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Bean Validation (JSR 303)

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JSR 303



BeanValidation

Integration

Background

Bootstrapping

Basic Validation

Metadata

Custom Constraints

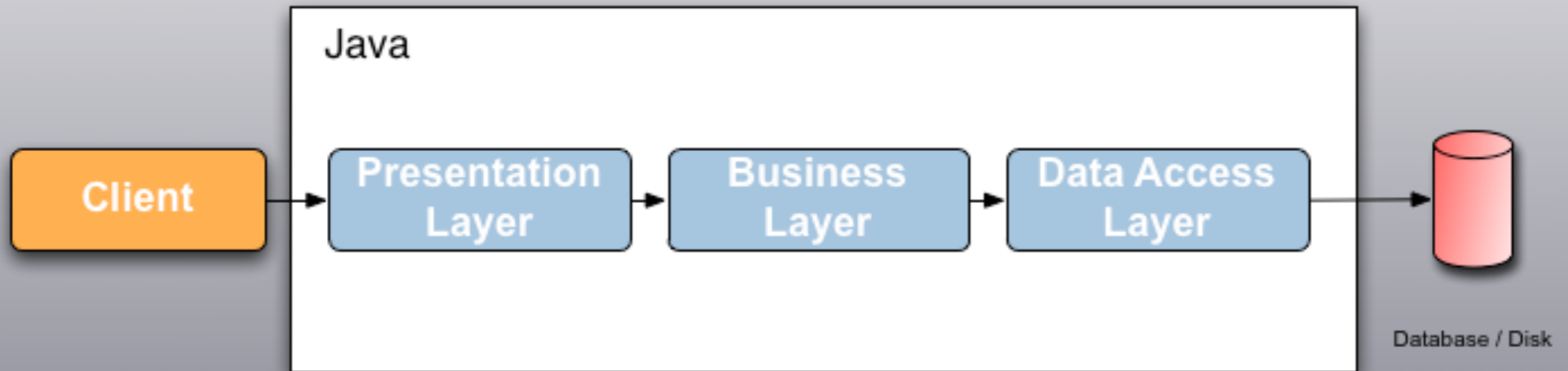
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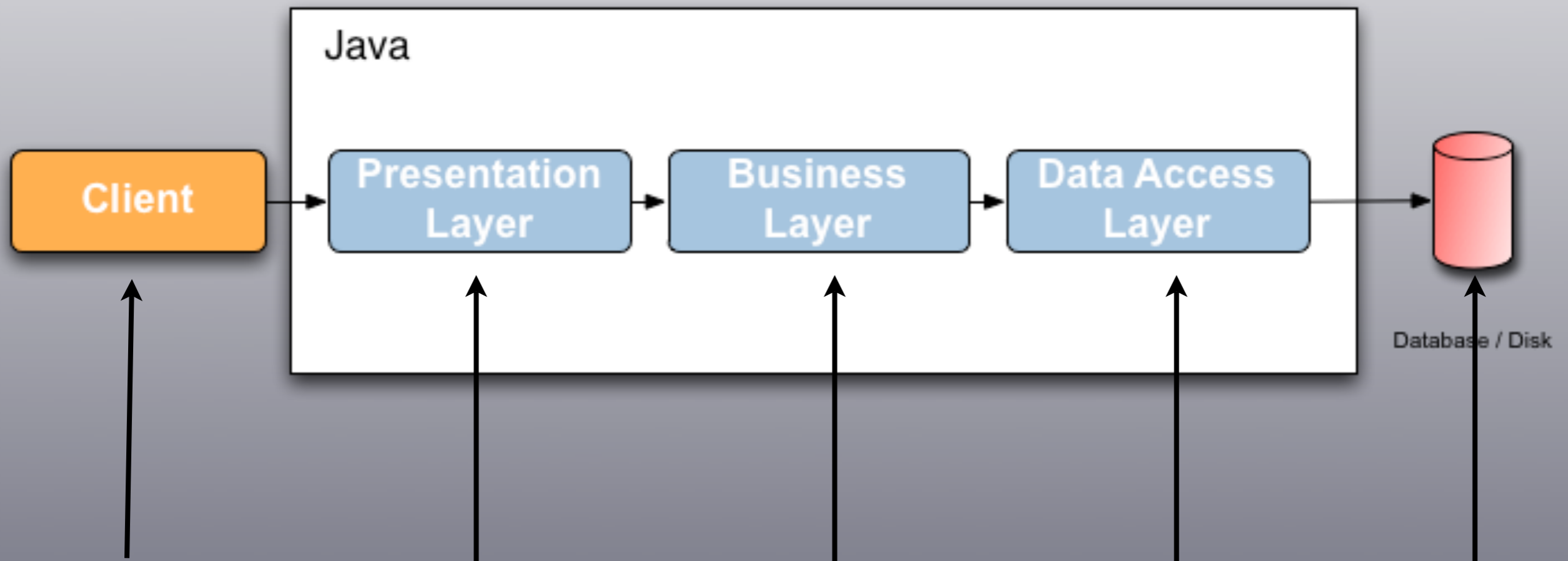
Why validate?

- Give feedback to the user
- Ensure correctness of service and data
- Avoid corrupt persistent data

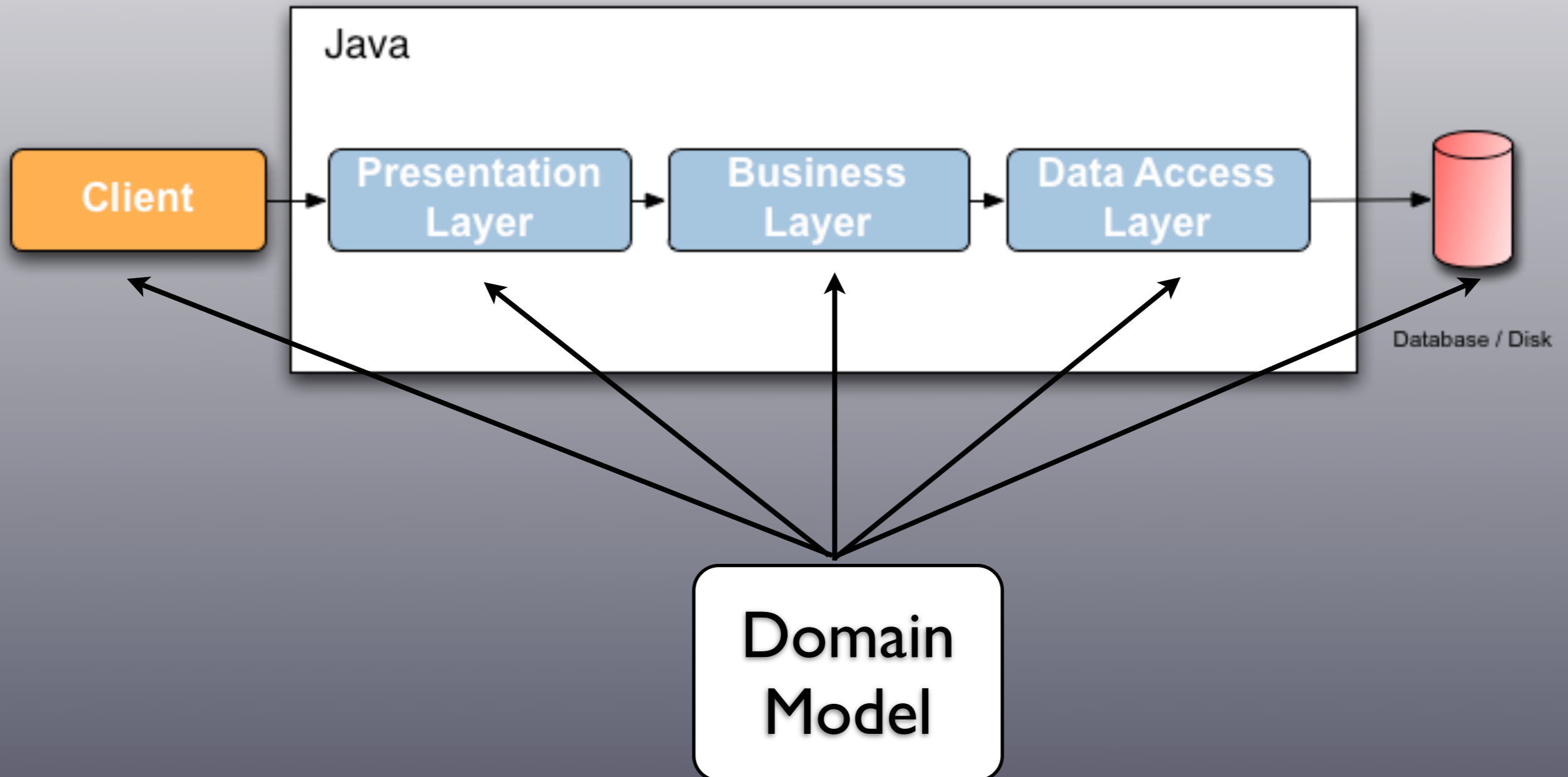
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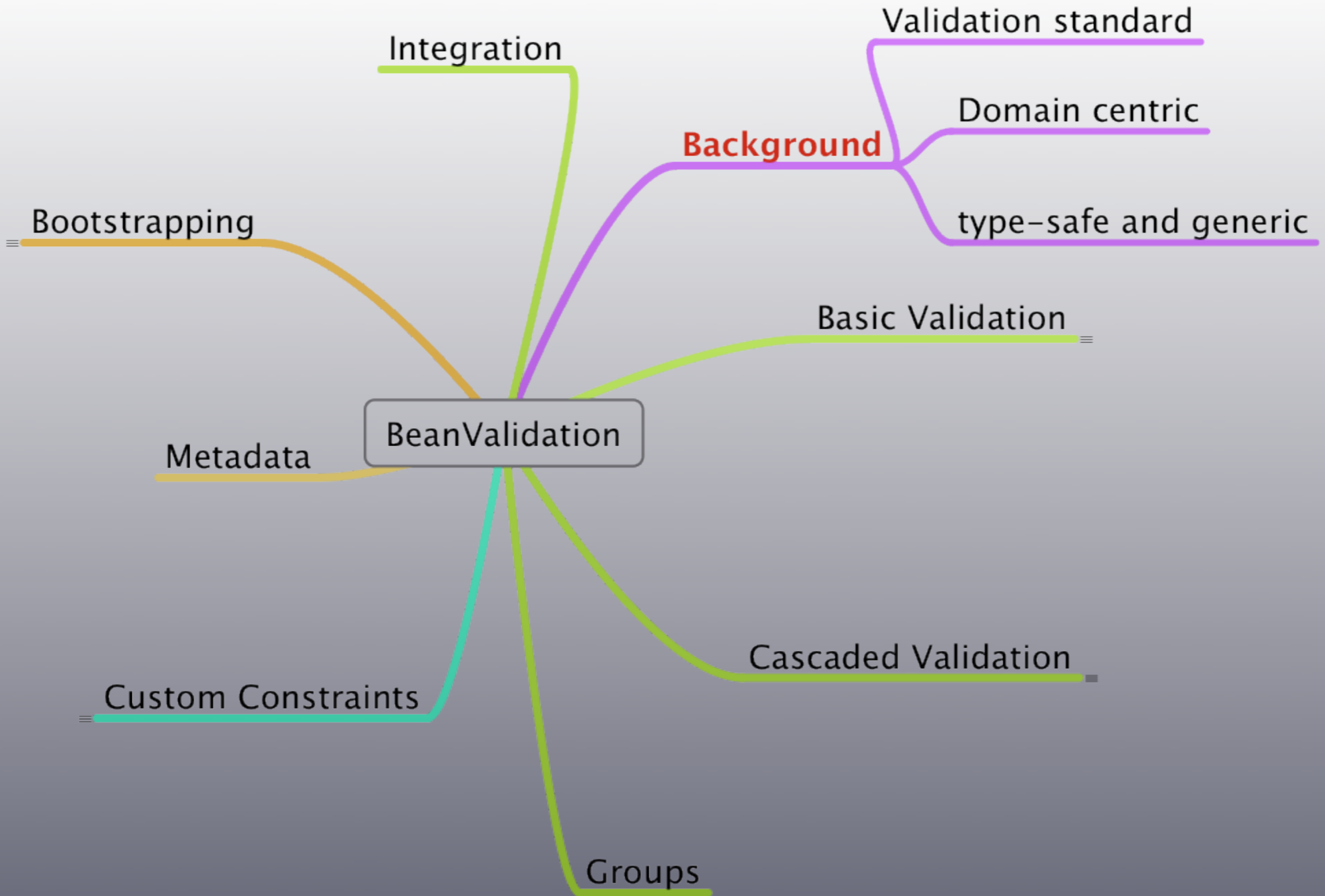


What we want

- A uniform way to express validation rules
- A standard way to check these rules
- Rules centered around domain model
- A bridge to the non Java world

JSR 303

- Introduces constraints on bean, field and property level
- Defines a type-safe and generic validation API
- Exposes powerful meta data API
- Current state - 1.0 CR3 Proposed Final Draft 2



Basic Validation



@Pattern

@Size

@Null

Declare constraint

```
5. public class SimpleEngine {
6.     @Pattern(regexp = "[A-Z0-9-]+$",
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20.          Validation.buildDefaultValidatorFactory();
21.      Validator validator = factory.getValidator();
22.
23.      Engine engine = new Engine();
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25.
26.      Set<ConstraintViolation<Engine>> constraintViolations =
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Message interpolation

- Per default messages externalized in ResourceBundle
- Message parameters in { }
- Pluggable MessageInterpolator

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@Null

@NotNull

@AssertTrue

@AssertFalse

@Min

@DecimalMin

@Max

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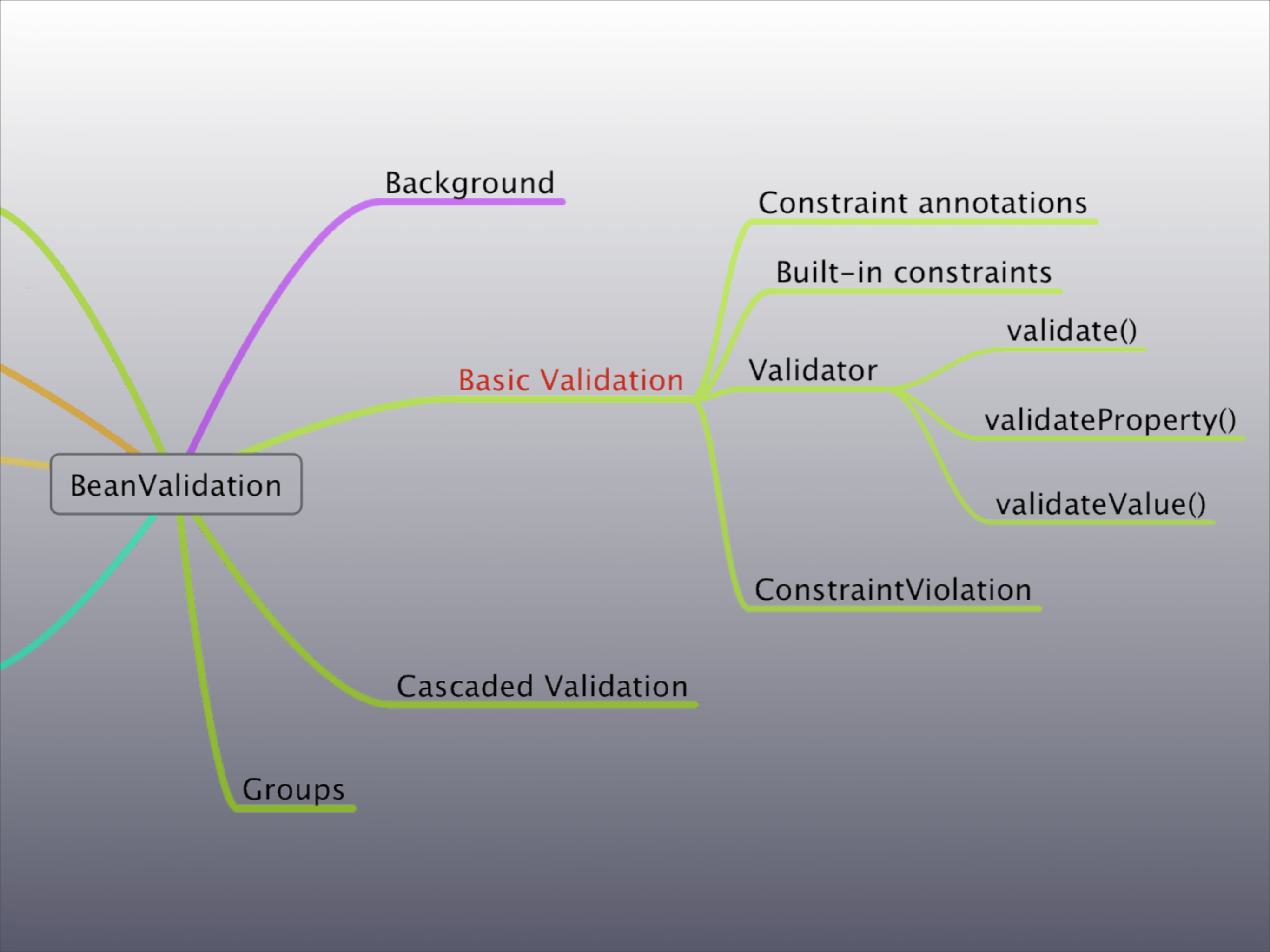
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Validator

ConstraintViolation

validate()

validateProperty()

validateValue()

Custom Constraints



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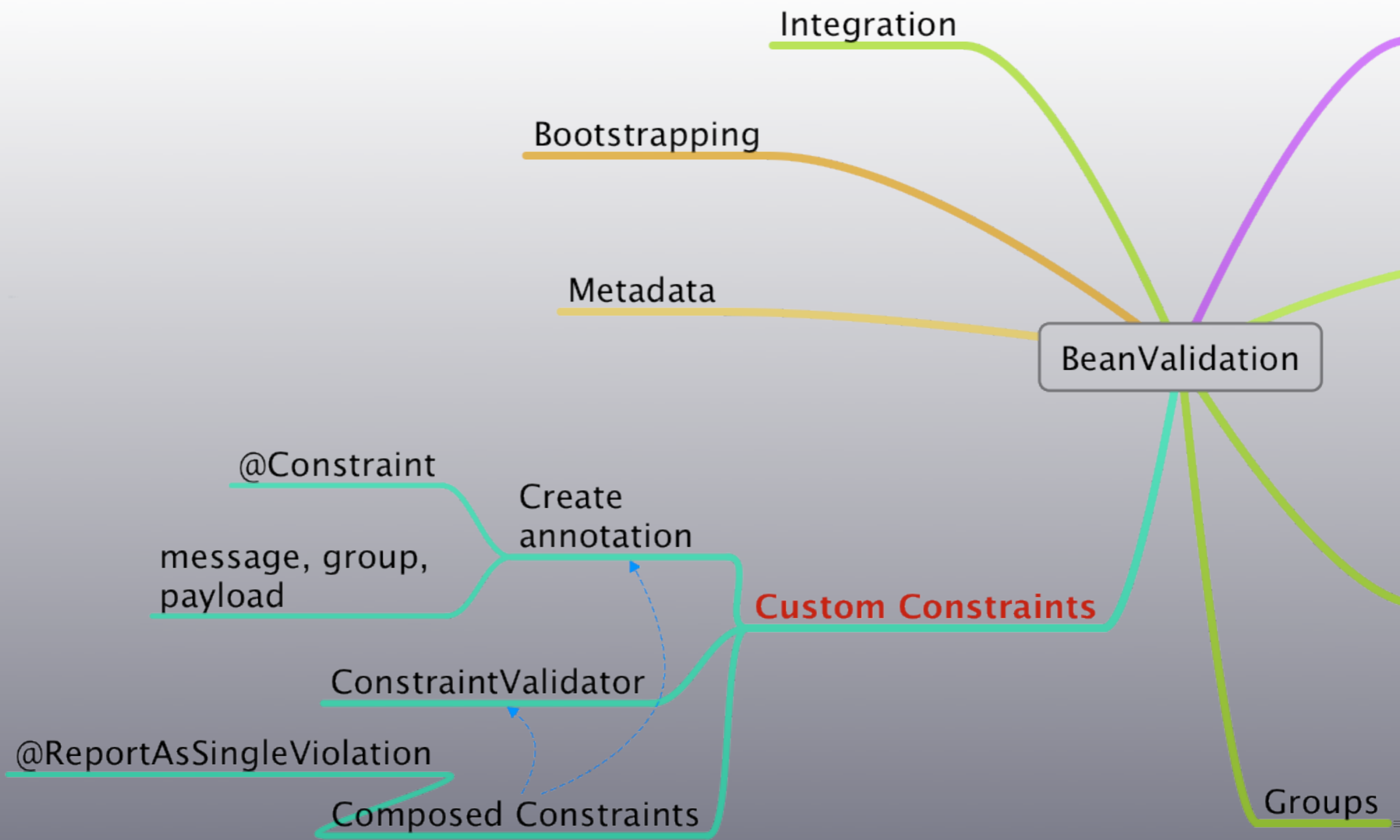
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Cascaded Validation



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10.     @NotNull
11.     private String name;
12.
13.     @Valid
14.     private List<Order> orders = new ArrayList<Order>();
15.
16.     public Customer(String name) {
17.         this.name = name;
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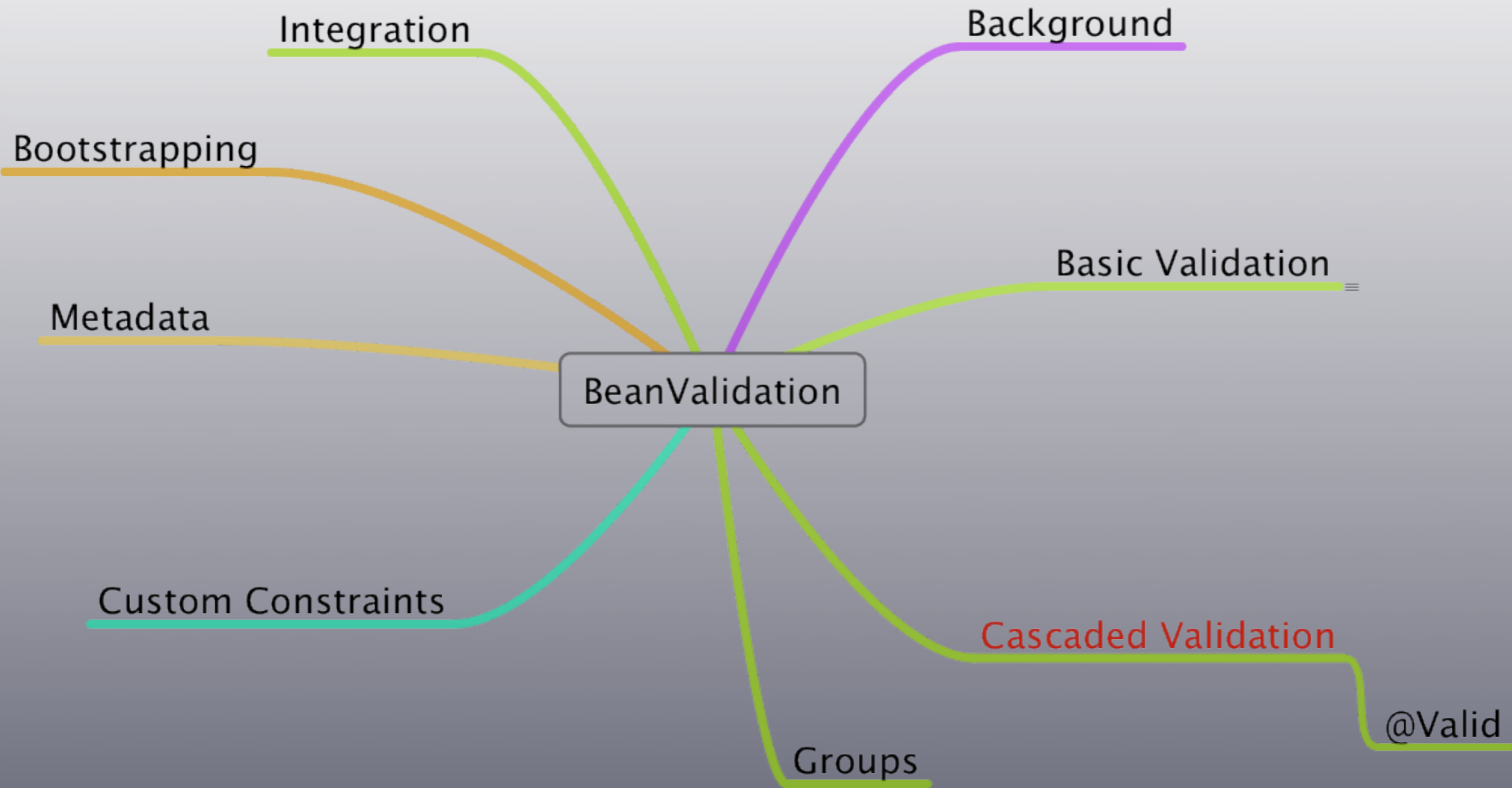
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Validation Groups



Groups

- Allow to execute constraints in logical groups (eg wizards)
- Groups are interfaces!
- Group execution order is undefined
- To enforce order use `@GroupSequence`

Specifying Groups

```
8. public class User {
9.     @NotNull
10.    private String firstname;
11.
12.    @NotNull(groups = Default.class)
13.    private String lastname;
14.
15.    @Pattern(regex = "[0-9 -]?", groups = Optional.class)
16.    private String phoneNumber;
17.
18.    @NotNull(groups = Billable.class)
19.    private CreditCard defaultCreditCard;
20.
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27. public interface BuyInOneClick {  
28. }
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Group test

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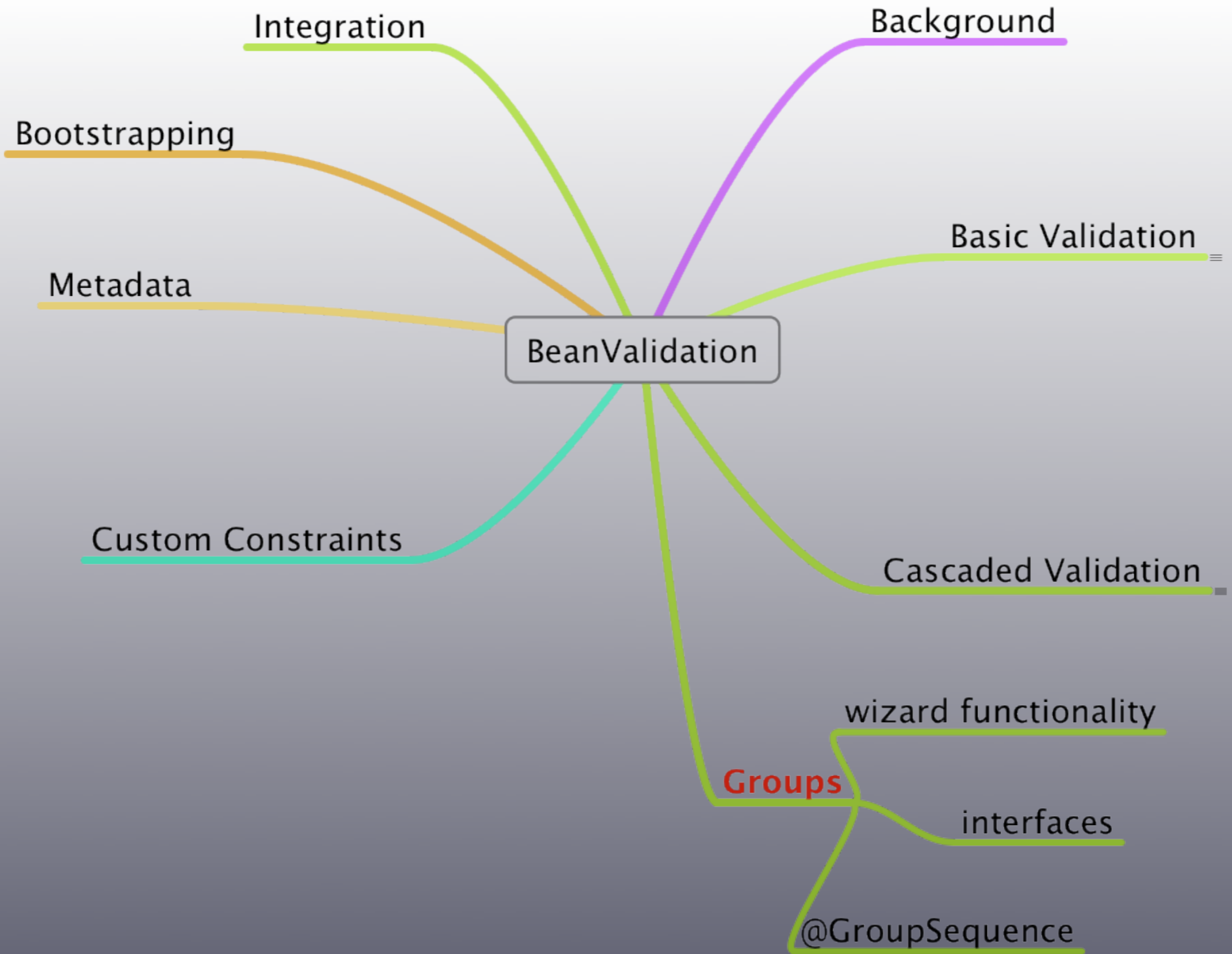
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26. assertEquals(constraintViolations.size(), 2);
27.
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29.     validator.validate(new User(), Default.class);
30. assertEquals(constraintViolations.size(), 2);
31.
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33.     validator.validate(new User(), User.Billable.class);
34. assertEquals(constraintViolations.size(), 1);
35.
36. constraintViolations = validator
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39. assertEquals(constraintViolations.size(), 3);
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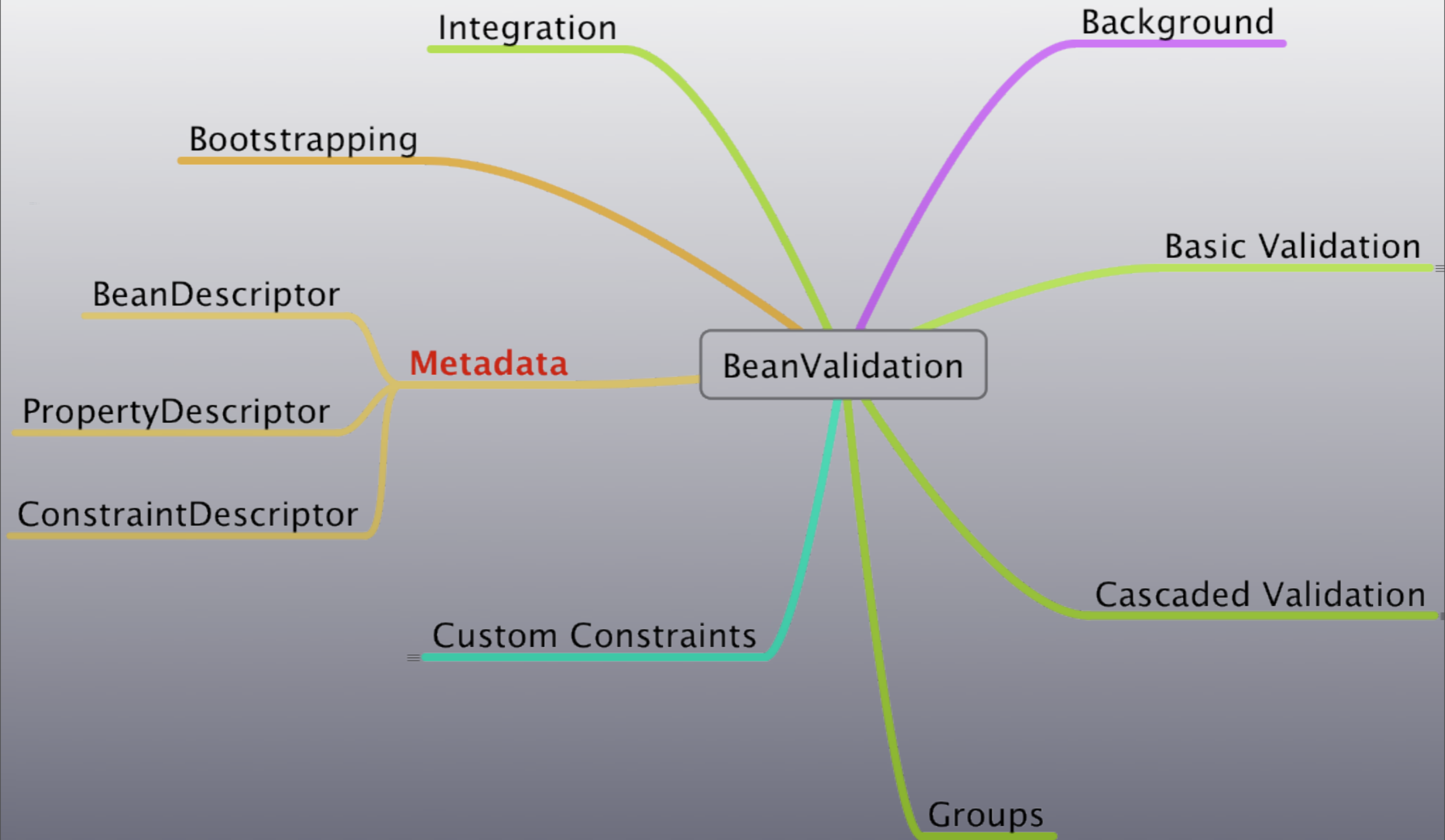



Metadata API



Metadata classes

- **BeanDescriptor**
 - ▶ `validator.getConstraintsForClass(User.class)`
- **PropertyDescriptor**
 - ▶ `beanDescr.getConstrainedProperties()`
- **ConstraintDescriptor**
 - ▶ `constraintViolation.getConstraintDescriptor()`
 - ▶ `propertyDesc.getConstraintDescriptors()`



Requirements

- Every provider must be able to bootstrap any implementation available in the classpath
- Default provider via `/META-INF/services/javax.validation.spi.ValidationProvider`

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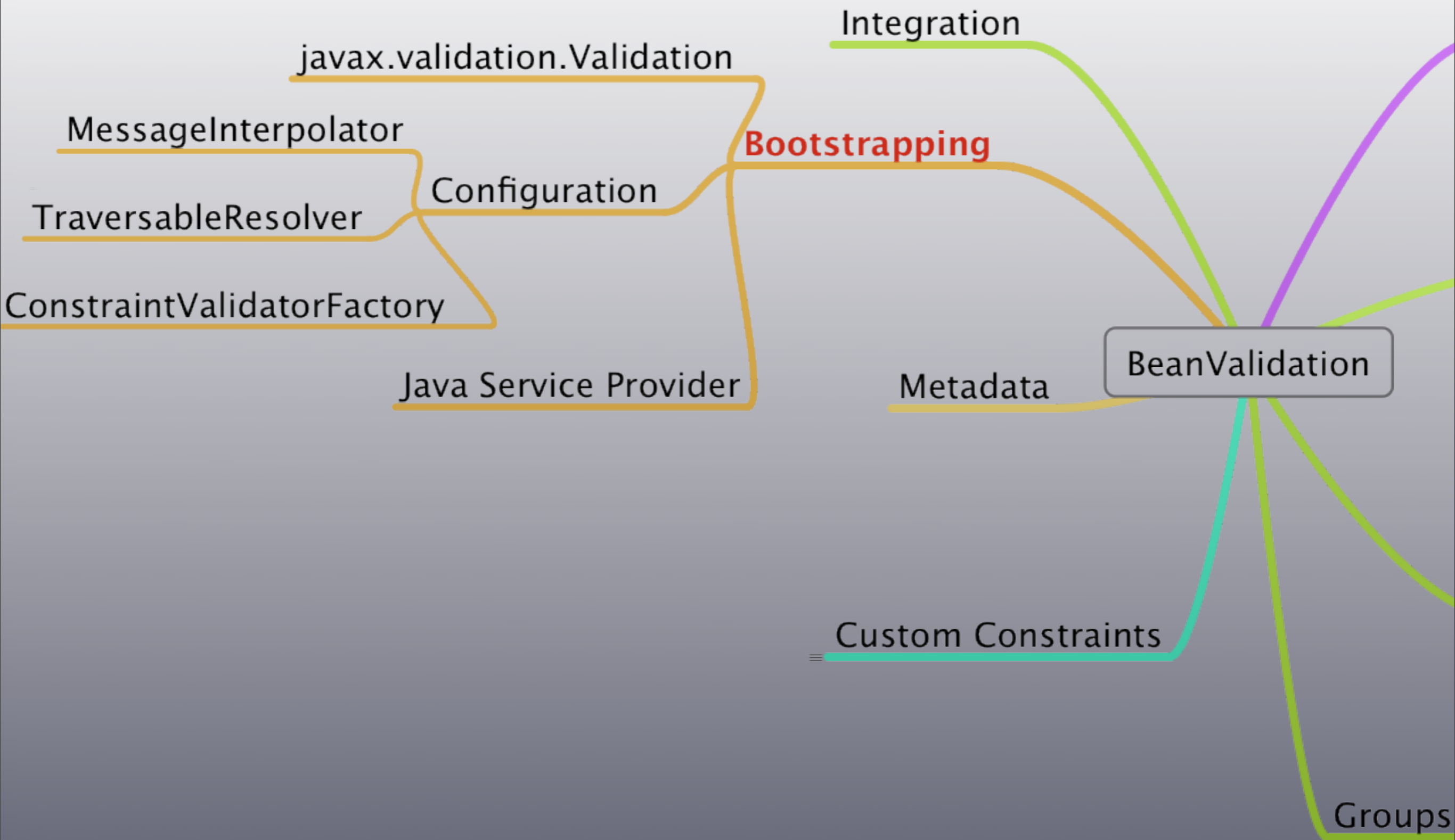
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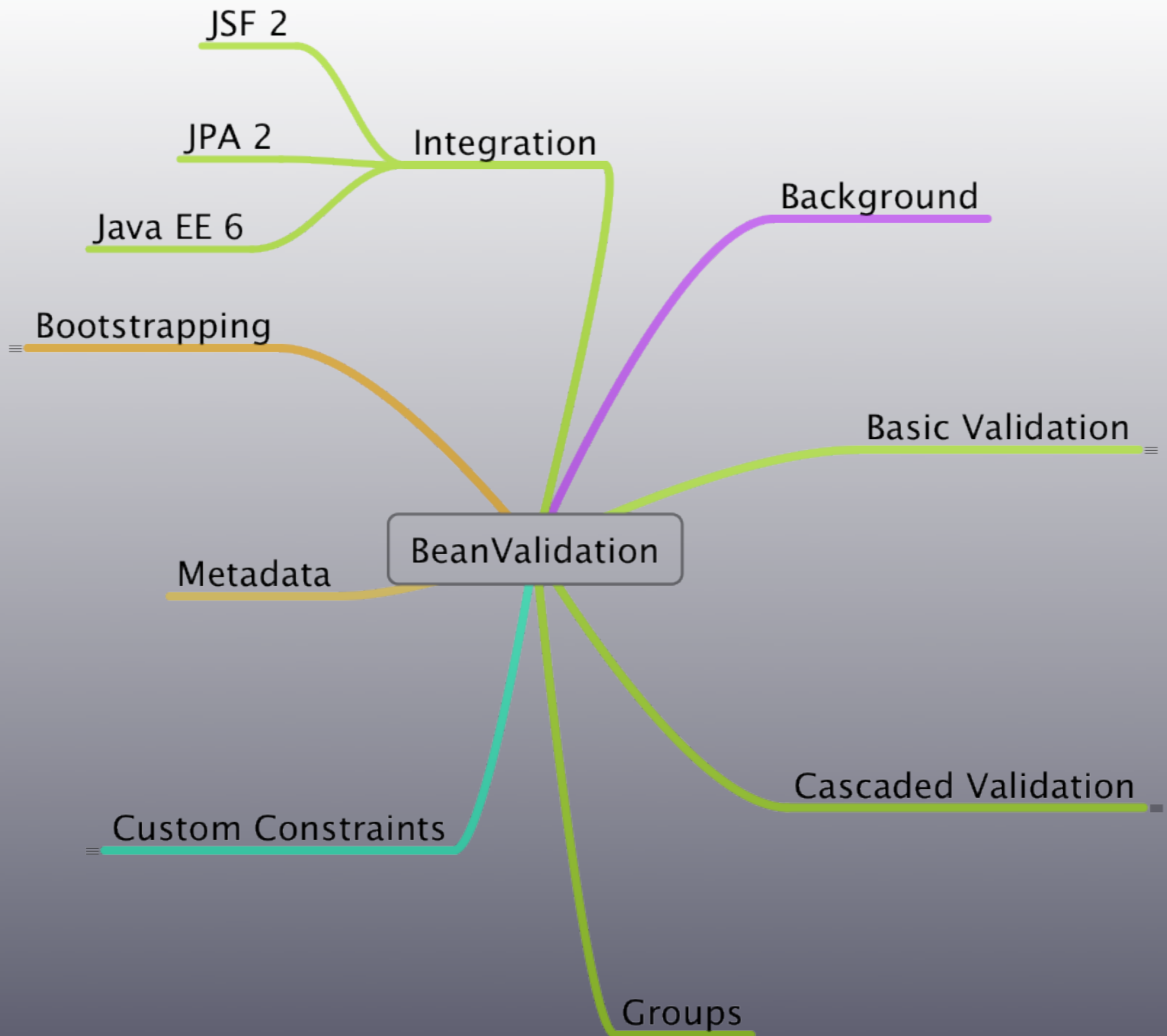
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- Validation of input components
 - Find property via EL
 - Call `Validator.validateValue` on input value
 - Return localized error message
 - Use JSF Locale

JPA 2

- Validation on entity change
- Make use of TraversableResolver

Java EE 6

- Validator as injectable resource
- Integrated in JBoss 5.2



More Info

- <http://validator.hibernate.org>
- <http://in.relation.to>
- <http://forum.hibernate.org/viewforum.php?f=9>
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