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Deconstructing Monoliths with Domain Driven Design

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Part 1

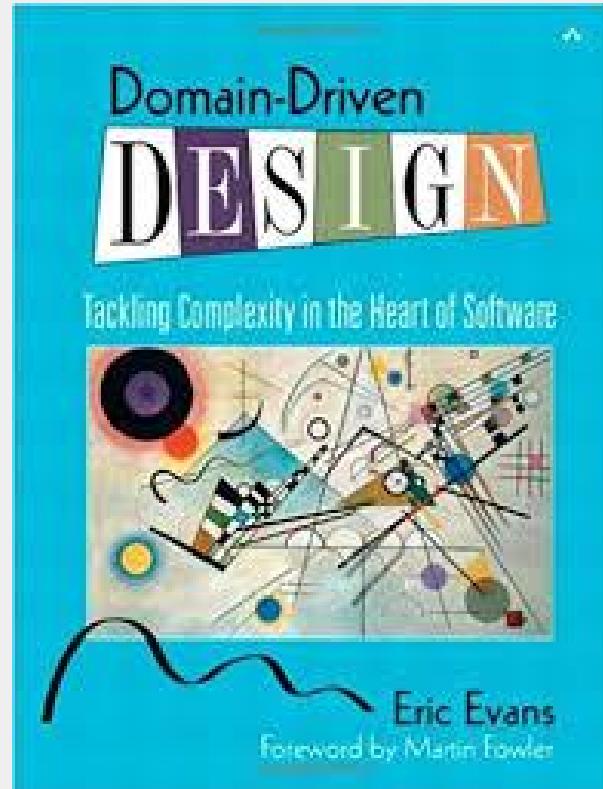
DDD, CQRS, EVENT SOURCING

Domain-Driven Design

“...the real breakthrough of object design comes when the code expresses the concepts of a model.”

“Anyone responsible for changing code must learn to express a model through the code. Every developer must be involved in some level of discussion about the model and have contact with **domain experts.**”

- Eric Evans, Domain-Driven Design



Domain Driven Design

"In the end the code is the model and the model is the code." - Vaughn Vernon ,
Domain-Driven Design Distilled

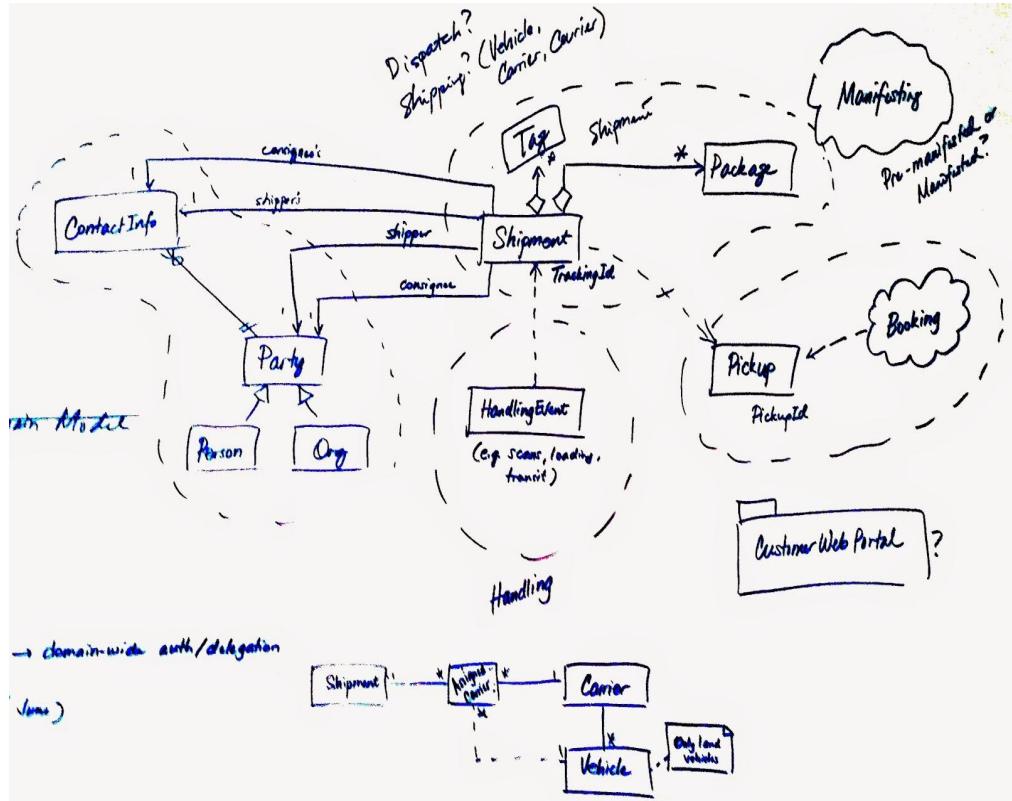
As opposed to:

1. Business Overview

1.1 Requirement

This interface is used to send Sched CGO messages from SHIP-PRO to ODS. SHIP-PRO will send the SyncSCHD_CGO BO to MBS and MBS will push the data to ODS as SCHD_CGO_WRAPPER BO.

This interface will also be added to the AMS view for monitoring.



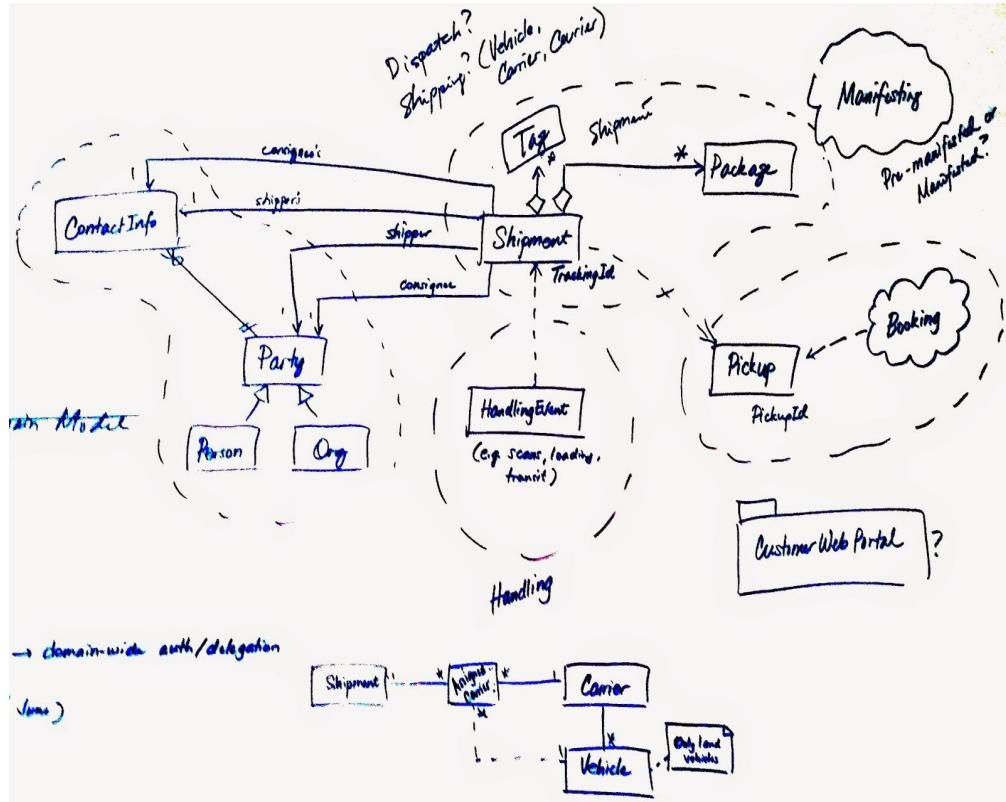
Entities, Value Objects, and Services

Entity - something with continuity and identity (Customer)

Value Object - an attribute that describes the state of something else (Address)

Service - Actions or operations that don't belong in an Entity or VO

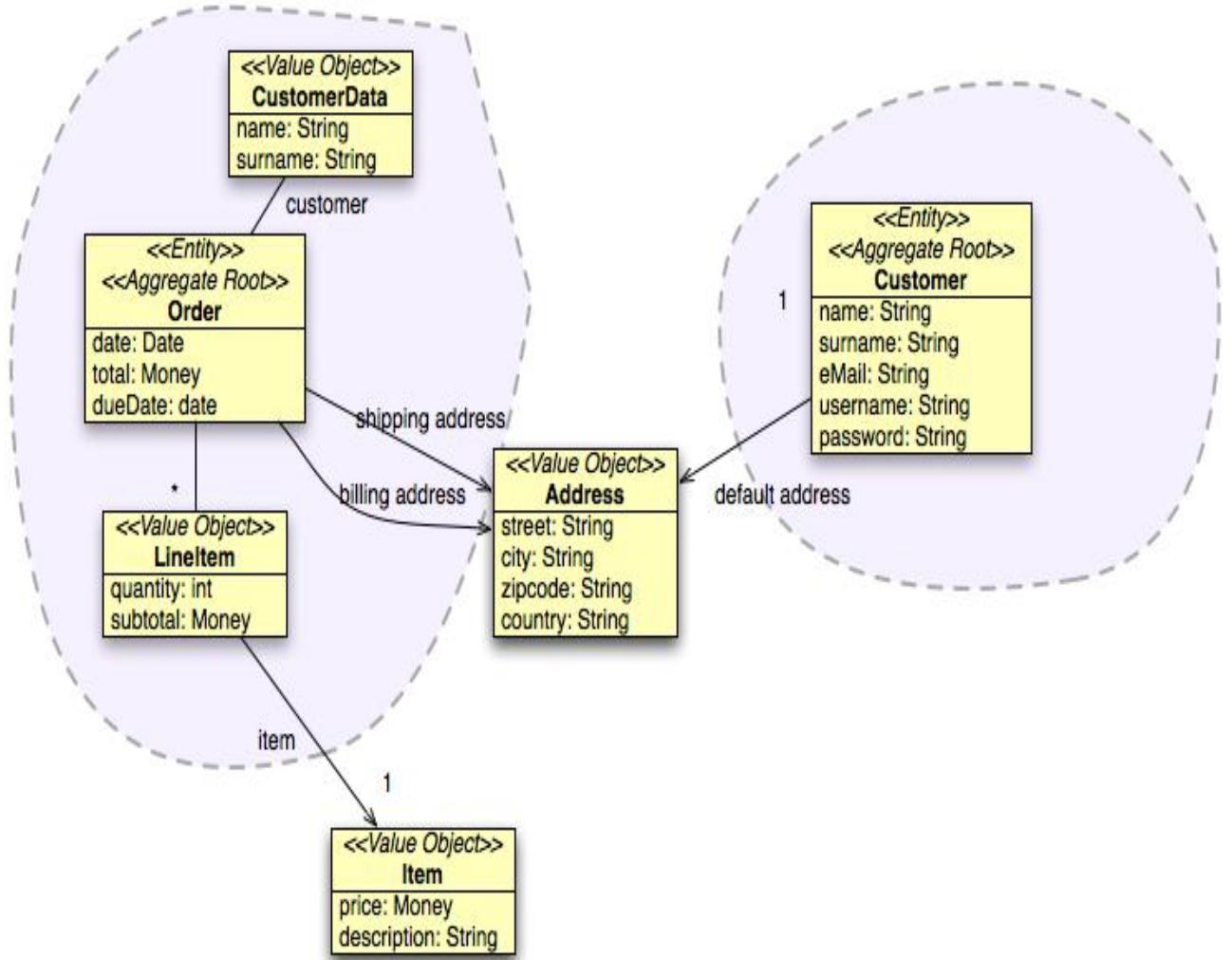
- Domain service - Funds transfer
- Technical service - Notification



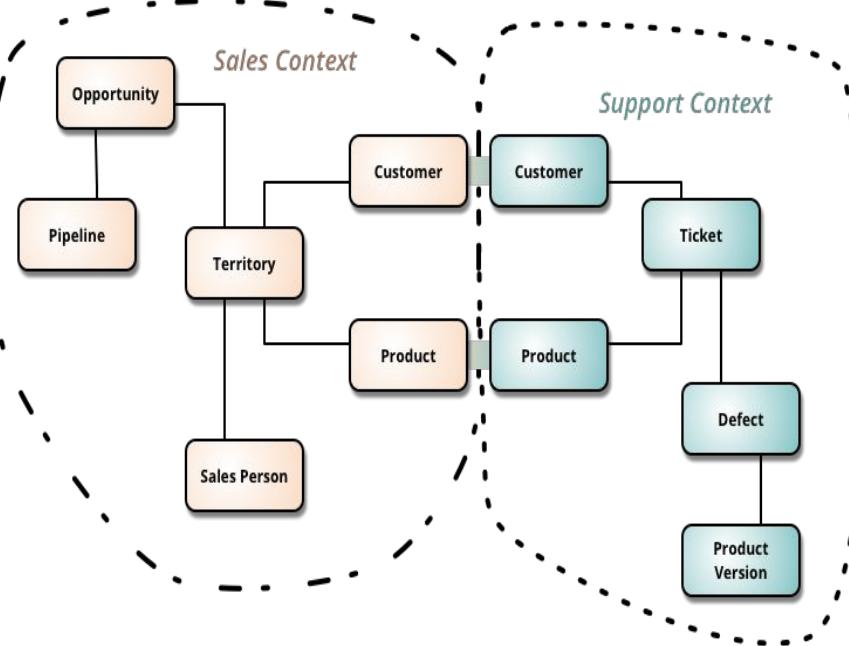
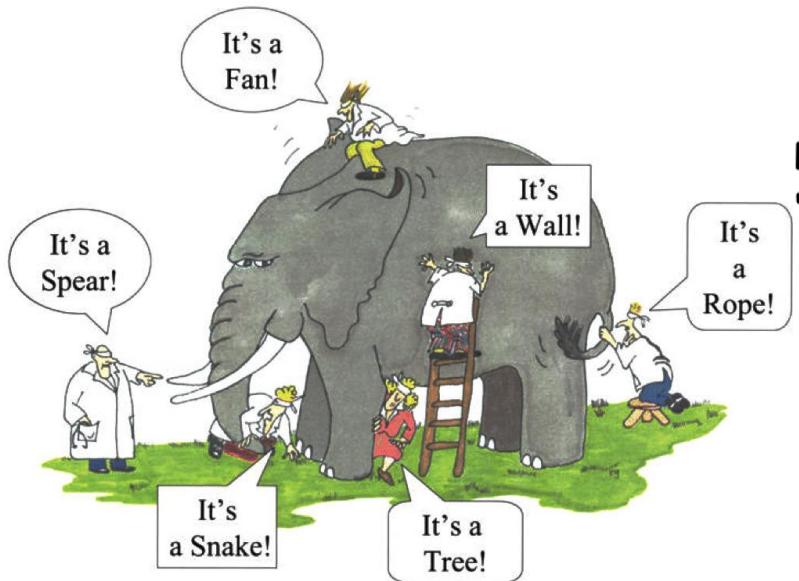
Aggregates

AGGREGATES mark off the scope within which invariants have to be maintained at every stage of the lifecycle

- Transactional Boundary
- Public access only via the Aggregate Root

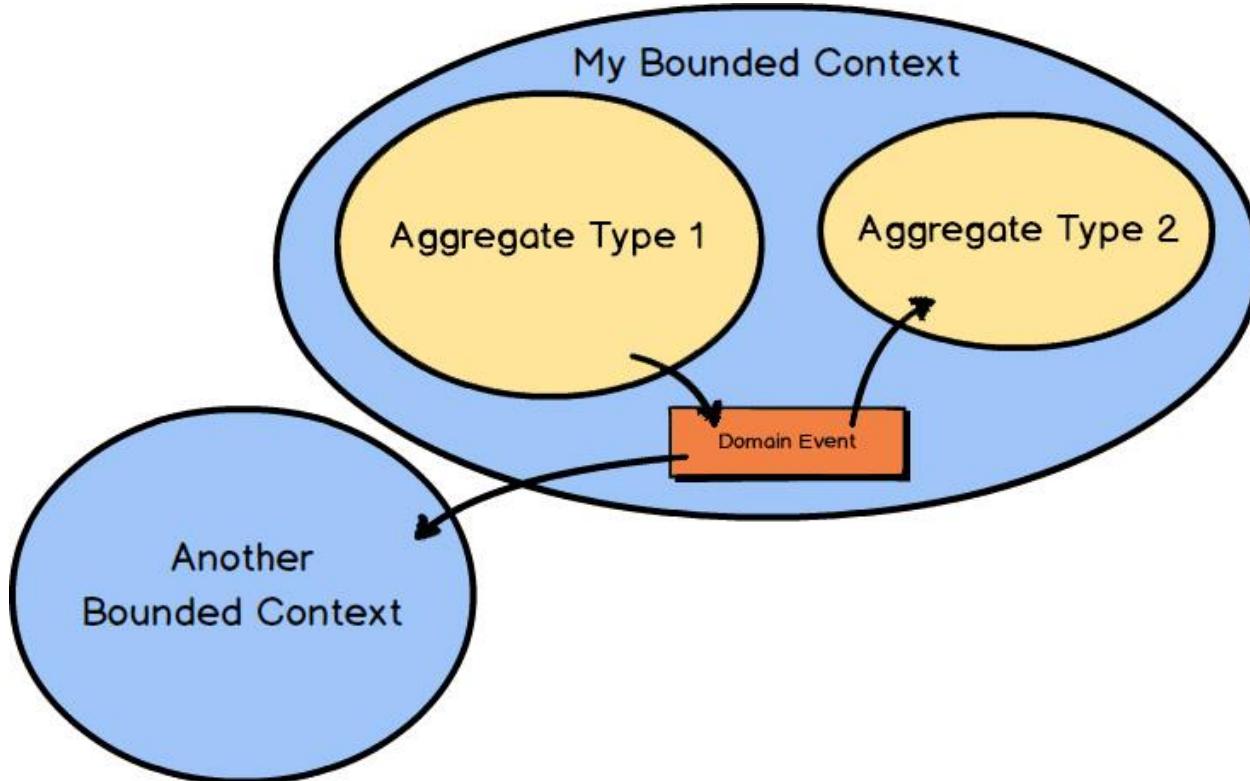


Bounded Context

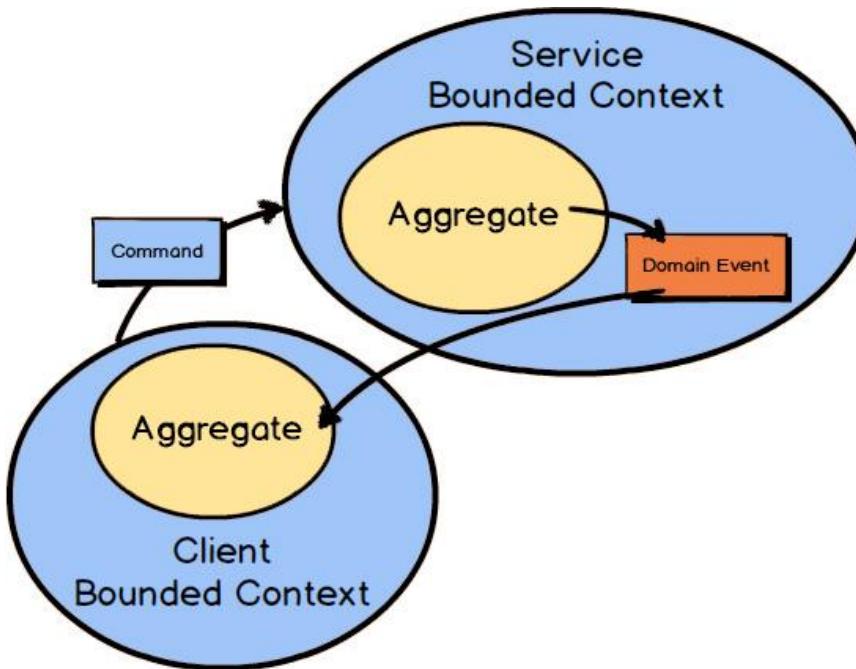


"Generally speaking, there is a correspondence of one team per BOUNDED CONTEXT. One team can maintain multiple BOUNDED CONTEXTS, but it is hard ... for multiple teams to work on one together." - Evans

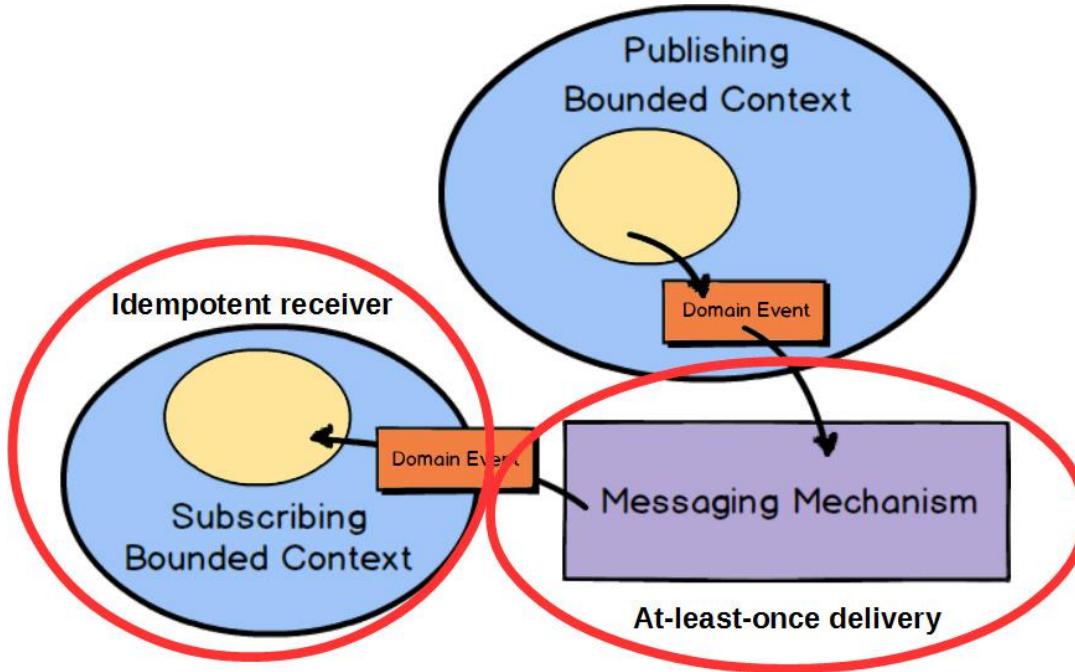
Event Driven Architecture



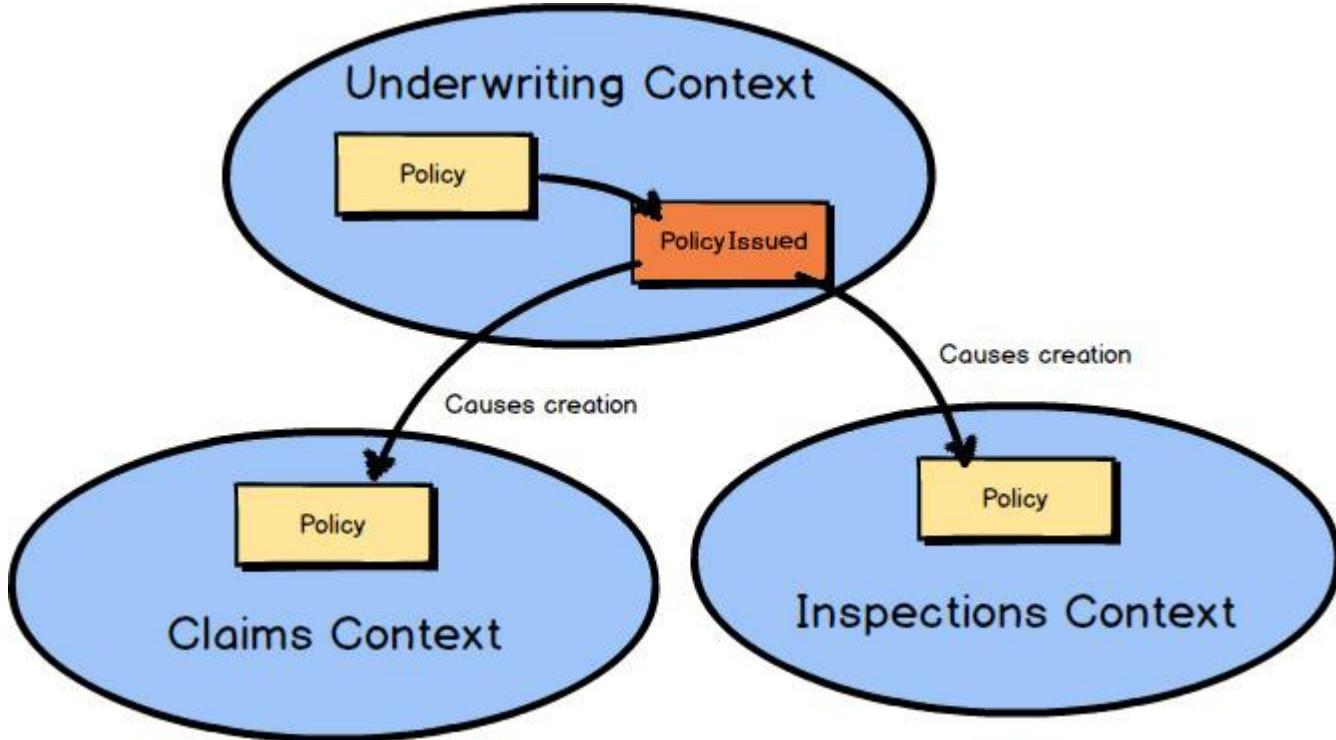
Command Triggers Events



Messaging



Publish-Subscribe



Eventual Consistency

Matt Stine @mstine · 21h
when people tell me banks can't tolerate eventual consistency...

Deposit Pending

\$10.00

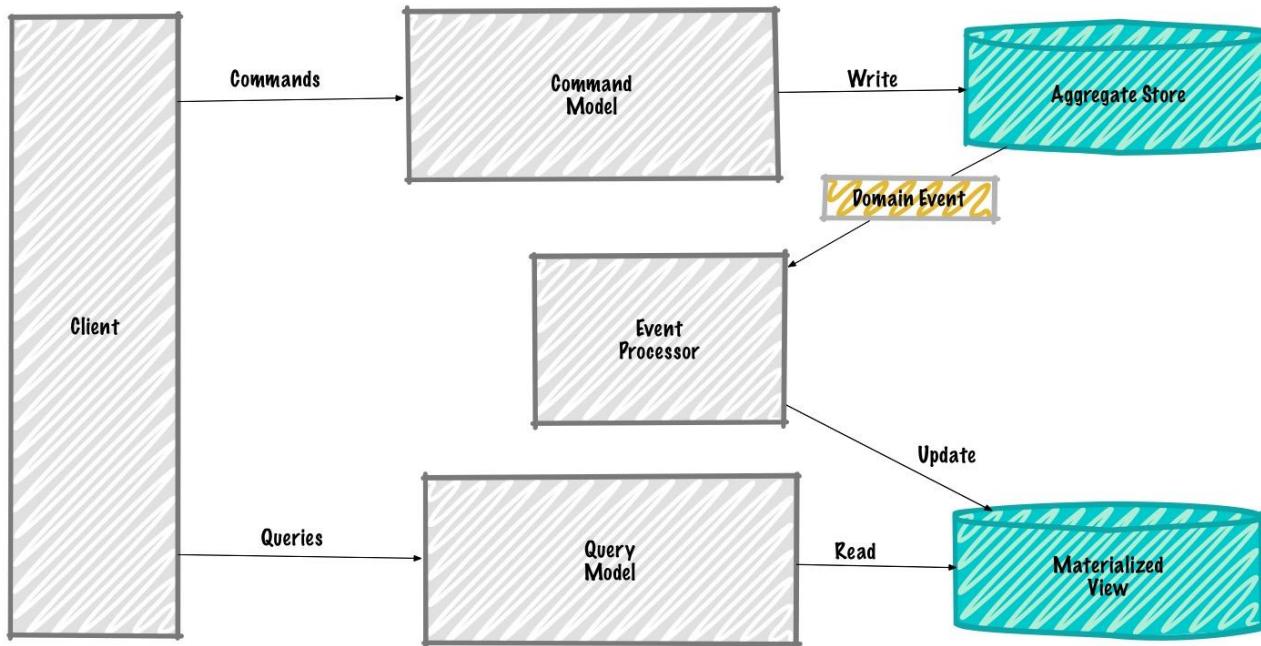
Barn Account **0505**
\$133.89

Funds are normally received within two business days. Please keep your paper check until the funds are posted to your account. Please check the deposit status again soon.

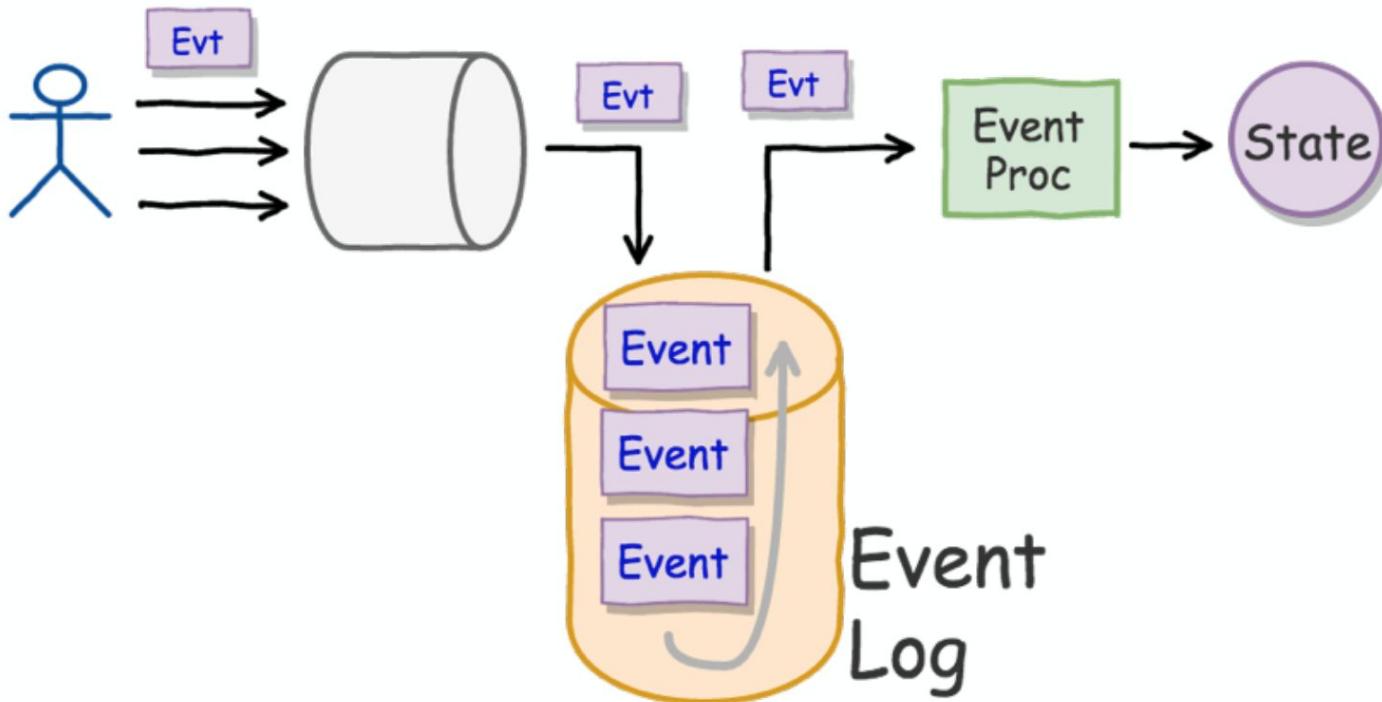
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A screenshot of a Twitter post from Matt Stine (@mstine). The post includes a profile picture of a man with sunglasses and a green background. The text reads: "when people tell me banks can't tolerate eventual consistency...". Below this is a screenshot of a bank deposit slip. It shows a large "\$10.00" amount and a balance of "\$133.89" in a box labeled "Barn Account ****0505". A note at the bottom says: "Funds are normally received within two business days. Please keep your paper check until the funds are posted to your account. Please check the deposit status again soon." At the bottom of the screenshot are engagement metrics: 2 replies, 7 retweets, and 16 likes.

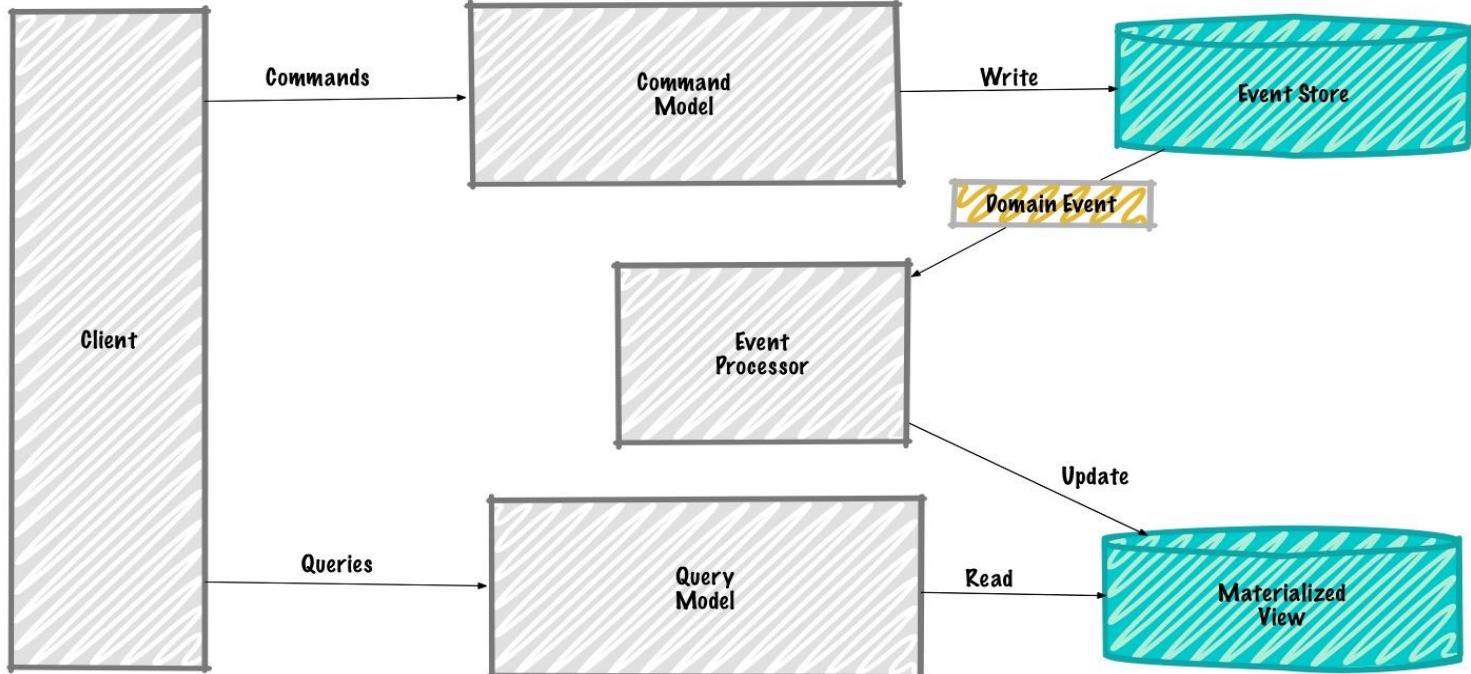
CQRS



Event Sourcing



CQRS + ES



Resources

SpringOne Platform Sessions

- Reactive DDD, Vaughn Vernon - Tue
- State or Events, J. Pillmon, K. Bestani - Tue
- Refactoring to System of Systems, O. Gierke
 - Next up

Event Sourcing Frameworks

- Axon Framework -
<http://www.axonframework.org/>
- Eventuate - <http://eventuate.io/>

Event Store

- <https://eventstore.org/>

Further Reading

- [Domain-Driven Design](#), Eric Evans
- [Implementing Domain-Driven Design](#), Vaughn Vernon
- [Domain-Driven Design Distilled](#), Vaughn Vernon
- [Building Microservices](#), Sam Newman
- <https://dturanski.wordpress.com/2017/03/26/spring-cloud-stream-for-event-driven-architectures/>, David Turanski

Modernizing Legacy workloads

Deconstructing The Monolith

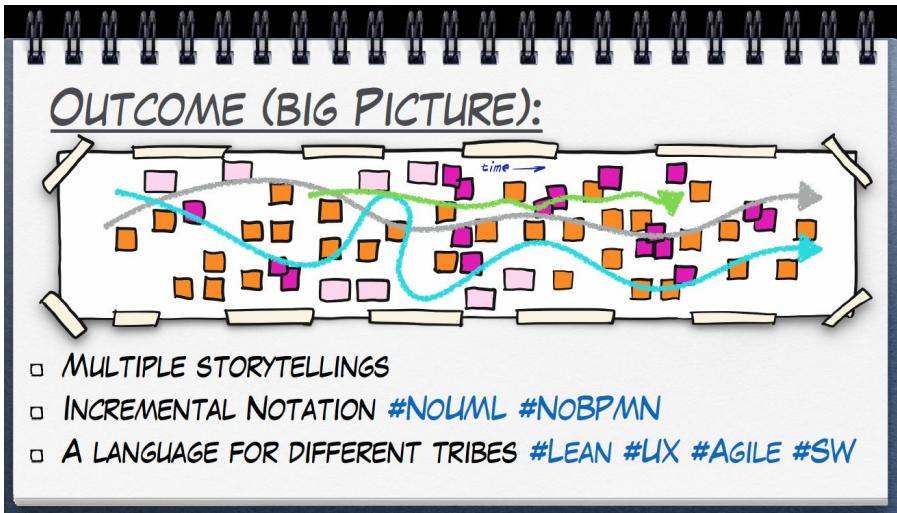
Break a Complex Domain with Event Storming



ES - Enables Cross Perspective Communication

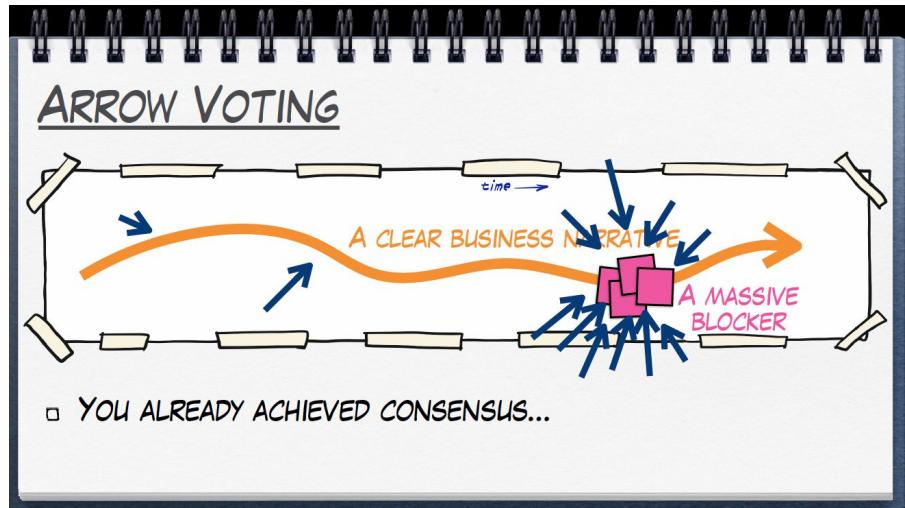
Situational Awareness

Making sense of a complex domain



Clarity

Identify the Right Constraint

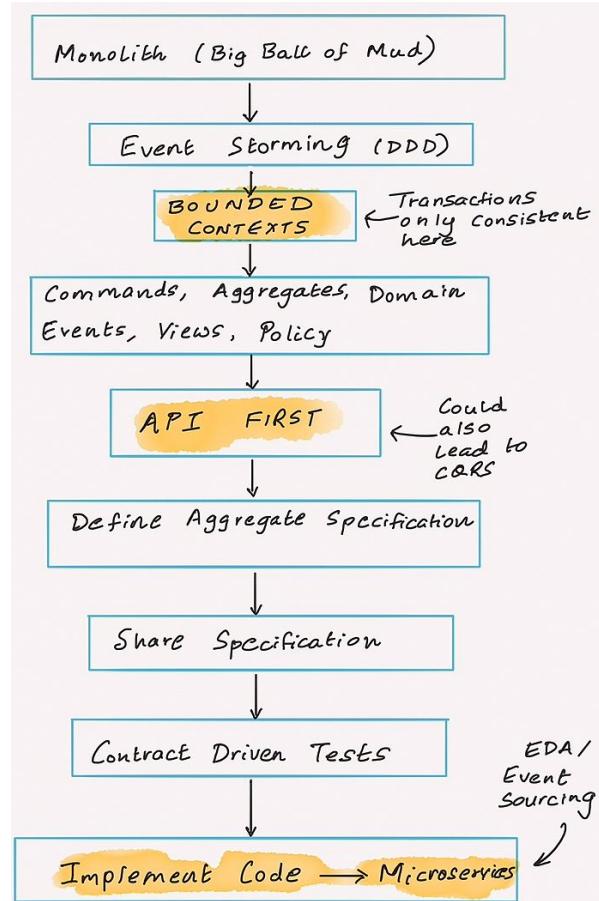


Business Domain Model derived from Business Events



Deconstructing a Monolith

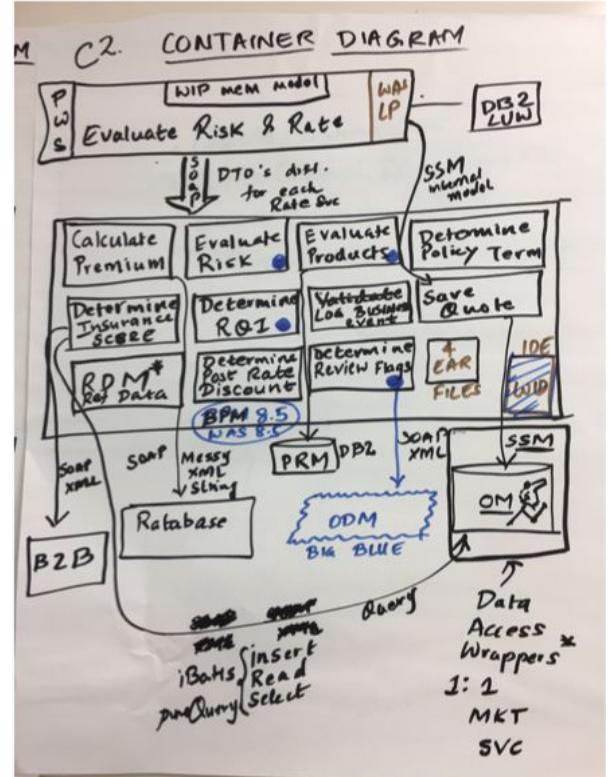
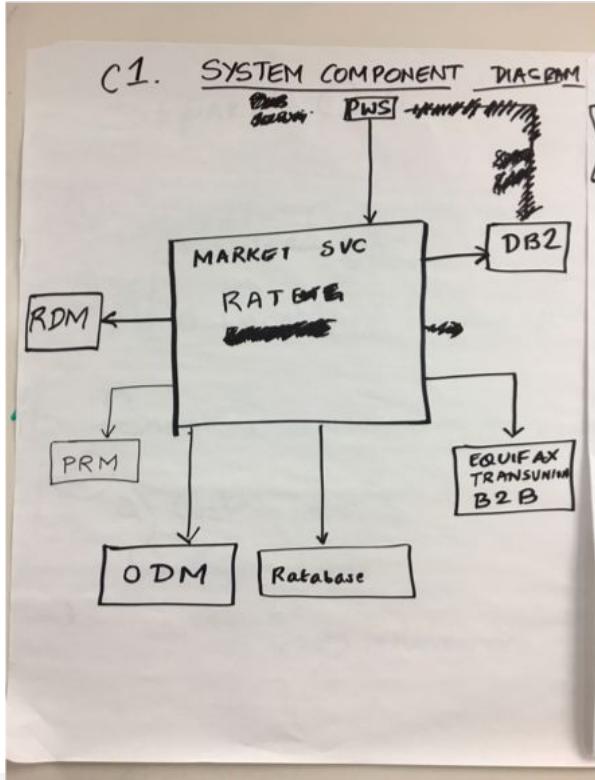
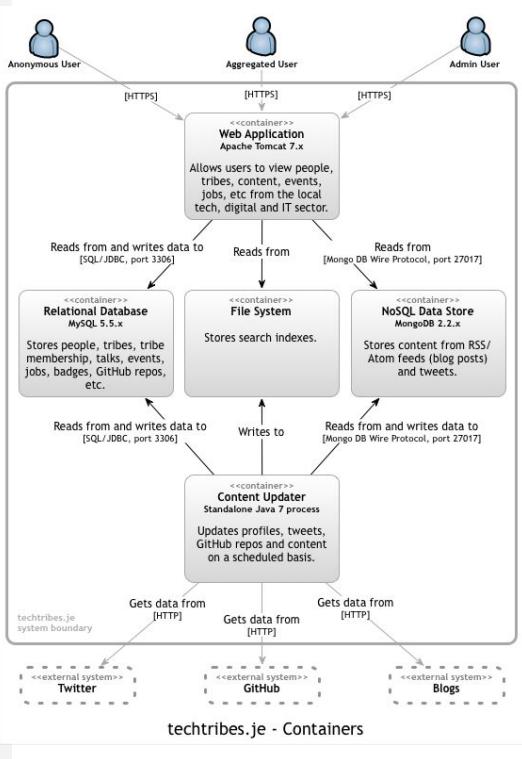
- Define Objectives and Key Results (OKRs)
- Event Storm the app and identify the core domain and key constraints
- Pick horizontal sequences of events in the core domain identified during ES
- Use C4 diagrams to identify a vertical slice of components that realize the flow of events
- Identify a decomposition strategy
- Perform SNAP analysis on each of the components of the vertical slice
- Generate a backlog of user stories and tie it back to the OKRs
- User story mapping to map user stories to MVPs



Selection of a Vertical Slice : Pick a Core Domain



C4 Architecture Diagrams



SNAP Analysis

DATA ARCHITECTURE

ORM / Data Libraries

Integrations

ETL Jobs

Transactions

State Management

Batch Processing

File System Access

APP ARCHITECTURE

Languages / Versions

Spring Components

JEE APIs

3rd Party Libraries

Front End Techniques

Testing / Test Coverage

Security / Identity Mgmt

APP USAGE & TEAM

Number of Users

Team Location(s)

Key User Workflows

Transactions Per Second

CONFIGURATION

Deployment Type

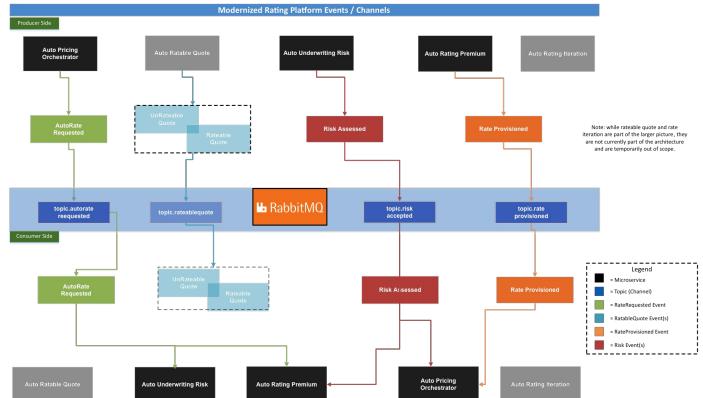
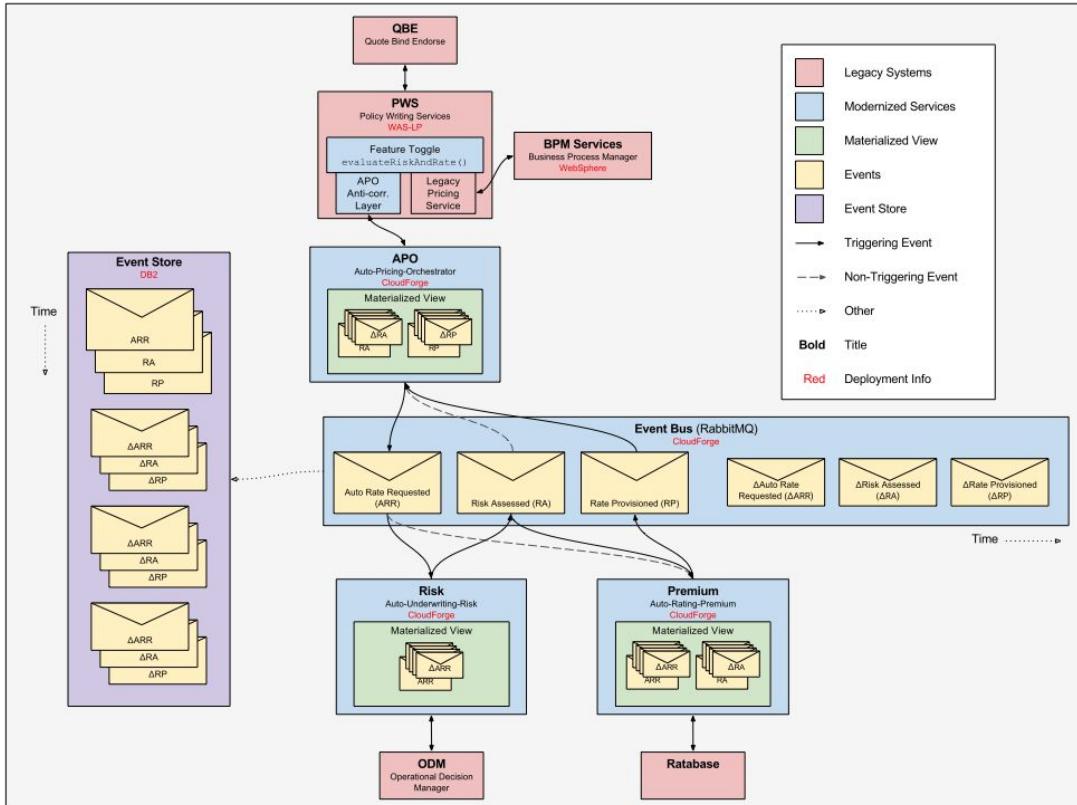
Continuous Integration

Config / Properties Files

Build System

Infrastructure - Platform & Middleware

1M LOC Insurance Domain Monolith



What is your Decomposition Strategy ?

Bounded Contexts

Value Streams

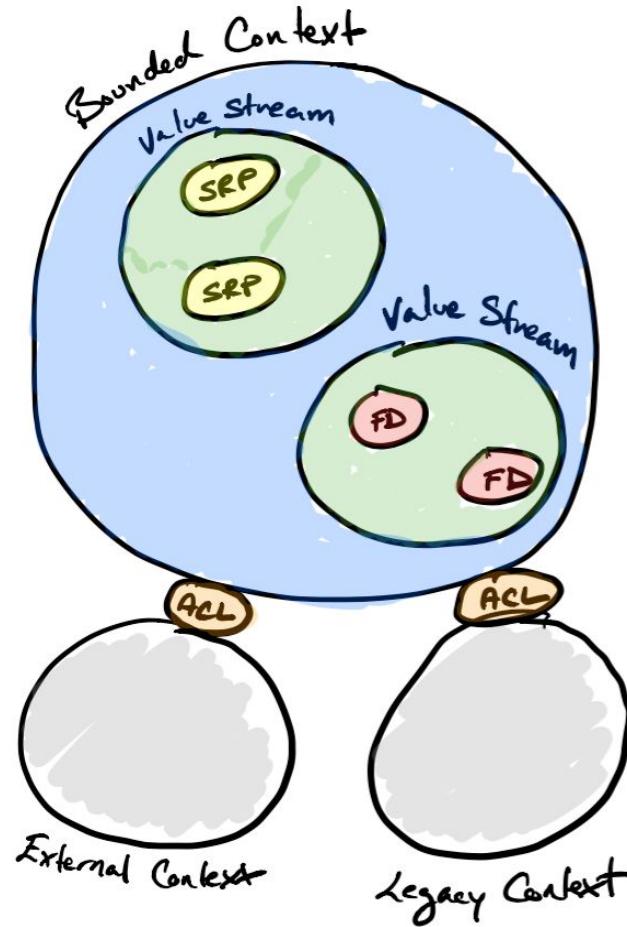
Failure Domains

Anti-Corruption Layers

Single Responsibility Principle

Kitchen Sink

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Event Thinking

Reduce temporal coupling

- Instrument Monolith with Events
- Break Things apart with events
- Use domain language for events
- Build things on the outside
- Strangler Pattern
- Minimally Invasive
- Cannot rely on ordering of messages or zero message loss

Strive for autonomy with messaging

- Messaging schemas can introduce coupling
- Sagas handle Eventual Consistency
- What operations are idempotent ?
- Handle duplicate messages with Outbox pattern
- Messaging schemas can introduce coupling
- Change in mindset
- Avoid Kafka as an ESB anti-pattern
- Spring Application Events or CDI Events

Many Meanings of Event Driven Architecture (EDA)

Event Notification

- Send event messages to notify other systems of a change in its domain
- Event carries ID and link back to the sender for more info
- Decouples sender from receiver
- No Statement of overall behavior

Event Carried State Transfer

- Update clients in a way that they don't need to contact the source system
- Receiver has to maintain all the state
- Decoupling
- Reduced load on supplier
- Replicated Data
- Eventual Consistency

Event Sourcing

- Every state change of the system is recorded as an event
- Event store becomes the source of truth, and the system state is derived from it
- Audit, Debugging, Historic State, Alternative State, Memory Image
- Unfamiliar, External Systems, Event Schema, Identifiers, Asynchrony, Versioning

Life Beyond Distributed Transactions

How To Deal With 2PC XA Global Transactions in the Cloud

Pat Helland

<http://queue.acm.org/detail.cfm?id=3025012>

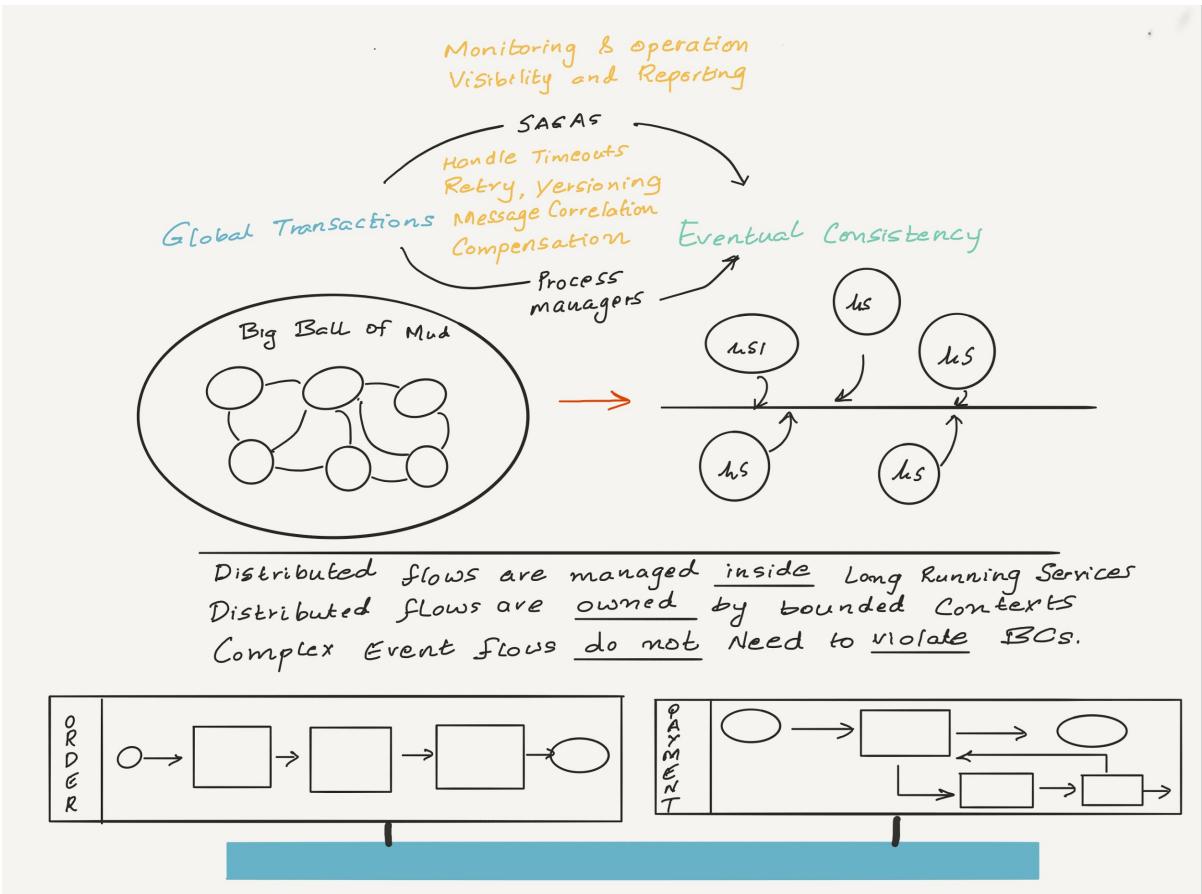
In a system that cannot count on distributed transactions, the management of uncertainty must be implemented in the business logic.

The uncertainty of the outcome is held in the business semantics rather than in the record lock. This is simply workflow.

We can't use distributed transaction so we need to use workflow.

Demons Lie Here

Complex Event Flows



Should you Event Source or Not ?

Should I invest in the stock market now ?

Every team is at liberty to select their own patterns

Is there tooling available to guide you

Do you have developers with the aptitude and ability

Does data need to be persisted temporally?

Is an audit log necessary ?

What is the overall system architecture ?

Event Driven Architecture Challenges

Versioning in an Event Sourced System

Greg Young <https://leanpub.com/esversioning>

Why can't I update an Event?

Basic Type Based Versioning

Schemas (Weak / Hybrid)

Negotiation

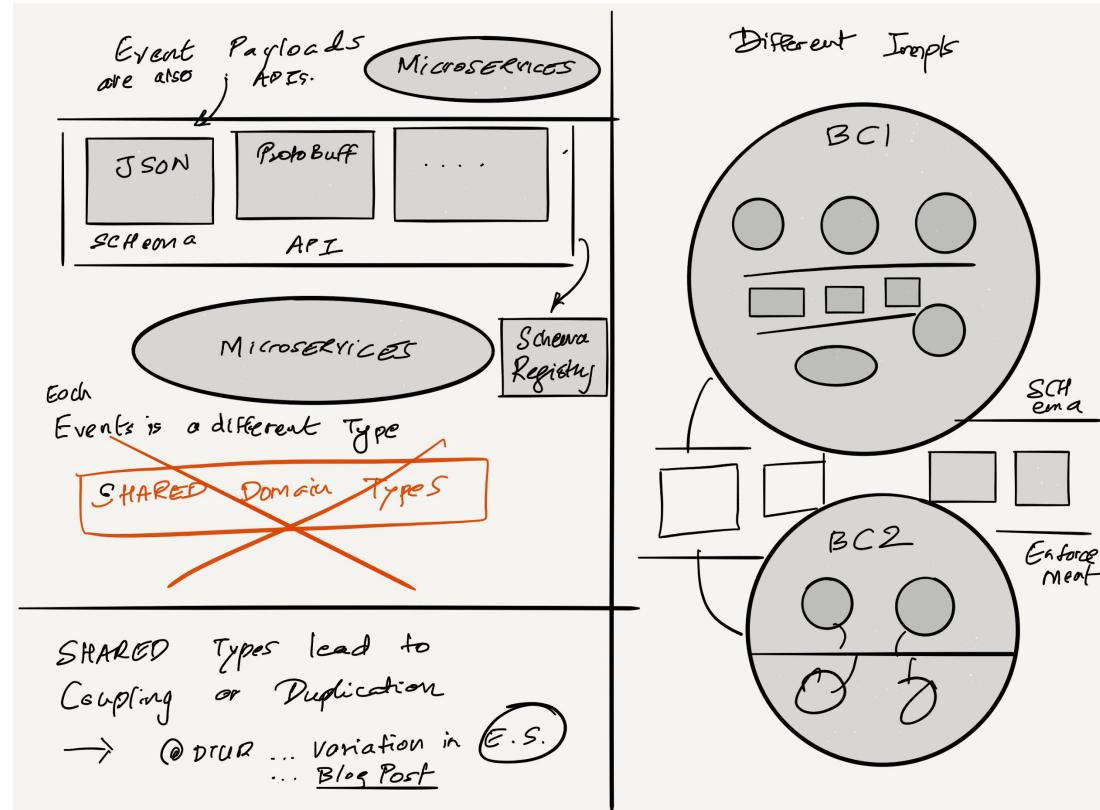
What to do with mistaken Events?

Copy and Replace Models

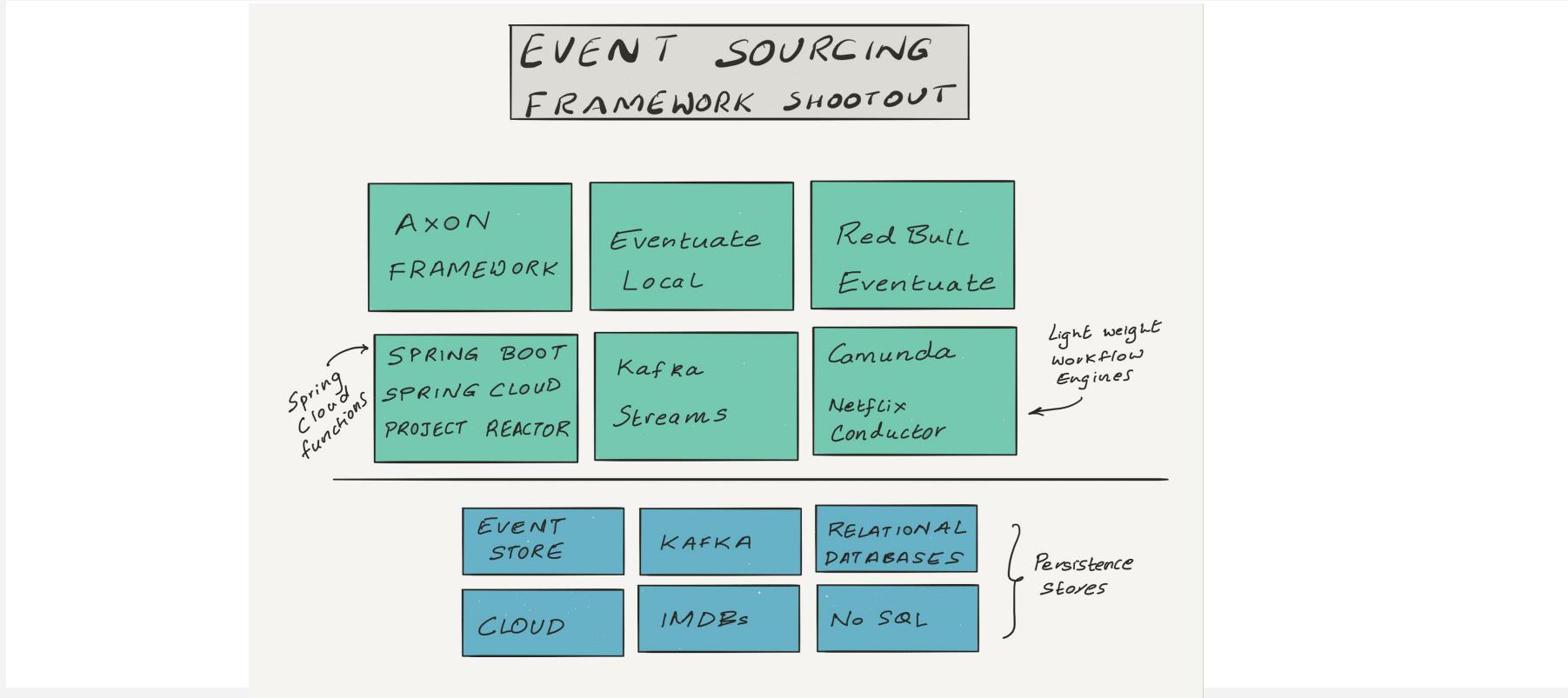
Cheating

Internal vs External

Versioning of Process manager's



Event Sourcing Framework Shootout



Lessons Learned From Real World Modernizations

Too many fine bounded contexts.

Correlation strategy and Lock Strategy get complicated

Complex work flows require Sagas & Process Managers

Microservices - one per aggregate ?

DIY Event Sourcing systems are hard. Too much time spent in toil

Leverage Consumer driven Contracts to establish clear schemas across Bounded Contexts for messages

Chose the right style of Event Driven Architecture

Delay making frameworks

Powerpoint is dead long live the Stickies

Spring is missing an event sourcing and event persistence framework

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Event Sourcing is hard without a supporting event persistence framework or library

Pick a framework based on the guidance on the next slide before beginning

Challenge preconceived architectural decisions

Set goals with measurable metrics.

Be wary of the Hourglass effect



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Part 3

Real World Experiences

Our Experiences with...

- Technical Debt
- Monoliths
- Entropy
- Event Storming
- Breaking Down Monoliths for real
- MSA w/DDD to API-First
- 12 factors & beyond

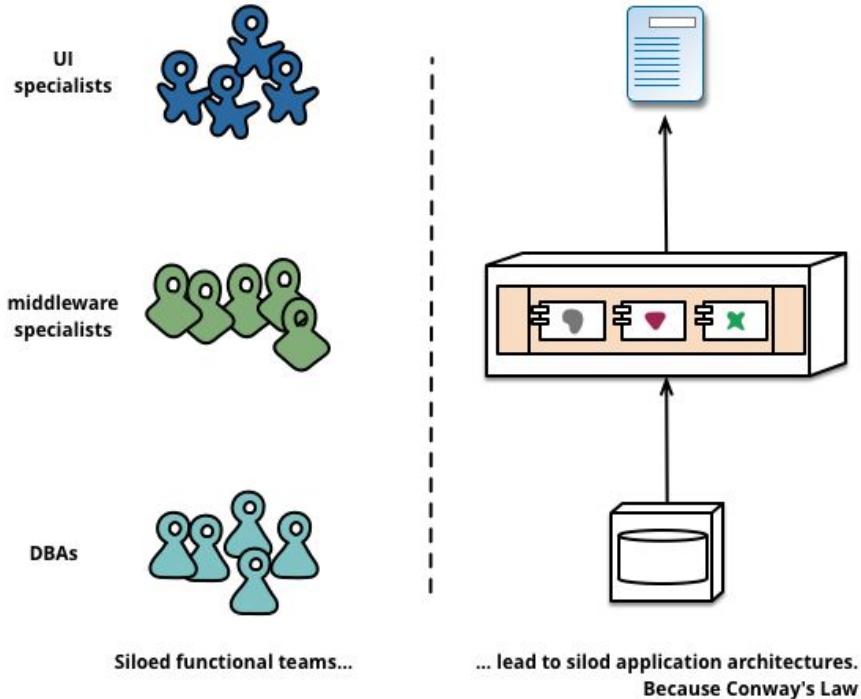


Technical Debt is Invisible but Real

	Visible	Invisible
Positive Value	New features Added functionality	Architectural, Structural features
Negative Value	Defects	Technical Debt

Conway's Law holds true

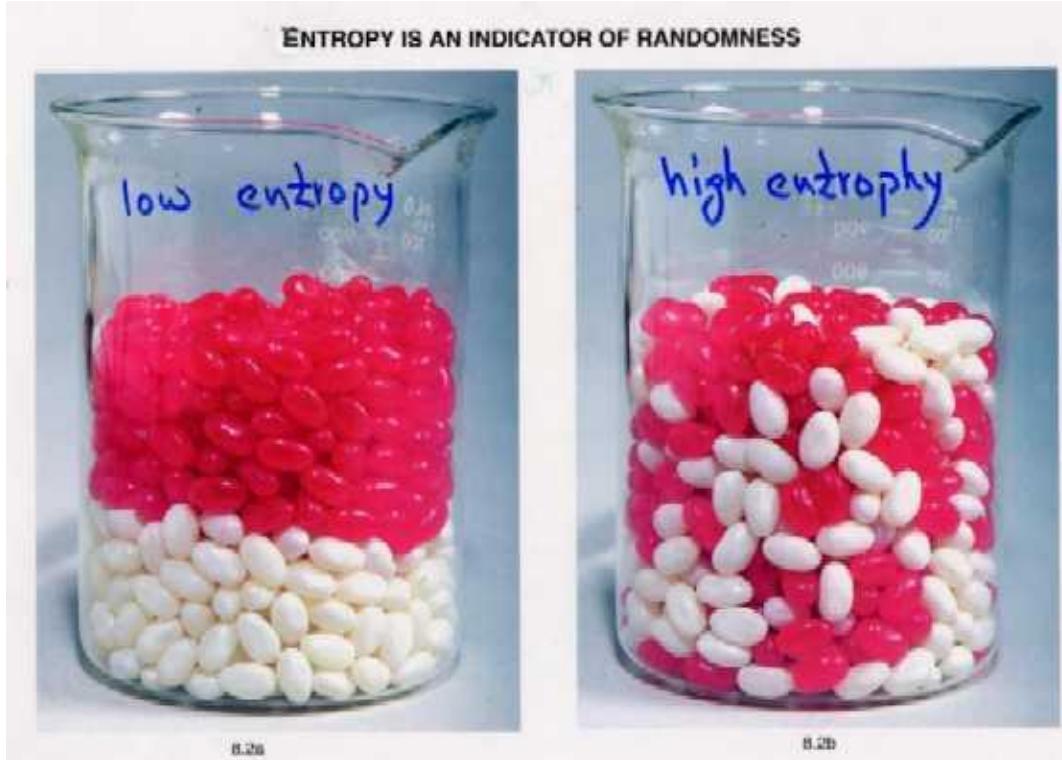
“Any organization that designs a system (defined broadly) will produce a design whose structure is a copy of the organization's communication structure.”
- Conway's Law



Source: http://melconway.com/Home/Conways_Law.html

Source: <https://martinfowler.com/articles/microservices.html#CharacteristicsOfAMicroserviceArchitecture>

Entropy always tends to increase within monoliths



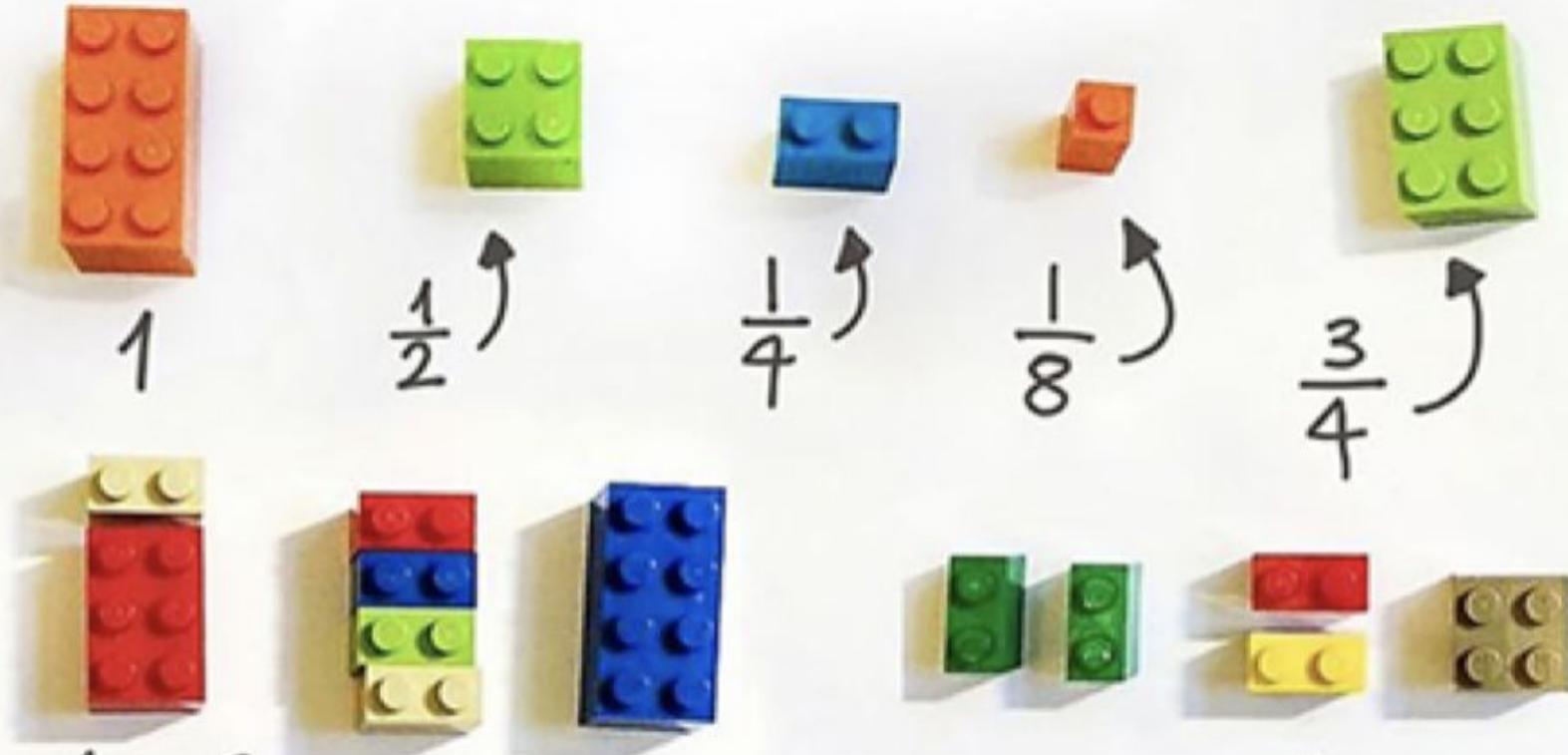
Source: http://facstaff.gpc.edu/~mkim/C1211&1212Lec/C1212_Lecture.htm

Microservices

“In short, the micro-service **architectural style** is an approach to **developing a single application** as a suite of **small services**, each running in its **own process** and **communicating** with lightweight mechanisms, often an HTTP resource **API**.

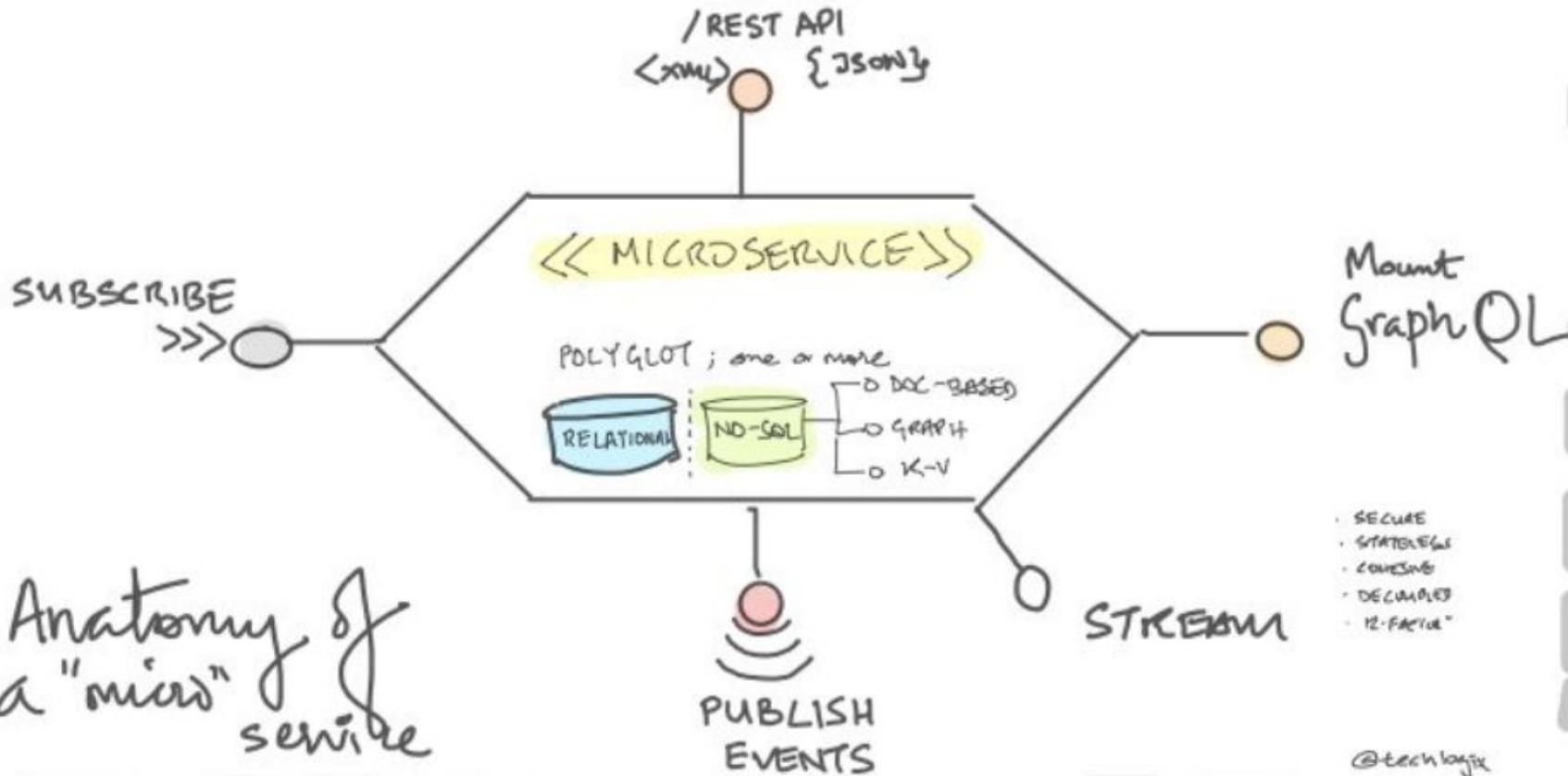
These services are built around **business capabilities** and **independently deployable** by fully **automated deployment** machinery. There is a bare **minimum of centralized management** of these services, which may be written in **different programming languages** and use **different data storage technologies**. ”

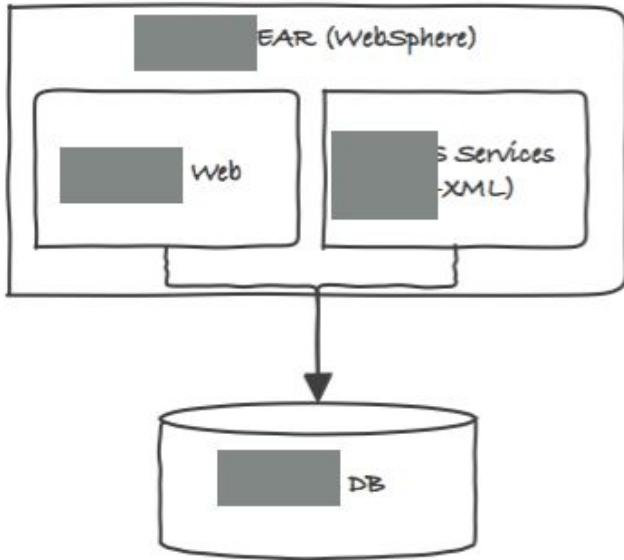
-Fowler, Lewis et al



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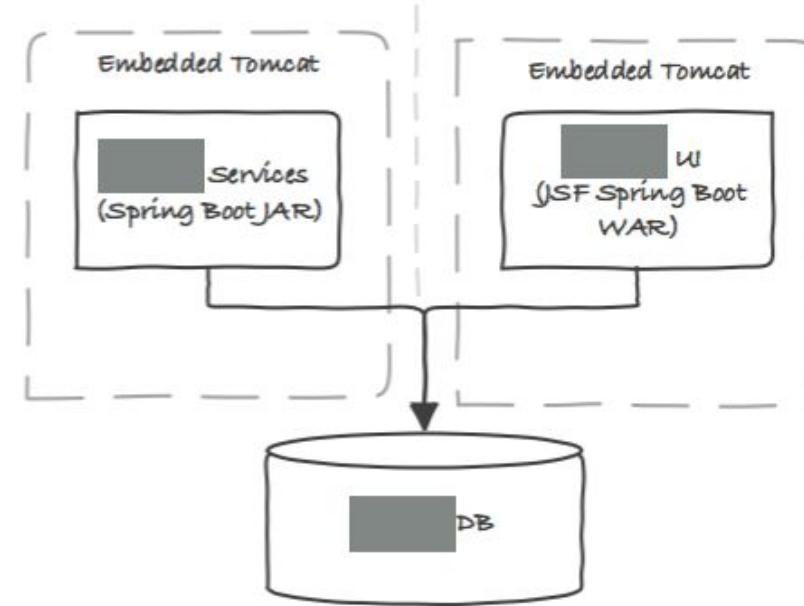
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Starting with a monolithic architecture -WAS EAR with a Shared DB between a Web App & Services within a monolith.

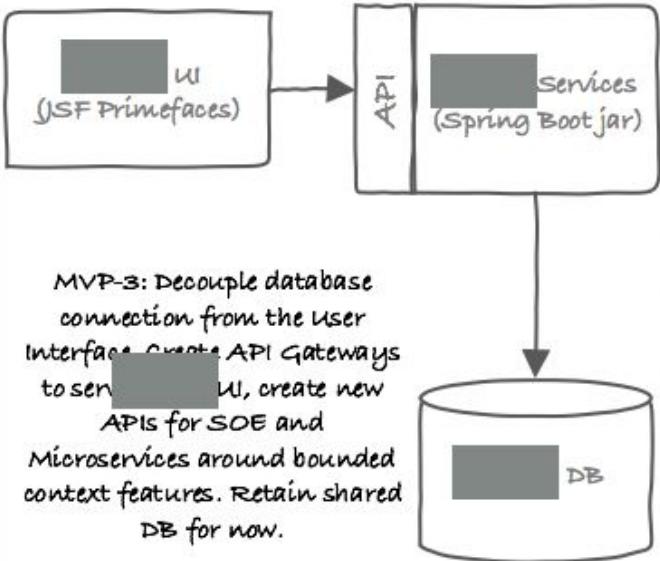
Logical Separation



Breaking down the monolith application architecture. First step: Split EAR into 2 deployments, one WAR and a jar into separate build pipelines. Keep DB as-is for replatforming. Each split is an MVP that runs separately.

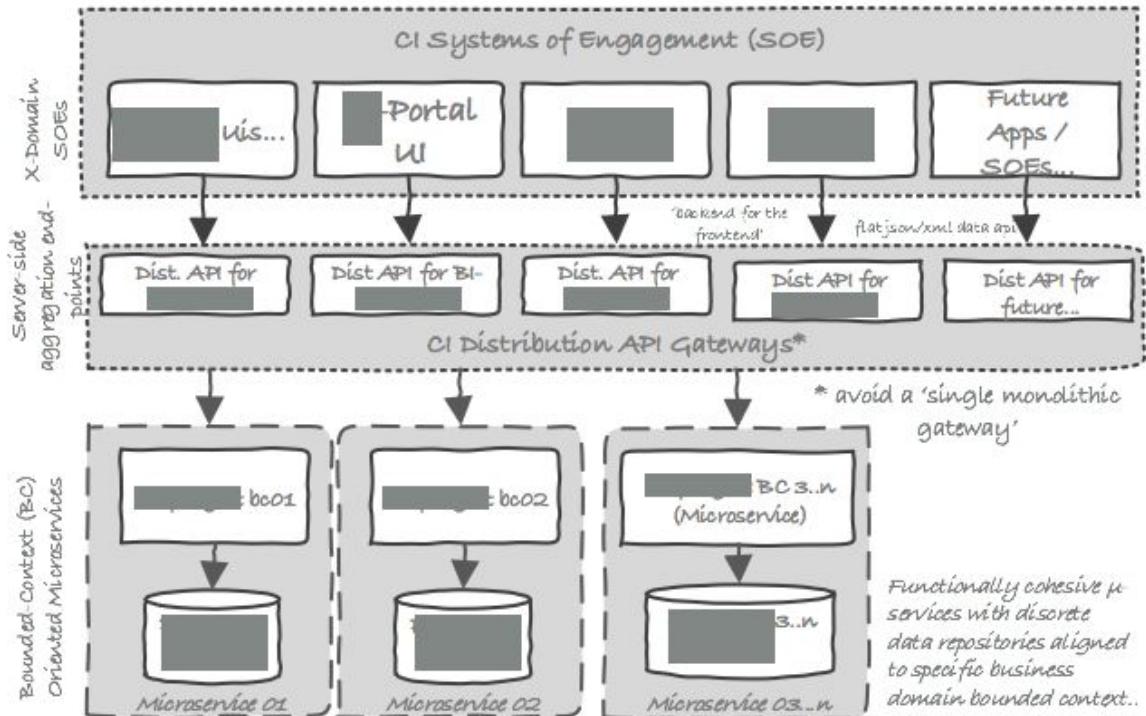
Physical Separation

MVP-3 ... Separation of UI from DB, direct Services / API invocation from UI

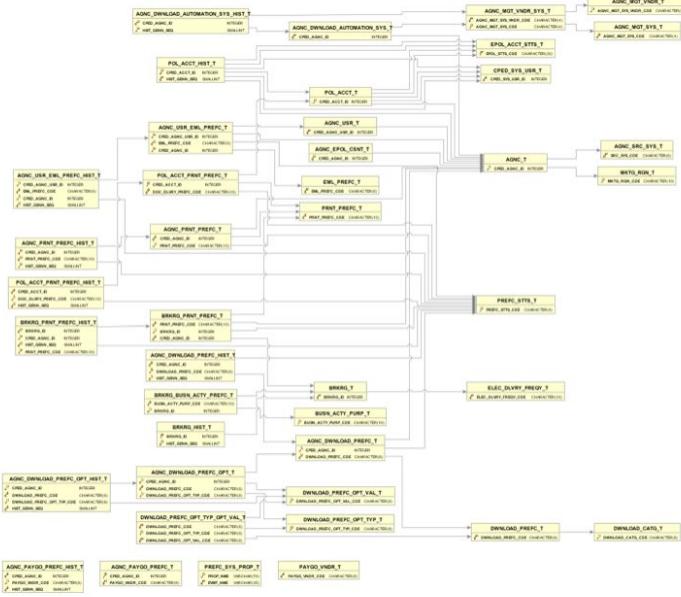


Decoupled UI

(II) POF MODERNIZATION MVP-4... "Cloud Native" API based Microservices Architecture

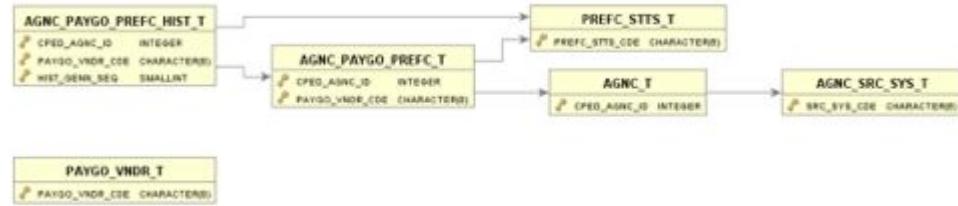


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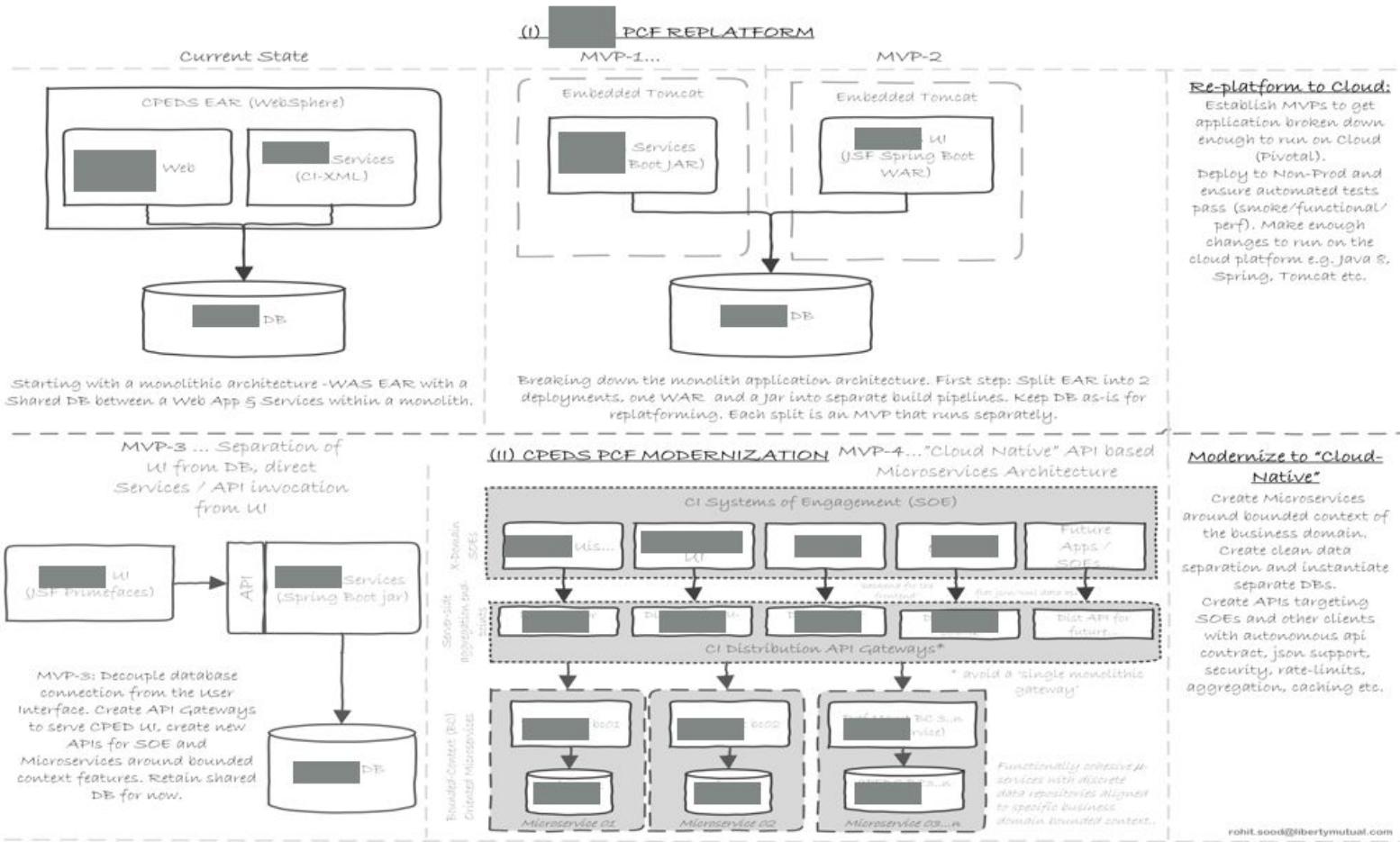
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Before



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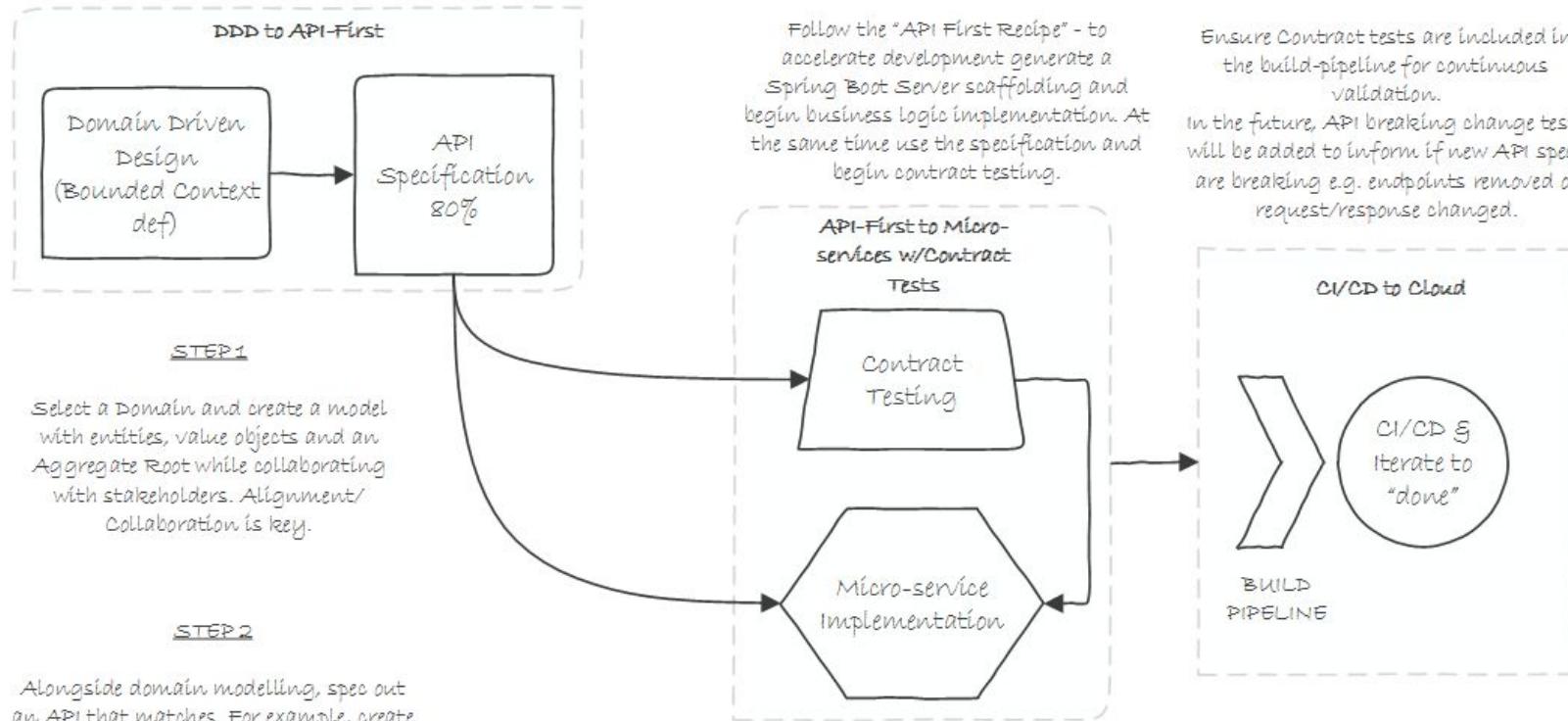




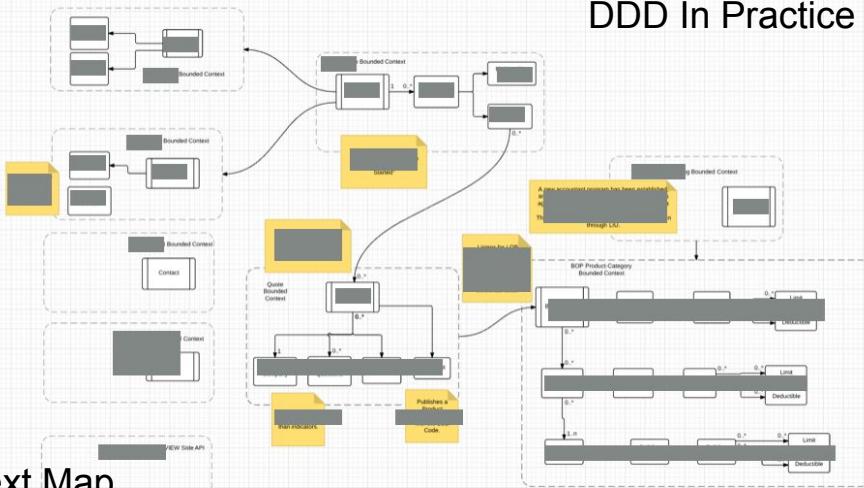
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Weeks of coding can save you hours of designing.

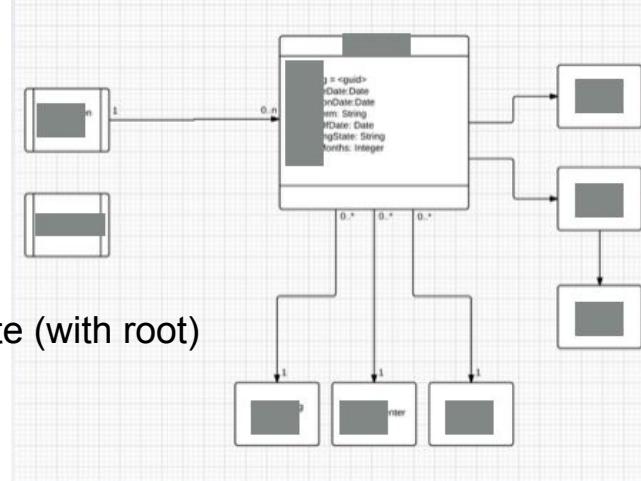




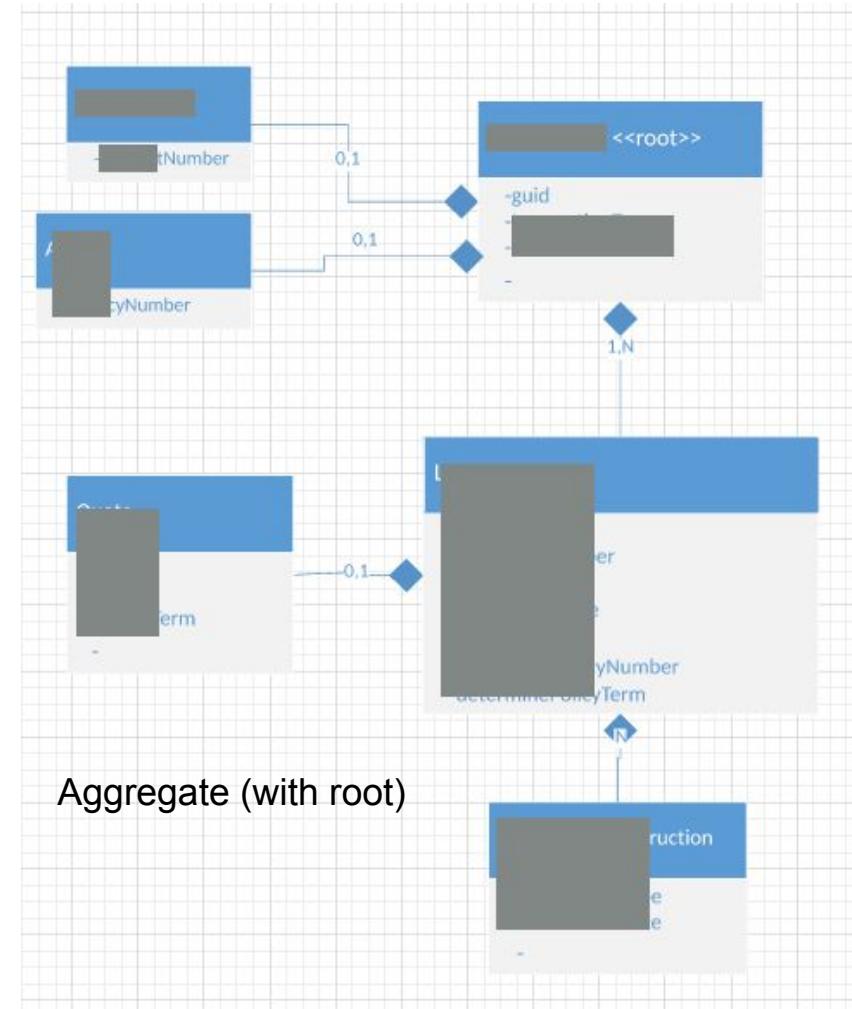
DDD In Practice

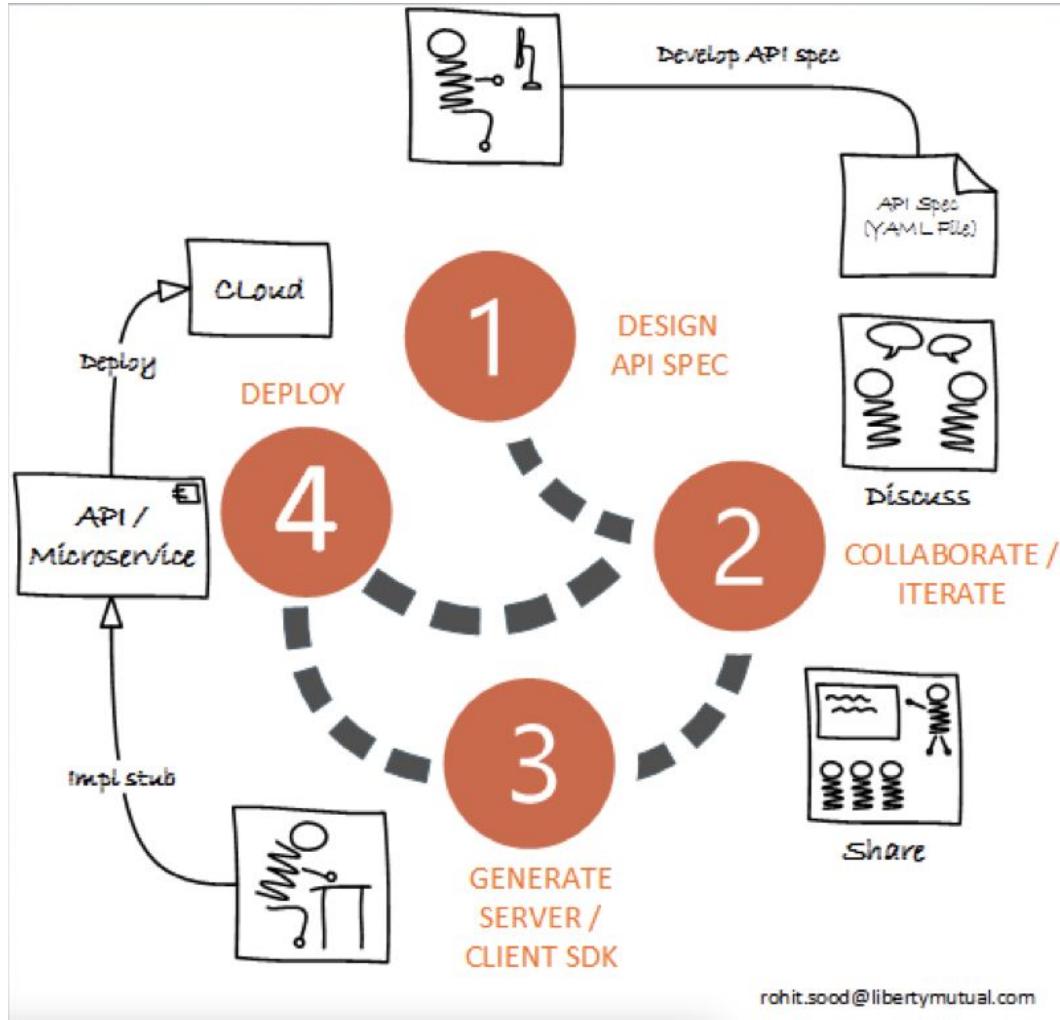


Aggregate (with root)



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1  swagger: '2.0'
2
3  info:
4    title: Commercial Lines Business Insurance Quote Write-Side API
5    description: Quote Write-Side API to manage the overall write-side of the quote bounded context
       across all lines. /quote is the aggregate root through which this API will be modeled. Basically,
       the quote will already be initiated when the business user starts a transaction. The creation of
       the quote will occur implicitly and behind-the-scenes/. This is why there is POST to the quotes end-
       point in the API. Past-tense events will be published after the quote is updated. The model
       depicted in this API is exposed for write operations only per the CQRS pattern, it is possible that the
       entities encapsulated within the service implementation are further enriched to perform the
       business logic that's expected.
6    version: "1.0.0"
7    termsOfService: http://www.libertymutual.com/terms/
8    contact:
9      name: rohit.sood@libertymutual.com
10   license:
11     name: Liberty Mutual Insurance. All rights reserved.
12     url: http://www.libertymutual.com/license
13   # the domain of the service (implementations can ignore this)
14   host: api.cl.lmig.com
15   # array of all schemes that the API supports
16   schemes:
17     - https
18   # will be prefixed to all paths
19   basePath: /v1
20   produces:
21     - application/json
22     - application/xml
23   paths:
24     /quotes/{quote-id}:
25       put:
26         summary: I
27         description: Quotes can only be updated. The quote entity will be automatically created via the Transaction
                     API with basic information. The quote root aggregate can be updated via this end-point.
28       consumes:
29         application/json
30       parameters:
31         quoteId:
32           description: the unique id of the quote
33       responses:
34         '200':
35           description: The quote has been updated successfully.
36         '400':
37           description: Bad Request
38         '401':
39           description: Unauthorized
40         '403':
41           description: Forbidden
42         '404':
43           description: Not Found
44         '500':
45           description: Internal Server Error
46         '503':
47           description: Service Unavailable

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[Base url: api.cl.lmig.com/v1]

Quote Write-Side API to manage the overall write-side of the quote bounded context across all lines. /quote is the aggregate root through which this API will be modeled. Basically, the quote will already be initiated when the business user starts a transaction. The creation of the quote will occur implicitly and behind-the-scenes/. This is why there is POST to the quotes end-point in the API. Past-tense events will be published after the quote is updated. The model depicted in this API is exposed for write operations only per the CQRS pattern, it is possible that the entities encapsulated within the service implementation are further enriched to perform the business logic that's expected.

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Schemes
HTTPS

Quote

PUT /quotes/{quote-id} Quotes can only be updated. The quote entity will be automatically created via the Transaction API with basic information. The quote root aggregate can be updated via this end-point.

Underwriting Company

POST /quotes/{quote-id}/underwriting-company Add an underwriting company to an existing quote.

Account

PUT /quotes/{quote-id}/underwriting-company Update an underwriting company to an existing quote.

DELETE /quotes/{quote-id}/underwriting-company Delete an underwriting company if one exists.

Comment

POST /quotes/{quote-id}/comment Add a comment on an existing quote.

PUT /quotes/{quote-id}/comment Update comment.

DELETE /quotes/{quote-id}/comment Delete an underwriting company if one exists.

1. Design API Spec

2. Collaborate & Refactor

The screenshot shows a software interface for generating server-side code from an API definition. On the left, there is a code editor window displaying a JSON-like configuration file:

```
1  swagger: "2.0"
2  info:
3    description: |
4      Liberty Mutual
5      Preferences
6    version: "1.0.1"
7    title: Liberty I
8    -mail Preferences
9    termsOfService:
10   contact:
11     name: rohit.s
12   license:
13     name: Liberty
14     url: http://w
15   host: ci-dist-api
16   basePath: /v1
17   schemes:
```

At the top, there are navigation menus: File, Preferences, Generate Server, Generate Client, and Help. The 'Generate Server' menu is currently active, showing a list of supported frameworks:

- Aspnet5
- Go Server
- Haskell
- Inflector
- JAX-RS
- Jaxrs Cxf
- Jaxrs Resteasy
- Jaxrs Spec
- Lumen
- Nancyfx
- Node.js
- Python Flask
- Rails5
- Scalatra
- Silex PHP
- Sinatra
- Slim
- Spring

A large red arrow points from the 'Generate Server' dropdown towards the 'Spring' option in the list.

3. Generate Server (starter)

spring-server [boot]

- src/main/java
 - Config.java
 - Notifications.java
 - ResendEmails.java
- src/main/resources
- JRE System Library [JavaSE-1.7]
- Maven Dependencies
- src
 - target
- LICENSE
- pom.xml
- README.md

localhost:8080/v1/api-docs

```
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  "info": {
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    "version": "1.0.1",
    "title": "Liberty Mutual Commercial Insurance Centralized Policy Delivery E-mail Preferences API",
    "contact": {
      "name": "Liberty Mutual Insurance. All rights reserved."
    },
    "url": "http://www.libertymutual.com/licensing"
  },
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  "basePath": "/v1",
  "tags": [
    {
      "name": "email-api-controller",
      "description": "the email API"
    }
  ],
  "paths": {
    "/email/agentuserids": {
      "tags": [
        "email notification registration list"
      ],
      "summary": "get the agent list based on email notification registration",
      "description": "All agents will be returned if no limit is set.",
      "operationId": "getEmailNotificationAgentListUsingGET",
      "consumes": [
        "application/json"
      ],
      "produces": [
        "application/xml",
        "application/json"
      ],
      "parameters": [
        {
          "name": "emailserviceagentlist",
          "in": "path",
          "description": "requested service name - available services - BillingEmailAgencyList, PolicyEmailAgencyList",
          "required": true,
          "type": "string"
        }
      ]
    }
  }
}
```

localhost:8080/v1/swagger-ui.html#resend_notification

swagger

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Agency hierarchy

Audit user

Email notification registration list

EmailAddress search

Resend notification

base URL: /v1 , API version: 1.0.1

4. Refactor/Implement Logic/Test

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5. Run

Experiences & Observations

Technical Debt is real but invisible.

Monoliths can lead to technical debt.

System Entropy always wins.

Conway's Law is true.

Microservices is not just about small services.

12 factors are important for CNA.

Go beyond the 12 factors - adopt API-First.

Breaking down monoliths with DDD.

Event Storming is a good Kickstarter to DDD.

Domain driven design should help lead to APIs first.

CQRS is a powerful pattern.

Event Sourcing is a difficult pattern - not for the faint of heart.

New technologies can bring new unknowns.

Pair programming worked very well.

Conclusions

- EDA is not the same as Event Sourcing
- Dealing with consistency is HARD.
- How do you recover ?
- Hours of design can save weeks of coding
- Pick your core architectural style
- Prefer the evolutionary approach to architecture
- Address the people challenges before the technical ones
- Event Storming can help you identify your core domain