

# Deep CMake For Library Authors

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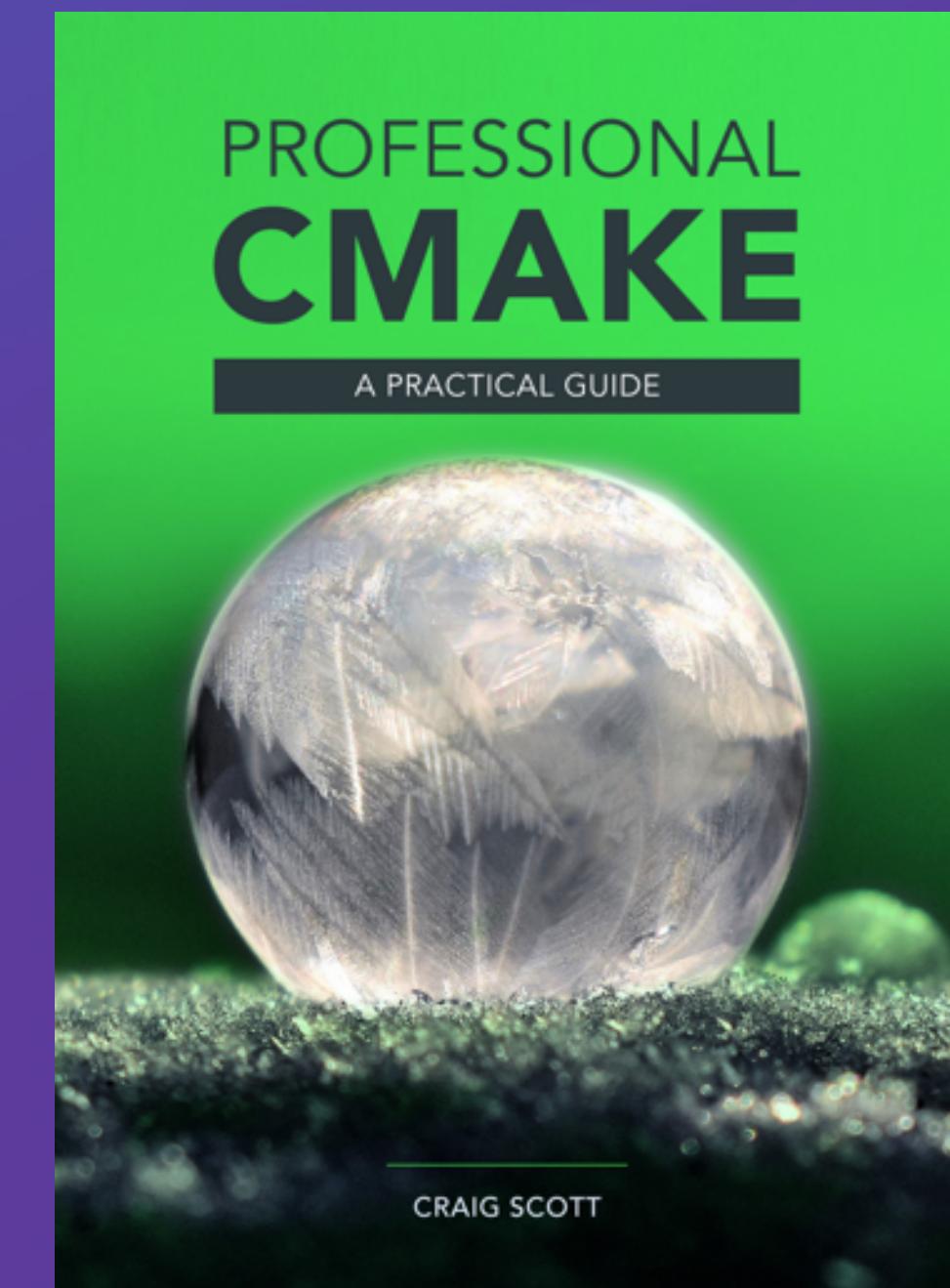
- Cross-platform C++ developer since 2001
- CMake co-maintainer (volunteer)
- Author of *Professional CMake: A Practical Guide*
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# Focus of Talk



Libraries (mostly shared)



Cross-platform considerations



Highlight CMake features

# Key Questions For Library Authors



## API Control

What does the library provide?



## Library Consumers

How might the library be used?



## API Compatibility

How does the library evolve?



## Package Maintainers

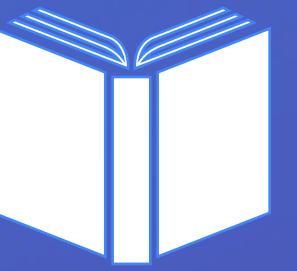
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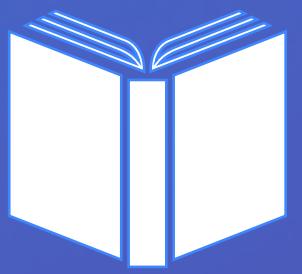
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GCC and Clang do NOT hide symbols by default

# Visual Studio Visibility Control

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};
```

Building

```
class __declspec(dllimport) MyGenerator  
{  
public:  
    int nextvalue();  
};
```

Using

# Visual Studio Visibility Control

```
class __declspec(dllexport) MyGenerator
{
public:
    int nextvalue();
};
```

# Visual Studio Visibility Control

```
class MYTGT_EXPORT MyGenerator
{
public:
    int nextvalue();
};
```

# Visual Studio Visibility Control

```
#include "mytgt_export.h"

class MYTGT_EXPORT MyGenerator
{
public:
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};
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Header defines  
MYTGT\_EXPORT

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Header defines  
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```
#ifndef MYTGT_EXPORT  
# ifdef MyTgt_EXPORTS  
#     define MYTGT_EXPORT __declspec(dllexport)  
# else  
#     define MYTGT_EXPORT __declspec(dllimport)  
# endif  
#endif
```

# Visual Studio Visibility Control

```
#include "mytgt_export.h"  
  
class MYTGT_EXPORT MyGenerator  
{  
public:  
    int nextvalue();  
};
```

Only define  
MyTgt\_EXPORTS  
when building the  
library

```
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#     define MYTGT_EXPORT __declspec(dllexport)  
# else  
#     define MYTGT_EXPORT __declspec(dllimport)  
# endif  
#endif
```

# GCC/Clang Visibility Control

- Change default visibility to hidden  
**-fvisibility=hidden**
- Change visibility of inlined code (including templates)  
**-fvisibility-inlines-hidden**

# GCC/Clang Visibility Control

```
class __attribute__((visibility("default"))) MyGenerator
{
public:
    int nextvalue();
};
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#ifndef MYTGT_EXPORT  
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#endif
```

# CMake Visibility Control

```
set(CMAKE_CXX_VISIBILITY_PRESET      hidden)
set(CMAKE_VISIBILITY_INLINES_HIDDEN YES)

add_library(MyTgt ...)

include(GenerateExportHeader)
generate_export_header(MyTgt)
```

# CMake Visibility Control

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Set default visibility  
to hidden for all  
targets

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```

Generates a suitable  
`mytgt_export.h`

Ensures `MYTGT_EXPORT`  
is defined

Adds `MyTgt_EXPORTS`  
definition to `MyTgt`

# Export Examples

```
#include "mytgt_export.h"

class MYTGT_EXPORT MyGenerator
{
public:
    int nextvalue();
};

MYTGT_EXPORT double computeSomething();

MYTGT_EXPORT extern int naughtyGlobal;
```

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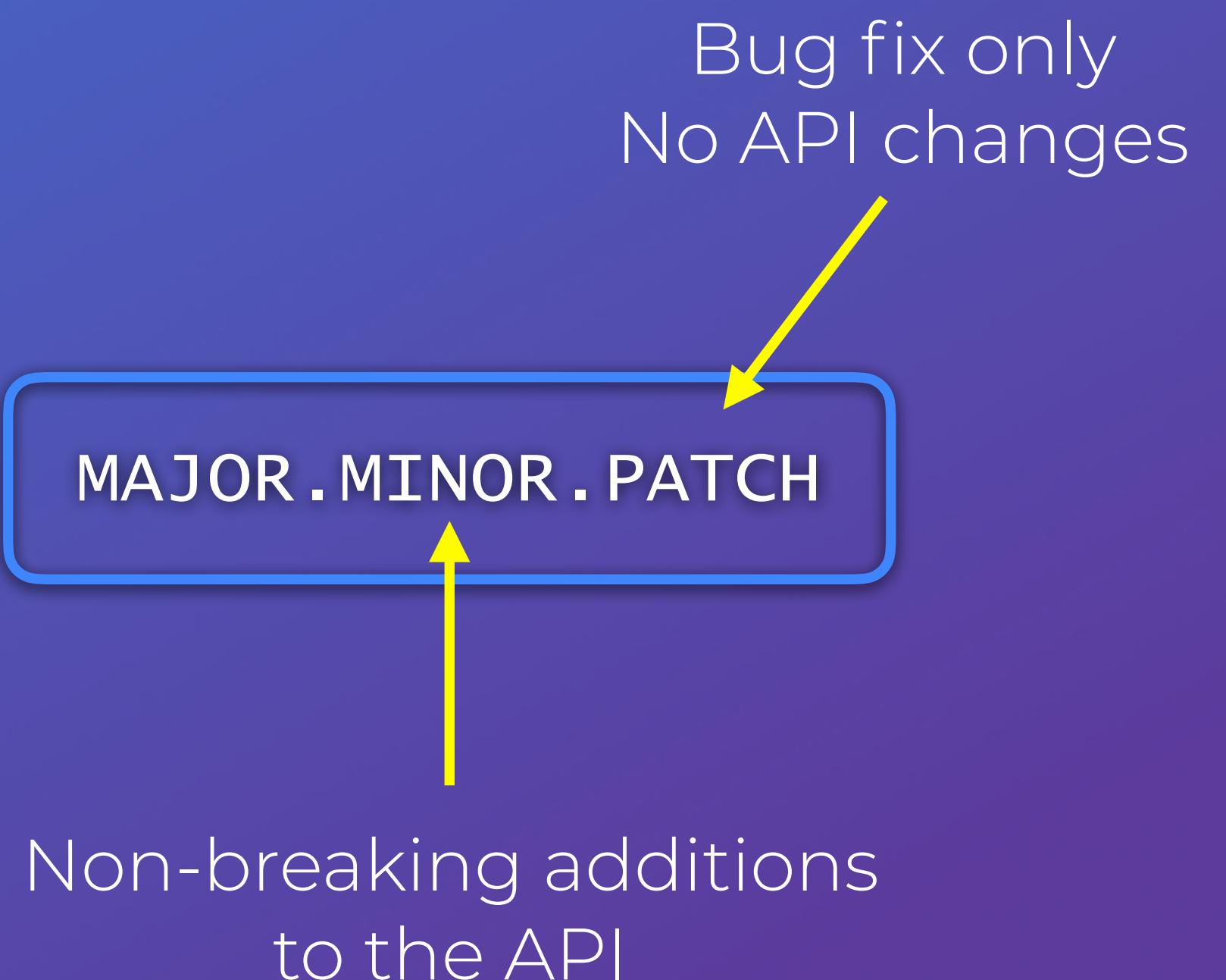


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Breaking change

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Non-breaking additions to the API

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# Shared Library Symlinks

Common convention used on Unix  
and Unix-like operating systems

Ordering of suffix and version  
number may vary, but principle is  
the same

```
libExample.so    -> libExample.so.2.4.7
libExample.so.2 -> libExample.so.2.4.7
libExample.so.2.4.7
```

# Shared Library Symlinks

REAL LIBRARY

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Run-time loader  
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SONAME  
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```

Check with commands like `ldd` or `otool -L`

# Shared Library Symlinks

Run-time loader	NAME LINK	
Humans, packages	SONAME	
	REAL LIBRARY	

**libExample.so** → libExample.so.2.4.7  
libExample.so.2 → libExample.so.2.4.7  
libExample.so.2.4.7

# Shared Library Symlinks

Build-time linker

NAME LINK

**libExample.so**

-> libExample.so.2.4.7

Run-time loader

SONAME

libExample.so.2

-> libExample.so.2.4.7

Humans, packages

REAL LIBRARY

libExample.so.2.4.7

Specified on linker command line as -lExample

# Shared Library Symlinks

Build-time linker	NAME LINK	<code>libExample.so</code> → <code>libExample.so.2.4.7</code>
Run-time loader	SONAME	<code>libExample.so.2</code> → <code>libExample.so.2.4.7</code>
Humans, packages	REAL LIBRARY	<code>libExample.so.2.4.7</code>

**SONAME** is most critical from a compatibility perspective

# Library Versioning In CMake

```
add_library(Example ...)

set_target_properties(
    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 2
        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

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libExample.so → libExample.so.2.4.7  
libExample.so.2 → libExample.so.2.4.7  
libExample.so.2.4.7

Always created

# Library Versioning In CMake

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        SOVERSION 2
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)
```

Missing SONAME



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If **SOVERSION** is missing, it  
defaults to same as **VERSION**

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        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

libExample.so -> libExample.so.2.4.7  
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**libExample.so.2.4.7**

SONAME

If **SOVERSION** is missing, it  
defaults to same as **VERSION**

→ **PROBABLY  
WRONG!**

# Library Versioning In CMake

```
add_library(Example ...)

set_target_properties(
    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 9
        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

Independent SONAME



# Library Versioning In CMake

```
add_library(Example ...)

set_target_properties(
    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 9
        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

```
libExample.so      -> libExample.so.2.4.7
libExample.so.9   -> libExample.so.2.4.7
libExample.so.2.4.7
```

Is this valid?

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    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 9
        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

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libExample.so.2.4.7
```

Is this valid?



# Library Versioning In CMake

```
add_library(Example ...)

set_target_properties(
    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 2
        VERSION    2.4.7
)
```

Windows?

# Library Versioning In CMake

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    Example PROPERTIES
        SOVERSION 2
        VERSION     2.4.7
)
```

Example.dll

Example.lib



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        VERSION    2.4.7
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Example.dll

Example.lib

Acts like SONAME

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Example.lib

Acts like NAME LINK

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Example.dll

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Some version details may be encoded into  
the binaries, but not into the file names

# Package Versioning

```
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- SomeProjConfig.cmake
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- someproj-config.cmake
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```

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- SomeProjConfigVersion.cmake

```
include(CMakePackageConfigHelpers)  
  
write_basic_package_version_file(  
    SomeProjConfigVersion.cmake  
    VERSION 2.4.7  
    COMPATIBILITY SameMajorVersion  
)
```

# How Might A Library Be Packaged?

- By you in your own dedicated package
- As part of some other package (i.e. an embedded dependency)
- By a distribution maintainer
- By a packaging system not part of the OS

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```
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include(GNUInstallDirs)
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)
```

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Windows DLLs

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```

Non-Windows shared libraries  
(including symlinks)

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Static libraries (all platforms)  
Windows import libraries

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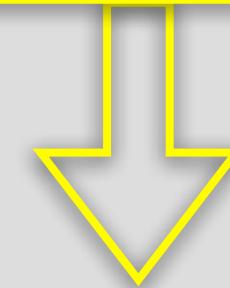
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/usr/lib  
/usr/lib64  
/usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu  
...

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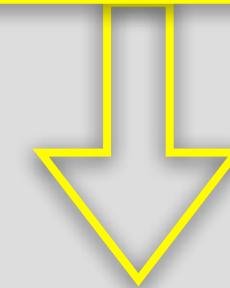


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                  COMPONENT Runtime
        LIBRARY DESTINATION ${CMAKE_INSTALL_LIBDIR}
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                  COMPONENT Development
    )
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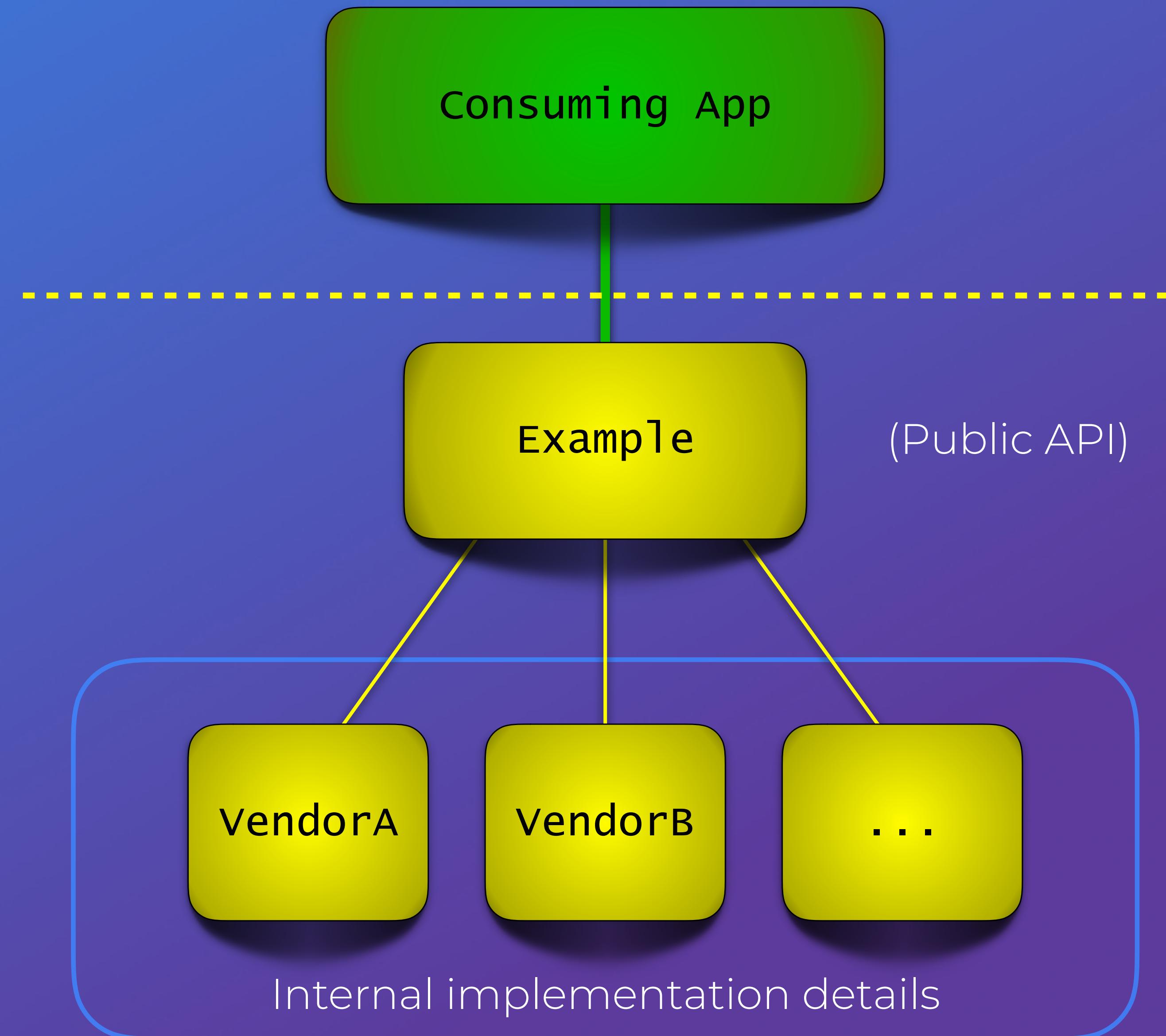
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./myapp: error while loading shared libraries: libvendorA.so.3: cannot open shared object file:  
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**RPATH** is supported on all major platforms  
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CMake replaces the **RPATH** information it recorded for the build tree with a different set which is *empty by default*.

Libraries lose their **RPATH** connection to their dependencies unless you specify them.

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Because CMake again provides **RPATHs** for  
the build, dependency libraries in the same  
directory as libraries linked to the app will  
also be found at link time

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`ld.so` man page:

... [DT\_RUNPATH] are searched only to find those objects required by DT\_NEEDED (direct dependencies) entries and do not apply to those objects' children, which must themselves have their own DT\_RUNPATH entries. This is unlike DT\_RPATH, which is applied to searches for all children in the dependency tree.

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Apple has a similar feature, but uses different keywords (e.g. **@loader\_path**)

- Checks environment variables first
- Recursive searching like DT\_RPATH

# Questions?

- You can also catch me at tonight's **Tool Time Labs** for one-on-one discussions of your specific issues
- Consulting services available

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# Bonus Material

# Ensure Dependencies Are Found

```
find_package(SomeProj 2.3)
```

- SomeProjConfig.cmake
- SomeProjConfigVersion.cmake

```
find_dependency(...)
```

```
# See “Exporting Targets” slide (2 after this one)
include(${CMAKE_CURRENT_LIST_DIR}/SomeProj-Targets.cmake)
```

# Config File Location

```
include(GNUInstallDirs)
set(SomeProj_INSTALL_CMAKEDIR
    ${CMAKE_INSTALL_LIBDIR}/cmake/SomeProj
    CACHE STRING "Path to SomeProj cmake files"
)

install(FILES
    SomeProjConfig.cmake
    ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/SomeProjConfigVersion.cmake
    DESTINATION ${SomeProj_INSTALL_CMAKEDIR}
)
```

# Exporting Targets

```
install(TARGETS Example
        EXPORT SomeProj_Tests
        INCLUDES DESTINATION ${CMAKE_INSTALL_INCLUDEDIR}
        ...
        # Other lines as discussed in the main part of the talk
)
install(EXPORT SomeProj_Tests
        DESTINATION ${SomeProj_INSTALL_CMAKEDIR}           # See previous slide
        NAMESPACE   SomeProj::                           # See next slide
        FILE        SomeProj-Targets.cmake
        COMPONENT   SomeProj_Development
)
```

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# Alias Library Matching Exported Target

```
add_library(SomeProj_Example ...)

# Exported target has SomeProj:: namespace prepended (see previous
# slide), so we drop the project-specific prefix from the exported name
set_target_properties(SomeProj_Example PROPERTIES
    EXPORT_NAME Example
)

# Create alias to match exported name of target, consuming projects can
# use that name whether they use find_package() or add_subdirectory()
add_library(SomeProj::Example ALIAS SomeProj_Example)
```

# Useful References

## Symbol visibility

- <https://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/Visibility>
- <http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2016/p0276r0.html>
- <http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2018/p1283r0.html>

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## RPATH

- [https://gms.tf/ld\\_library\\_path-considered-harmful.html](https://gms.tf/ld_library_path-considered-harmful.html)
- <https://developercommunity.visualstudio.com/idea/566616/support-rpath-for-binaries-during-development.html>

Everything you ever wanted to know about shared libraries (and also things you didn't)

- <https://akkadia.org/drepper/dsohowto.pdf>