



# Virtualization

## Concepts of Virtualization

(Mastering Cloud Computing: Chapter#3)

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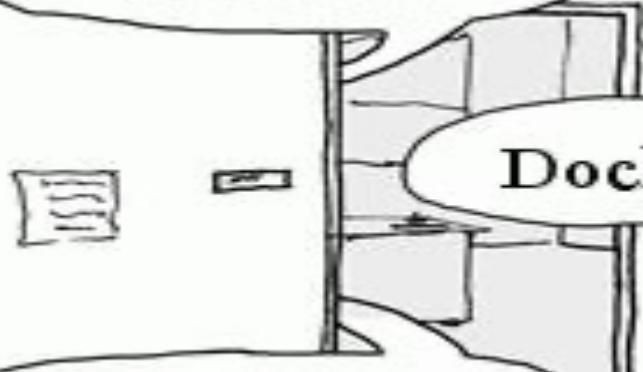
# THE #1 PROGRAMMER EXCUSE FOR LEGITIMATELY SLACKING OFF:

"My Docker containers are building!"

HEY! GET BACK  
TO WORK!

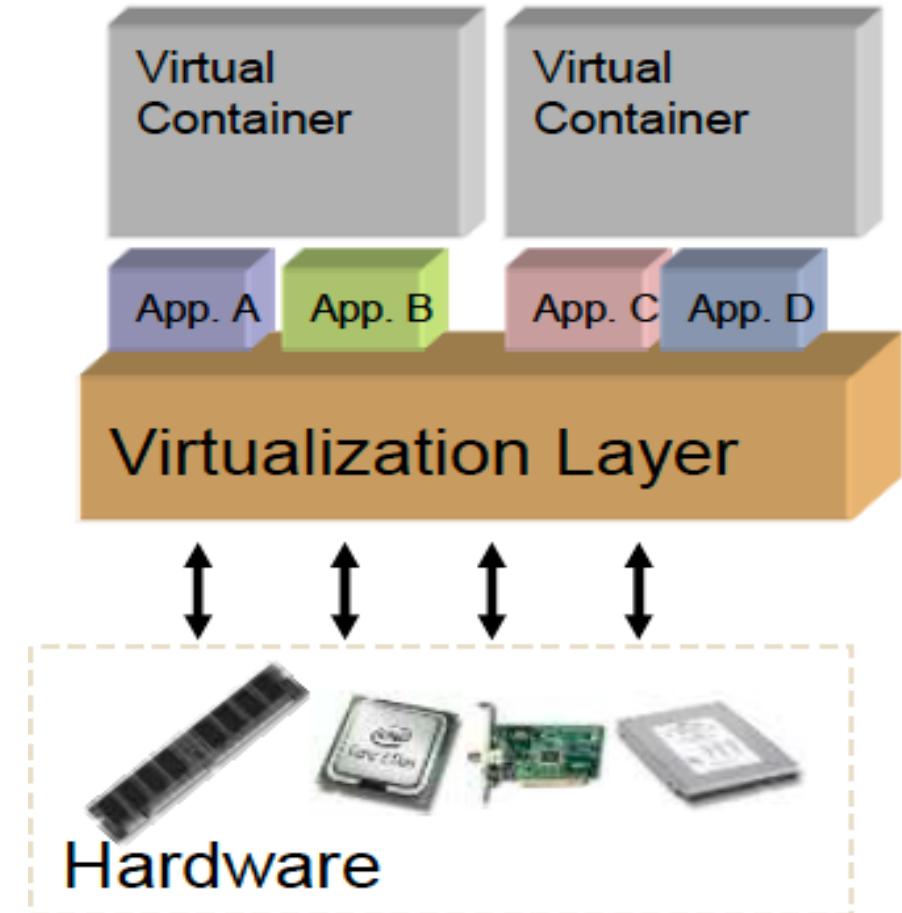
Docker!

OH. CARRY ON.



# Definition...

- Virtualization, in computing, refers to the **act of creating a virtual** (rather than actual) **version of something...**
- ... **virtual computer hardware platform, operating system (OS), storage device, network resources**
- Pooling of **physical resource** from multiple resources to appear as **single device managed by single physical server & distribute them**

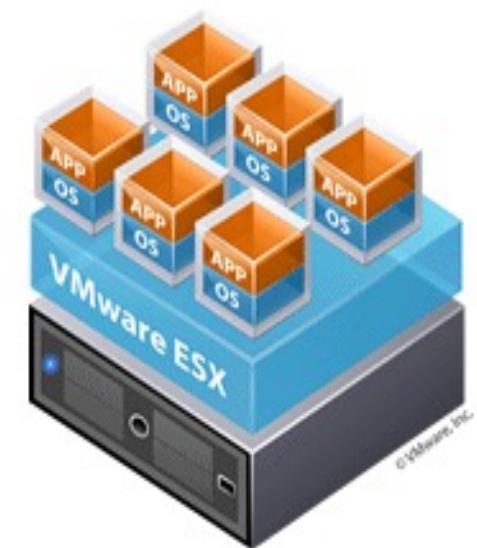


# Simple definitions ...

- Virtualization is a **Technology** that **transforms hardware into software**.
- Allows **multiple isolated version OS's and workloads** to run on the same **physical** hardware as virtual machines.
- **Application** virtualization allows you to **distribute multiple copies** of an **application** from a **single** physical server.
- Provide **direct access** to the hardware resources to give much **greater performance**



Traditional Architecture



Virtual Architecture

# Organization Chart

## ➤ PARTITIONING

- Run multiple operating systems on one physical machine
- Share physical resources between virtual machines

## ➤ PORTABILITY

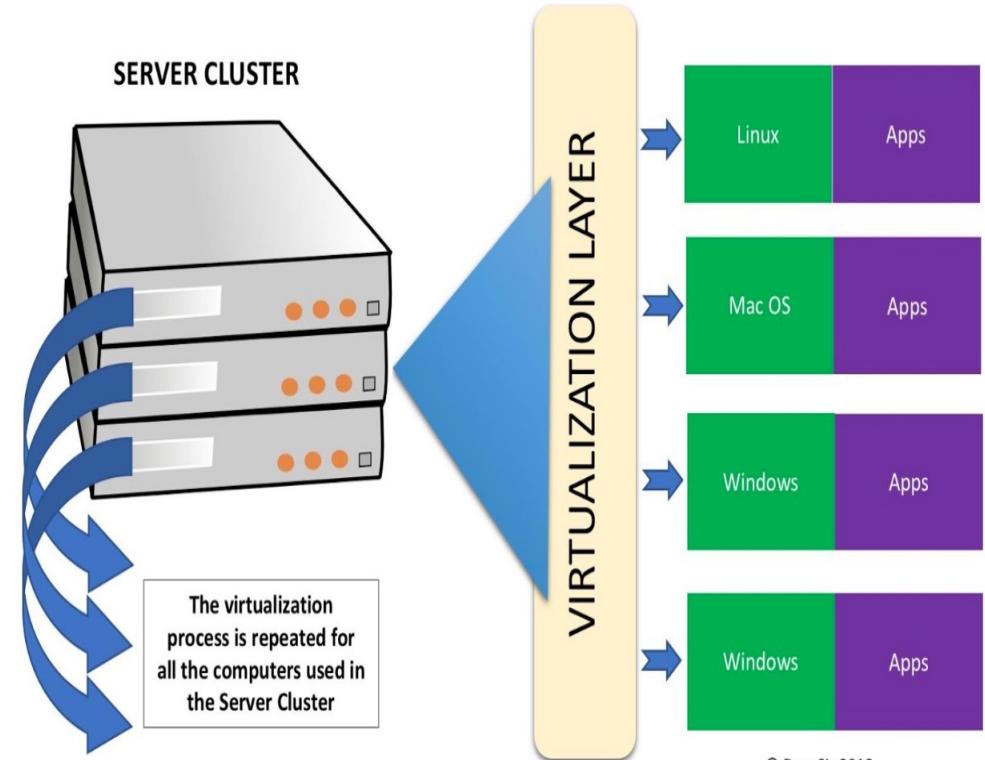
- Entire virtual machine is saved as a file, so...
- Move, copy, or export as easily as a file

## ➤ SECURITY

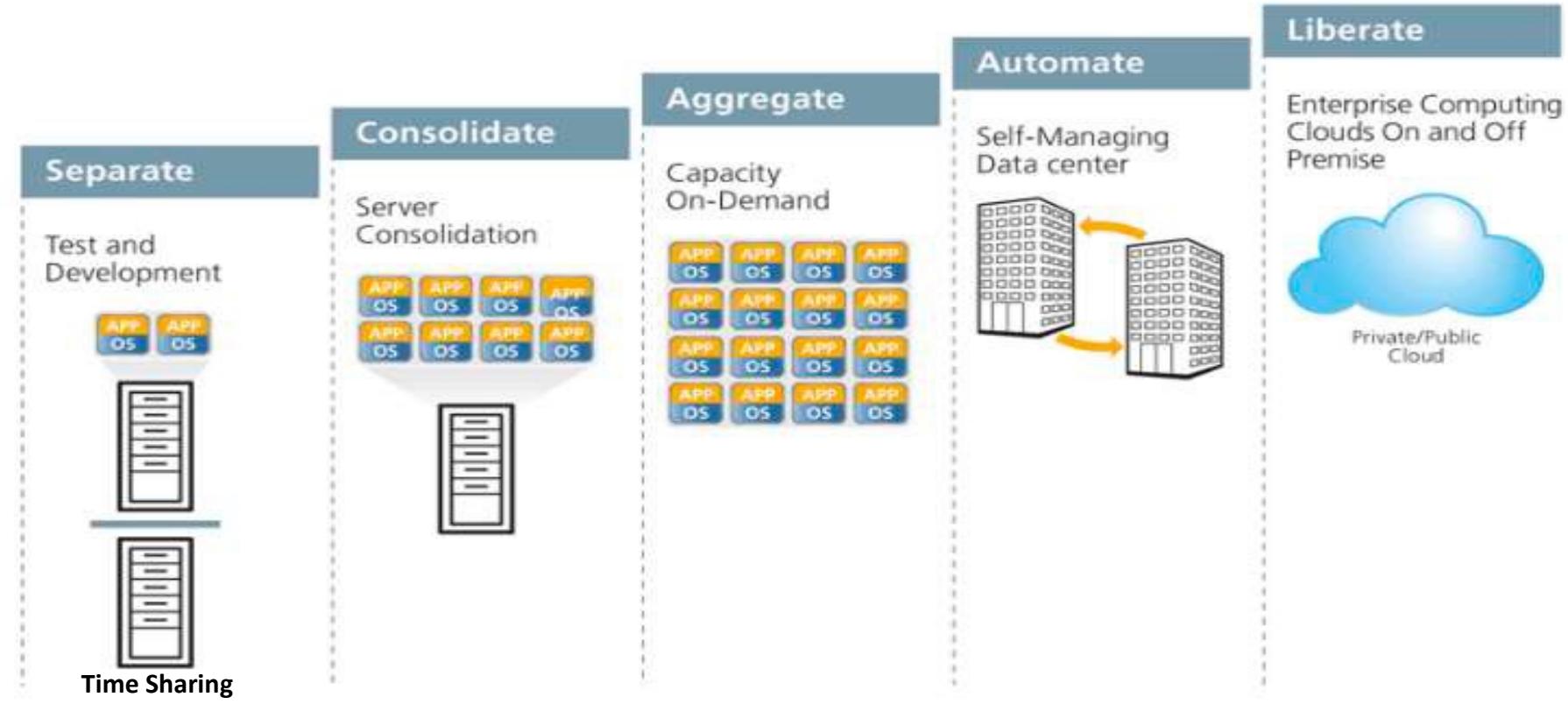
- Hardware is isolated from the operating system
- Recovery as easily as restoring a file

## ➤ AGNOSTIC

- Migrate a virtual machine between similar, or different, physical servers



# Evolution of Virtualization towards Cloud



# Short History

1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	Today
The age of the Mainframe <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Centralized computing</li><li>▪ First virtualization</li><li>▪ Thin Clients</li></ul>	The PC arrives <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Decentralized computing</li></ul>	Things get complicated <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ PC sprawl</li><li>▪ Bubble bursts</li></ul>	The cloud moves in... again <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Centralized computing</li><li>▪ Return to Virtualization and Thin Clients</li><li>▪ The Internet of Things, then the Internet of Everything!</li></ul>			

- The idea behind VMs originates in the **concept of virtual memory and time sharing**
- The term "virtualization" traces its roots to 1960s **mainframes**
- Method of **logically dividing** the physical resources for different applications.

# What Is A Virtual Machine ?

- **Isolated guest operating system** installation within a **host operating system**.
- Virtual machines possess control of hardware **virtually**.
- Virtualization allows **transformation** of a server for **multiple** applications
- Uses virtualization software & hardware virtualization techniques
- From the **user** perspective virtual machine is **software platform like physical computer** that runs operating systems and apps.

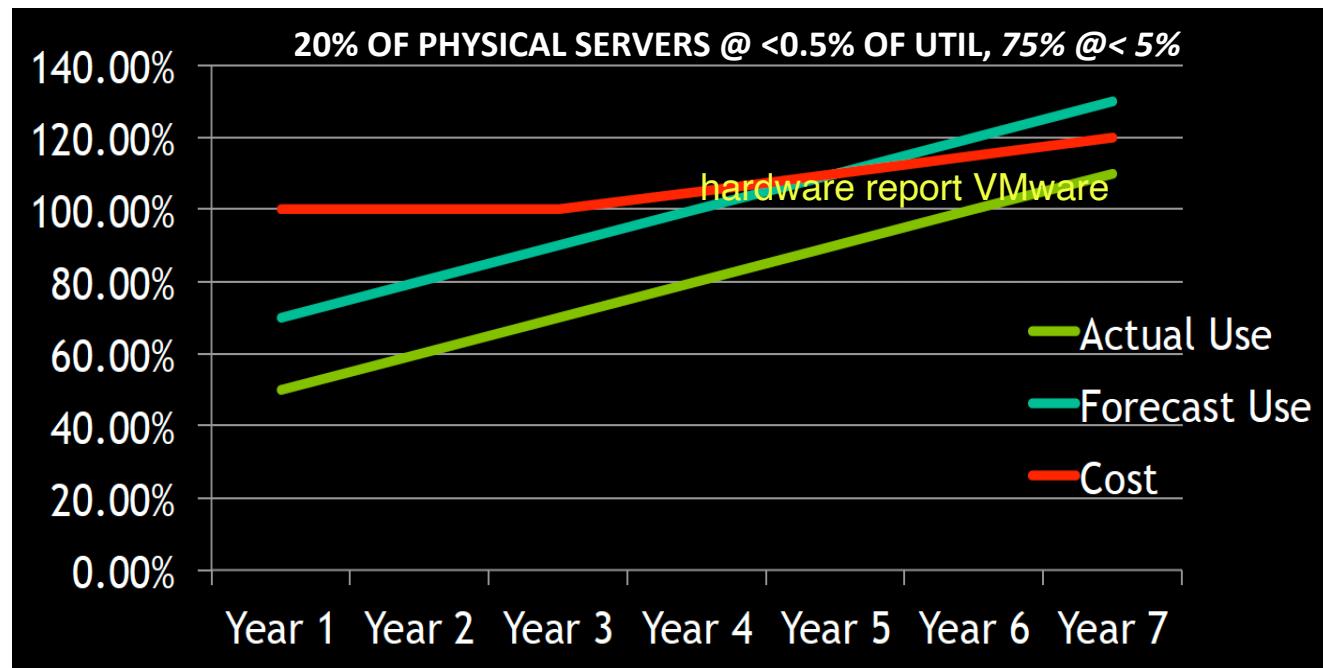


**Virtual Server**

# Why Virtualization?

- Business demand: Cost savings, Flexibility, Mobility, Speed
- End users demand: Frequent refresh, More Power, Mobility, BYOD, Graphics
- Allows **multiple applications** to run in **isolation** within VM on the same physical machine
- Increased computing power
- Lack of space
- Greening initiatives
- Rise of administration costs
- Centrally managed
- Ease of support

## RESOURCE OPTIMIZATION: Underutilized HW Resource



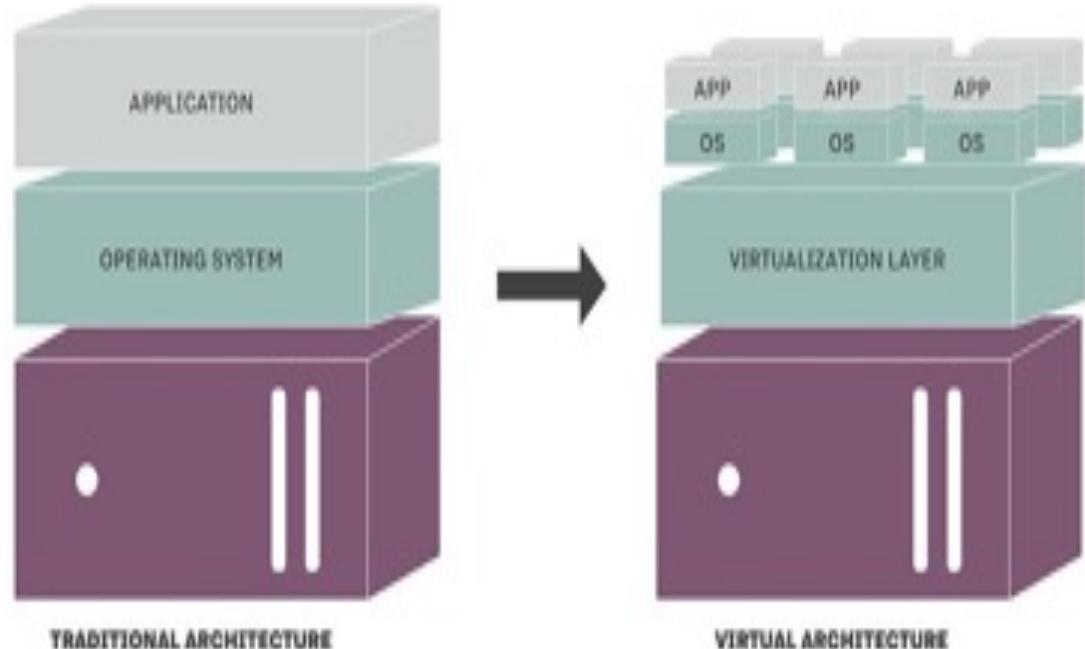
# Physical Server vs Virtual Server

## Virtual machines provide:

- Hardware independence
  - **Guest VM** sees the same hardware regardless of the host hardware
- Isolation
  - –VM's operating system is **isolated** (different) from the **host** operating System
- Encapsulation
  - Entire VM **encapsulated** into a single file

## VIRTUALIZATION

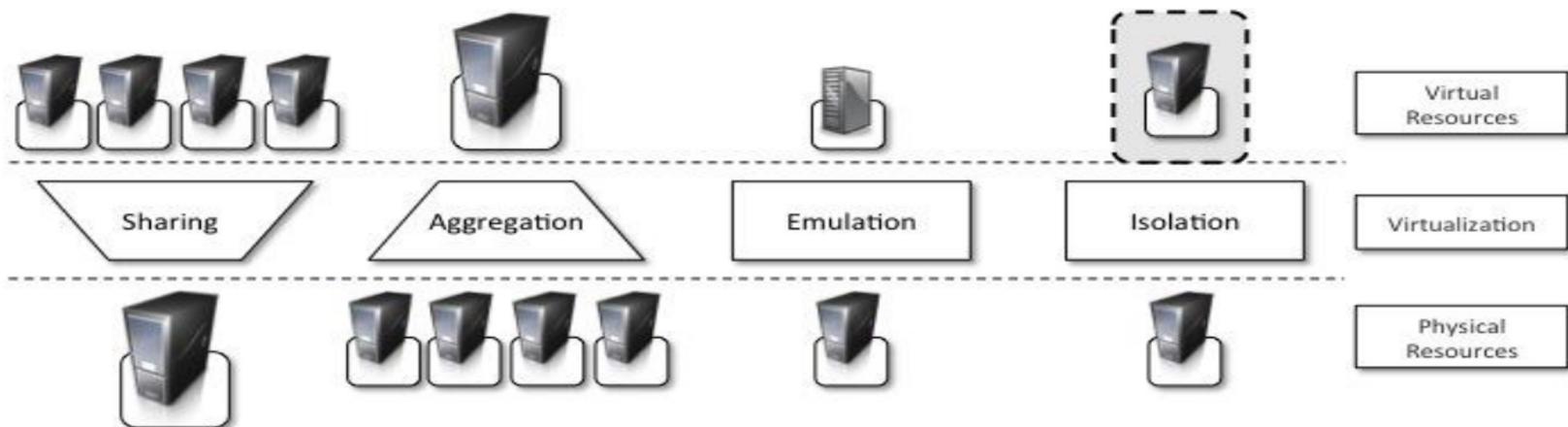
= COMPUTING RESOURCES ABSTRACTION  
+ PARTITIONING OF ONE PHYSICAL SYSTEM



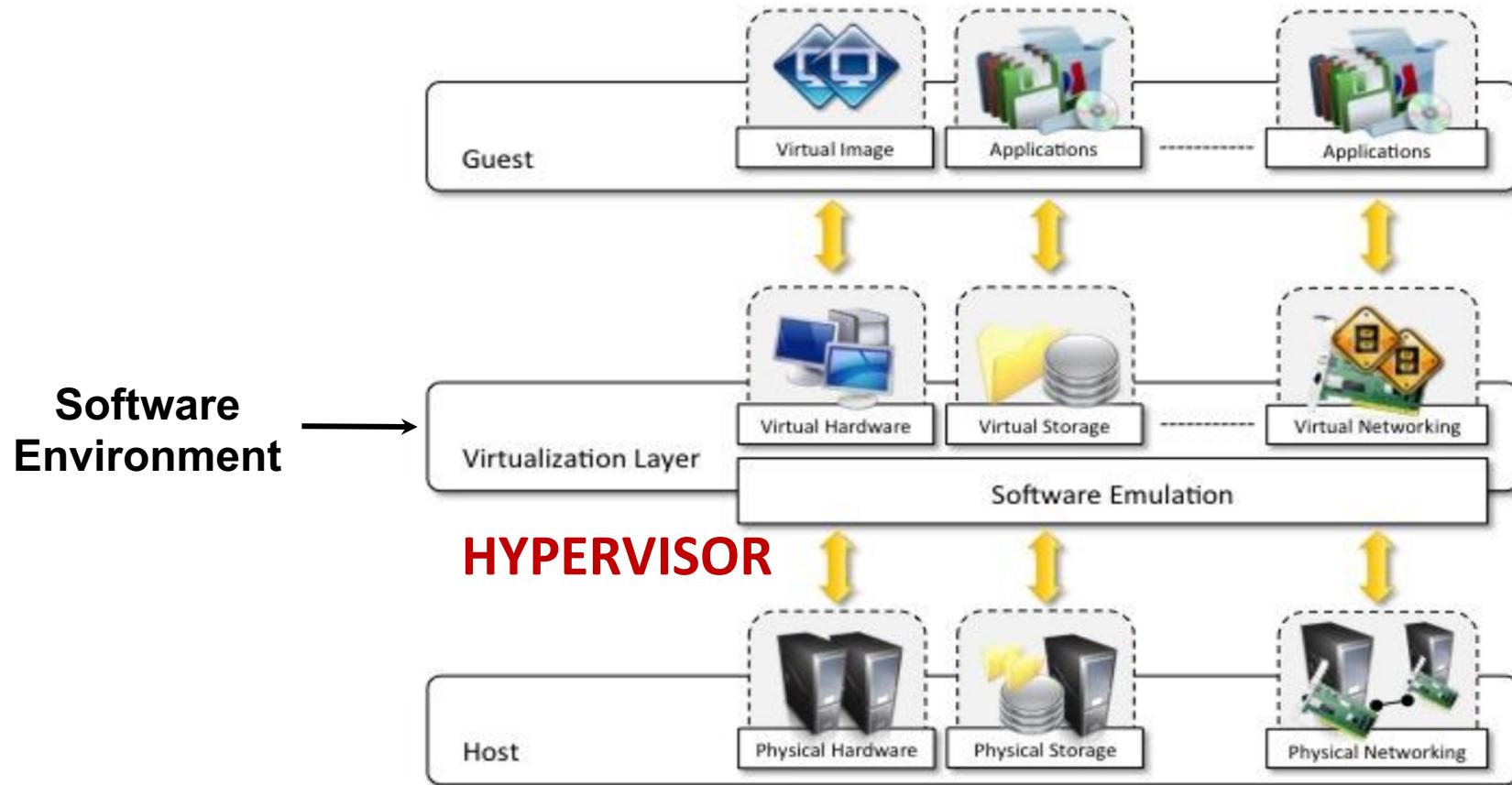
# Managed Execution

## ➤ Additional features:

- Sharing - better utilization
- Aggregation - many looks like 1
- Emulation - provide different hardware to host
- Isolation - security

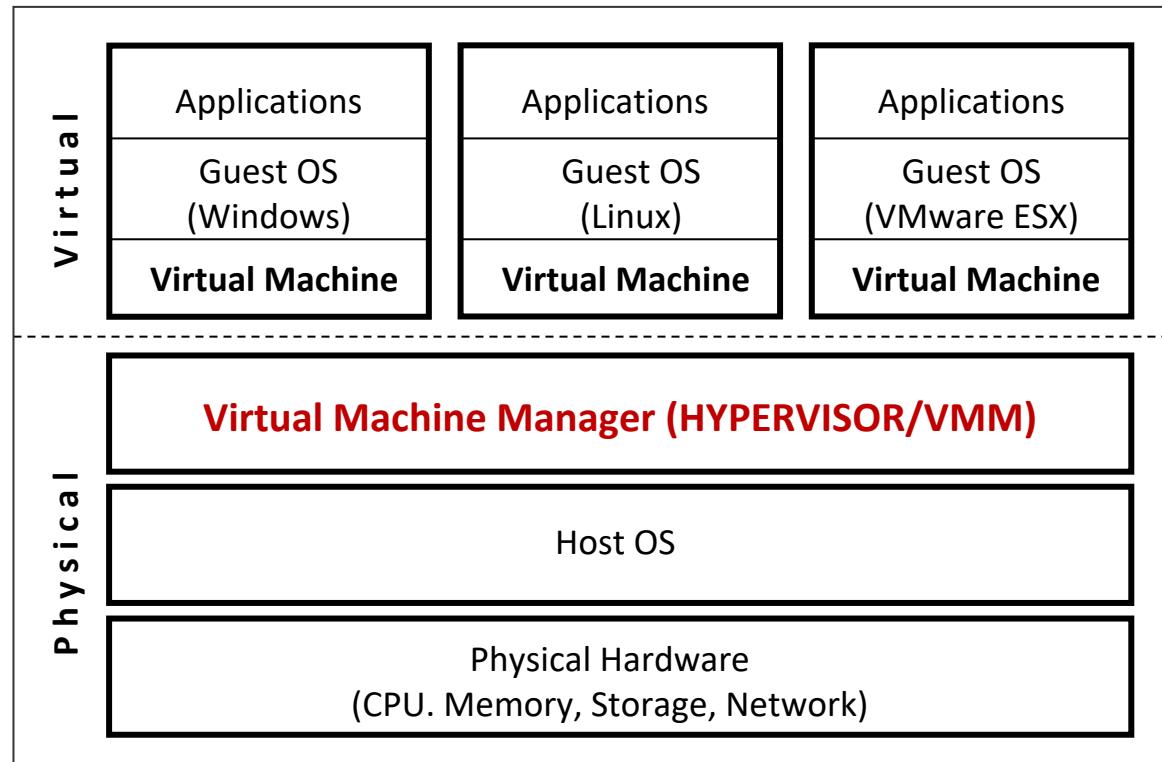


# Organization Chart



# Virtualization Architecture

- **HYPERVISOR** allows multiple OS to interact directly with the physical server's CPU and disk space, OS allocation, and make sure that the **Guest OS** (called virtual machines) do not disrupt each other
- Software environment (hardware VM)
- Storage
- Network (VPN)
- 3 Components:
  - i. Guest
  - ii. Virtualization layer
  - iii. Host
- Multiple isolated environments



# Increased Security... How?

- VM manager can control and filter activity of the guest.
- Hide information on host
- Sandbox environment (JVM & .Net)
- Adjacent virtualized hosts can't spy on each other :
  - [An exploration of L2 cache covert channels in virtualized environments](#)
  - [A survey of security issues in hardware virtualization](#)

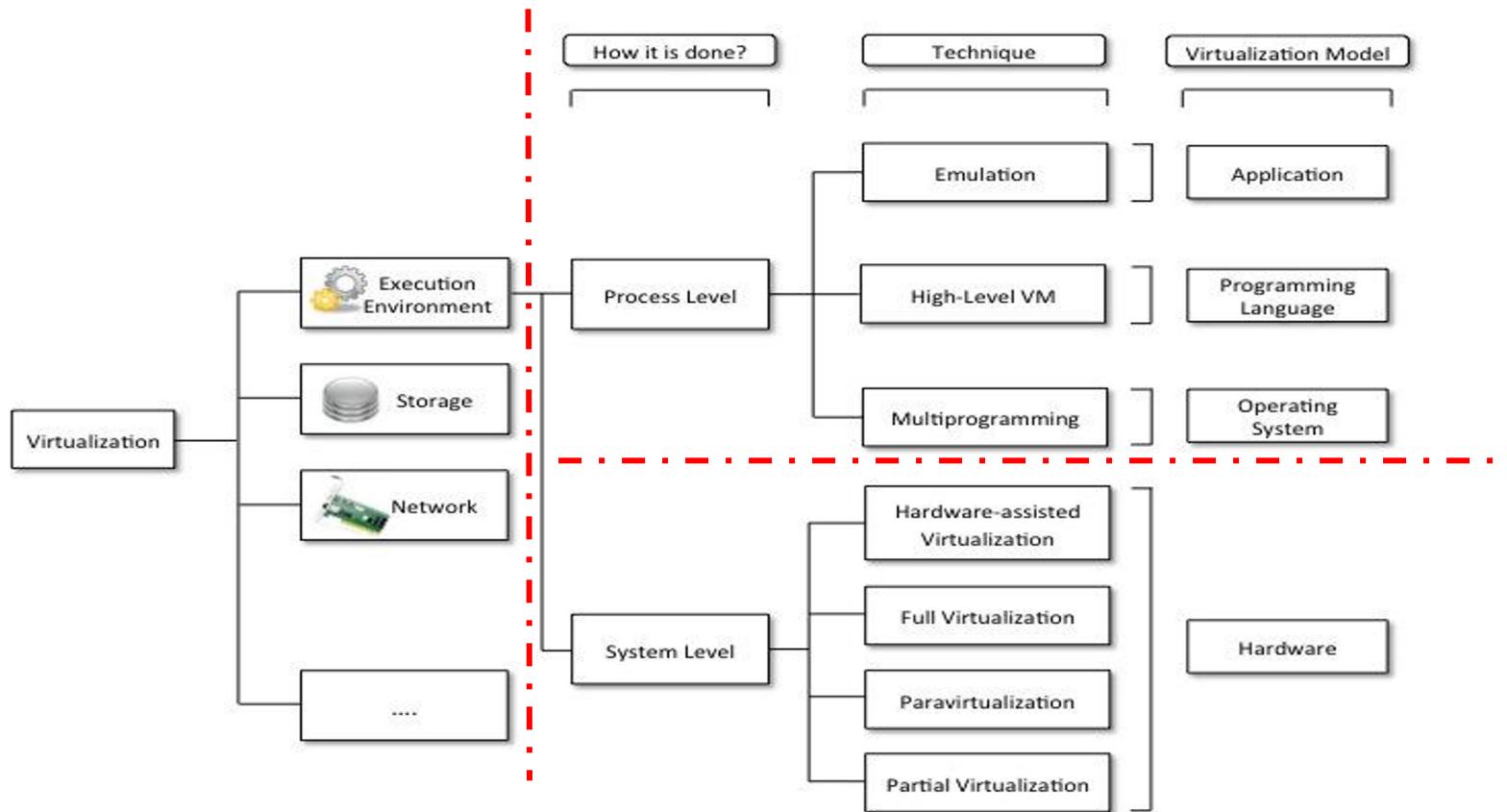
# Other Features

- Performance tuning
  - tune host for optimal performance
  - expose custom hardware to guest
- VM snapshots
  - pausing - saving - resuming
- VM migration
  - move a vm from one host to another,
  - sometimes while running
- Portability
  - move VM from host to host

## 2 Main categories:

- Process-level
  - On top of an existing OS
- System-level
  - Directly on hardware or minimal OS support

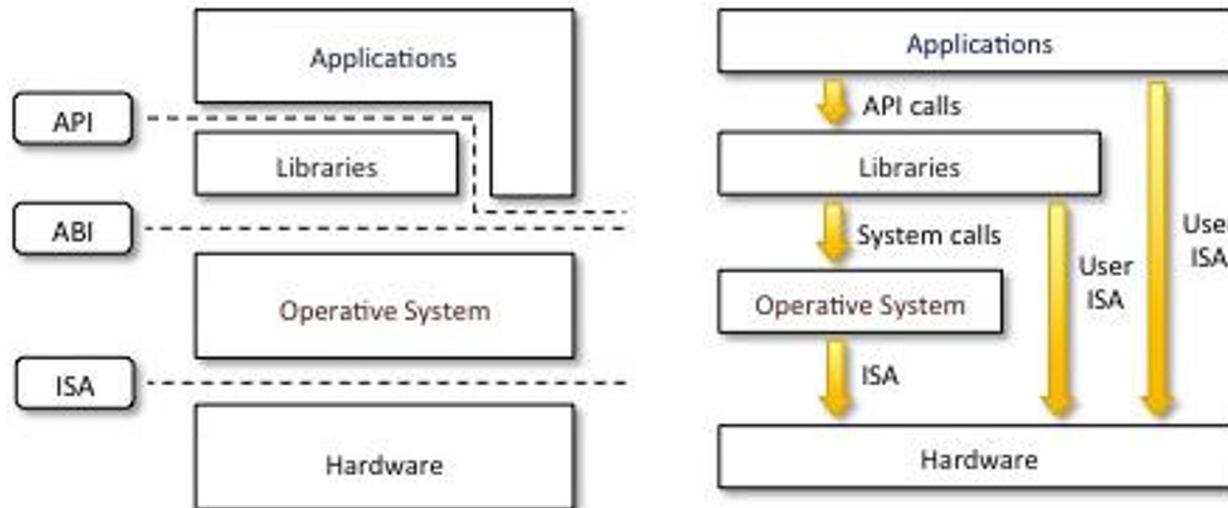
# Virtualization Taxonomy Flowchart



# Machine Reference Model

## ➤ Defines layer of abstraction

- ISA - instruction set architecture, registers, memory, interrupts
- ABI - application binary interface, data-types, alignment, system-calls
- API - application programming interface, libraries and underlying OS



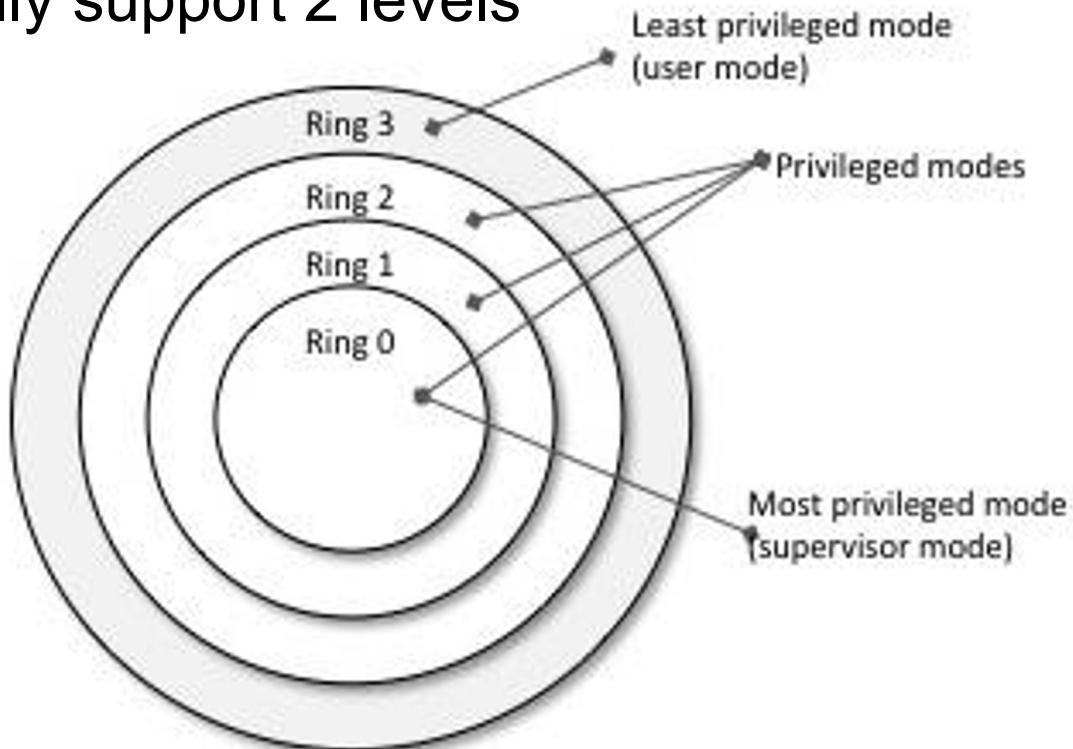
# Layered Approach helps with Security

- Hardware can allow different layers to execute different instructions.
  - Privileged
    - change shared resources -
    - IO and register changing instructions
  - Nonprivileged
    - safe - don't access shared resources - math instructions
- From the user perspective, virtual machine is software platform like physical computer that runs operating systems and apps.

# Hierarchy of Privileges

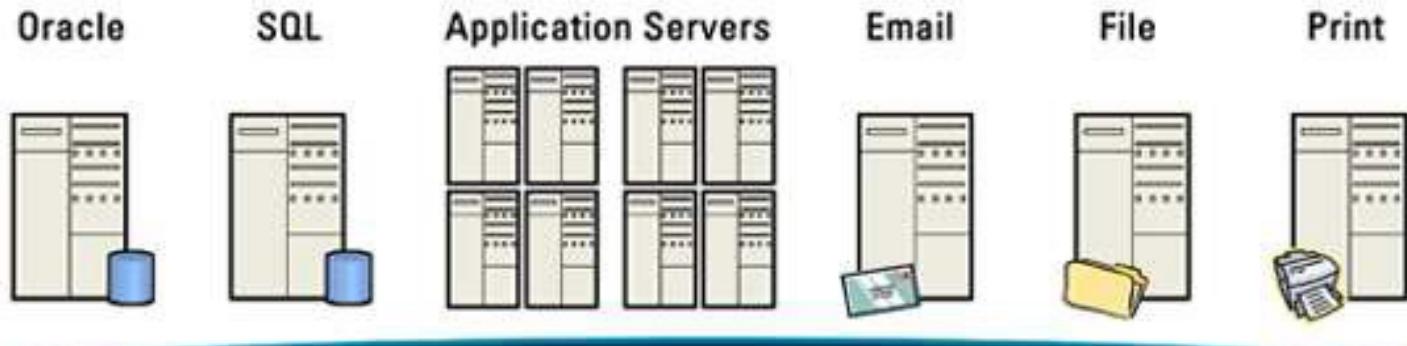
Most recent systems only support 2 levels

- Use only 2 key levels:
  - Ring 0 - supervisor mode (kernel)
  - Ring 3 - user mode
  - Sensitive instructions cause trap to kernel
- Virtualization adds a hypervisor over Ring 0
  - In reality they run at same level
- Isolate different Oss as they all need access to privileged instructions

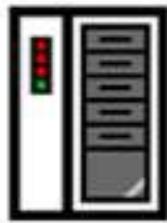


**Level#1:** Ring 0 for supervisor mode  
**Level#2:** Ring 3 for user mode

# Disadvantages of Virtualization

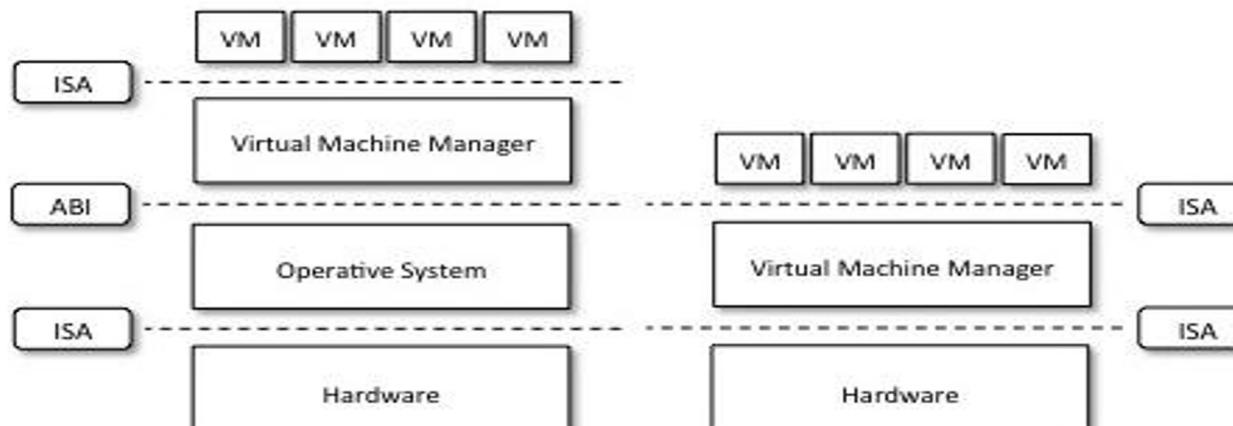


- Single Point of Failure
- Chances of Performance hit
- Application Support



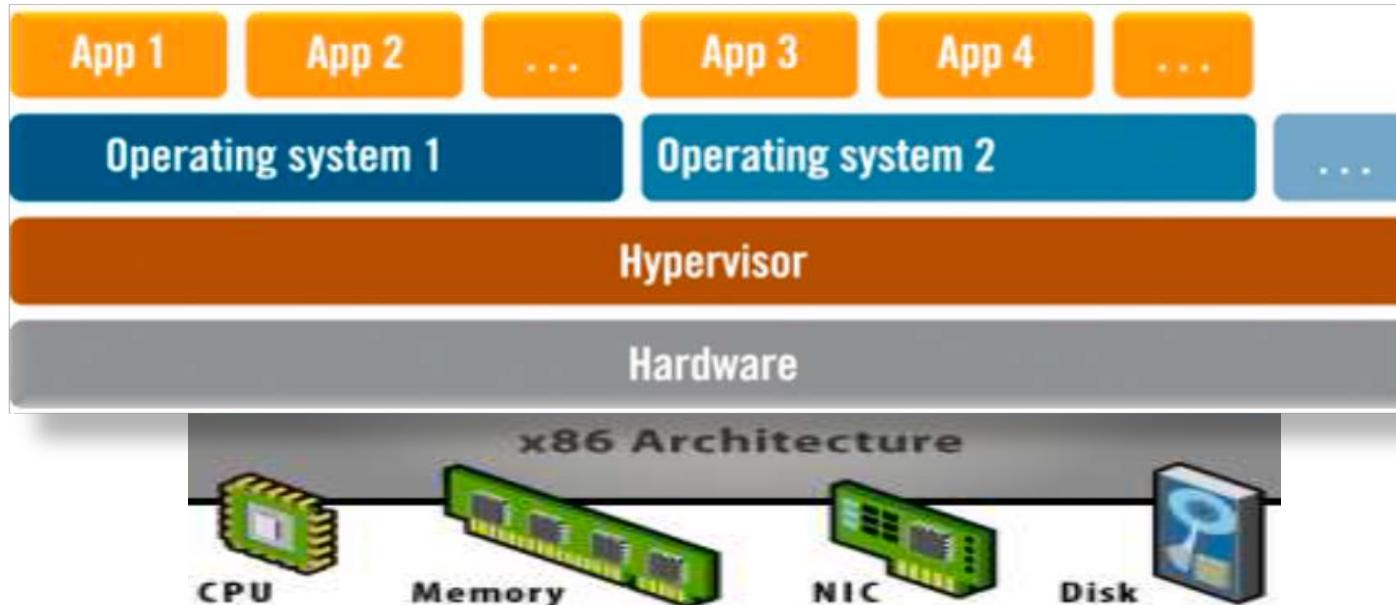
# Hardware-level Virtualization

- Virtualizes ISA - system virtualization
- Hypervisors manage system - virtual machine manager (VMM)
  - Type I - Runs directly on hardware, native virtual machine (Bare metal)
  - Type II - Runs in an OS - hosted virtual machine



# How Does Virtualization Work ?

- A Virtualization layer is installed.
  - Uses Bare-metal or Hosted Hypervisor architecture.
- A bare-metal hypervisor system does not require operating system.
  - Hypervisor is operating system.

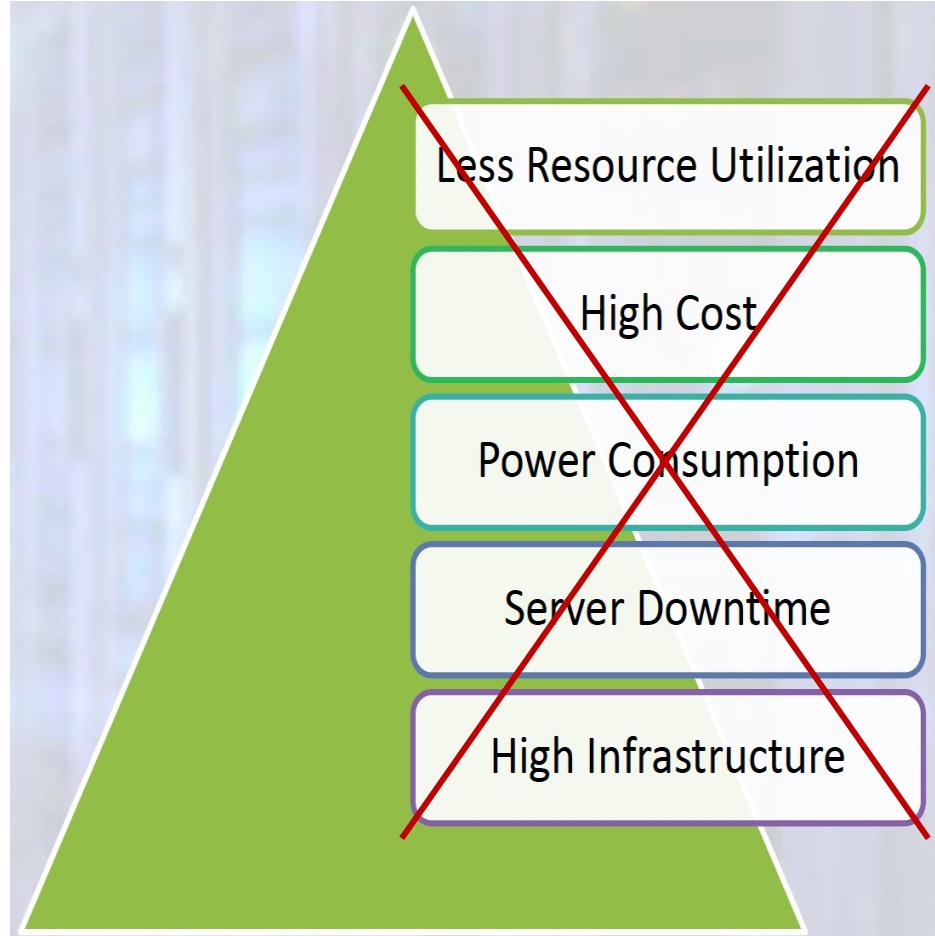


# Types Details

- Type I - Runs directly on hardware - native virtual machine
  - More resource efficient (no OS in the way)
  - Must reinstall 'OS'
  - ESX/ESXi just mini version of Linux
  - Ex: VMWare ESX/ESXi, MS HyperV
- Type II - Runs in an OS - hosted virtual machine
  - Easier to use, just install the program
  - Ex: VMWare Workstation/Fusion, VirtualBox, Kernel-based Virtual Machine (KVM)
- Types are not definitive! KVM uses virtualization features in the kernel, but can do general purpose work.
- ESX(i) is linux as well and you can run normal programs.

# Benefits of Virtualization

- Typically **synonymous** with **IaaS**.
- Server **consolidation, hardware cost and performance**.
- **Ease of Management**, Allowing users to have **concurrent** operating systems on **one** computer
- Efficient, Flexible and Scalable usage of storage disks
- Stable, recoverable and highly available solution for storage medium.
- Remove **hardwire** connection between storage hardware and the processor





[Microservices explained - the What, Why and How?](#)

# Challenges with monolithic software

Difficult to scale

Architecture is hard to maintain and evolve

Lack of agility

Long Build/Test/Release Cycles  
(who broke the build?)

New releases take months

Lack of innovation

Operations is a nightmare  
(module X is failing, who's the owner?)

Long time to add new features

Frustrated customers

# Monolith development lifecycle

developers



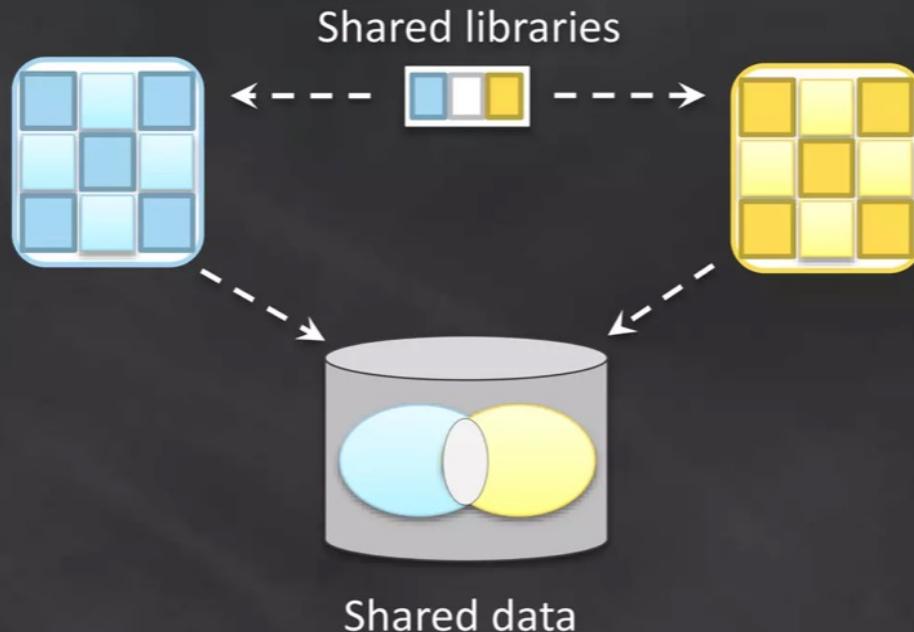
delivery pipeline

build      test      release

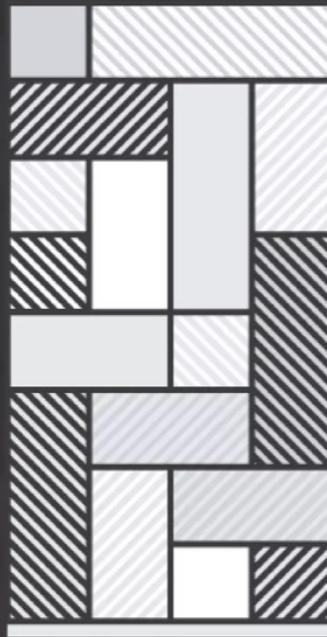
app  
(aka the “monolith”)



# Too much software coupling







what are microservices



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# Microservices

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**Microservices** are a more concrete and modern interpretation of [service-oriented architectures \(SOA\)](#) used to build distributed software systems. Like in SOA, services in a microservice architecture are processes that communicate with each other over the network in order to fulfill a goal. Also, like in SOA, these services use technology agnostic protocols.<sup>[1]</sup> Microservices architectural style is a first realisation of SOA that has happened after the introduction of [DevOps](#) and this is becoming the standard for building continuously deployed systems.<sup>[2]</sup>

In contrast to SOA, microservices gives an answer to the question of how big a service should be and how they should communicate with each other. In a microservices architecture, services should be small and the protocols should be lightweight. The benefit of distributing different responsibilities of the system into different smaller services is that it enhances the [cohesion](#) and decreases the [coupling](#). This makes it much easier to change and add functions and qualities to the system anytime.<sup>[3]</sup> It also allows the architecture of an individual service to emerge through continuous refactoring,<sup>[4]</sup> hence reduces the need for a big up front design and allows for releasing the software early and continuously.

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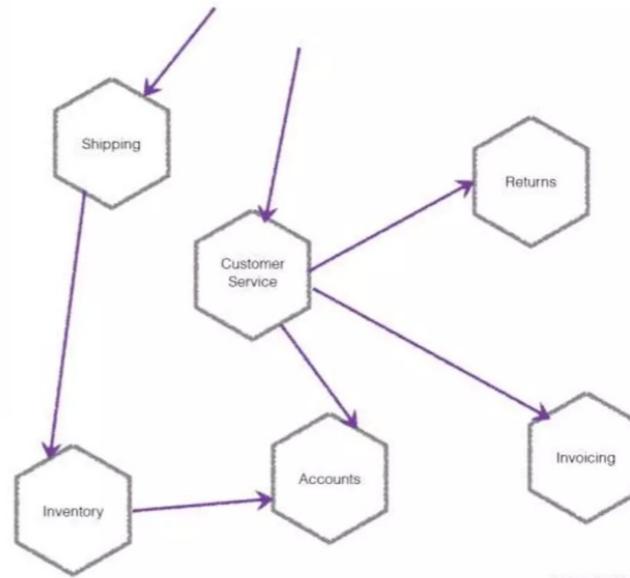
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architecture  
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bounded contexts”**

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now Technology Fellow at Battery Ventures)*

*Small independently  
deployable services that  
work together, modelled  
around a **business  
domain***



# SMALL



Size is not the actual point!



not as big as a server app that needs to be built and deployed as a single block

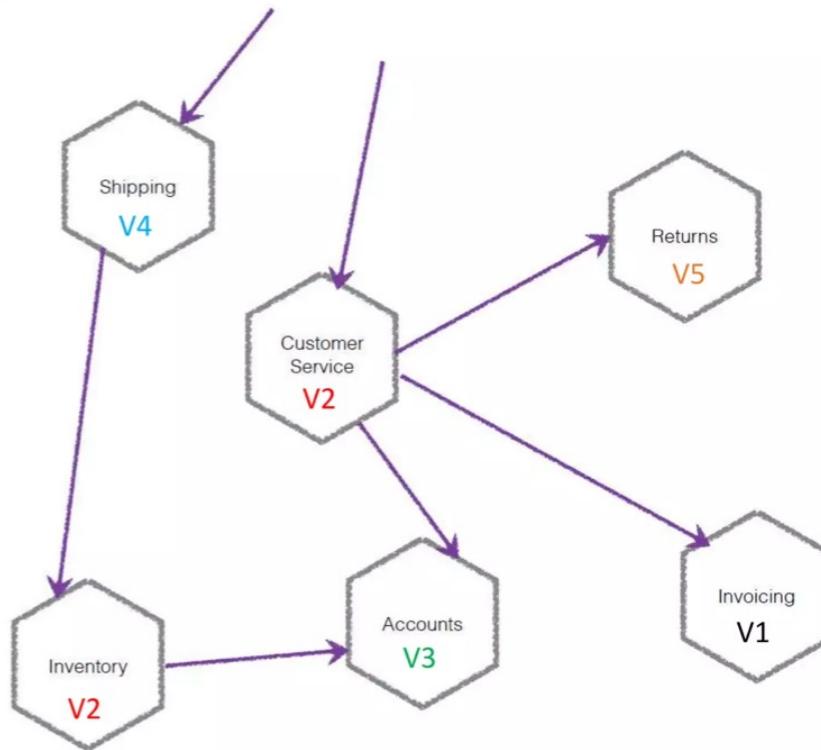


Manageable units of functionality and deployability

# INDEPENDENTLY DEPLOYABLE

**No lock-step build and deployment**

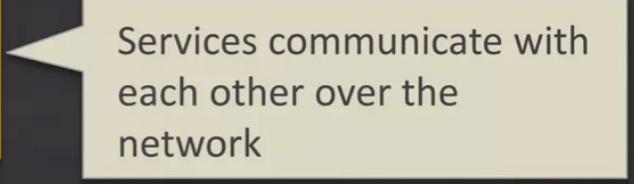
Avoiding the “*Distributed Monolith*”



**"service-oriented  
architecture**

composed of  
**loosely coupled  
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that have  
**bounded contexts"**



Services communicate with each other over the network

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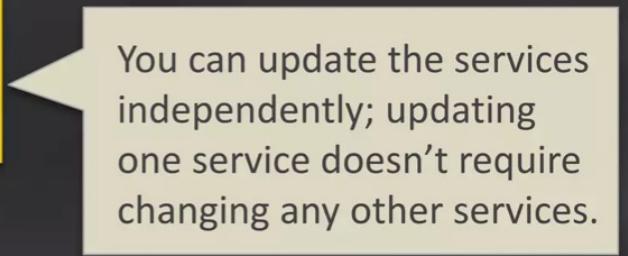
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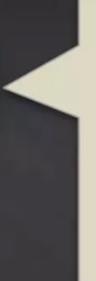
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You can update the services independently; updating one service doesn't require changing any other services.

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Self-contained; you can update the code without knowing anything about the internals of other microservices

**“Do one thing, and do it well”**



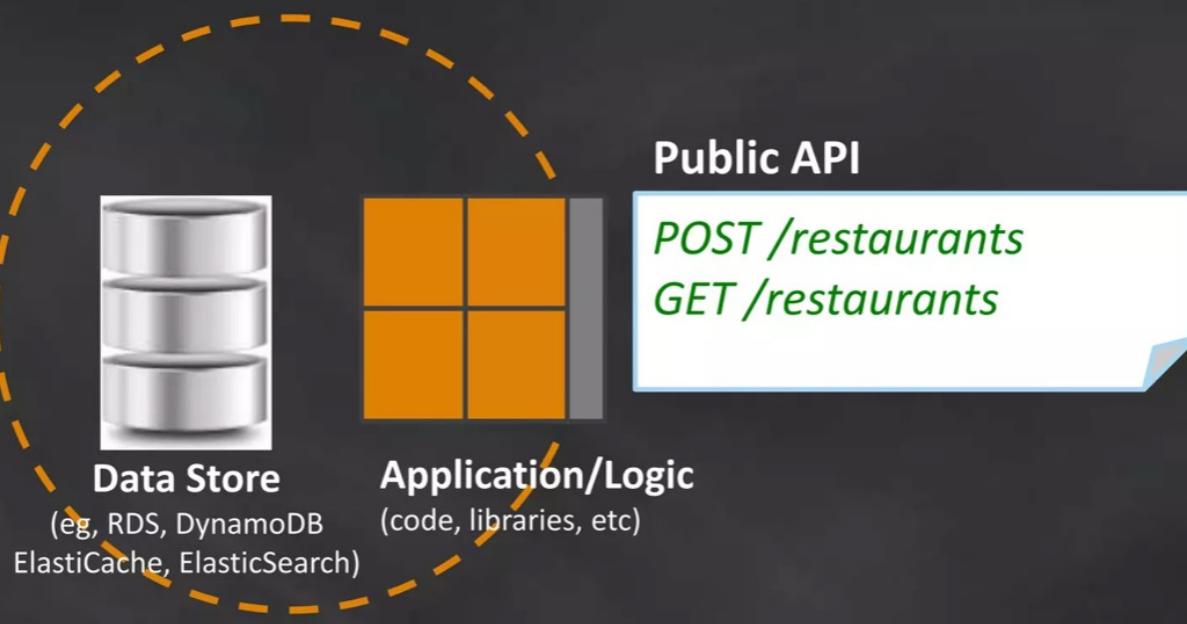
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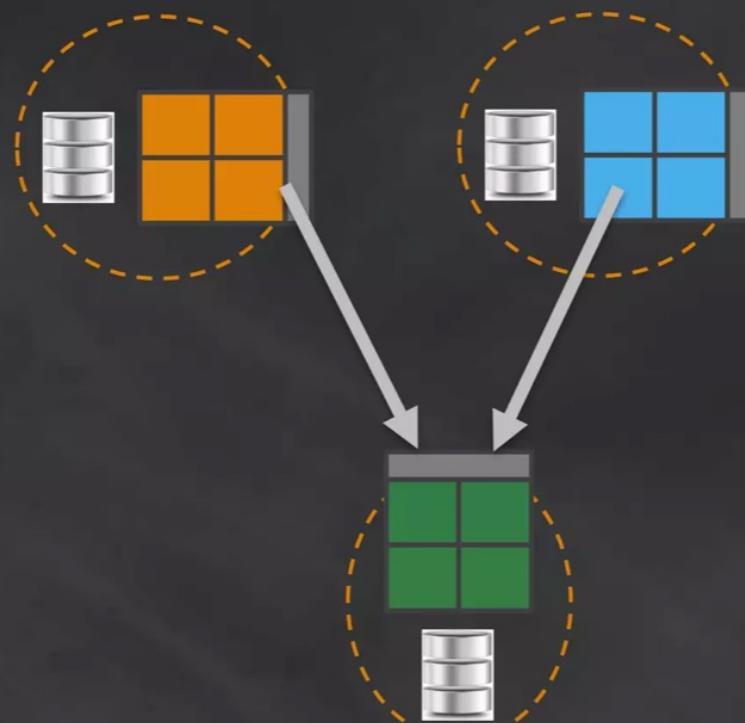


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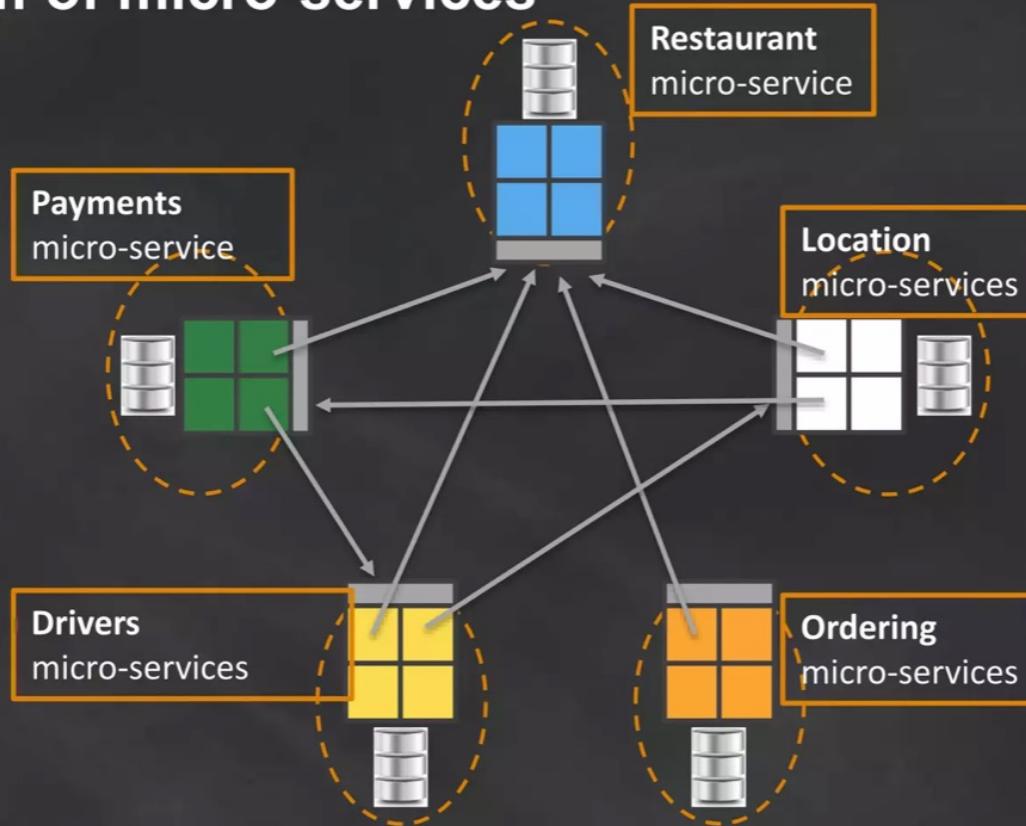
# Anatomy of a Micro-service



## Avoid Software Coupling



# Ecosystem of micro-services



**Thousands of teams**

  × Microservice architecture

  × Continuous delivery

  × Multiple environments

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**= 50 million deployments a year**

(5708 per hour, or every 0.63 second)



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Nike's Journey to Microservices

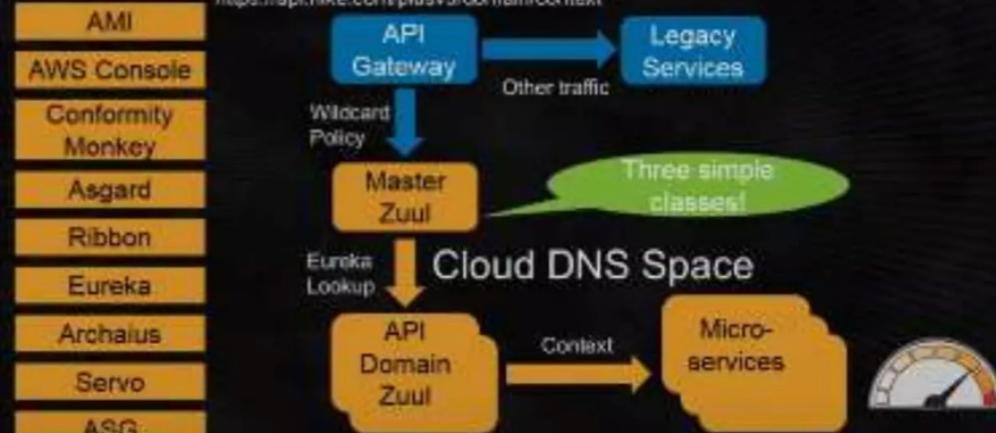
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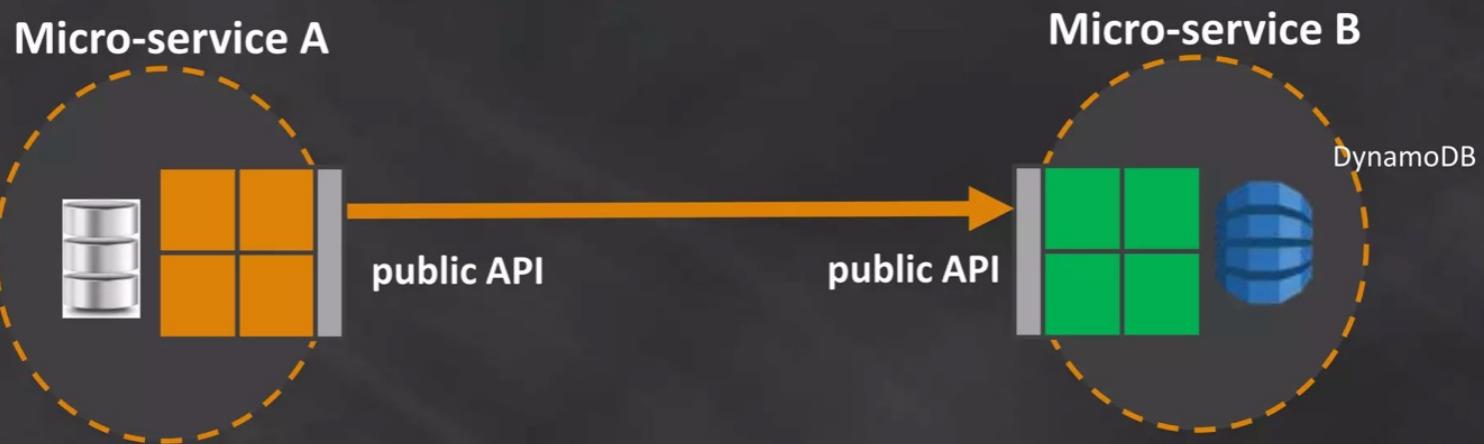


## Getting to production fast

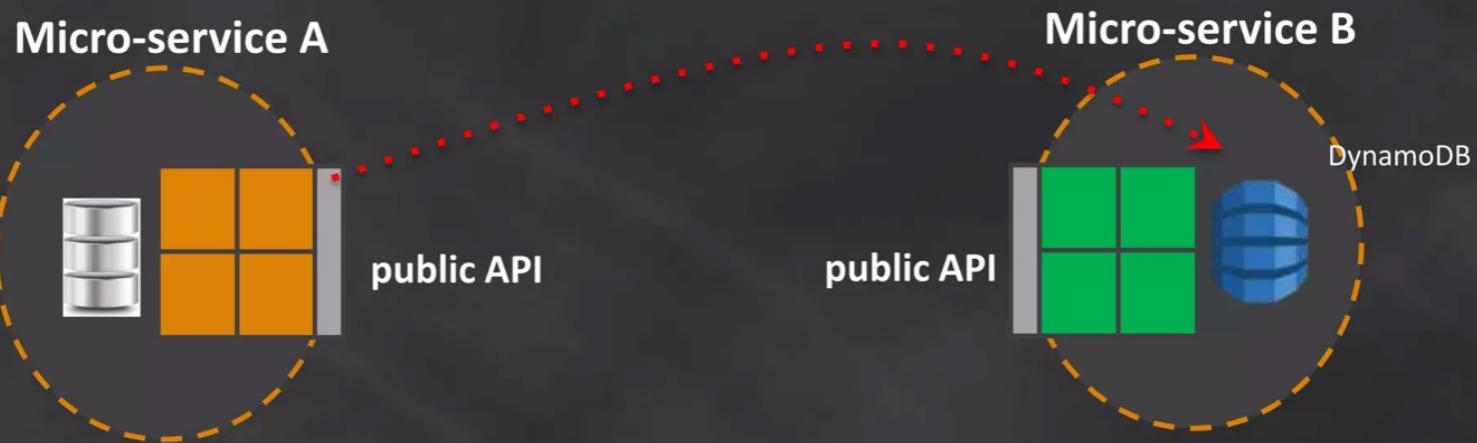
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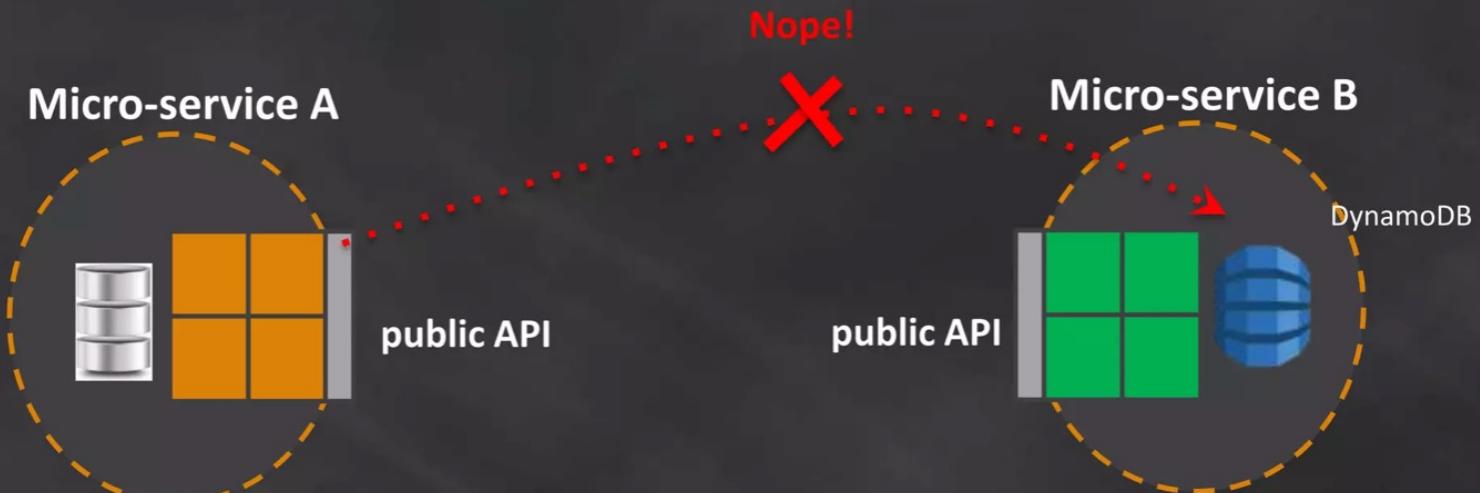
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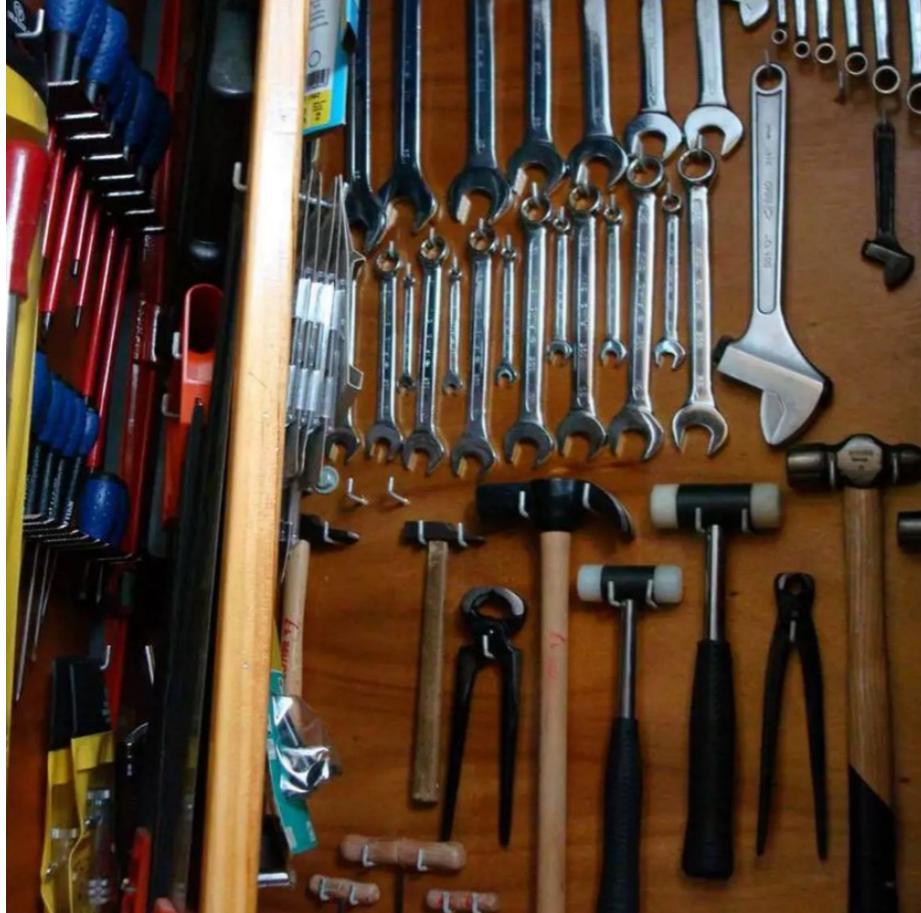


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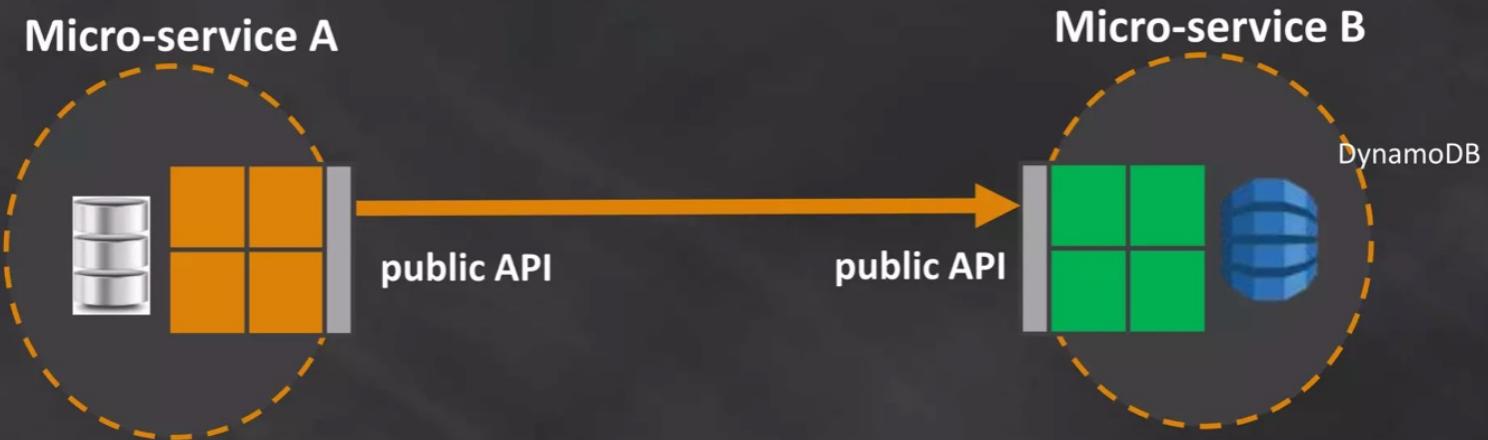


## Principle 2

Use the right tool for the job

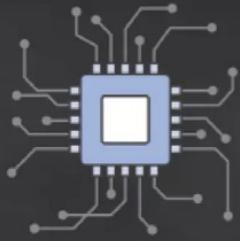
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## Principle 2: Use the right tool for the job (Embrace polyglot persistence)



## Principle 2: Use the right tool for the job (Embrace polyglot programming frameworks)





Create a unified  
API frontend for  
multiple  
micro-services



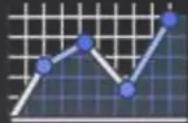
Authenticate and  
authorize  
requests



Handles DDoS  
protection and  
API throttling



...as well as  
monitoring,  
logging, rollbacks,  
client SDK  
generation...



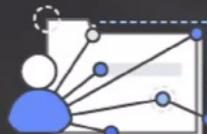
## Highly Scalable

- Inherently scalable



## Secure

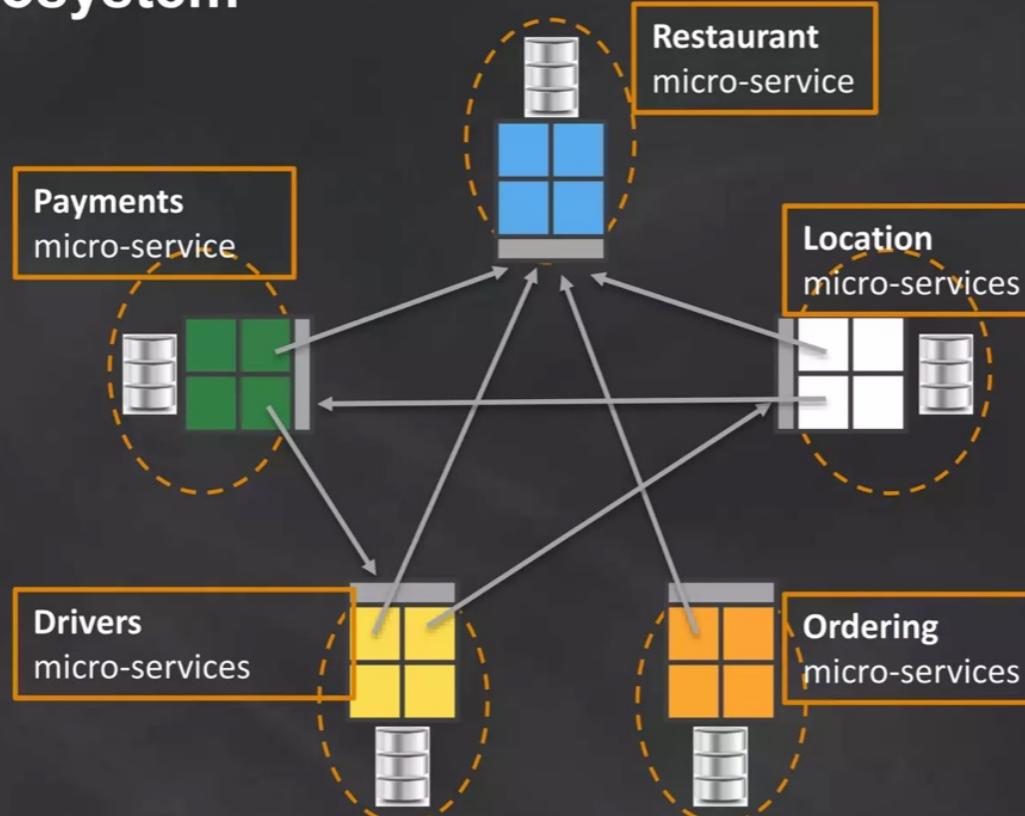
- API Gateway acts as “front door”
- Can add authN/authZ; or throttle API if needed
- S3 bucket policies
- IAM Roles for Lambda invocations



## Cost-efficient

- Only pay for actual microservice usage

...to an ecosystem





## Principle 3

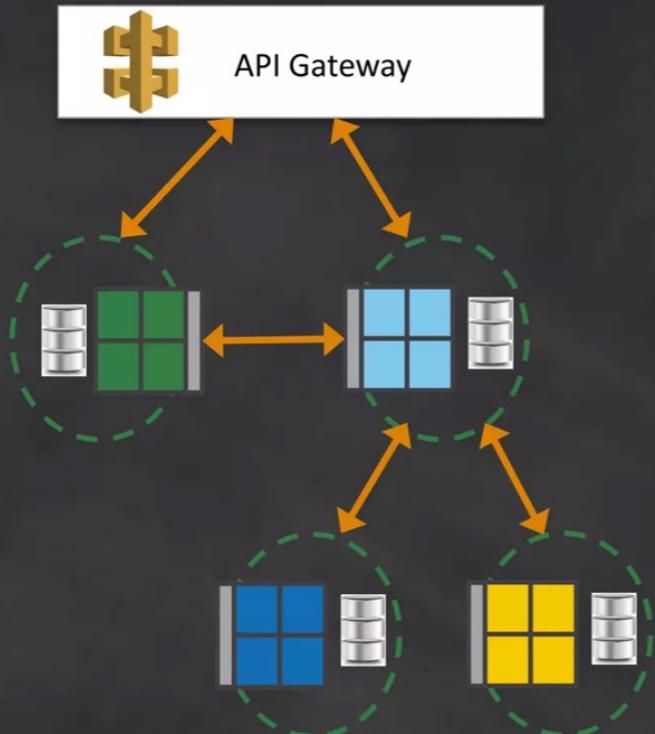
### Secure Your Services

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## Principle 3: Secure Your Services



- **Defense-in-depth**
  - Network level (e.g. VPC, Security Groups, TLS)
  - Server/container-level
  - App-level
  - IAM policies
- **Gateway** (“Front door”)
- **API Throttling**
- **Authentication & Authorization**
  - Client-to-service, as well as service-to-service
  - API Gateway: custom Lambda authorizers
  - IAM-based Authentication
  - Token-based auth (JWT tokens, OAuth 2.0)
- **Secrets management**
  - S3 bucket policies + KMS + IAM
  - Open-source tools (e.g. Vault, Keywhiz)



## Principle 4

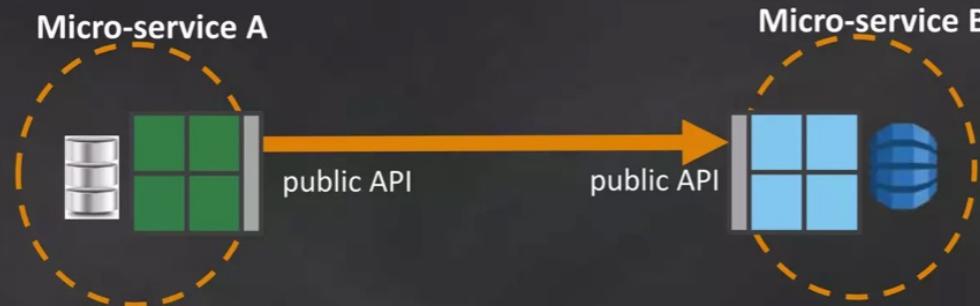
**Be a good citizen  
within the ecosystem**

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## Principle 4: Be a good citizen within the ecosystem



Hey Sally, we need to call your micro-service to fetch restaurants details.



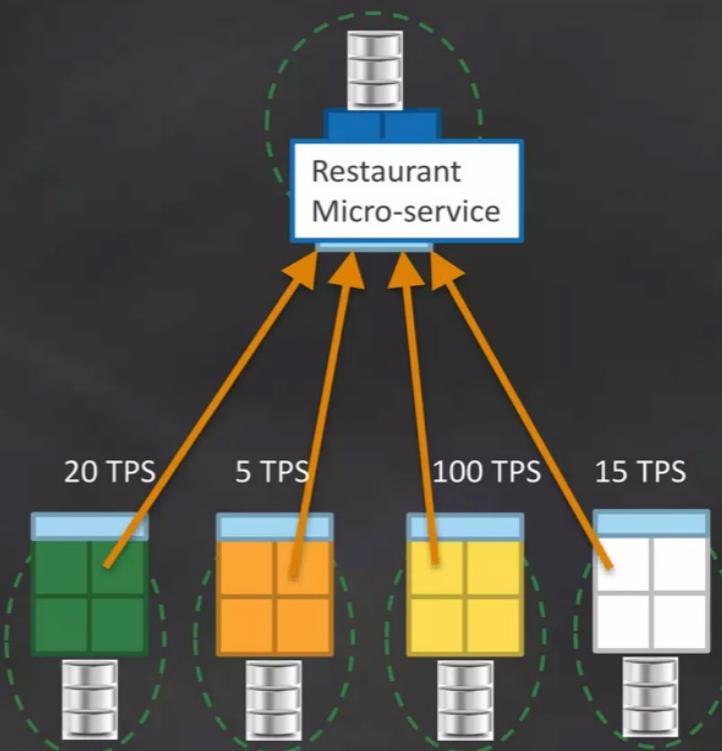
Sure Paul. Which APIs you need to call? Once I know better your use cases I'll give you permission to register your service as a client on our service's directory entry.



## Principle 4: Be a good citizen within the ecosystem (Have clear SLAs)



Before we let you call our micro-service we need to understand your use case, expected load (TPS) and accepted latency



## Principle 4: Be a good citizen within the ecosystem (Distributed monitoring, logging and tracing)

### Distributed monitoring and tracing

- “Is the service meeting its SLA?”
- “Which services were involved in a request?”
- “How did downstream dependencies perform?”

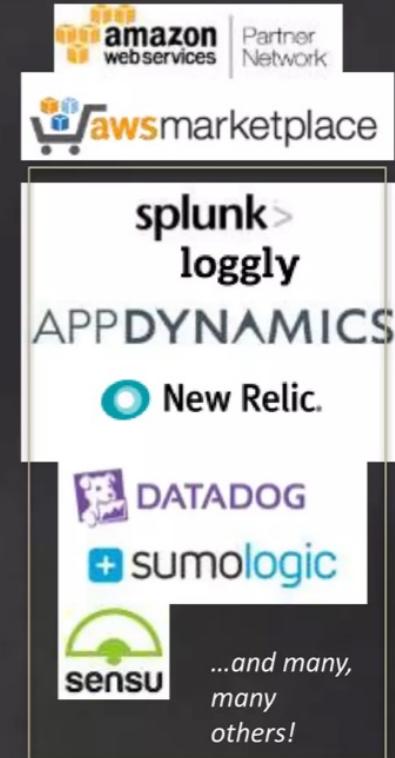
### Shared metrics

- e.g. request time, time to first byte

### Distributed tracing

- e.g. Zipkin, OpenTracing

### User-experience metrics





## Principle 5

More than just  
technology transformation

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# Conway's Law

“Any organization that designs a system will inevitably produce a design whose structure is a copy of the organization’s communication structure.”

*Melvin E. Conway, 1967*



# Decentralize governance and data management

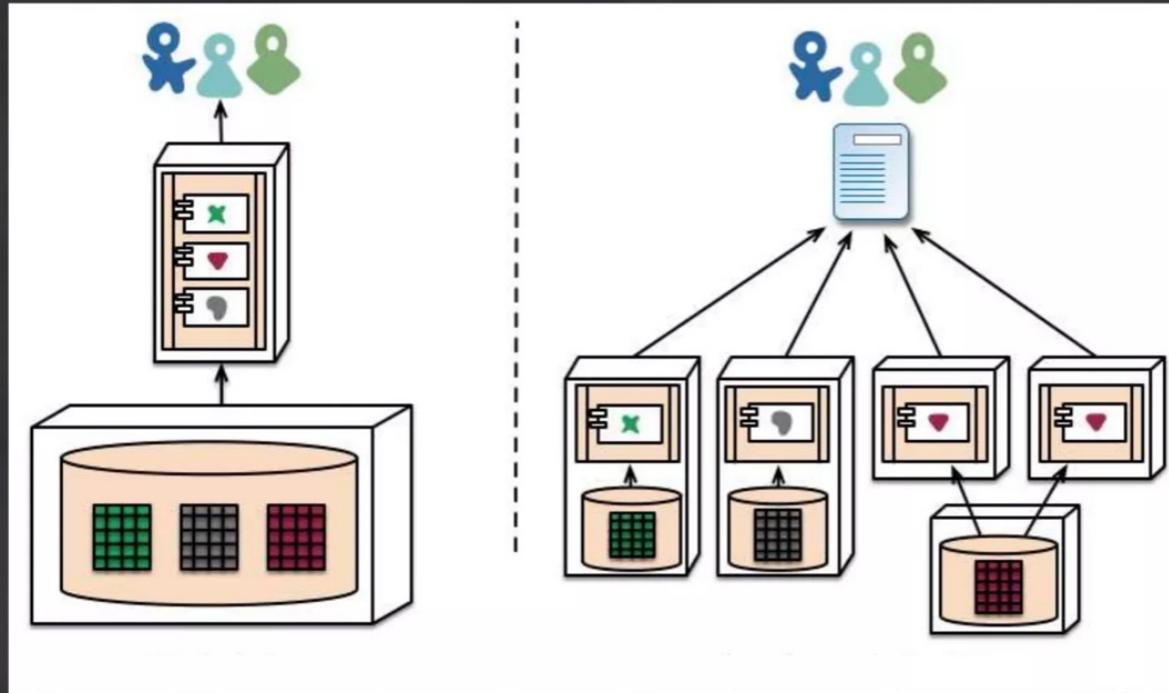
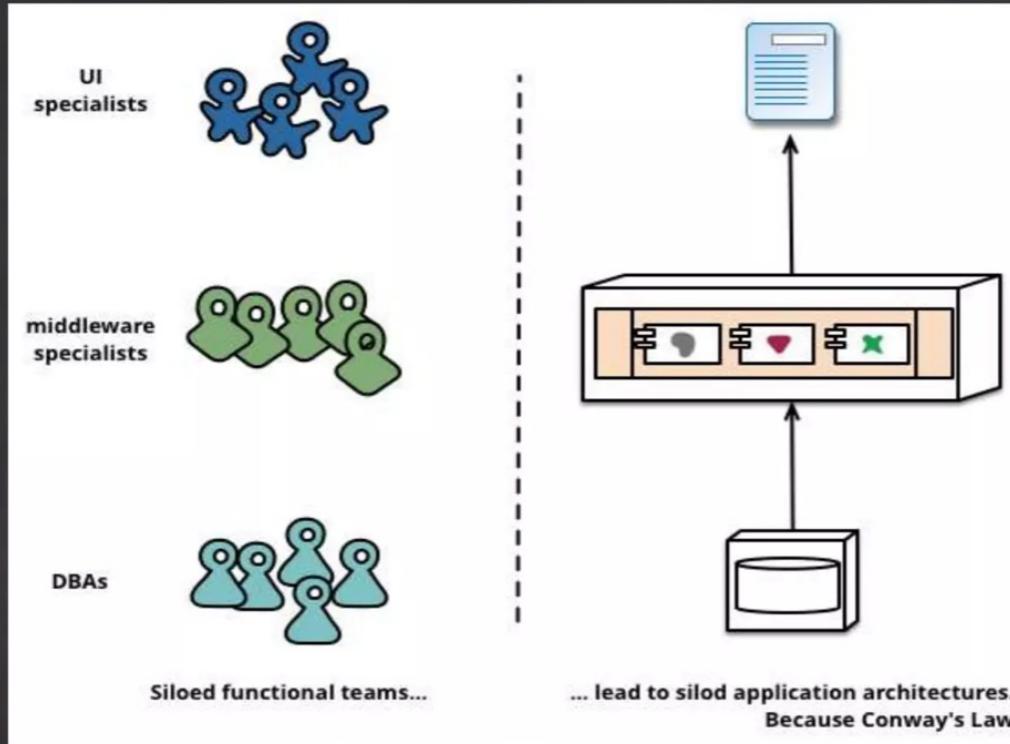


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# Silo'd functional teams → silo'd application architectures



... lead to silo'd application architectures.  
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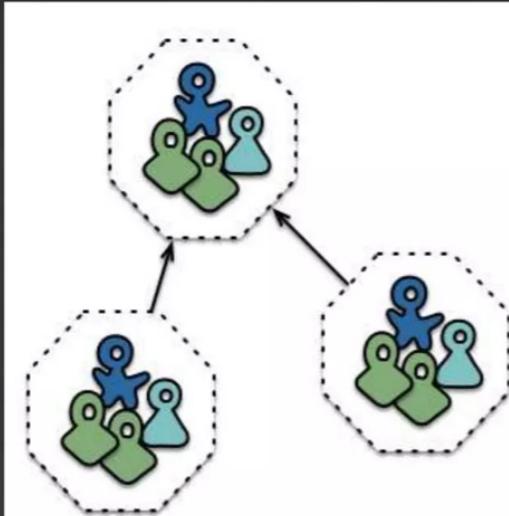


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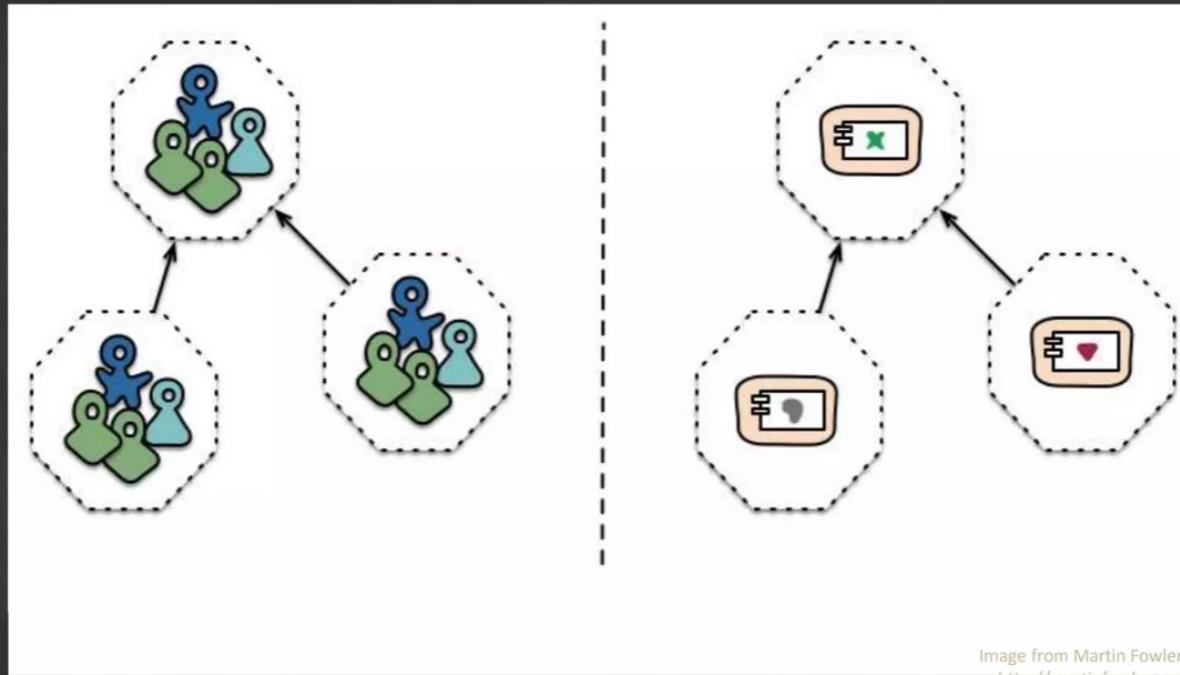
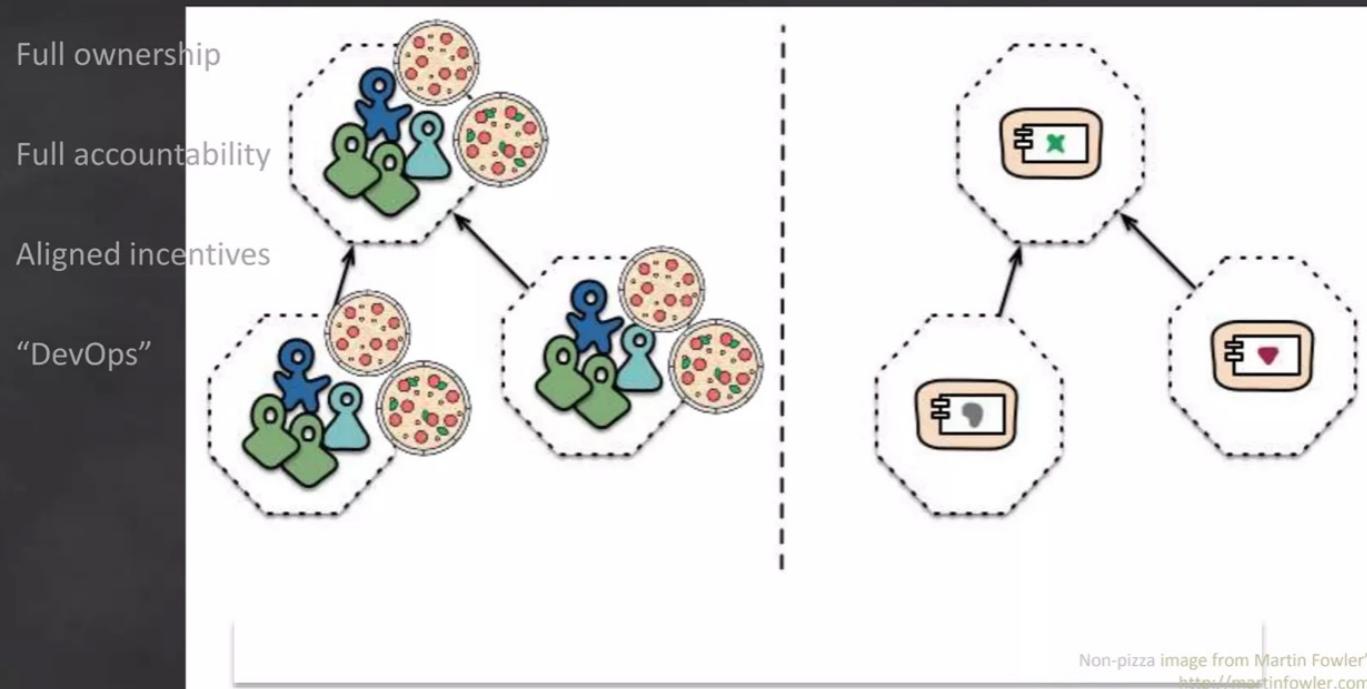


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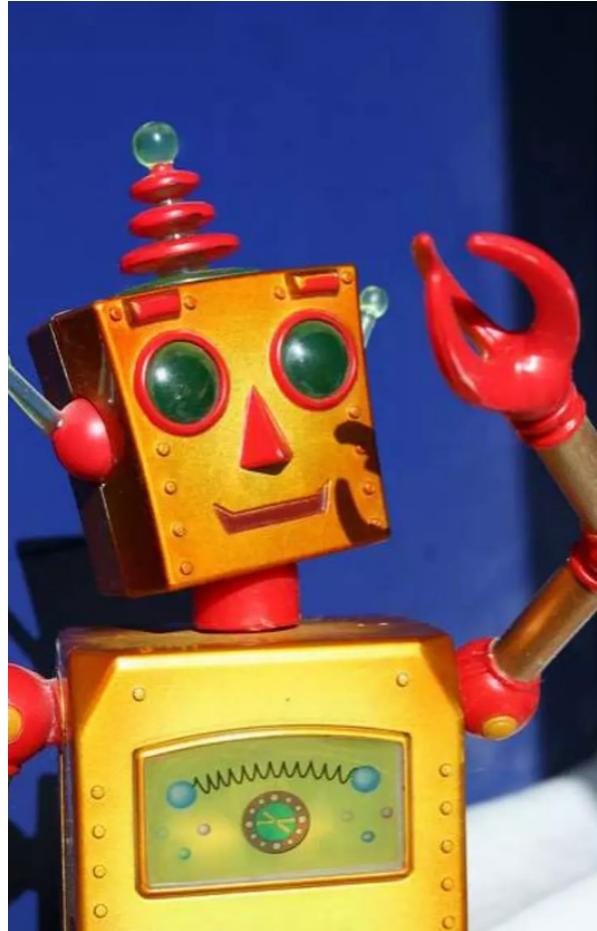
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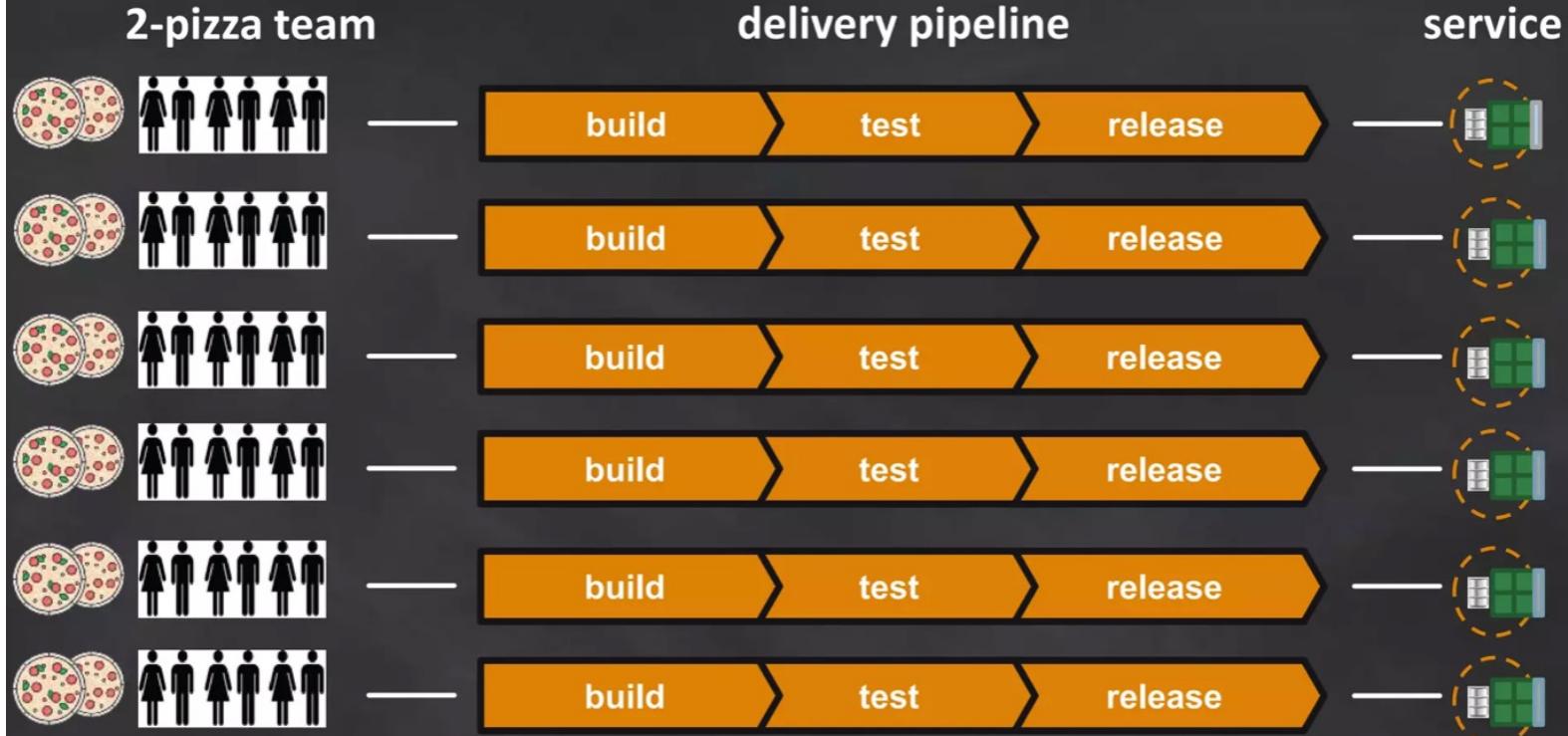
## Principle 6

Automate Everything

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# Focused agile teams



## Principle 6: Automate everything



AWS  
CodeCommit



AWS  
CodePipeline



AWS  
CodeDeploy



RDS



DynamoDB



ElastiCache



CloudWatch



Cloud Trail



API Gateway



SQS



SWF



EC2



ECS



Lambda



Auto  
Scaling



ELB



Elastic  
Beanstalk



SES

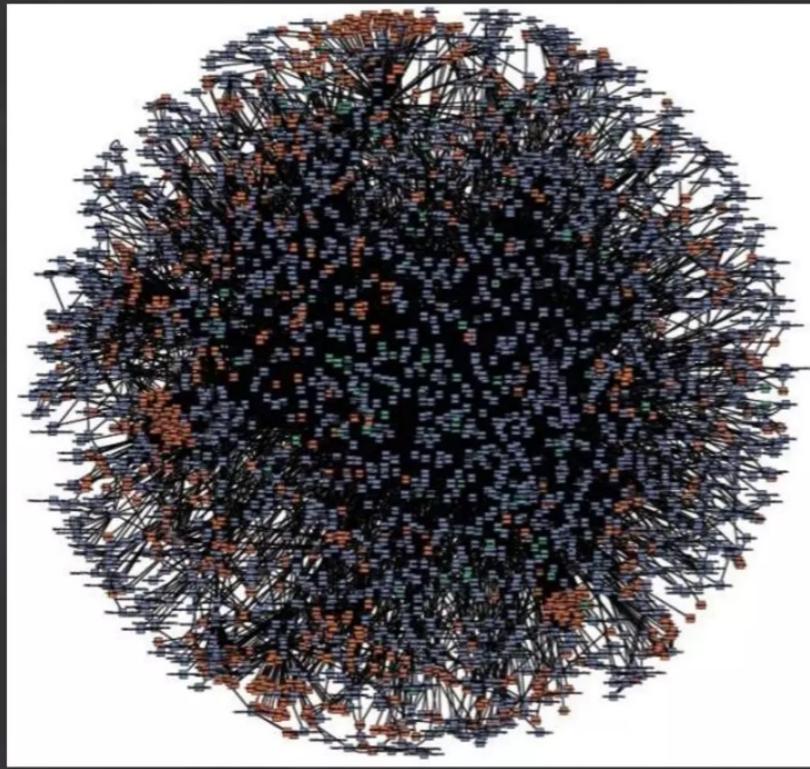


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# It's a journey...



**Expect challenges along the way...**

- Understanding of business domains
- Coordinating txns across multiple services
- Eventual Consistency
- Service discovery
- Lots of moving parts requires increased coordination
- Complexity of testing / deploying / operating a distributed system
- Cultural transformation

# Principles of Microservices

## 1. Rely only on the public API

- Hide your data
- Document your APIs
- Define a versioning strategy

## 4. Be a good citizen within the ecosystem

- Have SLAs
- Distributed monitoring, logging, tracing

## 2. Use the right tool for the job

- Polygot persistence (data layer)
- Polyglot frameworks (app layer)

## 5. More than just technology transformation

- Embrace organizational change
- Favor small focused dev teams

## 3. Secure your services

- Defense-in-depth
- Authentication/authorization

## 6. Automate everything

- Adopt DevOps

# Benefits of microservices

Easier to scale  
each  
individual  
micro-service

Easier to  
maintain and  
evolve system

Increased agility

Rapid  
Build/Test/Release  
Cycles

New releases  
take minutes

Faster innovation

Clear ownership and  
accountability

Short time to add  
new features

Delighted customers





## Microservices explained - the What, Why and How?

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