AntiPatterns & Code Smells

Software Modeling

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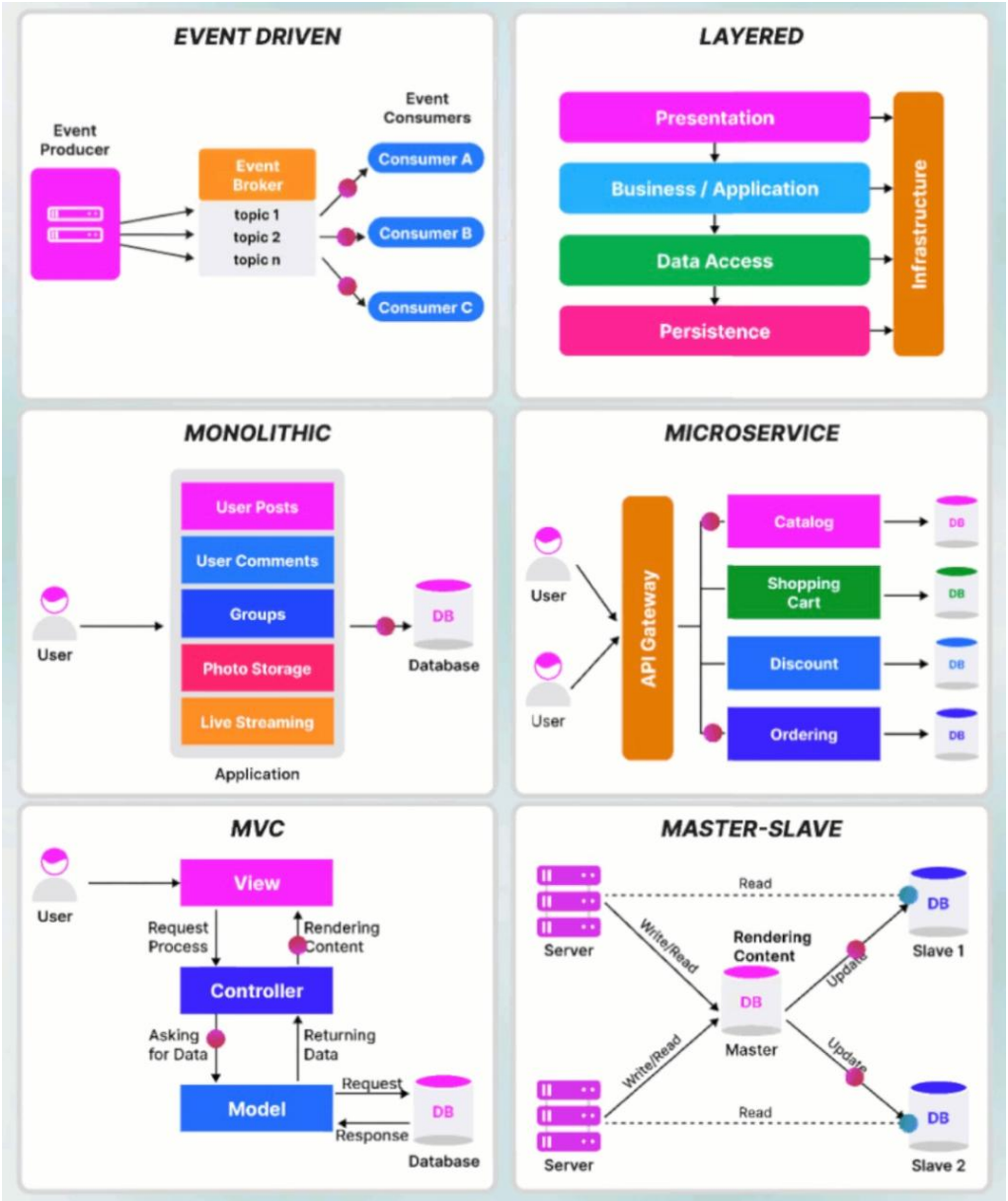

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- The **Principle of Least Knowledge** is used to modularize the software with objects.
- **The Law of Demeter** is a specific case of the Principle of Least Knowledge. It states that a software entity should only have knowledge of its immediate friends.
- Classes should only have knowledge of their attributes and methods. They should not have knowledge of the attributes and methods of other classes.

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Bad Coding

- **Bad Coding** is a software design problem that states that the code is not well written.
- If the software has bad coding, it is not maintainable and extensible.
- Spaghetti Code is a bad coding that is difficult to understand and maintain.
- **Bad practices** as copy-paste code, hardcoded values, and magic numbers are bad coding.

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Code Quality

- **Code Quality** is a process to validate that the code is well written.
- Metrics as code coverage, cyclomatic complexity, and code smells are used to measure the code quality.
- Code Review is a process to validate that the code is well written by another developer.
- Unit Testing is a process to validate that a small fragment of code is working as expected

Stupid Deployments!

Anti—Patterns

- **AntiPatterns** are bad practices in software design.
- An AntiPattern is a pattern that is commonly used but is ineffective and counterproductive.
- AntiPatterns are used to identify and fix bad practices in software design.
- Techniques to avoid AntiPatterns are refactoring, code review, and unit testing.

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Identify and Fix Code Smells

- Identify Code Smells is a process to find the bad coding in the software.
- Fix Code Smells is a process to correct the bad coding in the software.
- To *identify* and *fix* code smells, the software should be refactored.
- Refactoring is a process to improve the software without changing the behavior. A good book is *Refactoring: Improving the Design of Existing Code*, by Martin Flower.
- Techniques like code review and unit testing are used to identify and fix code smells.
- Linters and static analysis tools are used to identify and fix code smells.

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