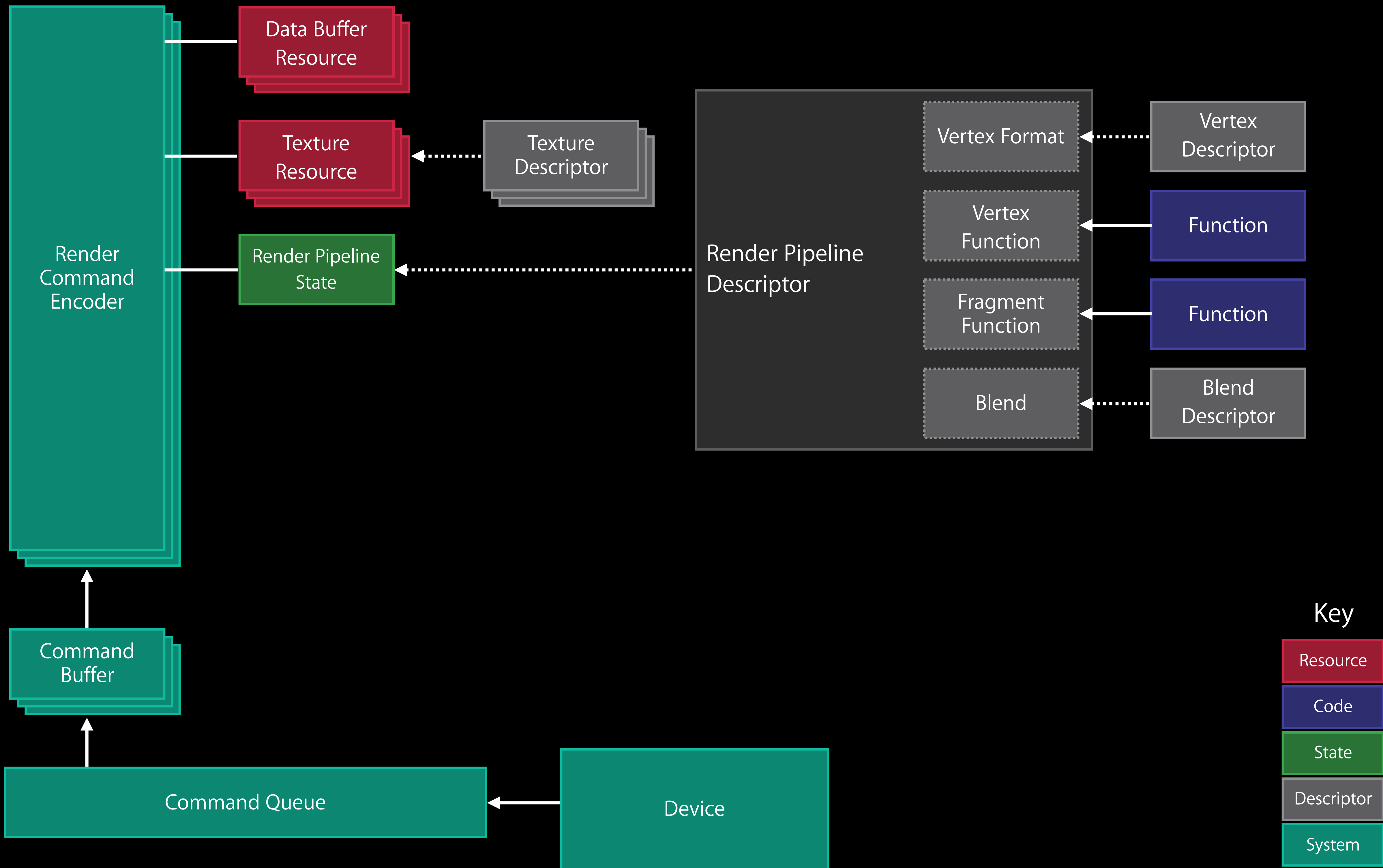
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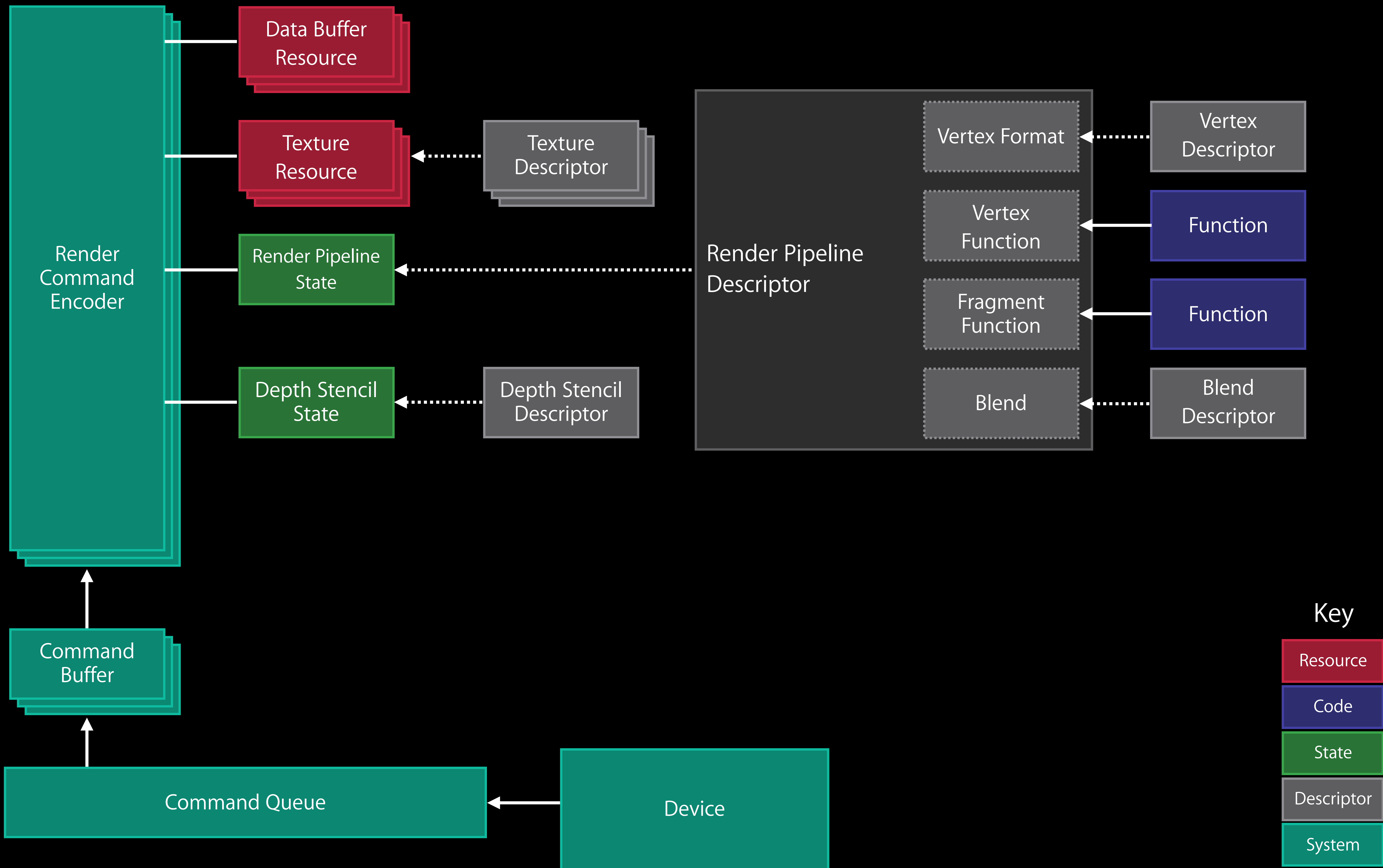


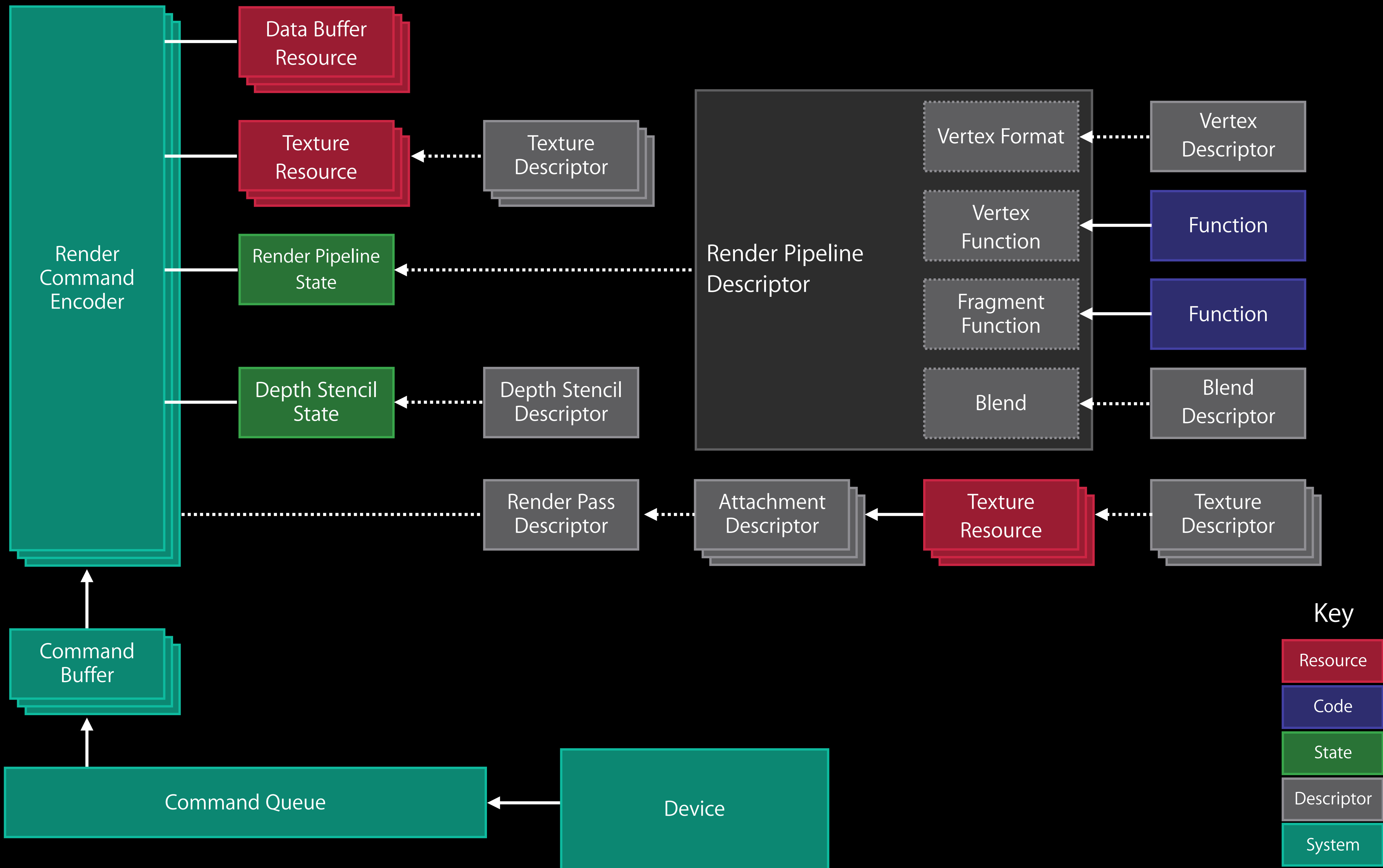


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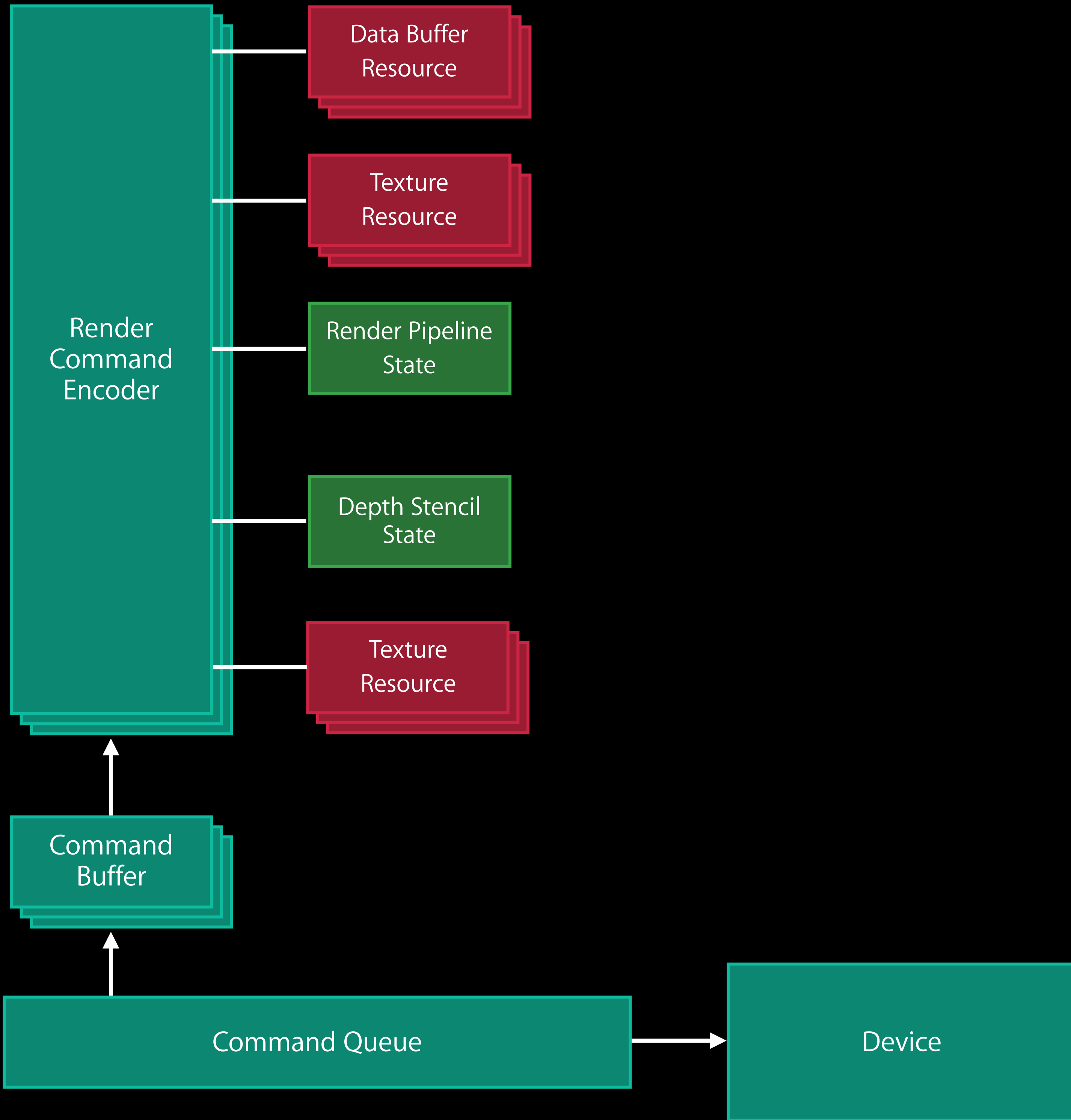
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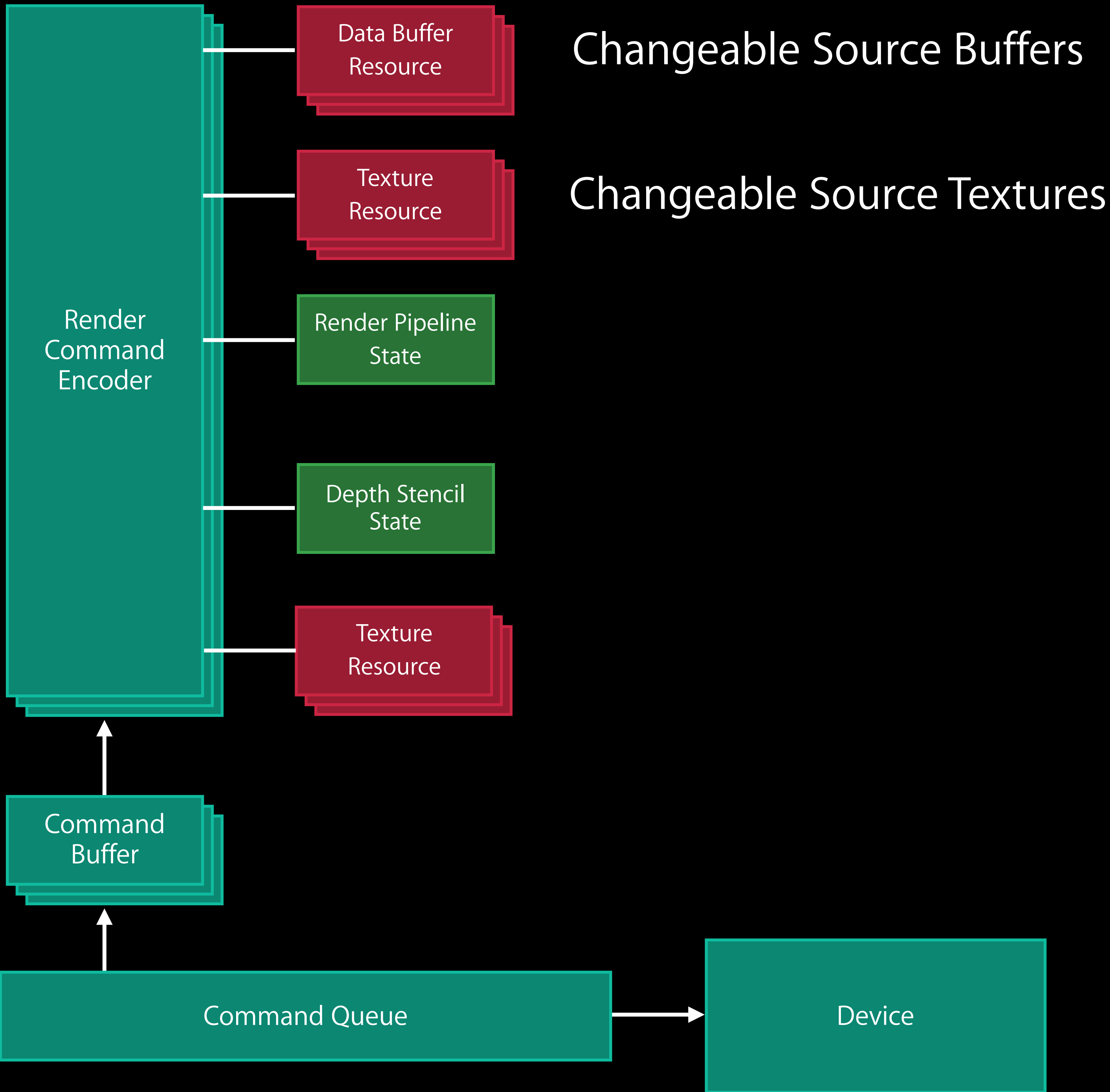


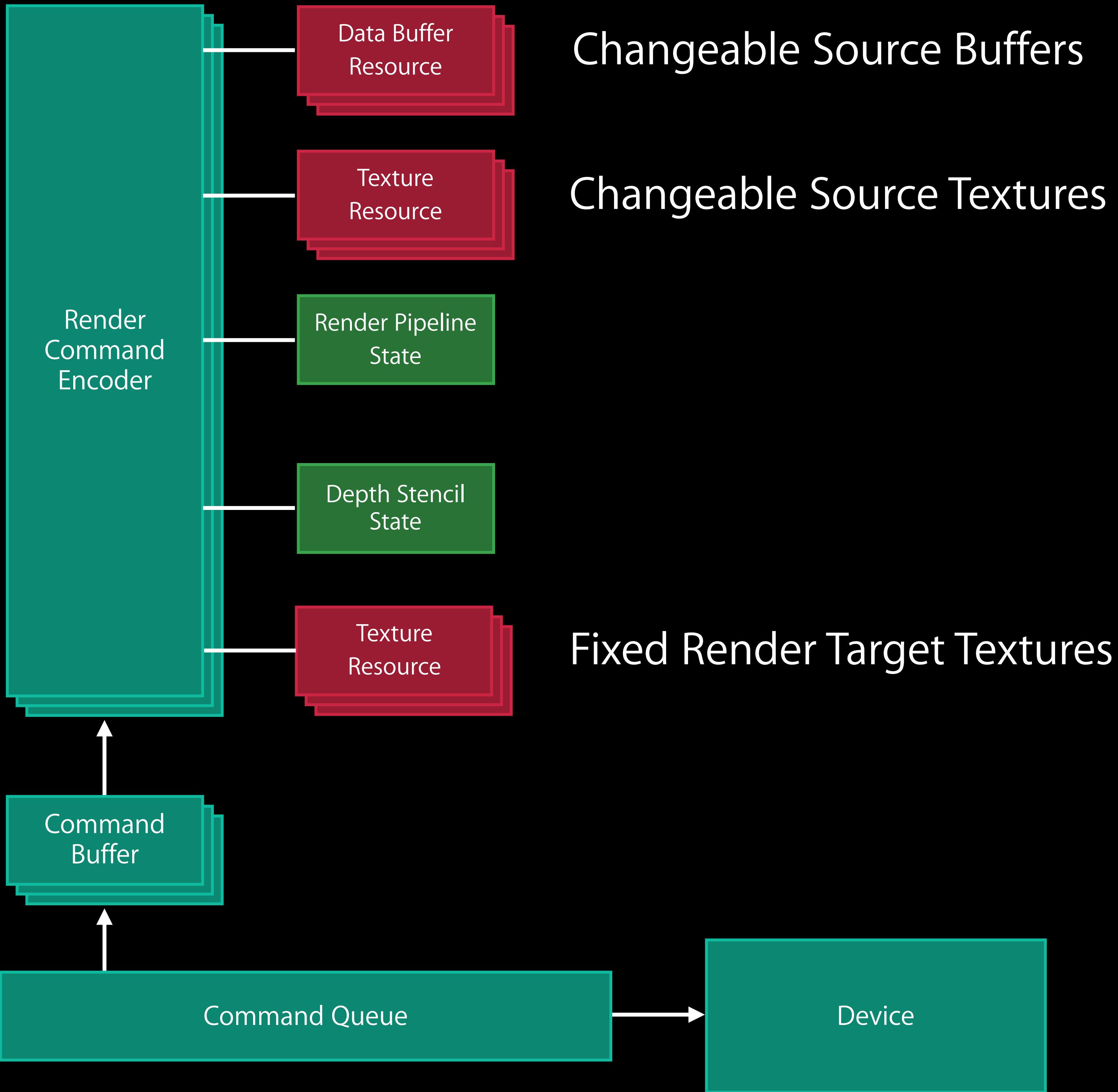


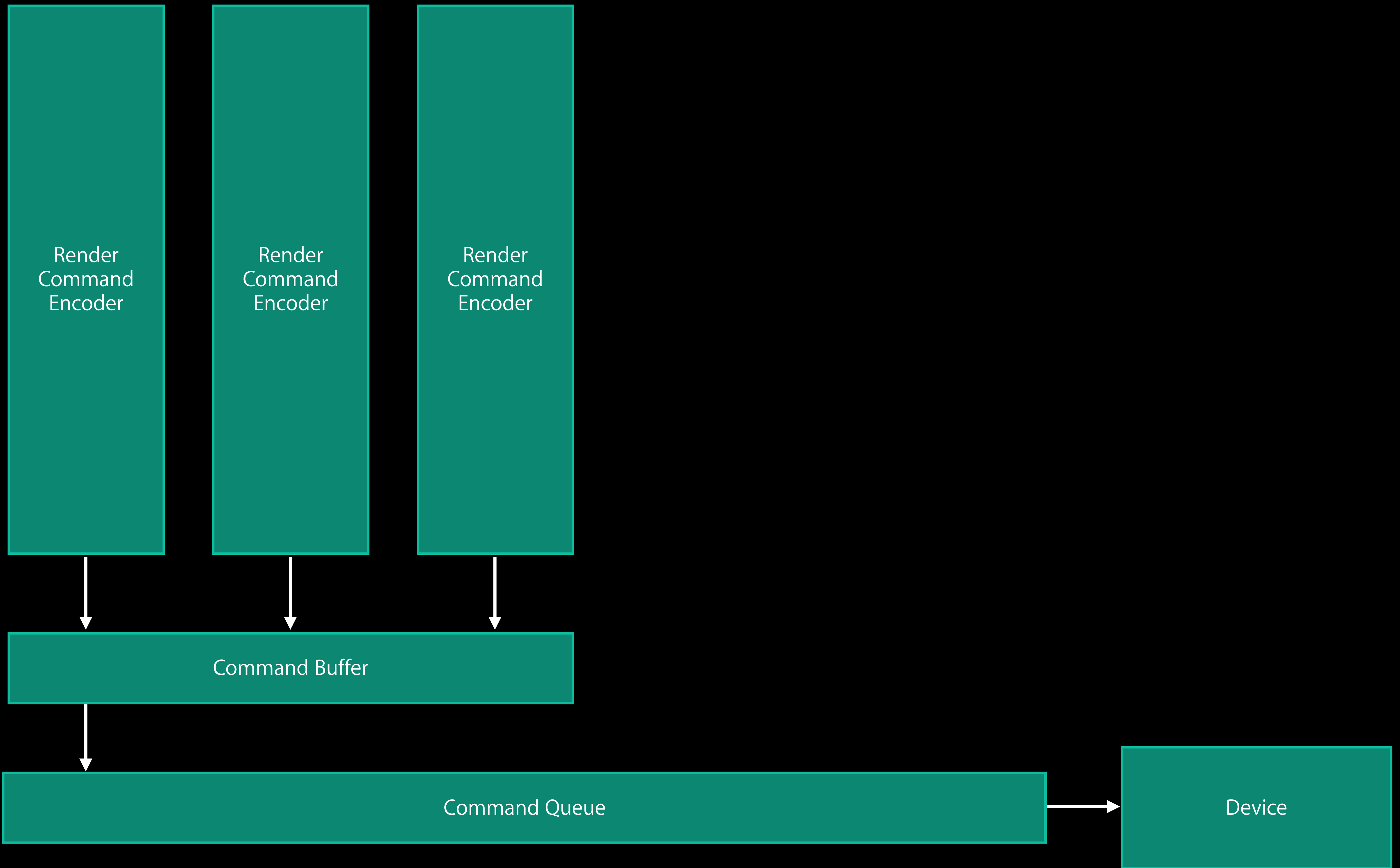


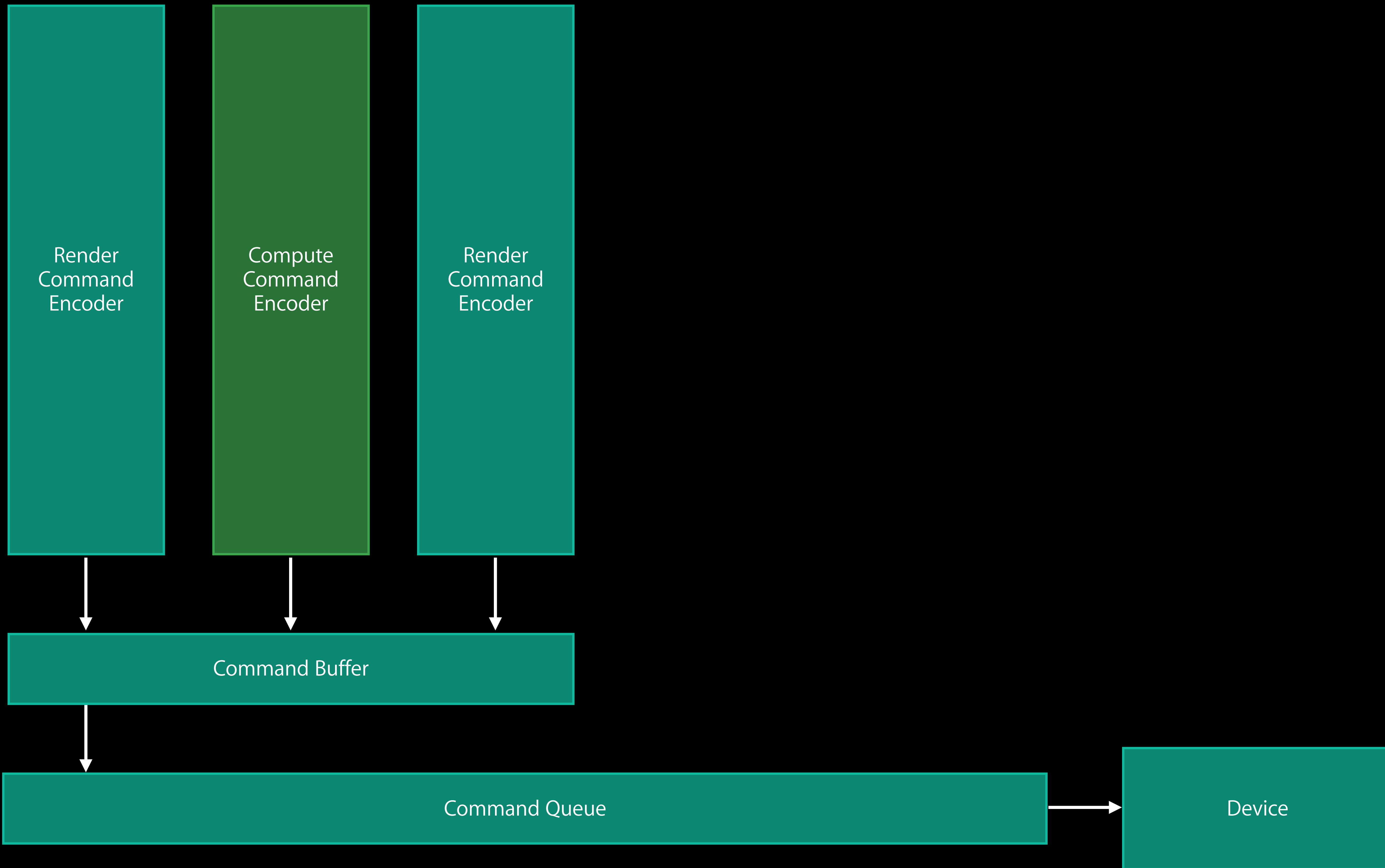






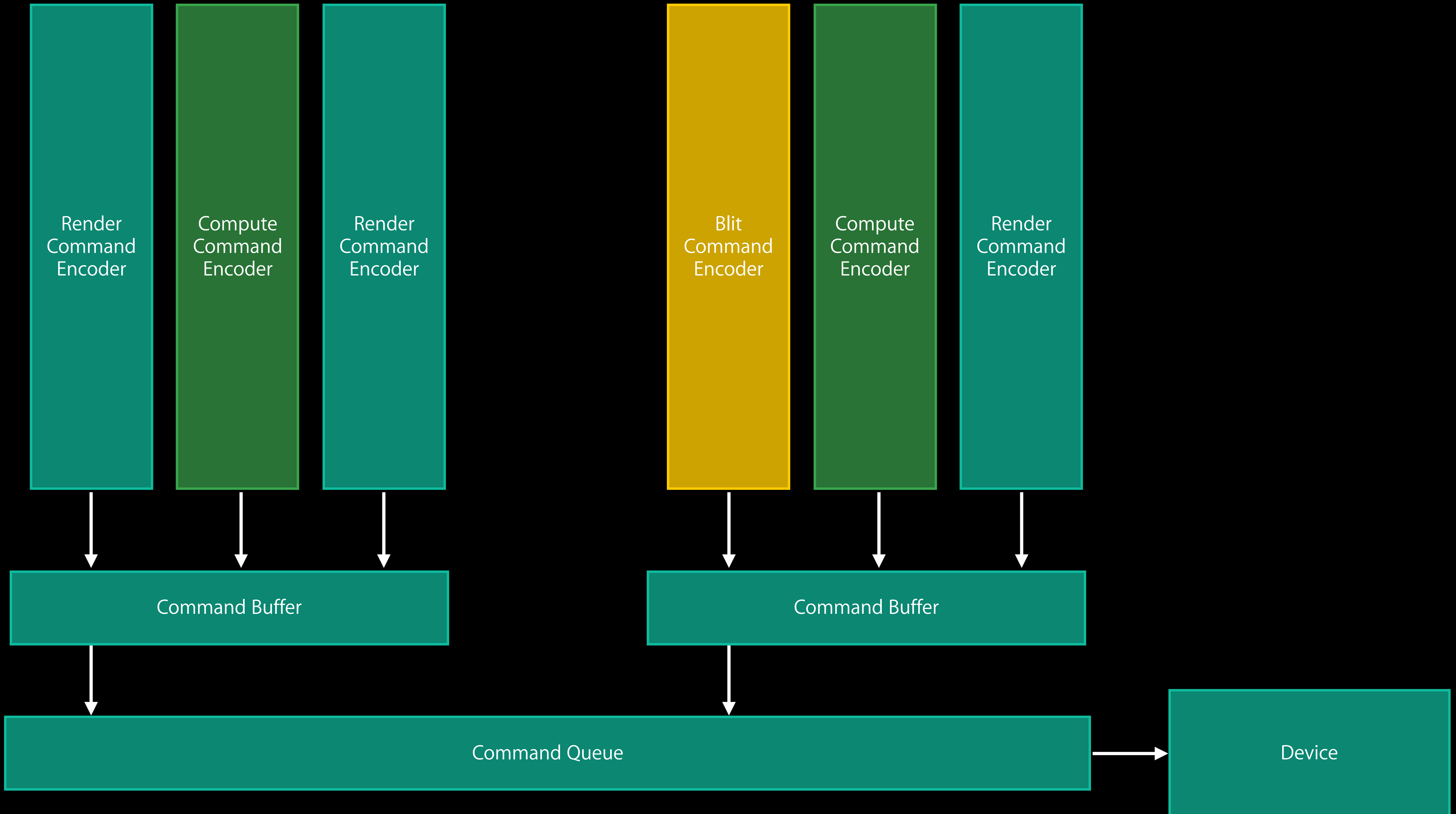






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Three types of command encoders

- Render, Compute, Blit
- Can interleave different types into single command buffer
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Command encoders generate commands immediately

- No deferred state validation
- Direct call to driver

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## Multithreaded command encoding

- Multiple command buffers can be encoded in parallel
- App decides execution order
- Very efficient implementation to ensure scalable performance

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# Render State Objects

State Object	Description
DepthStencil	DepthStencil comparison functions and write masks
Sampler	Filter states, addressing modes, LOD state
Render Pipeline	"Everything else" Vertex and pixel shader functions Vertex data layout Multisample state Blend state Color write masks

# Render States

States affecting compilation can't be changed after object creation

Inexpensive states can be changed

Changeable

Render States



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Vertex and fragment shaders  
# of render targets, pixel format, color write masks  
Multisample state  
Blend state  
DepthStencil state and write masks



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Specification of buffers, textures, samplers  
Cull mode and facing orientation  
Depth clipping and depth bias  
Polygon mode  
Viewport and scissor  
Occlusion queries

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- Store—Don't care, store, multisample resolve

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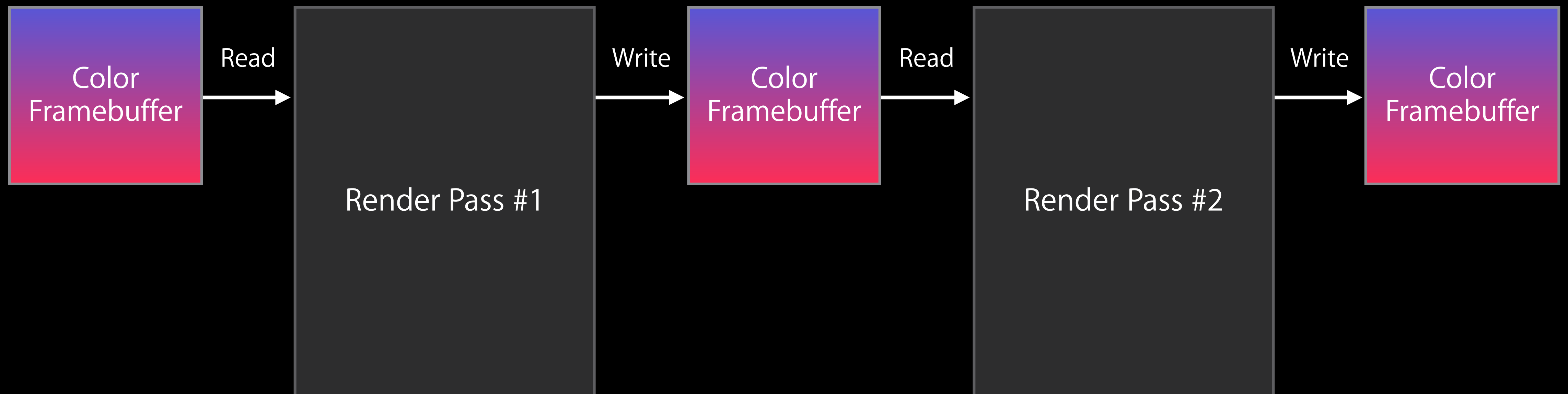
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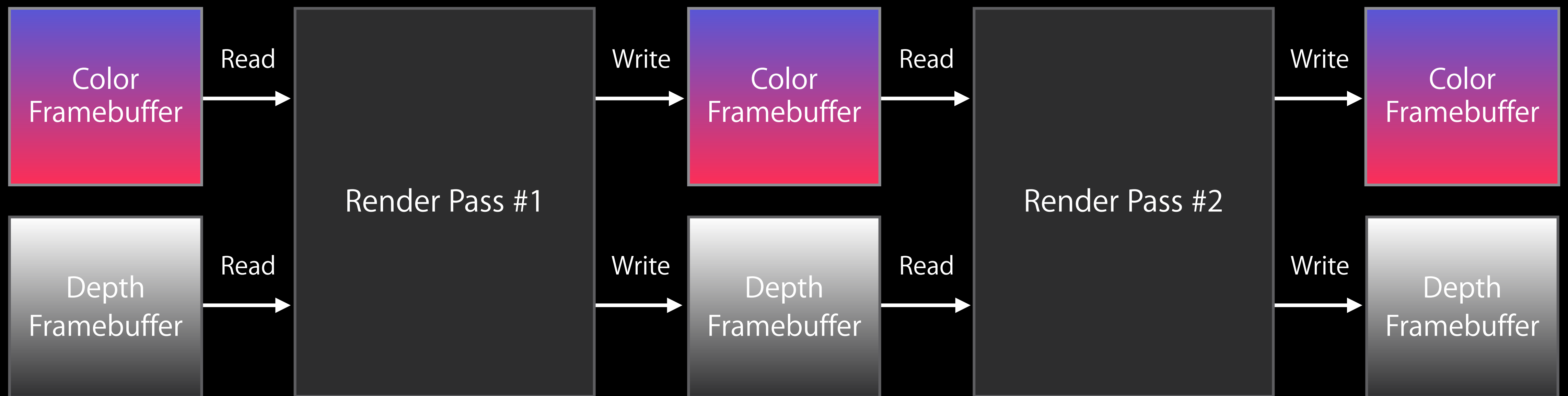




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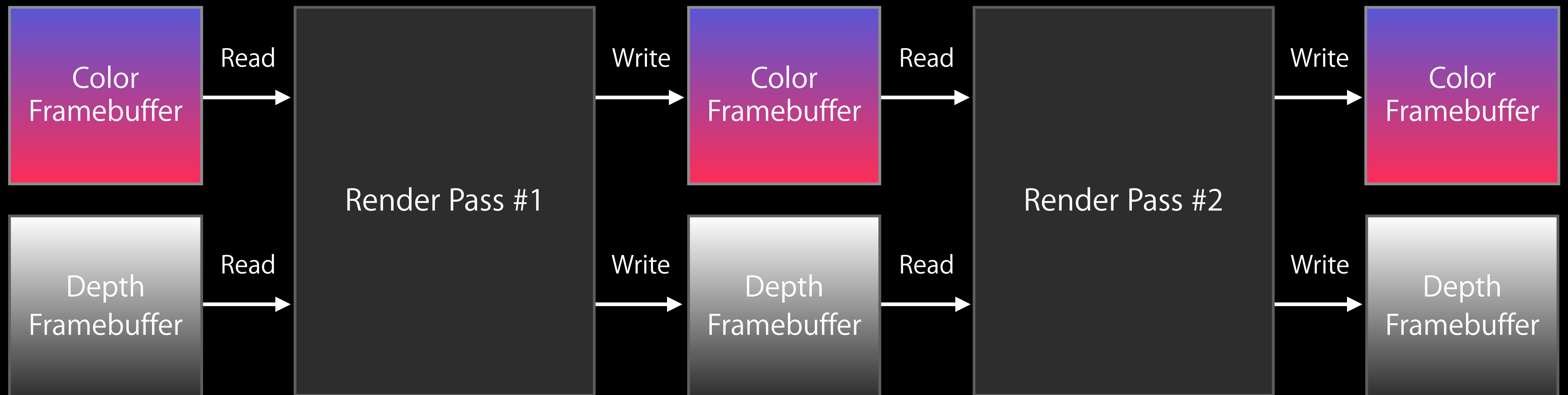
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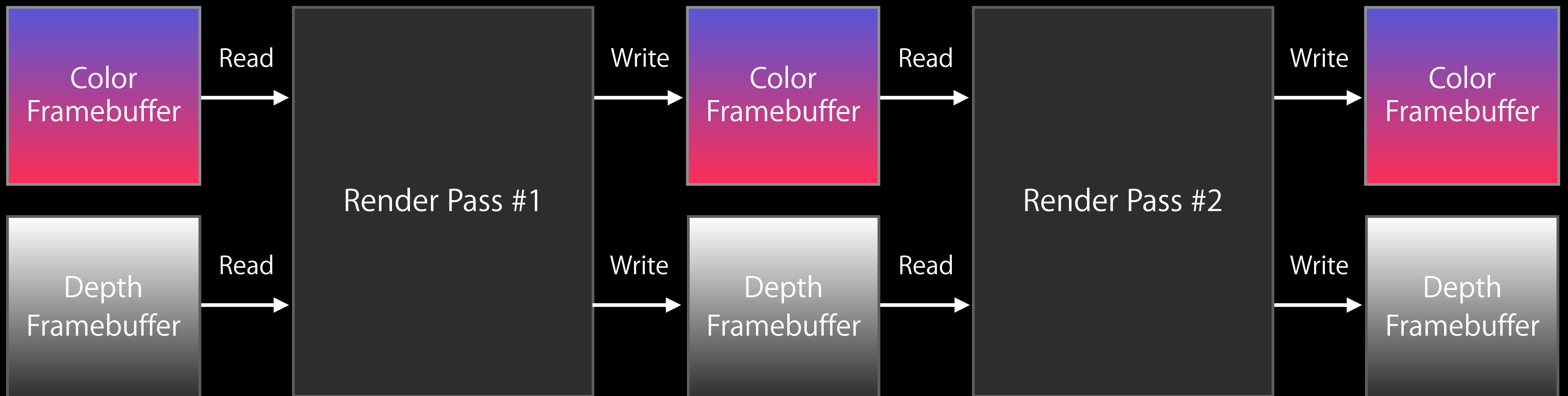
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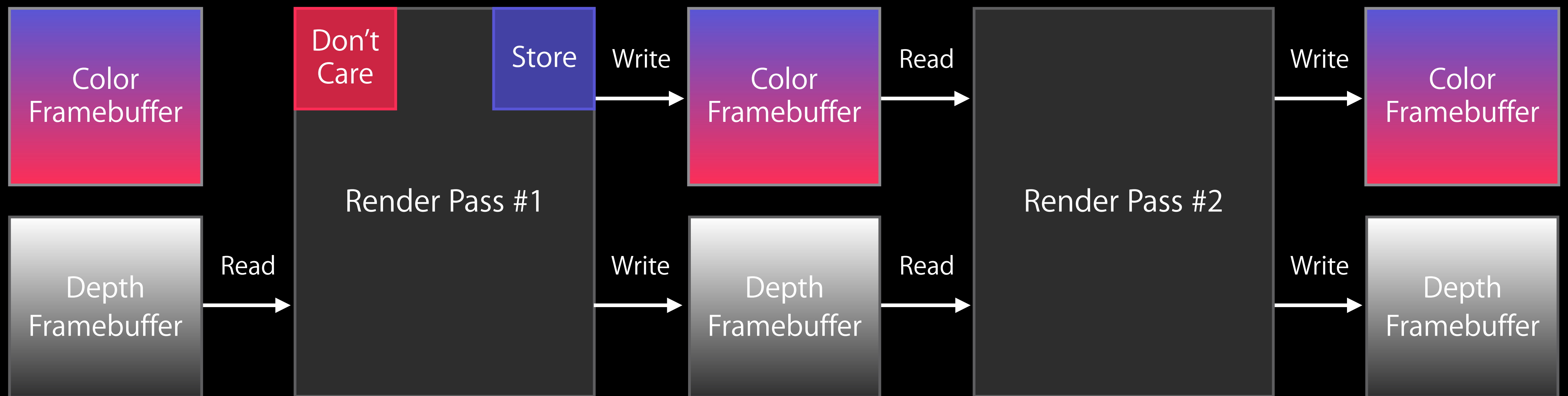
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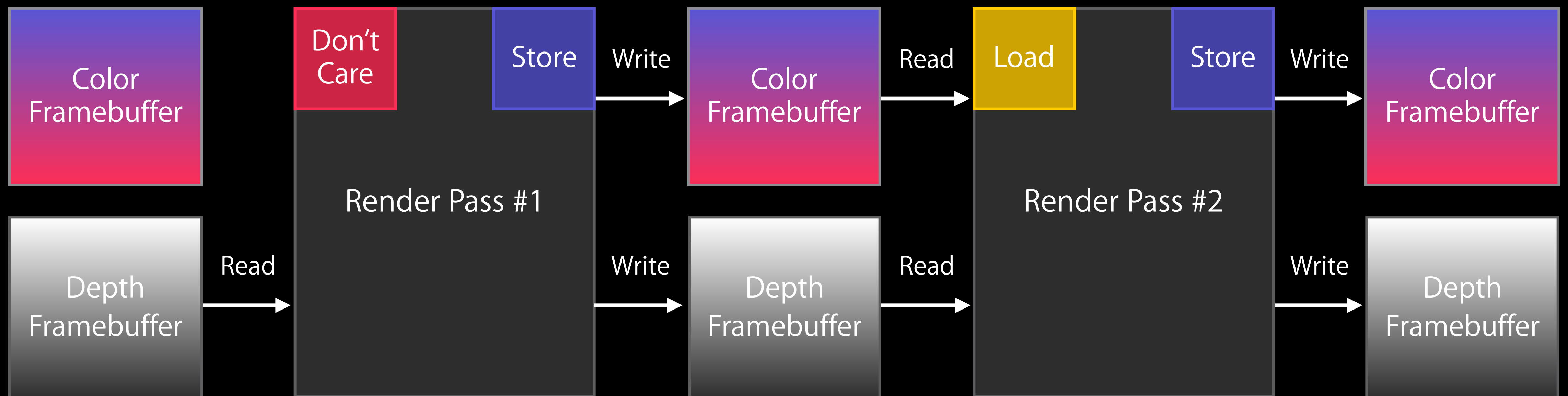
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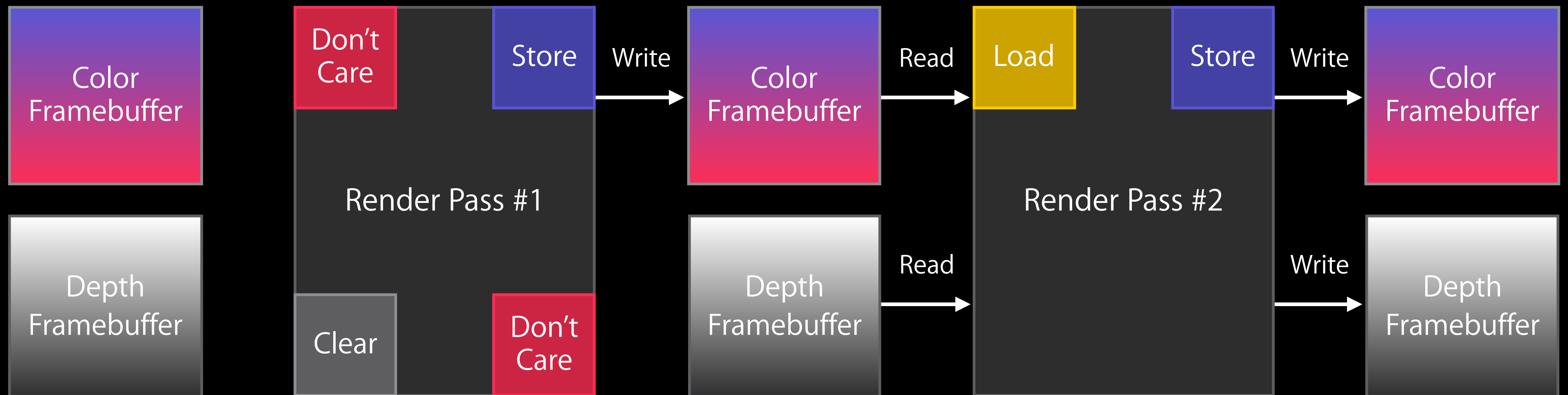
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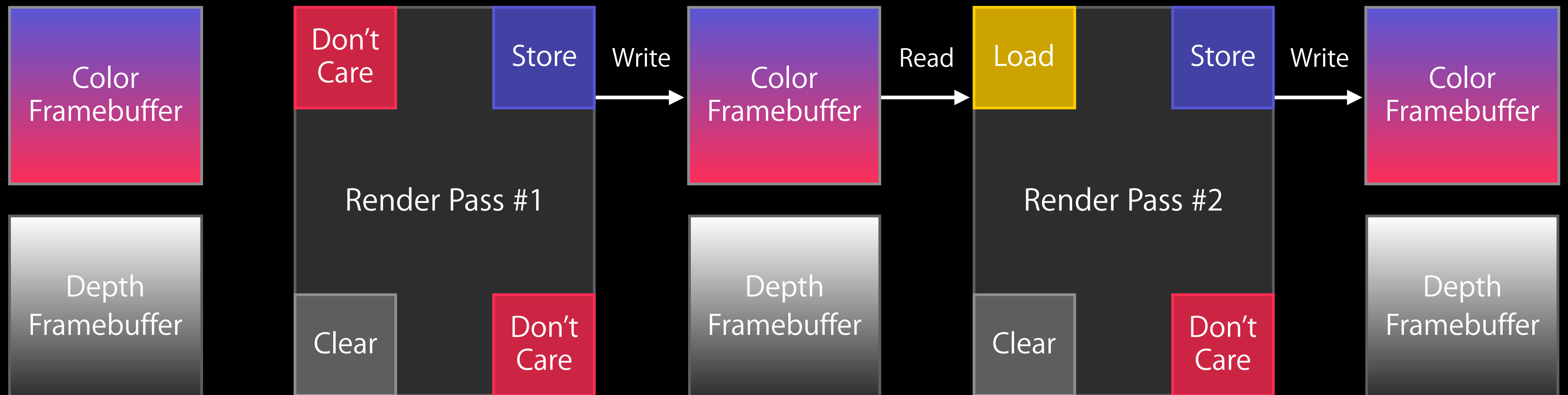
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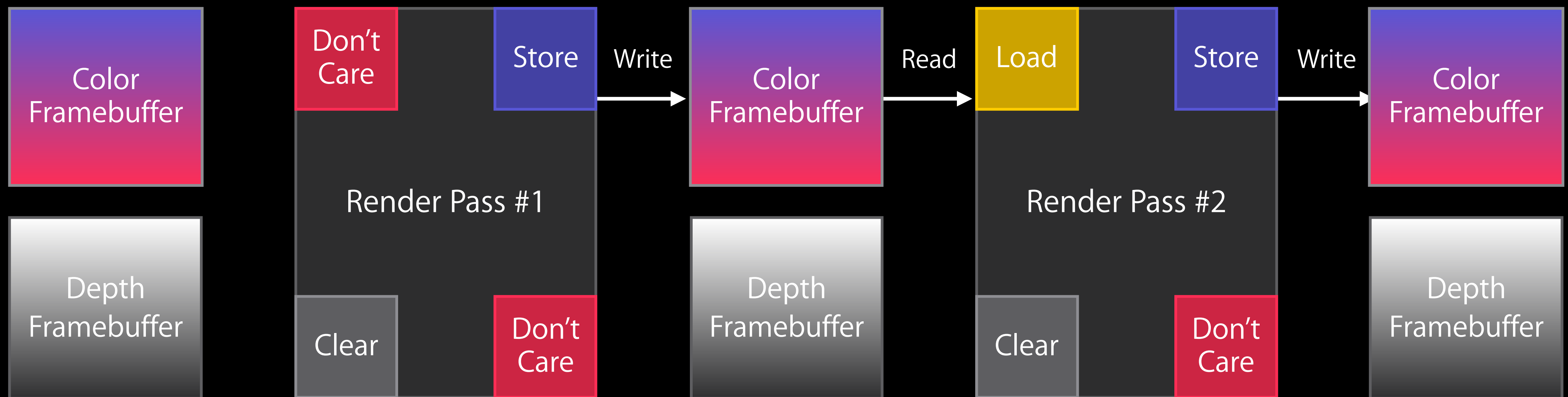
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Depth: 0 reads + 0 writes



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- Textures and data buffers
- Local and global memory
- Local atomics
- Barriers
- Memory loads and stores
- User-specified workgroup dimensions

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Compute State

Compute functions, workgroup configuration

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Sampler

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There is also a run-time shader compiler

- No draw time compilation
- For best performance, use offline compiler

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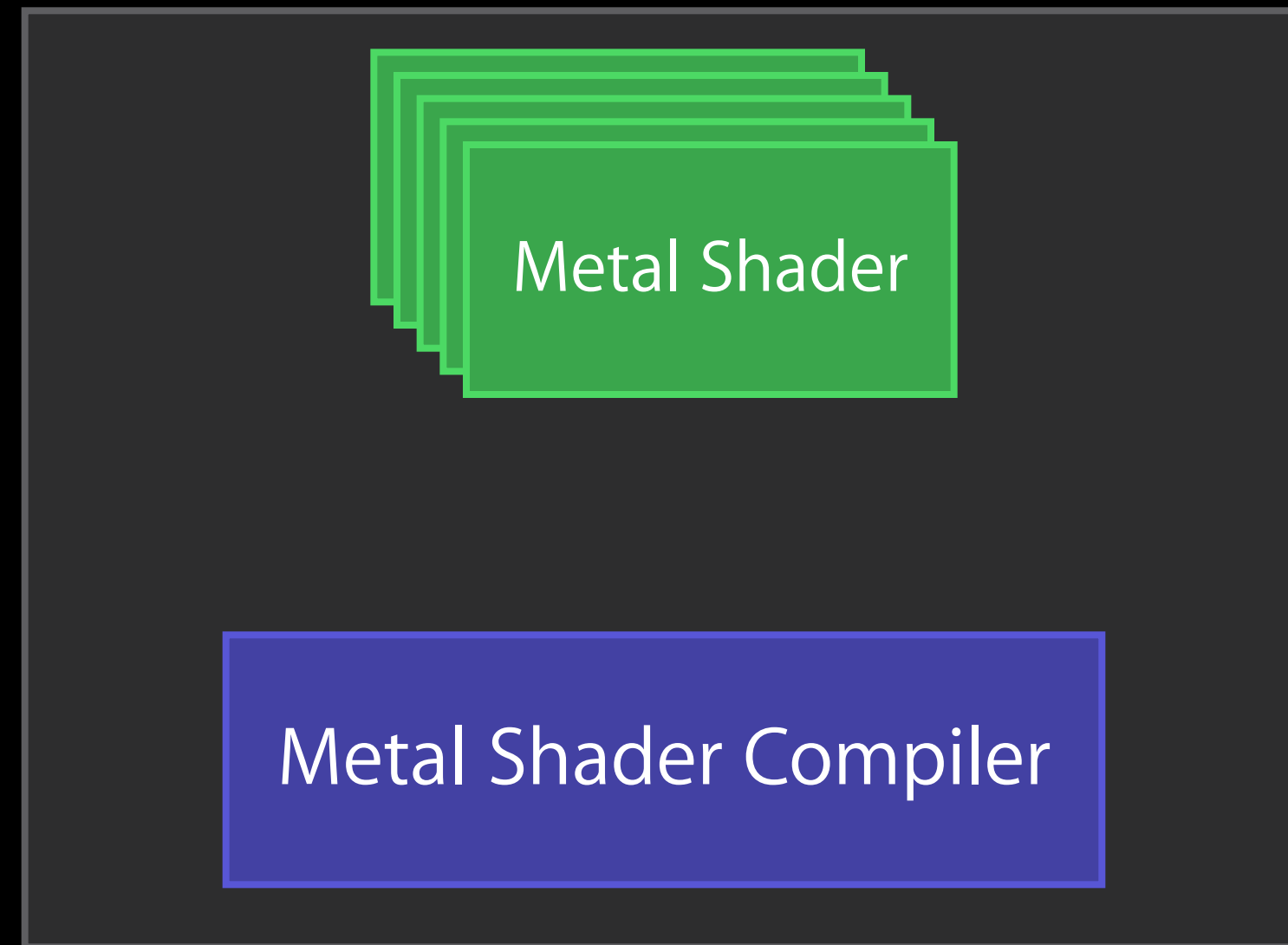


Metal Shader Compiler

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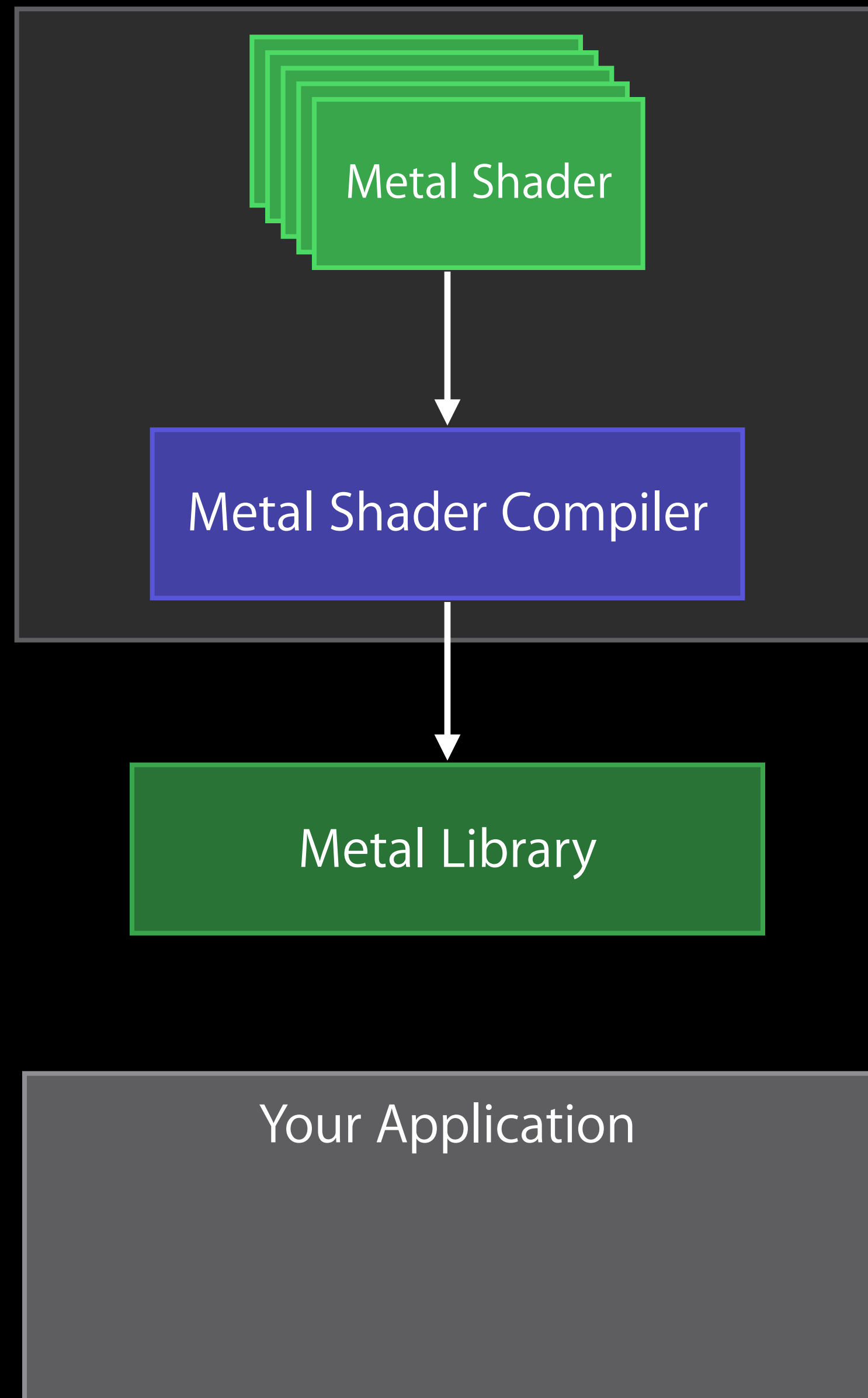
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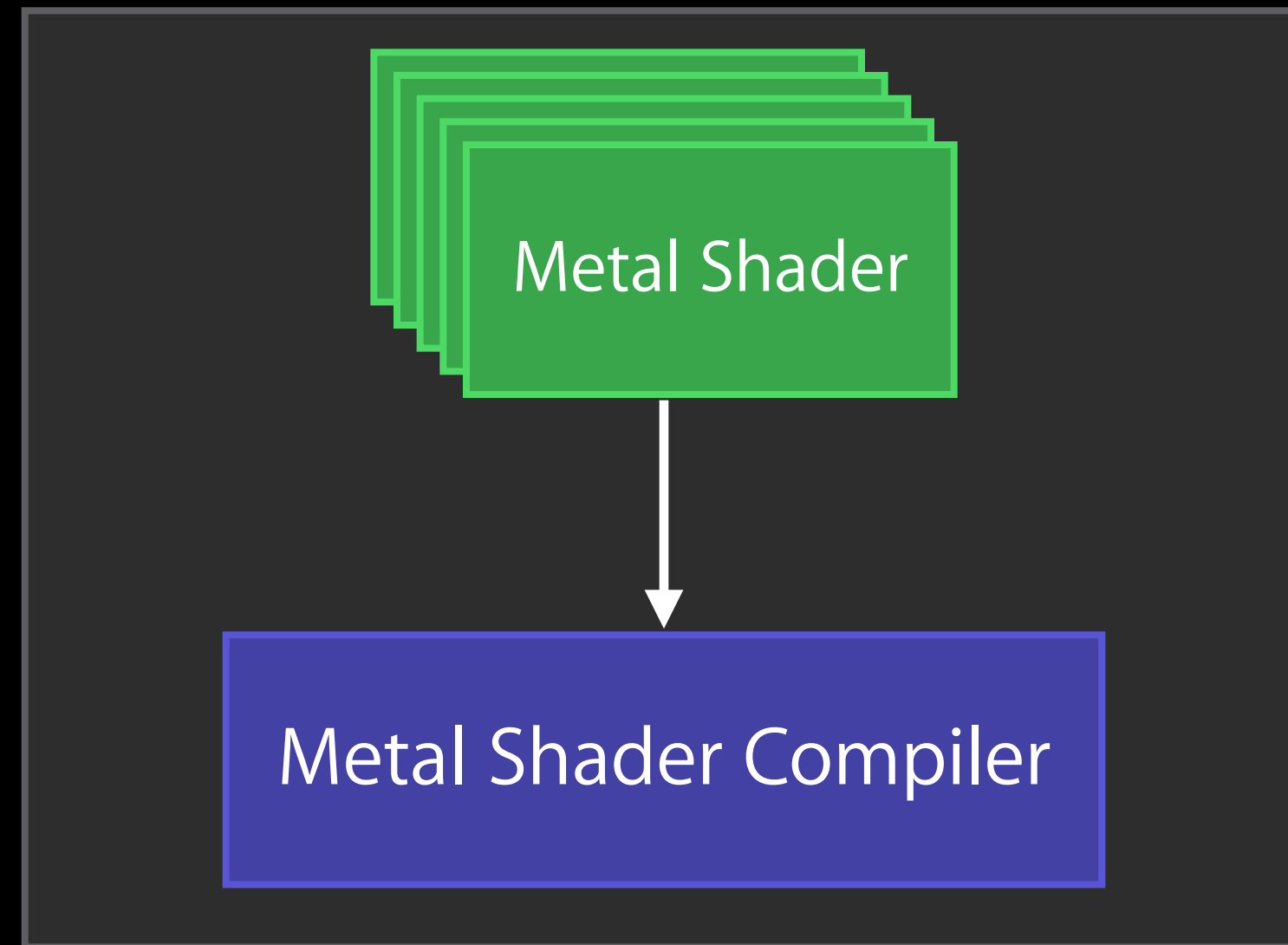
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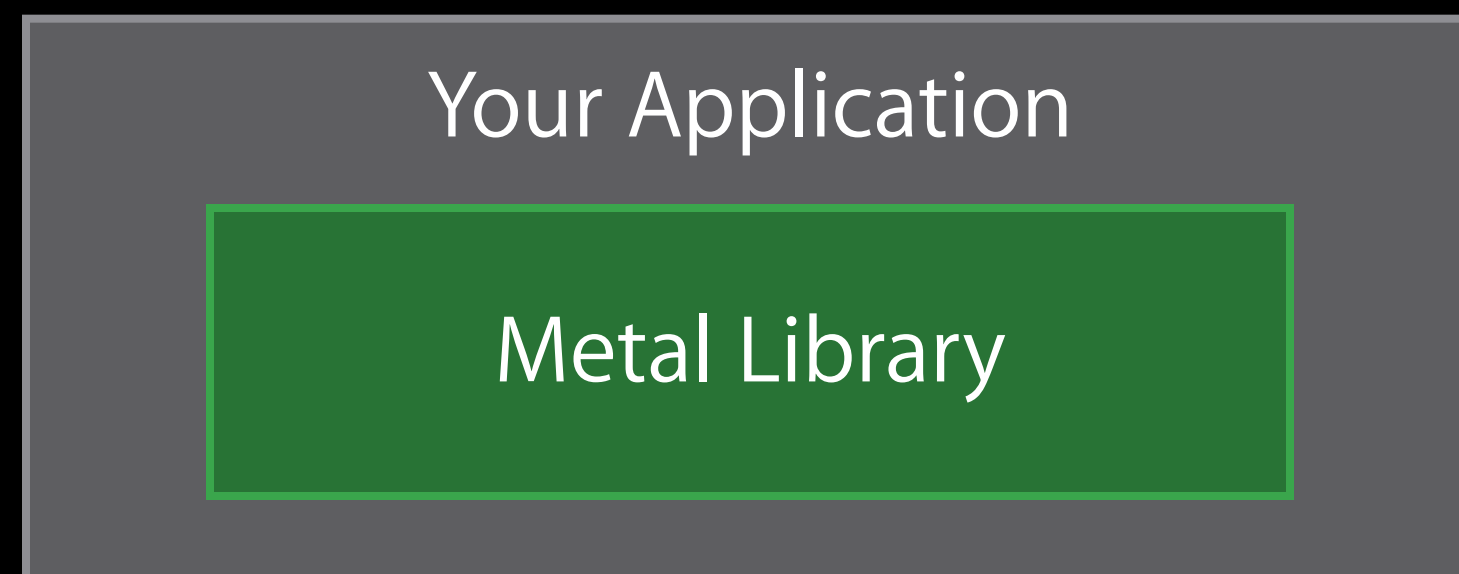


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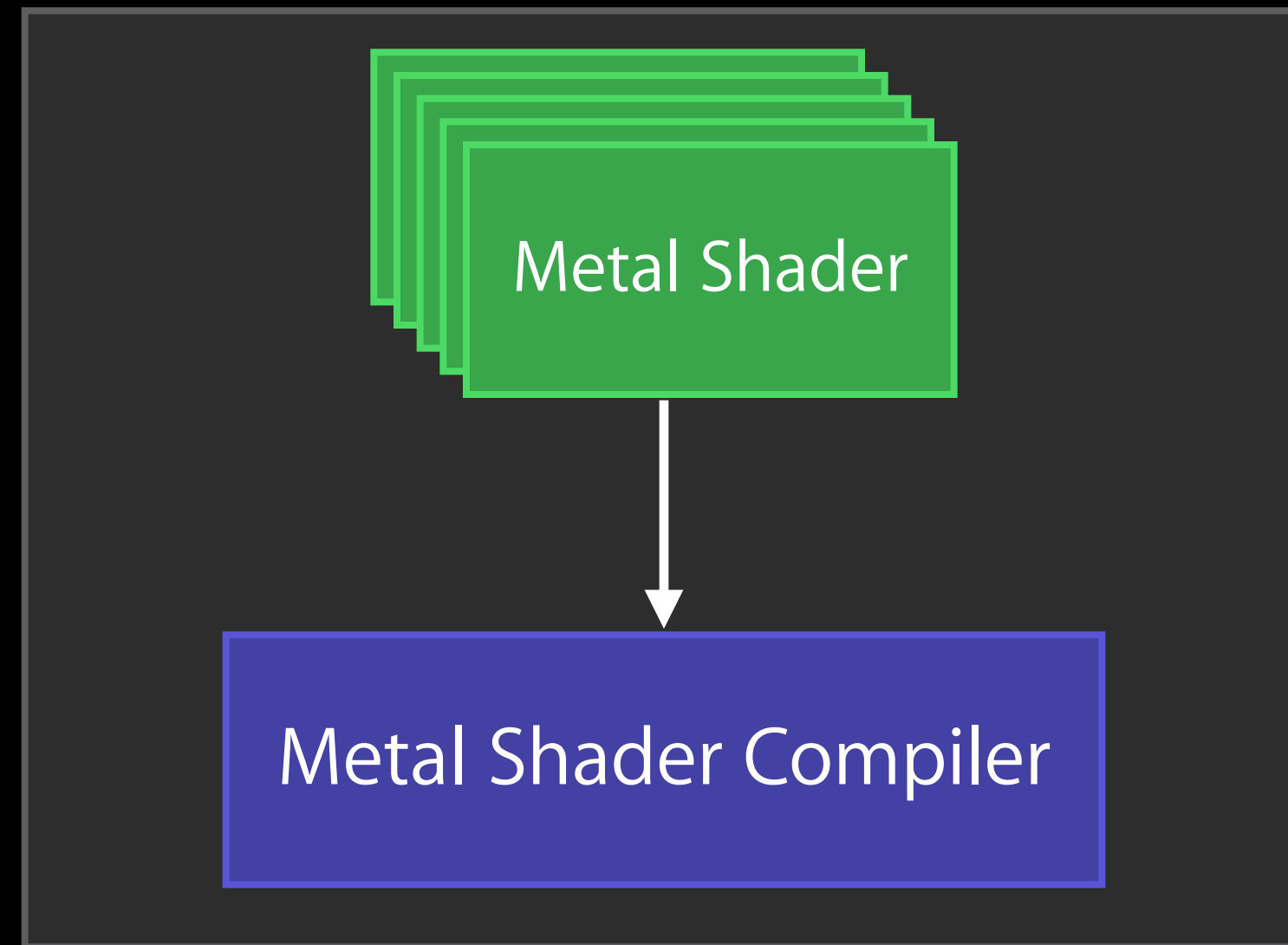


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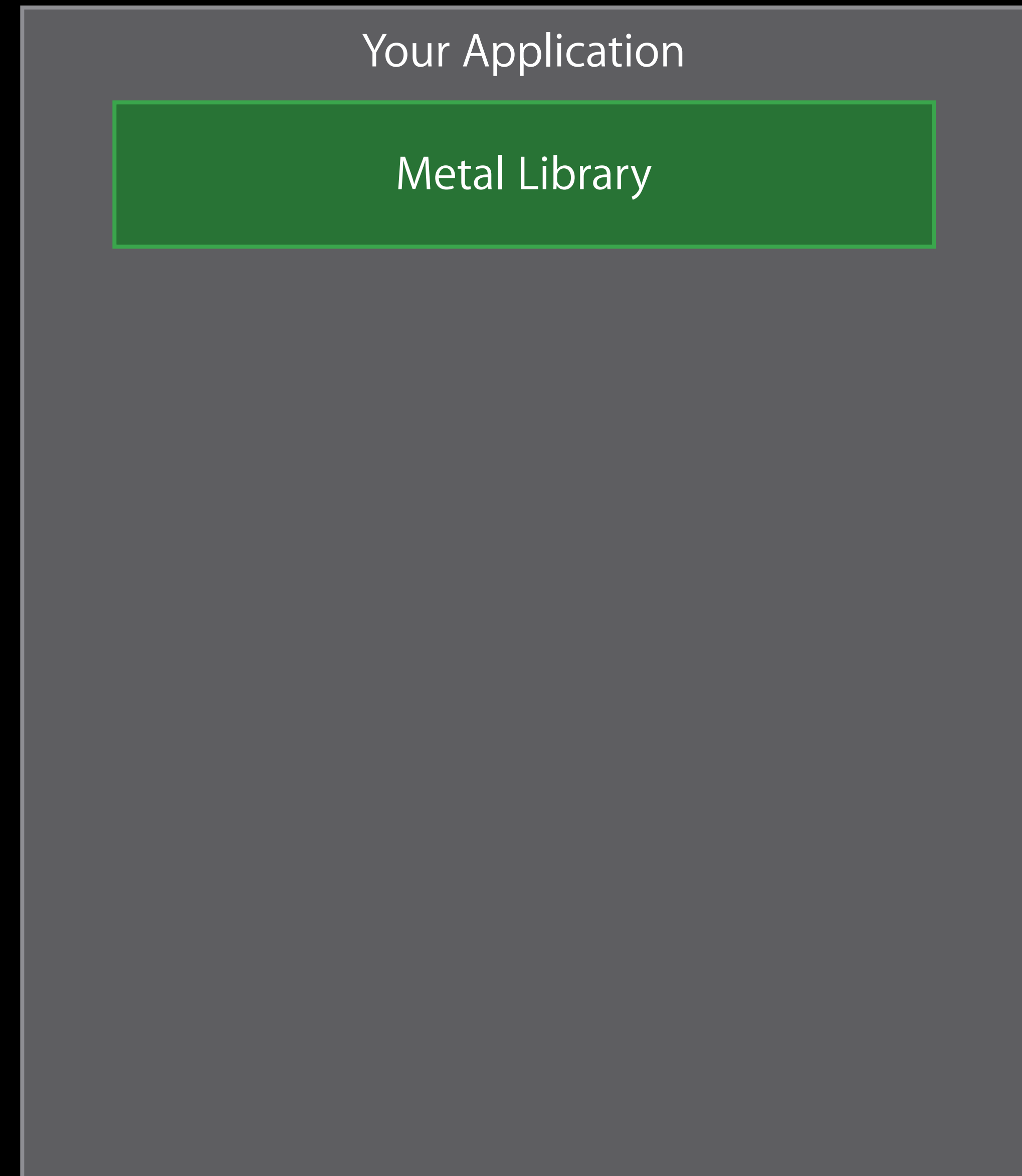


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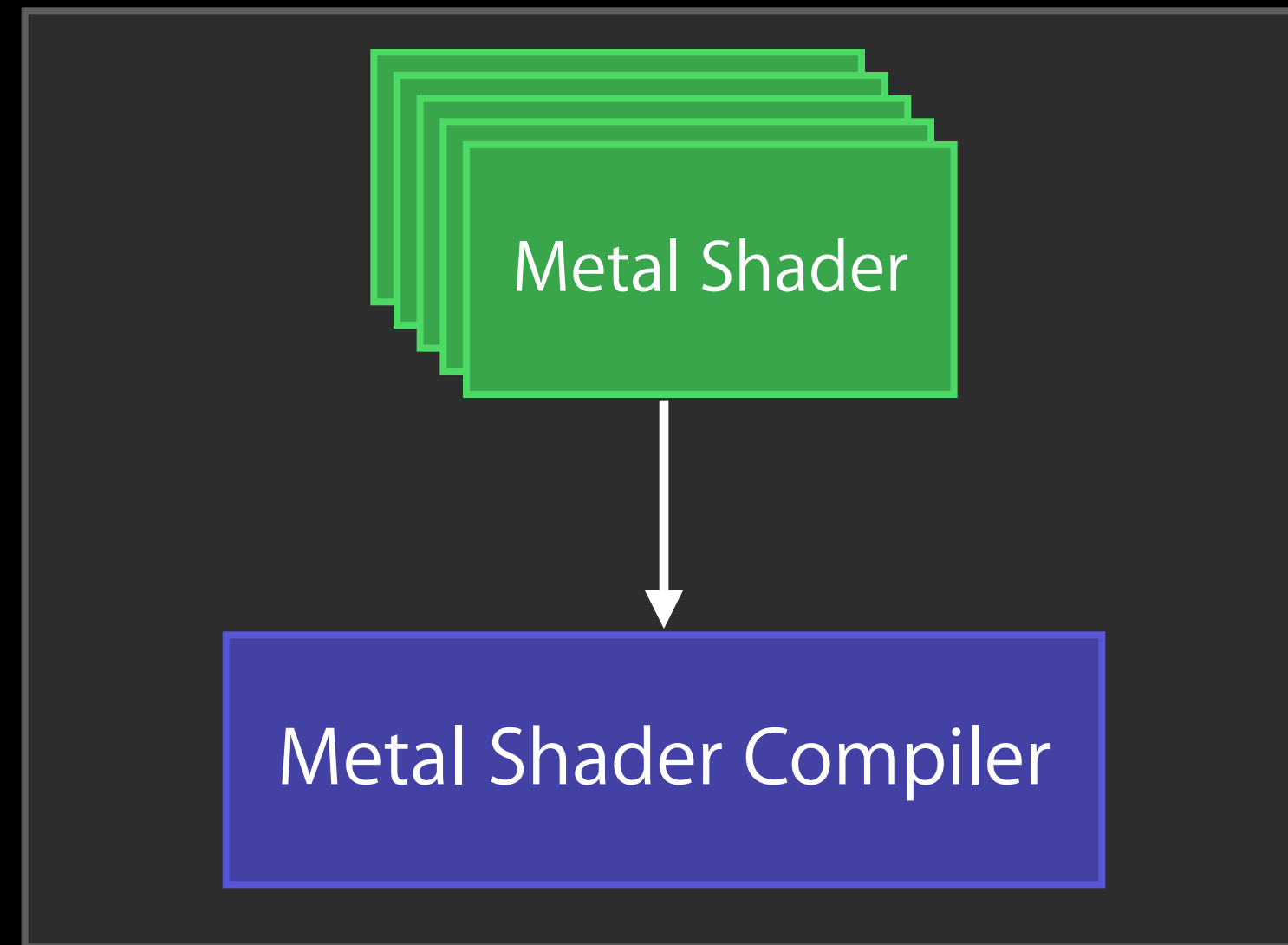


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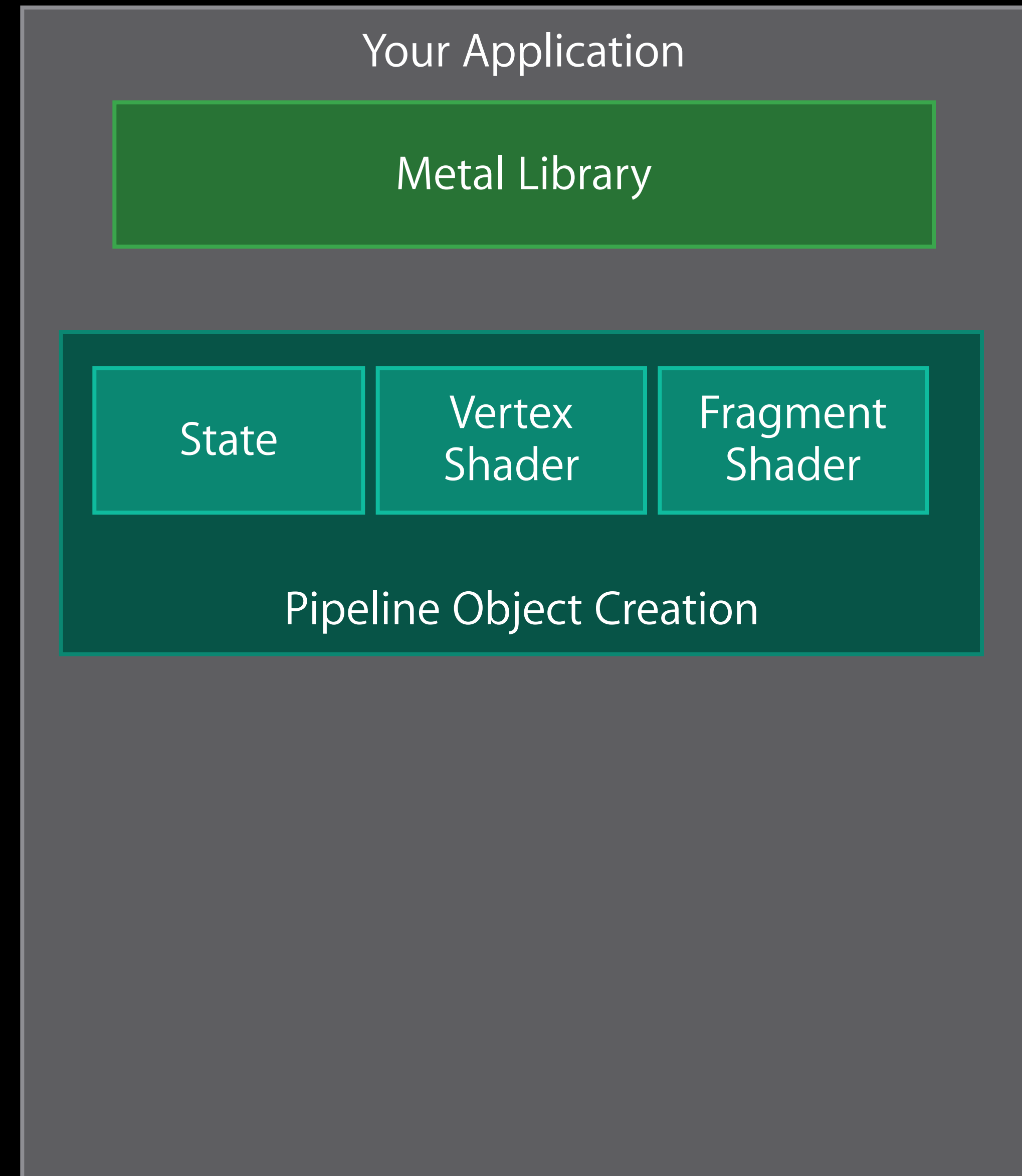


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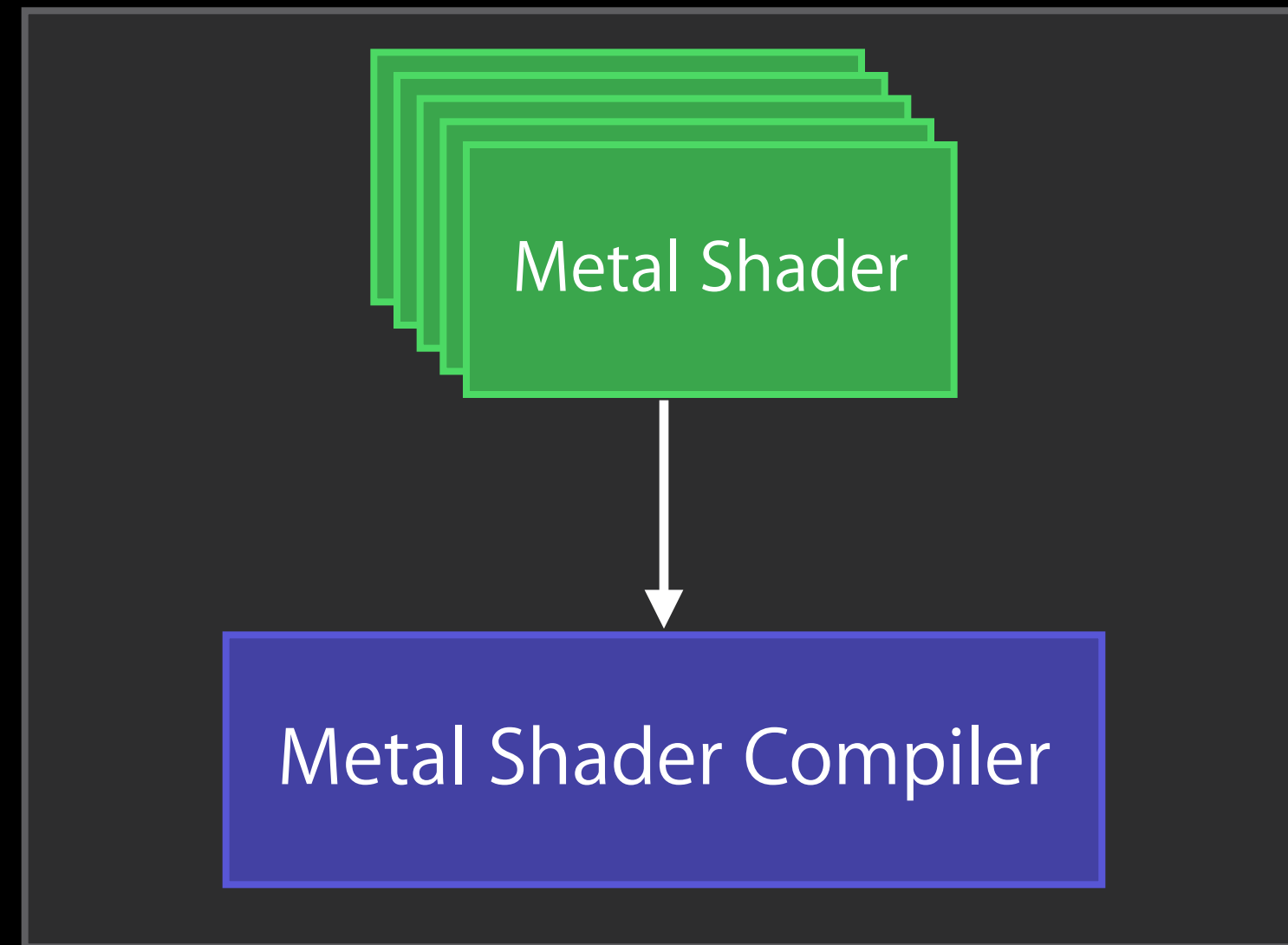
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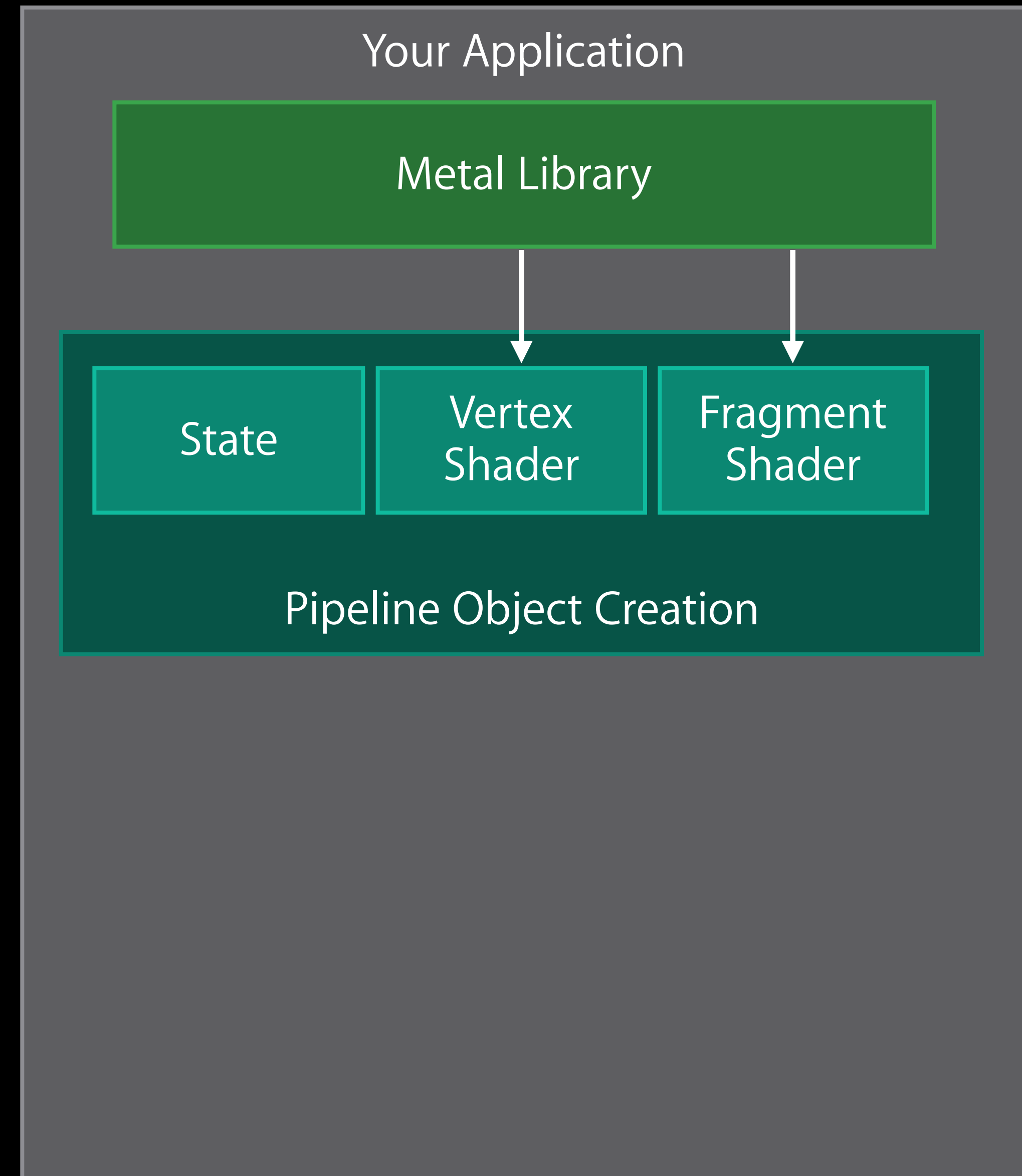


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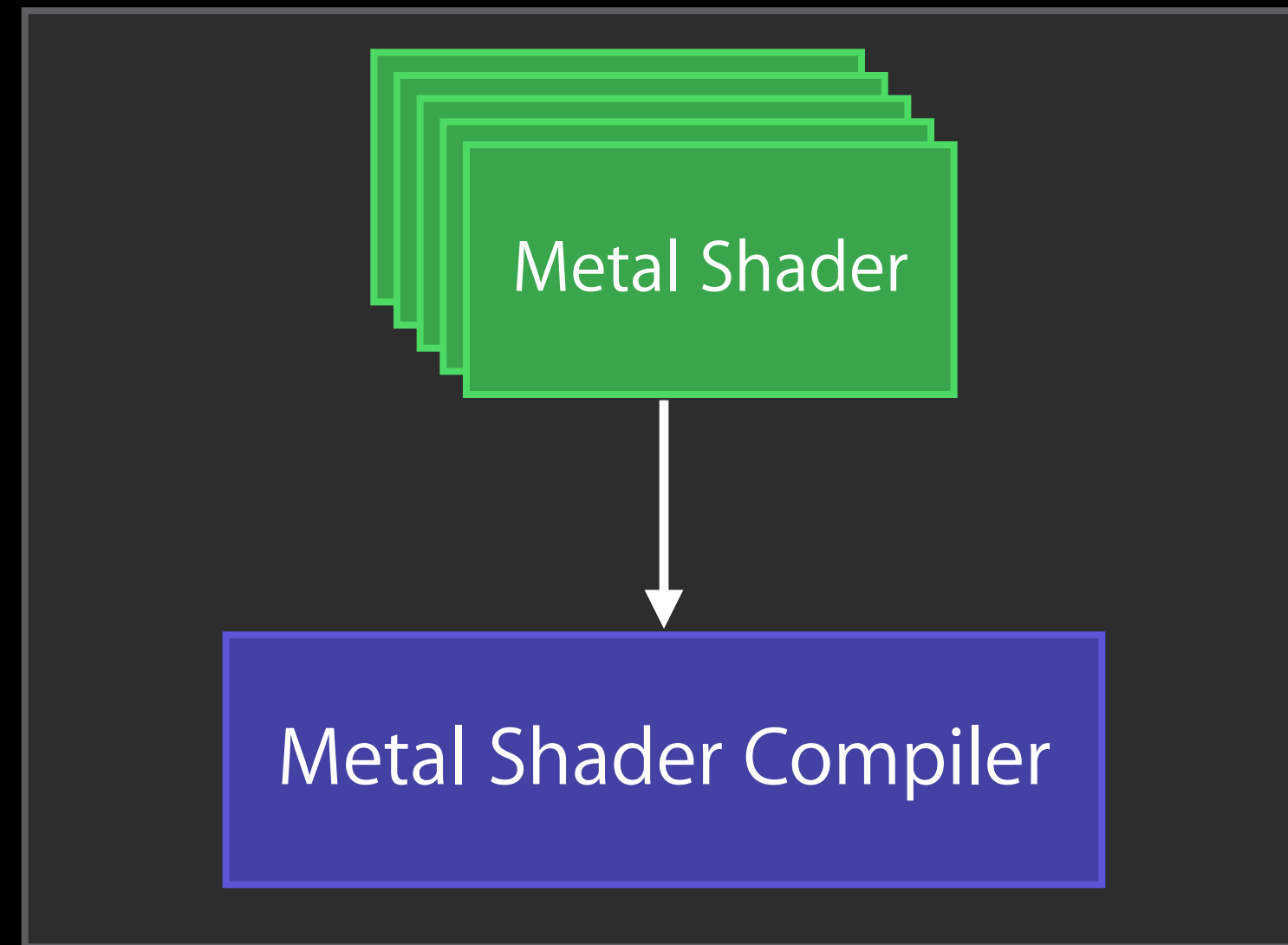


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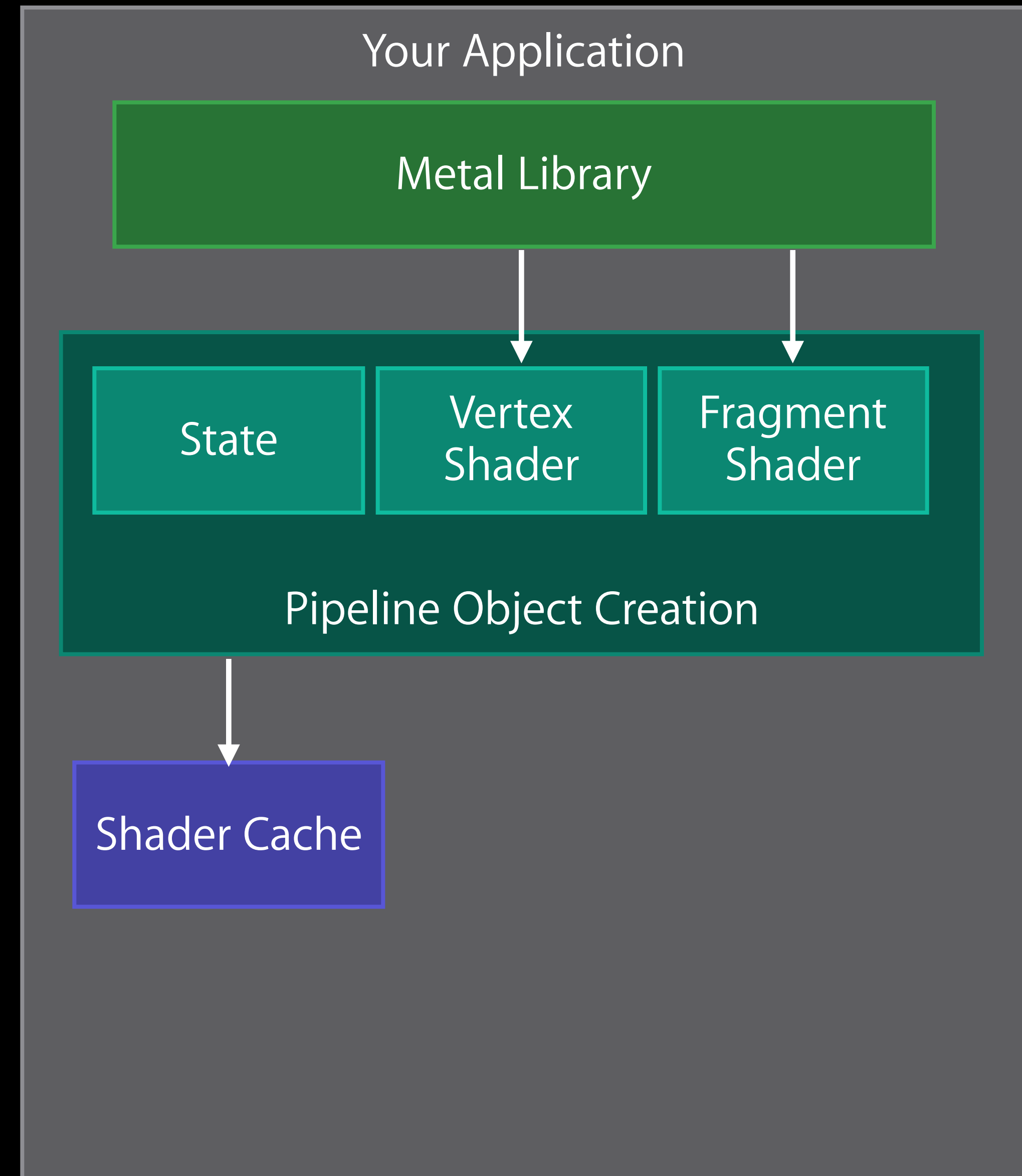


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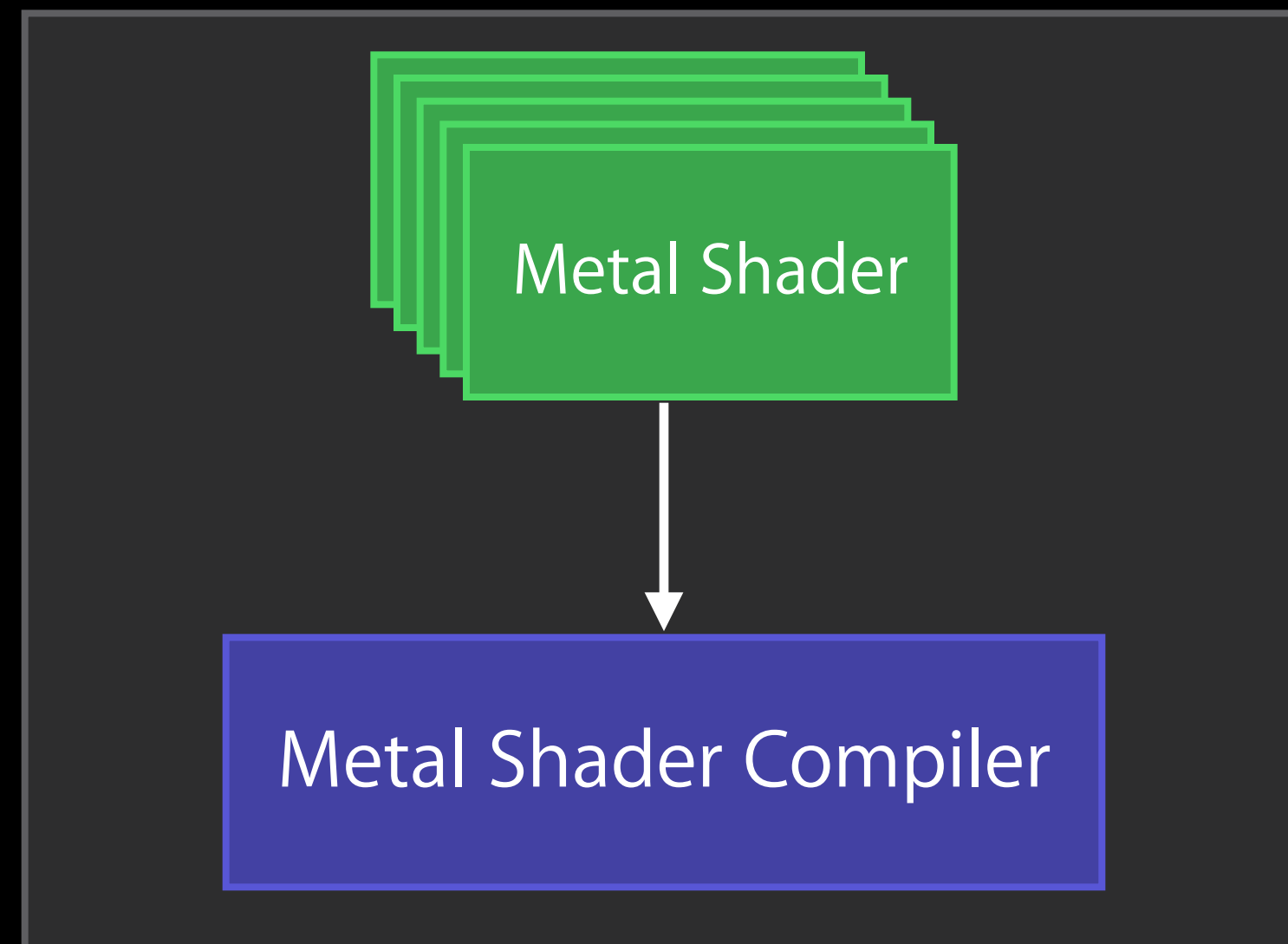


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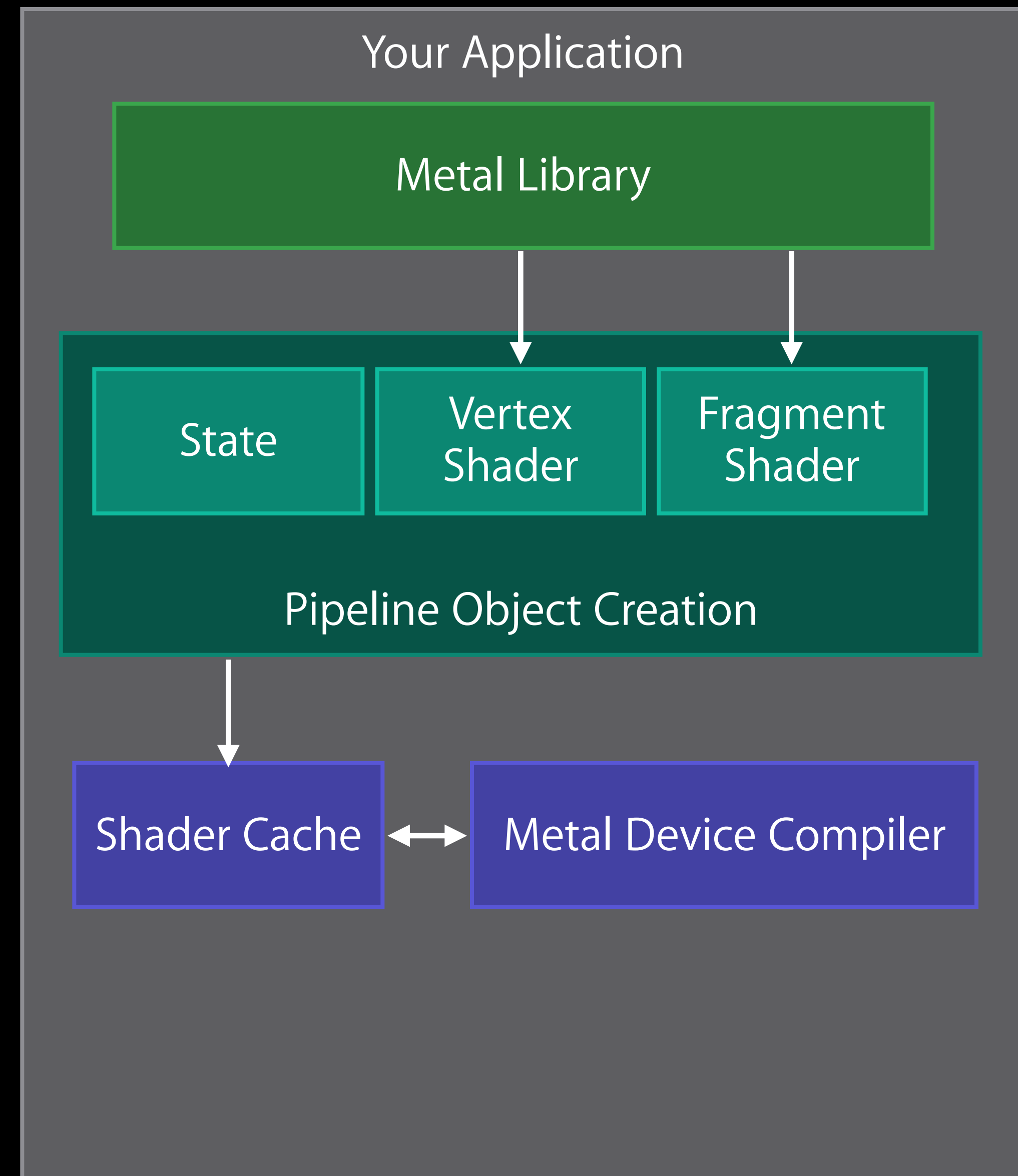


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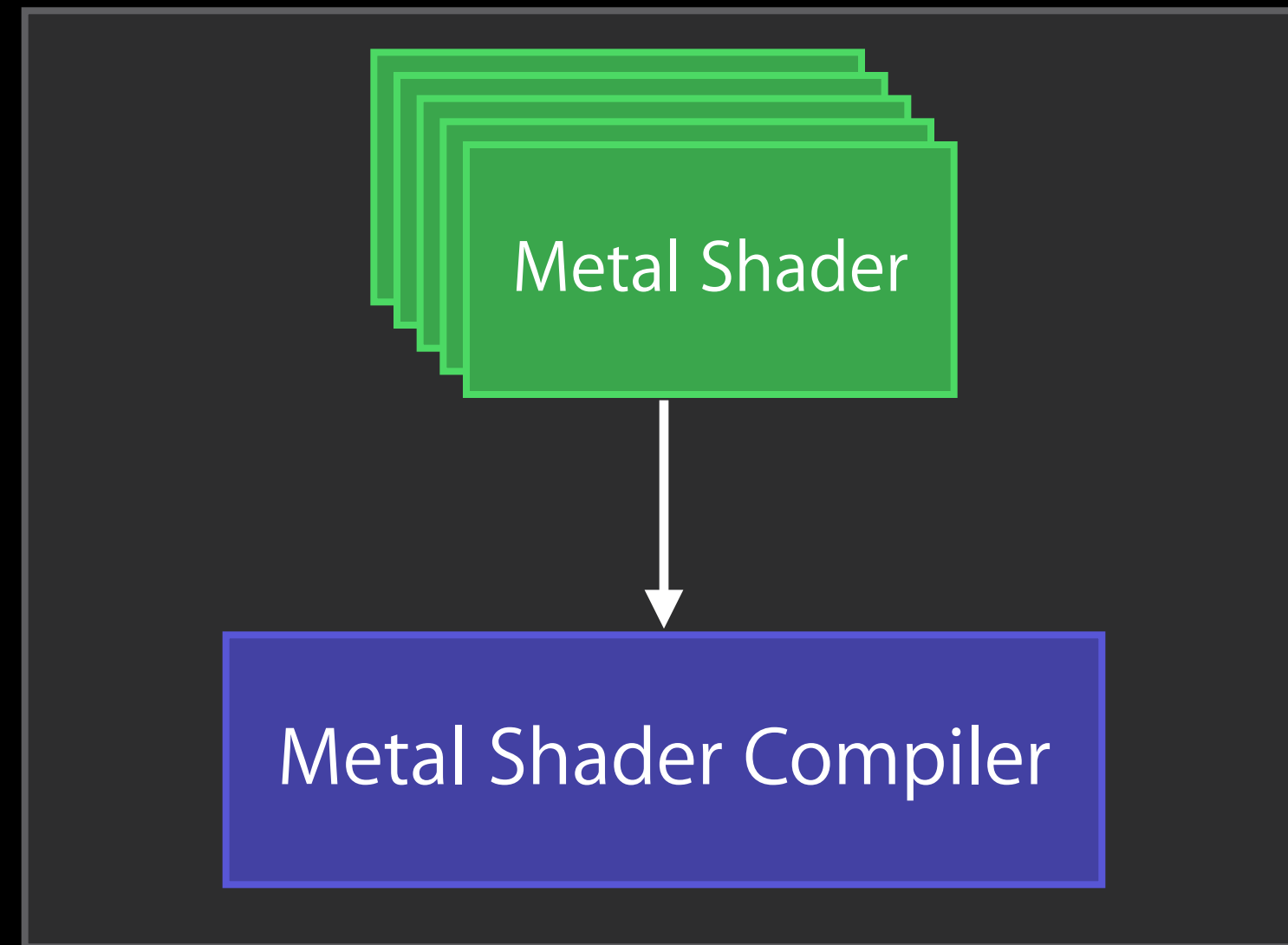


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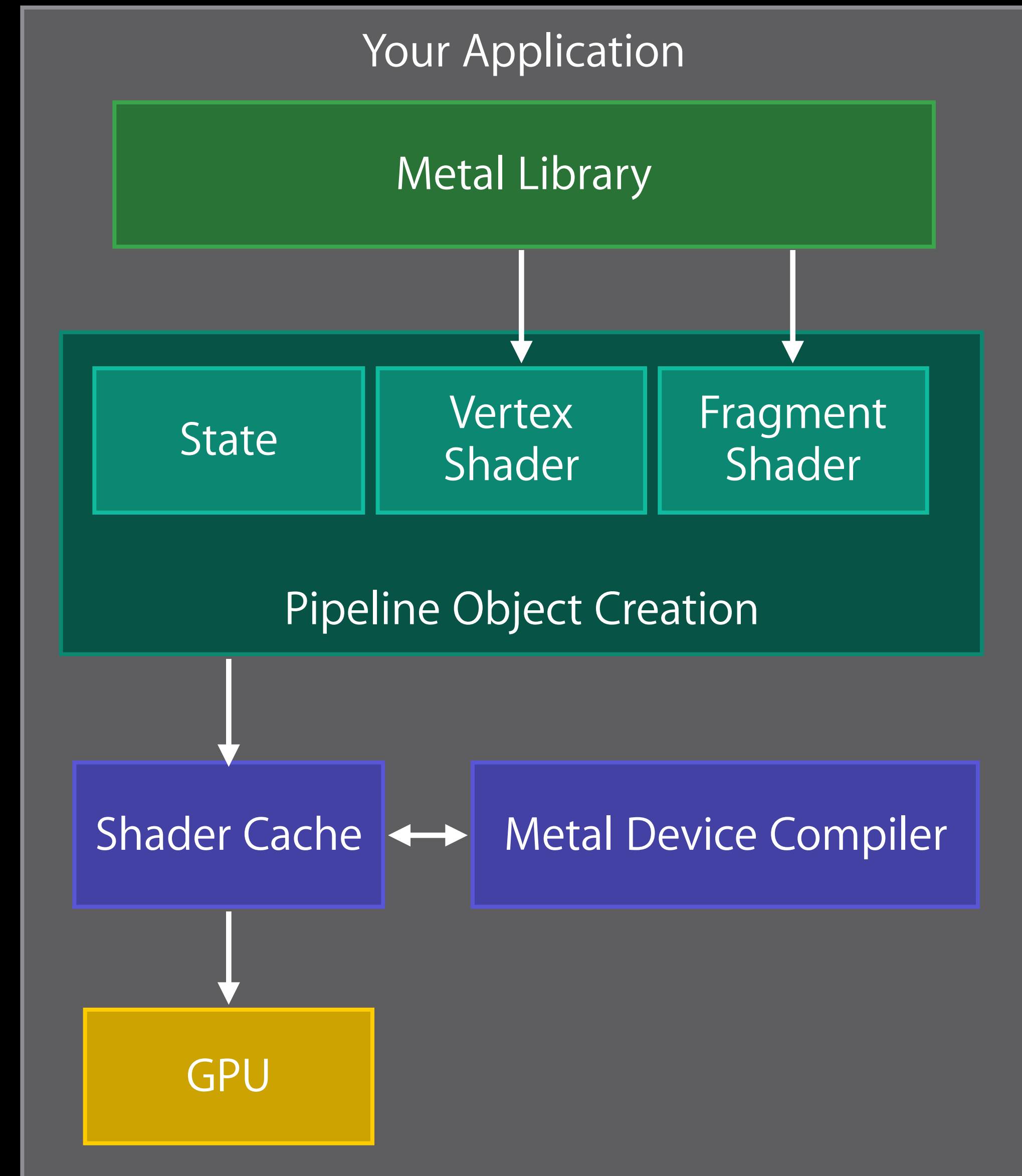


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# Metal Tools Fully Integrated into Xcode

Visual frame debugger

API trace and navigation

Shader edit-and-continue

Rich source code editing (including shaders)

Graphics and compute state inspection

Shader compiler

Debug mode for Metal framework



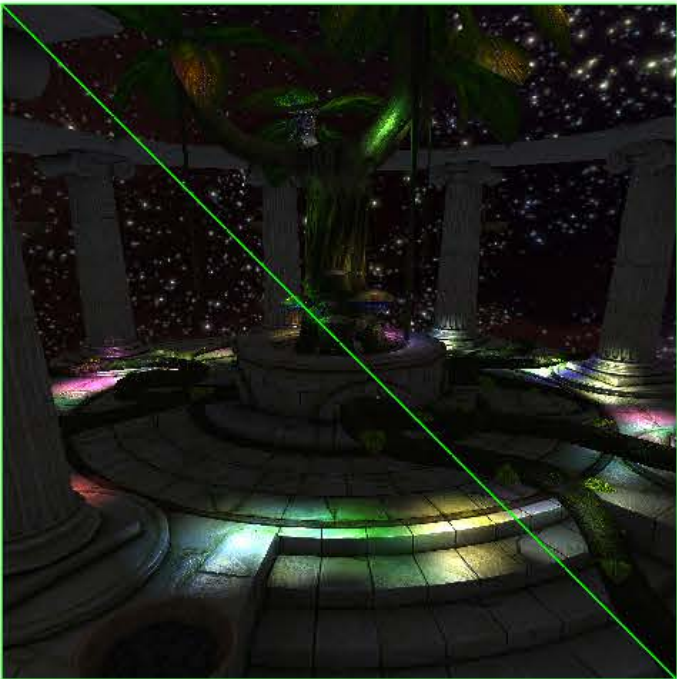
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Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

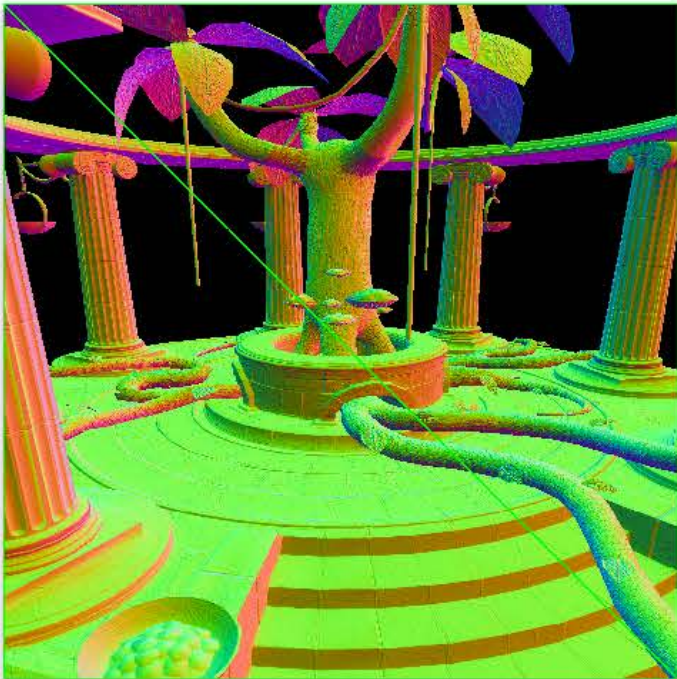
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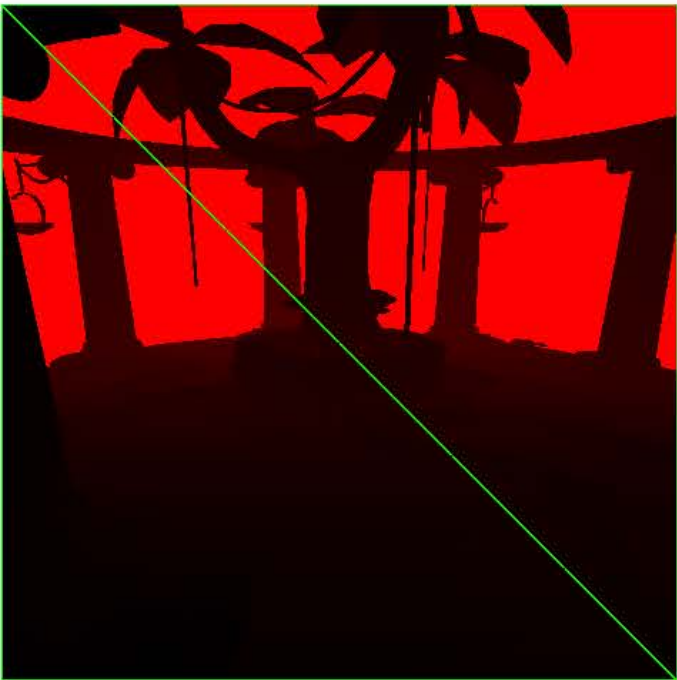
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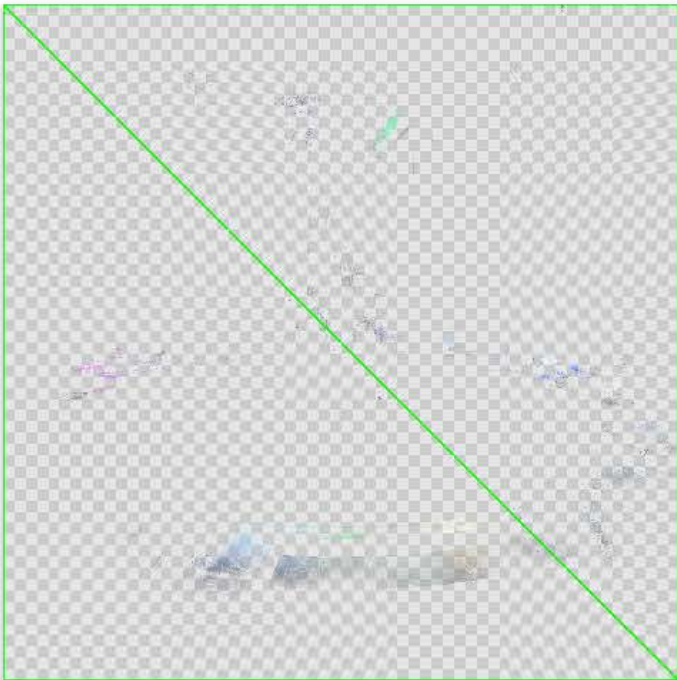
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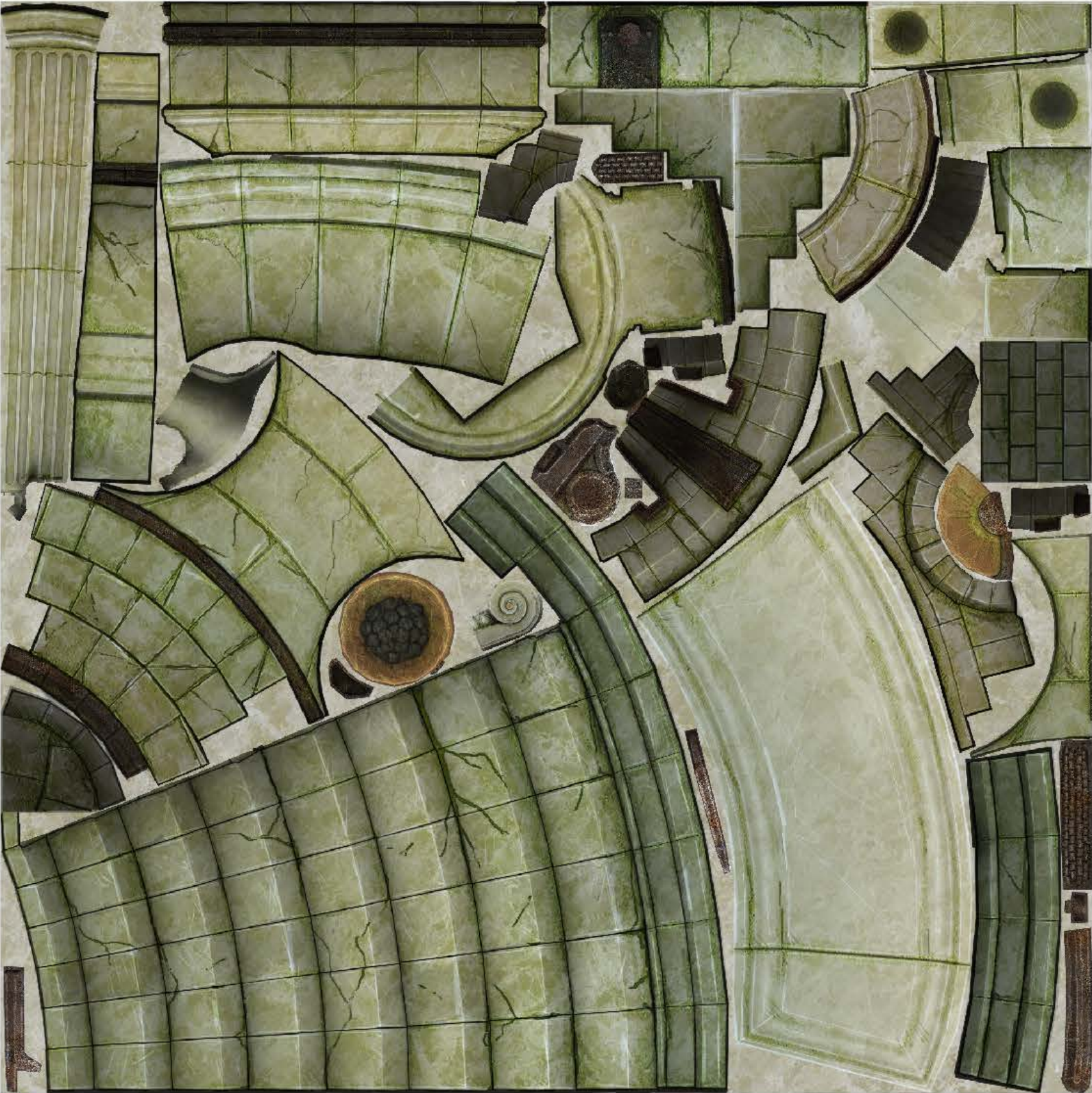
Color1



Color2



Color3



FS1 Texture 0x15ee1c760

Level 0

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Frame Navigator

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    - Material
      - 2239 [pushDebugGroup:"Material"]
      - 2240 [setRenderPipelineState:Material Render]
      - 2241 [setCullMode:0]
      - 2242 [setFragmentBuffer:0x1701bbd60 offset:0 atI...]
      - 2243 [setDepthStencilState:0x1700b5ea0]
      - 2244 [setStencilReferenceValue:128]
      - 2245 [setVertexBuffer:0x1701babe0 offset:0 atIndex:0]
      - 2246 [drawPrimitives:3 vertexStart:0 vertexCount:6...]
      - 2247 [popDebugGroup]
    - Sprites
      - 2259 [endEncoding]
  - 2260 0x170051a90 <- [renderCommandEncoderWithFr...]
  - Final
  - 2270 [addScheduledPresent:0x17022bc80]
  - 2271 [commit]

Material 2246 [drawPrimitives:3 vertexStart:0 vertexCount:6 instanceCount:1]

Bound GPU Objects > All > No Selection

Color0 Color1 Color2 Color3

FS Texture "Stencil" FS Texture "Depth" FS Texture "GBuffer3" FS Texture "GBuffer2" FS Texture "GBuffer1" FS Texture "GBuffer0"

FS0 Texture 0x15ee1e5d0 FS1 Texture 0x15ee1c760 FS2 Texture "Shadow" VS0 Buffer 0x1701babe0 VS1 Buffer 0x1701bbba0 VS2 Buffer 0x1701bb9e0

FS0 Buffer 0x1701bbd60 FS1 Buffer 0x1701bb120 FS2 Buffer 0x1701bb200 materialVertex (VS) materialFrag (FS)

State Inspector

2246 [drawPrimitives:3 vertexStart:0 vertexCount:6 instanceCount:1]

- P "Material Render" (0x17809e410) materialVertex/materialFrag
- T Fragment Texture 0 0x15ee1e5d0
- T Fragment Texture 1 0x15ee1c760
- T Fragment Texture 2 "Shadow" (0x15ed0f760)
- S Fragment Sampler 0 0x1700cfb90
- B Fragment Buffer 0 0x1701bbd60
- B Fragment Buffer 1 0x1701bb120
- B Fragment Buffer 2 0x1701bb200
- B Vertex Buffer 0 0x1701babe0

Auto < > All MTL Objects < >

- B Buffers 32 Buffers
- Command Buffers 1 Command Buffer
- C Command Queues 1 Command Queue
- D Depth Stencil States 7 Depth Stencil States
- F Framebuffers 4 Framebuffers
- L Libraries 9 Libraries
- R Render Command Encoders 3 Render Command Encoders
  - "ShadowBuffer" (0x170051250)
  - "GBuffer" (0x1700529f0)



MetalDeferredLighting

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

Graphics Report

MetalDeferredLighting  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

Pipeline "Light Color Re..." 5.11 ms  
 Light (VS) 0.02 ms  
 LightFrag (FS) 5.10 ms  
 Draws  
 Pipeline "GBuffer Render" 4.15 ms  
 gBufferVert (VS) 0.35 ms  
 gBufferFrag (FS) 3.81 ms  
 Draws  
 50 [drawIndexedP... 2.96 ms  
 54 [drawIndexedP... 1.19 ms  
 58 [drawIndexedP... 0.00 ms  
 Pipeline "Material Render" 2.58 ms  
 Pipeline "Texture Copy" 2.01 ms  
 Pipeline "Skybox Render" 0.43 ms  
 Pipeline "Fairy Sprites" 0.32 ms  
 Pipeline "Shadow Render" 0.01 ms  
 Pipeline "Light Mask Re..." 0.00 ms

Graphics

Frames Per Second 60

Utilization

18% TILER, 83% RENDERER, 88% DEVICE, 13.5 ms CPU

Program Performance

Program	Frame %	Current ms	1	2
Pipeline "Light Color Render"	35.0%	5.11		
Pipeline "GBuffer Render"	28.4%	4.15		
Pipeline "Material Render"	17.7%	2.58		
Pipeline "Texture Copy"	13.8%	2.01		
Pipeline "Skybox Render"	2.9%	0.43		
Pipeline "Fairy Sprites"	2.2%	0.32		
Pipeline "Shadow Render"	0.1%	0.01		
Pipeline "Light Mask Render"	0.0%	0.00		
Total		14.62		

```

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]],
  constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
  texture2d<float> bump_texture
  [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler
  [[sampler(0)]],
  texture2d<float> diffuse_texture
  [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler
  [[sampler(1)]],
  depth2d<float> shadow_texture
  [[texture(2)])]
{
  float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, 0.5%
  in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
  float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler
  in.v_texcoord.xy);
  float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in. 4.1%
  v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
  tangent_normal.y;
  float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 14.8
  0.5;

  const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linea
  , address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);

  float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture. 43.8%
  sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.v_shadowcoord.xy, in.
  v_shadowcoord.z);

  FragOutput output;
  world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

  output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;

```

2236 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:60 indexType:0 indexBuffer:0x17...

Auto | All MTL Objects



MetalDeferredLighting

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

Graphics Report

MetalDeferredLighting  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

Graphics

Frames Per Second 60

Utilization

18% TILER, 83% RENDERER, 88% DEVICE, 13.5 ms CPU

Program Performance

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Pipeline "Skybox Render"	2.9%	0.43		
Pipeline "Fairy Sprites"	2.2%	0.32		
Pipeline "Shadow Render"	0.1%	0.01		
Pipeline "Light Mask Render"	0.0%	0.00		
Total		14.62		

```

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]],
    constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
        texture2d<float> bump_texture
        [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler
        [[sampler(0)]],
        texture2d<float> diffuse_texture
        [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler
        [[sampler(1)]],
        depth2d<float> shadow_texture
        [[texture(2)]]
)
{
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, 0.5%
        in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler
        in.v_texcoord.xy);
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in. 4.1%
        v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
        tangent_normal.y;
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 14.8
        0.5;

    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linea
        , address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);

    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture. 43.8%
        sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.v_shadowcoord.xy, in.
        v_shadowcoord.z);

    FragOutput output;
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;

```

2236 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:60 indexType:0 indexBuffer:0x17...

Auto

All MTL Objects

Performance Report



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

- Pipeline "Light Color Render" 5.11 ms
  - Light (VS) 0.02 ms
  - LightFrag (FS) 5.10 ms
  - Draws
- Pipeline "GBuffer Render" 4.15 ms
  - gBufferVert (VS) 0.35 ms
  - gBufferFrag (FS) 3.81 ms
    - Draws
      - 50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6... 2.96 ms
      - 54 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:2... 1.19 ms
      - 58 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:4... 0.00 ms
  - Pipeline "Material Render" 2.58 ms
  - Pipeline "Texture Copy" 2.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Skybox Render" 0.43 ms
  - Pipeline "Fairy Sprites" 0.32 ms
  - Pipeline "Shadow Render" 0.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Light Mask Render" 0.00 ms

```
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]], // depth
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light
};

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
                               texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],
                               texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)
                               ]]],
                               depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)])
{
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
    tangent_normal.y;
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5;

    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);

    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.
    v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z);

    FragOutput output;
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)
    ;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;

    return output;
}
```

No Selection

Auto All MTL Objects



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

Pipeline	Time
Pipeline "Light Color Render"	5.11 ms
Light (VS)	0.02 ms
LightFrag (FS)	5.10 ms
Draws	
Pipeline "GBuffer Render"	4.15 ms
gBufferVert (VS)	0.35 ms
gBufferFrag (FS)	3.81 ms
Draws	
50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6...	2.96 ms
54 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:2...	1.19 ms
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Pipeline "Material Render"	2.58 ms
Pipeline "Texture Copy"	2.01 ms
Pipeline "Skybox Render"	0.43 ms
Pipeline "Fairy Sprites"	0.32 ms
Pipeline "Shadow Render"	0.01 ms
Pipeline "Light Mask Render"	0.00 ms

```
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]]; // depth
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light
};

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
                                texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],
                                texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)
                                ]]],
                                depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)]])
{
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
    tangent_normal.y;
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5;

    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);

    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.
    v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z);

    FragOutput output;
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)
    ;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;

    return output;
}
```

Shader Profiler

Auto  All MTL Objects



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS: 60 FPS

Category	Item	Time	Percentage
Pipeline	"Light Color Render"	5.11 ms	
Light (VS)		0.02 ms	
LightFrag (FS)		5.10 ms	
Draws			
Pipeline	"GBuffer Render"	4.15 ms	
gBufferVert (VS)		0.35 ms	
gBufferFrag (FS)		3.81 ms	
Draws			
50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6..		2.96 ms	
54 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:2..		1.19 ms	
58 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:4..		0.00 ms	
Pipeline	"Material Render"	2.58 ms	
Pipeline	"Texture Copy"	2.01 ms	
Pipeline	"Skybox Render"	0.43 ms	
Pipeline	"Fairy Sprites"	0.32 ms	
Pipeline	"Shadow Render"	0.01 ms	
Pipeline	"Light Mask Render"	0.00 ms	

```
};  
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light  
};  
fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],  
    texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],  
    texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)  
        ]],  
    depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)]])  
{  
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0; 0.5%  
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);  
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent * 4.1%  
        tangent_normal.y;  
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5; 14.8%  
    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);  
    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in. 43.8%  
        v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z);  
    FragOutput output;  
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)  
        ;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;  
    return output; 28.6%  
}
```

Shader Profiler



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

- Pipeline "Light Color Render" 5.11 ms
  - Light (VS) 0.02 ms
  - LightFrag (FS) 5.10 ms
  - Draws
- Pipeline "GBuffer Render" 4.15 ms
  - gBufferVert (VS) 0.35 ms
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    - Draws
      - 50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6... 2.96 ms
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    - Pipeline "Material Render" 2.58 ms
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    - Pipeline "Skybox Render" 0.43 ms
    - Pipeline "Fairy Sprites" 0.32 ms
    - Pipeline "Shadow Render" 0.01 ms
    - Pipeline "Light Mask Render" 0.00 ms

```
};  
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]]; // depth  
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light  
};  
  
fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],  
                                texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],  
                                texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)  
                                ]]],  
                                depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)]])  
{  
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0; 0.5%  
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);  
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent * 4.1%  
        tangent_normal.y;  
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5; 14.8%  
  
    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);  
  
    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.  
        v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z); 43.8%  
  
    FragOutput output;  
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;  
  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)  
        ;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;  
  
    return output; 28.6%  
}
```

Shader Profiler



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

- Pipeline "Light Color Render" 5.11 ms
  - Light (VS) 0.02 ms
  - LightFrag (FS) 5.10 ms
  - Draws
- Pipeline "GBuffer Render" 4.15 ms
  - gBufferVert (VS) 0.35 ms
  - gBufferFrag (FS) 3.81 ms
    - Draws
      - 50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6... 2.96 ms
      - 54 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:2... 1.19 ms
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  - Pipeline "Material Render" 2.58 ms
  - Pipeline "Texture Copy" 2.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Skybox Render" 0.43 ms
  - Pipeline "Fairy Sprites" 0.32 ms
  - Pipeline "Shadow Render" 0.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Light Mask Render" 0.00 ms

```
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]]; // depth
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light
};

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
                                texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],
                                texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)
                                ]]],
                                depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)])]
{
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
    tangent_normal.y;
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5;

    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);

    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.
    v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z);

    FragOutput output;
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)
    ;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;

    return output;
}
```

0.5%  
4.1%  
14.8%  
43.8%  
28.6%

Shader Profiler



MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal

Running MetalDeferredLighting on Metal

MetalDeferredLighting > MetalDeferredLighting > Shaders > GBuffer.metal > No Selection

**MetalDeferredLighting**  
Captured GPU Frame

FPS 60 FPS

- Pipeline "Light Color Render" 5.11 ms
  - Light (VS) 0.02 ms
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- Pipeline "GBuffer Render" 4.15 ms
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      - 50 [drawIndexedPrimitives:3 indexCount:6... 2.96 ms
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  - Pipeline "Material Render" 2.58 ms
  - Pipeline "Texture Copy" 2.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Skybox Render" 0.43 ms
  - Pipeline "Fairy Sprites" 0.32 ms
  - Pipeline "Shadow Render" 0.01 ms
  - Pipeline "Light Mask Render" 0.00 ms

```
};  
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]]; // depth  
float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light  
};  
  
fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],  
                                texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],  
                                texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)  
                                ]]),  
                                depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)]])  
{  
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0; 0.5%  
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);  
    float3 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent * 4.1%  
        tangent_normal.y;  
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5; 14.8%  
  
    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);  
  
    float shadowCoeff = shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in. 43.8%  
        v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z);  
  
    FragOutput output;  
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;  
  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth)  
        ;  
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;  
  
    return output; 28.6%  
}
```

Shader Profiler



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MetalDeferredLighting — GBuffer.metal
MetalDeferredLighting | Build Failed | Today at 11:28 AM
gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]], texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]], texture2d<float> diffus...

struct FragOutput
{
    float4 fragment_output_gbuffer0 [[ color(0) ]]; // albedo/final
    float4 fragment_output_gbuffer1 [[ color(1) ]]; // normal
    float4 fragment_output_gbuffer2 [[ color(2) ]]; // depth
    float4 fragment_output_gbuffer3 [[ color(3) ]]; // light
};

fragment FragOutput gBufferFrag(VertexOutput in [[stage_in]], constant float4 &clear_color_gbuffer3 [[buffer(0)]],
    texture2d<float> bump_texture [[texture(0)]], sampler bump_sampler [[sampler(0)]],
    texture2d<float> diffuse_texture [[texture(1)]], sampler diffuse_sampler [[sampler(1)]],
    depth2d<float> shadow_texture [[texture(2)])
{
    float3 tangent_normal = bump_texture.sample(bump_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy).xyz * 2.0 - 1.0;
    float4 diffuse_color = diffuse_texture.sample(diffuse_sampler, in.v_texcoord.xy);
    float4 world_normal = in.v_normal * tangent_normal.z + in.v_tangent * tangent_normal.x - in.v_bitangent *
        tangent_normal.y;
    float scale = rsqrt(dot(world_normal, world_normal)) * 0.5;
    const sampler shadow_sampler(coord::normalized, filter::linear, address::clamp_to_edge, compare_func::less);
    const char kSampleXCount = 4.1;
    const char kSampleYCount = 4;
    float sum = 0;

    for (char dy = -kSampleYCount/2; dy < kSampleYCount/2; ++dy)
    {
        for (char dx = -kSampleXCount/2; dx < kSampleXCount/2; ++dx)
        {
            sum += shadow_texture.sample_compare(shadow_sampler, in.v_shadowcoord.xy, in.v_shadowcoord.z, char2(dx, dy));
        }
    }

    float shadowCoeff = sum / ((float)kSampleXCount * kSampleYCount);

    FragOutput output;
    world_normal = world_normal * scale + 0.5;

    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.rgb = diffuse_color.rgb;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer0.a = shadowCoeff;
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer1 = float4(world_normal.x, world_normal.y, world_normal.z, 1.0);
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer2 = float4(in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth, in.v_lineardepth);
    output.fragment_output_gbuffer3 = clear_color_gbuffer3;
};
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By File | By Type

MetalDeferredLighting  
2 issues

- GBuffer.metal  
Semantic Issue  
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- Value Conversion Issue  
Implicit conversion from 'double' to 'char' changes value from 4.1 to 4

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*Demo*

“The Collectables” on Metal

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- Working with Metal—Fundamentals Pacific Heights Wednesday 10:15AM
  - Working with Metal—Advanced Pacific Heights Wednesday 11:30AM
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# Labs

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- Metal Lab Graphics and Games Lab A Wednesday 2:00PM
  - Metal Lab Graphics and Games Lab B Thursday 10:15AM
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