

# Kai Health Assistant - Decoupled System Architecture

## System Overview

The Kai Health Assistant is a comprehensive health information system for Sierra Leone, consisting of two main applications:

- WhatsApp Bot Service** - Node.js/TypeScript service that bridges WhatsApp messages to Geneline-X AI
- Admin Dashboard** - Next.js web application for managing the bot, users, and health content

Both applications share a common Supabase database for data persistence and synchronization.

## High-Level Architecture (Decoupled Design)

```
graph TB
    subgraph "External Users"
        USERS["👤 WhatsApp Users<br/>(Citizens of Sierra Leone)"]
        ADMINS["👮 Admin Users<br/>(Health Workers, Supervisors)"]
    end

    subgraph "Client Layer"
        WA["📱 WhatsApp<br/>Messaging Platform"]
        BROWSER["🌐 Web Browser<br/>(Admin Dashboard)"]
    end

    subgraph "Application Layer"
        direction TB

        subgraph "WhatsApp Bot Service (Node.js)"
            direction LR
            BOT_API["🚀 API Server<br/>(Express)"]
            BOT_CORE["⚙️ Core Application<br/>(Orchestrator)"]
        end

        subgraph "Message Processing Pipeline"
            WA_CLIENT["WhatsApp Client<br/>(whatsapp-web.js)"]
            MSG_HANDLER["Message Handler"]
            QUEUE_MGR["Queue Manager<br/>(Rate Limiting)"]
            MSG_WORKER["Message Worker"]
        end

        subgraph "AI Agent Framework"
            AGENT_LOOP["Agent Loop<br/>(Multi-step Reasoning)"]
            CONV_HISTORY["Conversation<br/>Memory"]
            TOOLS["Agent Tools"]
        end

        subgraph "Services Layer"
            VOICE_SVC["Voice Service<br/>(Transcription)"]
            LOCATION_SVC["Location Service<br/>(Health Centers)"]
            BROADCAST_SVC["Broadcast<br/>Scheduler"]
            CONTENT_GEN["AI Content<br/>Generator"]
        end
    end

    subgraph "Admin Dashboard (Next.js)"
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        direction LR
        DASH_UI["🖥️ Dashboard UI<br/>(React Components)"]
        DASH_API["API Routes<br/>(Next.js)"]
        DASH_ACTIONS["Server Actions<br/>(Data Layer)"]
    end
end

subgraph "Data Layer"
    DB[(🗄️ Supabase PostgreSQL<br/><br/>• users<br/>• messages<br/>• escalations<br/>• health_topics<br/>• broadcasts<br/>• special_contacts<br/>• bot_settings)]
end

subgraph "External Services"
    AI["🧠 Geneline-X AI<br/>(LLM API)"]
    VOICE_API["🎤 Voice Processing<br/>(Transcription API)"]
end

%% User connections
USERS --> WA
ADMINS --> BROWSER

%% Client to Application
WA <--> WA_CLIENT
BROWSER <--> DASH_UI

%% WhatsApp Bot internal flow
WA_CLIENT --> MSG_HANDLER
MSG_HANDLER --> QUEUE_MGR
QUEUE_MGR --> MSG_WORKER
MSG_WORKER --> AGENT_LOOP
AGENT_LOOP --> TOOLS
AGENT_LOOP --> CONV_HISTORY
MSG_WORKER --> WA_CLIENT

%% Services connections
MSG_WORKER --> VOICE_SVC
MSG_WORKER --> LOCATION_SVC
TOOLS --> LOCATION_SVC
BROADCAST_SVC --> WA_CLIENT
CONTENT_GEN --> DB

%% Bot API connections
BOT_API --> WA_CLIENT
BOT_API --> QUEUE_MGR
BOT_CORE --> WA_CLIENT
BOT_CORE --> QUEUE_MGR
BOT_CORE --> MSG_HANDLER
BOT_CORE --> MSG_WORKER
BOT_CORE --> BROADCAST_SVC

%% Dashboard connections
DASH_UI --> DASH_API
DASH_API --> DASH_ACTIONS
DASH_ACTIONS --> DB

%% Database connections

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MSG_HANDLER --> DB
MSG_WORKER --> DB
AGENT_LOOP --> DB
BROADCAST_SVC --> DB
VOICE_SVC --> DB
LOCATION_SVC --> DB

%% External service connections
AGENT_LOOP --> AI
VOICE_SVC --> VOICE_API
CONTENT_GEN --> AI

%% Admin Dashboard to Bot API
DASH_ACTIONS -.HTTP API.-> BOT_API

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style BOT_CORE fill:#5B7BFF,stroke:#333,color:#fff
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style DASH_UI fill:#F38181,stroke:#333,color:#fff

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## Detailed Component Architecture

### 1. WhatsApp Bot Service - Hexagonal Architecture

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graph TB
    subgraph "External Systems (Adapters)"
        WA_EXT["WhatsApp Platform"]
        DB_EXT["Supabase Database"]
        AI_EXT["Geneline-X AI API"]
        VOICE_EXT["Voice API"]
    end

    subgraph "Ports Layer (Interfaces)"
        direction LR
        PORT_MSG["🔌 MessageSender<br/>Port"]
        PORT_PROC["🔌 MessageProcessor<br/>Port"]
        PORT_DATA["🔌 DataRepository<br/>Port"]
        PORT_ESC["🔌 EscalationDetector<br/>Port"]
        PORT_VOICE["🔌 VoiceProcessor<br/>Port"]
    end

    subgraph "Domain Core (Business Logic)"
        direction TB
        CORE["📦 Use Cases<br/><br/>• handleIncomingMessage<br/>• processQueuedMessage<br/>• sendResponse<br/>• detectEscalation<br/>• processBroadcast"]
        TYPES["💠 Domain Types<br/><br/>• Message<br/>• User<br/>• Escalation<br/>• AgentResult<br/>• Broadcast"]
        EVENTS["📡 Event System<br/><br/>• MESSAGE_RECEIVED<br/>• ESCALATION_DETECTED<br/>• RESPONSE_SENT"]

        CORE --- TYPES
    end

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    CORE --- EVENTS
end

subgraph "Adapter Implementations"
    direction LR
    ADAPT_WA["WhatsApp<br/>Adapter"]
    ADAPT_AGENT["Agent Loop<br/>Adapter"]
    ADAPT_DB["Supabase<br/>Adapter"]
    ADAPT_ESC["Escalation<br/>Adapter"]
    ADAPT_VOICE["Voice<br/>Adapter"]
end

subgraph "Application Orchestrator"
    APP["🌀 Application<br/><br/>• Initialize components<br/>• Wire dependencies<br/>• Start/stop services"]
end

%% Port connections
CORE --> PORT_MSG
CORE --> PORT_PROC
CORE --> PORT_DATA
CORE --> PORT_ESC
CORE --> PORT_VOICE

%% Adapter to Port
ADAPT_WA -.implements.-> PORT_MSG
ADAPT_AGENT -.implements.-> PORT_PROC
ADAPT_DB -.implements.-> PORT_DATA
ADAPT_ESC -.implements.-> PORT_ESC
ADAPT_VOICE -.implements.-> PORT_VOICE

%% External to Adapter
WA_EXT <--> ADAPT_WA
ADAPT_AGENT <--> AI_EXT
ADAPT_DB <--> DB_EXT
ADAPT_VOICE <--> VOICE_EXT

%% Application orchestration
APP --> CORE
APP --> EVENTS
APP --> ADAPT_WA
APP --> ADAPT_AGENT
APP --> ADAPT_DB
APP --> ADAPT_ESC
APP --> ADAPT_VOICE

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```

## Message Processing Flow

```
sequenceDiagram
    participant User as 🧑 WhatsApp User
    participant WA as WhatsApp Client
    participant Handler as Message Handler
    participant Queue as Queue Manager
    participant Worker as Message Worker
    participant Agent as Agent Loop
    participant Tools as Agent Tools
    participant AI as Geneline-X AI
    participant DB as Supabase DB
    participant Voice as Voice Service

    User->>WA: Send message/voice
    WA->>Handler: message event

    alt Voice Message
        Handler->>Voice: Transcribe audio
        Voice->>AI: Transcription request
        AI-->>Voice: Text transcript
        Voice-->>Handler: Transcribed text
    end

    Handler->>DB: Store user & message
    DB-->>Handler: User ID, Message ID

    Handler->>Queue: Enqueue message
    Note over Queue: Rate limiting<br/>per chat

    Queue->>Worker: Process message

    Worker->>DB: Get conversation history
    DB-->>Worker: Previous messages

    Worker->>Agent: Process with context

    loop Multi-step Reasoning
        Agent->>Agent: Analyze message
        Agent->>Tools: Call tool (if needed)

        alt Knowledge Search Tool
            Tools->>AI: Search knowledge base
            AI-->>Tools: Relevant information
        end

        alt Location Search Tool
            Tools->>DB: Query health centers
            DB-->>Tools: Nearby facilities
        end

        alt Escalation Check Tool
            Tools->>DB: Check escalation criteria
            DB-->>Tools: Escalation needed?
        end
    end

    end
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Tools-->>Agent: Tool results
Agent-->>AI: Generate response
AI-->>Agent: AI response
end

Agent-->>Worker: Final response + metadata

alt Escalation Detected
  Worker-->>DB: Create escalation
  Worker-->>DB: Notify health workers
end

Worker-->>DB: Store response
Worker-->>WA: Send response to user
WA-->>User: Receive response

Worker-->>DB: Update analytics

```

## Admin Dashboard Architecture

```

graph TB
  subgraph "Presentation Layer"
    direction TB

    subgraph "Dashboard Pages"
      DASH_HOME["🇮🇹 Dashboard Home<br/>(Analytics)"]
      USERS_PAGE["👤 Users Management"]
      MSG_PAGE["💬 Messages"]
      ESC_PAGE["🚨 Escalations"]
      BROADCAST_PAGE["📢 Broadcasts"]
      TOPICS_PAGE["📖 Health Topics"]
      SETTINGS_PAGE["⚙️ Settings"]
      TRAINING_PAGE["🎓 Training<br/>(Document Upload)"]
    end

    subgraph "Shared Components"
      NAV["Navigation Sidebar"]
      HEADER["Header"]
      CHARTS["Chart Components"]
      TABLES["Data Tables"]
      FORMS["Forms"]
      MODALS["Dialogs/Modals"]
    end
  end

  subgraph "API Layer"
    direction LR

    subgraph "Next.js API Routes"
      AUTH_API["🔑 Authentication"]
      USERS_API["Users API"]
      MSG_API["Messages API"]
      ESC_API["Escalations API"]
    end
  end

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        BROADCAST_API["Broadcasts API"]
        TOPICS_API["Health Topics API"]
        SETTINGS_API["Settings API"]
        TRAINING_API["Training API"]
    end

    subgraph "Server Actions"
        USER_ACTIONS["User Actions"]
        ESC_ACTIONS["Escalation Actions"]
        BROADCAST_ACTIONS["Broadcast Actions"]
        TOPIC_ACTIONS["Topic Actions"]
        SETTINGS_ACTIONS["Settings Actions"]
    end
end

subgraph "External Integration"
    BOT_API_EXT["🤖 Bot API<br/>(Express Server)"]
end

subgraph "Data Layer"
    DB_DASH["🗄️ Supabase<br/><br/>Shared Database)"]
end

%% Page to Component connections
DASH_HOME --> CHARTS
USERS_PAGE --> TABLES
MSG_PAGE --> TABLES
ESC_PAGE --> TABLES
ESC_PAGE --> MODALS
BROADCAST_PAGE --> FORMS
TOPICS_PAGE --> TABLES
SETTINGS_PAGE --> FORMS
TRAINING_PAGE --> FORMS

%% All pages use shared components
DASH_HOME --> NAV
USERS_PAGE --> NAV
MSG_PAGE --> NAV
ESC_PAGE --> NAV
BROADCAST_PAGE --> NAV
TOPICS_PAGE --> NAV
SETTINGS_PAGE --> NAV
TRAINING_PAGE --> NAV

%% Pages to API
DASH_HOME --> AUTH_API
USERS_PAGE --> USER_ACTIONS
MSG_PAGE --> MSG_API
ESC_PAGE --> ESC_ACTIONS
BROADCAST_PAGE --> BROADCAST_ACTIONS
TOPICS_PAGE --> TOPIC_ACTIONS
SETTINGS_PAGE --> SETTINGS_ACTIONS
TRAINING_PAGE --> TRAINING_API

%% Server Actions to Database
USER_ACTIONS --> DB_DASH

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ESC_ACTIONS --> DB_DASH
BROADCAST_ACTIONS --> DB_DASH
TOPIC_ACTIONS --> DB_DASH
SETTINGS_ACTIONS --> DB_DASH

%% API Routes to Database
AUTH_API --> DB_DASH
USERS_API --> DB_DASH
MSG_API --> DB_DASH
ESC_API --> DB_DASH
BROADCAST_API --> DB_DASH
TOPICS_API --> DB_DASH
SETTINGS_API --> DB_DASH
TRAINING_API --> DB_DASH

%% External Bot API integration
ESC_ACTIONS -.HTTP.-> BOT_API_EXT
BROADCAST_ACTIONS -.HTTP.-> BOT_API_EXT
TRAINING_API -.HTTP.-> BOT_API_EXT

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style DB_DASH fill:#4ECDC4,stroke:#333,color:#fff
style BOT_API_EXT fill:#95E1D3,stroke:#333,color:#000

```

## Database Schema (Supabase)

```

erDiagram
    USERS ||--o{ MESSAGES : sends
    USERS ||--o{ ESCALATIONS : has
    USERS ||--o{ BROADCAST_INTERACTIONS : interacts
    MESSAGES ||--o| ESCALATIONS : triggers
    AUTOMATED_BROADCASTS ||--o{ BROADCAST_INTERACTIONS : tracks
    HEALTH_TOPICS ||--o{ AUTOMATED_BROADCASTS : contains

    USERS {
        uuid id PK
        string phone UK
        string name
        string language
        string role
        timestamp created_at
        timestamp last_active
    }

    MESSAGES {
        uuid id PK
        uuid user_id FK
        text content
        string direction
        boolean is_voice
        string intent
        boolean is_escalated
        uuid escalation_id FK
    }

```



```
        timestamp created_at
    }

    ESCALATIONS {
        uuid id PK
        uuid user_id FK
        uuid message_id FK
        text reason
        string trigger_type
        string priority
        string status
        string assigned_to
        text admin_notes
        text admin_response
        timestamp created_at
        timestamp resolved_at
    }

    HEALTH_TOPICS {
        uuid id PK
        string title
        string category
        text short_message
        text detailed_info
        json prevention_tips
        string icon_emoji
        boolean is_active
        int priority
        int times_sent
        timestamp created_at
    }

    AUTOMATED_BROADCASTS {
        uuid id PK
        string topic_id FK
        string target_audience
        timestamp scheduled_time
        string status
        int sent_count
        int delivered_count
        int interaction_count
        timestamp created_at
    }

    BROADCAST_INTERACTIONS {
        uuid id PK
        uuid broadcast_id FK
        uuid user_id FK
        string interaction_type
        timestamp created_at
    }

    SPECIAL_CONTACTS {
        uuid id PK
        string phone UK
        string name
    }
```

```

        string role
        string status
        timestamp created_at
    }

    BOT_SETTINGS {
        uuid id PK
        string setting_key UK
        json setting_value
        string updated_by
        timestamp updated_at
    }

    INTENTS {
        uuid id PK
        string name UK
        text description
        int qa_count
        timestamp created_at
    }

    HEALTH_ALERTS {
        uuid id PK
        string type
        string severity
        string title
        text message
        string disease
        boolean is_active
        date start_date
        date end_date
        timestamp created_at
    }

```

## Agent Framework Architecture

```

graph TB
    subgraph "Agent Loop (Multi-step Reasoning)"
        direction TB

        INPUT["🗨️ User Message Input"]

        subgraph "Context Building"
            HISTORY["Conversation History<br/>(Last N messages)"]
            ROLE["Role-based Prompts<br/>(Support/Health Worker/Admin)"]
            SYSTEM["System Prompt<br/>(Topic Restriction)"]
        end

        PROMPT_BUILD["Prompt Builder<br/>(Combine context)"]

        subgraph "AI Processing"
            AI_CALL["Geneline-X API Call<br/>(Streaming)"]
            TOOL_PARSE["Tool Call Parser"]
        end
    end

```

```

subgraph "Tool Registry"
    TOOL_KNOWLEDGE["📖 Knowledge Search<br/>(Query AI knowledge base)"]
    TOOL_LOCATION["📍 Location Search<br/>(Find health centers)"]
    TOOL_ESCALATION["🚑 Escalation Check<br/>(Detect urgent cases)"]
    TOOL_ALERTS["⚠️ Health Alerts<br/>(Get active alerts)"]
end

TOOL_EXEC["Tool Executor"]
RESPONSE_BUILD["Response Builder"]
OUTPUT["📤 Final Response"]

INPUT --> HISTORY
INPUT --> ROLE
HISTORY --> PROMPT_BUILD
ROLE --> PROMPT_BUILD
SYSTEM --> PROMPT_BUILD

PROMPT_BUILD --> AI_CALL
AI_CALL --> TOOL_PARSE

TOOL_PARSE -->|Tool call detected| TOOL_EXEC
TOOL_EXEC --> TOOL_KNOWLEDGE
TOOL_EXEC --> TOOL_LOCATION
TOOL_EXEC --> TOOL_ESCALATION
TOOL_EXEC --> TOOL_ALERTS

TOOL_KNOWLEDGE --> RESPONSE_BUILD
TOOL_LOCATION --> RESPONSE_BUILD
TOOL_ESCALATION --> RESPONSE_BUILD
TOOL_ALERTS --> RESPONSE_BUILD

TOOL_PARSE -->|No tool call| RESPONSE_BUILD
RESPONSE_BUILD --> OUTPUT

RESPONSE_BUILD -.Loop for multi-step.-> PROMPT_BUILD
end

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style OUTPUT fill:#4ECDC4,stroke:#333,color:#fff
style AI_CALL fill:#FF6B6B,stroke:#333,color:#fff
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```

## Deployment Architecture

```

graph TB
    subgraph "Production Environment"
        direction TB

        subgraph "Railway (Bot Service)"
            BOT_CONTAINER["🐳 Docker Container<br/><br/>Node.js + Chromium<br/>WhatsApp Bot Service"]
            BOT_VOLUME["💾 Persistent Volume<br/>(.webjs_auth)<br/>WhatsApp Session"]
        end
    end

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    BOT_CONTAINER --> BOT_VOLUME
end

subgraph "Vercel (Admin Dashboard)"
    DASH_DEPLOY["⚡ Serverless Functions<br/><br/>Next.js Admin Dashboard"]
end

subgraph "Supabase Cloud"
    SUPABASE_DB["🗄️ PostgreSQL Database<br/>(Shared)"]
    SUPABASE_AUTH["🔑 Authentication"]
    SUPABASE_STORAGE["📦 Storage<br/>(Media files)"]
end

subgraph "External Services"
    GENELINE["🌐 Geneline-X AI API<br/>(message.geneline-x.net)"]
end

subgraph "Users"
    WA_USERS["📱 WhatsApp Users"]
    ADMIN_USERS["👤 Admin Users"]
end

%% User connections
WA_USERS <--> BOT_CONTAINER
ADMIN_USERS <--> DASH_DEPLOY

%% Service connections
BOT_CONTAINER <--> SUPABASE_DB
BOT_CONTAINER <--> GENELINE
DASH_DEPLOY <--> SUPABASE_DB
DASH_DEPLOY <--> SUPABASE_AUTH
DASH_DEPLOY -.HTTP API.-> BOT_CONTAINER

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style SUPABASE_DB fill:#4ECDC4,stroke:#333,color:#fff
style GENELINE fill:#95E1D3,stroke:#333,color:#000

```

## Key Design Principles

### 1. Separation of Concerns

- **WhatsApp Bot:** Handles messaging, AI processing, and real-time interactions
- **Admin Dashboard:** Manages configuration, monitoring, and content creation
- **Shared Database:** Single source of truth for all data

### 2. Hexagonal Architecture (Ports & Adapters)

- **Domain Core:** Pure business logic, no external dependencies
- **Ports:** Interface contracts defining what the domain needs
- **Adapters:** Concrete implementations that connect to external systems
- **Benefits:** Easy to test, swap implementations, and extend functionality

### 3. Event-Driven Communication

- Components communicate via events, not direct calls

- Enables loose coupling and easy feature addition
- Examples: MESSAGE\_RECEIVED , ESCALATION\_DETECTED , RESPONSE\_SENT

#### 4. Queue-Based Processing

- In-memory FIFO queue with per-chat rate limiting
- Prevents overwhelming the AI API
- Ensures messages are processed in order

#### 5. Role-Based Access Control

- Users have roles: support , health\_worker , supervisor , admin
- Different prompts and capabilities based on role
- Managed via special\_contacts table

#### 6. Scalability Considerations

- **Current:** Single instance with in-memory queue
- **Future:** Can migrate to Redis/BullMQ for distributed queue
- **Future:** Microservices architecture for independent scaling

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### Technology Stack

Layer	Technology
WhatsApp Bot	Node.js, TypeScript, Express
WhatsApp Client	whatsapp-web.js, Puppeteer
Admin Dashboard	Next.js 14, React, TypeScript
UI Components	shadcn/ui, Tailwind CSS
Database	Supabase (PostgreSQL)
AI/LLM	Geneline-X API
Deployment	Railway (Bot), Vercel (Dashboard)
Logging	Winston
Scheduling	node-cron

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### Data Flow Summary

#### Incoming Message Flow

1. User sends WhatsApp message
2. WhatsApp client receives message
3. Message handler stores user & message in DB
4. Message enqueued with rate limiting
5. Worker processes message with AI agent
6. Agent uses tools (knowledge search, location, etc.)
7. Response generated and sent back
8. Analytics updated in DB

#### Escalation Flow

1. Agent detects urgent case or user requests help
2. Escalation record created in DB
3. Health workers notified via WhatsApp

4. Admin views escalation in dashboard
5. Admin sends response via dashboard
6. Response delivered to user via bot API
7. Escalation marked as resolved

### Broadcast Flow

1. Admin creates health topic in dashboard
  2. Broadcast scheduled with target audience
  3. Cron job checks for pending broadcasts
  4. Bot sends messages to target users
  5. User interactions tracked in DB
  6. Analytics displayed in dashboard
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## Security & Privacy

- **Authentication:** Supabase Auth for admin dashboard
  - **API Keys:** Admin API protected with API key authentication
  - **Data Encryption:** All data encrypted at rest (Supabase)
  - **HTTPS:** All external communications over HTTPS
  - **Role-Based Access:** Granular permissions based on user roles
  - **Session Persistence:** WhatsApp sessions stored securely in persistent volume
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## Future Enhancements

### Phase 1: Current State

- Decoupled domain with hexagonal architecture
- Event-based communication
- In-memory queue with rate limiting

### Phase 2: Scalability

- Migrate to Redis/BullMQ for distributed queue
- Add caching layer (Redis)
- Implement CQRS for read/write separation

### Phase 3: Microservices

- Split adapters into independent services
- REST/GraphQL APIs between services
- Independent scaling and deployment
- Service mesh for inter-service communication