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# Making Apps with Core Data

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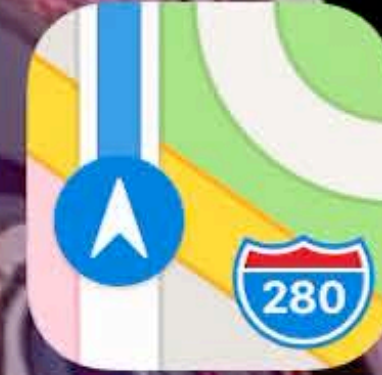
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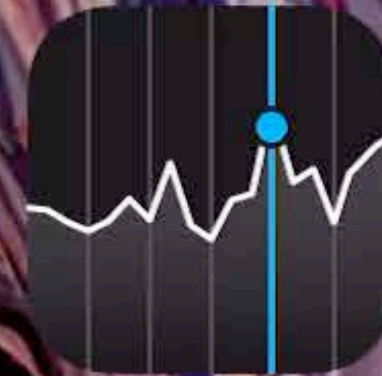
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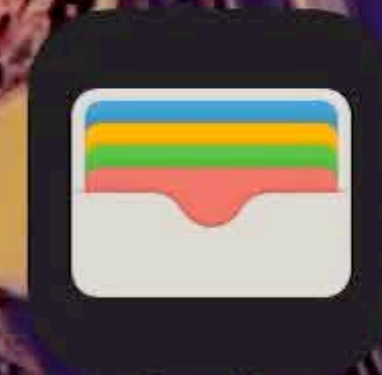
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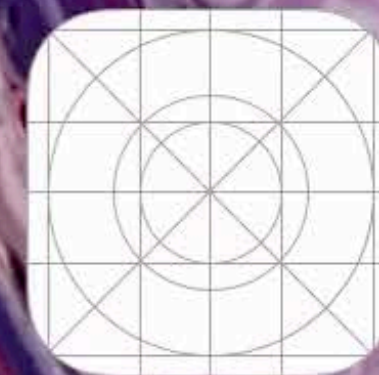
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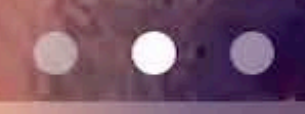
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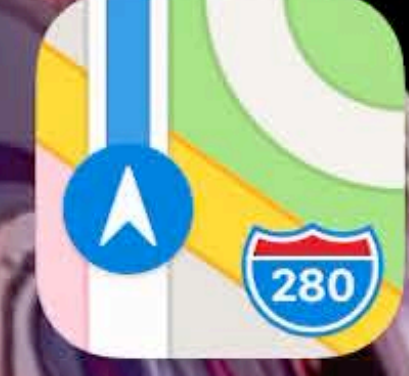
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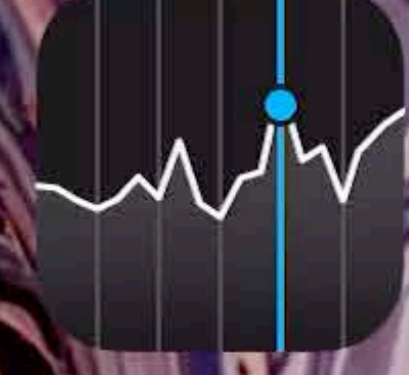
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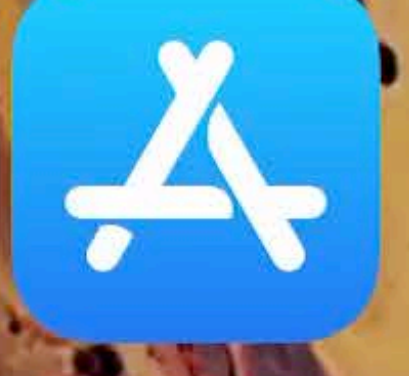
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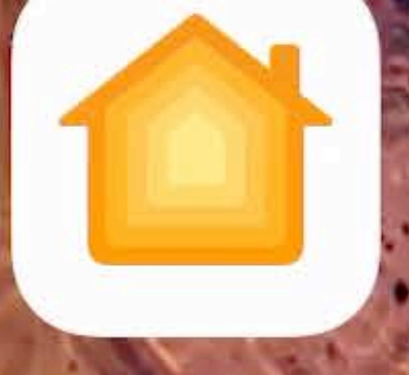
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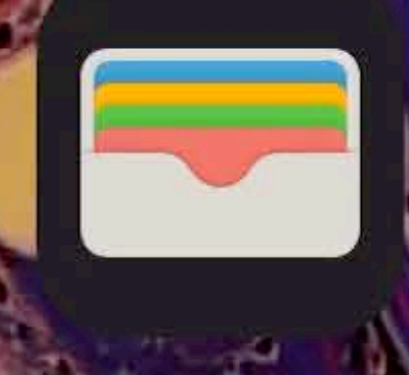
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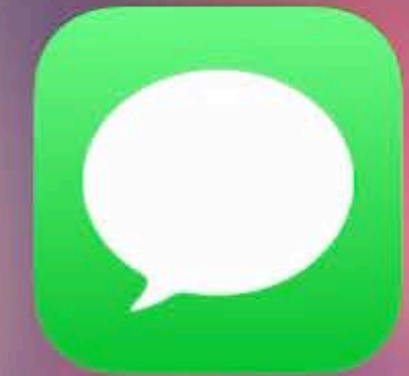
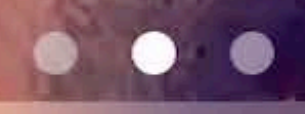
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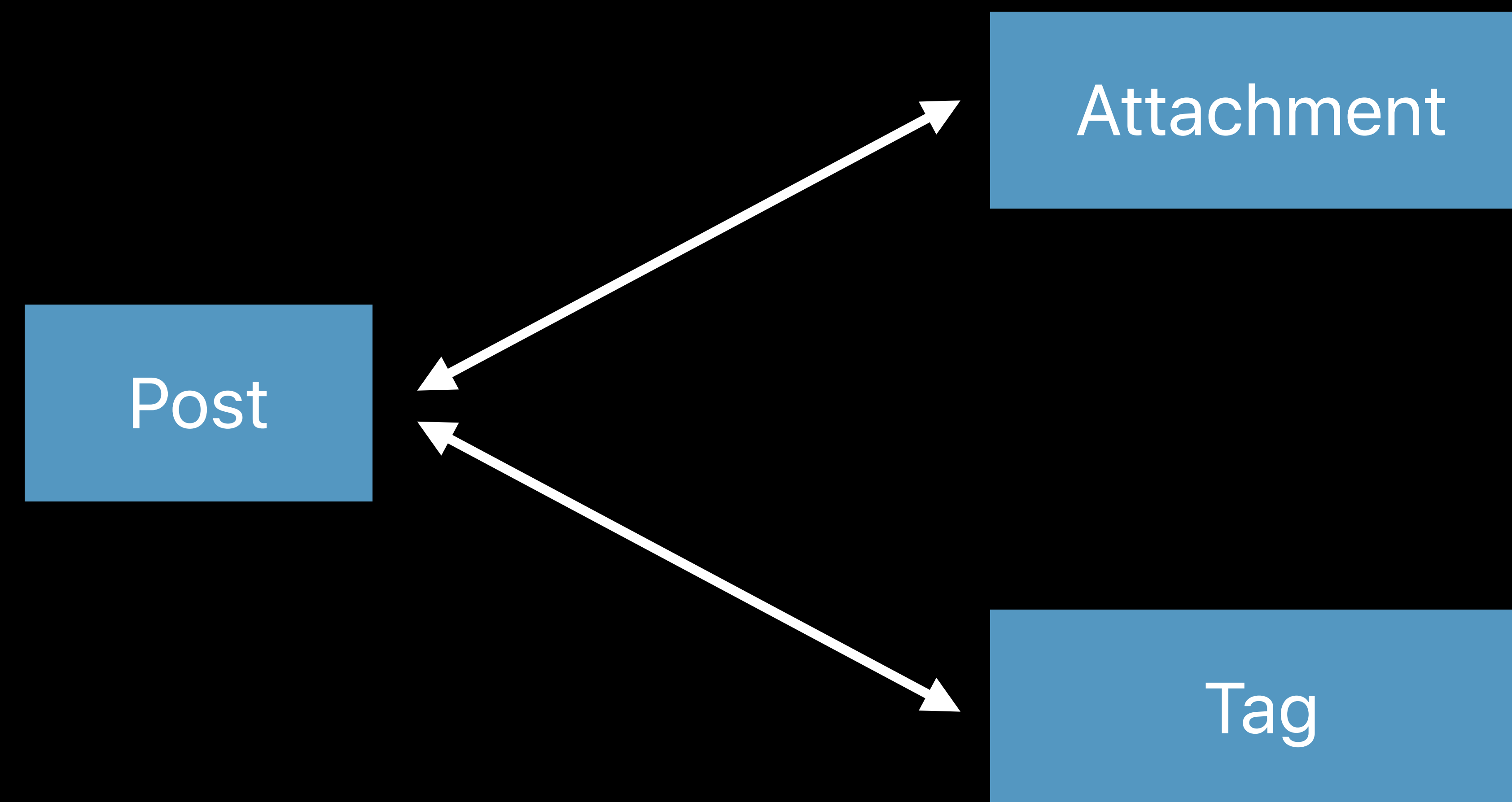


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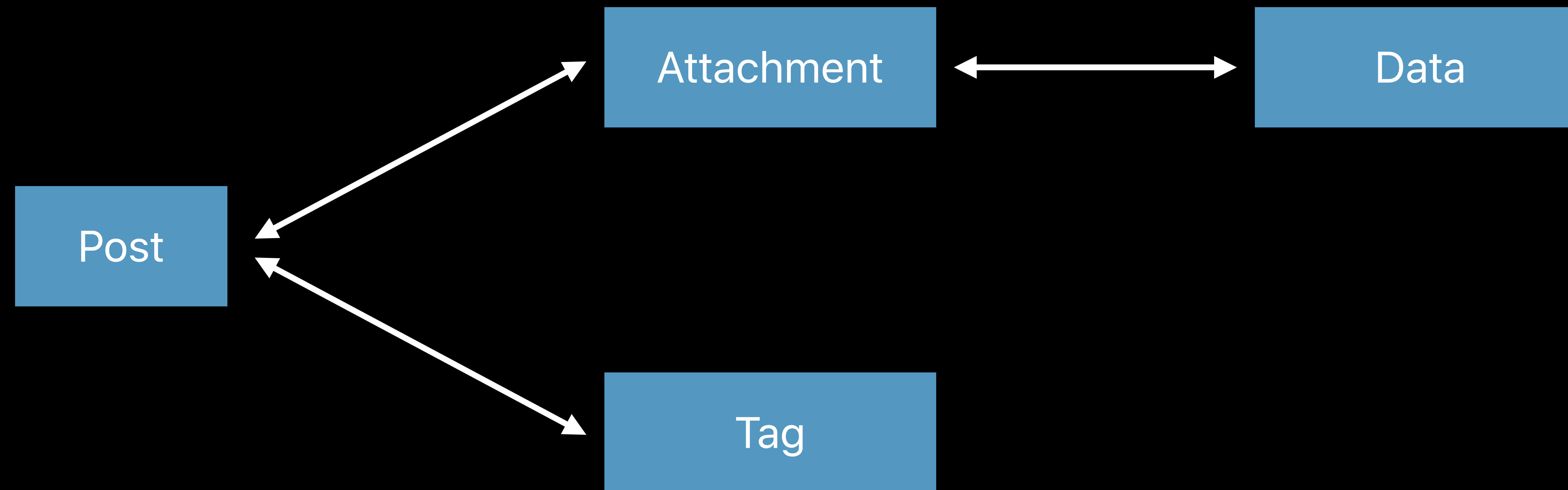
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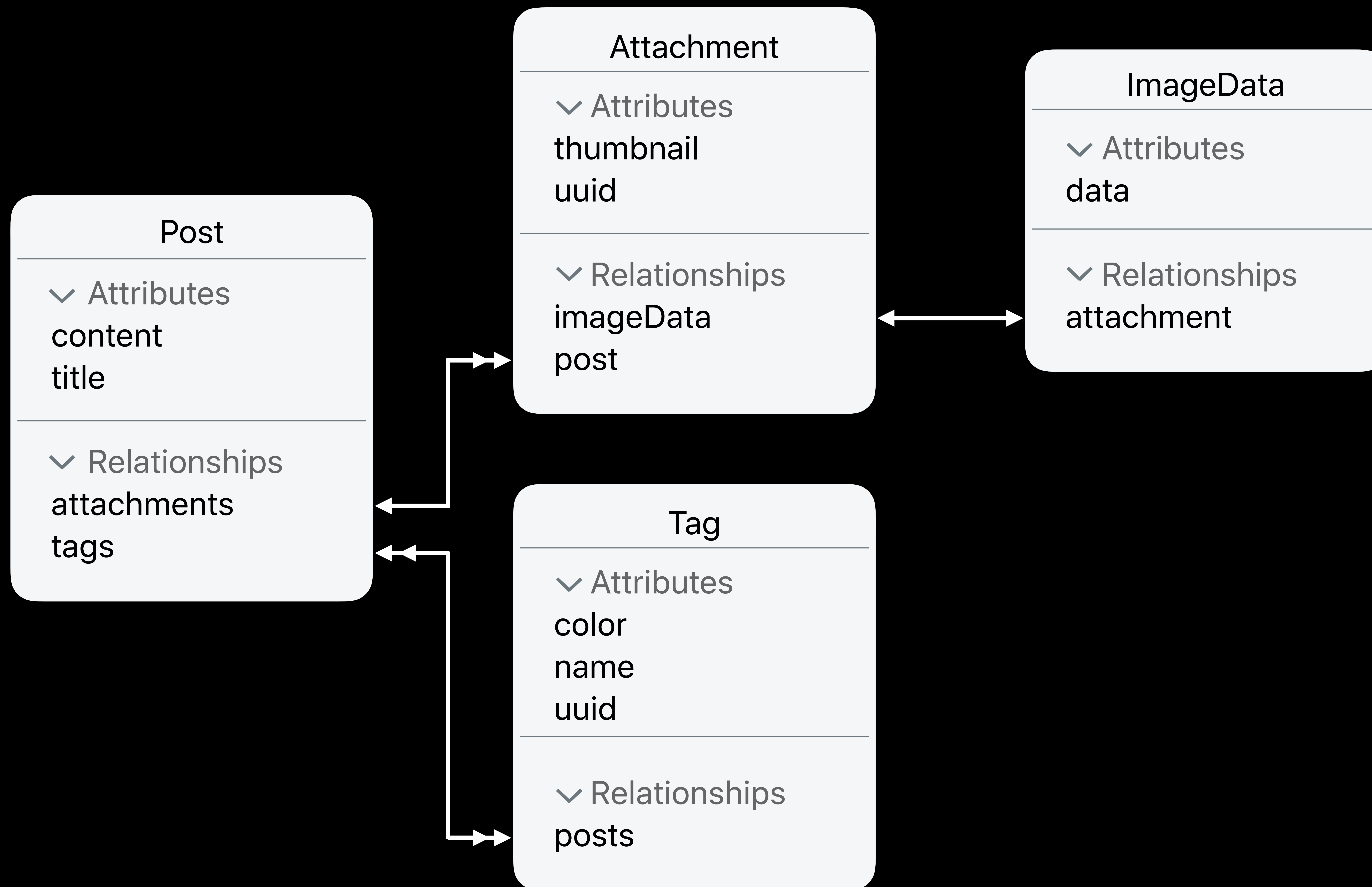
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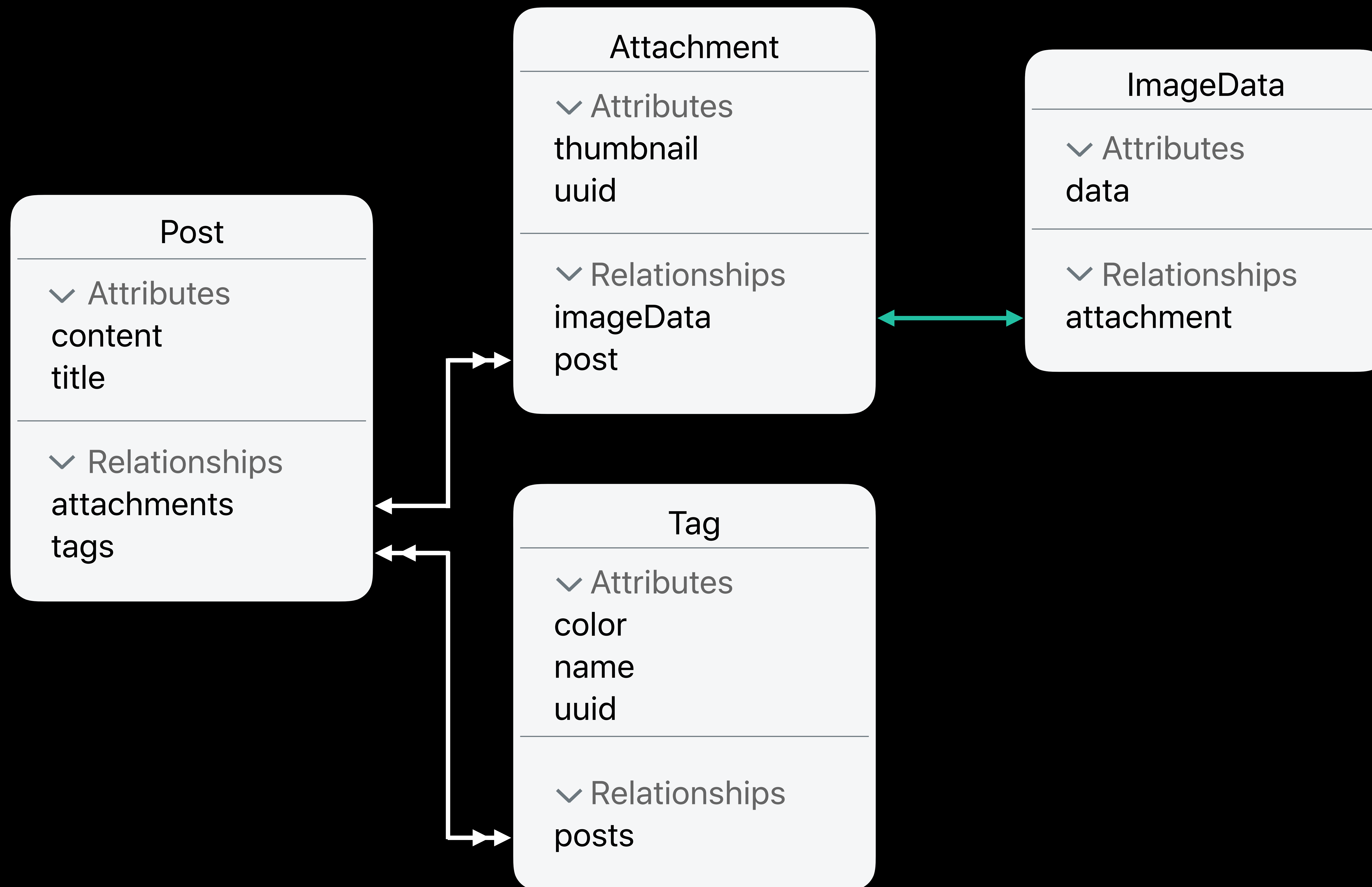


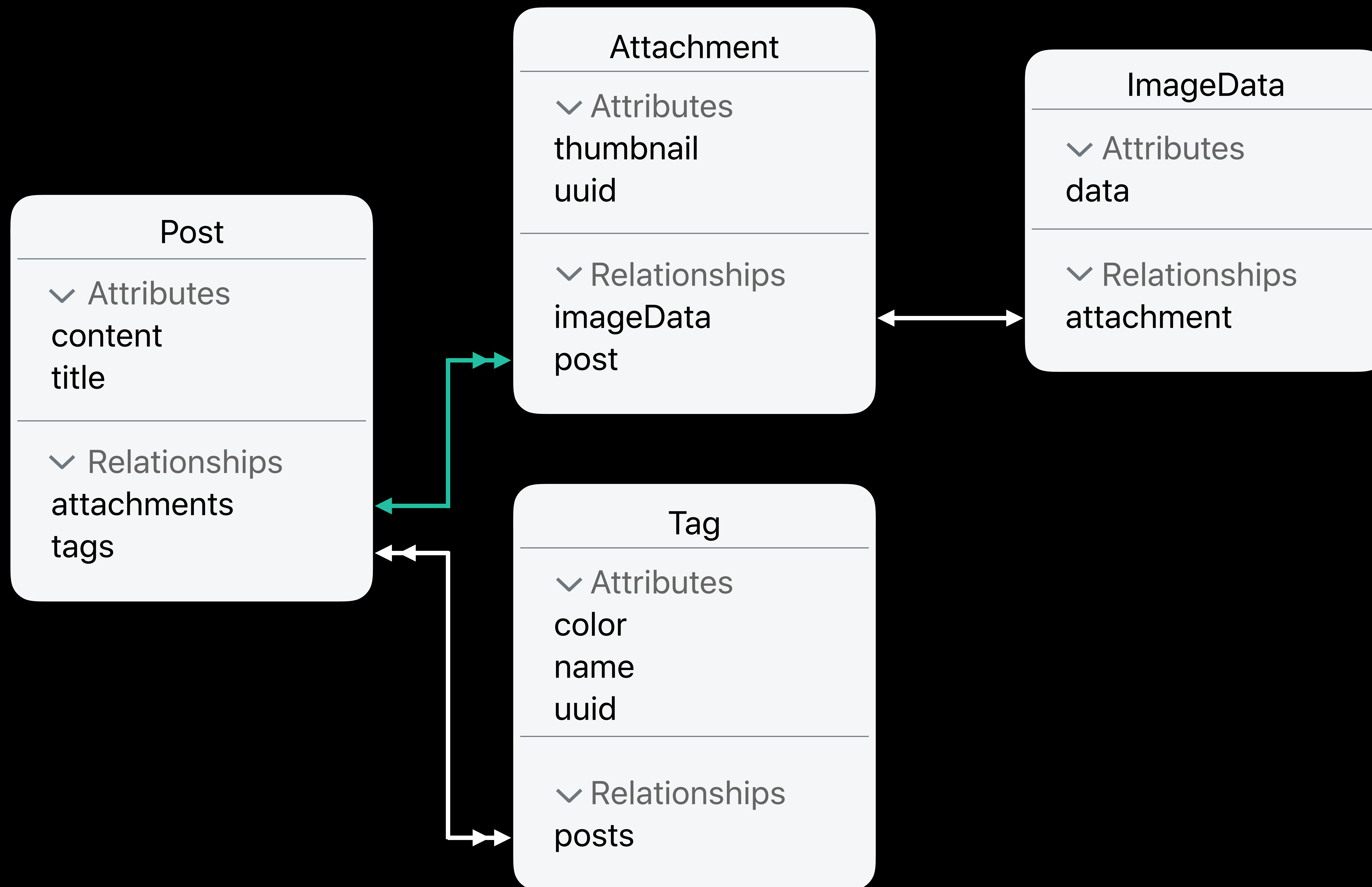


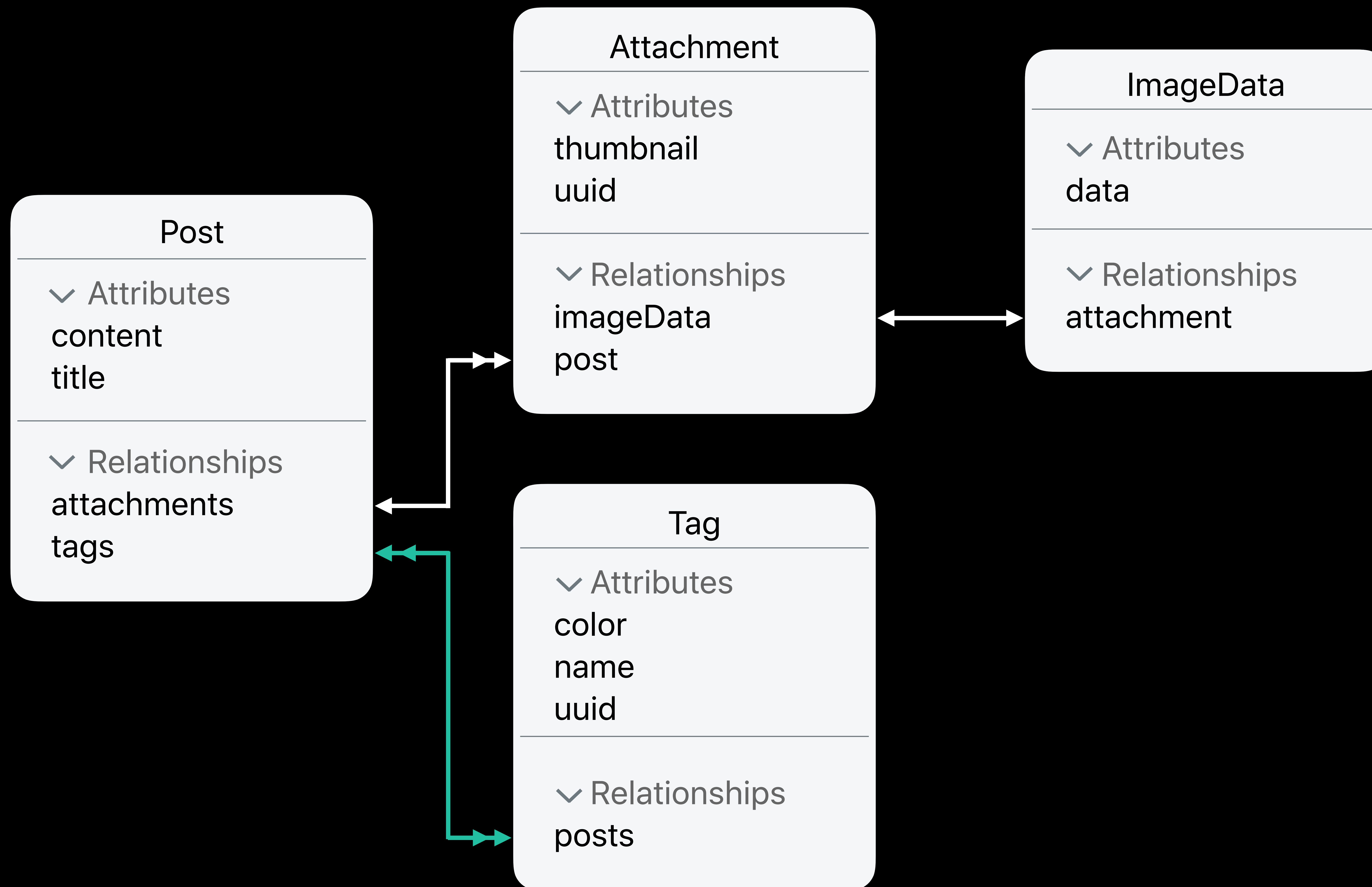
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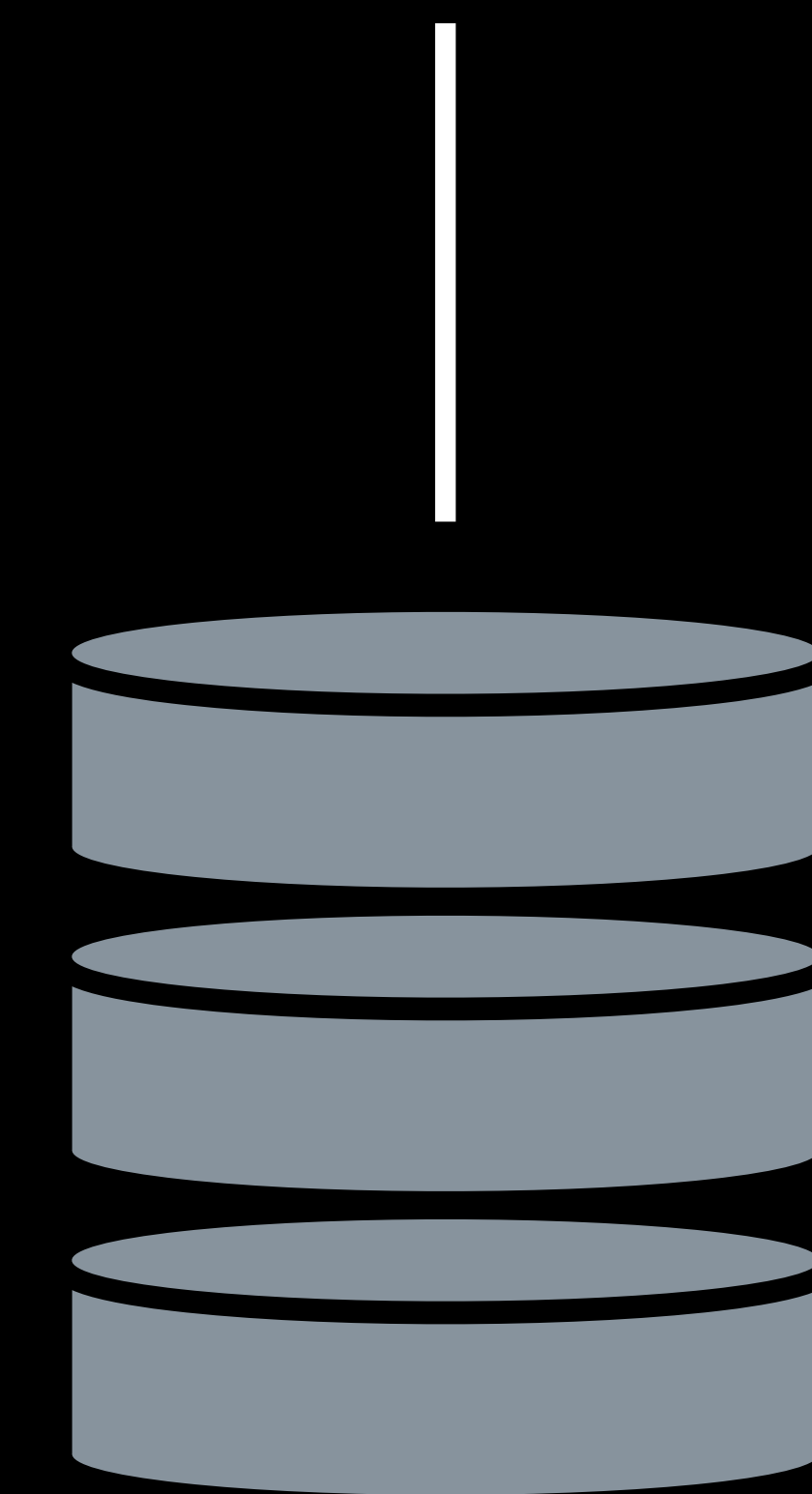
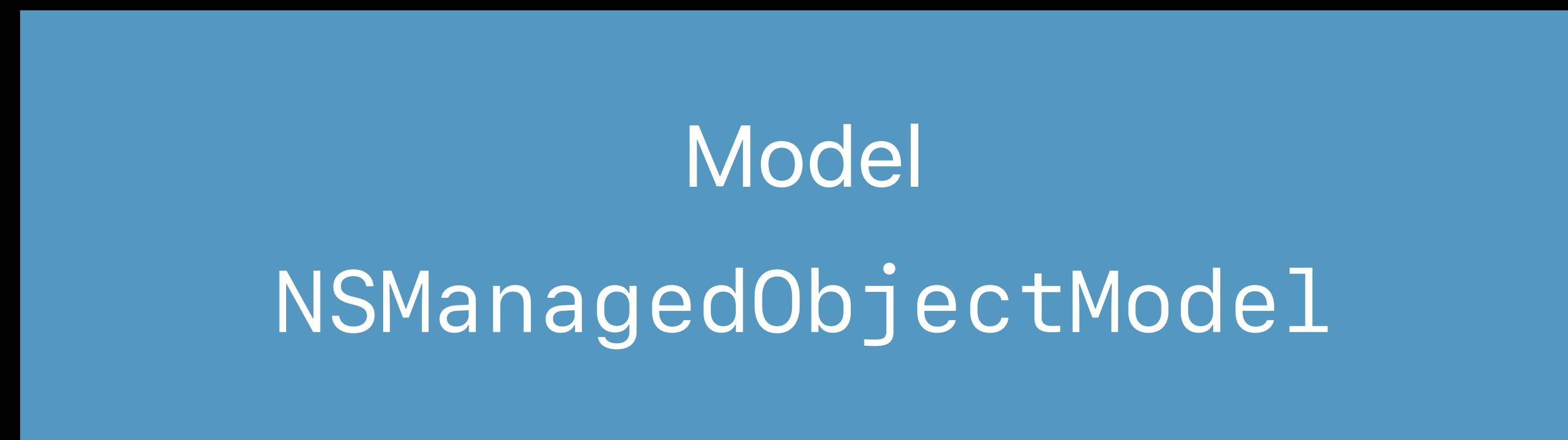
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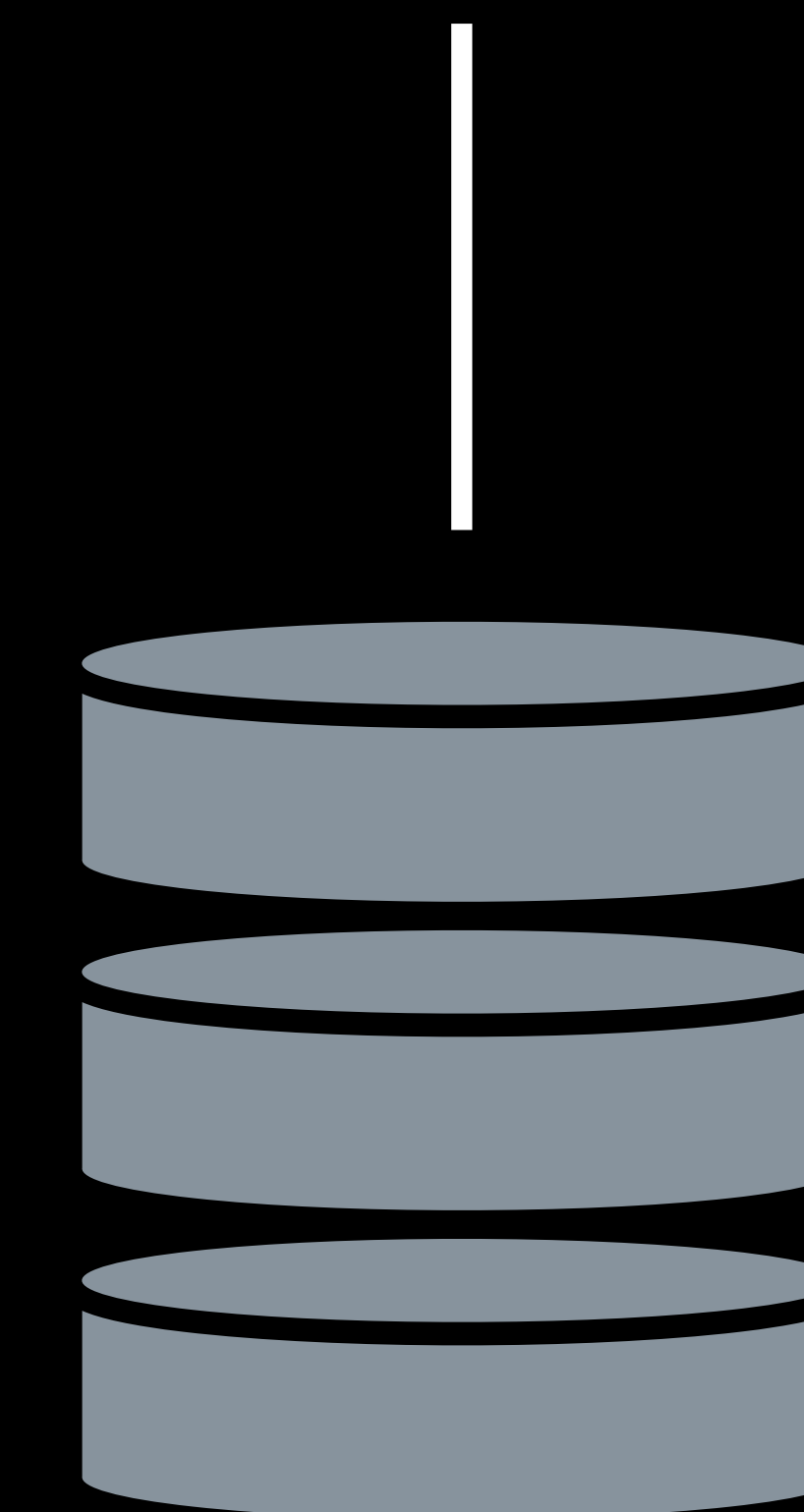
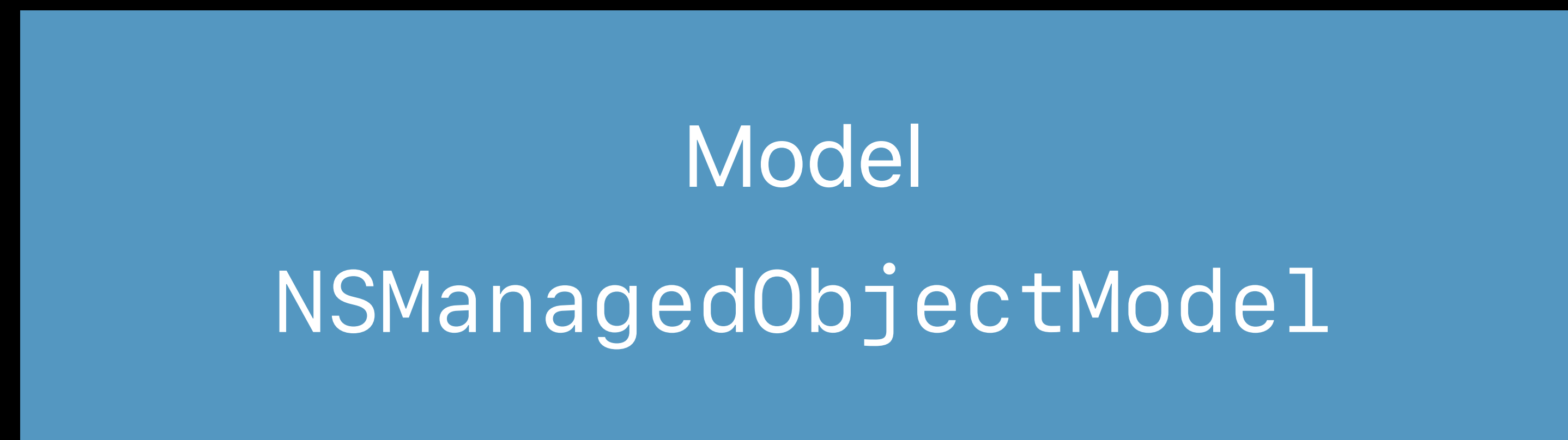
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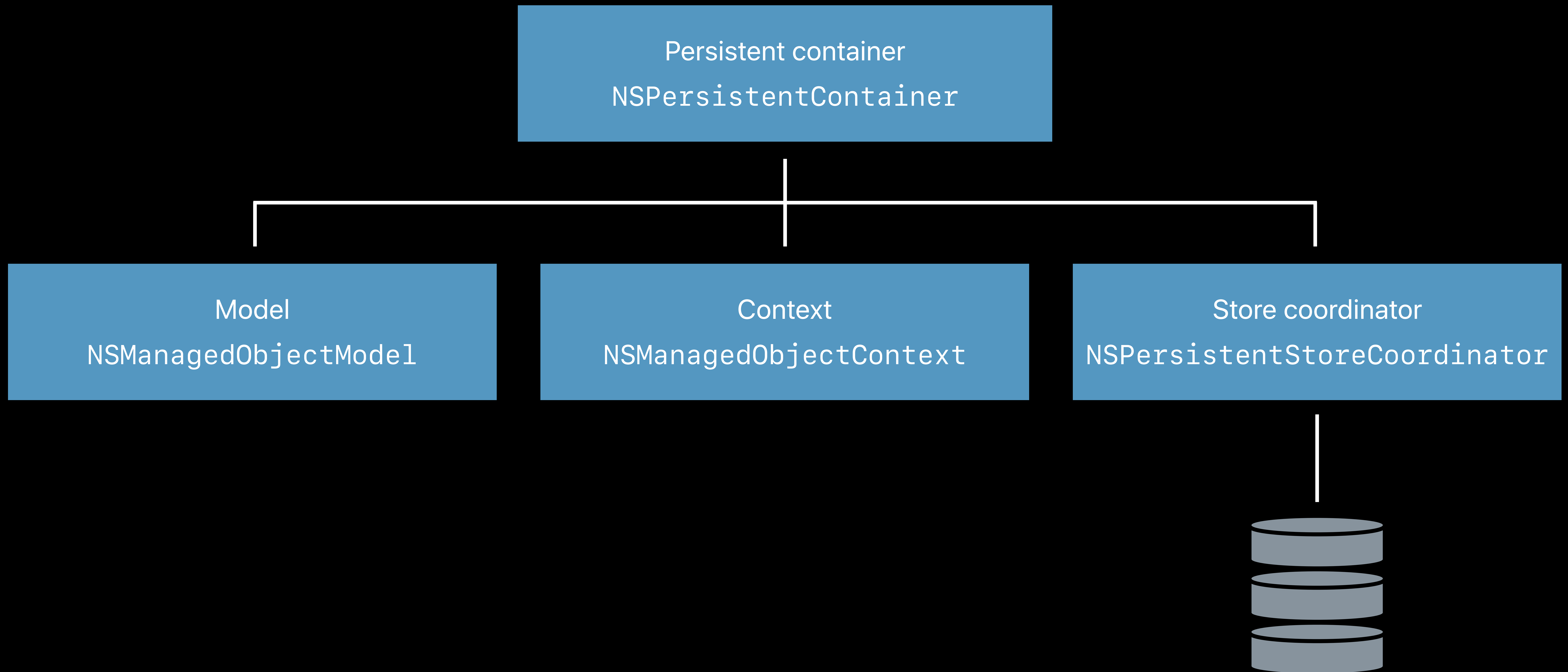
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context.automaticallyMergesChangesFromParent = true
```

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```
context.performAndWait {  
    /* ... */  
}
```

```
context.perform {  
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```

```
container.performBackgroundTask { context in  
    /* ... */  
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```

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```
context.perform {  
    let post = Post(context: context)  
    post.title = "Hello, world!"  
    try? context.save()  
}
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Apps need *more* data!

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    "title"   : "Hello, world!",  
  ],  
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    "content": "This post has no title!"  
  ],  
  [  
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let fetchRequest: NSFetchedResultsController<Post> = Post.fetchRequest()

fetchRequest.sortDescriptors = [NSSortDescriptor(key: "title", ascending: true)]
fetchRequest.fetchBatchSize = 50

let controller = NSFetchedResultsController(fetchRequest: fetchRequest,
                                             managedObjectContext: moc,
                                             sectionNameKeyPath: nil, cacheName: nil)

controller.delegate = self

try! controller.performFetch()
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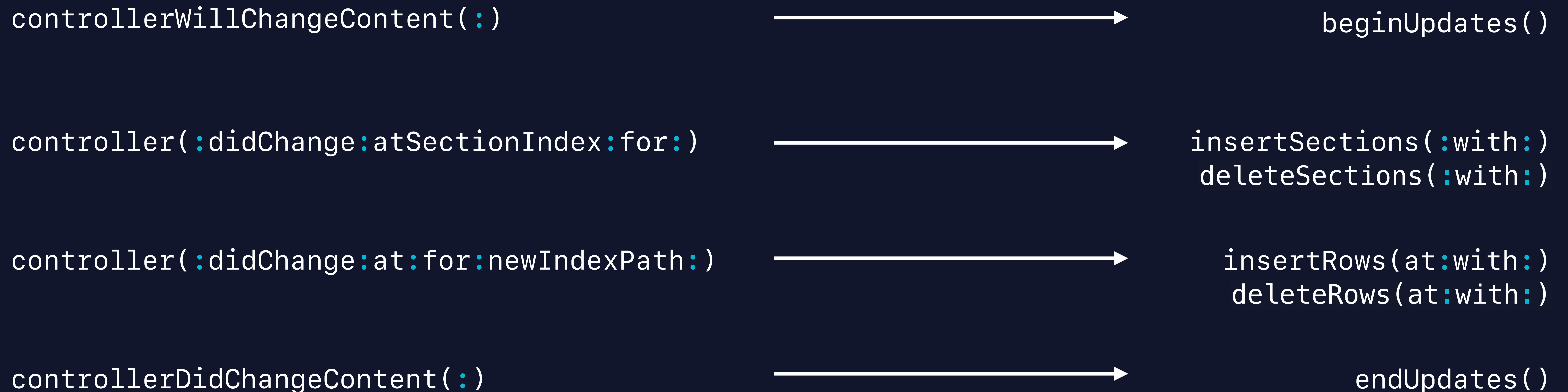
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controller(:didChange:atSectionIndex:for:)    insertSections(:with:)
                                              deleteSections(:with:)

controller(:didChange:at:for:newIndexPath:)  insertRows(at:with:)
                                              deleteRows(at:with:)

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func controller(
    _ controller: NSFetchedResultsController<NSFetchRequestResult>,
    didChangeContentWith snapshot: NSDiffableDataSourceSnapshotReference<NSManagedObjectID,
    NSString>
) {
    collectionViewDataSource.applySnapshot(snapshot as! NSDiffableDataSourceSnapshot)
}
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```
func controller(
    _ controller: NSFetchedResultsController<NSFetchRequestResult>,
    didChangeContentWith diff: CollectionDifference<NSManagedObjectID>
) {
    collectionView.performBatchUpdates({
        for change in diff {
            switch change {
            case .insert(offset: let newRow, element: _, associatedWith: let assoc):
                if let oldRow = assoc {
                    collectionView.moveItem(
                        at: IndexPath(row: oldRow, section: frcSection),
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Redundant data requires more work



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***Demo***



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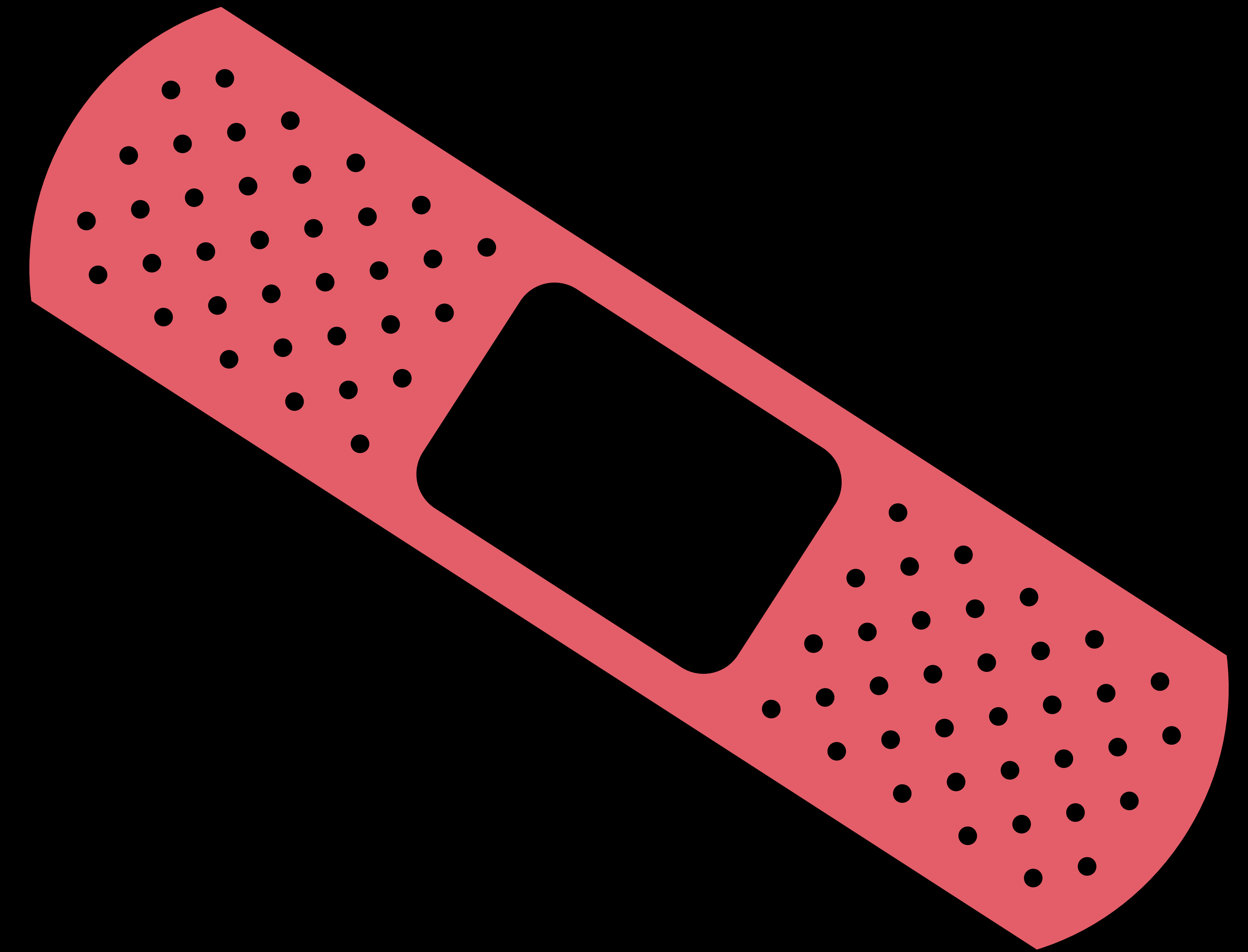
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```
let description: NSPersistentStoreDescription = /* ... */

description.setOption(
    true as NSNumber,
    forKey: NSPersistentStoreRemoteChangeNotificationPostOptionKey)

description.setOption(true as NSNumber, forKey: NSPersistentHistoryTrackingKey)
```

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```
func storeRemoteChange(_ notification: Notification) {  
  
    precondition(notification.name == NSNotification.Name.NSPersistentStoreRemoteChange)  
  
    let storeURL = notification.userInfo?[NSPersistentStoreURLKey]!  
    let token = notification.userInfo?[NSPersistentHistoryTokenKey]!  
  
    print("Store at \(storeURL) was changed in transaction \(token).")  
  
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```
extension NSPersistentStoreCoordinator {  
  
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        from stores: [NSPersistentStore]?  
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