

# Go microservices

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**Who are you??**

# Go

Purpose-built for writing servers in big teams;  
seemingly a **perfect match** for microservices.

# Microservices

**Solve** organizational problems &  
**Cause** technical problems

# Definitions

# Size

A **single programmer** can design, implement,  
deploy and maintain a microservice.

*—Fred George*

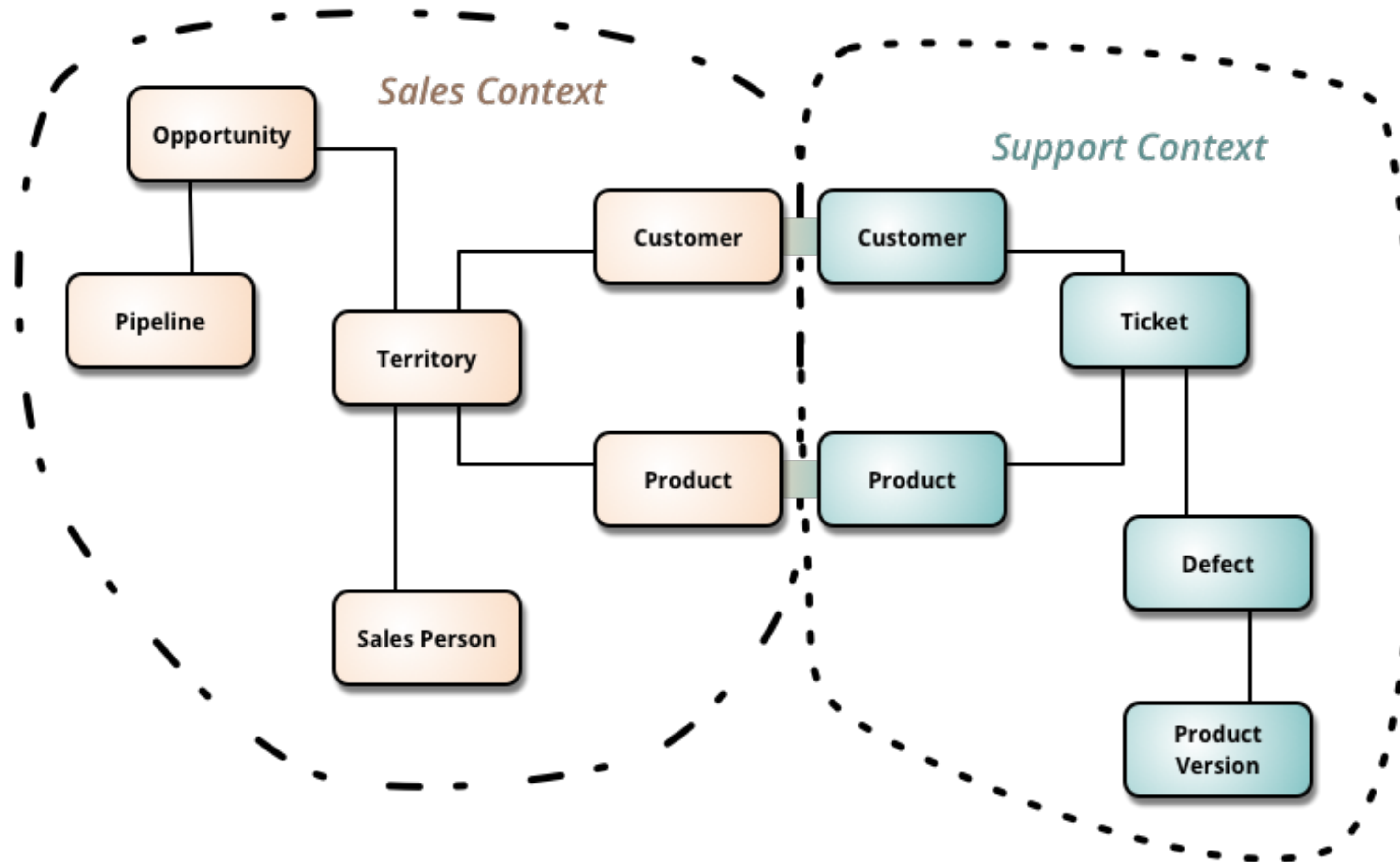
Software that **fits in your head.**

*—Dan North*

# Data

A microservice implements a single  
**Bounded Context** (from DDD)  
—*Martin Fowler, Sam Newman*

A single logical **database per service**.  
—*Chris Richardson*





# Operation

Microservices built & deployed **independently**.

**Stateless**, with state as backing services.

— *12Factor.net*

Addressable through a **service discovery** system.

— *Chris Richardson*

# The landscape

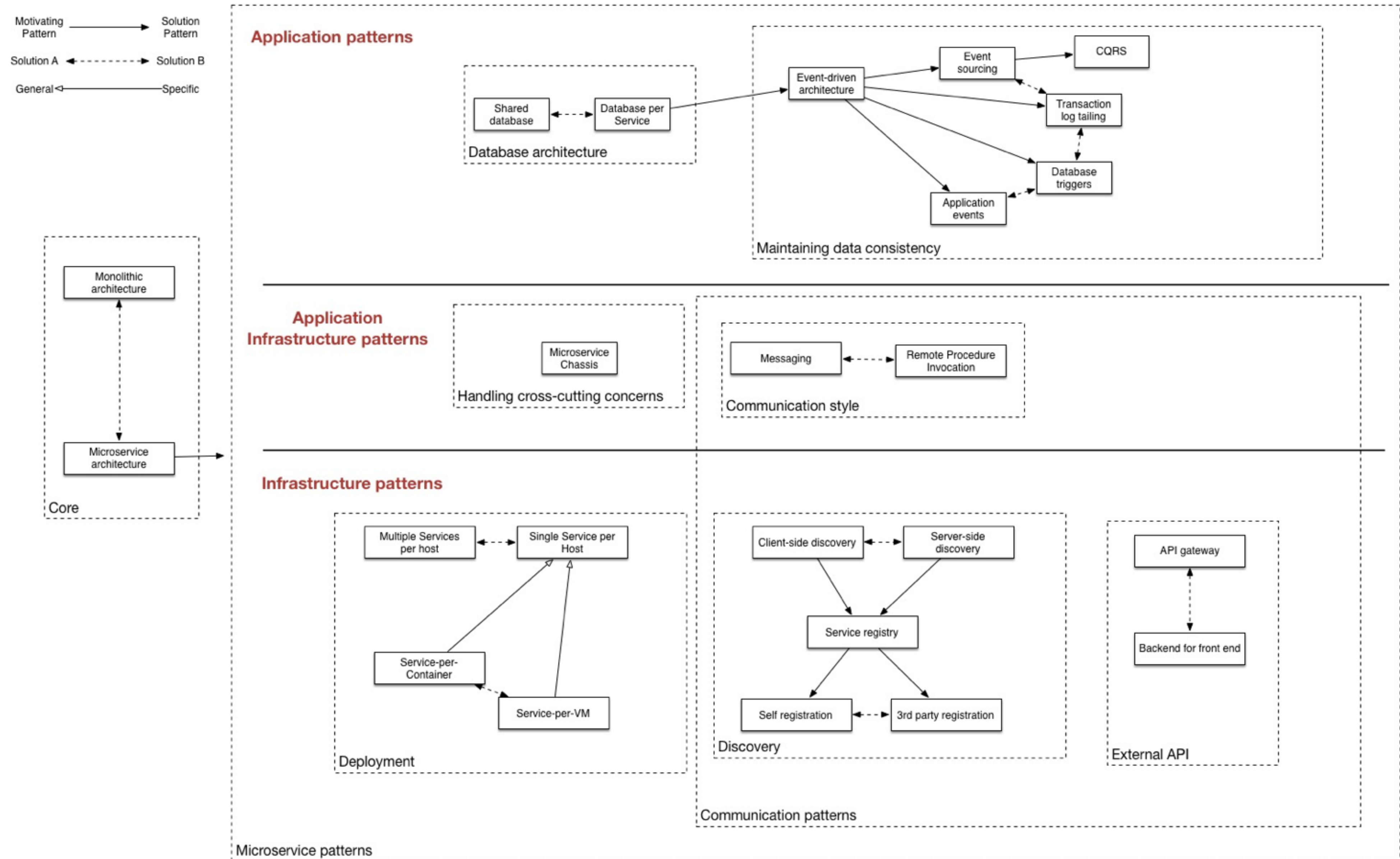


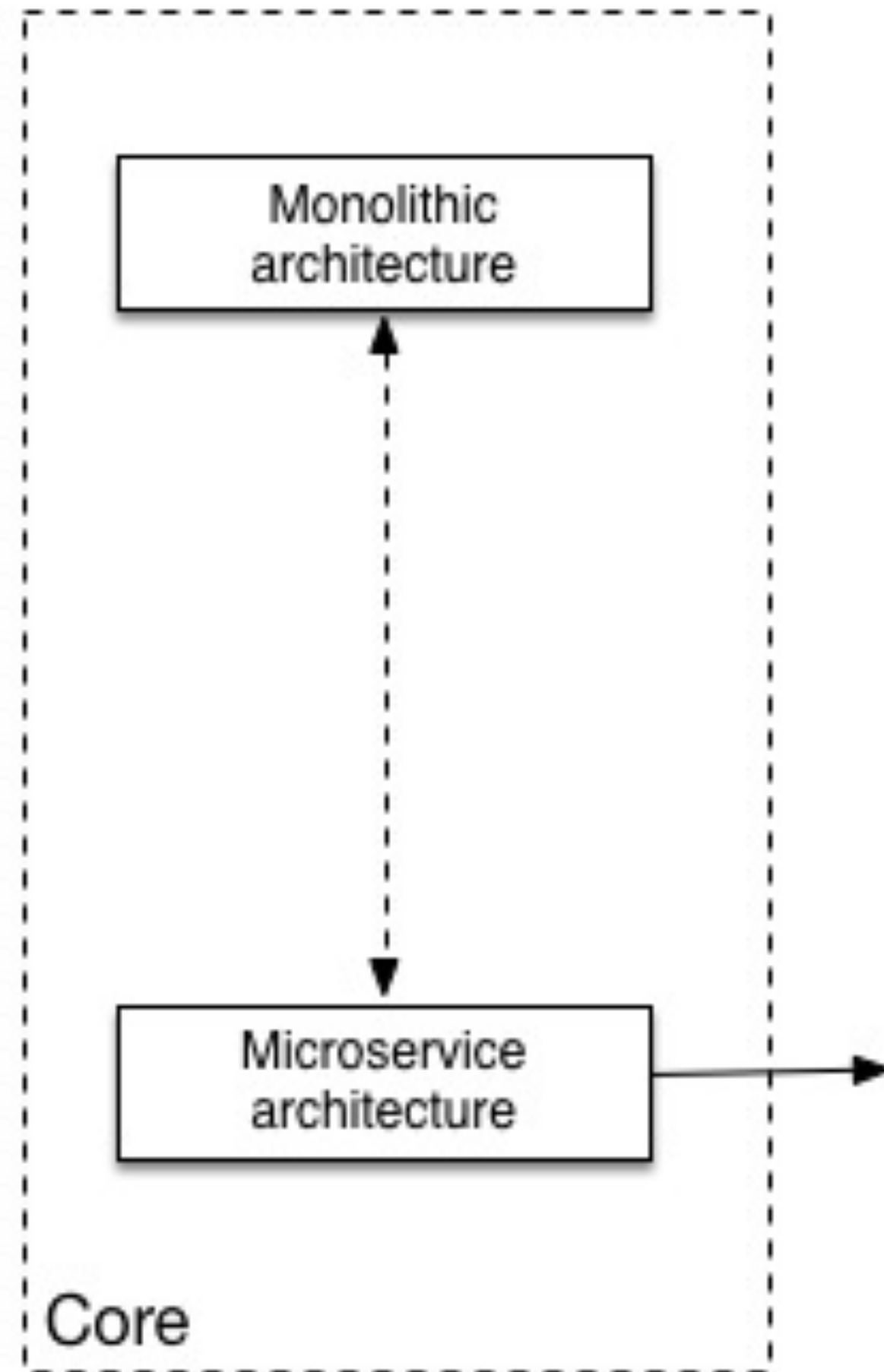
# What's a pattern?

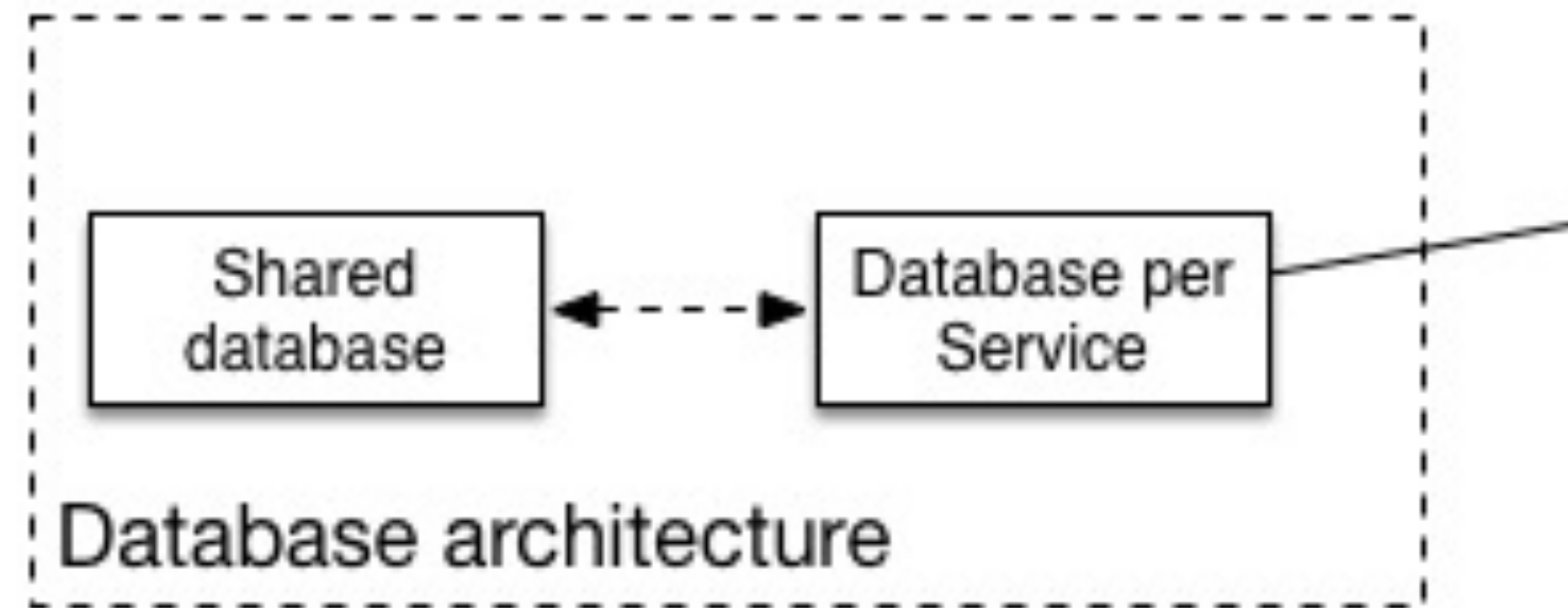


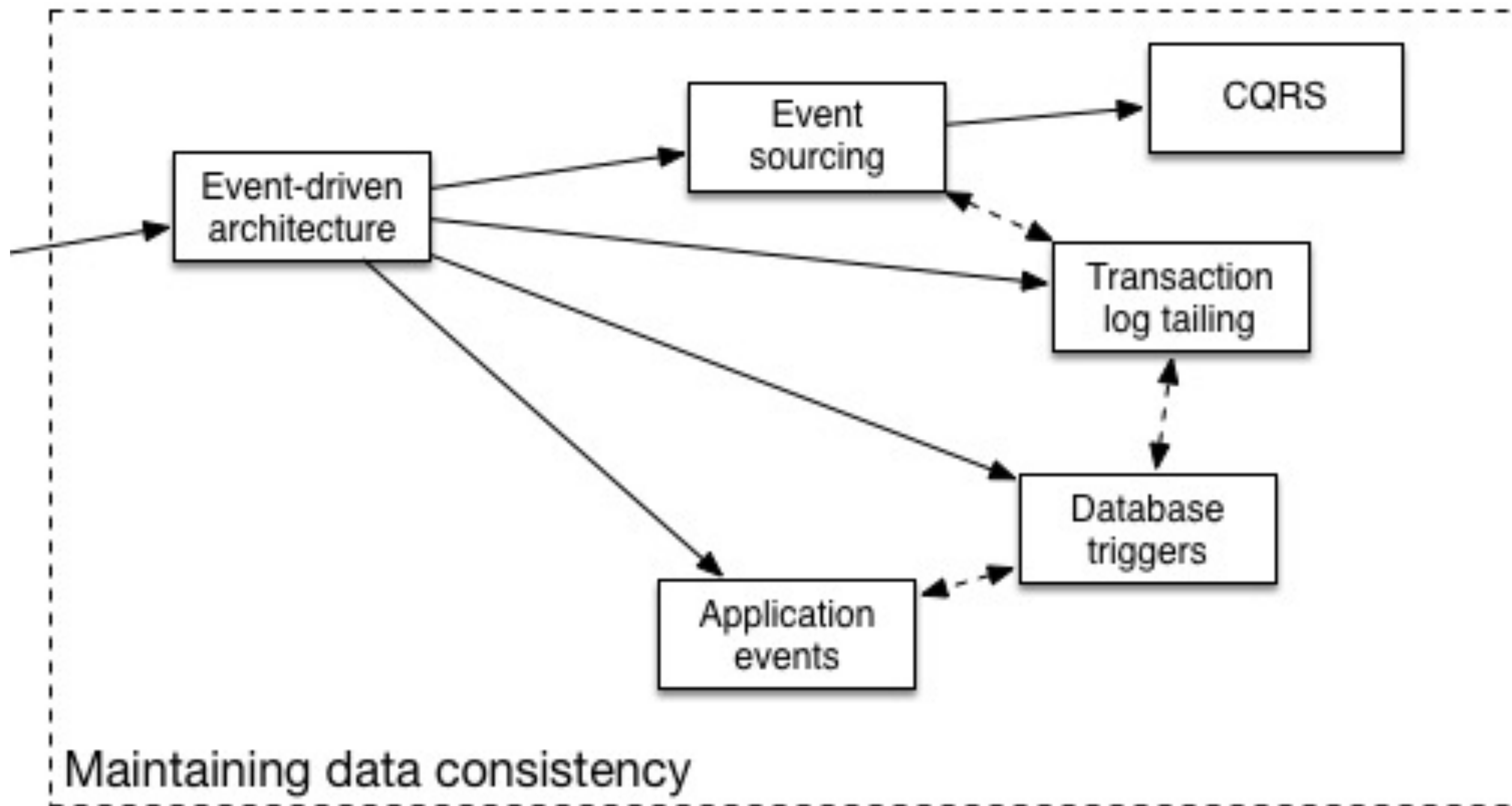
Reusable **solution**  
to a **problem**  
occurring  
in a particular **context**

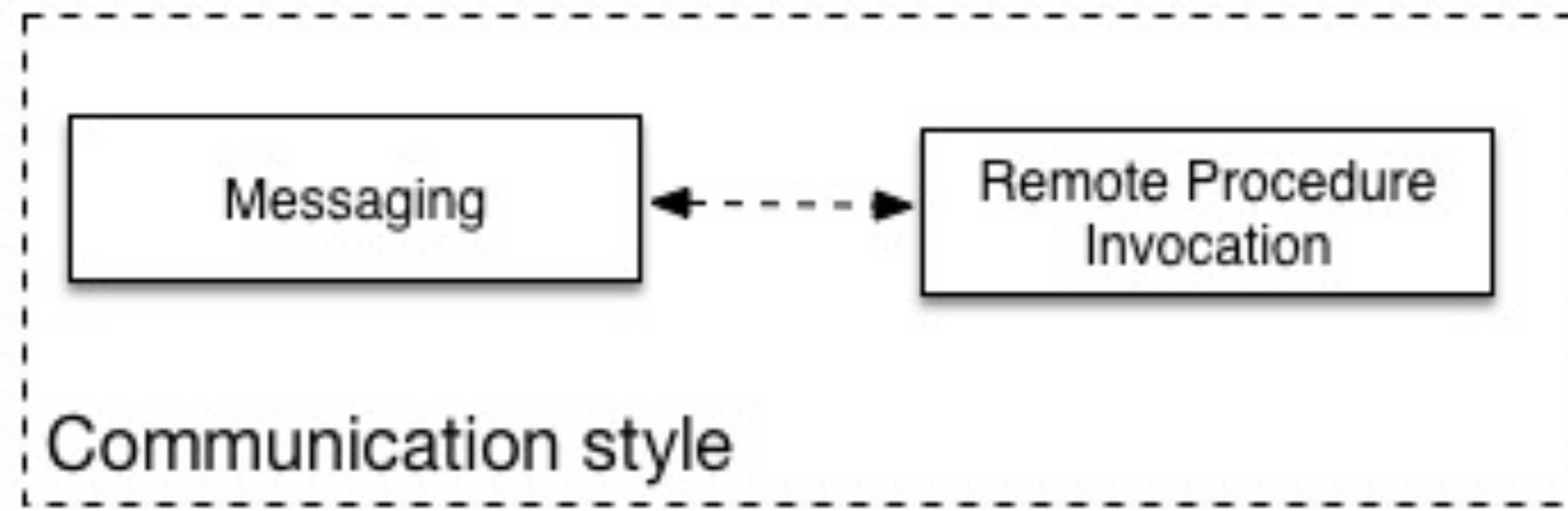




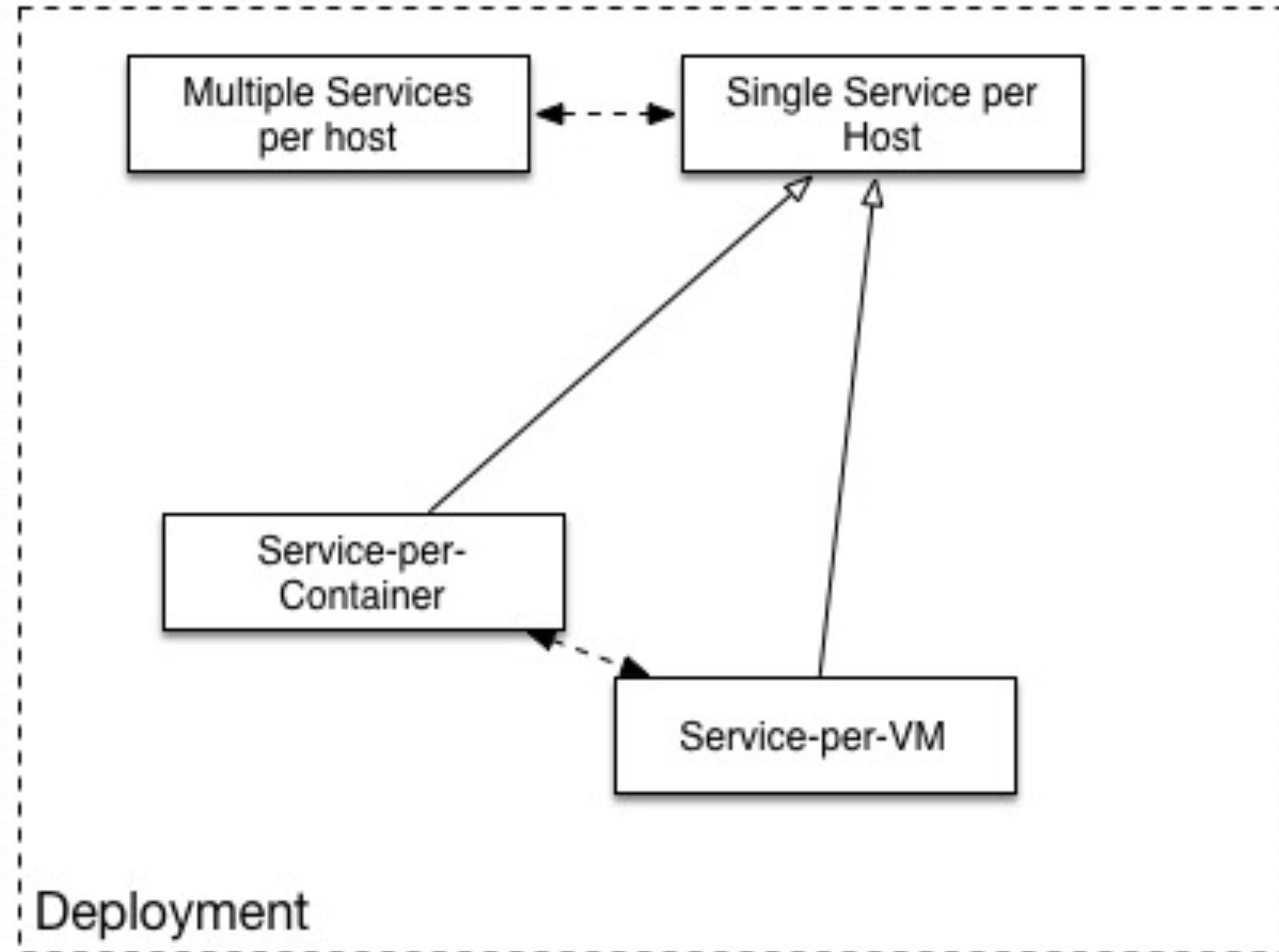


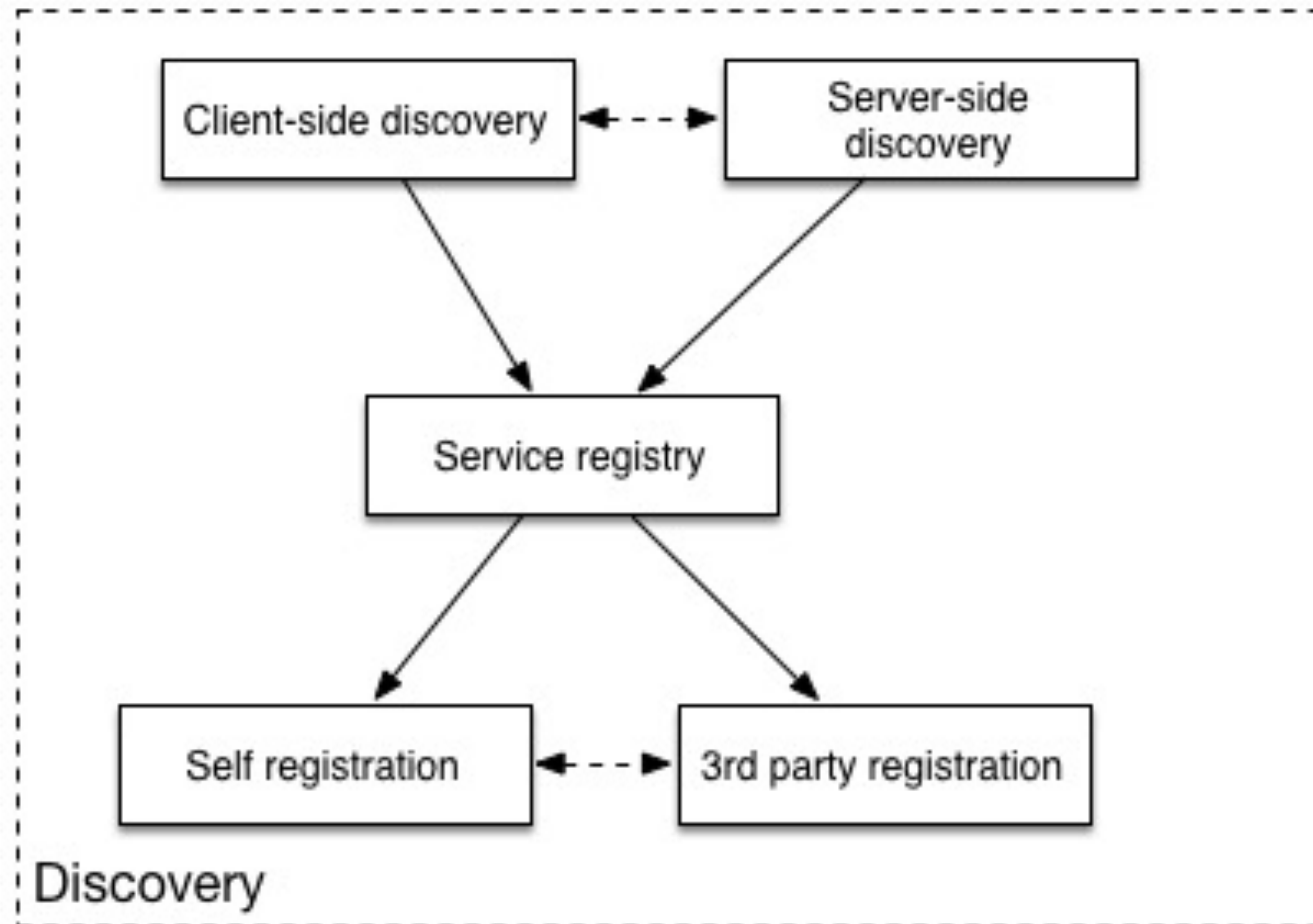


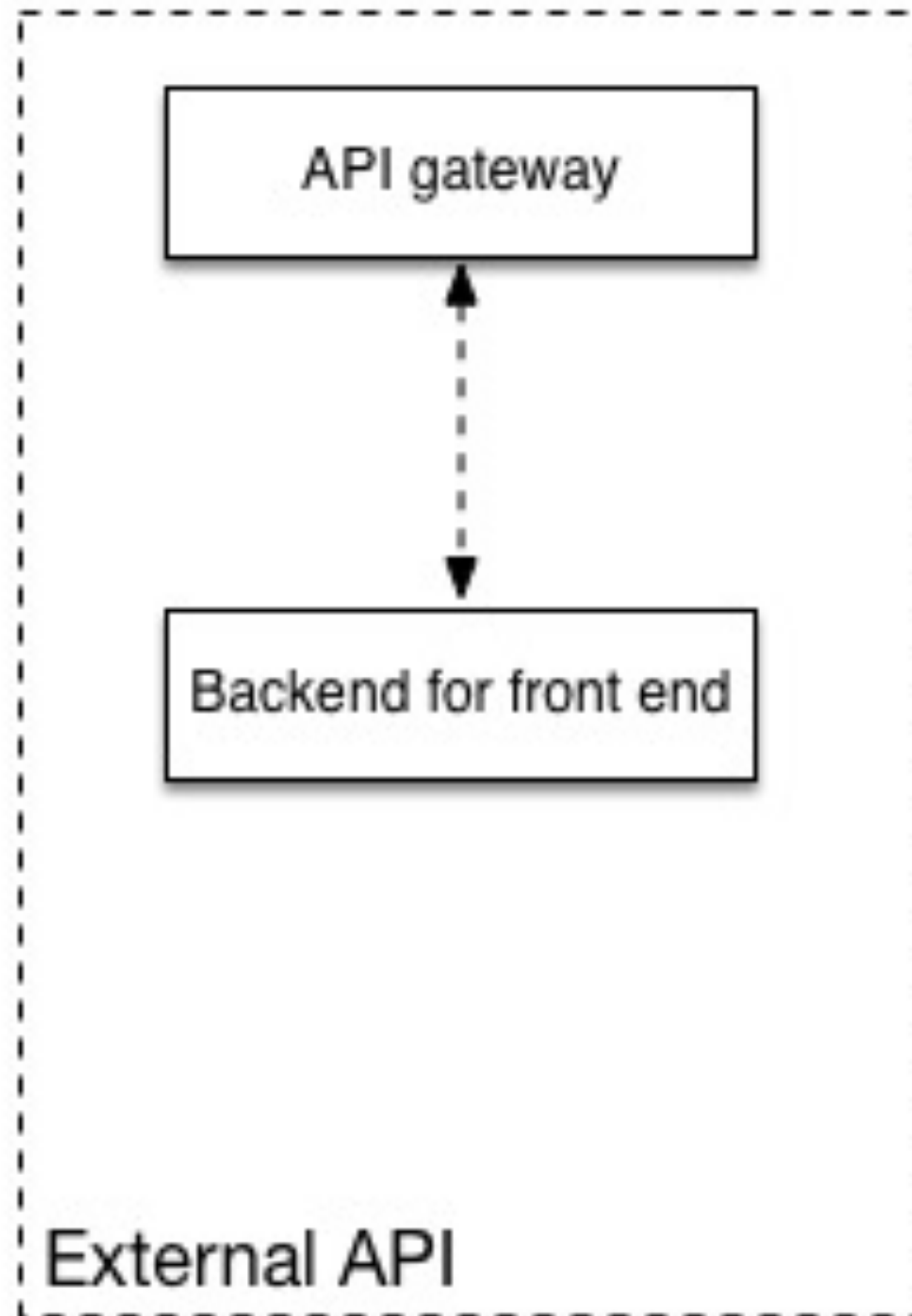


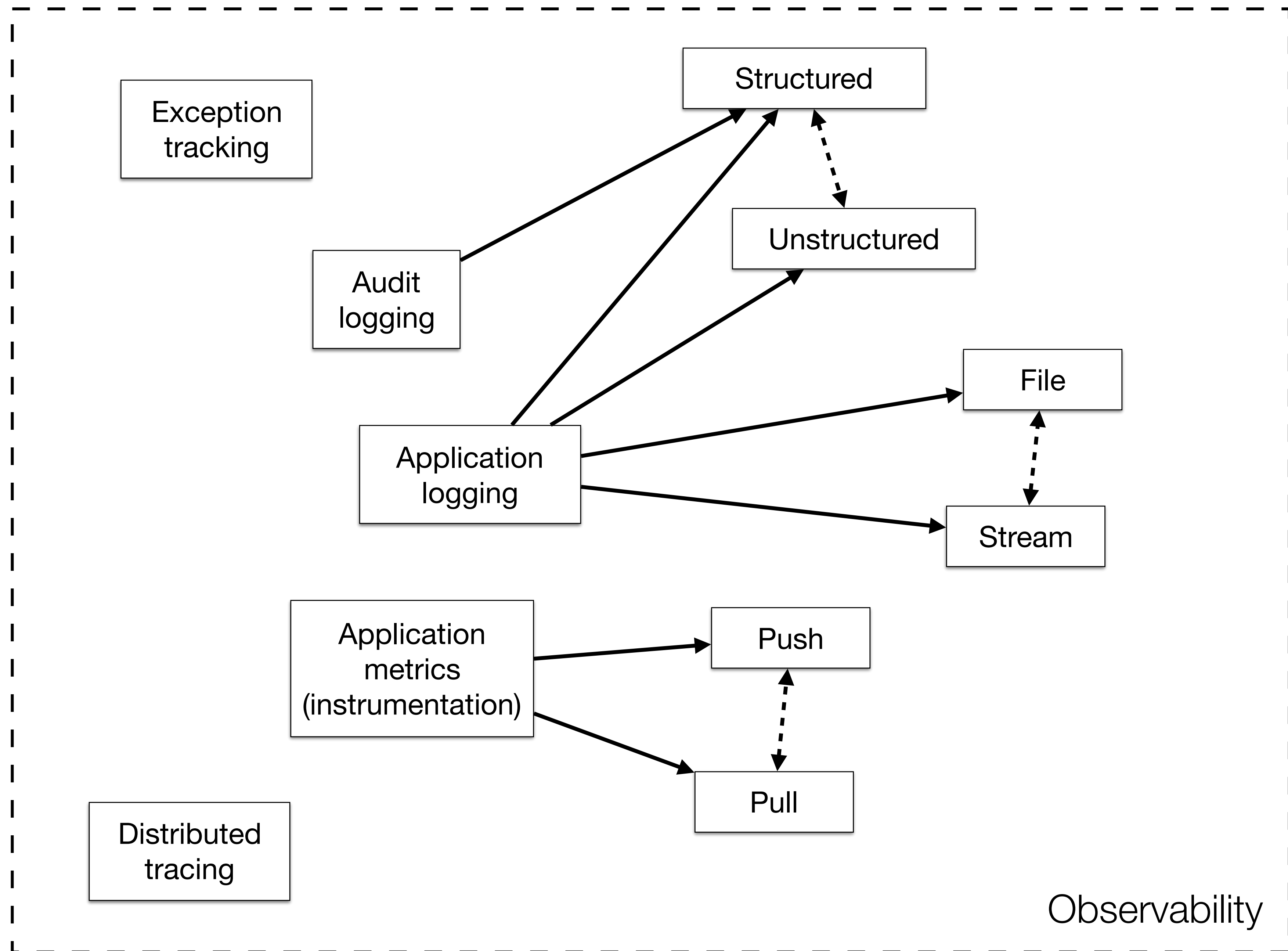












# Resilience

# Fallacies of distributed computing

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From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

## The fallacies [\[ edit \]](#)

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The [fallacies](#) are:<sup>[1]</sup>

1. The [network](#) is reliable.
2. [Latency](#) is zero.
3. [Bandwidth](#) is infinite.
4. The network is [secure](#).
5. [Topology](#) doesn't change.
6. There is one [administrator](#).
7. Transport cost is zero.
8. The network is homogeneous.

# Concerns

- Monitoring: metrics, instrumentation
- Logging: application logging, event sourcing, audit trail
- Circuit breaking
- Rate limiting (ingress and egress)
- Timeouts and retry strategies (e.g. budget)
- Security: auth, crypto (in-motion and at-rest)





# Antifragile Software

Building Adaptable Software  
with **Microservices**



**Russ Miles**

Grant Tarrant-Fisher  
Sylvain Hellegouarch

# Go microservices

Toward some kind of software engineering

Transport

Service registration

Load balancing

**Business logic**

Metrics

Circuit breaking

Service discovery

Rate limiting

Logging

Distributed tracing

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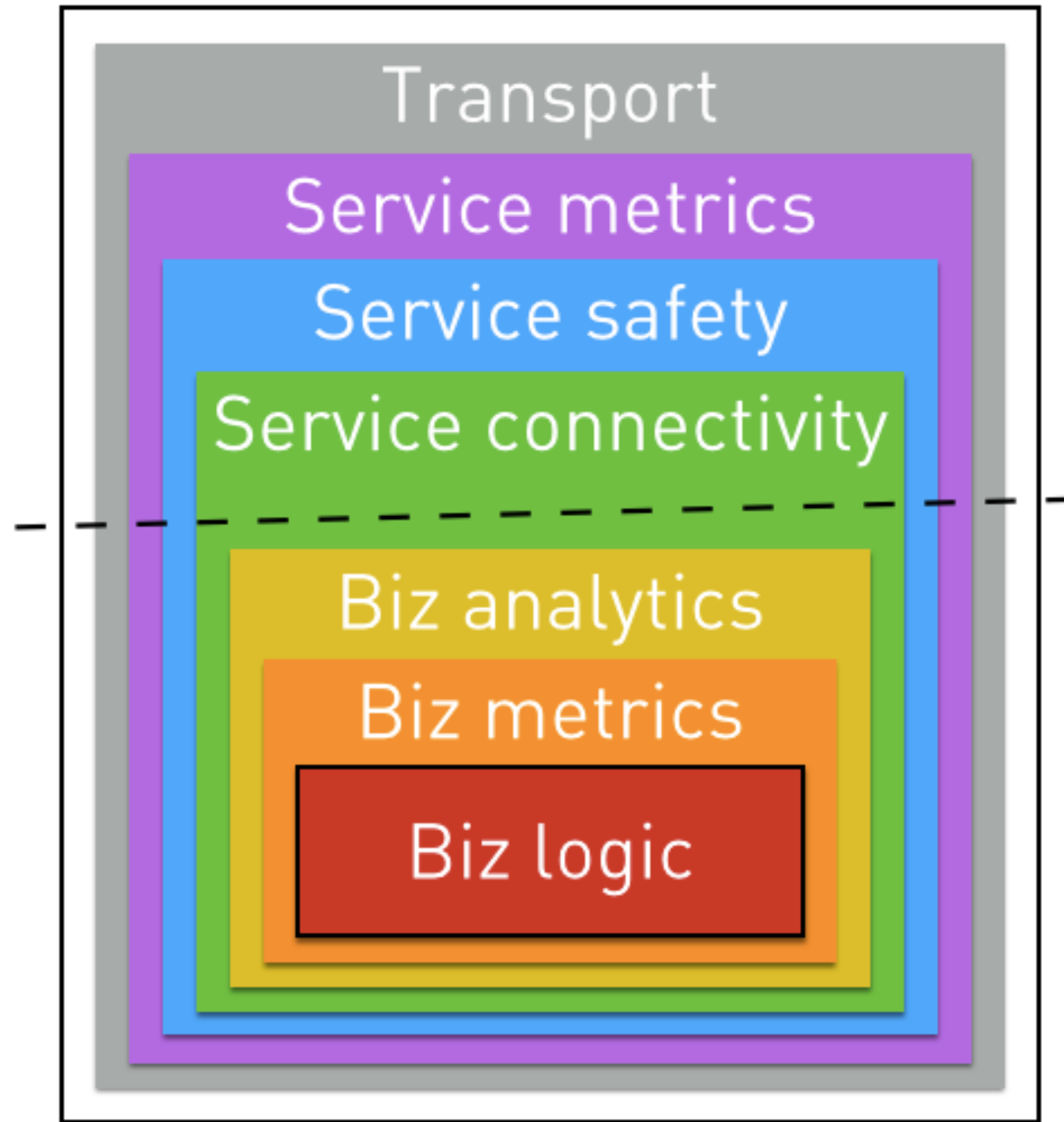
Service registration  
Service discovery  
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**Business logic**

- | Service registration
- | Service discovery
- | Load balancing

- | Metrics
- | Logging
- | Distributed tracing



**Programming time**

# Logging

Harder (more expensive) than it seems



# Instrumentation

Easier (cheaper) than it seems

# Scaffolding

# THE ANATOMY OF DOMAIN-DRIVEN DESIGN

BY SCOTT MILLETT

Complexity in software is the result of inherent domain complexity (essential) mixing with technical complexity (accidental).

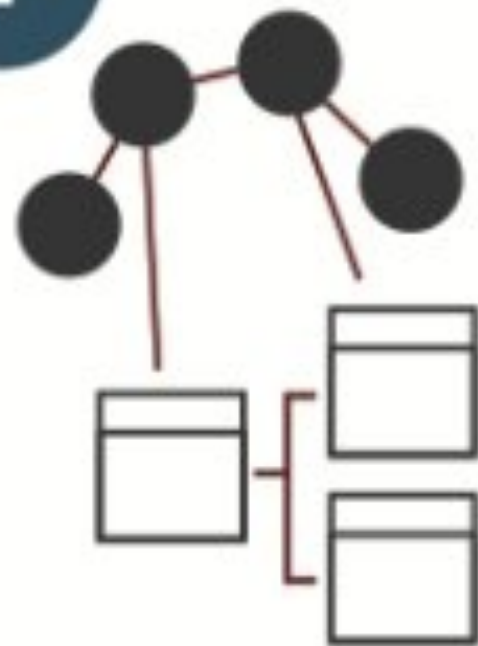


Complexity from the domain is inherent



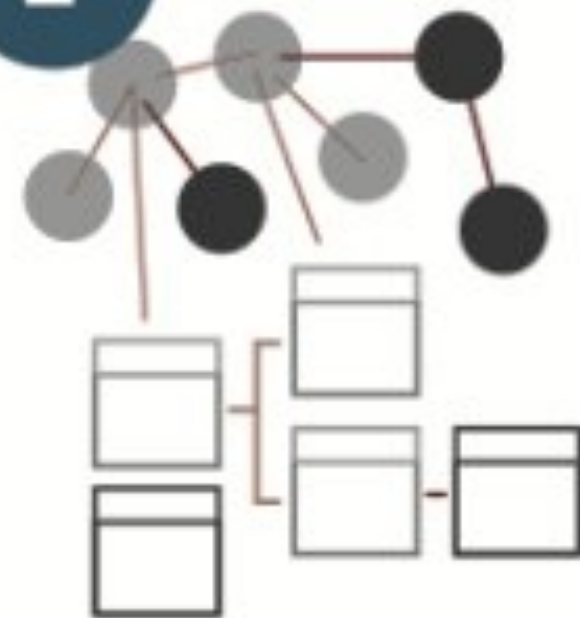
Complexity from the technical solution is accidental

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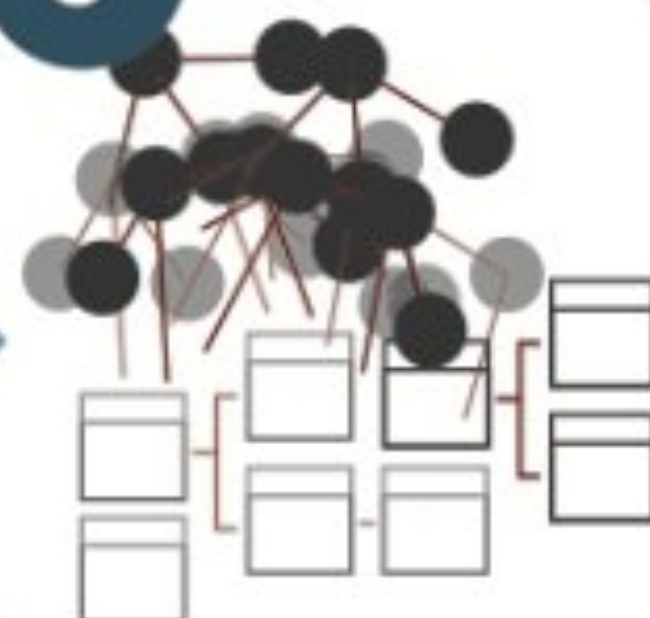
Initial software incarnation  
fast to produce

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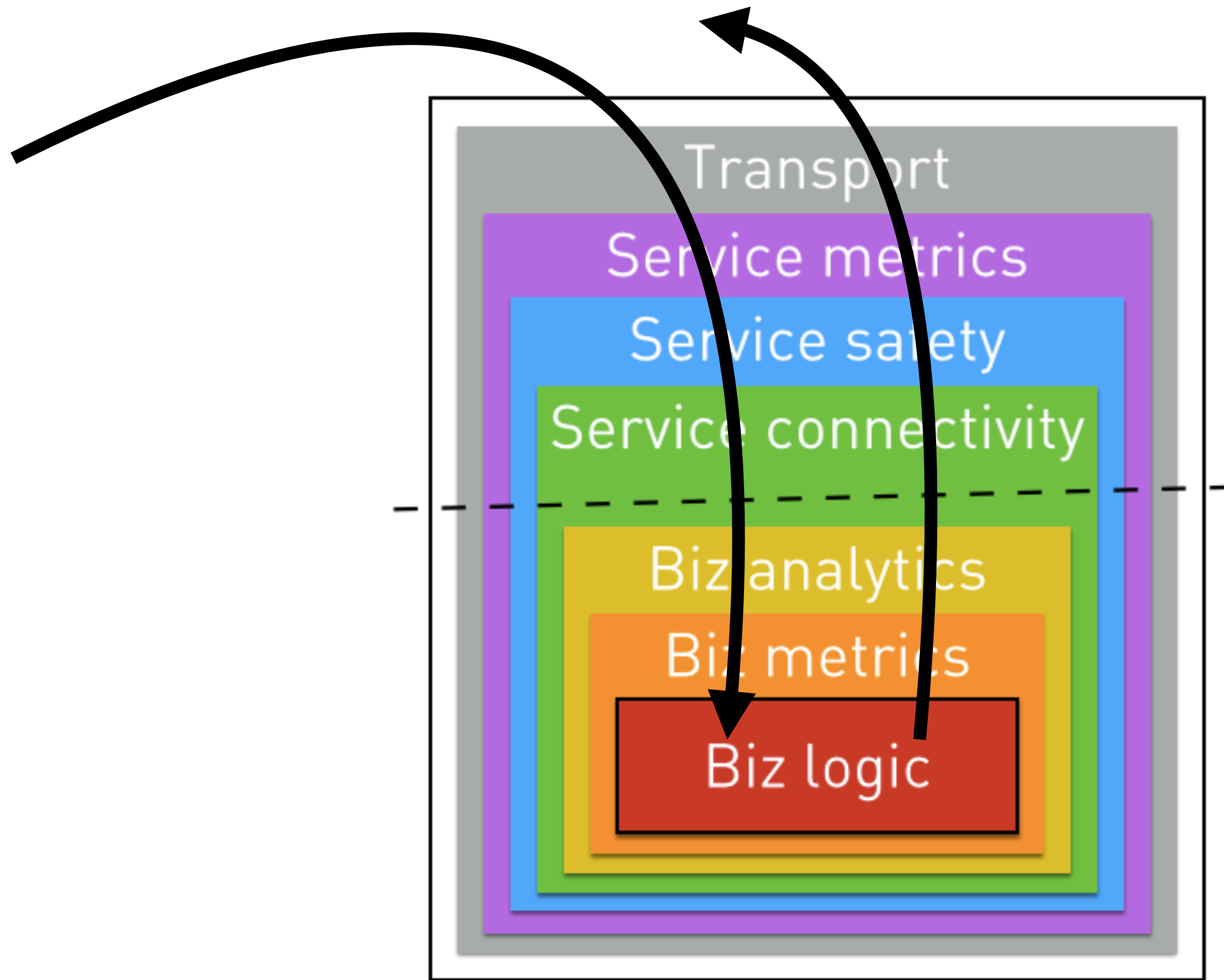
Over time, without care and  
consideration, software turns  
into the pattern known as the  
"ball of mud"

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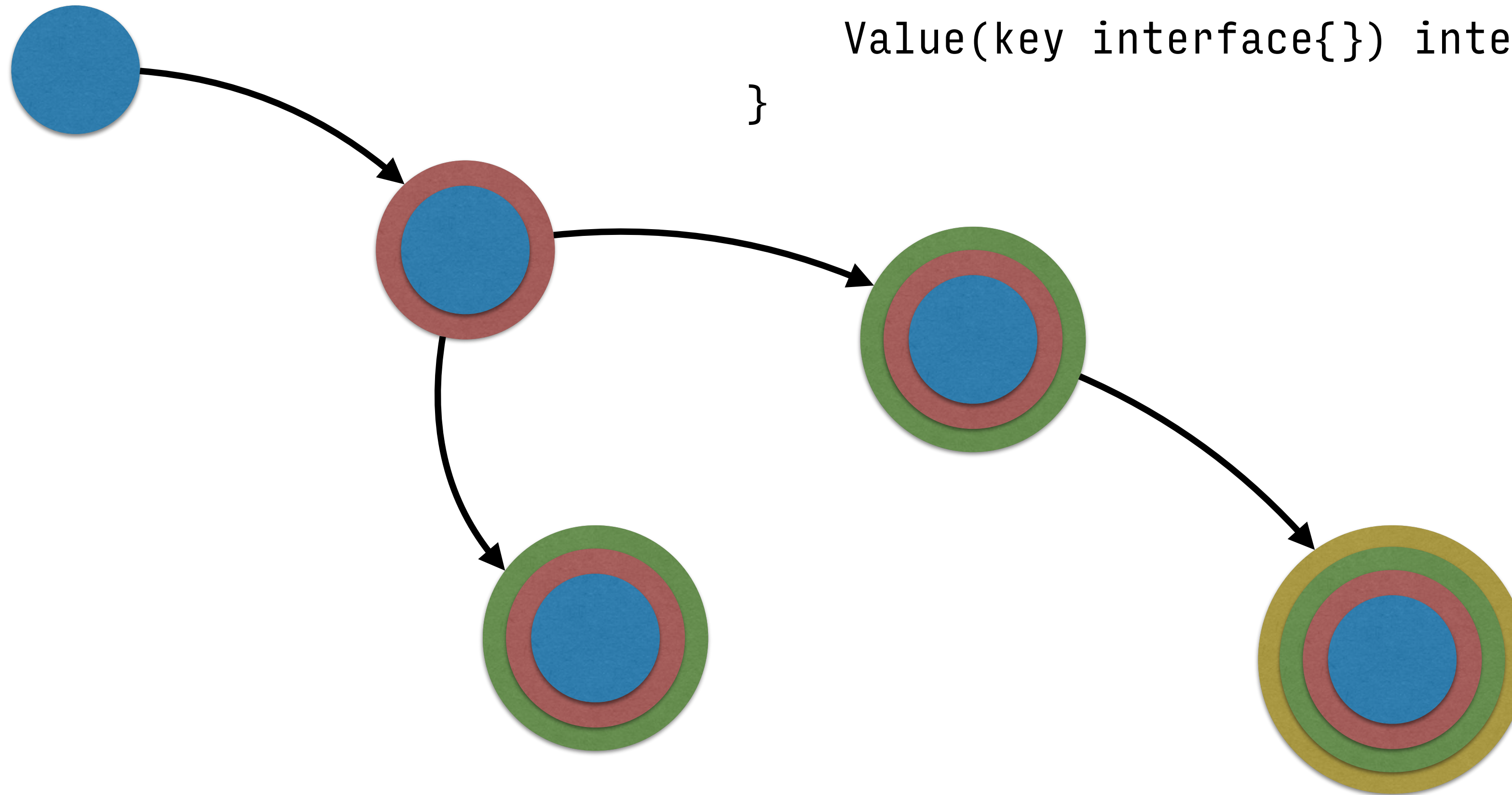
It works but no one knows  
how. Change is risky and  
difficult to complete. Where  
technical complexity exists  
the best developers will

**context.Context**





```
type Context interface {  
    Deadline() (deadline time.Time, ok bool)  
    Done() <-chan struct{}  
    Err() error  
    Value(key interface{}) interface{}  
}
```

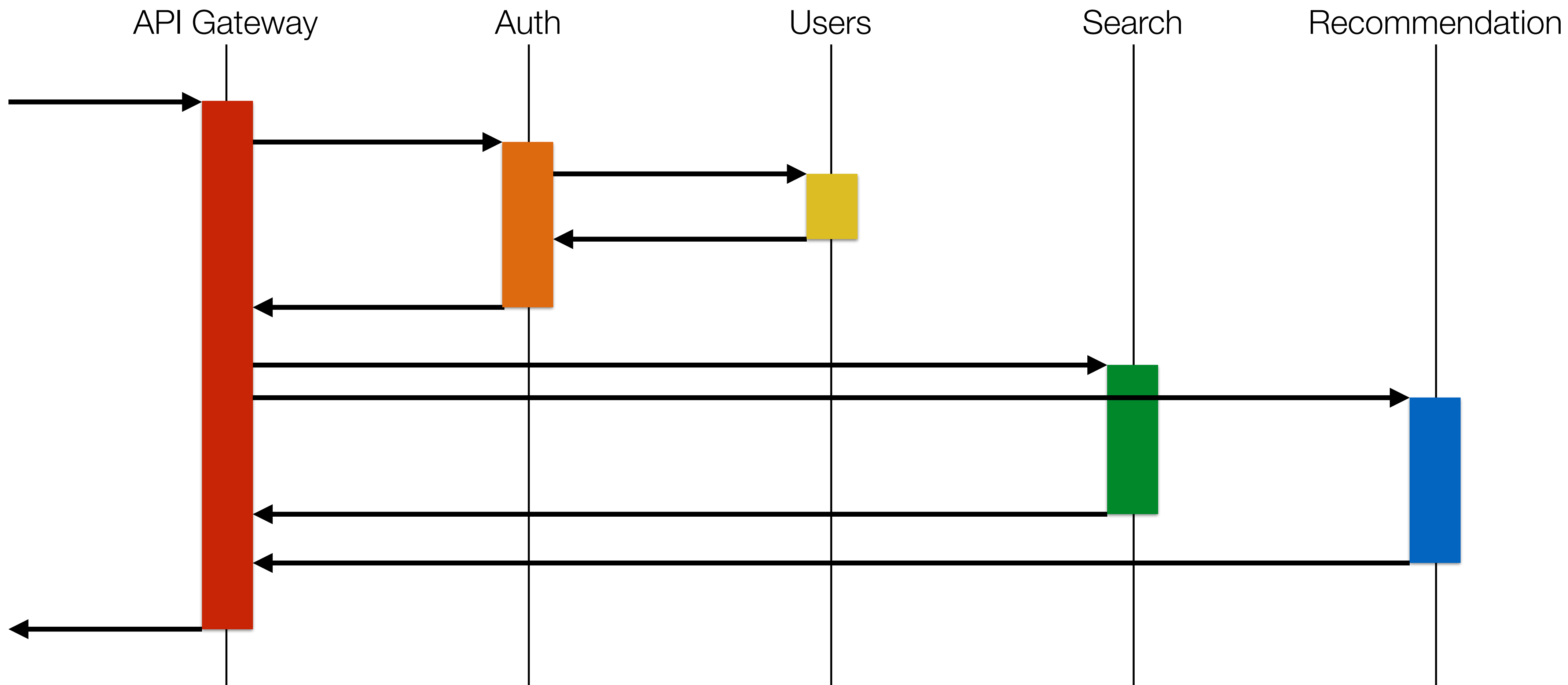


# Distributed tracing

A **Trace** represents the potentially distributed, potentially concurrent data/execution path in a (potentially distributed, potentially concurrent) system. A Trace can be thought of as a tree of Spans. (See the ASCII diagrams above)

A **Span** represents a logical unit of work in the system that has a start time and a duration. Spans may be nested and ordered to model parent-child and causal relationships. Each span has an **operation name**, a presumably human-readable string which concisely names the work done by the span (e.g., an RPC method name, a function name, or the name of a subtask within a larger computation).





## Temporal relationships for spans from a single trace

—|—————|—————|—————|—————|—————|—————|—————|—————|—> time

[Span A.....]

[Span B.....]

[Span D.....]

[Span C.....]

[Span E.....]

[Span F.....]

[Span G.....]

[Span H..]

[Span I.]

# Conclusion

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# Patterns + structure

Middleware pattern +  
Separation of concerns

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