Layout and Animation Techniques For WatchKit

Session 216

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New Animation API in watchOS 2

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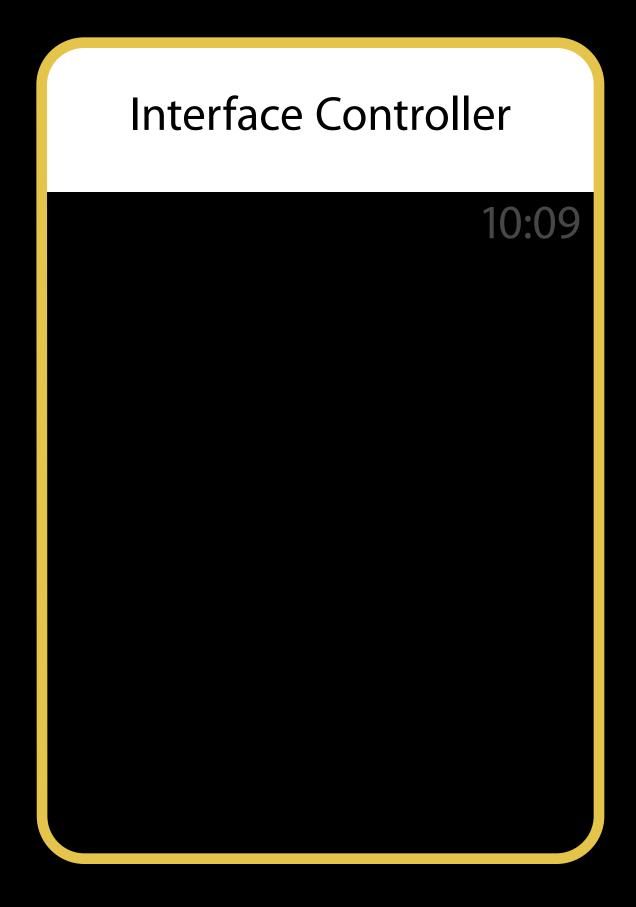
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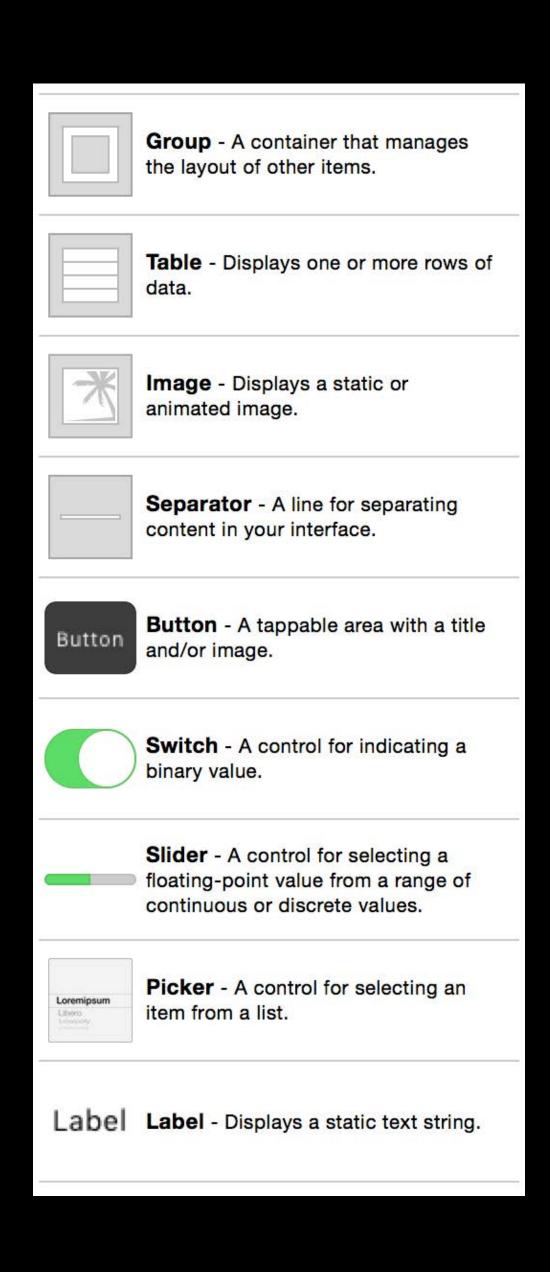
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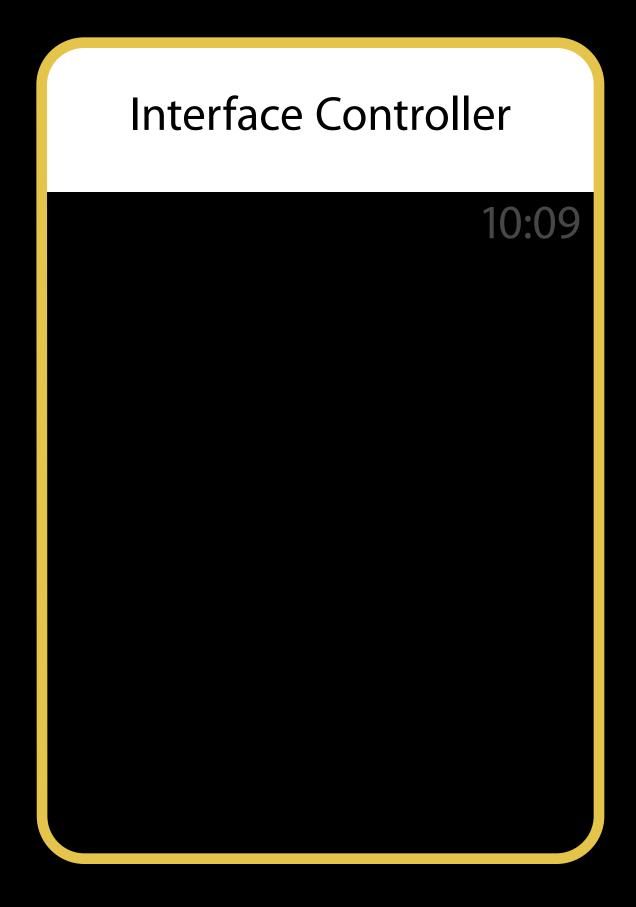
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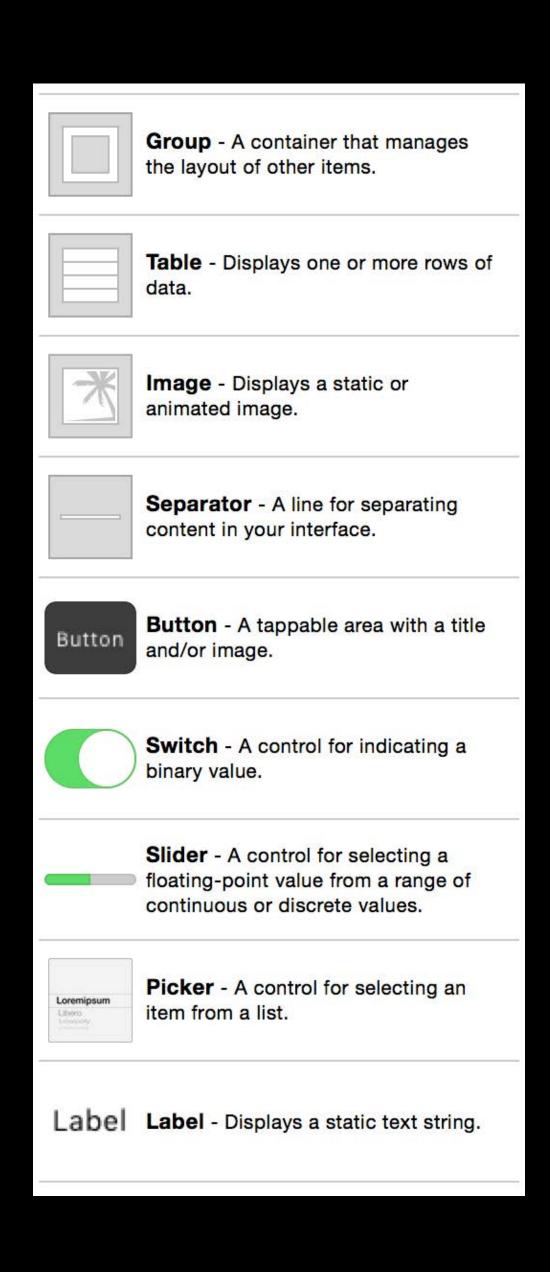
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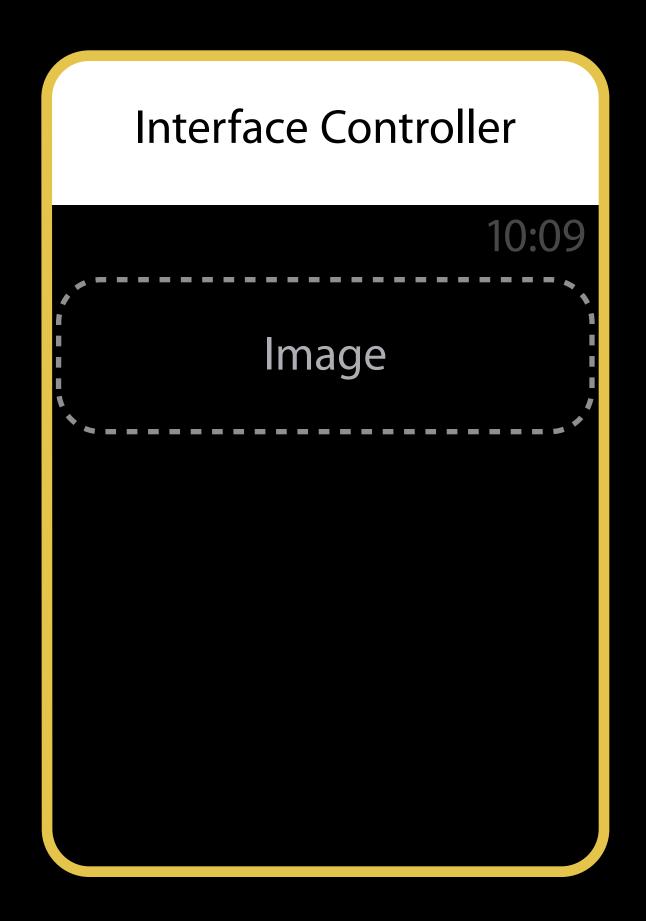
	Group - A container that manages the layout of other items.
	Table - Displays one or more rows of data.
*	Image - Displays a static or animated image.
	Separator - A line for separating content in your interface.
Button	Button - A tappable area with a title and/or image.
	Switch - A control for indicating a binary value.
	Slider - A control for selecting a floating-point value from a range of continuous or discrete values.
Loremipsum Libero Lowcoby	Picker - A control for selecting an item from a list.
Label	Label - Displays a static text string.

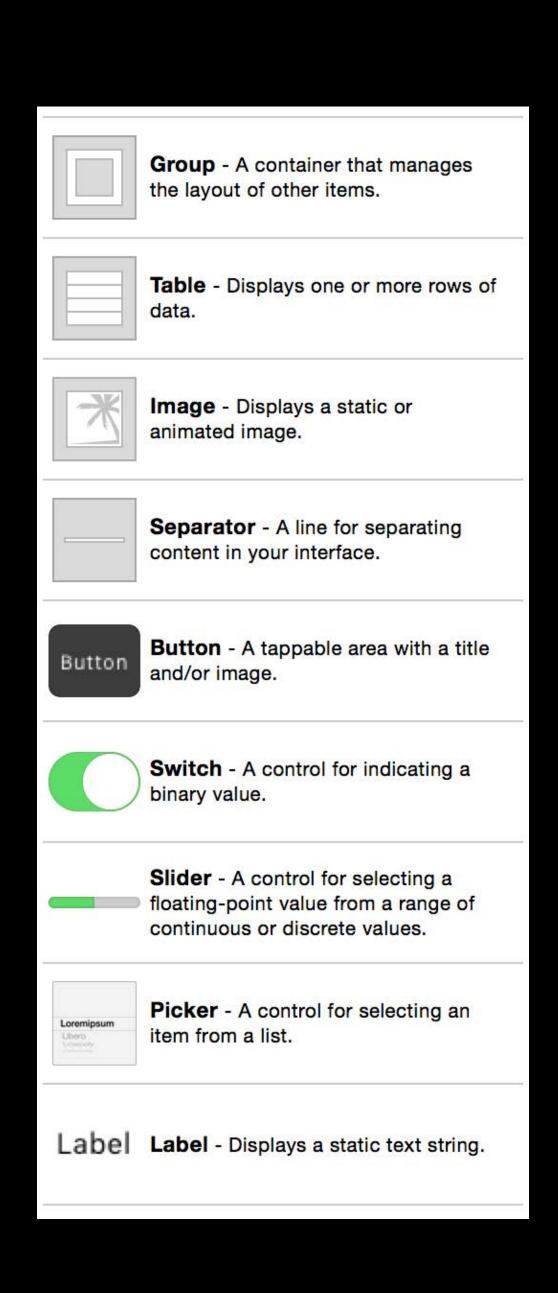


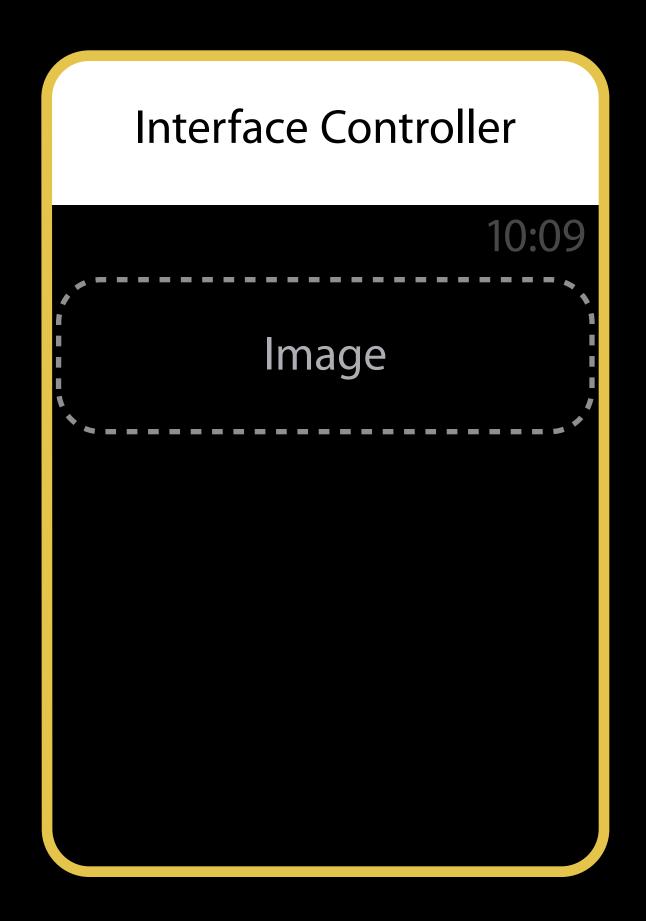


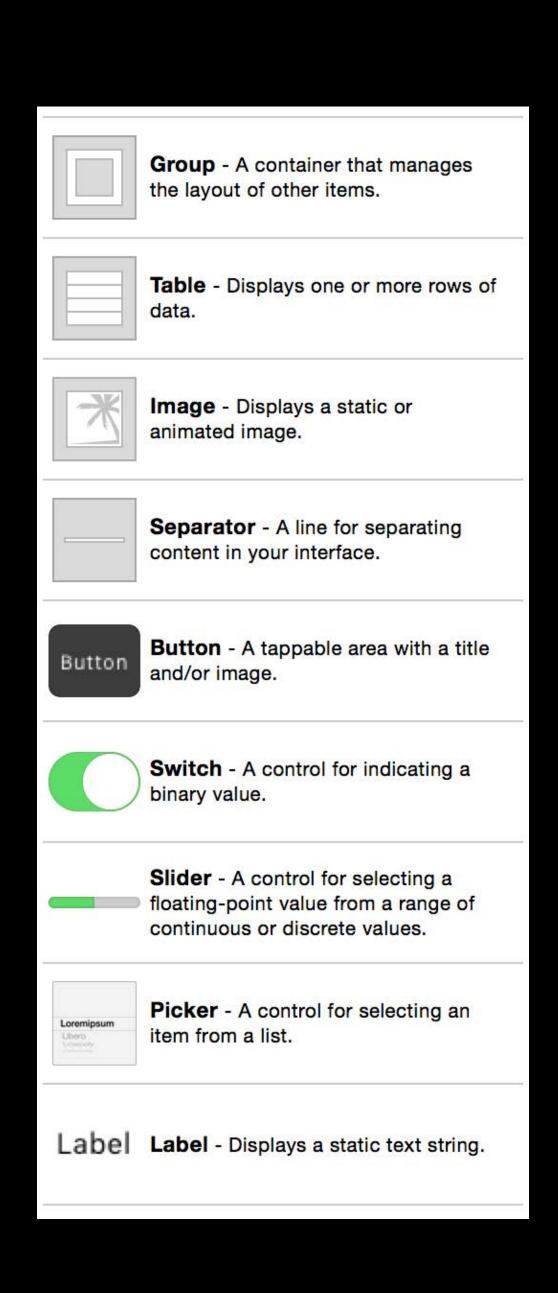


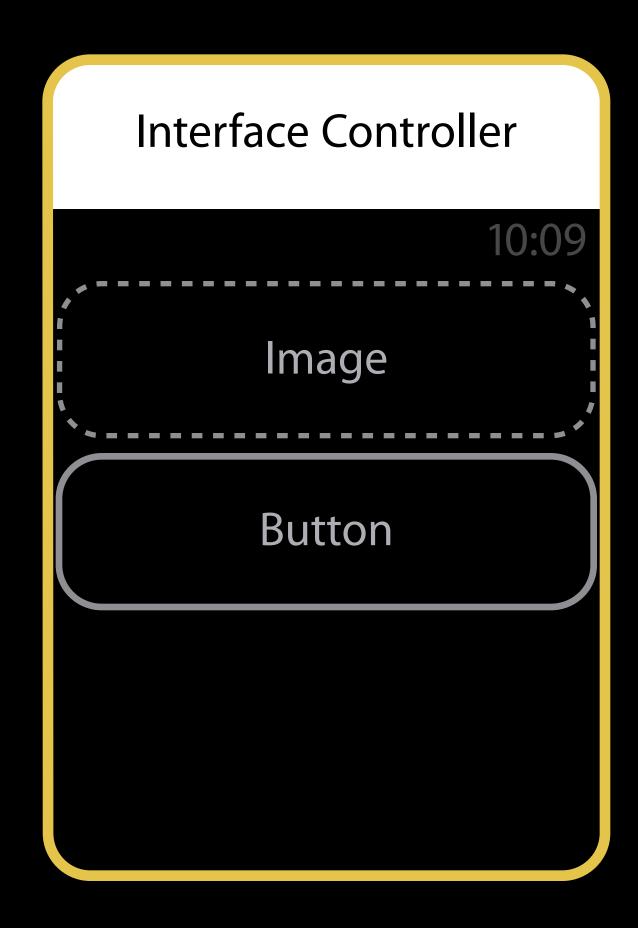


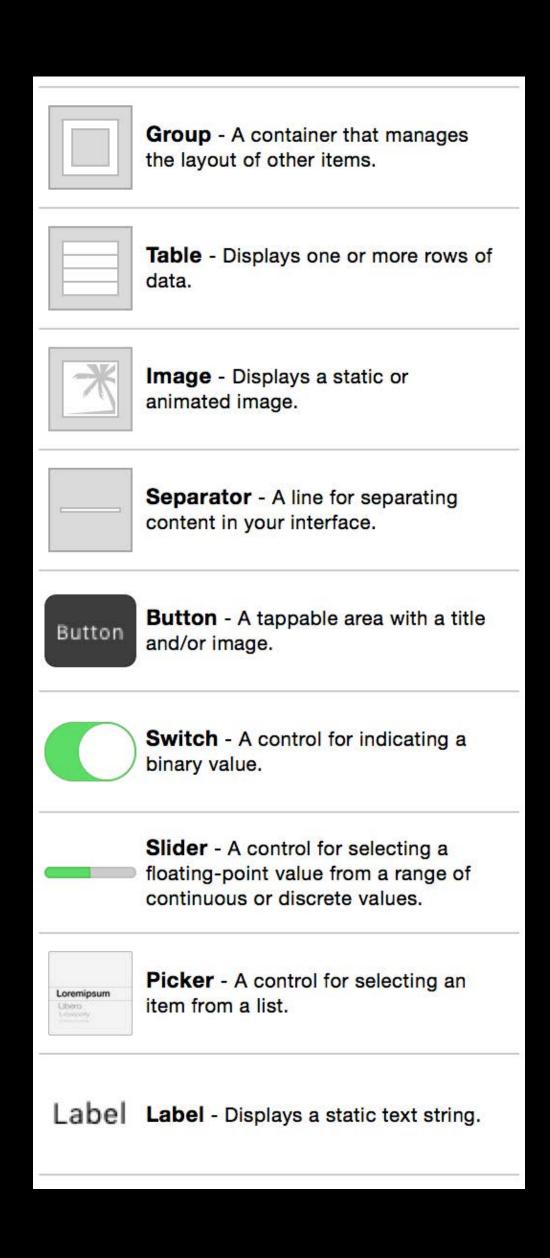


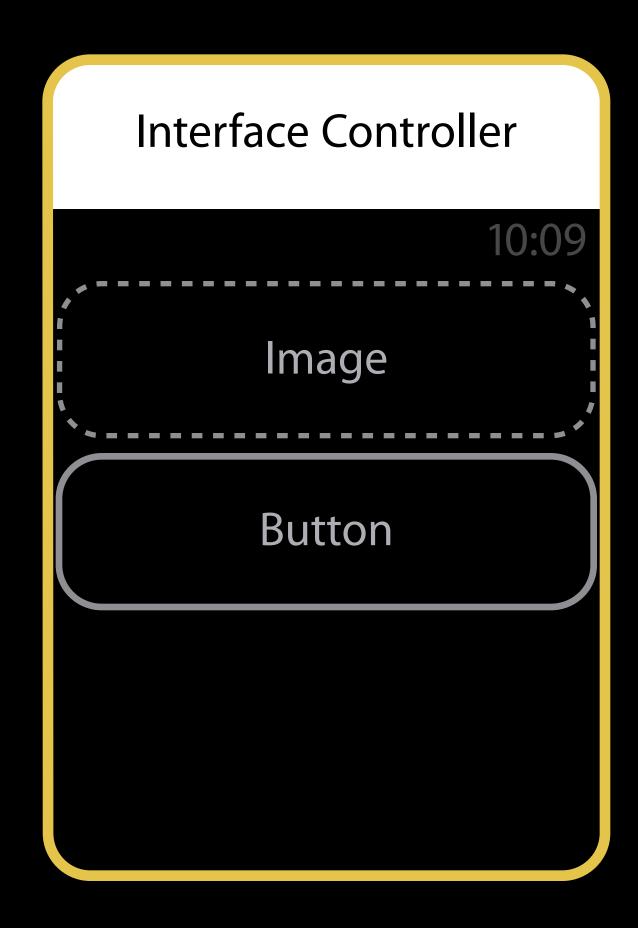


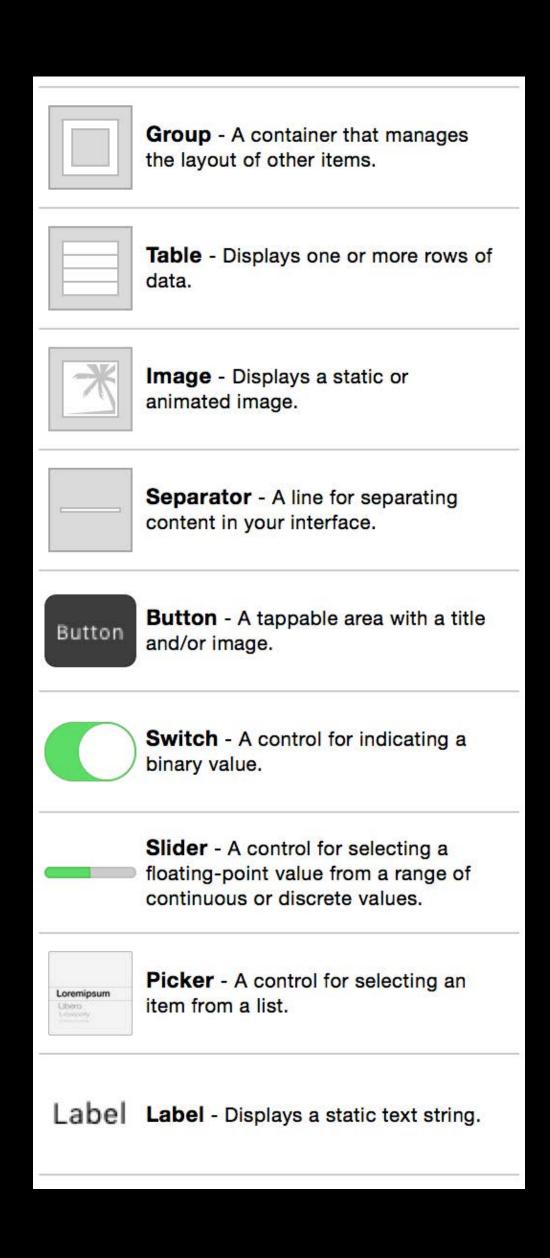




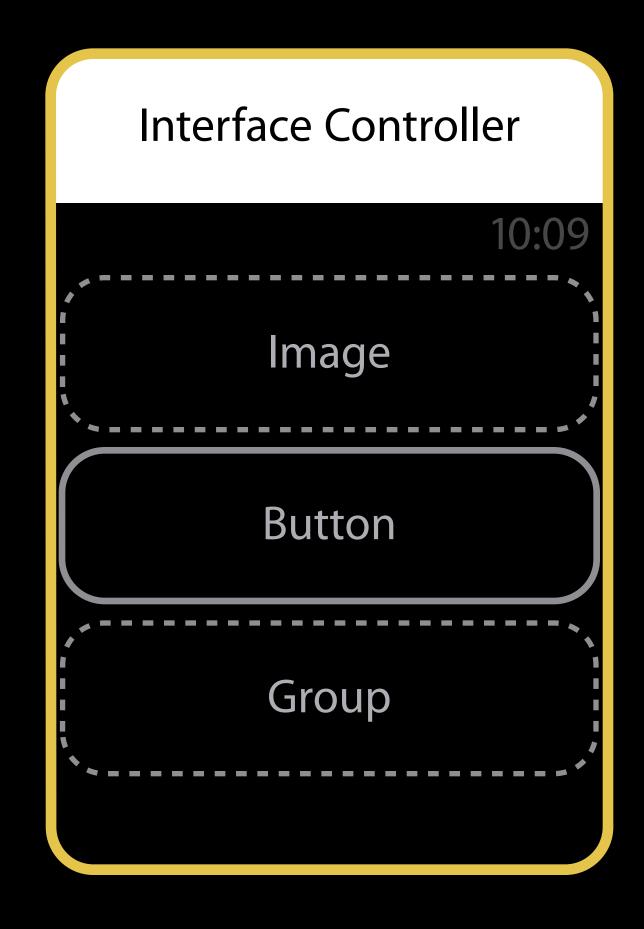


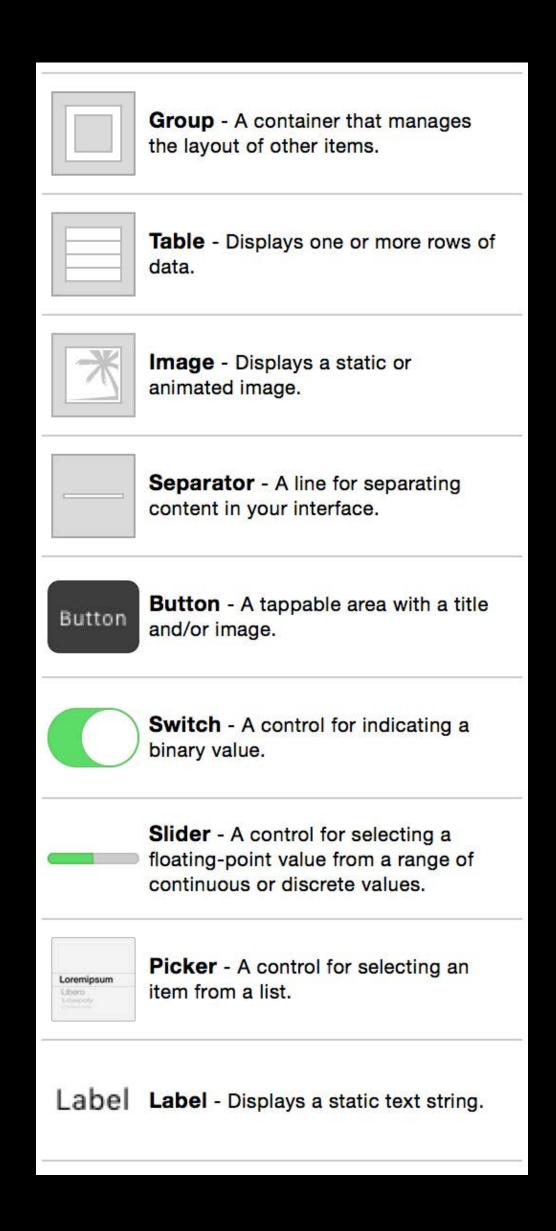




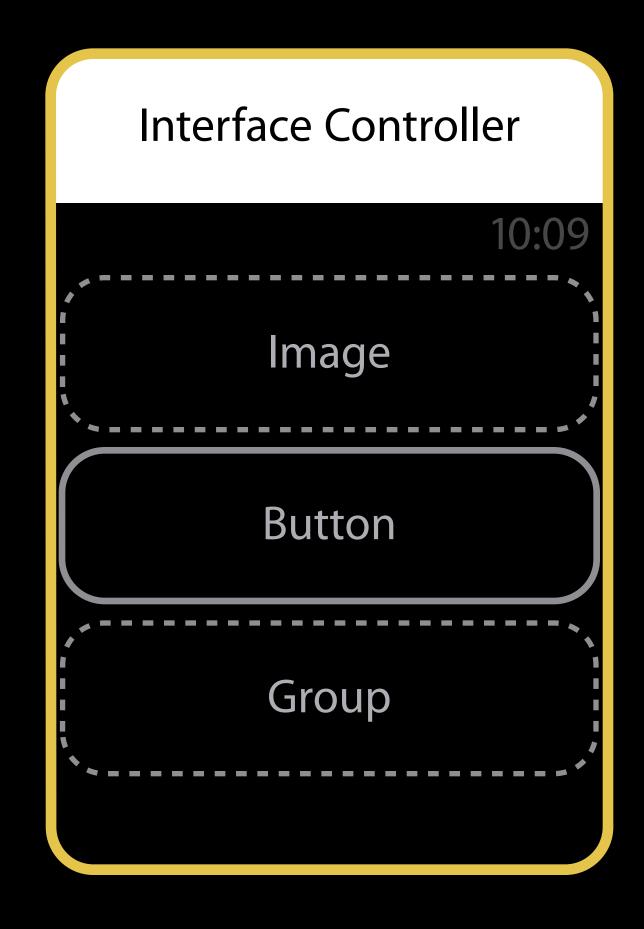


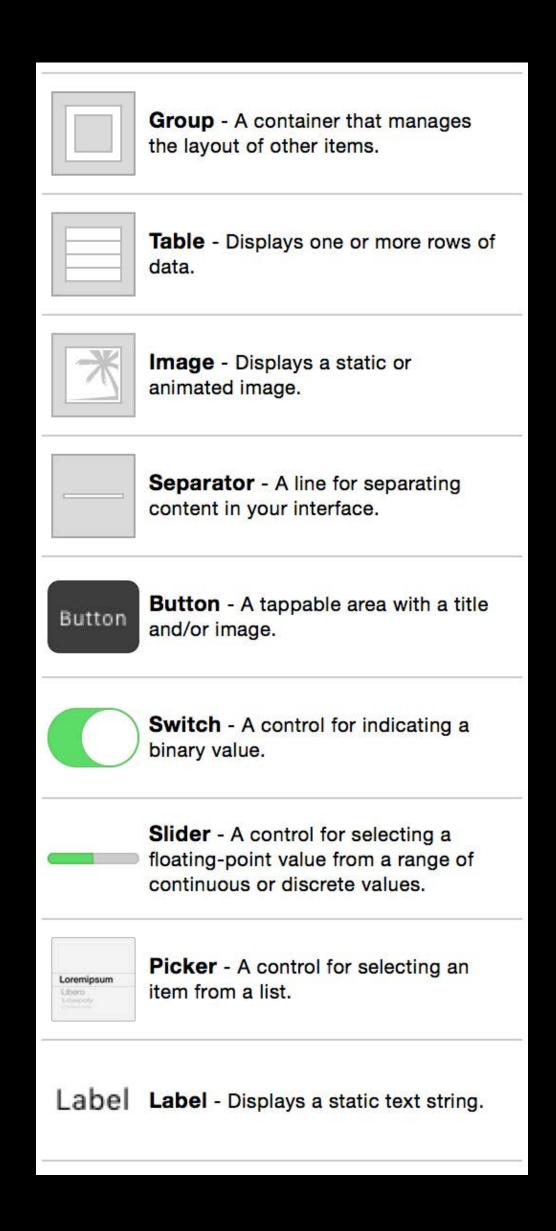
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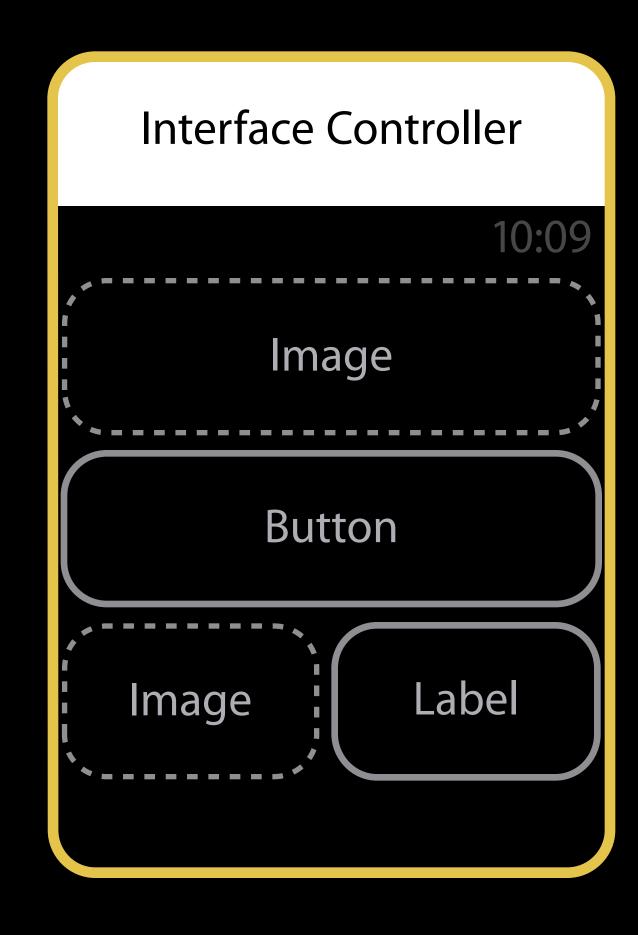


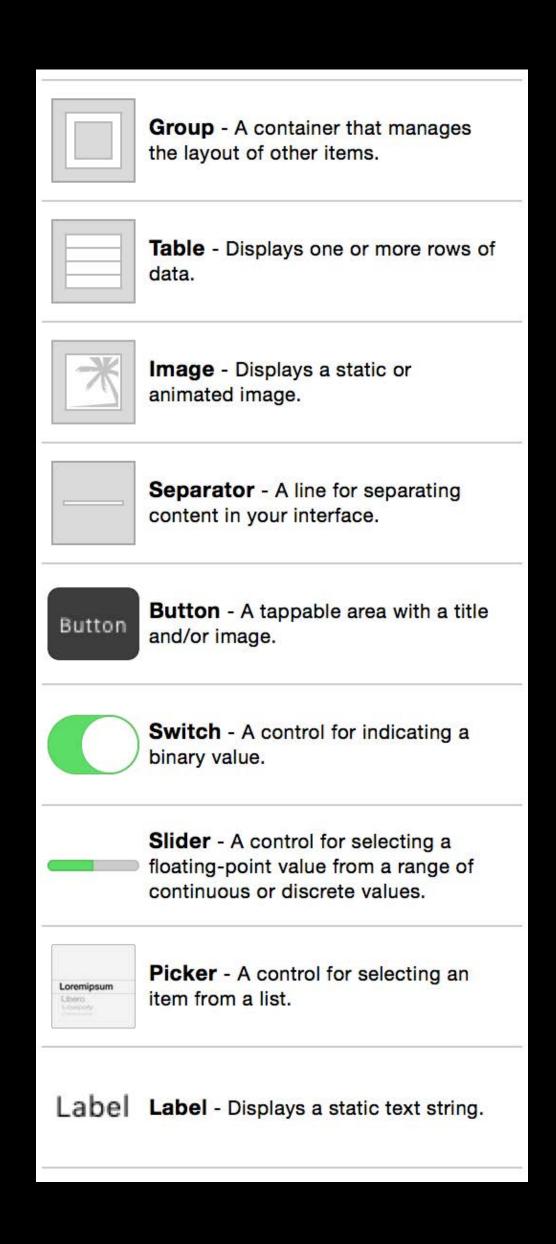
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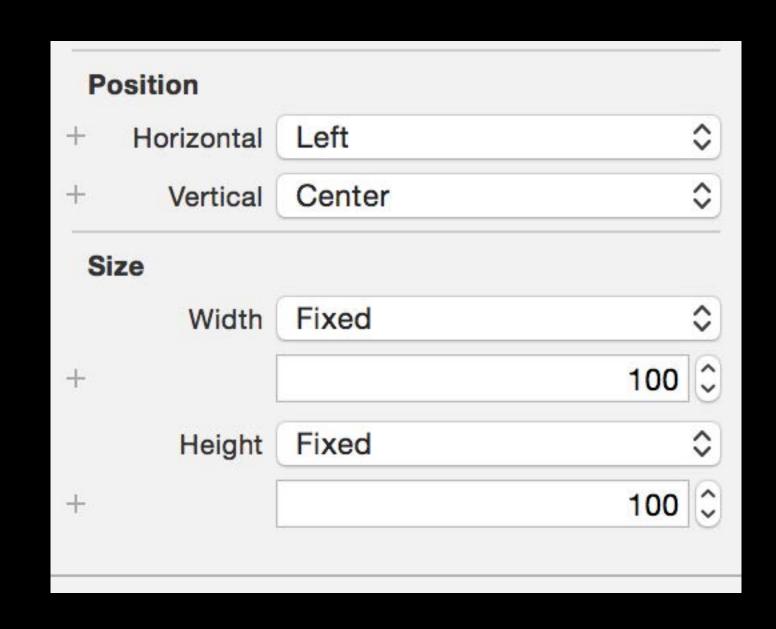
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- Animation

Alignment and Sizing

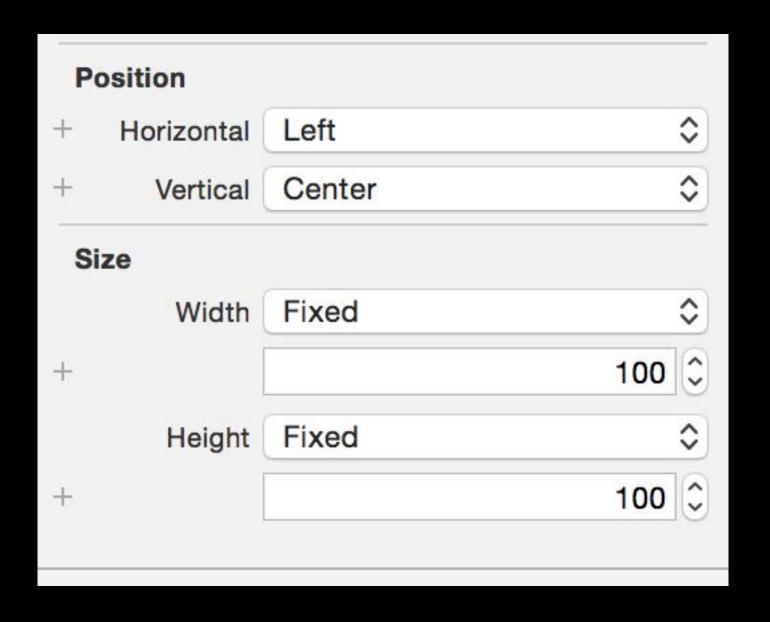
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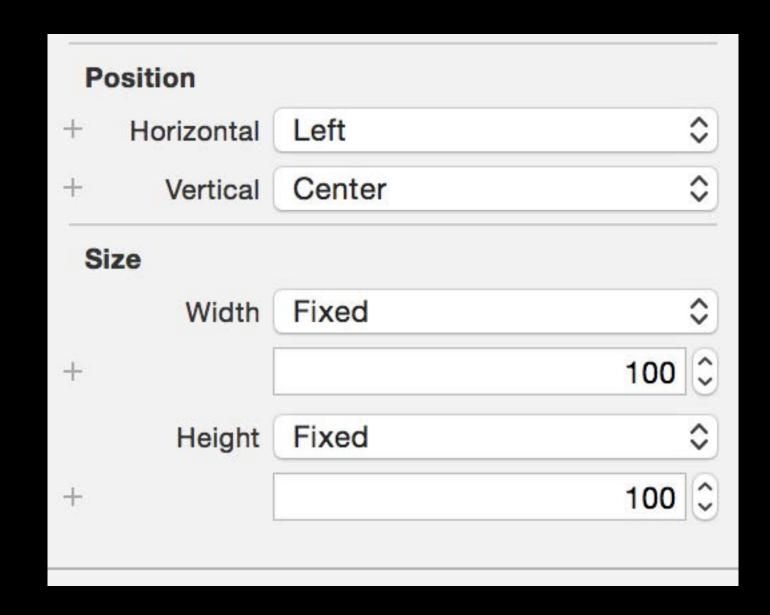
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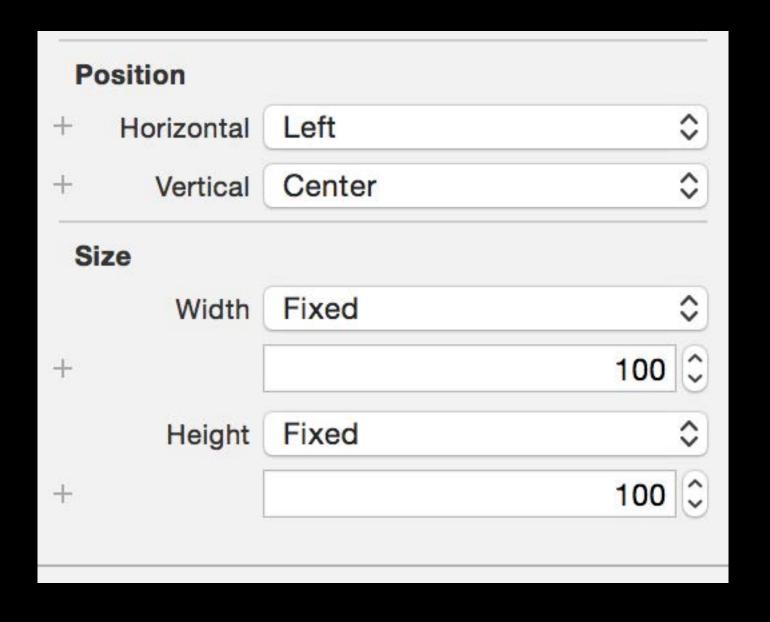
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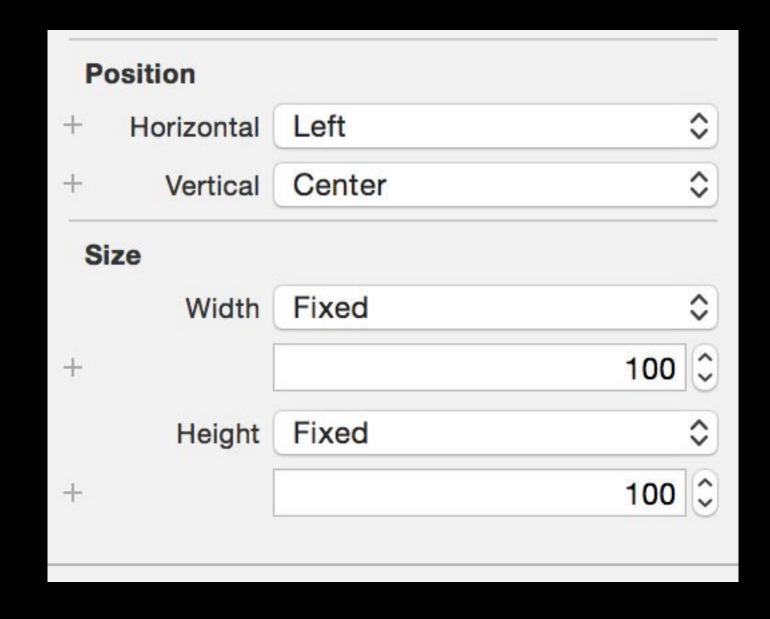


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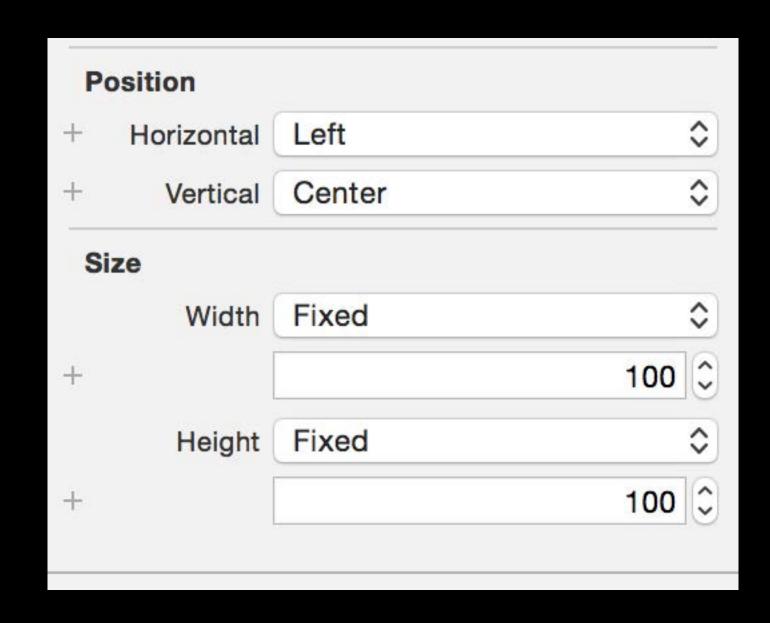
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Width and height heuristic



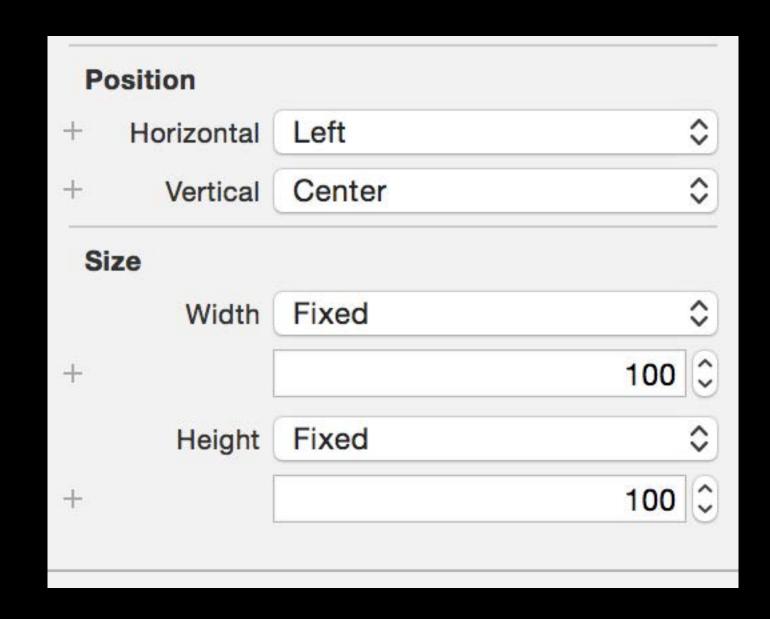
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Size

- Width and height heuristic
- Fixed, relative, or sized to fit



Alignment API



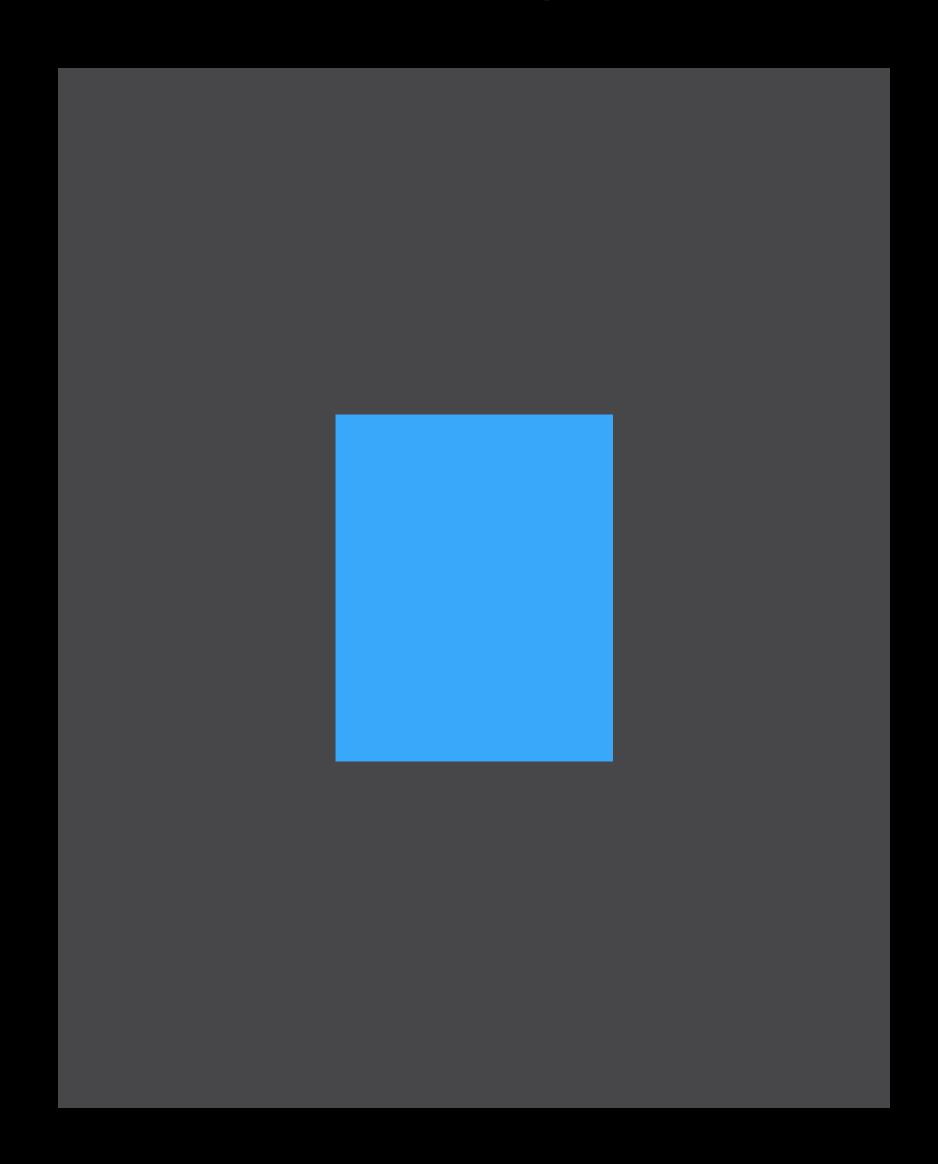
WKInterfaceObject

```
func setHorizontalAlignment(WKInterfaceObjectHorizontalAlignment)
func setVerticalAlignment(WKInterfaceObjectVerticalAlignment)
enum WKInterfaceObjectHorizontalAlignment {
    case Left
    case Center
    case Right
enum WKInterfaceObjectVerticalAlignment {
    case Top
    case Center
    case Bottom
```

Alignment in Containing Element

```
myObj.setHorizontalAlignment(.Left)
myObj.setVerticalAlignment(.Top)
```

Alignment in Containing Element



myObj.setHorizontalAlignment(.Center)
myObj.setVerticalAlignment(.Center)

Alignment in Containing Element

myObj setHorizontalAlignment(Right)
myObj setVerticalAlignment(Bottom)

Sizing API

WKInterfaceObject

```
func setWidth(CGFloat)
func setHeight(CGFloat)

func setRelativeWidth(CGFloat, adjustment : CGFloat)
func setRelativeHeight(CGFloat, adjustment : CGFloat)

func sizeToFitWidth()
func sizeToFitHeight()
```



Sizing API

NEW

WKInterfaceObject

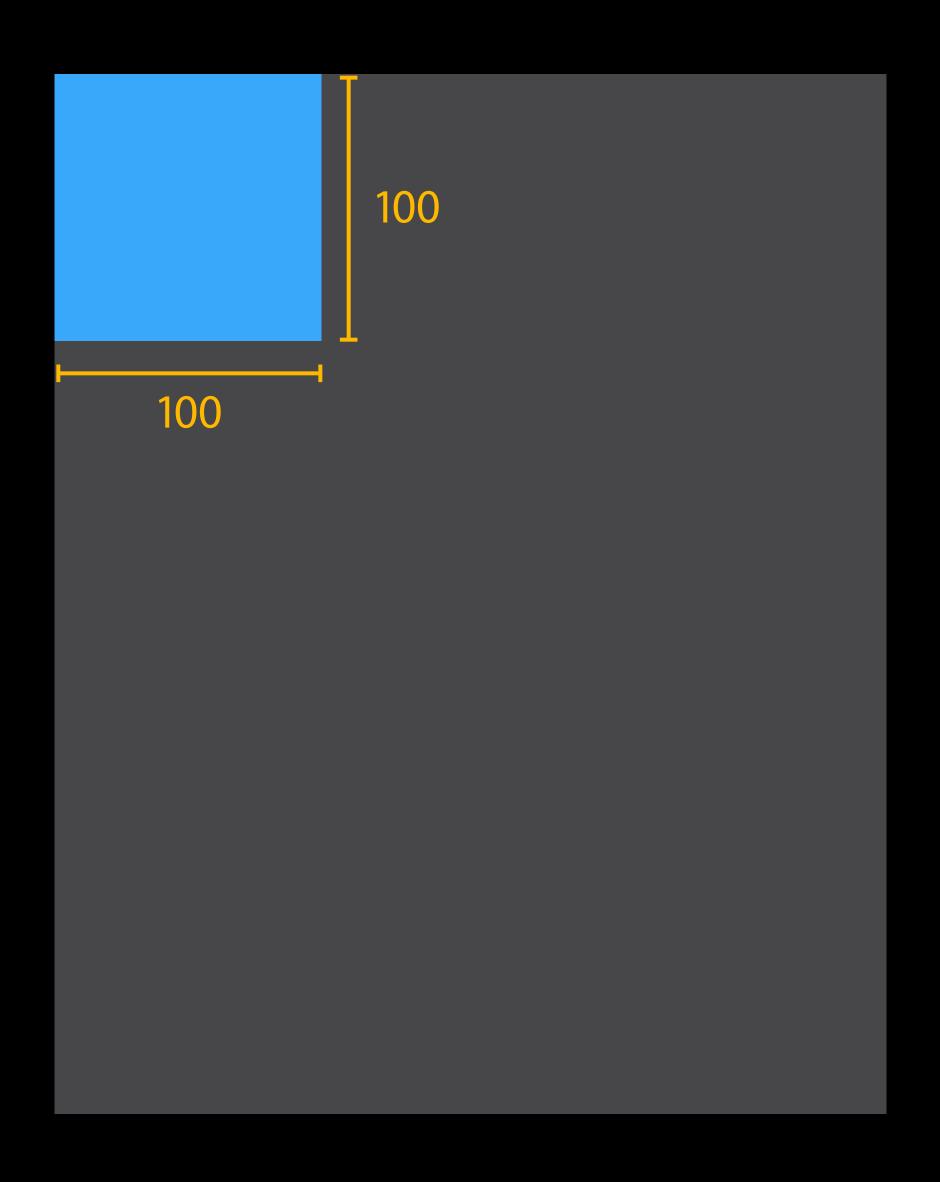
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Fixed Width and Height

```
myObj setWidth(100)
myObj setHeight(100)
```



Fixed Width and Height

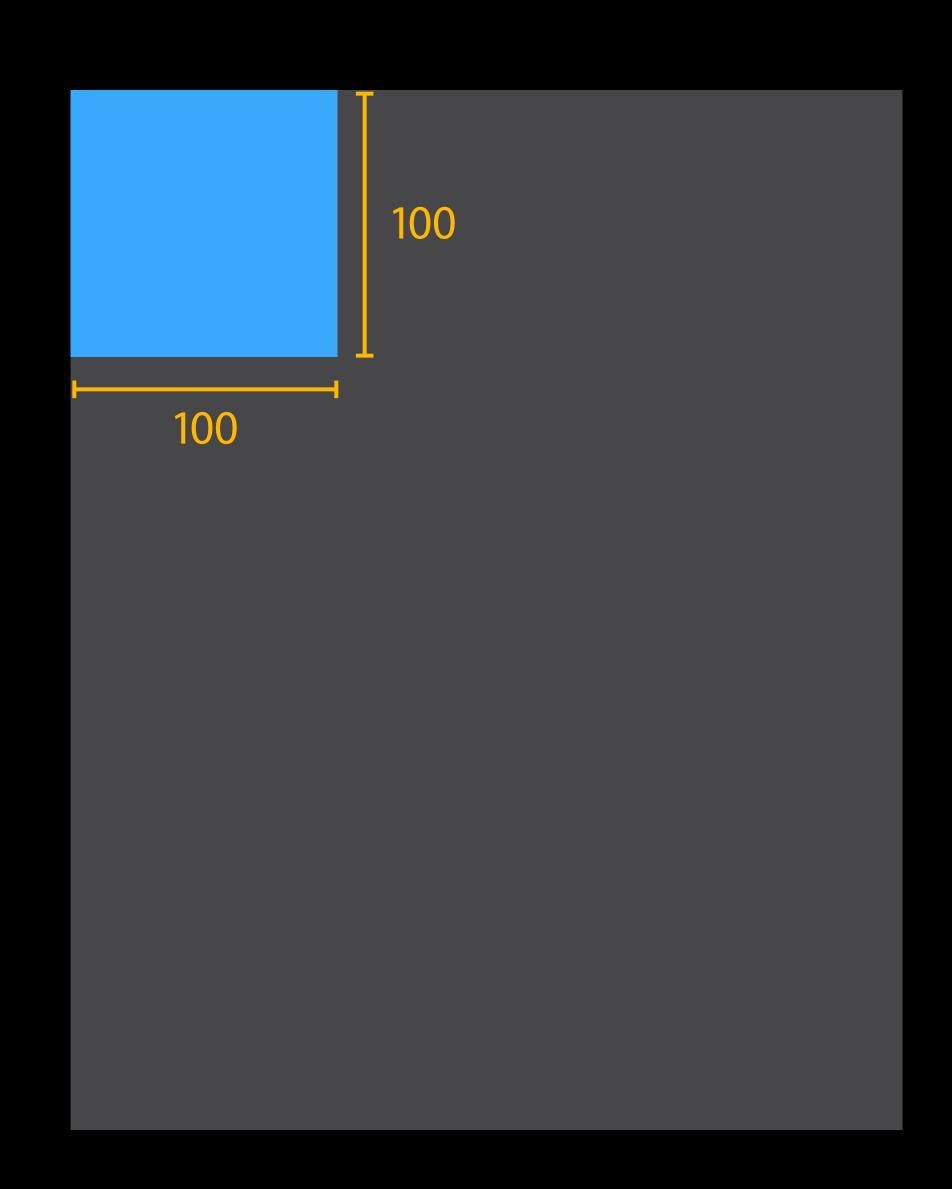
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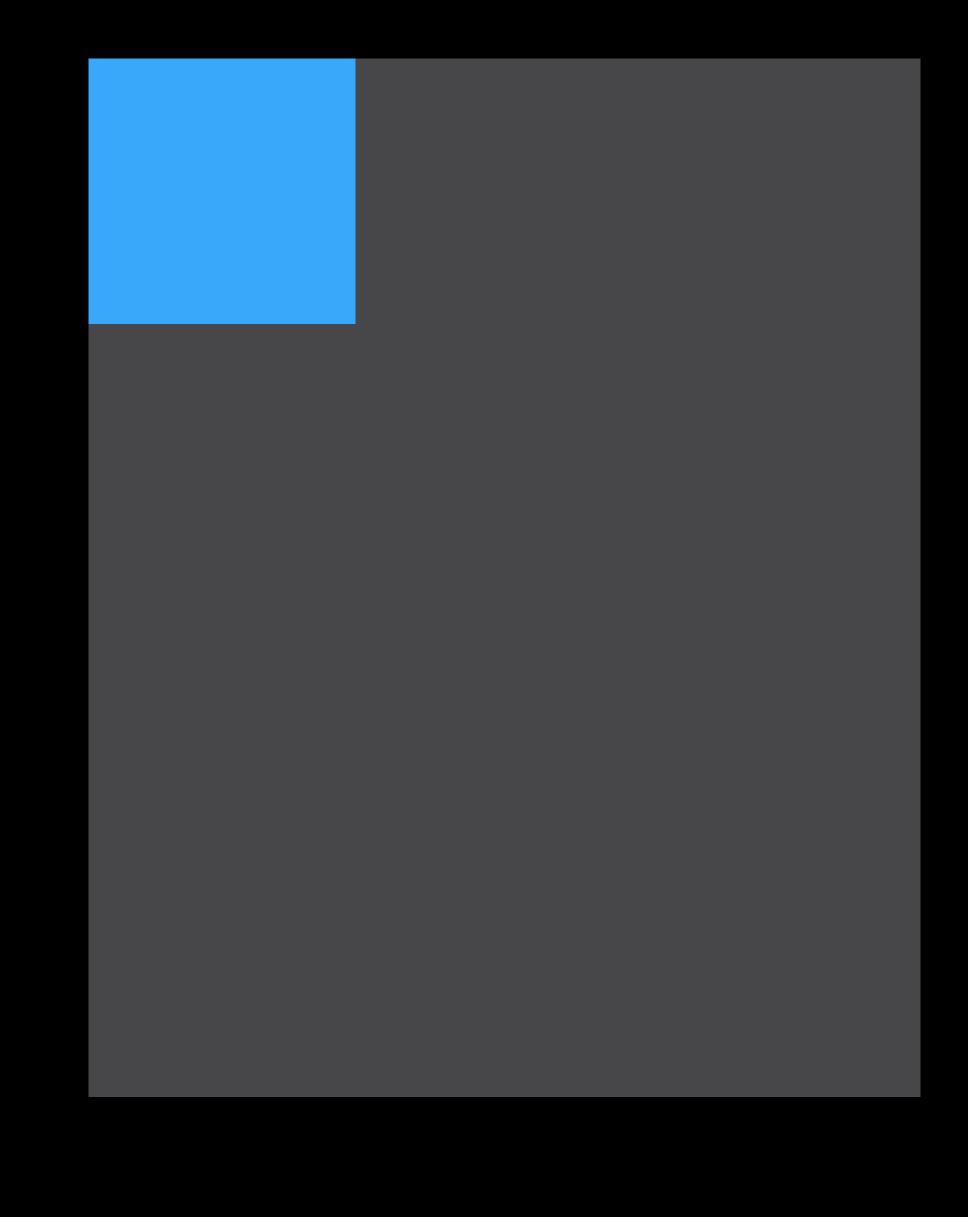
Interpreting values of zero

watchOS 1 - default to storyboard

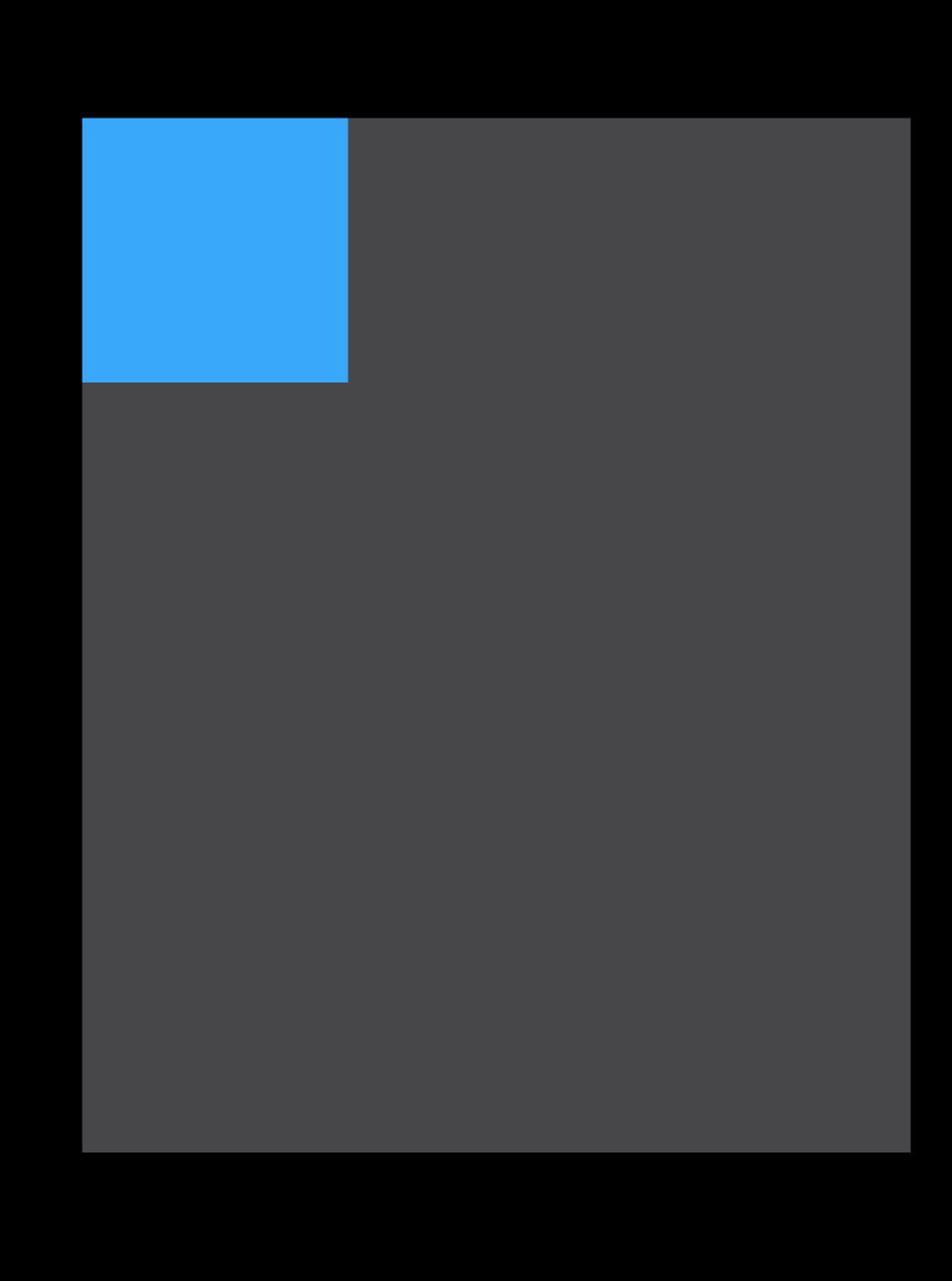
watchOS 2 - zero value



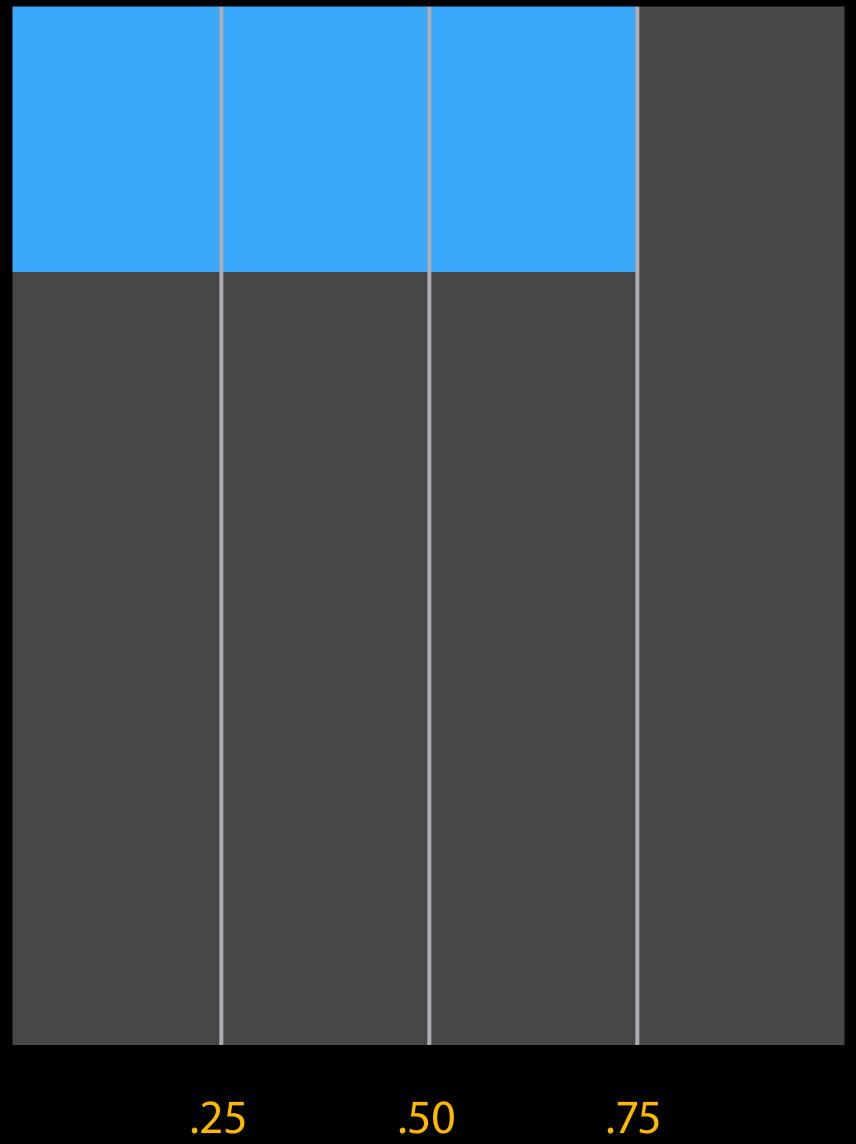




myObj setRelativeWidth(0.75, 0)



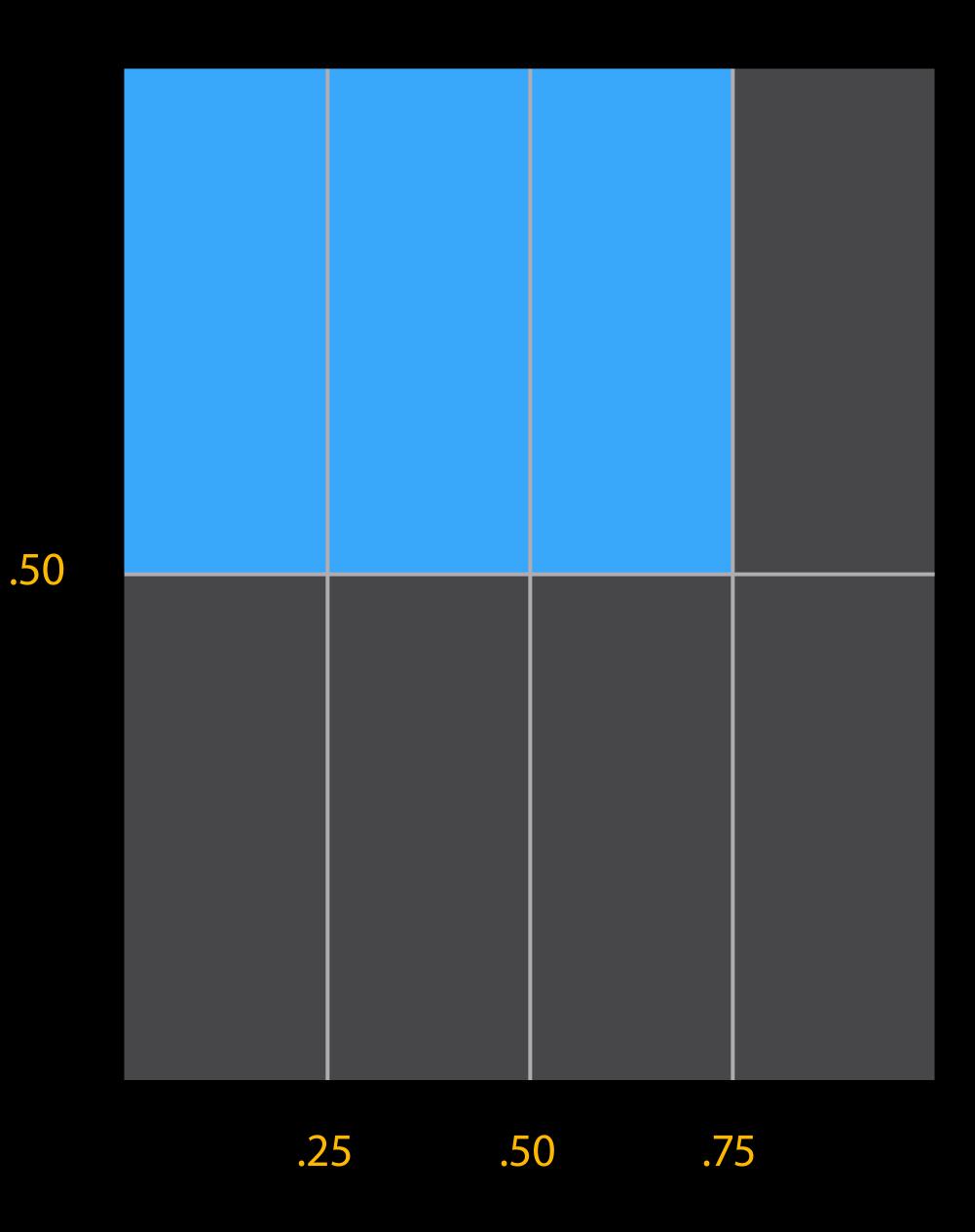
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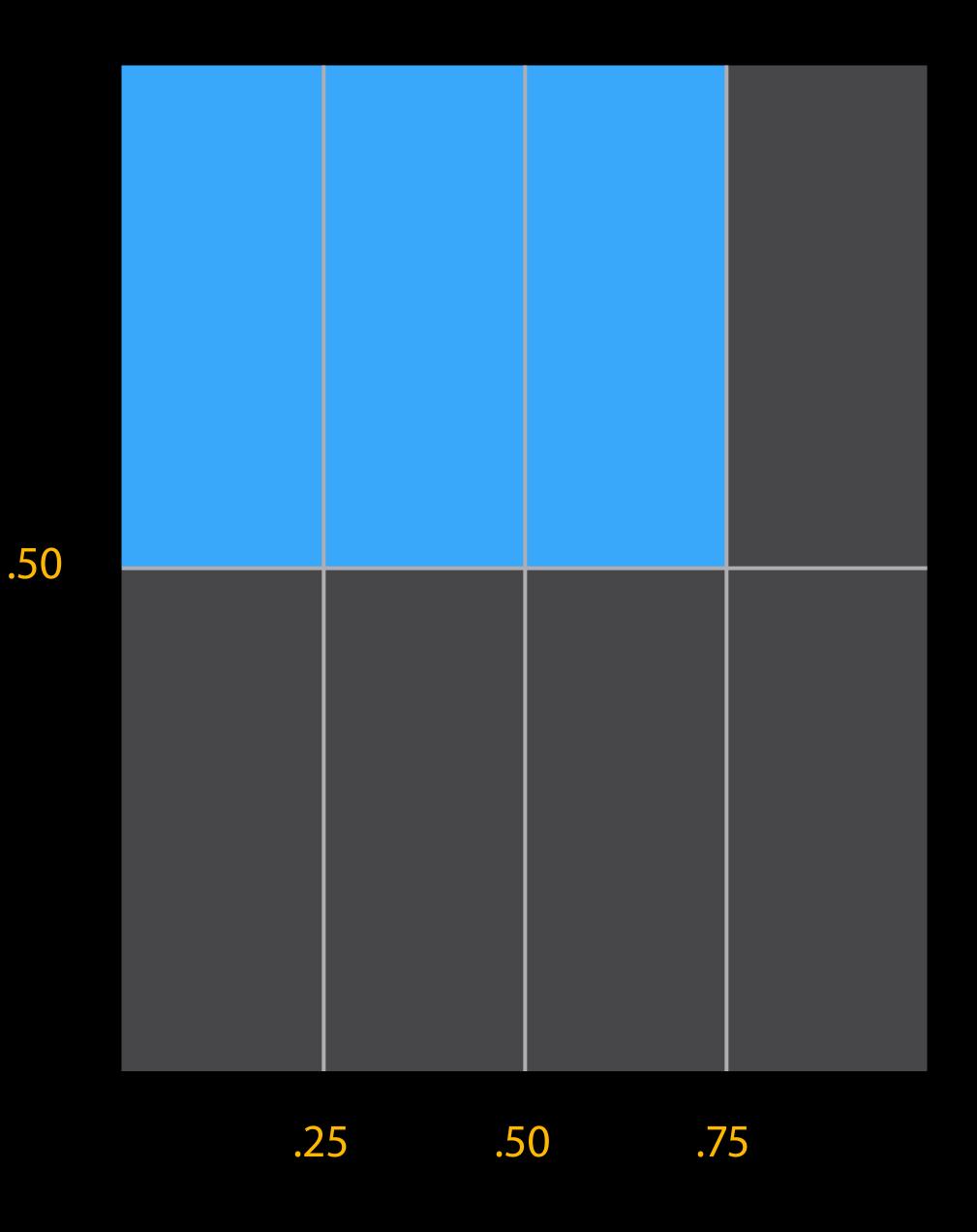
myObj setRelativeHeight(0.50, 0)



Adjustment Adds/Subtracts from Size

myObj setRelativeWidth(0.75, 30)

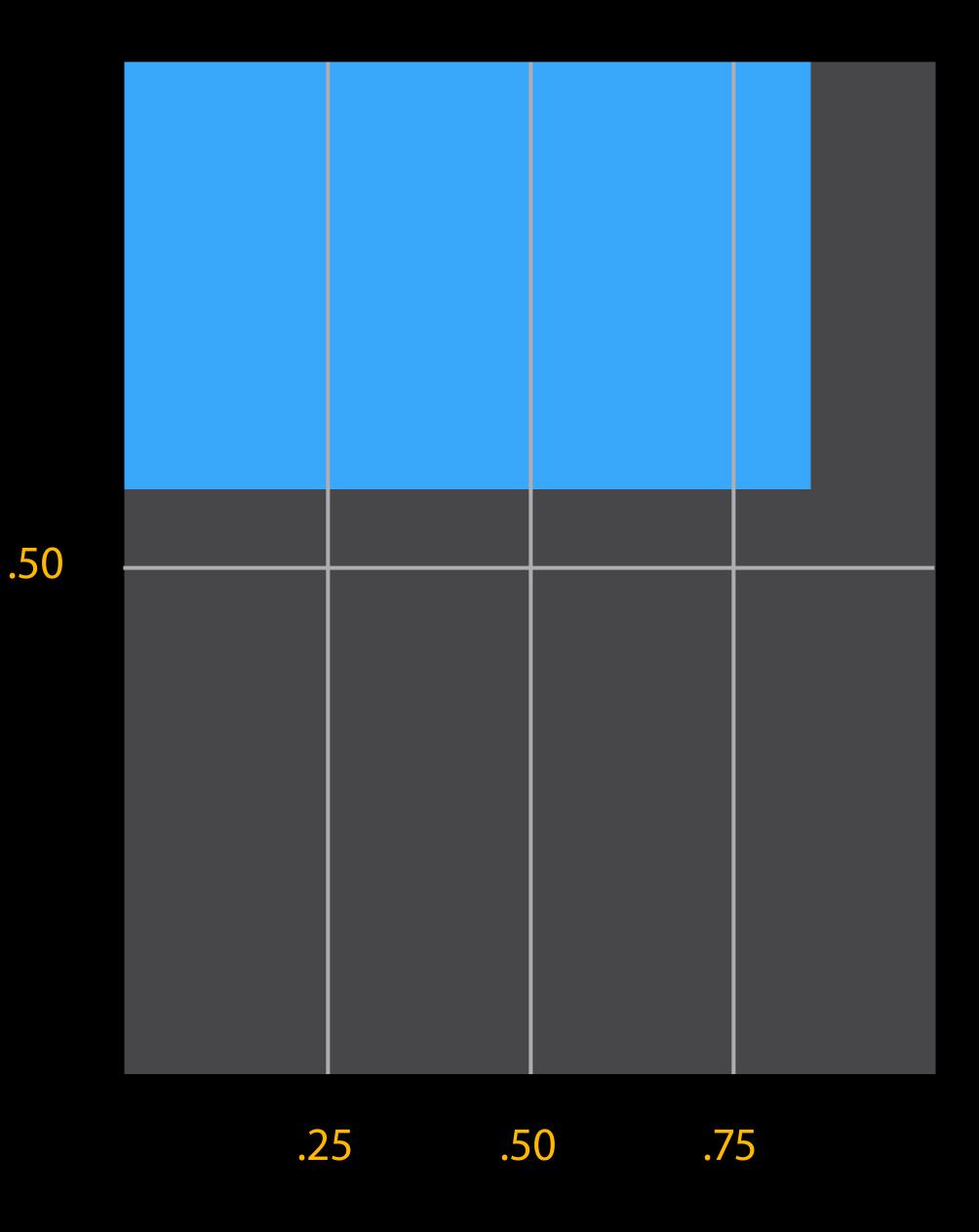
myObj setRelativeHeight(0.50, -30)



Adjustment Adds/Subtracts from Size

myObj.setRelativeWidth(0.75, 30)

myObj setRelativeHeight(0.50, -30)



Sized-to-Fit Content

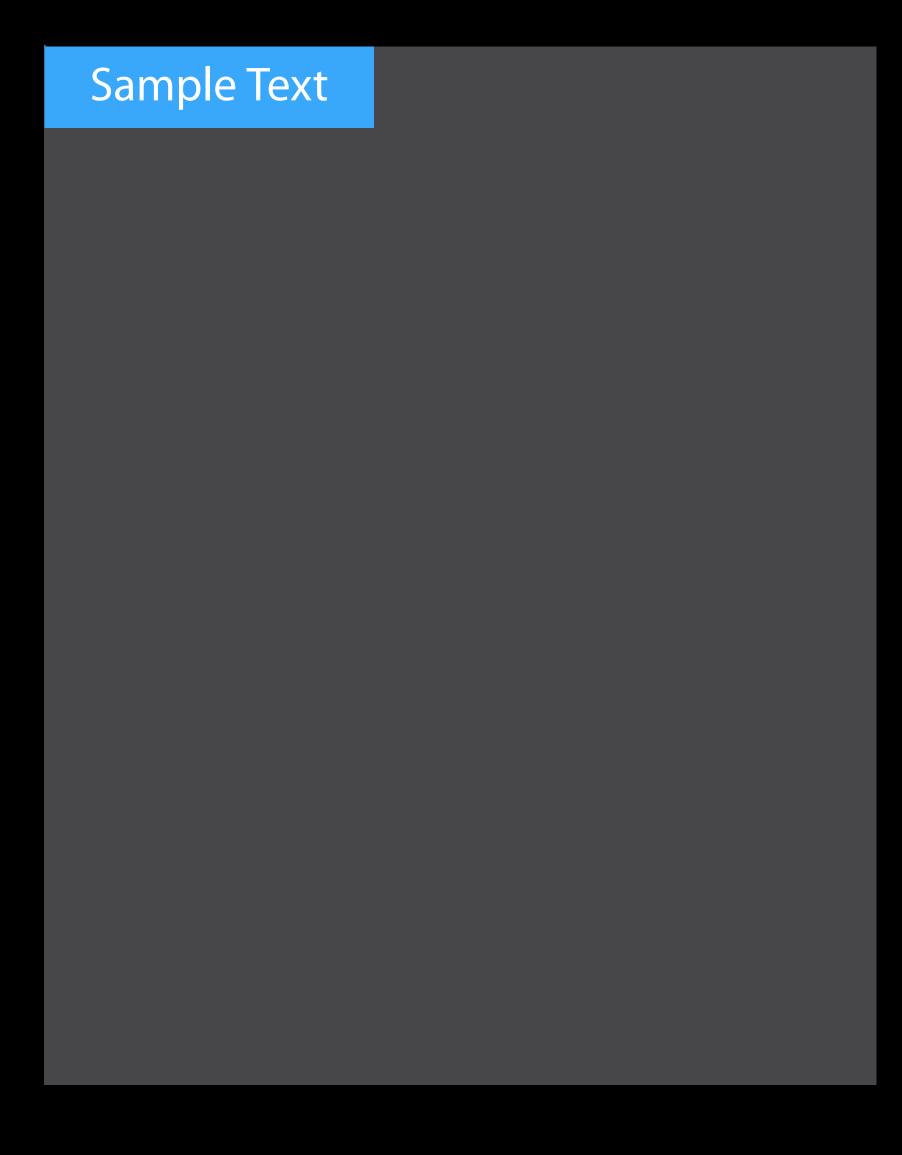
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Group Elements

Fine tuning your layouts

Container without default content

Container without default content

Tool for arranging elements

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Tool for arranging elements

Vertical or horizontal flow

Container without default content

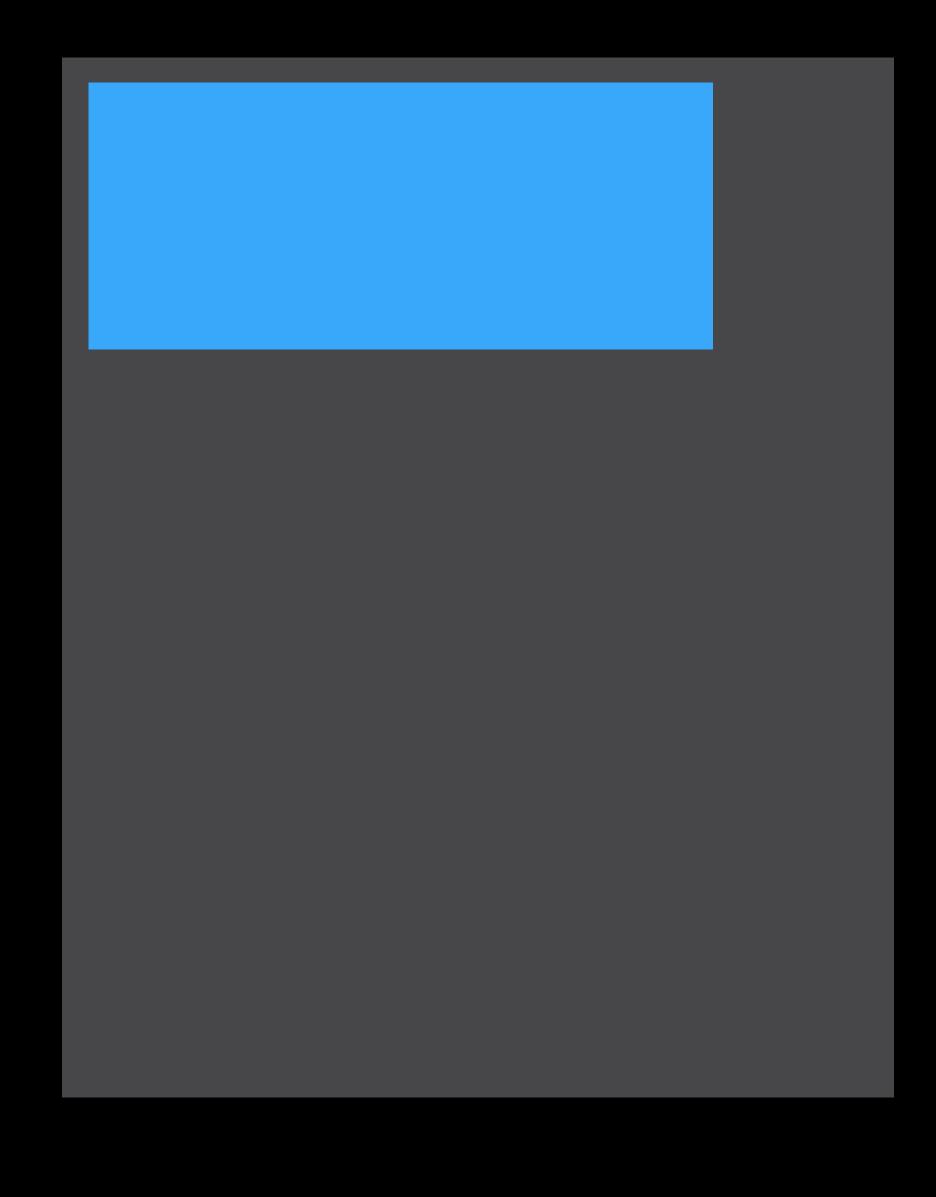
Tool for arranging elements

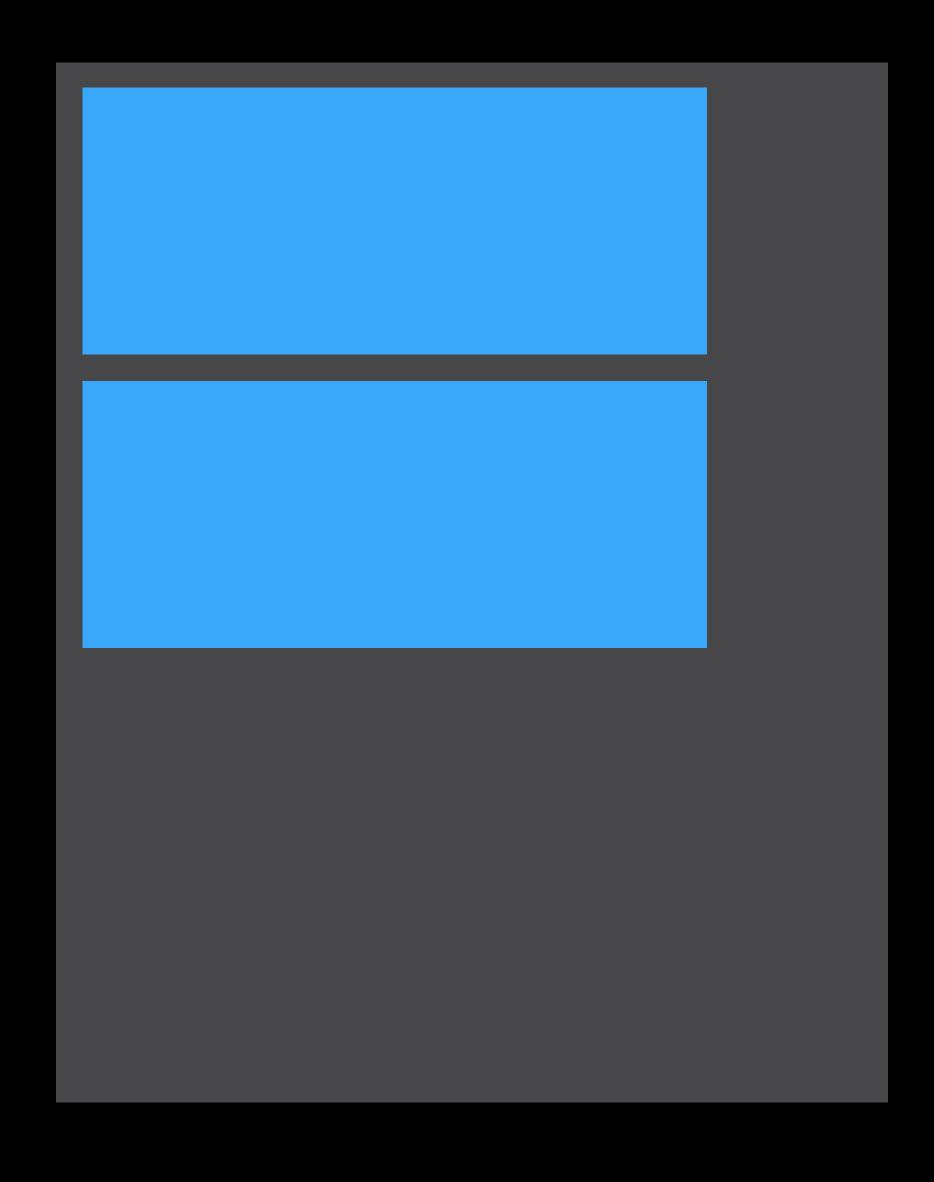
- Vertical or horizontal flow
- Nesting (including other groups)

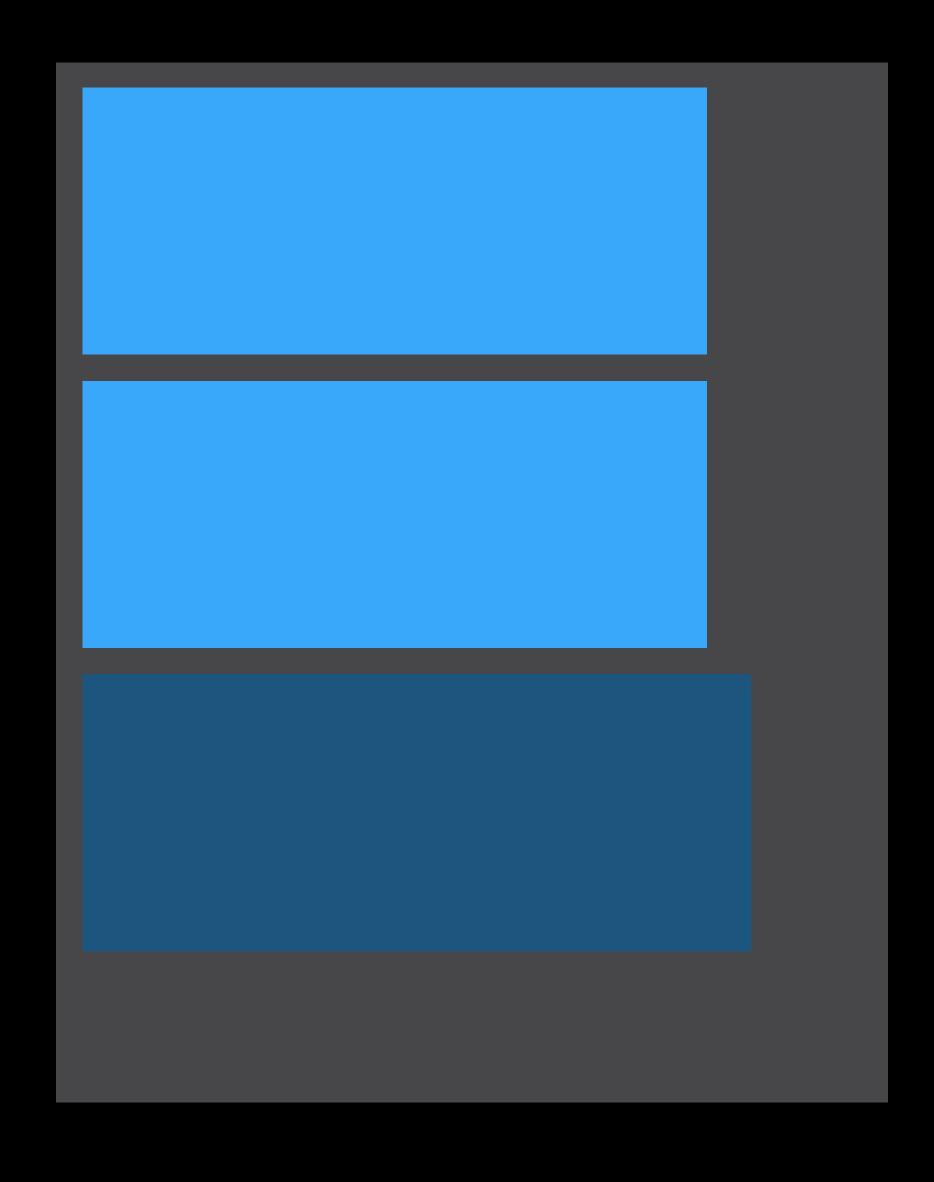
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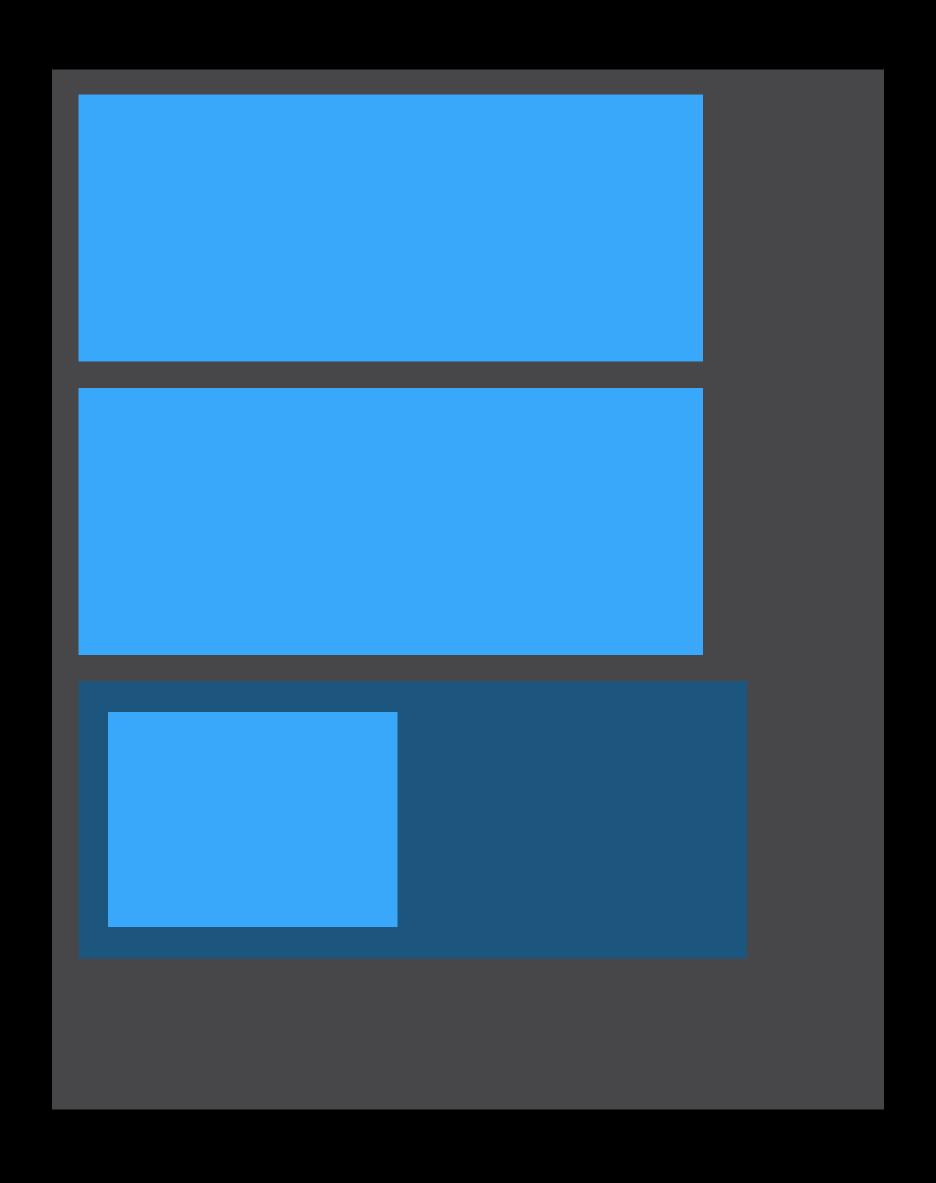
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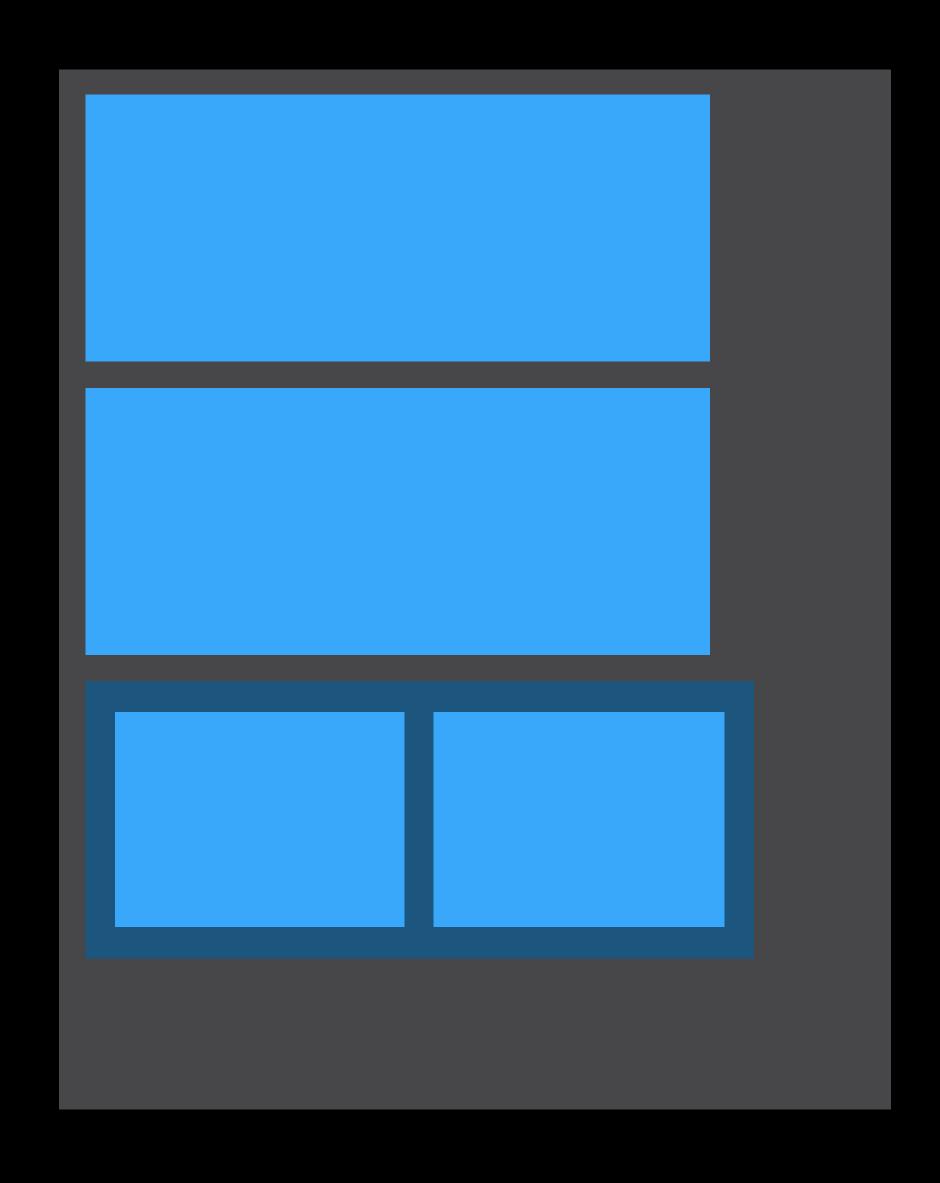
- Vertical or horizontal flow
- Nesting (including other groups)
- Fine control of alignment and sizing

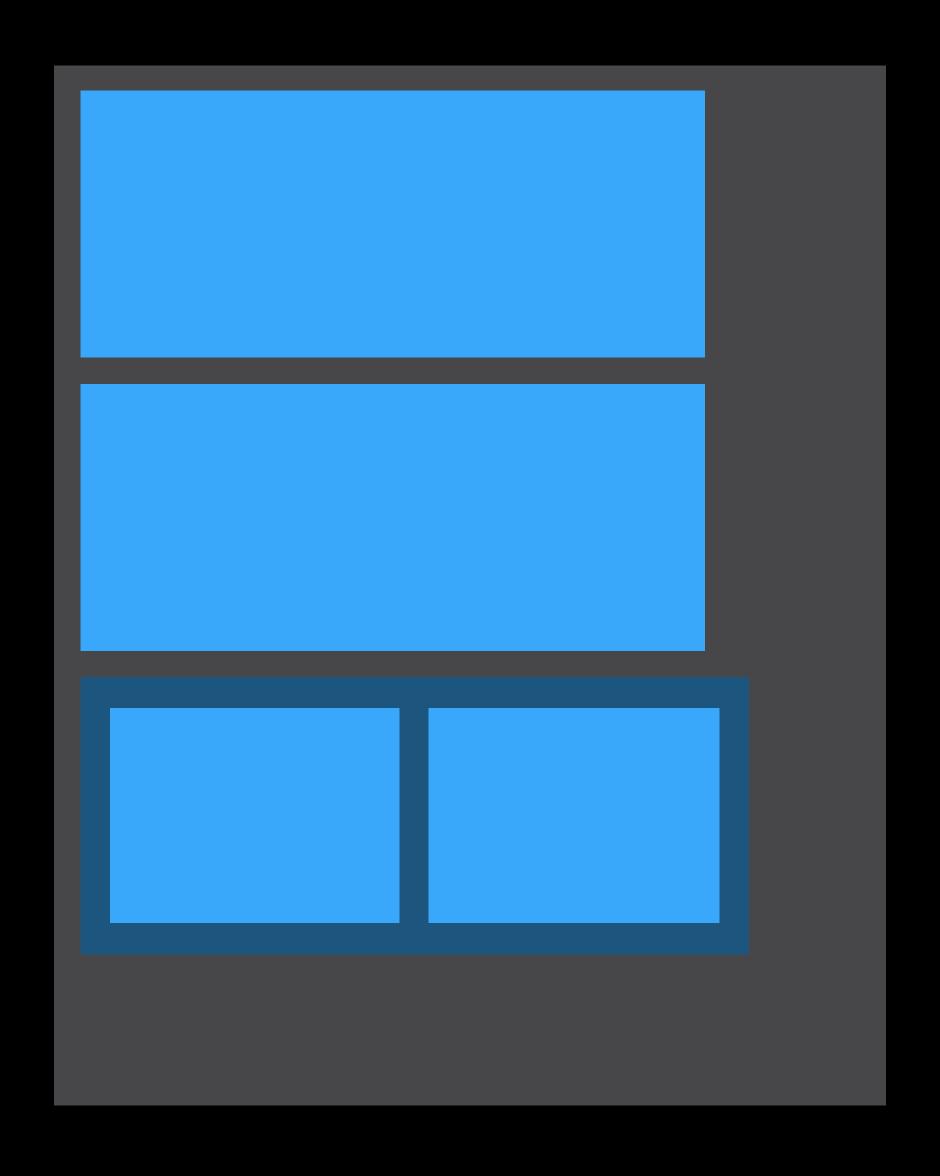


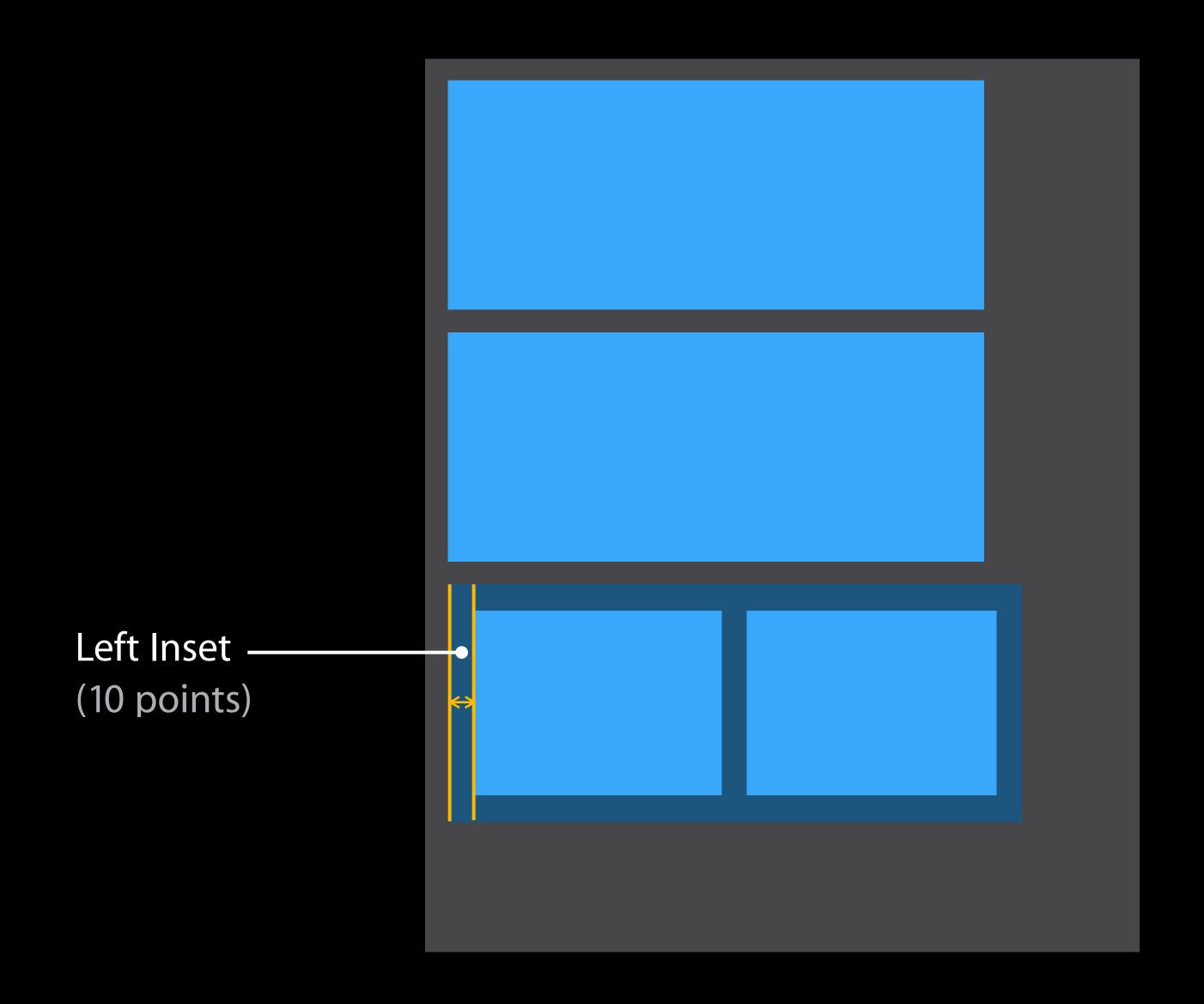


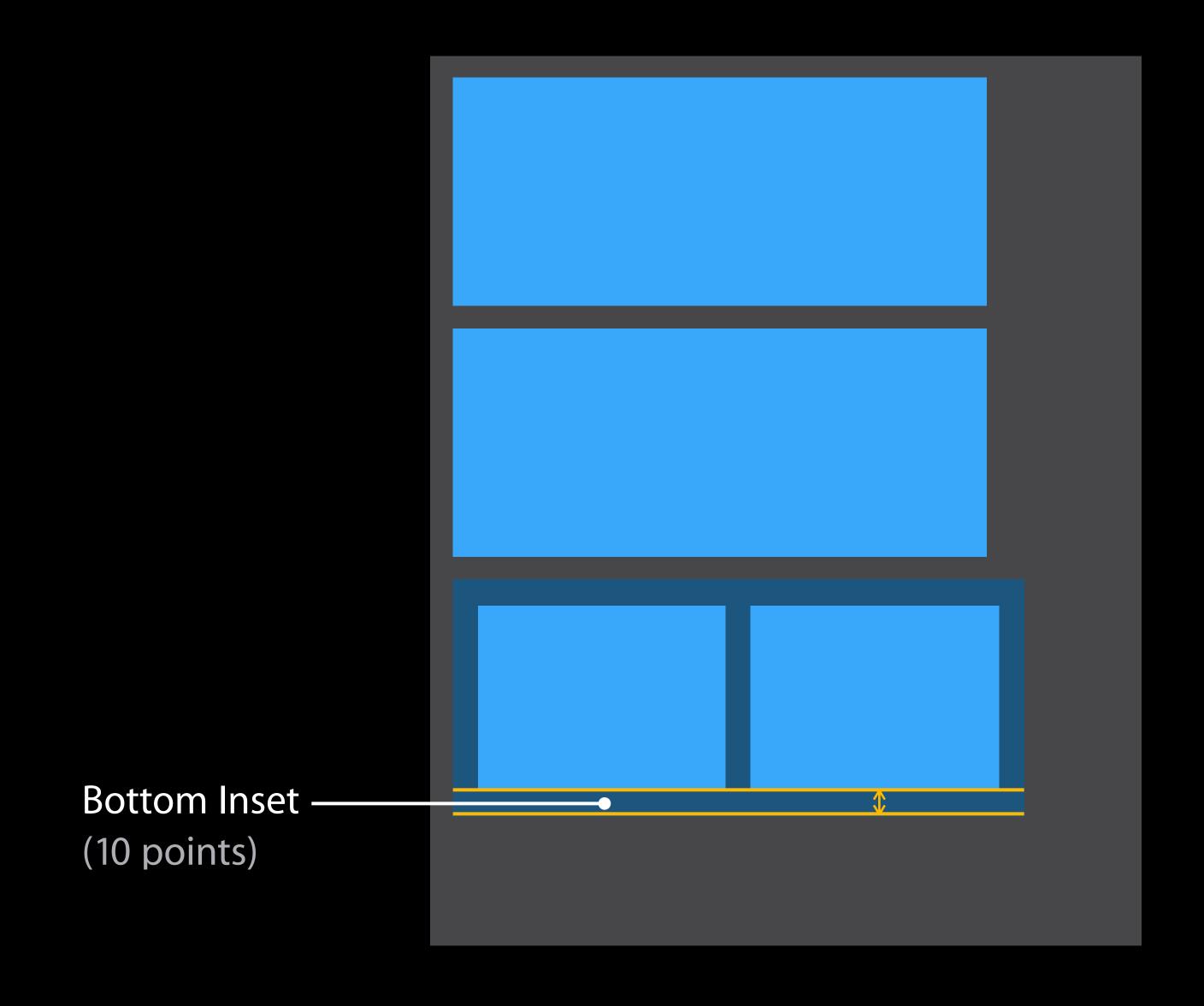


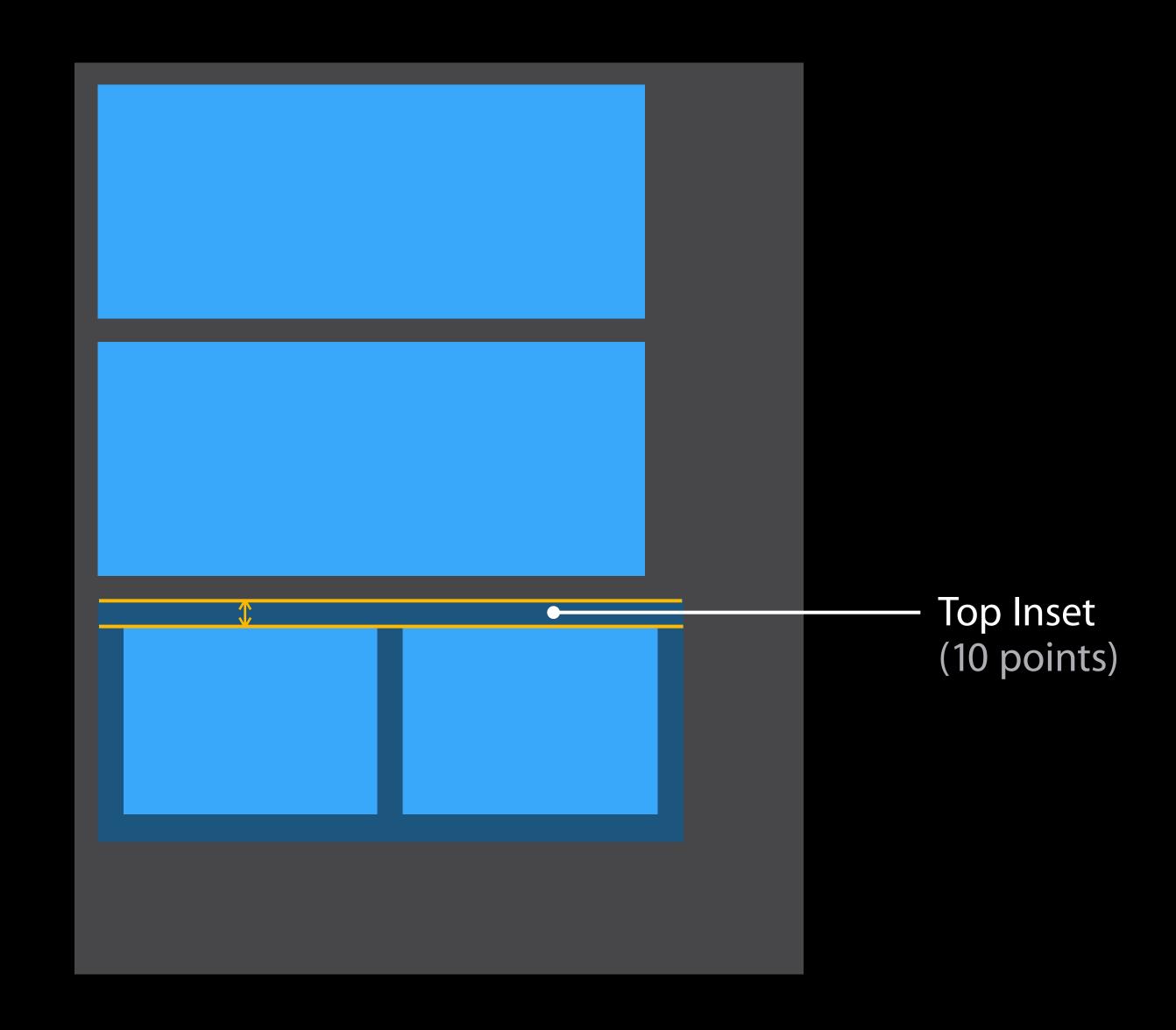


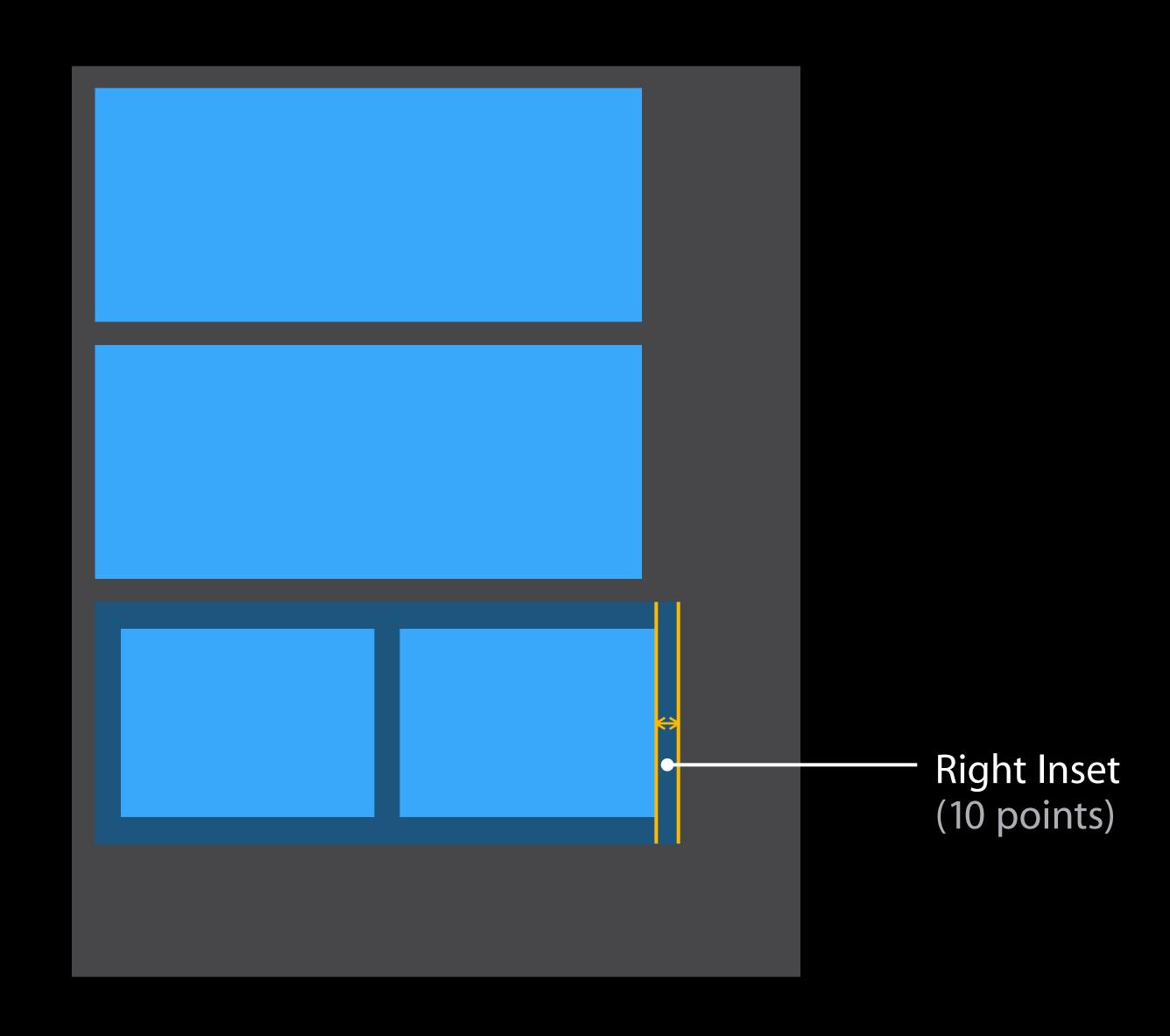


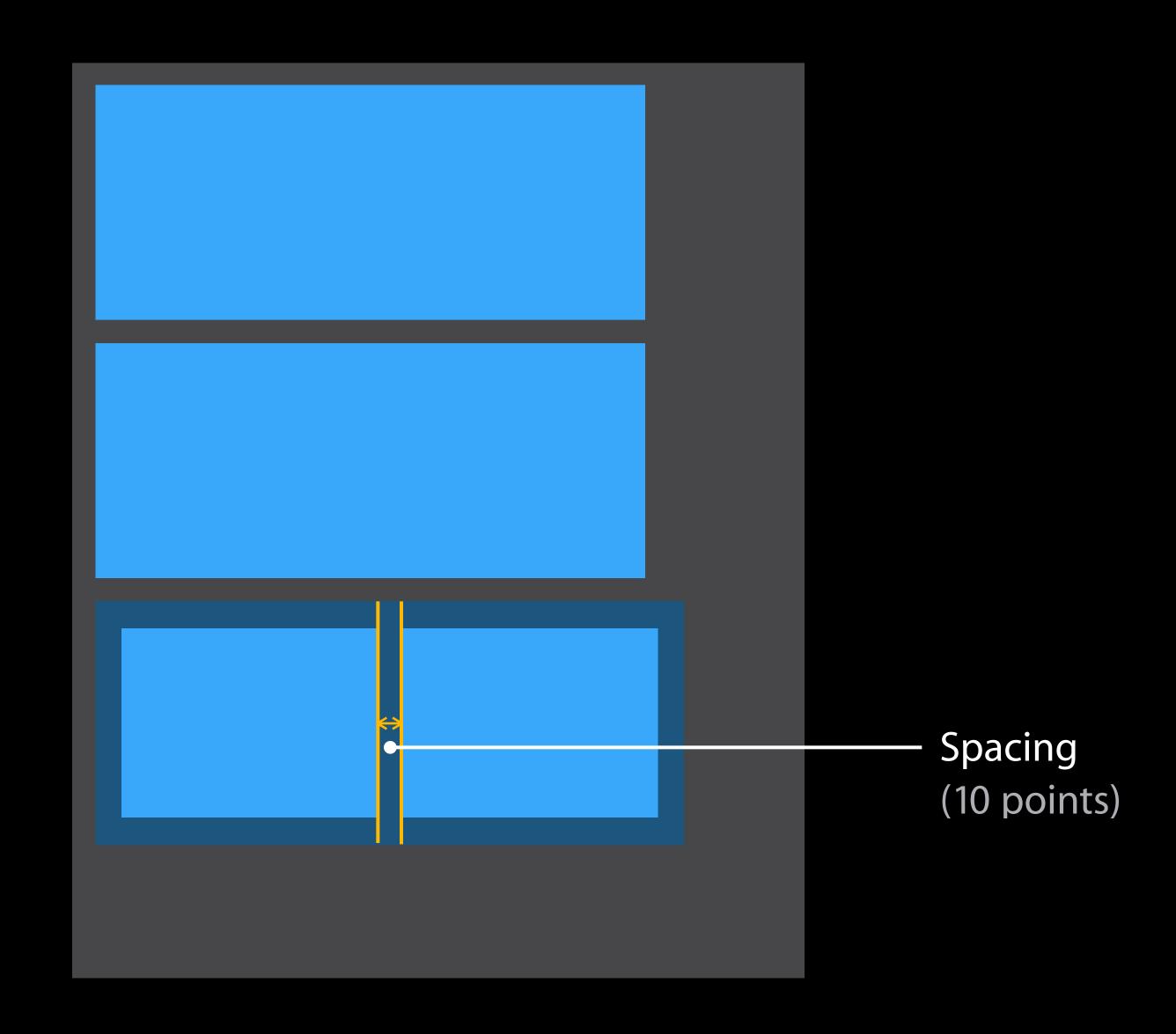


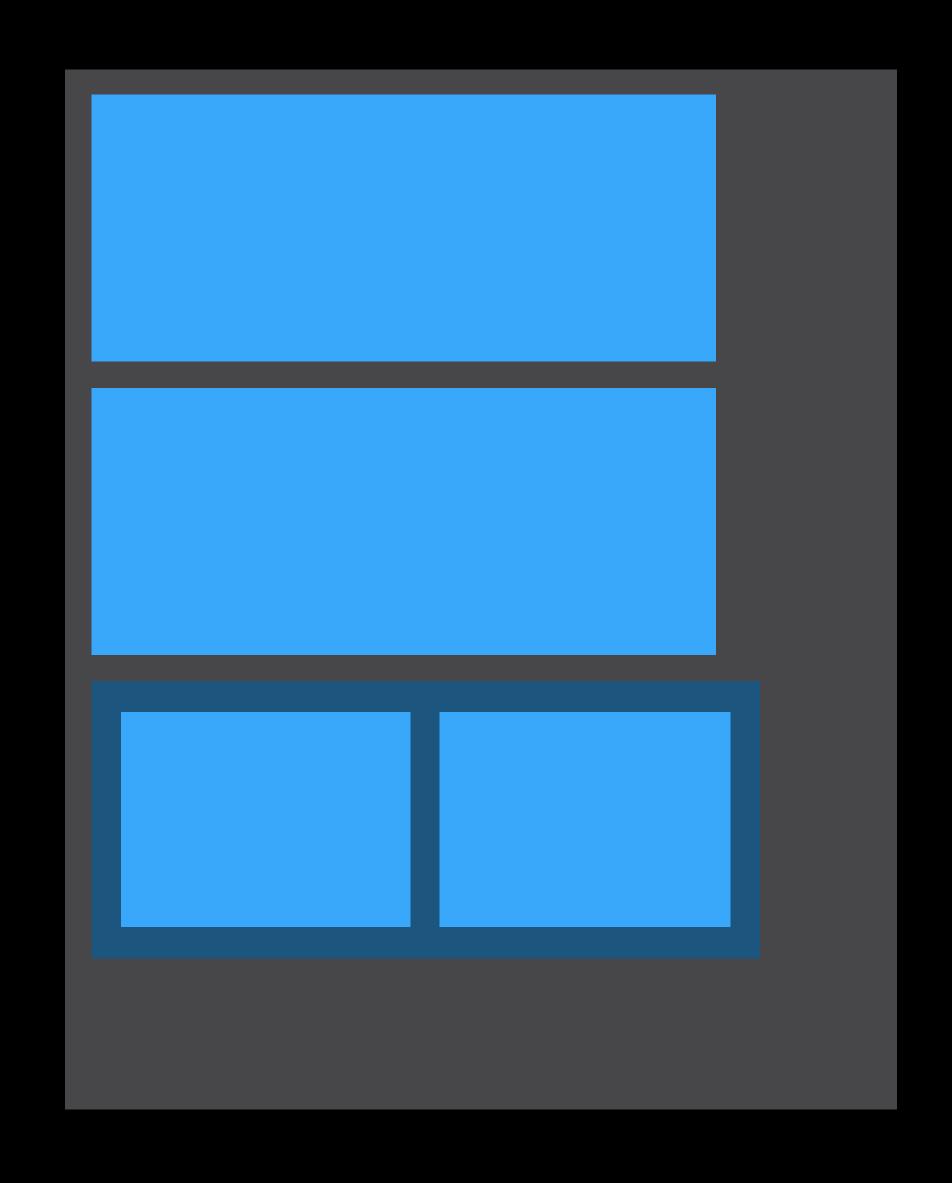


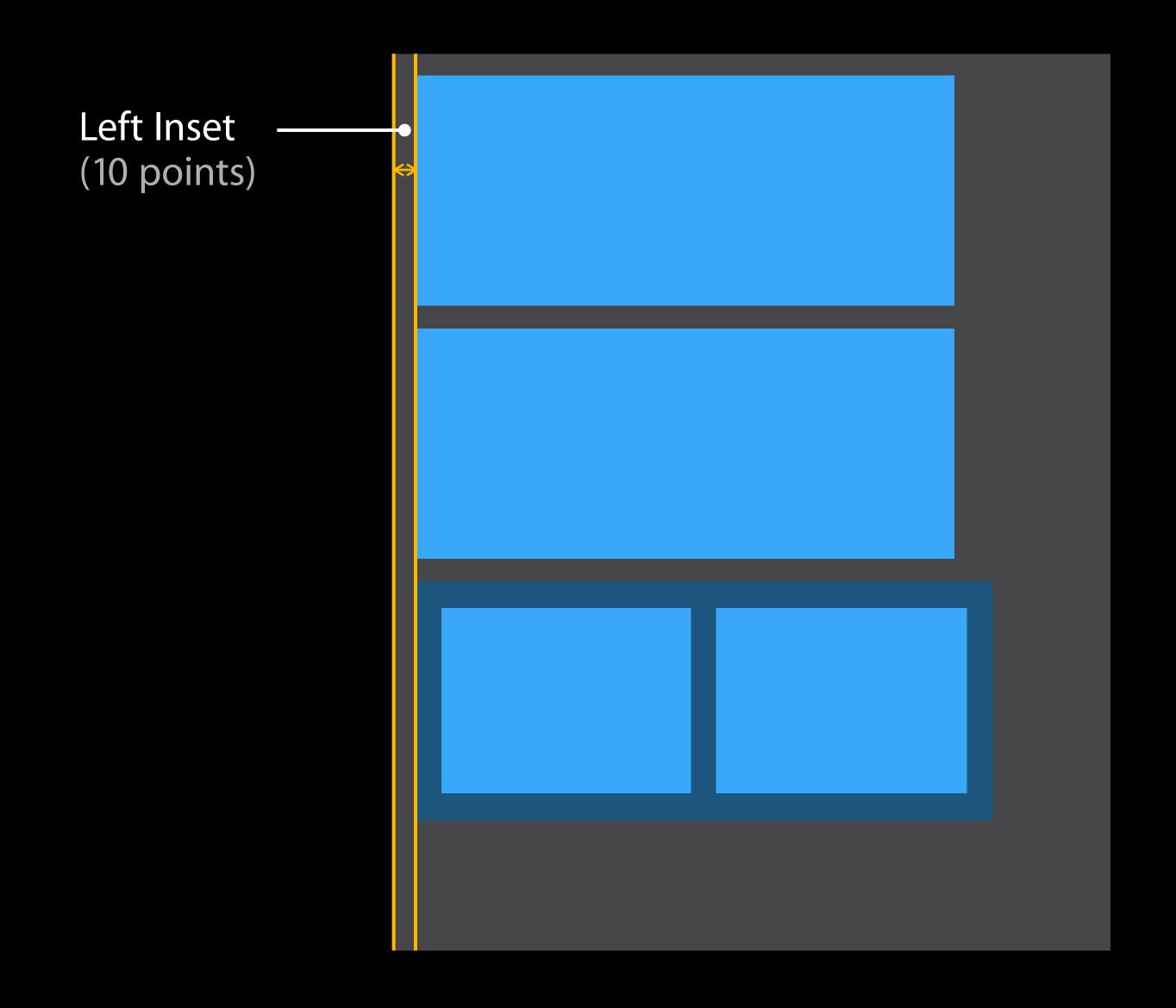


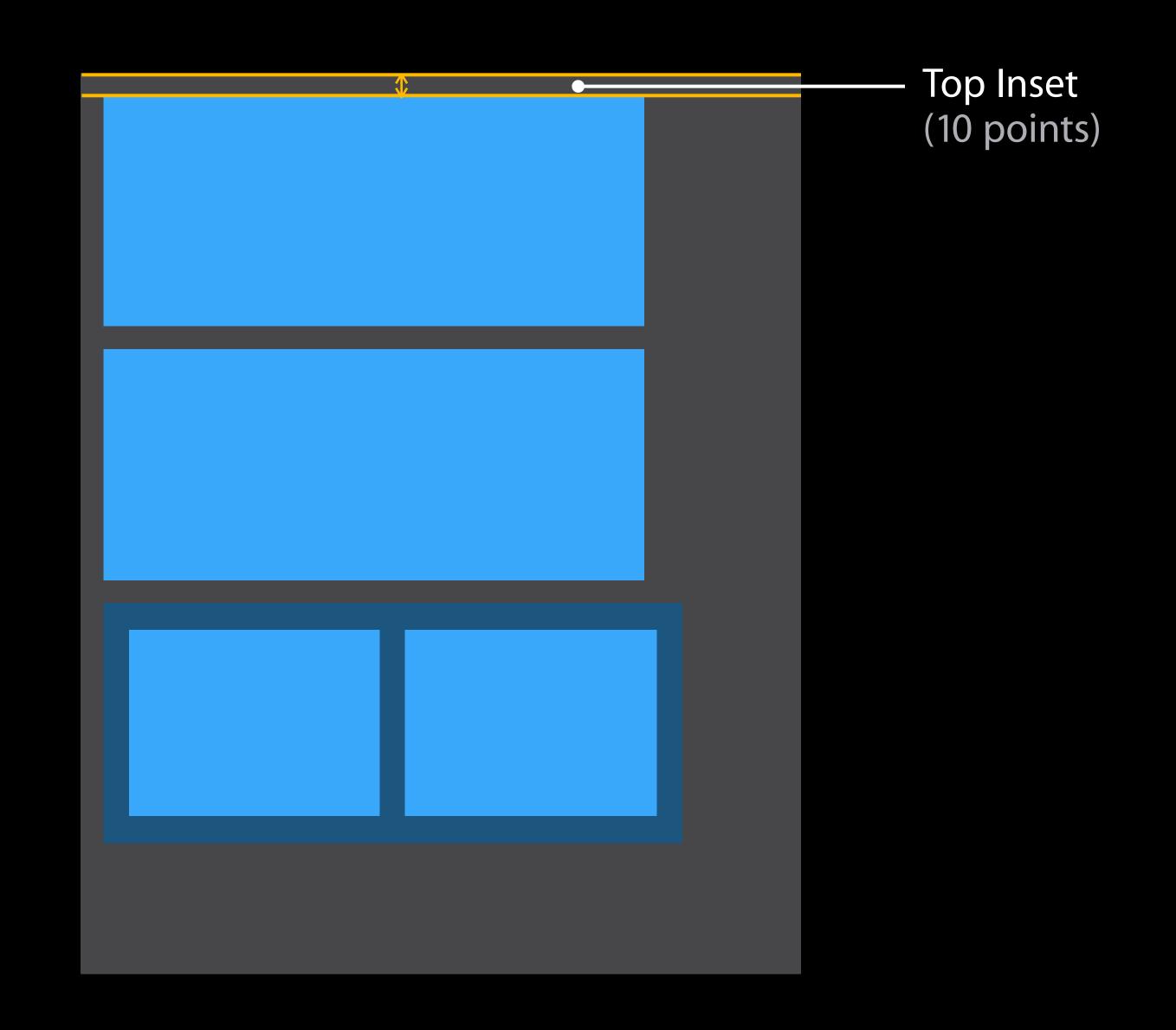


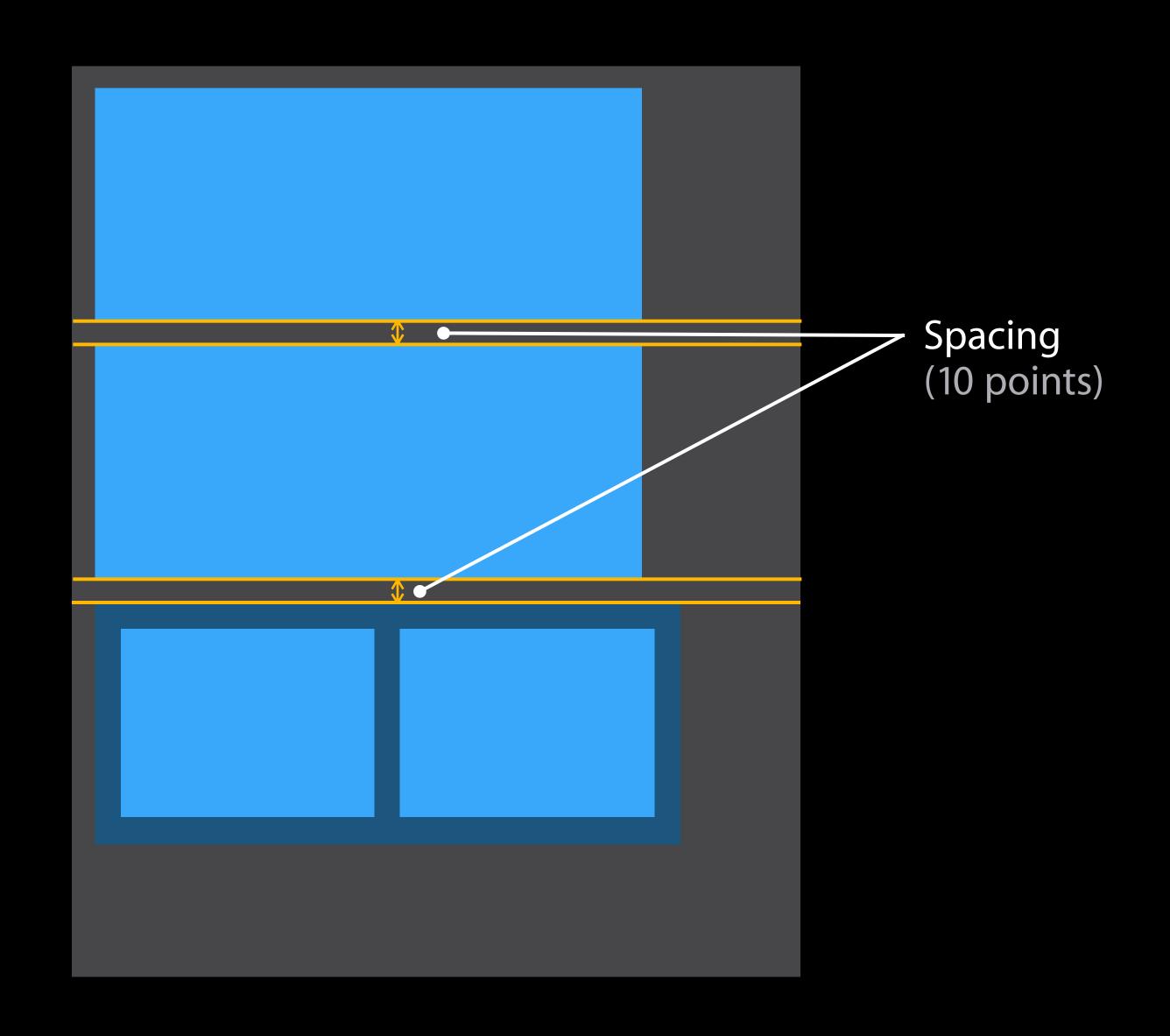


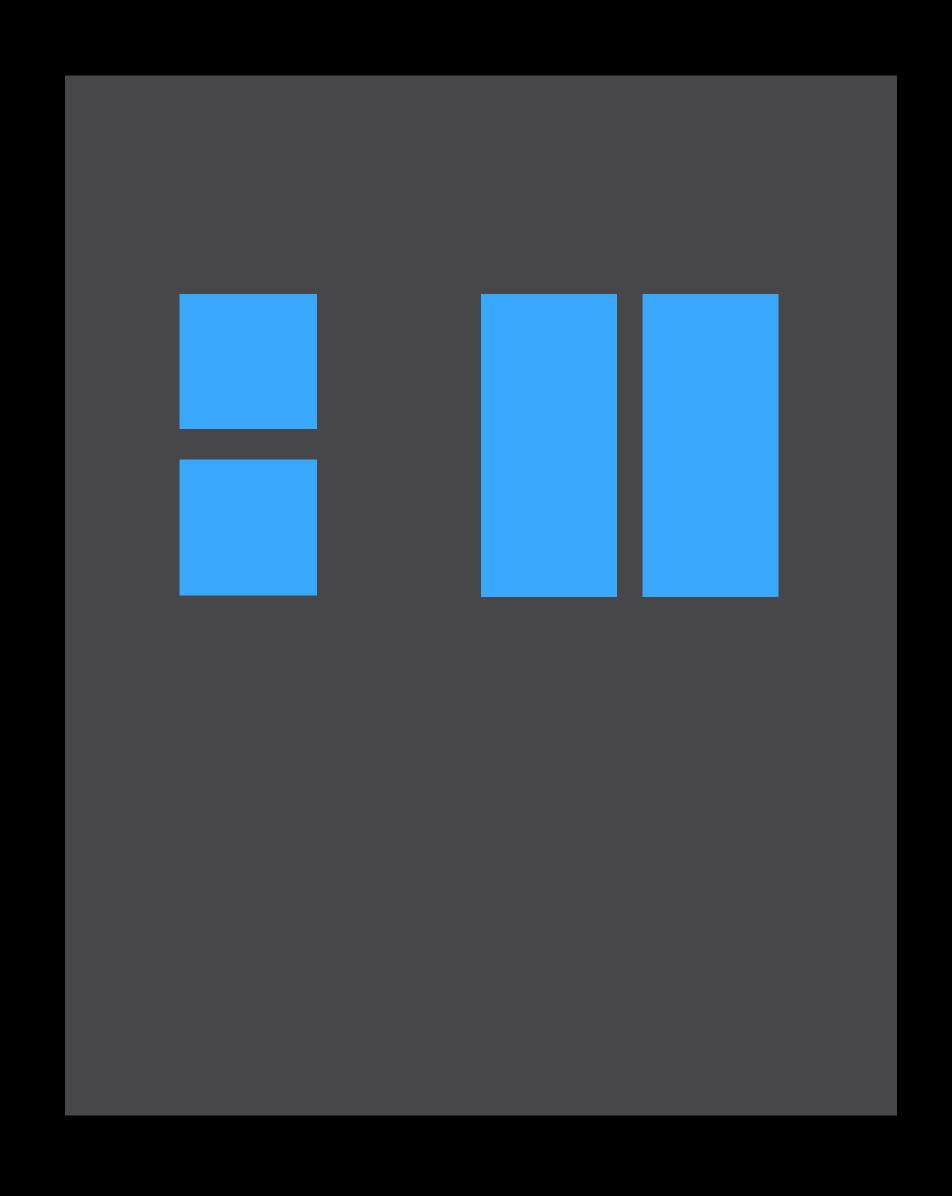


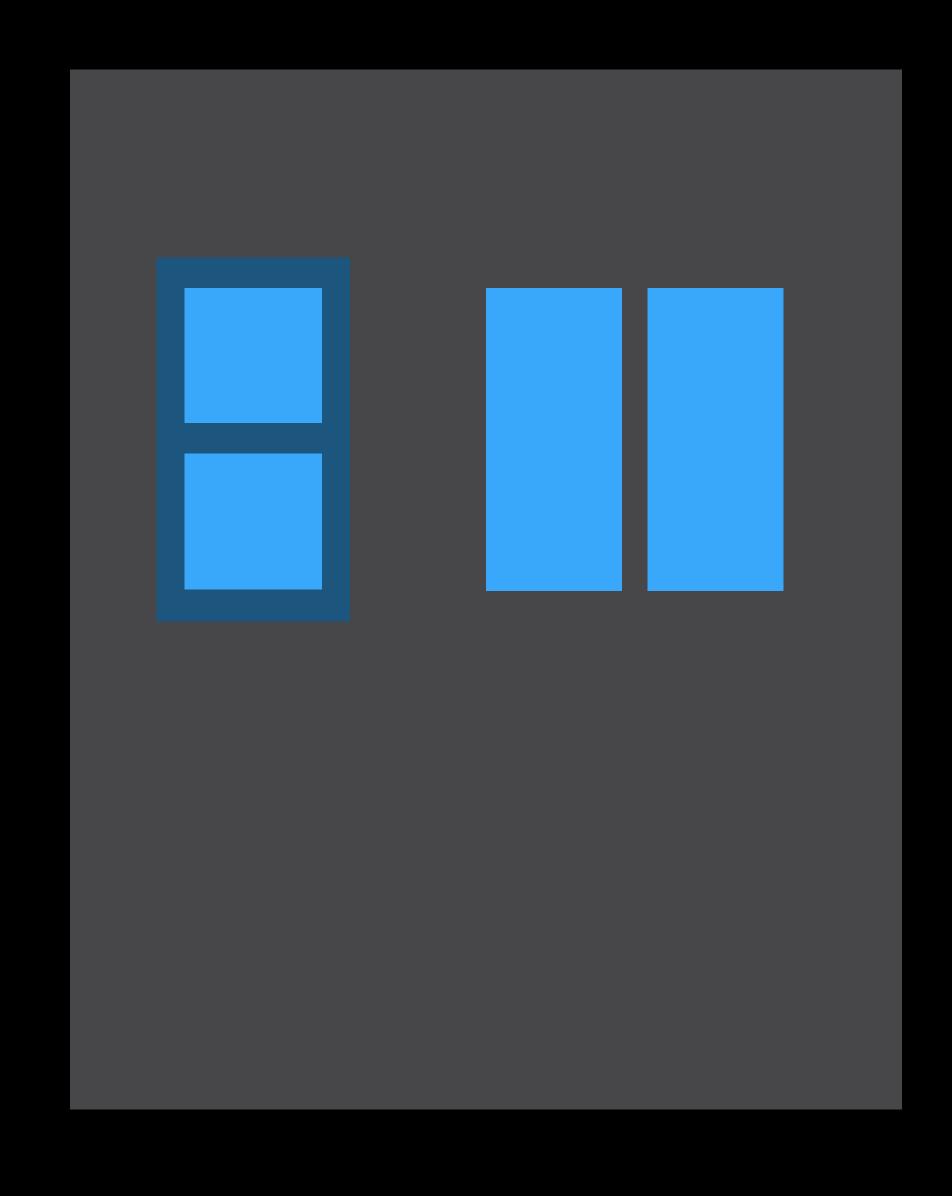


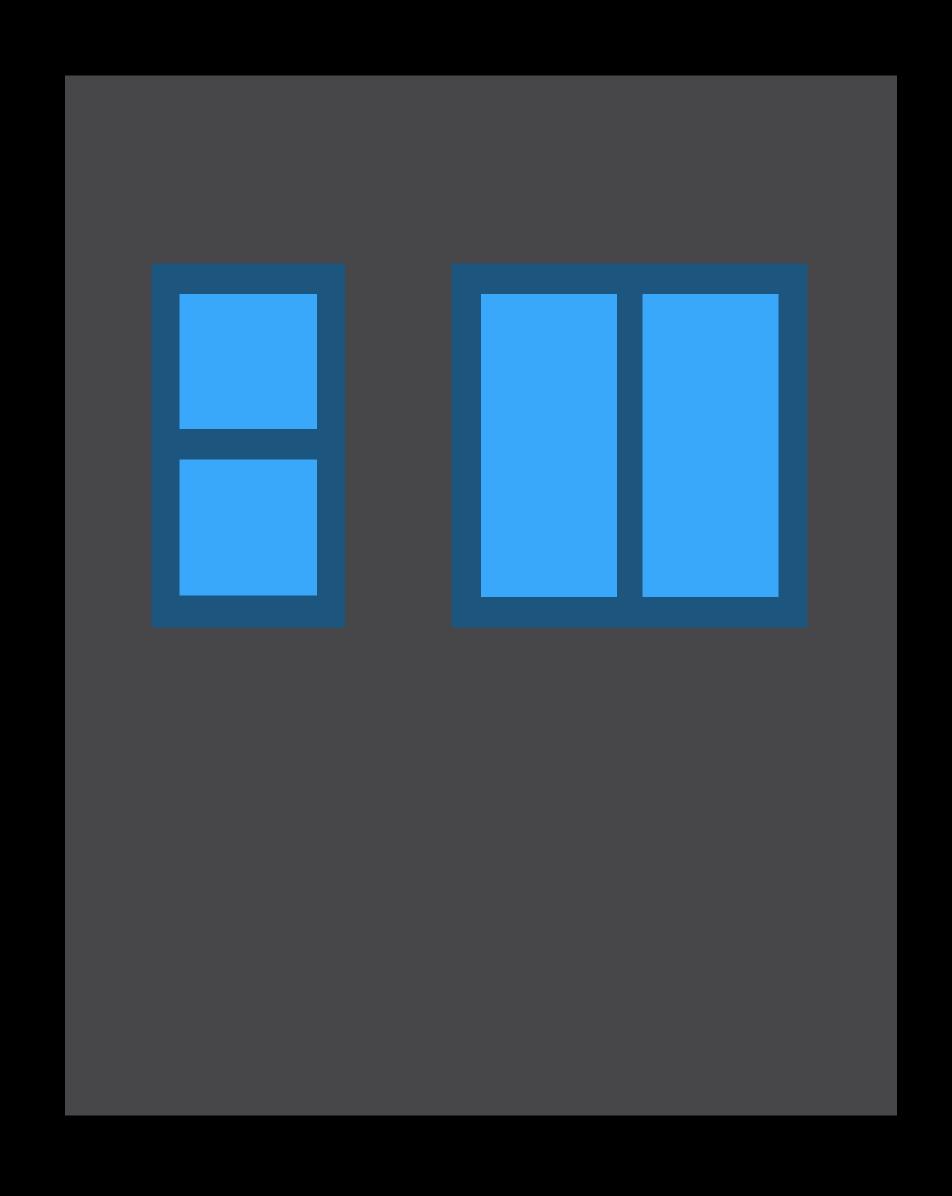


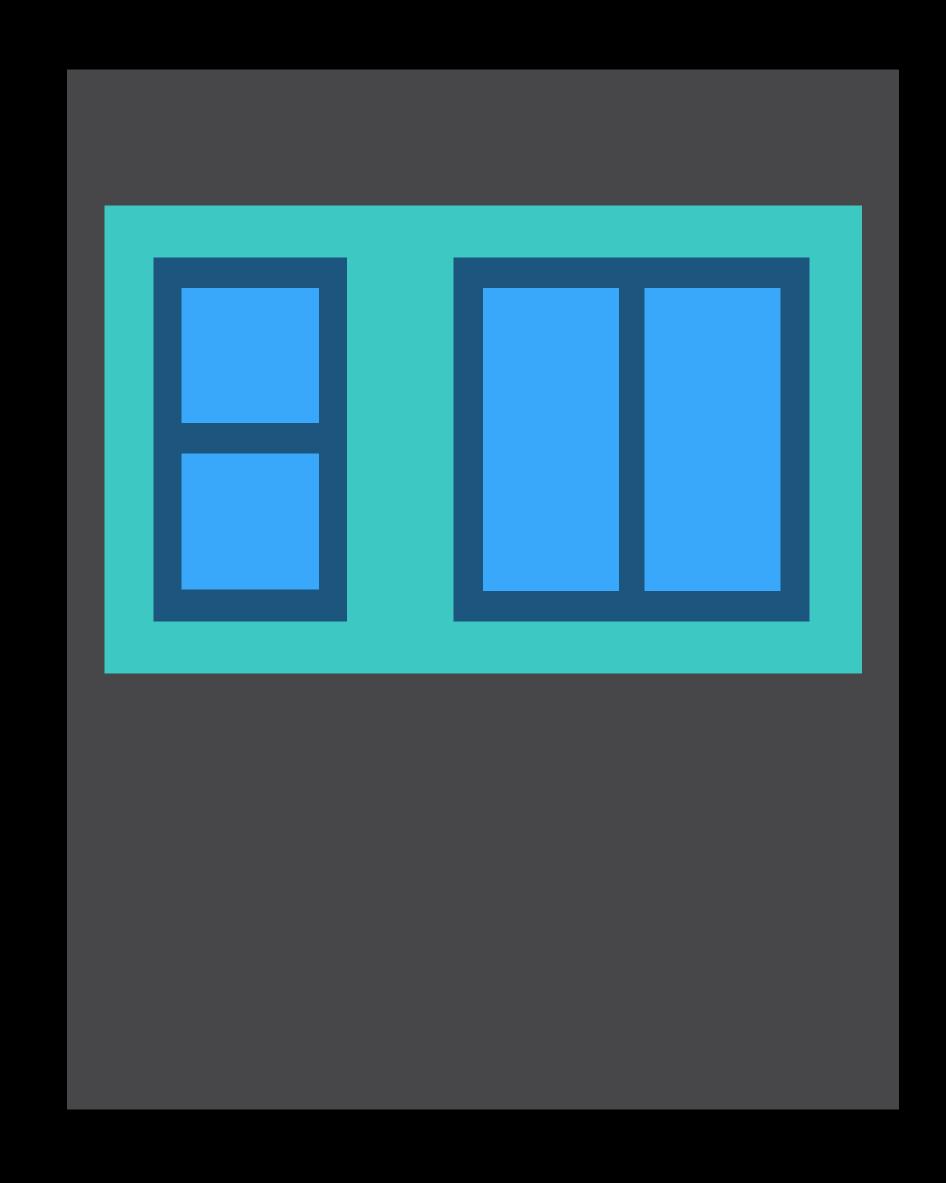












Layouts in WKRecipes

WKRecipes Recipe Viewer



WKRecipes Ingredients



WKRecipes Servings



Let's Explore Three Layouts



Table Rows



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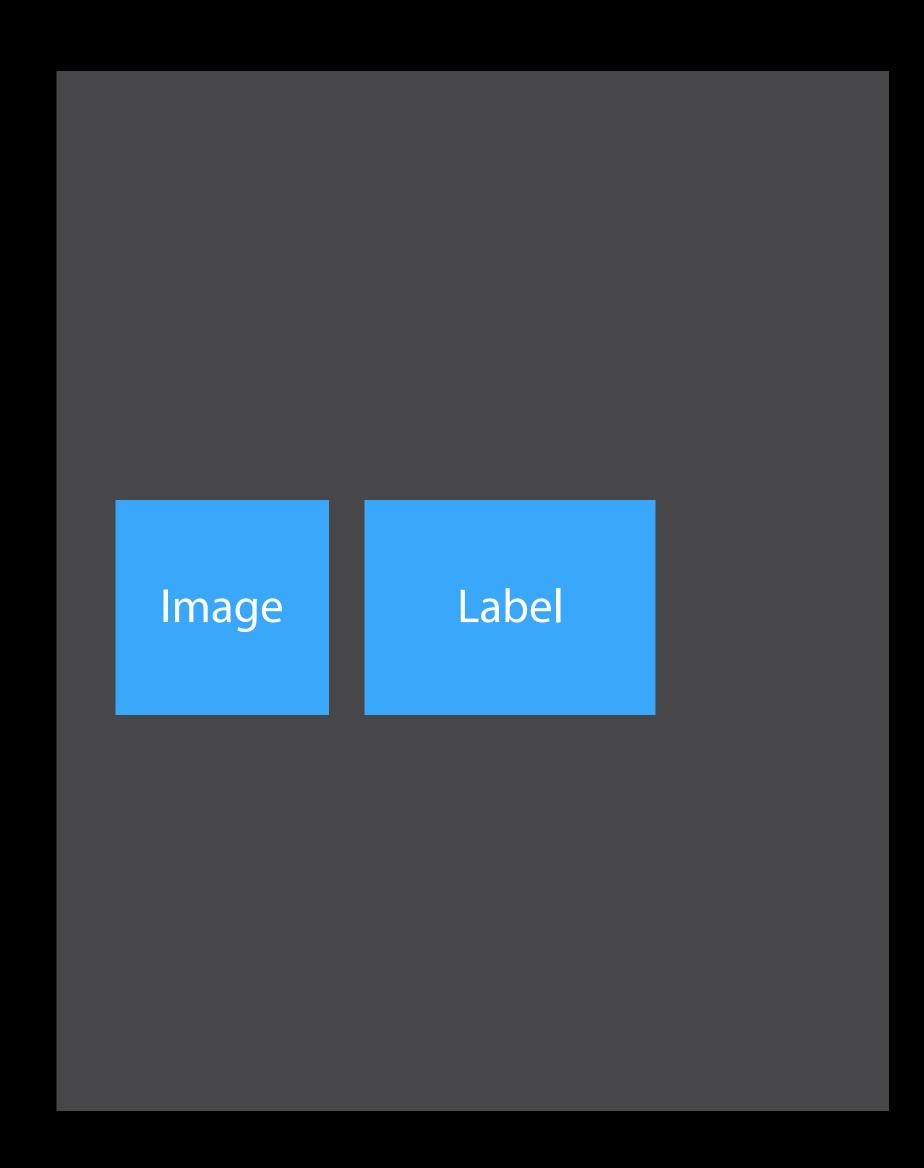


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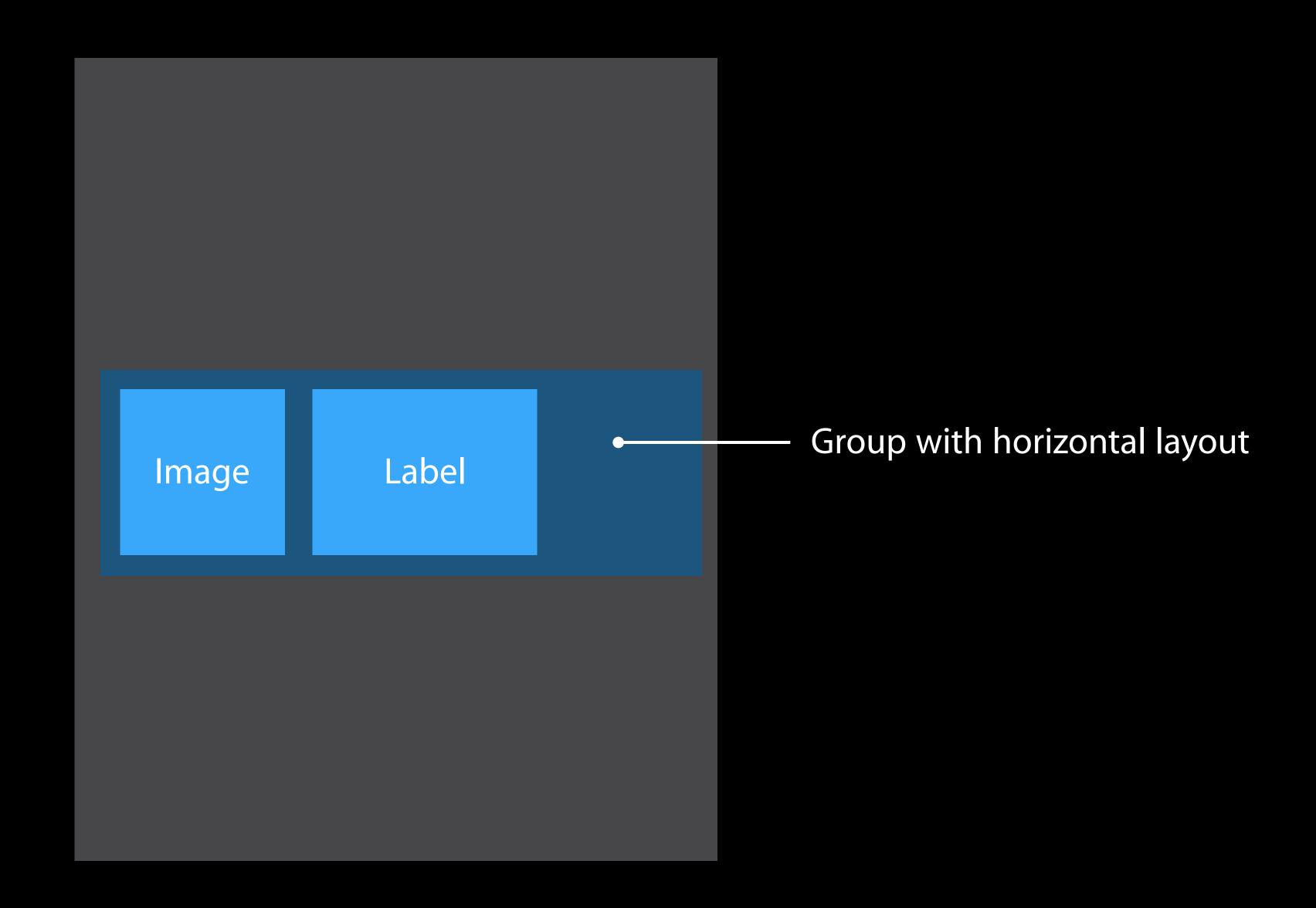
Layout for Table Row Controller



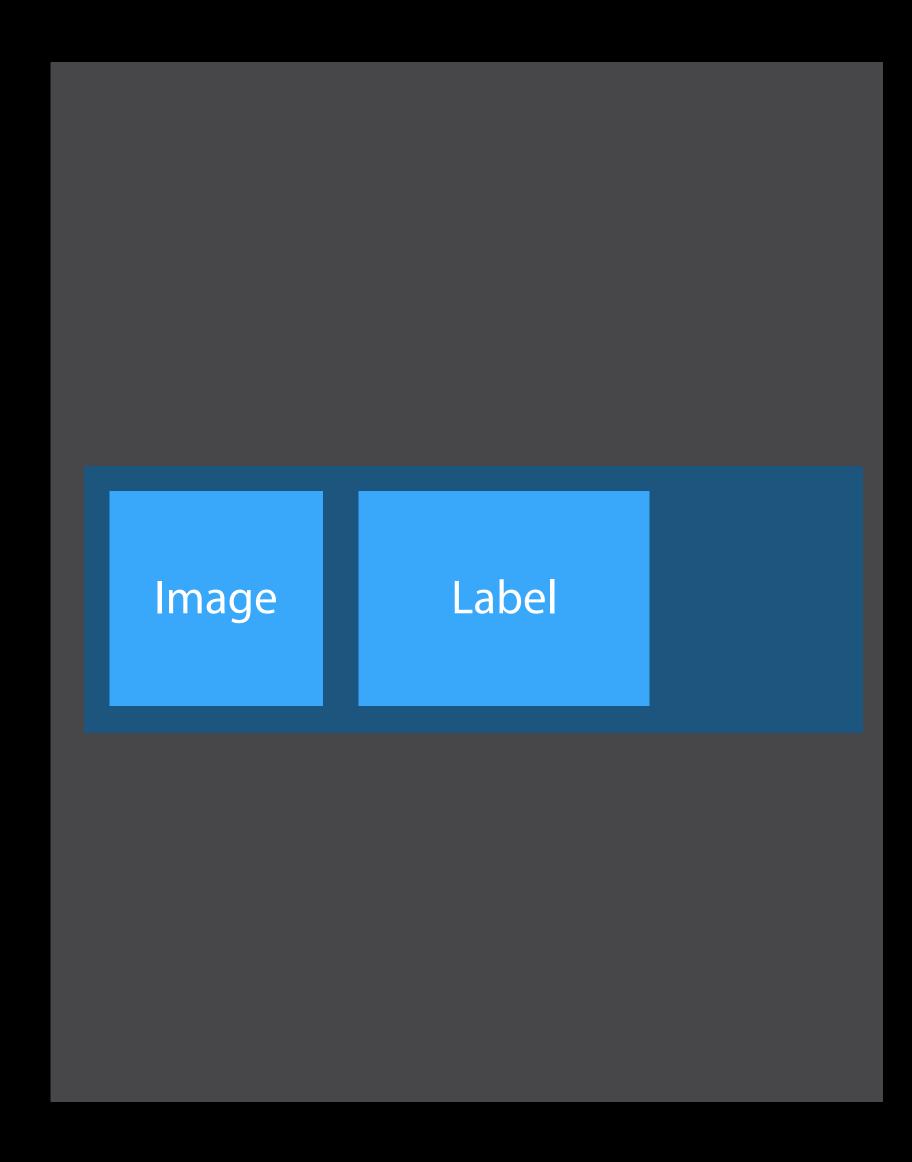


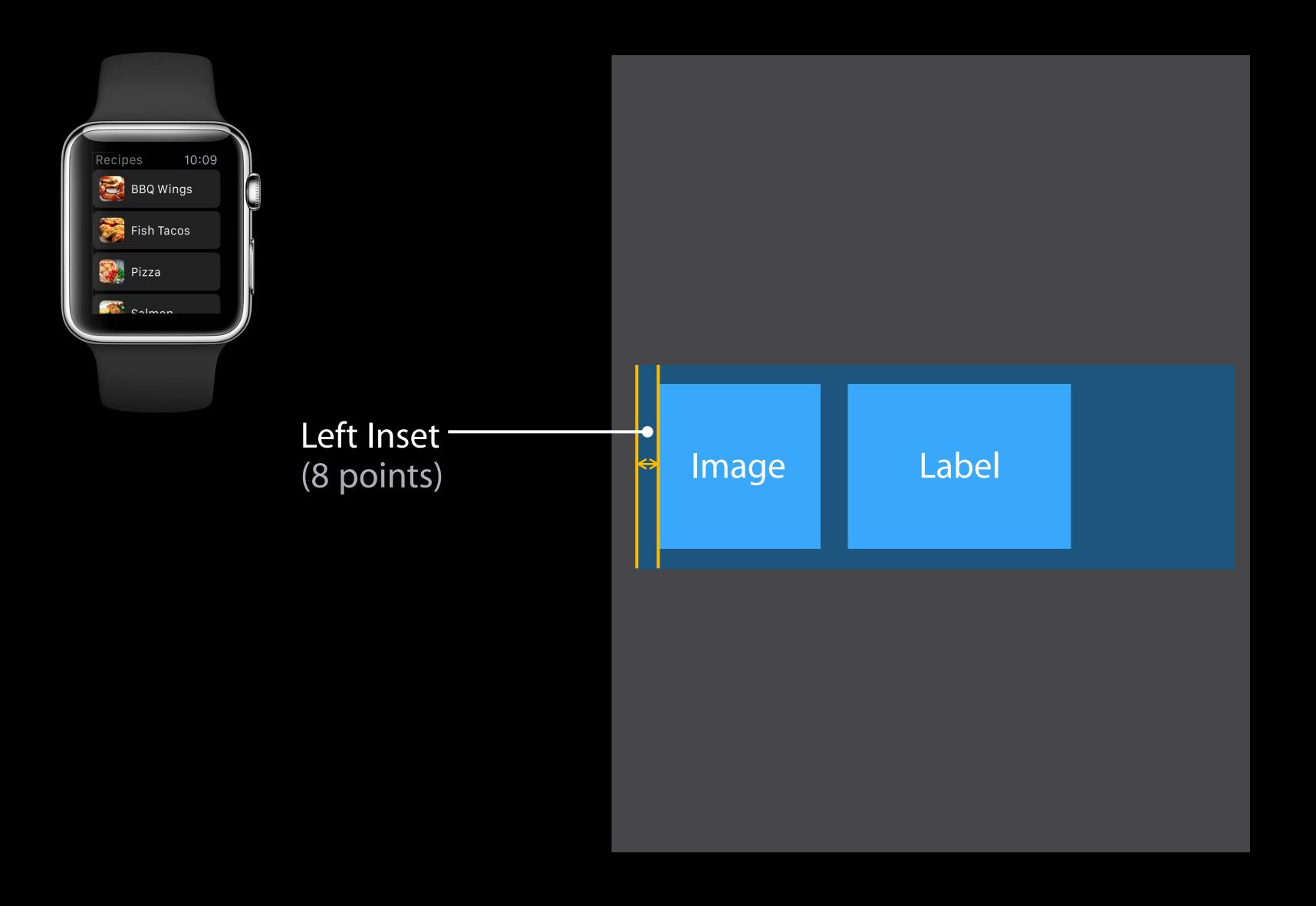
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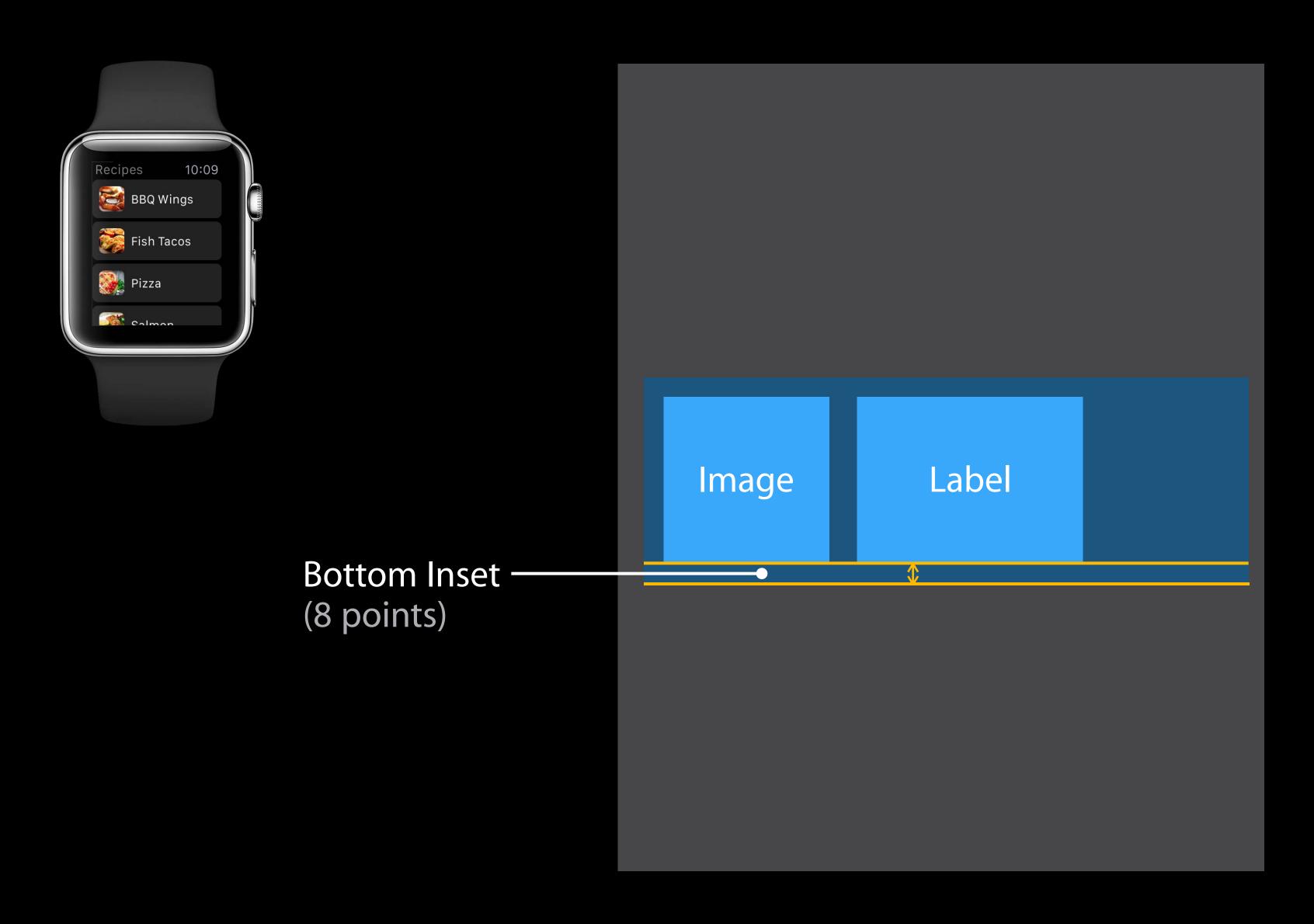




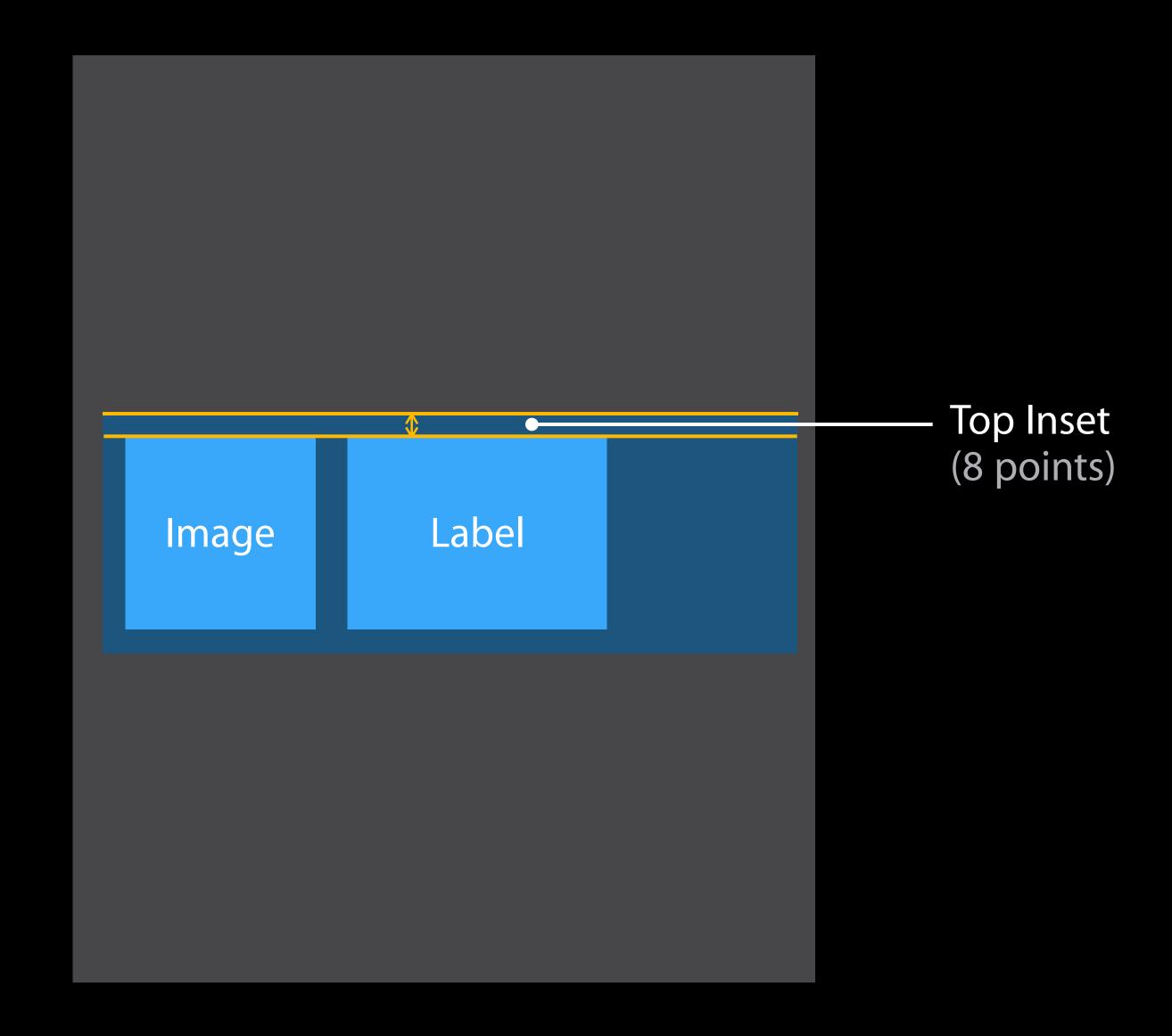




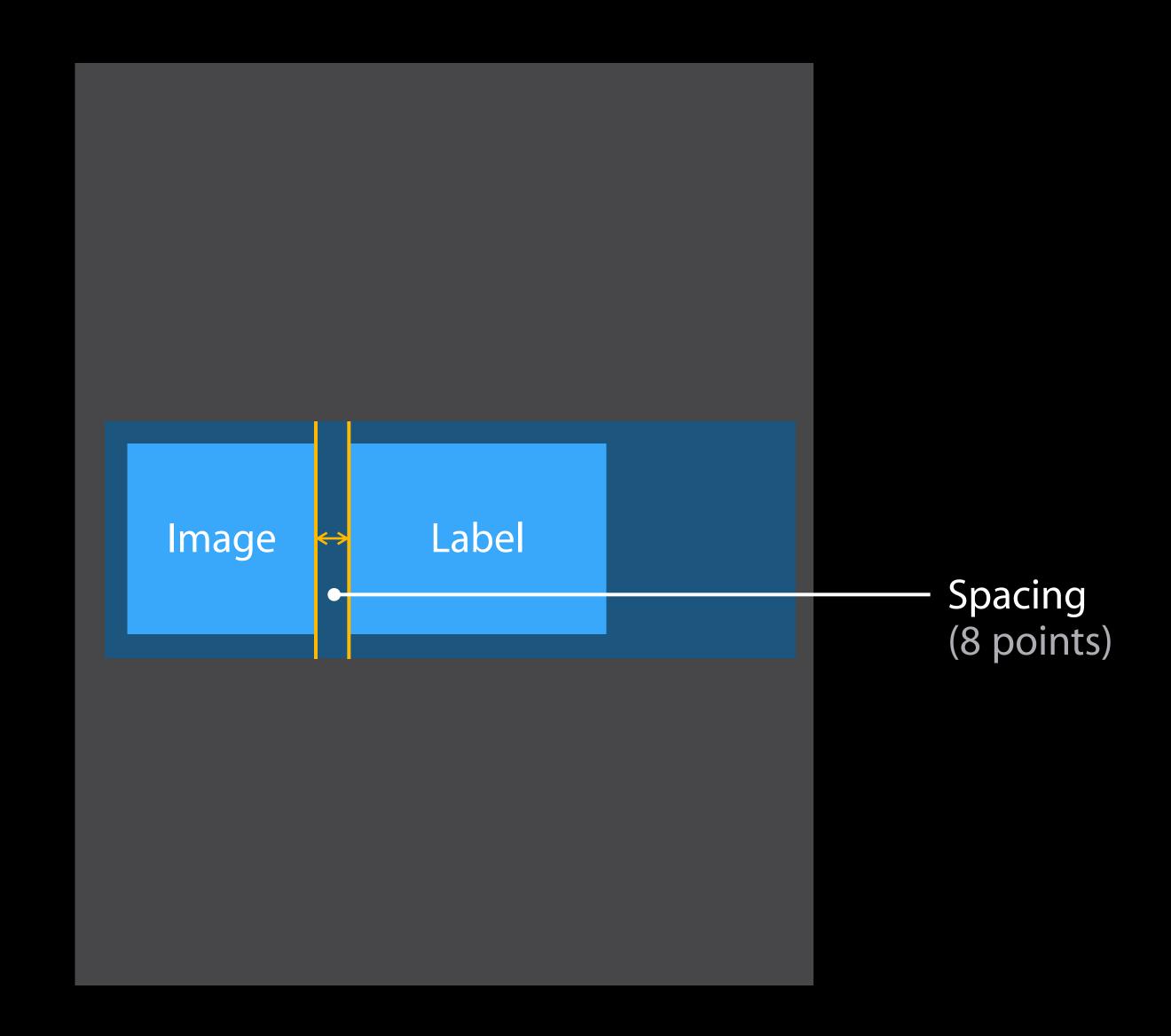






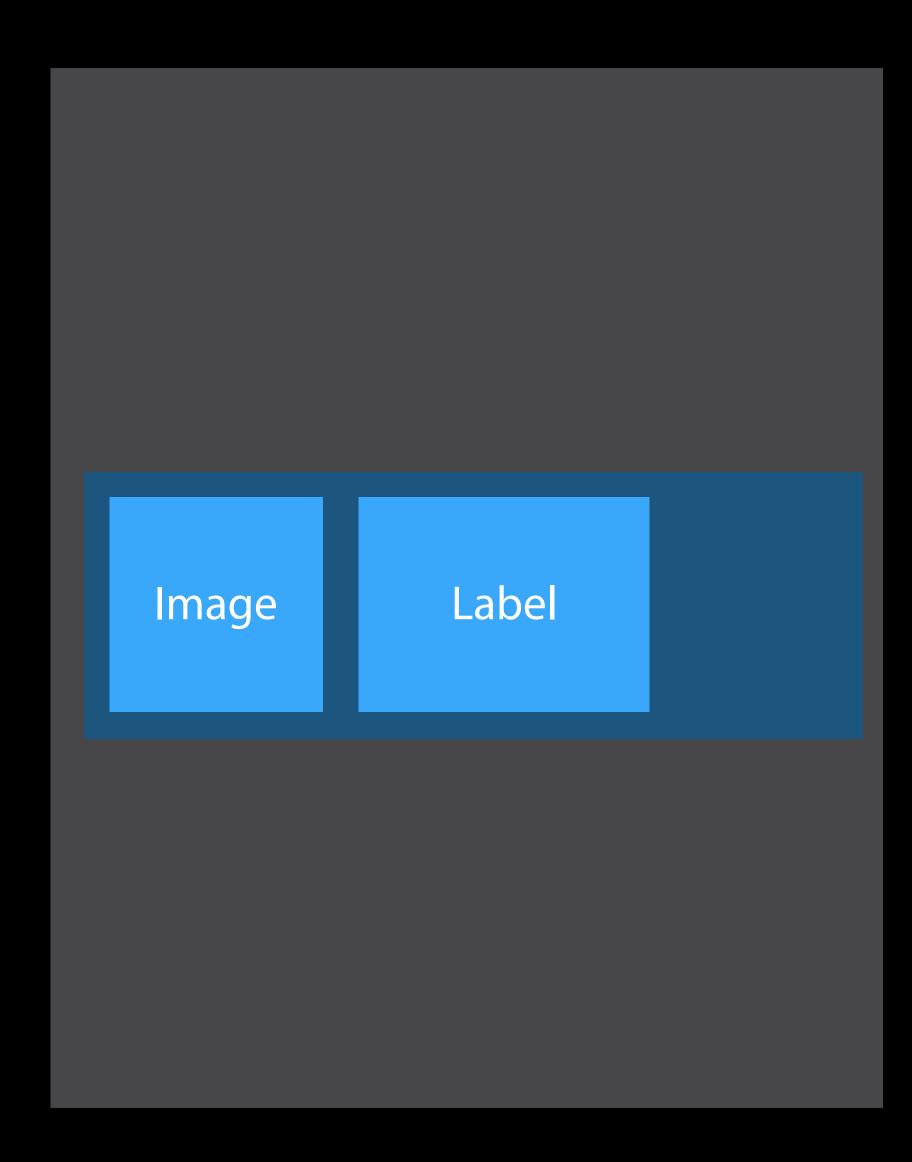




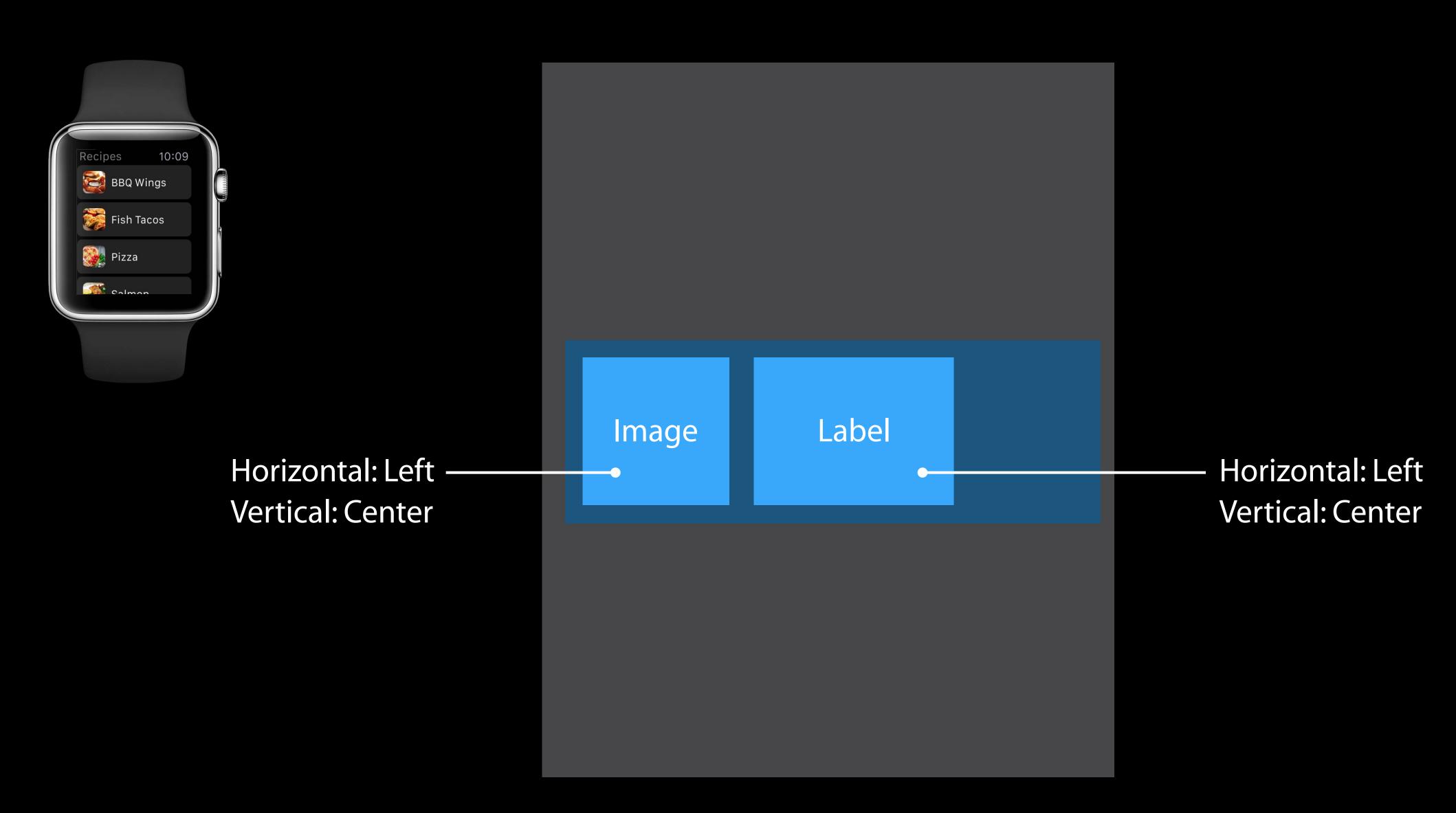


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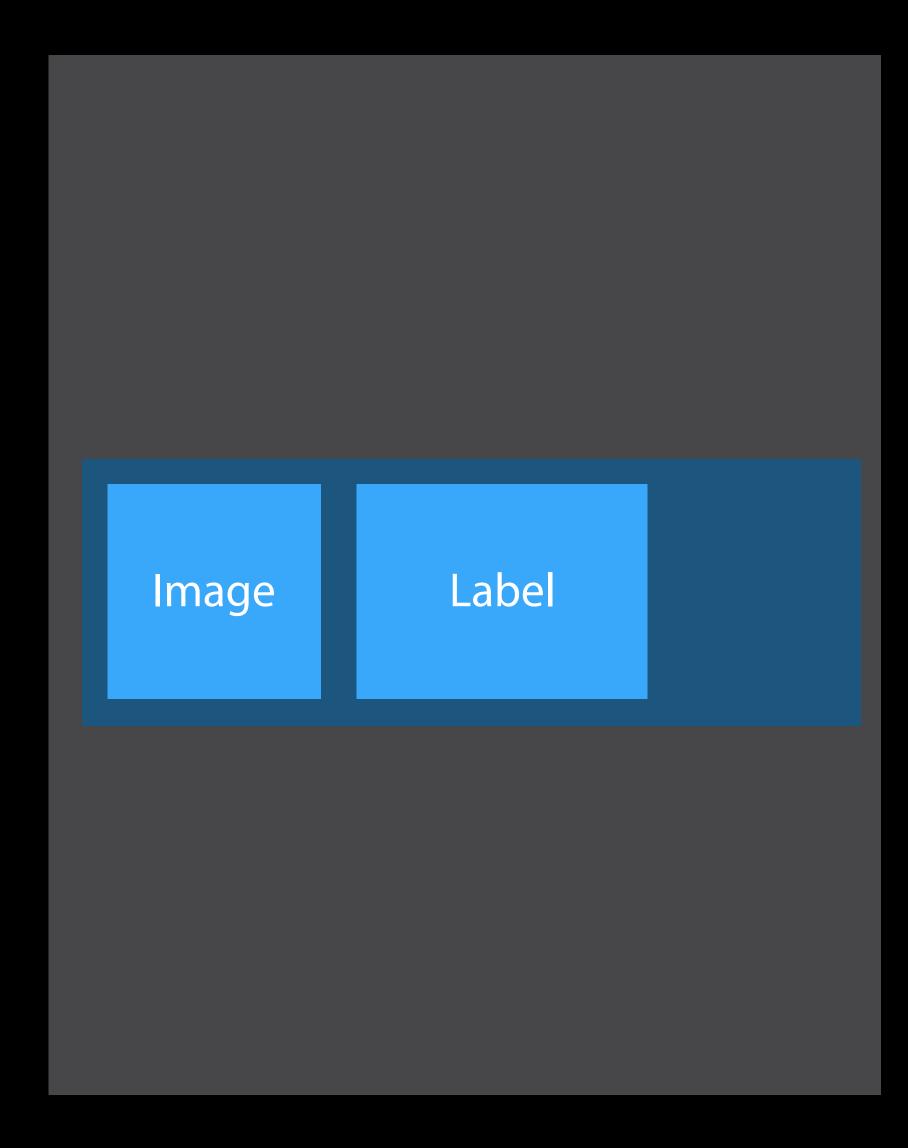


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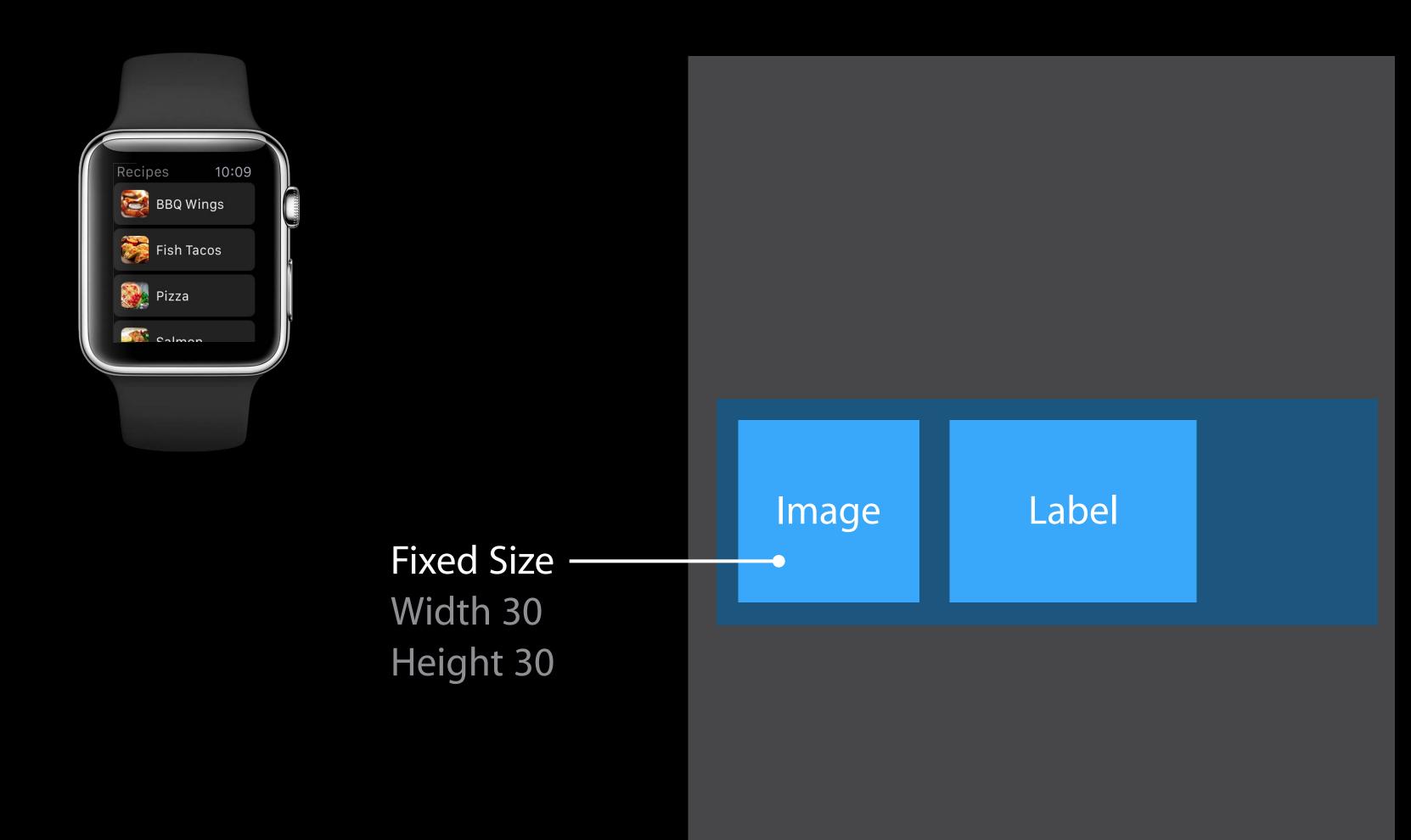


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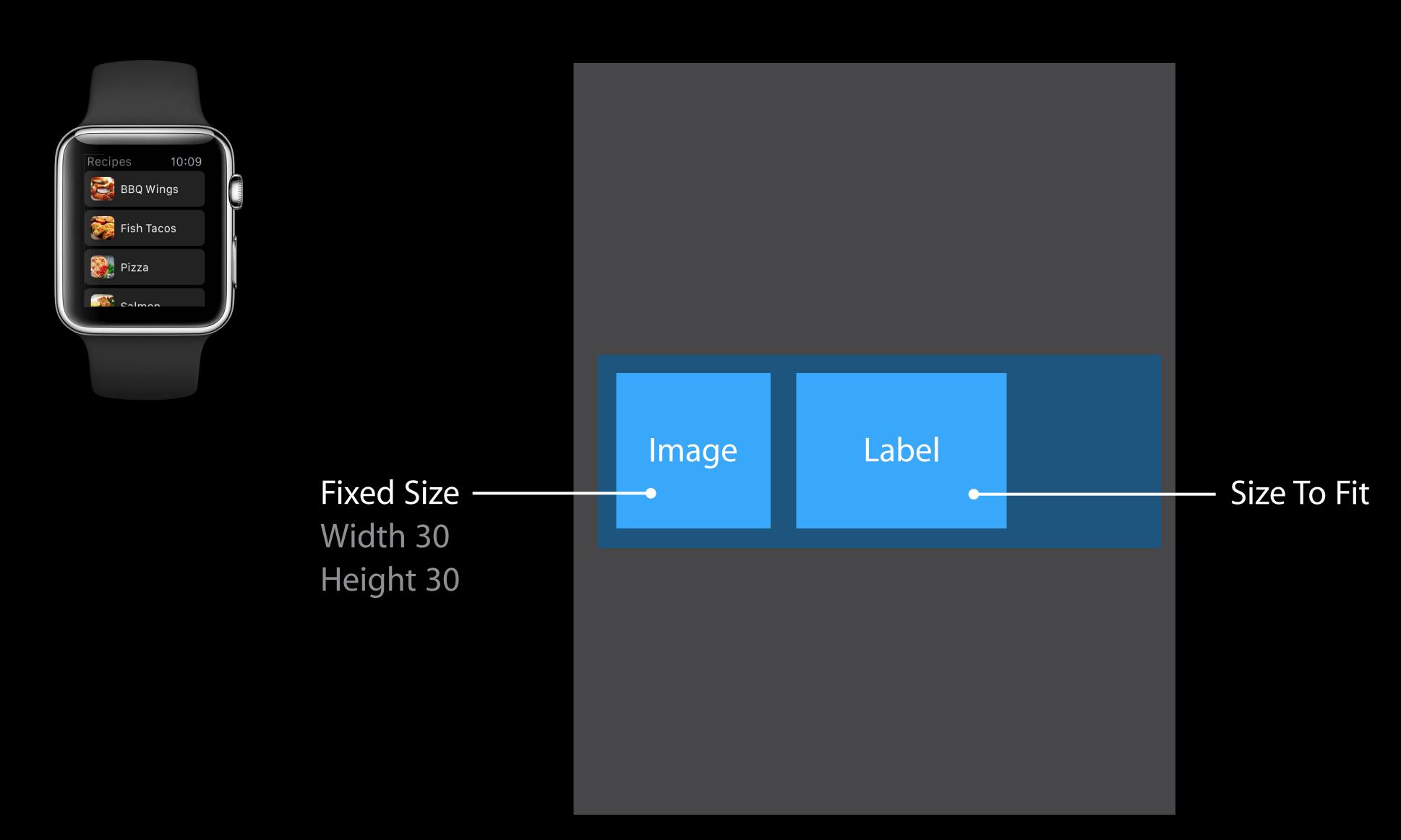


Table Row Layout



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Groups with horizontal layout



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Fine tune

- Alignment
- Insets and spacing
- Sizing

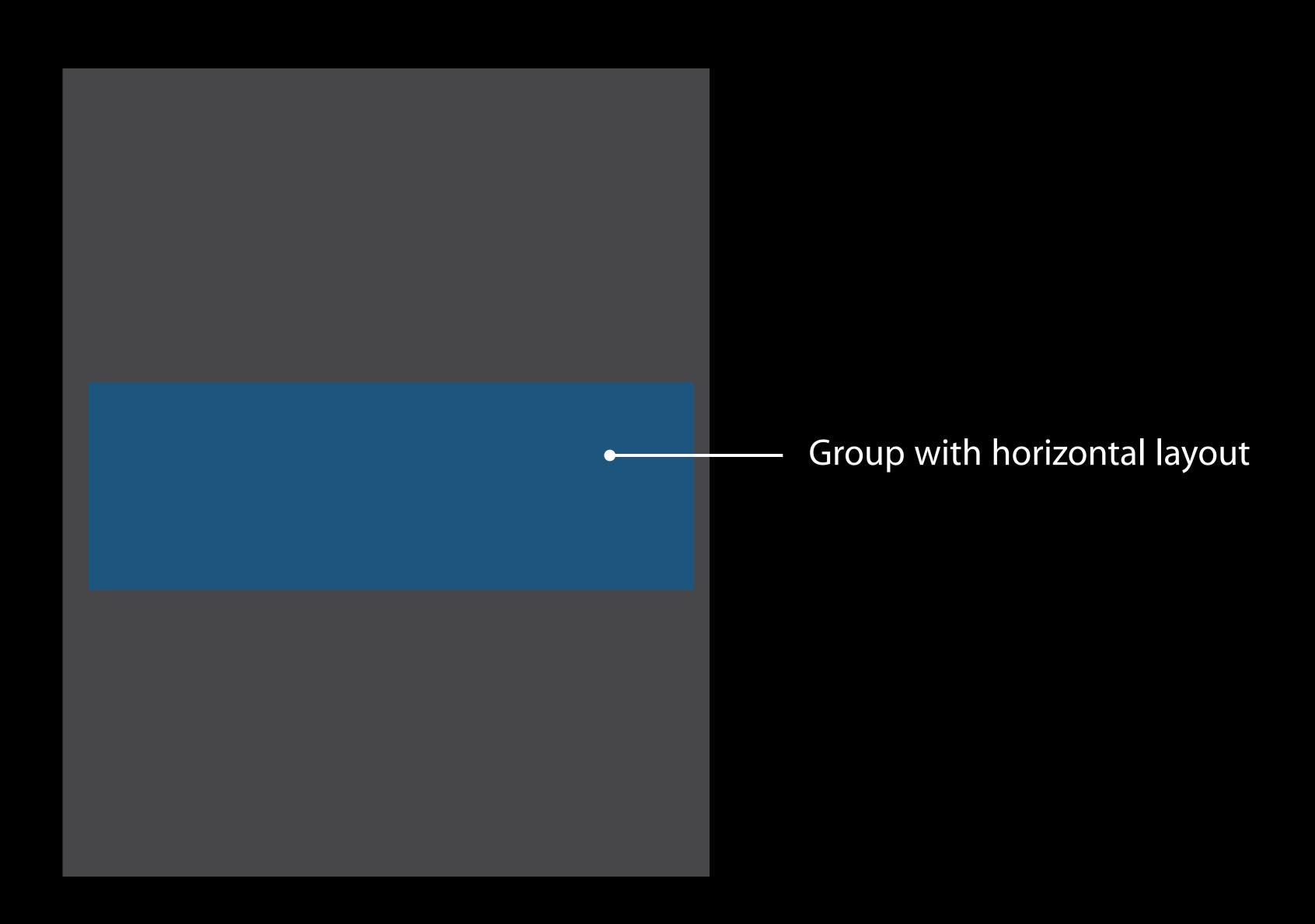




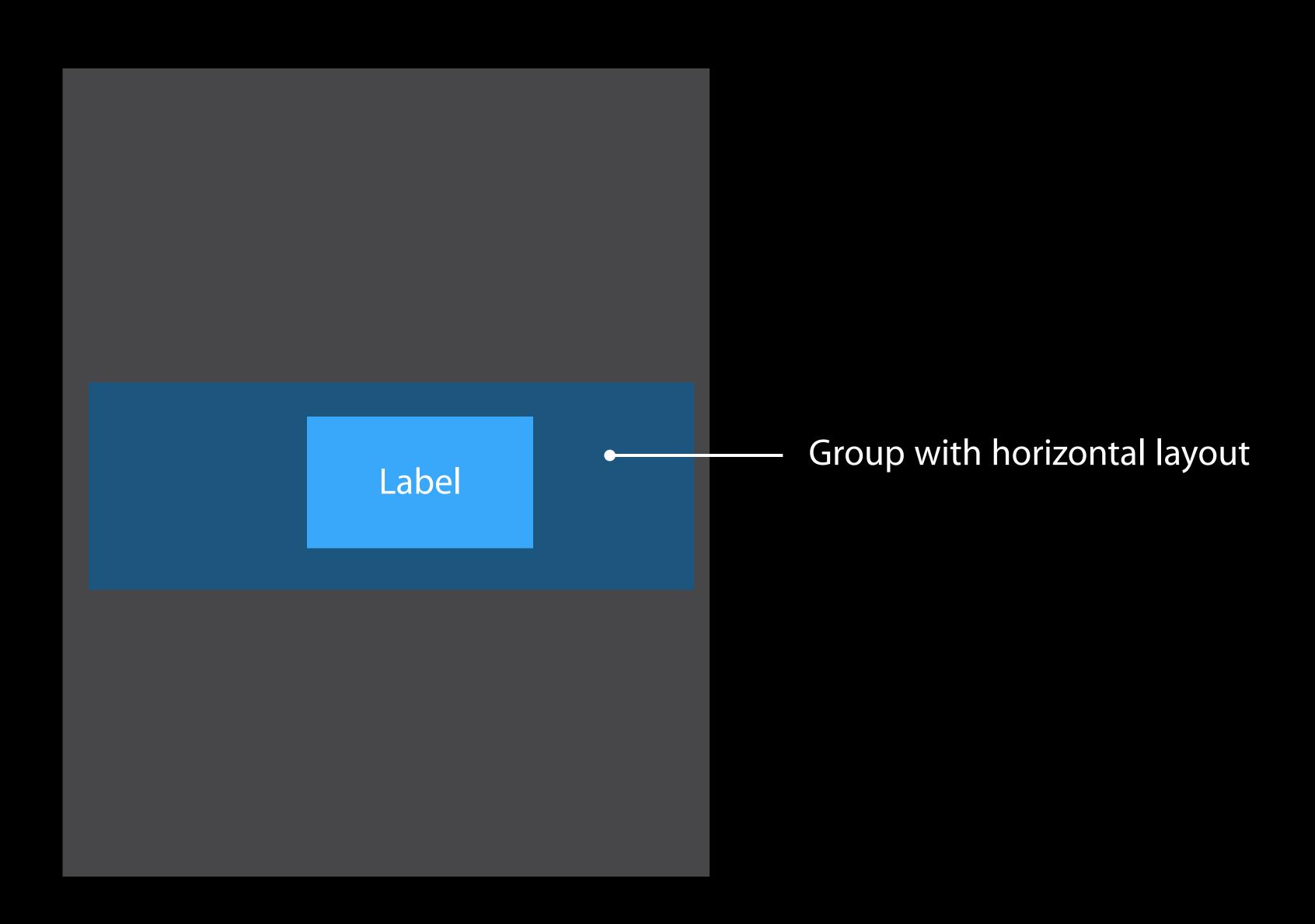






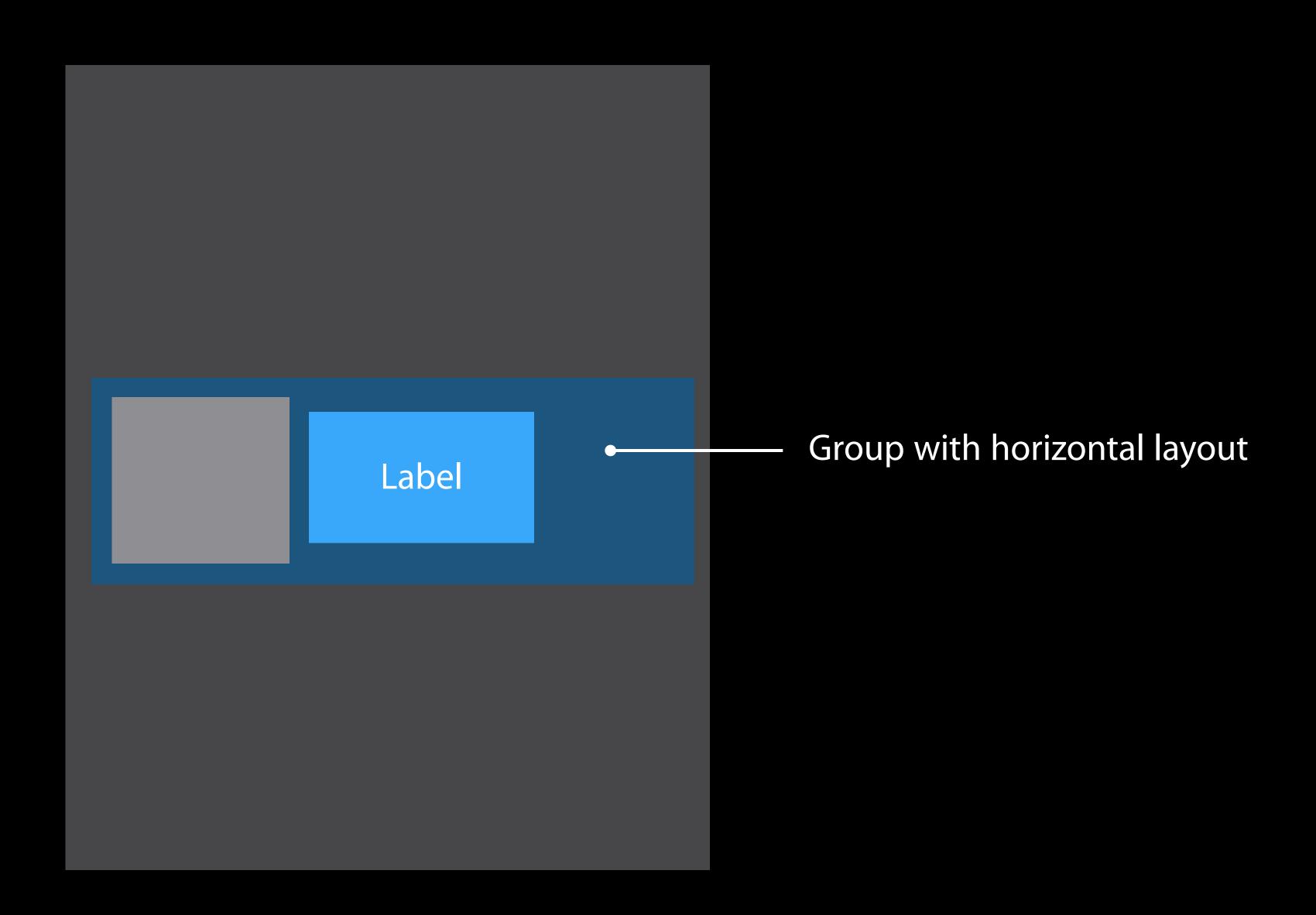




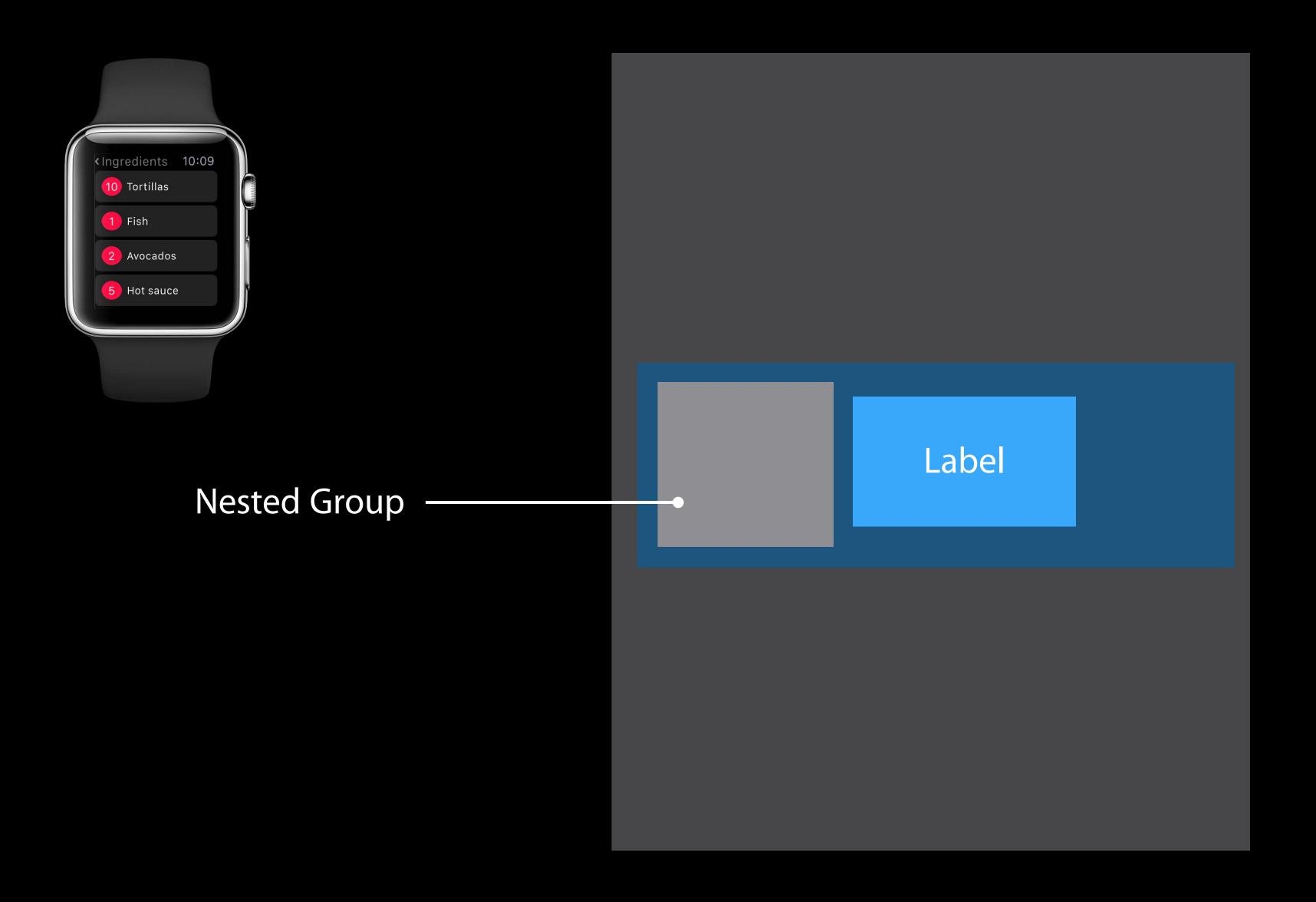


Layout for Ingredients Controller



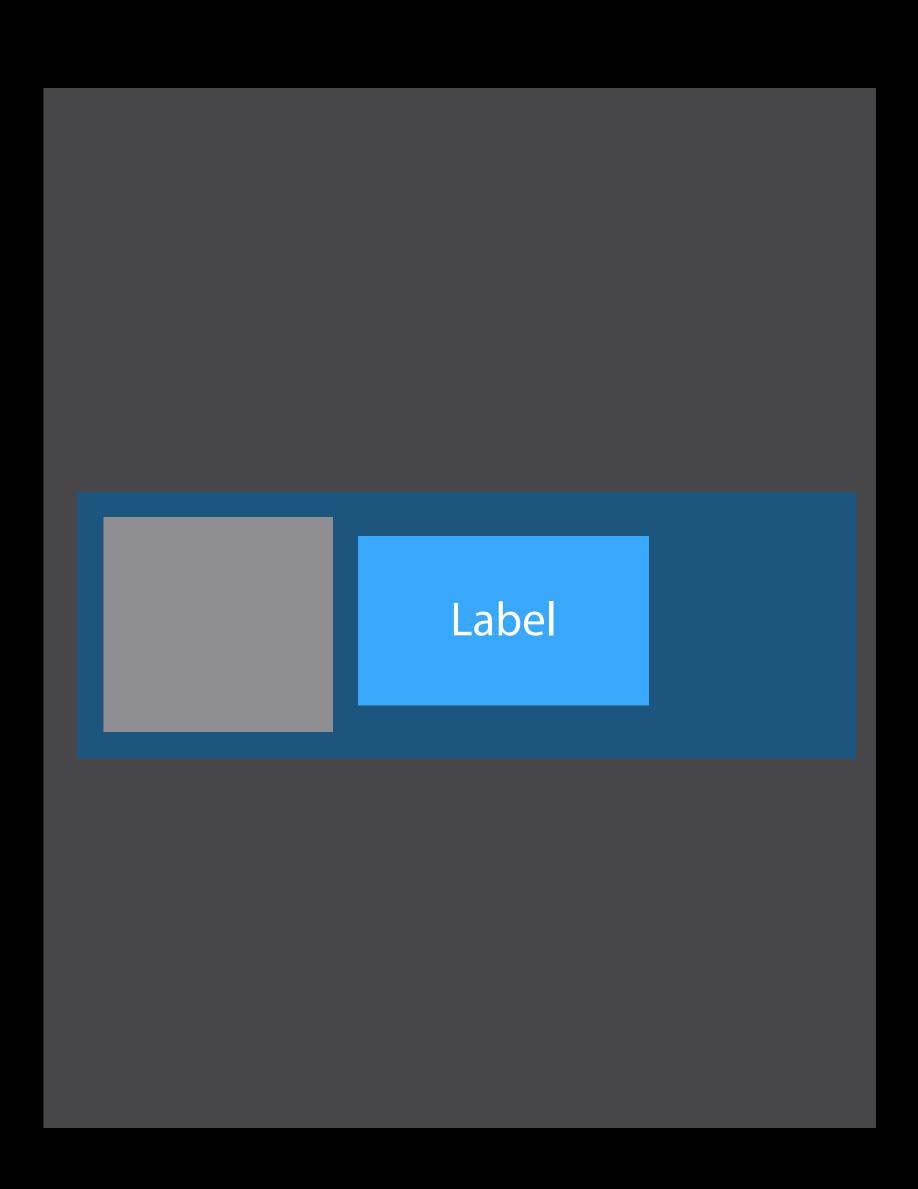


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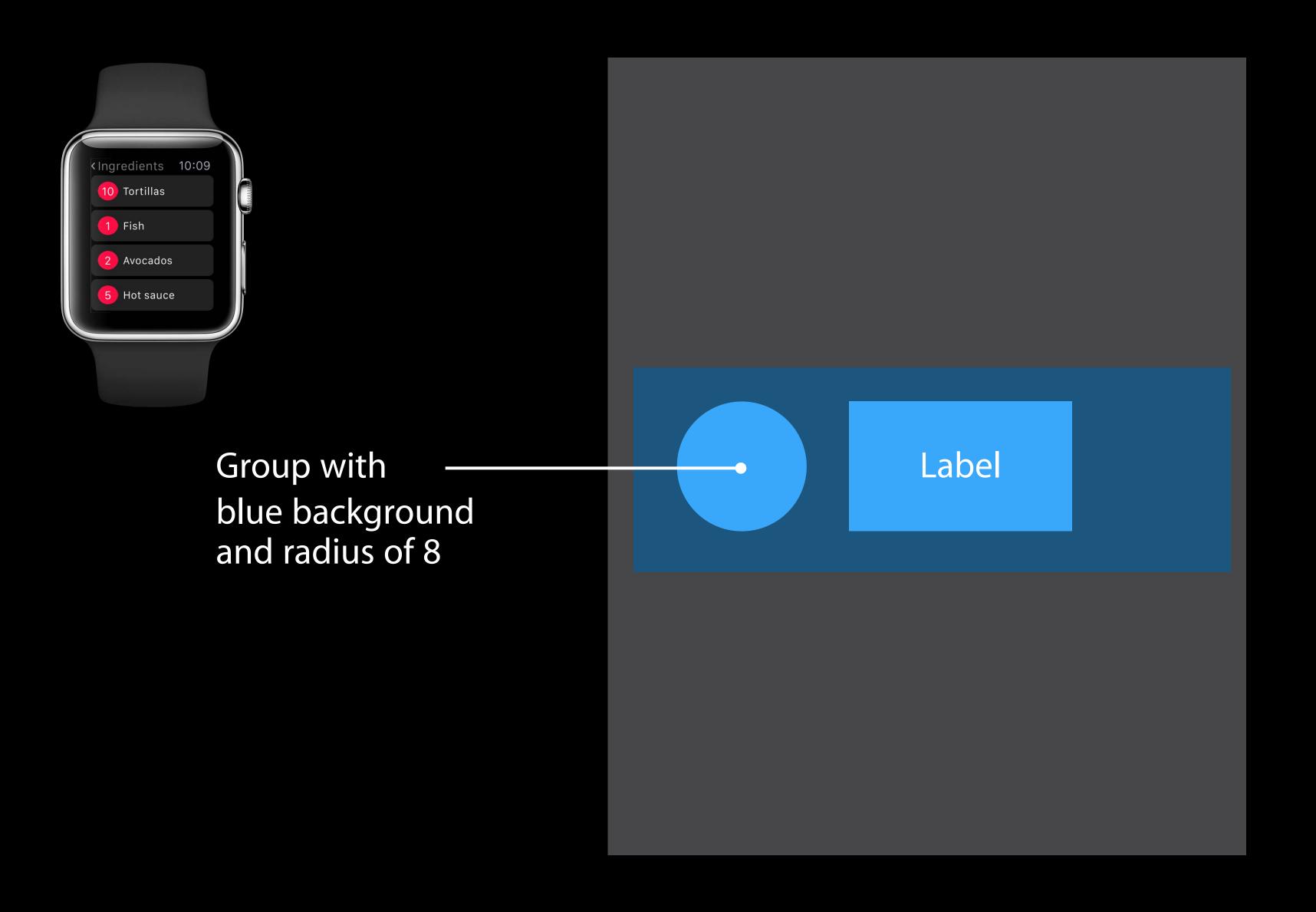


Groups Can Have Backgrounds



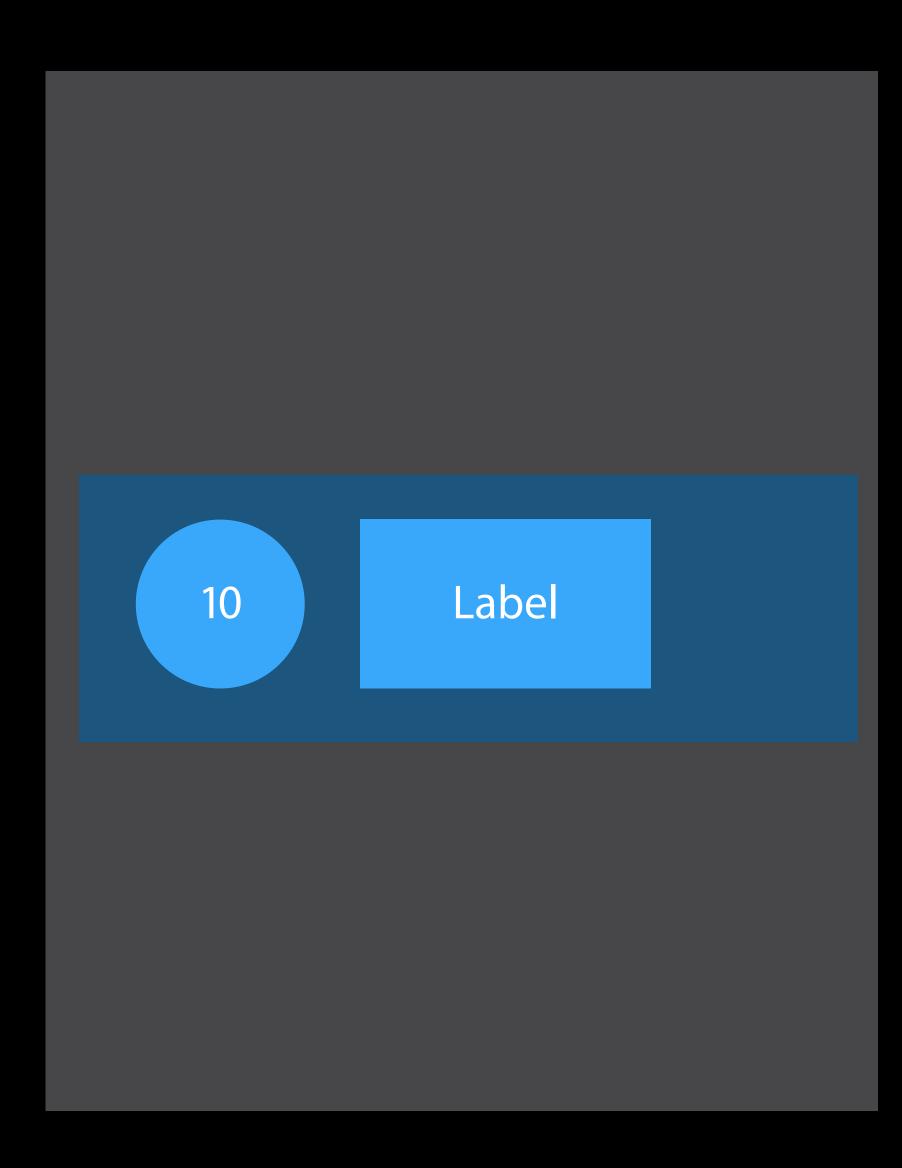


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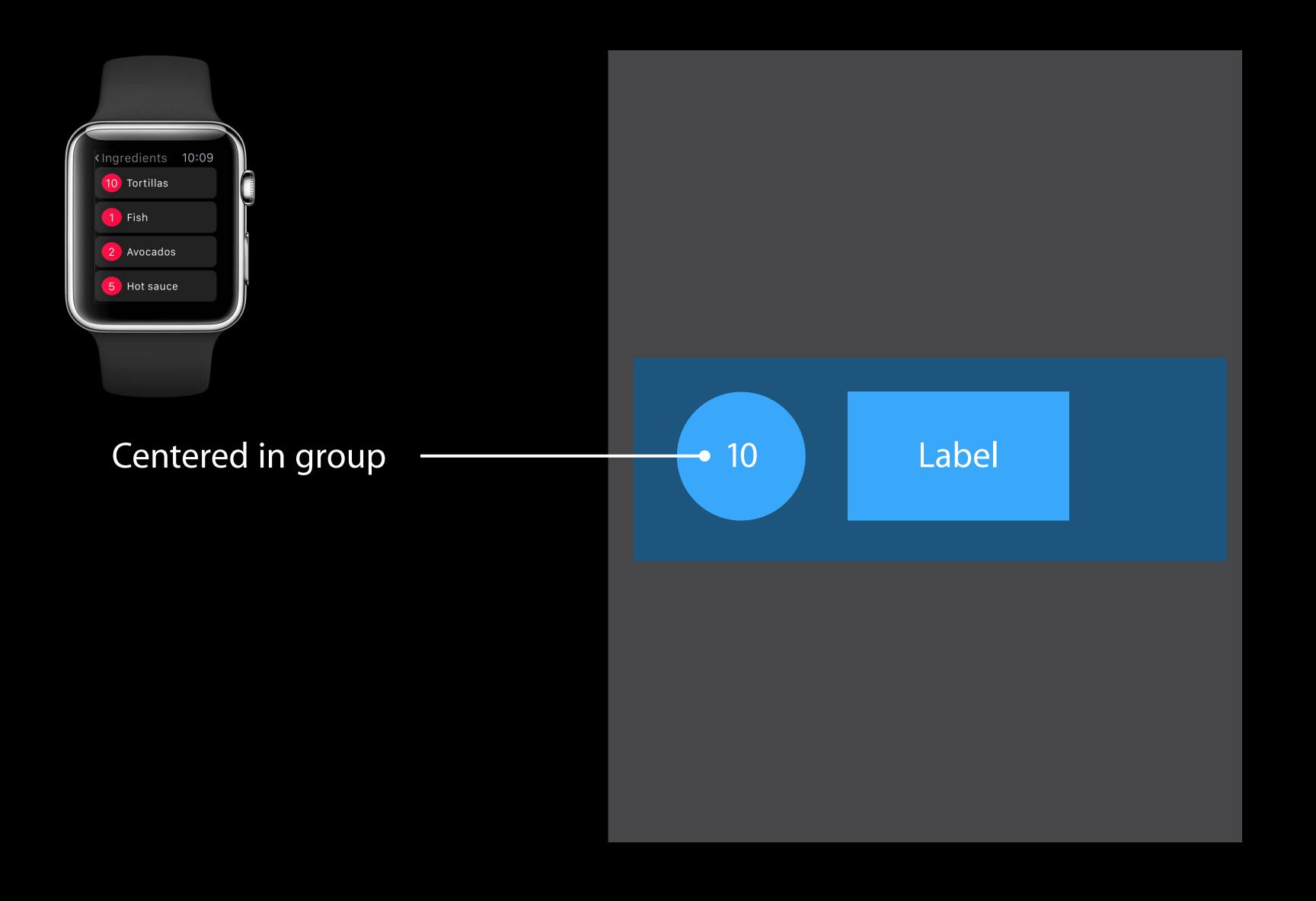


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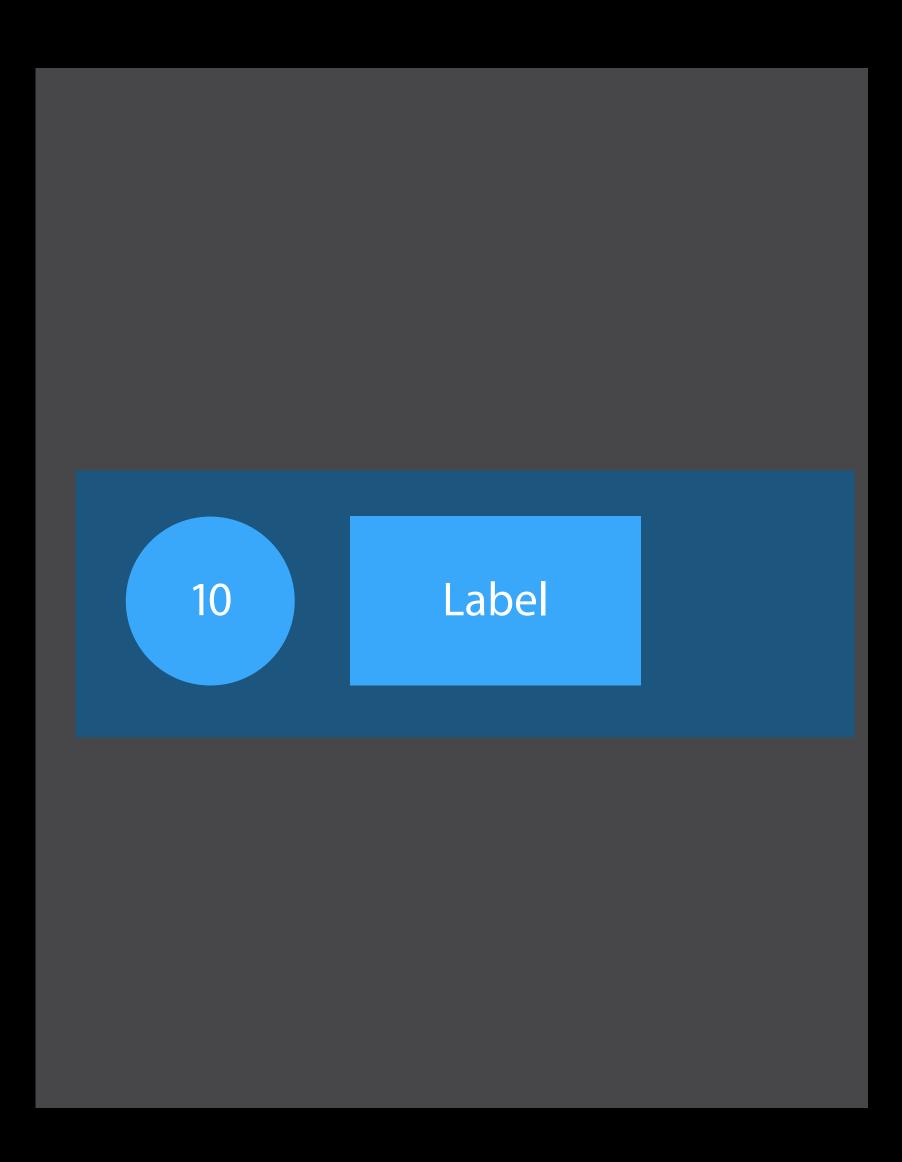


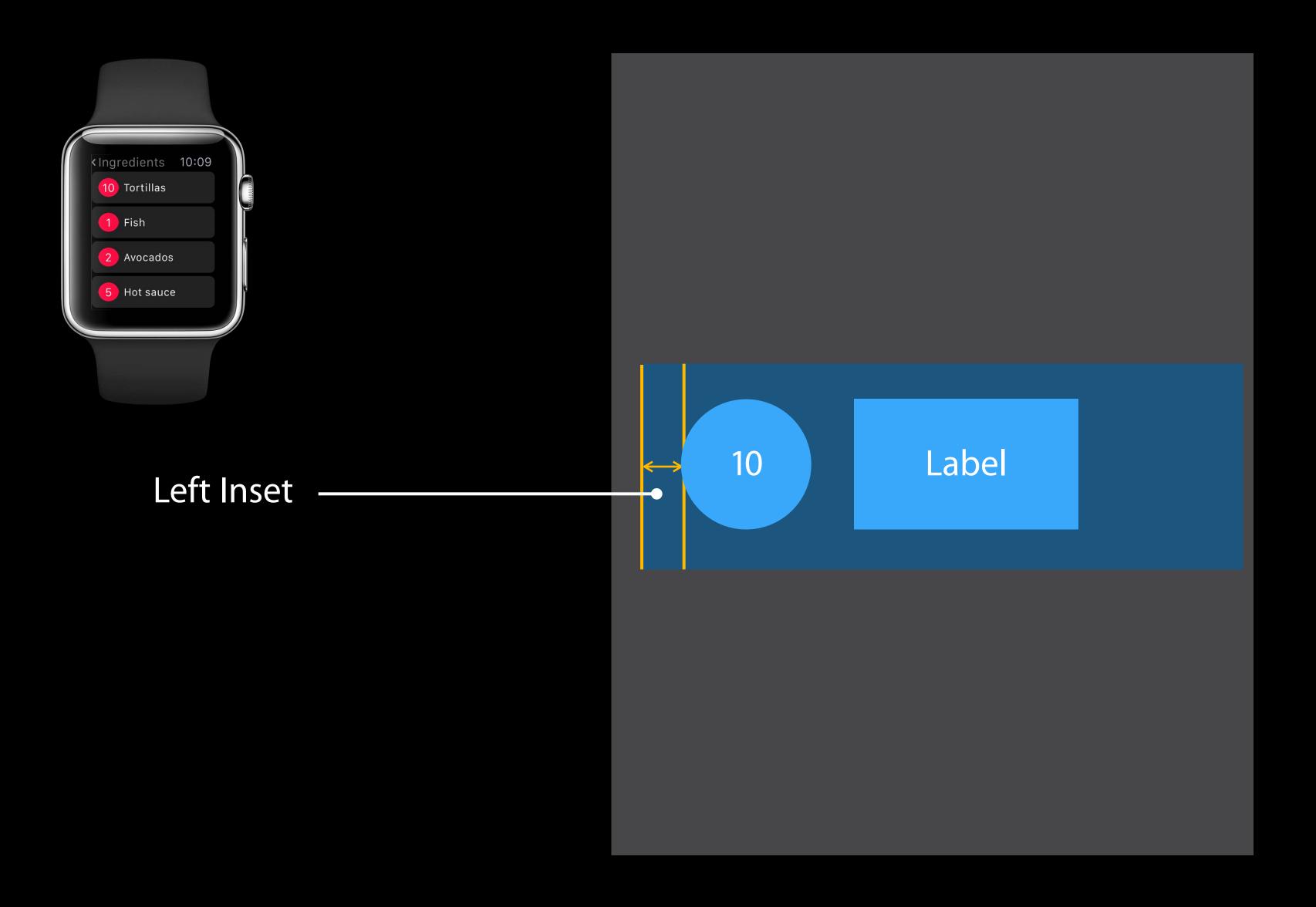


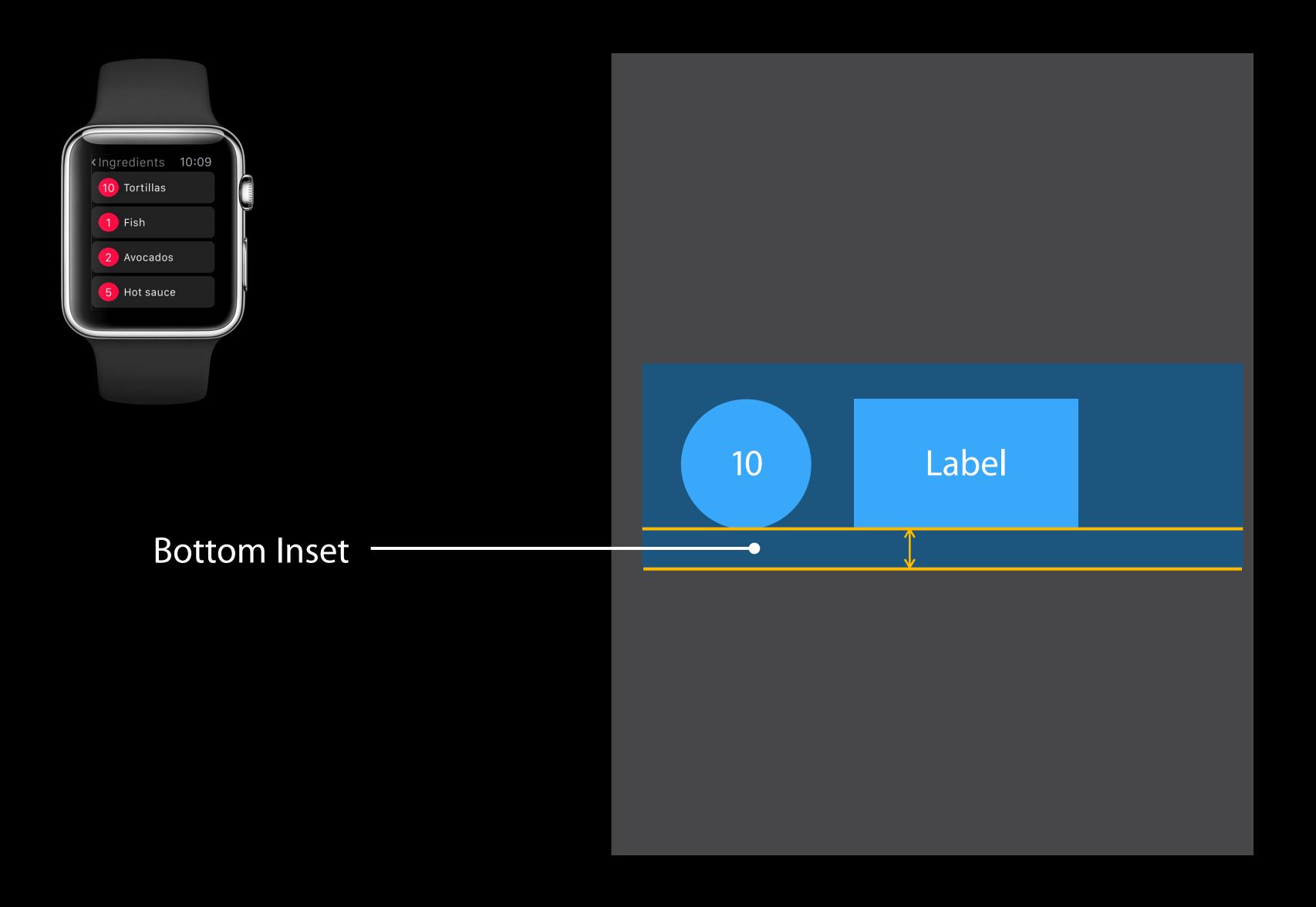
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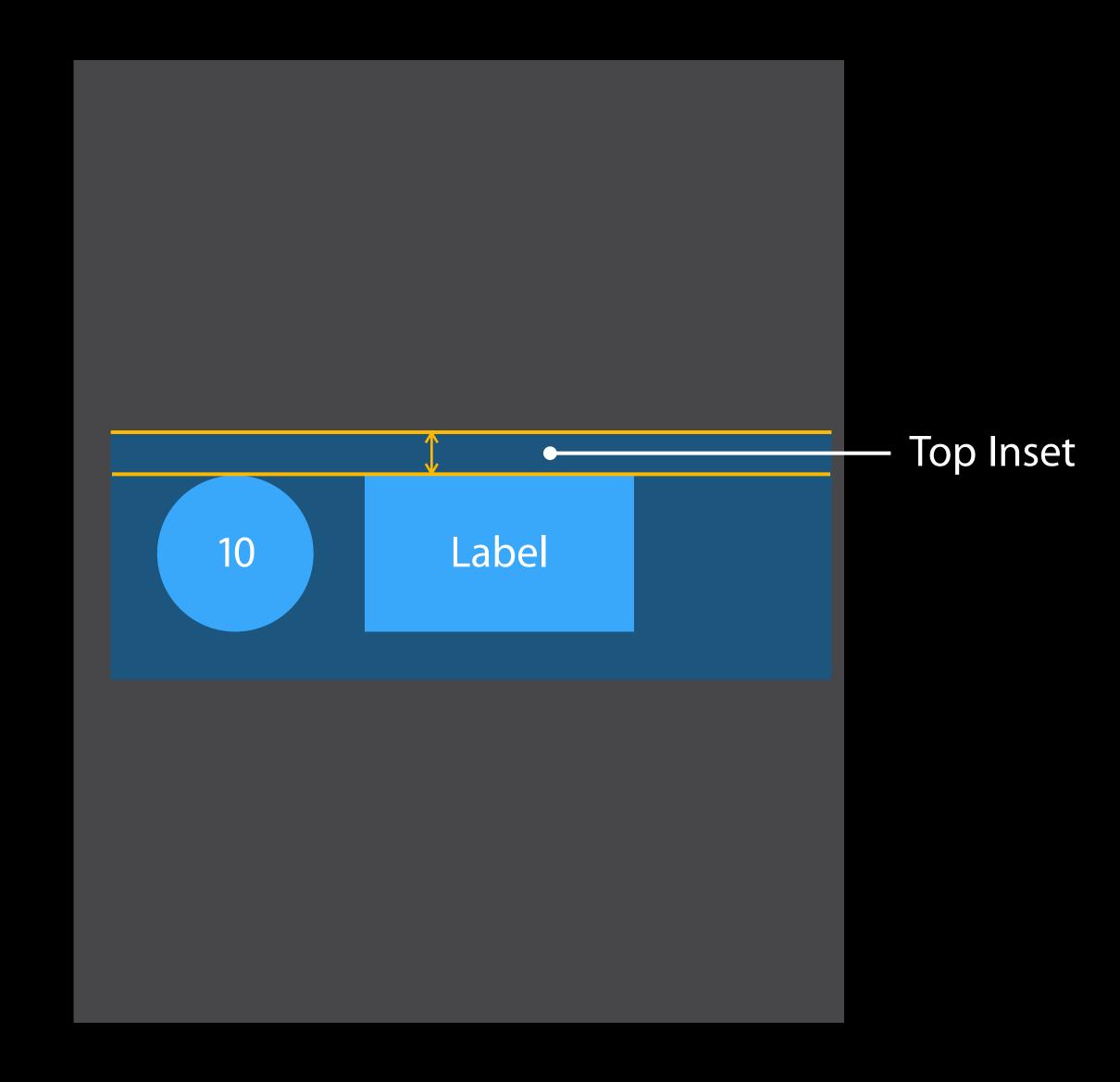




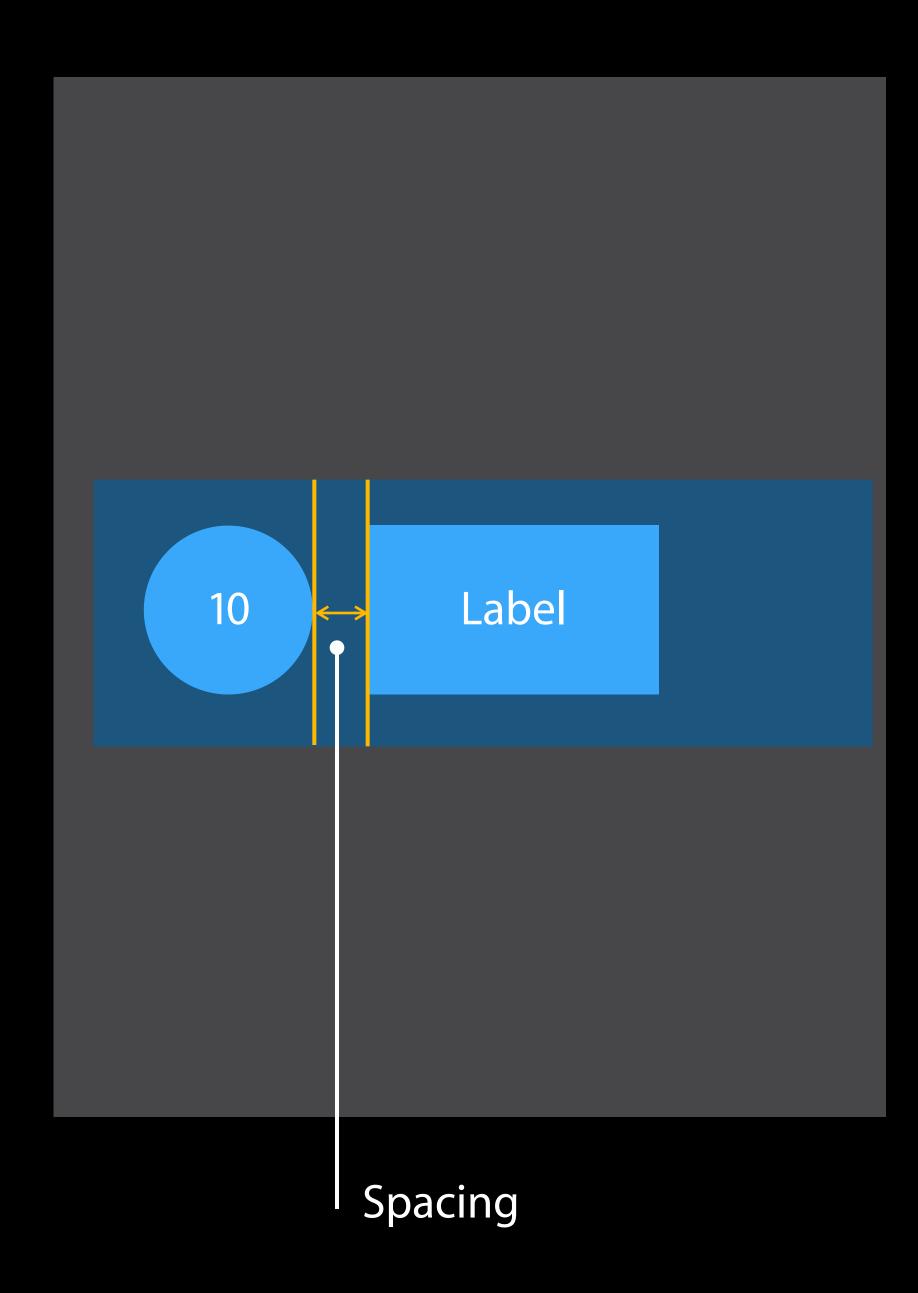














Nested groups



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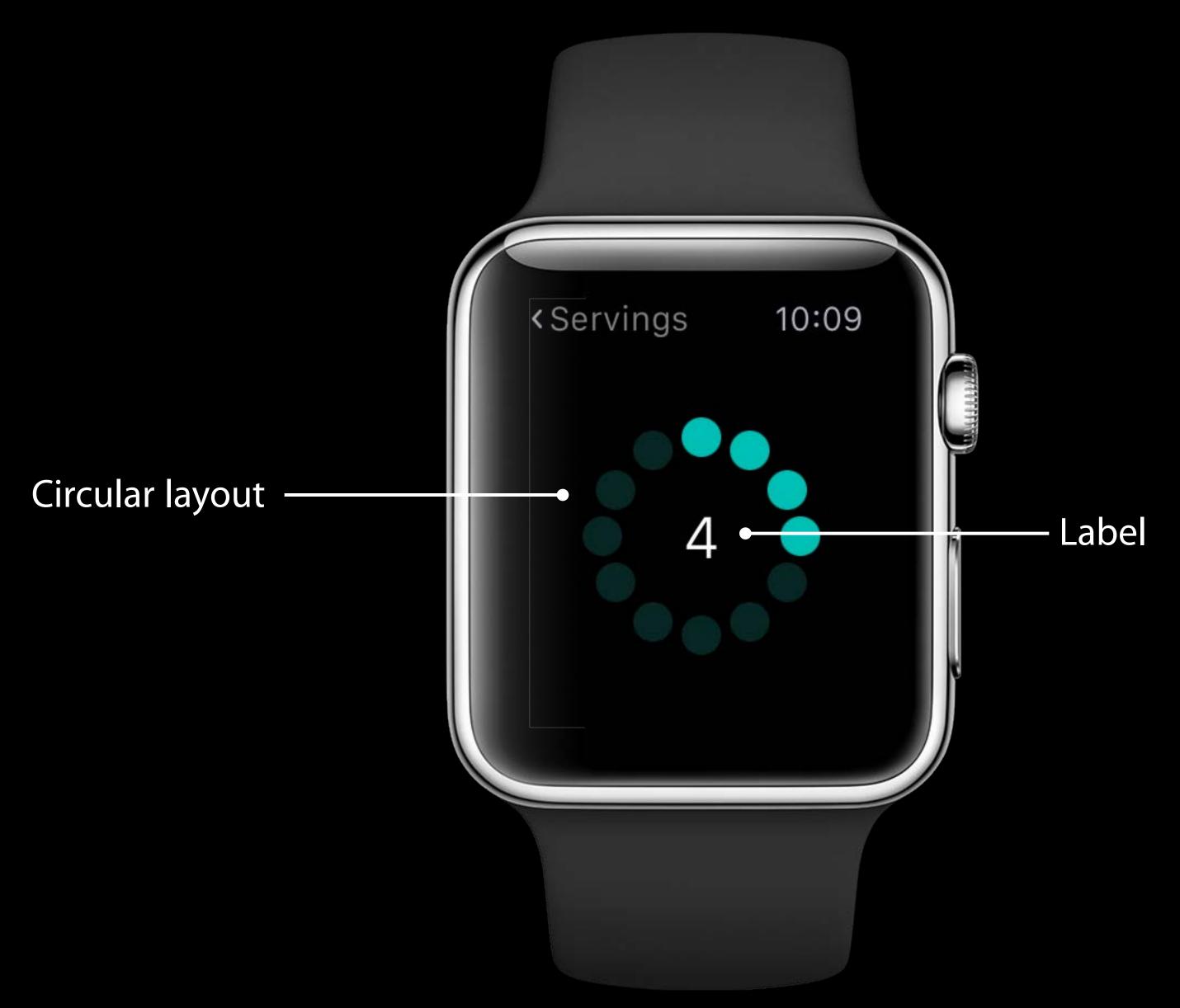
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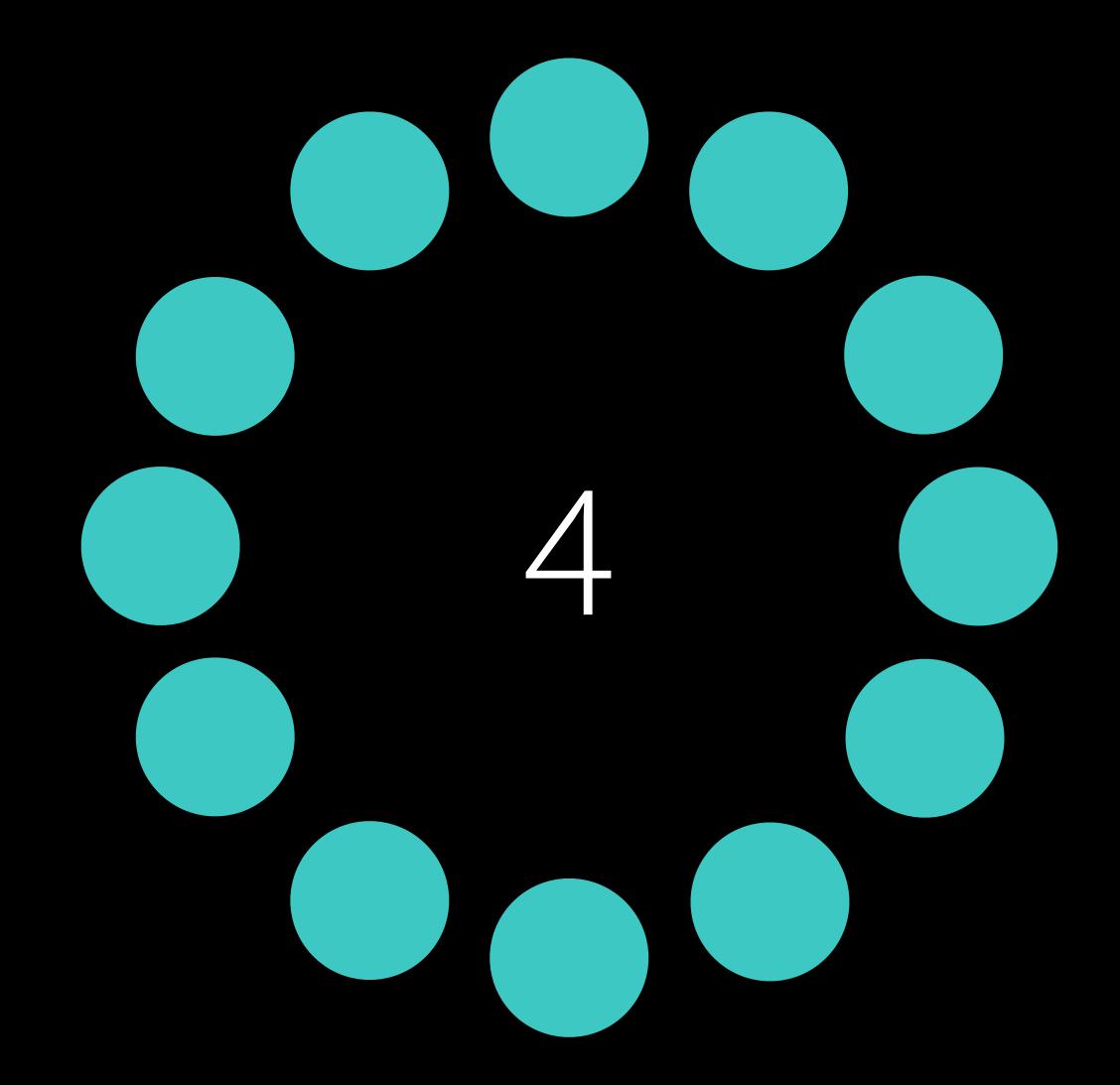
- Color
- Images

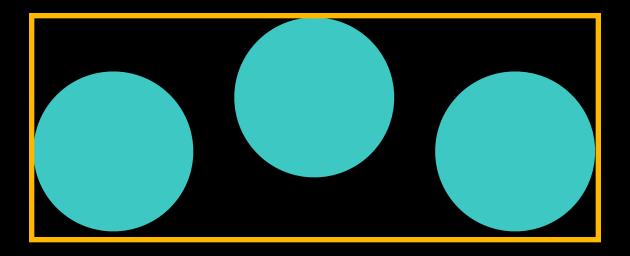


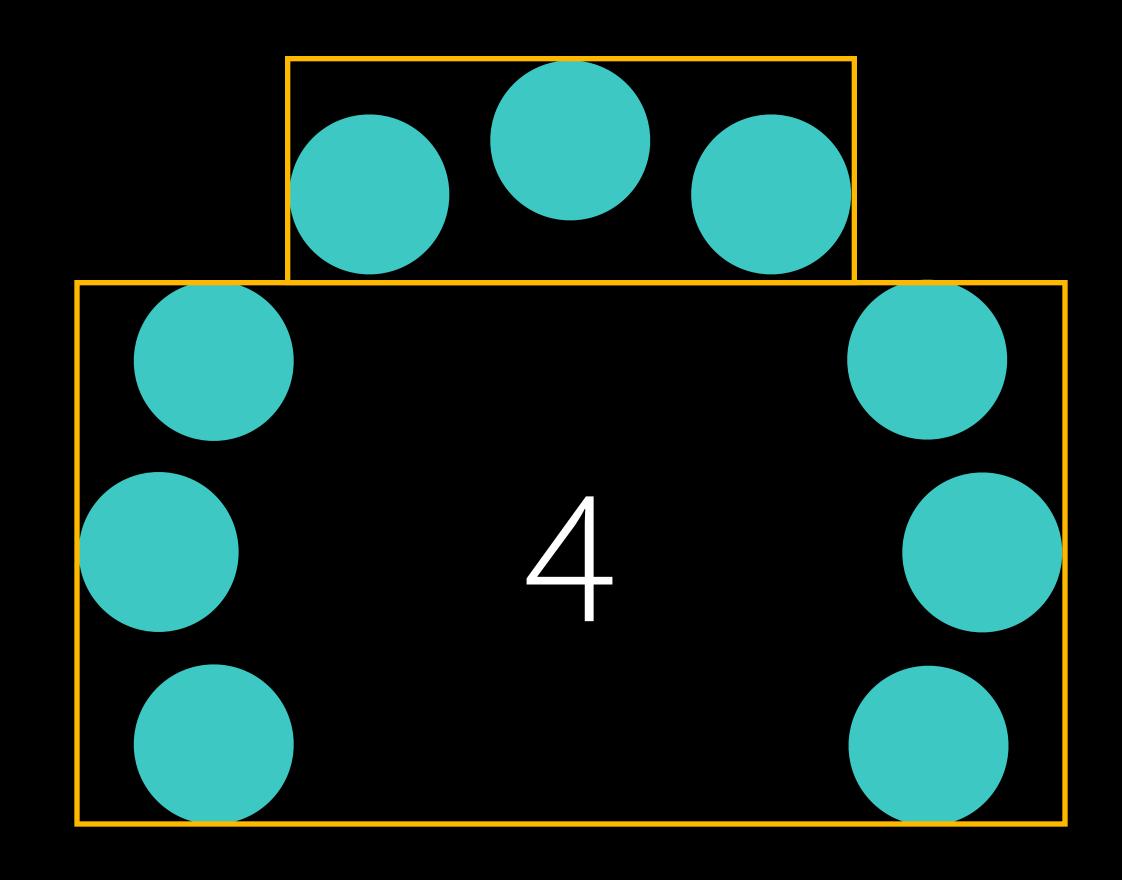


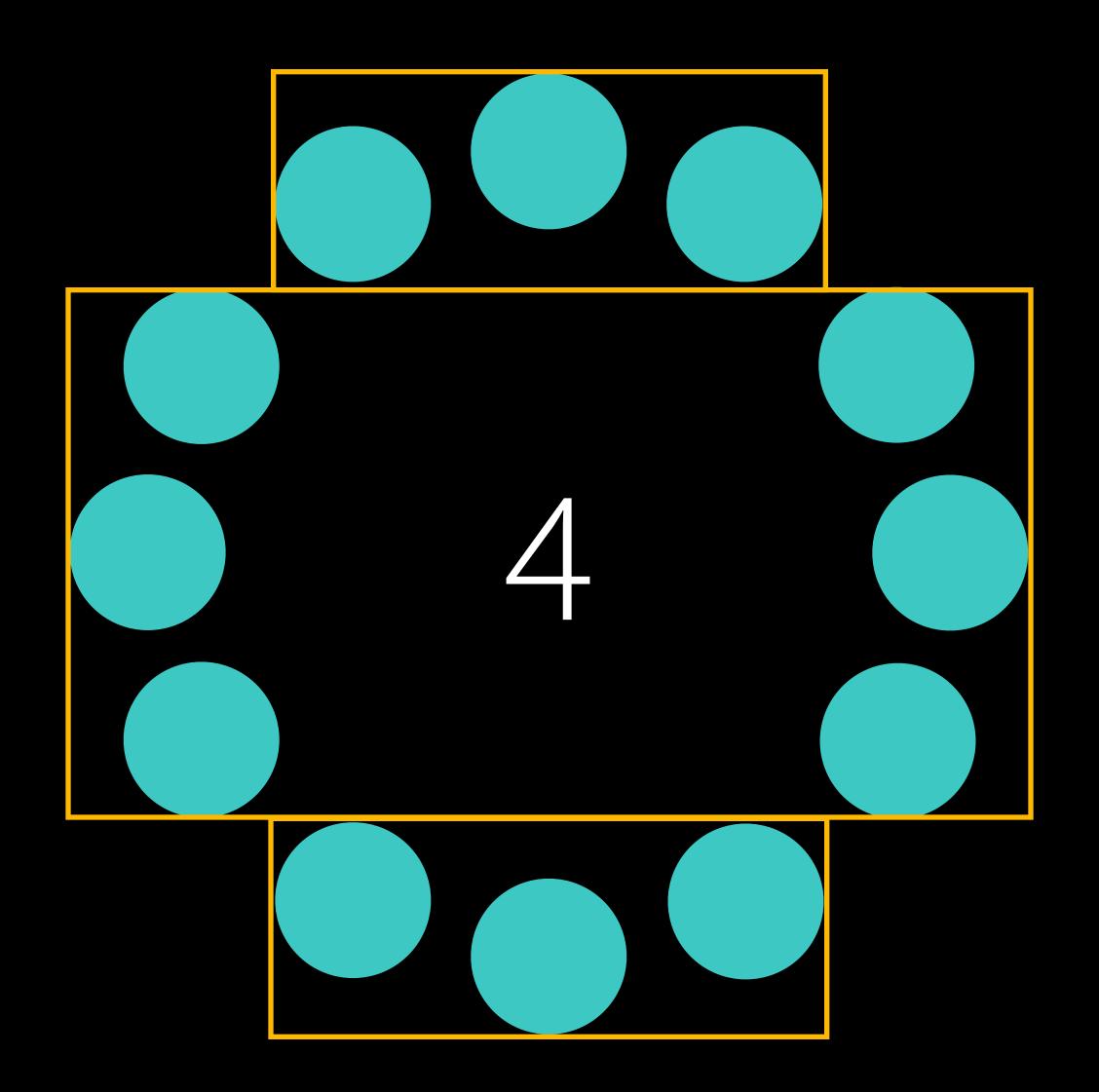




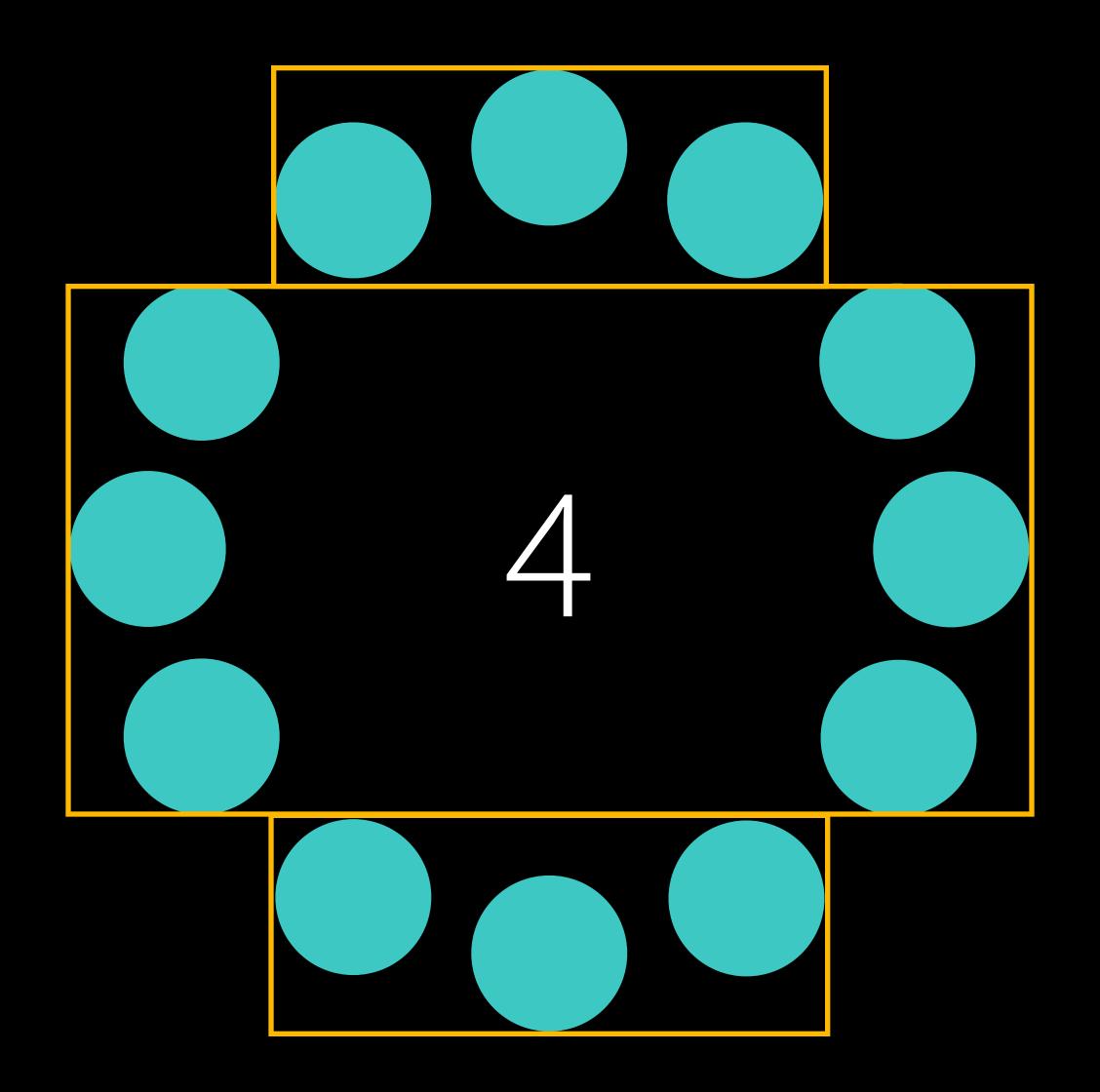




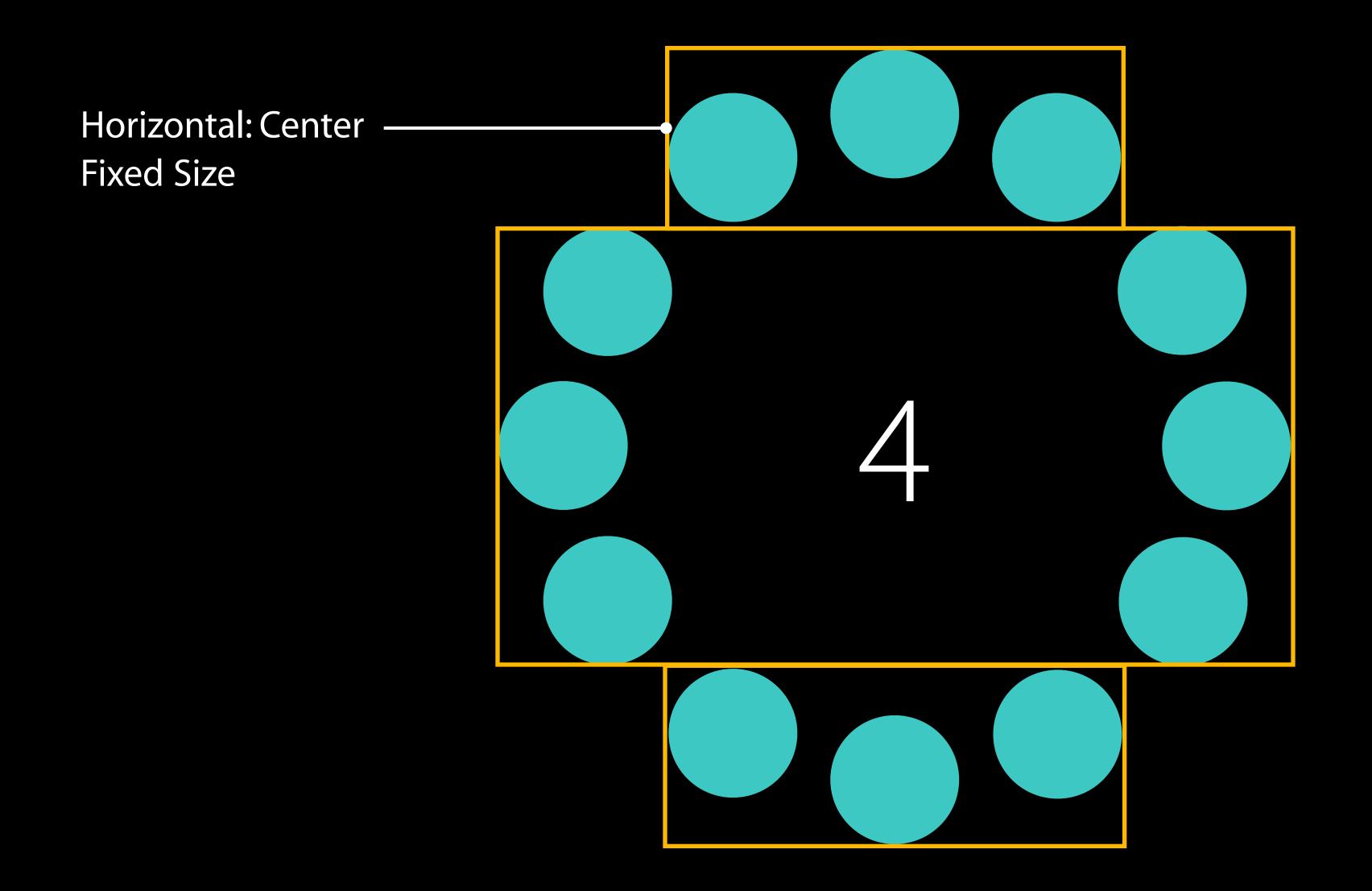




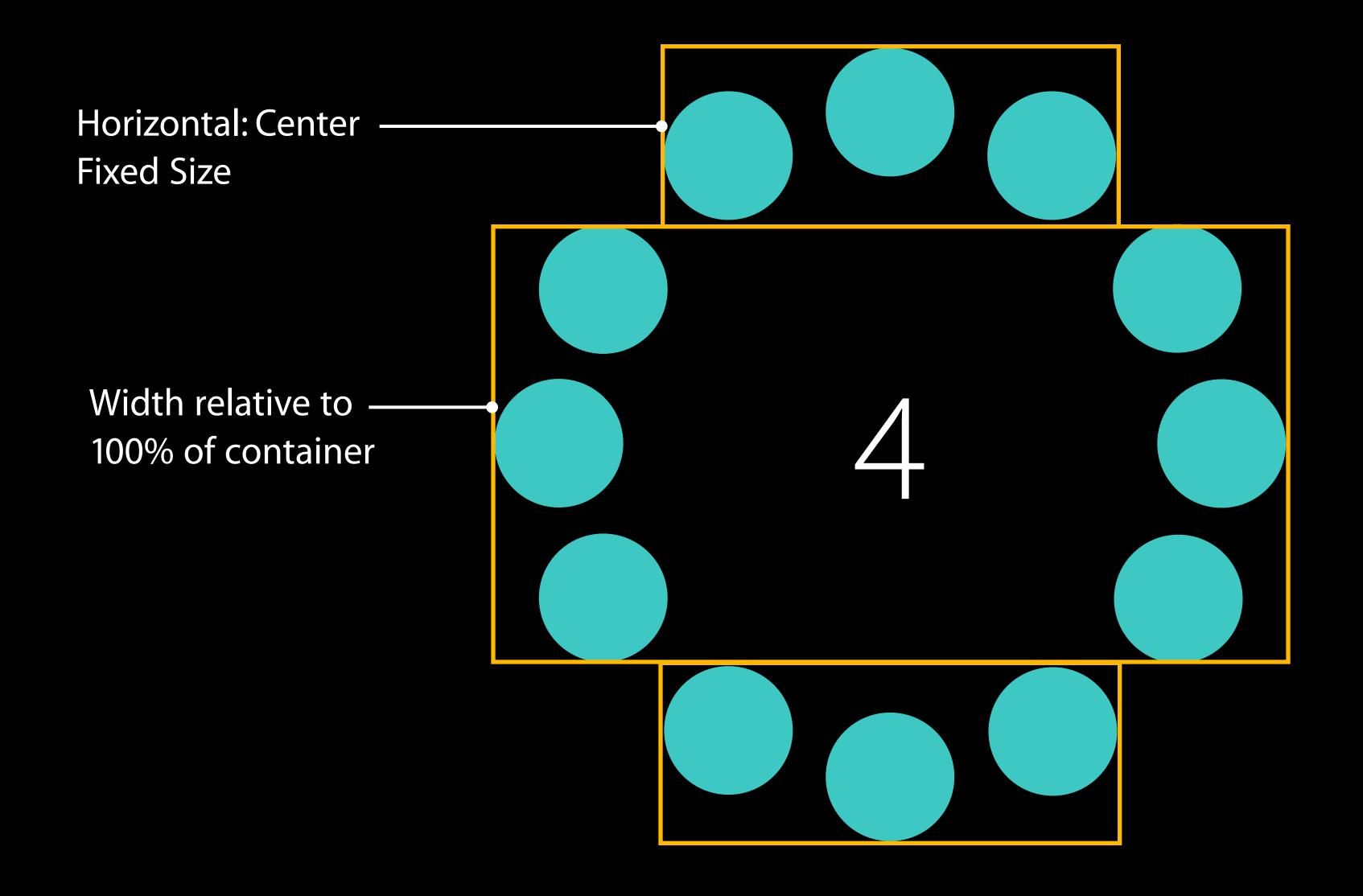
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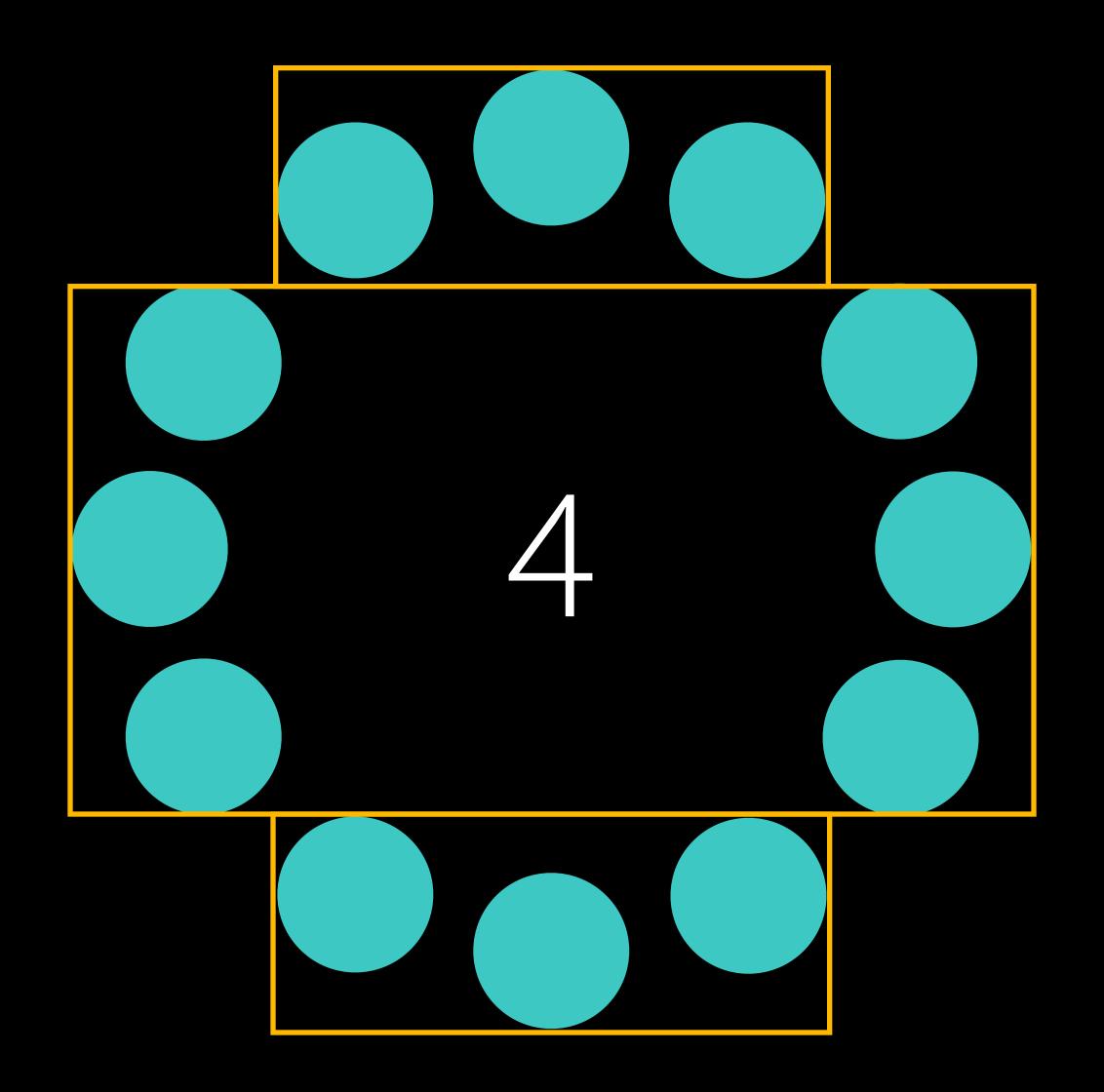


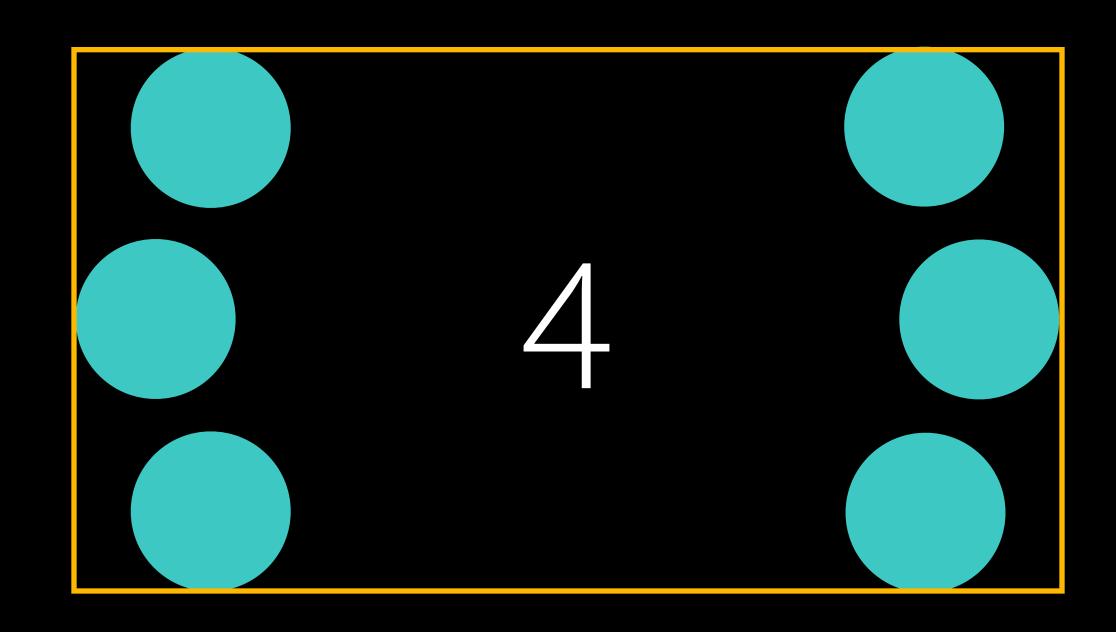
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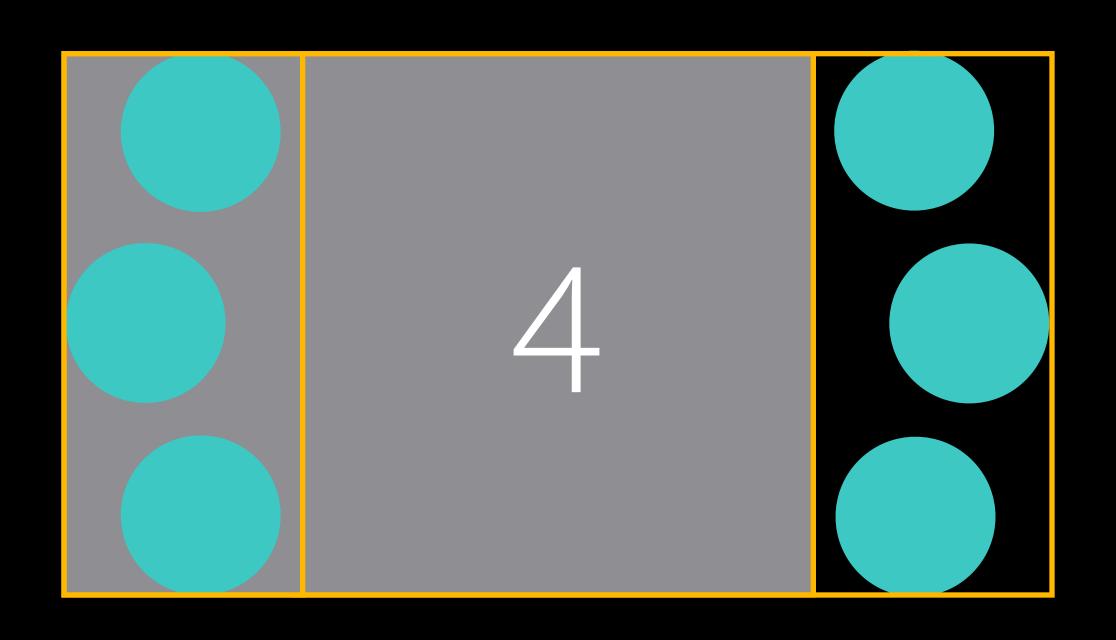
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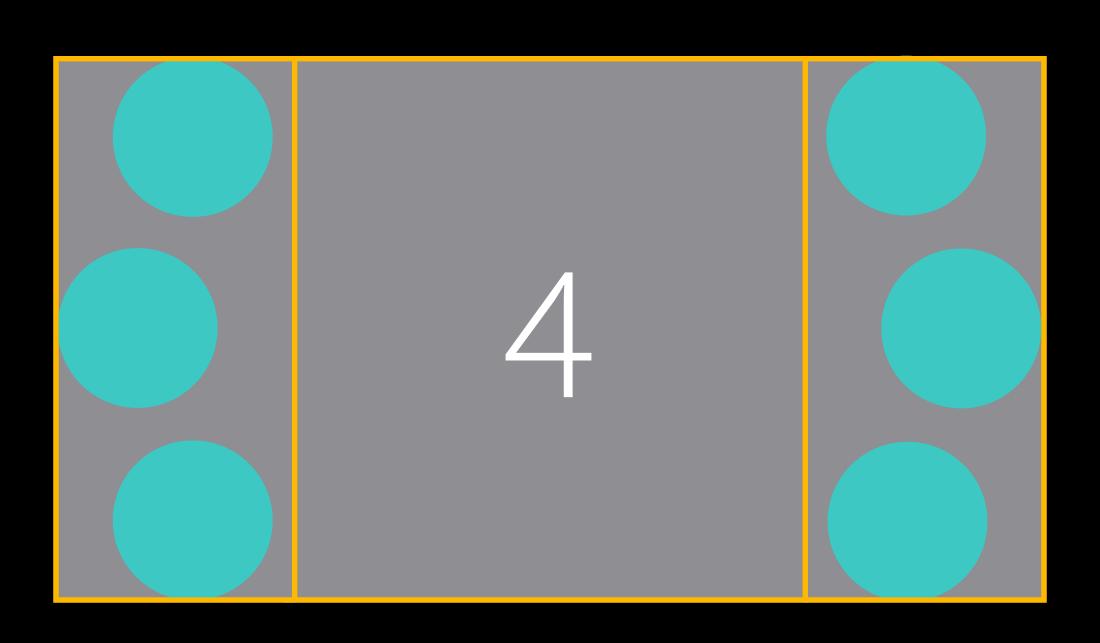


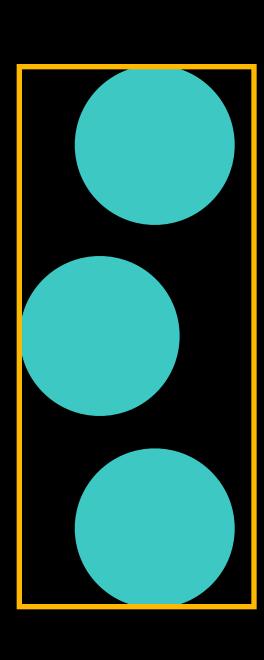


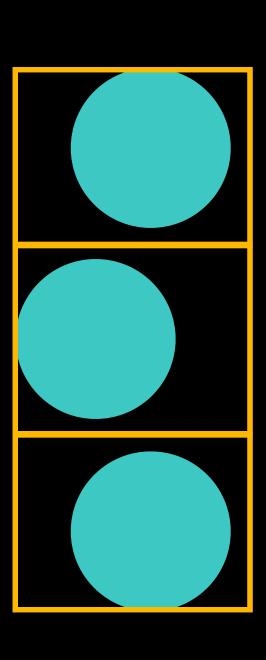


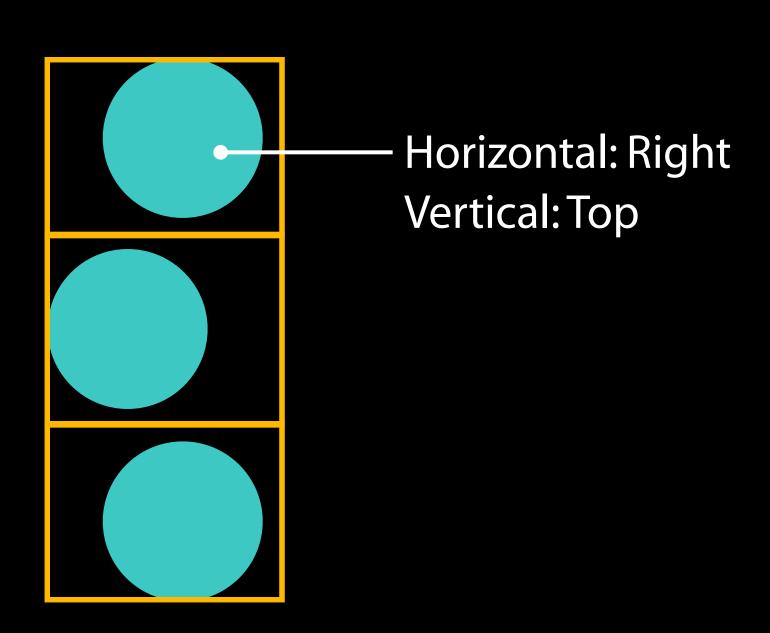


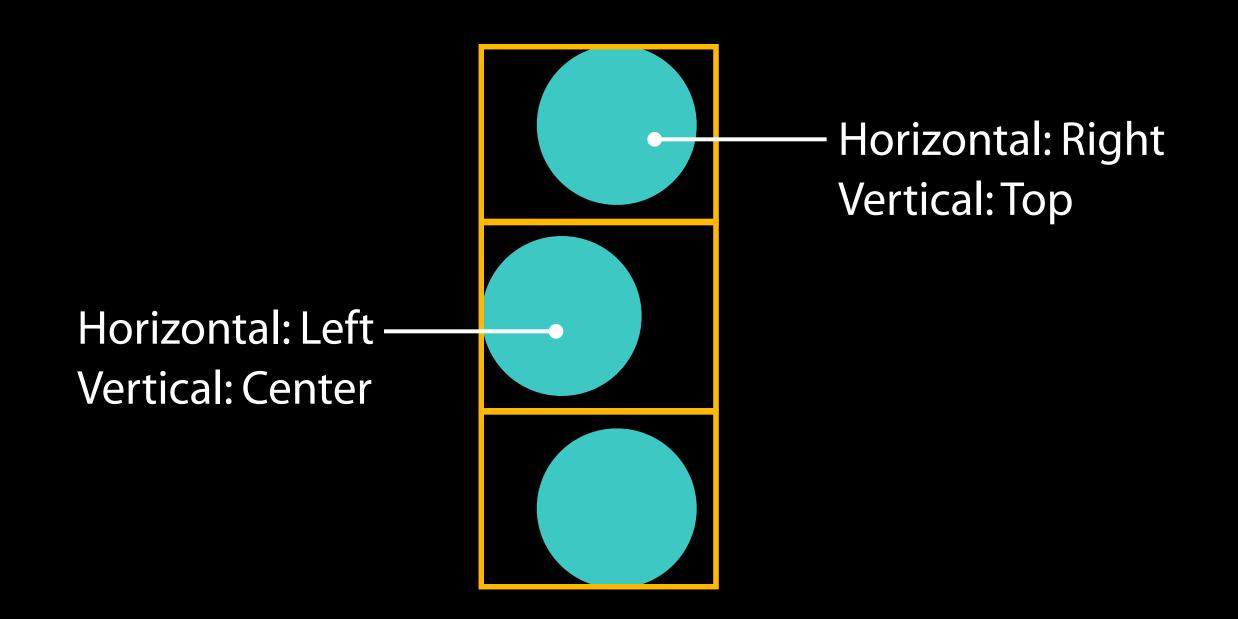


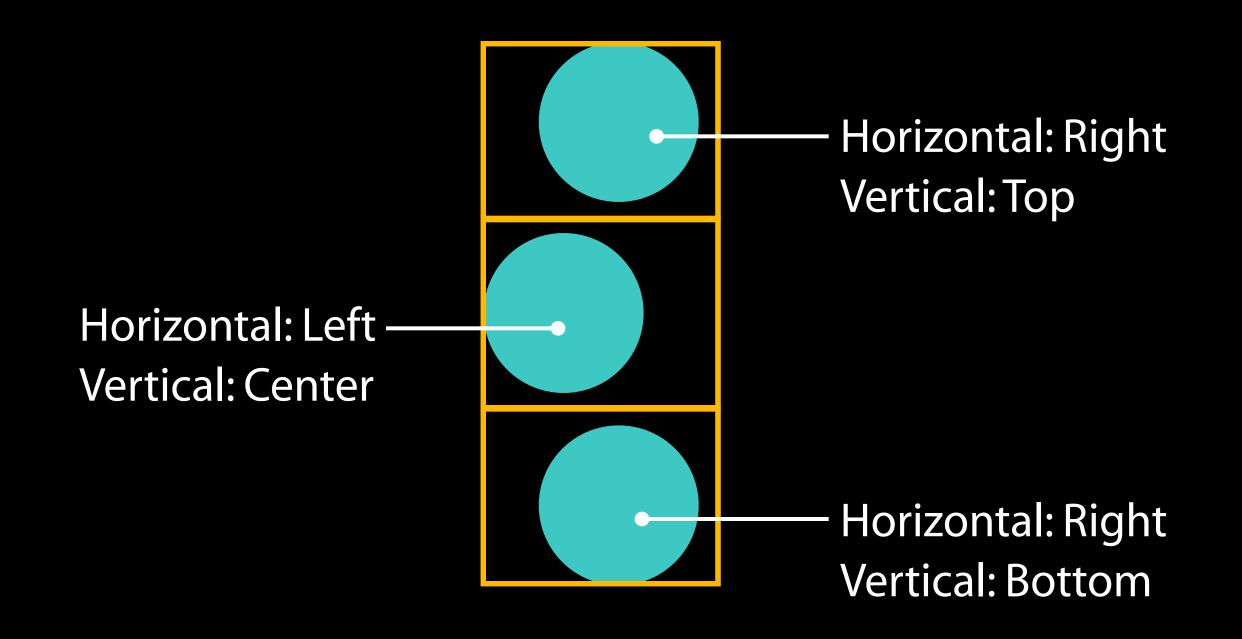












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Don't abuse power of groups



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Animations

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Existing Methods of Animation

Tables and animated images

Certain updates already animate

Certain updates already animate

Insert rows

Certain updates already animate

Insert rows

Remove rows

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Insert rows

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Update row content











```
[self.recipeTable insertRowsAtIndexes:[NSIndexSet indexSetWithIndex:0]
withRowType:@"status"];

StatusRowController *rc = [self.recipeTable rowControllerAtIndex:0];
[rc setText:text];

self.statusRowTimer = [NSTimer scheduledTimerWithTimeInterval:2.0 target:self
selector:@selector(hideStatusRow) userInfo:nil repeats:NO];
```

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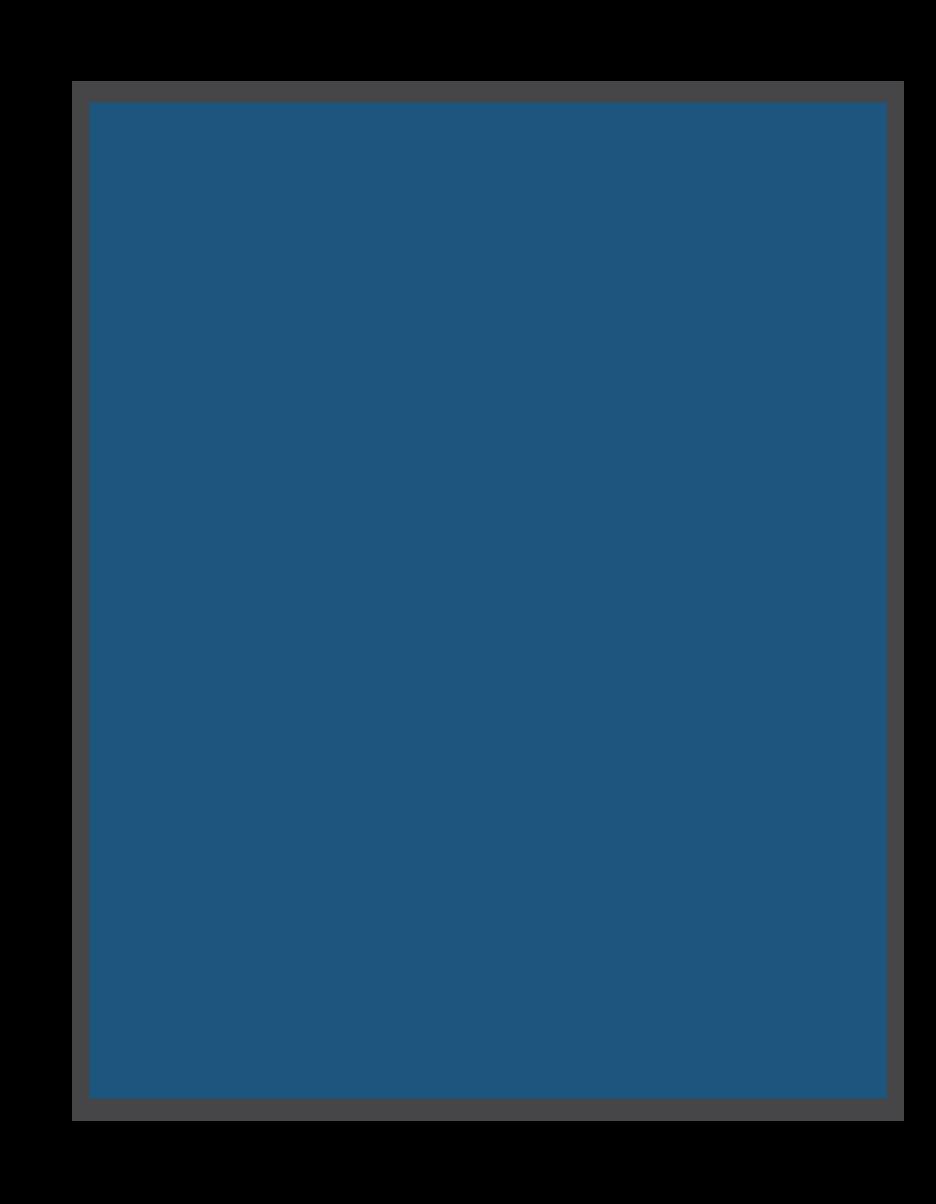








Table Cell



shortDescriptionLabel

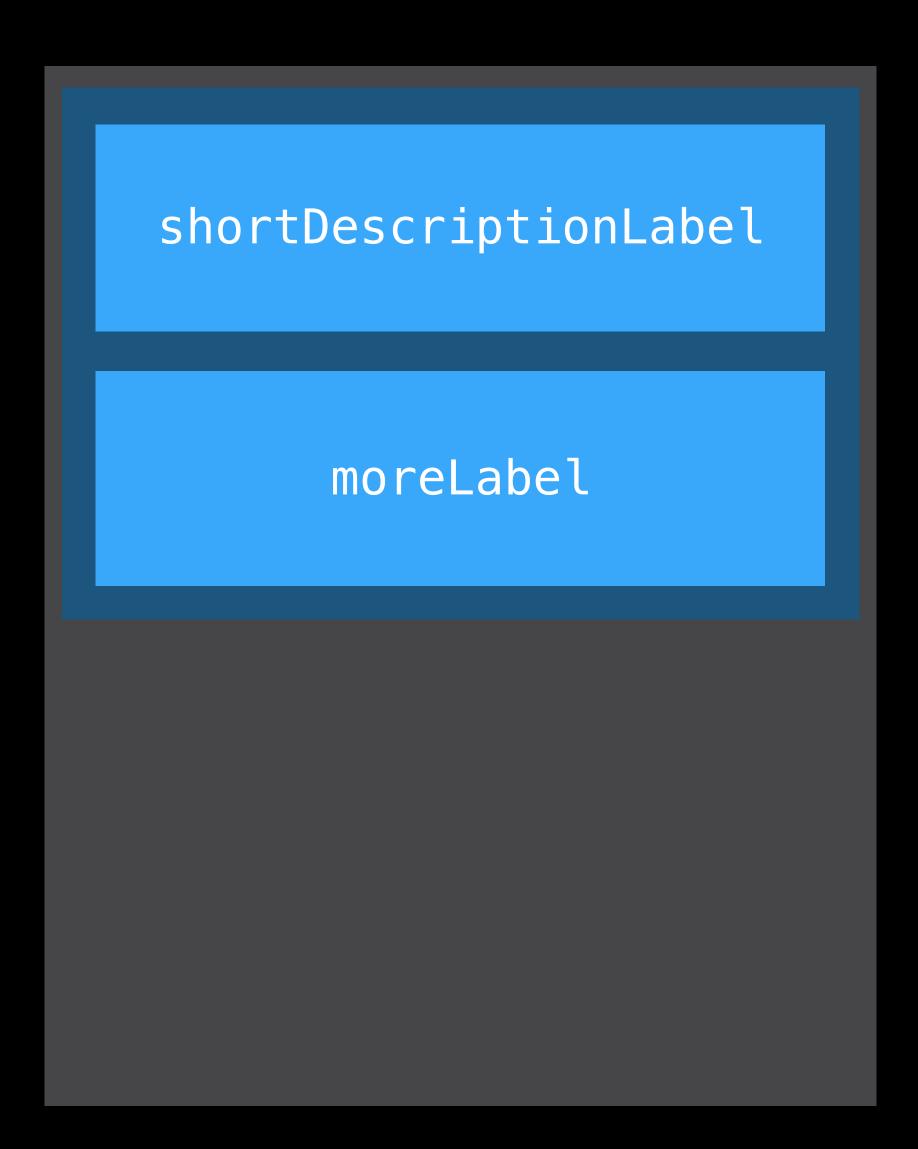
shortDescriptionLabel

moreLabel

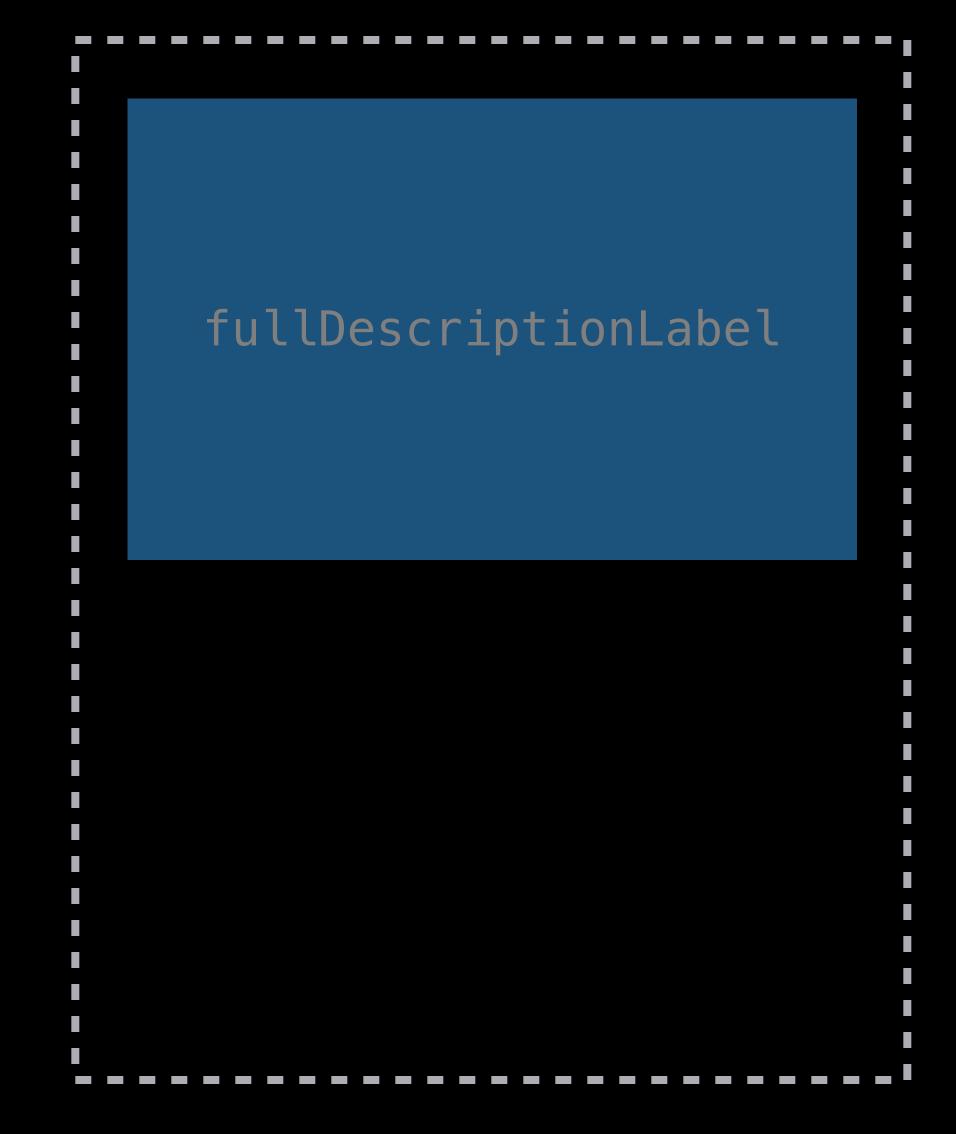
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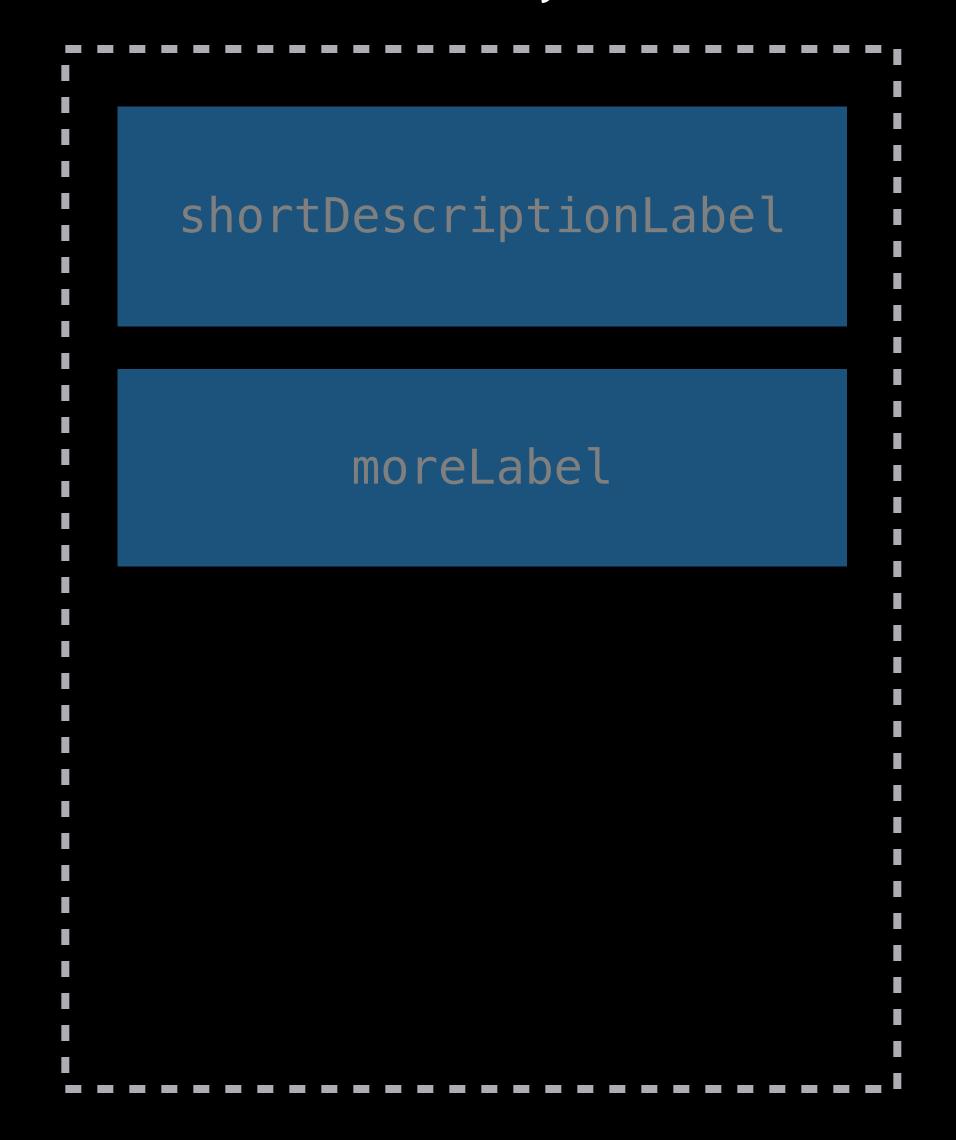


Hidden Objects





Hidden Objects



Reload row content

```
DescriptionRowController *rc = [self.table rowControllerAtIndex:0];
[rc.fullDescriptionLabel setHidden:N0];
[rc.shortDescriptionLabel setHidden:YES];
[rc.moreLabel setHidden:YES];
```

Reload row content



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Cycle through a series of images



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Repeat and reverse animations



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Optimizing images is important

Reduce size and number of images



WKInterfacePicker





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Animation API



Opacity



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Width / height



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Width / height

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Animatable Properties

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Group insets



New API



WKInterfaceController

func animateWithDuration(duration: NSTimeInterval, animations: () -> Void)

Animation Examples













```
for (NSInteger i = 0; i < self.outerGroups.count; i++) {</pre>
    WKInterfaceGroup *group = self.outerGroups[i];
    dispatch_time_t time = dispatch_time(DISPATCH_TIME_NOW, (int64_t)delay);
    dispatch_after(time, dispatch_get_main_queue(), ^{
        [self animateWithDuration:duration animations:^{
            [group setAlpha:alpha];
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    });
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WKInterfaceController

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^{*}Coming in a future watchOS 2 seed





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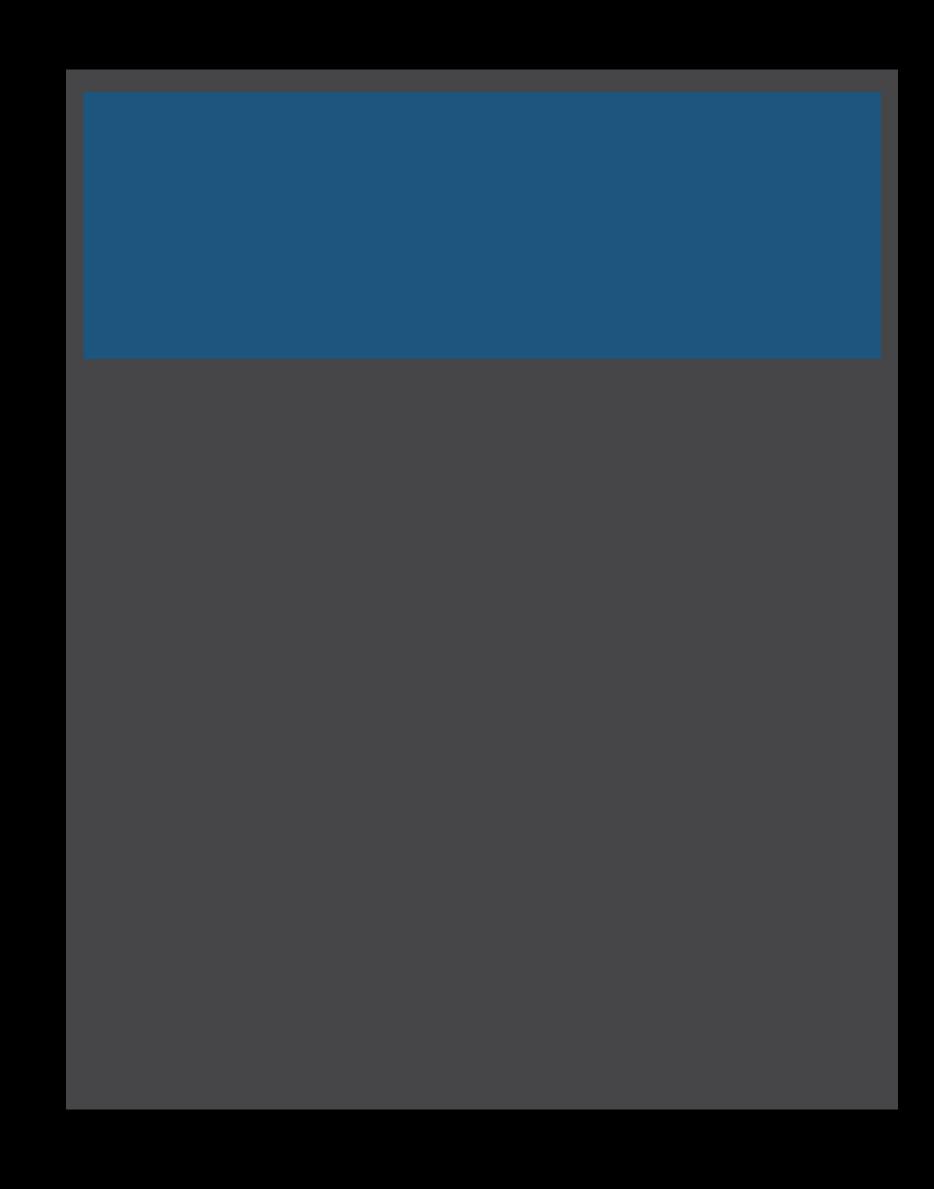


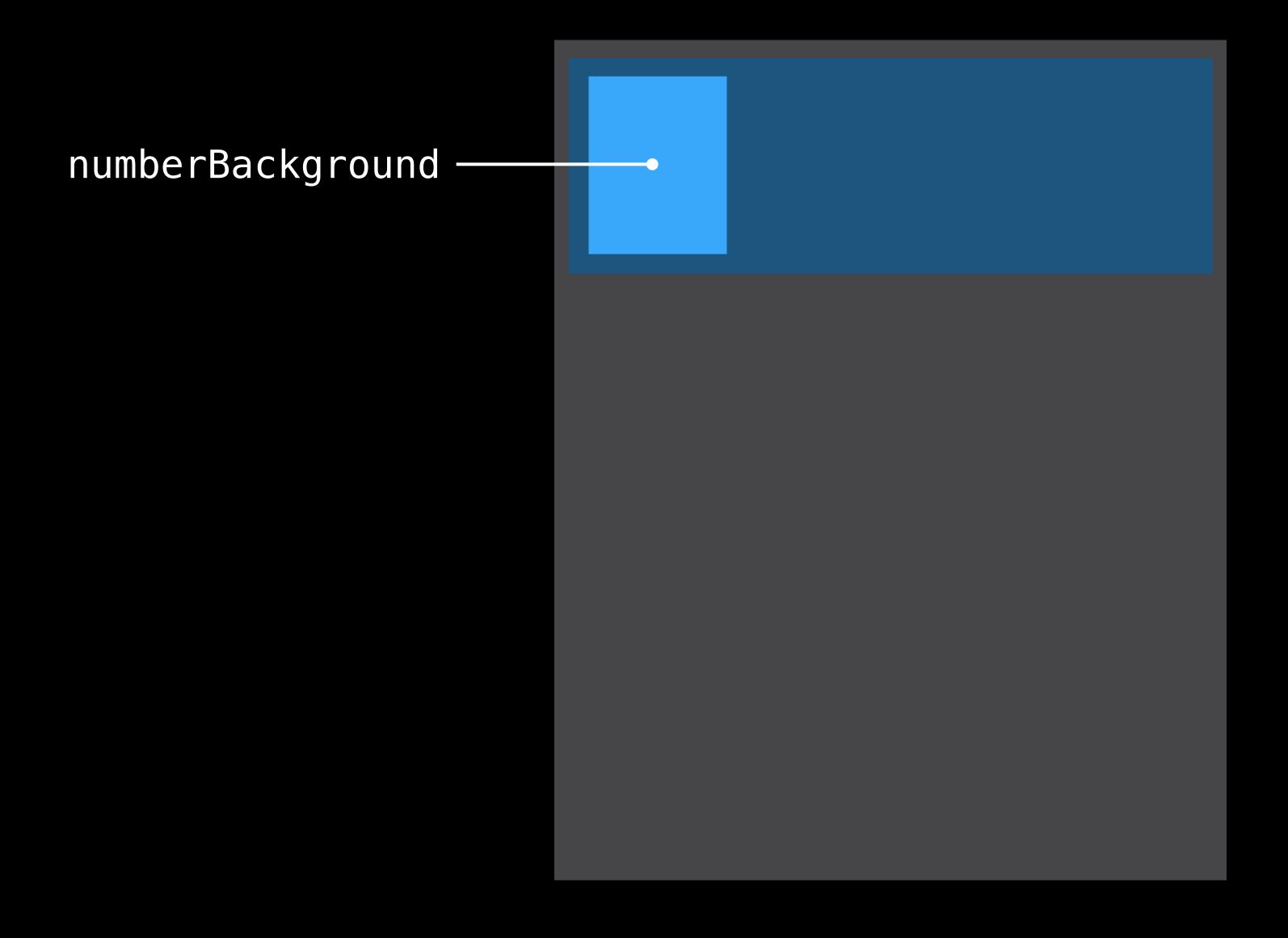


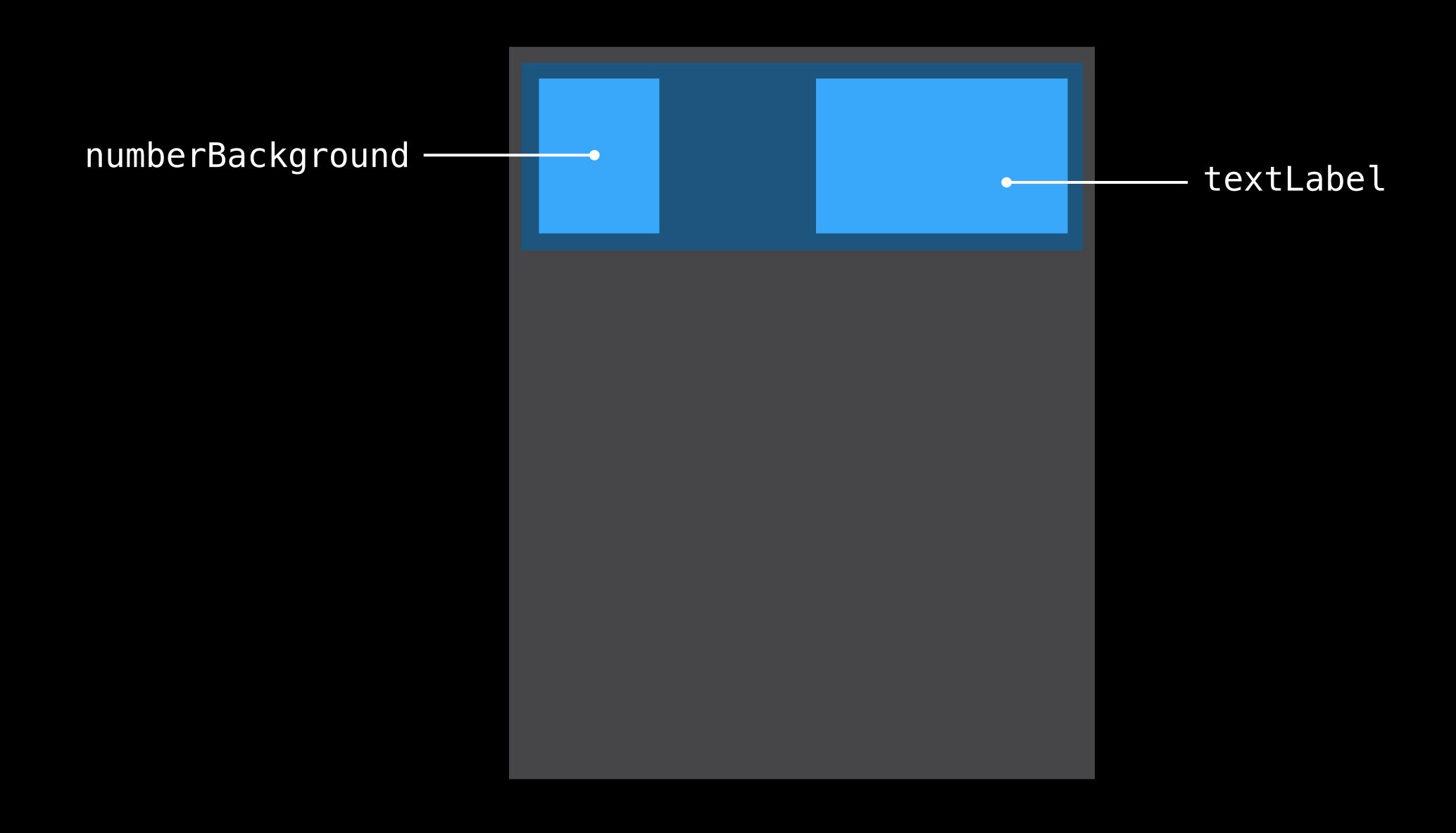


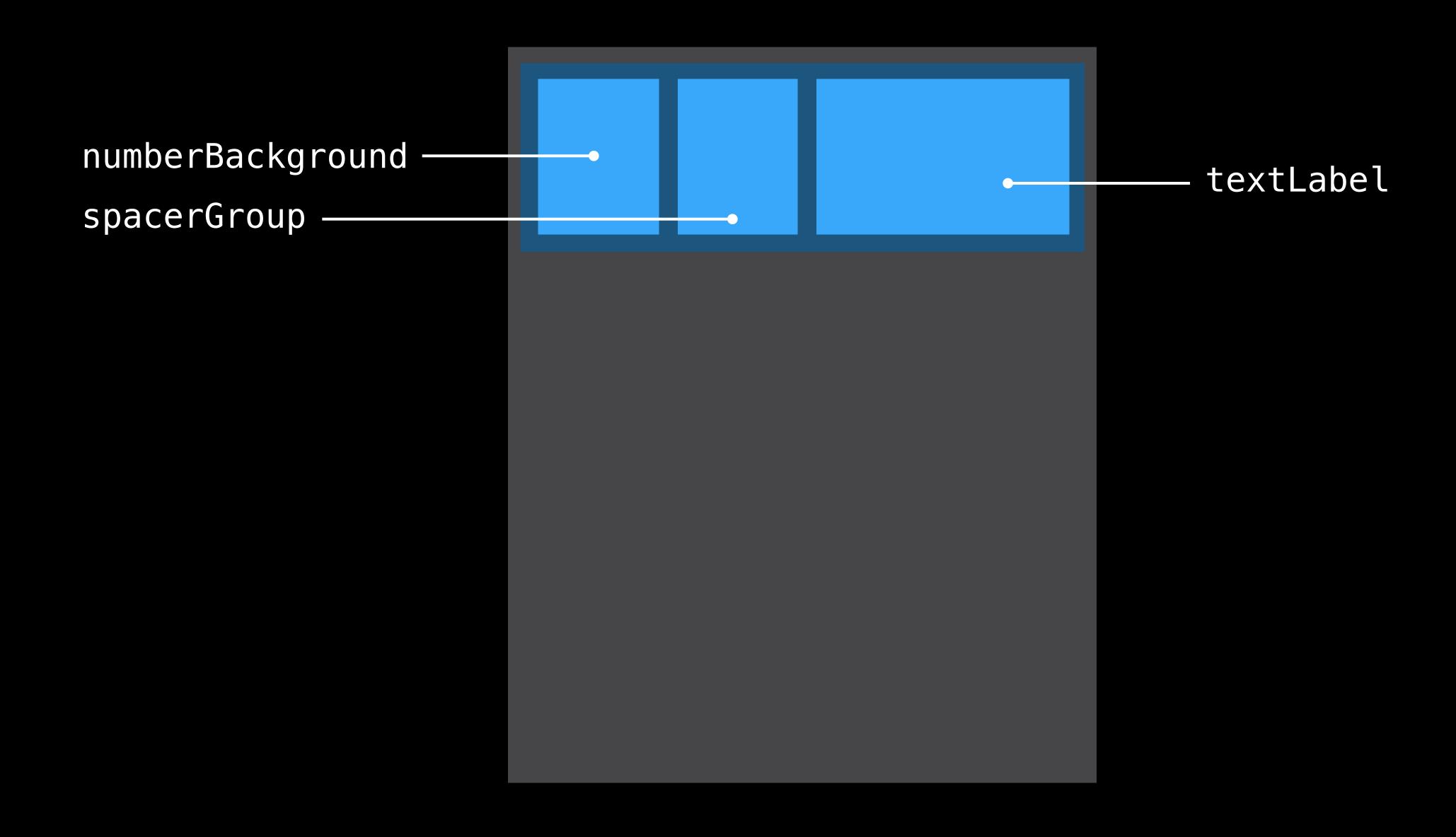


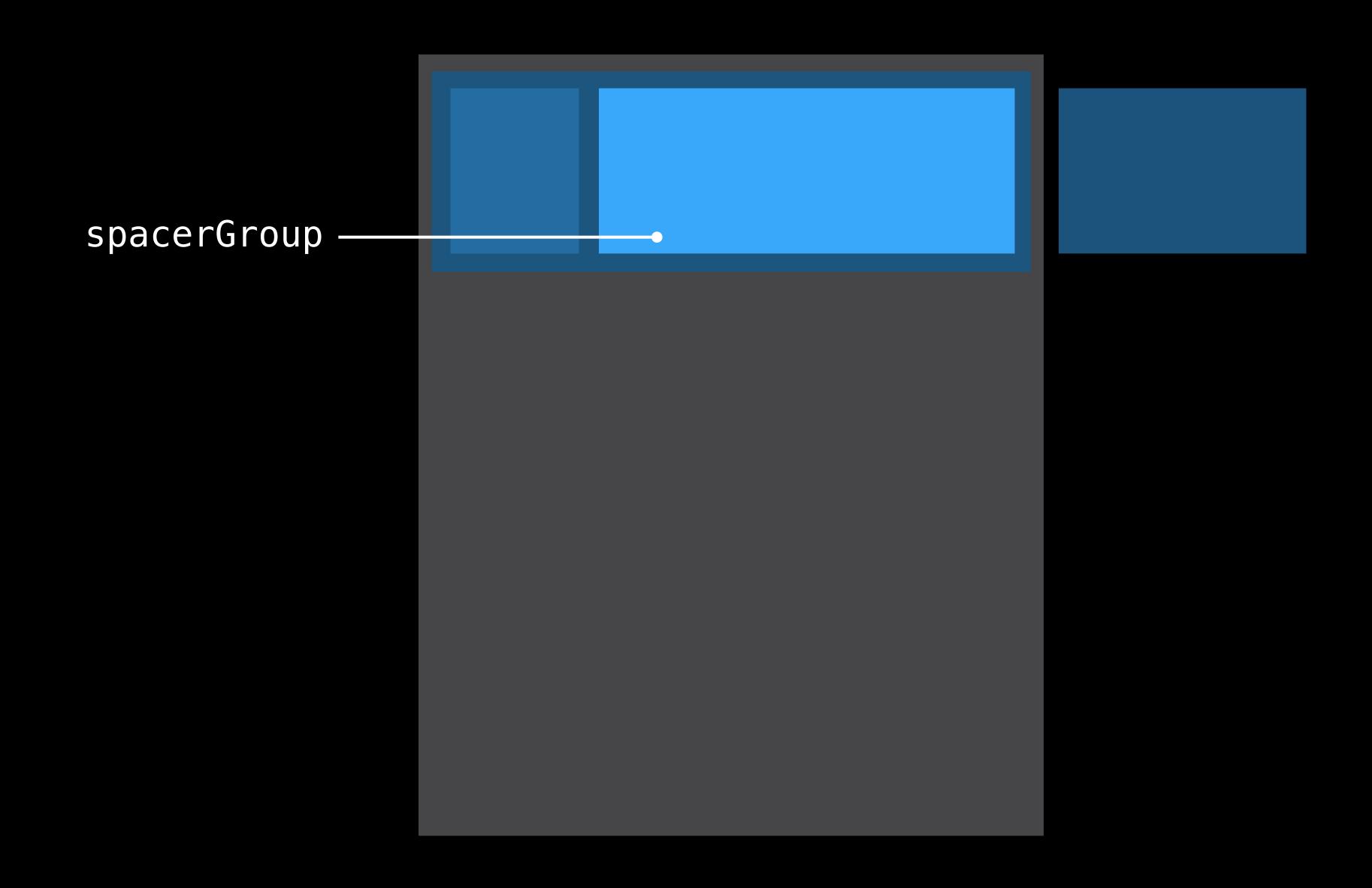


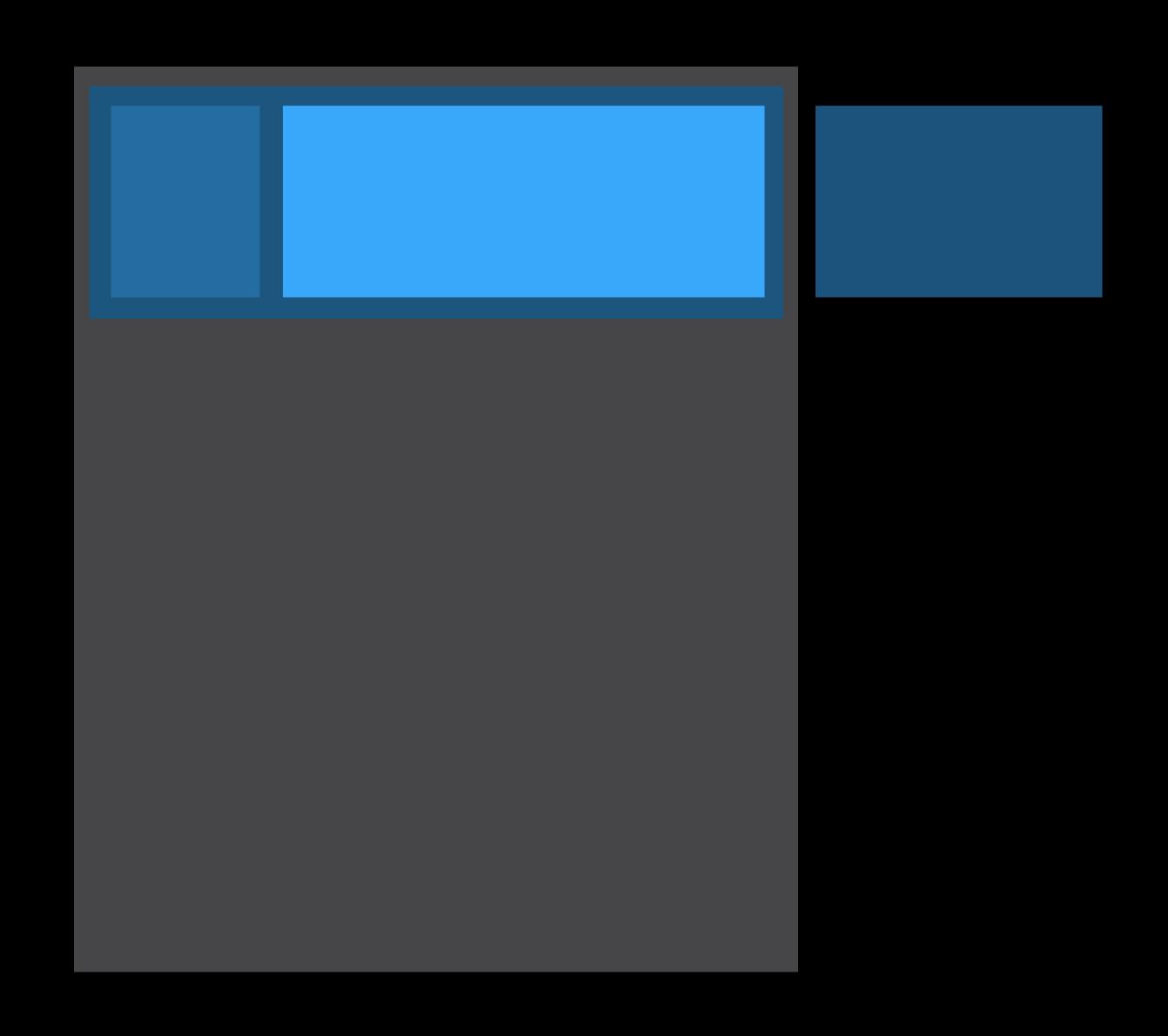


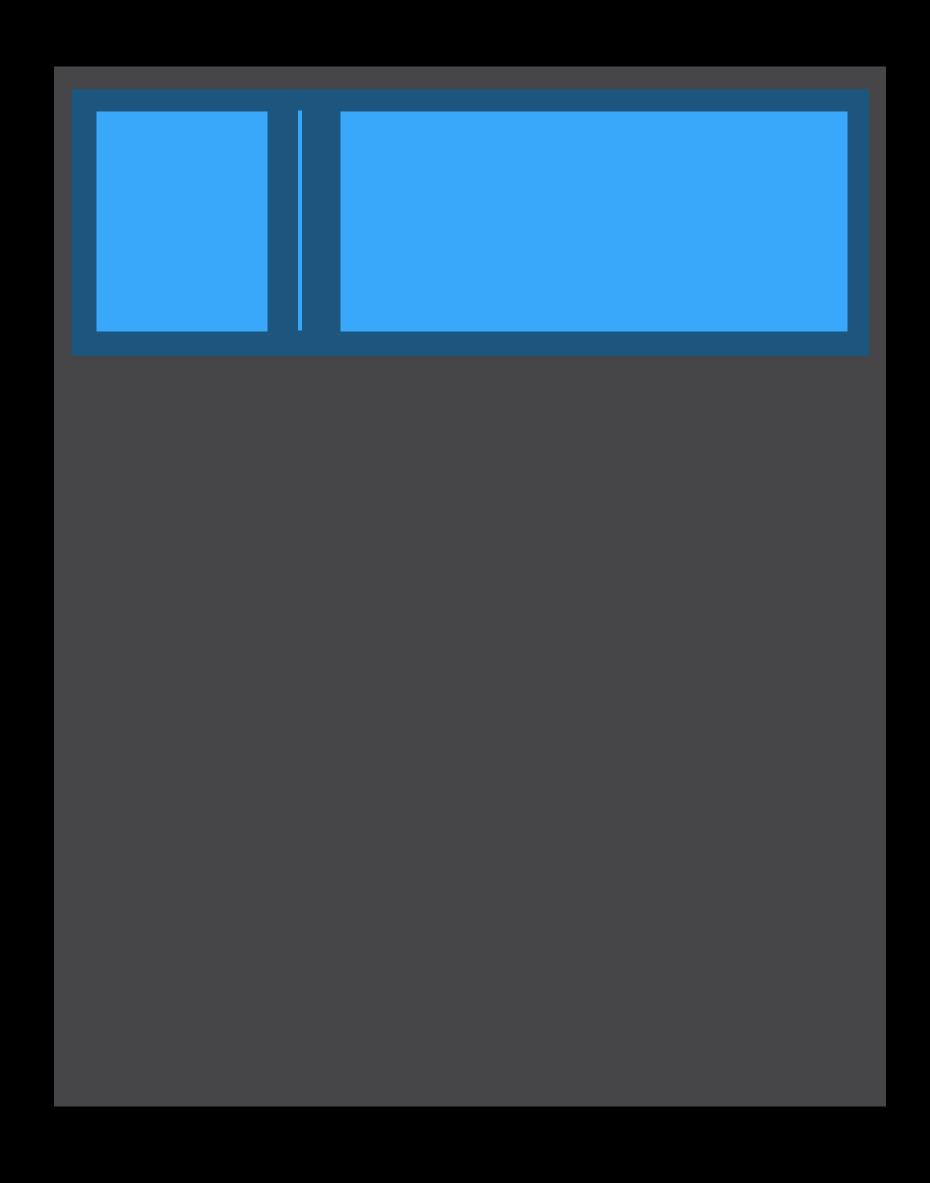


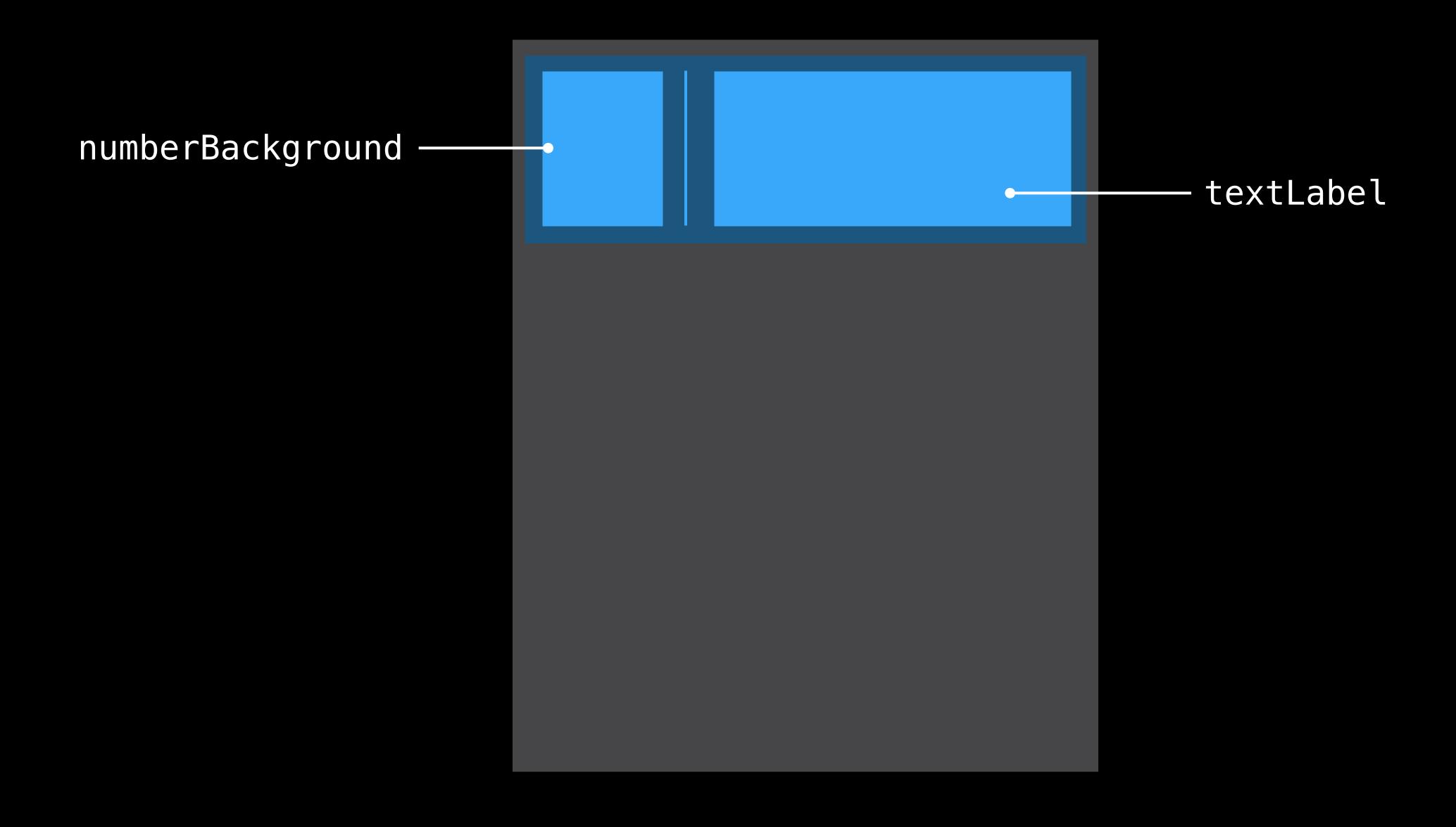












```
[self animateWithDuration:0.3 animations:^{
   for (NSInteger i = 0 ; i < self.instructionsTable.numberOfRows; i++) {</pre>
       IngredientRowController *rowController = [self.instructionsTable
       rowControllerAtIndex:i];
       [rowController_numberBackground setAlpha:1.0];
       [rowController.textLabel setAlpha:1.0];
       [rowController.spacerGroup setWidth:0.0];
```

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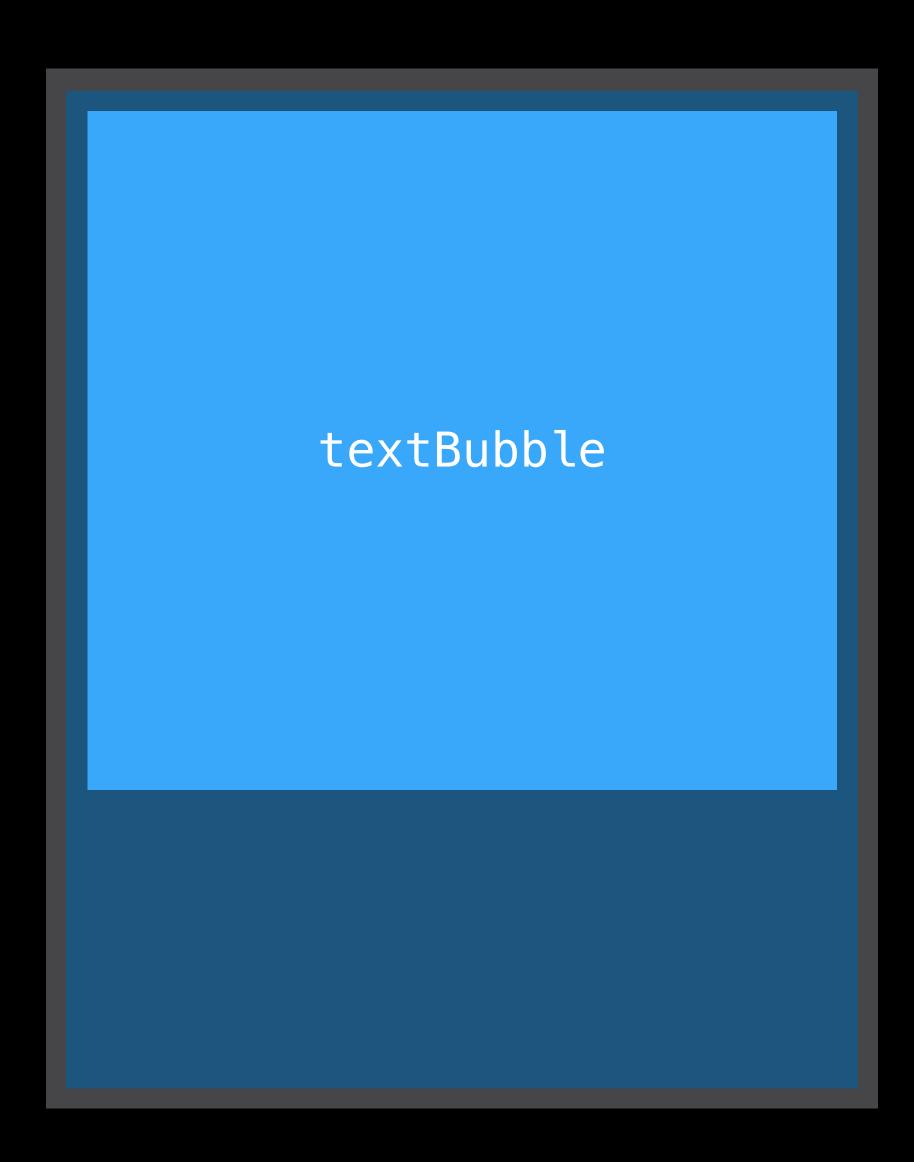








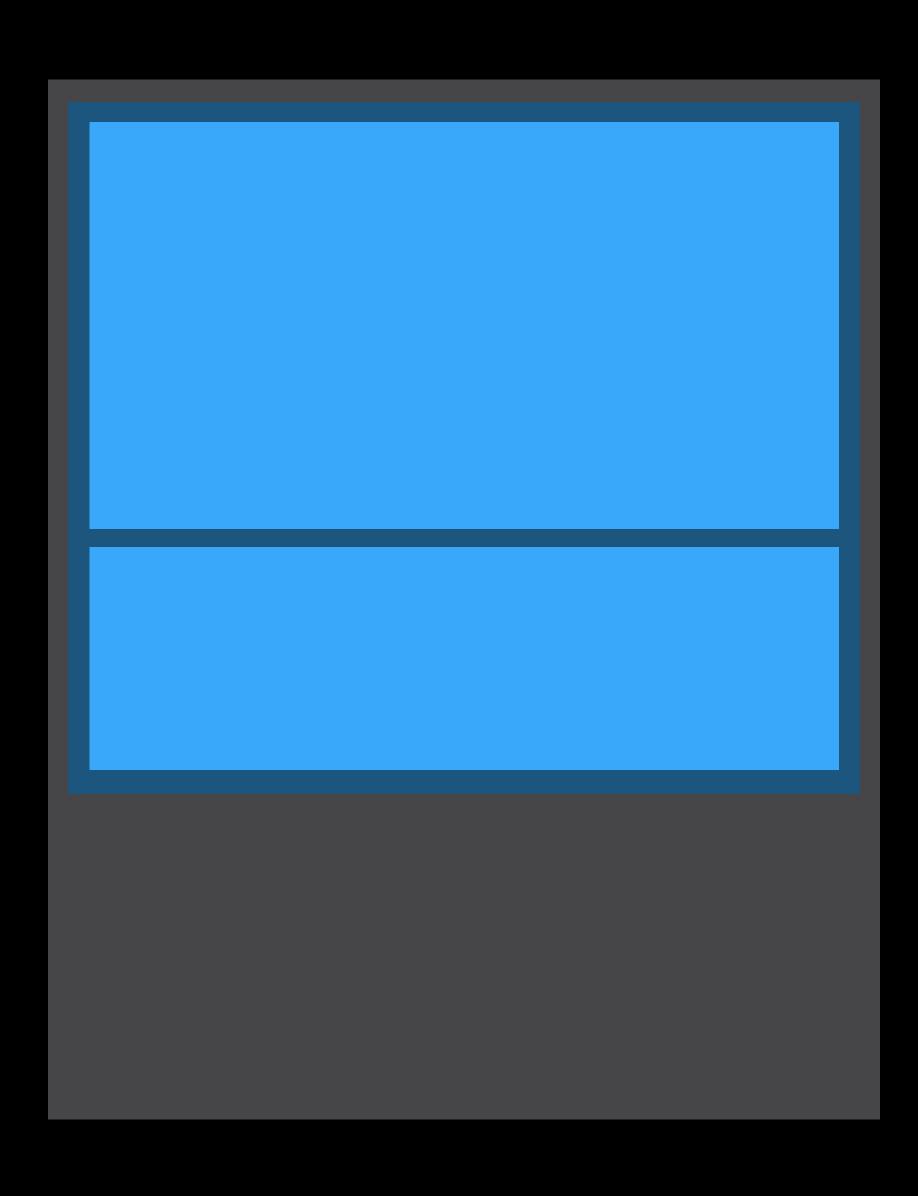
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textBubble

confirmationButton

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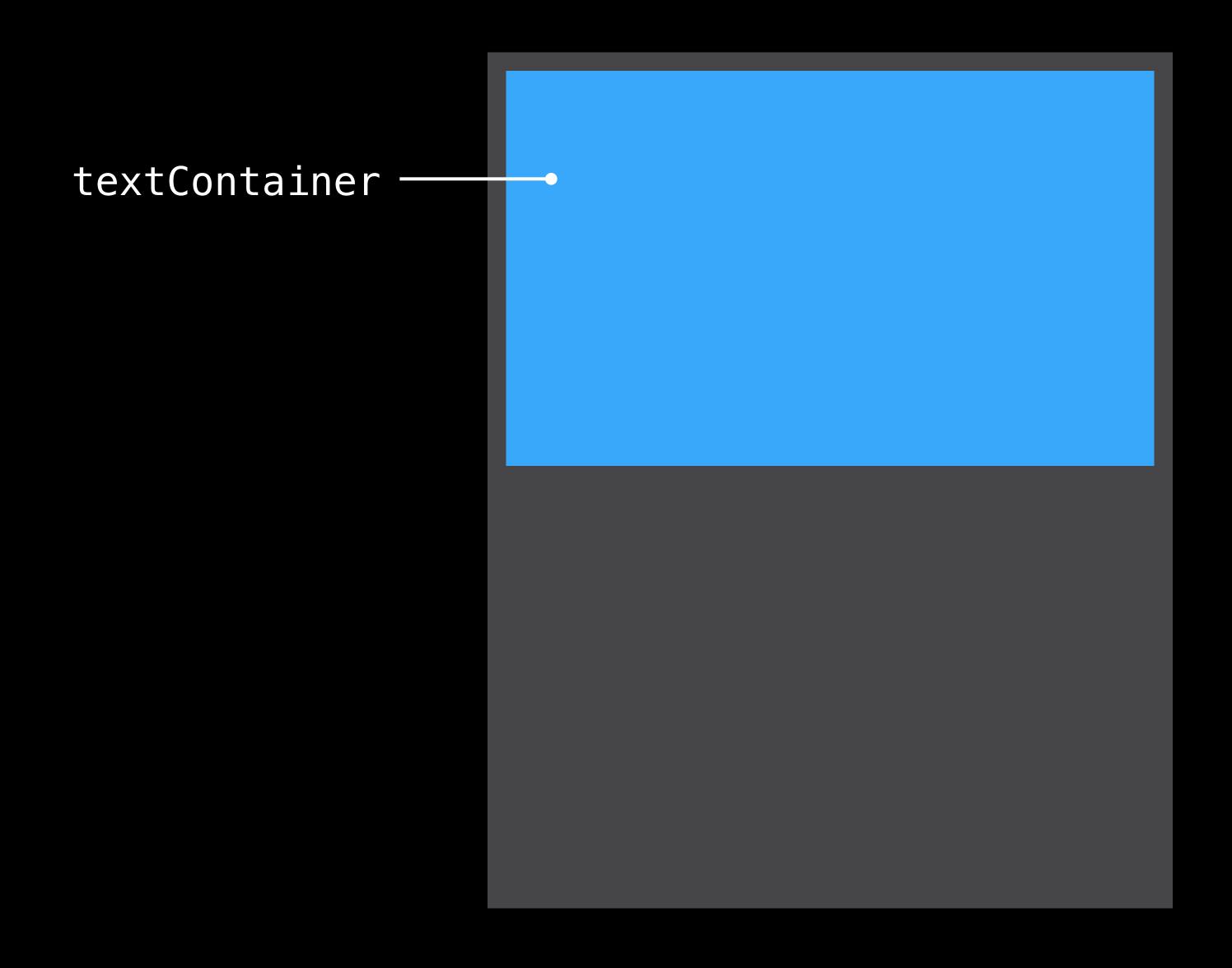
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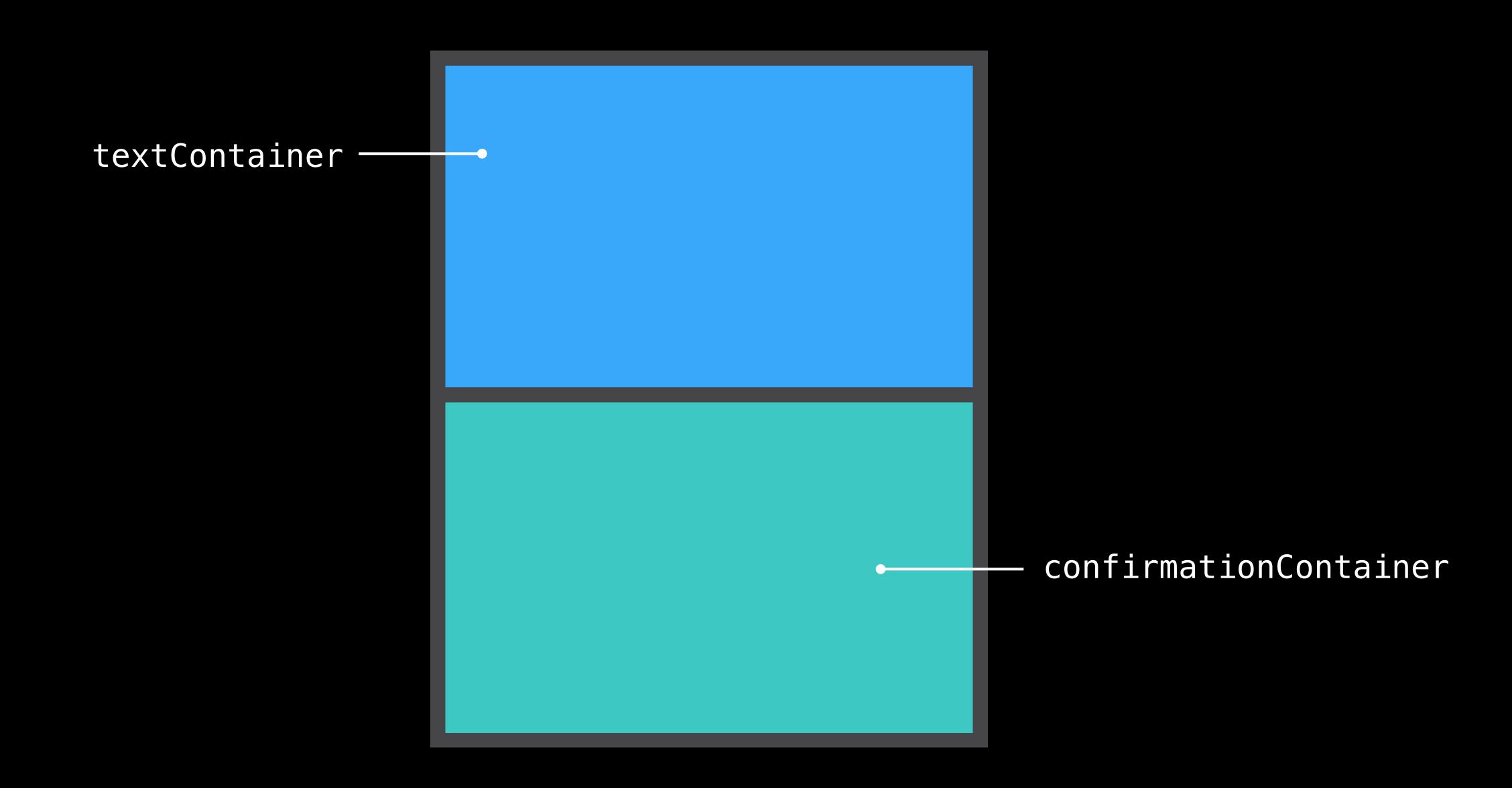
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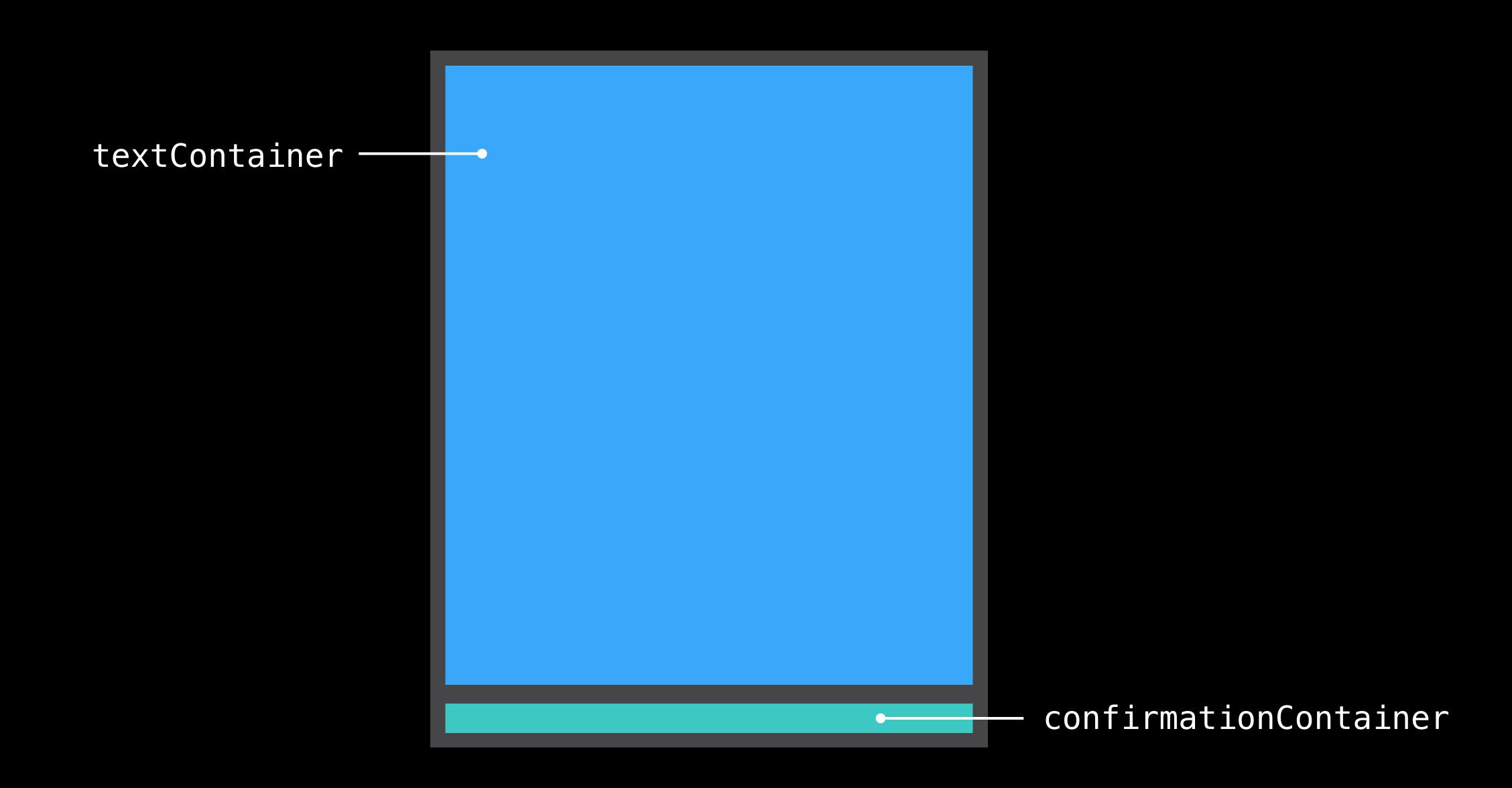
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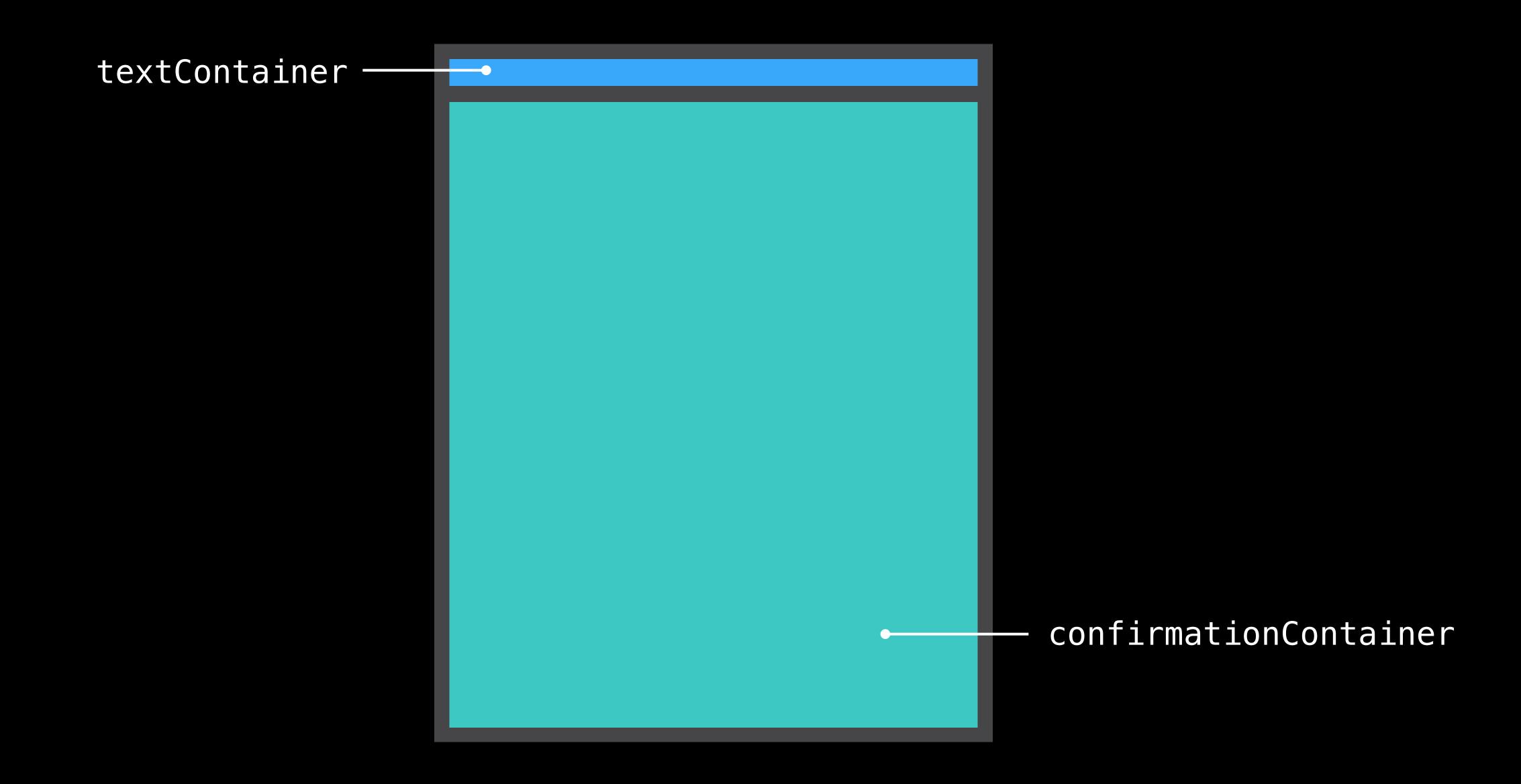












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