

What's New in Core Image

Session 510

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What We Will Cover Today

A Brief Introduction to Core Image

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Bridging Core Image with Other Frameworks

A Brief Introduction to Core Image

Key Concepts

Filters can be chained together for complex effects



Original

Sepia
Filter



Hue
Adjust
Filter



Affine
Filter



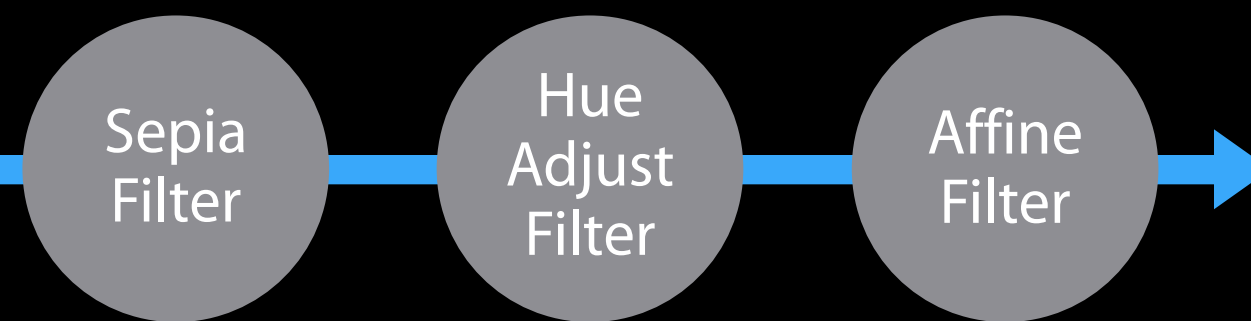
Result

Key Concepts

Intermediate images are lightweight objects



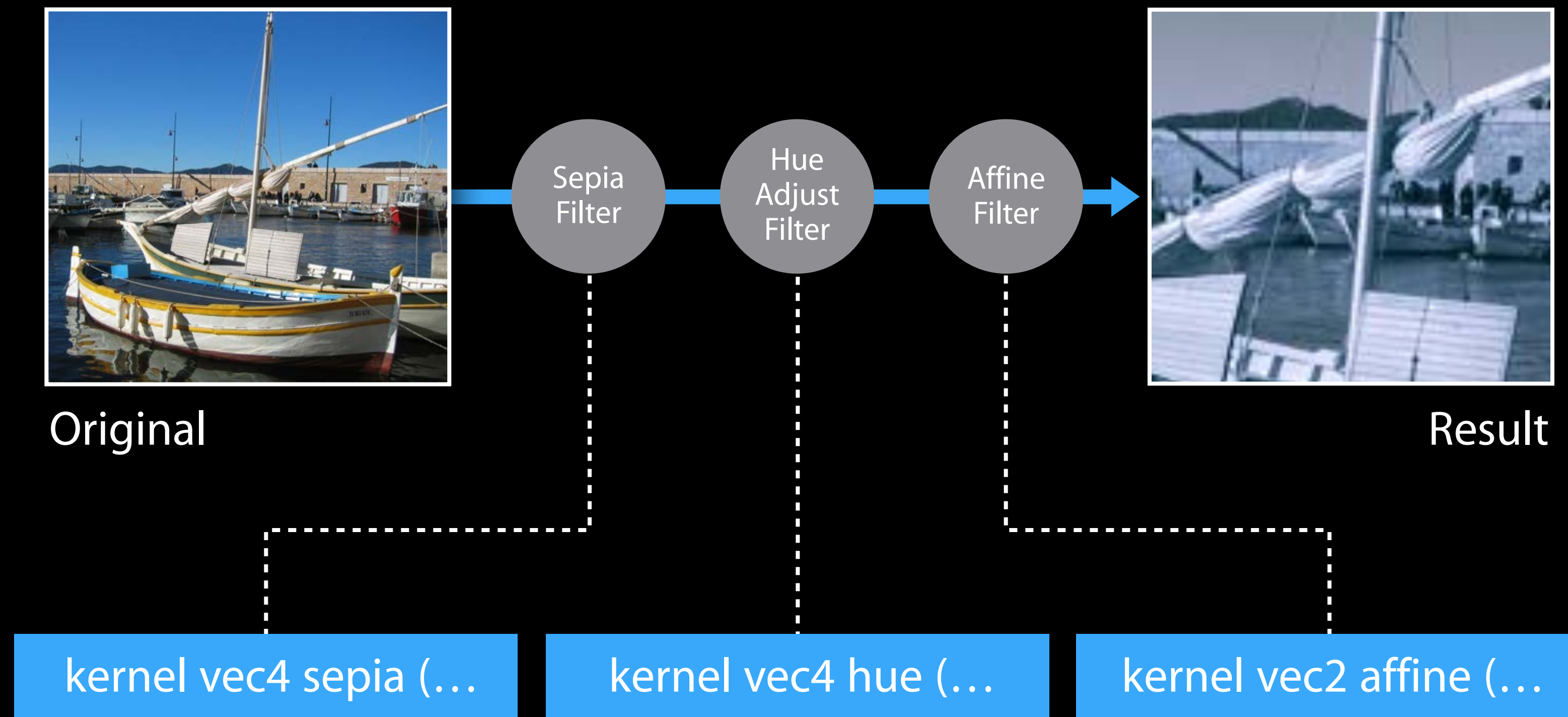
Original



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Key Concepts

Each filter has one or more kernel functions



Key Concepts

Kernels concatenated into programs to minimize buffers



Original

Concat'd
Filter

kernel vec4 sepia (...
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kernel vec2 affine (...



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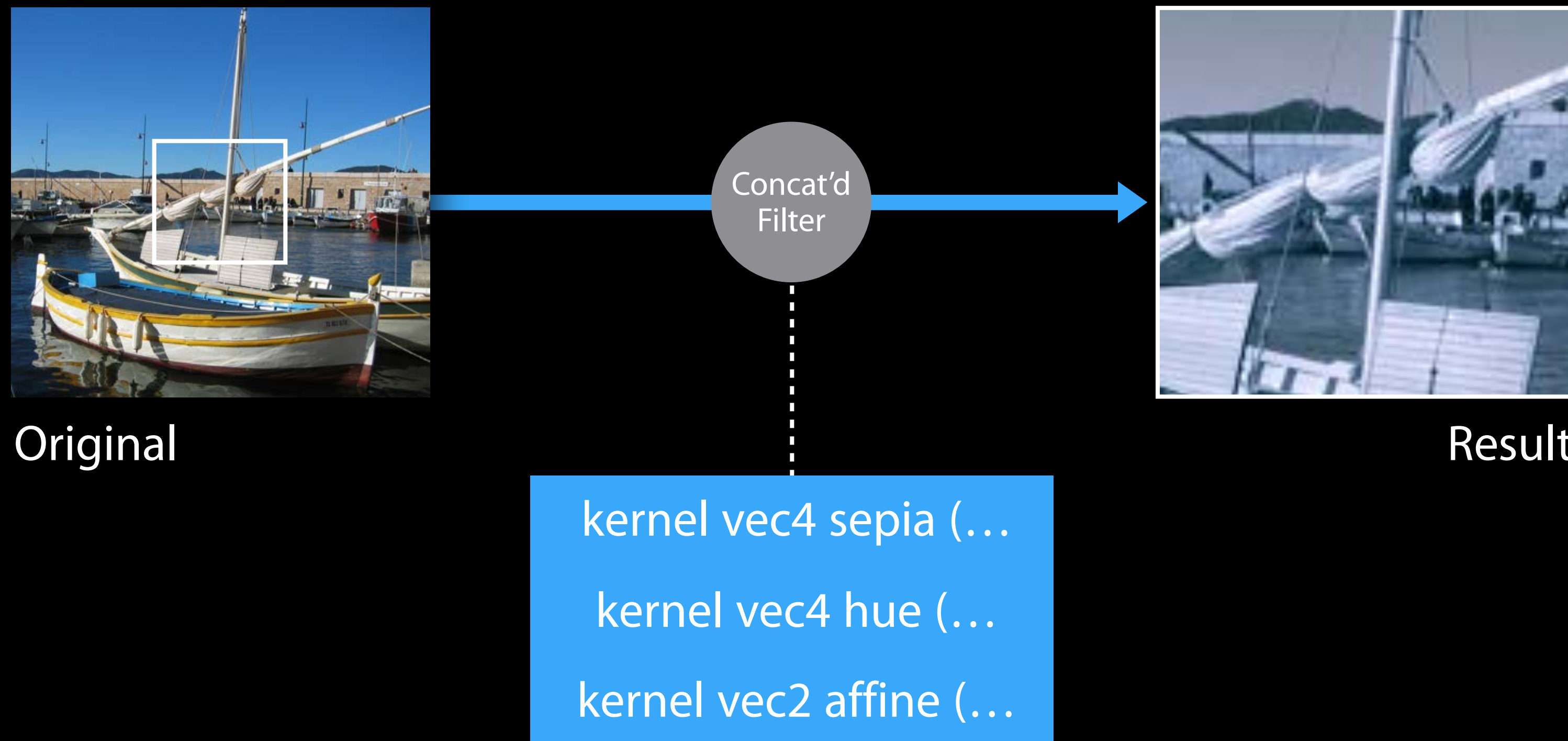
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Core Image Classes

CIKernel

- Represents a program written in Core Image's language

CIFilter

- Has mutable input parameters
- Uses one or more CIKernels to create a new image based on inputs

CImage

- An immutable object that represents the recipe for an image

CIContext

- An object through which Core Image draws results

What's New in Core Image

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Metal

Filters

Detectors

Color management

Kernel class and language

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Unified implementation

Metal Integration

NEW

Metal Textures can be an input to Core Image

Metal Textures can be the output of Core Image

Core Image can use Metal to render filters

Some CIFilters use Metal Performance Shaders

Same Built-in Filters Across Platforms

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40 new filters for iOS Core Image

- Comic Effect, CMYK Halftone, Droste, Page Curl
- Median, Edges, Noise Reduction
- Reduction filters such as Area Maximum, Column Average



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Two New Built-in CIFilters

PDF417 and Code128 barcode generators

NEW



New CIDetector

CIFaceDetector

CIBarcodeDetector

CIRectangleDetector

New CIDetector

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CIColorKernel and CIWarpKernel subclasses makes it easier to write common filters

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kernel vec4 blendWithMask( sampler fore, sampler back, sampler mask)
{
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    vec4 b = sample (back, samplerCoord (back));
    vec4 m = sample (mask, samplerCoord (mask));
    return mix (b, f, m.g);
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```
kernel vec4 blendWithMask(__sample fore, __sample back, __sample mask)
{
    return mix (back, fore, mask.g);
}
```

Improved ClKernel Language

Richer language features on OS X



Based on LLVM technologies

New language features (if, for, while)

ClKernels in existing apps should work

Stricter compiler errors if your app is linked with OS X El Capitan

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```
kernel vec4 motionBlur (sampler image, vec2 dir, float count)
{
    vec2 dc = destCoord();
    vec4 result = vec4(0.0);

    for (float i=0.0; i < count; i++)
        result += sample(image, samplerTransform (image, dc + dir * i));

    return result / count;
}
```

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    for (float i=0.0; i < count; i++) {
        vec4 s = sample(image, samplerTransform (image, dc + dir * i));
        if (s.a < 1.0) break;
        result += s; div += 1.0;
    }
    return result / div;
}
```

The Goal of the CKernel Language

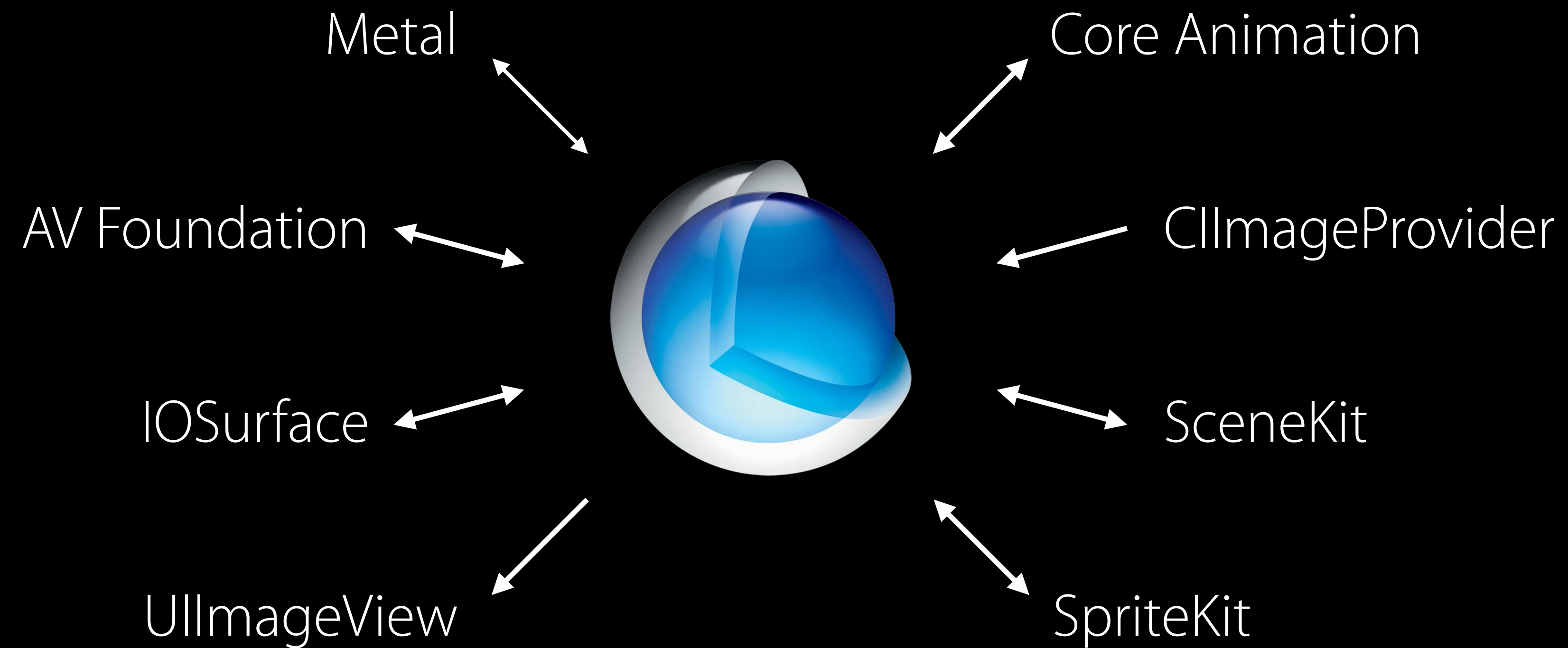
Write kernels once and run everywhere regardless of:

- System: iOS or OS X
- Size: destCoord() and samplerTransform() enable automatic tiling
- Renderer: Metal, OpenCL, OpenGL, OpenGL ES

Bridging Core Image with Other Frameworks

Interoperability

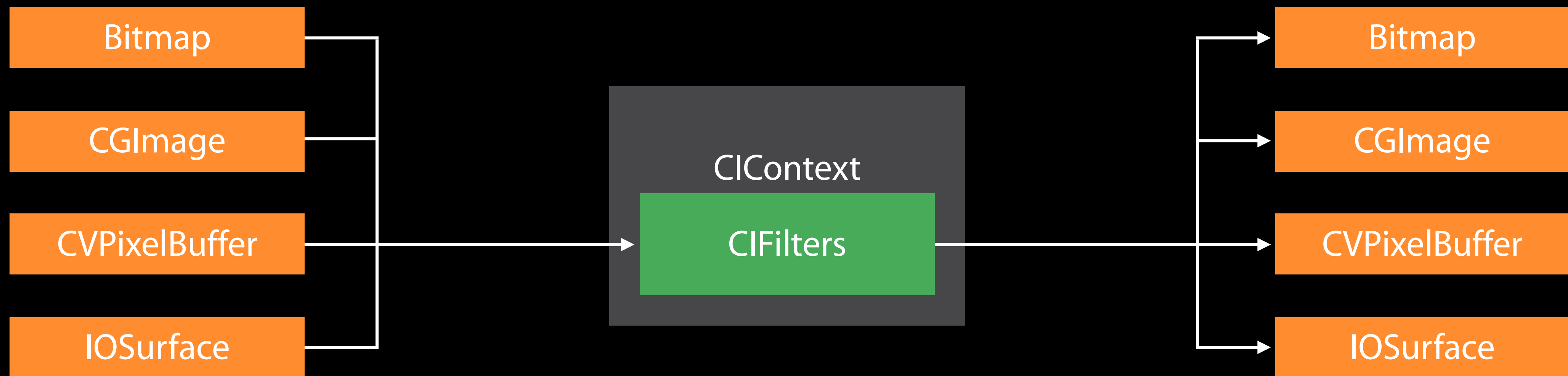
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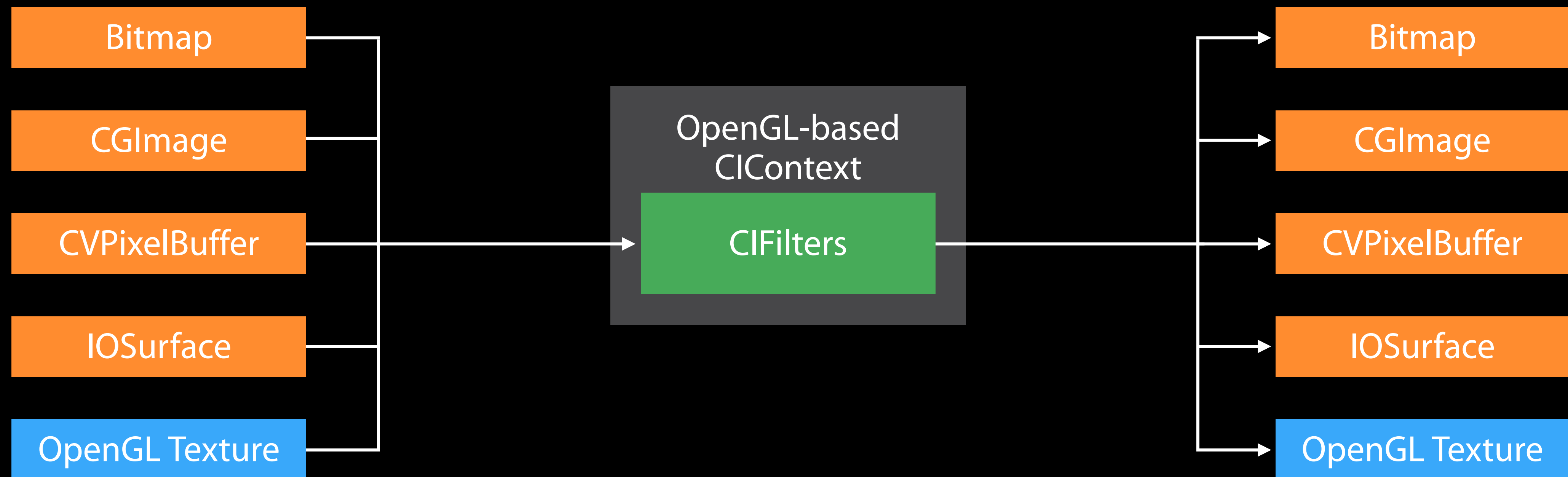
Core Image and Metal

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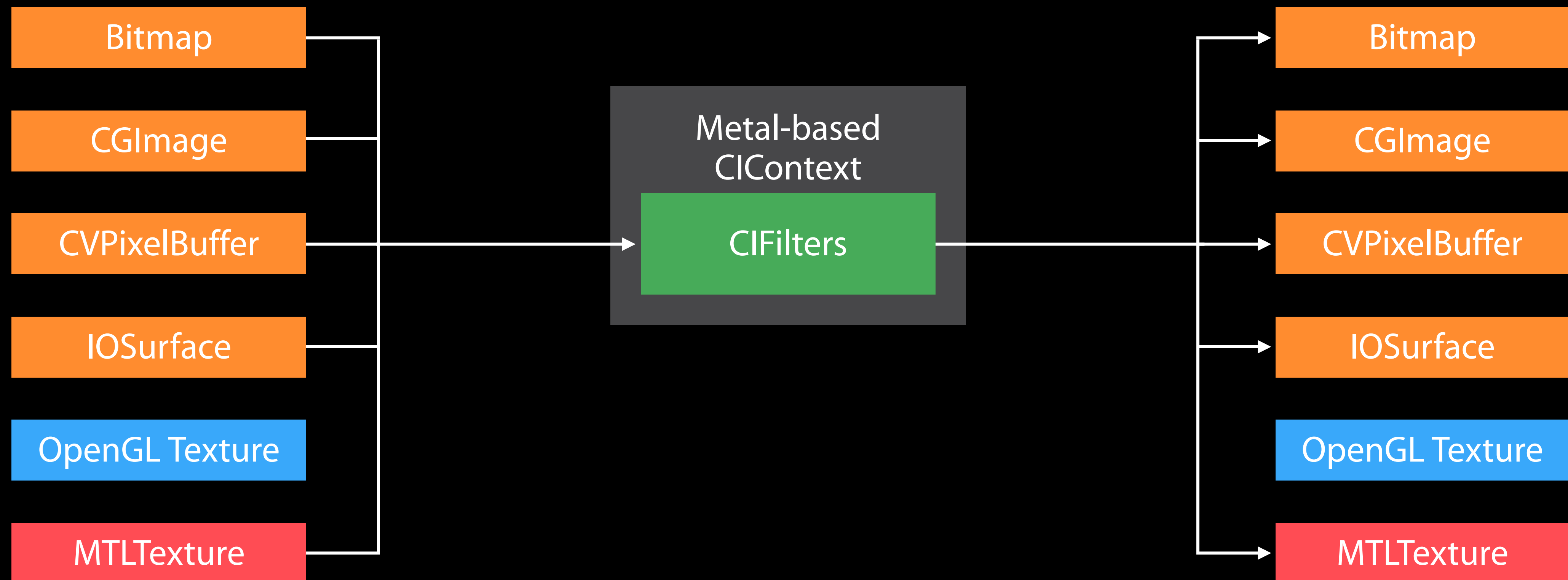
Using Metal with Core Image



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CIImage Metal API

For input textures

NEW

```
init(MTLTexture texture: MTLTexture,  
     options: [String: AnyObject]?)
```


CIContext Metal API

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init(MTLDevice device: MTLDevice)
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If commandBuffer is nil, Core Image will:

- Create one internally
- Encode commands to it
- Commit it before returning

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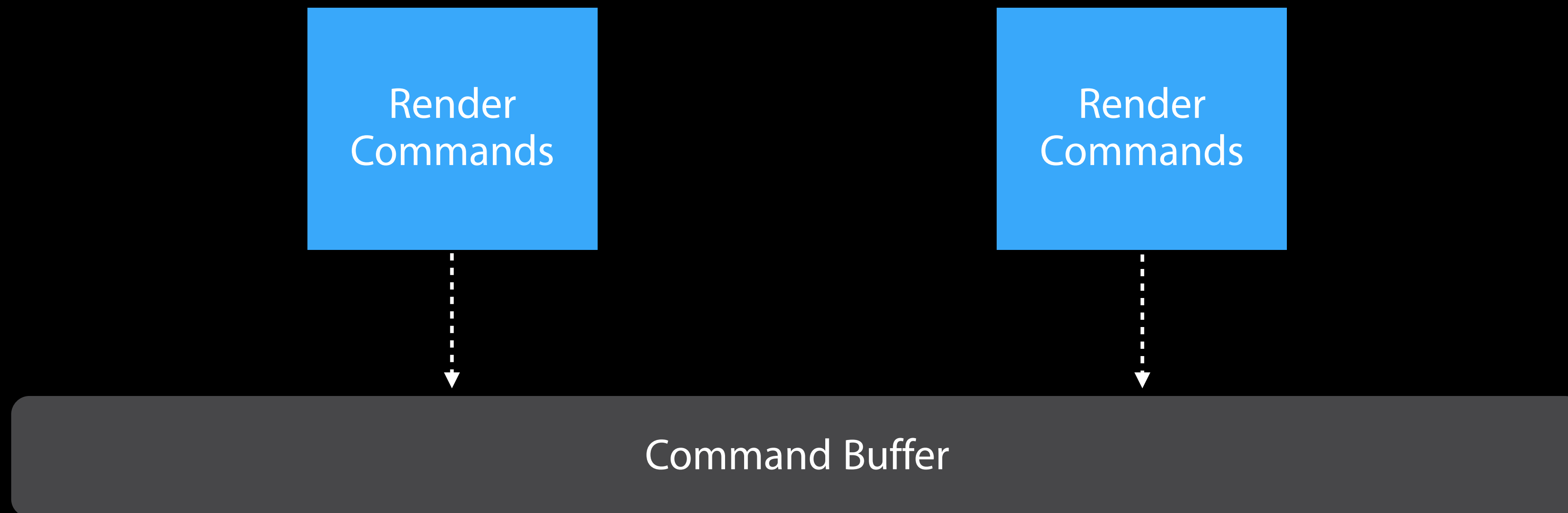
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If commandBuffer is provided, Core Image will:

- Encode commands to it
- Return without committing

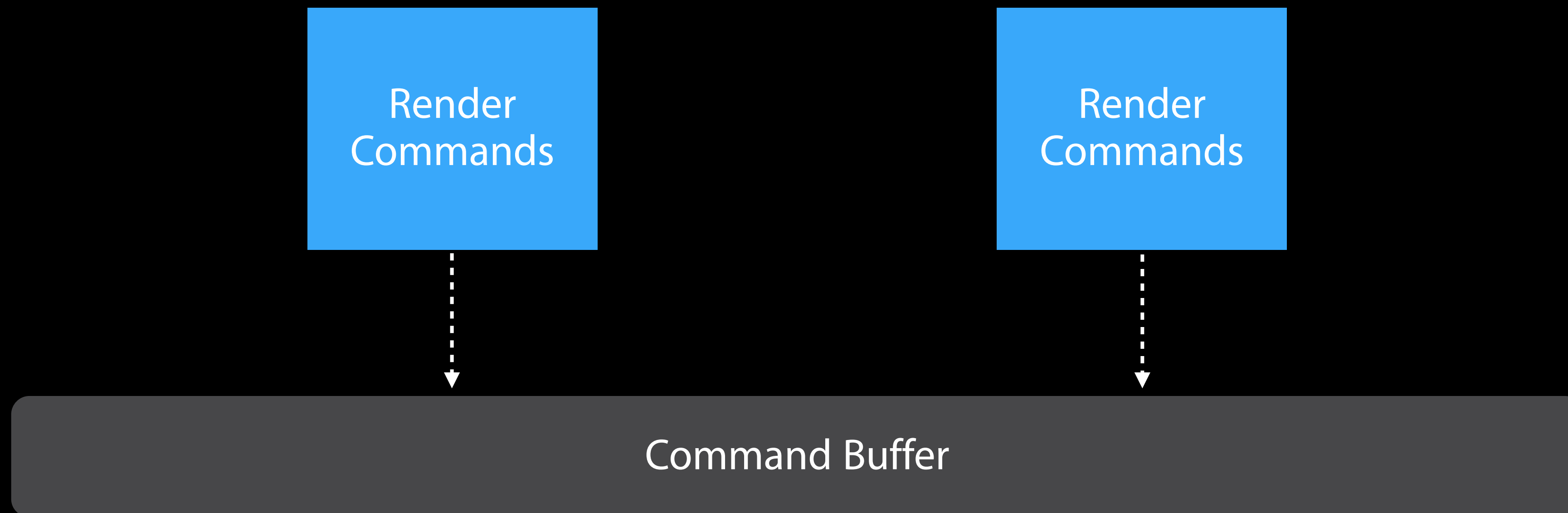
Seamless Integration with Metal

Encoding Metal commands



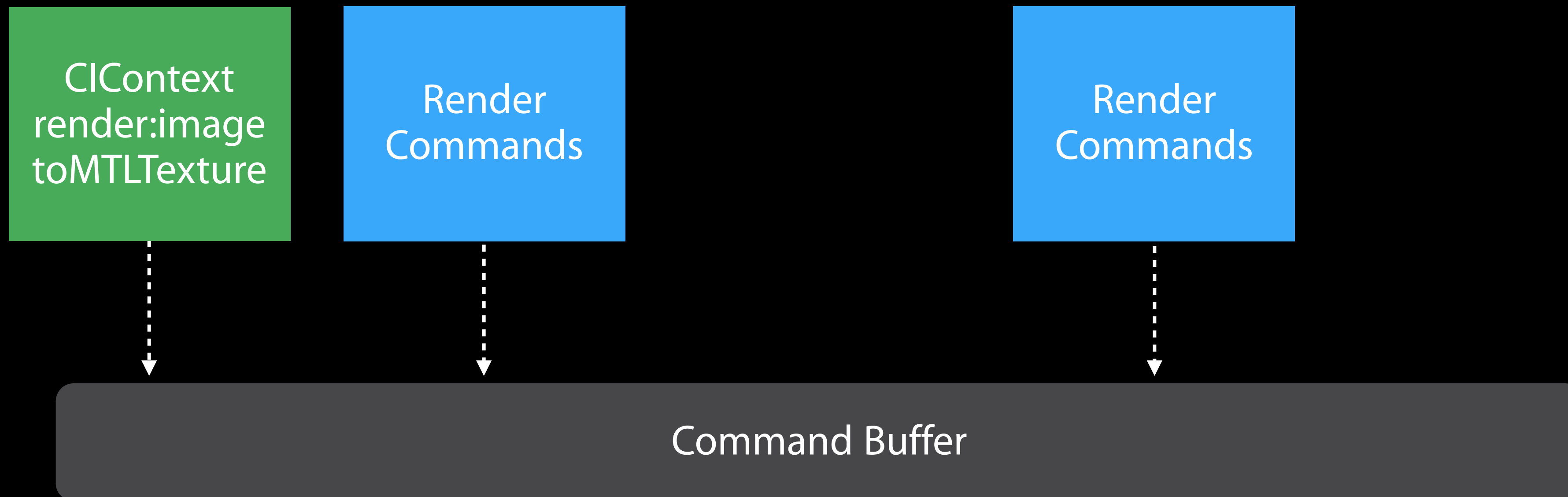
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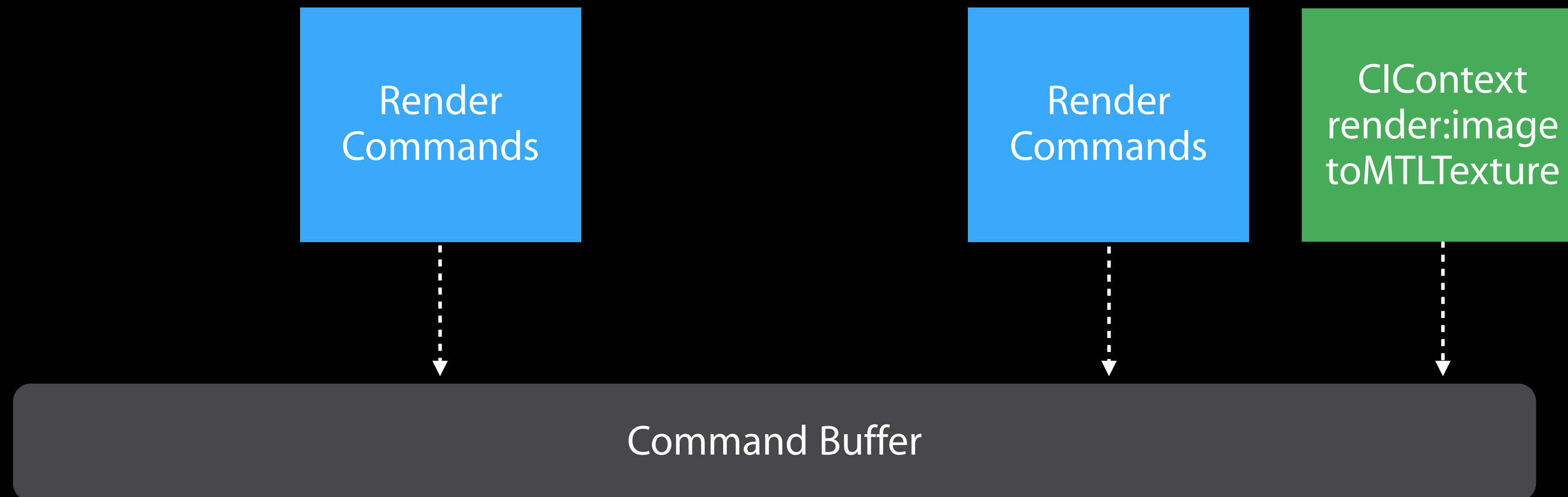
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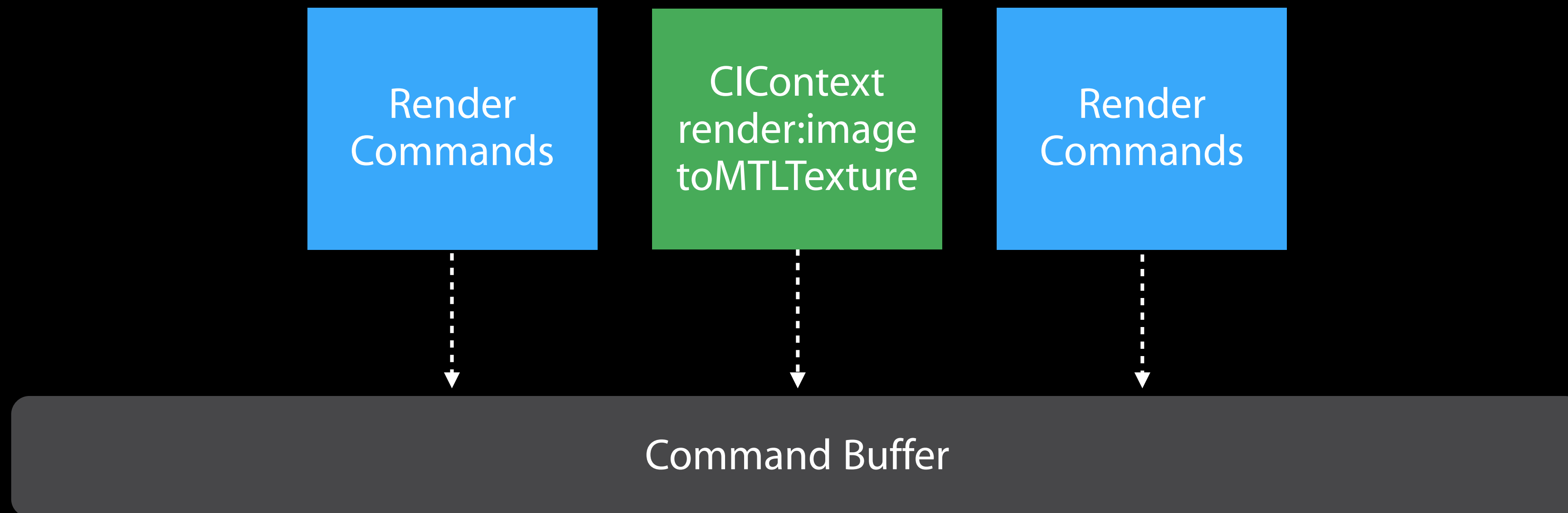
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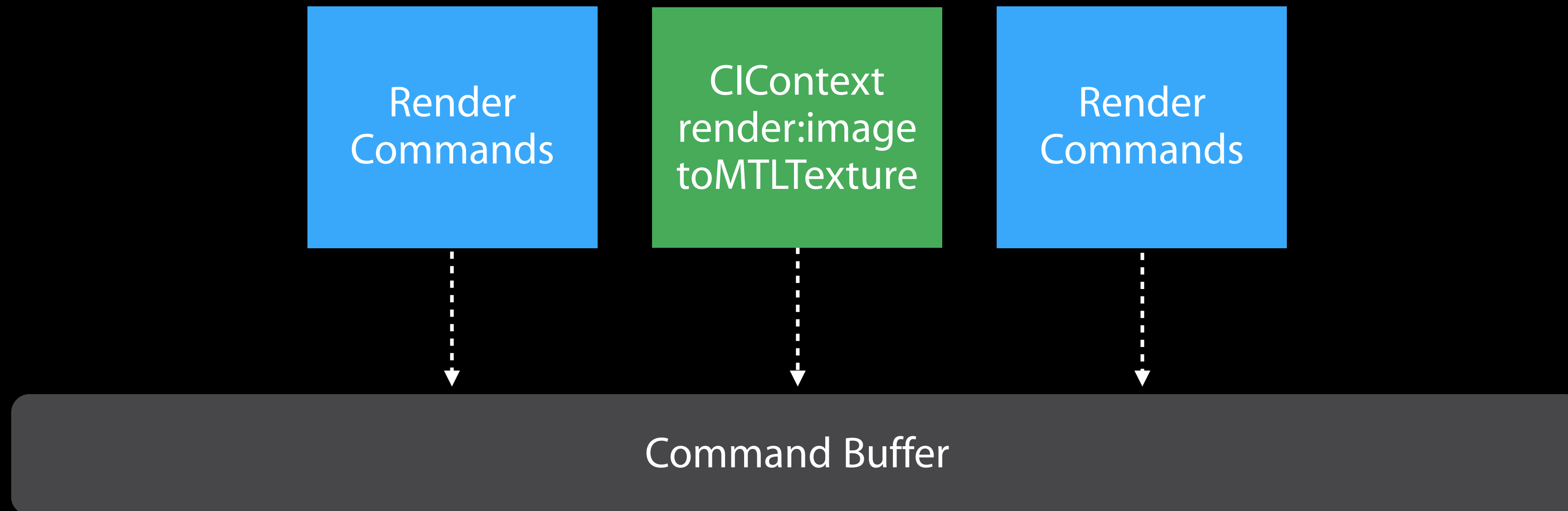
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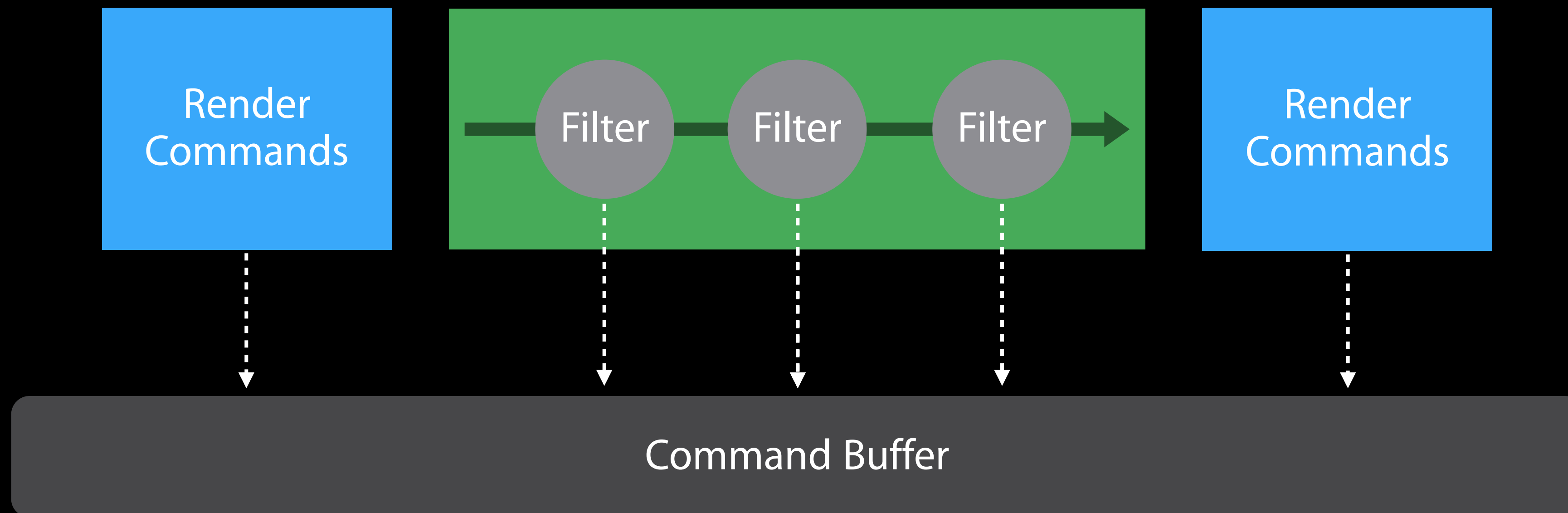
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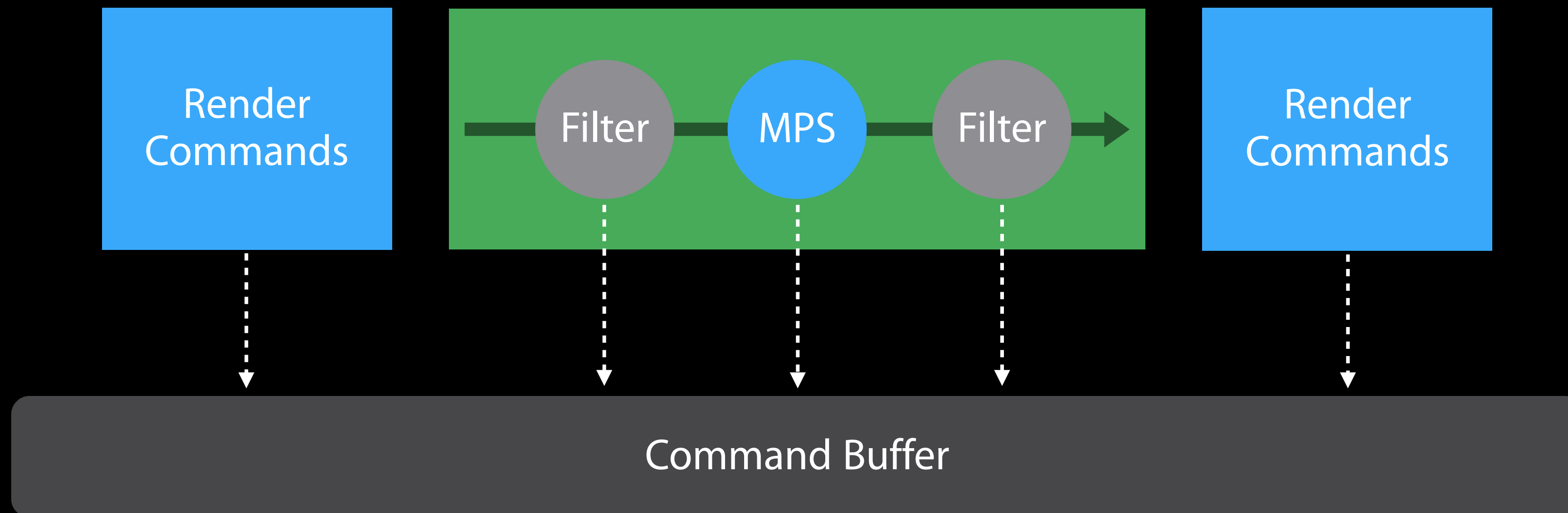
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Core Image will encode commands for each CIFilter



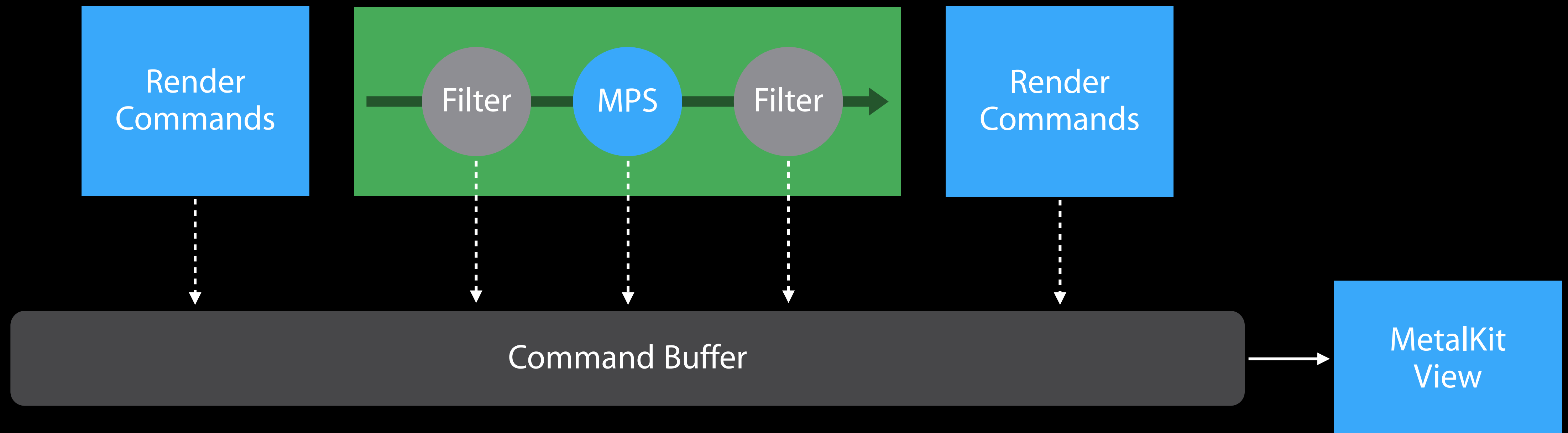
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Seamless Integration with Metal

Drawing final Metal Texture to a *MTKView*



Rendering Core Image to a MetalKit View

Setting up the view

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override func viewDidLoad()  
{  
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        withInputParameters: [kCIInputRadiusKey: 50])
    let outputTexture = view.currentDrawable?.texture
    context.render(image, toMTLTexture: outputTexture!,
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Core Image and AV Foundation

AV Foundation

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- Examples:
 - Exporting an `AVAsset` applying `CIFilters`
 - Playback an `AVAsset` applying `CIFilters`

Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

The custom CIFilter: Image



Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

The custom CIFilter: Image + Sepia



Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

The custom CIFilter: Image + Sepia + Noise



Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

The custom CIFilter: Image + Sepia + Noise + Scratches



Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

The custom CIFilter

```
class OldeFilm : CIFilter
{
    var inputImage: CIImage?
    var inputTime: NSNumber?
}
```

Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Creating a filtered composition

```
let vidComp = AVVideoComposition(asset: avAsset,  
    applyingCIFiltersWithHandler: {  
        request in  
  
        let seconds = CMTimeGetSeconds(request.compositionTime)  
  
        let filtered = request.sourceImage.imageByApplyingFilter("OlderFilm",  
            withInputParameters: [kCIInputTimeKey: seconds])  
  
        request.finishWithImage(filtered, context: nil)  
    })
```

Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Creating a filtered composition without color management

```
let cicontext = CIContext(options: [kCIContextWorkingColorSpace: NSNull()])
let vidComp = AVVideoComposition(asset: avAsset,
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        request in

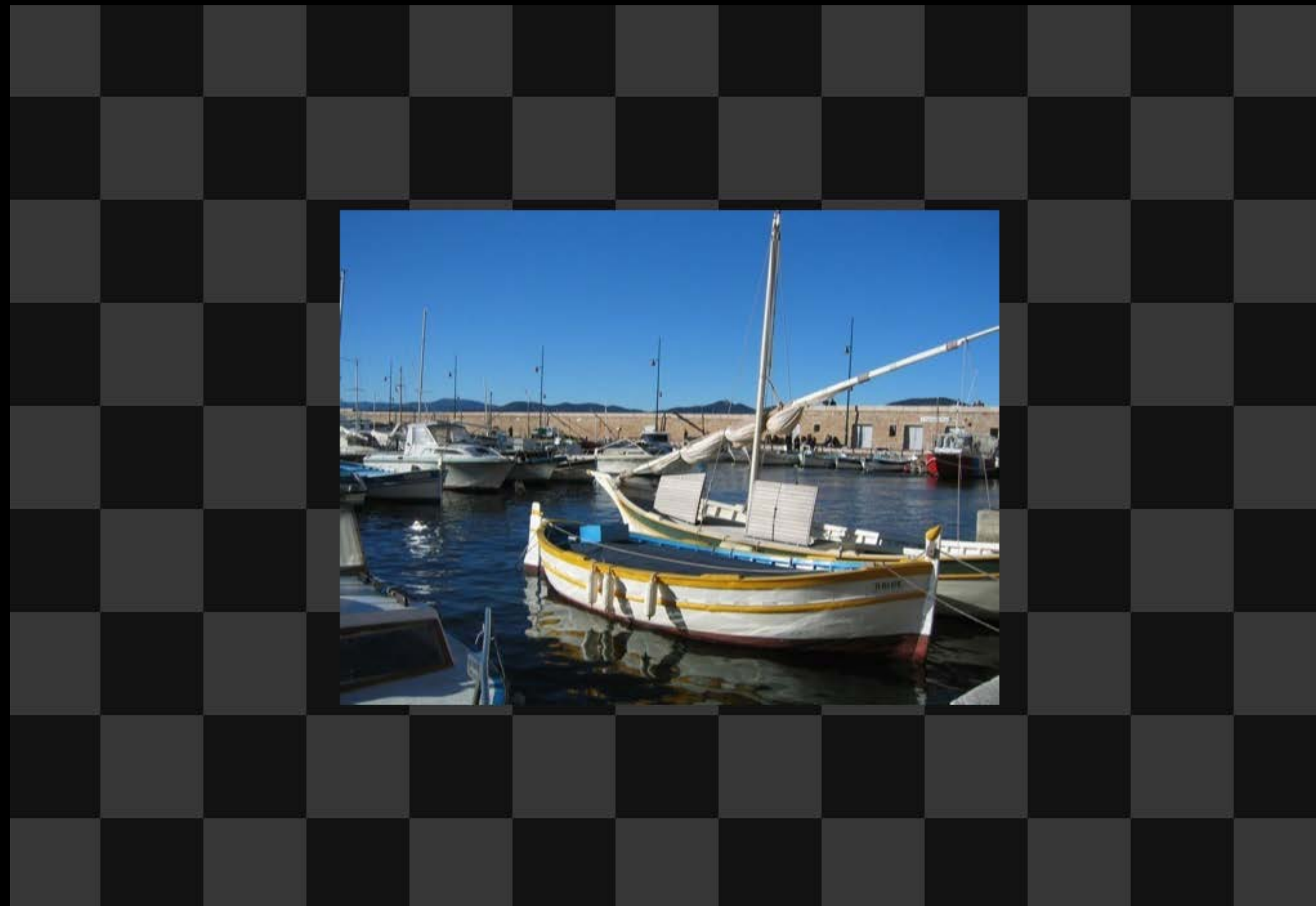
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```

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Convolution filters with unclamped edges



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Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Convolution filters with clamped edges

```
let vidComp = AVVideoComposition(asset: avAsset,  
    applyingCIFiltersWithHandler: {  
        request in  
        filtered = request.sourceImage.imageByClampingToExtent();  
  
        filtered = filtered.imageByApplyingFilter("CIGaussianBlur",  
            withInputParameters: [kCIInputRadiusKey: 100])  
  
        filtered = filtered.imageByCroppingToRect(request.sourceImage.extent)  
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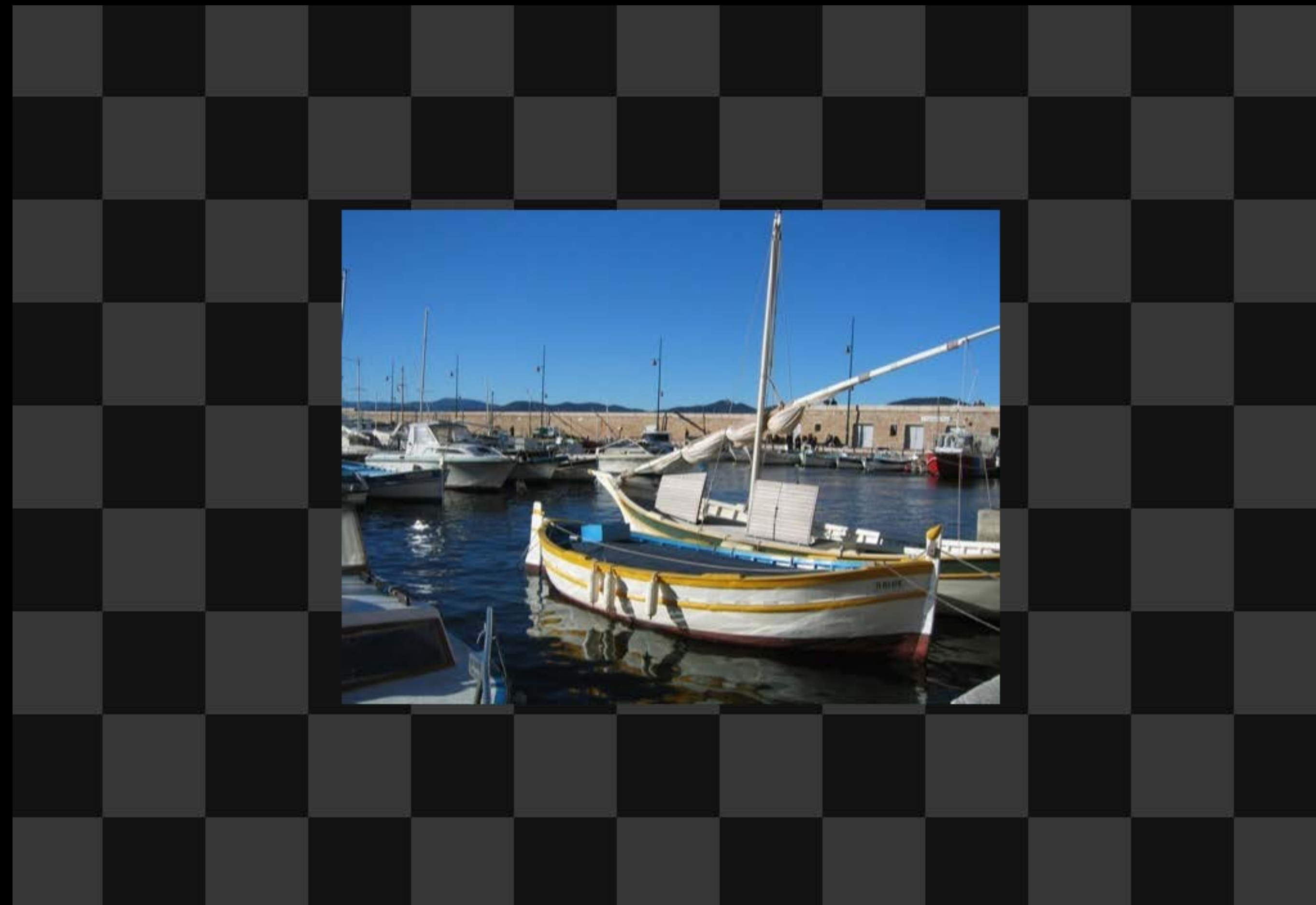
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```

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Exporting an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Exporting the composition

```
let export = AVAssetExportSession(asset: avAsset,  
                                  presetName: AVAssetExportPreset1920x1080)
```

```
export.outputFileType = AVFileTypeQuickTimeMovie
```

```
export.outputURL = outURL
```

```
export.videoComposition = vidComp
```

```
NSFileManager.defaultManager().removeItemAtURL(outURL)
```

```
export.exportAsynchronouslyWithCompletionHandler()
```


Playback an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Creating a filtered composition

```
let vidComp = AVVideoComposition(asset: avAsset,  
    applyingCIFiltersWithHandler: {  
  
        // same as earlier example  
  
    })
```

Playback an AVAsset Applying CIFilters

Make the AVPlayerItem and the AVPlayer

```
let playerItem = AVPlayerItem(asset: avAsset)
```

```
playerItem.videoComposition = vidComp
```

```
let player = AVPlayer(playerItem: playerItem)
```

```
player.play()
```





Core Image Providers

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CIImageProvider



Allows input image in a CIFilter graph to be provided by a callback

Callback is not called until the image is rendered

Supports tiling

Handles caching with purgeability for you

CIImageProvider

```
let myProvider = TileProvider()
```

```
let ciimg = CIImage(imageProvider: myProvider,  
                    size: pixelsWide, pixelsHigh,  
                    format: kCIFormatBGRA8,  
                    colorSpace: cs,  
                    options: [kCIImageProviderTileSize: tileSize])
```

CImageProvider

```
class TileProvider {  
    func provideImageData(data: UnsafeMutablePointer<Void>,  
                           bytesPerRow rowbytes: Int,  
                           origin x: Int, _ y: Int,  
                           size width: Int, _ height: Int,  
                           userInfo info: AnyObject?) {  
        // your code here  
    }  
}
```

Core Image and View Classes

View Classes and Core Image

High Level

Easy to use



Low Level

Better performance,
more control

UIImageView

GLK View

MTKView

Custom Class
CAEGLLayer
backed

Custom Class
CAMetalLayer
backed

Core Image and UIImageView

UIImageView

It is very easy to use CImages with UIImageView

```
imageView.image = UIImage(CIImage: ciimage)
```

But its performance is not optimal

- Because the image is rendered twice



FPS: 20

UINavigationController

GLKView

MTLView



FPS: 20

UINavigationController

GLKView

MTLView



FPS: 48

UINavigationController

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UINavigationController

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Core Image and Core Animation

CALayer



Can set filter array on a NSView's CALayer

```
let filter = CIFilter(name: "CIPixellate",  
    withInputParameters:[kCIInputScaleKey: 20.0])
```

```
view.layer = CALayer()  
view.wantsLayer = true  
view.layerUsesCoreImageFilters = true  
view.layer?.filters = [filter]
```


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On iOS use GLKView or OpenGL ES directly

```
class MyGLKView : GLKView {
```

```
}
```

```
class MyGLView : UIView {
```

```
    override class func layerClass() -> AnyClass { return CAEAGLLayer.self }
```

```
}
```

Core Image and IOSurface

IOSurface

IOSurfaceRef advantages:

- Purgeability, locking semantics, efficient moving between devices

Core Image supports many surfaces pixel formats (eg. 420, 444, RGBAh)

On iOS, the benefits of IOSurface can be achieved via CVPixelBuffers

```
var pixelBuffer : UnsafeMutablePointer<Unmanaged<CVPixelBuffer>?>
CVPixelBufferCreate(nil, width: width, height: height,
    pixelFormatType: kCVPixelFormatType_32RGBA,
    pixelFormatAttributes: [kCVPixelBufferIOSurfacePropertiesKey: []],
    pixelBufferOut: pixelBuffer)
```

CVPixelBufferPools use this trick

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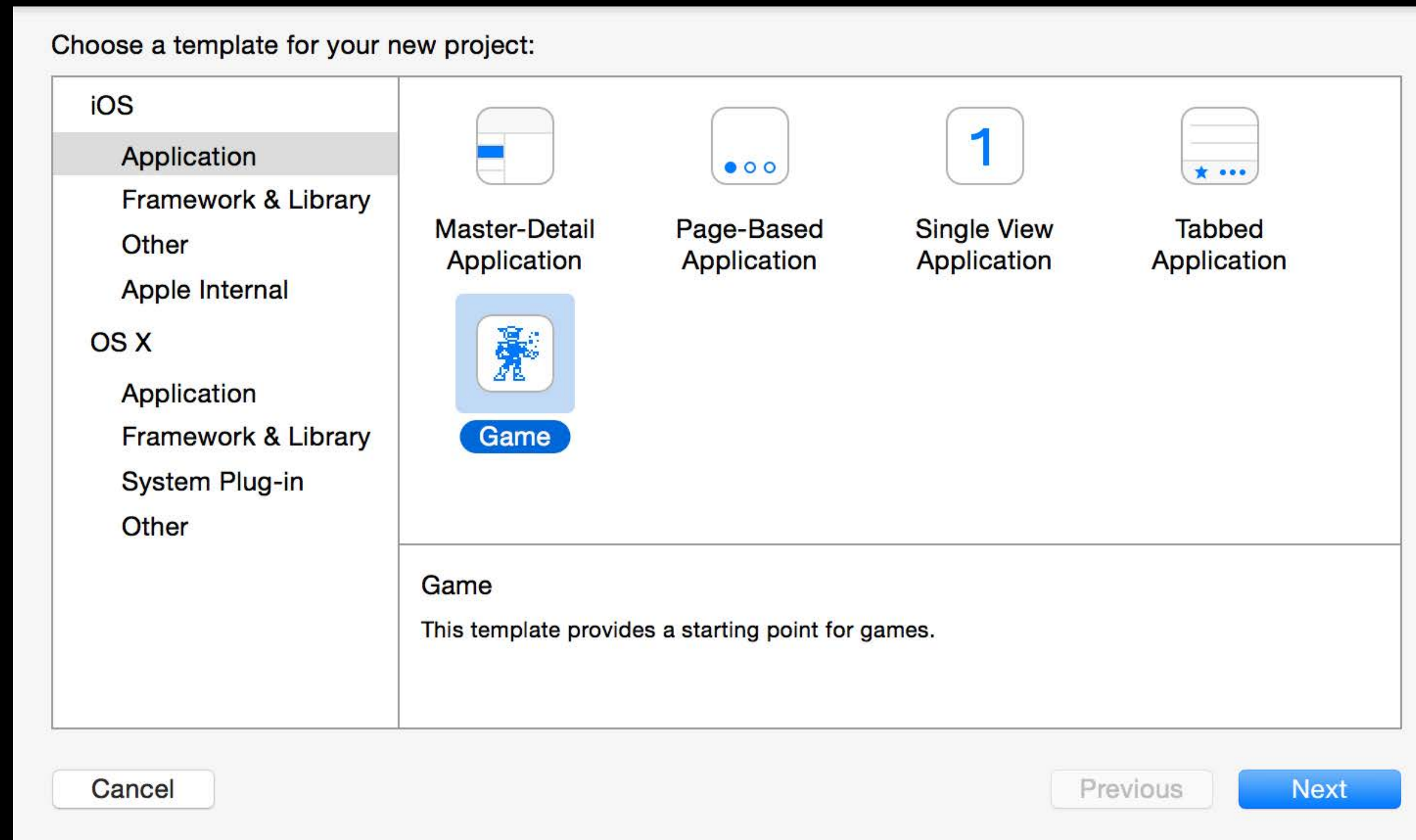
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Core Image and SpriteKit

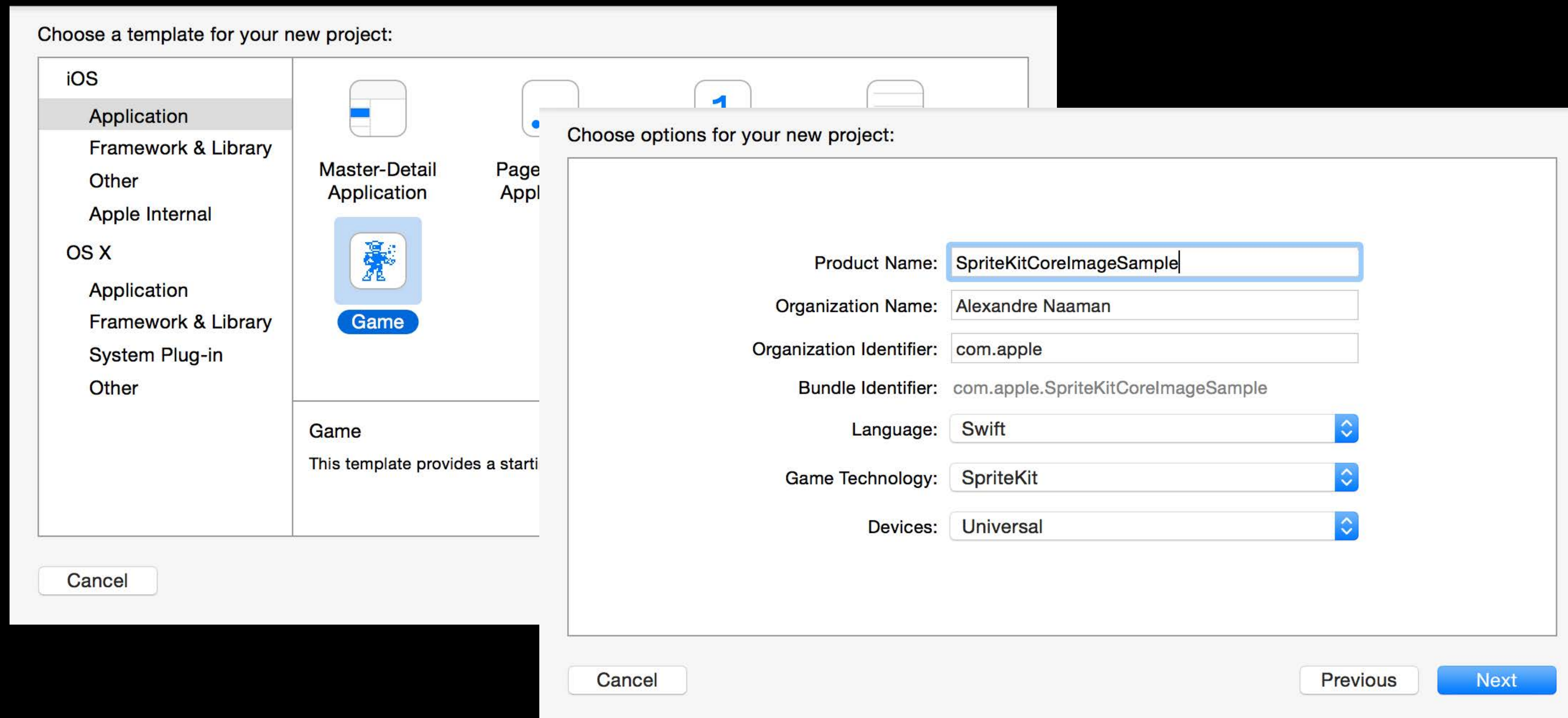
SpriteKit

In Xcode create a new SpriteKit game template (for OS X or iOS)



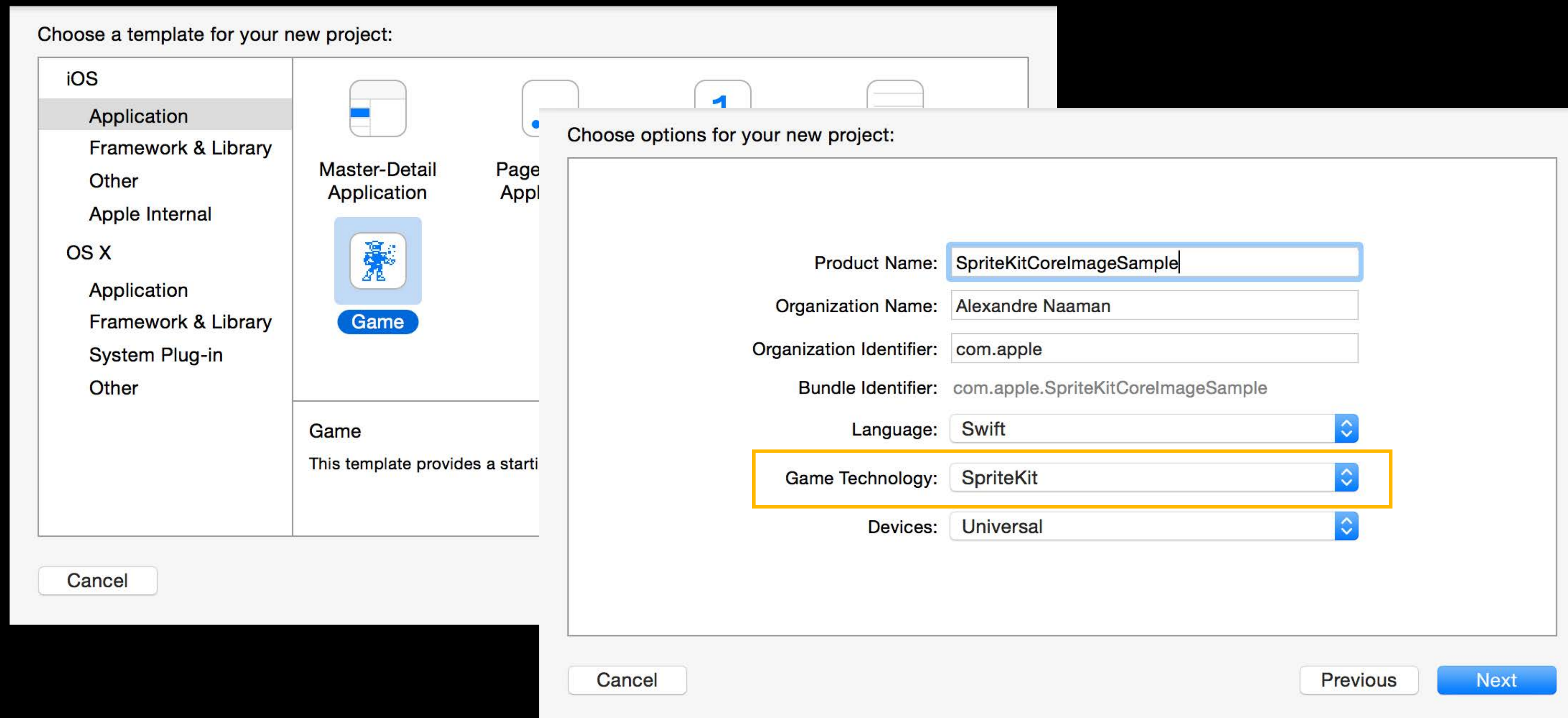
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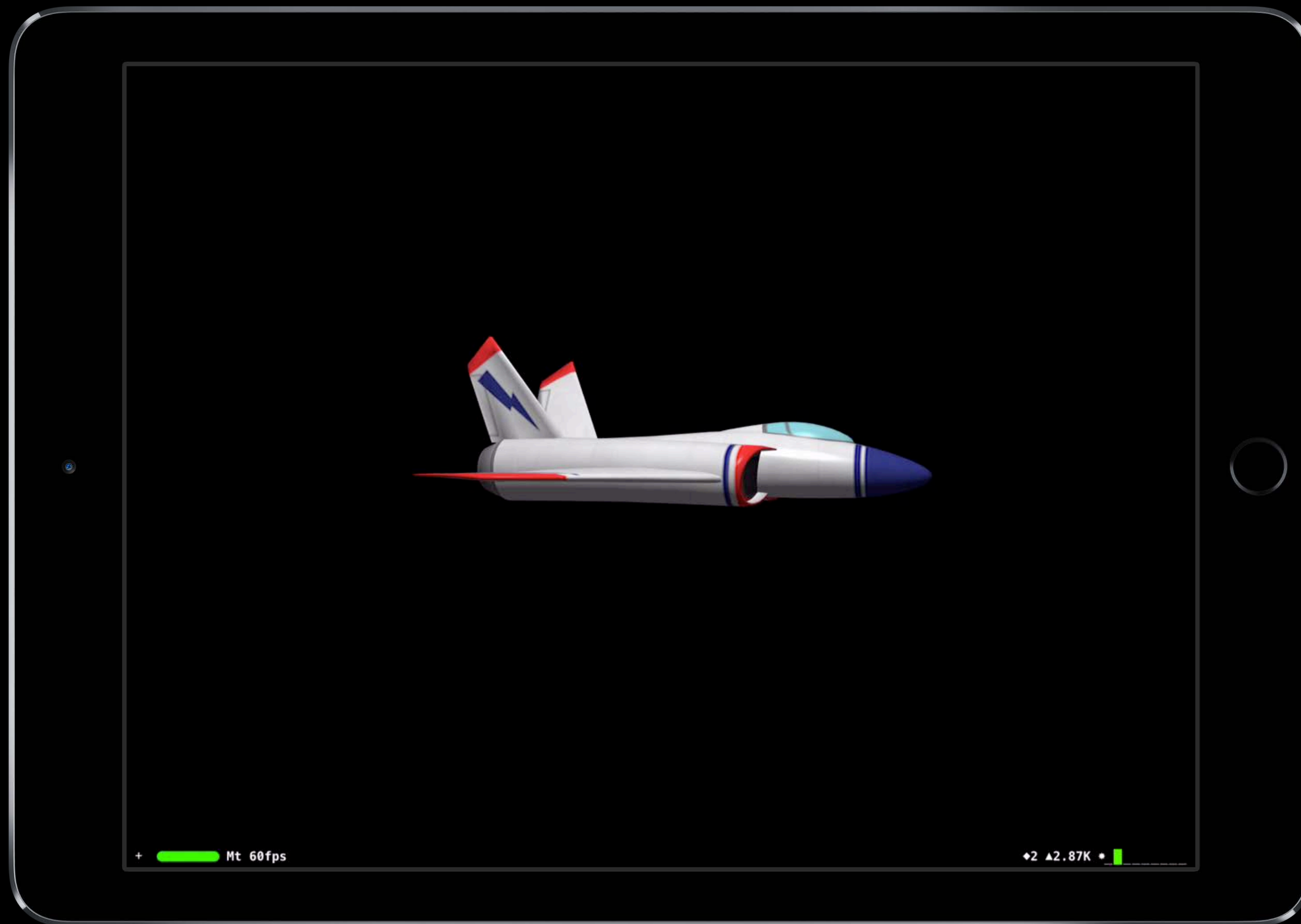
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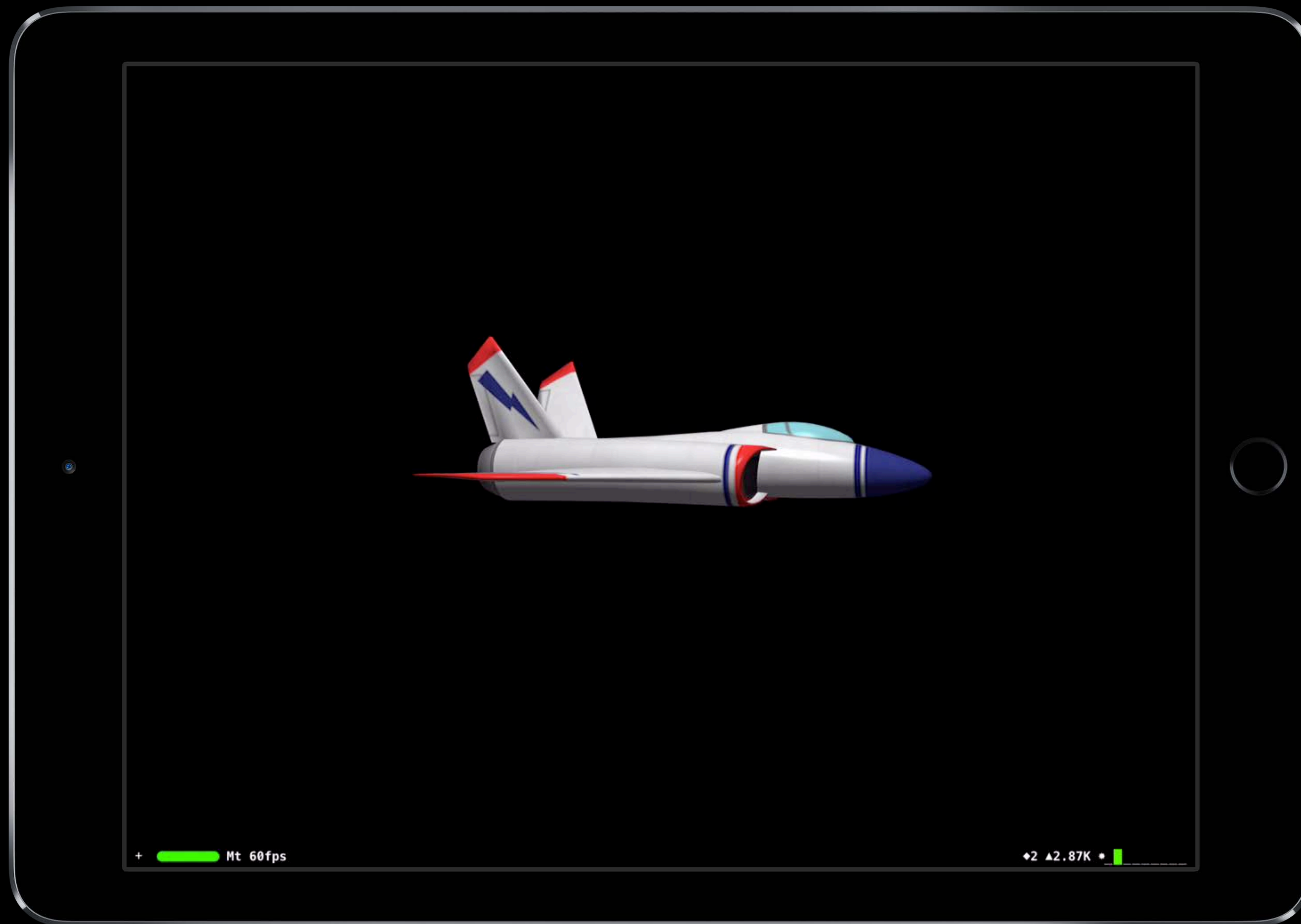
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ship.filters = [pixellate]
```





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Filter properties on are animatable with Core Animation

```
let animation = CABasicAnimation(keyPath:
                                "filters.\(pixellate.name).\\(kCIInputScaleKey)")
animation.toValue = 50
animation.fromValue = 0
animation.autoreverses = true
animation.repeatCount = FLT_MAX
animation.duration = 2.0
animation.timingFunction = CAMediaTimingFunction(name:
                                                kCAMediaTimingFunctionEaseInEaseOut)
ship.addAnimation(animation, forKey: nil)
```



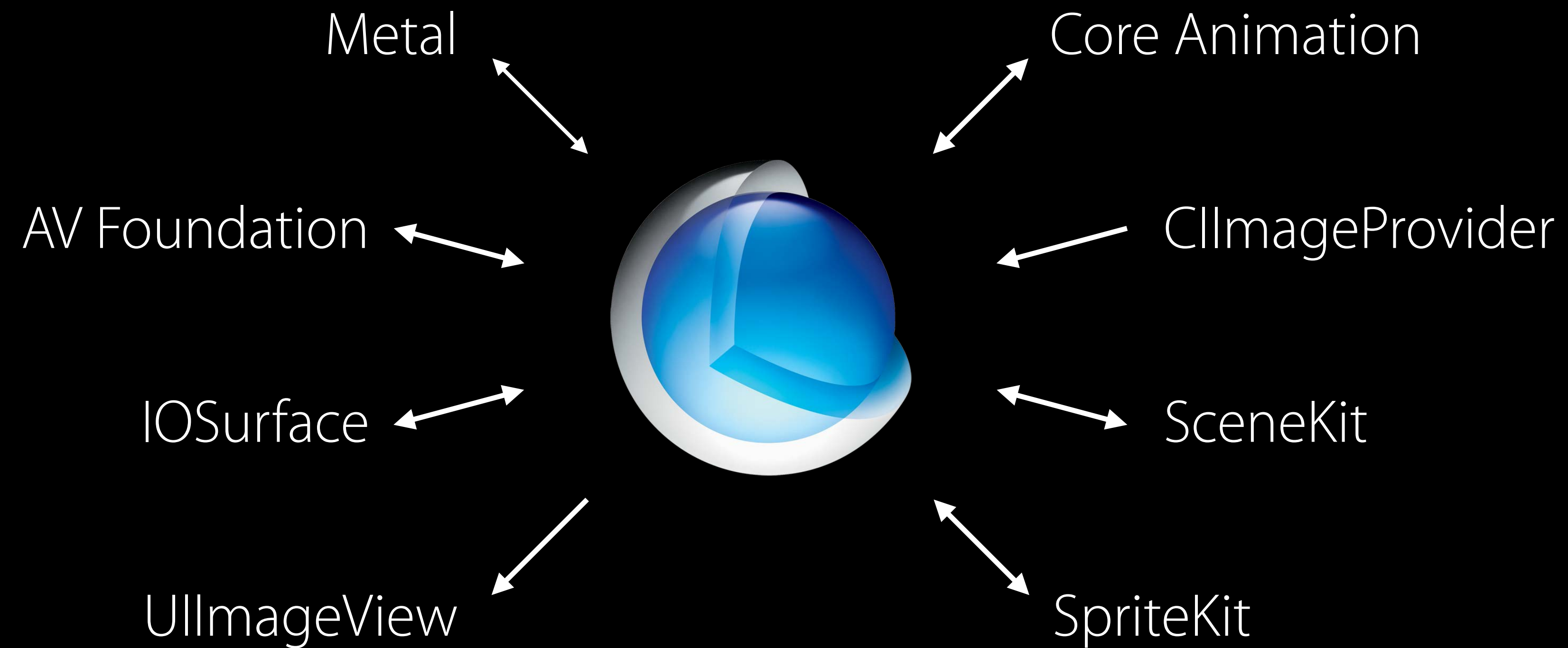






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