Mocking in Oracle PL/SQL
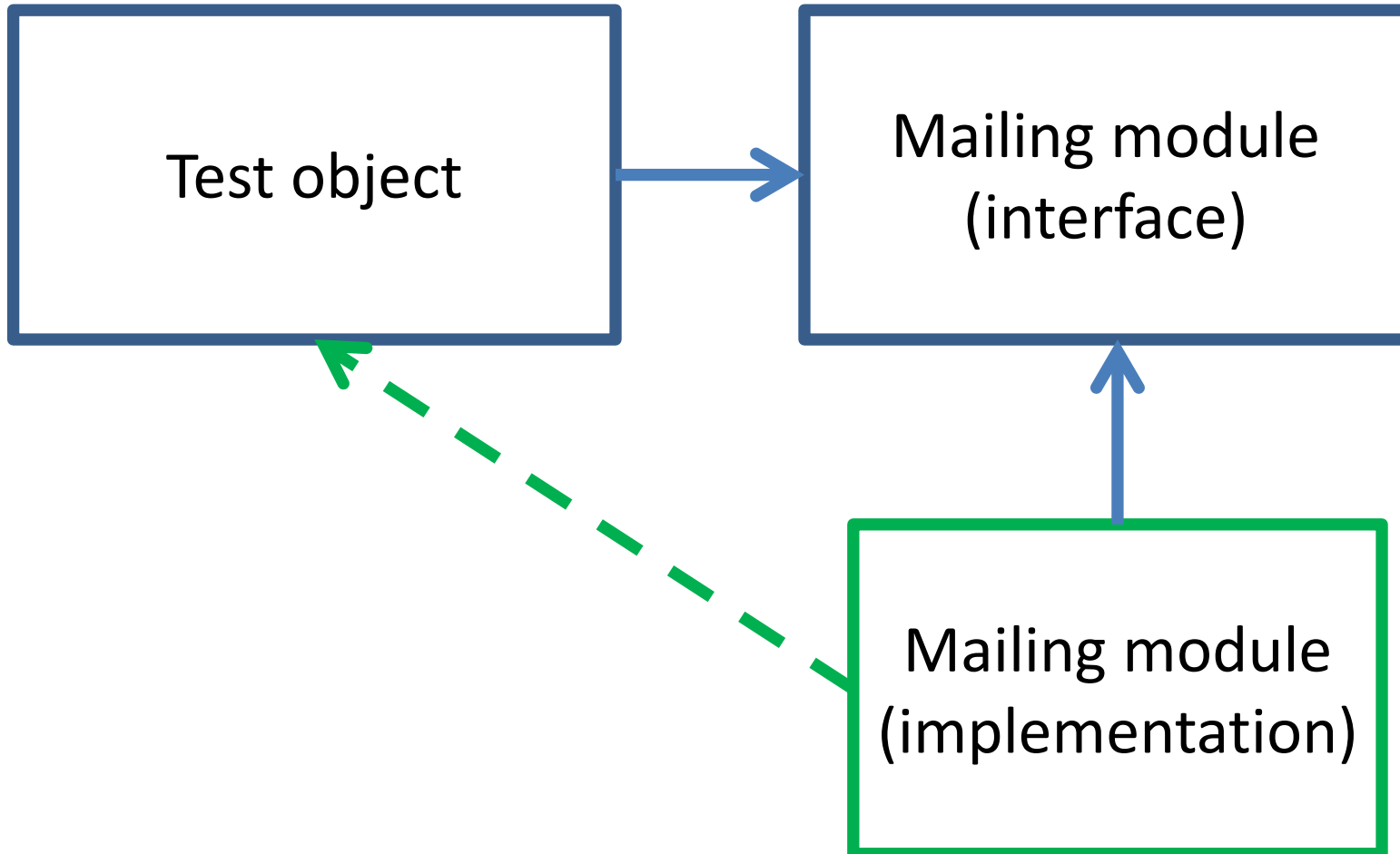
IT Lighting Talks

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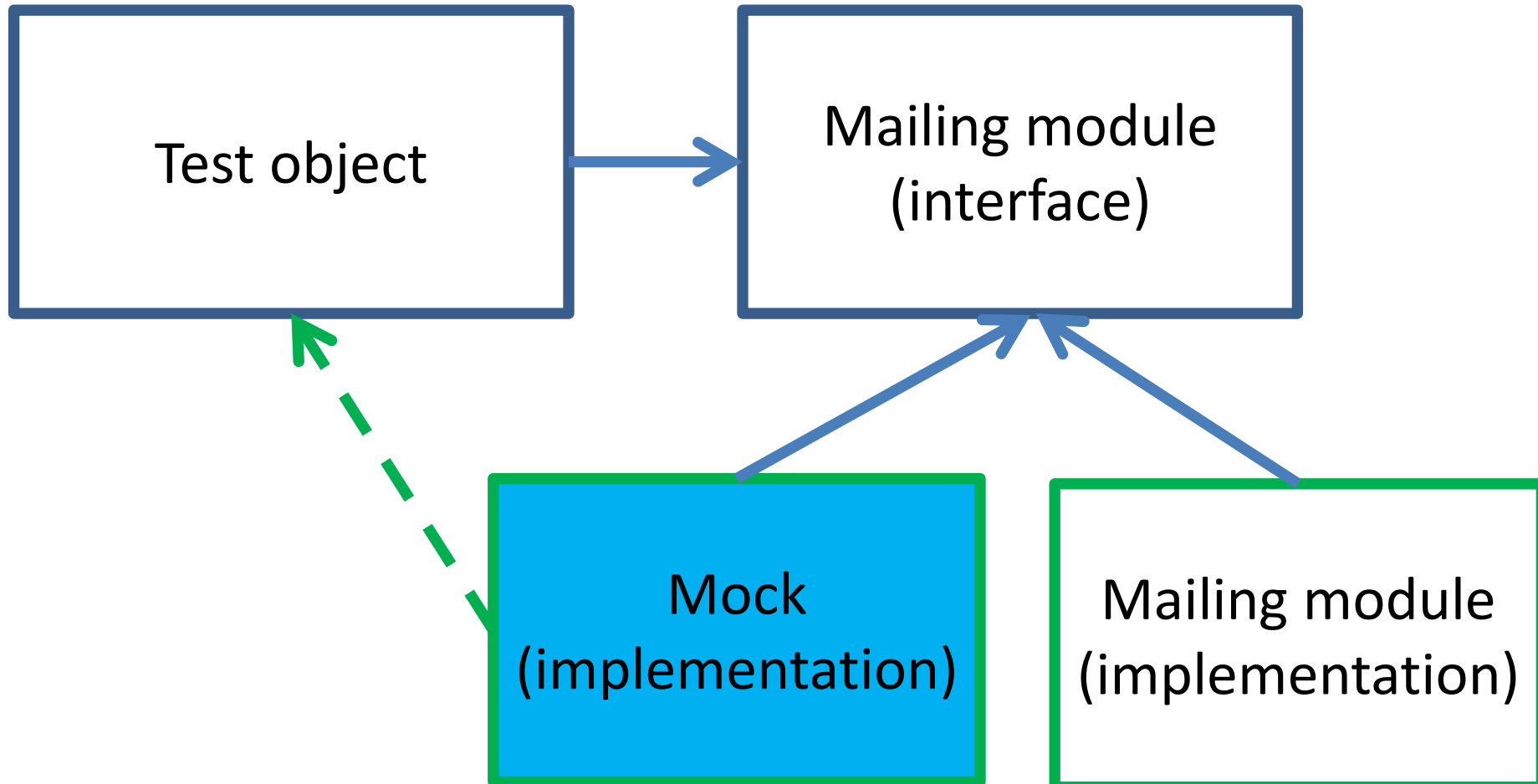
Mocking – what is this

Test object	→	Mailing module
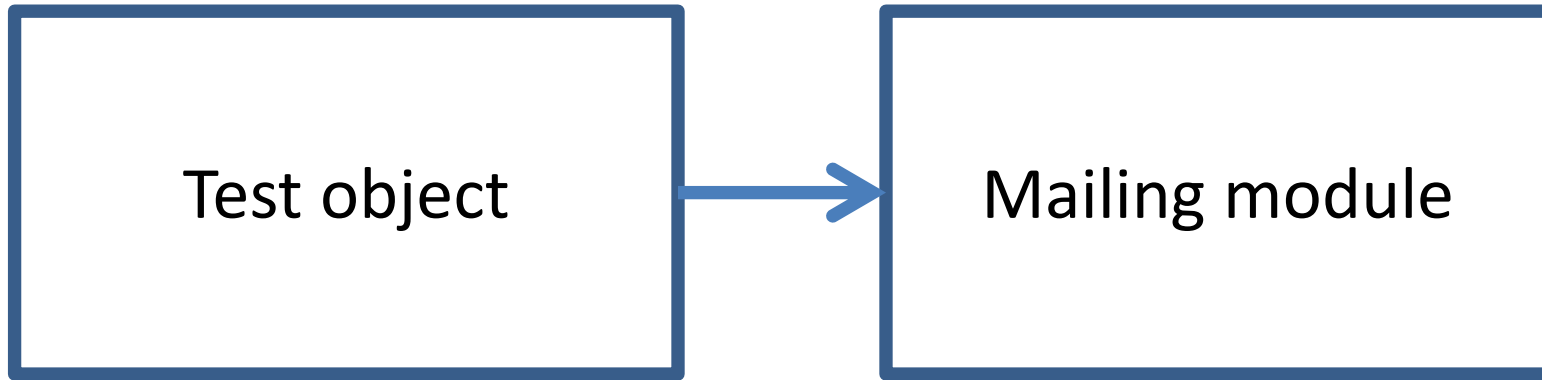
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No official support for mocking @Oracle DB

But…
Possible through versioning!

Versioning @Oracle DB

Object A

Object A version 1

Object A version 2

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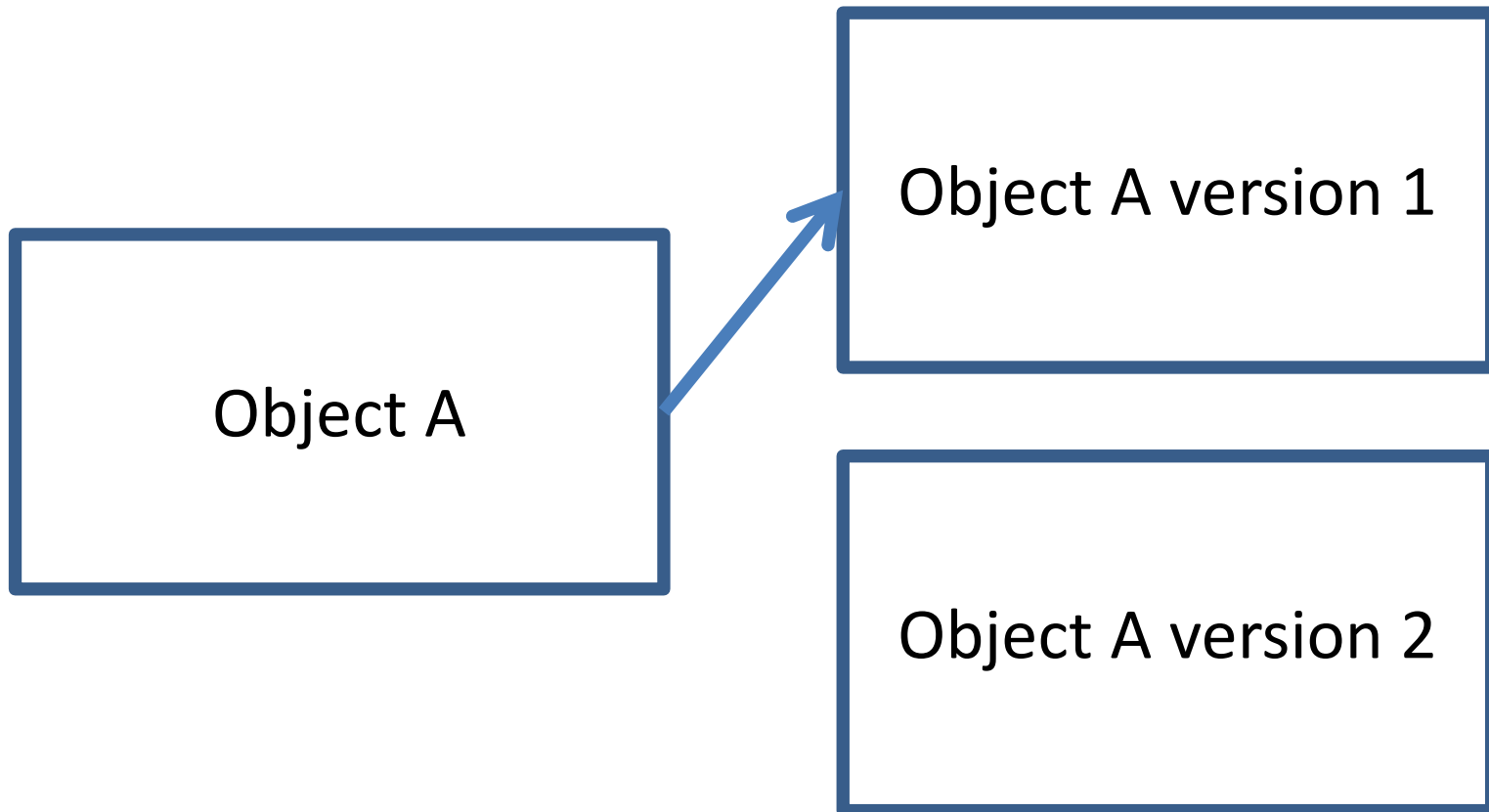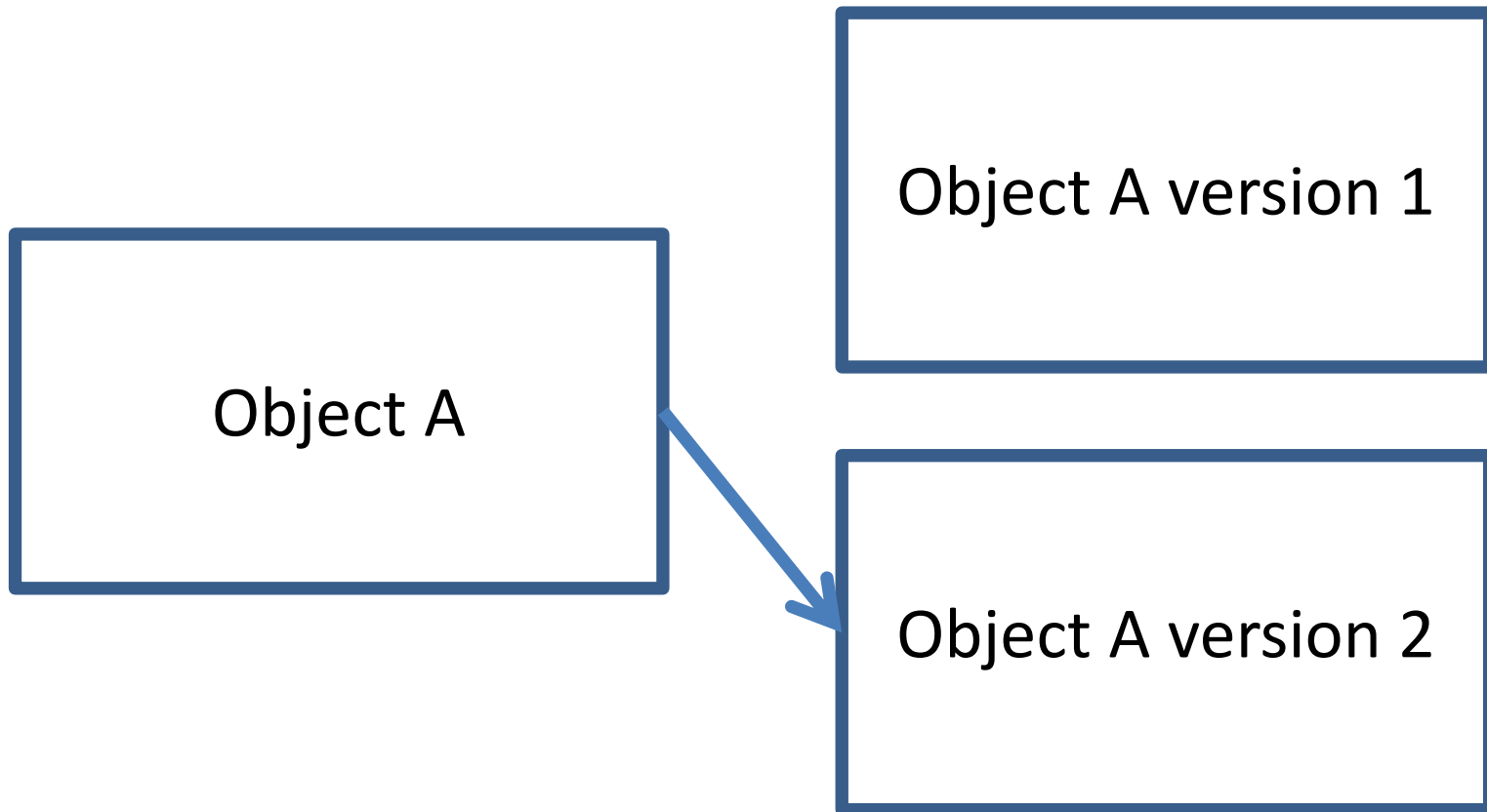
Edition-Based Redefinition – how to

- Prerequisites:
  - ALTER USER user_name ENABLE EDITIONS
  - GRANT CREATE EDITION
- Version is chosen PER SESSION
  - not affecting others!

Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE mailing_module IS
  2     PROCEDURE send_mail(address VARCHAR2, subject VARCHAR2, body VARCHAR2);
  END mailing_module;
  4  /

Package created.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL>
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Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

```
CREATE PROCEDURE test_object IS
  BEGIN
  mailing_module.send_mail('foo','bar','baz');
  END test_object;
  5  /

Procedure created.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL>
```

Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

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```
mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL> CREATE EDITION mock_version;

Edition created.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL> ALTER SESSION SET EDITION=mock_version;

Session altered.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL>
```

Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY mailing_module IS
  PROCEDURE send_mail(address VARCHAR2, subject VARCHAR2, body VARCHAR2) IS
    BEGIN
  4         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am pure mock, NOT sending mail!');
    END send_mail;
  END mailing_module;
  7  /

Package body created.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL>
```

Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

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```
mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL> ALTER SESSION SET EDITION=ORA$BASE;

Session altered.

mocking_test@ITCORE:SQL>
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Edition-Based Redefinition continuation

Summary

No excuses from writing tests in PL/SQL anymore!