

DESIGN TOKENS

IN INDUSTRIELLEN HMIs

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- 1 Was sind Design-Tokens?**
Eine Einführung mit dem Umweg über Designsysteme
- 2 Arbeiten mit Tokens**
Wie organisiert man Tokens systematisch?
- 3 Tokens in der Praxis**
Wer hat was davon, und wo kann man sie wie einsetzen?

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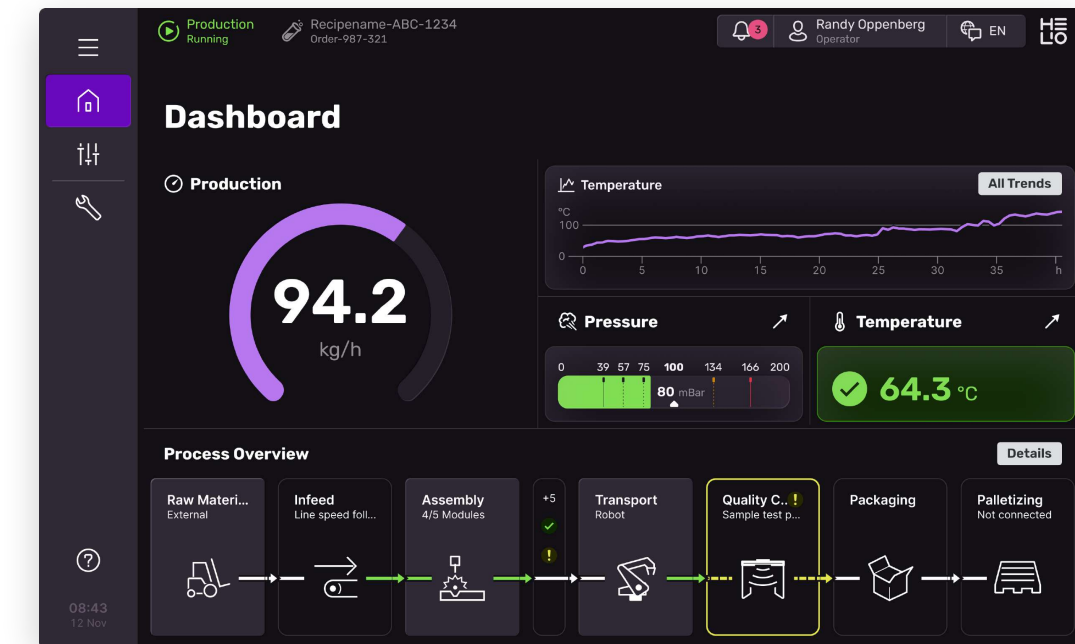
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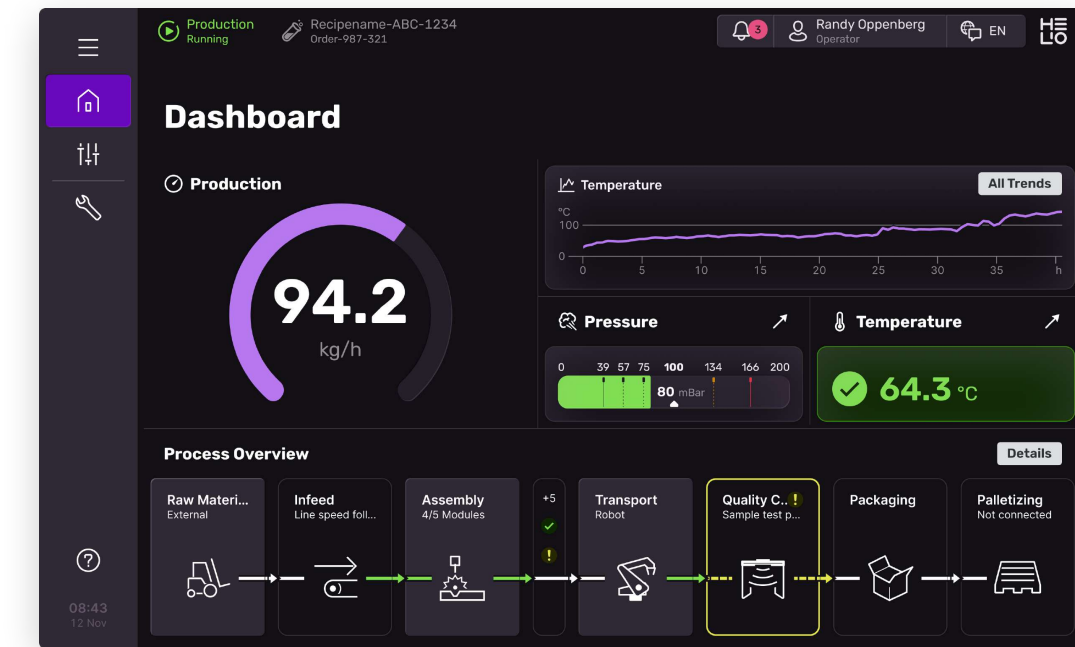
Unterschiede

- Farben und Größen
- Styleguide

Gemeinsamkeiten

- Inhalt
- Usability Prinzipien

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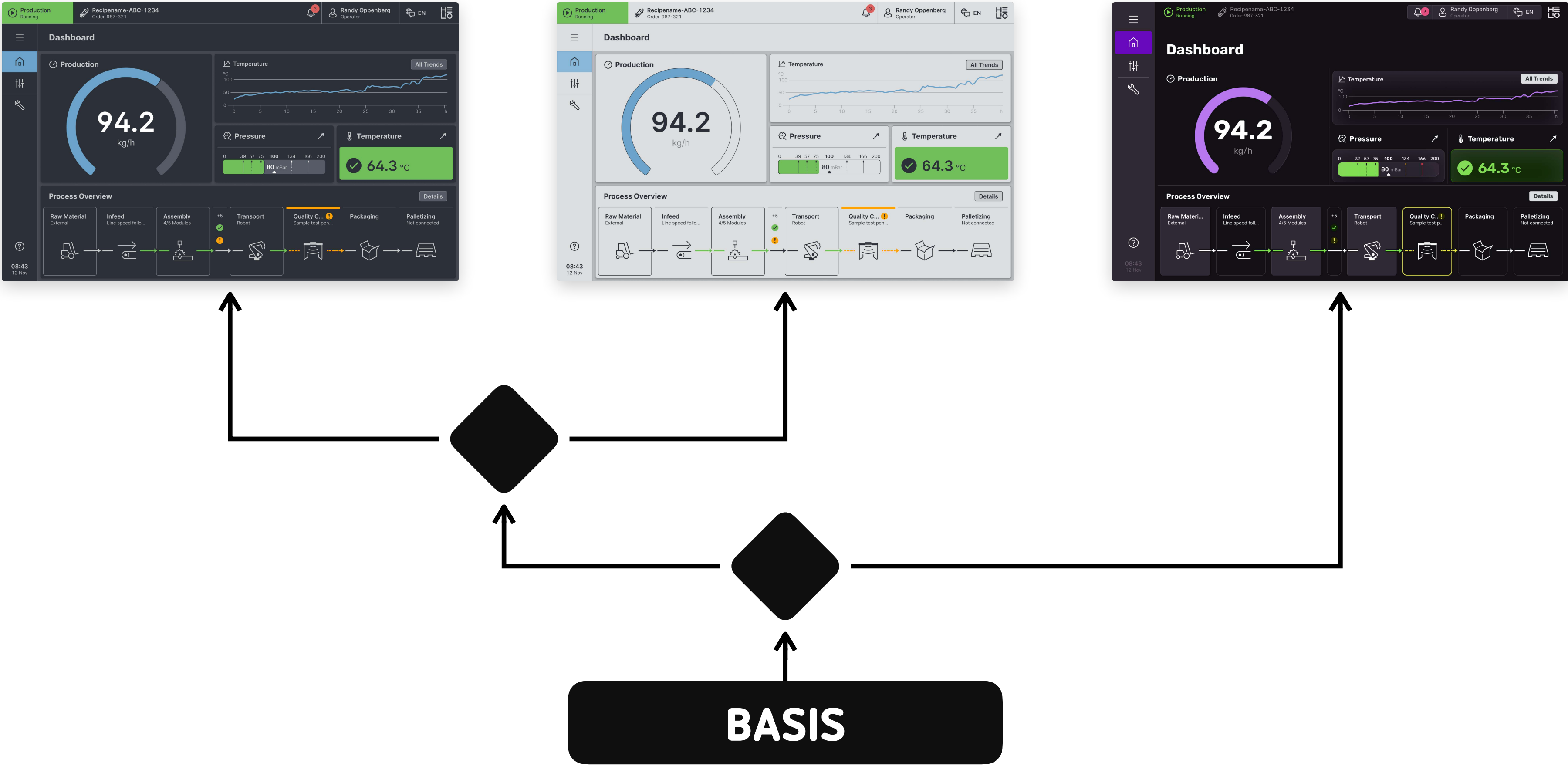
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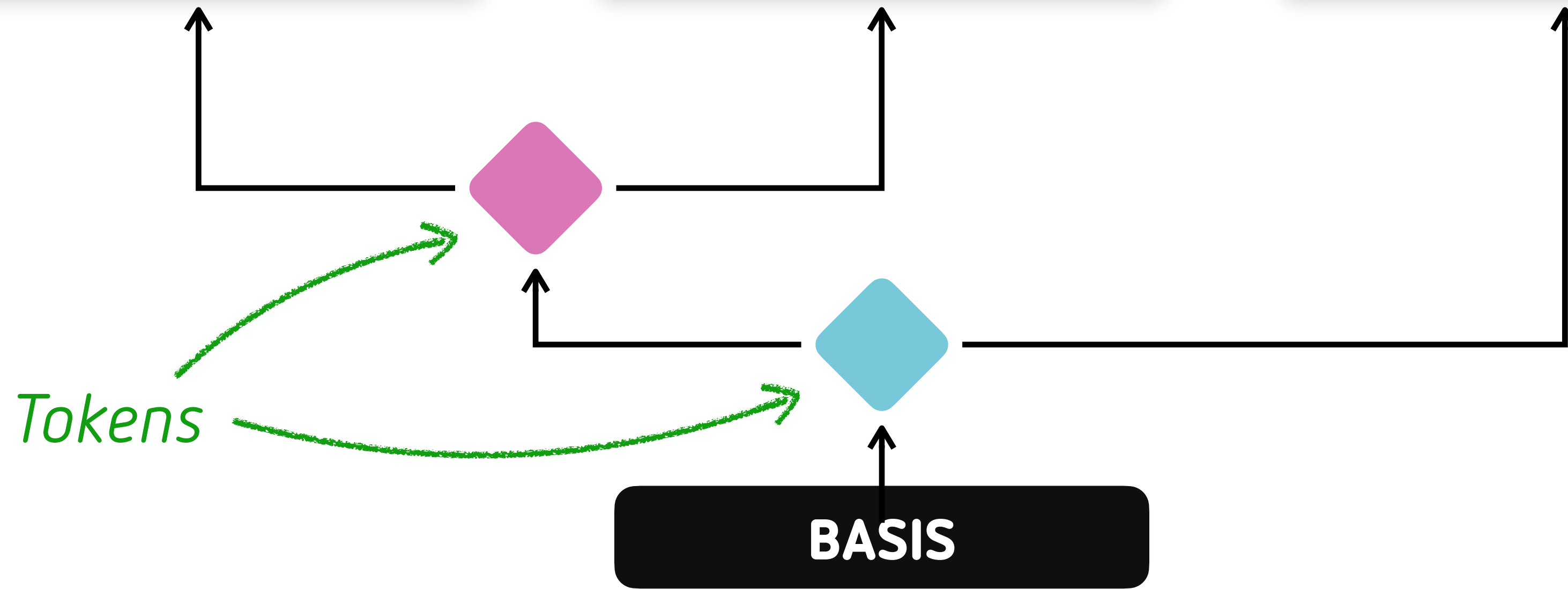
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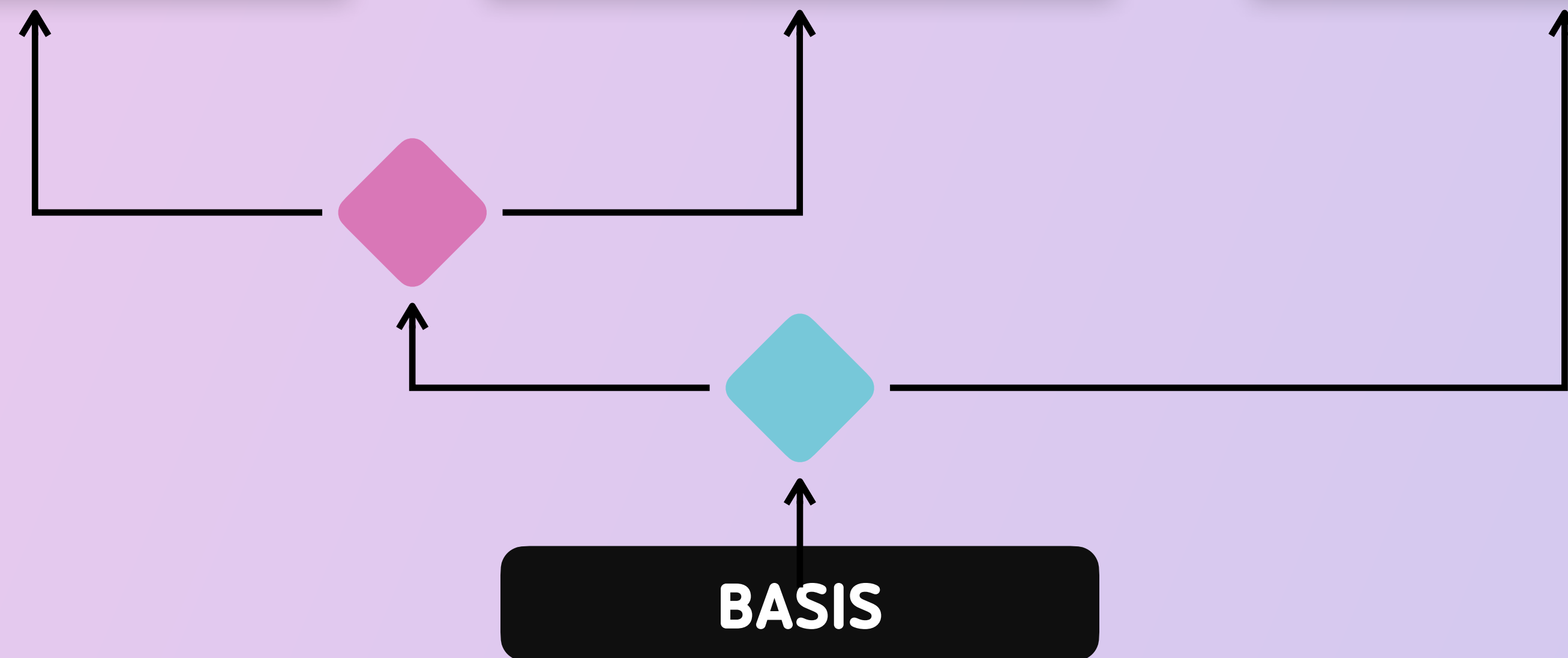


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Design-System



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DESIGNSYSTEME

Design System vs Styleguide

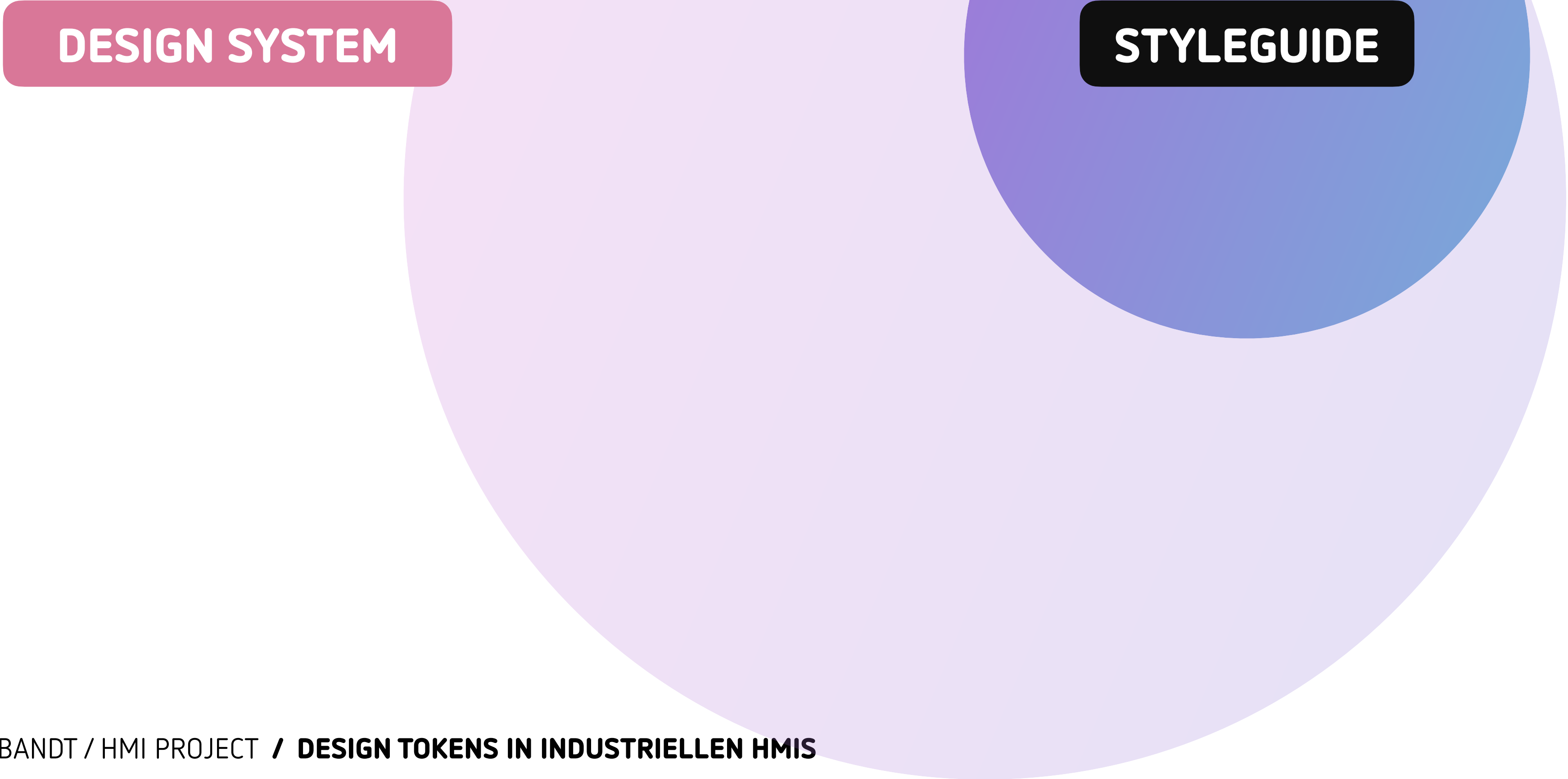
Design System

- Austauschbasis zwischen Design und Entwicklung
- Toolkit
- Infrastruktur für die Produktentwicklung
- Enthält technische Implementierungsdetails

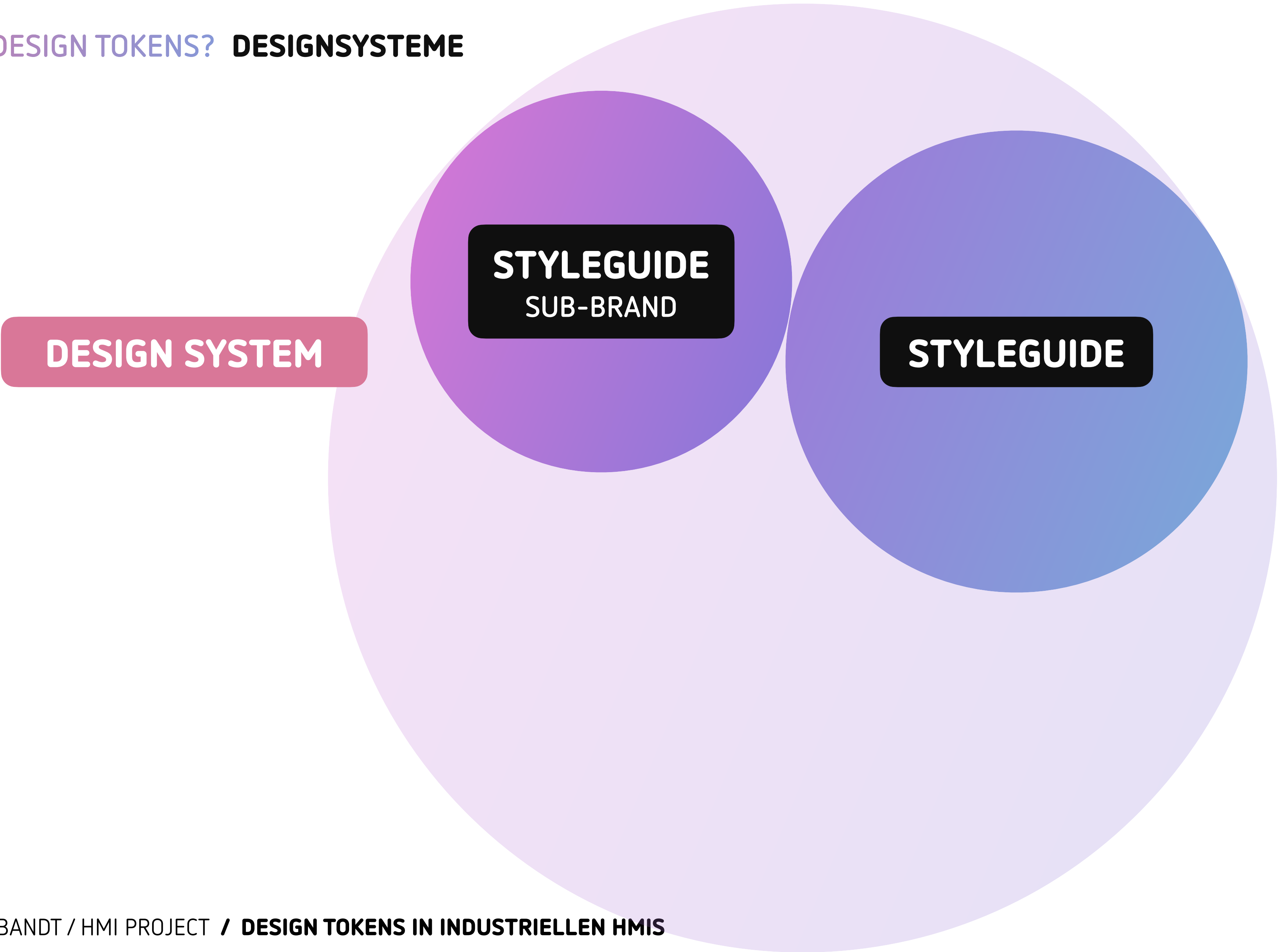
Styleguide

- Von Designern für Designer
- Design-Regelwerk
- Medien-unabhängig bzw. übergreifend (Print bis Interfaces)
- Fokus auf Marken- bzw. Design-Konsistenz
- Teil eines Designsystem

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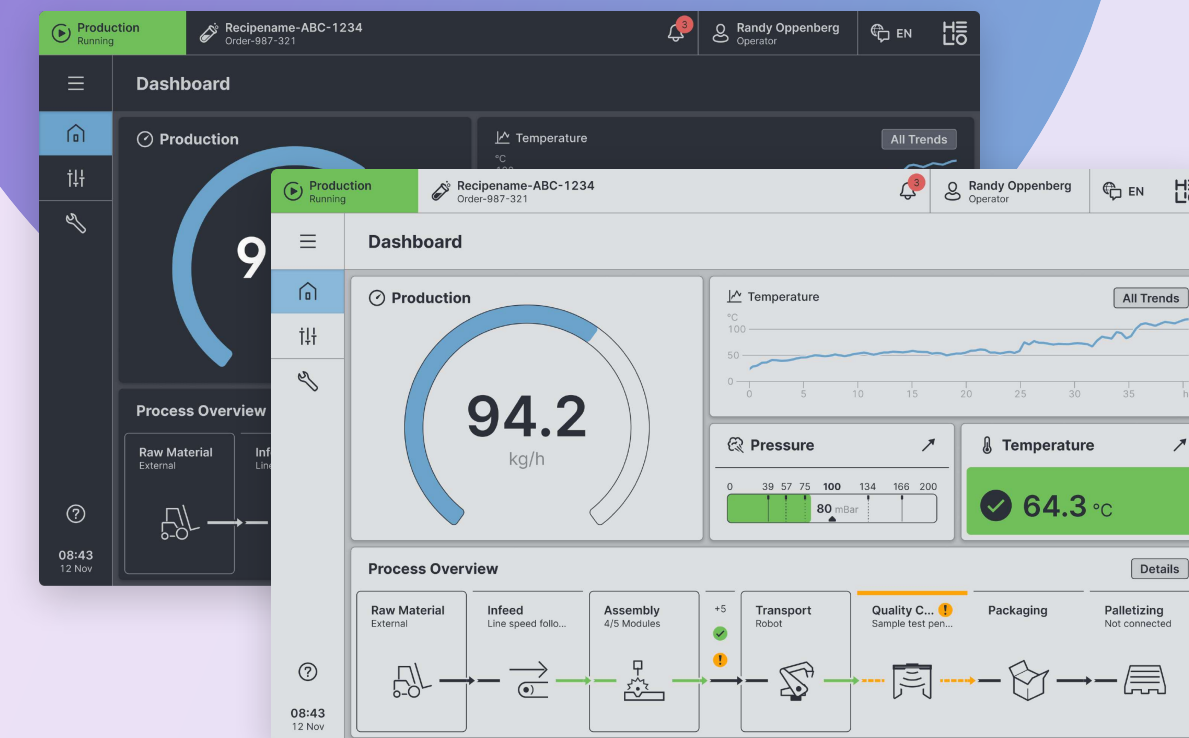
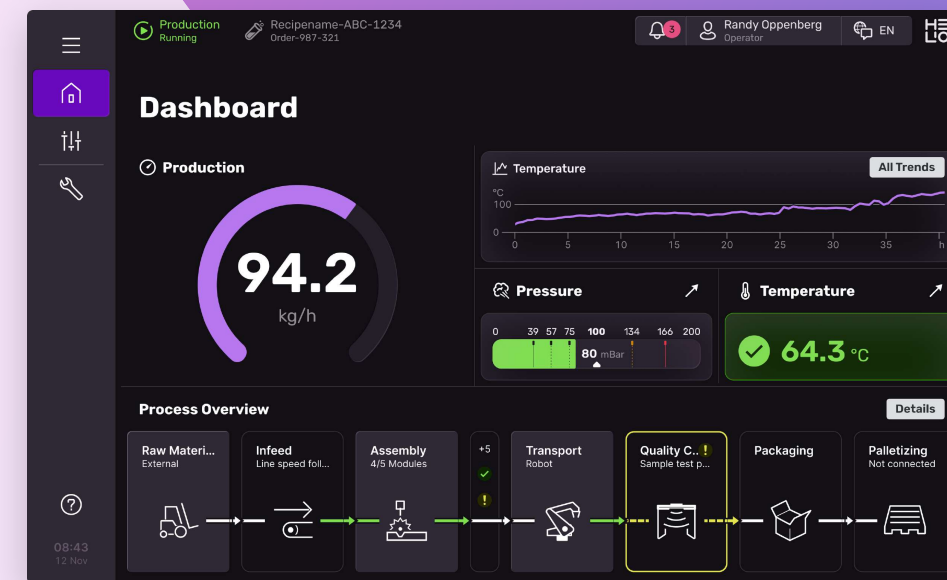


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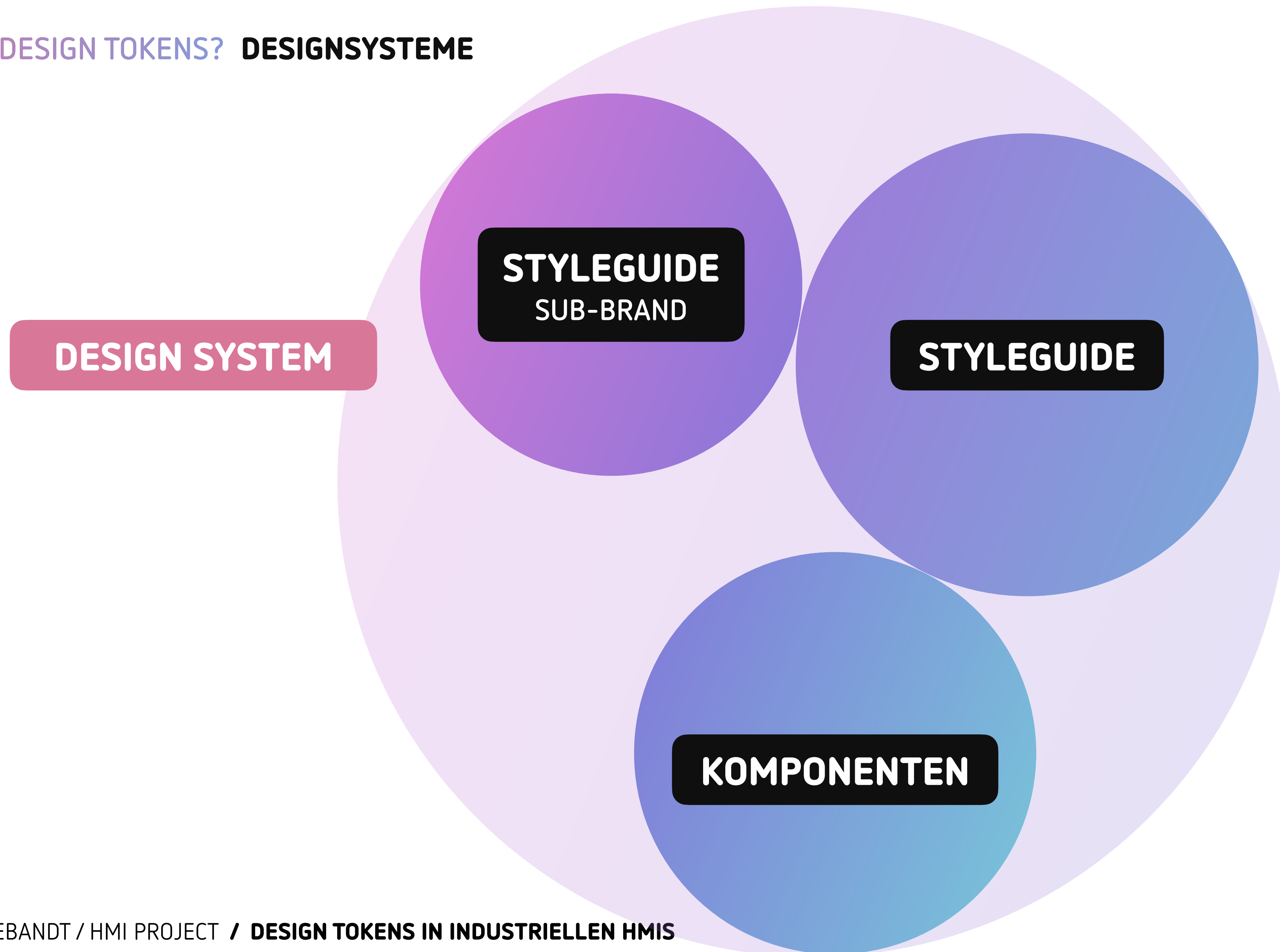
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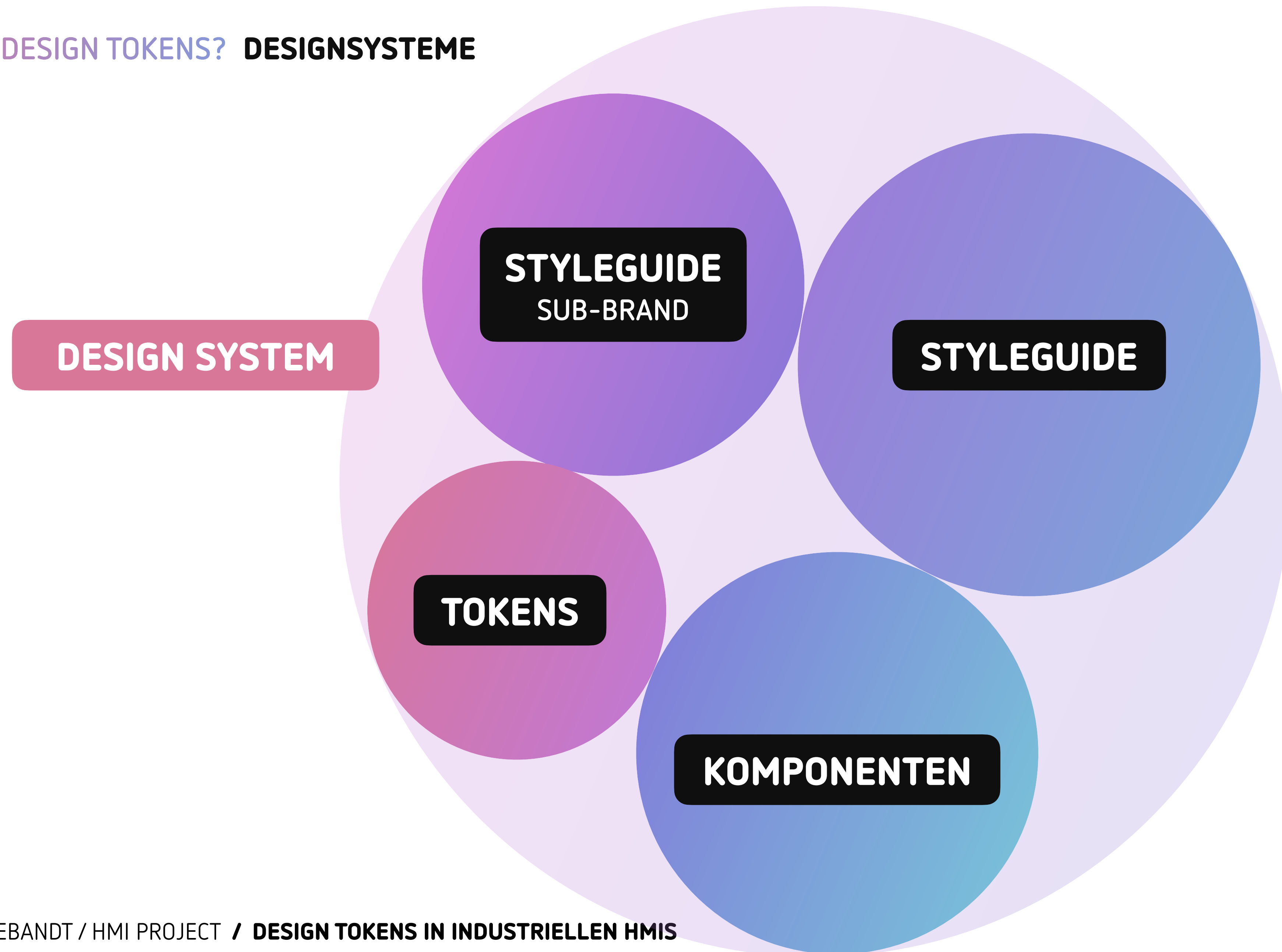
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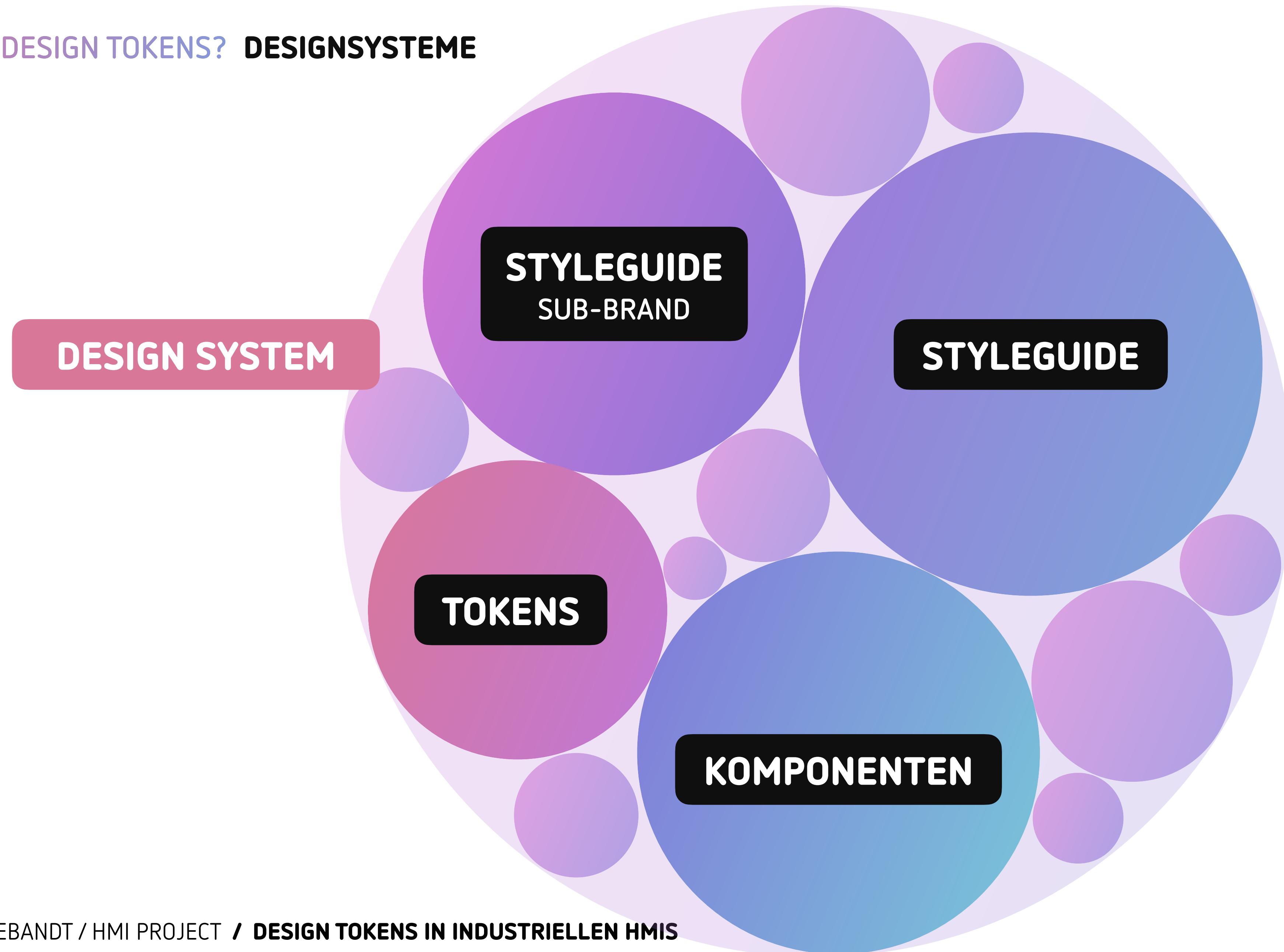
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DESIGN SYSTEM

**STYLEGUIDE
SUB-BRAND**

STYLEGUIDE

TOKENS

KOMPONENTEN

Sind Tokens nicht
einfach Stile?

Sind Tokens nicht
einfach CSS?

- Standardisiertes Format
- Platform-agnostic
- Der Austausch von Tokens ist zentraler Bestandteil ihrer Idee
- Ermöglicht: Best-Practice zum Aufbau von UI Projekten über alle Disziplinen

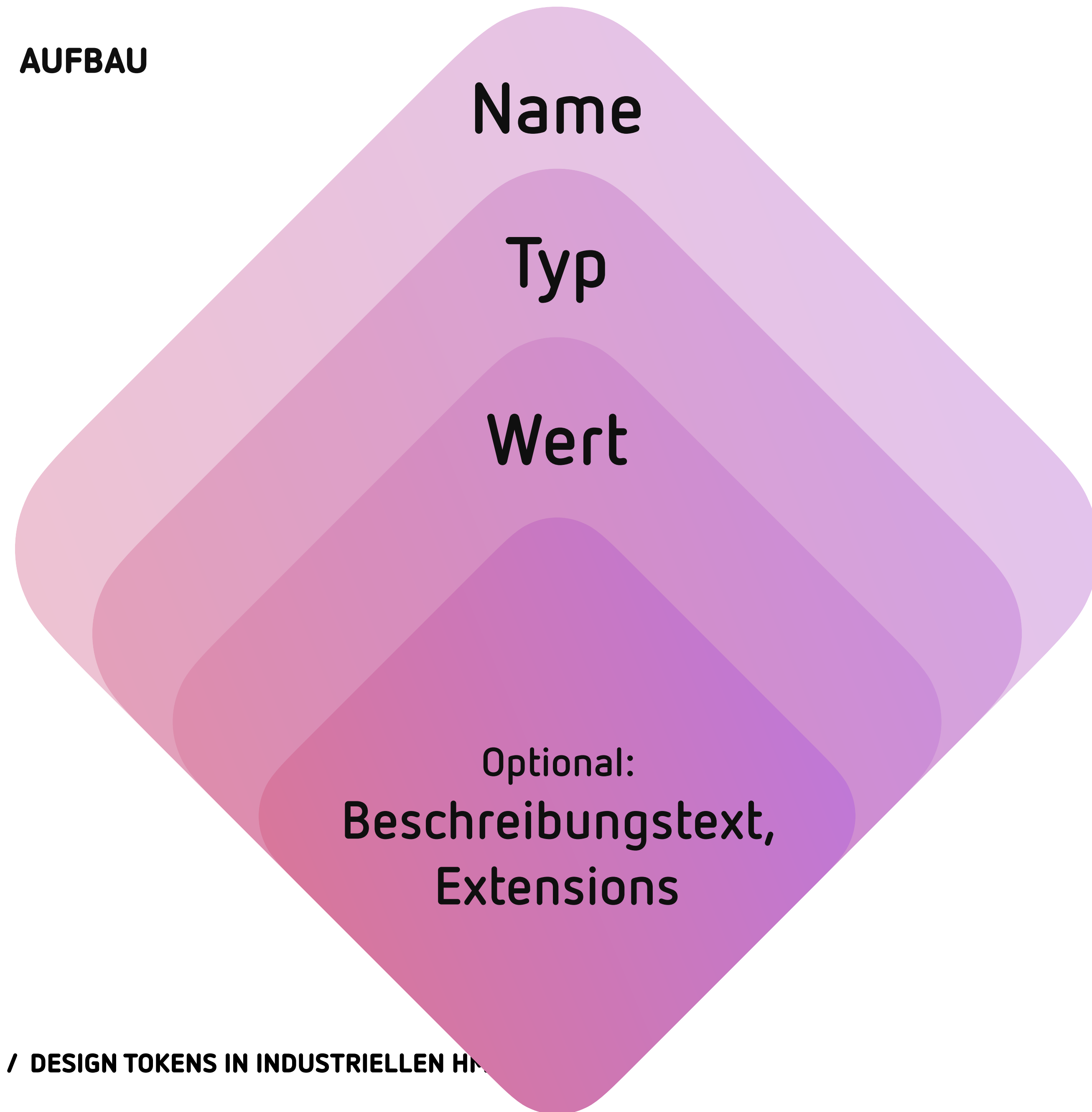
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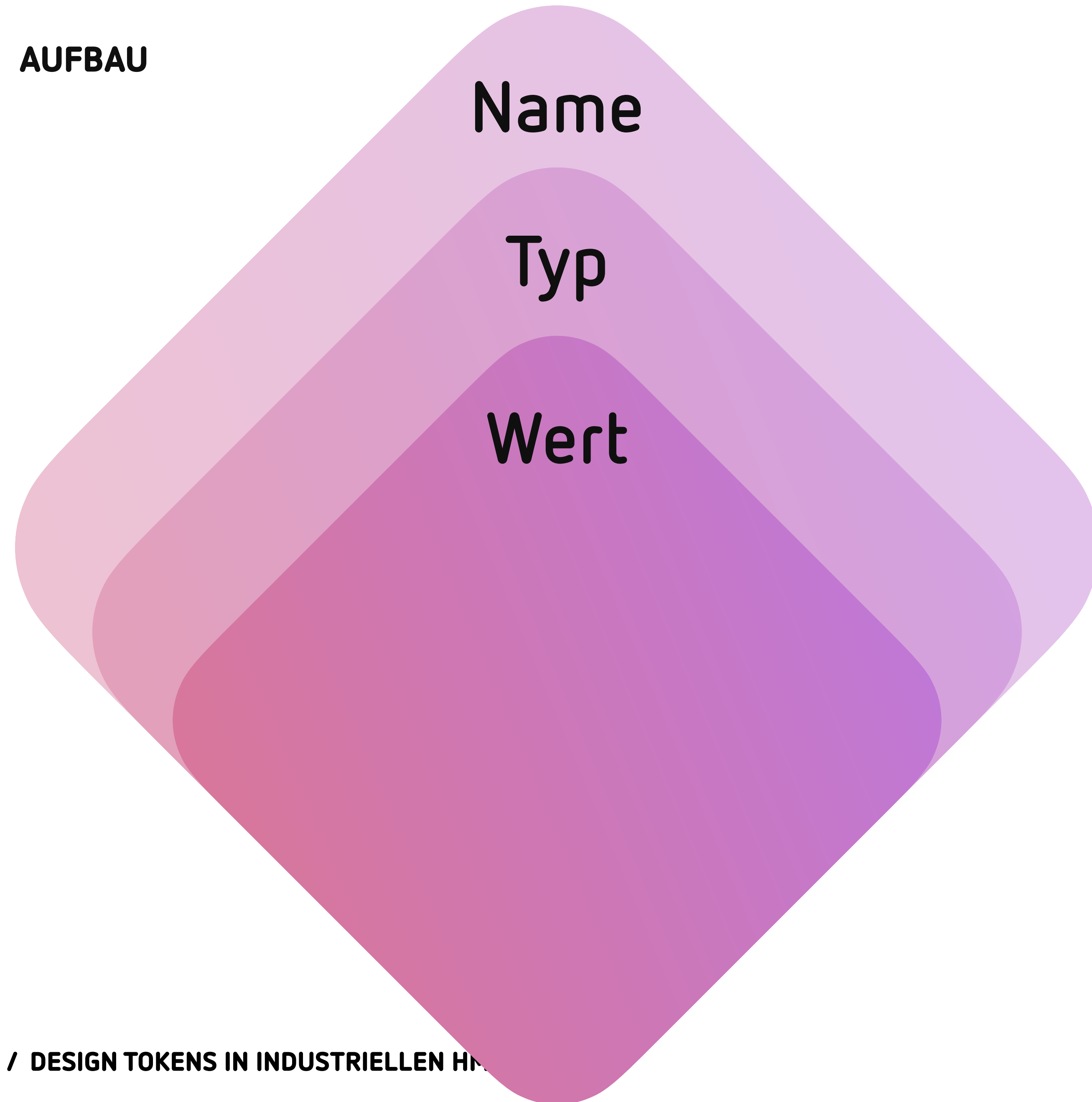


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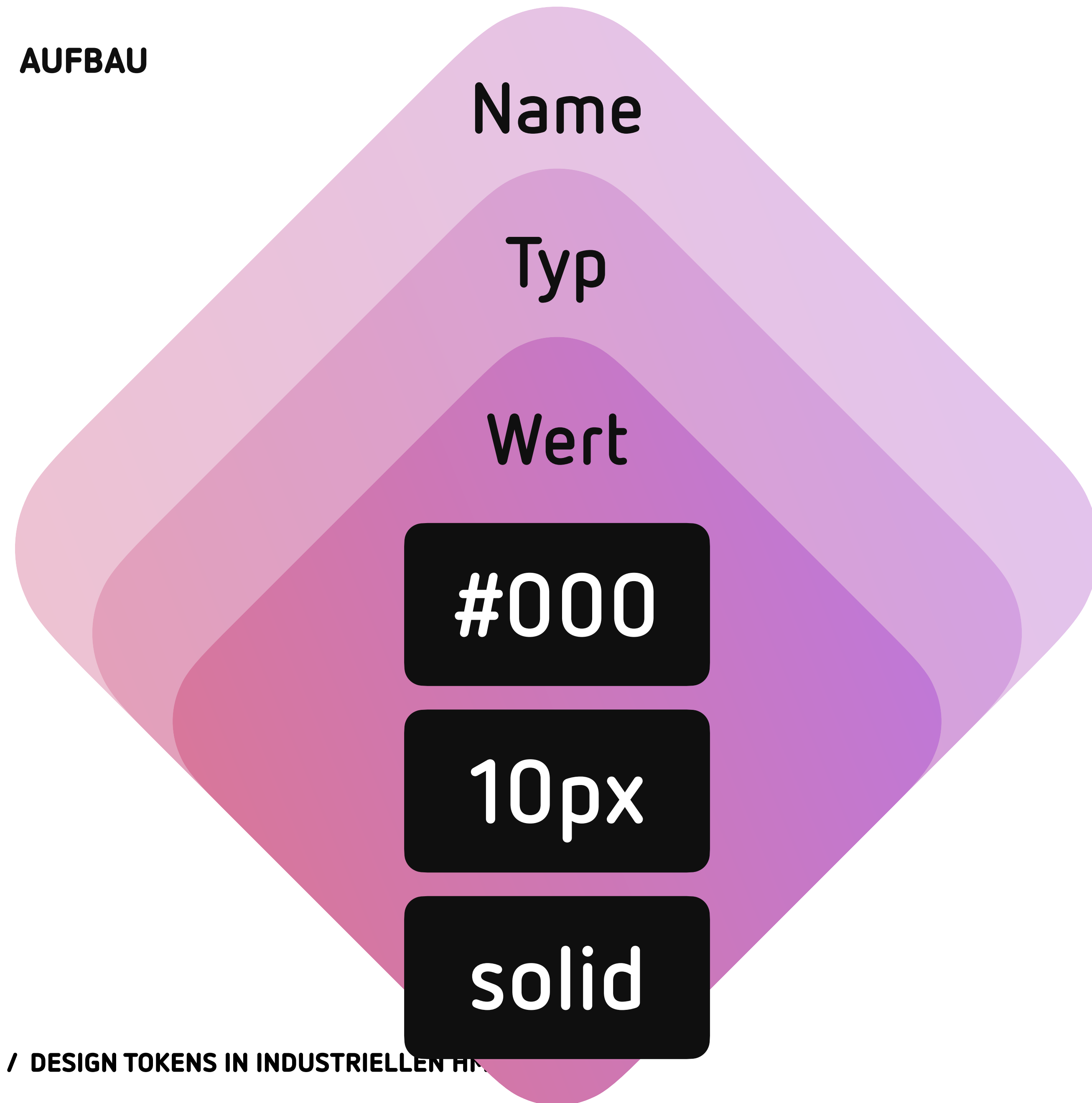
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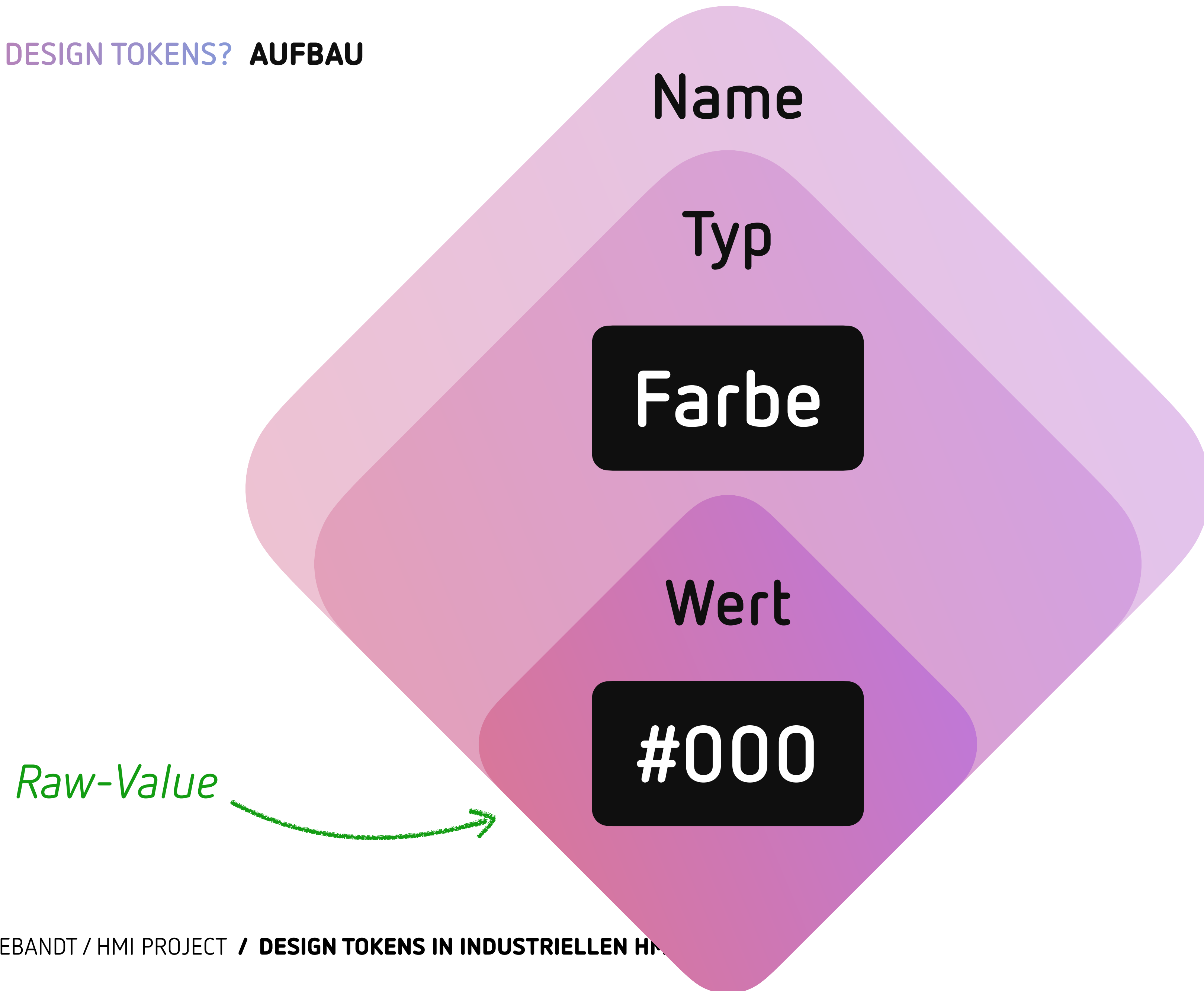
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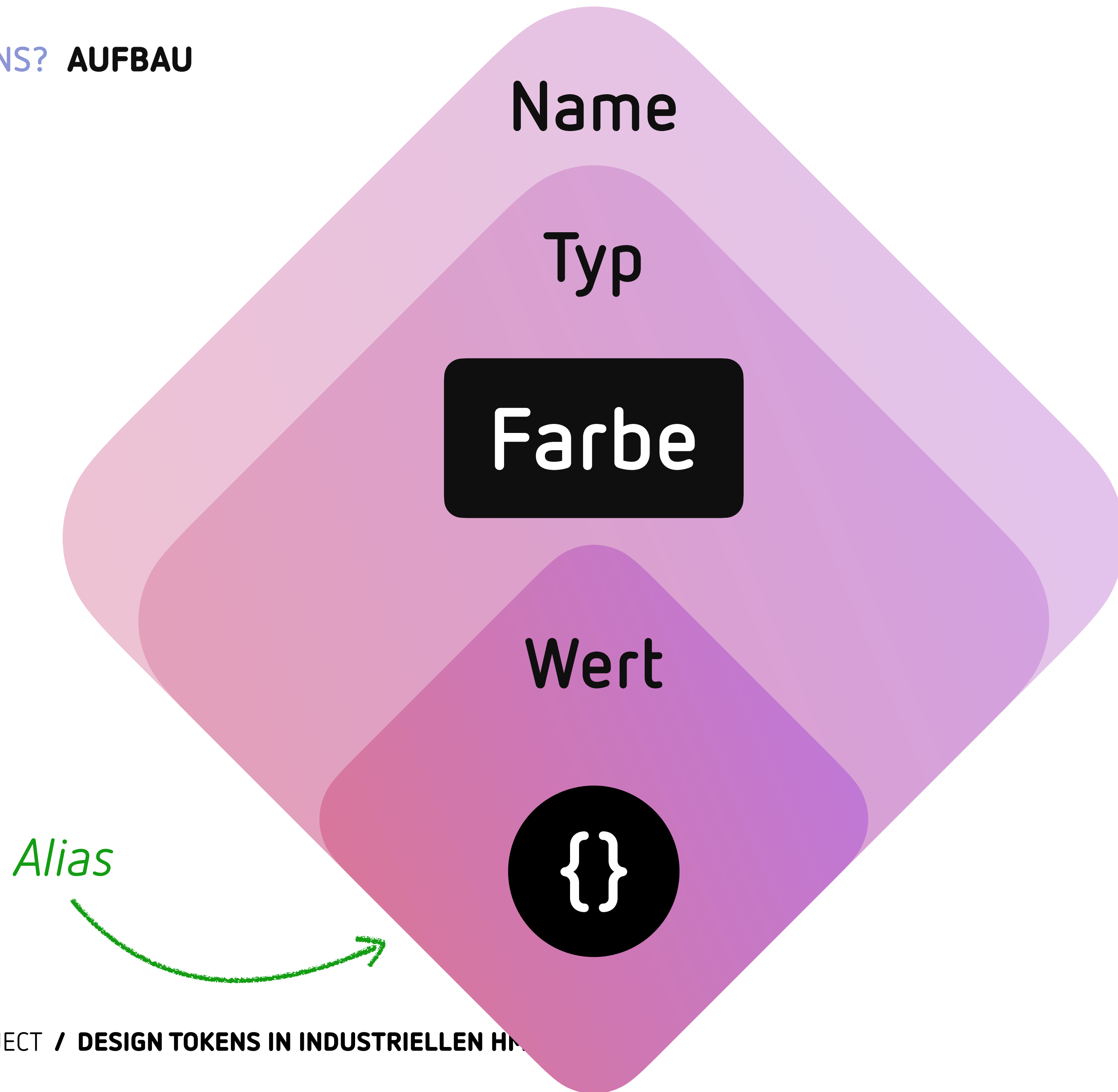
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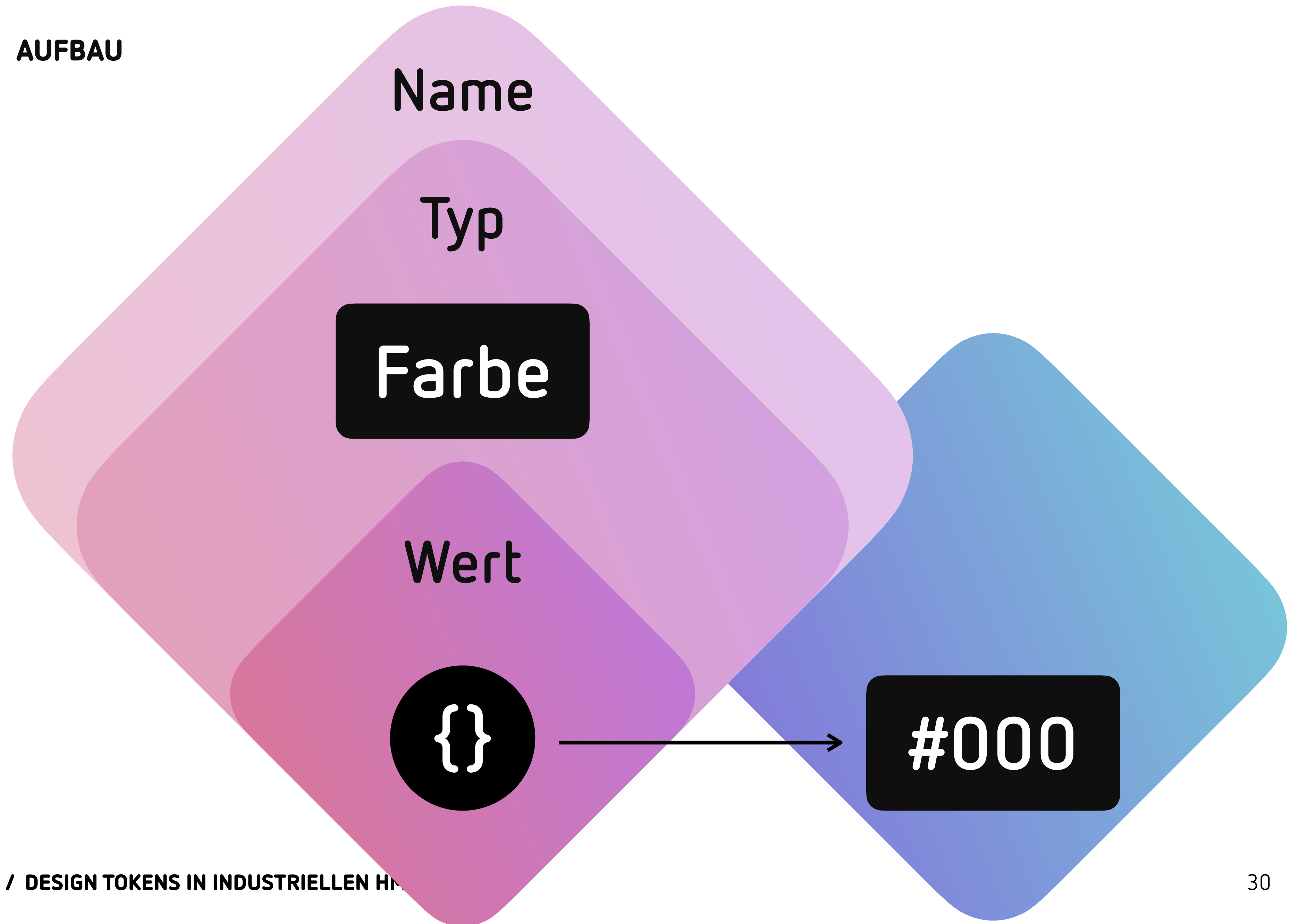
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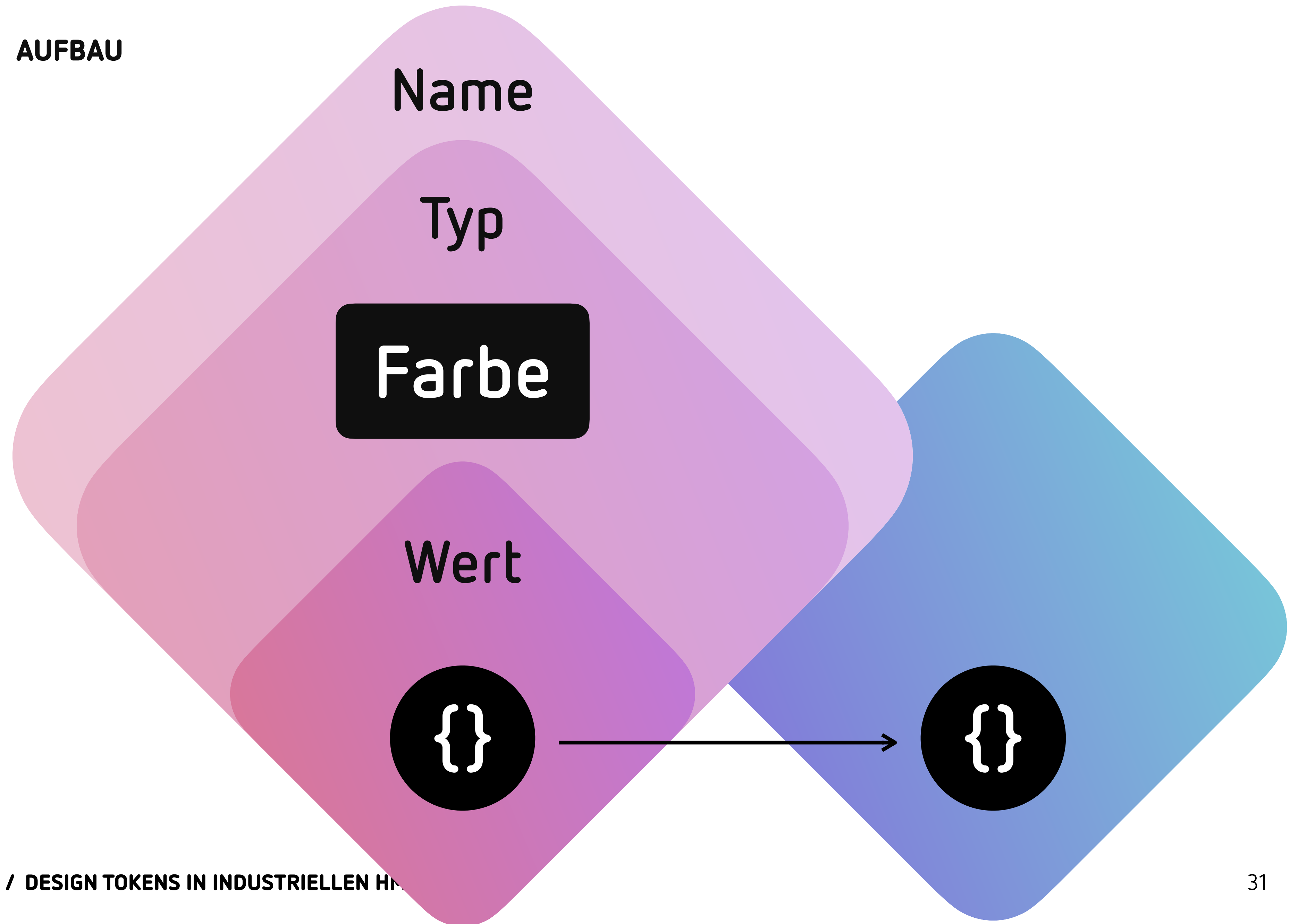
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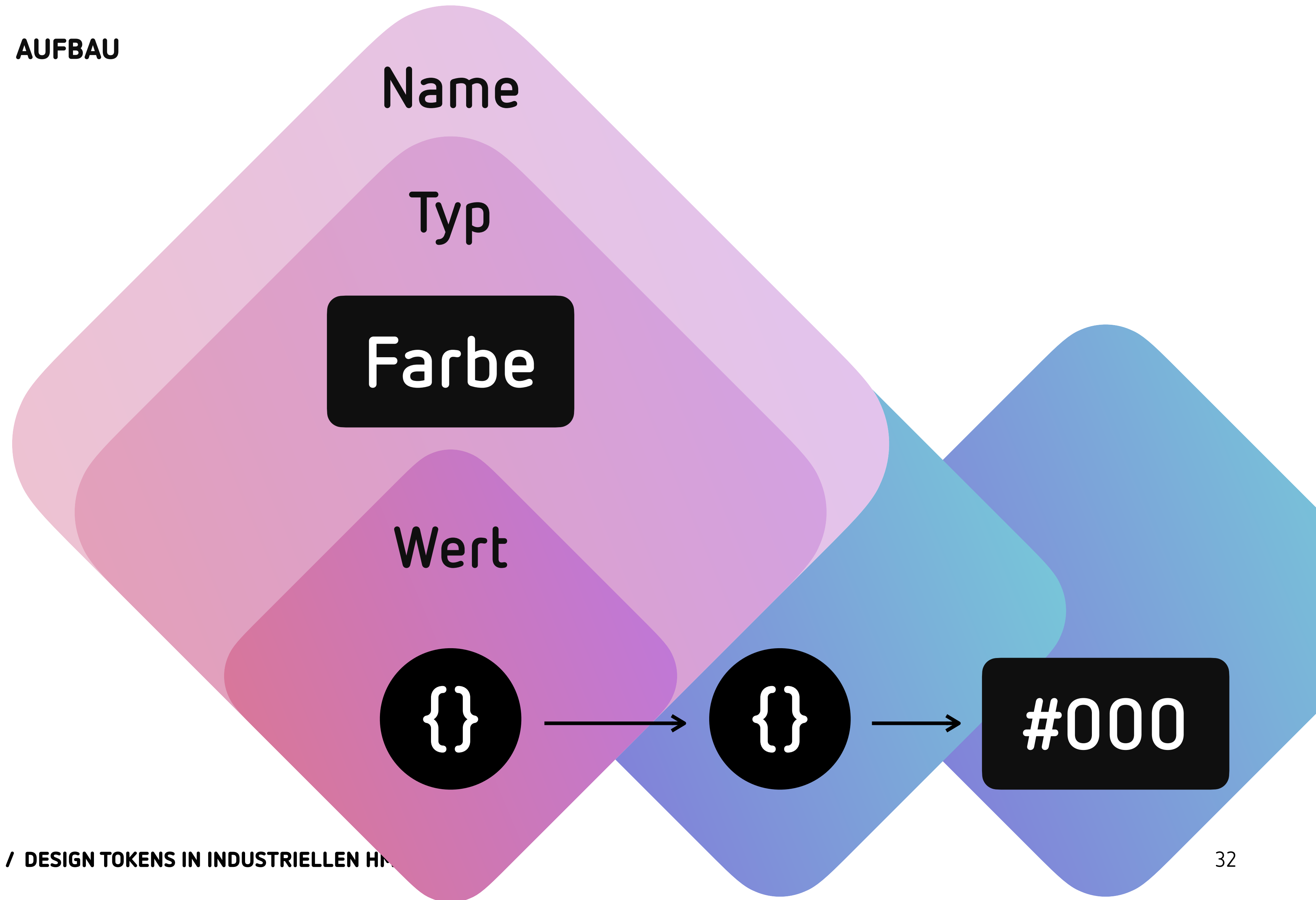
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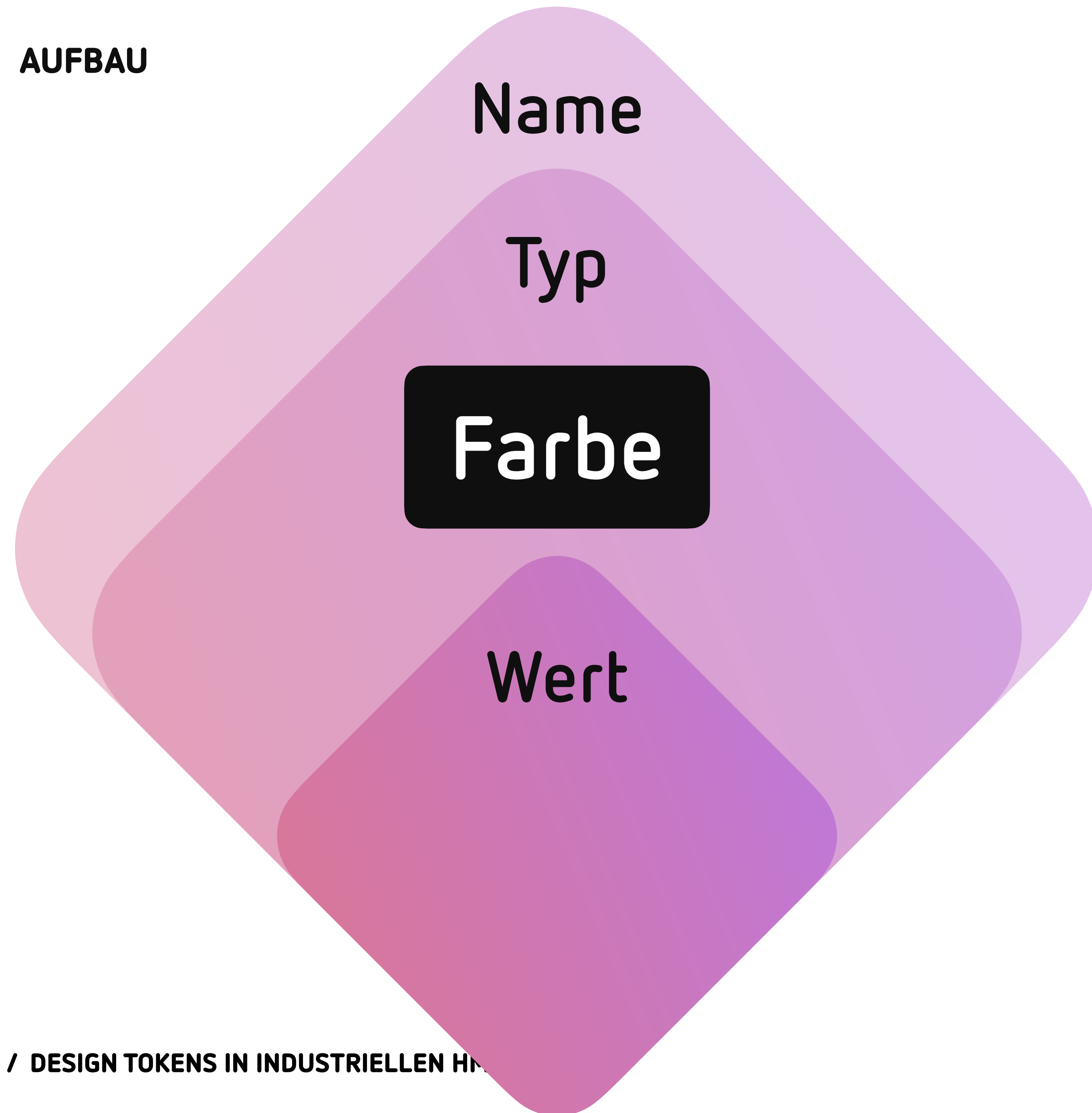
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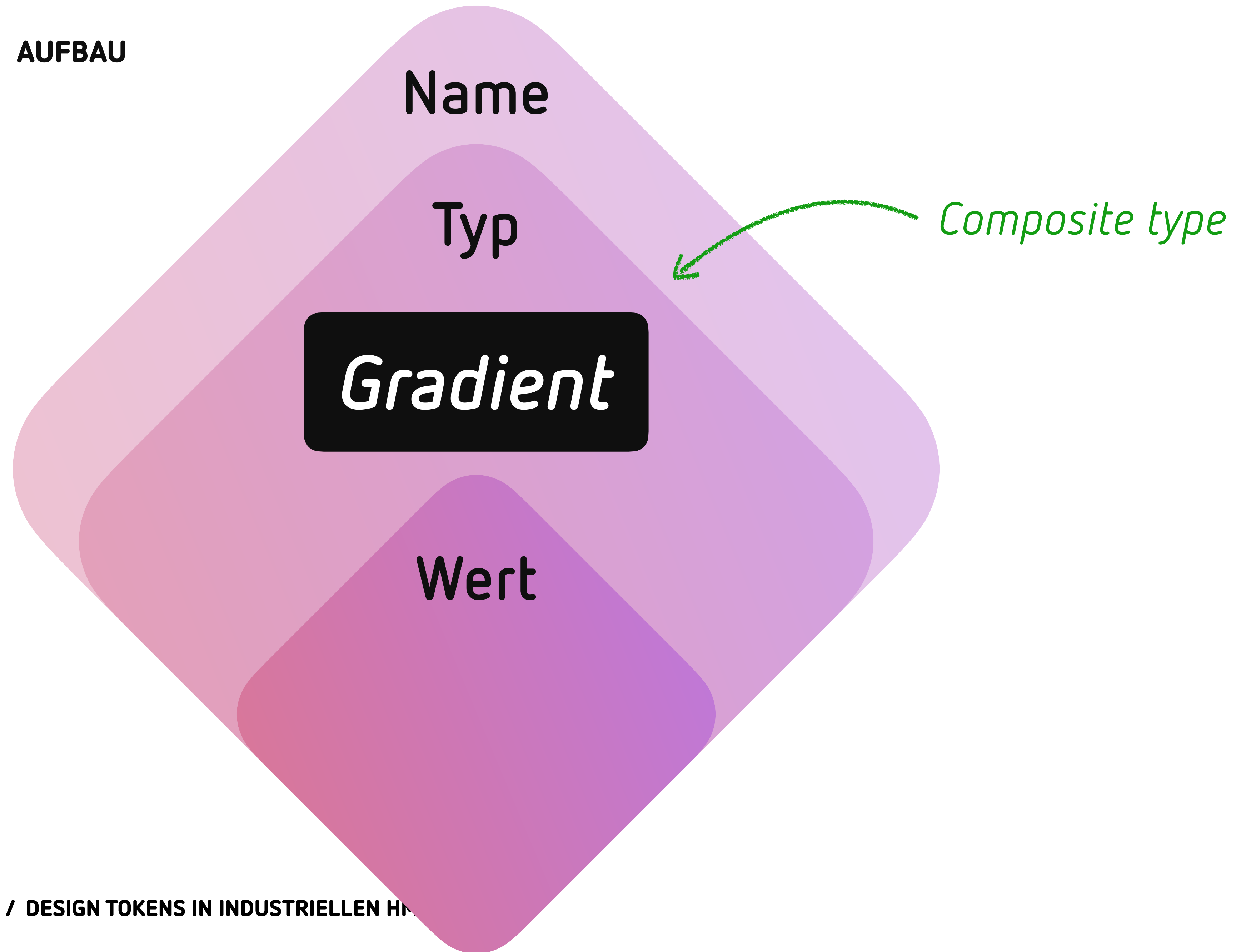
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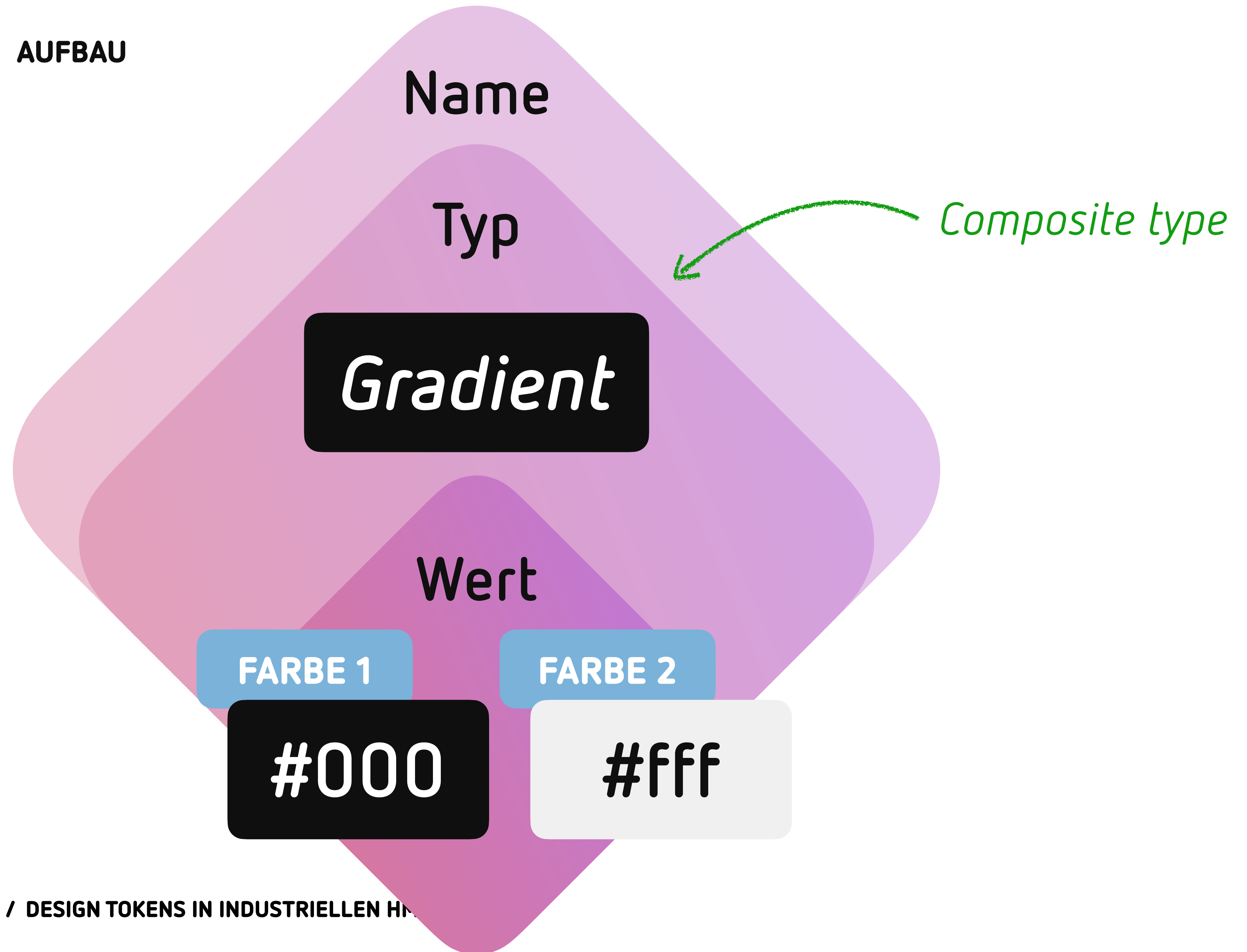
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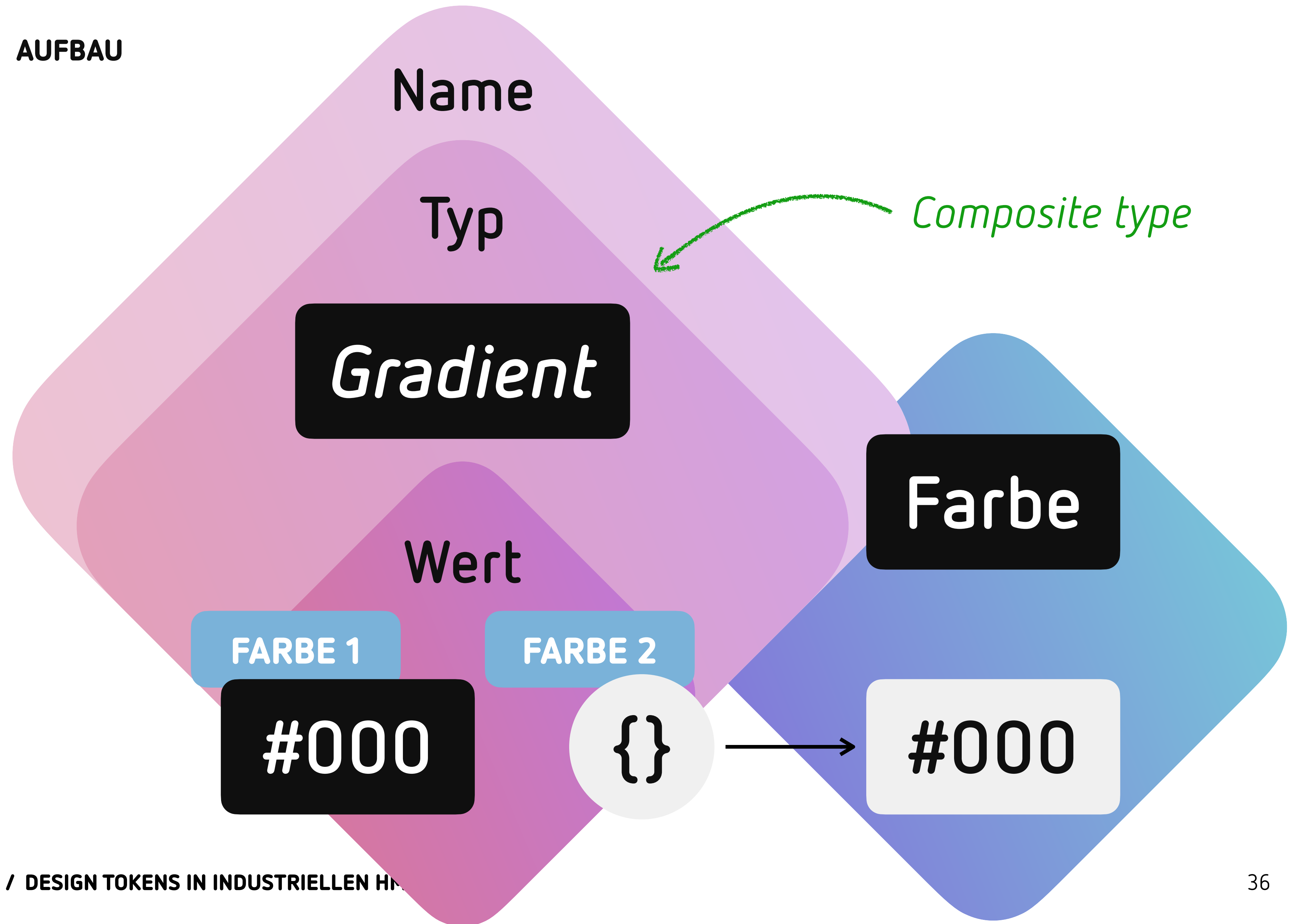
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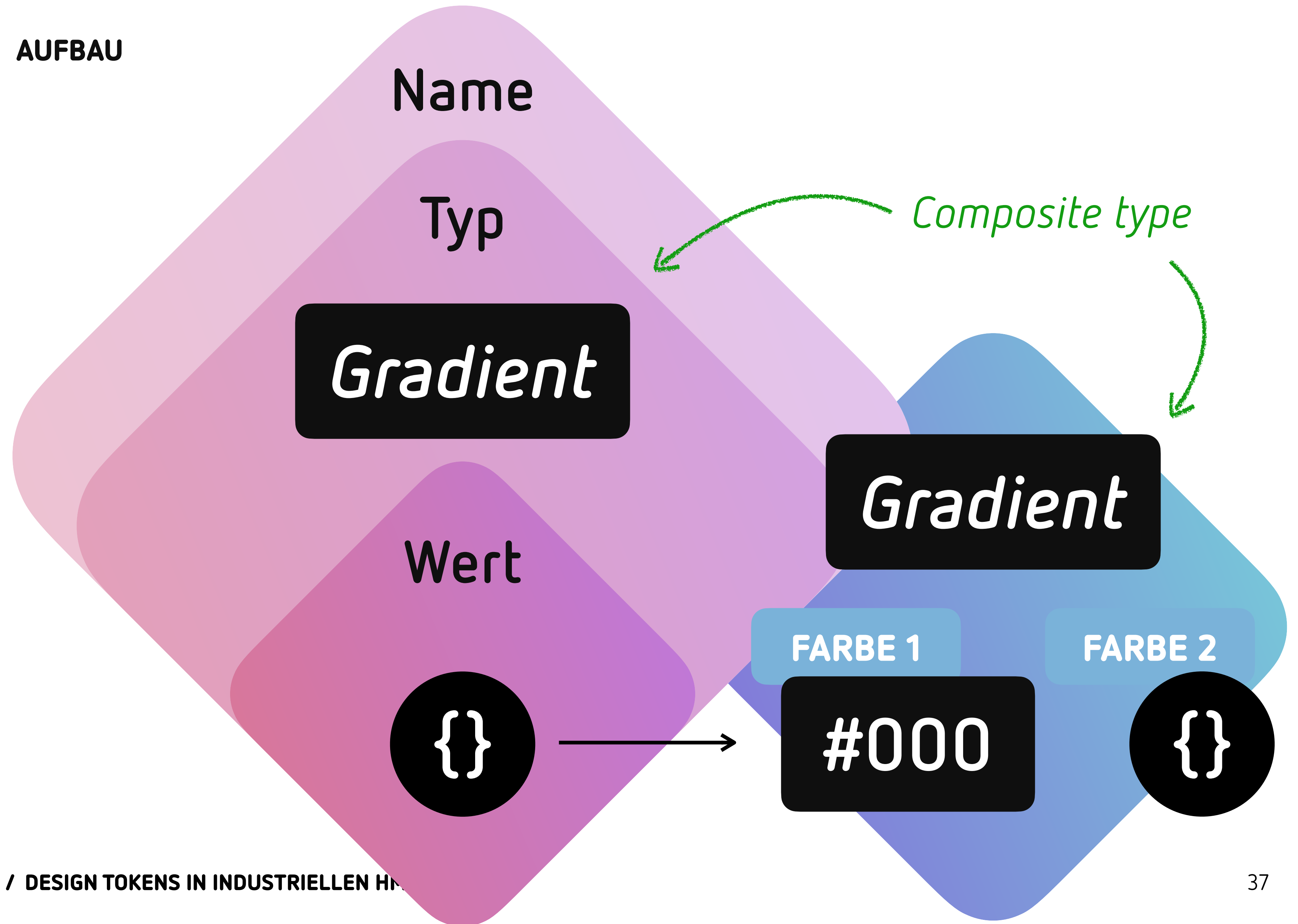


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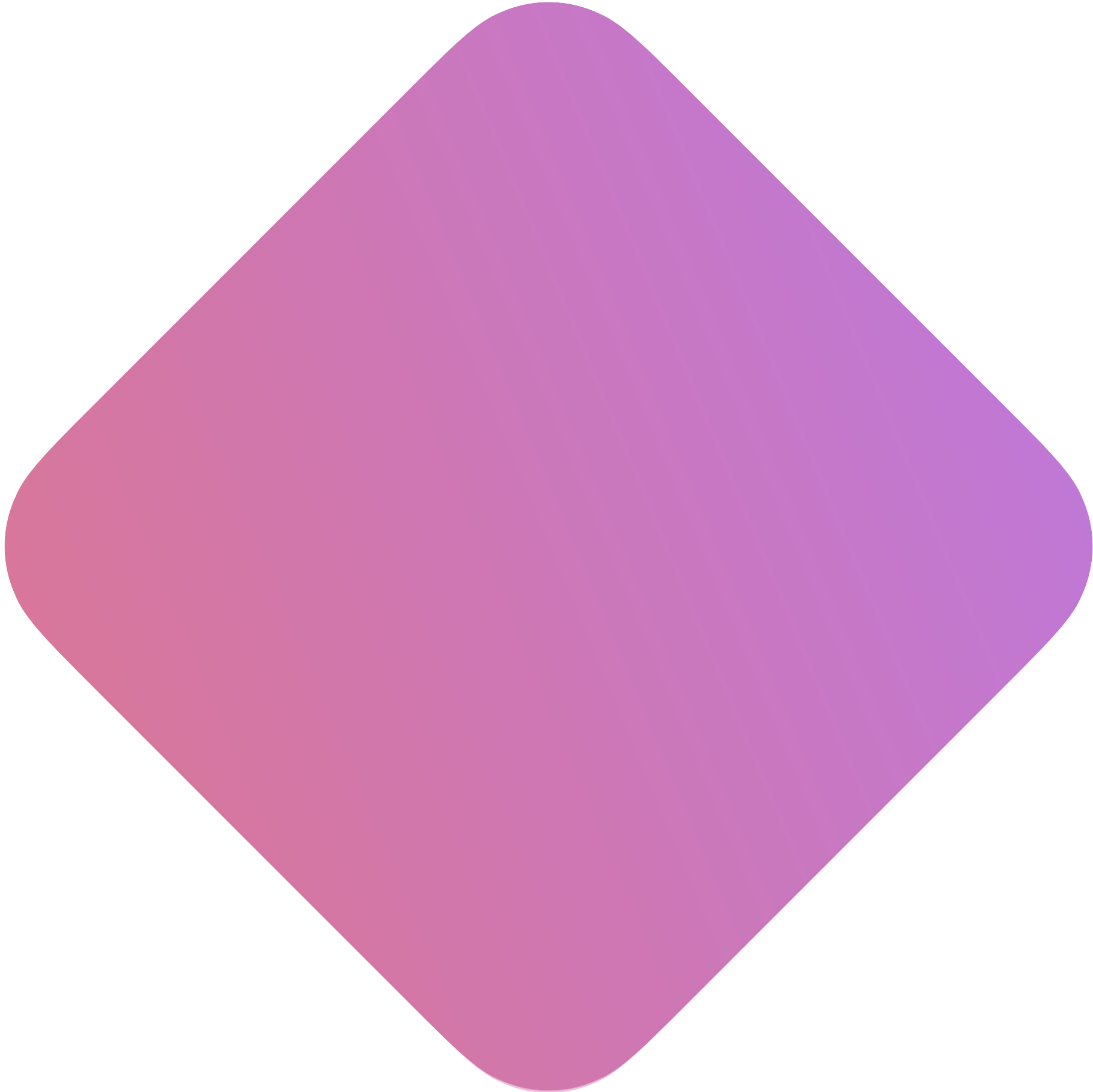


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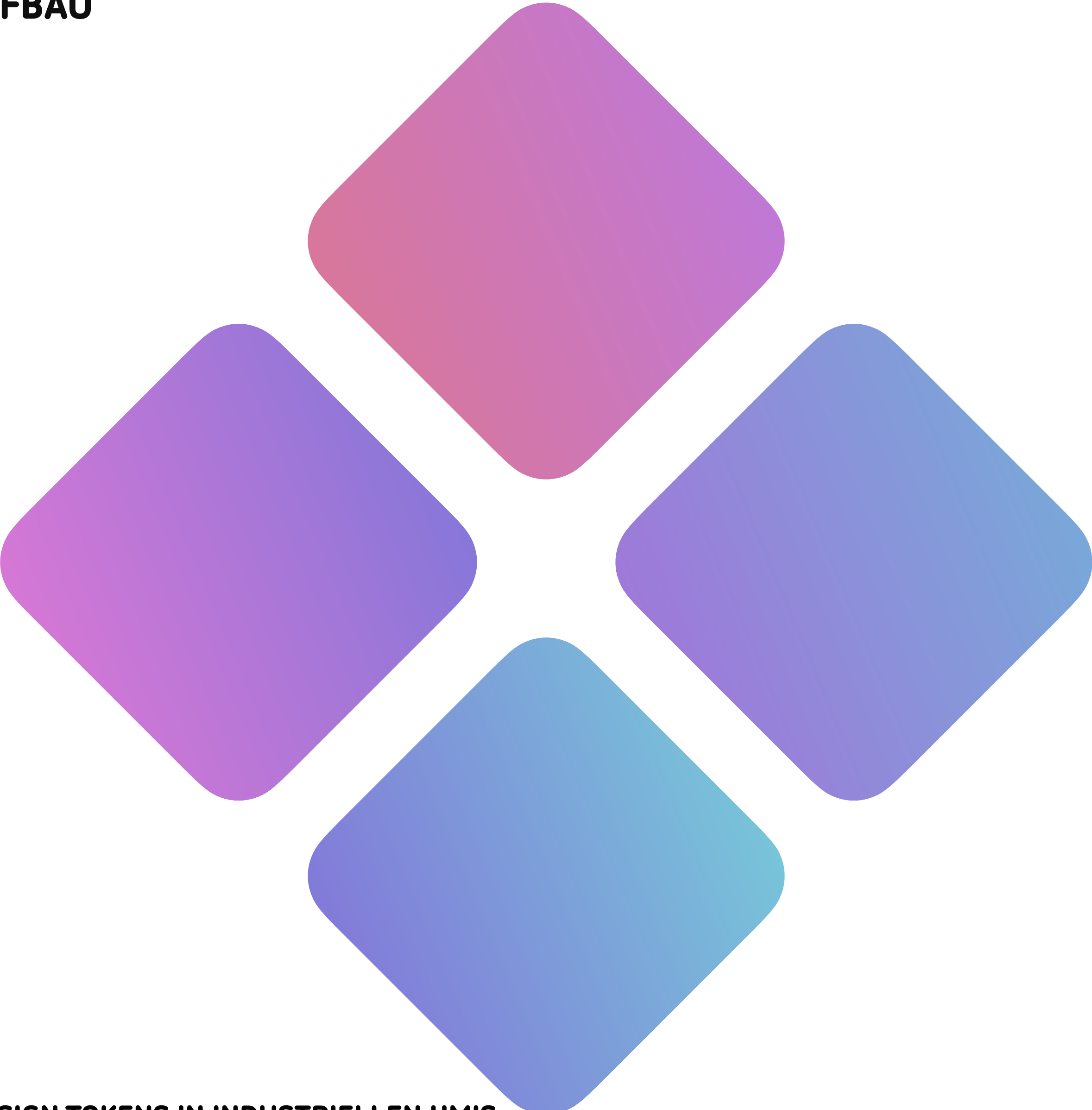




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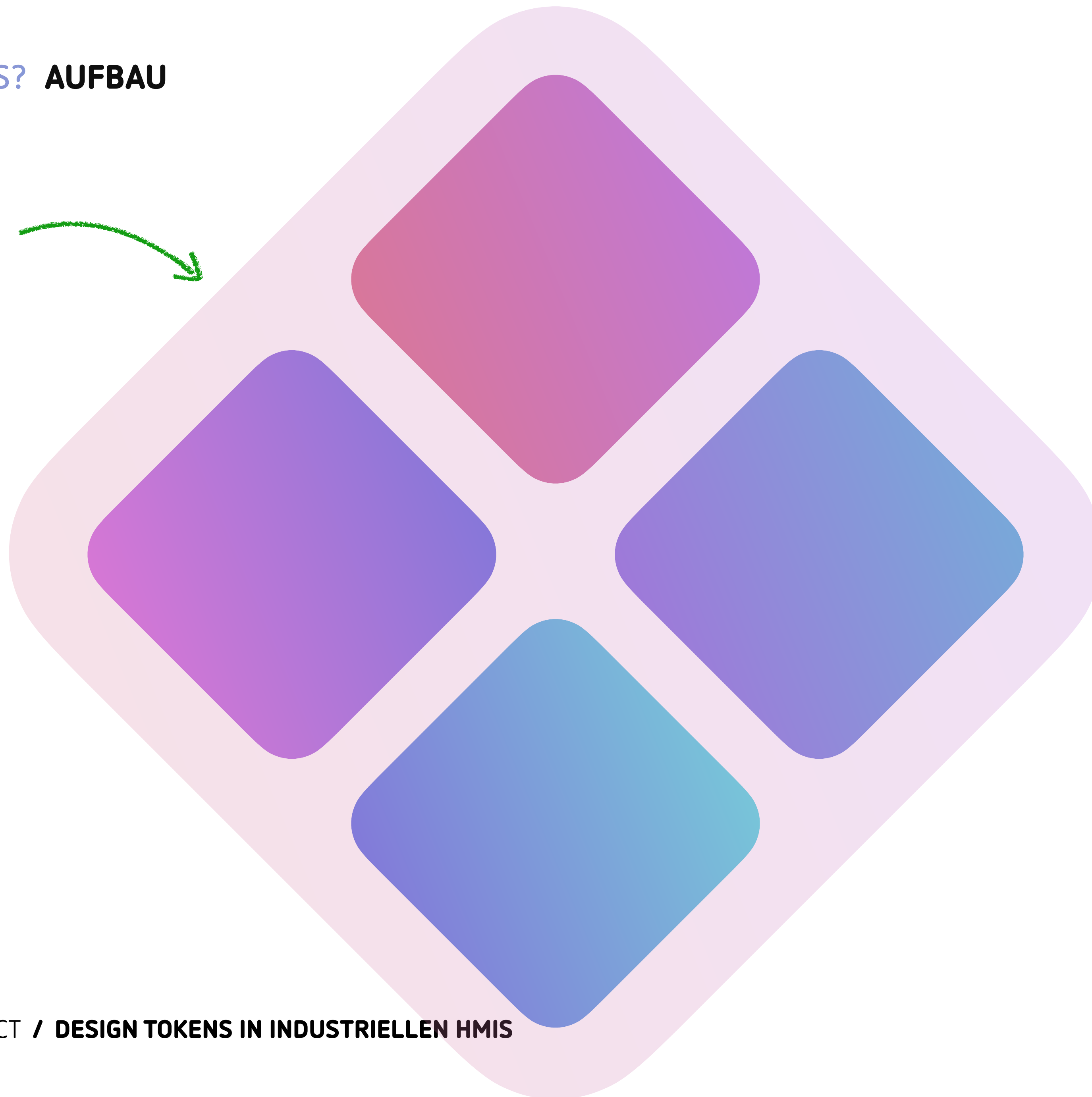


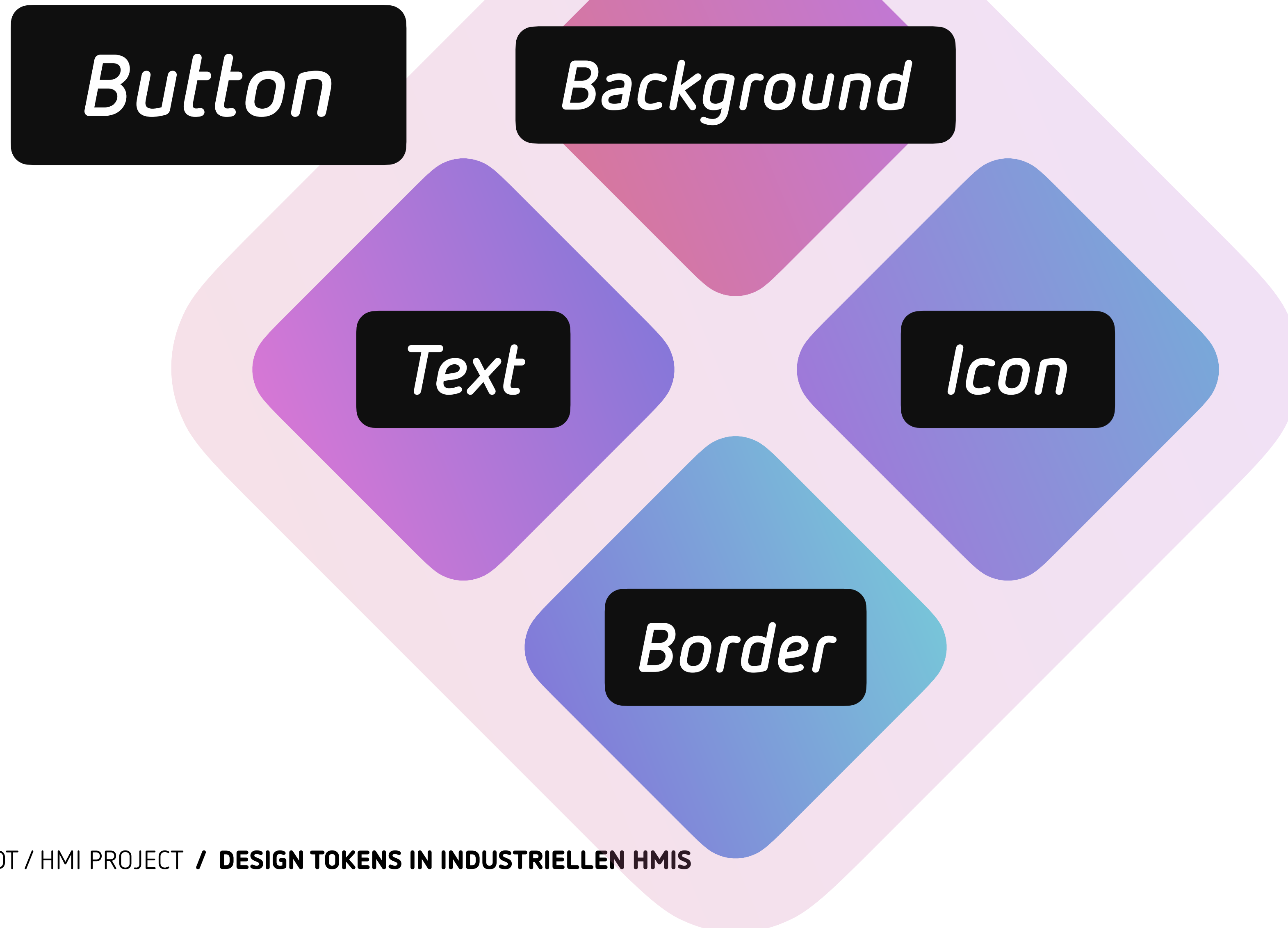
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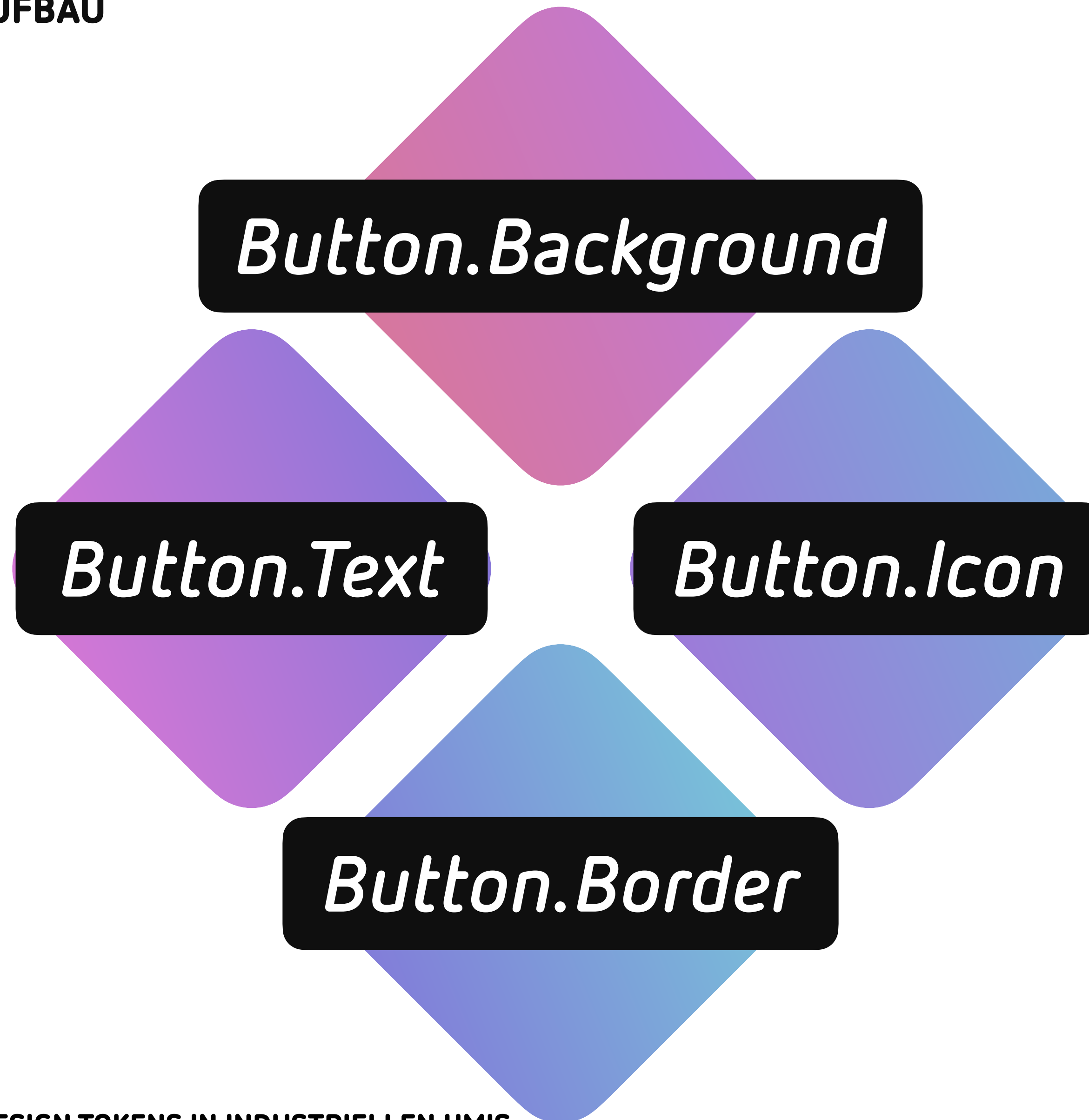


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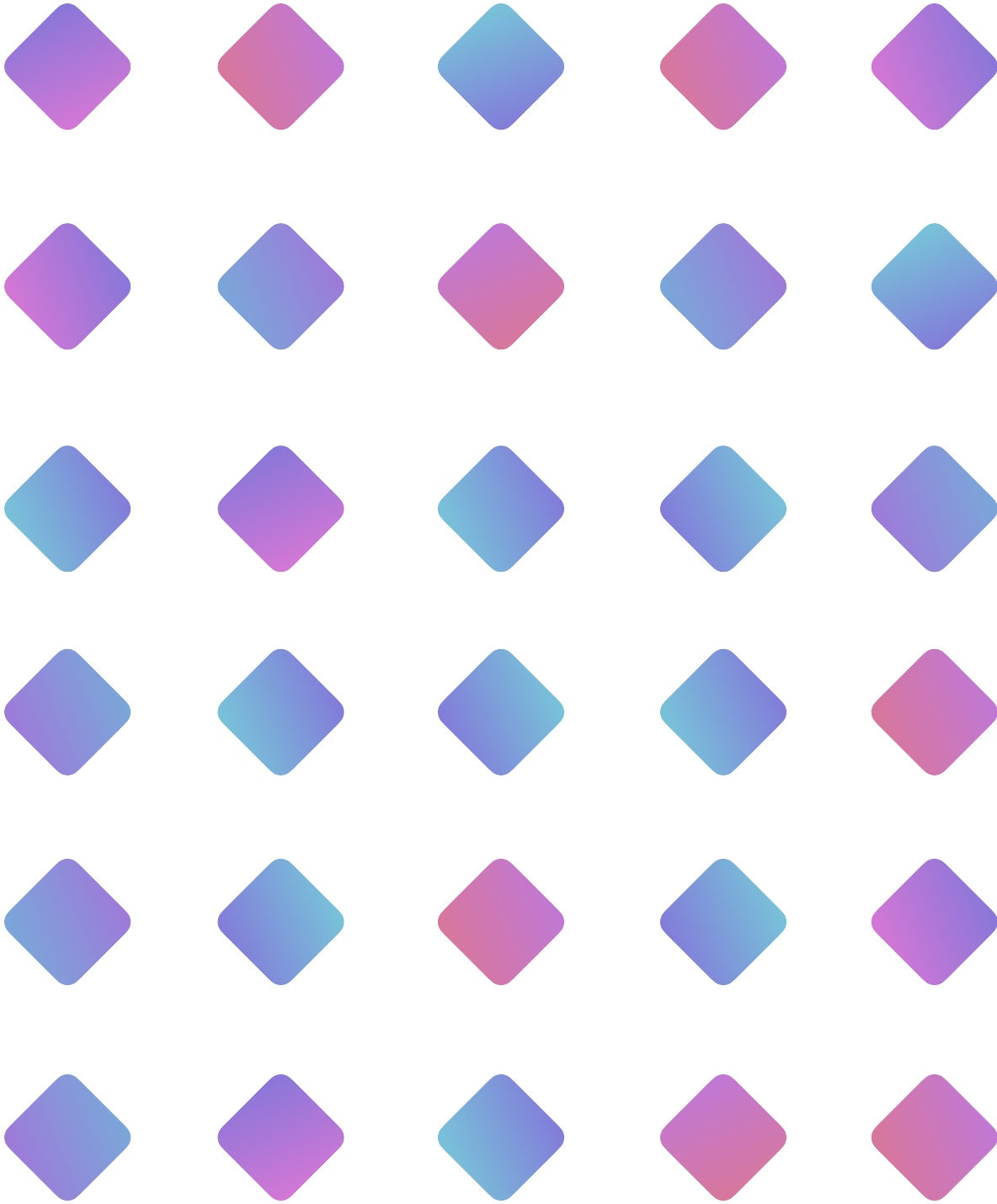




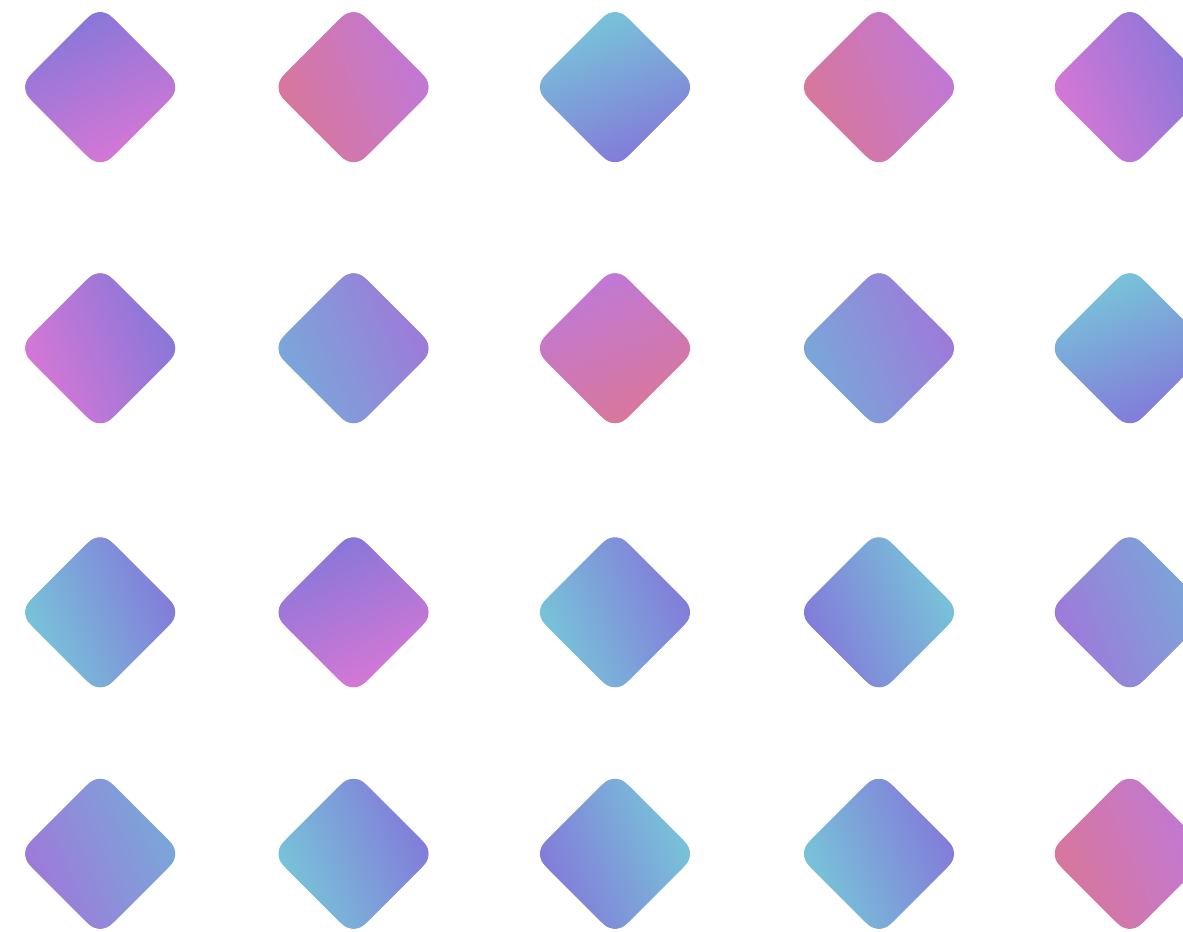
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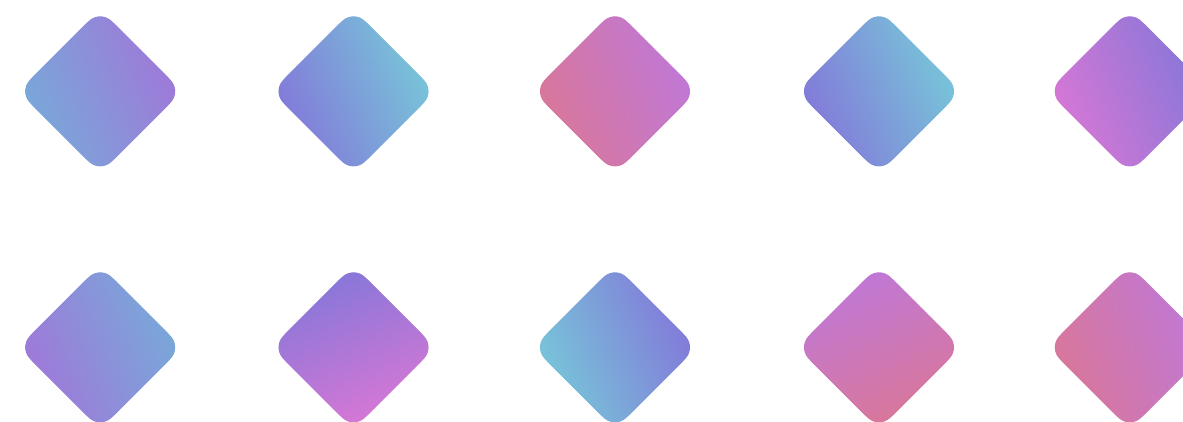
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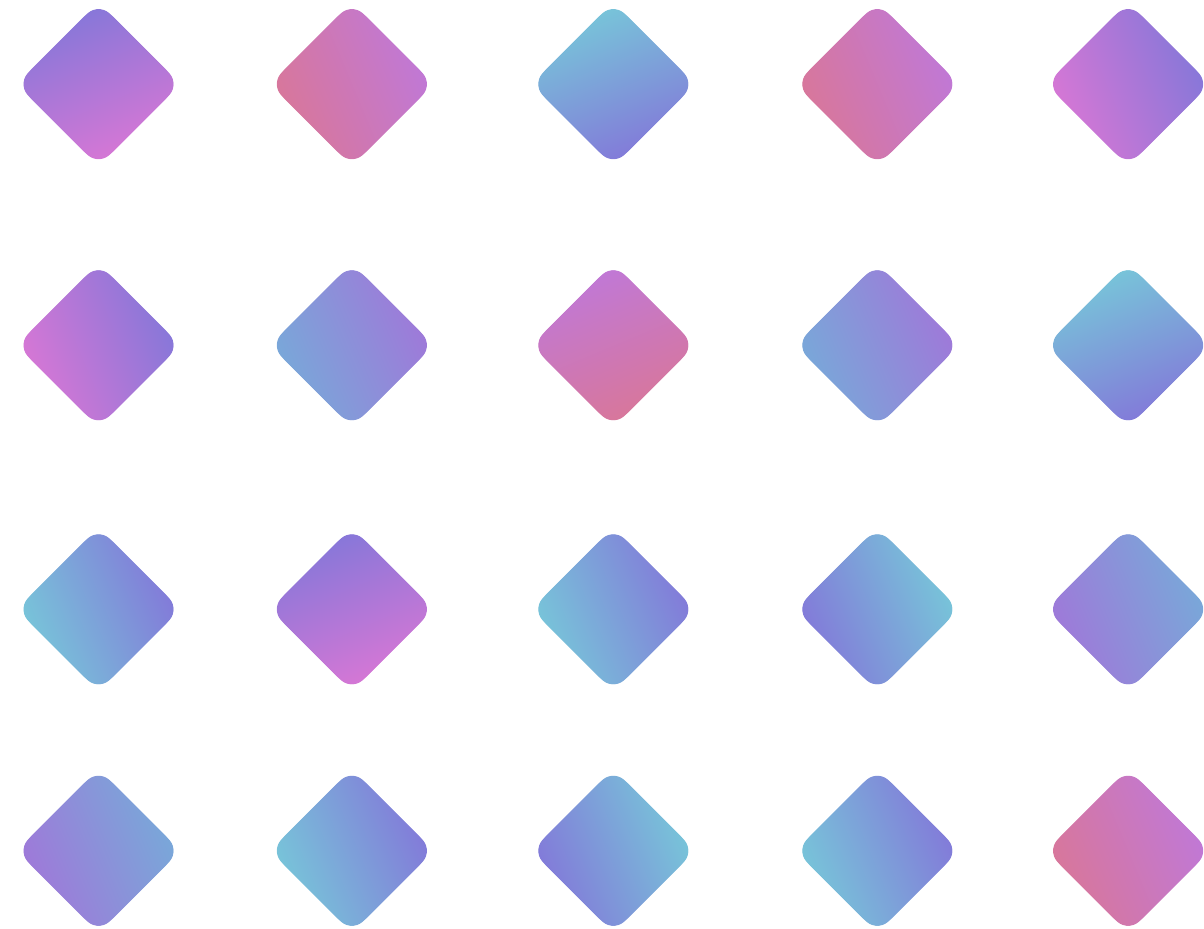
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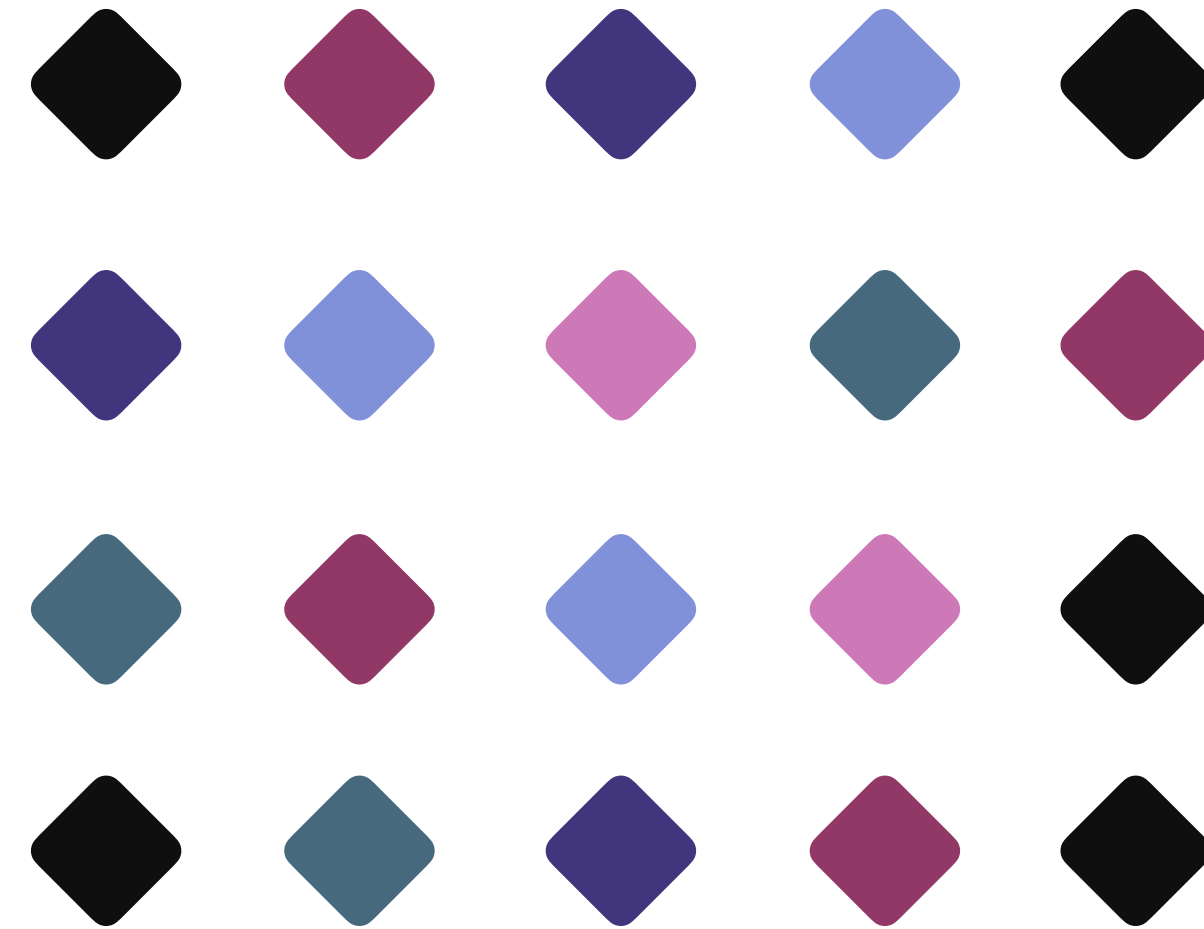
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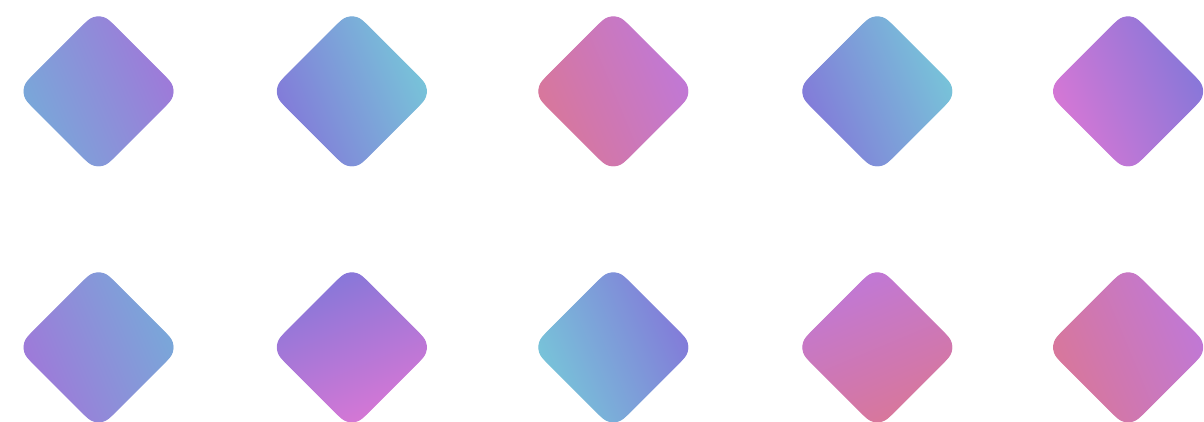


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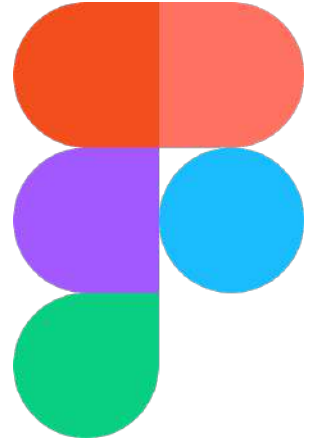
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- Diese Aufteilung ist eine Frage der Organisation innerhalb der **Design-Software**
- Sie wird nicht notwendigerweise exportiert, ist also nicht immer Teil des Austausches

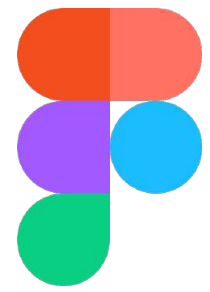
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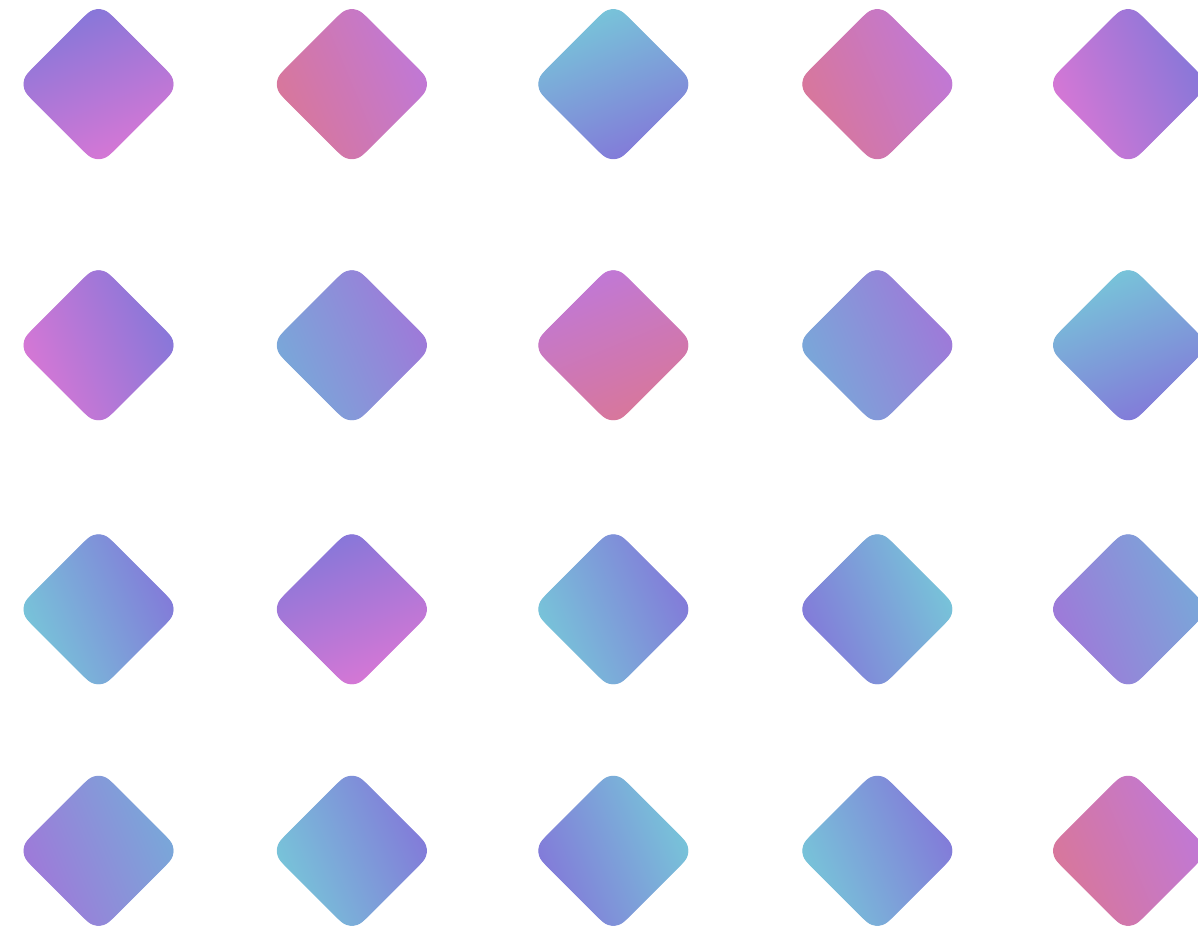
- Collections
- Modes

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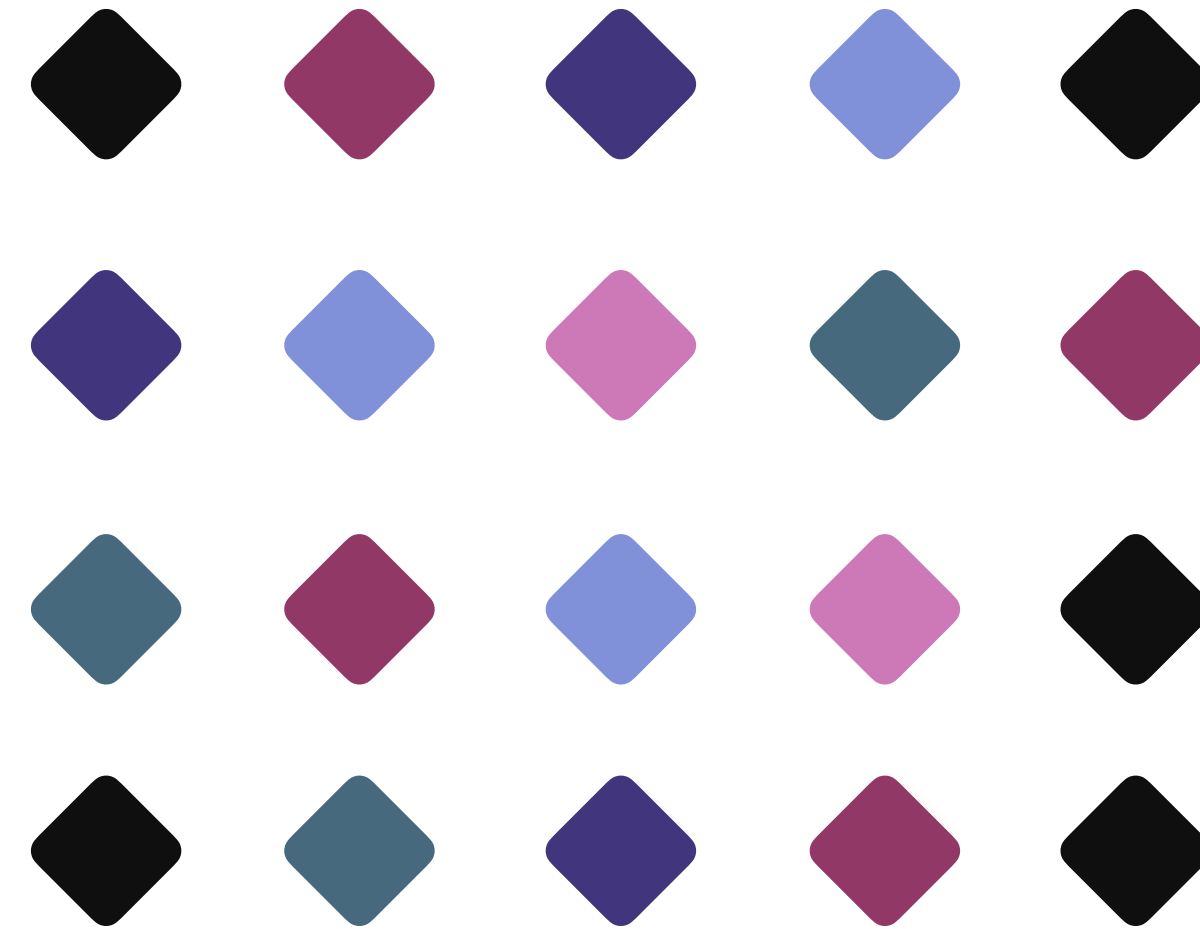


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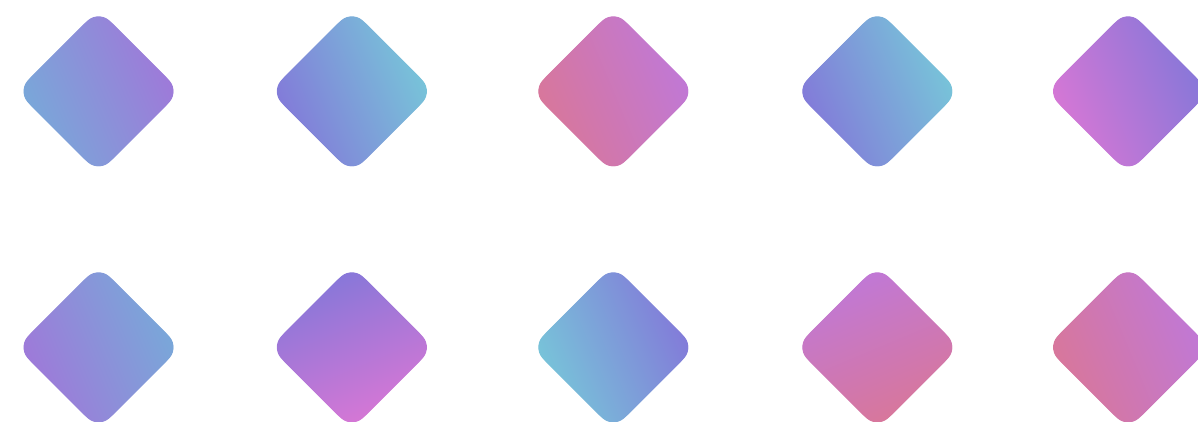


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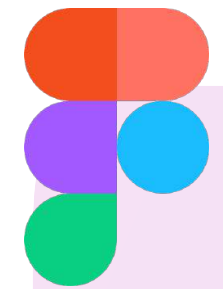


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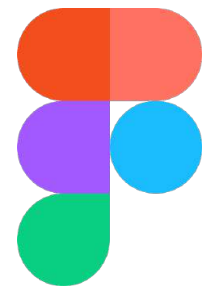
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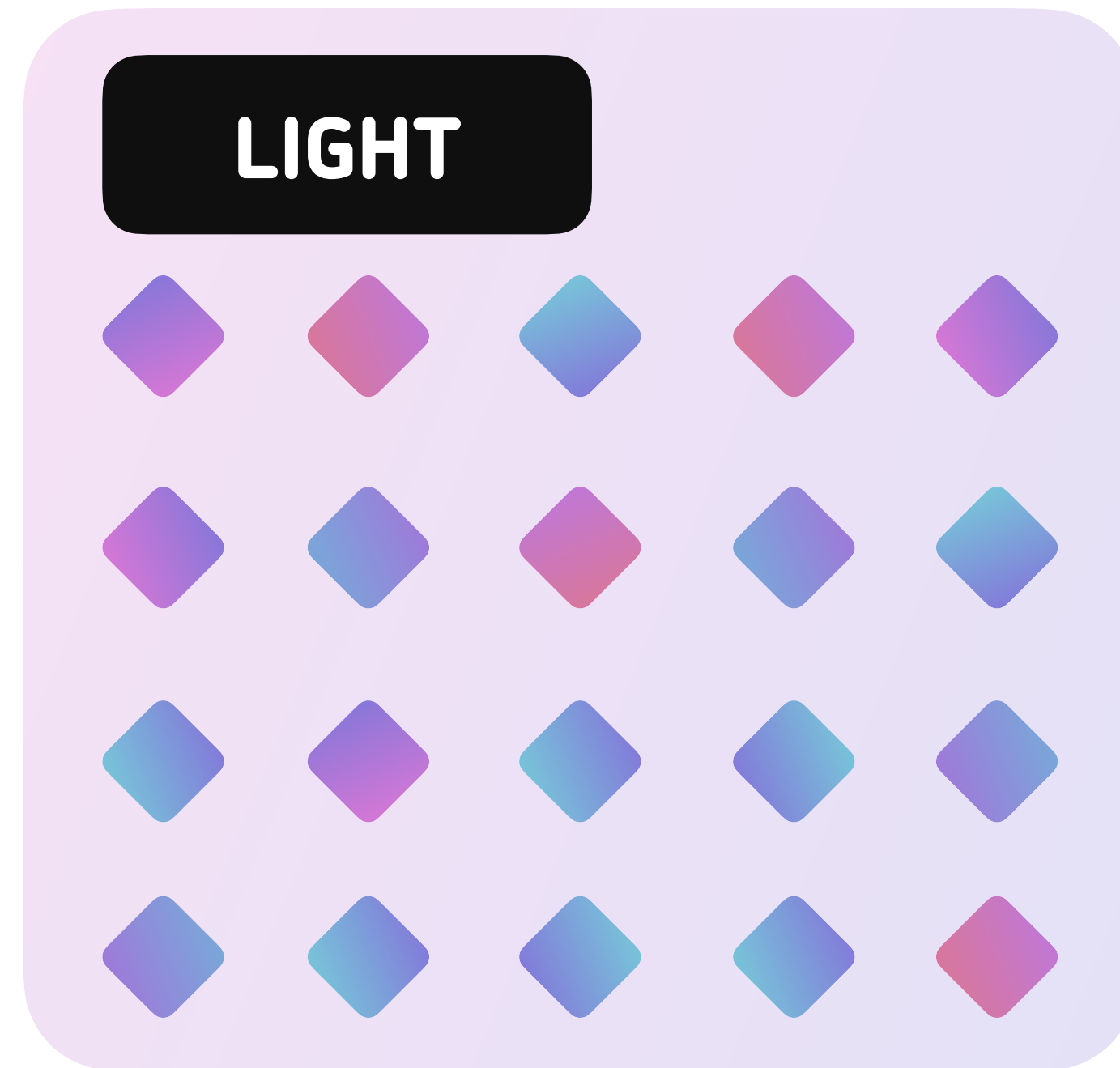
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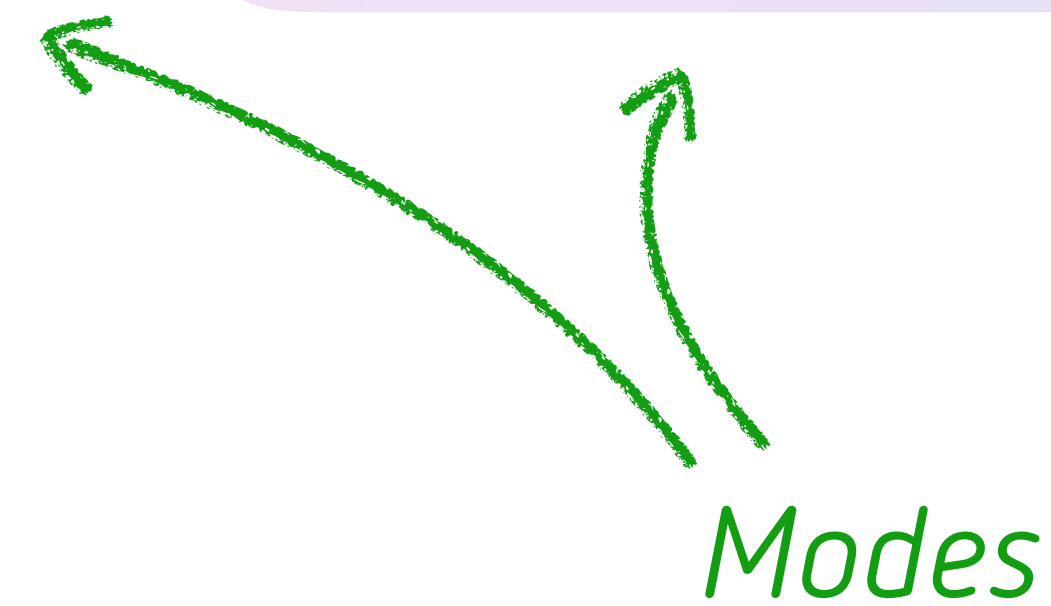
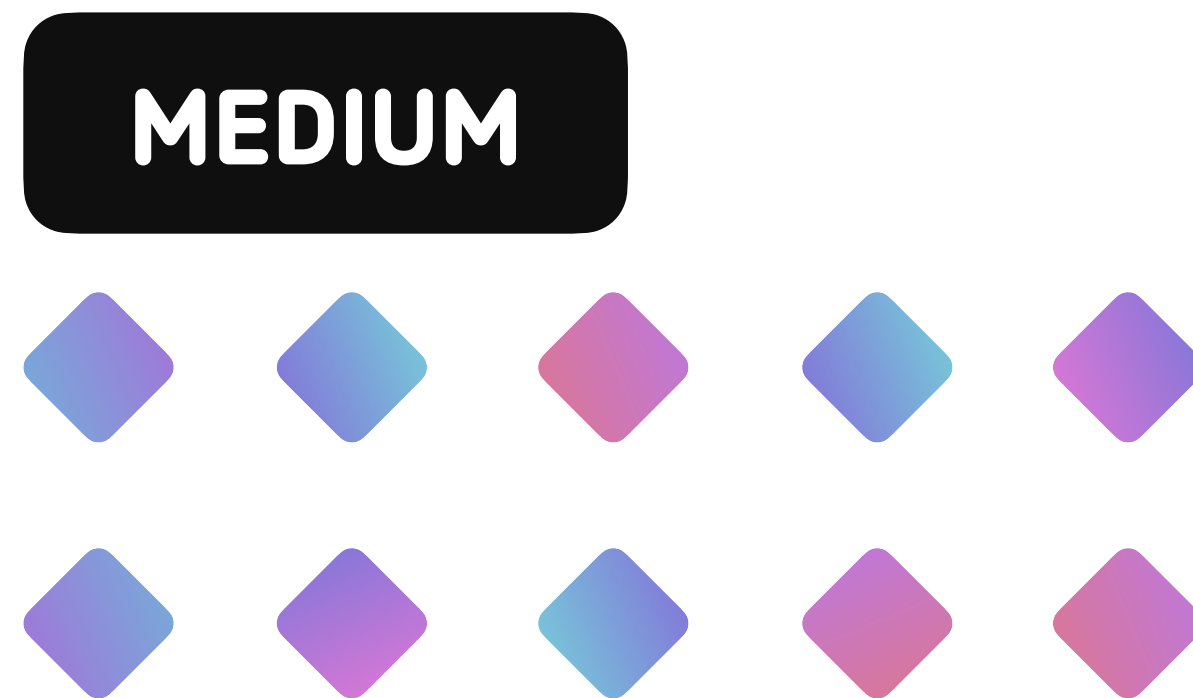
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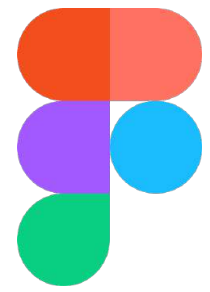
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Farben

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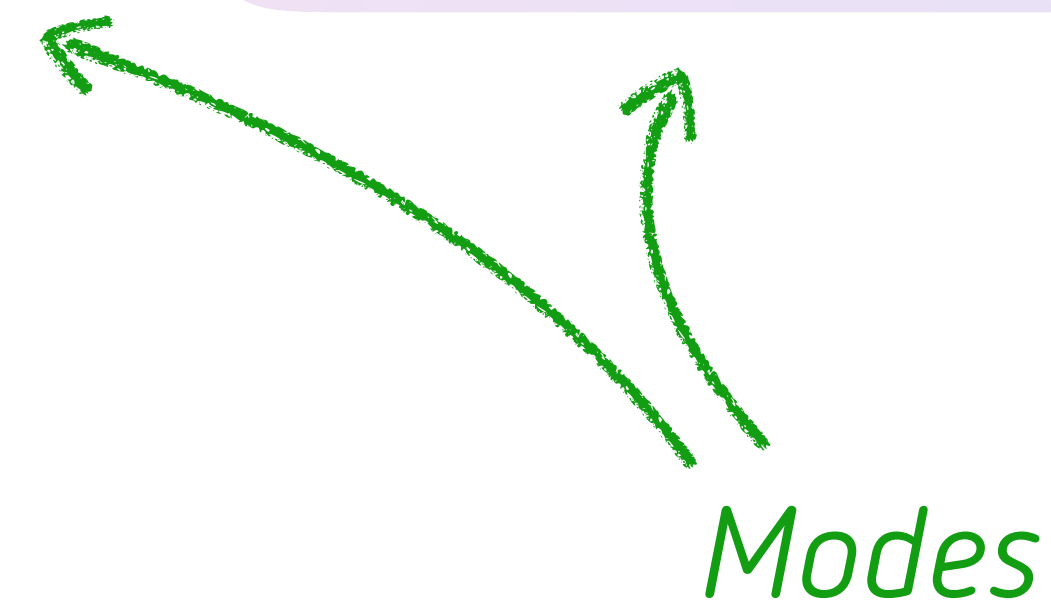
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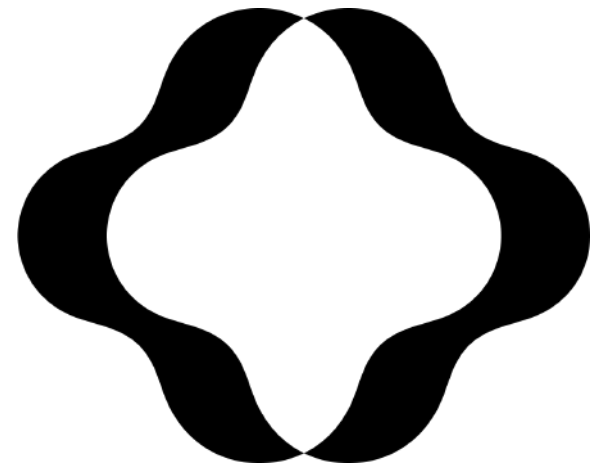
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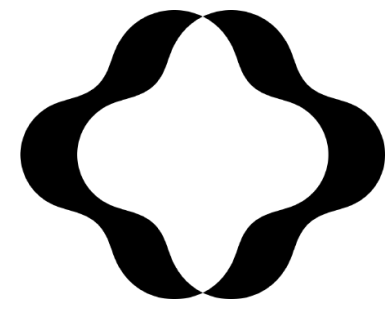
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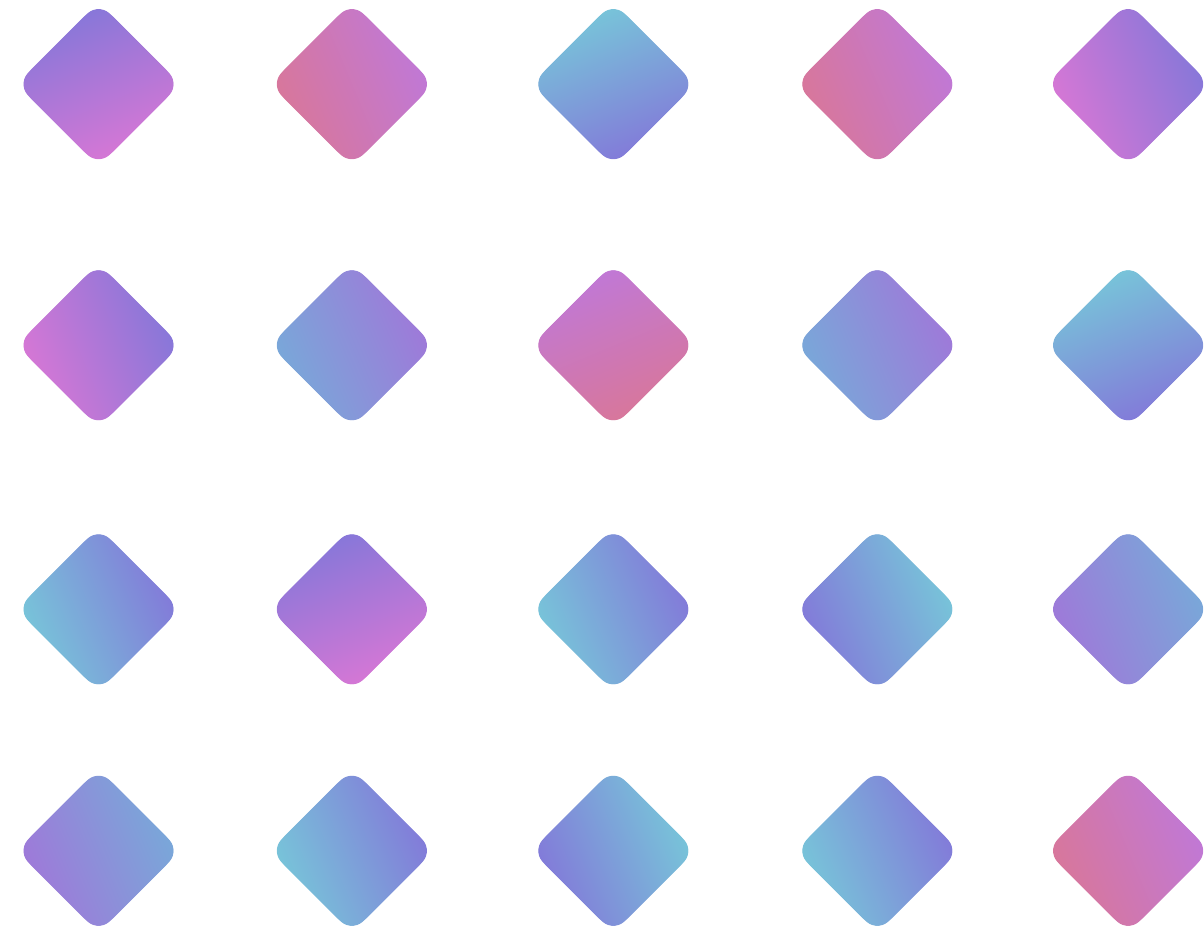
- Sets
- Themes

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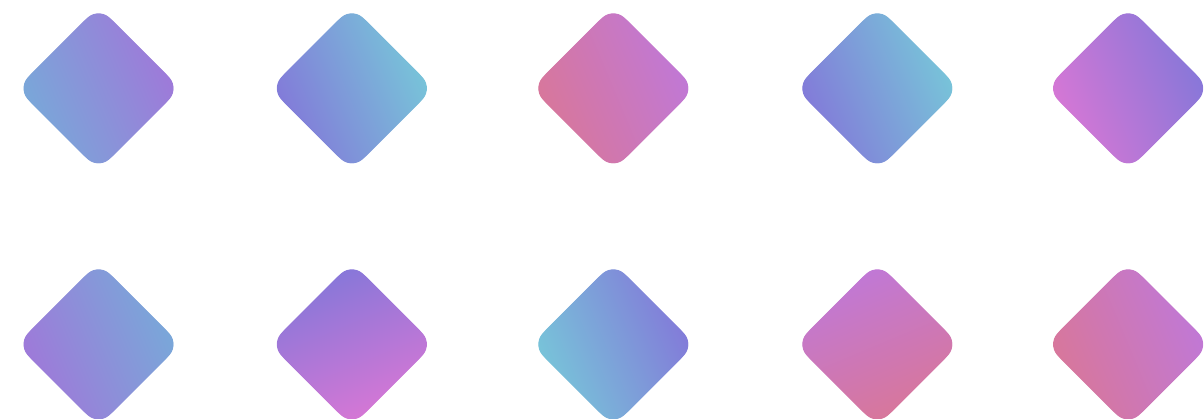


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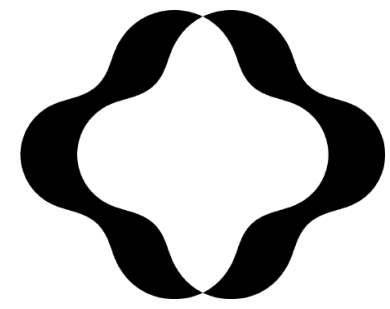


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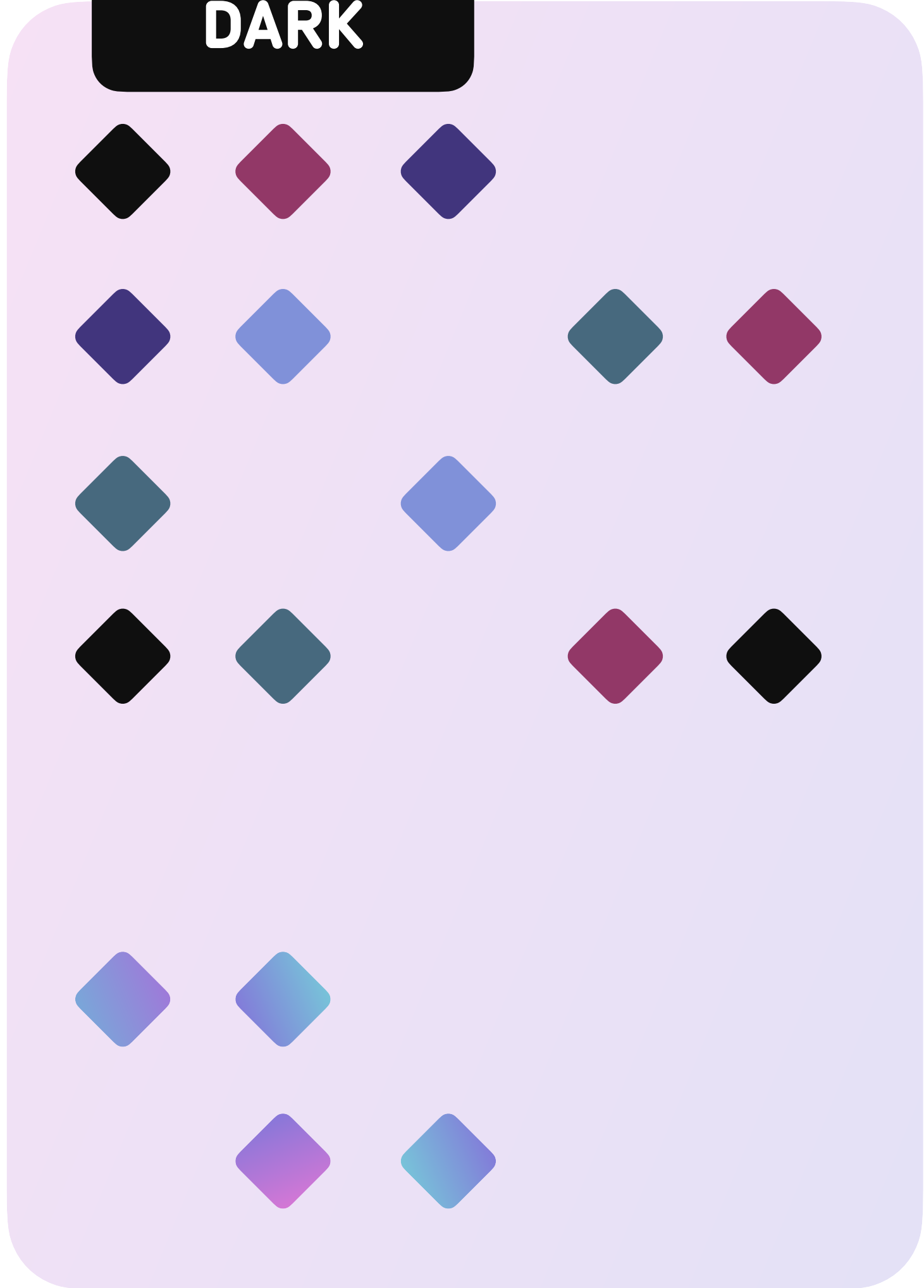


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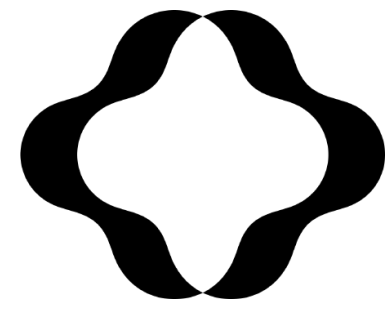
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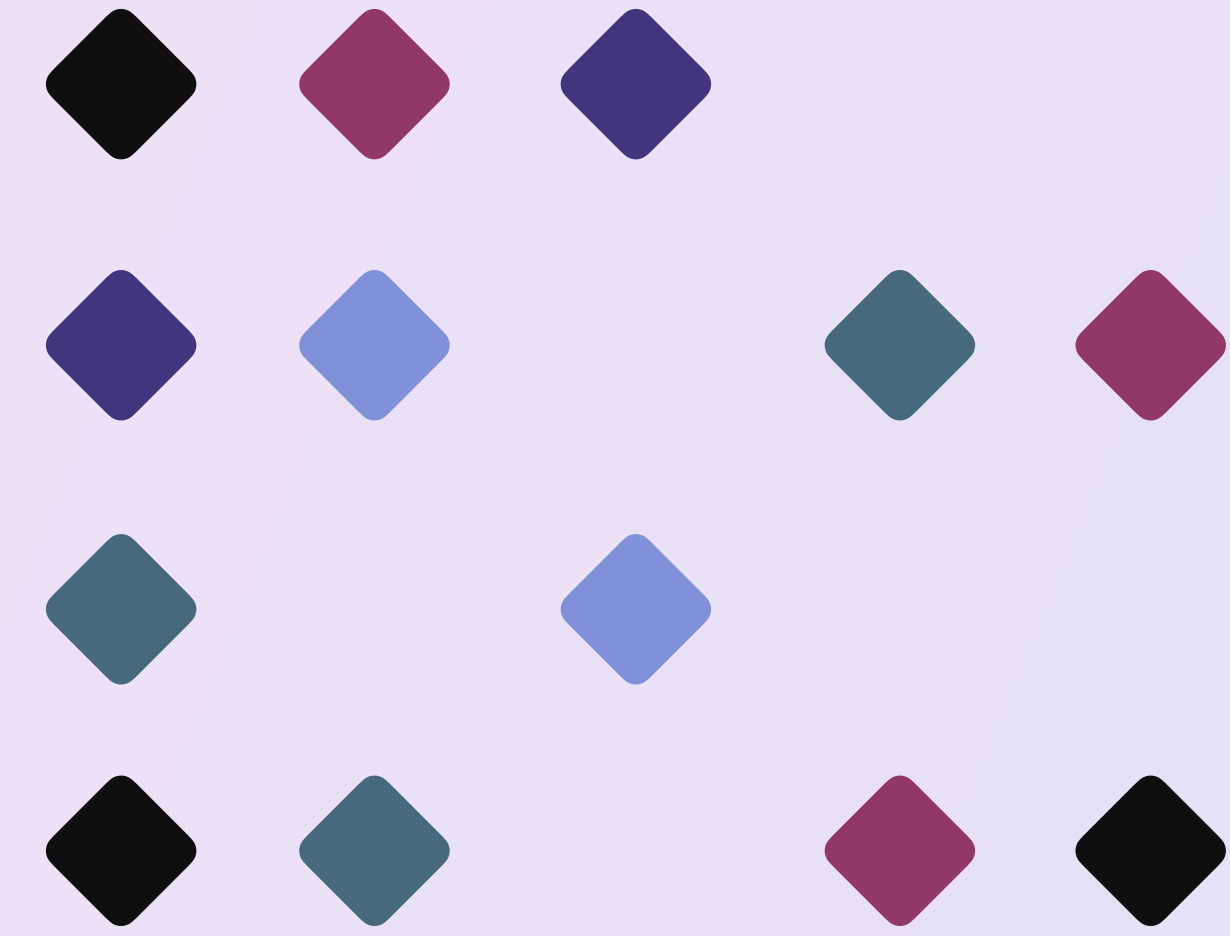


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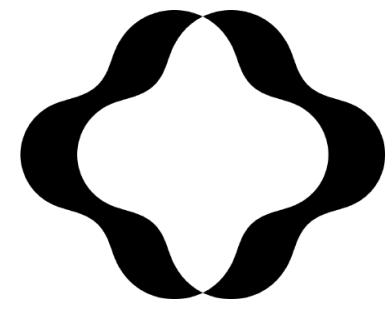


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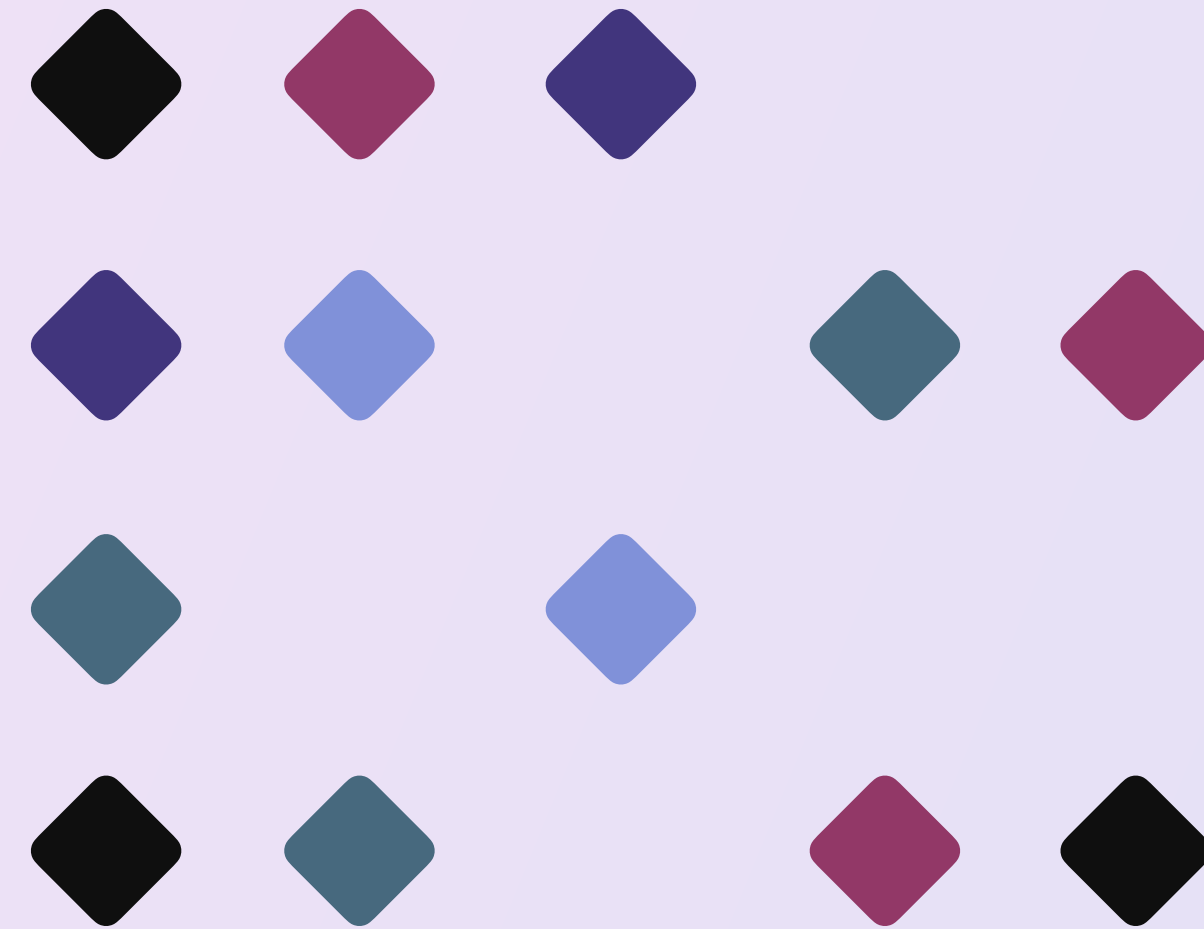


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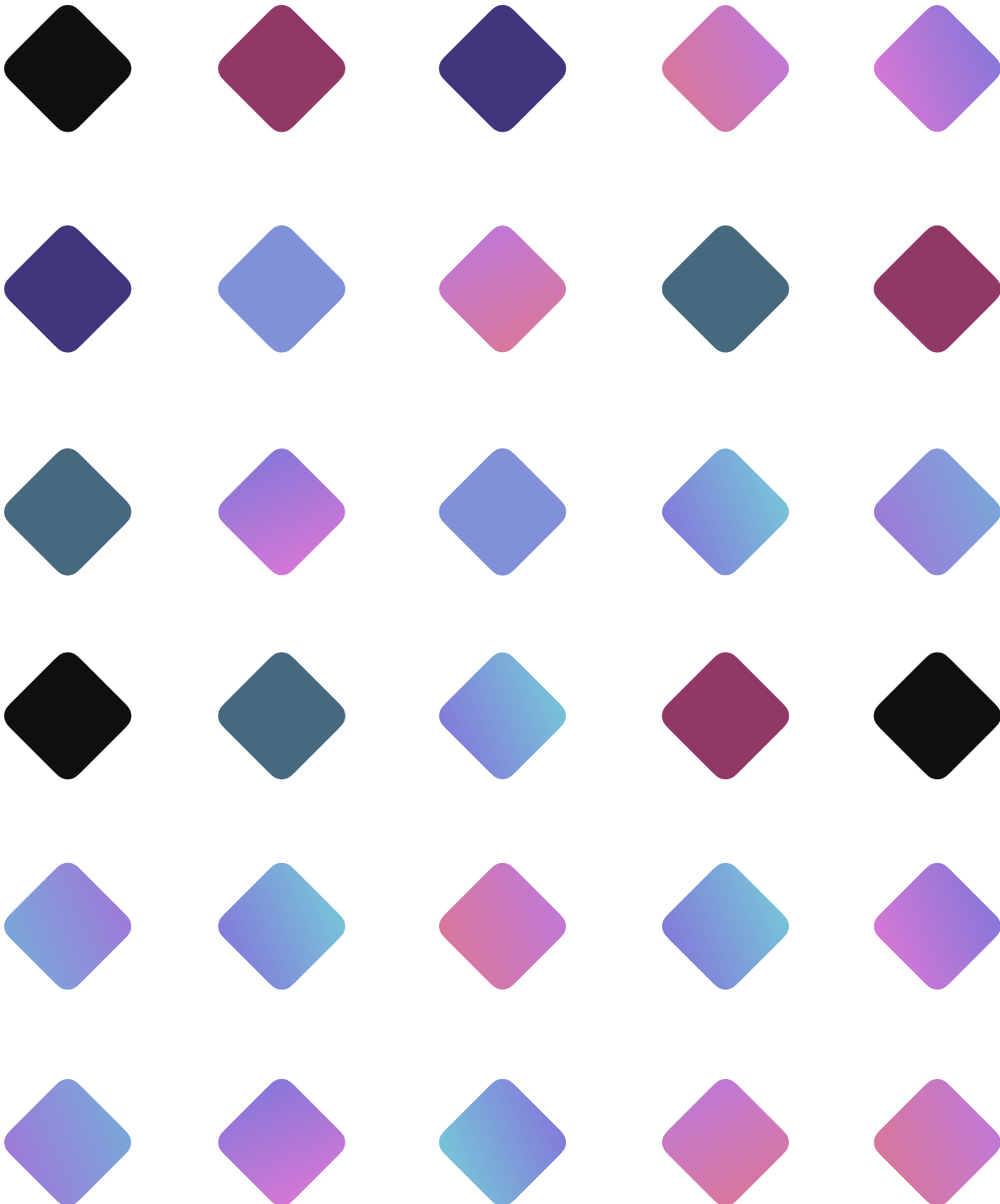
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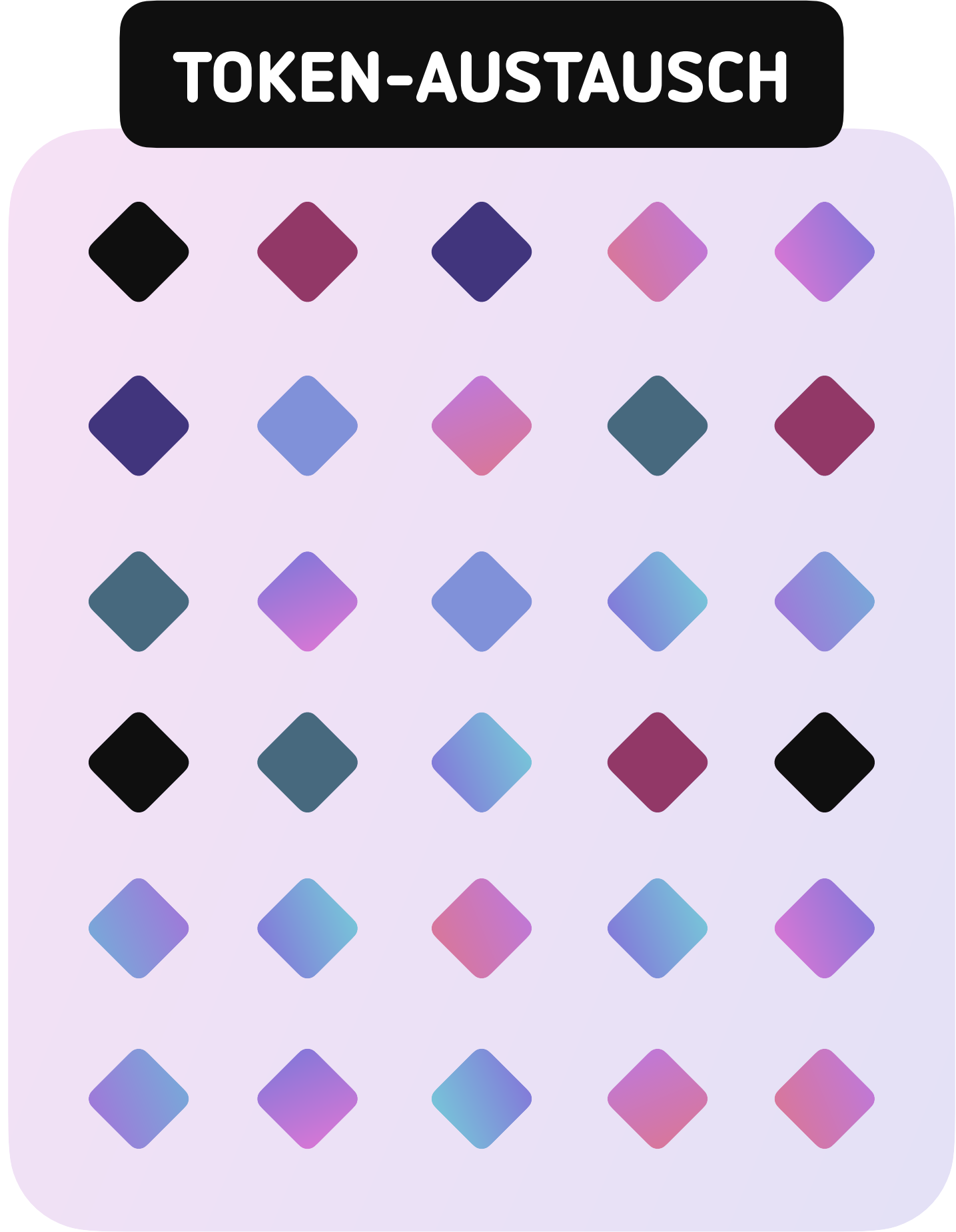
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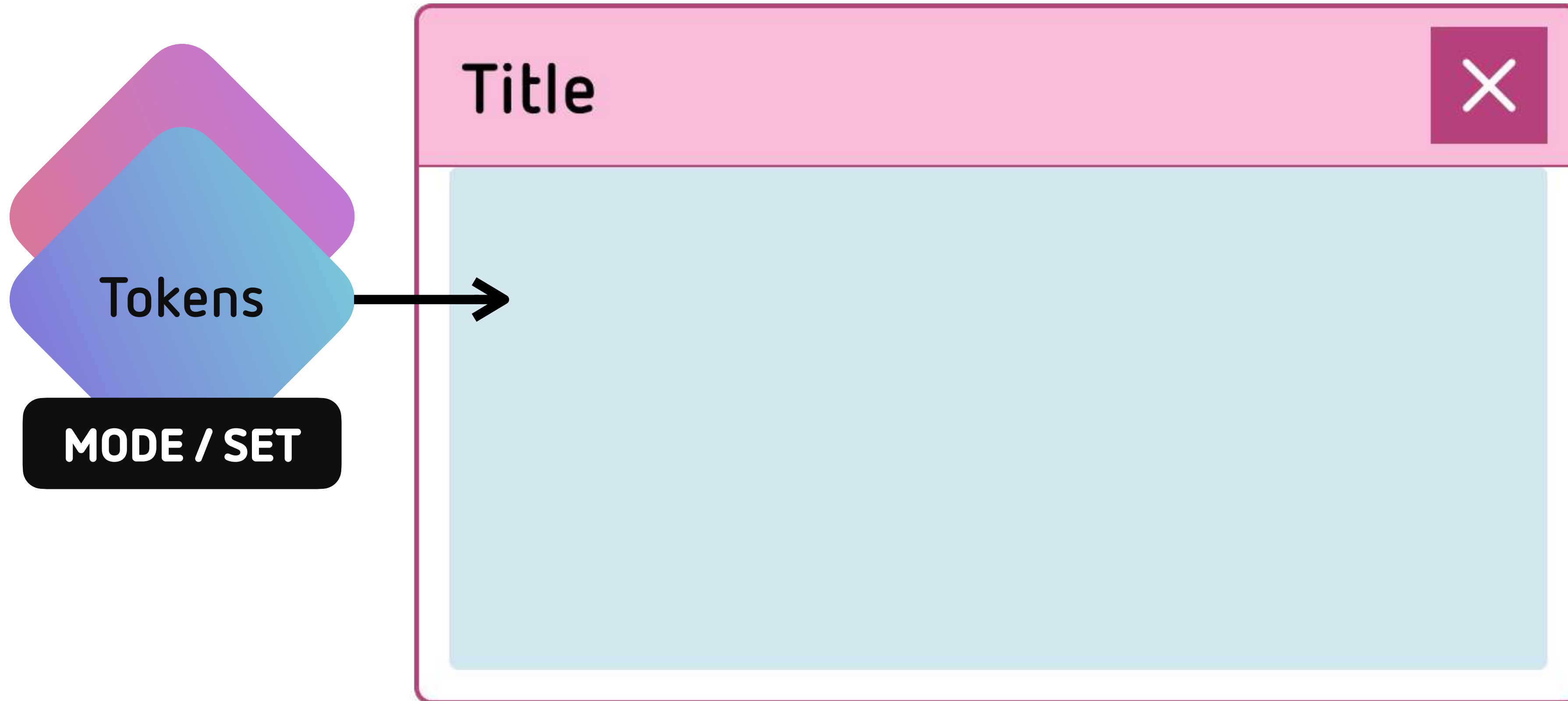
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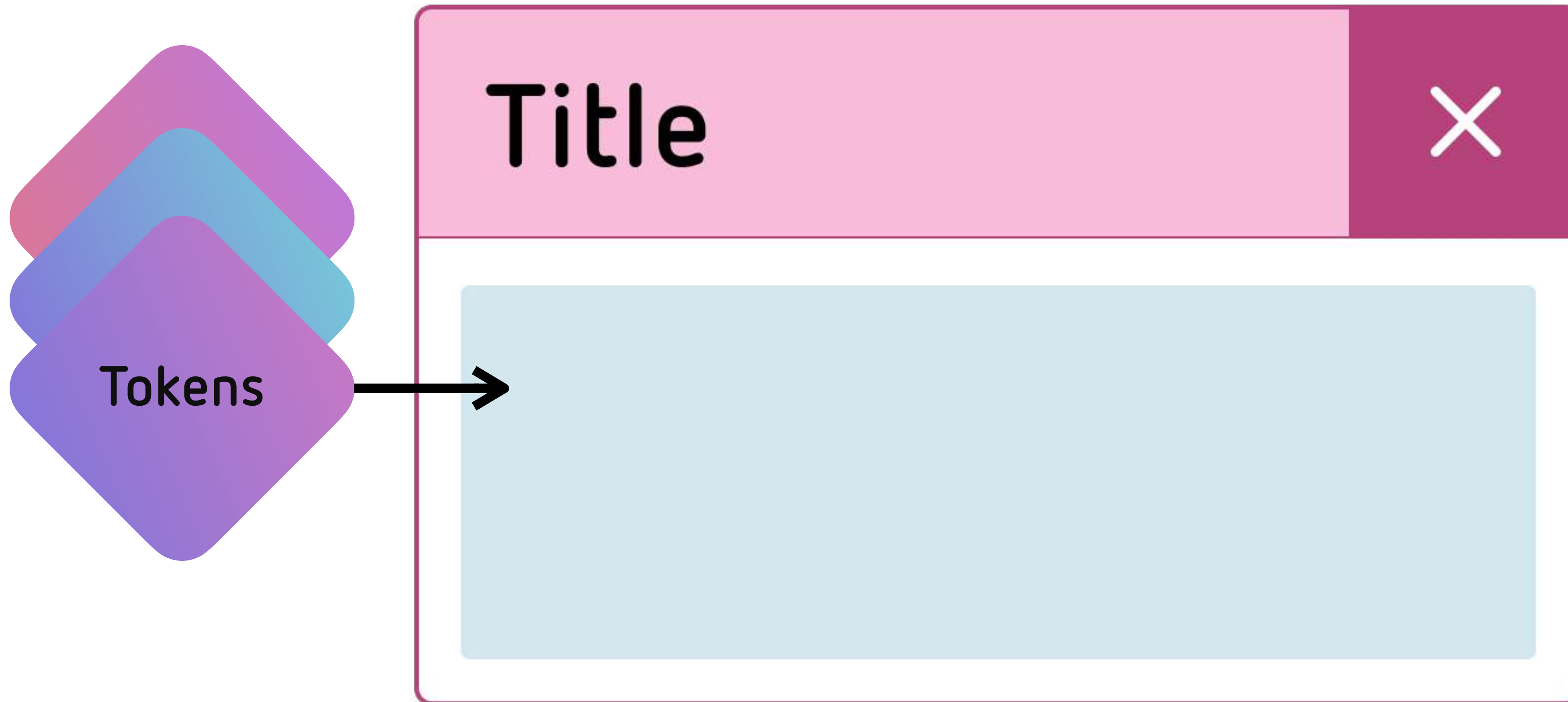
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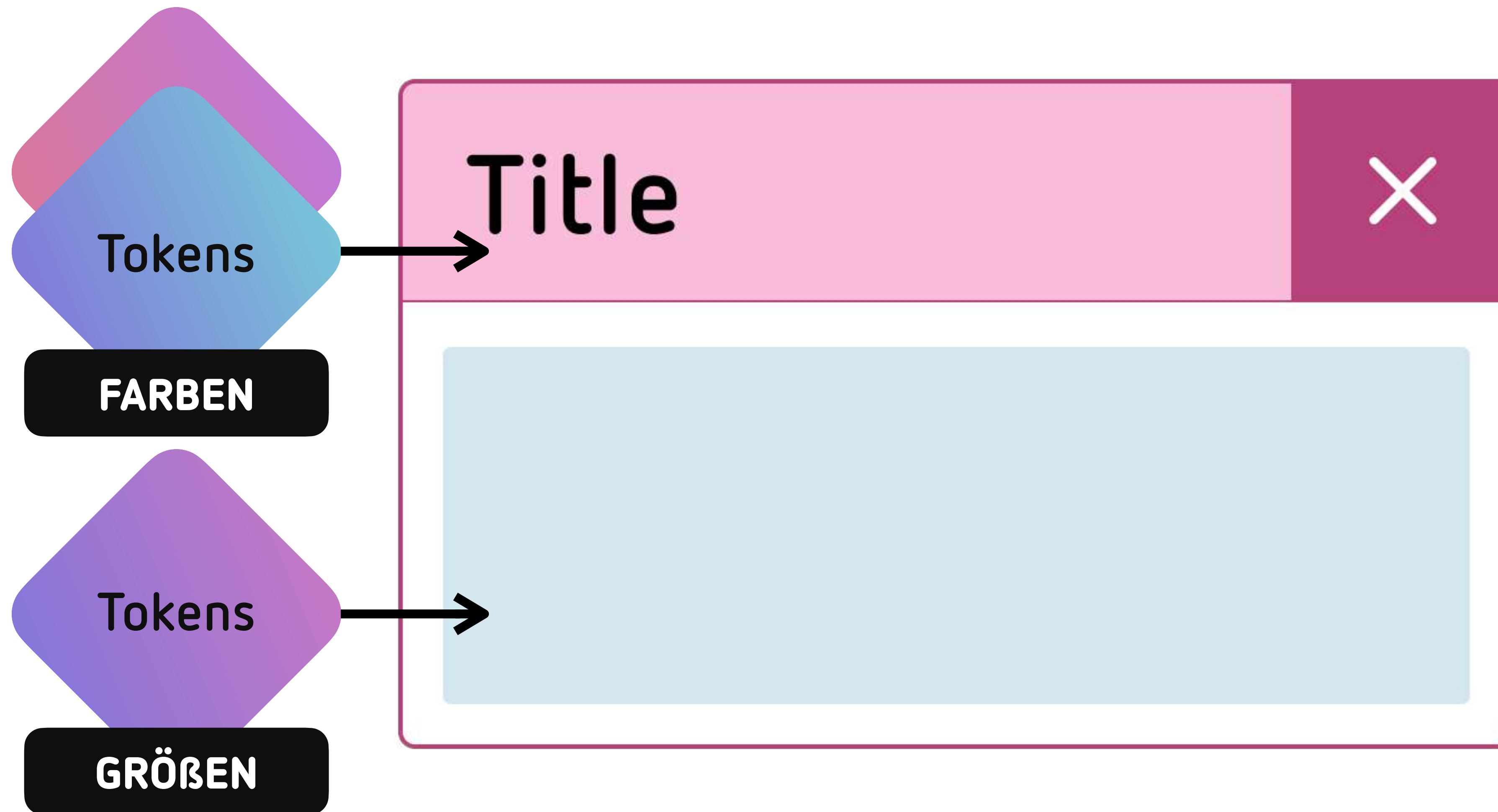
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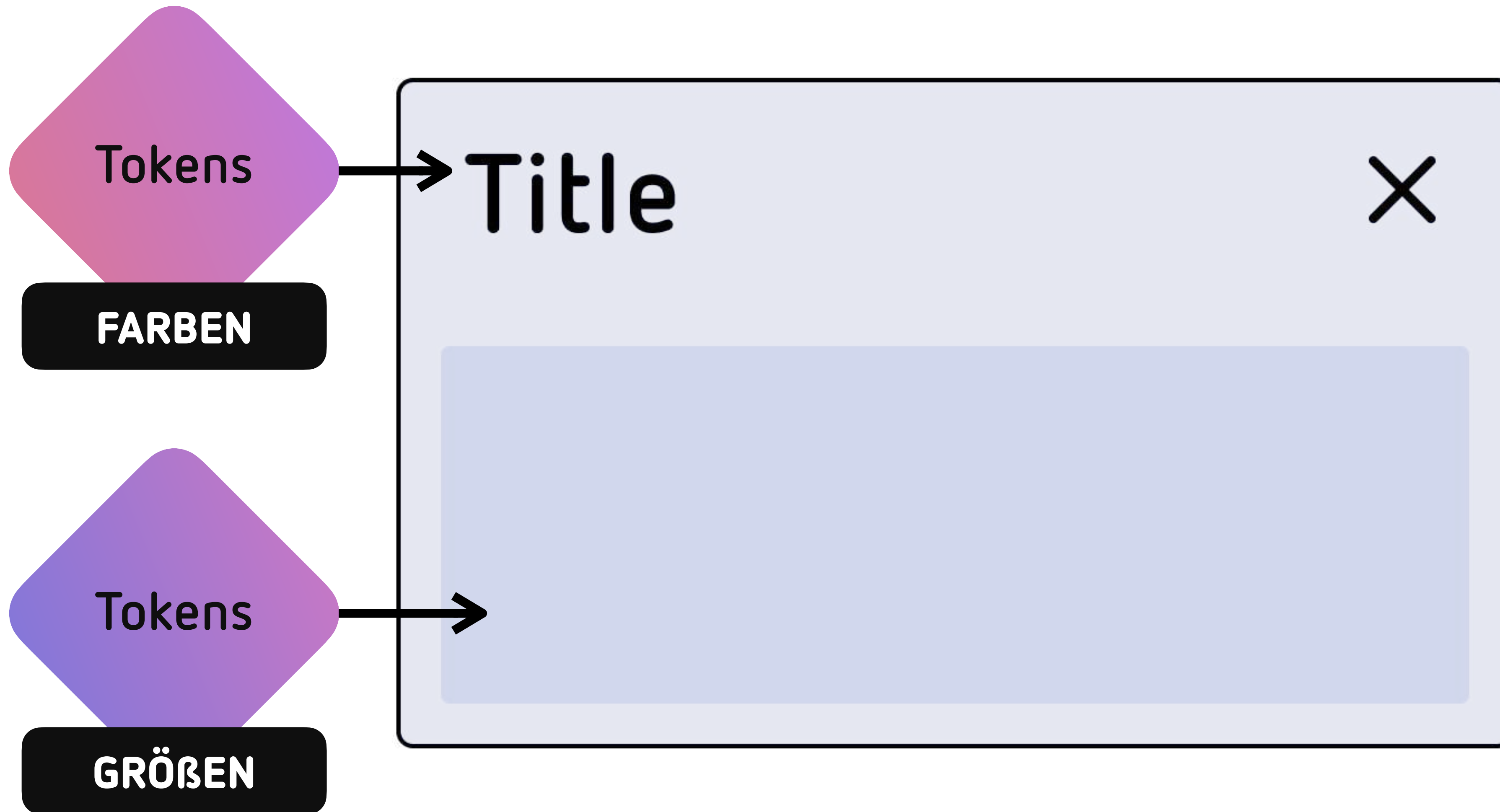
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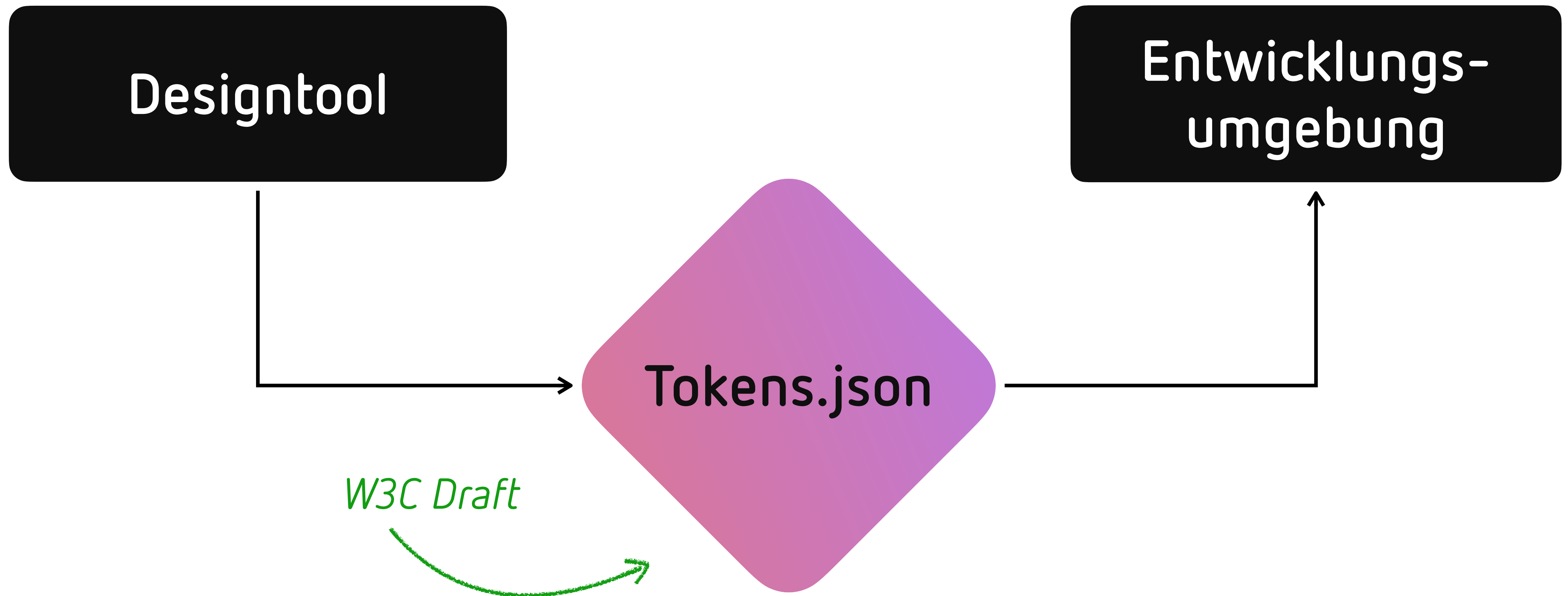


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1.4

WIE FUNKTIONIEREN SIE TECHNISCH?



WAS SIND DESIGN TOKENS? TECHNIK

The image shows a design tool interface for a design system. The main workspace displays a page titled "Level 2 Components" with a "Main Component" section. This section contains four "Text Output" components arranged in a 2x2 grid, each with a value of "0.00 unit". The top-left component has a green checkmark icon, the top-right has a black checkmark icon, the bottom-left has a yellow warning icon, and the bottom-right has a black warning icon. A dashed purple box highlights the "Level 2 / Numeric Output Feature" section.

The left sidebar shows a navigation menu for "HELIO Design System BASE COMPONENTS" with a list of components under "Data Entry" and "Data Output" categories. The right sidebar shows a properties panel with sections for "Auto layout", "Appearance", "Fill", and "Stroke".

Level 2

Components

Main Component

Level 2 / Numeric Output Feature

Component	Value	Status
Text Output	0.00 unit	Success (Green Checkmark)
Text Output	0.00 unit	Success (Black Checkmark)
Text Output	0.00 unit	Warning (Yellow Exclamation Mark)
Text Output	0.00 unit	Warning (Black Exclamation Mark)

Auto layout

W Fill, H 40

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Clip content

Appearance

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Fill

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Stroke

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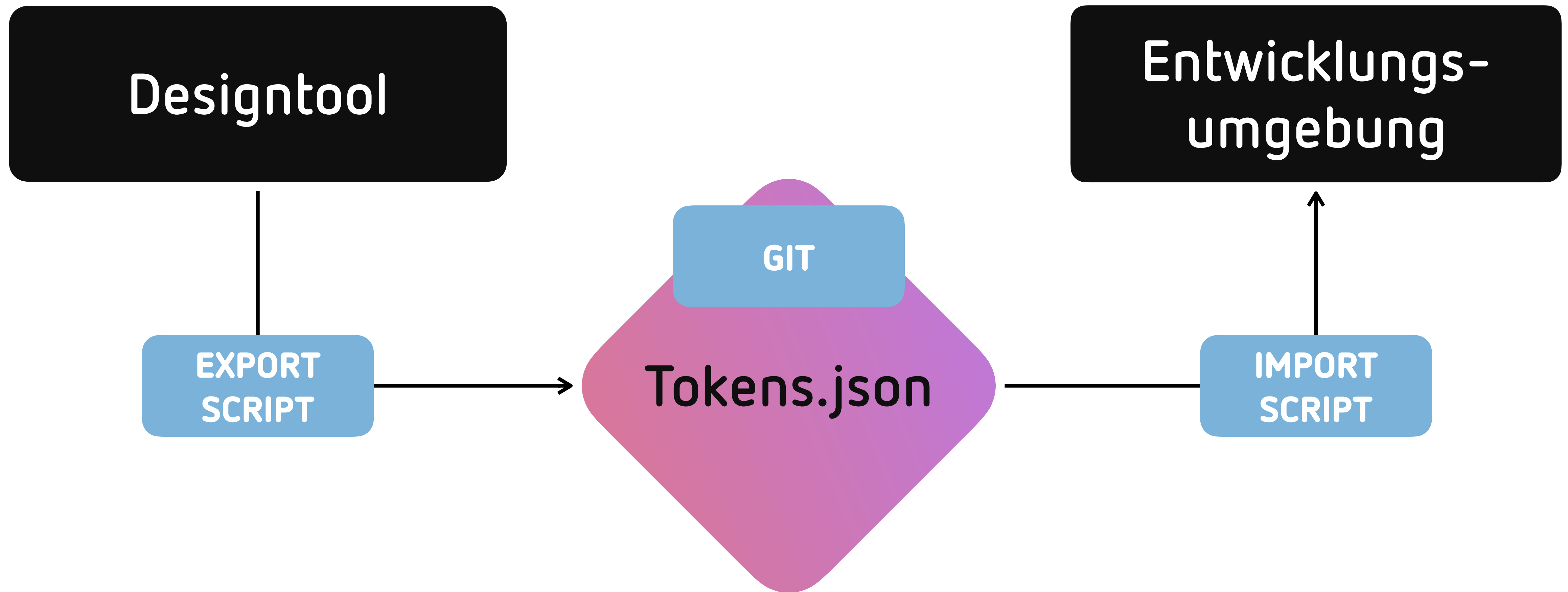
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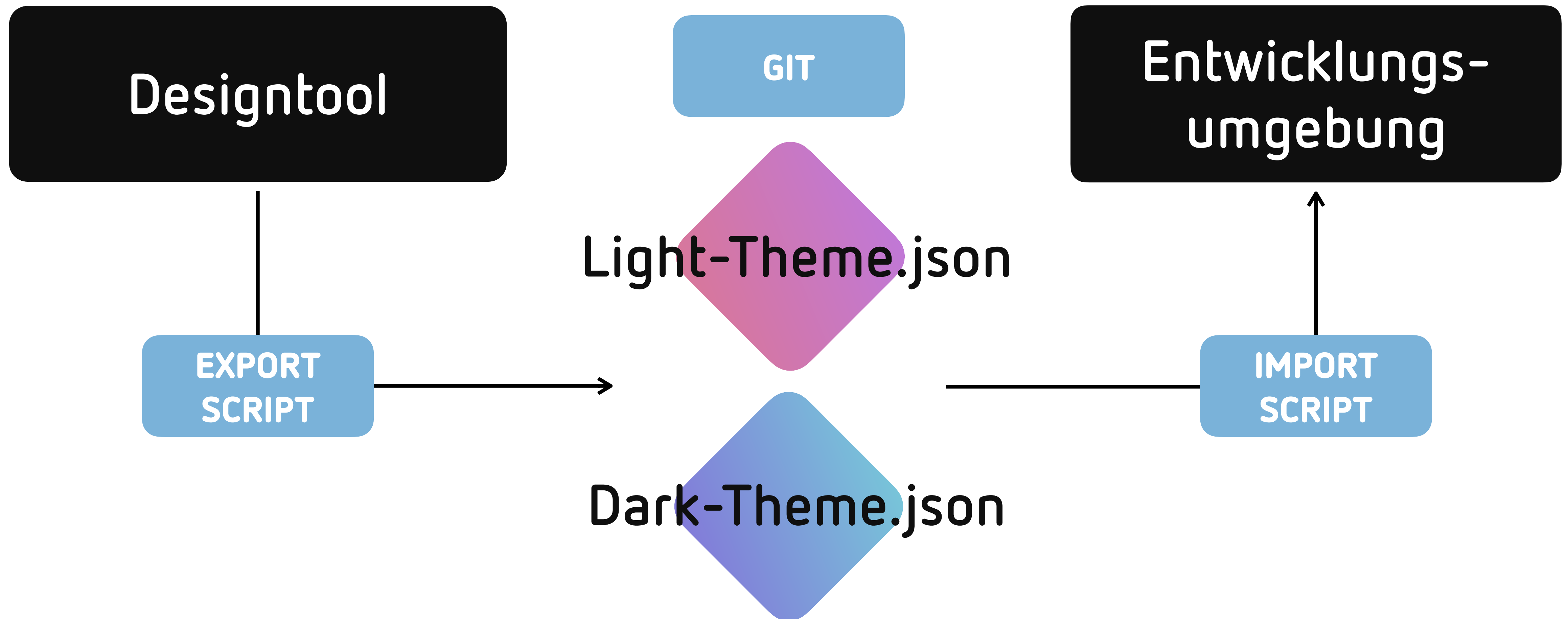
The image shows a design tool interface with a central preview window and a design tokens table. The preview window displays a dashboard titled "LunarLight - Dashboard - Panel Screen" with a production gauge showing 94.2 and a temperature line chart. The design tokens table is overlaid on the bottom right, listing various tokens and their values across five themes: LunarLight, LunarDark, OrbitLight, and OrbitDark.

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WAS SIND DESIGN TOKENS? TECHNIK

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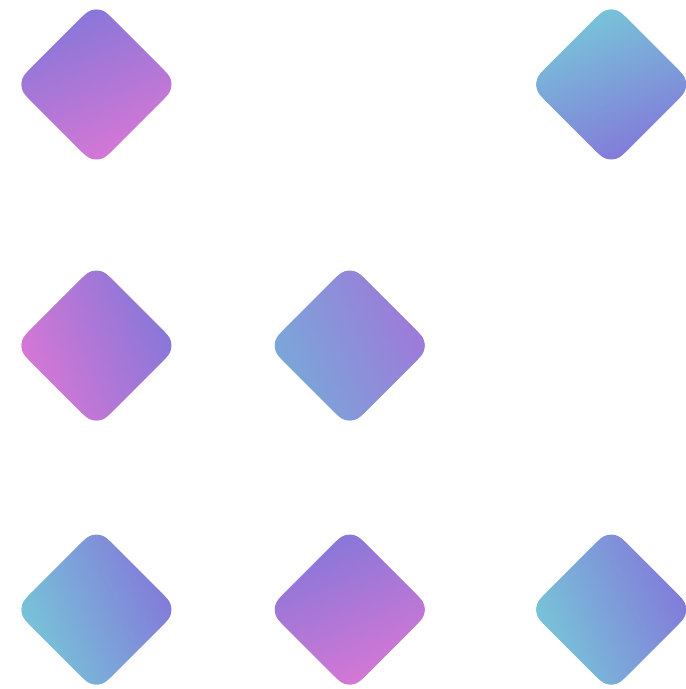


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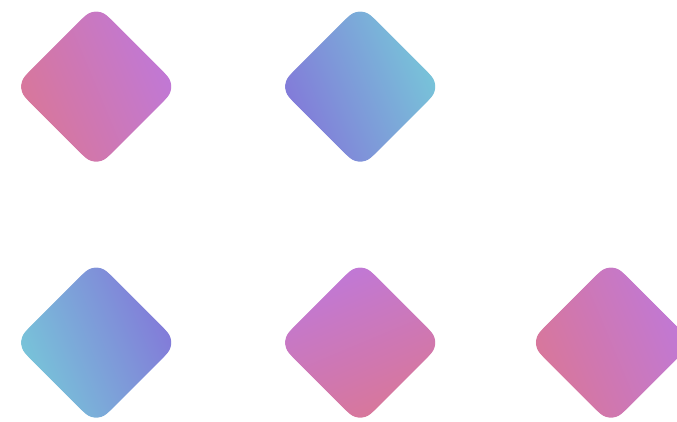
ARBEITEN MIT TOKENS

2.1

STRUKTUR EINES TOKEN-SYSTEMS



FARBEN



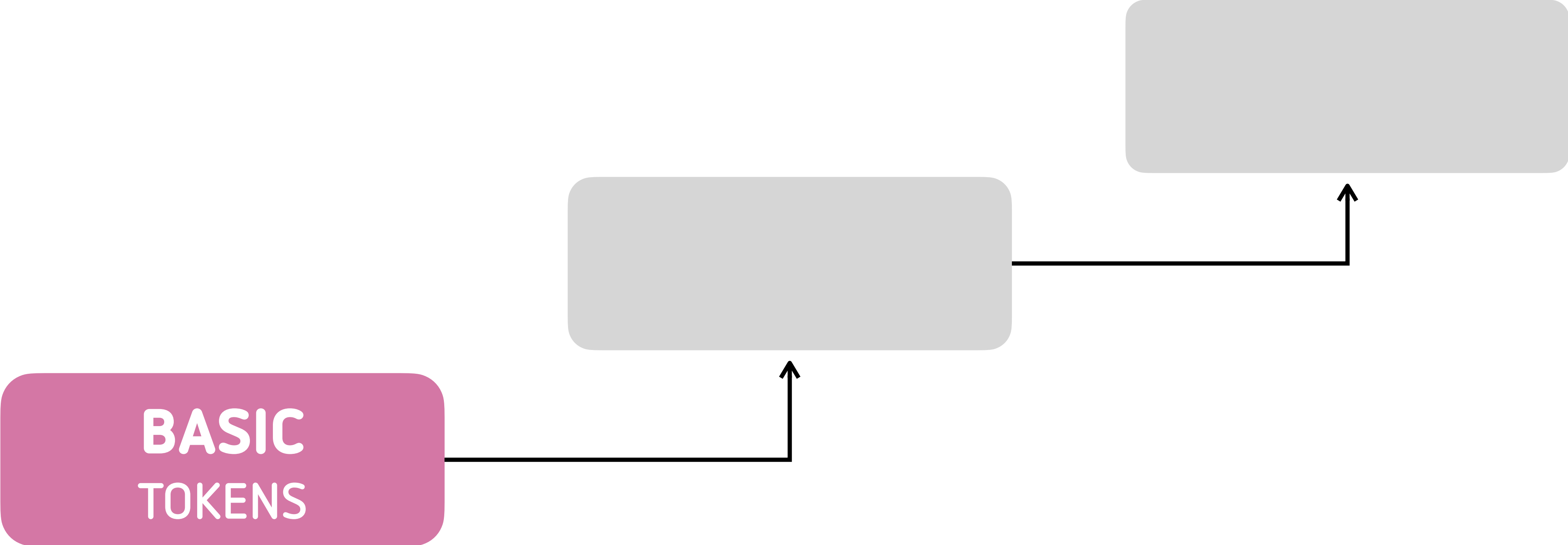
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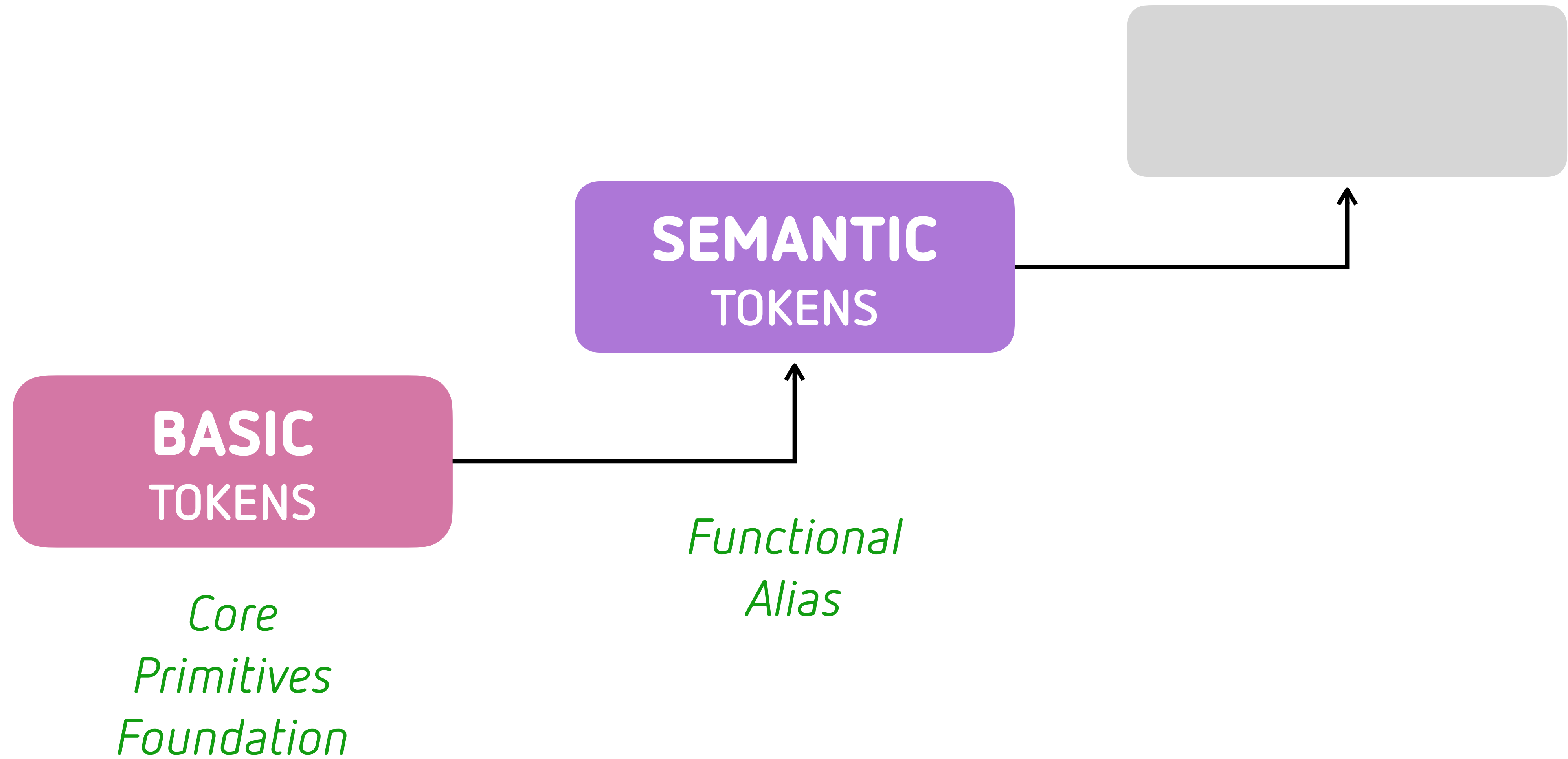
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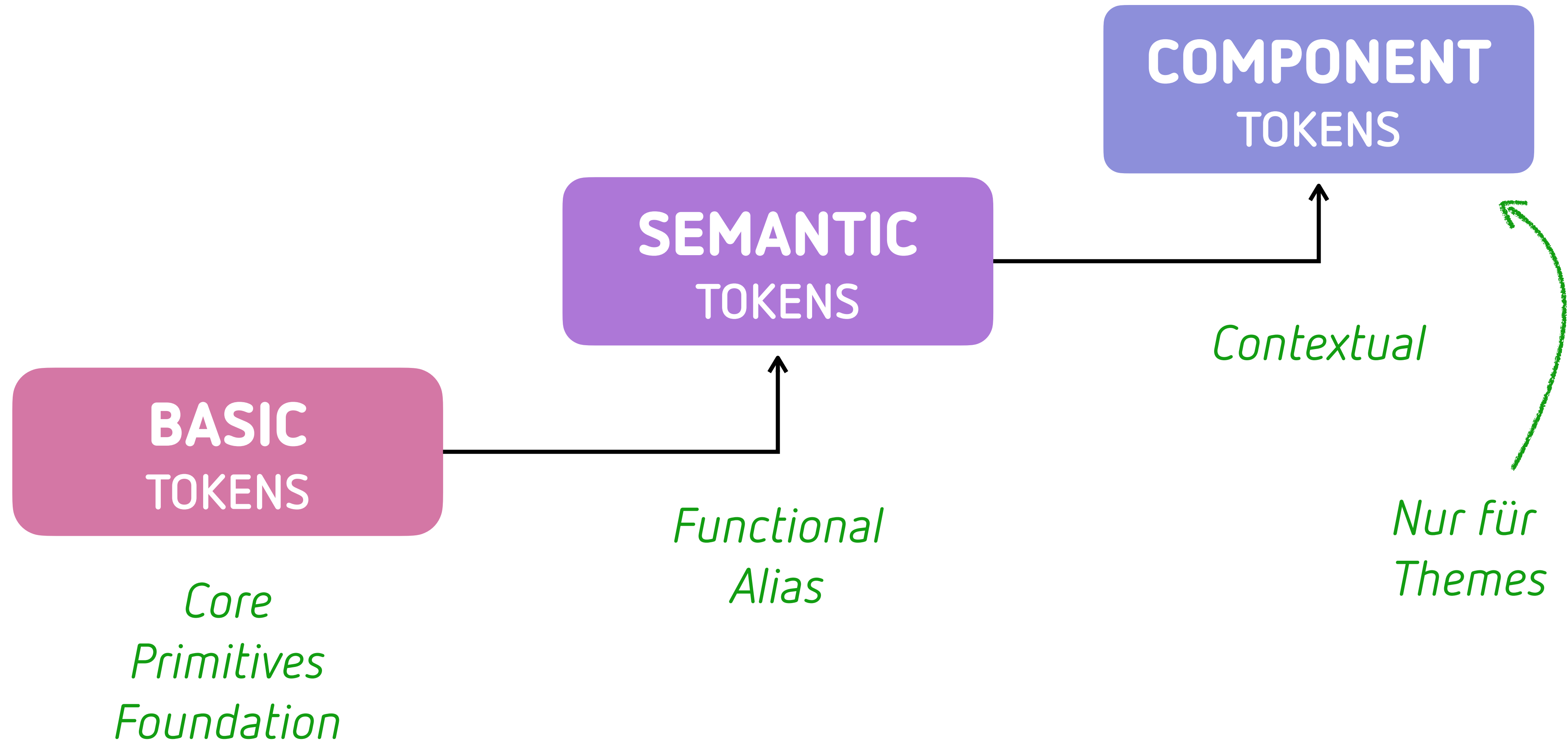
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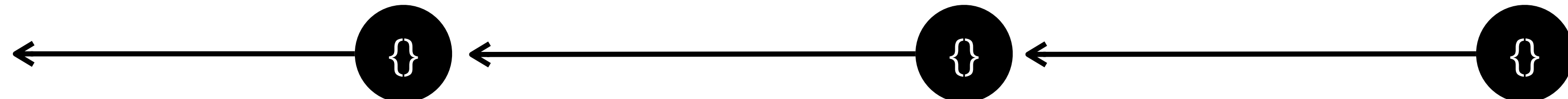
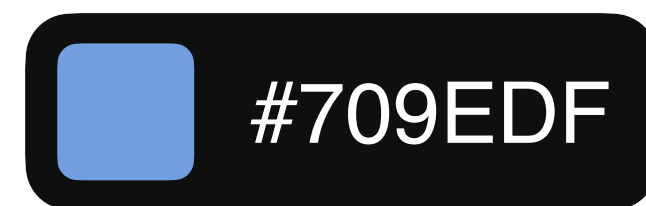




*Core
Primitives
Foundation*







Brand-color-500

Primary-Background

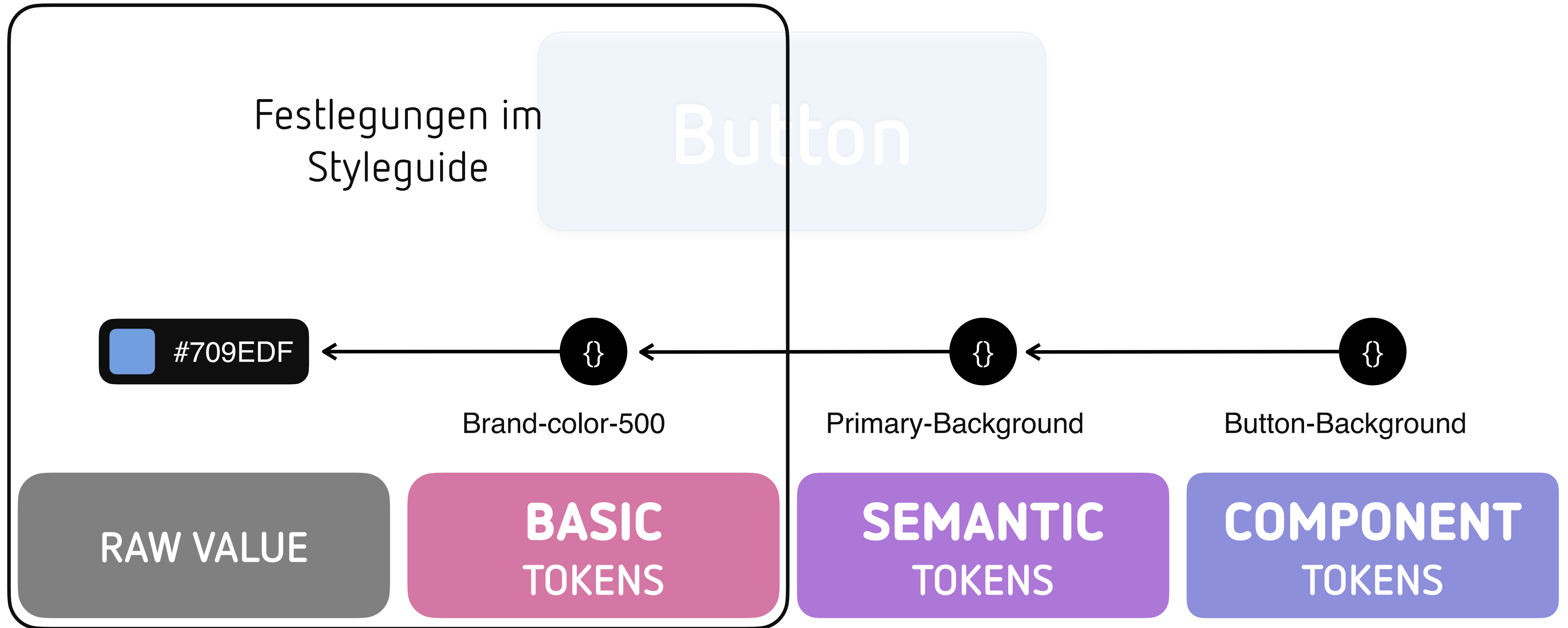
Button-Background

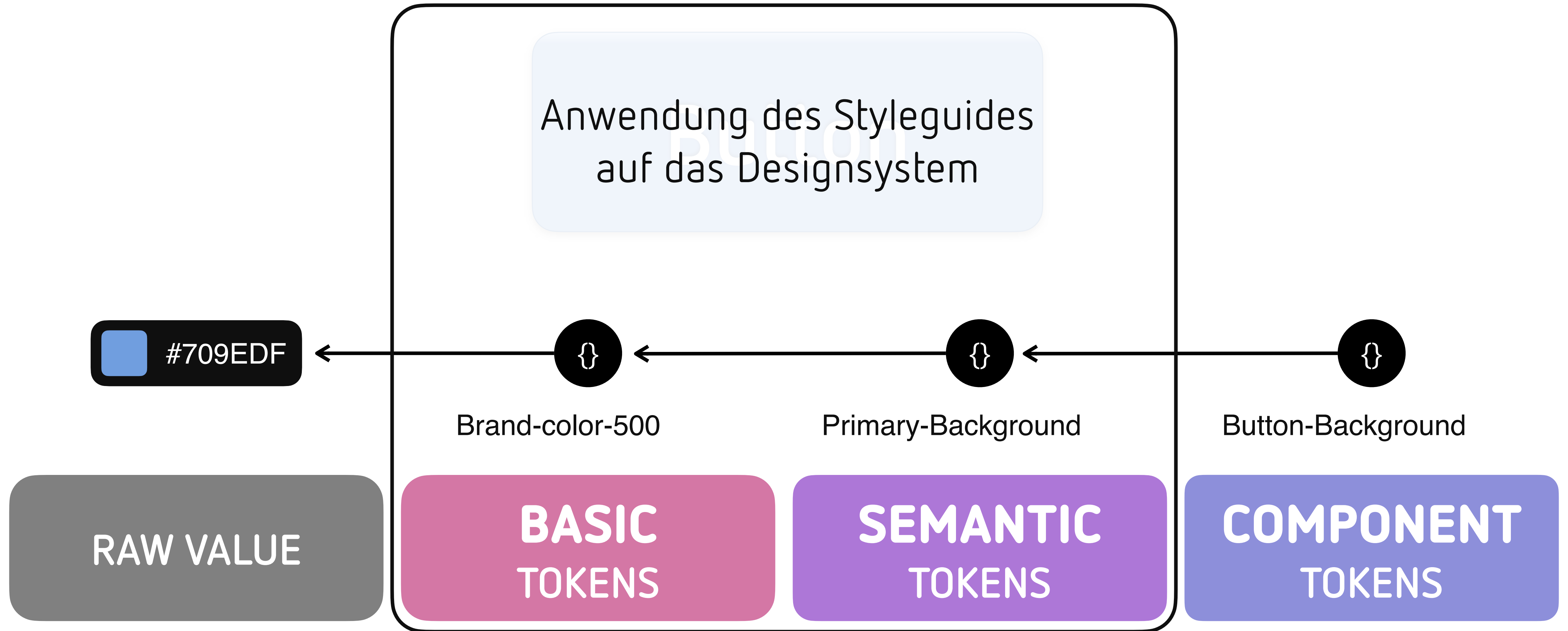
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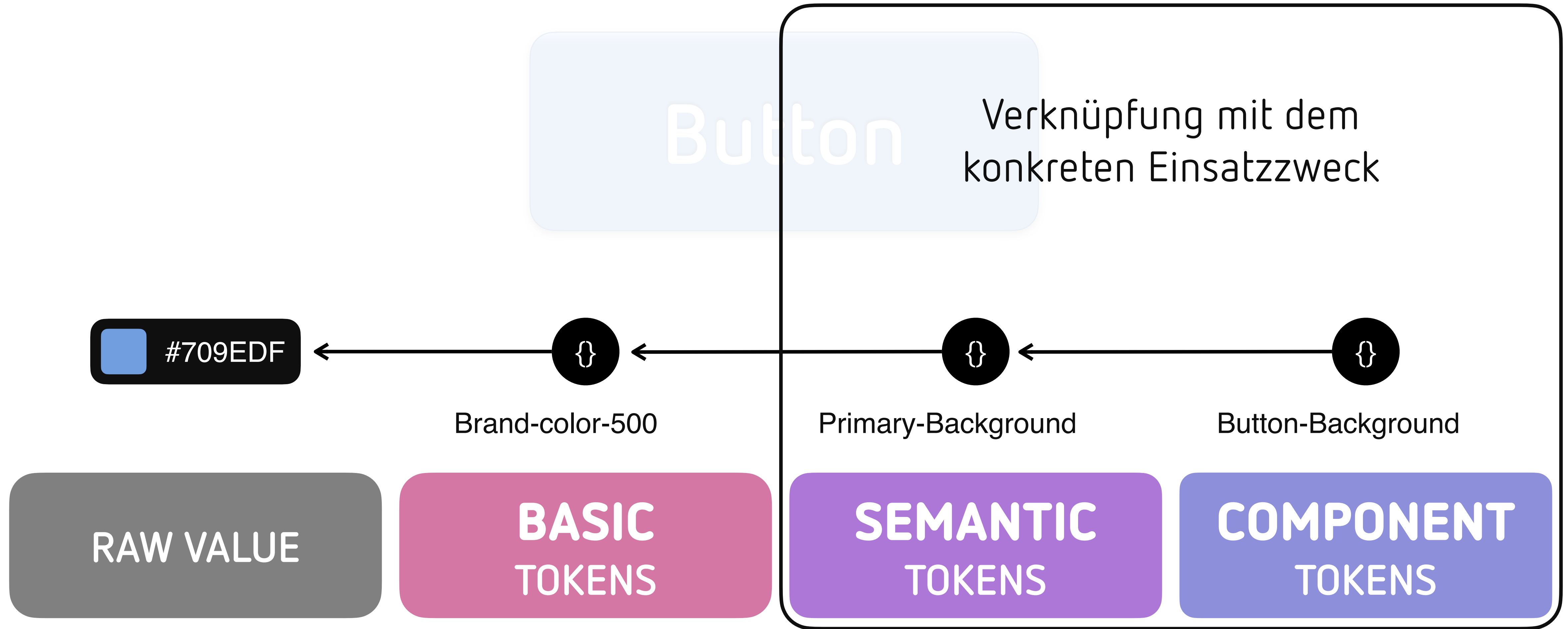
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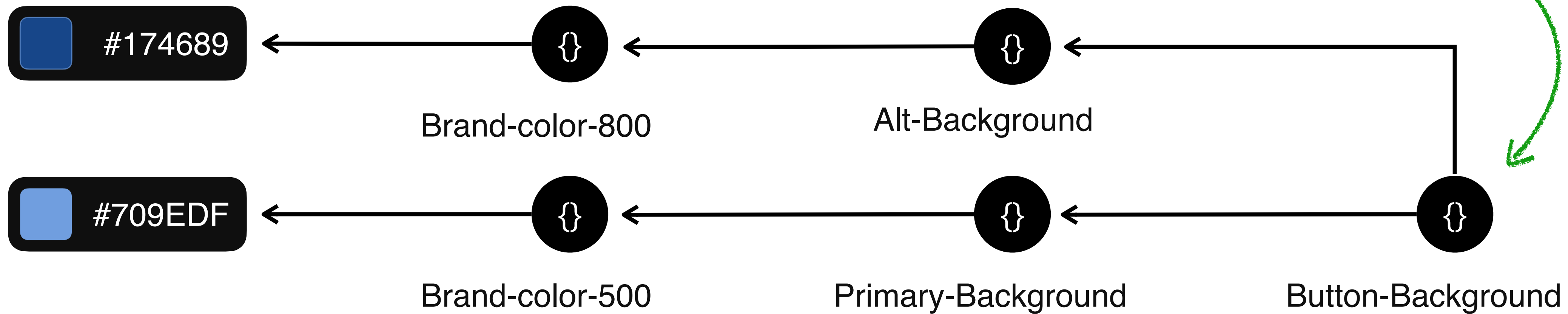








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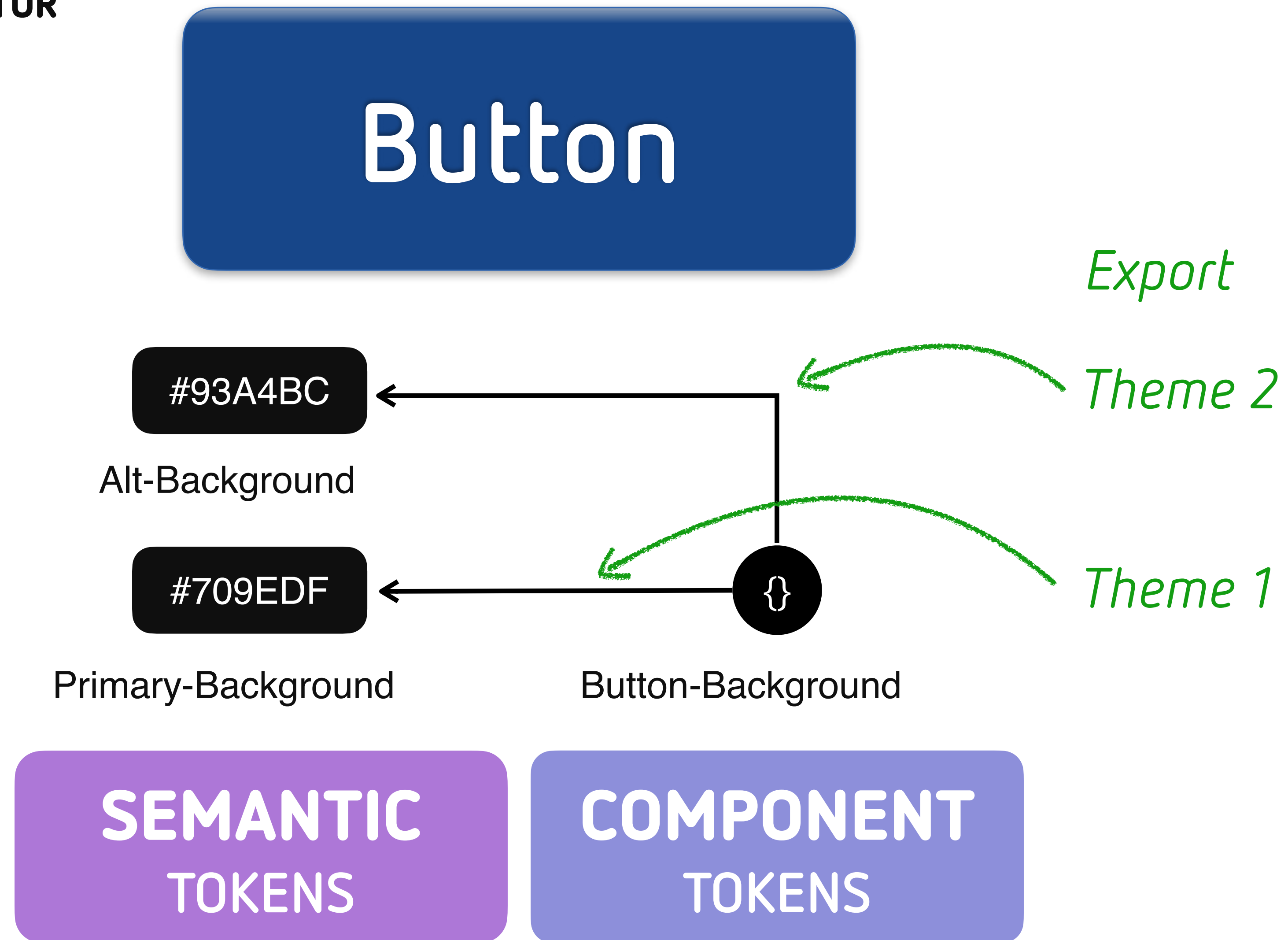


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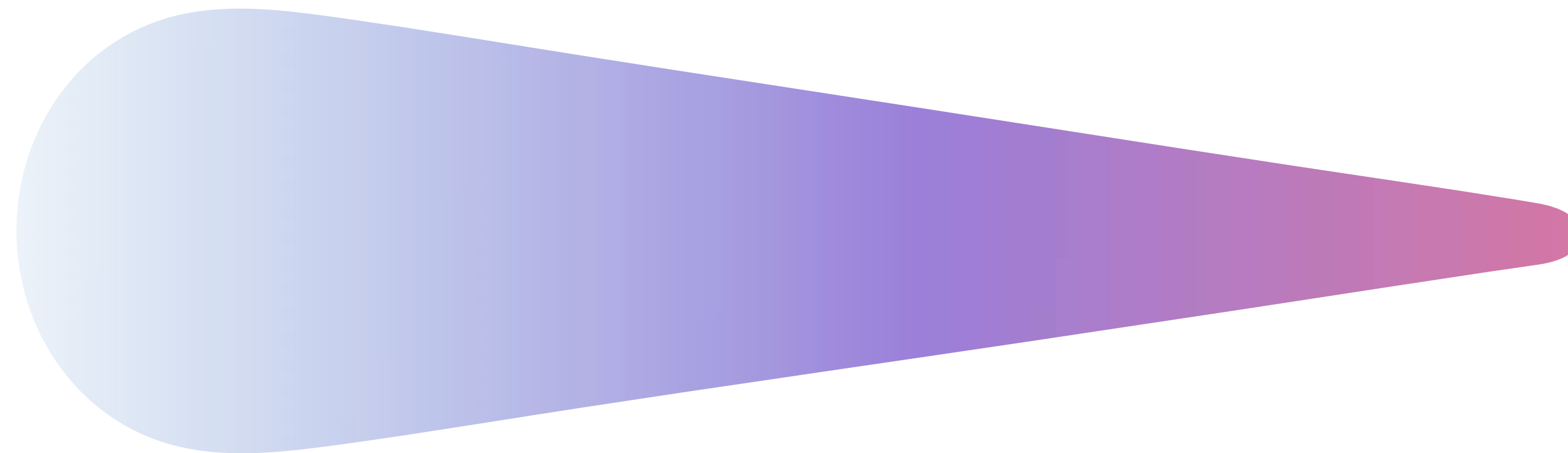
BENENNUNG VON TOKENS

„BEM“
(Block-Element-modifier)



BACKGROUND-BUTTON-PRIMARY

Allgemein



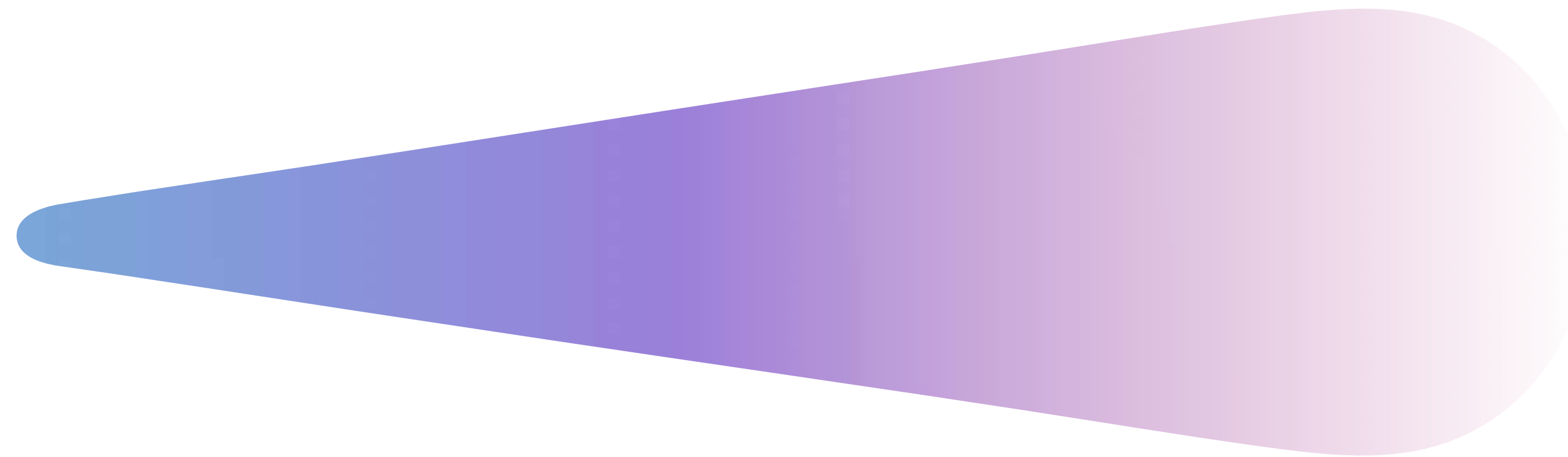
Spezifisch

„Functional“



PRIMARY-BUTTON-BACKGROUND

Spezifisch



Allgemein

BEM

Background

Button-Primary

Button-Secondary

Border

Button-Primary

Button-Secondary

Text

Button-Primary

Button-Secondary

Functional

Primary-Button

Background

Border

Text

Secondary-Button

Background

Border

Text

BEM

- Unterstützt das Entwerfen mit dem Designsystem
- Vereinfacht das Kombinieren von Eigenschaften für neue Komponenten
- Potential für Abweichungen von Brand- oder A11y-Richtlinien

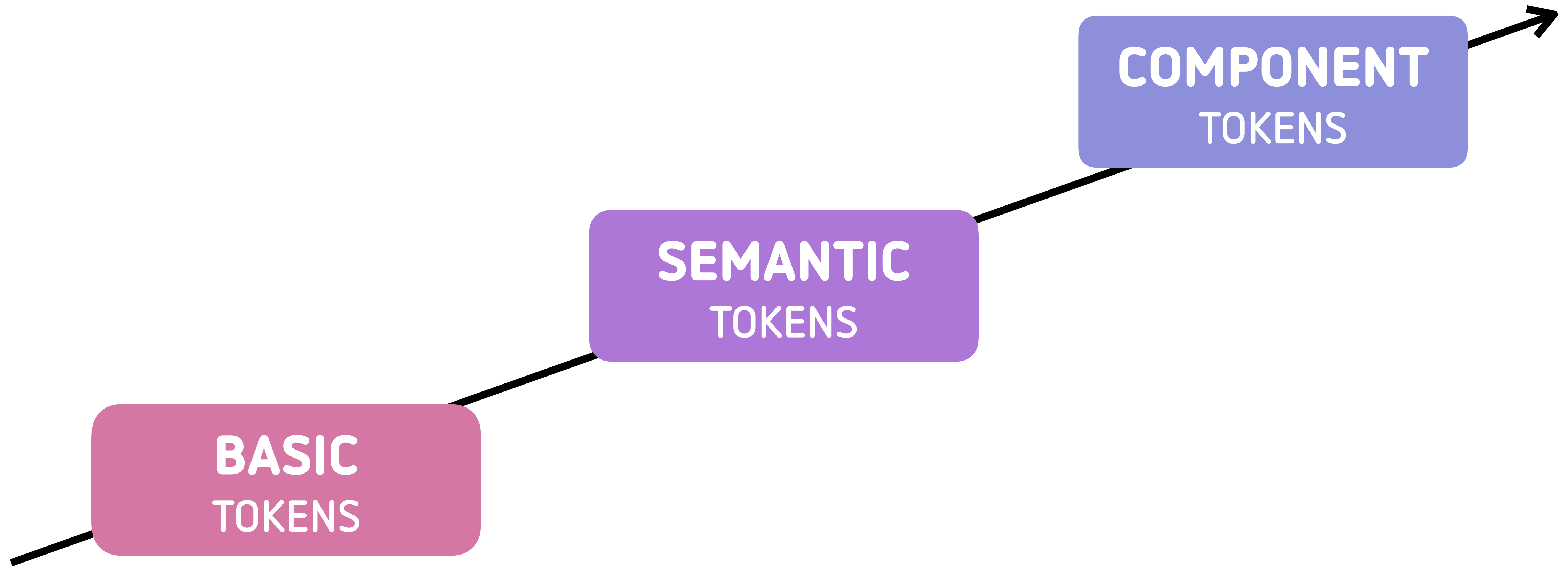
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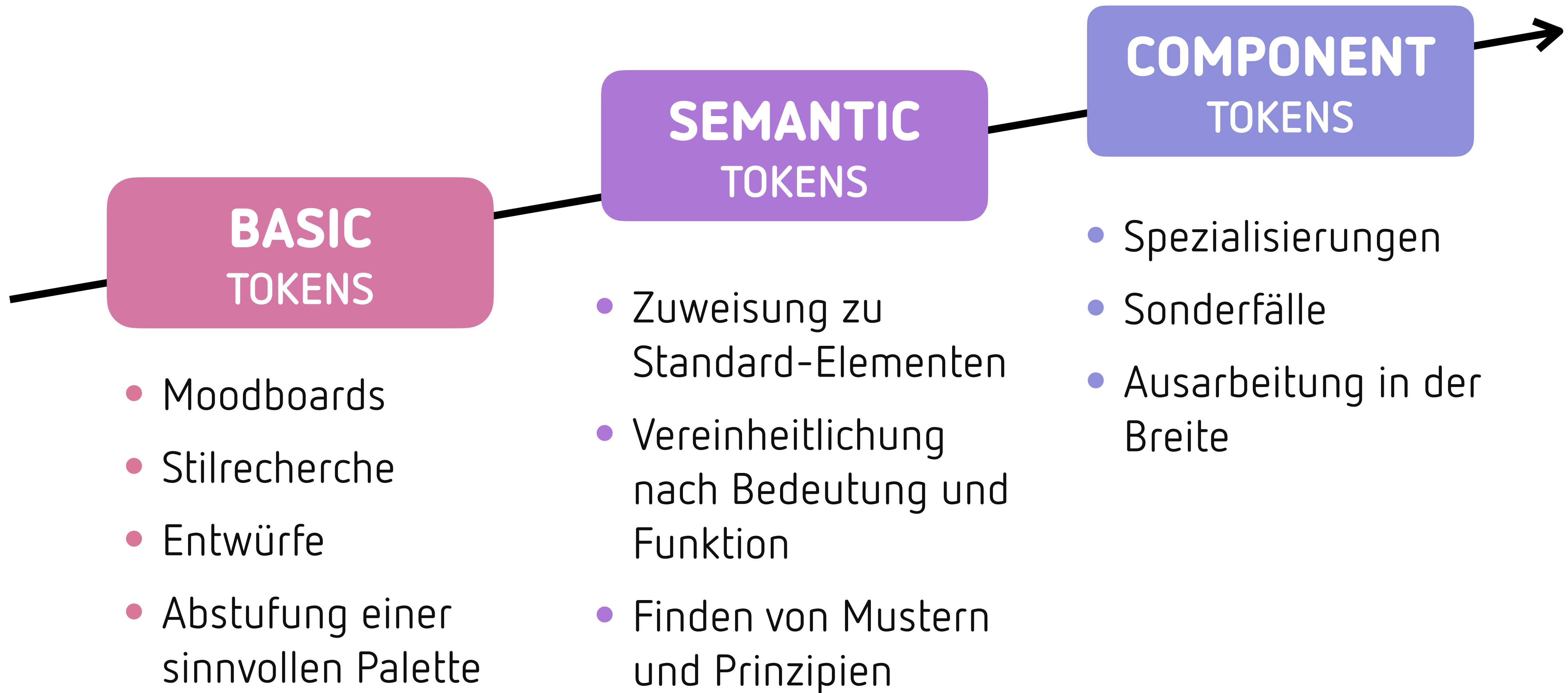
- Weniger Unklarheiten: Gruppierungen sind fest vordefiniert
- Das Ausbrechen aus dem System erfordert aufwändige Neu-Definitionen
- Der Aufbau vereinfacht das erstellen neuer Themes

2.3

WACHSEN MIT DEM SYSTEM

- Wie nenne ich den ersten Token?
- Kann ich alles falsch machen, wenn ich am Anfang die falsche Struktur wähle?
- Müssen zuerst alle Tokens fertig sein, bevor ich an die Entwickler übergebe?
- Fange ich mit Semantic Tokens an oder brauche ich gleich Component-Tokens?





- Tokens können den gesamten Prozess vom Entwurf bis zum fertigen Produkt begleiten
- Anpassungen und Umarbeitungen kommen dabei unvermeidlicher Weise vor, schaffen aber auch ein gemeinsames Verständnis für die (Design-)Entscheidungen
- Abstimmungen aller Beteiligten (Designer bis Entwickler) ist dabei unerlässlich

3

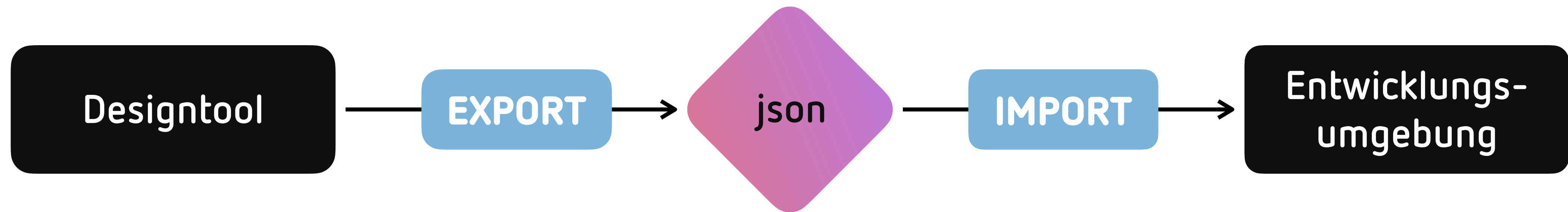
TOKENS IN DER PRAXIS

Key Benefits

- „Bridging The Gap“ – Förderung eines besseren Austausch zwischen allen Beteiligten
 - Automatisierung von Übergabe-Prozessen
 - Themes!
- wichtig*
- mächtig*
- beeindruckend*
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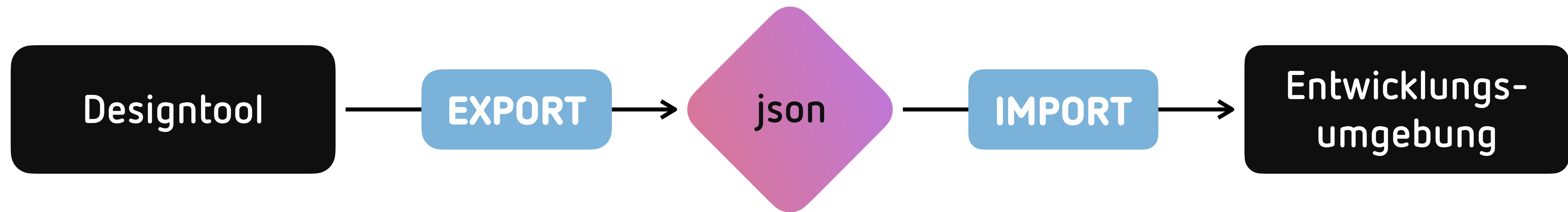
3.1

WIE NUTZEN TOOLS DIESE VORTEILE



- Figma

- Web
- iOS
- Android
- Powerpoint?



- Figma

- Projektierungs-
umgebung?



- Farben
- Rahmen, Größen, Abstände
- Schriften, Schriftgrößen
- Effekte
- JSON



zenon
by COPA-DATA

- Farben
 - Mehrere Paletten, die während der Laufzeit umgeschaltet werden können
- Schriften, Schriftgrößen
- Schatten
- XML



**SIMATIC WinCC
Unified System**

- V19 Update 2
 - 500 Farben pro Palette
- WinCC Unified Corporate Designer
 - Stilbibliothek
 - Proprietäres Austauschformat



*Eigenes
Ökosystem*



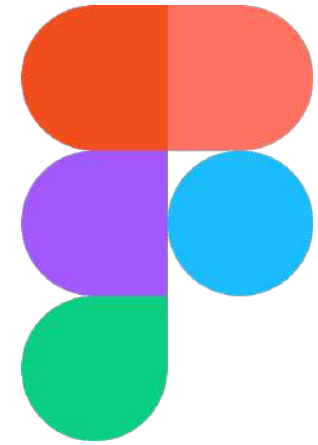
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Aber hier geht alles?

- Projektierungs-
umgebung?

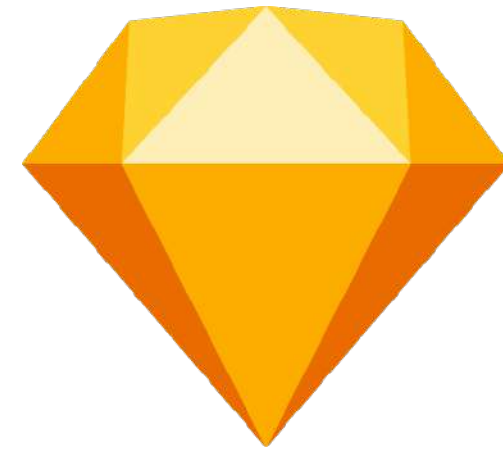
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TOKENS IN DER PRAXIS TOOLS



Figma

- „Variables“
- Vermischt Tokens mit Inhalt und Prototyping
- Kein nativer Export
- Große Projekte brauchen teure Abonnements



Sketch

- Limitiert auf Farben, Stile und Schriften
- Mehr über Plugins

Eingeschränkt



Adobe XD

- Stile
- Export als CSS

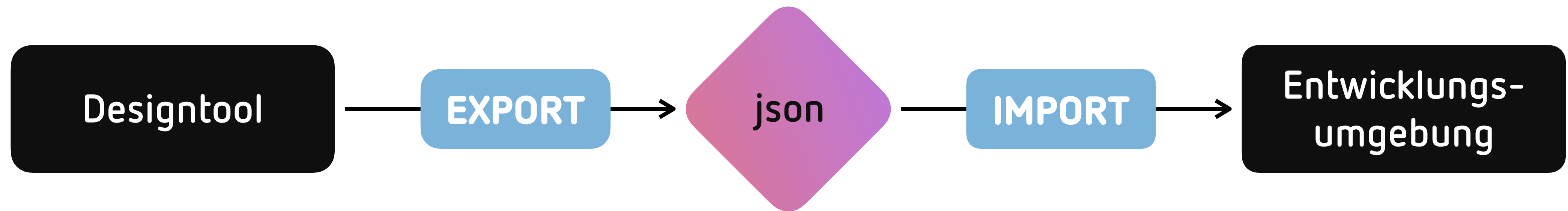
„Wartungsmodus“



Penpot

- Open Source
- Wenig Verbreitung
- Standardkonforme Integration geplant





- Figma

Es wird...

- Projektierungs-
umgebung?

bedingt

Lohnt sich der Einsatz in industriellen UIs?

3.2

ERKENNTNISSE UND CHANCEN

Design

- Schaffung eigener Guidelines, die das Design konsistent halten.
- Benennung schafft Klarheit, spart Dokumentation (ist aber auch schwierig)
- Vereinfacht arbeiten im Team (Designer zu Designer)
- „Fundamentale“ Änderungen können schnell umgesetzt werden
- Unabhängigkeit von Tools: Standardisierung statt proprietären Stilen

Entwicklung

- Gemeinsames Verständnis über den Aufbau von Komponenten
- Bessere Trennung von Inhalt und Design
- Änderungen (auch wenn sie manuell übernommen werden müssen) können einfach mit Git nachvollzogen werden

TOKENS IN DER PRAXIS **CHANCEN**

A11Y

A11Y

WCAG-Konformität

EAA / BFSG

Flexibilität & Geschwindigkeit

Für große Projekte



Kaum Nachteile^{*}
Auch bei kleinen Projekten

VIELEN DANK!

W3C Draft

<https://second-editors-draft.tr.designtokens.org/>

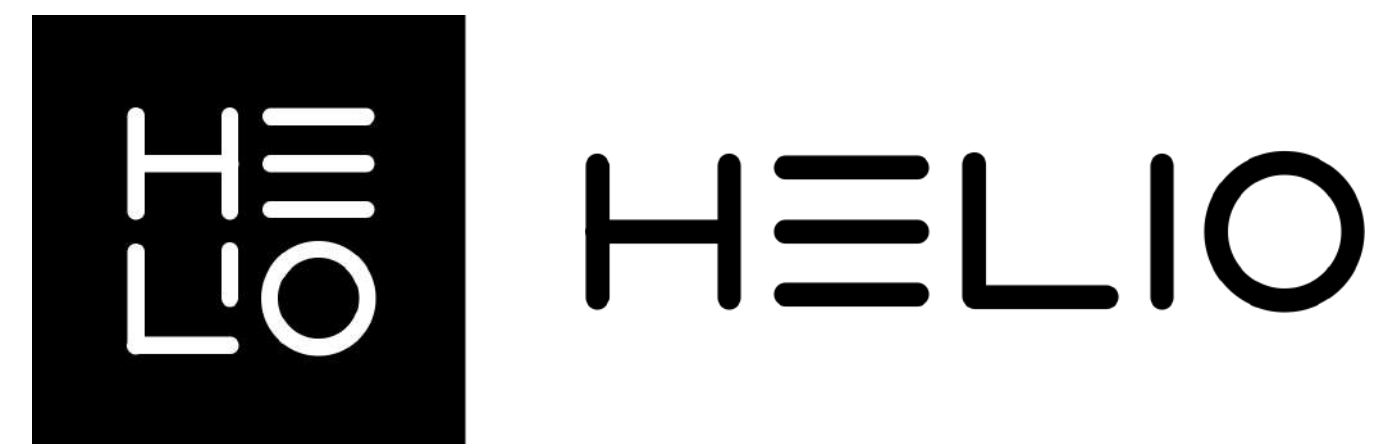
Naming Tokens

Unterhaltsam: <https://thedesigntoken.guide/design-tokens-naming-playbook>

Ausführlich: <https://medium.com/eightshapes-llc/naming-tokens-in-design-systems-9e86c7444676>

BEM - Block Element Modifier

<https://getbem.com/introduction/>



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