



# *OpenRewrite in a Nutshell*

*Scaling Upgrades with  
Practical Insights*

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# Frameworks we've used



2

JUnit



1

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*Upgraded to...*



JAKARTA® EE



spring® 6



QUARKUS

3

JUnit



LOG4J



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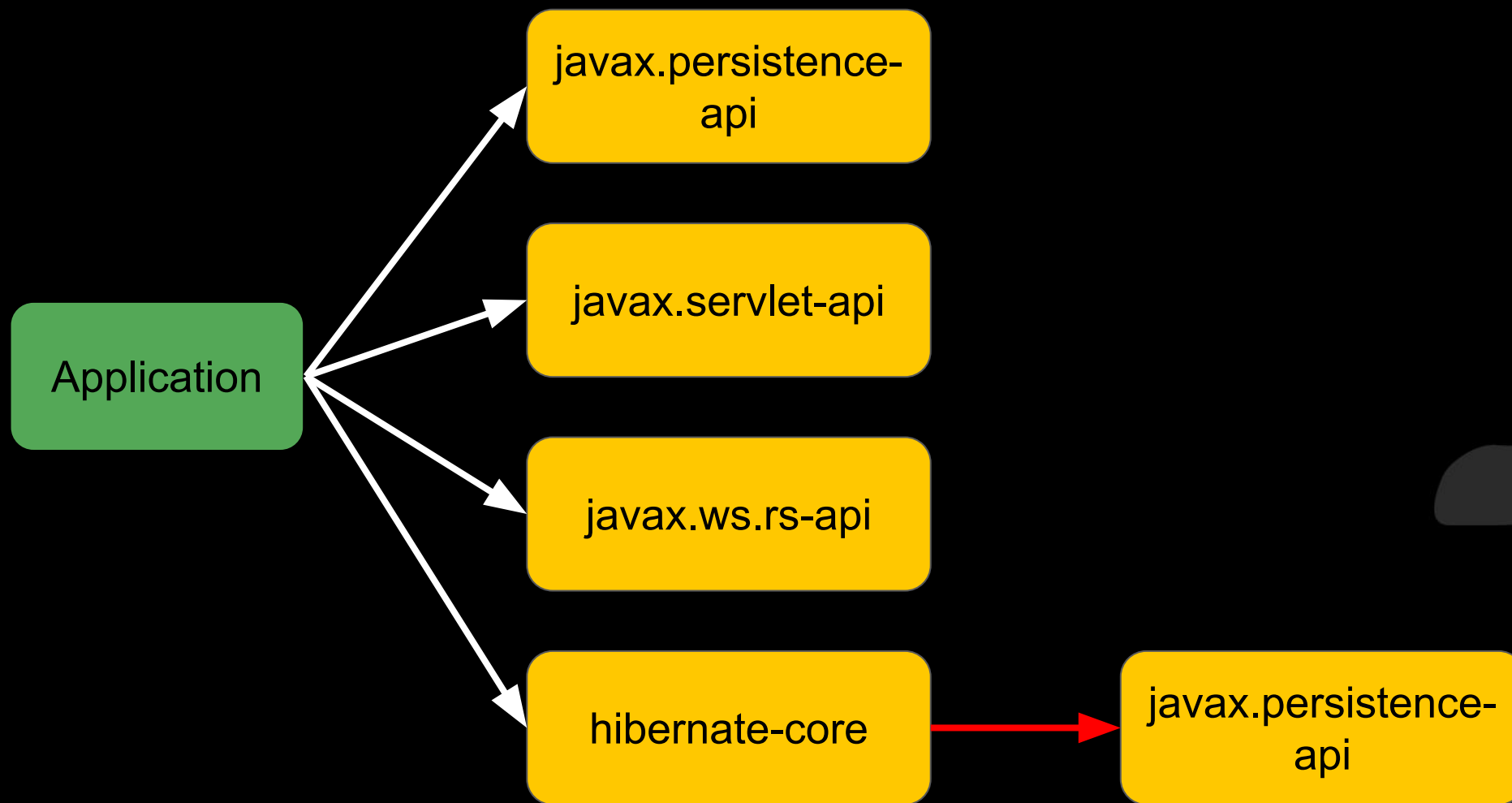
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# A large upgrade: Jakarta EE 9

// **javax**.inject.Inject -> **jakarta**.inject.Inject

// **javax**.naming.InitialContext -> **javax**.naming.InitialContext

# *A large upgrade: Jakarta EE 9*



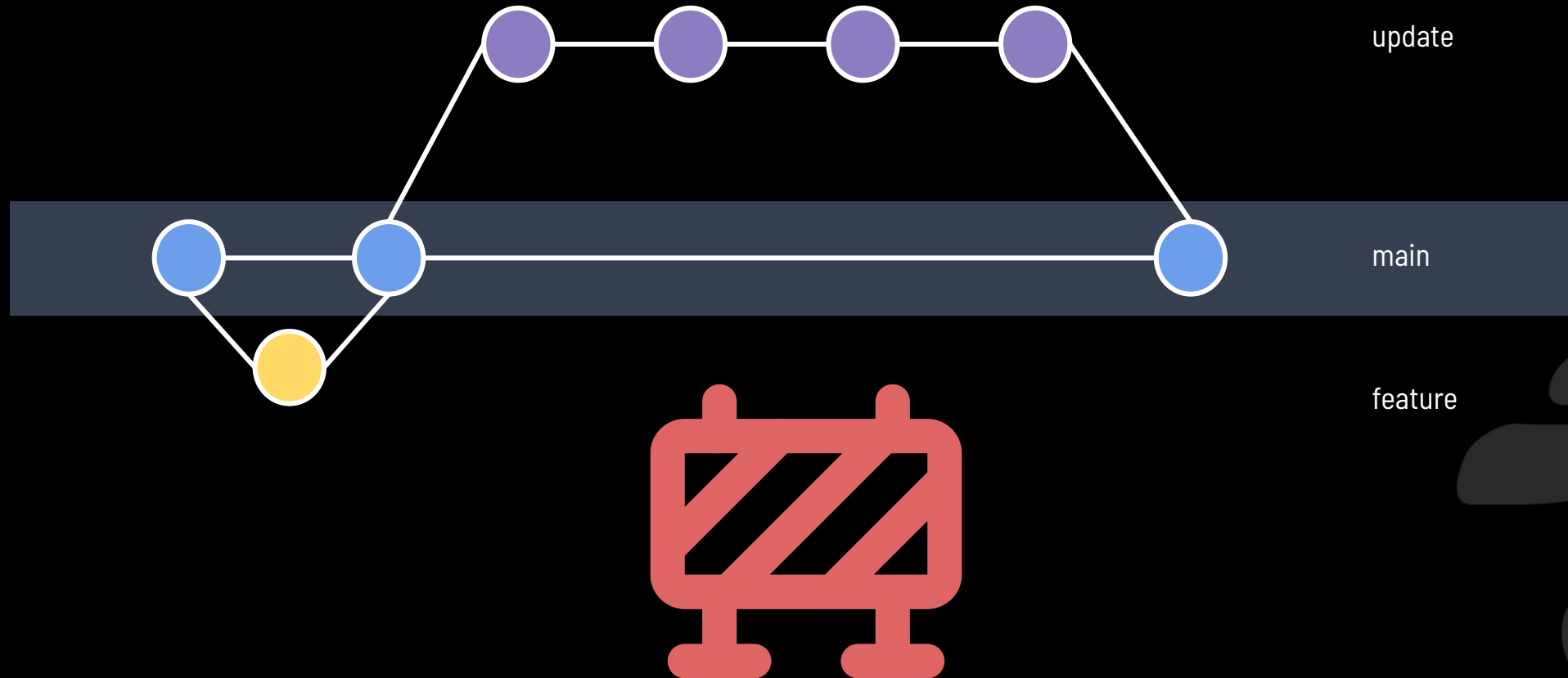
# *Upgrading manually - A tedious task*

*// Time consuming*

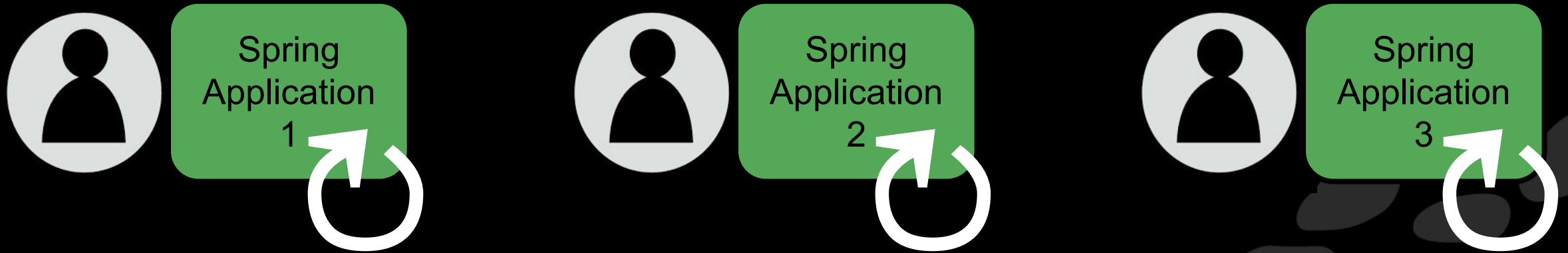
*// Error prone*

*// Not fun*

# Upgrading manually - Stop the world

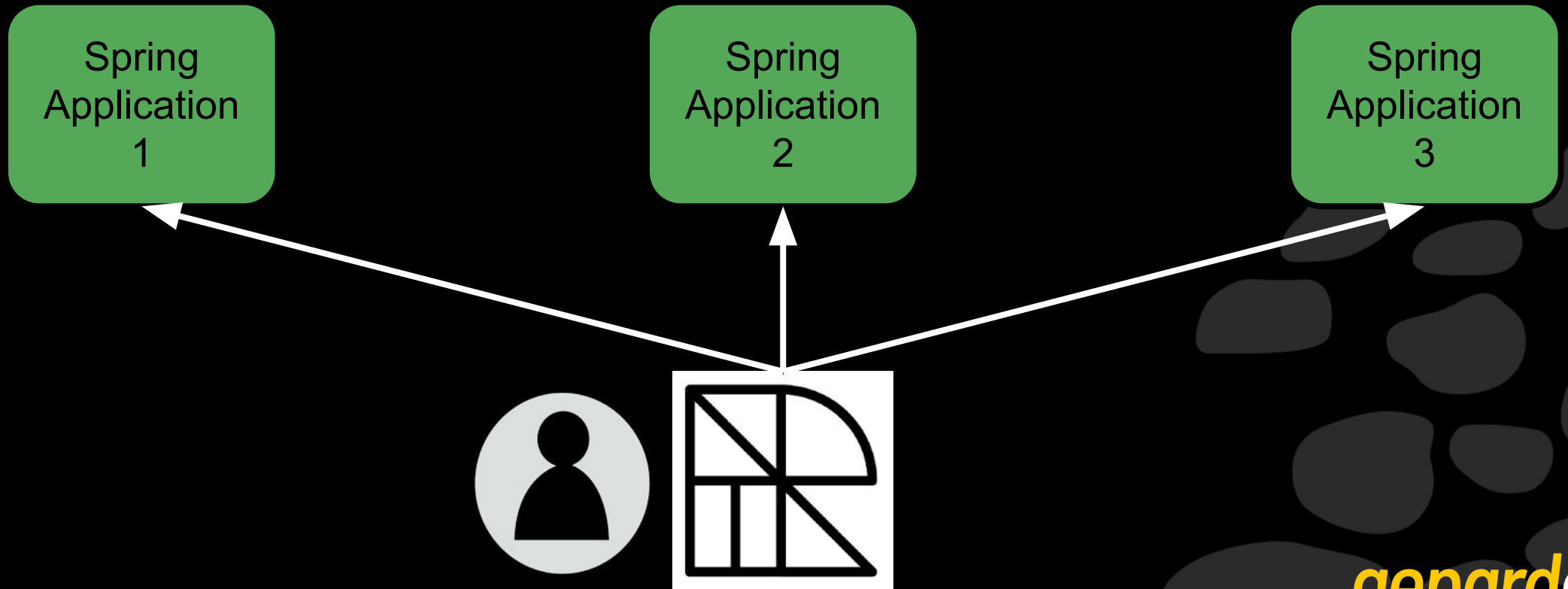


# *Upgrading manually - Repeated effort*

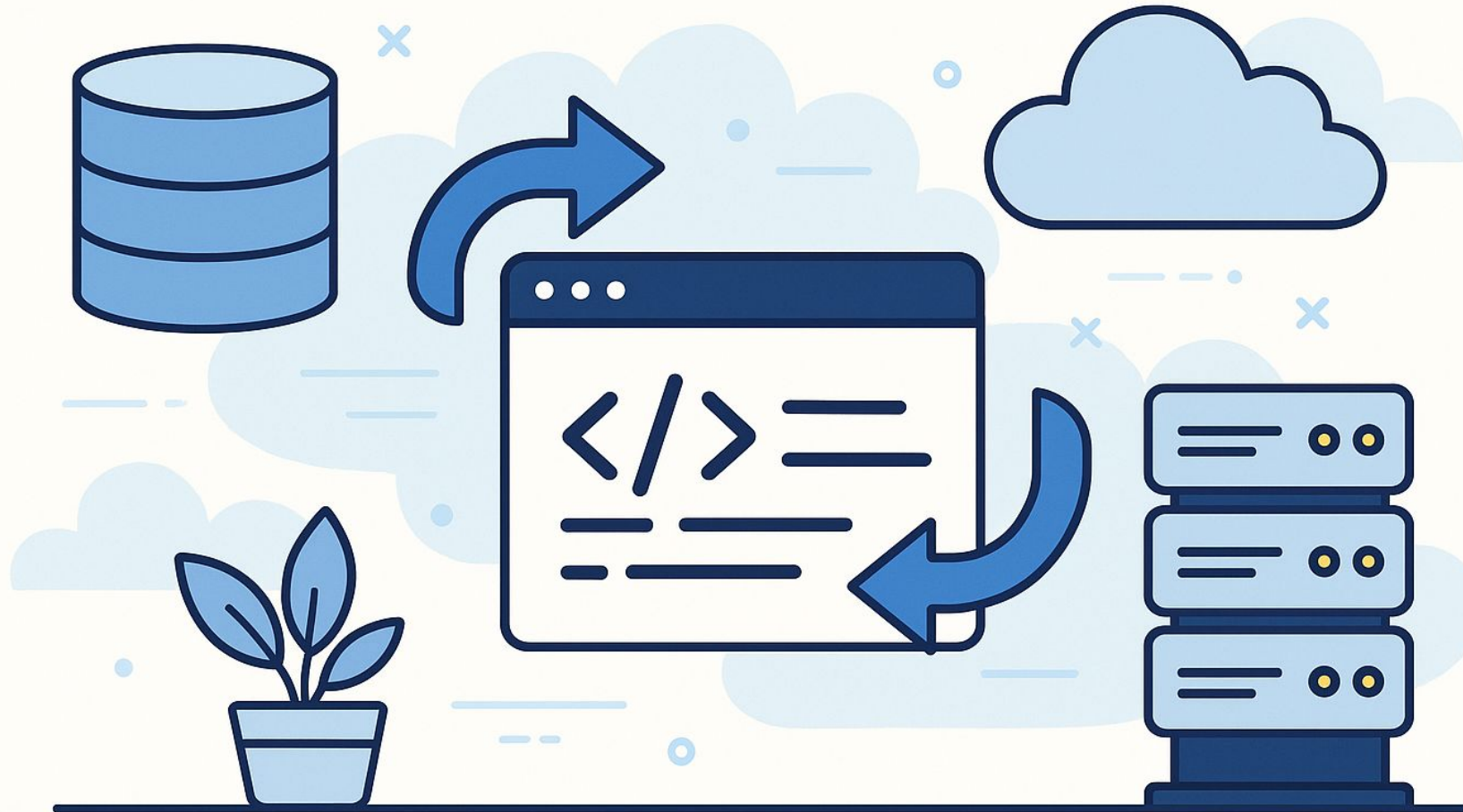




# *And that's how OpenRewrite got born!*



# MIGRATIONS AS CODE



# *Formats supported by OpenRewrite*

*// Java*

*// XML / Maven*

*// Groovy / Gradle*

*// JSON*

*// YAML*

*// Properties*

*// ...*

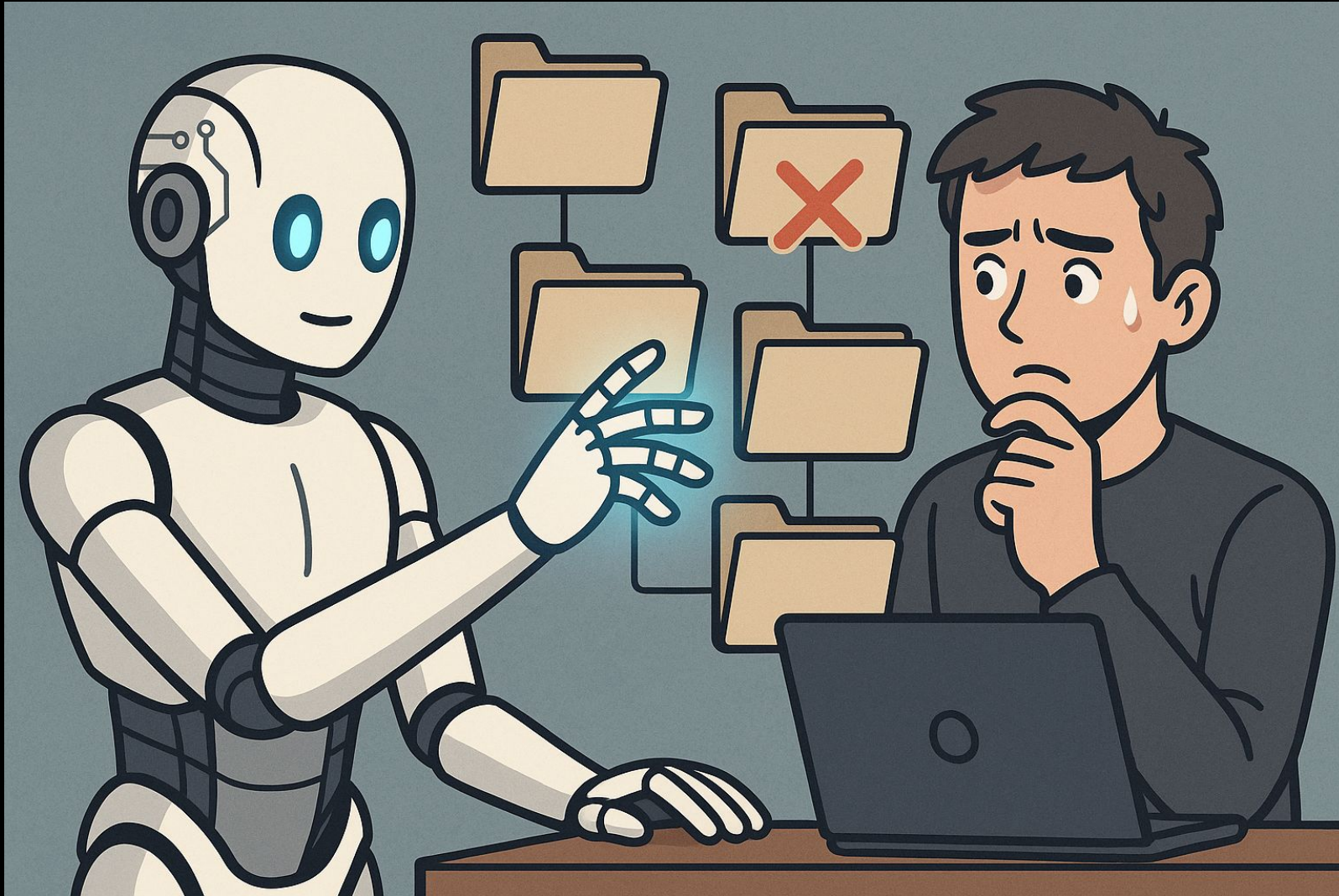
# About text replacements

```
public void example() {  
    Type x = new Type();  
    x.doSomething();  
    OtherType y = new OtherType();  
    y.doSomething();  
}
```



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# About LLMs



# Recipe Catalog

*// List of official Recipes by Moderne / Open Source*

<https://docs.openrewrite.org/recipes/java/migrate/jakarta/jakartaee11>





# *Composite Recipes*

# Another Recipe

<https://docs.openrewrite.org/recipes/maven/changedependencygroupidandartifactid>



# Other Recipes

// UpgradeDependency

// ChangePropertyValue

// ChangeType

// ReplaceAnnotation

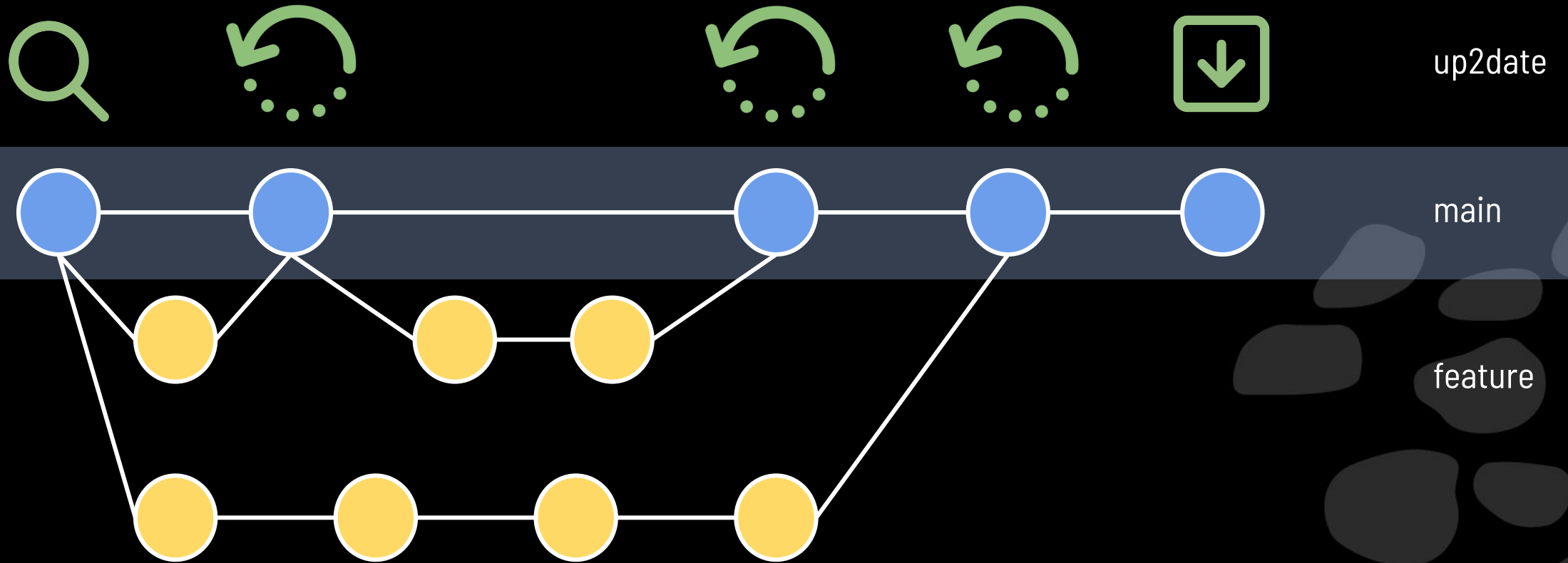
// JakartaEE10

// Slf4jToLog4j

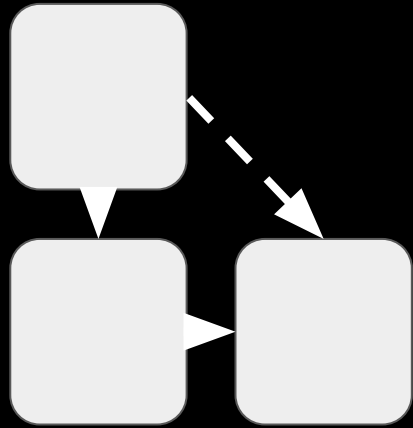


# *Framework Migrations*

# Transformer



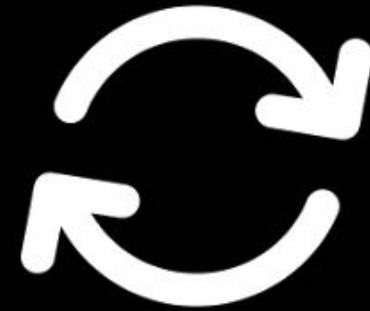
# *Prerequisites for Framework Migrations*



// Transitive dependencies in controlled code?

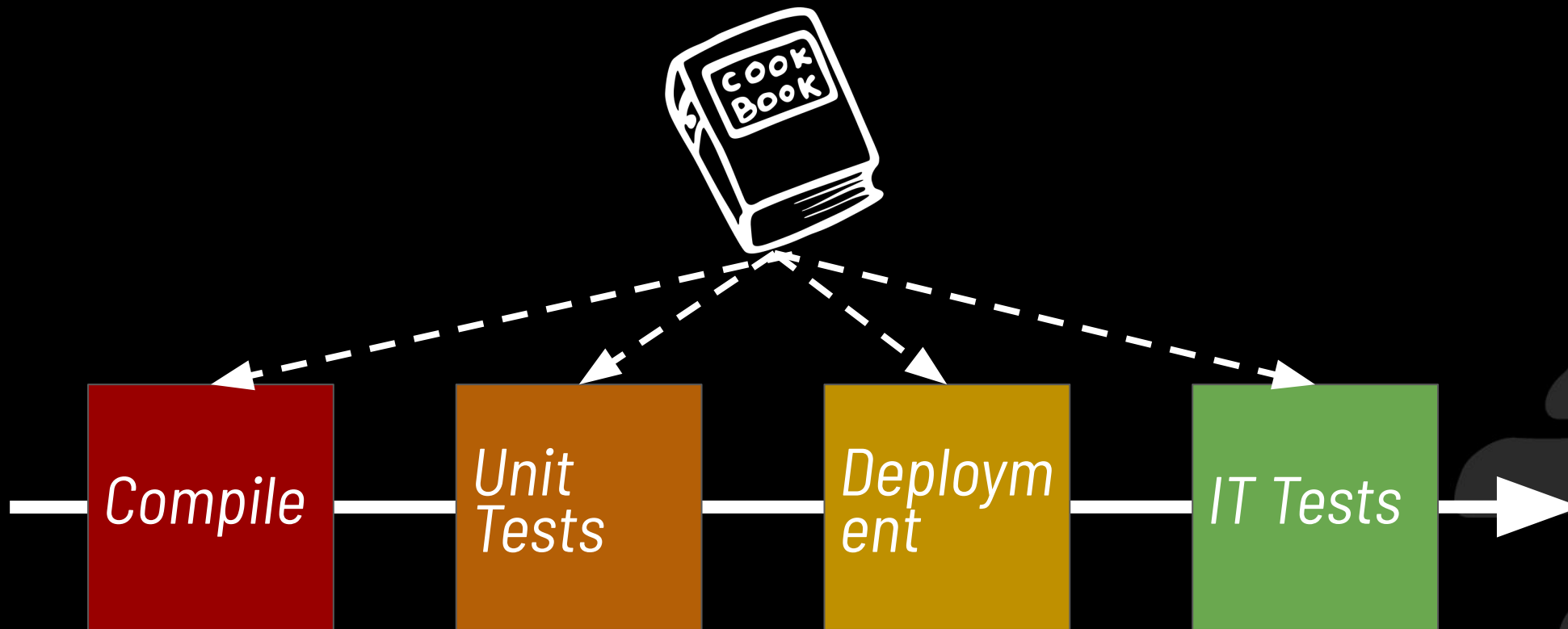


// Ensure a good test coverage



// Clean up to ease automation

# *Automating Framework Migrations*



# Single Cases

*Q: Should I make the effort to integrate specific cases even if they only have one occurrence?*

*A: Yes! But keep it simple! For example, you could do:*

- FindAndReplace*
- Replace entire files*



# *Custom Recipes*

# Interface transformation

```
request  
    .getMetadata()  
    .setTenantId("1");
```

```
Metadata meta =  
    ObjectFactory.createMetadata();  
JaxbElement<String> tenantId =  
    ObjectFactory  
        .createMetadataTenantId("1");  
meta.setTenantId(tenantId);  
request.setMetadata(meta);
```





# Lossless Semantics Tree (LST)

```
\--J.ClassDeclaration  
  |--J.Modifier | "public"  
  |--J.Identifier | "Main"  
  \--J.Block
```

public class Main {...}

```
\-----J.MethodDeclaration | "MethodDeclaration{com.gepardec.Main}"  
  |--J.Modifier | "public"  
  |--J.Modifier | "static"  
  |--J.Primitive | "void"  
  |--J.Identifier | "main"  
  |-----J.VariableDeclarations | "String[] args"  
  \--J.Block  
    \-----J.MethodInvocation | "System.out.println(\"Hello world!\")"  
      |-----J.FieldAccess | "System.out"  
      |--J.Identifier | "println"  
      |-----J.Literal | ""Hello world!""
```

# Lossless Semantics Tree (LST)

```
\--J.ClassDeclaration  
  |--J.Modifier | "public"      public static void main(String[] args)  
  |--J.Identifier | "Main"      {...}  
  \--J.Block
```

```
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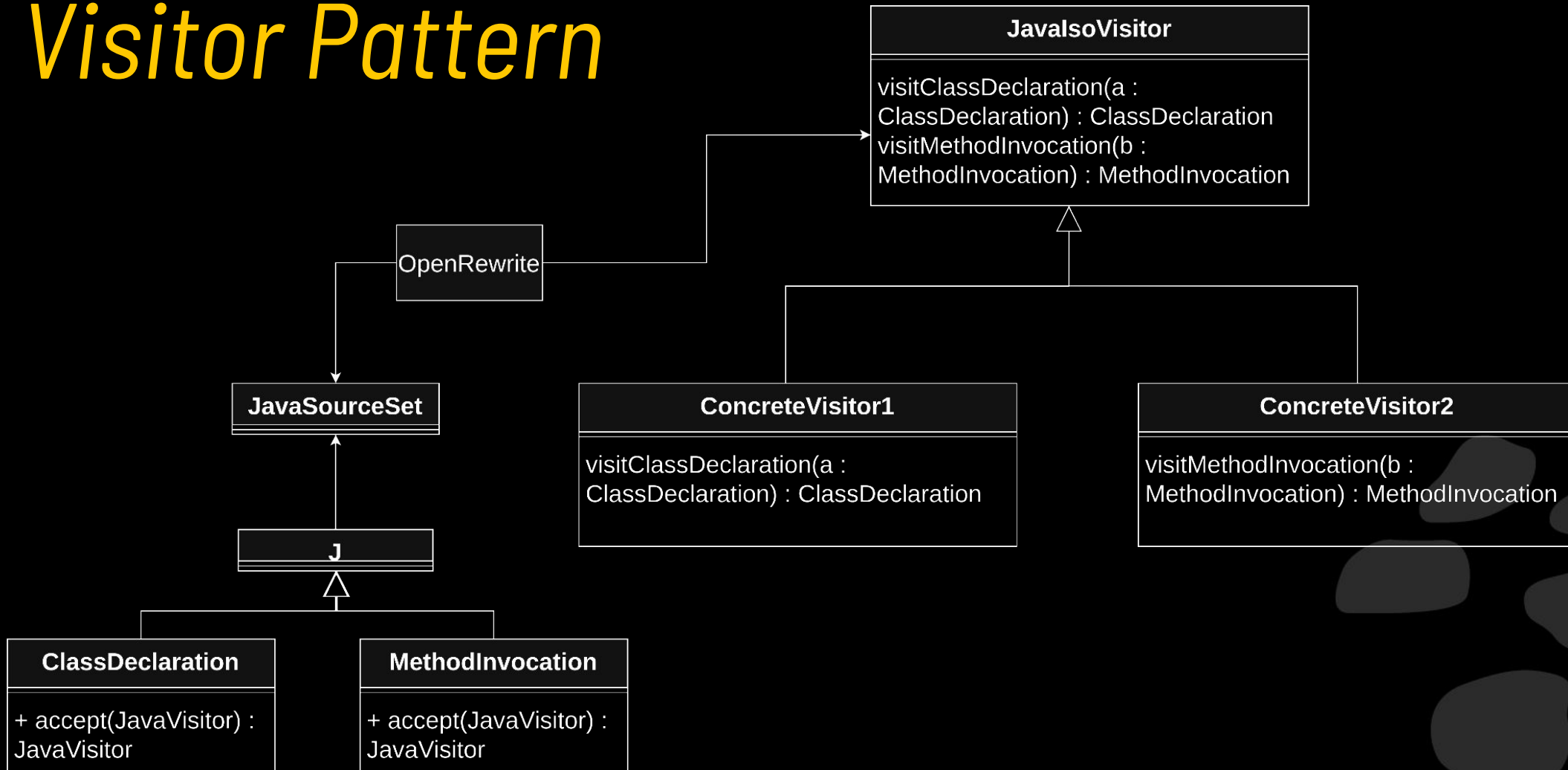
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System.out.println("Hello world!");

# Visitor Pattern





# *Example for custom recipes*

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# Scanning Recipe

**1**  
**SCAN**



// Scan DTO  
hierarchies and store  
as Tree

**2**  
**GENERATE**



**3**  
**VISIT**



// Lookup DTO in  
tree and add  
initialisations +  
nested setters

# *Quality Criterias for Recipes*

*// Type attribution*

*// Idempotency*

*// Atomicity*



# Learning to write Recipes

<https://docs.openrewrite.org/authoring-recipes>

<https://docs.moderne.io/user-documentation/community-office-hours/>

<https://app.moderne.io/recipes/org.openrewrite.java.search.FindMethods>

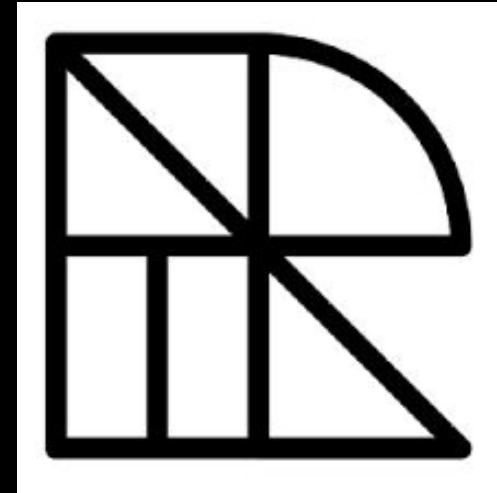
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# DataTables: RelocatedDependencyCheck

```
<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>javax.servlet</groupId>
    <artifactId>javax.servlet-api</artifactId>
    <version>3.0.1</version>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>
```

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5
Dependency group id	Dependency artifact id	Relocated dependency group id	Relocated dependency artifact id	Context
The Group ID of th...	The Artifact ID of the...	The Group ID of the relocated...	The Artifact ID of the relocate...	Context for the relocation, if any.
javax.servlet	javax.servlet-api	jakarta.servlet	jakarta.servlet-api	Java EE new home is Jakarta EE, se...

# Auto Update Service



*// Renovate finds new Updates*

*// OpenRewrite migrates to a new update*



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