

# Balancing Efficiency and Flexibility

Cost of Abstractions in Embedded Systems

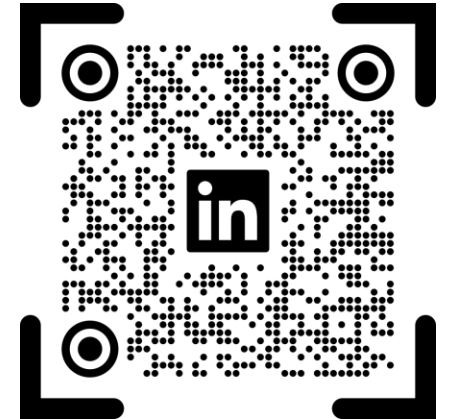
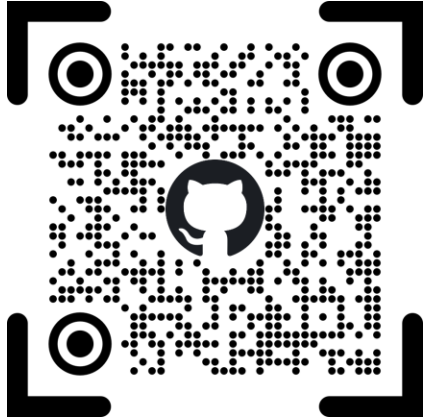
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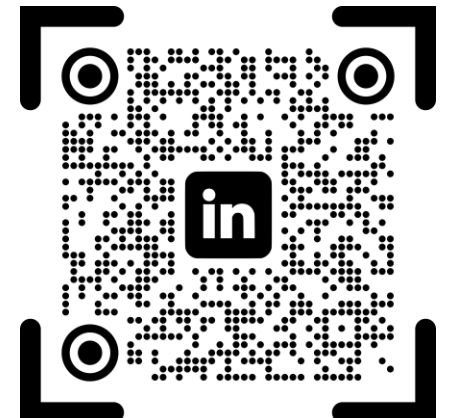
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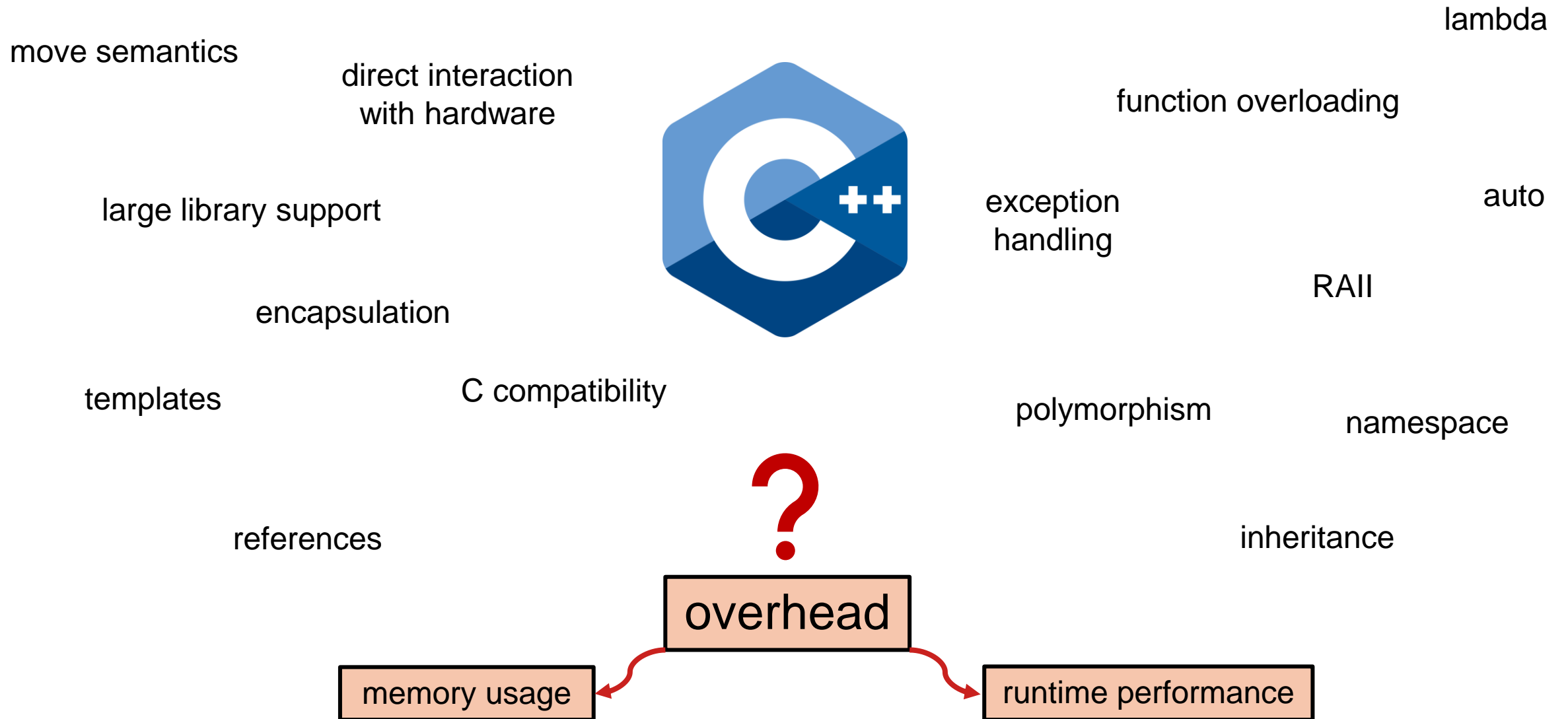


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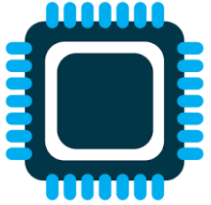
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# Motivation



# Overview



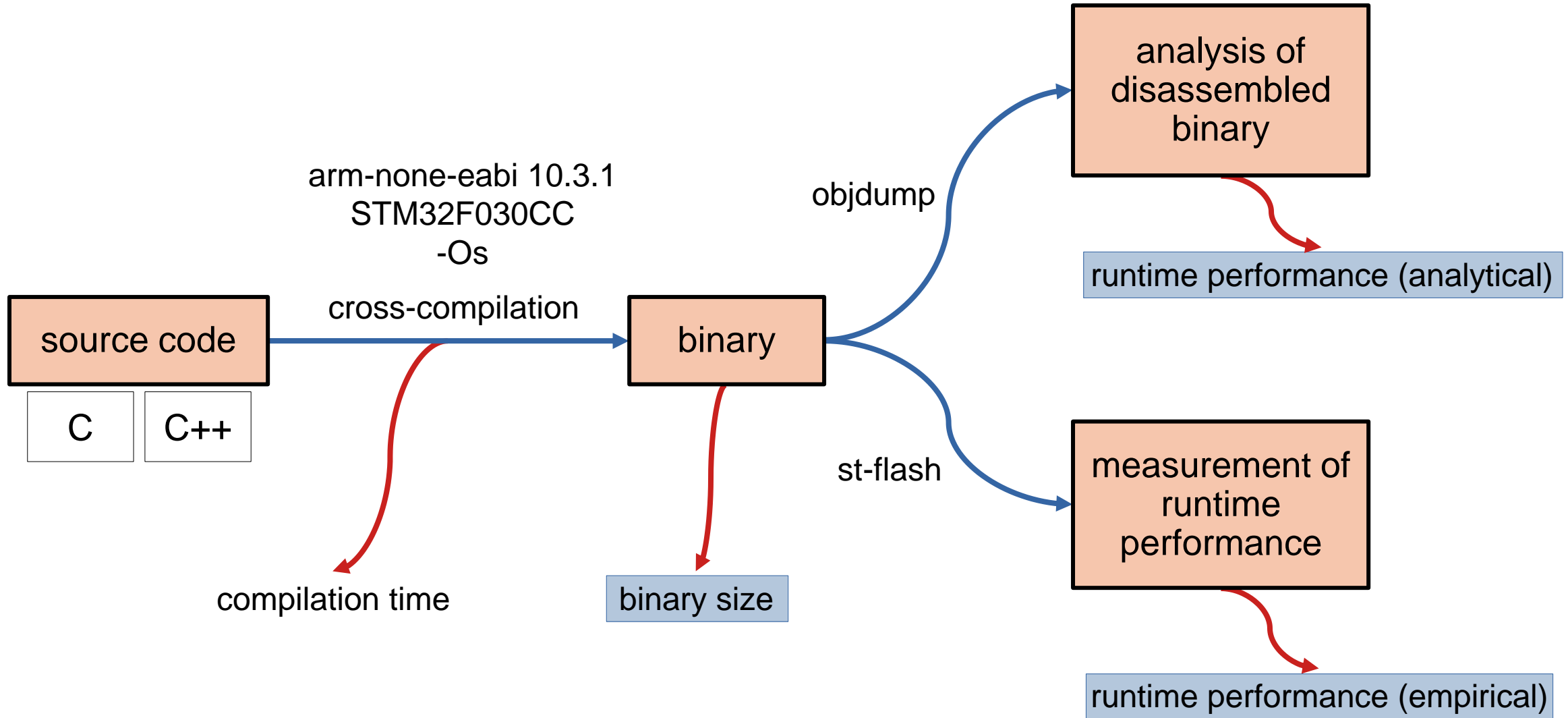
## Hardware Abstraction Layer

- Encapsulation
- Inheritance
- Polymorphism

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- Template Metaprogramming
- Concepts
- Constant Expressions
- Immediate Functions
- Parameter Pack and Fold Expressions
- Constexpr If Statements

# Methodology



# Base Firmware

Absolute minimal embedded project:

- Main function:
  - Consists of a single, empty infinite loop
- Startup script:
  - Defines the vector table
  - Sets stack pointer
  - Copies data section from Flash to RAM
  - Initializes uninitialized global and static variables to zero
  - Calls static constructors
  - Calls *main()*
- Linker Script: specifies the memory

2092 bytes

- text: 524 bytes
- data: 0 bytes
- bss: 1568 bytes



# Traditional HAL

```
typedef struct {  
    uint32_t pin;  
    GPIO_Modes mode;  
} GPIO_InitStruct;
```

```
void GPIO_Init(GPIO_InitStruct* conf) {  
    uint32_t temp;  
  
    /* check the values */  
    if (!IS_GPIO_PIN(conf->pin)) { return; }  
    if (!IS_GPIO_MODE(conf->mode)) { return; }  
  
    /* configure the GPIO based on the settings */  
    if (conf->mode == GPIO_MODE_OUTPUT) {  
        temp = OSPEEDR;  
        temp &= ~(OSPEEDR_MASK << (conf->pin * 2u));  
        temp |= (GPIO_SPEED_FREQ_LOW << (conf->pin * 2u));  
        OSPEEDR = temp;  
        /* ... */  
    }  
    /* ... */  
}
```

```
int main (void) {  
    GPIO_InitStruct conf = { 0 };  
  
    conf.pin = GPIO_PIN_6;  
    conf.mode = GPIO_MODE_INPUT;  
  
    GPIO_Init(&conf) ;  
  
    while (1) { }  
}
```

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generic register

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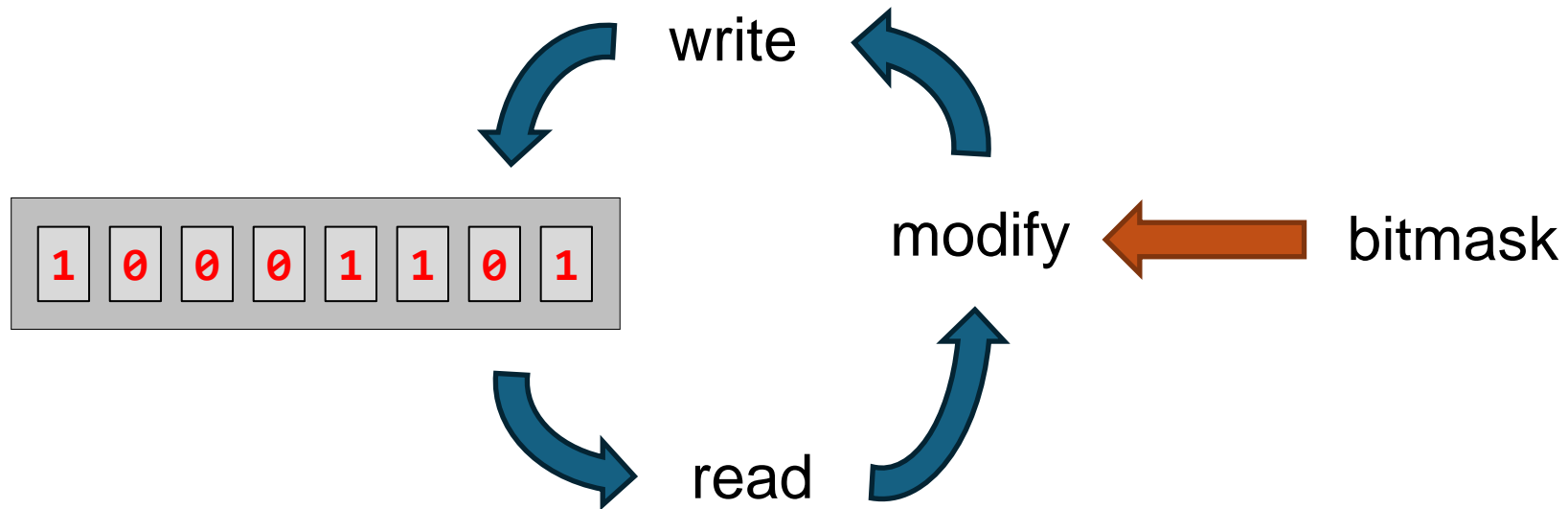
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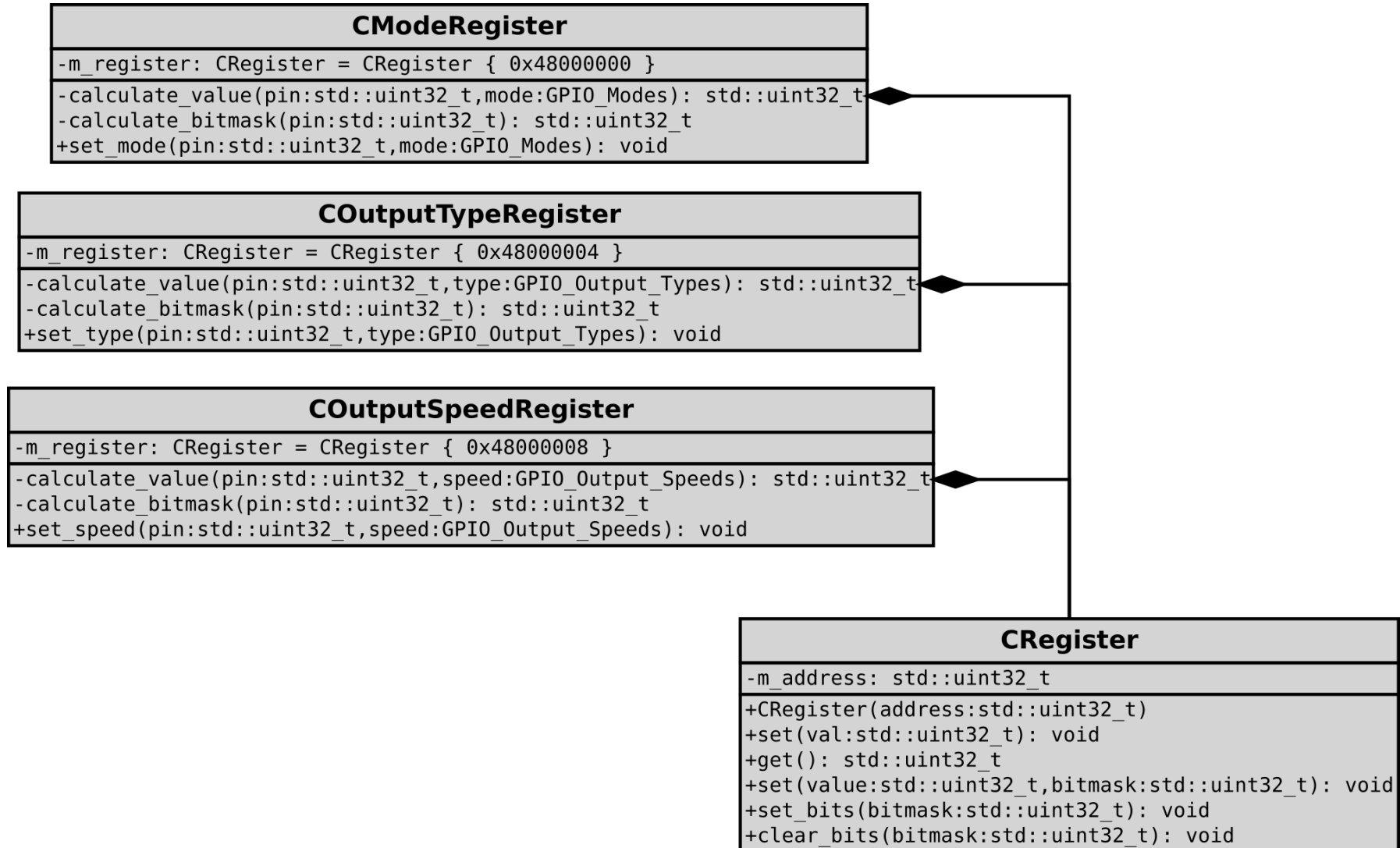
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(basic)

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class CRegister {  
private:  
    const std::uint32_t m_address;  
public:  
    CRegister (std::uint32_t address) : m_address(address) { }  
    void set (std::uint32_t val) const {  
        *(reinterpret_cast<volatile std::uint32_t *>(m_address)) = val;  
    }  
    /* ... */  
};
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## CRegister

```
-m_address: std::uint32_t  
+CRegister(address:std::uint32_t)  
+set(val:std::uint32_t): void  
+get(): std::uint32_t  
+set(value:std::uint32_t,bitmask:std::uint32_t): void  
+set_bits(bitmask:std::uint32_t): void  
+clear_bits(bitmask:std::uint32_t): void
```

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class CModeRegister {
private:
    const CRegister m_register { 0x48000000 };
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        return (mode & GPIO_MODE) << (pin * 2);
    }
    inline std::uint32_t calculate_bitmask (std::uint32_t pin) {
        return MODER_MASK << (pin * 2);
    }
public:
    inline void set_mode (std::uint32_t pin, GPIO_Modes mode) {
        m_register.set(calculate_value(pin, mode), calculate_bitmask(pin));
    }
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        return MODER_MASK << (pin * 2);  
    }
```

```
public:
```

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    }
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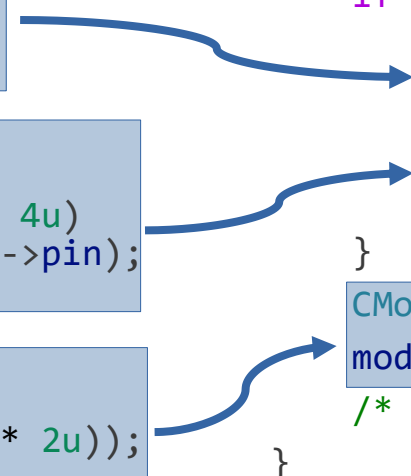
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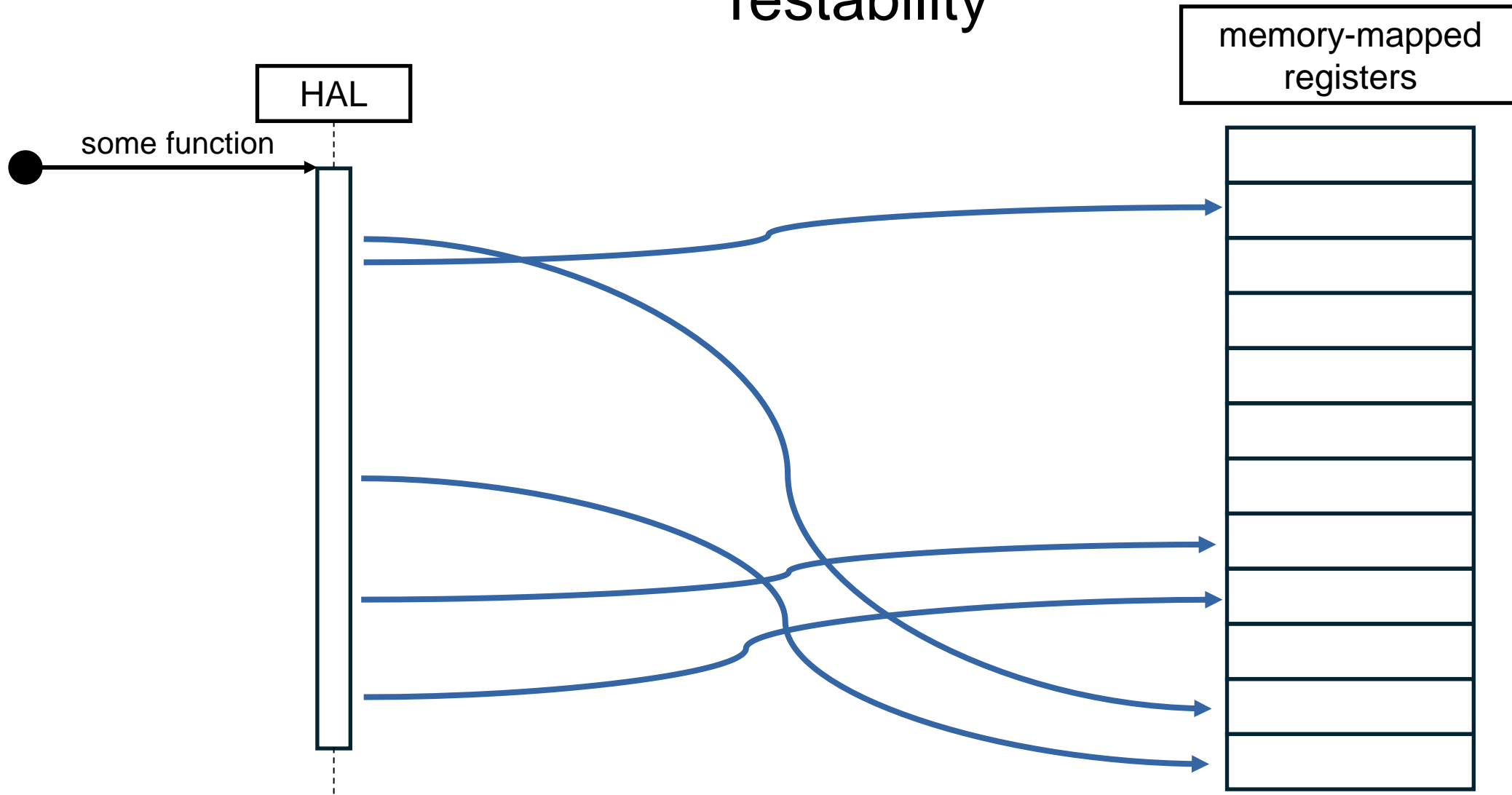
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    /* ... */  
    if (conf->mode == GPIO_MODE_OUTPUT) {  
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        temp &= ~(OSPEEDR_MASK << (conf->pin * 2u));  
        temp |= (conf->speed << (conf->pin * 2u));  
        OSPEEDR = temp;  
  
        temp = OTYPER;  
        temp &= ~(OTYPER_MASK << conf->pin);  
        temp |= (((conf->type & GPIO_OUTPUT_TYPE) >> 4u)  
                << conf->pin);  
        OTYPER = temp;  
    }  
    temp = MODER;  
    temp &= ~(MODER_MASK << (conf->pin * 2u));  
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    MODER = temp;  
    /* ... */  
}
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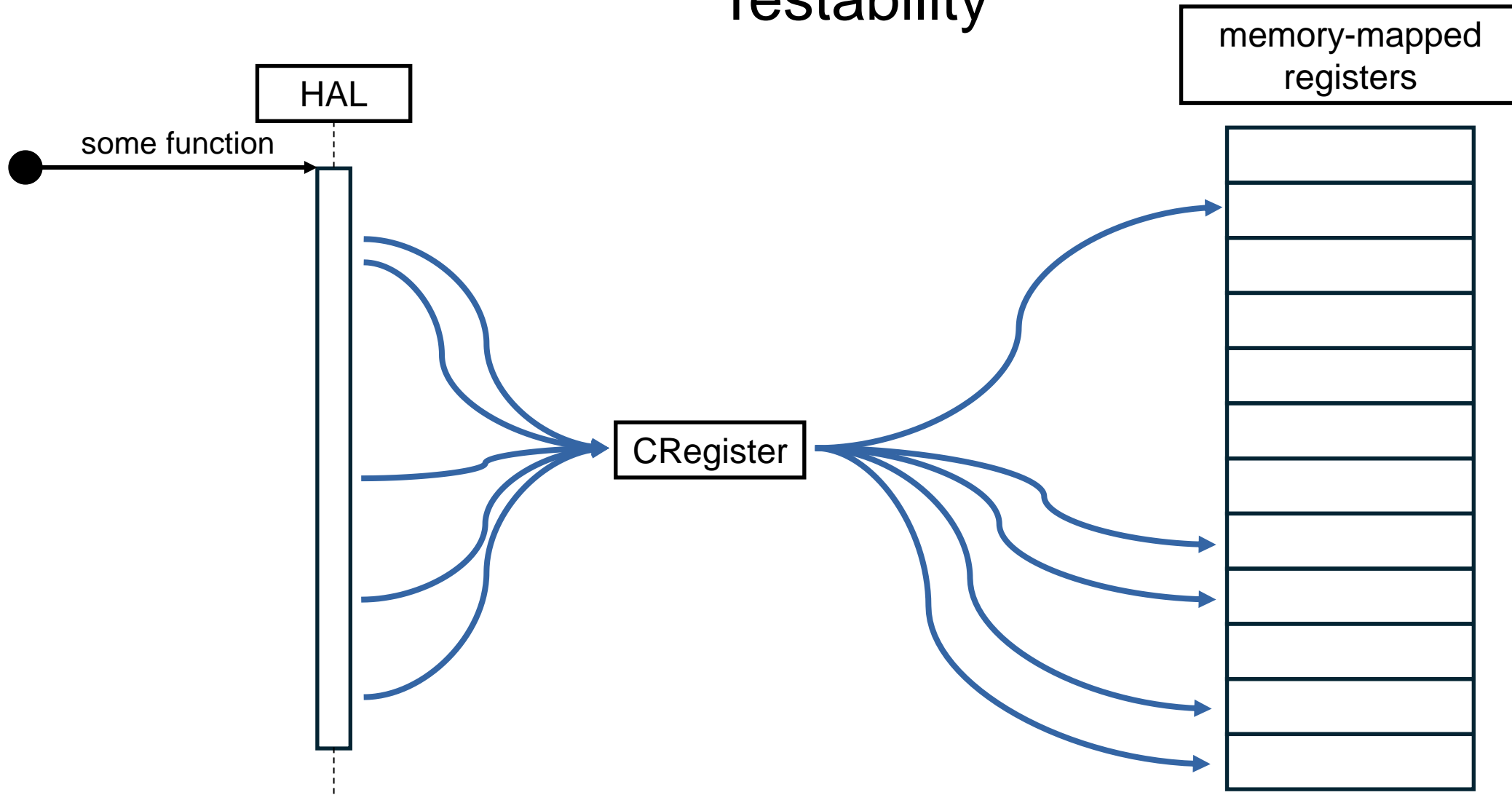
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    /* ... */  
    if (conf->mode == GPIO_MODE_OUTPUT) {  
        COutputSpeedRegister ospeedr {};  
        ospeedr.set_speed(conf->pin, conf->speed);  
        COutputTypeRegister otyper {};  
        otyper.set_type(conf->pin, conf->type);  
    }  
    CModeRegister moder {};  
    moder.set_mode(conf->pin, conf->mode);  
    /* ... */  
}
```



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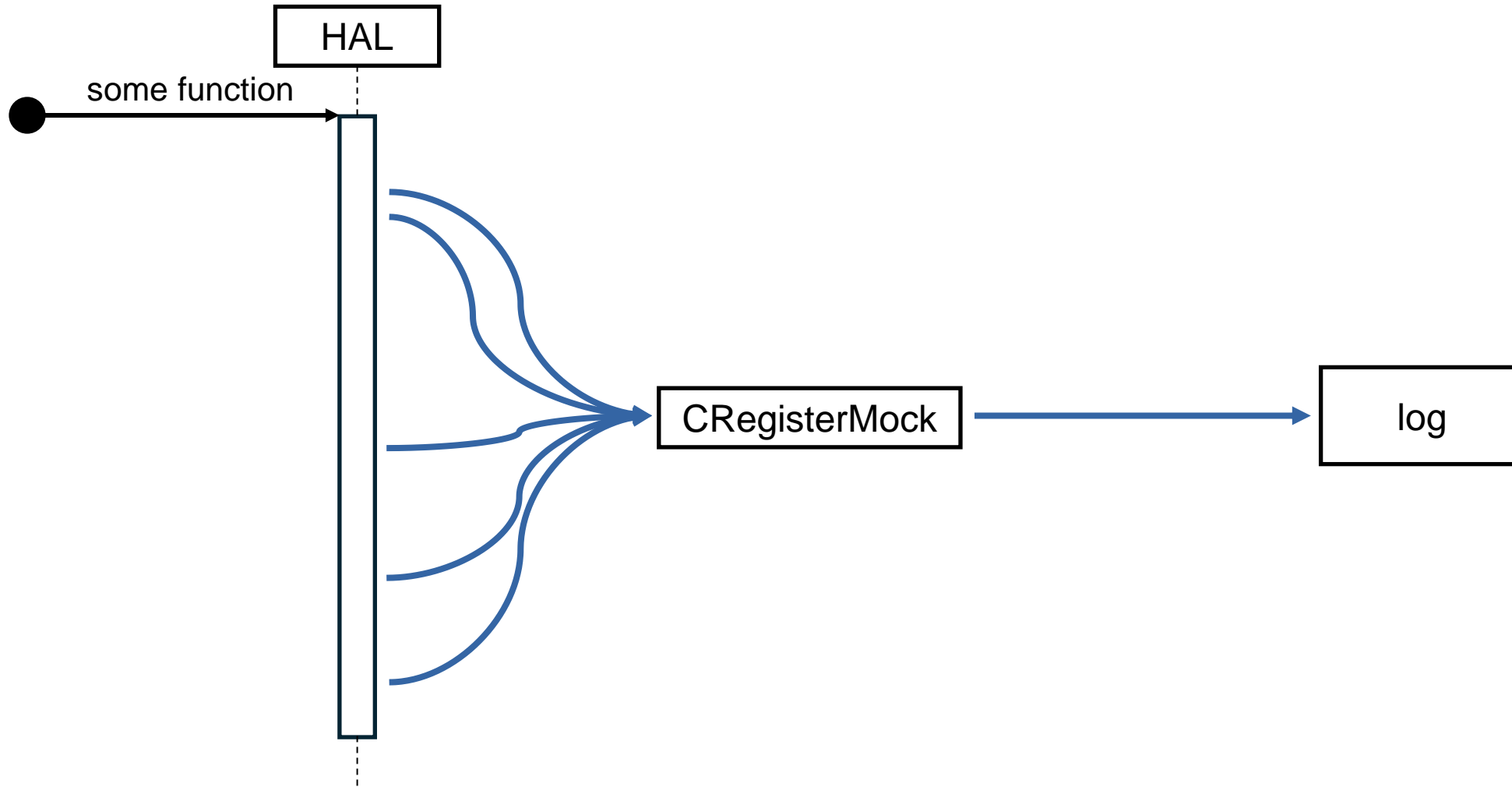


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# Encapsulation

(basic)



Compiles to the same binary.

# Encapsulation

(static)

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    if (!IS_GPIO_PIN(conf->pin)) { return; }  
    if (!IS_GPIO_MODE(conf->mode)) { return; }  
  
    /* configure the GPIO based on the settings */  
    if (conf->mode == GPIO_MODE_OUTPUT) {  
        COutputSpeedRegister::set_speed(conf->pin, conf->speed);  
        COutputTypeRegister::set_type(conf->pin, conf->type);  
    }  
    CModeRegister::set_mode(conf->pin, conf->mode);  
    /* ... */  
}
```

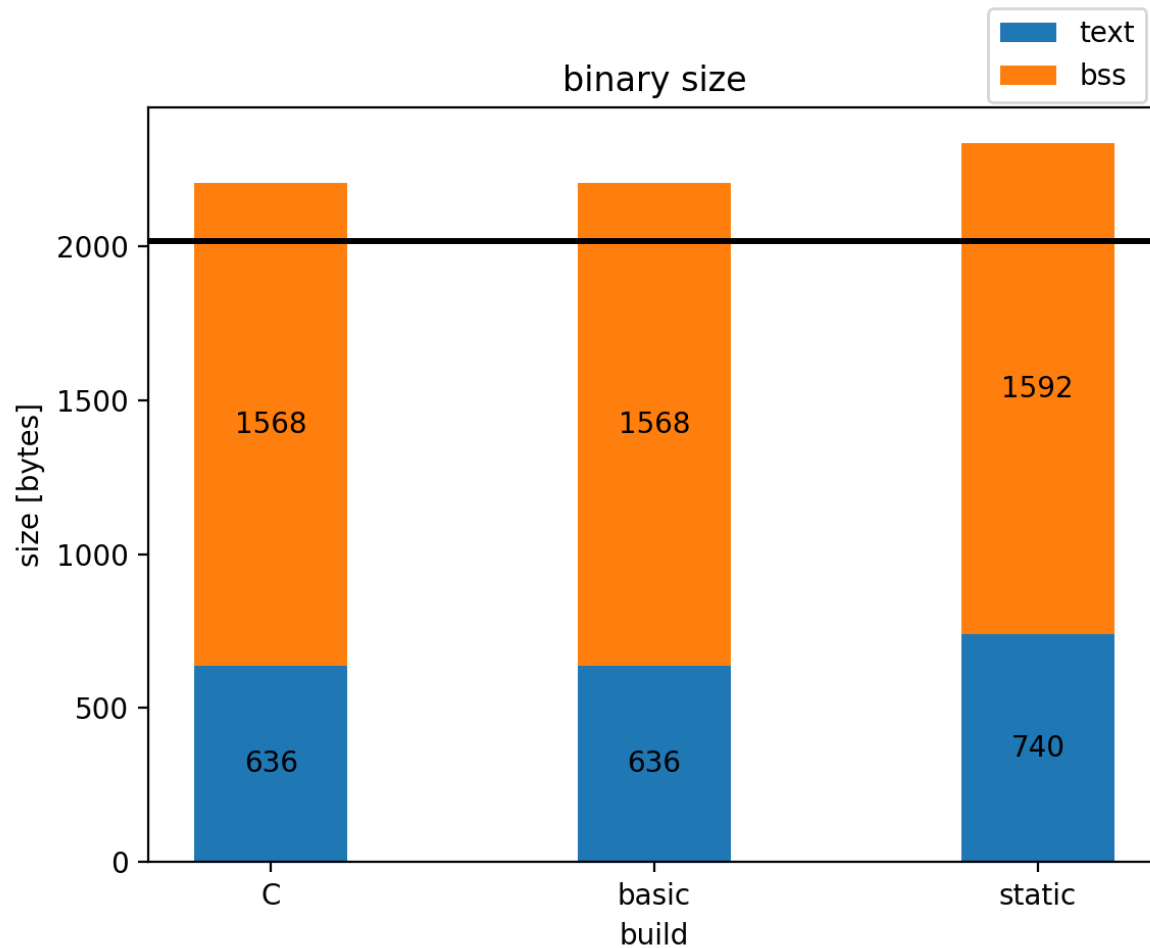

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```
class CModeRegister {
private:
    static inline const CRegister m_register { 0x48000000 };
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        return (mode & GPIO_MODE) << (pin * 2);
    }
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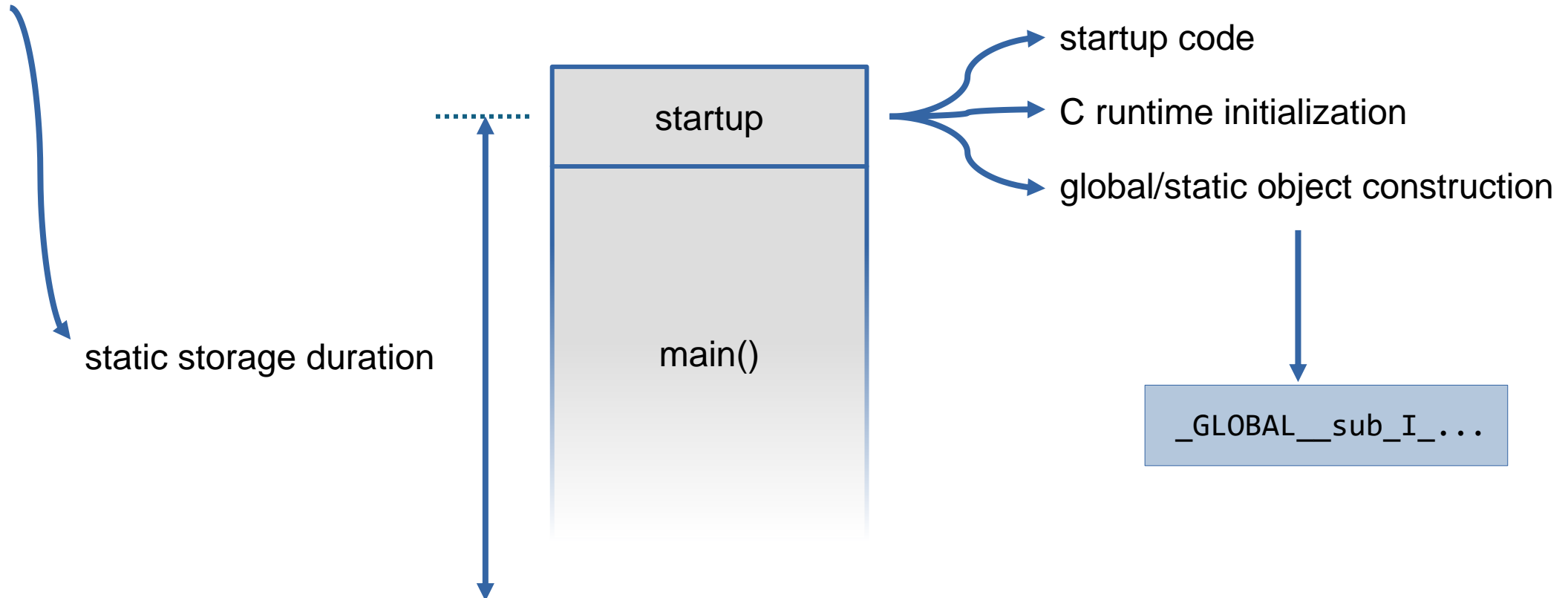


Binary size increase... why?

# Encapsulation

(static)

```
static inline const CRegister m_register { 0x48000000 };
```



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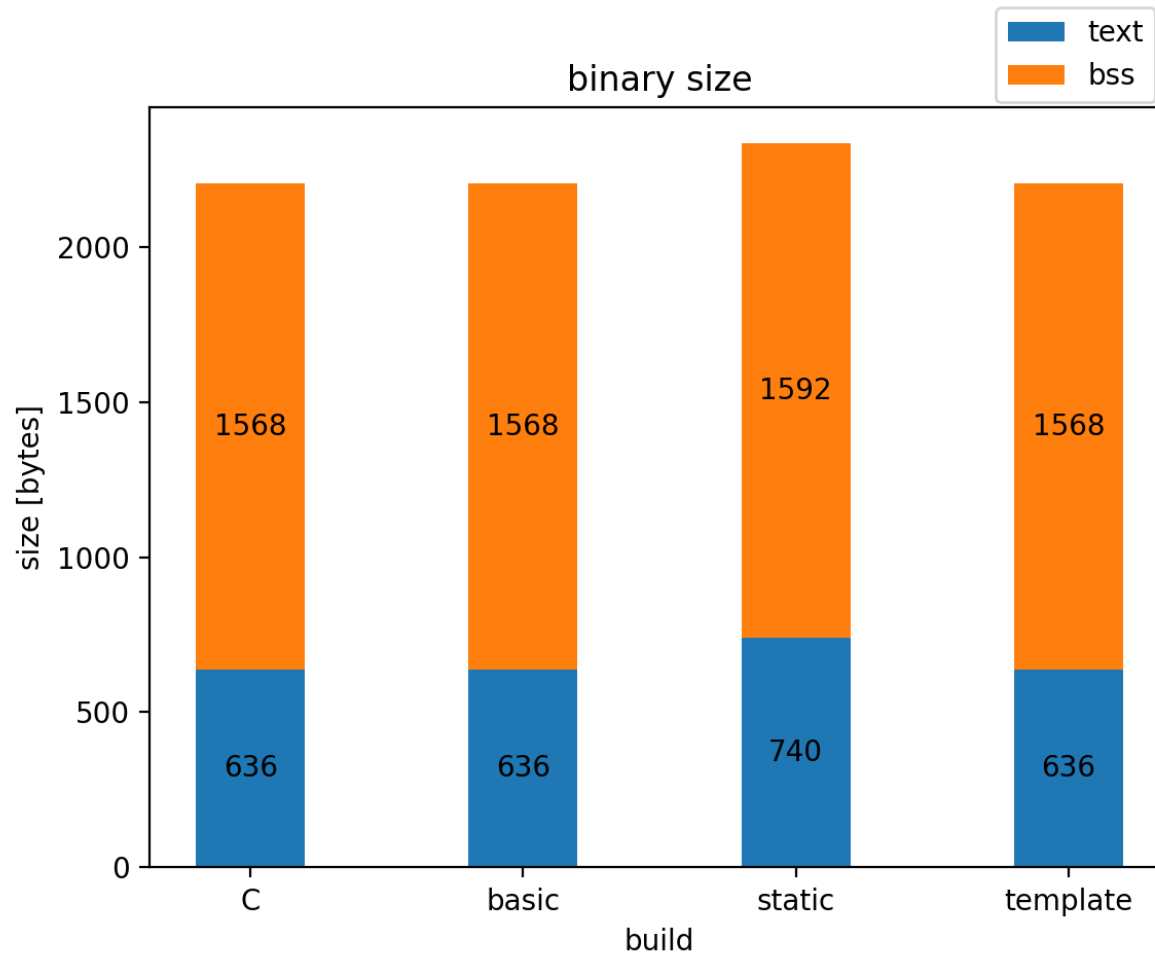
(static & template)

```
template <std::uint32_t address>
class CRegister {
public:
    void set (std::uint32_t val) const {
        *(reinterpret_cast<volatile std::uint32_t *>(address)) = val;
    }
    /* ... */
};
```



# Encapsulation

(static & template)



Binary size is back to the original.

**Why?**

- Each CRegister instance is fully defined at compile time.
- No global state that needs to be explicitly initialized before main.
- Compiler can better optimize the code at compile time.

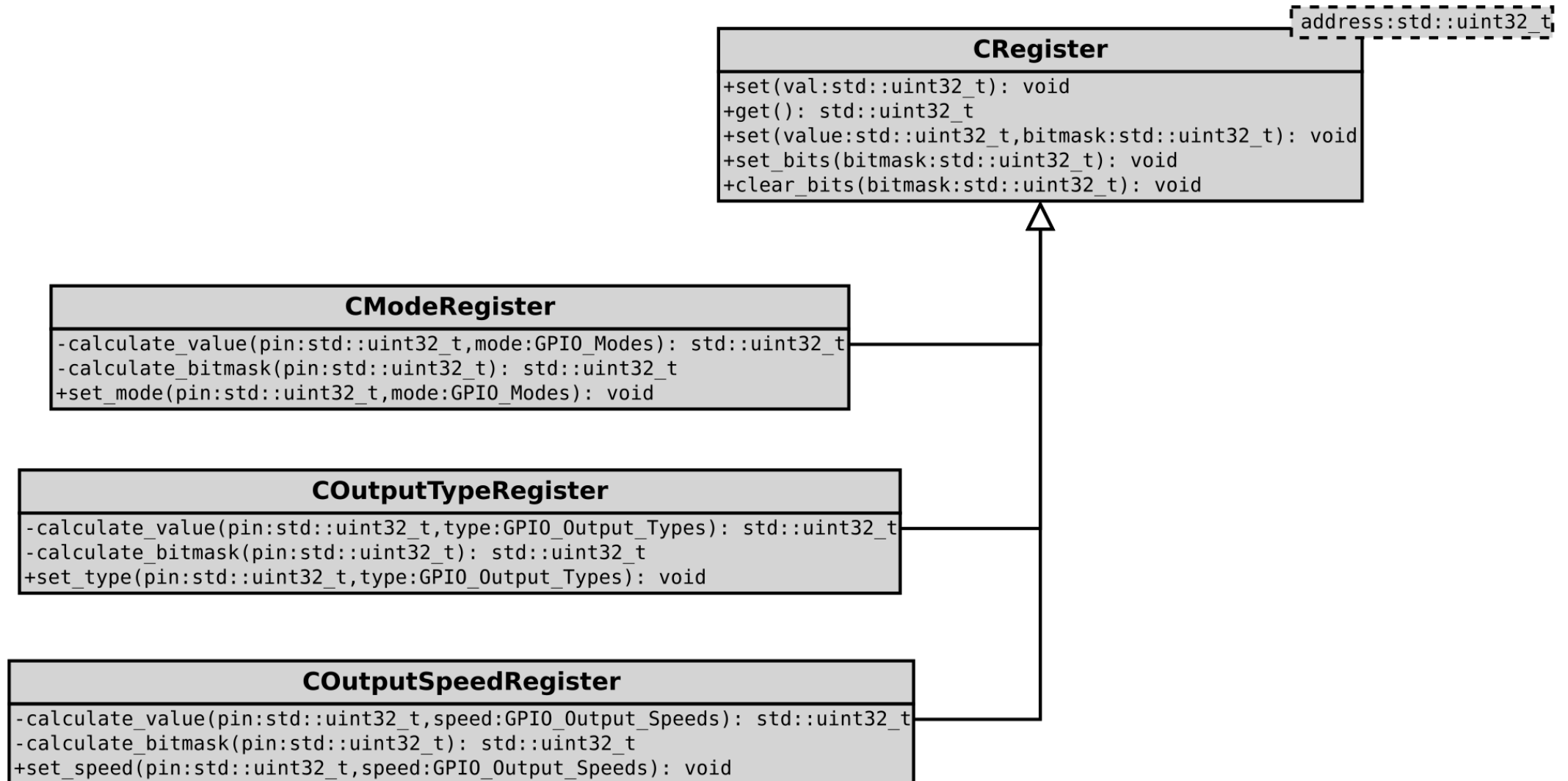
```
const std::uint32_t m_address;
```

**vs**

```
template <std::uint32_t address>
```

# Inheritance

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```
class COutputSpeedRegister : public CRegister<0x48000008> {
private:
    static inline std::uint32_t calculate_value (std::uint32_t pin, GPIO_Output_Speeds speed) {
        return speed << (pin * 2);
    }
    static inline std::uint32_t calculate_bitmask (std::uint32_t pin) {
        return OSPEEDR_MASK << (pin * 2);
    }
public:
    static inline void set_speed (std::uint32_t pin, GPIO_Output_Speeds speed) {
        set(calculate_value(pin, speed), calculate_bitmask(pin));
    }
};
```

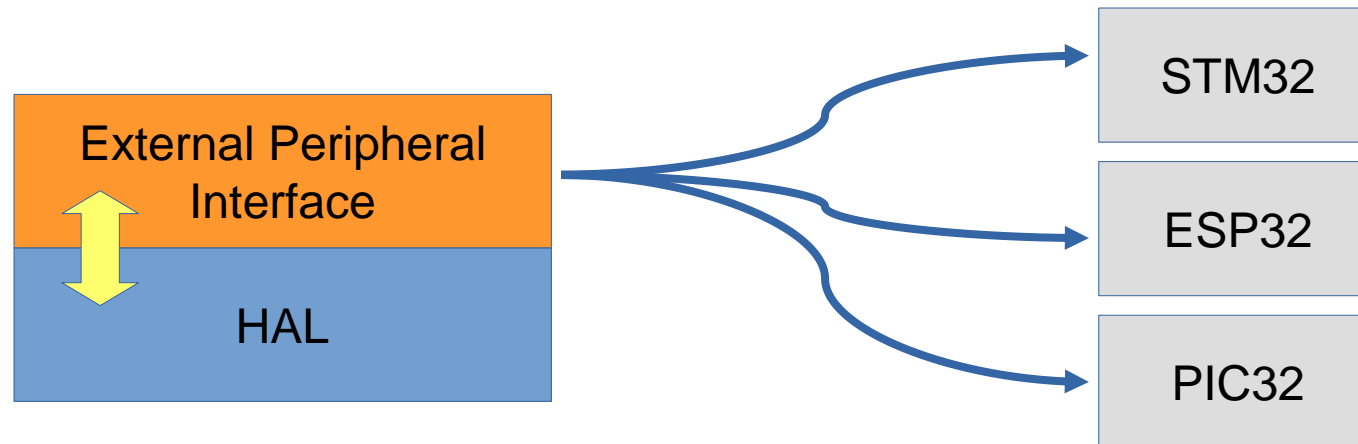
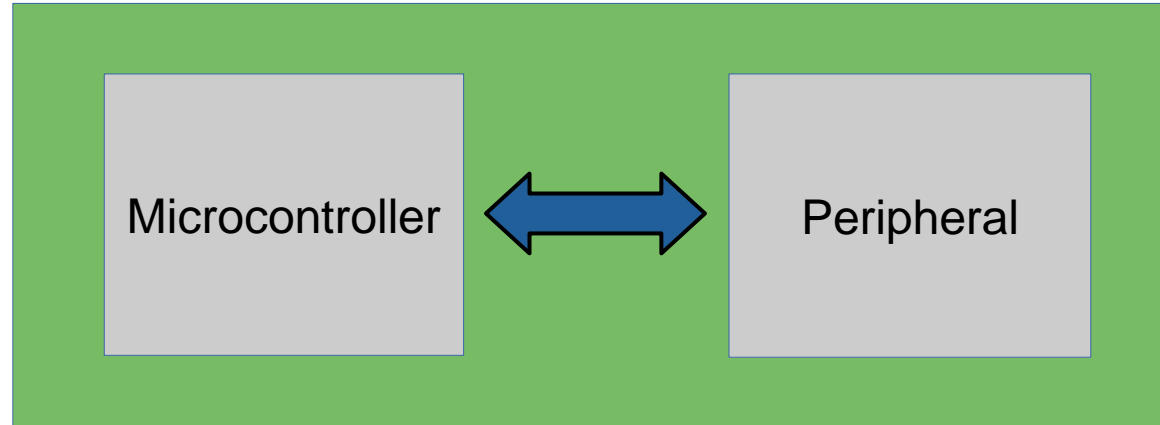
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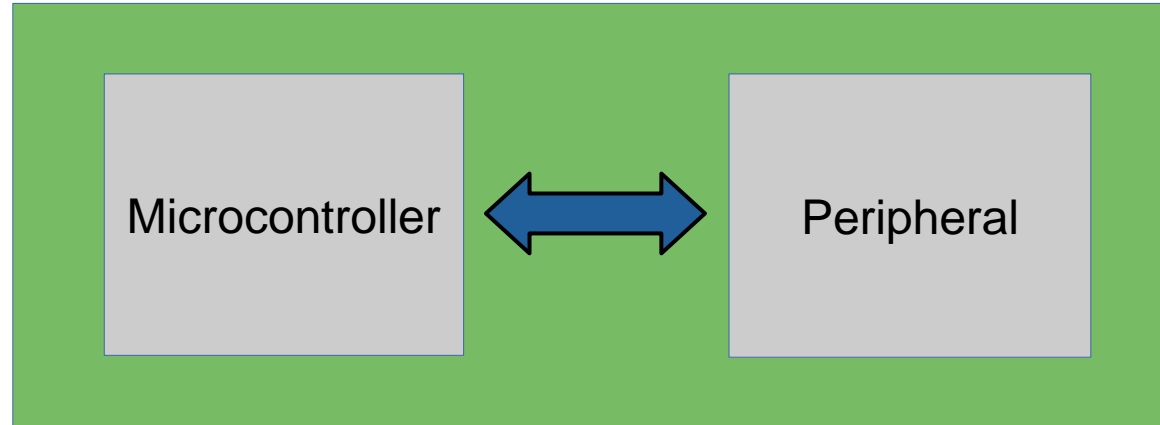
# Polymorphism

# Moving Higher

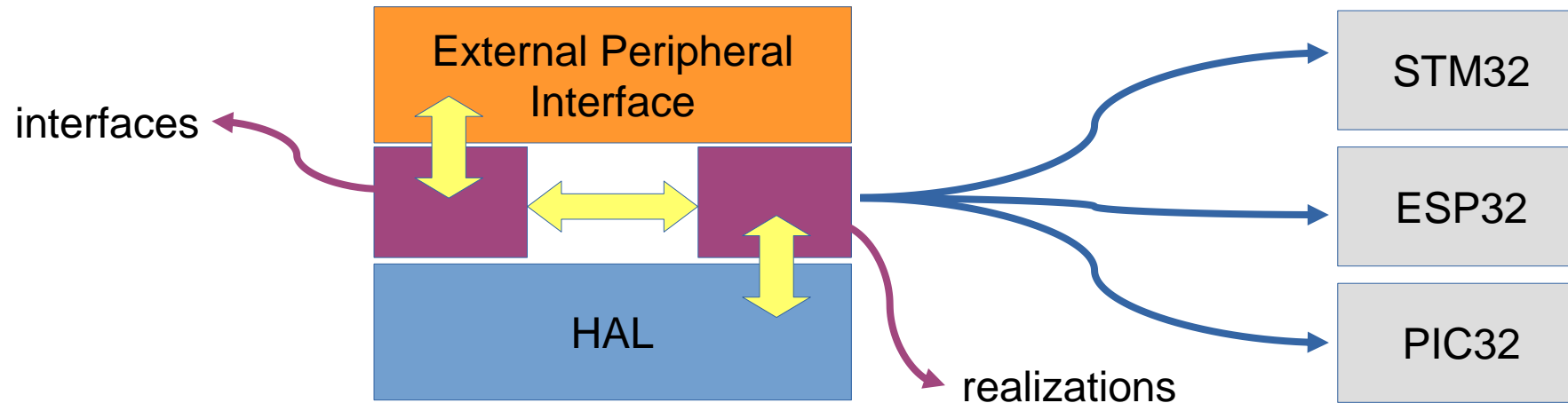




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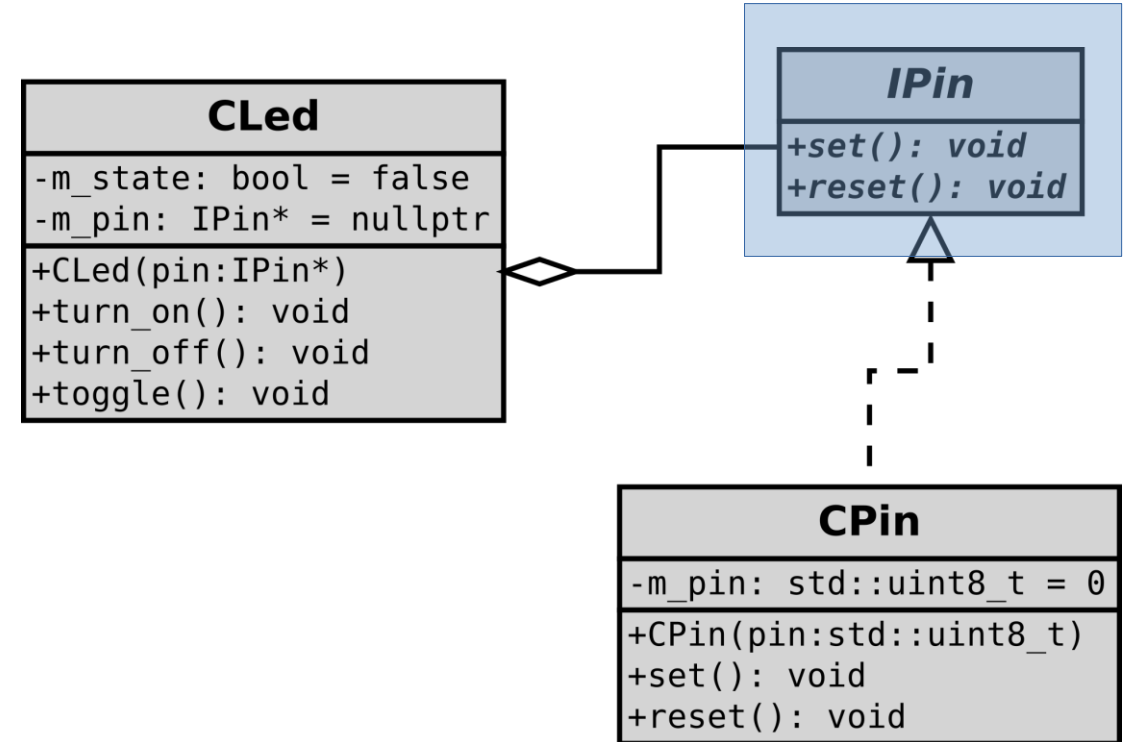


## Dynamic Polymorphism



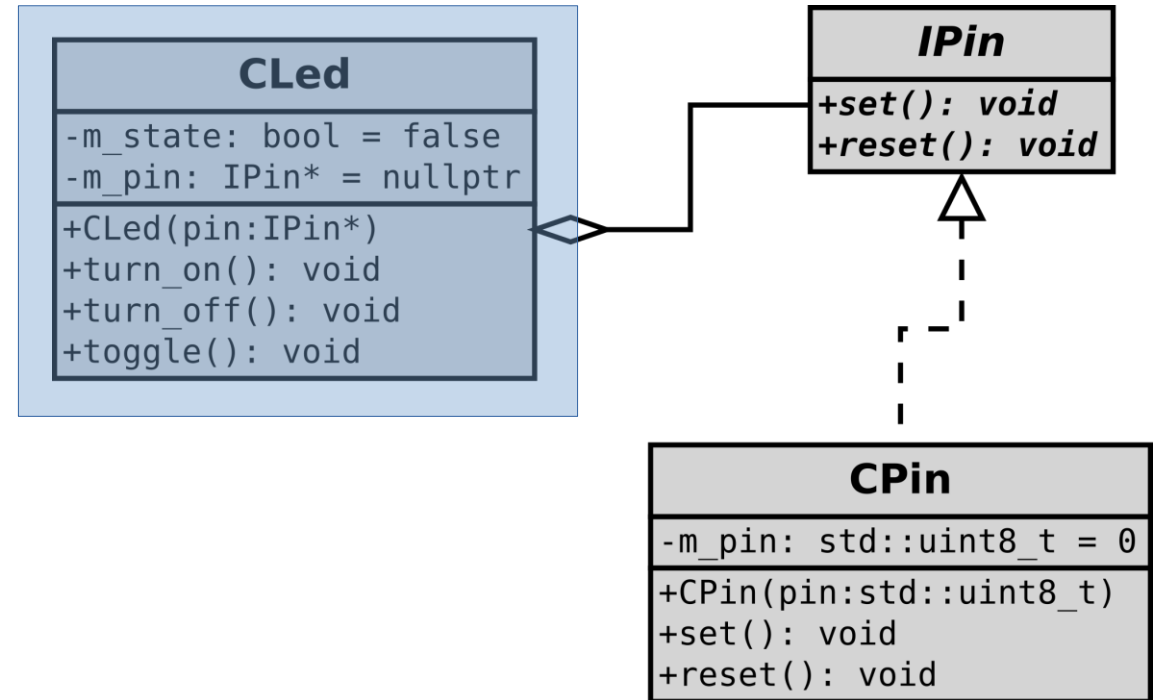
# Dynamic Polymorphism

```
class IPin {  
public:  
    virtual void set () = 0;  
    virtual void reset () = 0;  
};
```



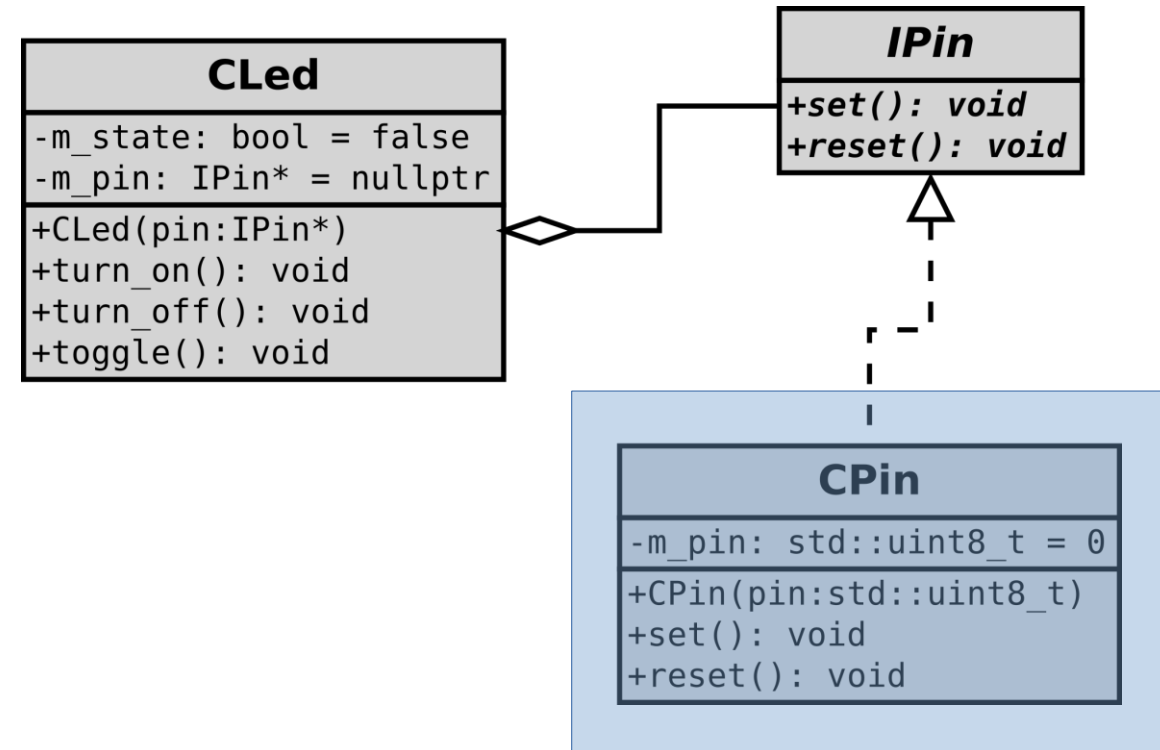
# Dynamic Polymorphism

```
class CLed {  
private:  
    bool m_state { false };  
    IPin* m_pin { nullptr };  
public:  
    CLed () = delete;  
    CLed (IPin* pin) : m_pin(pin) {  
        m_pin->reset();  
    }  
    /* ... */  
};
```

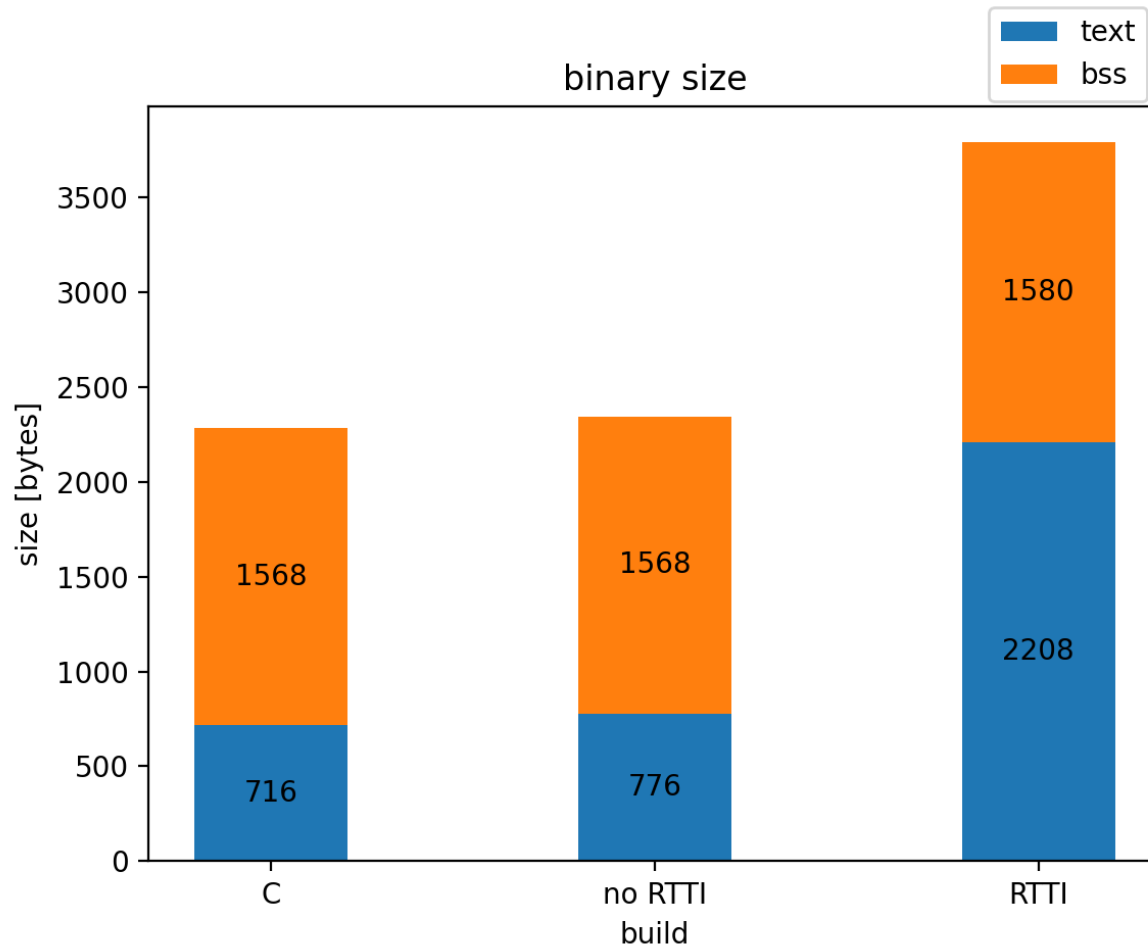


# Dynamic Polymorphism

```
class CPin : public IPin {  
private:  
    std::uint8_t m_pin { 0 };  
public:  
    CPin () = delete;  
    CPin (std::uint8_t pin) : m_pin(pin) {}  
    void set () override {  
        CBitSetResetRegister::set_pin(m_pin);  
    }  
    void reset () override {  
        CBitSetResetRegister::reset_pin(m_pin);  
    }  
};
```



# Dynamic Polymorphism

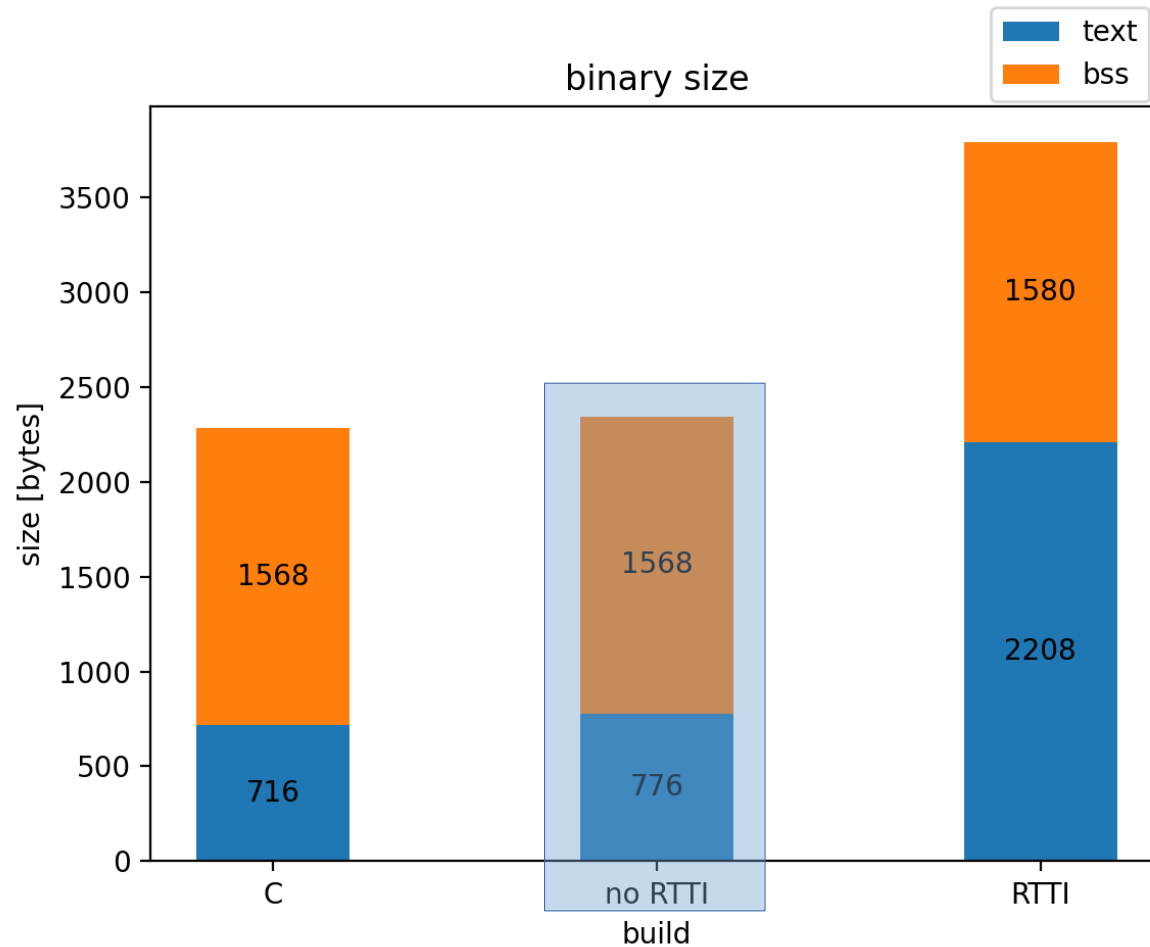


## Run-Time Type Information

- `_type_info` sections in the binary
- Necessary for:
  - `typeid`
  - `dynamic_cast`

`-fno-rtti`

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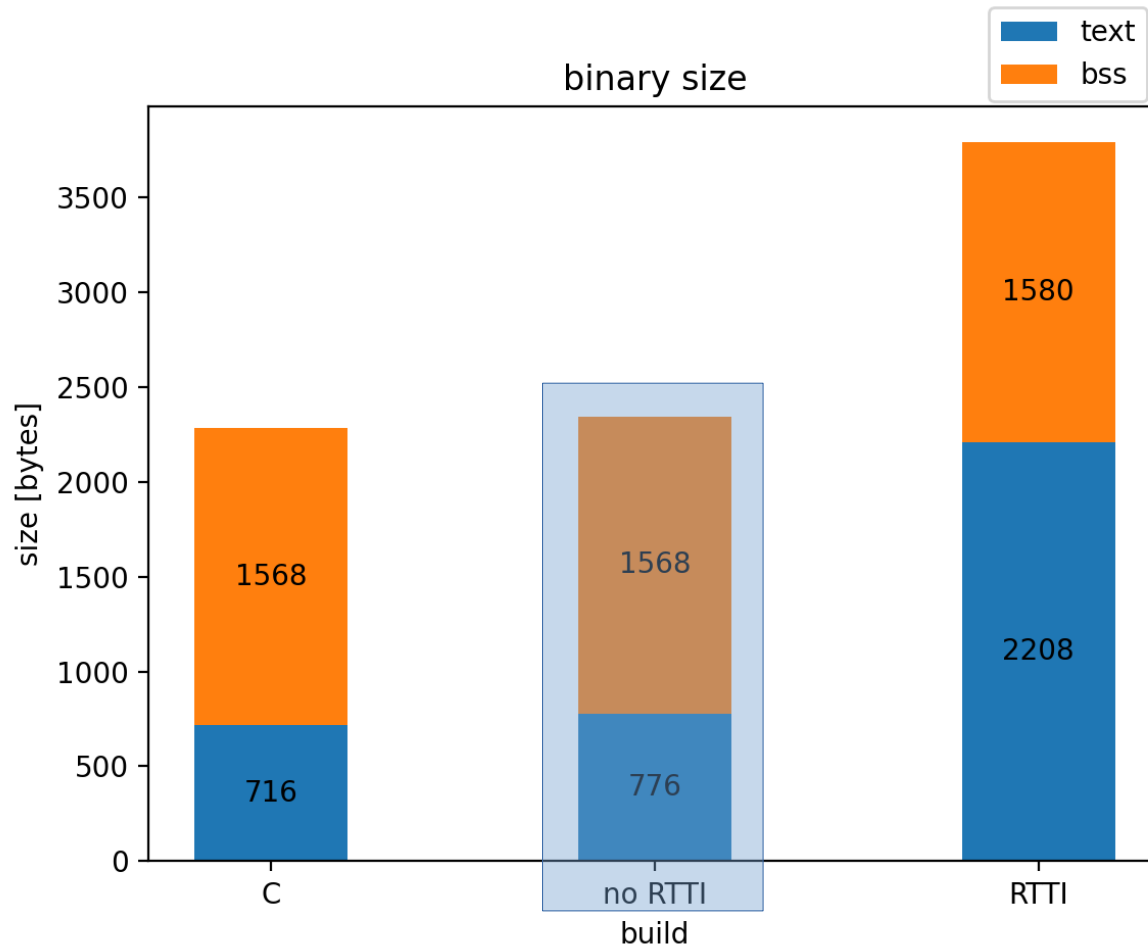


`set` and `reset` not inlined

vtable?

virtual function call?

# Dynamic Polymorphism



```
CPin pin { GPIO_PIN_6 };  
CLed led { &pin };
```

```
while (true) {  
    led.toggle();  
    delay(1000);  
}
```

For statically allocated objects, the compiler can often determine the type at compile-time.  
-> no virtual function calls (de-virtualization)

# Dynamic Polymorphism

without de-virtualization



08000198 <\_ZN4CPin5resetEv>: ...

080001b0 <\_ZN4CPin3setEv>: ...

CPin vtable

0x08000258 : 0x080001b1

0x0800025c : 0x08000199

<main>:

```
push    {r0, r1, r2, lr}
ldr     r3, [pc, #28]    ; (80001e4 <main+0x20>)
mov     r2, sp
str     r3, [sp, #0]
movs    r3, #6
strb    r3, [r2, #4]
ldr     r3, [sp, #0]
mov     r0, sp
ldr     r3, [r3, #0]
blx     r3
ldr     r3, [sp, #0]
mov     r0, sp
ldr     r3, [r3, #4]
blx     r3
b.n     80001d0 <main+0xc>
Nop     ; (mov r8, r8)
.word   0x08000258
```



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without de-virtualization



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Load the vtable address in r3.

<main>:

push {r0, r1, r2, lr}

ldr r3, [pc, #28] ; (80001e4 <main+0x20>)

mov r2, sp

str r3, [sp, #0]

movs r3, #6

strb r3, [r2, #4]

ldr r3, [sp, #0]

mov r0, sp

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blx r3

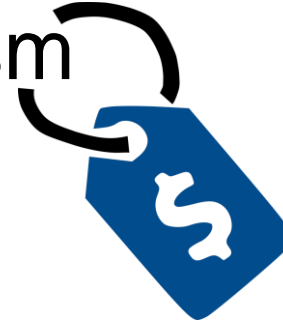
b.n 80001d0 <main+0xc>

Nop ; (mov r8, r8)

.word 0x08000258

# Dynamic Polymorphism

without de-virtualization



08000198 <\_ZN4CPin5resetEv>: ...

080001b0 <\_ZN4CPin3setEv>: ...

CPin vtable

0x08000258 : 0x080001b1

0x0800025c : 0x08000199

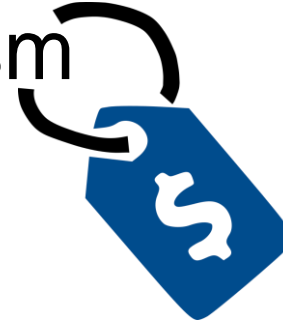
Load the address of the set method  
from the vtable into r3.

<main>:

```
push    {r0, r1, r2, lr}
ldr     r3, [pc, #28]    ; (80001e4 <main+0x20>)
mov     r2, sp
str     r3, [sp, #0]
movs    r3, #6
strb    r3, [r2, #4]
ldr     r3, [sp, #0]
mov     r0, sp
ldr     r3, [r3, #0]
blx     r3
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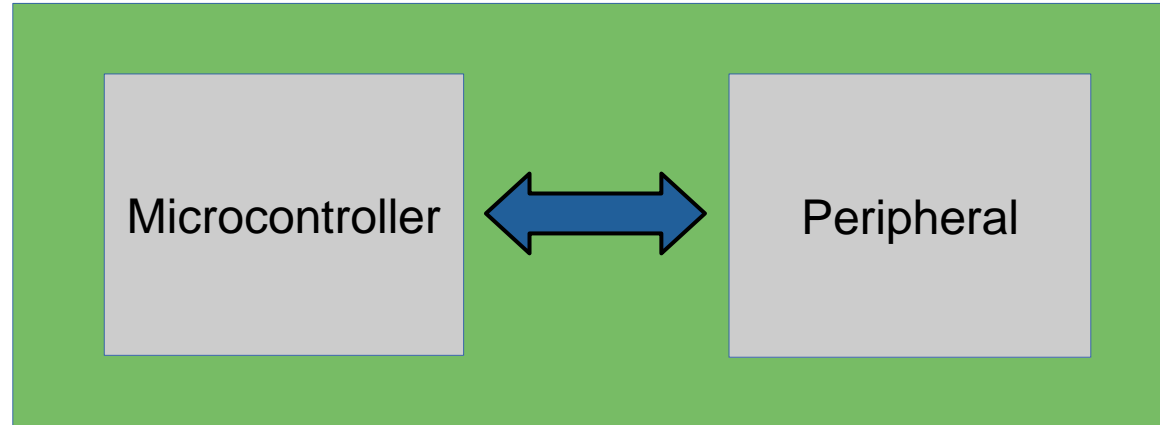
0x0800025c : 0x08000199

Call the set method via the address  
in r3.

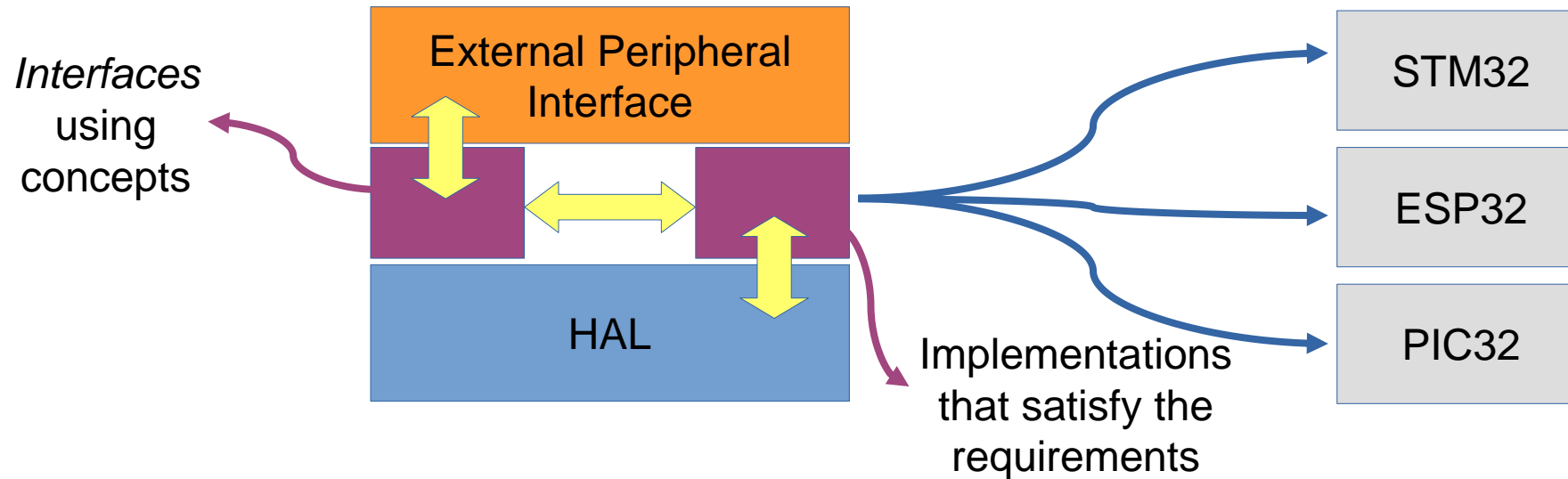
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blx     r3
b.n     80001d0 <main+0xc>
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```

# Moving Higher

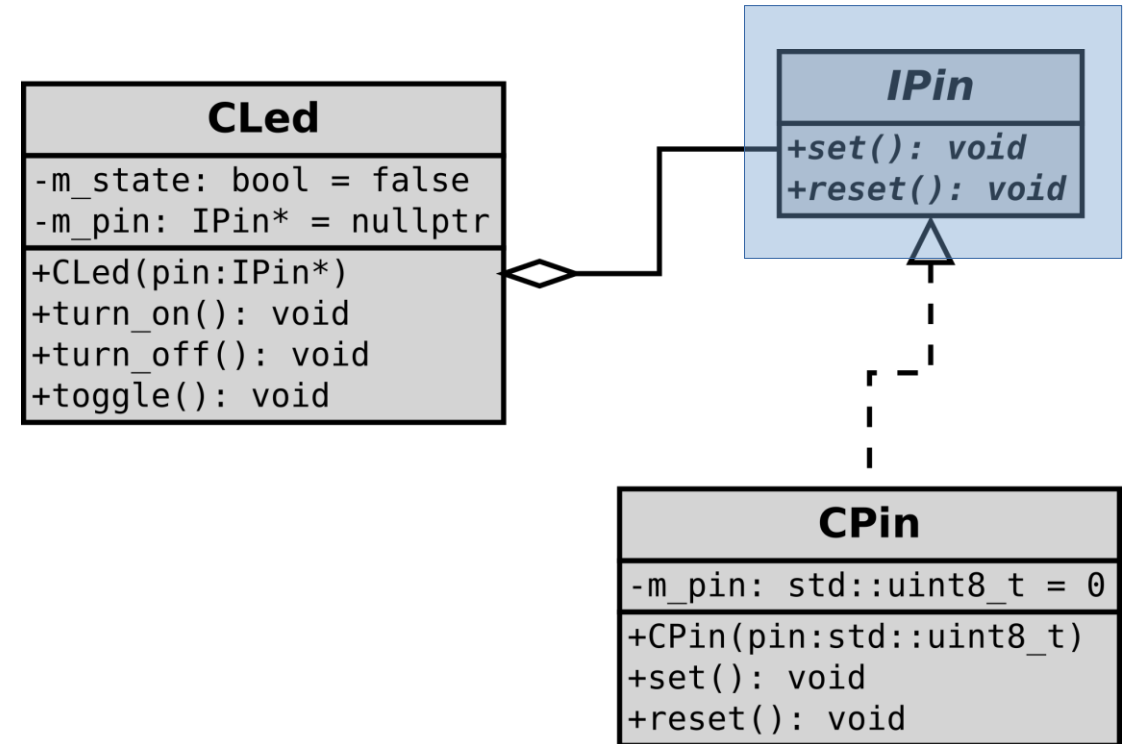


## Static Polymorphism



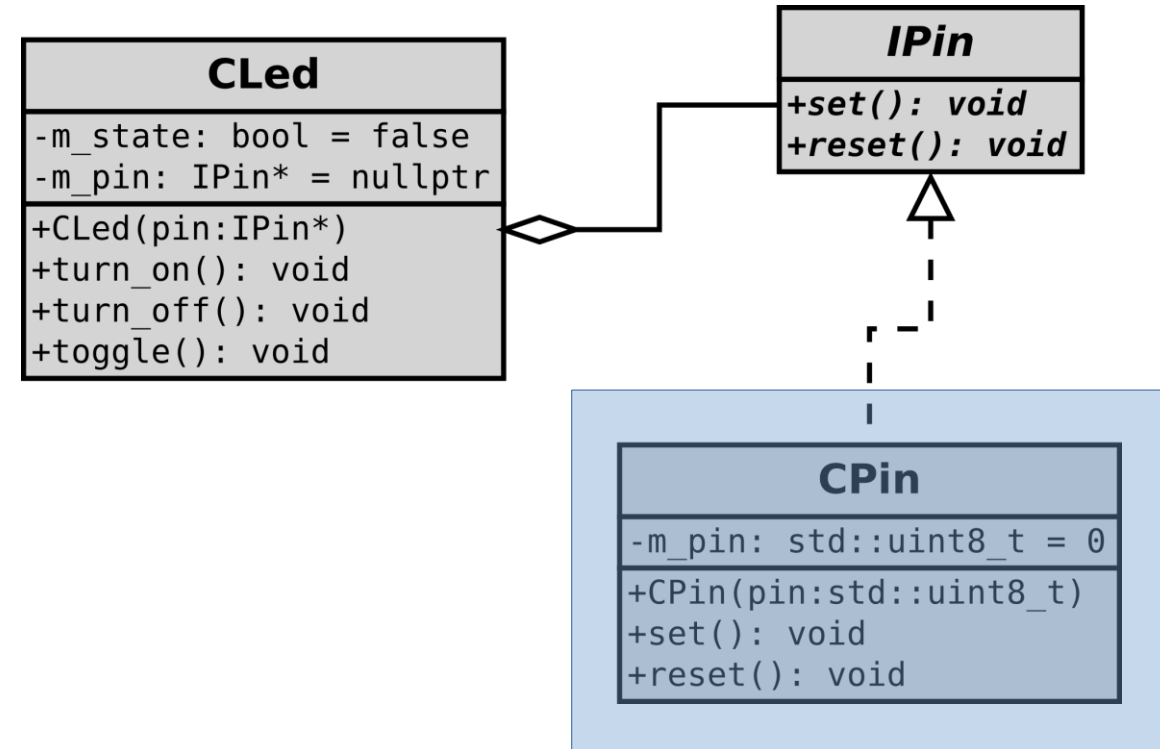
# Static Polymorphism

```
template <typename T>
concept IPin = requires (T pin) {
    { pin.set() } -> std::same_as<void>;
    { pin.reset() } -> std::same_as<void>;
};
```



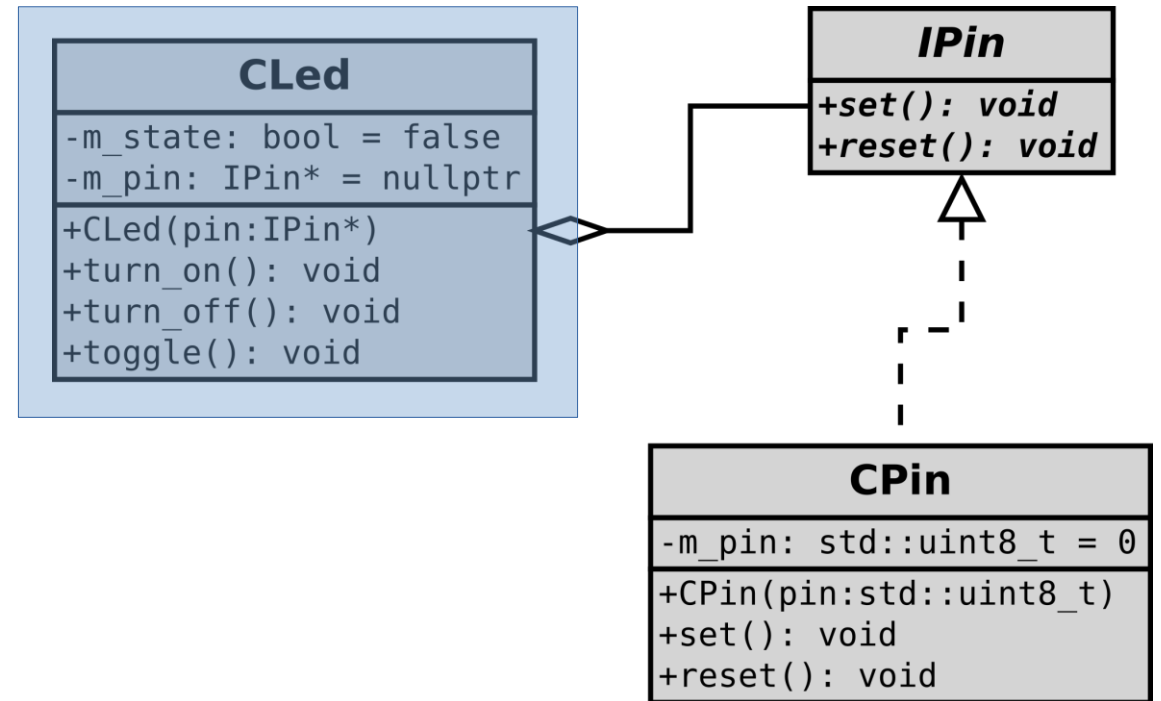
# Static Polymorphism

```
class CPin {  
private:  
    std::uint8_t m_pin { 0 };  
public:  
    CPin () = delete;  
    CPin (std::uint8_t pin) : m_pin(pin) {}  
    void set () const {  
        CBitSetResetRegister::set_pin(m_pin);  
    }  
    void reset () const {  
        CBitSetResetRegister::reset_pin(m_pin);  
    }  
};  
static_assert(IPin<CPin>); // optional
```



# Static Polymorphism

```
template <IPin TPin>
class CLed {
private:
    bool m_state { false };
    TPin* m_pin { nullptr };
public:
    CLed () = delete;
    CLed (TPin* pin) : m_pin(pin) {
        m_pin->reset();
    }
    /* ... */
};
```



# Static Polymorphism



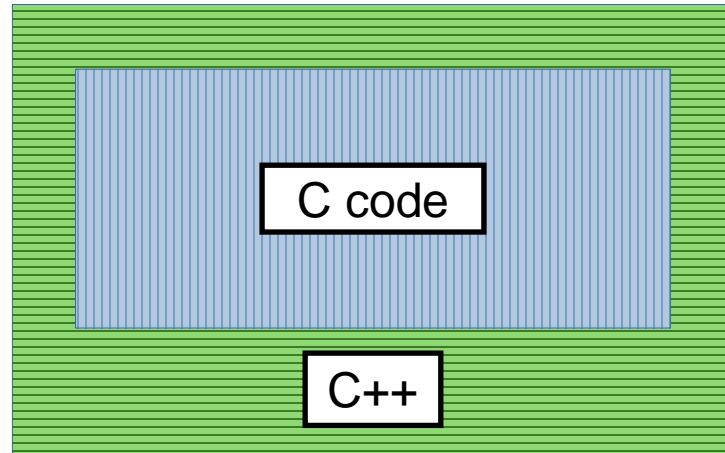
Compiles to the same binary.



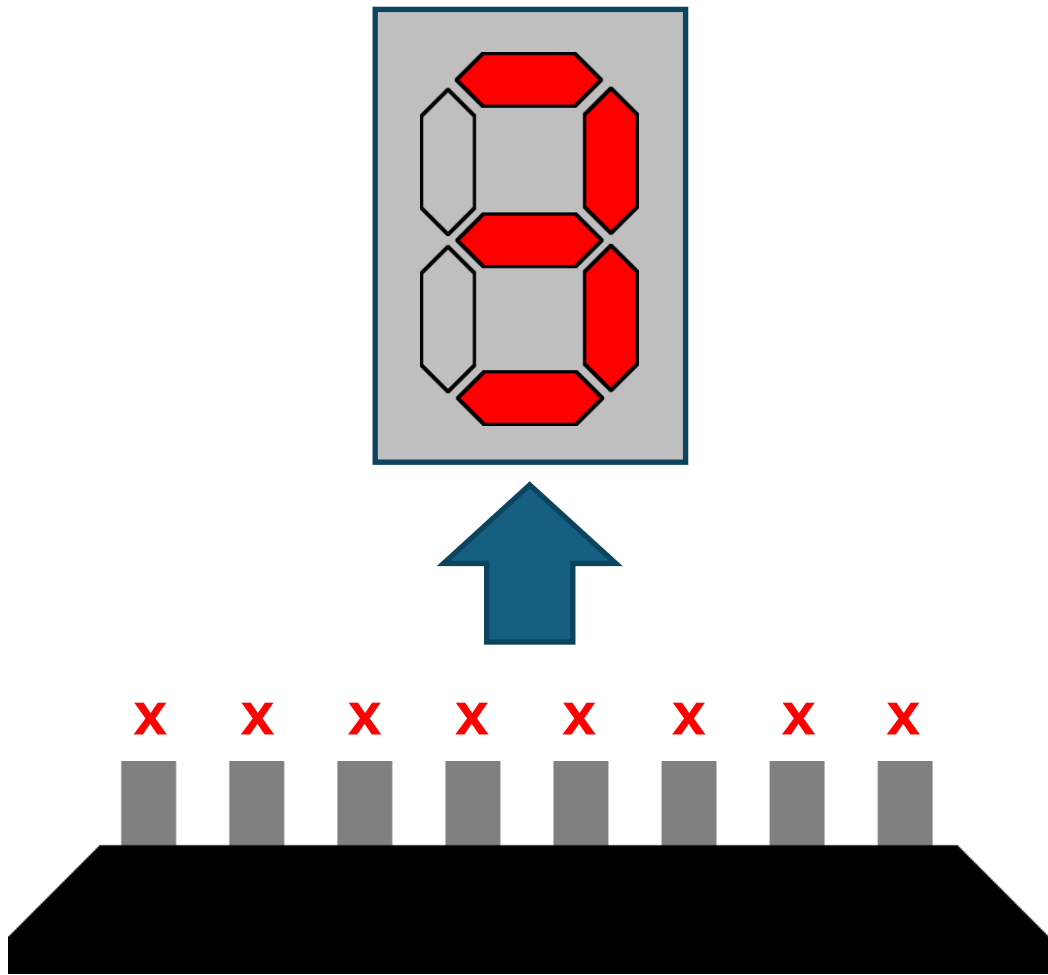
# Architecture Matters

# Building Layers of Abstractions

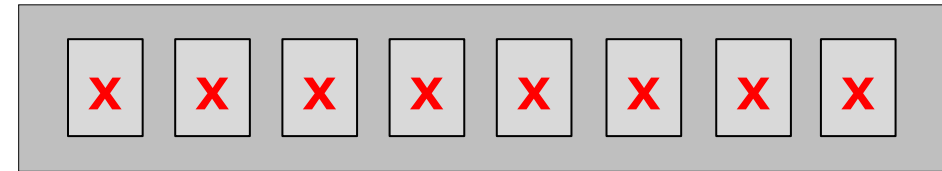
Wrapper



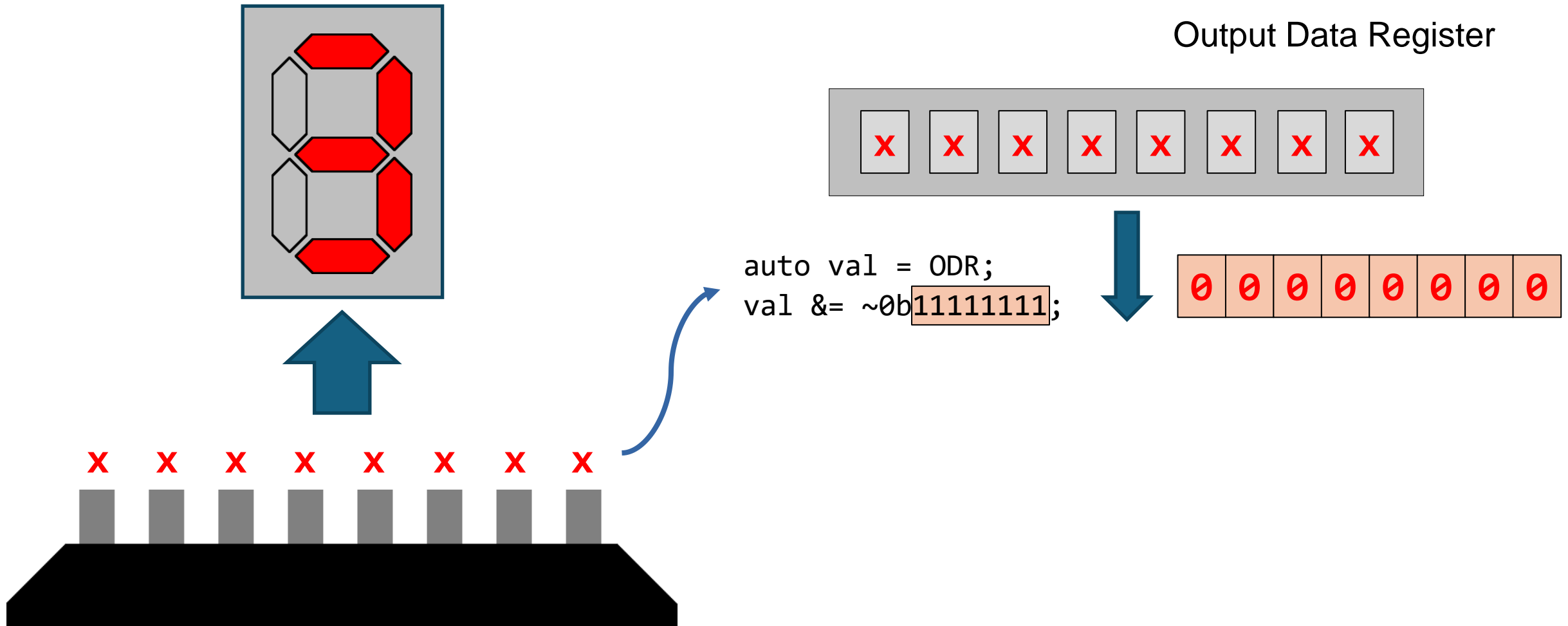
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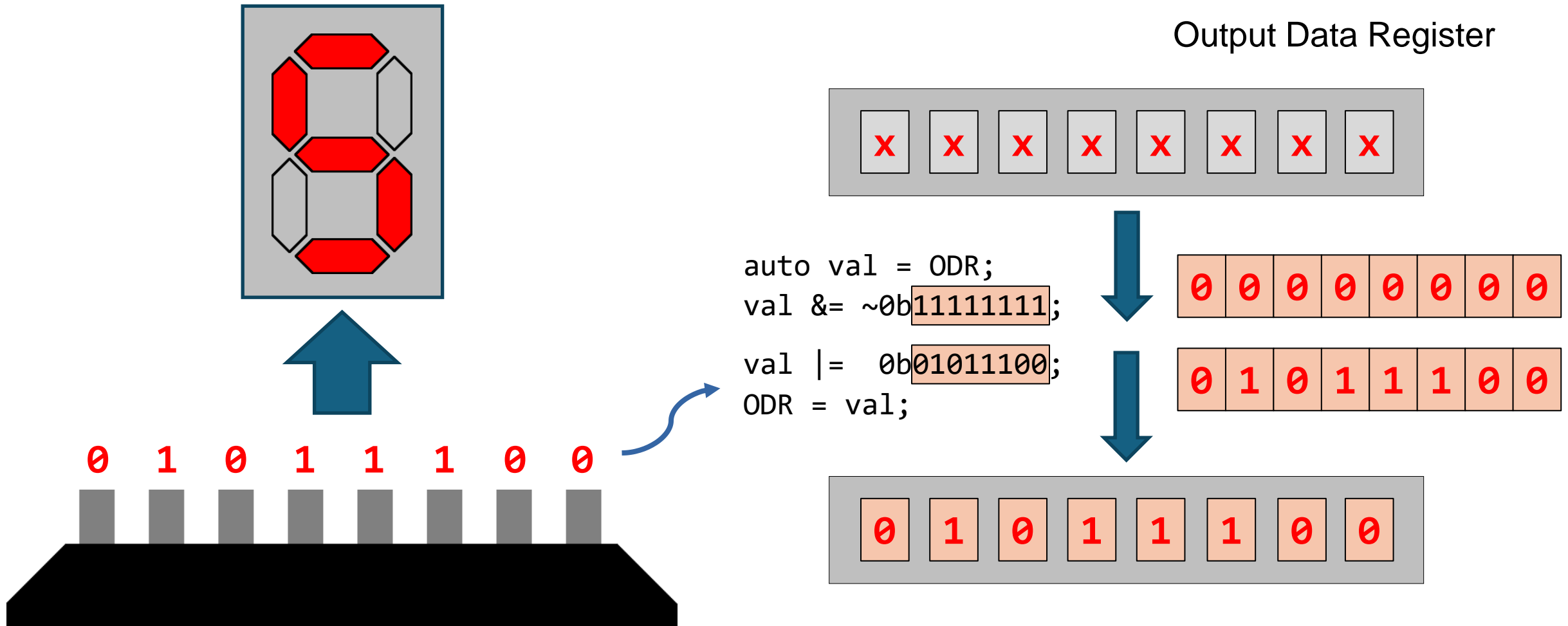
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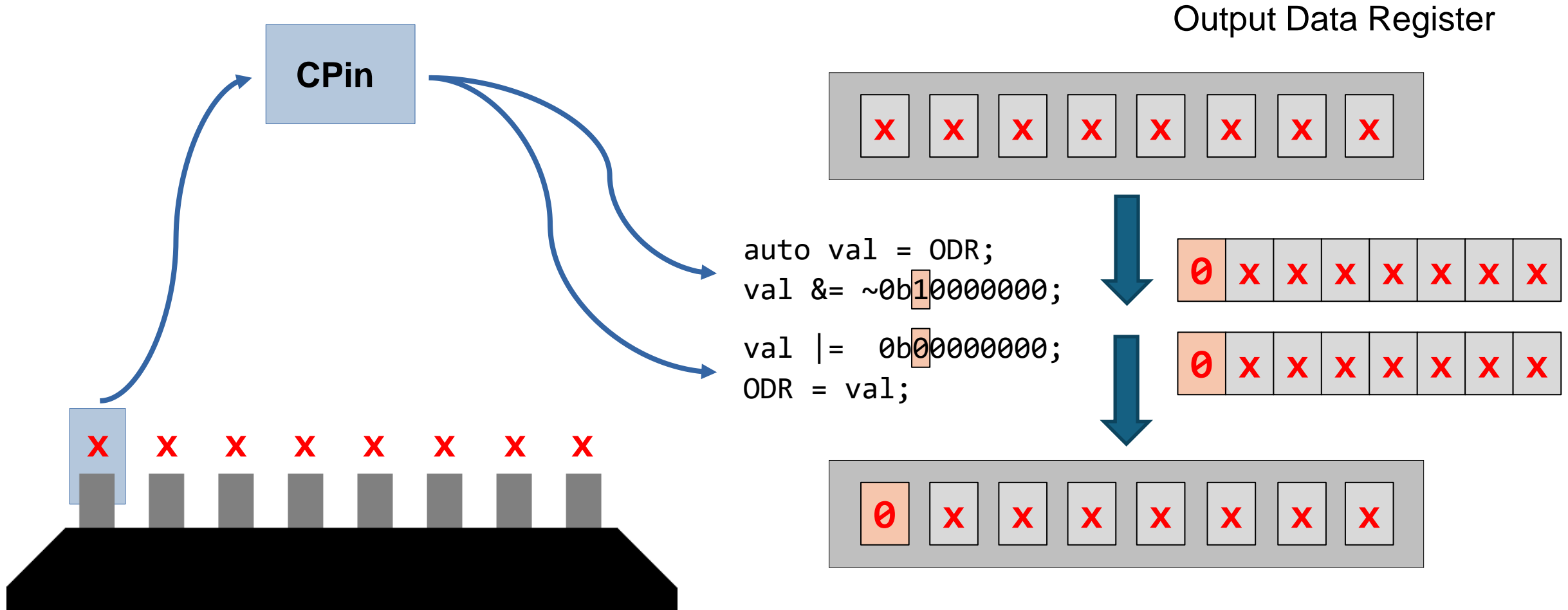
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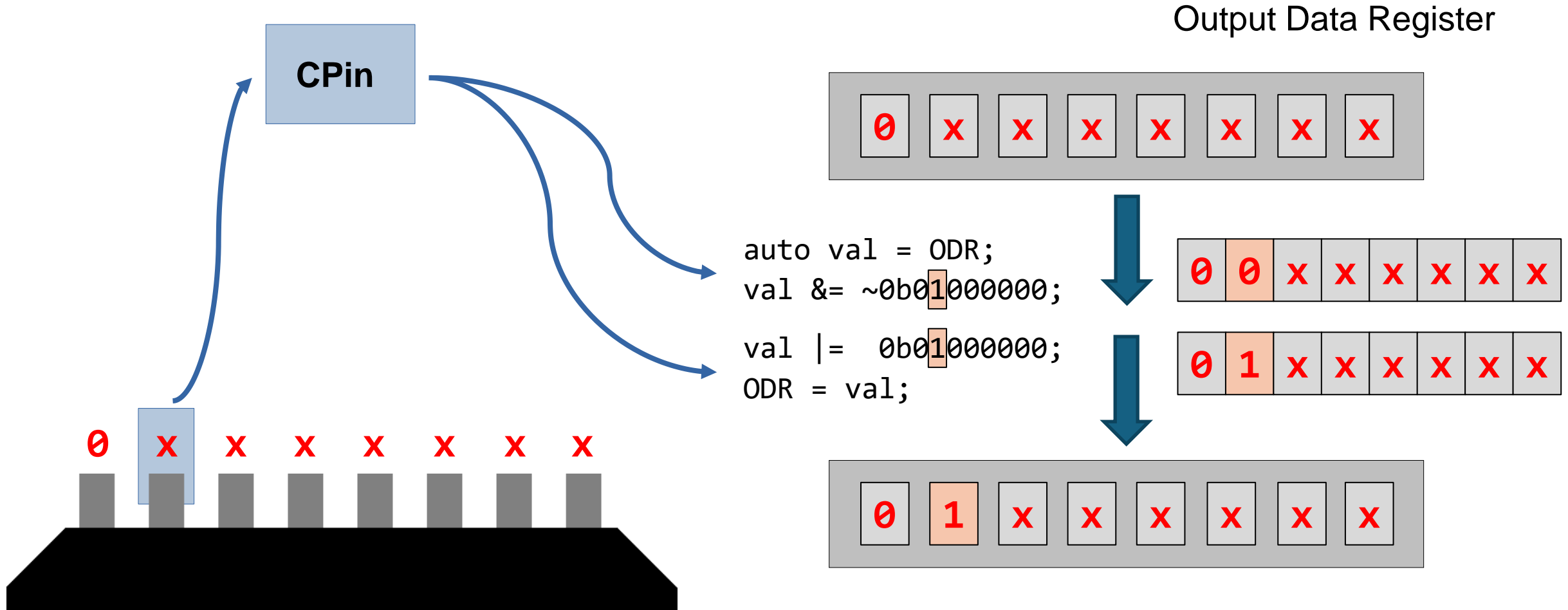
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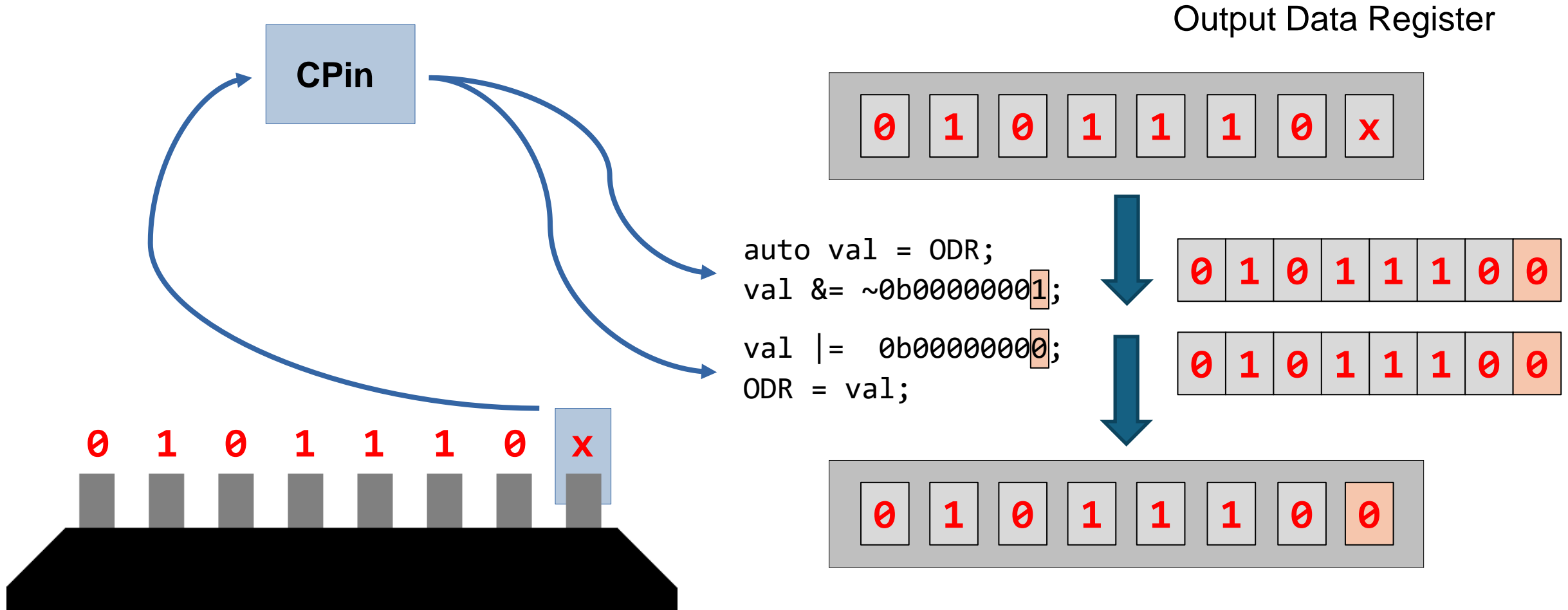
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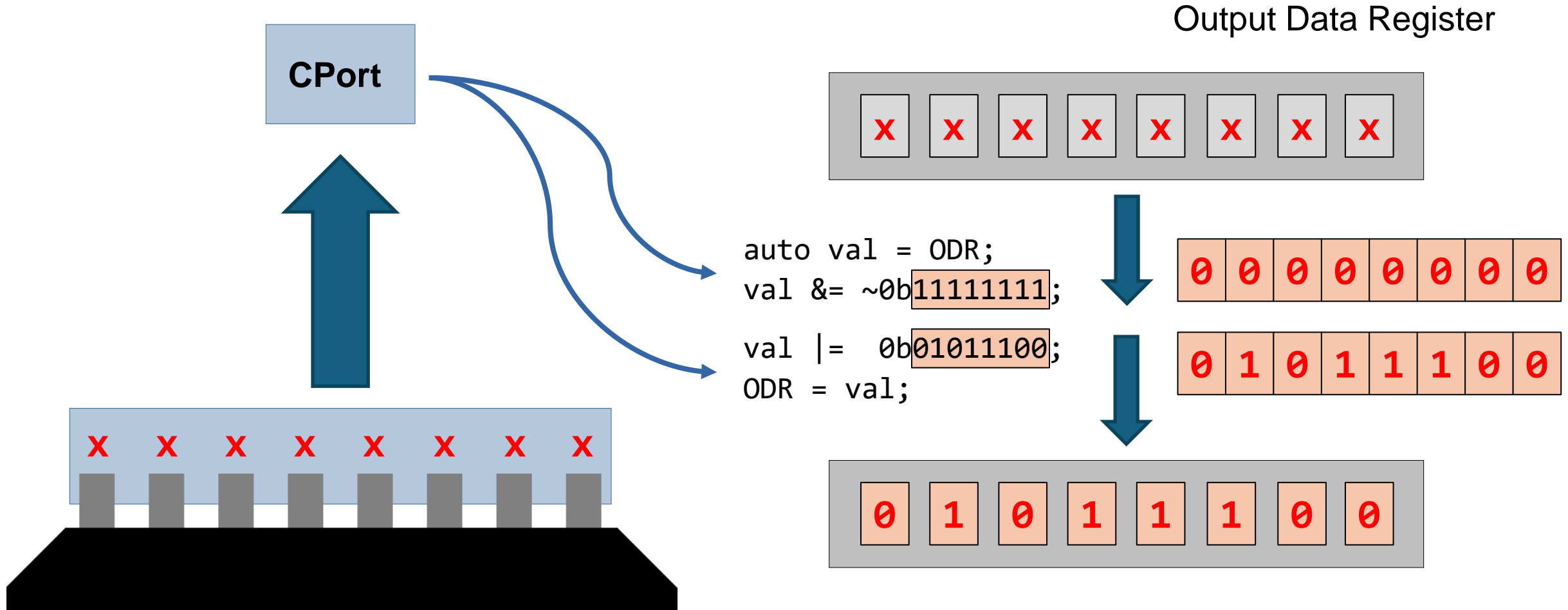


# Architecture Matters





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# Dealing with Inefficiencies

# Inefficiencies in HAL

```
typedef struct {  
    uint32_t pin;  
    GPIO_Modes mode;  
} GPIO_InitStruct;
```

```
void GPIO_Init(GPIO_InitStruct* conf) {  
    uint32_t temp;
```

```
    /* check the values */
```

```
    if (!IS_GPIO_PIN(conf->pin)) { return; }
```

```
    if (!IS_GPIO_MODE(conf->mode)) { return; }
```

```
    /* configure the GPIO based on the settings */
```

```
    if (conf->mode == GPIO_MODE_OUTPUT) {
```

```
        temp = OSPEEDR;
```

```
        temp &= ~(OSPEEDR_MASK << (conf->pin * 2u));
```

```
        temp |= (GPIO_SPEED_FREQ_LOW << (conf->pin * 2u));
```

```
        OSPEEDR = temp;
```

```
        /* ... */
```

```
    }
```

```
    /* ... */
```

```
}
```

Enums are basically integers with no value restrictions

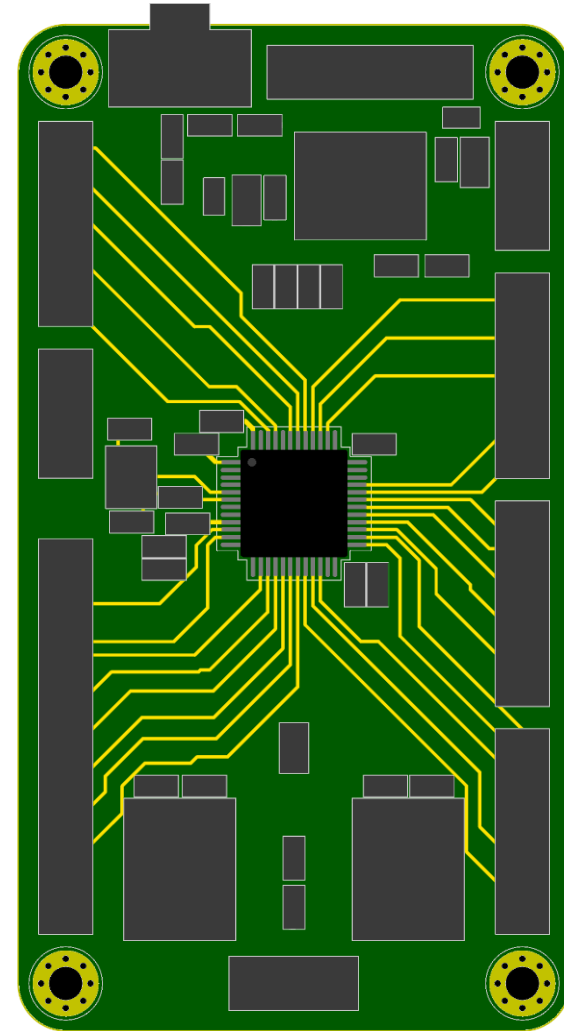
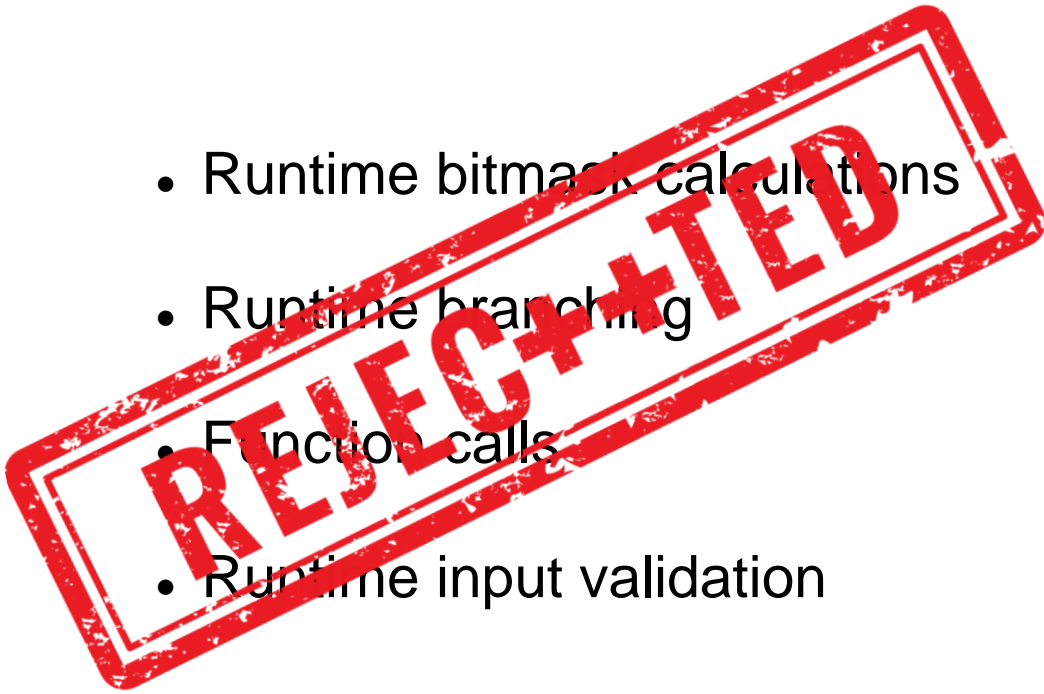
Runtime branching based on input parameters

Runtime bitmask calculations

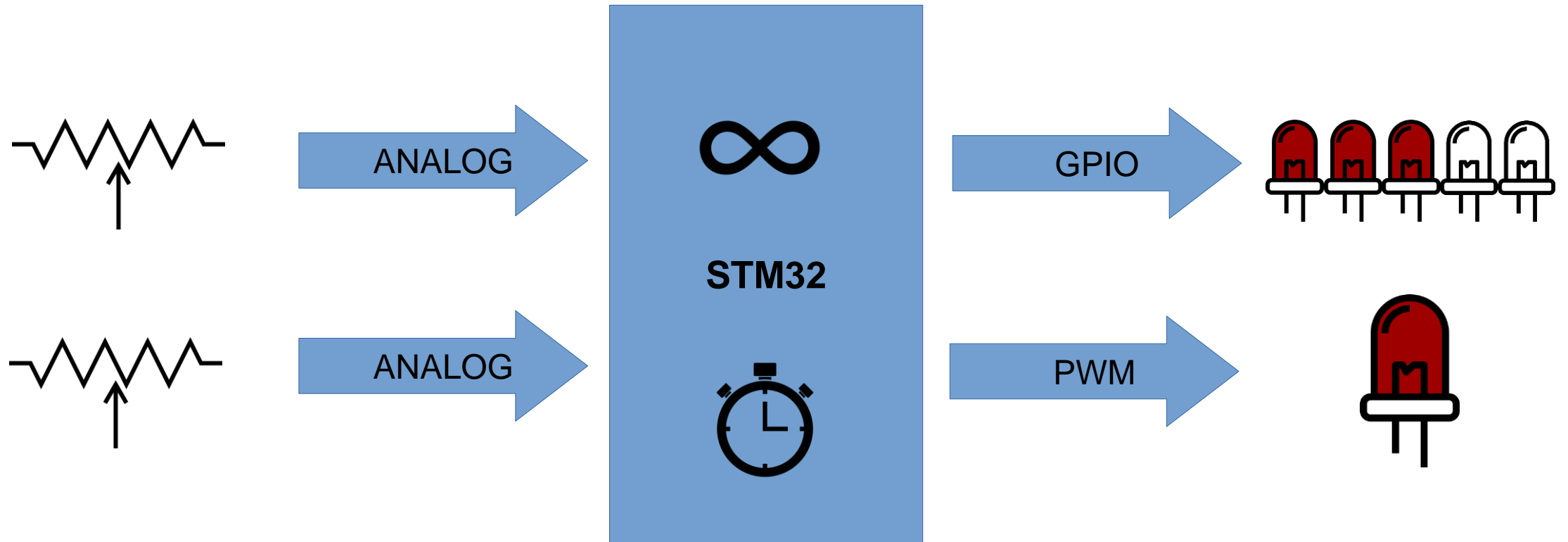
Function calls

# Inefficiencies in HAL

- Runtime bitmask calculations
- Runtime branching
- Function calls
- Runtime input validation

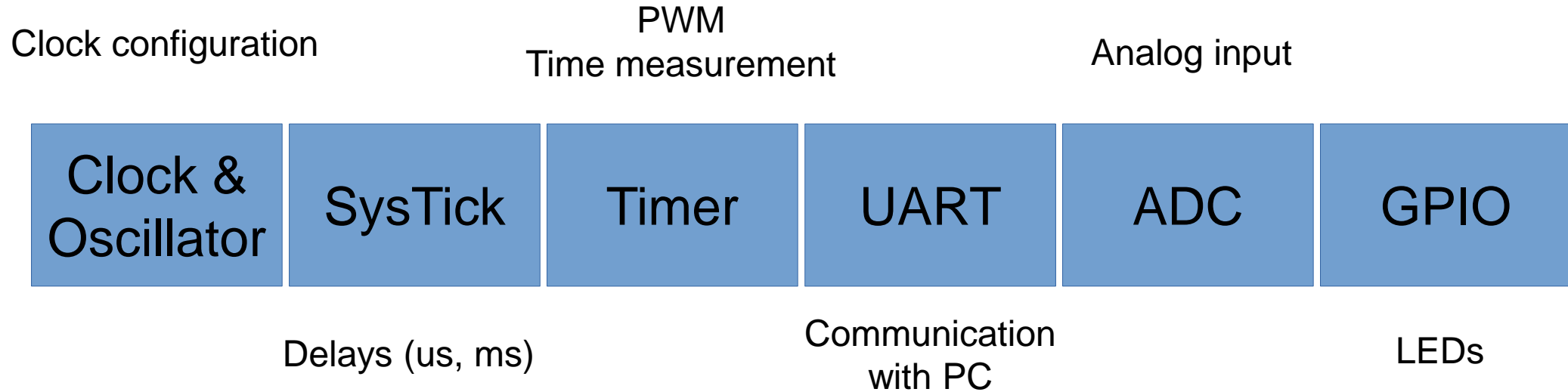


# Setup



C

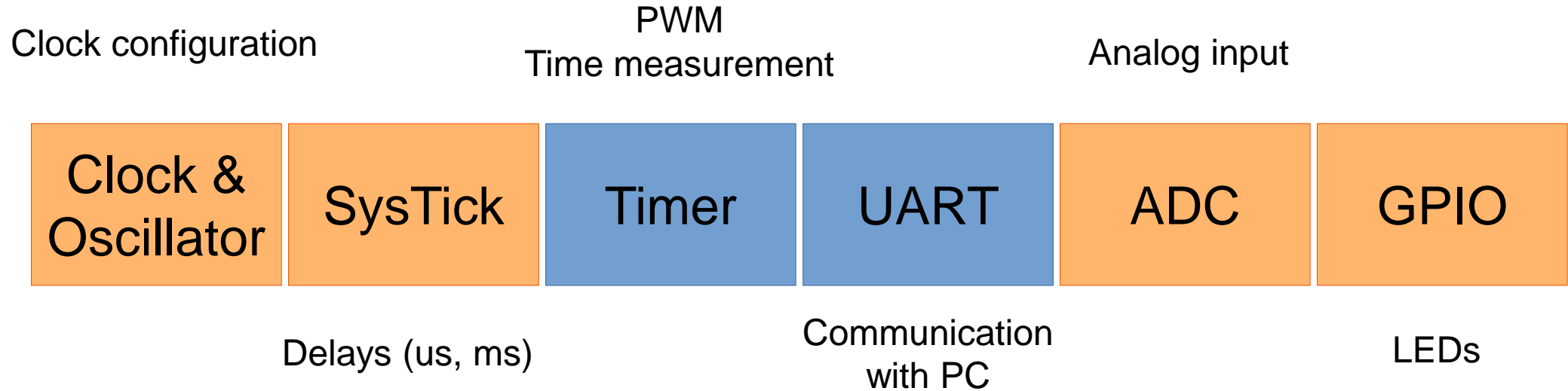
# Modules



# Modules

C

C++



# Enumerations

```
enum class modes : std::uint32_t {  
    input = 0b00,  
    output = 0b01,  
    alt_func = 0b10,  
    analog = 0b11  
};
```

```
enum class ports : std::uint8_t {  
    port_f,  
    port_d,  
    port_c,  
    port_b,  
    port_a  
};
```

## Enumerations

- Not plain integers anymore
- No implicit conversion between enum values and integral types
  - Explicit `static_cast` required
  - Harder to misuse accidentally



# Templates & Concepts

```
template <modes mode>
concept is_valid_mode = (
    (mode == modes::input) ||
    (mode == modes::output) ||
    (mode == modes::alt_func) ||
    (mode == modes::analog)
);
```

```
template <pins pin>
concept is_valid_pin = (
    is_valid_low_pin<pin> || is_valid_high_pin<pin>
);
```

```
template <pins... pin>
concept are_valid_pins = (is_valid_pin<pin> && ...);
```

## Template parameters

- Compile time parameter passing

## Concepts

- Set of requirements on template arguments
- Compile time parameter validation

# Immediate Functions

- Executed at compile time
- Useful for e.g., bitmask calculations

```
template <modes mode, pins... pin>
requires (are_valid_pins<pin ...> && is_valid_mode<mode>)
constexpr std::uint32_t moder_value () {
    return (... | (static_cast<std::uint32_t>(mode) <<
        (static_cast<std::uint32_t>(pin) * 2)));
}
```

```
template <pins... pin>
requires (are_valid_pins<pin ...>)
constexpr std::uint32_t moder_bitmask () {
    return (... | (GPIO_MODER_MODER0 <<
        (static_cast<std::uint32_t>(pin) * 2)));
}
```

# Compile-time Branching

```
template <GpioInitConfig conf, pins... pin>
requires (is_valid_gpio_config<conf> && are_valid_pins<pin...>)
static inline void configure_pins() {
    static_assert((sizeof...(pin) > 0), "No pins provided.");
    if constexpr ((conf.mode == modes::output) || (conf.mode == modes::alt_func)) {
        /* ... */
    }
    if constexpr (conf.mode != modes::analog) {
        /* ... */
    }
    if constexpr (conf.mode == modes::alt_func) {
        /* ... */
    }
    /* ... */
}
```

Eliminates:

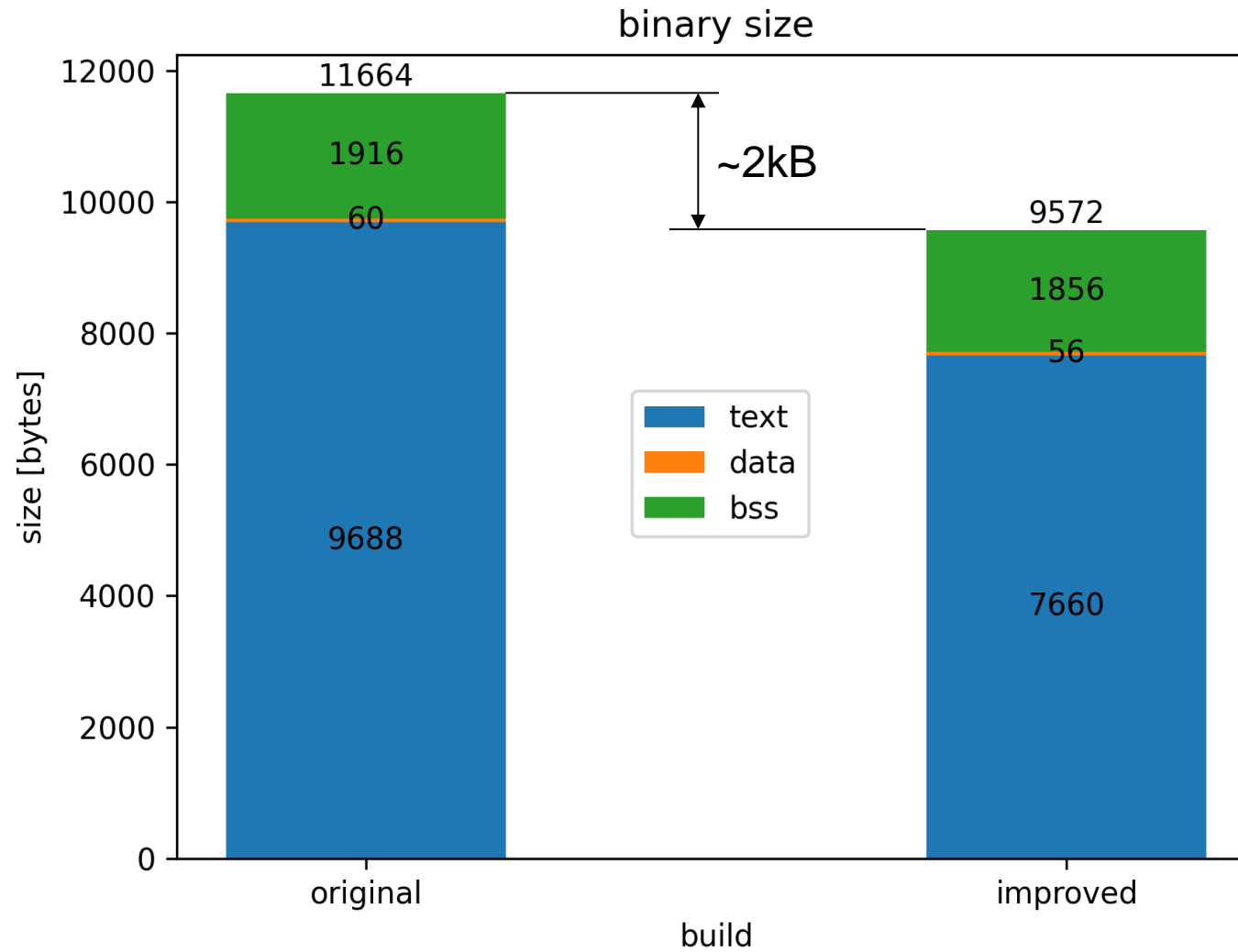
- Unused code
- Comparisons
- Jump instructions

# Result

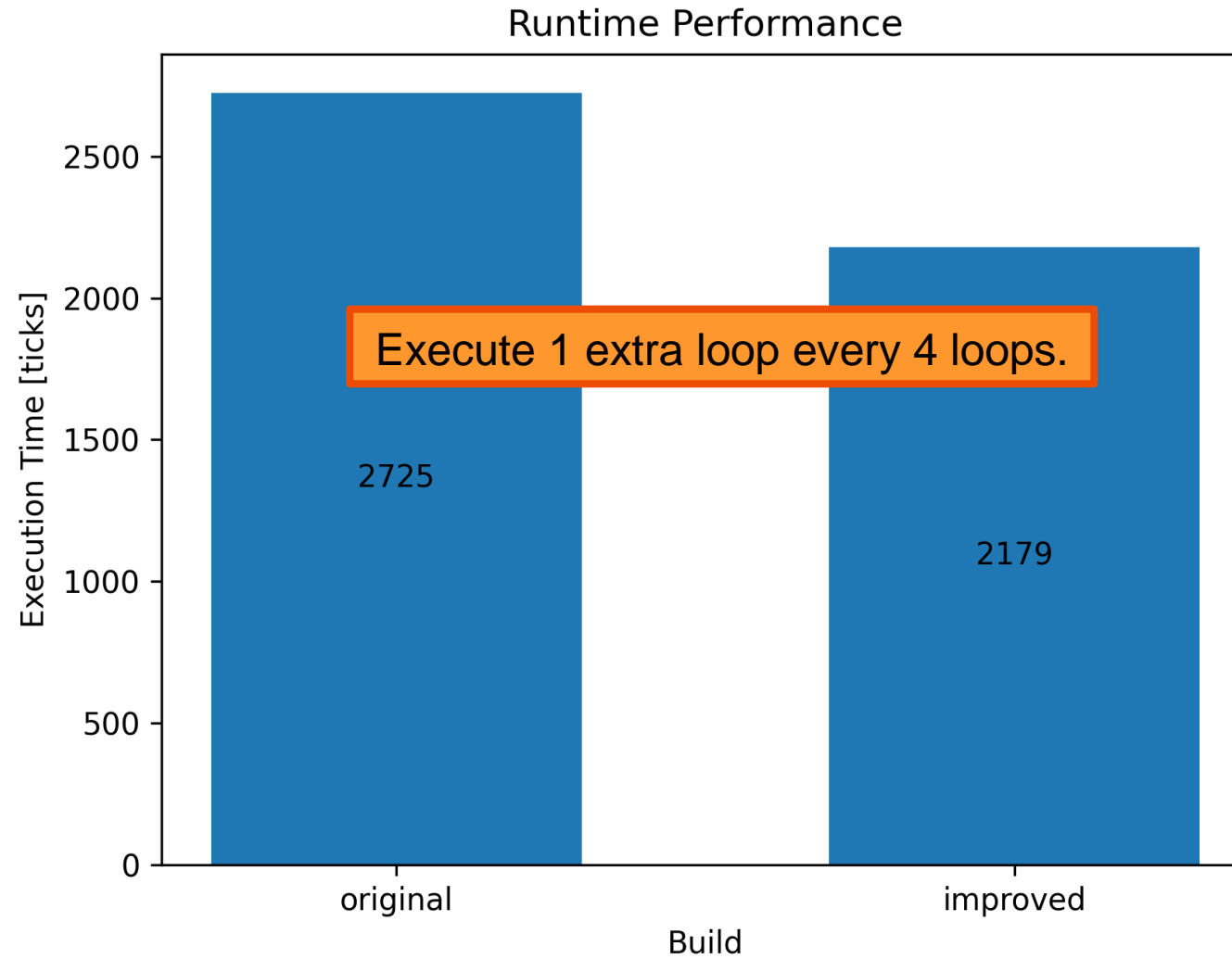
- Compile time parameter validation
- Compile time bitmask calculations
- Compile time branching
- Complex functions -> couple of register operations



# Result



# Result



# Code Bloat

non-type template parameter

```
hal::rcc::CRcc::configure_oscillator<oscillator_config_1>();  
hal::rcc::CRcc::configure_oscillator<oscillator_config_2>();  
hal::rcc::CRcc::configure_oscillator<oscillator_config_3>();
```

\_ZN3hal3rcc4CRcc20configure\_oscillatorIX...

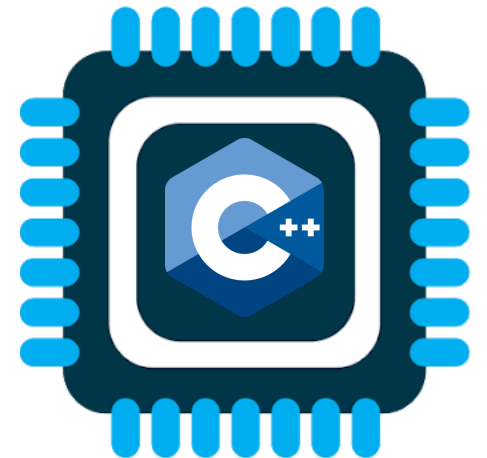
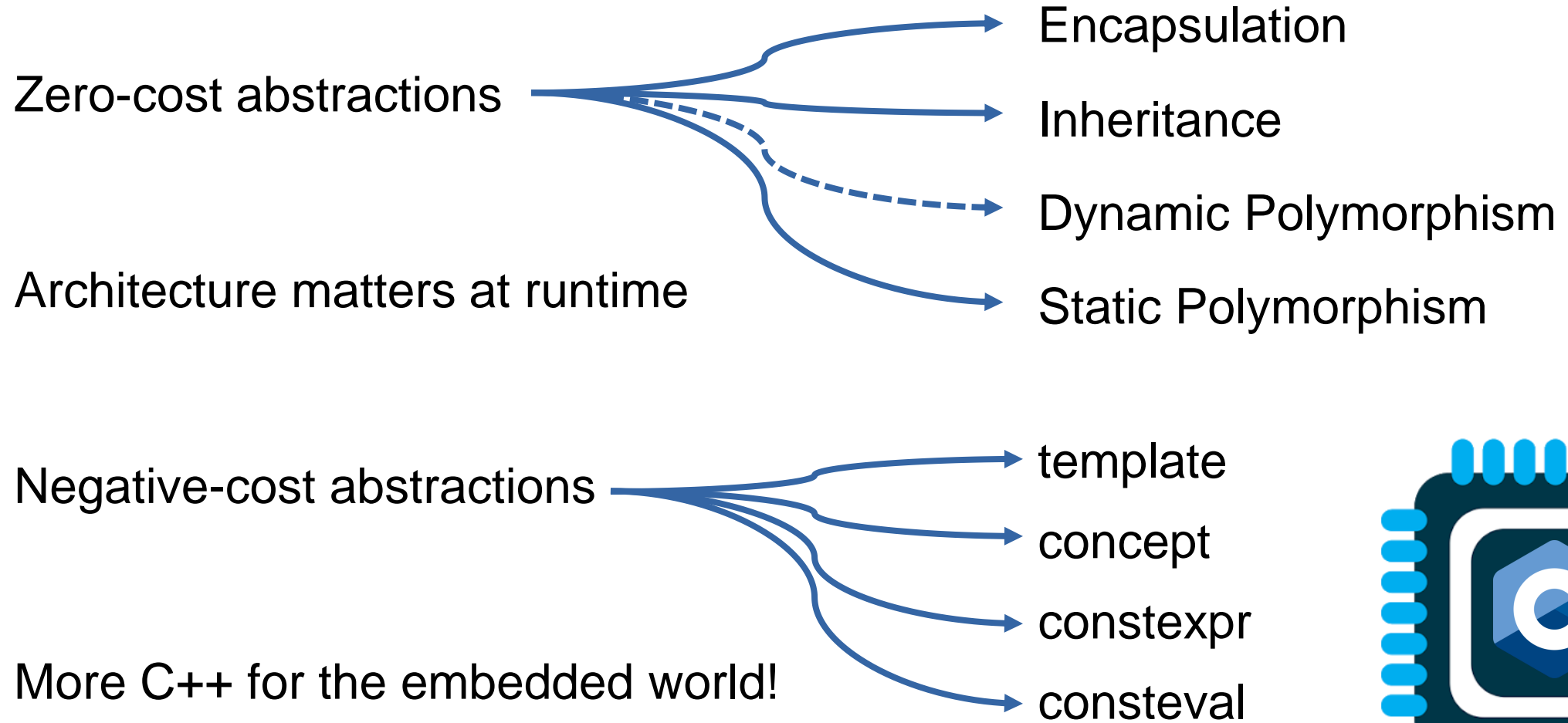
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Binary size

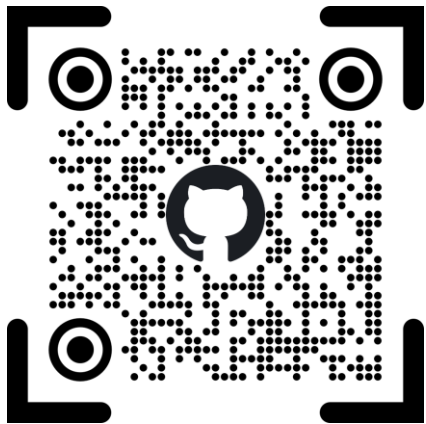
Compilation time

# Conclusions





# Thank You!



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