

Creating Immersive Apps with Core Motion

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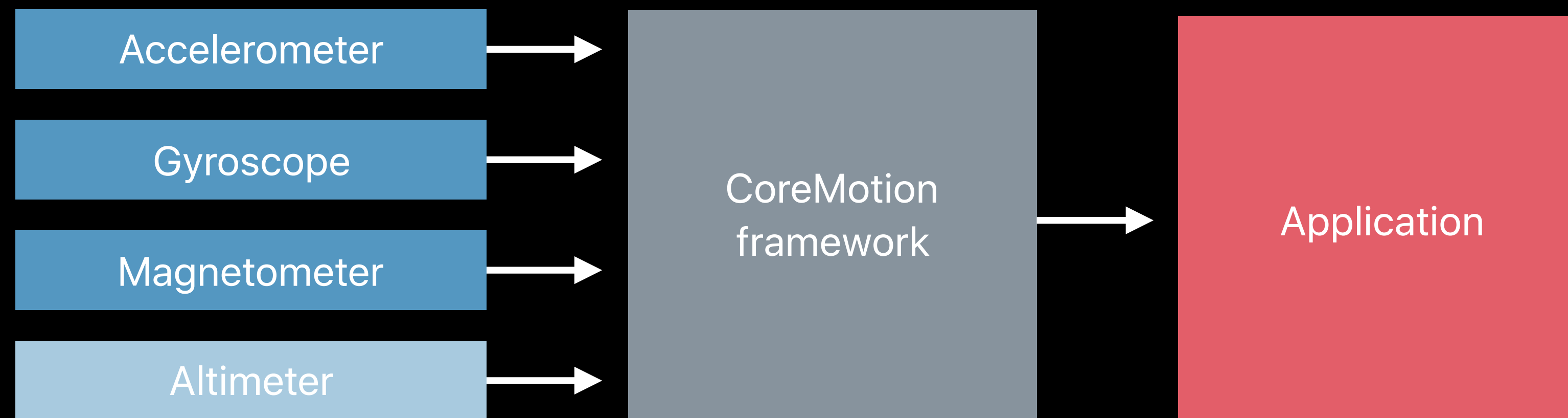
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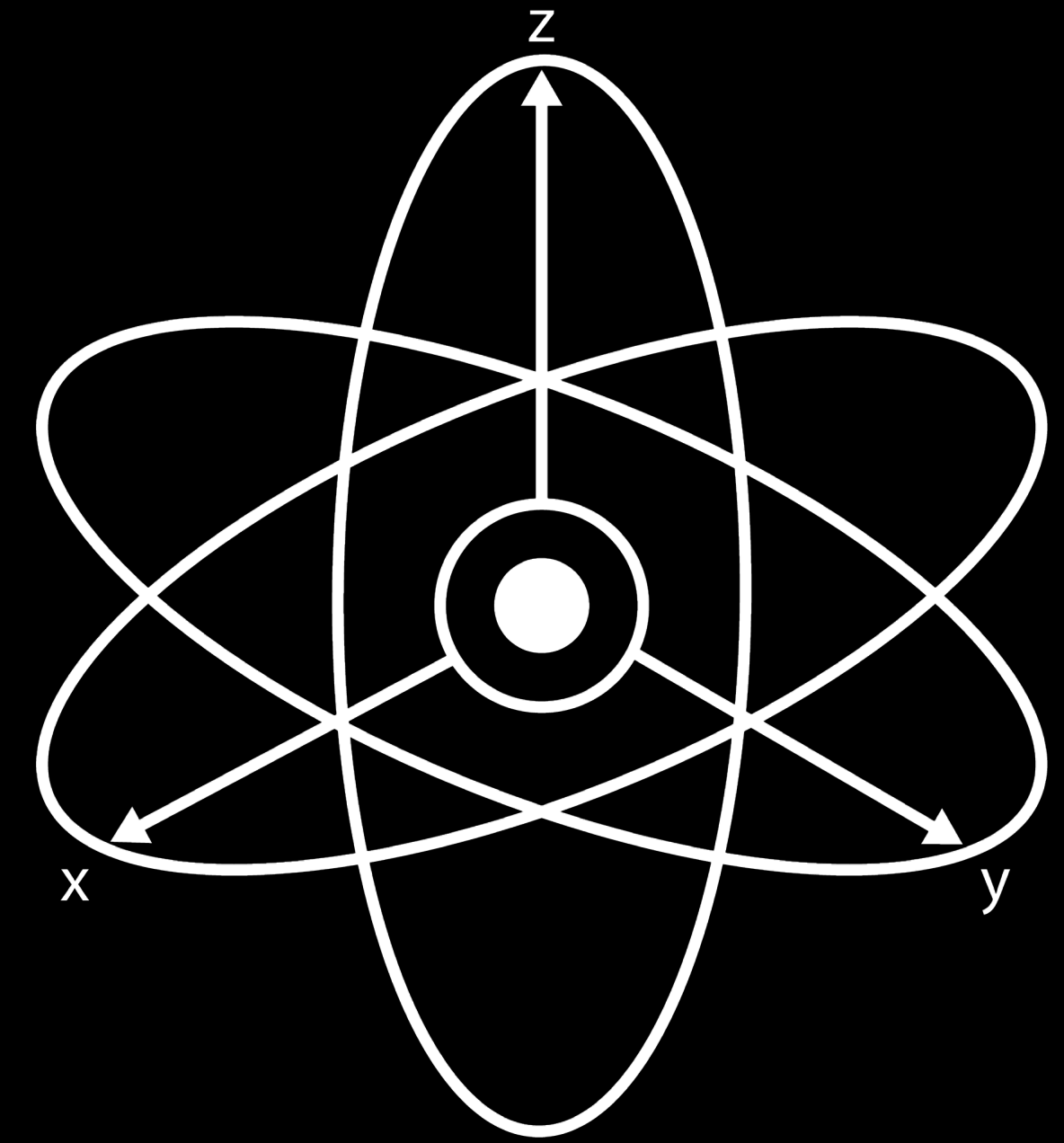
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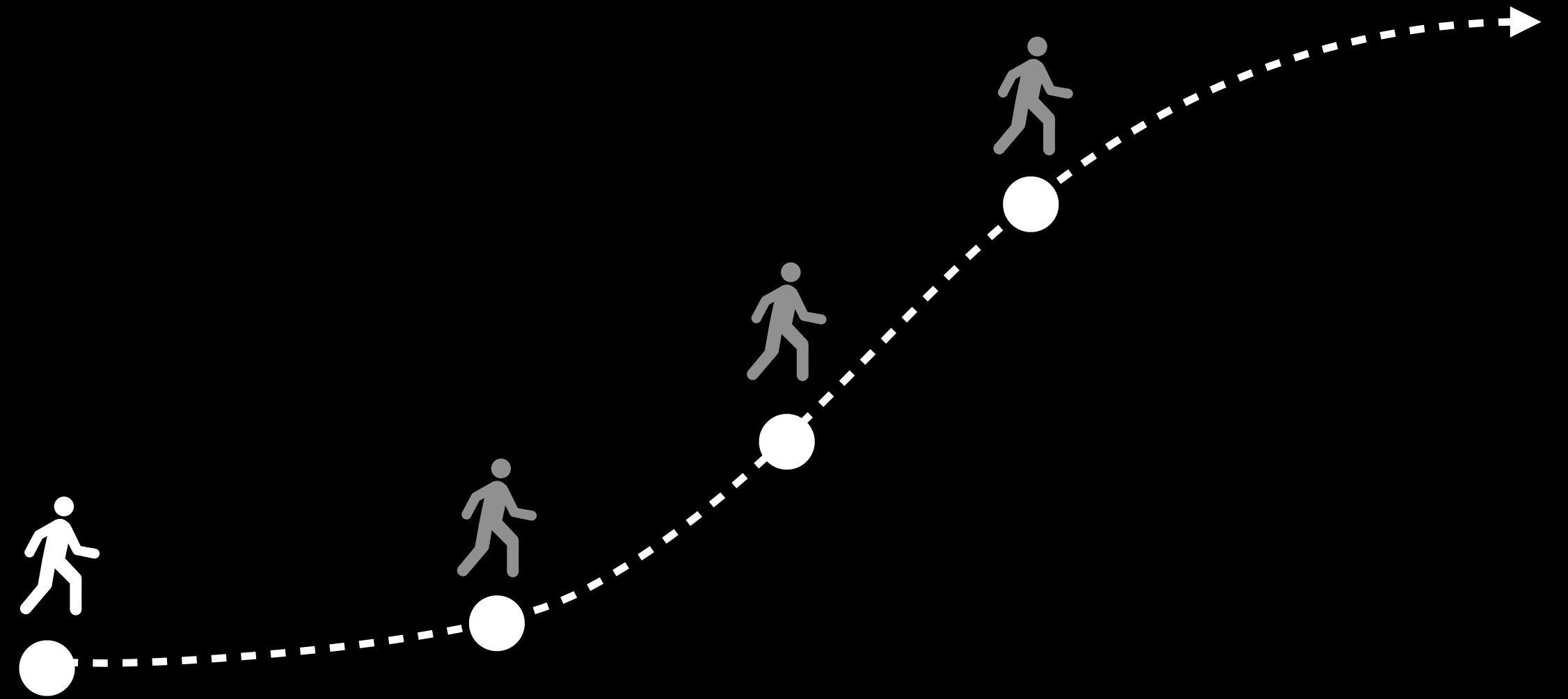
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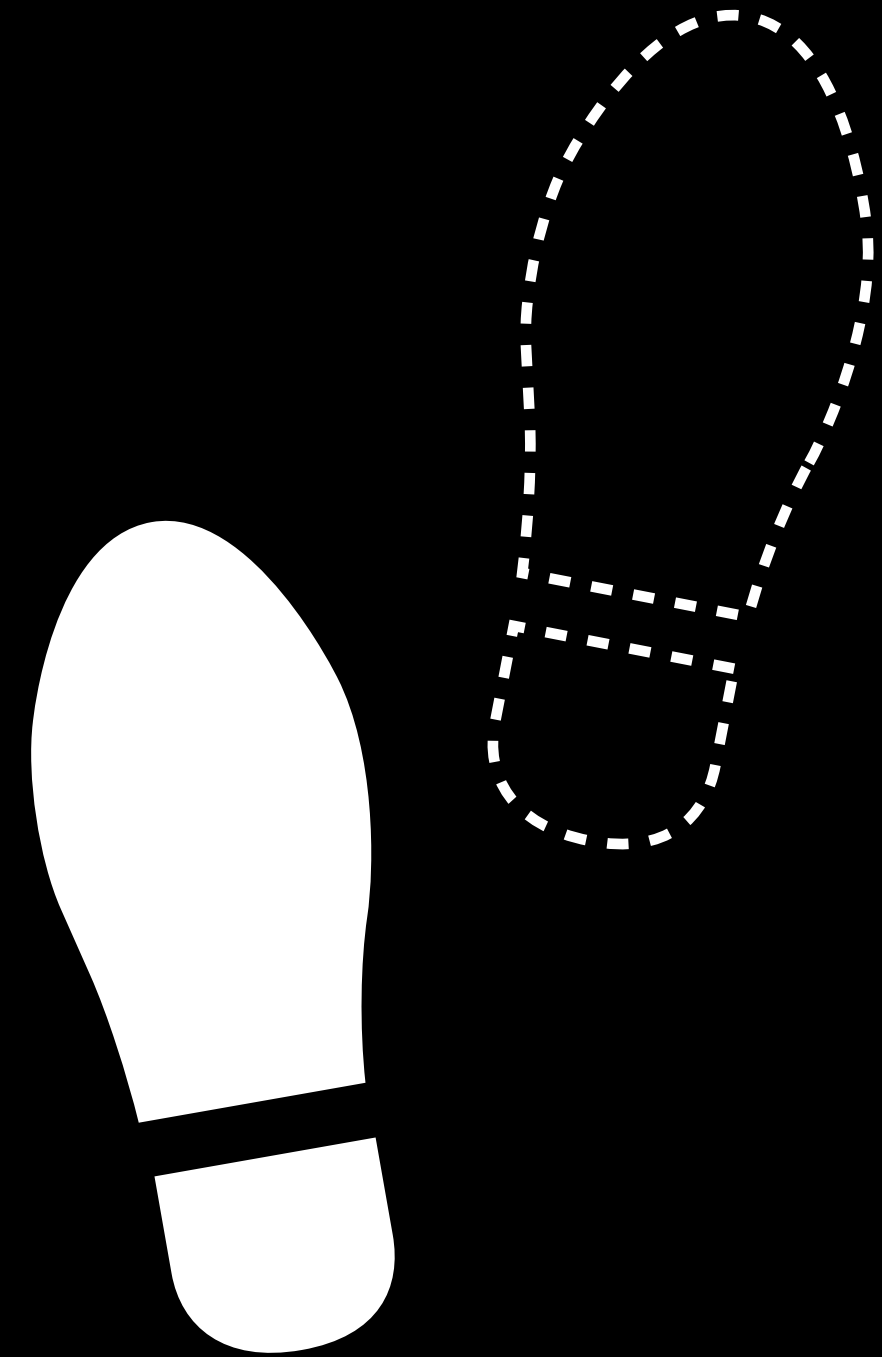


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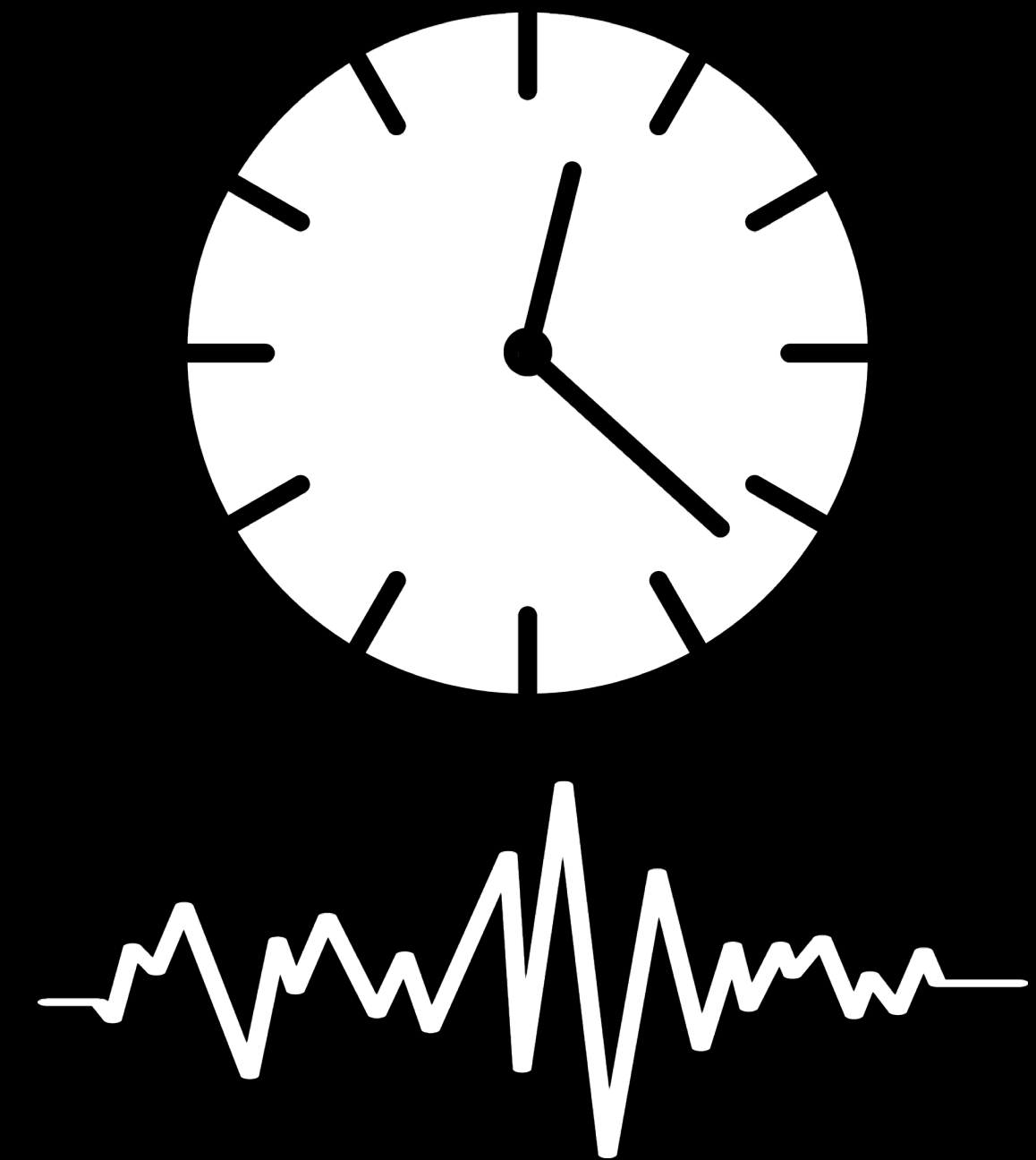
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Sensitive API causes prompt



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Sensitive API causes prompt

Appears only once





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100%

**"MyGreatApp" Would Like to
Access Your Motion & Fitness
Activity**

Your authorization description here!

Don't Allow

OK

```
// Authorization Check
let pedometer = CMPedometer()
let now = Date()

pedometer.queryPedometerData(from:now, to:now) { (data, error) in
    if let code = error?._code {
        if code == CLErrorMotionActivityNotAuthorized.rawValue {
            // Ask the user for authorization!
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Authorization Status

NEW

```
// CMAltimeter, CMPedometer, CMMotionActivityManager, CMSensorRecorder

@available(iOS 11.0, *)
@available(watchOS 4.0, *)
open class func authorizationStatus() -> CMAuthorizationStatus
```

Authorization Status



NEW

```
@available(iOS 11.0, *)
@available(watchOS 4.0, *)
public enum CMAuthorizationStatus : Int {
    case notDetermined
    case restricted
    case denied
    case authorized
}
```

```
// Authorization Check
```

```
// Best Practice: Check availability first!
```

```
if CMPedometer.isStepCountingAvailable() {
```

```
    switch CMPedometer.authorizationStatus() {
```

```
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```
            break
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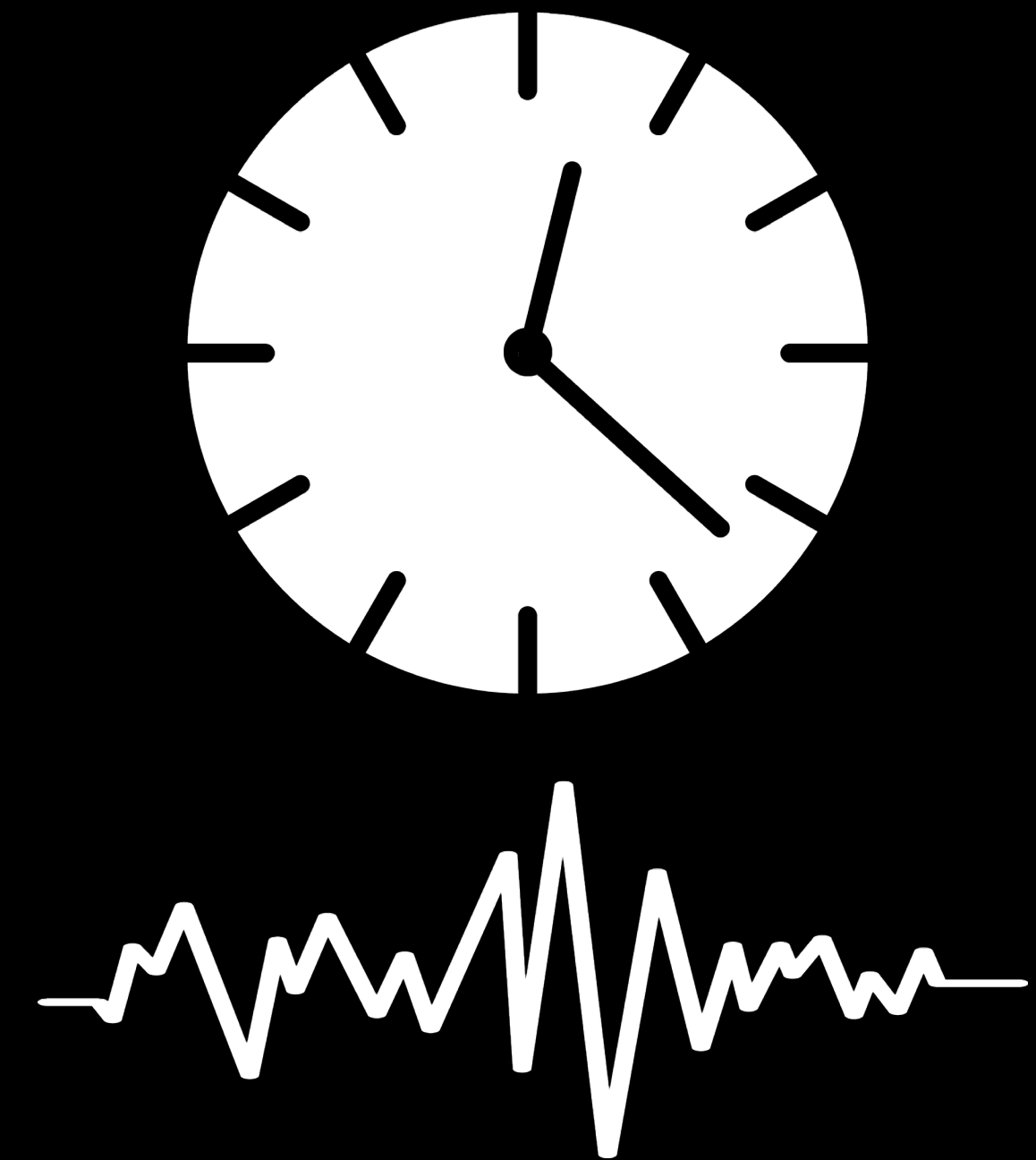
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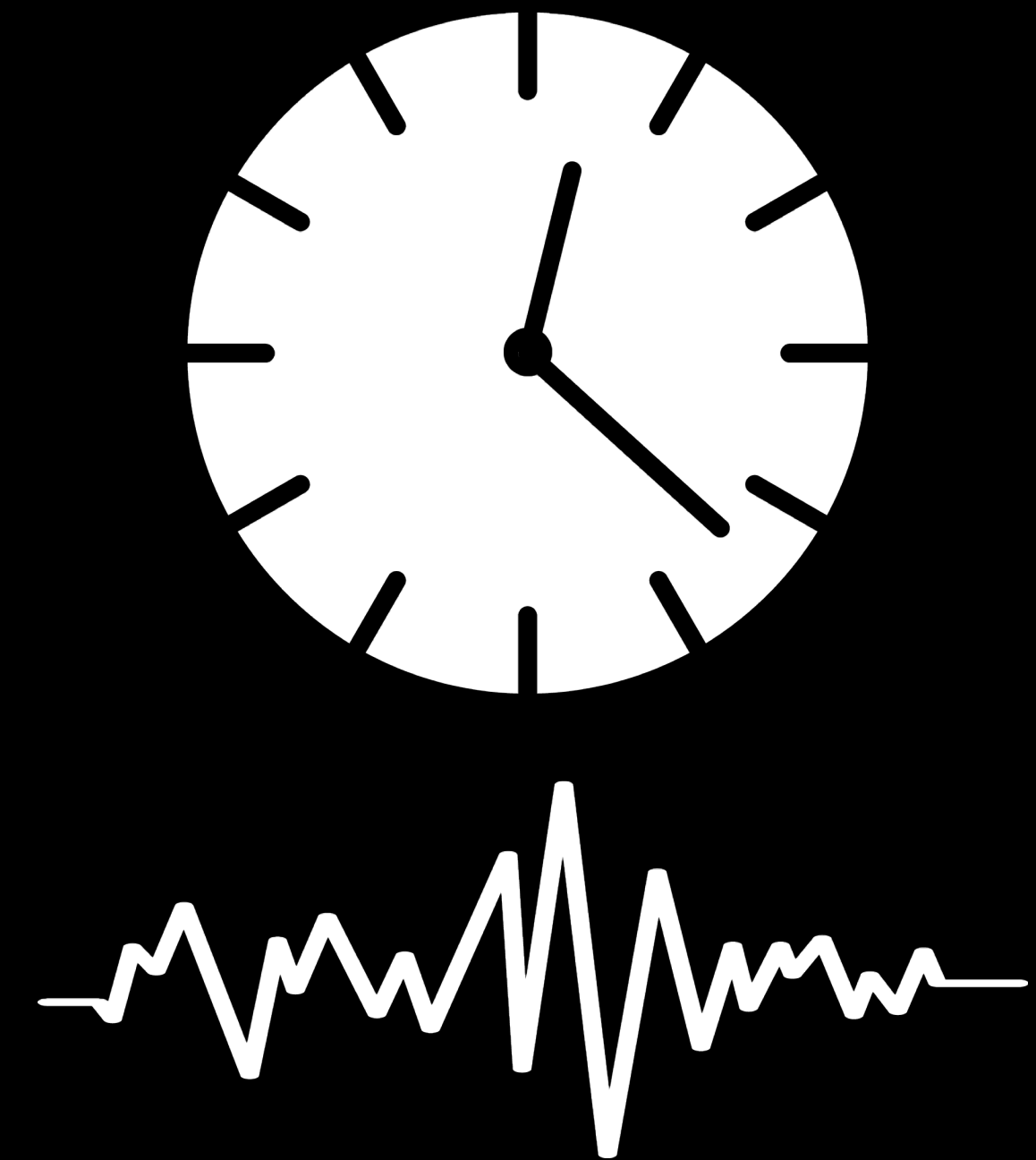


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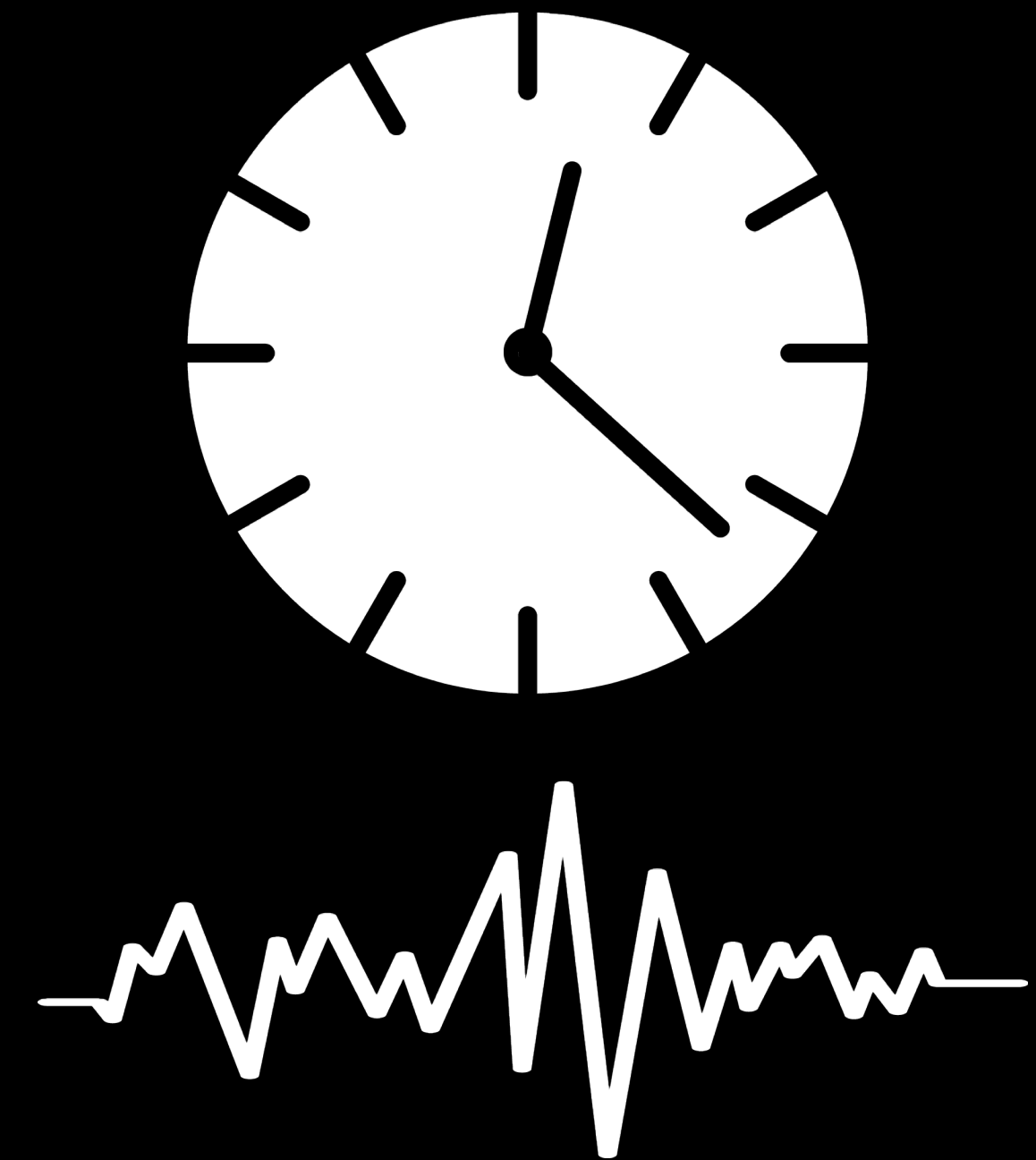
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Request up to 36 hours

Stored for up to three days



Historical Accelerometer

Availability

Available

Apple Watch



Apple Watch Series 1



Apple Watch Series 2

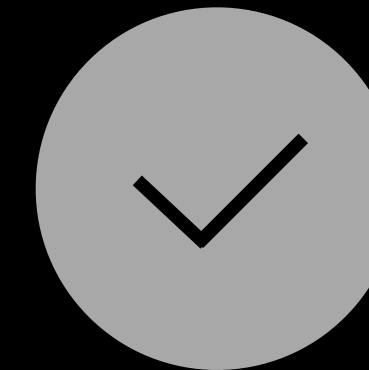


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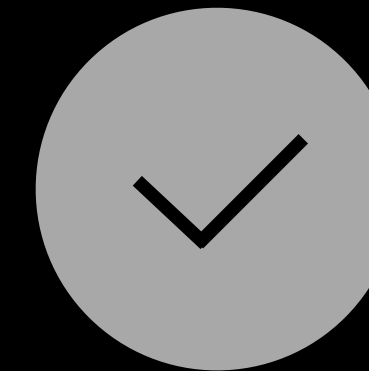
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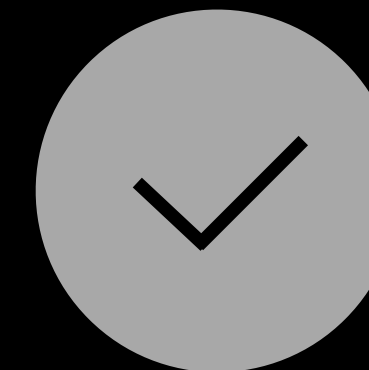
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iPhone 7 and 7 Plus (on iOS 11)



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Automotive Performance Tracker



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Use Motion Activity for automotive periods



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Automotive detection improved in iOS 11



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Low-power, all-day experience



Historical Accelerometer

Best practices

Choose the minimum duration



Historical Accelerometer

Best practices

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Decimate if possible



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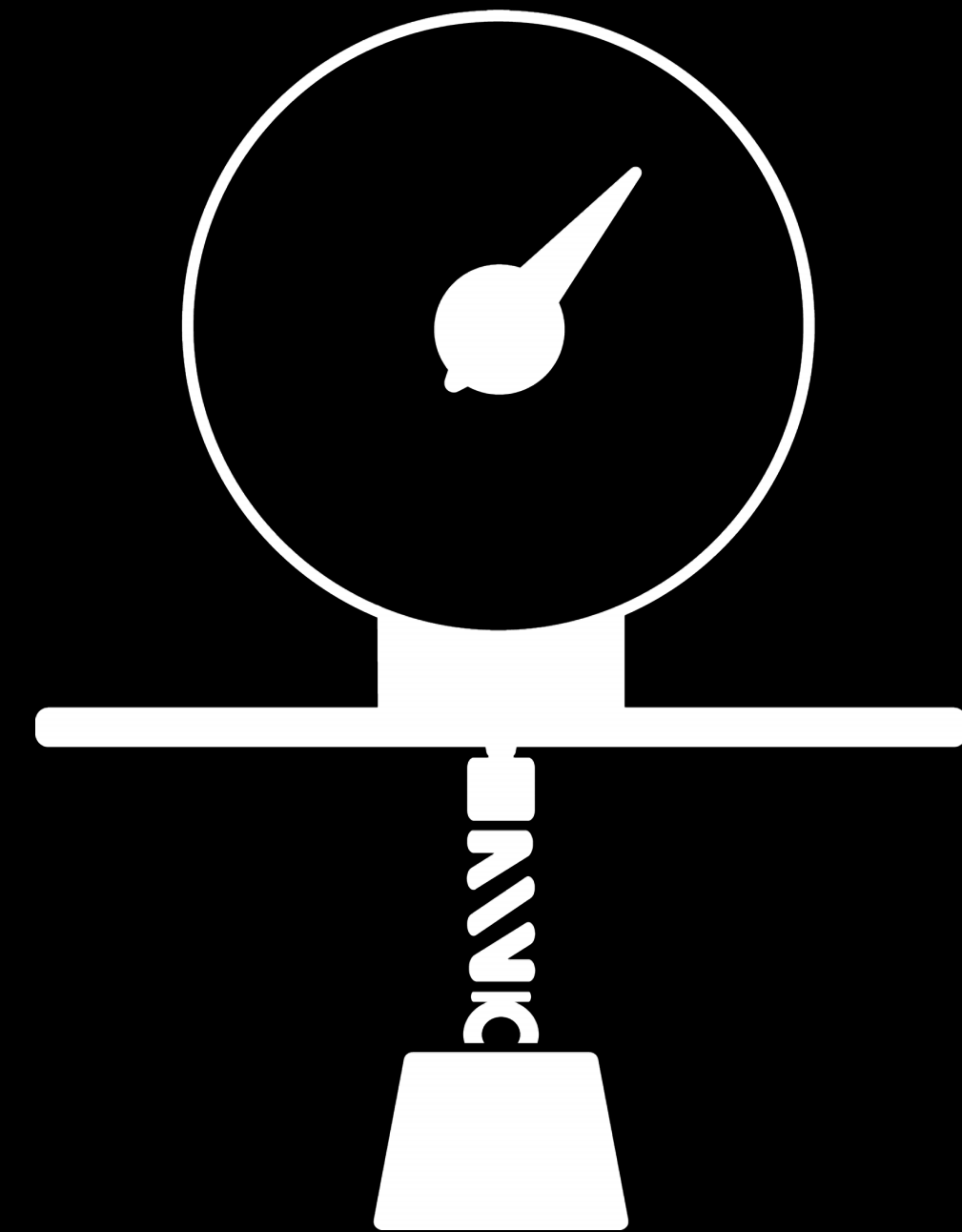
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Accelerometer

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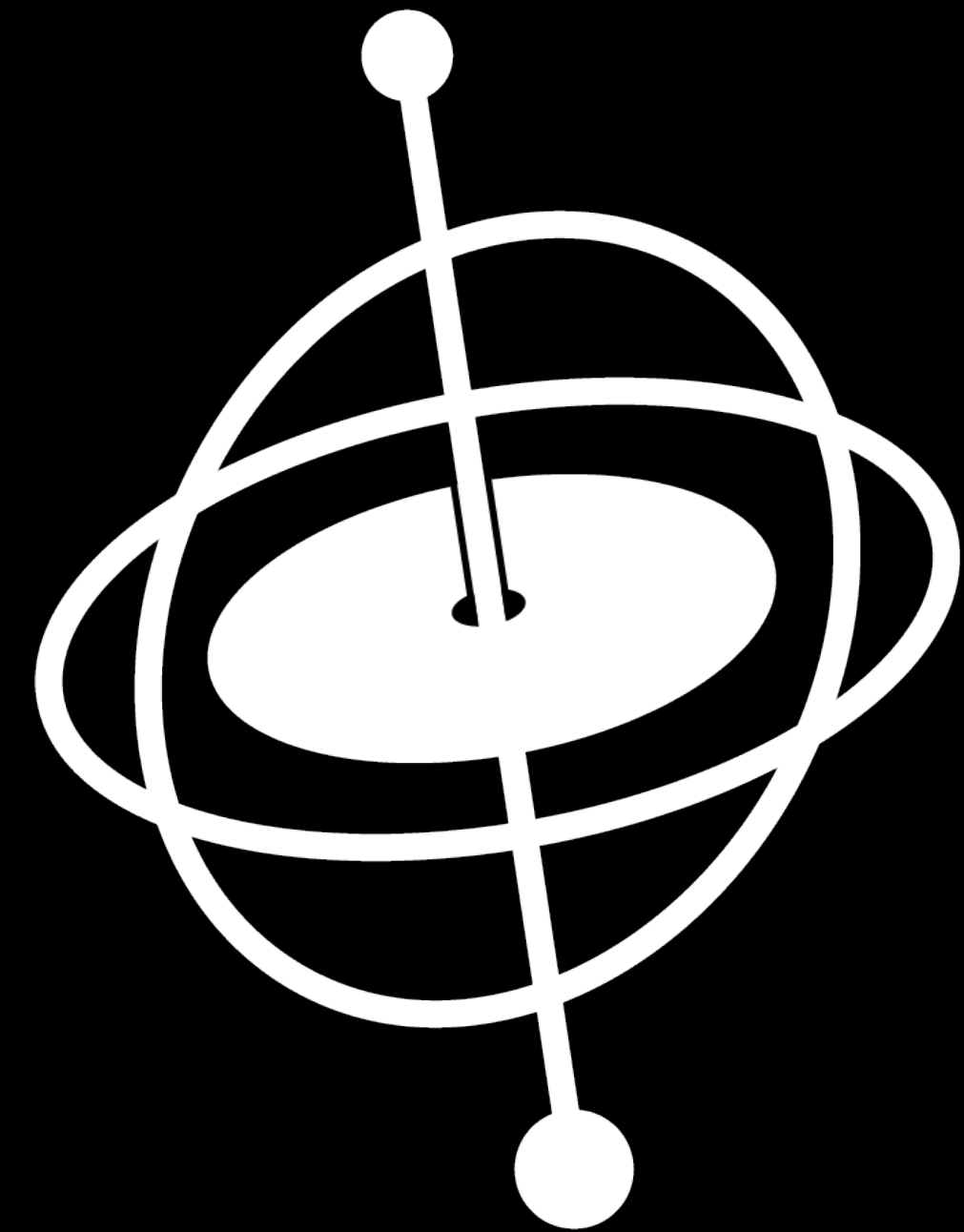
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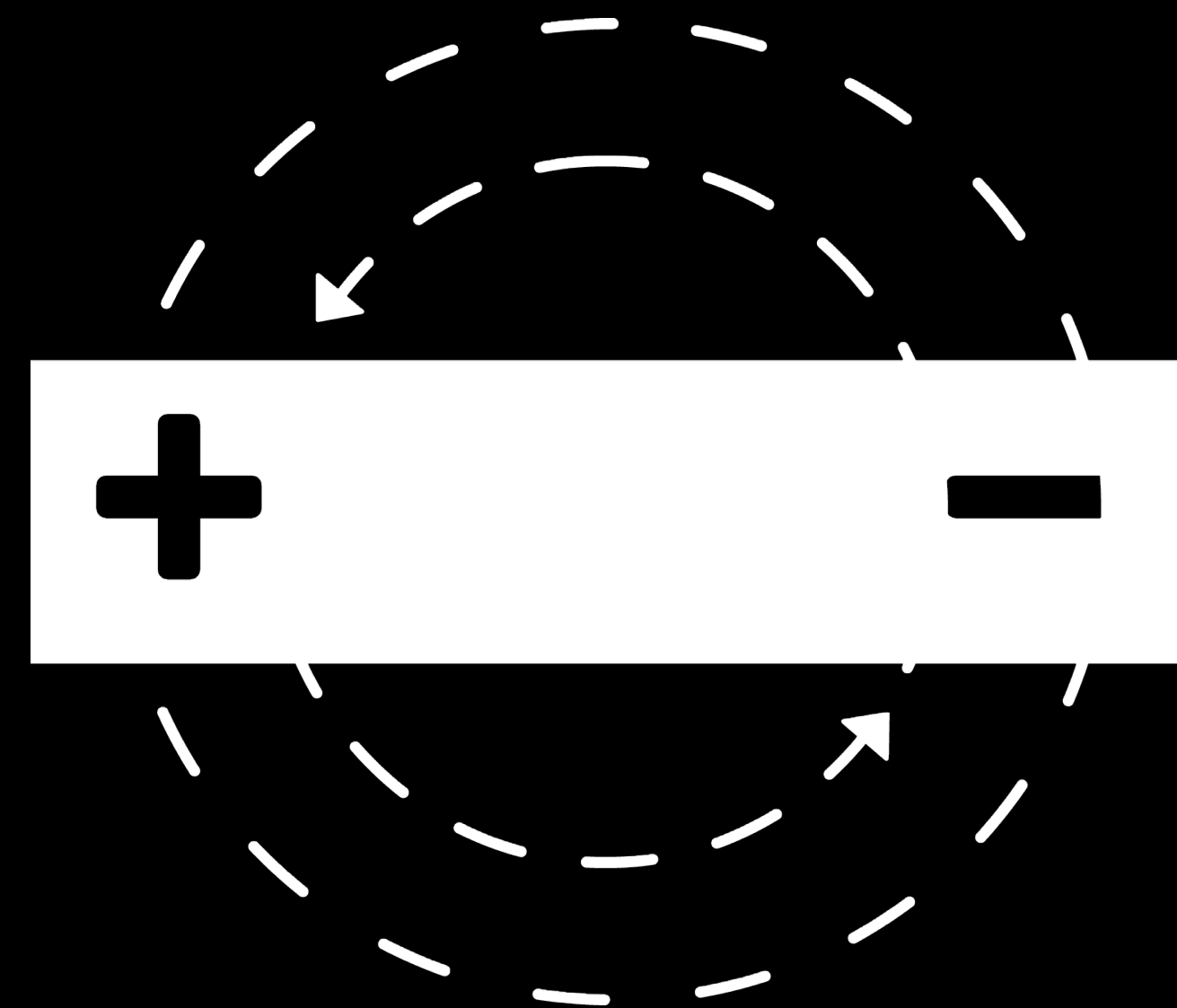
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- Rotation rate

Magnetometer

- Local fields and Earth's field



Sensors

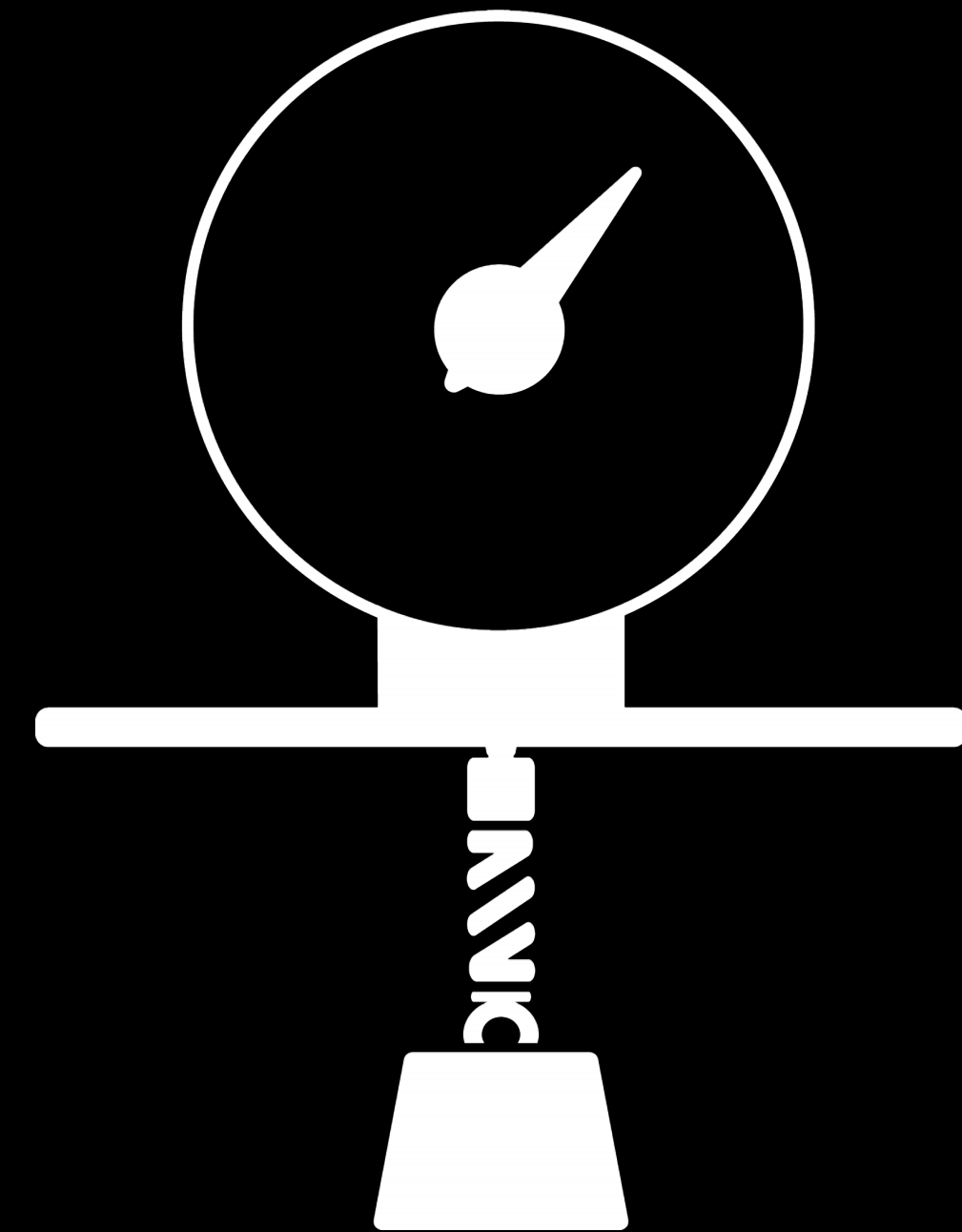
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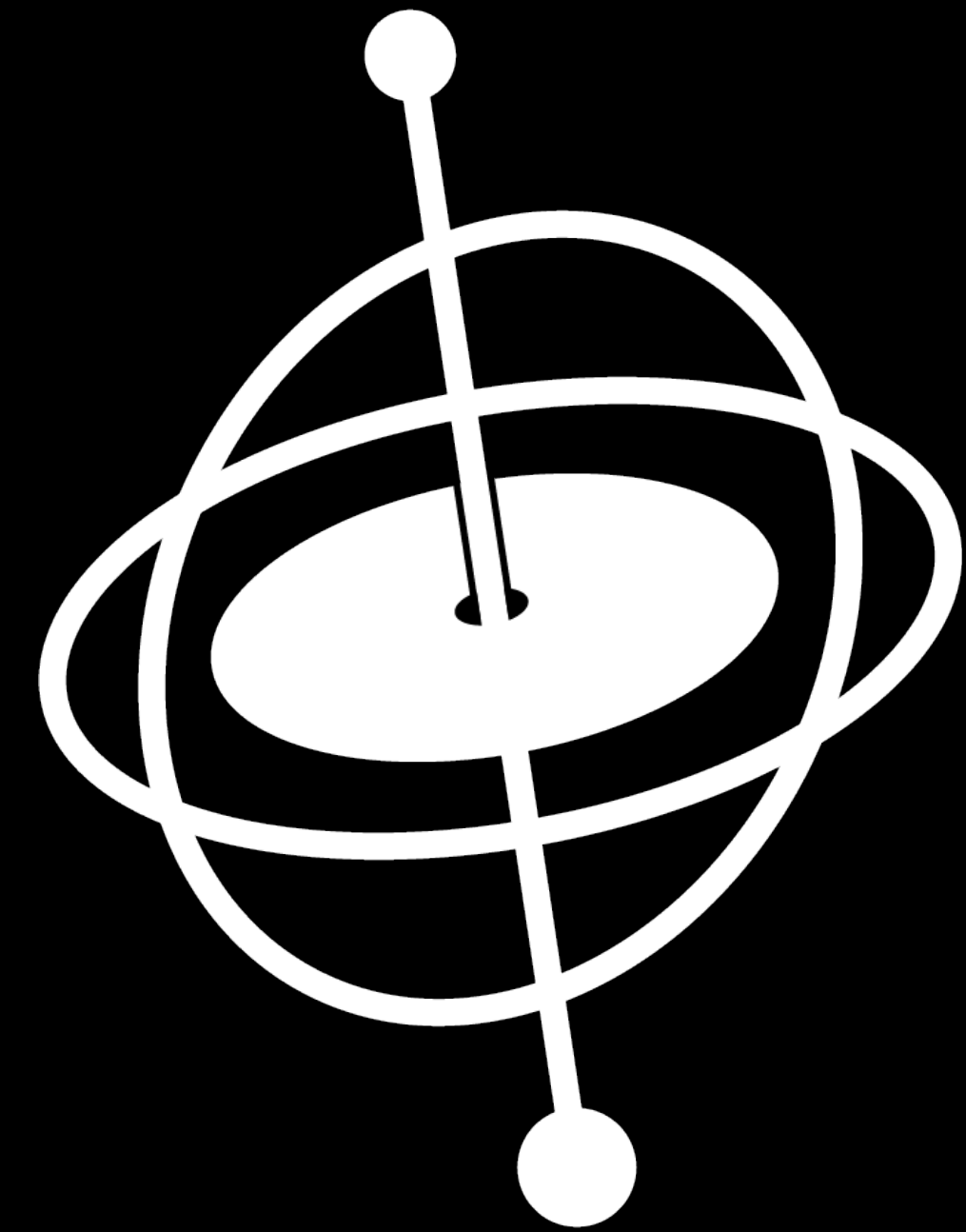
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- Bias over time



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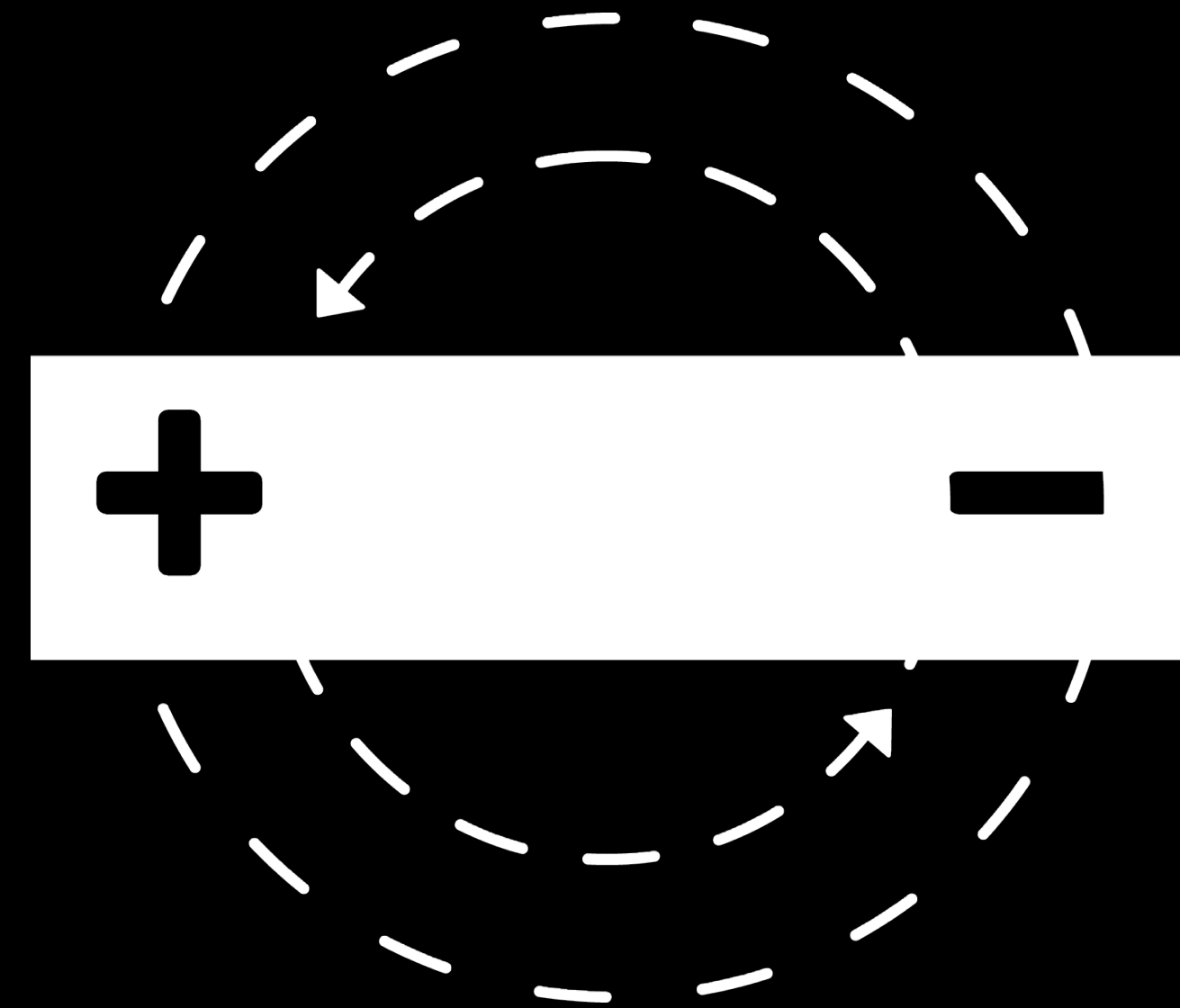
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Gyroscope

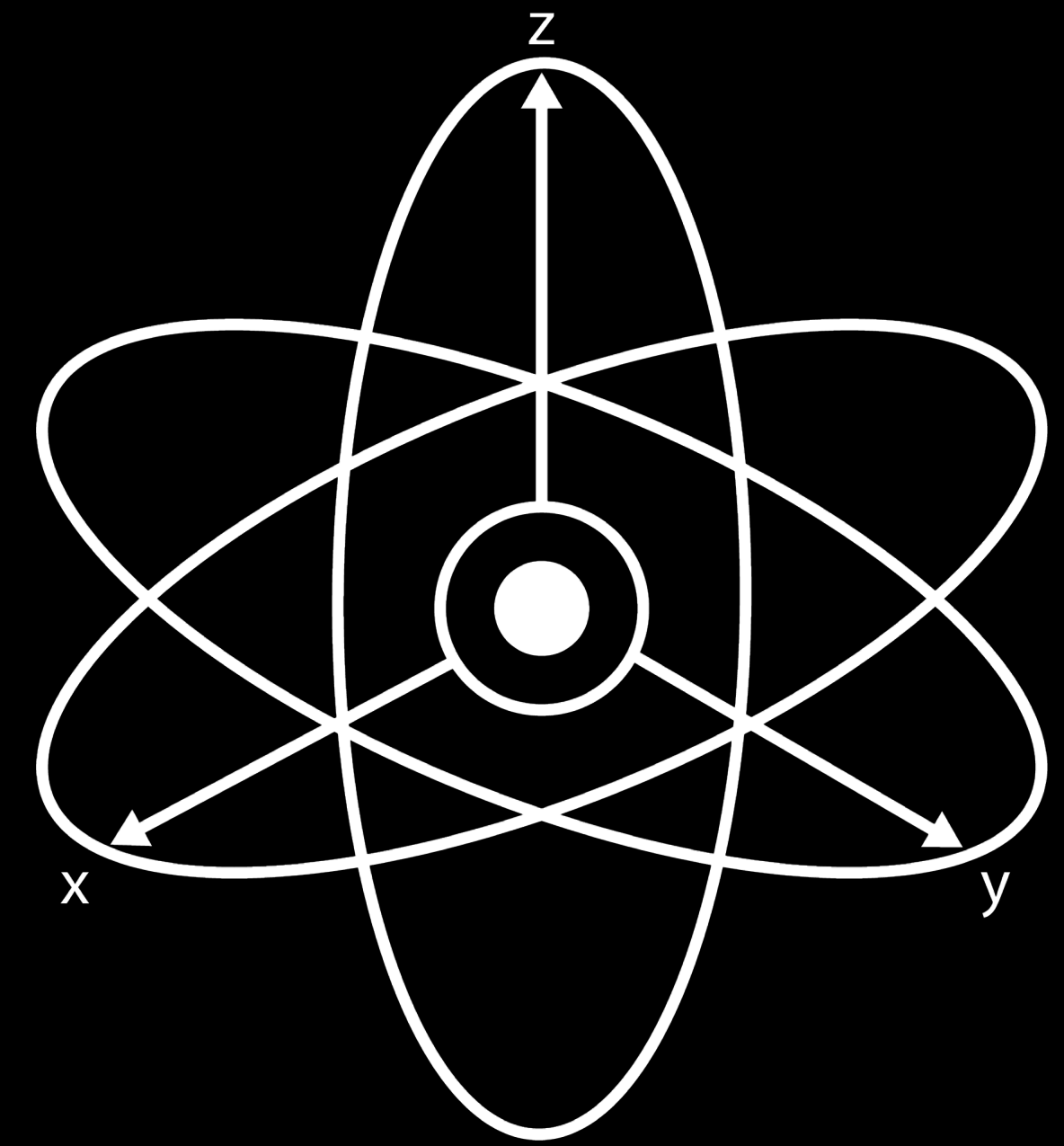
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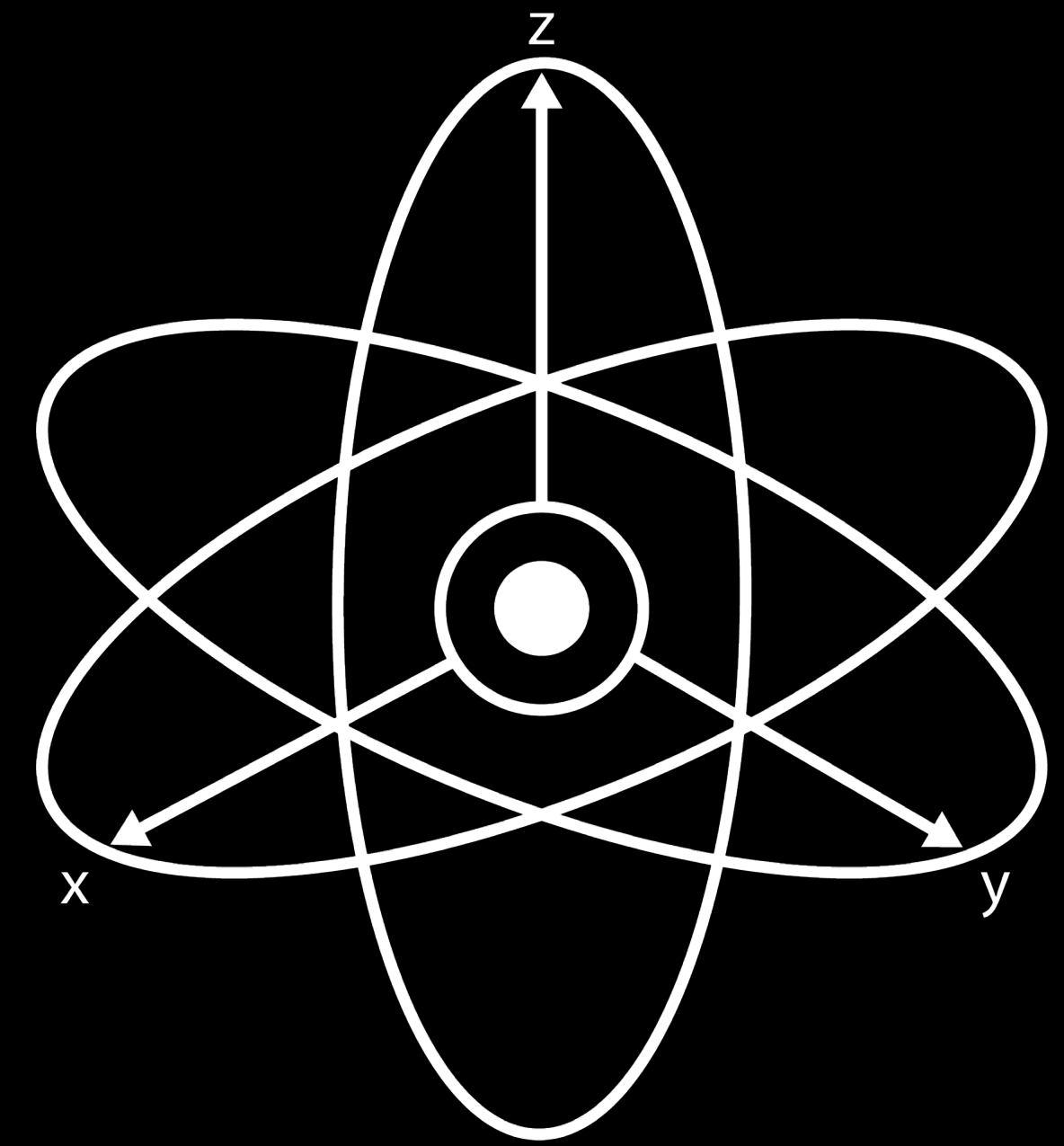


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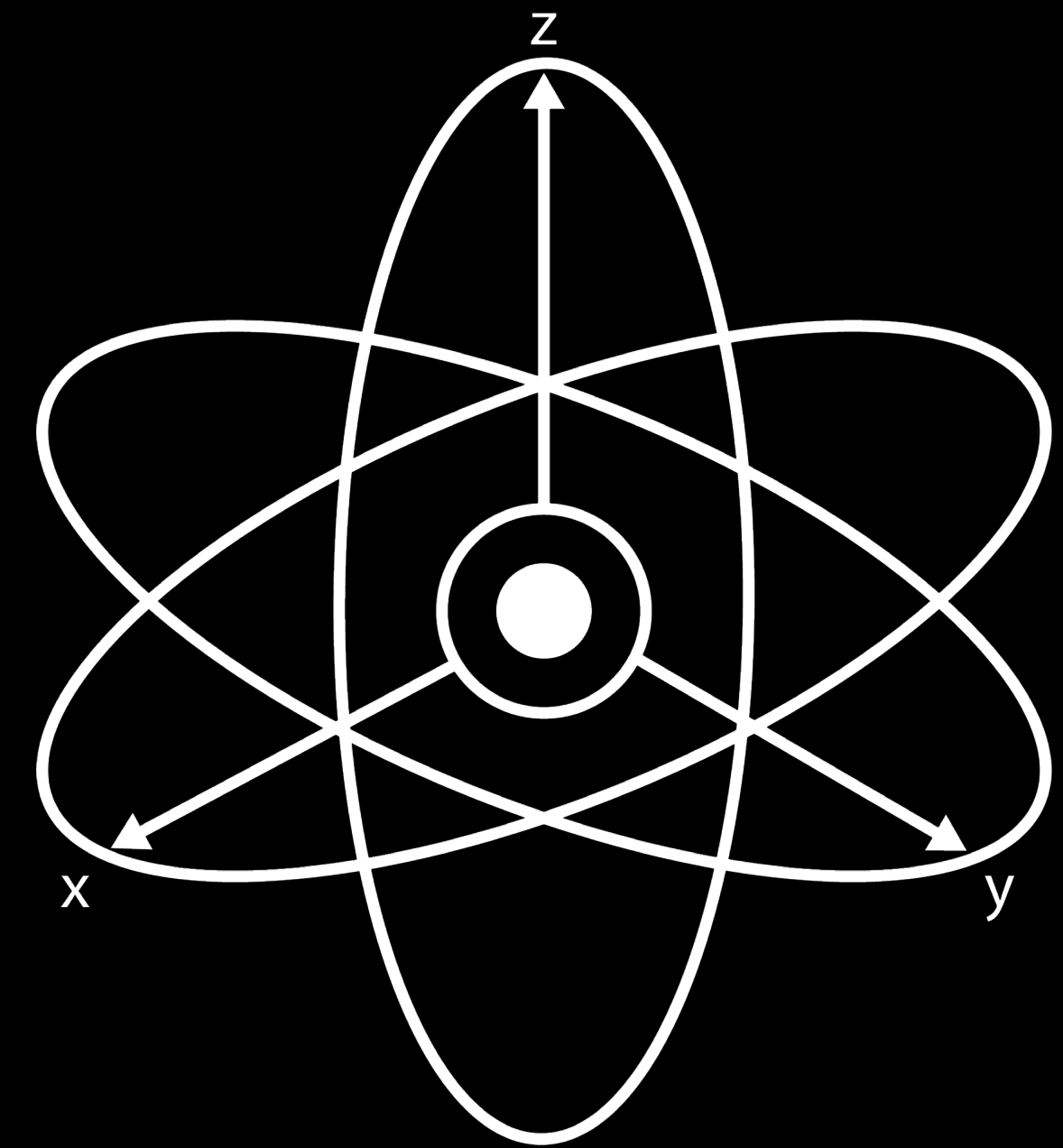
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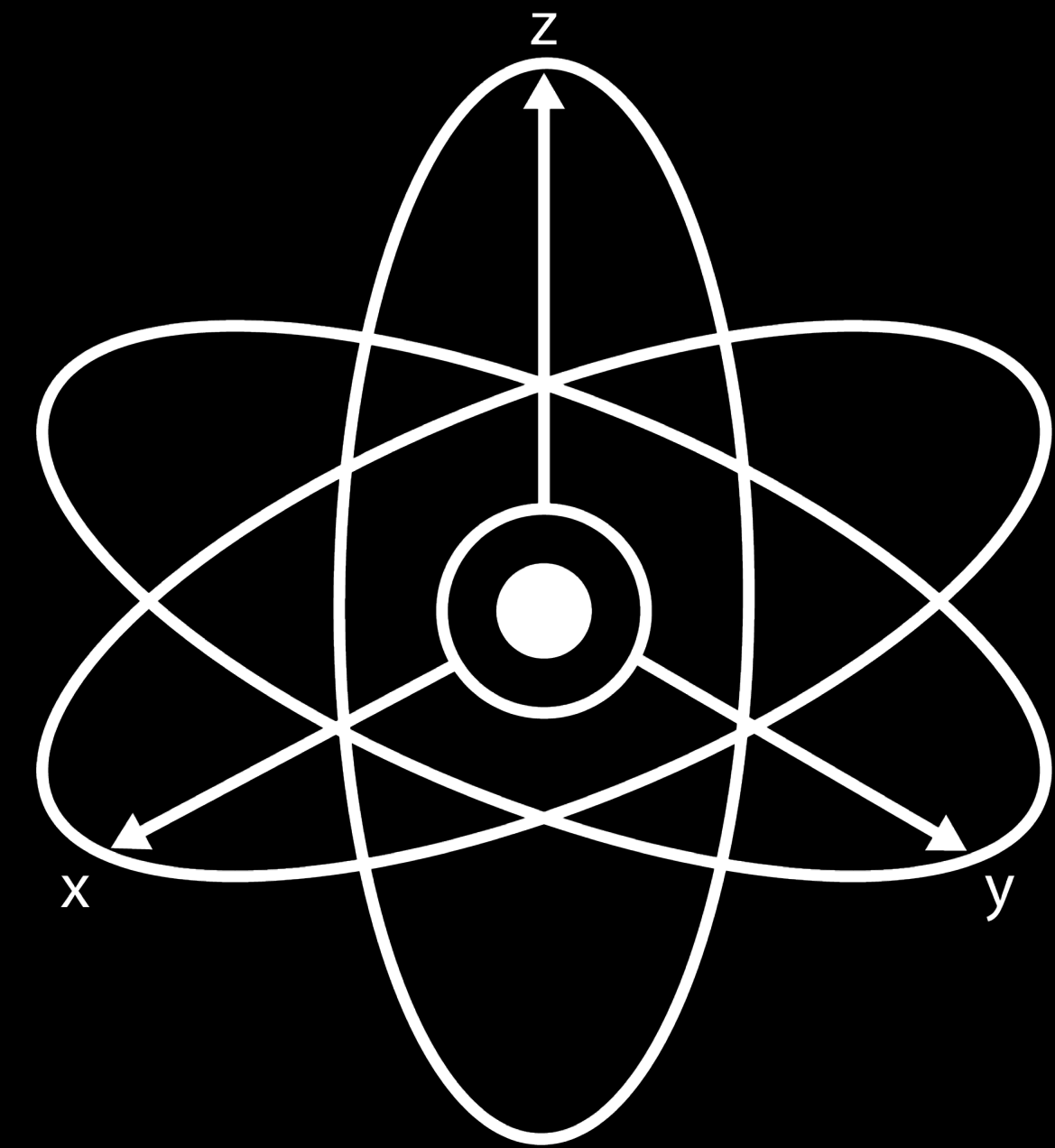


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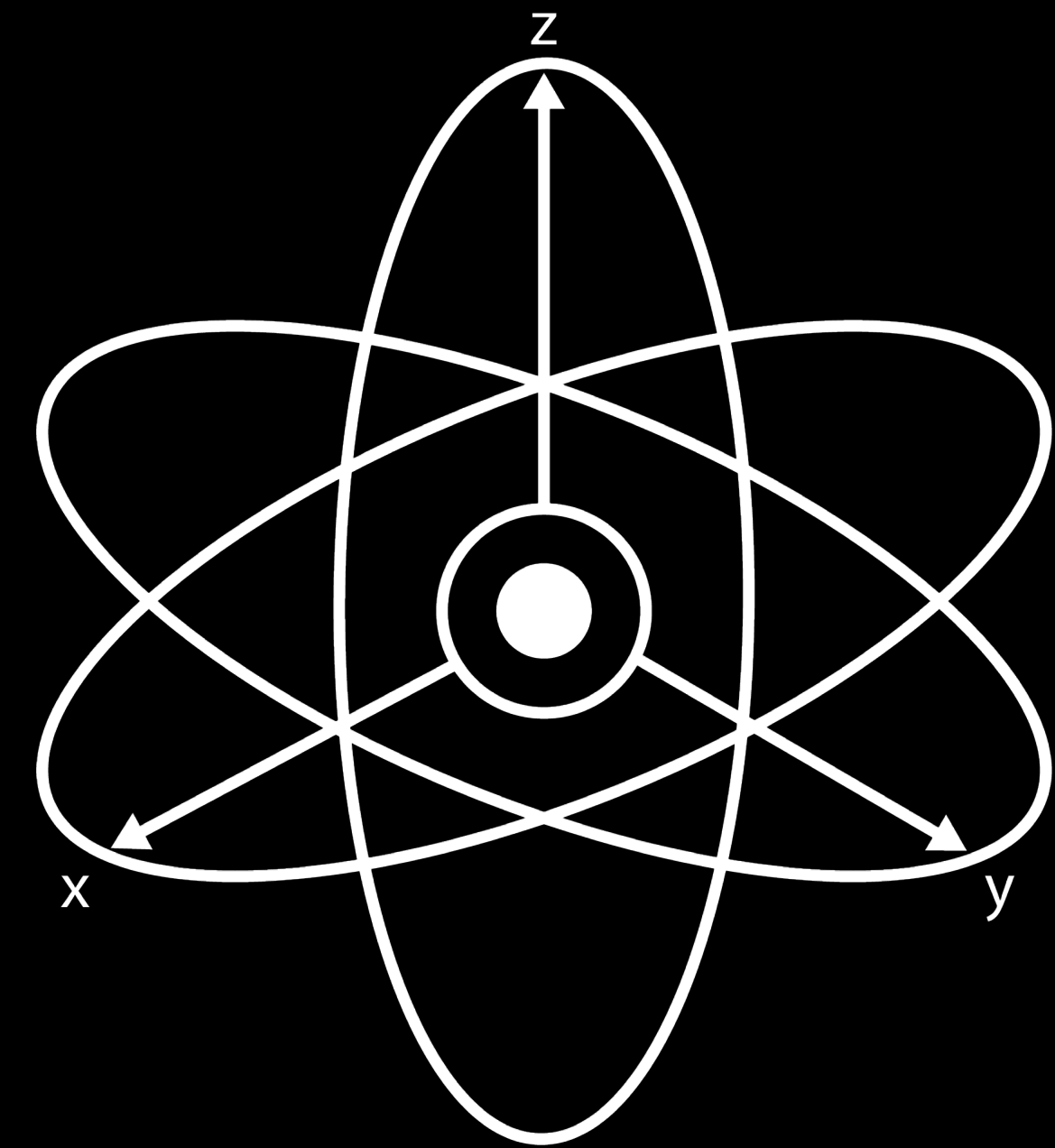
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Allows you to focus on the app



DeviceMotion

More references



What's New in Core Motion

WWDC 2011

Understanding Core Motion

WWDC 2012

Health And Fitness With Core Motion

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Reference Frames

Accelerometer and Gyroscope

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xArbitraryZVertical

xArbitraryCorrectedZVertical

xMagneticNorthZVertical

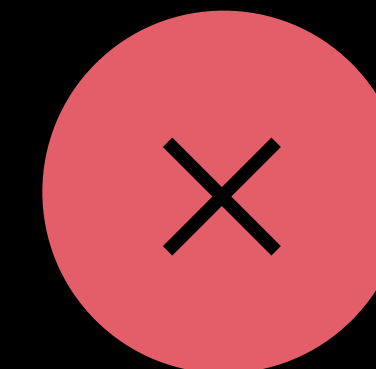
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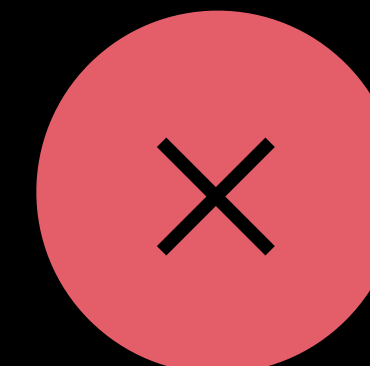
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Game Control

Accelerometer

Tilt left and right to steer



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Accelerometer

Tilt left and right to steer



Game Control

Accelerometer

Tilt left and right to steer

Estimate gravity from accelerometer



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Estimate gravity from accelerometer

Determine tilt from gravity



Acceleration Ambiguity

Gestures can be ambiguous



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Could isolate gravity by averaging



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Filtering affects responsiveness



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Filtering affects responsiveness

DeviceMotion means less filtering



xArbitraryZVertical

Default reference frame

xArbitraryZVertical

Default reference frame

Great for tip and tilt

xArbitraryZVertical

Default reference frame

Great for tip and tilt

Accelerometer and gyroscope fused

xArbitraryZVertical

Default reference frame

Great for tip and tilt

Accelerometer and gyroscope fused

Gravity for tilt

xArbitraryZVertical

Default reference frame

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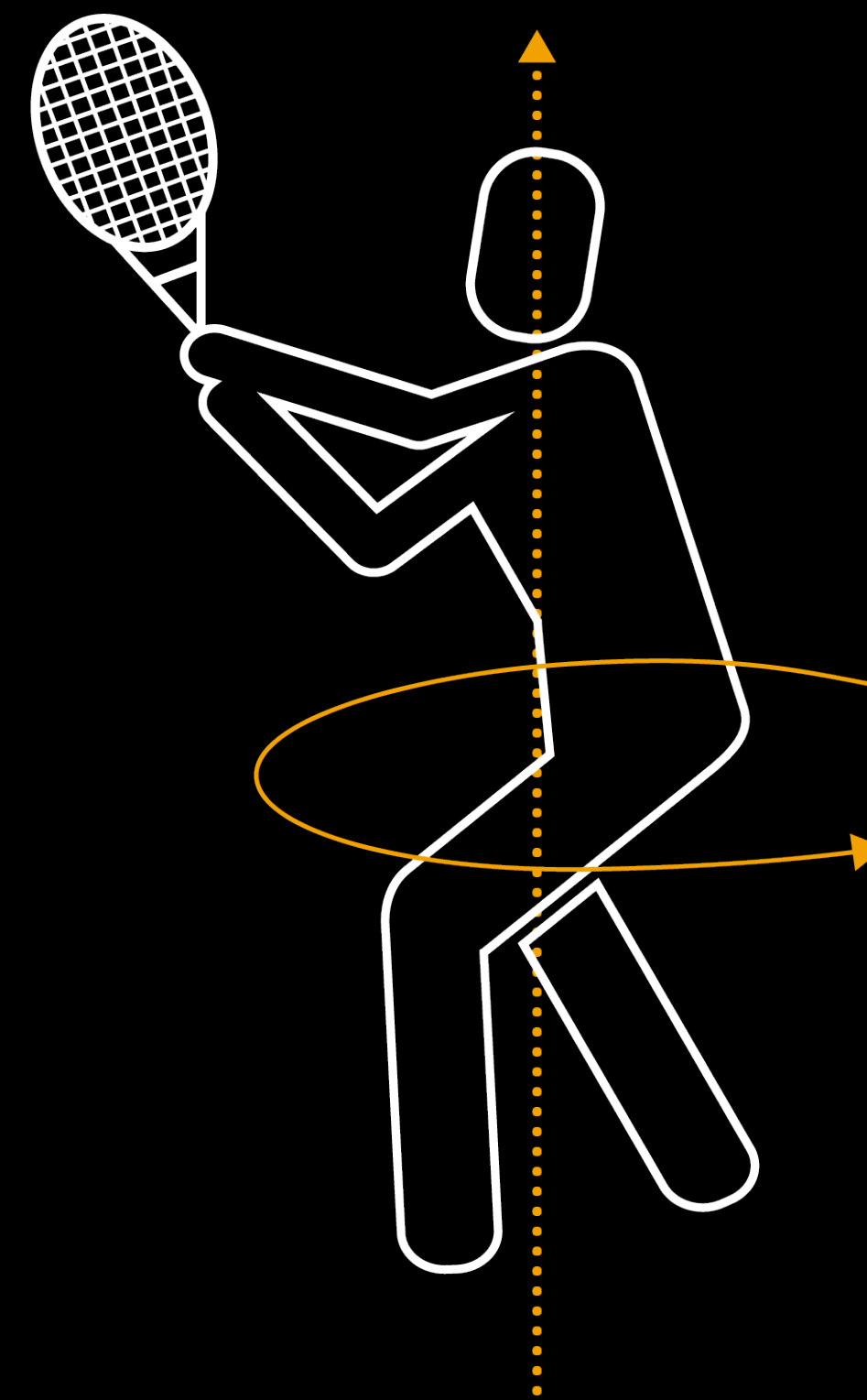
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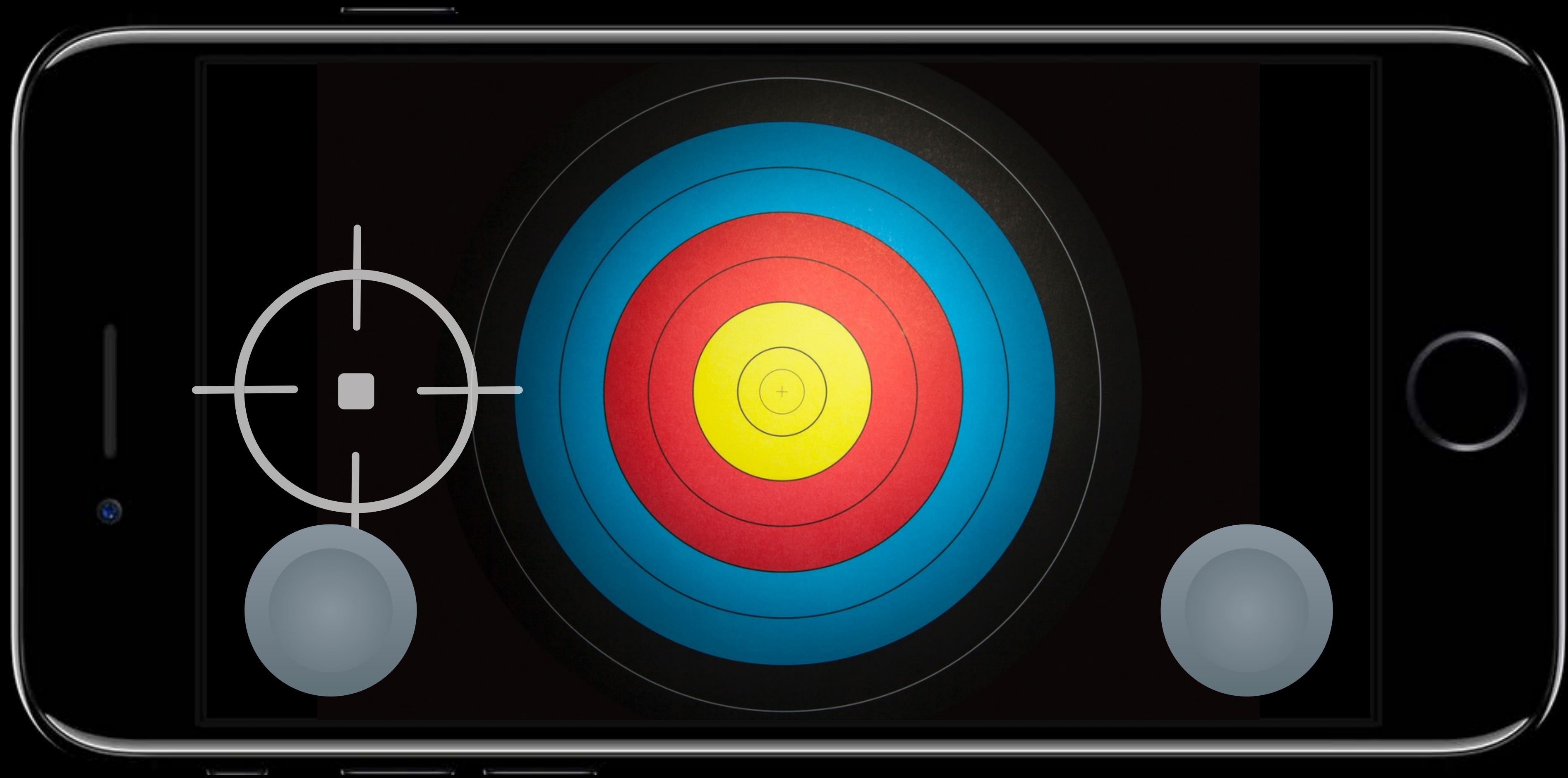
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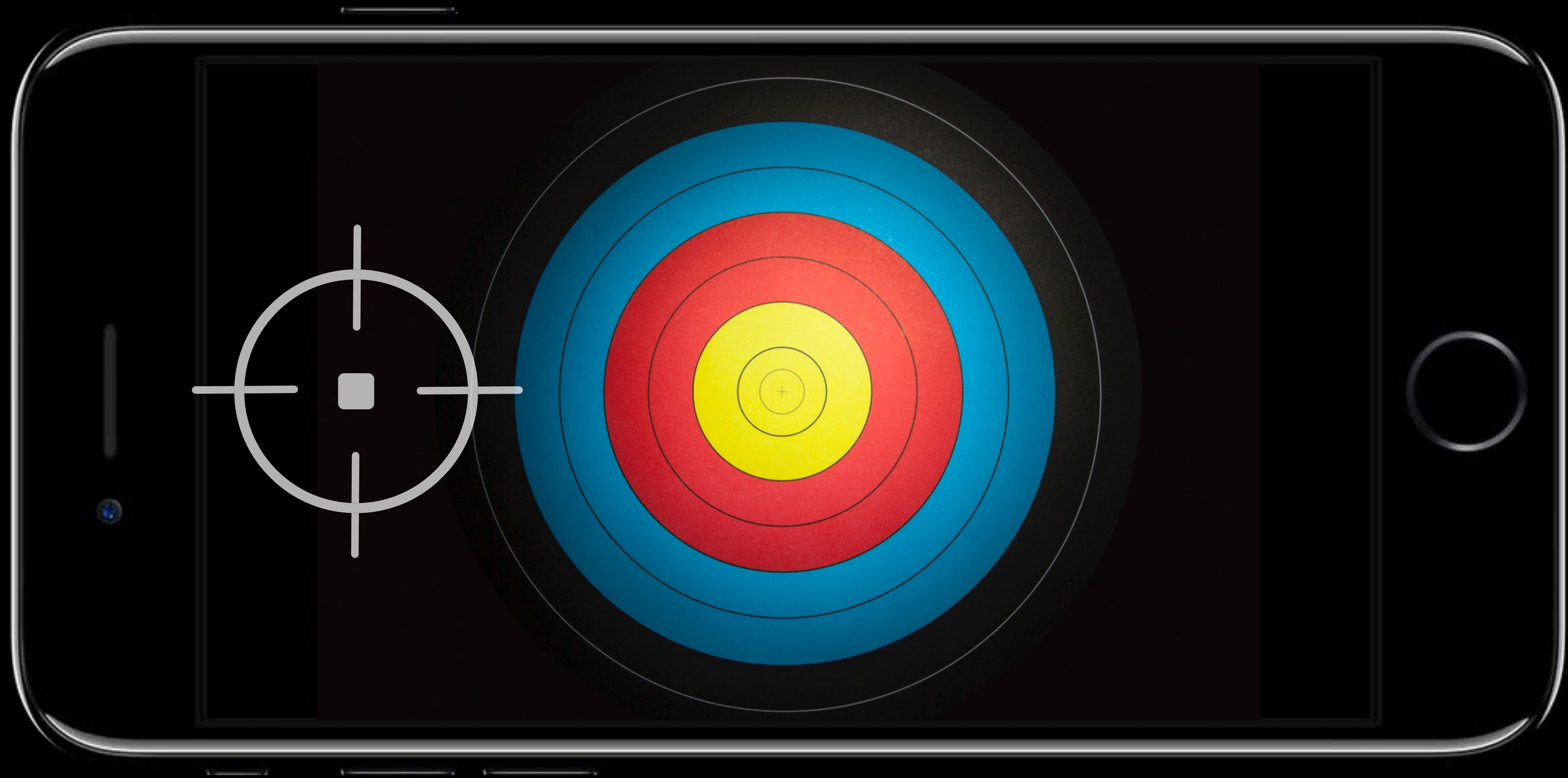
xArbitraryZVertical

Great for gestures

Check out SwingWatch









Game Control

Attitude for aiming



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Attitude for aiming

Attitude provides rotation from
reference frame

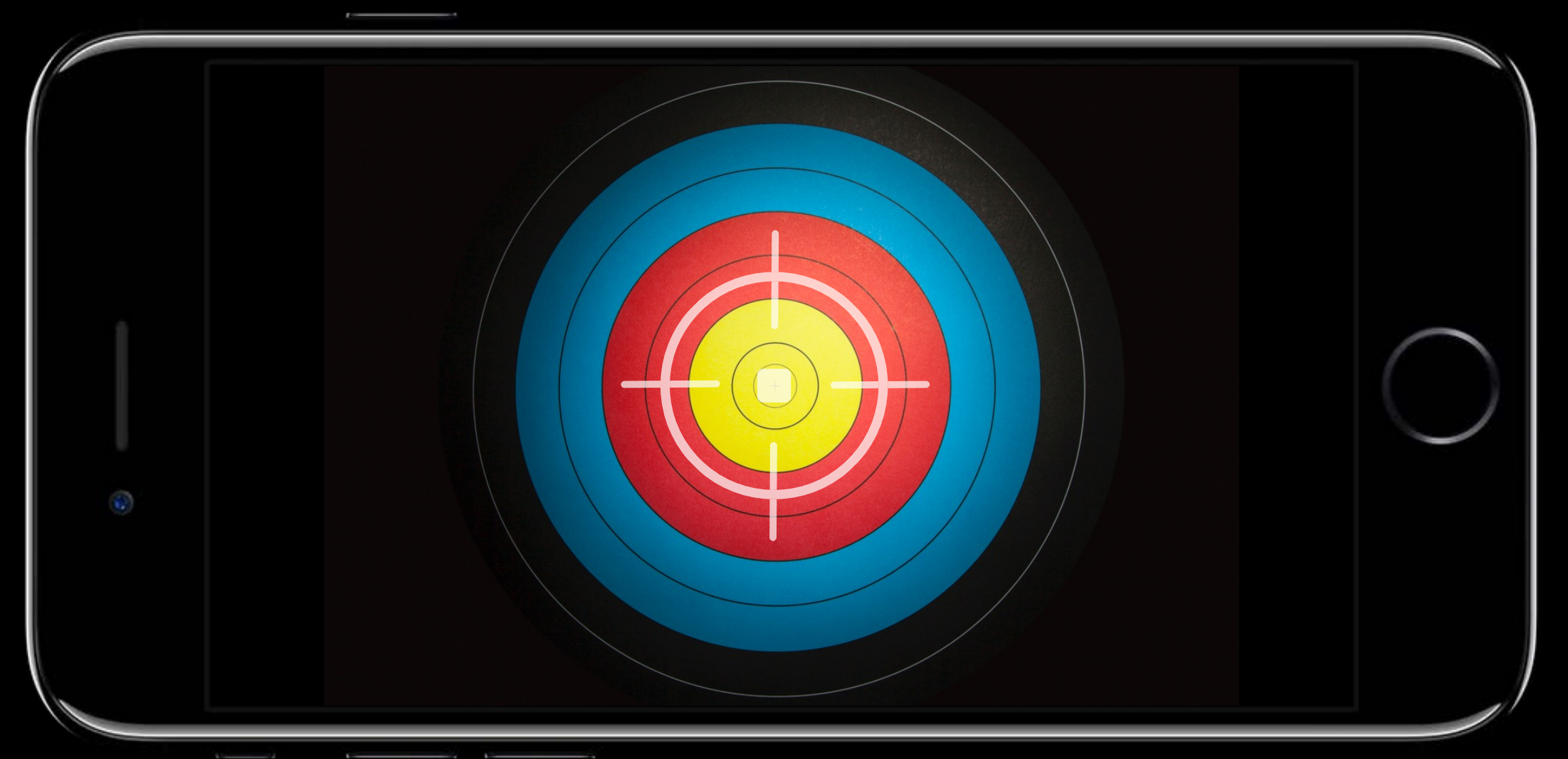


Game Control

Attitude for aiming

Attitude provides rotation from
reference frame

Avoid taking integral of raw gyroscope



xArbitraryCorrectedZVertical

Uses magnetometer to improve horizontal attitude

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Reliable attitude

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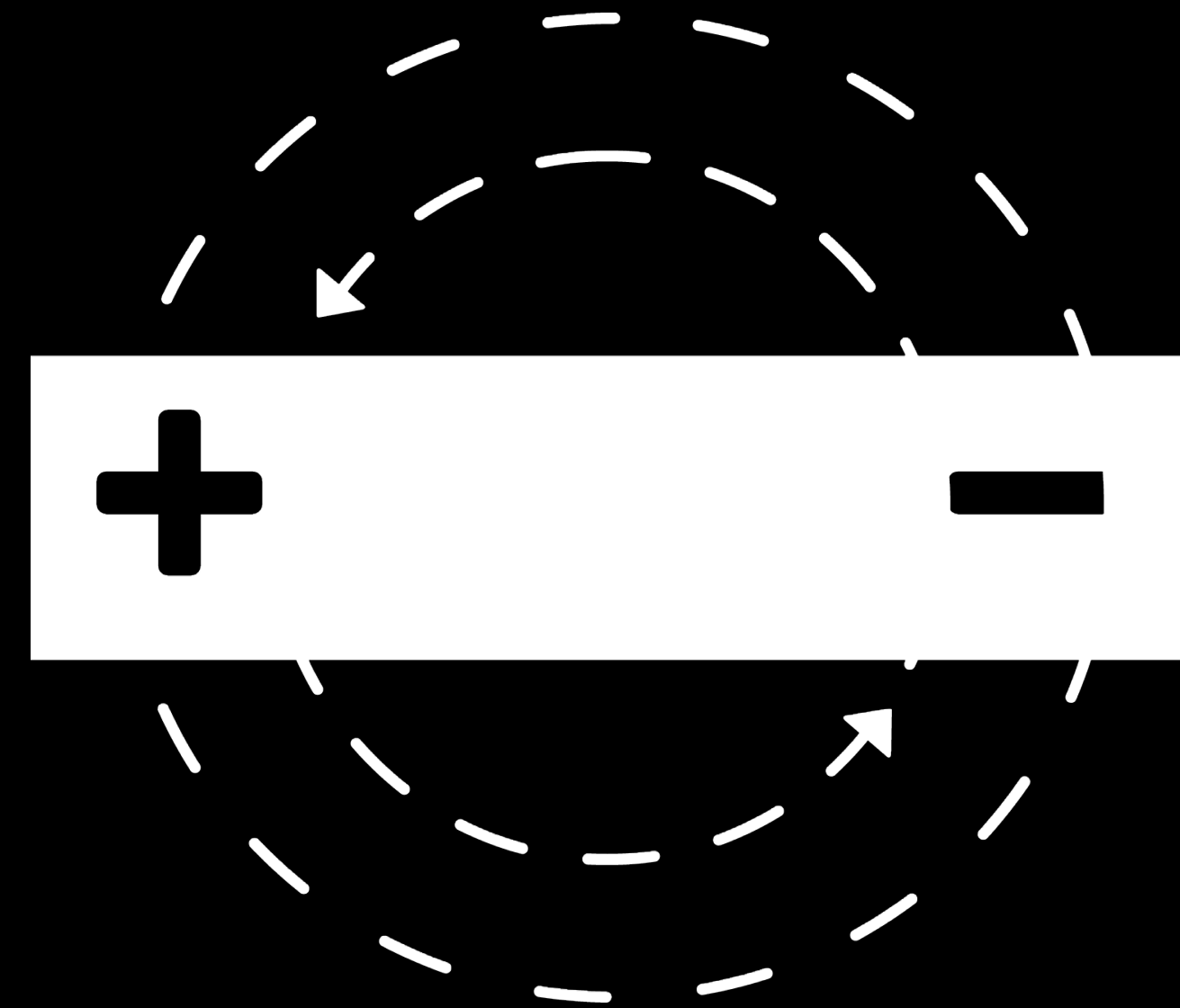
Provides fixed center reference





Magnetometer

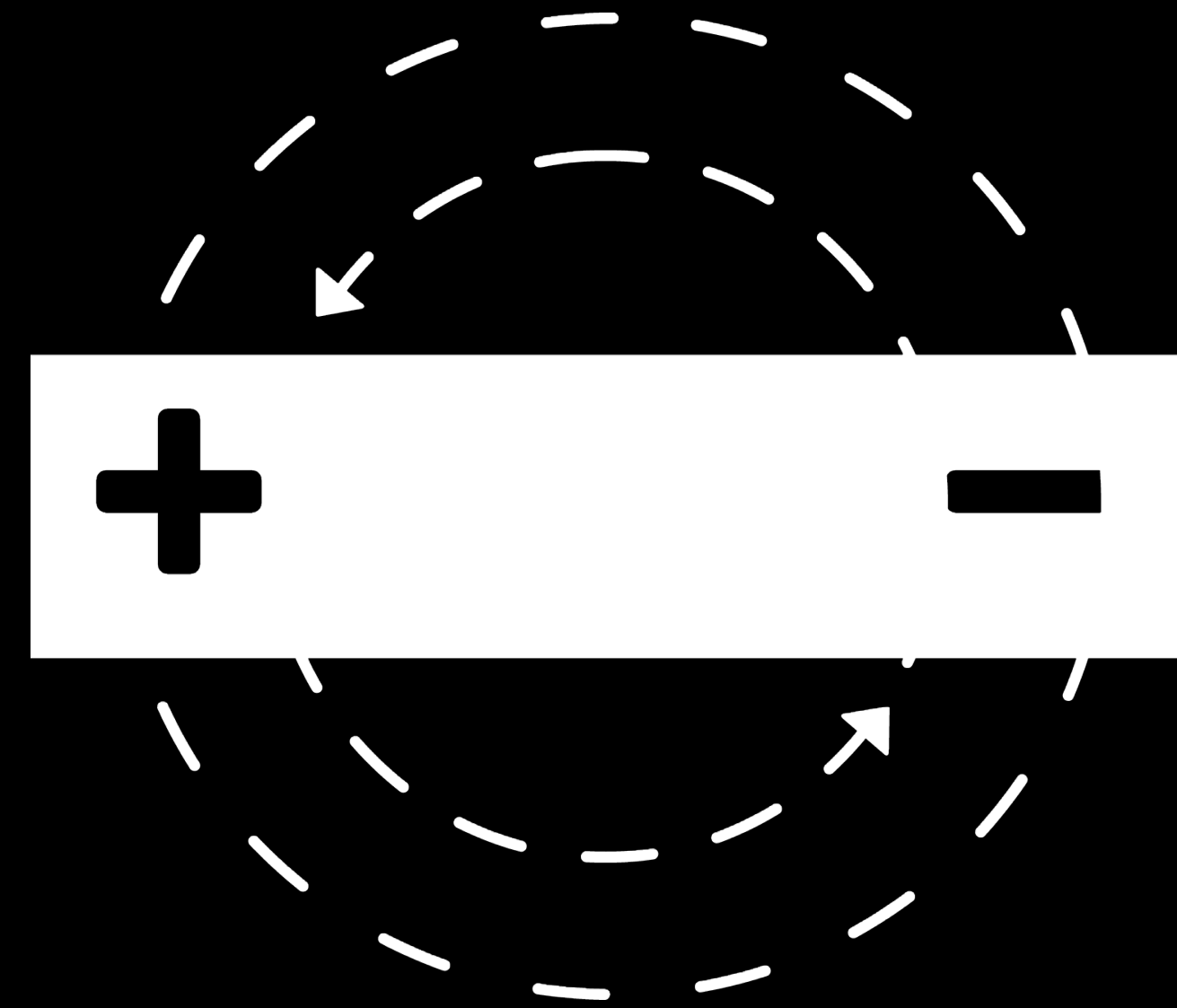
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Raw magnetometer susceptible to disturbances

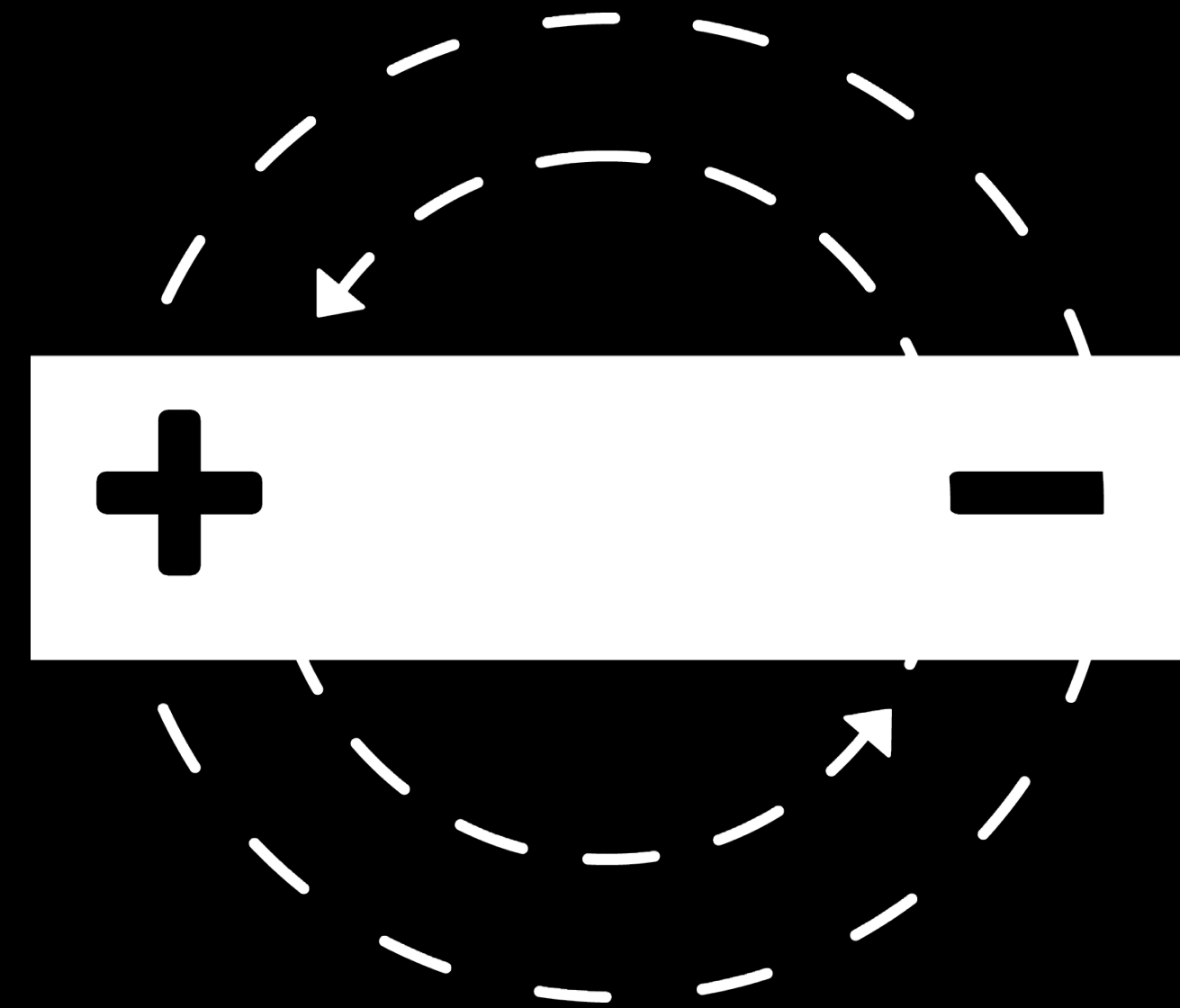


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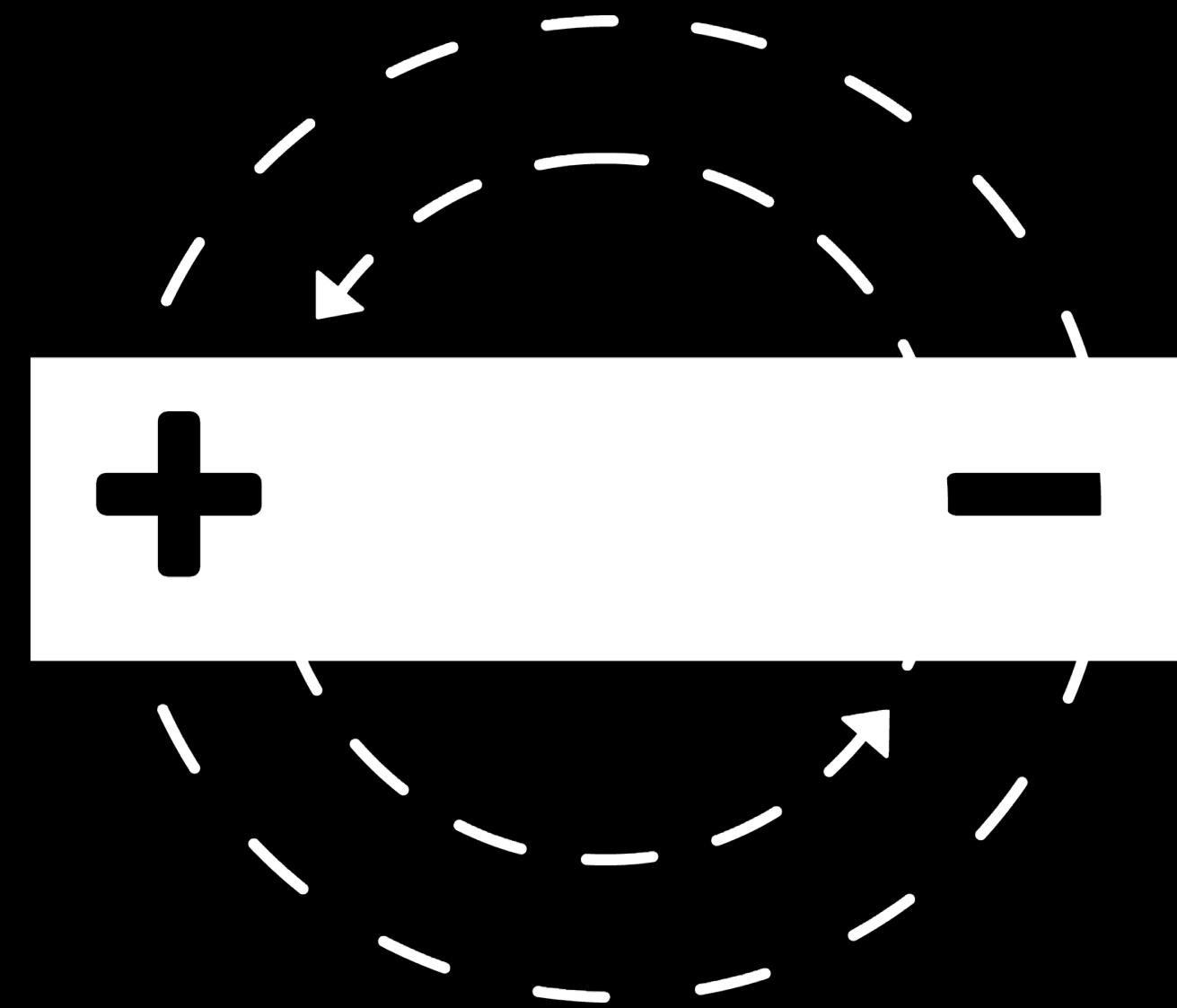


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- Outside the device



xMagneticNorthZVertical and xTrueNorthZVertical

Orients device to the world

xMagneticNorthZVertical and xTrueNorthZVertical

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Handles:

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xMagneticNorthZVertical and xTrueNorthZVertical

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Pick frame based on your app needs

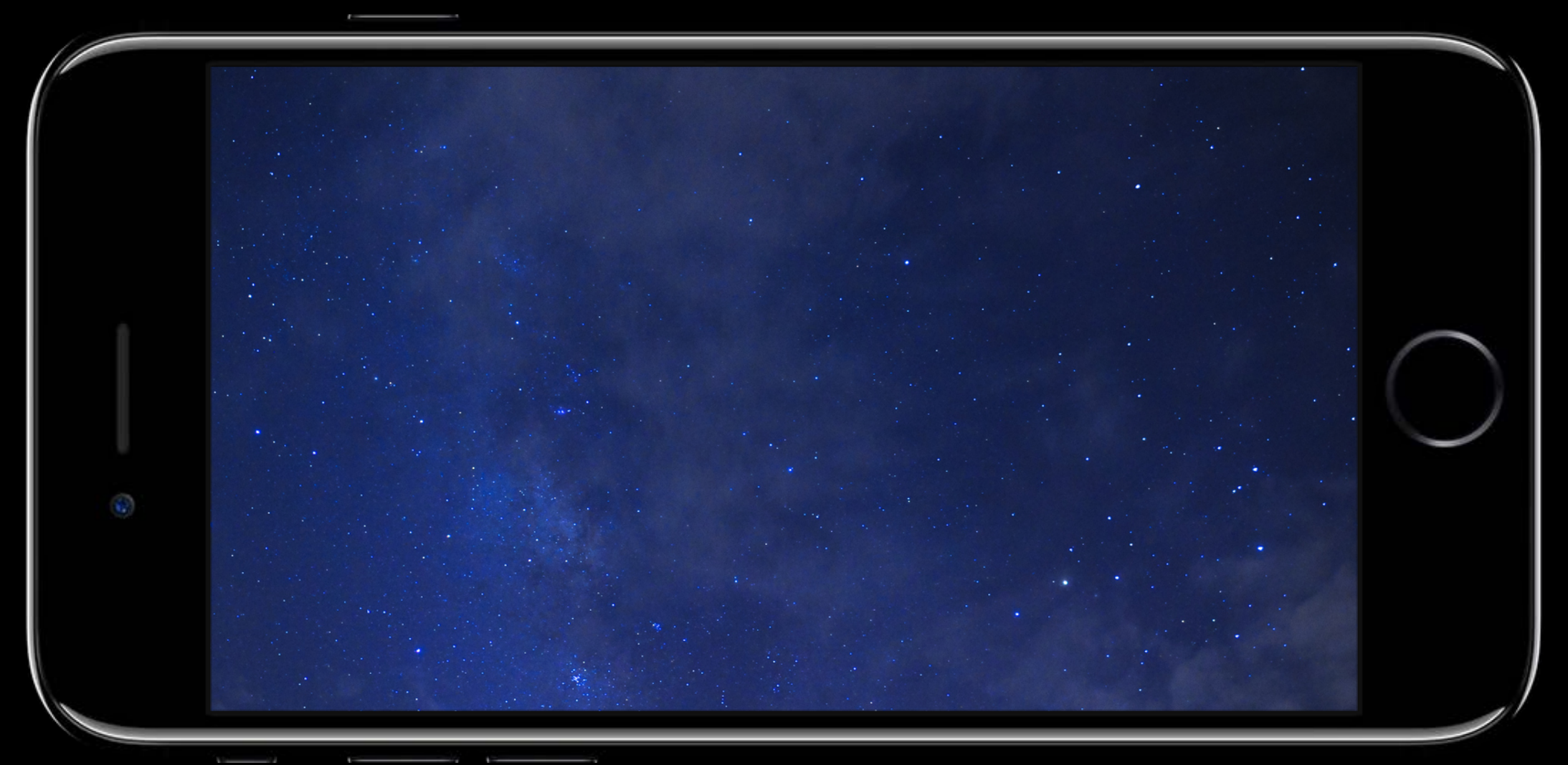
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Check out ARKit



Heading

Direction with respect to north



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Heading

Direction with respect to north

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CoreLocation's heading can fuse course

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CoreLocation's heading can fuse course

Could calculate from attitude

DeviceMotion now provides heading



Heading

NEW

Fuses accelerometer, gyroscope, and magnetometer

Heading

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Fuses accelerometer, gyroscope, and magnetometer

iOS only

Heading



NEW

Valid for XMagneticNorth, XTrueNorth

```
// CMDeviceMotion

@available(iOS 11.0, *)
open var heading: Double { get }
```

Heading



NEW

Valid for `XMagneticNorth`, `XTrueNorth`

0-359 degrees from X axis (North)

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DeviceMotion

Best practices

Check for availability

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```
@available(iOS 5.0, *)  
open class func availableAttitudeReferenceFrames() -> CMAttitudeReferenceFrame
```

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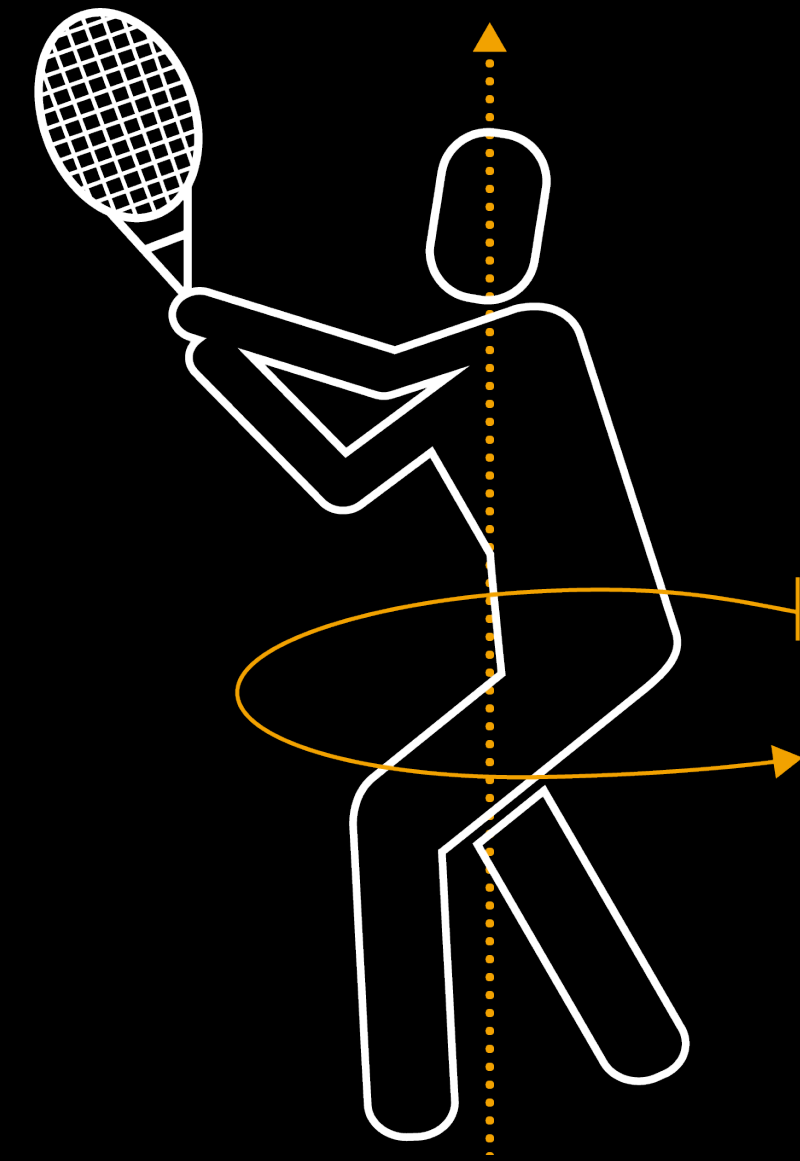
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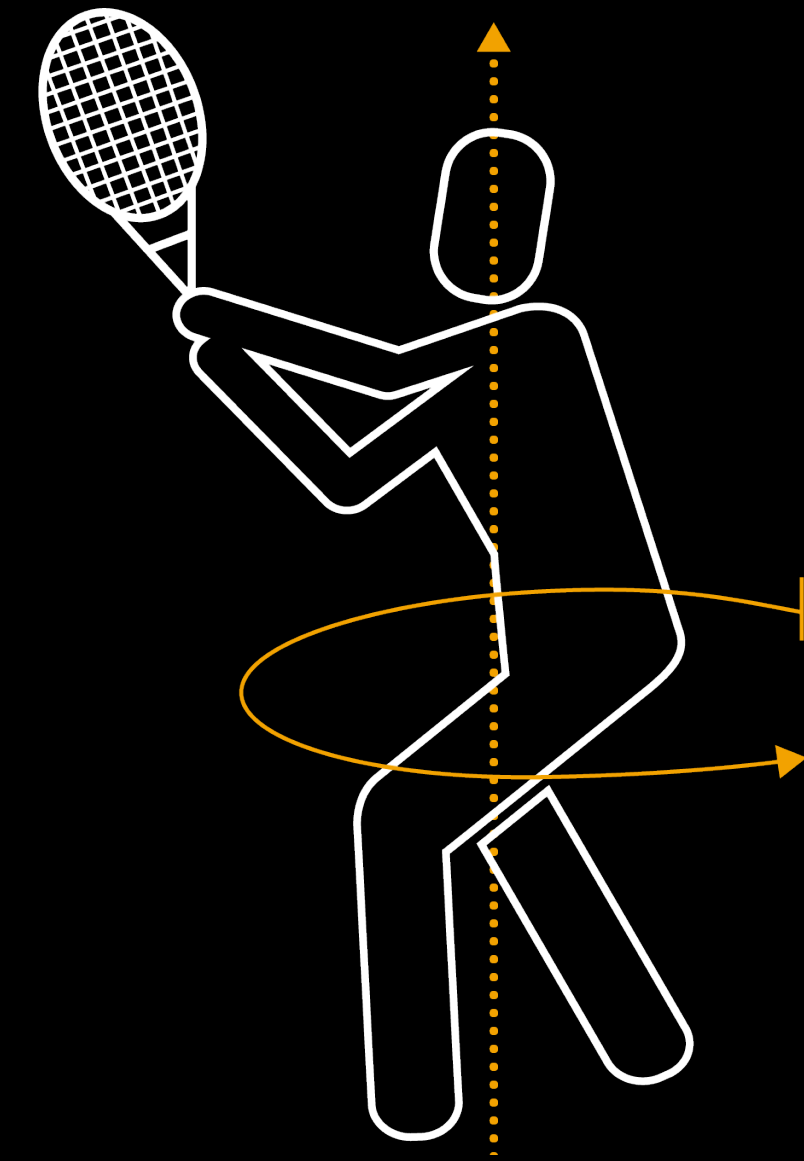
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DeviceMotion

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Detecting discrete gestures over time

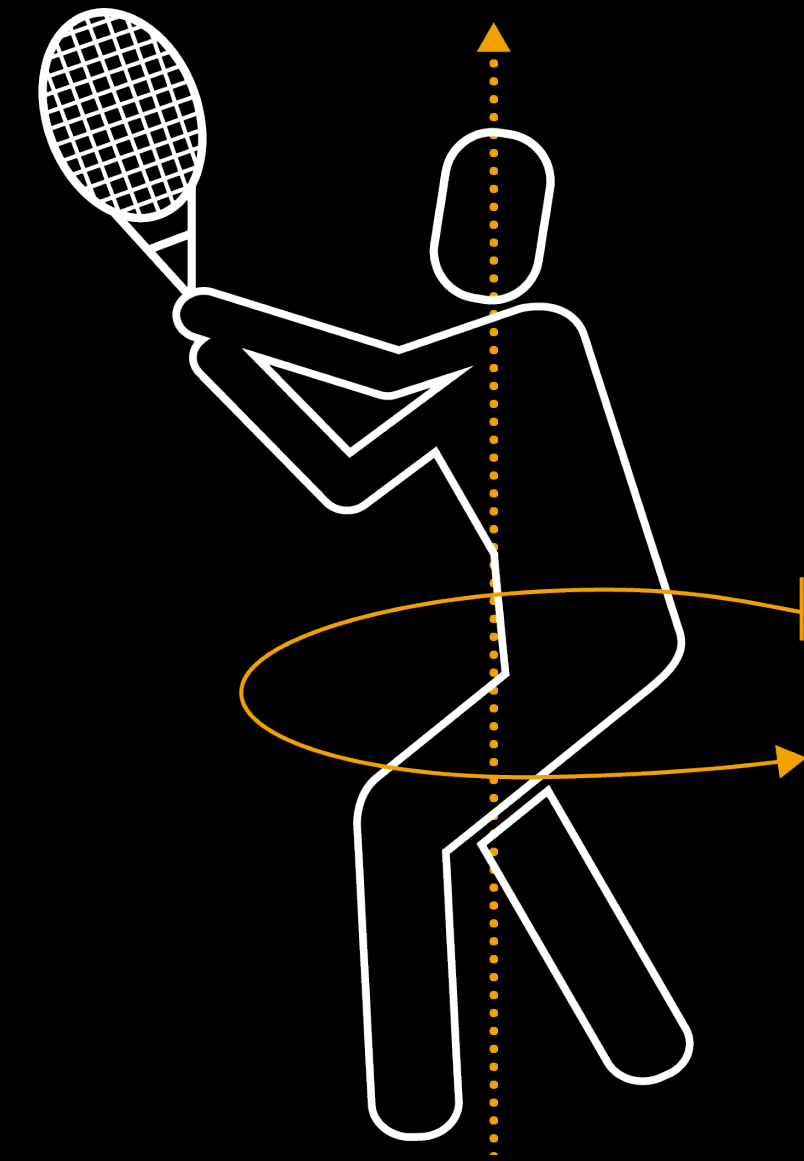


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Detecting discrete gestures over time

Get data at a fixed interval

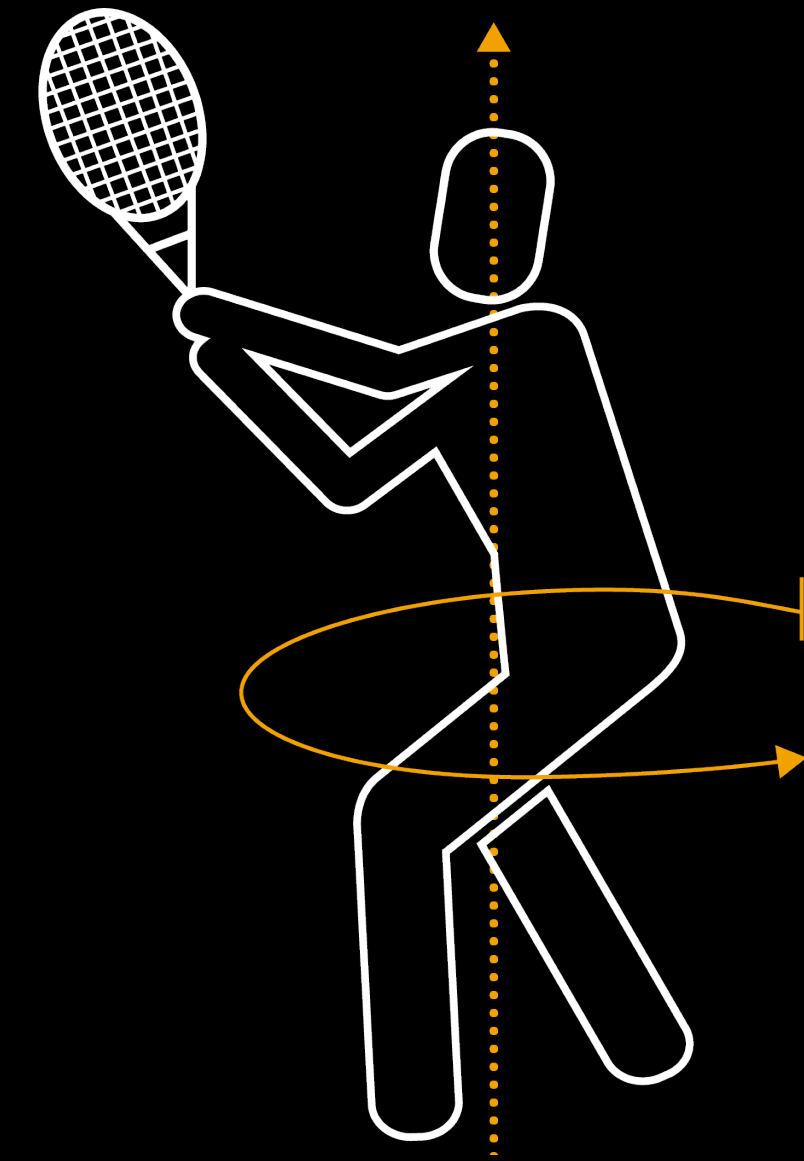


DeviceMotion

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Detecting discrete gestures over time

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```
// Push
```

```
func startDeviceMotionUpdates(using referenceFrame: CMAttitudeReferenceFrame,  
                             to queue: OperationQueue,  
                             withHandler handler: CoreMotion.CMDeviceMotionHandler)
```

DeviceMotion

Pull



DeviceMotion

Pull

Current device state



DeviceMotion

Pull

Current device state

Responsive



DeviceMotion

Pull

Current device state

Responsive



```
// Pull
```

```
func startDeviceMotionUpdates(using referenceFrame: CMAccelerationReferenceFrame)
```

```
// Using DeviceMotion

import CoreMotion
let motionManager = CMMotionManager()

// Before starting game logic
guard motionManager.isDeviceMotionAvailable else {
    print("Device Motion is not available.")
    return
}

let myFrame = CMAccelerationReferenceFrame.xArbitraryZVertical
guard CMMotionManager.availableAttitudeReferenceFrames().contains(myFrame) else {
    print("The reference frame XArbitraryZVertical is not available.")
    return
}
```

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Gesture Detection

Jump



→ +y

↓
+x

Gesture Detection

Jump



→ +y

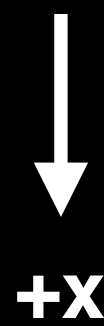
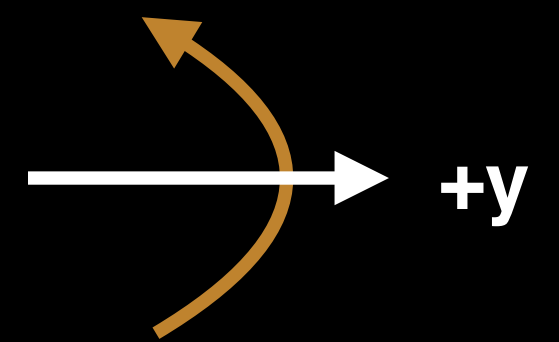
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Gesture Detection

Jump



Rotate Up



Gesture Detection

Jump

Gesture Detection

Jump

Rotating rate property

Gesture Detection

Jump

Rotating rate property

Detect a pulse

Gesture Detection

Jump

Rotating rate property

Detect a pulse

Use the push mechanism


```
// Rotation rate

// motionHandler
{ (deviceMotion: CMDeviceMotion?, error: Error?) in
    if let error = error {
        print("Encountered error: \(error!)")
        return
    }

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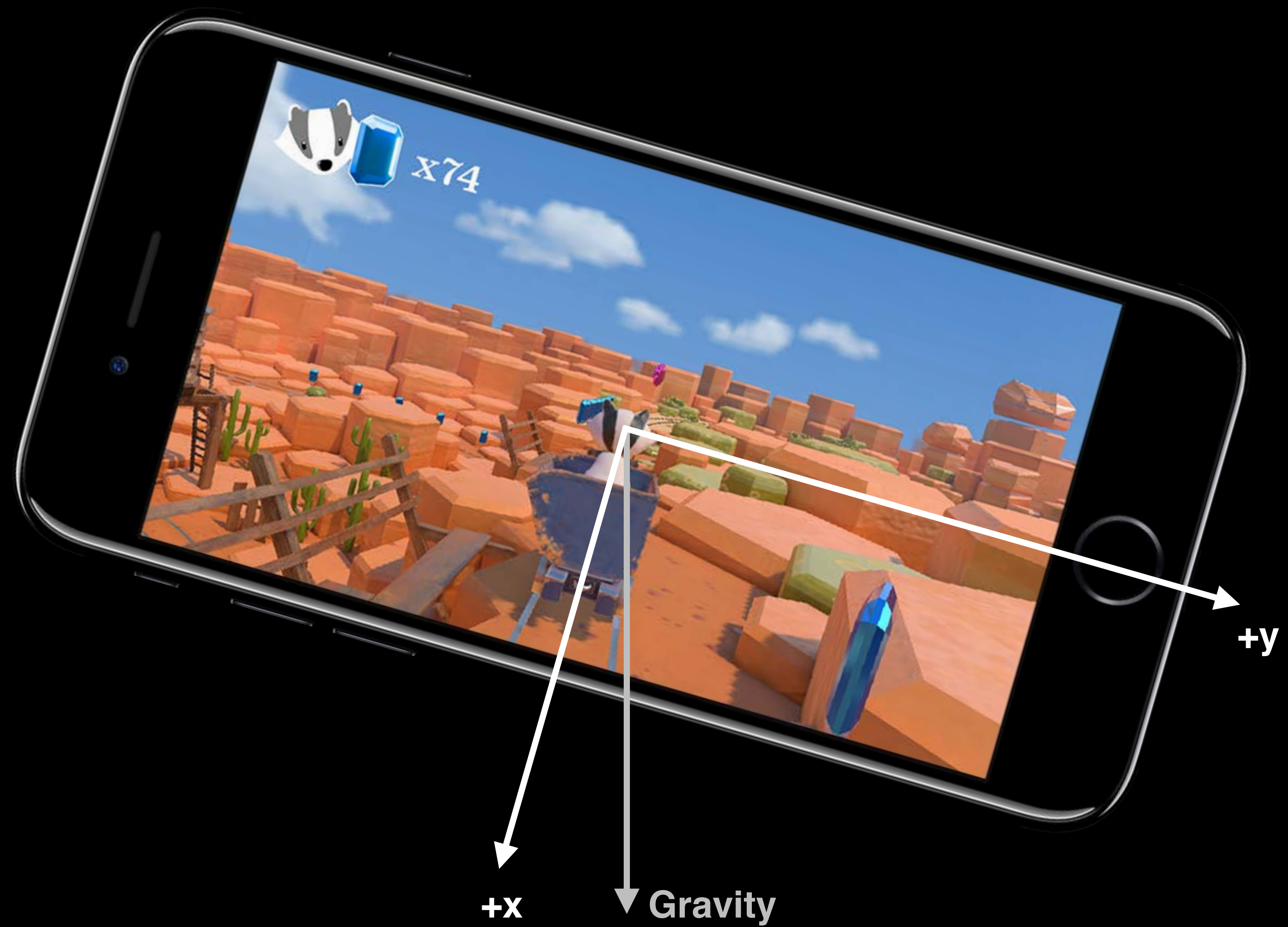
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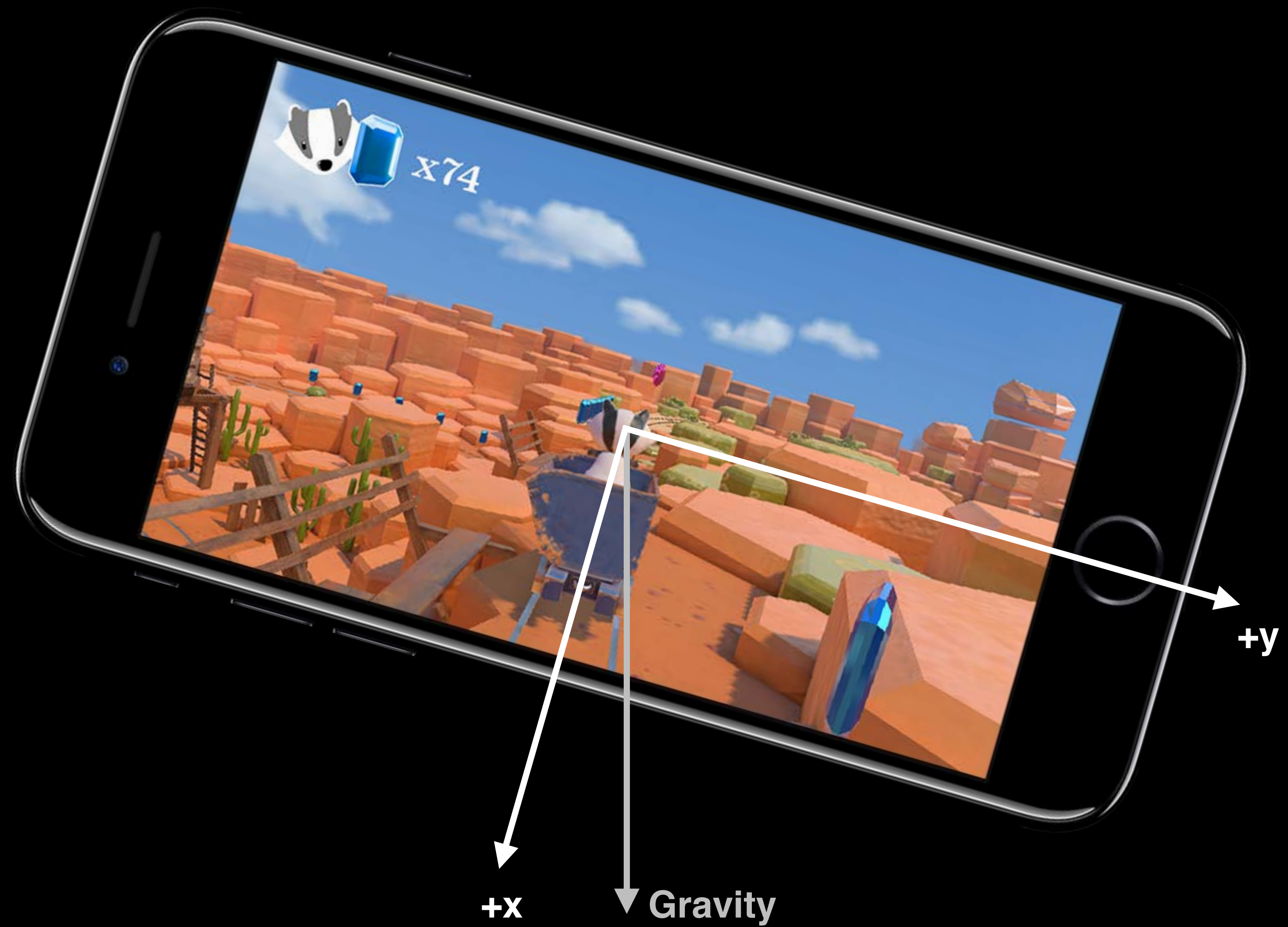
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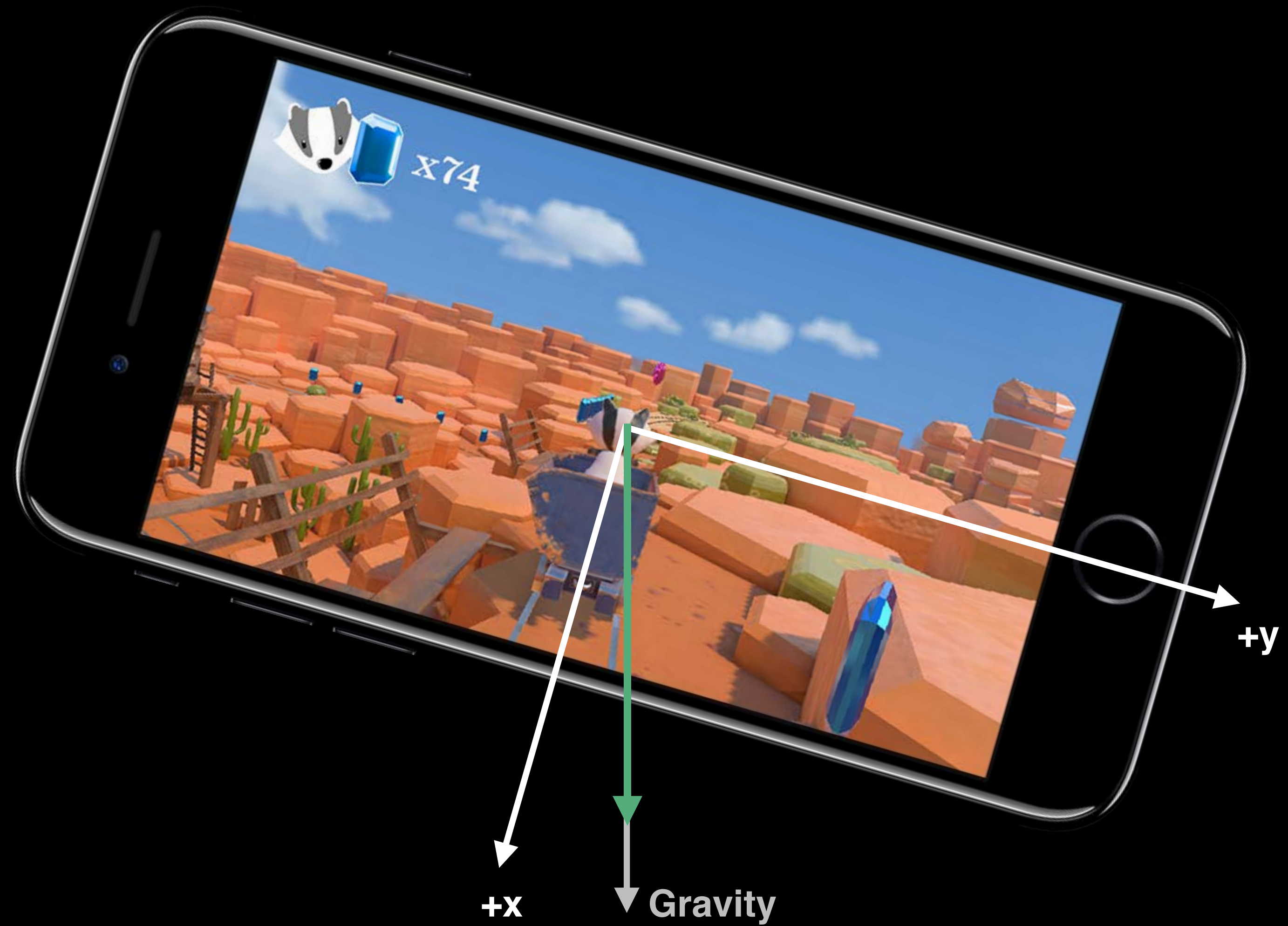
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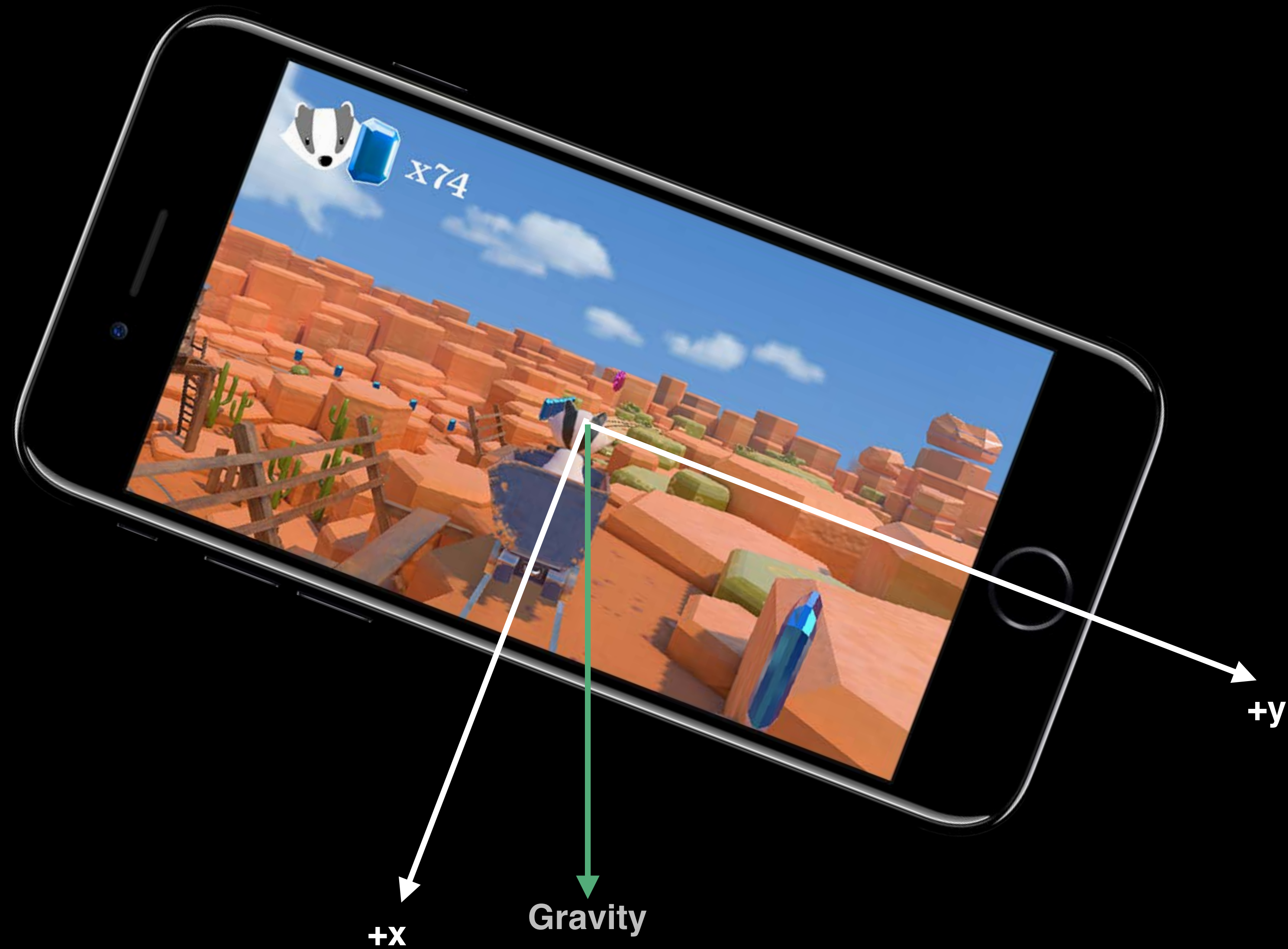
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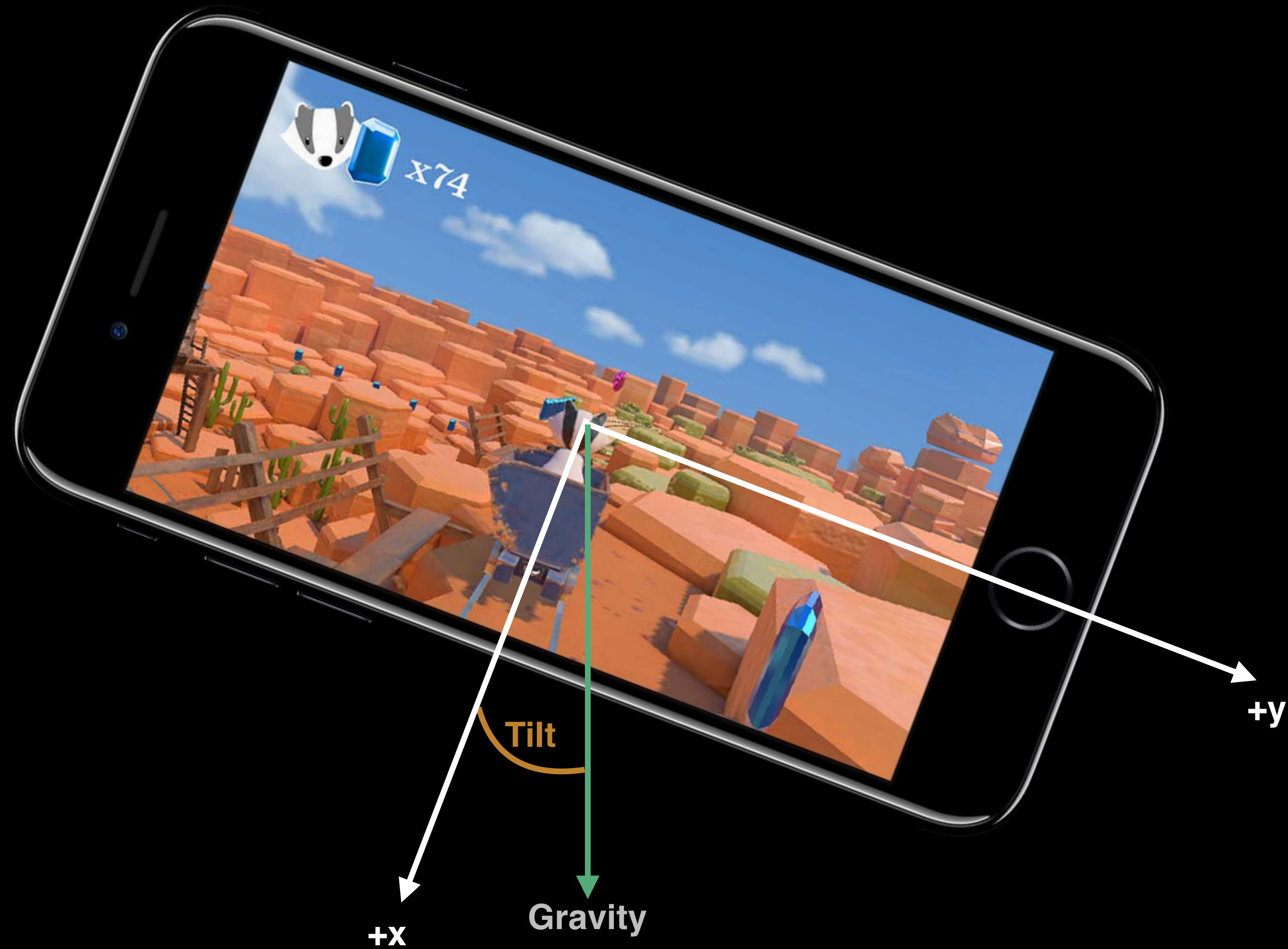

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Use the pull mechanism

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// Pull DeviceMotion samples

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