

Kotlin Symbol Processing in Action

Kotlin Symbol Processor



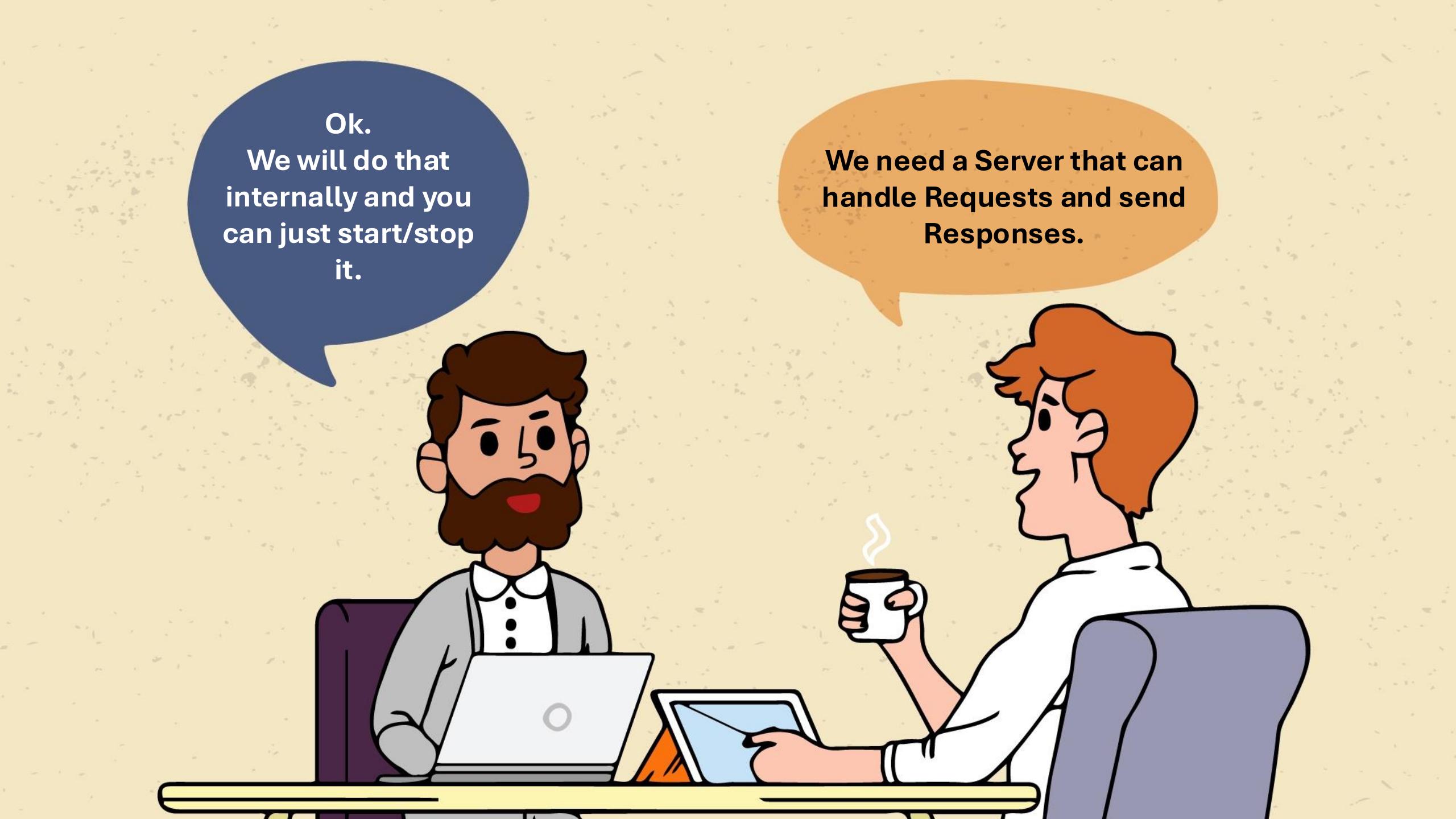
```
class MyProcessor : SymbolProcessor {
    override fun process(resolver: Resolver): List<KSAnnotated> {
        val files = resolver.getAllFiles()
        files.forEach { file ->
            // myVisitor will analyse every component on File-level
            val myVisitor = KSVisitorVoid()
            file.accept(myVisitor, Unit)
        }
        return files.toList()
    }
}
```

KSVistor Complete

```
interface KSVistor<D, R> {  
    fun visitNode(node: KSNode, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitAnnotated(annotated: KSAnnotated, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitAnnotation(annotation: KSAnnotation, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitModifierListOwner(modifierListOwner: KSMODifierListOwner, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitDeclaration(declaration: KSDeclaration, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitDeclarationContainer(declarationContainer: KSDeclarationContainer, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitDynamicReference(reference: KSDynamicReference, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitFile(file: KSFile, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitFunctionDeclaration(function: KSFunctionDeclaration, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitCallableReference(reference: KSCallableReference, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitParenthesizedReference(reference: KSParenthesizedReference, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitPropertyDeclaration(property: KSPropertyDeclaration, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitPropertyAccessor(accessor: KSPropertyAccessor, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitPropertyGetter(getter: KSPropertyGetter, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitPropertySetter(setter: KSPropertySetter, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitReferenceElement(element: KSReferenceElement, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitTypeAlias(typeAlias: KSTypeAlias, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitTypeArgument(typeArgument: KSTypeArgument, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitClassDeclaration(classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitTypeParameter(typeParameter: KSTypeParameter, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitTypeReference(typeReference: KSTypeReference, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitValueParameter(valueParameter: KSValueParameter, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitValueArgument(valueArgument: KSValueArgument, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitClassifierReference(reference: KSClassifierReference, data: D): R  
}
```

KSVistor Focused

```
/**  
 * A visitor for program elements  
 */  
interface KSVistor<D, R> {  
    fun visitFile(  
        file: KSFile,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitFunctionDeclaration(  
        function: KSFunctionDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitPropertyDeclaration(  
        property: KSPropertyDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitTypeAlias(  
        typeAlias: KSTypeAlias,  
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    ): R  
  
    fun visitClassDeclaration(  
        classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
}
```

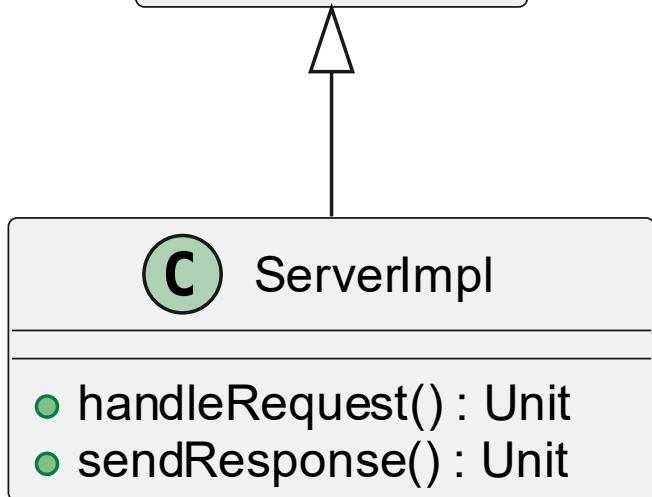
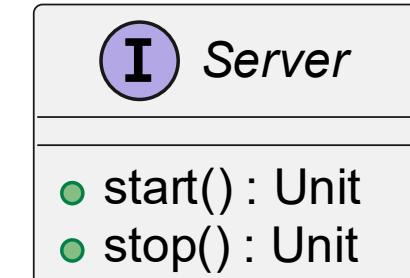


Ok.
We will do that
internally and you
can just start/stop
it.

We need a Server that can
handle Requests and send
Responses.



```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
}  
  
internal class ServerImpl : Server {  
    override fun start(): Unit{}  
    override fun stop(): Unit{}  
    fun handleRequest(): Unit{}  
    fun sendResponse(): Unit{}  
}
```



These properties can be used to analyse the class

```
interface KSClassDeclaration : KSDeclaration, KSDeclarationContainer {  
  
    val classKind: ClassKind  
  
    val primaryConstructor: KSFunctionDeclaration?  
  
    val superTypes: Sequence<KSTypeReference>  
  
    val isCompanionObject: Boolean  
  
    fun getSealedSubclasses(): Sequence<KSClassDeclaration>  
  
    fun getAllFunctions(): Sequence<KSFunctionDeclaration>  
  
    fun getAllProperties(): Sequence<KSPropertyDeclaration>  
  
    fun asType(typeArguments: List<KSTypeArgument>): KSType  
  
    fun asStarProjectedType(): KSType  
}
```

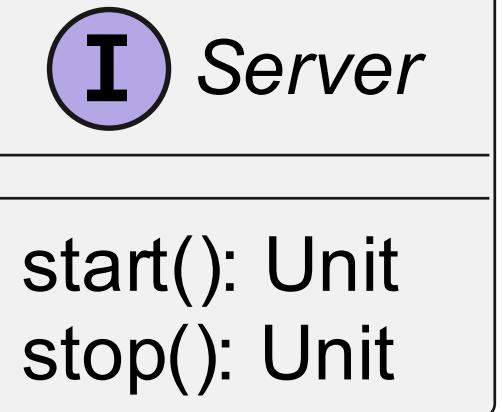


Ok.

Can you add
Configuration
please

Generated Documentation

```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
  
    interface Config {  
        val ipAddress: String  
        val port: Int  
    }  
}
```





```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
  
    interface Config {  
        val ipAddress: String  
        val port: Int  
    }  
}
```

Expected Generated Documentation

I Server

start(): Unit
stop(): Unit

I Server.Config

ipAddress: String
port: Int

Why is the inner class missing ?

```
●●●  
interface KSVistor<D, R> {  
    fun visitFile(file: KSFile, data: D): R  
  
    fun visitFunctionDeclaration(  
        function: KSFunctionDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitPropertyDeclaration(  
        property: KSPropertyDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitTypeAlias(  
        typeAlias: KSTypeAlias,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
  
    fun visitClassDeclaration(  
        classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration,  
        data: D  
    ): R  
}
```

- The Visitor is applied to the given File
- and its nodes
- The inner class Config was not visited
- If a node has further nodes that should be visited, the visitor must be passed within the node

```
1 // File Level (KSVISITOR.visitFile)
2 public interface Server {
3     // Class Level (KSVISITOR.visitClassDeclaration)
4
5     // Class Level (KSVISITOR.visitFunctionDeclaration)
6     fun start(): Unit
7     fun stop(): Unit
8
9     // Class Level (KSVISITOR.visitDeclaration)
10    // ! There is no KSVISITOR.visitInnerClassDeclaration
11    interface Config {
12        val ipAddress: String
13        val port: Int
14    }
15 }
16
```

But to access the inner classes, *declarations* must be used

```
/**  
 * A declaration container can have a list  
 * of declarations declared in it.  
 */  
interface KSDeclarationContainer : KSNode {  
    /**  
     * Declarations that are lexically  
     * declared inside the current container.  
     */  
    val declarations: Sequence<KSDeclaration>  
}
```

```
class MyKSVistor() : KSVistorVoid() {

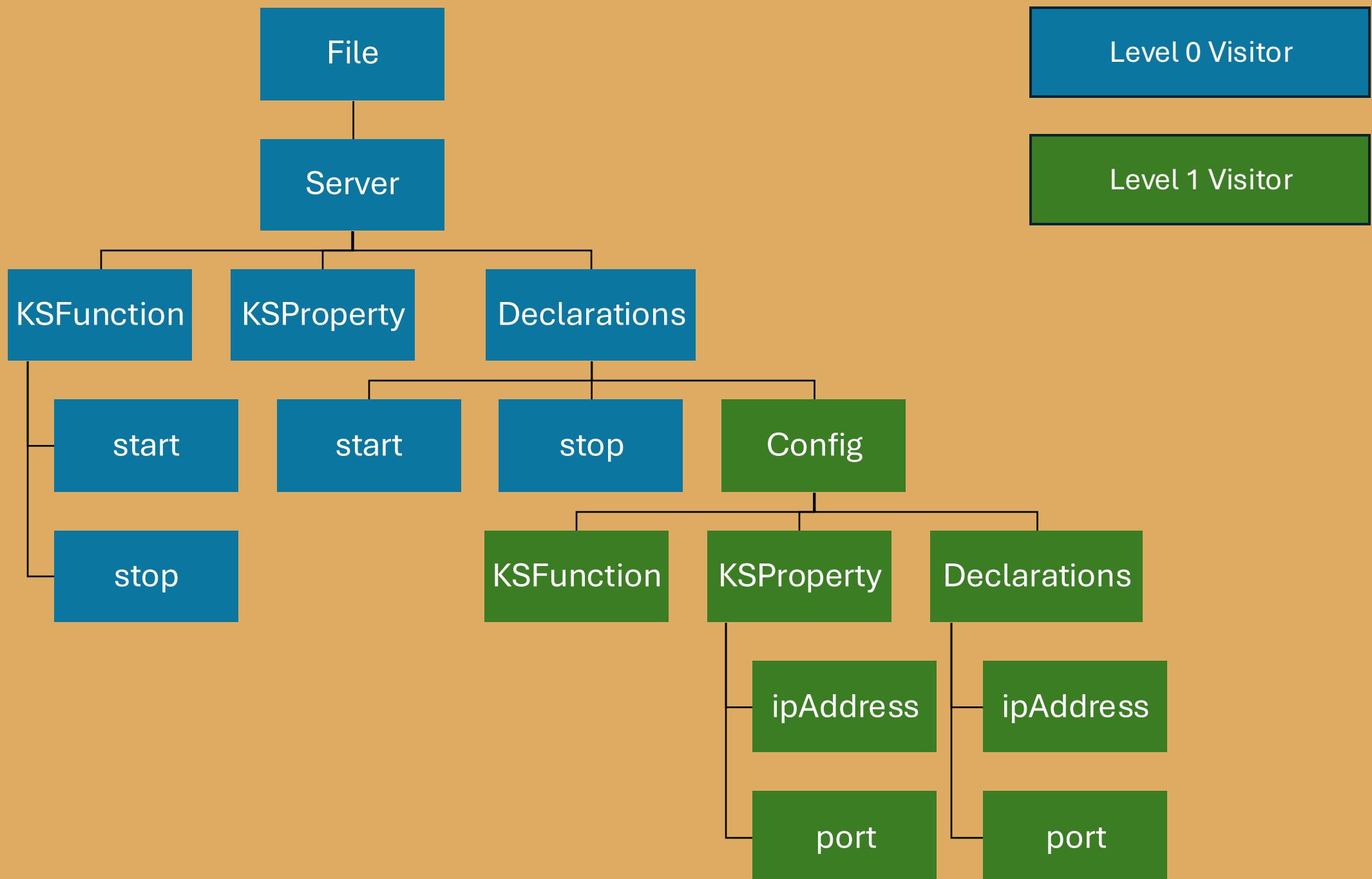
    override fun visitFile(
        file: KSFile,
        data: Unit
    ) {
        file.declarations.forEach { declaration ->
            declaration.accept(this, Unit)
        }
    }

    override fun visitClassDeclaration(
        classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration,
        data: Unit
    ) {
        classDeclaration.getDeclaredFunctions().forEach { function ->
            analyseFunction(function)
        }
        classDeclaration.getDeclaredProperties().forEach { property ->
            analyseProperty(property)
        }

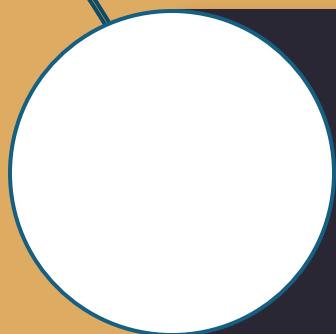
        // This is what I missed first
        classDeclaration.declarations
            .filterNot { it in classDeclaration.getDeclaredProperties() }
            .filterNot { it in classDeclaration.getDeclaredFunctions() }
            .filterIsInstance<KSClassDeclaration>()
            .forEach { declaration ->
                declaration.accept(this, Unit)
            }
    }

    private fun analyseFunction(function: KSFunctionDeclaration) {}
    private fun analyseProperty(function: KSPropertyDeclaration) {}
}
```

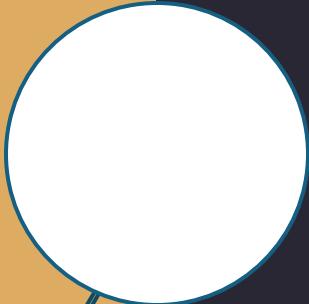
```
override fun visitClassDeclaration(  
    classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration,  
    data: Unit  
) {  
    classDeclaration.getDeclaredFunctions().forEach { function ->  
        analyseFunction(function)  
    }  
    classDeclaration.getDeclaredProperties().forEach { property ->  
        analyseProperty(property)  
    }  
  
    // This is what I missed first  
    classDeclaration.declarations  
        .filterNot { it in classDeclaration.getDeclaredProperties() }  
        .filterNot { it in classDeclaration.getDeclaredFunctions() }  
        .filterIsInstance<KSClassDeclaration>()  
        .forEach { declaration ->  
            declaration.accept(this, Unit)  
        }  
}  
  
private fun analyseFunction(function: KSFunctionDeclaration) {}  
private fun analyseProperty(property: KSPROPERTY) {}
```



Advice 1

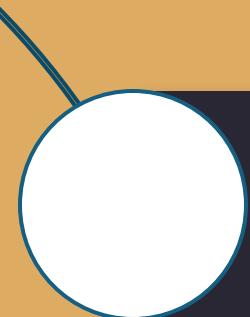


KSVistor just visits the next level.

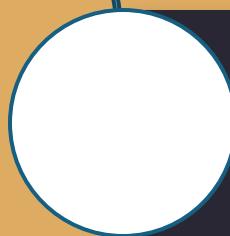


Pass it through to catch all levels

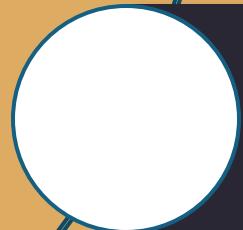
Advice 2



Understand the KSClassContainer component

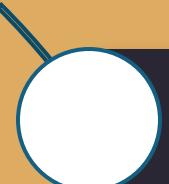


Inner Classes, Interfaces, companion objects can be retrieved by the declarations property



declarations contains every KSDeclaration, not only the ones for inner classes etc.

Advice 3



Understand the KSClassDeclaration component



It provides superTypes (parents)



It provides allFunctions



It provides allProperties



It provides its classKind

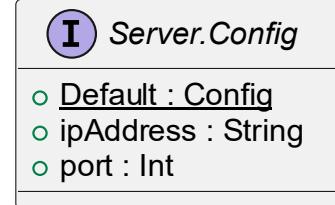
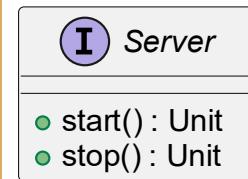


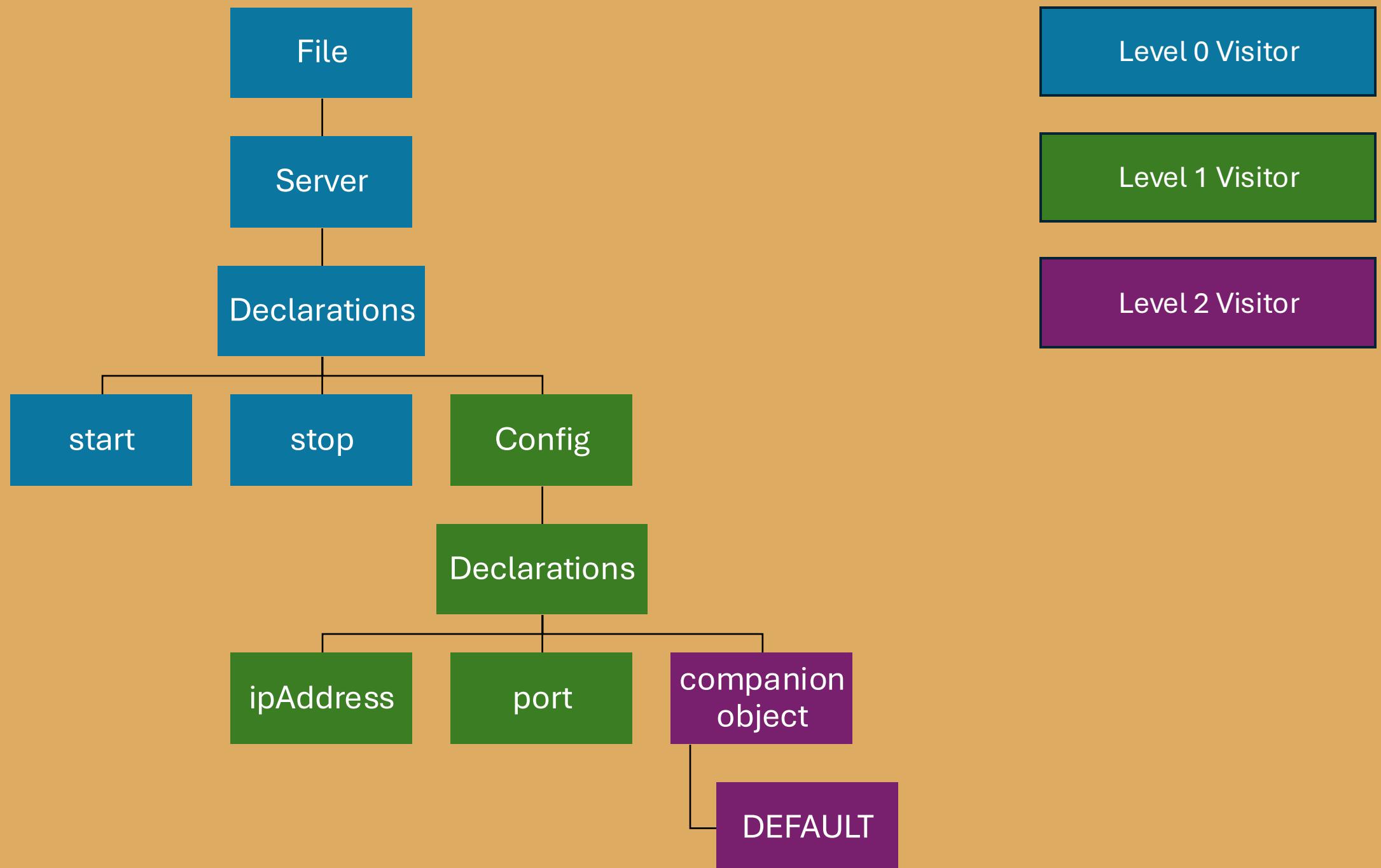
**Almost, I will
add Default
config**

Done ?



```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
  
    interface Config {  
        val ipAddress: String  
        val port: Int  
  
        companion object {  
            val Default: Config = object : Config {  
                override val ipAddress: String = "127.0.0.1"  
                override val port: Int = 8080  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```





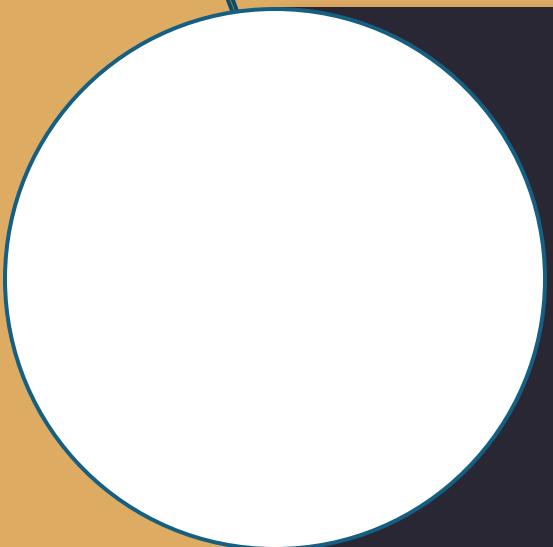


```
interface KSClassDeclaration : KSDeclaration, KSDeclarationContainer {  
  
    val classKind: ClassKind  
  
    val primaryConstructor: KSFunctionDeclaration?  
  
    val superTypes: Sequence<KSTypeReference>  
  
    val isCompanionObject: Boolean  
  
    fun getSealedSubclasses(): Sequence<KSClassDeclaration>  
  
    fun getAllFunctions(): Sequence<KSFunctionDeclaration>  
  
    fun getAllProperties(): Sequence<KSPropertyDeclaration>  
  
    fun asType(typeArguments: List<KSTypeArgument>): KSType  
  
    fun asStarProjectedType(): KSType  
}
```



```
/**  
 * Kind of a class declaration.  
 * Interface, class, enum class and object  
 * are all considered a class declaration.  
 */  
enum class ClassKind(val type: String) {  
    INTERFACE("interface"),  
    CLASS("class"),  
    ENUM_CLASS("enum_class"),  
    ENUM_ENTRY("enum_entry"),  
    OBJECT("object"),  
    ANNOTATION_CLASS("annotation_class")  
}
```

Advice 4

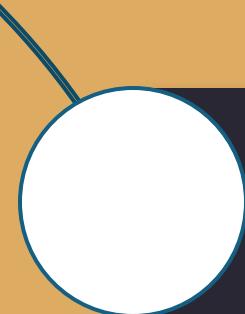


Know the
KSClassKind enum
states

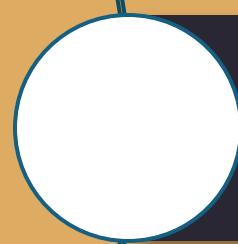
```
fun getCompanionObjectDeclaration(  
    clazz: KSClassDeclaration  
) : KSClassDeclaration? {  
    return clazz  
        .declarations  
        .filterIsInstance<KSClassDeclaration>()  
        .filter { it.classKind == ClassKind.OBJECT }  
        .filter { it.isCompanionObject }  
        .firstOrNull()  
}
```

```
fun getCompanionObjectProperties(clazz: KSClassDeclaration) : List<KSPROPERTYDeclaration>{  
    return getCompanionObjectDeclaration(clazz)?.getAllProperties()?.toList() ?: emptyList()  
}  
  
fun getCompanionObjectFunctions(clazz: KSClassDeclaration) : List<KSFunctionDeclaration>{  
    return getCompanionObjectDeclaration(clazz)?.getAllFunctions()?.toList() ?: emptyList()  
}
```

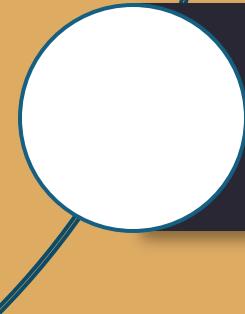
Advice 5



Every class can have max. 1 companion object



All functions and properties of this a companion object can be interpreted like Java static



To find the companion object of a class, use declarations and filter on the Object classKind + KSClassDeclaration isCompanionObject property

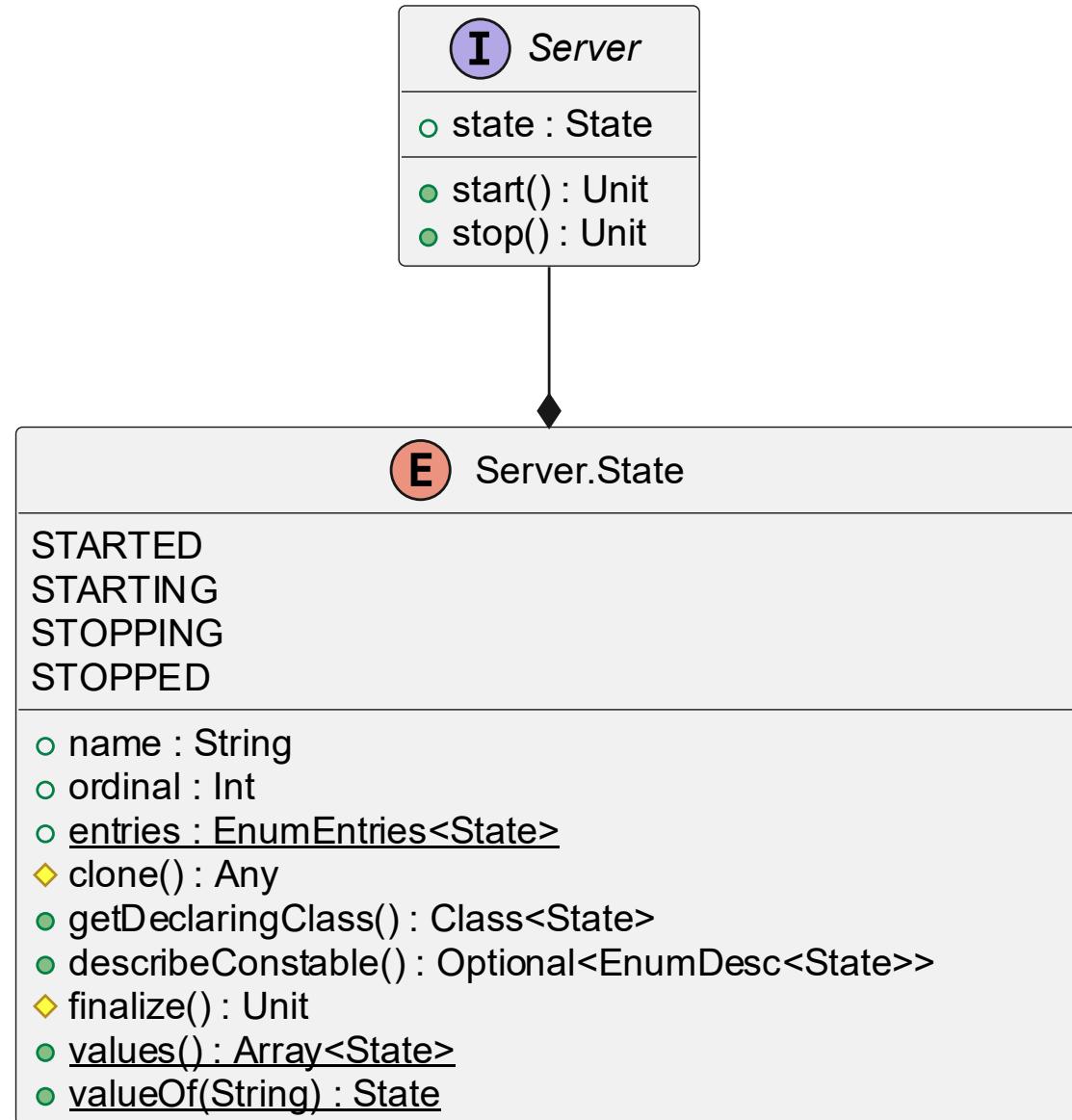


Sure

**Can you add a State so
I can see if the server
is Running ?**



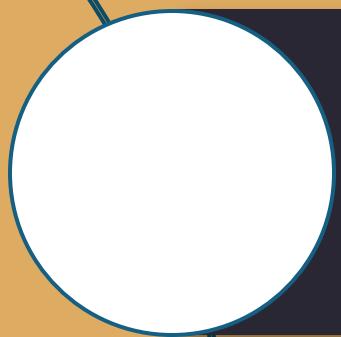
```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
    val state: State  
  
    enum class State {  
        STARTED,  
        STARTING,  
        STOPPING,  
        STOPPED  
    }  
}
```



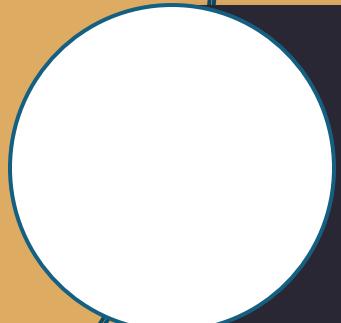


```
fun getEntries(  
    enumKSClassDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration  
): List<String> {  
    return enumKSClassDeclaration.declarations  
        .filterIsInstance<KSClassDeclaration>()  
        .filter { it.classKind == ClassKind.ENUM_ENTRY }  
        .map { it.simpleName.asString() }  
        .toList()  
}
```

Advice 6



Each Enum has a
superType: *Enum <T>*



Enum entries can be retrieved by the
EnumEntry classes in its *declarations*



Sure

Yesterday it got turned
off, but I have no Idea
why, can you add that
to the State ?

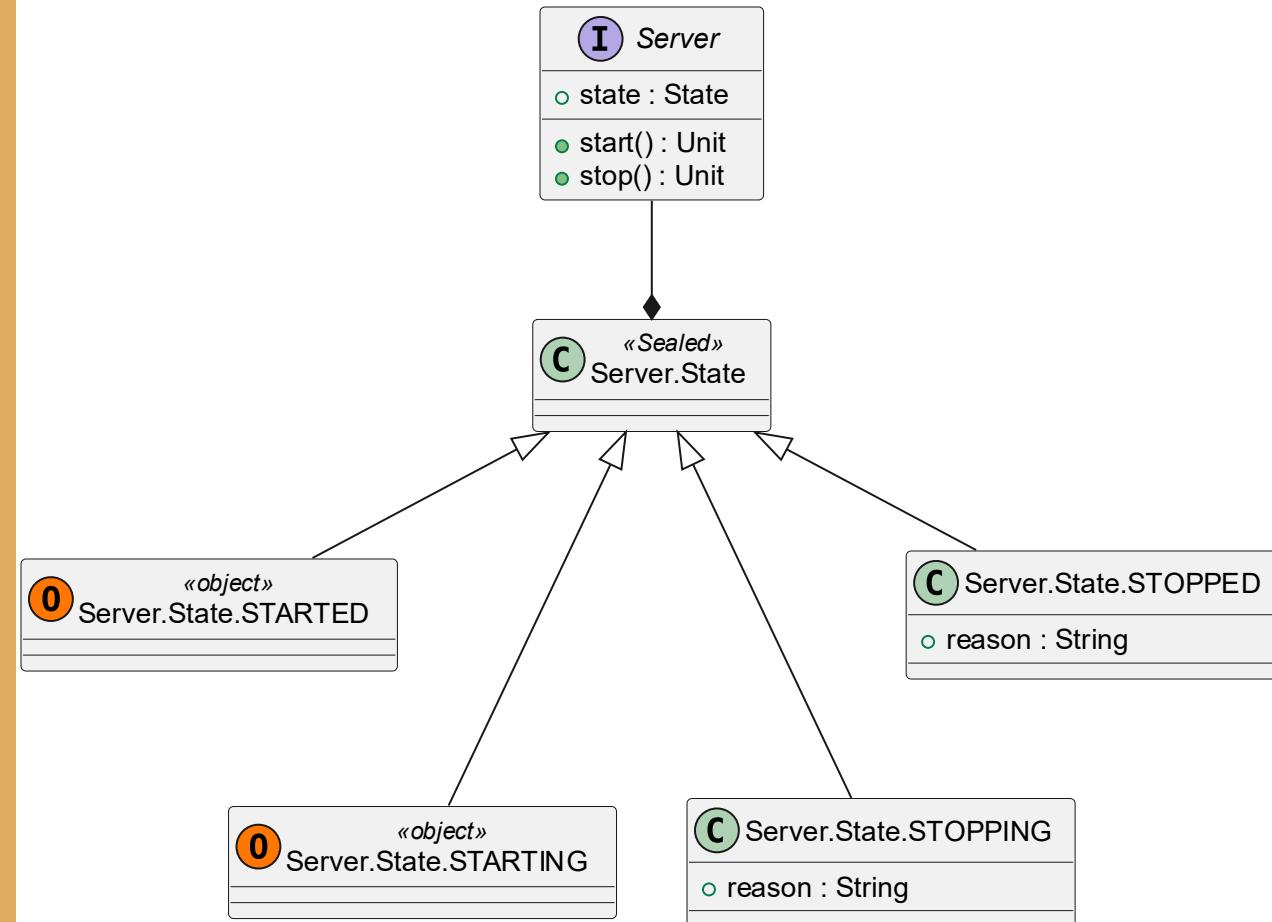
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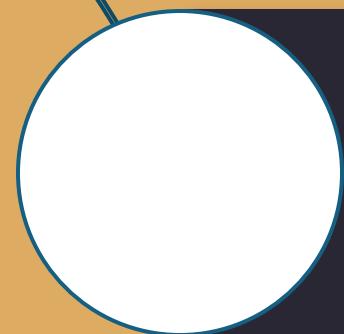
public interface Server {
    fun start(): Unit
    fun stop(): Unit
    val state: State

    sealed class State() {
        object STARTED : State()
        object STARTING : State()
        class STOPPING(val reason: String) : State()
        class STOPPED(val reason: String) : State()
    }
}

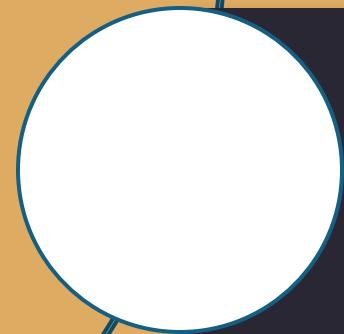
```



Advice 7



A sealed class can be identified by the *modifiers* property



Sealed classes can be interpreted like a group of classes that inherit a shared parent class



**Do you mind if we
do internally ?
If not I will provide
an TypeAlias !**

**We dont say Config
anymore. We call it
Properties now.**



```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
  
    interface Config {  
        val ipAddress: String  
        val port: Int  
    }  
}  
  
typealias Property = Server.Config
```

I Server

- start(): Unit
- stop(): Unit

I Server.Config

- ipAddress : String
- port : Int

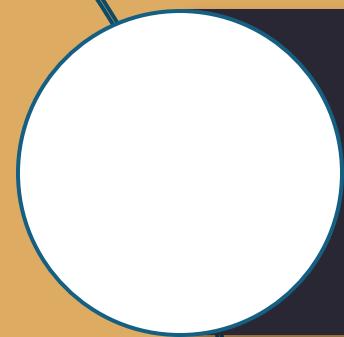
A «alias»
Property

TypeAlias of Config

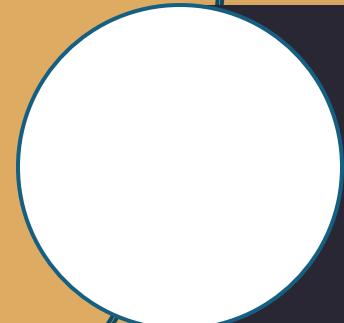


```
interface KSTypeAlias : KSDeclaration {  
  
    val name: KSName  
  
    val type: KSTypeReference  
}
```

Advice 8



Typealias are not
KSClassDeclarations



Extension functions can be
applied on TypeAlias



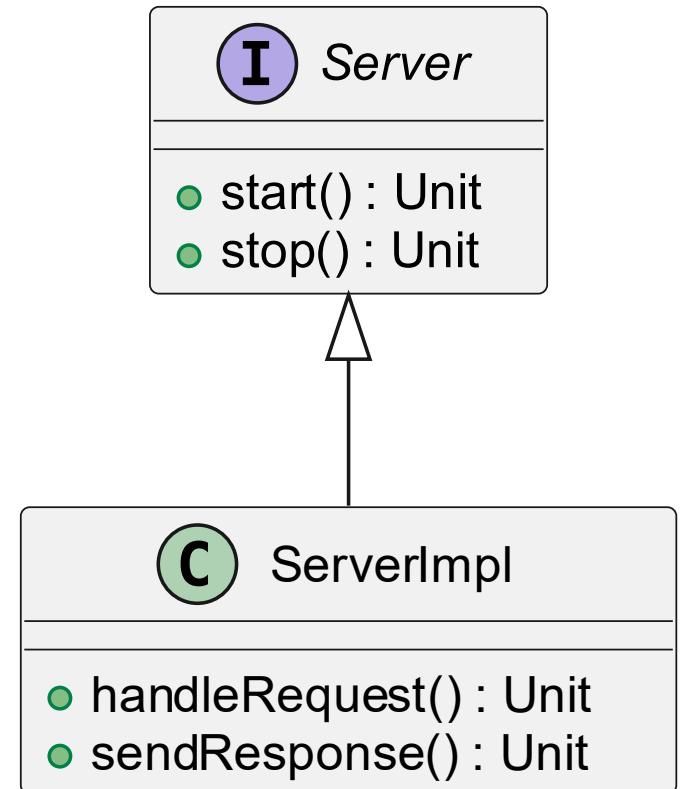
Ok I'll try

The other
team mentioned, you only
provide an Interface. Can you
show me how you implement
the server internally ?

Expected Generated Documentation



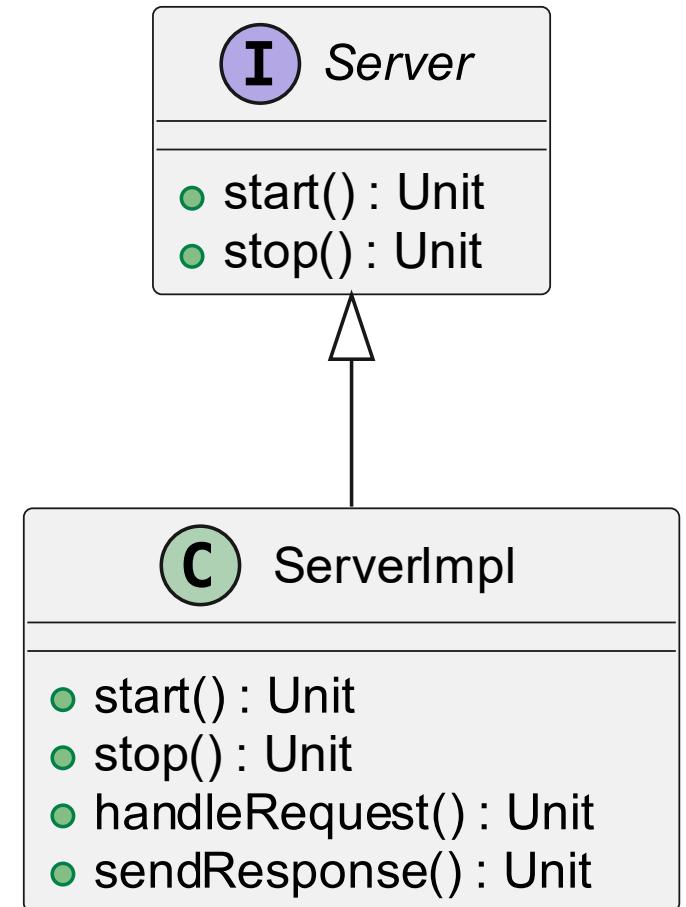
```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
}  
  
internal class ServerImpl : Server {  
    override fun start(): Unit{}  
    override fun stop(): Unit{}  
    fun handleRequest(): Unit{}  
    fun sendResponse(): Unit{}  
}
```



Actual Generated Documentation



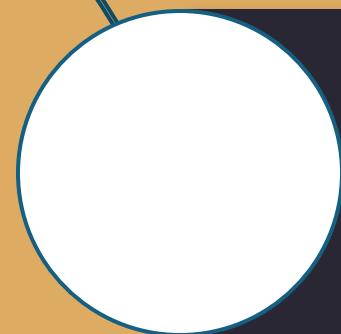
```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
}  
  
internal class ServerImpl : Server {  
    override fun start(): Unit{}  
    override fun stop(): Unit{}  
    fun handleRequest(): Unit{}  
    fun sendResponse(): Unit{}  
}
```



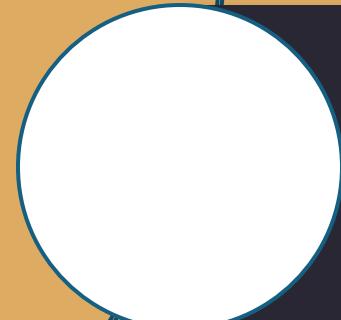
```
override fun visitClassDeclaration(  
    classDeclaration: KSClassDeclaration,  
    data: Unit  
) {  
    val functions = classDeclaration  
        .getAllFunctions()  
        .filterNot { it.isInherited() }  
  
    val properties = classDeclaration  
        .getAllProperties()  
        .filterNot { it.isInherited() }  
}
```

```
fun KSFunctionDeclaration.isInherited(): Boolean{  
    if (this.modifiers.contains(Modifier.OVERRIDE)) {  
        return true  
    }  
    // ... more checks  
    return true  
}  
  
fun KSPROPERTYDeclaration.isInherited(): Boolean{  
    if (this.modifiers.contains(Modifier.OVERRIDE)) {  
        return true  
    }  
    // ... more checks  
    return true  
}
```

Advice 9



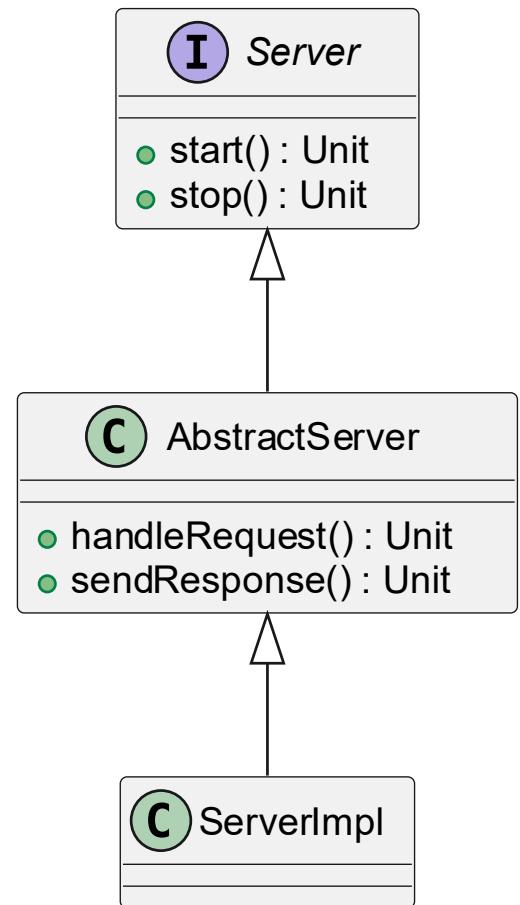
To find the functions that are provided by a parent interface, the modifier can be checked



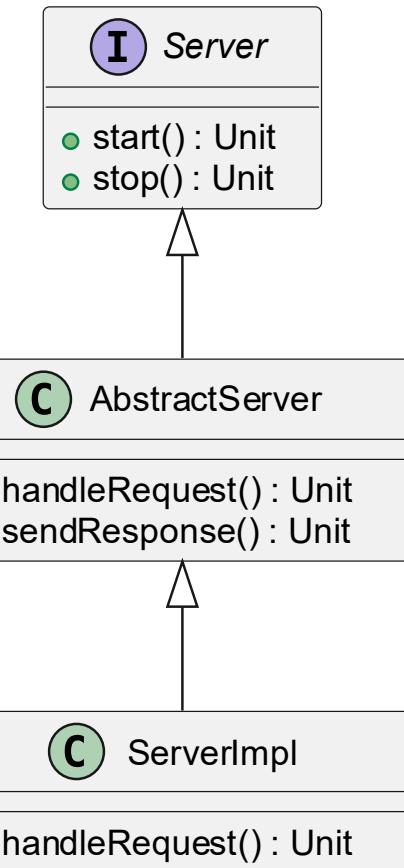
If the parent is an abstract class, the override modifier might not be present

Expected Generated Documentation

```
public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
}  
  
public abstract class AbstractServer() : Server {  
    override fun start(): Unit {}  
    override fun stop(): Unit {}  
    fun handleRequest(): Unit {}  
    fun sendResponse(): Unit {}  
}  
  
internal class ServerImpl : AbstractServer {  
    override fun sendResponse(): Unit {}  
}
```



Actual Generated Documentation



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public interface Server {  
    fun start(): Unit  
    fun stop(): Unit  
}  
  
public abstract class AbstractServer() : Server {  
    override fun start(): Unit {}  
    override fun stop(): Unit {}  
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internal class ServerImpl : AbstractServer {  
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}
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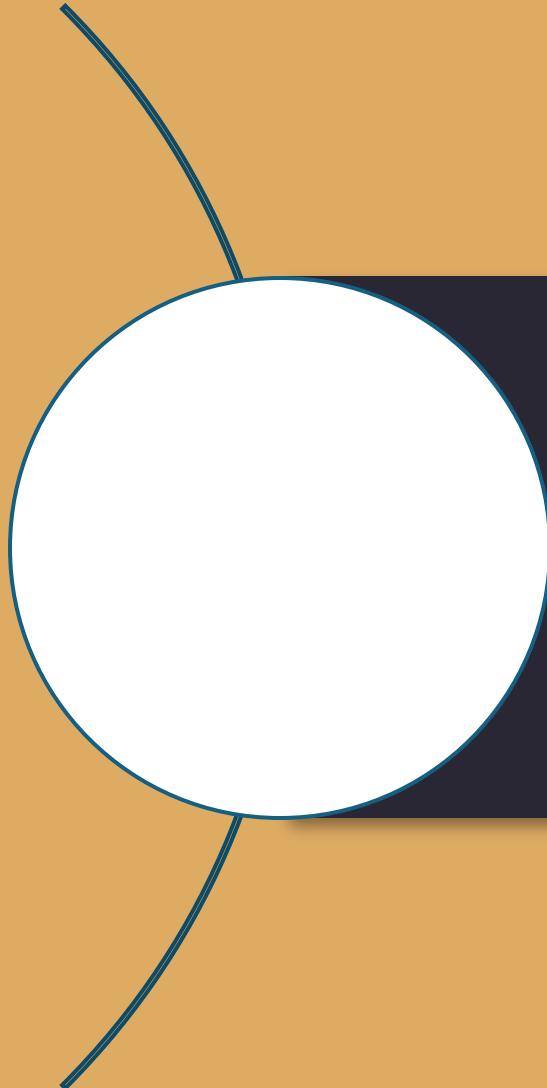
```
// fullqualifiedName = Server
public interface Server {
    // fullqualifiedName = Server.start
    fun start(): Unit
    // fullqualifiedName = Server.stop
    fun stop(): Unit
}

// fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer
public abstract class AbstractServer() : Server {
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.start
    override fun start(): Unit {}
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.stop
    override fun stop(): Unit {}
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.handleRequest
    fun handleRequest(): Unit {}
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.sendResponse
    fun sendResponse(): Unit {}
}

// fullqualifiedName = ServerImpl
internal class ServerImpl : AbstractServer {
    // fullqualifiedName = ServerImpl.sendResponse
    override fun sendResponse(): Unit {}
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.start
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.stop
    // fullqualifiedName = AbstractServer.handleRequest
}
```

```
fun KSFunctionDeclaration.isInherited(): Boolean {
    if (this.modifiers.contains(Modifier.OVERRIDE)) {
        return true
    }
    val ownerOfThisFunction = this.parentDeclaration as? KSClassDeclaration
    val parents: List<KSClassDeclaration> = ownerOfThisFunction
        ?.superTypes
        ?.toList()
        ?.map { it.resolve().declaration }
        ?.filterIsInstance<KSClassDeclaration>() ?: emptyList()
    val parentFunctions: List<String> = parents
        .flatMap { it.getAllFunctions().toList() }
        .mapNotNull { it.qualifiedName?.asString() }
    if (this.qualifiedName?.asString() in parentFunctions) {
        return true
    }
    // ... more checks
    return true
}
```

Advice 10



To find the functions that are provided by a parent class, the full qualified name can be compared



...

Btw. The
other Team added an extension
function on your Server.
Depending on the Server state
they have a property
„isRunning“.



I thought so
already.

Ahh one more thing:
We would love to see what
Requests have been received
and what Responses have
been sent



Thank you.
But you only know
the half of the
story

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