

# Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 16

Feb 20, 2013

“Objects” and GUI Design

# Announcements

- HW05 is due *tomorrow*, Feb 21 at 11:59:59pm
- Please review course collaboration policy on the syllabus, violations of this policy will have consequences
- Midterm 1 has been graded (scores available online)
  - Solutions posted on the course website
  - View your exams with Ms. Laura Fox, Levine 308
  - Regrade requests submitted in writing
- Midterm Course Feedback: Survey in Labs this week
  - please give us your opinions about the class!

# Midterm 1 results

- Stats:
  - median: 90.0
  - mean: 87.27
  - var: 110.68
  - stddev: 10.52
  - max: 100.0 (12)
- Grade ranges (estimate):
  - A 90 – 100
  - B 80 – 90
  - C 70 – 80
  - D 60 – 70

Great Job!

Warning:  
Midterm 2 is a killer!

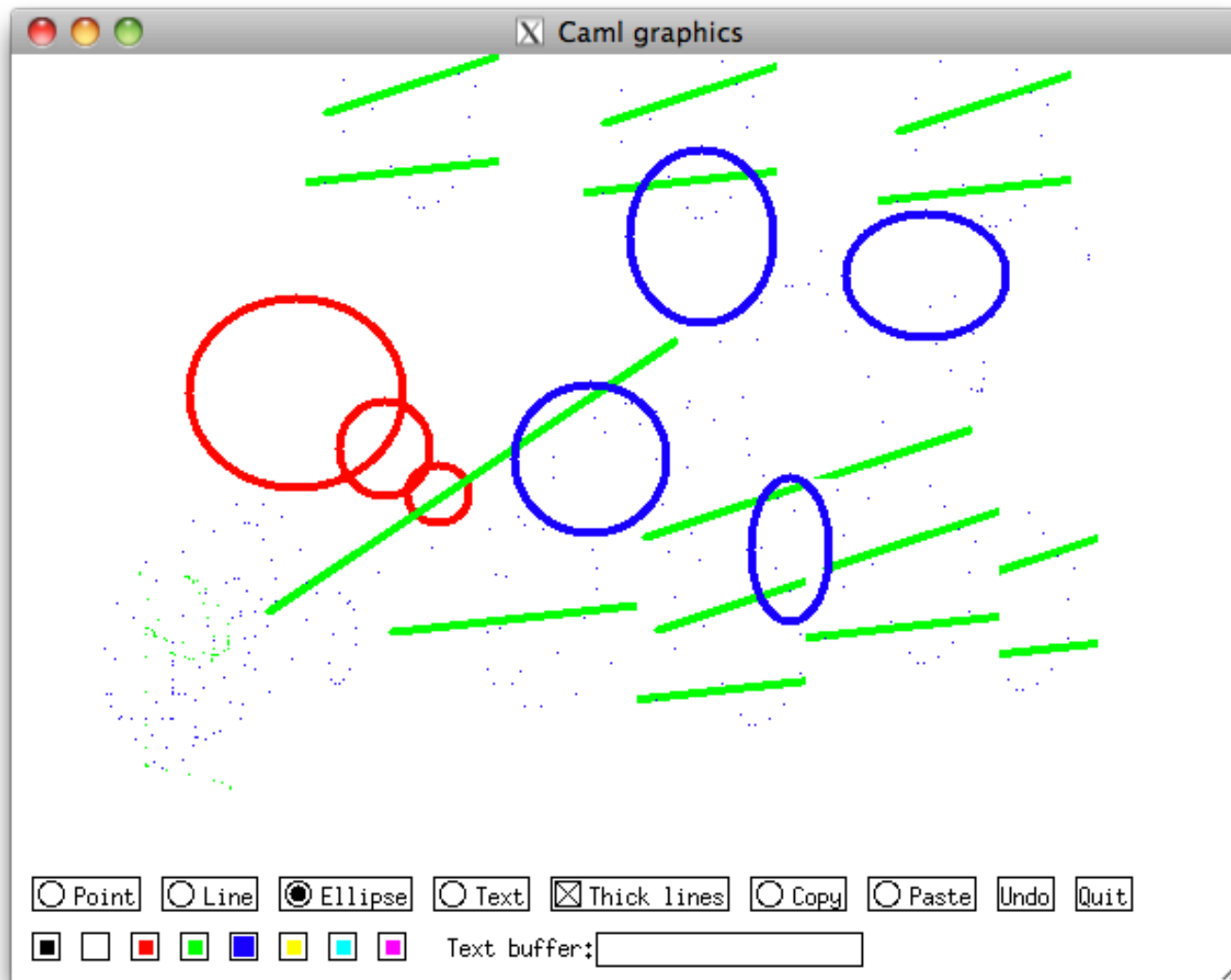
# The CIS120 Trajectory

- HW 6: Build a GUI library and client application *from scratch* in OCaml
  - Available Friday
  - Due March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Several purposes:
  - Show you that you have enough knowledge to do some pretty serious programming
  - Illustrate the *event-driven* programming model
  - Practice with first-class functions and *hidden state*
  - Bridge to object-oriented programming (i.e. Java)
  - Give you a feel for how GUI libraries (like Java's Swing) work
- Afterwards: transition to Java

# Demo: GUI Paint Application

HW 6

# Building a GUI and GUI Applications



# “Objects” and Hidden State

# Objects in Java

```
public class Counter {
```

class name

```
private int count;
```

instance variable

```
public Counter () {  
    count = 0;  
}
```

constructor

```
public int incr () {  
    count = count + 1;  
    return count;  
}
```

methods

```
public int decr () {  
    count = count - 1;  
    return count;  
}
```

class declaration

object creation and use

```
public class Main {
```

```
public static void  
main (String[] args) {
```

constructor invocation

```
Counter c = new Counter();
```

```
System.out.println( c.inc() );
```

```
}
```

method call



# What is an Object?

- Object = Instance variables (fields) + Methods
  - Fields = Mutable record
  - Methods = (Immutable) record of first-class functions that update the fields
- Objects *encapsulate* state when the methods are the **only** way to mutate the fields.
- Objects are first-class. Can have several *instances*, which are modified independently.
- Can we get similar behavior in OCaml?

# An “incr” function

- This function increments a counter and return its new value each time it is called:

```
type counter_state = { mutable count:int }  
  
let ctr = { count = 0 }  
  
(* each call to incr will produce the next integer *)  
let incr () : int =  
  ctr.count <- ctr.count + 1;  
  ctr.count
```

- Drawbacks:
  - *No abstraction*: There can be only one counter. If we want another, we need another counter\_state value and *another* function.
  - *No encapsulation*: Any other function can modify count, too.

# Using Hidden State

- Make a function that creates the counter state and update function each time a counter is needed.

```
(* More useful: a counter generator: *)
let mk_incr () : unit -> int =
  (* this ctr is private to the returned function *)
  let ctr = {count = 0} in
  fun () ->
    ctr.count <- ctr.count + 1;
    ctr.count

(* make one incr function *)
let incr1 : unit -> int = mk_incr ()

(* make another incr function *)
let incr2 : unit -> int = mk_incr ()
```

# Running mk\_incr

Workspace

Stack

Heap

```
let mk_incr () : unit -> int =  
  let ctr = {count = 0} in  
  fun () ->  
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    ctr.count  
  
let incr1 : unit -> int =  
mk_incr ()
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# Running mk\_incr

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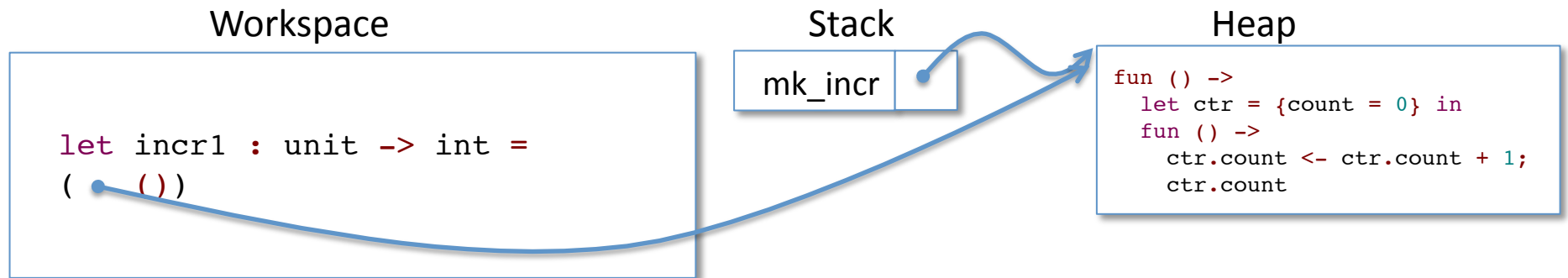
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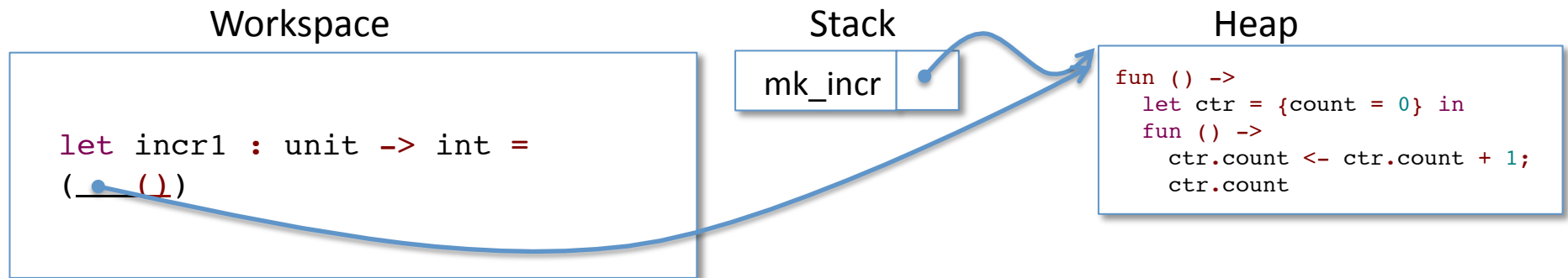
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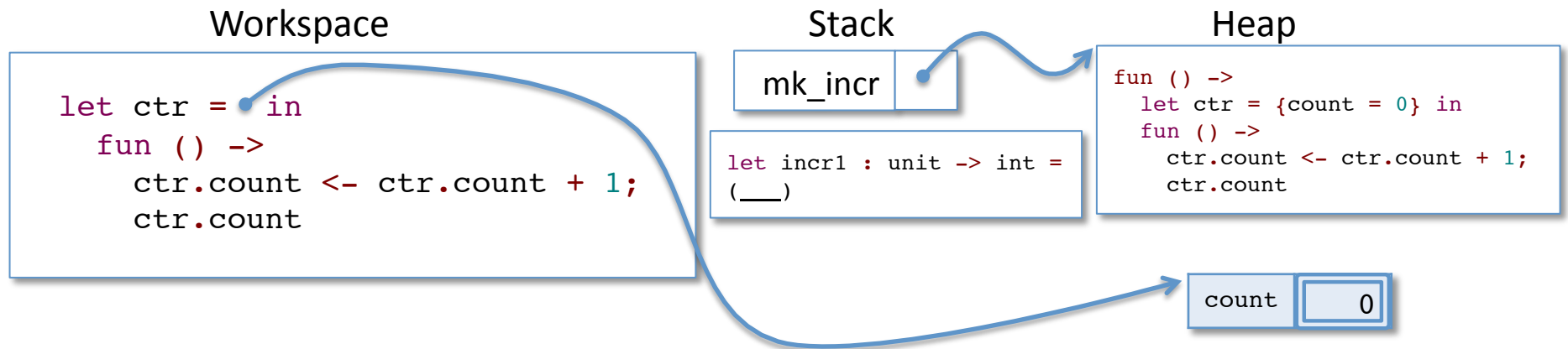
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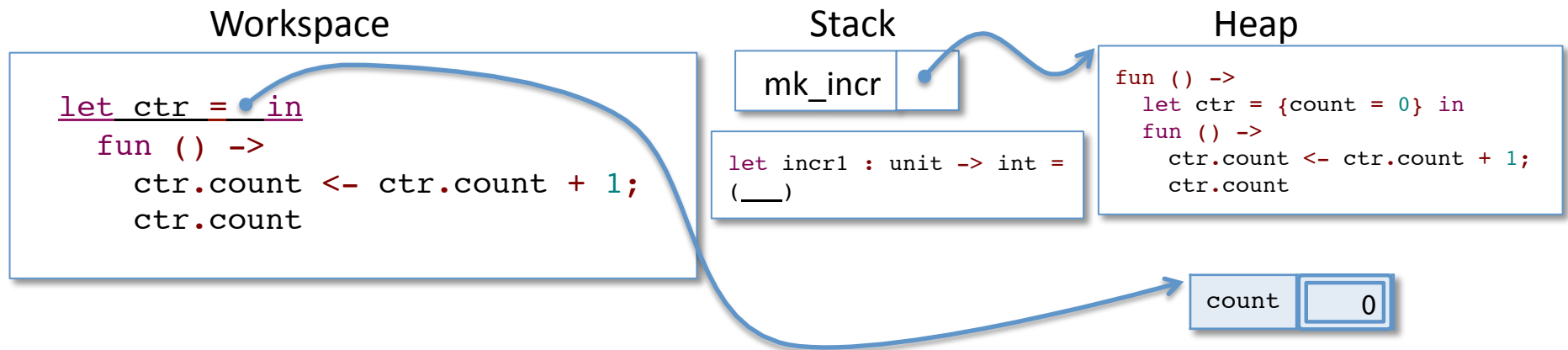
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Heap

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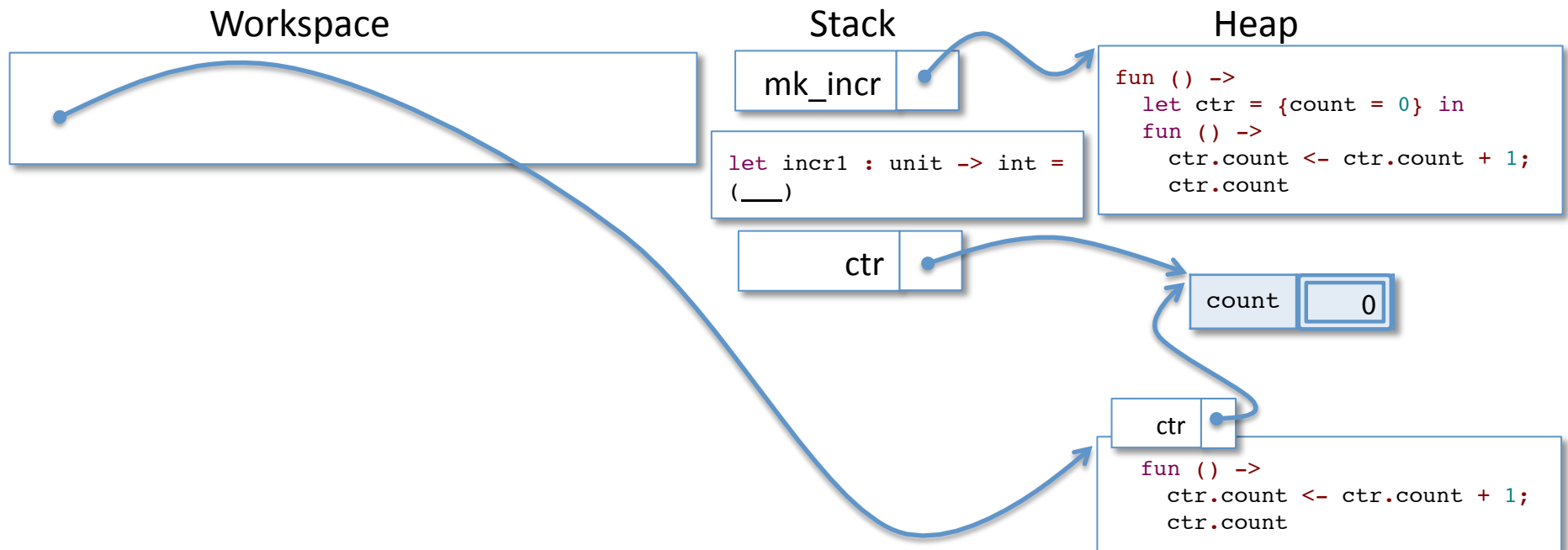
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```

count

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# Local Functions

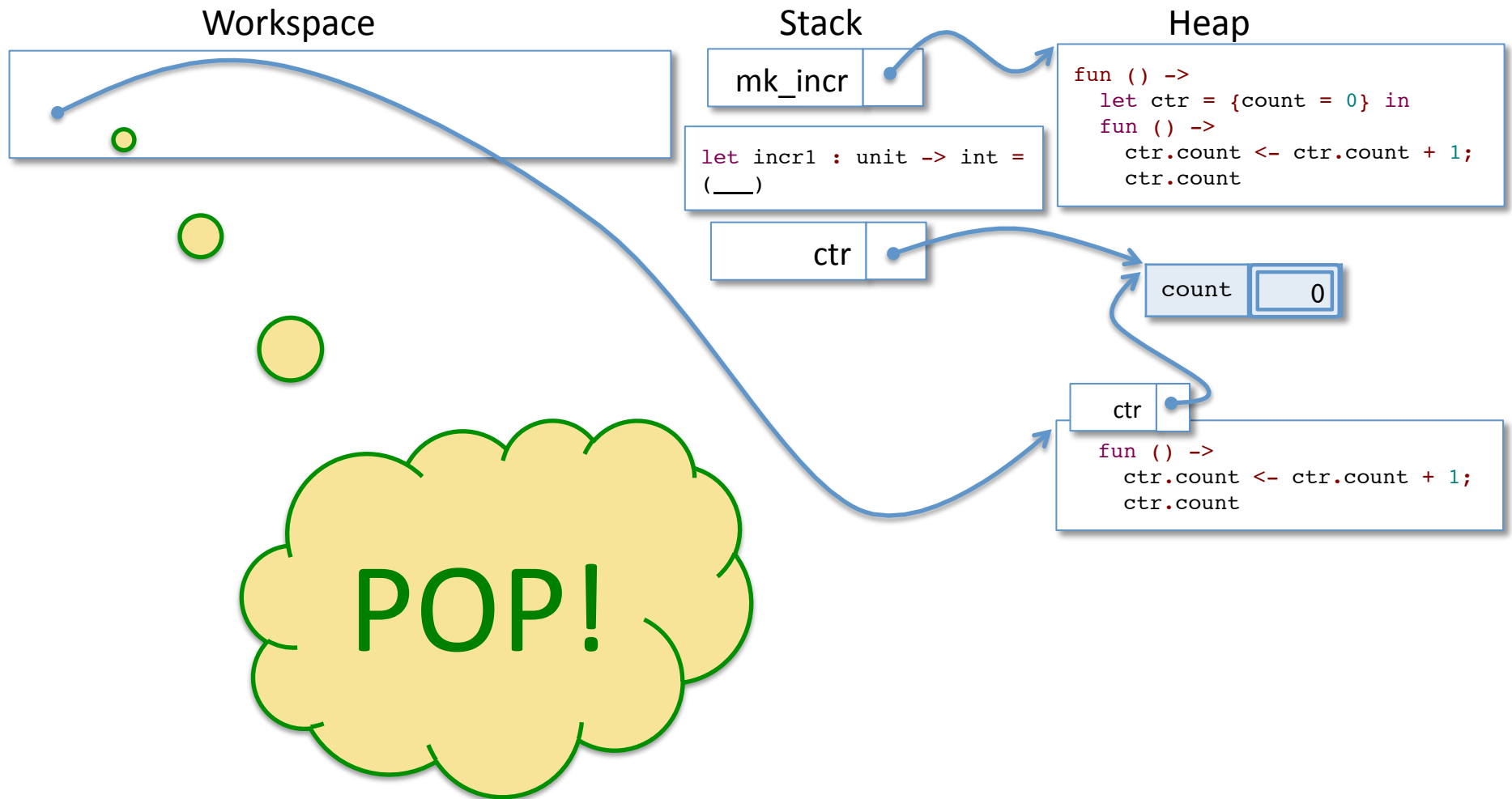


NOTE: We need one refinement to handle local functions. Why?

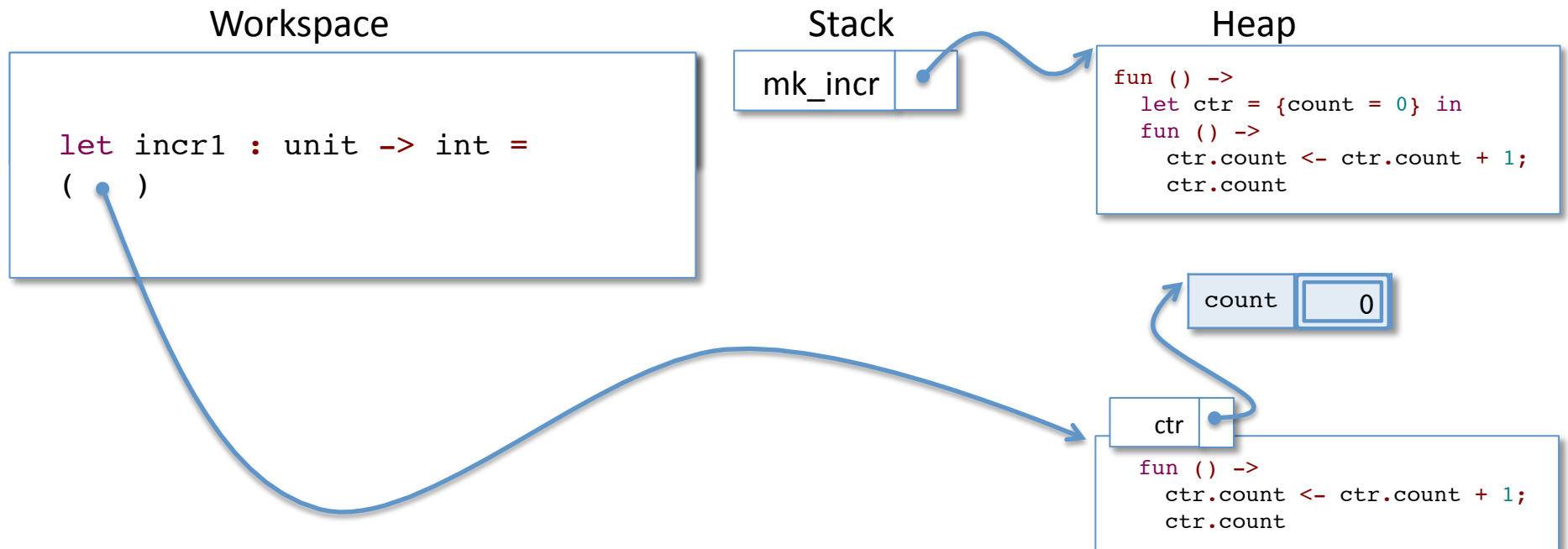
The function mentions “ctr”, which is on the stack (but about to be popped off)...

...so we save a copy of the needed stack bindings with the function itself. (This is sometimes called a *closure*...)

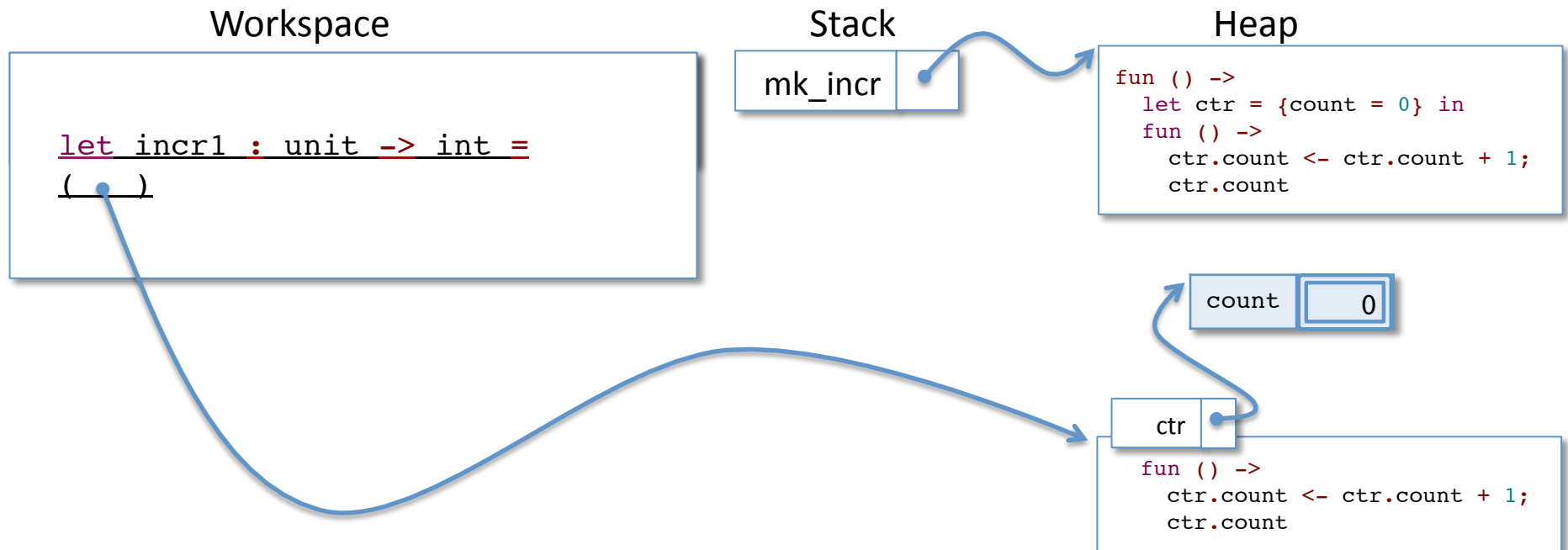
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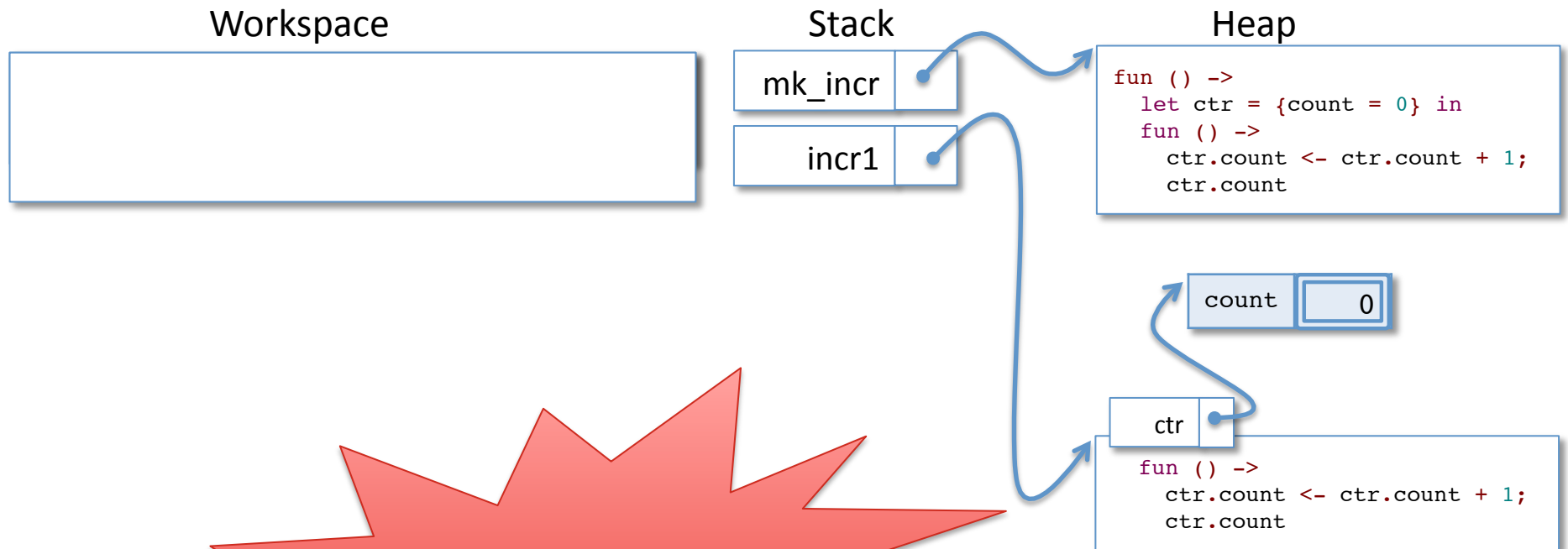
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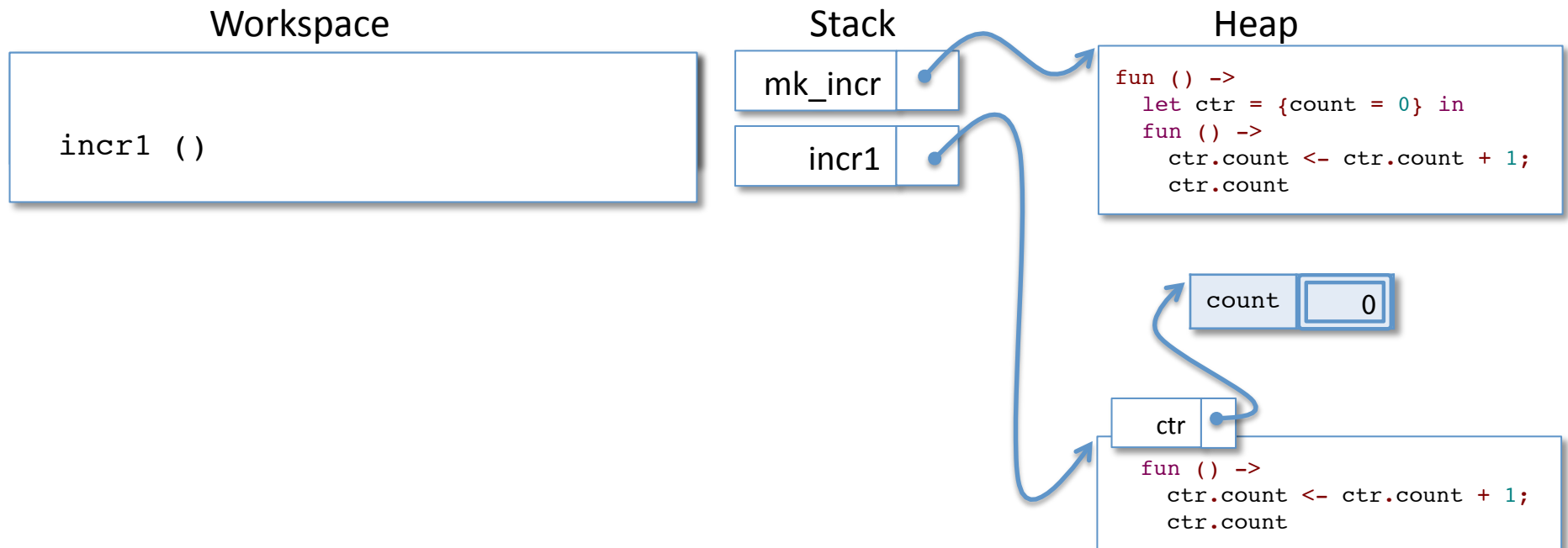


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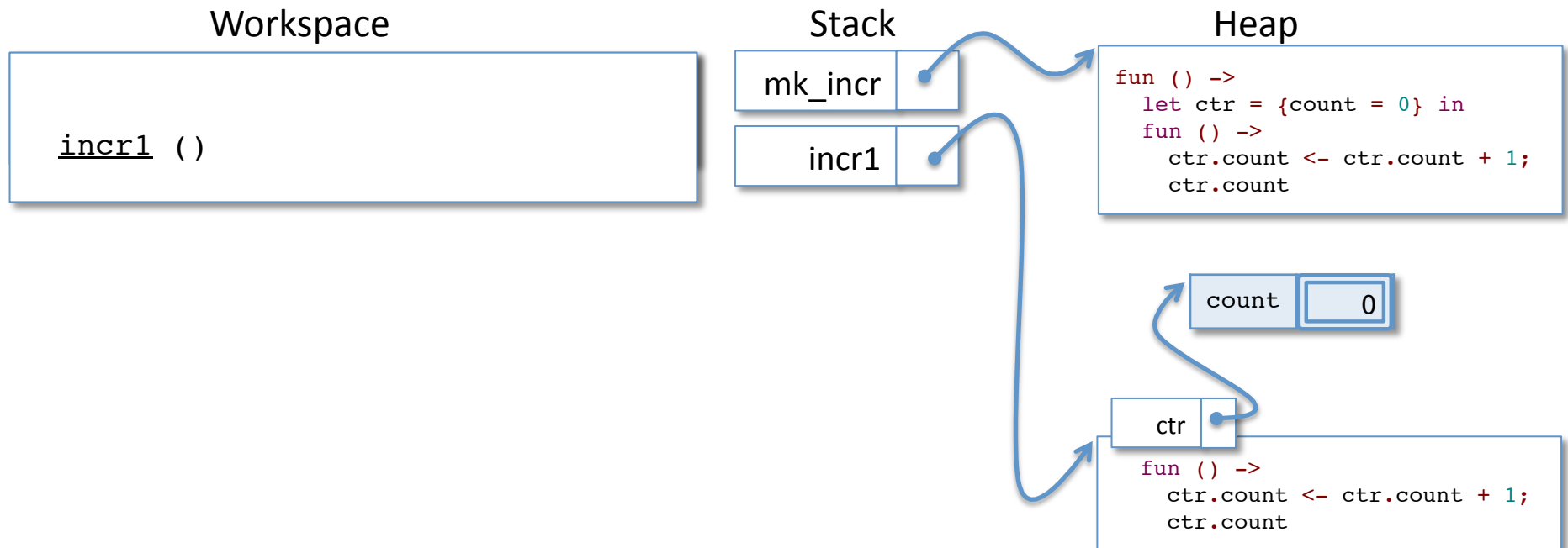
Note how the count record is accessible only via the `incr1` function. This is the sense in which the state is “local” to `incr1`.

# Now let's run "incr1 ()"

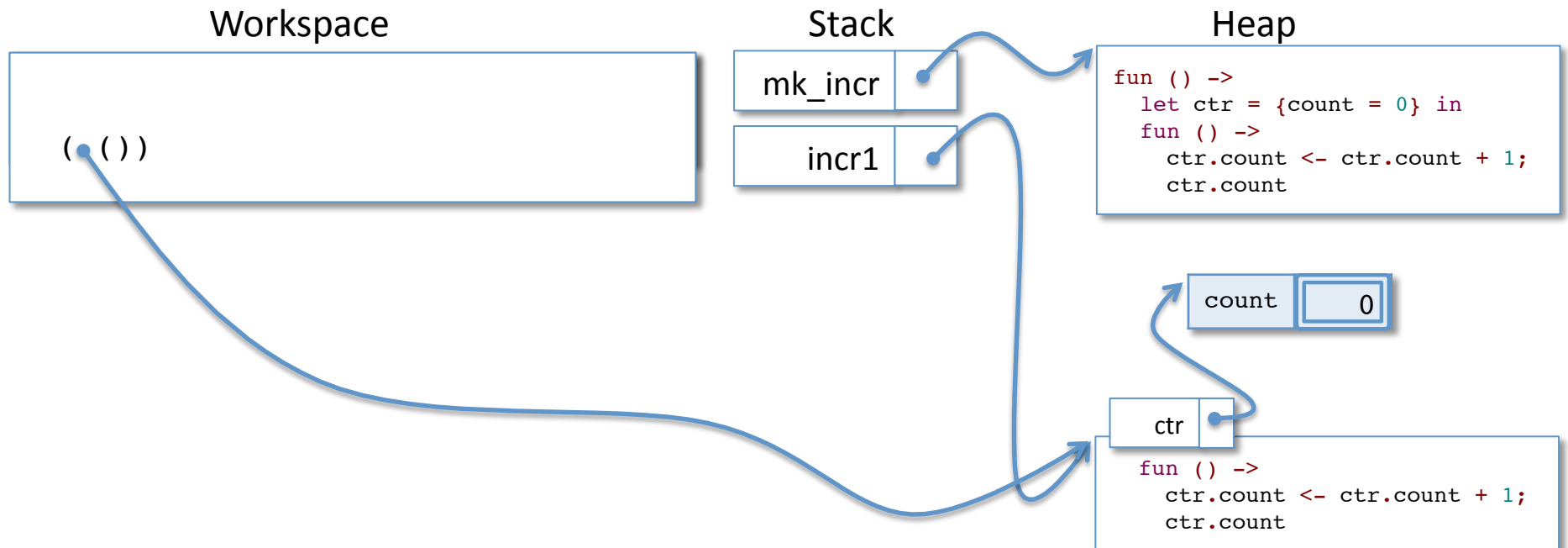




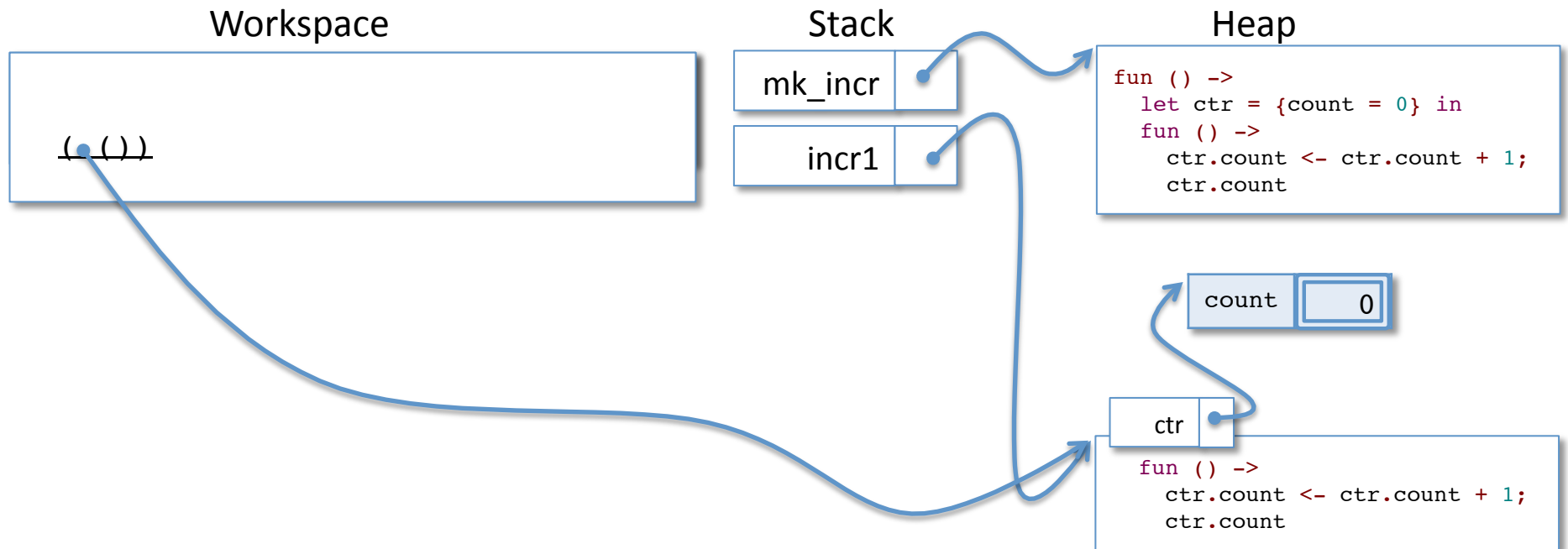
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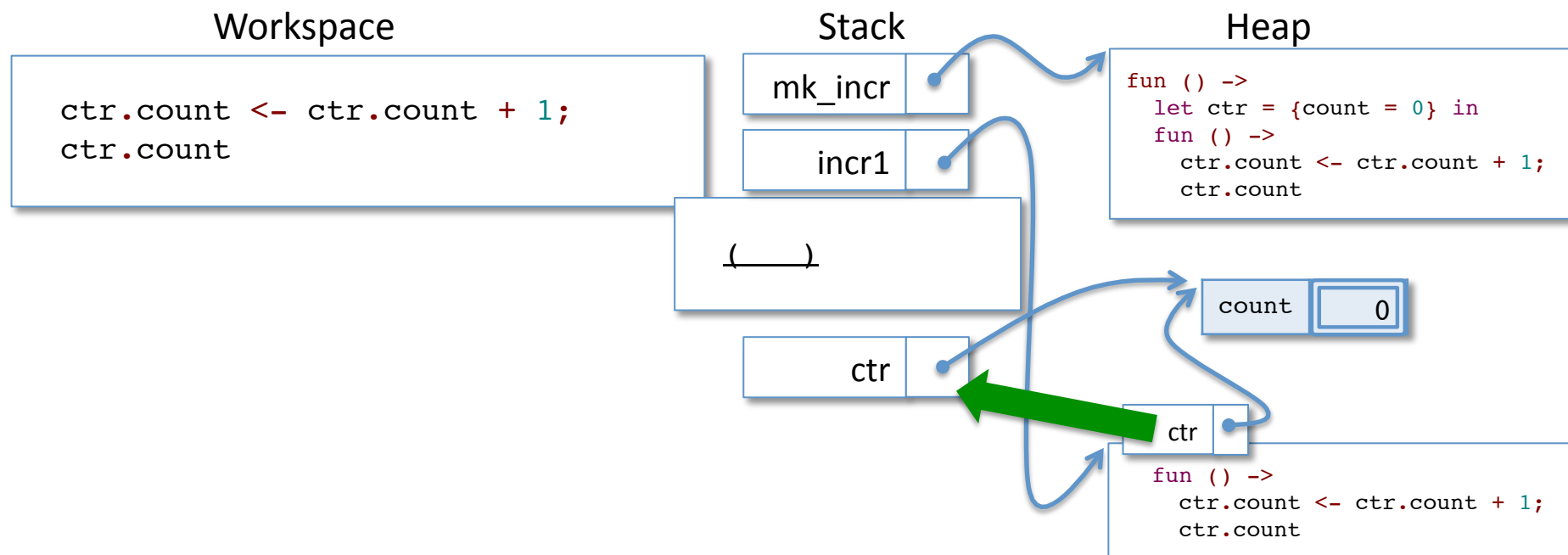
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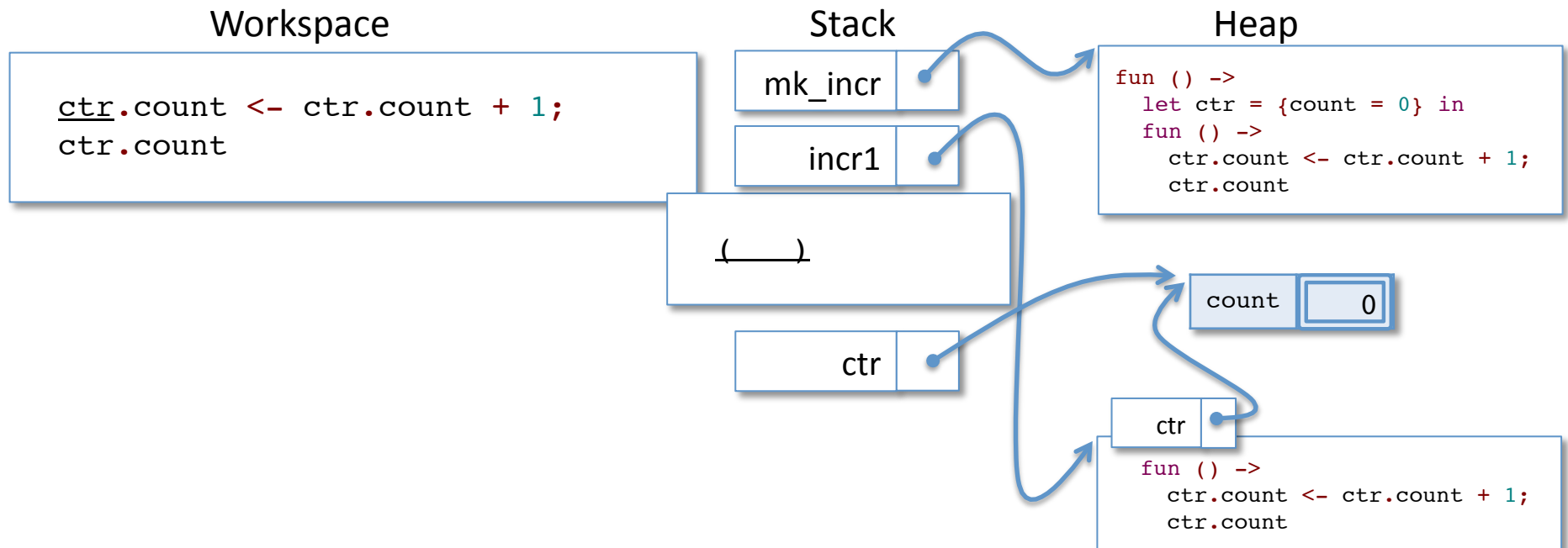


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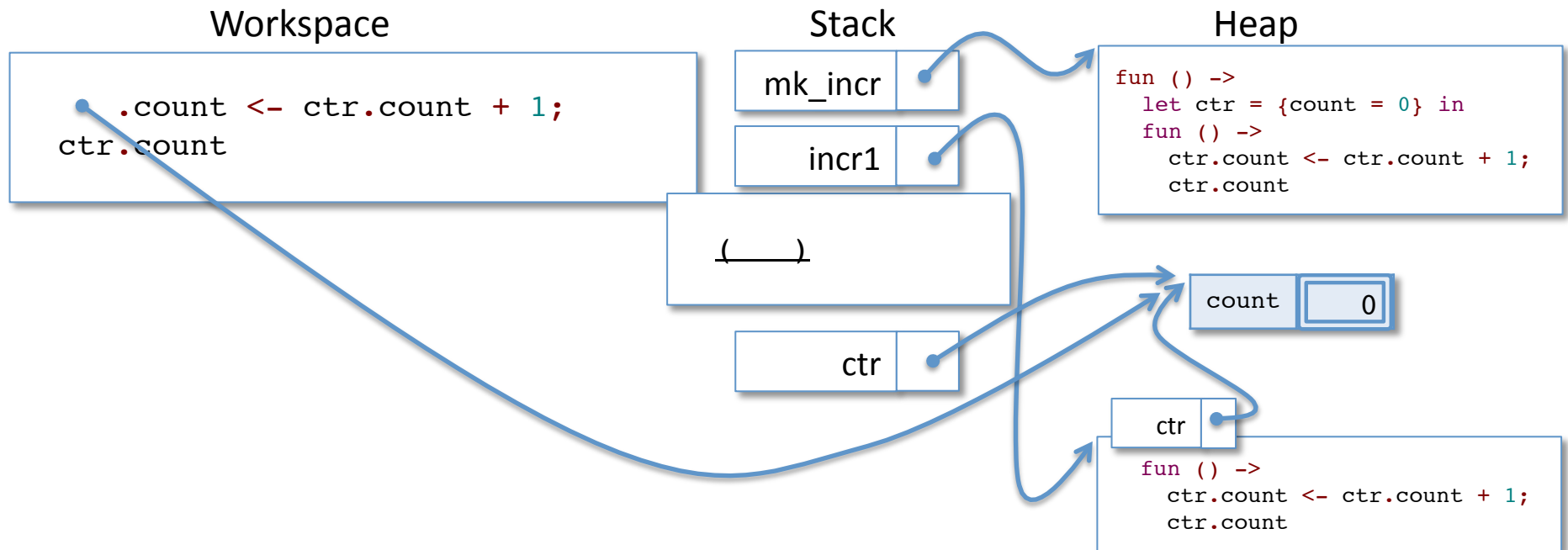


NOTE: Since the function had some saved stack bindings, we add them to the stack at the same time that we put the code in the workspace.

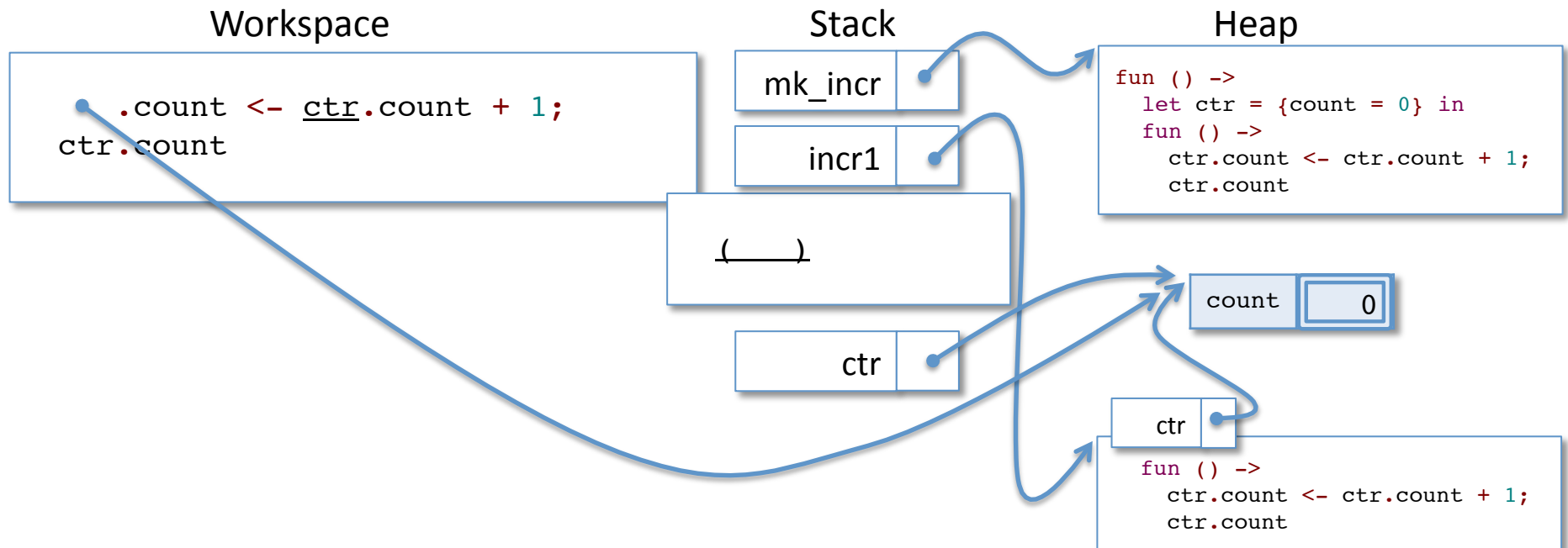
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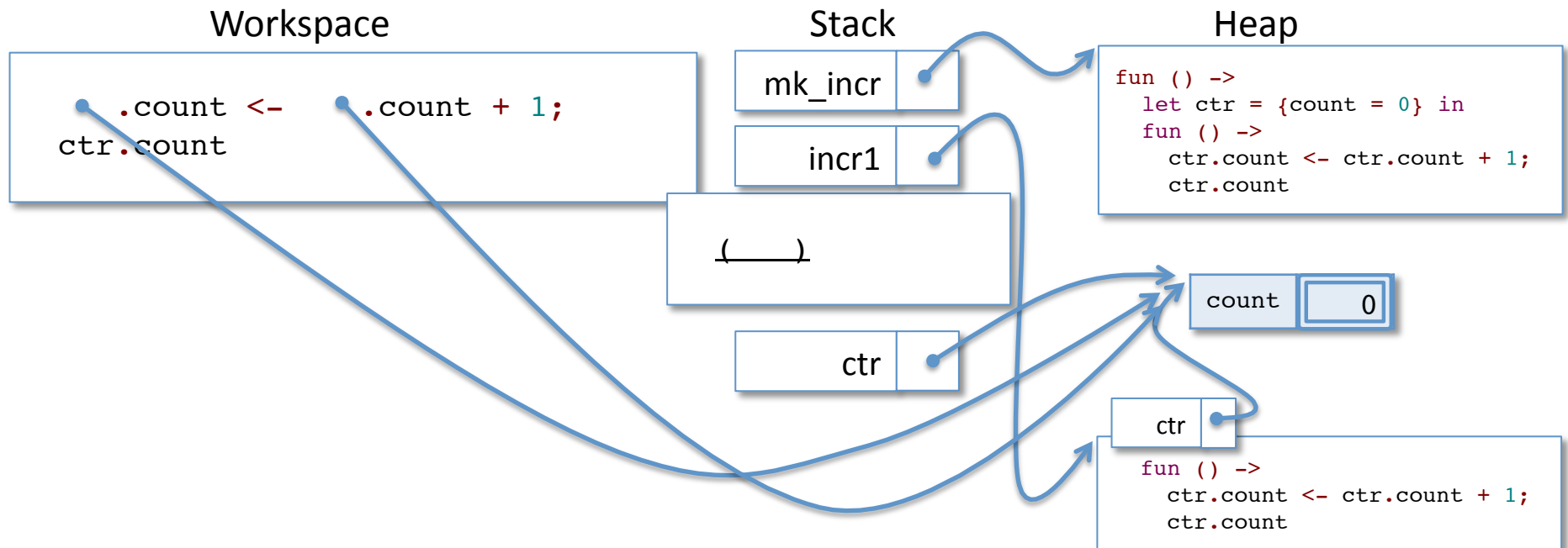
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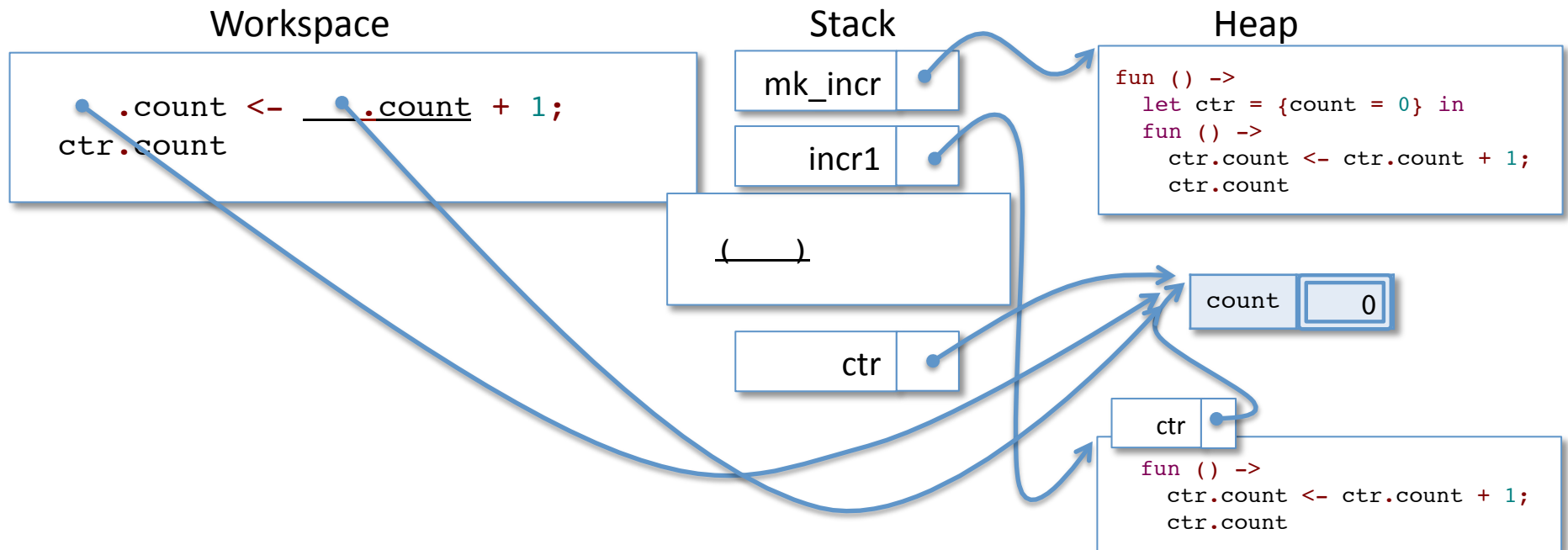


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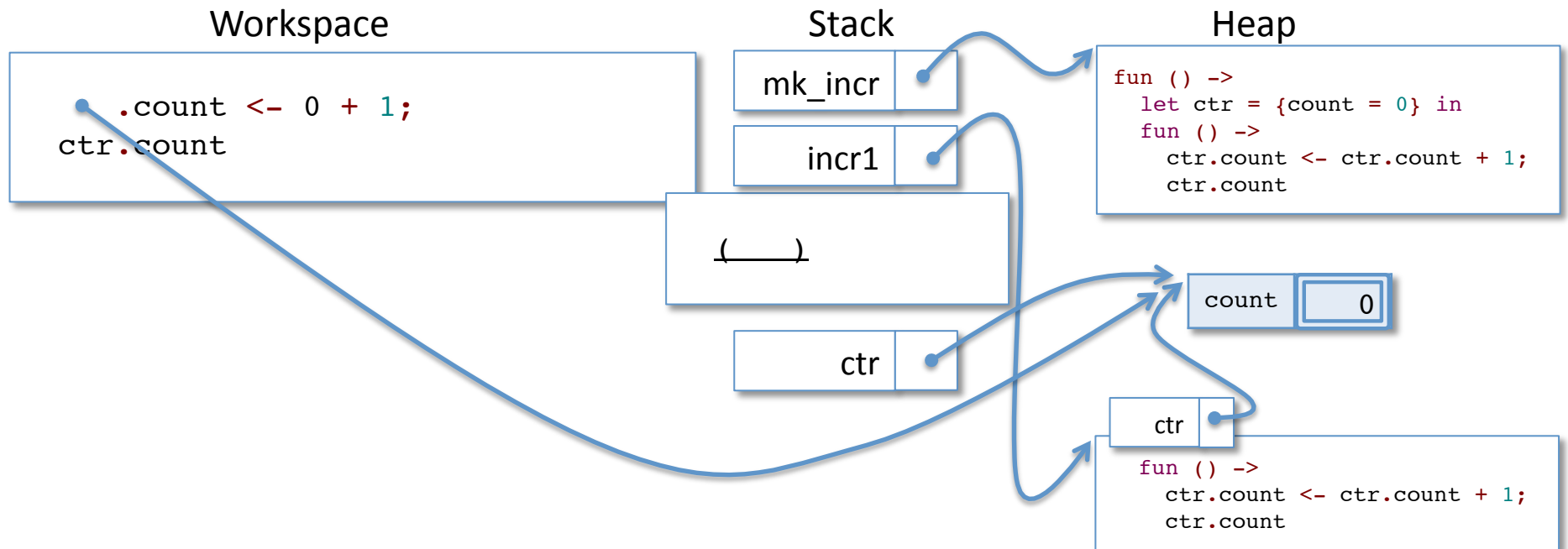




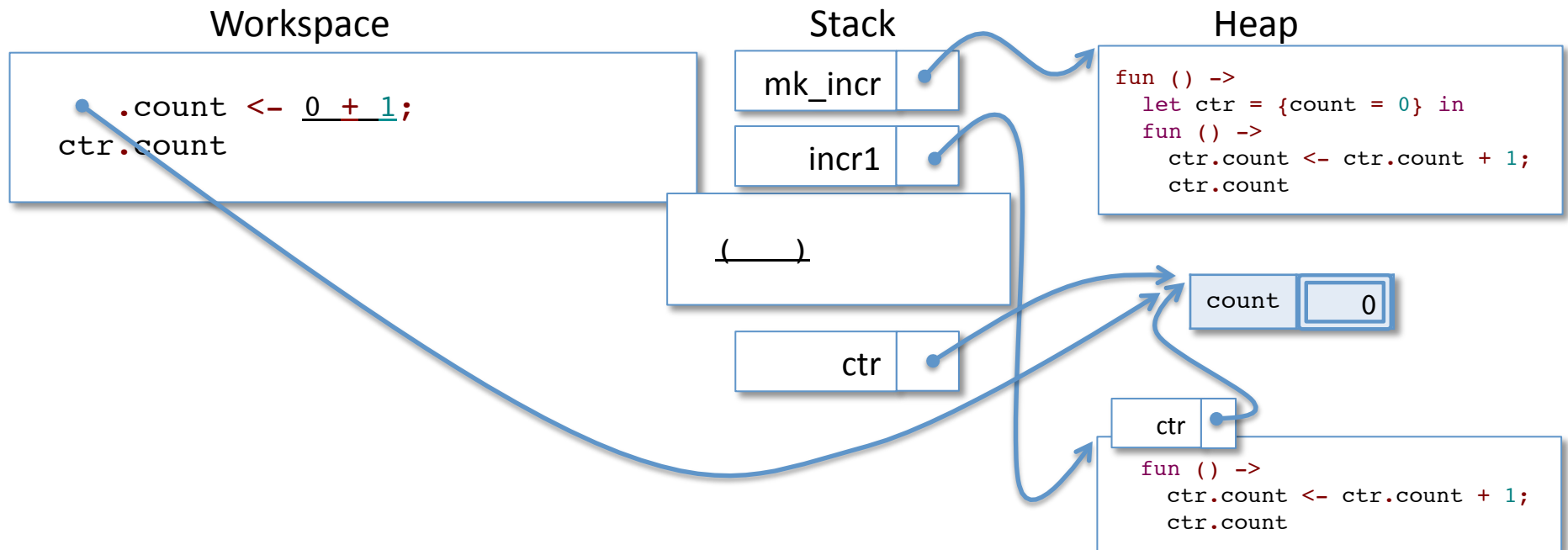
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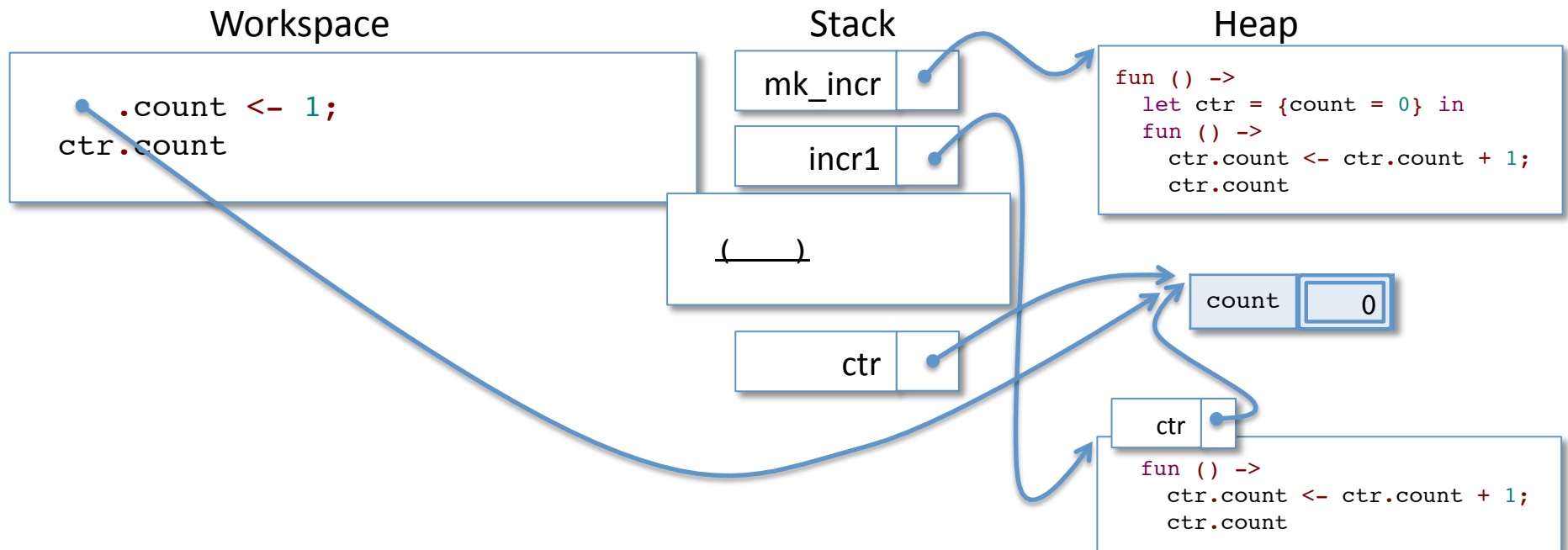
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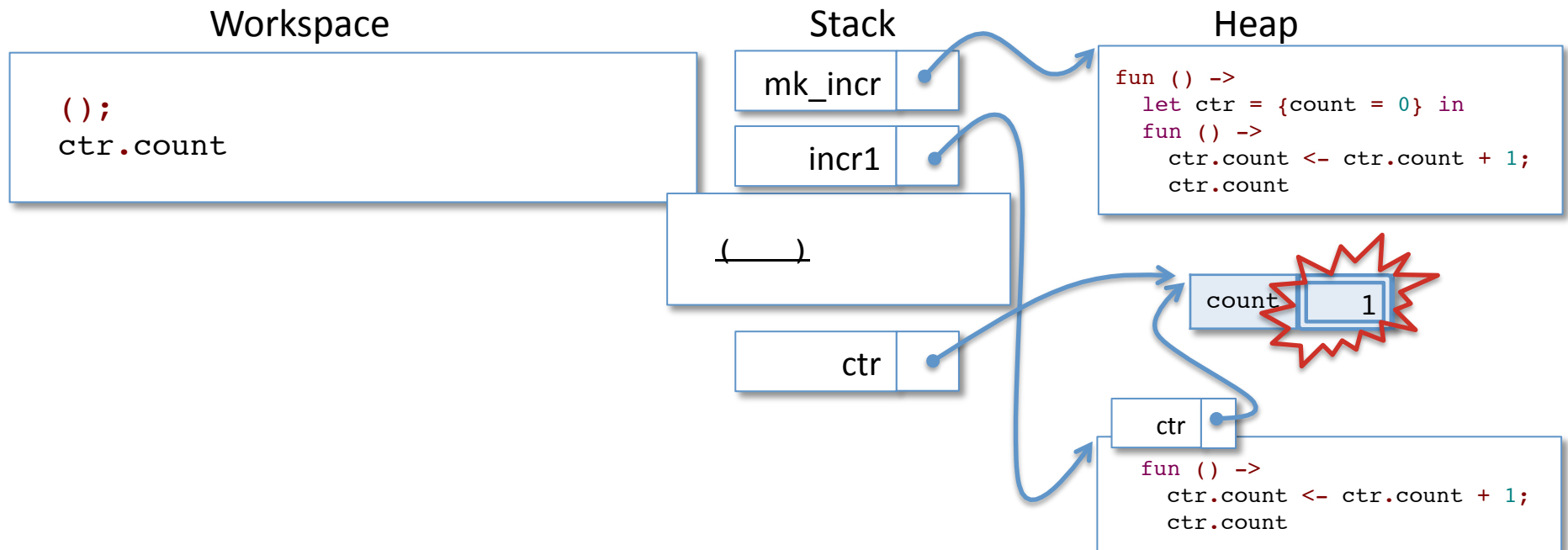


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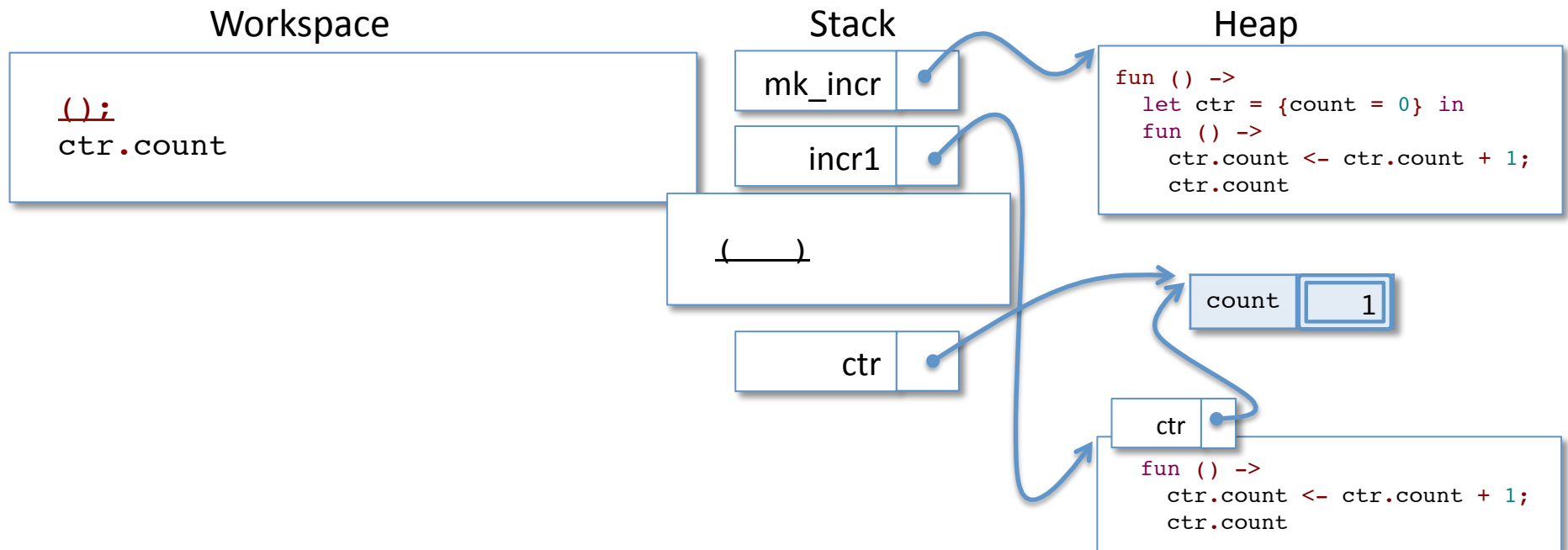




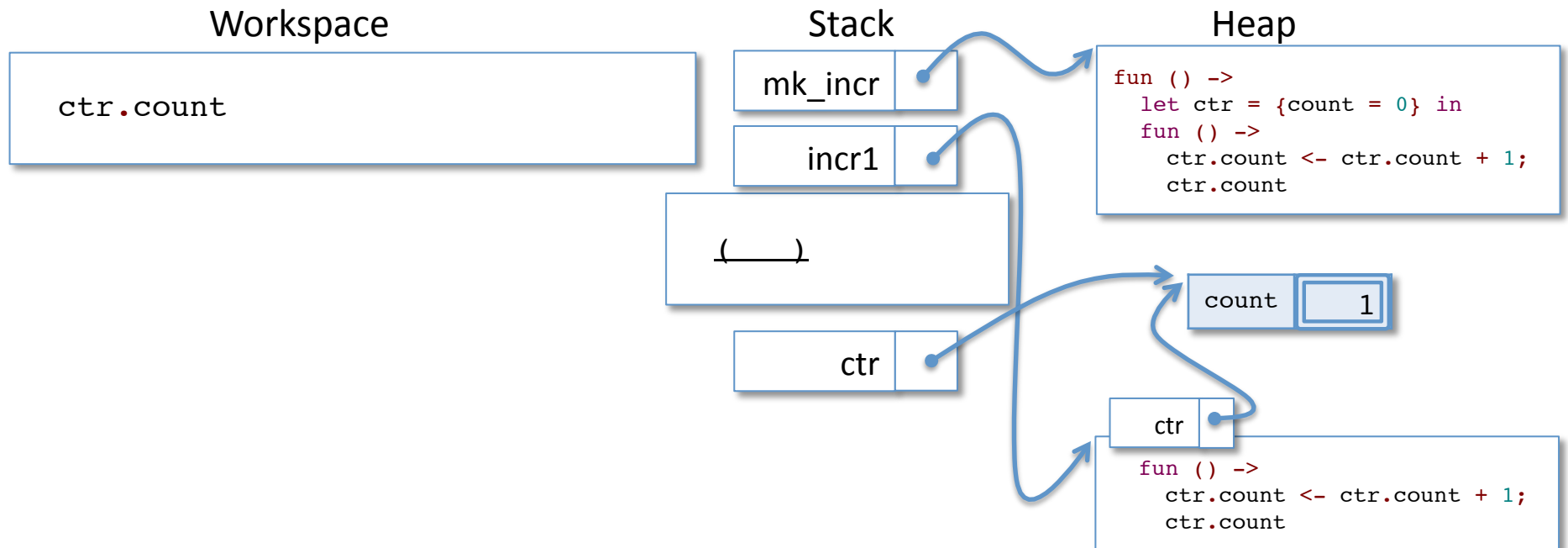
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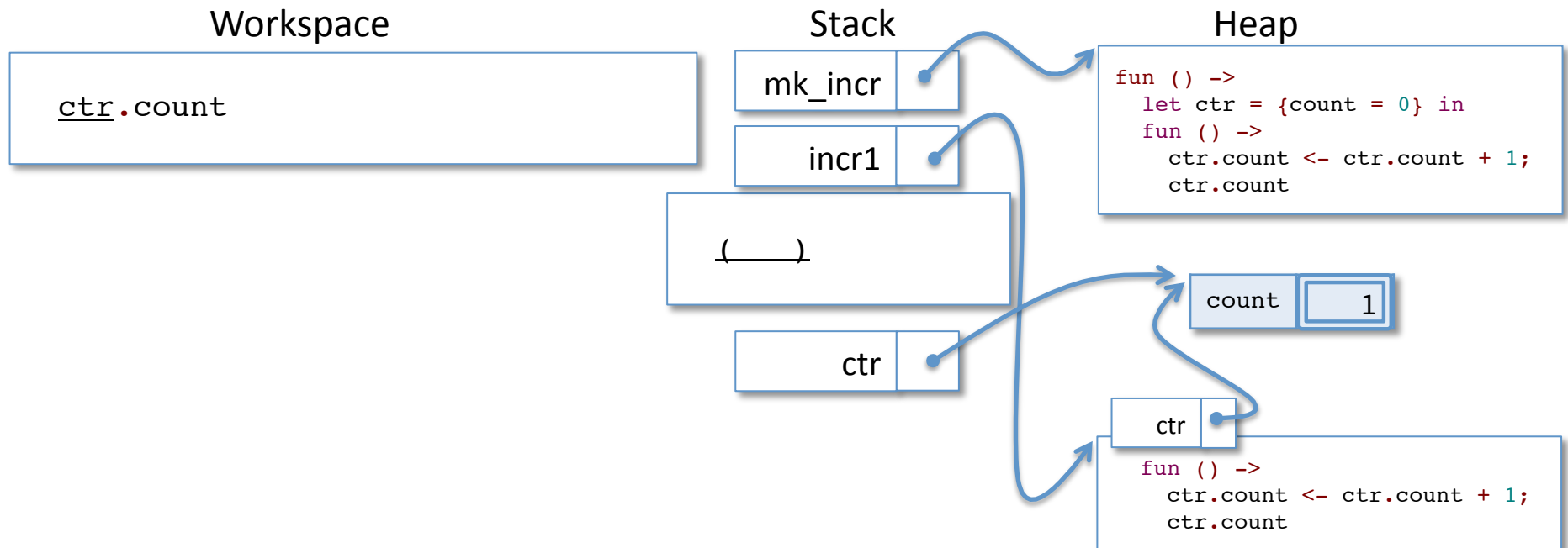


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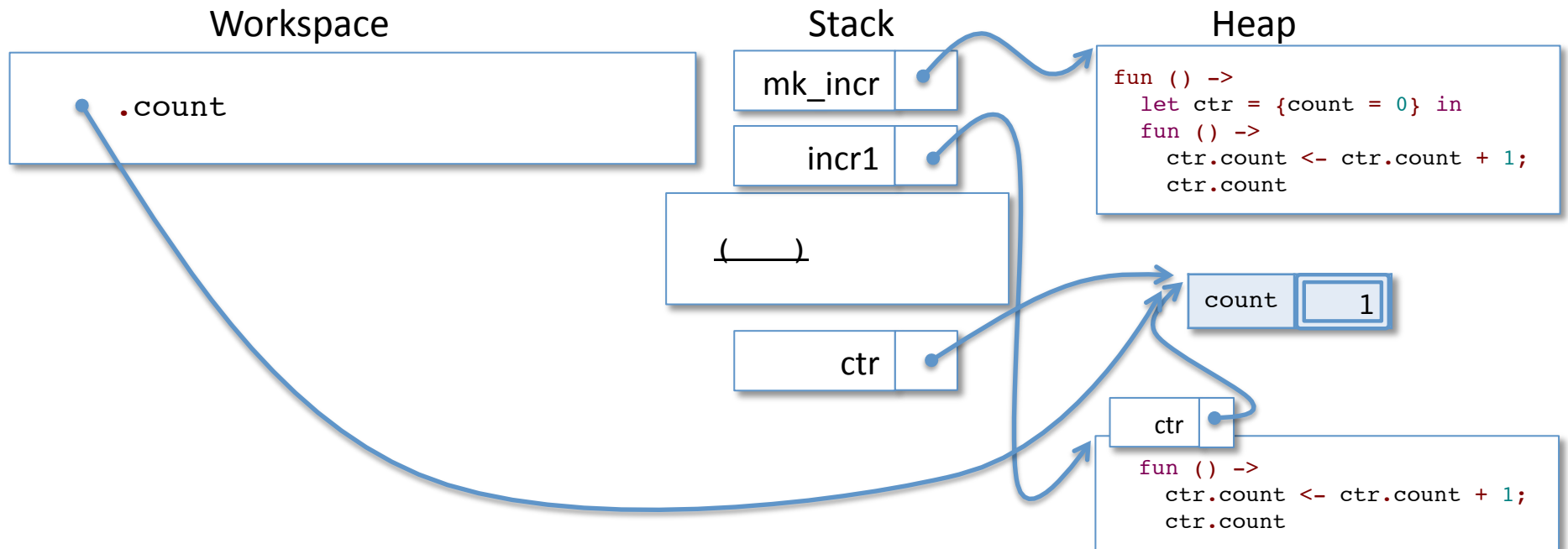




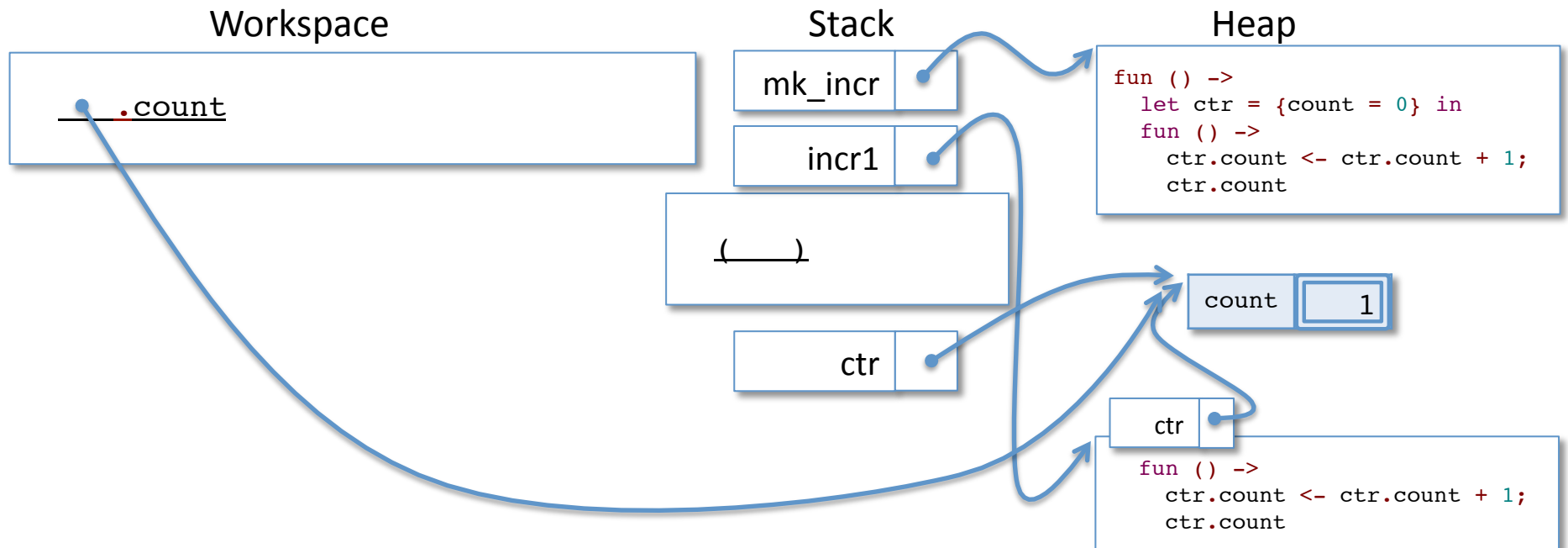
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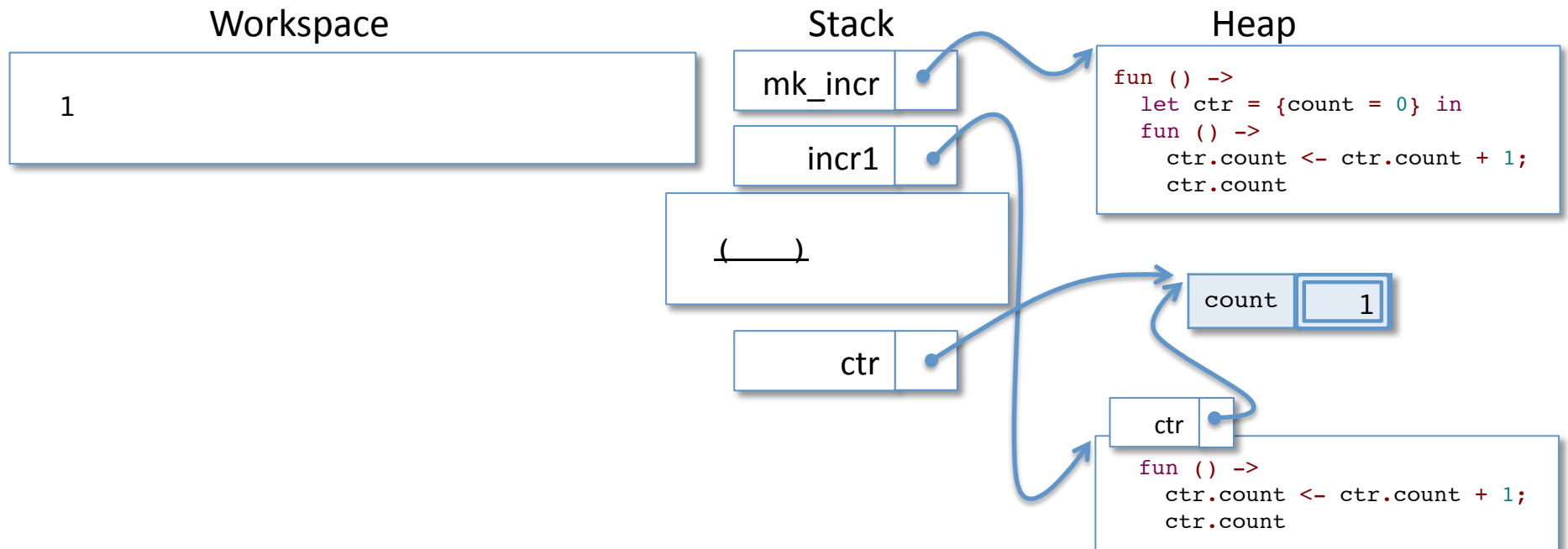
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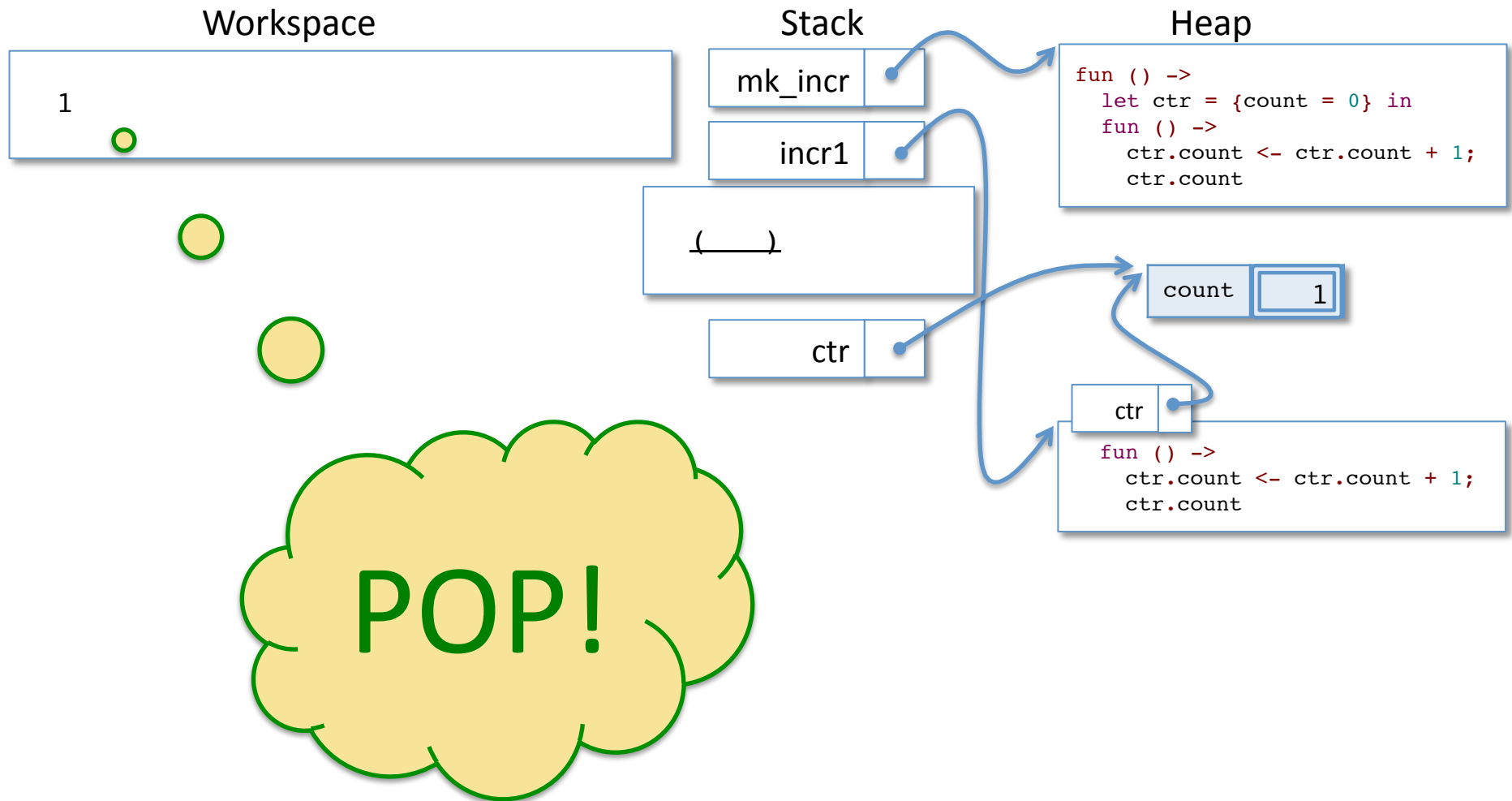
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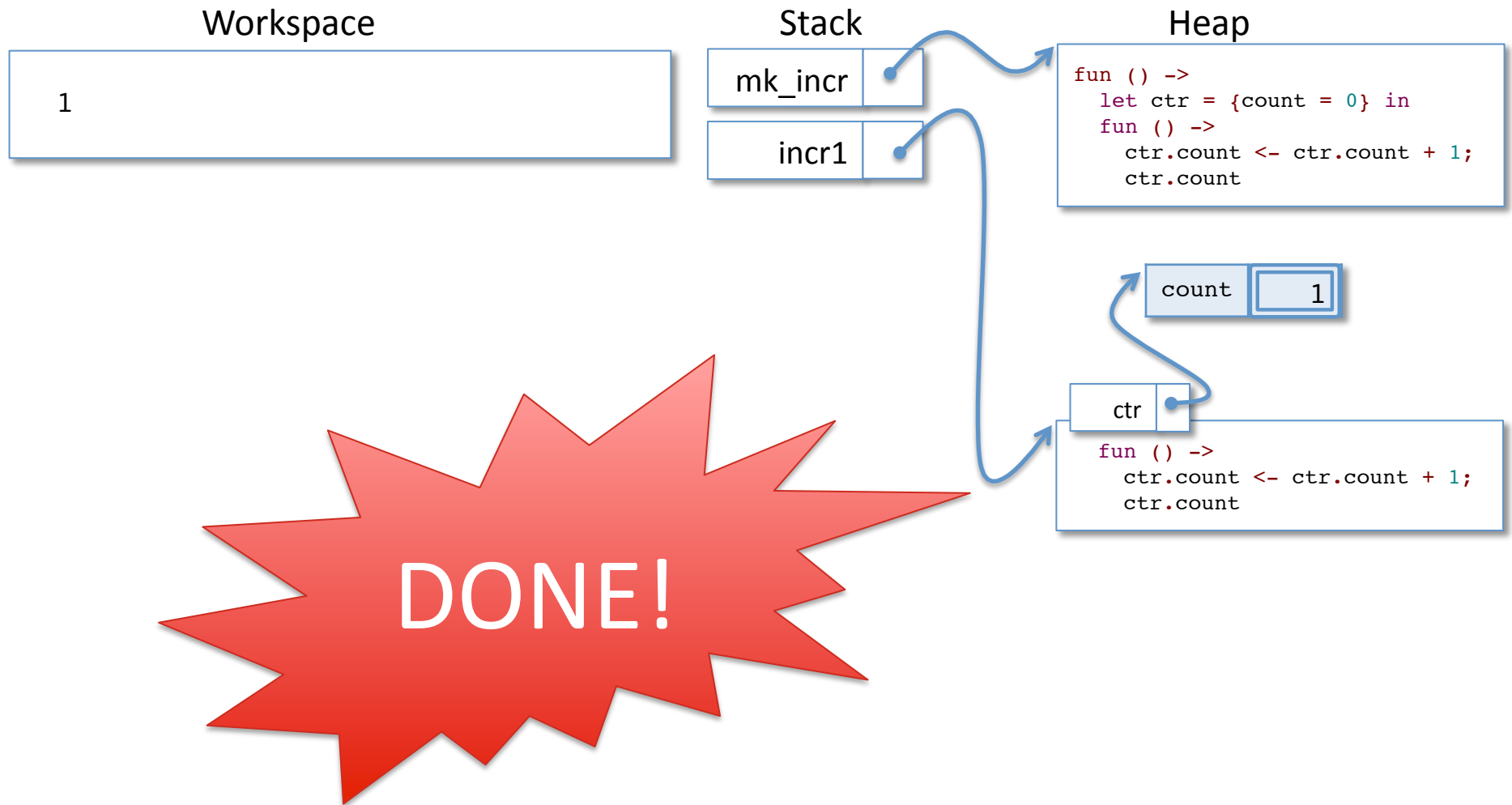
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# Now Let's run `mk_incr` again

Workspace

```
let incr2 : unit -> int =  
mk_incr ()
```

Stack

mk\_incr

incr1

Heap

```
fun () ->  
  let ctr = {count = 0} in  
  fun () ->  
    ctr.count <- ctr.count + 1;  
    ctr.count
```

count 1

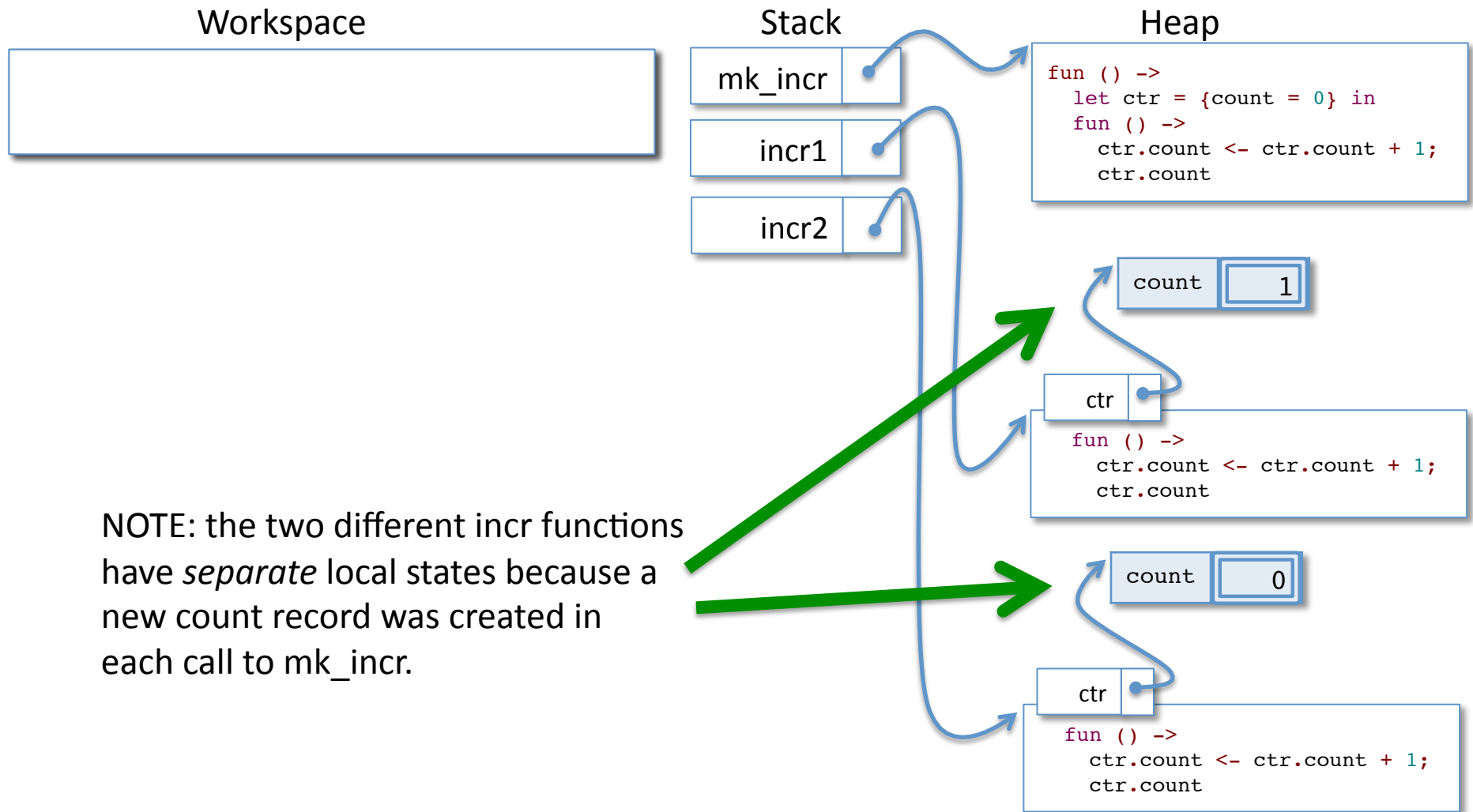
ctr

```
fun () ->  
  ctr.count <- ctr.count + 1;  
  ctr.count
```

...time passes...



# After creating incr2



# One step further

- `mk_incr` shows us how to create different instance of local state so that we can have several different counters.
- What if we want to bundle together several operations that share the same local state?
  - e.g. `incr` and `decr` operations that work on the same counter

# A Counter Object

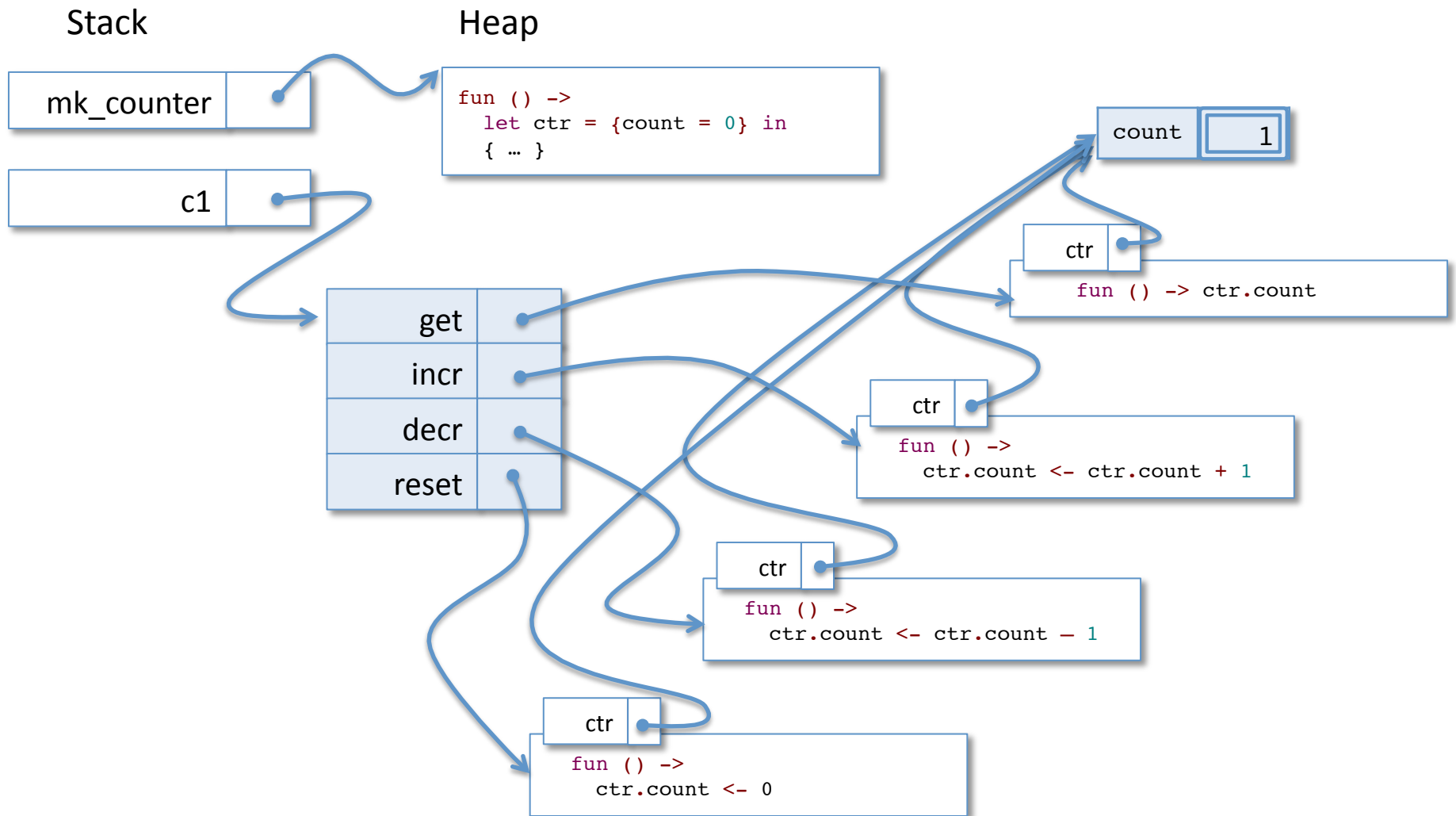
```
(* The type of counter objects *)
```

```
type counter = {  
  get : unit -> int;  
  incr : unit -> unit;  
  decr : unit -> unit;  
  reset : unit -> unit;}
```

```
(* Create a counter object with hidden state: *)
```

```
let mk_counter () : counter =  
  let ctr = {count = 0} in  
  {get = (fun () -> ctr.count) ;  
   incr = (fun () -> ctr.count <- ctr.count + 1) ;  
   decr = (fun () -> ctr.count <- ctr.count - 1) ;  
   reset = (fun () -> ctr.count <- 0) ;}
```

```
let c1 = mk_counter ()
```



# Using the Counter Objects

```
(* a helper function to create a nice string for
   printing *)
let ctr_string (s:string) (i:int) =
  s ^ ".ctr = " ^ (string_of_int i) ^ "\n"

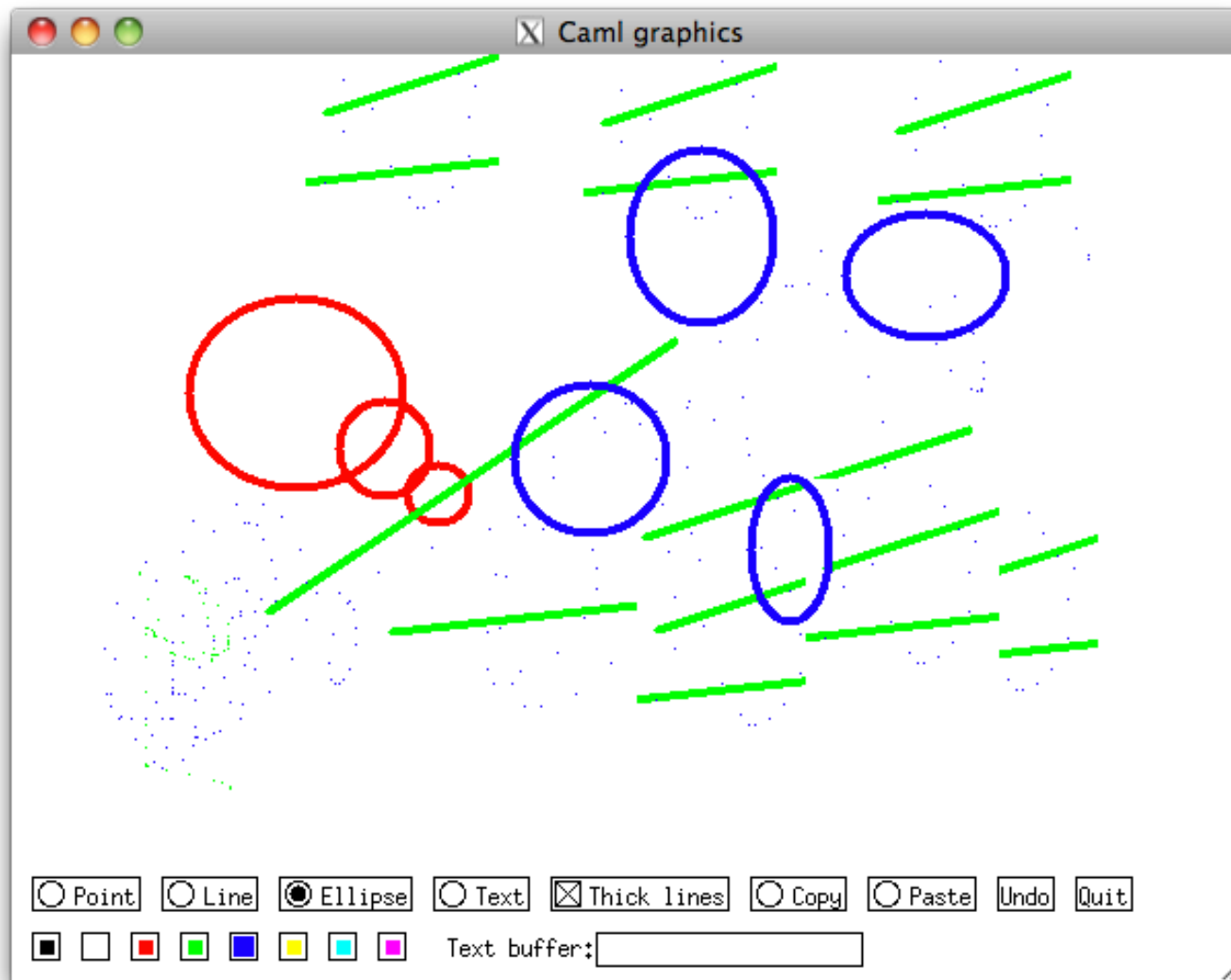
let c1 = mk_counter ()
let c2 = mk_counter ()

;; print_string (ctr_string "c1" (c1.get ()))
;; c1.incr ()
;; c1.incr ()
;; print_string (ctr_string "c1" (c1.get ()))
;; c1.decr ()
;; print_string (ctr_string "c1" (c1.get ()))
;; c2.incr ()
;; print_string (ctr_string "c2" (c2.get ()))
;; c2.decr ()
;; print_string (ctr_string "c2" (c2.get ()))
```

# GUI Design

putting objects to work

# Building a GUI and GUI Applications

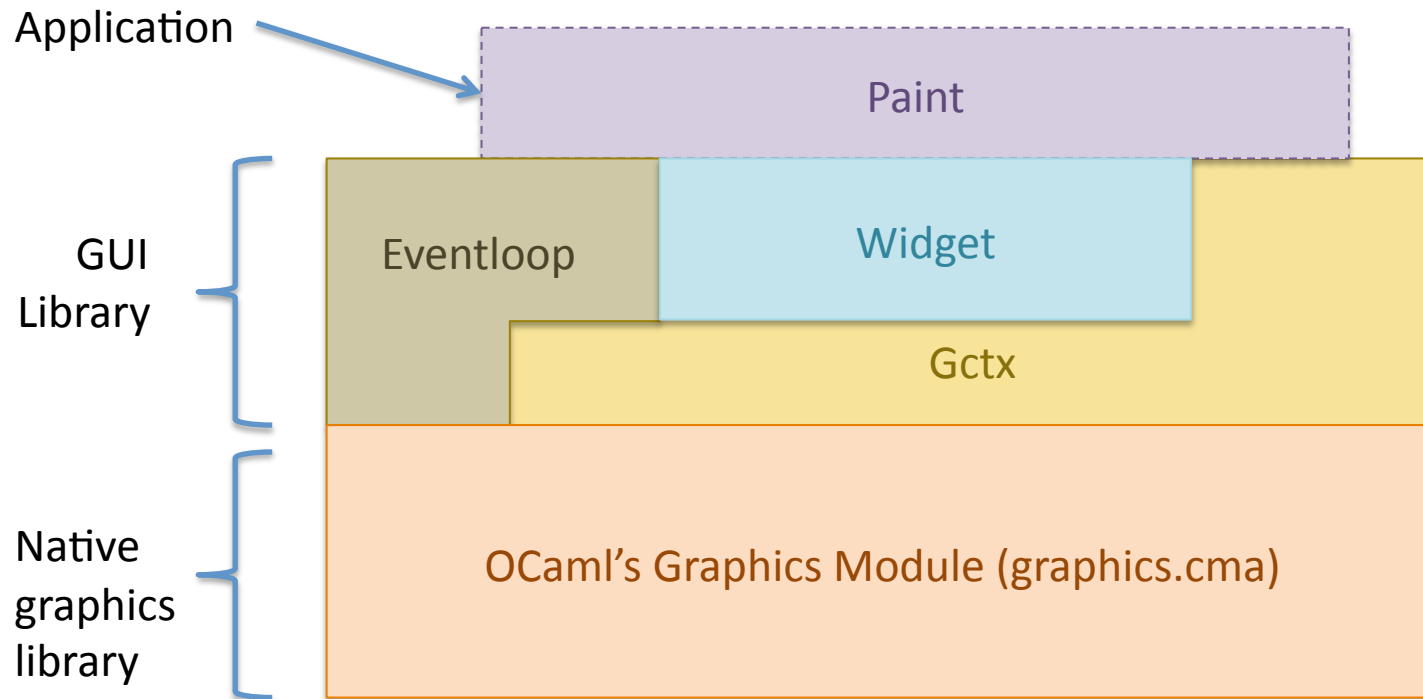


# Step #1: Understand the Problem

- We don't want to create just one graphical application, we want to make sure that our code is *reusable*
- What are the concepts involved in GUI libraries and how do they relate to each other?
- How can we separate the various concerns on the project?



# Project Architecture



# Designing an OCaml GUI library

# Designing a GUI library

- OCaml's Graphics library\* provides very *simple* primitives for:
  - Creating a window
  - Drawing various shapes: points, lines, text, rectangles, circles, etc.
  - Getting the mouse position, whether the mouse button is pressed, what key is pressed, etc.
  - See: <http://www.seas.upenn.edu/~cis120/current/ocaml-3.12-manual/libref/Graphics.html>
- How do we go from that to a functioning, reusable GUI library?

\*Pragmatic note: when compiling a program that uses the Graphics module, add `graphics.cmxa` (for native compilation) or `graphics.cma` (for bytecode compilation) to OCaml Build Flags under the Projects>Properties dialog in Eclipse.

# OCaml vs. *Standard* Coordinates

