Clojure Redeployed

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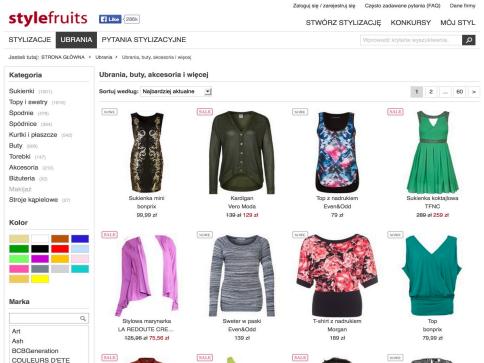


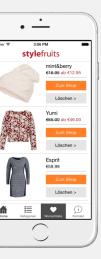
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So how about...



So how about... Clojure?

Expectations set high

- ► short feedback loop
- ► continuous delivery
- automated and pauseless deployment
- ...under load
- high availability, dynamic scaling

we've called it

Ogrom*

* plethora, immensity, enormity

Outline

- I. Architecture
- 2. Deployment and Operations
- 3. Lessons Learned

Architecture

to use a bold word

sources \rightarrow protocols \rightarrow core

protocols define interfaces

```
(defprotocol CollageSource
  (collage-by-id [ctx collage-id]))
```

sources wrap data sources

```
(reify CollageSource
  (collage-by-id [ctx collage-id]
     (fetch-from-mysql ctx collage-id)))
```

sources \rightarrow protocols \rightarrow core

core defines HTTP endpoints

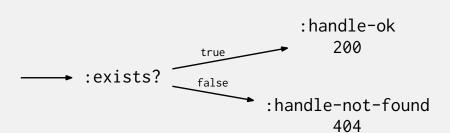
each core endpoint

- ► is independent
- ▶ has all dependencies injected
- ▶ is absolute-path-agnostic
- ▶ is a value

core uses Liberator

```
(defresource product
```

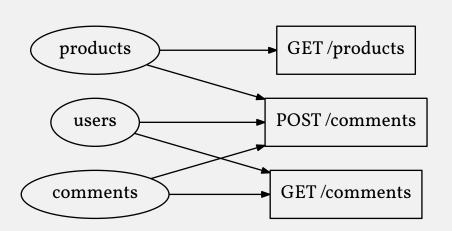
- :exists? find-product-or-return-nil
- :handle-ok render-product
- :handle-not-found render-error-message)

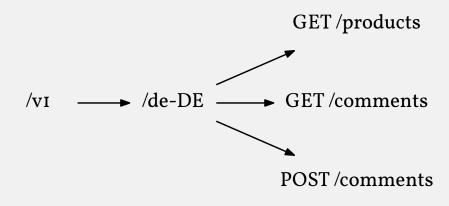


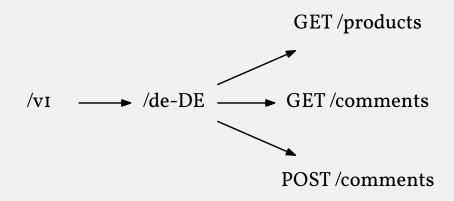
core uses bidi

sources → protocols → core run

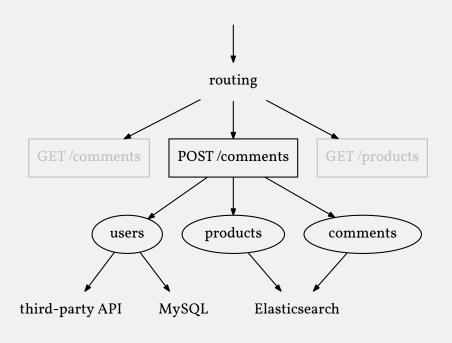
run wires everything together



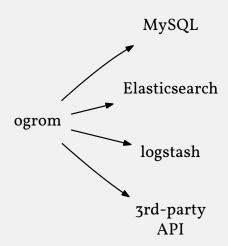


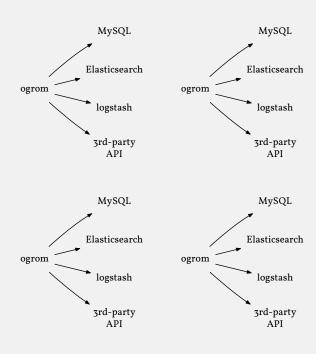


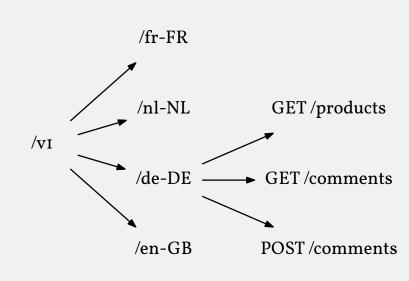
GET /v1/de-DE/comments

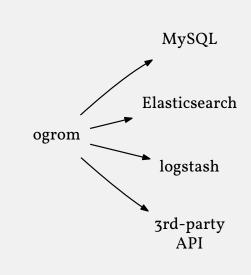


run instantiates a self-contained service





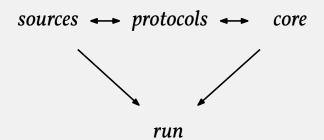




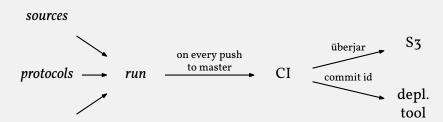
Deployment and Operations

Deployment used to be cumbersome

- Create an überjar
- 2. Upload to *n* boxes
- 3. Restart processes
- 4. Juggle load balancers



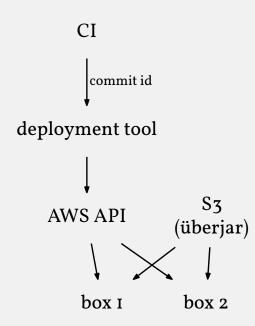
- sources, protocols, core are sem-versioned
- ► run is deployed straight from master



core

Elastic Beanstalk and its environments

- ► EB wraps EC2 and ELB
- ► environments with instances
- runs Docker containers



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Beanstalk 1

Beanstalk 2

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CloudFront



Beanstalk 1

Beanstalk 2

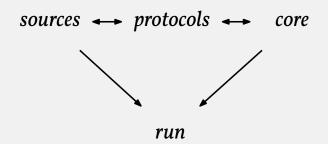
Lessons Learned

and Future Work

Feedback loops are shorter

- Productive development environment
- Bug fixes and features can be deploy the same morning they were asked for

Splitting wasn't strictly necessary



Docker and empowered developers

- Developers are in control over deployment
- Reduced dependency on the ops team
- ▶ Production env ≈ development env

There are some trade-offs

- ► Beanstalk allows opening only a single port when running Docker containers
- ▶ Deployment under load vs. JIT compilation
- ► The deployment takes a while: Clojure compile times, JVM start-up time, etc.
- ► There's no staging environment

Ogrom is an improvement

- Client teams are happy with it
- ▶ It performs well under load and is durable
- Our main web app uses the Ogrom too now

Plans for the future

- ► Ring Swagger
- ► Clojure 1.7 and its reduced compilation time
- Clojure(Script) client API

Migrating to Clojure So much fn

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