What's New in Game Center

Session 504

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What Is Game Center?

- Track and share scores and achievements
- Apple-hosted, turn-based multiplayer
- Multiplayer matchmaking
- Real-time multiplayer support
- Available on iOS and OS X





What You Will Learn

- Game Center In-Game
- Leaderboard Sets
- Most Recent Score Leaderboards
- Improved Security
- Challenges
- Fundamental API Changes



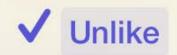




Temple Run 2

Done





Tap to rate this game



Leaderboards Achievements

Challenges

4 Leaderboards



High Scores #18 of 23 friends



High Score, no Save Me! #18 of 18 friends

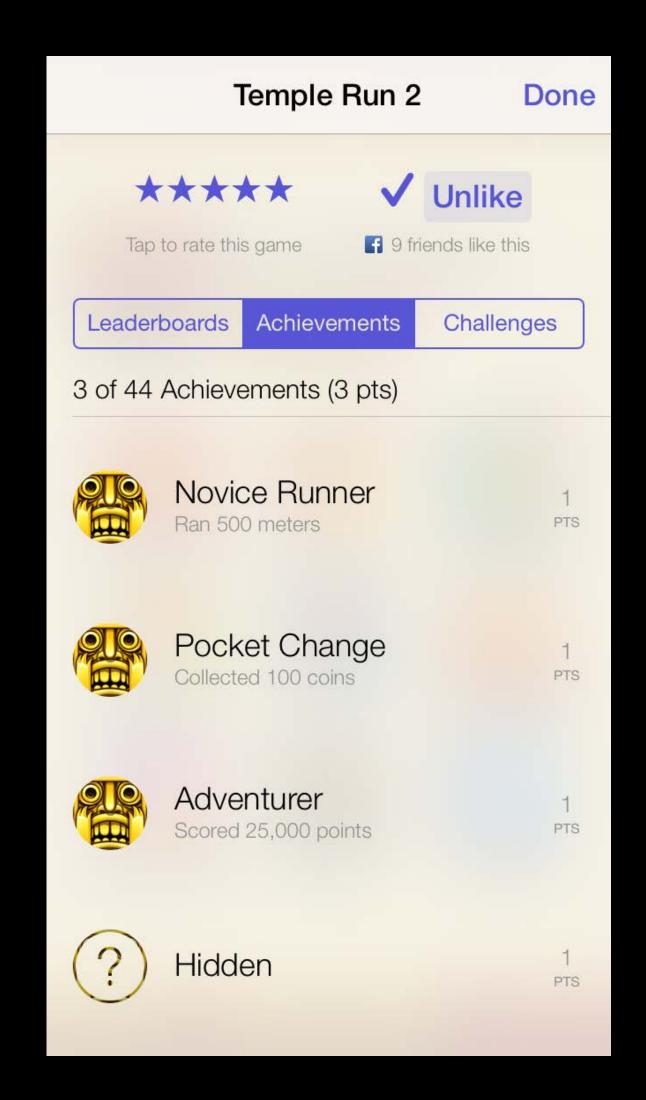


Distance Run #14 of 23 friends

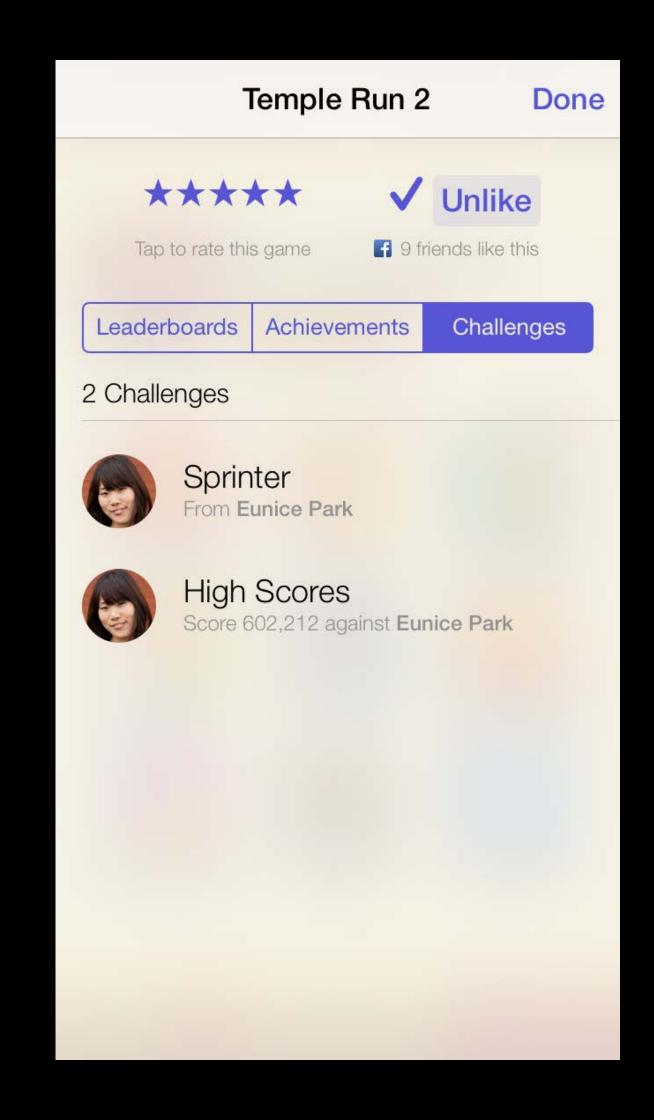


Coins Collected #18 of 23 friends









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    // set the starting view state
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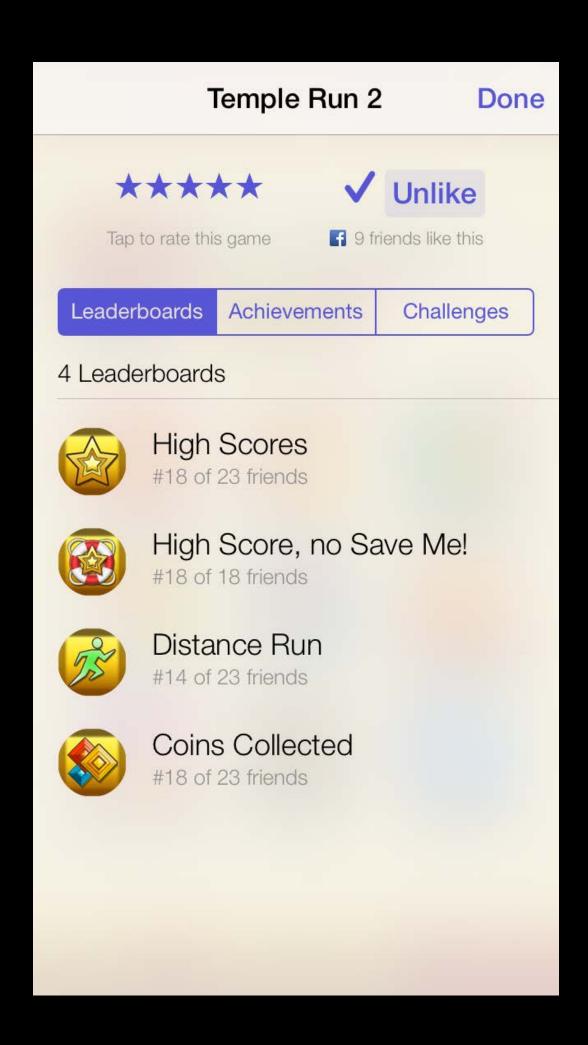
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Leaderboards

Previous

Max Leaderboards	25	
Organization	Flat	

Leaderboards



	Previous	Now	
Max Leaderboards	25	100	
Organization	Flat	Flat	

Leaderboards



	Previous	Now	Now with Sets
Max Leaderboards	25	100	500
Organization	Flat	Flat	Leaderboard Sets
Max Sets			100
Leaderboards per Set			100

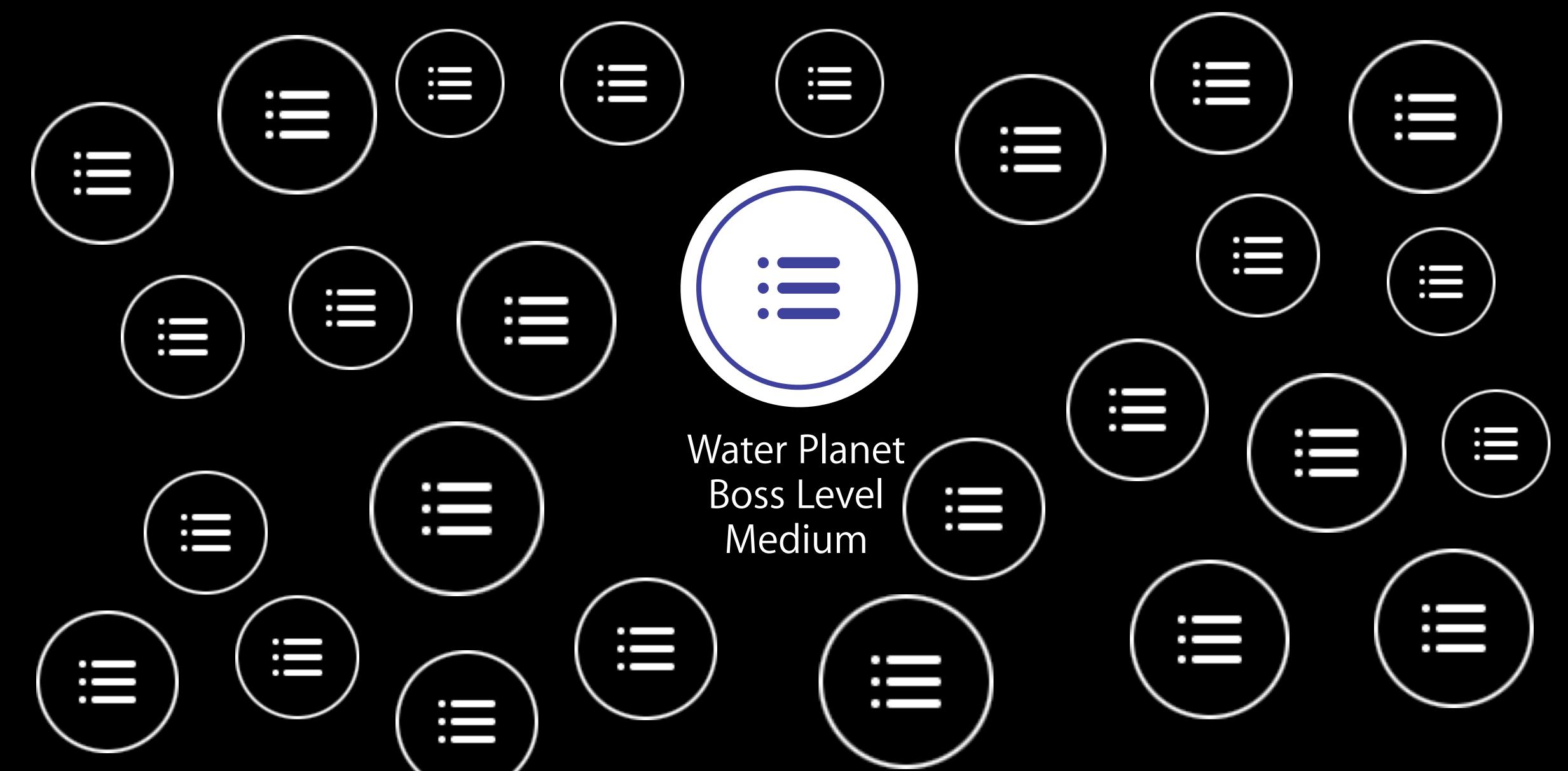




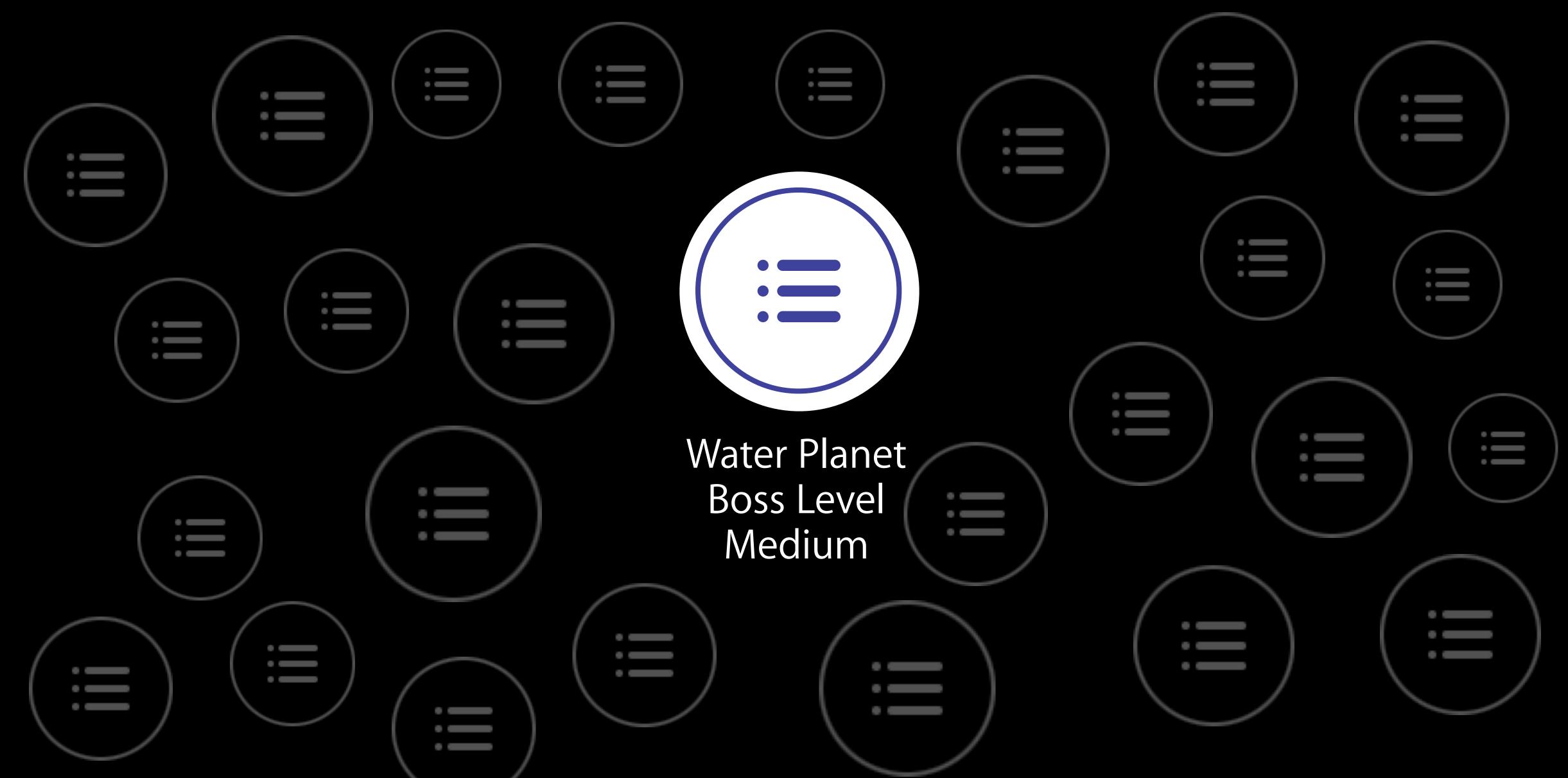




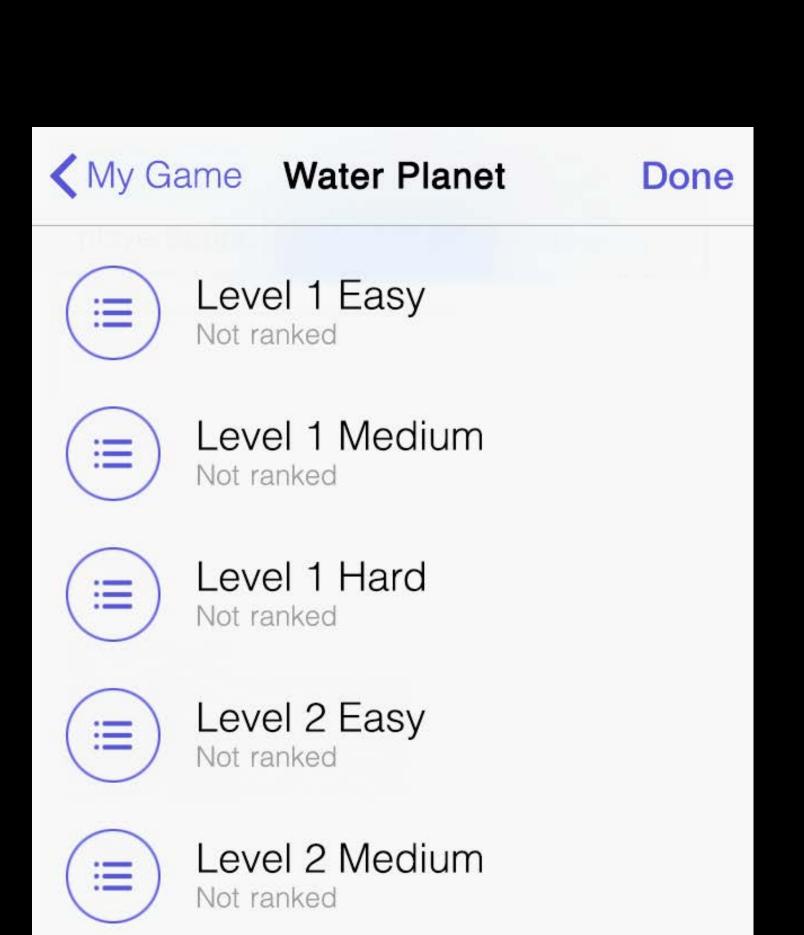








My Game Done Leaderboards Achievements Challenges 6 Leaderboard Sets Water Planet \equiv 8 Leaderboards Water Boss 3 Leaderboards Fire Planet 2 Leaderboards Fire Boss \equiv 5 Leaderboards Easy \equiv 4 Leaderboards Medium 6 Leaderboards



Level 2 Hard

Level 3 Easy Not ranked

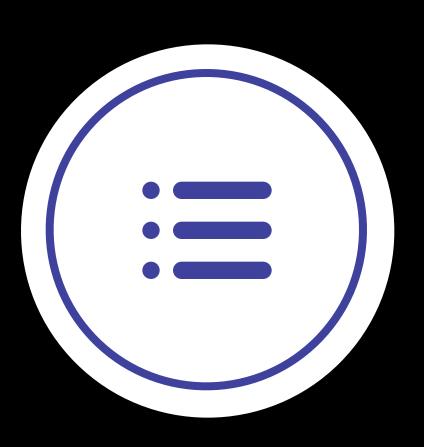
Level 3 Medium

Not ranked

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Water Planet



- Water Planet
- Boss Level for Planet



- Water Planet
- Boss Level for Planet
- Medium Difficulty









Water Planet Water Boss Set



Set



Medium Set



Set



Water Planet Water Boss Set



Medium Set



- Sets have names (just like leaderboards)
- Leaderboard name can change depending on set

























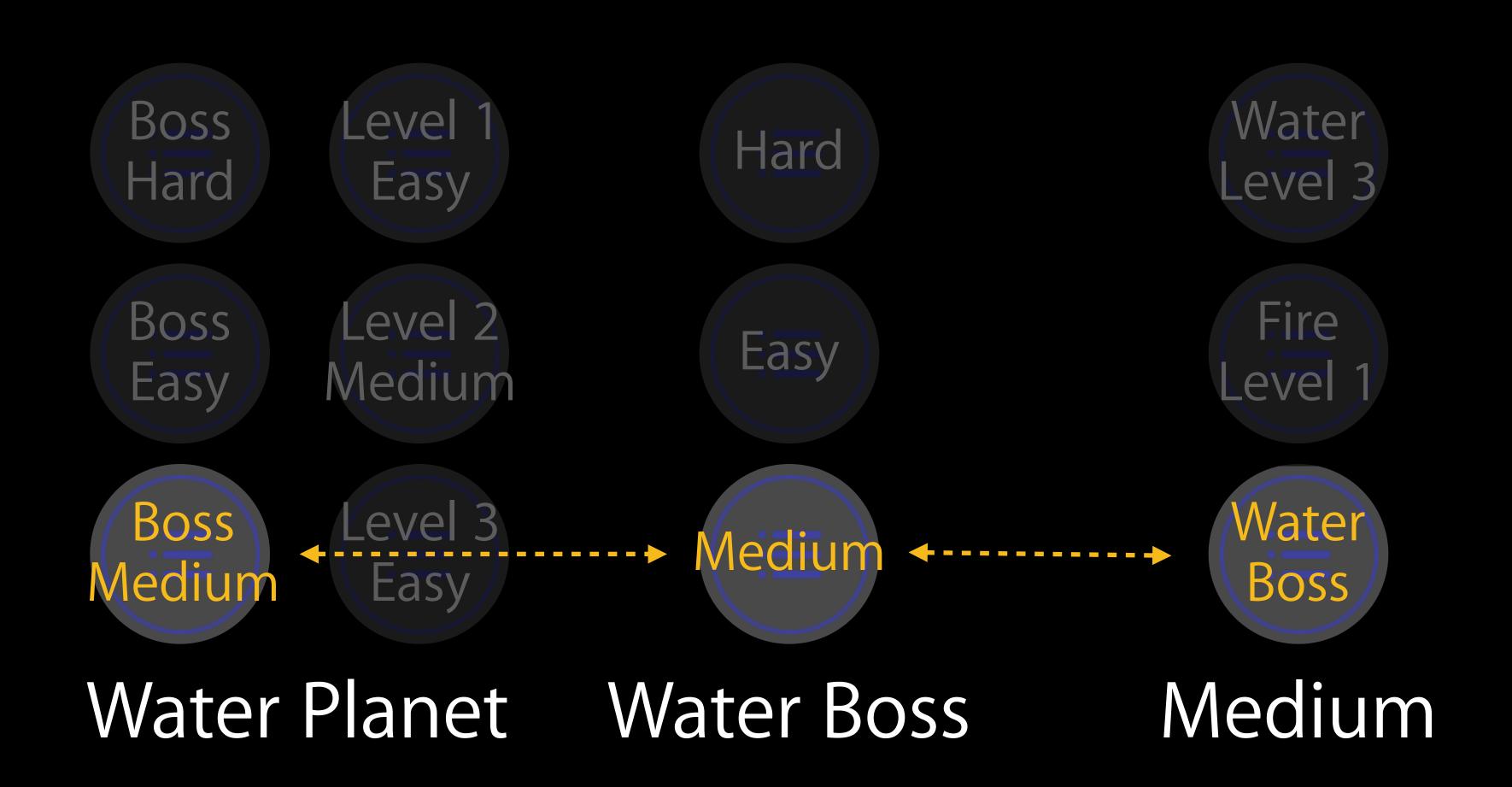












Leaderboards

Add Leaderboard

Move All Leaderboards into Display Sets

Delete Test Data

Leaderboards

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Using Leaderboard Sets Loading Leaderboard Set Images

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Leaderboard Sets

- Leaderboards tagged to sets
- One leaderboard to many sets
- Once enabled, all leaderboards must belong to a set

- Alternative to Best Score Leaderboards
- Ranking system entirely customizable
 - Win/Loss
 - Power Ranking
 - Batting Average

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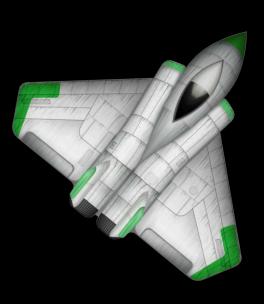


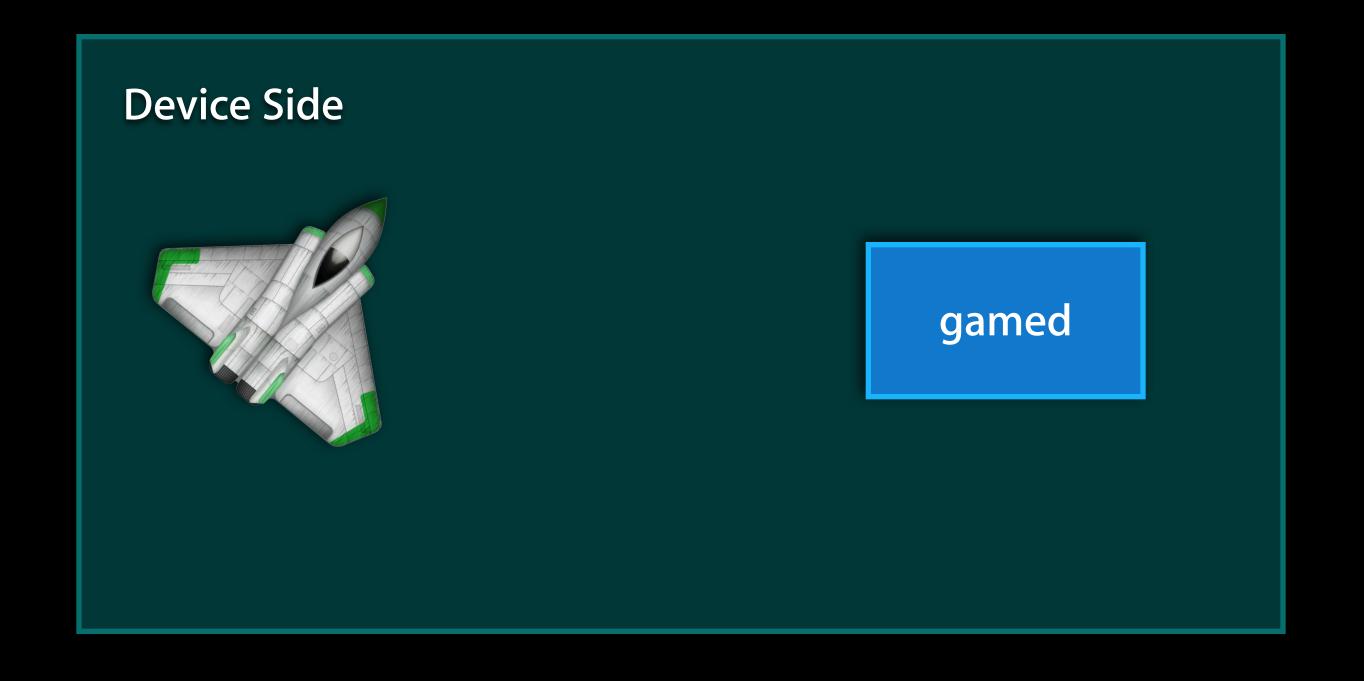
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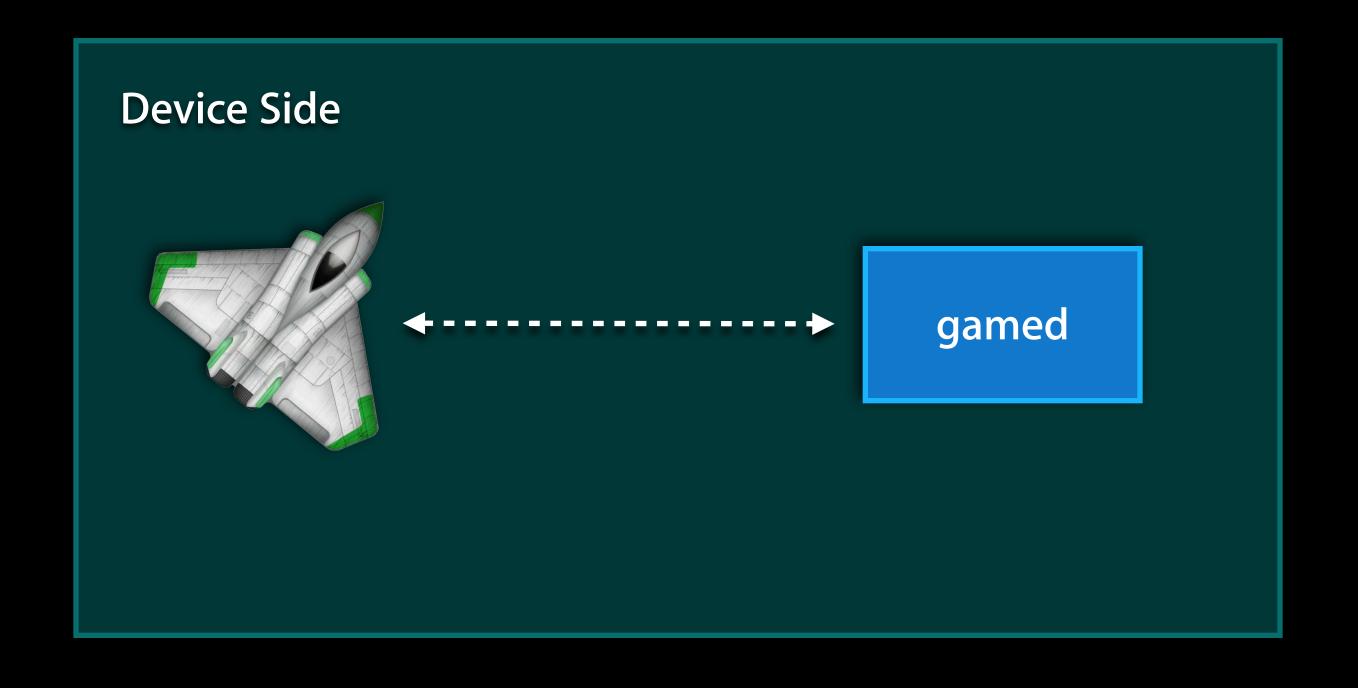


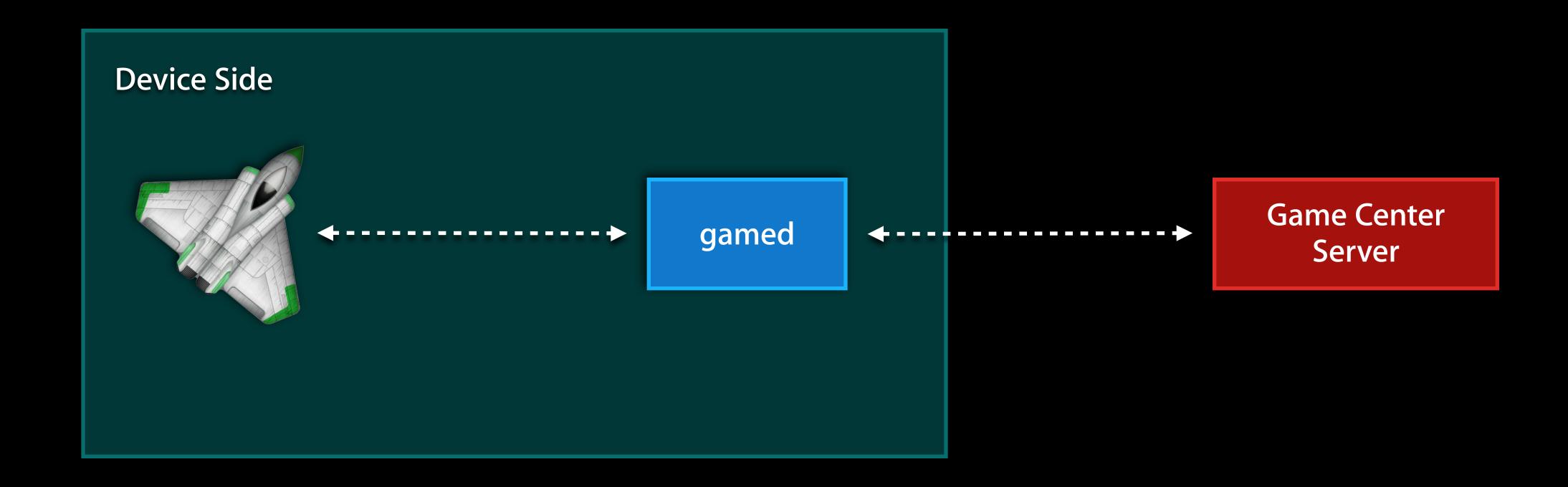


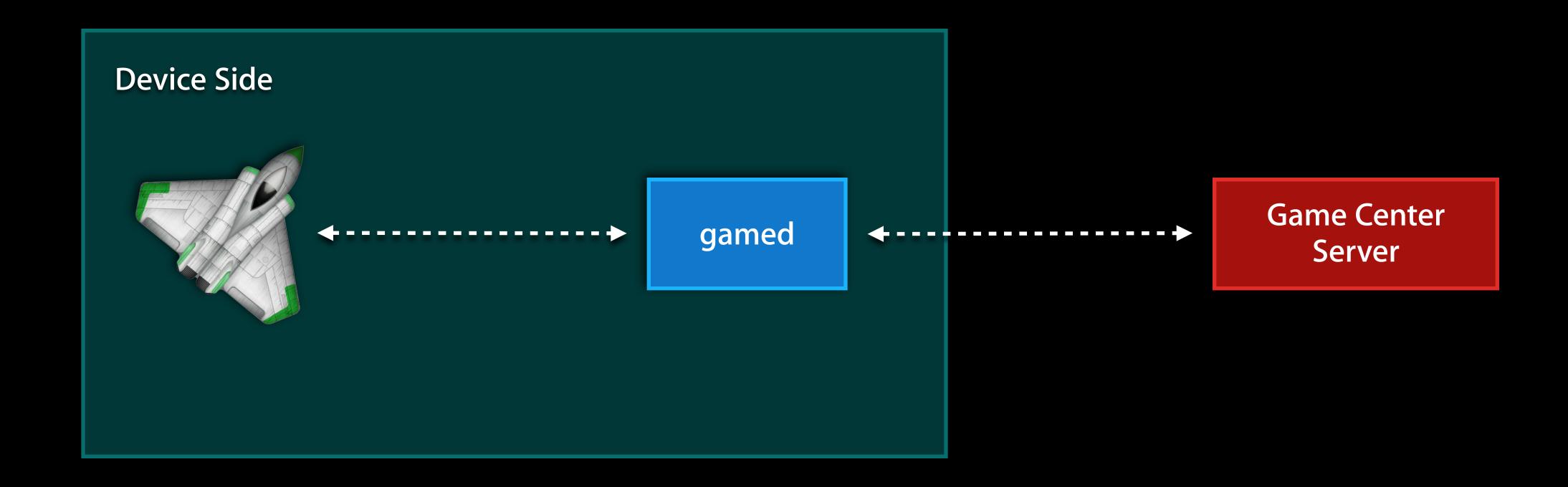


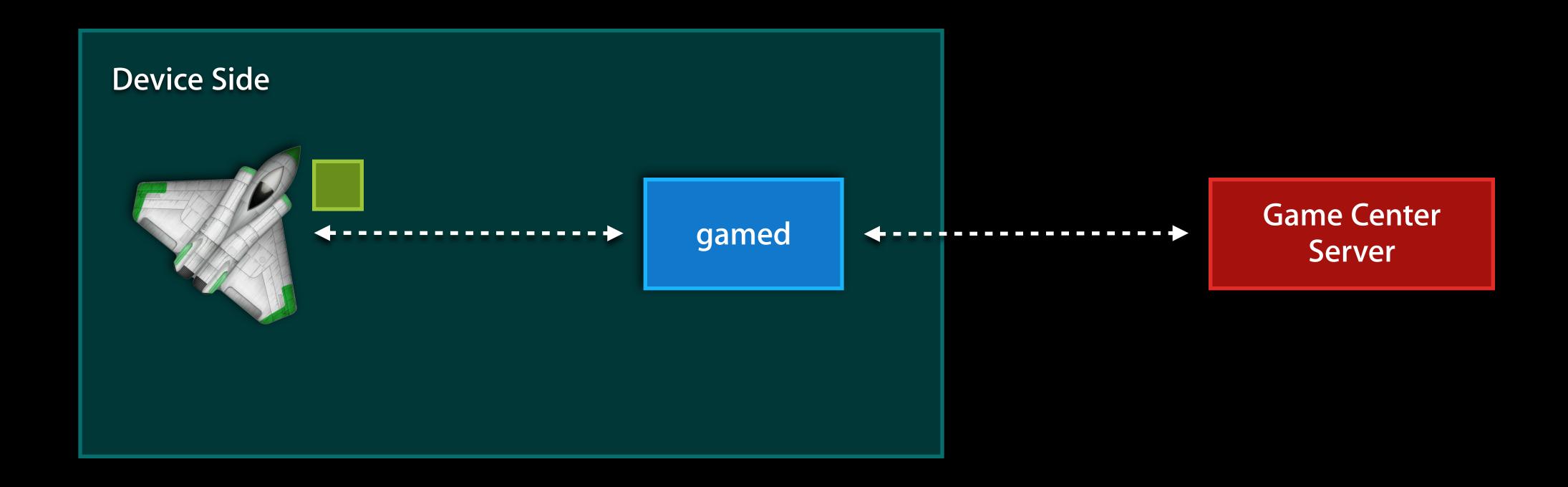


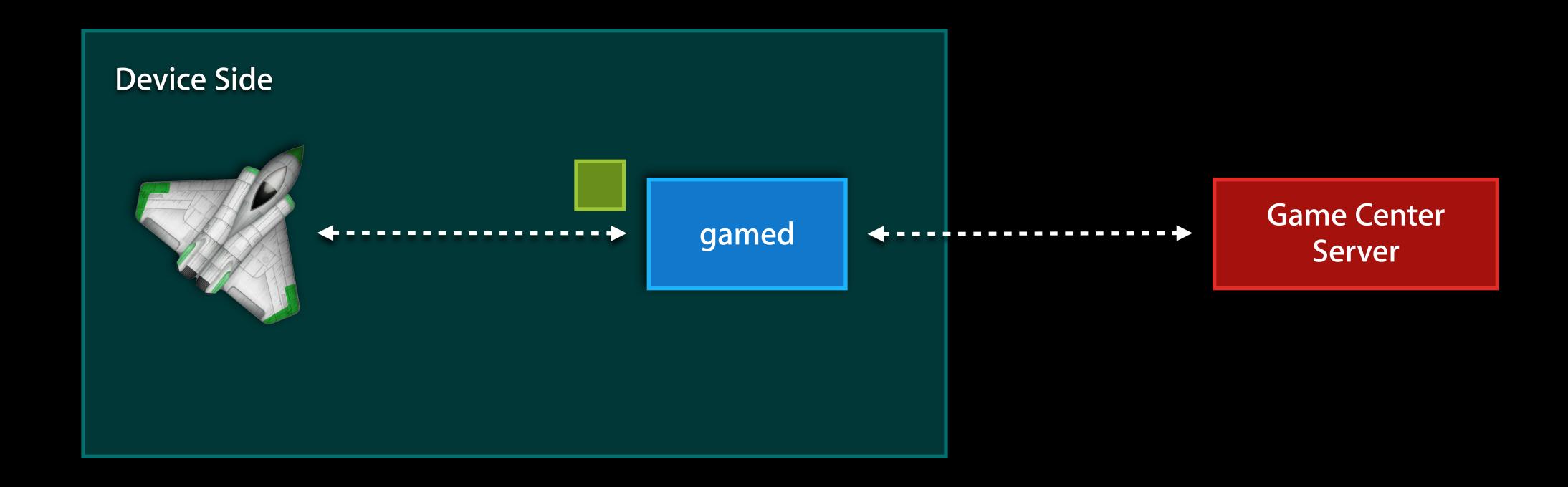


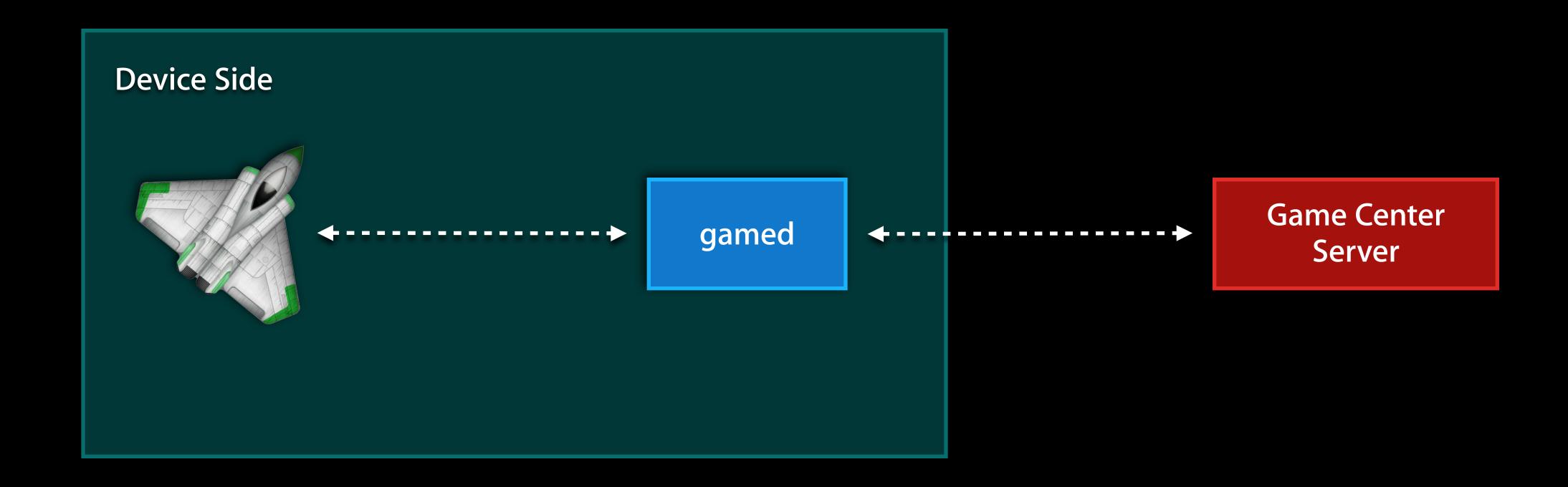


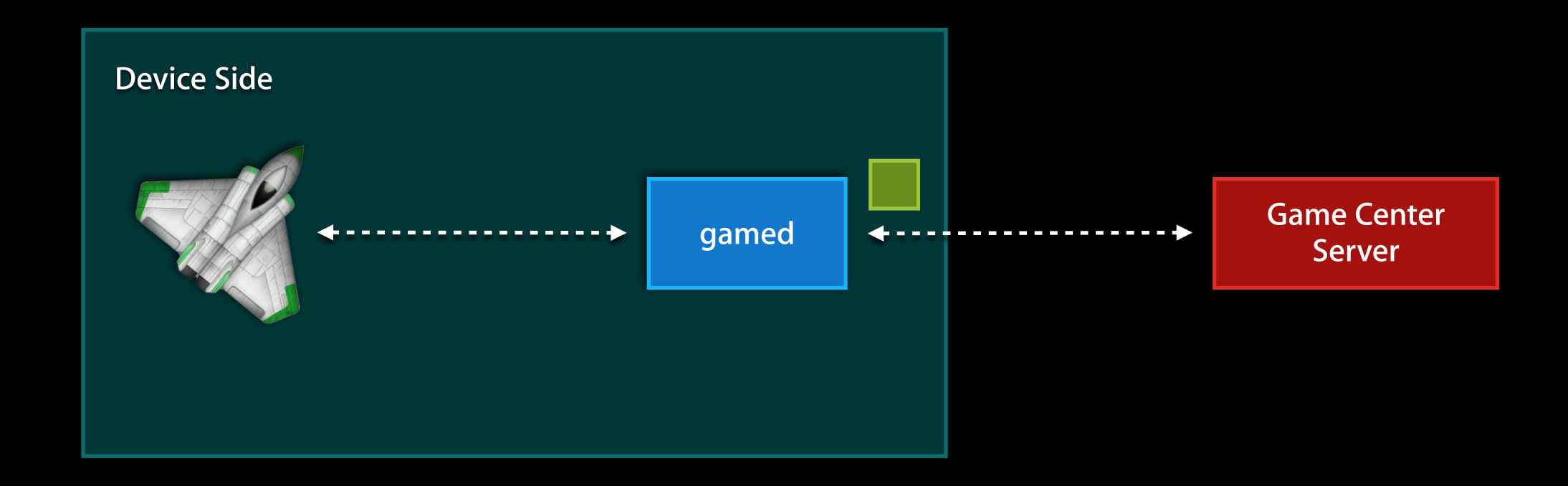


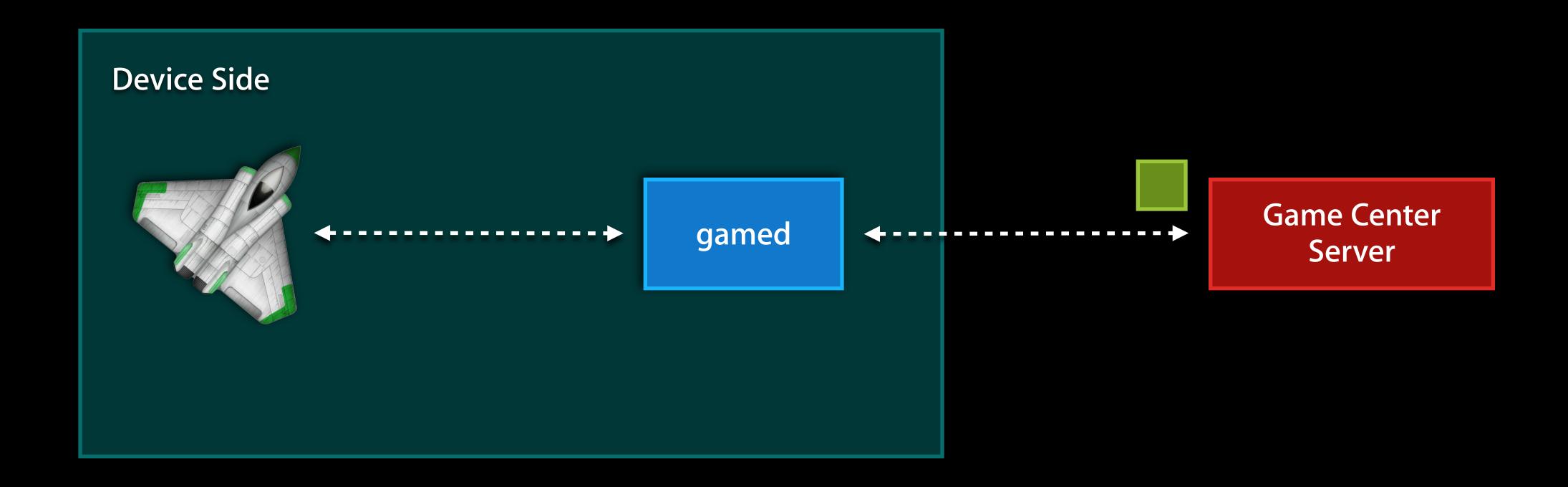


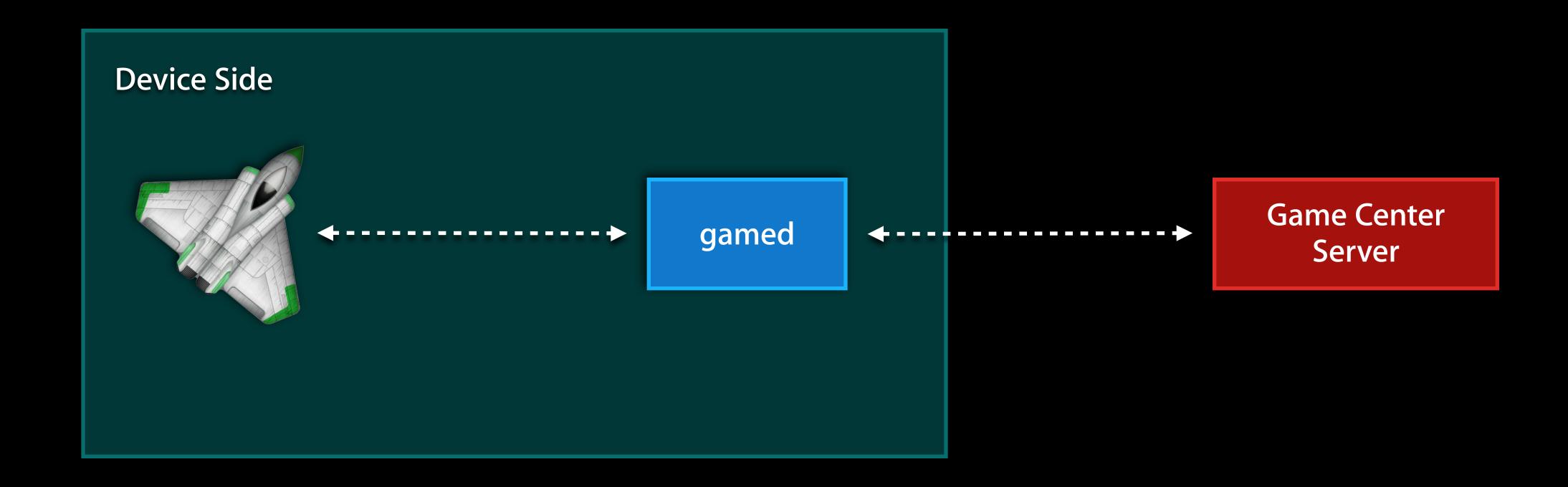


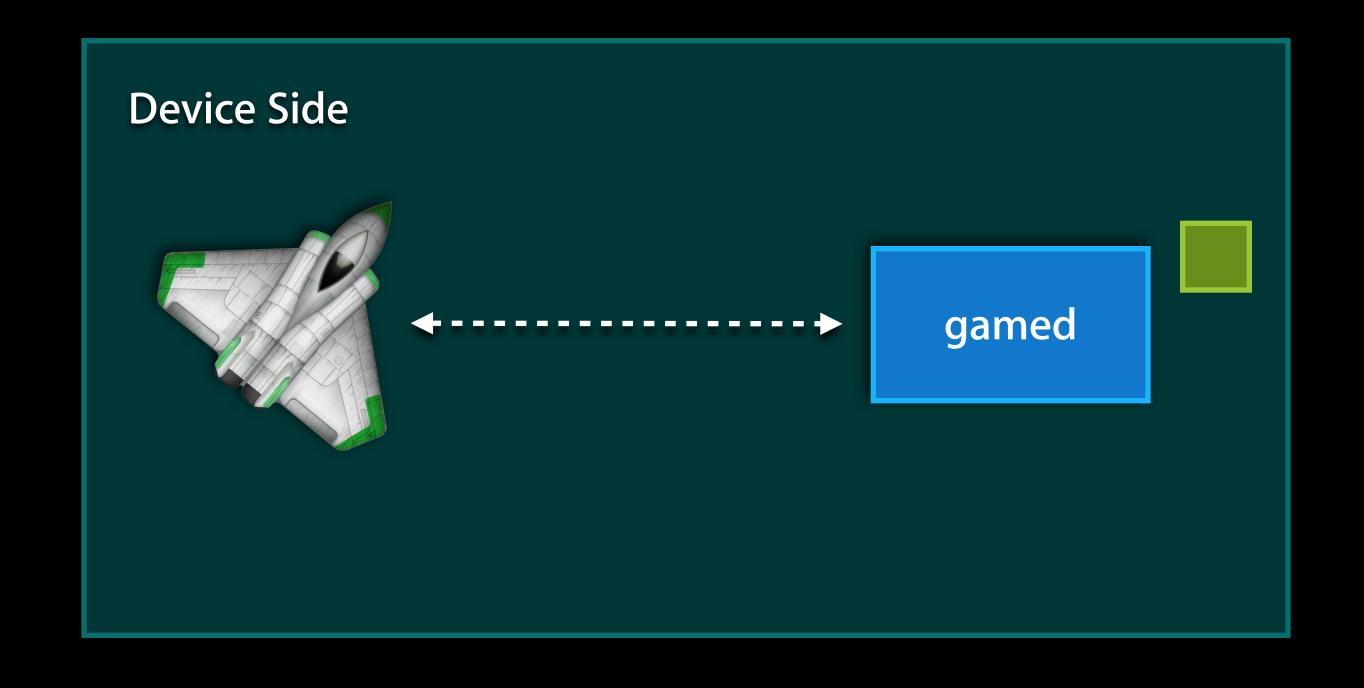


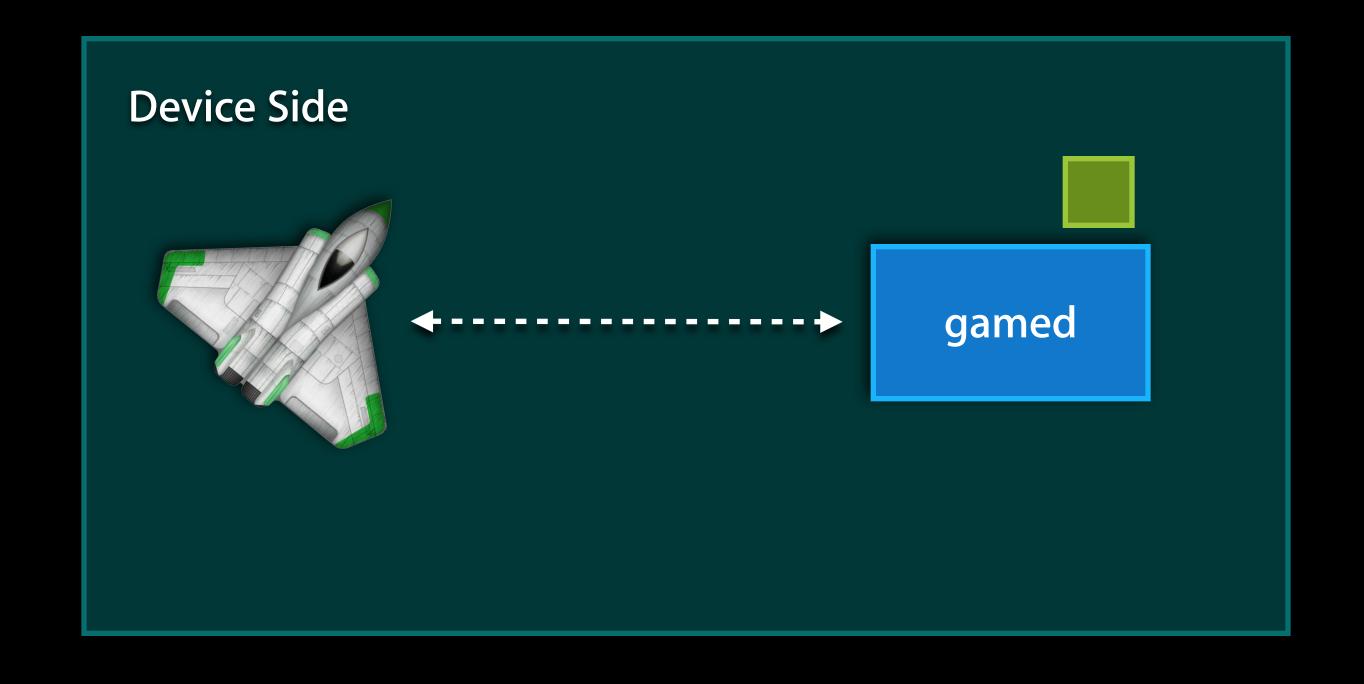


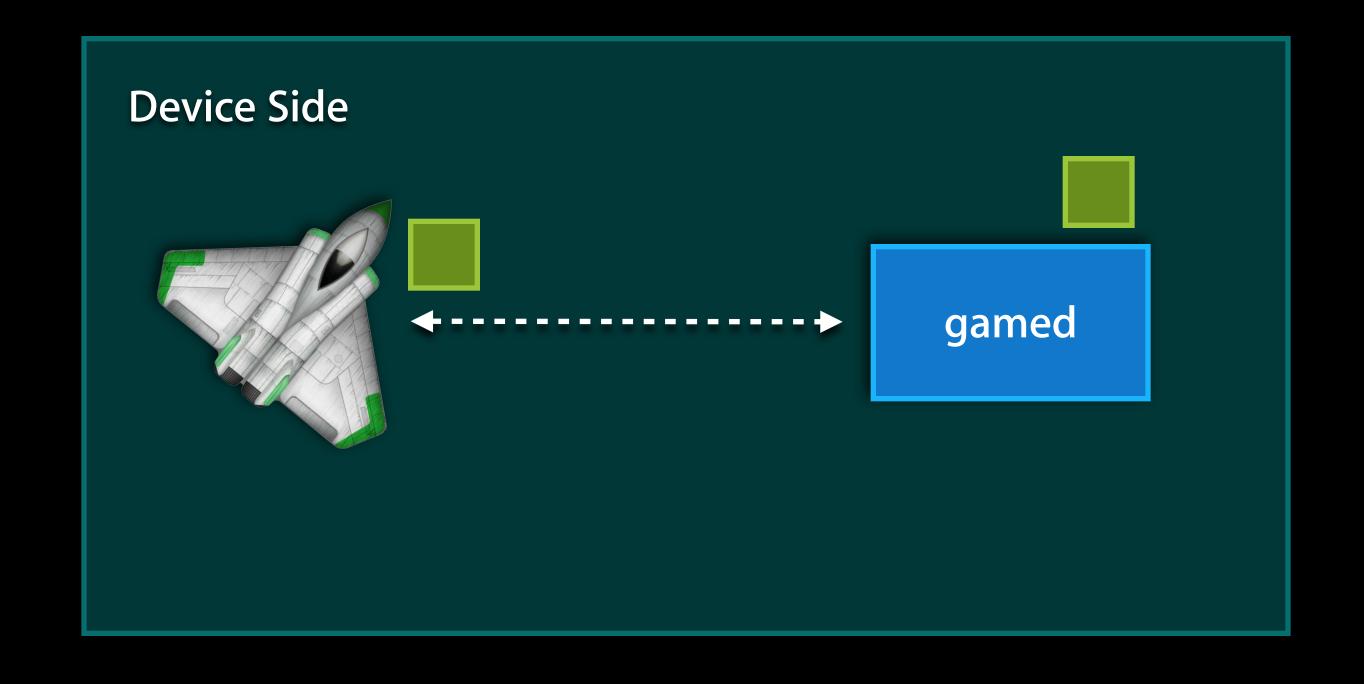


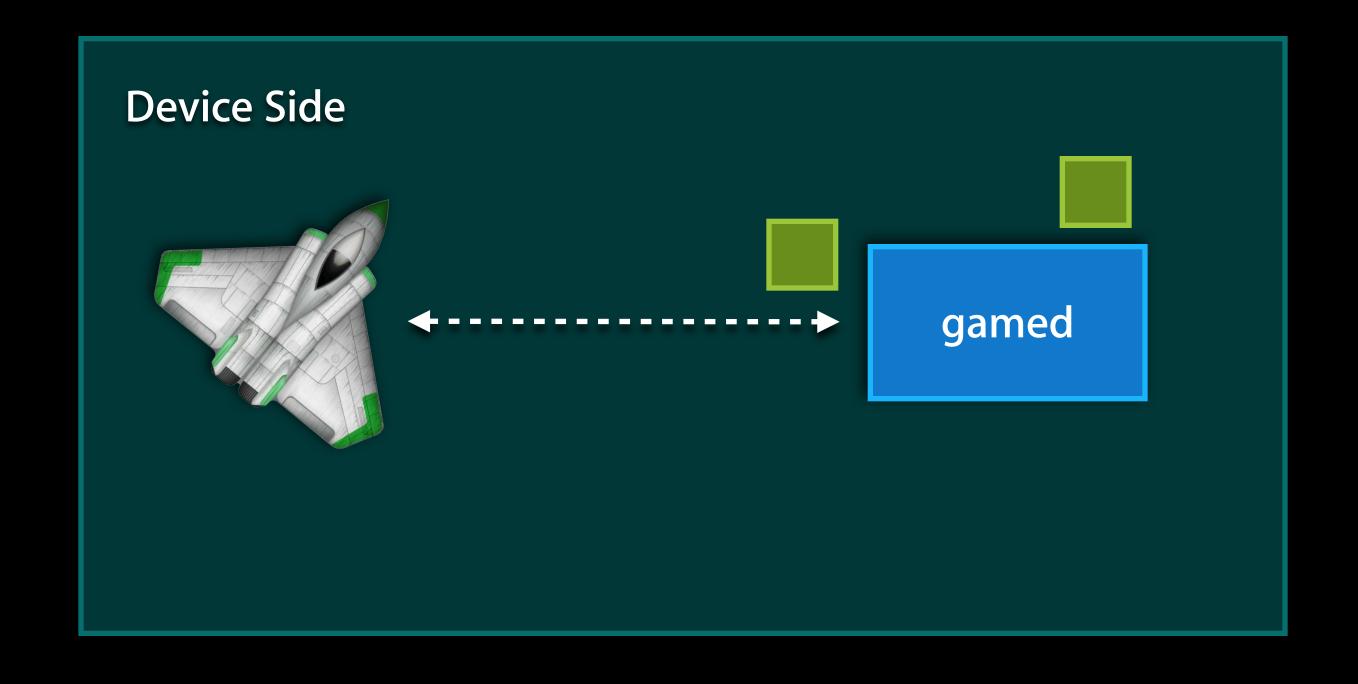


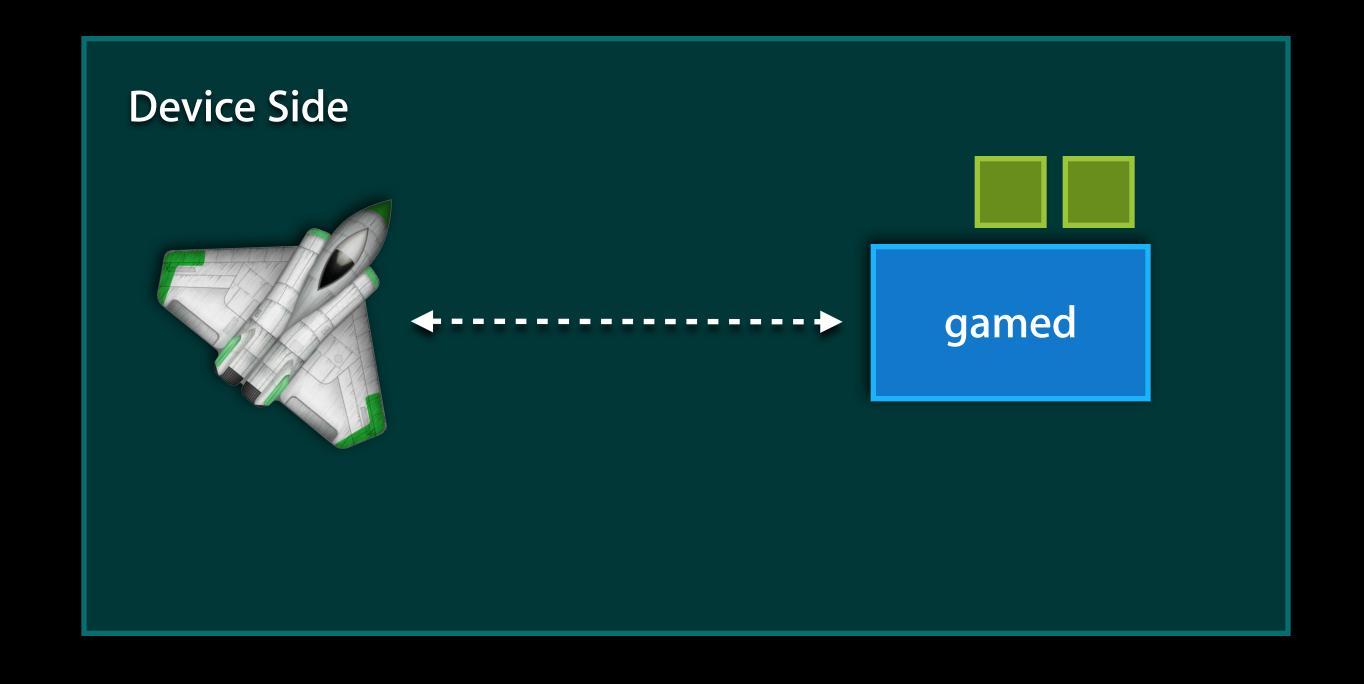


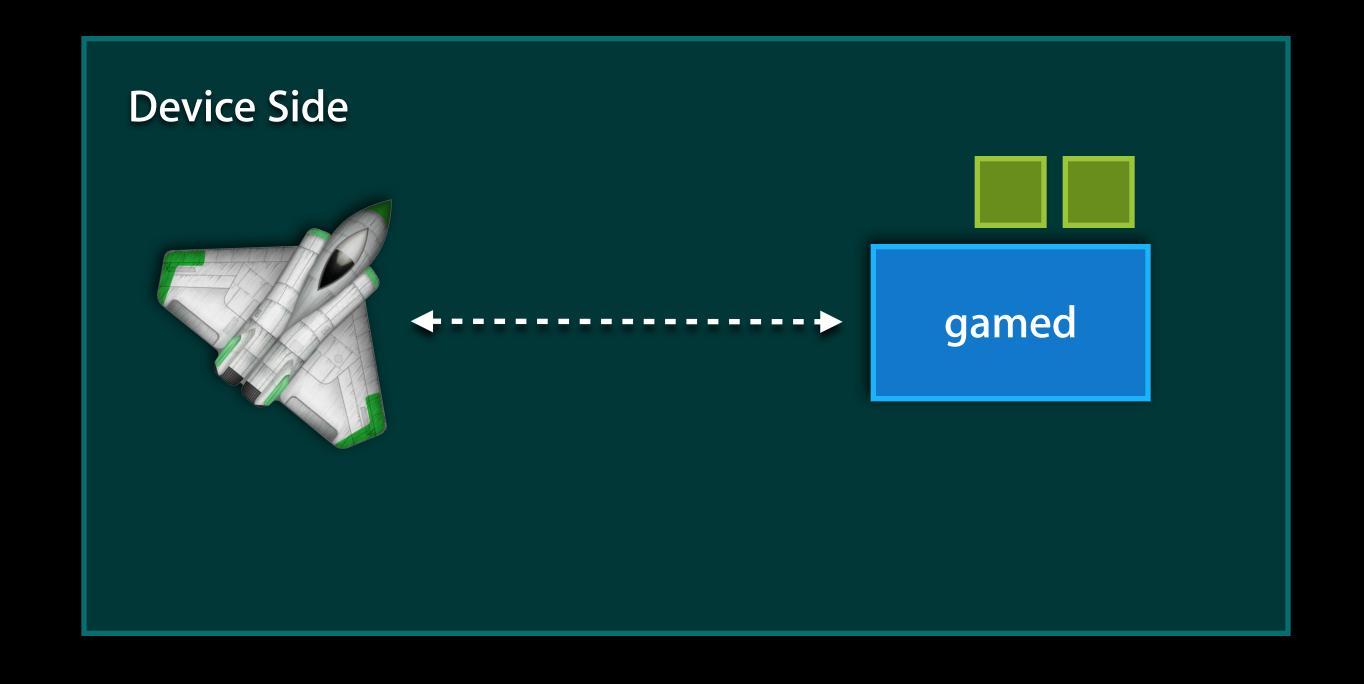


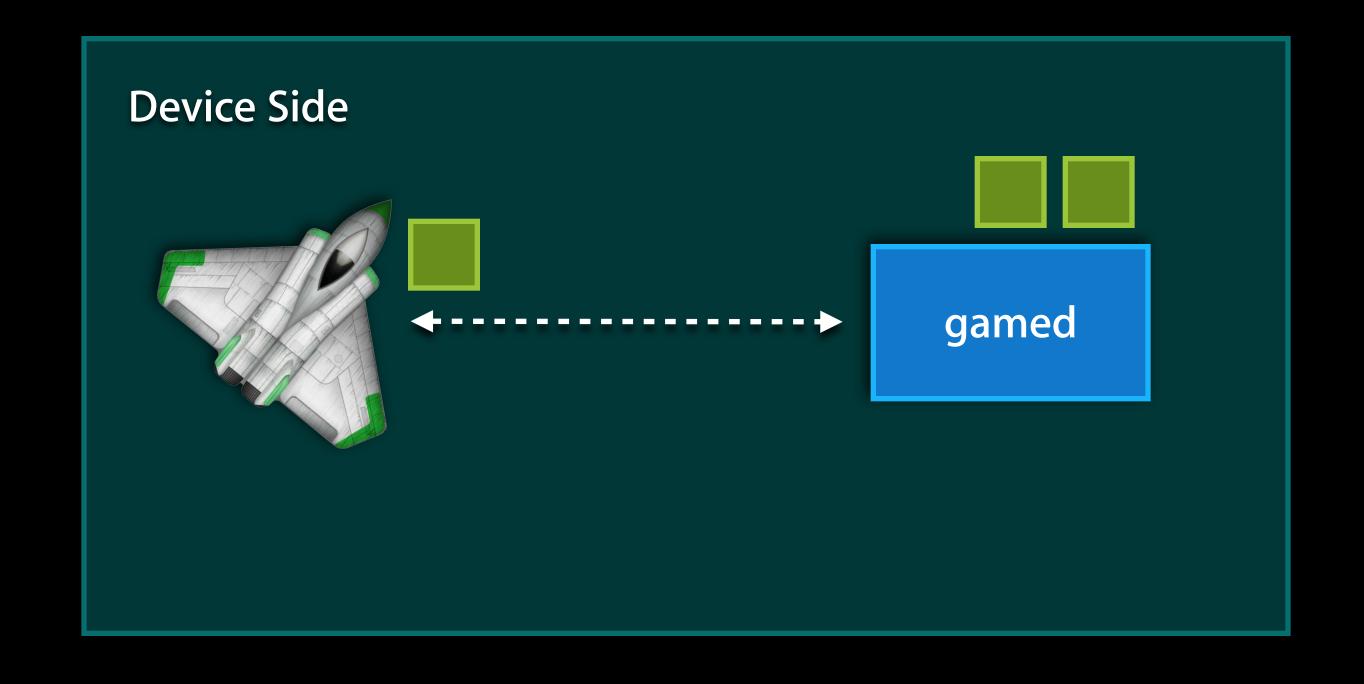


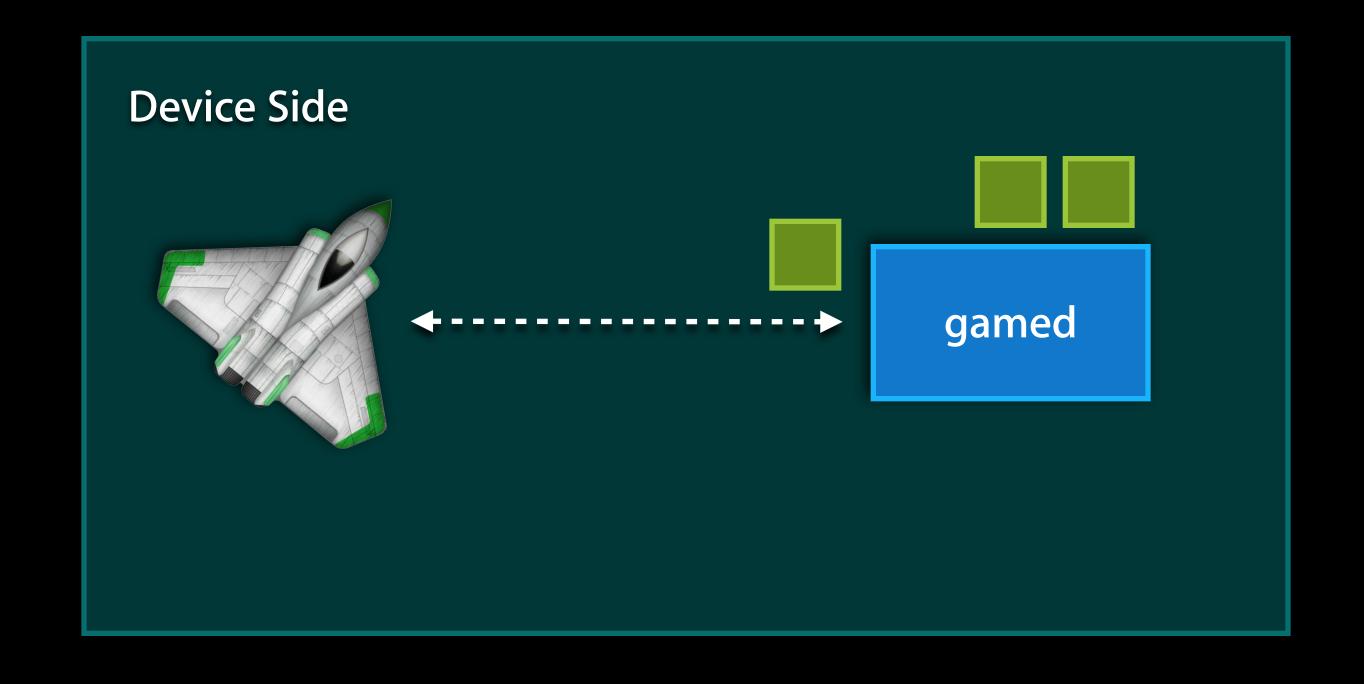


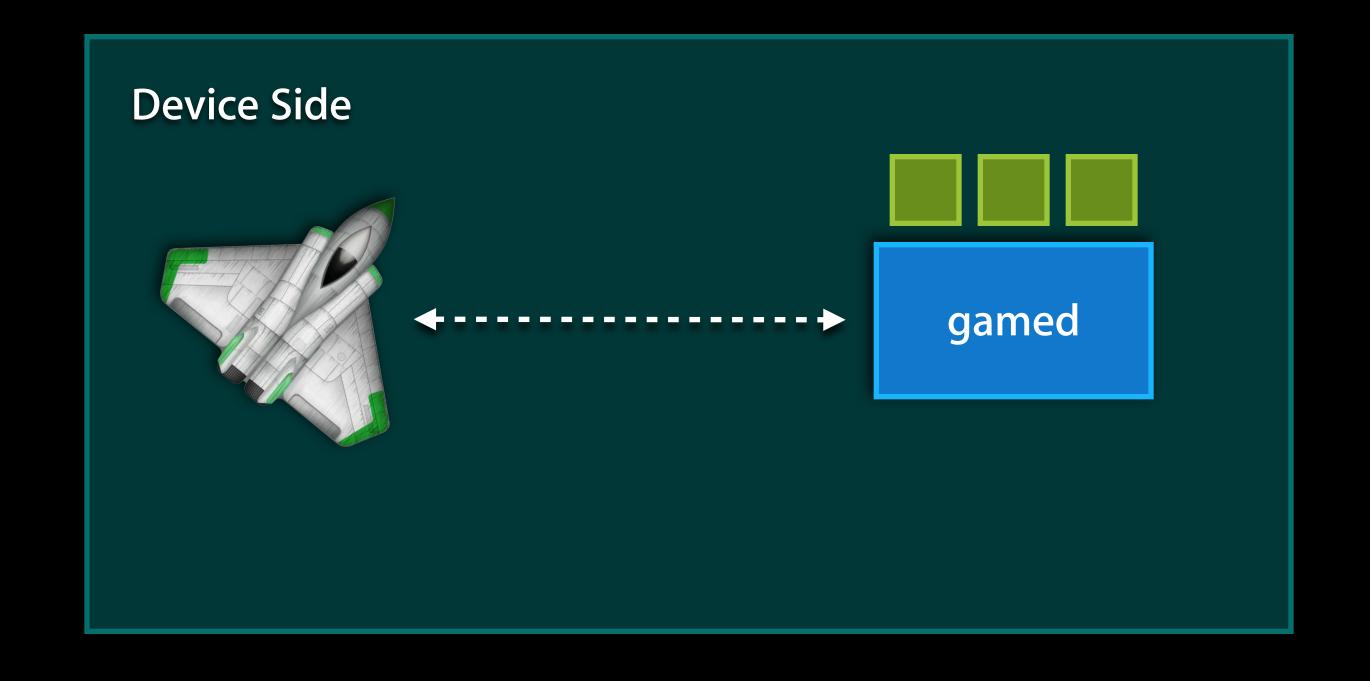


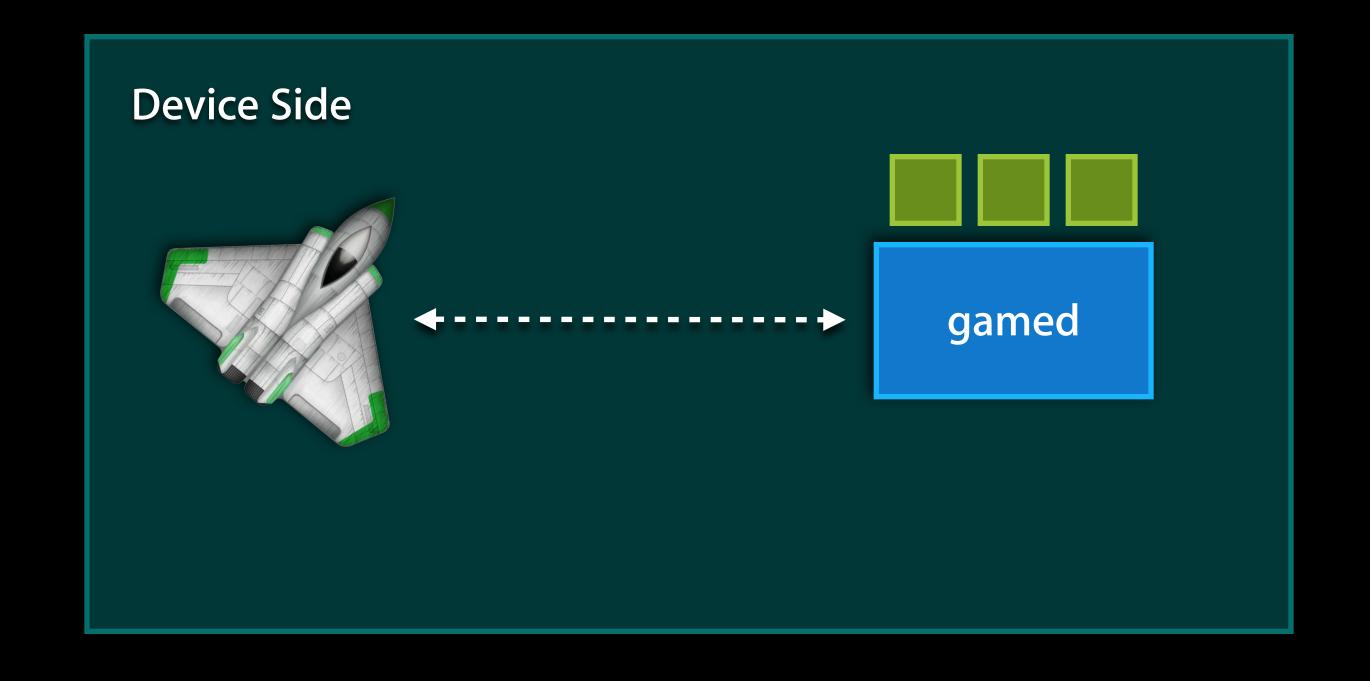


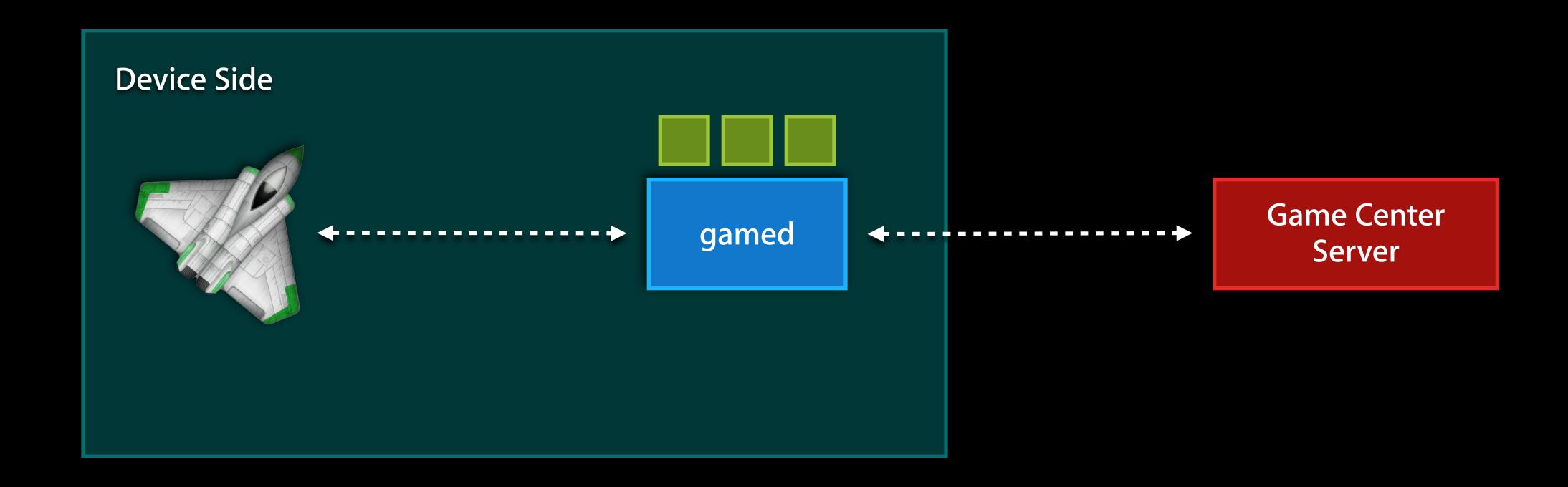


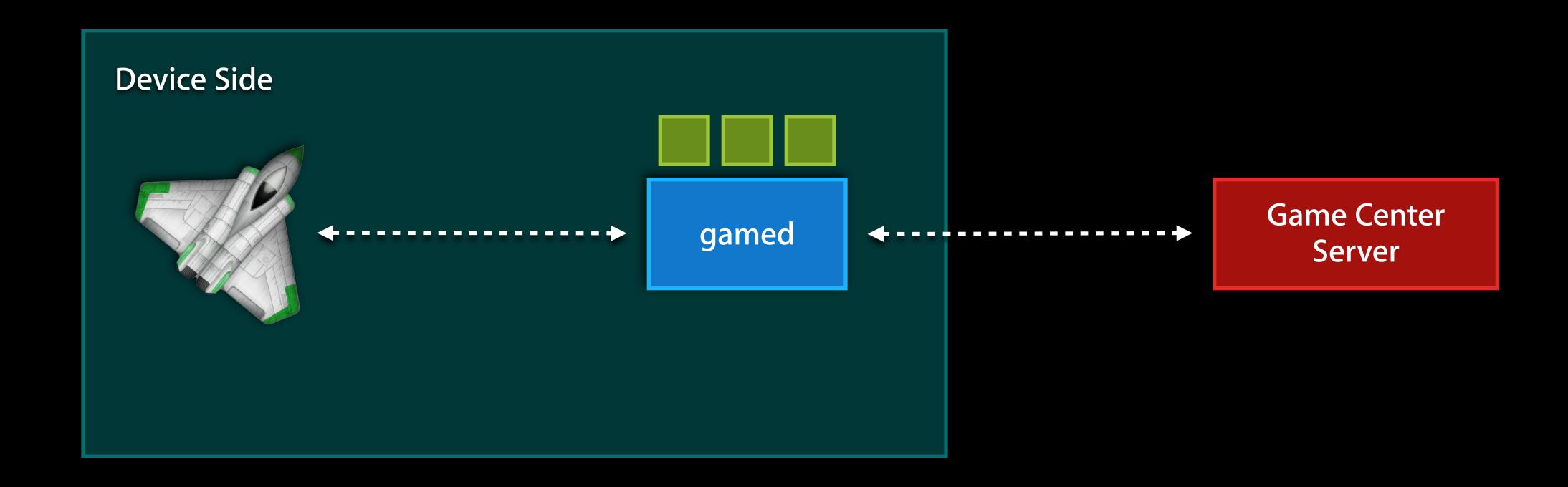


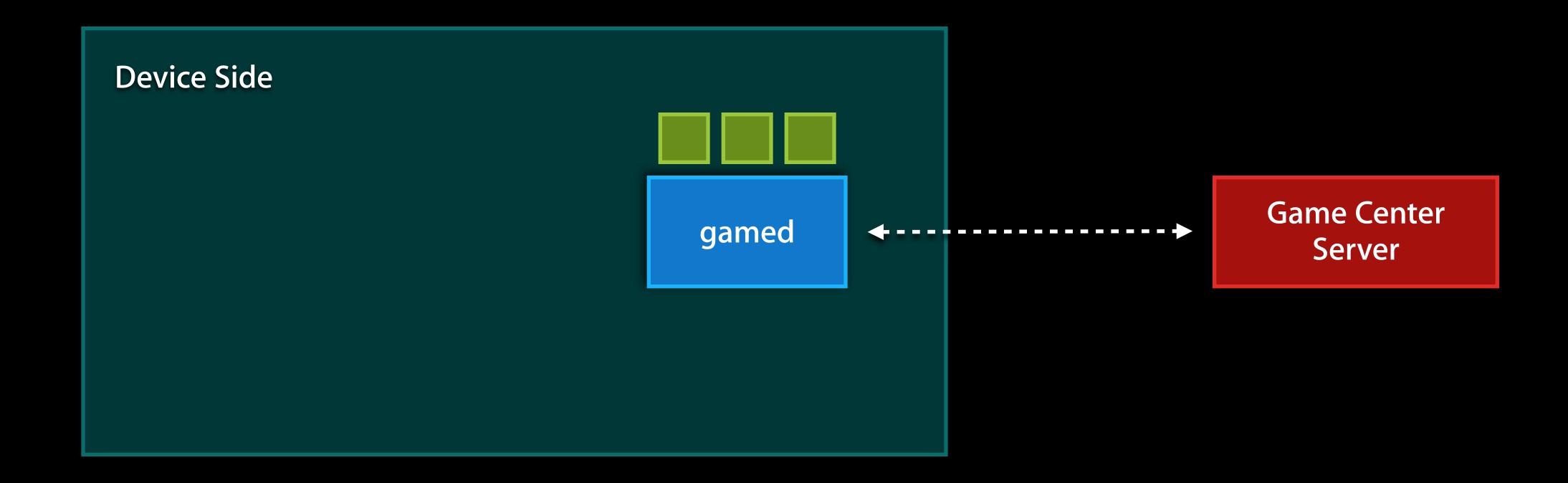


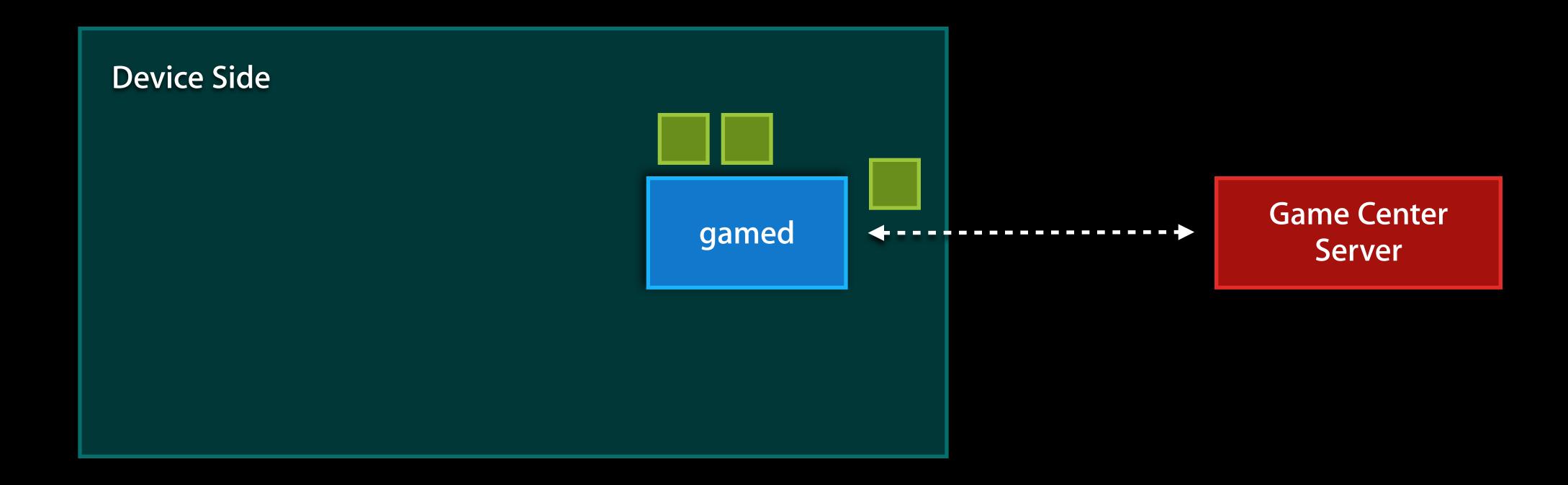


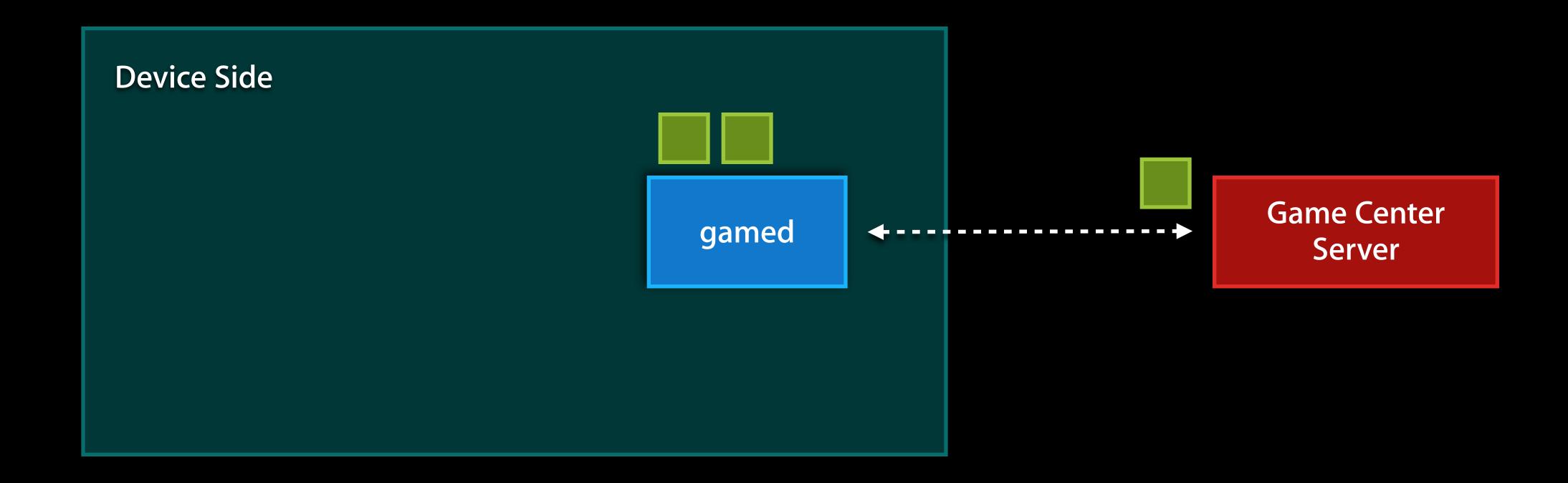


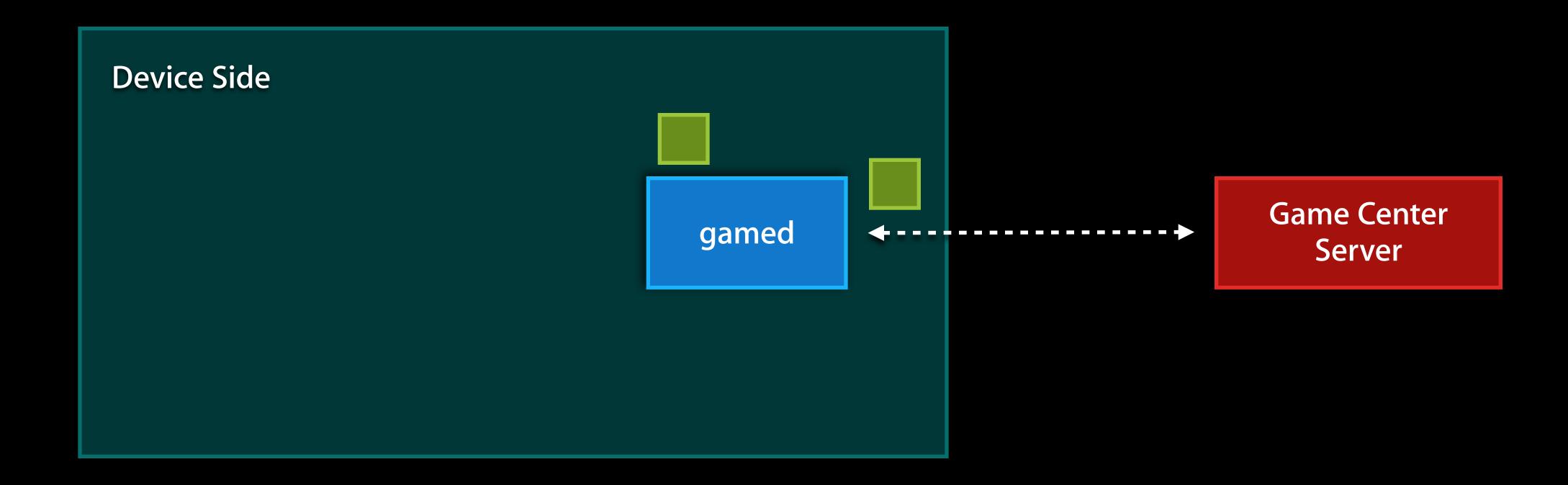


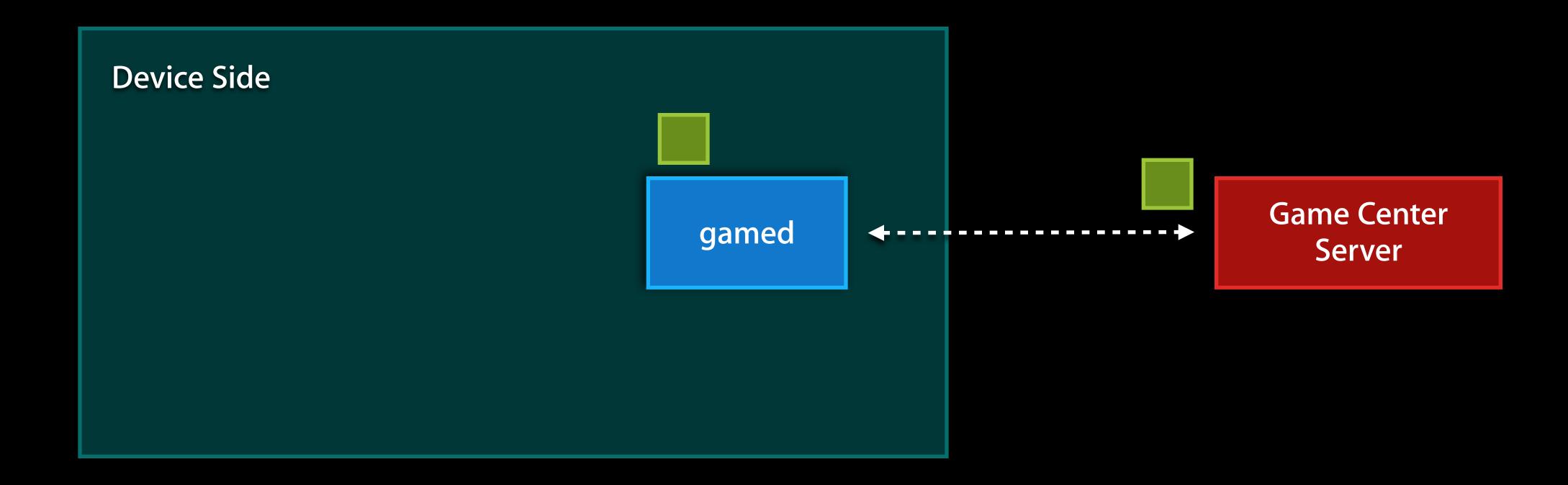


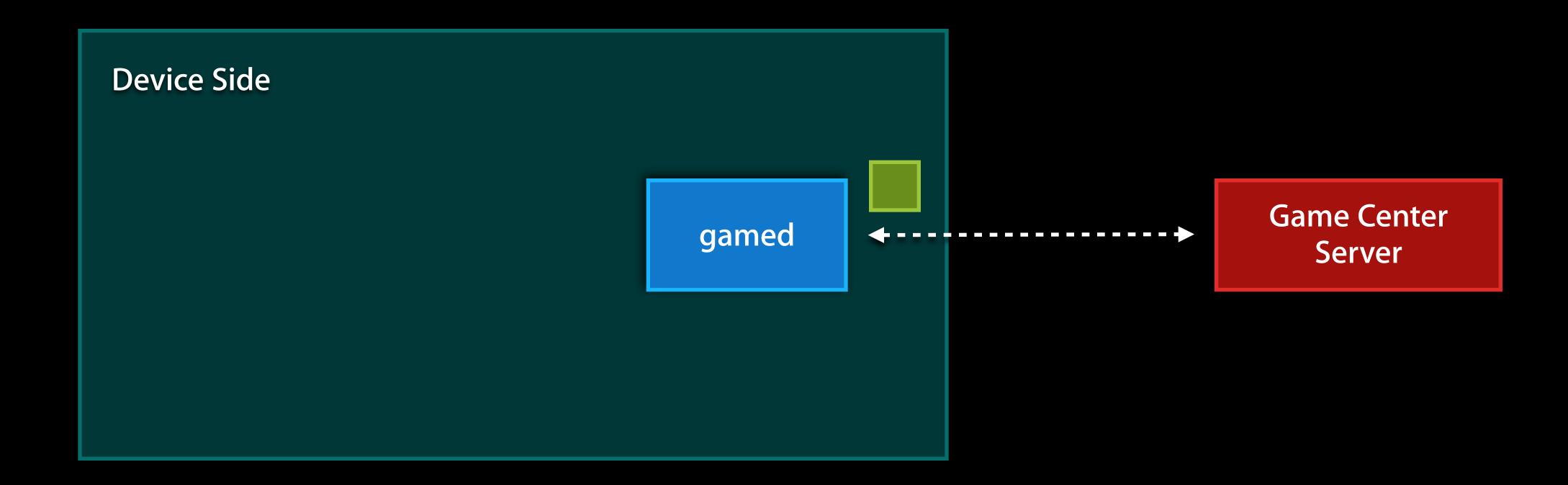


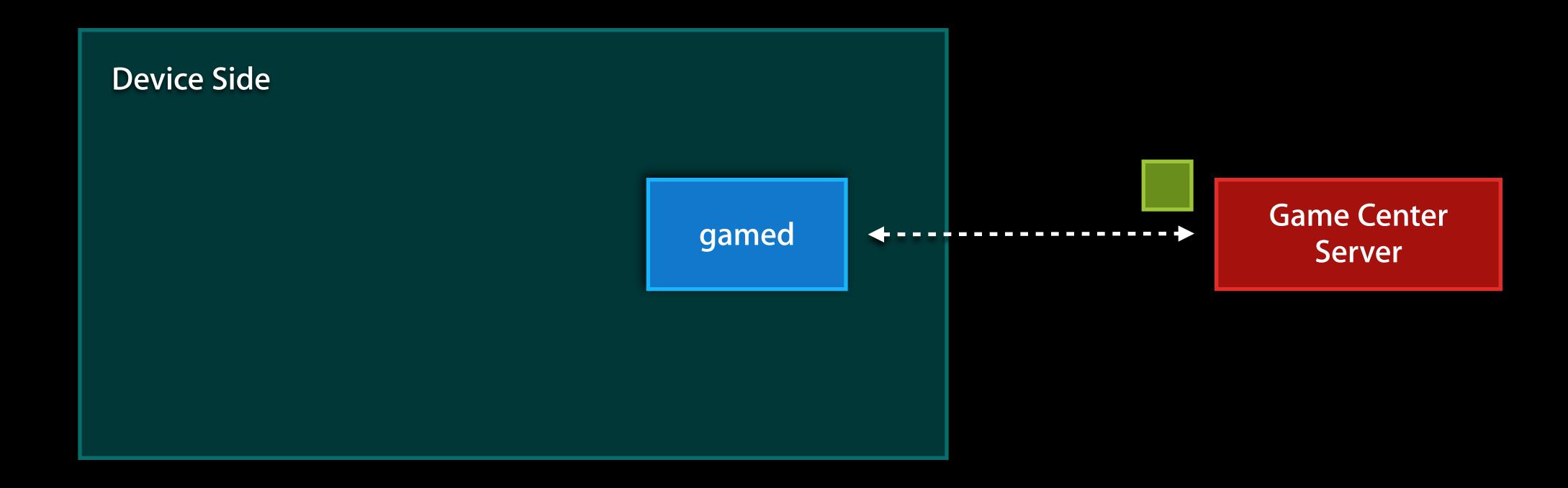


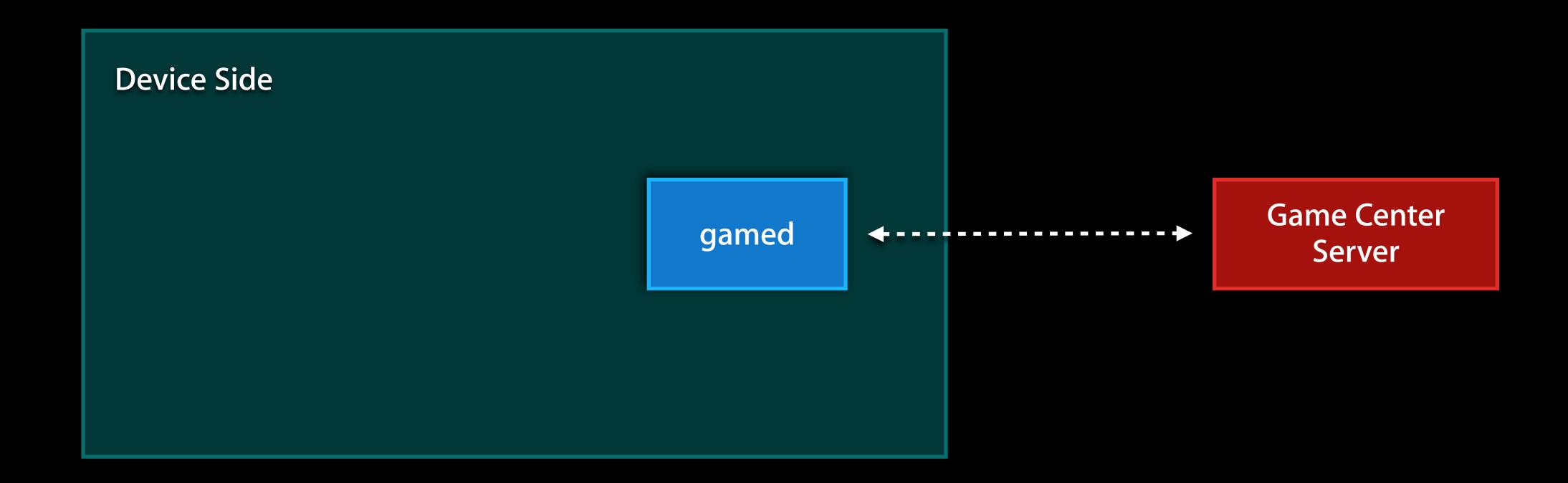












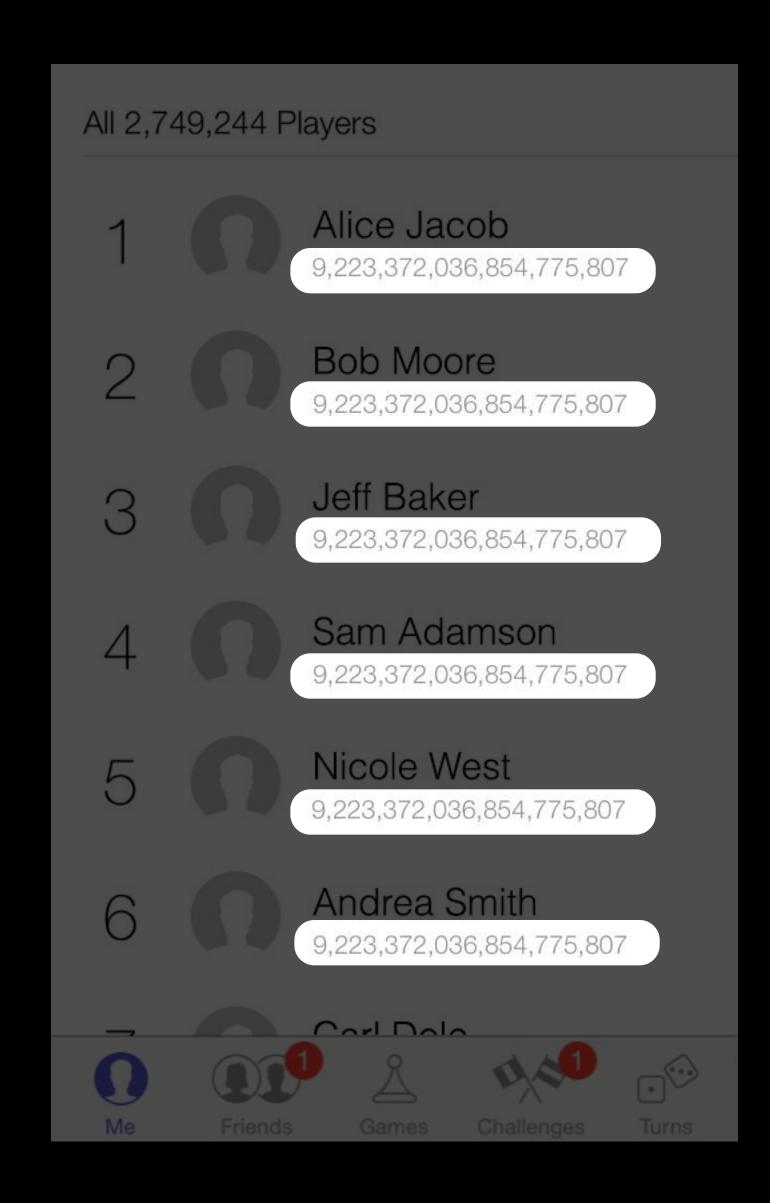
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- Submit right away
- Batch your submissions

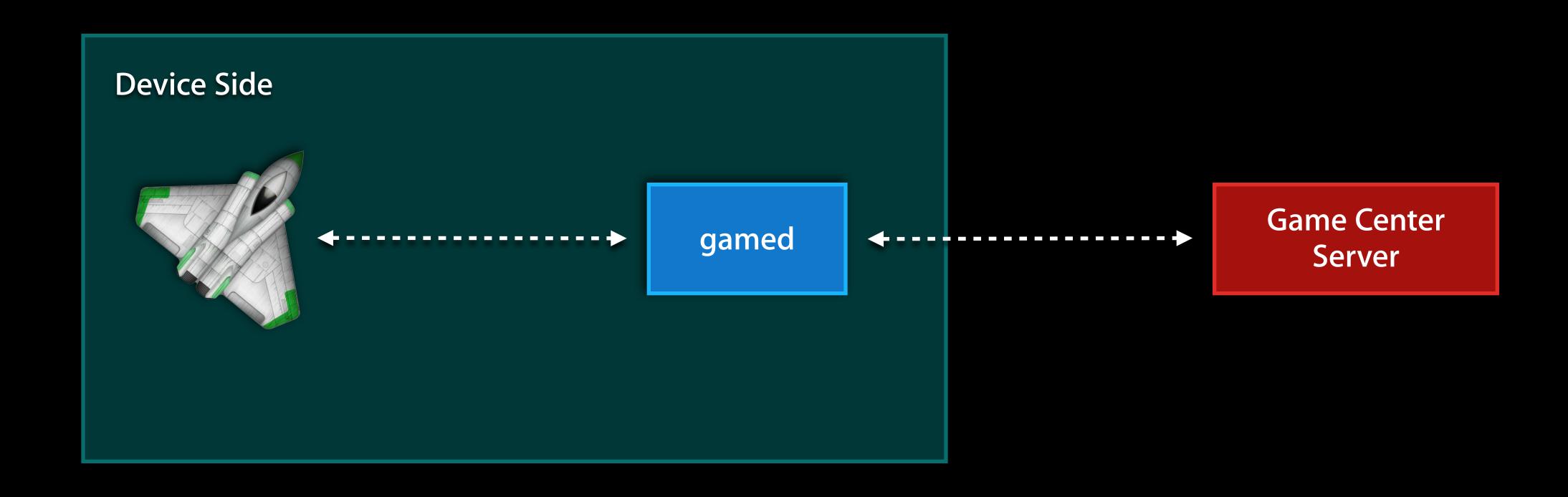
Leaderboard Recap

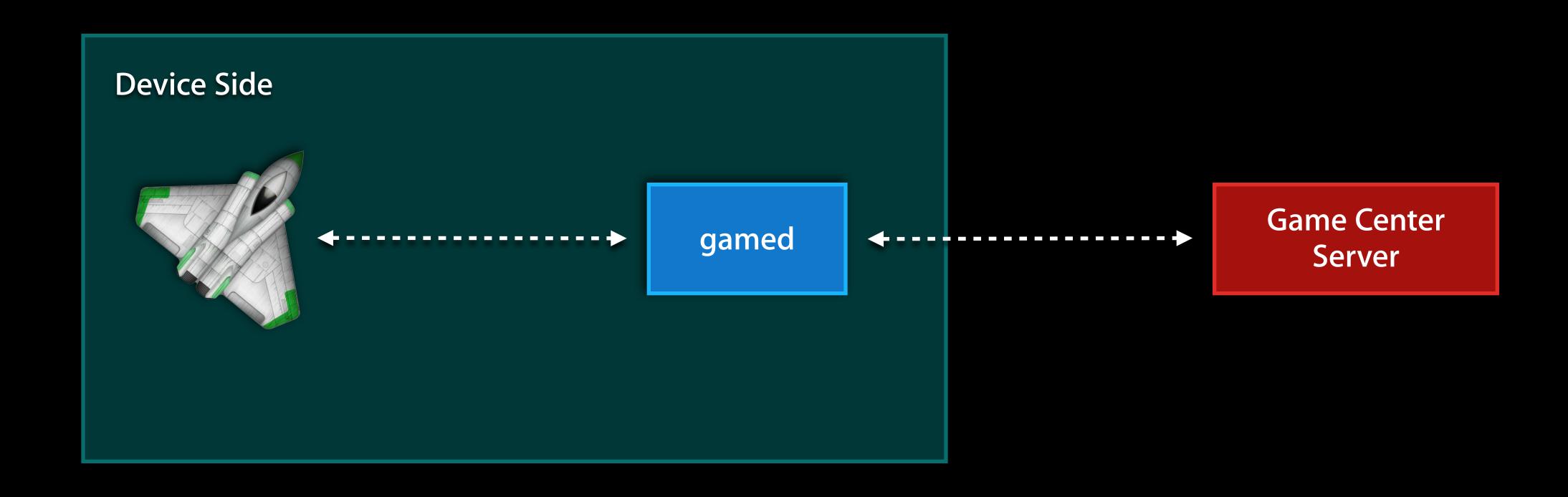
- More leaderboards
- Most Recent Score leaderboards
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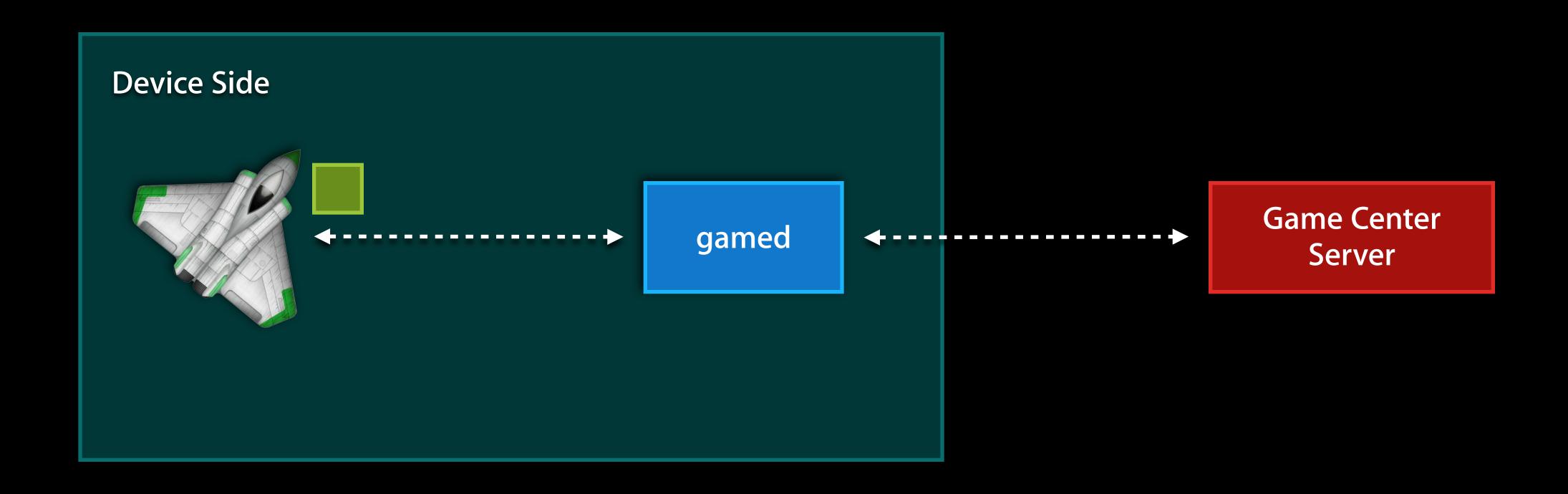
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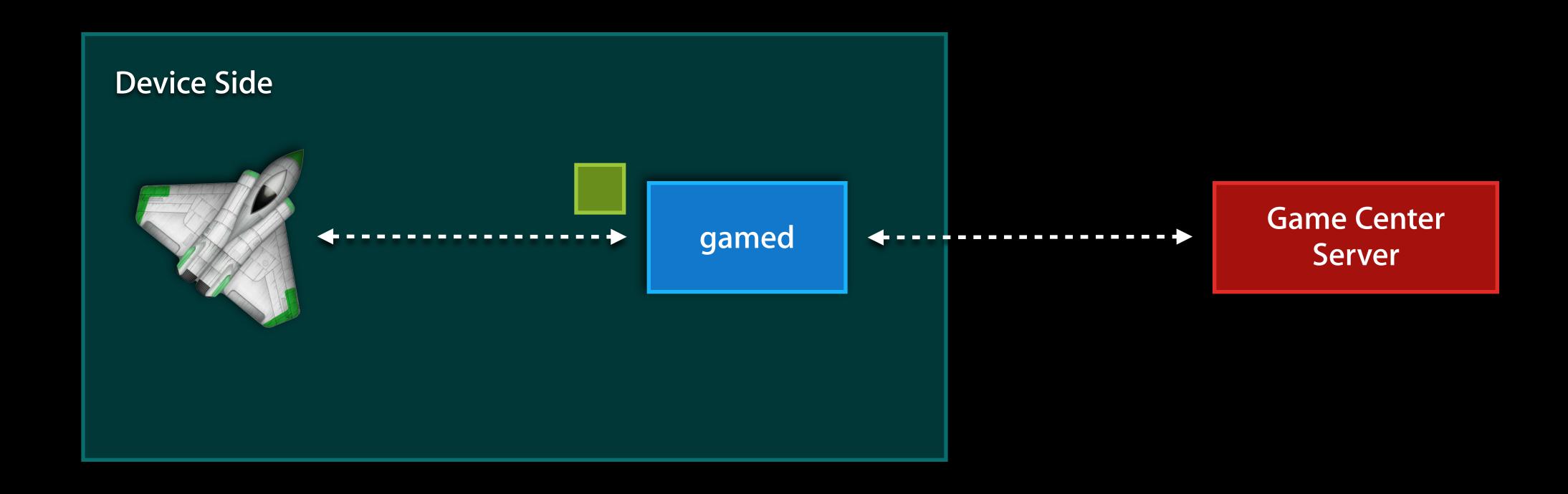
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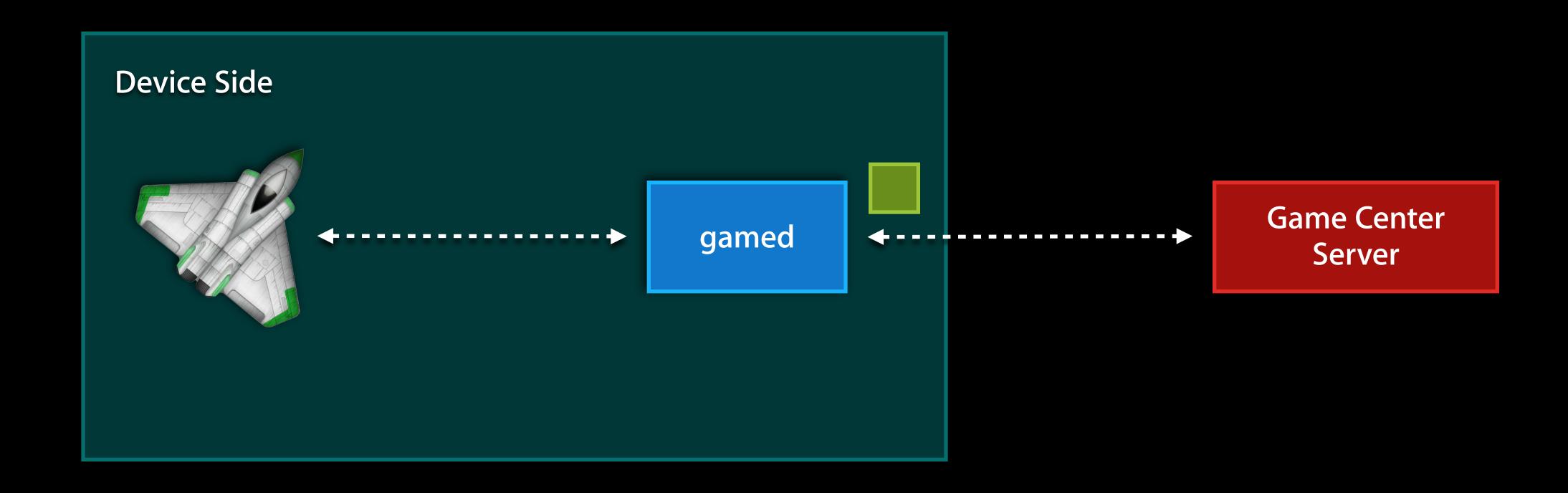


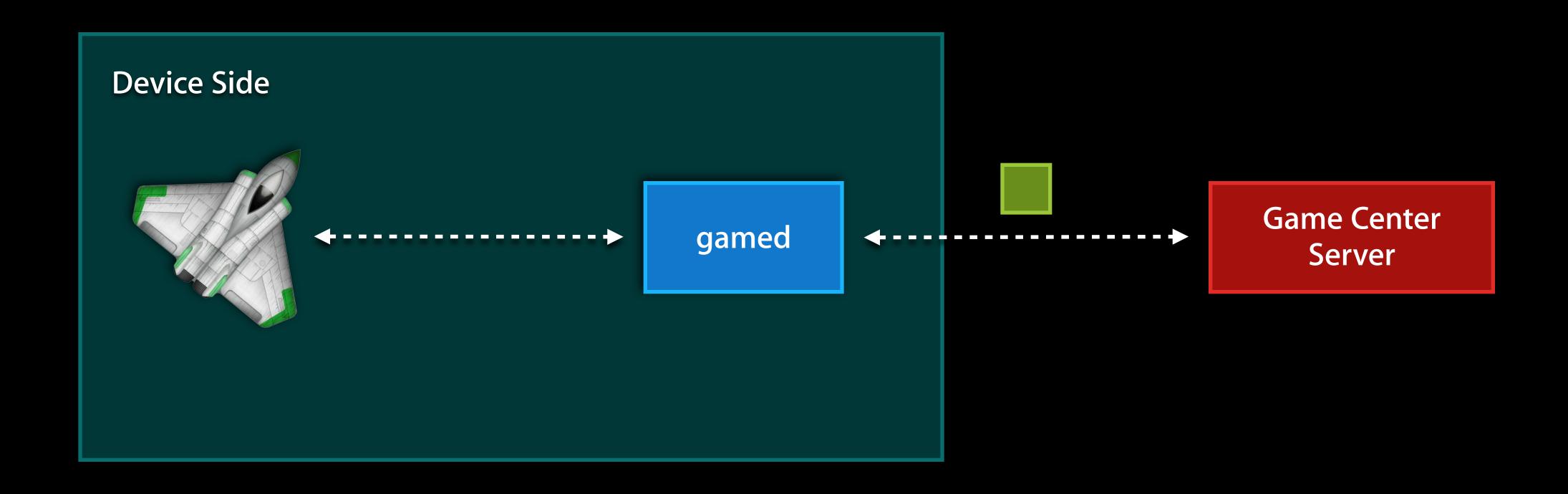


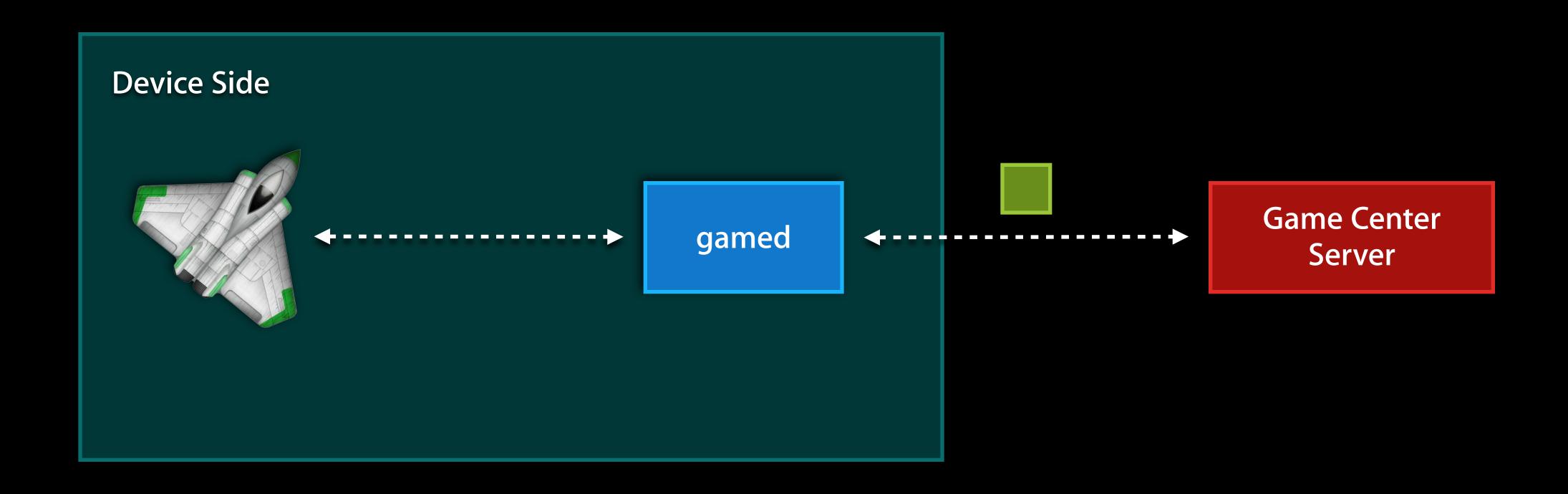


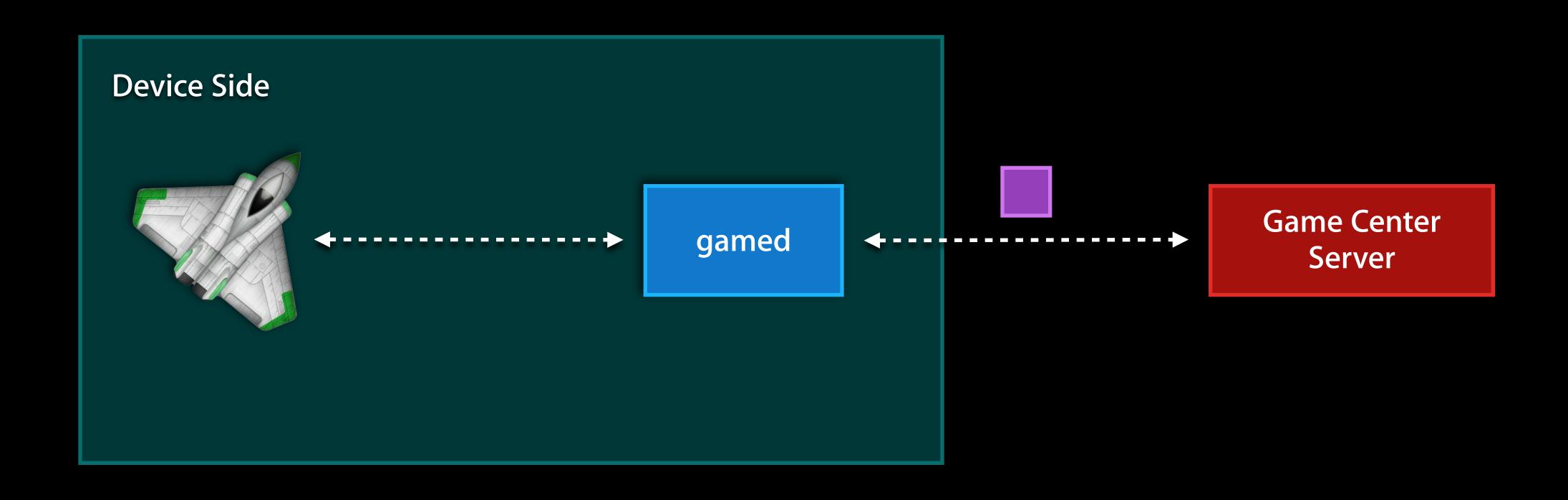


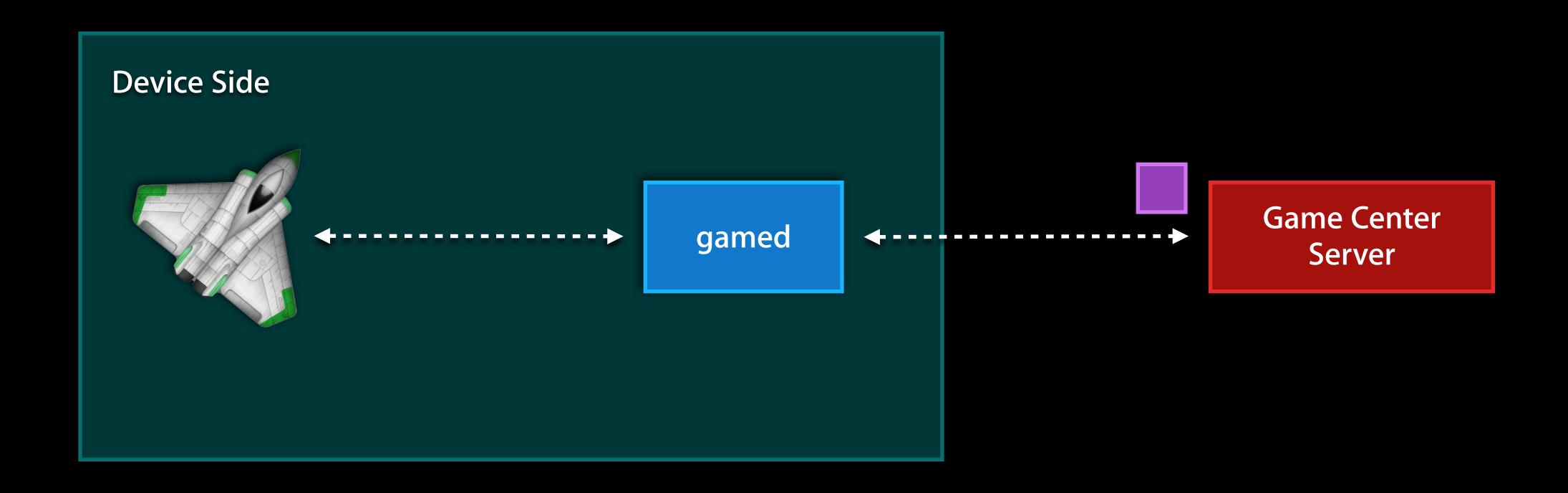


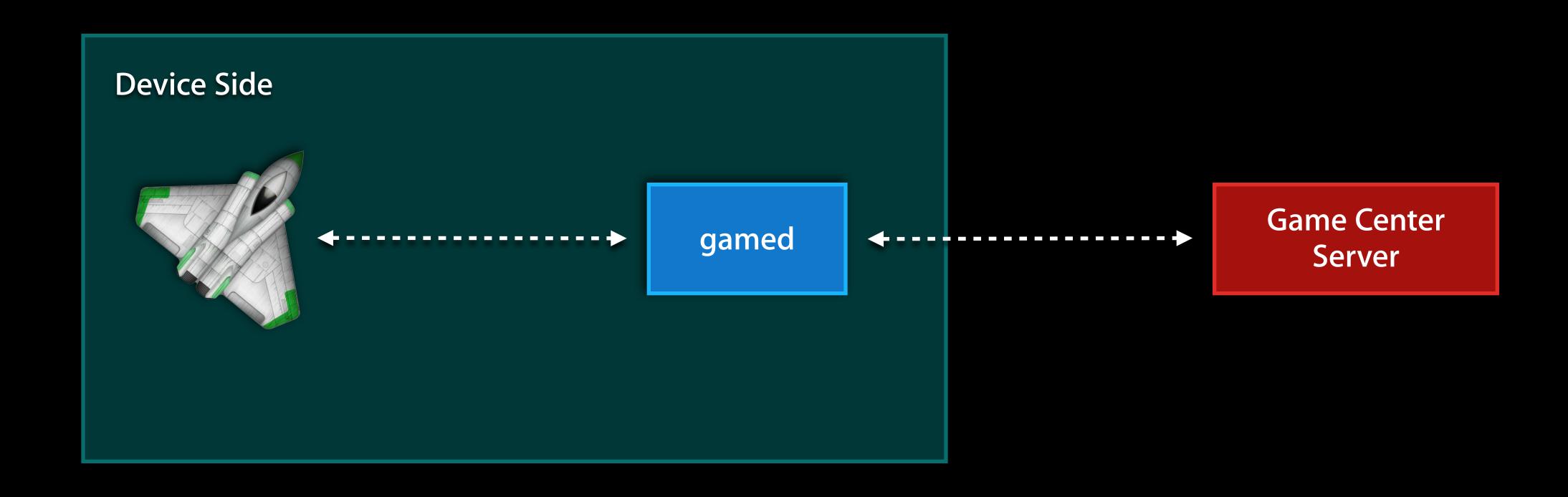












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Player Management Limiting Cheating

- New iTunes Connect tool
- Actively manage and audit suspicious activity
- What's New in iTunes Connect

Security Recap

- Signed submissions
- Use Score Range to filter out cheaters
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Challenges

Challenges Recap

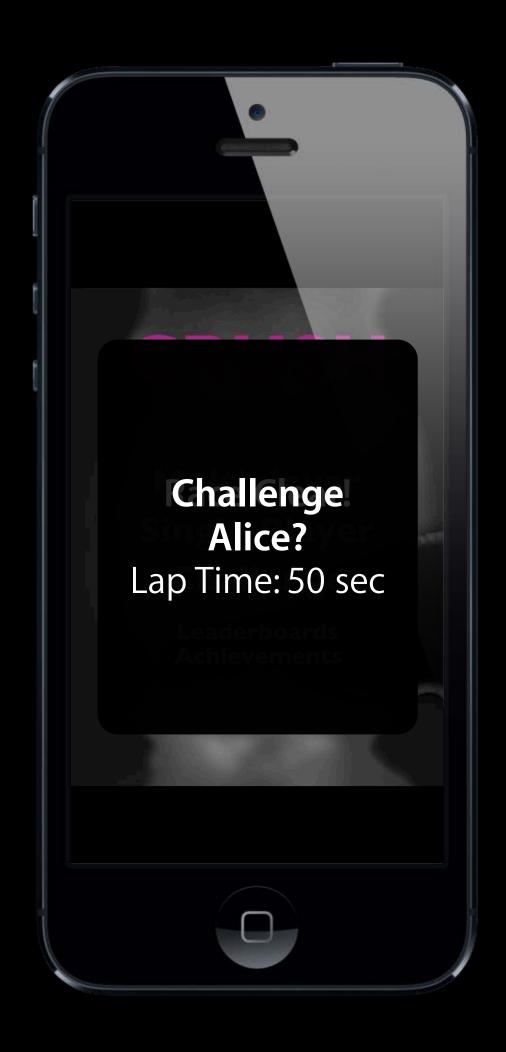
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 - API available for extension



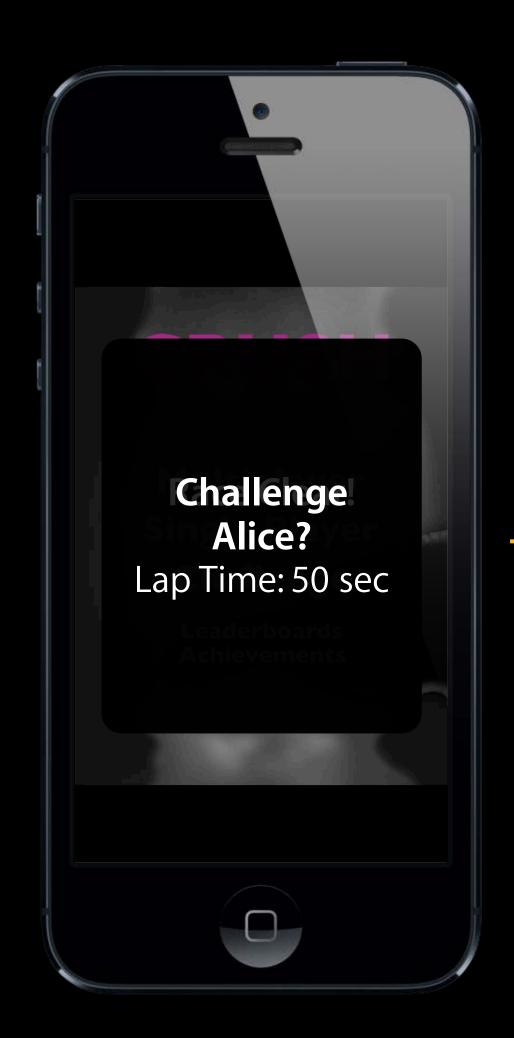










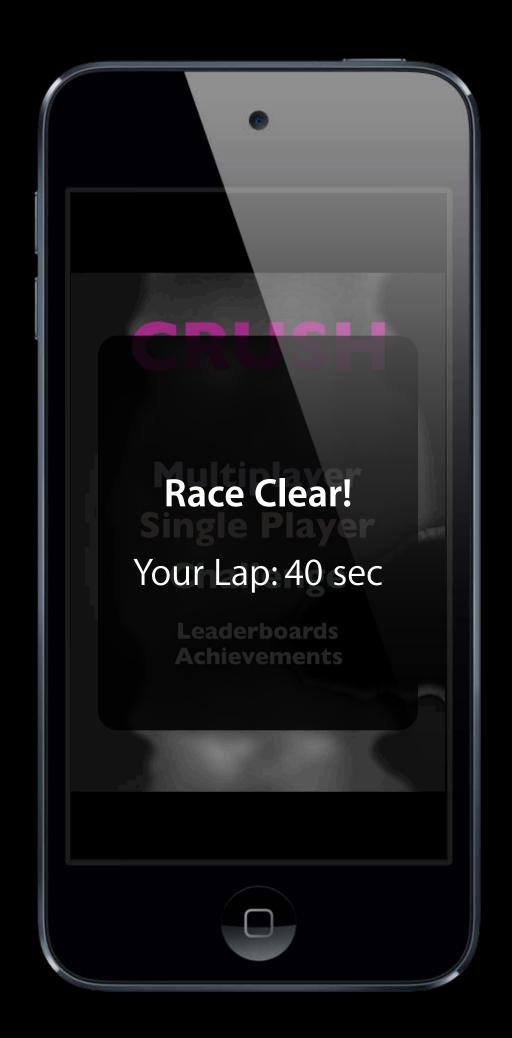




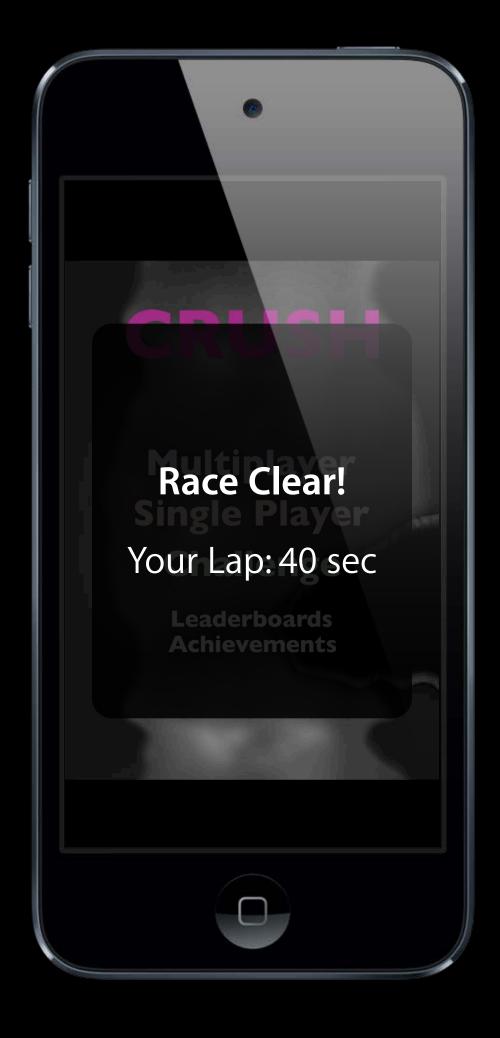




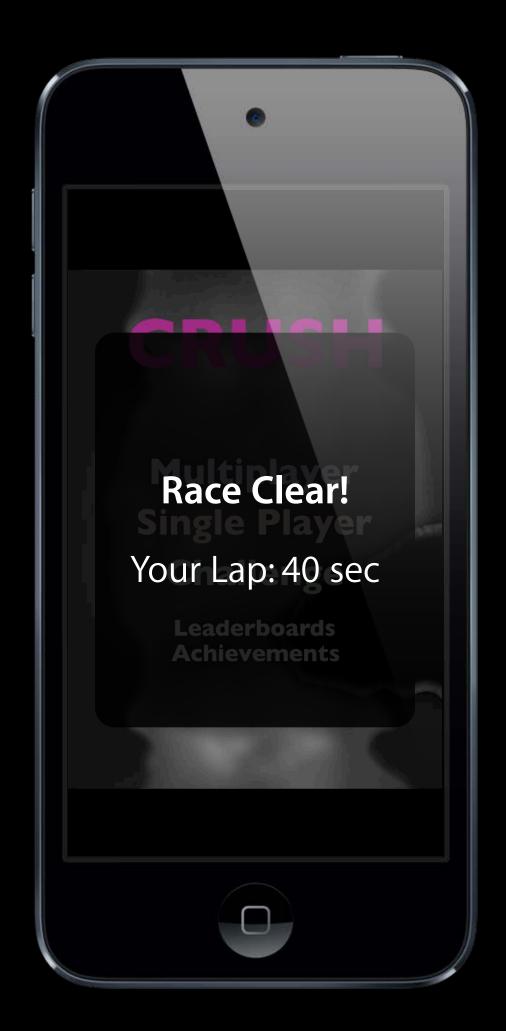












Completing Challenges Modal Completion



- Selectively complete specific challenges
- New API for submission

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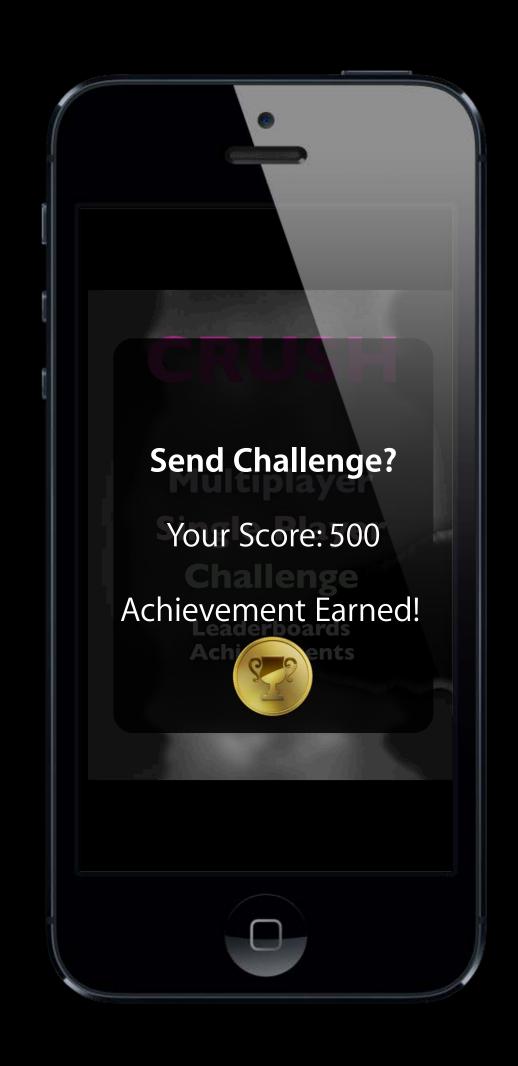




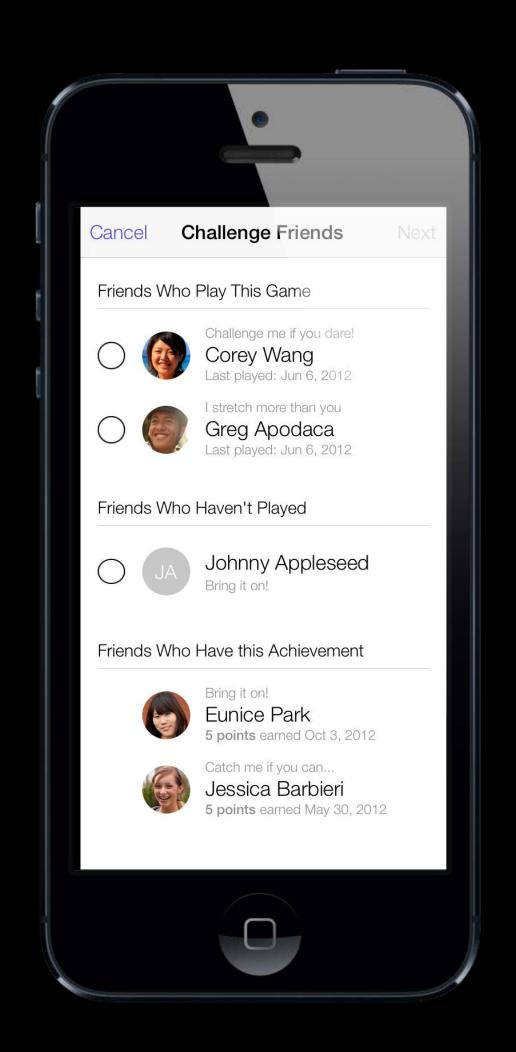




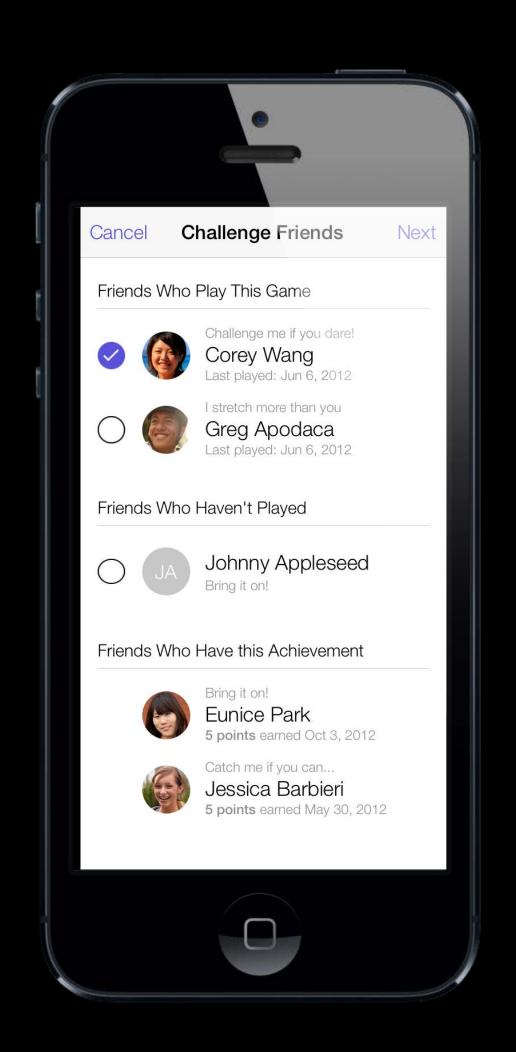
















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Challenges Recap

- Modal Challenges for selective completion
- Use challenge compose controller API for issuing
- Deprecated issueChallenge API brings up picker

Event Handling

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- GKLocalPlayer is event producer
- Can have multiple listeners for each event
- Listeners conform to GKLocalPlayerListener
 - GKChallengeListener
 - GKTurnBasedEventListener
 - GKInviteEventListener

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GKChallengeListener

```
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player
wantsToPlayChallenge: (GKChallenge *)challenge;
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player
didReceiveChallenge: (GKChallenge *)challenge;
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player
didCompleteChallenge: (GKChallenge *)challenge
issuedByFriend: (GKPlayer *)friendPlayer;
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player
issuedChallengeWasCompleted: (GKChallenge *)challenge
byFriend: (GKPlayer *)friendPlayer;
```

Selecting Challenges

```
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player wantsToPlayChallenge: (GKChallenge
*)challenge
{
    // switch to challenge mode for challenge
    [self startChallengeModeForChallenge: challenge];
}
```

Receiving Challenges

```
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player didReceiveChallenge: (GKChallenge
*)challenge
{
    // display custom UI for challenge
    [self presentChallengeInGame: challenge];
}
```

Completed Challenges

```
- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player didCompleteChallenge: (GKChallenge
*)challenge issuedByFriend: (GKPlayer *)friendPlayer
{
    // reward player for completing a challenge
    [self displayCongratsBanner];
}
```

Completed Challenges

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- (void)player: (GKPlayer *)player issuedChallengeWasCompleted:
  (GKChallenge *)challenge byFriend: (GKPlayer *)friendPlayer
  {
      // player's friend beat a challenge they sent
      [self playSadTrombone];
}
```

GKLocalPlayerListener

- Deprecated
 - GKChallengeEventHandler
 - GKTurnBasedEventHandler
 - GKMatchmaker inviteHandler property
- Affects multiplayer too
 - Check out multiplayer session tomorrow

What We've Learned

- Leaderboard Sets
- Most Recent Score Leaderboards
- Security
- Challenges
- New GKLocalPlayerListener API

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Turn-Based Gaming with Game Center	Mission Thursday 11:30AM	

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