

Effective Java with Groovy & Kotlin

How Languages Influence Adoption of Good Practices

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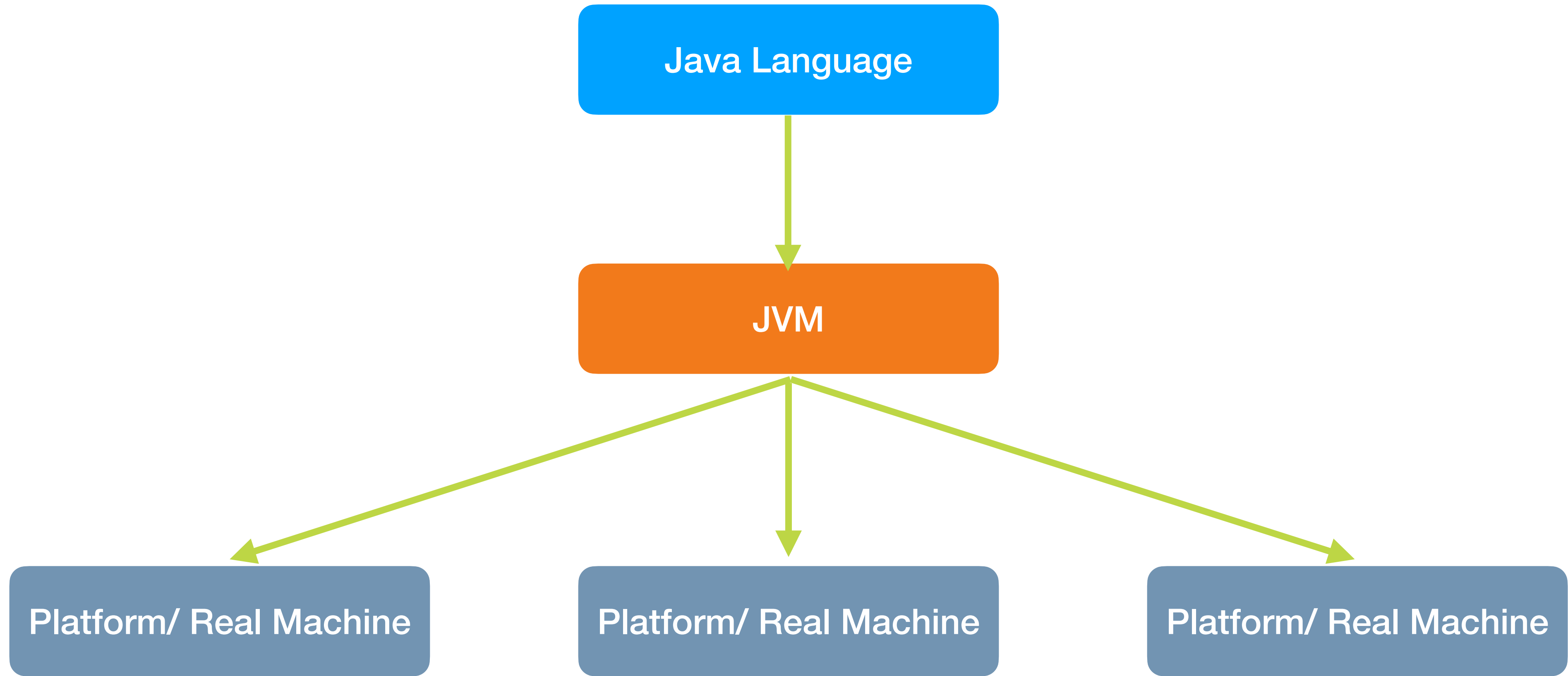
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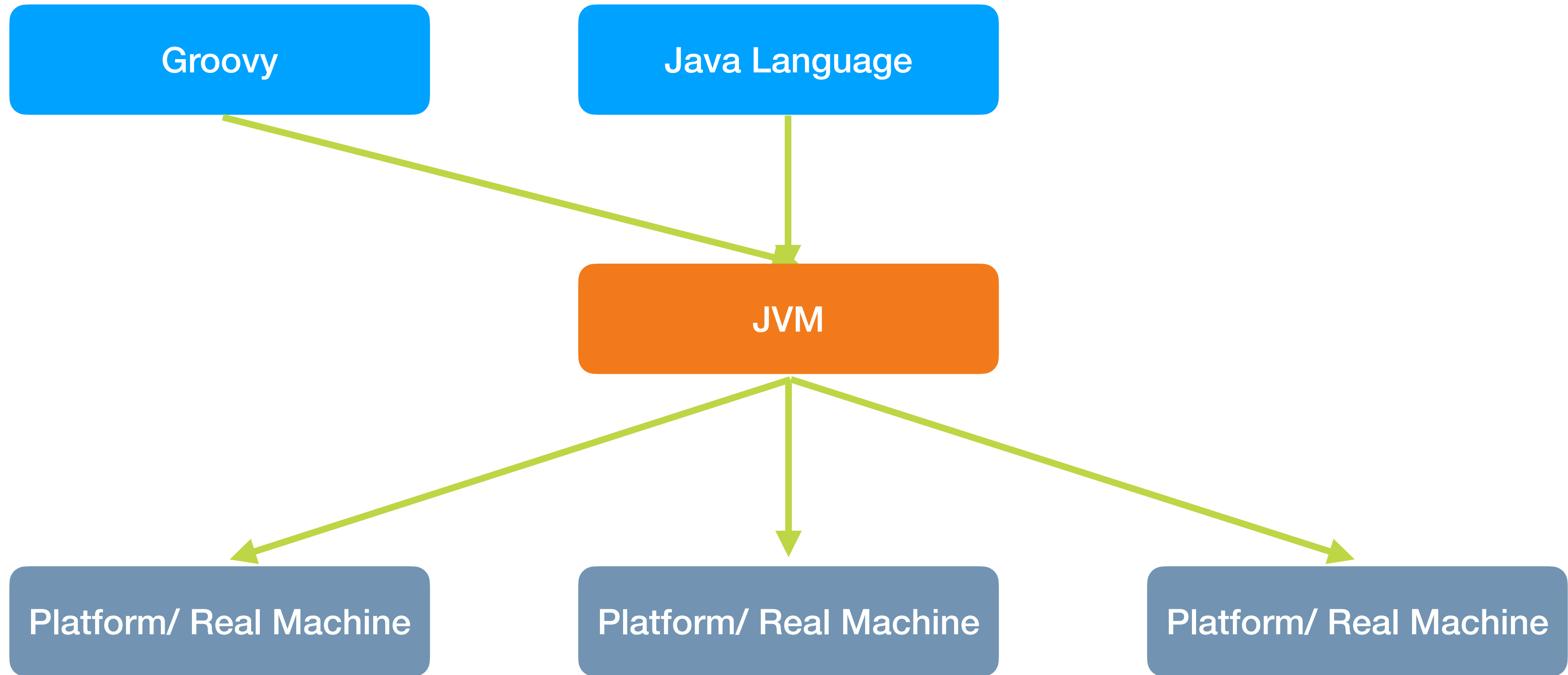
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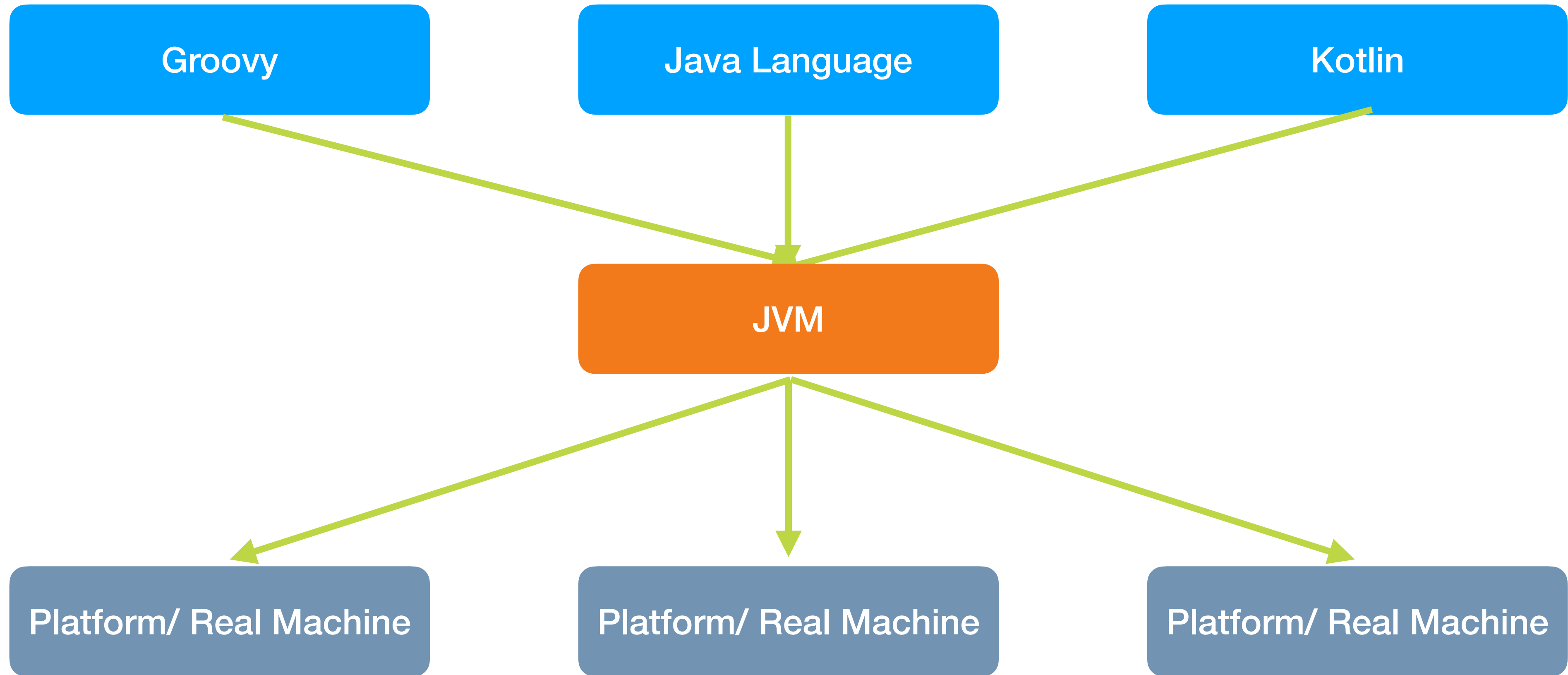
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Most people talk about Java the language, and this may sound odd coming from me, but I could hardly care less. At the core of the Java ecosystem is the JVM.

- James Gosling,
Creator of the Java Programming Language(2011, TheServerSide)

Joshua Bloch

Updated
for
Java 9



Effective Java

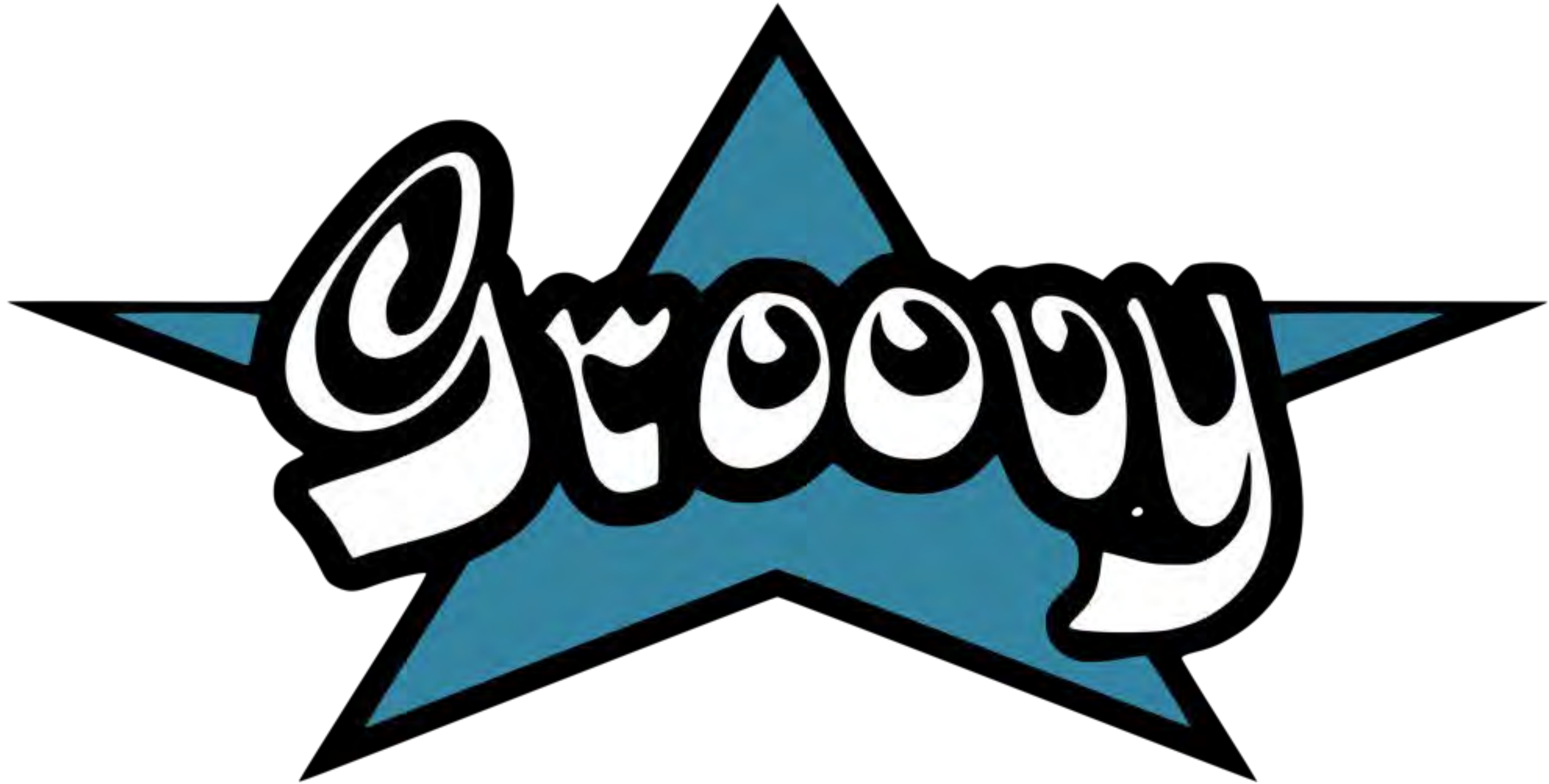
Third Edition

Best practices for



...the Java Platform





<http://groovy-lang.org/>

initial idea was to make a little
dynamic language which compiles
directly to Java classes and provides
all the nice (alleged) productivity
benefits

- *James Strachan*



Kotlin

<https://kotlinlang.org/>

Why Kotlin?



Concise

Drastically reduce the amount of boilerplate code.

[See example](#)



Safe

Avoid entire classes of errors such as null pointer exceptions.

[See example](#)



Interoperable

Leverage existing libraries for the JVM, Android, and the browser.

[See example](#)



Tool-friendly

Choose any Java IDE or build from the command line.

[See example](#)

<https://kotlinlang.org/>

Know your guides



Context/ the Problem



What does “Effective Java” say?



The traps



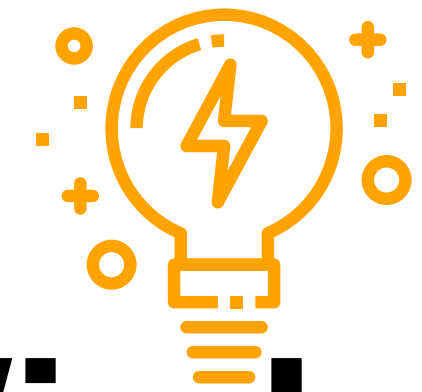
Idiomatic Solution



Lessons Learned



Tool



Wisdom

A wooden signpost with a sign that says "START HERE". The signpost is made of dark brown wood and has a horizontal beam across the top. Two thick, light-colored ropes are wrapped around the vertical posts. The sign is a piece of weathered wood with the words "START HERE" painted in white, block letters. In the background, there are residential buildings and a utility pole under a clear blue sky.

START HERE



```
class Product {  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
}
```



```
Product book1 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
Product book2 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
println book1 == book2
```



false



```
Product book1 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
Product book2 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
def stock = [:]  
stock[book1] = 100  
println stock[book2]
```



null



protected Object	clone() Creates and returns a copy of this object.
boolean	equals(Object obj) Indicates whether some other object is "equal" to this object.
protected void	finalize() Called by the garbage collector on an object when garbage collection determines that no more references to the object are available.
Class<?>	getClass() Returns the runtime class of this Object.
int	hashCode() Returns a hash code value for the object.



#10: Obey the general contract when overriding equals

#11: Always override hashCode when you override equals



EqualsBuilder

Assists in implementing `Object.equals(Object)` methods.

HashCodeBuilder

Assists in implementing `Object.hashCode()` methods.



```
public boolean equals(Object obj) {
    if (obj == null) { return false; }
    if (obj == this) { return true; }
    if (obj.getClass() != getClass()) {
        return false;
    }
    MyClass rhs = (MyClass) obj;
    return new EqualsBuilder()
        .appendSuper(super.equals(obj))
        .append(field1, rhs.field1)
        .append(field2, rhs.field2)
        .append(field3, rhs.field3)
        .isEquals();
}
```



```
class Product {  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
}
```

```
class Product {  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
    LocalDate dateOfManufacture  
}
```

```
class Product {  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
    LocalDate dateOfManufacture  
    LocalDate dateOfExpiry  
}
```



```
@EqualsAndHashCode  
class Product {  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
}
```



```
Product book1 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
Product book2 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
println book1 == book2
```



true



```
Product book1 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
Product book2 = new Product(  
    sku: 'P101',  
    description: 'Effective Java',  
    price: 40.0)  
def stock = [:]  
stock[book1] = 100  
println stock[book2]
```



100



```
@EqualsAndHashCode(includes = 'id')  
class Product {  
    Long id  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
}
```




```
@EqualsAndHashCode(includes = 'id' )  
class Product {  
    Long id  
    String sku  
    String description  
    BigDecimal price  
}
```



```
@EqualsAndHashCode(includes = 'sku')
class Product {
    Long id
    String sku
    String description
    BigDecimal price
}
```

```
class Product(val sku: String, val description: String,  
             val price: BigDecimal)  
  
fun main() {  
    val book1 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))  
    val book2 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))  
    println(book1 == book2)  
  
    val stock = mapOf(book1 to 100)  
    println(stock[book2])  
}
```



false
null

```
data class Product(val sku: String, val description: String, val price:
BigDecimal)

fun main() {
    val book1 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))
    val book2 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))
    println(book1 == book2)

    val stock = mapOf(book1 to 100)
    println(stock[book2])
}
```



true
100

```
data class Product(val sku: String, val description: String,  
    val price: BigDecimal, var id: Long?)  
  
fun main() {  
    val book1 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"), null)  
    val book2 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"), 1L)  
    println(book1 == book2)  
  
    val stock = mapOf(book1 to 100)  
    println(stock[book2])  
}
```



false
null

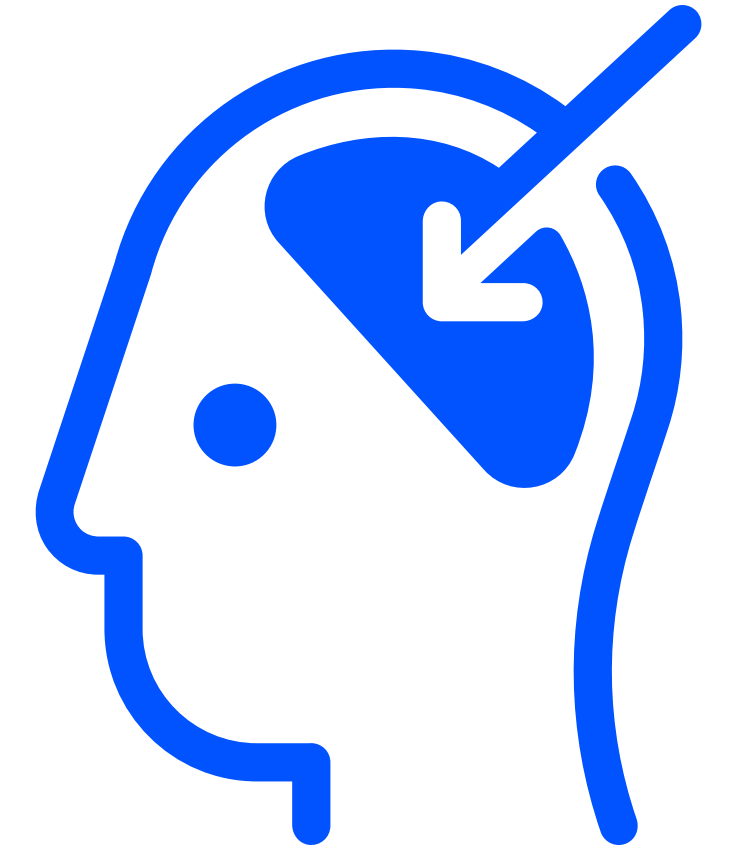
```
data class Product(val sku: String, val description: String, val price:
BigDecimal) {
    var id: Long? = null
}

fun main() {
    val book1 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))
    val book2 = Product("P101", "Effective Java", BigDecimal("35.08"))
    book2.id = 1L
    println(book1 == book2)

    val stock = mapOf(book1 to 100)
    println(stock[book2])
}
```



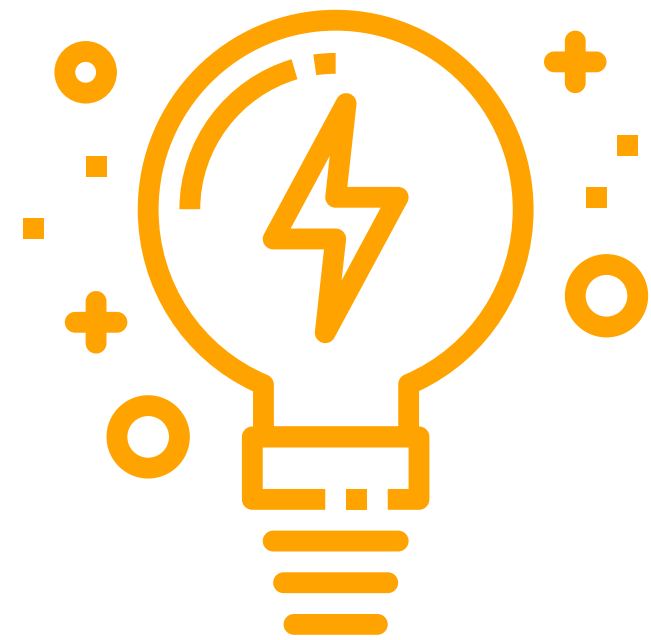
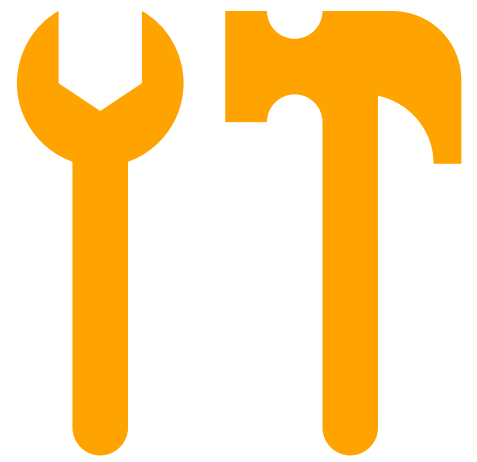
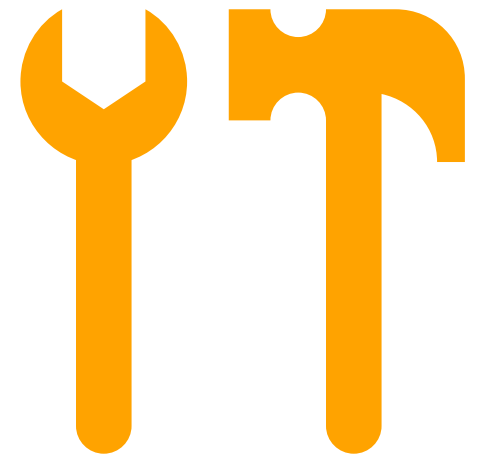
true
100



AST Transformation

Language / Compiler

**Single point of representation
of any knowledge**







```
List<String> languages = List.of("Java", "Groovy", "Kotlin");  
for (int i = 0; i < languages.size(); i++) {  
    System.out.println(languages.get(i));  
}
```

```
for (String language : languages) {  
    System.out.println(language);  
}
```



#58: Prefer for-each loops to traditional for loops



```
numbers.forEach {  
    println(it)  
}
```

10
20
30
40

```
println(numbers.map {  
    it * 2  
})
```

[20, 40, 60, 80]

```
println(numbers.fold(0)  
    { acc, number -> acc + number })
```

100



```
numbers.each { number ->
  println number
}
```

10
20
30
40

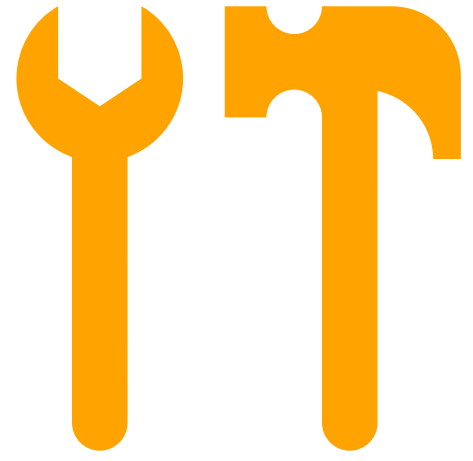


```
println numbers.collect { number ->
  number * 2
}
```

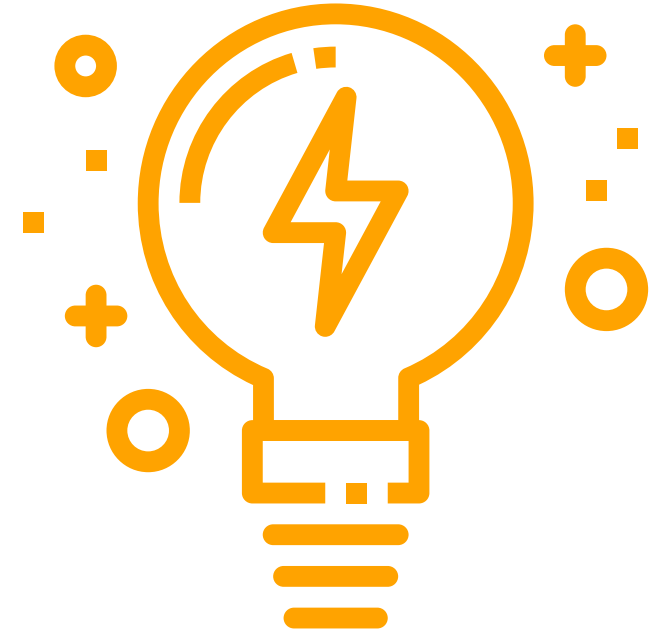
[20, 40, 60, 80]

```
println numbers.inject(0,
  { result, number -> result + number }
)
```

100



Closures/ Higher Order Functions



Favor Internal iterators to external iterators

Minimise the moving parts





Million Dollar Effort





Million Dollar Effort



null check



```
List<Speaker> getSpeakers(String conference) {  
    return null;  
}  
List<Speaker> speakers = getSpeakers("CONF42 JAVA");  
if (speakers != null) {  
    //...  
}
```




#54: Return empty arrays or collections, not nulls



```
println getSpeakers( 'CONF42 JAVA' )  
        .collect { it.firstName }  
println getSpeakers( 'CONF42 JAVA' )  
        .findAll { it.firstName.length() > 5 }
```



```
println getSpeakers( 'CONF42 JAVA' )  
        .collect { it.firstName } // []  
println getSpeakers( 'CONF42 JAVA' )  
        .findAll { it.firstName.length() > 5 } // []
```



org.codehaus.groovy.runtime

Class NullObject



```
public Iterator iterator()
```

iterator() method to be able to iterate on null. Note: this part is from Invoker

Returns:

an iterator for an empty list



```
fun getSpeakers(conference: String): List<Speaker> {  
    return null  
}
```



```
fun getSpeakers(conference: String): List<Speaker> {  
    return null  
}
```


Null can not be a value of a non-null type List<Speaker>

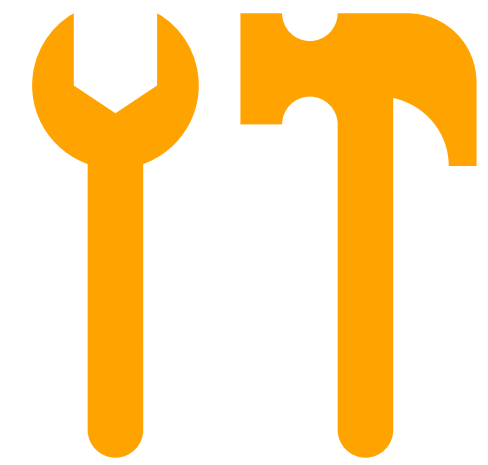
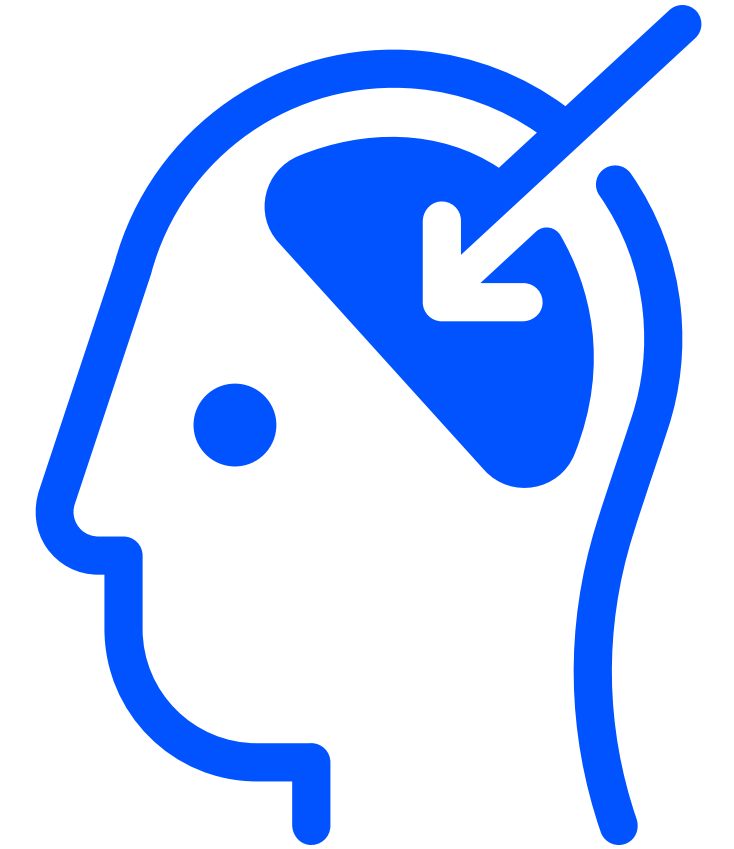


```
fun getSpeakers(conference: String): List<Speaker> {  
    return null  
}
```

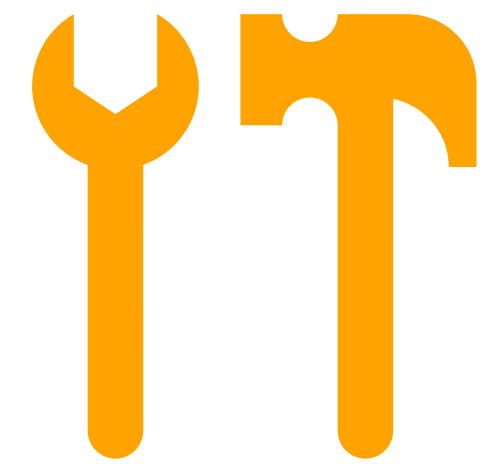
Null can not be a value of a non-null type List<Speaker>

```
fun getSpeakers(conference: String): List<Speaker>? {  
    return null  
}
```

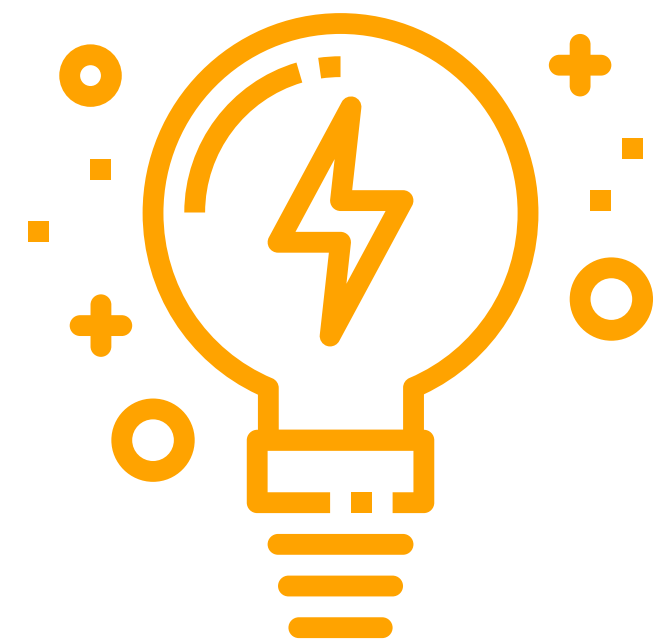




NullObject Pattern



Type system



No boilerplate code - \$\$\$

Life is too short for null checks!



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#17: Minimize Mutability



Rules to make a class immutable

1. Don't provide any mutators
2. Ensure that the class can't be extended
3. Make all fields final
4. Make all fields private
5. Ensure exclusive access to any mutable components



```
class ImmutableClass{
  private final def field1
  private final def field2
  //...
  private final def field10

  public ImmutableClass(f1, f2,... f10){
    //initialization
  }
}
```



```
import groovy.transform.Immutable

@Immutable
class Rectangle {
    int length
    int breadth
}
```

```
def r = new Rectangle(length: 10, breadth: 5)
println r // Rectangle(10, 5)
```



```
public final class Rectangle extends java.lang.Object
    implements groovy.lang.GroovyObject {

    private final int length
    private final int breadth

    public Rectangle(int length, int breadth) {
        //
    }
    new Rectangle(length: 10, breadth: 5)

    public Rectangle(java.util.Map args) {
    }

    public Rectangle() {
        this([])
    }
}
```



```
data class Rectangle(val length: Int, val breadth: Int)
```



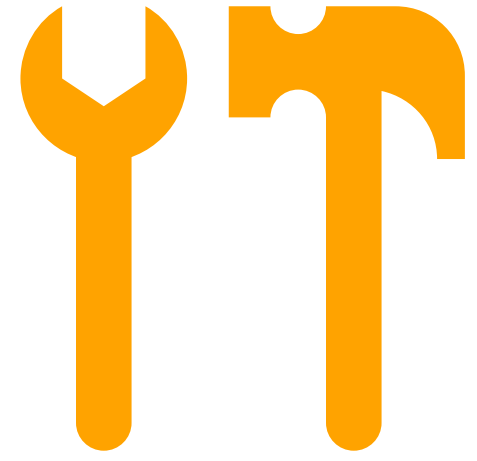
```
public final class Rectangle {  
    private final int length;  
    private final int breadth;  
  
    public final int getLength() {  
        return this.length;  
    }  
  
    public final int getBreadth() {  
        return this.breadth;  
    }  
  
    public Rectangle(int length, int breadth) {  
        this.length = length;  
        this.breadth = breadth;  
    }  
    // more code  
}
```



```
data class Rectangle(val length: Int, val breadth: Int)

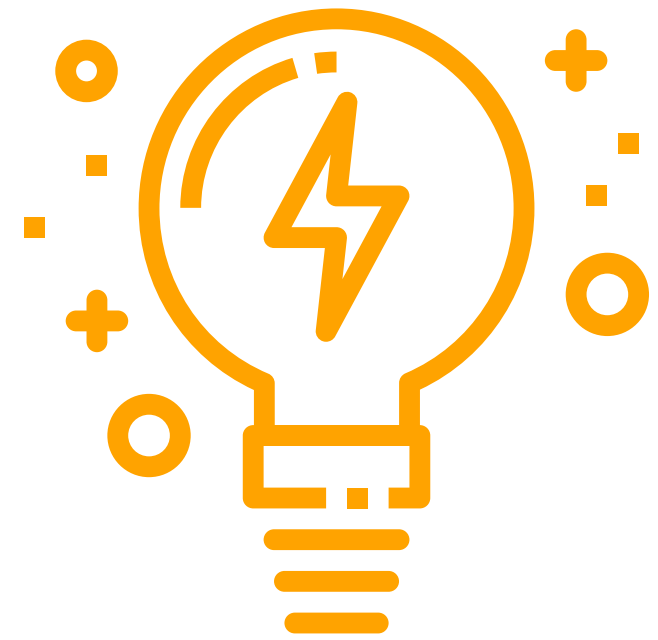
fun main() {
    val rectangle = Rectangle(20, 10)
    val r2 = Rectangle(length = 20, breadth = 10)
}
```

```
public static final void main() {
    Rectangle rectangle = new Rectangle(20, 10);
    Rectangle r2 = new Rectangle(20, 10);
}
```

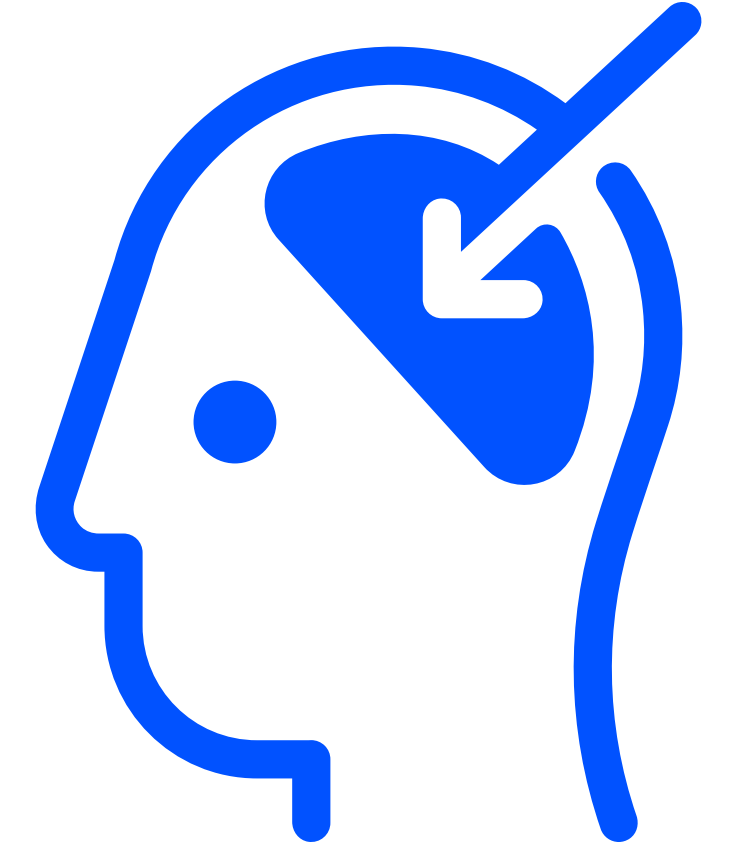



AST Transformation

Syntactic Sugar



Readability Matters







#18: Favour composition over inheritance



```
def ph = ['919812312345', '4512341234', '19252199916']  
  as PhoneNumbers  
println ph.find { it == '19252199916' }  
println ph.findAll { it.endsWith('4') }
```



```
def ph = ['919812312345', '4512341234', '19252199916']  
as PhoneNumbers  
println ph.find { it == '19252199916' }  
println ph.findAll { it.endsWith('4') }  
println ph.indianNumbers()
```



```
class PhoneNumbers extends ArrayList {  
  
}
```



```
class PhoneNumbers {  
    private @Delegate List phoneNumbers  
  
    PhoneNumbers(numbers) {  
        phoneNumbers = numbers  
    }  
  
    def indianNumbers() {  
        phoneNumbers.findAll { it.startsWith('91') }  
    }  
}
```



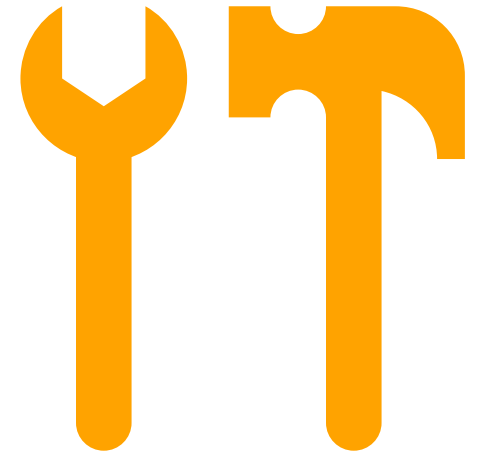
```
class PhoneNumbers(val list: List<String>) :  
    List<String> by list {  
  
    fun indianNumbers(): List<String> {  
        return list.filter { it.startsWith("91") }  
    }  
}
```



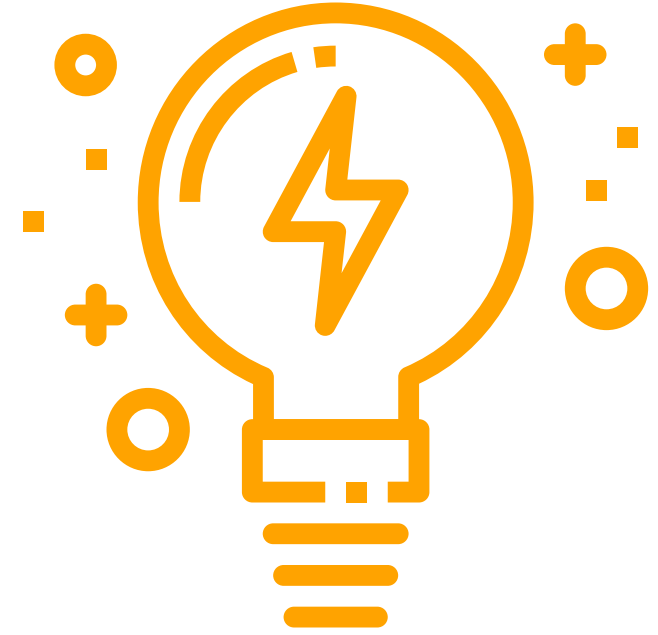
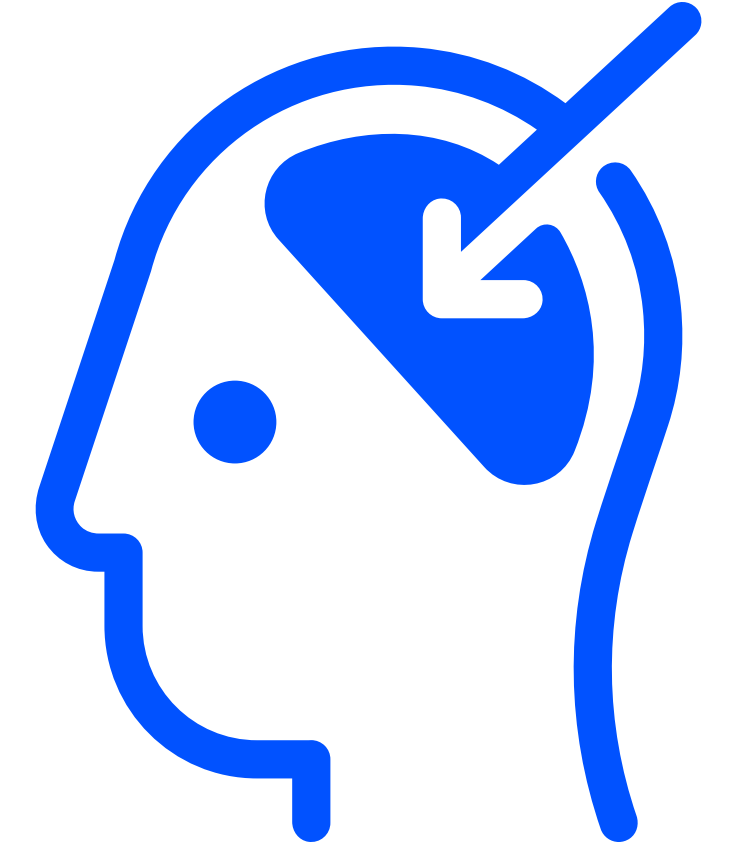

```
trait CanSing {  
  def sing() {  
    println "Singing"  
  }  
}
```

```
trait CanDance {  
  def dance() {  
    println "Dancing"  
  }  
}
```

```
class Person implements CanSing, CanDance {}  
  
Person reema = new Person()  
reema.sing()  
reema.dance()
```

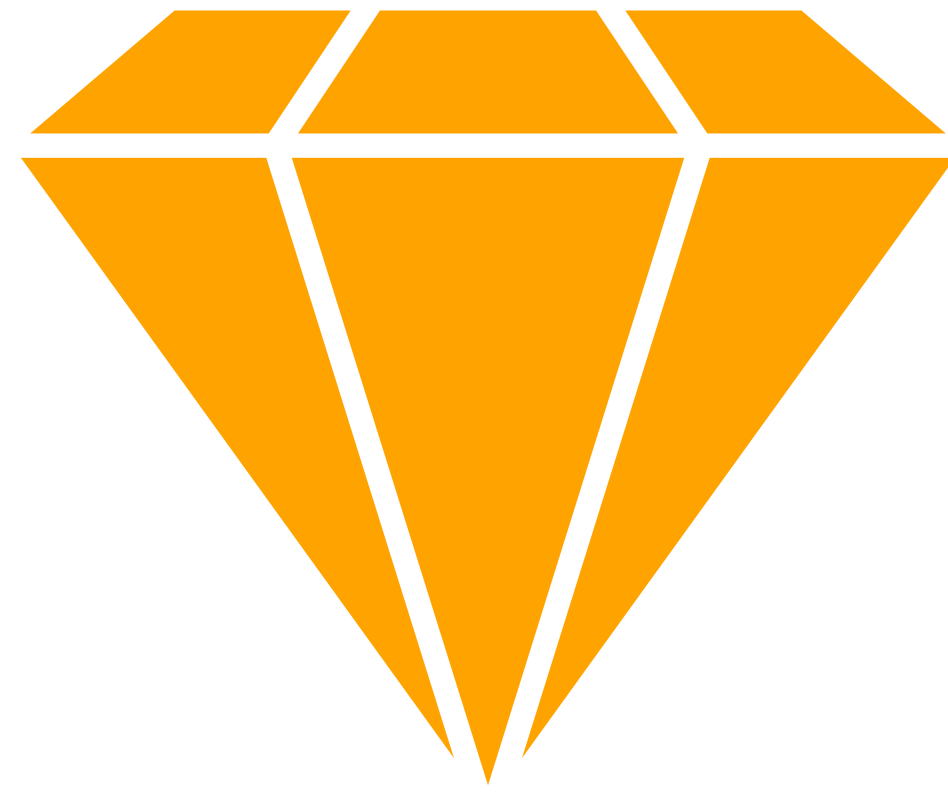


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Simplify

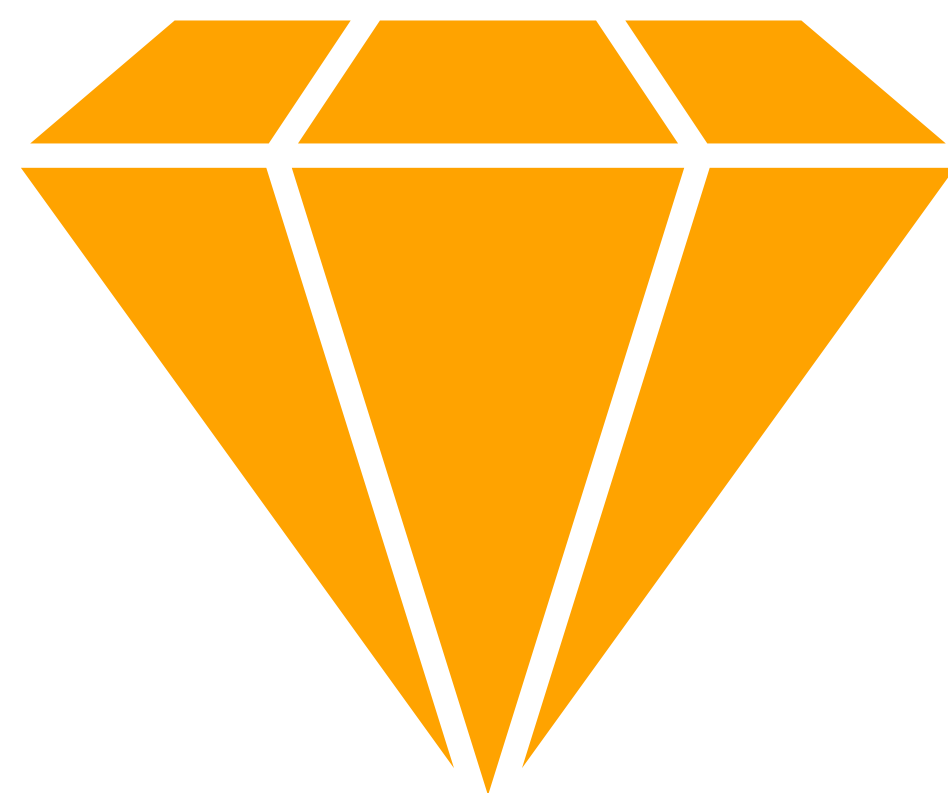
Take Aways



**Some of the ‘Effective Java’ already
built into the languages**



**Favour compiler generated code to
IDE generated code**



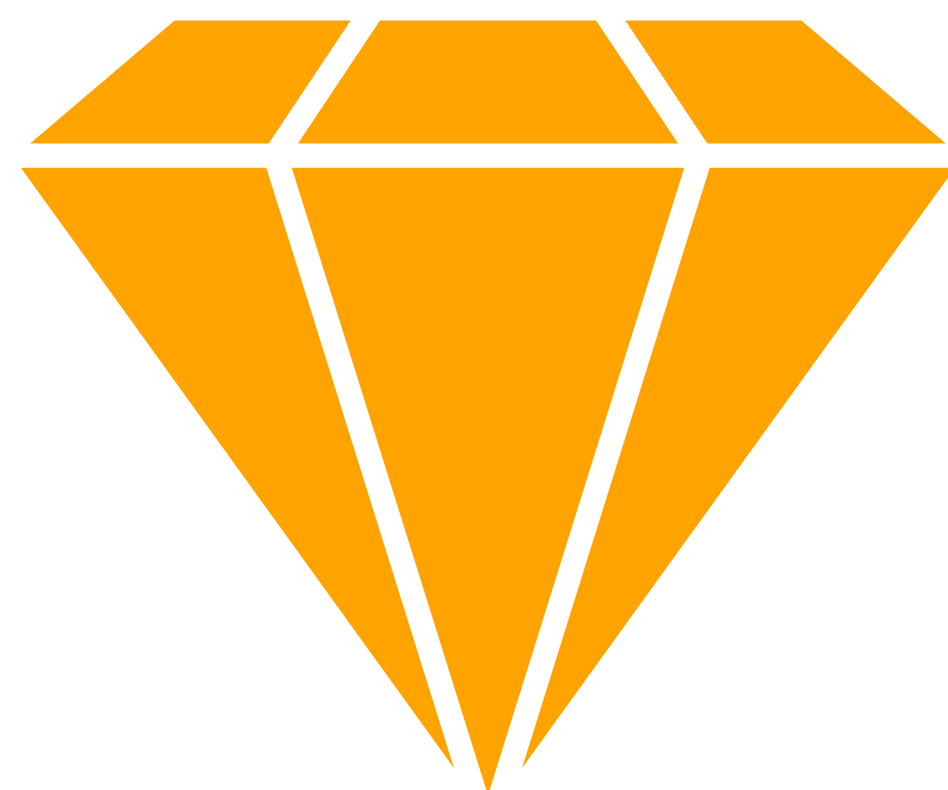
**Don't fall into the trap of copying the
Java implementation**



Programming languages can reduce friction to implement good practices



There could be multiple right solutions. Choose what fits your context



The way we code is influenced not just by the language we code in, but also by the languages we know.

Happy Coding. Thank You

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