

Proper Inheritance

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Abstract

All essential behavior of our software must be documented, and yet there are important advantages, with respect to development, verification and testing, performance, and stability, for leaving the behavior for some combinations of inputs and initial conditions undefined. What is and is not defined behavior should therefore be readily discernible from the contract, especially when creating contracts that must span classes related by inheritance.

In this two-part talk, we begin by reviewing components, interfaces and contracts in general, and the significance of *narrow* versus *wide* contracts. In the second part, we go on to explore three kinds of inheritance: (1) **Interface Inheritance** resulting from pure-virtual functions, (2) **Structural Inheritance** resulting from non-virtual functions, and (3) **Implementation Inheritance** resulting from non-pure virtual functions. Proper contracts involving each of these distinct forms have different criteria that must be addressed. The three kinds of inheritance are compared, and their relative utility is explained. What's more, several common uses of inheritance that are provably improper are summarily debunked.

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- It requires attention to numerous **logical** and **physical** rules that govern sound software design.

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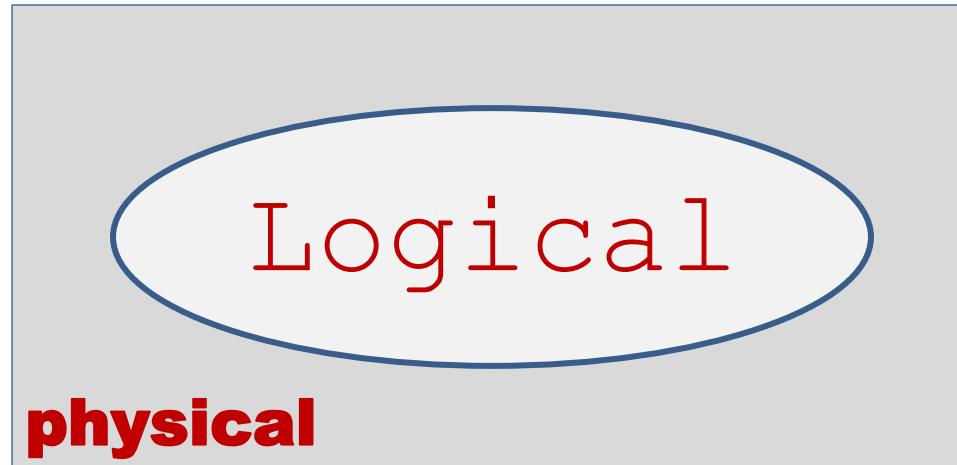
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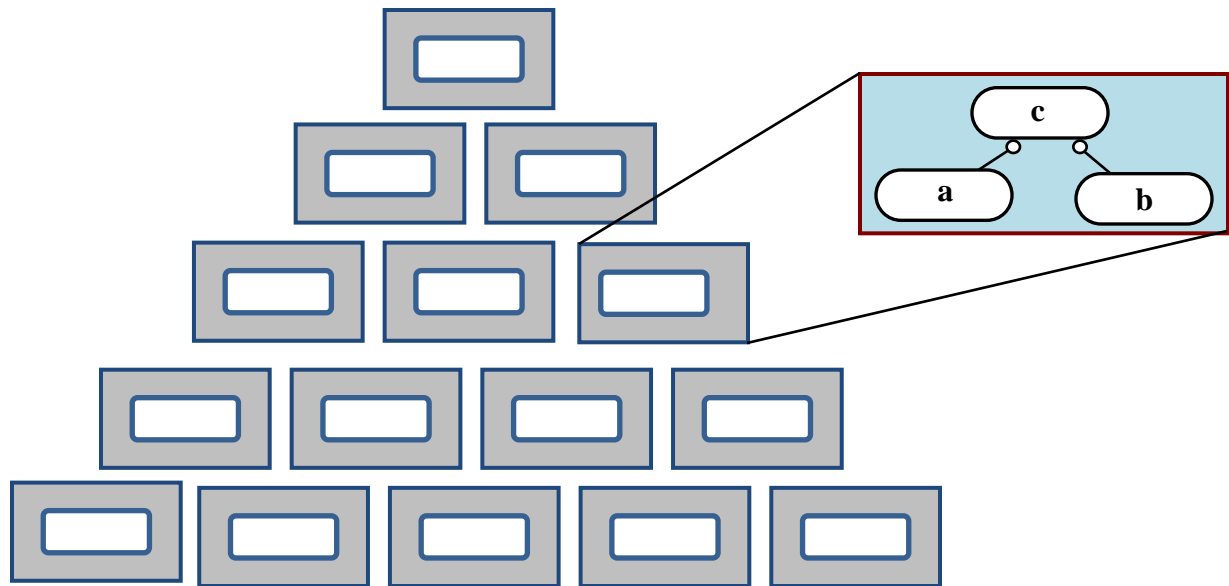
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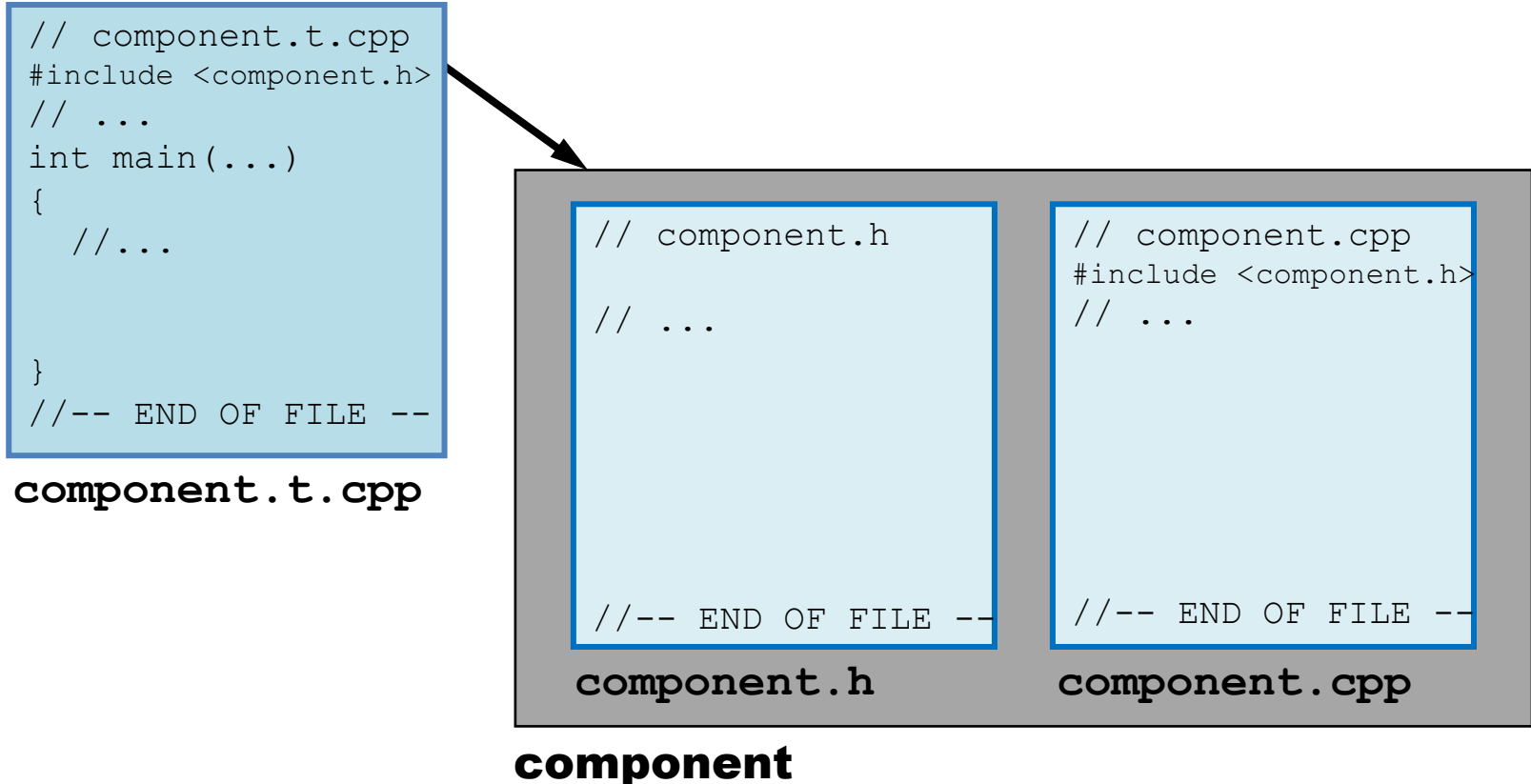
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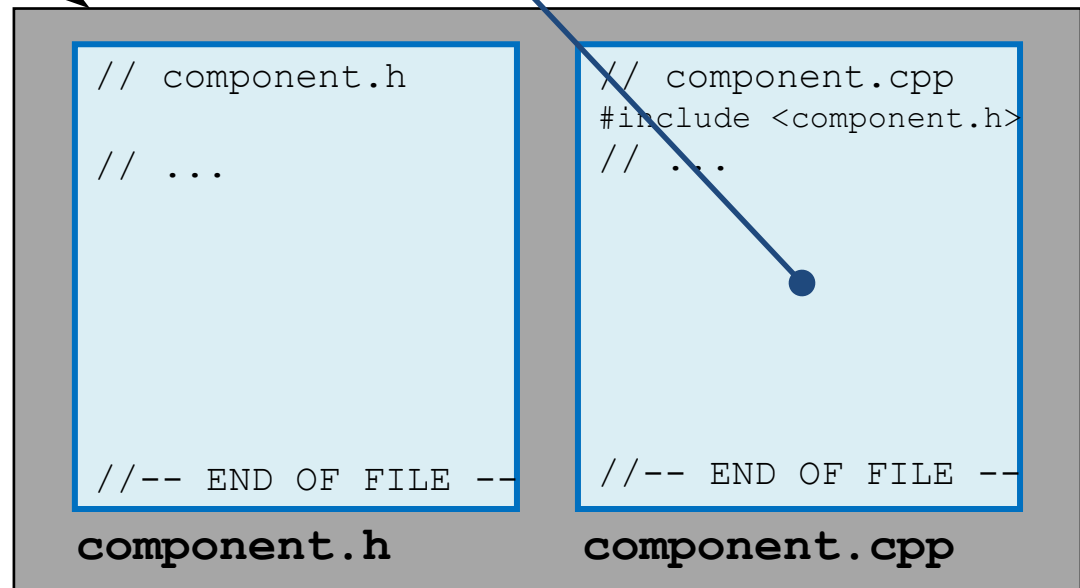
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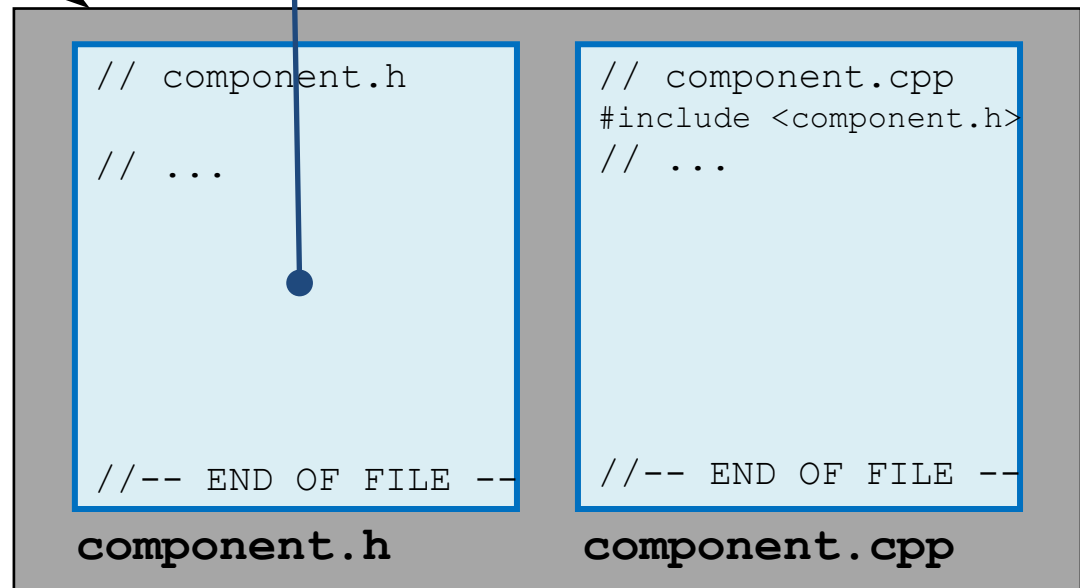
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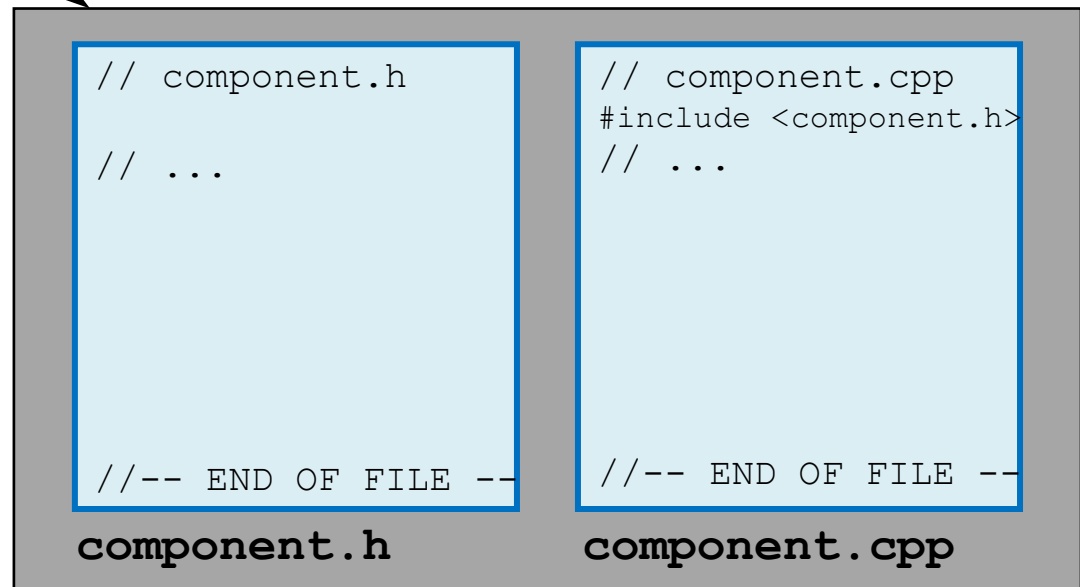
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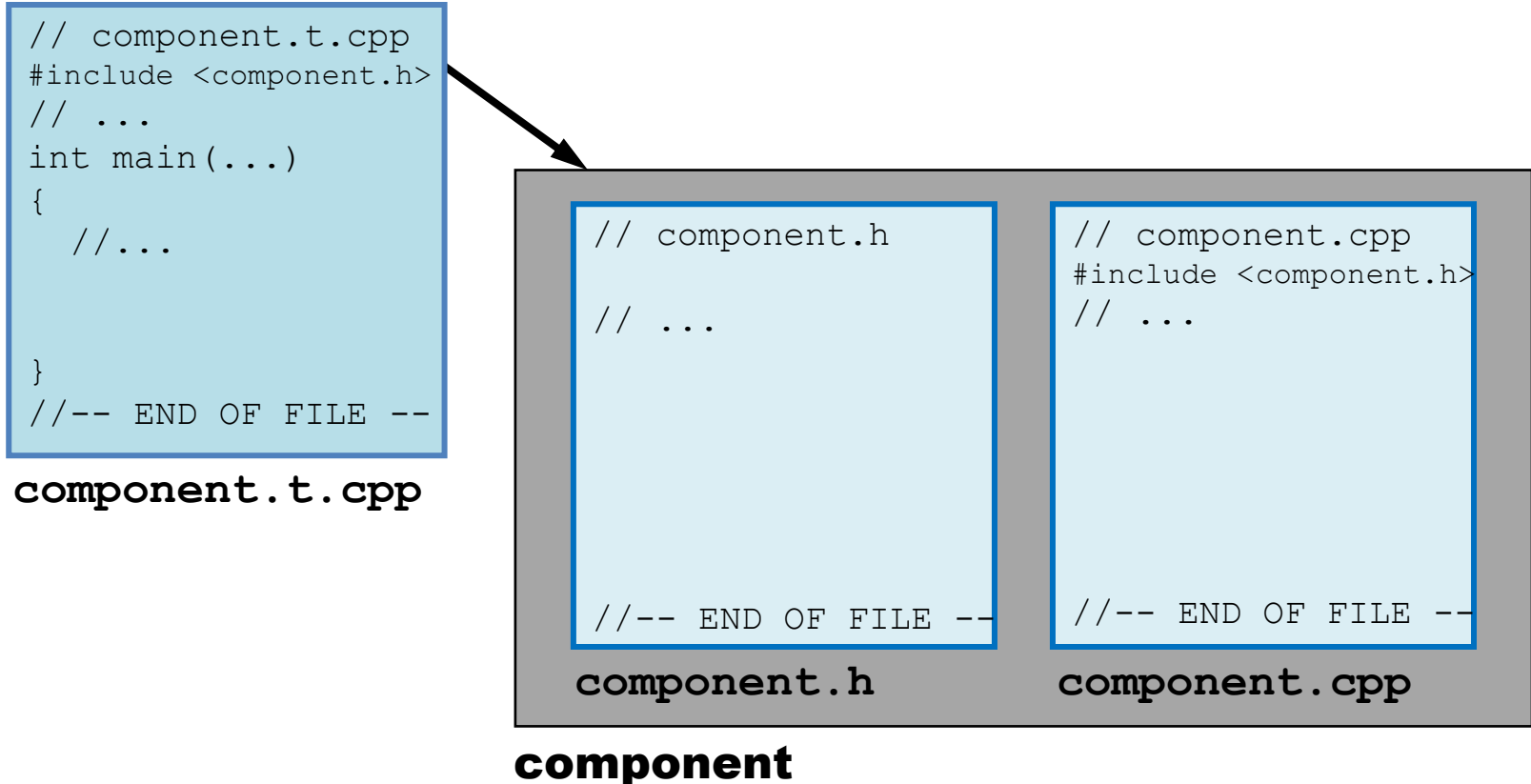


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The Fundamental Unit of Design



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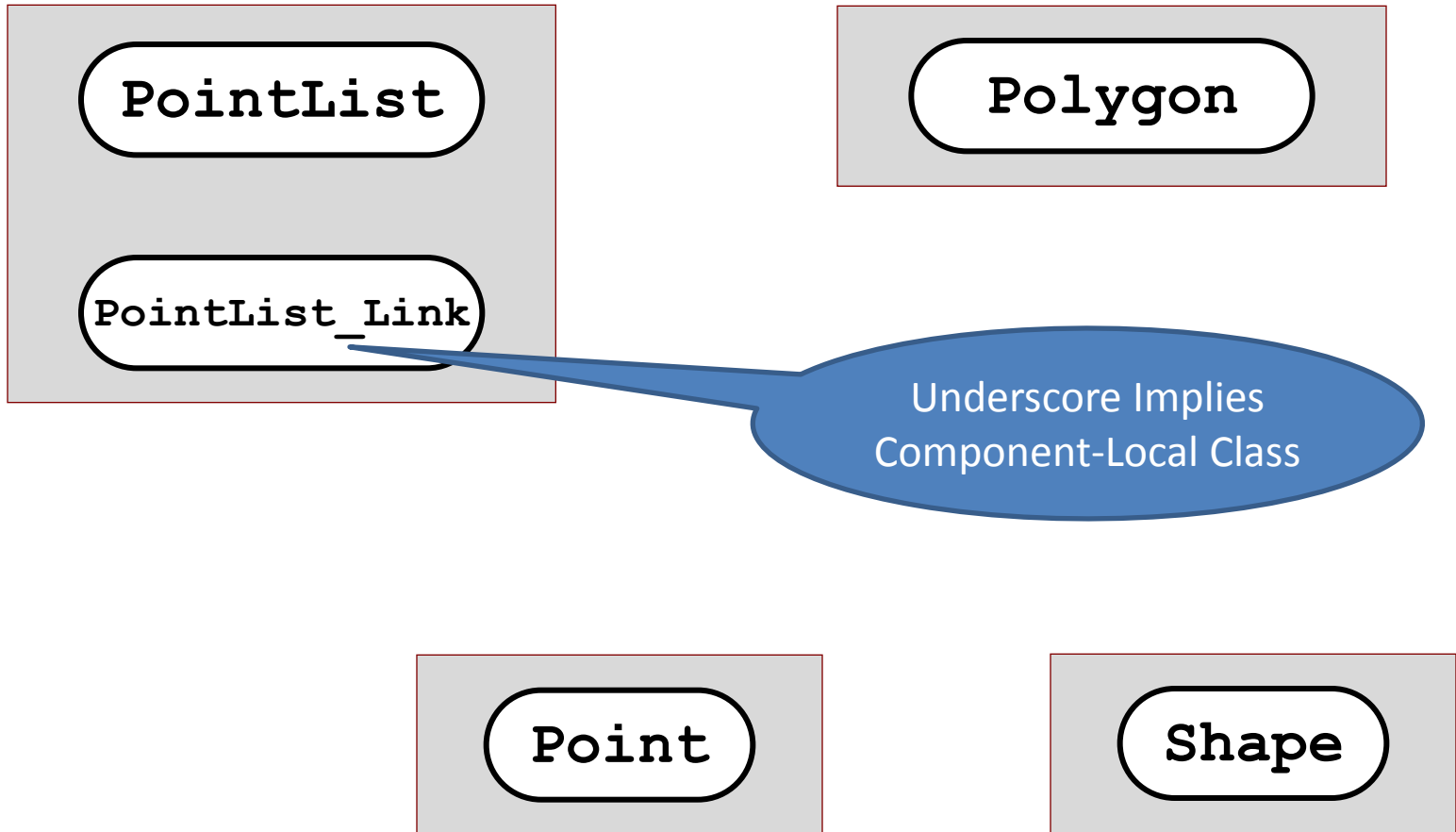
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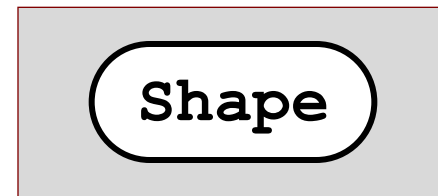
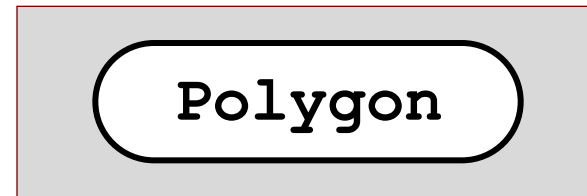
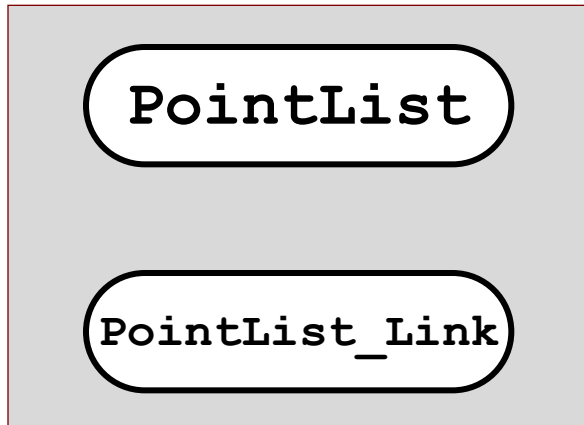
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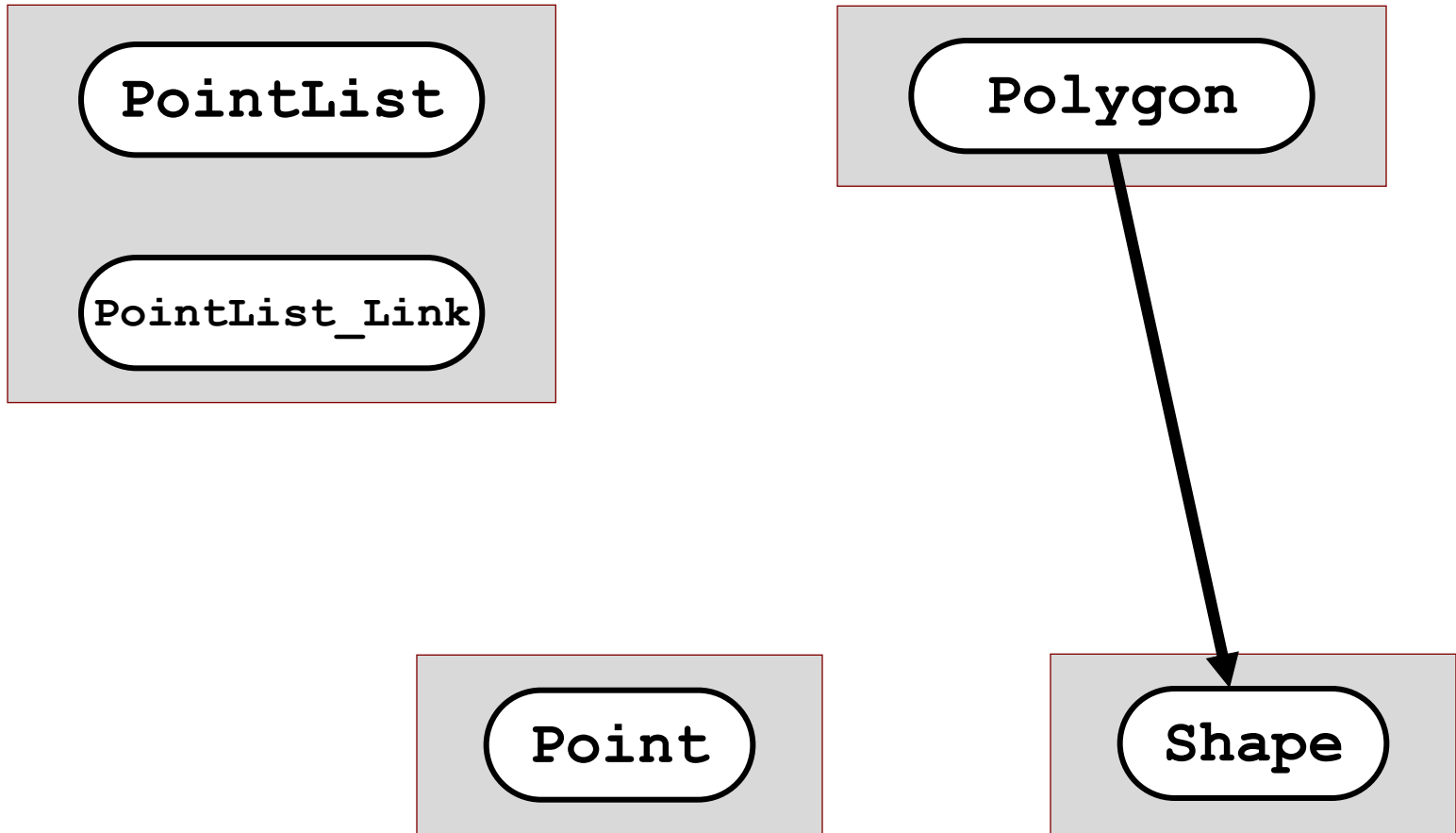
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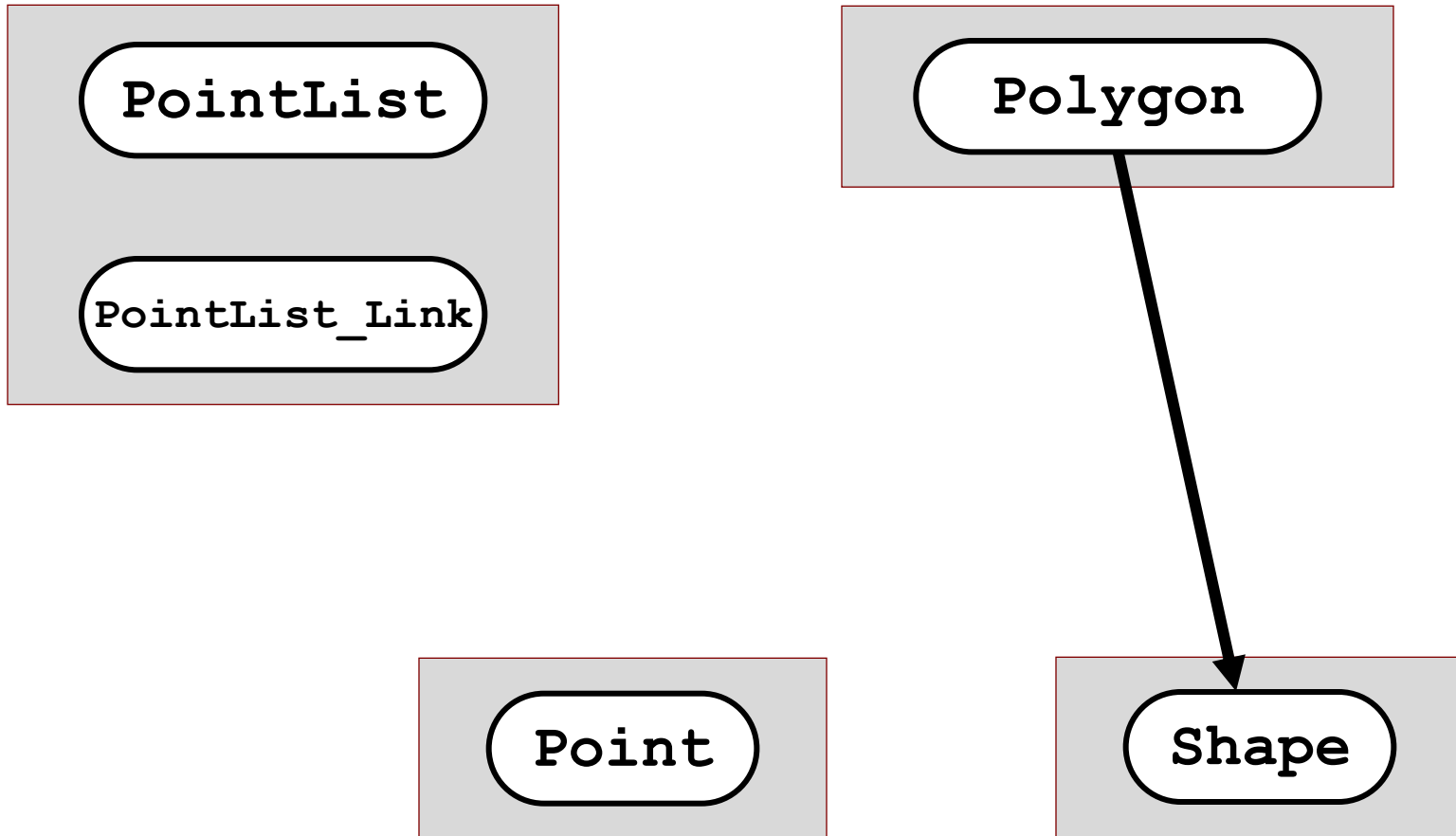
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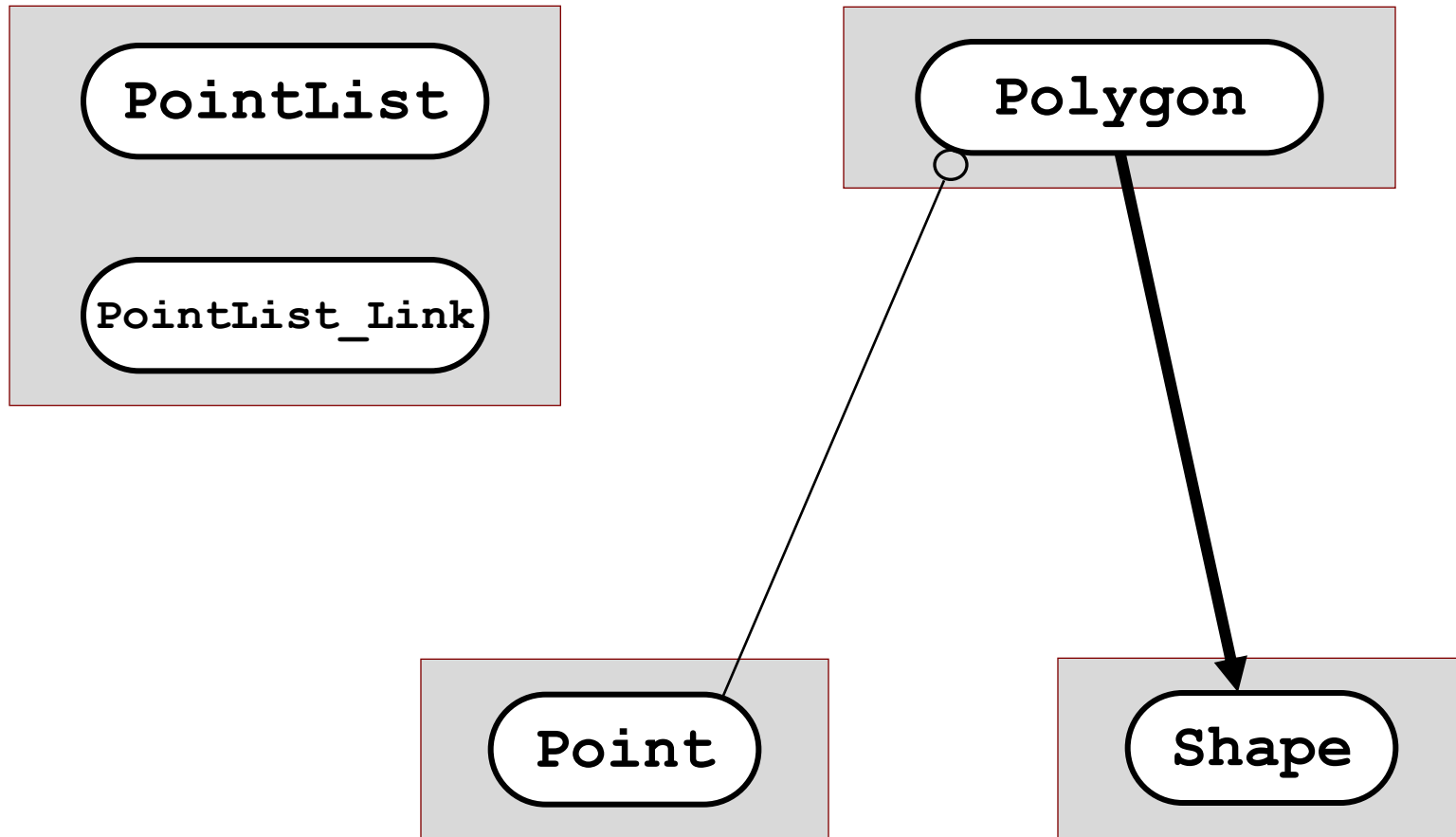


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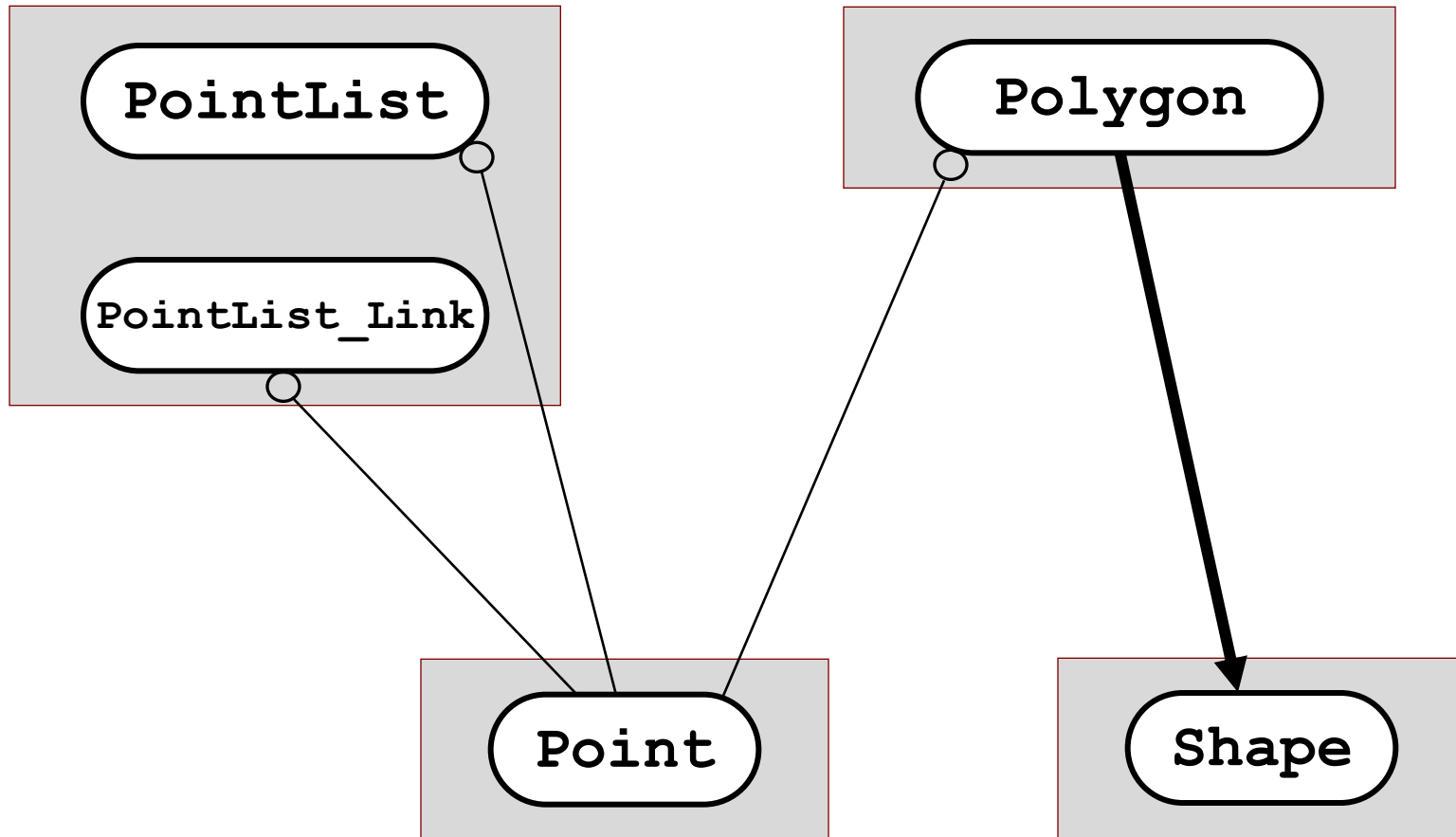


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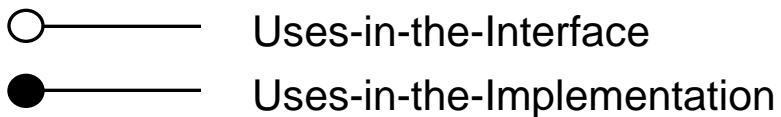
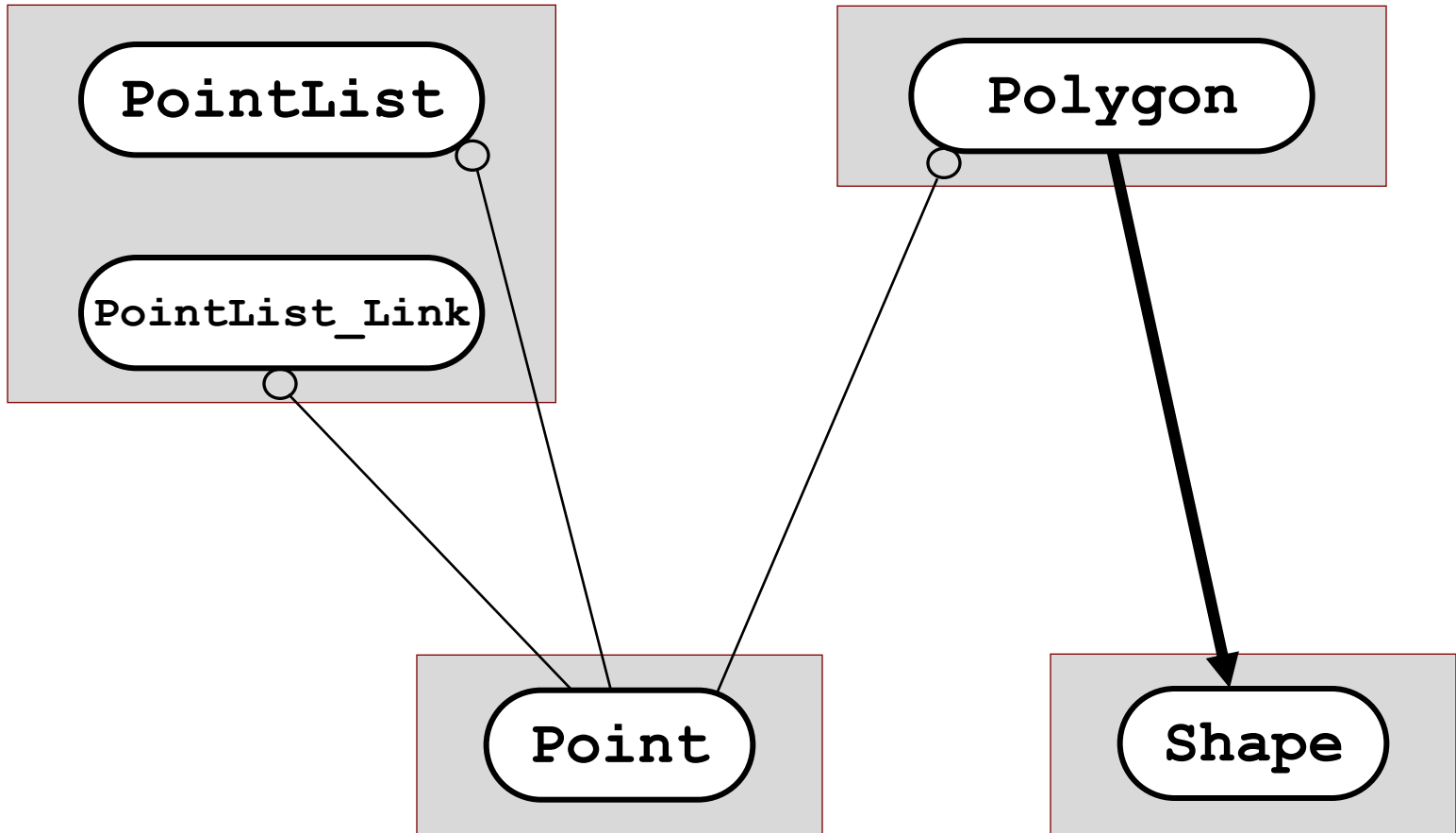


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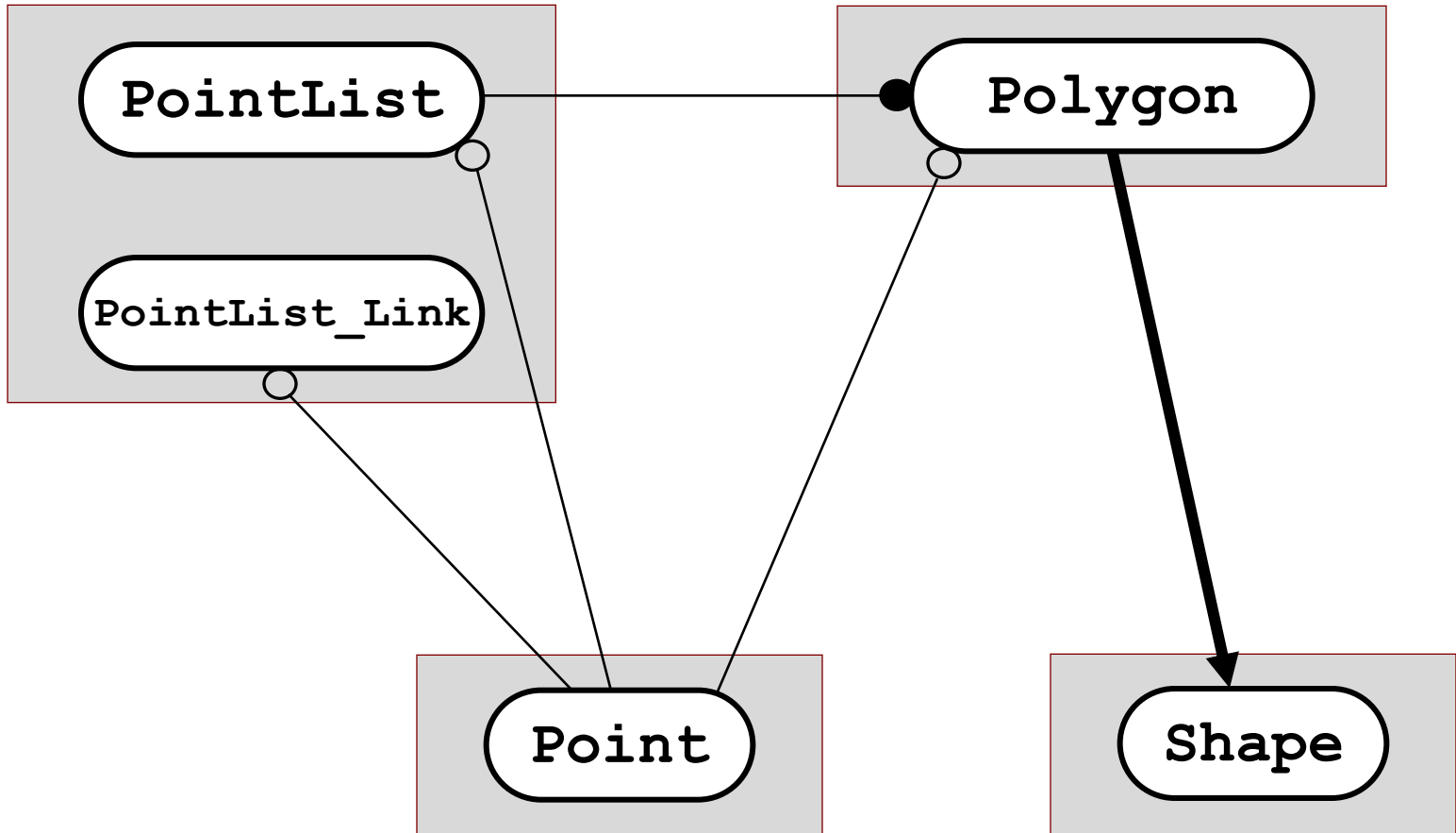
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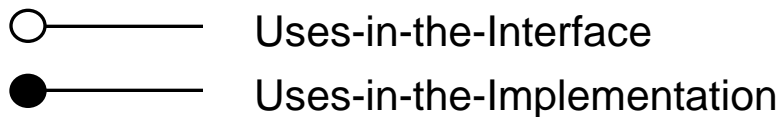
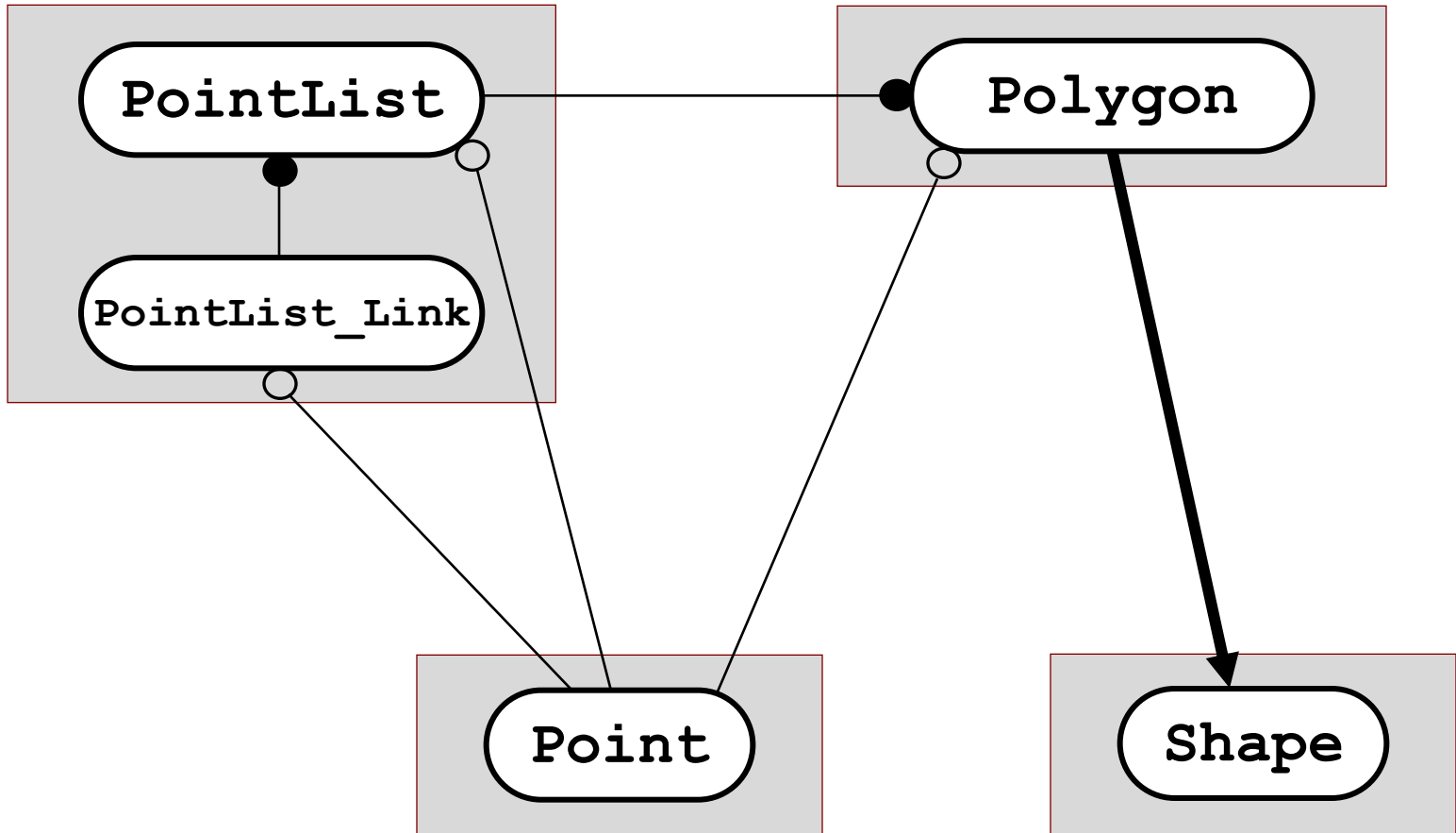
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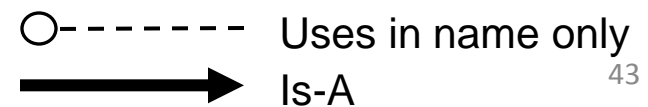
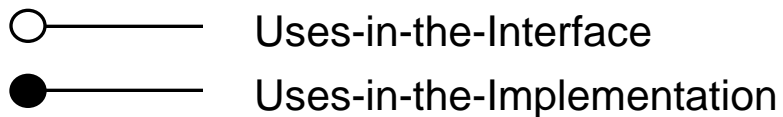
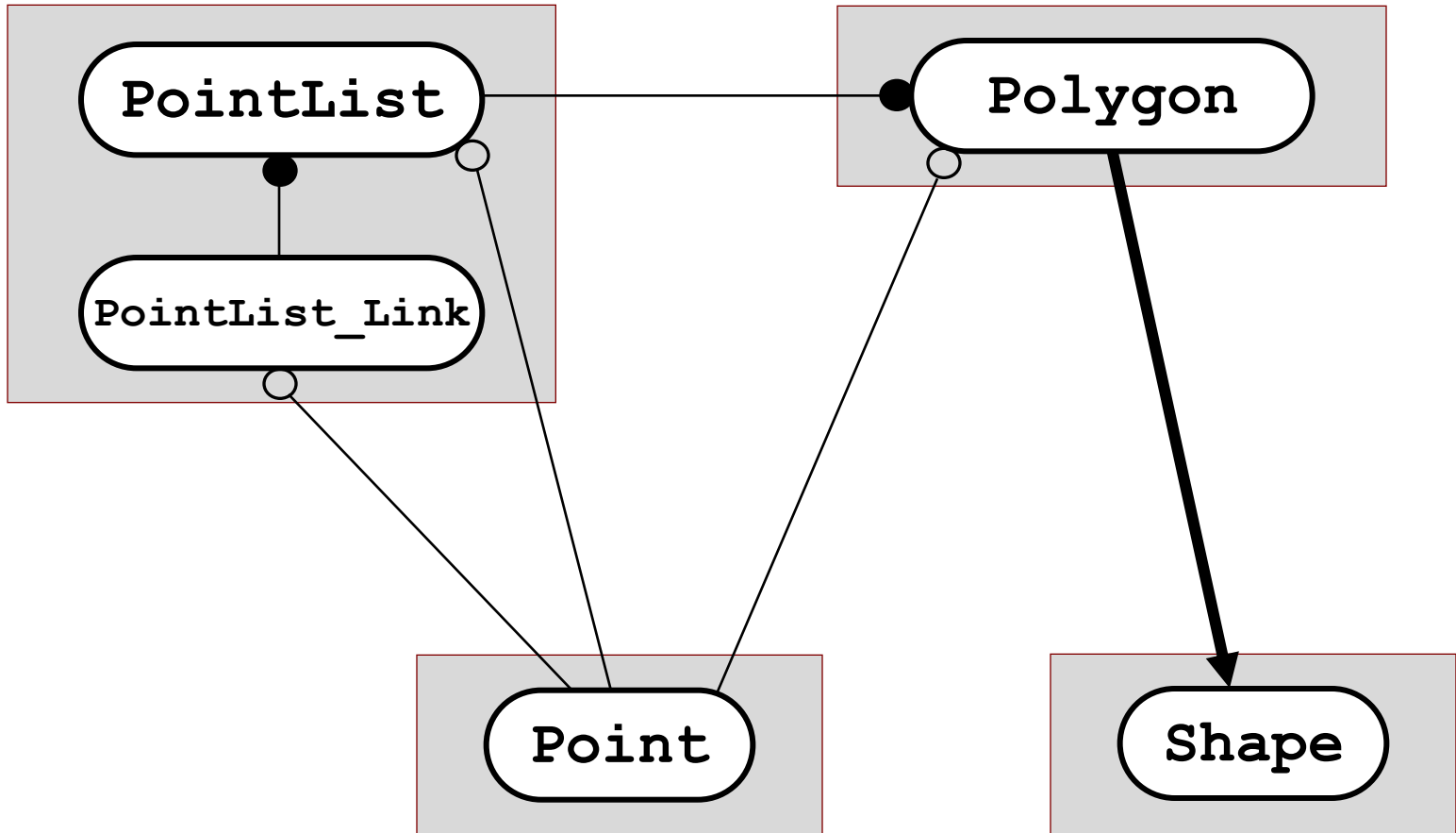
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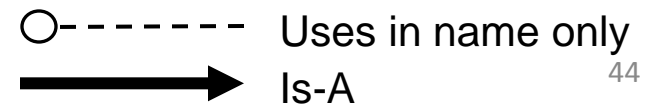
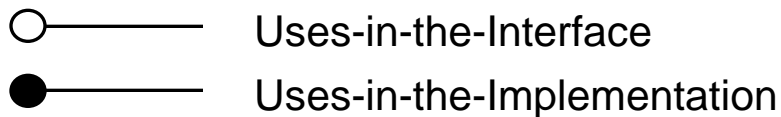
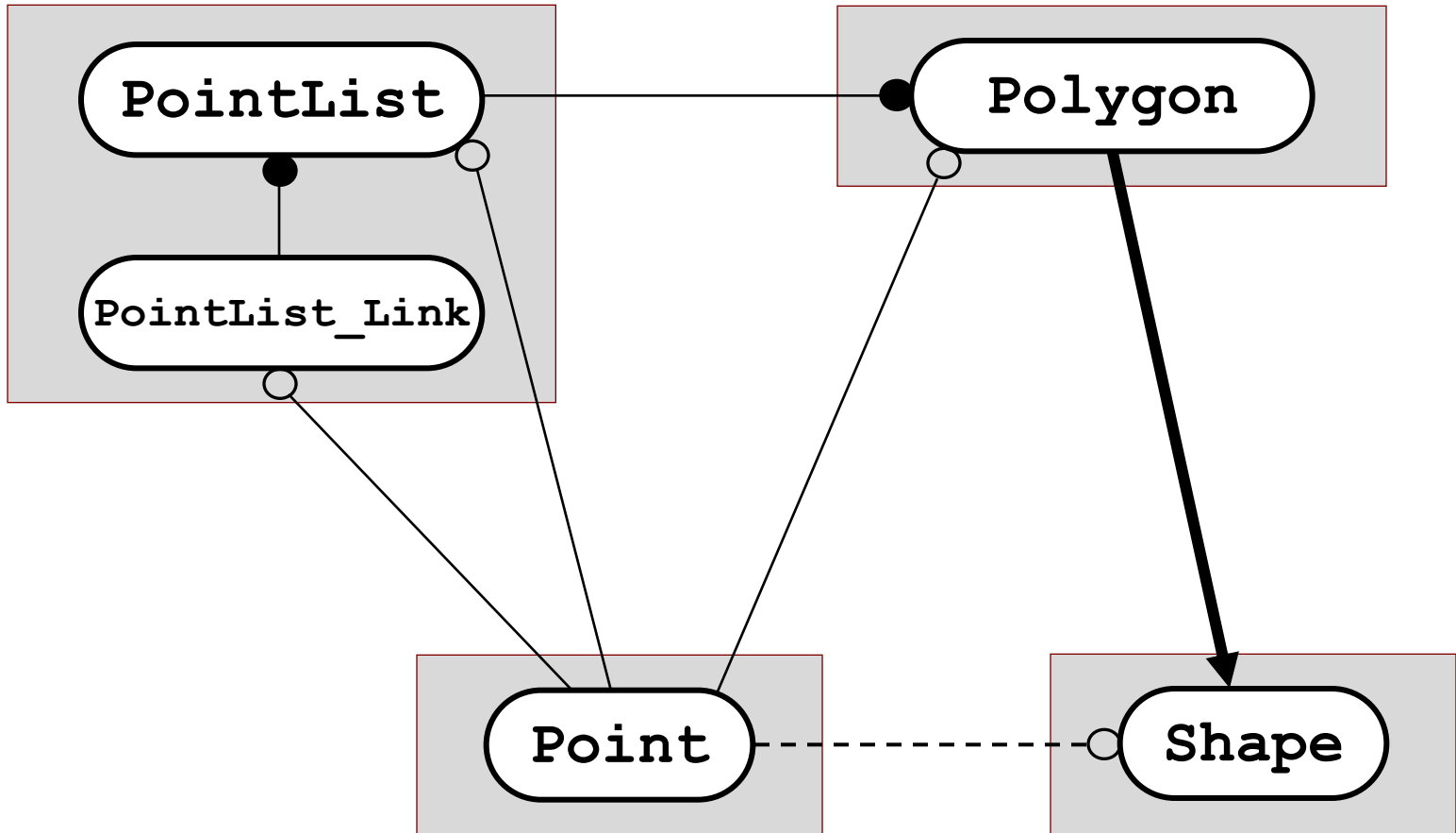
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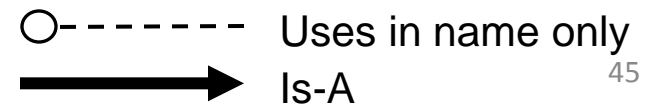
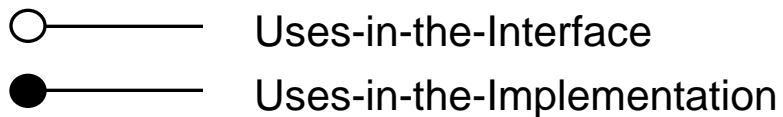
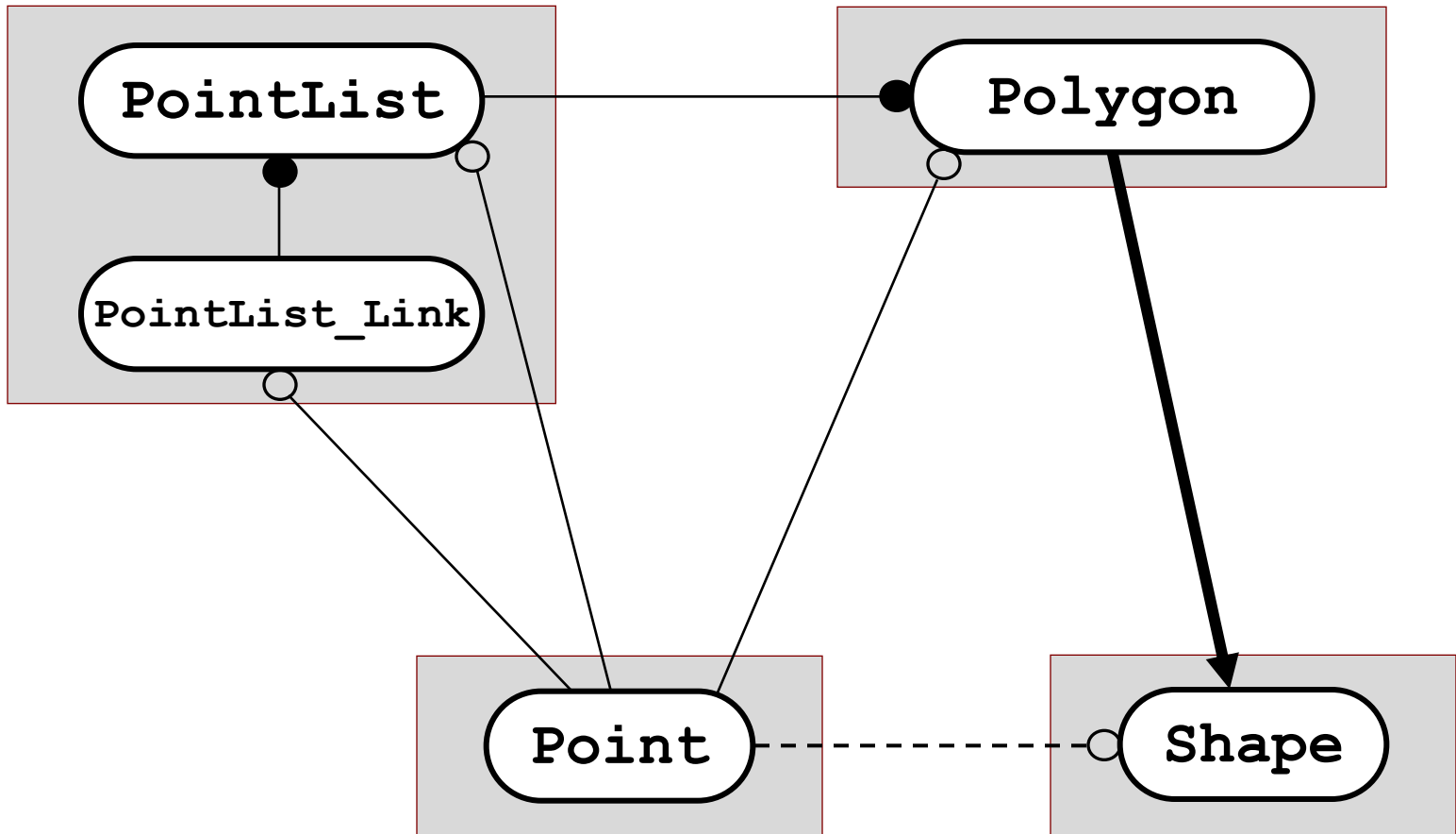
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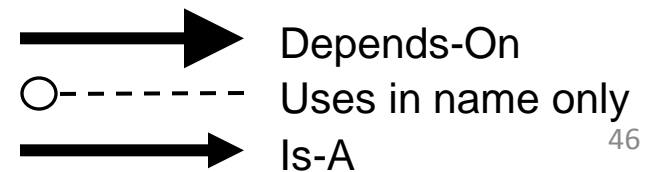
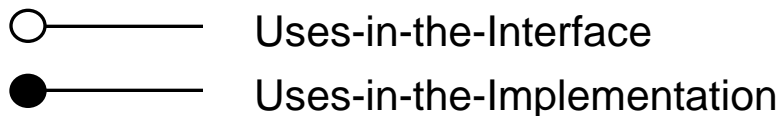
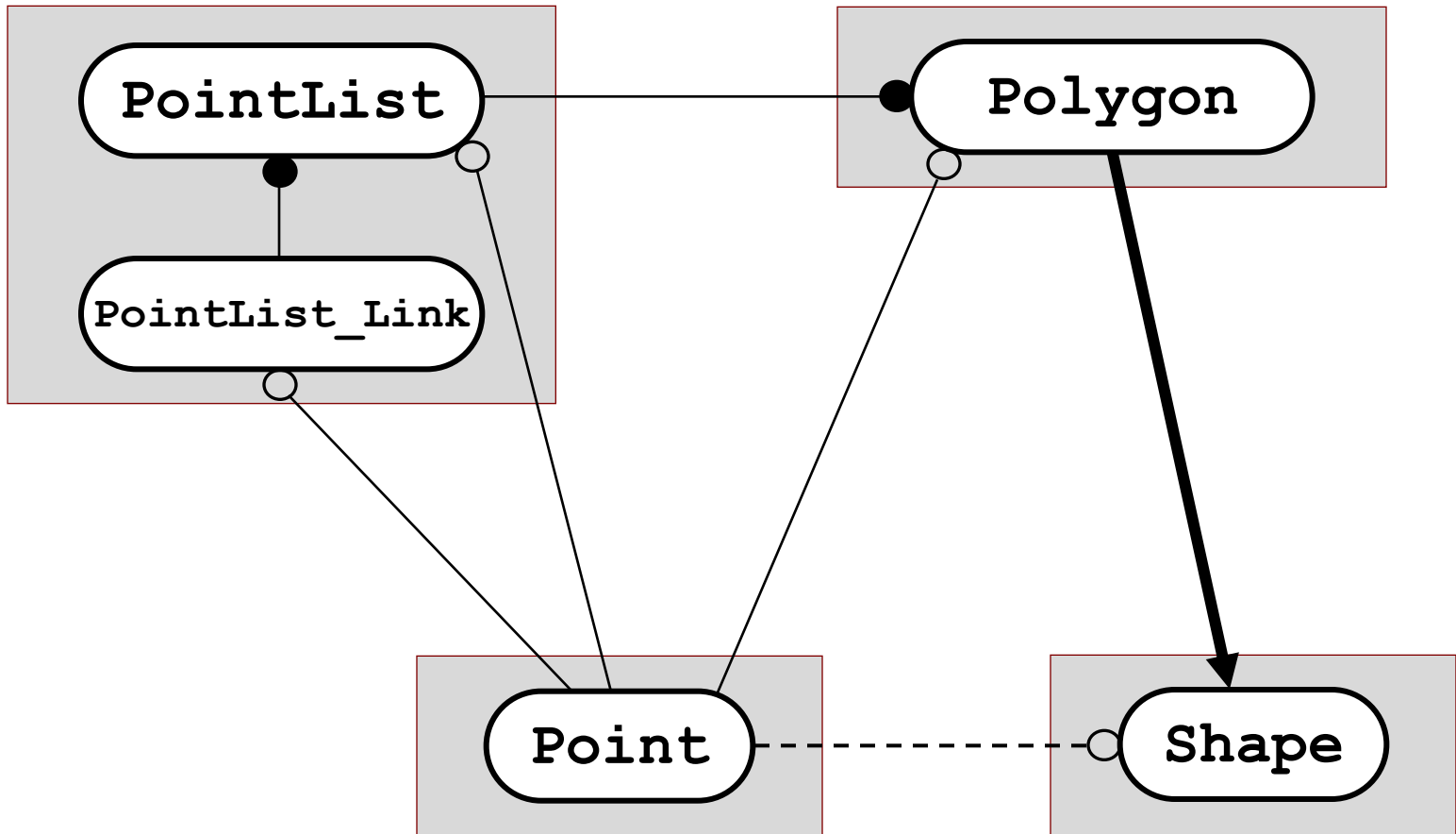
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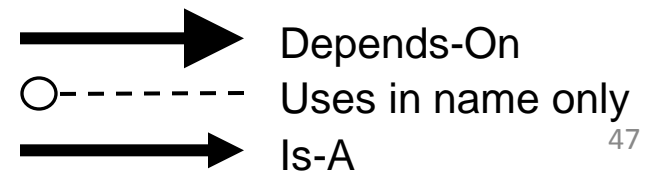
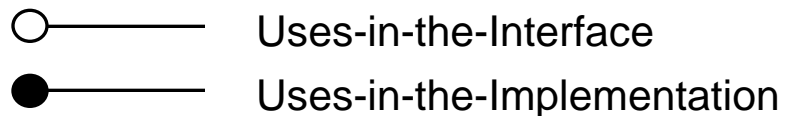
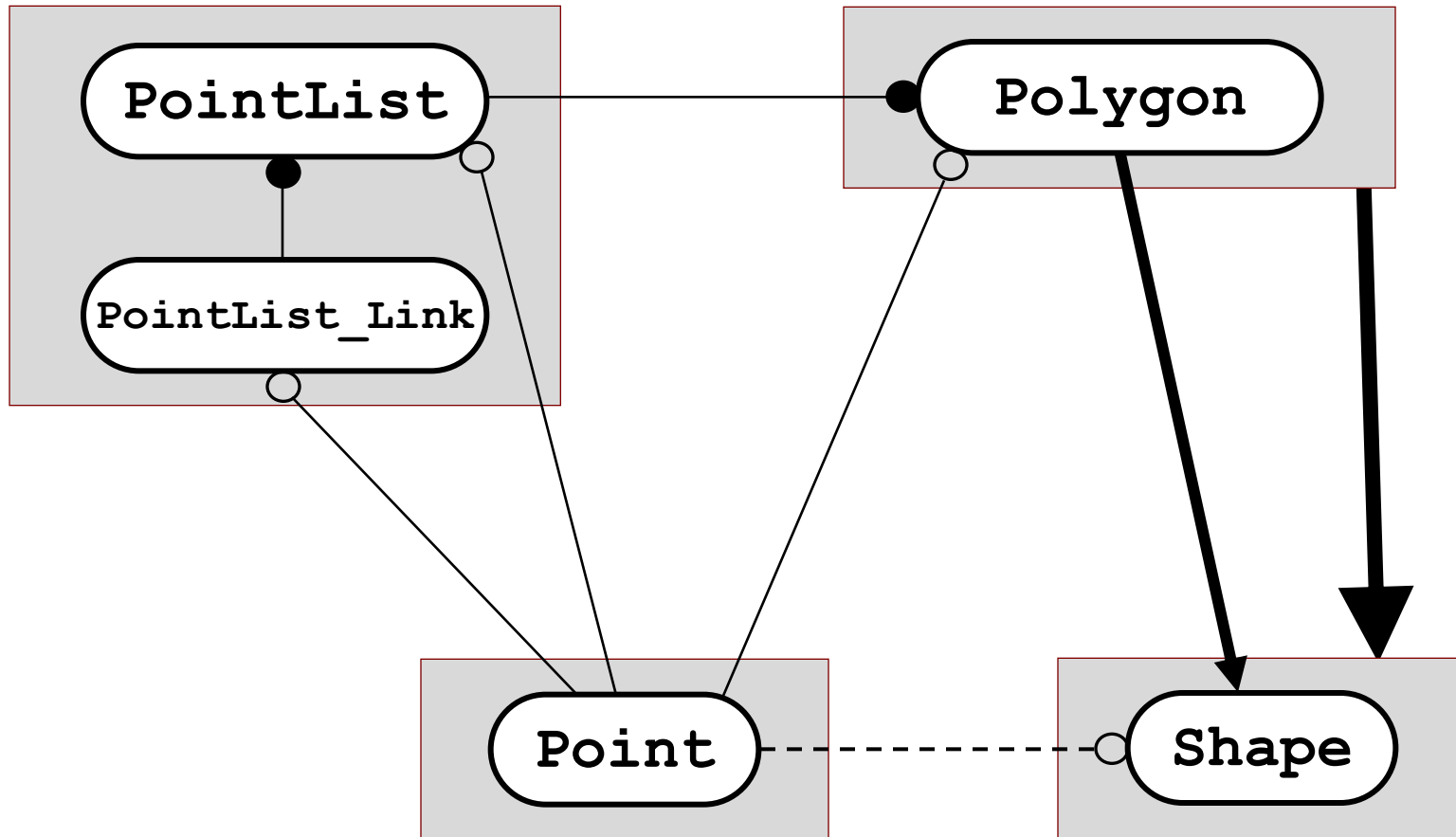
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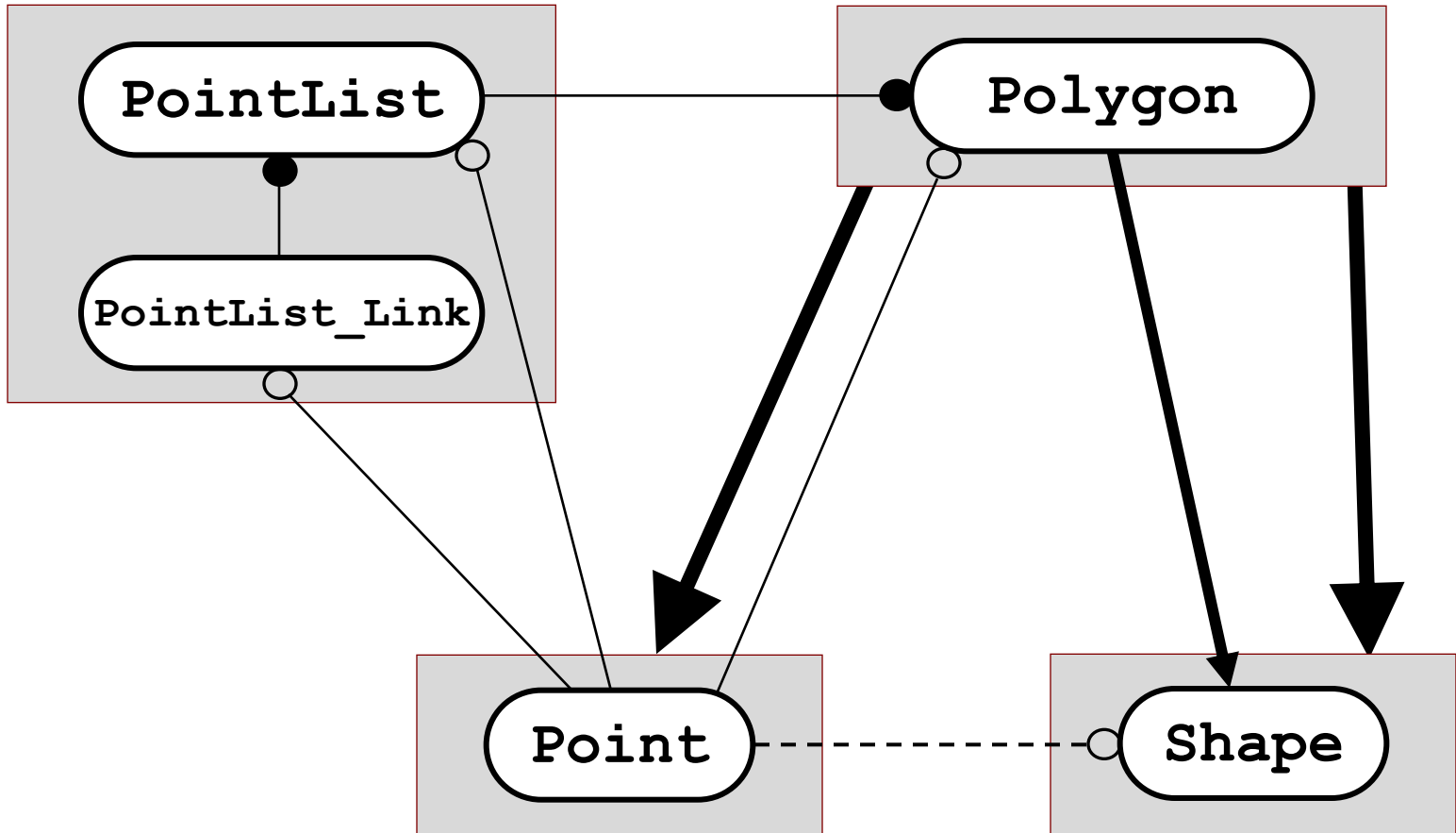
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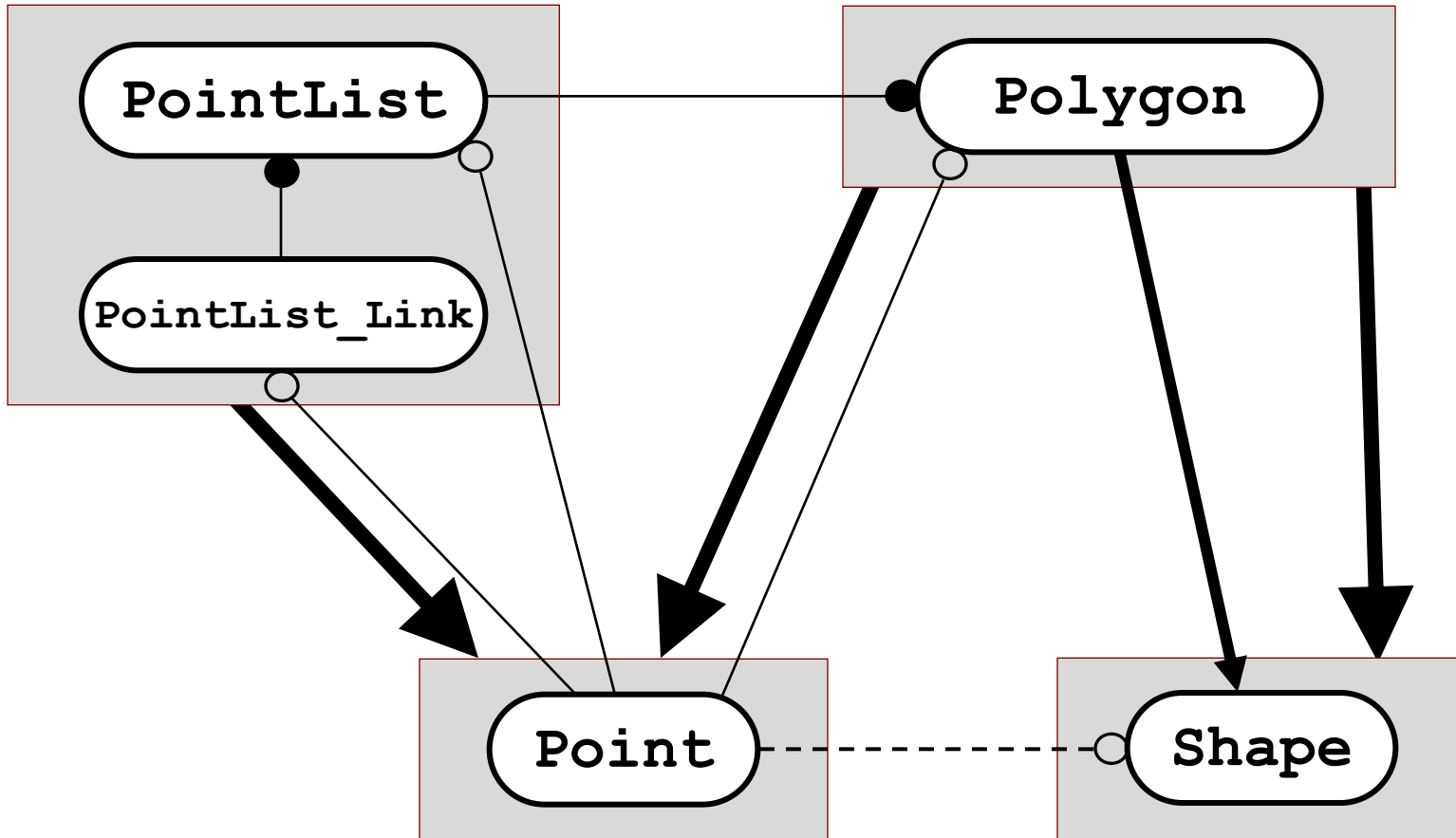


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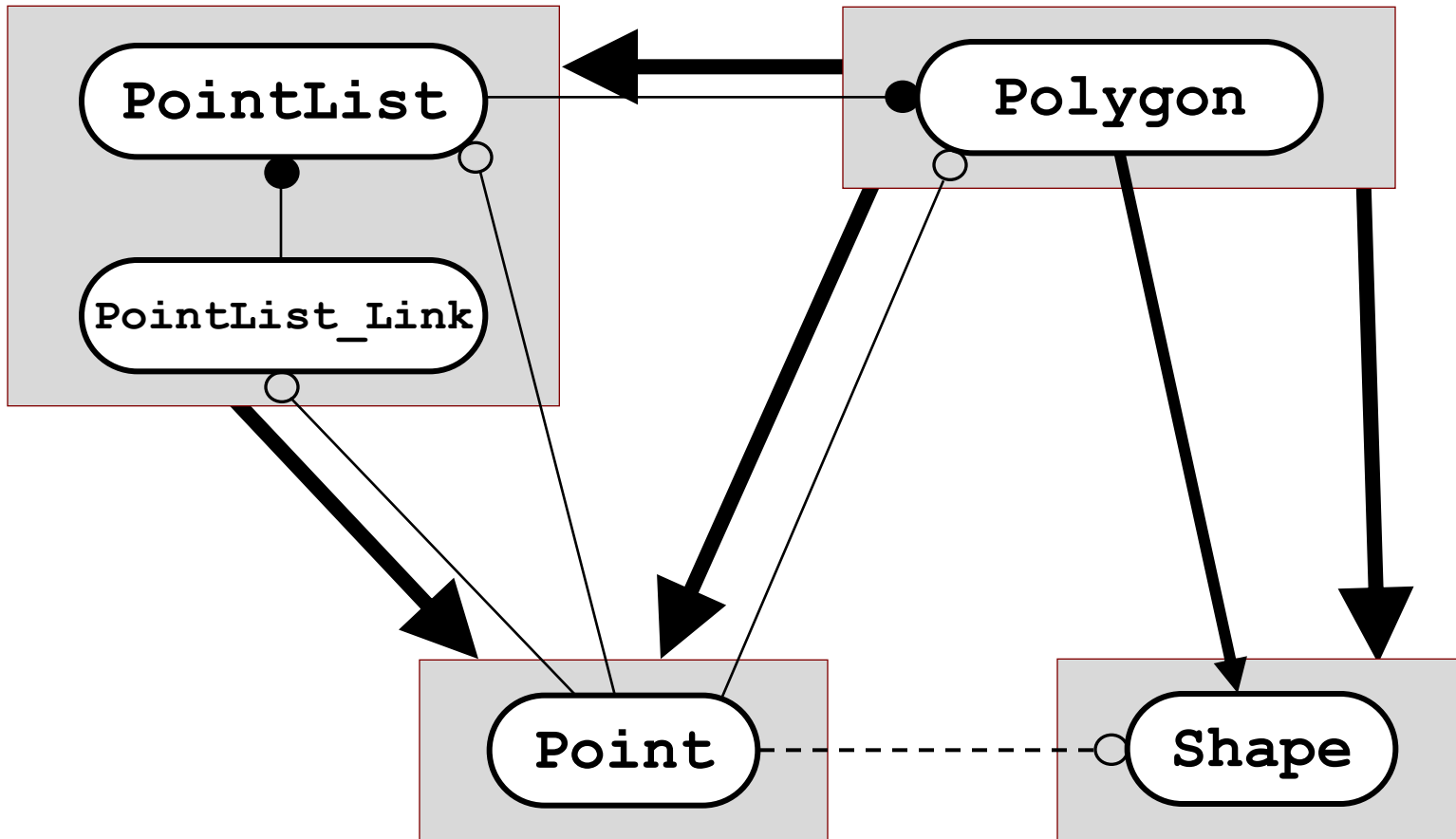


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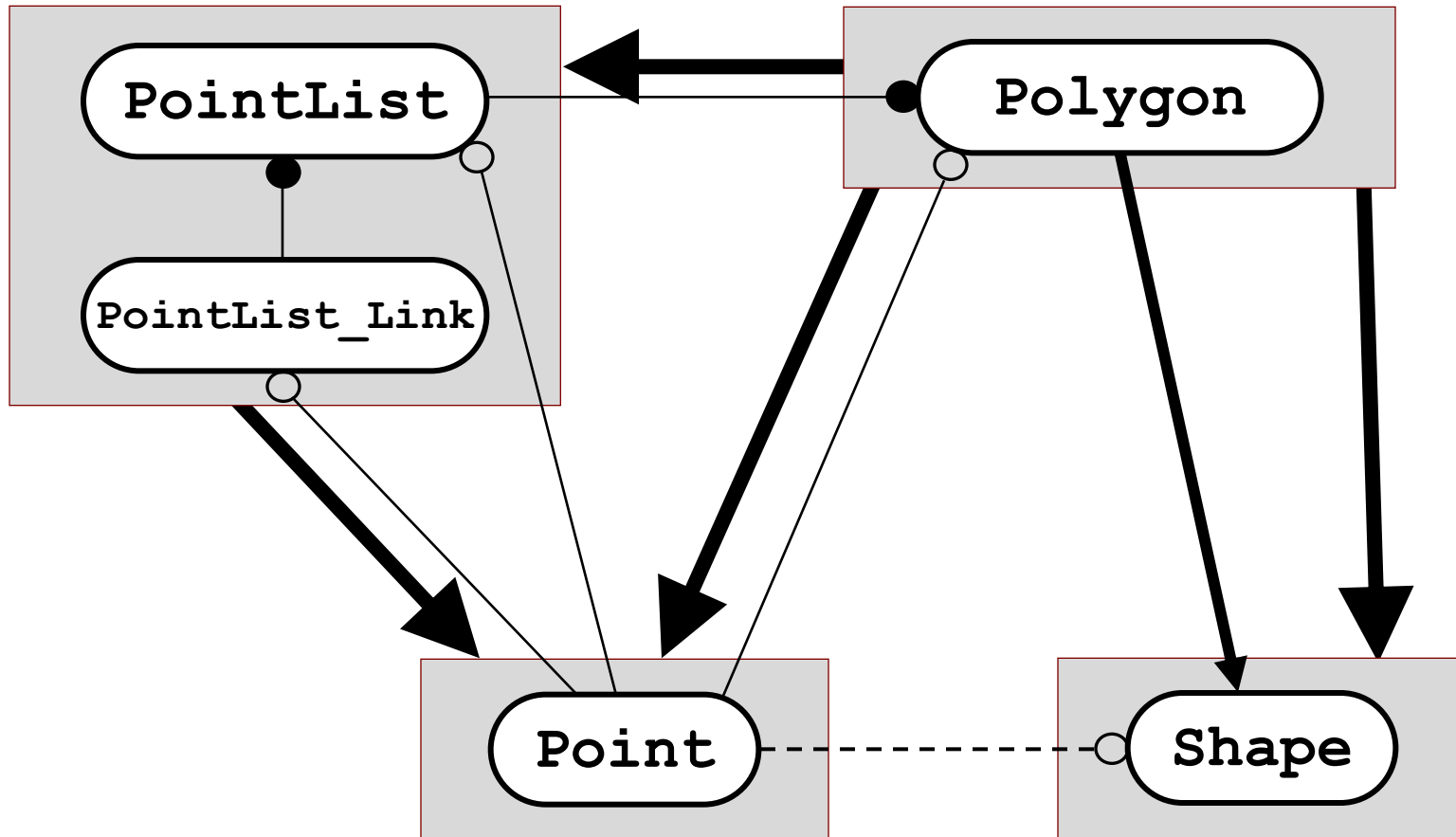


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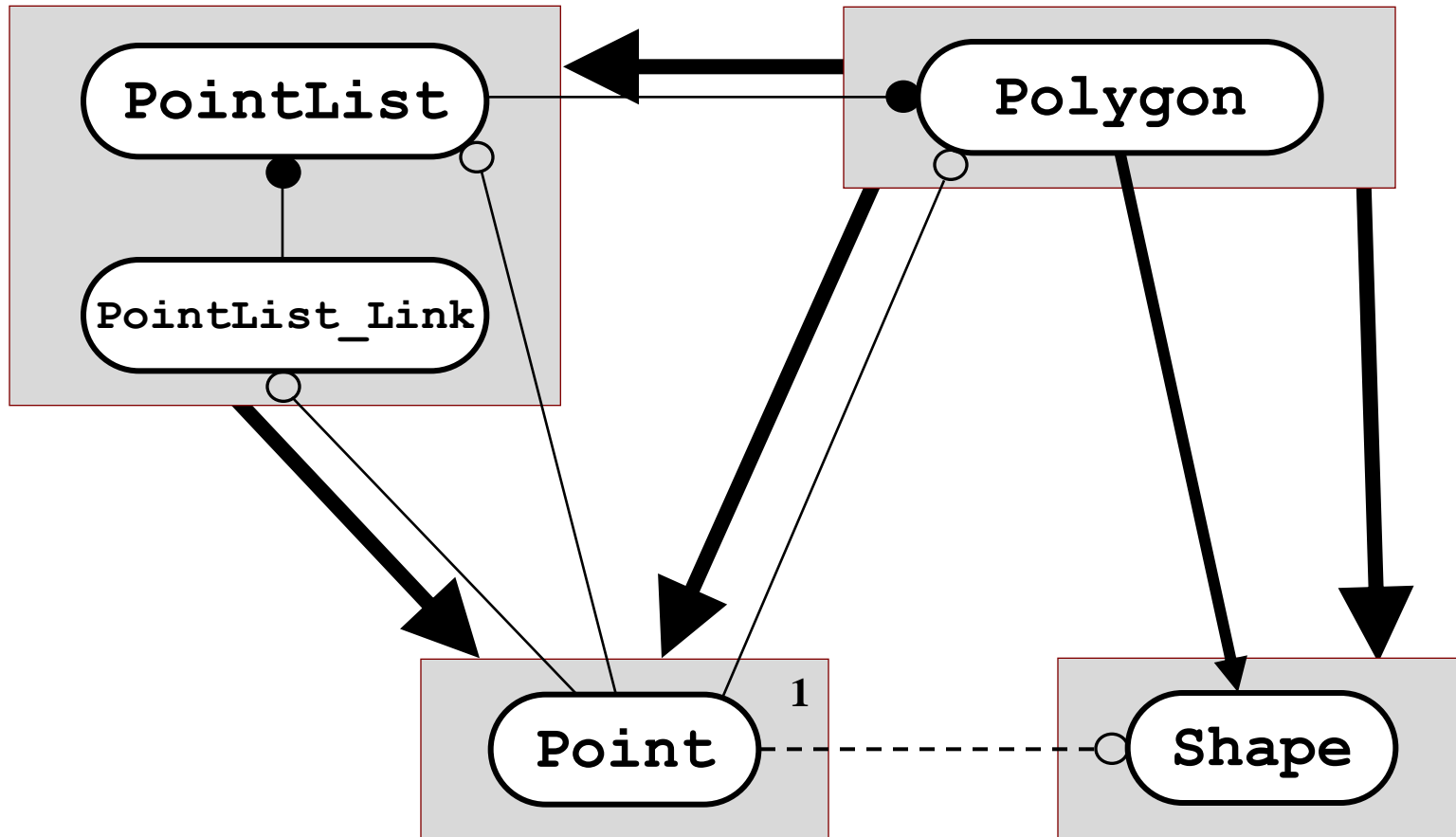


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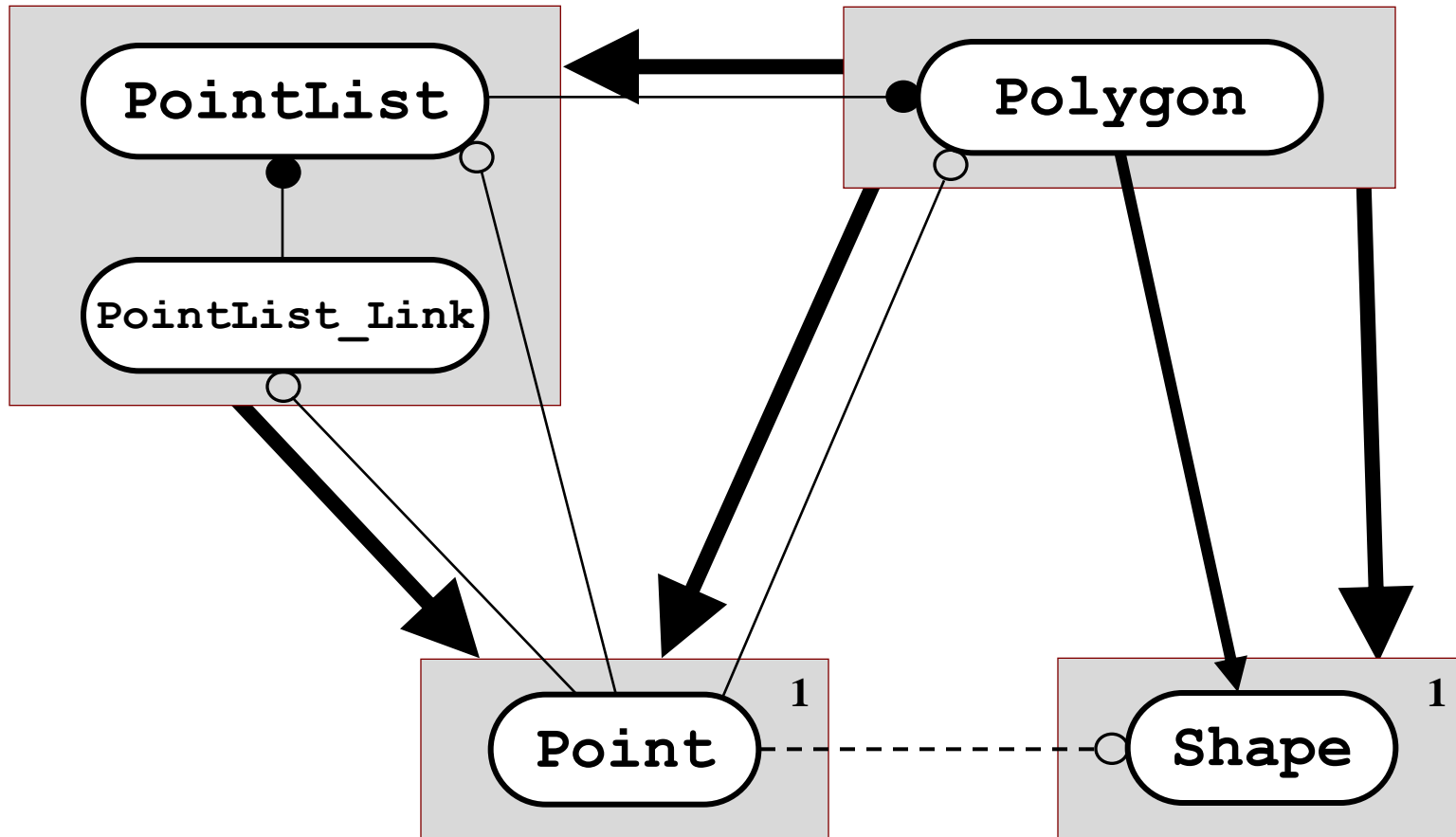


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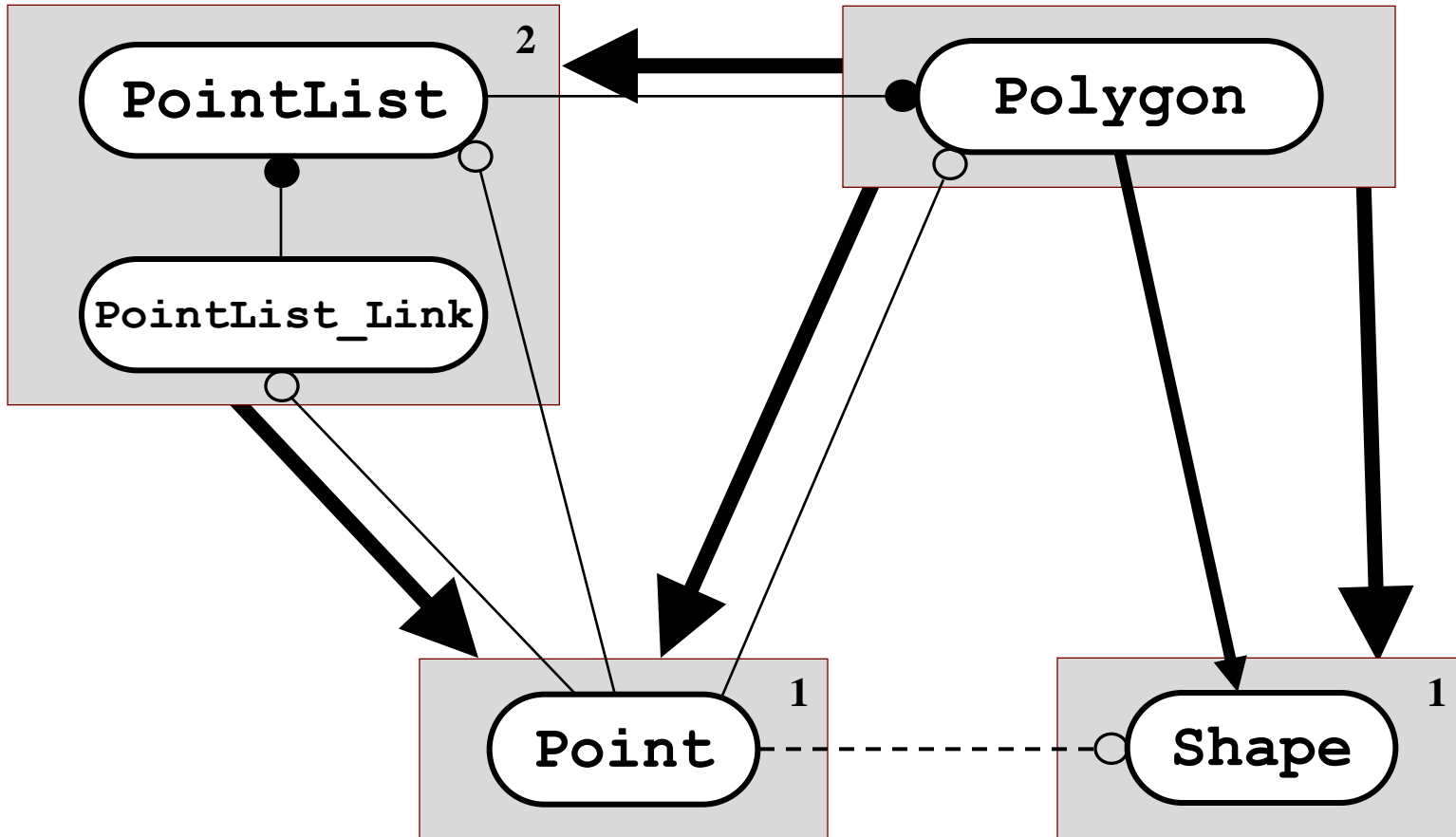


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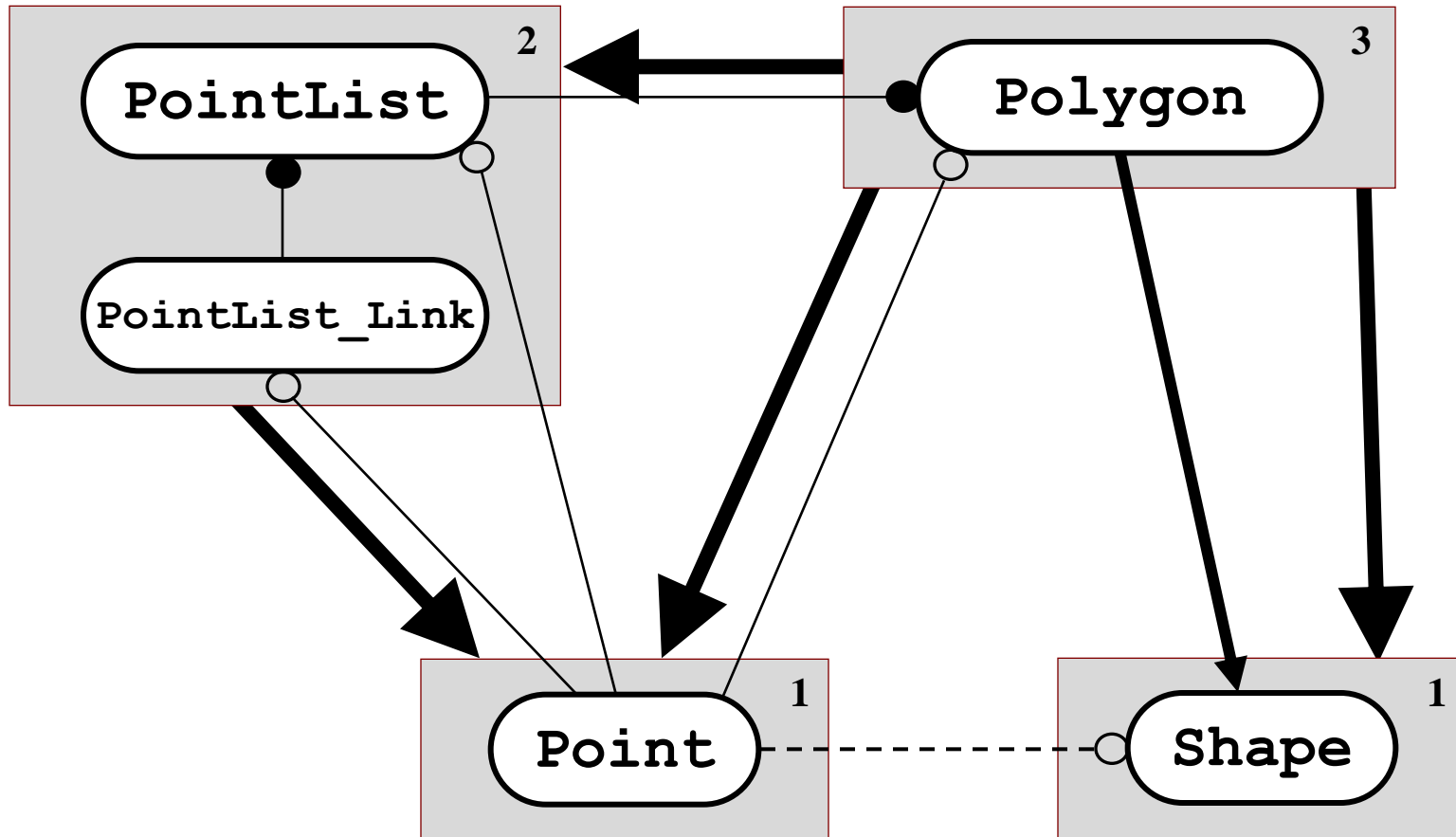


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Questions?

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What Questions are we Answering?

- What distinguishes *Logical* and *Physical* Design?
- What is the first of the (four) fundamental properties of a `.h / .cpp` pair that make it a component?
- Which of these fundamental properties helps us extract physical dependencies efficiently? Extra credit: Why? How?
- What are the (four) logical-relationship annotations?
- Which logical relationship does not imply a physical one?
- How do we infer physical relationships (*Depends-On*) from logical ones?
- What do we mean by the term *level number*?
- What are the (two) *quintessential* physical design rules?

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What do we mean by *Interface* versus *Contract* for

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- *A Class?*
- *A Component?*

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// suppress indentation of the first line. If 'spacesPerLevel' is  
// negative, format the entire output on one line, suppressing all but  
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2. Interfaces and Contracts (review)

Interfaces and Contracts

Class

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Interfaces and Contracts

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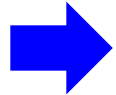
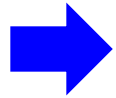
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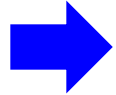
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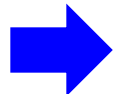
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“Public”
Interface

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Interfaces and Contracts

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Preconditions and Postconditions

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For a Stateless Function:

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Preconditions and Postconditions

Object Method

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Preconditions and Postconditions

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Preconditions and Postconditions

Object Method

*a.k.a.
Essential
Behavior*

➤ Preconditions: What must be true of both (object) and input if the method is to be executed otherwise.

➤ Postconditions: What must happen as a function of (object) state and input if all Preconditions are satisfied.

Note that **Essential Behavior** refers to a superset of **Postconditions** that includes behavioral guarantees, such as runtime complexity.

a.k.a.
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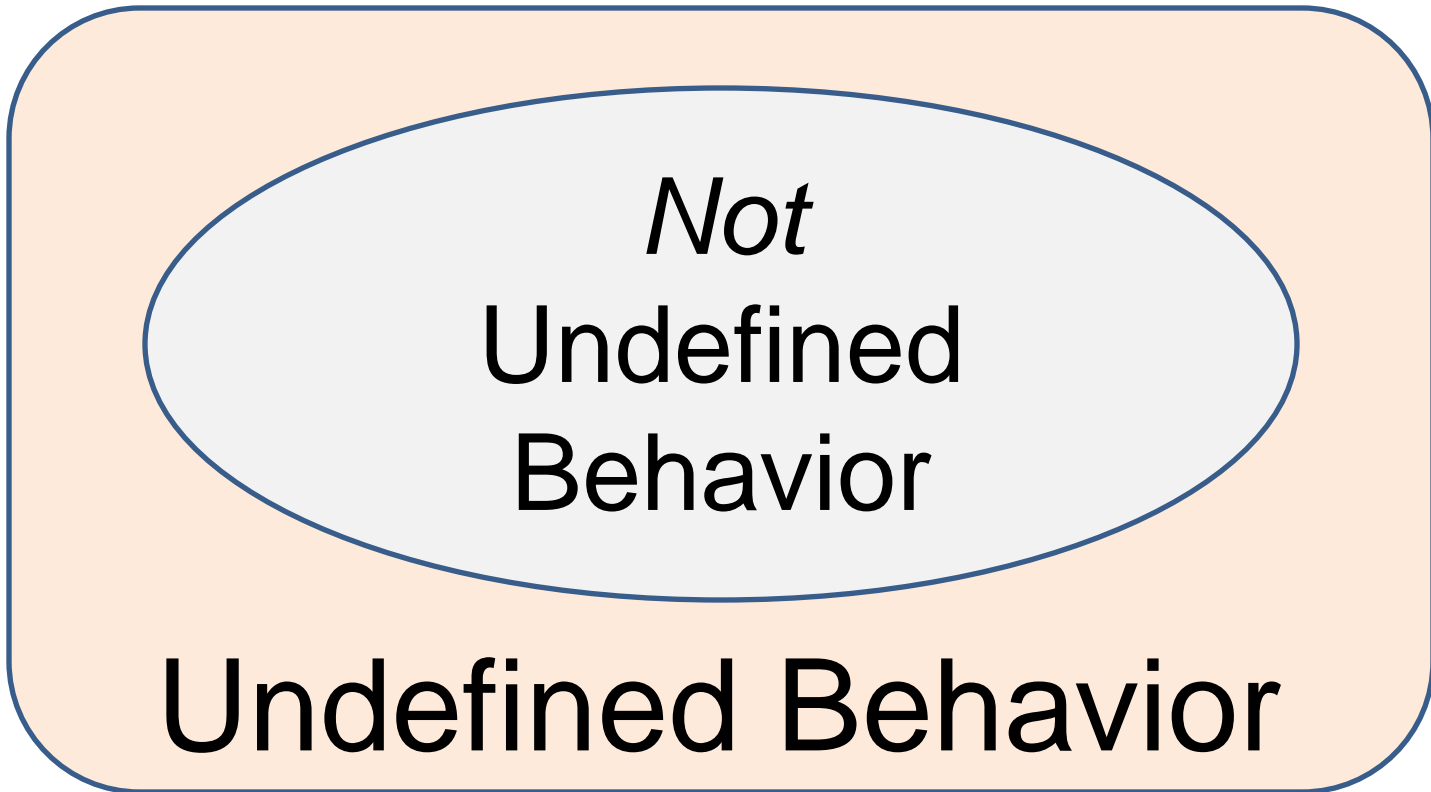
- Precondition: What must be true of both (object) state and method inputs otherwise the method is not allowed.
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Preconditions and Postconditions

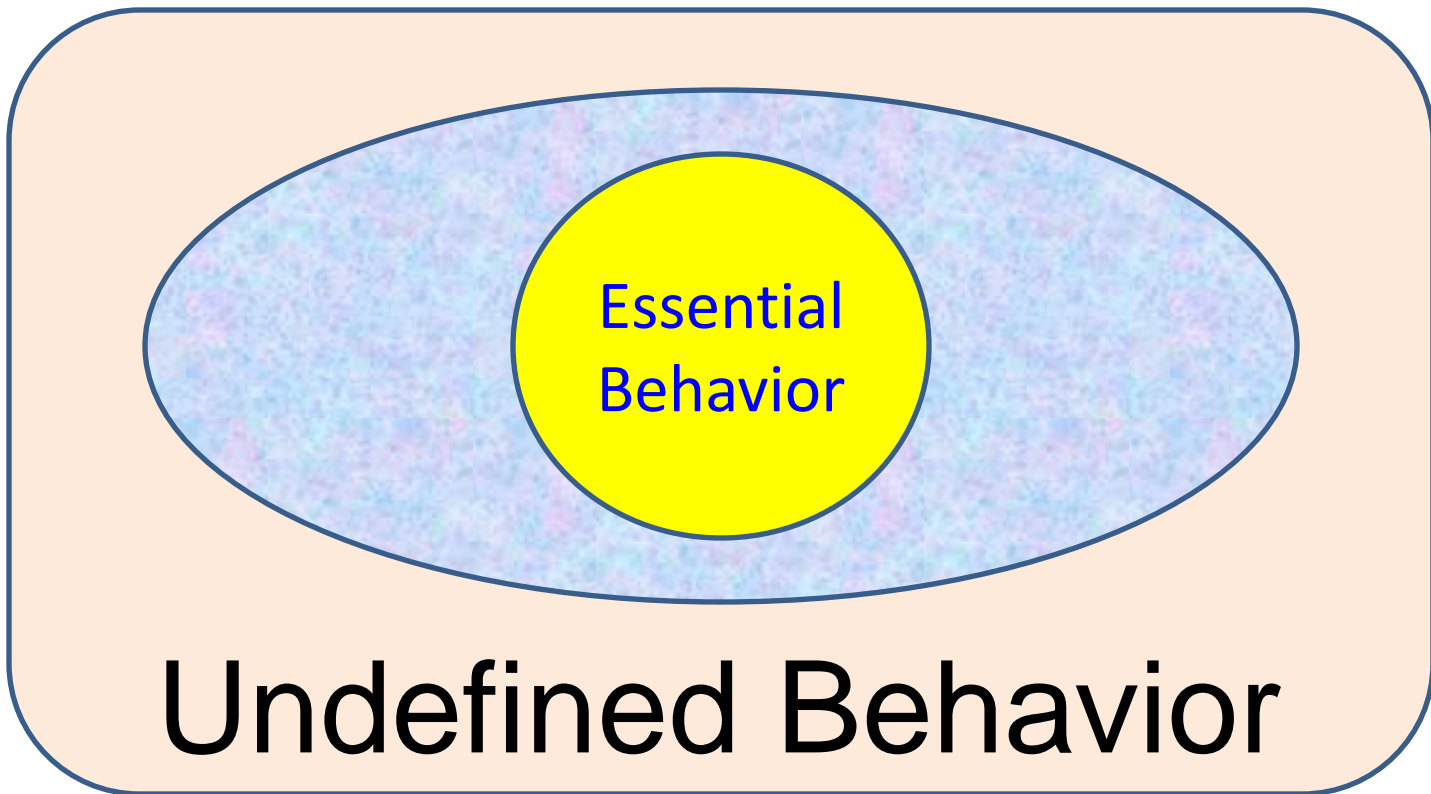
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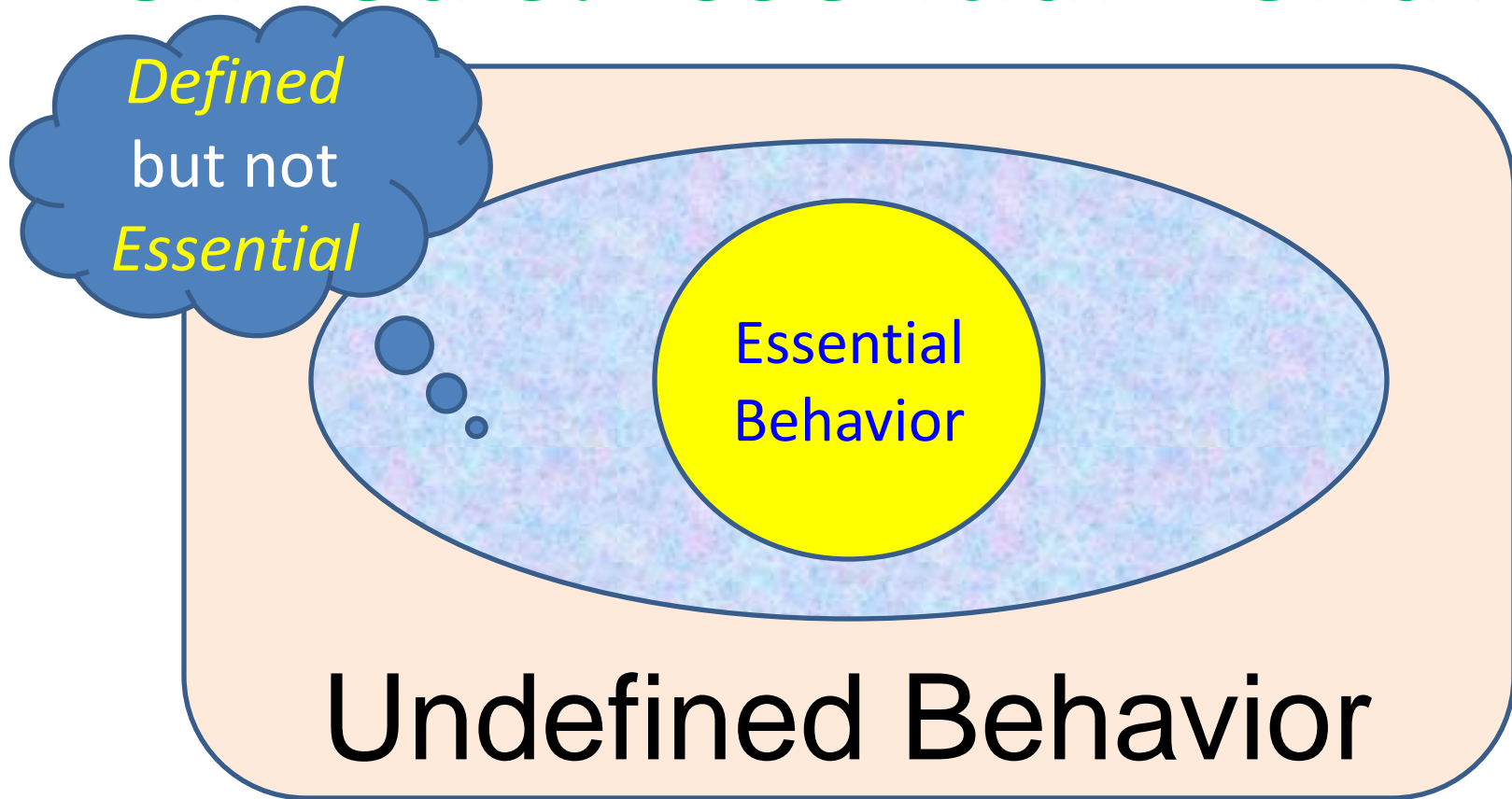
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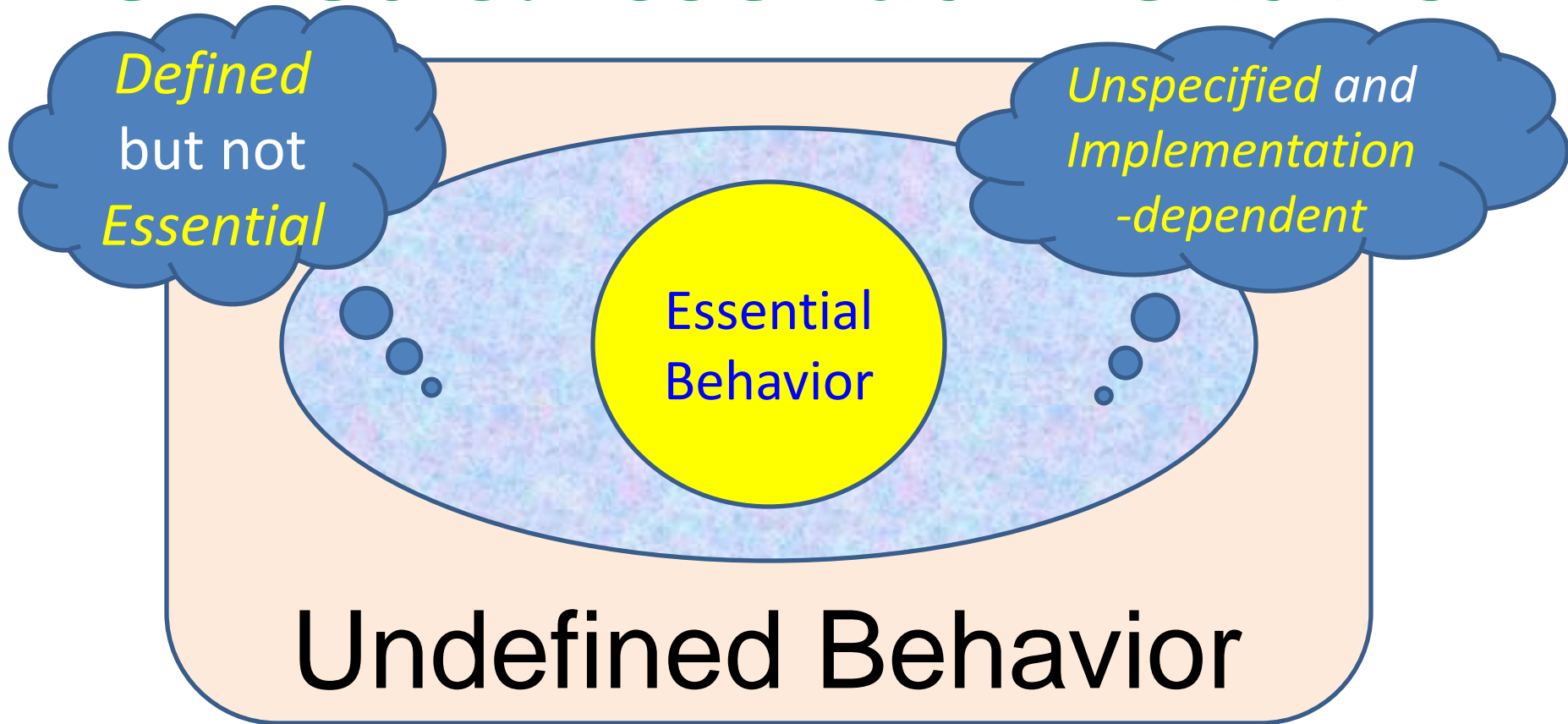
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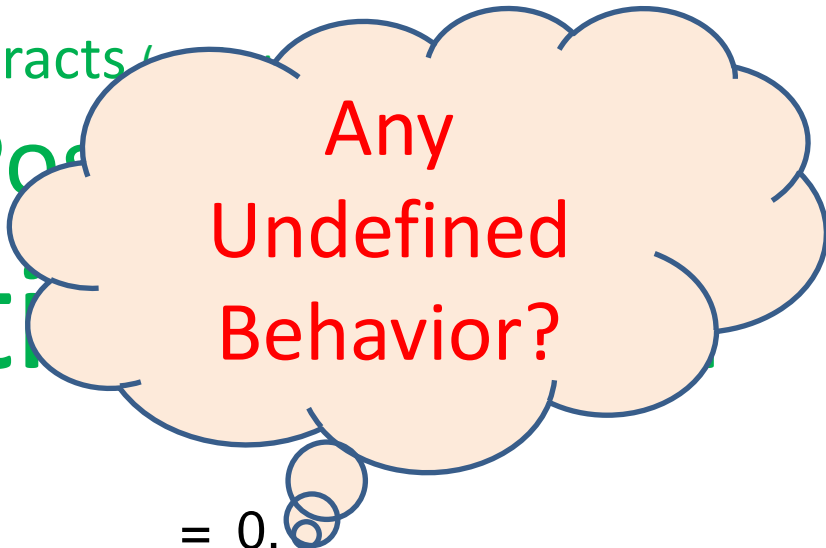
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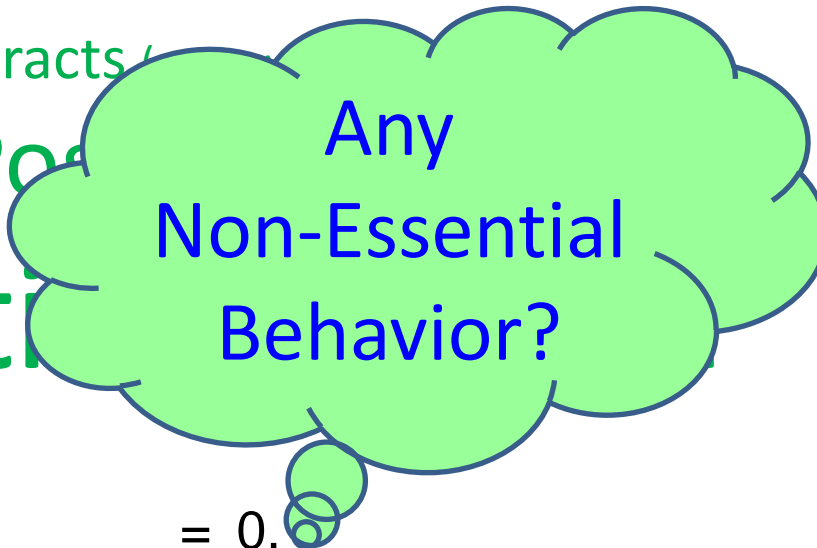


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Hint

2. Interfaces and Contracts /

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Preconditions and Postconditions

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Question: Must the code itself preserve invariants even if one or more *preconditions* of the method's contract is violated?

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Preconditions and Postconditions Variants

Semantic type representing the dates 0001/01/01 and

What happens when behavior is undefined is undefined!

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Design by Contract

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(DbC)

“If you give me valid input*,
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*including state

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Design by Contract

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➤ Preconditions:

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2. Interfaces and Contracts (review)

What Questions are we Answering?

- What do we mean by *Interface* versus *Contract* for a *function*, a *class*, or a *component*?
- What do we mean by *preconditions*, *postconditions*, and *invariants*?
- What do we mean by *essential* & *undefined behavior*?
- Must the code itself preserve invariants even if one or more *preconditions* of the contract are violated?
- What is the idea behind *Design-by-Contract (DbC)*?
- How do we document the contract for a function?
- How can clients ensure that preconditions are satisfied?
- How do we guarantee that postconditions are satisfied?
- How can we test to make sure invariants are preserved?
- What must be true if a client satisfies all preconditions?

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Just Don't
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Double Fault!!

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- Wide contracts prevent defending against such errors in any build mode.

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        return !0;  
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Wide Contract:
Checked in
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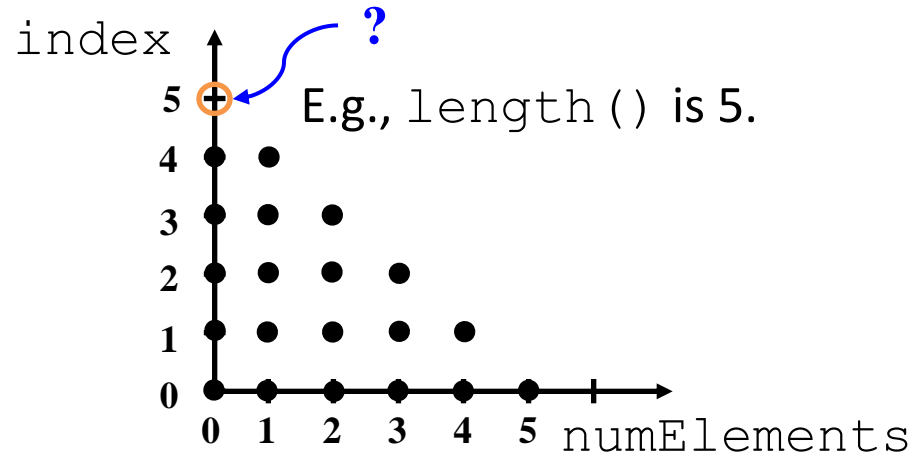
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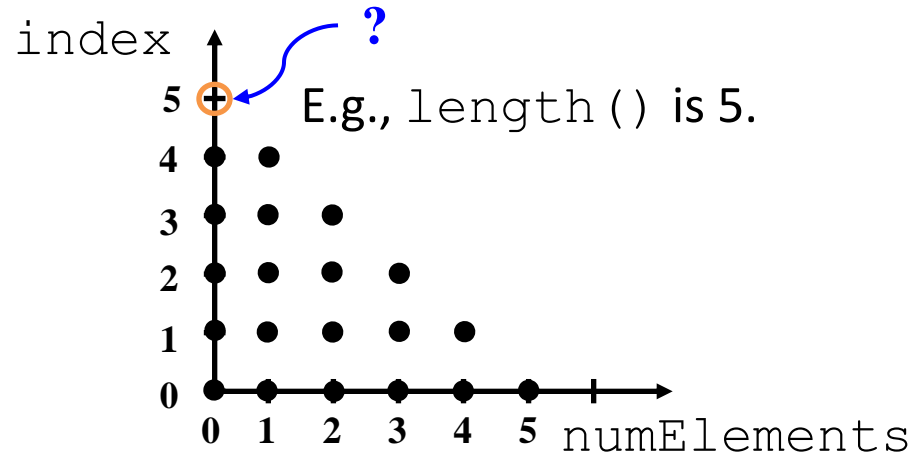
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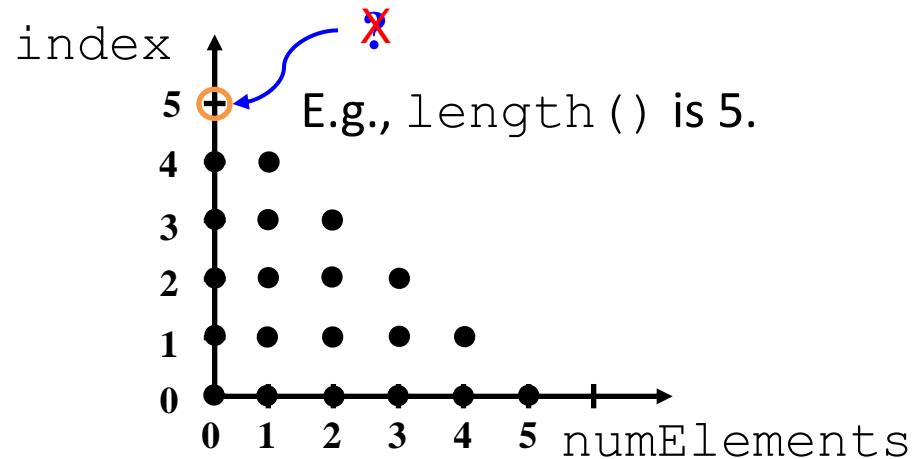
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            int numElements)  
{  
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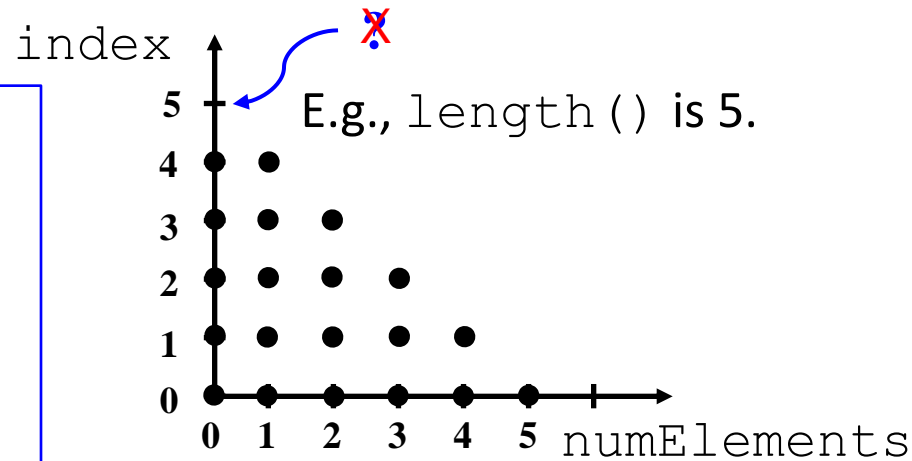


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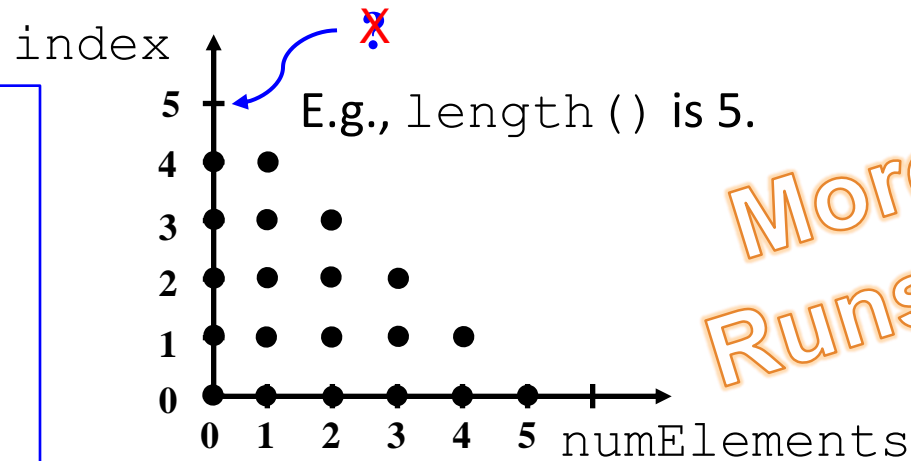


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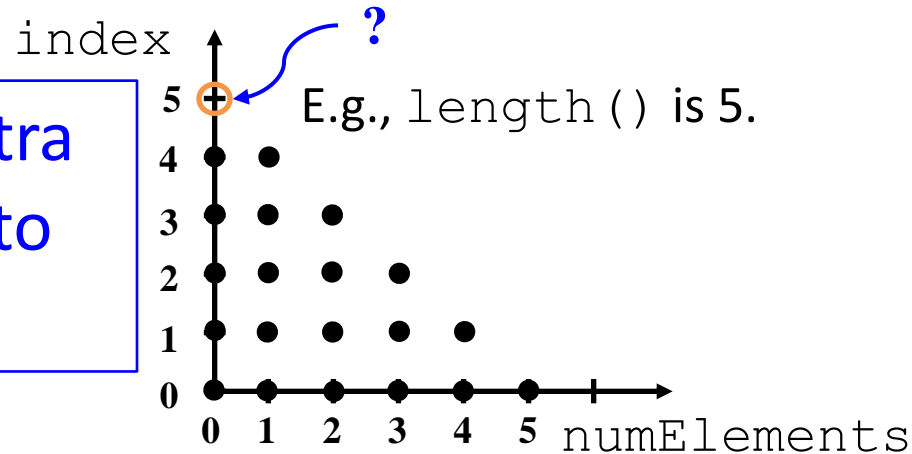
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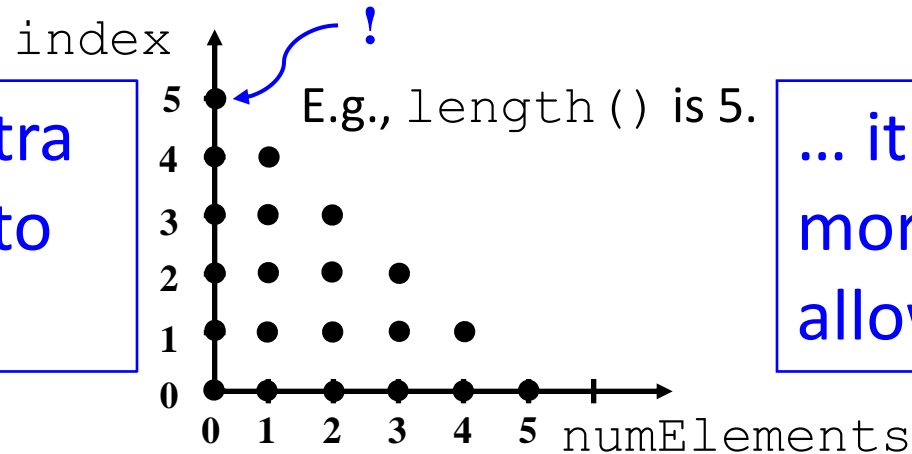


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End of Section

Questions?

3. Narrow versus Wide Contracts (review)

What Questions are we Answering?

- What do we mean by a *narrow* versus a *wide* contract?
 - Should `std::strlen(0)` be required to do something reasonable?
 - Should `Date::setDate(int, int, int)` return a status?
- What should happen when the behavior is undefined?
 - Should what happens be part of the component-level contract?
- What about the behavior for these specific interfaces:
 - Should `operator[](int index)` check to see if `index` is less than zero or greater than `length()`?
 - And what should happen if `index` is out of range?
 - Should `insert(int index, const TYPE& value)` be defined when `index` is greater than `length()` or less than zero?
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Public,
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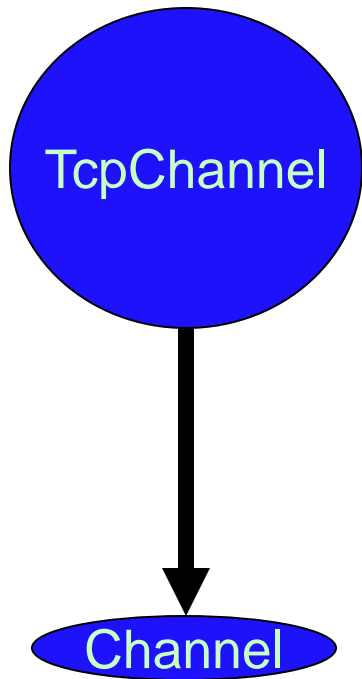
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 - Non-Pure Virtual Functions

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Interface Inheritance

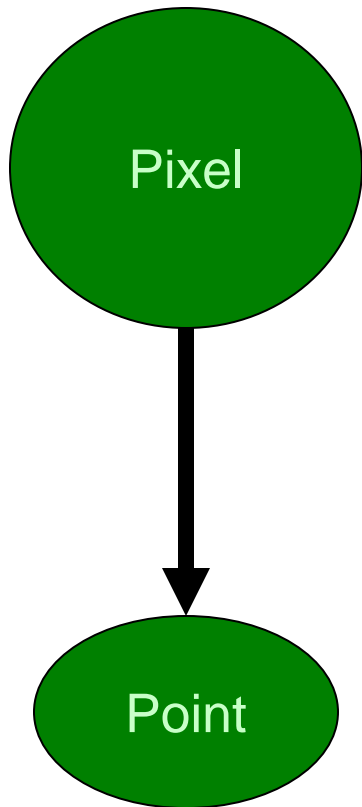


```
class TcpChannel : public Channel {
    /* ... */
public:
    // ... (creators)
    virtual int read(char *buffer, int numBytes) {...}
    virtual int write(const char *buffer, int numBytes) {...}
};
```

```
class Channel {
public:
    virtual ~Channel() { }
    virtual int read(char *buffer, int numBytes) = 0;
    virtual int write(const char *buffer, int numBytes) = 0;
};
```


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Structural Inheritance

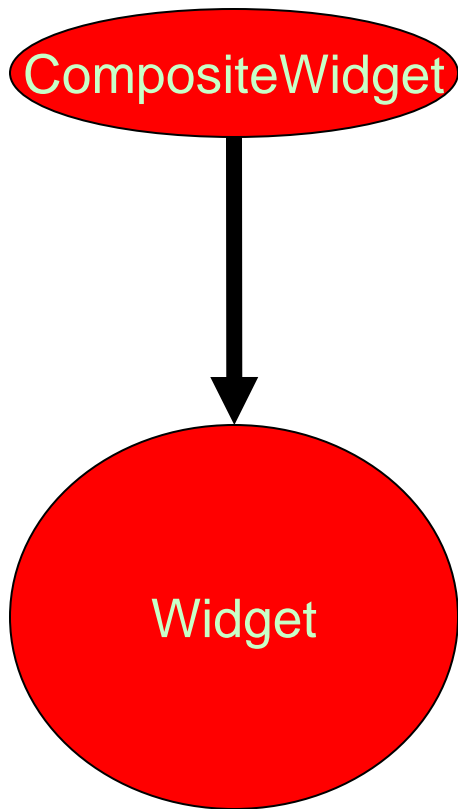


```
class Pixel : public Point {  
    public:  
        enum Color { RED, GREEN, BLUE };  
    private:  
        Color d_color;  
    public:  
        // ... (creators)  
        void setColor(Color color) { /* ... */ }  
        Color color ( ) const { /* ... */ }  
};
```

```
class Point {  
    int d_x;  
    int d_y;  
    public:  
        // ... (creators)  
        void setX(int x) { /* ... */ }  
        void setY(int y) { /* ... */ }  
        int x() const { /* ... */ }  
        int y() const { /* ... */ }  
};
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Implementation Inheritance

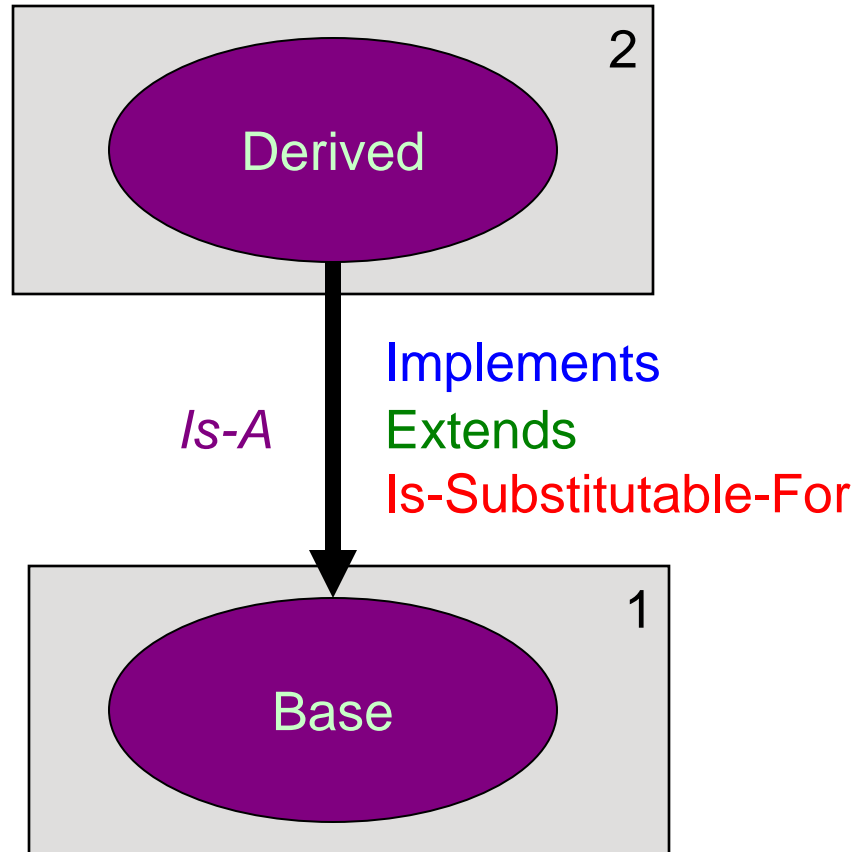


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class CompositeWidget : public Widget {  
    // ...  
public:  
    // ... (creators)  
    virtual const char *widgetCategory() const { return "COMP"; }  
    virtual int numChildren() const { /* ... */ }  
    // ...  
};
```

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class Widget {  
    Point d_origin;  
    // ...  
public:  
    // ... (creators)  
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    virtual const char *instanceName() const { return 0; }  
    virtual bool hasLocation() const { return true; }  
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    virtual const char *widgetCategory() const { return "LEAF"; }  
    virtual int numChildren const { return 0; }  
    // ...  
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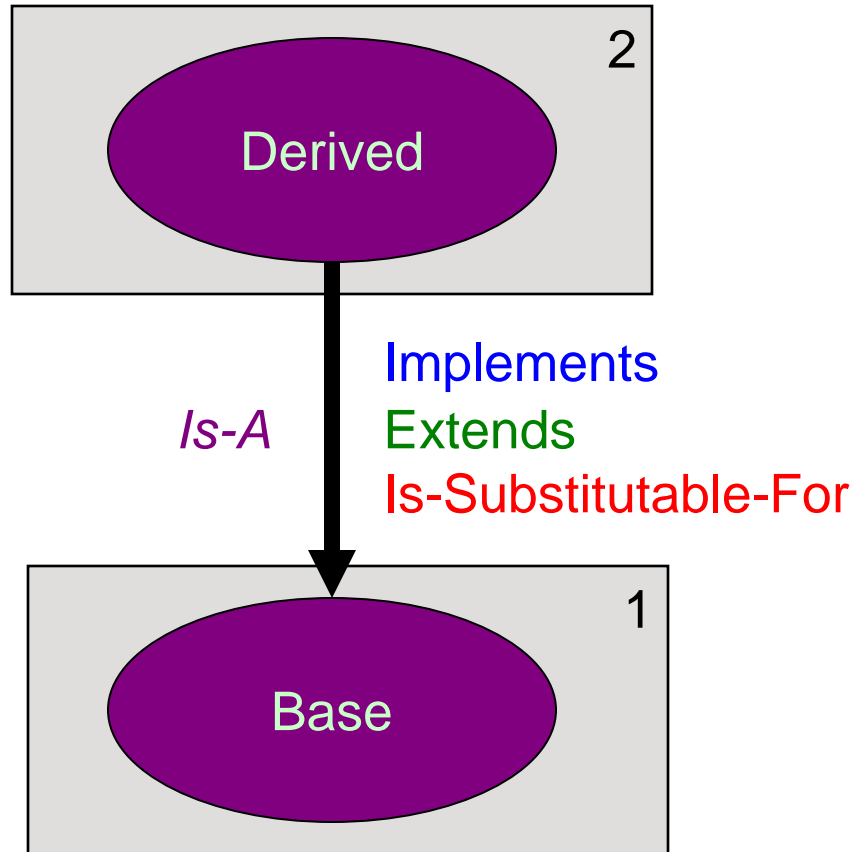
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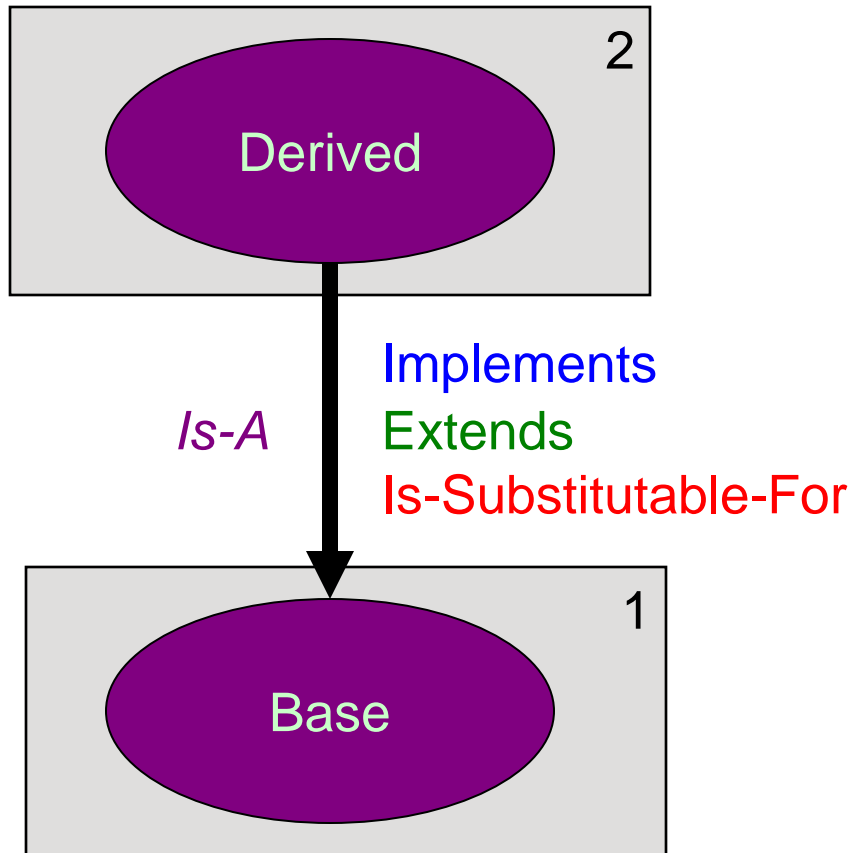
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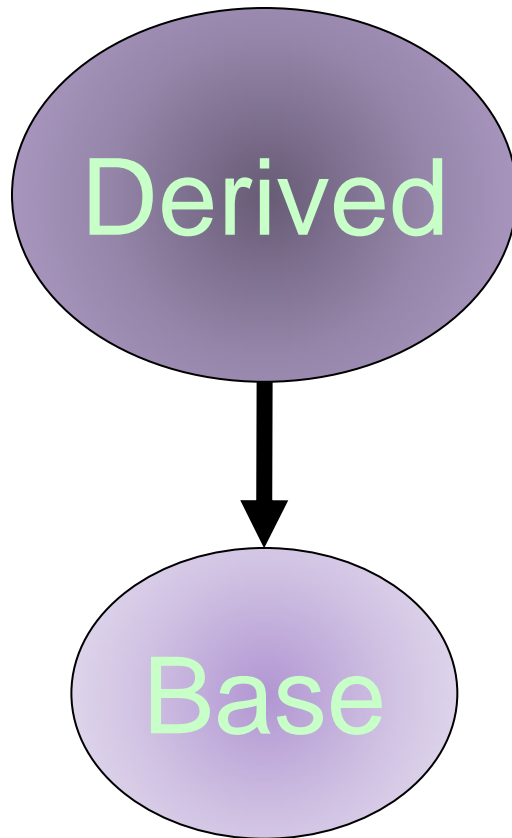
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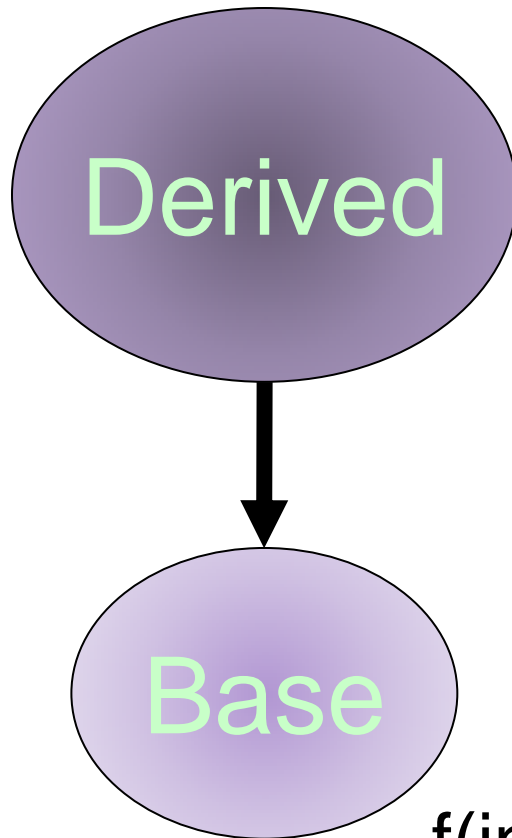
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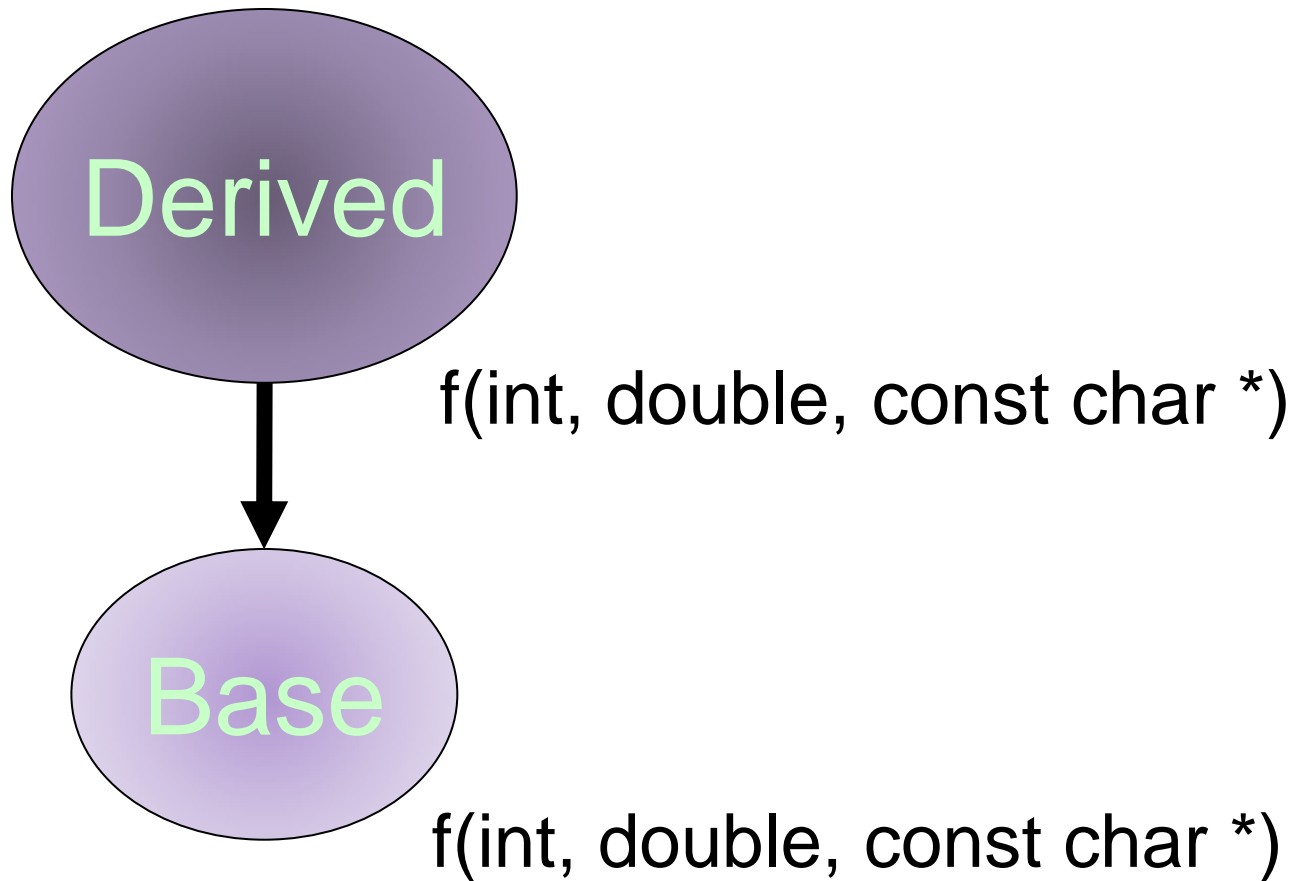
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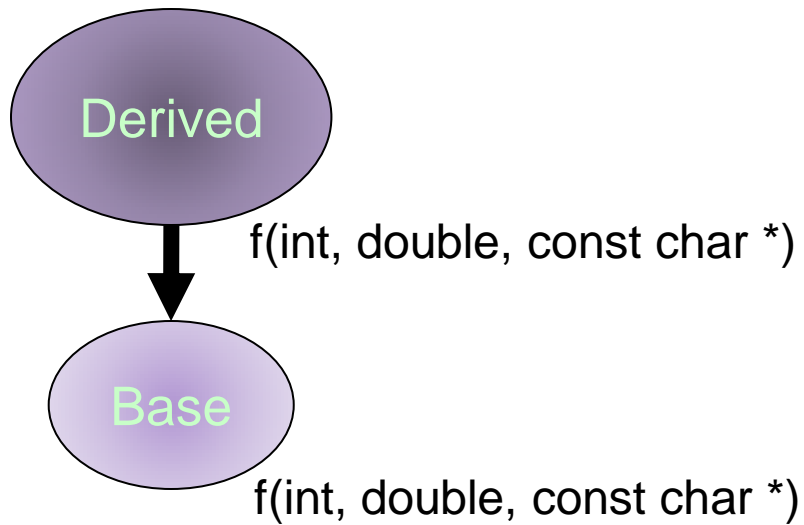
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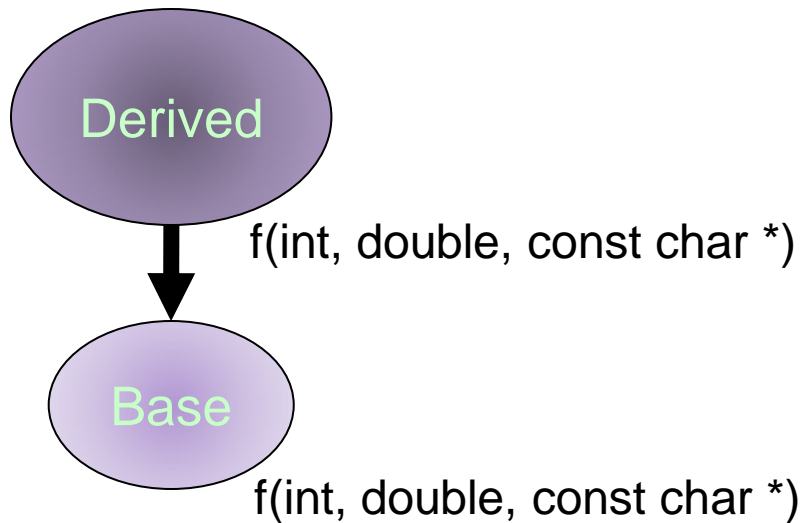
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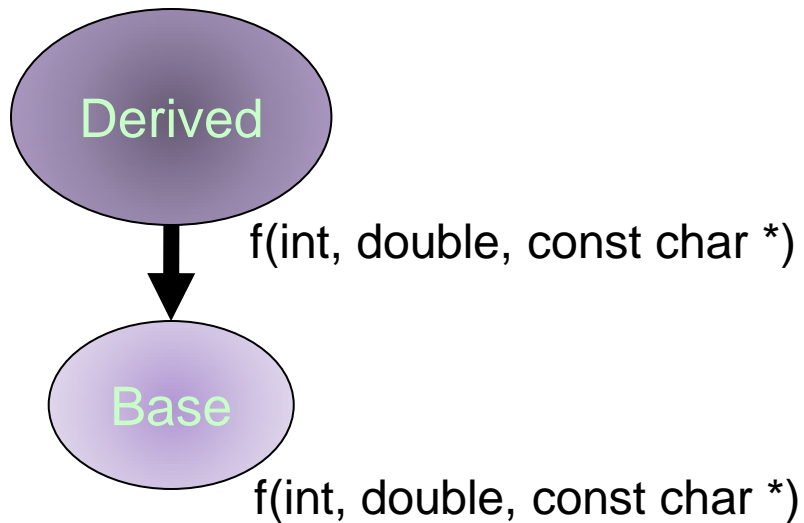
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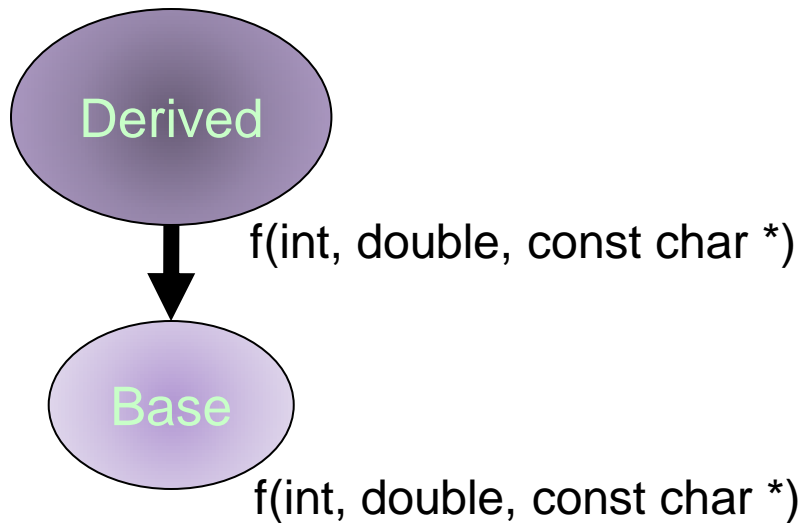


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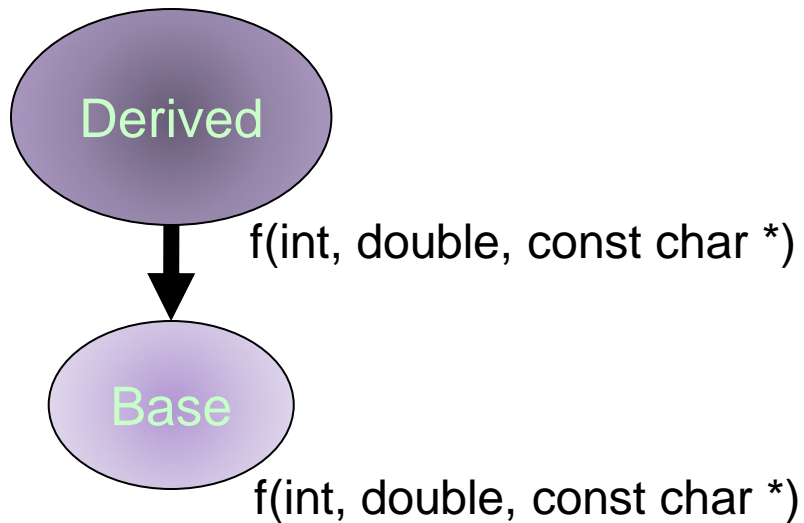


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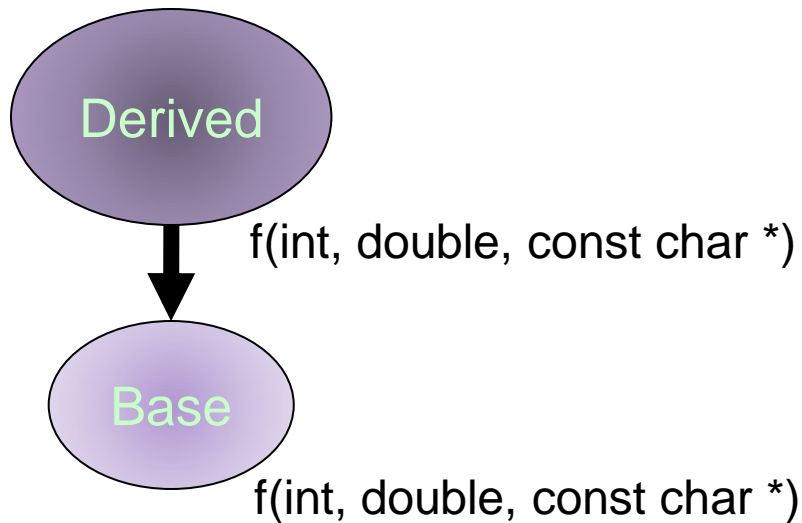
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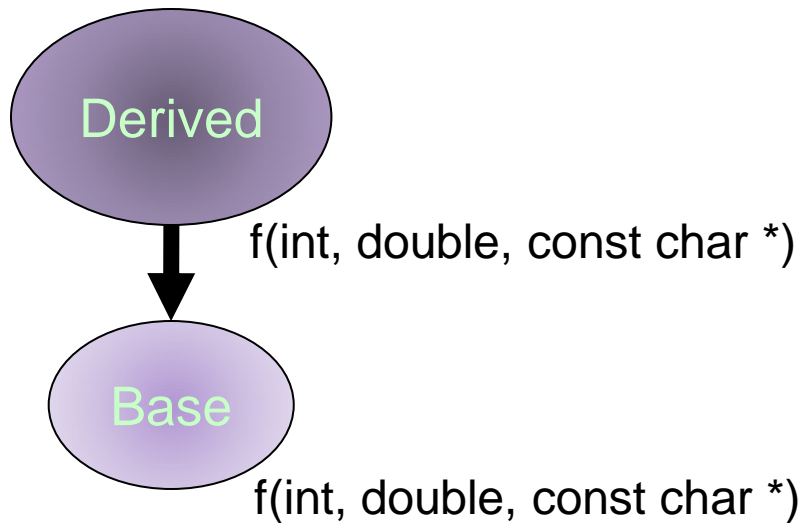
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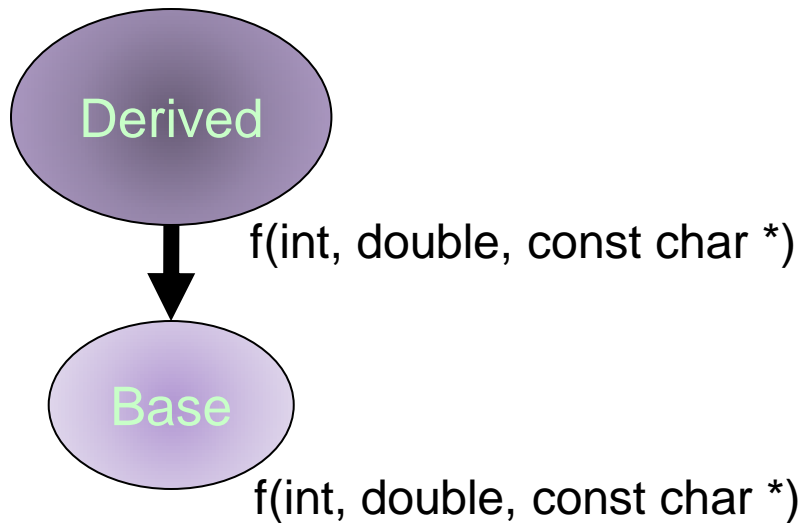
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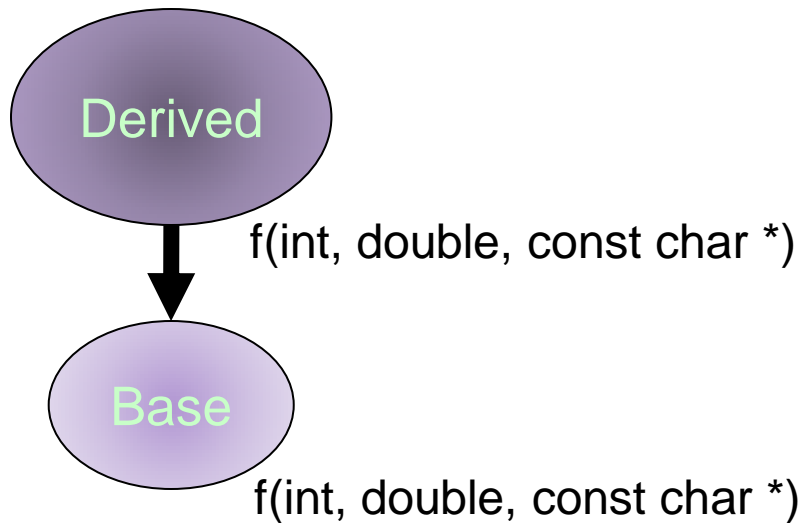
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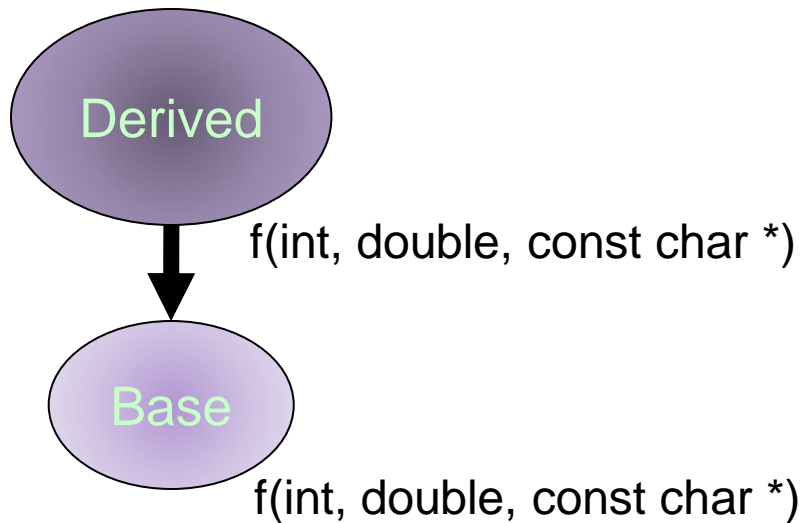
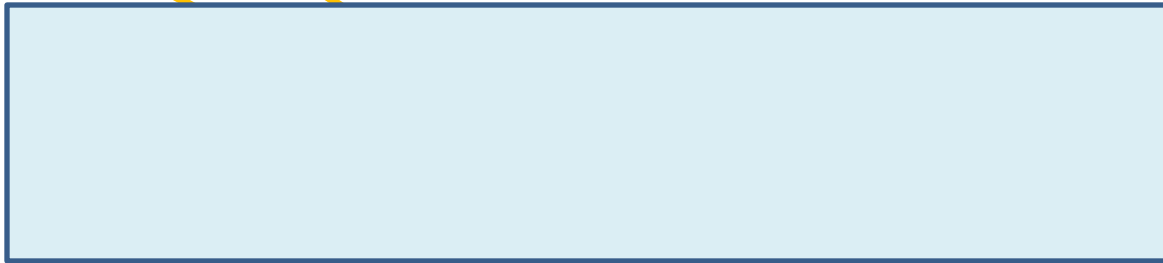


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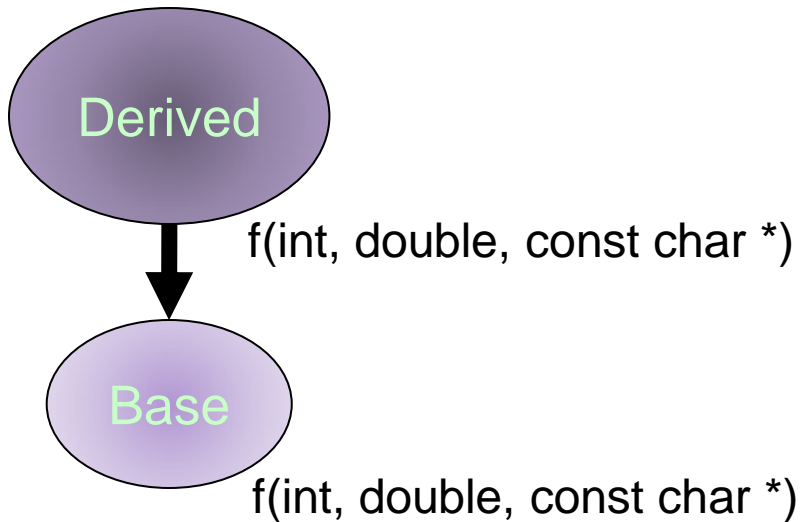
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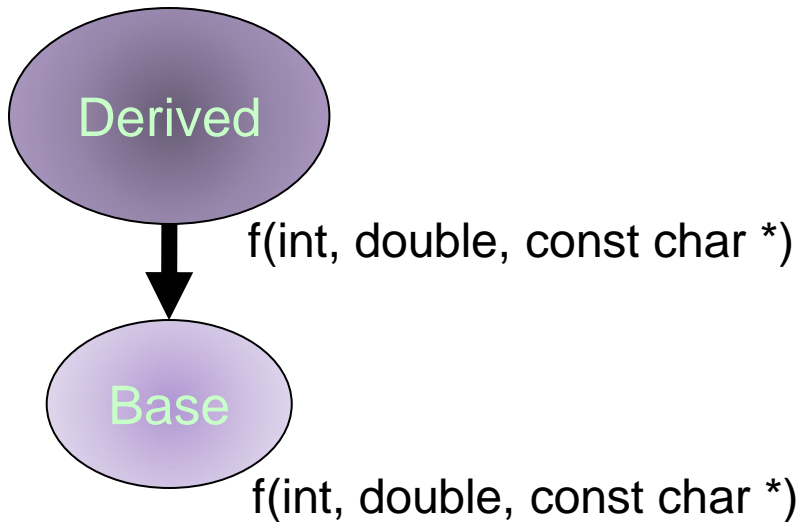
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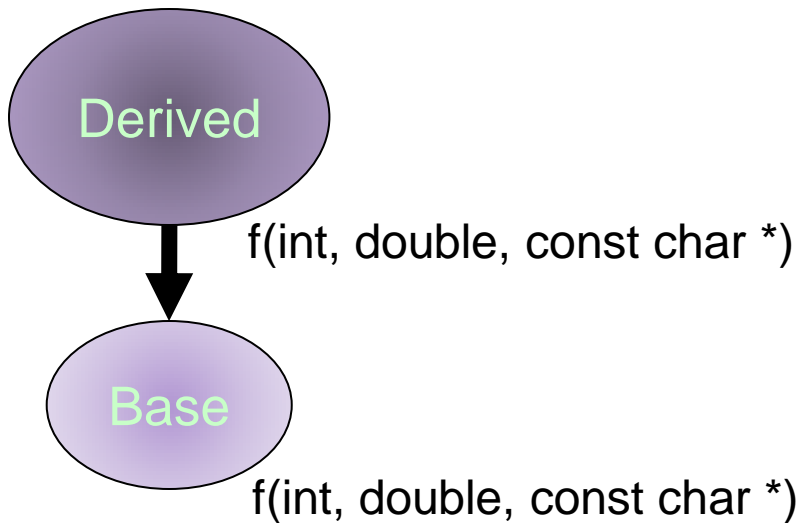
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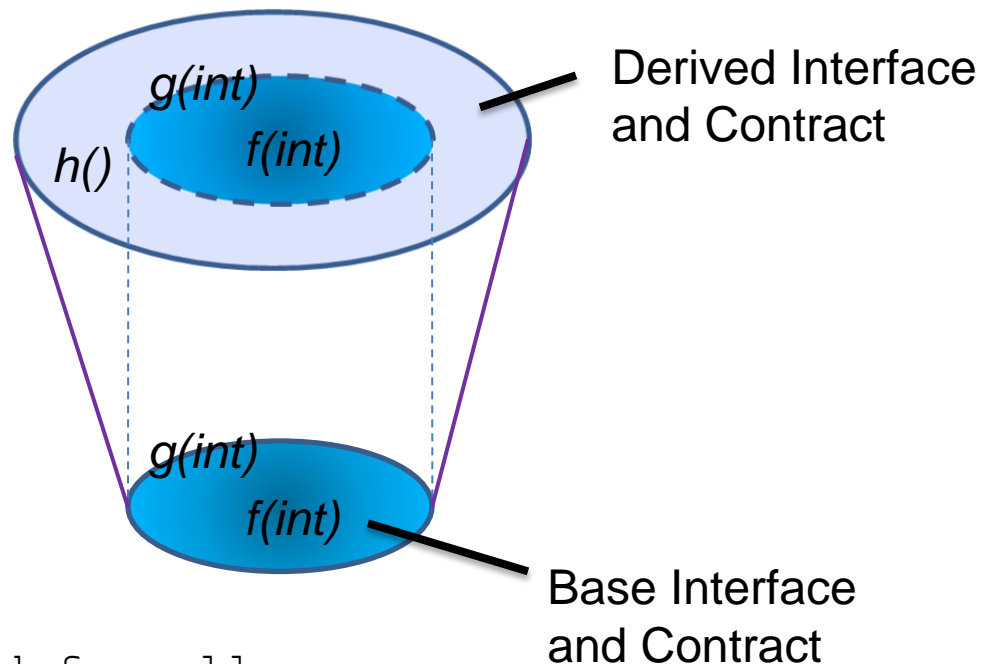
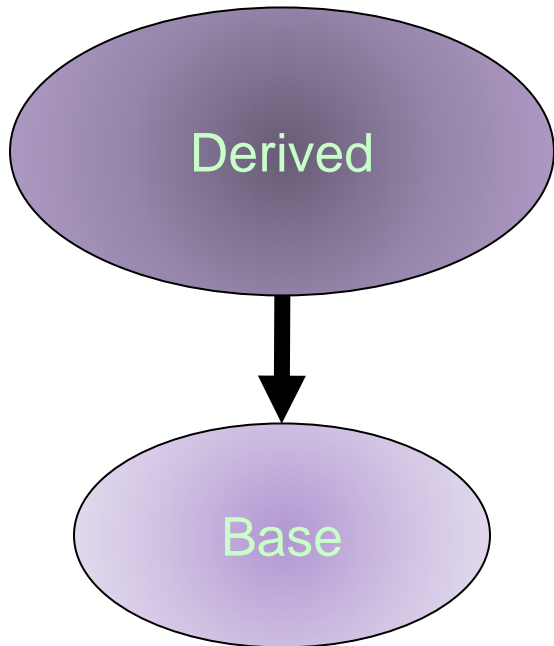
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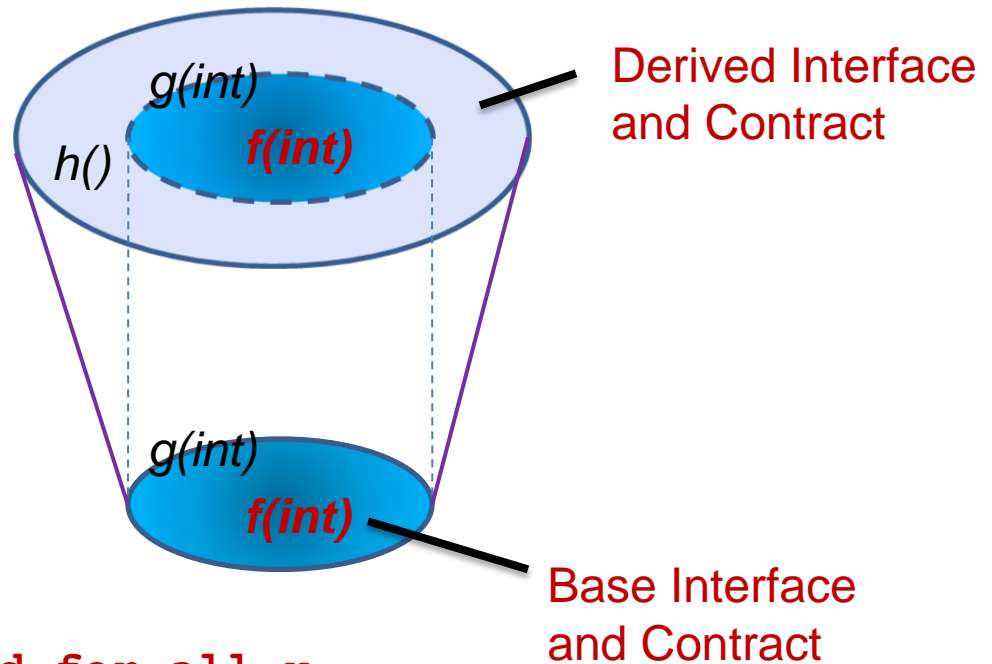
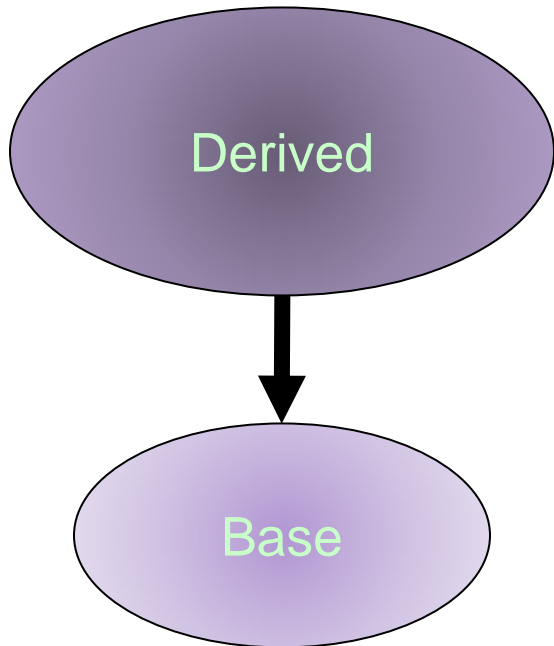


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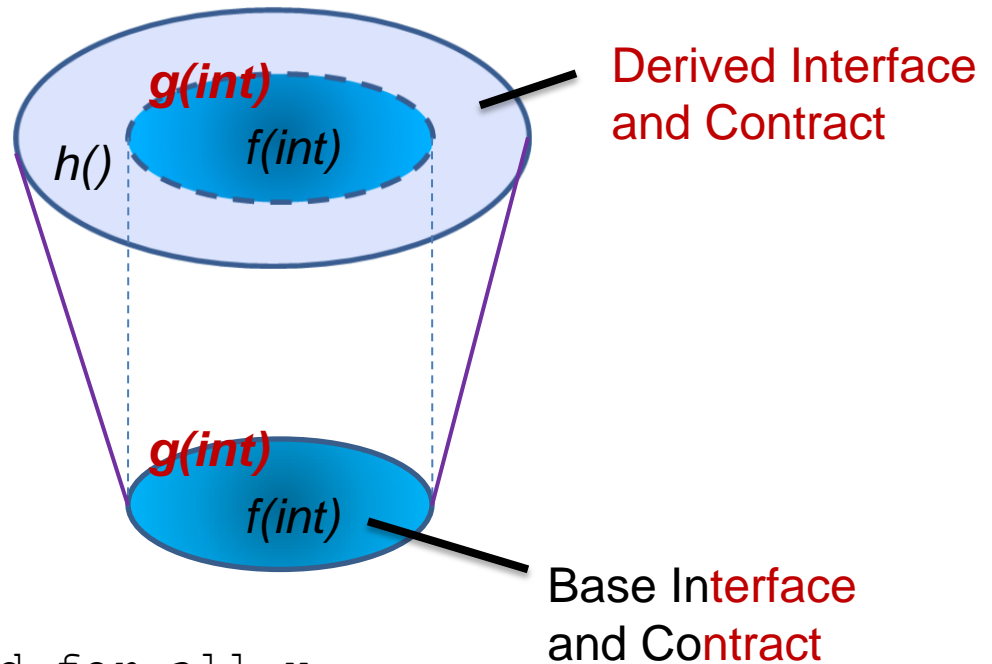
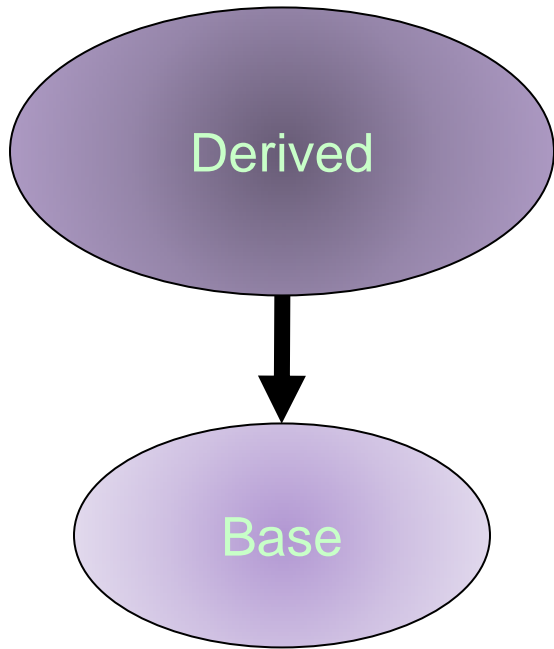


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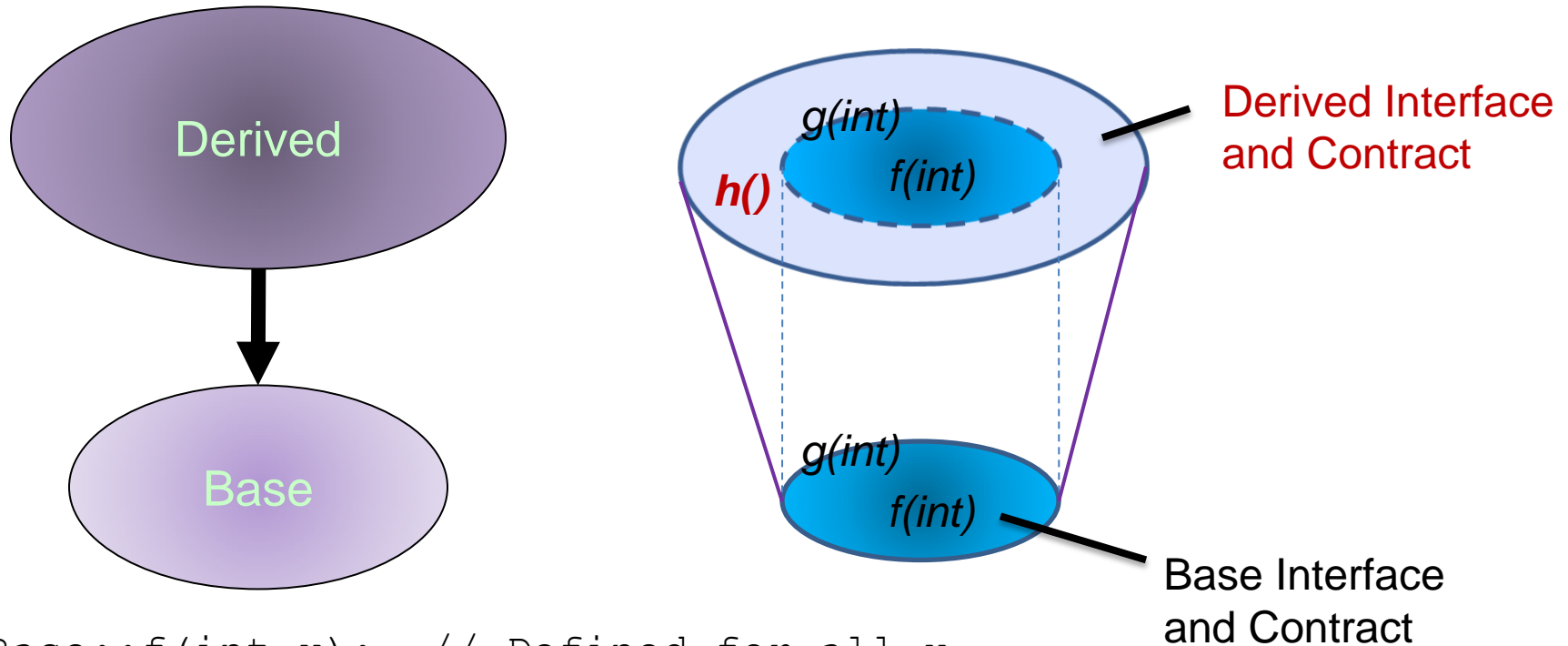


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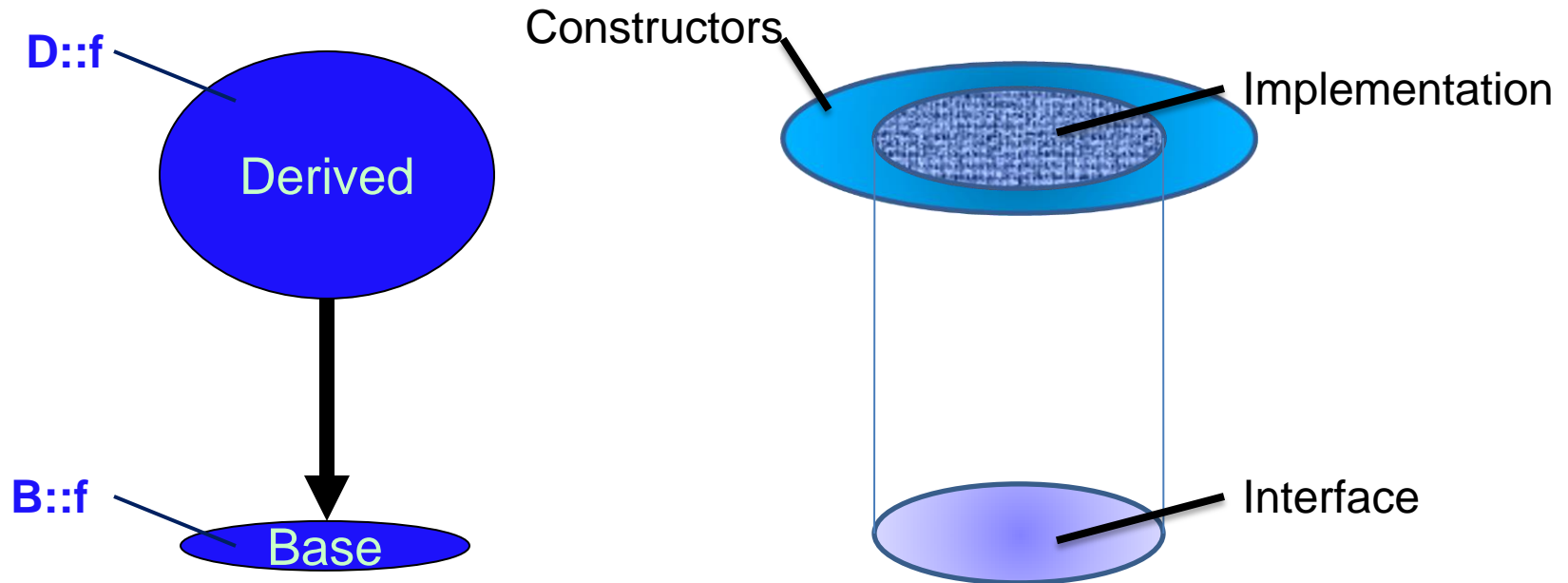
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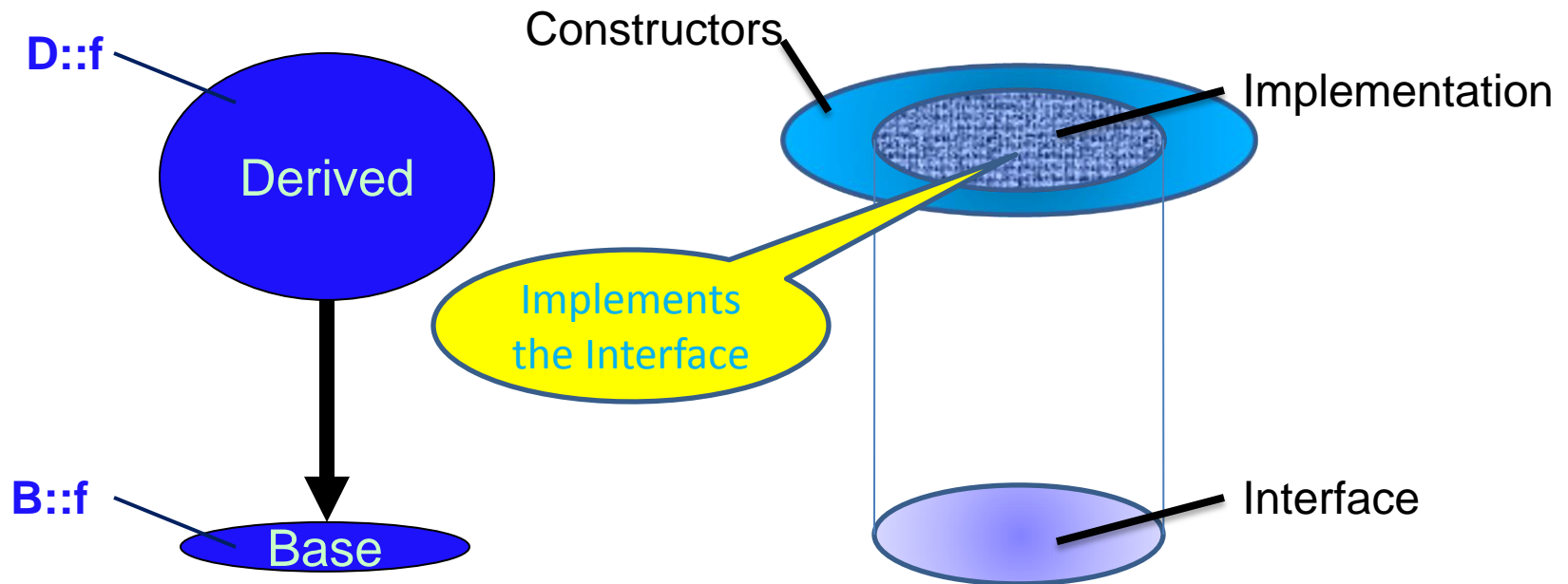
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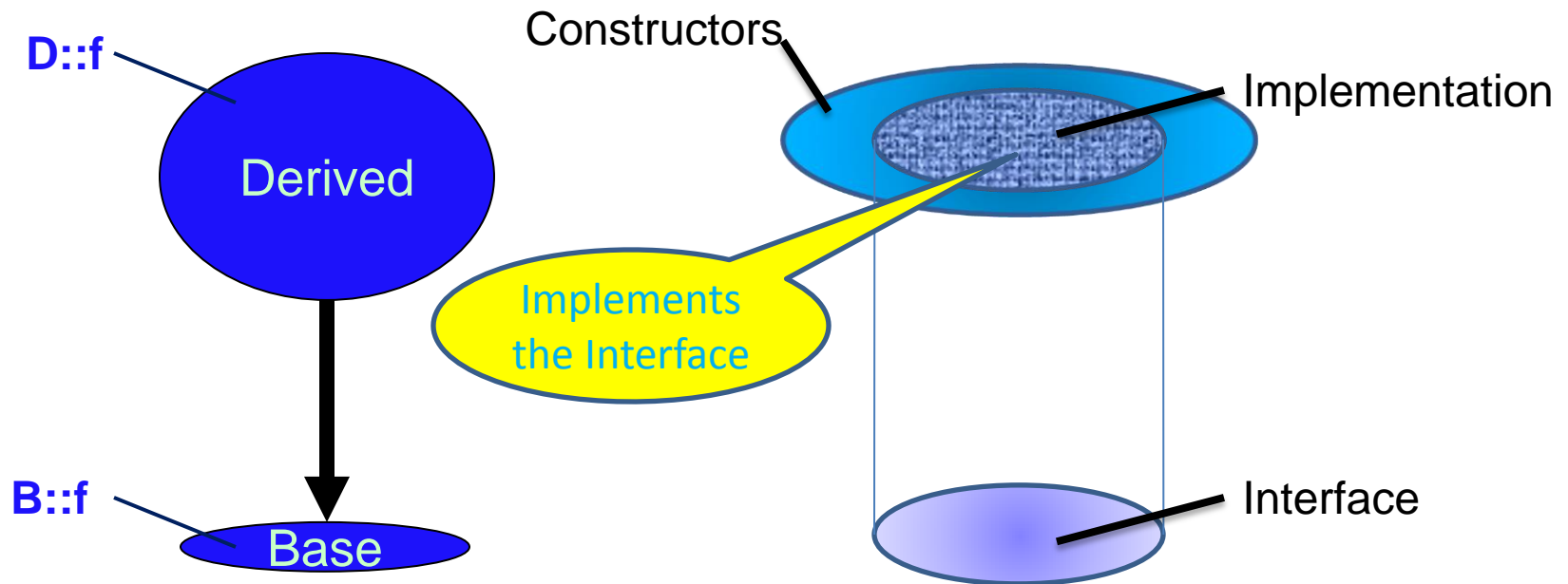
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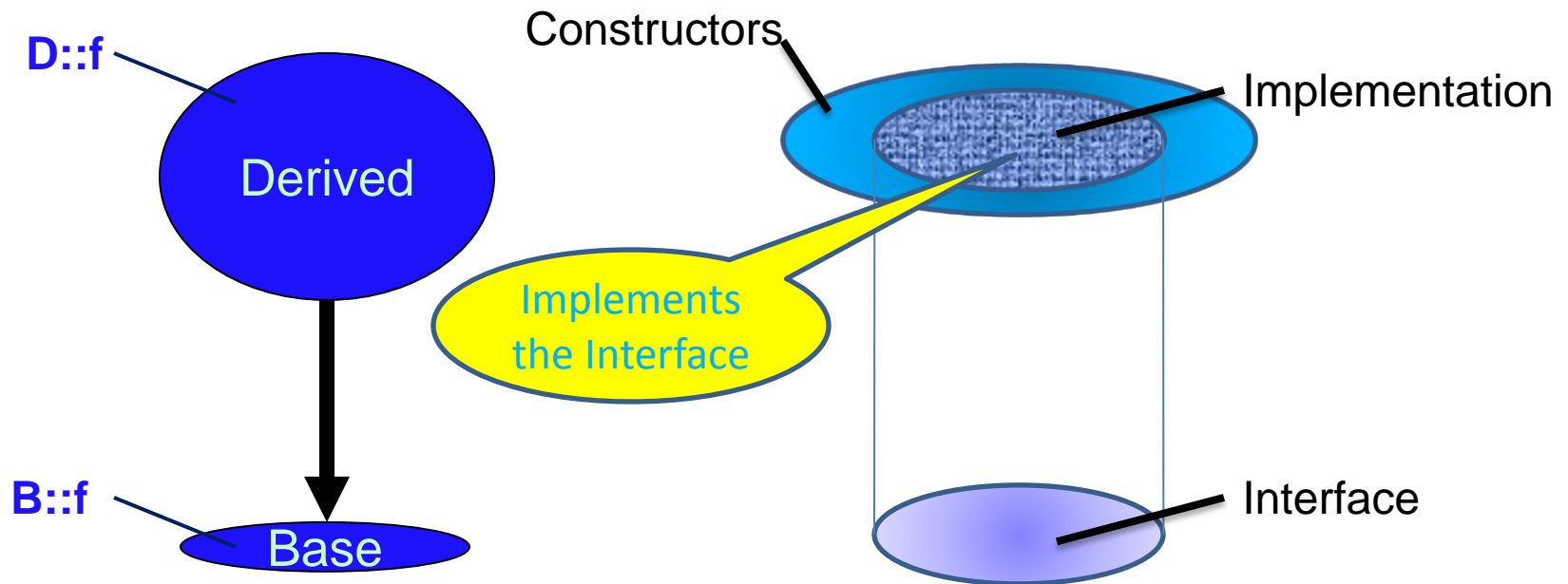
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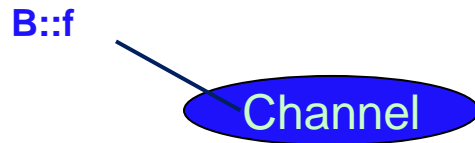
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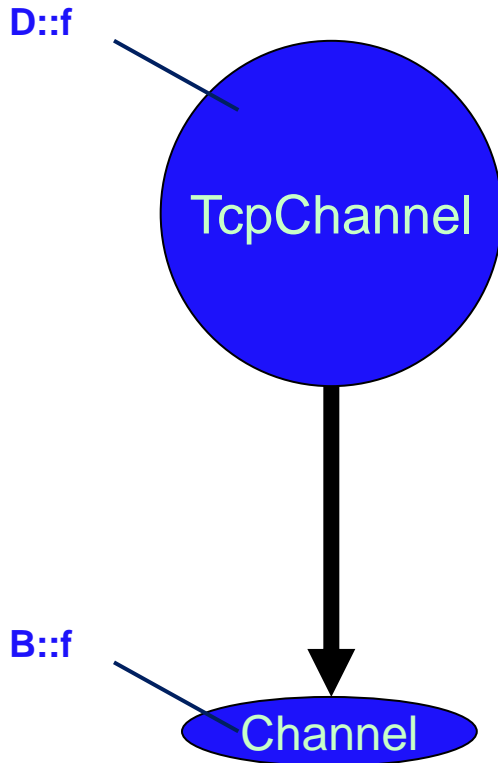


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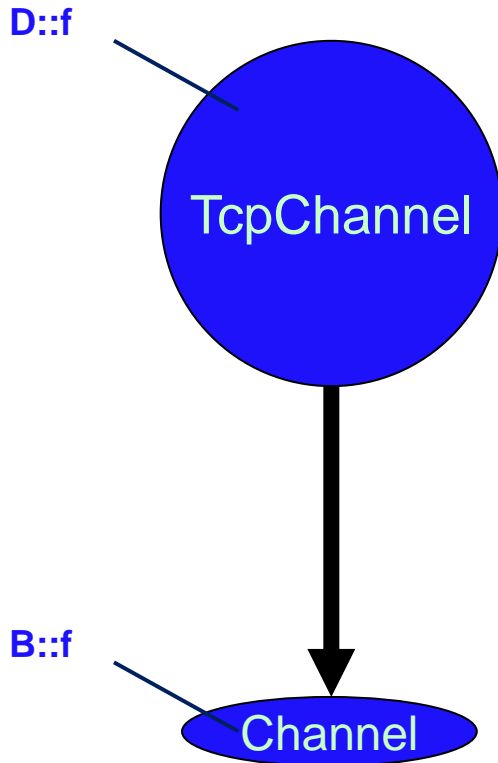
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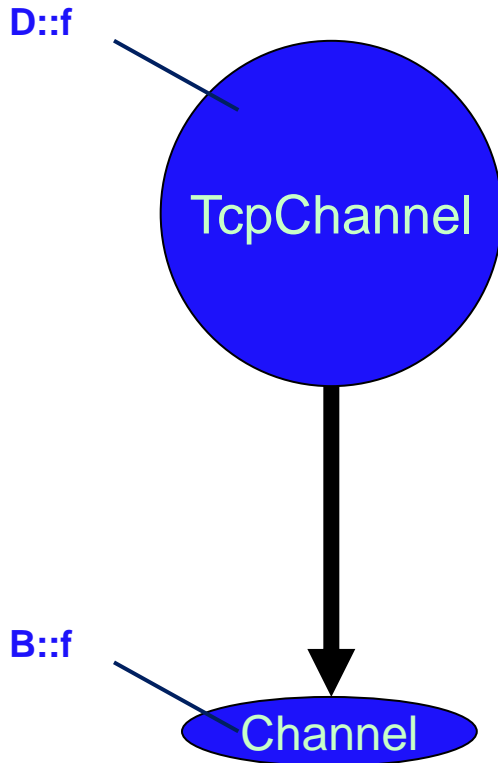


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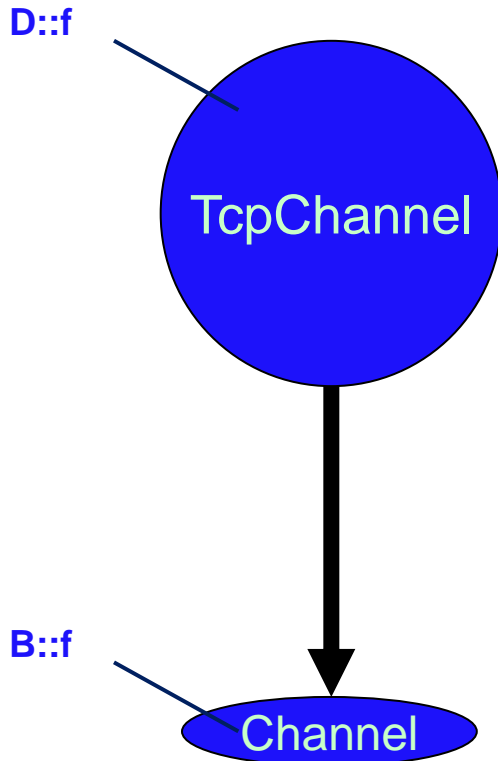


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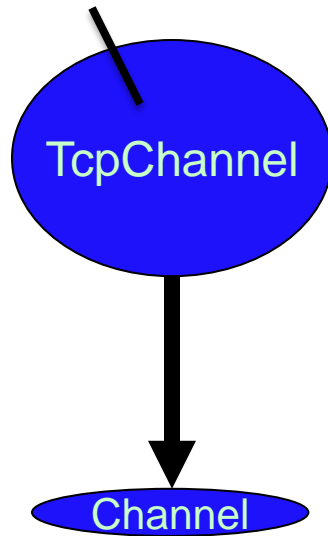
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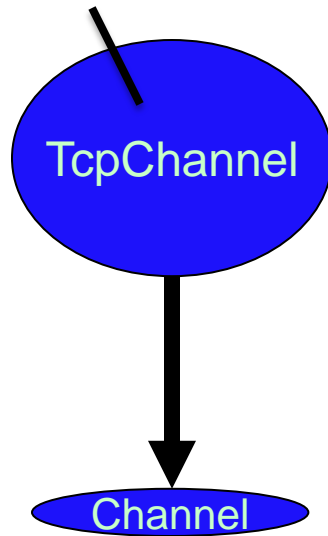
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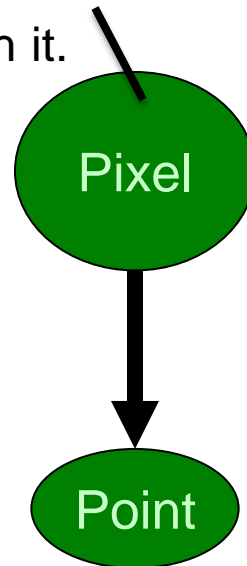
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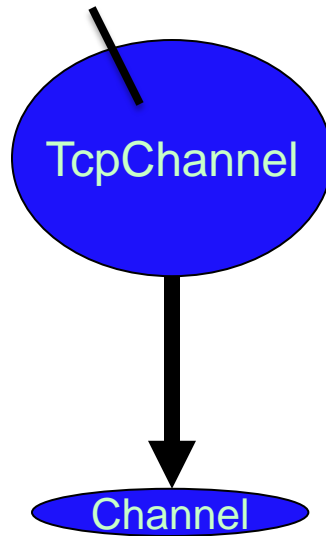
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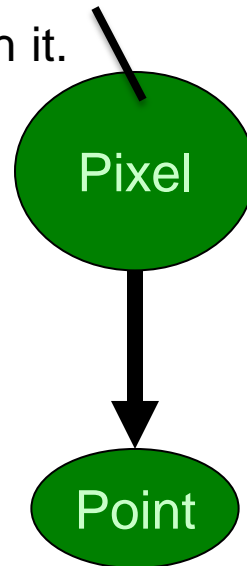
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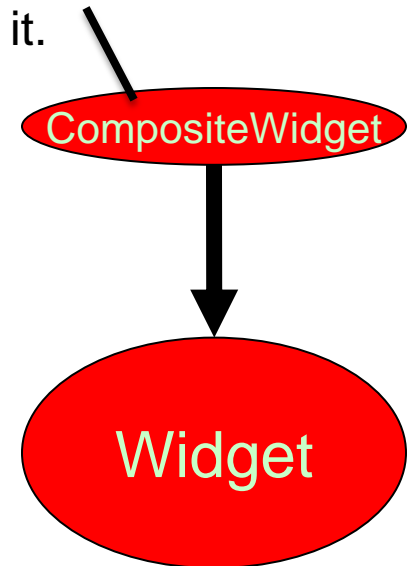
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class Bool {
    bool d_v;
public:
    Bool(int x) :
        operator bool
};
```

```
void p(const
```

```
main()
{
    Bool b0
    Bool b1
    // ...
    p(b0, b1
}
```

```
public Bool {
    Bool(x) : Bool(!x) { }
```

```
/* ... */ }
```

```
else);
true);
...);
```

Necessary,
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Every *empty* type
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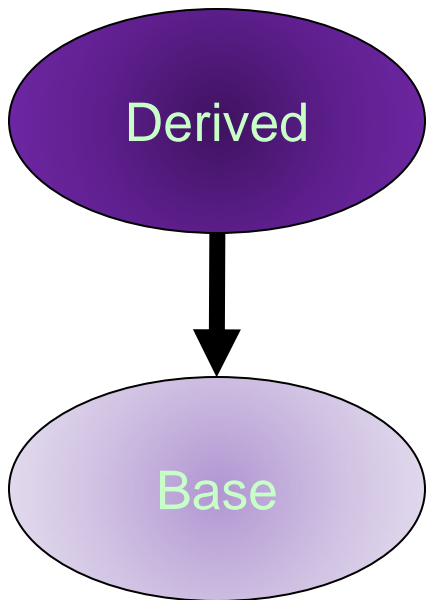
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Recall the following *general property*:

For inheritance to be *proper*, any operation that can be invoked on a derived-class *object* via a base-class pointer (or reference) must behave identically if we replace that base-class pointer (or reference) with a corresponding derived-class one.

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```
void example(Derived *pDerived)
{
    Base *pBase = pDerived;

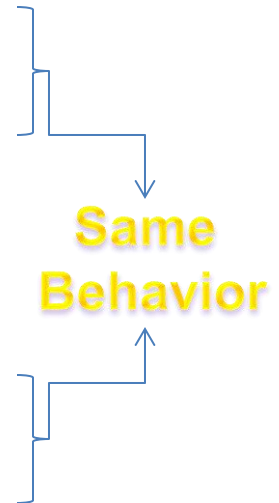
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    int result = someFunction(*pDerived);

#else

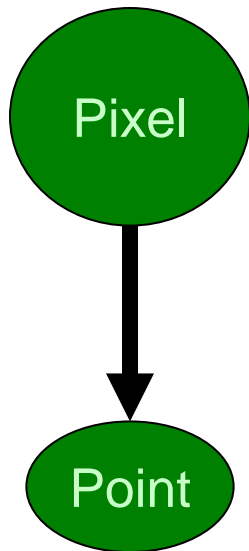
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#endif
}
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```
#ifdef USE_BASE_CLASS_INTERFACE
    typedef Point Type;
#else
    typedef Pixel Type;
#endif
```

```
void anyProgram(Type *p);
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
    Pixel pixel(1, 2, Pixel::BLUE);
```

```
    anyProgram(&pixel);
```

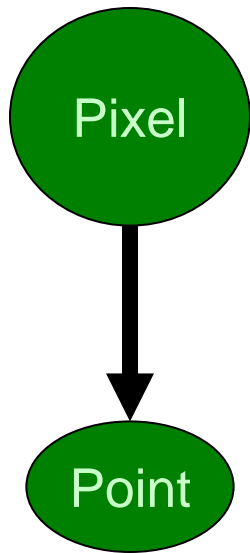
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}
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```
using std::cout; // (We do this only
using std::endl; // in test drivers.)
```

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```
void anyProgram(Type *p)
{
    cout << p->x() << endl;
}
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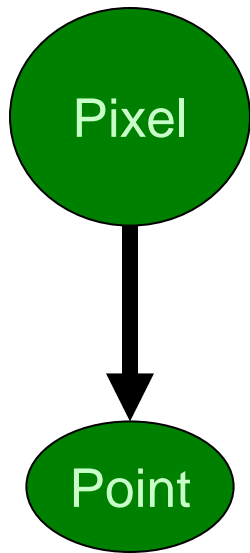


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int Point::x() const
{
    return d_x;
}
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void anyProgram(Type *p)
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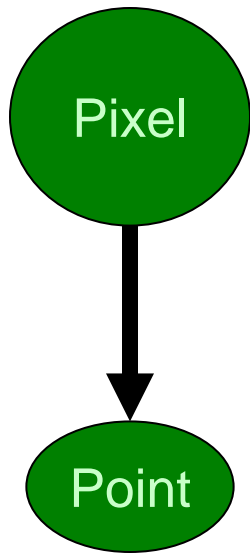
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};
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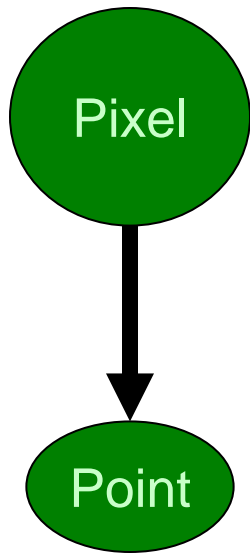


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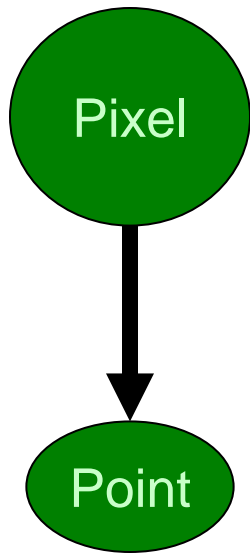
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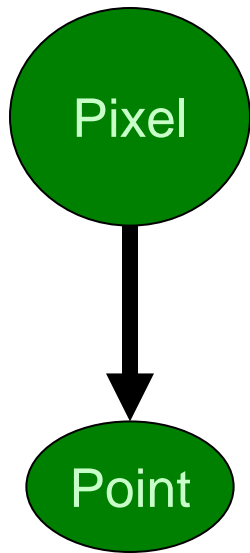
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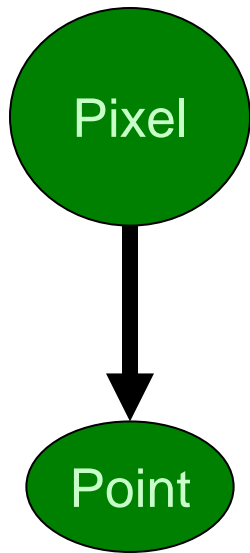
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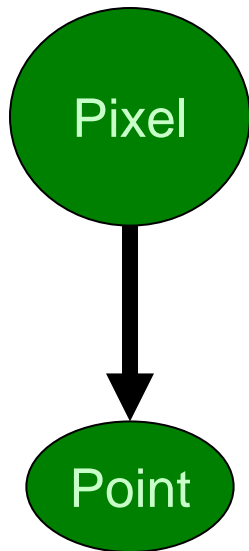


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```
{  
    d_y = y < 0 ? -y : y;  
}
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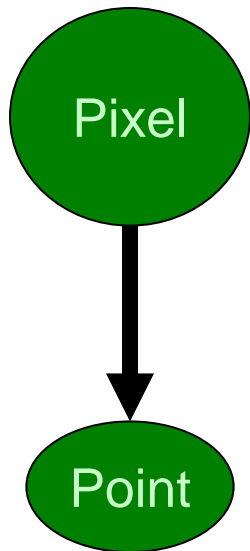
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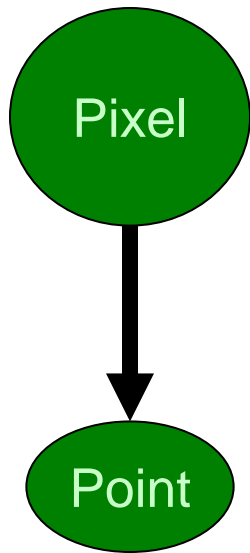
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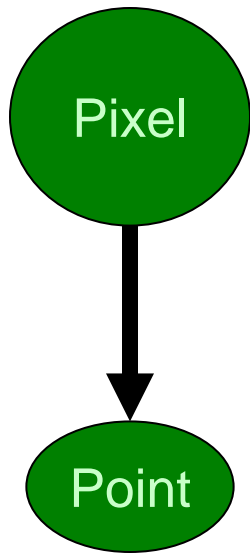
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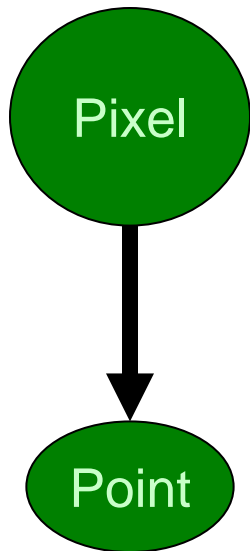
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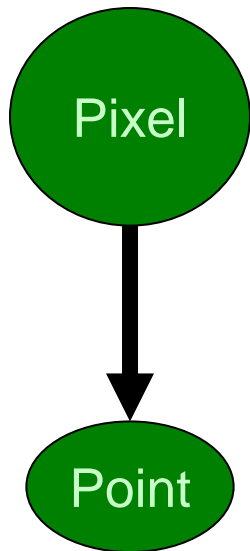
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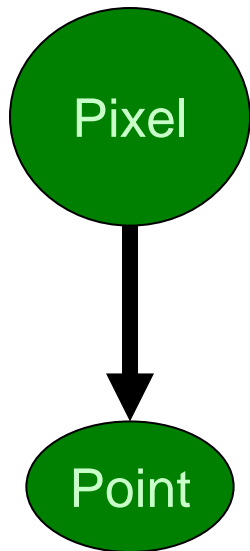
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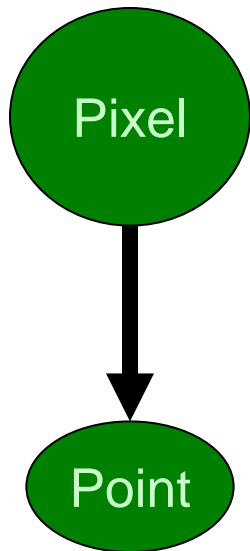
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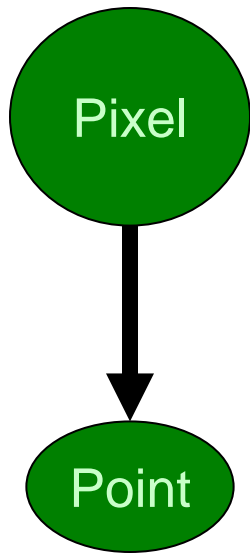
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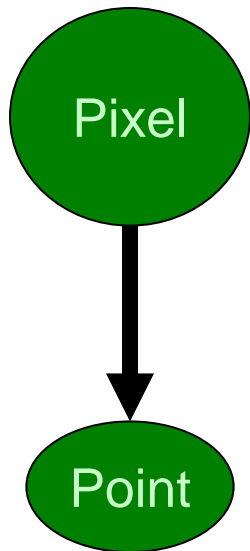


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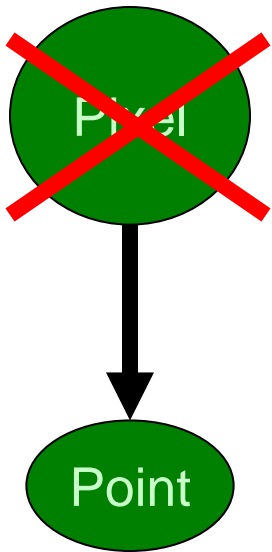
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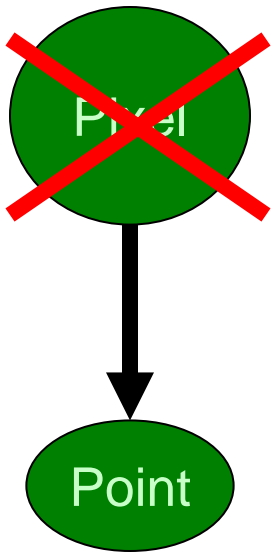


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Proper **Structural**
Inheritance *extends*
functionality, but
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object's footprint.

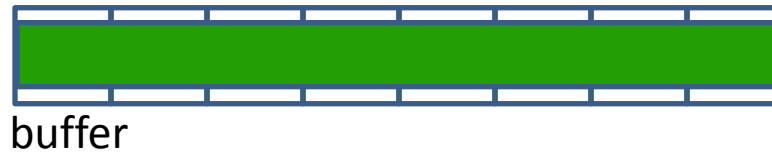
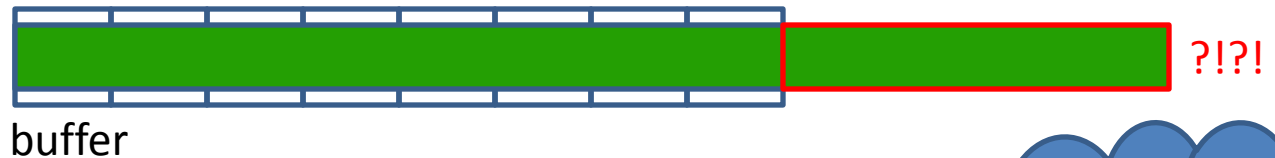
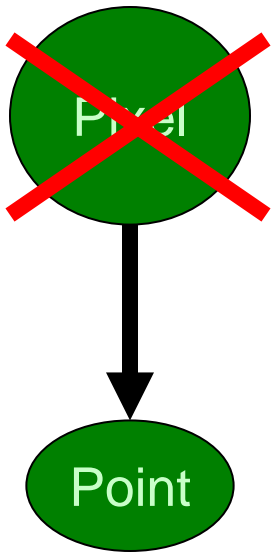
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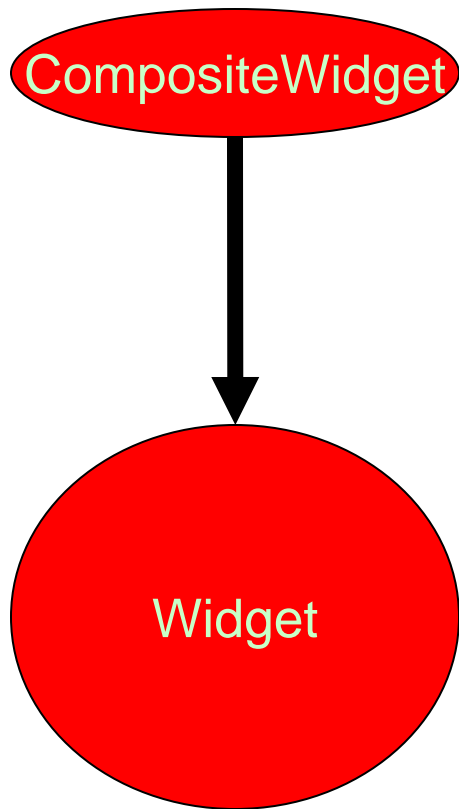
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void anyProgram(Type *p)  
{  
    double alignmentHack; // Don't do it!  
    char buffer[sizeof(Point)];  
    (Type *)&buffer = *p;  
}
```



The same
“*size*” issue
applies to
arrays of
objects!

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Implementation Inheritance



Implementation hierarchies are *highly problematic!*

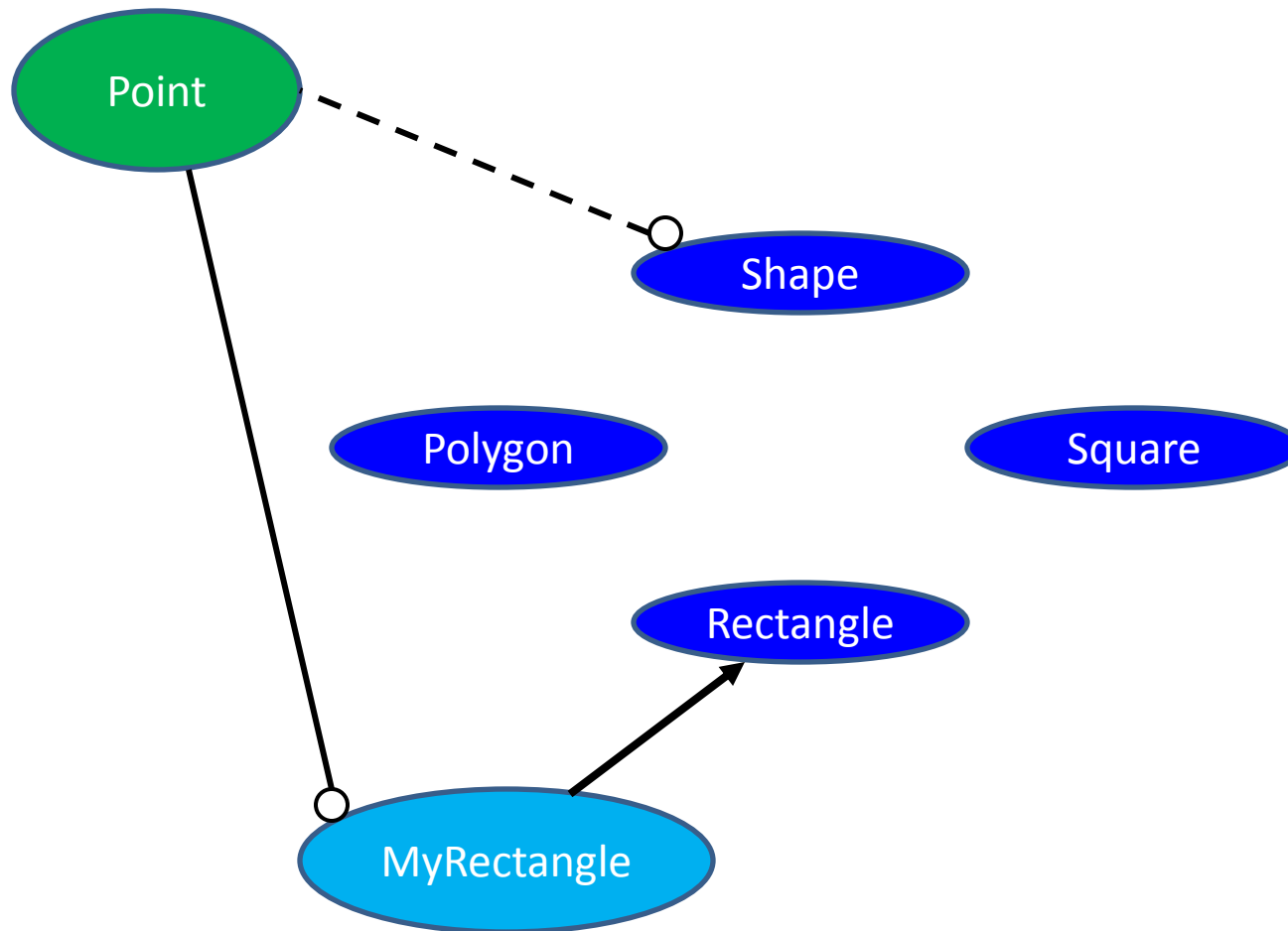
Incorporating implementation with interface inheritance:

- Makes software brittle, inflexible, and hard to maintain.
- Exposes public clients to physical (compile- and link-time) dependencies on the shared implementation.
- Adds nothing that cannot be done with pure interface inheritance and layering.

Its only value is as a syntactic expedient!

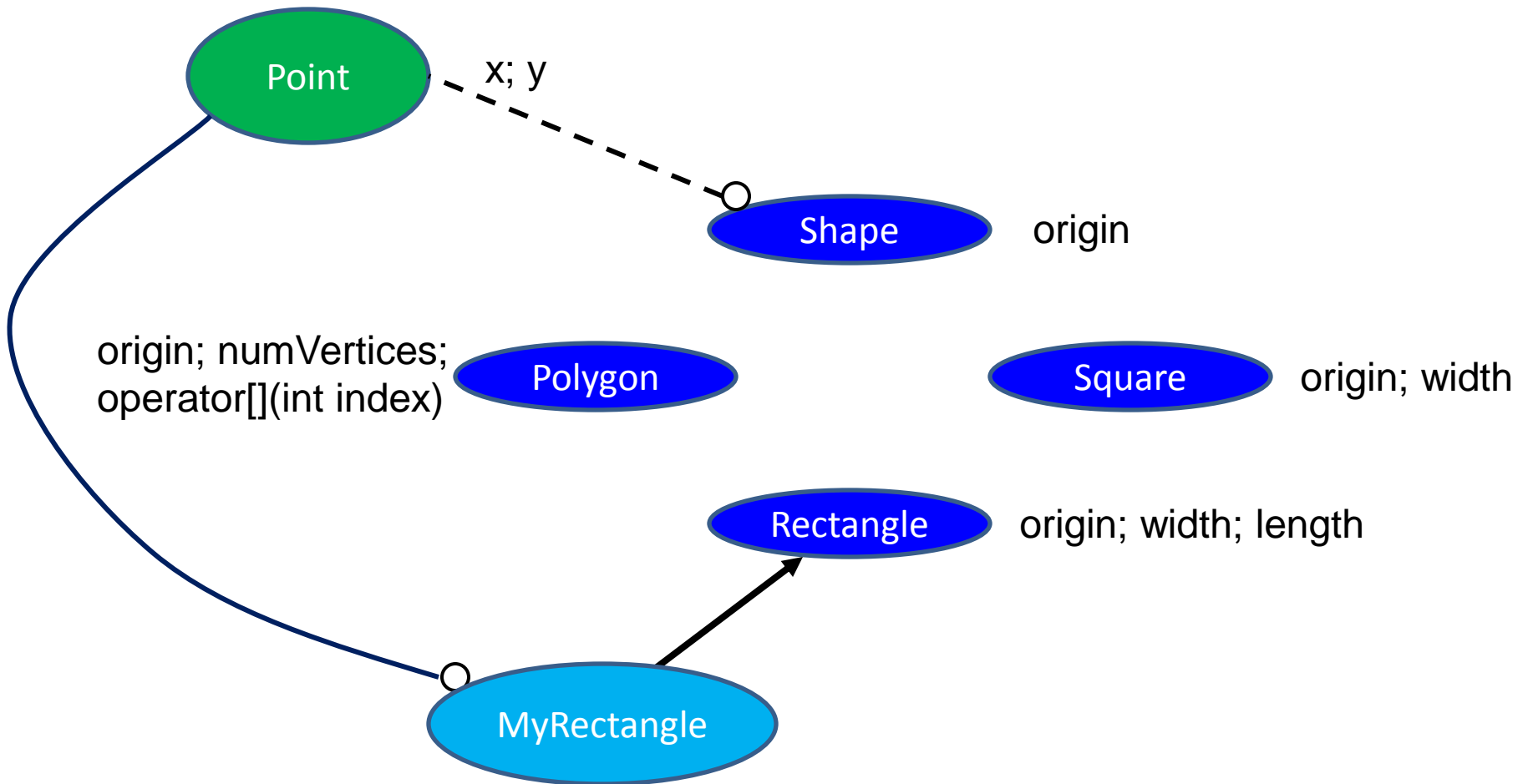
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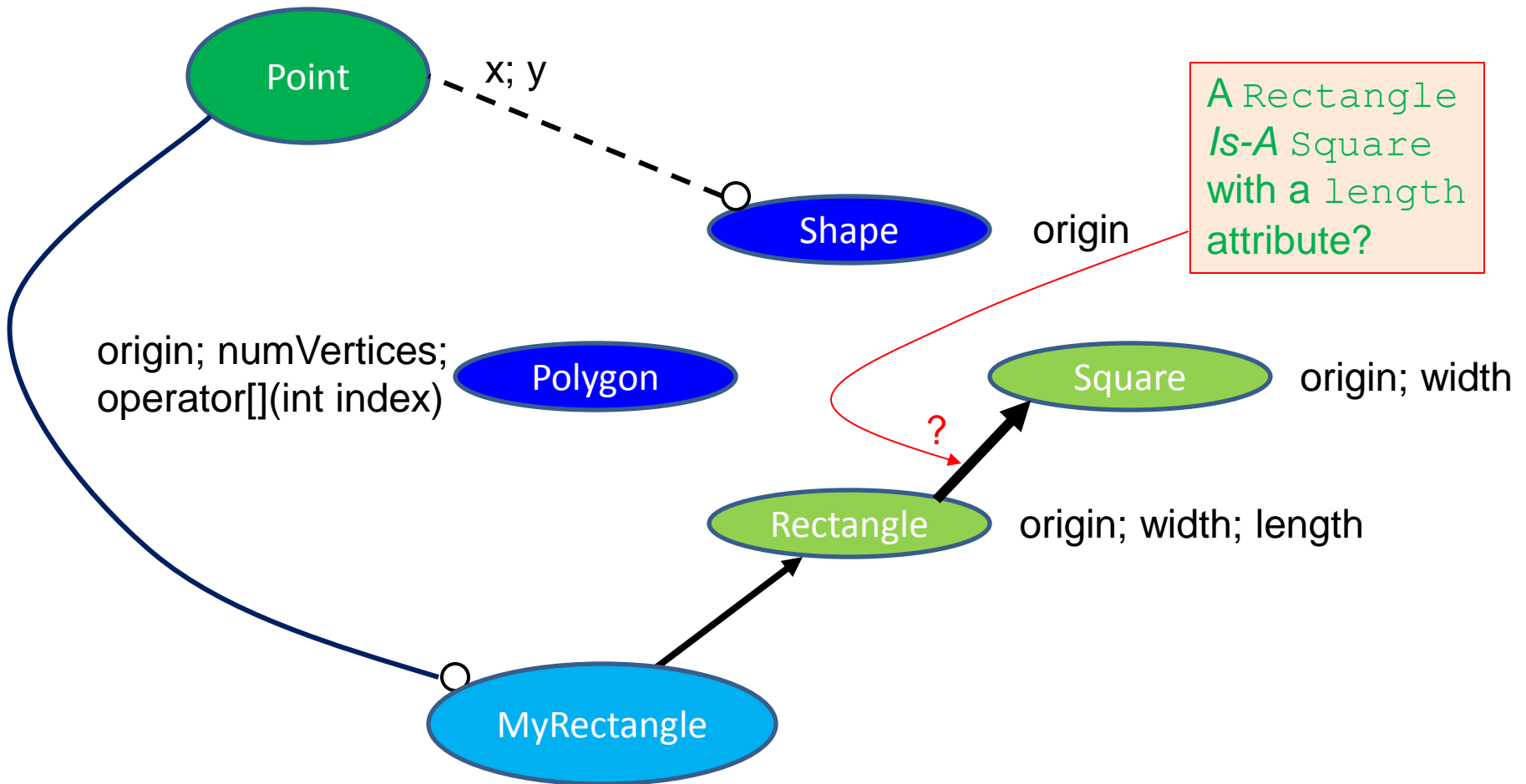
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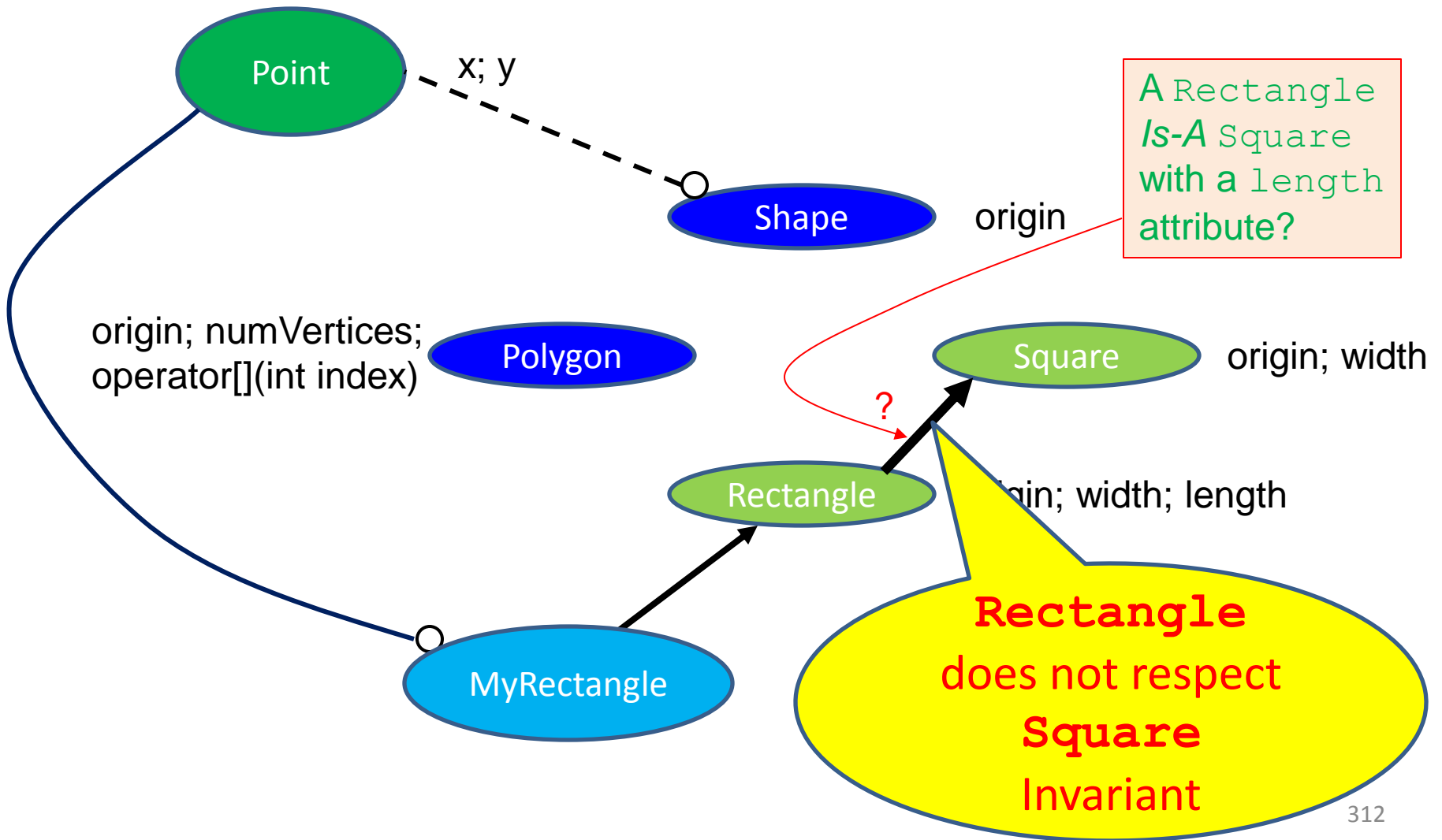
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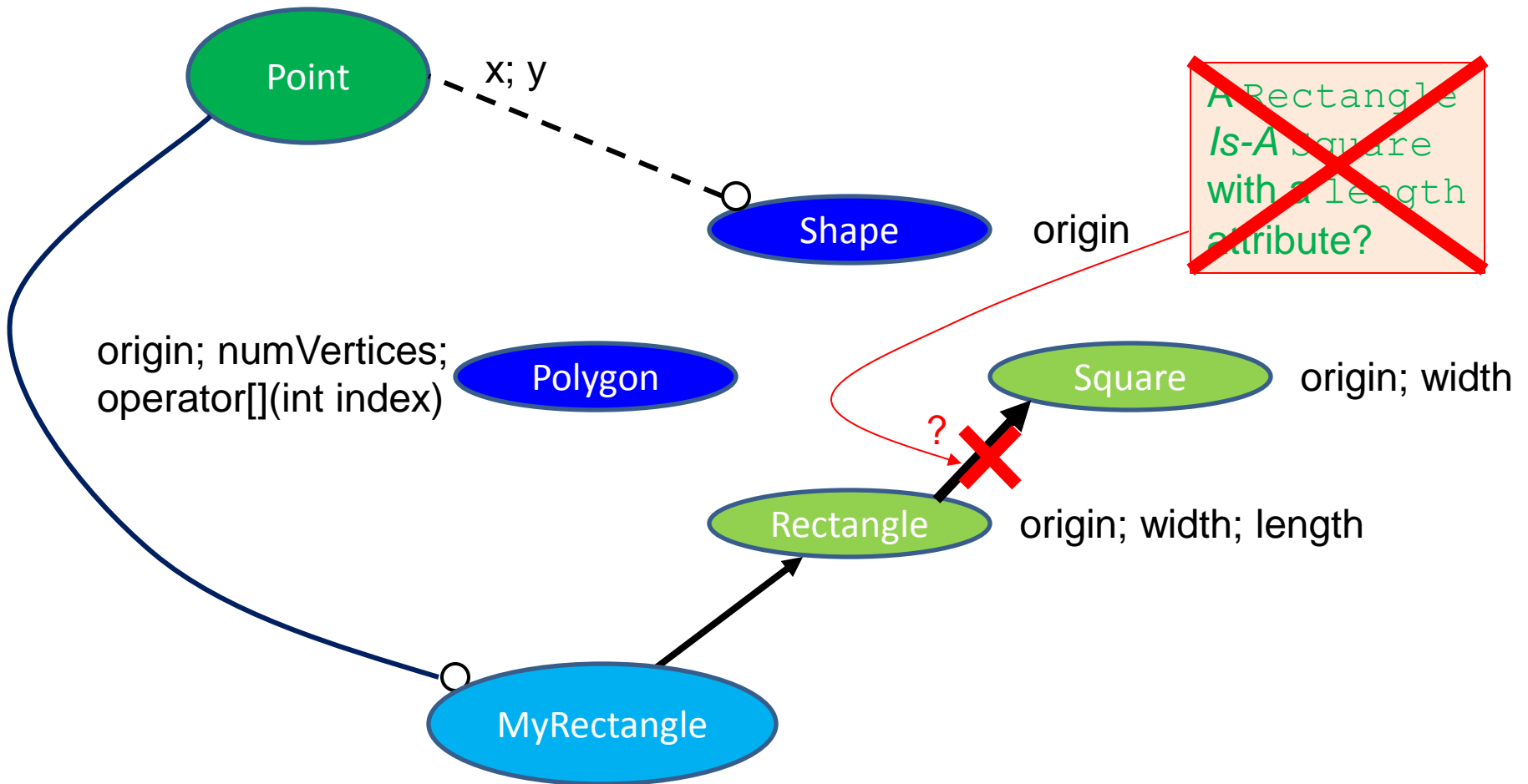
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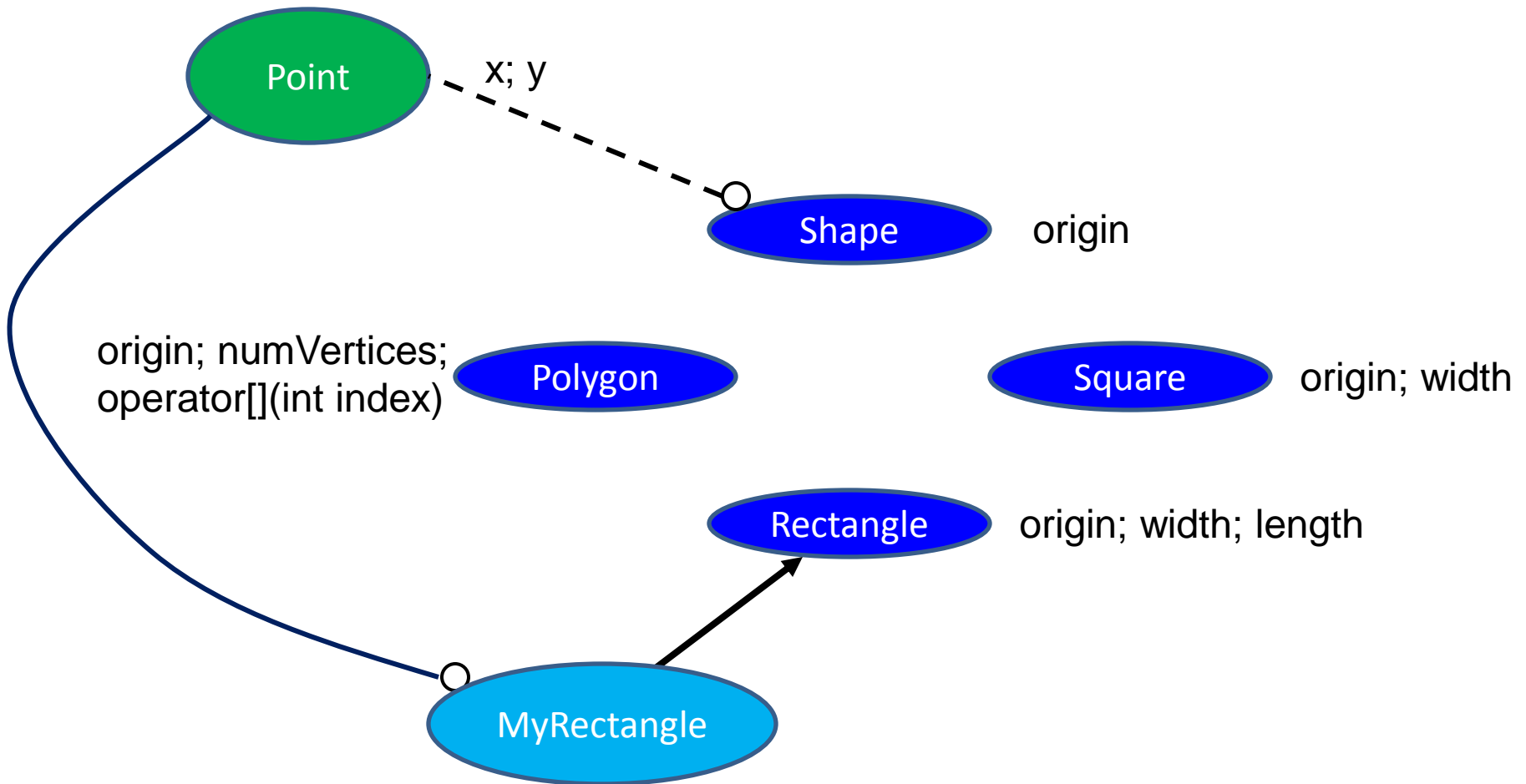
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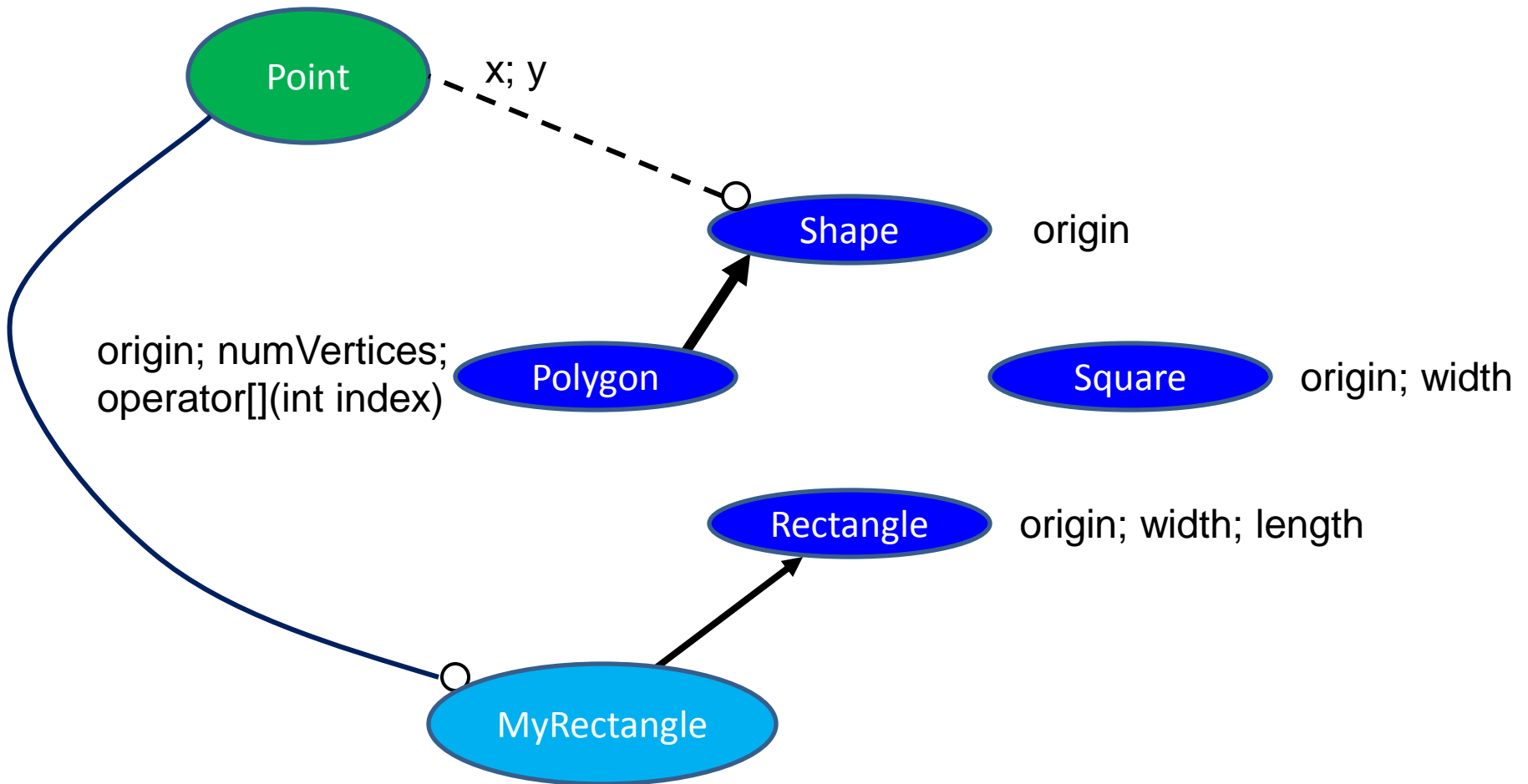
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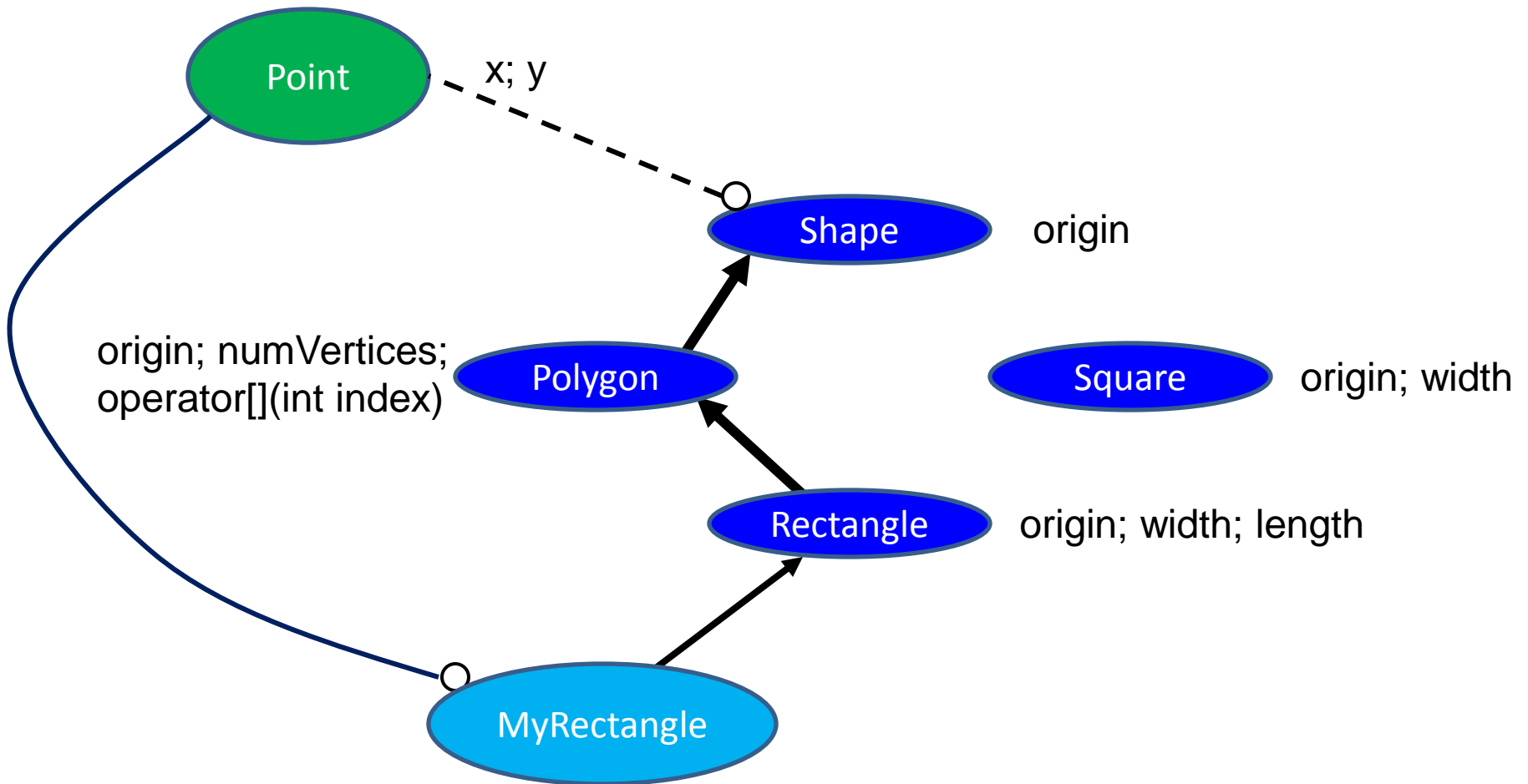
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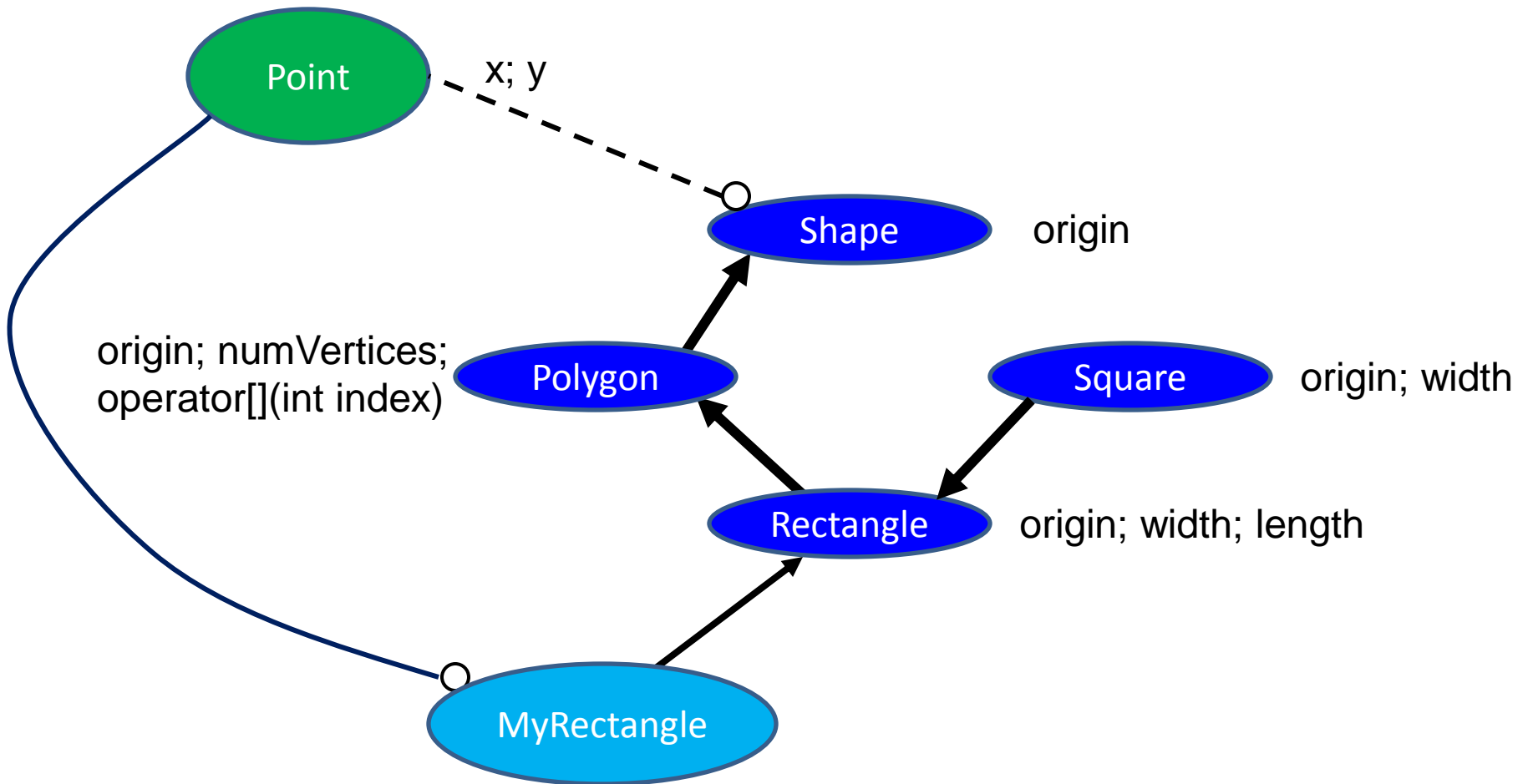
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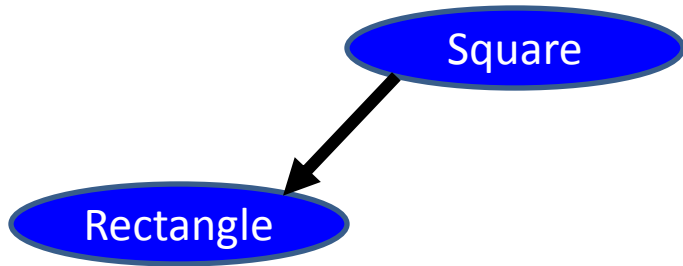
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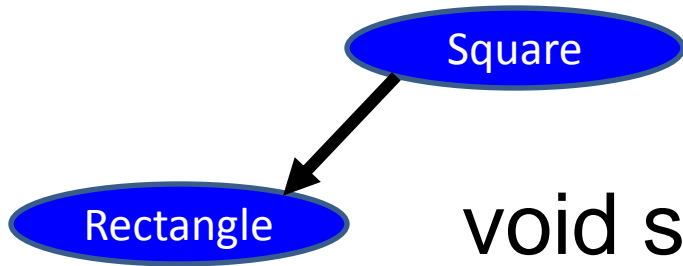
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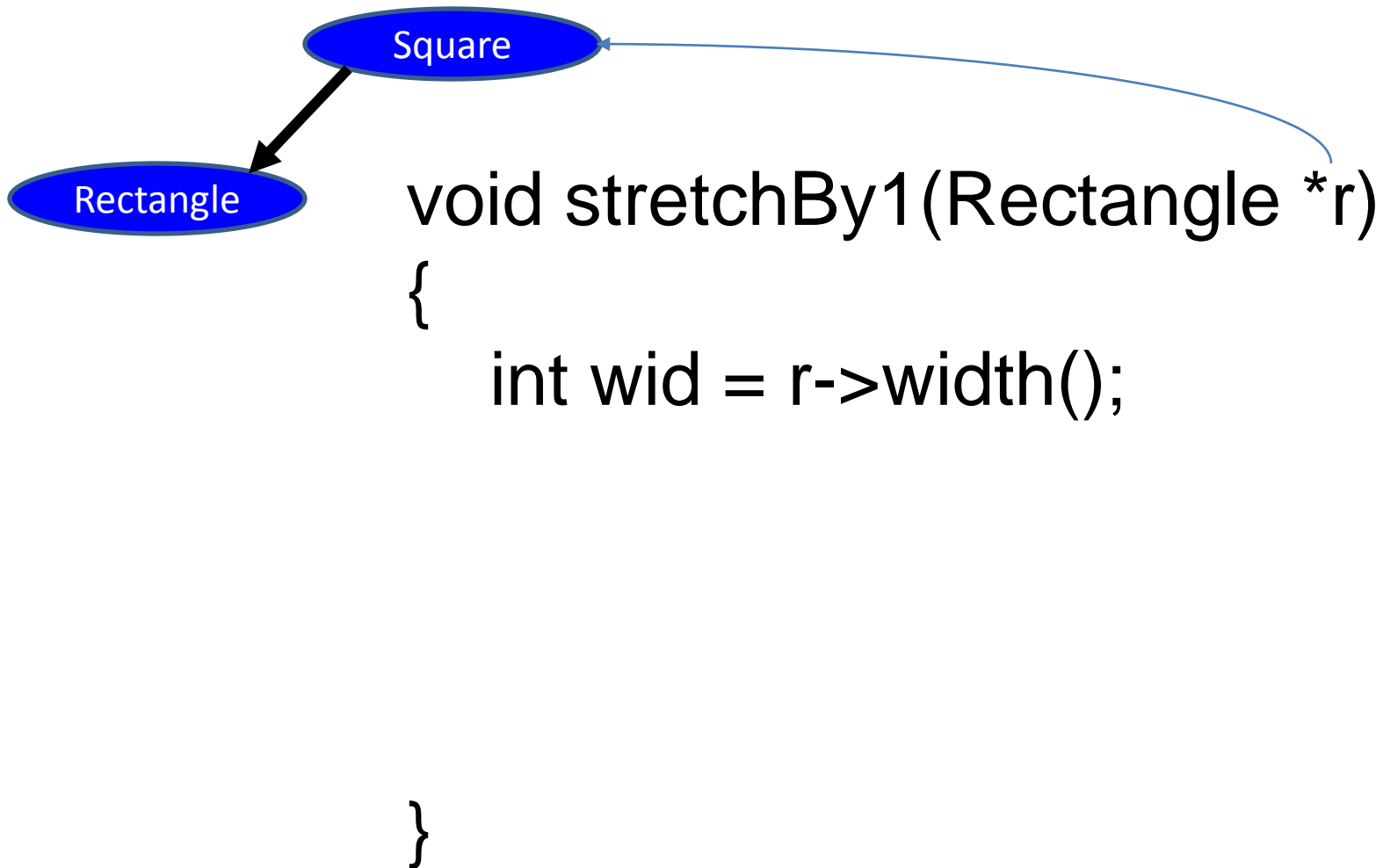


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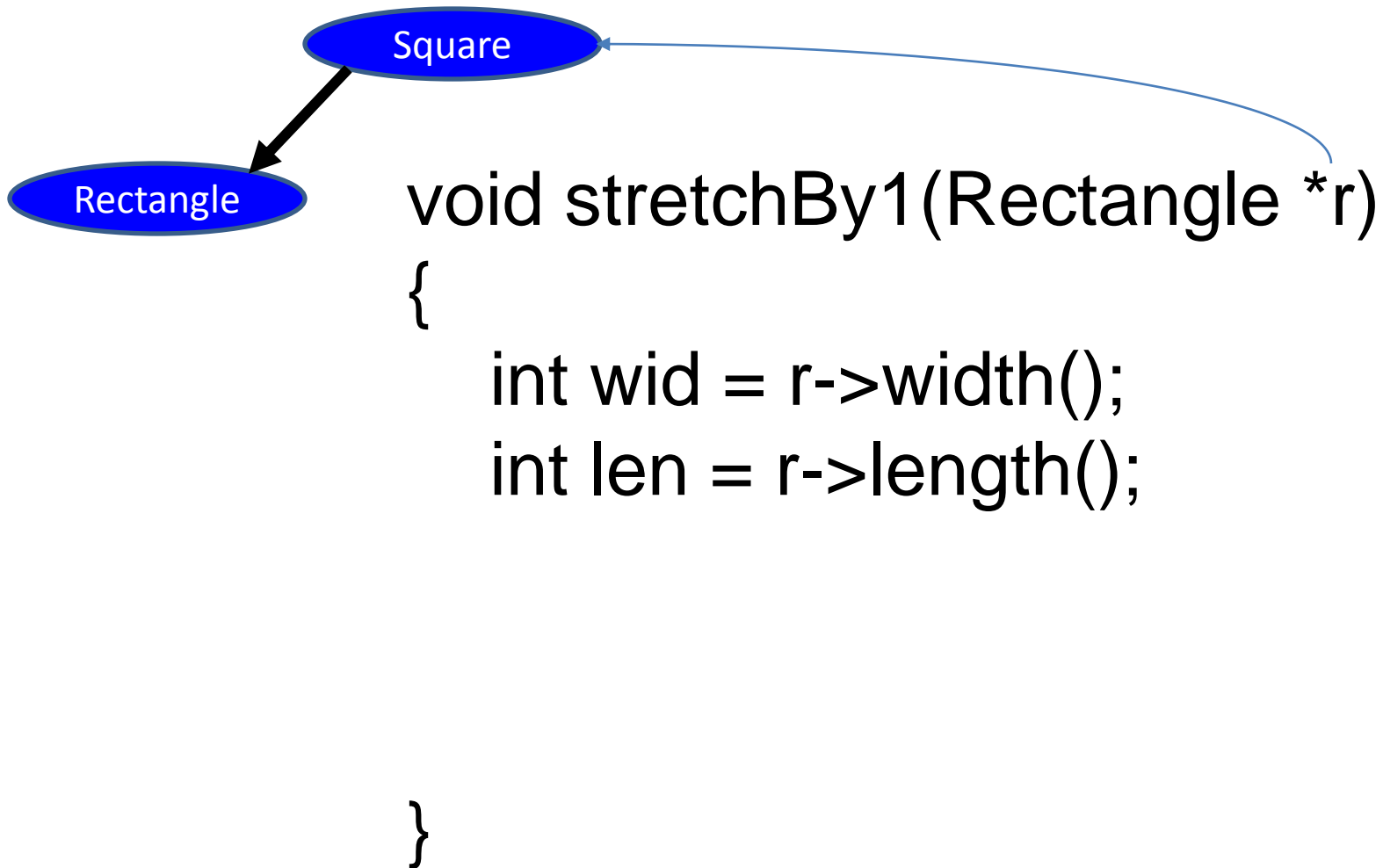

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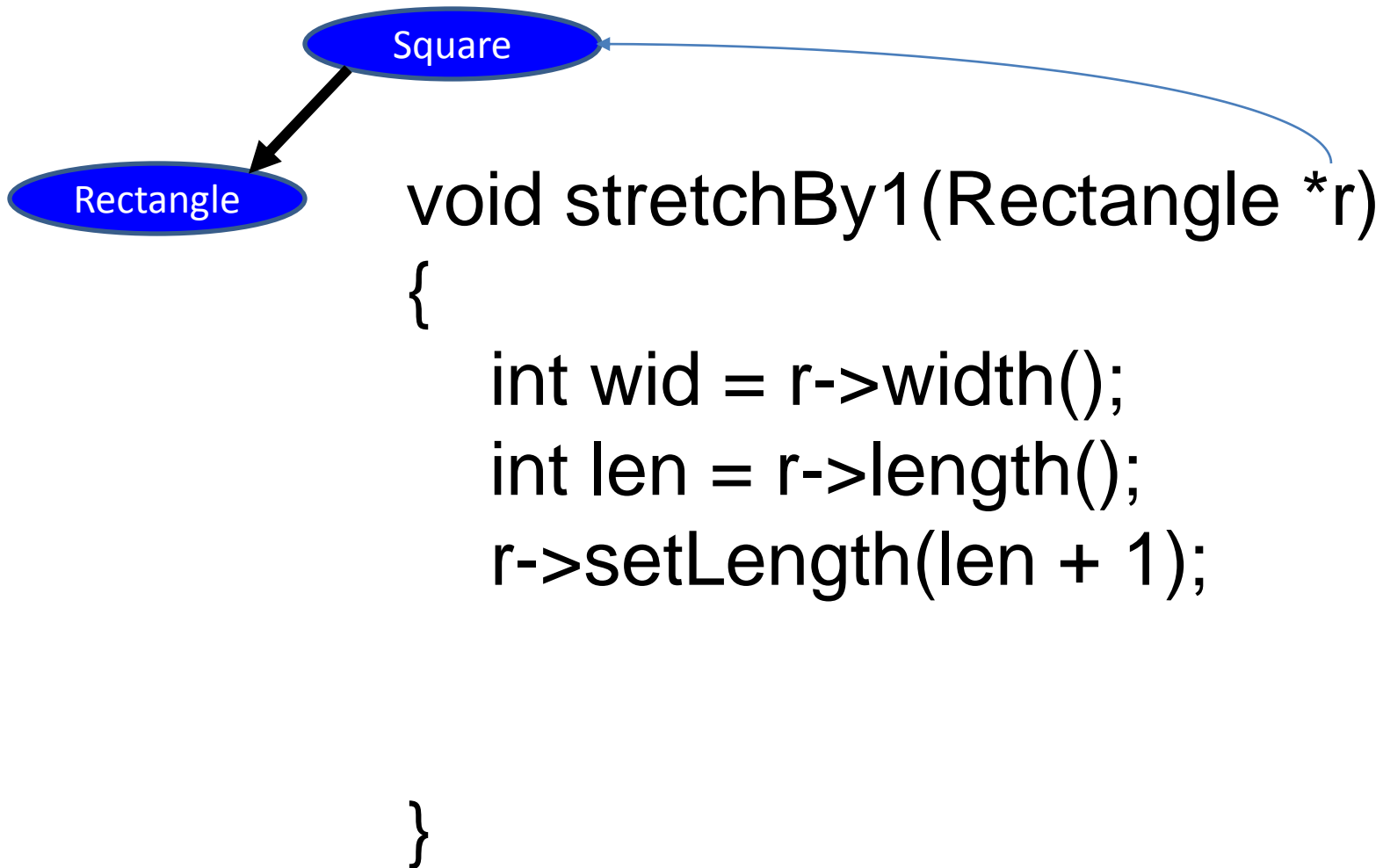
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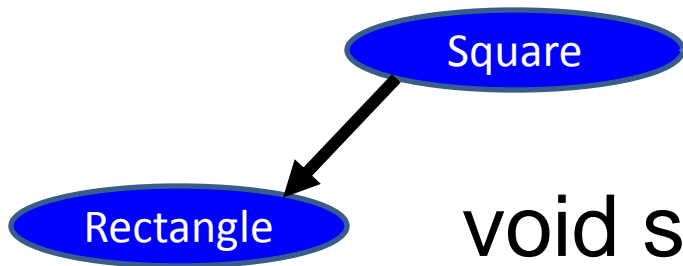
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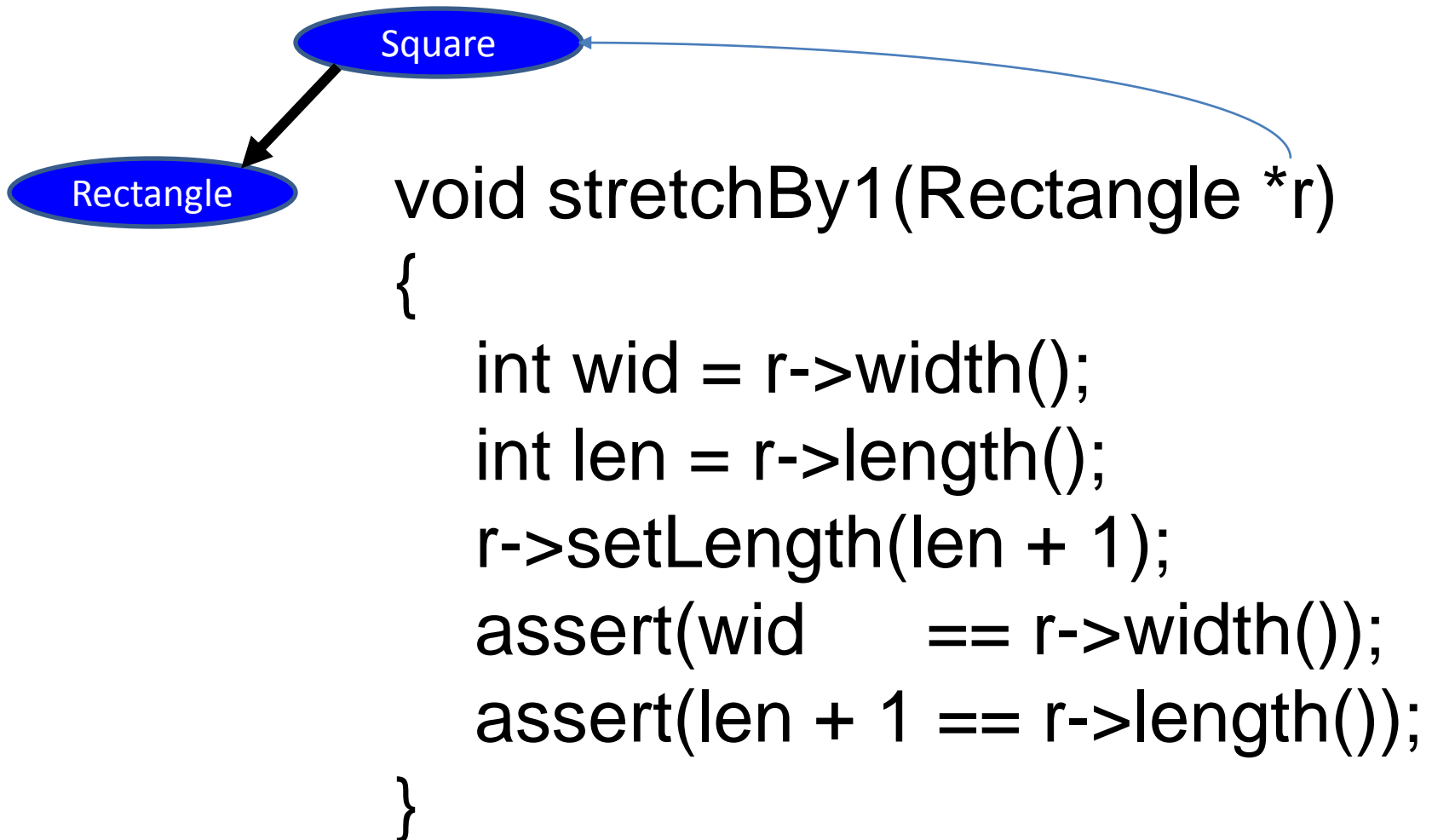
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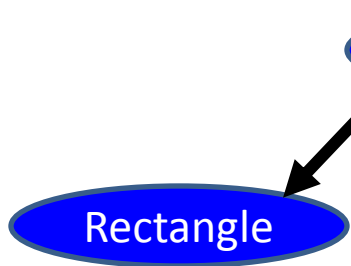
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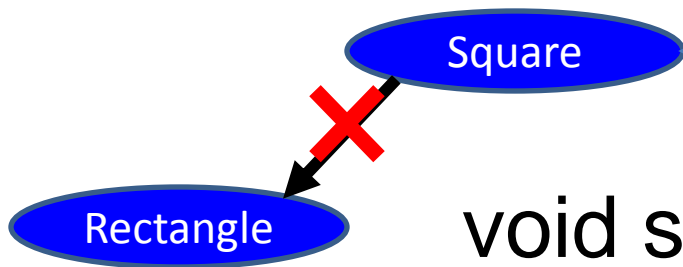
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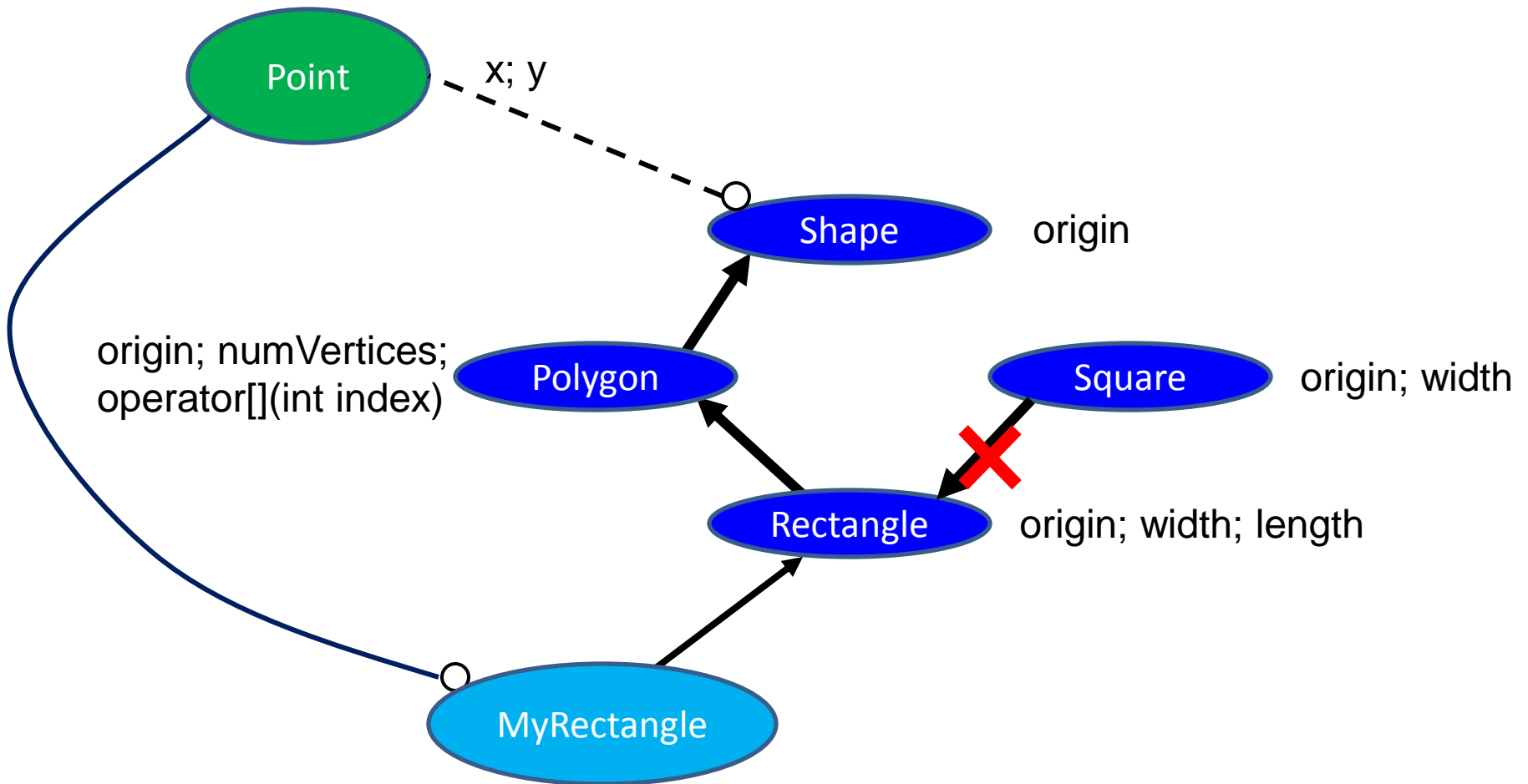
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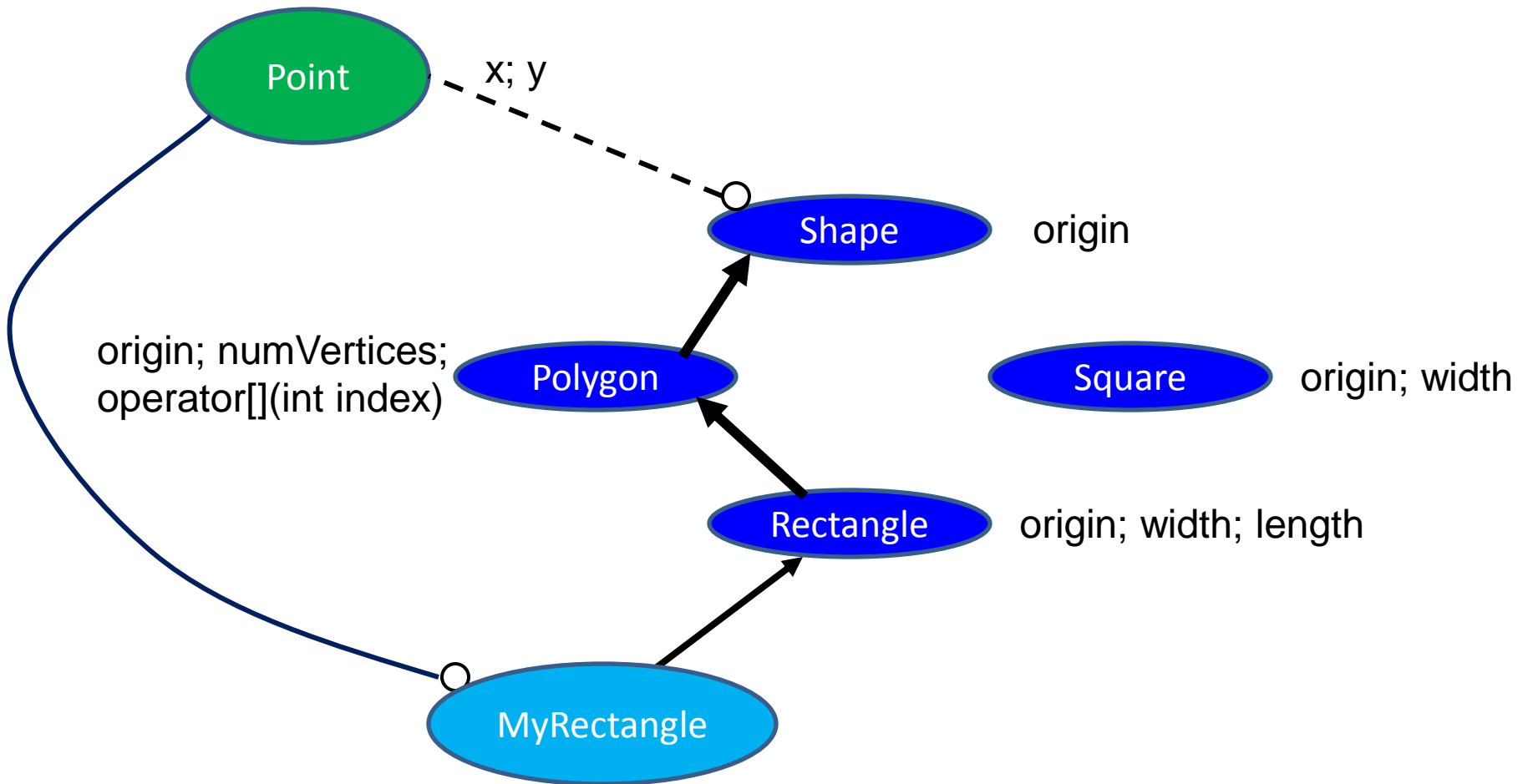
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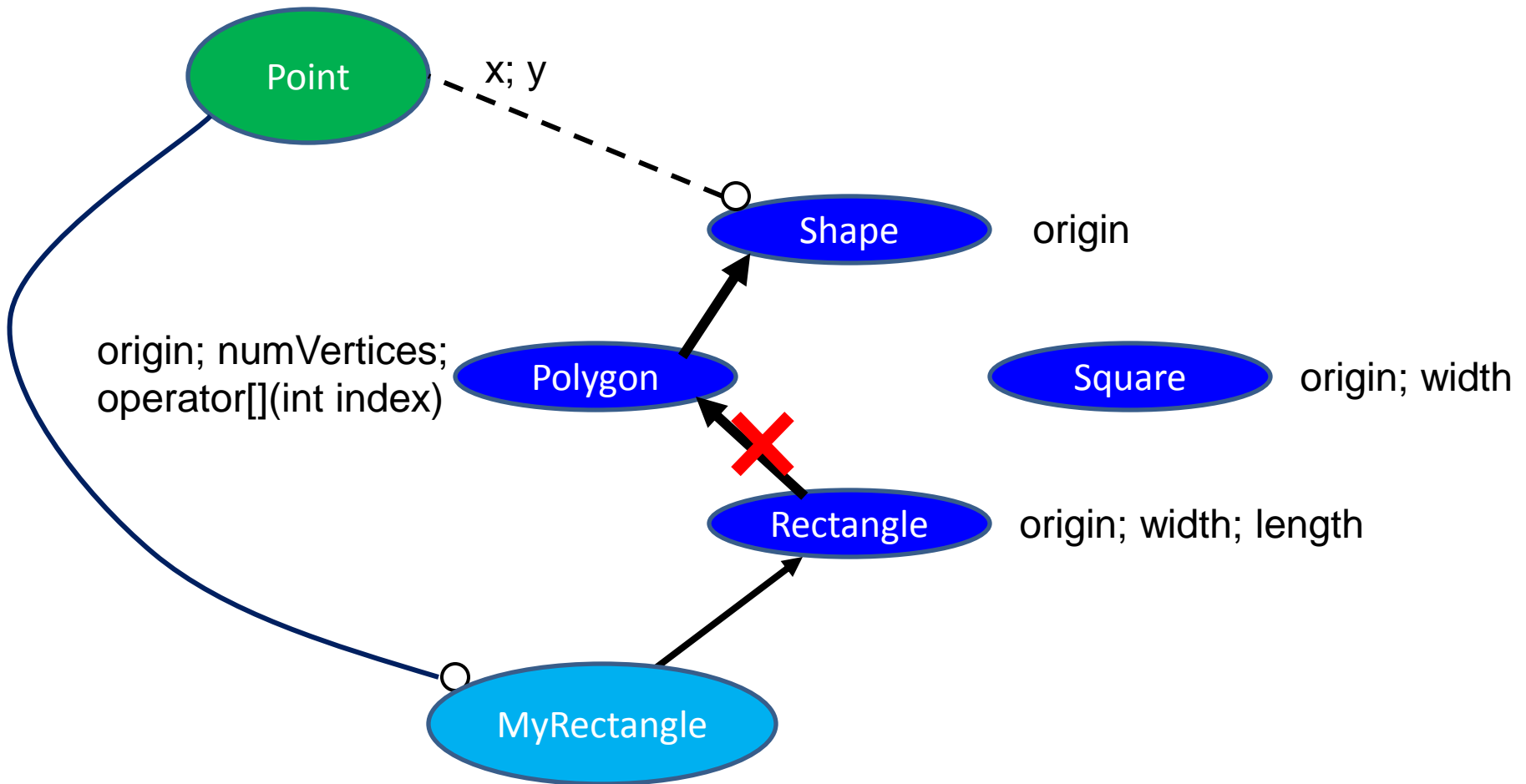
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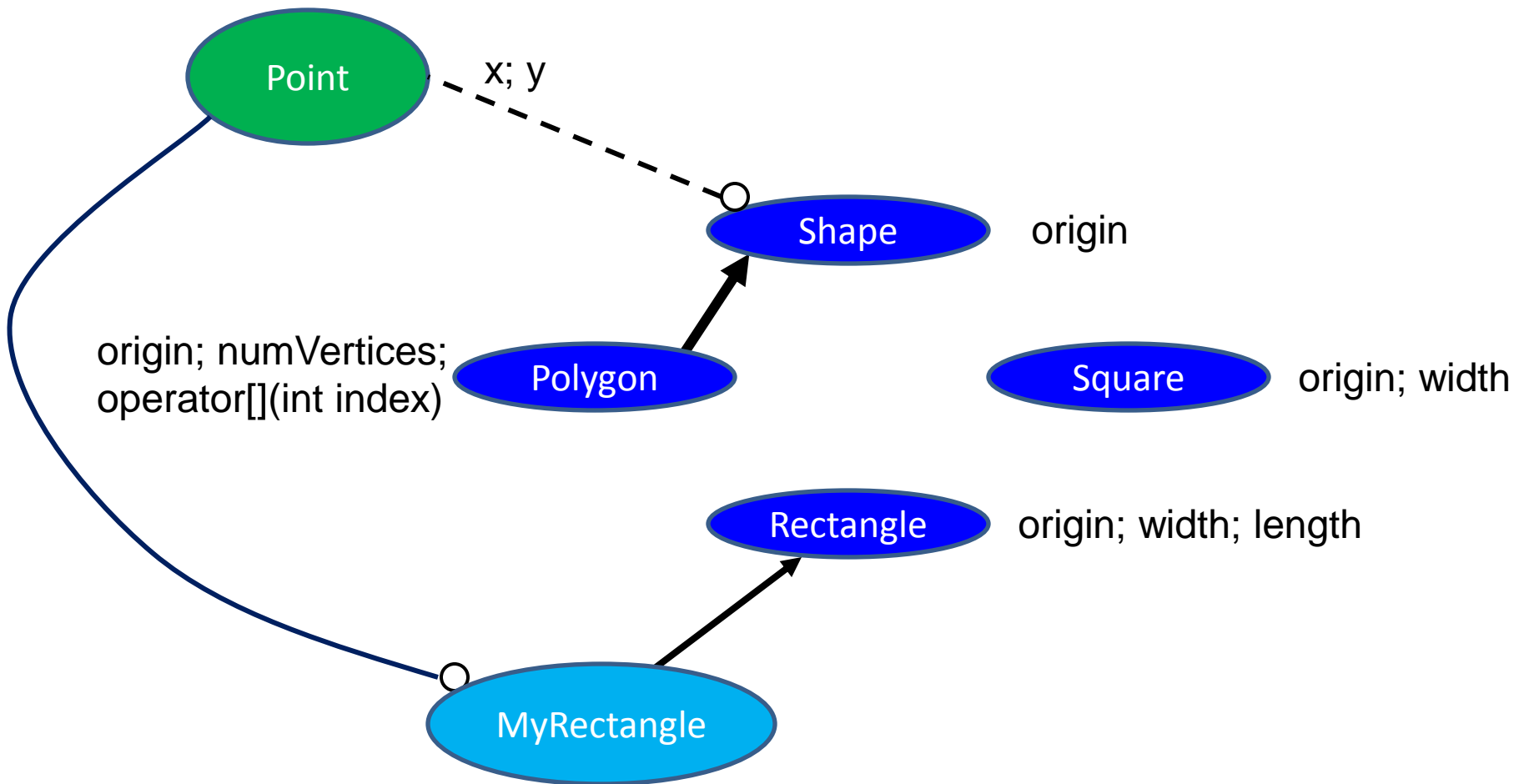
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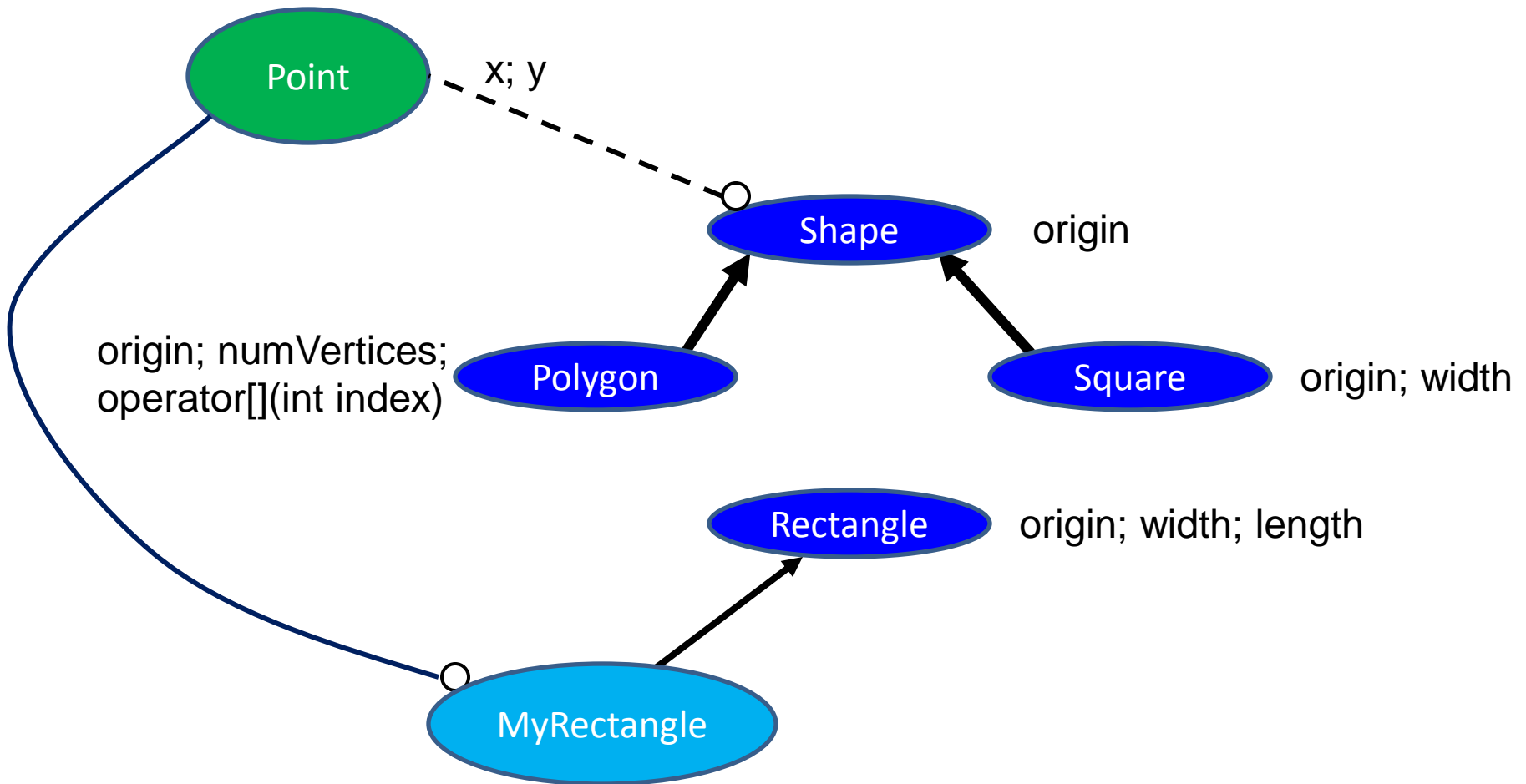
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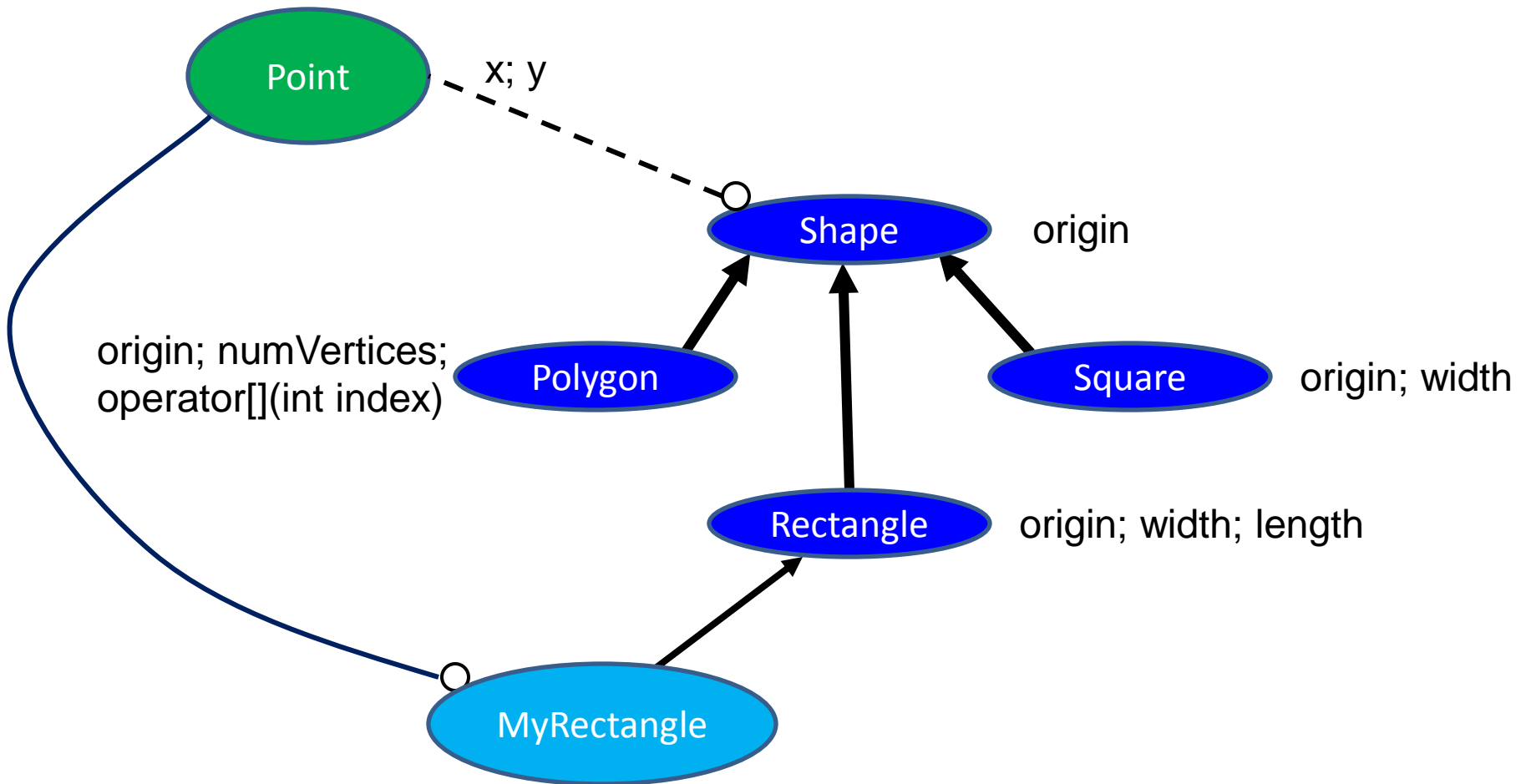
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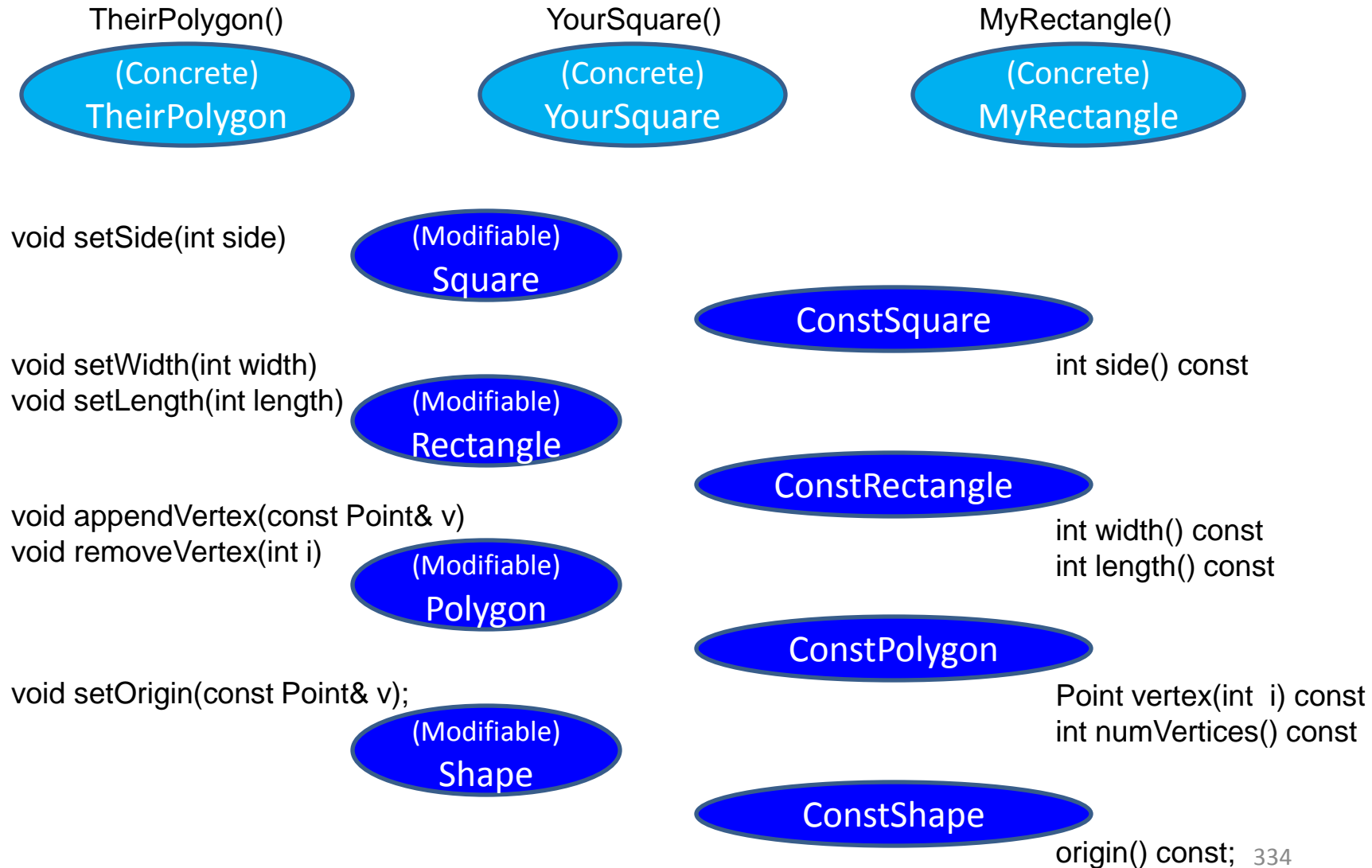
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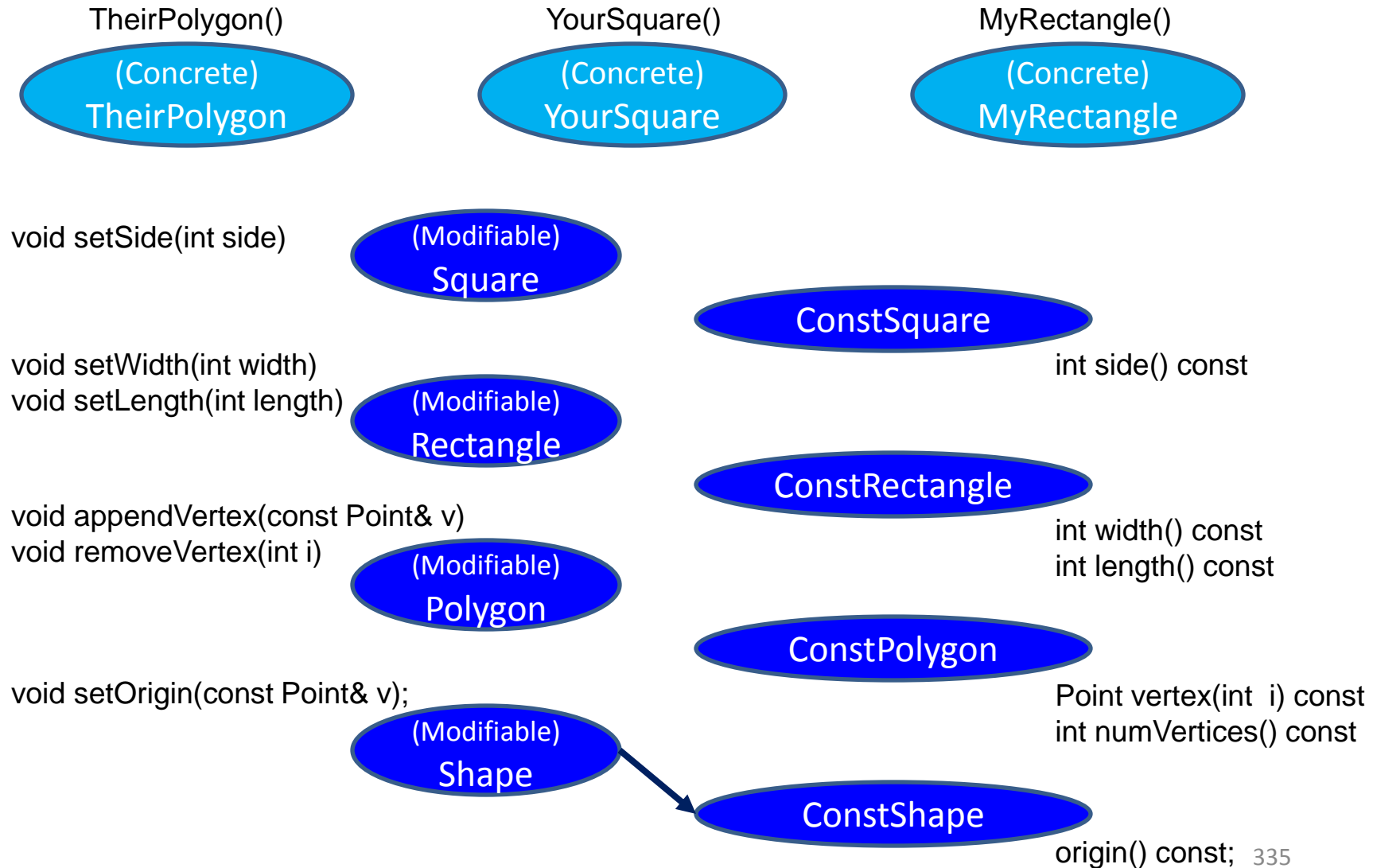
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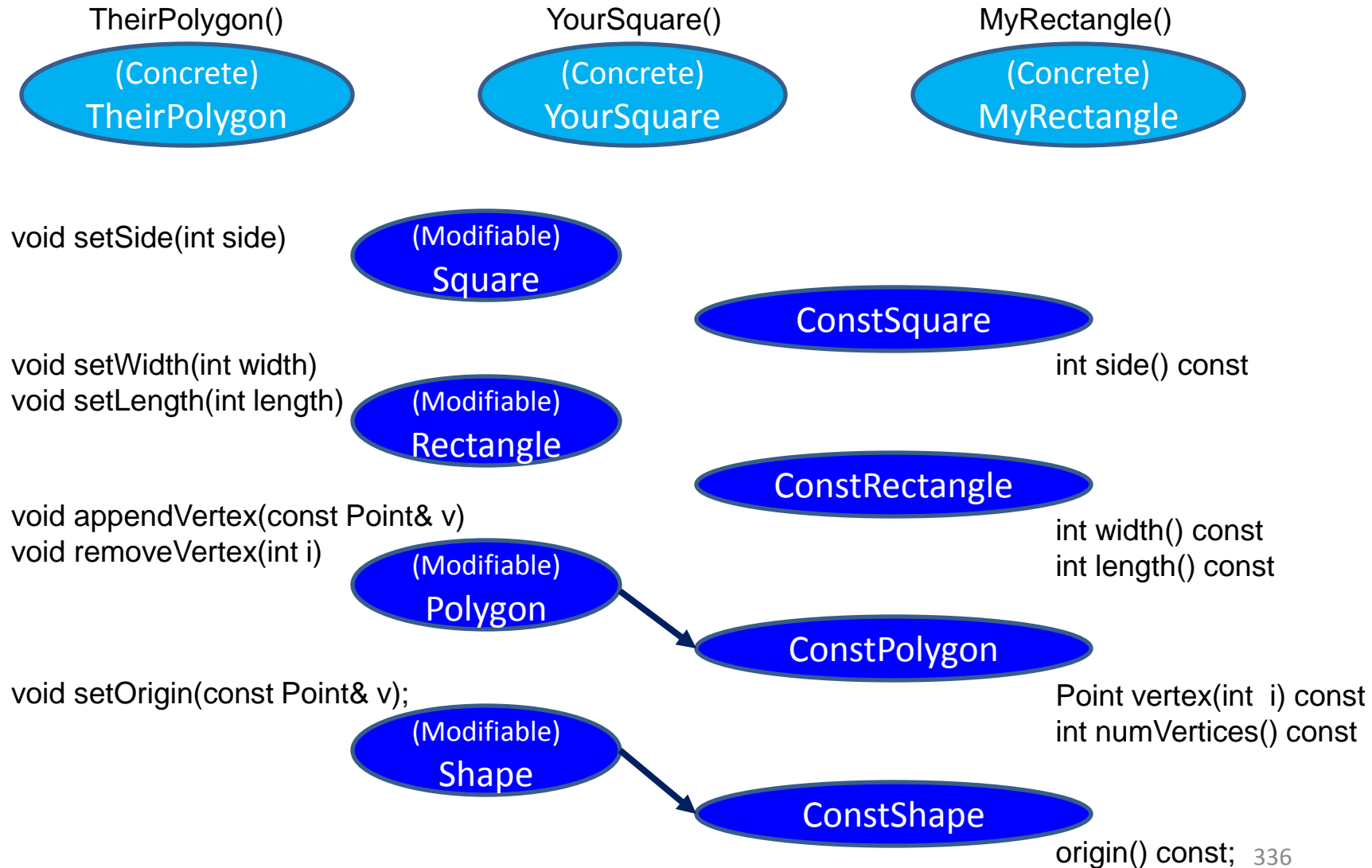
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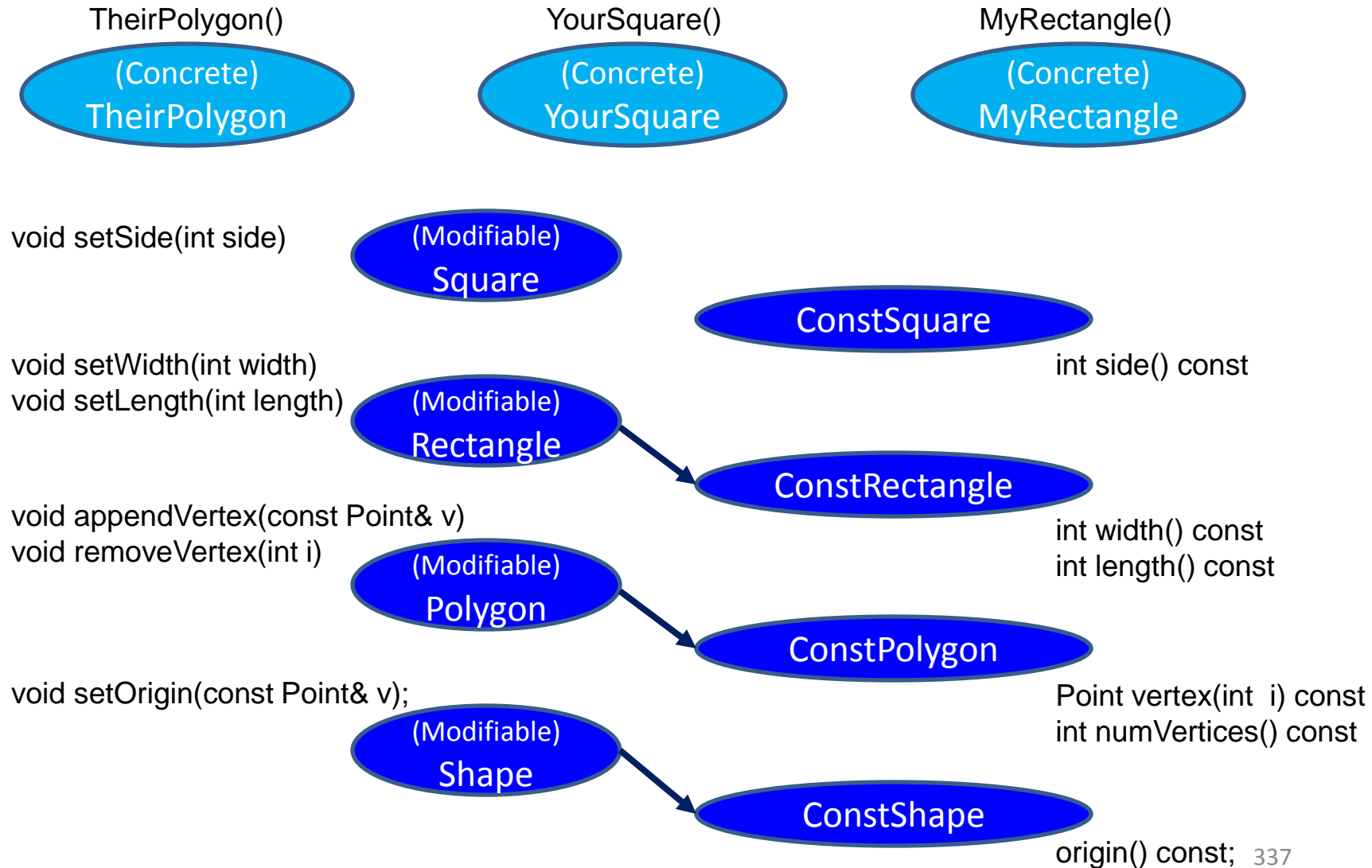
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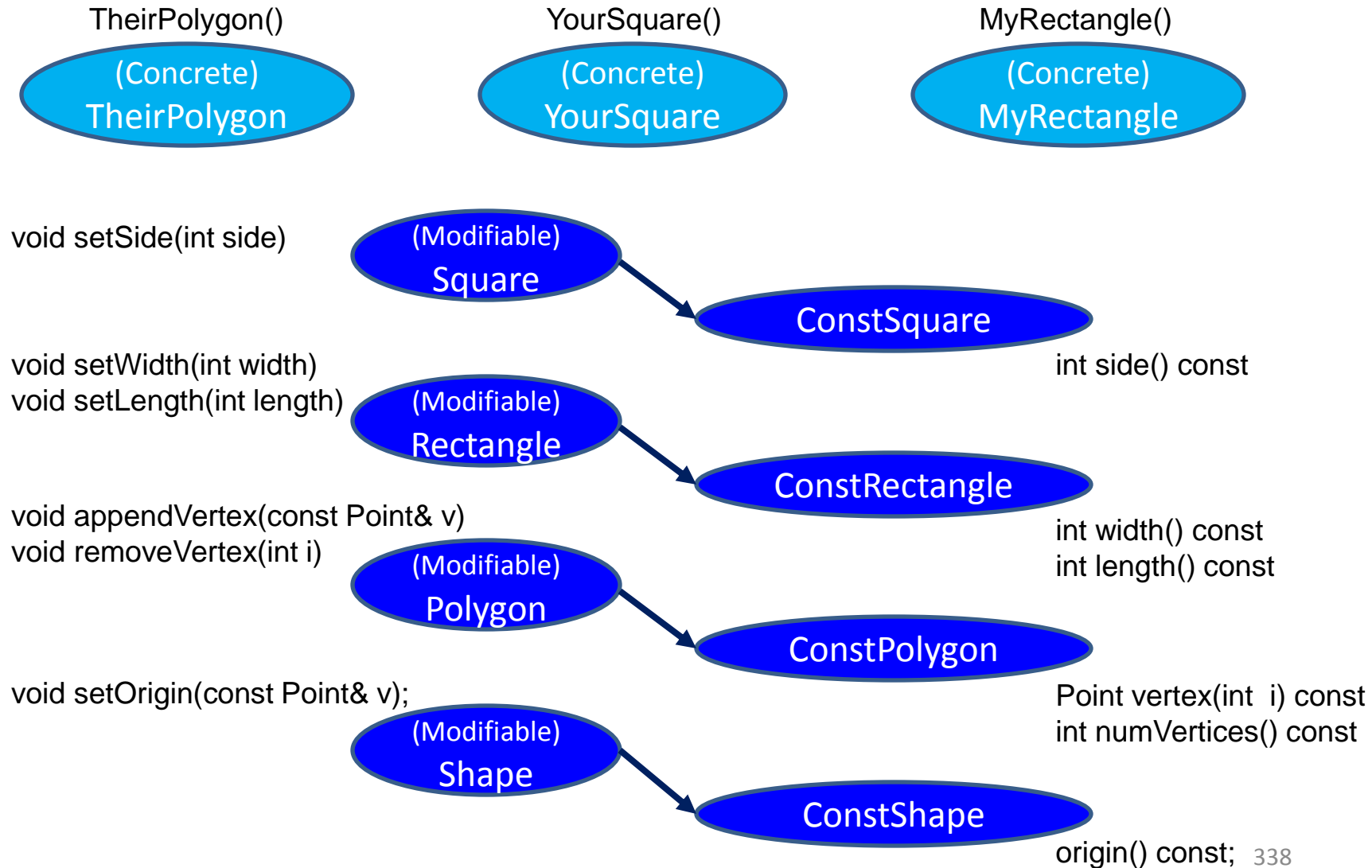
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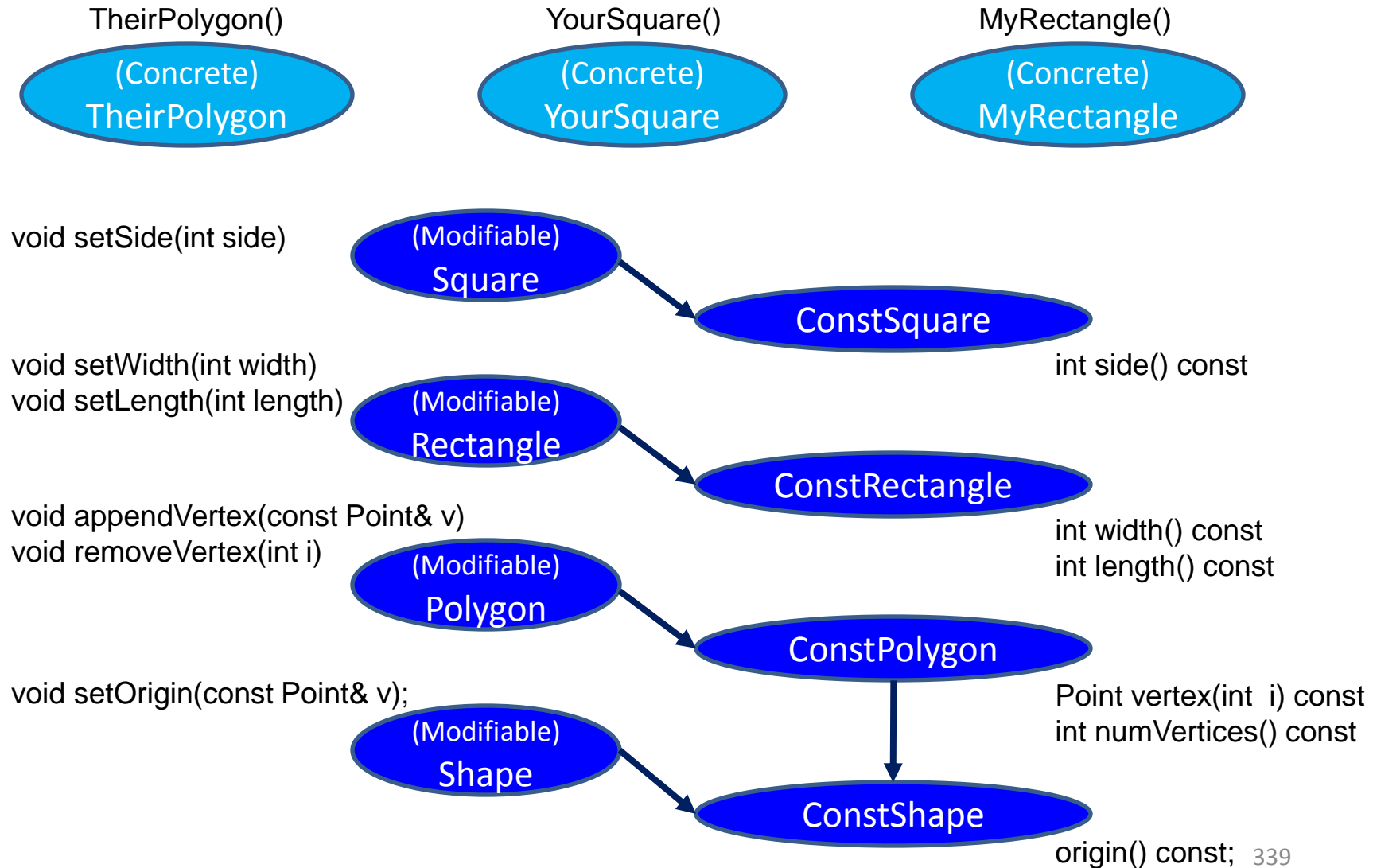
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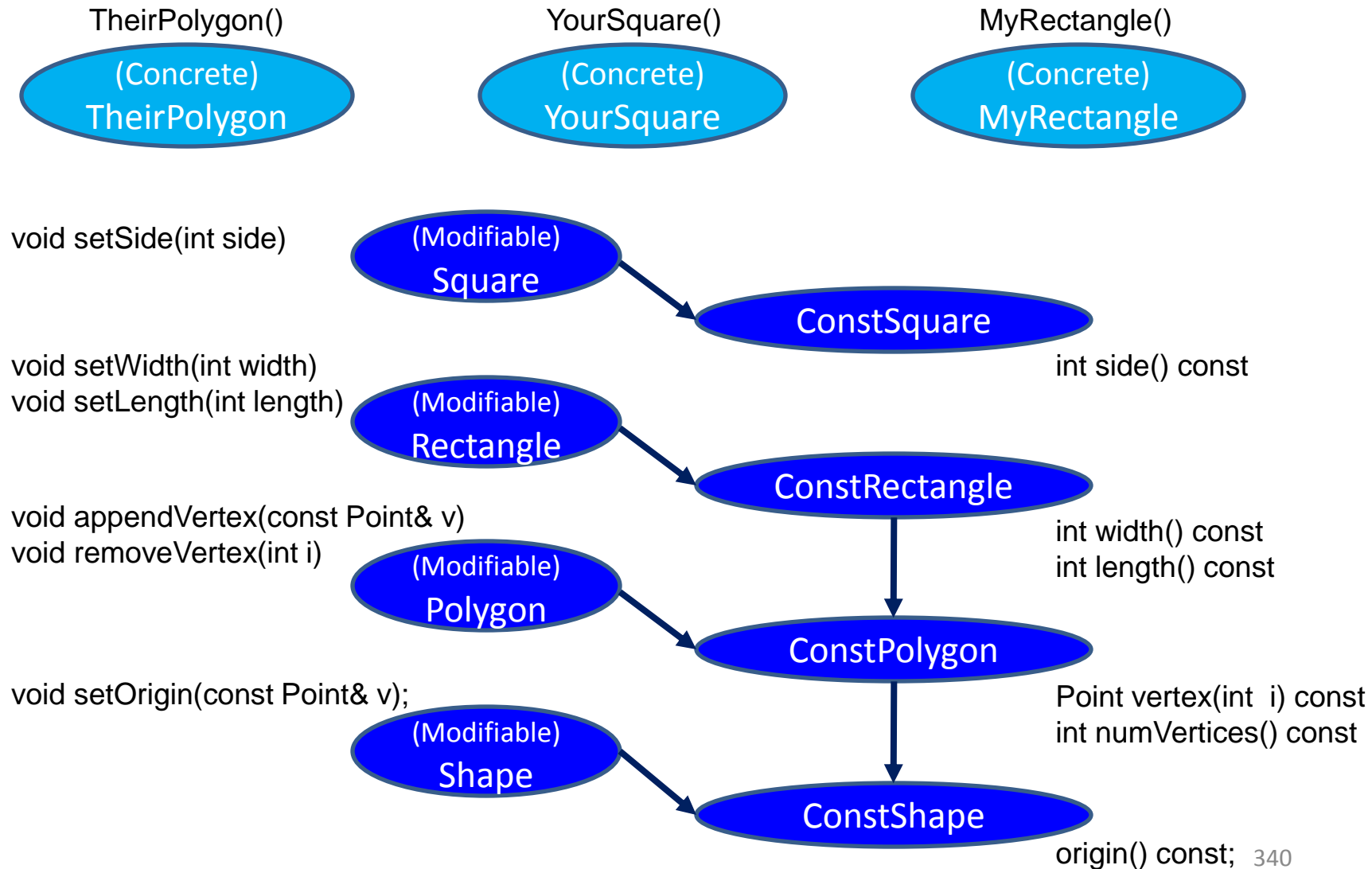
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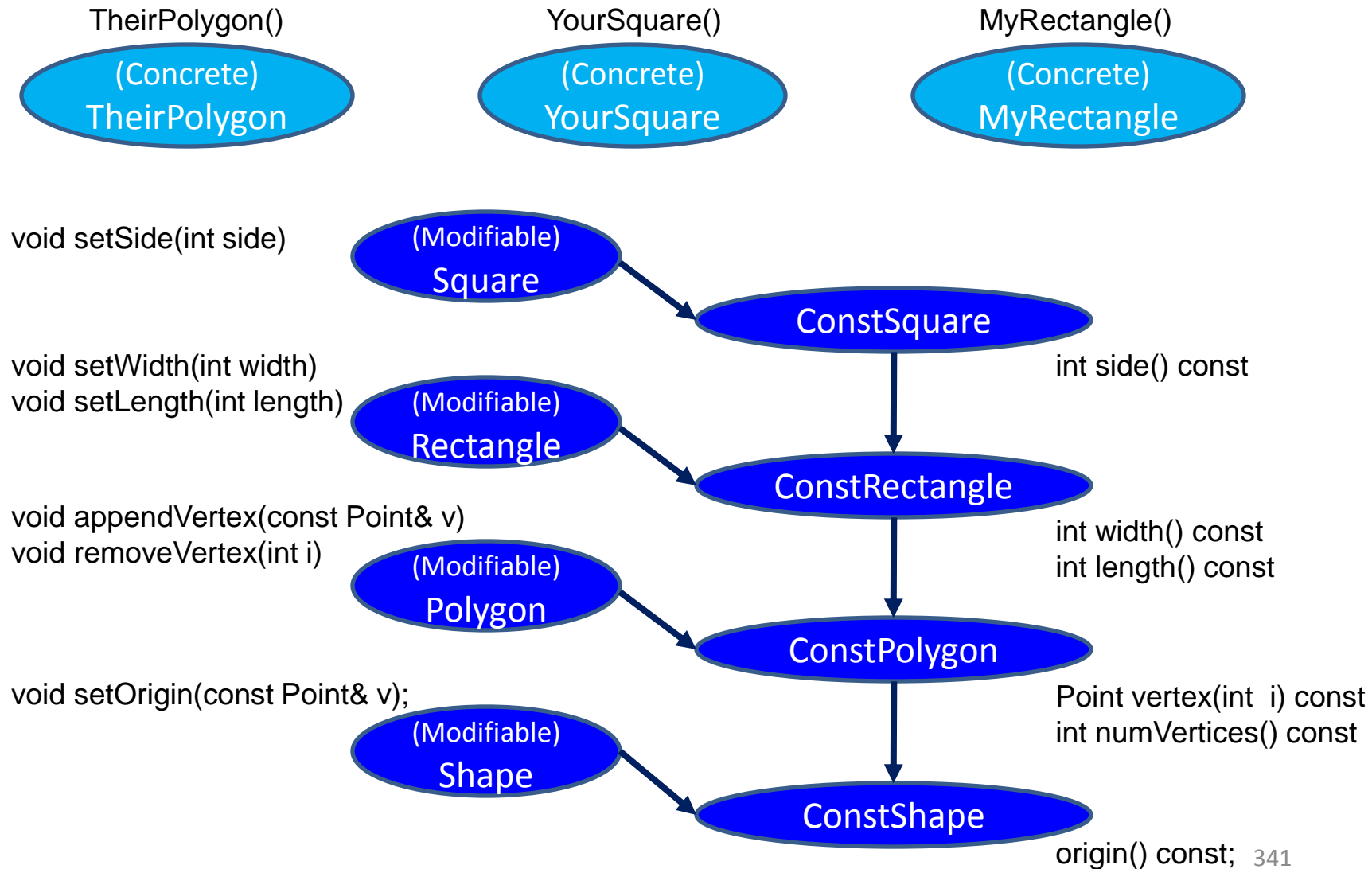
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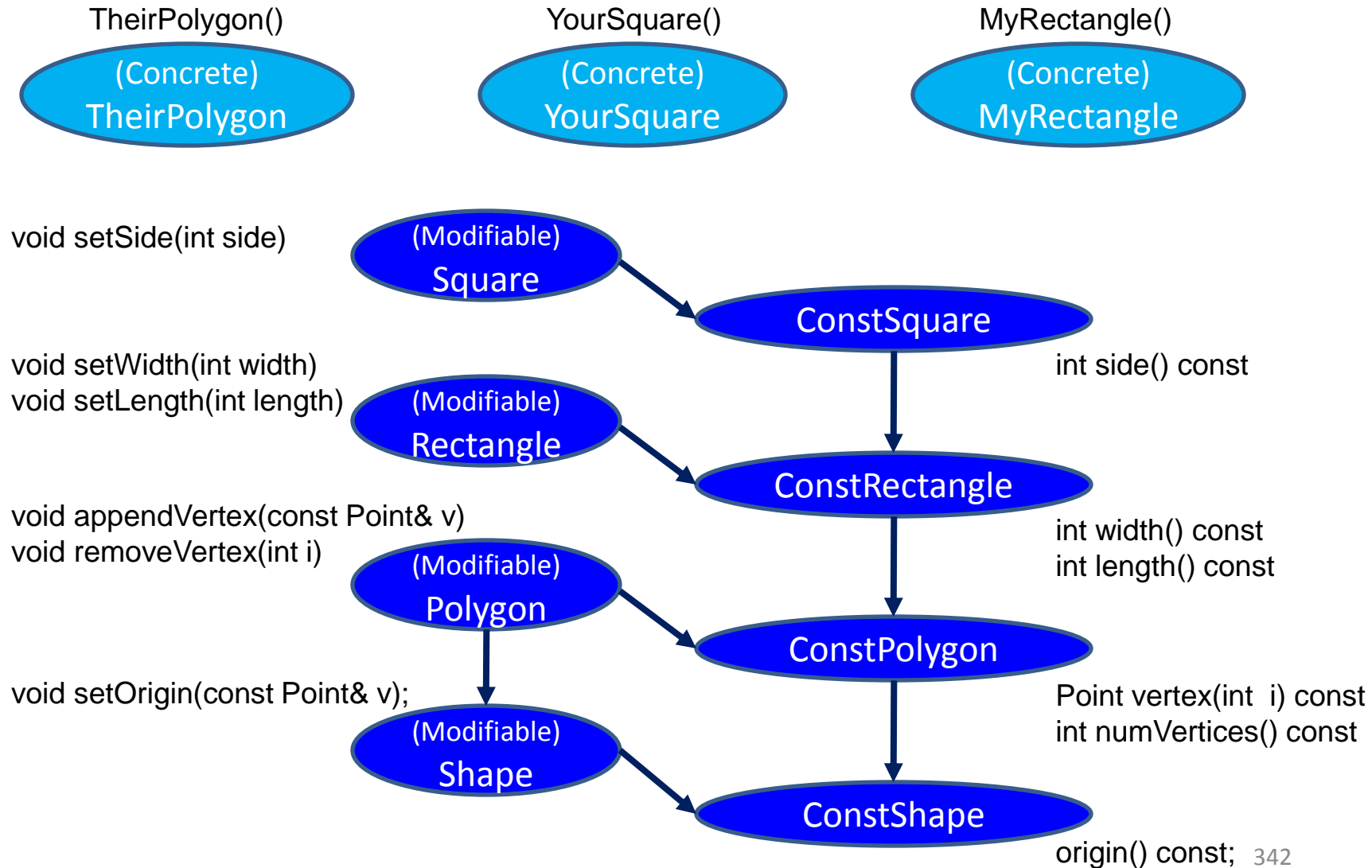
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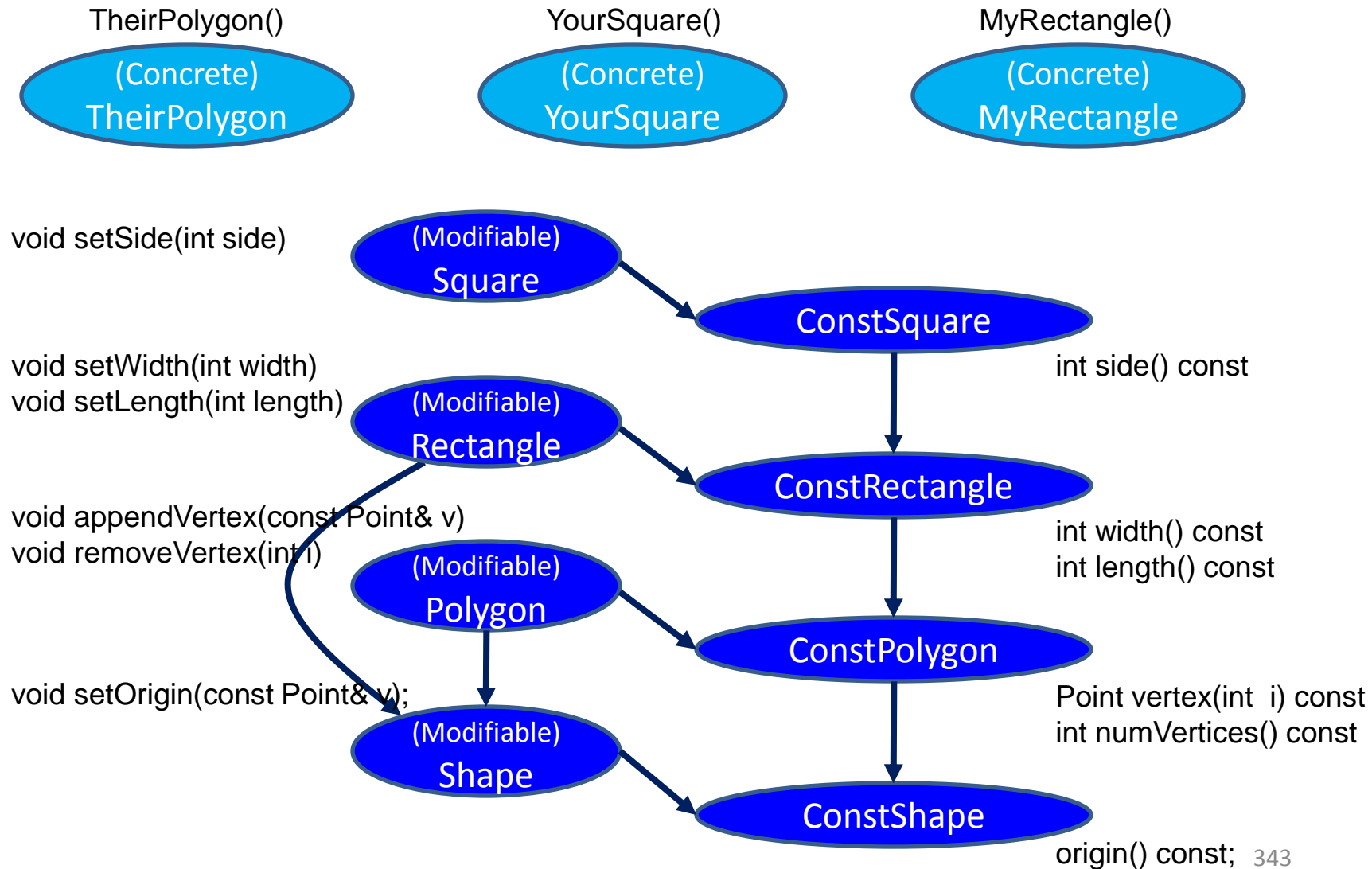
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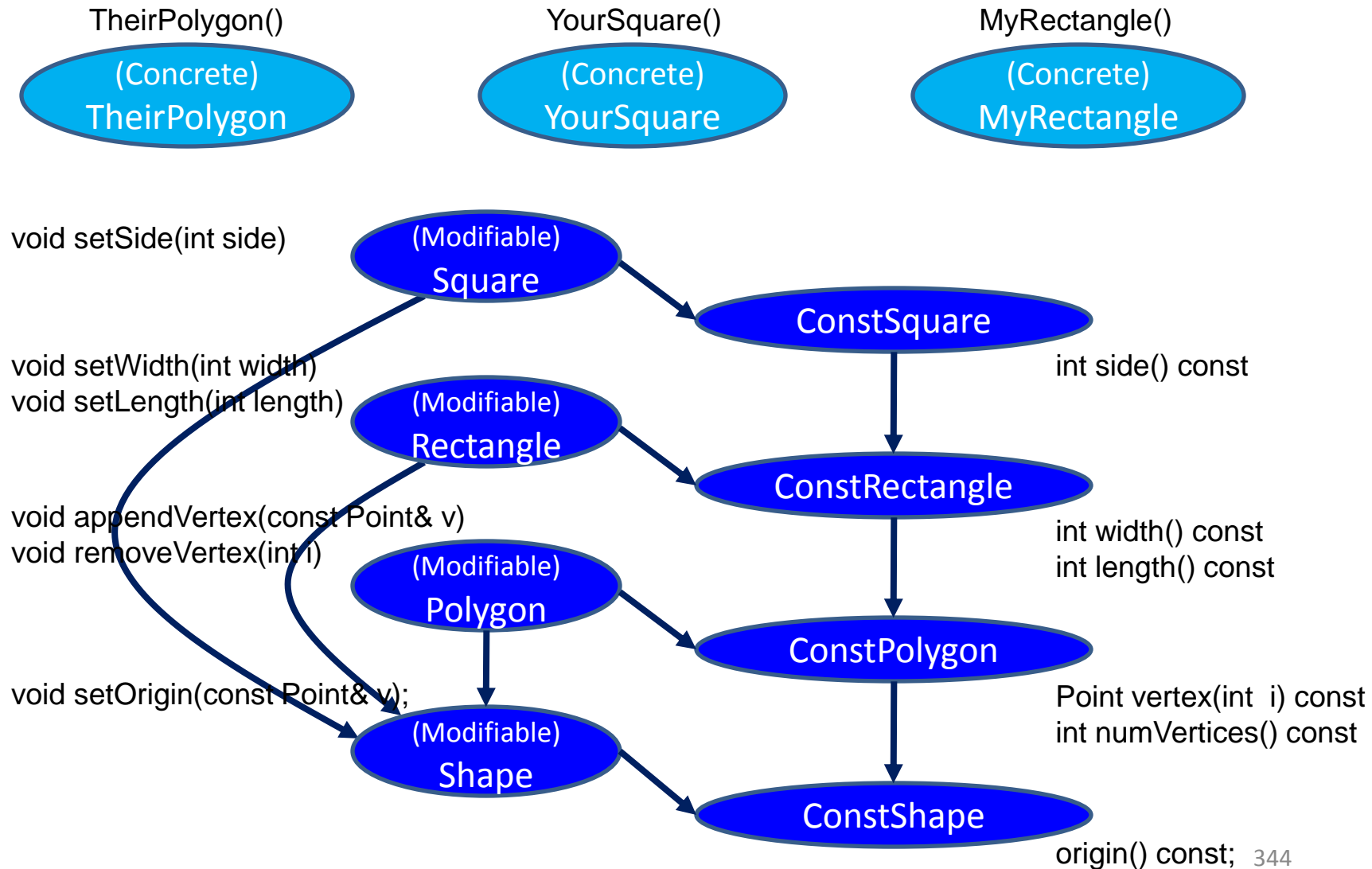
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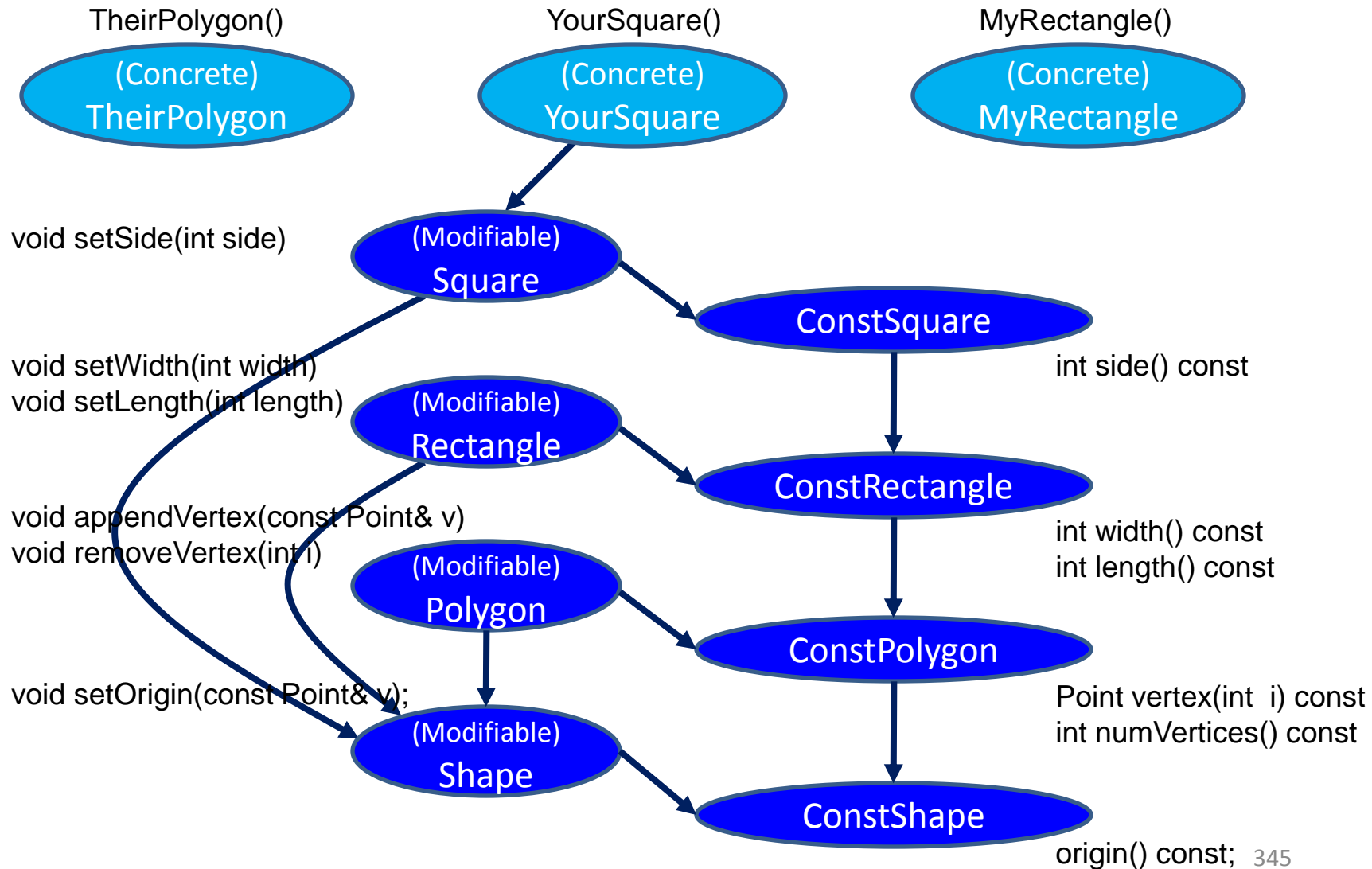
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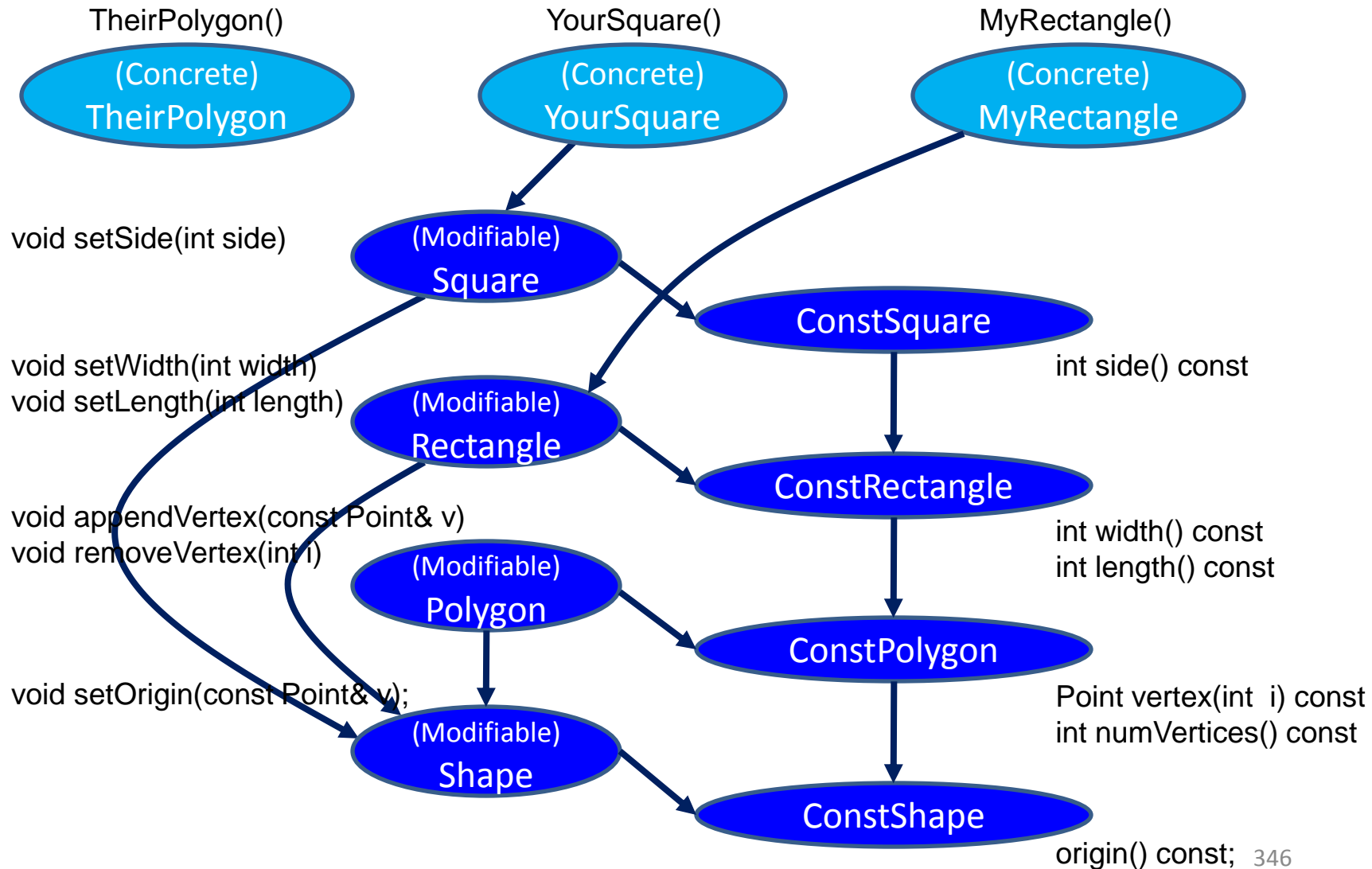
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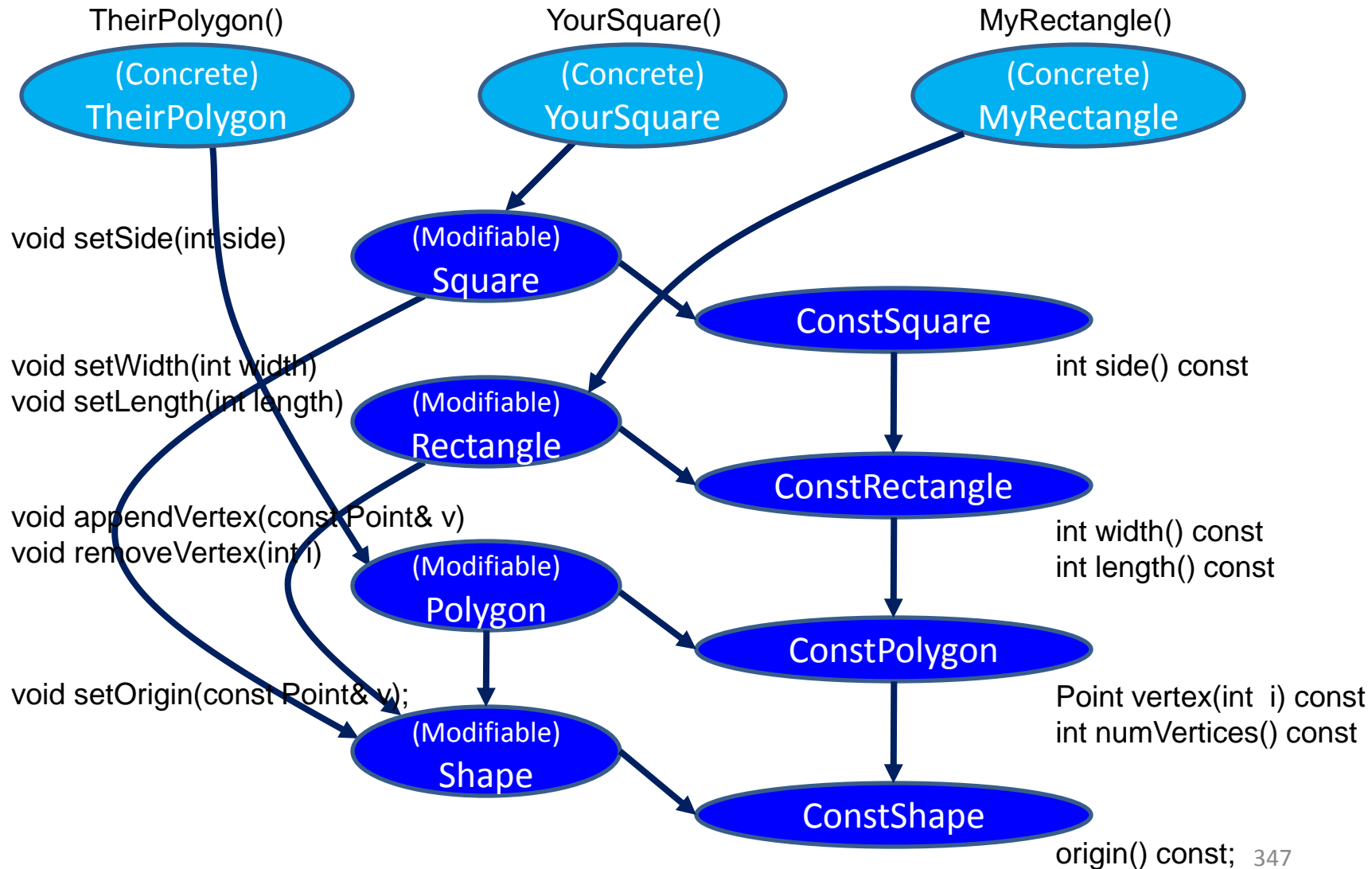
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The principal clients of
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PUBLIC CLIENT
and the
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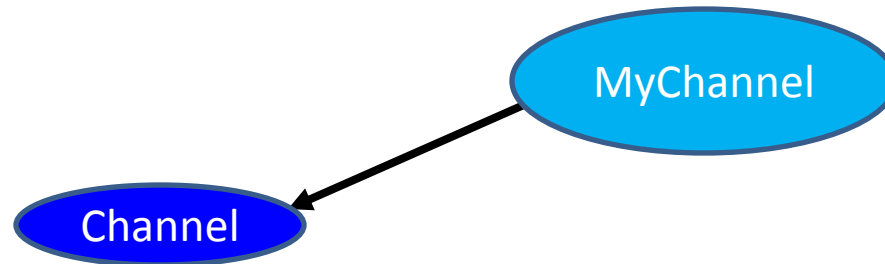
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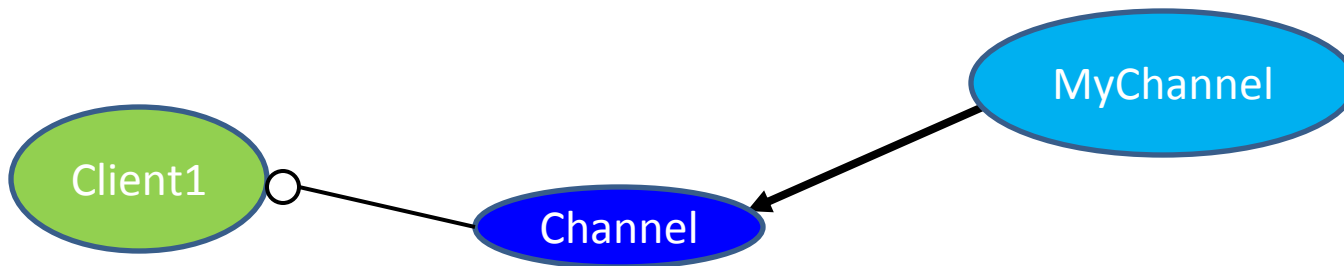
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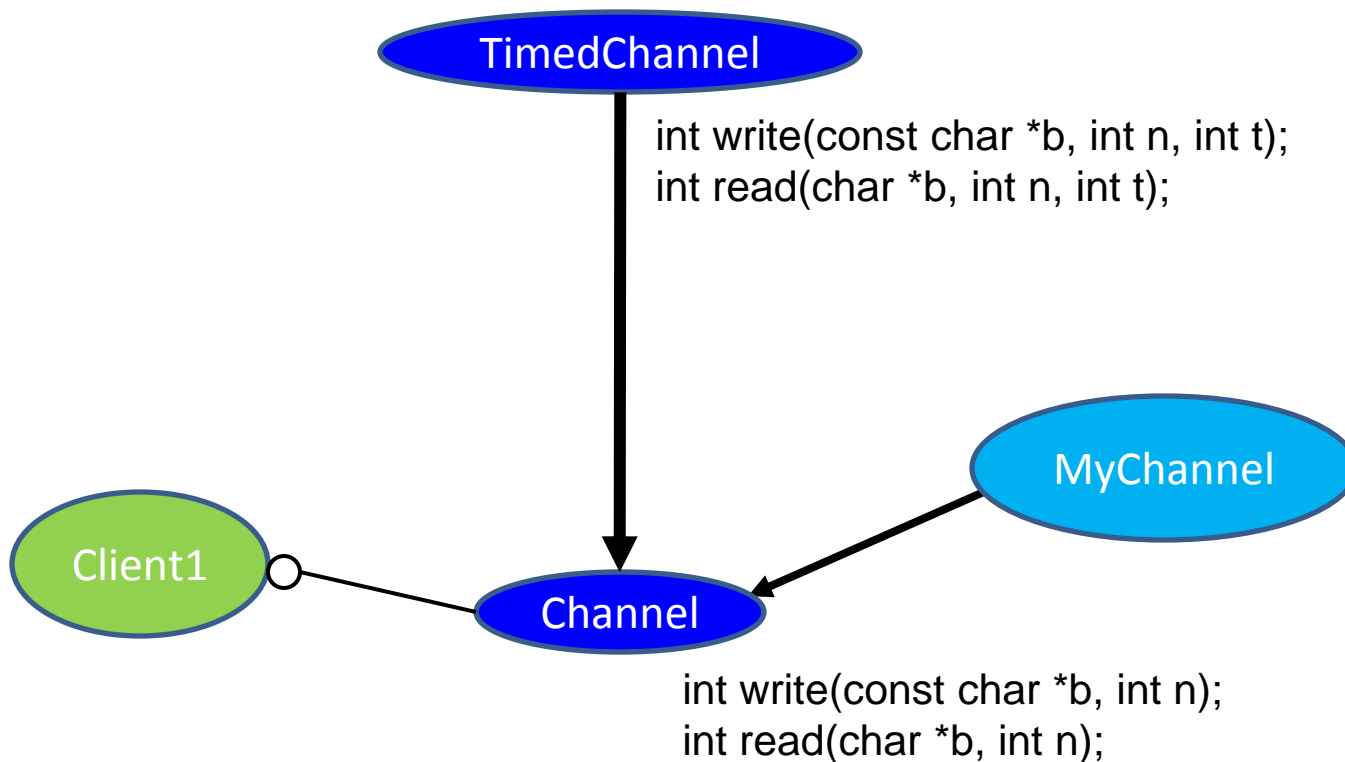
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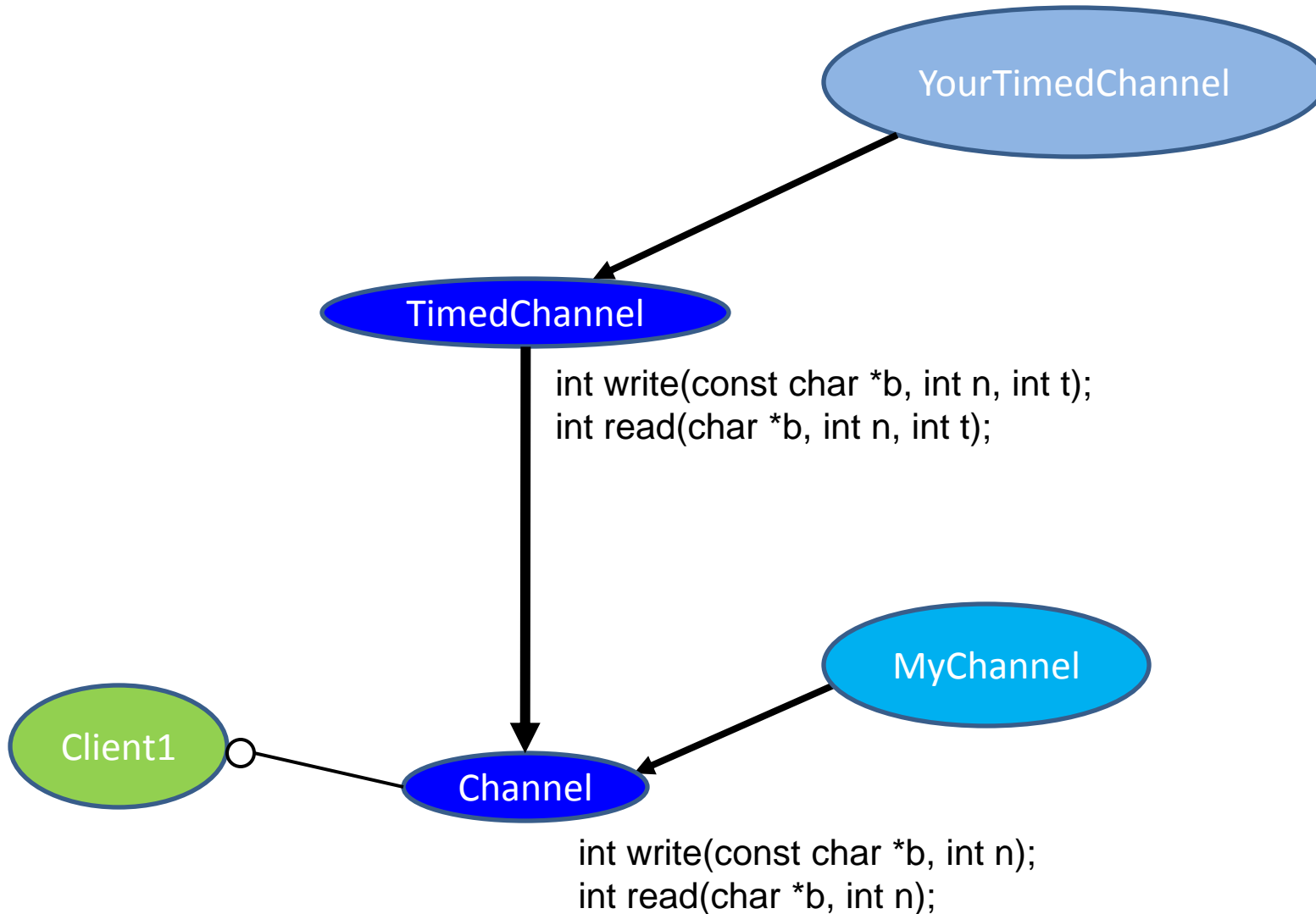
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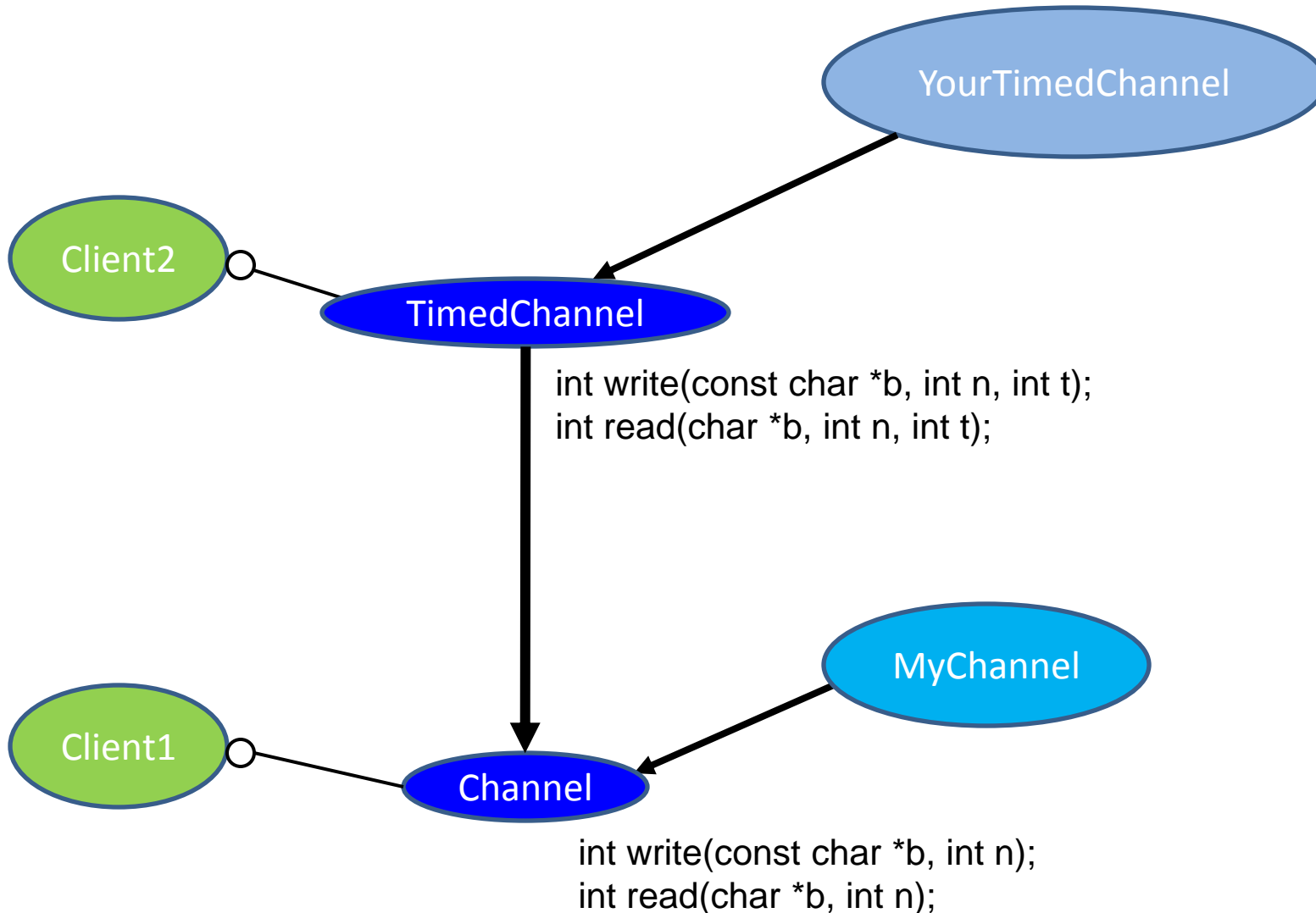
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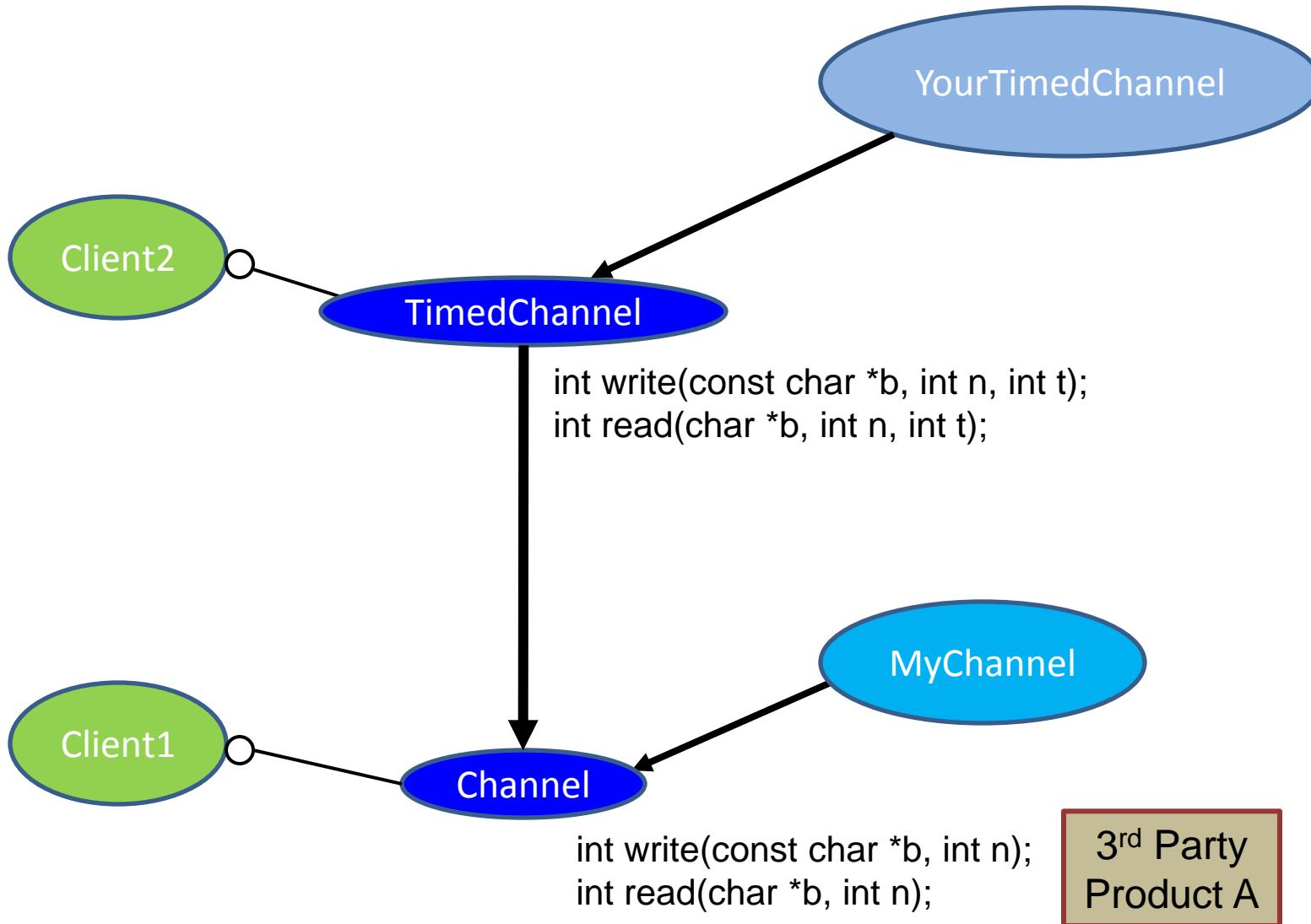
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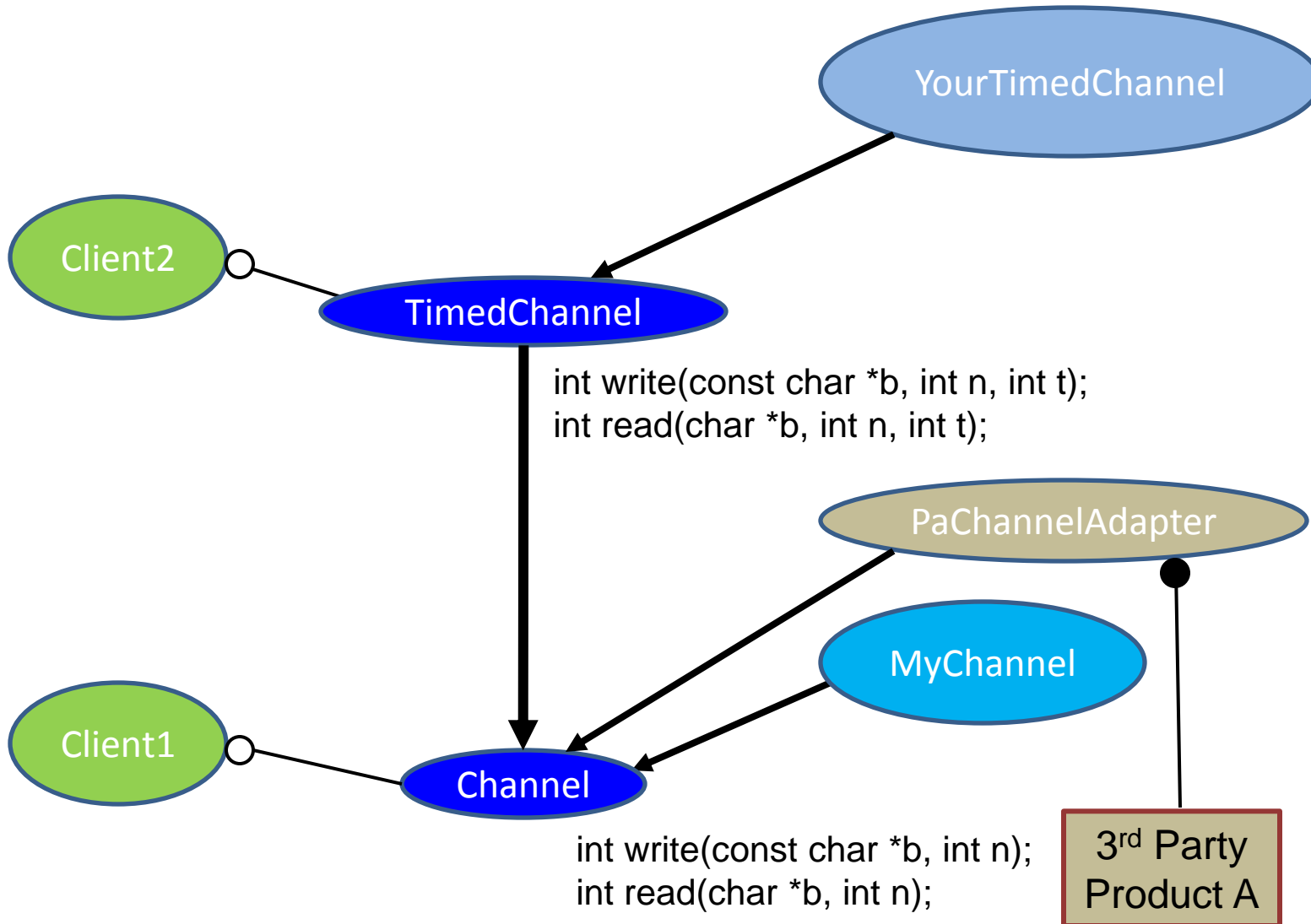
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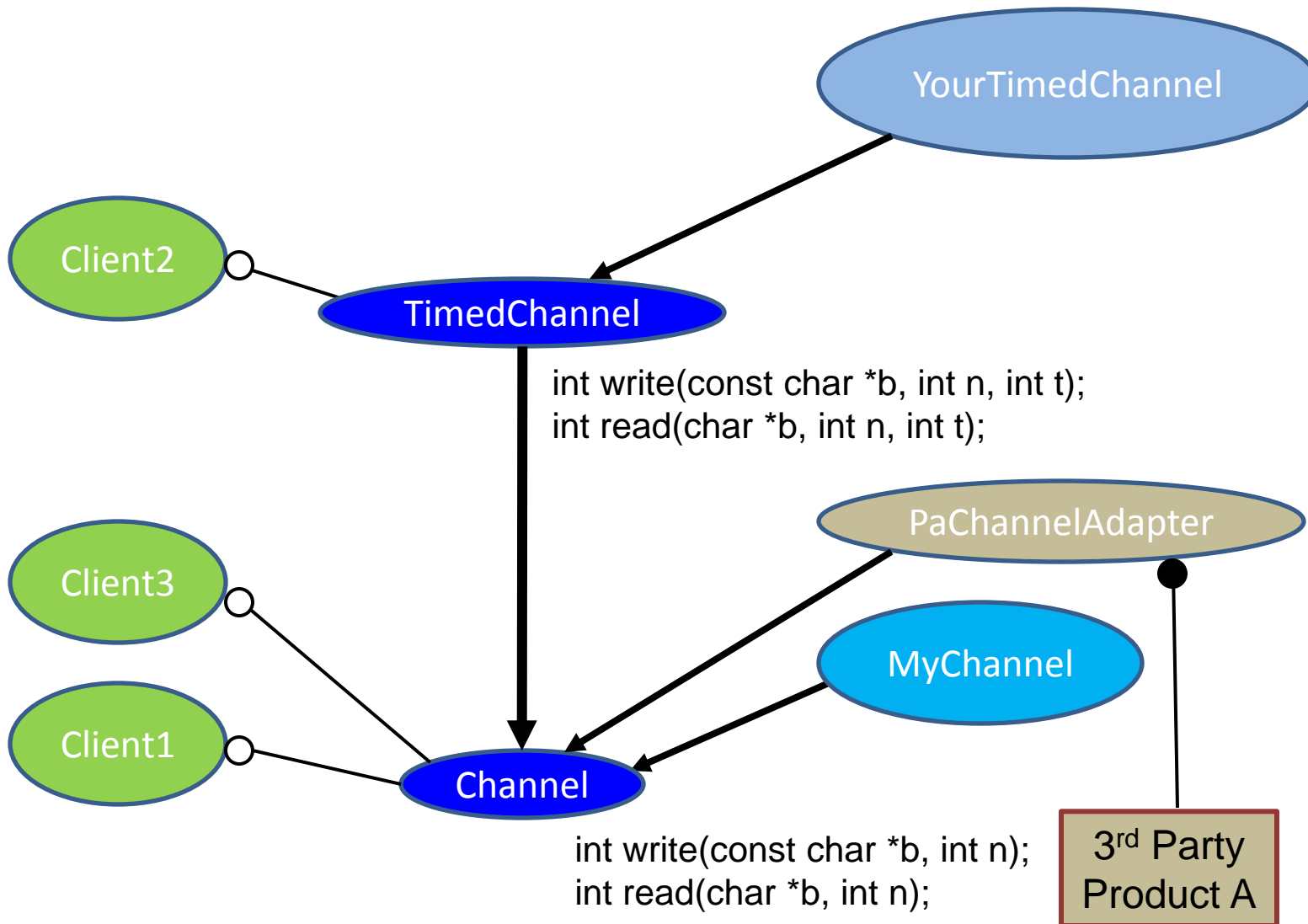
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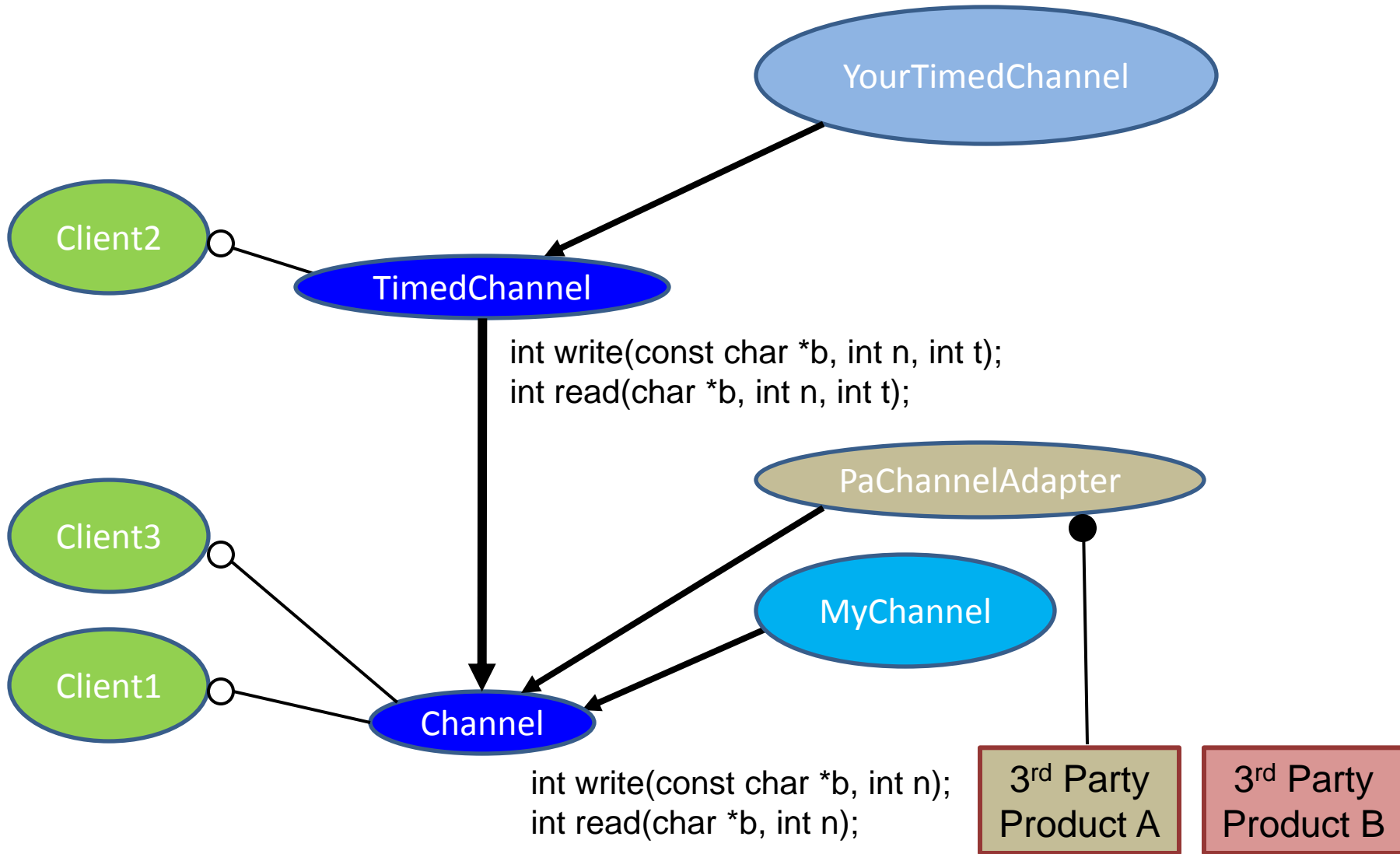
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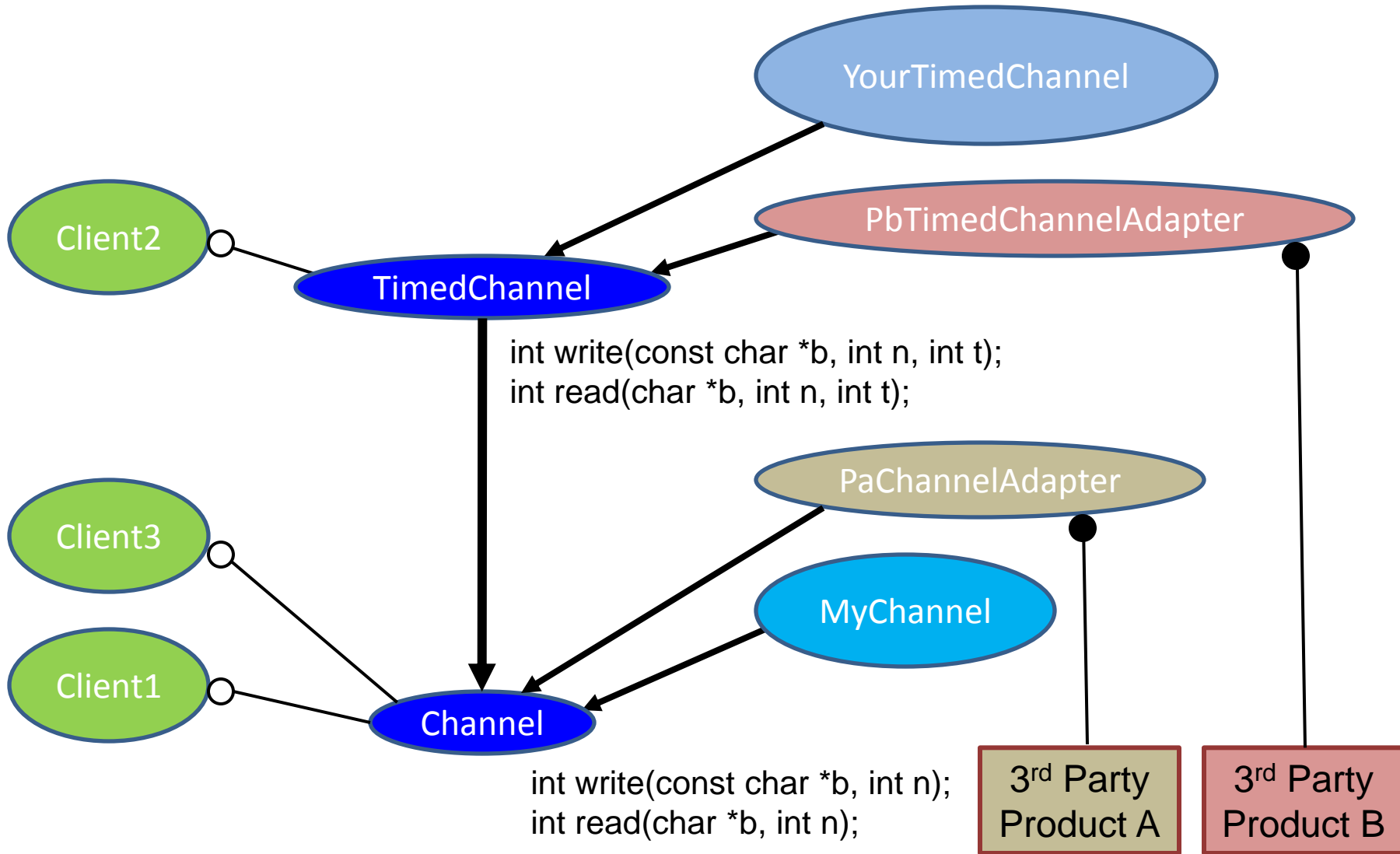
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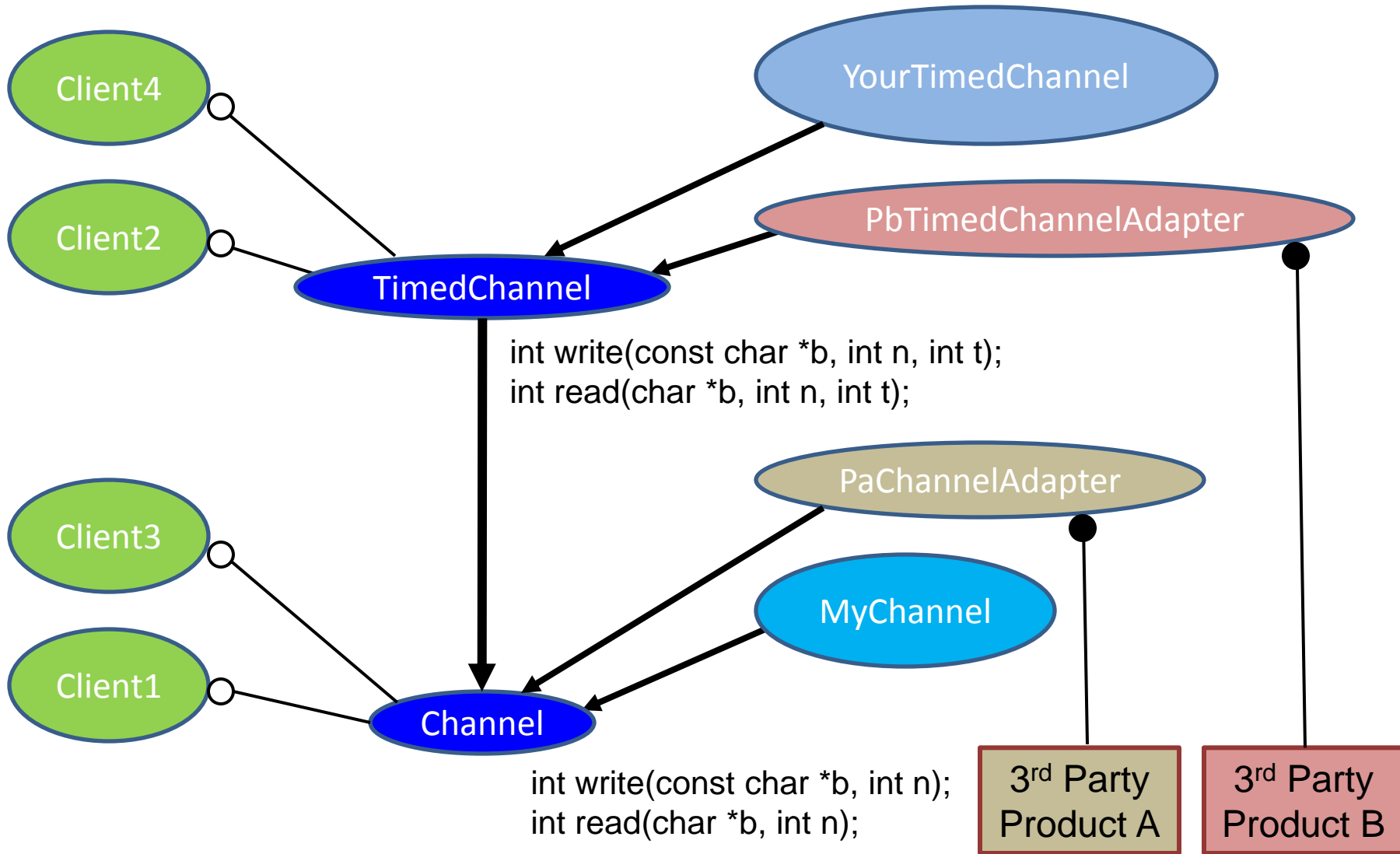
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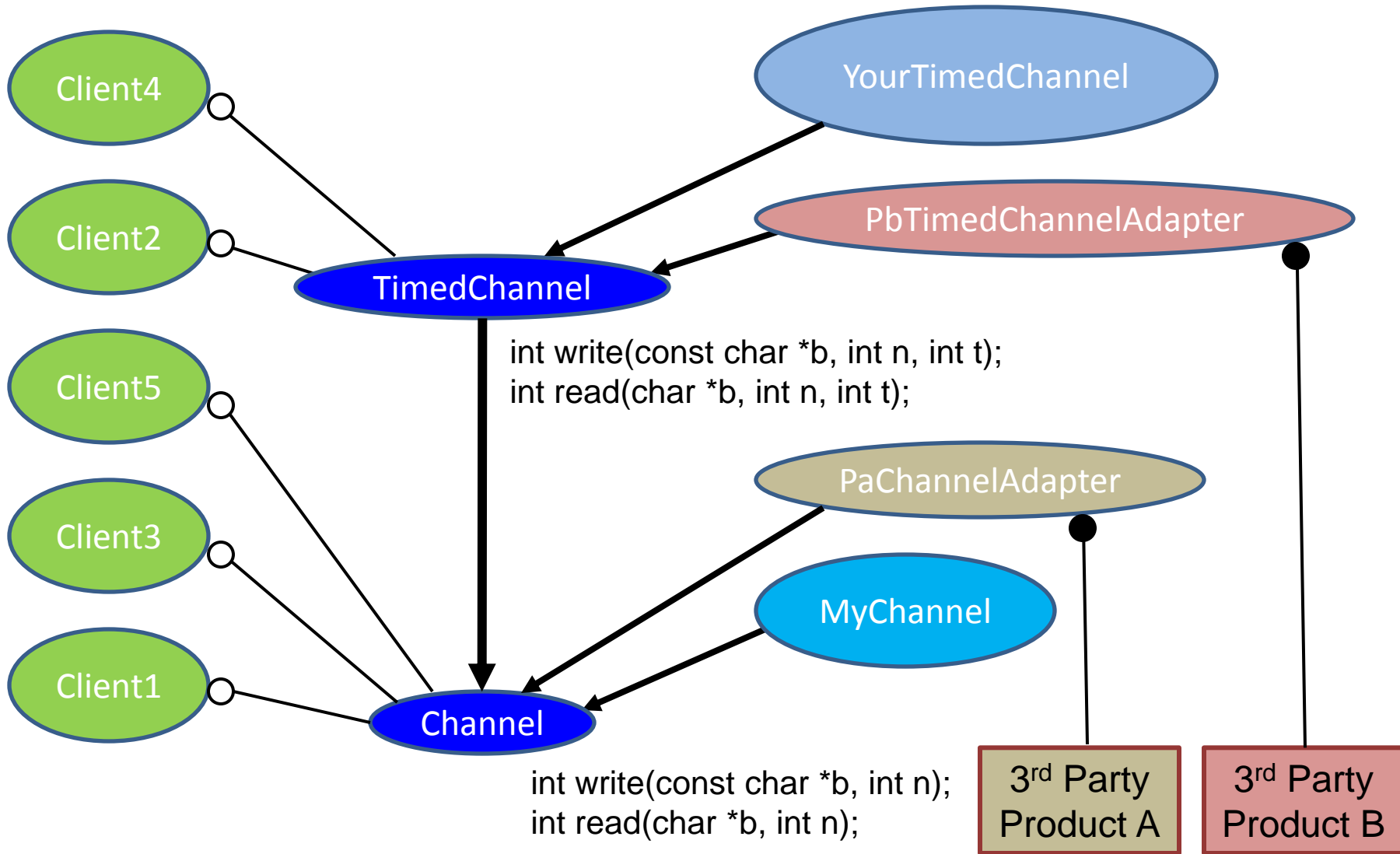
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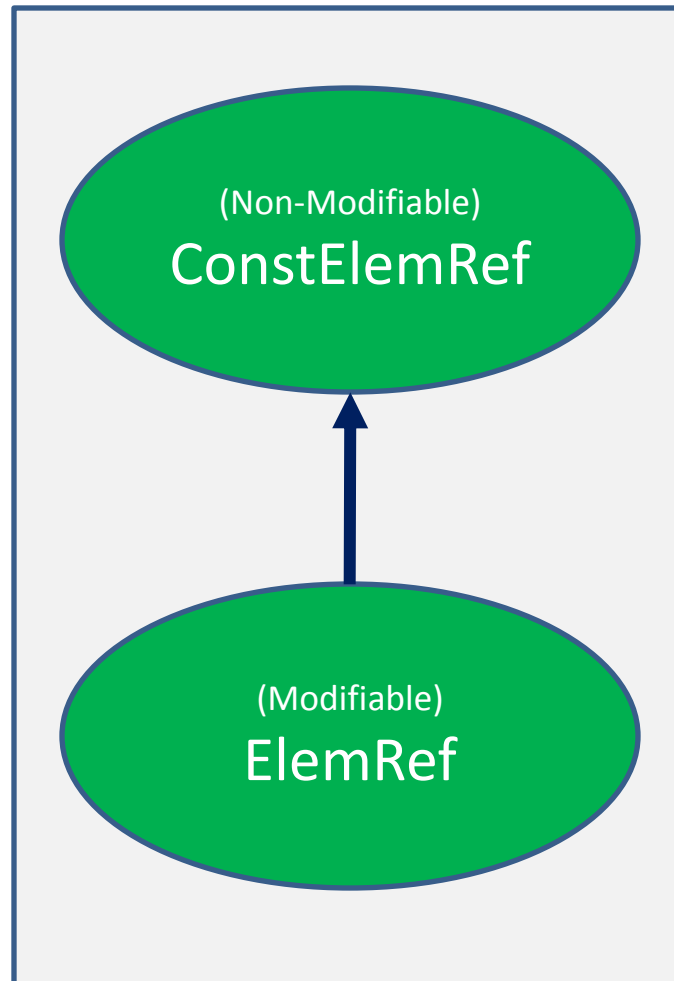
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(Non-Modifiable)
ConstElemRef

elem() ;

```
template <class TYPE>
class ConstElemRef<TYPE> {
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    friend class ElemRef<TYPE>; // ← Note friendship

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public:
    // CREATORS
    ConstElemRef(const TYPE *elem);
    ConstElemRef(const ConstElemRef& ref);
    ~ConstElemRef();

    // ACCESSORS
    const TYPE& elem() const;
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```

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Using Structural Inheritance Effectively

(Non-Modifiable)
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Single Pointer
Data Member

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Derived Class
Declared Friend

← Note friendship

TBD

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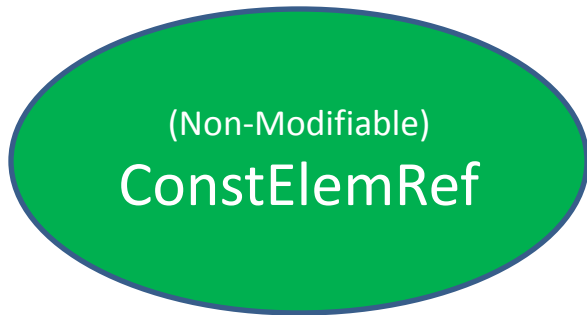
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Note friendship

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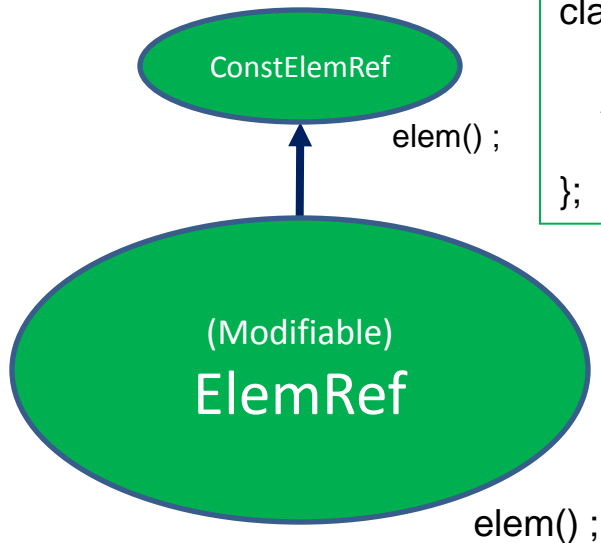
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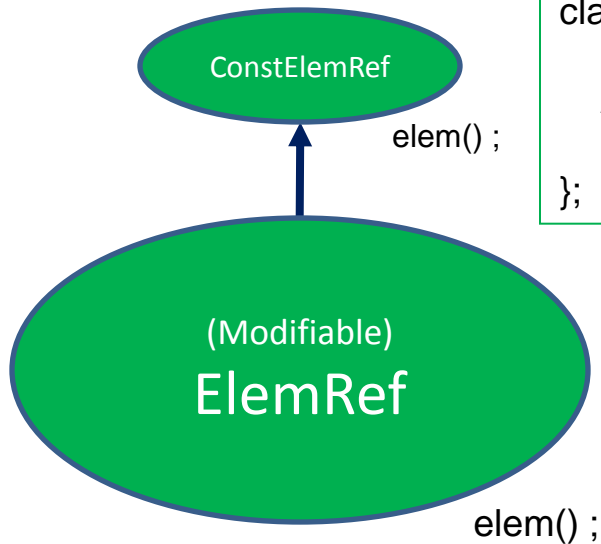


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template <class TYPE>  
class ElemRef<TYPE> : public ConstElemRef<TYPE> {  
public:  
    // CREATORS  
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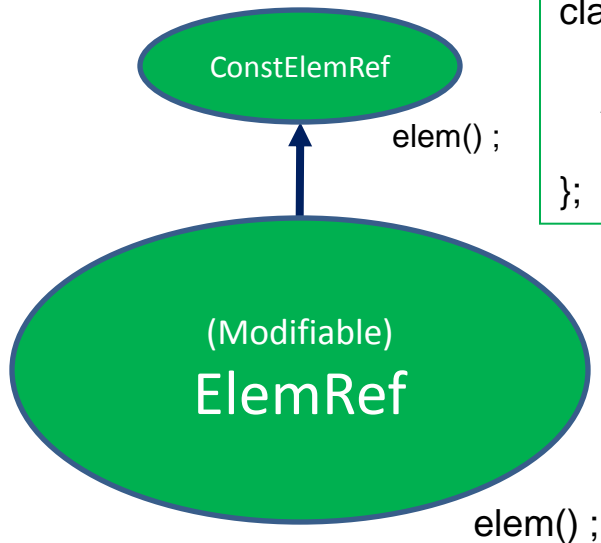
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Public
Structural
Inheritance

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template <class TYPE>  
class ElemRef<TYPE> : public ConstElemRef<TYPE> {  
    public:  
        // CREATORS  
        ElemRef(TYPE *elem);  
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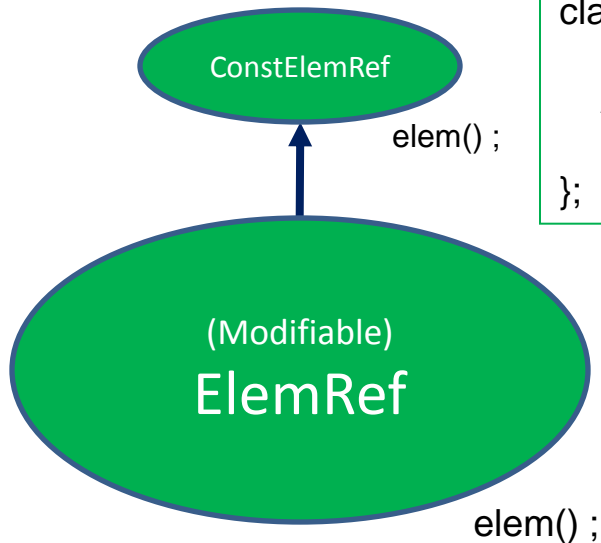
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};
```

No Additional
Member Data

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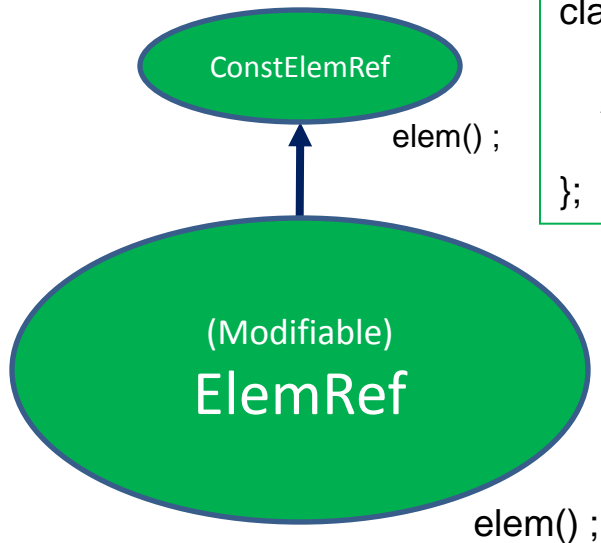
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Copy Assignment
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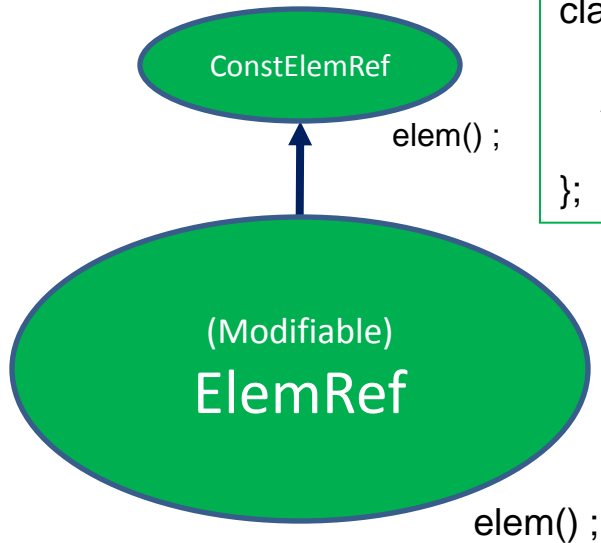
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    // ...  
    const TYPE& elem() const;  
};
```

```
template <class T>  
class ElemRef<T>  
public:  
    // CREATORS  
    ElemRef(TYPE t): d_elem_p(&t) {}  
    ElemRef(const ElemRef& e): d_elem_p(e.d_elem_p) {}  
    ~ElemRef();  
  
    // MANIPULATOR  
    ElemRef& operator=(const ElemRef& e);  
  
    // ACCESSORS  
    TYPE& elem() const;  
};
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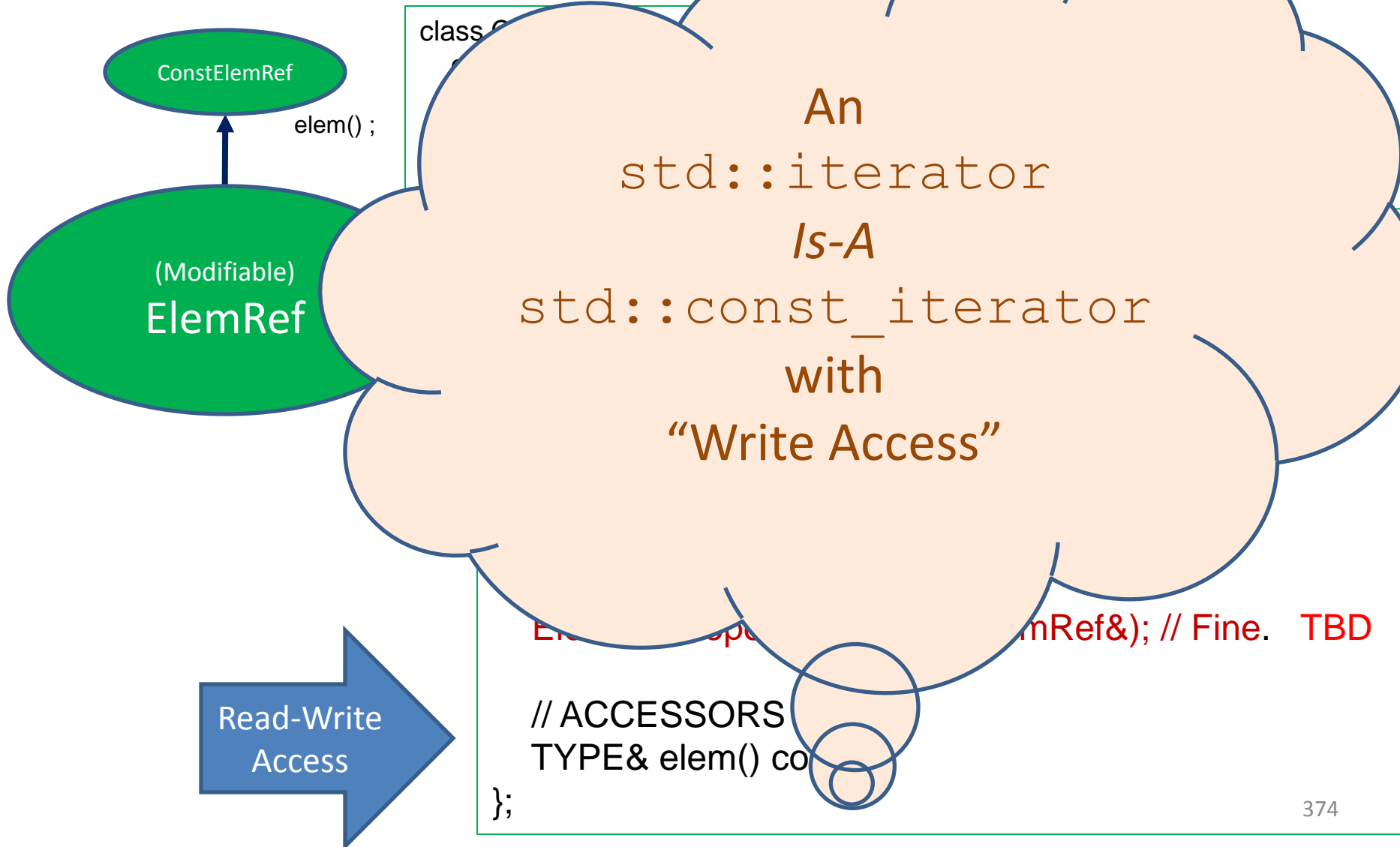
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ElemRef
Is-A
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with
"Write Access"

Read-Write
Access

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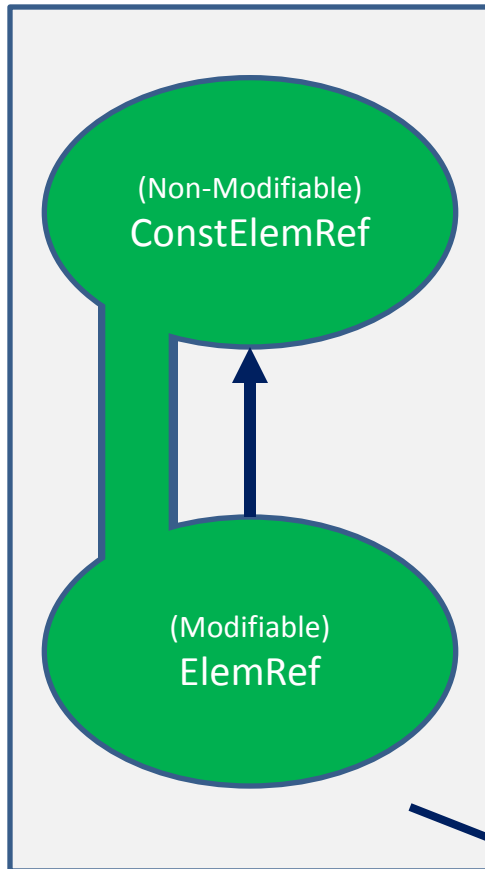
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```
const TYPE& ConstElemRef::elem() const
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    return *d_elem_p;
}
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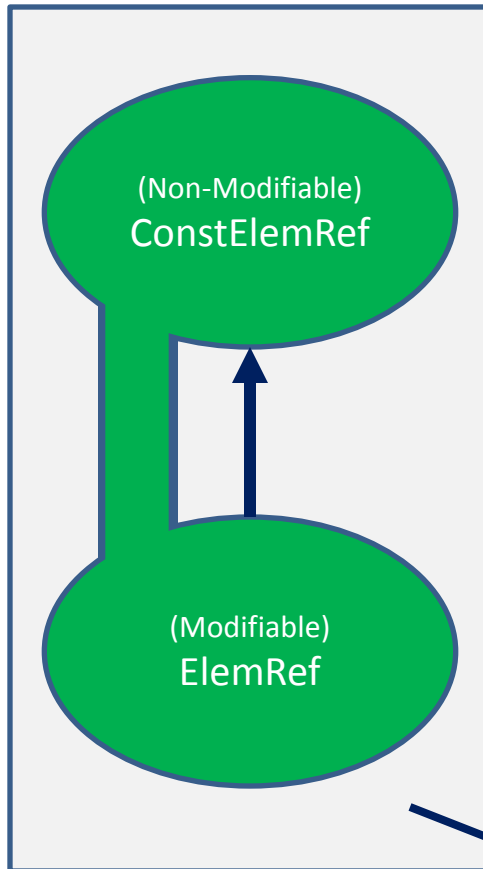
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    return *const_cast<TYPE *>(d_elem_p);
}

// Note use of friendship as well.
```

Note: same component due to friendship.

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Note we are casting-away **const**

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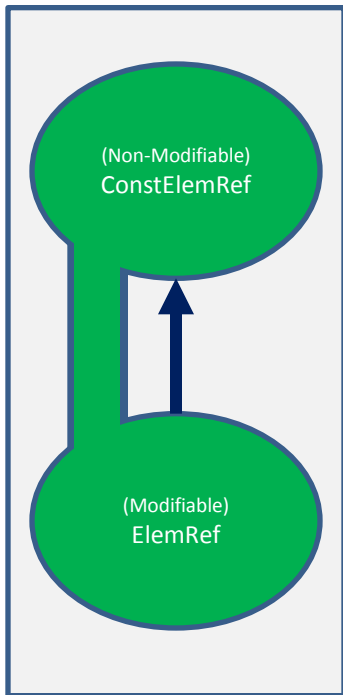
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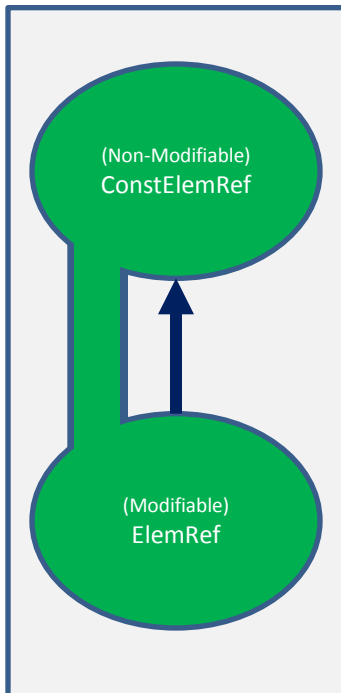


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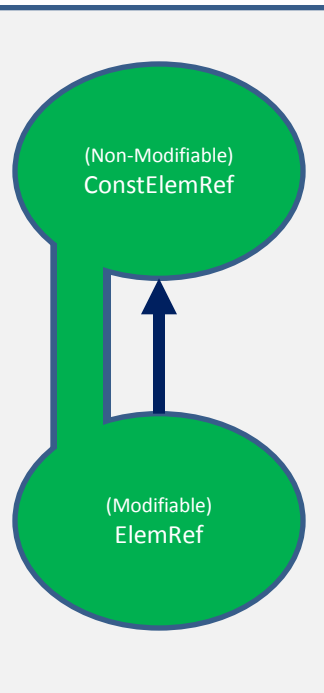


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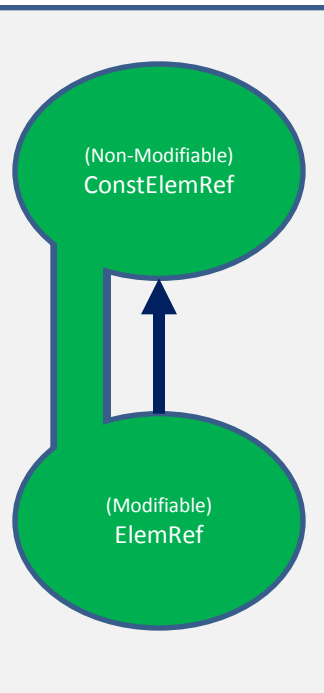
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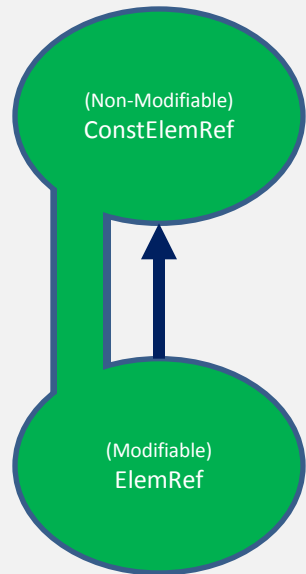
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void f(const TYPE& constElem)
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    TYPE dummy;
```

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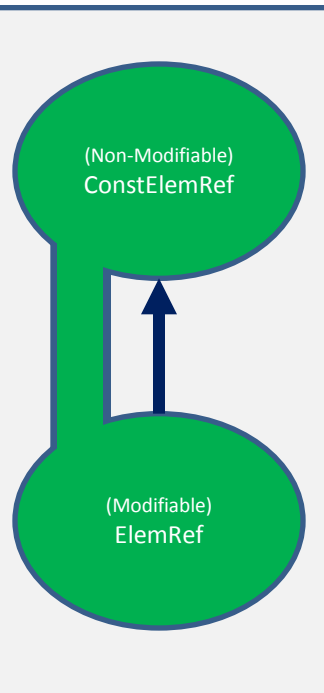
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    TYPE dummy;
    ElemRef er(&dummy);
}
```

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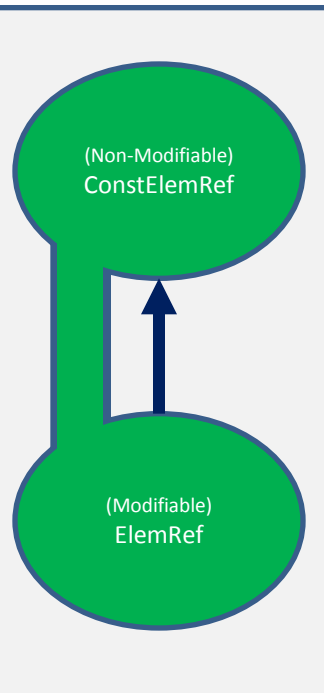
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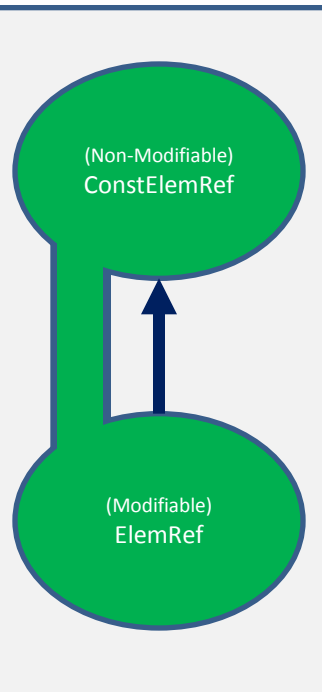
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void f(const TYPE& constElem)
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    TYPE dummy;
    ElemRef er(&dummy);
    ConstElemRef cer(&constElem);
    g(&er, cer); // Rebind (modifiable) 'ElemRef' 'er'.
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{
    TYPE dummy;
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    ConstElemRef cer(&constElem);
    g(&er, cer); // Rebind (modifiable) 'ElemRef' 'er'.
    er.elem() = TYPE(); // Clobber 'constElem'.
```

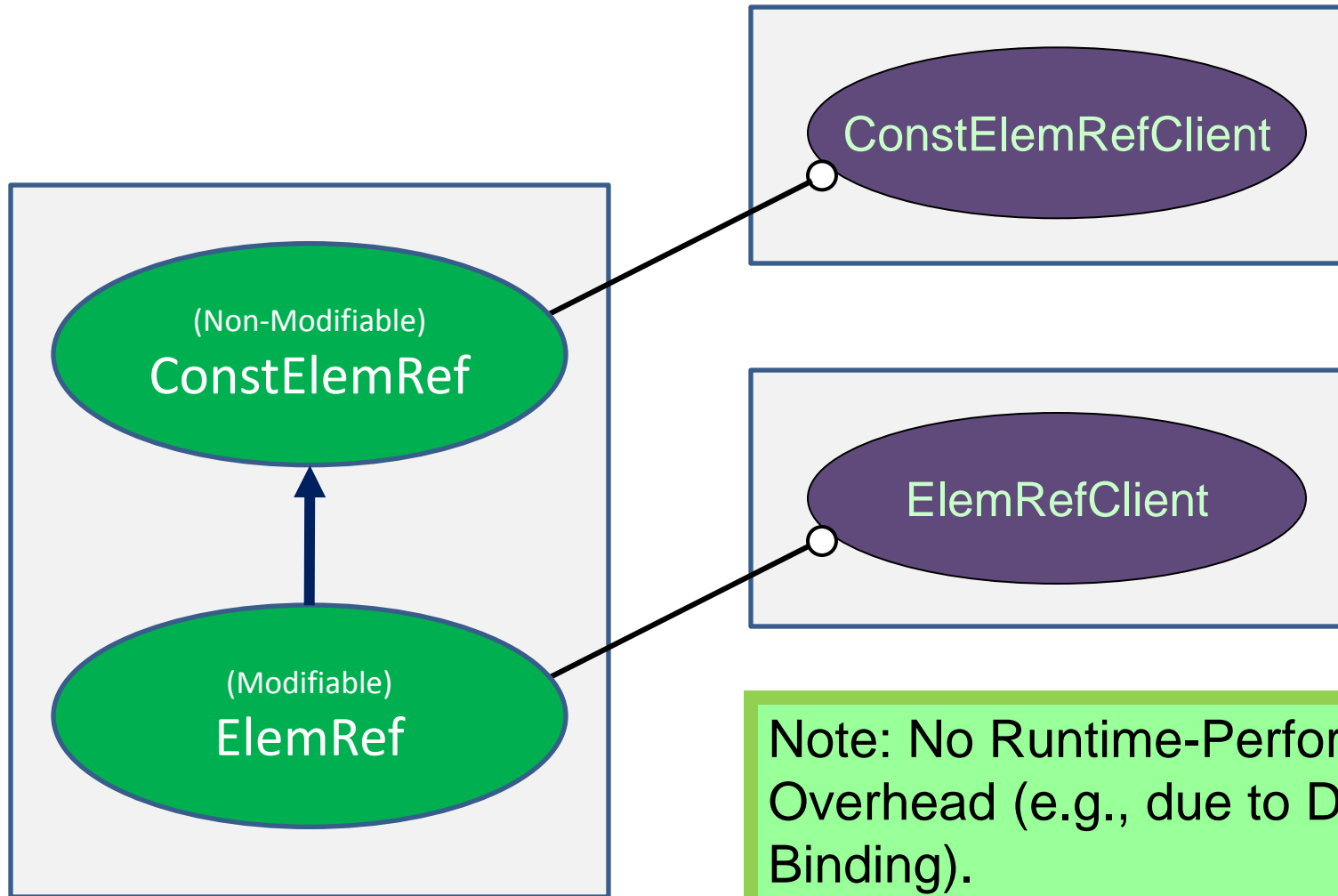

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The principal client of
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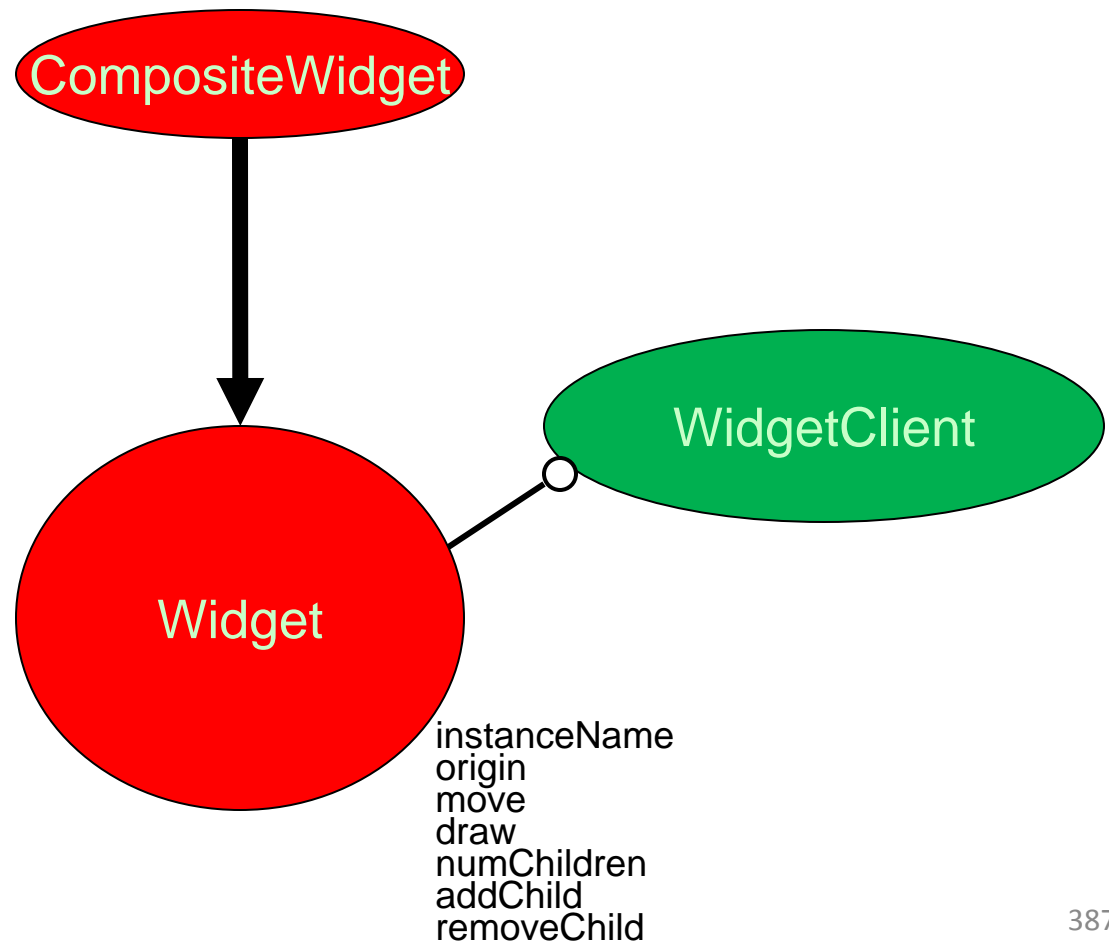
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Note: No Runtime-Performance Overhead (e.g., due to Dynamic Binding).

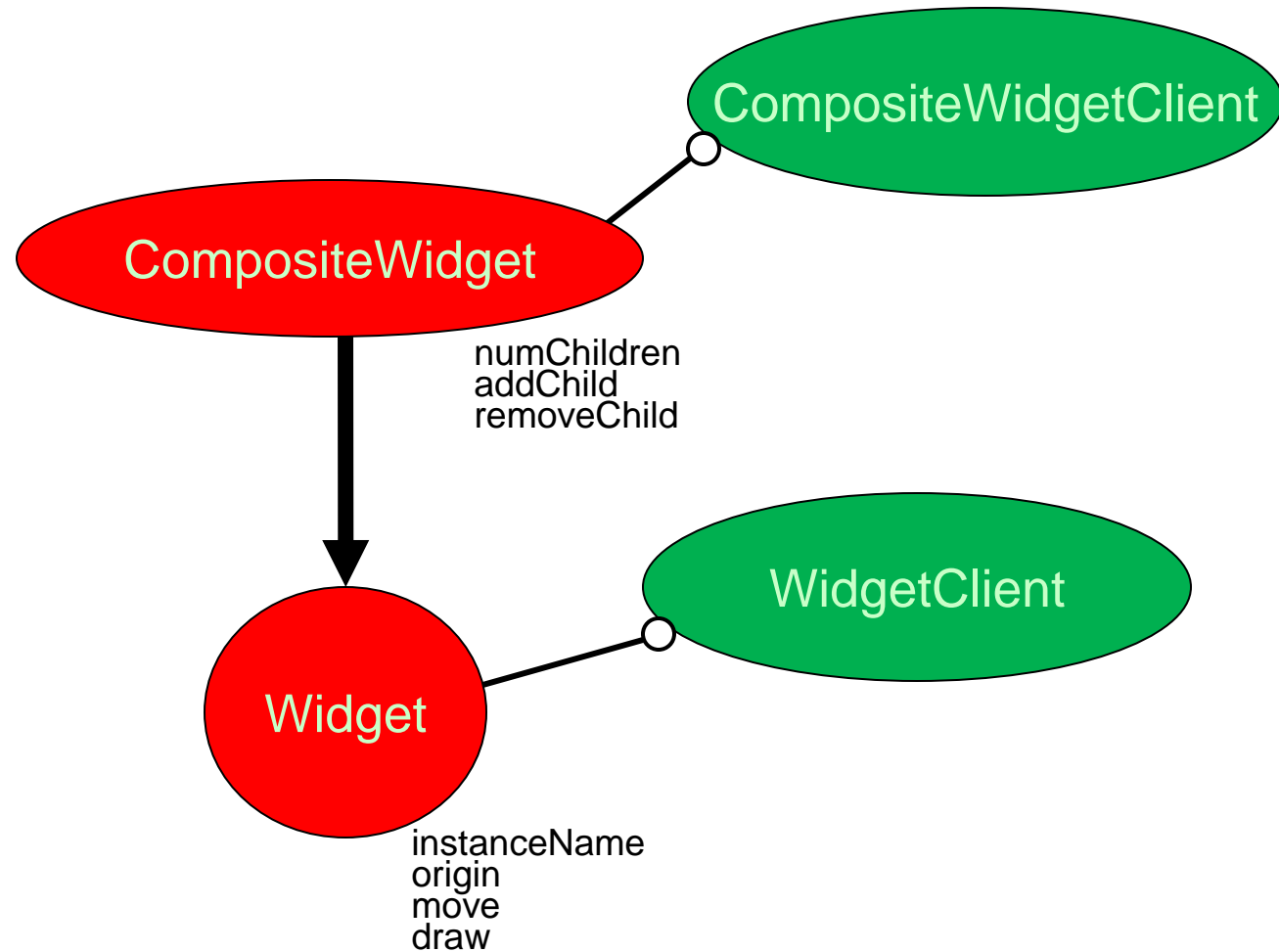
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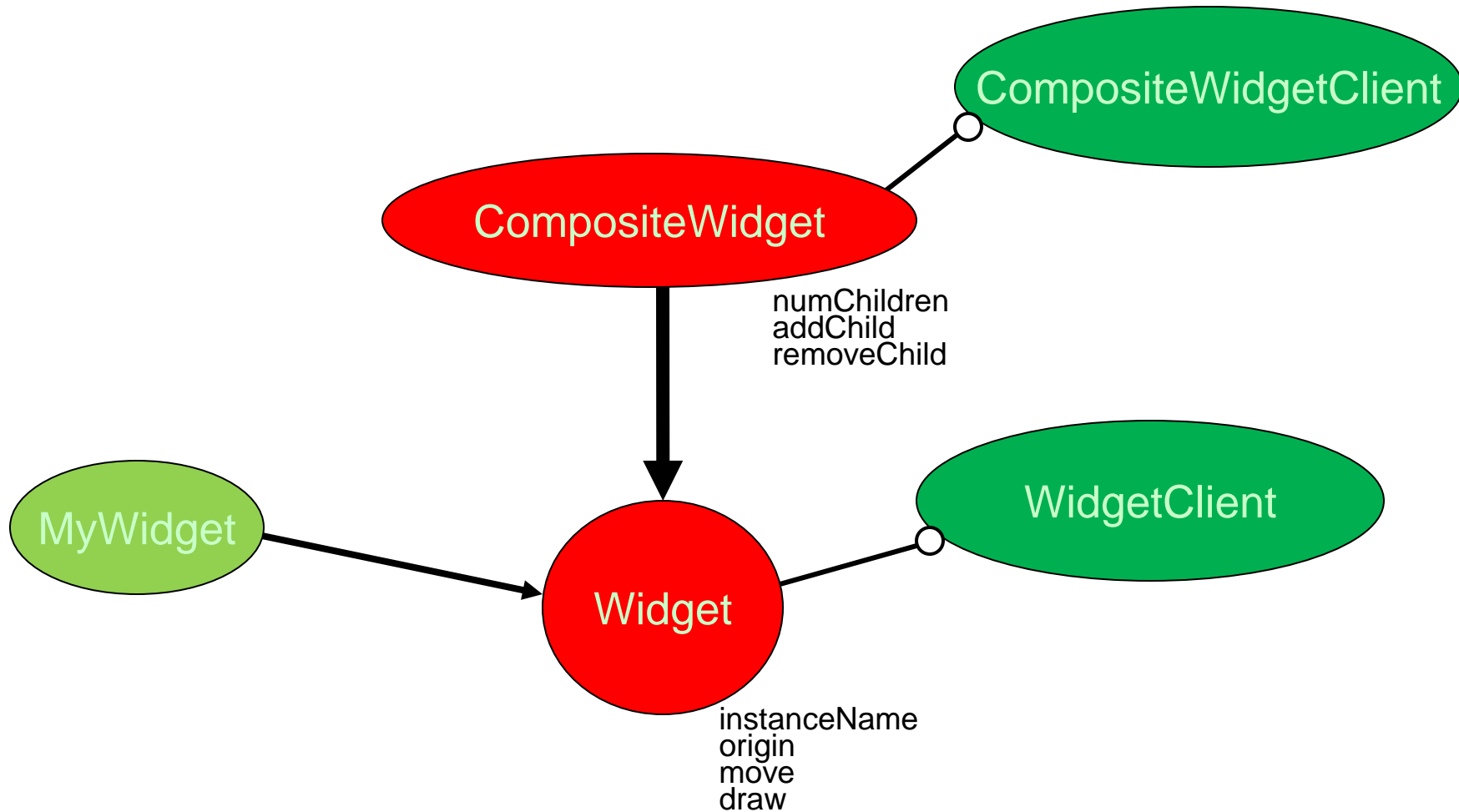
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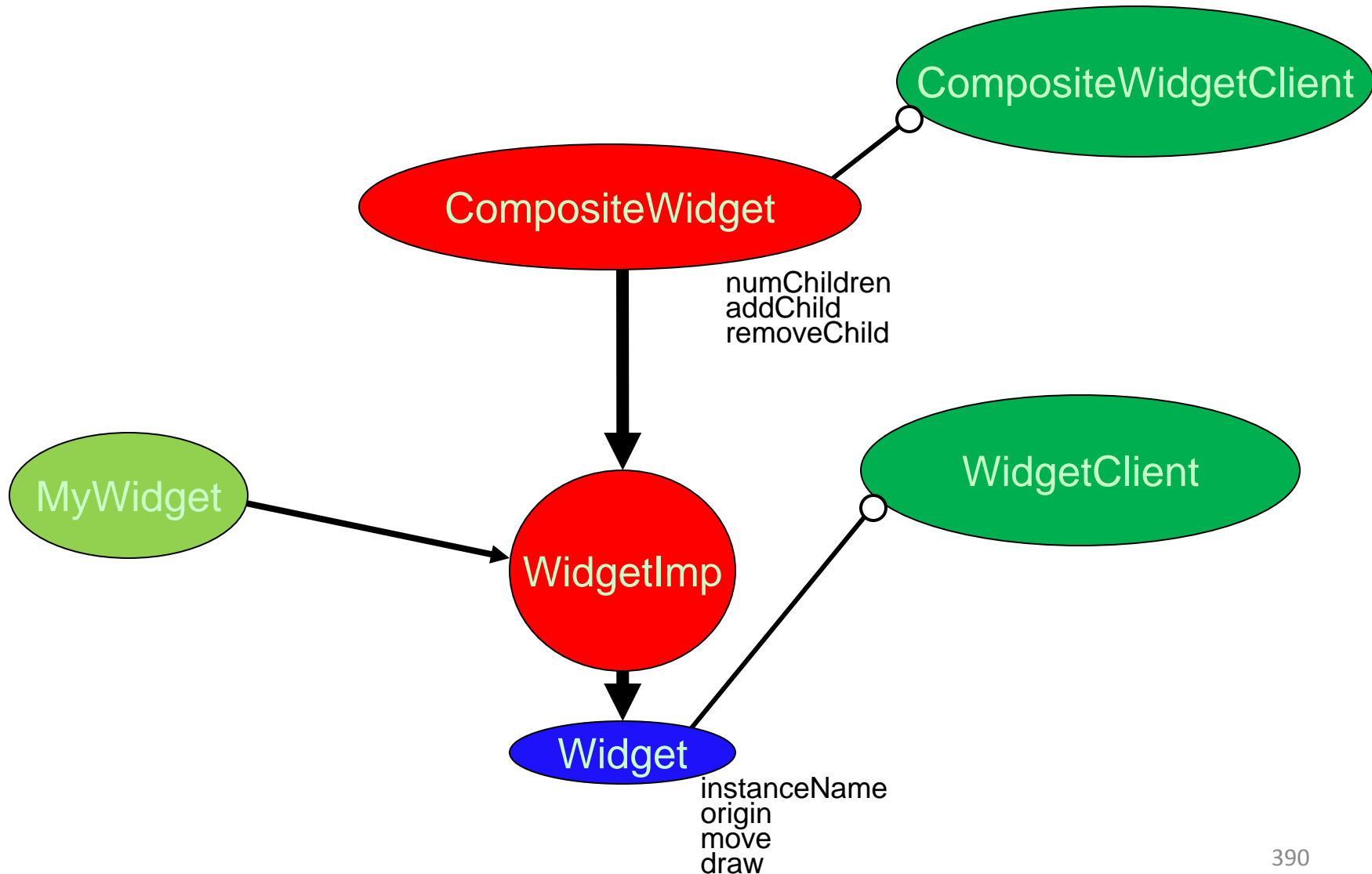
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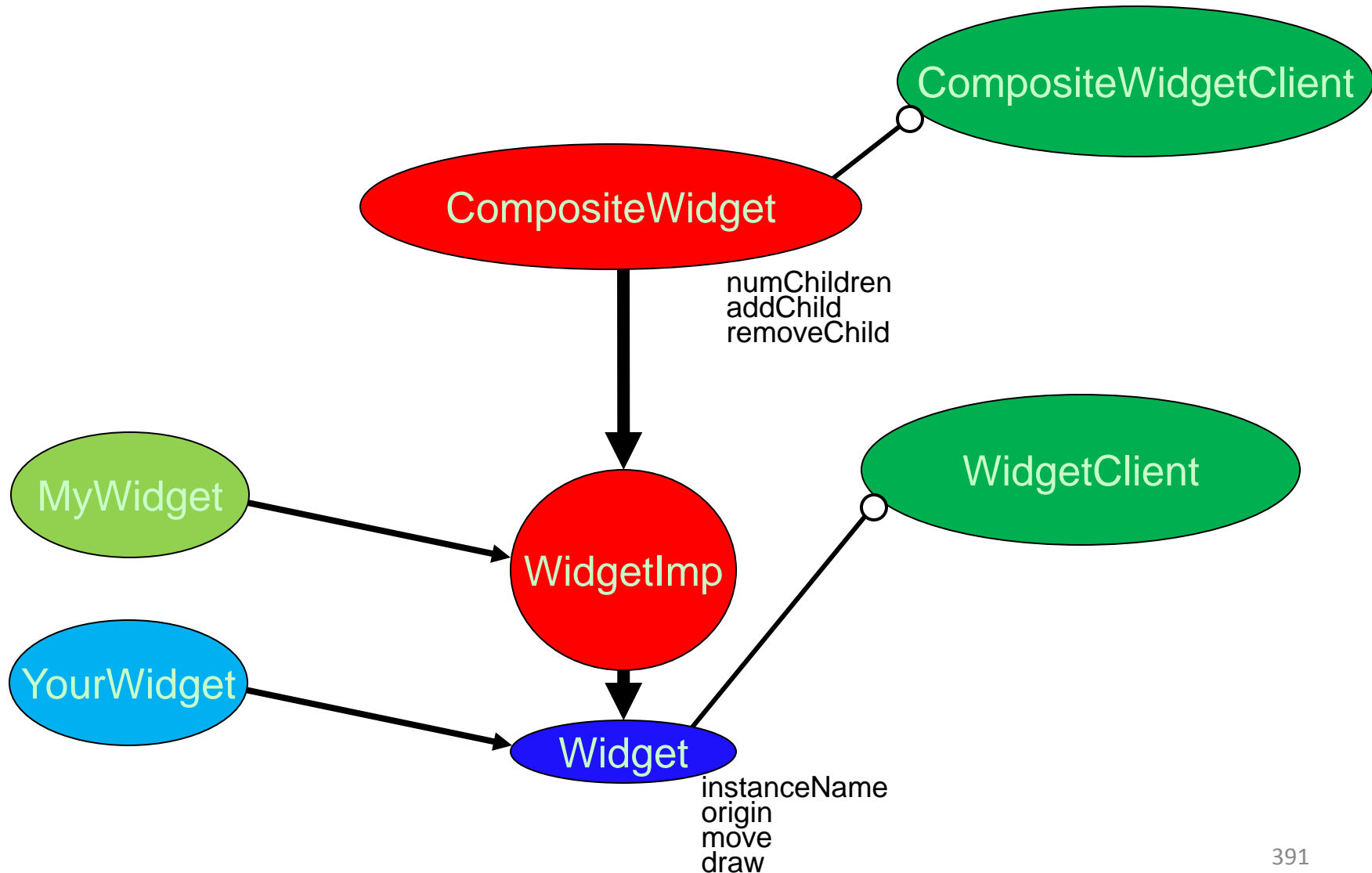
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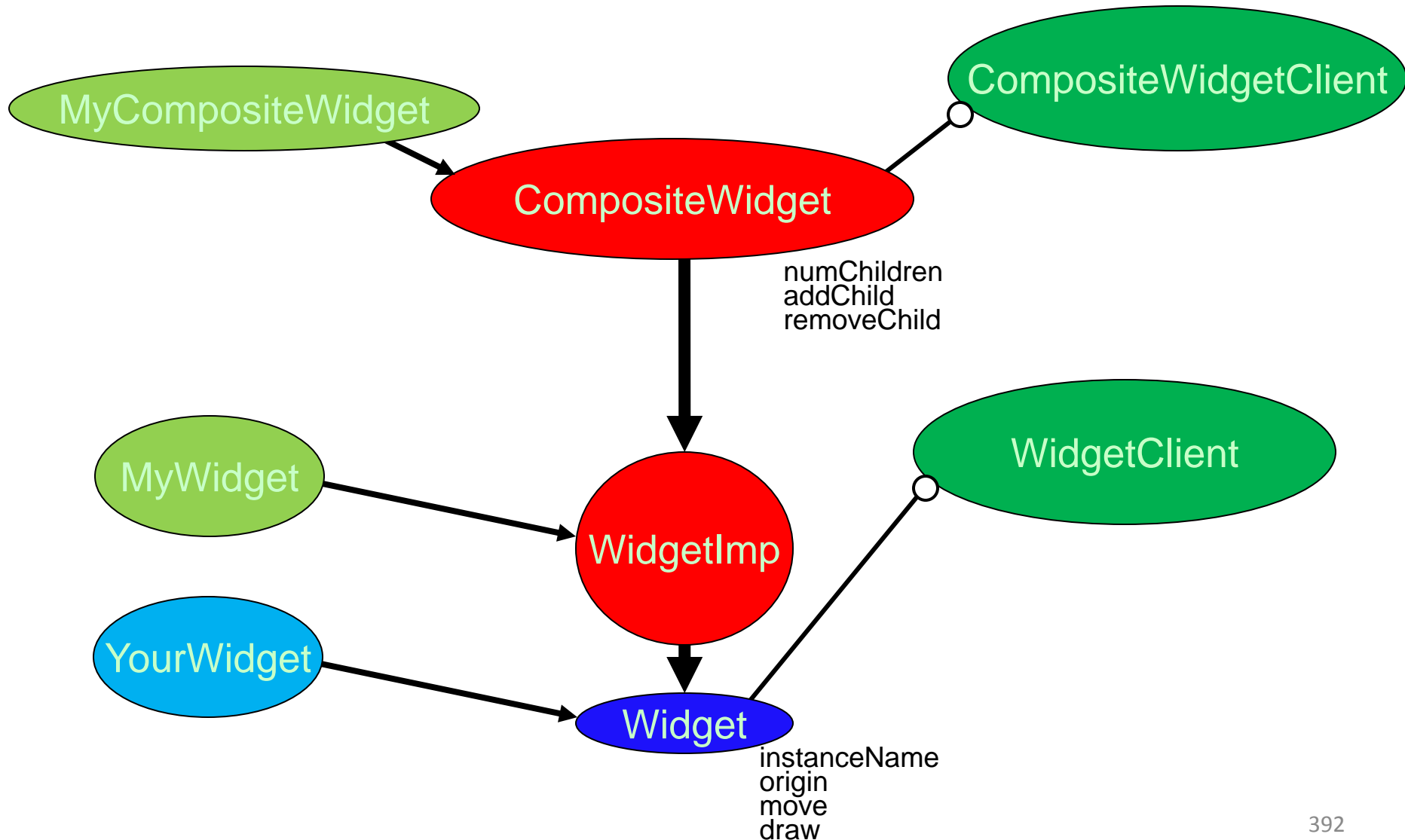
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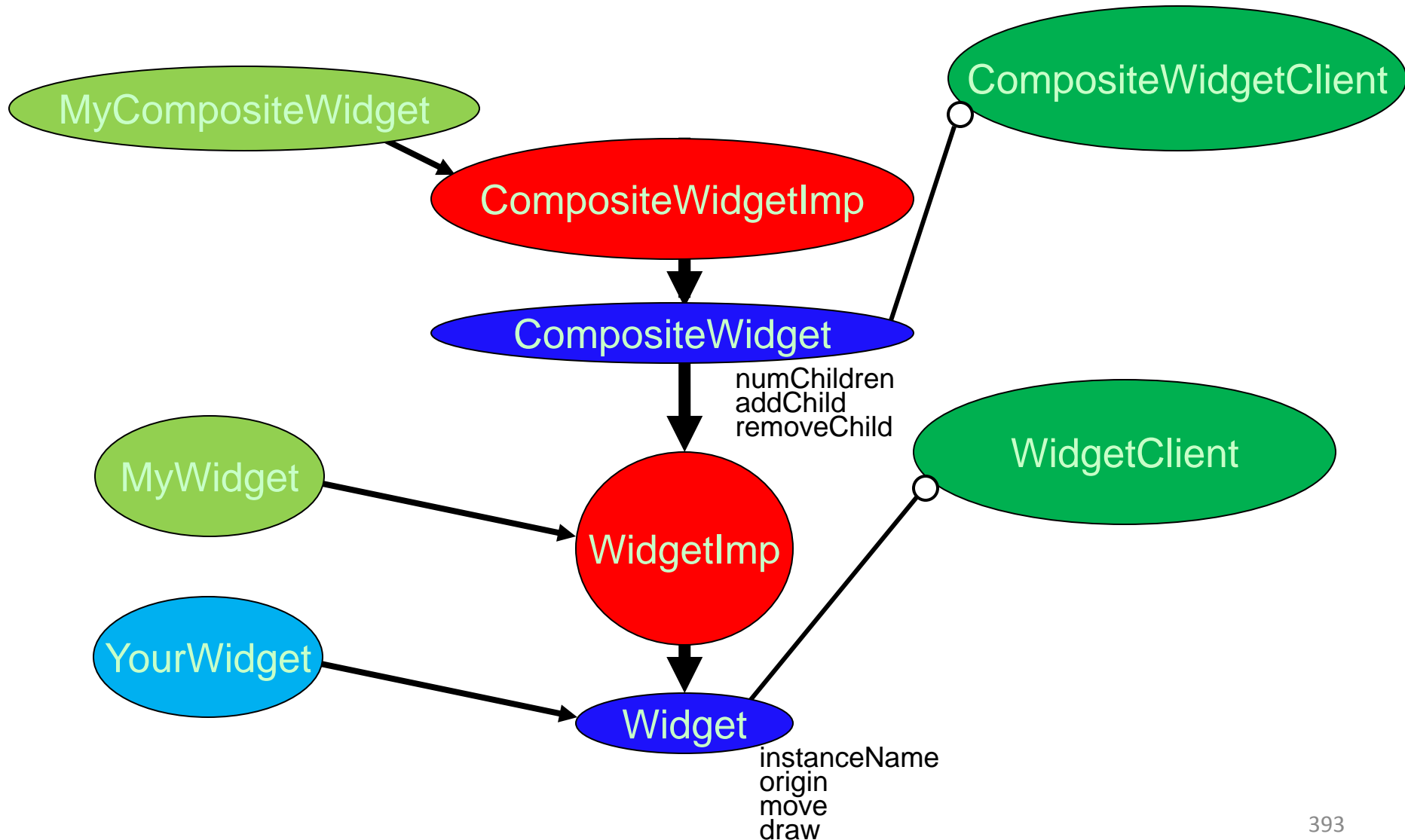
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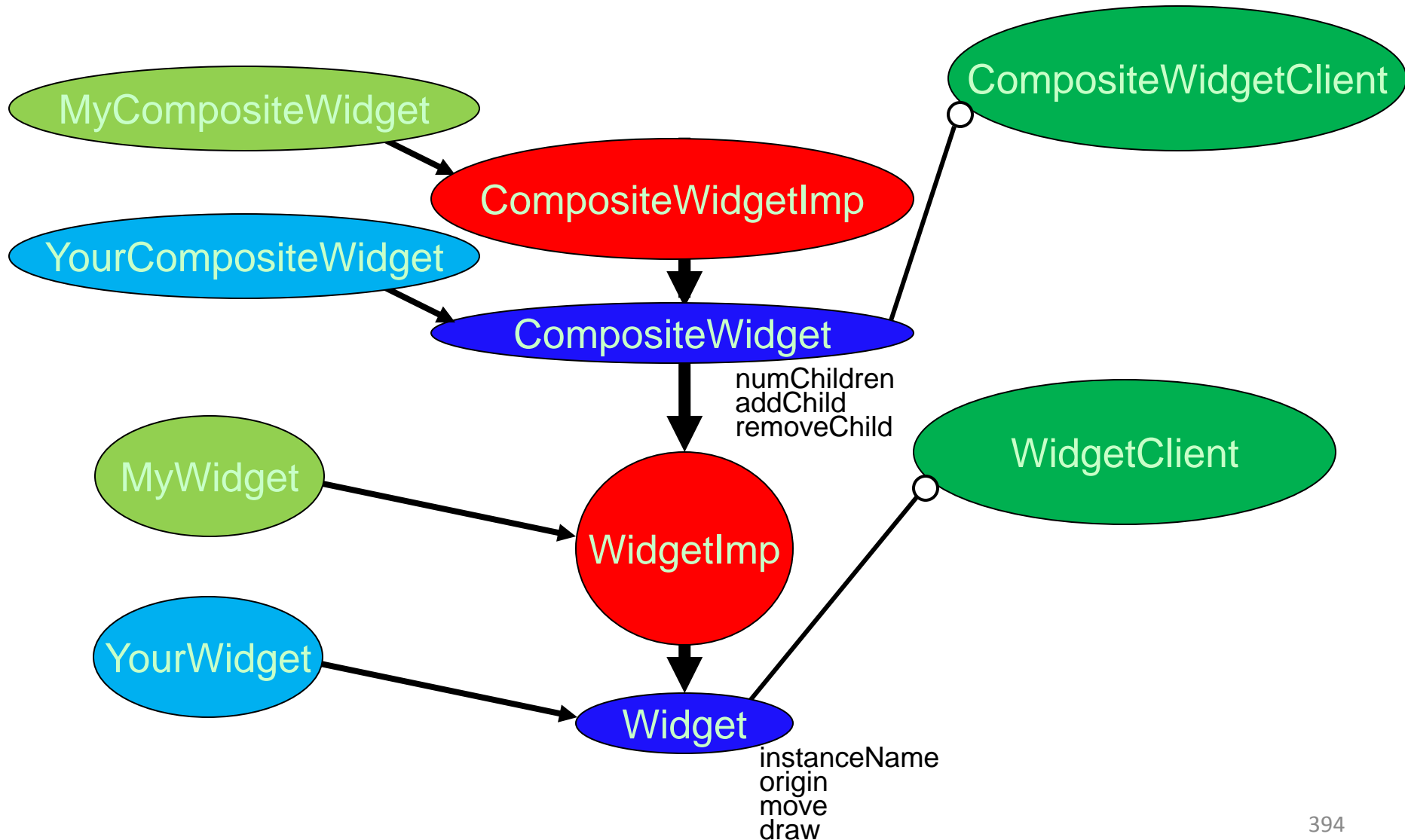
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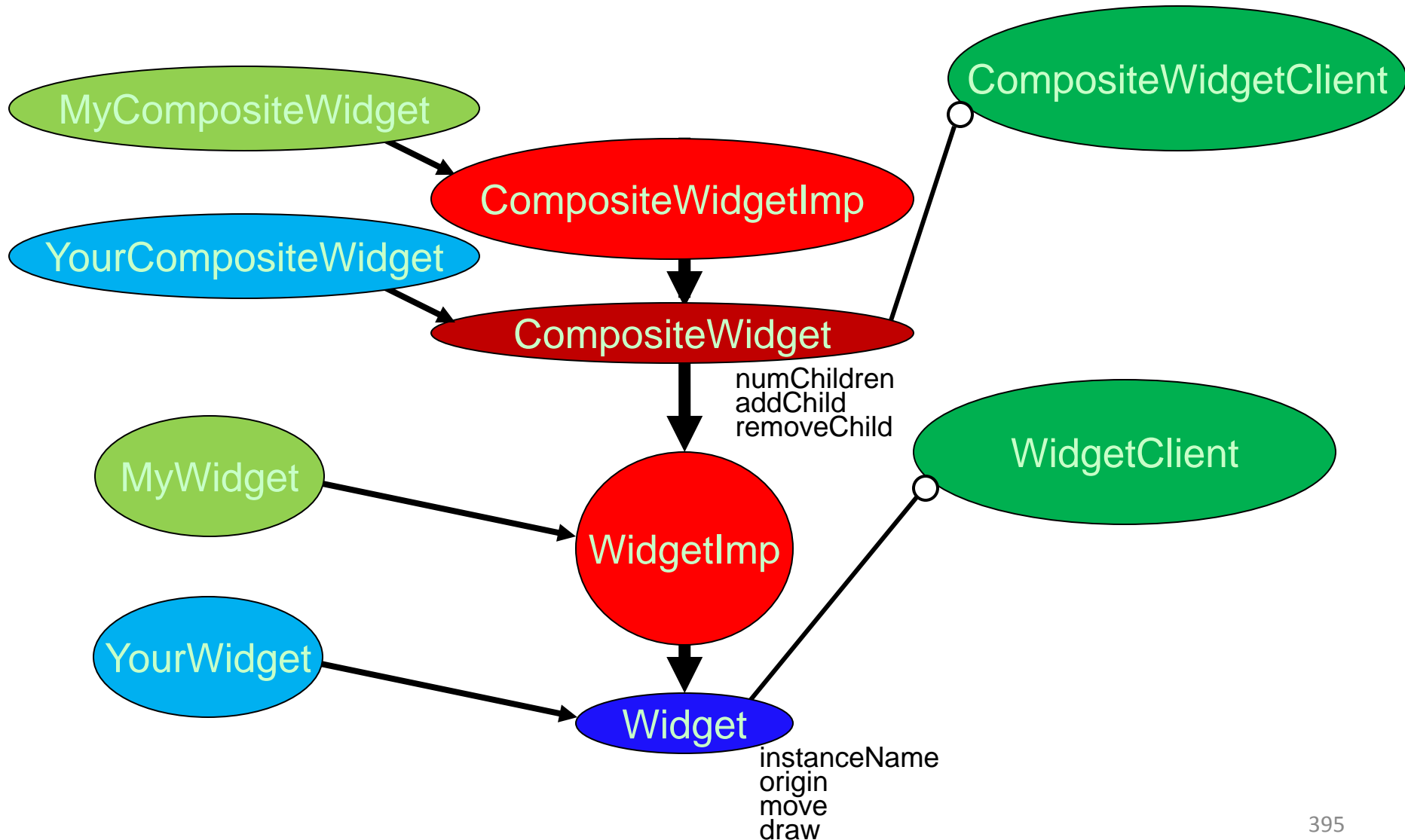
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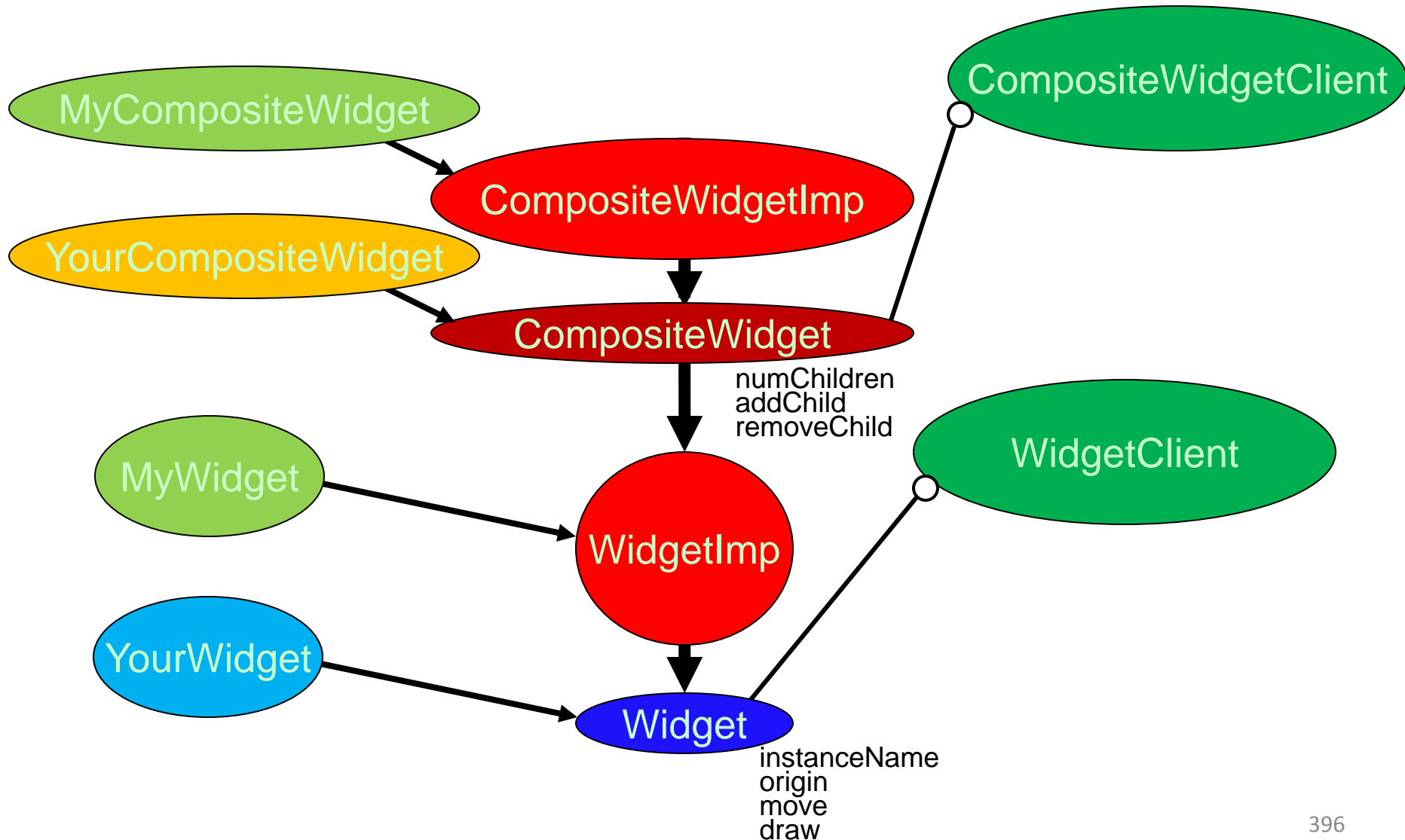
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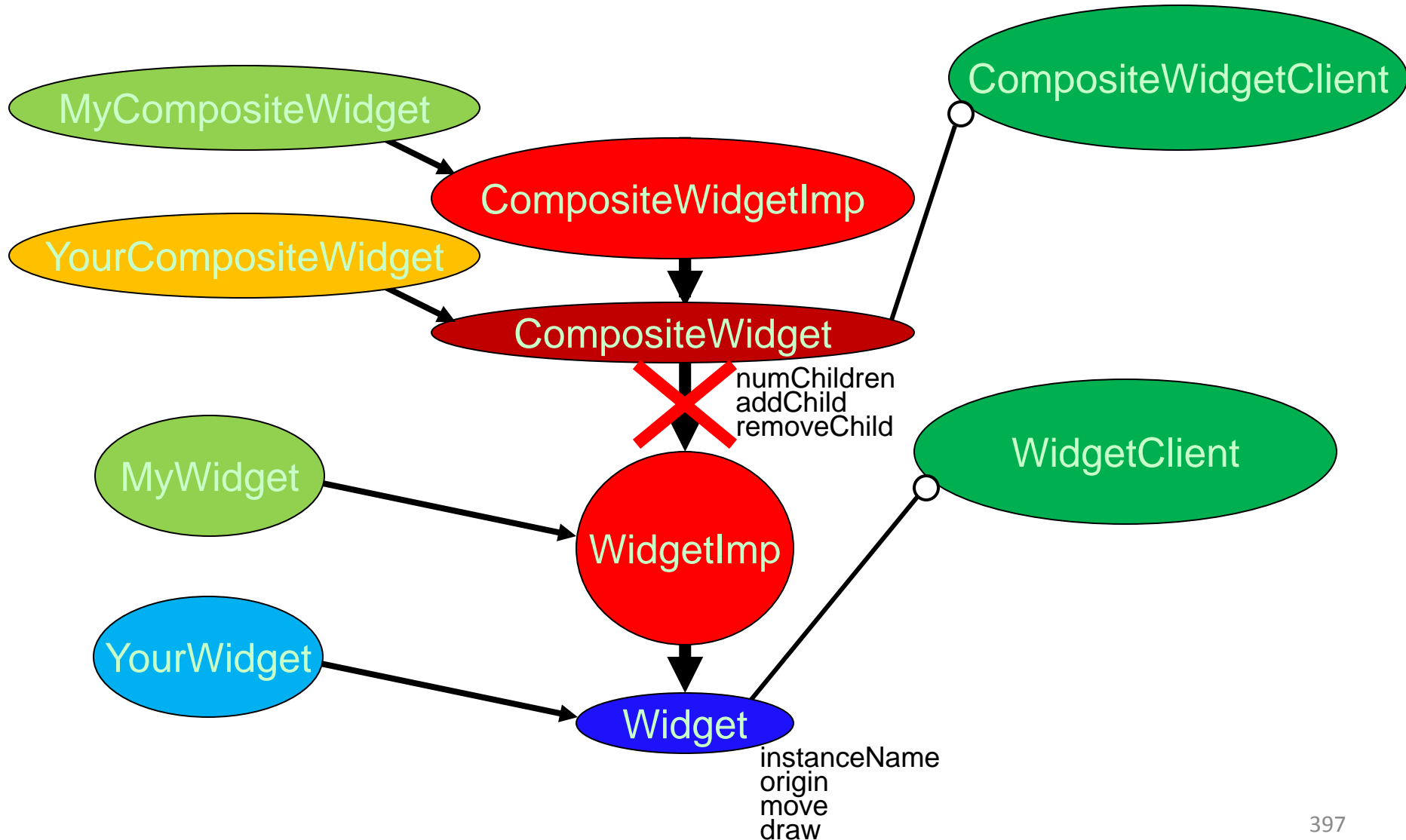
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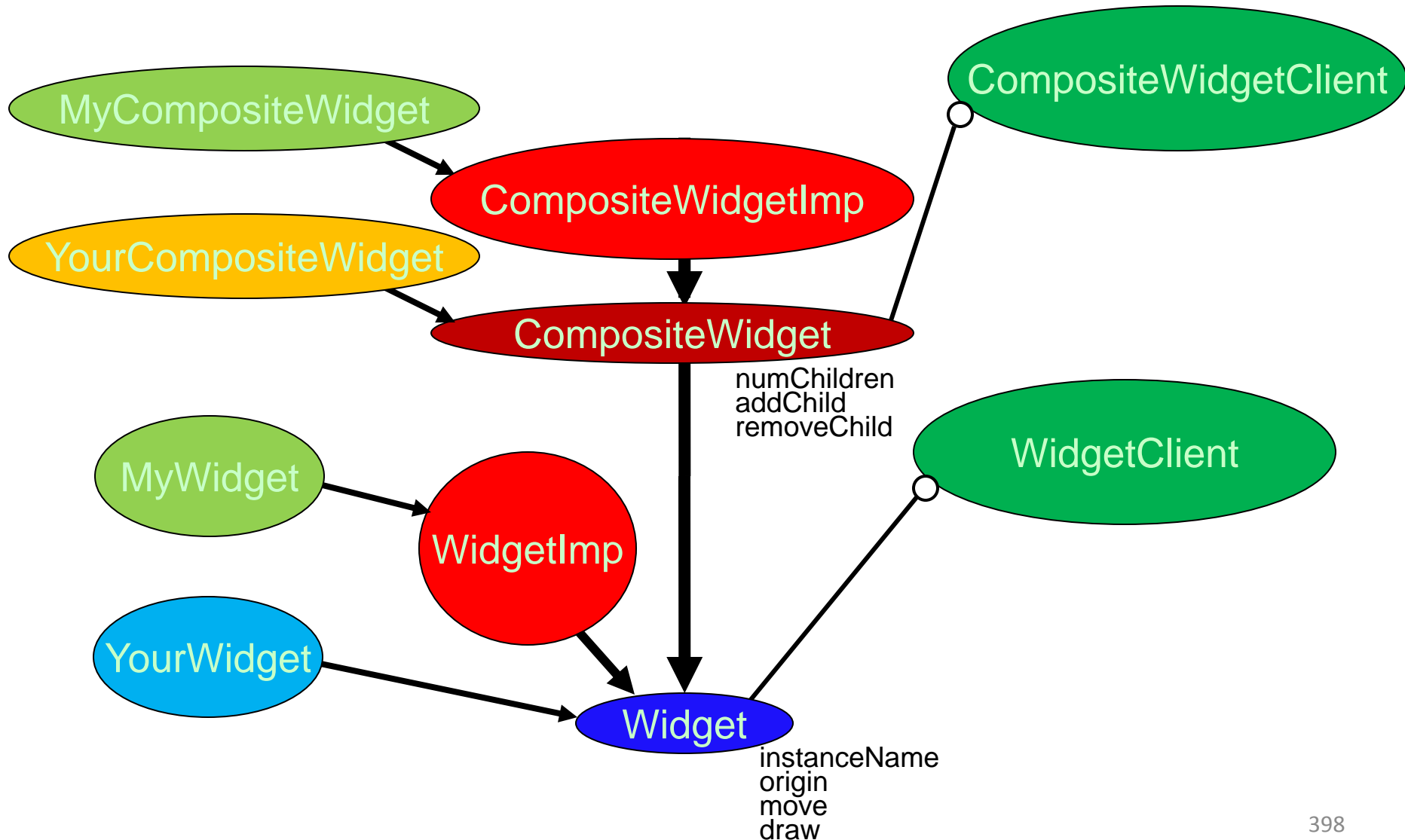
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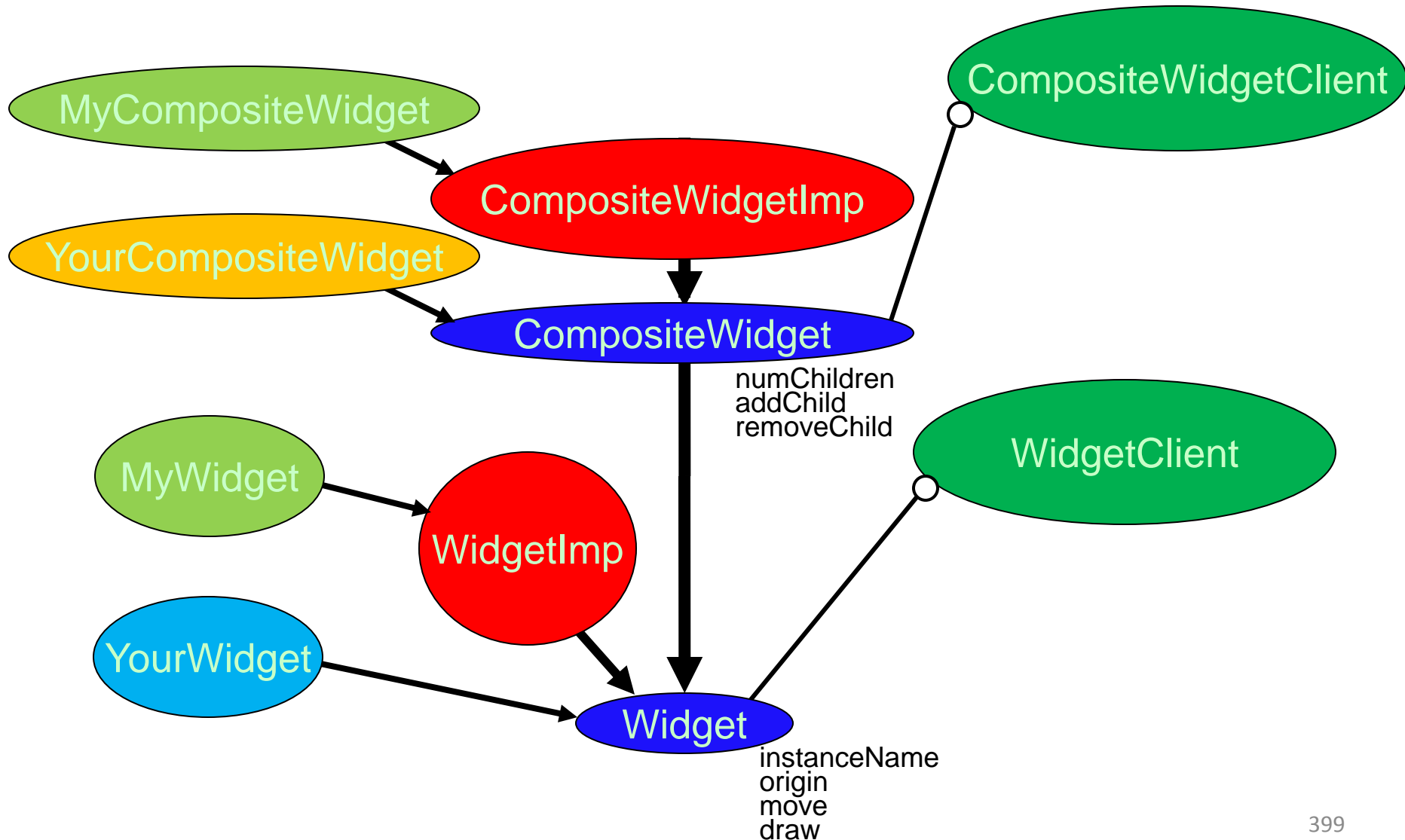
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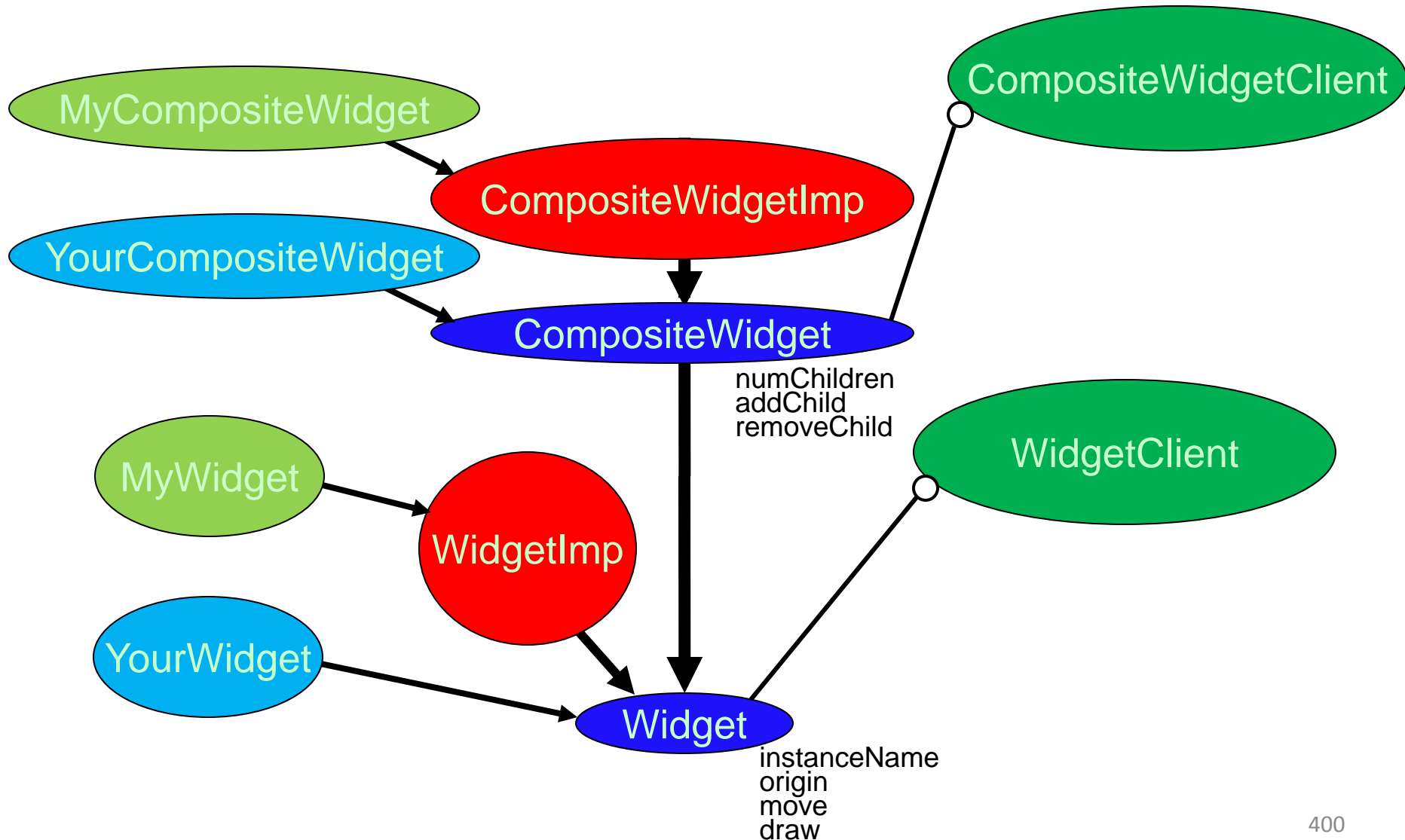
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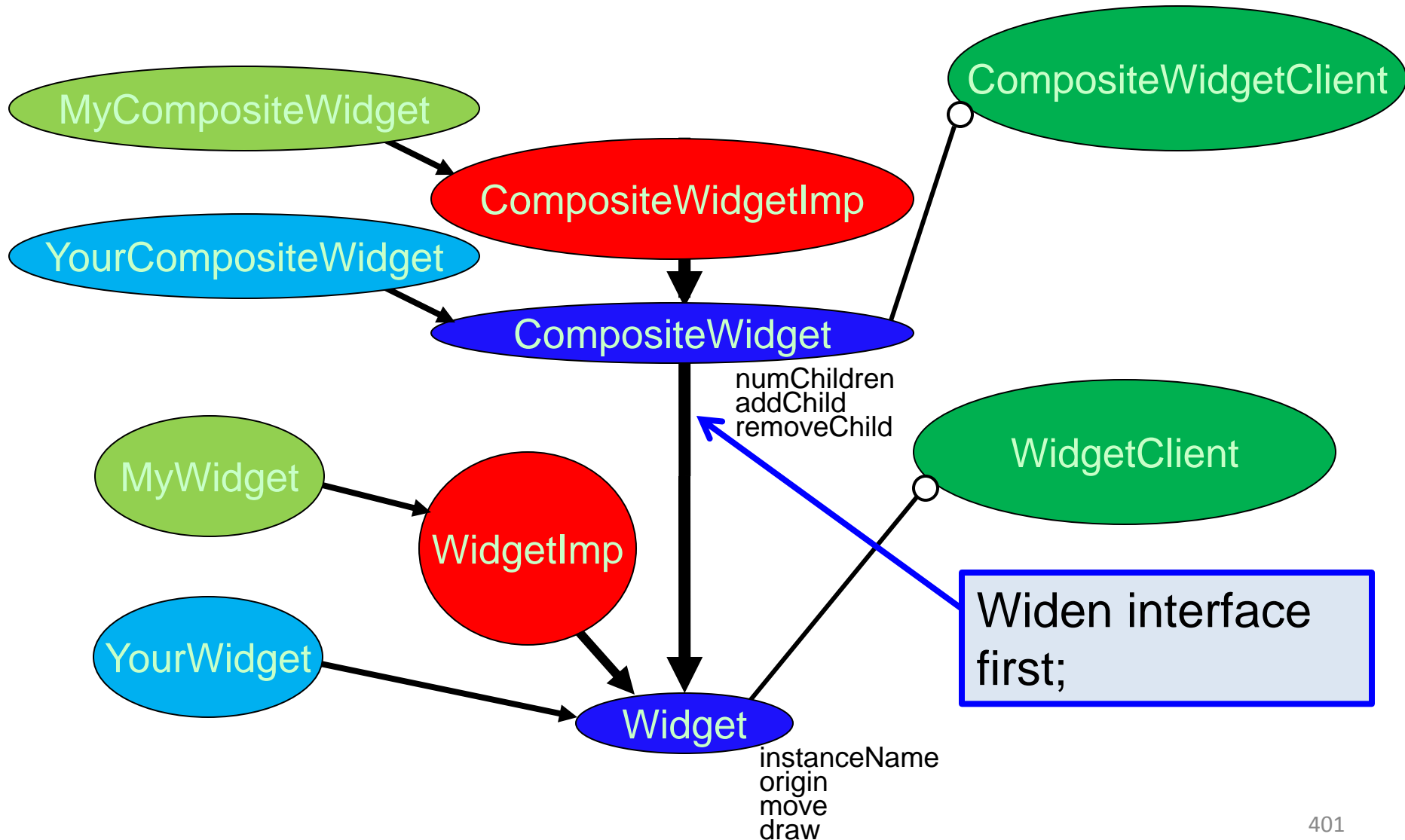
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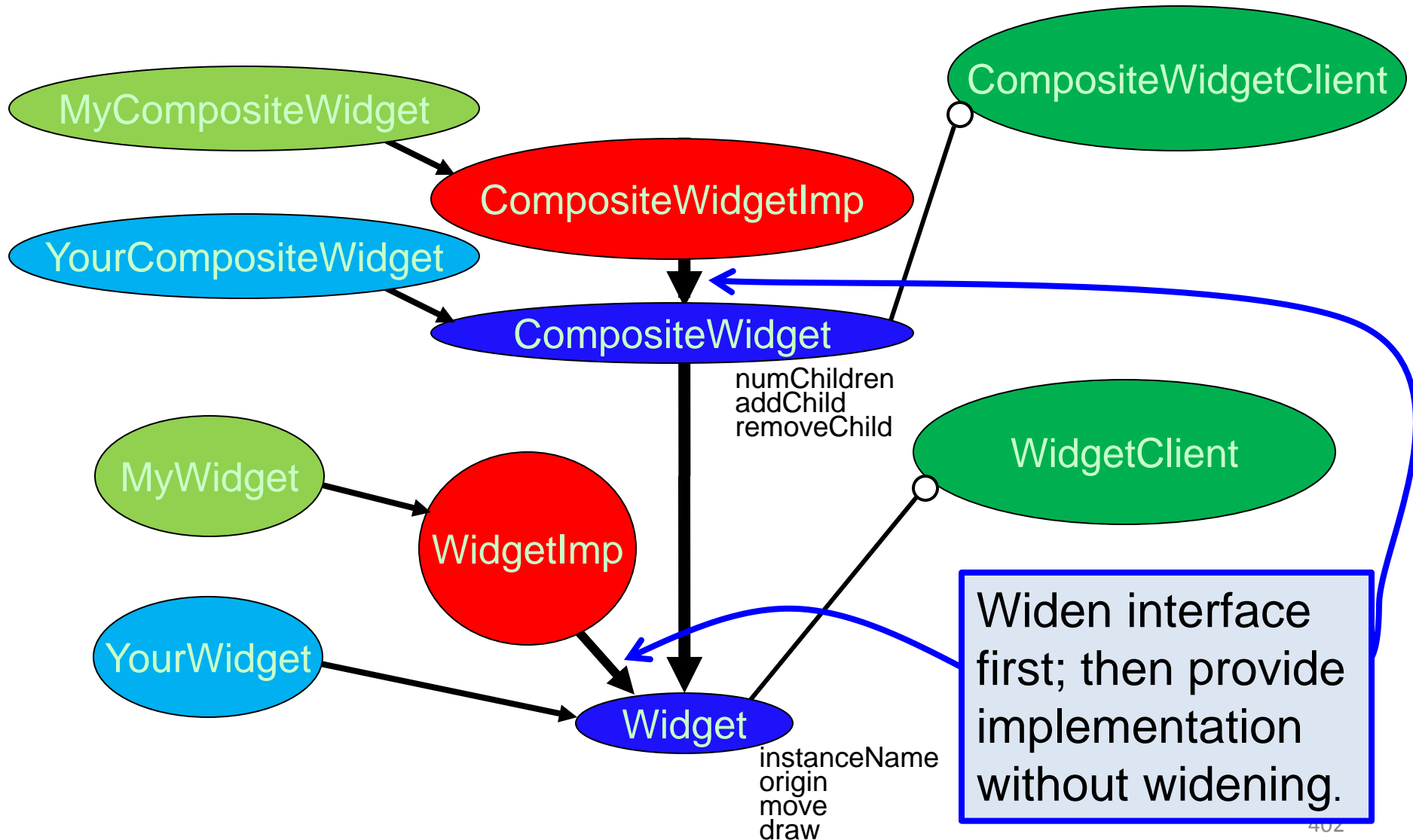
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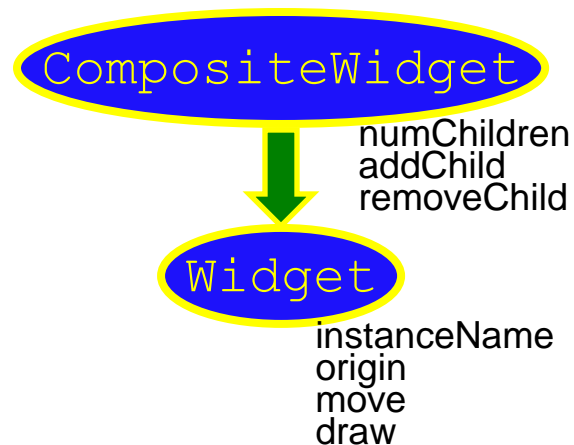
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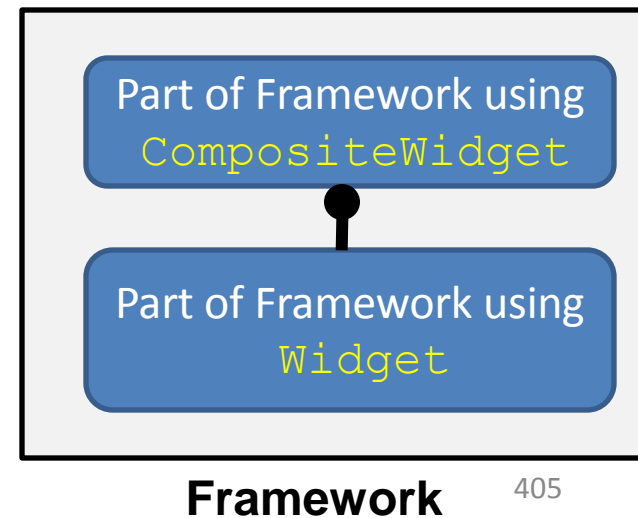
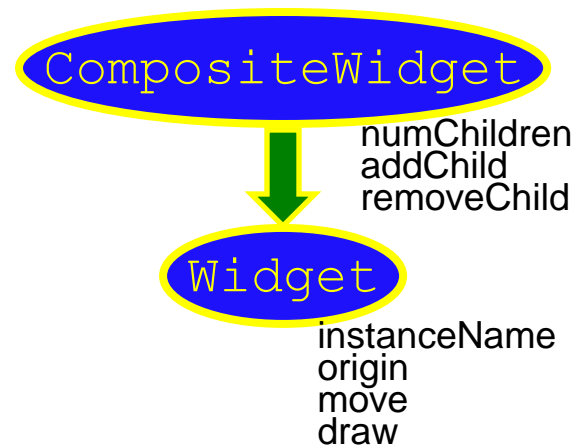
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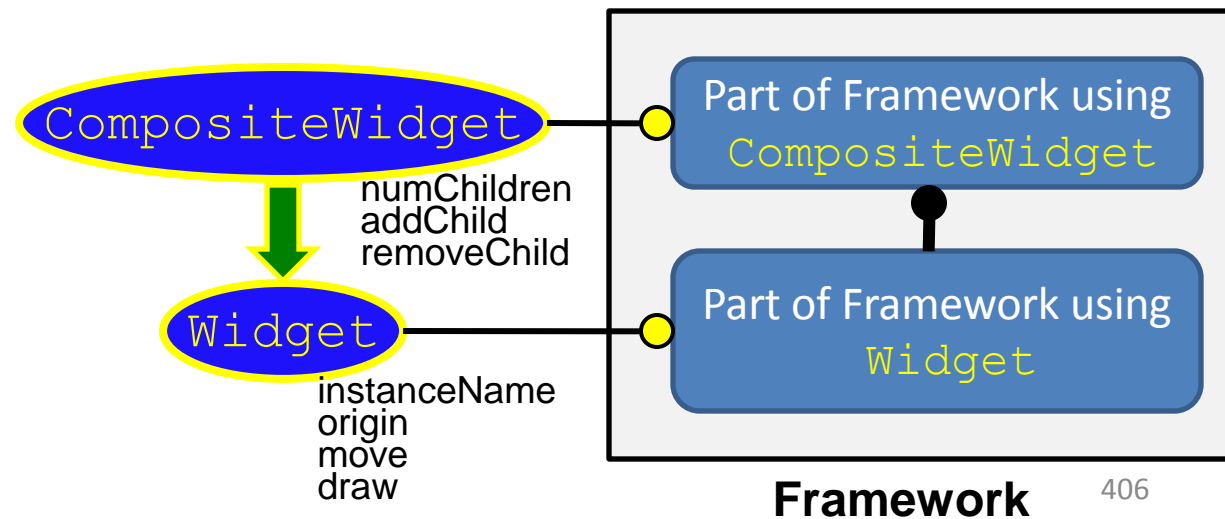
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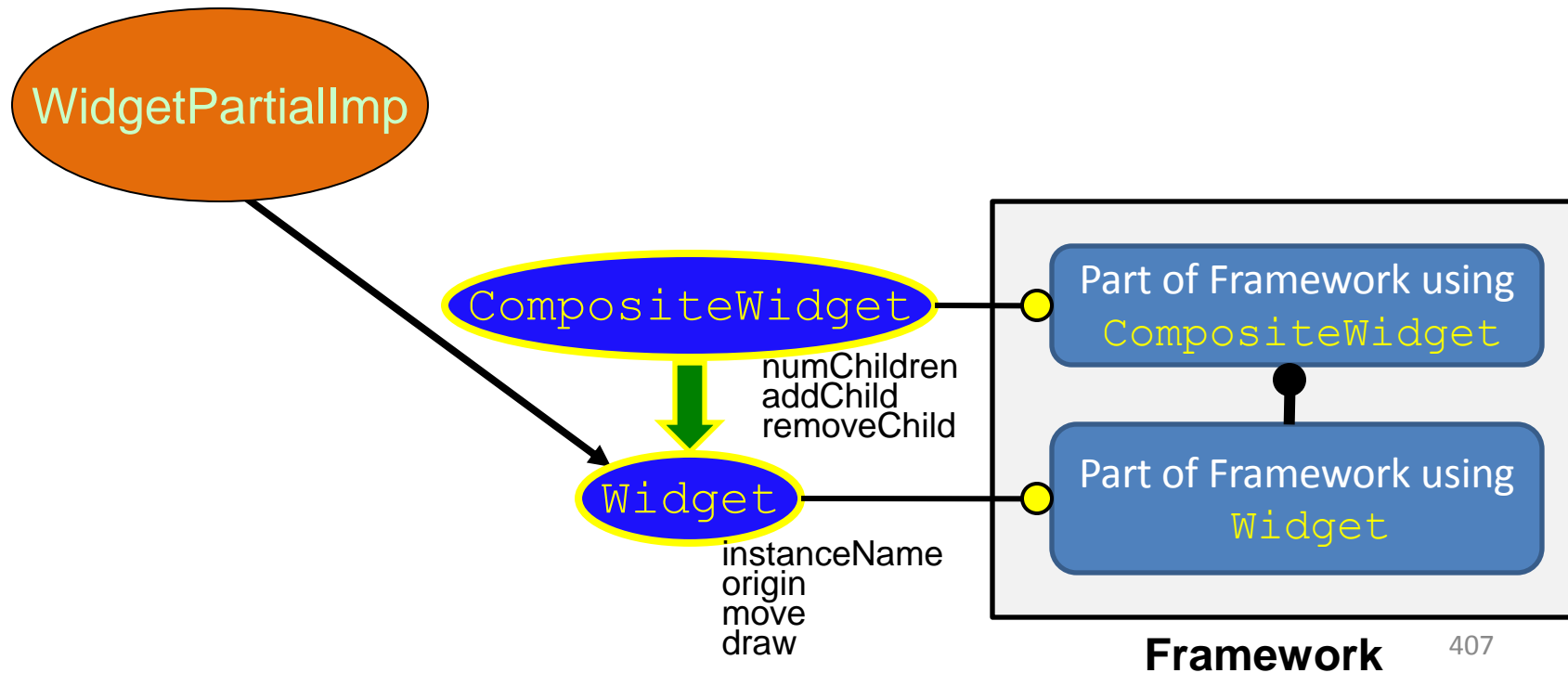
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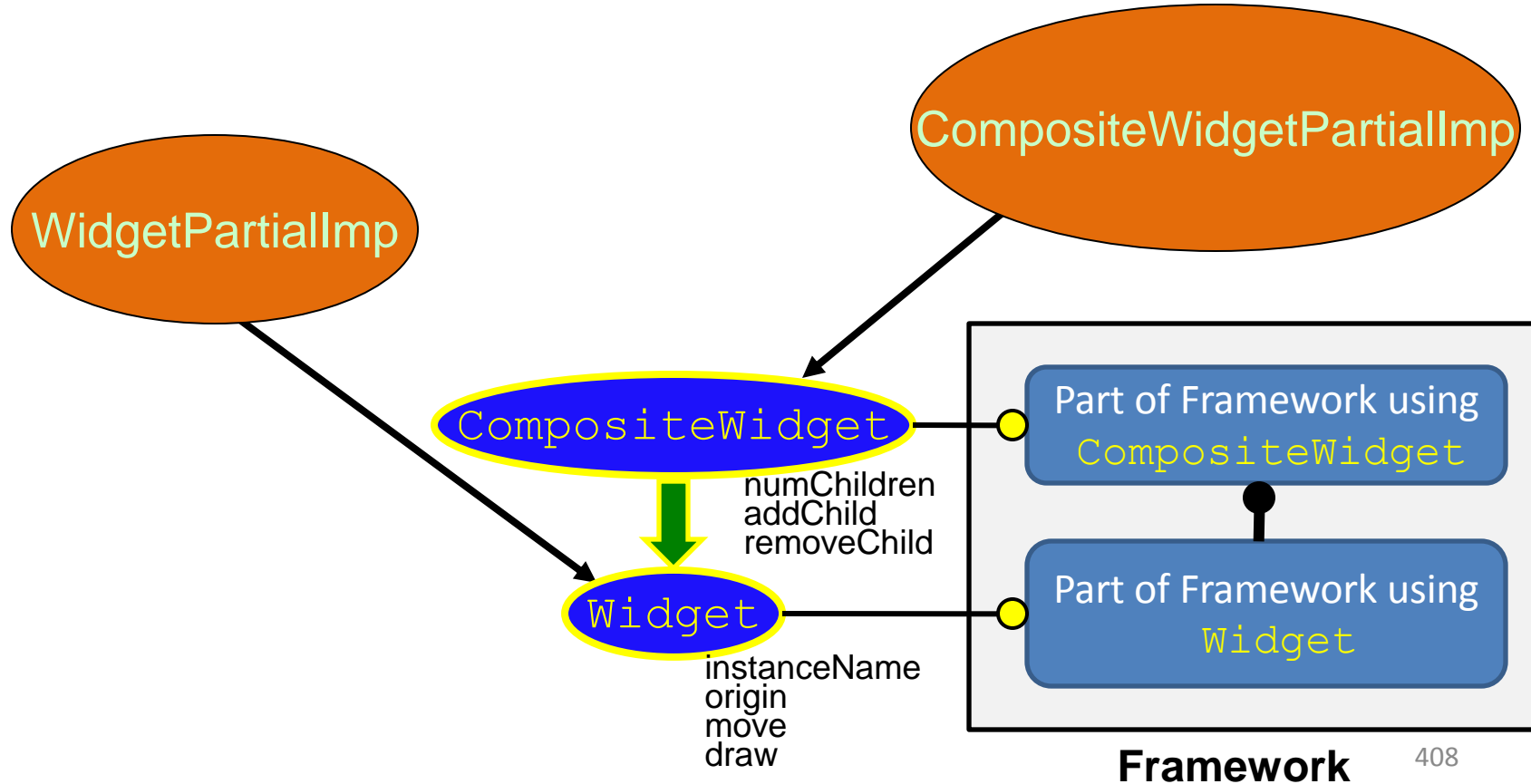
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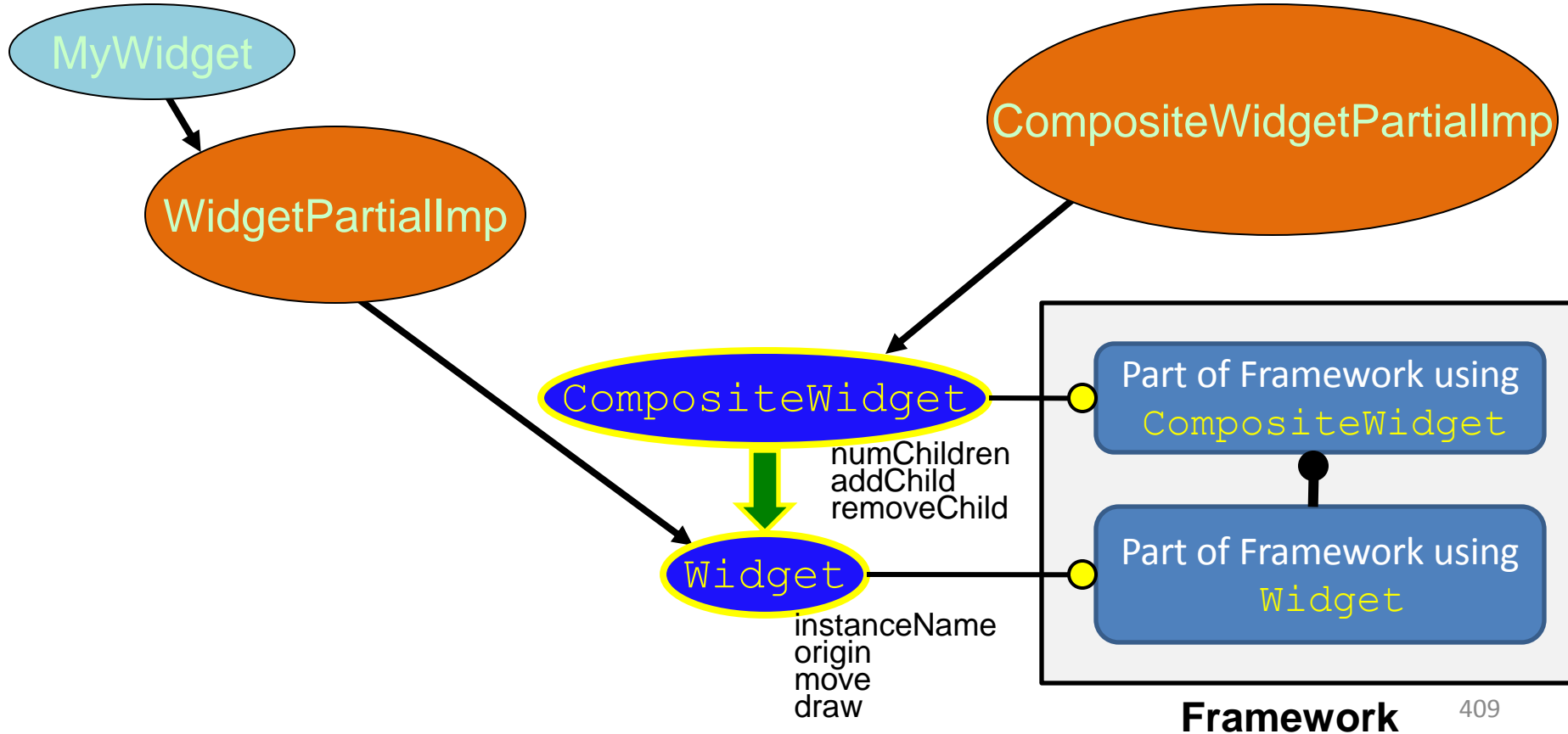
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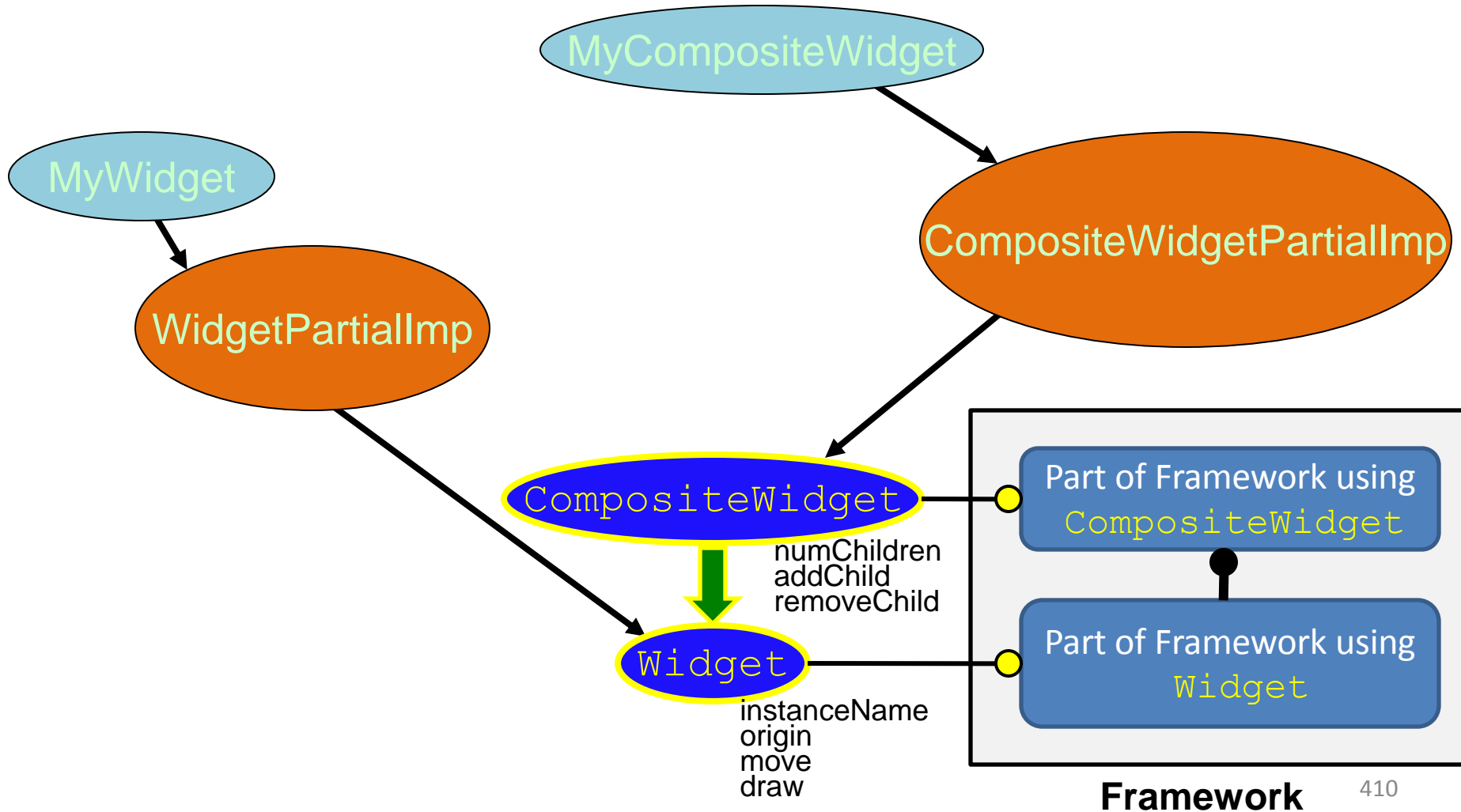
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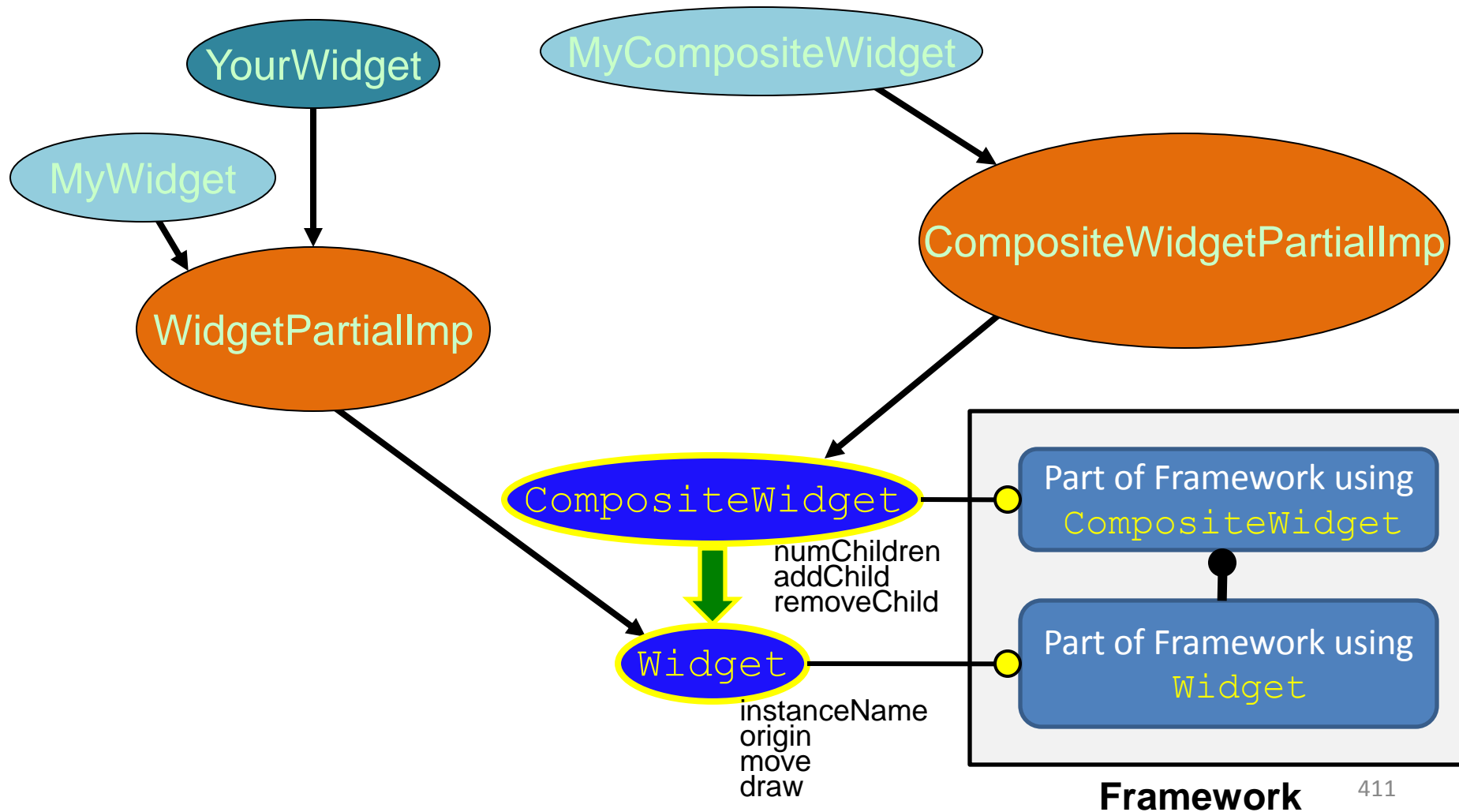
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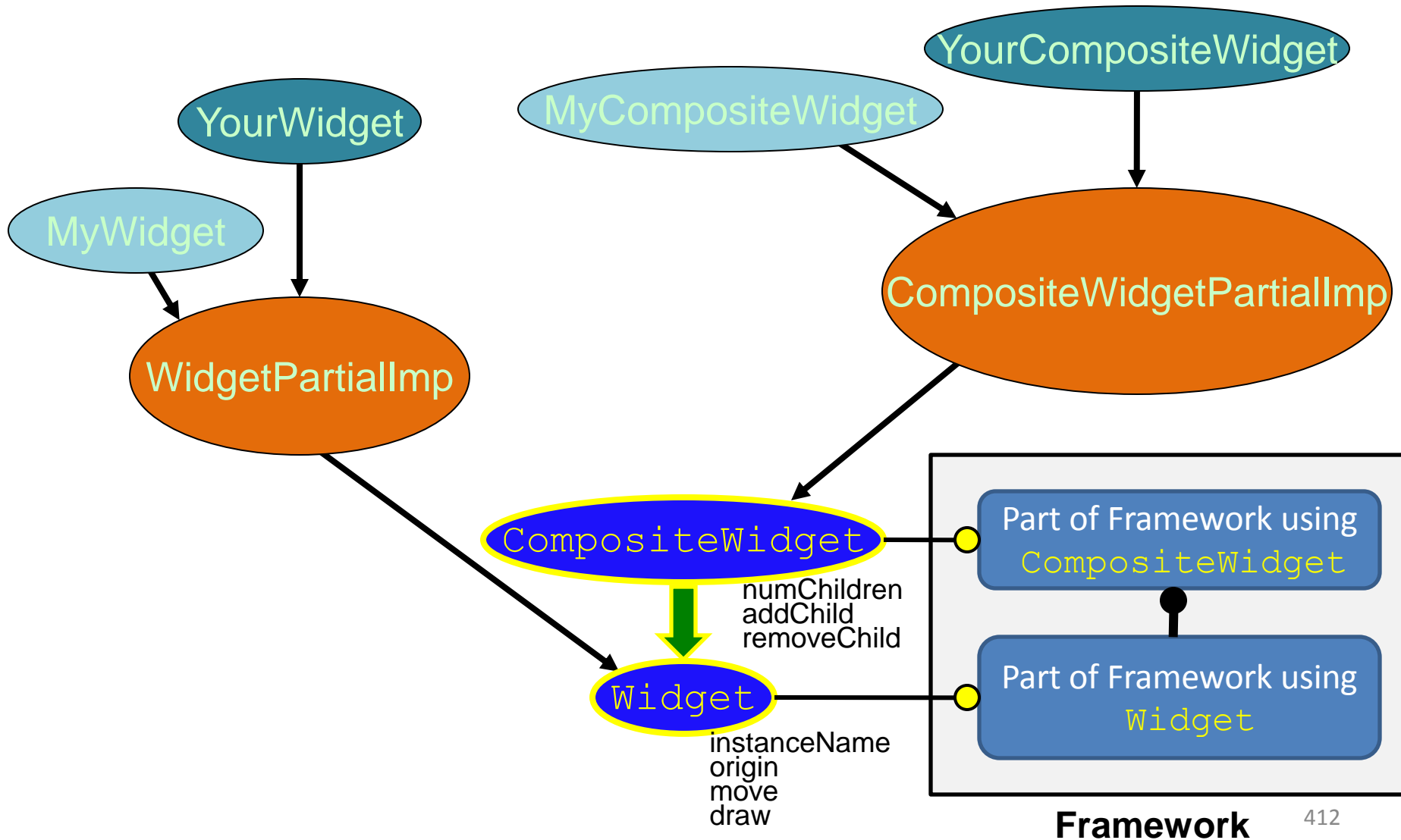
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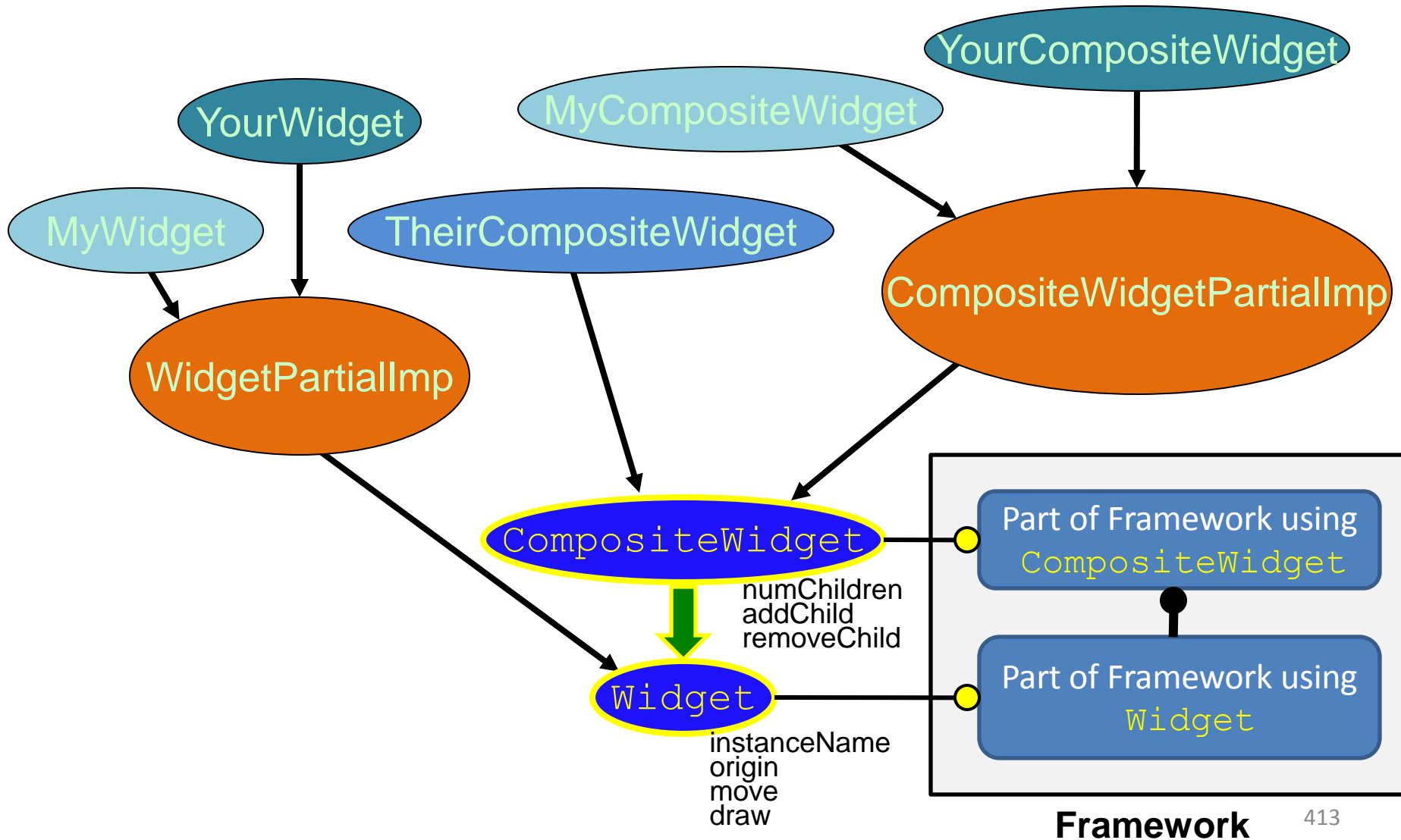
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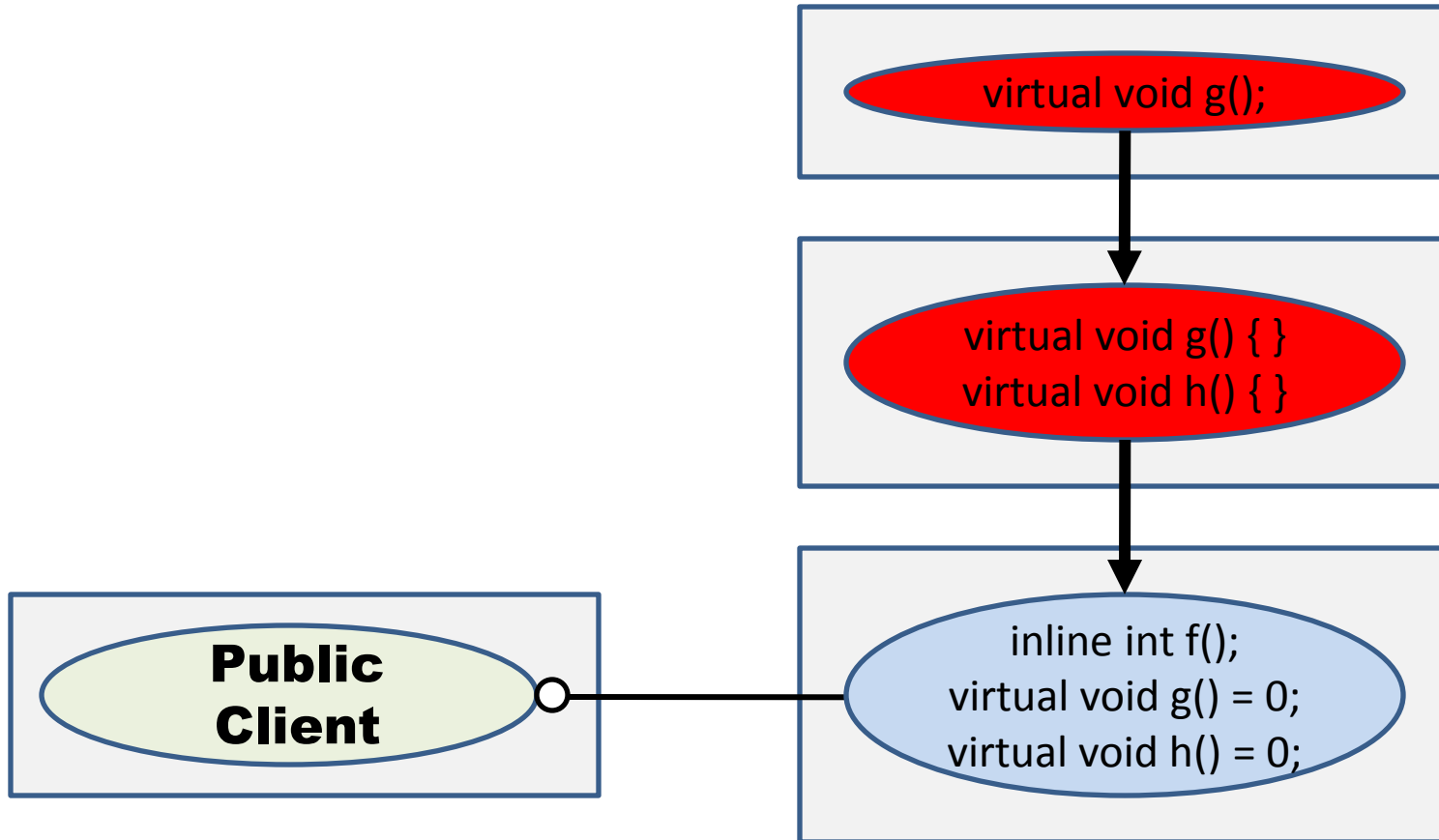
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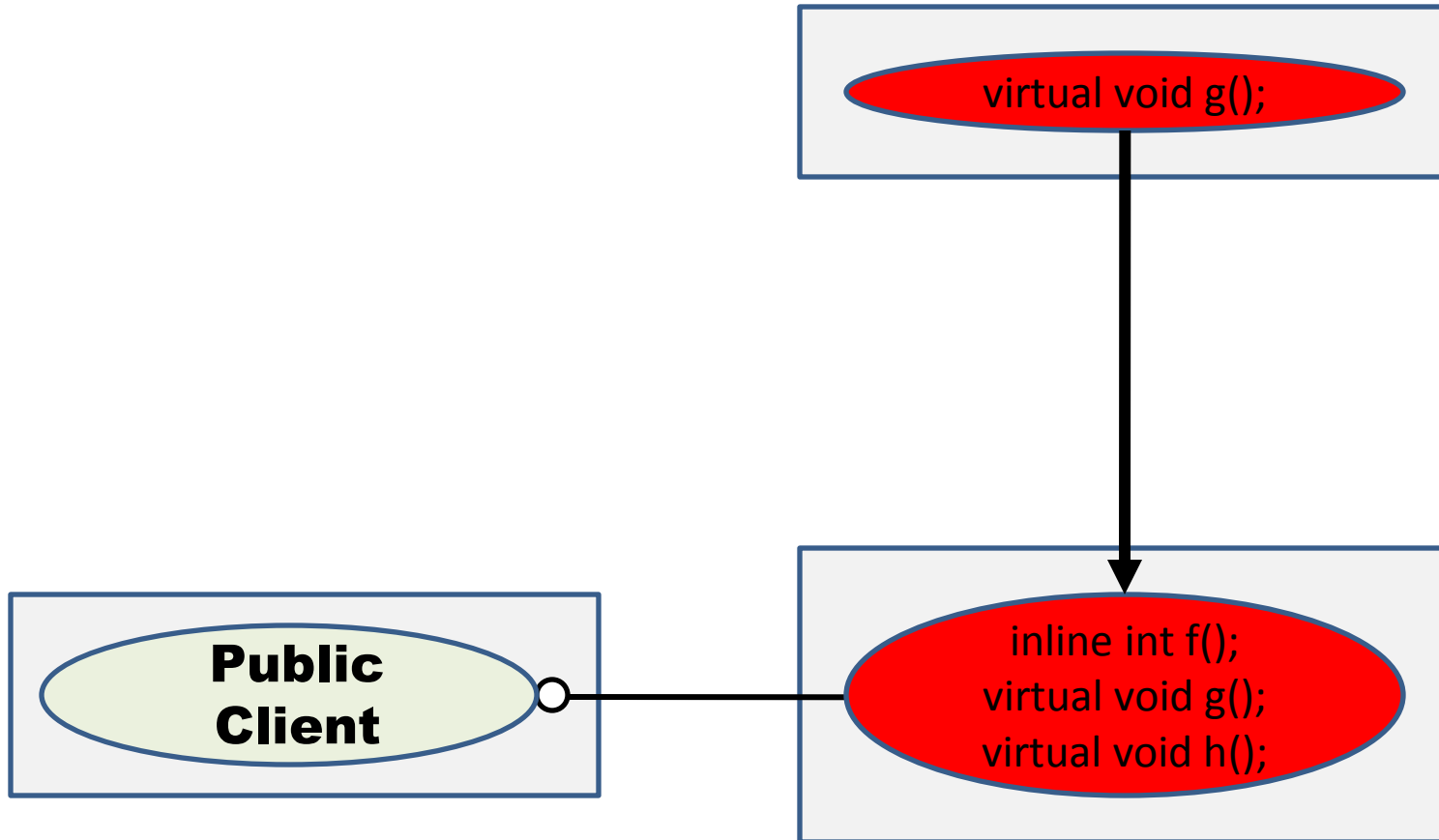
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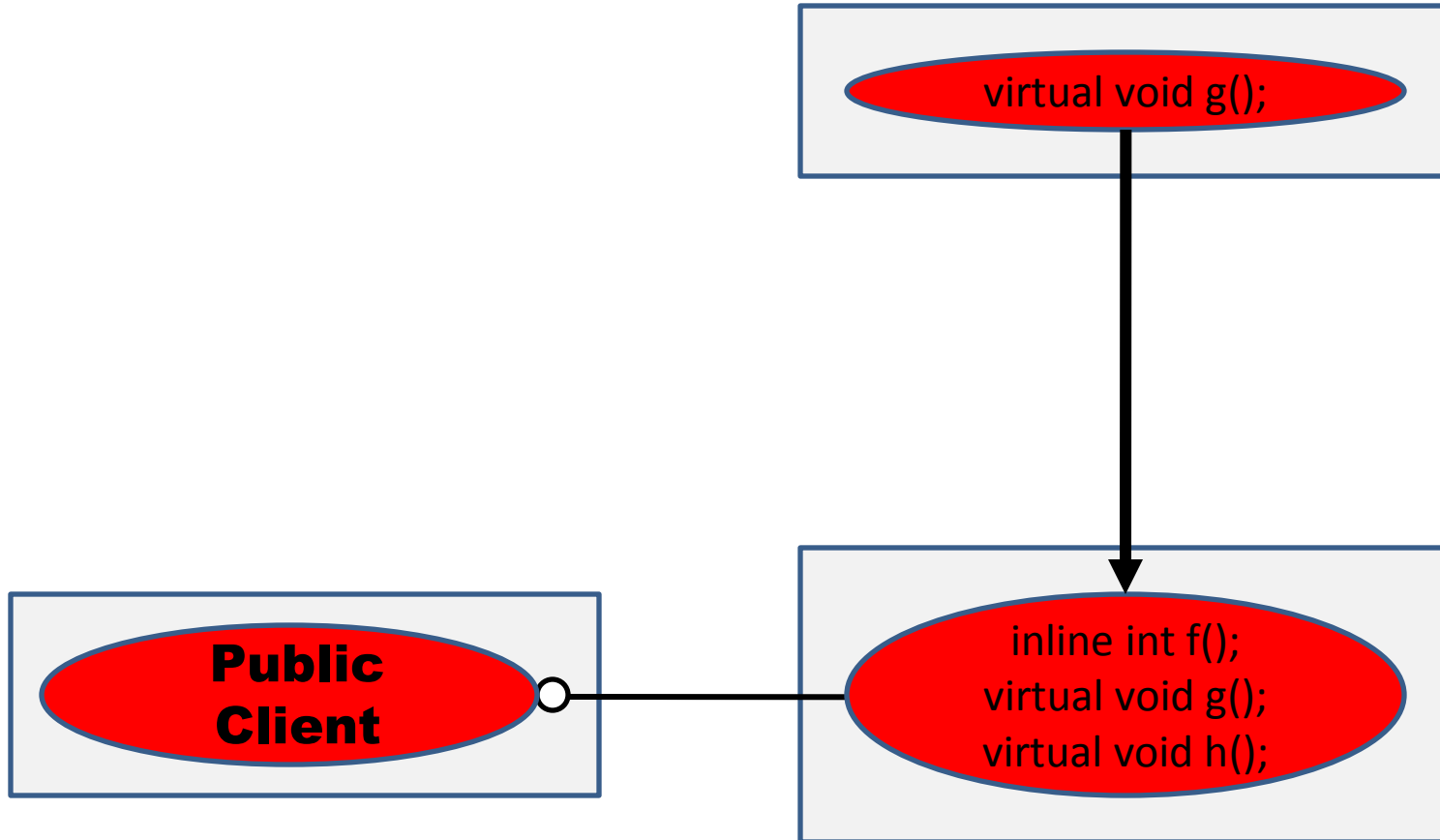
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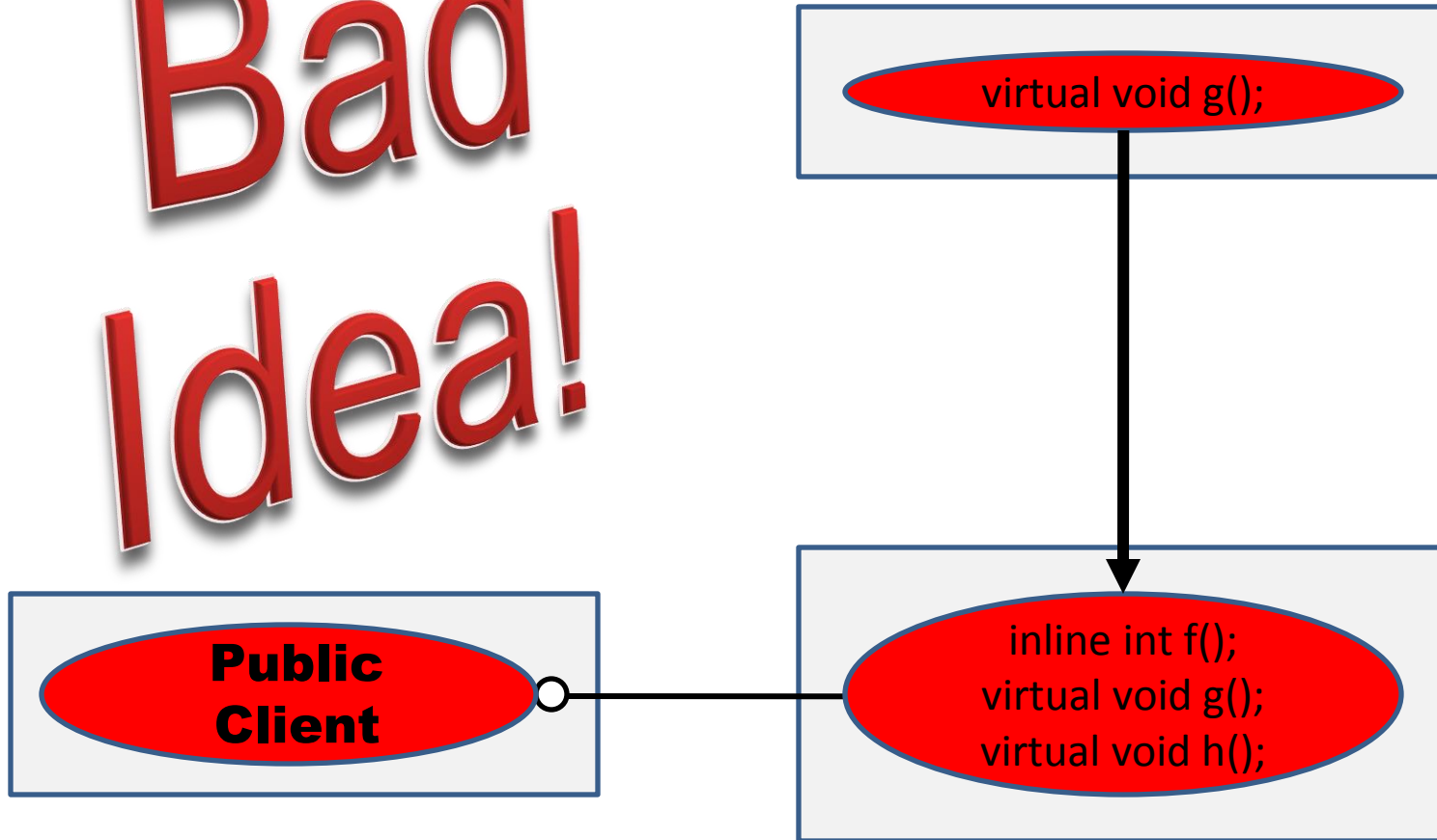
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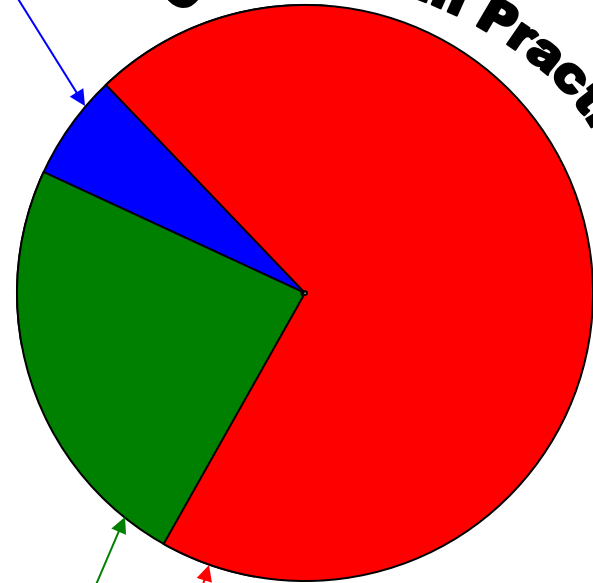
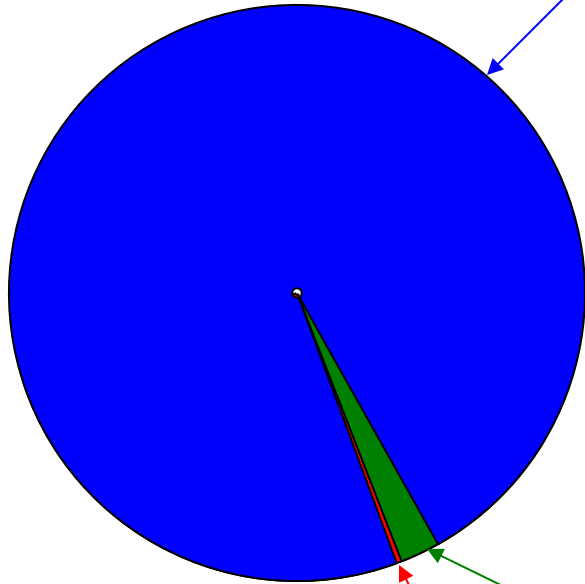
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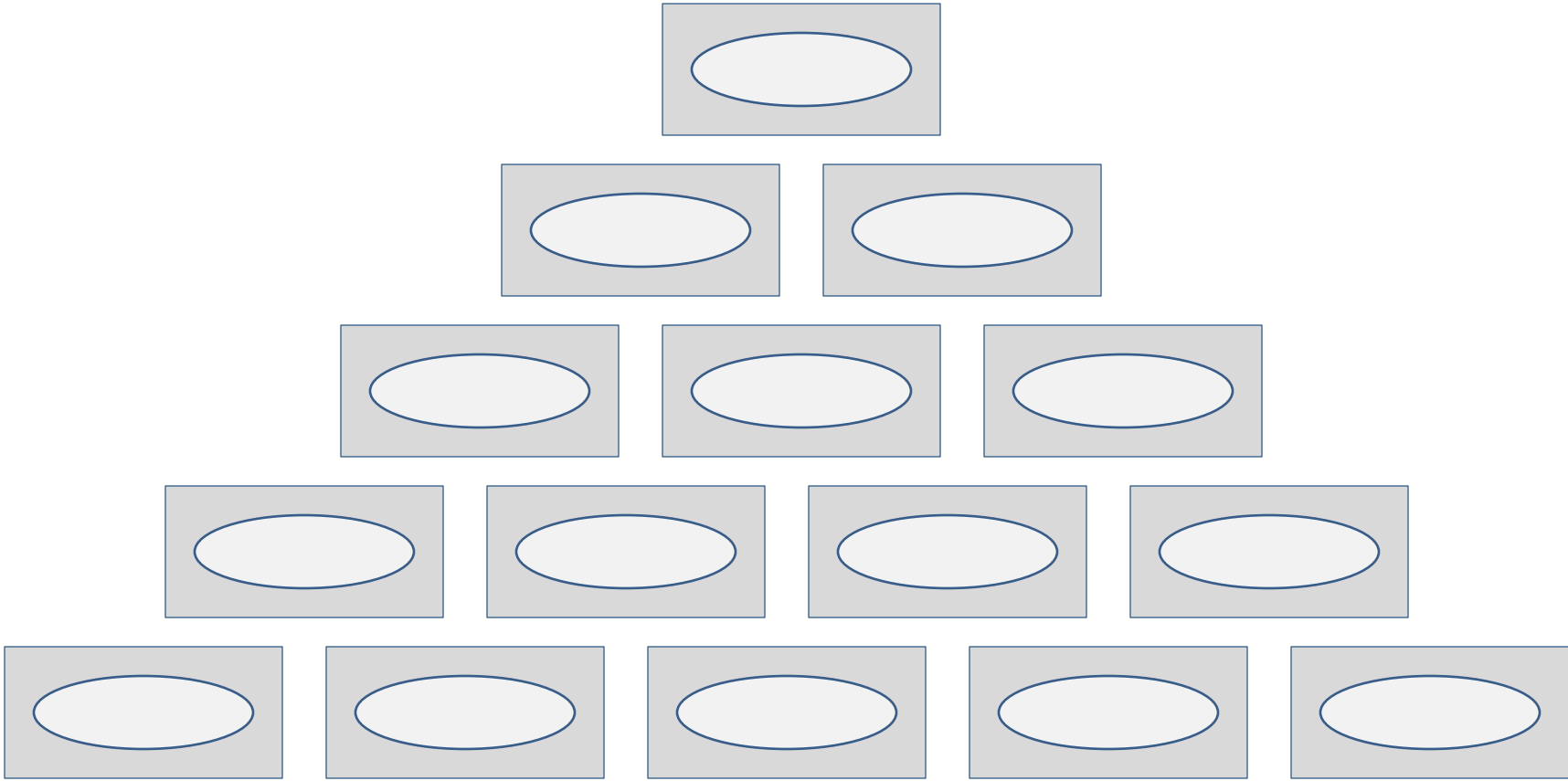


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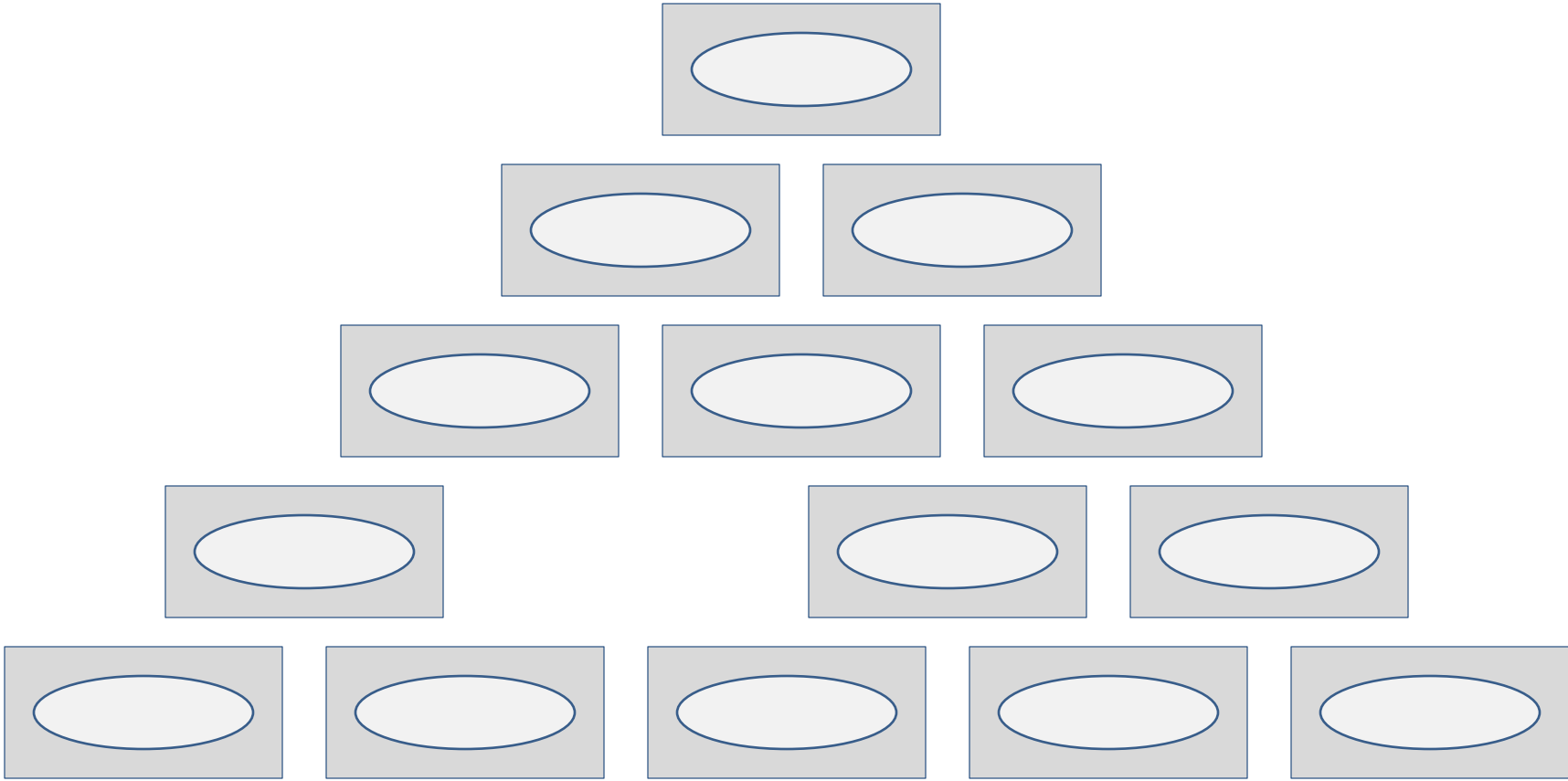
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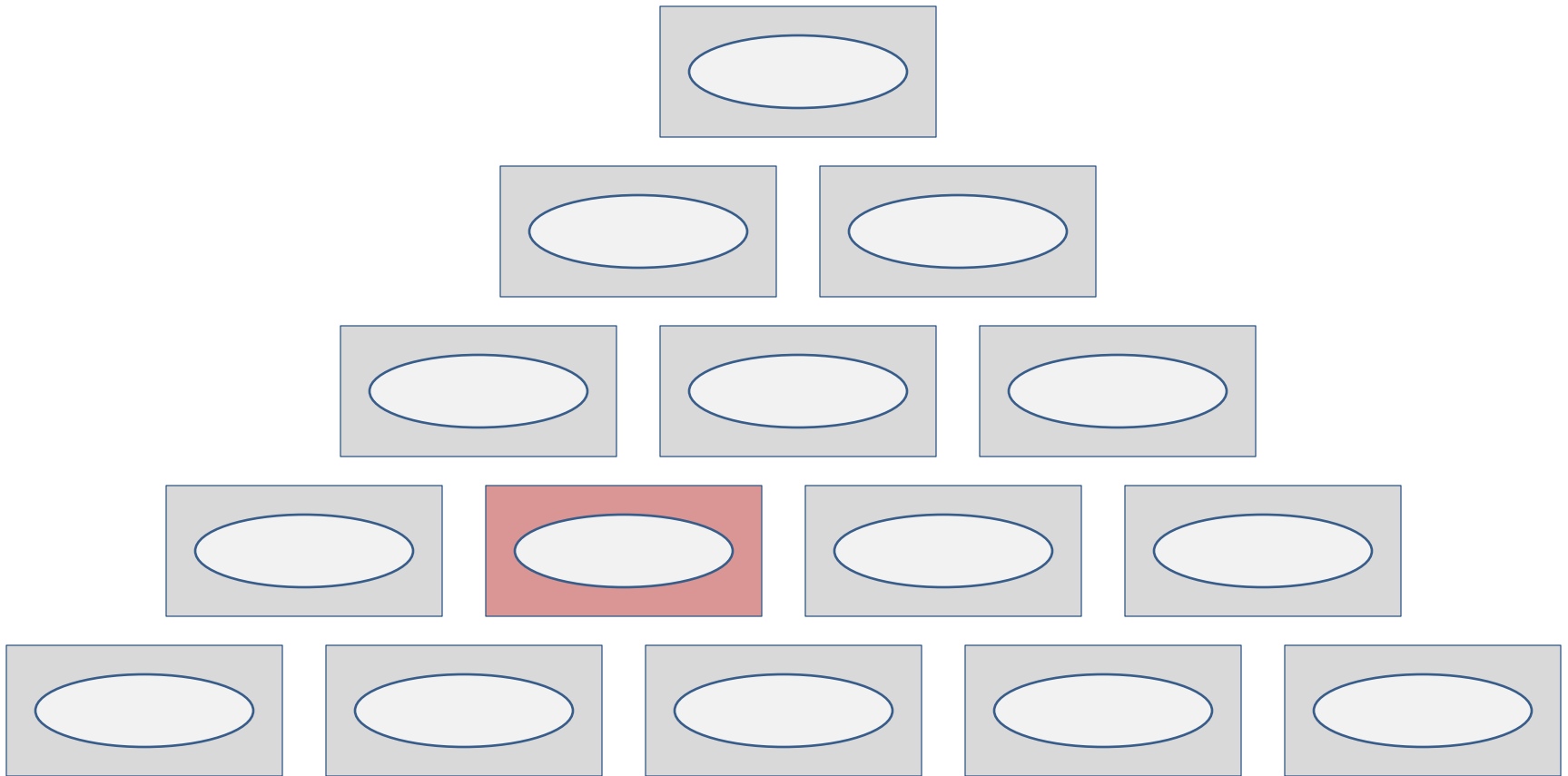
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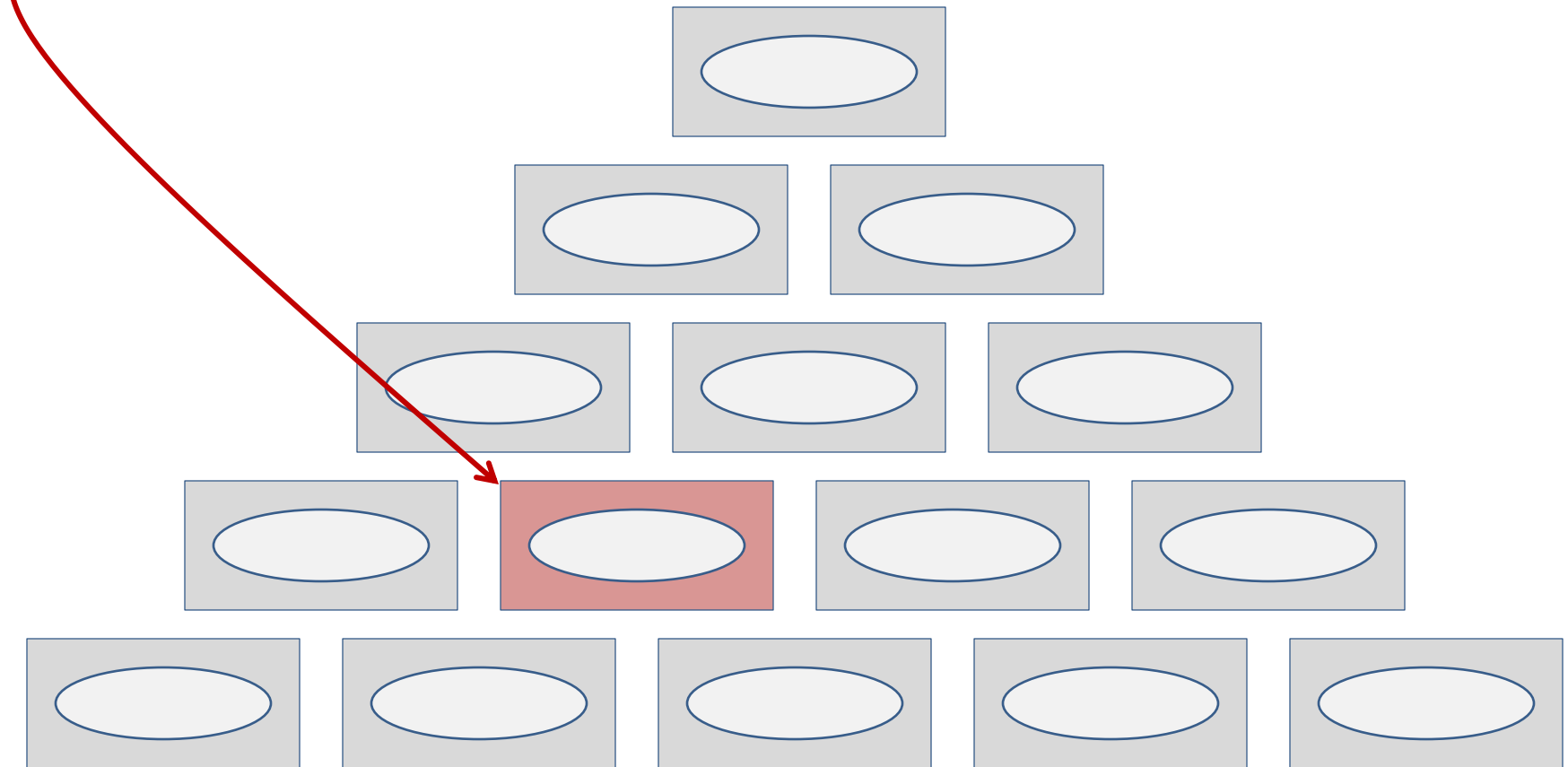
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