

# Repositories

Another Important Pattern for Managing Domain Complexity

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# **In This Module**

- **Define Repositories**
- **Tips & Benefits**
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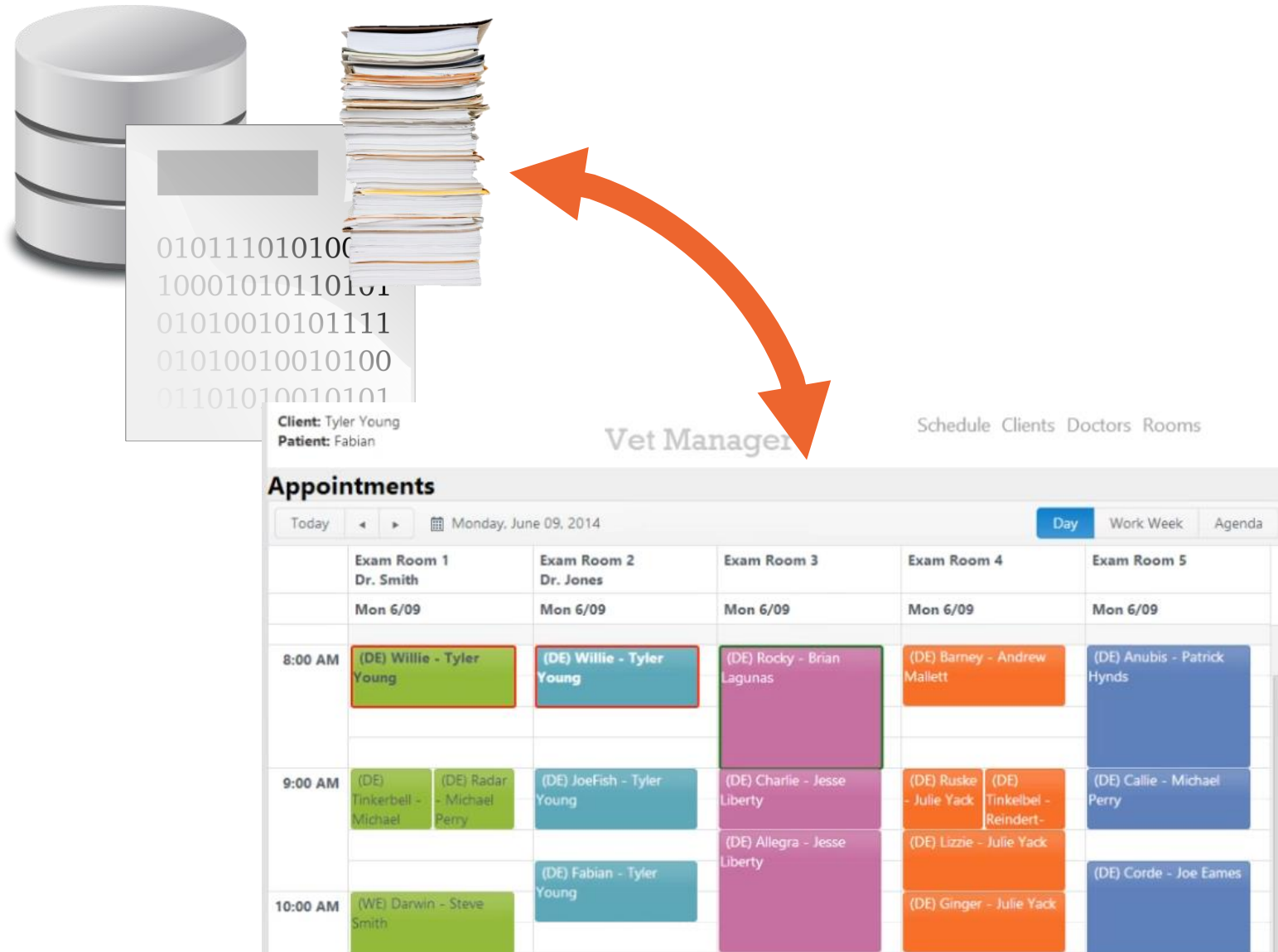
# Repository

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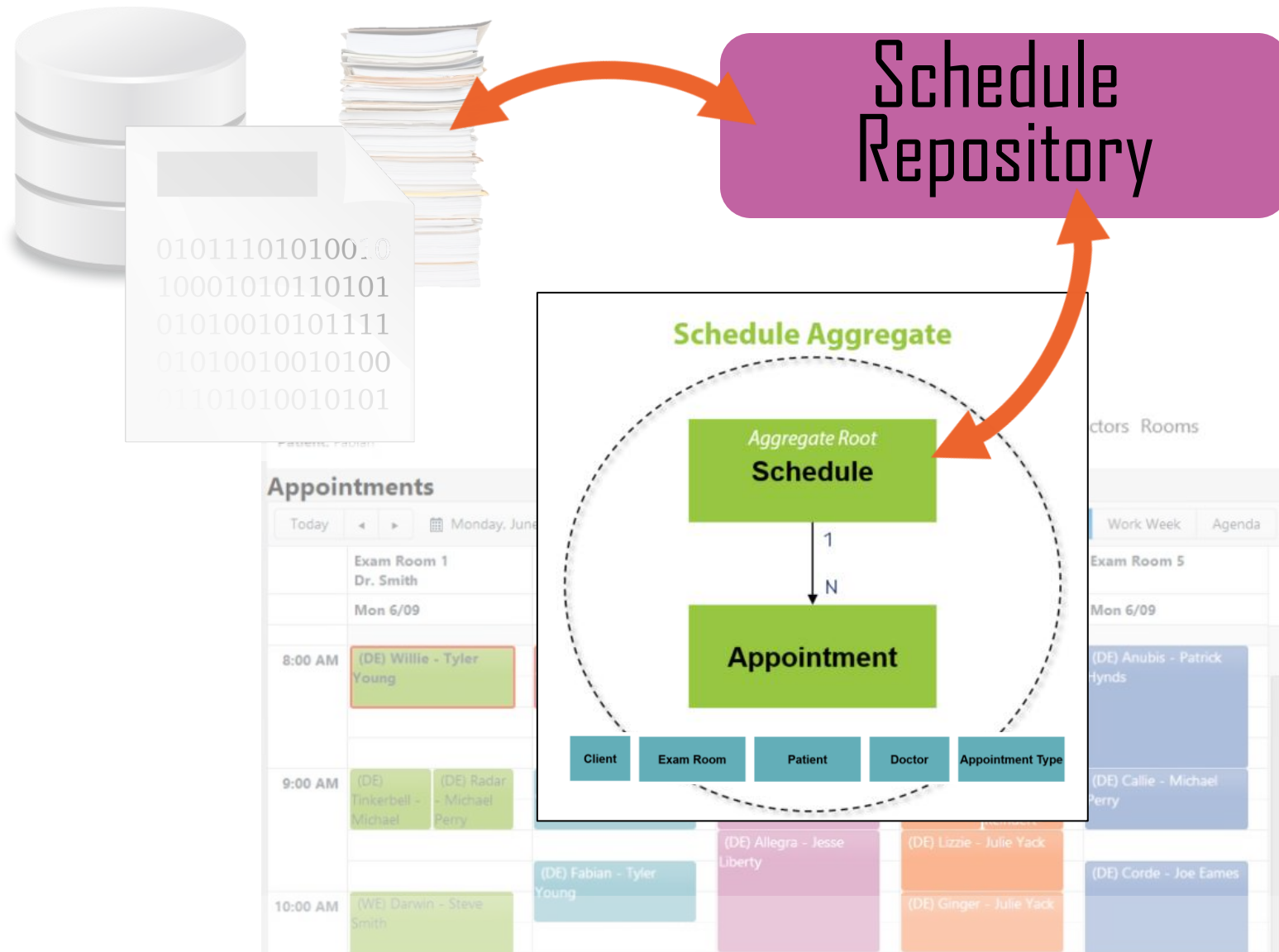
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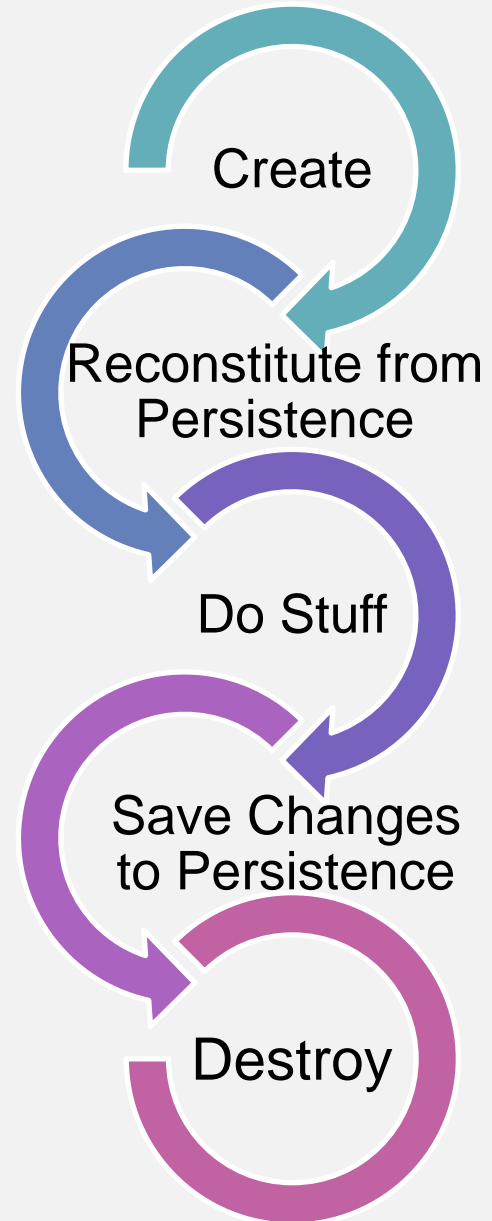


# Object Life Cycles

No Persistence



With Persistence



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A **repository** represents all objects of a certain type as a conceptual set...like a collection with more elaborate querying capability.

”

— **Eric Evans**  
Domain-Driven Design



# Repository Tips

```
public Schedule GetScheduledAppointmentsForDate(int clinicId, DateTime date) {  
    var scheduleGraph = QueryScheduleForThisOffice(clinicId)  
        .Select(s => new  
        {  
            Schedule = s,  
            Appointments = s.Appointments  
                .Where(a =>  
                    DbFunctions.DiffDays(date, a.TimeRange.Start) == 0  
                )  
        })  
        .SingleOrDefault();  
    var schedule = scheduleGraph.Schedule;  
    schedule.DateRange = new DateTimeRange(date, date.AddDays(1));  
    return schedule;  
}
```



# Repository Benefits

Provides common abstraction for persistence

Promotes Separation of Concerns

Communicates Design Decisions

Enables Testability

Improved Maintainability

Client code can be ignorant of  
repository implementation  
...but developers cannot

Common Repository Blunders		
N+1 Query Errors	Inappropriate use of eager or lazy loading	Fetching more data than required

# Repositories Factories

objects | **Factories** create new objects  
**Repositories** find and update existing objects  
A **Repository** can use a **Factory** to create its objects

persistence | **Factories** : no, no, no  
**Repositories**: yes, yes, yes

# To IRepository<T> or Not To IRepository<T> ?

```
public interface IRepository<TEntity> where TEntity : IEntity
{
    IEnumerable<TEntity> List();
    TEntity GetById(int id);
    void Insert(TEntity entity);
    void Update(TEntity entity);
    void Delete(int id);
}
```

```
public interface IScheduleRepository
{
    Schedule GetScheduledAppointmentsForDate(int clinicId, DateTime date);
    void Update(Schedule schedule);
}
```

# Generic Repositories in DDD


```
public class Repository<TEntity> : IRepository<TEntity> where TEntity : class, IEntity
{
    private readonly CrudContext _context;
}

public class NonRoot : IEntity
{
    public int Id...
}

public class ClientCode
{
    public void Foo()
    {
        var result = new Repository<NonRoot>().GetById(1);
    }
}

,

public void Delete(int id)
{
    var entityToDelete = _dbSet.Find(id);
    _dbSet.Remove(entityToDelete);
    _context.SaveChanges();
}
```



# Generic Repositories in DDD

```
public interface IAggregateRoot : IEntity { }
```

```
public class Root : IAggregateRoot  
{  
    public int Id {  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Repository<TEntity> : IRepository<TEntity> where TEntity : class, IAggregateRoot  
{
```

```
public class ClientCode  
{  
    public void Foo()  
    {  
        var result = new Repository<NonRoot>().GetById(1);  
    }  
}
```

class ClientPatientManagement.Data.NonRoot

C#: This argument type is not within its bounds

## **Repositories in our Application**



# Glossary of **Terms** from this Module

## Repository

A class that encapsulates the data persistence for an **aggregate root**

## ACID

Atomic, Consistent, Isolated, and Durable

# References

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