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ADVANCED DEPENDENCIES MODEL

IN CONAN 2.0 C, C++ PACKAGE MANAGER

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Who am I



What is Conan

- FOSS Package Manager for C/C++
 - MIT license
- Universal
 - Multi-platform
 - Any build system
- Efficient - Binaries
- Stable, active and supported

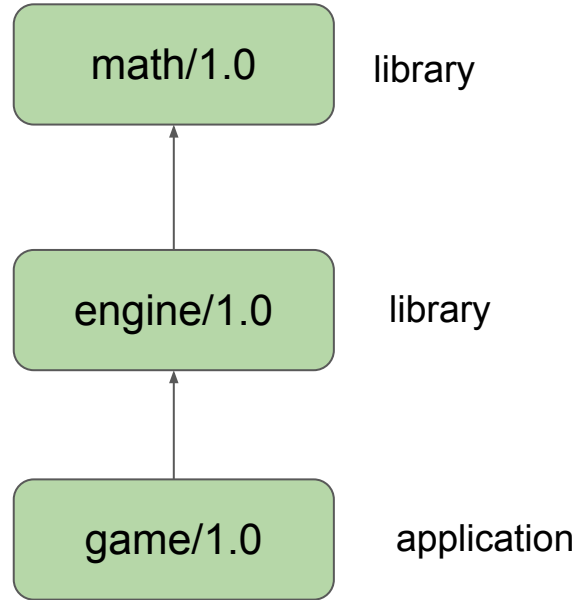


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C/C++ native artifacts model



Math & Engine: Static libraries (.lib, .a)

math2.cpp

```
int add(int a, int b){  
    return a + b;  
}
```

math2.lib

```
?add@@YAHHH@Z (int __cdecl add(int,int)):  
...00000: 89 54 24 10    mov     dword ptr [rsp+10h],edx  
...00004: 89 4C 24 08    mov     dword ptr [rsp+8],ecx  
...00008: 57             push   rdi  
...00009: 8B 44 24 18    mov     eax,dword ptr [rsp+18h]  
...0000D: 8B 4C 24 10    mov     ecx,dword ptr [rsp+10h]  
...00011: 03 C8         add     ecx,eax  
...
```

engine.cpp

```
#include "math2.h"  
int move3d(int x, int y, int z){  
    return add(x, add(y, z));  
}
```

engine.lib

```
?move3d@@YAHHHH@Z (int __cdecl move3d(int,int,int)):  
...  
...00021: 8B 4C 24 30    mov     ecx,dword ptr [rsp+30h]  
...00025: 8B 54 24 40    mov     edx,dword ptr [rsp+40h]  
...00029: 8B 4C 24 38    mov     ecx,dword ptr [rsp+38h]  
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...
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Executable linking static libraries

game.cpp

```
#include "engine.h"  
  
int main(){  
    std::cout << move3d(1, 2, 3);  
}
```

game.exe

main:

```
...  
...01400014F5: 41 B8 80 0D 00 00  mov     r8d,0D80h  
...01400014FB: BA 29 09 00 00     mov     edx,929h  
...0140001500: B9 D2 04 00 00     mov     ecx,4D2h  
...0140001505: E8 8B FC FF FF     call   ?move3d@@YAHHHH@Z
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Shared library linking static

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engine.dll

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```

?move3d@@YAHHHH@Z:

```
...140001EC9: FF 25 01 D4 00 00  jmp    qword ptr
[__imp_?move3d@@YAHHHH@Z]
```


C++20 modules do not change this

- Shared, static libraries still exist

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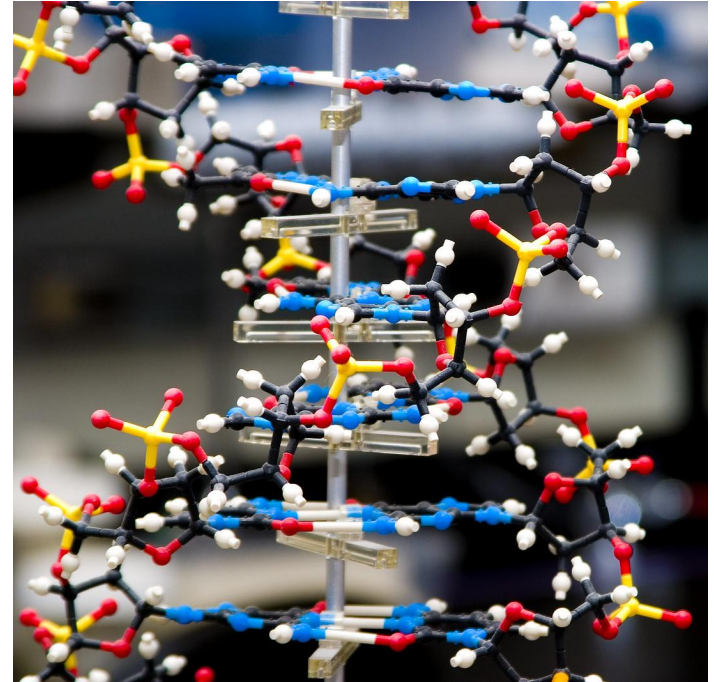
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Conanfile: A package “recipe”

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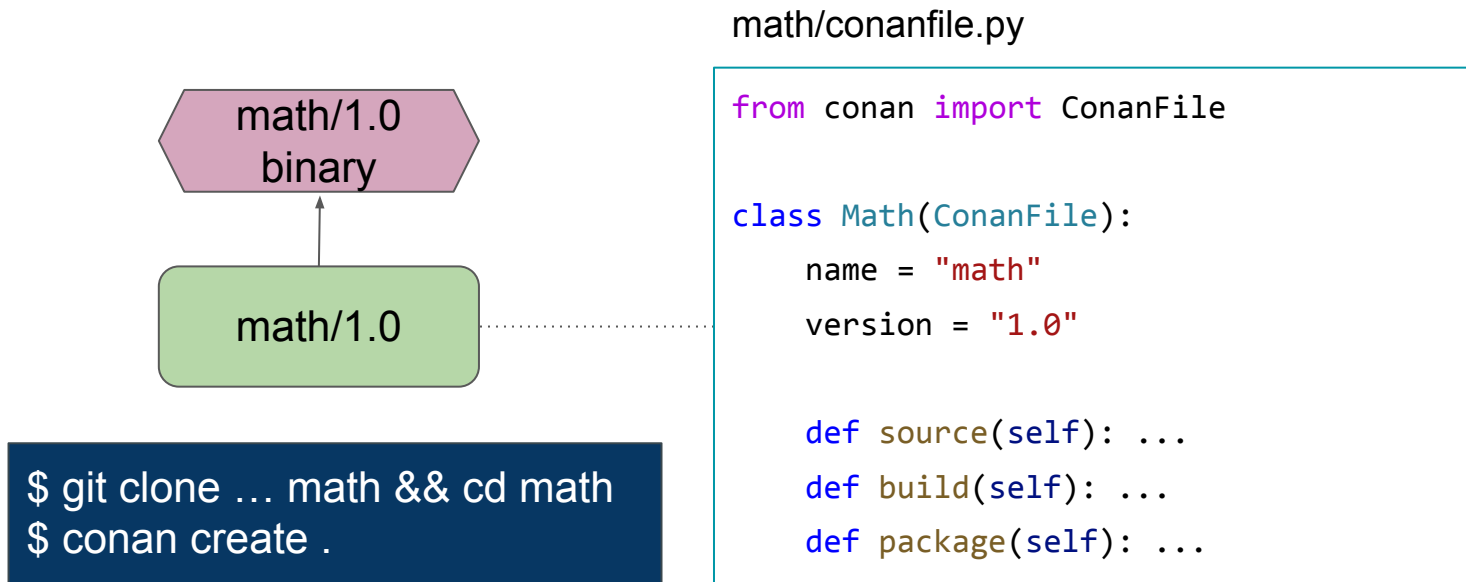
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from conan import ConanFile

class Math(ConanFile):
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    def source(self): ...
    def build(self): ...
    def package(self): ...
```

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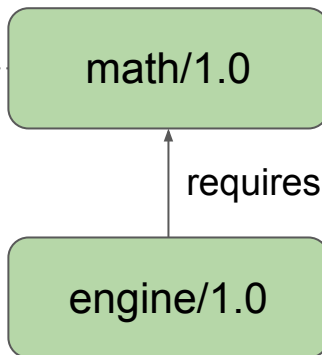


Conan 1.X dependency model

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engine/conanfile.py

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from conan import ConanFile

class Engine(ConanFile):
    name = "engine"
    version = "1.0"
    generators = "CMakeDeps"
    requires = "math/1.0"

# Or alternatively, if logic needed
def requirements(self):
    if <something>:
        self.requires("math/1.0")
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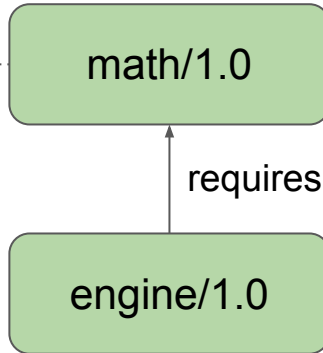
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$ git clone ... engine && cd engine
$ conan install .
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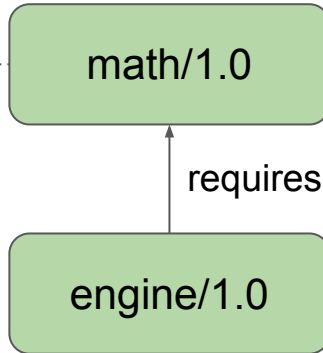
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math-config.cmake

```
set_property(TARGET math::math ...)
```

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$ conan install .
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Conan 1.X dependency model

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math/1.0

requires

engine/1.0

engine/conanfile.py

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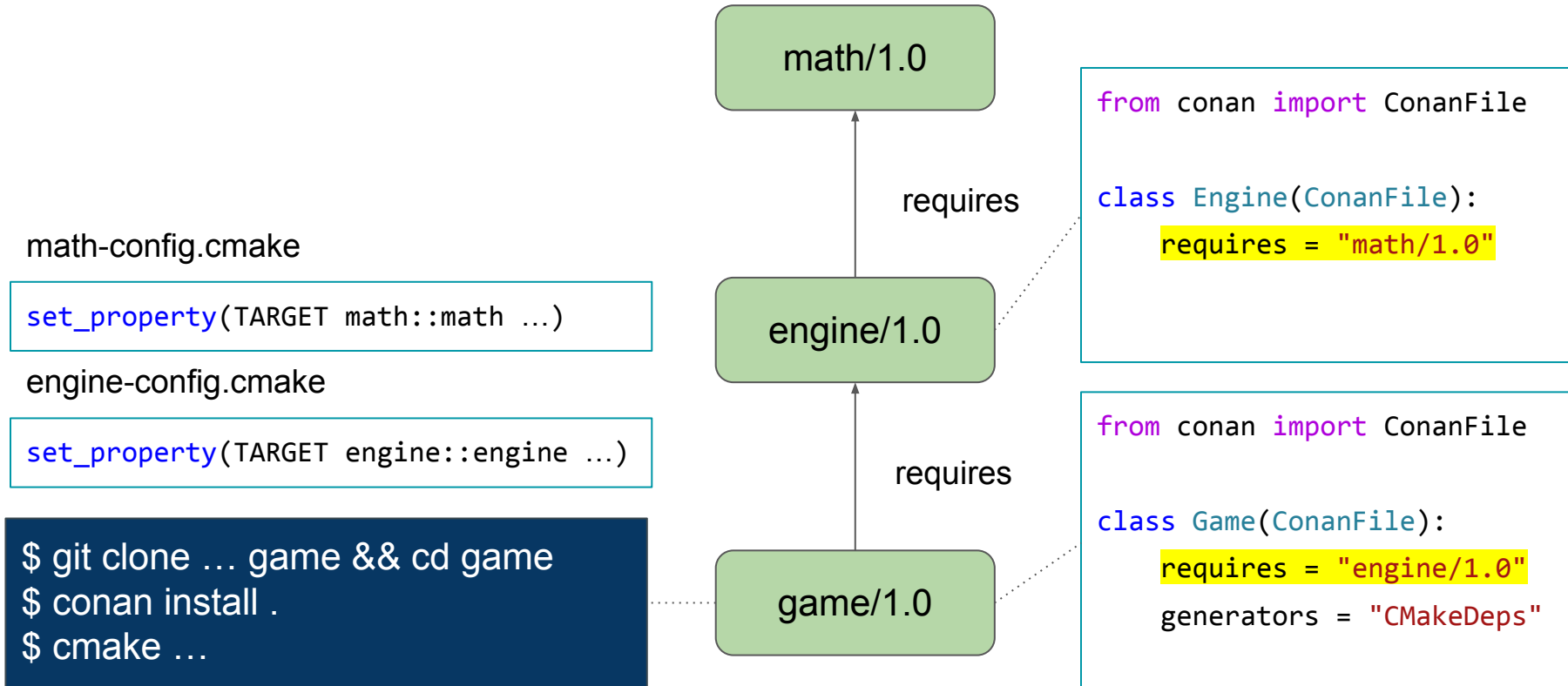
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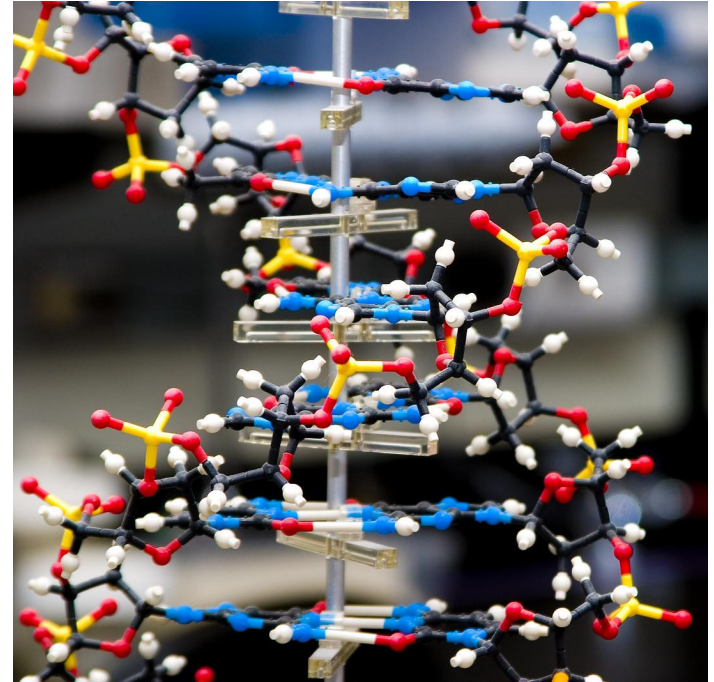
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$ conan install .
$ cmake ... # engine/CMakeLists.txt
```

Conan 1.X dependency model: Transitive deps

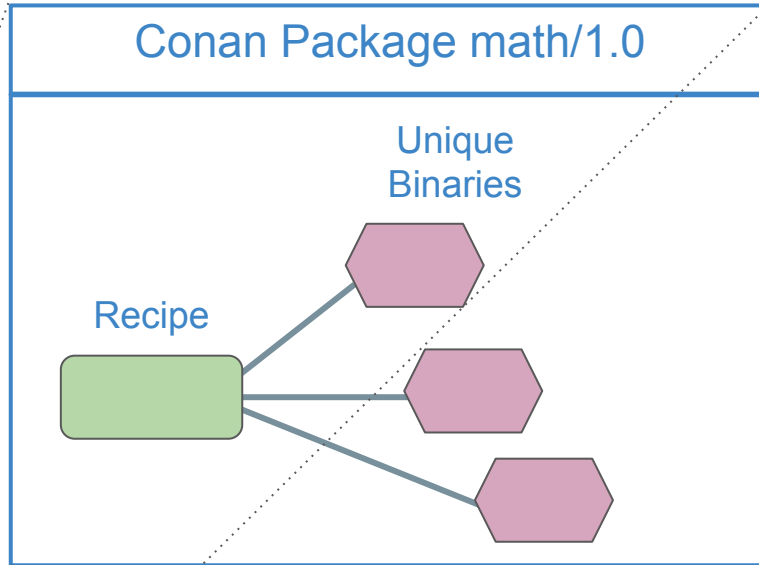


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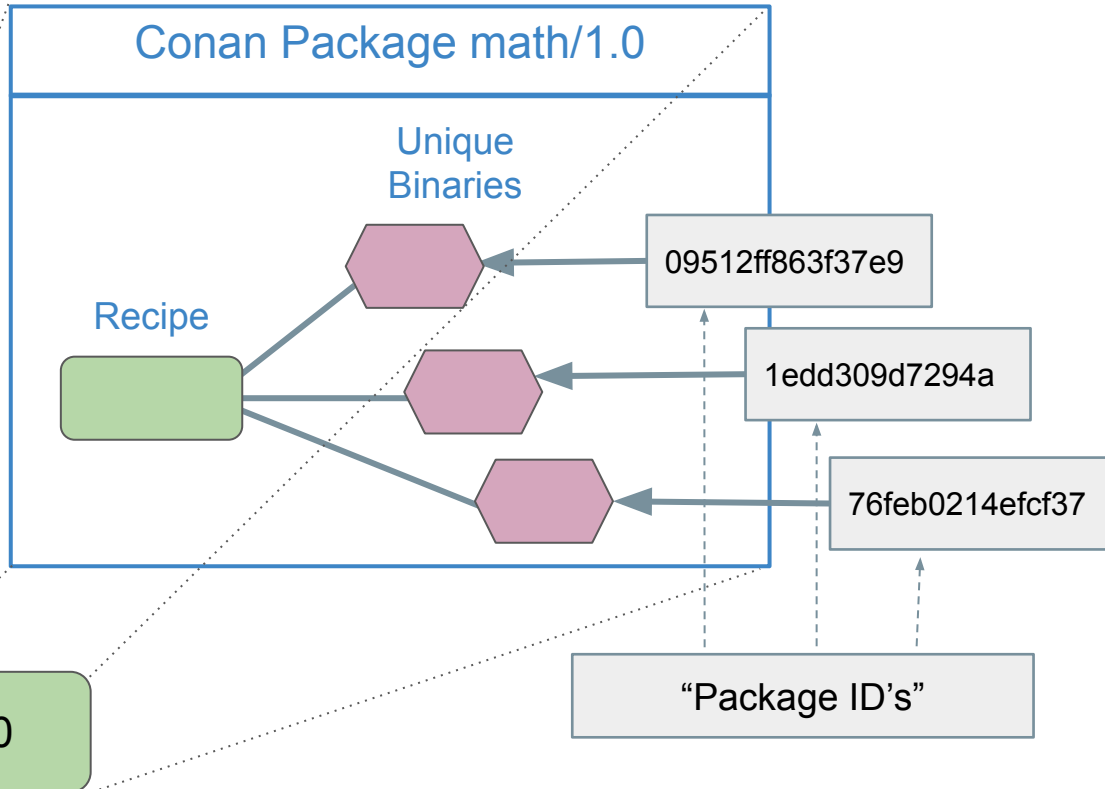


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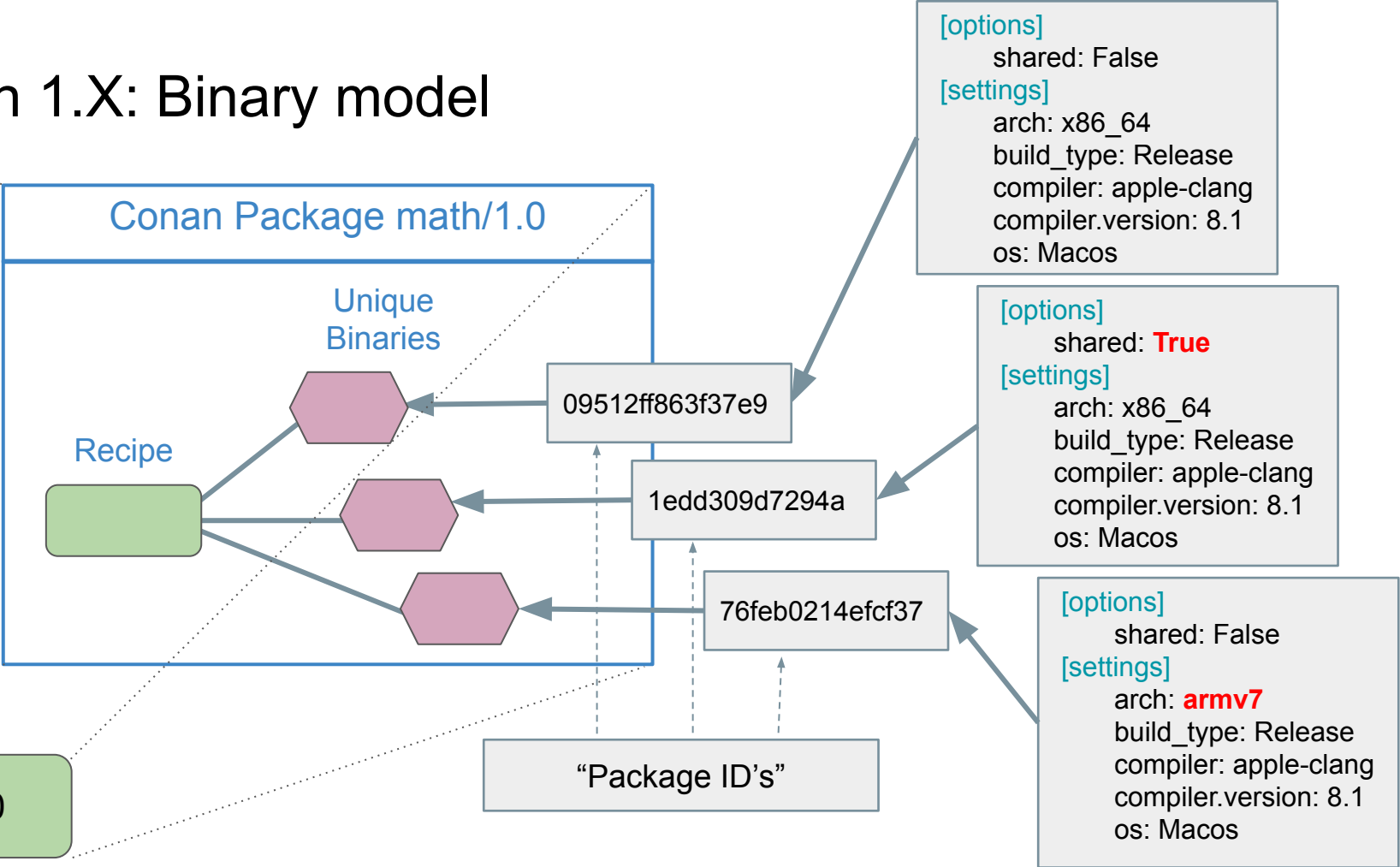


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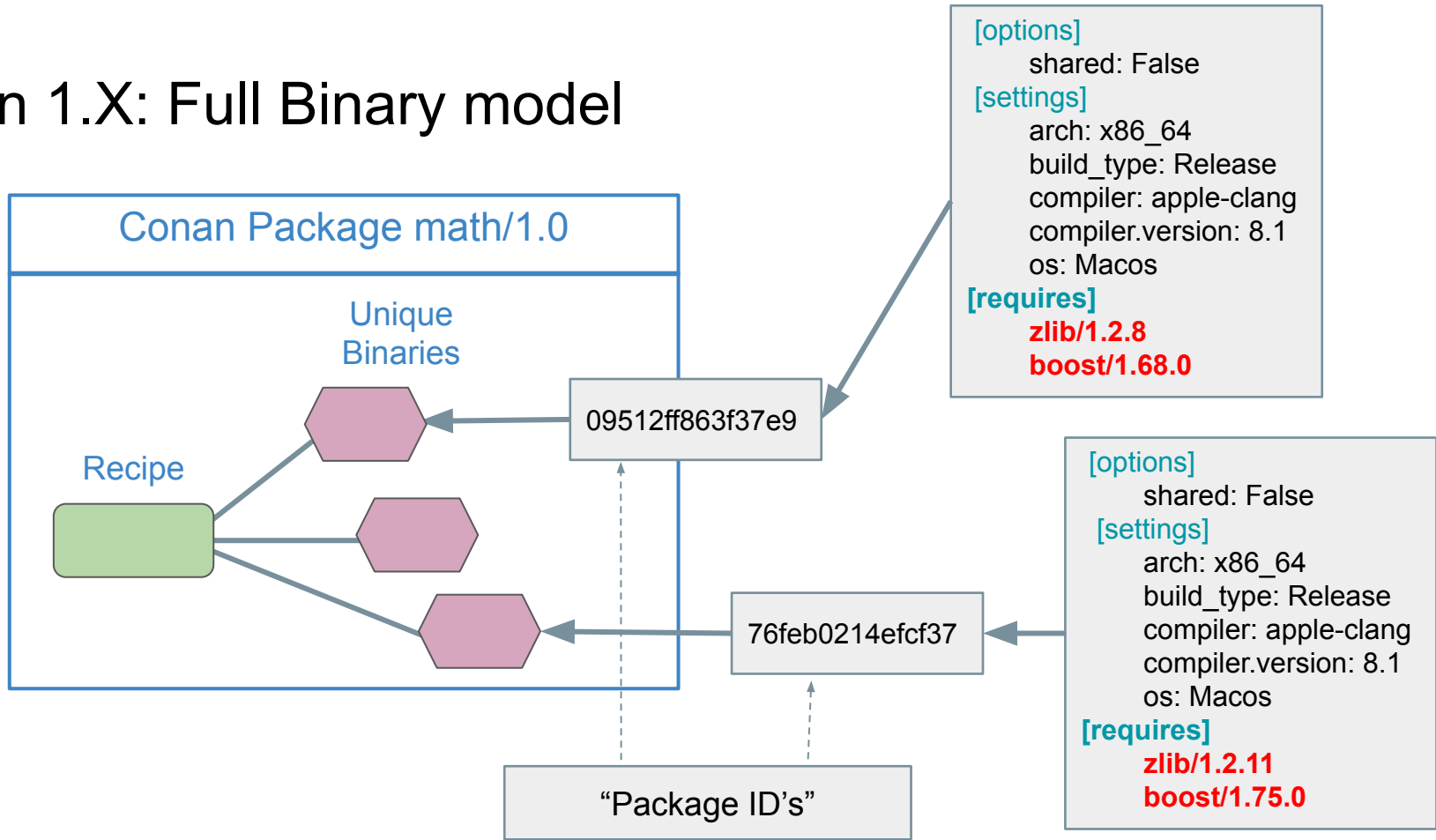
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Conan 1.X: Full Binary model

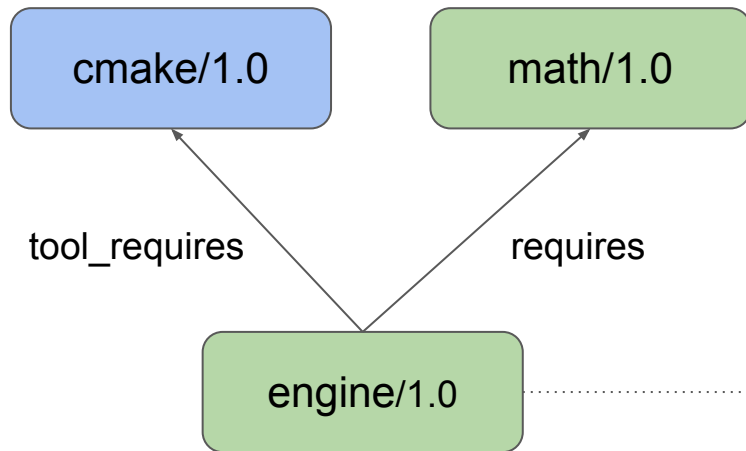


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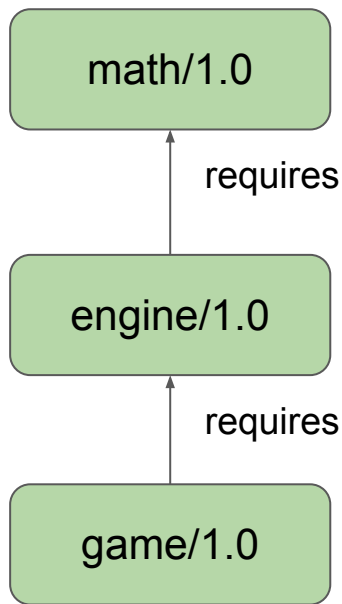
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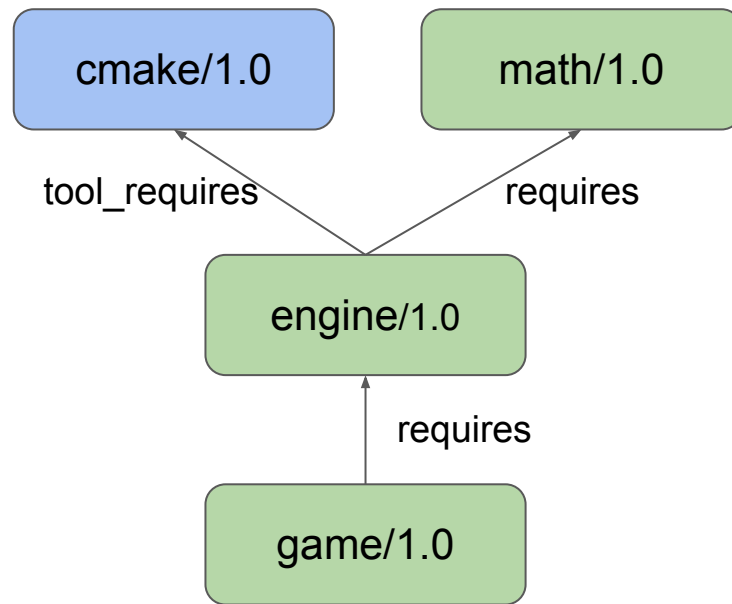
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from conan import ConanFile

class Engine(ConanFile):
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    tool_requires = "cmake/1.0"
```

Conan 1.X: tool_requires

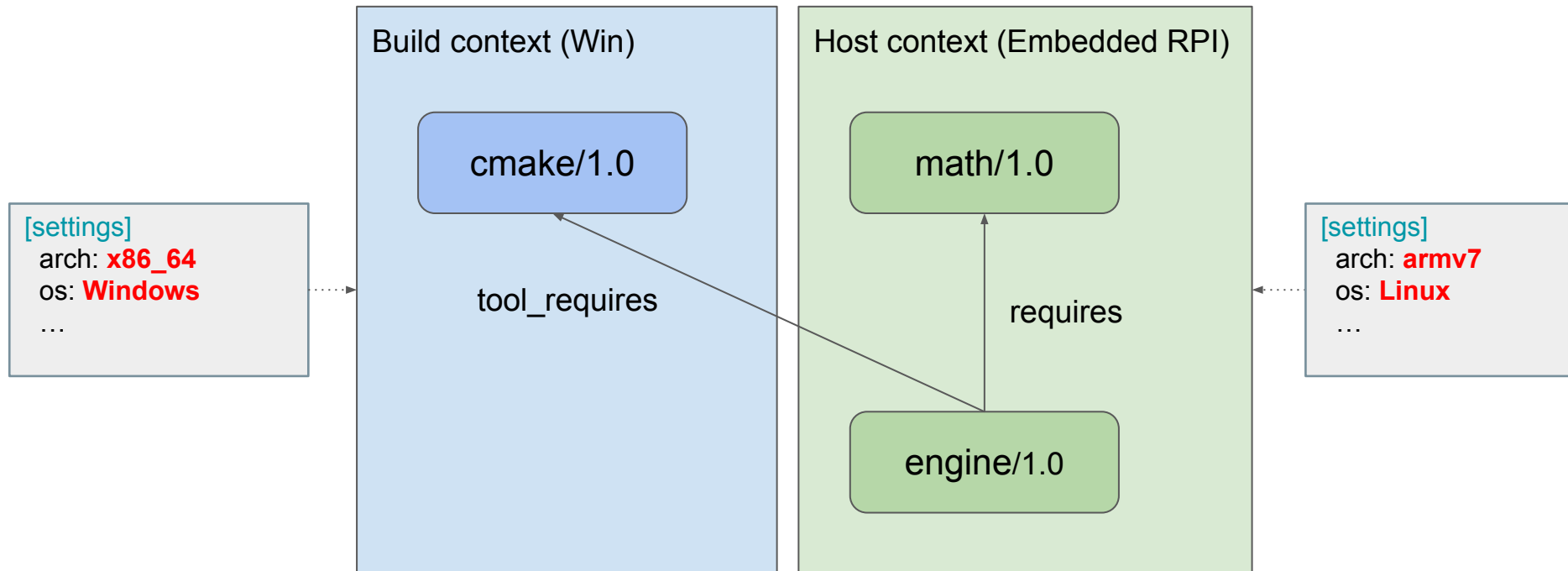


```
$ conan install .  
# existing engine/1.0 binary
```

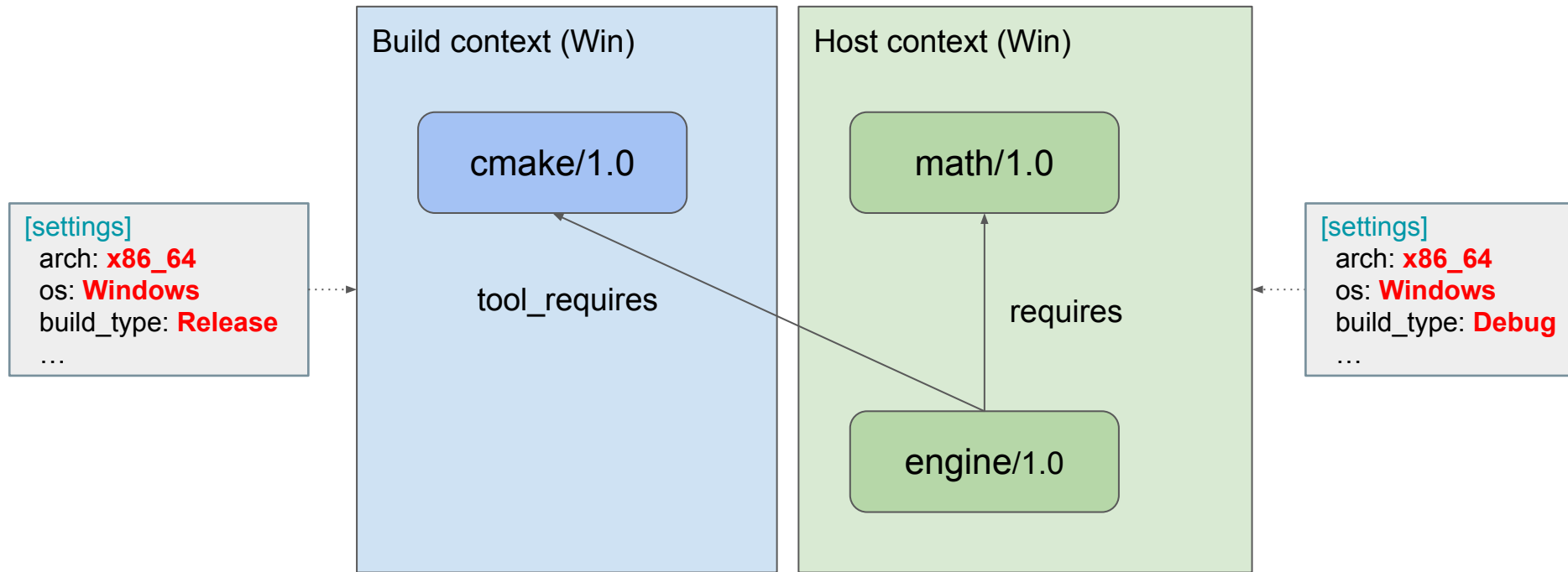


```
$ conan install . --build=engine  
# build engine/1.0 from source
```

Conan 1.X: Build and host contexts: cross build model



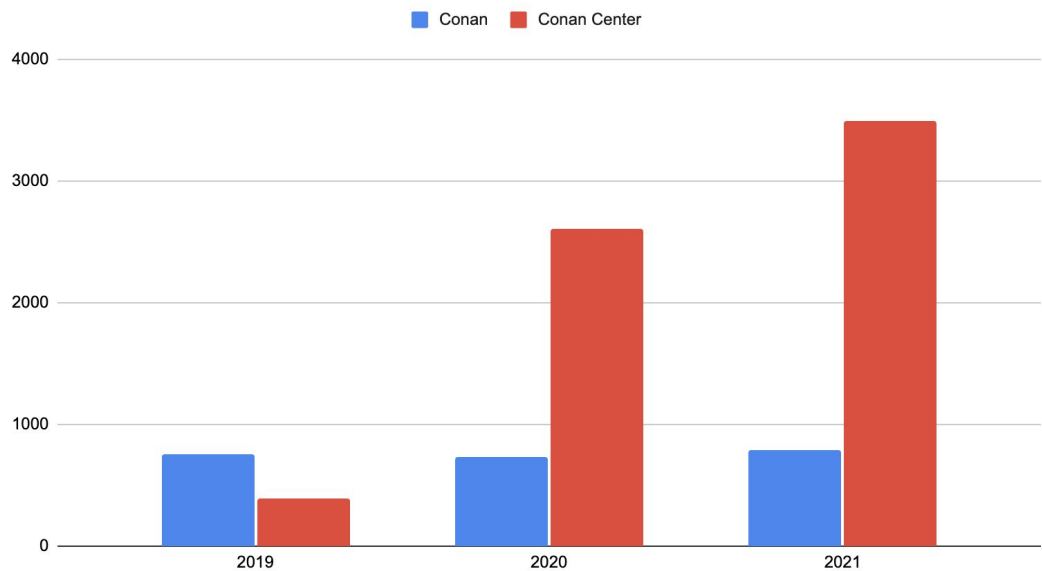
Conan 1.X: Contexts: not only for cross build



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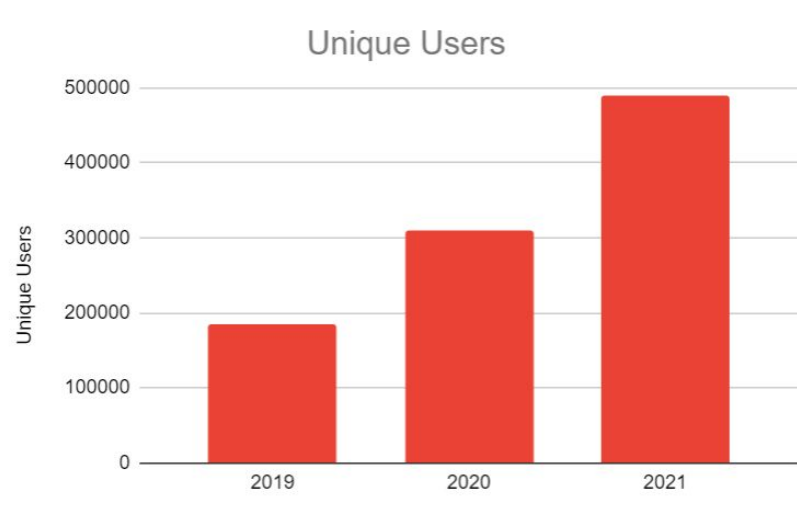
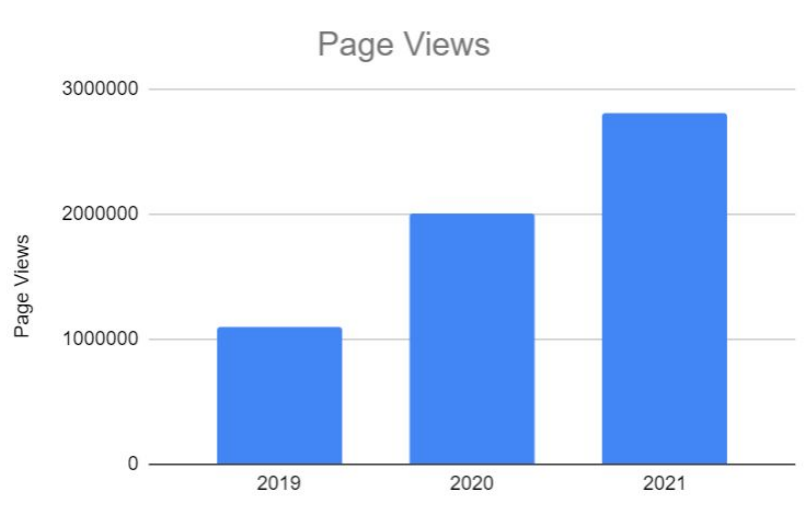
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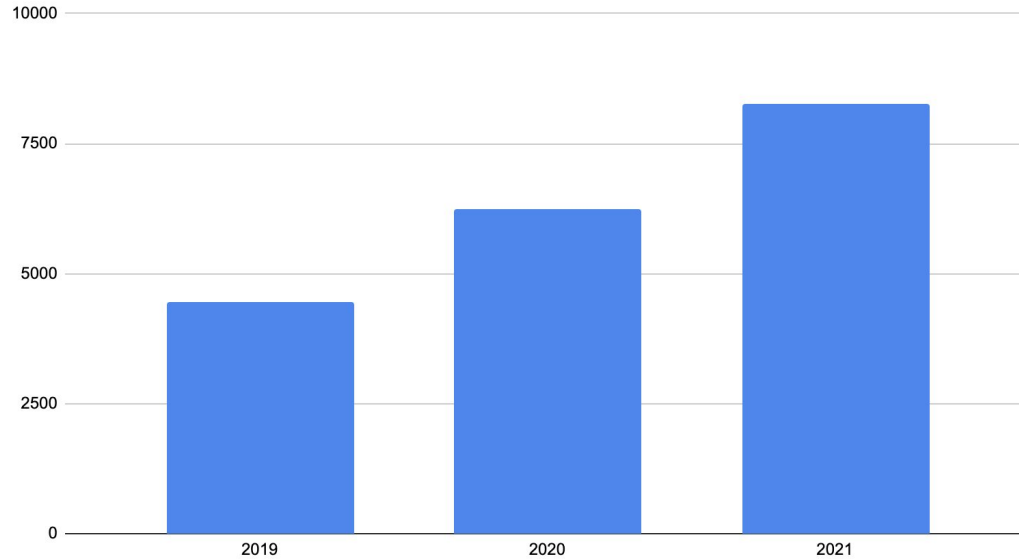


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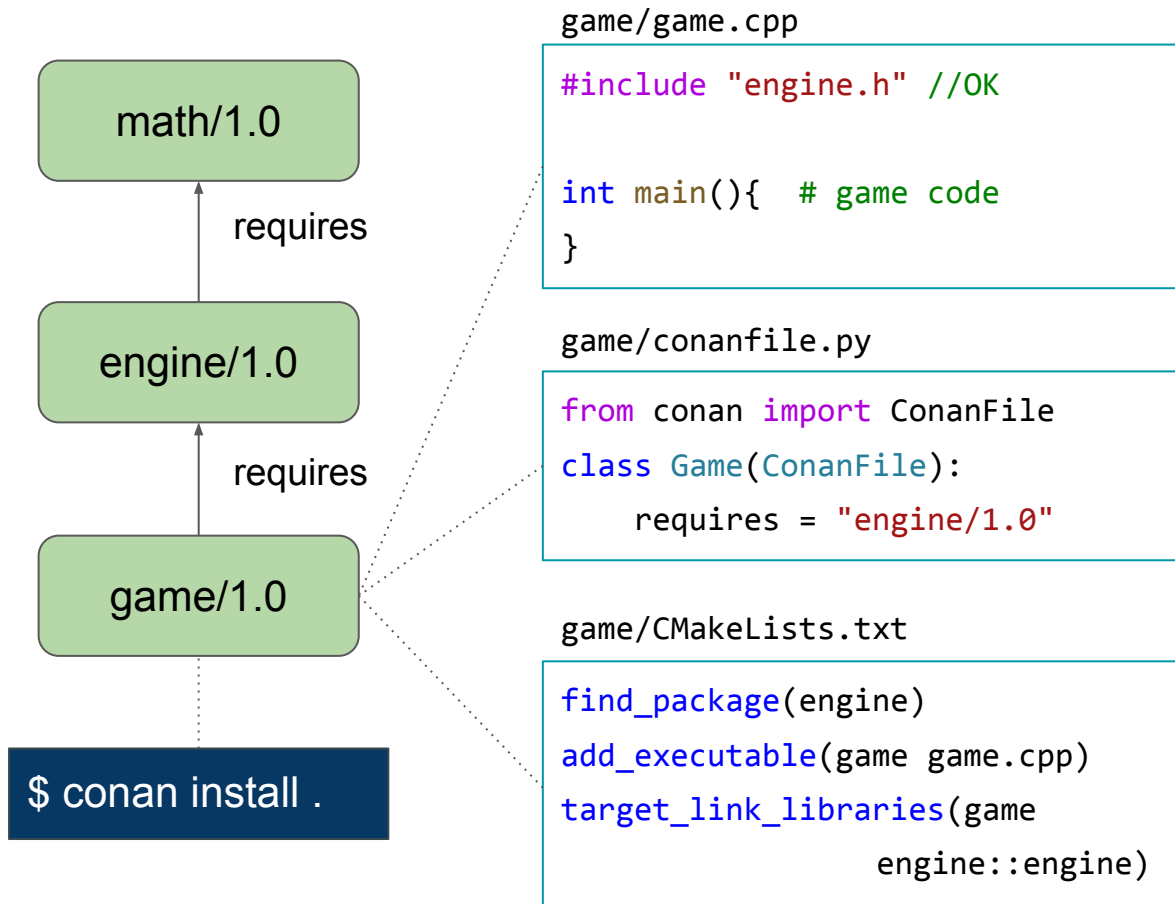


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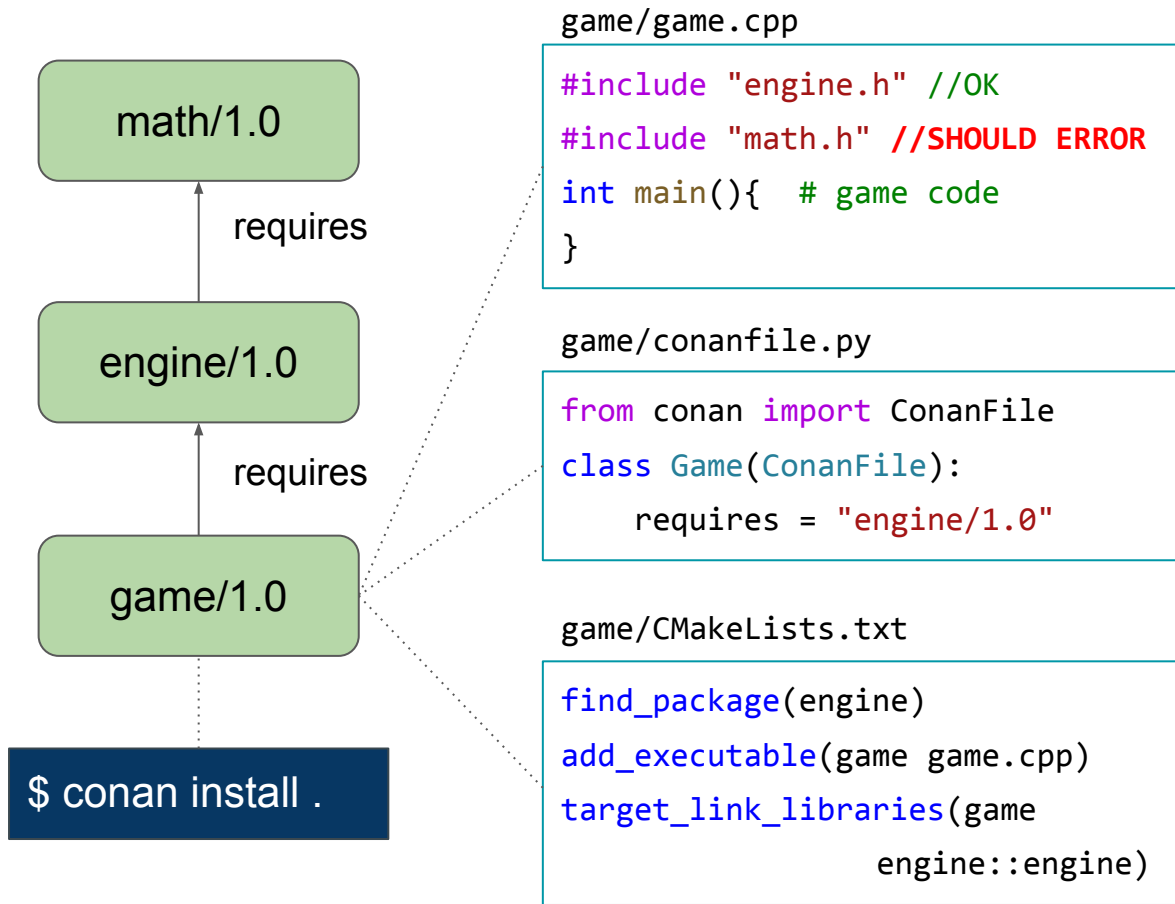
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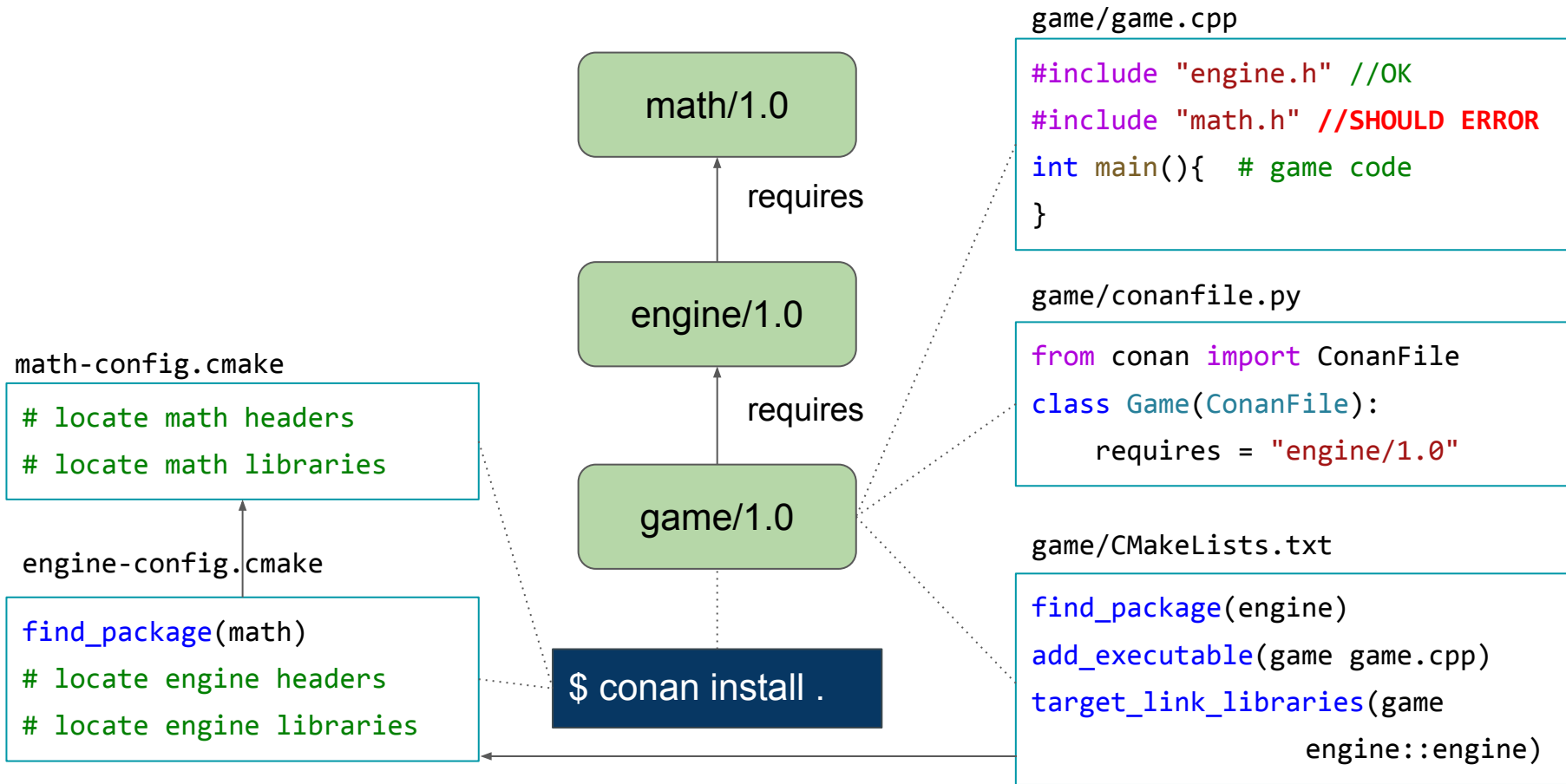
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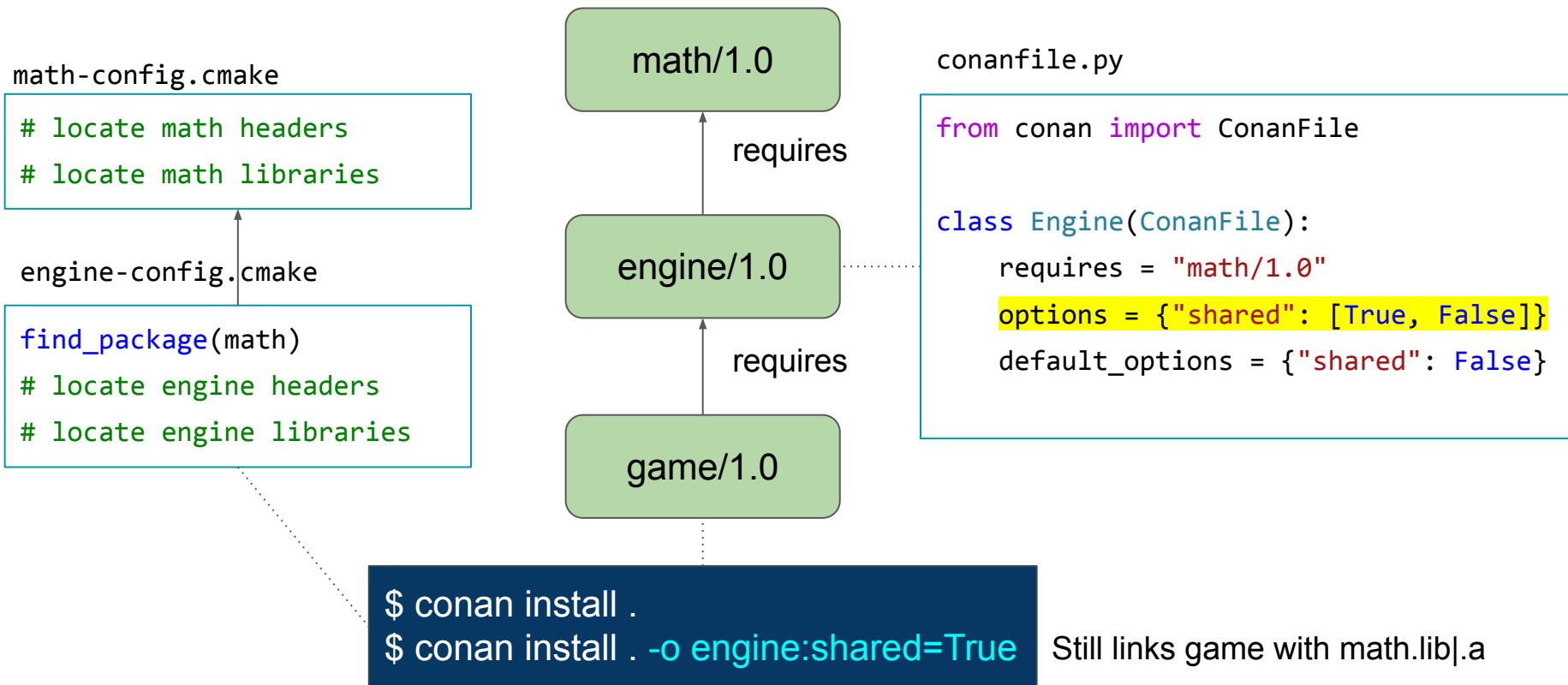


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Propagation of linkage

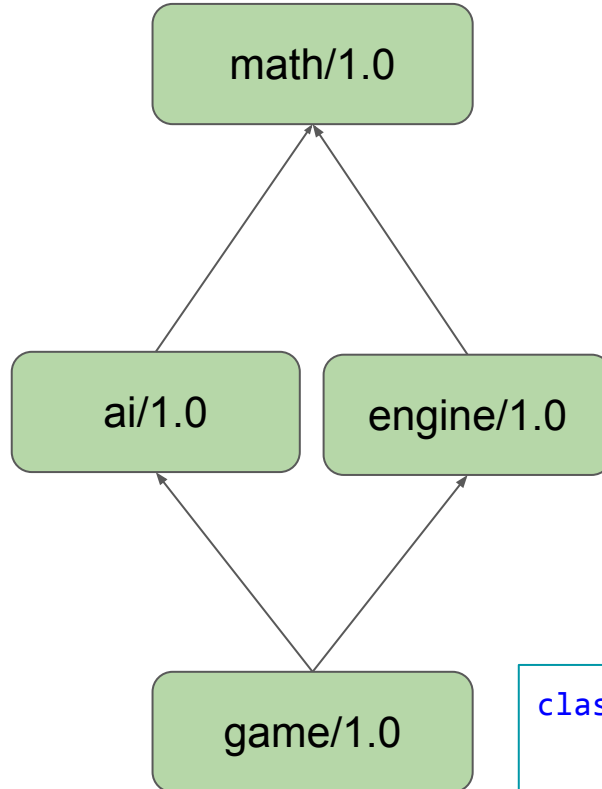


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Dependency graph: Diamond

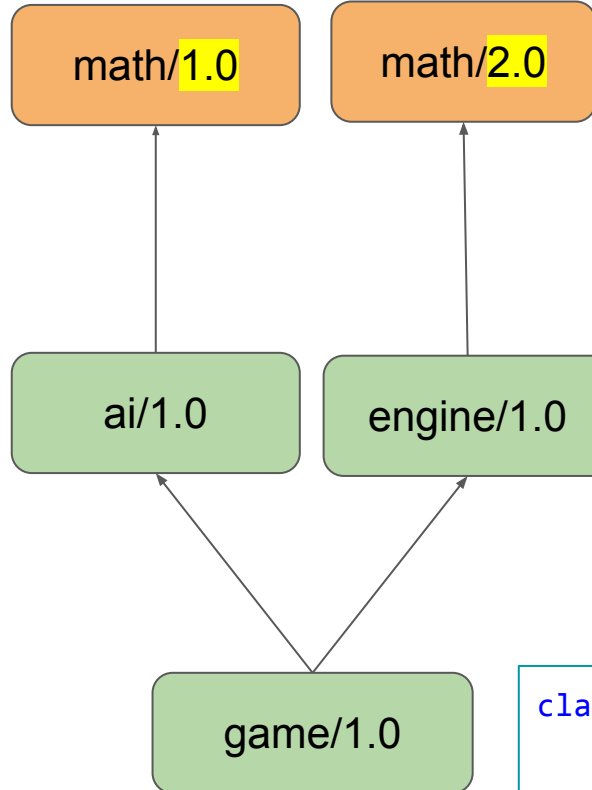


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class AI(ConanFile):  
    requires = "math/1.0"
```

```
class Engine(ConanFile):  
    requires = "math/1.0"
```

```
class Game(ConanFile):  
    requires = "ai/1.0", "engine/1.0"
```

Version conflict



ERROR!

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```
class Engine(ConanFile):  
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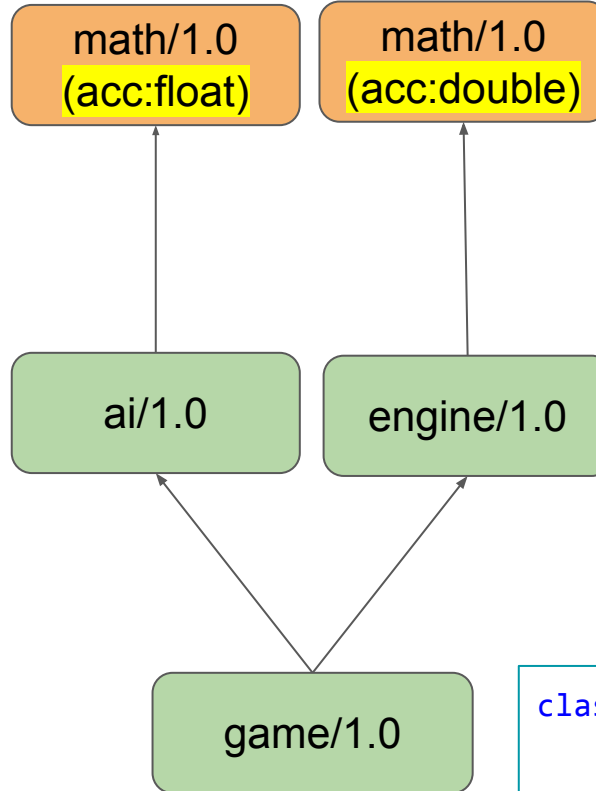
Configuration conflict

```
class Math(ConanFile):  
    options = {"acc":  
              ["double", "float"]}
```

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    requires = "math/1.0"  
    default_options =  
        {"math:acc": "float"}
```

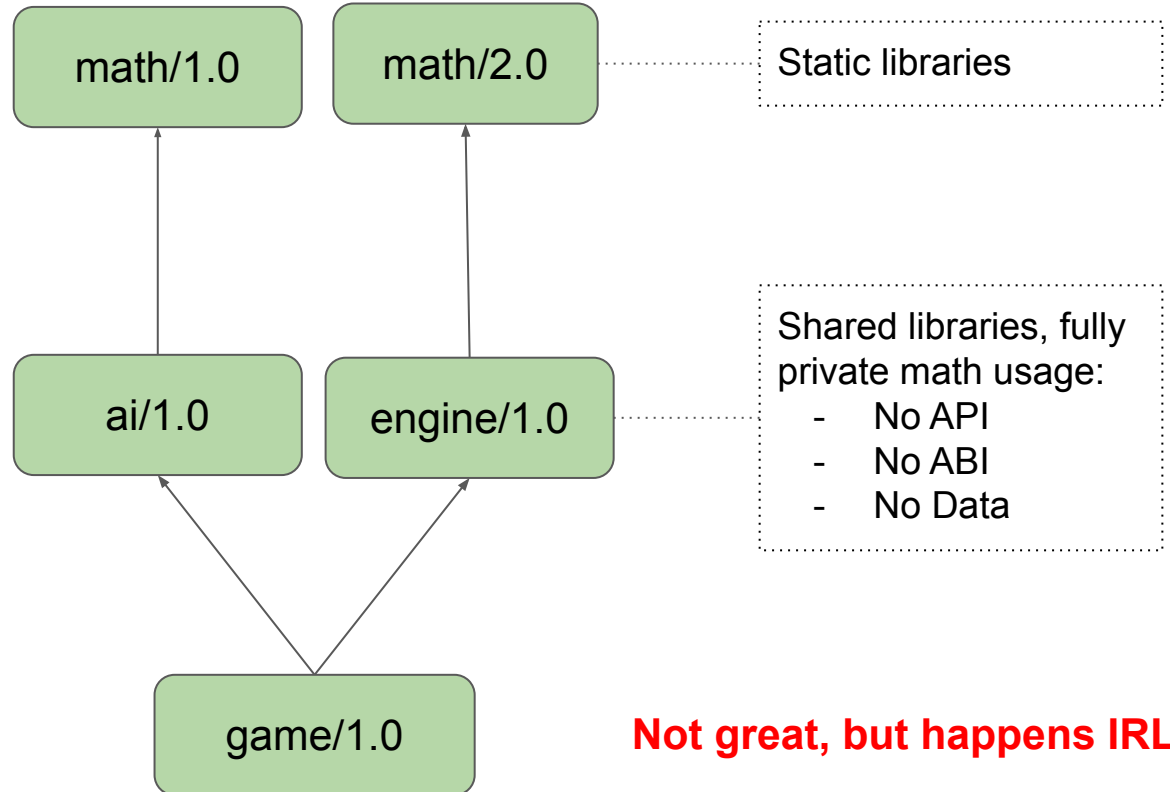
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ERROR!

Hidden/private dependencies



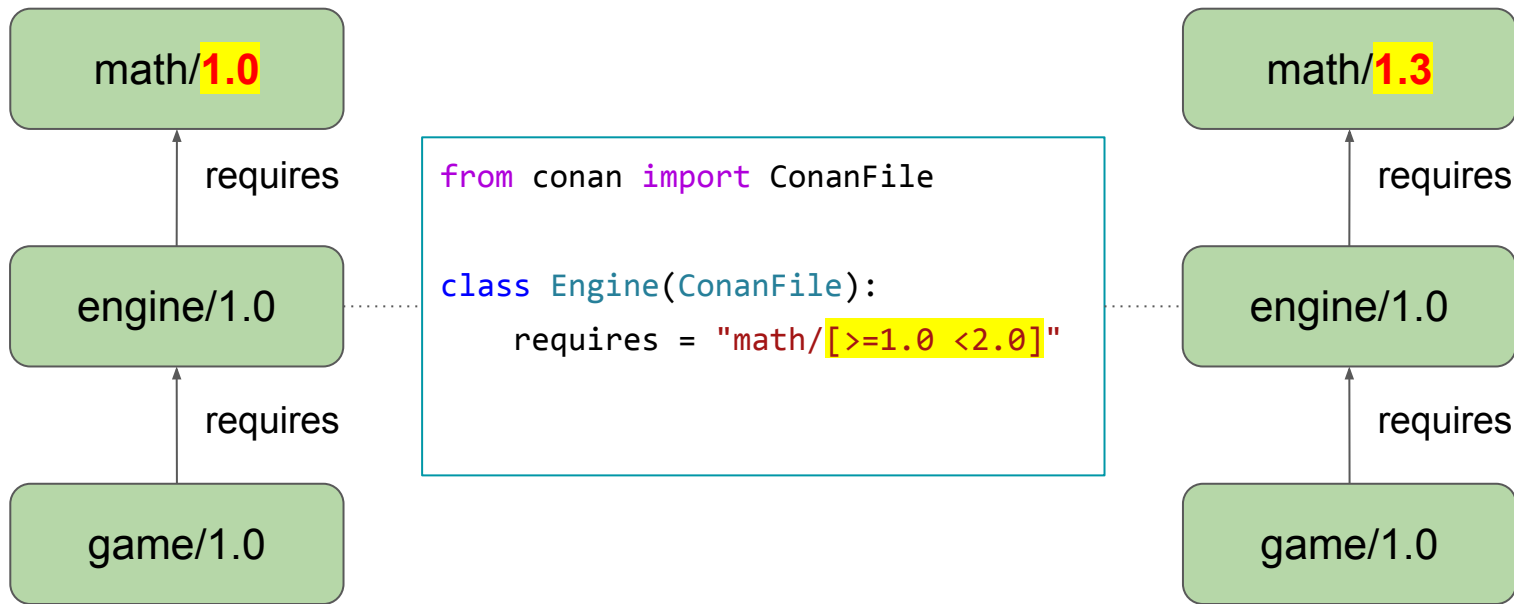
Not great, but happens IRL

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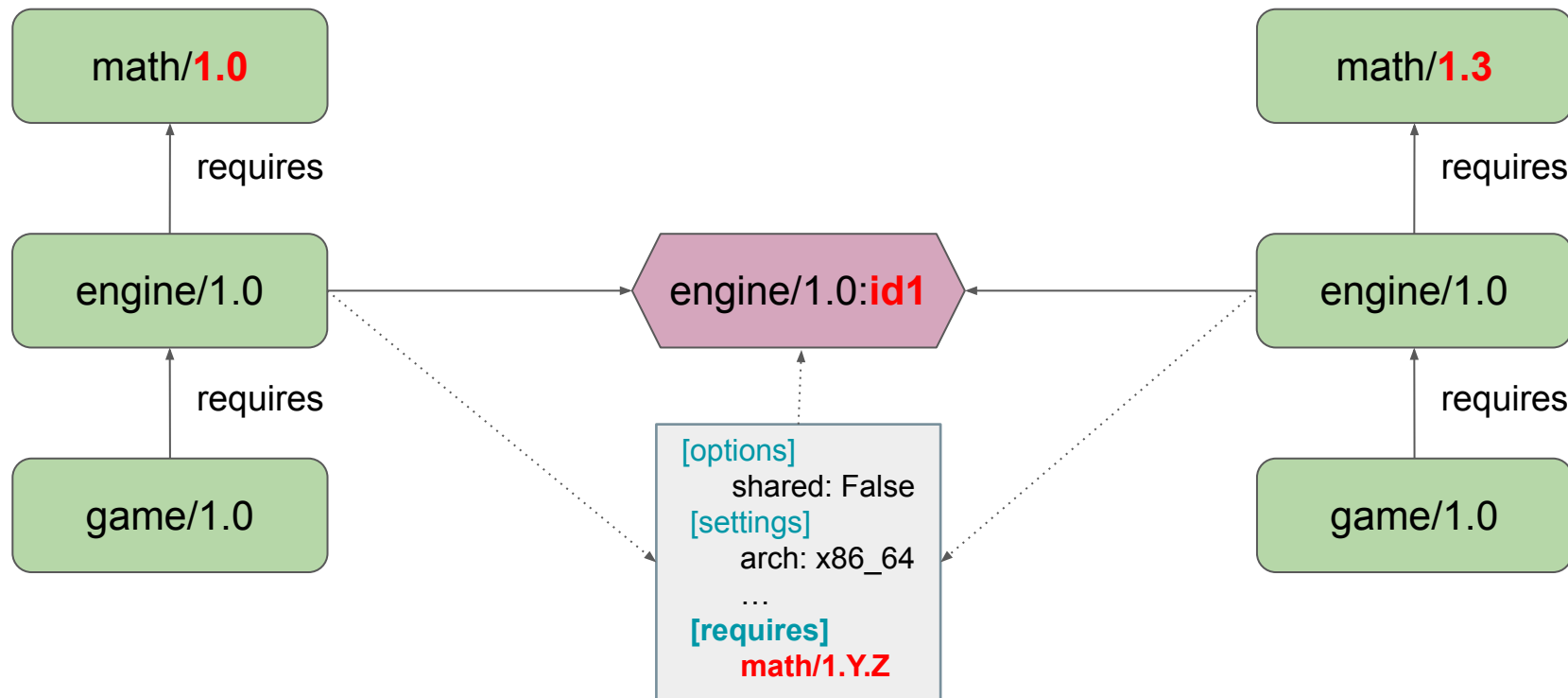
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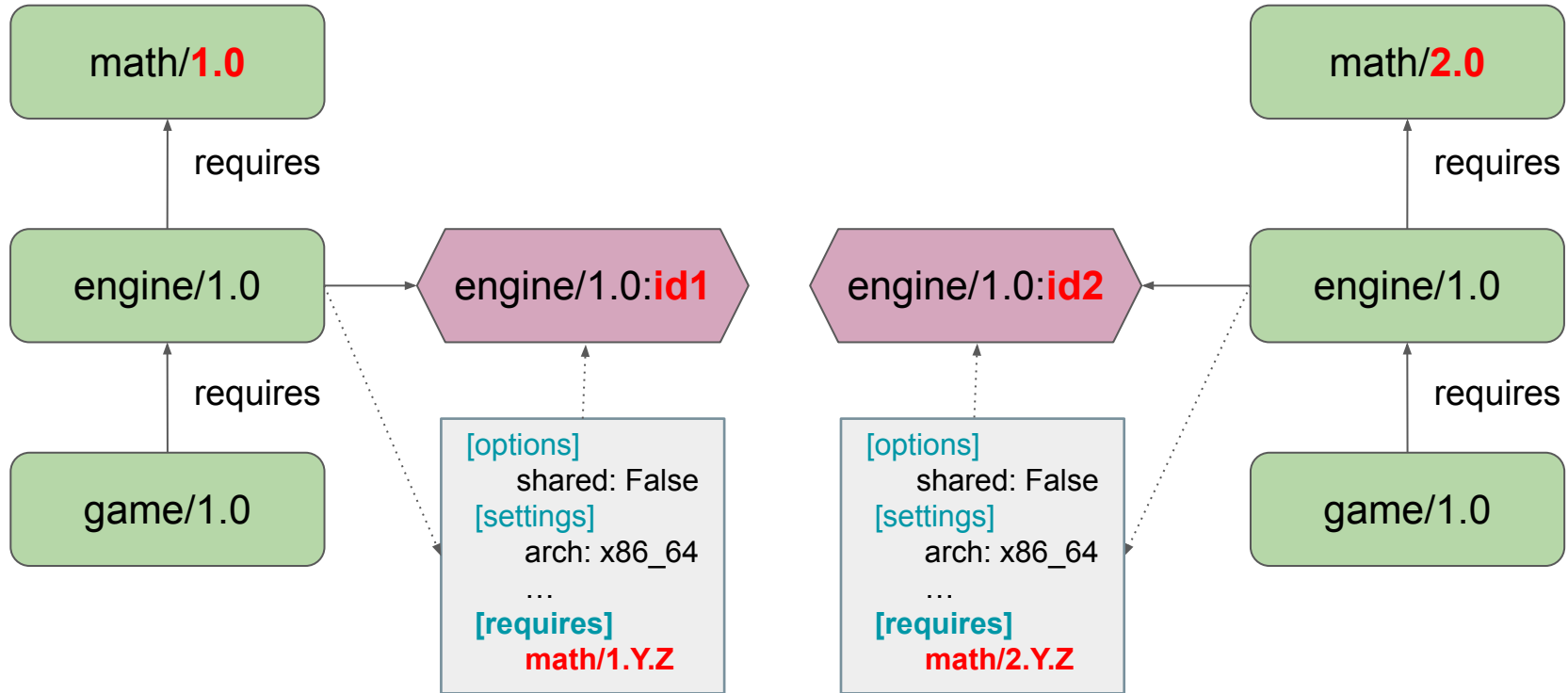
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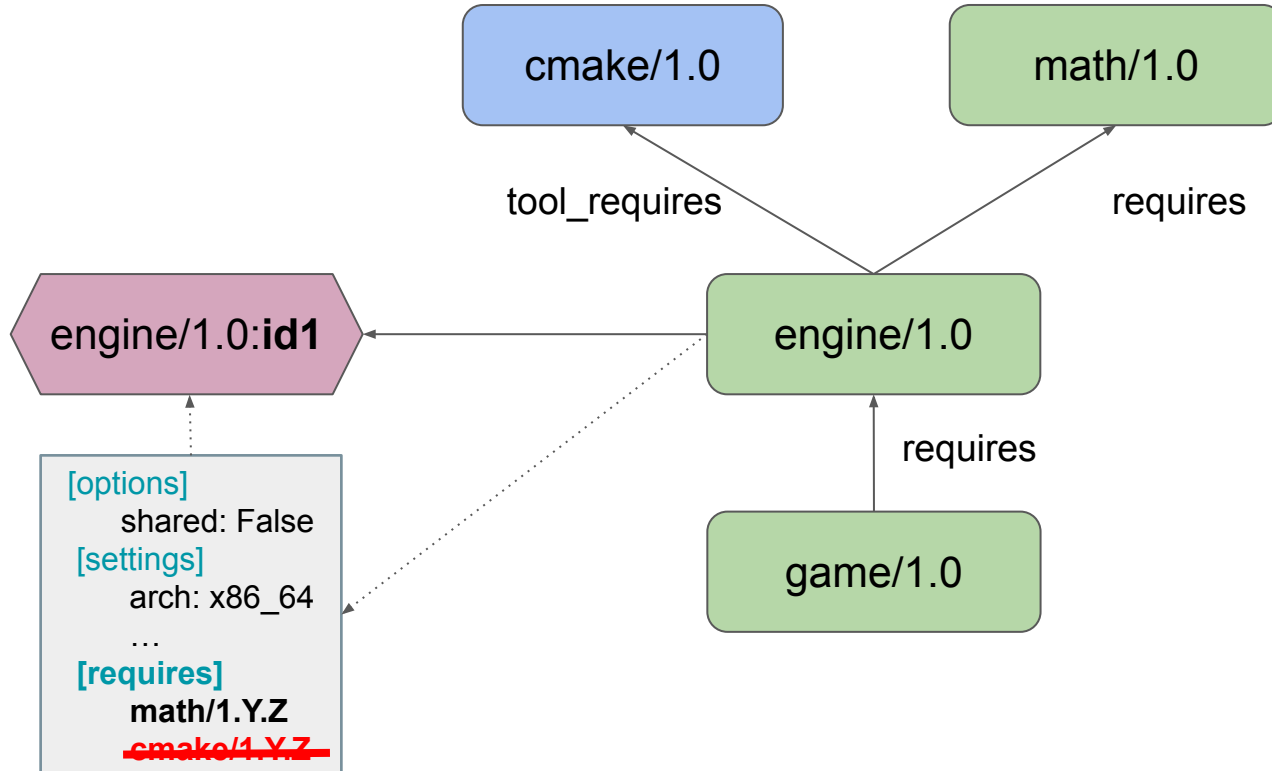


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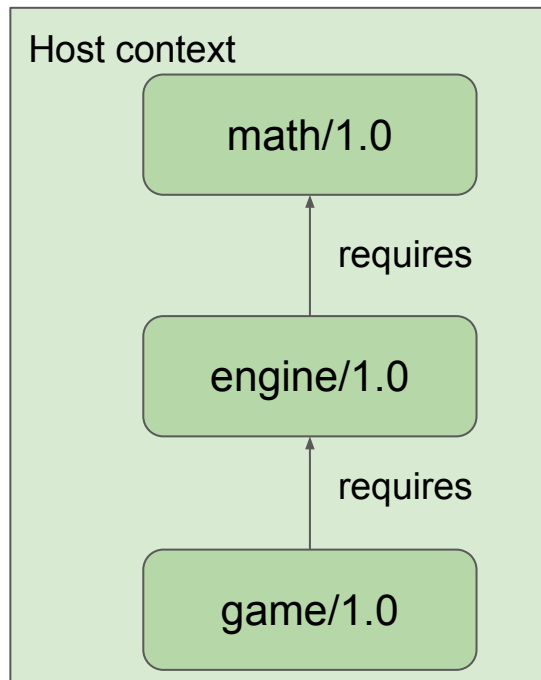
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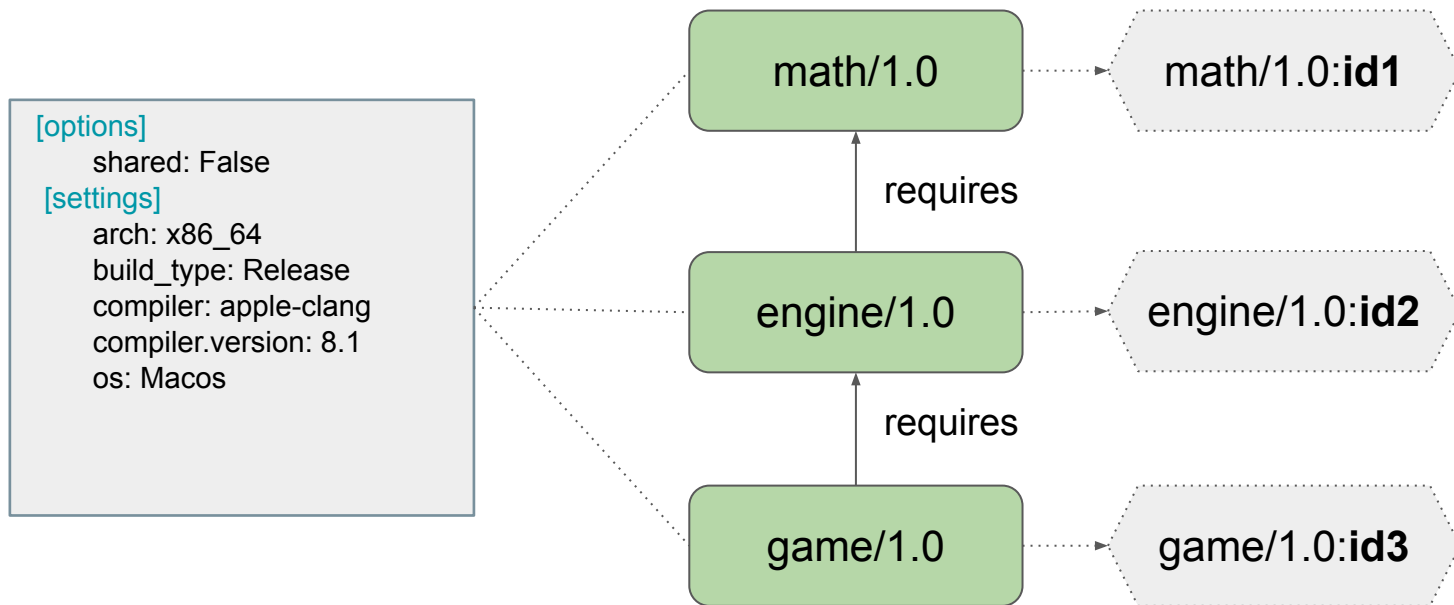
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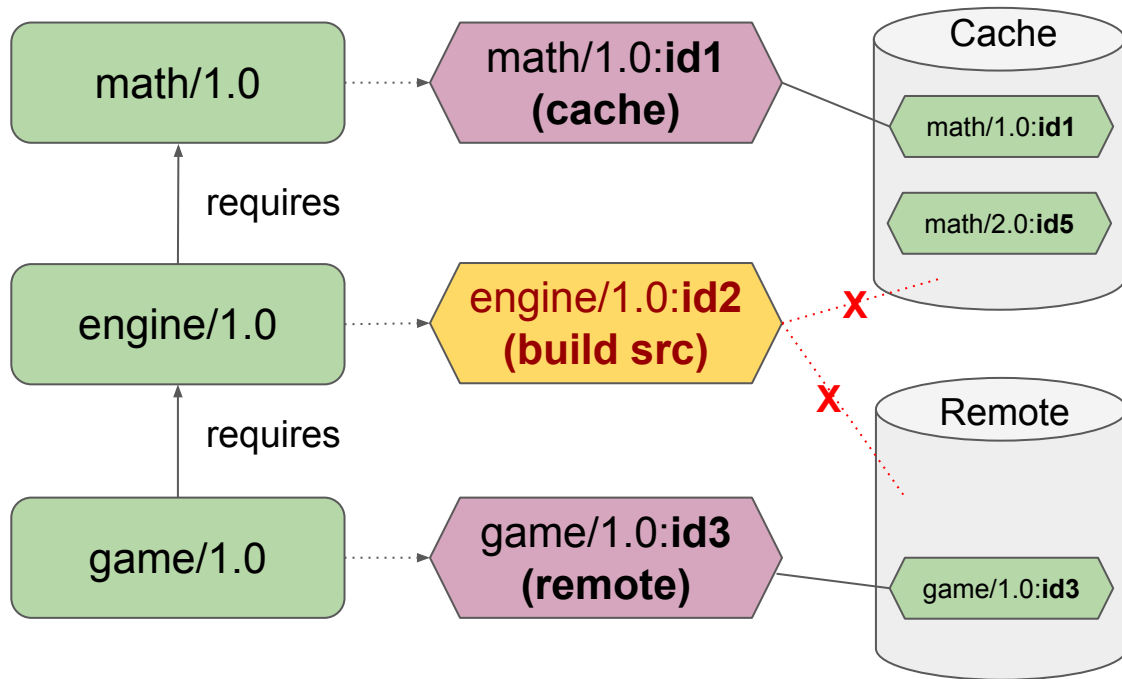
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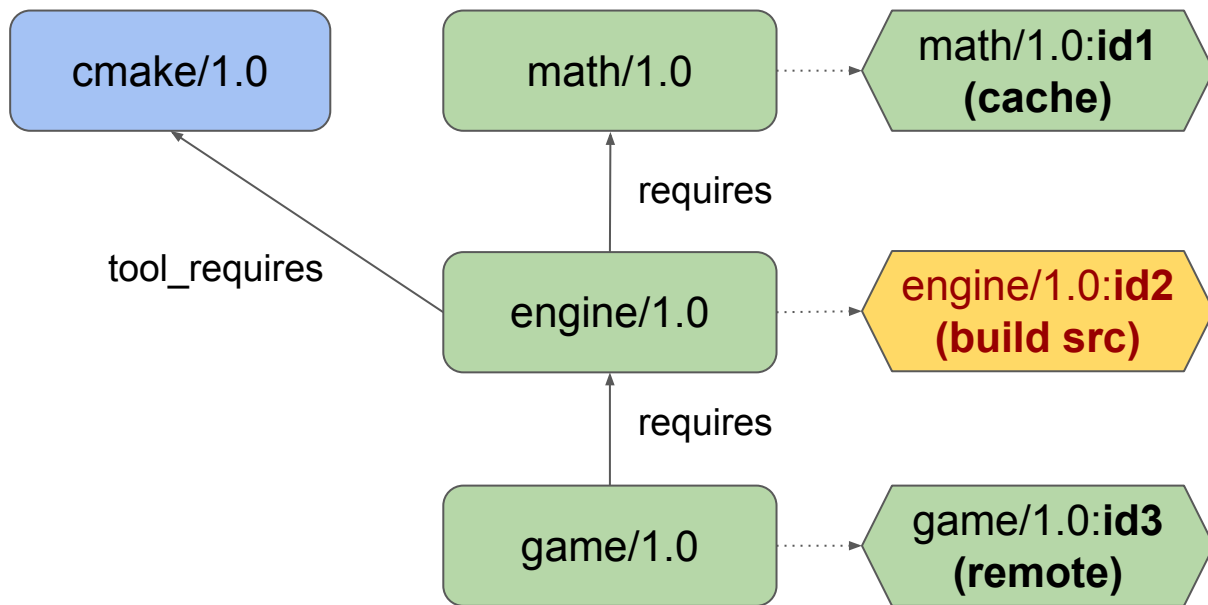
Conan 1.X graph evaluation: Phase II: package-ids



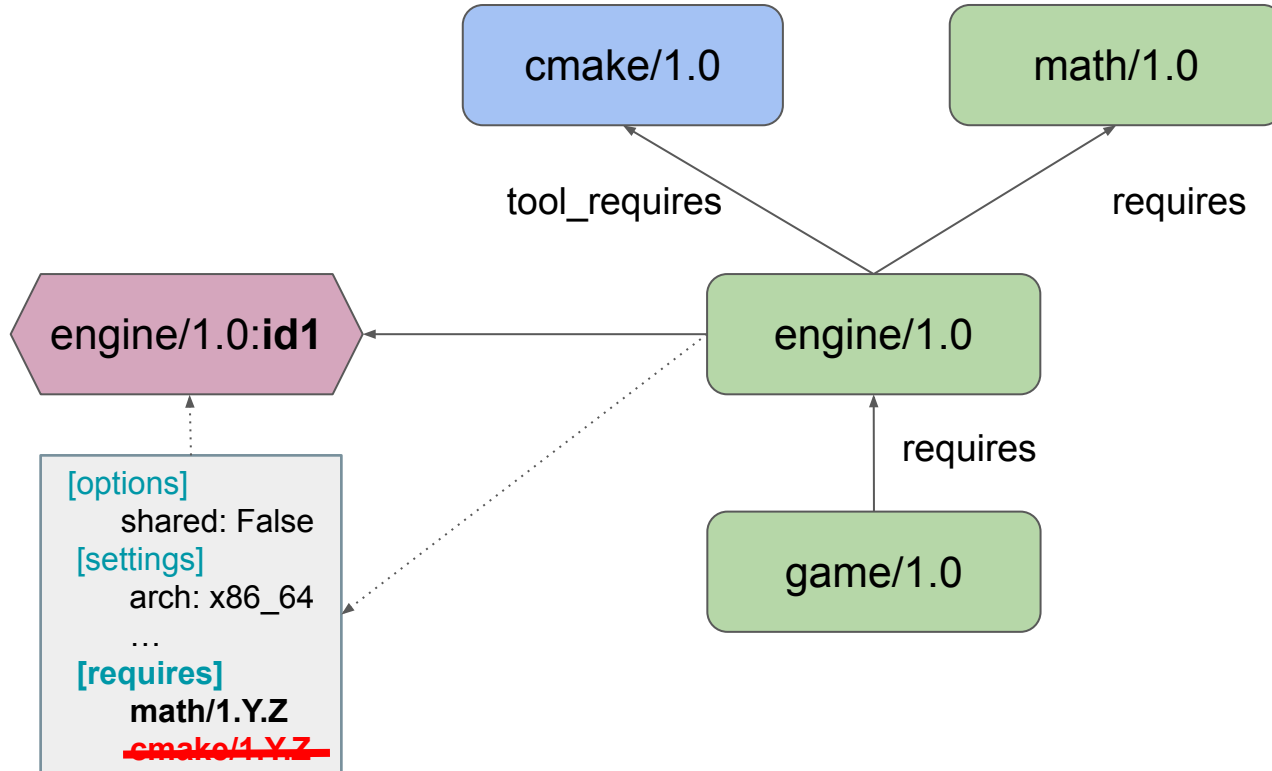
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Conan 1.X graph evaluation: Phase IV: tool_requires



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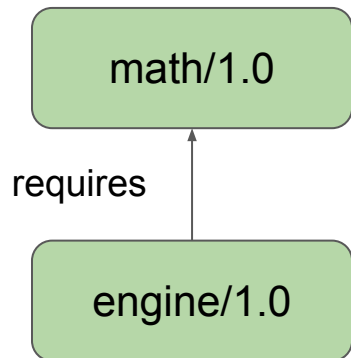
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 - Package types
 - Build, visible traits
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Conan 2.0

- **New dependency graph model**
 - **New package_id**
- New user custom commands system
- New public Python API
- New binary compatibility approach
- New build system integrations
- New environment management
- New configuration system
- New deployment mechanisms
- New lockfiles and Continuous Integration tools
- New multi-revision cache
- New editable packages and layouts
- & many more...

Conan 2.0 proposal



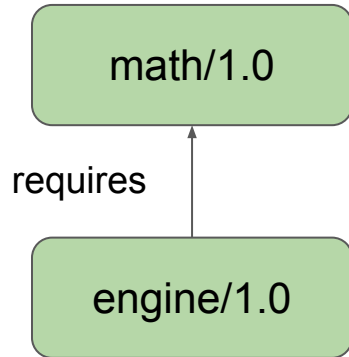
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Conan 2.0 proposal: Requirement traits



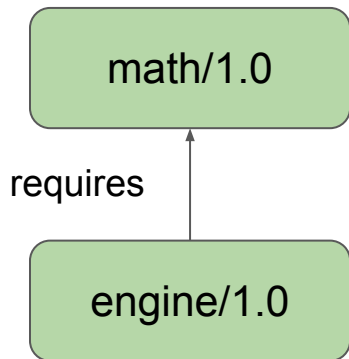
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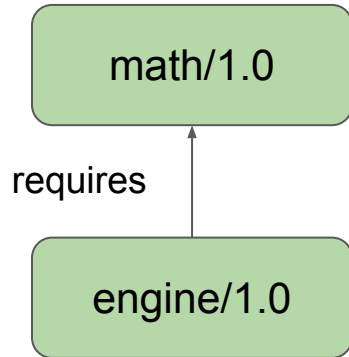
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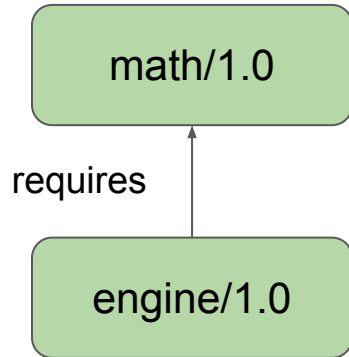
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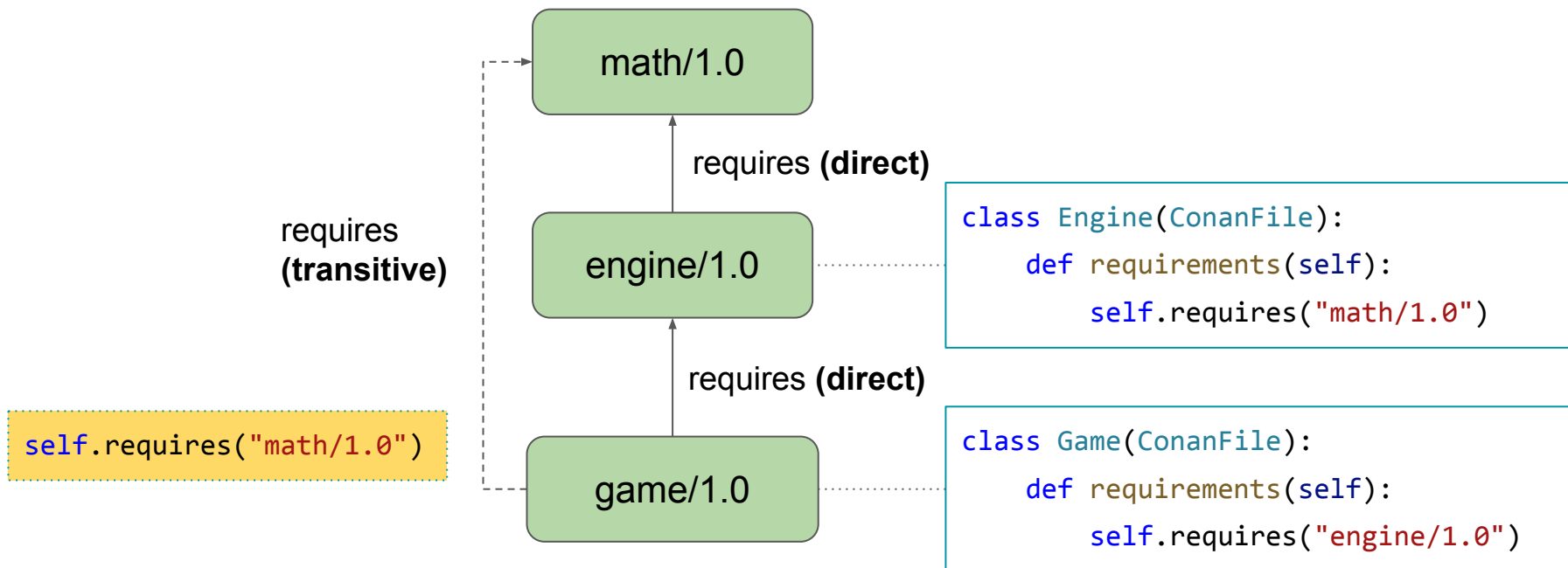
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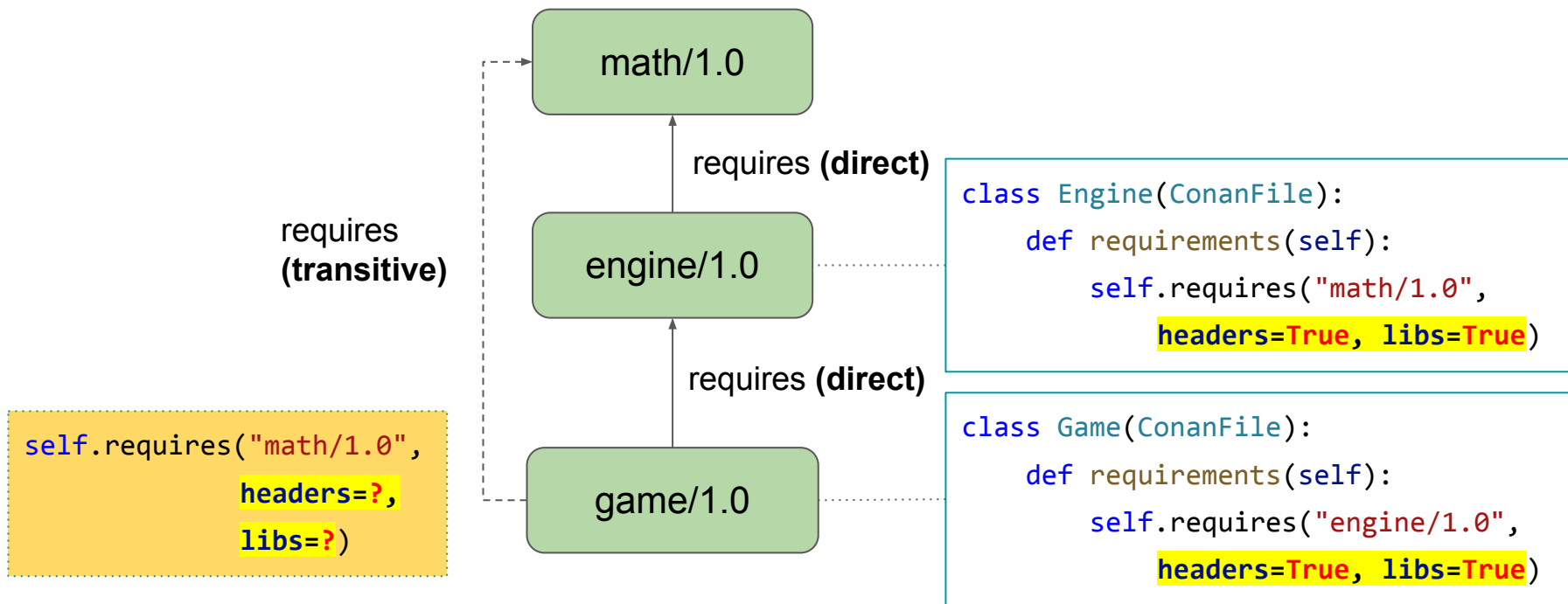


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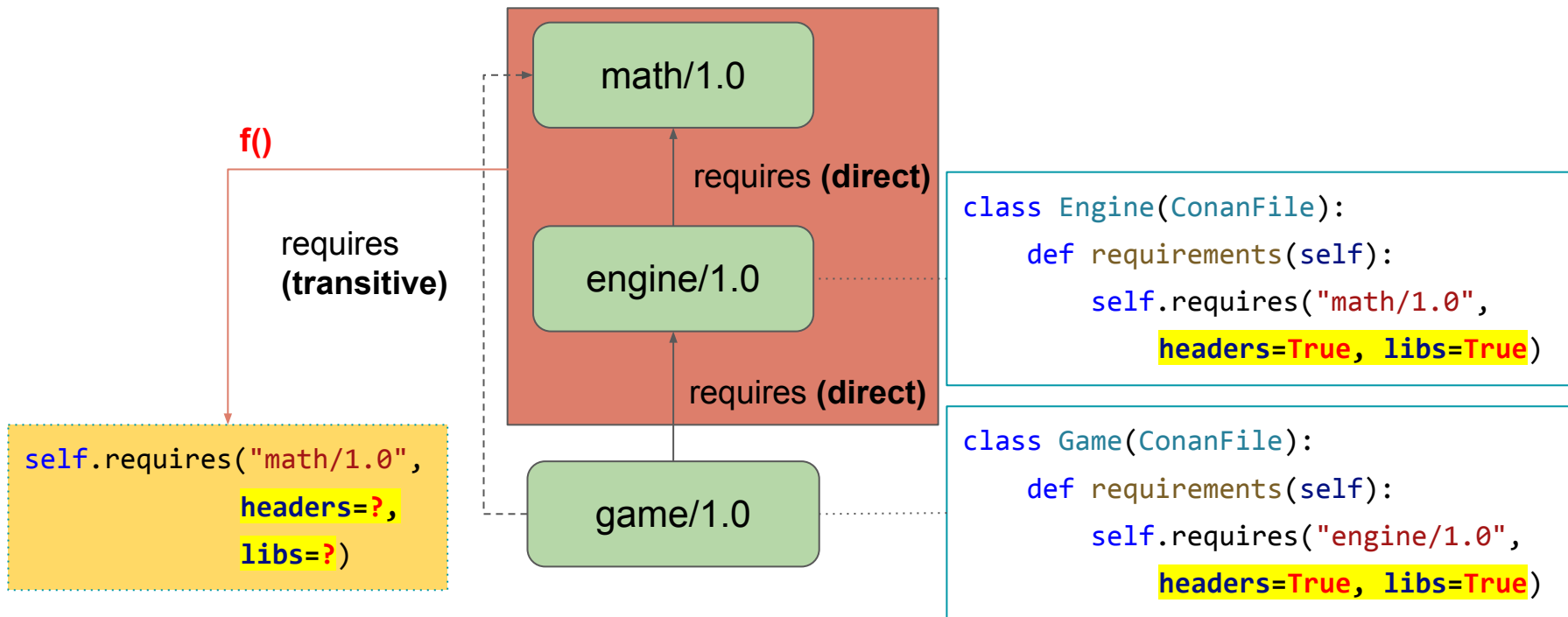
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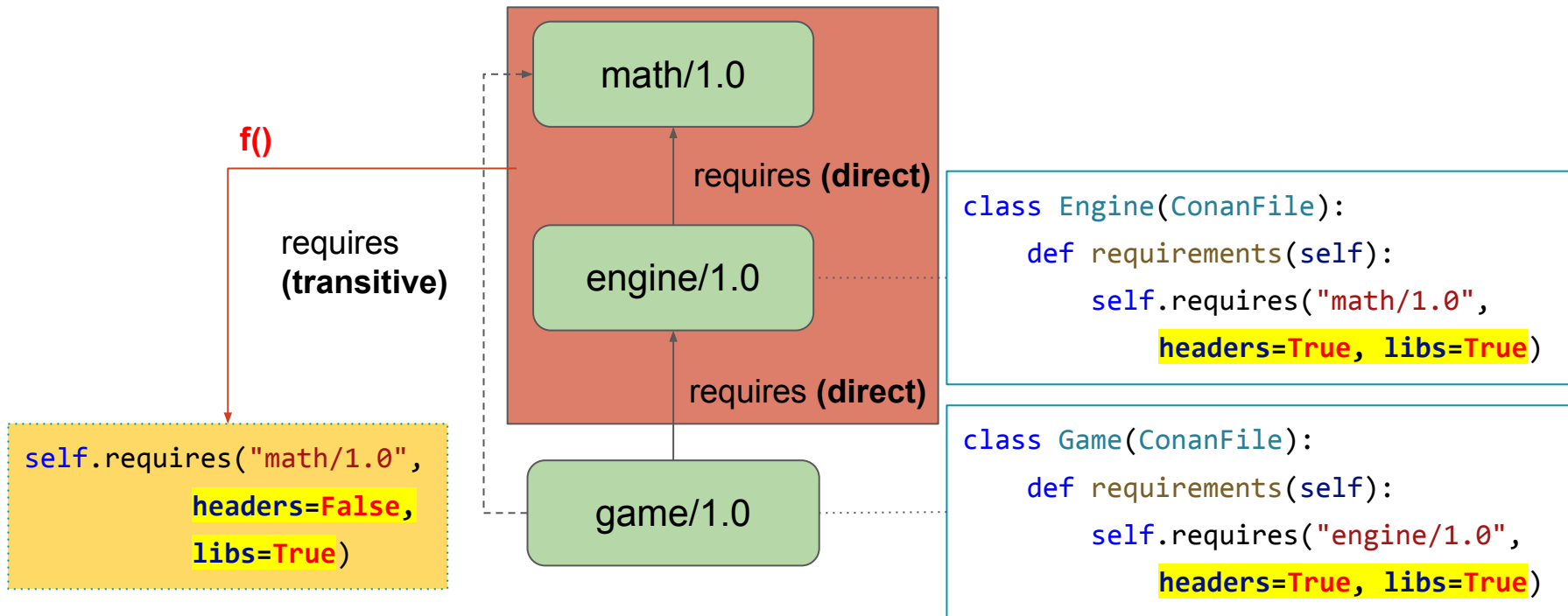
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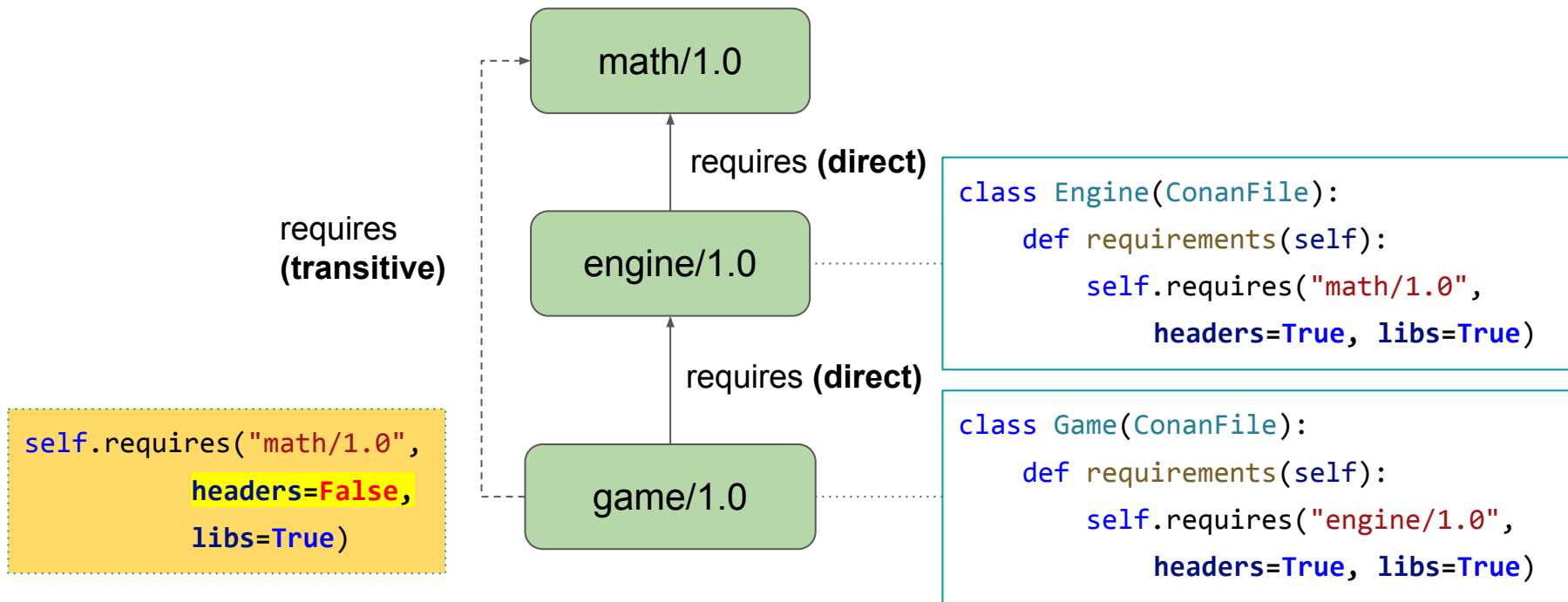


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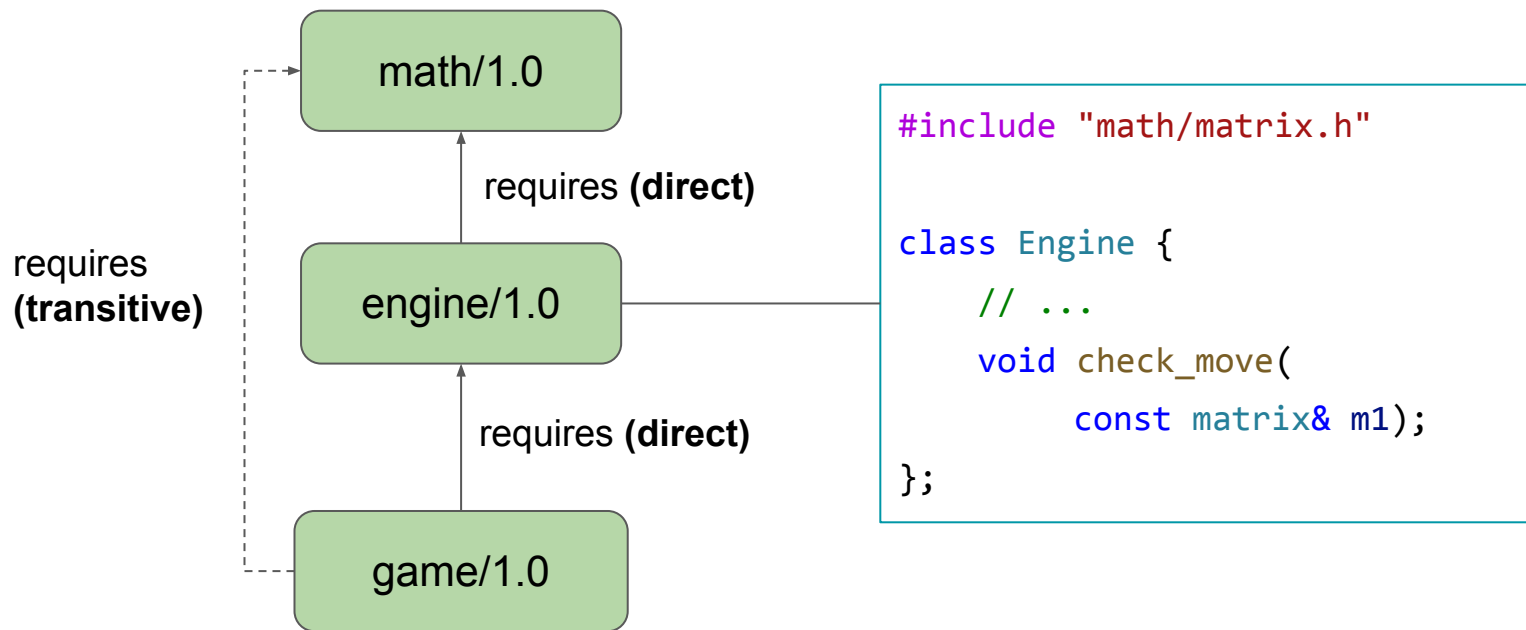
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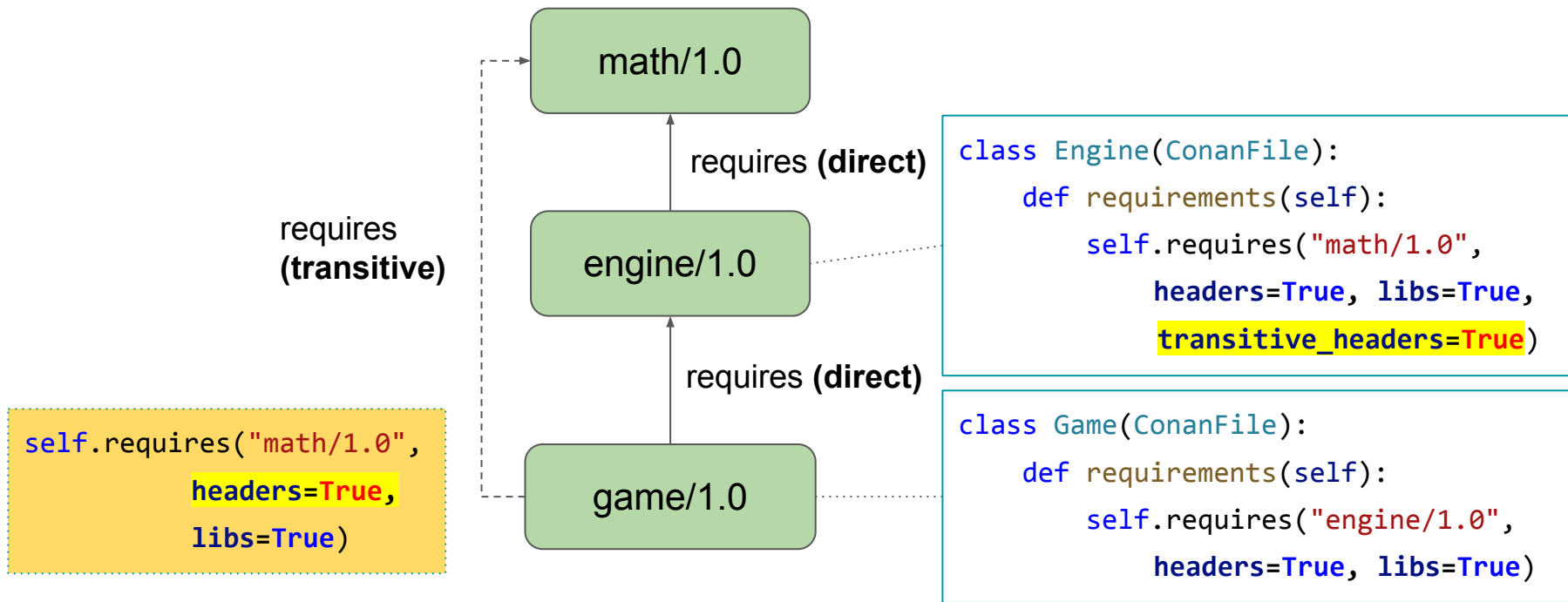
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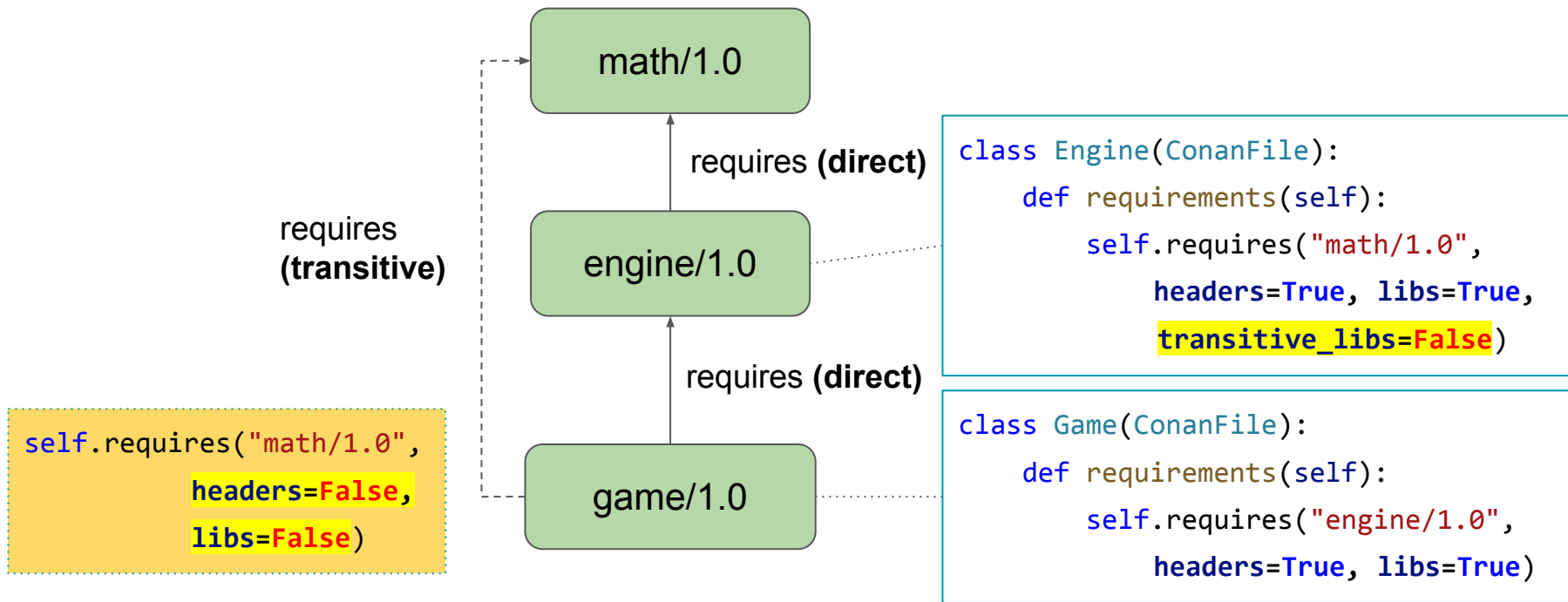
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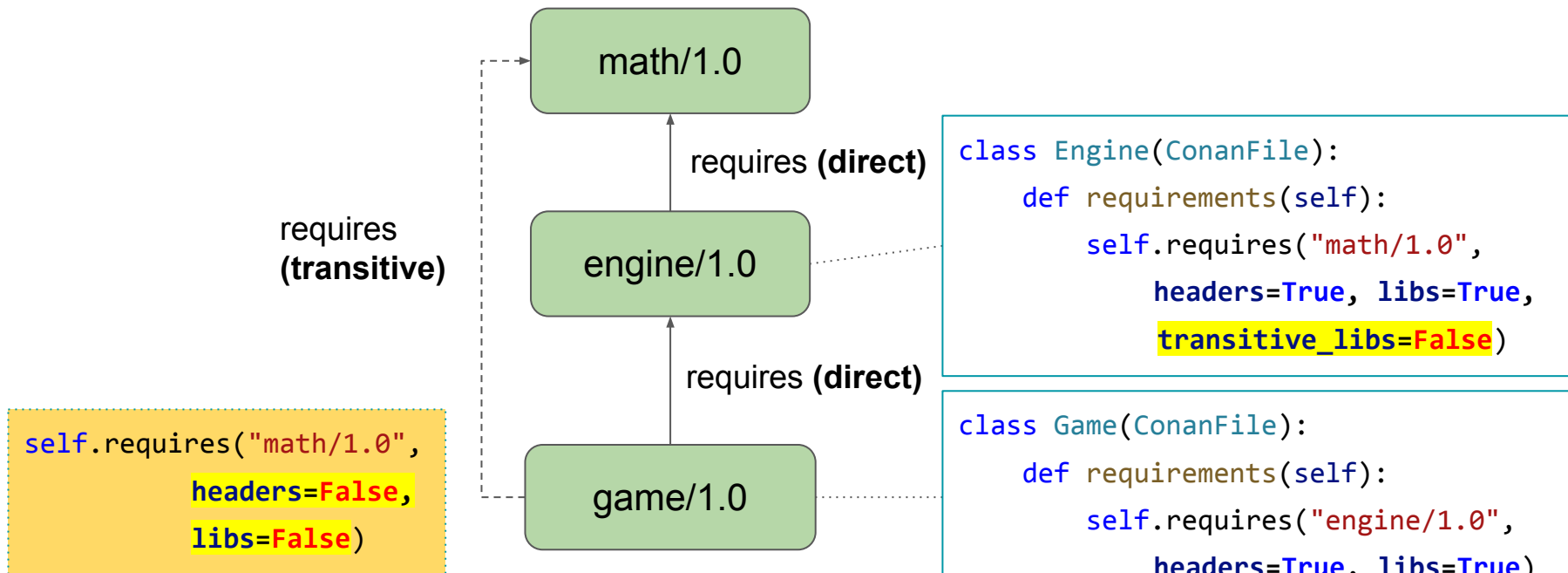
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Libraries hidden (engine shared, math static)



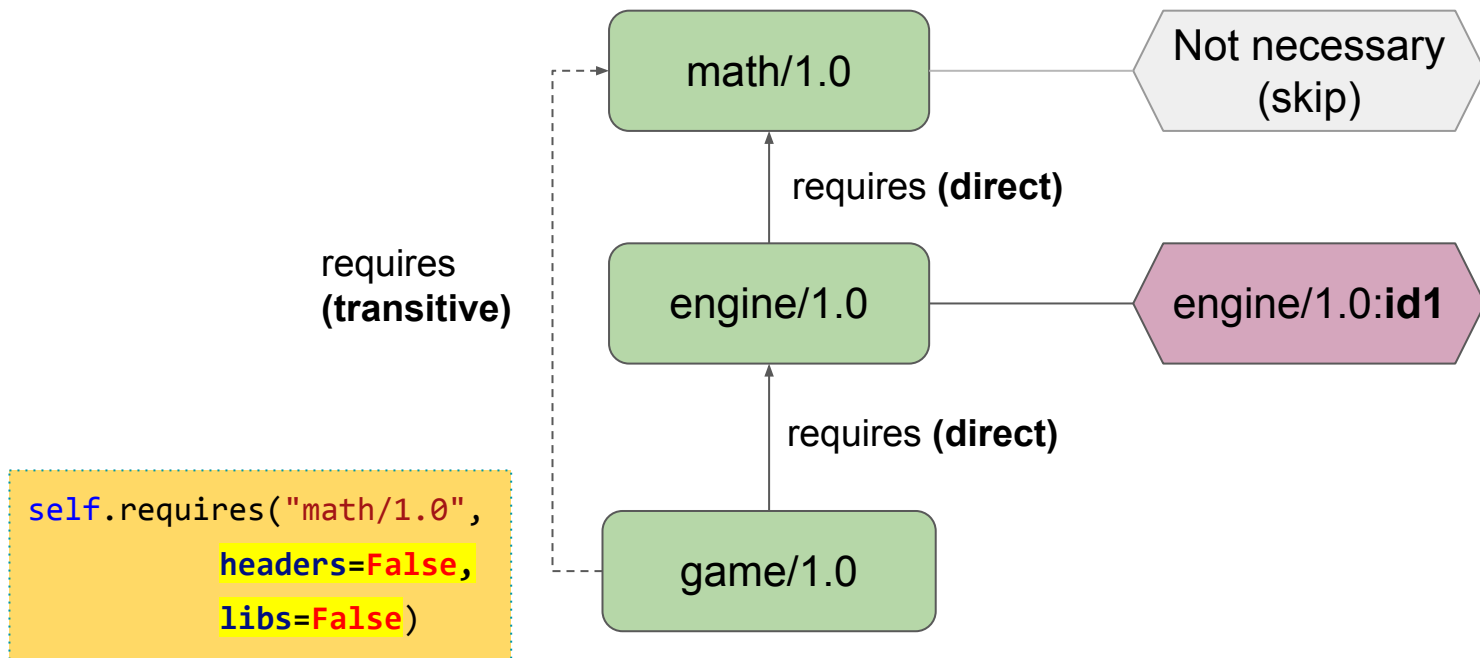
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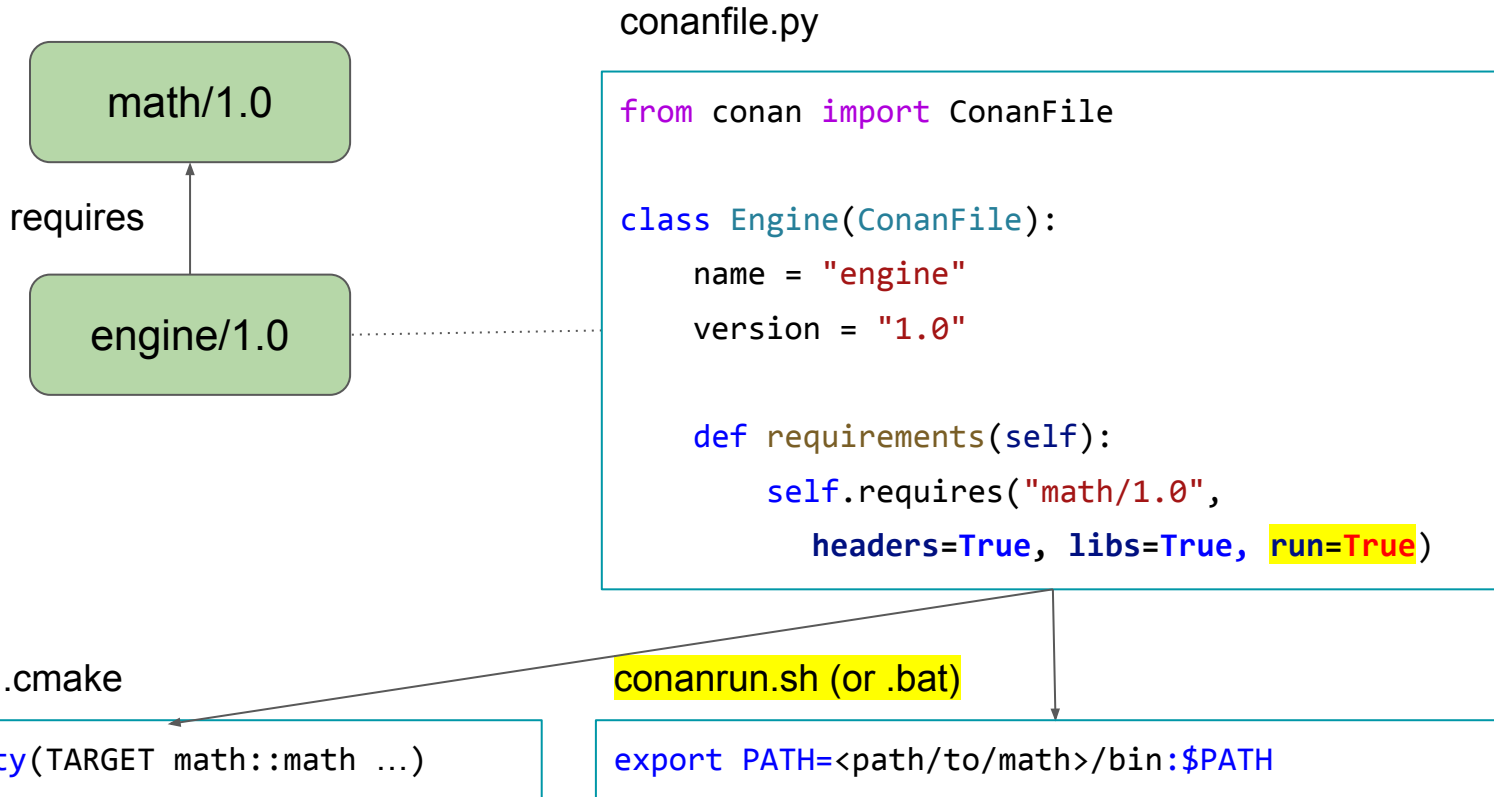
Hiding embedded libraries, + efficient



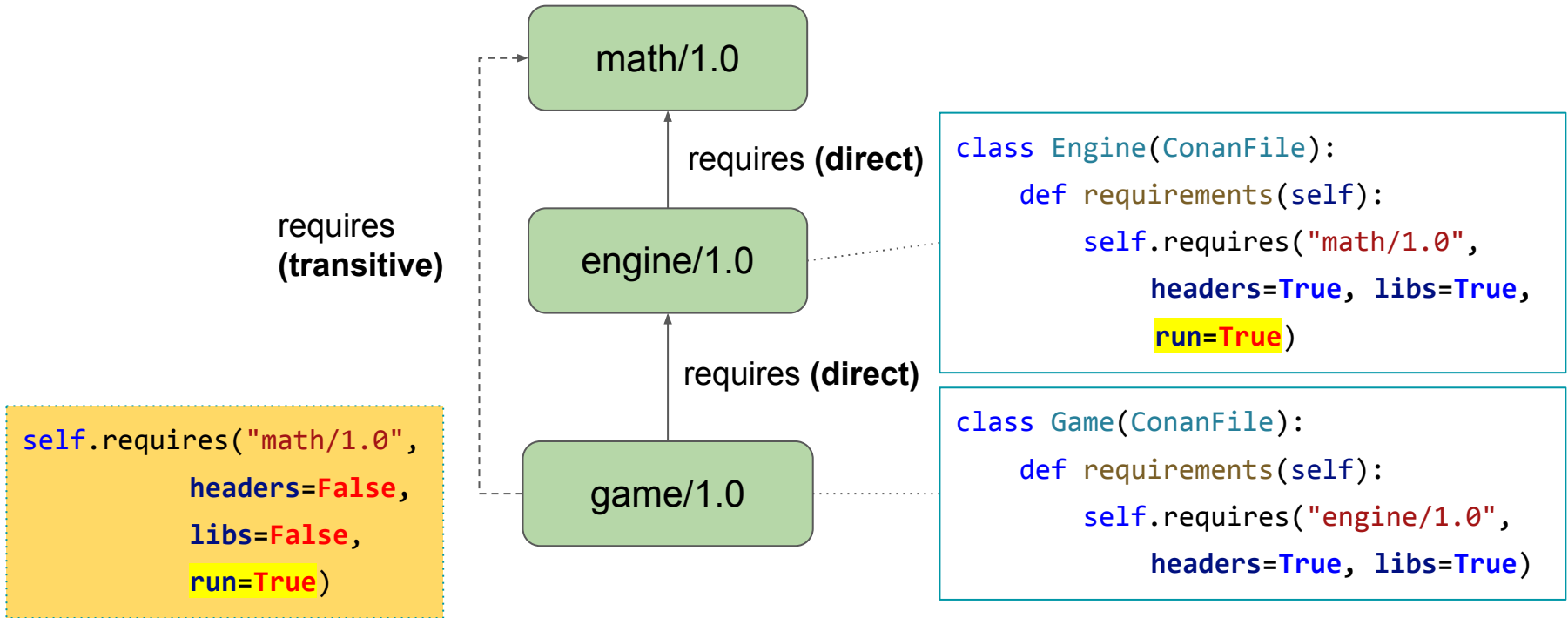
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Runtime trait



Runtime trait

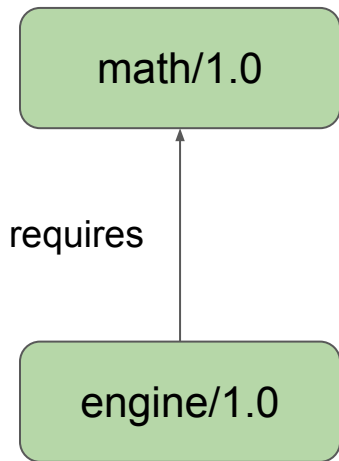


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Recap: traits



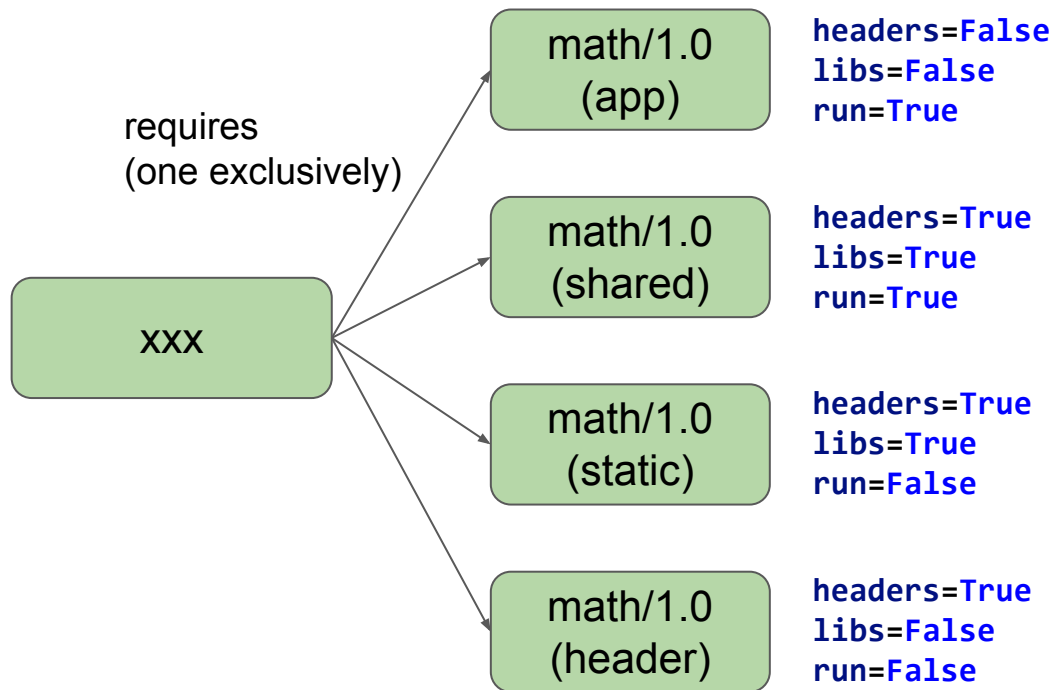
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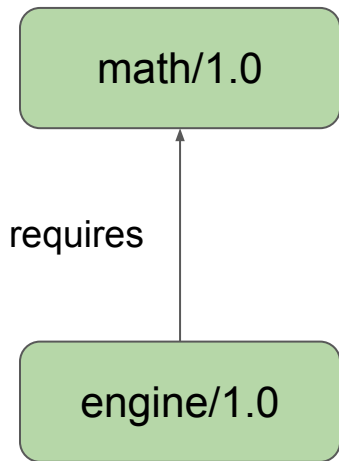
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    def requirements(self):
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```

Recap: traits typical values



Recap: traits



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Welcome “package_type”

math/conanfile.py

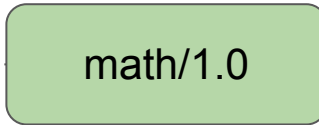
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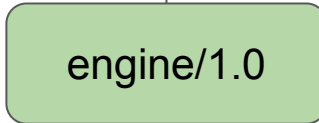
```
    name = "math"
```

```
    version = "1.0"
```

```
    package_type= "static-library"
```



requires



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```

```
class Engine(ConanFile):
```

```
    name = "engine"
```

```
    version = "1.0"
```

```
    requires = "math/1.0"
```

```
    package_type= "static-library"
```

Deducing “package_type”

math/1.0

math/conanfile.py

```
from conan import ConanFile

class Math(ConanFile):
    name = "math"
    version = "1.0"
    options = {"shared": [True, False],
              "header_only": [True, False]}
```

shared=True ⇒ package_type = “shared-library”

shared=False ⇒ package_type = “static-library”

header_only=True ⇒ package_type =
“header-library”

Known “package_type”s

math/conanfile.py

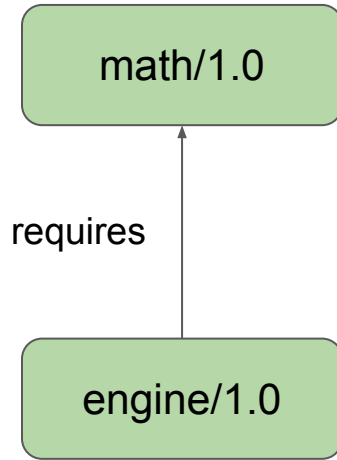
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from conan import ConanFile

class Math(ConanFile):
    name = "math"
    version = "1.0"
    package_type= "?"
```

math/1.0

- application
- shared-library
- static-library
- header-library
- library
- build-scripts
- python-require
- unknown

Traits defaults



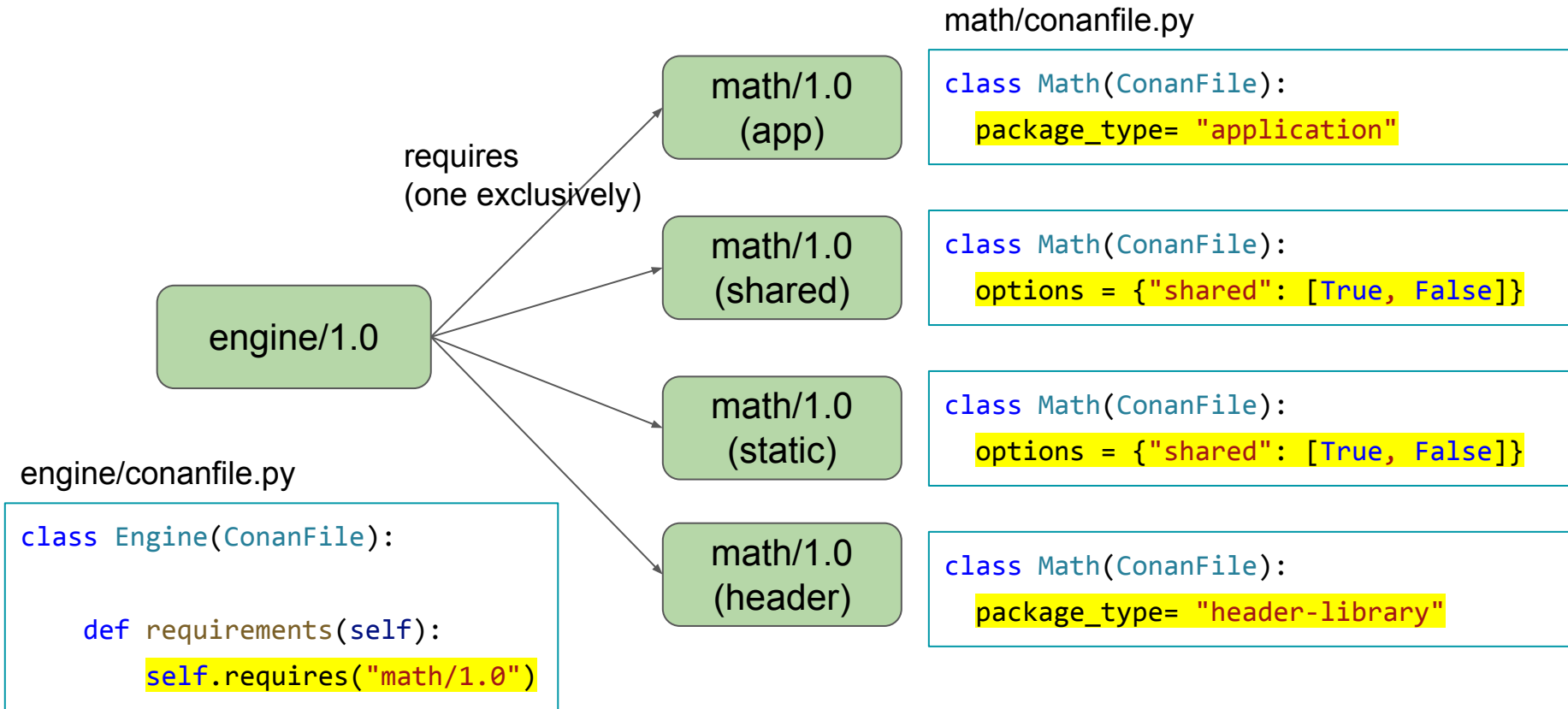
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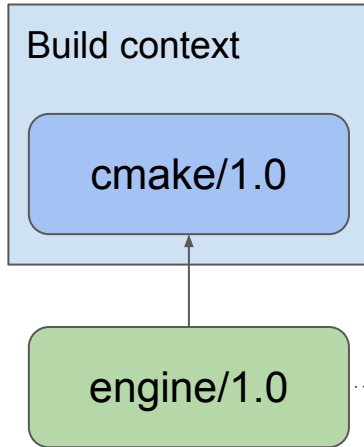


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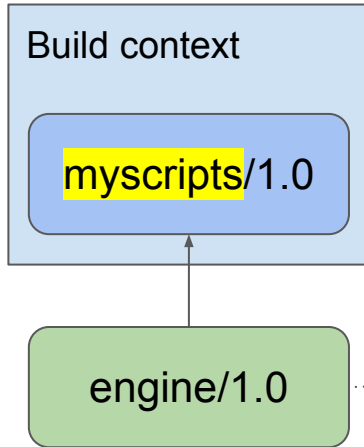
class Engine(ConanFile):
    name = "engine"
    version = "1.0"

    def requirements(self):
        self.requires("cmake/1.0",
                     headers=False, libs=False,
                     run=True, build=True)
```

conanbuild.sh (or .bat)

```
export PATH=<path/to/cmake>/bin:$PATH
```

Build trait



engine/conanfile.py

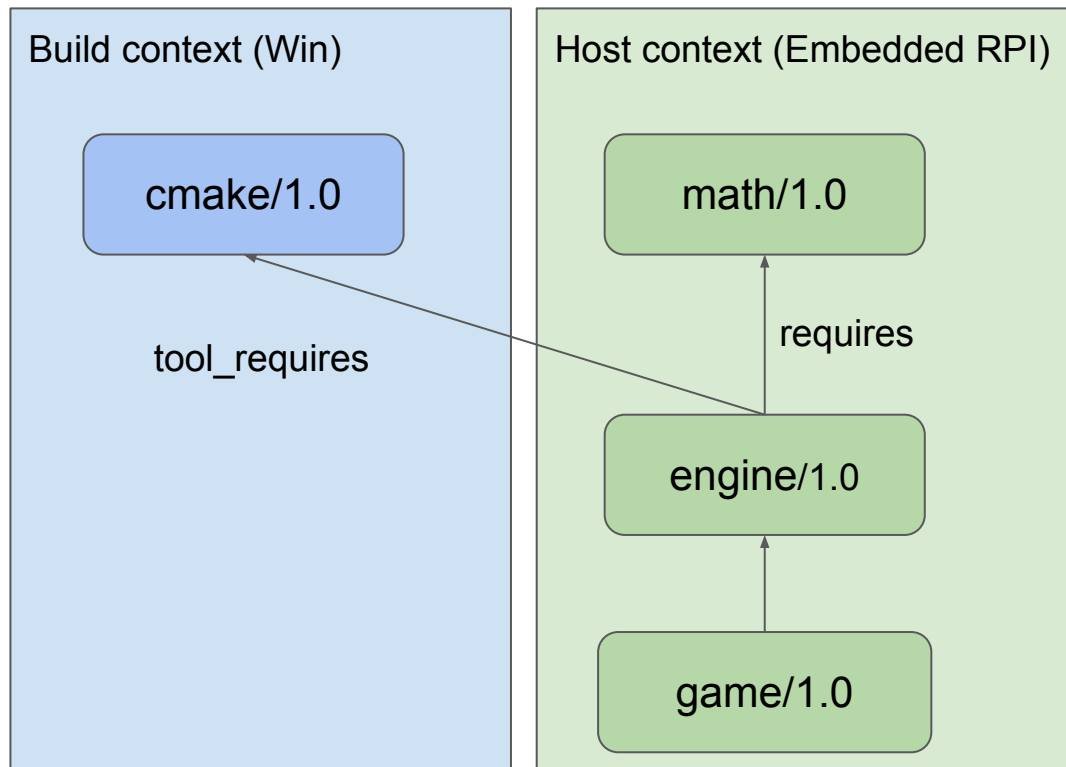
```
from conan import ConanFile

class Engine(ConanFile):
    name = "engine"
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    def requirements(self):
        self.requires("myscripts/1.0",
                     headers=False, libs=False,
                     run=False, build=True)
```

No file generated. Used via
`self.dependencies["myscripts"].package_folder`

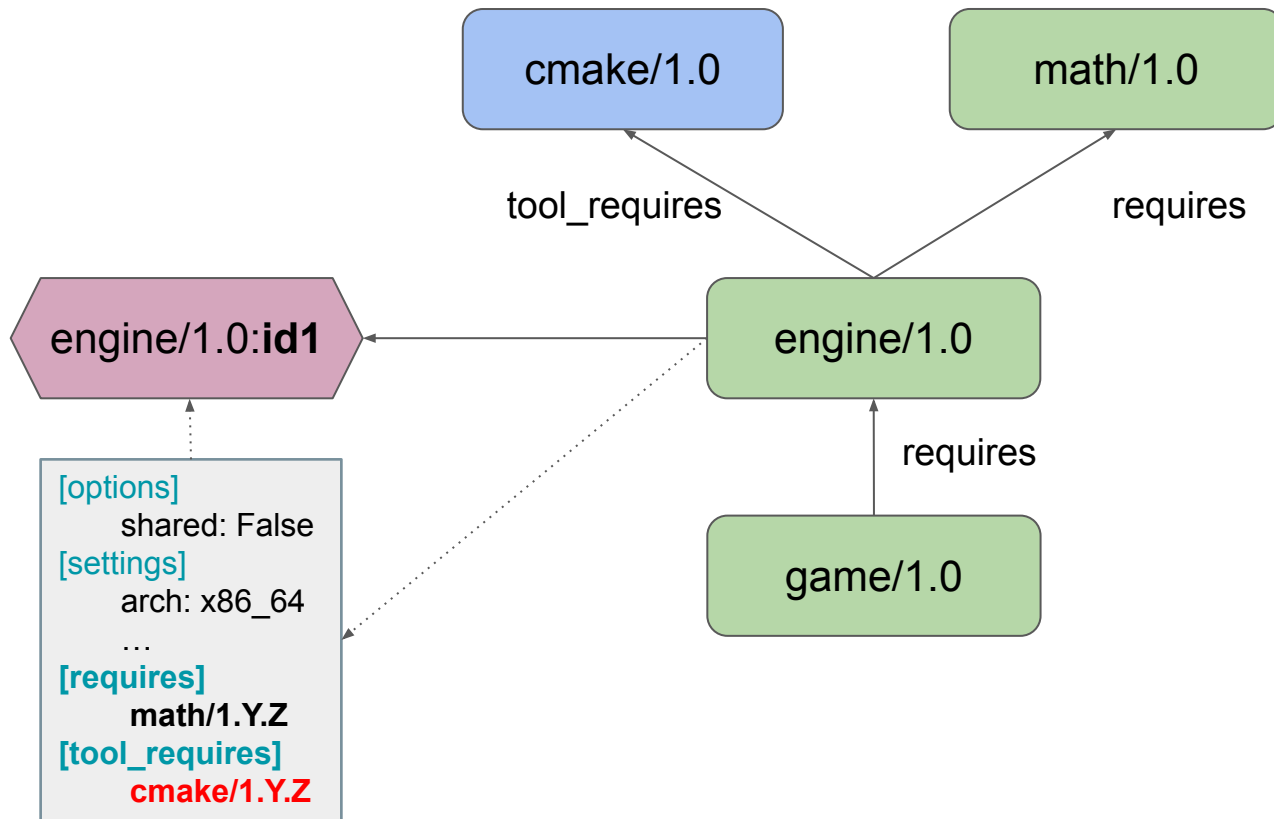
Conan 2.X graph evaluation: Phase I: graph



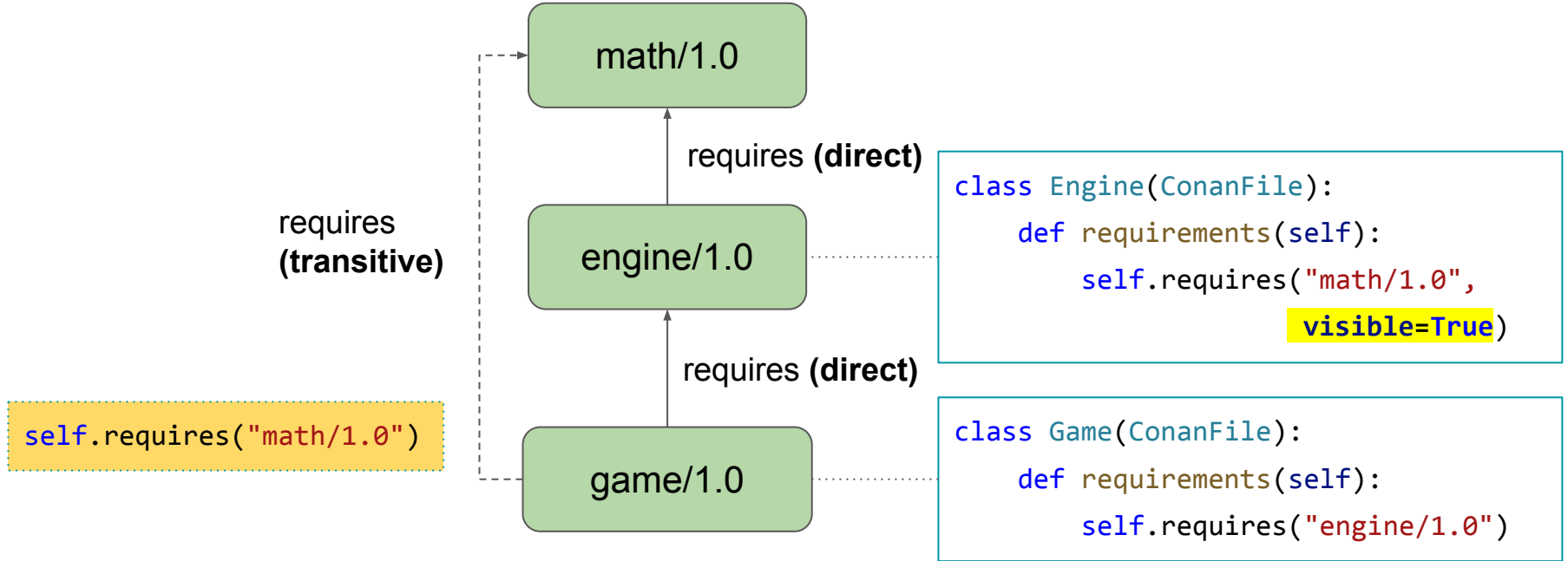
tool_requires = requires

```
def requirements(self):
    self.tool_requires("cmake/1.0")
    # identical to
    self.requires("cmake/1.0",
                  headers=False, libs=False,
                  run=True, build=True,
                  test=False, visible=False,
                  direct=True, package_id_mode=None,
                  ...
    )
```

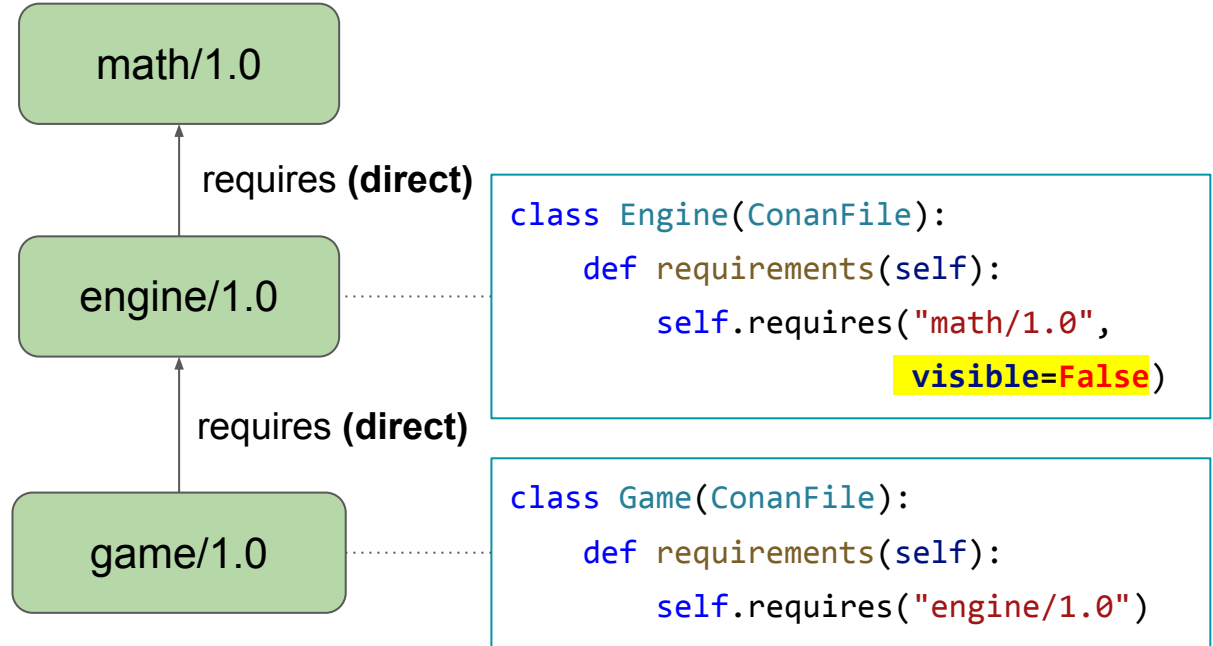
Tool-requires can affect package-id



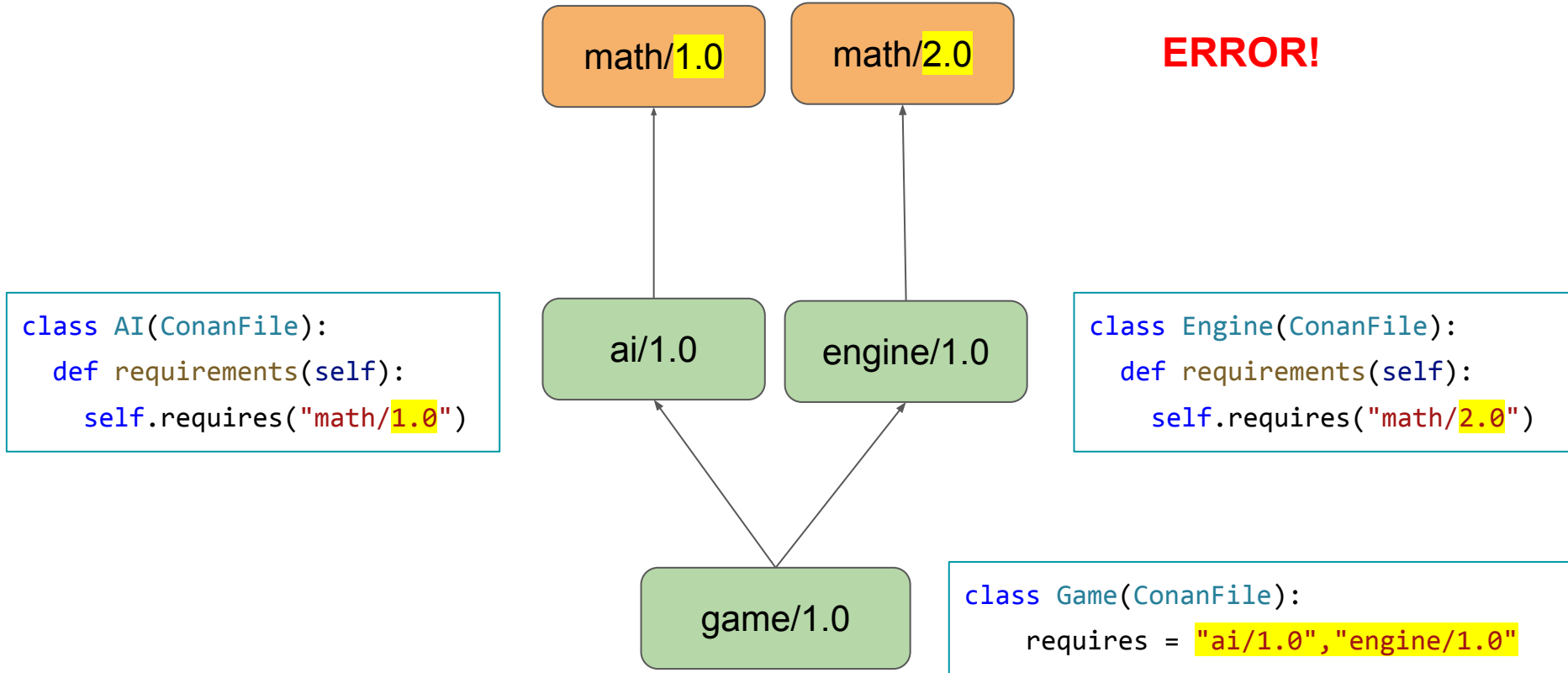
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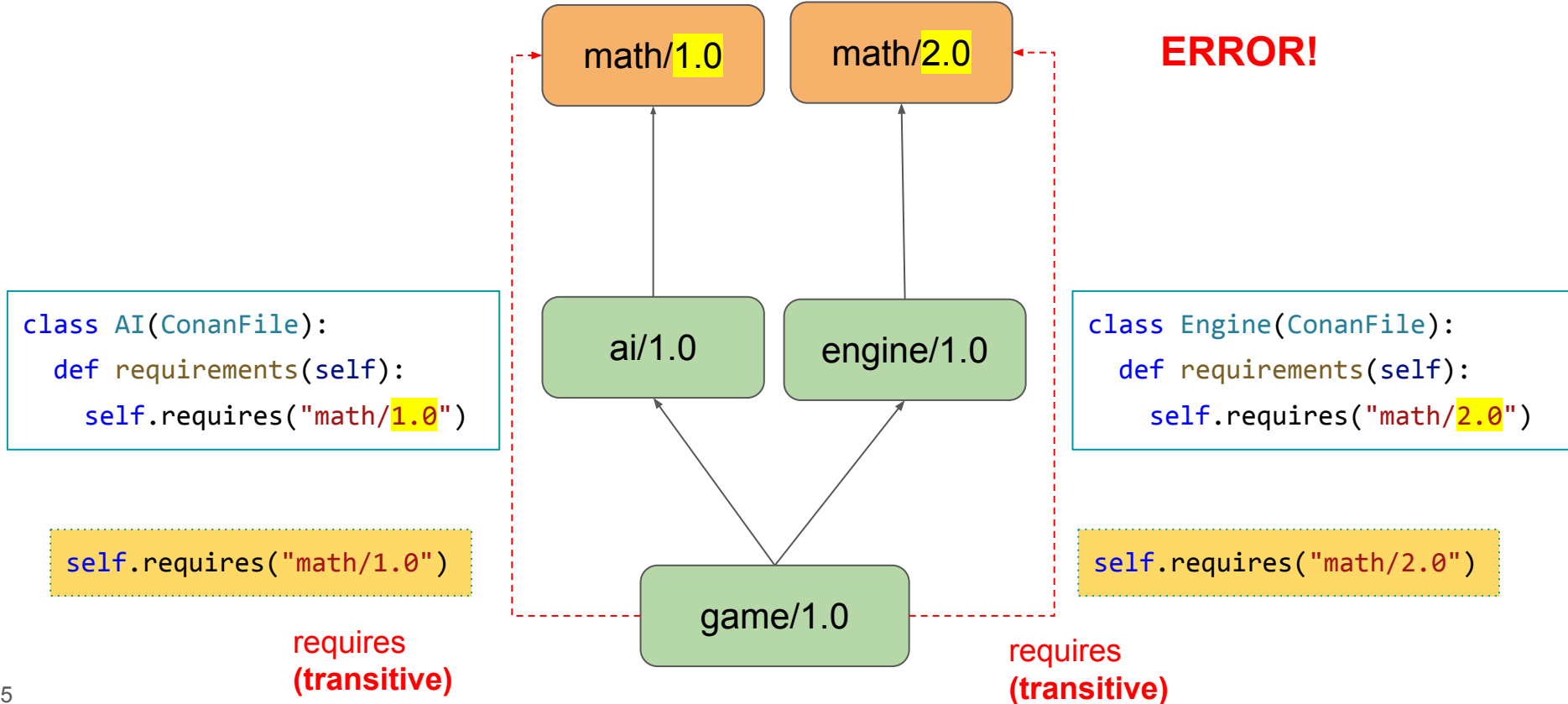
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Version conflict

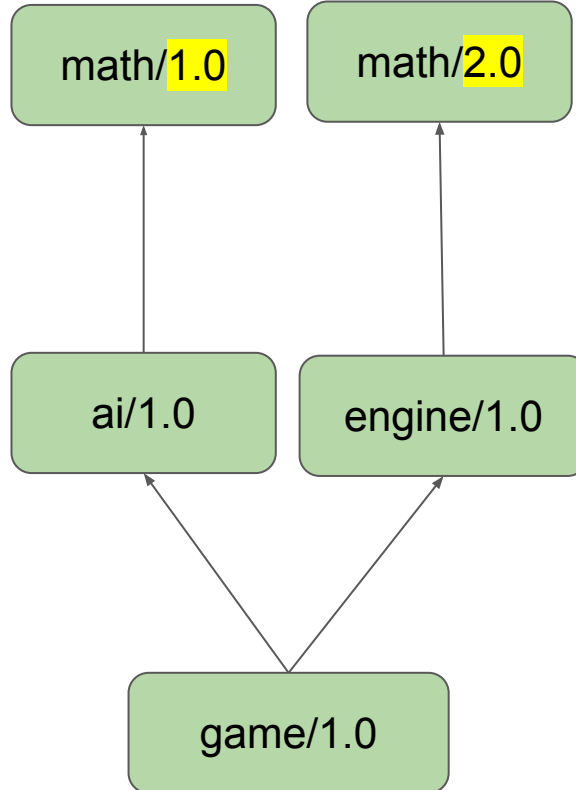


Version conflict



Private dependencies: visible trait

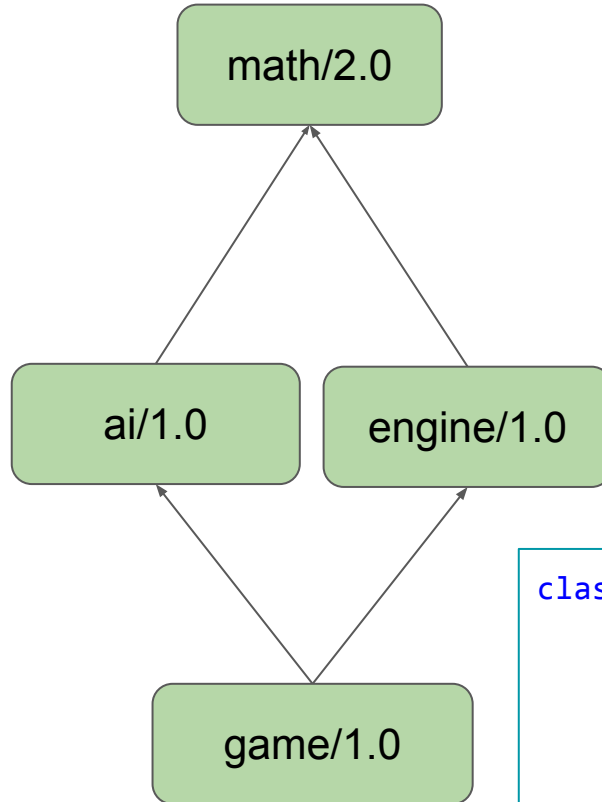
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class AI(ConanFile):  
    def requirements(self):  
        self.requires("math/1.0",  
                      visible=False)
```



OK!

```
class Engine(ConanFile):  
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        self.requires("math/2.0",  
                      visible=False)
```


Version conflict resolution (override)



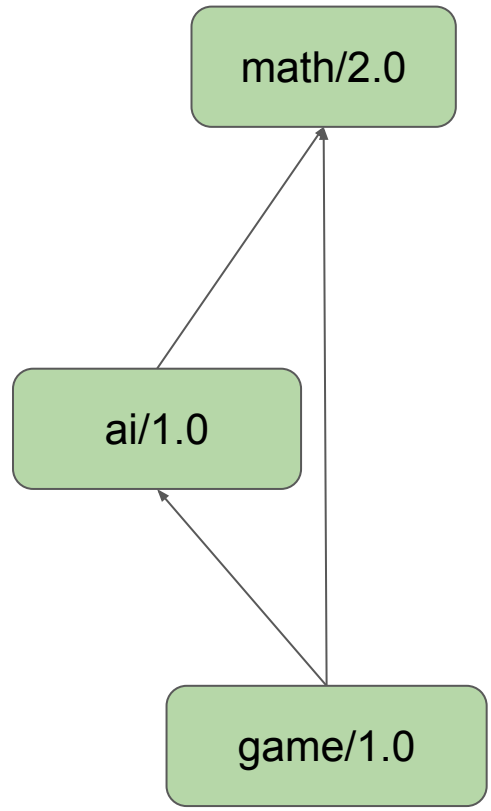
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```
class Engine(ConanFile):  
    requires = "math/2.0"
```

```
class Game(ConanFile):  
    requires = "ai/1.0", "engine/1.0"  
    def requirements(self):  
        self.requires("math/2.0",  
                      override=True)
```

Version conflict resolution (force)

```
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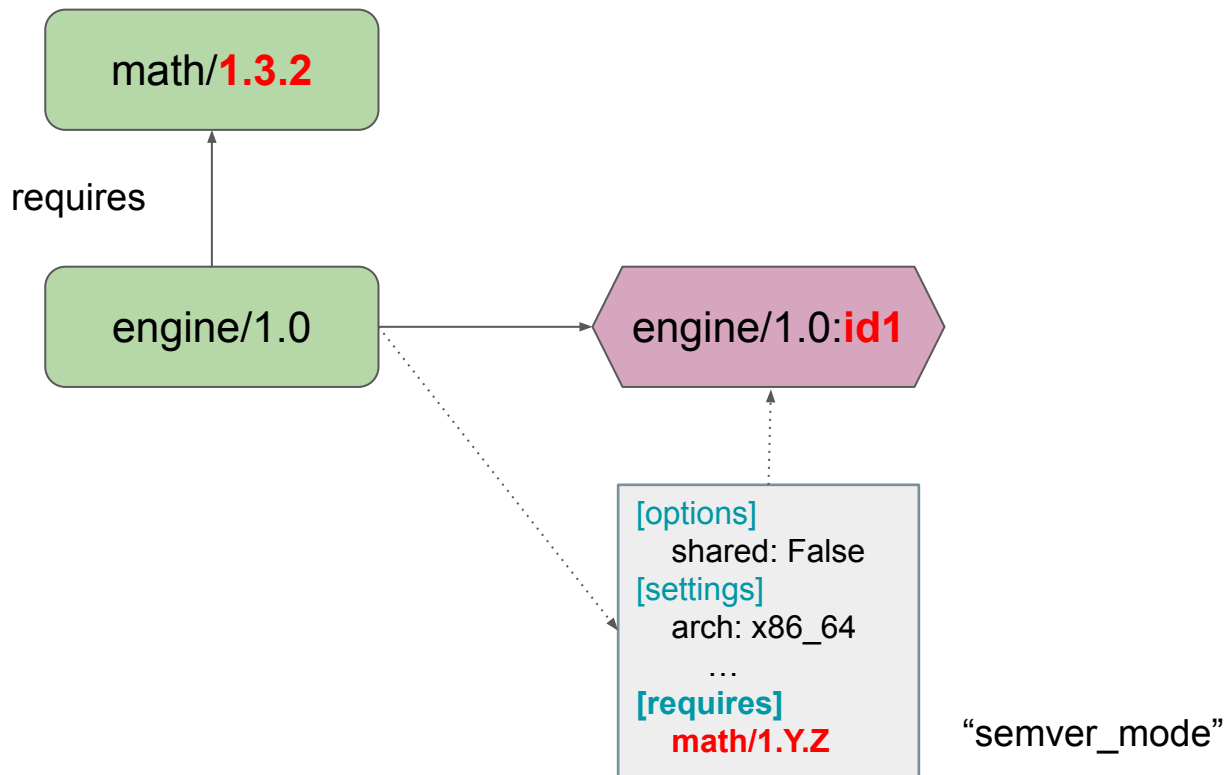
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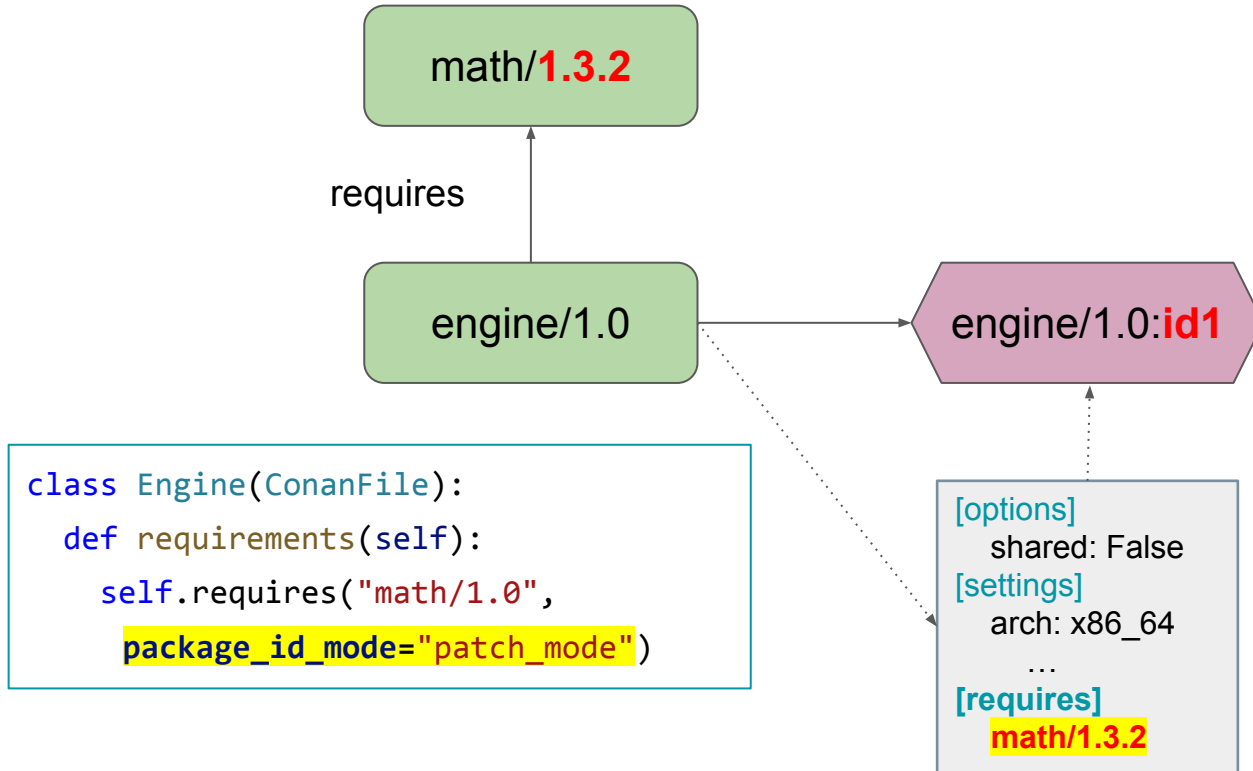
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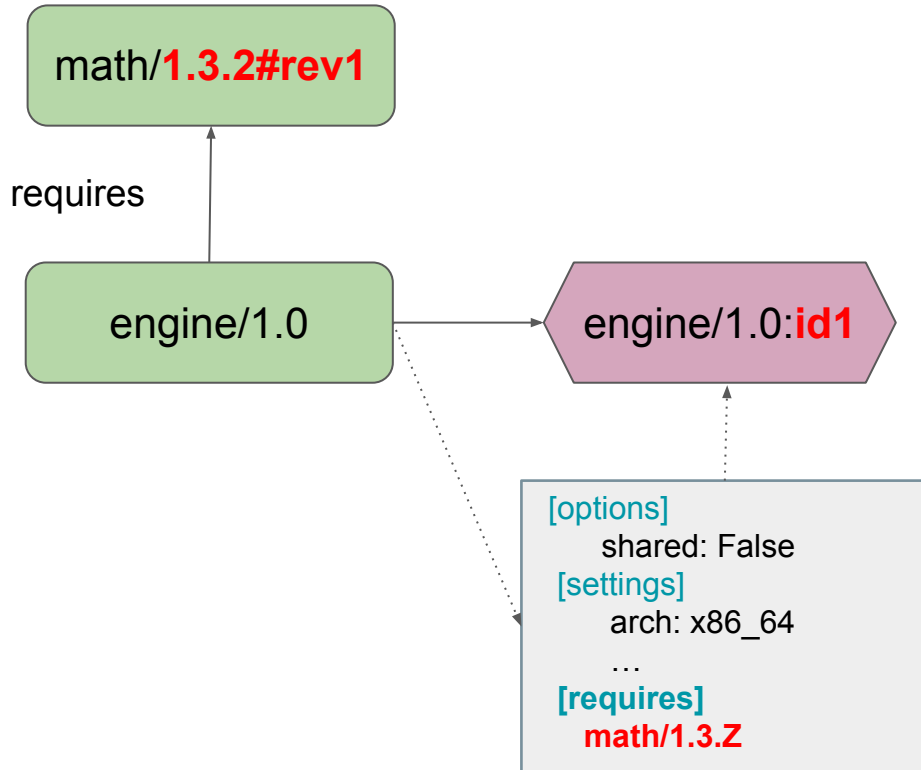
Conan 1.X package_id_mode



Trait package_id_mode



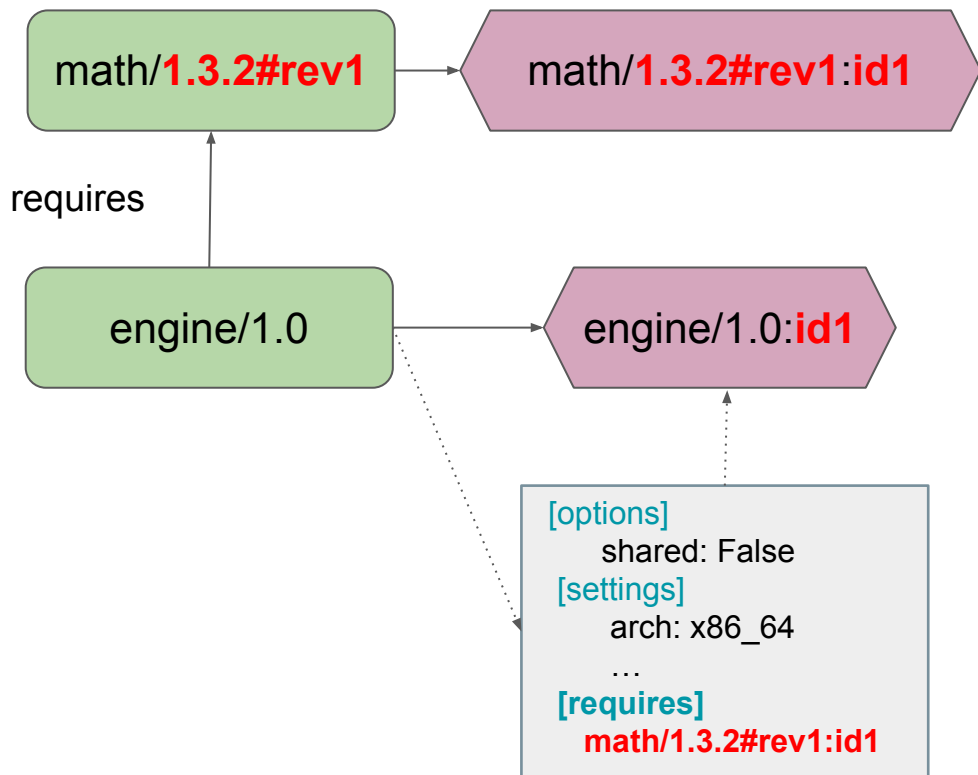
Conan 2.X default package_id modes



non_embed_mode (=minor)

- app → shared
- shared → shared
- static → static

Conan 2.X default package_id modes



embed_mode (=full)

- app → static
- app → header
- shared → static
- shared → header
- static → header

Configuring package_id

global.conf

```
core.package_id:default_unknown_mode = semver_mode
core.package_id:default_non_embed_mode = minor_mode
core.package_id:default_embed_mode = full_mode
core.package_id:default_python_mode = minor_mode
core.package_id:default_build_mode = None
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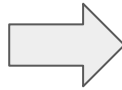


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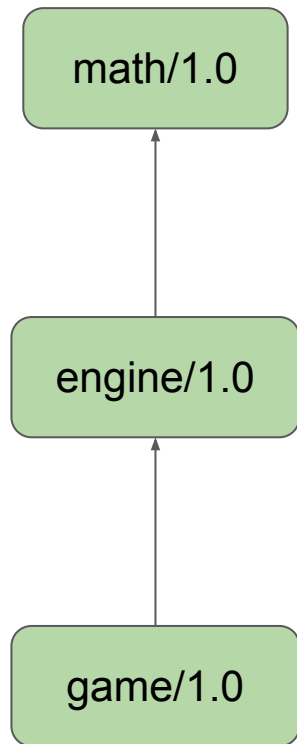
Conclusion

- Require traits:
 - Headers, libs, transitive_headers, transitive_libs, run, build, visible, package_id_mode, options, test
- Package types:
 - static-library, shared-library, header, application, build-script
 - Deducible from “options”
- Requires propagation



- Headers visibility
- Linkage requirements
- “Private” non conflicting dependencies
- Bootstrap cycles
- Much better package_id, knowing when to re-build
- Tool-requires and executables
- Better conflict control and resolution
- Efficient smart skipping unnecessary dependencies

Conclusion



math/conanfile.py

```
class Math(ConanFile):  
    name = "math"  
    version = "1.0"  
    options = {"shared": [True, False]}
```

engine/conanfile.py

```
class Engine(ConanFile):  
    options = {"shared": [True, False]}  
    def requirements(self):  
        self.requires("math/1.0")
```

game/conanfile.py

```
class Game(ConanFile):  
    package_type = "application"  
    def requirements(self):  
        self.requires("engine/1.0")
```

Thank you!



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