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Implementing Dark Mode in iOS

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Dark Mode is a new look

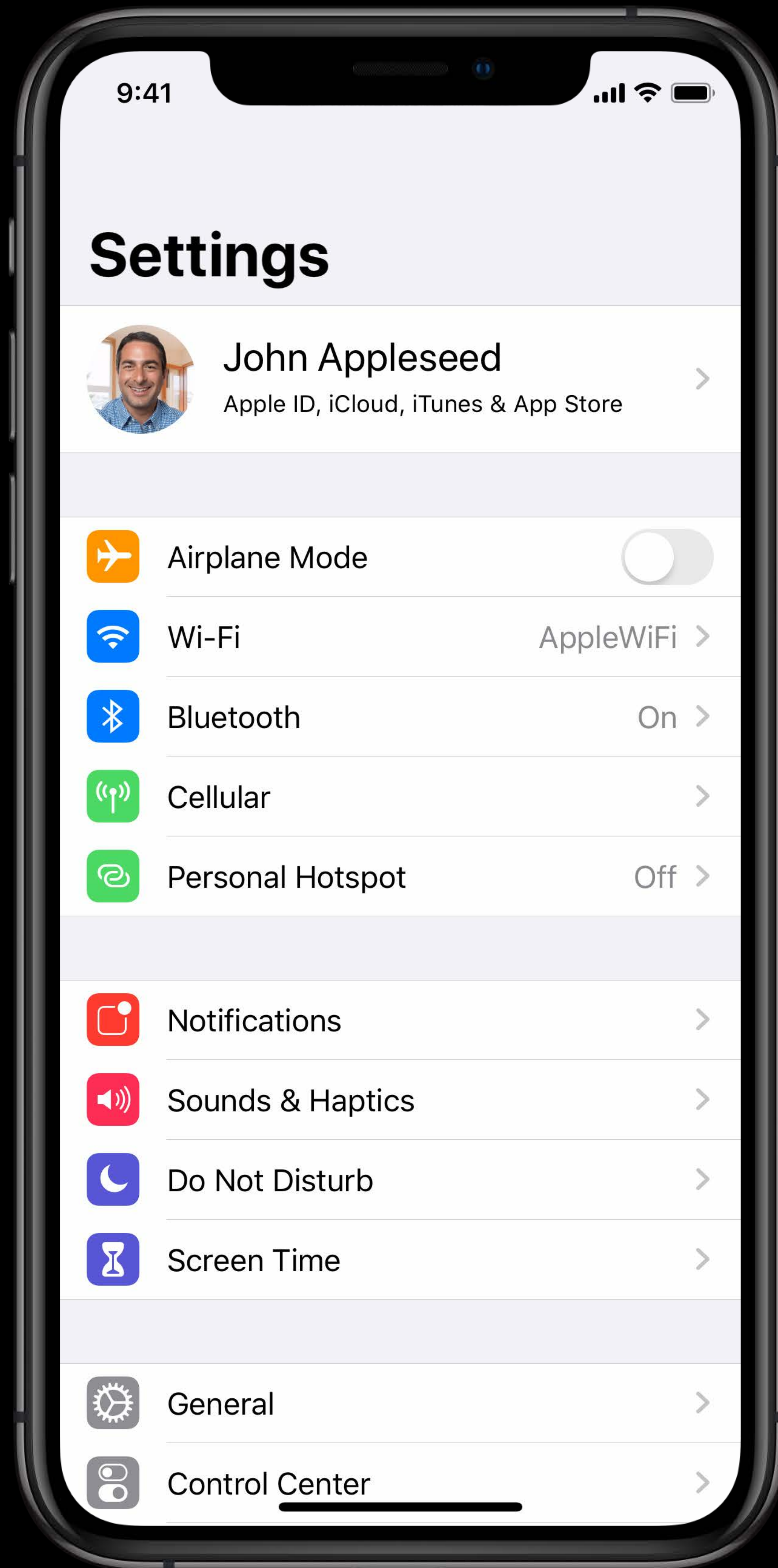
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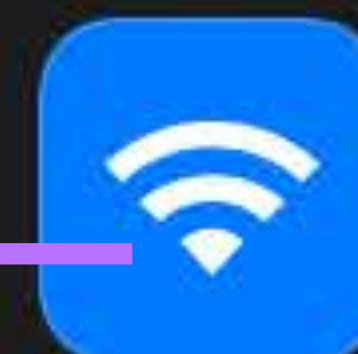
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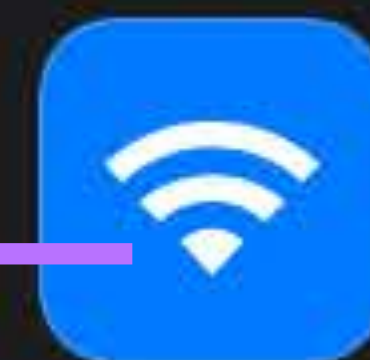
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systemGroupedBackground



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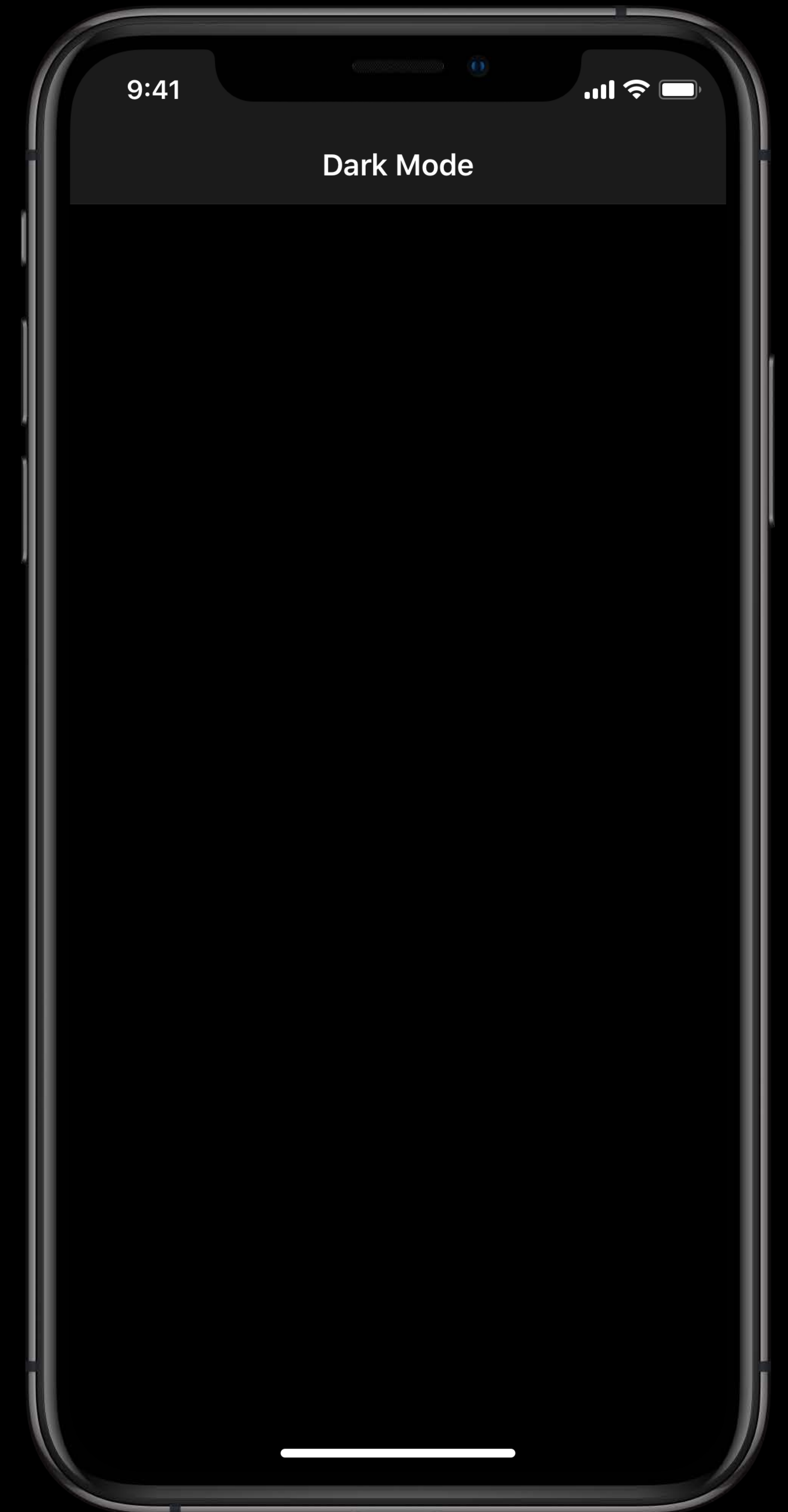
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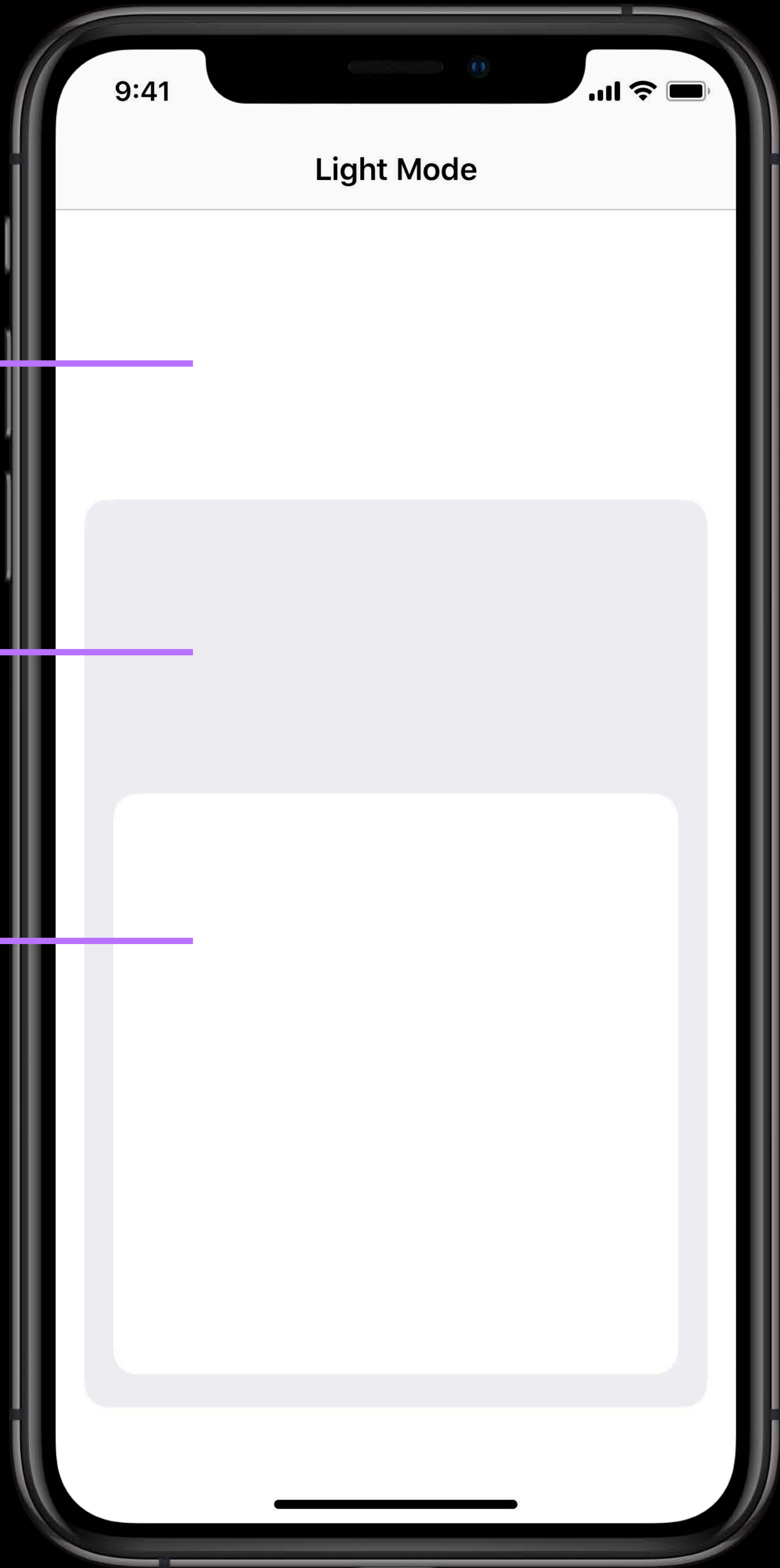


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systemBackground

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tertiarySystemBackground



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Dark Mode

Primary

Secondary

Tertiary

Quaternary

Secondary

Tertiary

Quaternary

Title

Subtitle

Placeholder

Disabled

Subtitle

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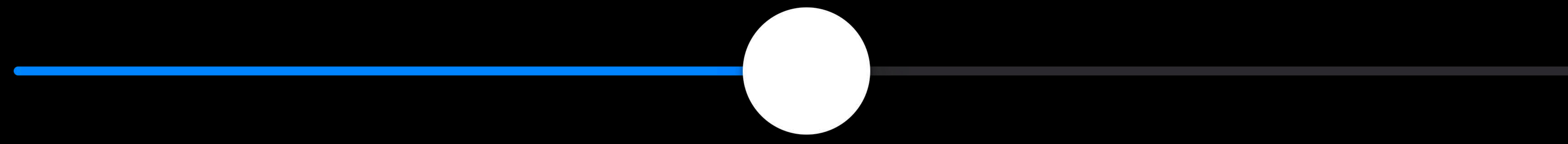
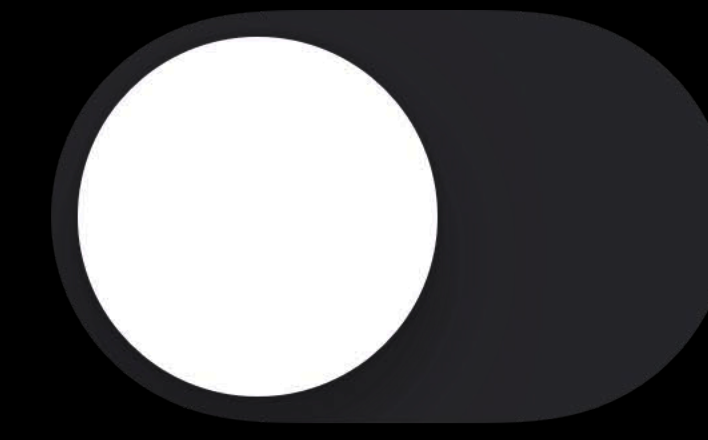
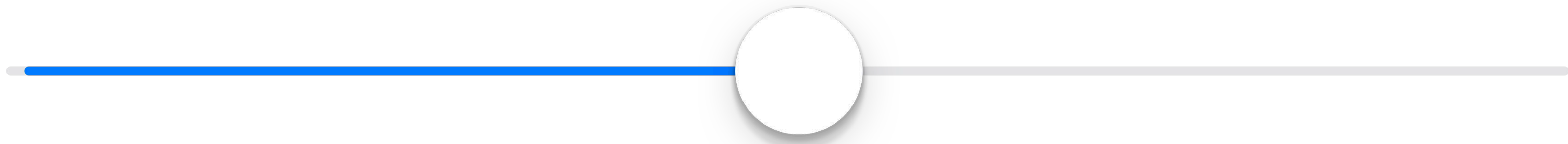
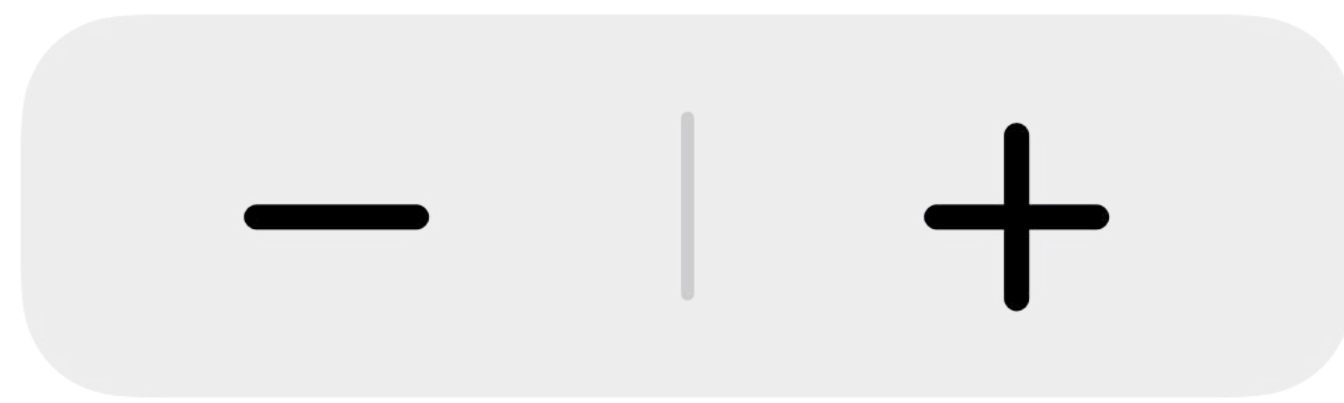
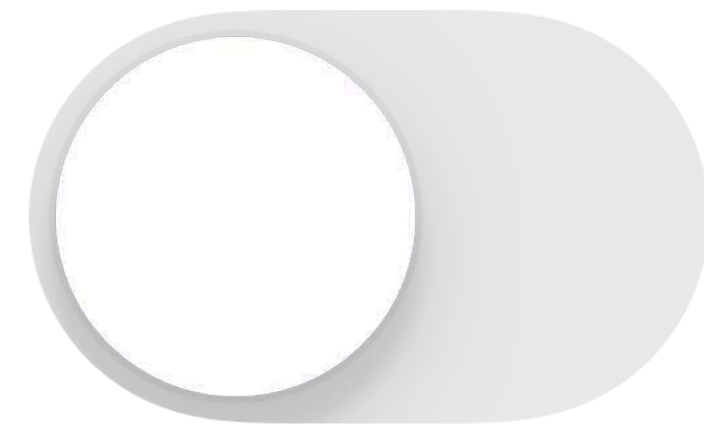
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Designing for Dark Mode

Use UIKit colors, materials, views, and controls

Customize colors and images when necessary

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Flexible and powerful

Implementing Dark Mode

Using iOS 13 SDK implies Dark Mode support

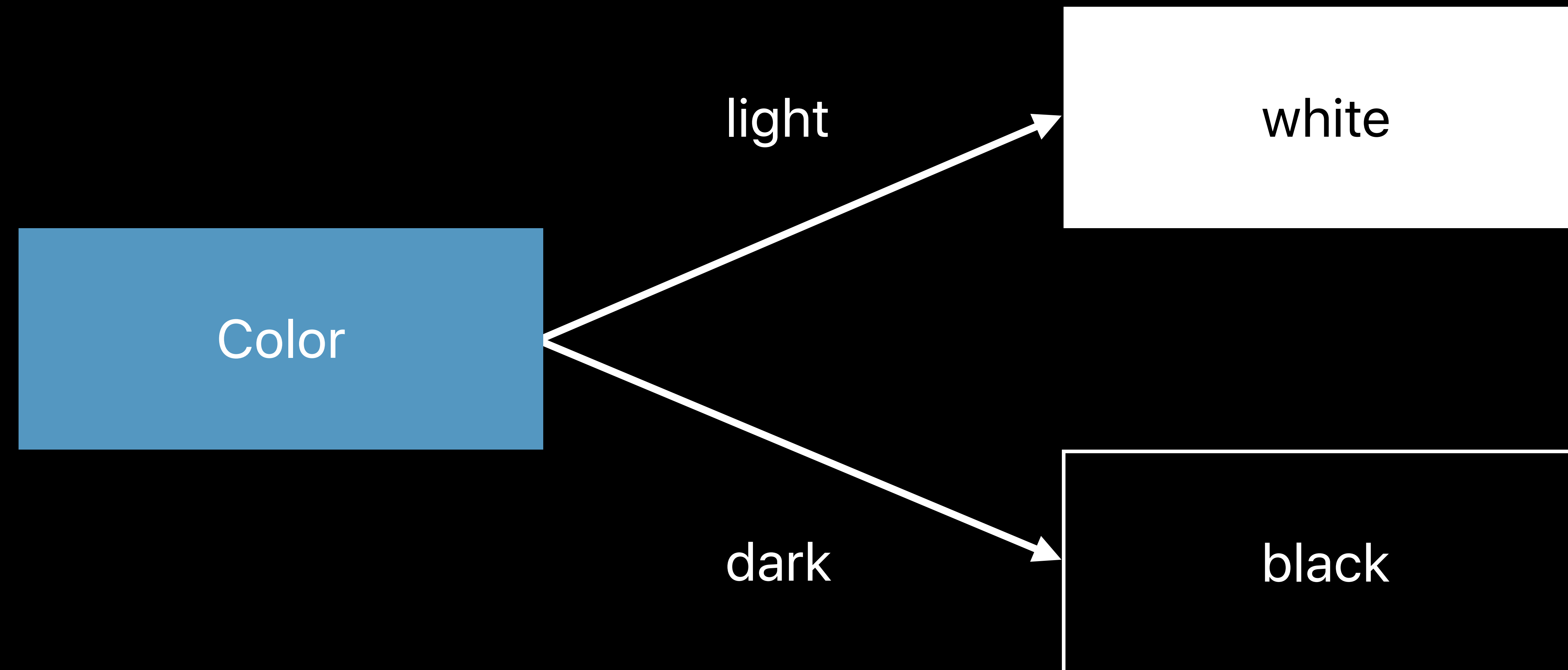
You decide your app's appearance

Use Dynamic Colors



Use Dynamic Colors

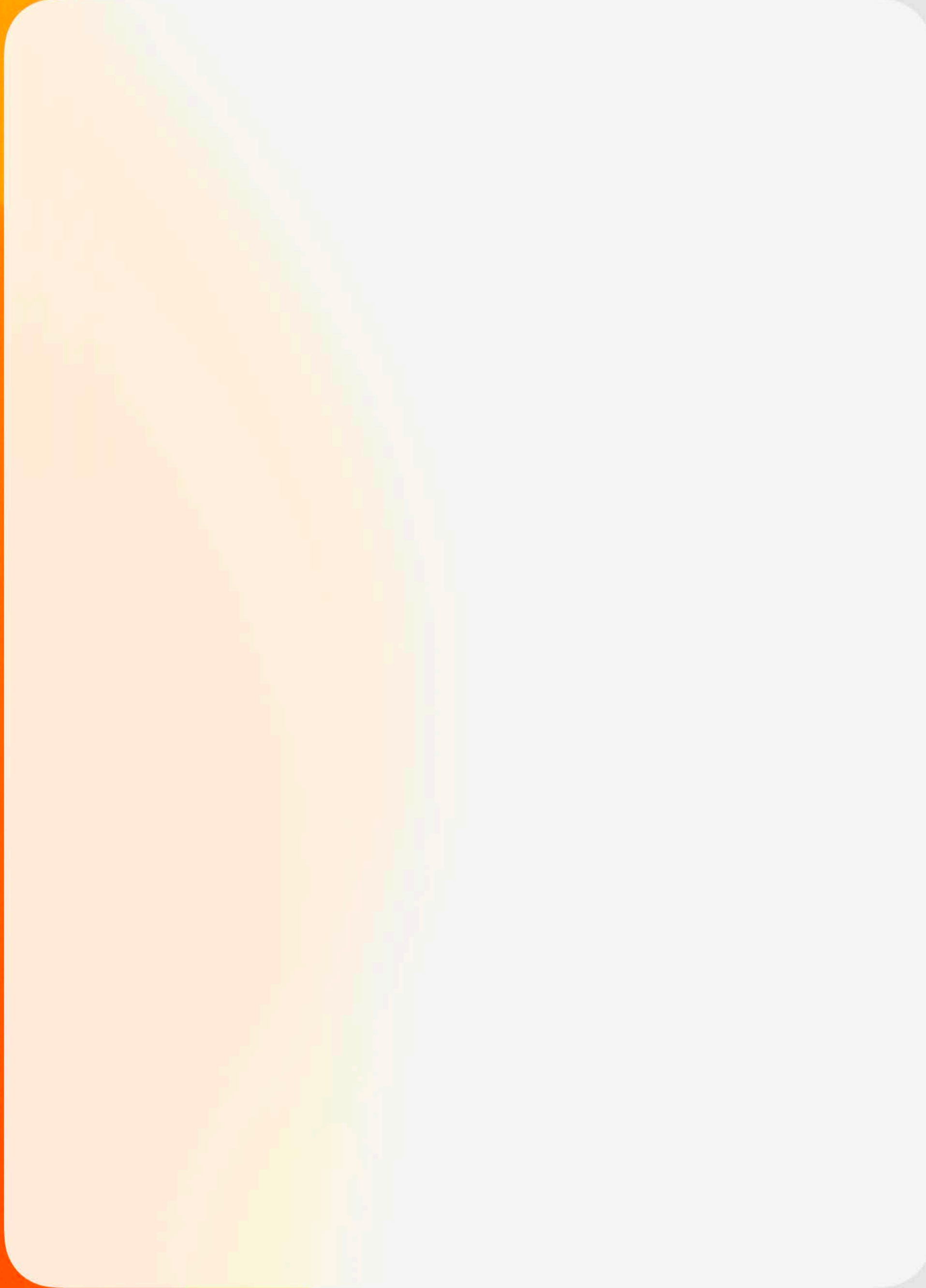
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Demo

Materials

Thick



Regular



Thin



Ultrathin

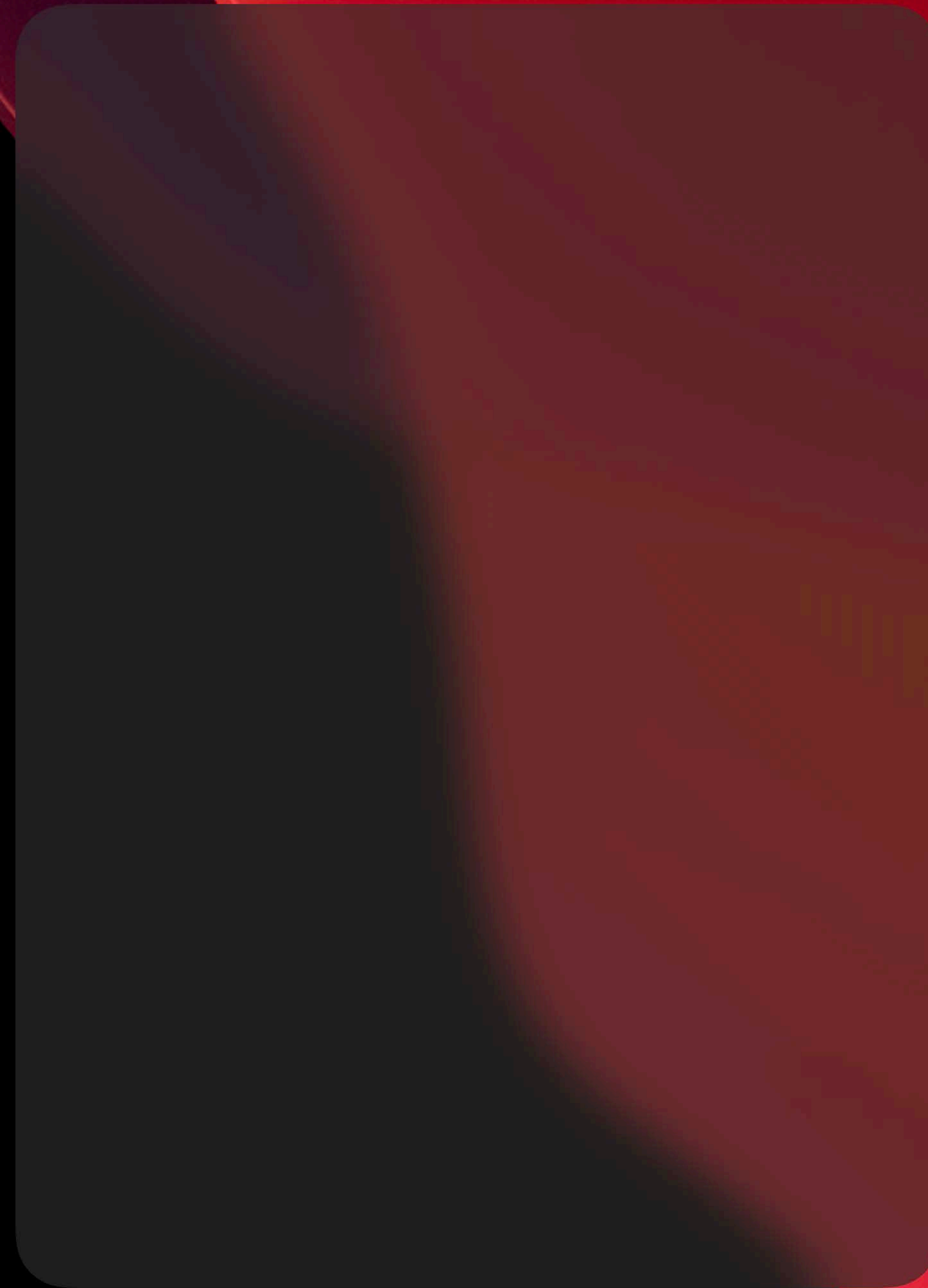


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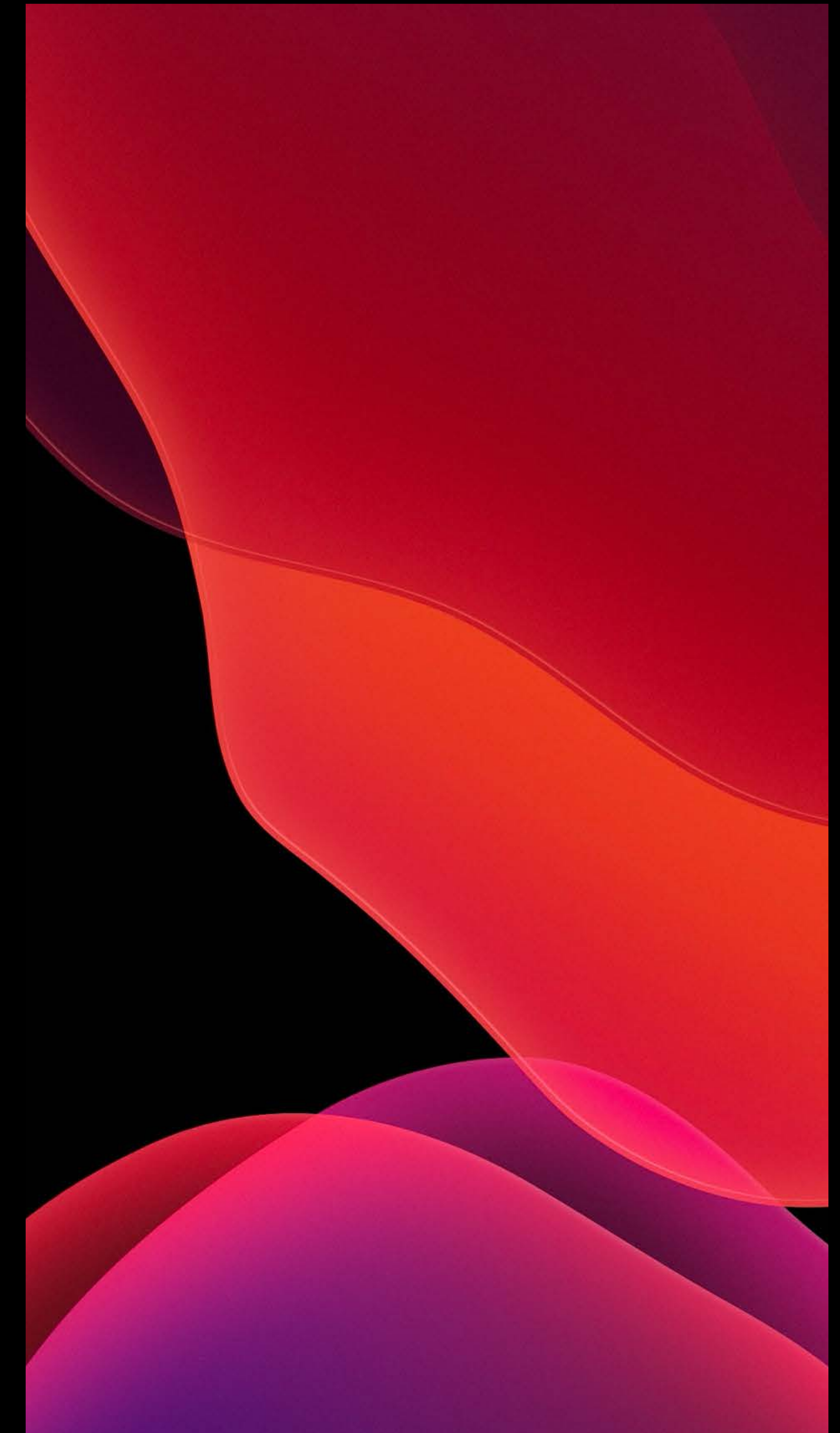


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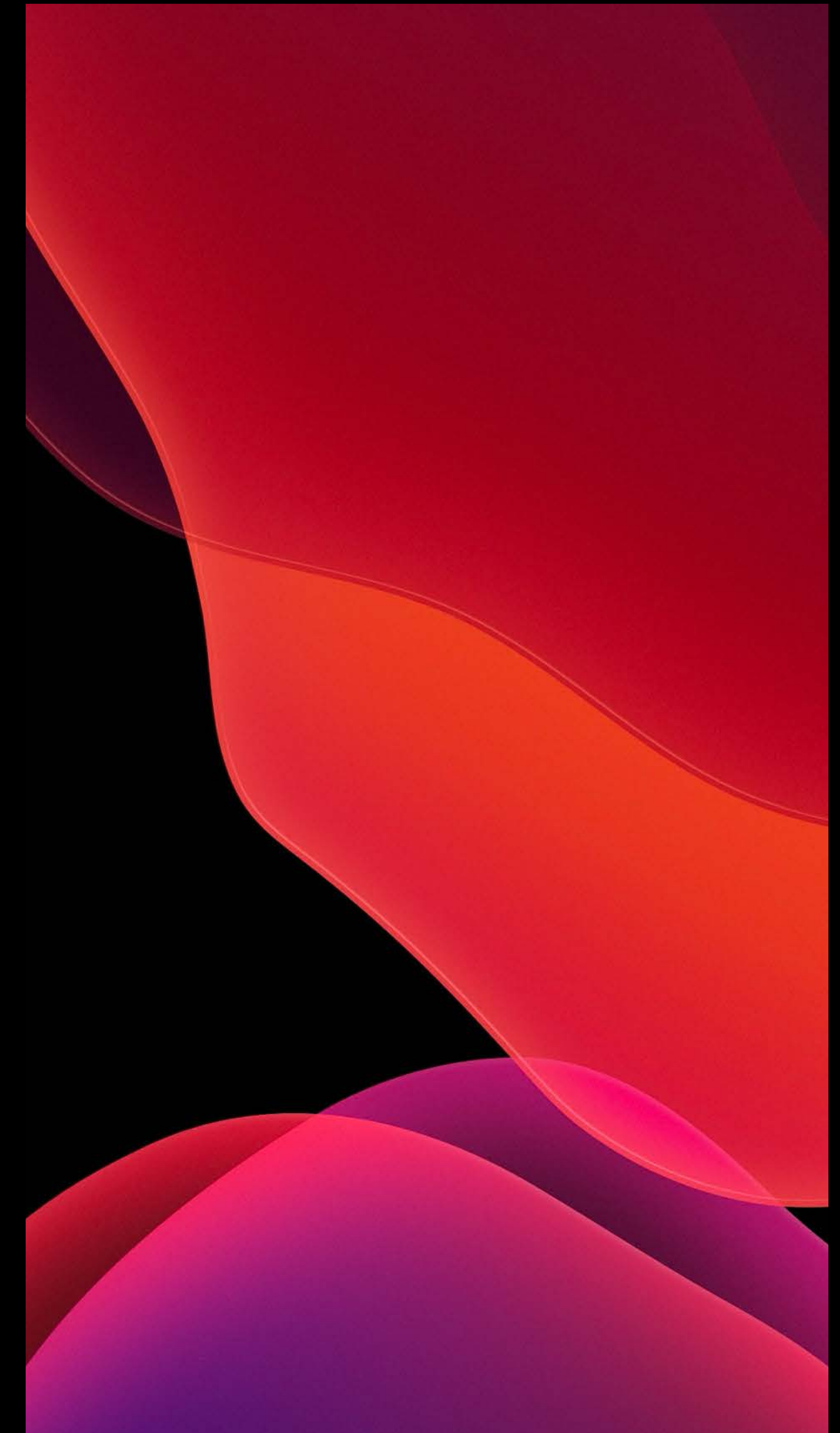



```
UIBlurEffect  
style = .systemMaterial
```



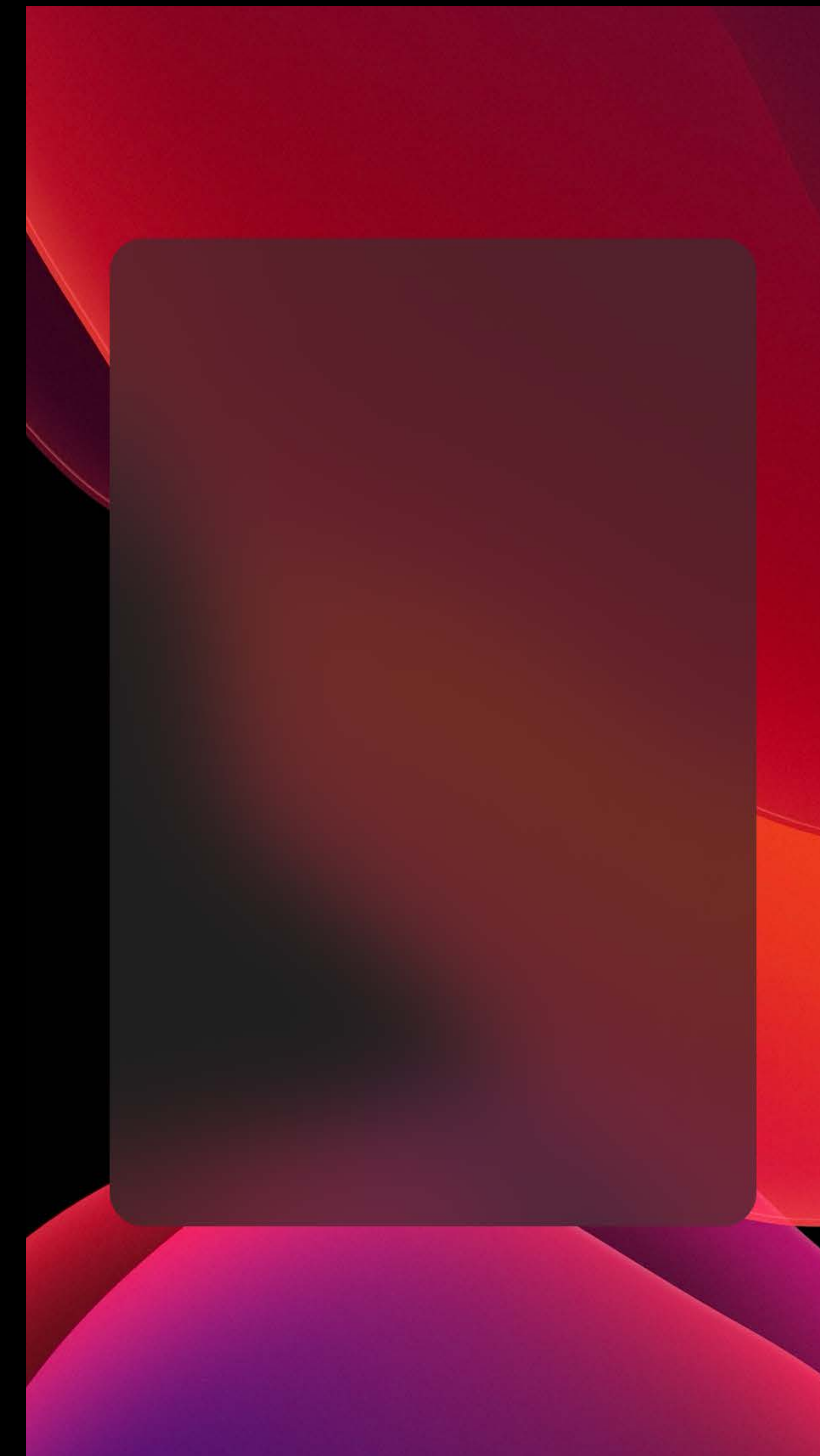
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UIVisualEffectView



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UIVisualEffectView



Labels



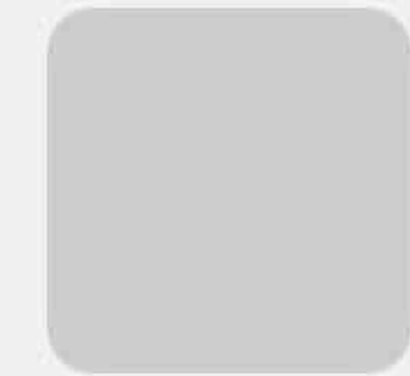
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Vibrant Secondary Text



Vibrant Tertiary Text

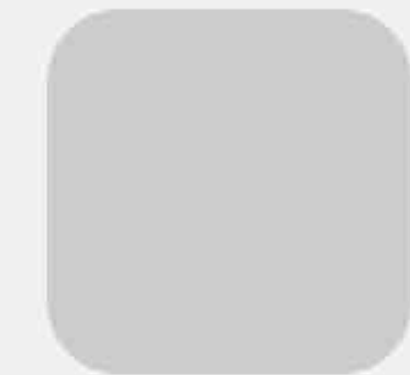


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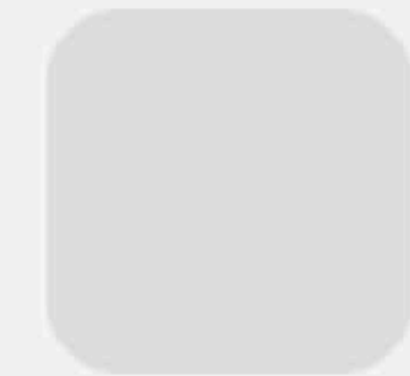
Fills



Vibrant Primary Fill



Vibrant Secondary Fill



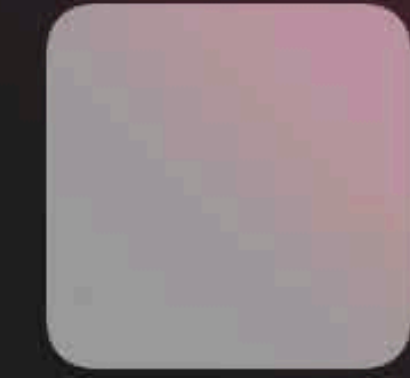
Vibrant Tertiary Fill

Separator

Labels



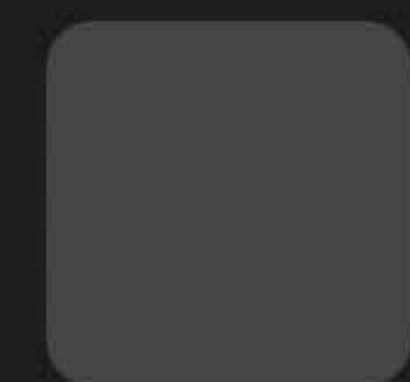
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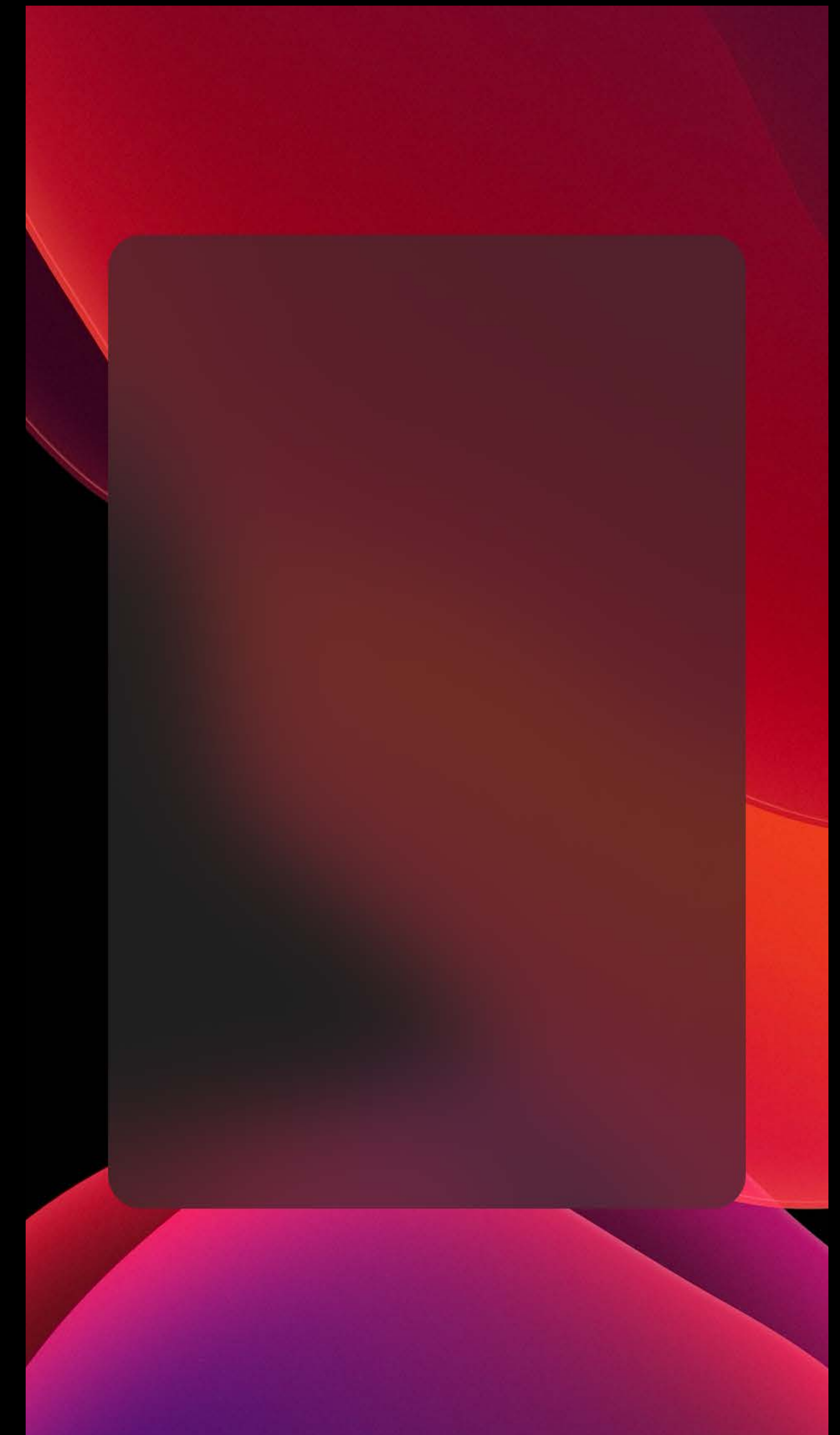


Vibrant Tertiary Fill

Separator

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UIVibrancyEffect
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UIVisualEffectView



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UIVisualEffectView



UIBlurEffect
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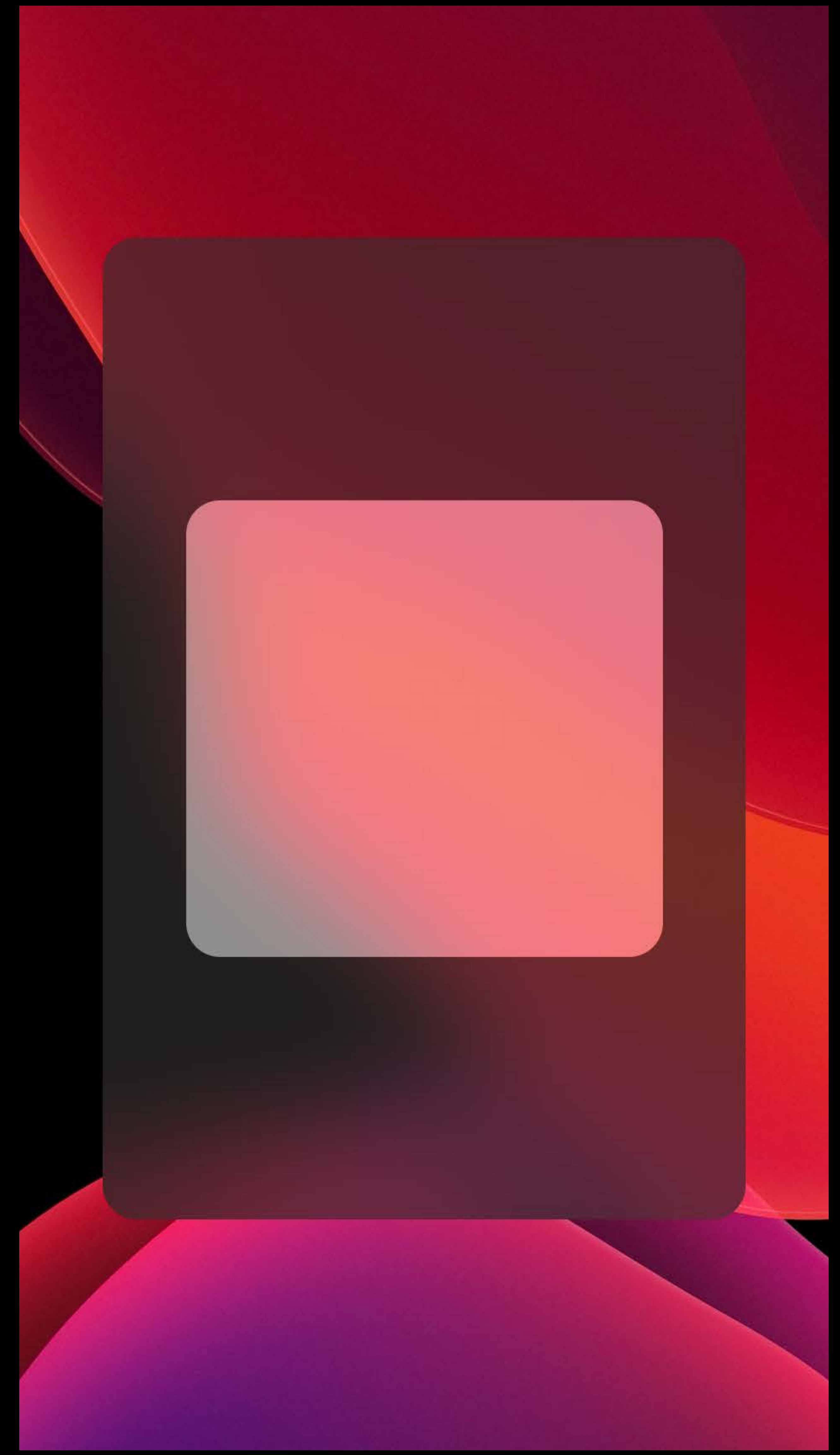
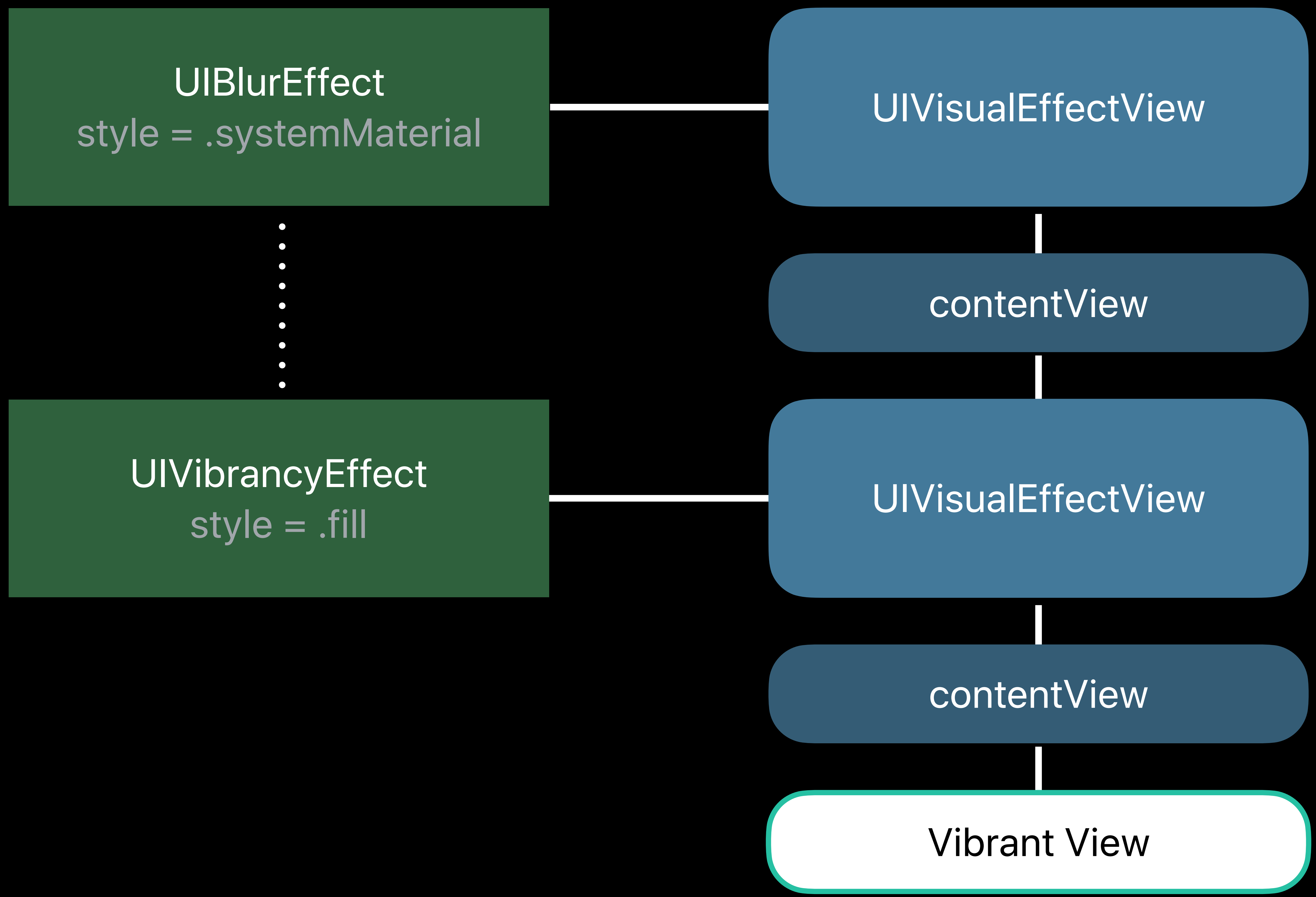
UIVisualEffectView

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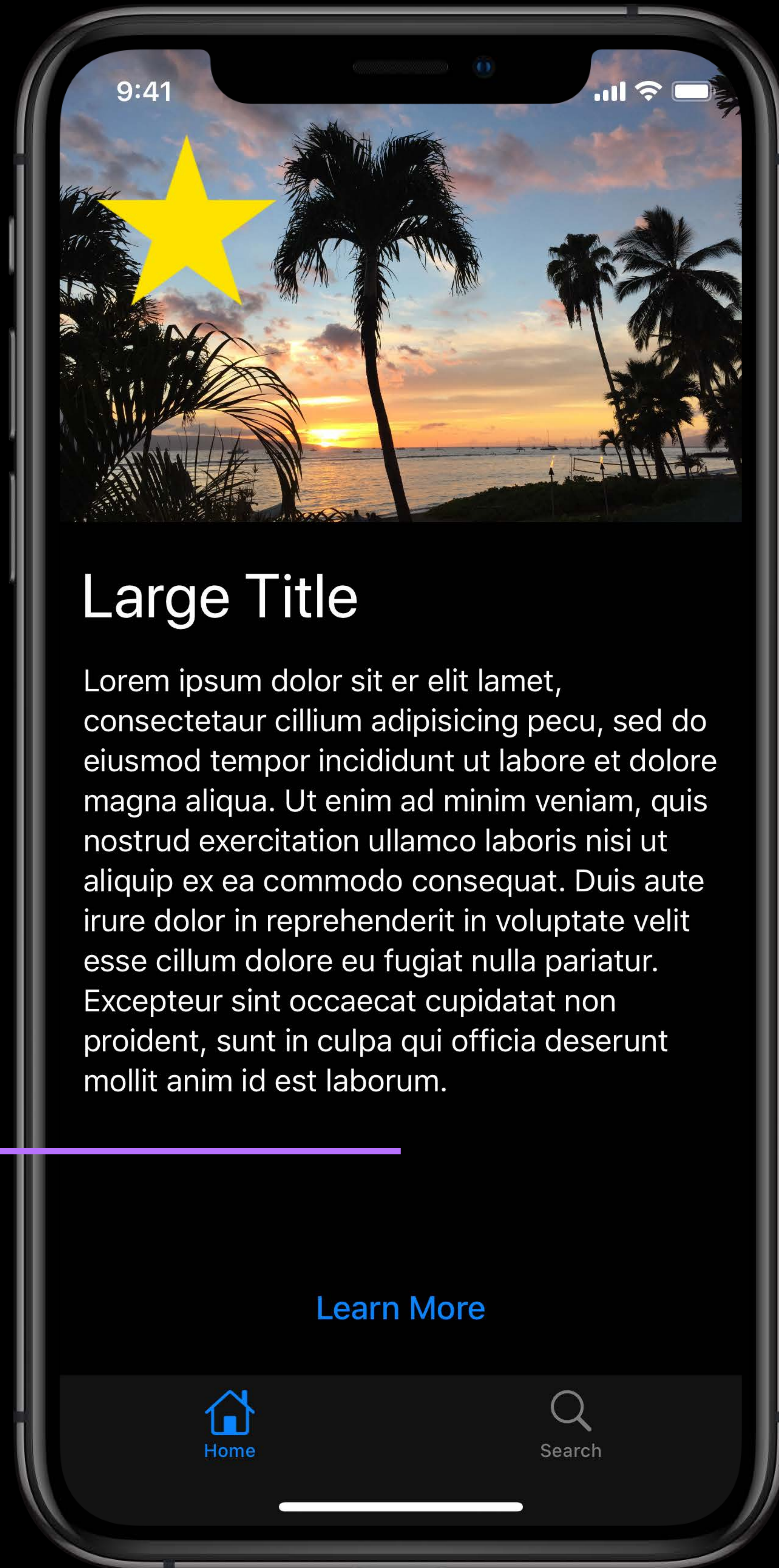
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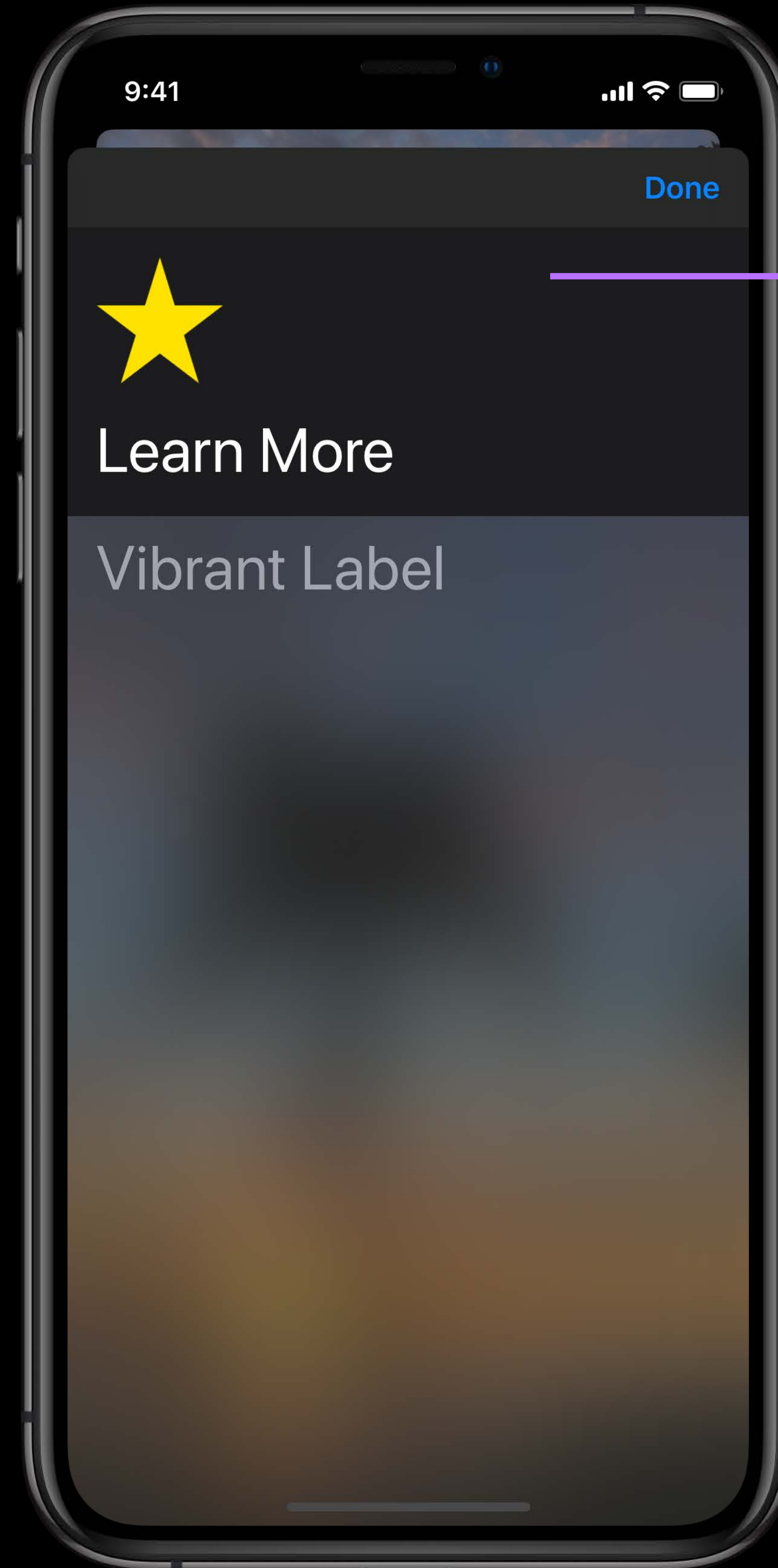




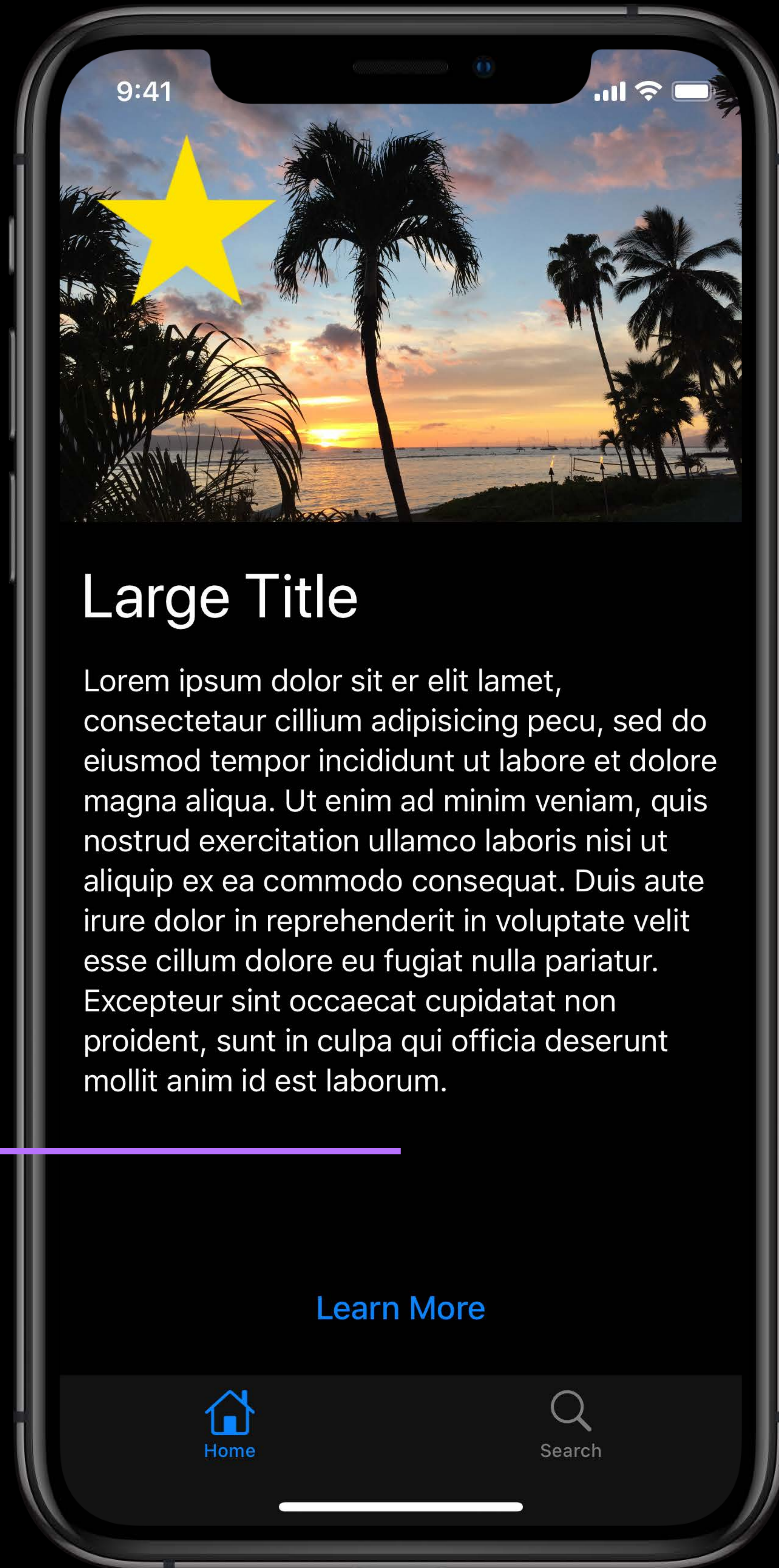
Demo



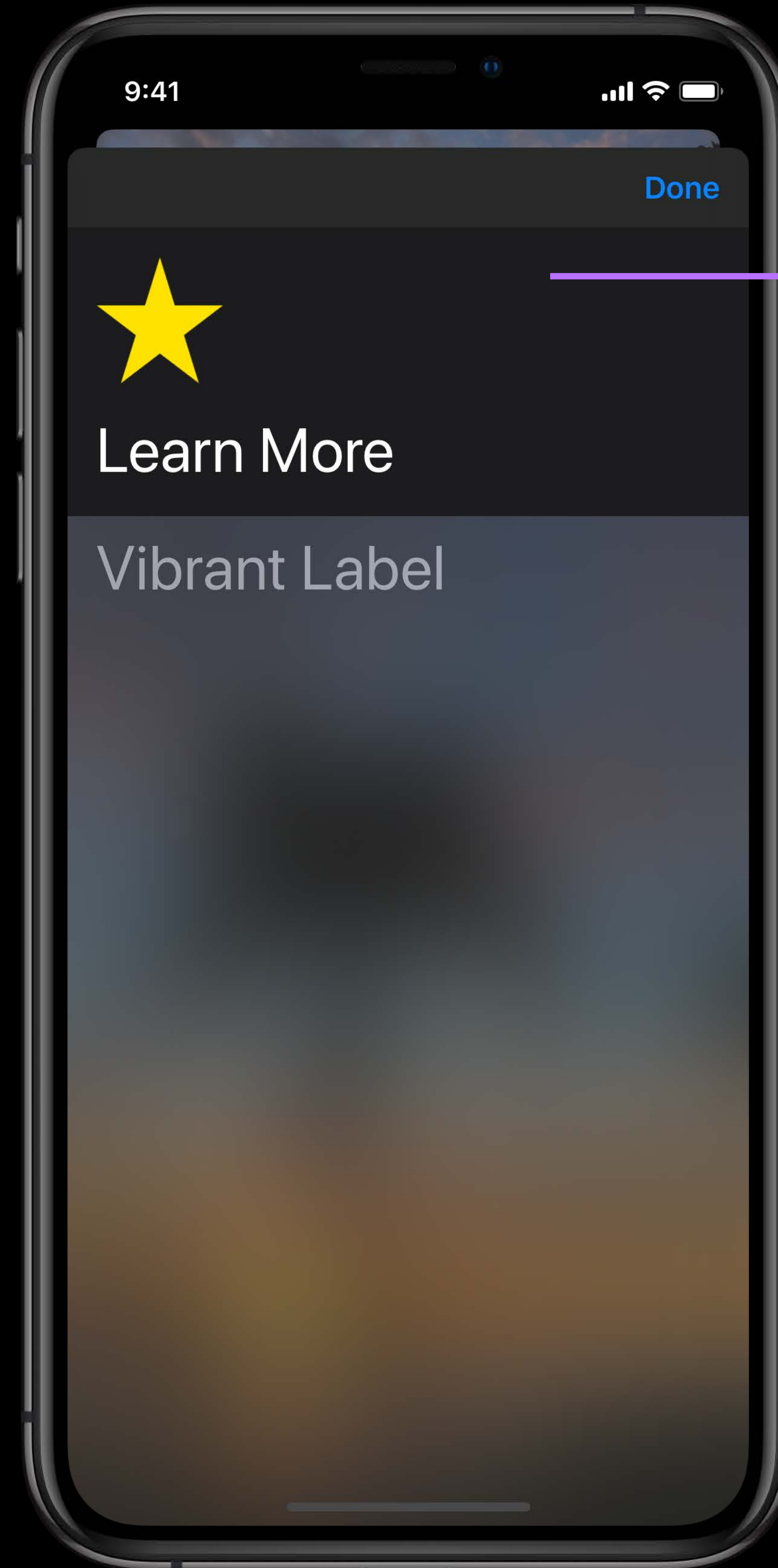
systemBackground



systemBackground



base level



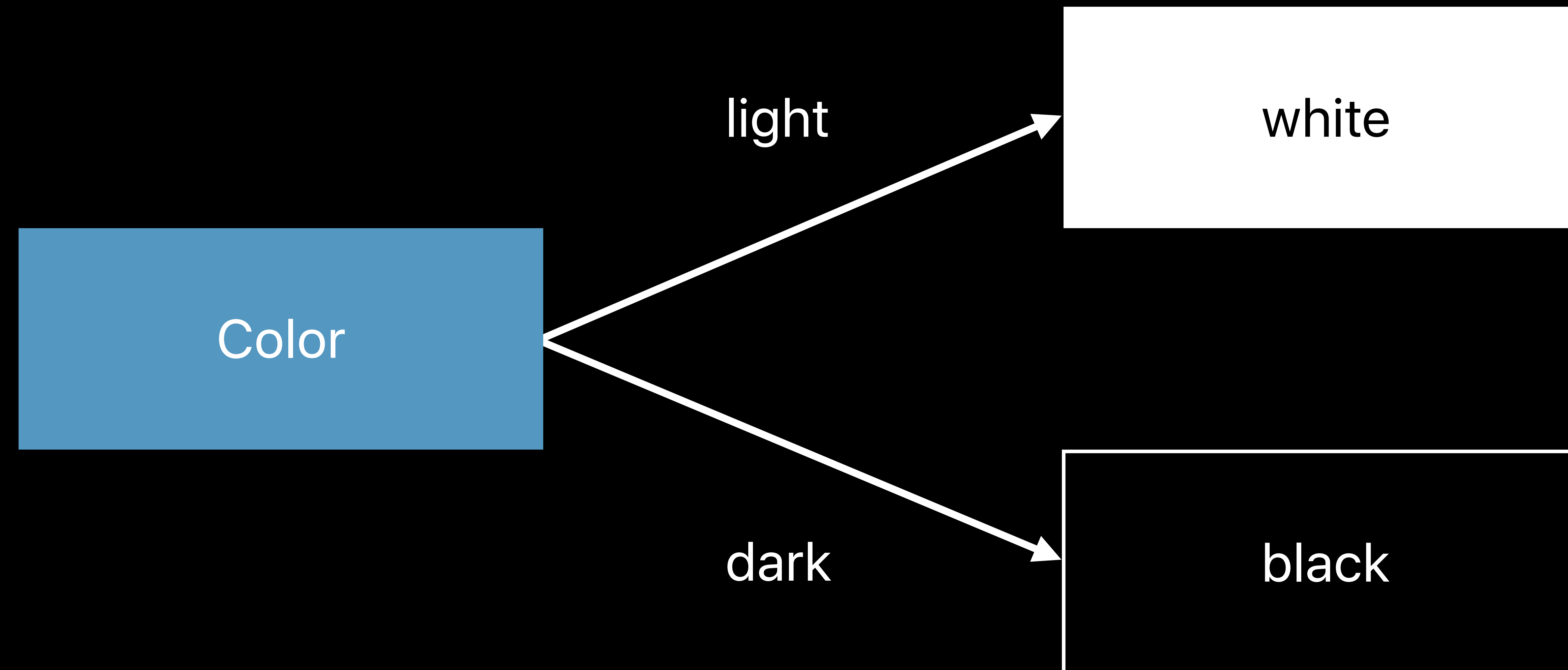
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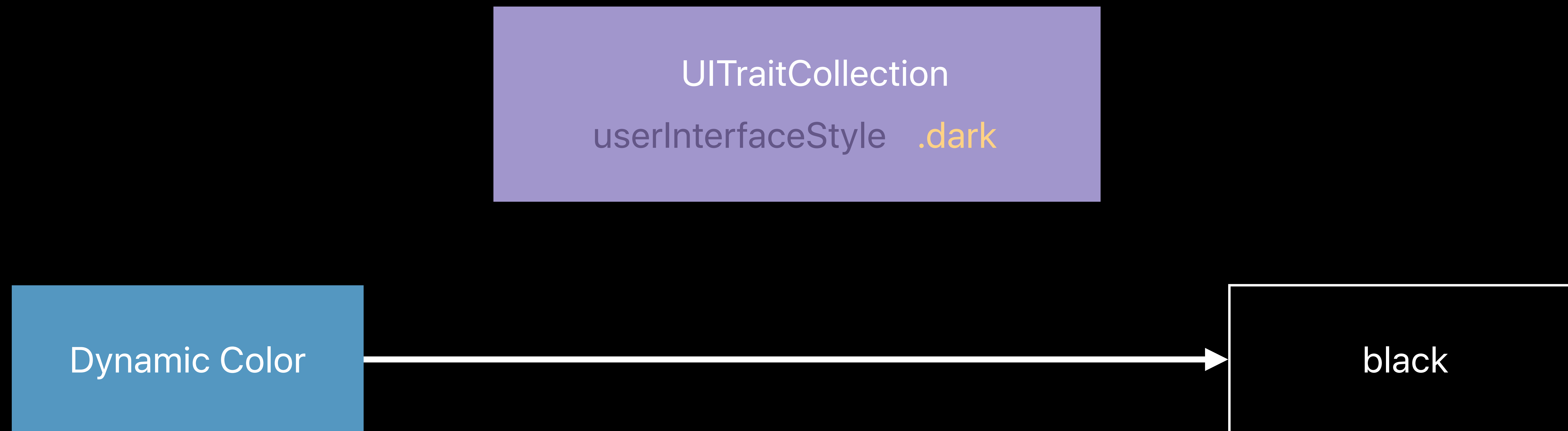
UITraitCollection

userInterfaceIdiom **.phone**

userInterfaceStyle **.dark**

userInterfaceLevel **.base**

Resolving Dynamic Colors



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Custom Dynamic Colors

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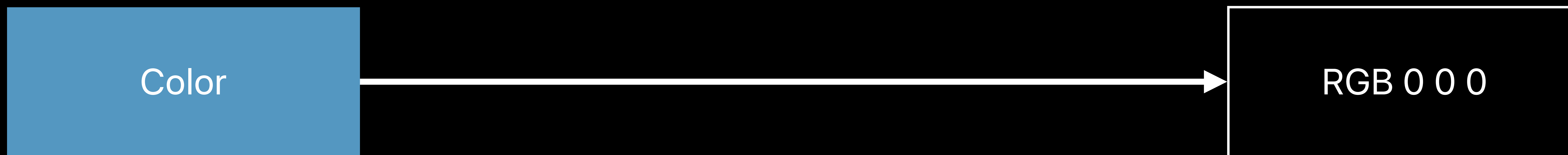
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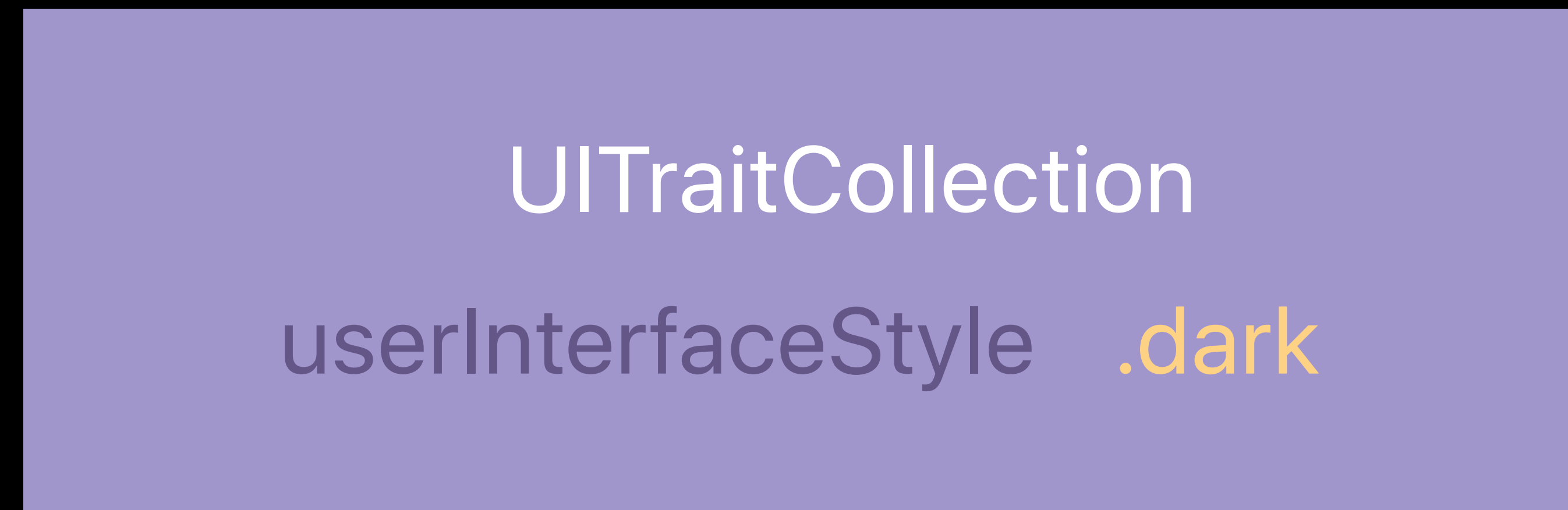

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UITraitCollection.current



Current Trait Collection

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class BackgroundView: UIView {  
    override func draw(_ rect: CGRect) {  
  
        UIColor.systemBackground.setFill()  
        UIRectFill(rect)  
    }  
}
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Current Trait Collection

UIView

UIViewController

UIPresentationController

```
draw()
```


Current Trait Collection

UIView

`draw()`

`layoutSubviews()`

UIViewController

`viewWillLayoutSubviews()`

`viewDidLayoutSubviews()`

UIPresentationController

`containerViewWillLayoutSubviews()`

`containerViewDidLayoutSubviews()`

Current Trait Collection

UIView

`draw()`

`layoutSubviews()`

`traitCollectionDidChange()`

`tintColorDidChange()`

UIViewController

`viewWillLayoutSubviews()`

`viewDidLayoutSubviews()`

`traitCollectionDidChange()`

UIPresentationController

`containerViewWillLayoutSubviews()`

`containerViewDidLayoutSubviews()`

`traitCollectionDidChange()`


```
let layer = CALayer()
```

```
layer.borderColor = UIColor.label.cgColor
```



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```
let layer = CALayer()
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// Option 1

let resolvedColor = UIColor.label.resolvedColor(with: traitCollection)
layer.borderColor = resolvedColor.cgColor
```

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```

```
// Option 1
```

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// Option 2

traitCollection.performAsCurrent {
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// Option 3

UITraitCollection.current = traitCollection
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```

```
// Option 3
```

```
UITraitCollection.current = traitCollection
layer.borderColor = UIColor.label.cgColor
```



```
let layer = CALayer()
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// Option 3

let savedTraitCollection = UITraitCollection.current

UITraitCollection.current = traitCollection
layer.borderColor = UIColor.label.cgColor

UITraitCollection.current = savedTraitCollection
```

```
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```

```
// Option 3
```

```
let savedTraitCollection = UITraitCollection.current
```

```
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```

```
UITraitCollection.current = savedTraitCollection
```


When Dynamic Color Might Change

```
override func traitCollectionDidChange(_ previousTraitCollection: UITraitCollection?) {  
    super.traitCollectionDidChange(previousTraitCollection)  
  
}
```


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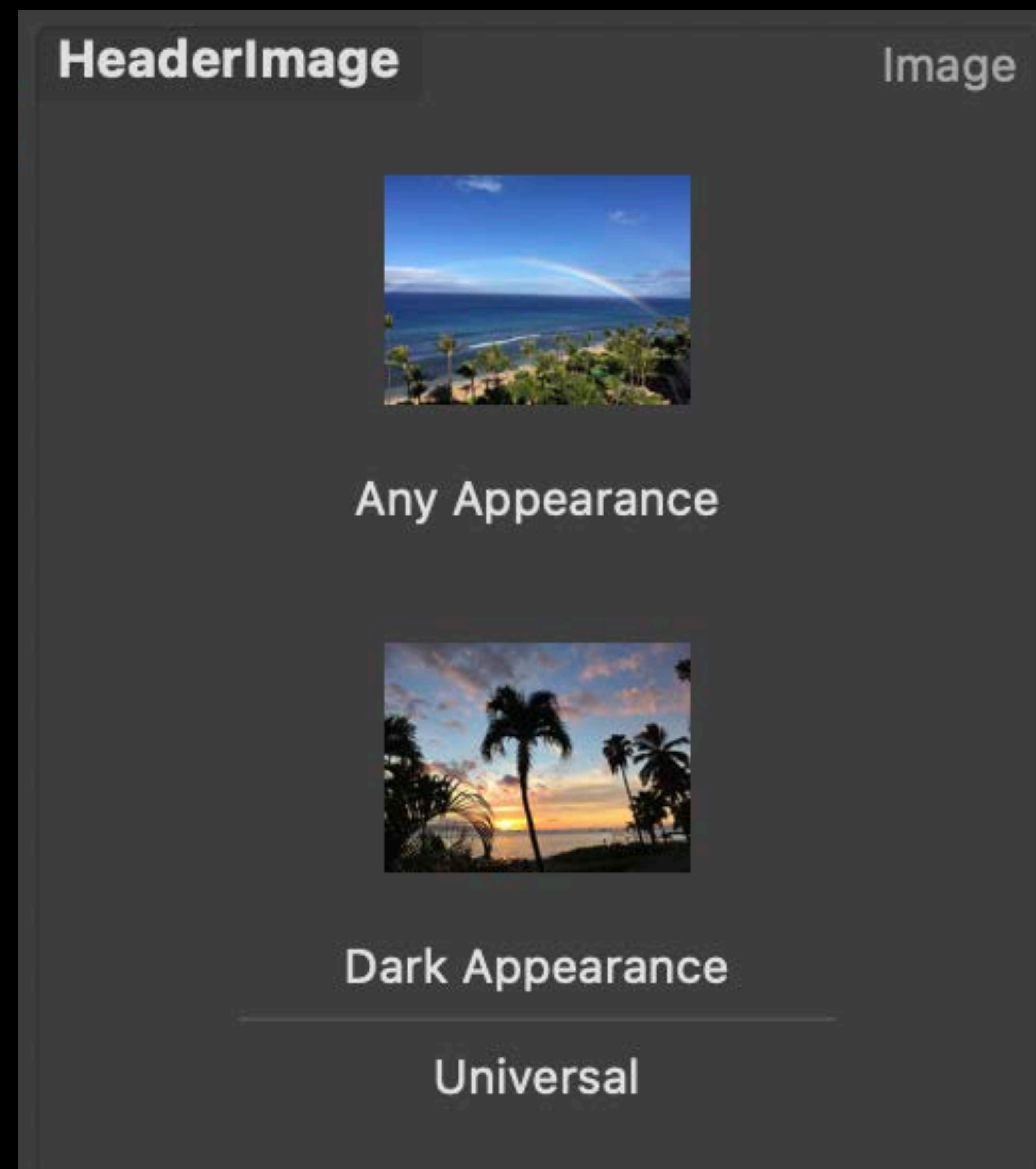
    if traitCollection.hasDifferentColorAppearance(comparedTo: previousTraitCollection) {
        // Resolve dynamic colors again
    }
}
```

When Dynamic Color Might Change

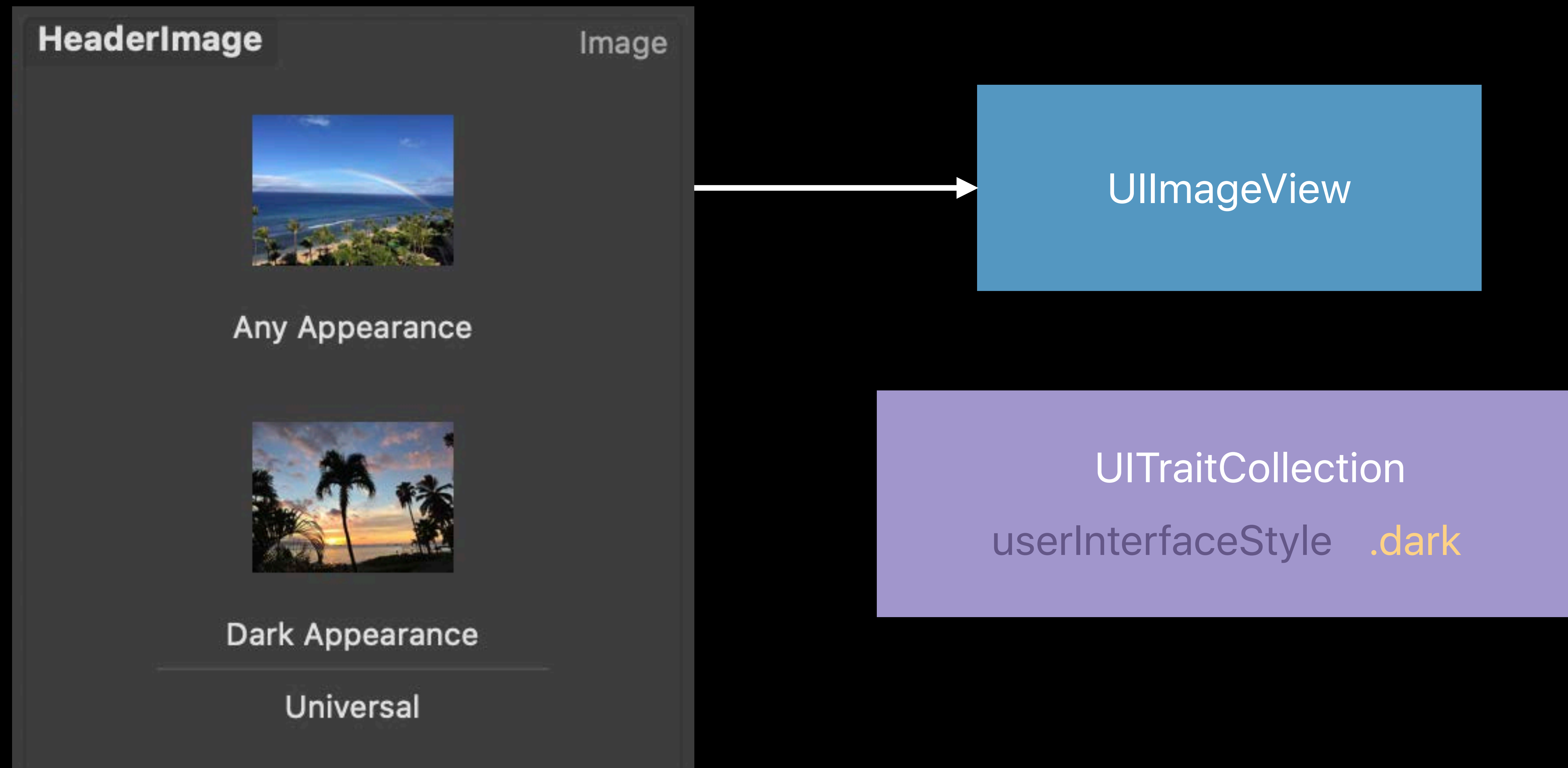
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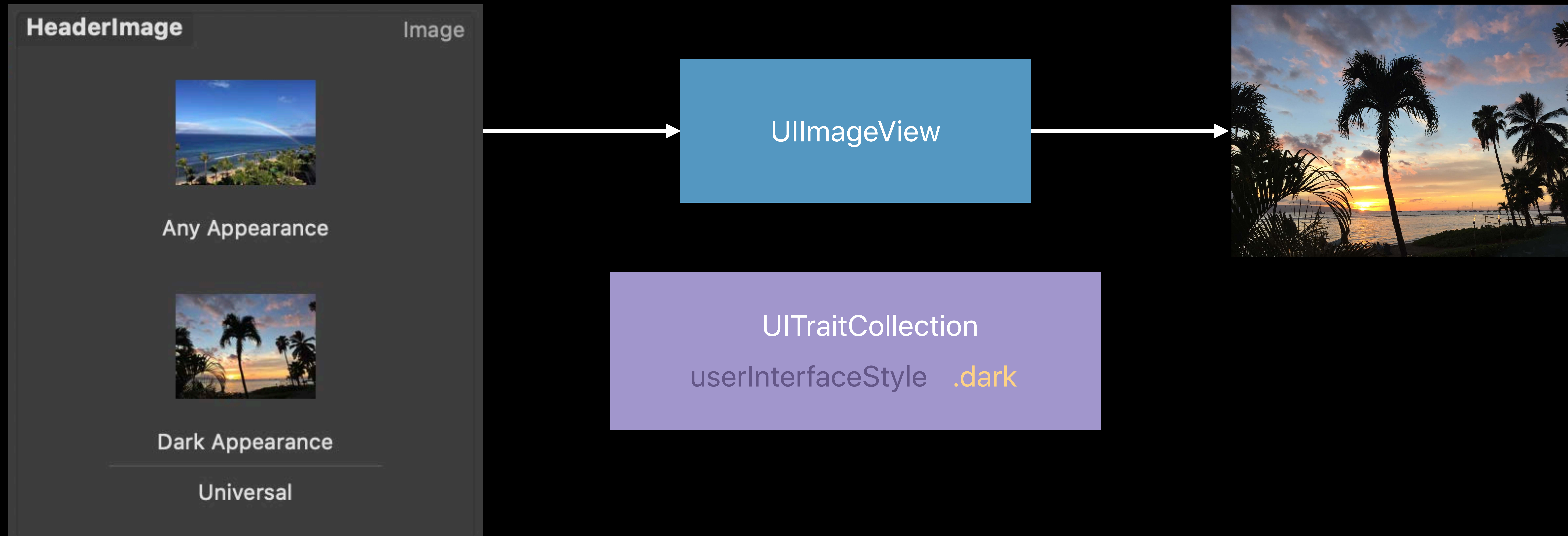

Dynamic Images



Dynamic Images



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Resolving Dynamic Images

```
let image = UIImage(named: "HeaderImage")
let asset = image?.imageAsset
let resolvedImage = asset?.image(with: traitCollection)
```


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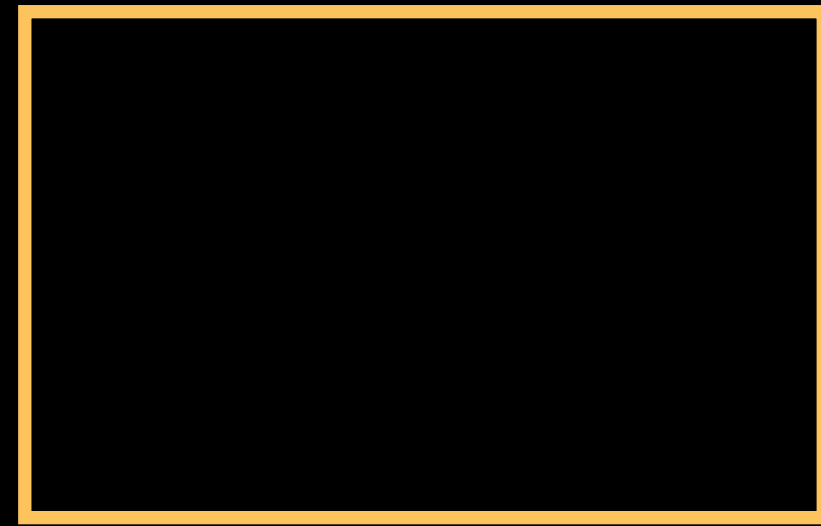
Trait Collections



UIScreen



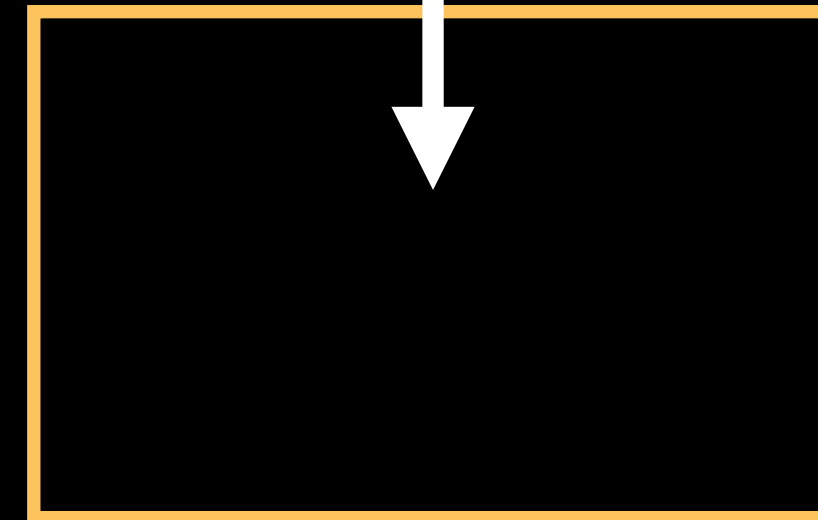
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UIWindowScene



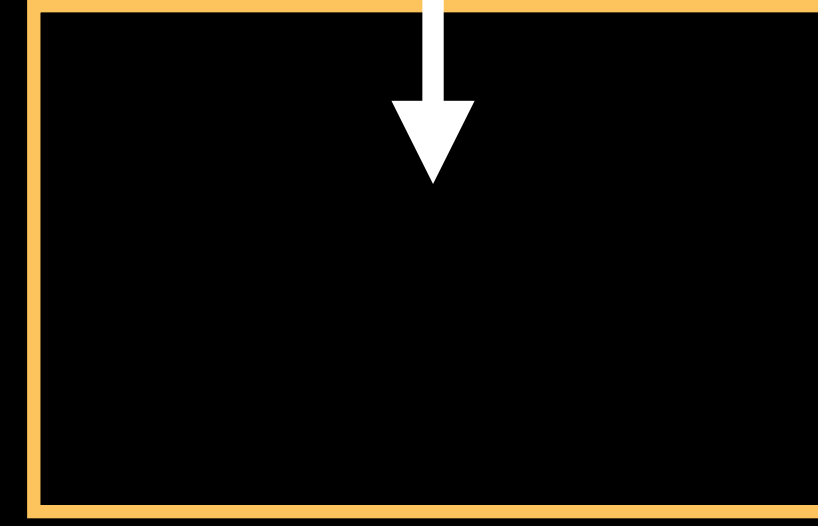
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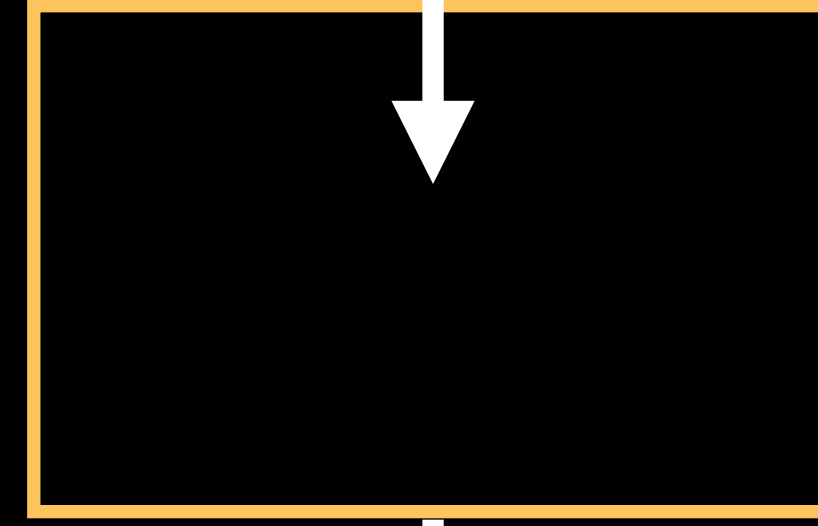
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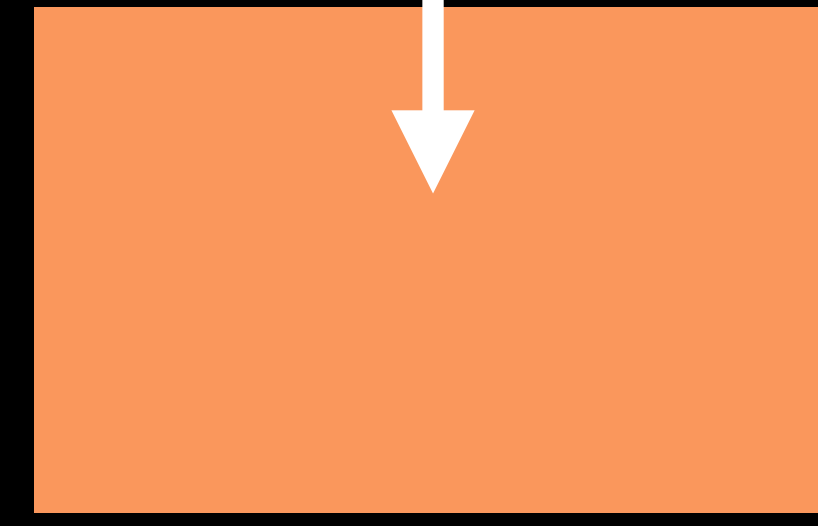
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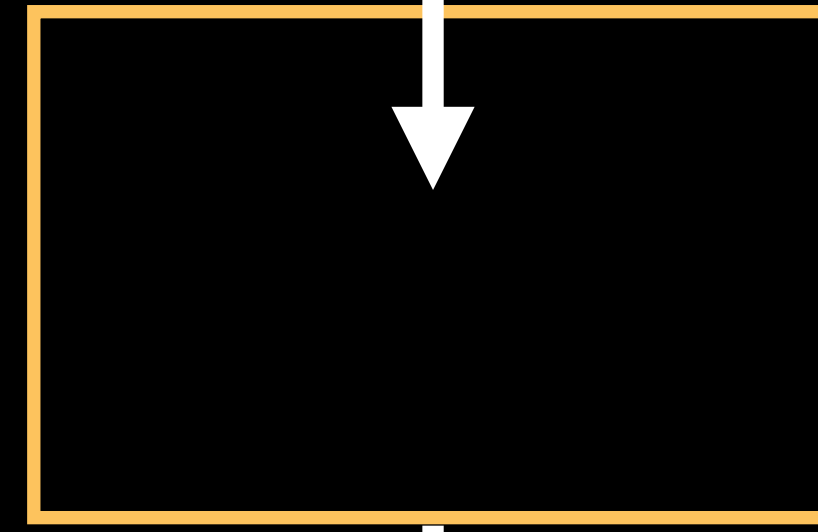
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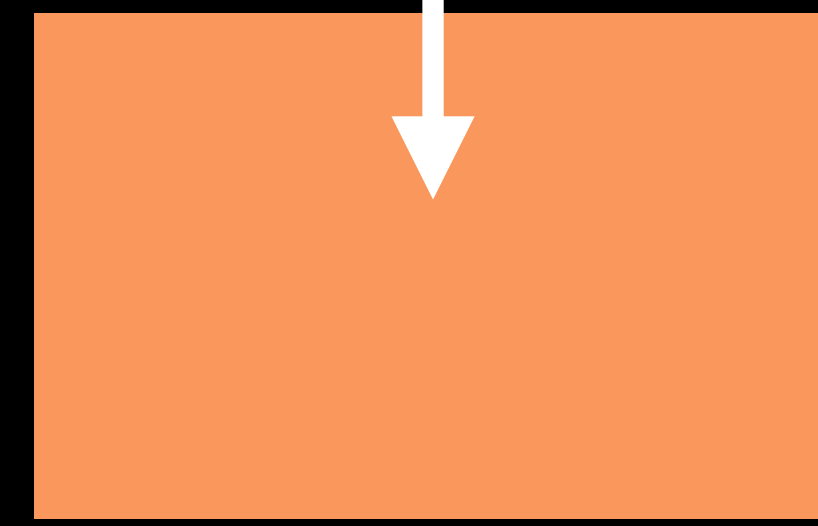
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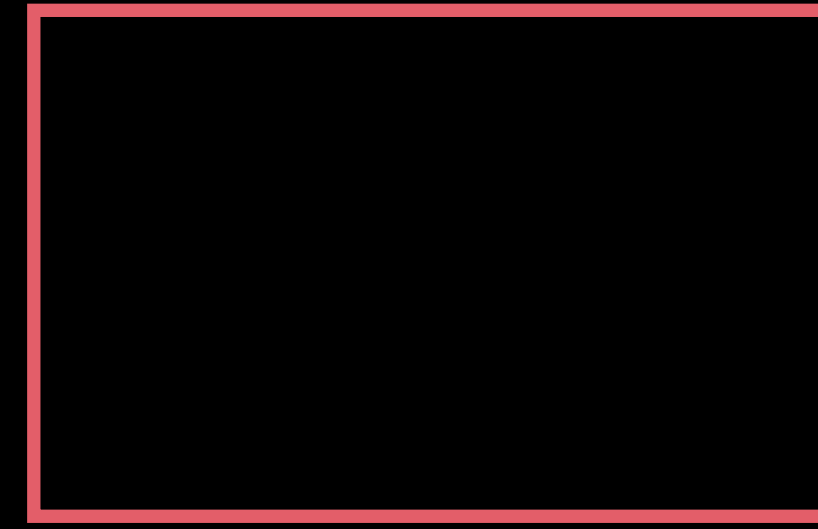
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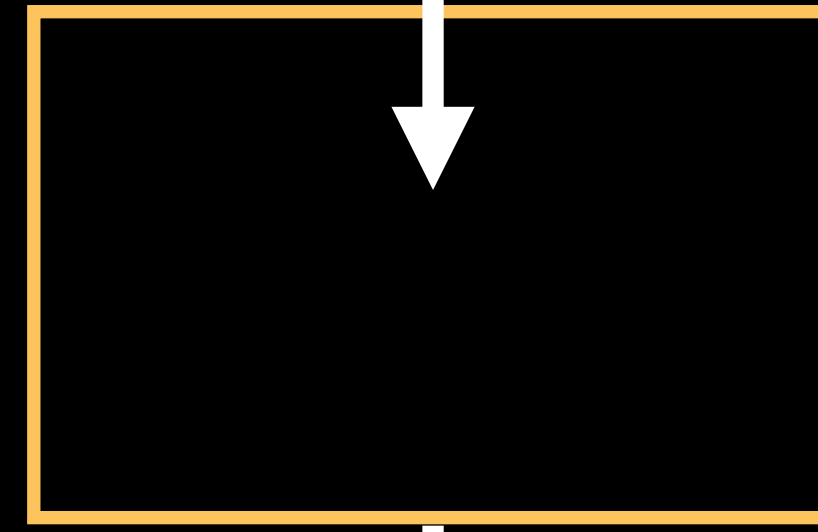
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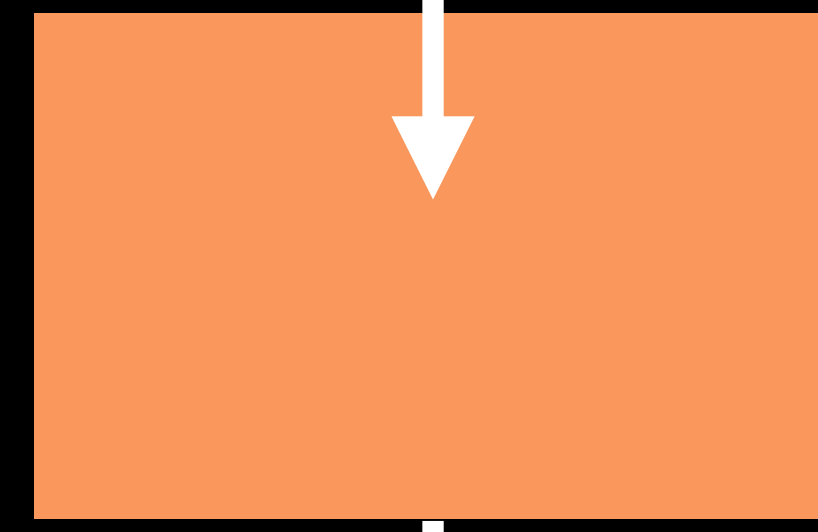
UIPresentationController



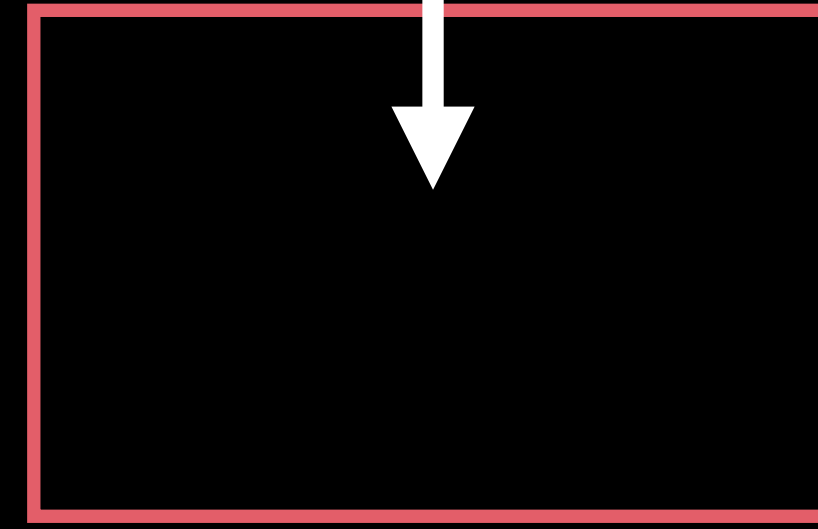
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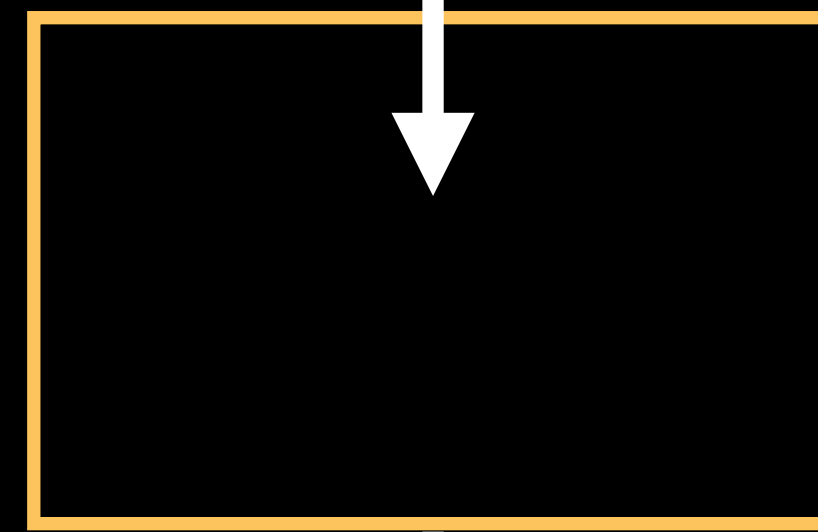


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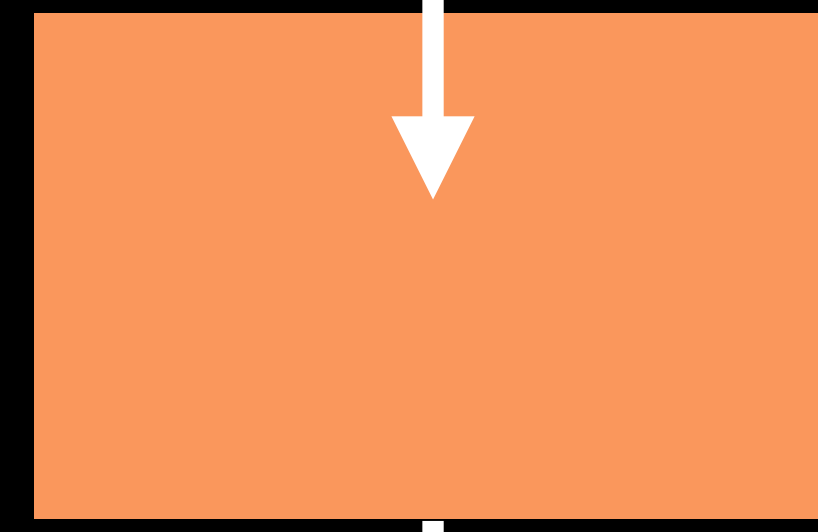




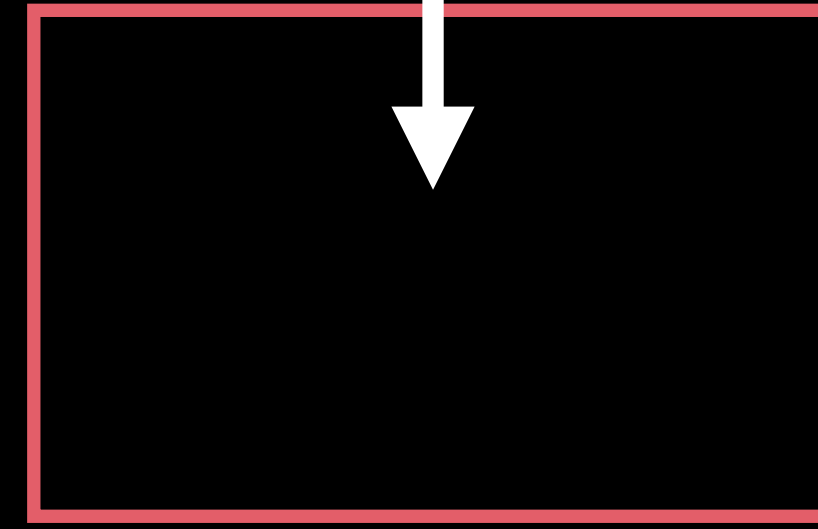
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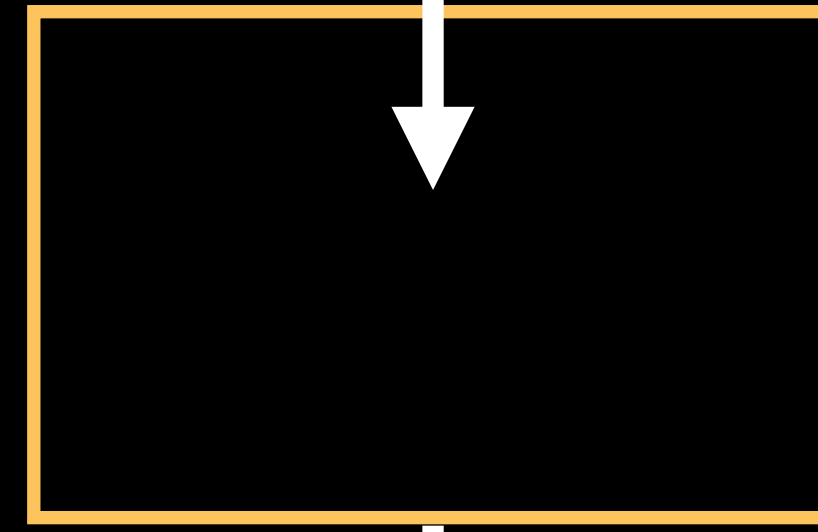


UIViewController

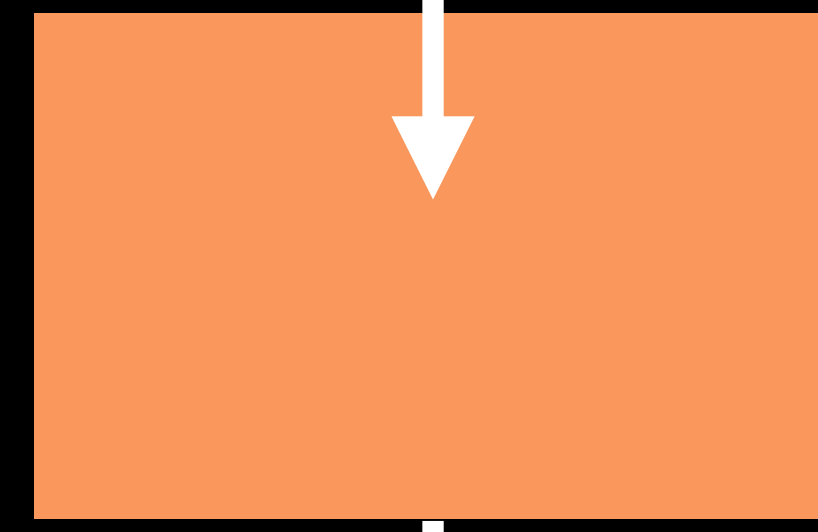




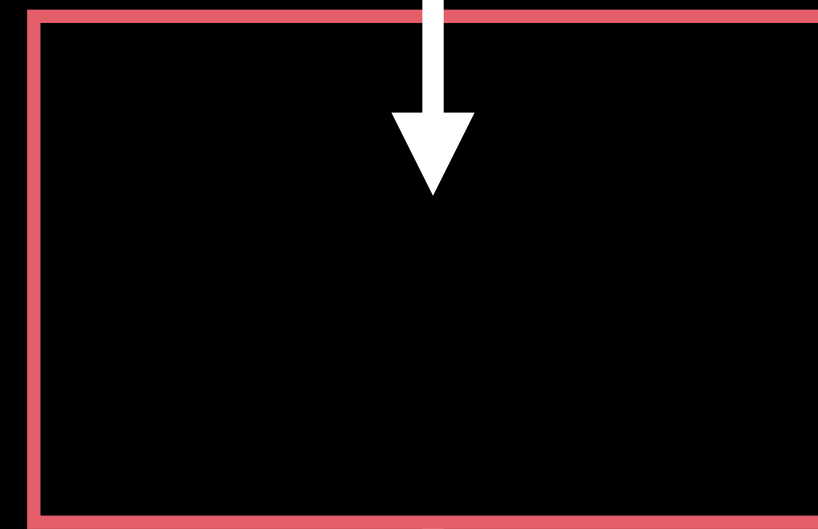
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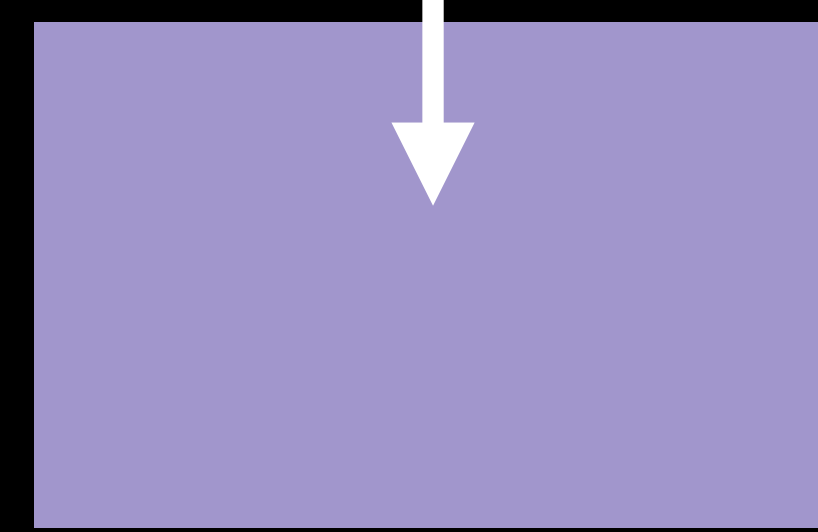
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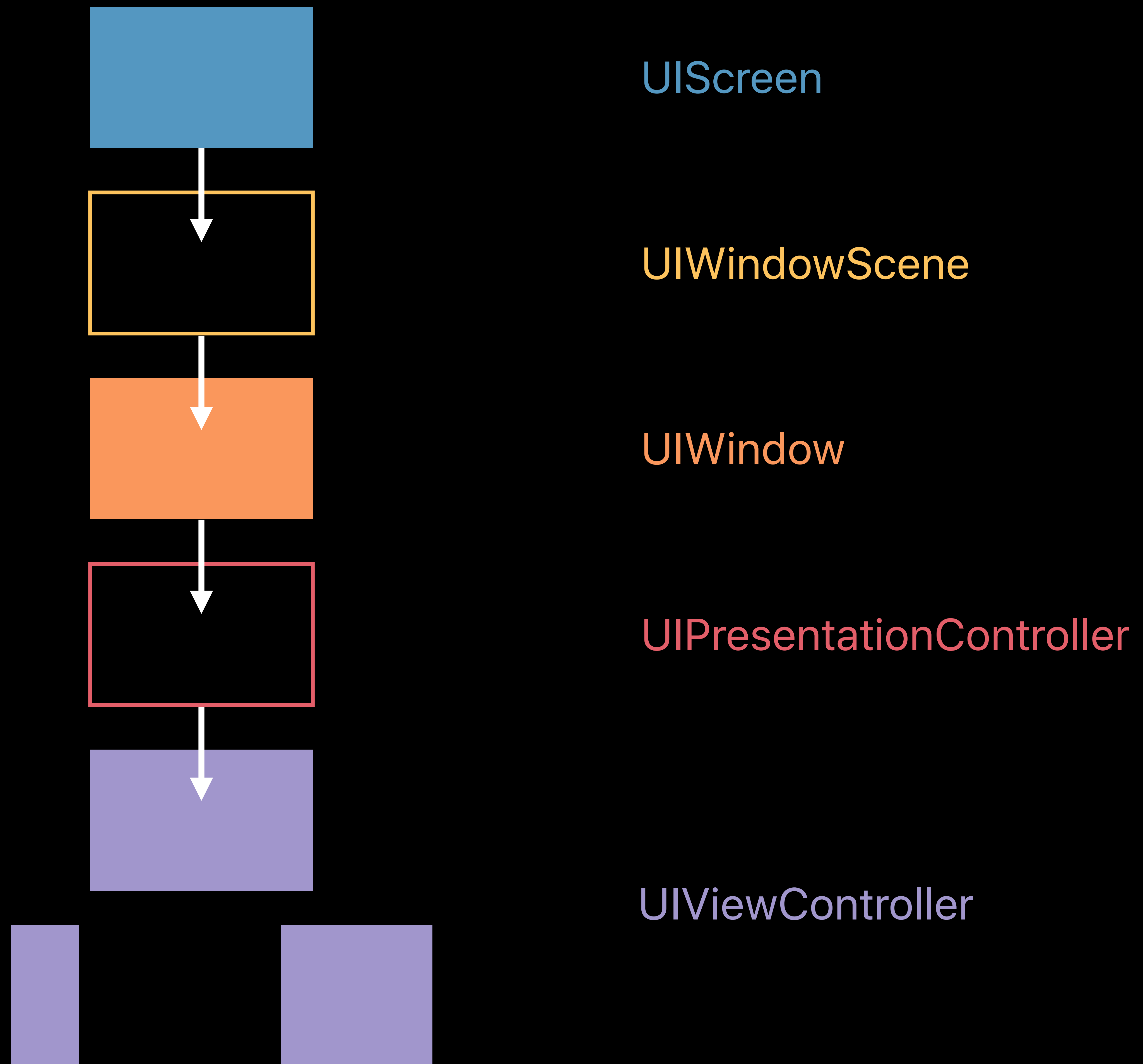


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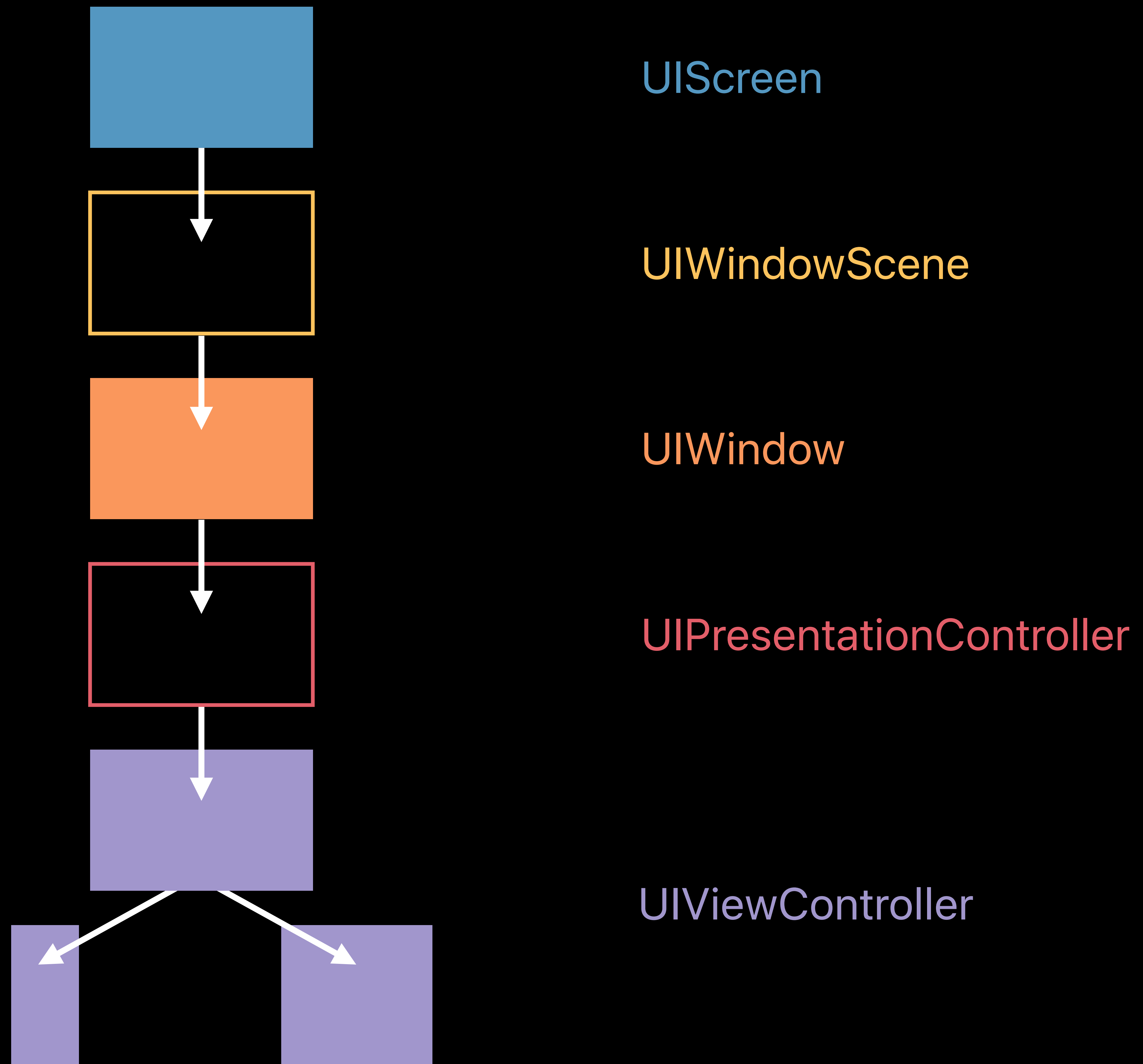
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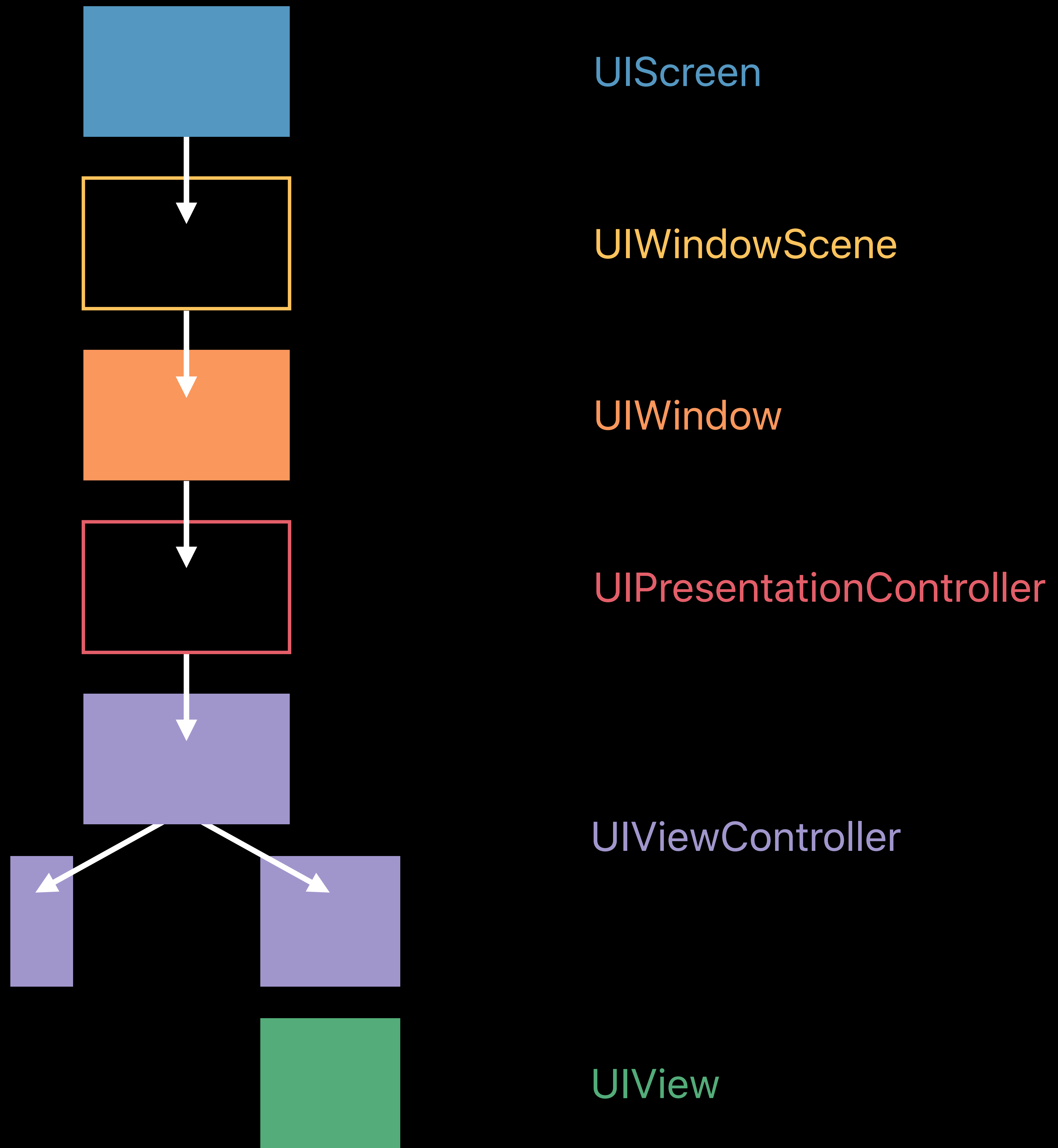
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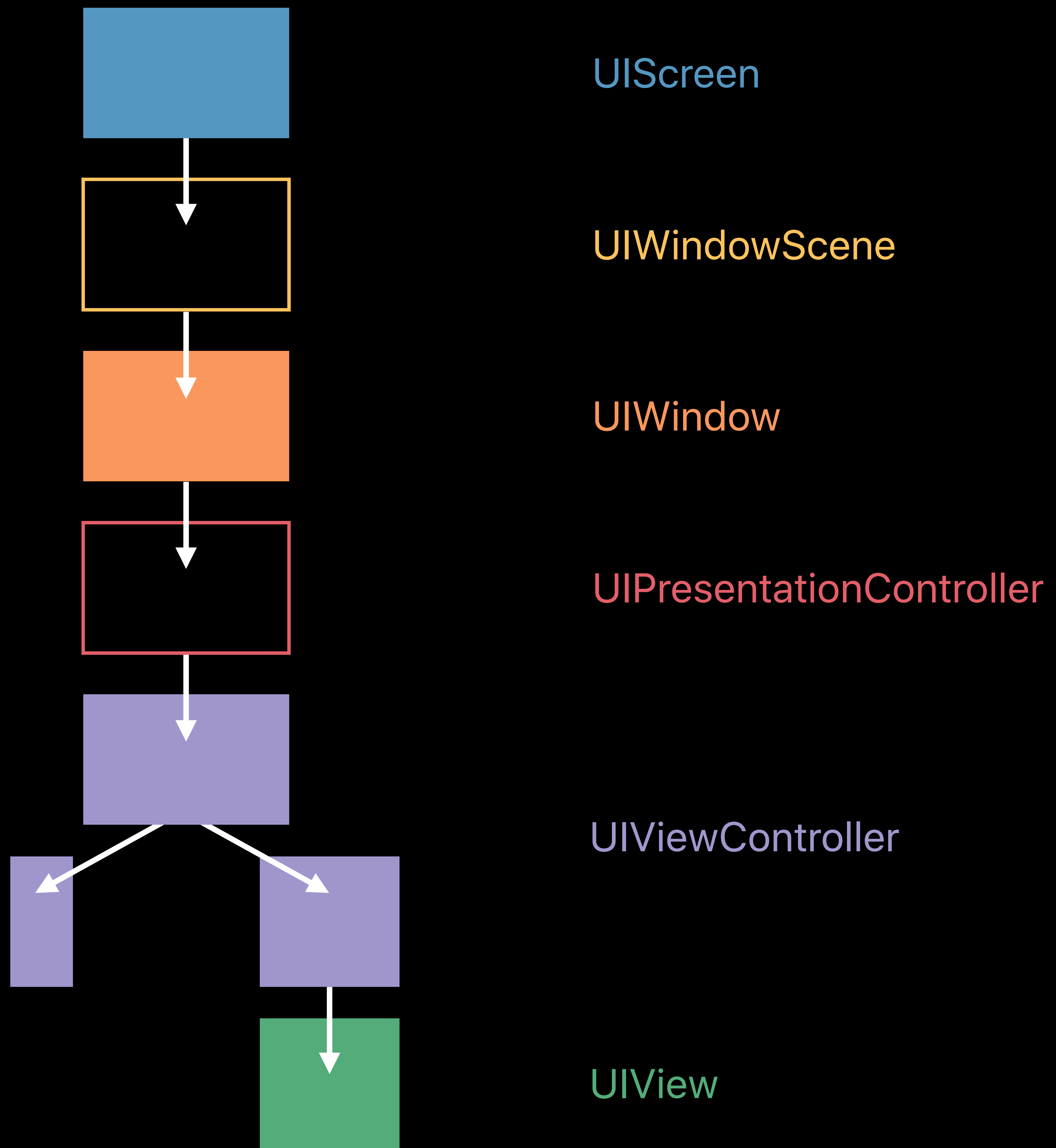
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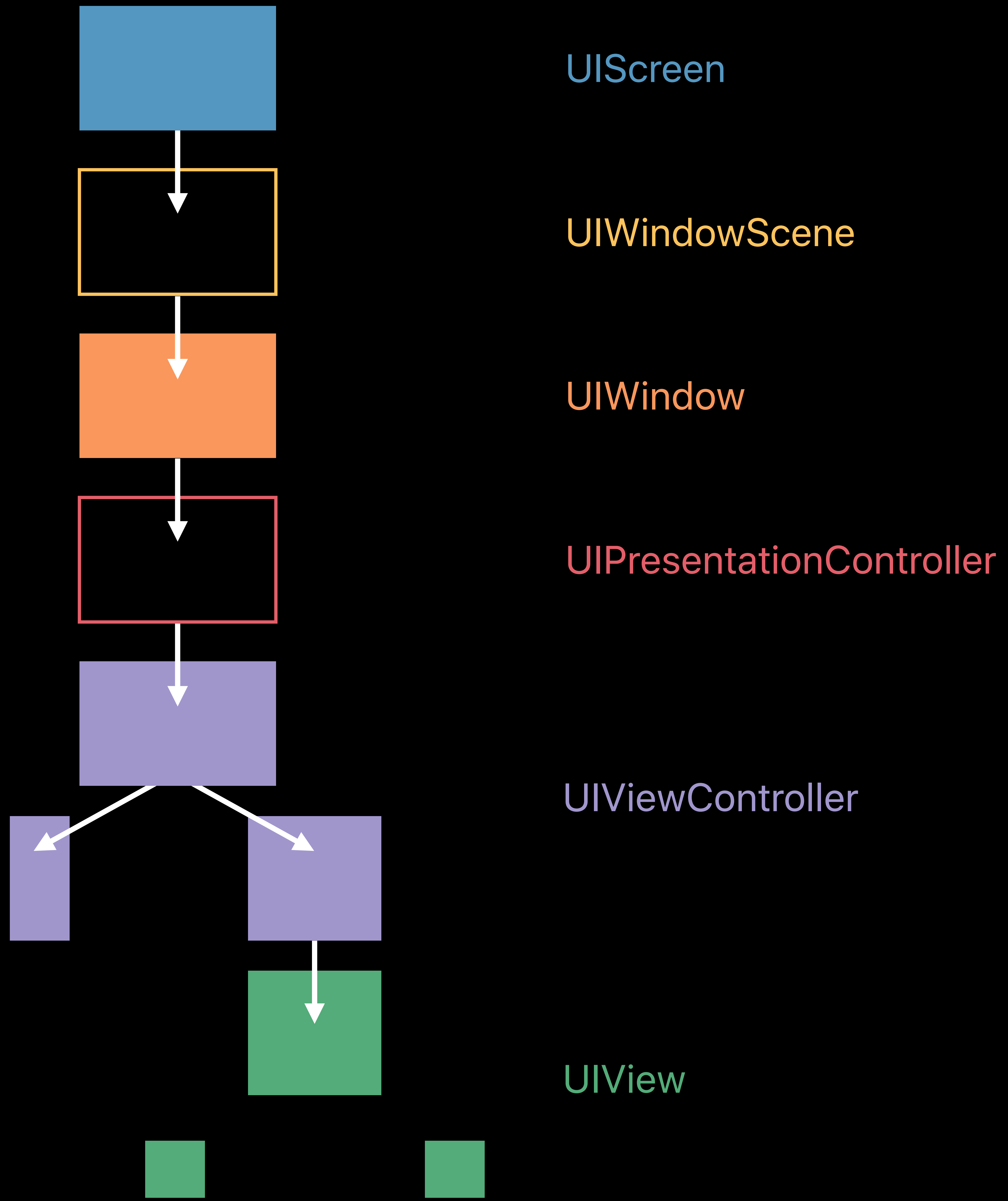
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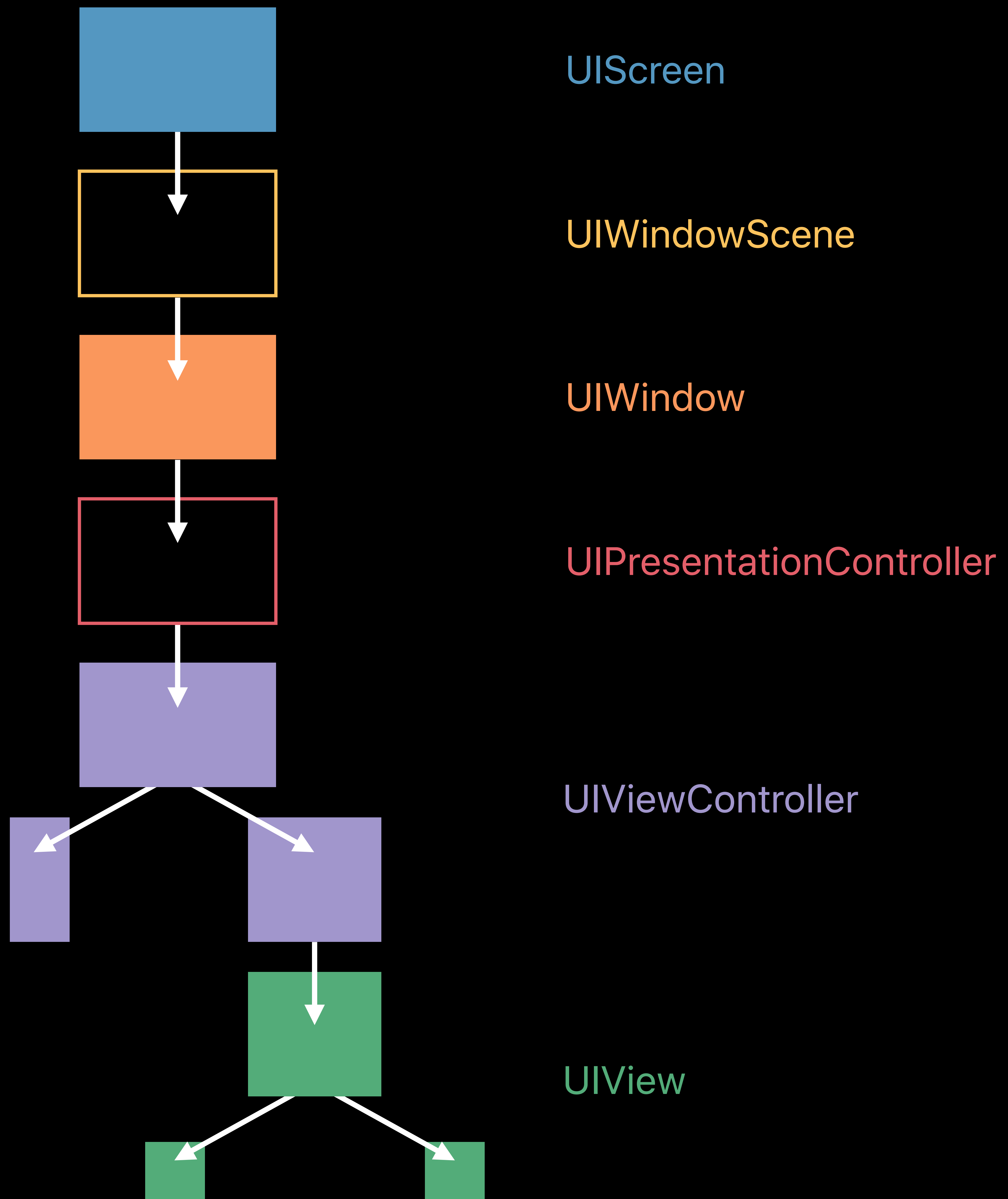
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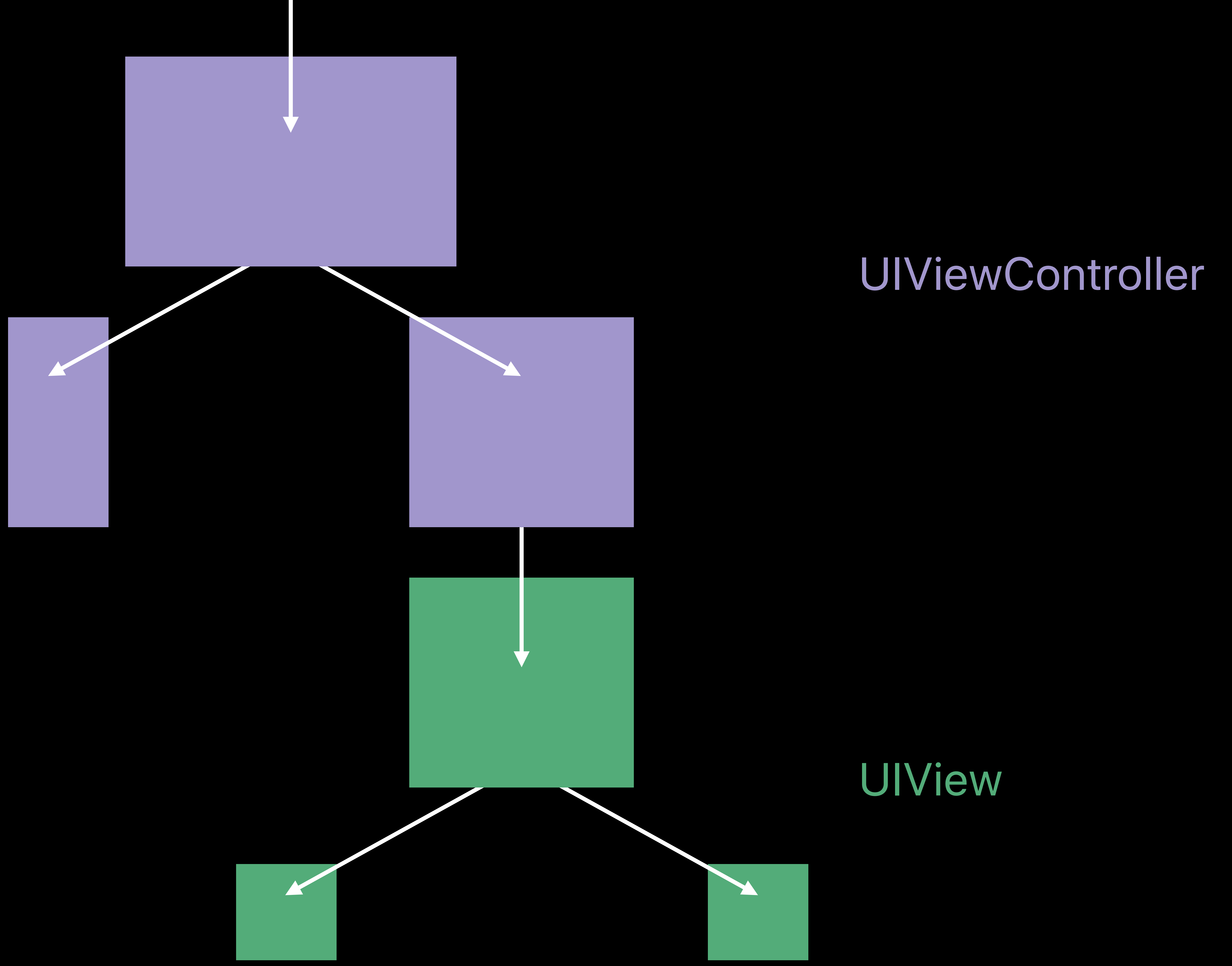
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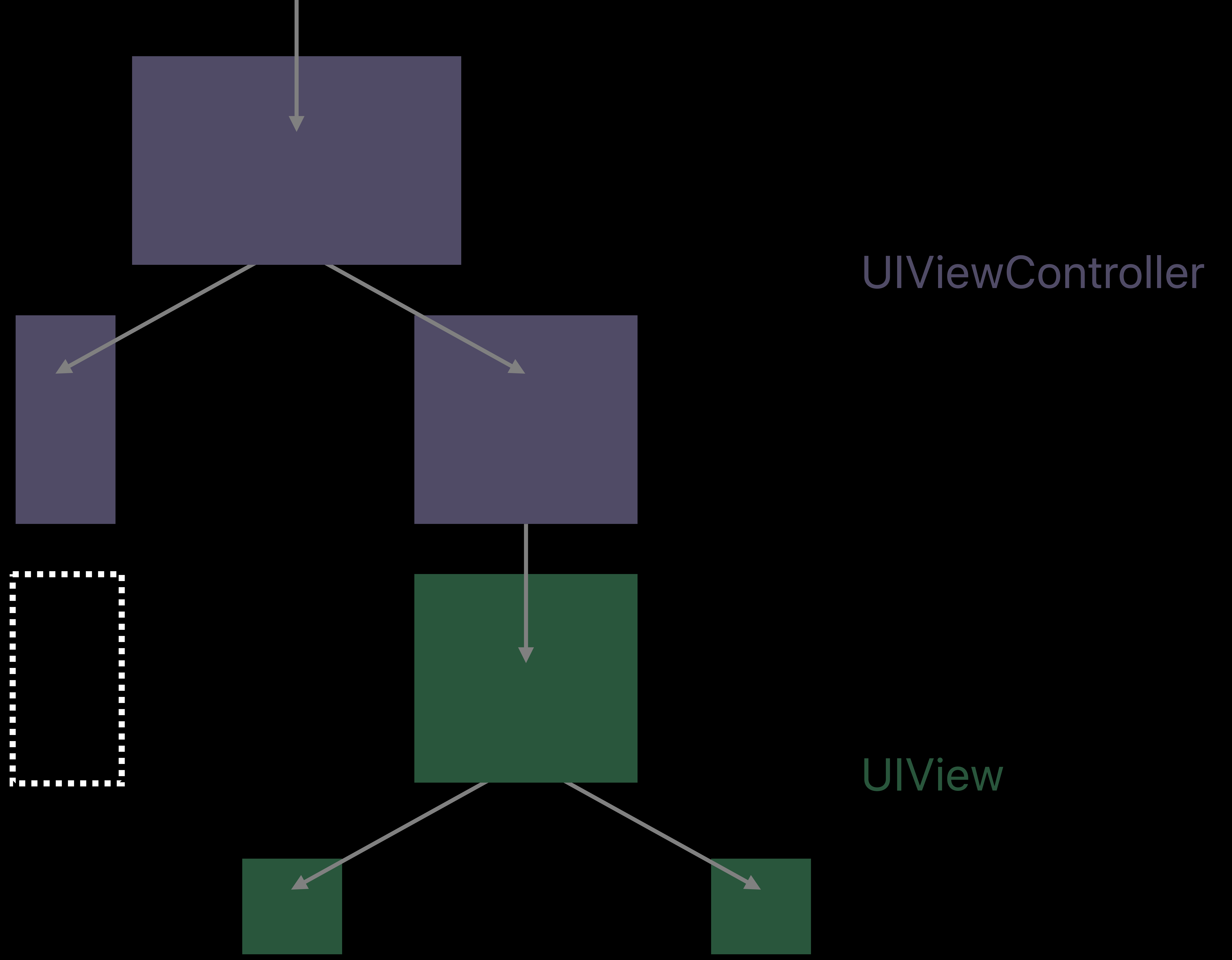
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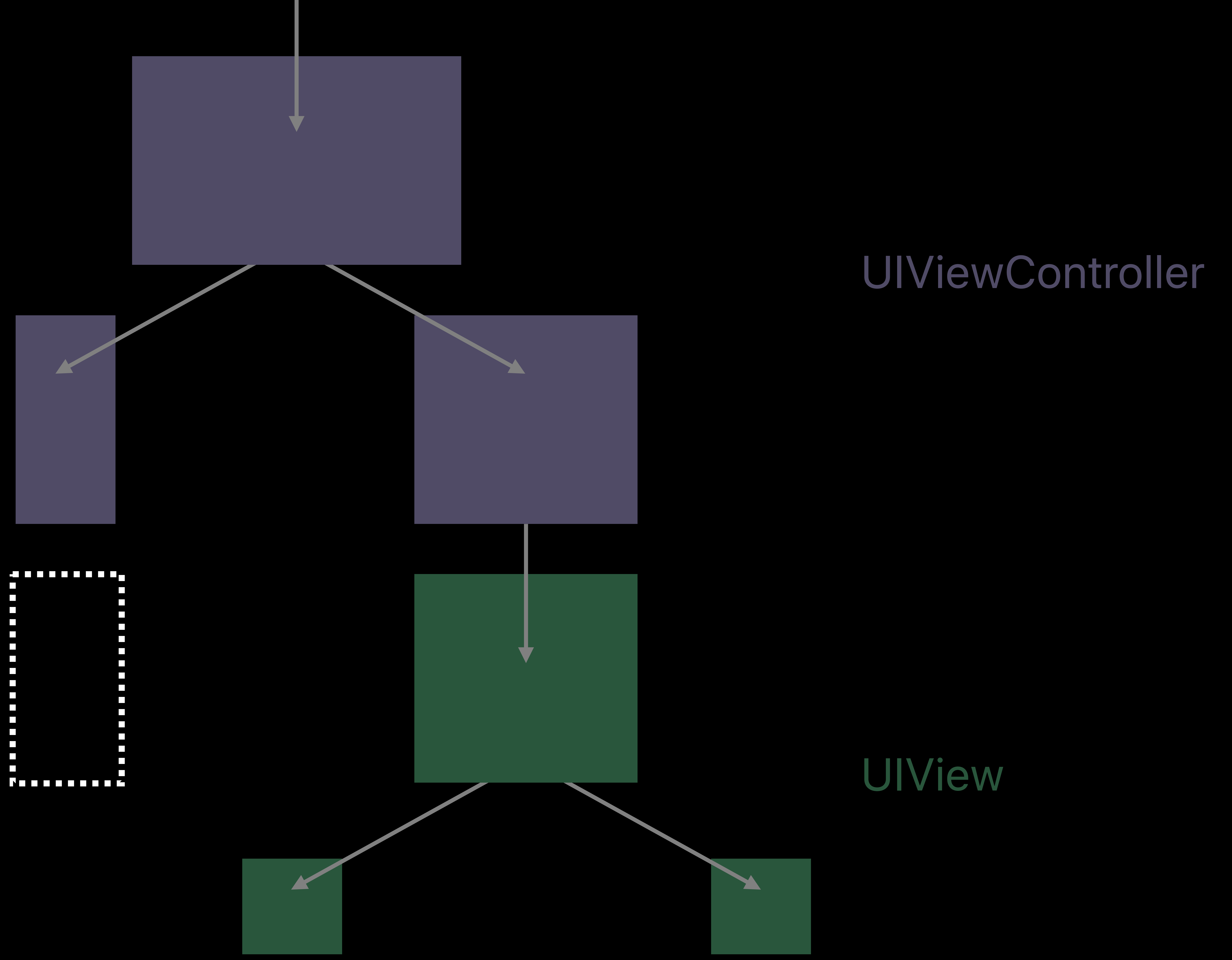
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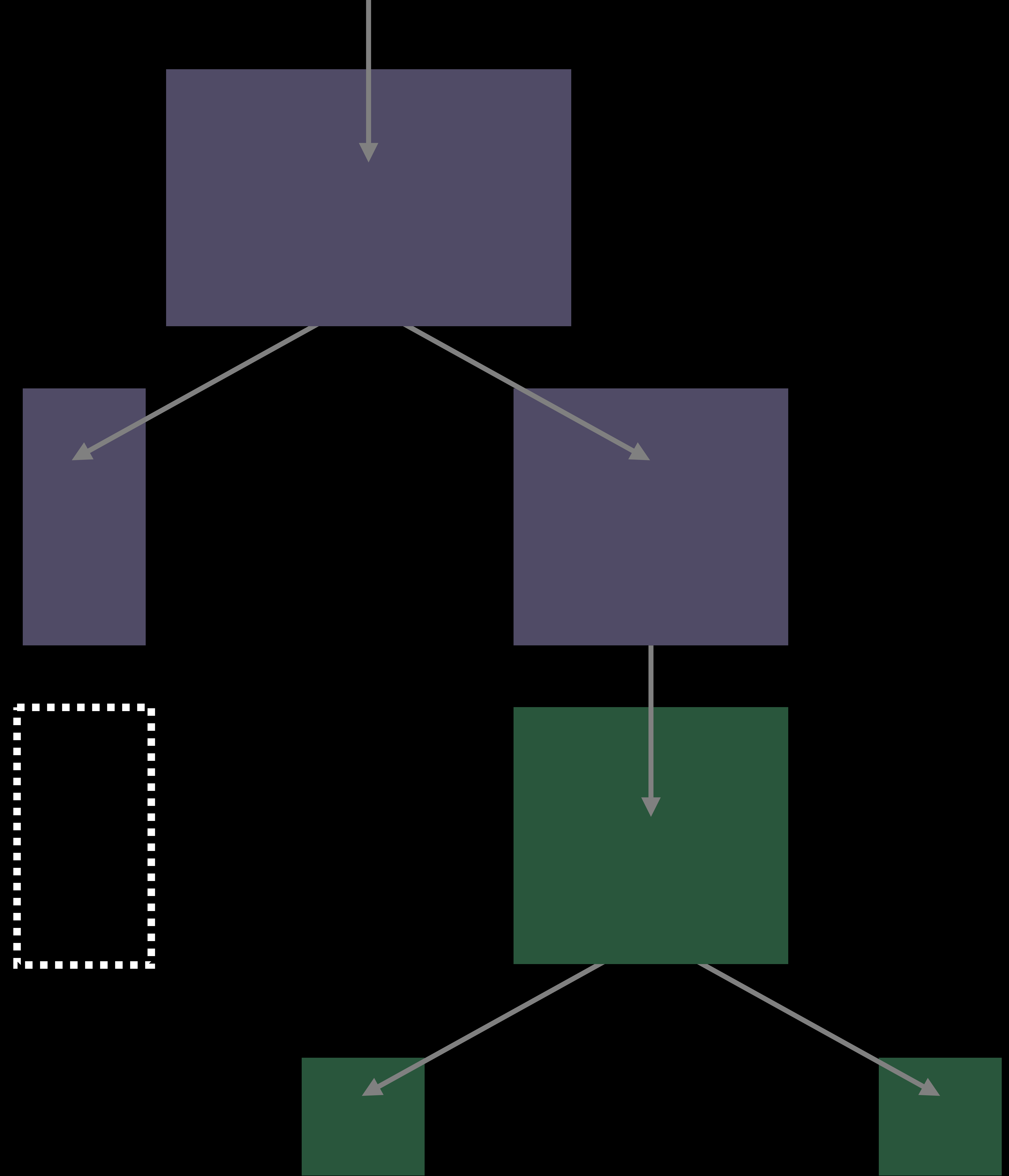
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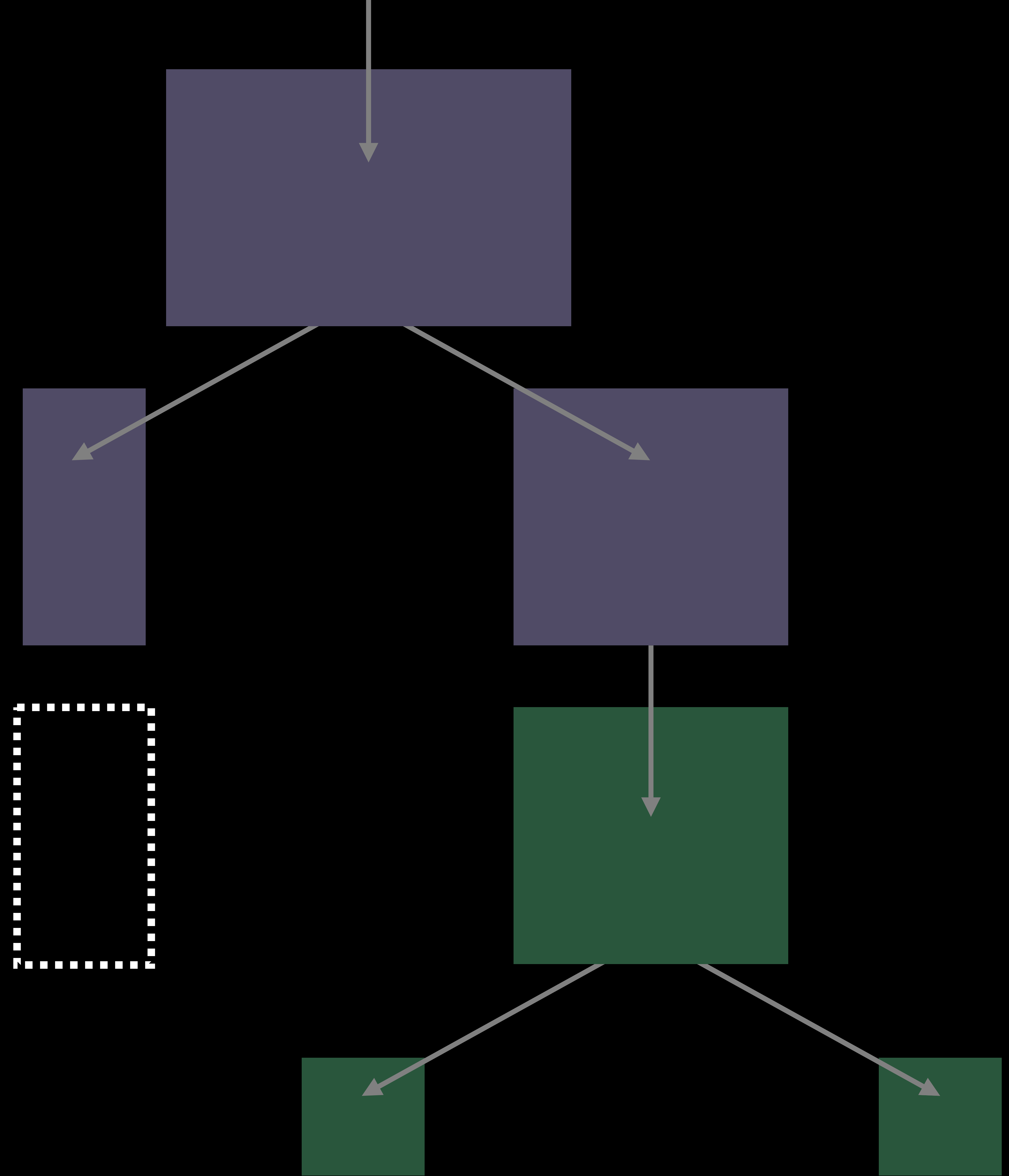
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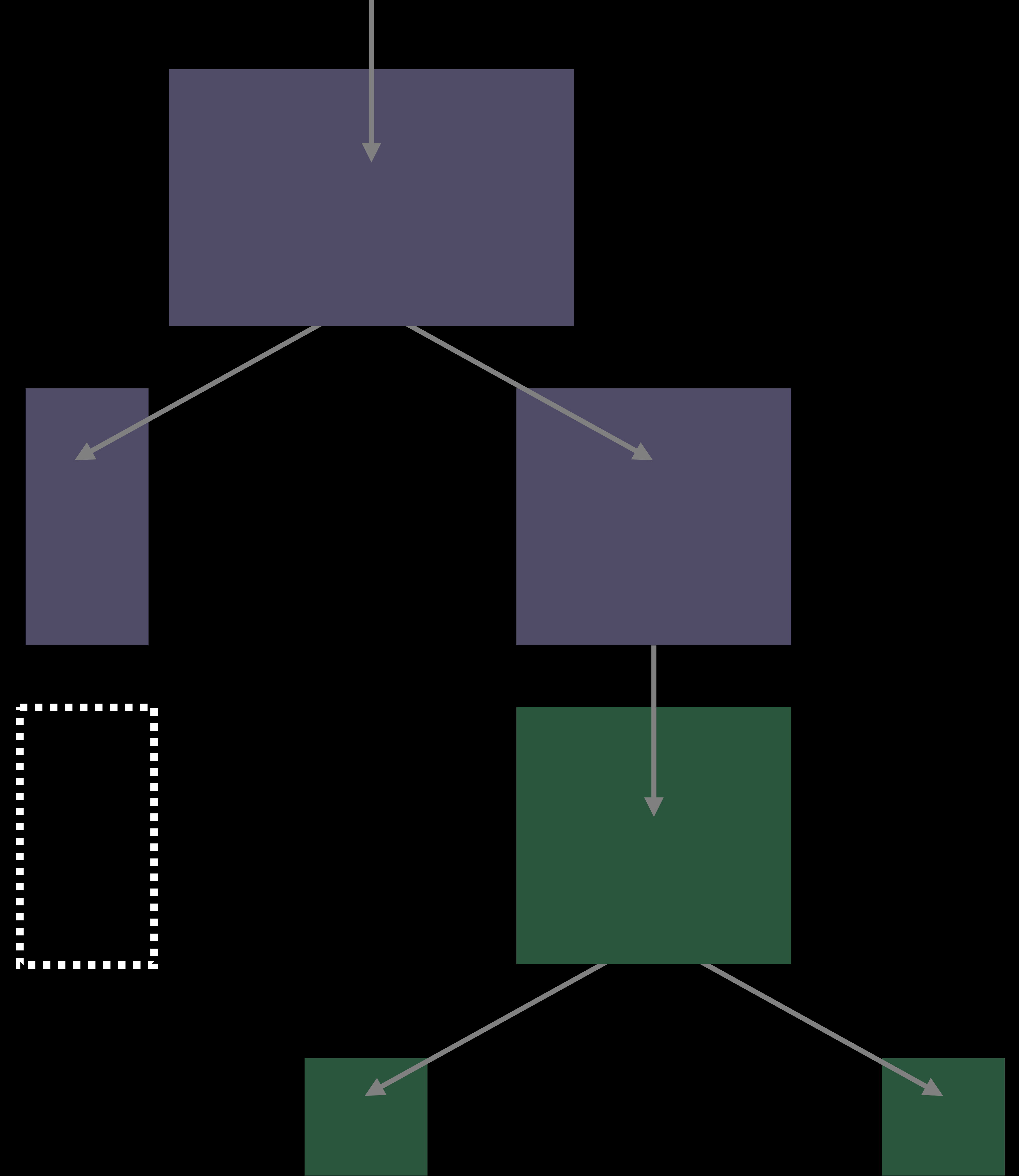




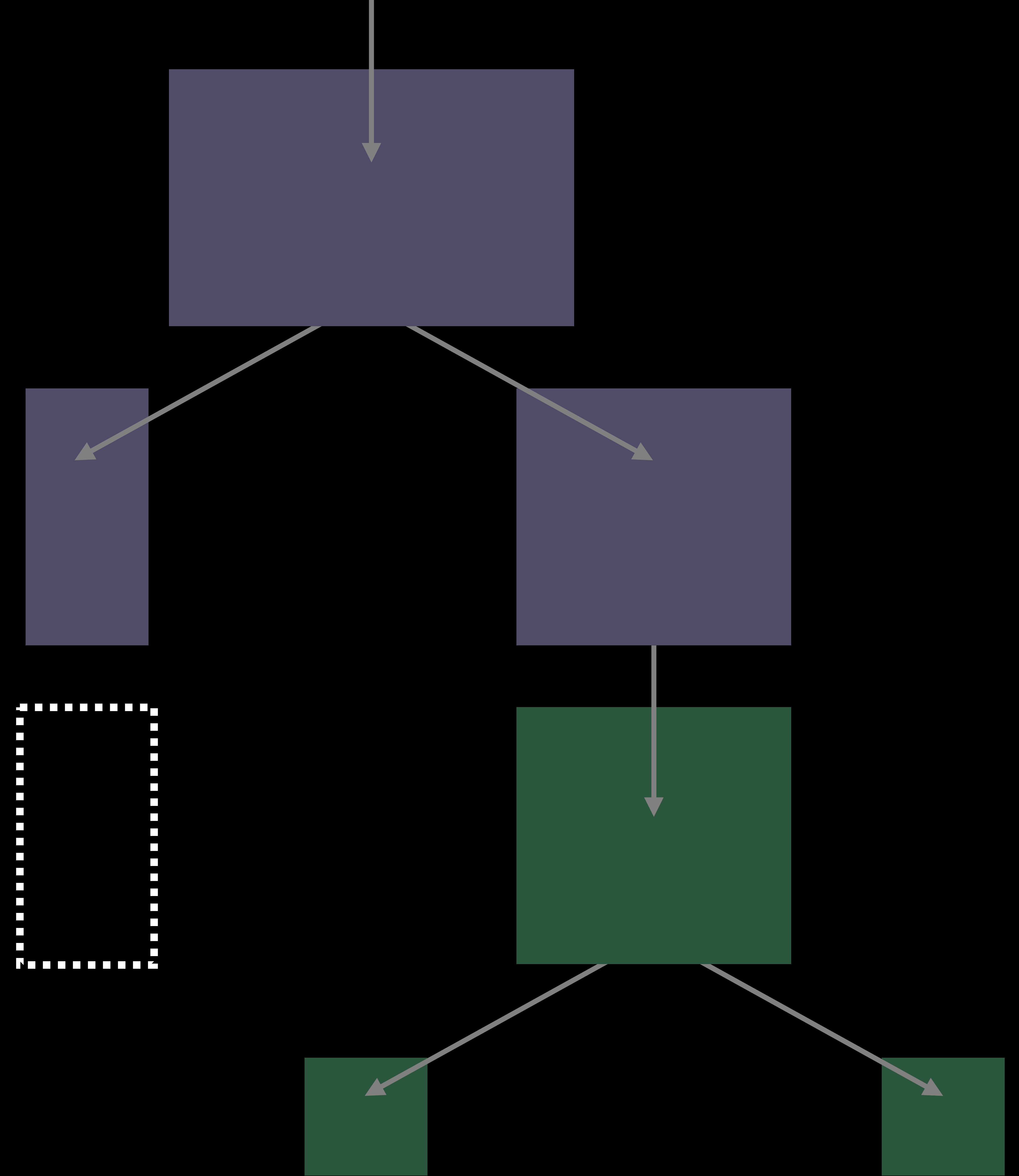




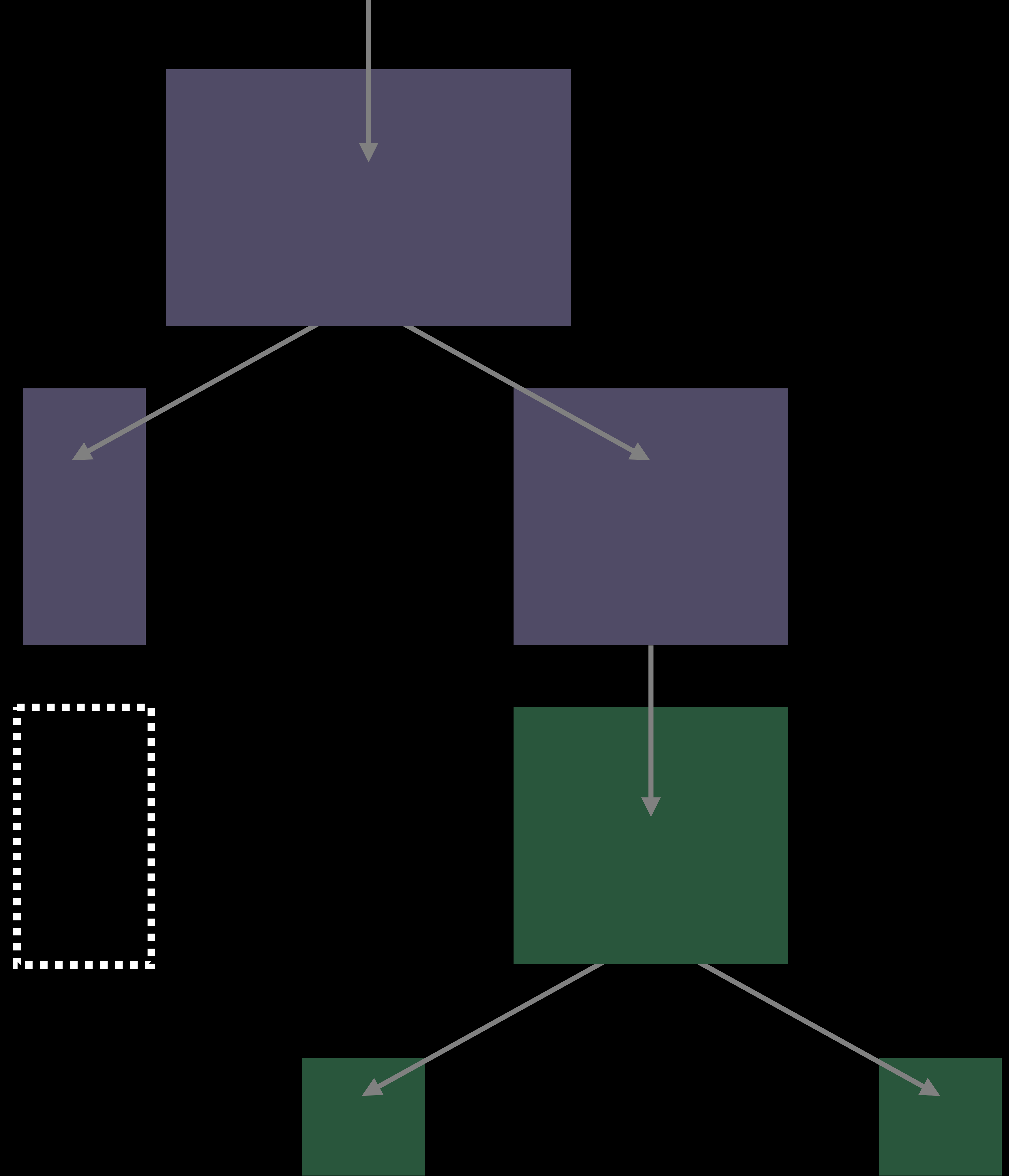

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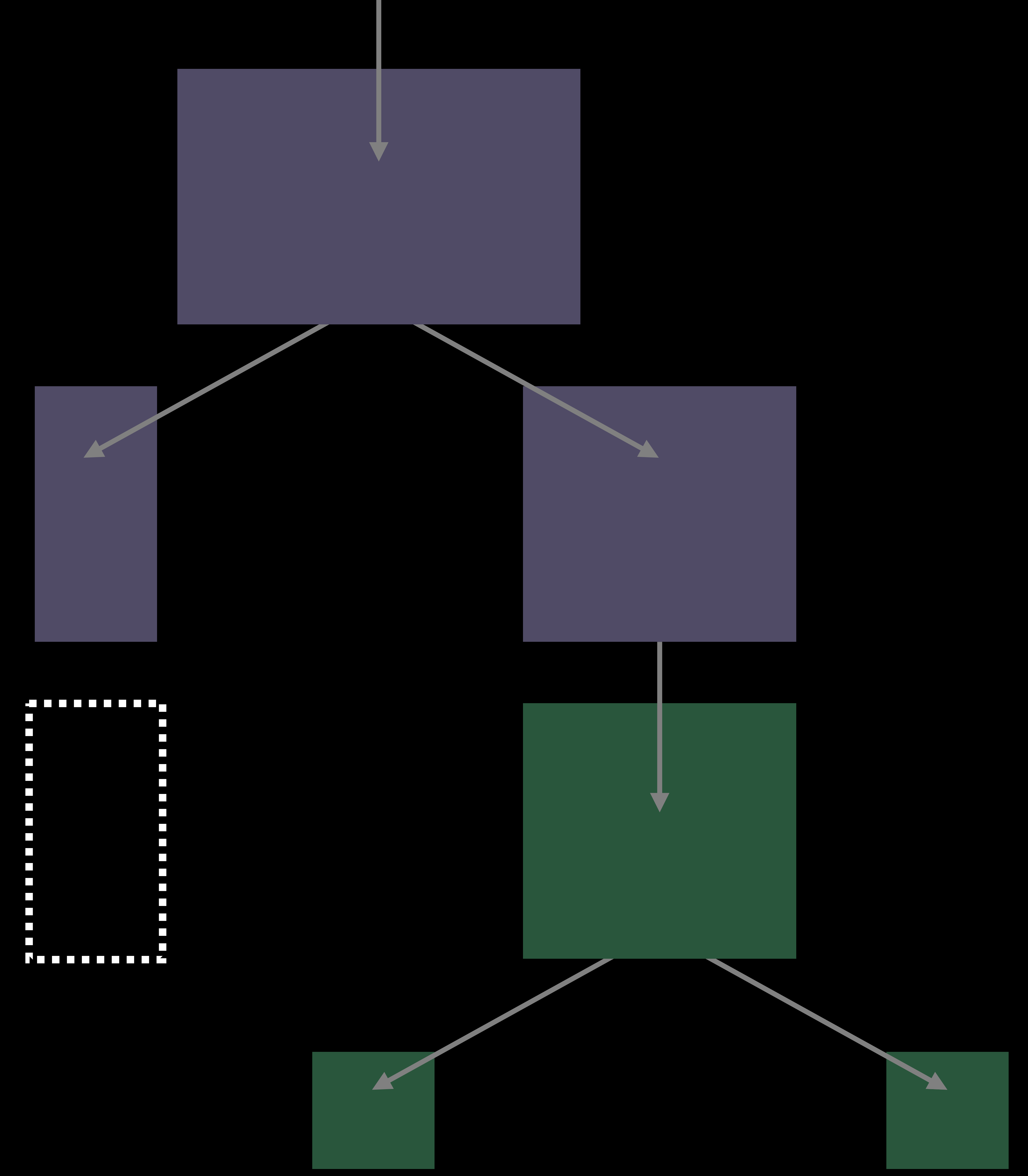
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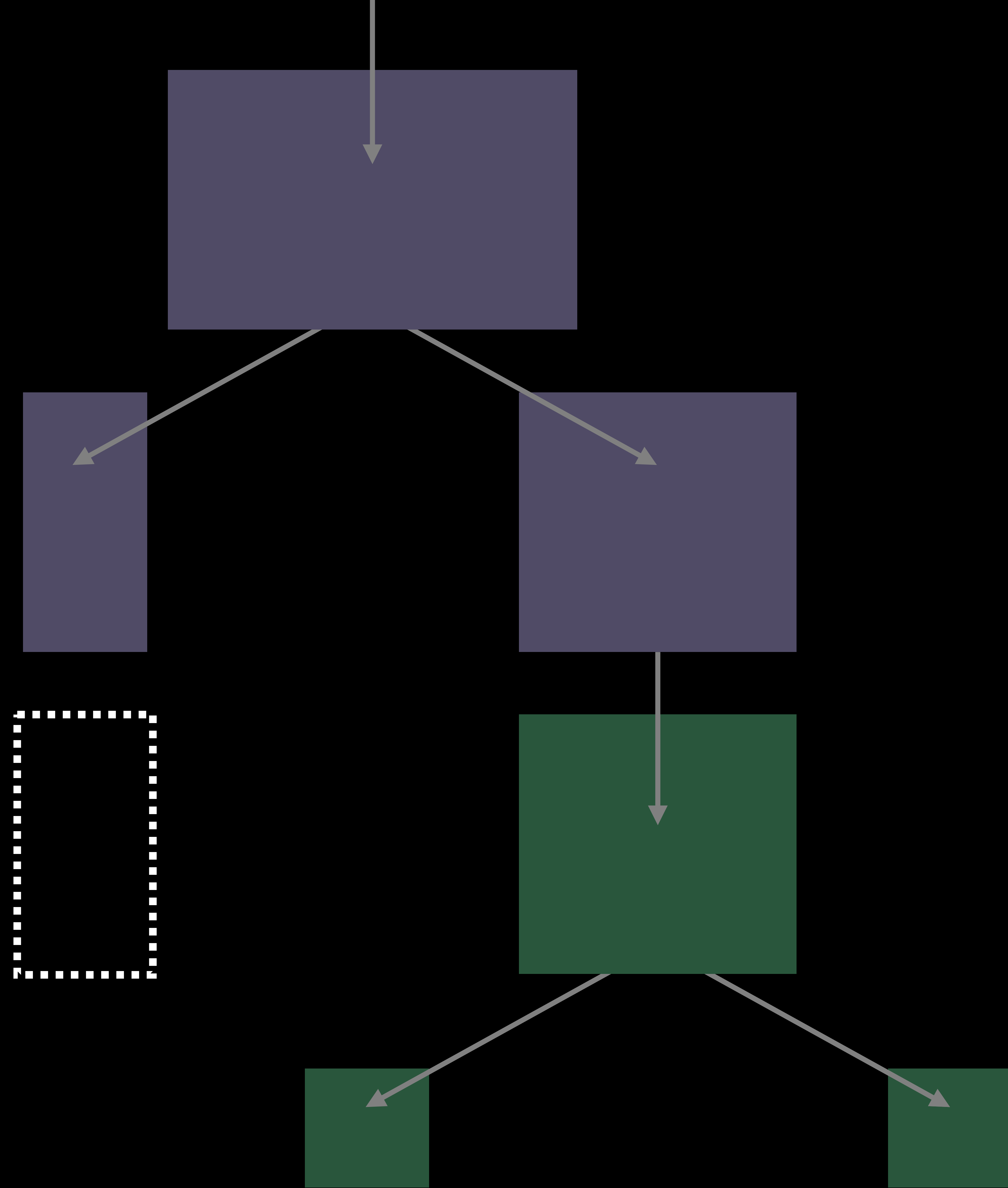


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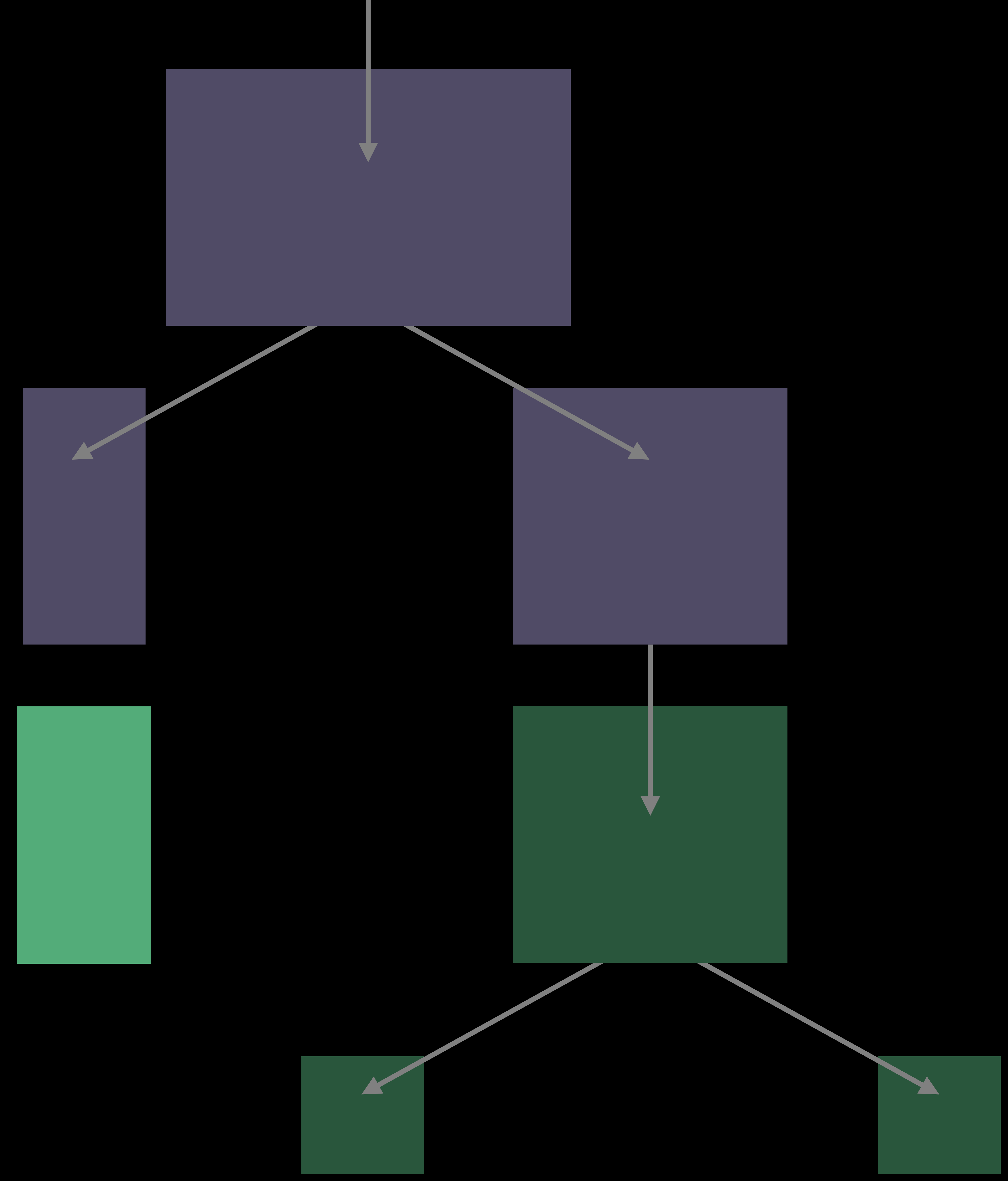


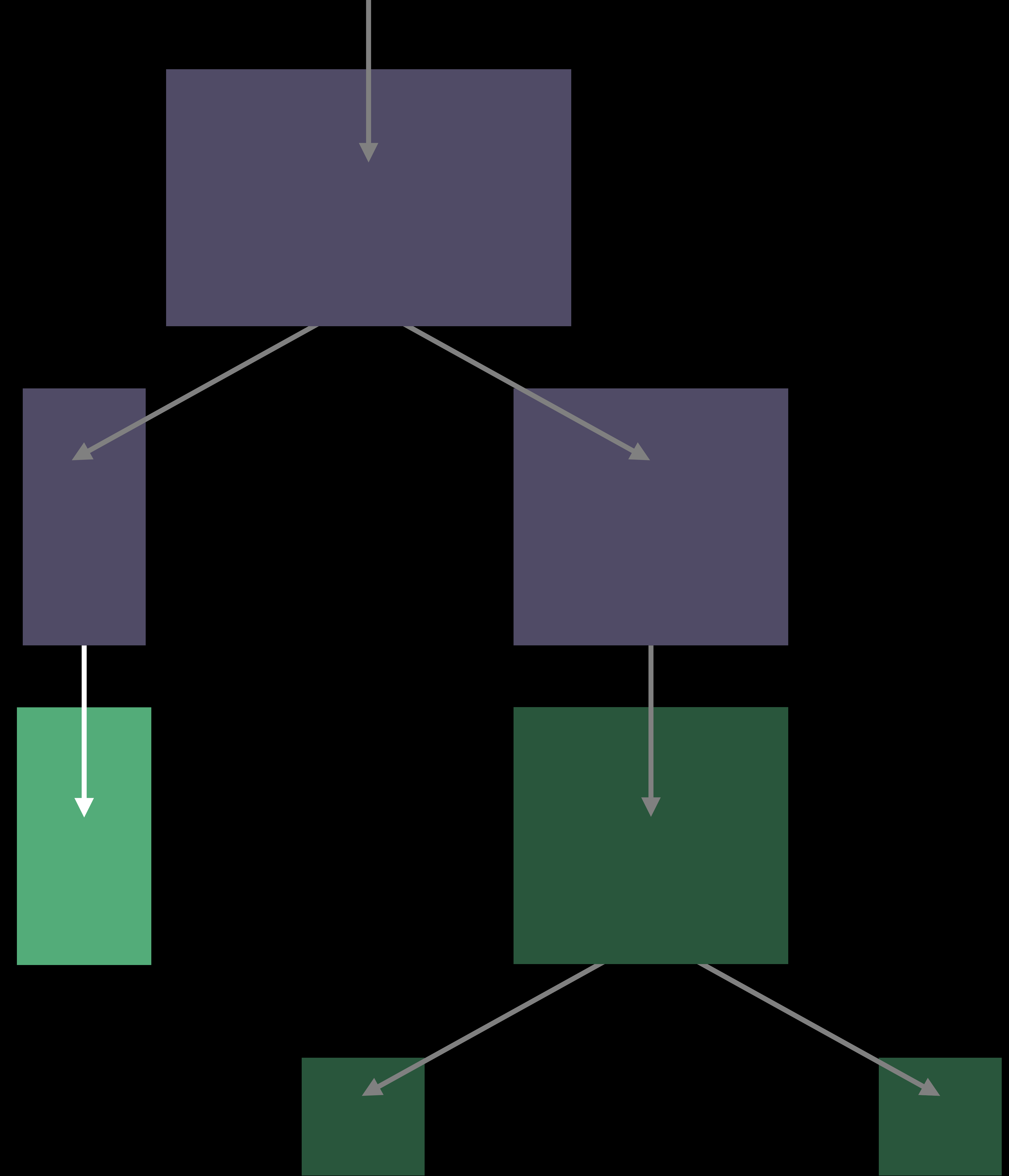


`addSubview(view)`



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Trait Collection Changes in iOS 13

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Traits are predicted during initialization

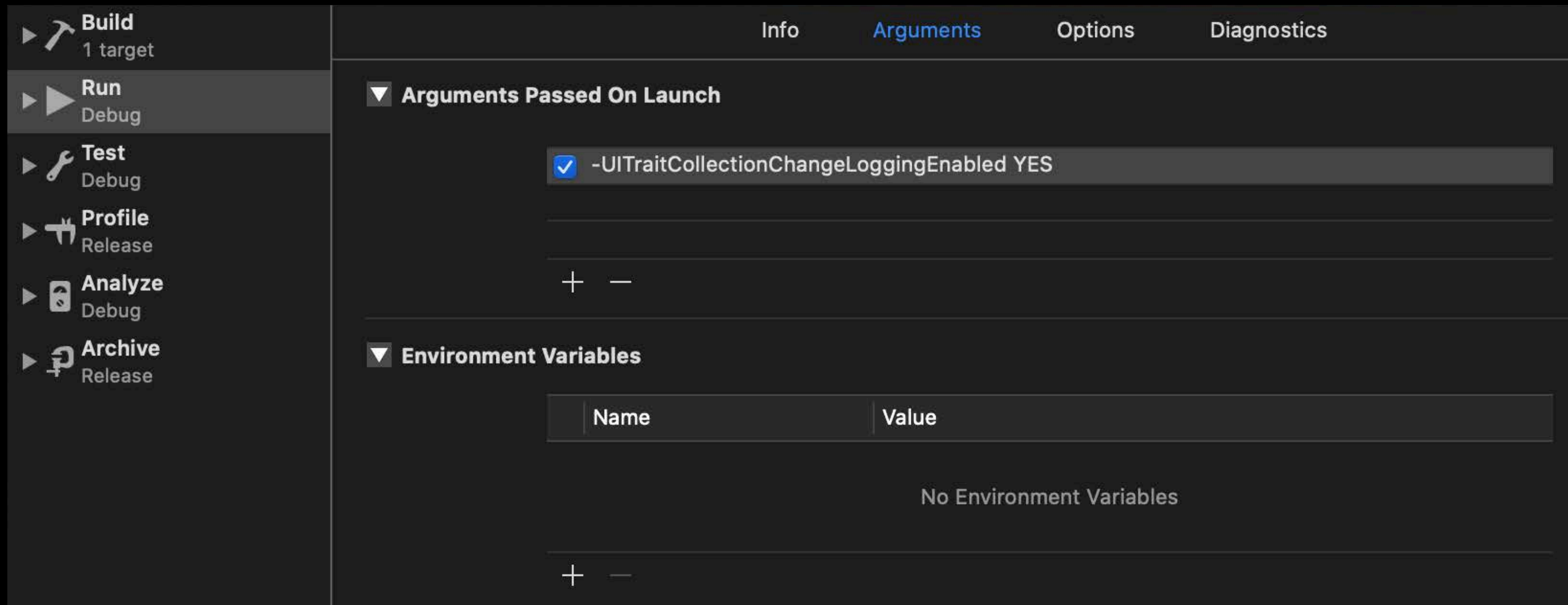
`traitCollectionDidChange(_:)` called only for changes

Trait Collection Changes in iOS 13

NEW

Enable debug logging with launch argument

```
-UITraitCollectionChangeLoggingEnabled YES
```



The screenshot shows the Xcode interface with the 'Run' tab selected. The 'Arguments Passed On Launch' section is expanded, showing a single argument: `-UITraitCollectionChangeLoggingEnabled YES`. The 'Environment Variables' section is also expanded, showing a table with columns 'Name' and 'Value', and the text 'No Environment Variables' below it.

Name	Value
No Environment Variables	

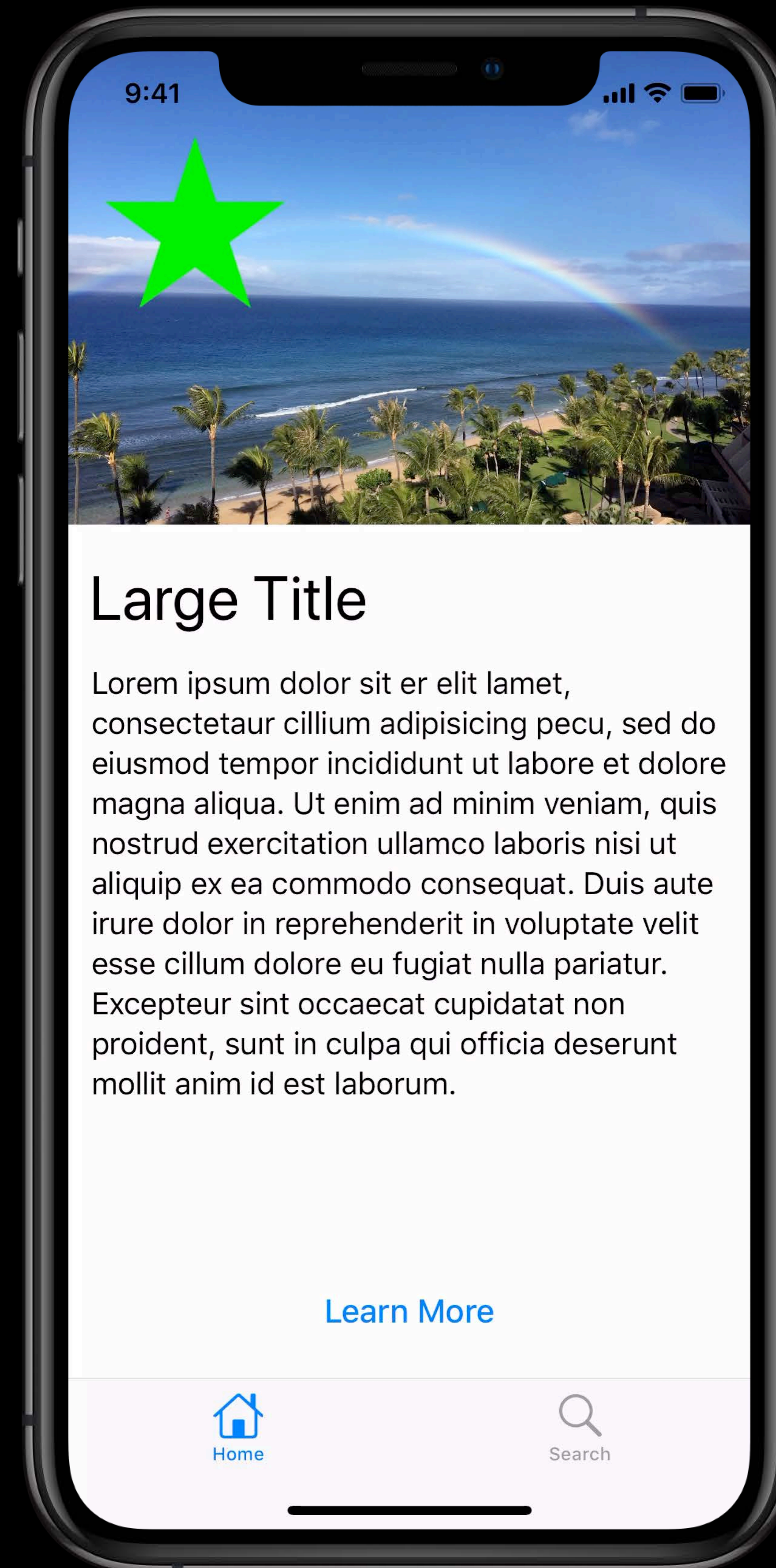
Using Trait Collections

Layout is the best time to use traits

```
UIViewController.viewWillLayoutSubviews()
```

```
UIView.layoutSubviews()
```

```
UIViewController.viewDidLayoutSubviews()
```

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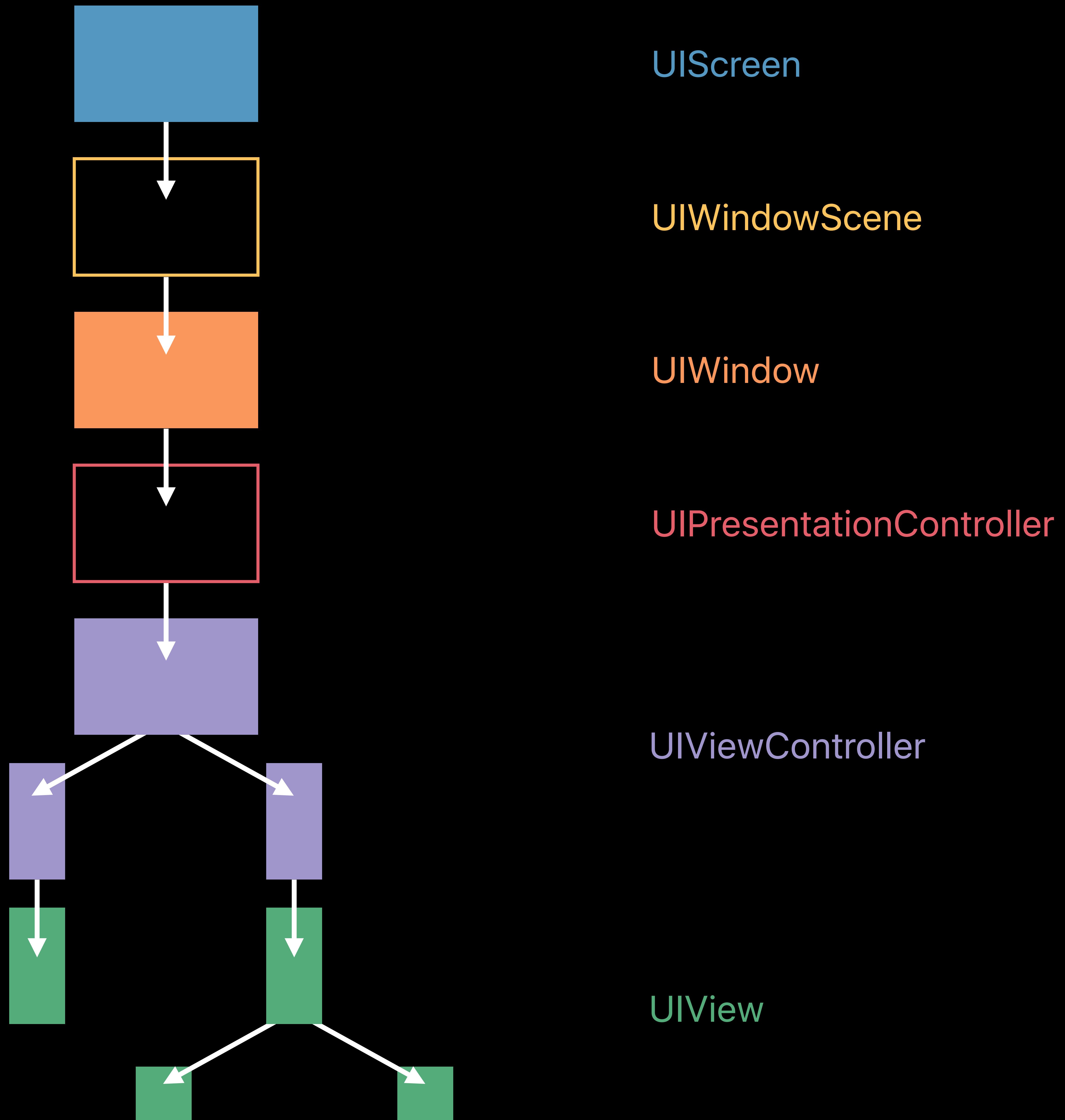
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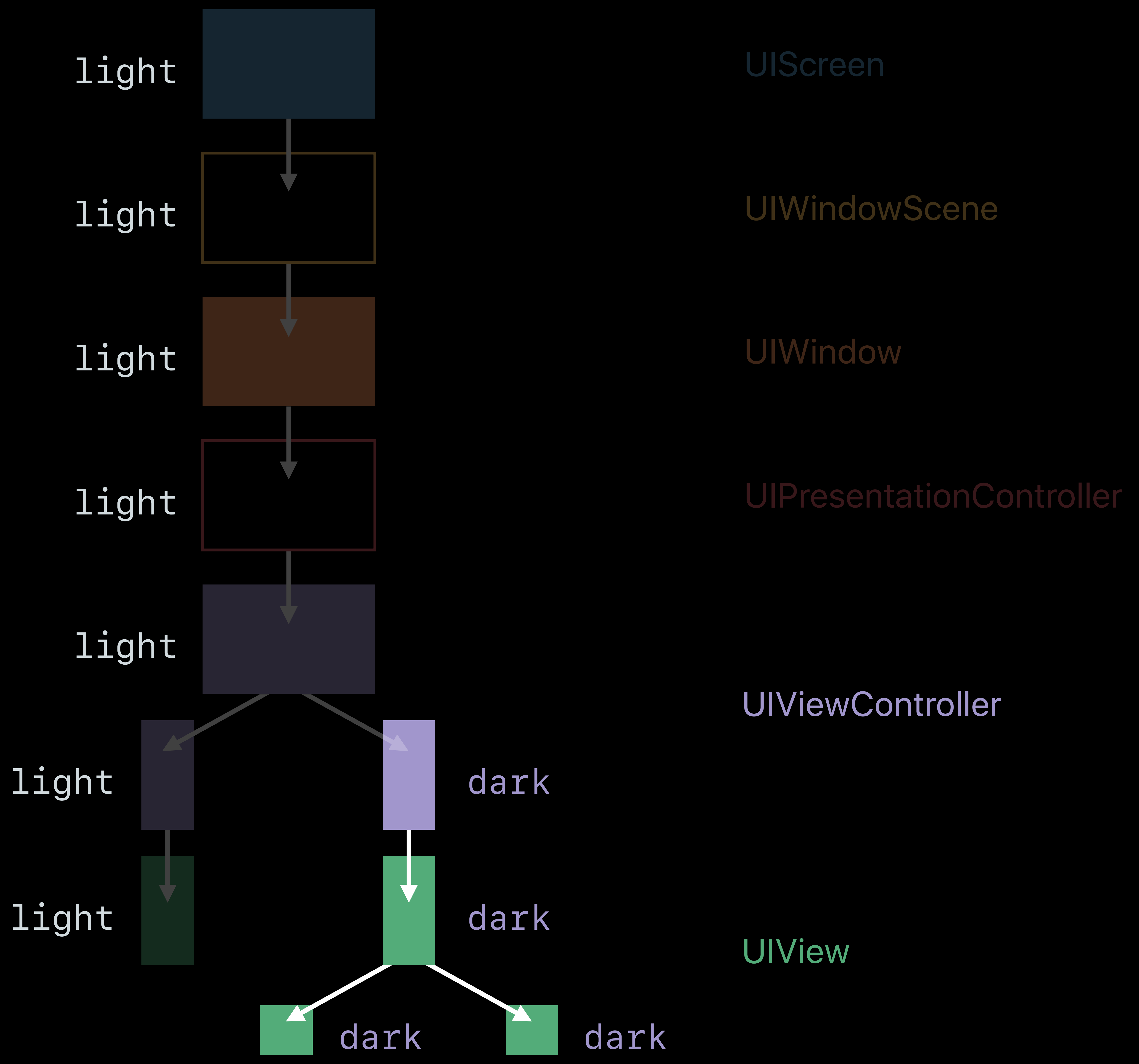


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Overriding User Interface Style

NEW

```
class UIViewController {  
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}
```

```
class UIView {  
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}
```


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}
```

For entire app, set Info.plist key `UIUserInterfaceStyle` to `Light` or `Dark`

Overriding Traits

Existing API to override any traits

```
class UIPresentationController {  
    var overrideTraitCollection: UITraitCollection?  
}
```

```
class UIViewController {  
    func setOverrideTraitCollection(_: UITraitCollection?, forChild: UIViewController)  
}
```

Only specify values for traits you want to override

Dark Mode API Updates

Status Bar

Before iOS 13

`.default`



`.lightContent`



Status Bar

iOS 13

NEW

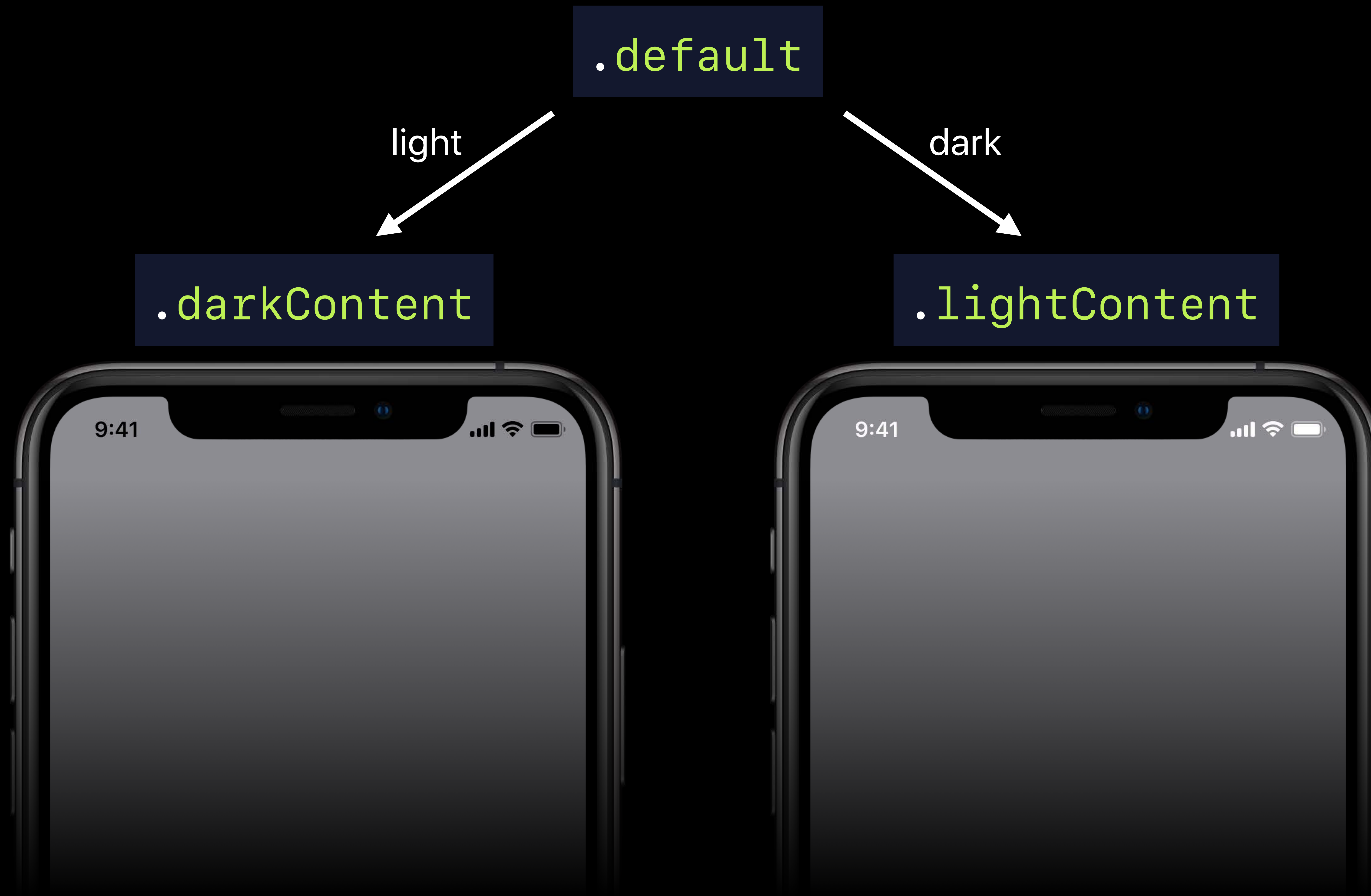
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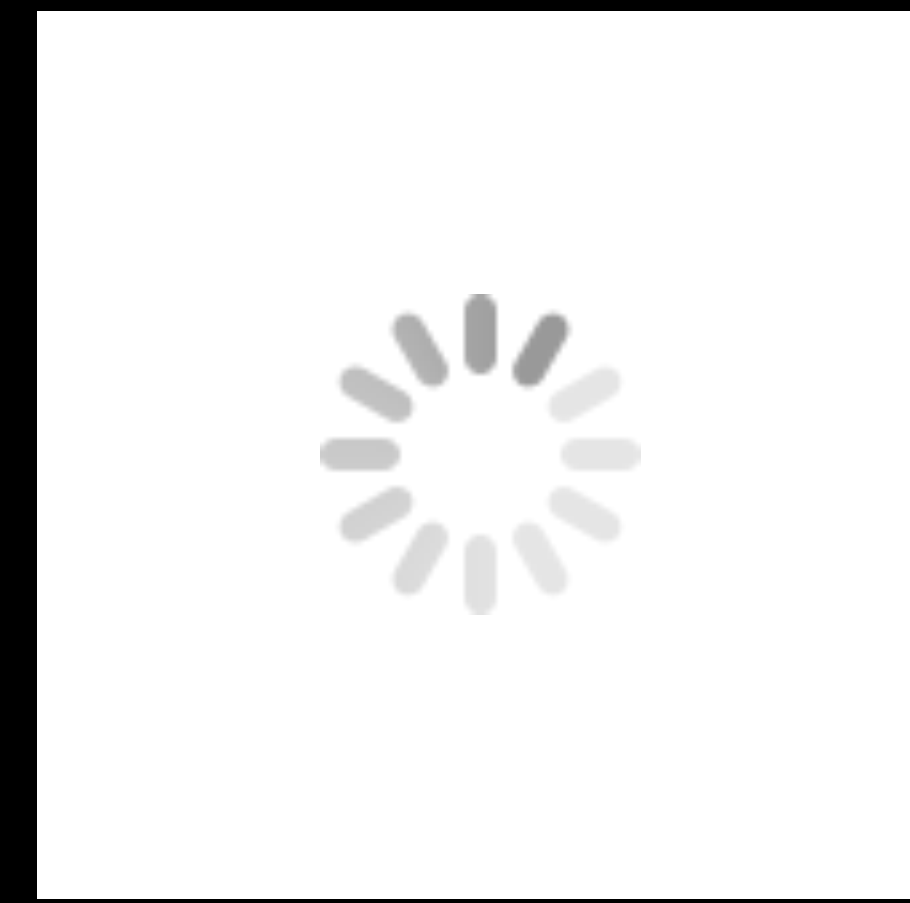
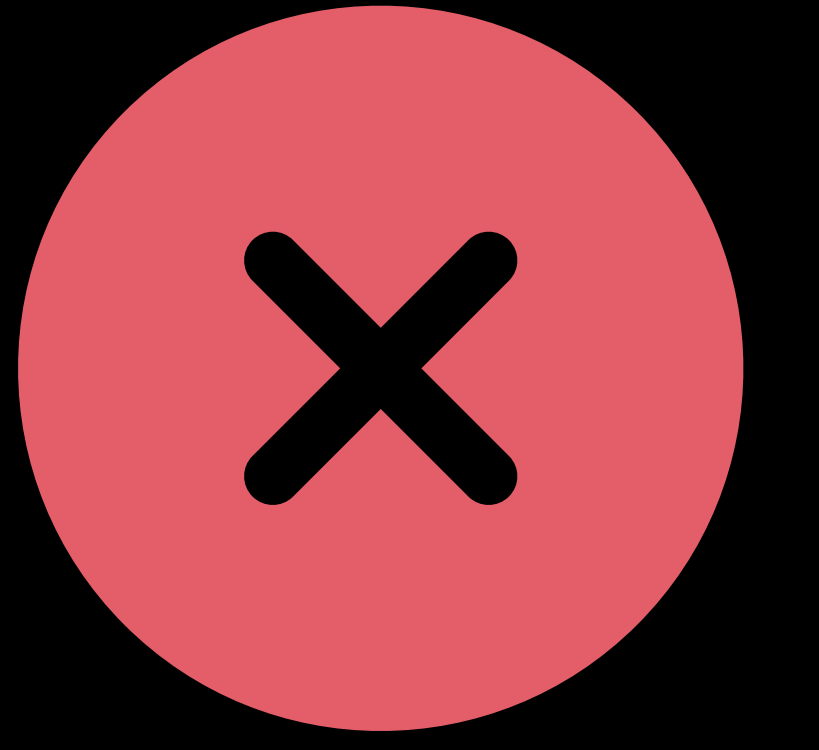
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iOS 13

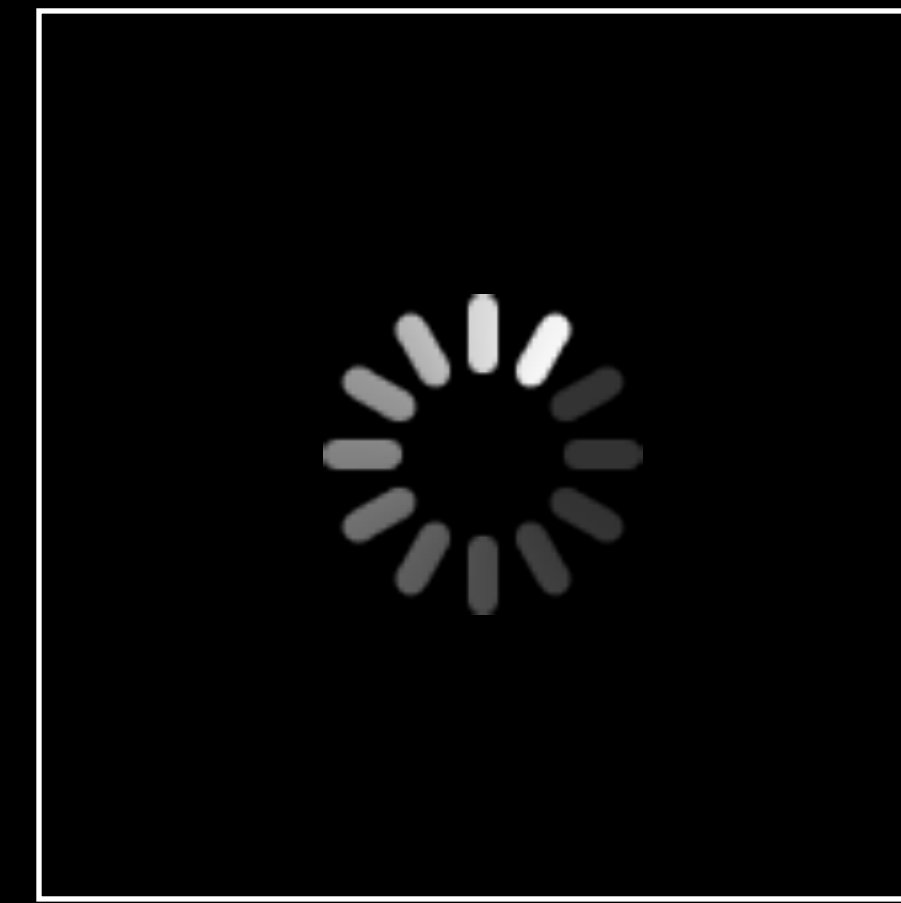


UIActivityIndicatorView

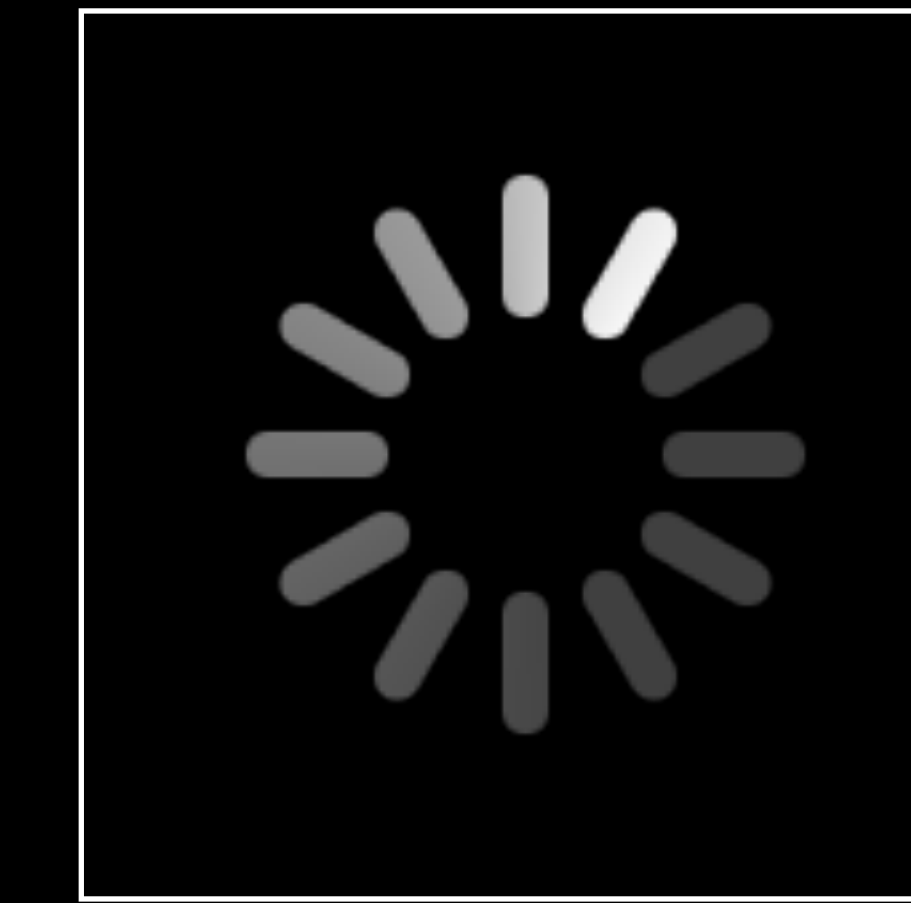
Deprecated styles



`.gray`



`.white`



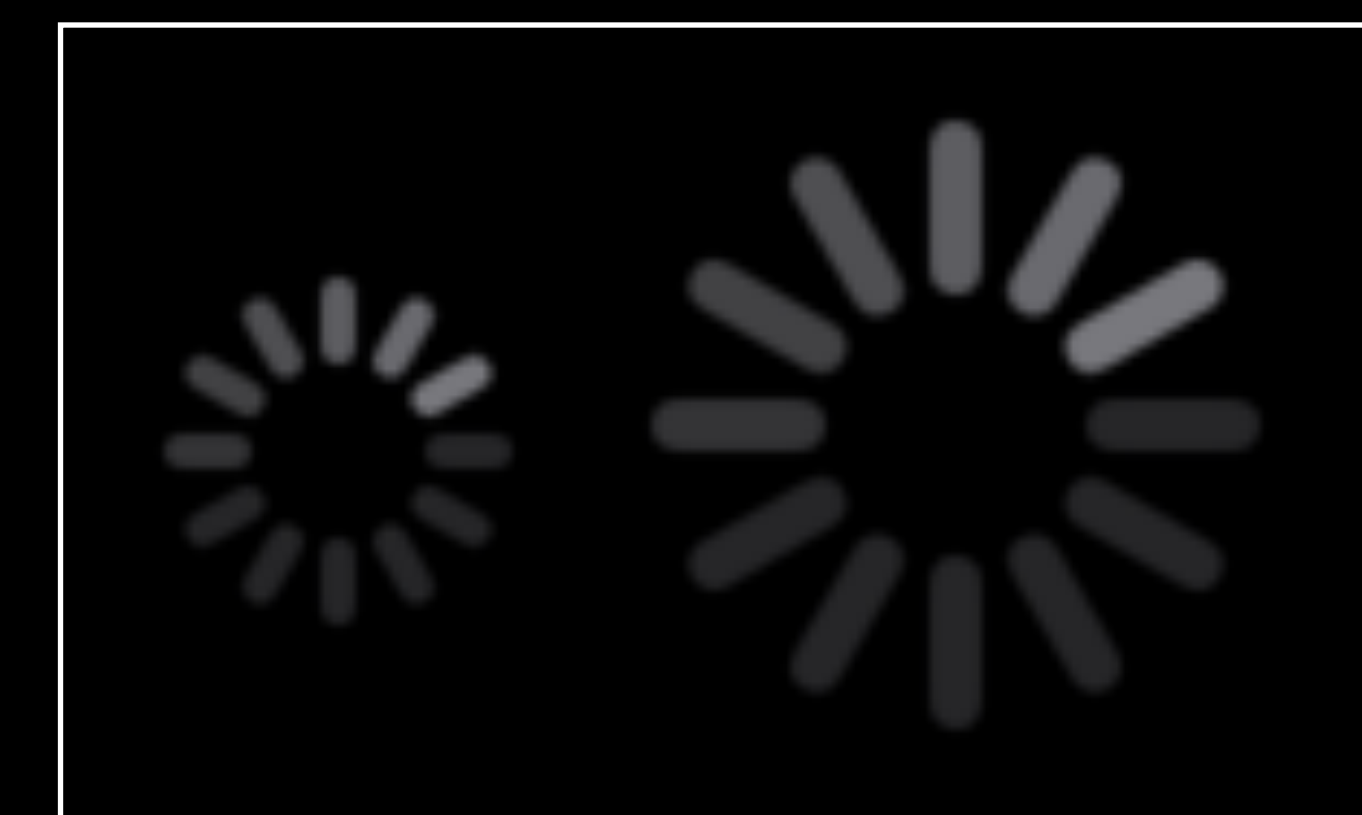
`.whiteLarge`

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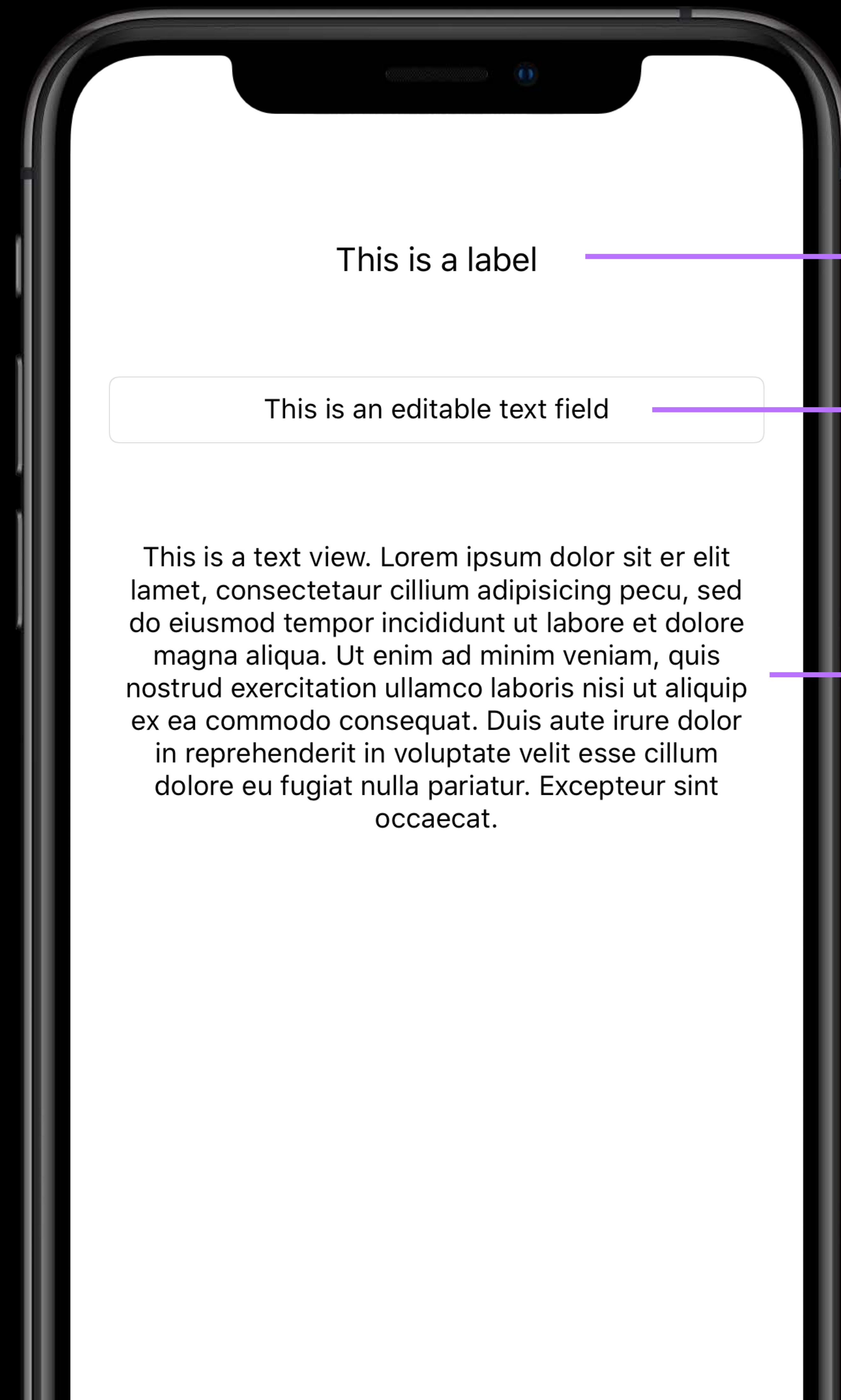
NEW

New dynamic styles `.medium` and `.large`

Use the `color` property to set your own



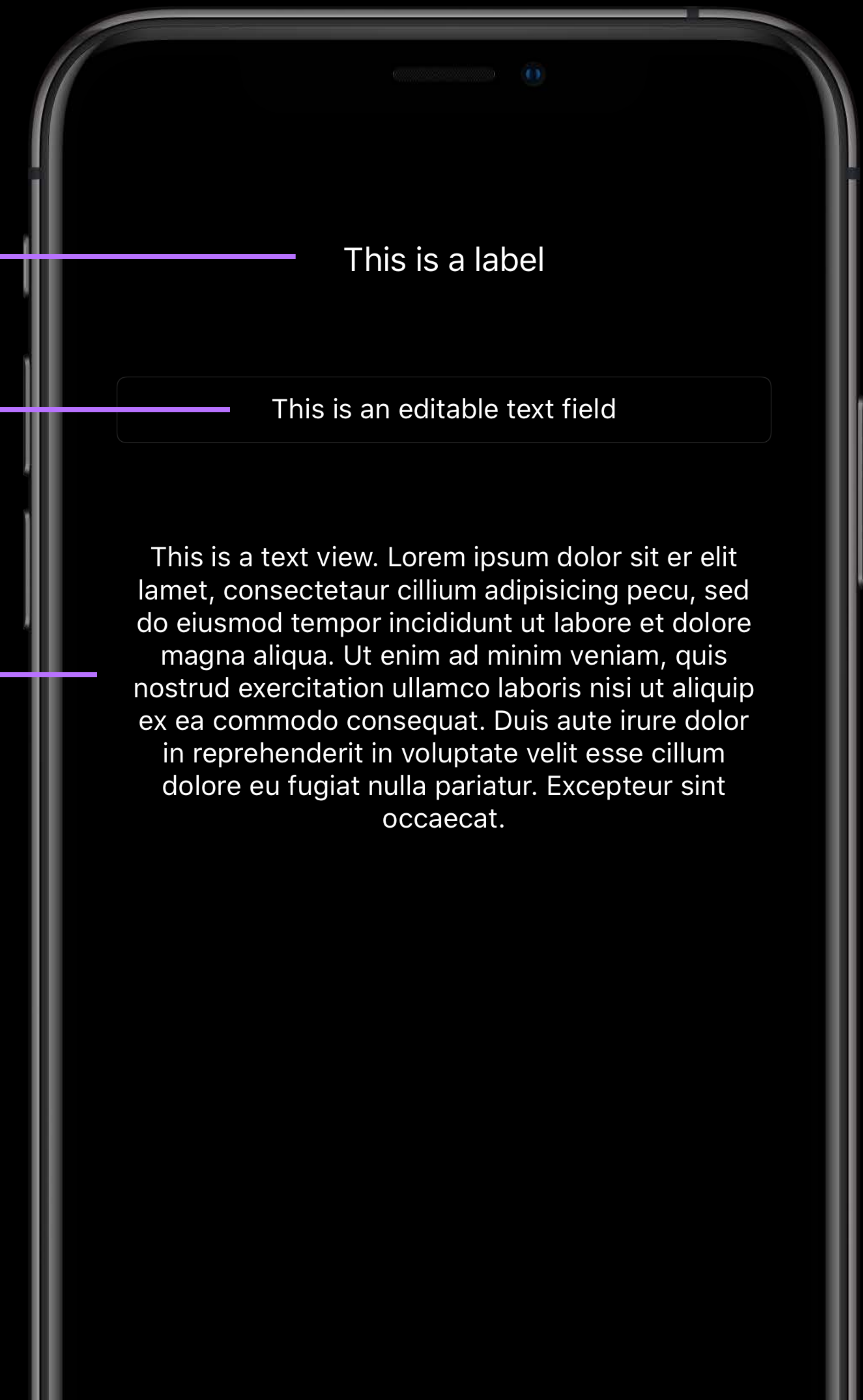
Drawing Text



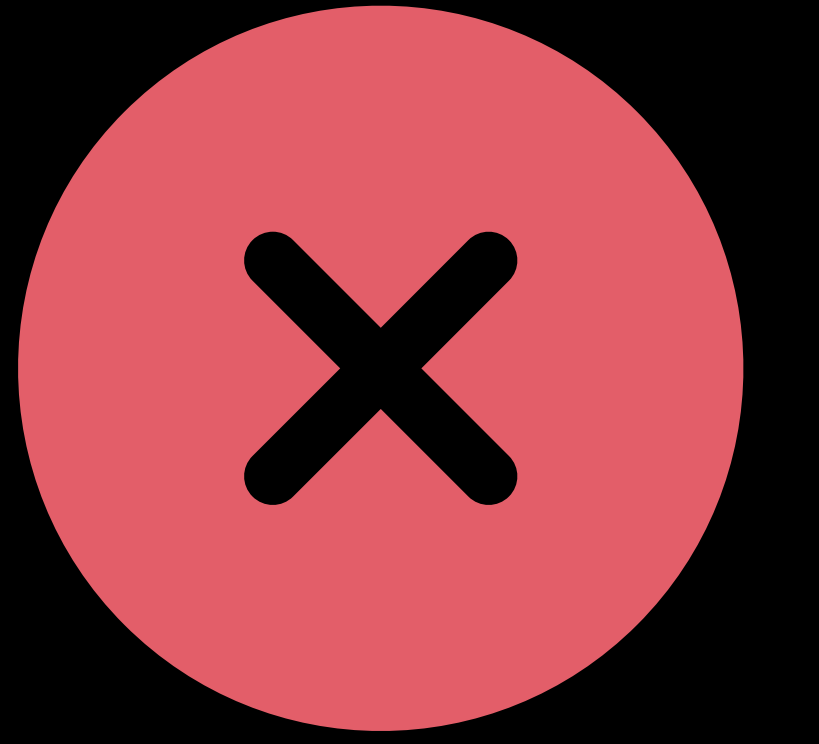
UILabel

UITextField

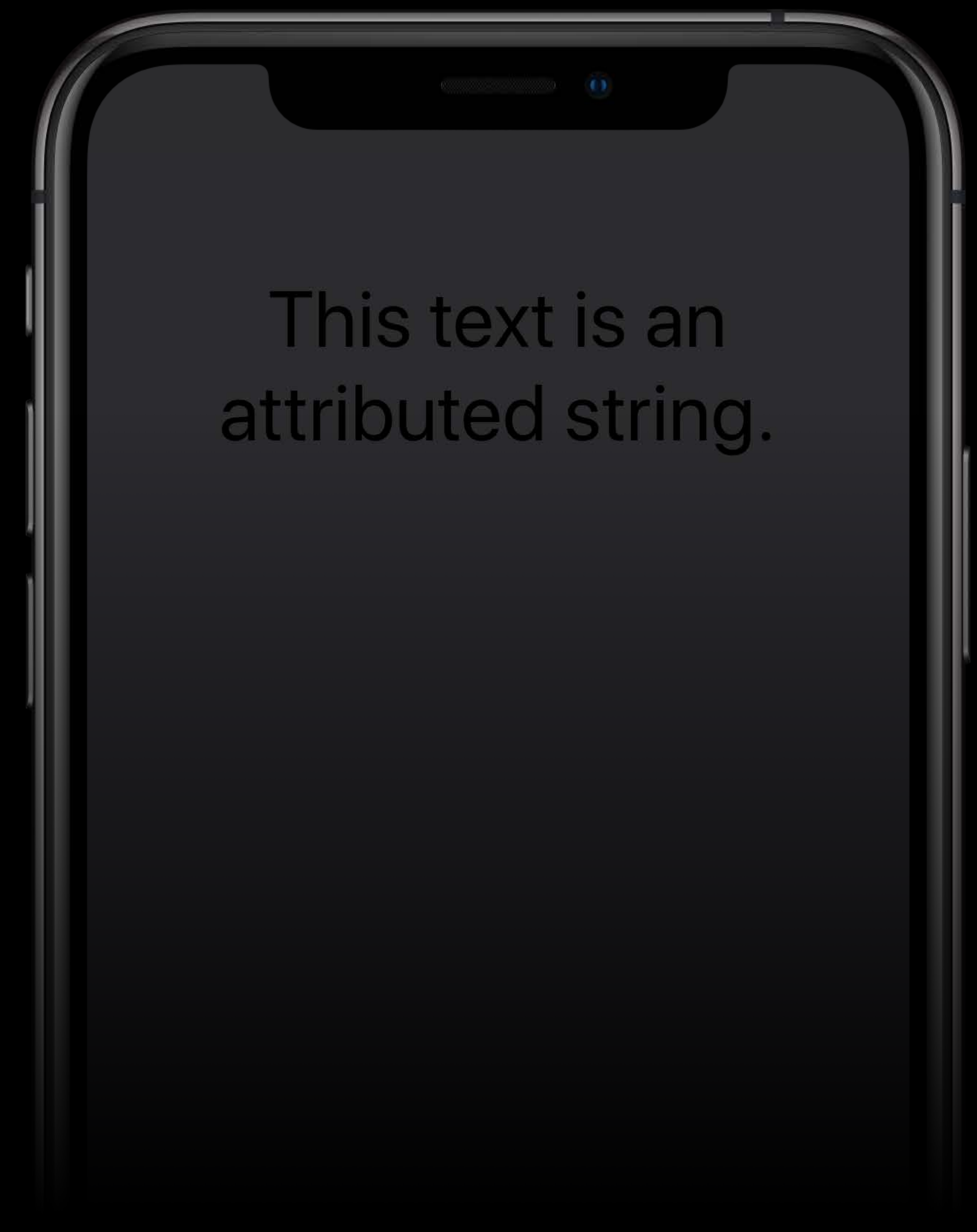
UITextView



Drawing Attributed Text



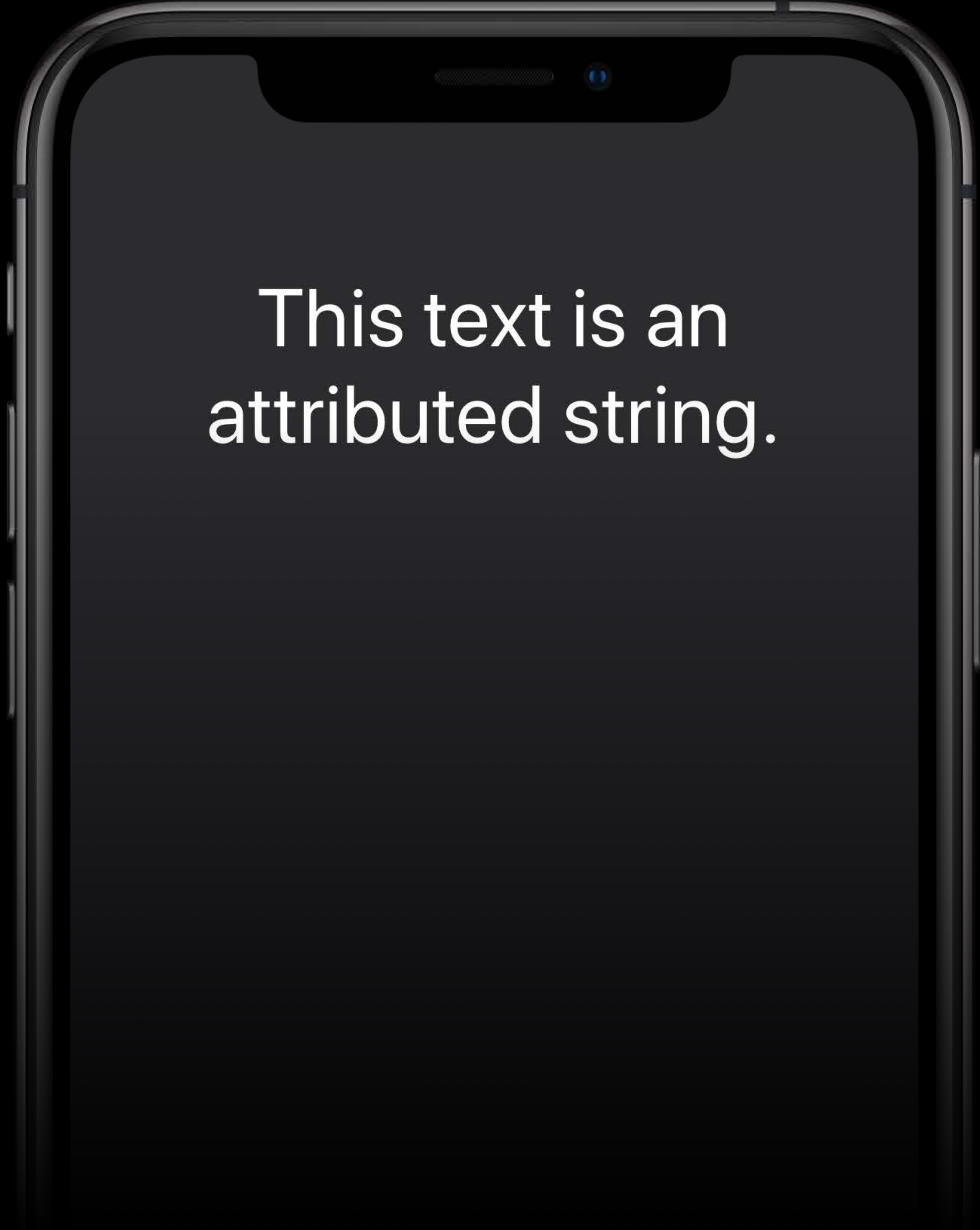
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Drawing Attributed Text



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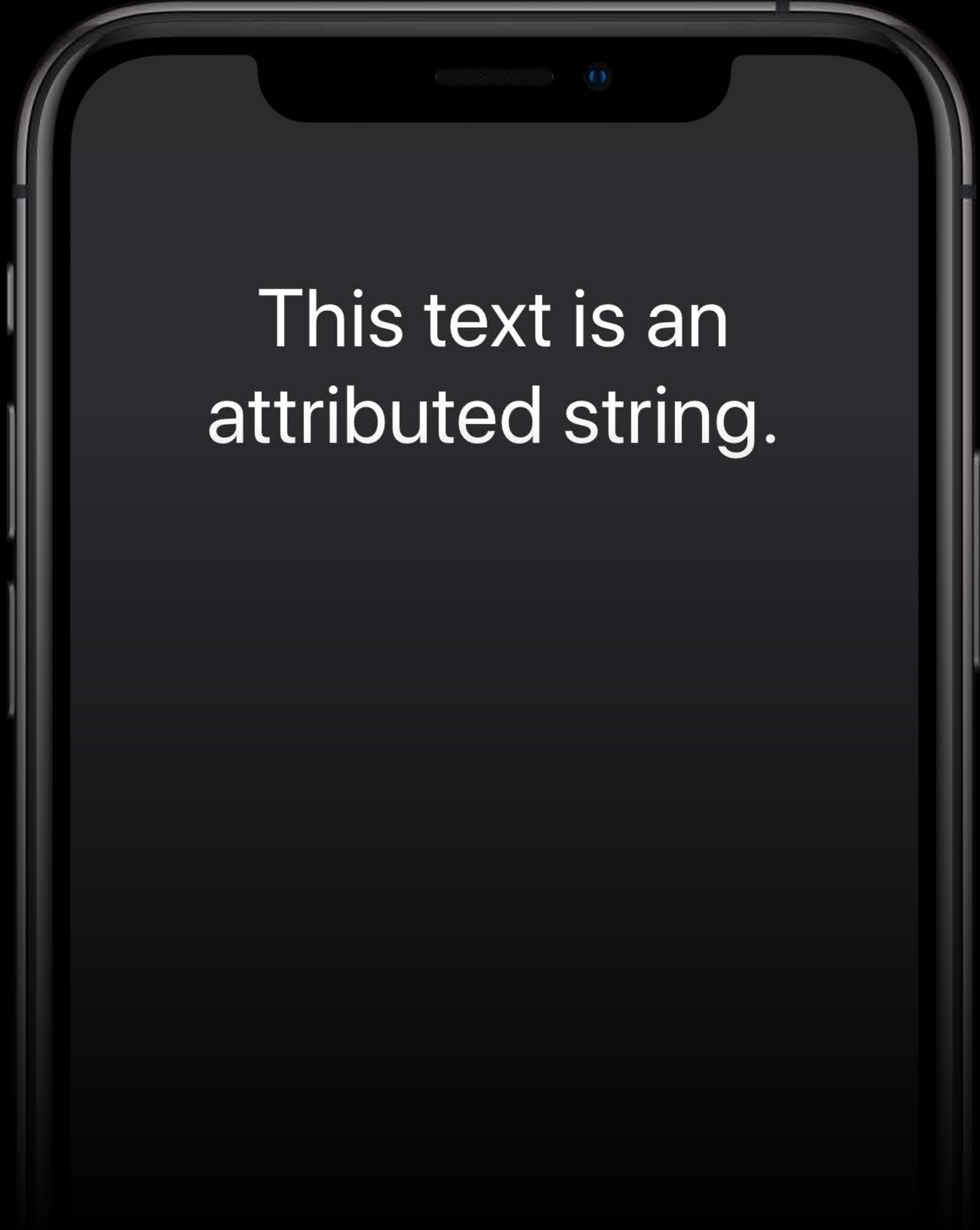
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Web Content

Must opt in to dark mode

Declare supported color schemes with `color-scheme`

Use `prefers-color-scheme` media query for custom colors and images

tvOS

Apps built using tvOS 13 SDK are expected to support dark mode

Most new API is available

iPad Apps for Mac

Same API

Follows system setting

Matches AppKit colors and materials

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Use system colors and materials

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Create your own dynamic colors and images

Leverage flexible infrastructure

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