

# **AGN-DB**

**System Architecture Specification (SAS) Presentation**

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# **1 - SYSTEM ANALYSIS**

1.1 – System Overview

1.2 – System Diagram

1.3 – Actor Identification

1.4 – Design Rationale

# 1.1 - SYSTEM OVERVIEW

## What is AGN-DB?

- AGN-DB is a sophisticated web application designed for astrophysics research. It provides a platform for exploring, analyzing, and exporting astronomical data.
- Follows a modern microservices architecture with **three main components**:
  - **React-based frontend** web application
  - A **FastAPI**-based REST API backend
  - **MariaDB** database optimized for astronomical data storage
- The architecture will allow for scalability, maintainability, and separation of concerns
  - Ideal for scientific research applications that require both performance and flexibility



# 1.2 - SYSTEM DIAGRAM

## Frontend

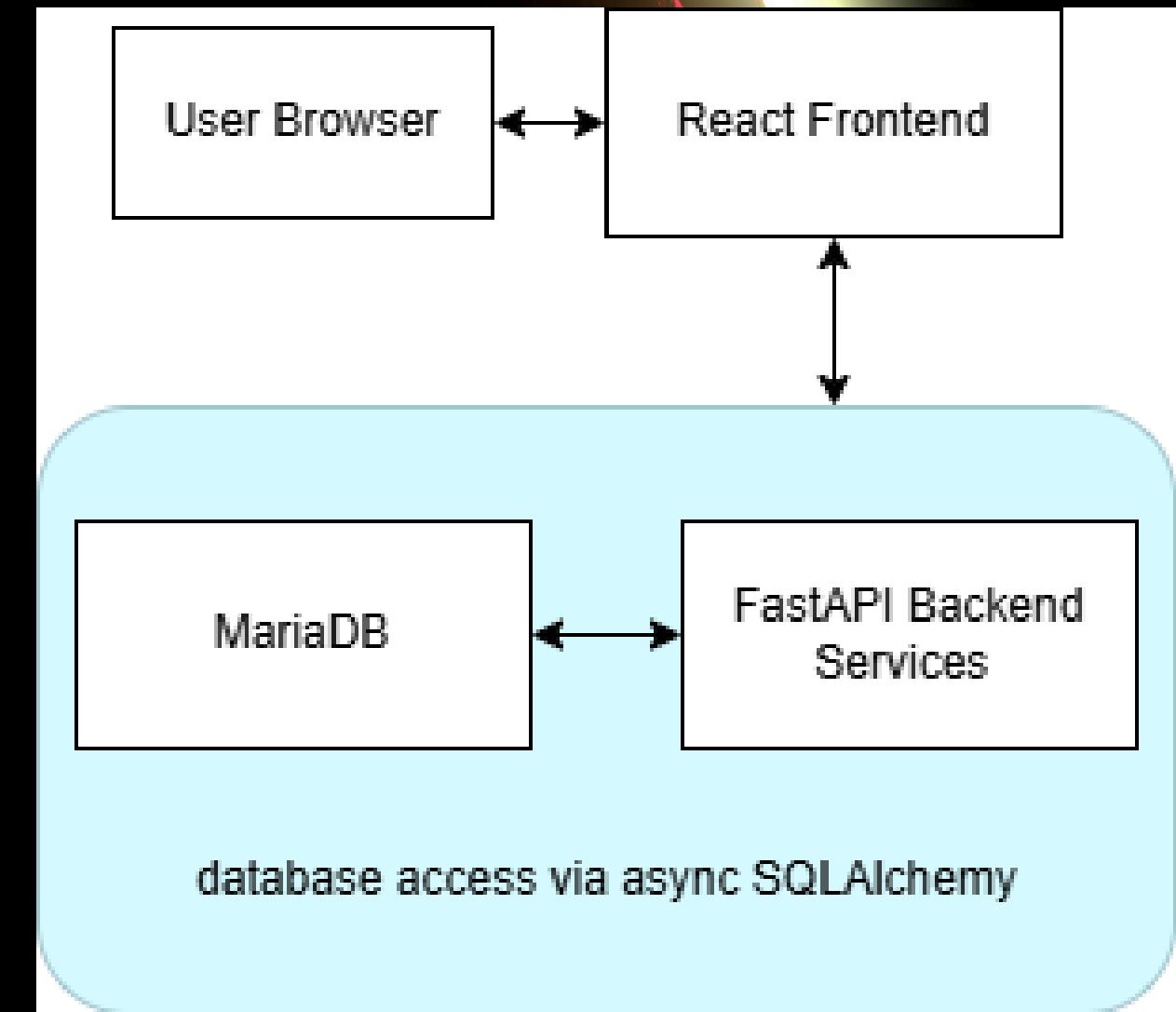
- 01 • React Single-Page Application for User Interaction

## Backend

- 02 • FastAPI-based REST API managing business logic and data processing

## Database

- 03 • MariaDB optimized for high-performance astronomical data storage



# 1.3 - ACTOR IDENTIFICATION

## AGN-DB System Actors

- **Astrophysics Researchers:** primary users who search for, analyze, and export Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) data.
- **Data Administrators:** Manage the system's dataset, handling data imports and quality control.
- **System Administrators:** Maintain the technical infrastructure, handle deployments, and monitor system health.
- **Automated System Services:** Scheduled tasks, data validation services, and external API integrations that interact with the system programmatically.

# 1.4 - DESIGN RATIONALE

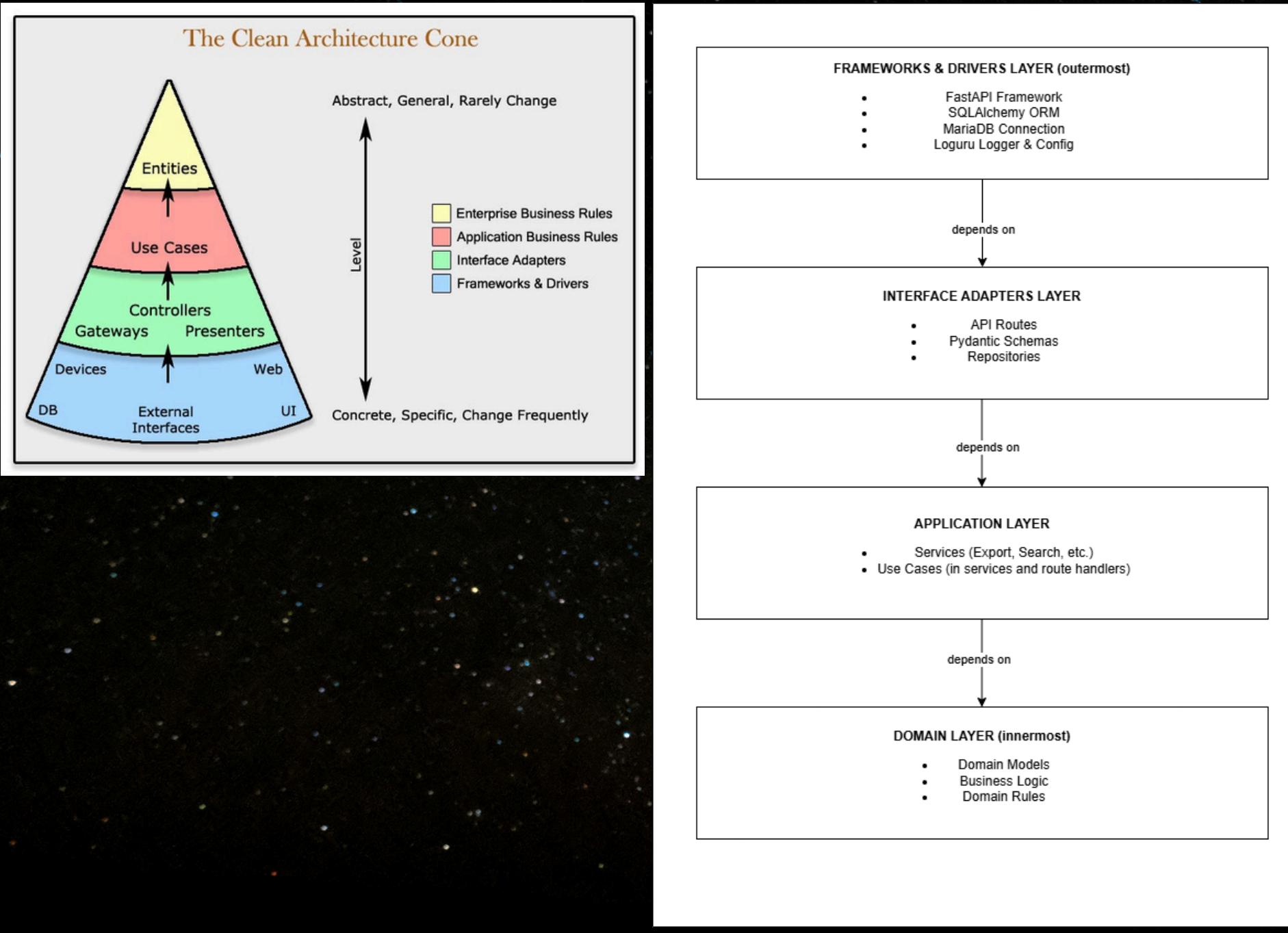
1.4.1 - Architectural Style

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1.4.3 - Frameworks

# 1.4.1 - Architectural Style

## CLEAN ARCHITECTURE & LAYERED APPROACH



- Organizes system into concentric layers around a central domain model.
- Promotes **separation of concerns** with dependencies pointing inward only.
- Entities (**Domain Layer**): Core business models and rules representing astronomical concepts, independent of application concerns.
- Use Cases (**Application Layer**): Application-specific business logic
- Controllers/Presenters (**Interface Adapters Layer**): Translates between use cases and external frameworks
- Frameworks & Drivers (**Infrastructure Layer**): External technical infrastructure including FastAPI, SQLAlchemy ORM, MariaDB, and logging components.
- Isolates scientific domain from technical concerns.
- Allows independent evolution of APIs and database layers.
- Handles complex astronomical data relationships.
- Improves maintainability and testability over time.

## 1.4.2 - Design Pattern(s)

### REPOSITORY PATTERN

- Abstracts data access logic to create a collection-like interface for domain objects.
- Decouples business logic from storage implementation.

### DEPENDENCY INJECTION

- Applied via FastAPI's dependency system to promote loose coupling
- Enhances testability by providing dependencies at runtime.

### CQRS-LITE

- Separates read (query) and write (command) operations into distinct paths.
- Allows for independent optimization of each operation type.

## 1.4.3 - Framework

### FASTAPI

- Native `async/await` support for efficient asynchronous operations.
- Auto-generates OpenAPI docs for endpoints
- Validates and serializes requests with Pydantic
- High performance compared to other Python frameworks.
- Strong typing improves dev experience and reliability

### SQLALCHEMY

- Works flexibly with raw SQL for complex queries
- Supports asynchronous operations via `asyncmy`
- Robust ORM for domain modeling
- Database-agnostic design allows easy migration
- Strong typing improves dev experience and reliability

### MARIADB

- Fork of MySQL
- High performance for 7M+ astrophysical records
- Legacy system – out of project scope for replacement

## 1.4.3 - Framework

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### REACT

- Component-based UI promotes reusability
- Industry standard with rich community support
- Works seamlessly with TypeScript for type-safe development.

### PYDANTIC

- Strong request validation in FastAPI
- Clear error messages for invalid data
- Python-native type annotations

### MARIADB

- Easy, structured logging with rich features
- Supports contextual error reporting and exception capture

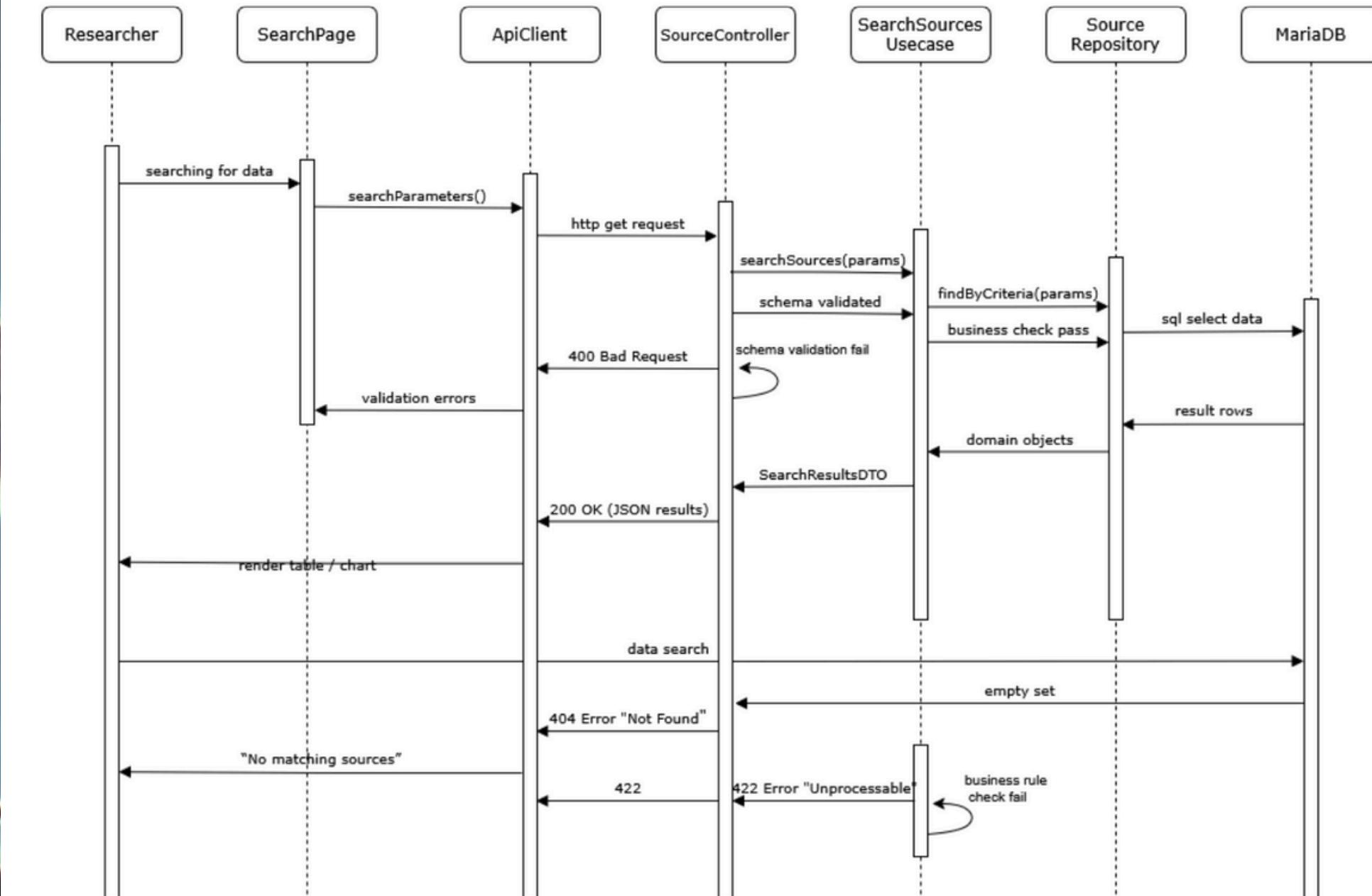
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**2.1 - Data Query Workflow**

**2.2 - Data Export Workflow**

# FUNCTIONAL DESIGN

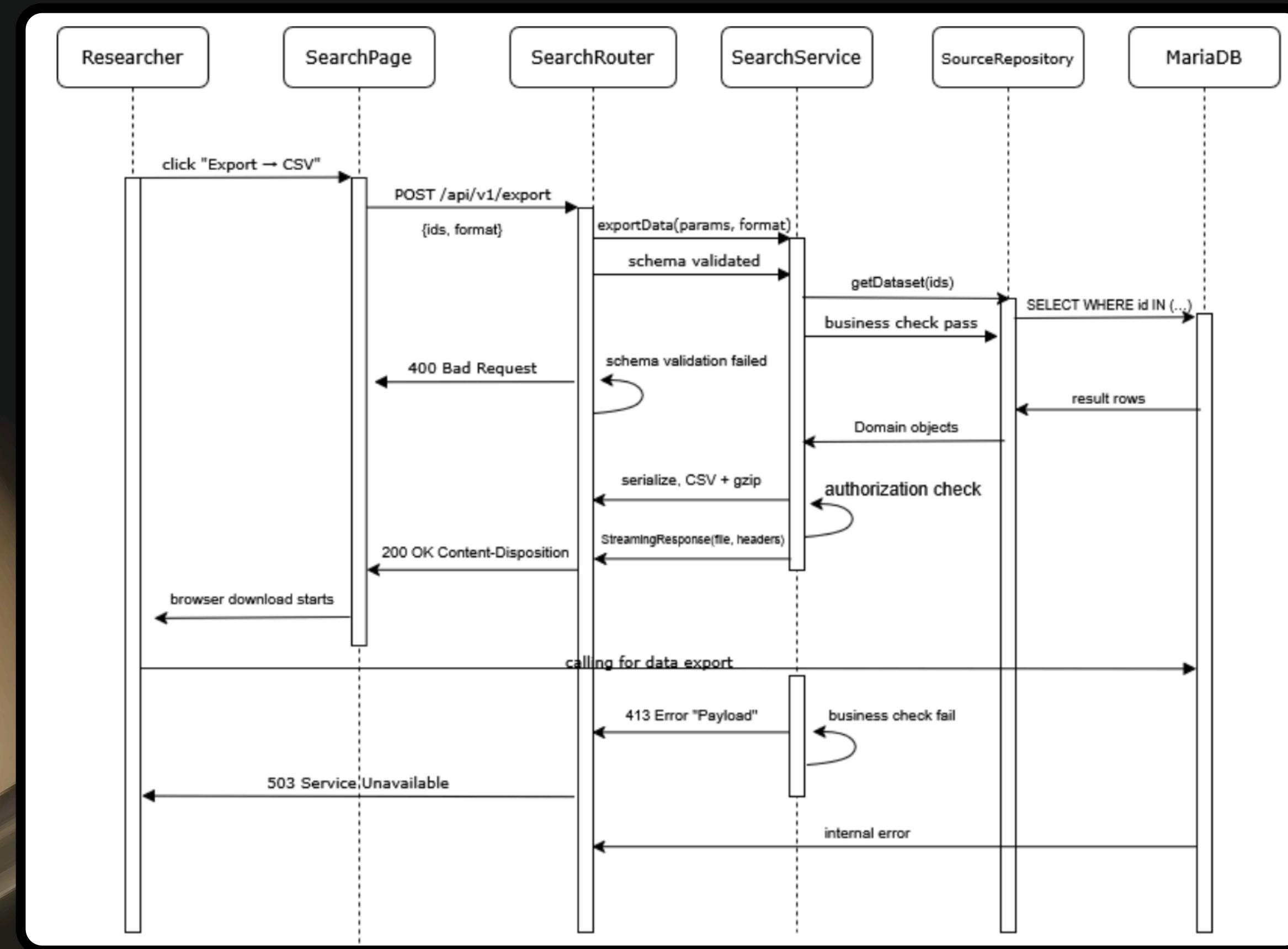
## 2.1



2.1 – Data Query Workflow

# FUNCTIONAL DESIGN 2.2

## 2.2 – Data Export Workflow



# **3 - STRUCTURAL DESIGN**

3.1 – Core Entity Class Diagram

3.2 – Repository Layer Class Diagram

3.3 – API Class Layer Diagram

# 3.1 - CORE ENTITY CLASS DIAGRAM

## Central Entity: SourceAGN

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- Represents each astronomical object
  - Linked to Photometry, Redshift, and Classification records.

## One-to-Many Relationships

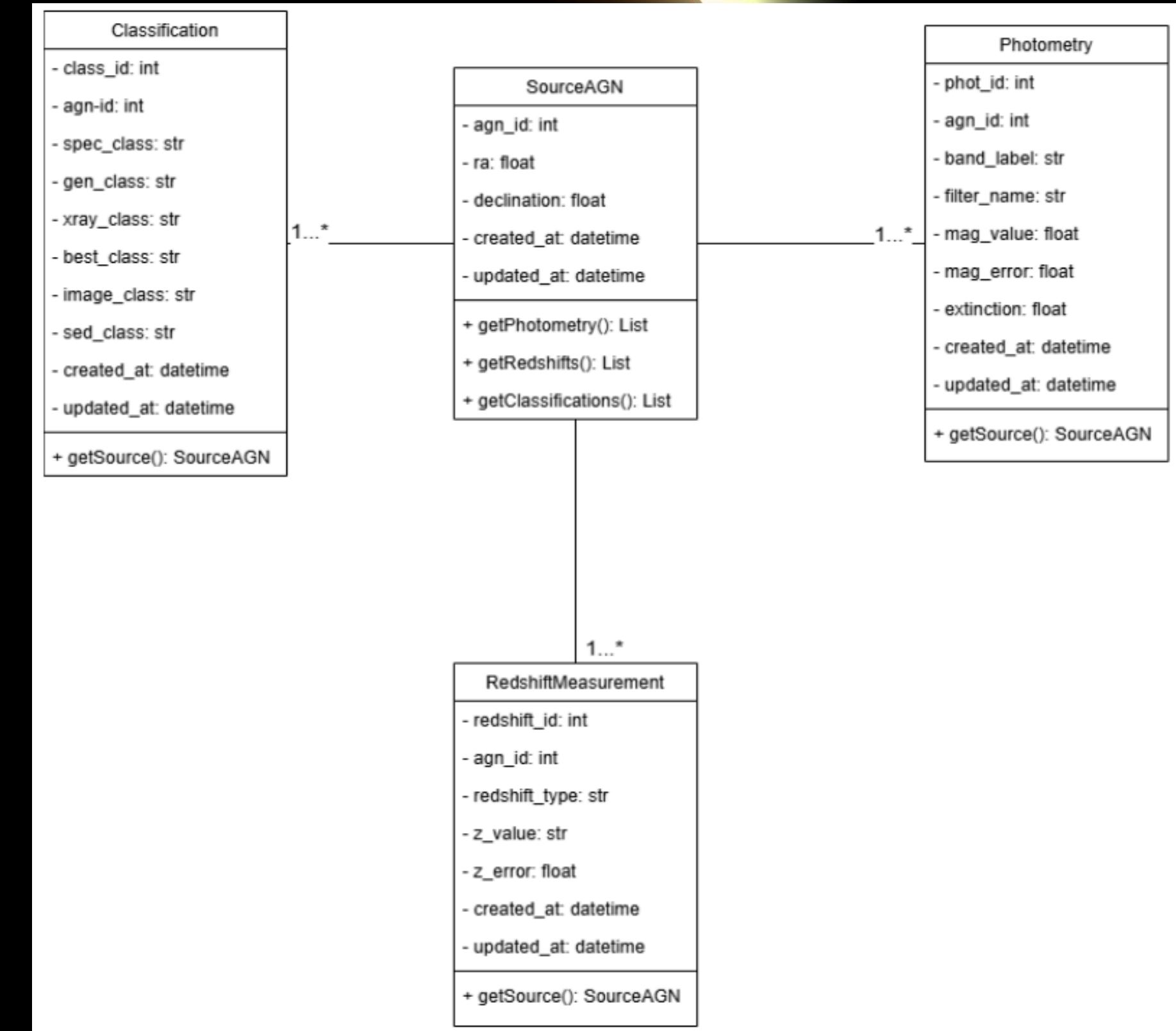
- 02
- Each SourceAGN connects to multiple:
    - Photometry measurements
    - Redshift measurements
    - Classifications

## Scientific Data Modeling

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- Captures brightness, distance, and type attributes
  - Includes timestamps for tracking updates

## Design Advantages

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- Modular & extensible for new data types
  - Supports traceability & scientific accuracy



# 3.2 - REPOSITORY LAYER CLASS DIAGRAM

## BaseRepository Abstraction

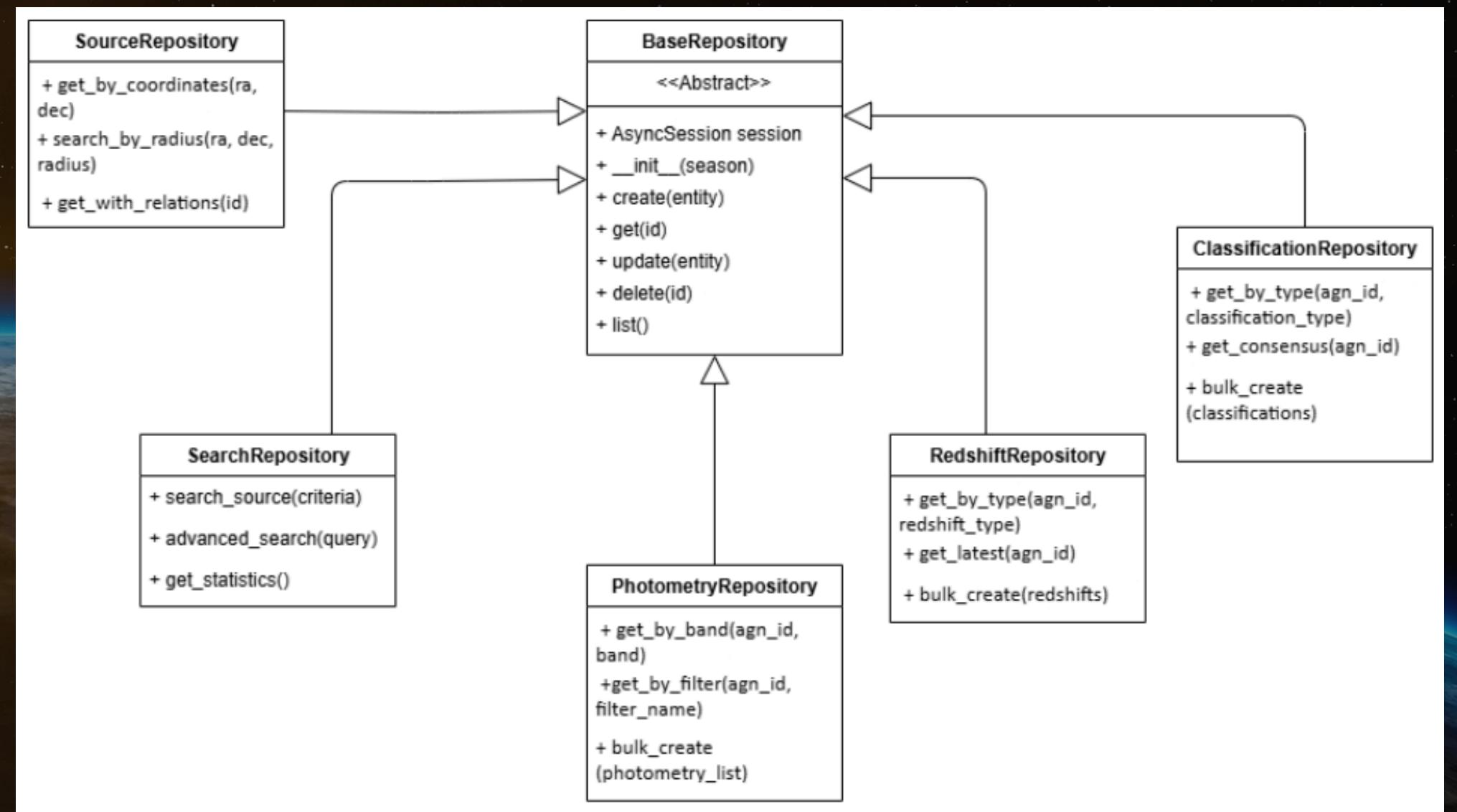
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- Defines common async CRUD methods.
  - Uses SQLAlchemy sessions for database access.
  - All other repositories inherit from this base.

## Domain-Specific Repositories

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- Extend the base and add specialized queries:
  - Examples:
    - *SourceRepository*: get by coordinates
    - *PhotometryRepository*: filter by band
    - *ClassificationRepository*: get consensus classifications

## Benefits

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- Promotes **code reuse** and **separation of concerns**.
  - Enhances **maintainability** and modular growth of data access logic.



## 3.3 - API LAYER CLASS DIAGRAM

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# CQRS API Structure

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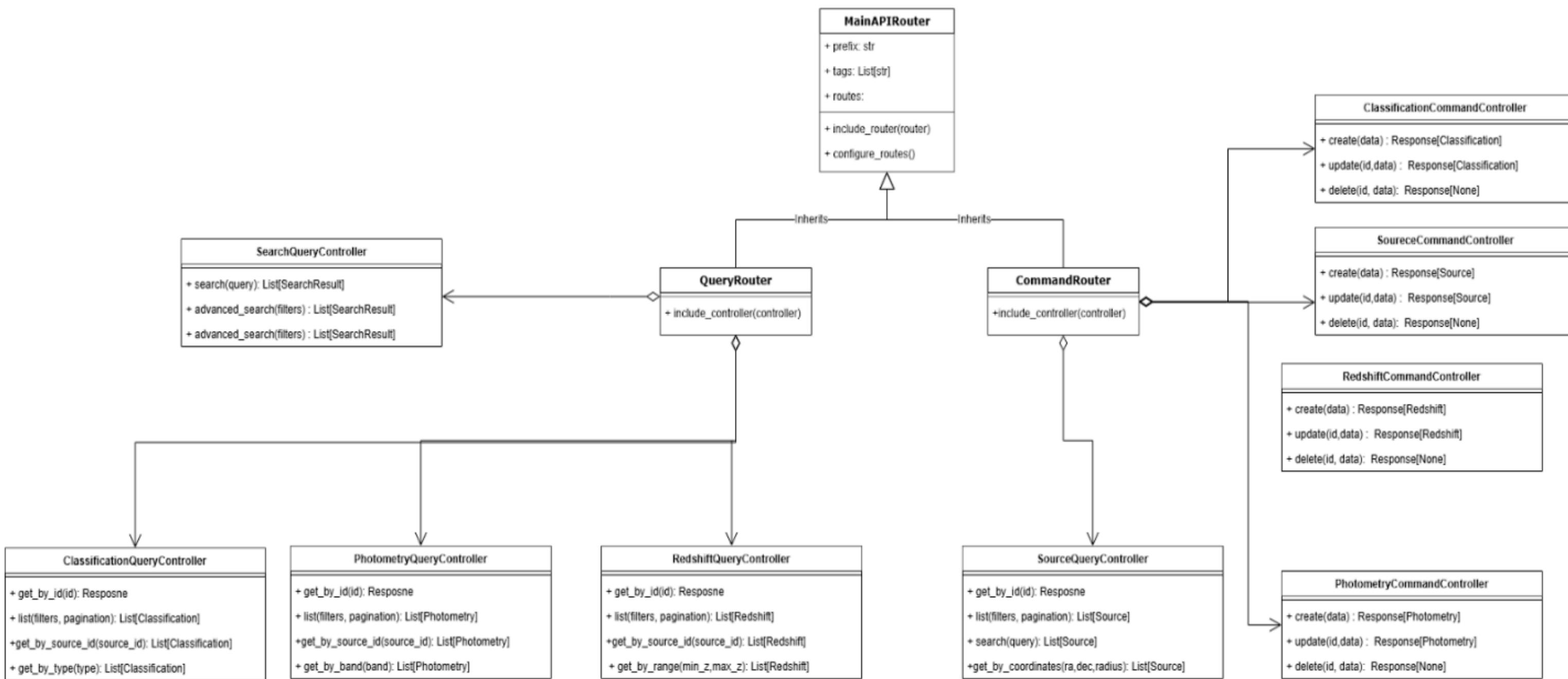
## Command Controllers

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# Query Controllers

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# 4 Benefits



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