

Microservices - also known as the microservice architecture - is an architectural style that structures an application as a collection of services that are

- Highly maintainable and testable
- Loosely coupled
- Independently deployable
- Organized around business capabilities
- Owned by a small team

The microservice architecture enables the rapid, frequent and reliable delivery of large, complex applications. It also enables an organization to evolve its technology stack. Microservice helps in breaking the application and build a logically independent smaller applications. For example, we can build a cloud application with the help of Amazon AWS with minimum efforts.

Principles of Microservices

There are the following principles of Microservices:

- Single Responsibility principle
- Modelled around business domain
- Isolate Failure
- Infrastructure automation
- Deploy independently

Advantages of Microservices

- Microservices are self-contained, independent deployment module.
- The cost of scaling is comparatively less than the monolithic architecture.
- Microservices are independently manageable services. It can enable more and more services as the need arises. It minimizes the impact on existing service.
- It is possible to change or upgrade each service individually rather than upgrading in the entire application.
- Microservices allows us to develop an application which is organic (an application which latterly upgrades by adding more functions or modules) in nature.
- It enables event streaming technology to enable easy integration in comparison to heavyweight interposes communication.
- Microservices follows the single responsibility principle.

Disadvantages of microservice

- Microservices has all the associated complexities of the distributed system.
- There is a higher chance of failure during communication between different services.
- Difficult to manage a large number of services.
- The developer needs to solve the problem, such as network latency and load balancing.
- Complex testing over a distributed environment.