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Multi-Tier Architecture

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Overview

Multi-tier architecture (also called *N*-tier architecture) describes the process of splitting up the major components of an application onto different environments.

For example, a web-app might be spread onto three different environments, like so:

- 1. Database running on a dedicated Cloud DB such as AWS RDS.
- 2. Back-end running on cloud-based VM's such as AWS EC2 instances or on a serverless architecture such as AWS Lambda.
- 3. Front-end being deployed to a static content store such as AWS S3.

Benefits

Like a lot of practices in software development, multi-tier architecture is designed to reduce *coupling*.

By splitting the full app onto different environments it is *far* easier to swap out one section when required or to rapidly scale up one particular section, something *far* harder and more costly to do with a traditional single-tier application where every single component could be running on the same hardware.

Three-tier Architecture

The most common example of multi-tier architecture is the **three-tier architecture**, which consists of:

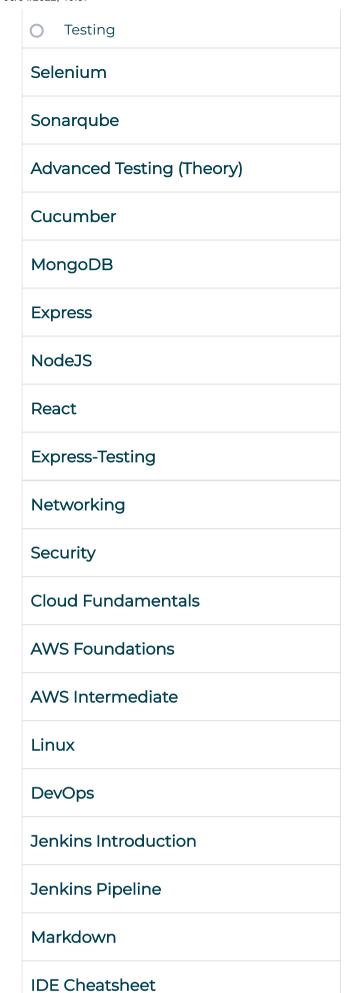
- 1. **Presentation Layer** The 'front-end', the part of the application seen by the user.
- 2. **Business Layer** The 'back-end', this part of the application deals with applying *business rules* to any data received from or sent to the user.
- 3. Persistence/Data Layer The 'database', persists data in order for the app to function.

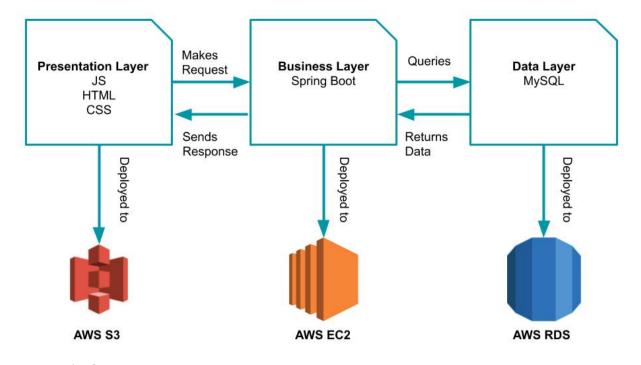
The below image shows an example three-tier architecture using a Springbased web application:

Unit testing with Mockito

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Pre-Populating Databases for Testing





Tutorial

There is no tutorial for this module.

Exercises

There are no exercises for this module.