

Real-time audio using Swift

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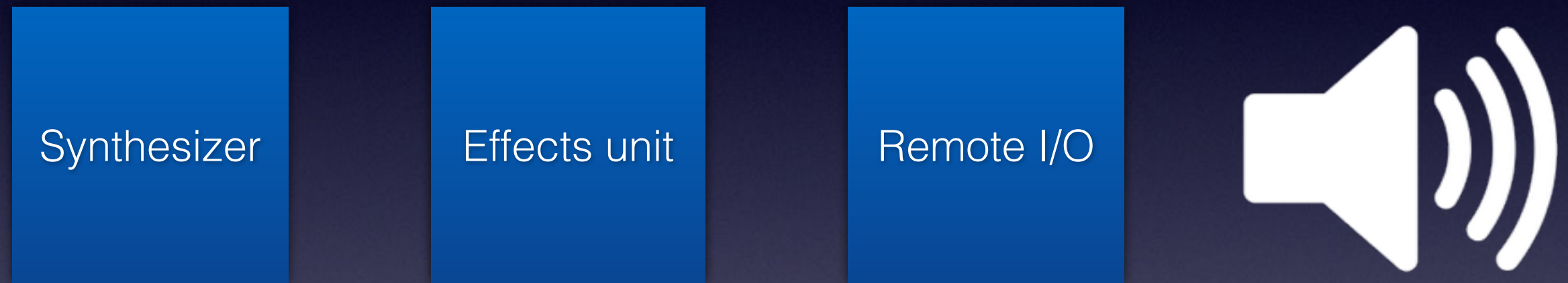
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Basics of real-time audio

Real-time audio: Why?

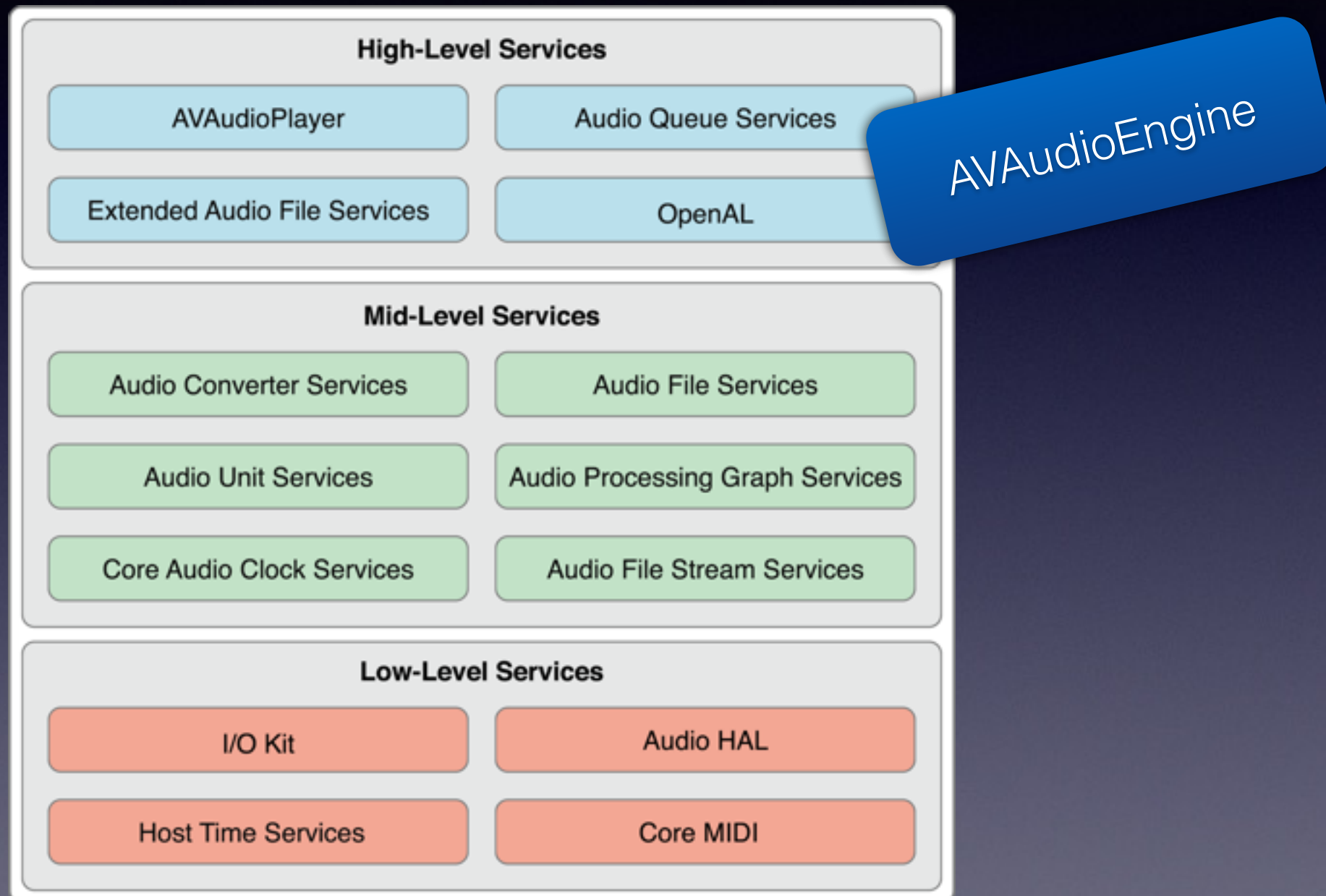
- Versatility
- Complexity
- Immediacy

Real-time audio: How?



- **Graph** of audio-processing nodes (Audio Units)
- The buffers are passed around through a **pull mechanism**.
- The pull mechanism works with **render callbacks**.

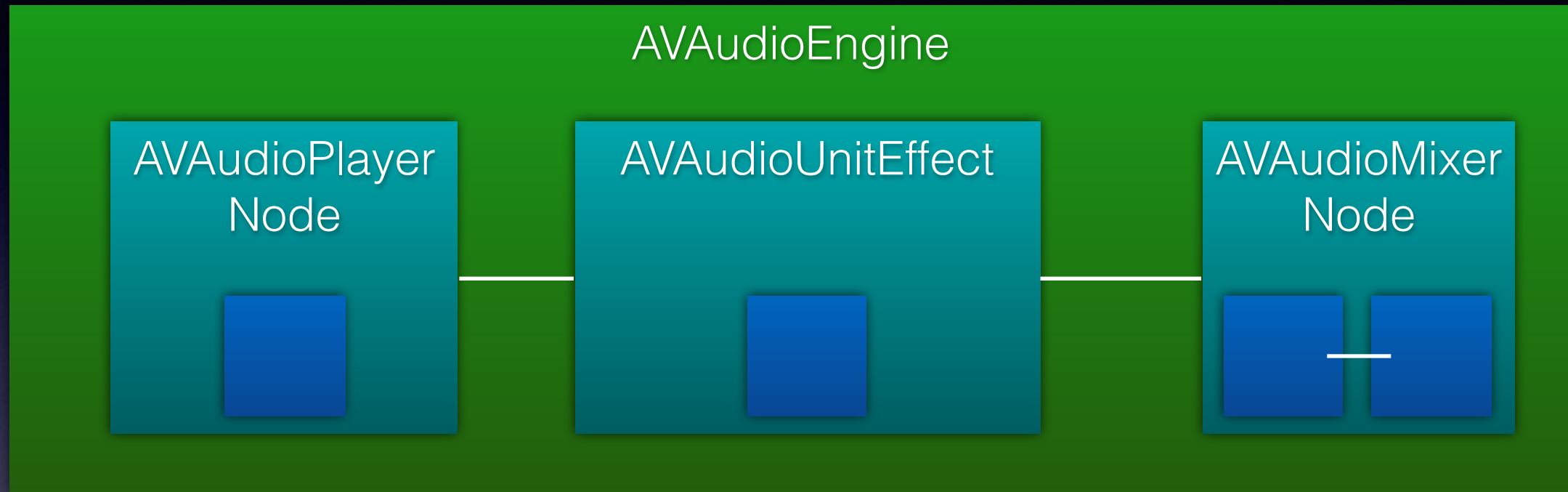
Real-time audio: Core Audio



From Apple's *Core Audio Overview*

AVAudioEngine

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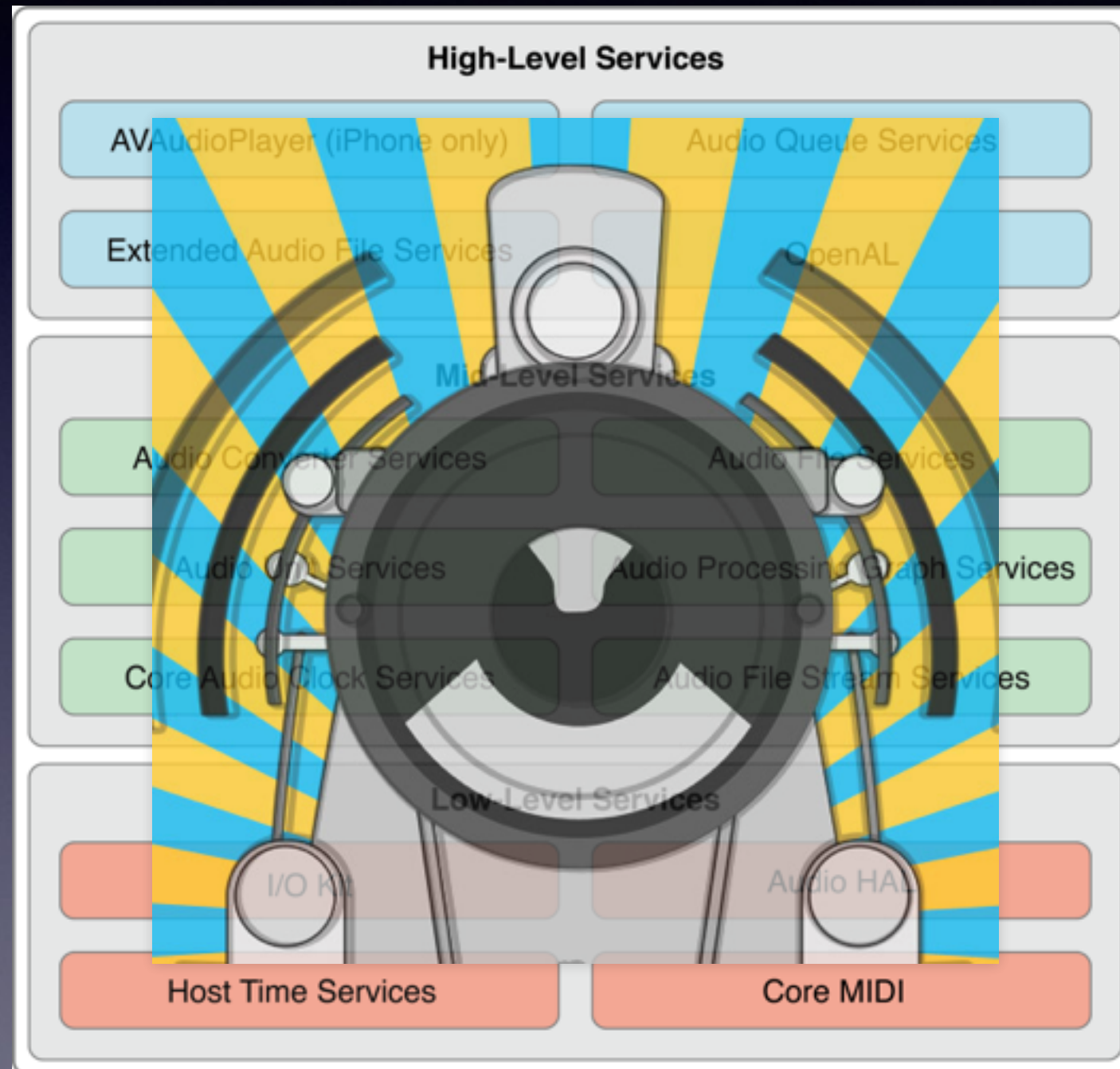


- Control over real time audio processing parameters
- Dynamically configure audio-processing nodes
- Input and output monitoring
- Much more (3D Mixing, recording, MIDI, ...)

Demo

The Amazing Audio Engine

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- *Lots* of functionality in common with AVAudioEngine
 - Control over real time audio processing parameter
 - Dynamically configure audio-processing nodes
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- Simple wrapper for AudioUnit
- Support for iOS 6.1+

Demo: The Amazing Sequencer

Best Practices

- Represent your Audio Engine as a class, not a struct.
- Let your app delegate manage the Audio Engine.
- Setup your AVAudioSession adequately.

Goodies

faturl.com/swiftyaudio

Thank You!

Questions?

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