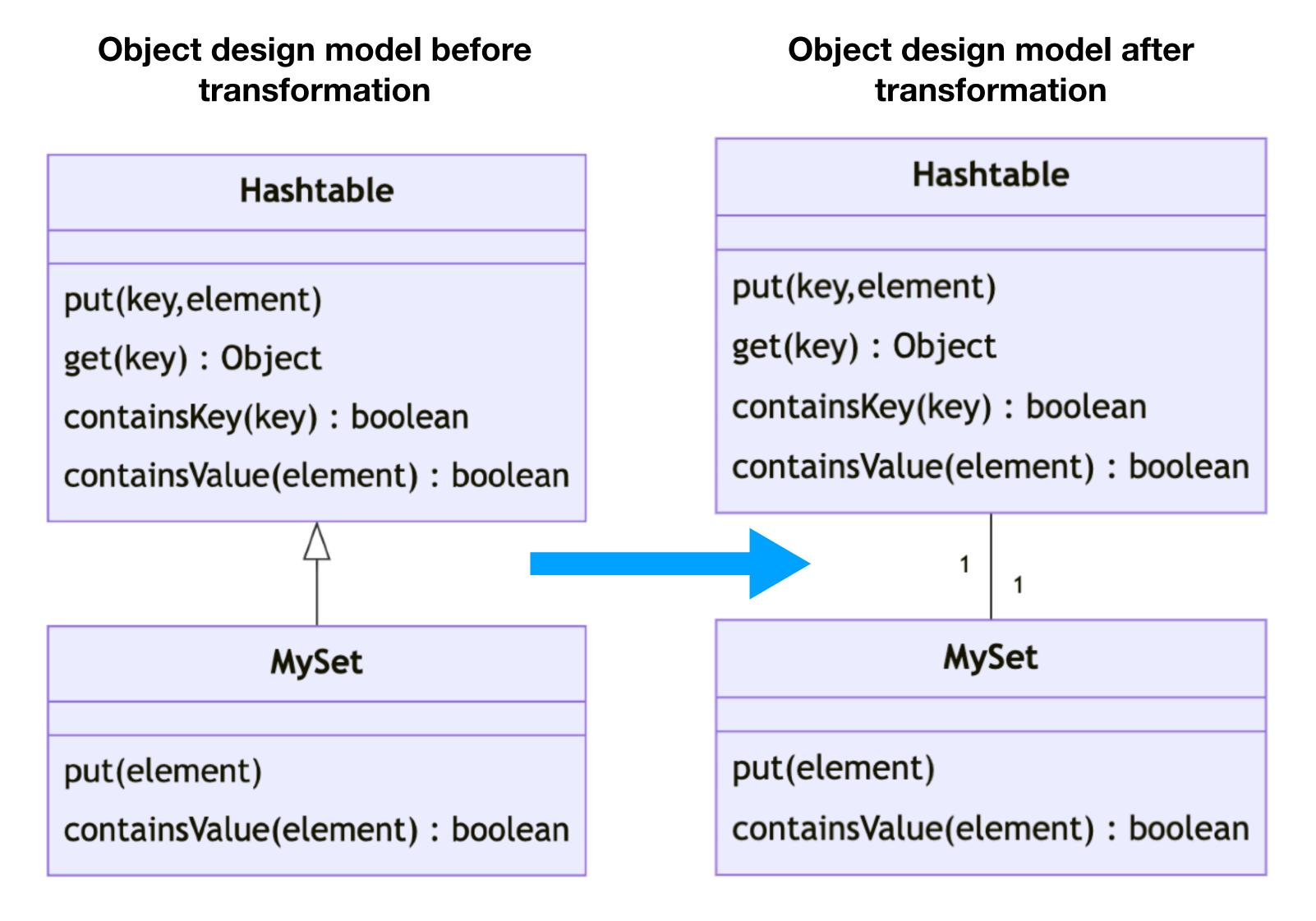
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```
1 /* Implementation of MySet using inheritance */
 2 class MySet extends Hashtable {
      /* Constructor omitted */
      MySet() {
      void put(Object element) {
         if (!containsKey(element)) {
             put(element, this);
10
      boolean containsValue (Object element){
          return containsKey(element);
      /* Other methods omitted */
15 }
```

```
1 /* Implementation of MySet using delegation */
 2 class MySet {
      private Hashtable table;
      MySet() {
          table = Hashtable();
      void put(Object element) {
          if (!containsValue(element)){
             table.put(element, this);
10
       boolean containsValue(Object element) {
          return (table.containsKey(element));
13
14
      /* Other methods omitted */
16 }
```

Figure 8-3 An example of implementation inheritance. The left column depicts a questionable implementation of MySet using implementation inheritance. The right column depicts an improved implementation using delegation (UML class diagram and Java).

