

Overview of Frameworks: Introduction



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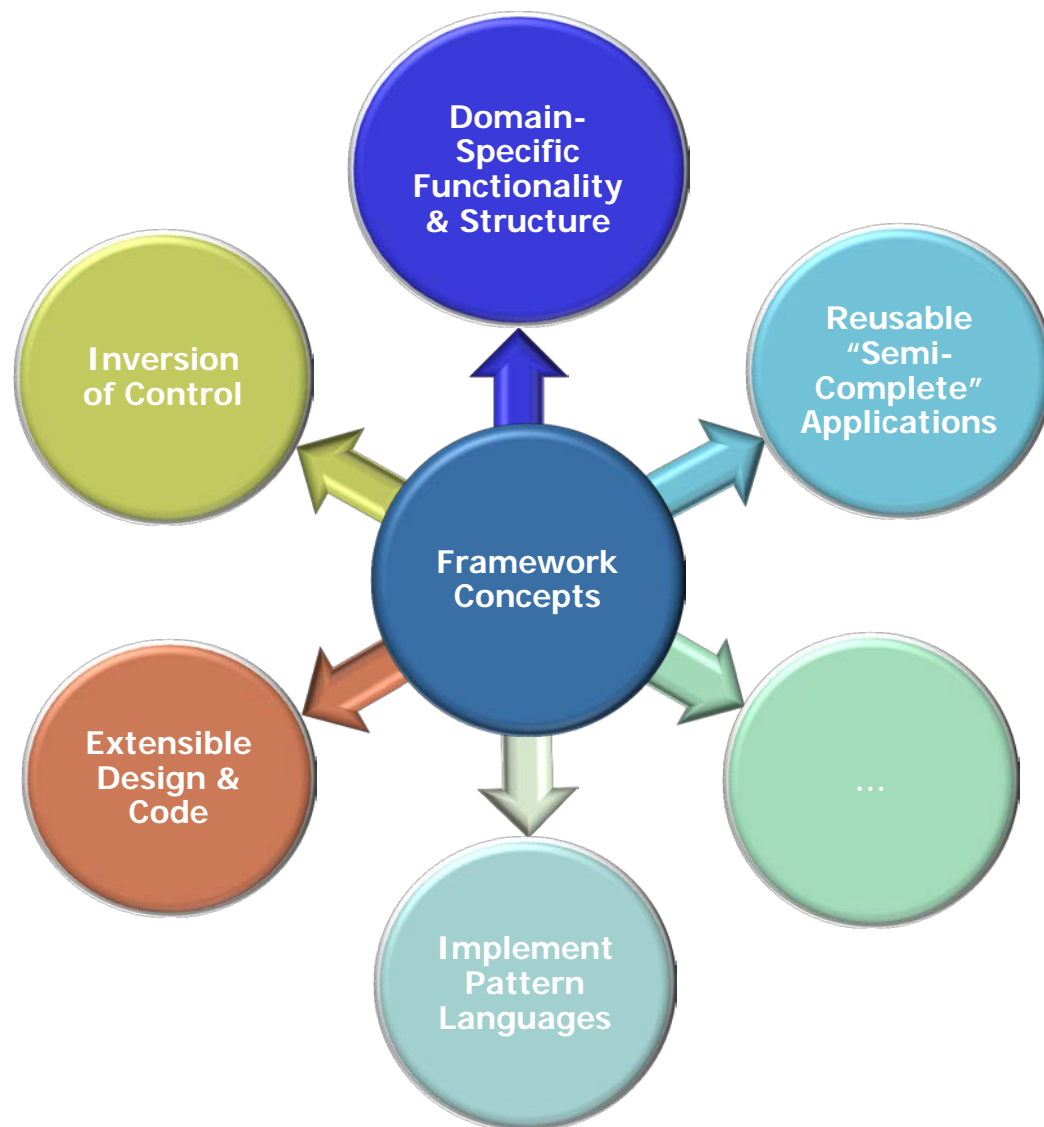
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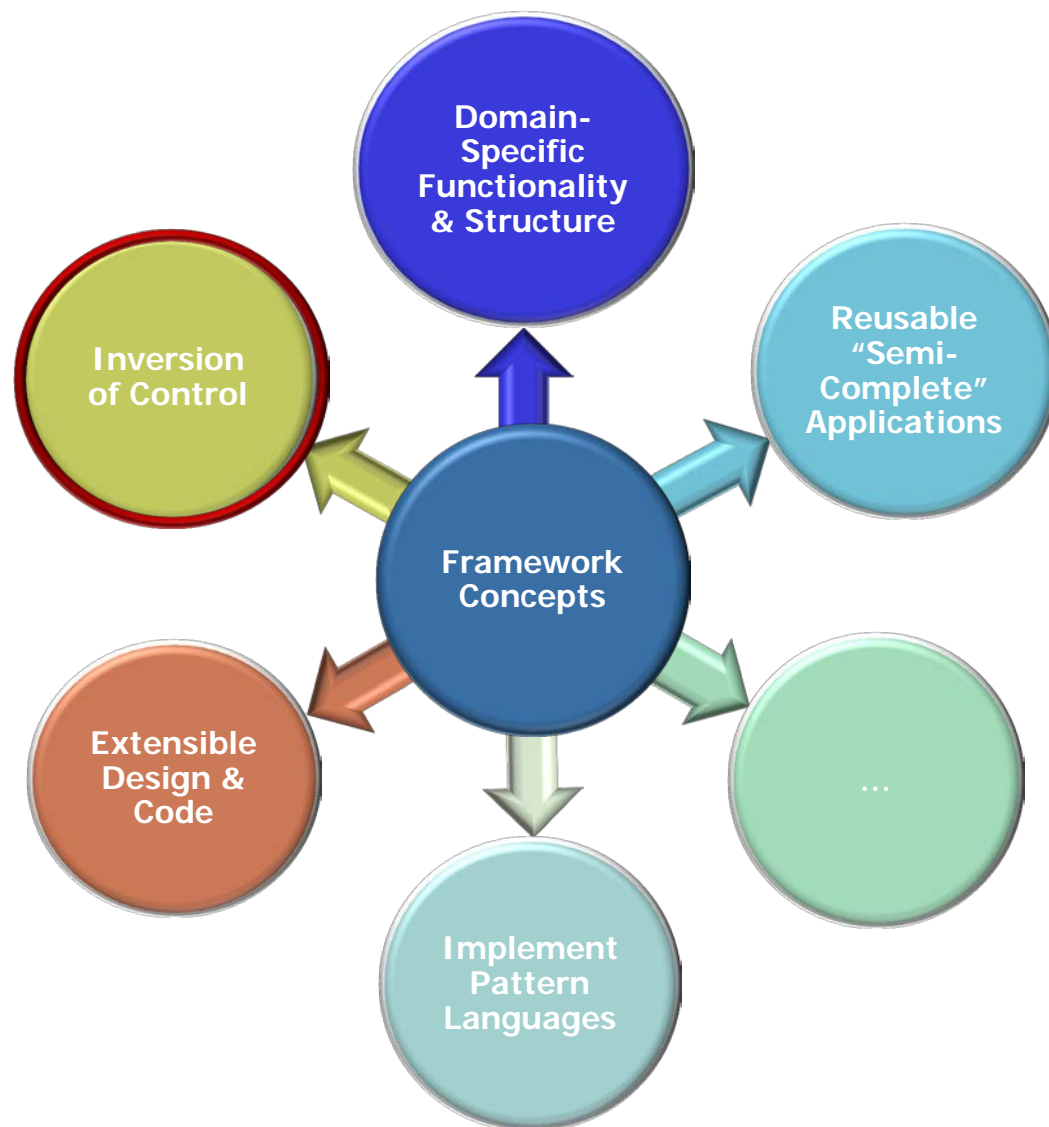
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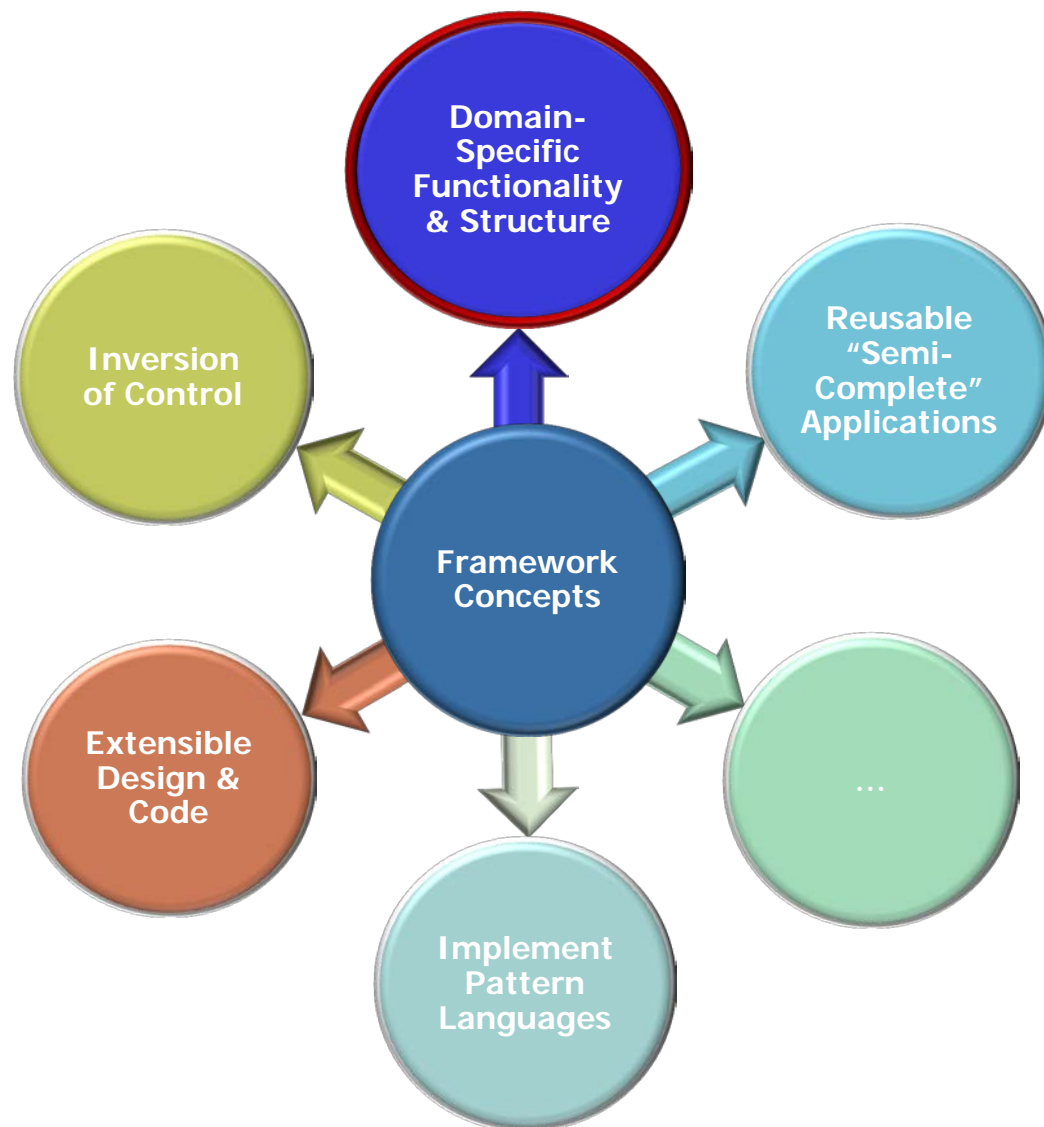
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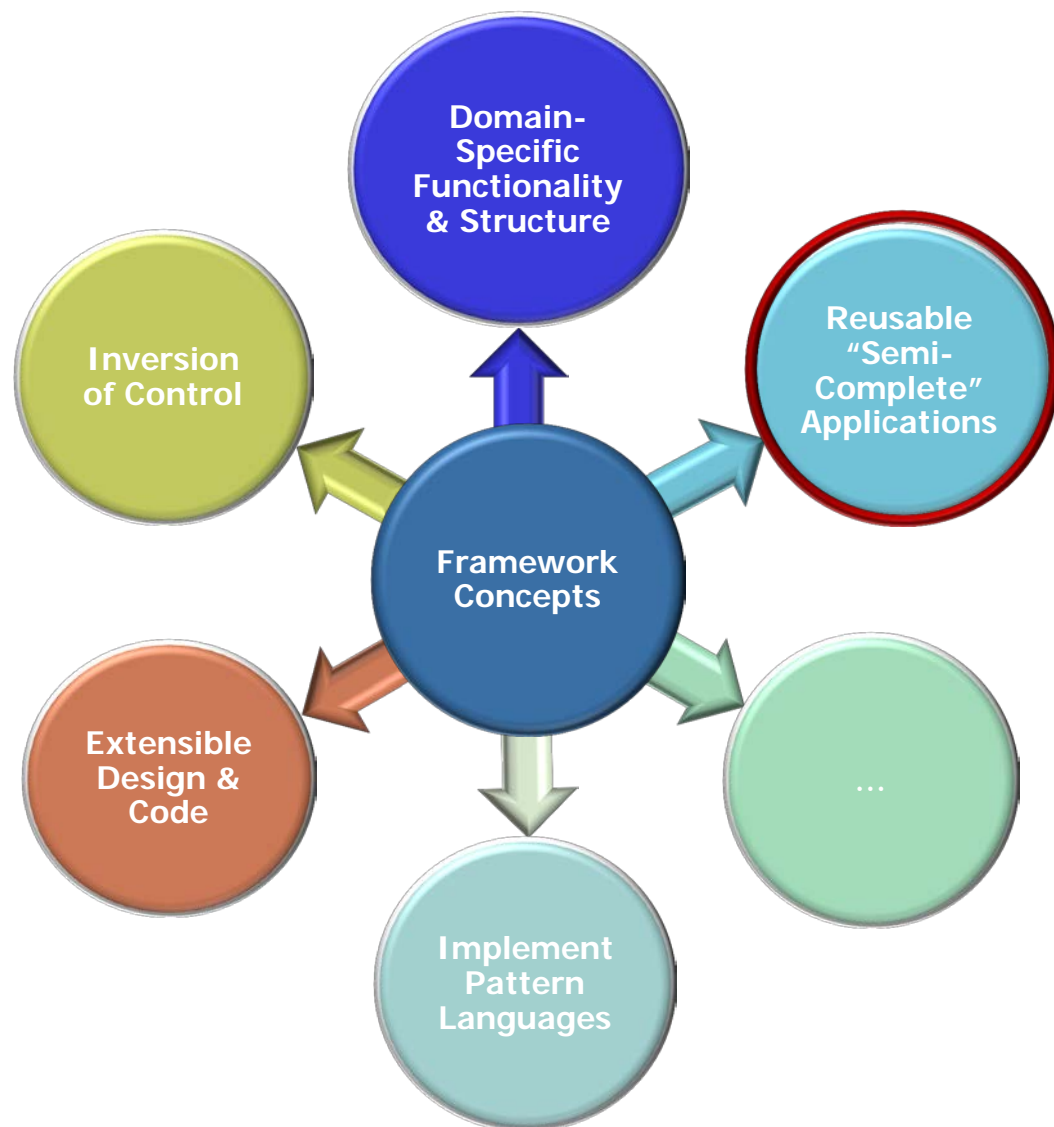
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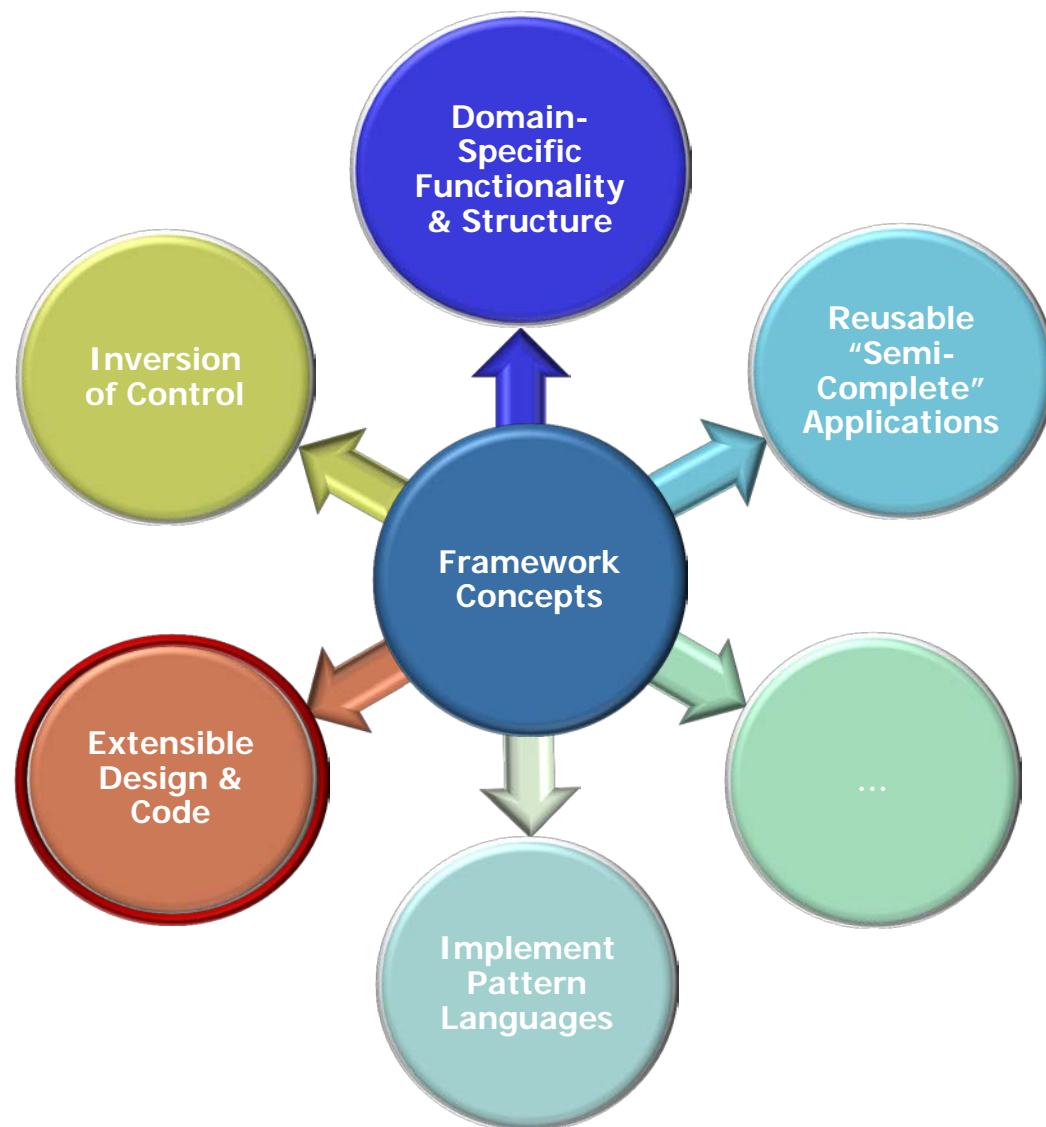
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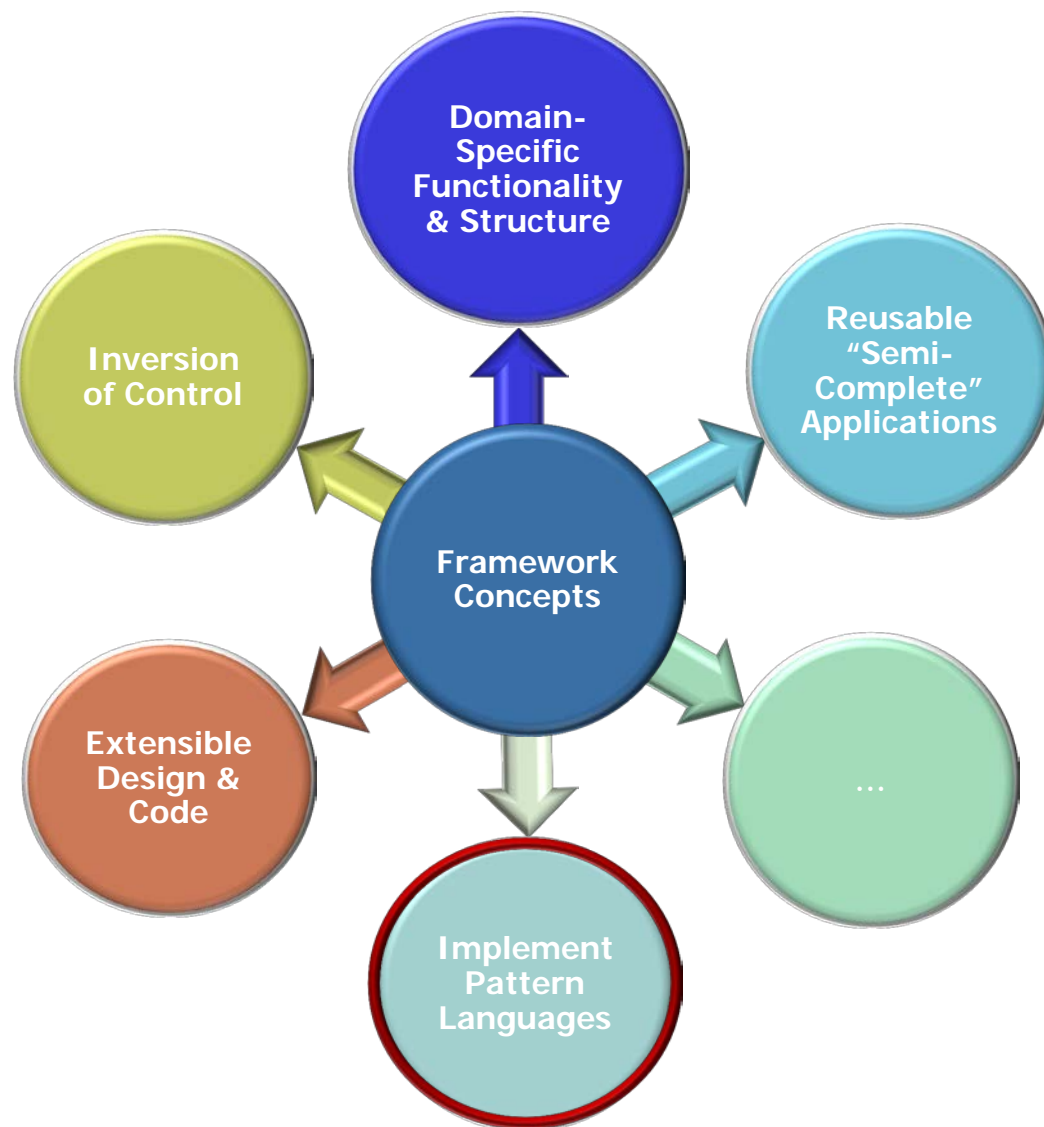
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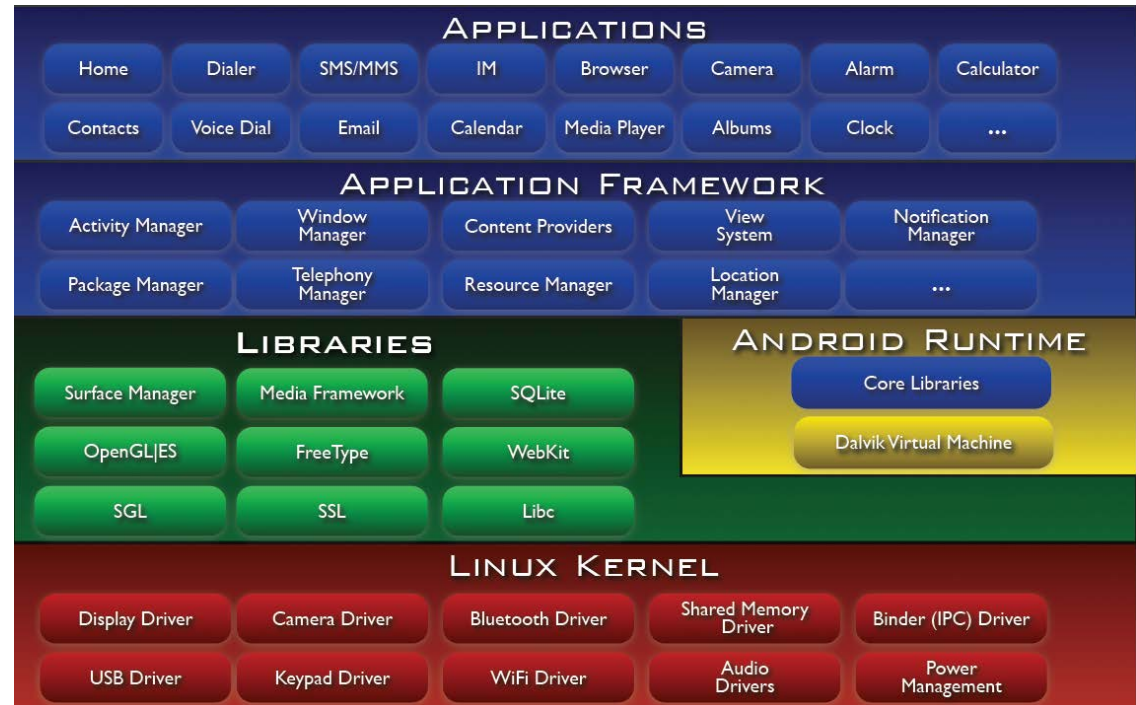
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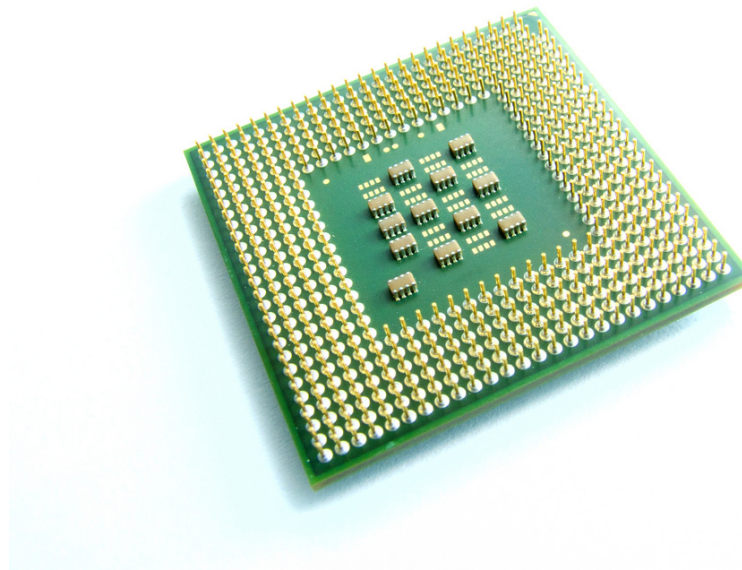
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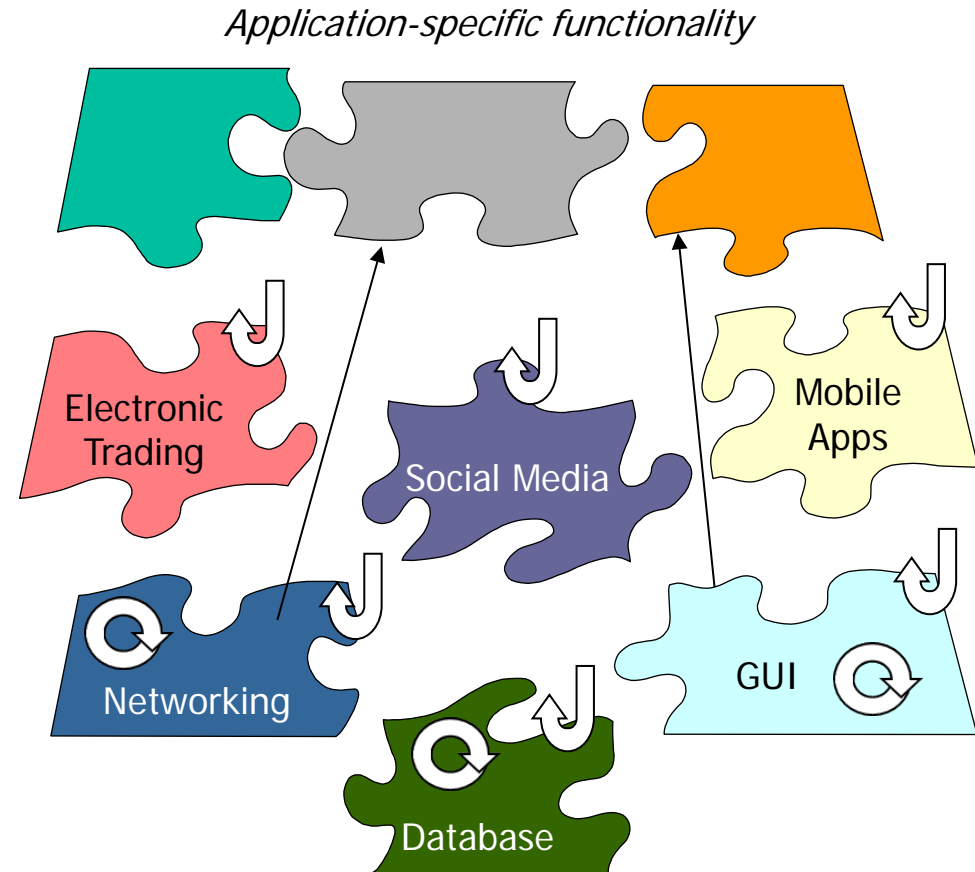
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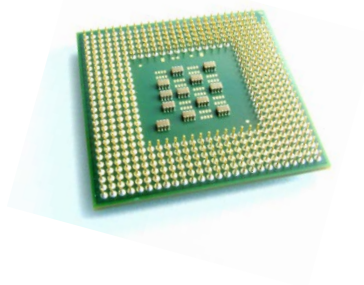
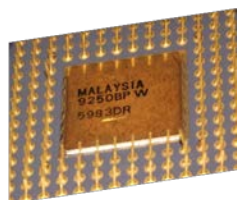


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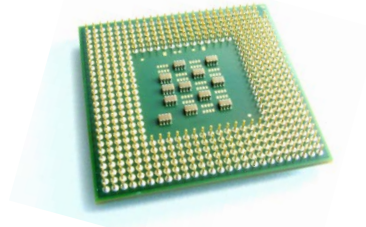
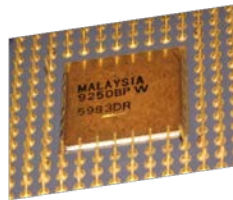


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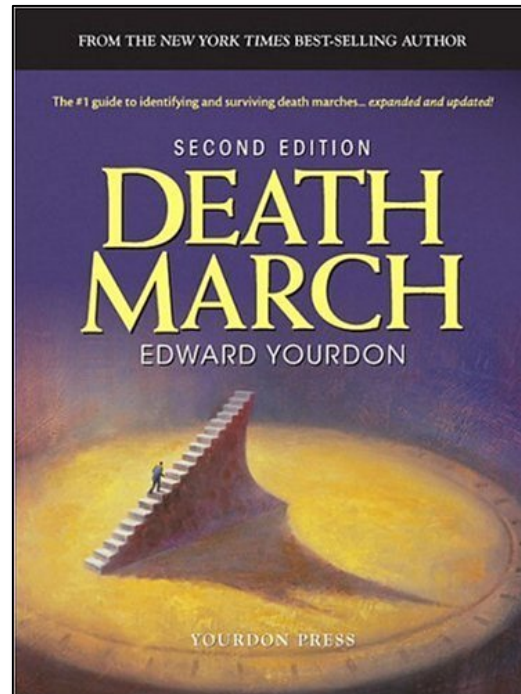
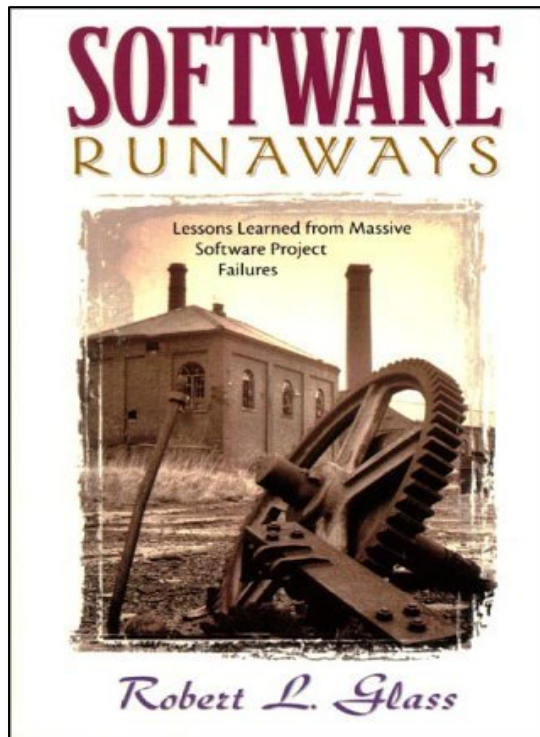
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- Extrapolating these trends another decade or so yields high-performance commoditized hardware infrastructure
 - Processors with 100's→1,000's of cores
 - ~100 Gigabits/sec LANs
 - ~100 Megabits/sec wireless
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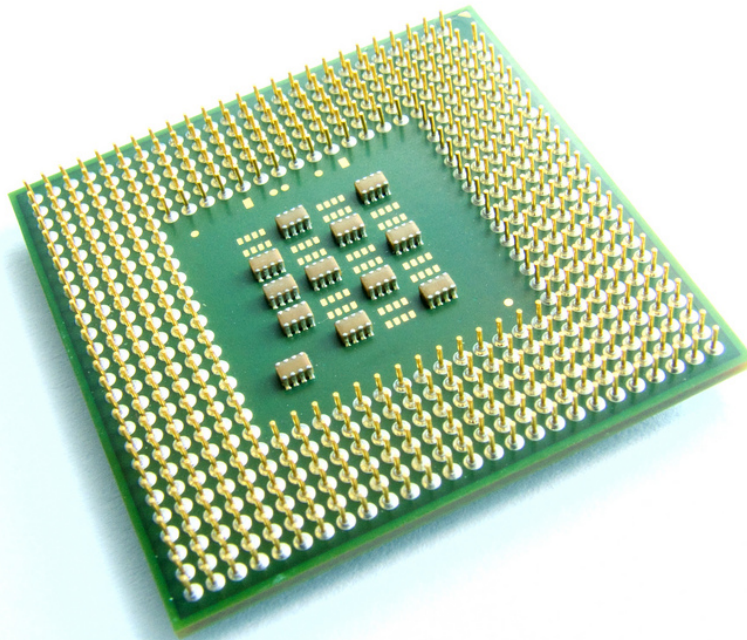
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Why Hardware Improves Consistently

Advances in hardware & networks stem largely from maturation of *standardized & reusable* interfaces, protocols, & modeling tools



x86 chipsets



TCP/IP switches

Why Software Fails to Improve as Consistently

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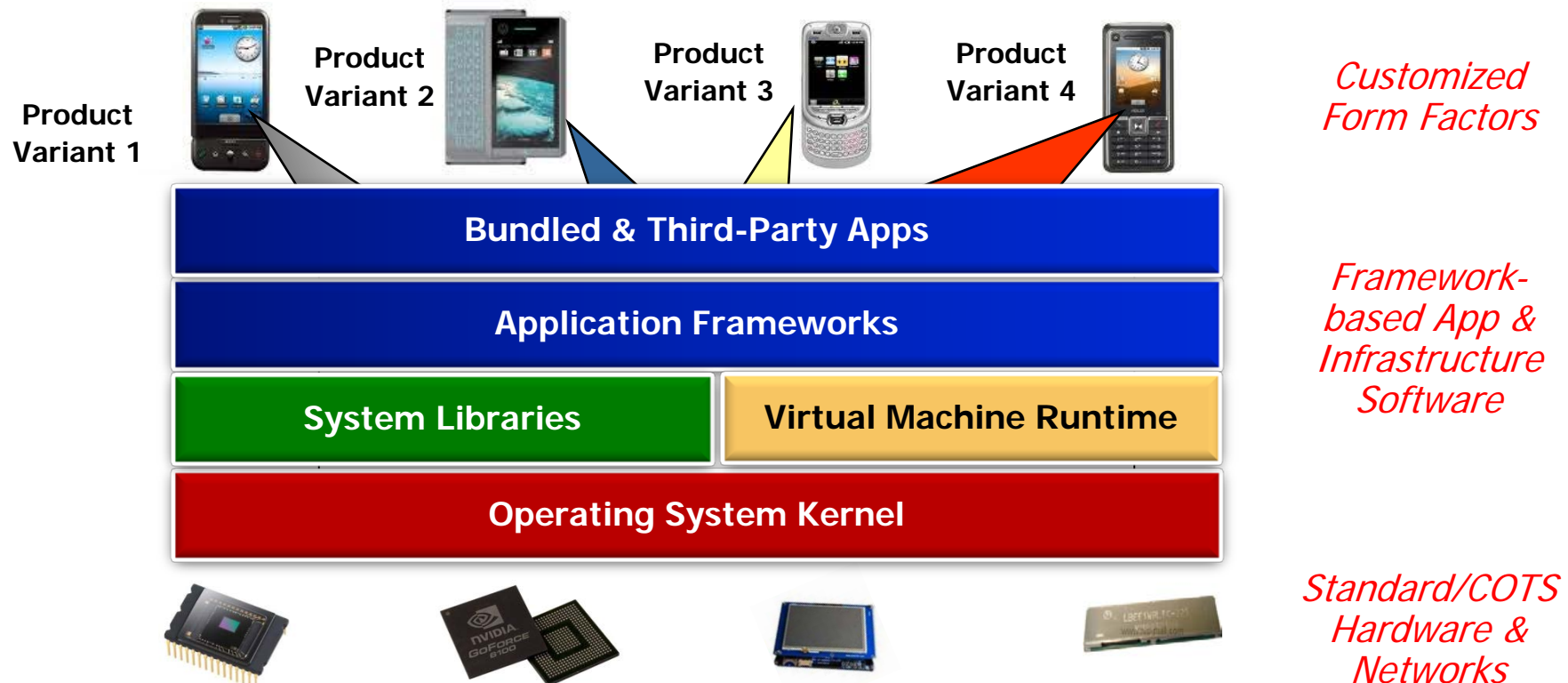
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Consequence: Small changes in software/hardware have a big (negative) impact on system quality & sustainability

A Solution: Software Frameworks

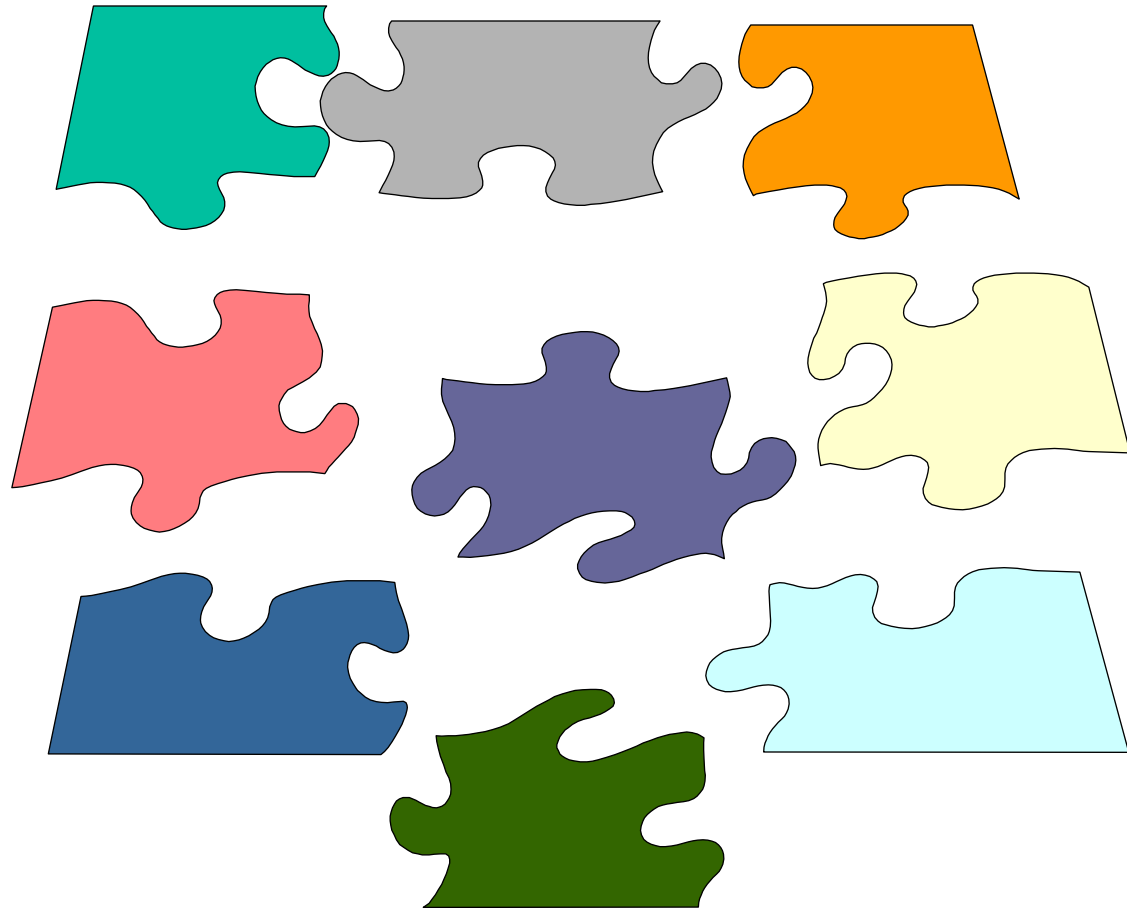
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- Frameworks promote “systematic reuse” by factoring out many general-purpose & domain-specific services from traditional application responsibility

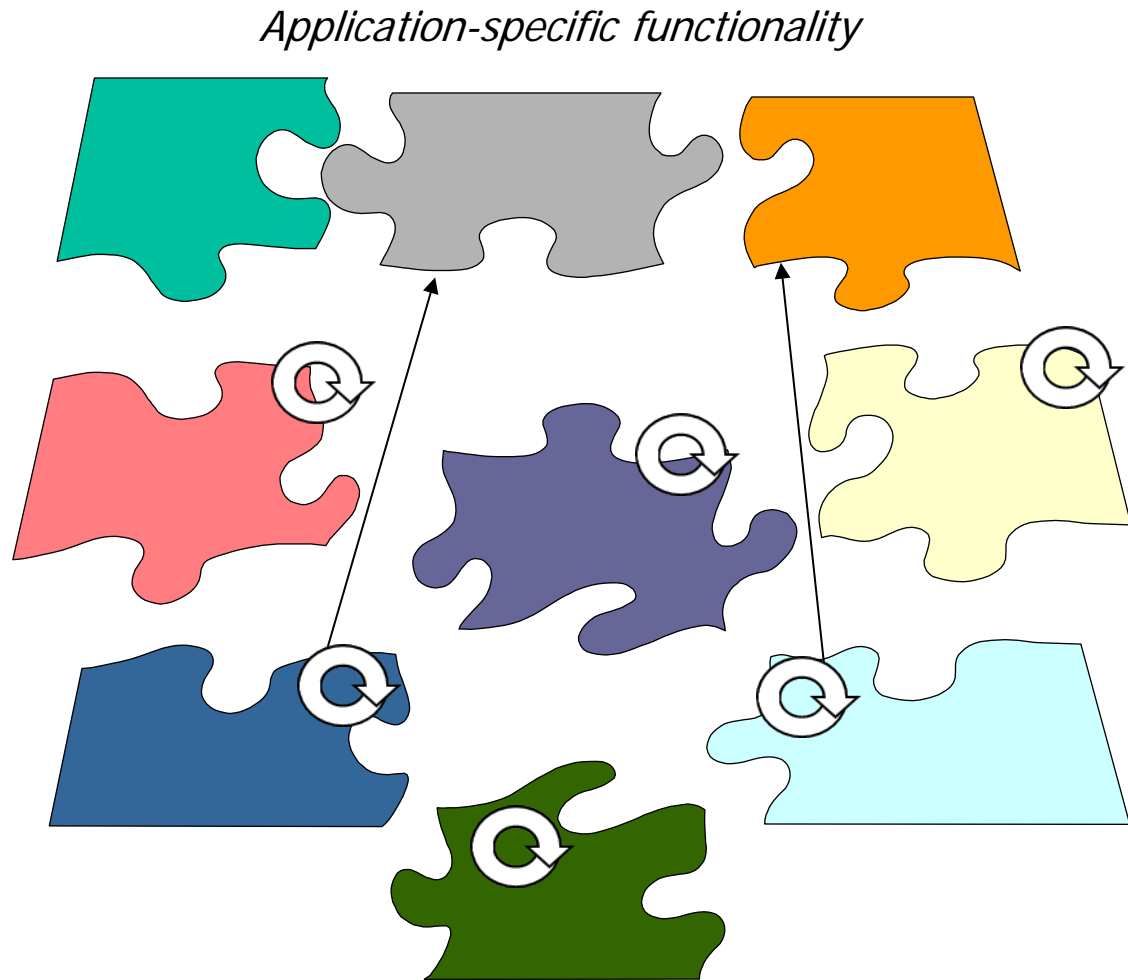
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Software frameworks exhibit several key characteristics that differentiate them from other forms of systematic reuse



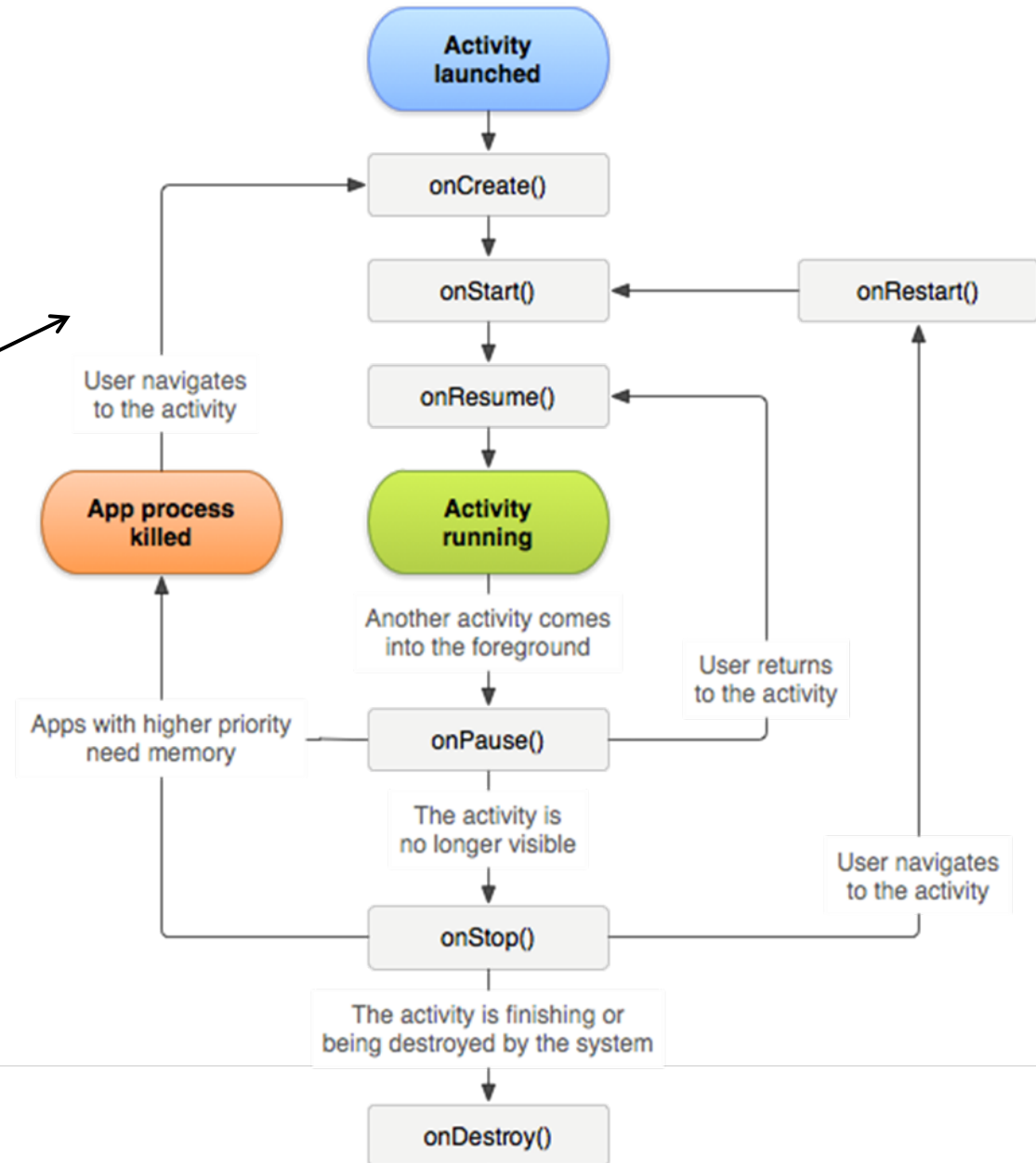
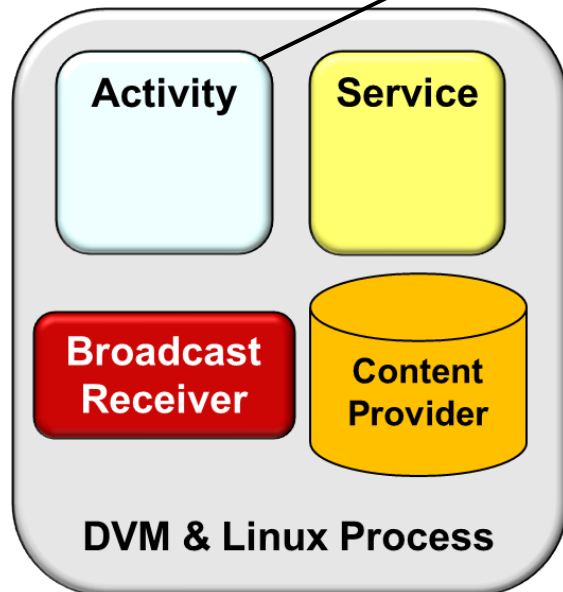
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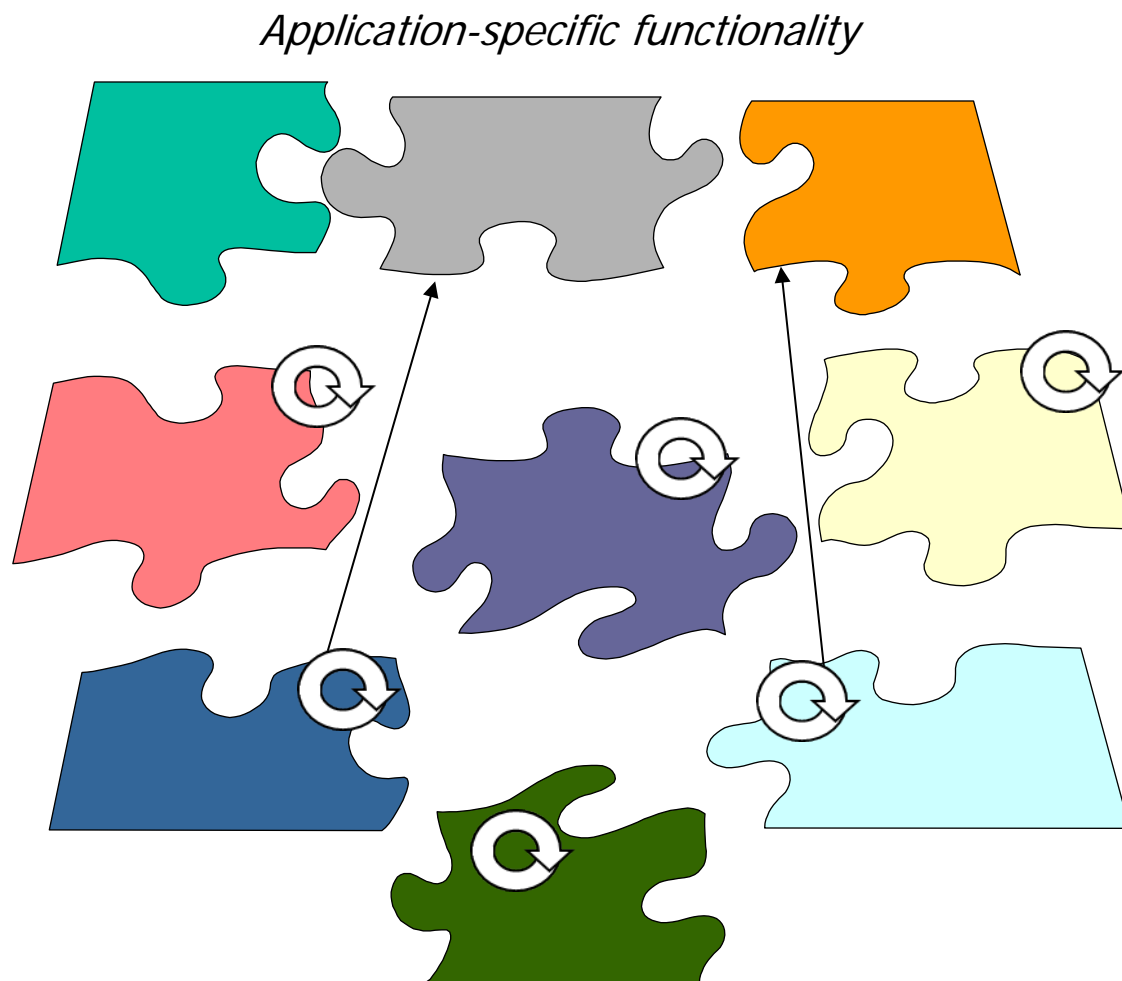
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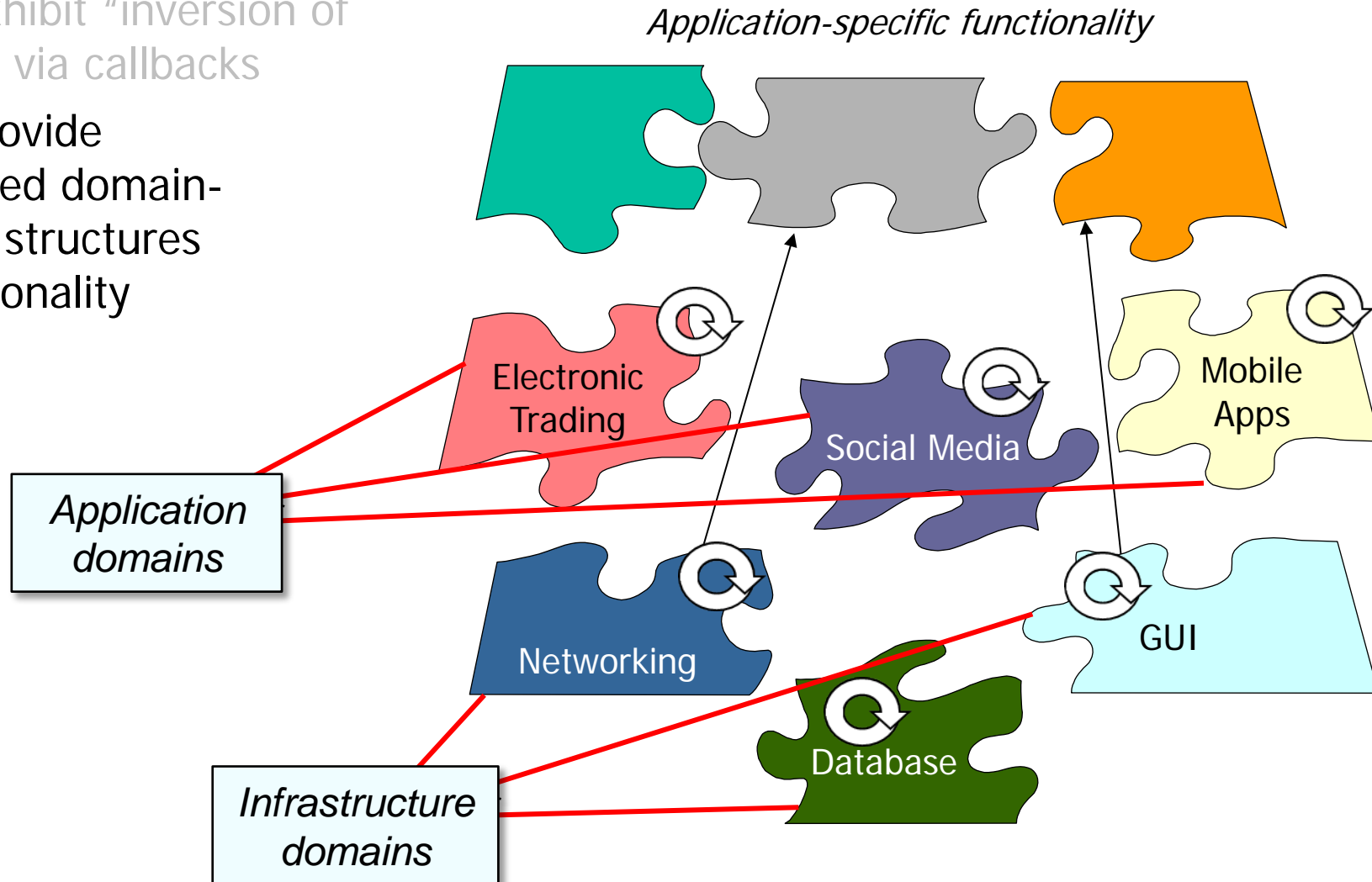
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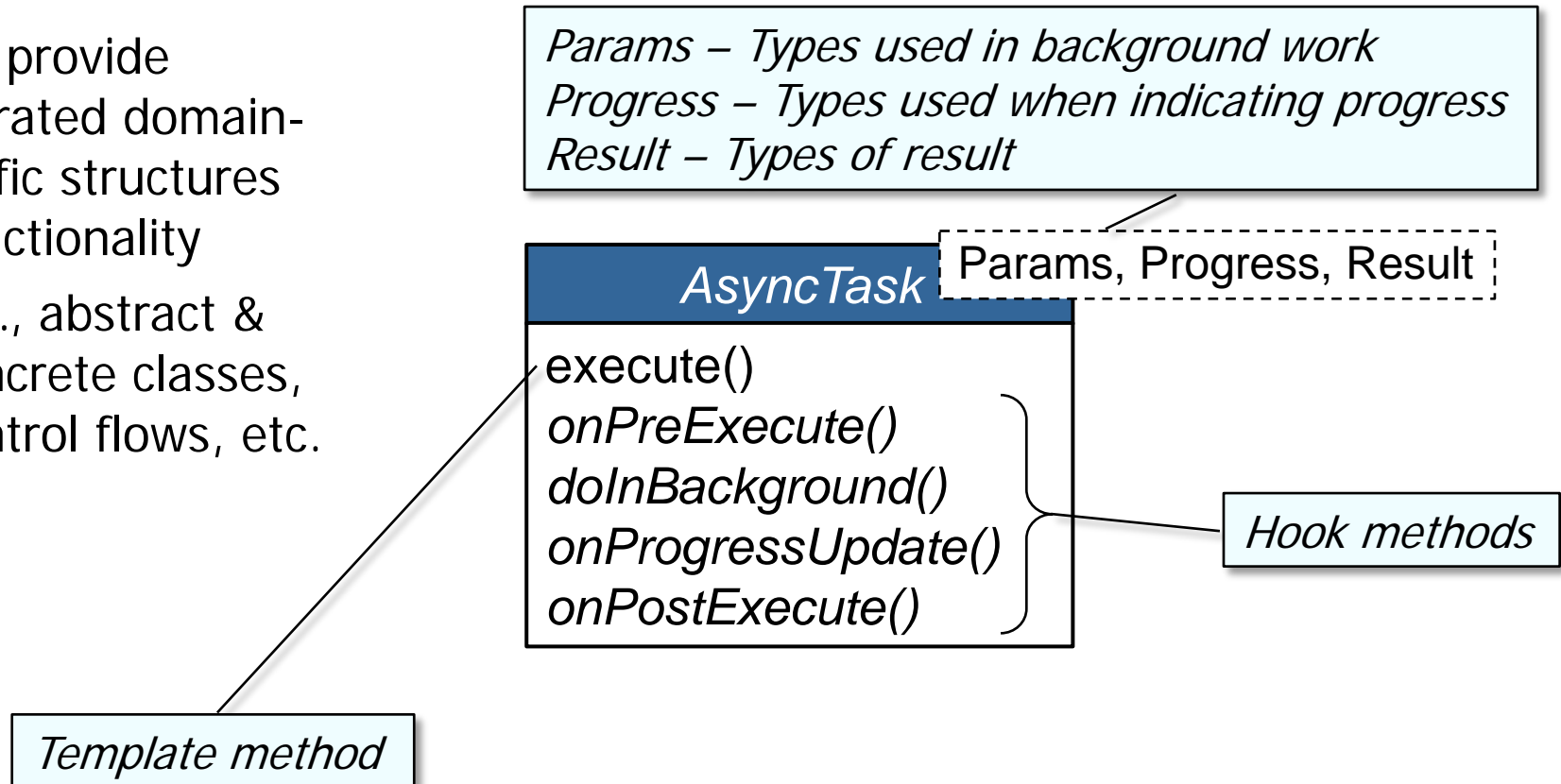
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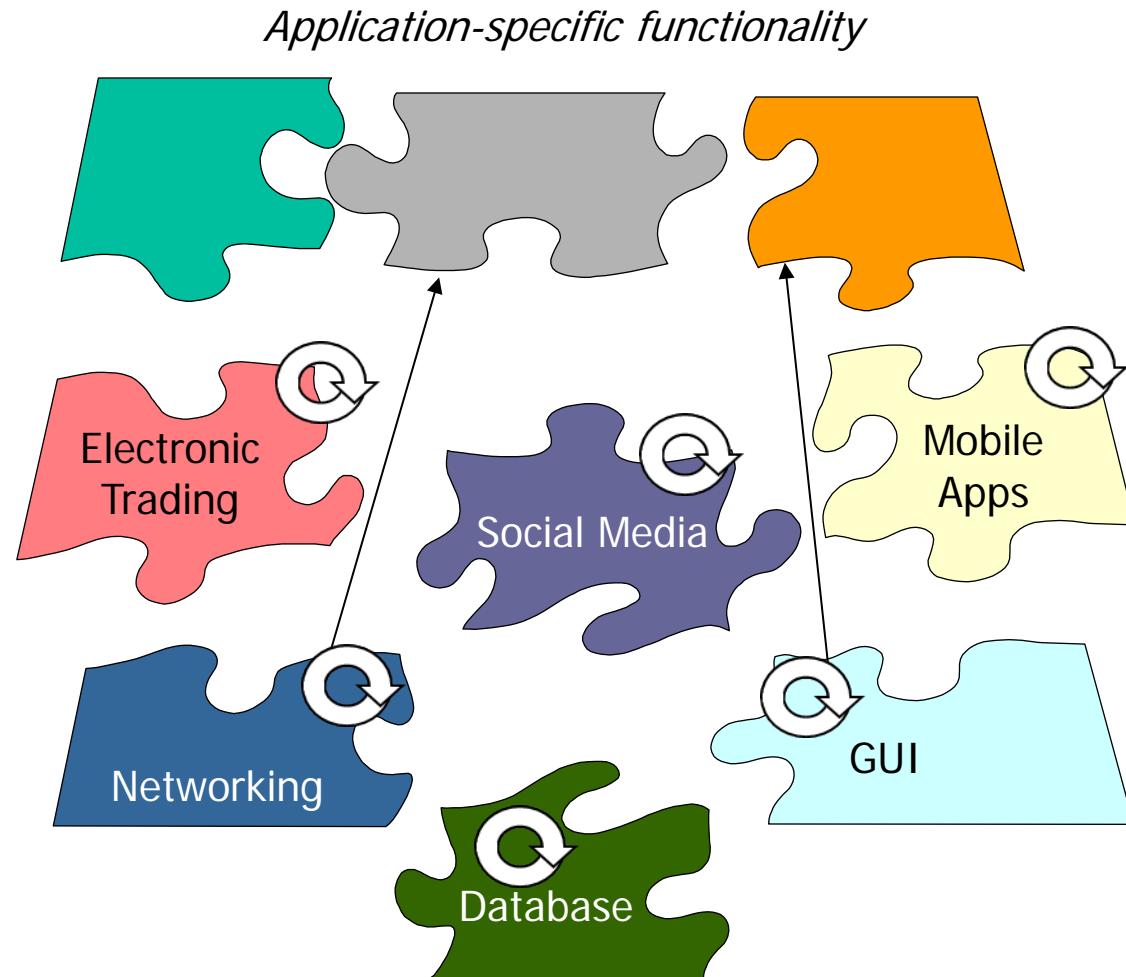
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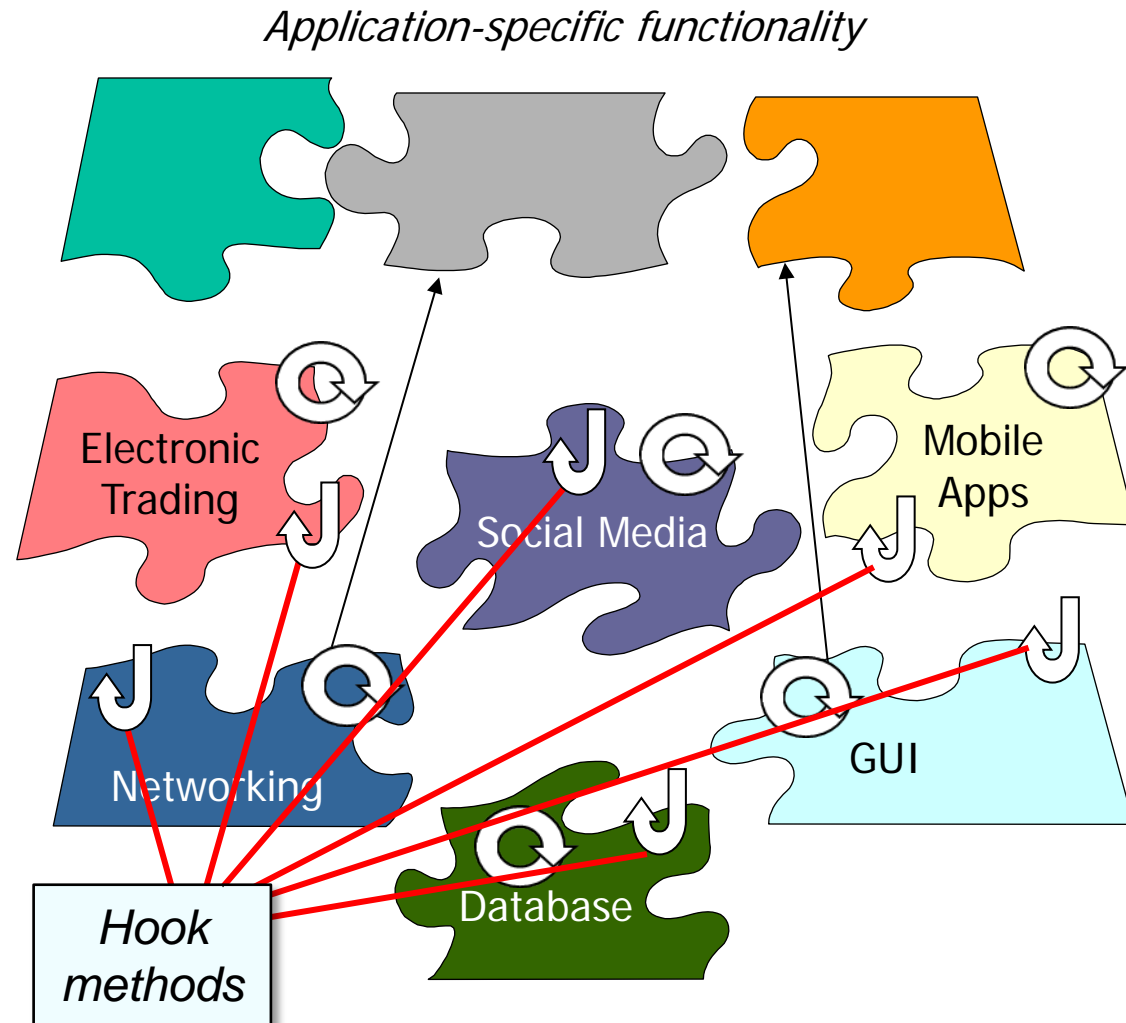
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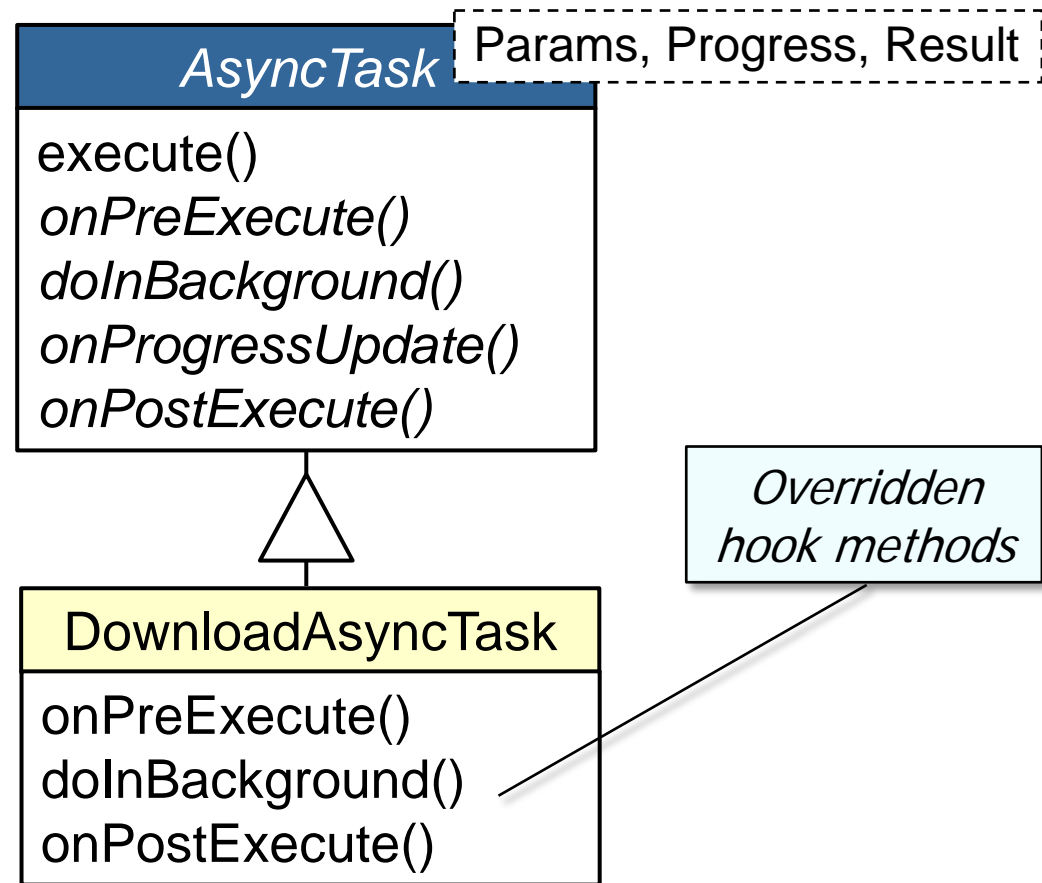
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 - Completing a framework involves instantiating objects & subclassing & overriding “hook methods”



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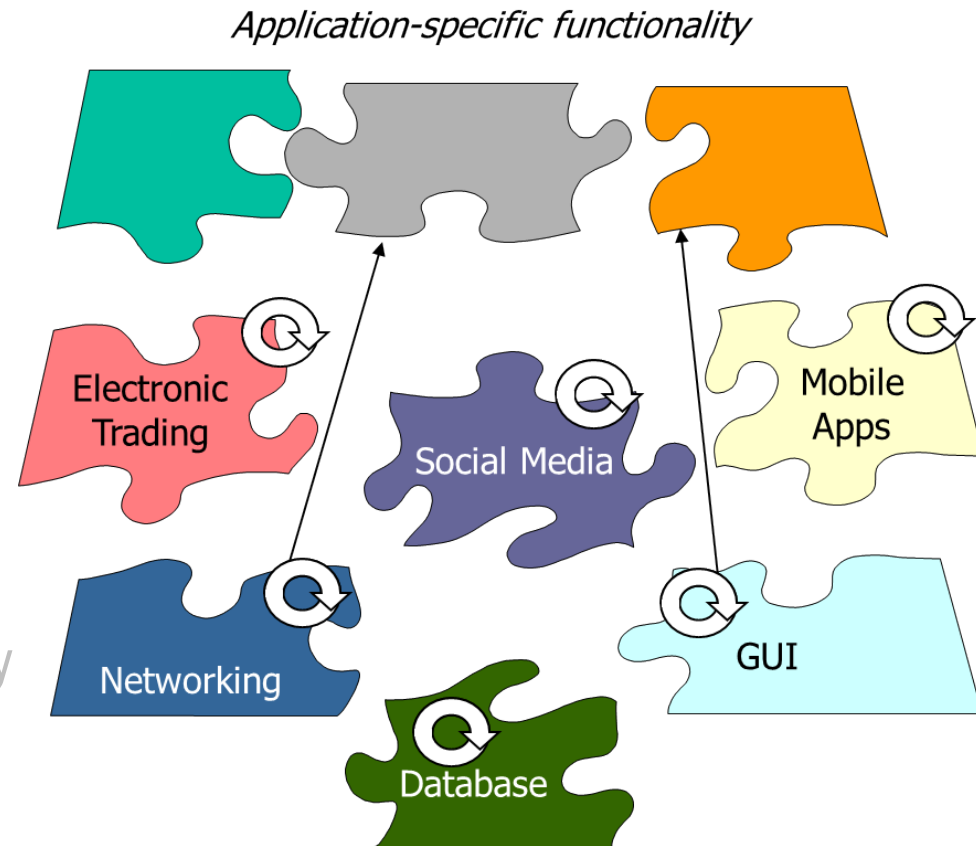
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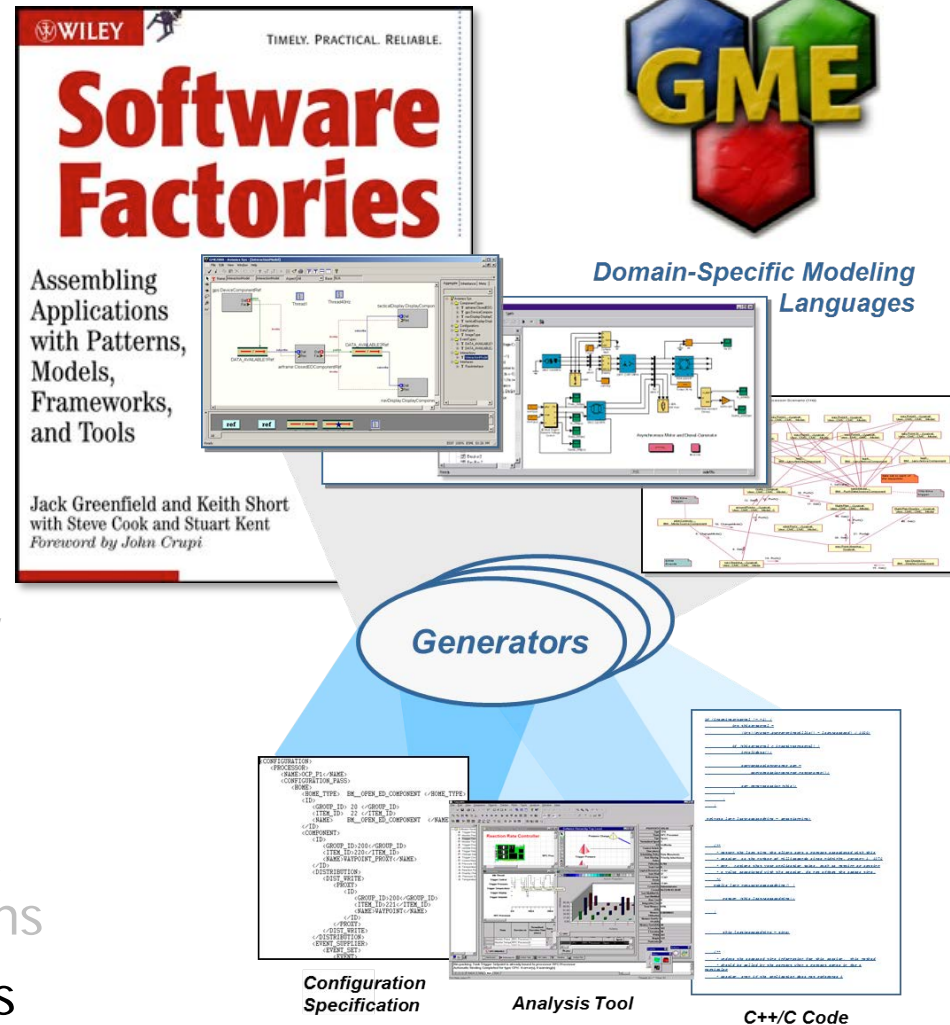
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We have a long way to go to match hardware engineers use of modeling tools

Overview of Frameworks: Part 2

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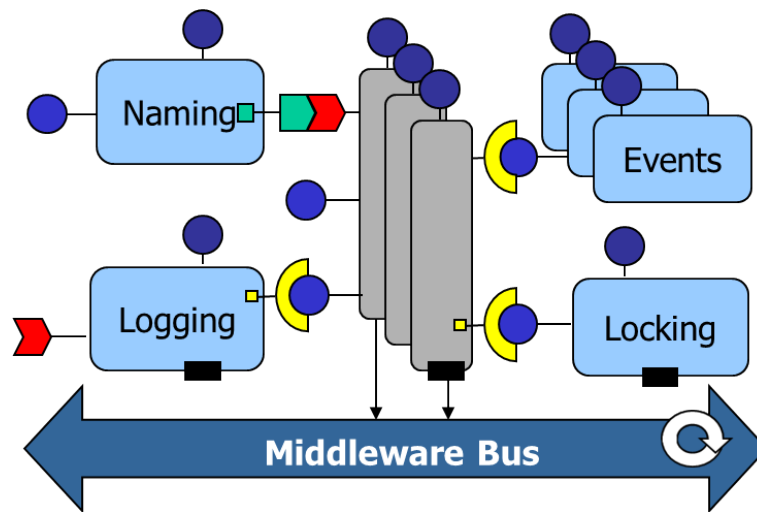
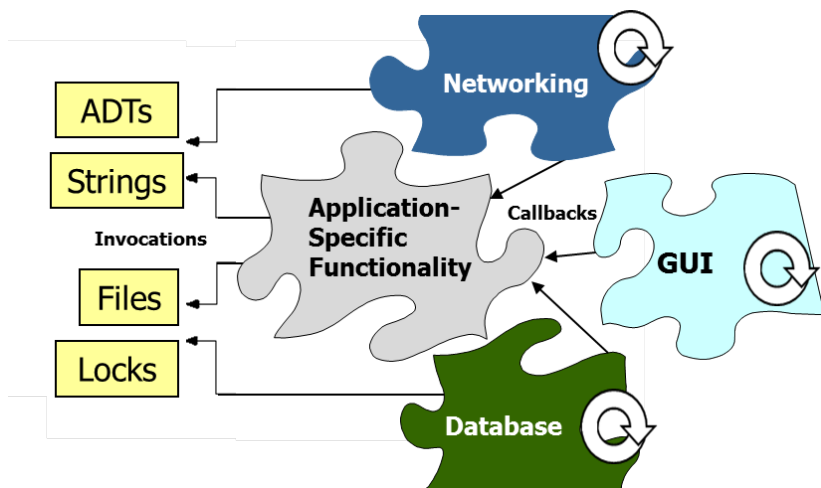
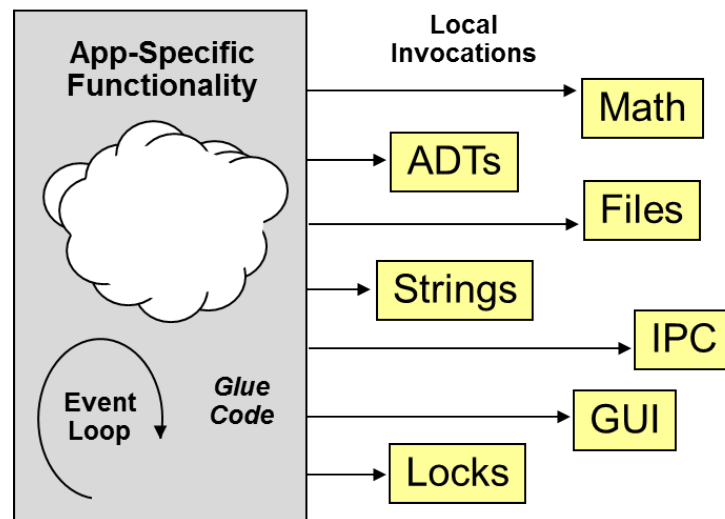
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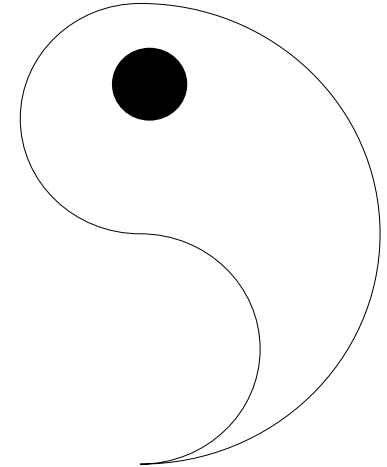
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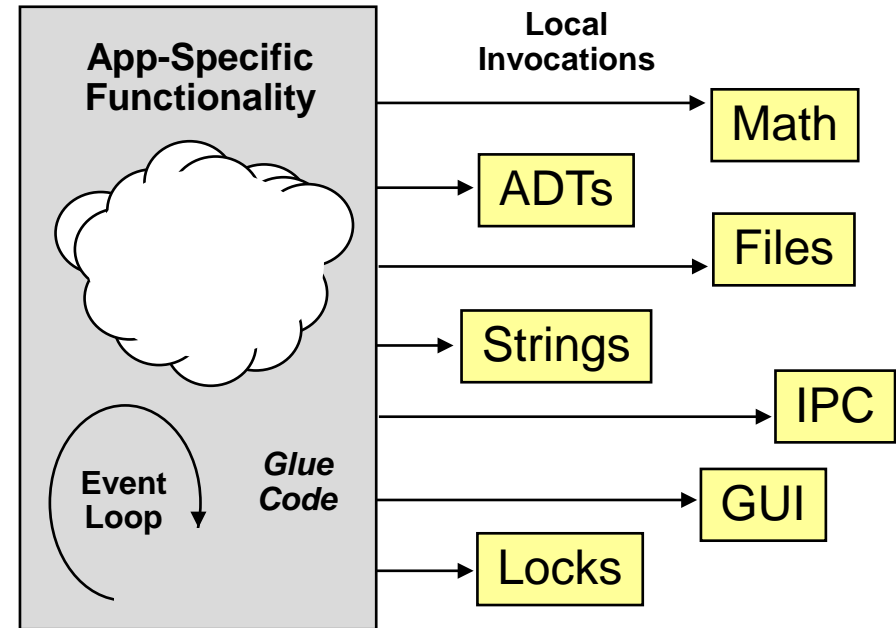


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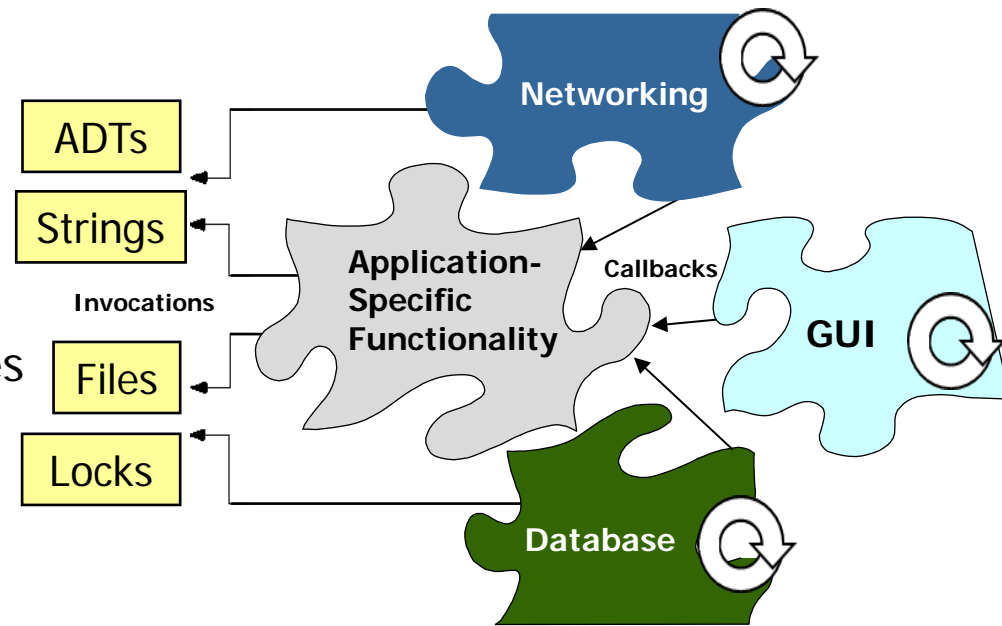
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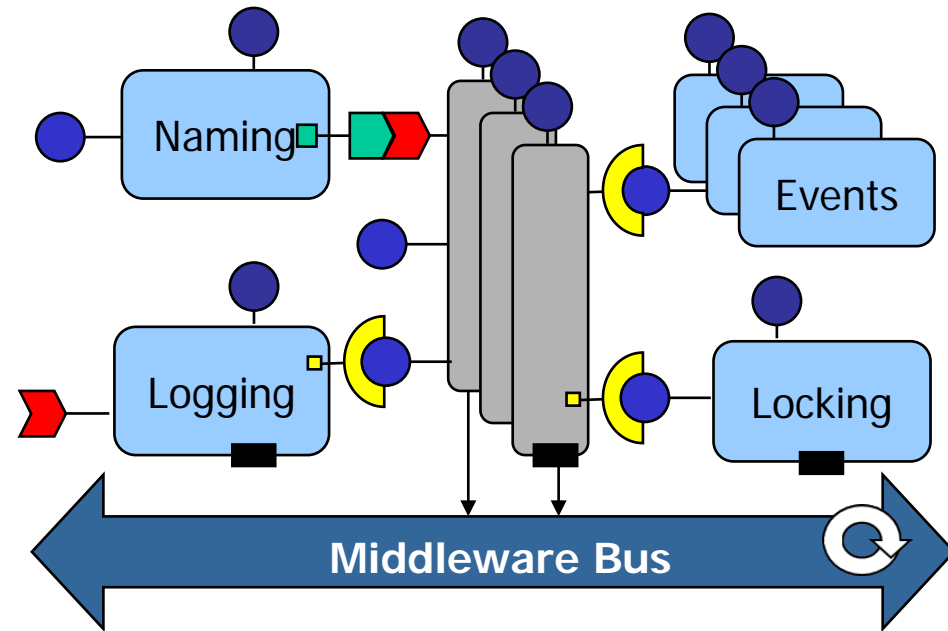
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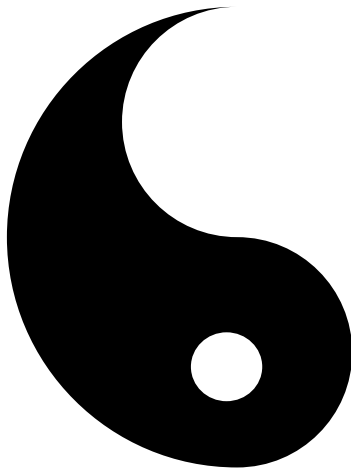
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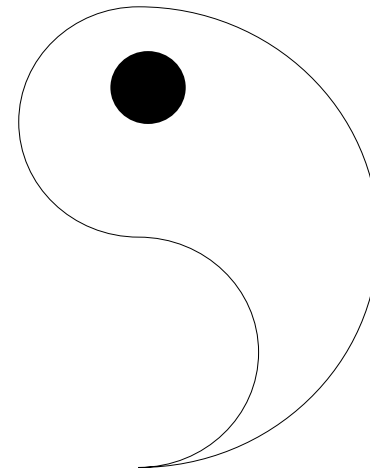
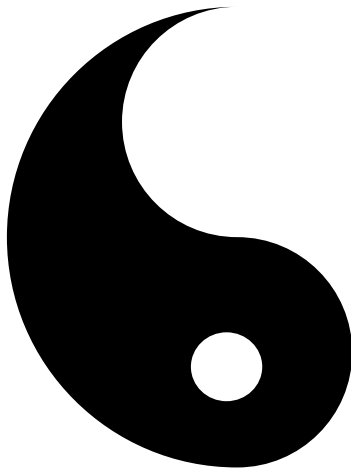
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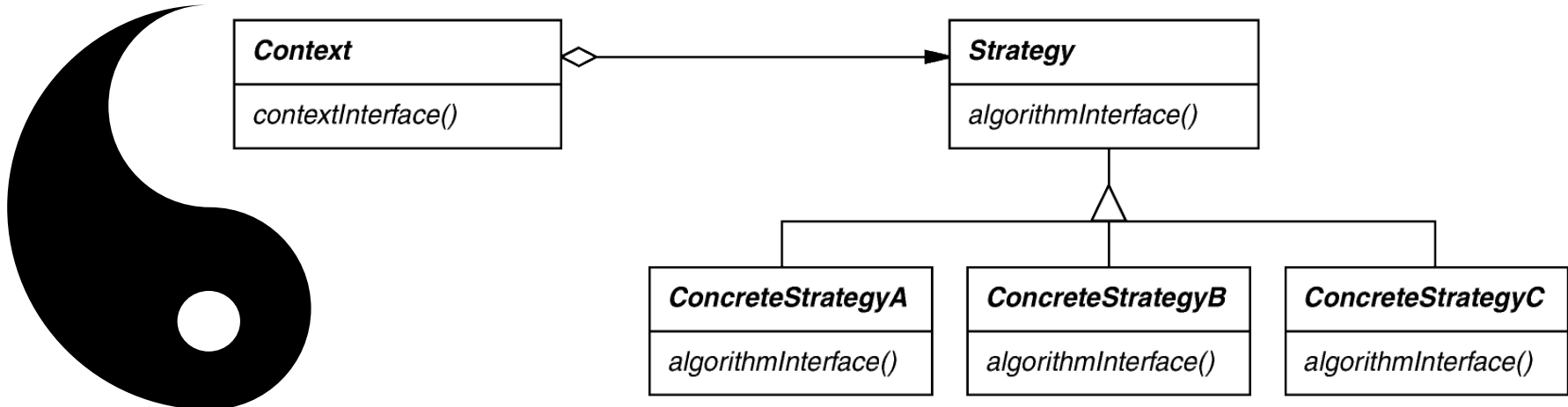
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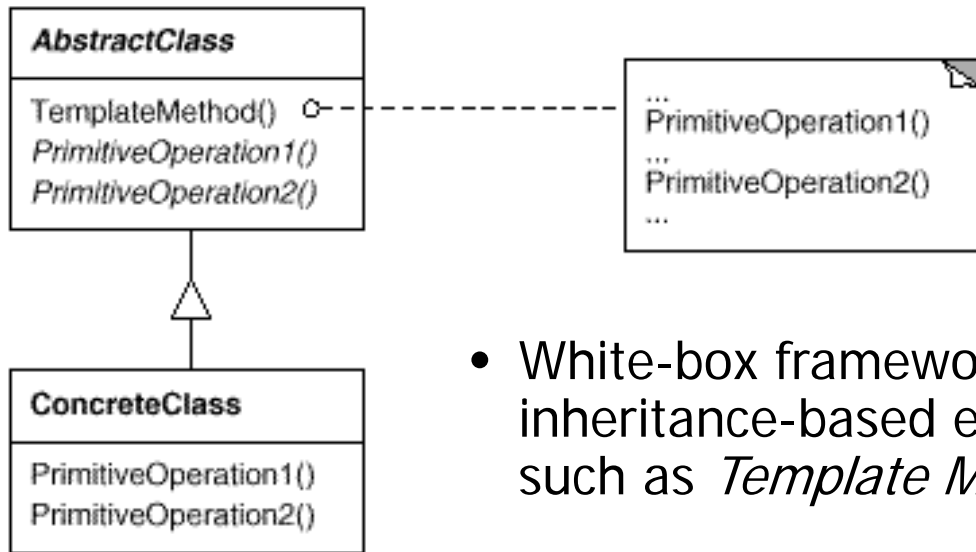
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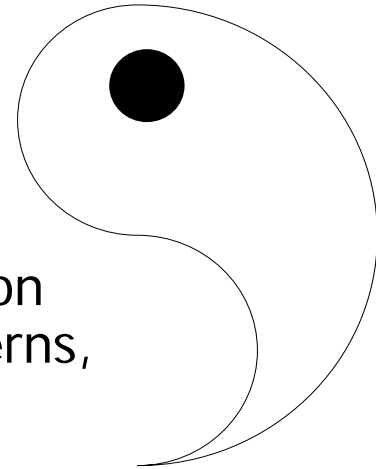
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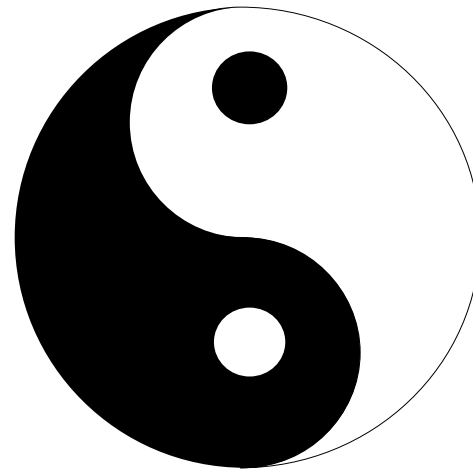


- White-box frameworks rely heavily on inheritance-based extensibility patterns, such as *Template Method* & *State*



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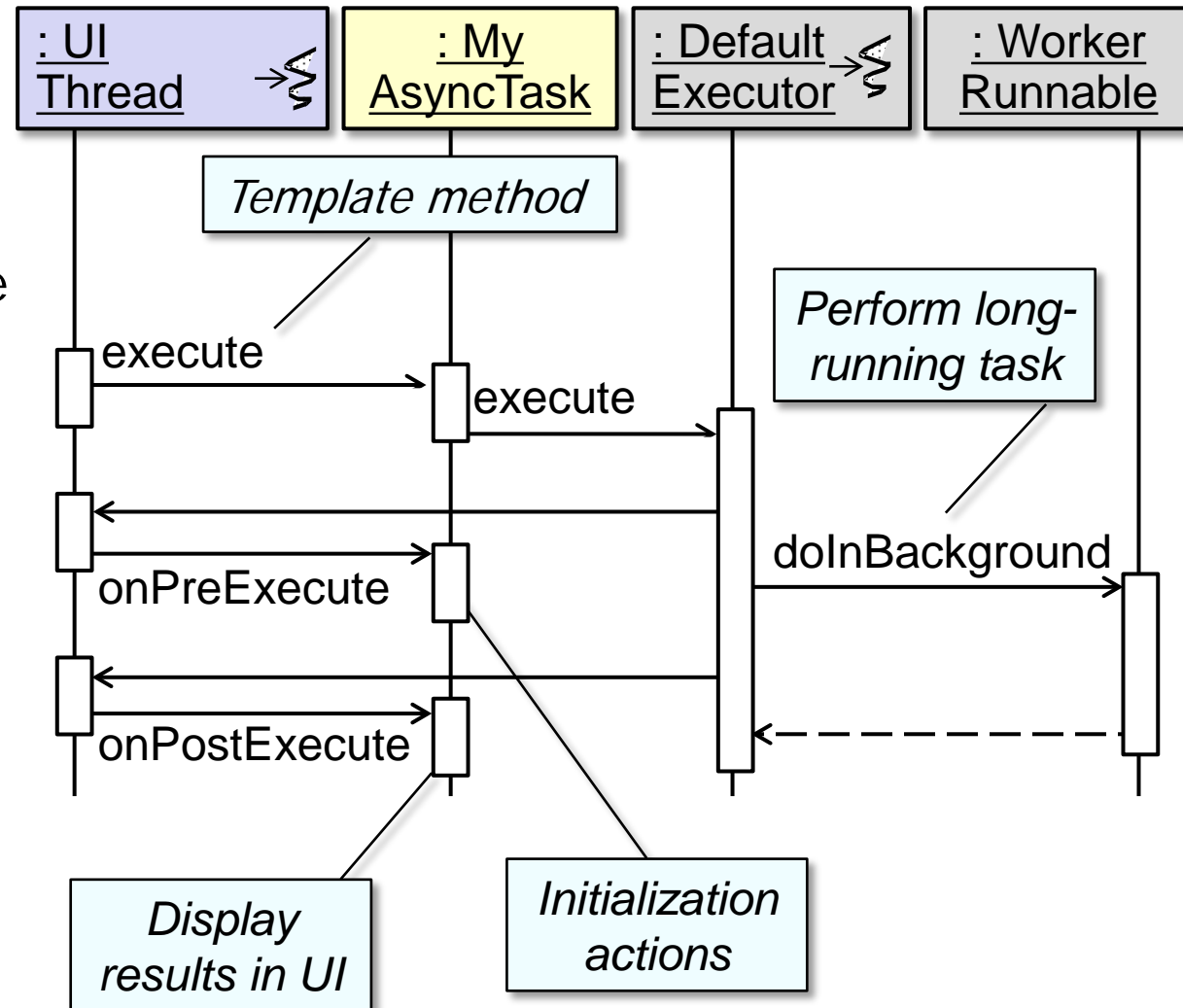
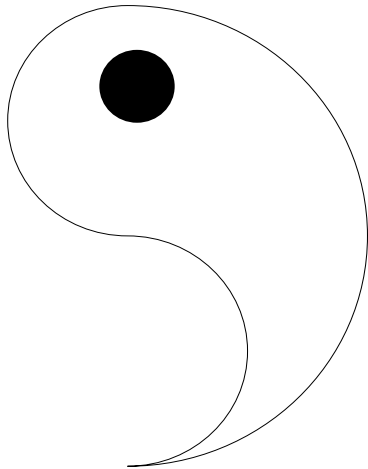
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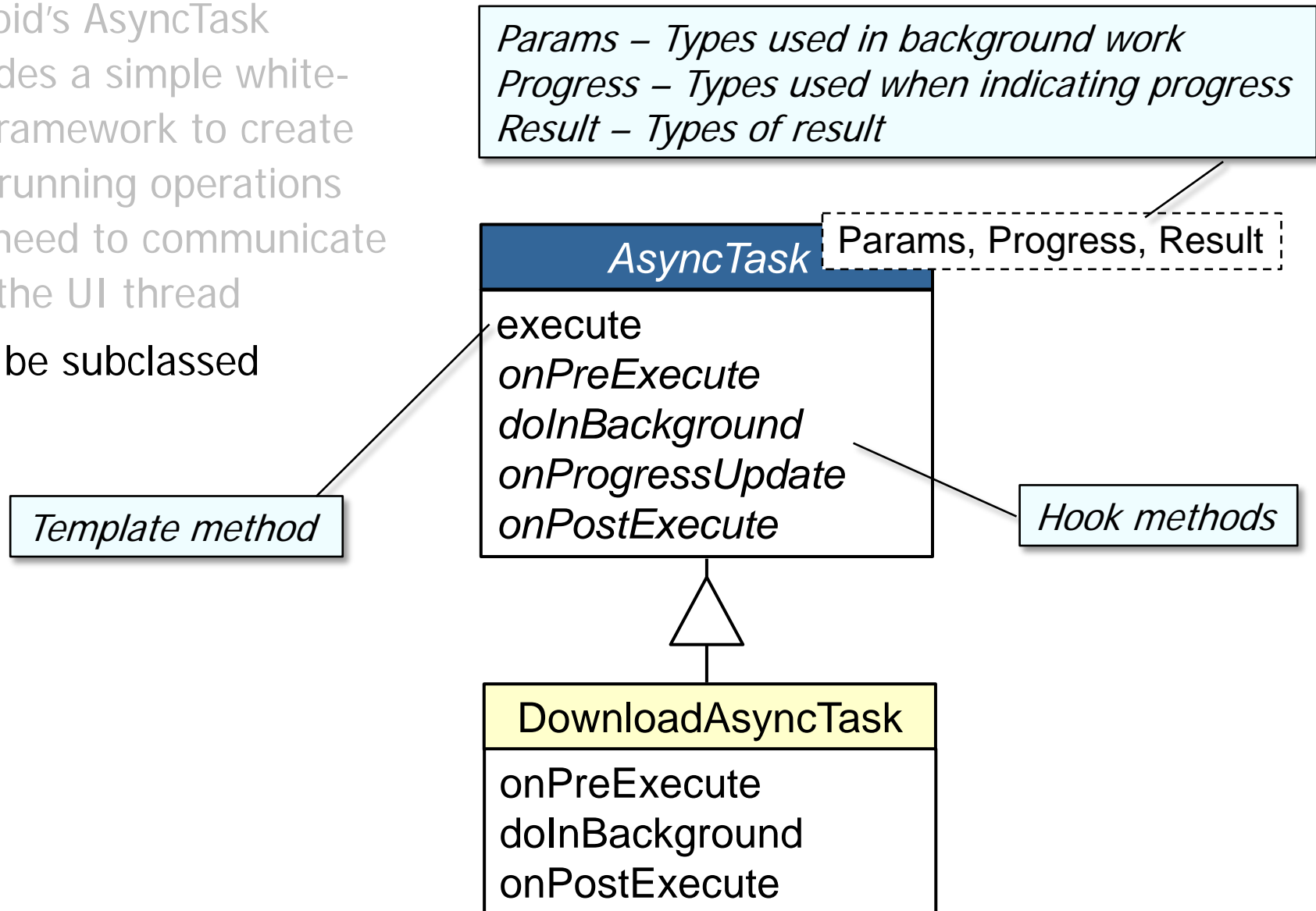
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class DownloadAsyncTask
    extends AsyncTask<String, Integer, Bitmap> {

    protected void onPreExecute() {
        dialog.display();  Perform on UI thread
    }

    protected Bitmap doInBackground(String... url) {
        return downloadImage(url[0]);
    }  Download in background thread

    protected void onPostExecute(Bitmap bitmap) {
        performPostDownloadOperations(bitmap);
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**Perform on
UI thread**




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- Instance must be created on the UI thread & can only be executed once

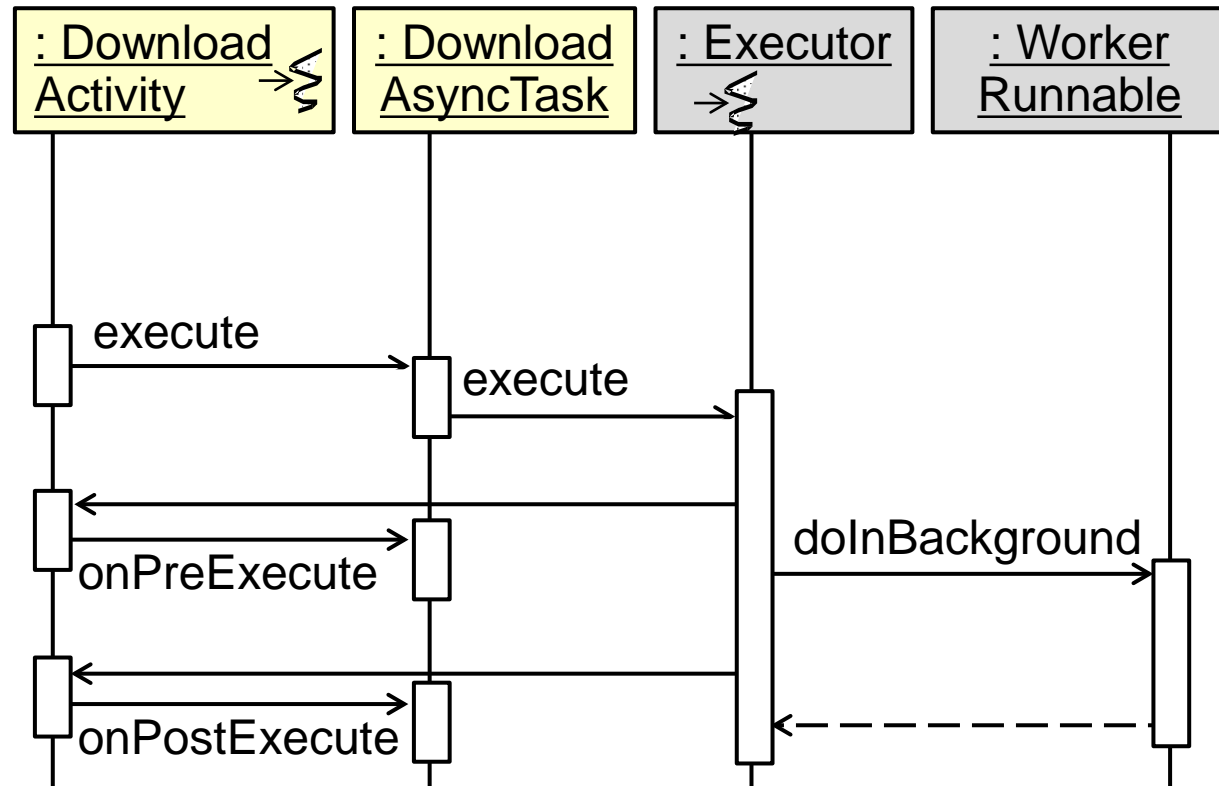
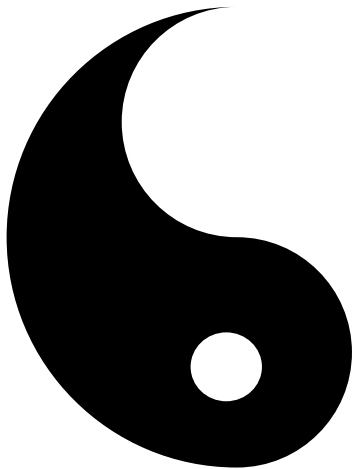
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public class ThreadedDownloadActivity
    extends Activity {
    ...
    public void runAsyncTask(View view) {
        final String url =
            urlEditText.getText().toString();

        new DownloadAsyncTask().execute(url);
    }
    ...
}
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UI thread calls template method to trigger image download in a new AsyncTask 

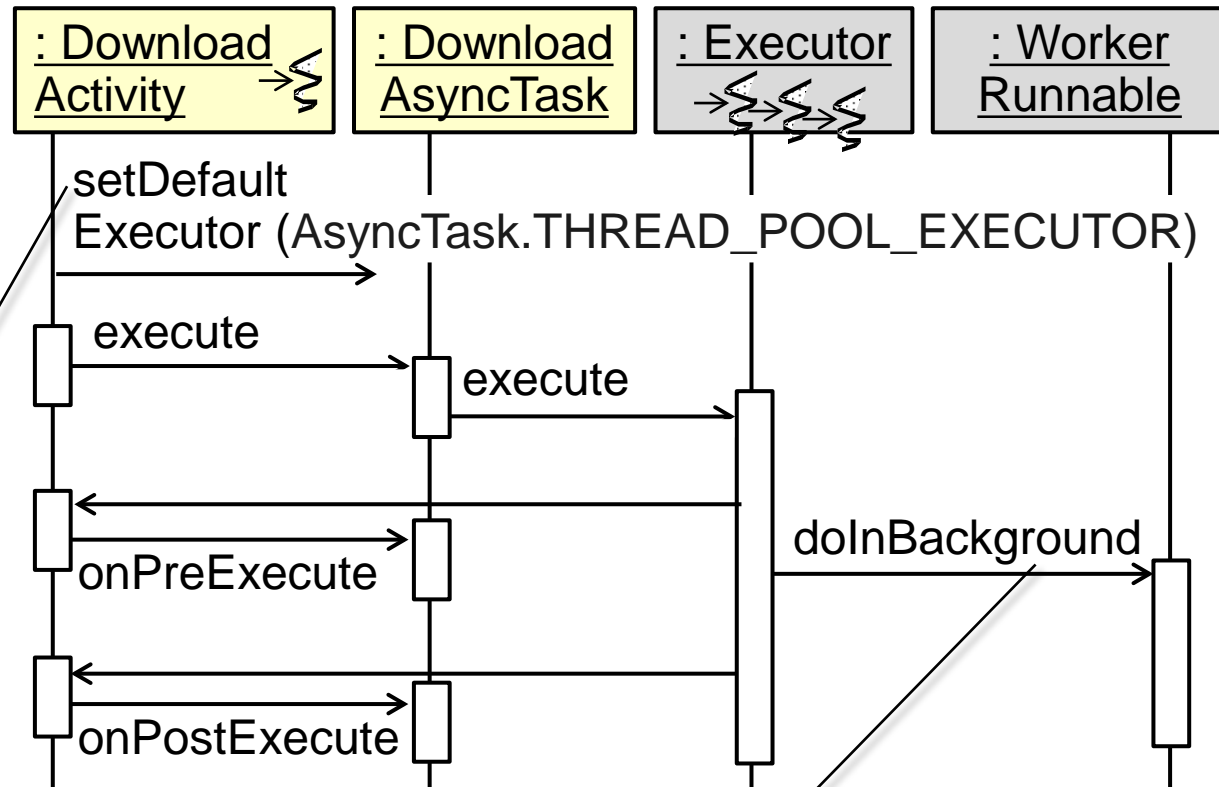
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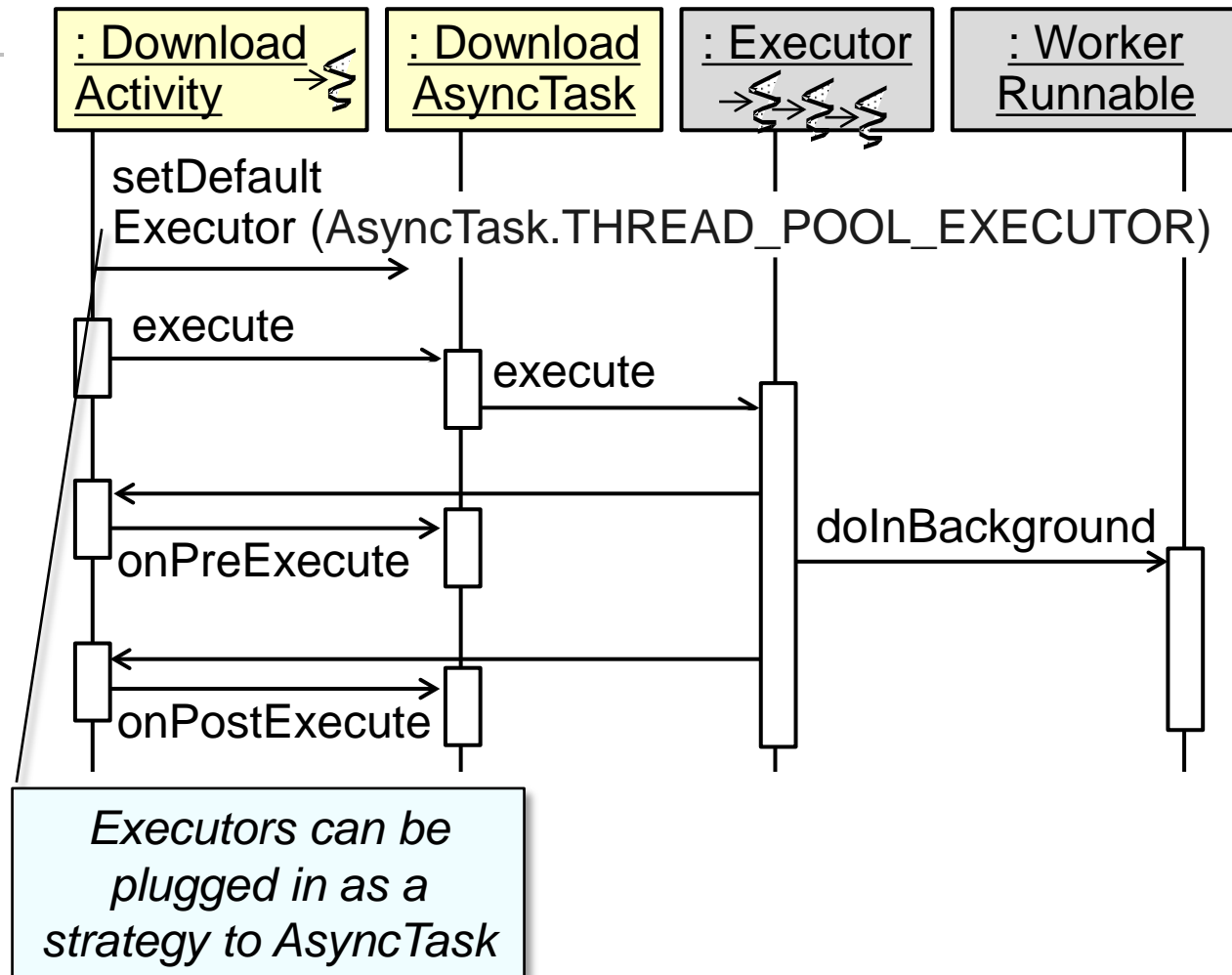


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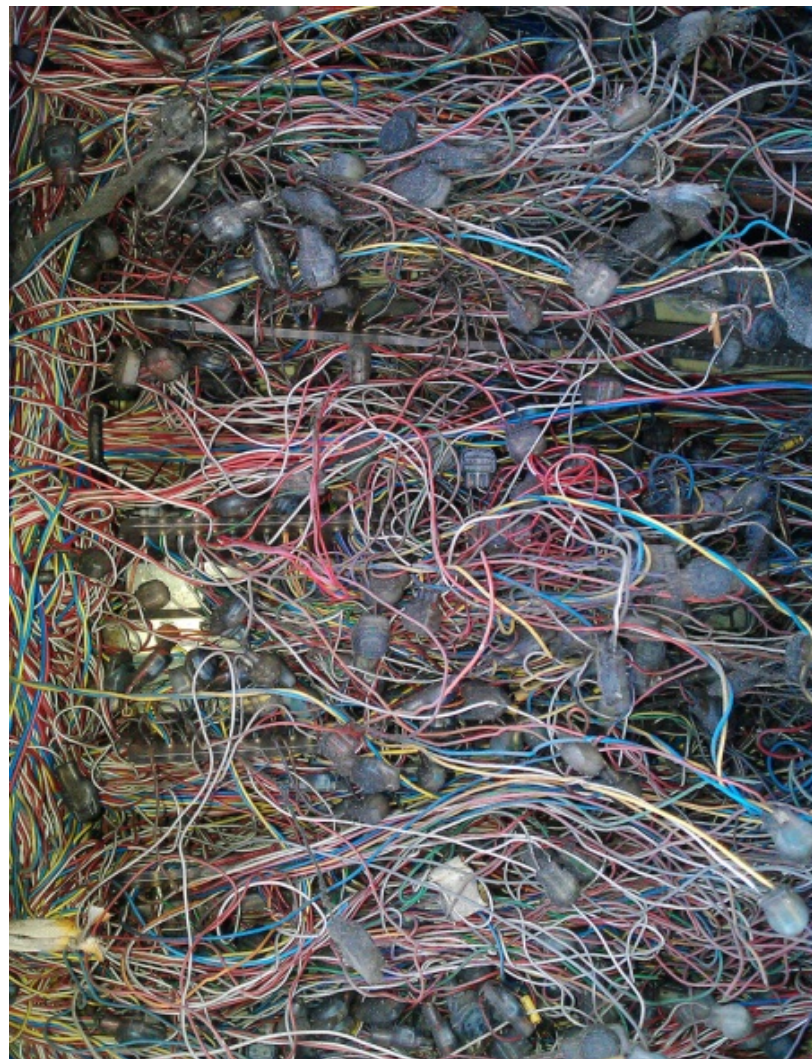
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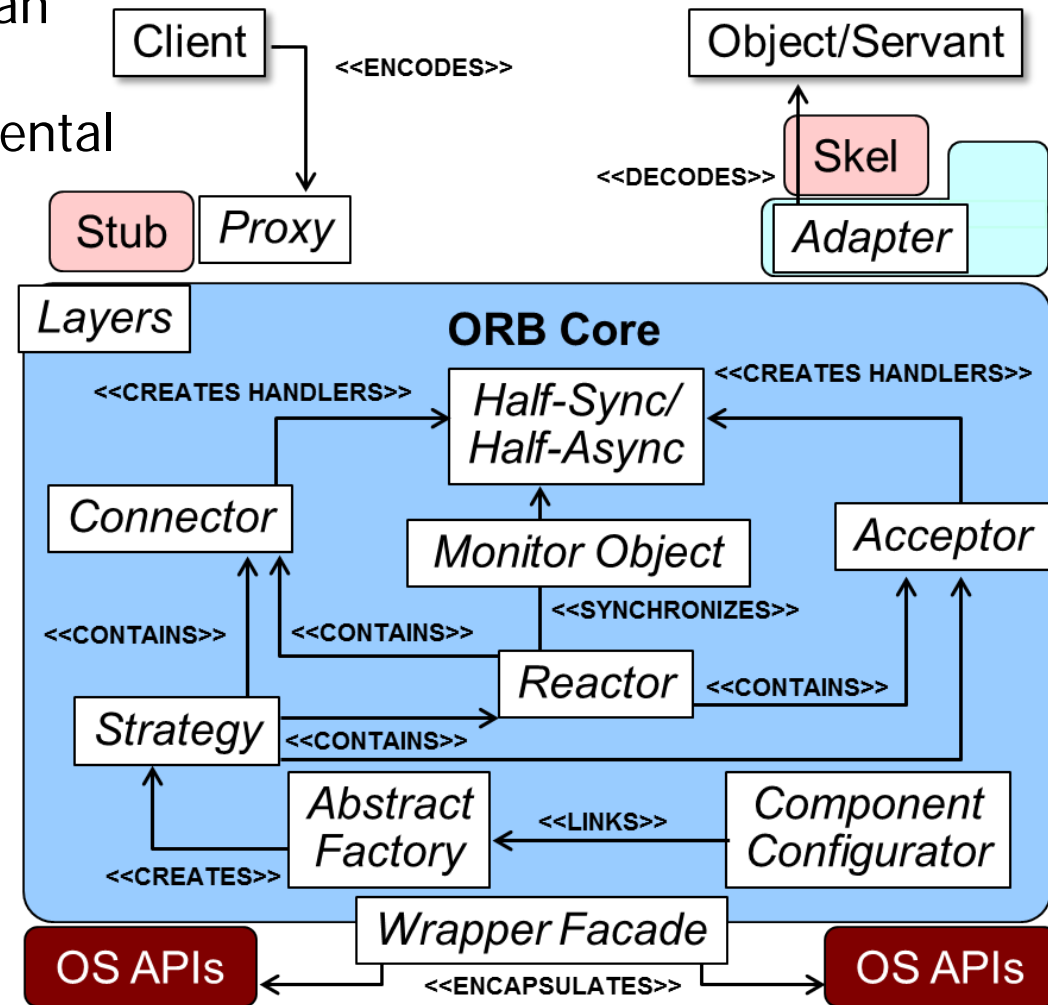
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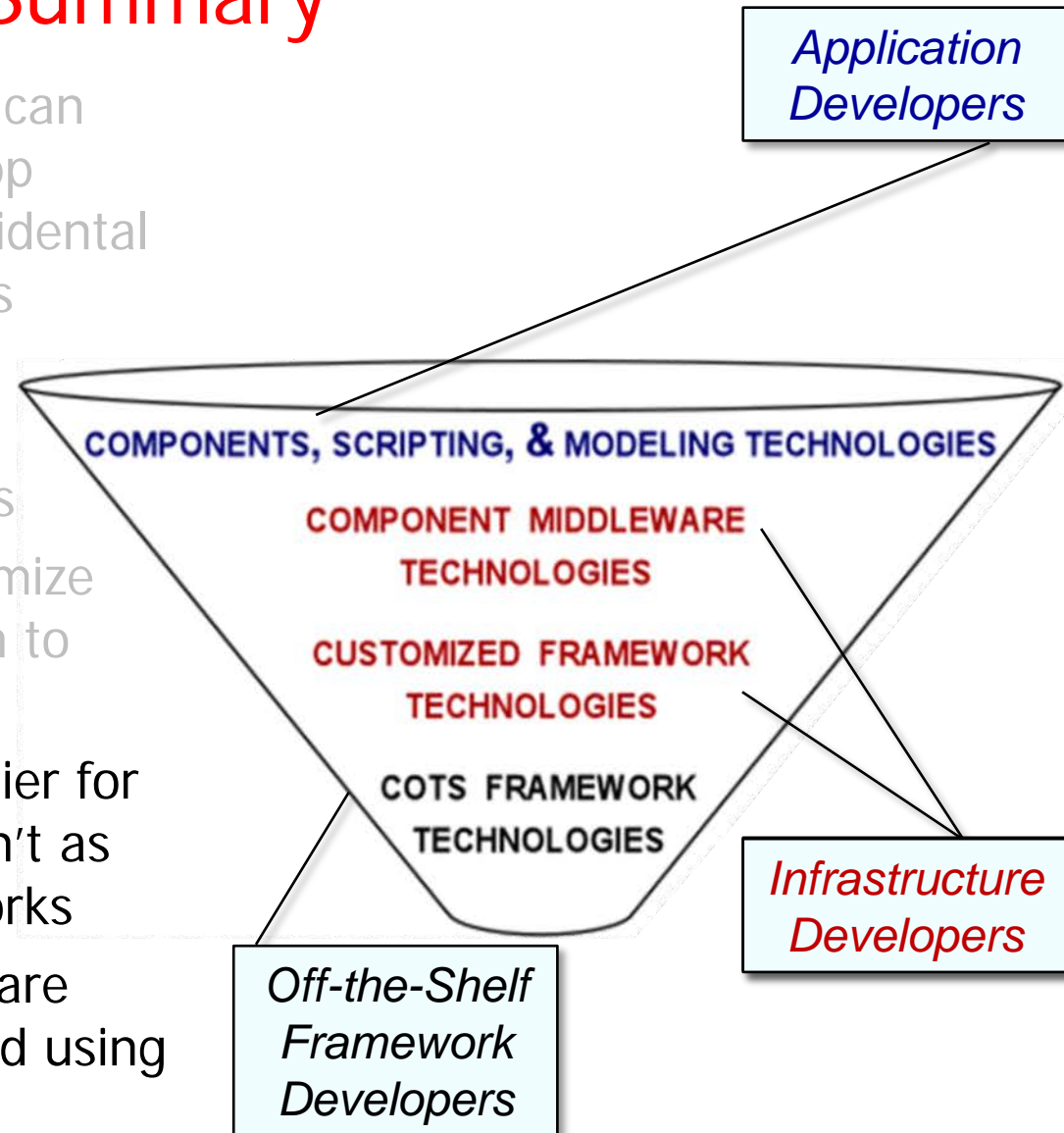
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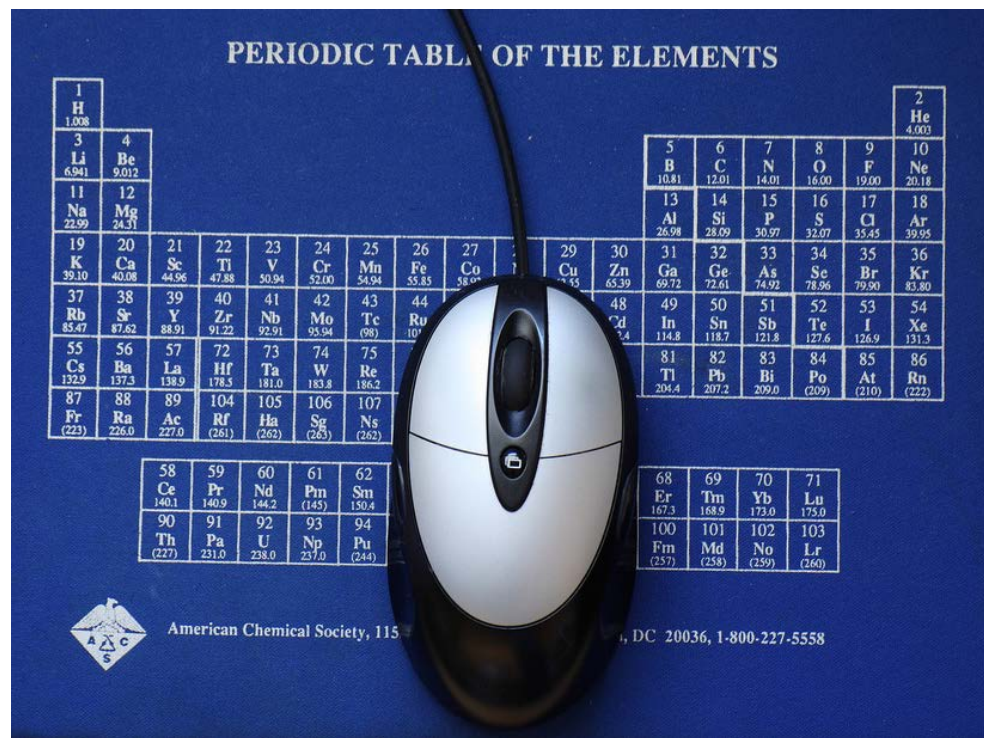
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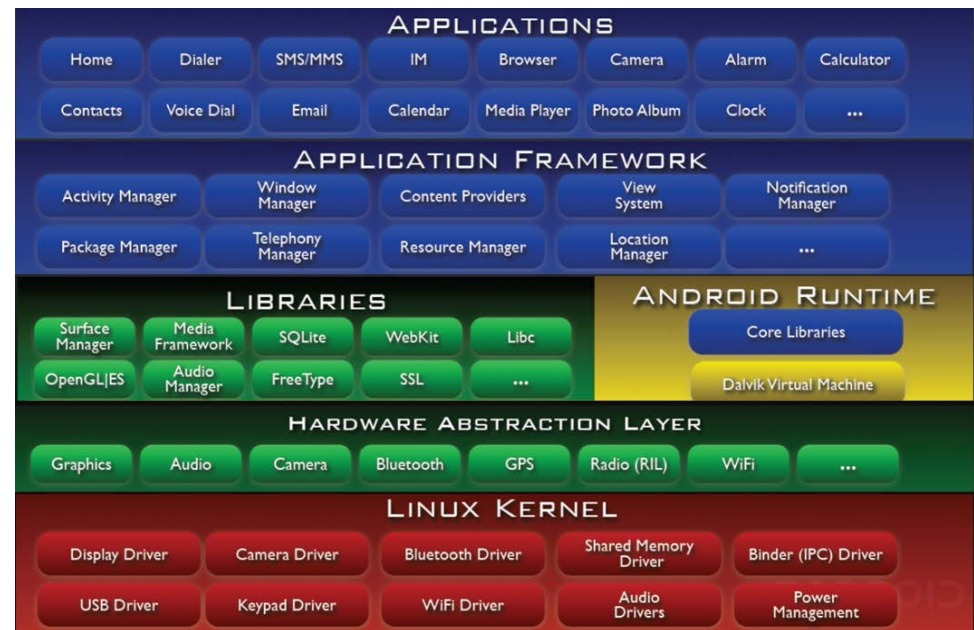
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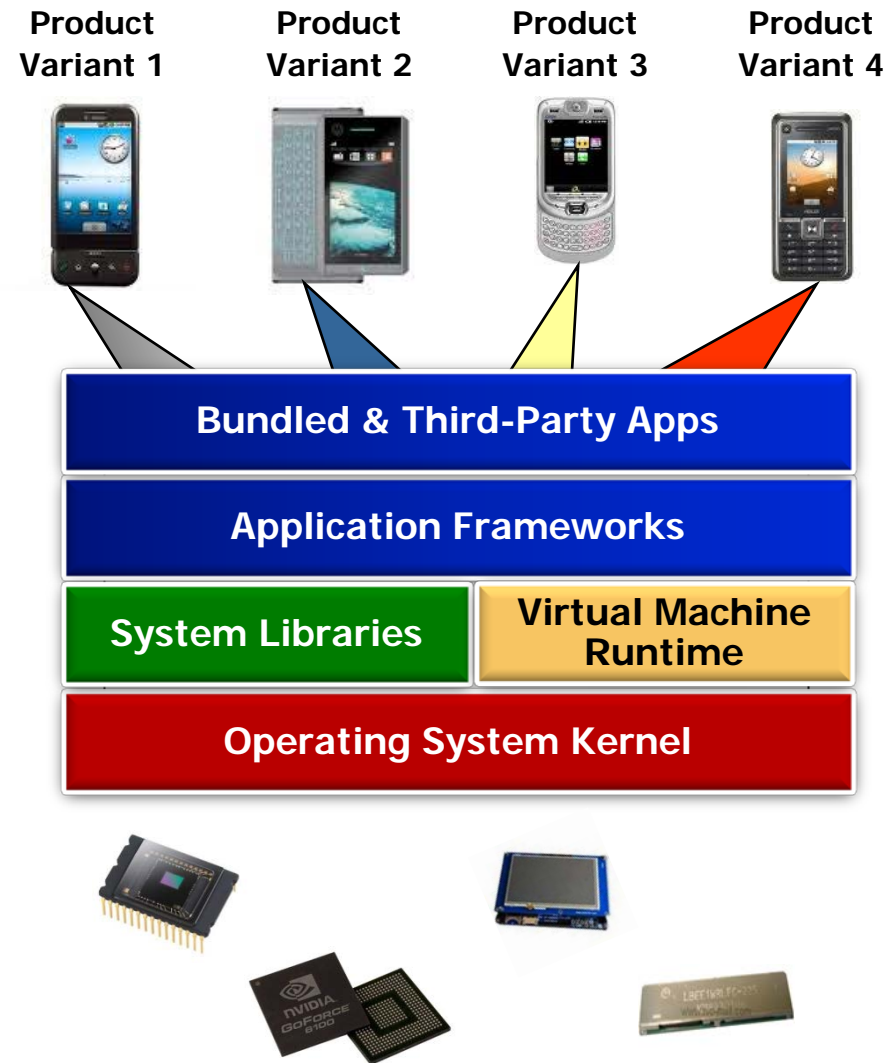
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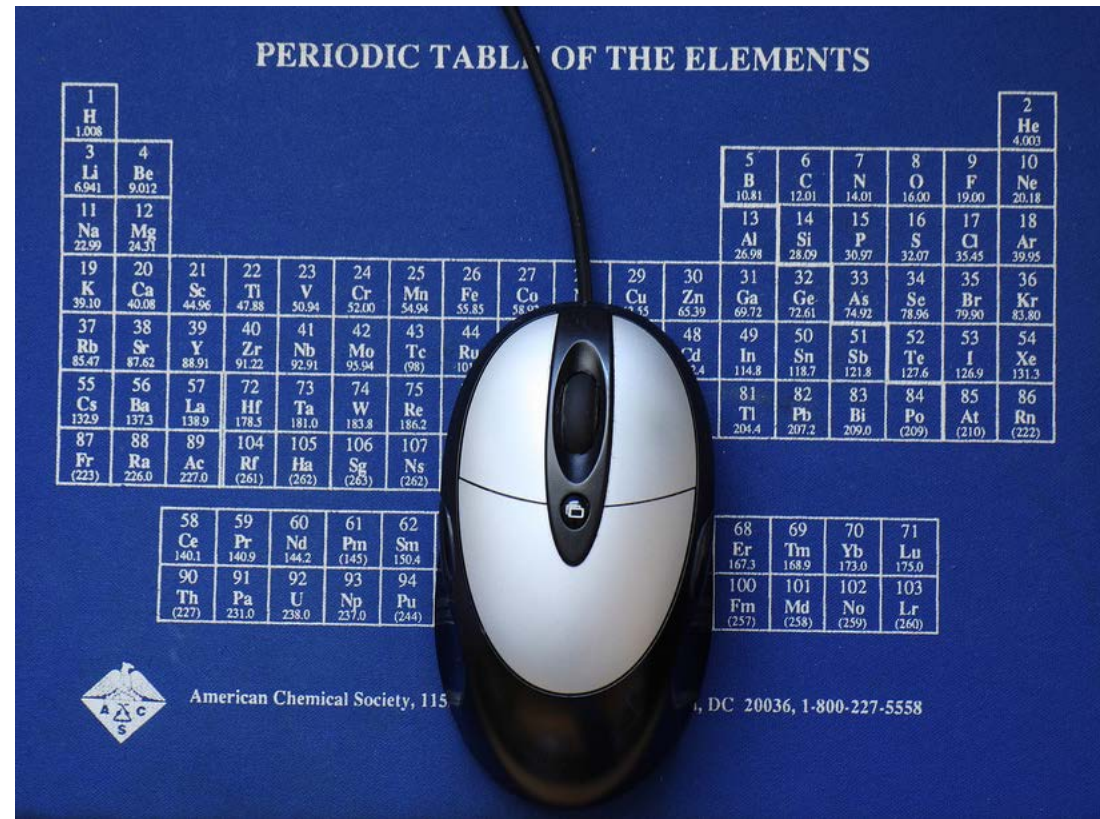
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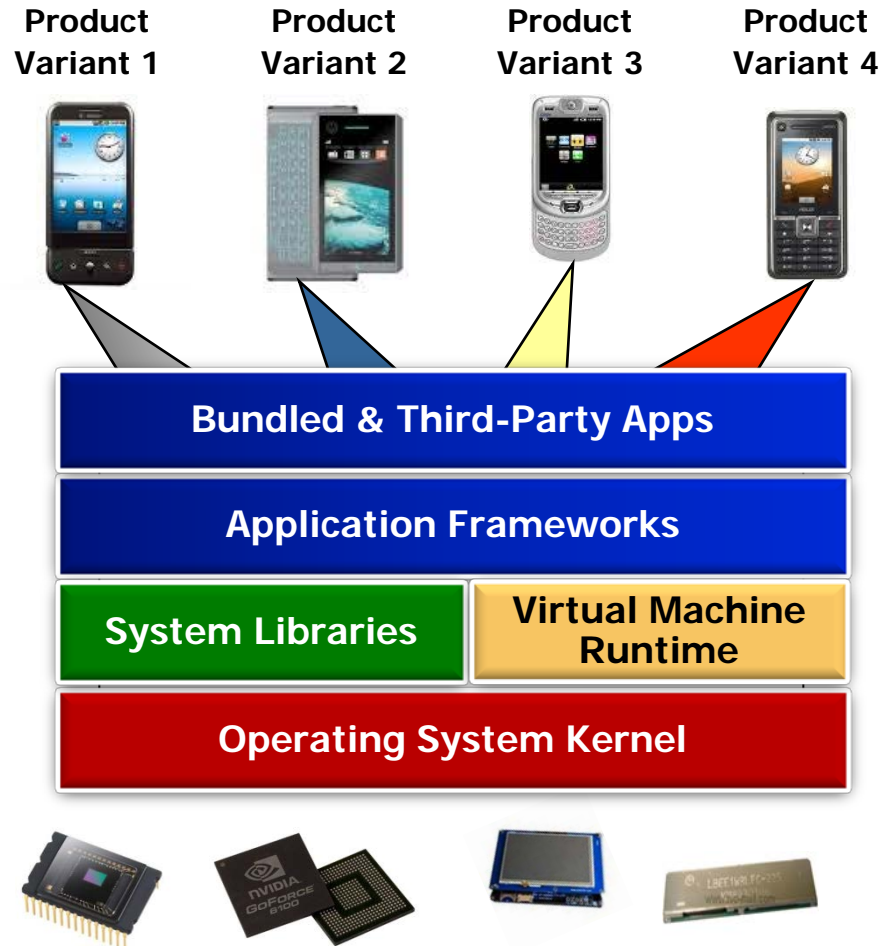
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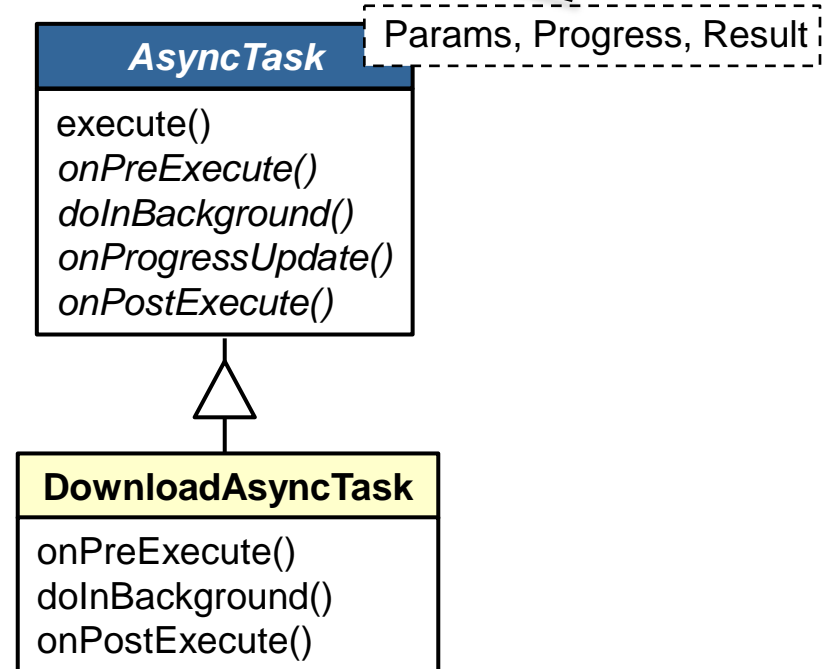
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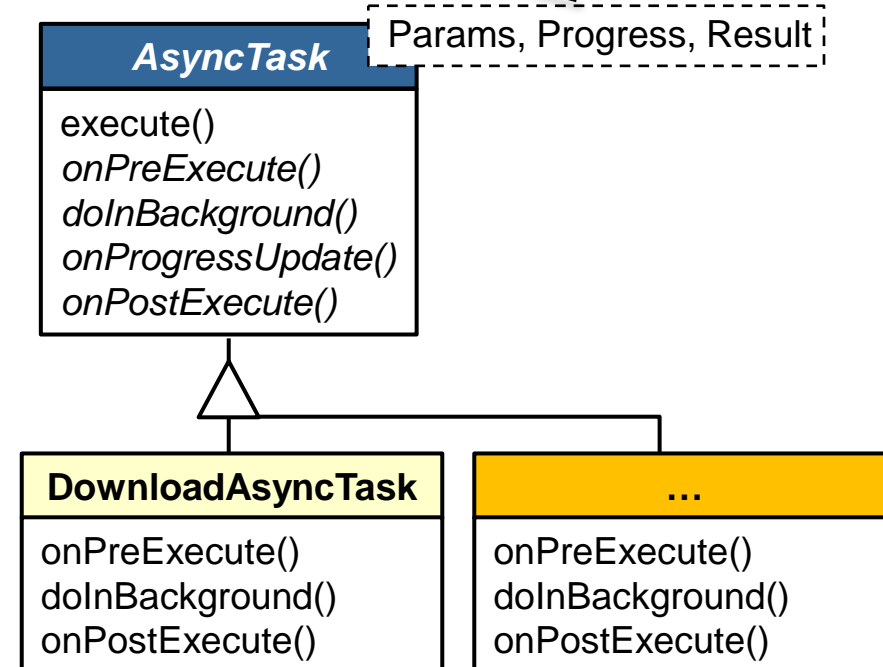
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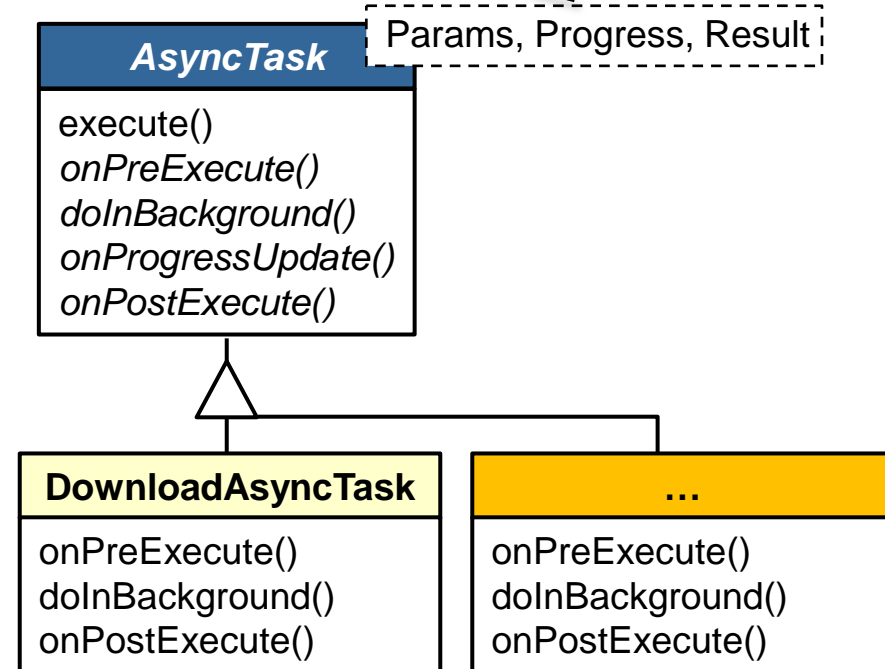
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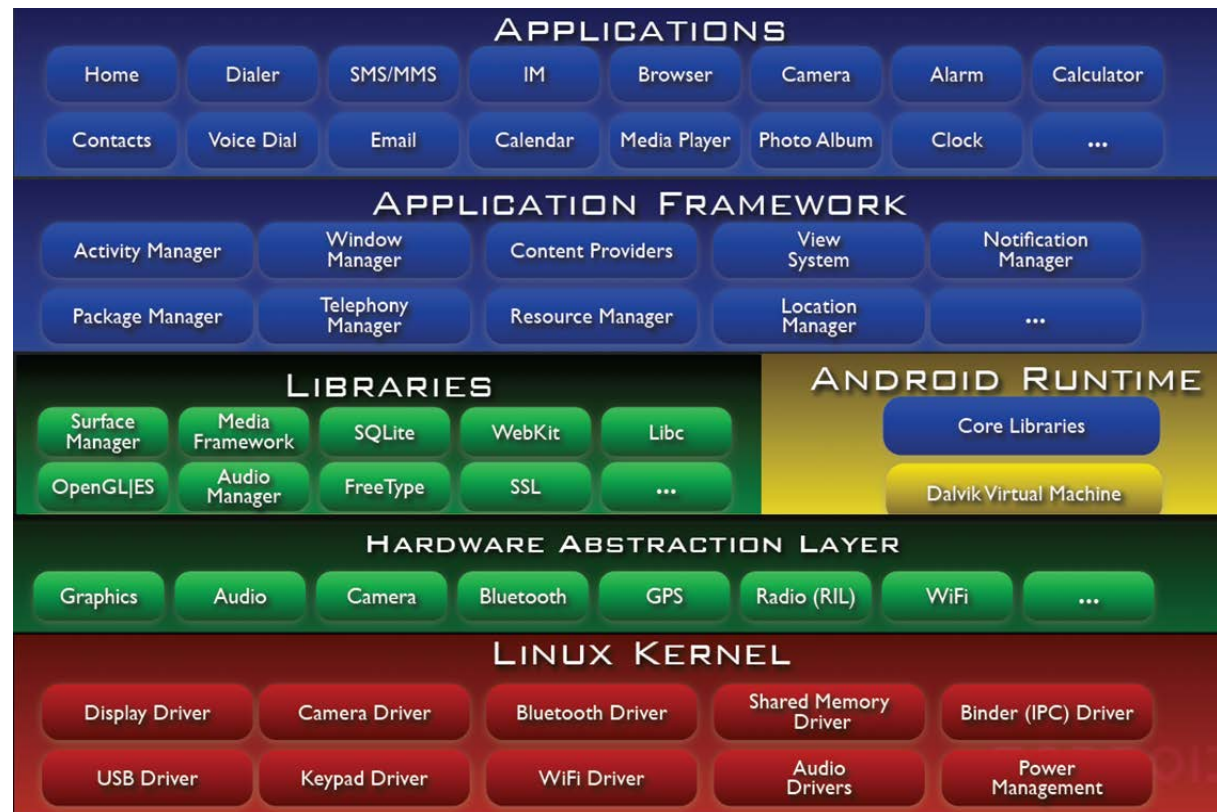
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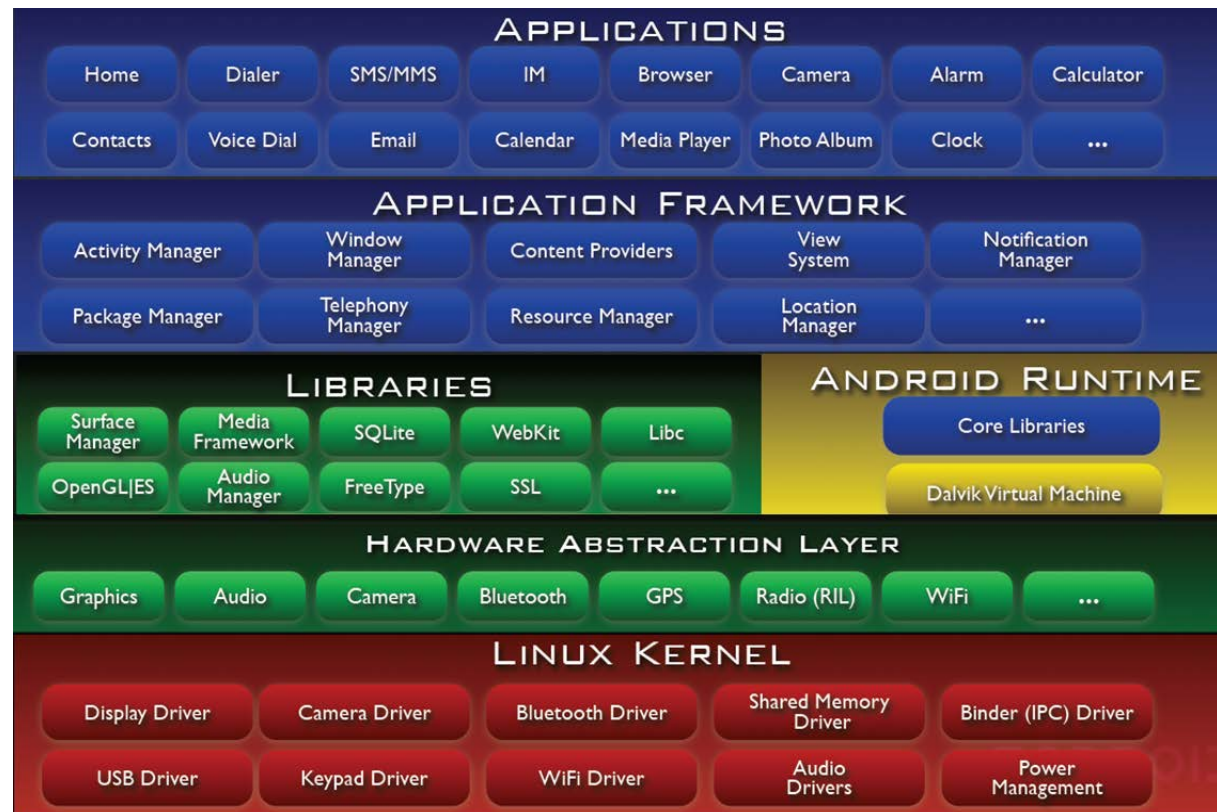
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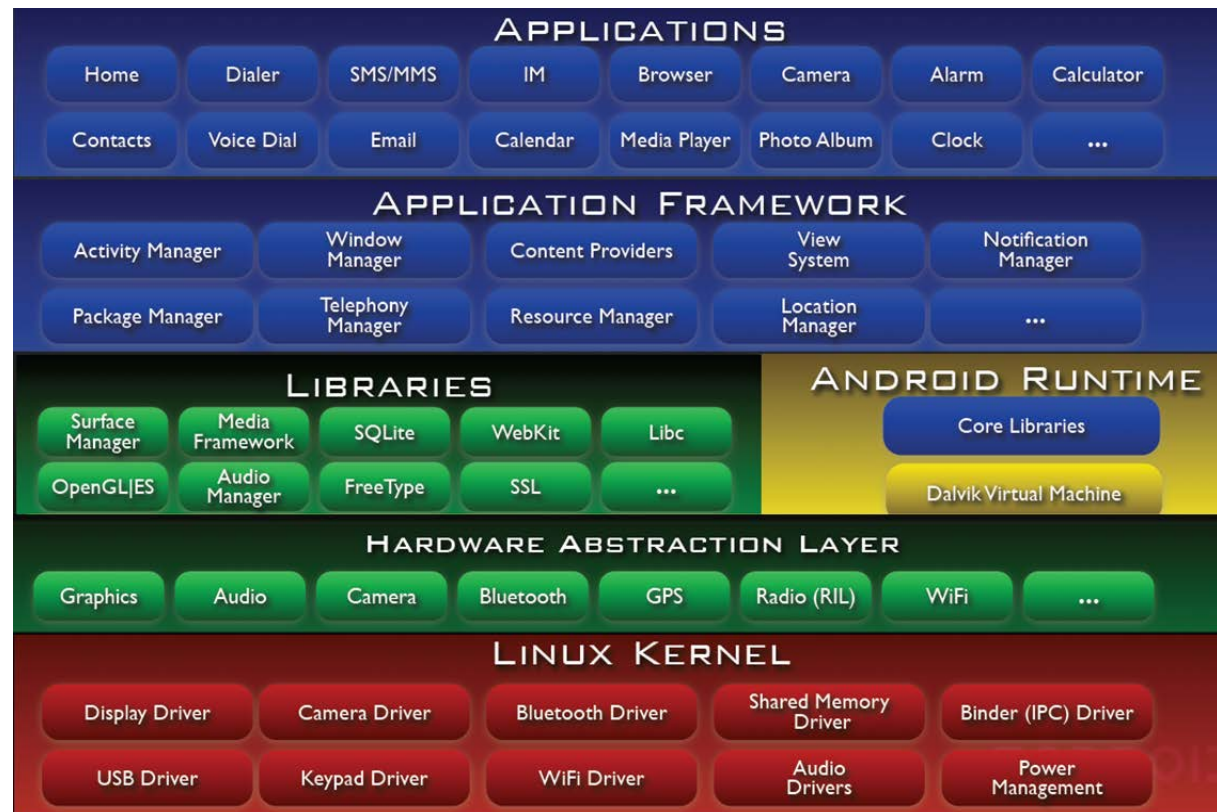
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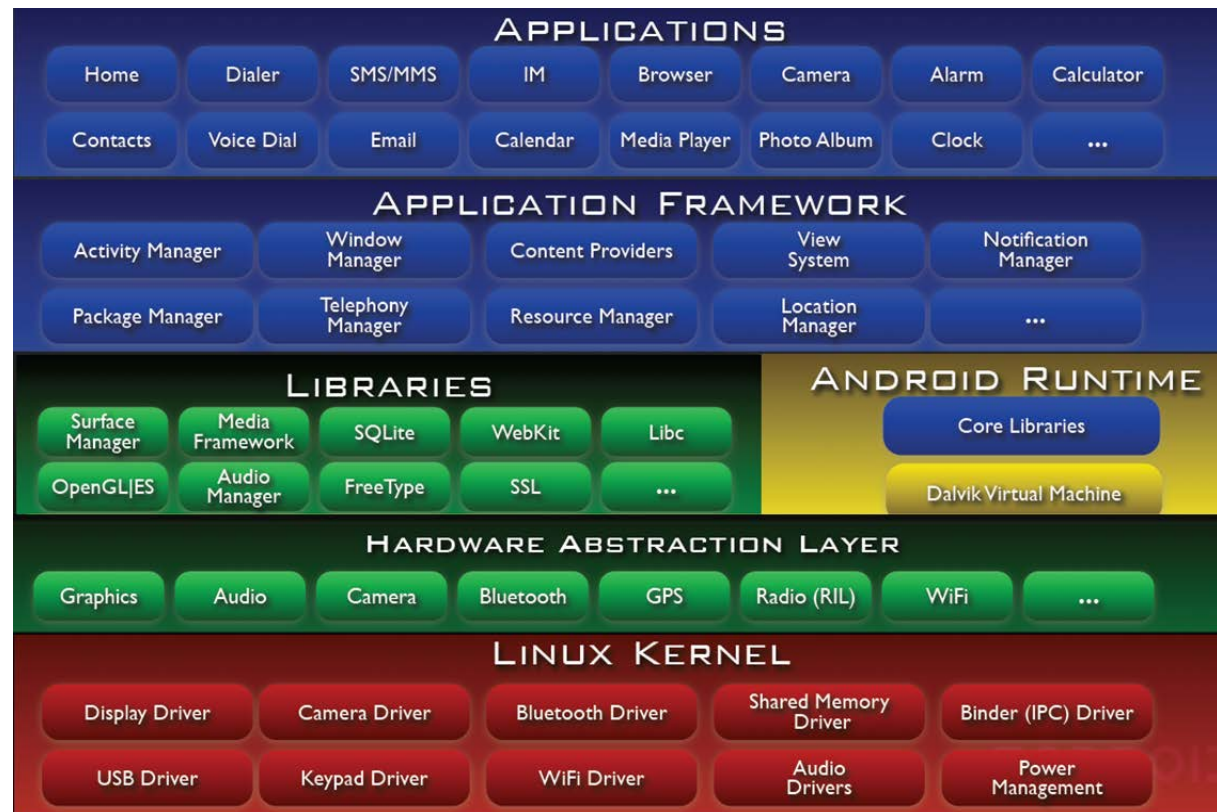
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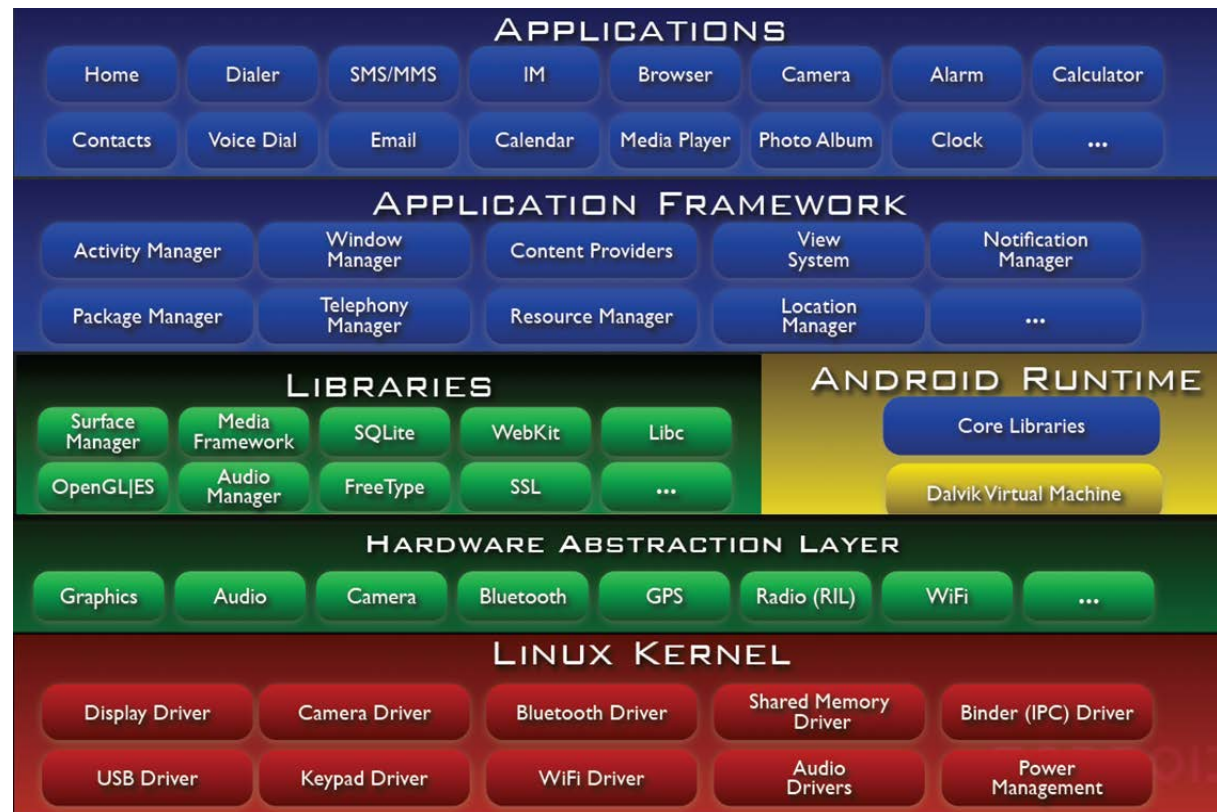
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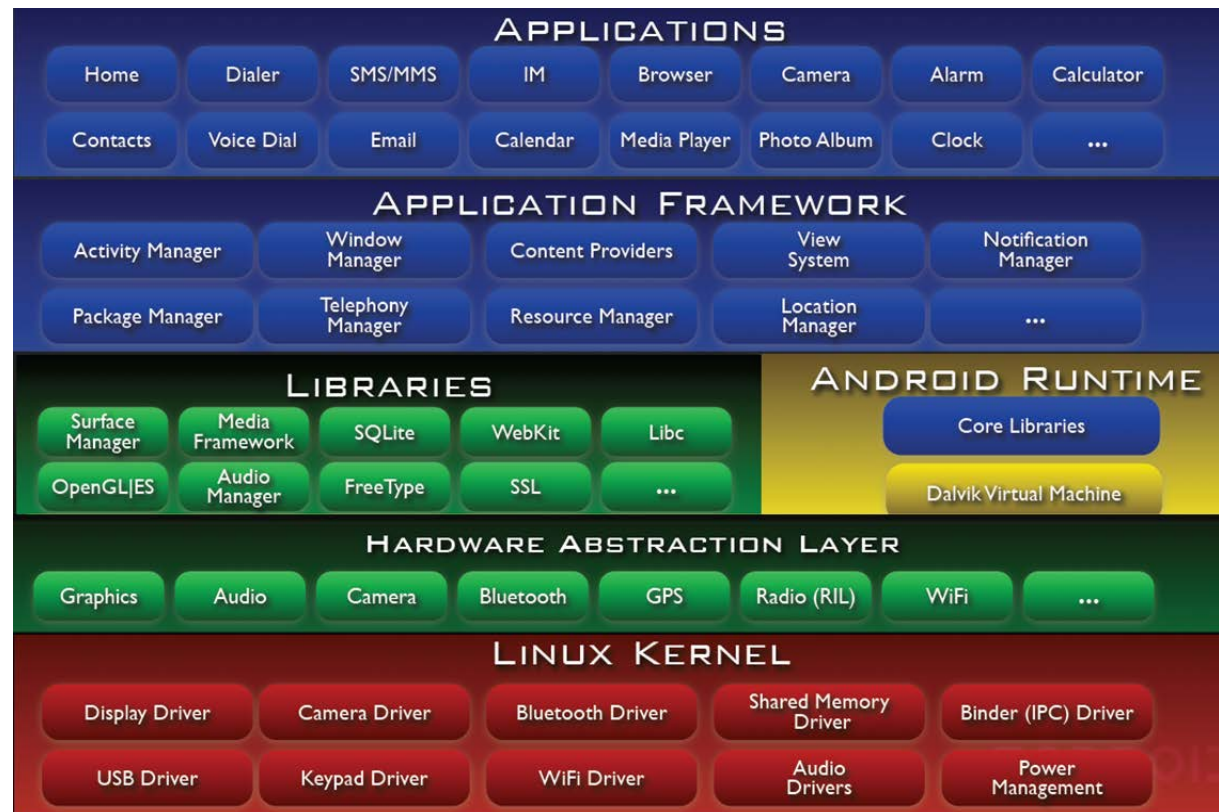
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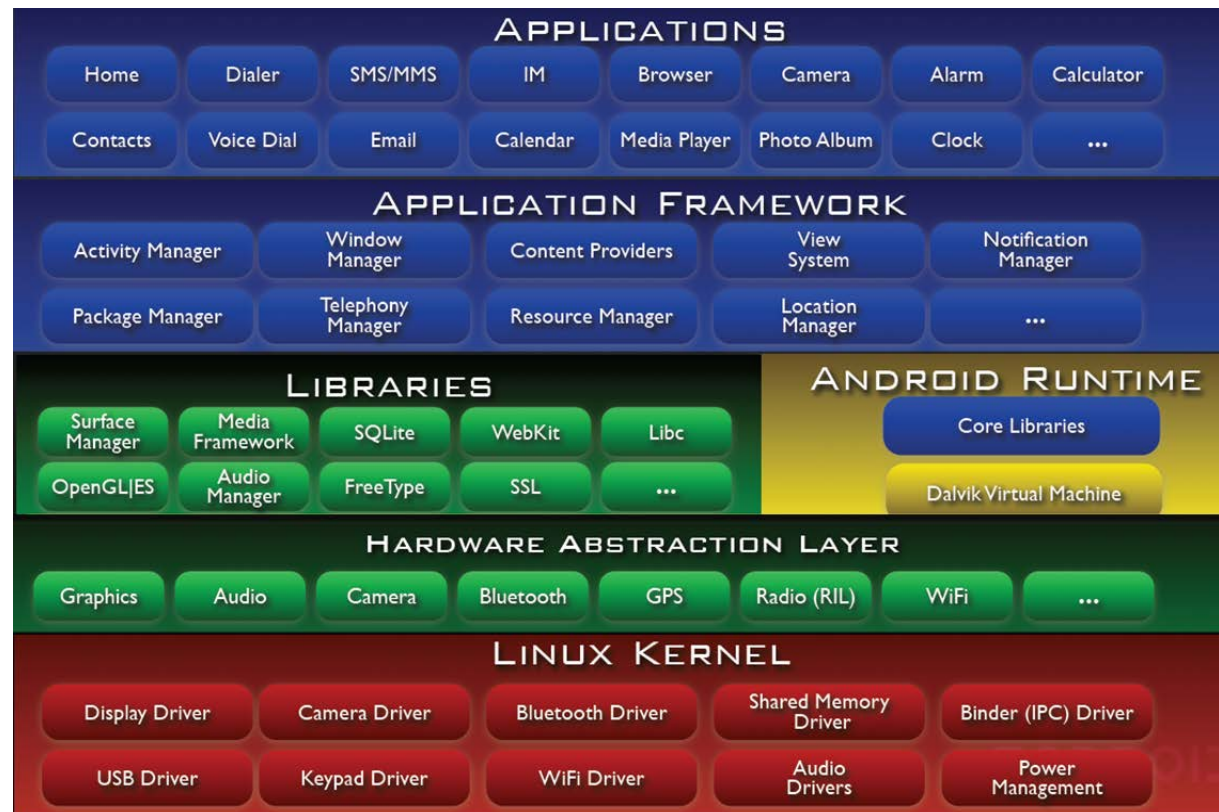
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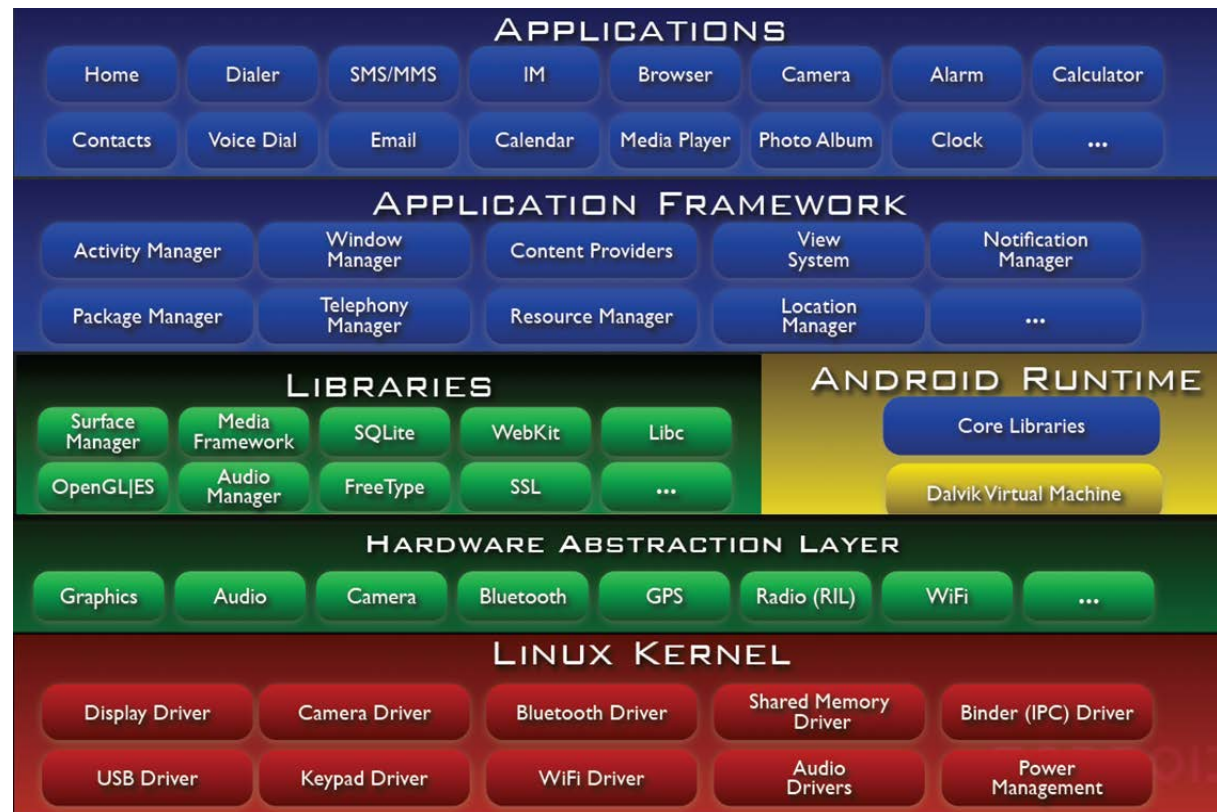
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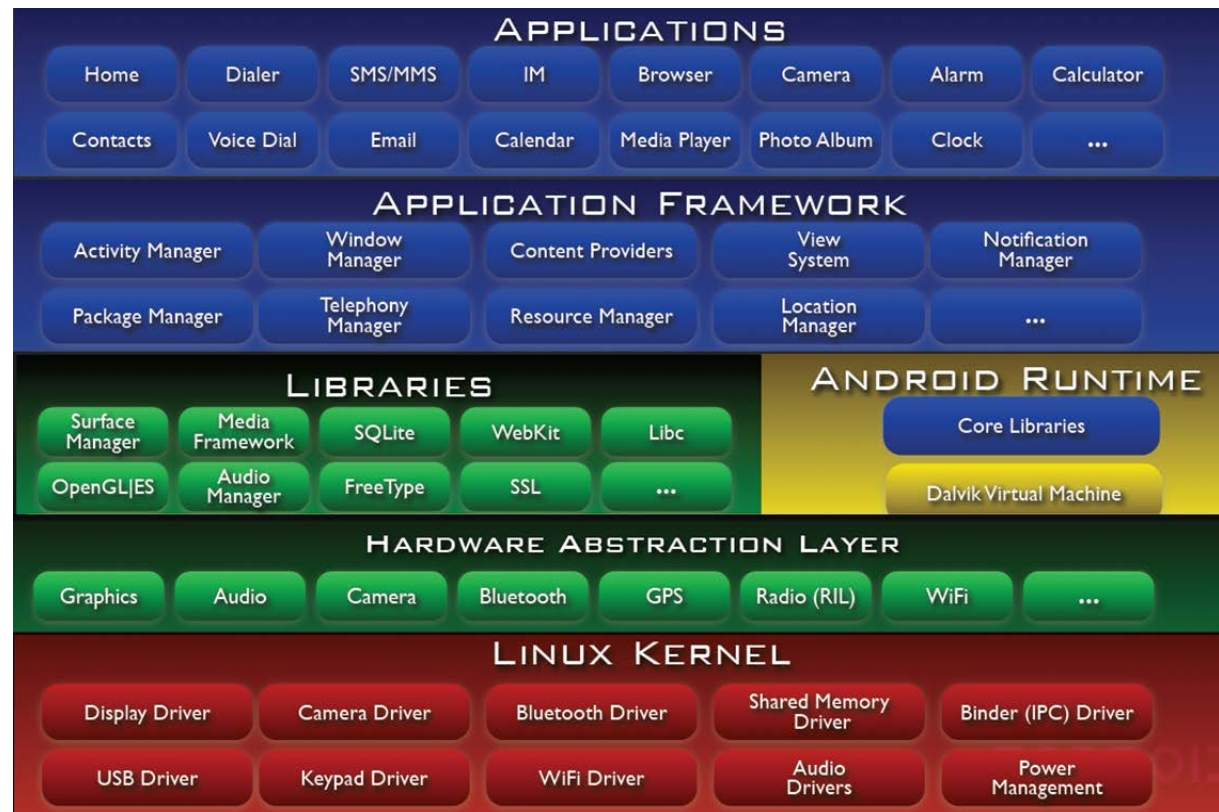
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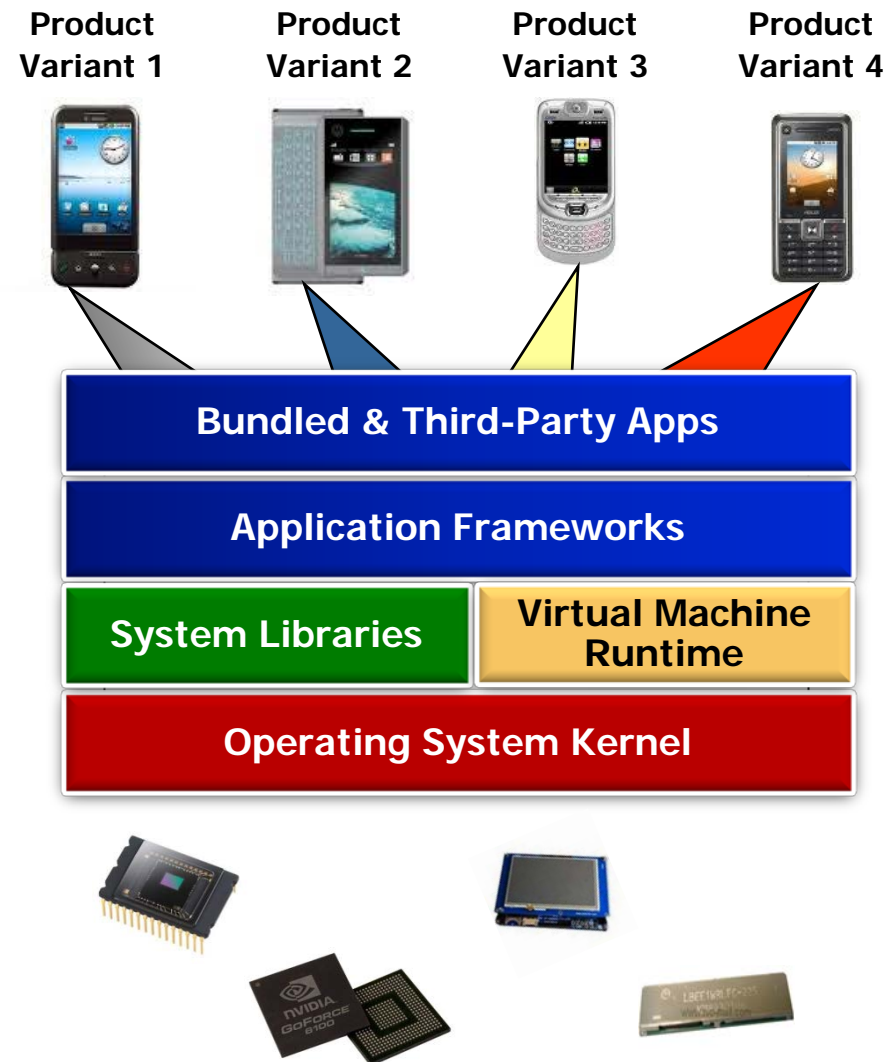
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