

# Modern User Interaction on iOS

## Mastering the UIKit UIGestureRecognizer System

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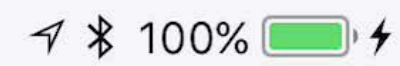
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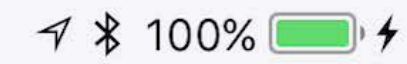


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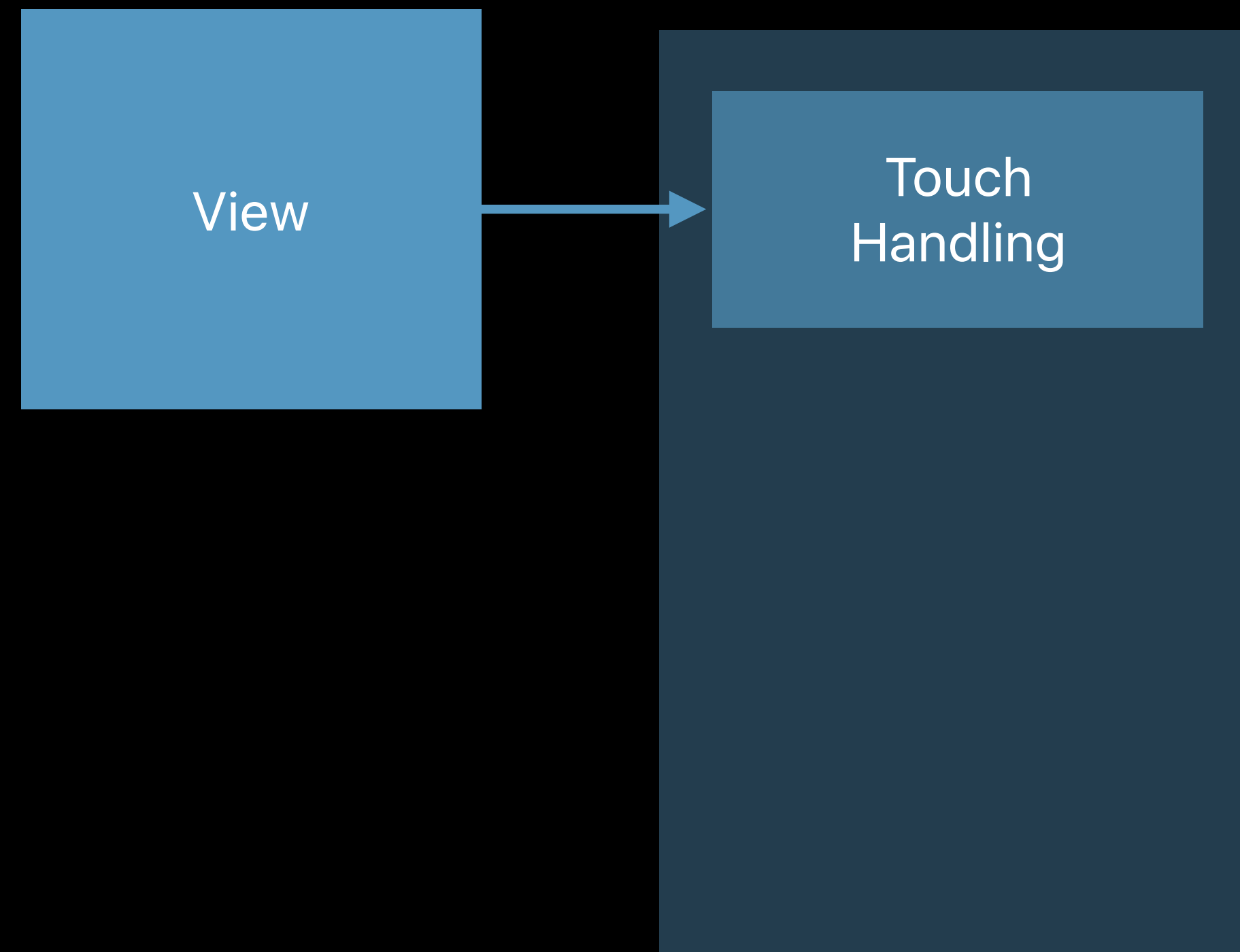
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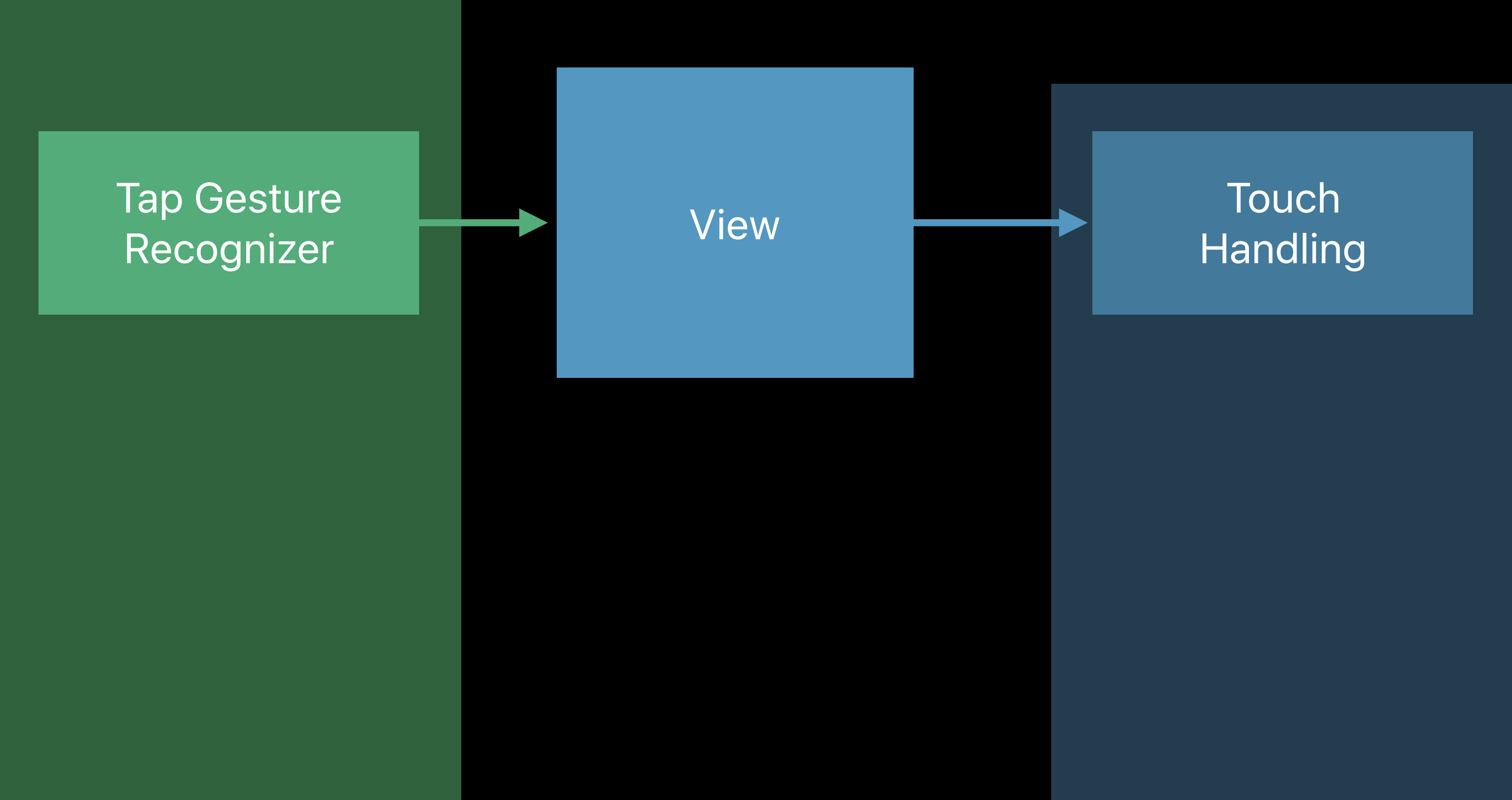
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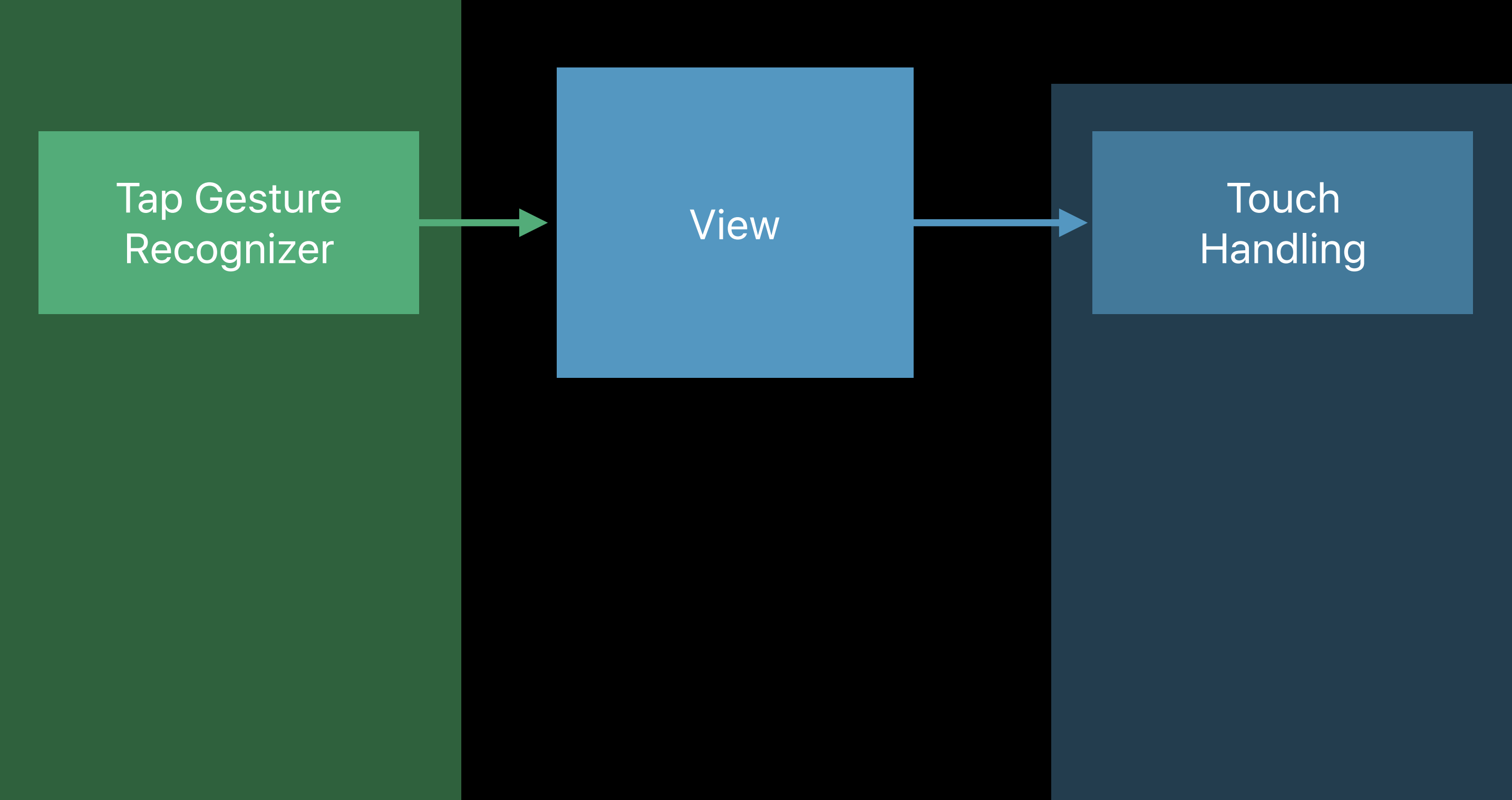


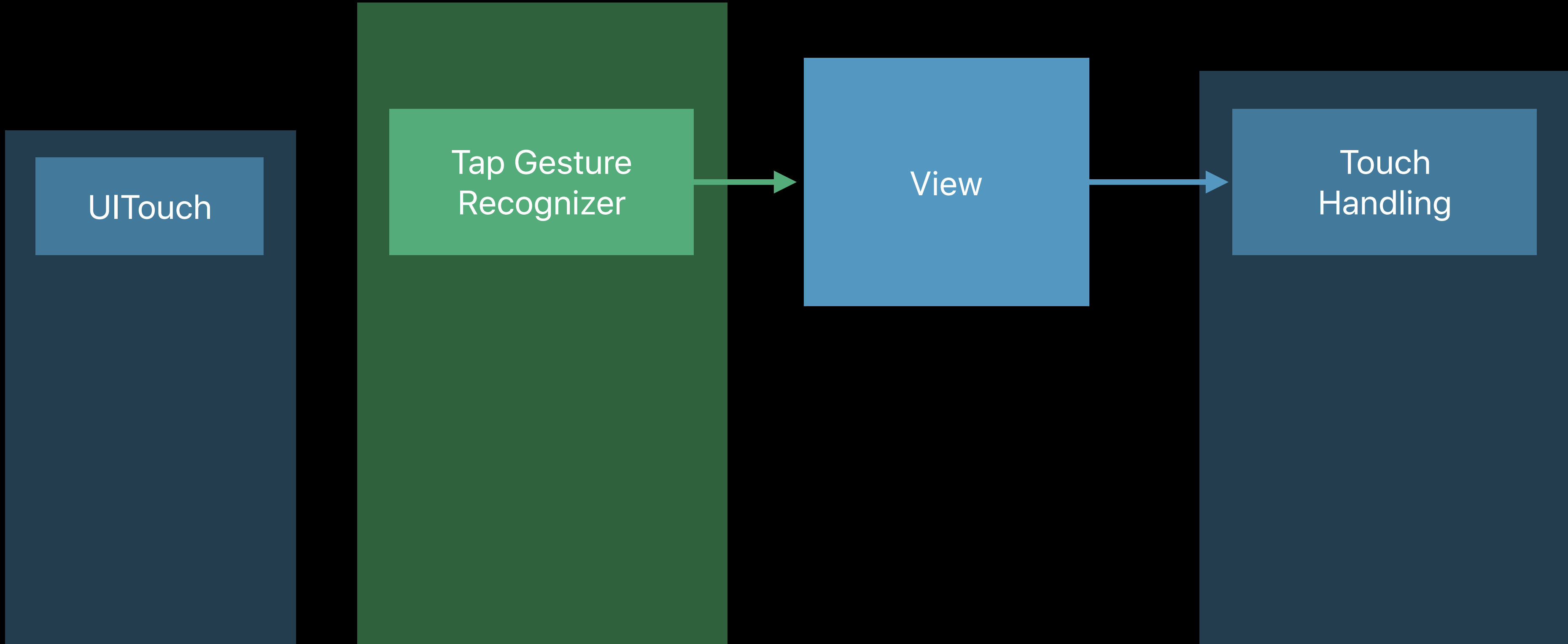
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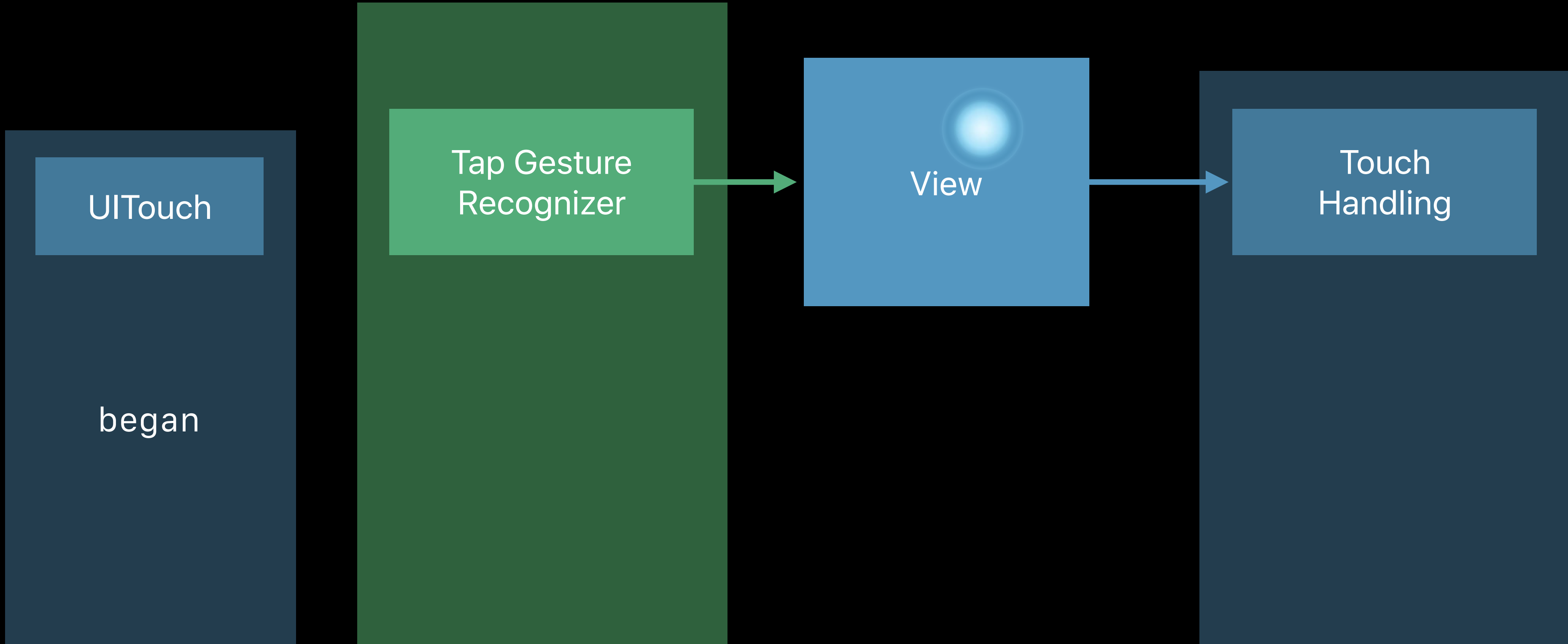
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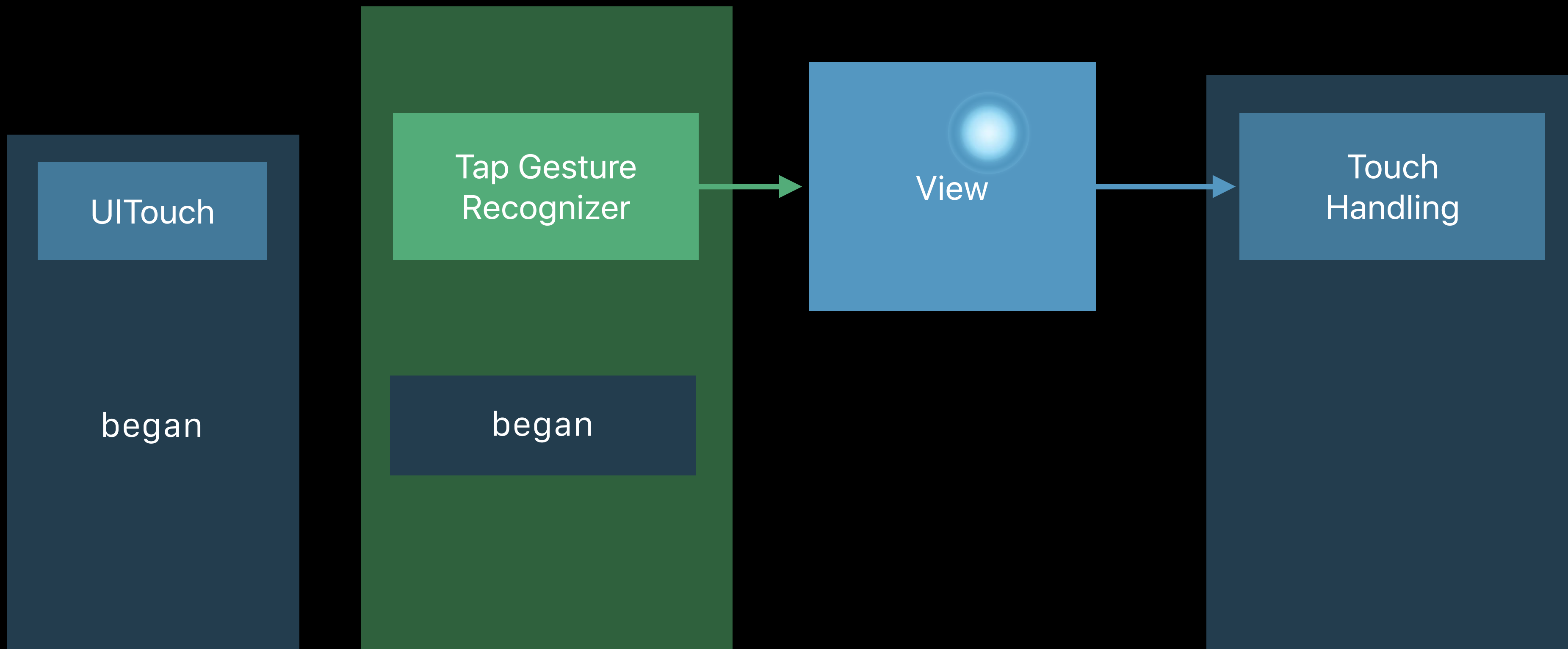




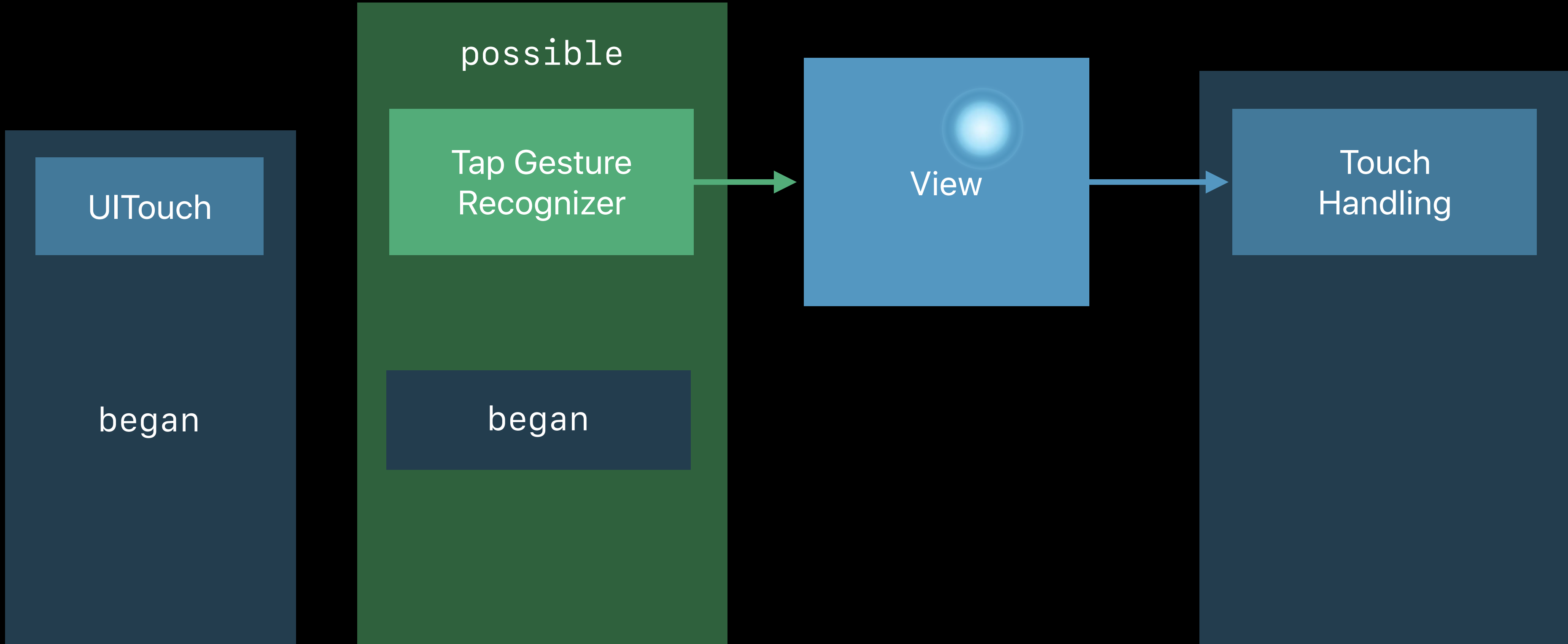


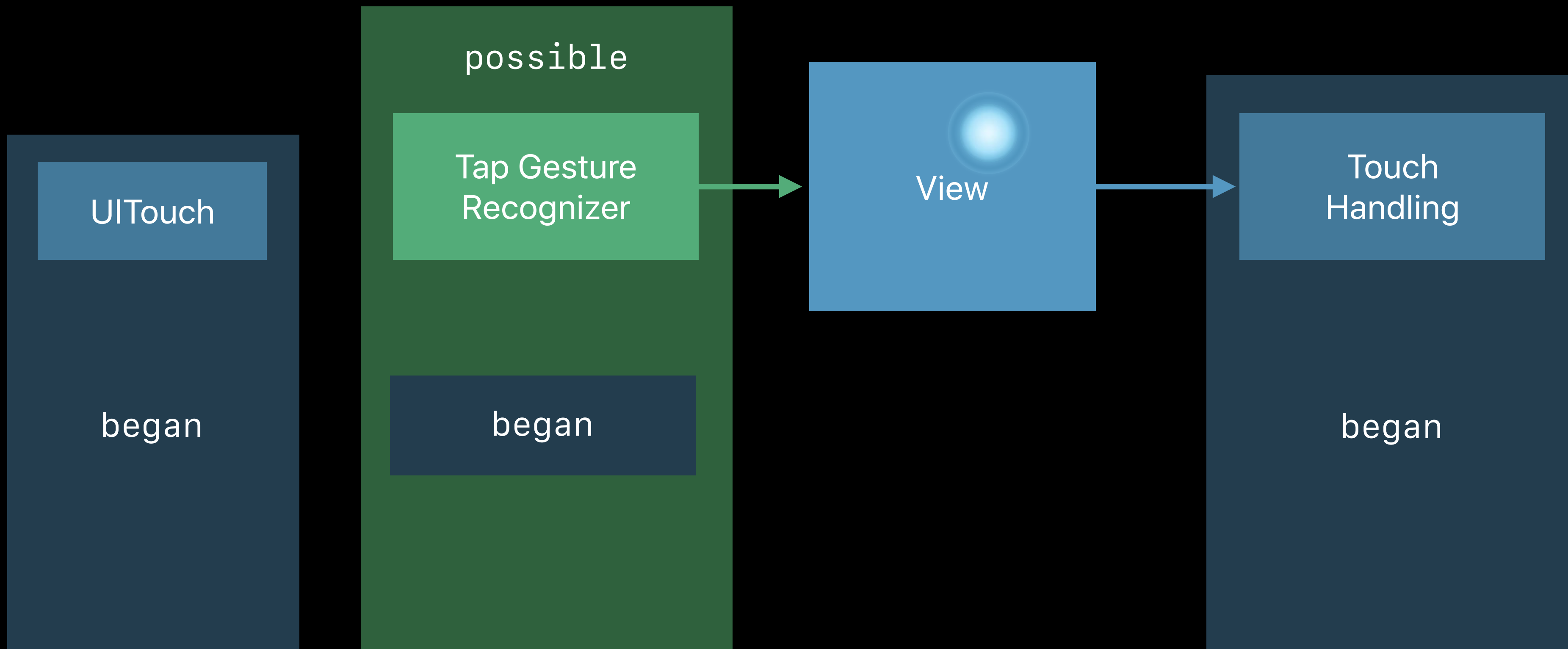


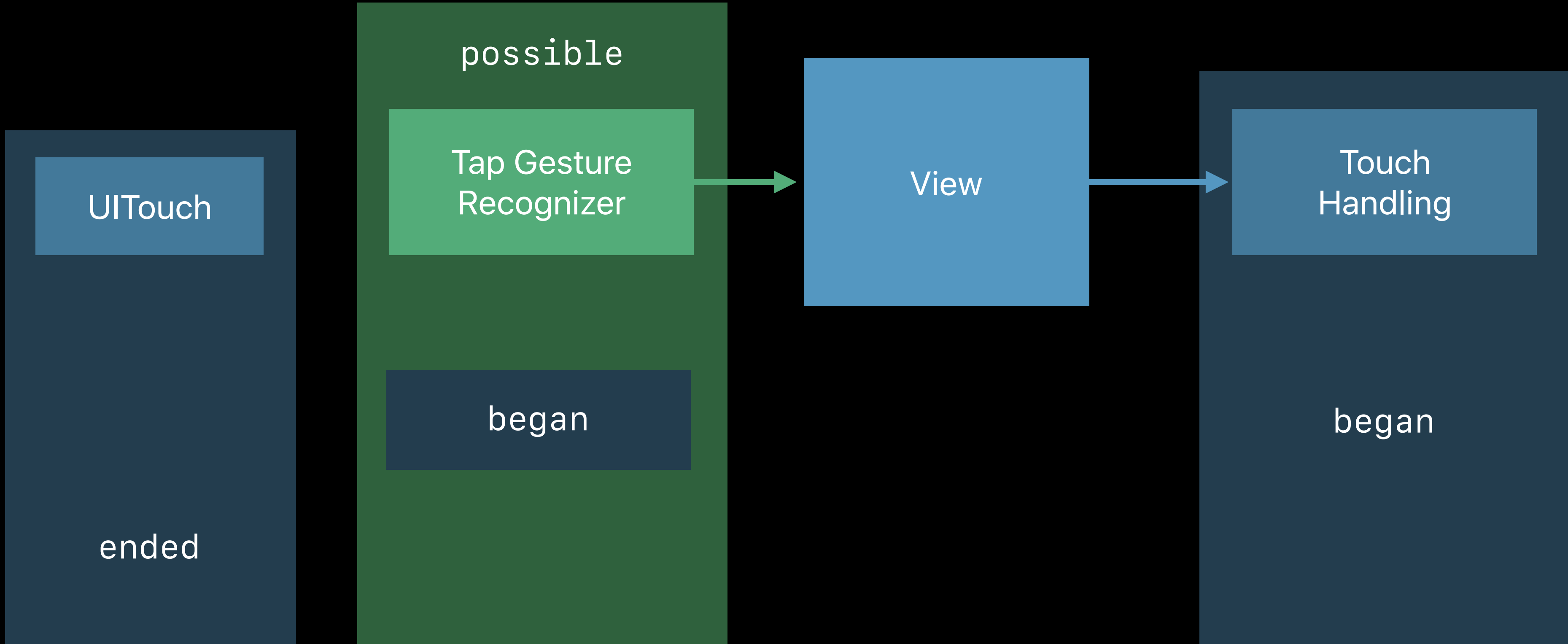


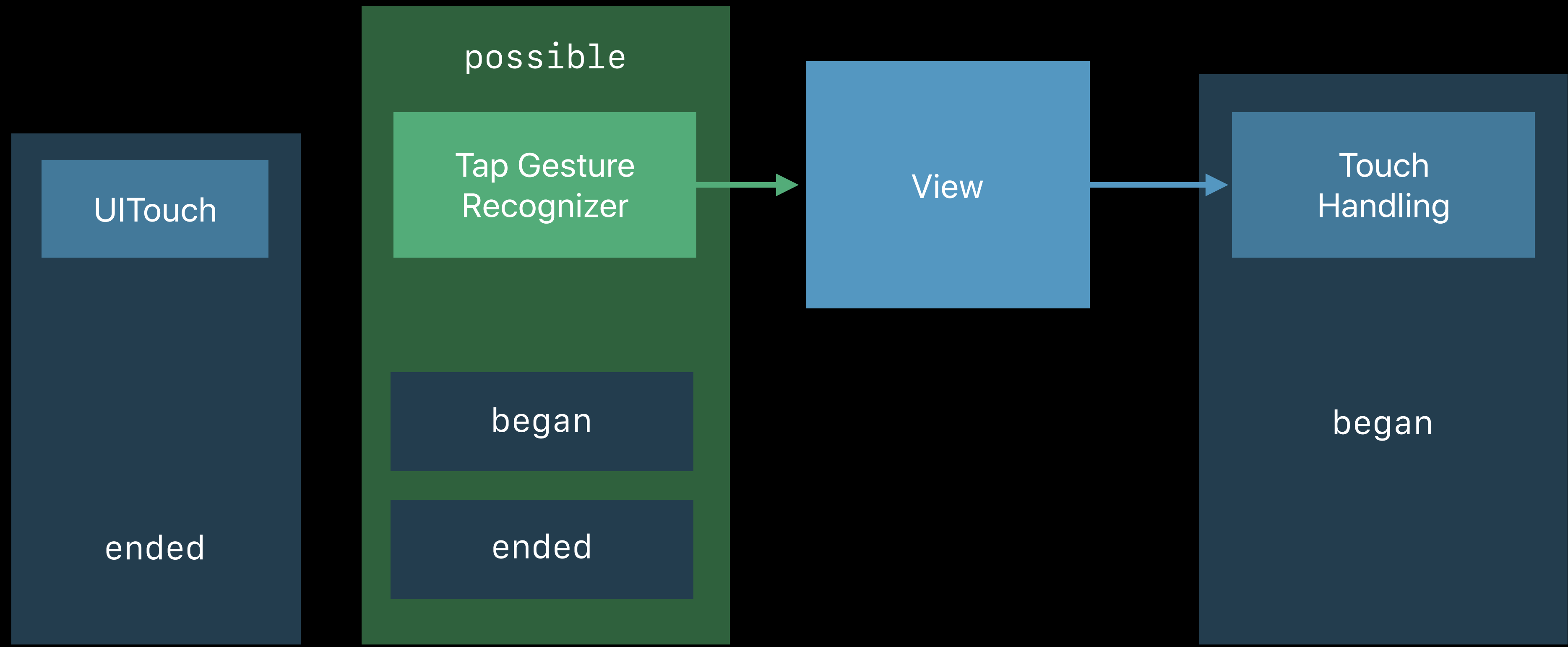


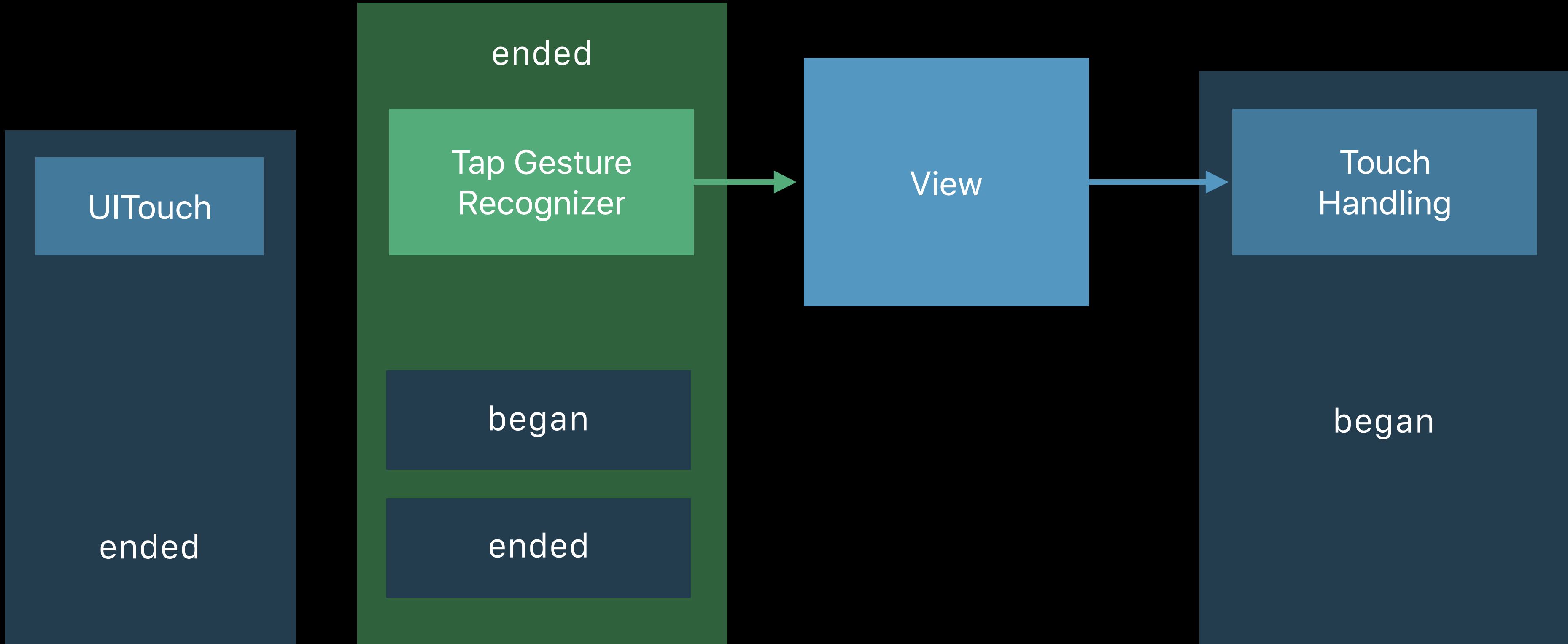


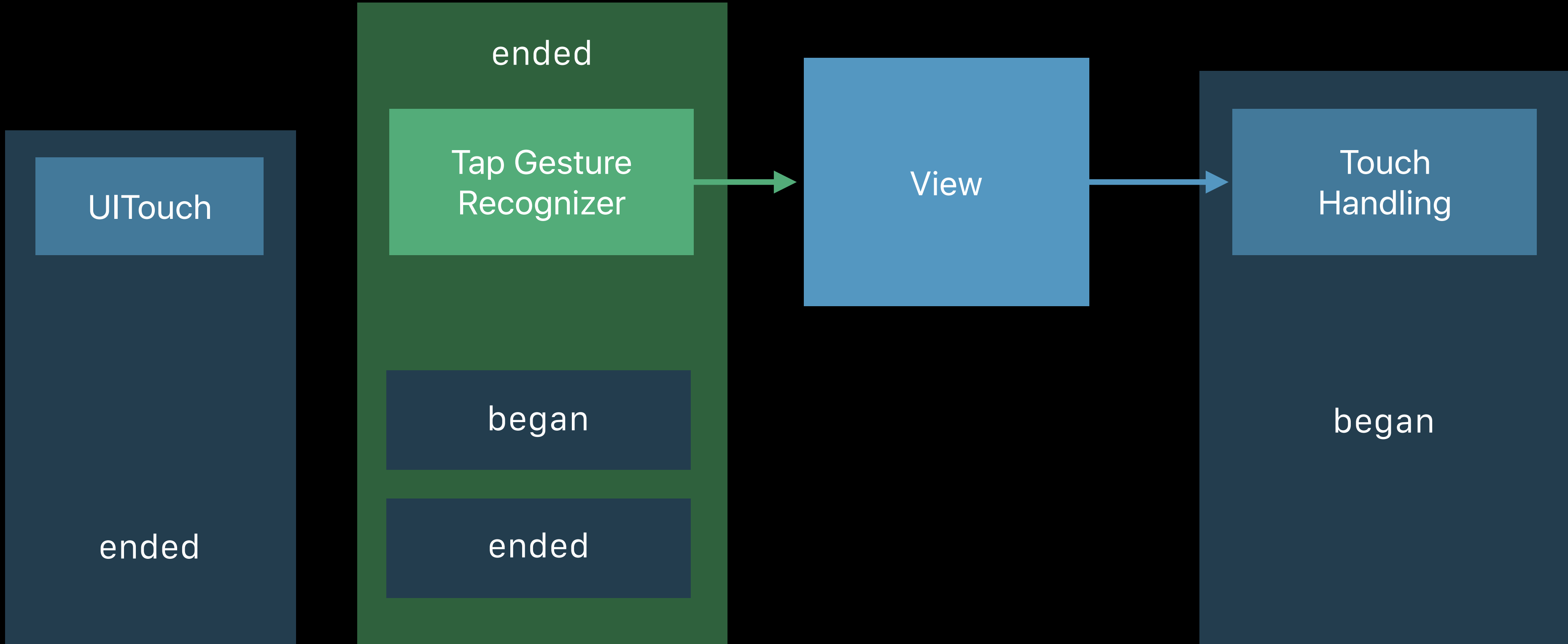


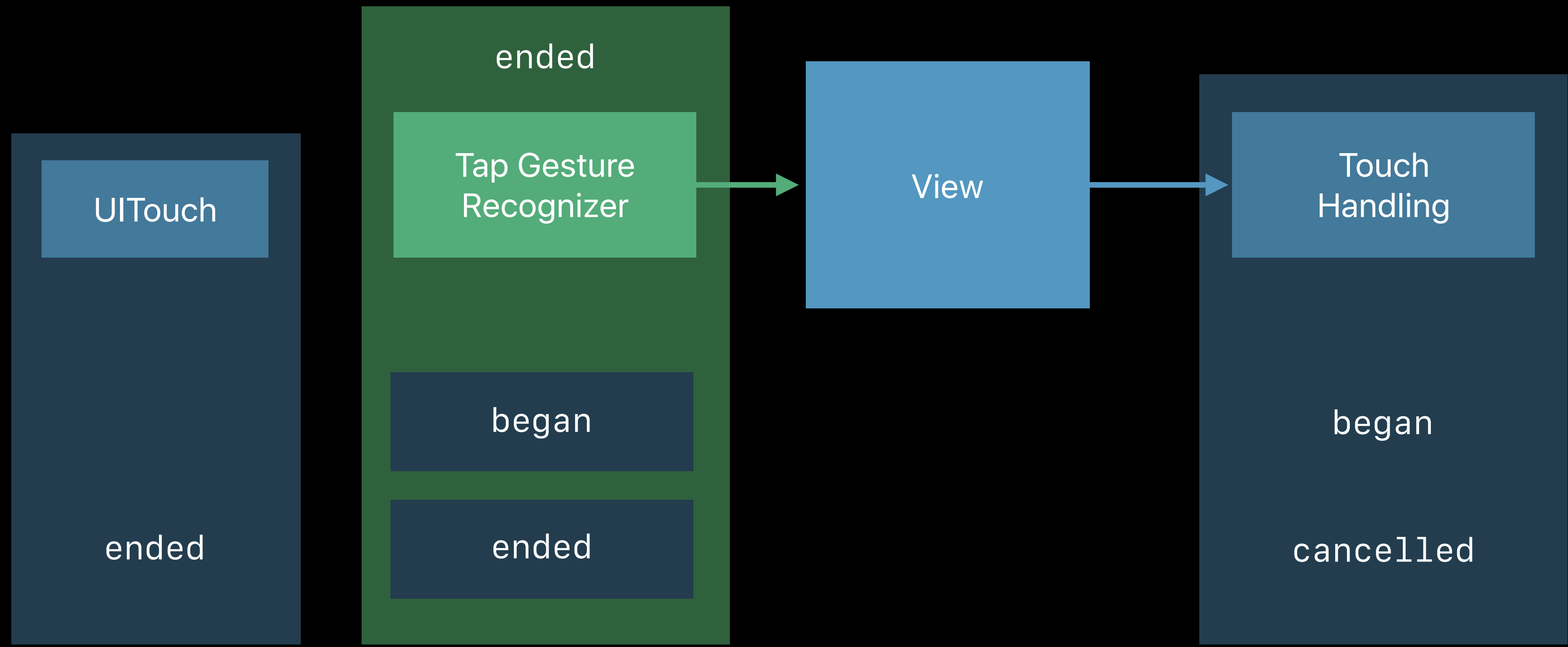












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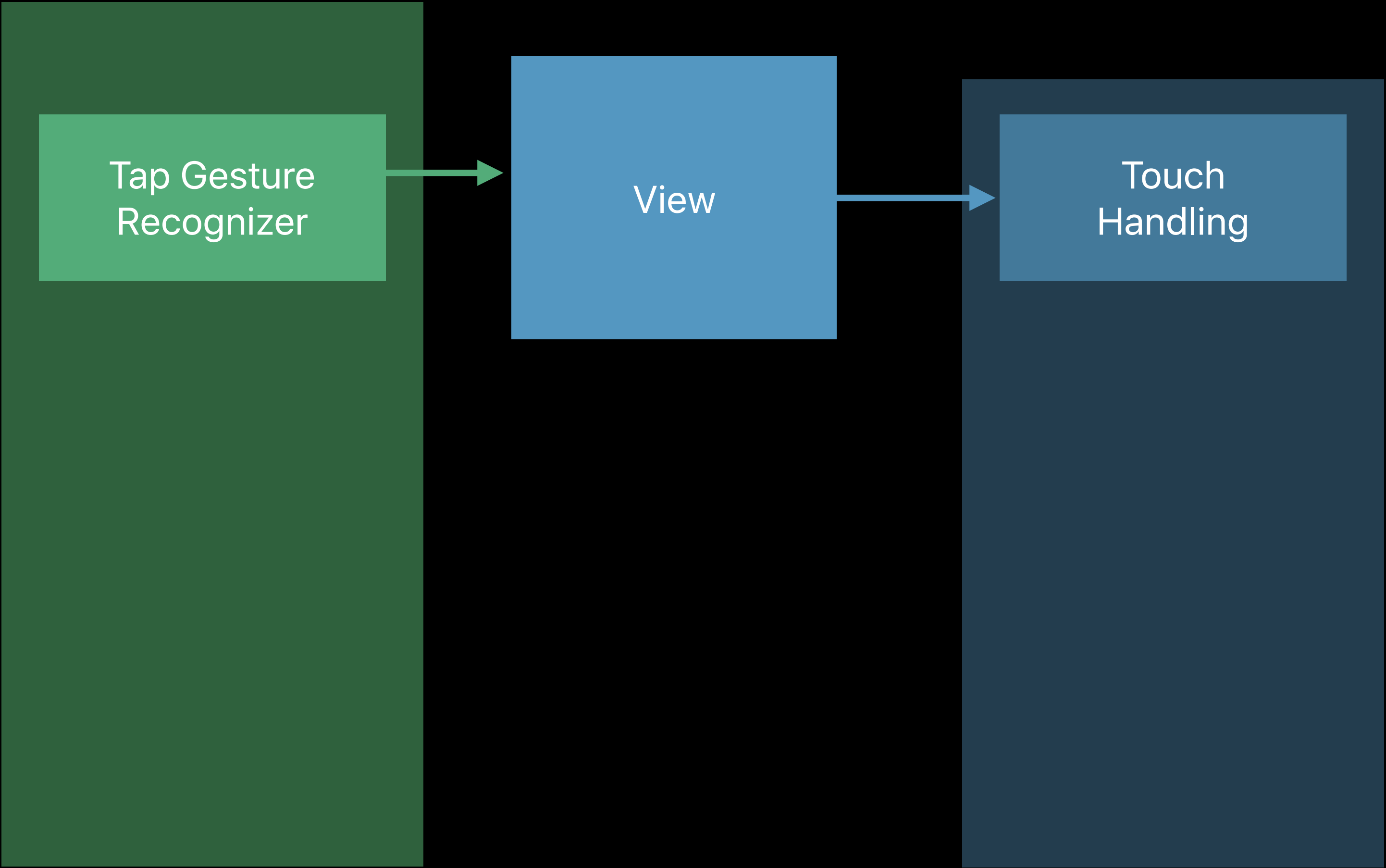
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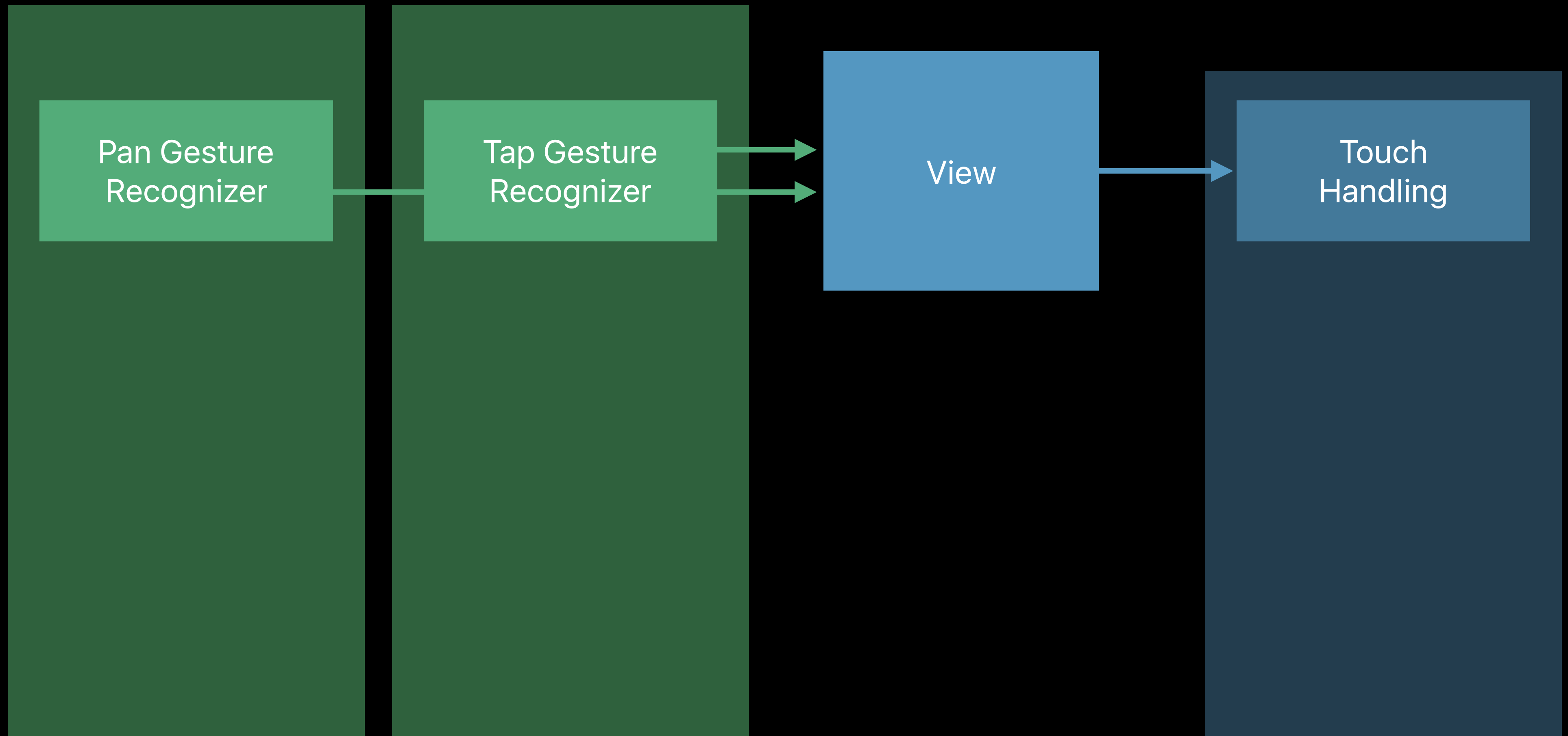
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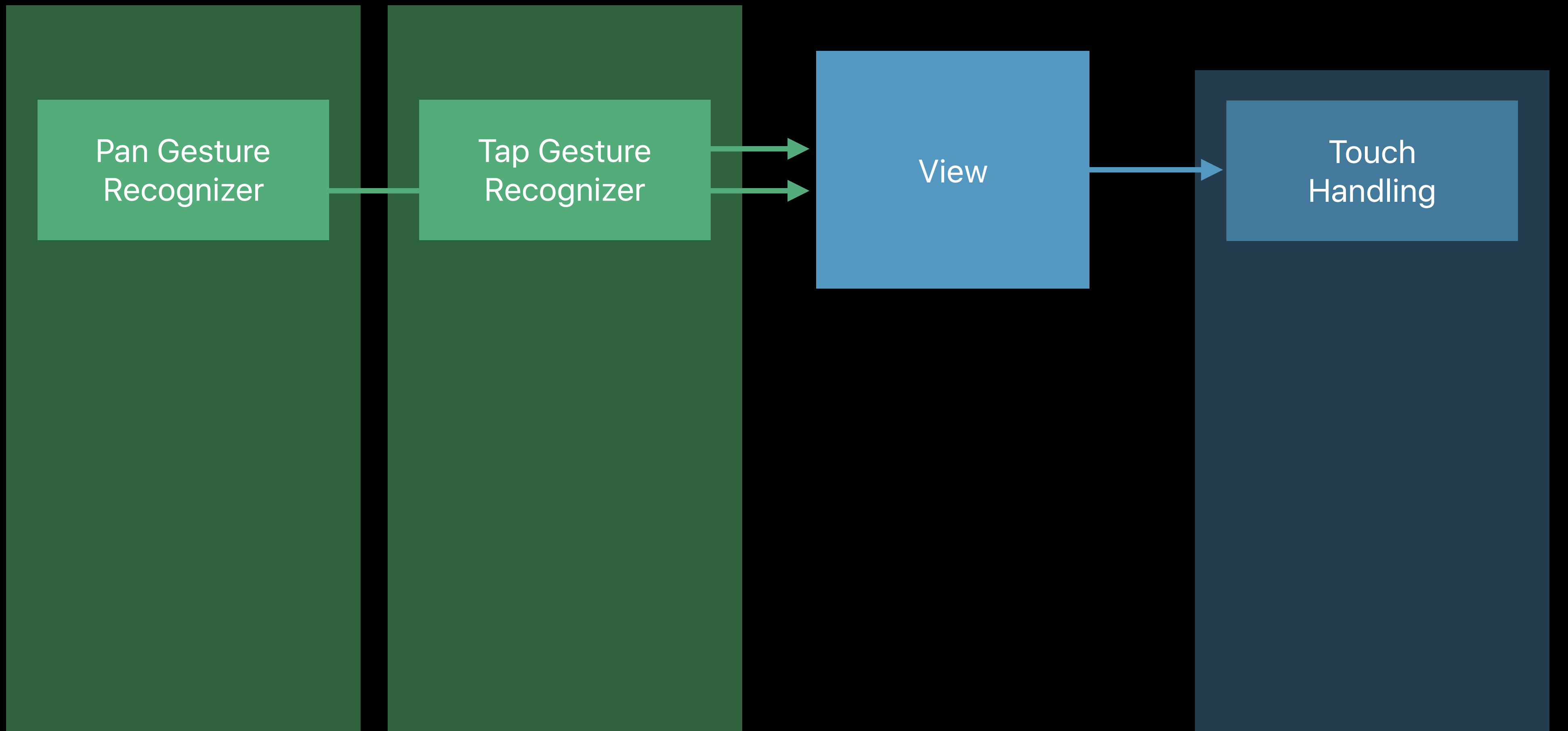
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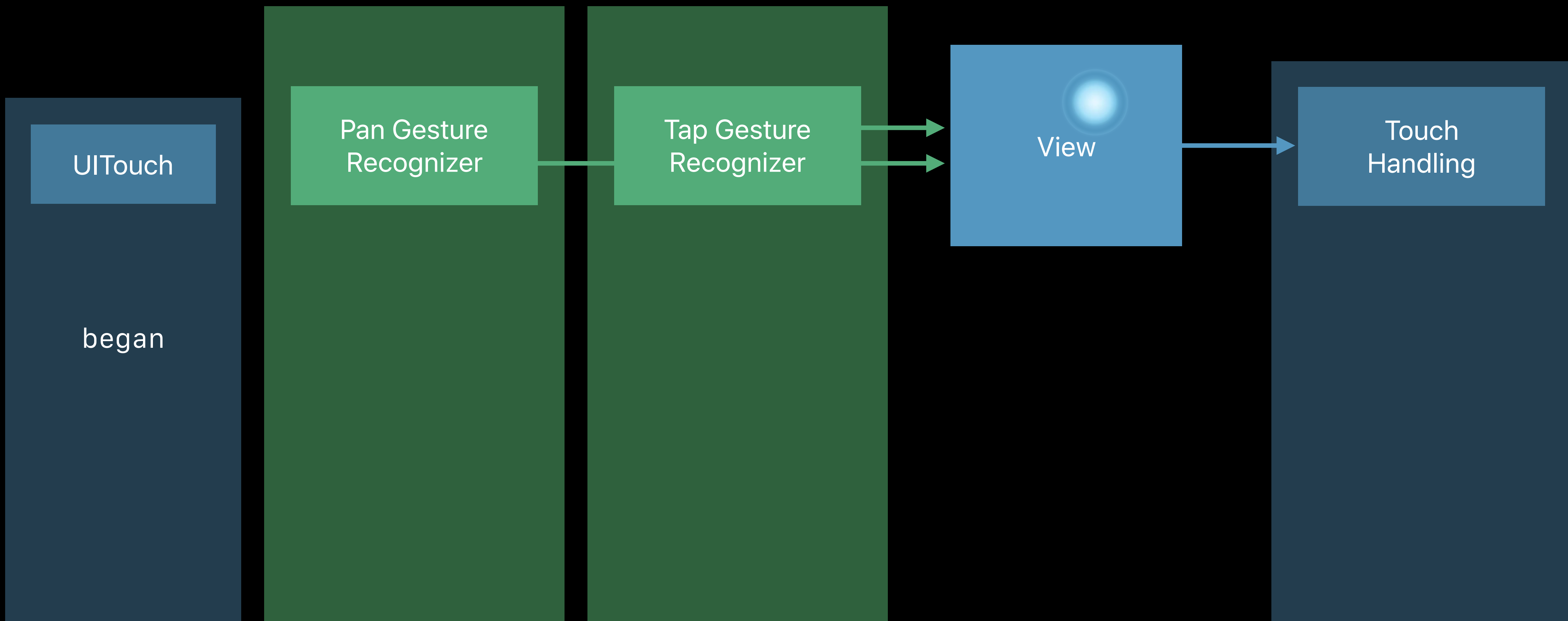
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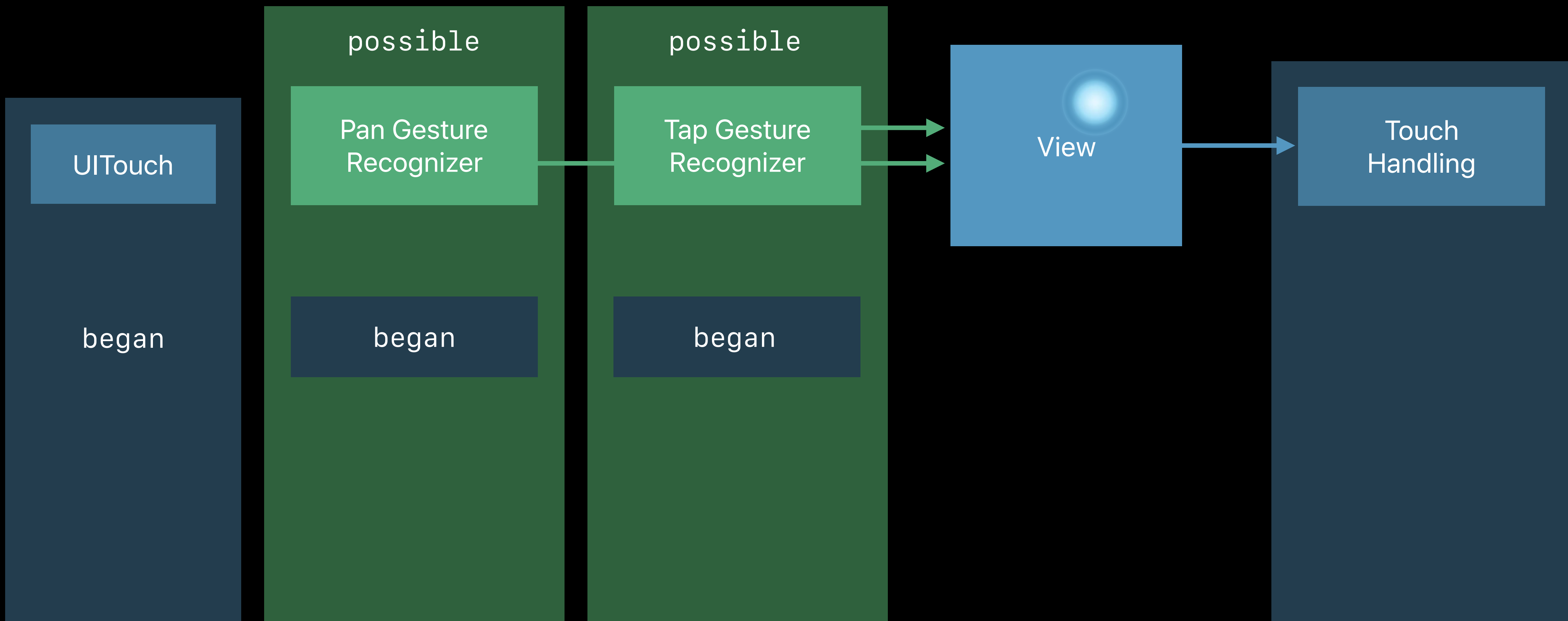
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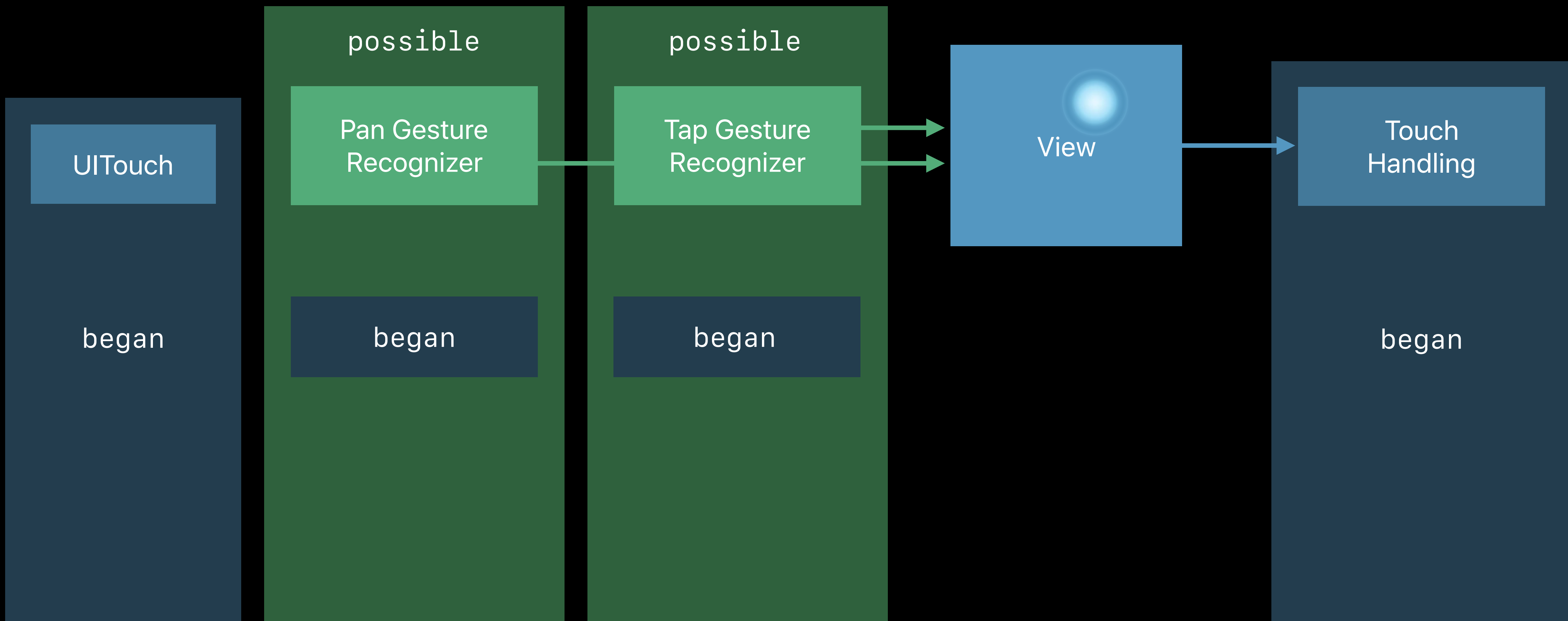




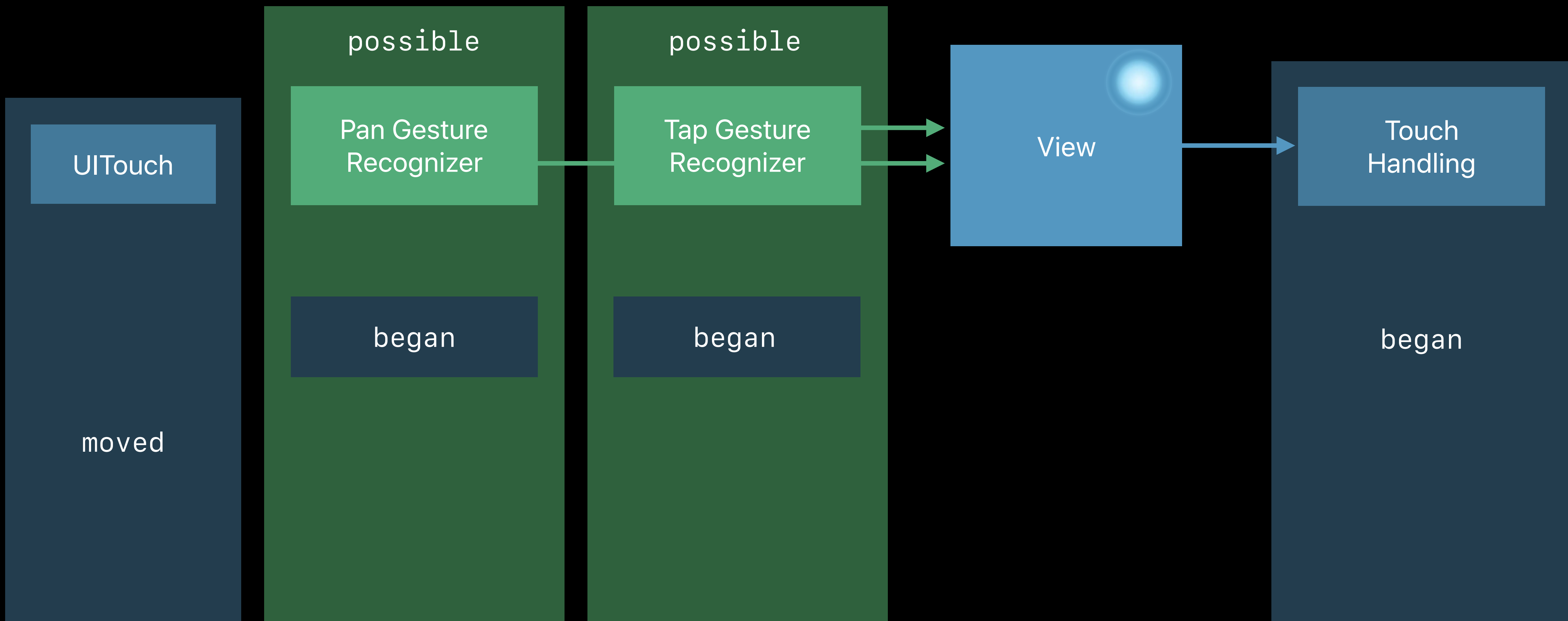


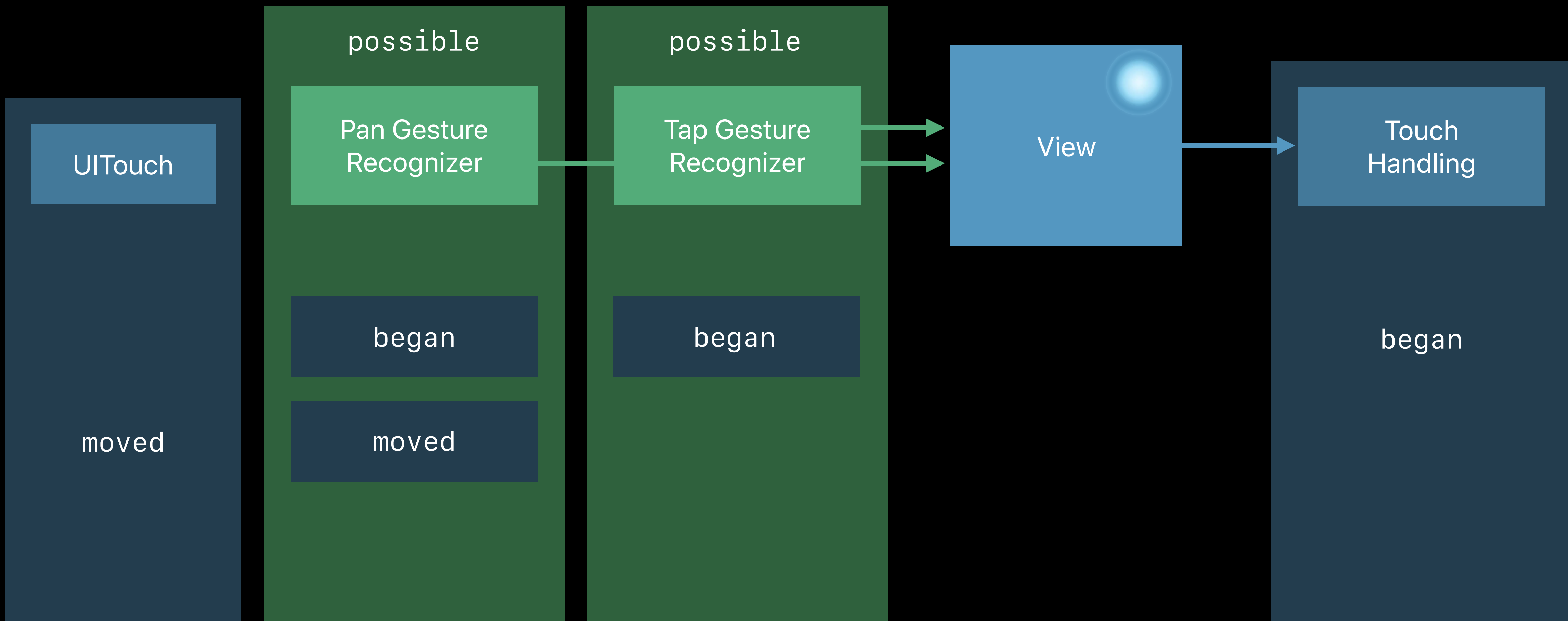


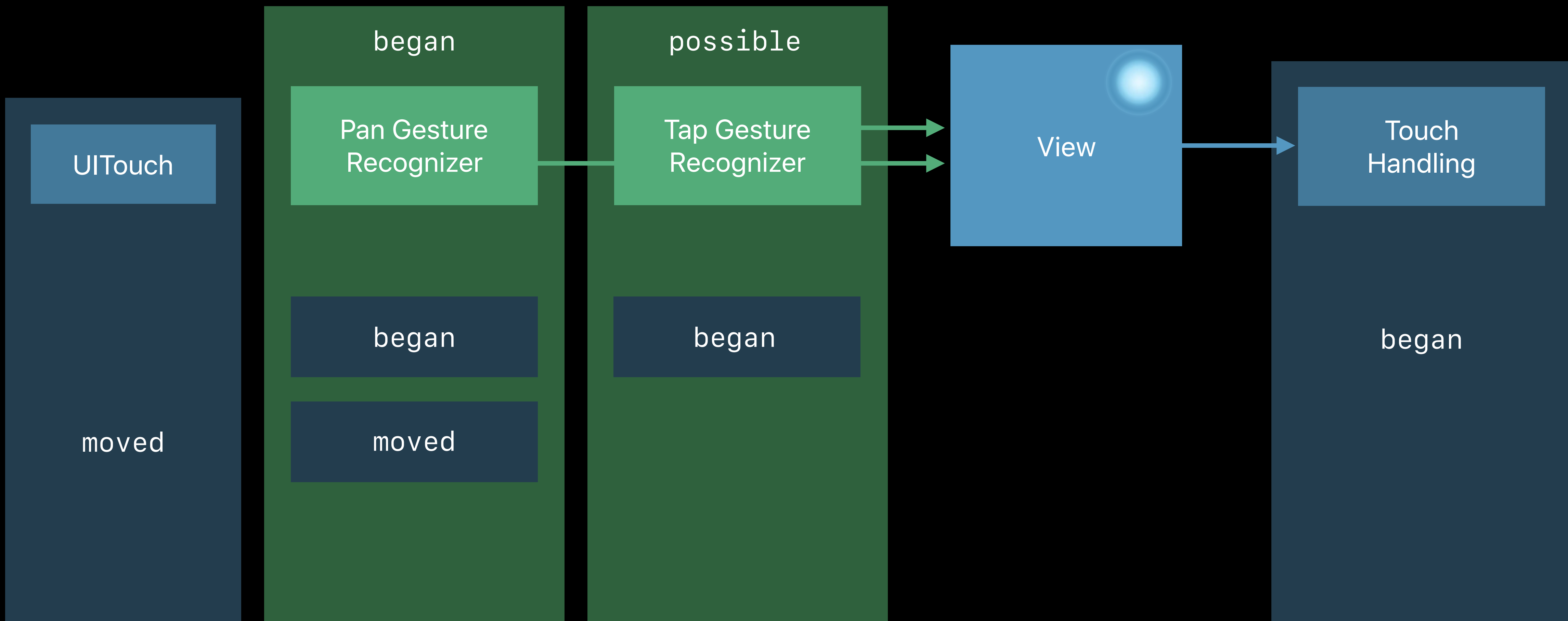


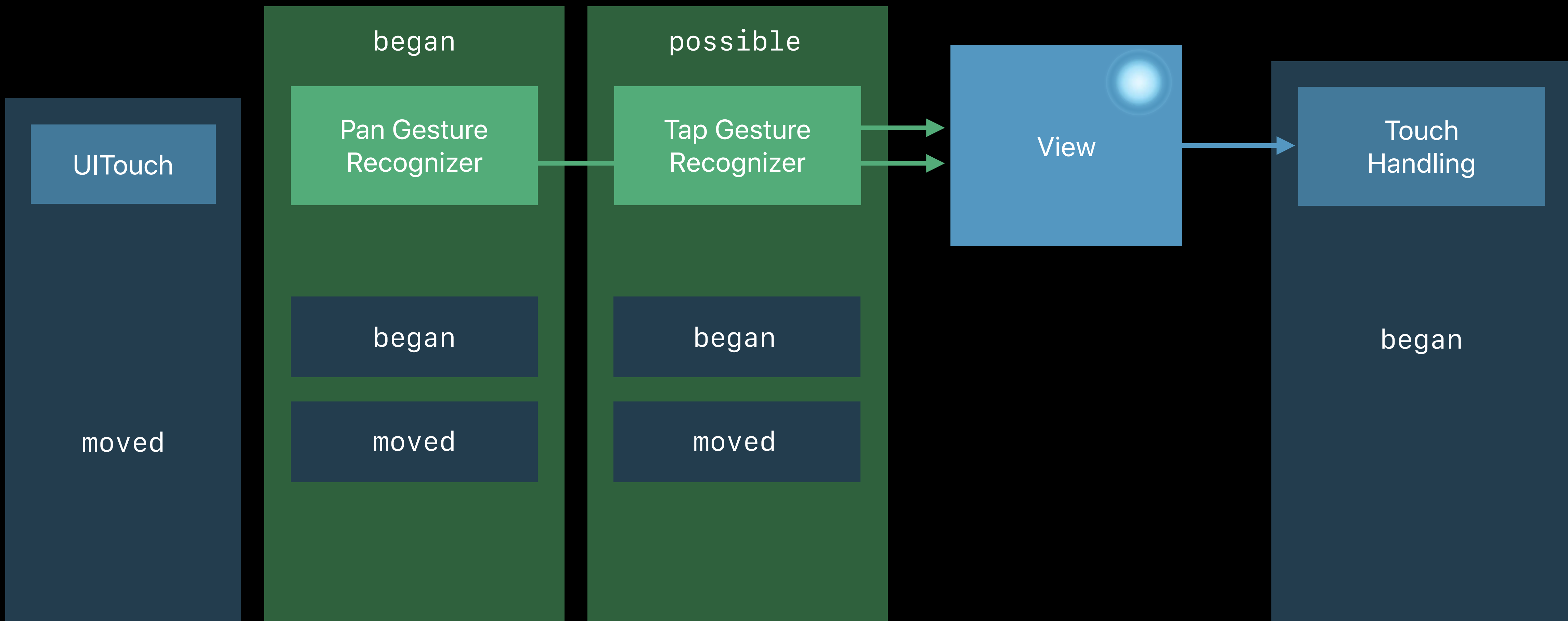


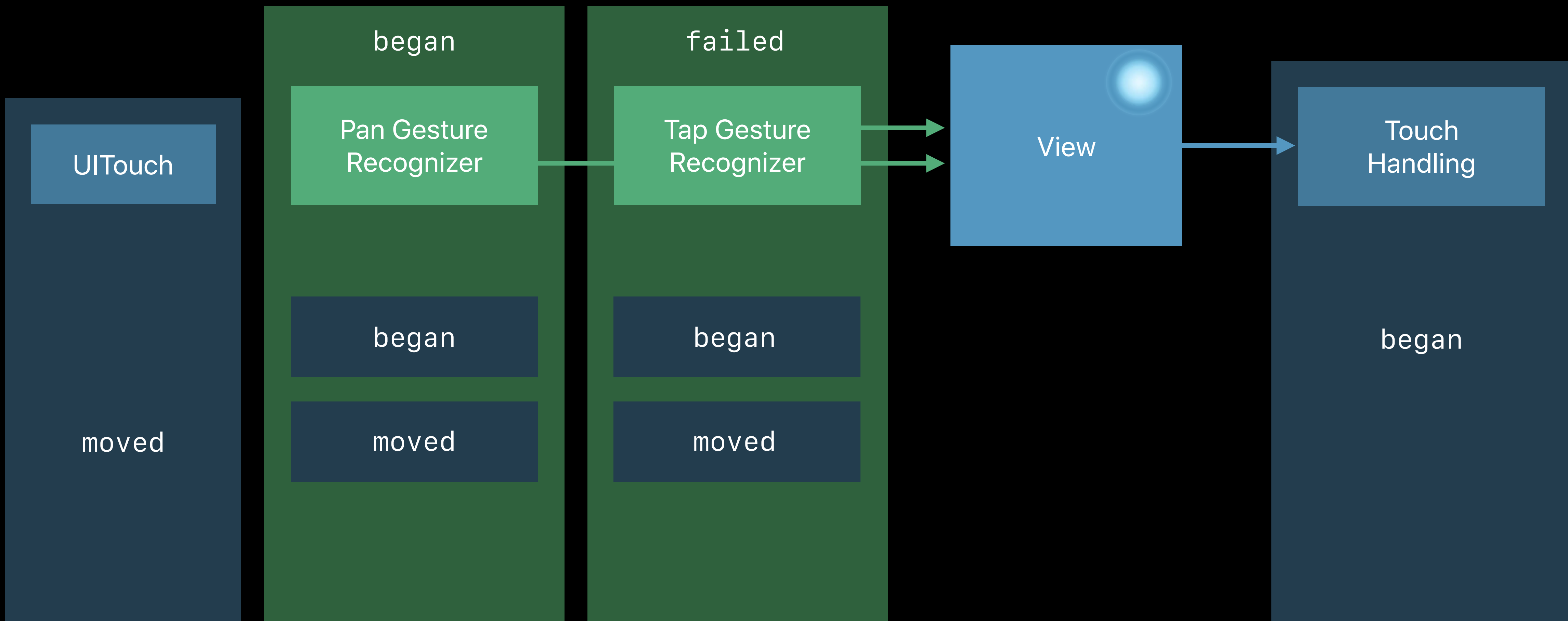


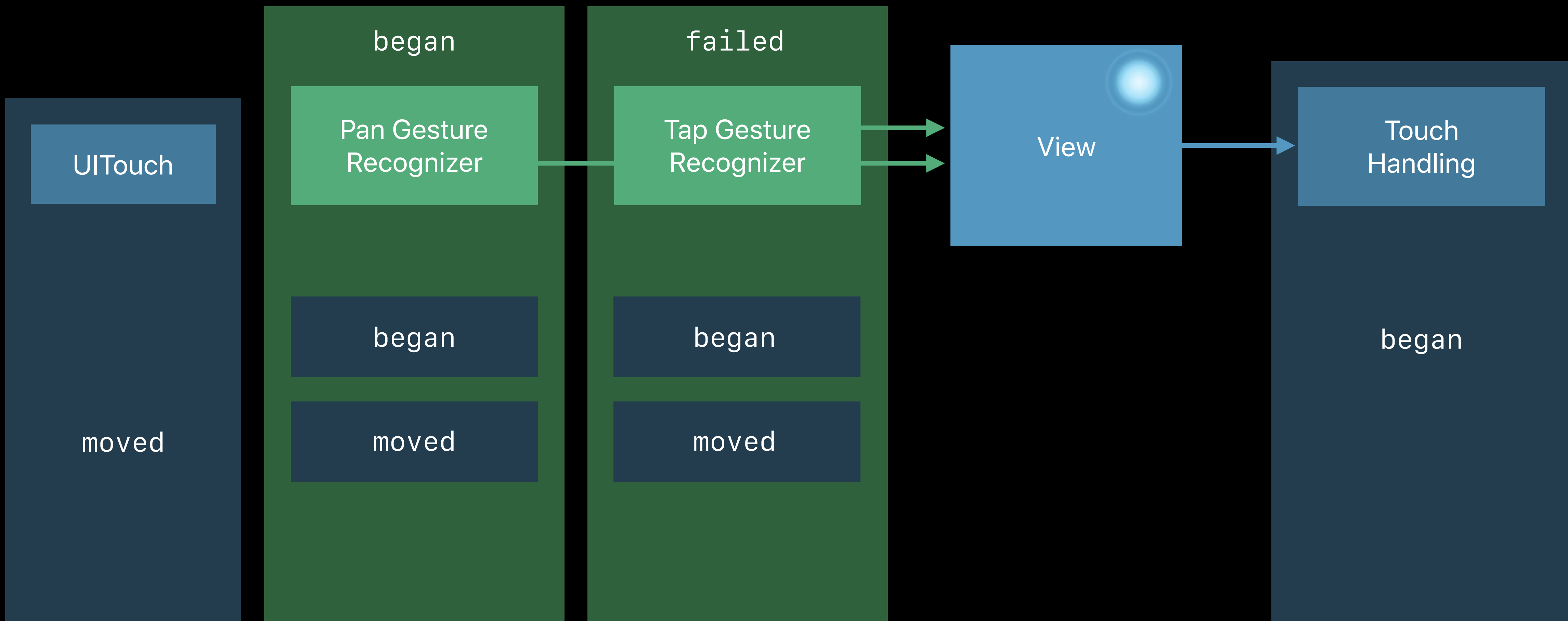


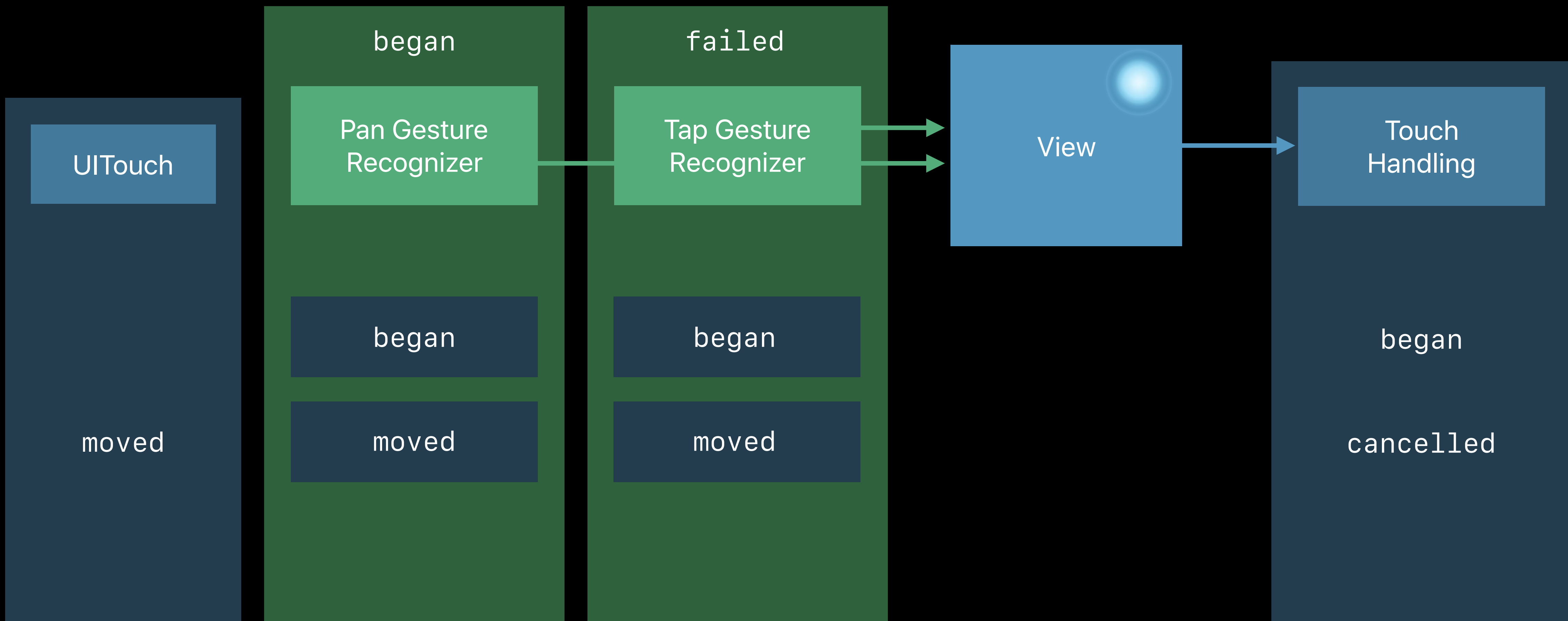


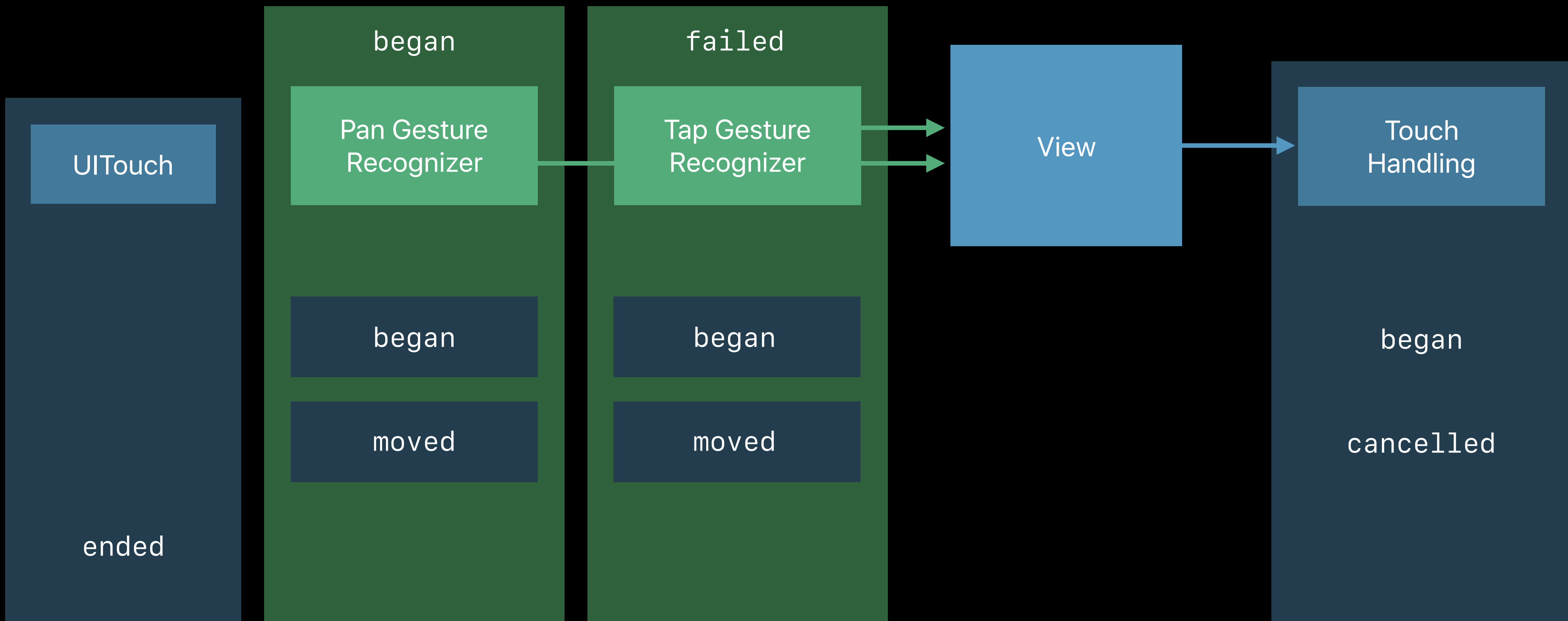




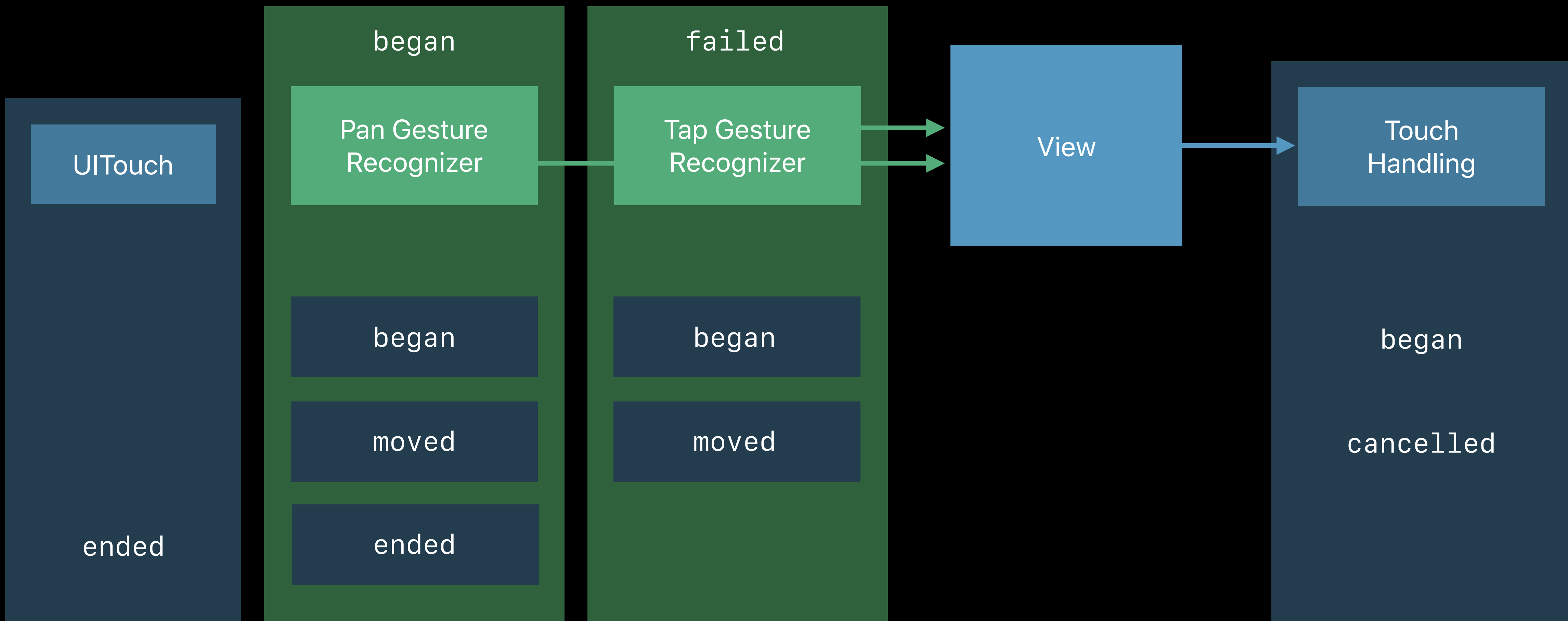


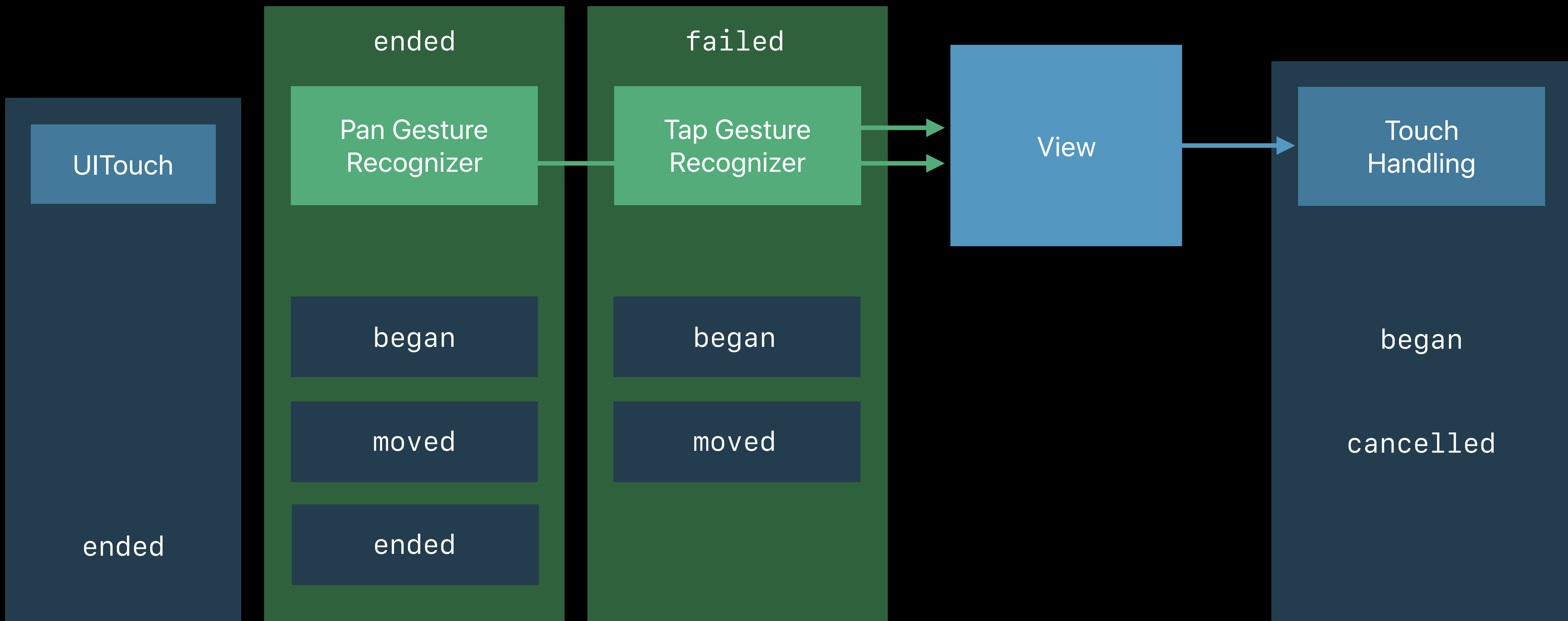


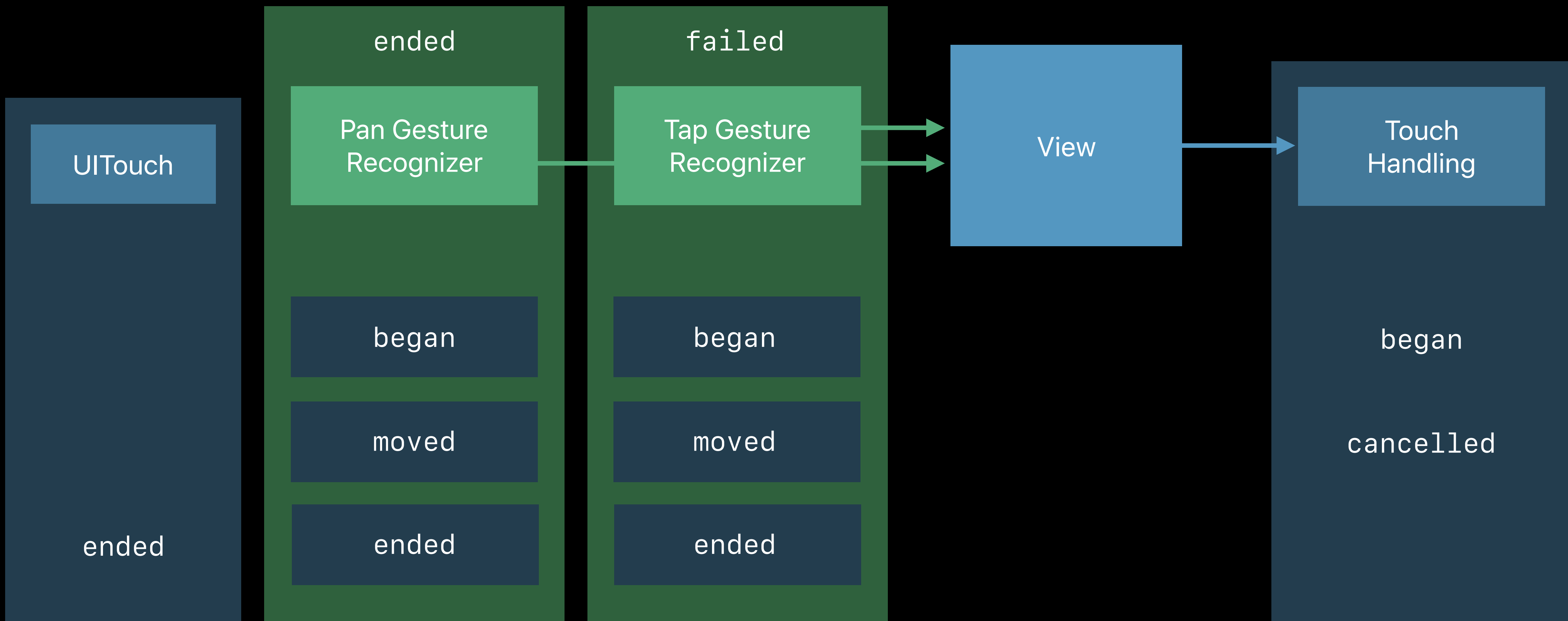


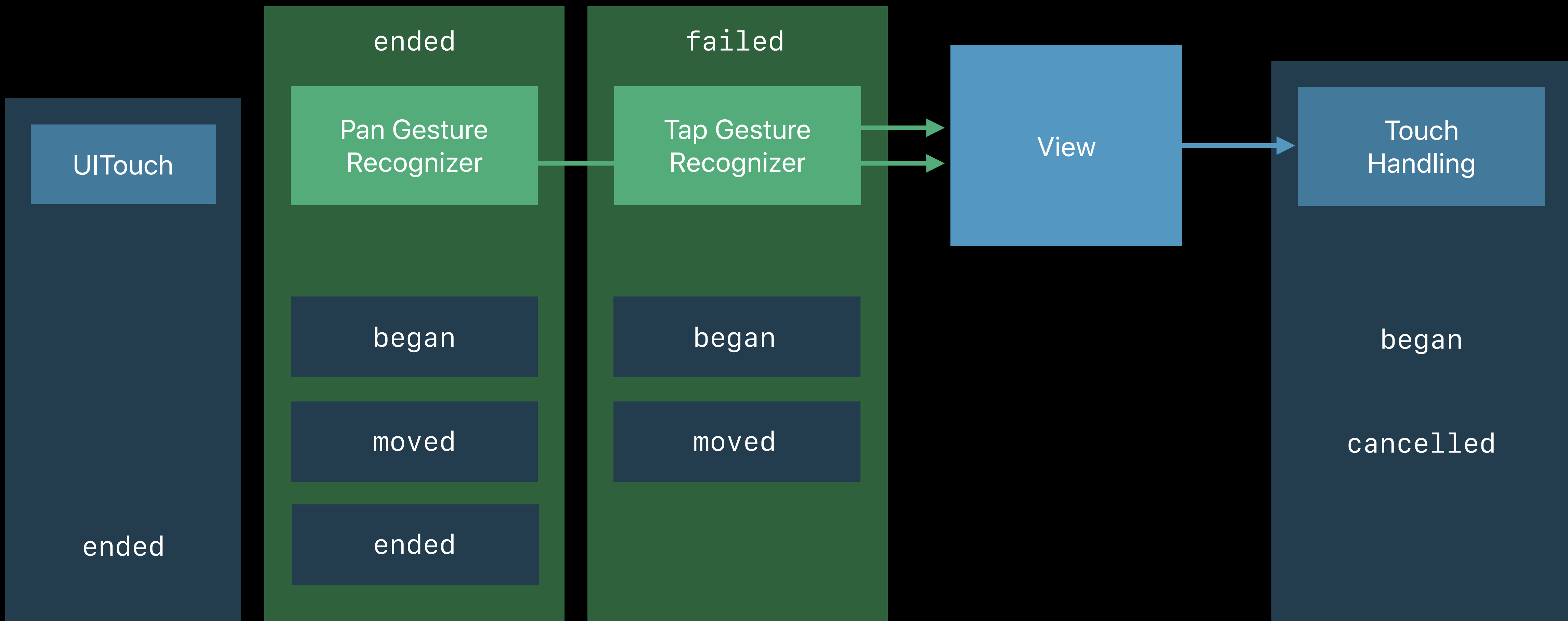


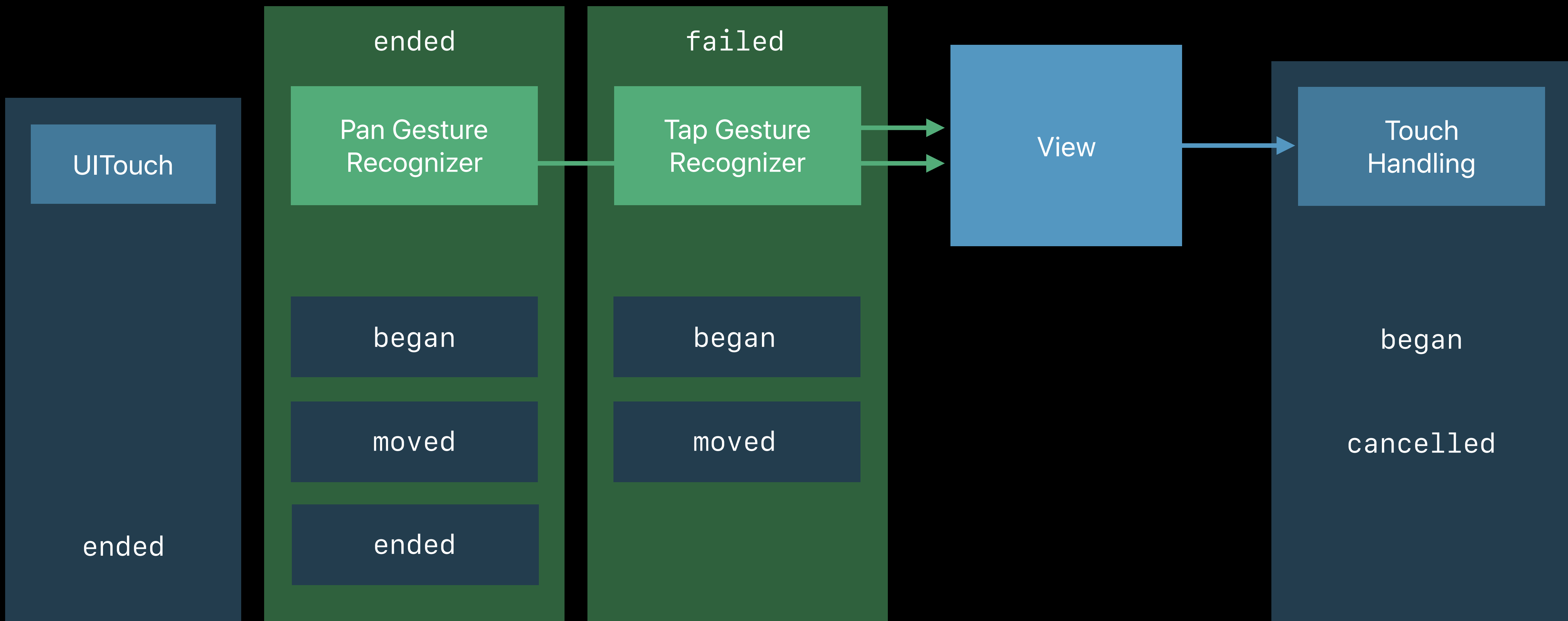












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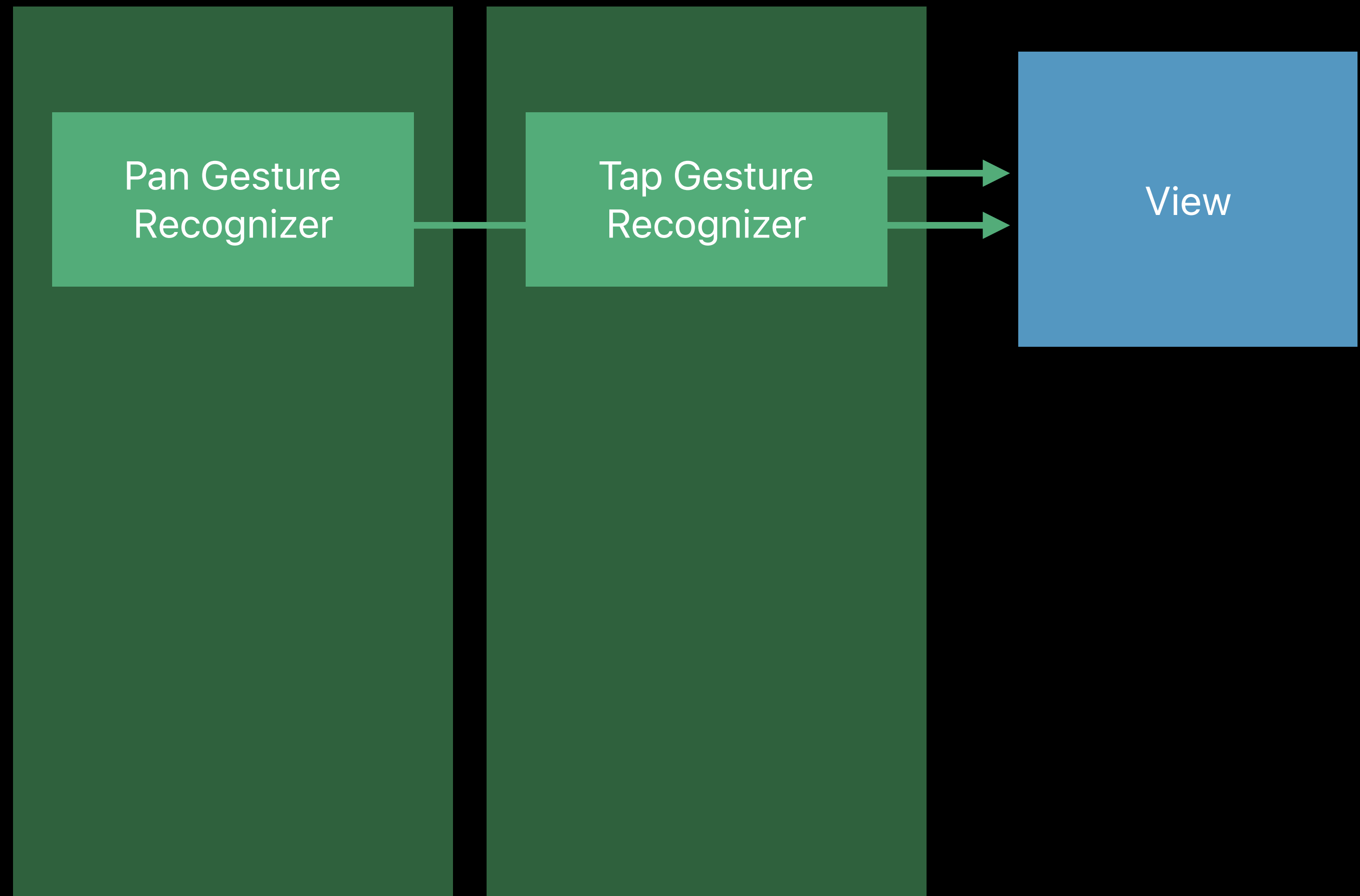
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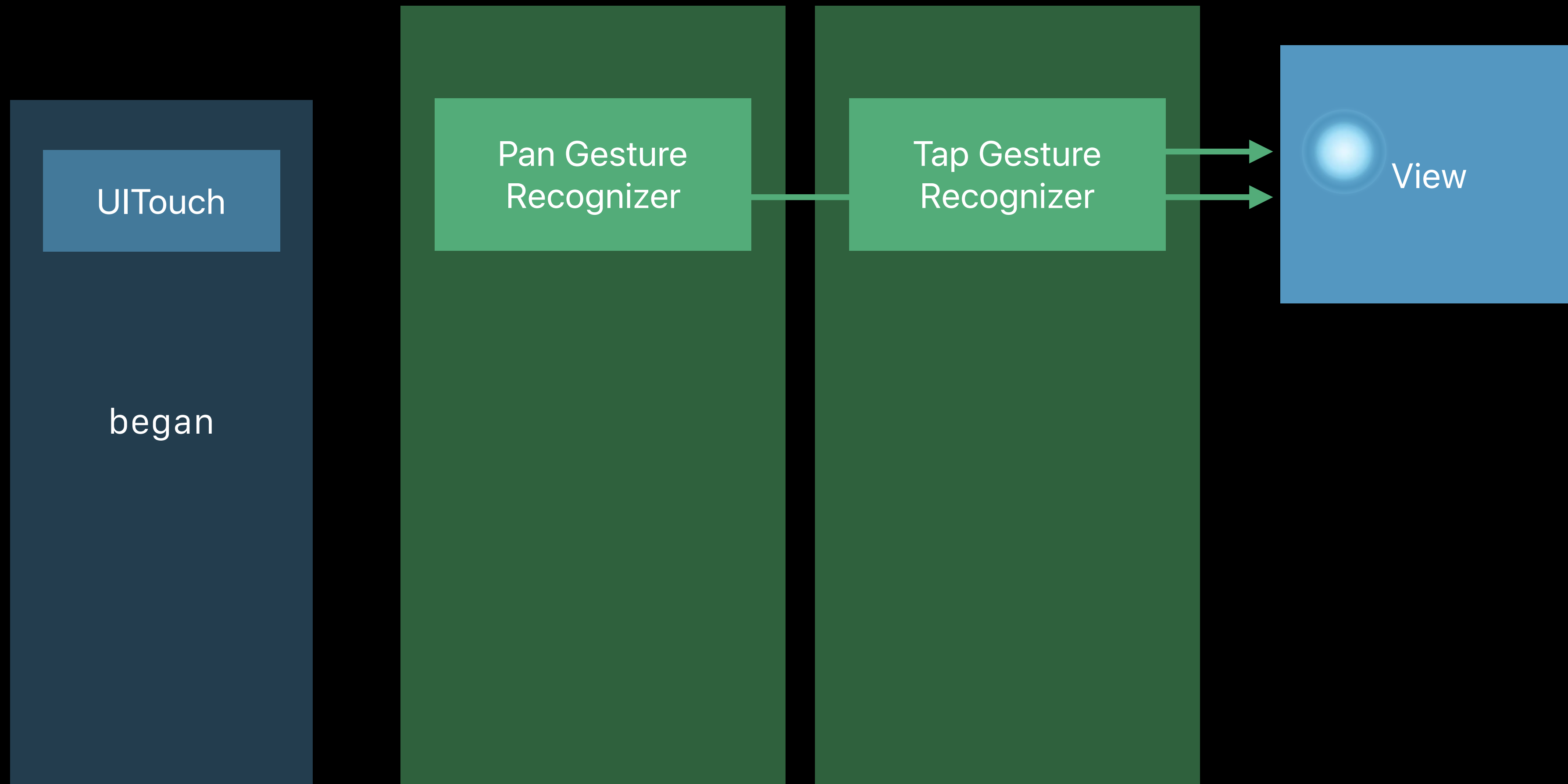
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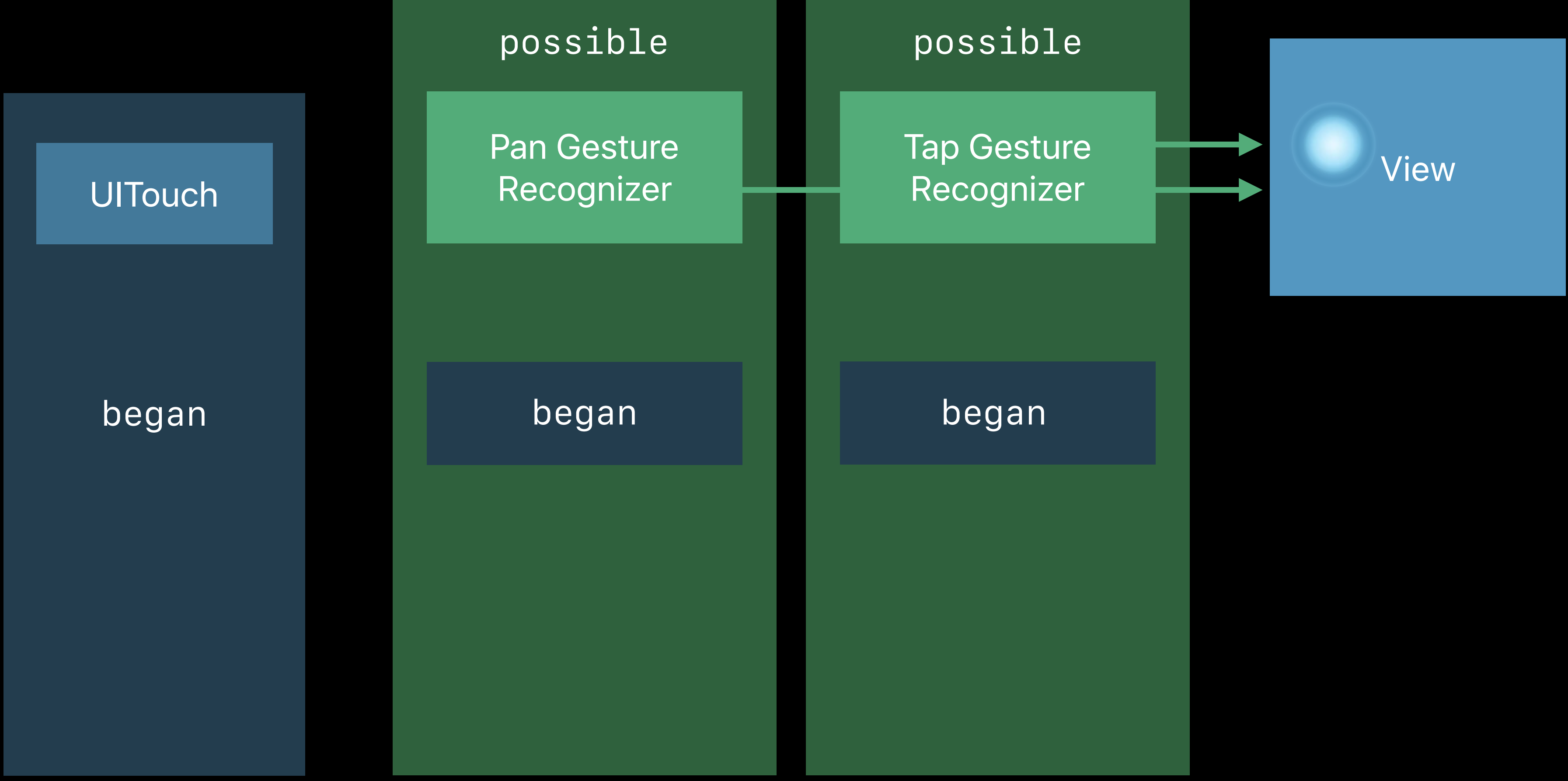
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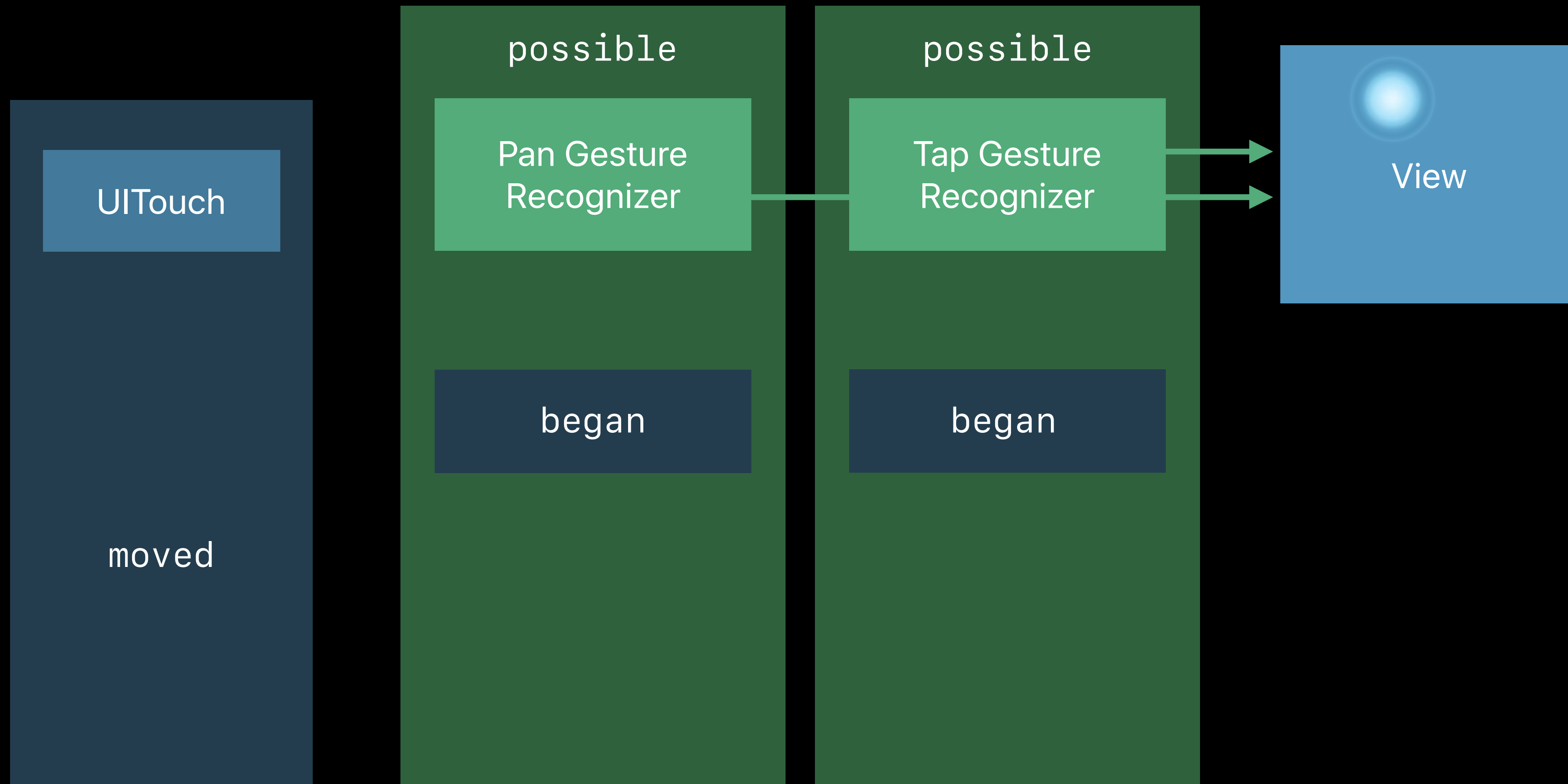
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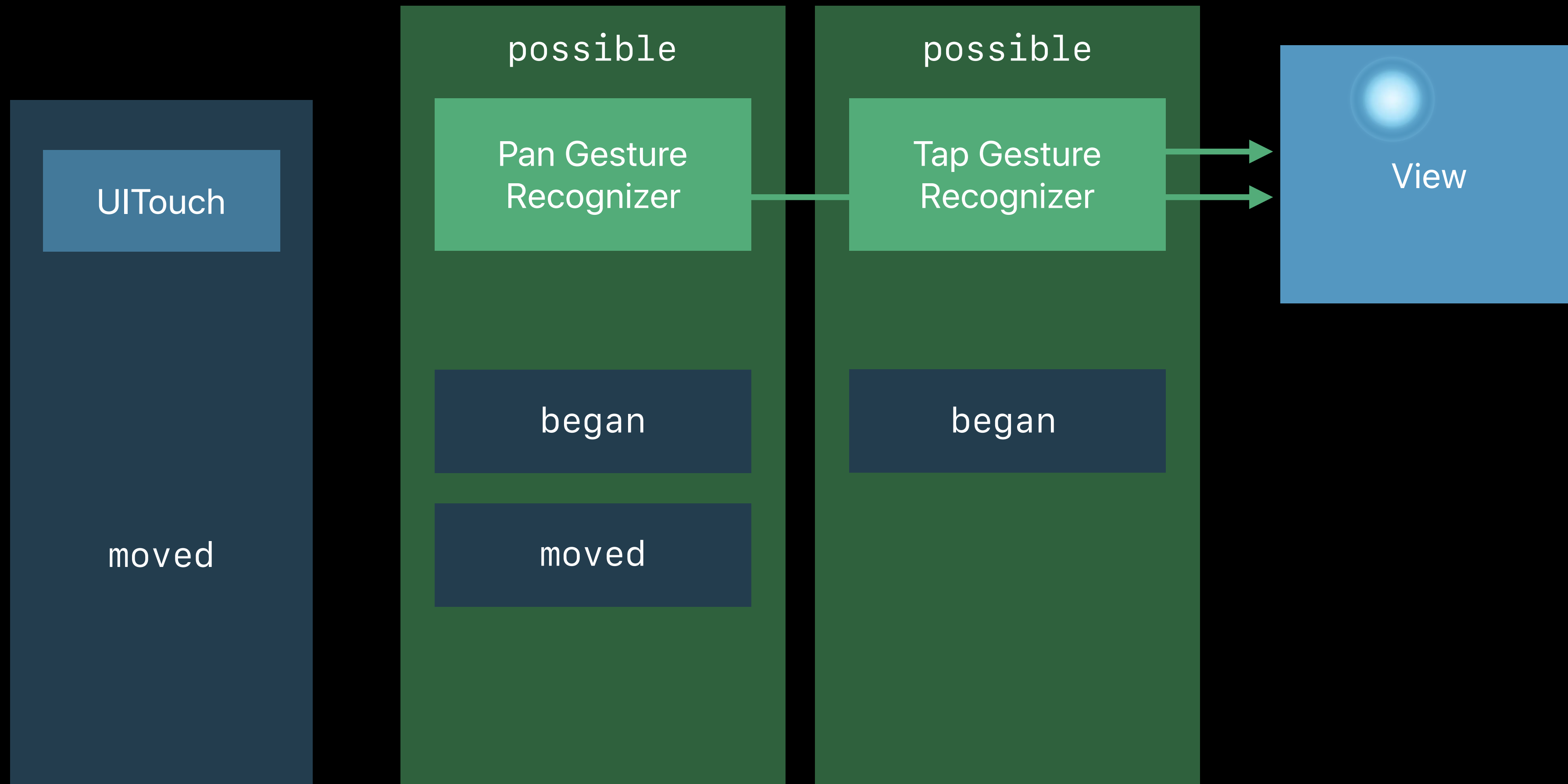
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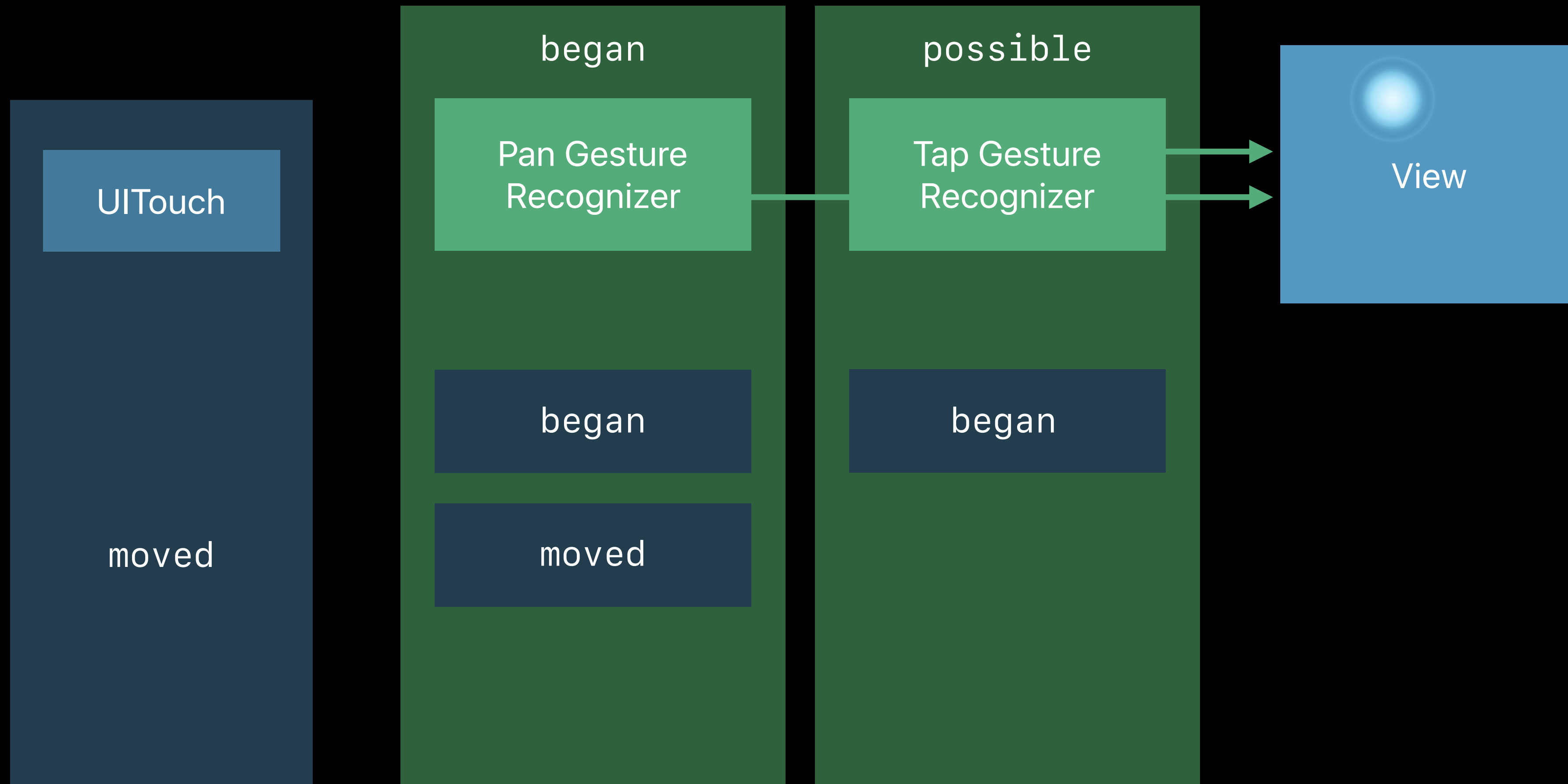


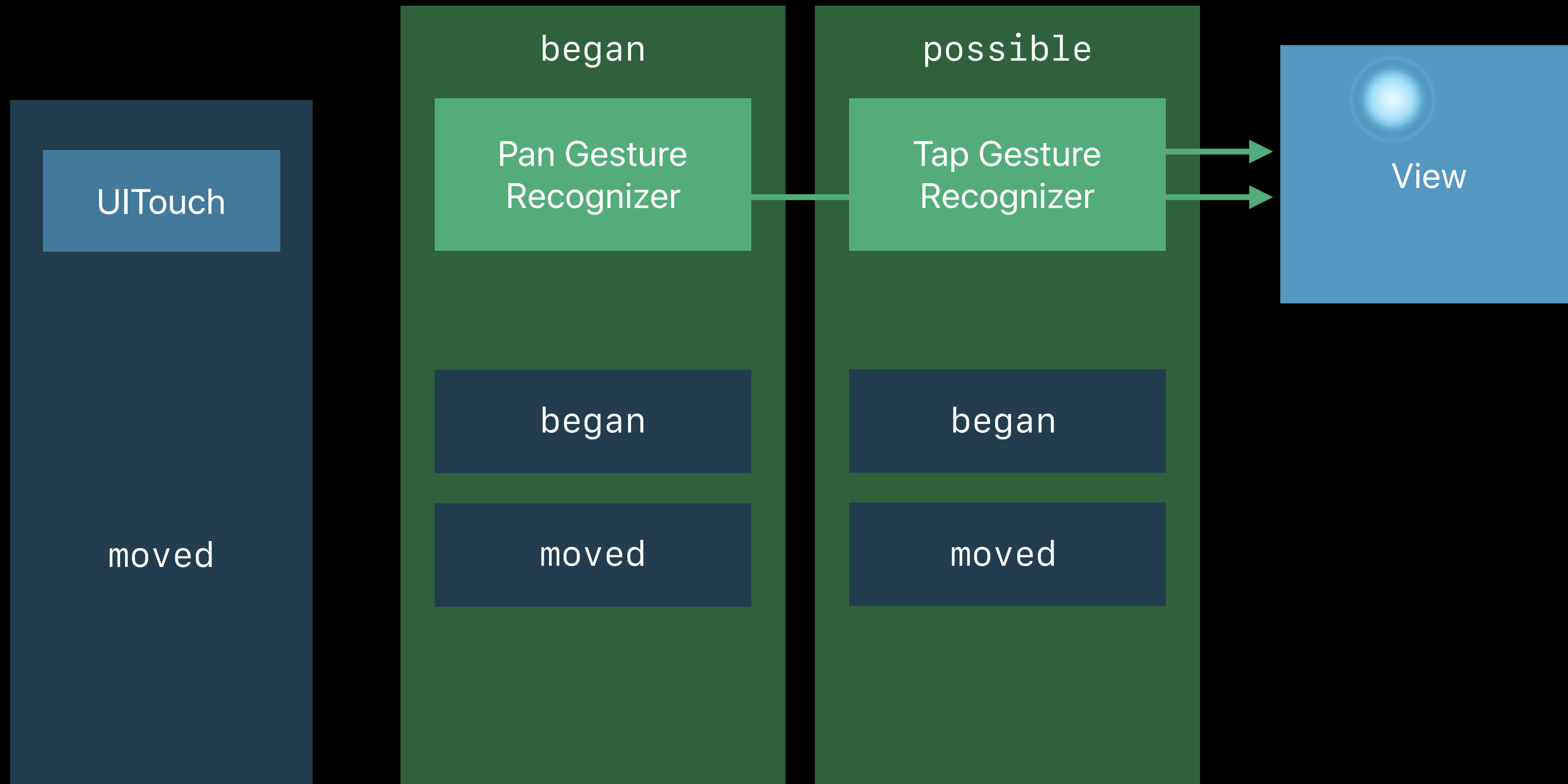






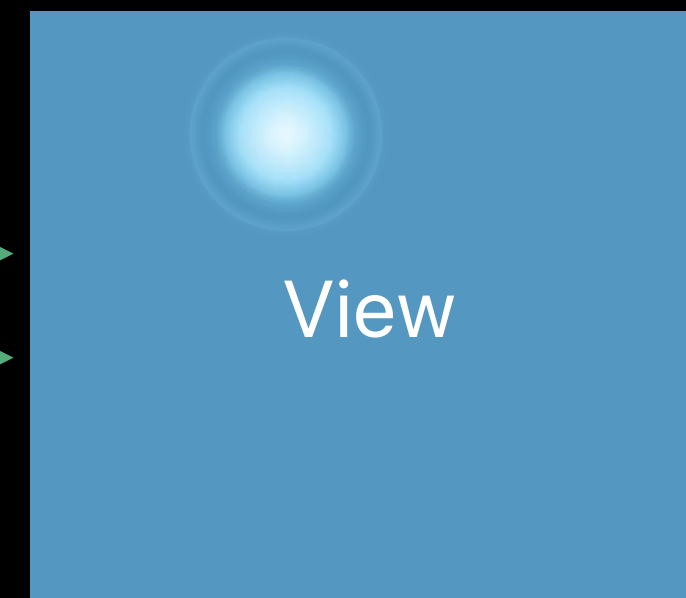
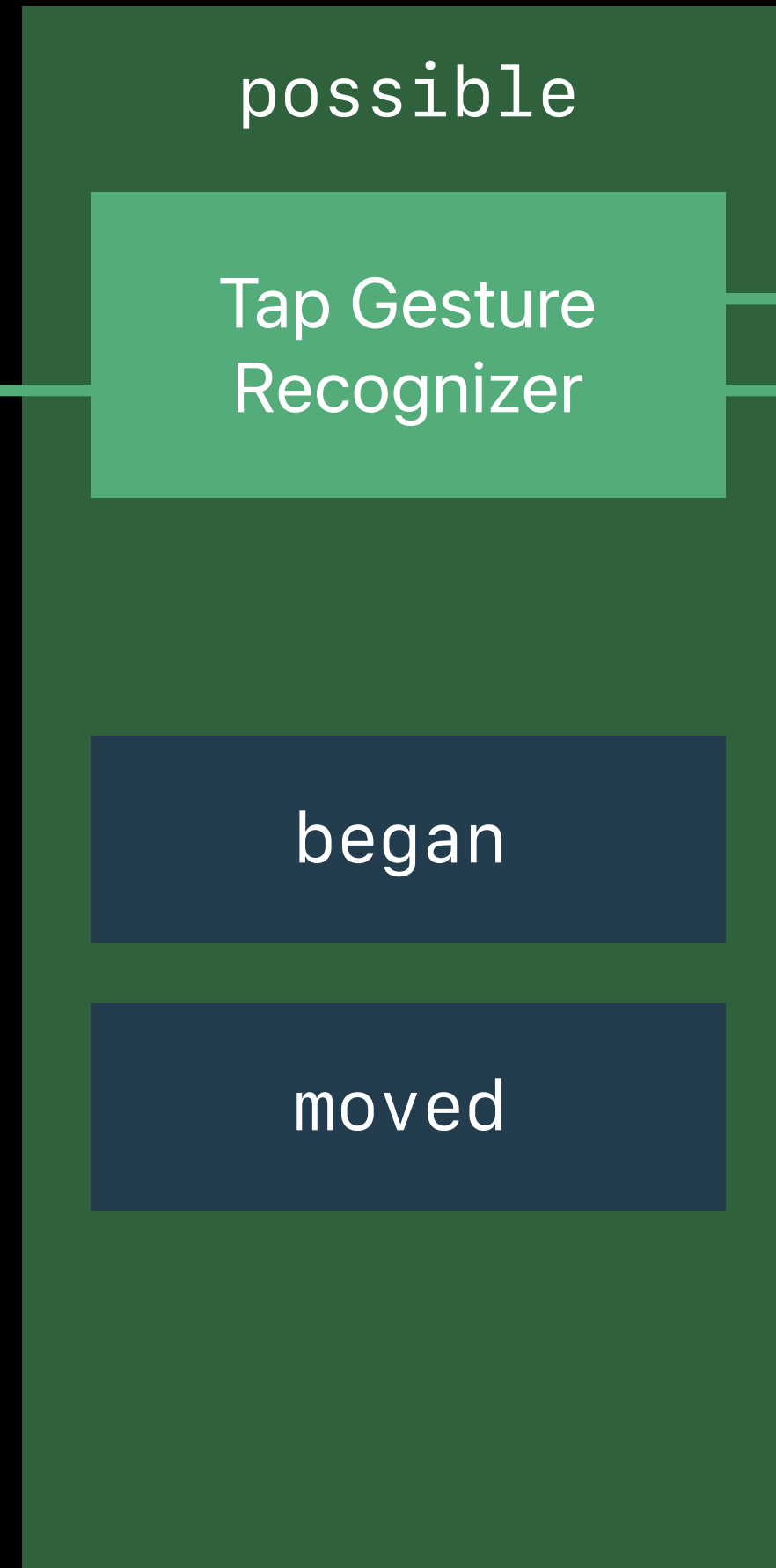
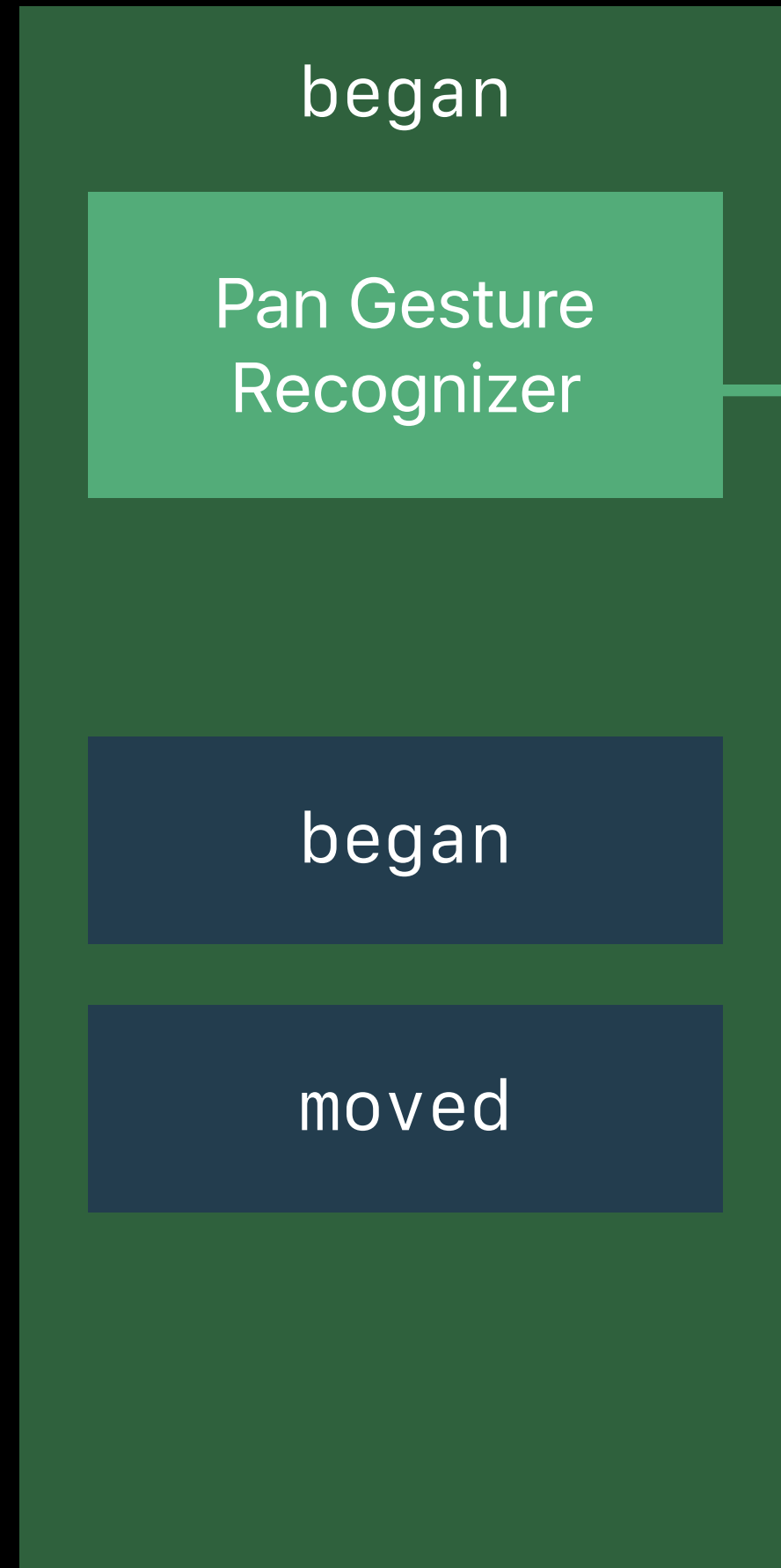
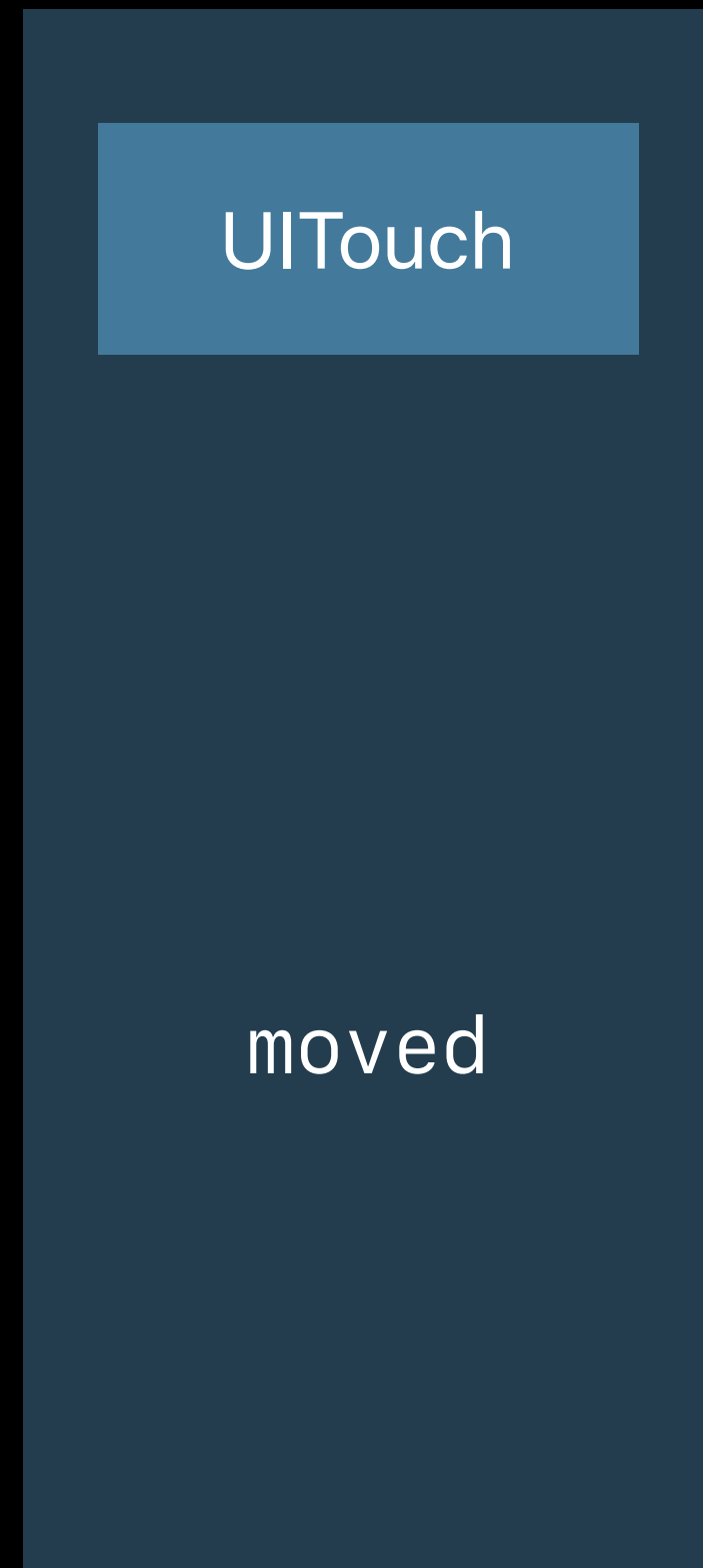




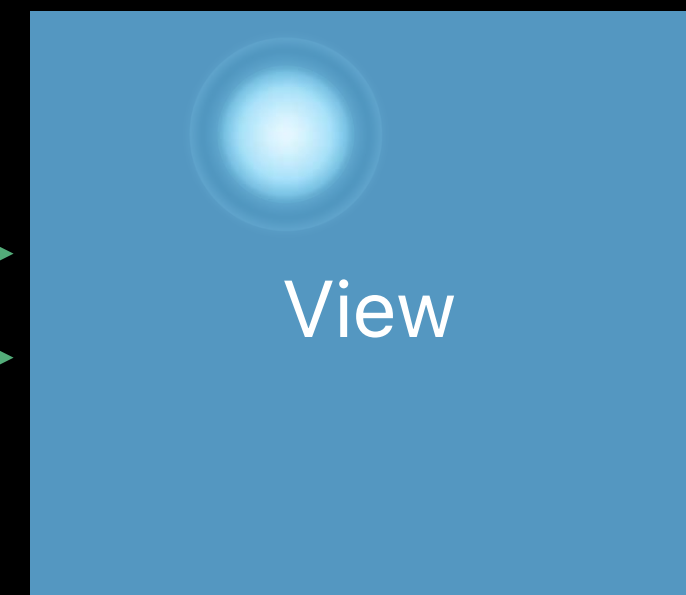
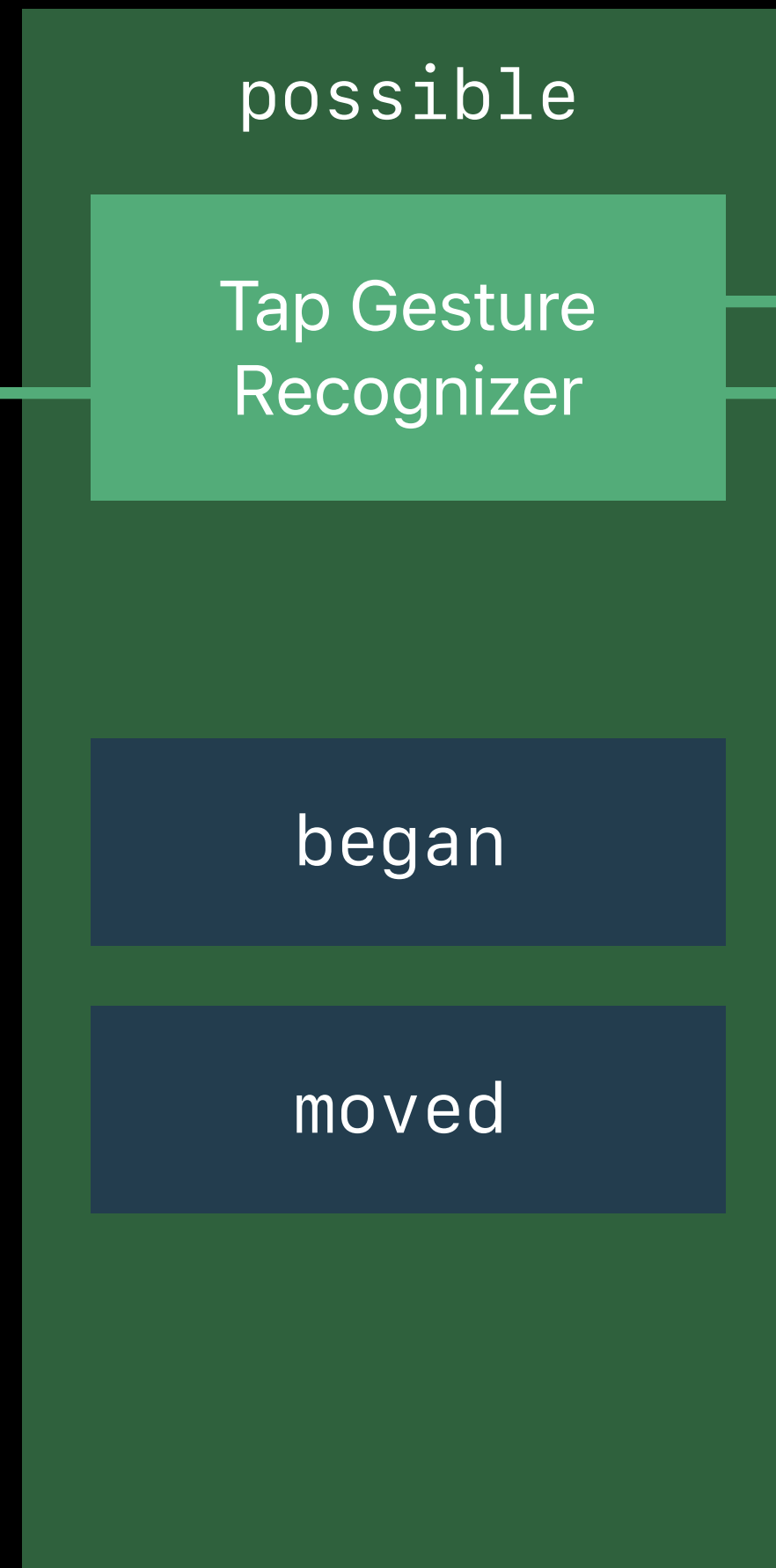
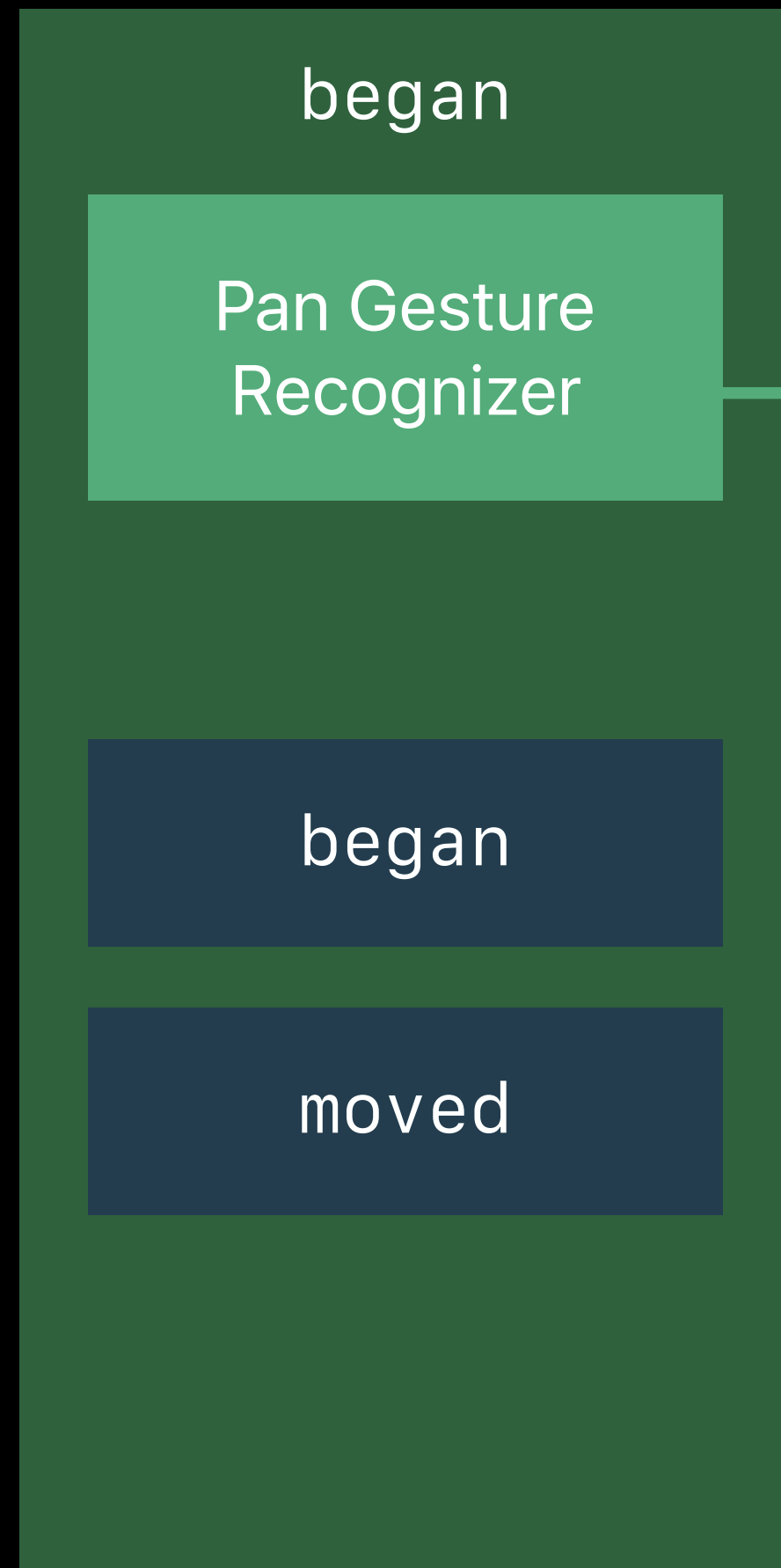
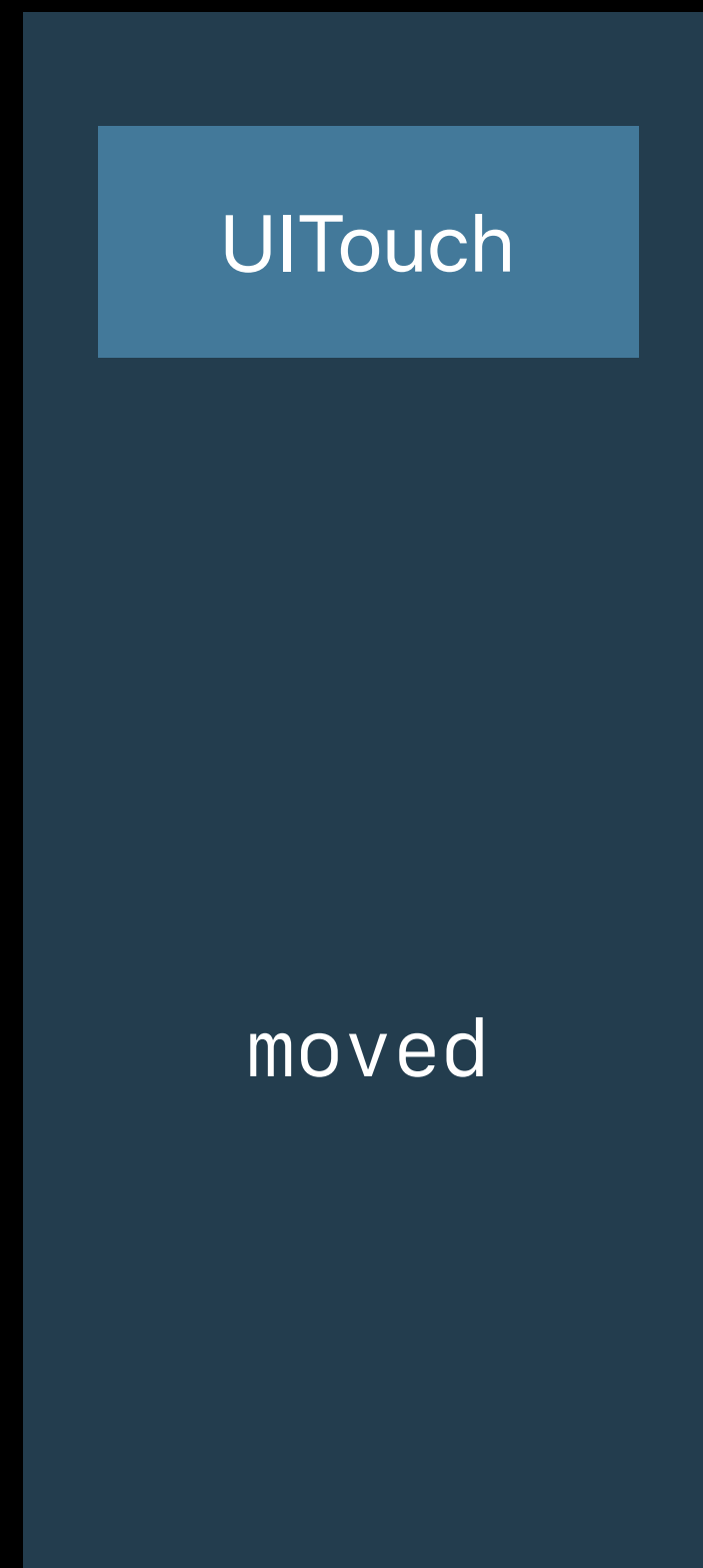




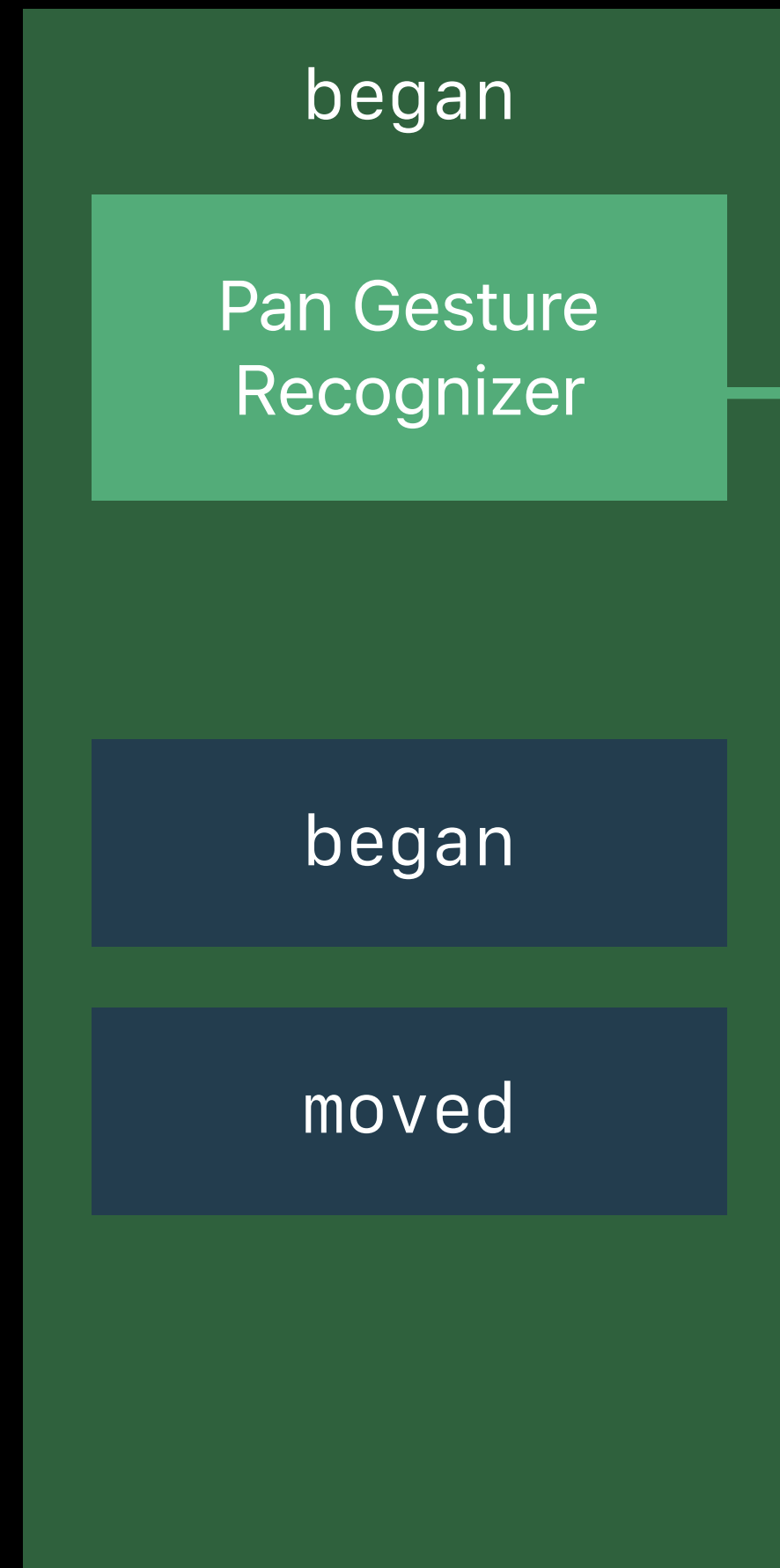
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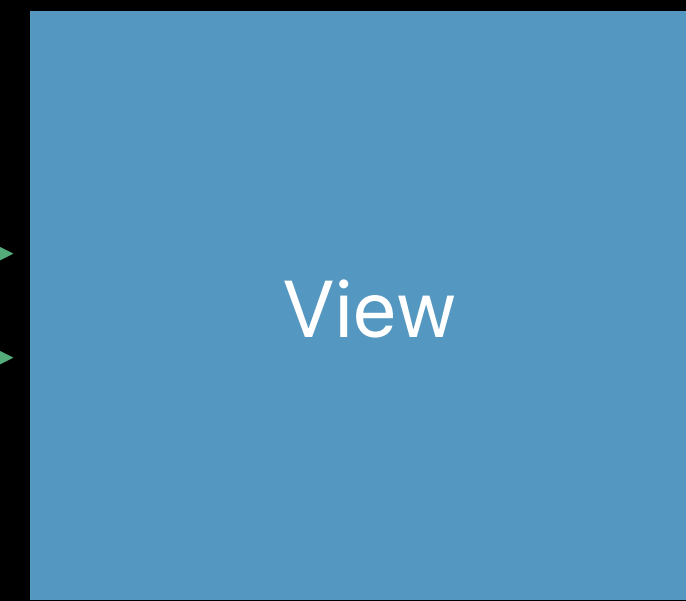
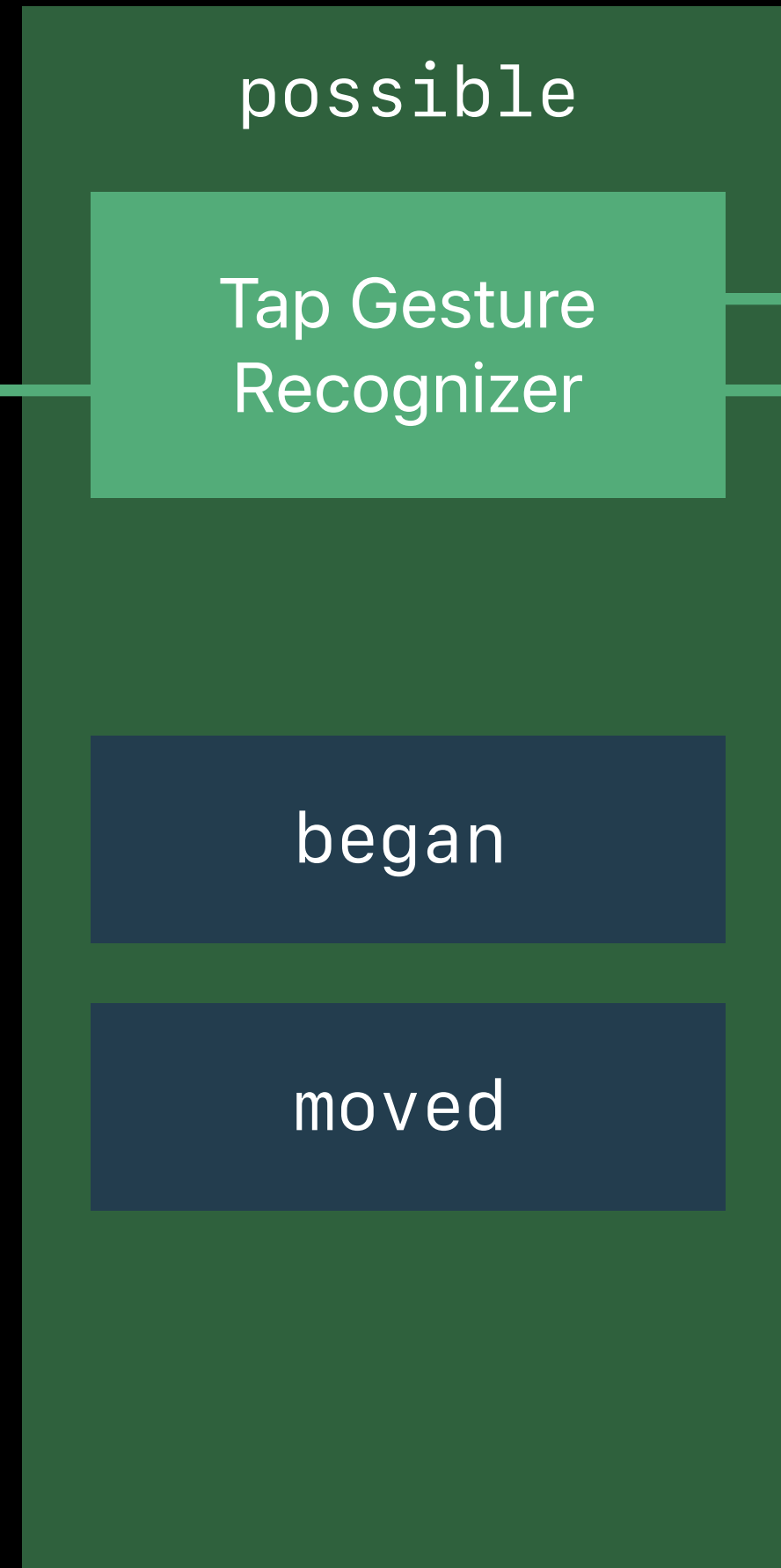
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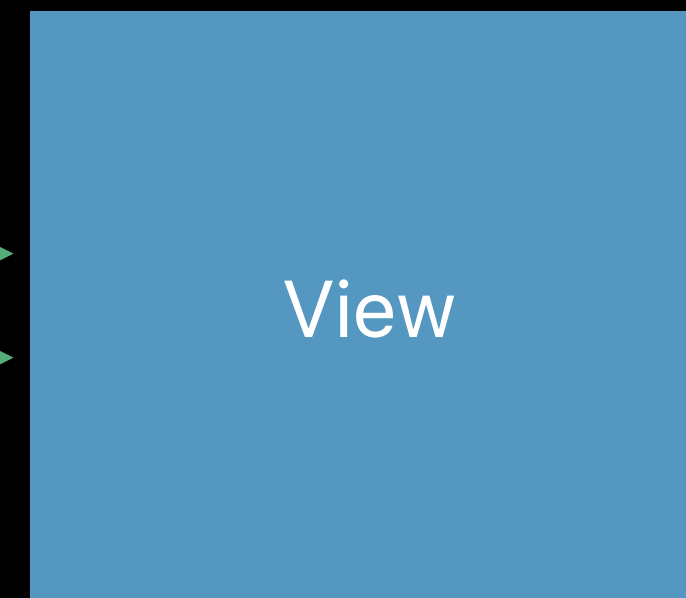
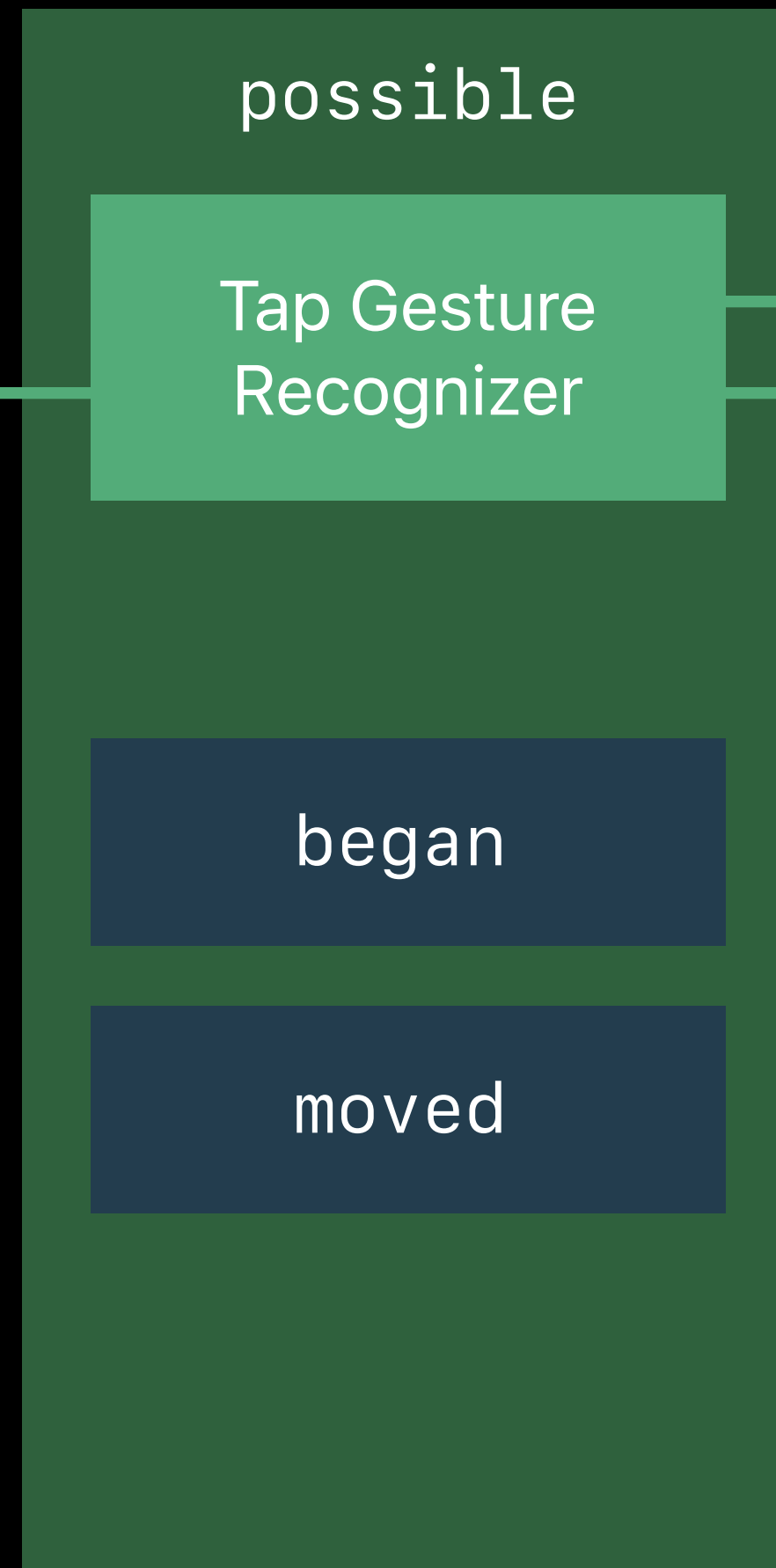
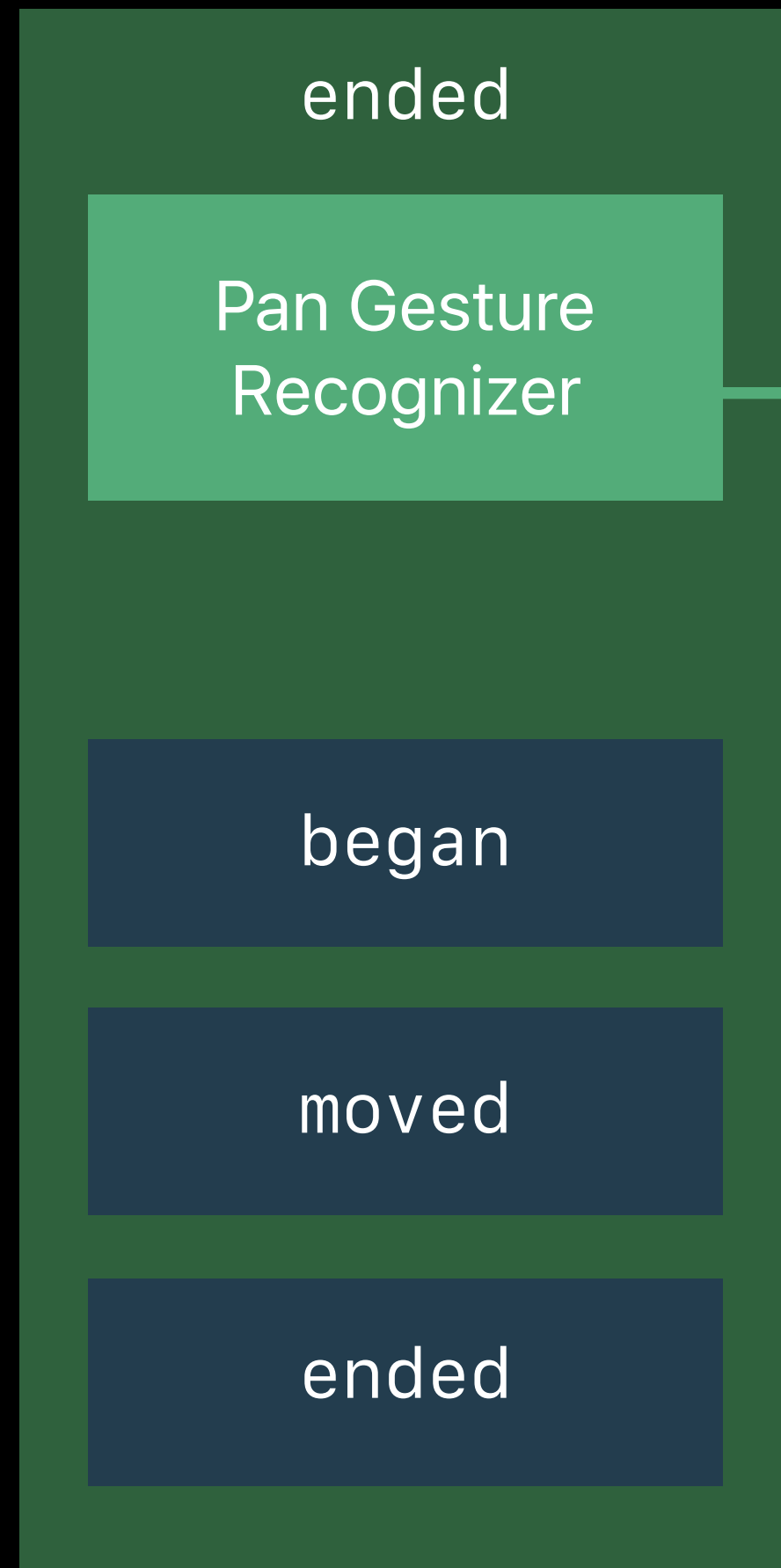


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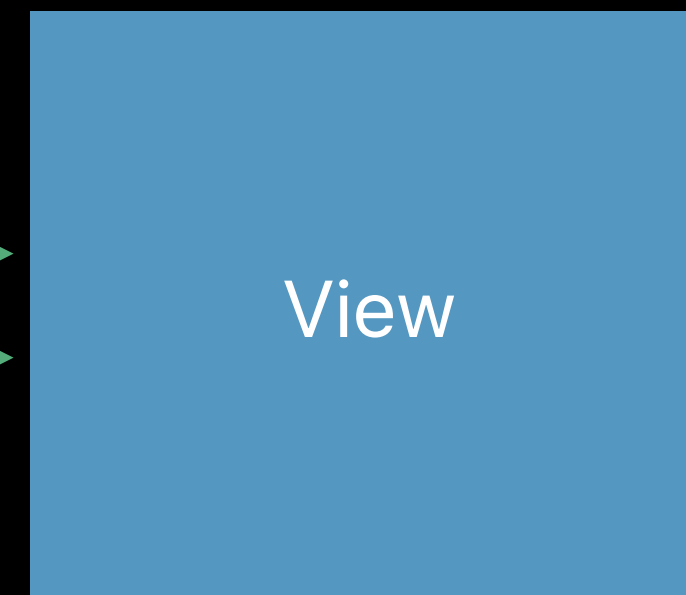
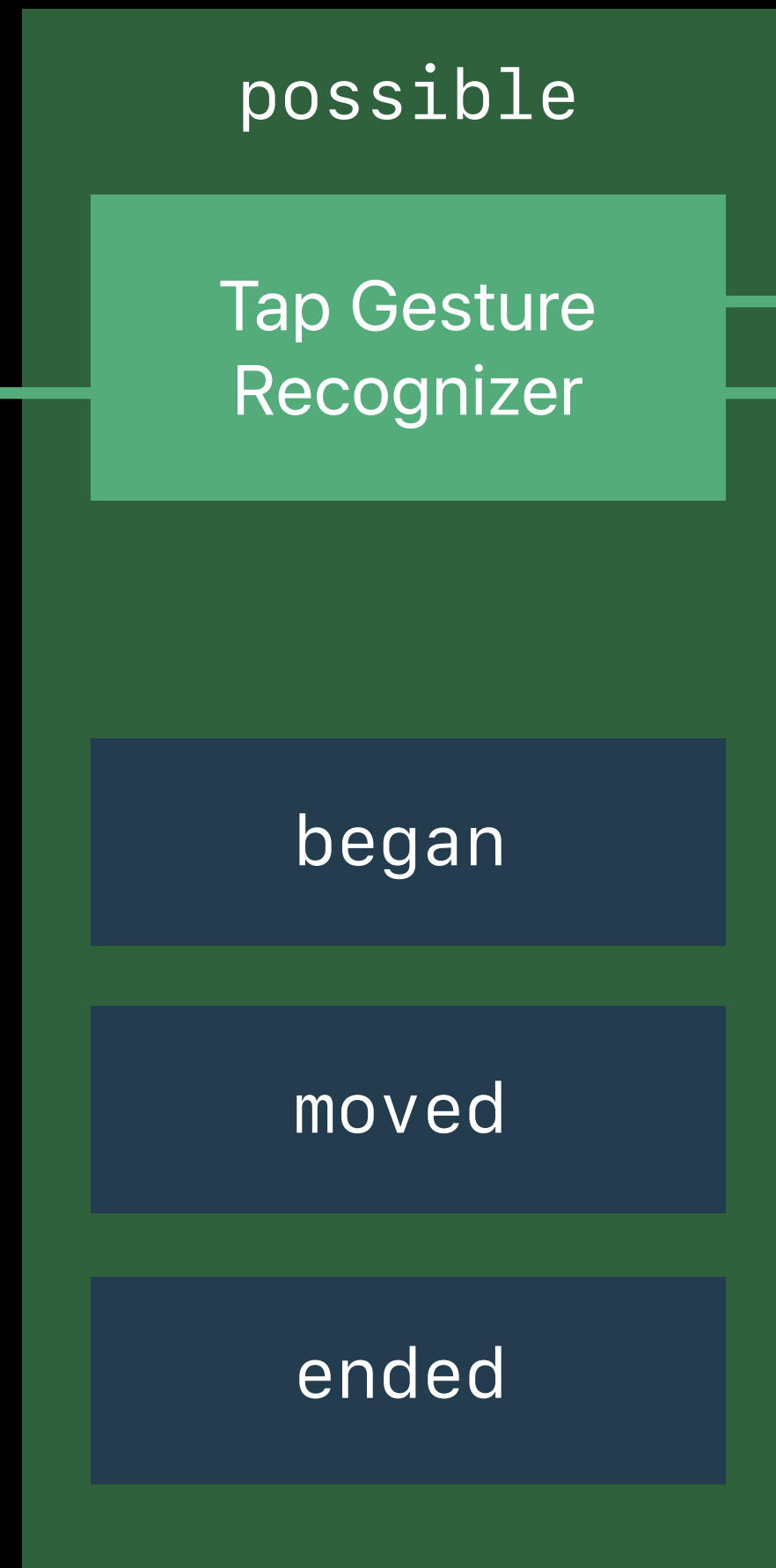
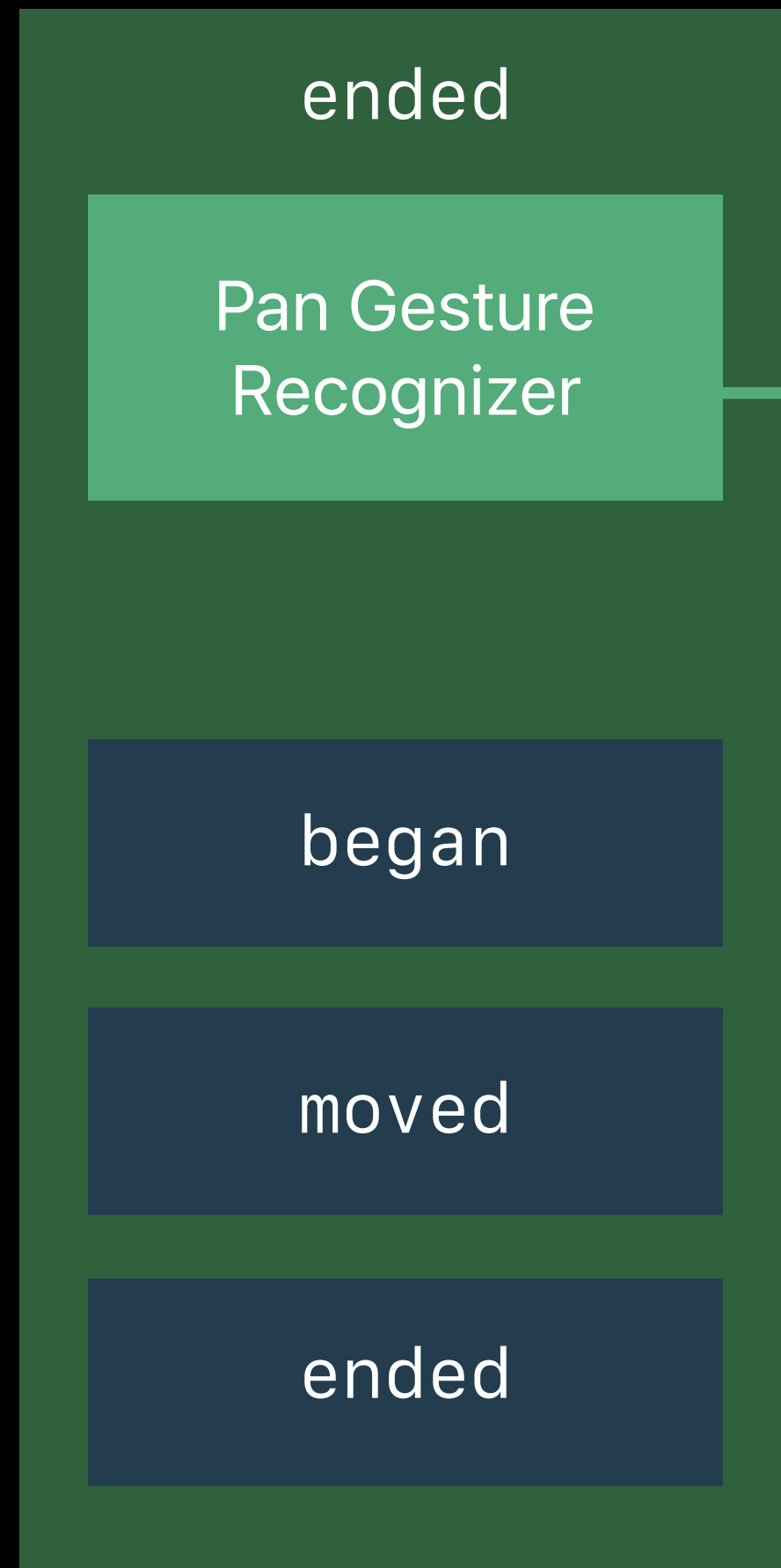
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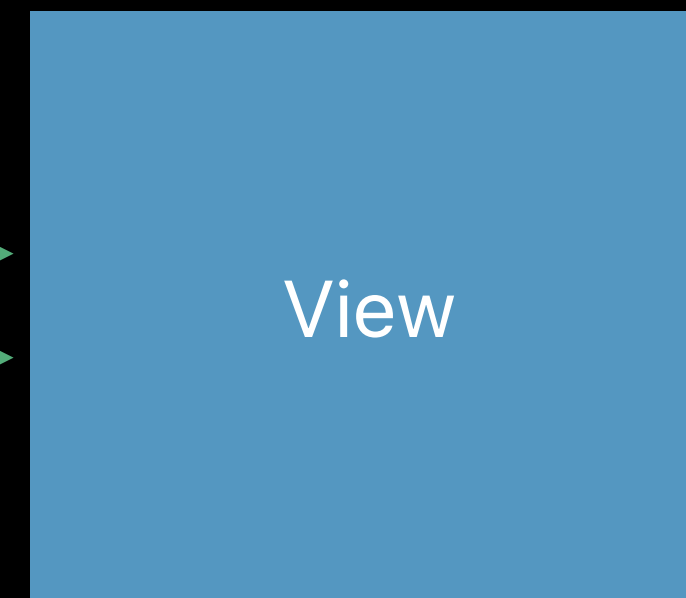
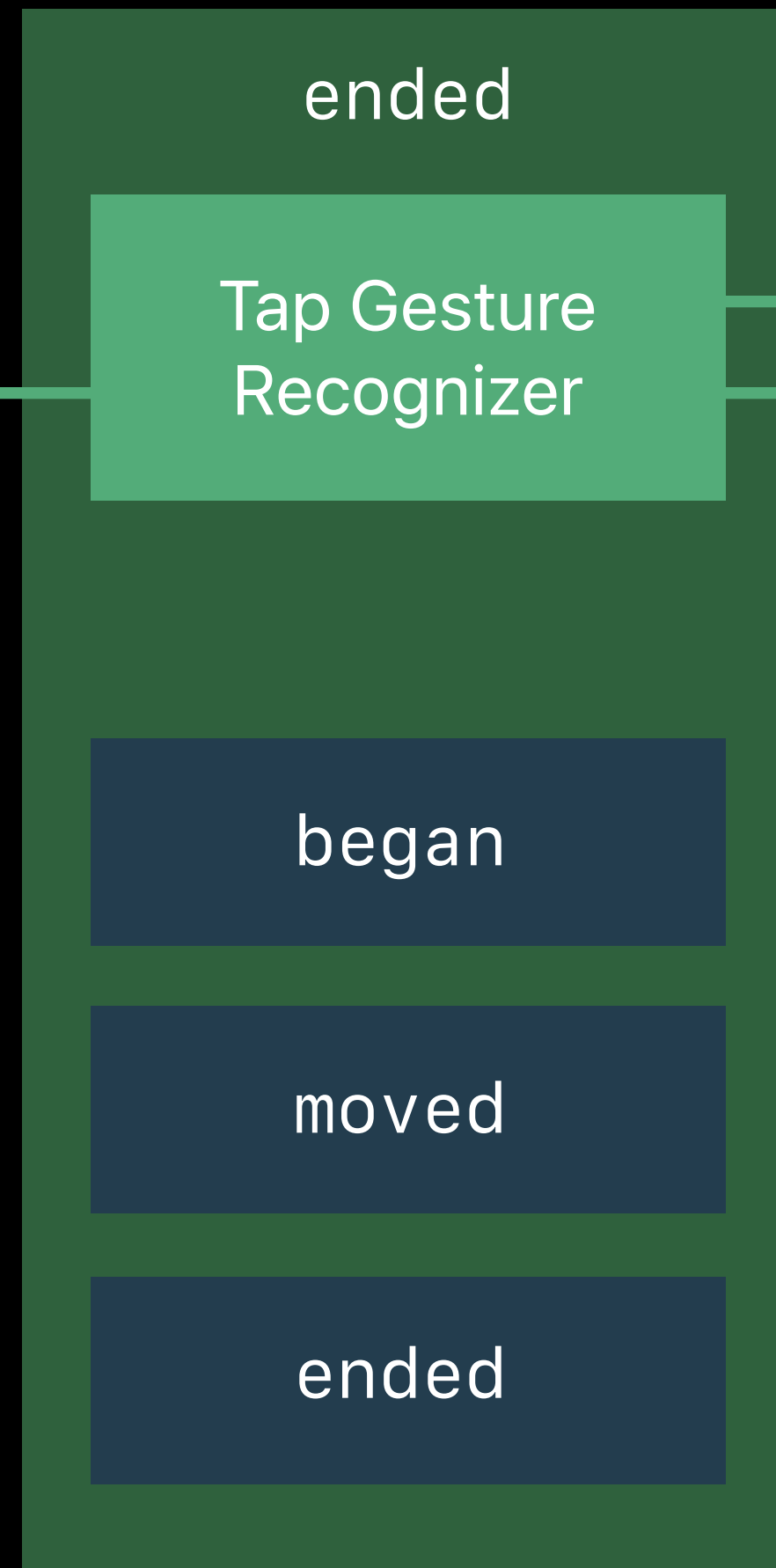
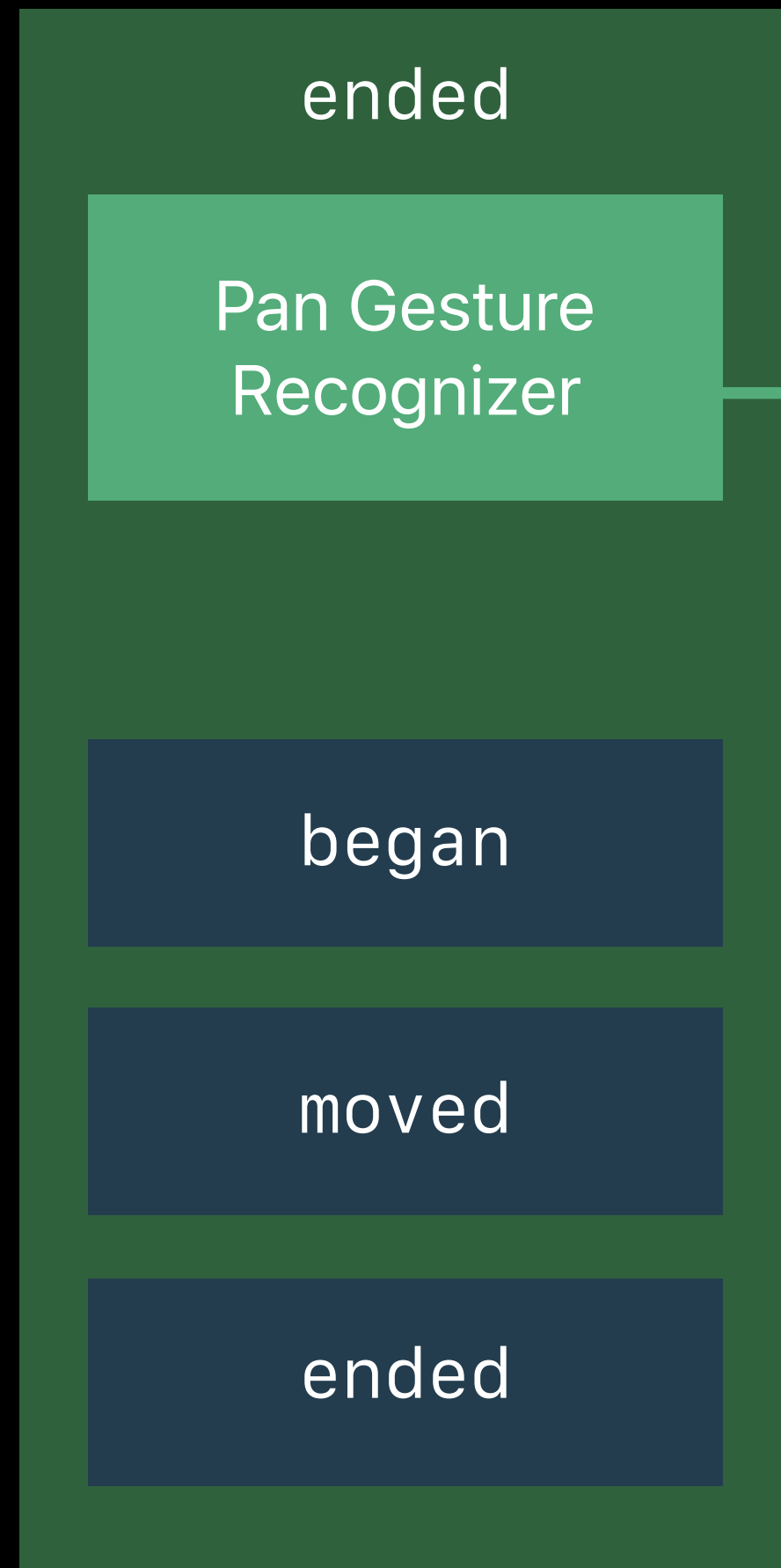
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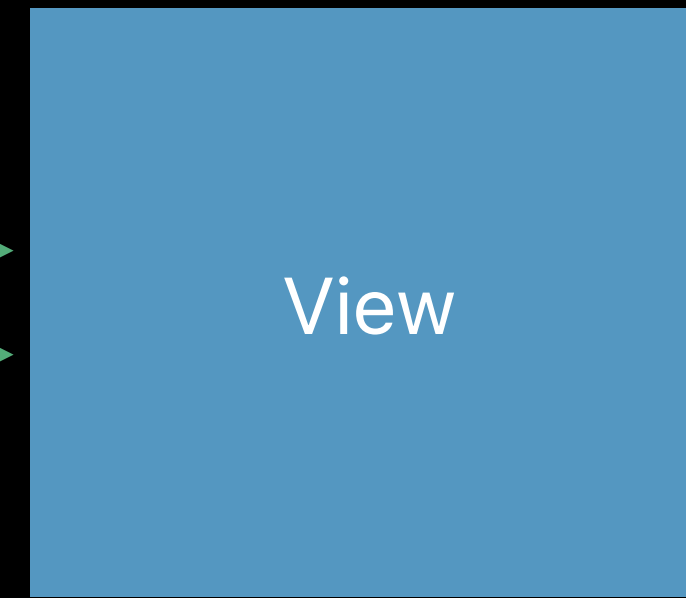
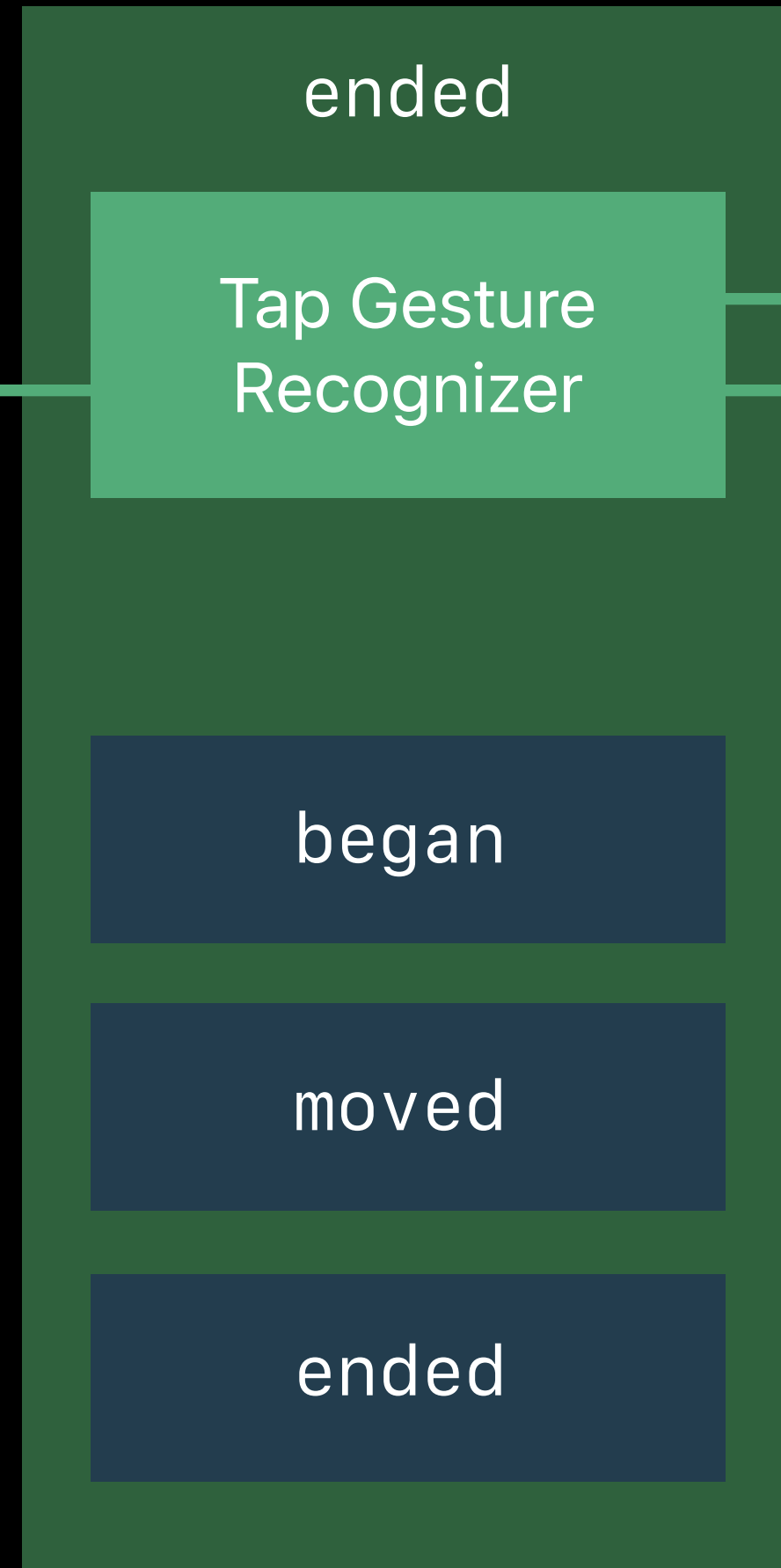
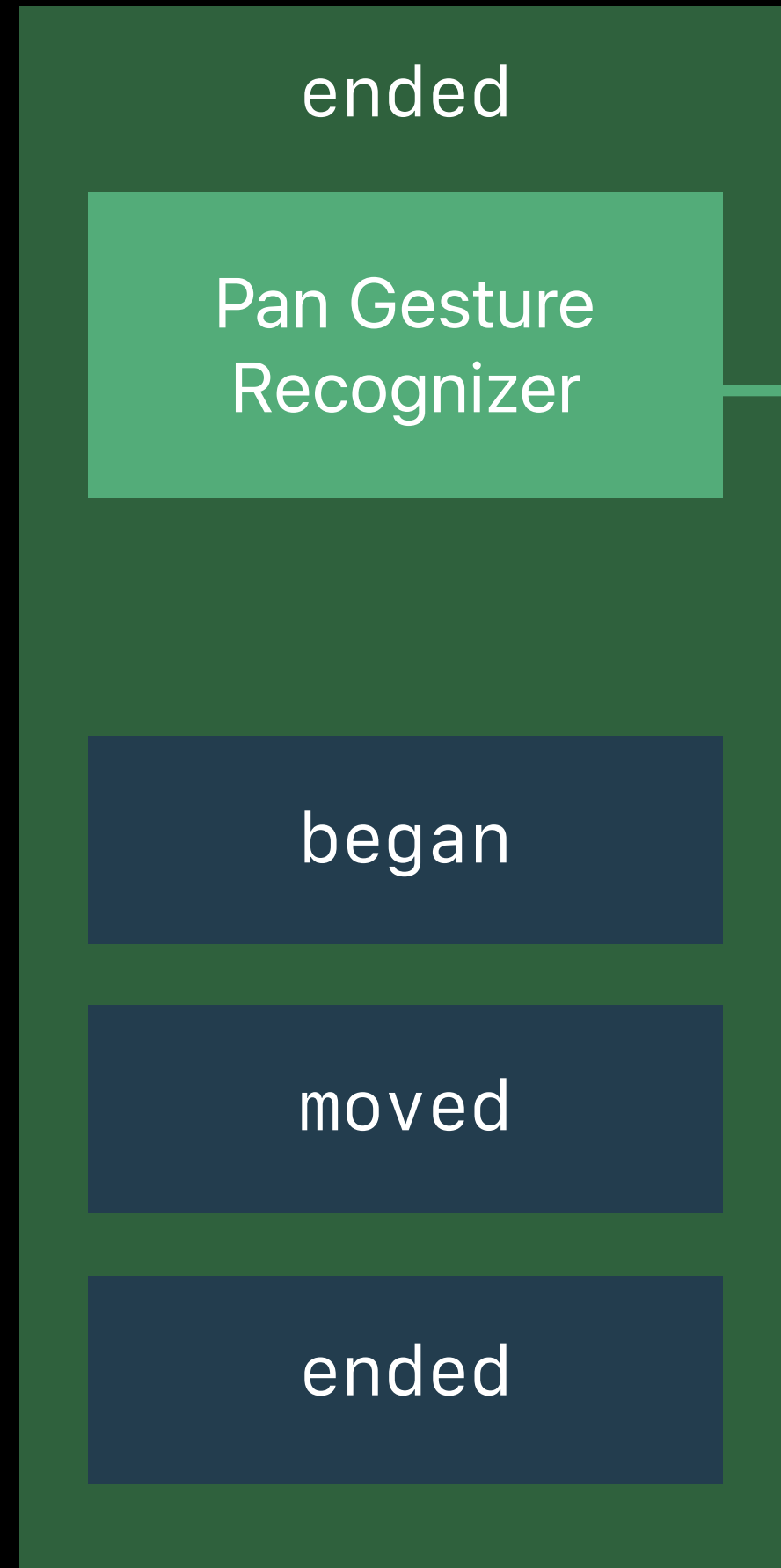
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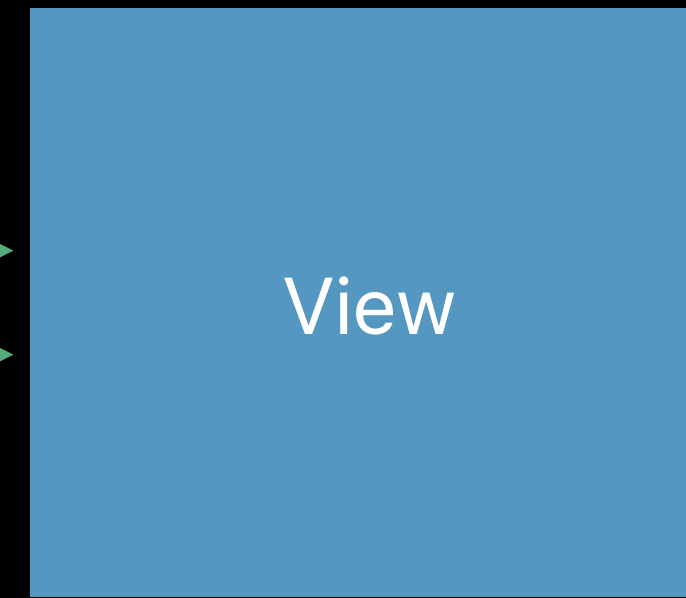
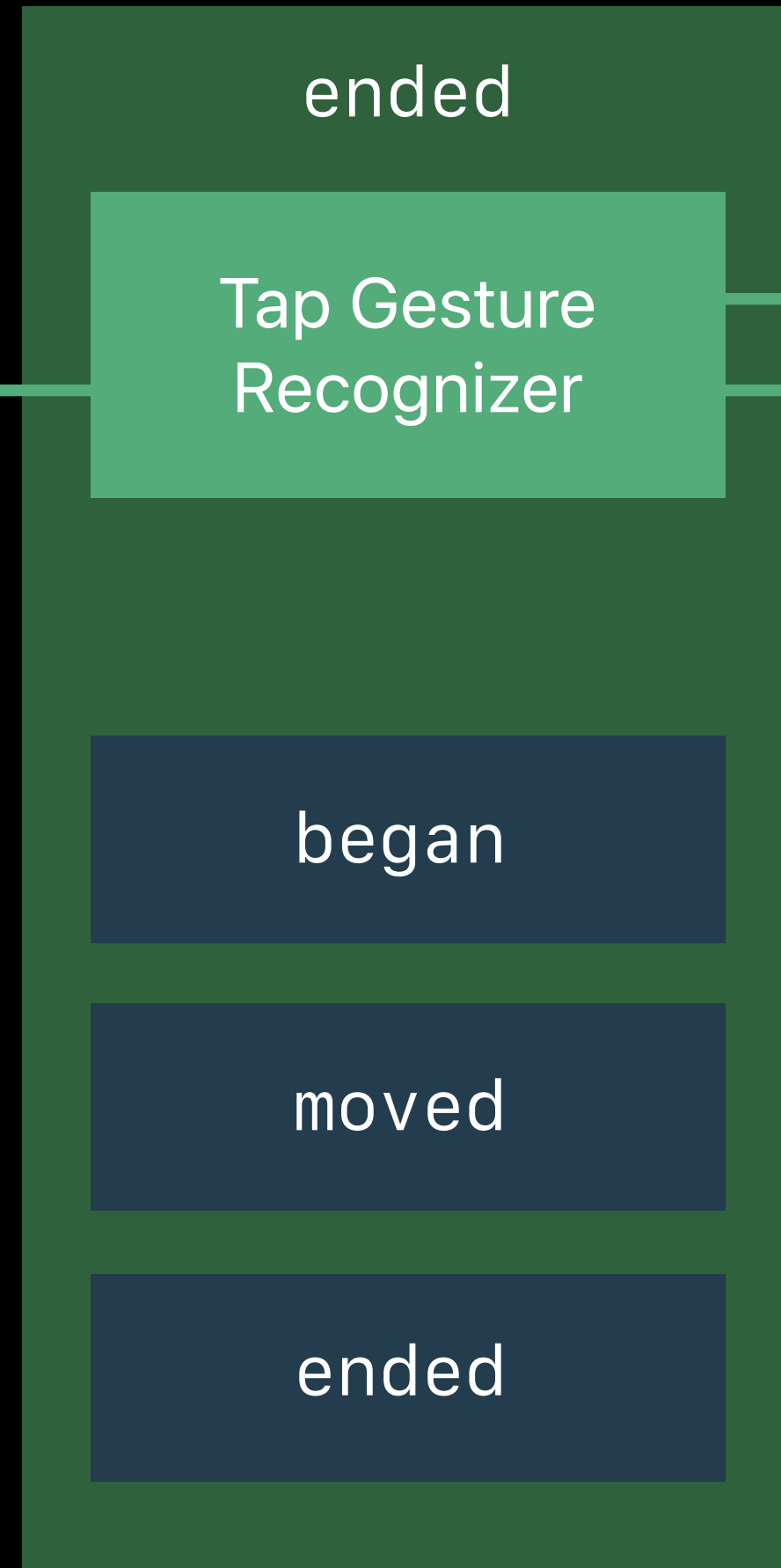


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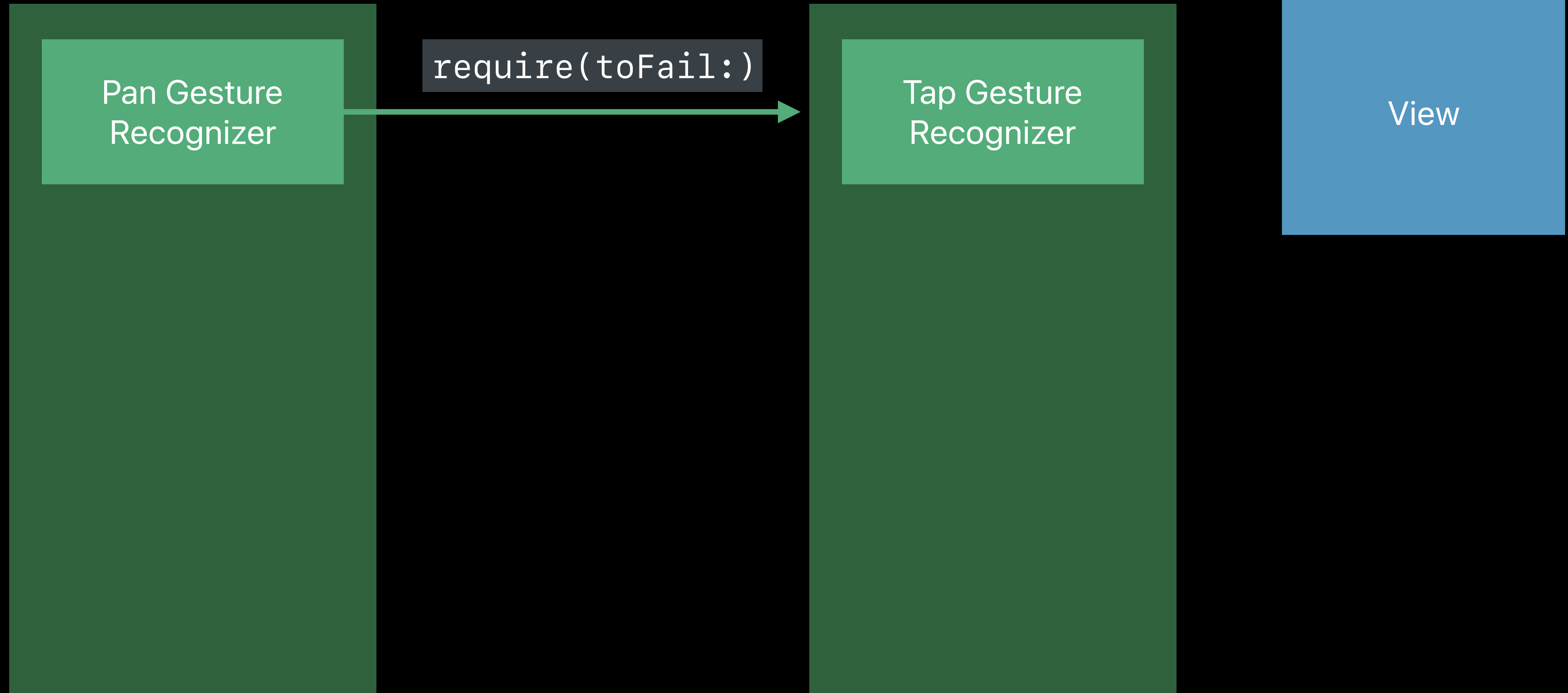
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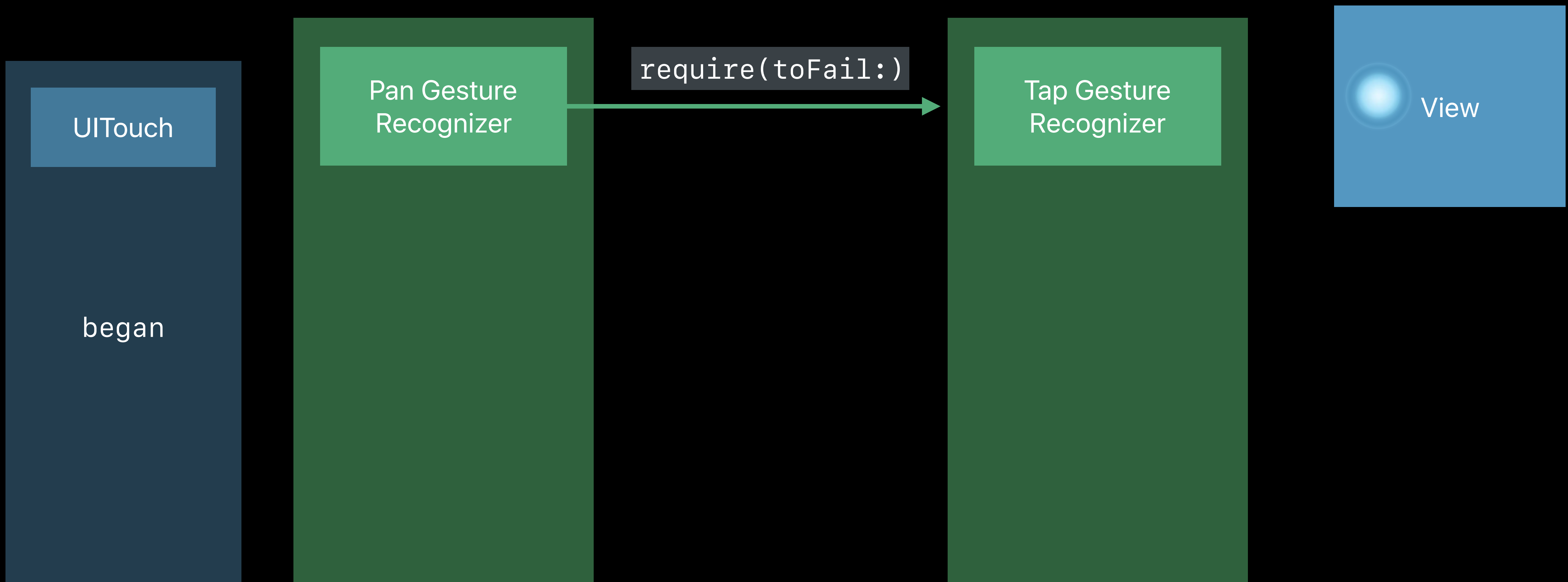
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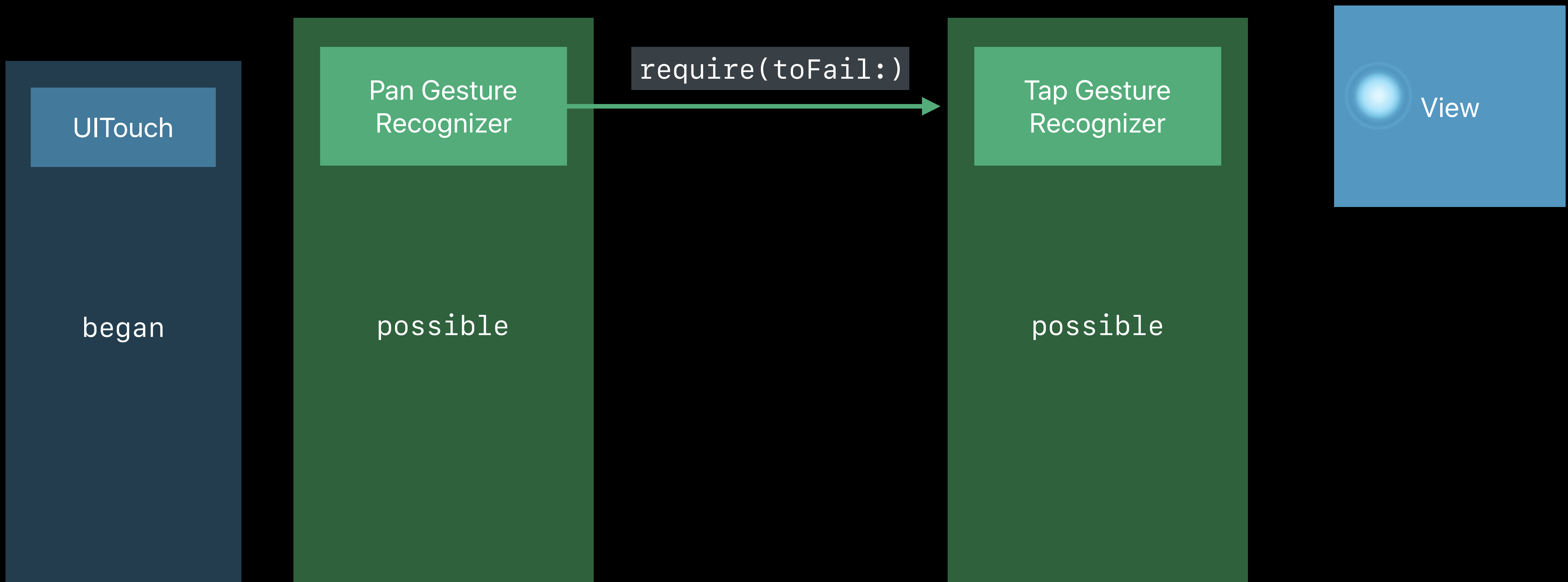
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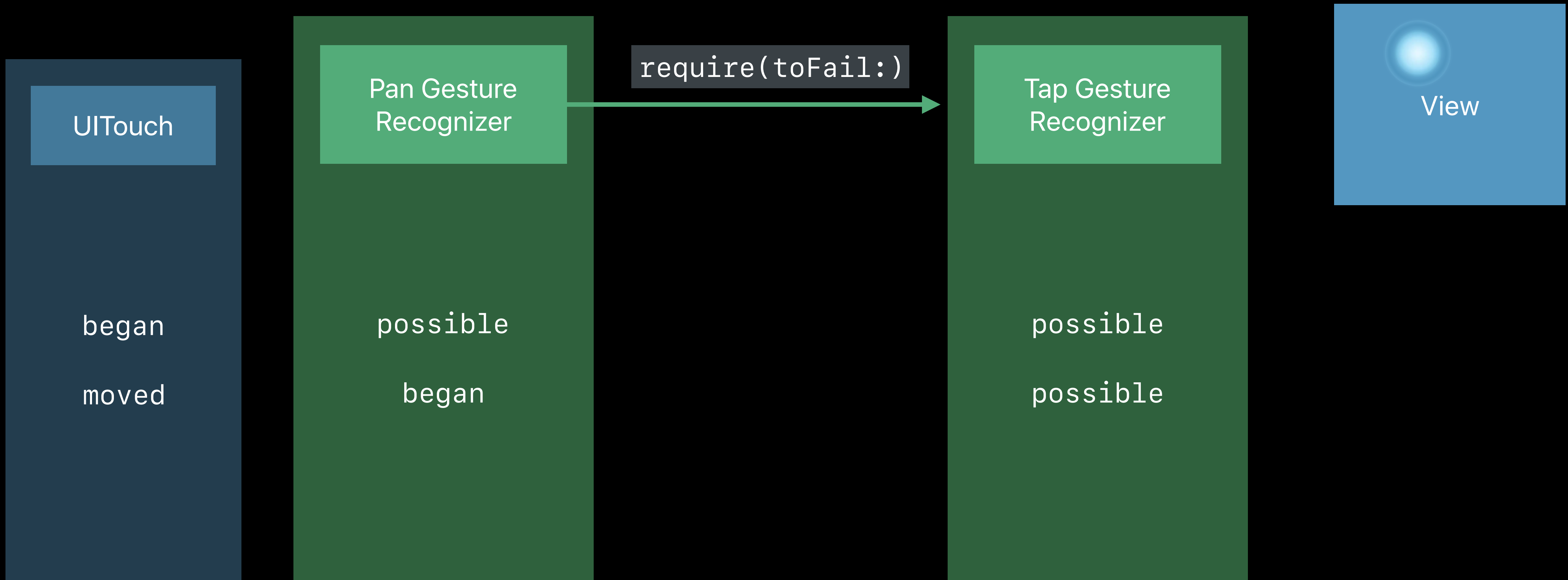
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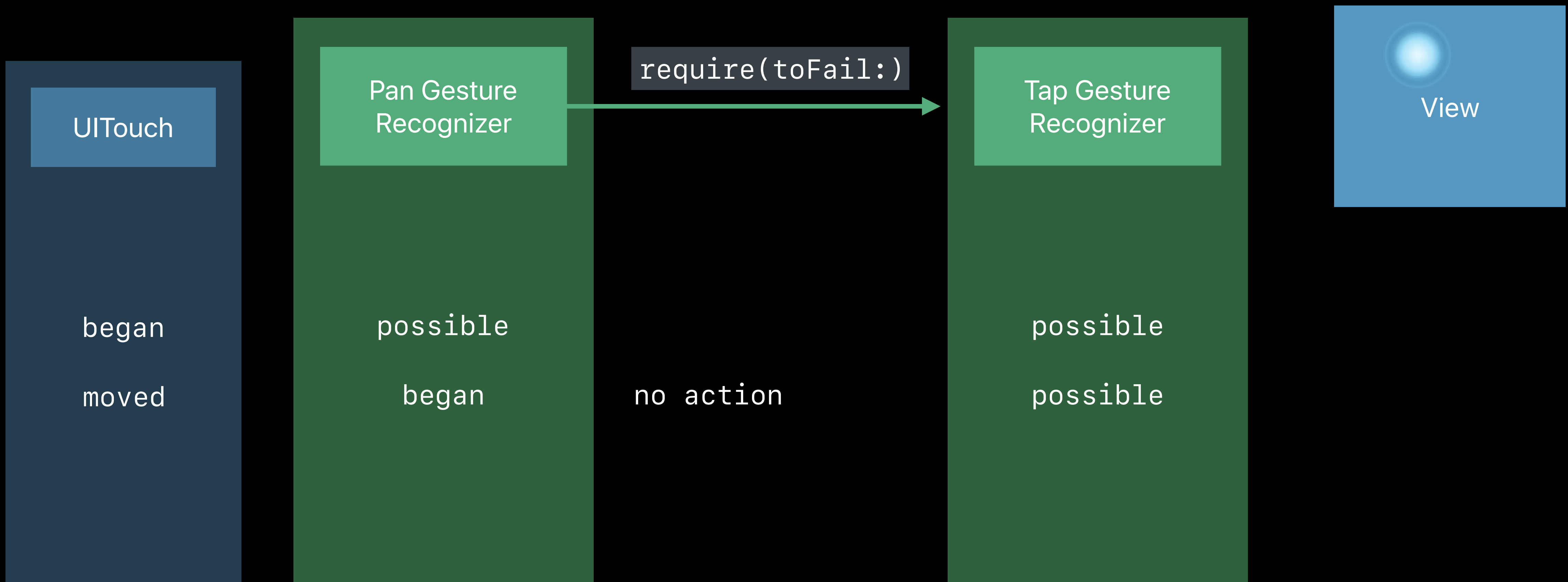


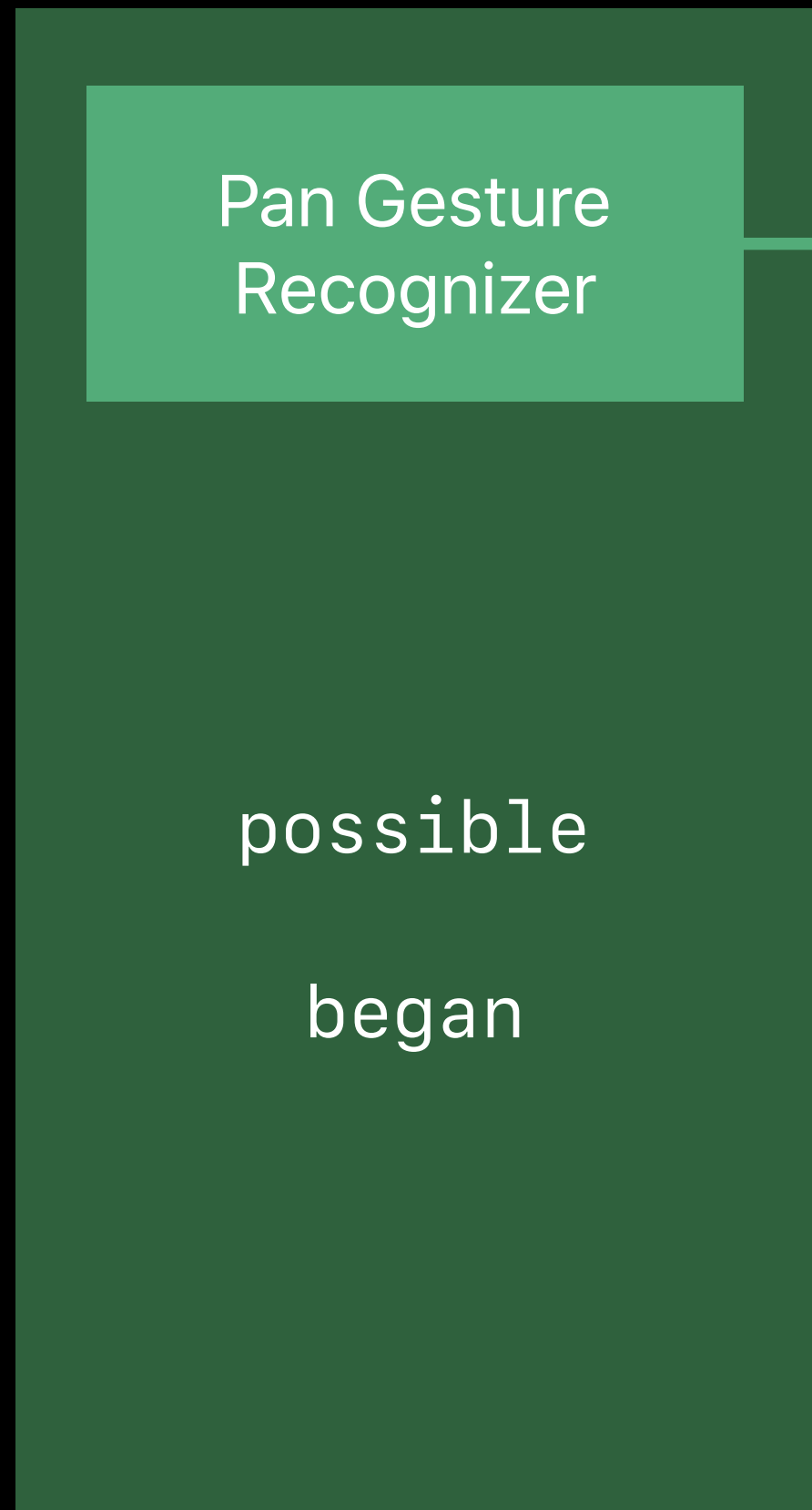




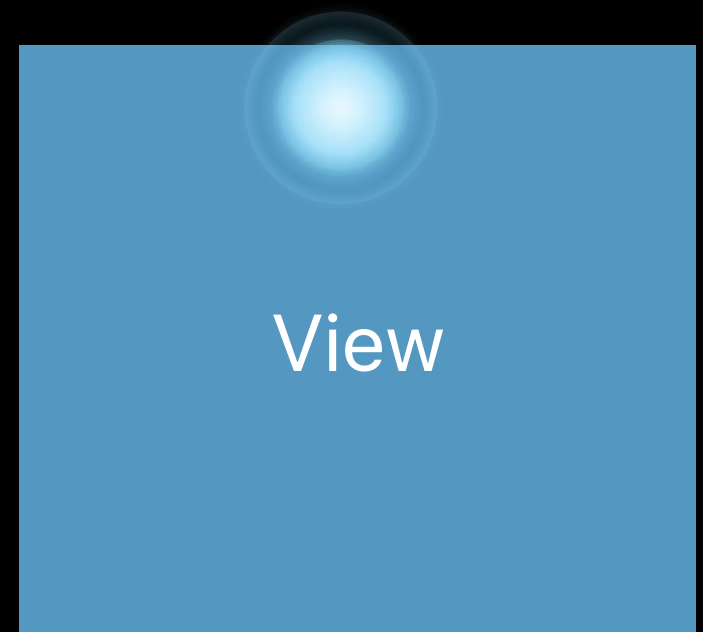
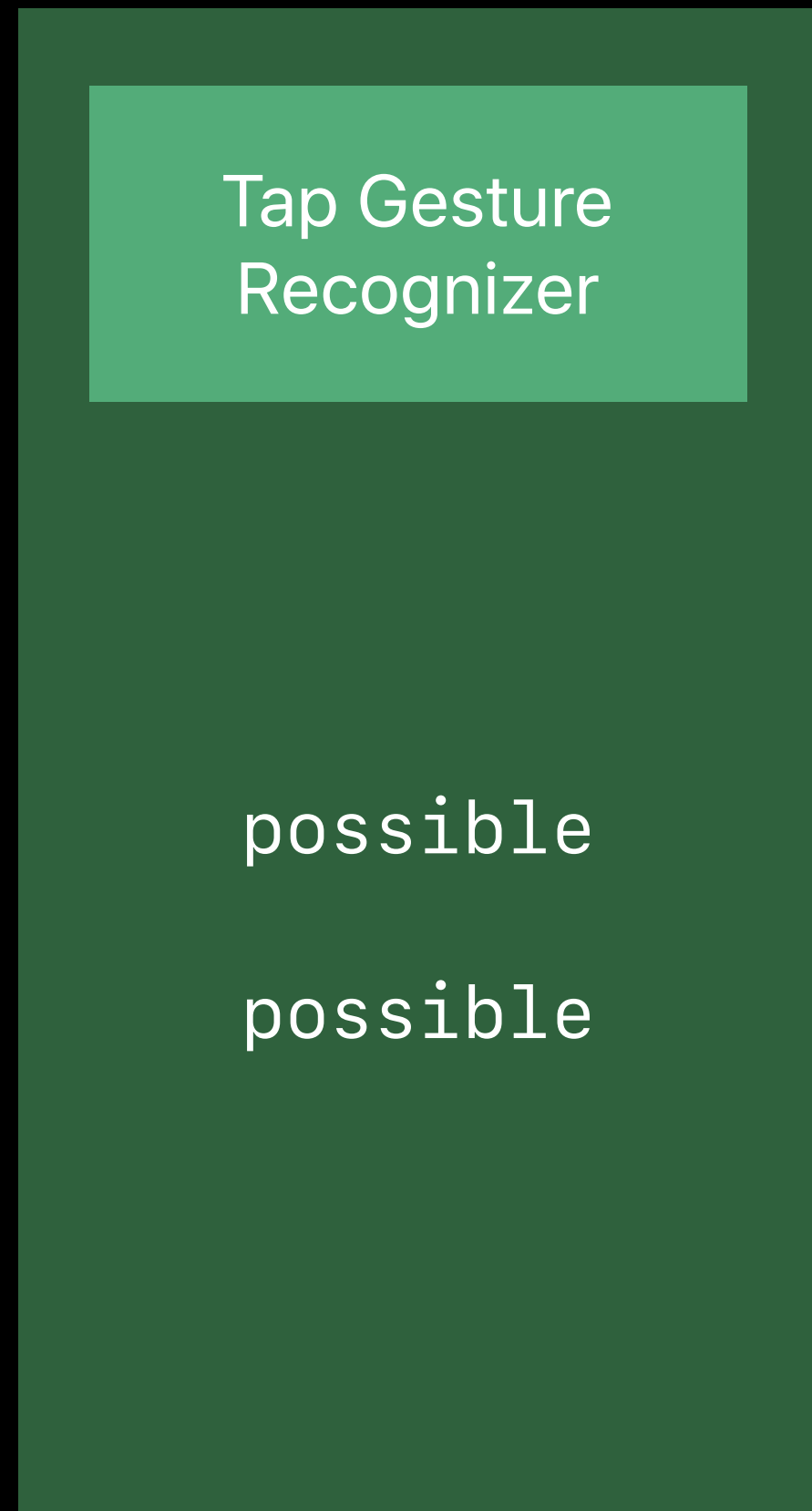




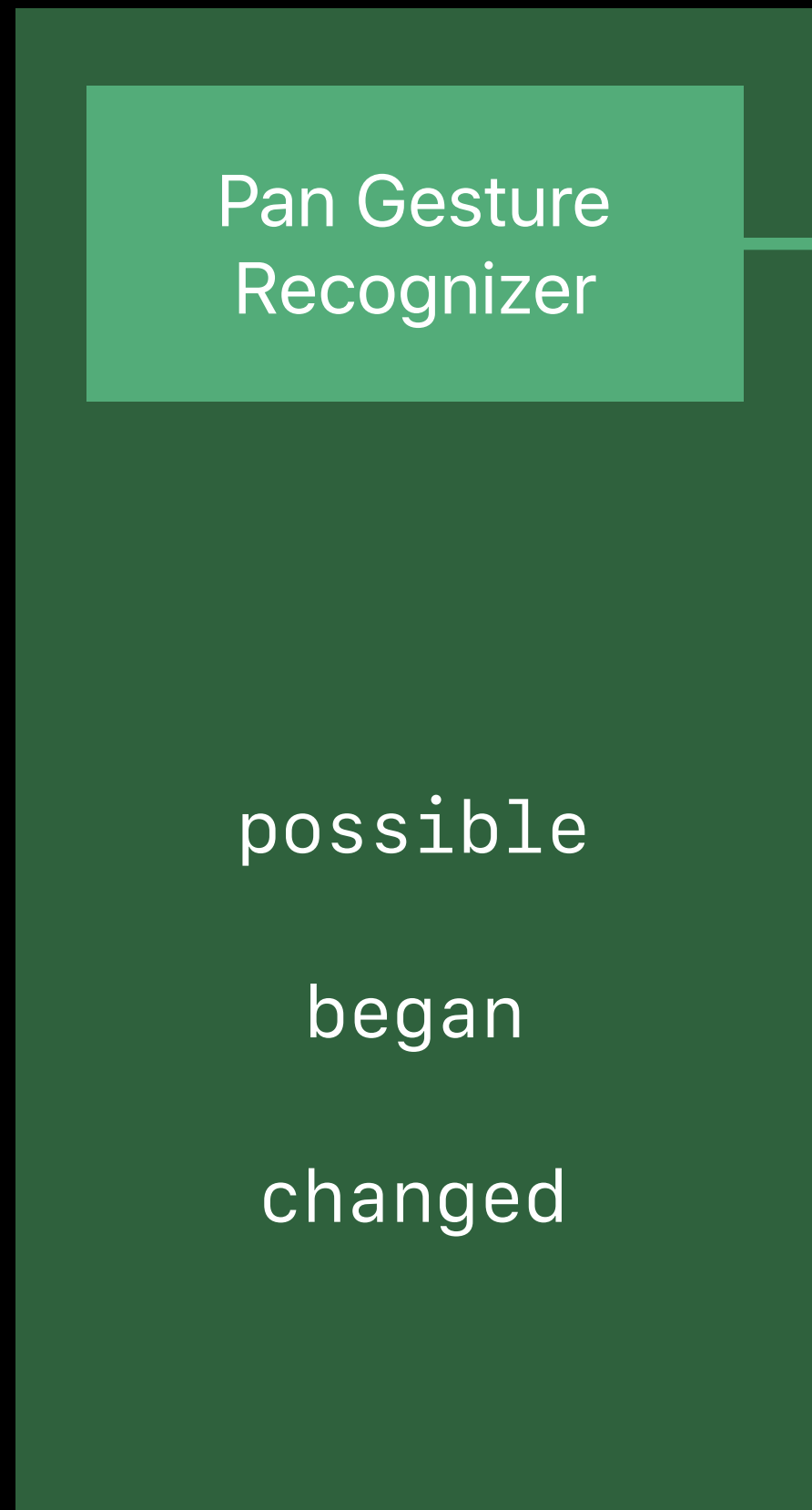




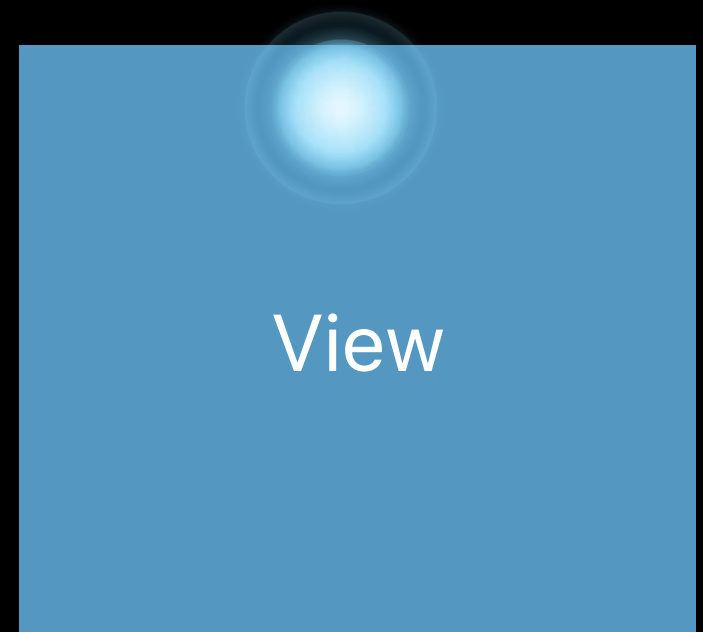
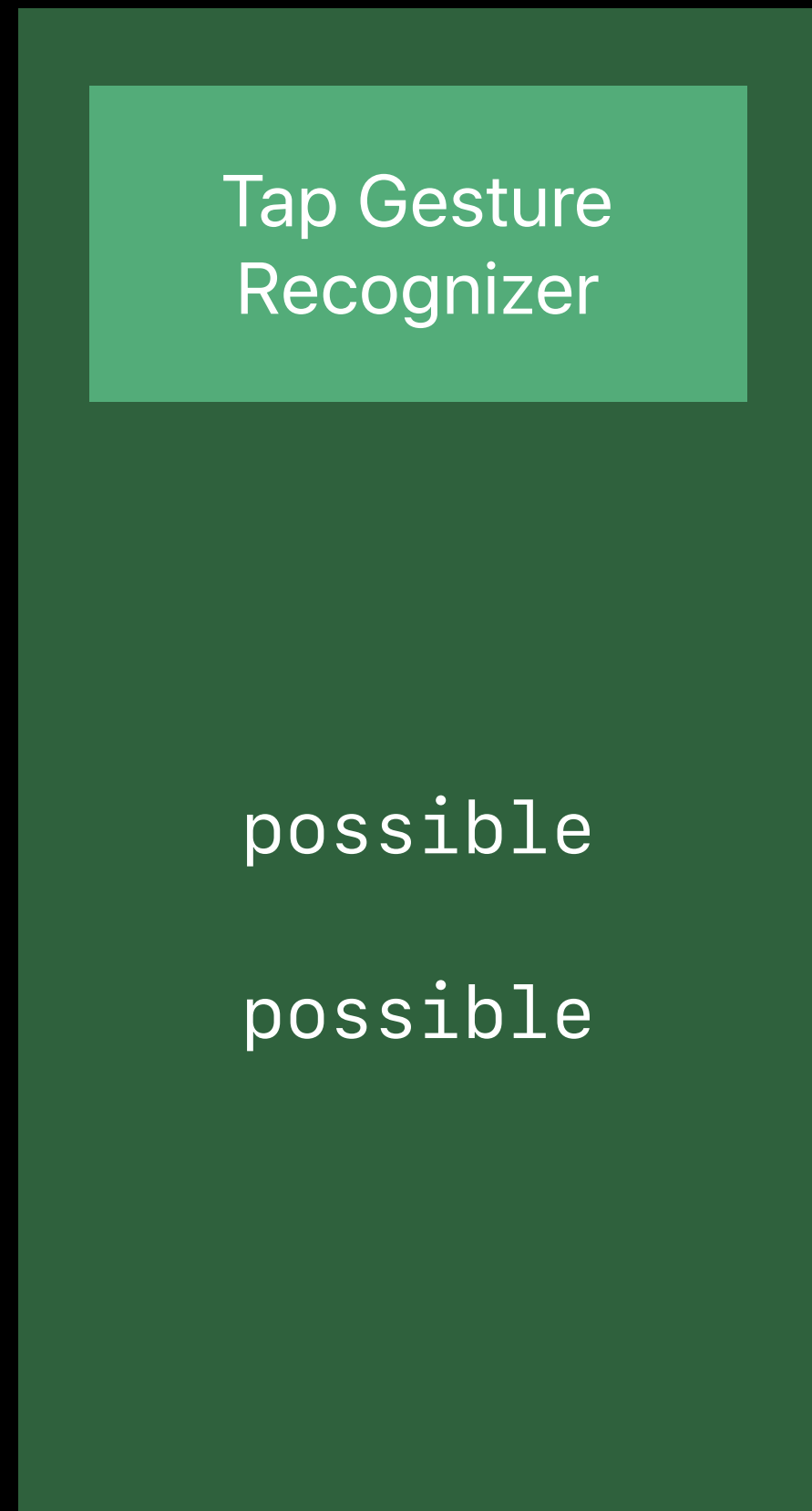
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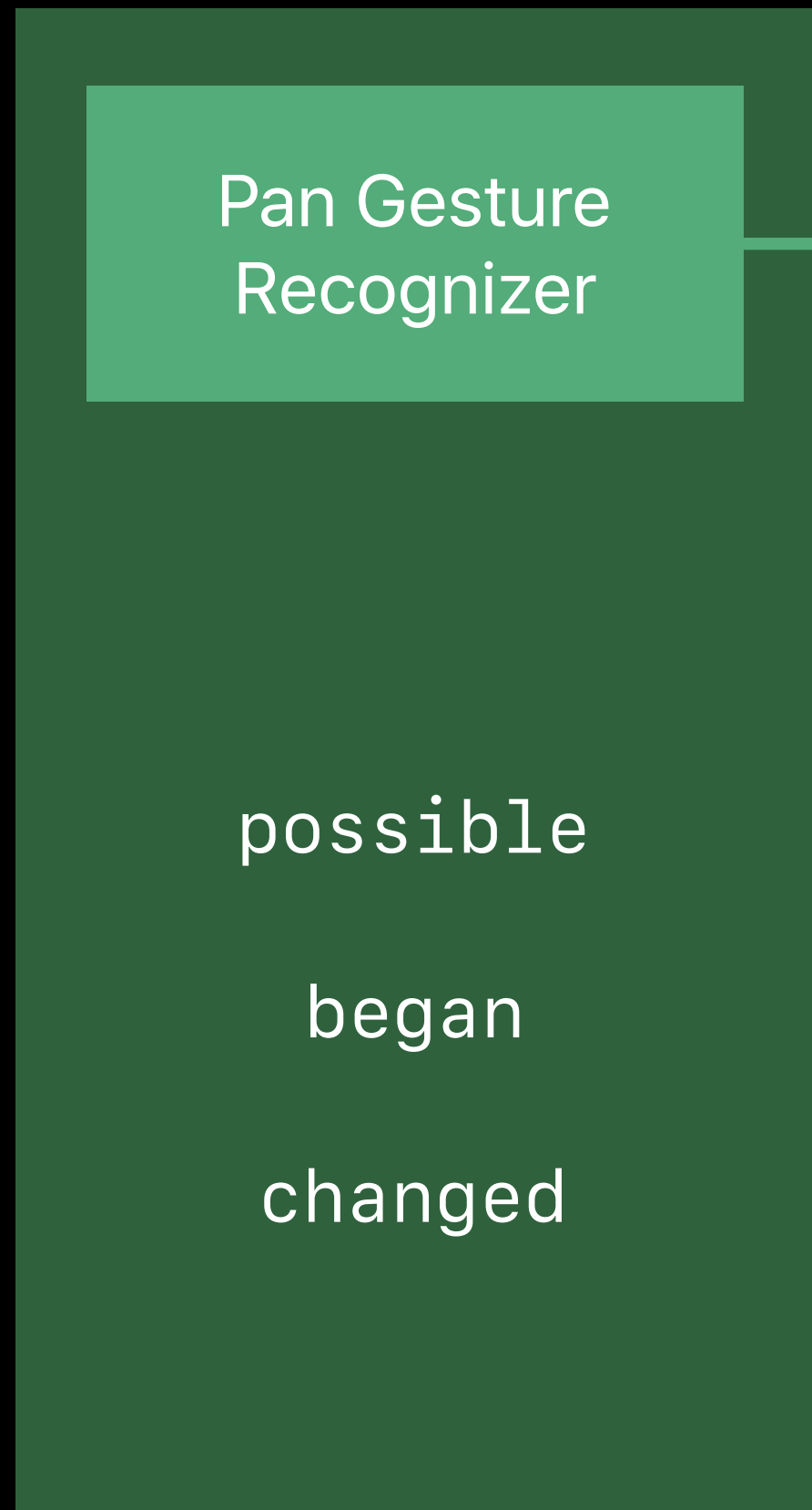
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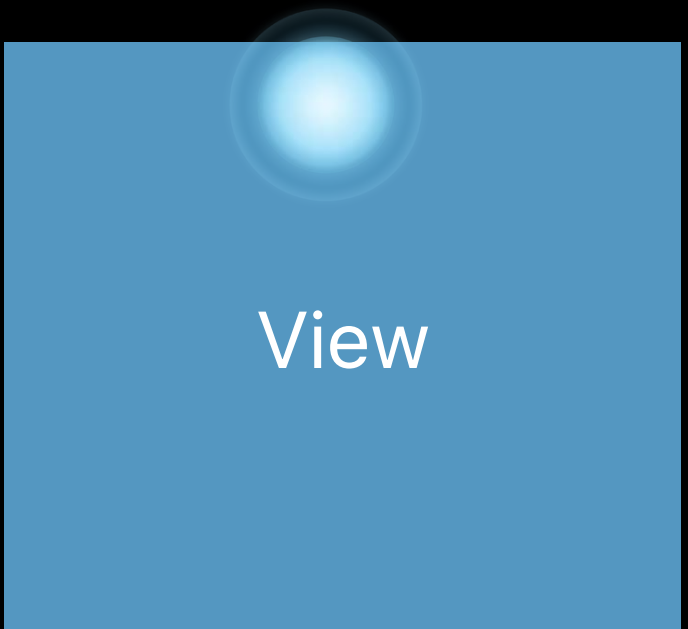
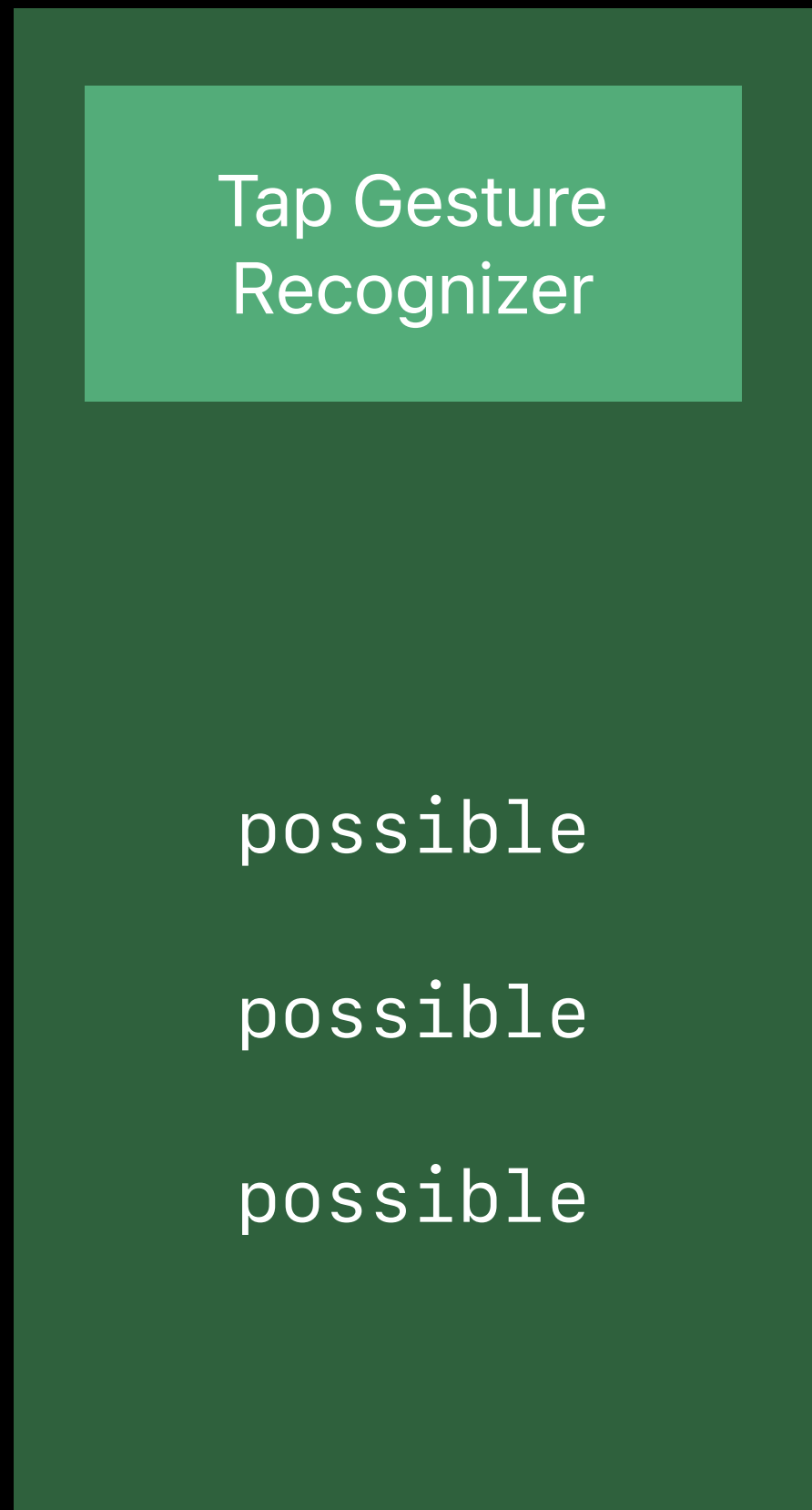
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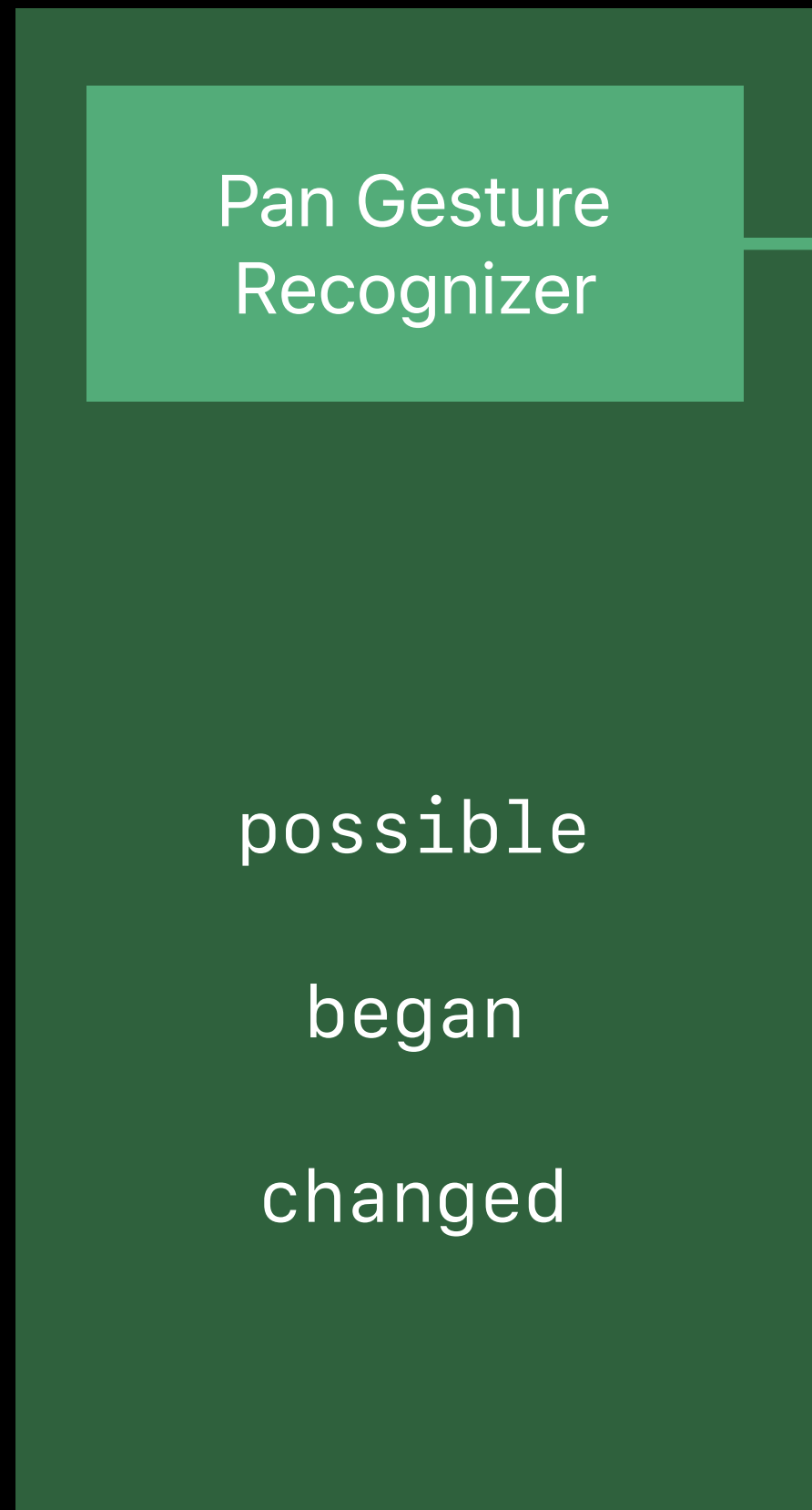
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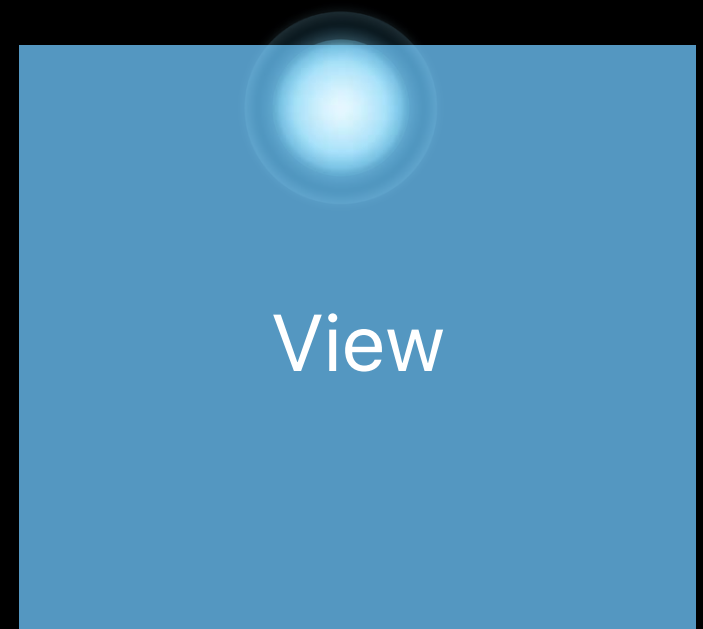
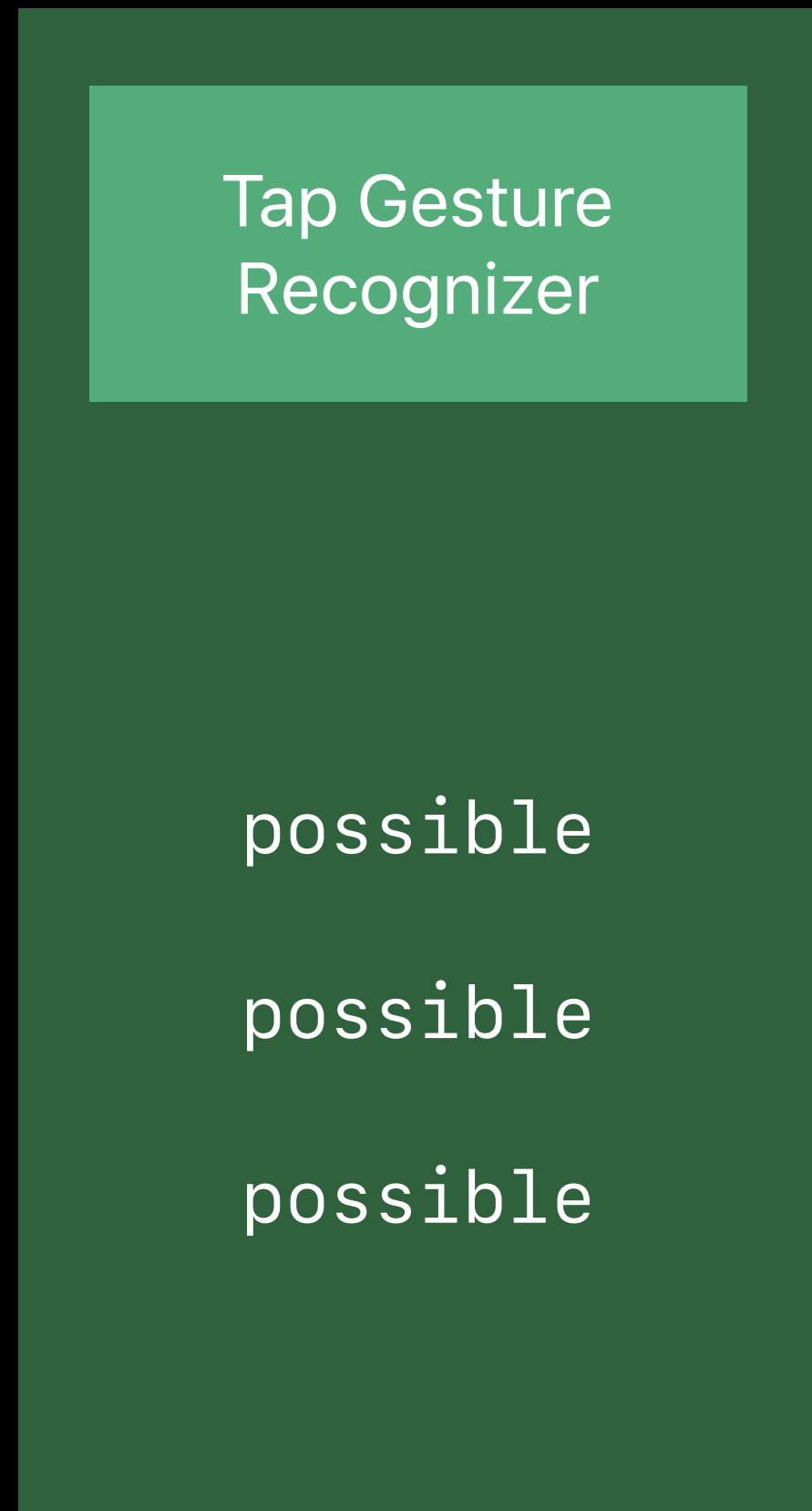
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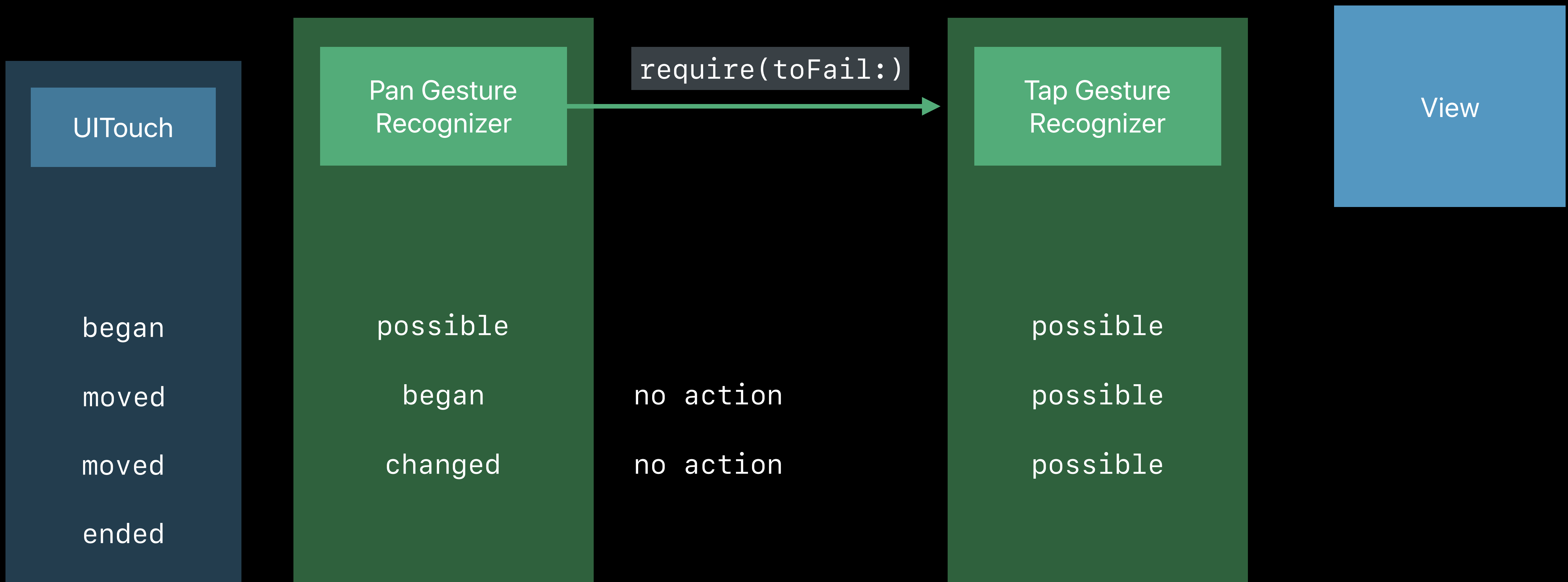


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Pan Gesture Recognizer

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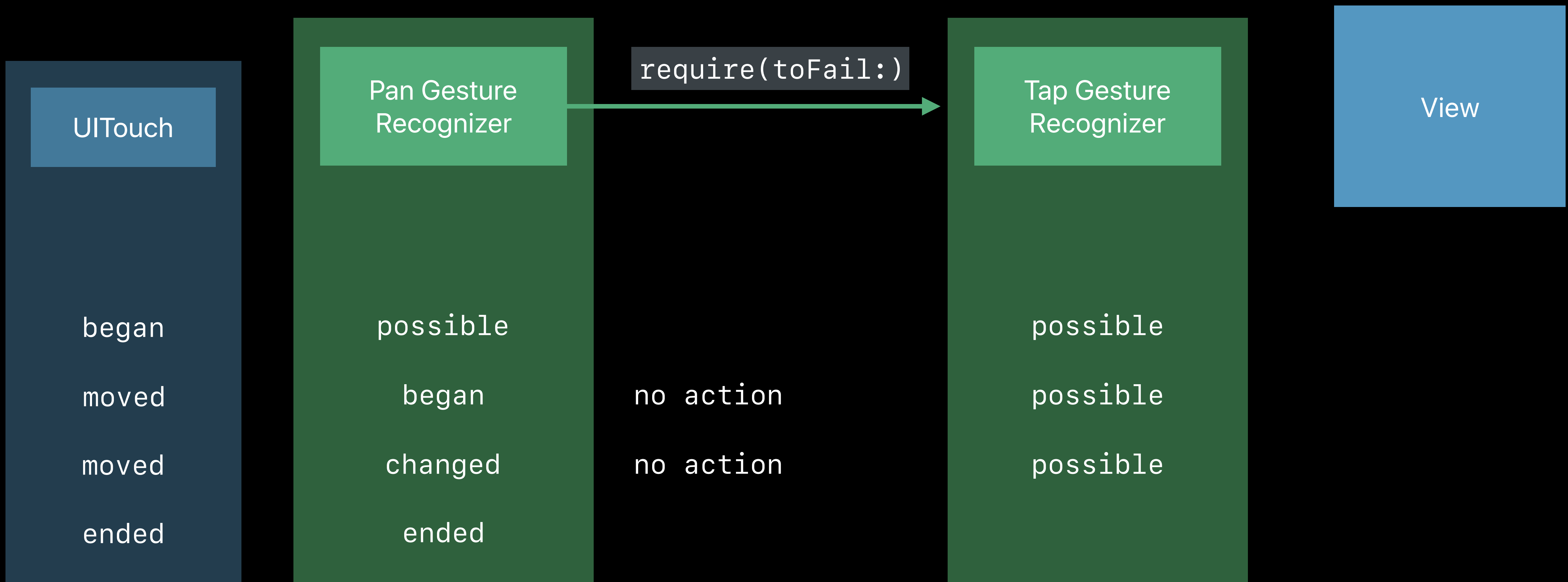
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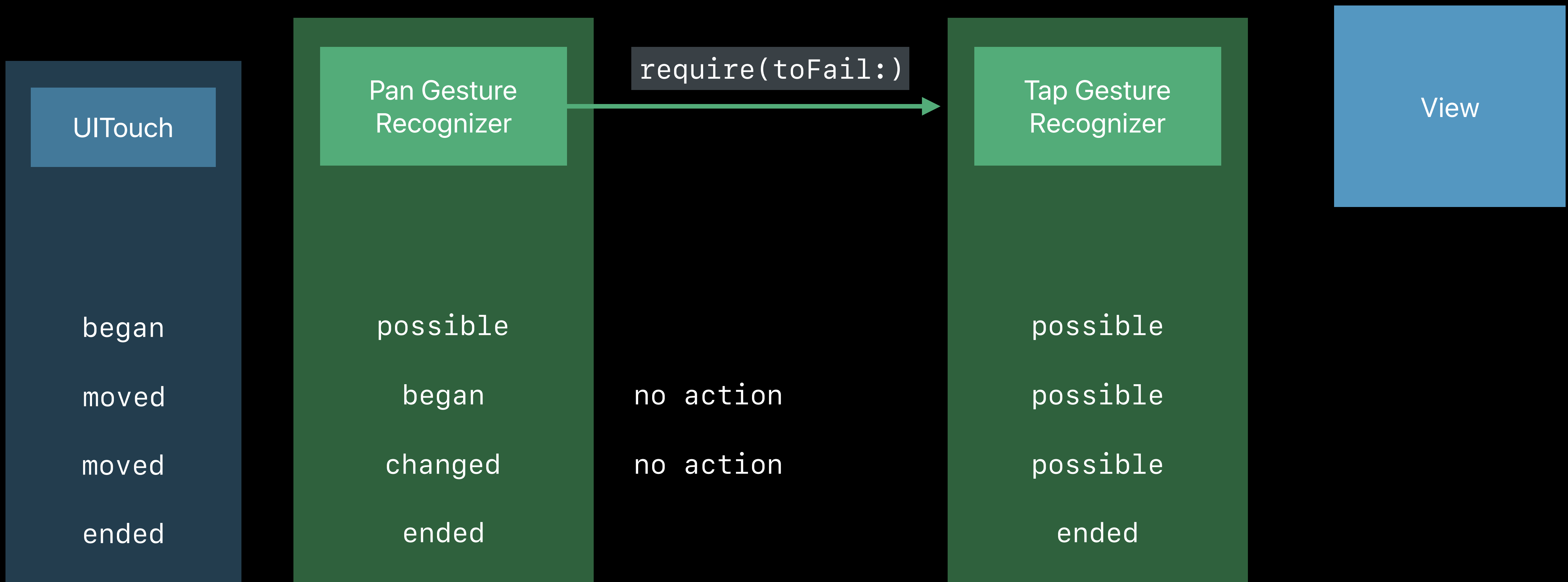
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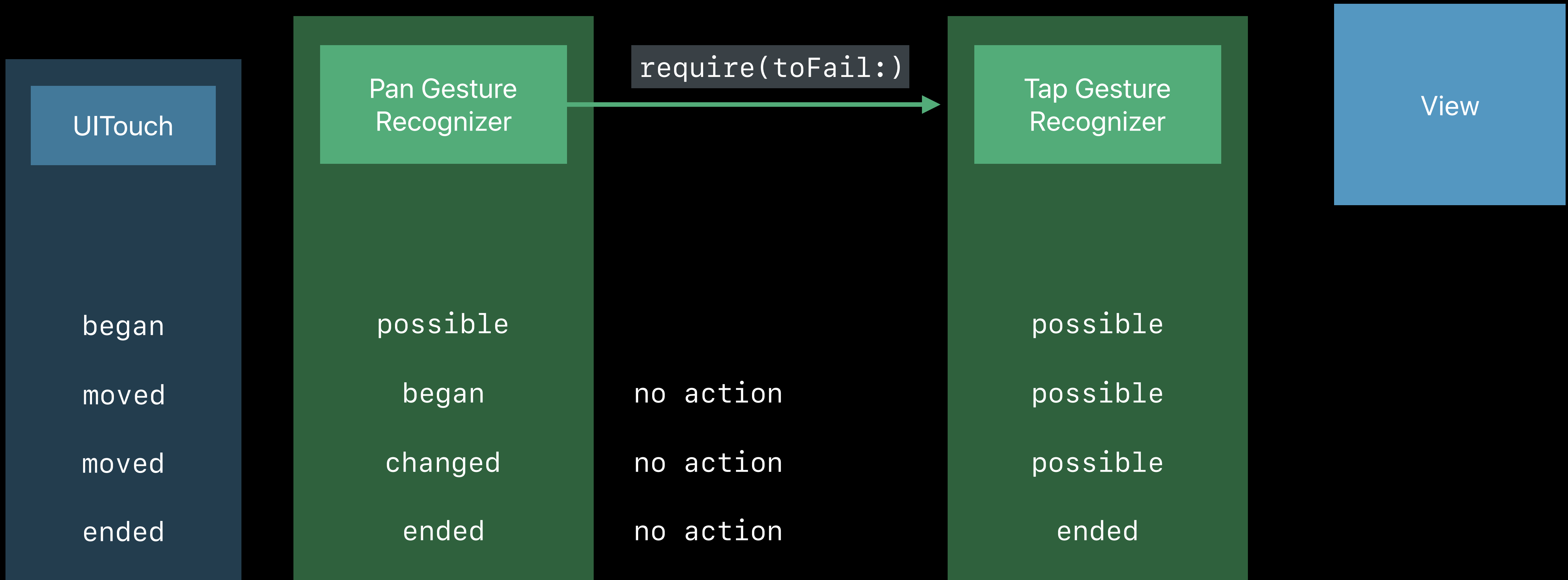
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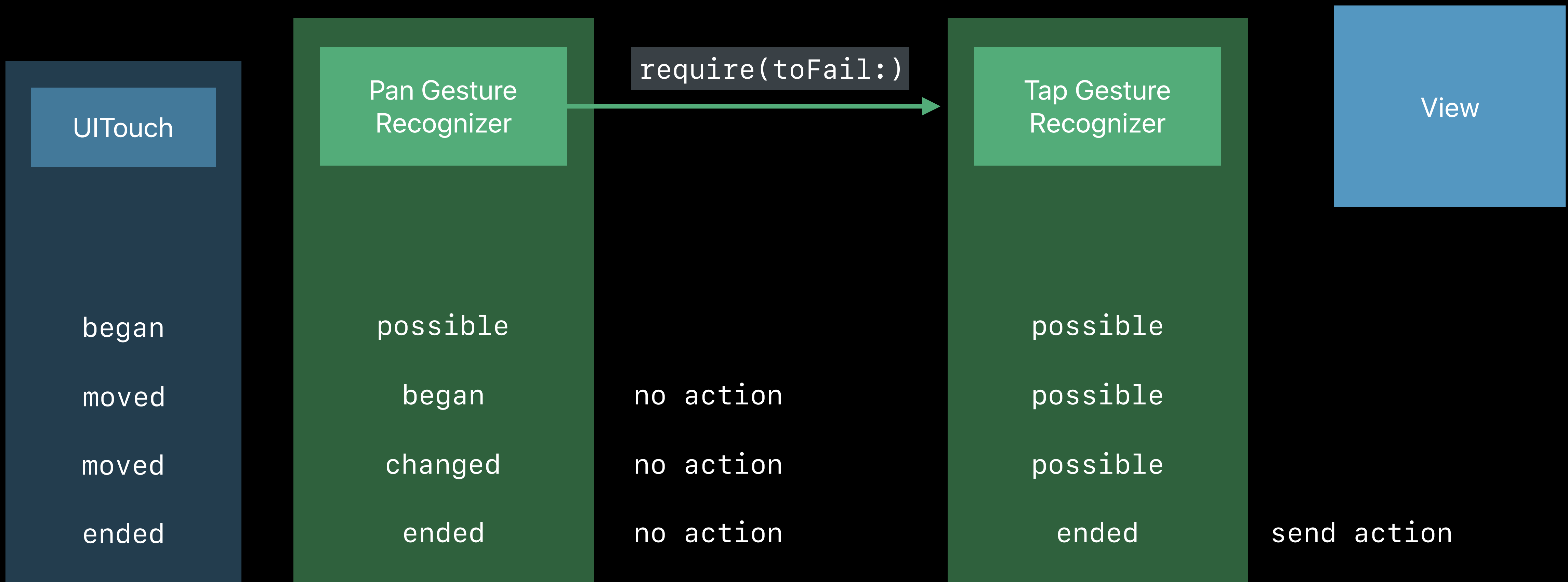
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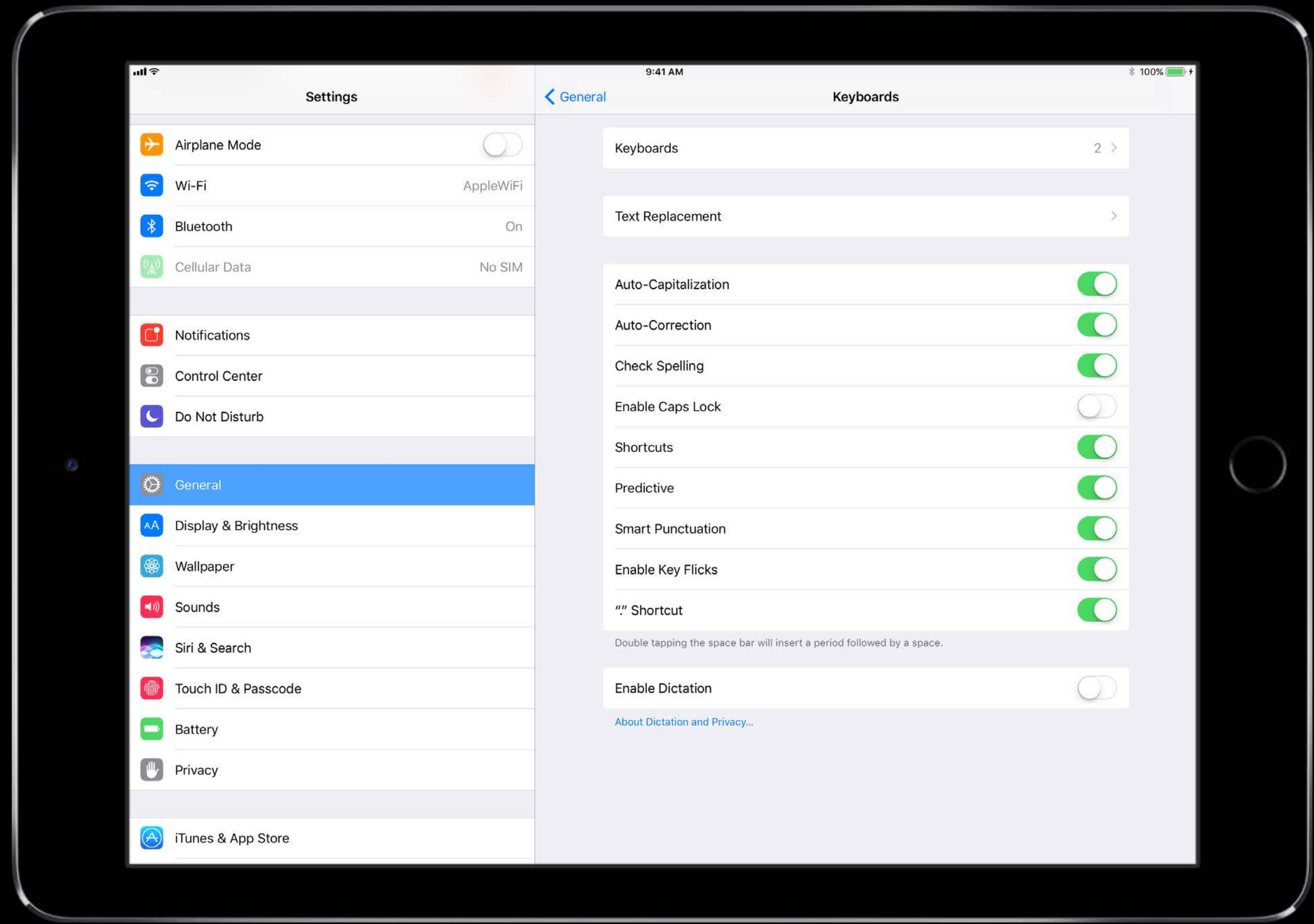
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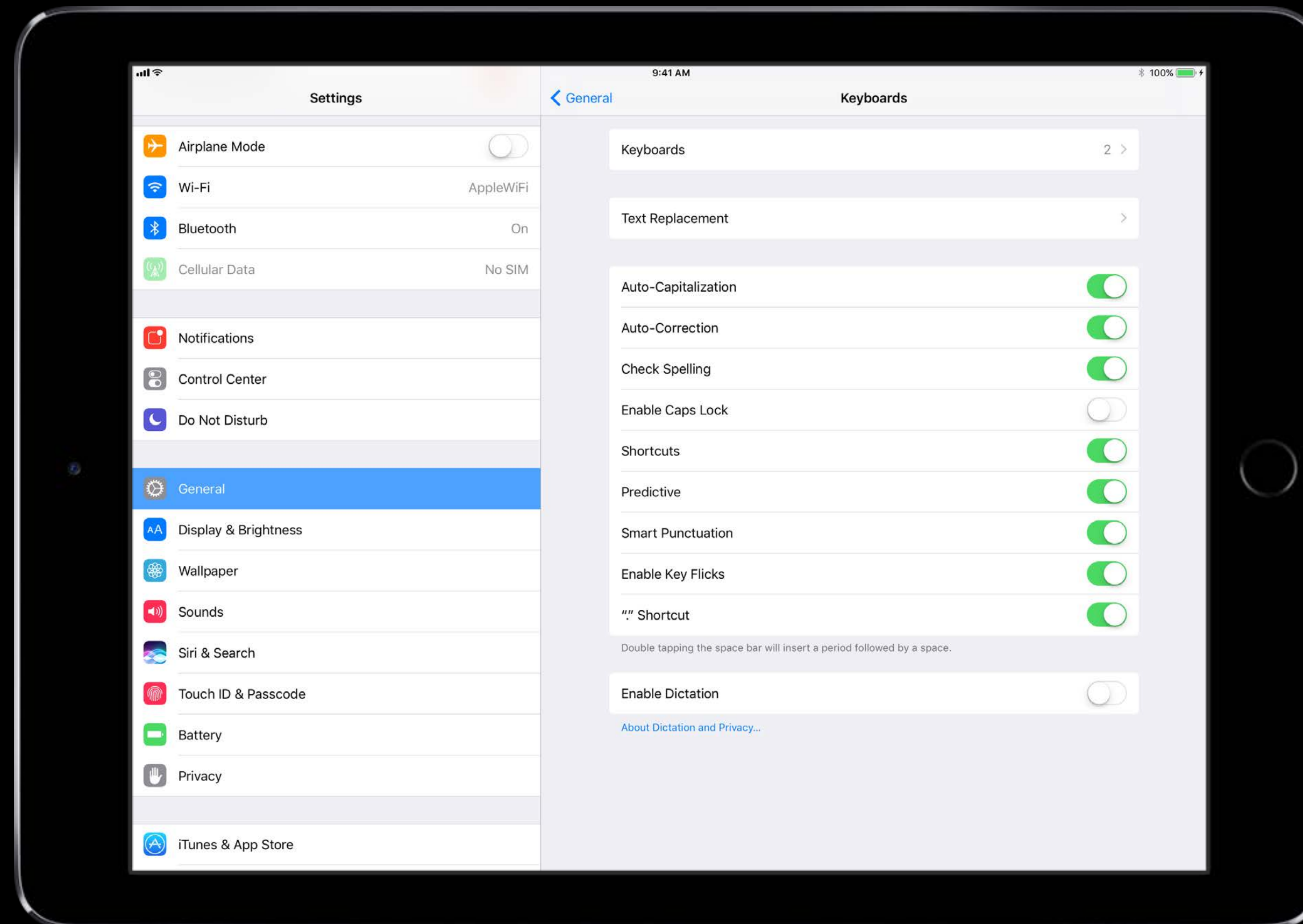


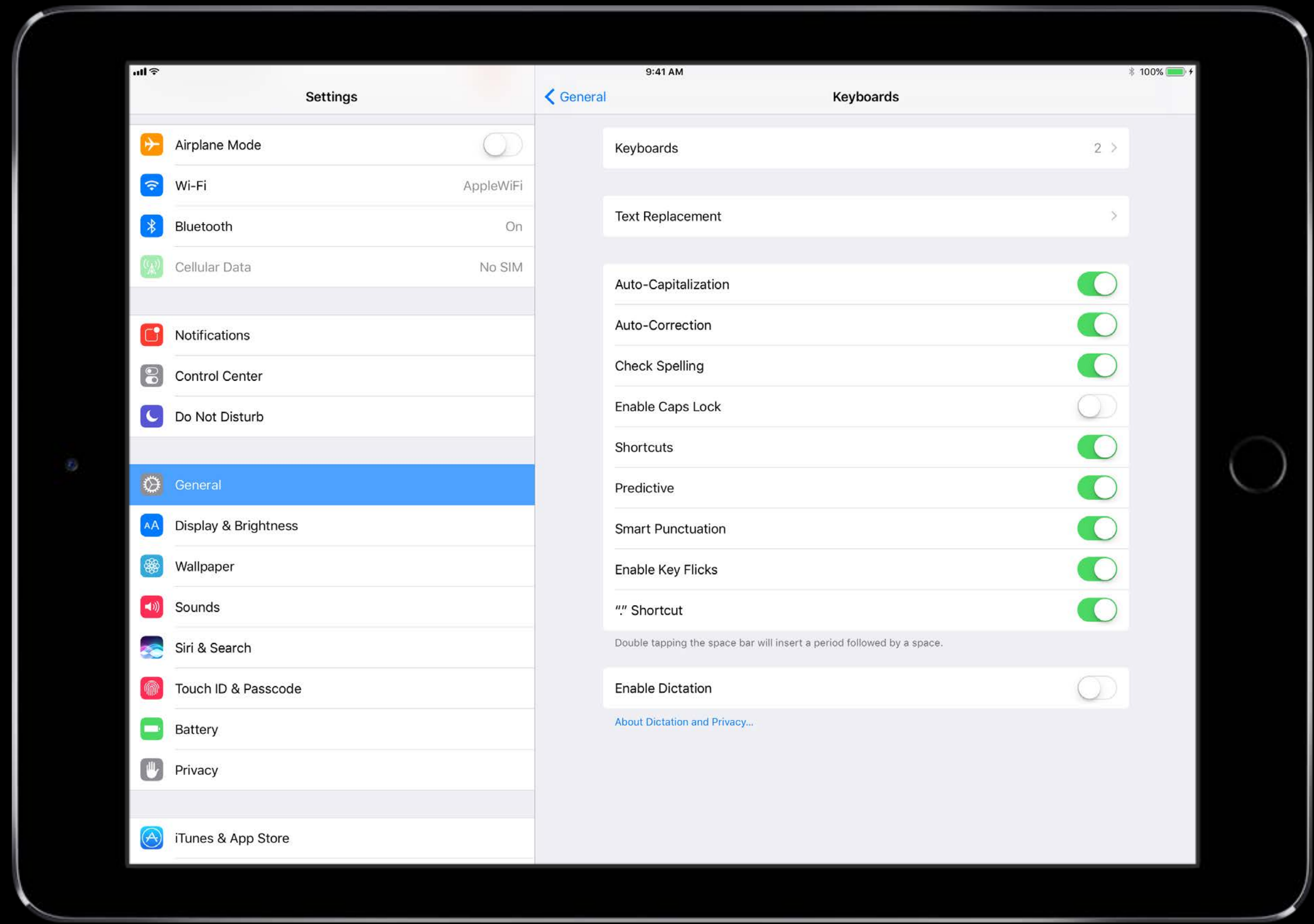


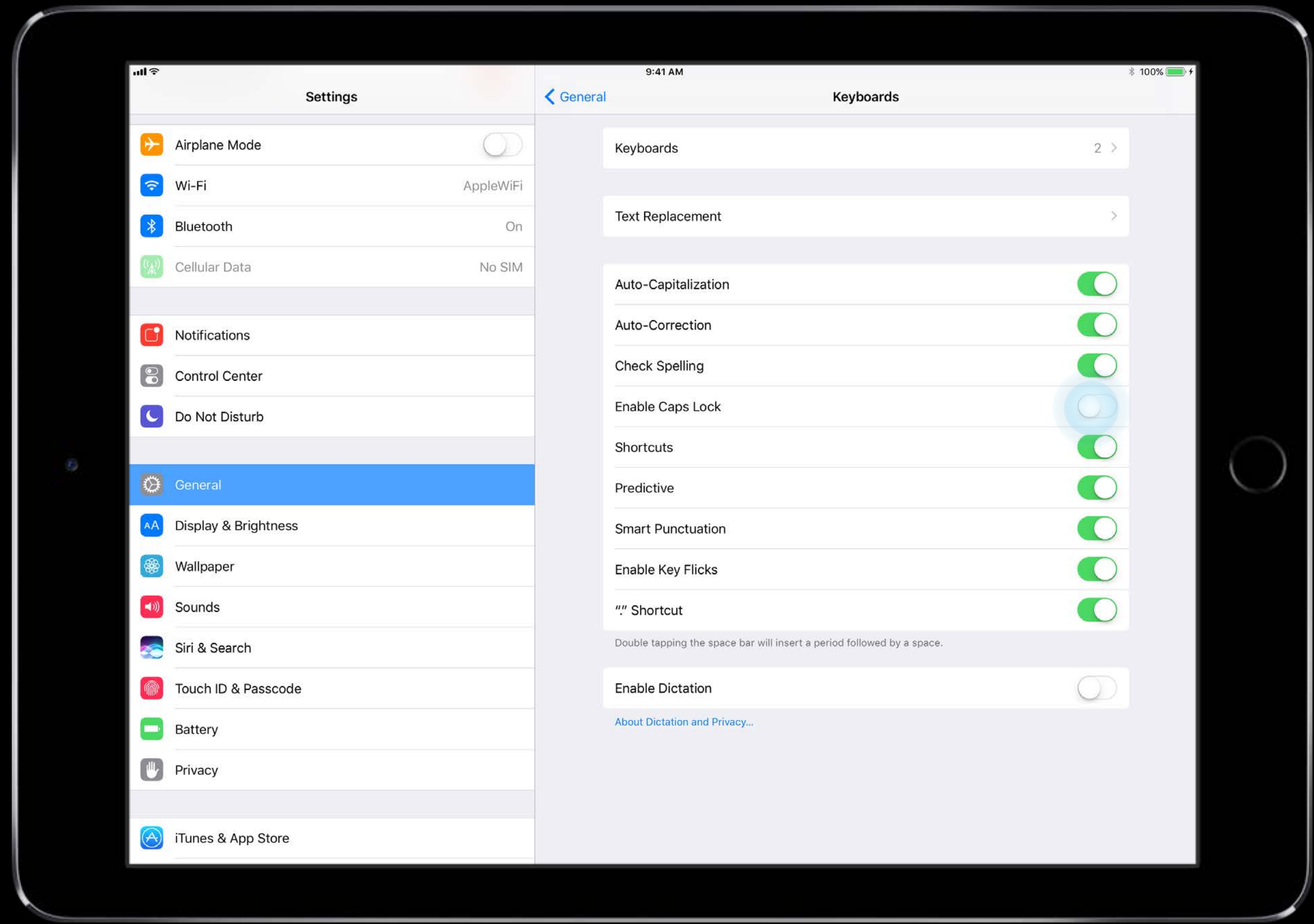




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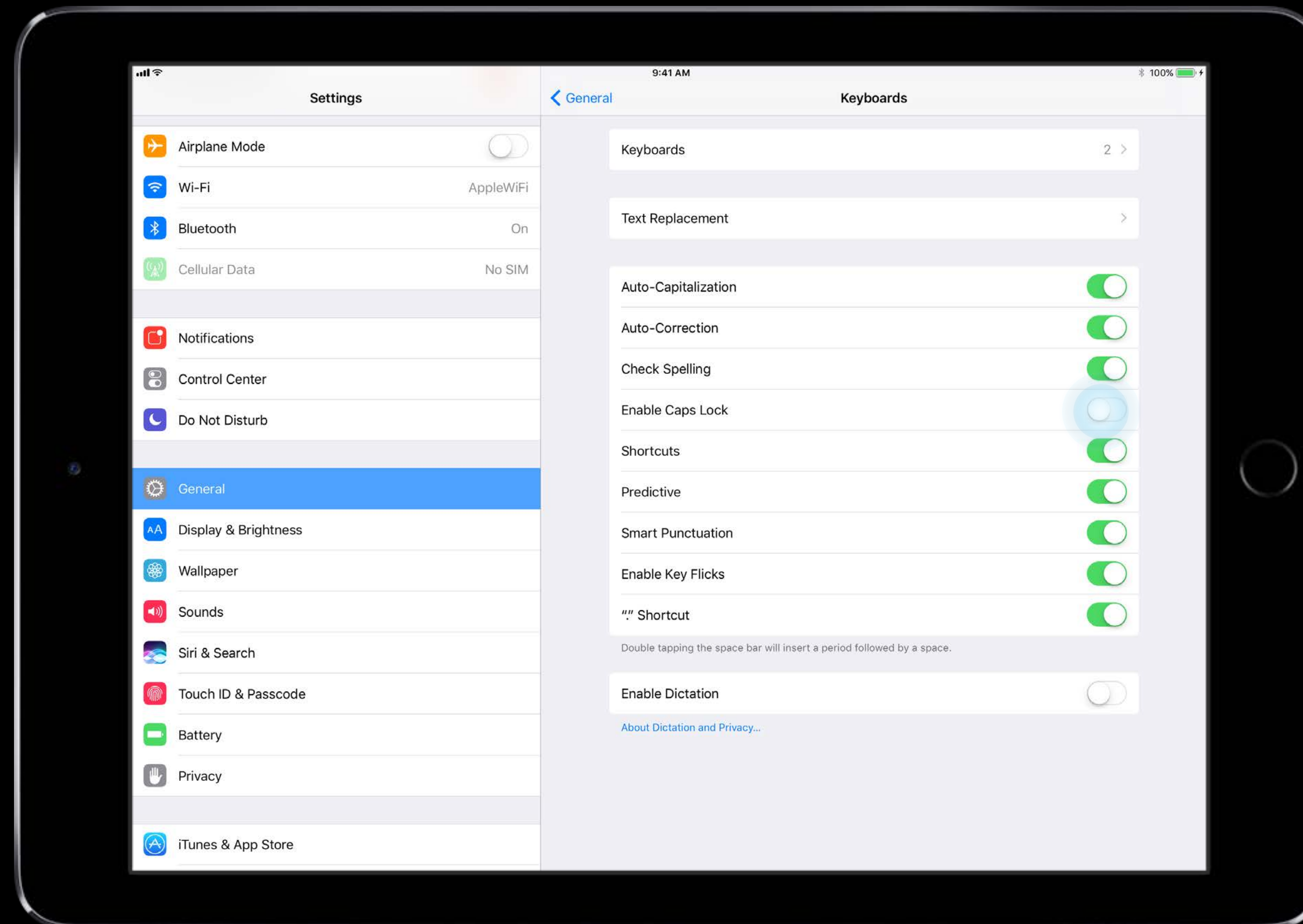




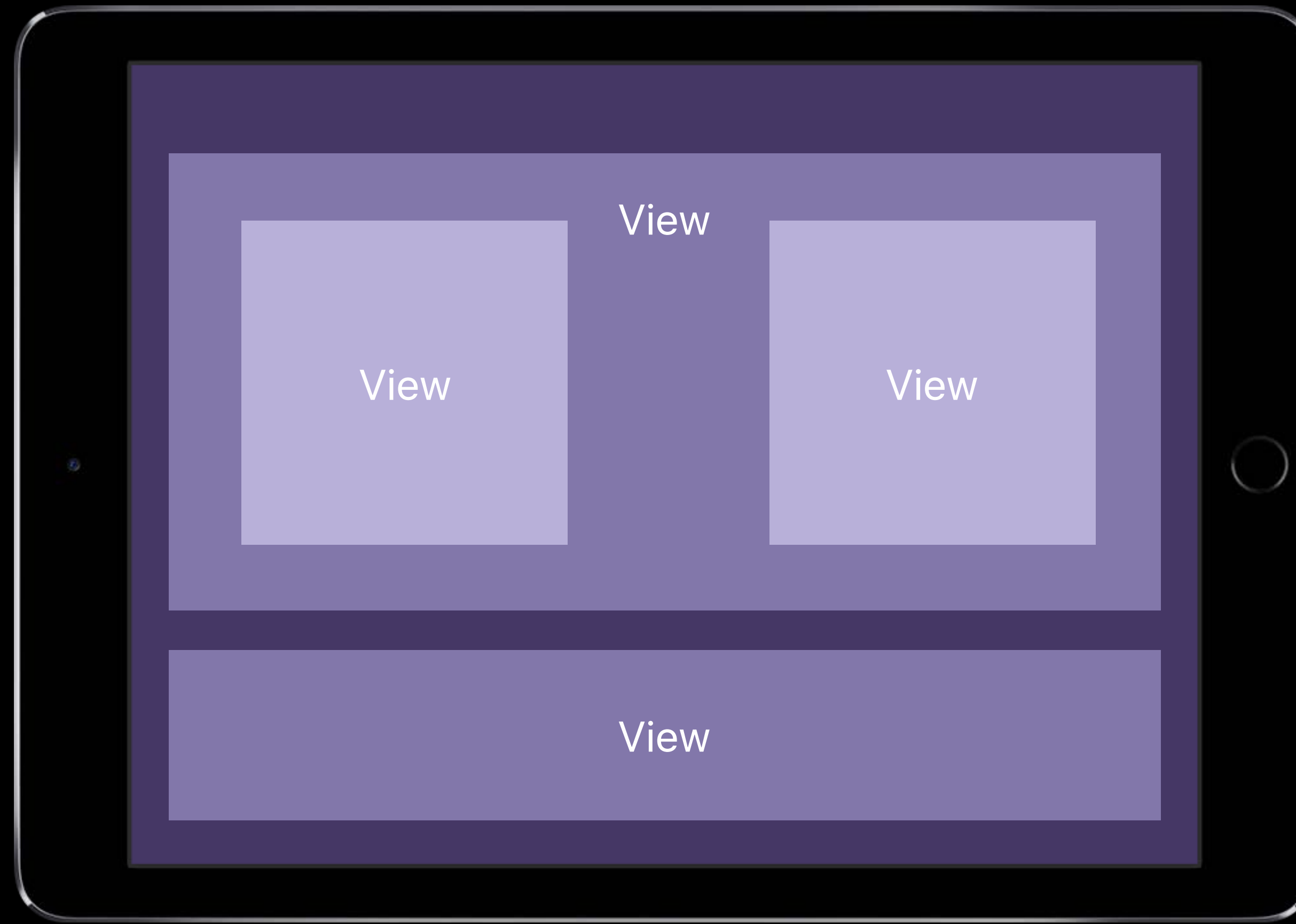




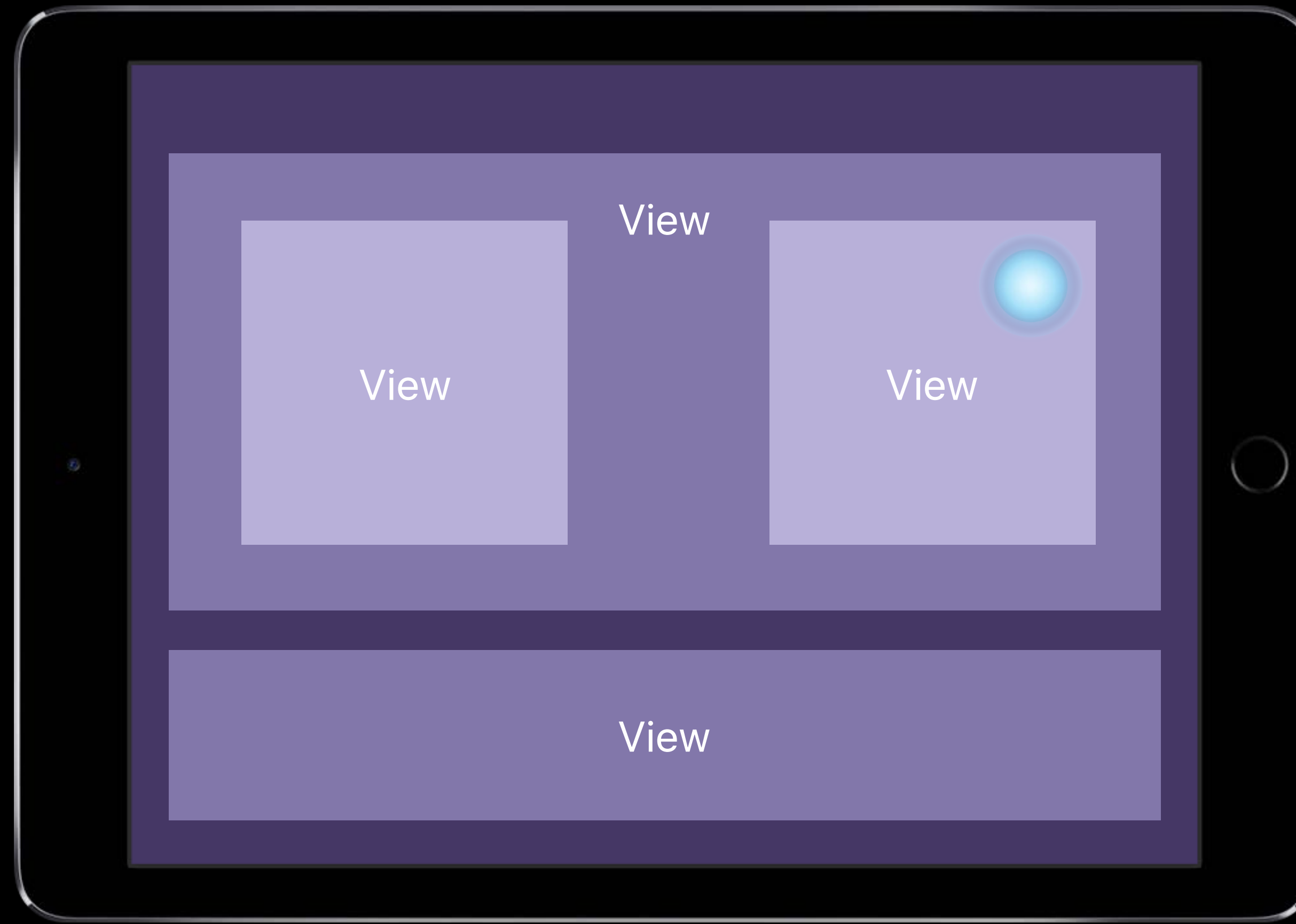
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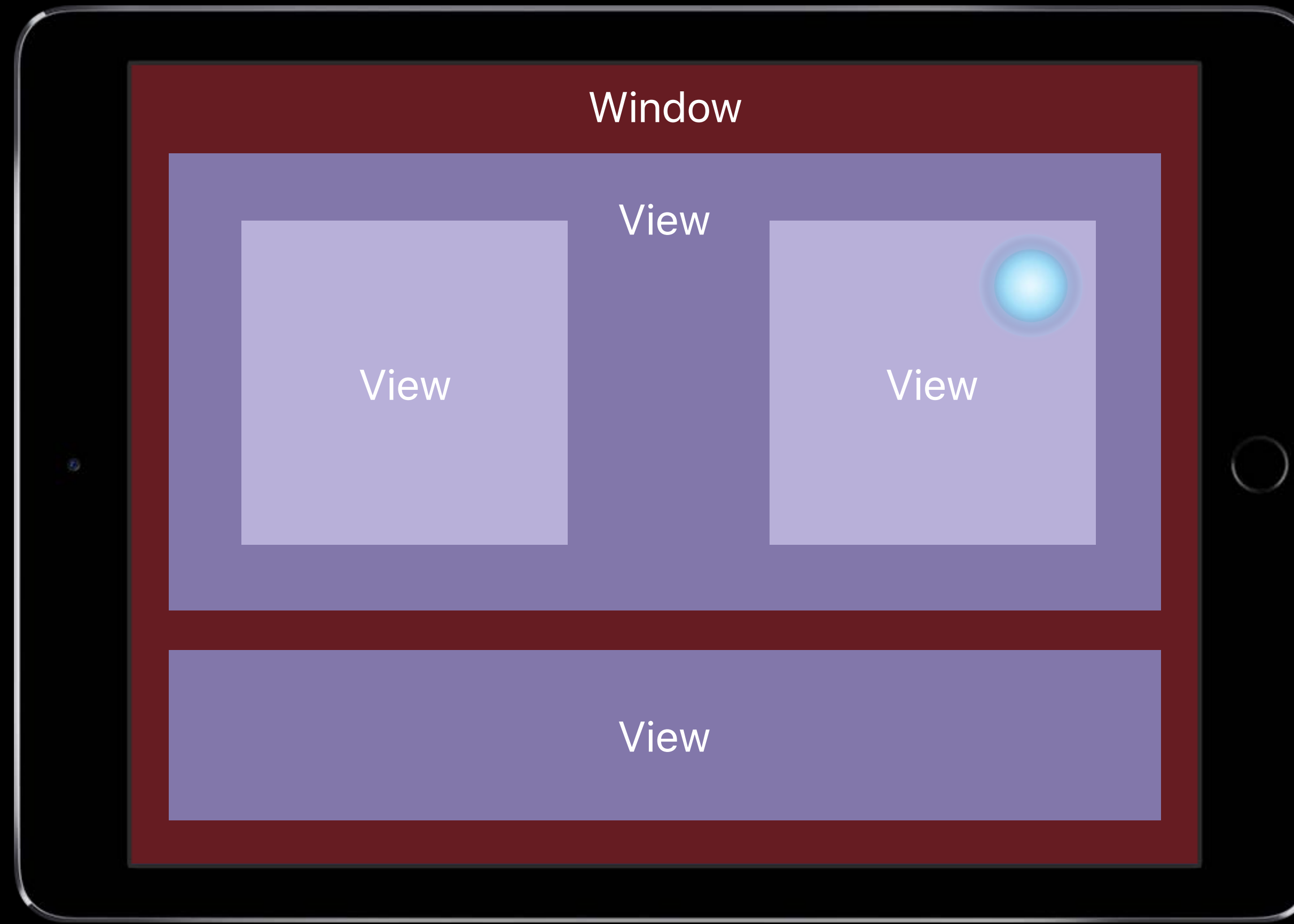
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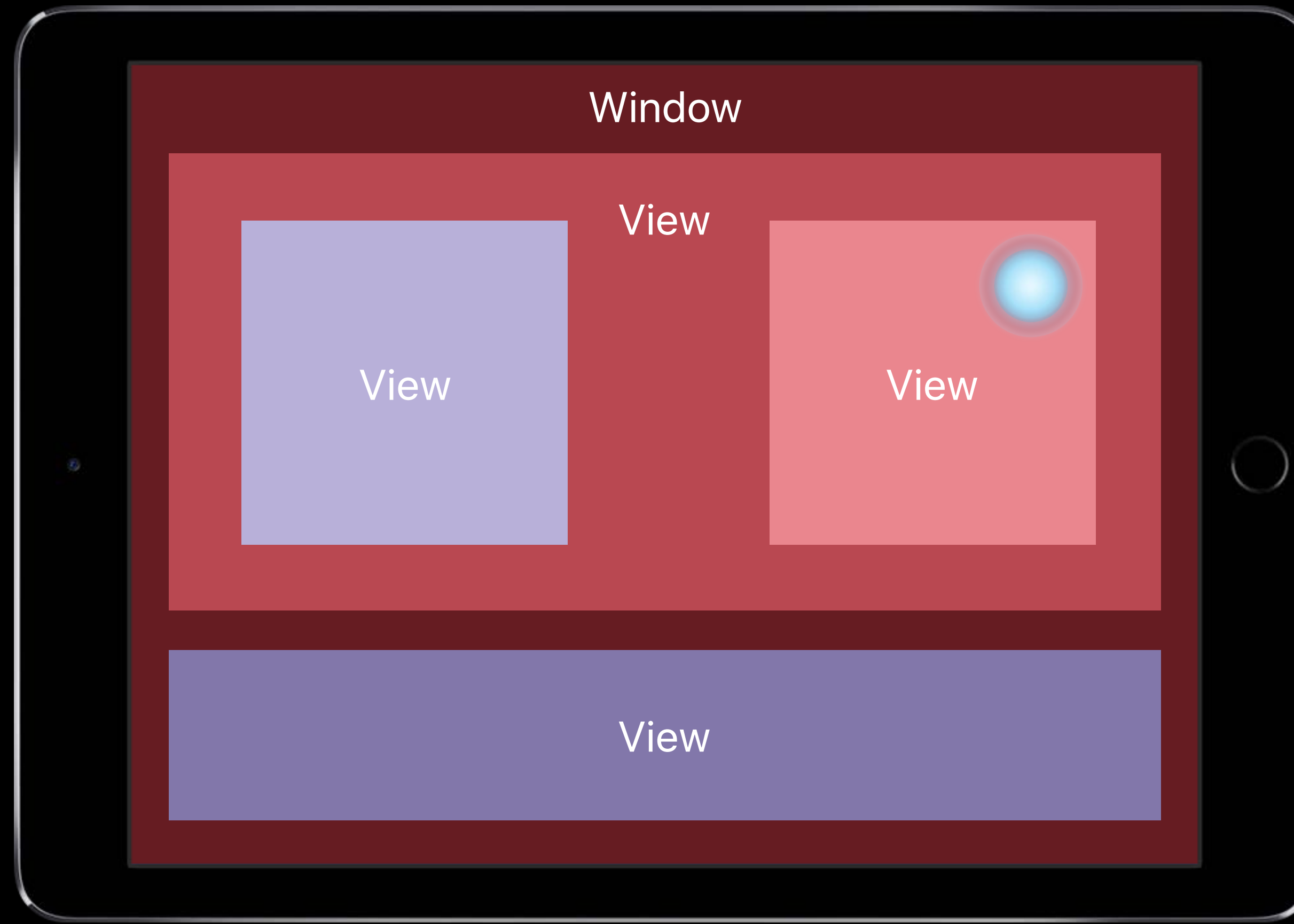
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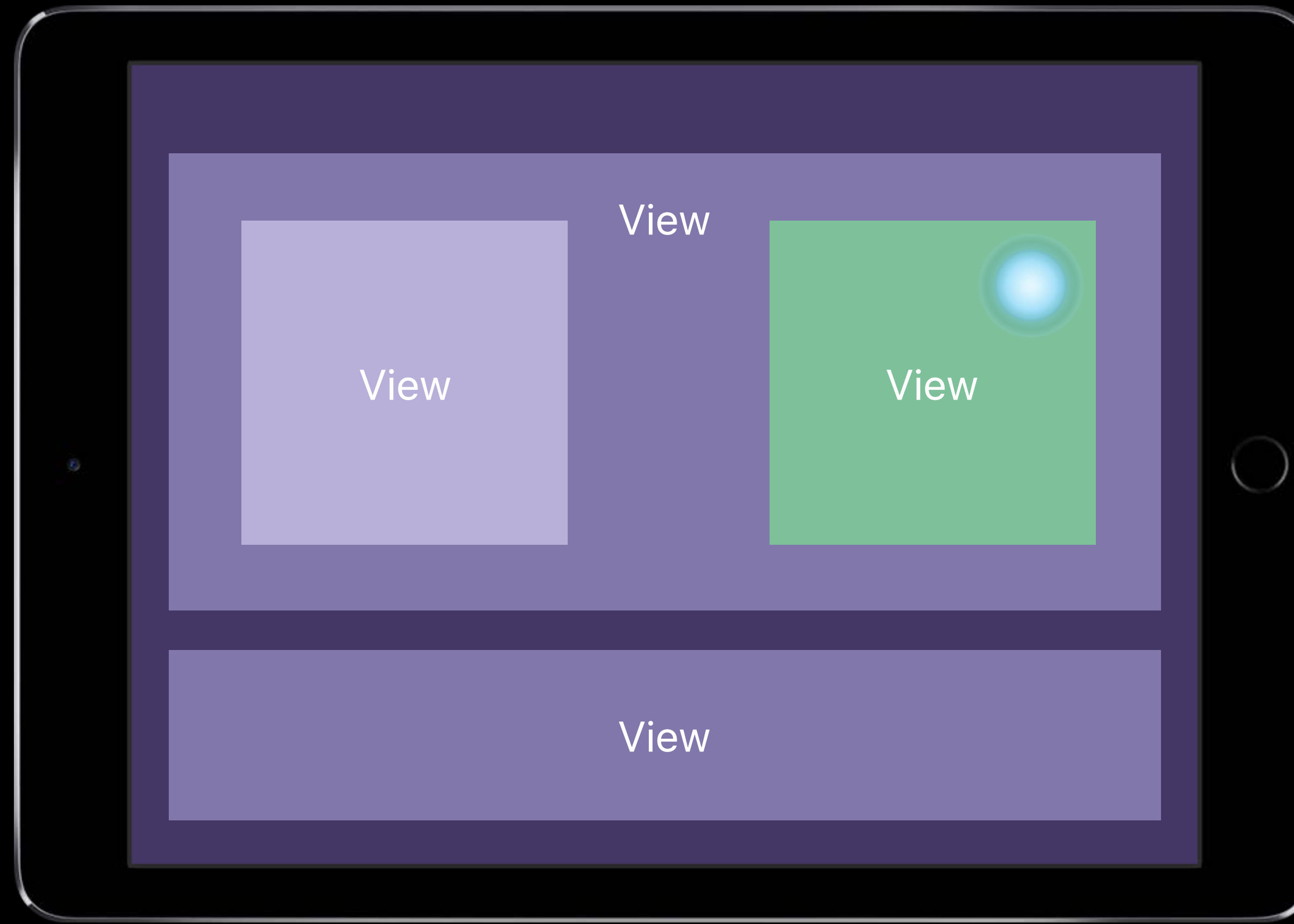
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# Hit Testing and Animations

Presentation layer vs model layer

UIViewPropertyAnimator and `isManualHitTestingEnabled`

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Building Interruptible and Responsive Interactions

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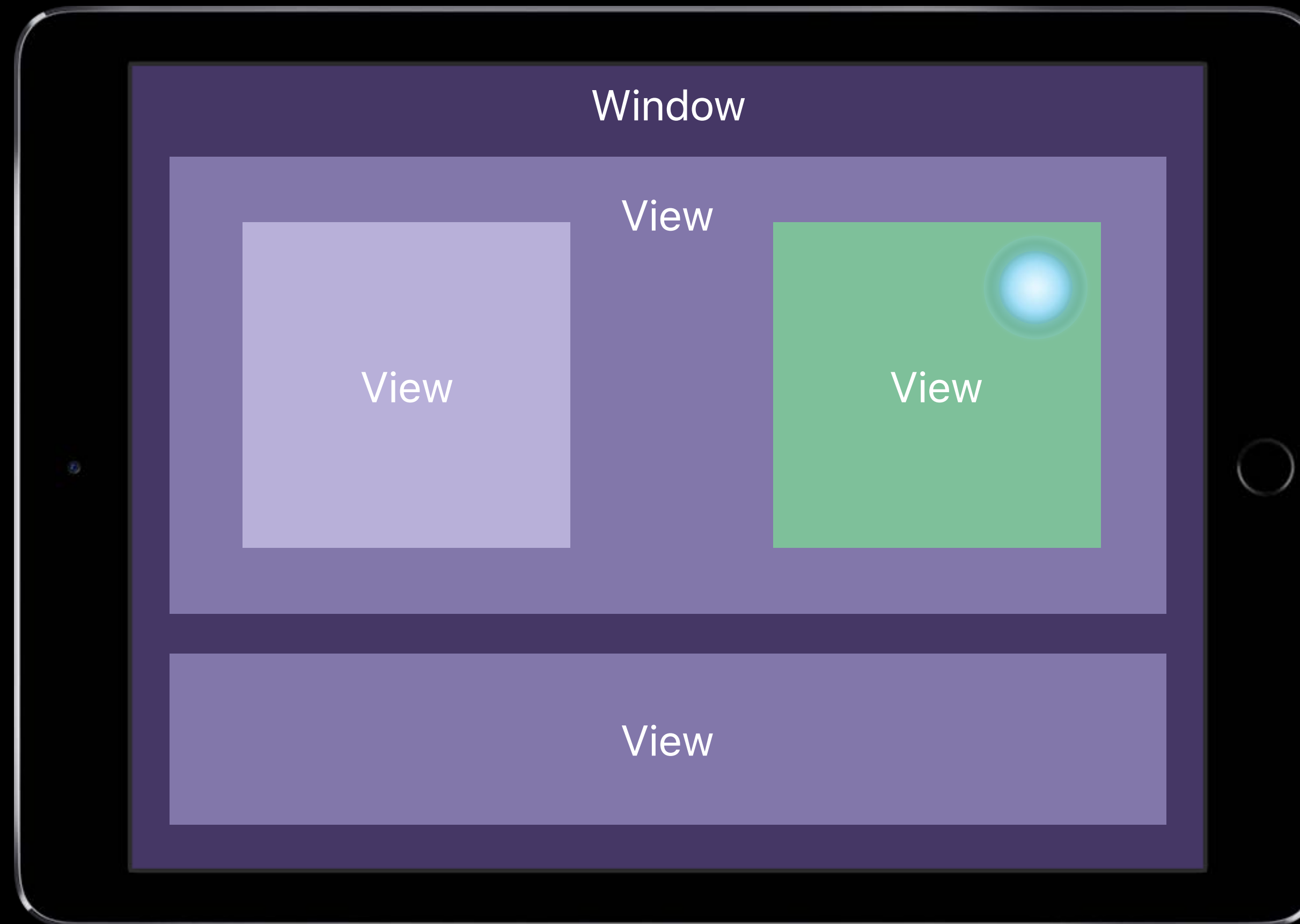
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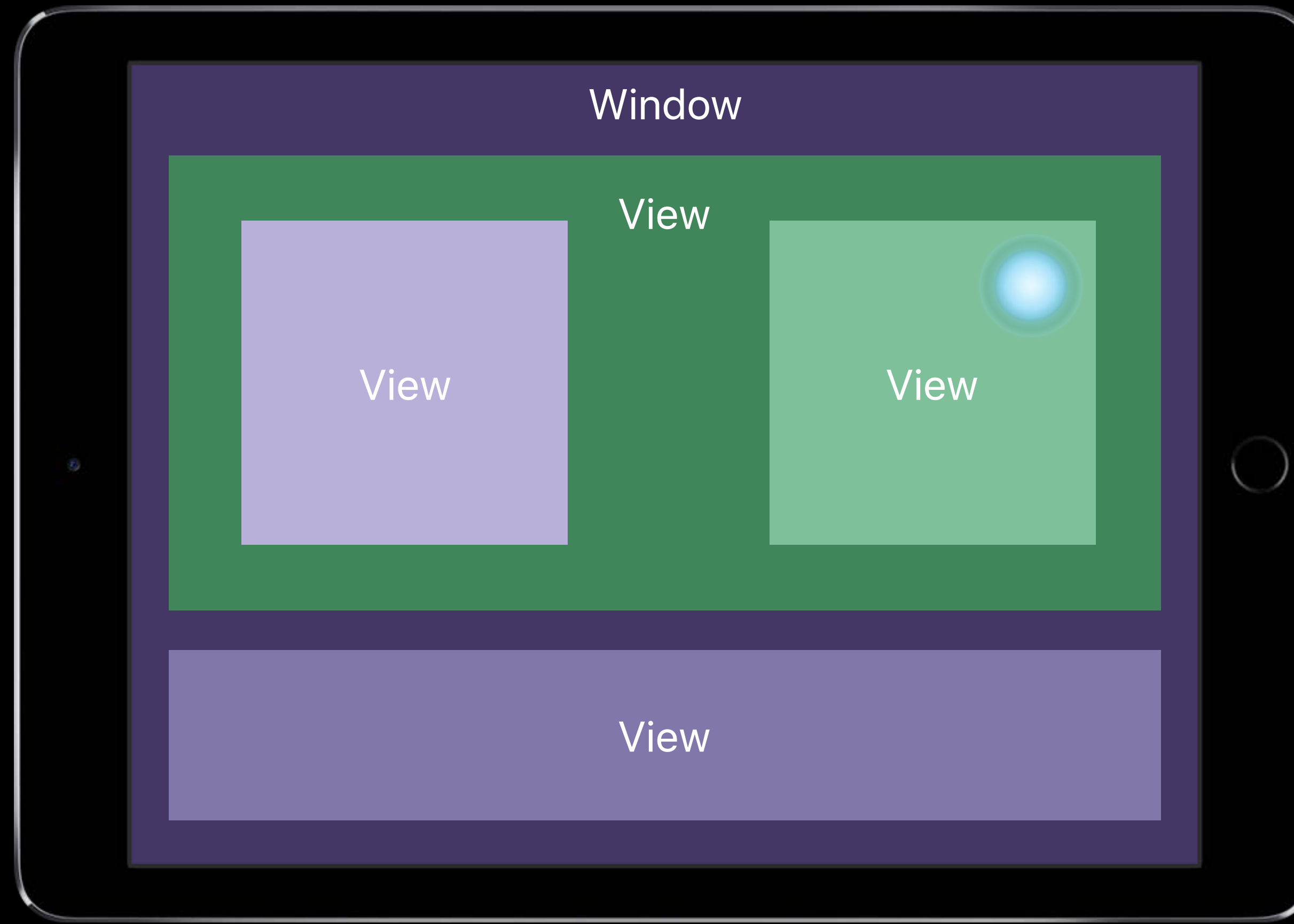
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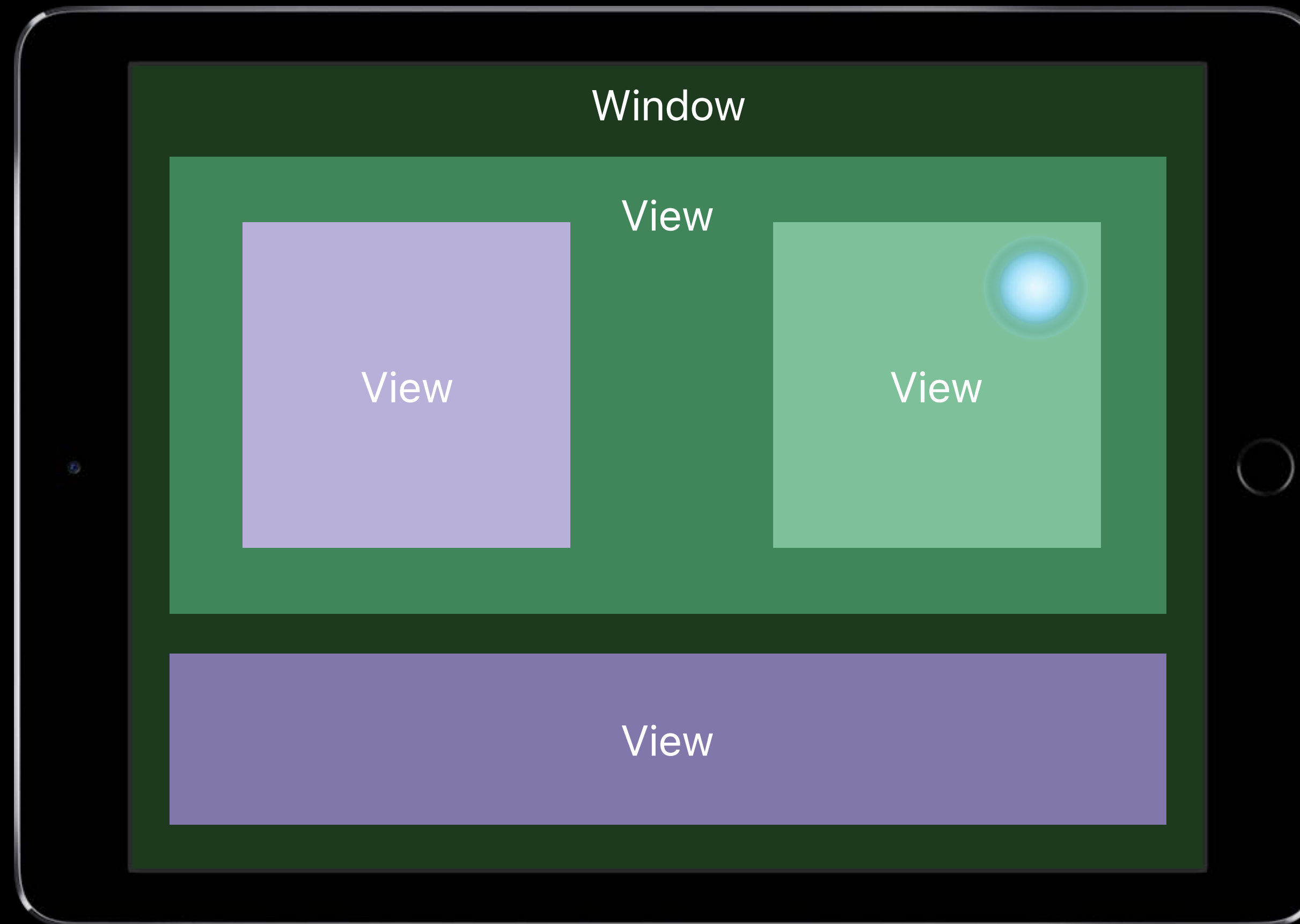
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# New on UIGestureRecognizer



NEW

## Debugging only

```
@available(iOS 11.0, *)  
open var name: String? // name for debugging to appear in logging
```

# Debugging

## Breakpoint opportunities

```
gestureRecognizer(_ gestureRecognizer: UIGestureRecognizer,  
                  shouldReceive touch: UITouch) -> Bool
```

```
touchesBegan(_ touches: Set<UITouch>, with event: UIEvent?)
```

## Things to inspect

```
po touches.first?.gestureRecognizers
```

```
po event?.touches(for:someGestureRecognizer)
```

```
po touches.first?.view?.superview?.gestureRecognizers
```



# Custom UIGestureRecognizer

Begin late and fail fast!

Ignore touches `ignore(_ touch:, for event:)`

Don't forget `touchesCancelled(_:with:)`

# Gesture Recognizer System

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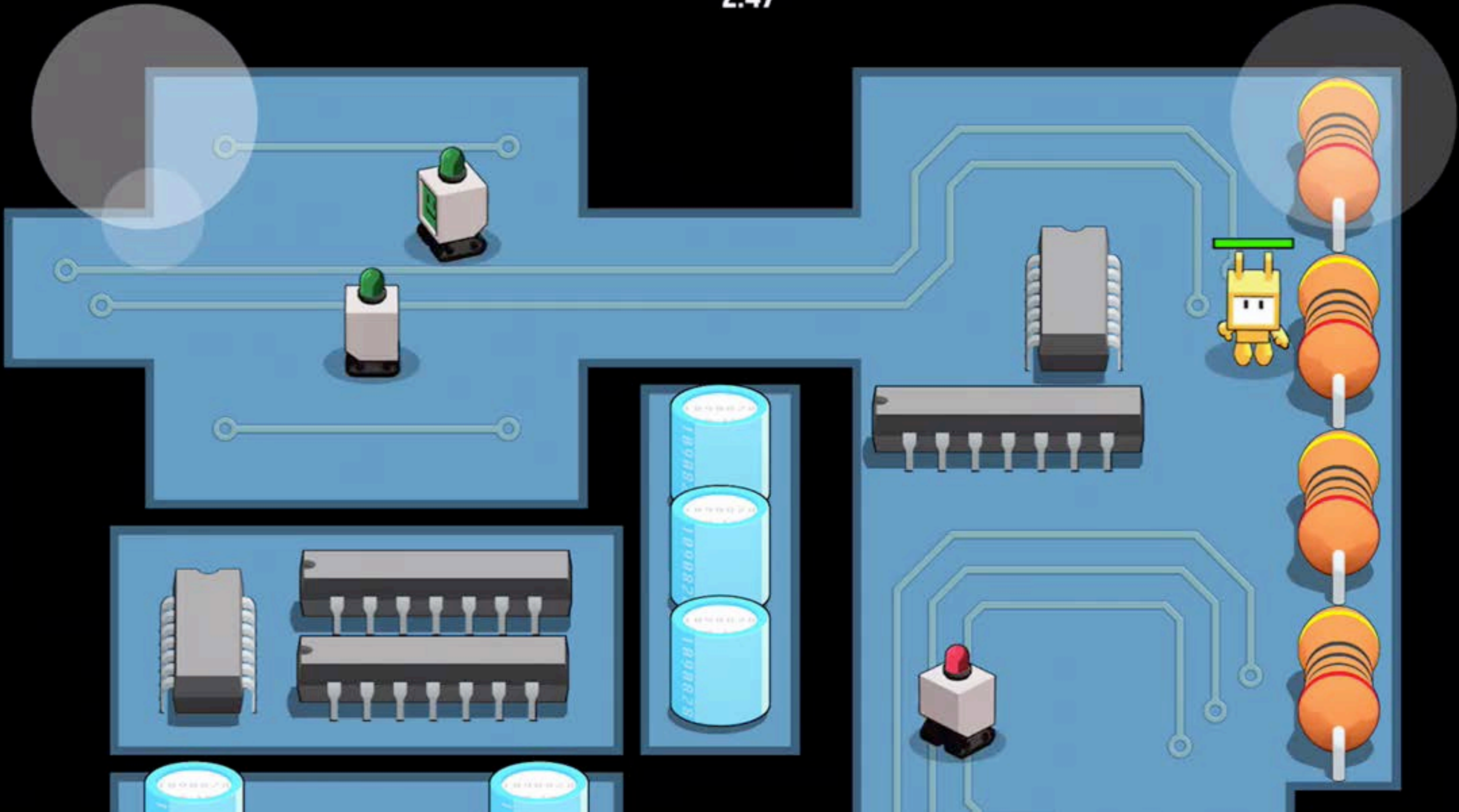
Exclusion and failure requirements

Are your gesture recognizers on the right views?

# System Gesture Interaction

Glen Low, UIKit Engineer

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Cover Sheet or Killjoy?



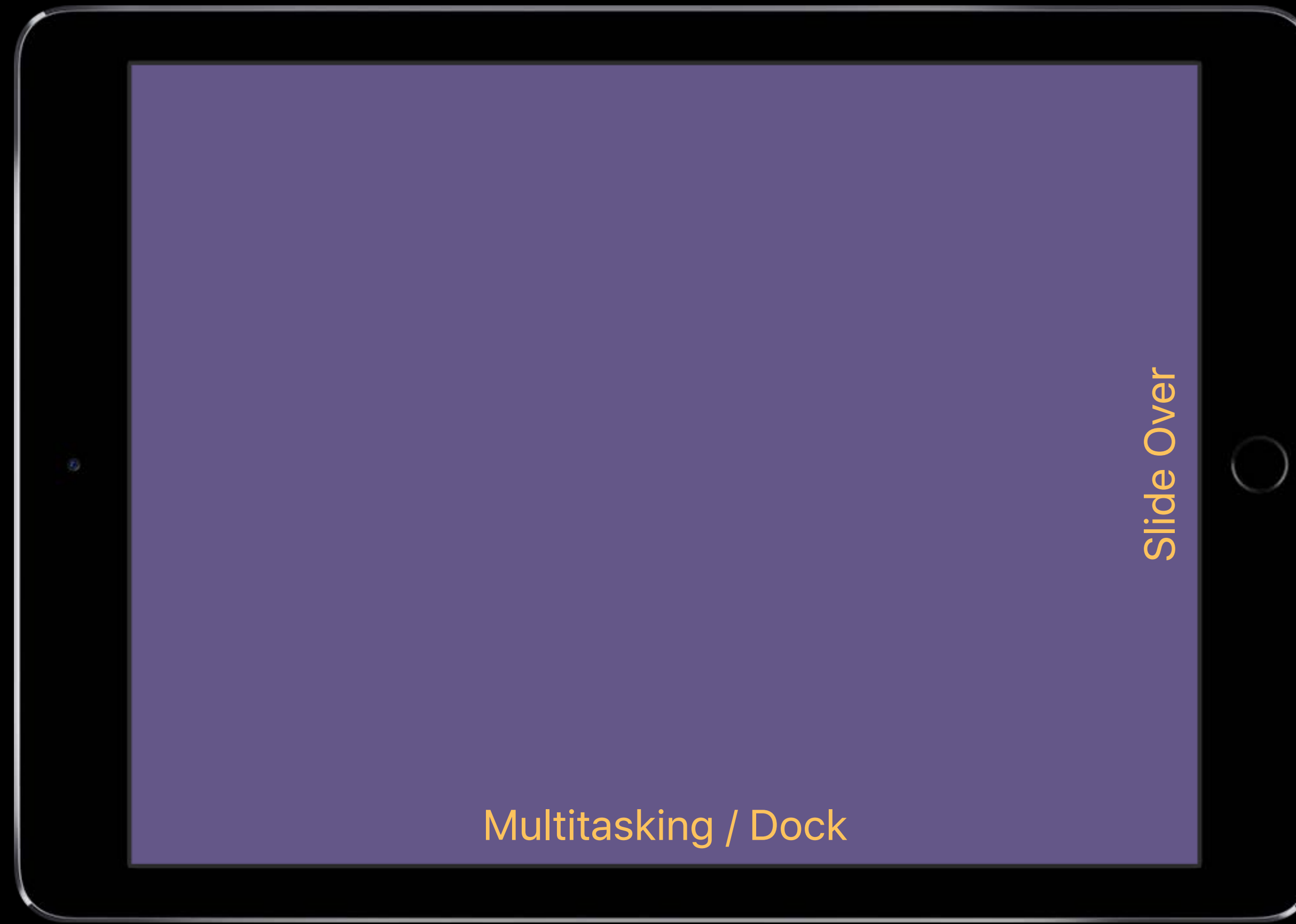
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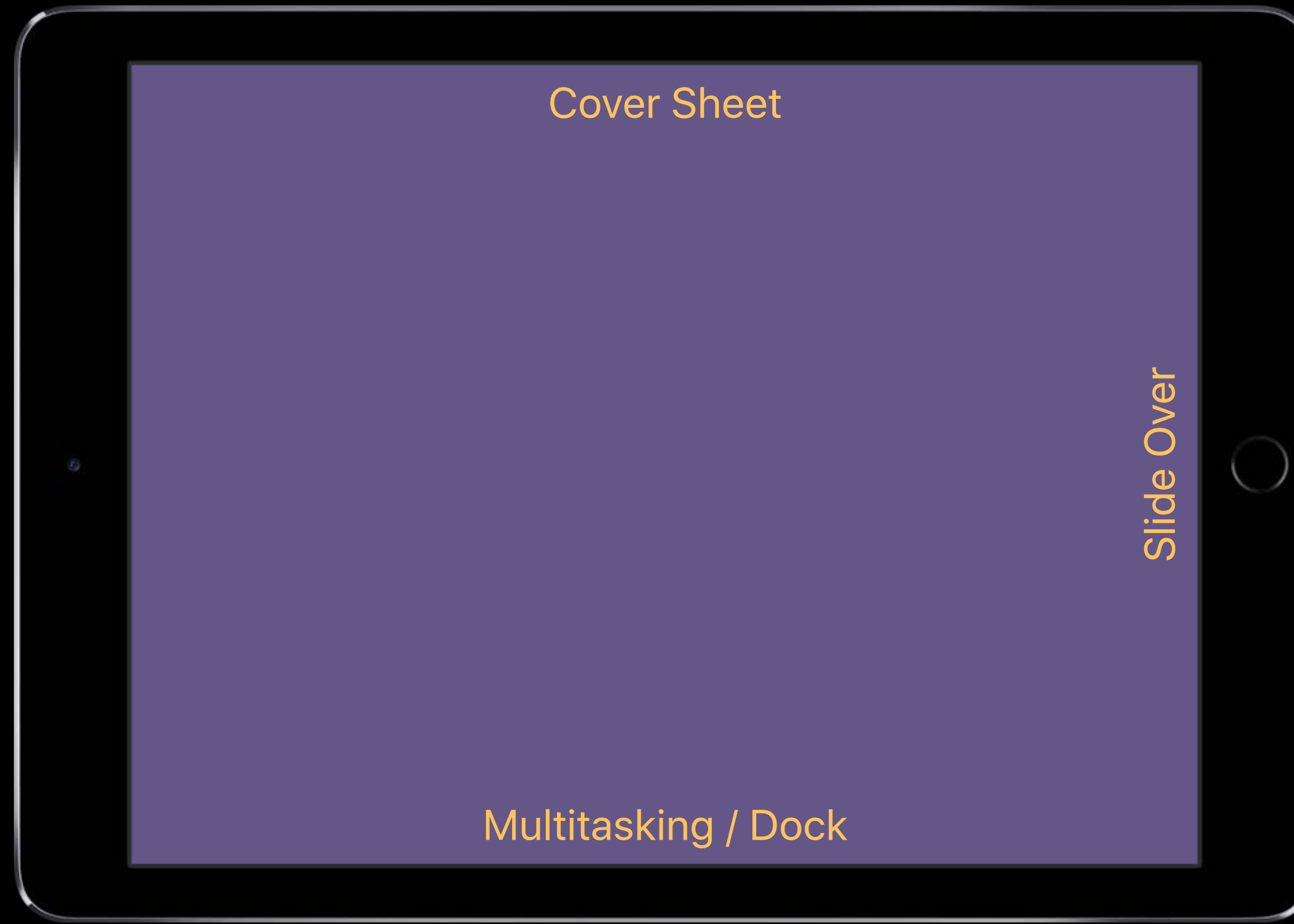
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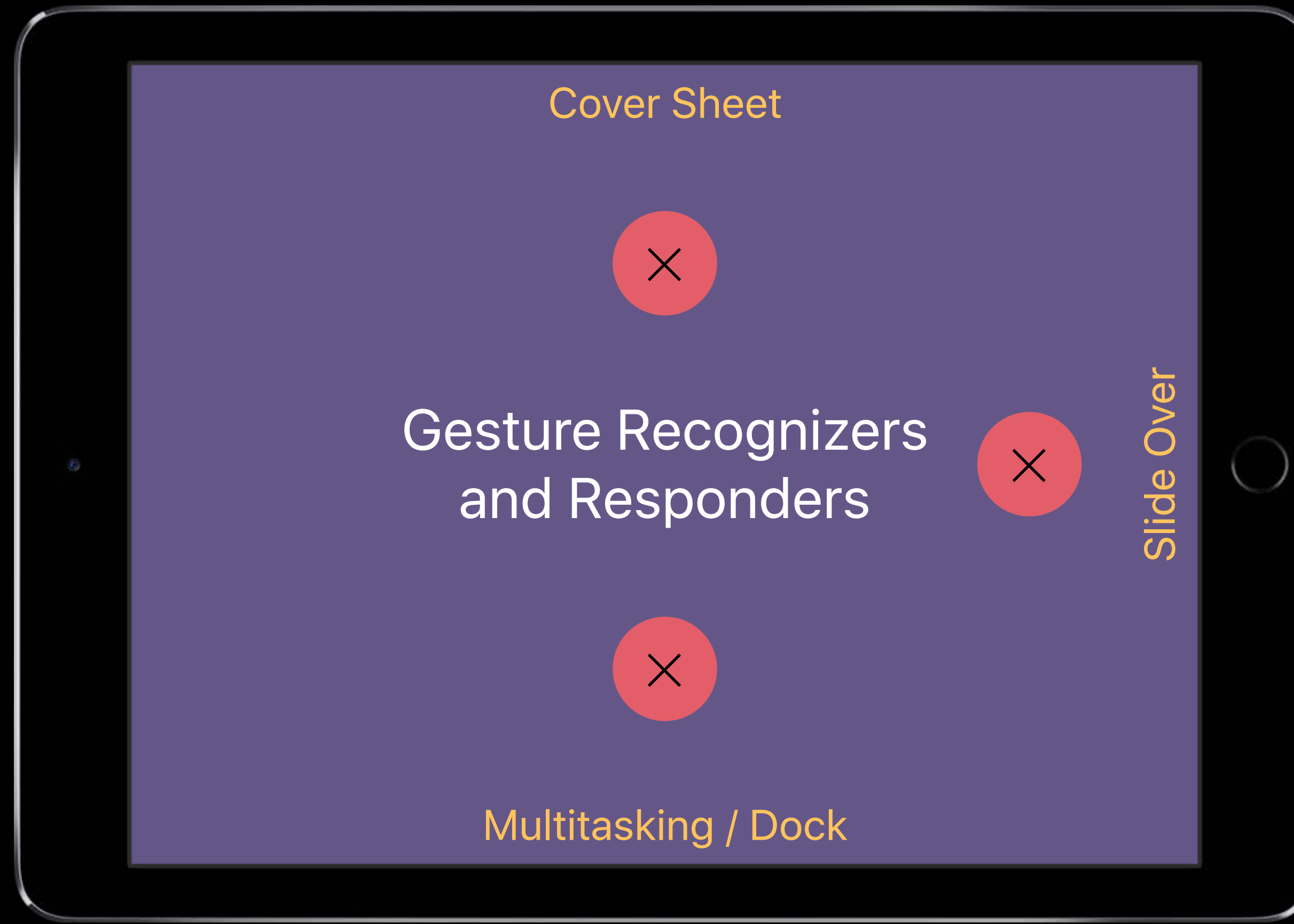
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System ↔ App

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Pinch

Rotate

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- System
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- 

Pan  
Swipe  
Responders

System gesture or app gesture?

We made an educated guess.



NEW

System gesture or app gesture?

You tell us.

# Let's Talk Terms

NEW

```
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    override func preferredScreenEdgesDeferringSystemGestures() -> UIRectEdge {  
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    // call whenever your method would return a different screen edge  
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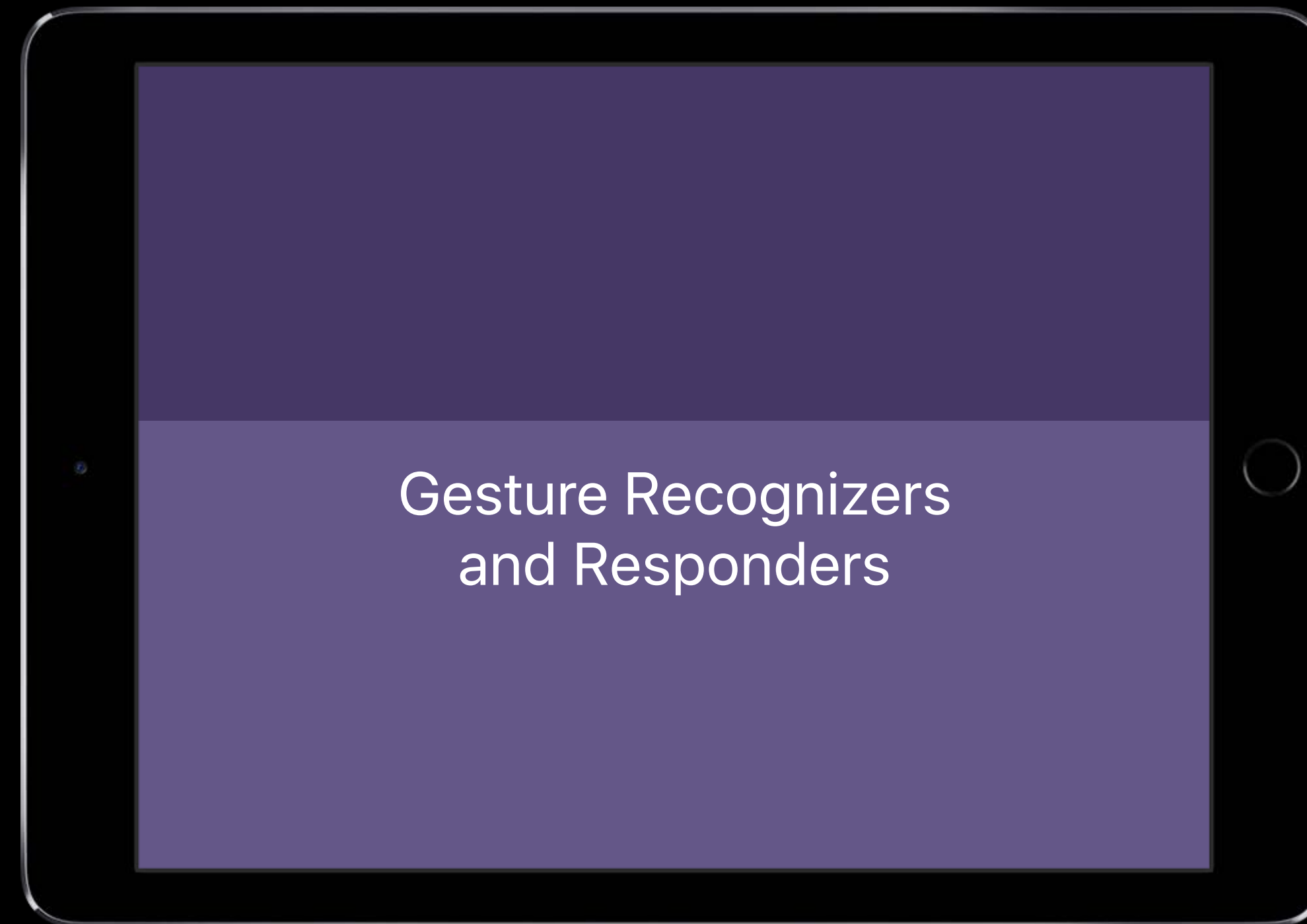
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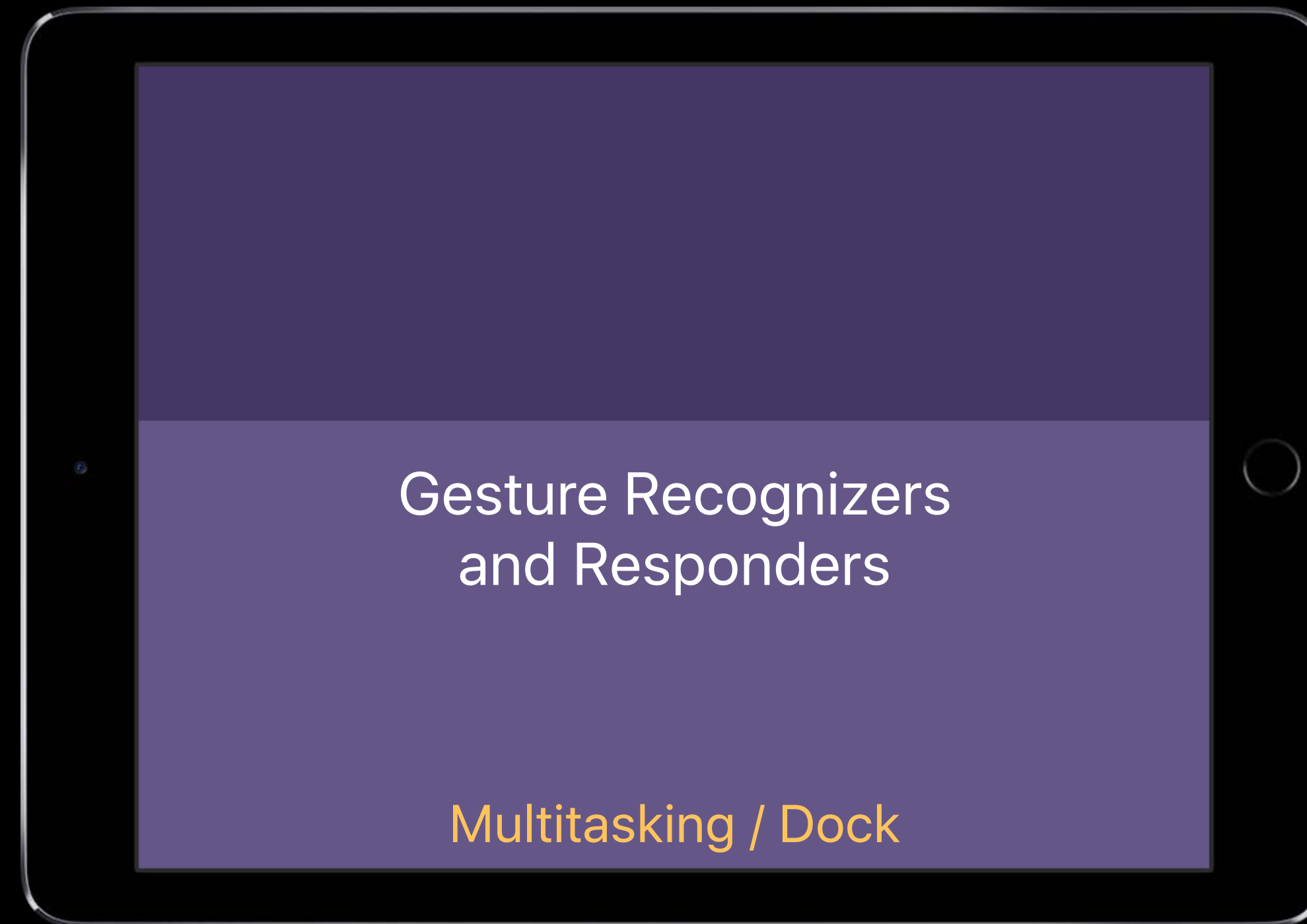
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# For Containers Only

NEW

```
class MyContainerViewController: UIViewController {  
  
    // override to return which child view controller to consult  
    override func childViewControllerForScreenEdgesDeferringSystemGestures()  
        -> UIViewController? {  
        return mySelectedChildViewController  
    }  
  
}
```



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Don't mess with the familiar

Your recognizers may already get the touches

Telling us  $\neq$  us doing it

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Your app is only used casually

# Playing Nice With Drag and Drop

Michael Turner, UIKit Engineer

# UIDragInteraction

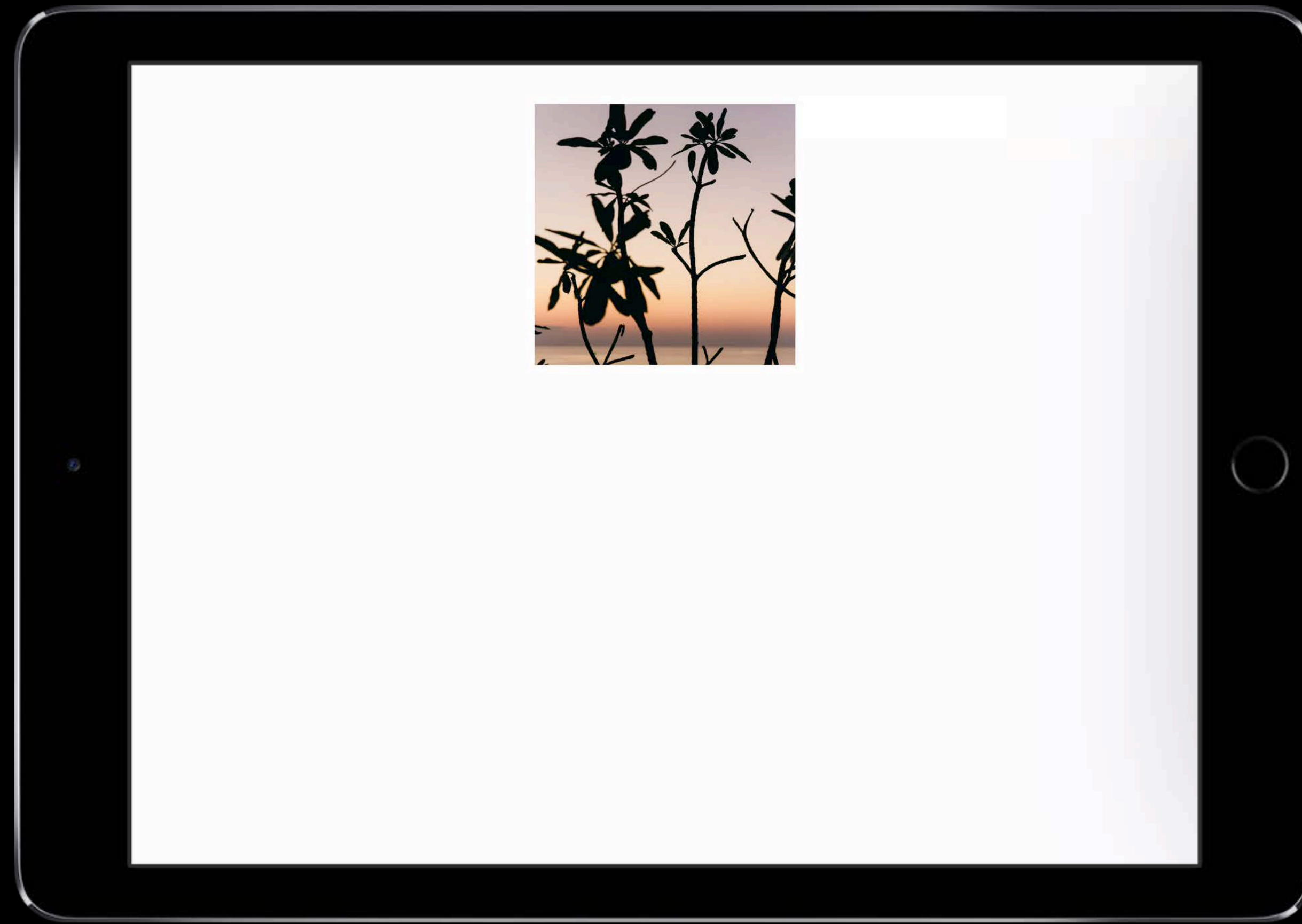


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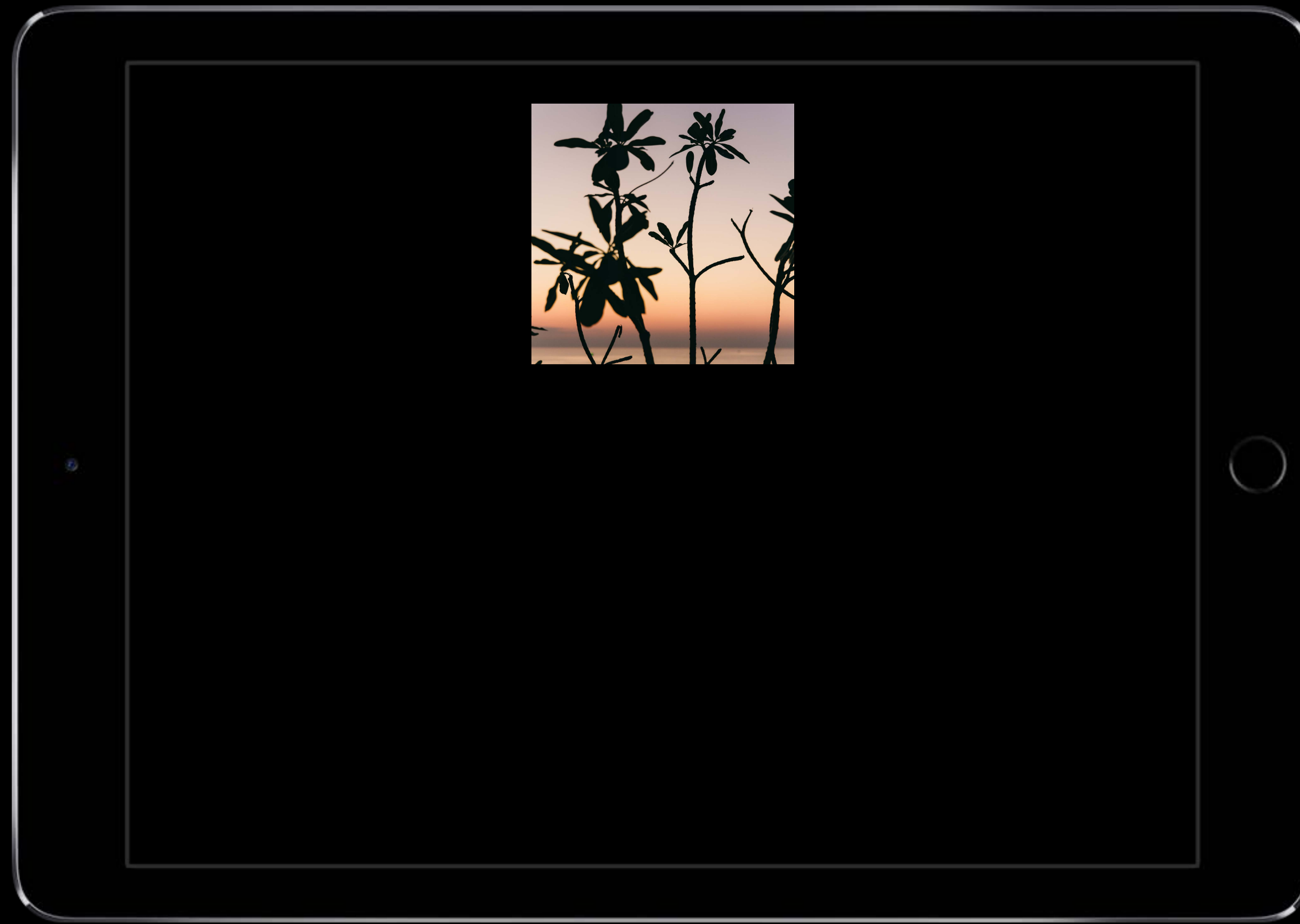
Adding UIDragInteraction to a UIView within your app is easy

```
let dragInteraction = UIDragInteraction(delegate: myDelegate)
myView.addInteraction(dragInteraction)
```

# Initiating a Drag

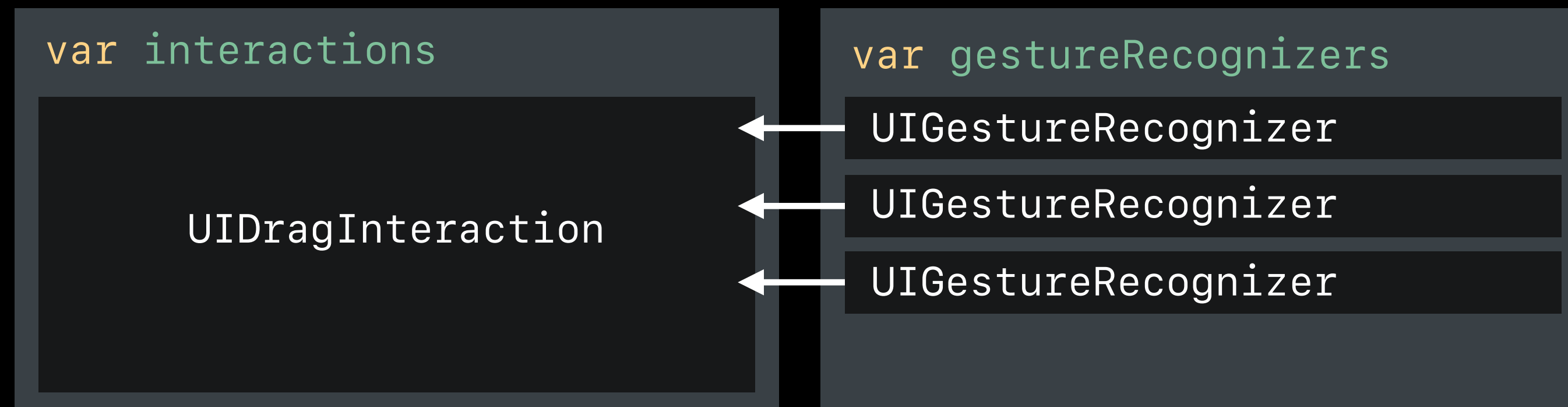


# Initiating a Drag



# UIDragInteraction Example

UIView



UIView

# UIDragInteraction Example

## UIView

```
var interactions
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```
UIDragInteraction
```

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var gestureRecognizers
```

```
UIGestureRecognizer
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UILongPressGestureRecognizer
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## UIViewController

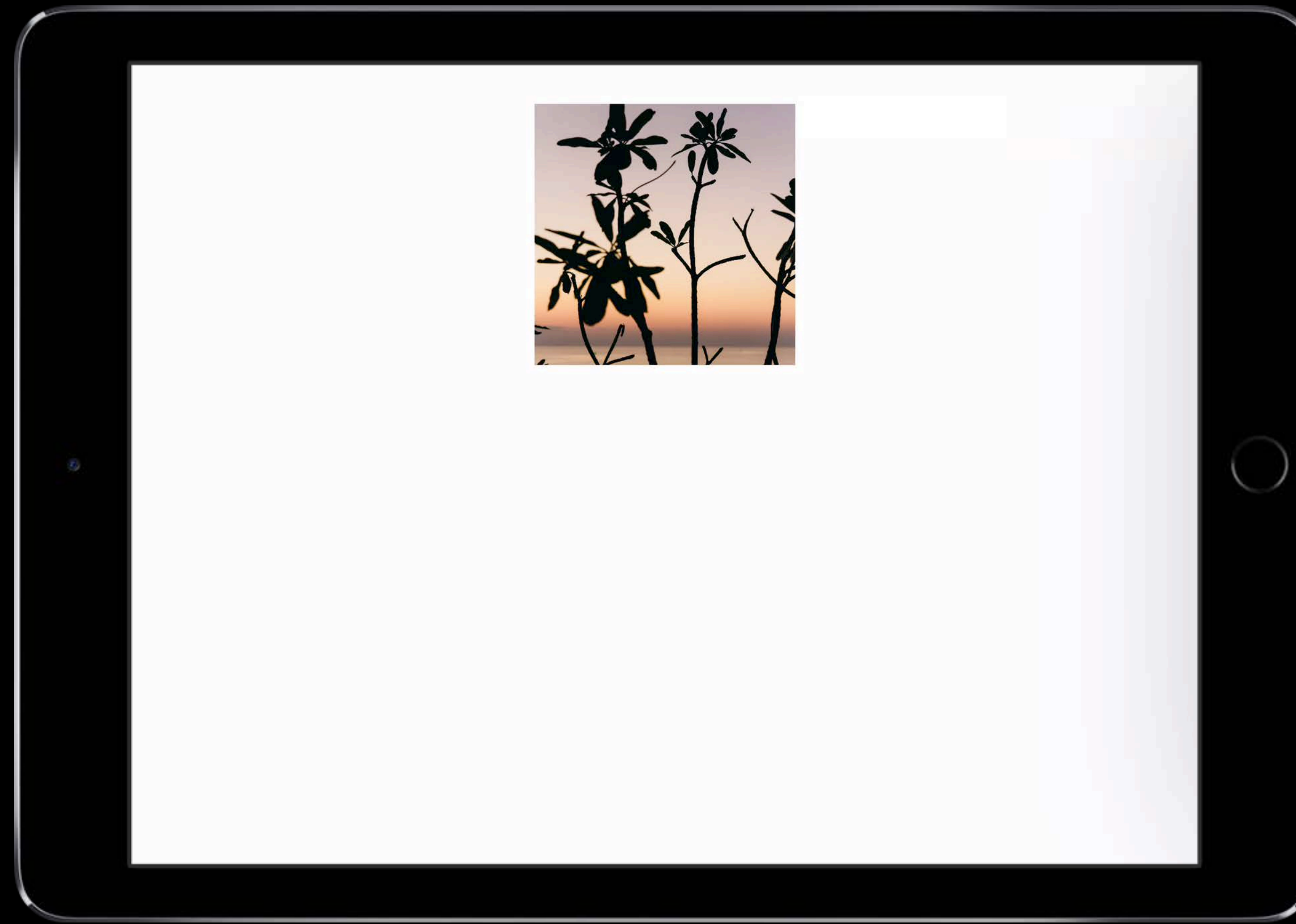
```
func longPress(gesture: UIGestureRecognizer) {  
    switch gesture.state {  
    case .began:  
        presentViewController()  
    case .cancelled:  
        dismissViewControllerAnimated()  
    default: break  
    }  
}
```



UIView

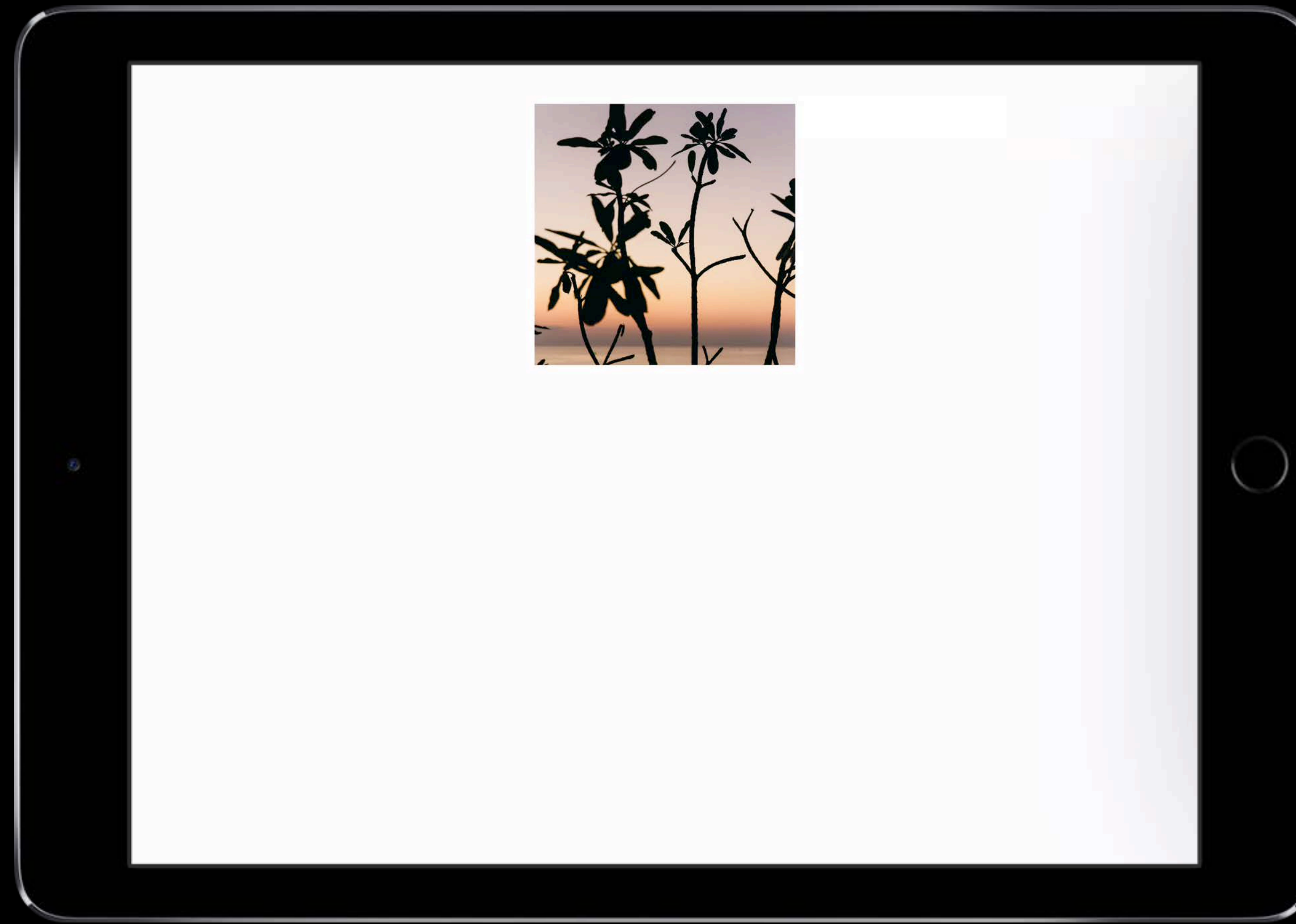


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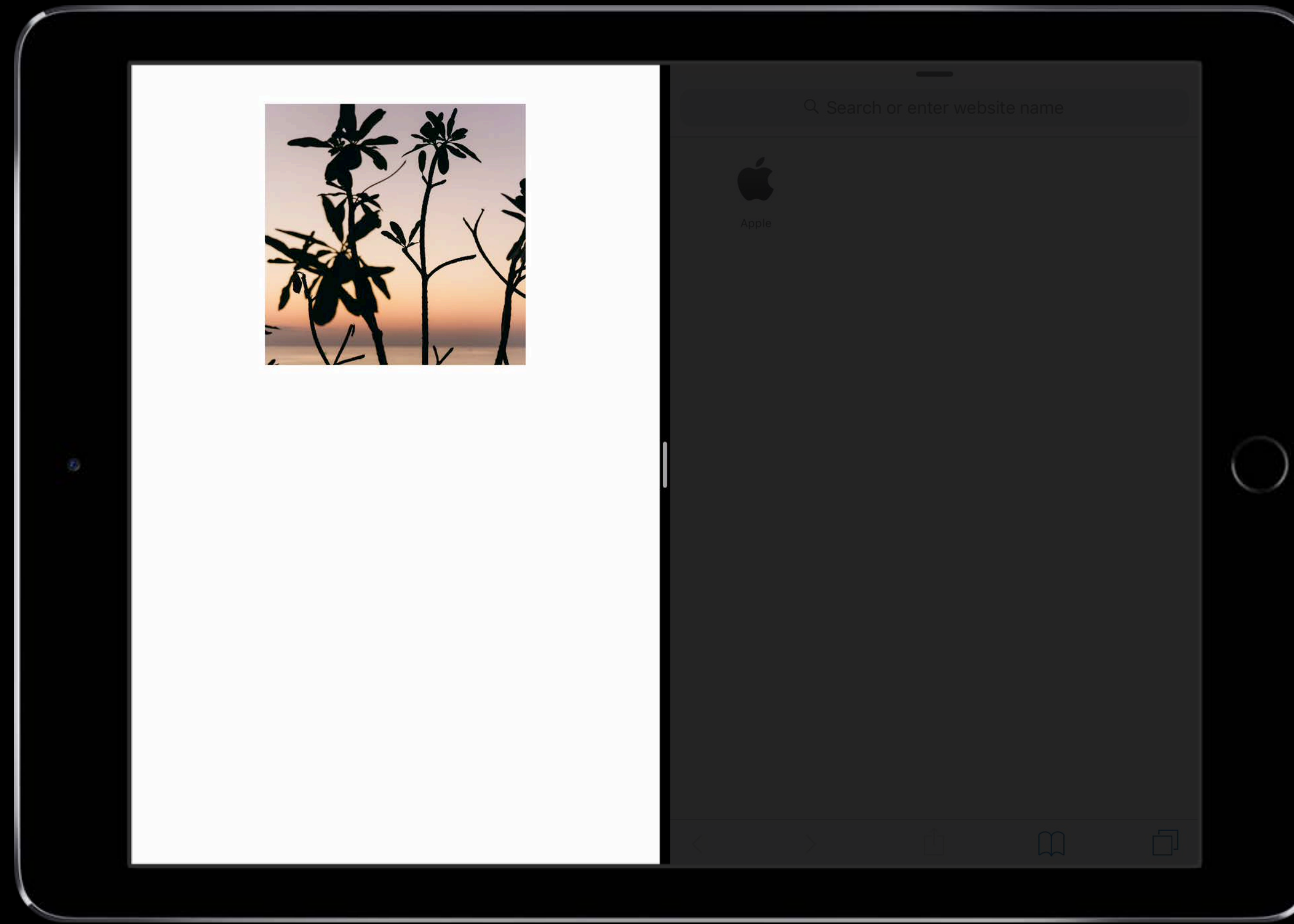
UILongPressGestureRecognizer  
are delayed

# Long Press, Hold, and Move

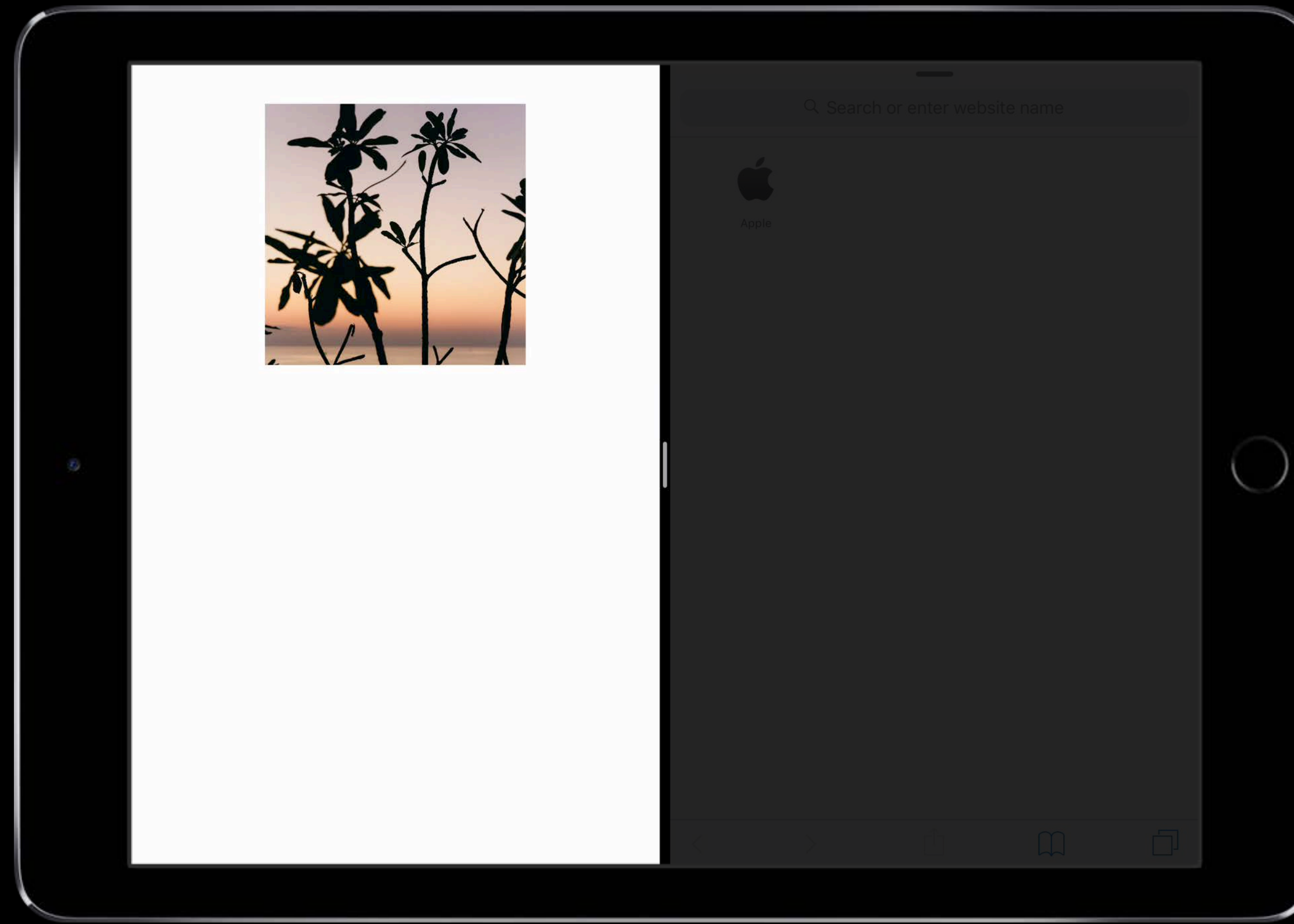


A beginning drag will  
cancel the touch

# Compact Trait Environment

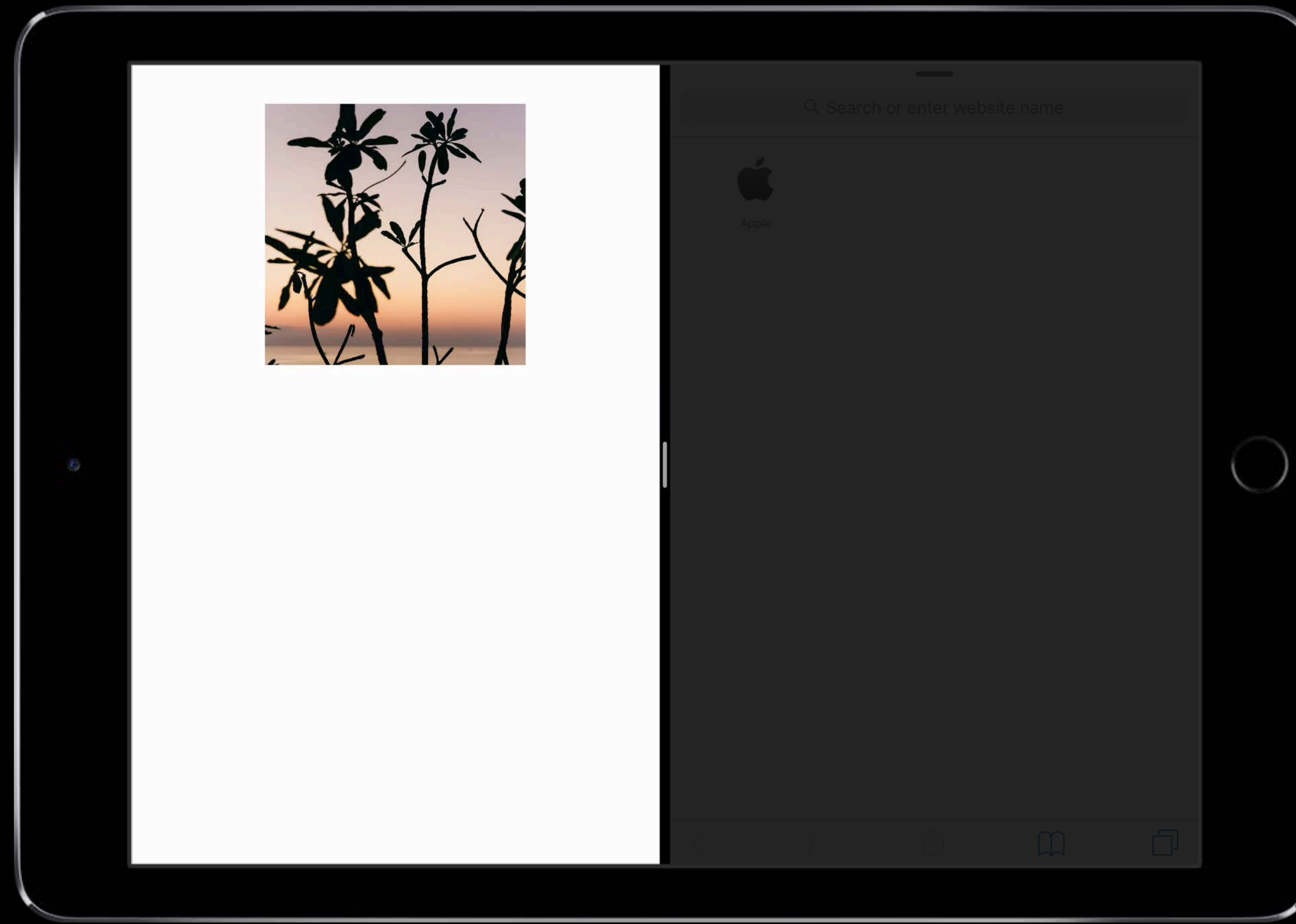


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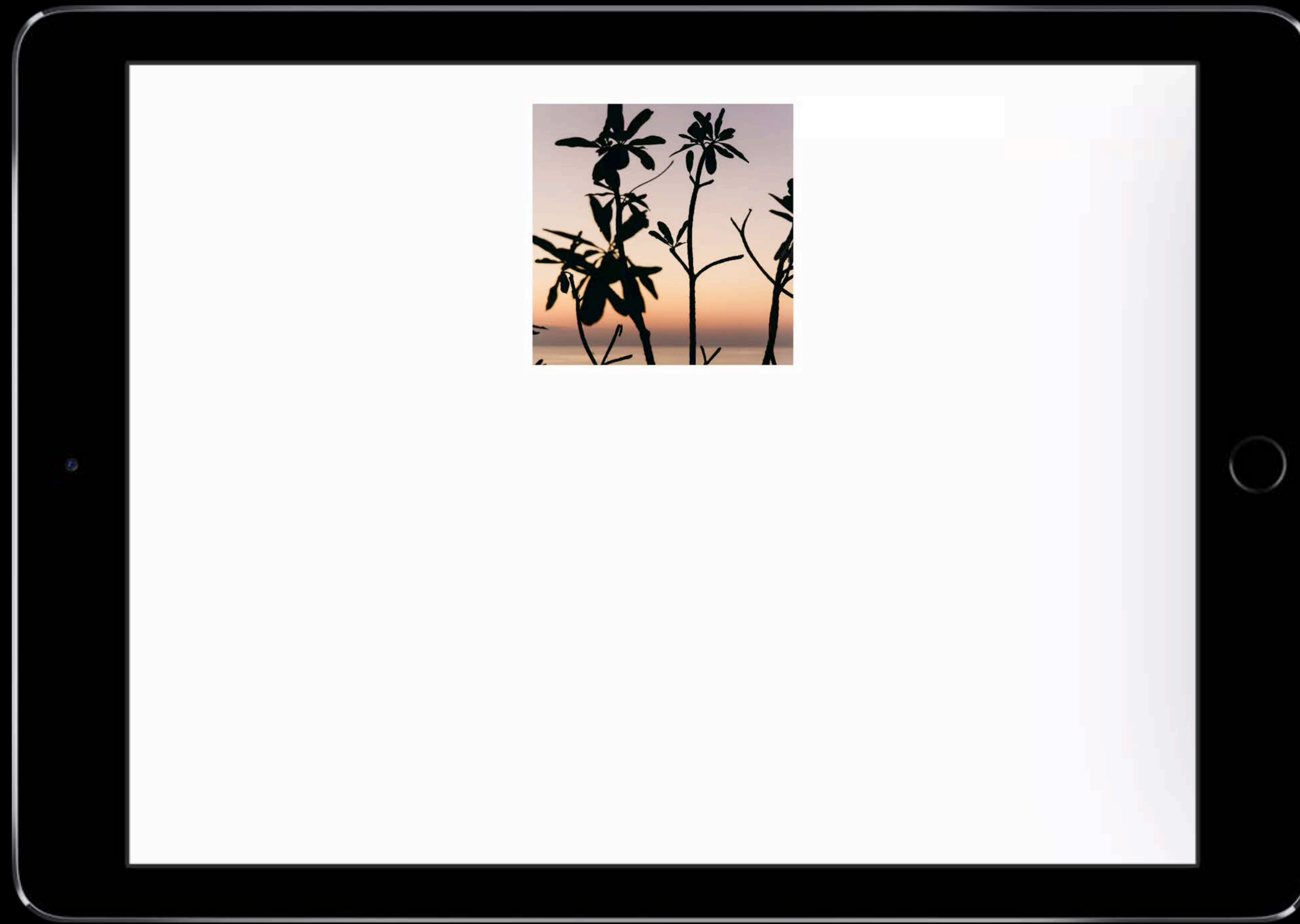
Long presses are delayed  
until the touch ends

# Long Press and Lift





# Adding to a Drag



# Adding to a Drag

Control this behavior using `UIDragInteractionDelegate`

```
func dragInteraction(_ interaction: UIDragInteraction, itemsForAddingTo session:
UIDragSession, withTouchAt point: CGPoint) -> [UIDragItem] {
    // Returning 0 items allows normal touch processing to continue
    return []
}
```

# How to Adapt for UIDragInteraction

Examine your existing actions

Present modal UI carefully

Handle the `.cancelled` state

Your app is interactive during a drag!

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# Labs

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Cocoa Touch and Haptics Lab

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