



# From **Software Architecture** to **N-tiers Architectures**

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Lecture #2

# Software Architecture **Definition**

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“The **structure** of the system, which comprise **software elements**, externally **visible properties** of those elements, and the **relationships** among them.

# Architecture versus Design?

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Architecture is a subset of design

"External" design

# Software Architecture **Objectives**

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- It has the **functionality** required by the customer
- It is safely buildable on the **required schedule**
- It **performs adequately**
- It is **reliable**
- It is **usable** and **safe to use**





[Plonk et replonk]

De la presquitude des choses.

thanks to Clémentine Némó for the reference

# Software Architecture **Concerns**

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Producibility

**Functionality**

**Changeability**

Security

**Modularity**

Performance

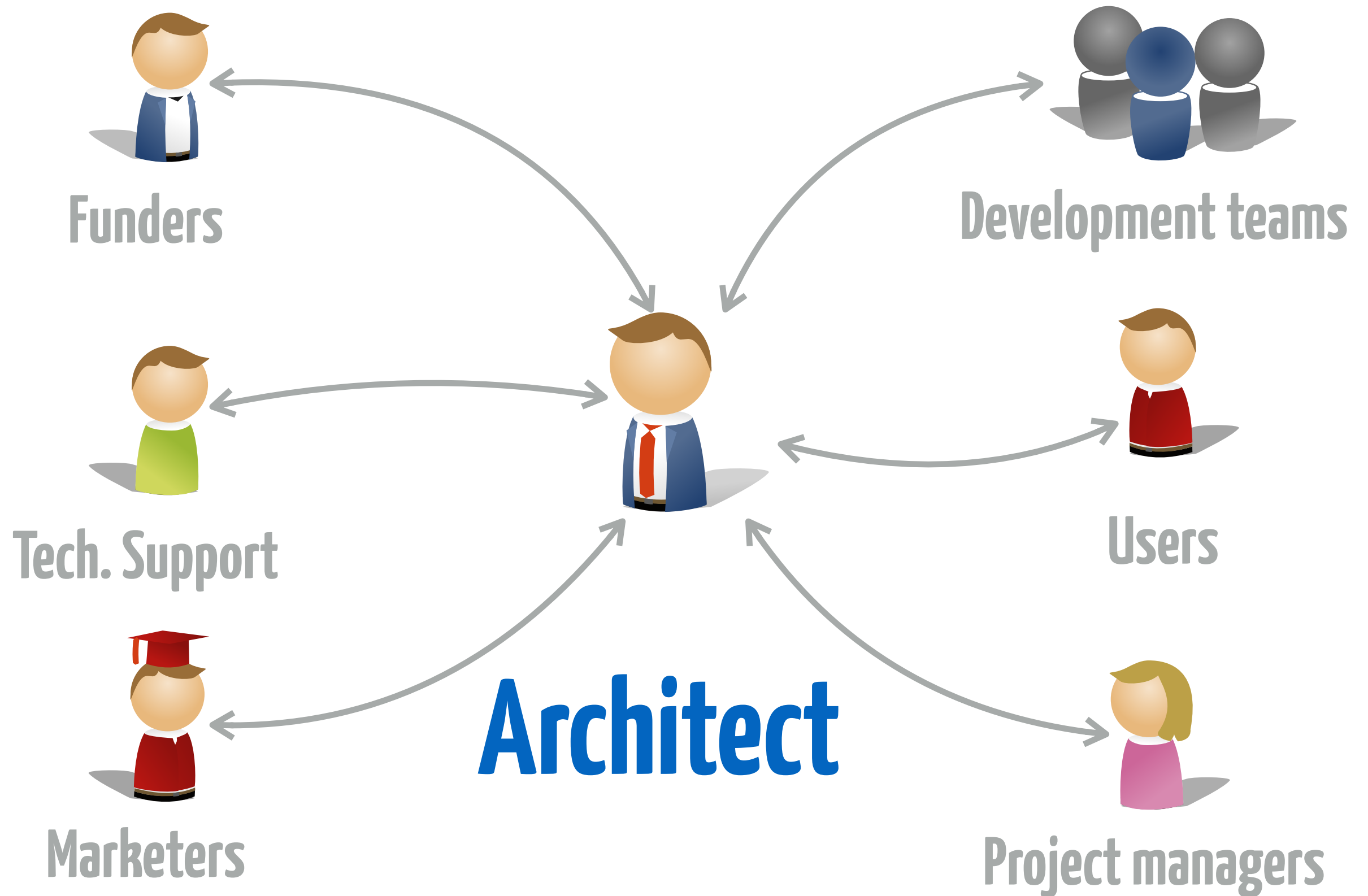
**Ecosystem**

Buildability



# The Architect **Ecosystem**

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# Expect the **unexpected!**

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Parameters that were

**never** going to **change**

now need to be **modified.**



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Architectural rule of thumb

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Layered Architectures

3

Support from the



# Architectural **rule of thumb**

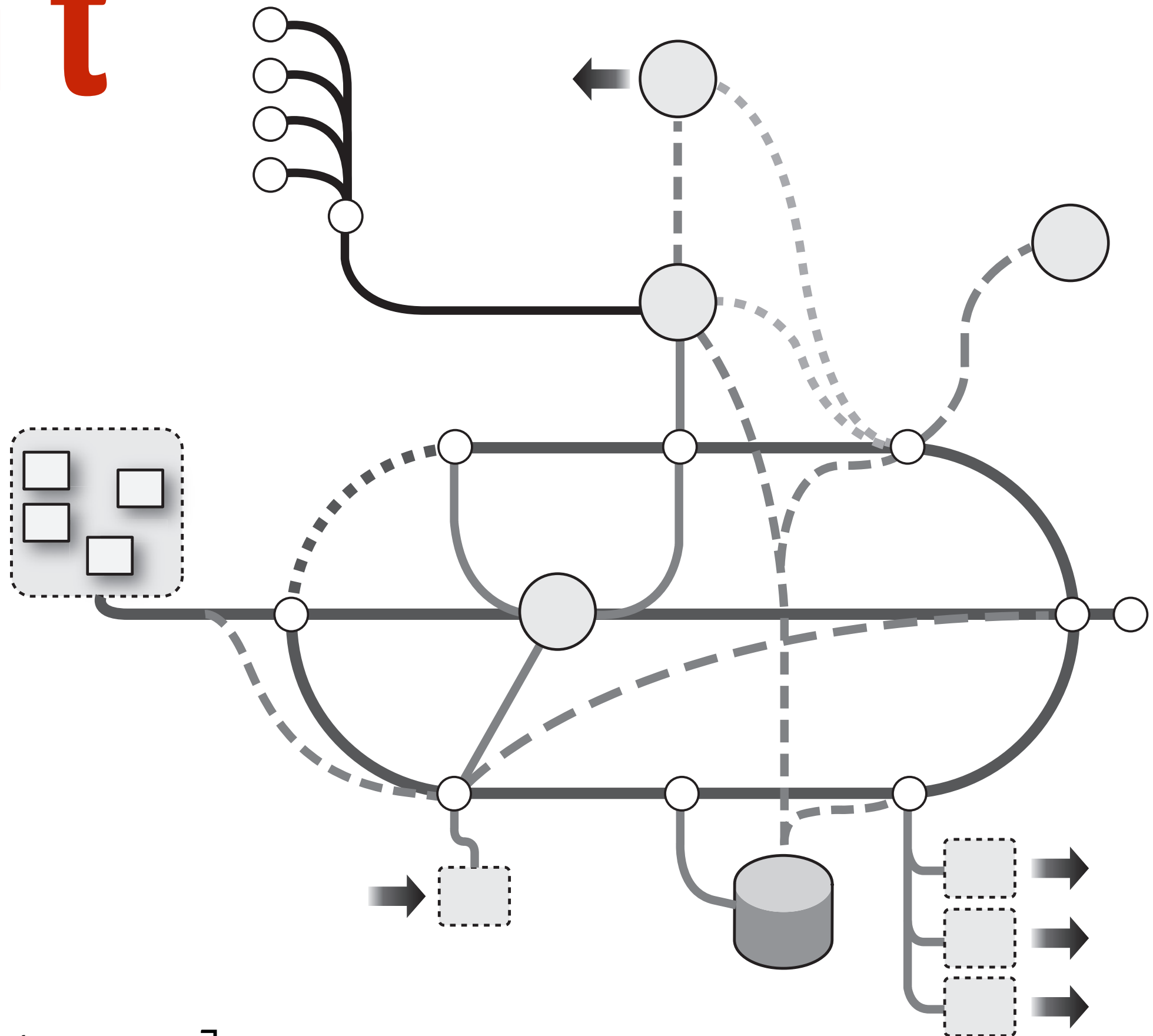
[Beautiful Architecture]

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Software **architecture** is  
**not set in stone.**

**Change** if you need it.

# Don't



[Beautiful Architecture]



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A **fuzzy architecture**

leads to **individual** code,

**duplication** of code and effort.

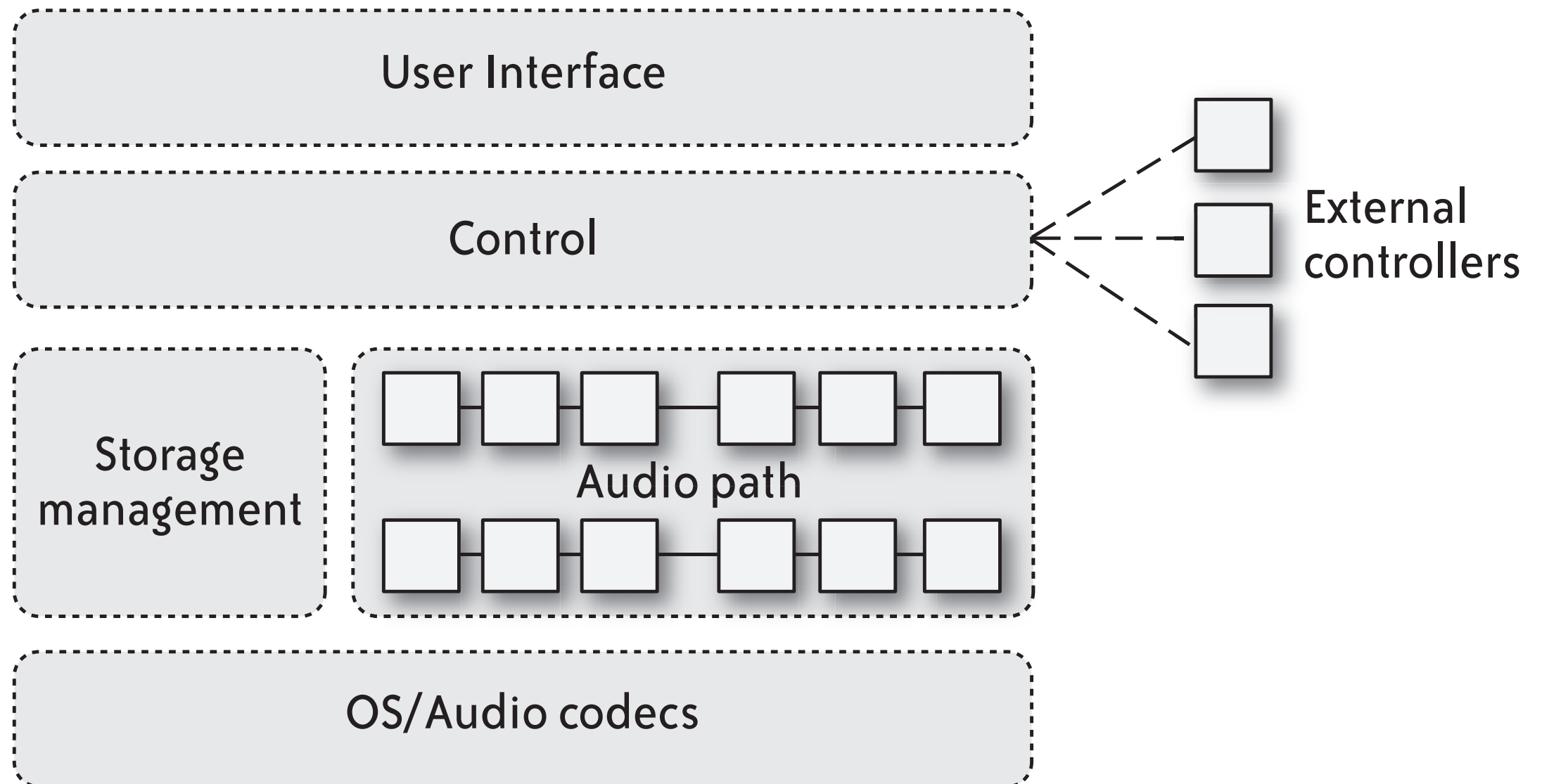
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**Bad** architectural **design**

**leads to further**

**bad** architectural **design.**

# Do



[Beautiful Architecture]

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A clear architectural

design leads to a

consistent system.

[Beautiful Architecture]



# Cohesion versus Coupling

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## Cohesion:

"how related functionality is gathered together".

## Coupling:

"Measurement of interdependency between modules".



**Low** cohesion,  
**Strong** coupling

**Strong** cohesion,  
**Low** coupling



**TCF : The Cookie Factory 2**

[https://github.com/collet/4A\\_ISA\\_TheCookieFactory](https://github.com/collet/4A_ISA_TheCookieFactory)

## Chapters

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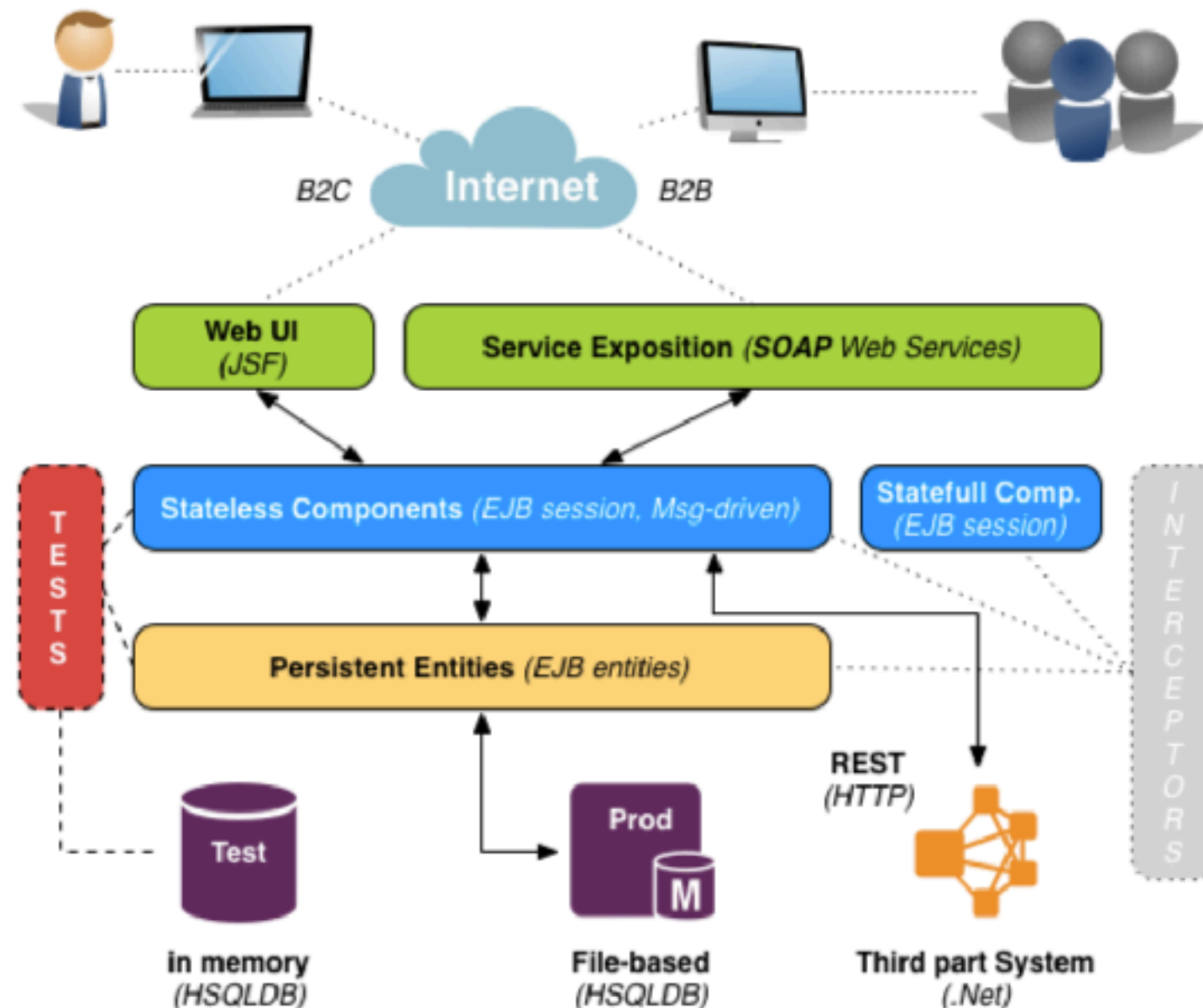


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## Product vision

*The Cookie Factory* (TCF) is a major bakery brand in the USA. The *Cookie on Demand* (CoD) system is an innovative service offered by TCF to its customer. They can order cookies online thanks to an application, and select when they'll pick-up their order in a given shop. The CoD system ensures to TCF's happy customers that they'll always retrieve their pre-paid warm cookies on time.

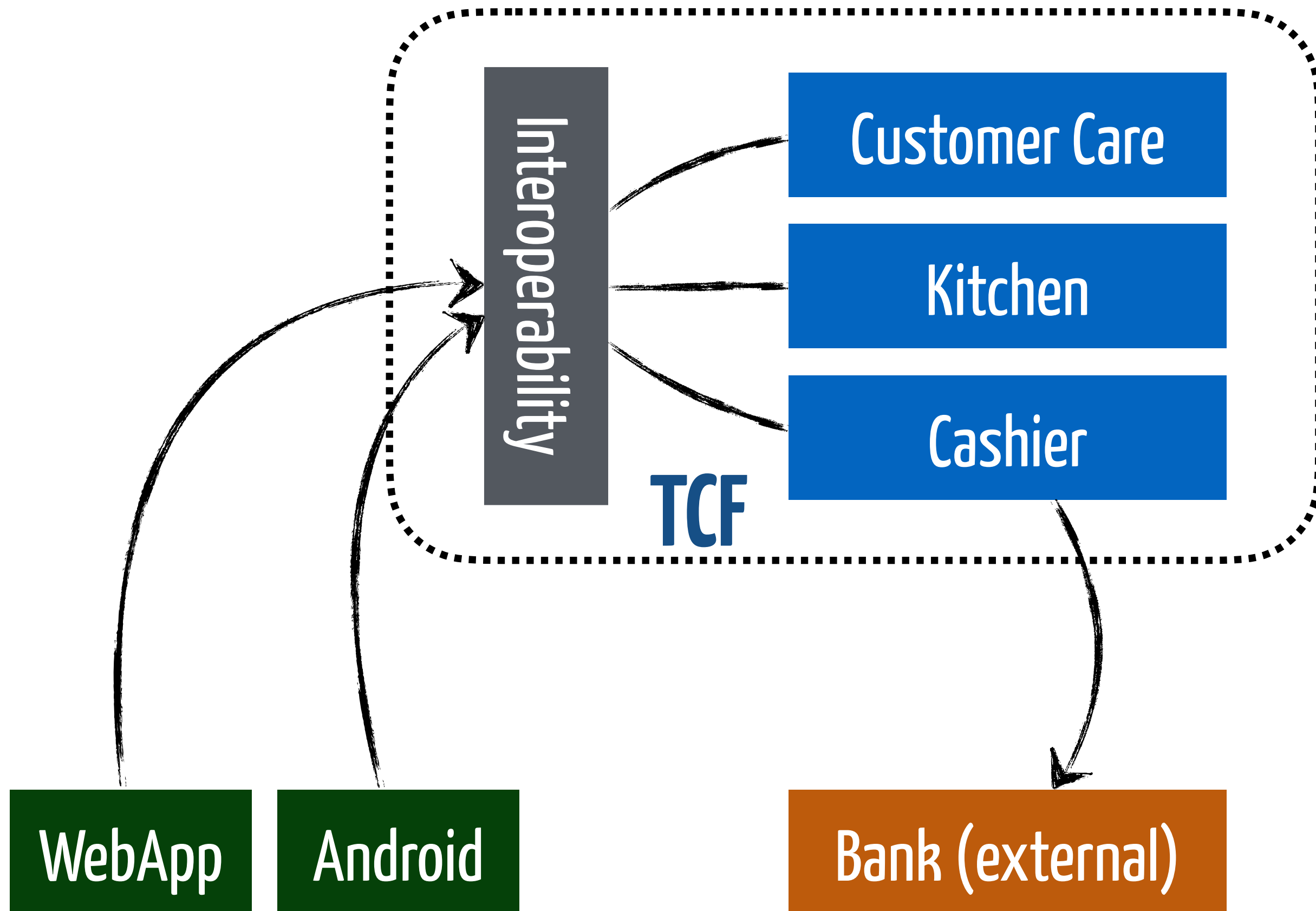
The software architecture to be developed in this document will rely on the following stack:



# What are the “modules” in TCF?

How are they  
related to each  
others?





# Answers



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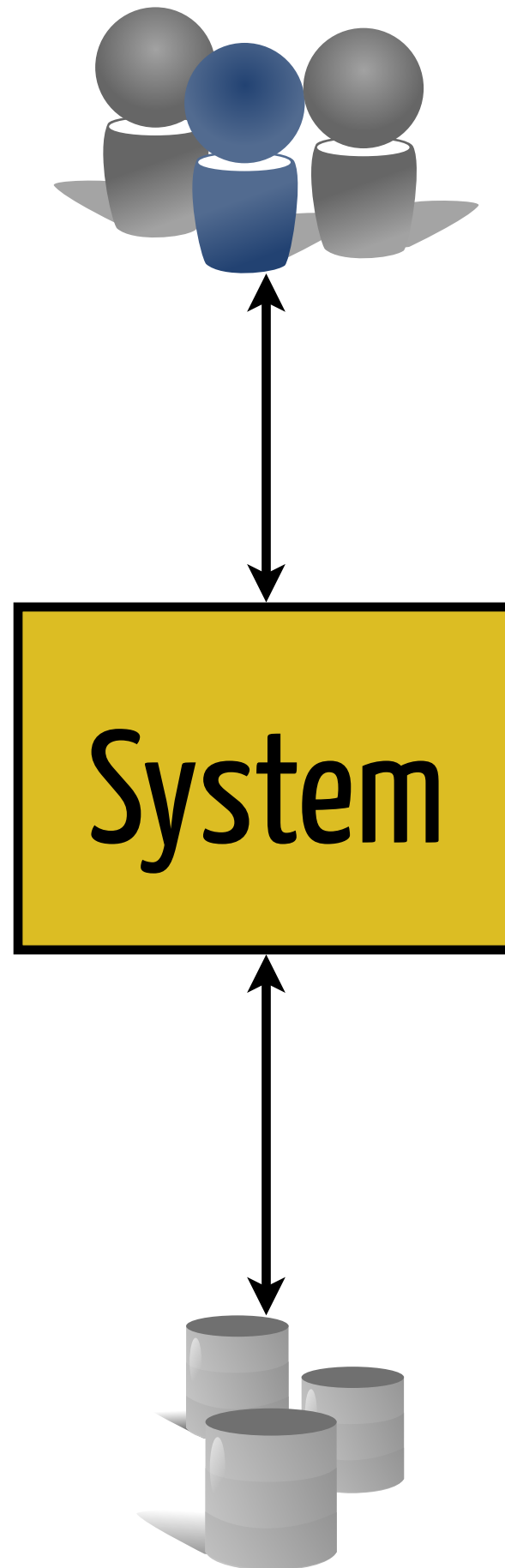
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# Layered Architectures



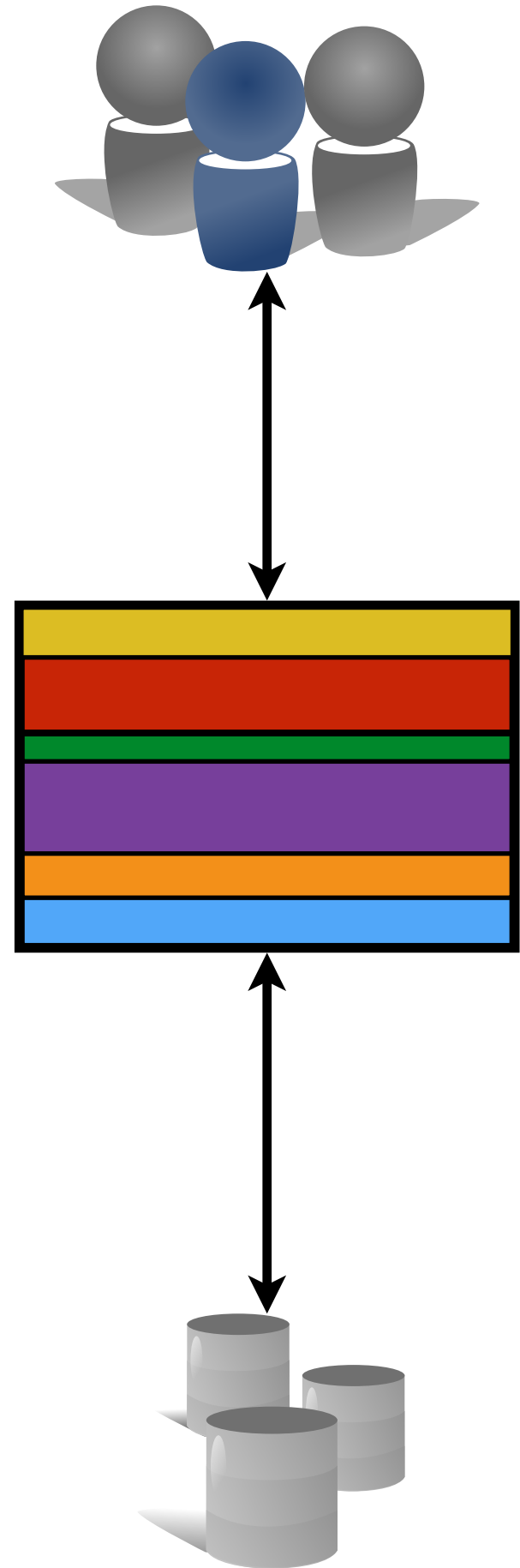


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# Layers

support

# modularity



“Ma-gni-fique”



thanks to Clém for the reference

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**4A**

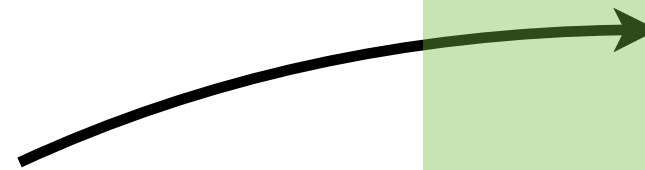
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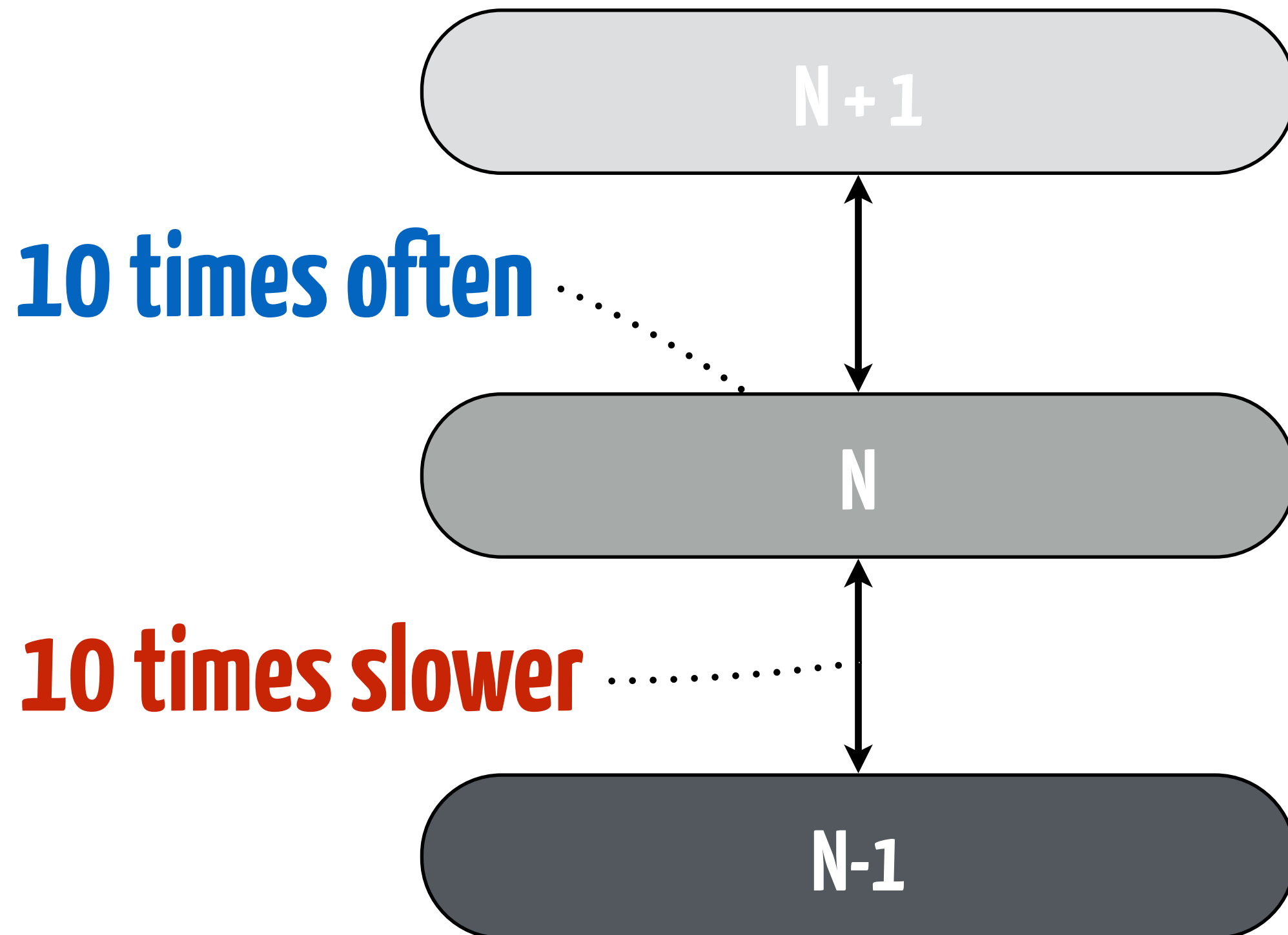
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# The rule of 10

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# Theory & Practice

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## Theory:

you know everything but nothing works

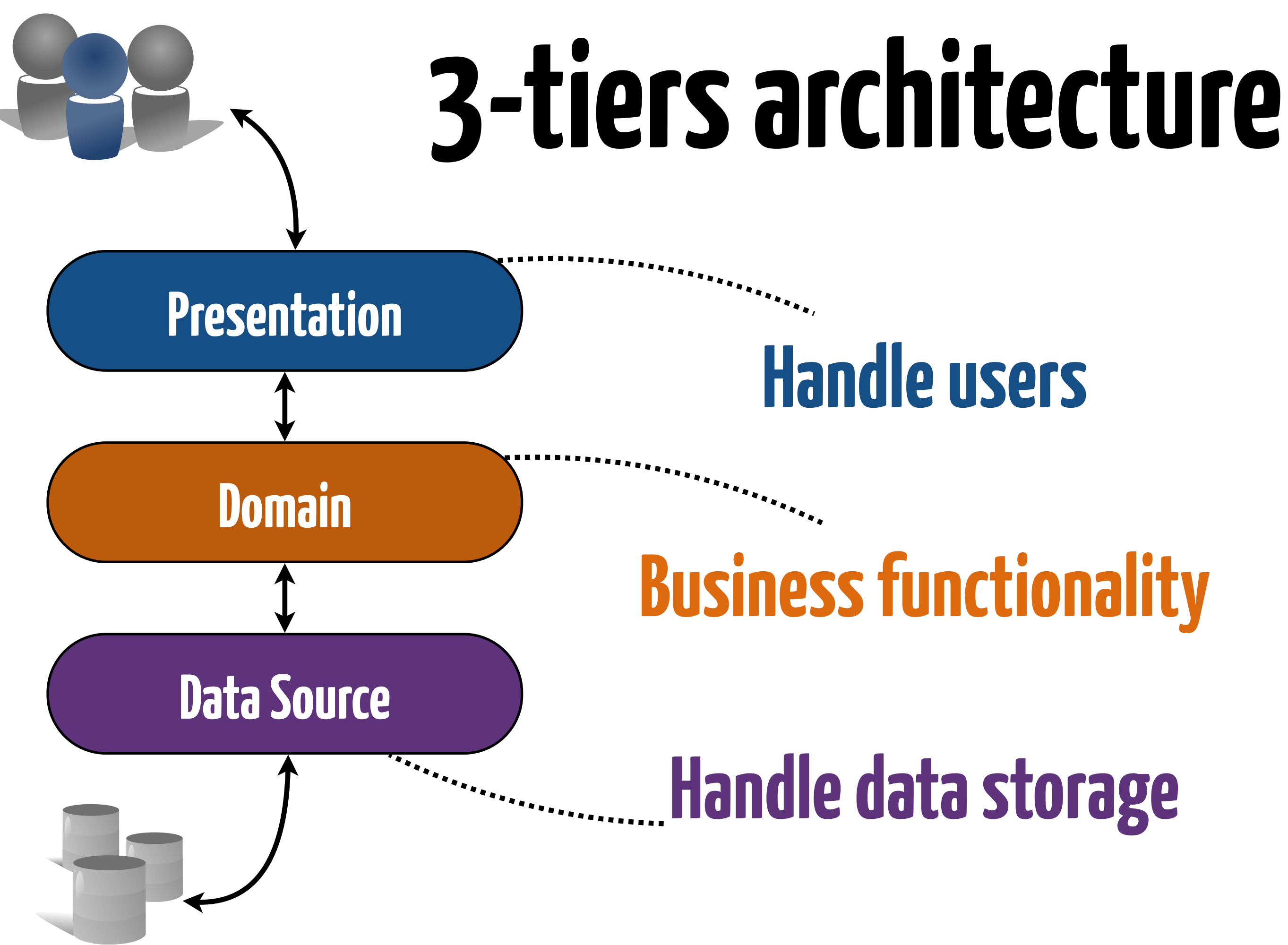
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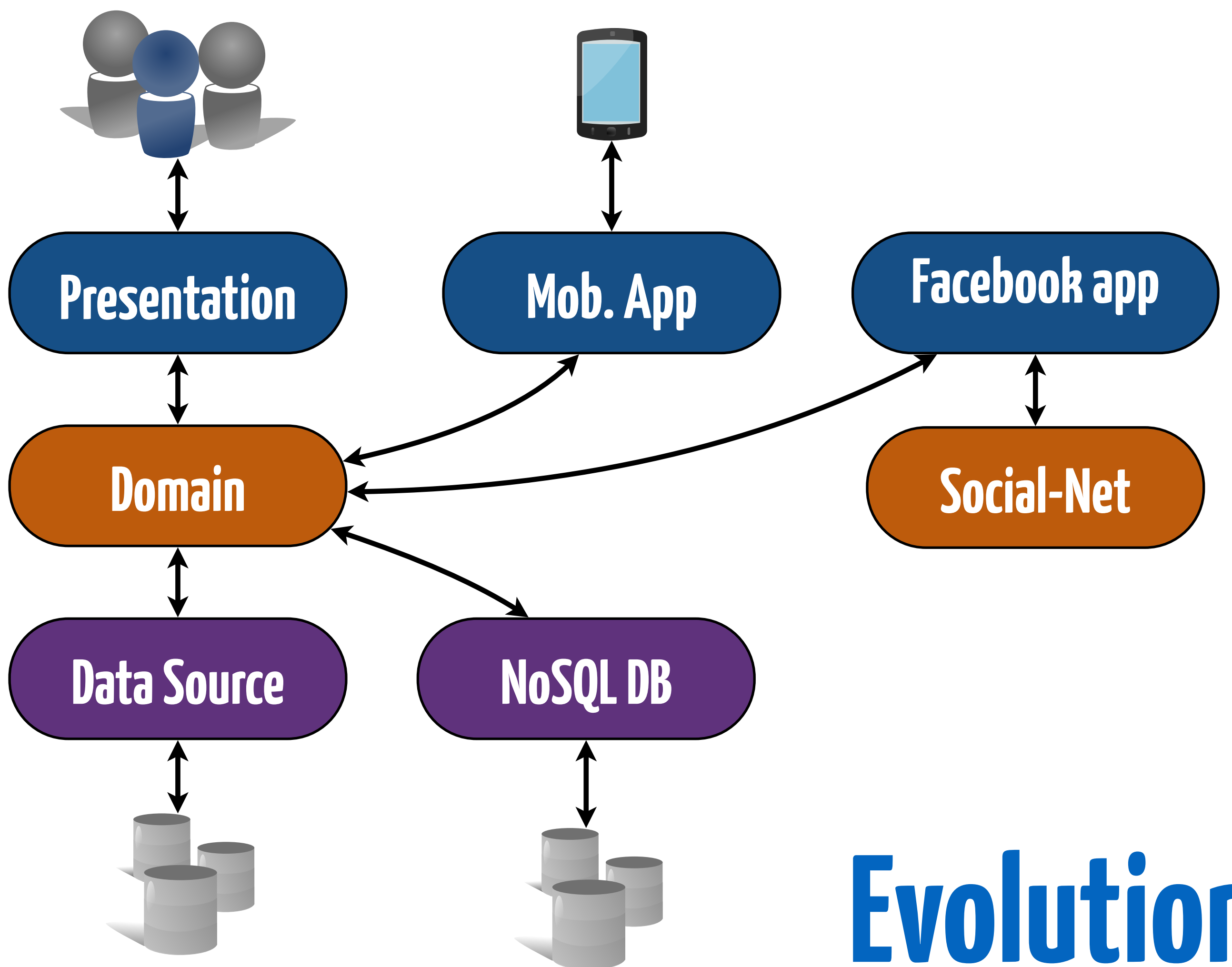
It works, but no one knows why

In theory, **N-tiers** architecture

**In practice,  $N = 3$**   
(or 5)

# 3-tiers architecture





# Evolution

# Contents of the $\neq$ layers in TCF?

How to chose  
between layers?



WebApp

Android

Interoperability

Customer Care

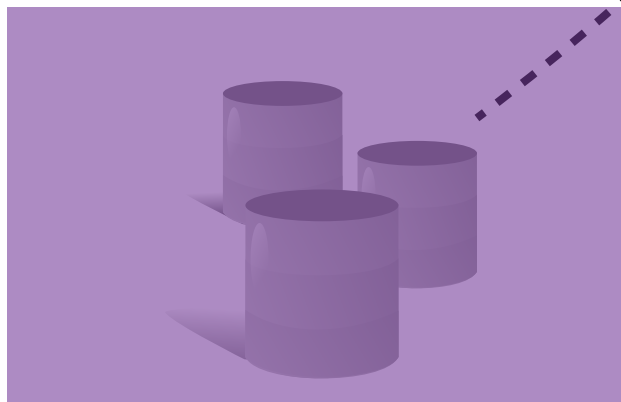
Kitchen

Cashier

Presentation

Domain

Bank (external)



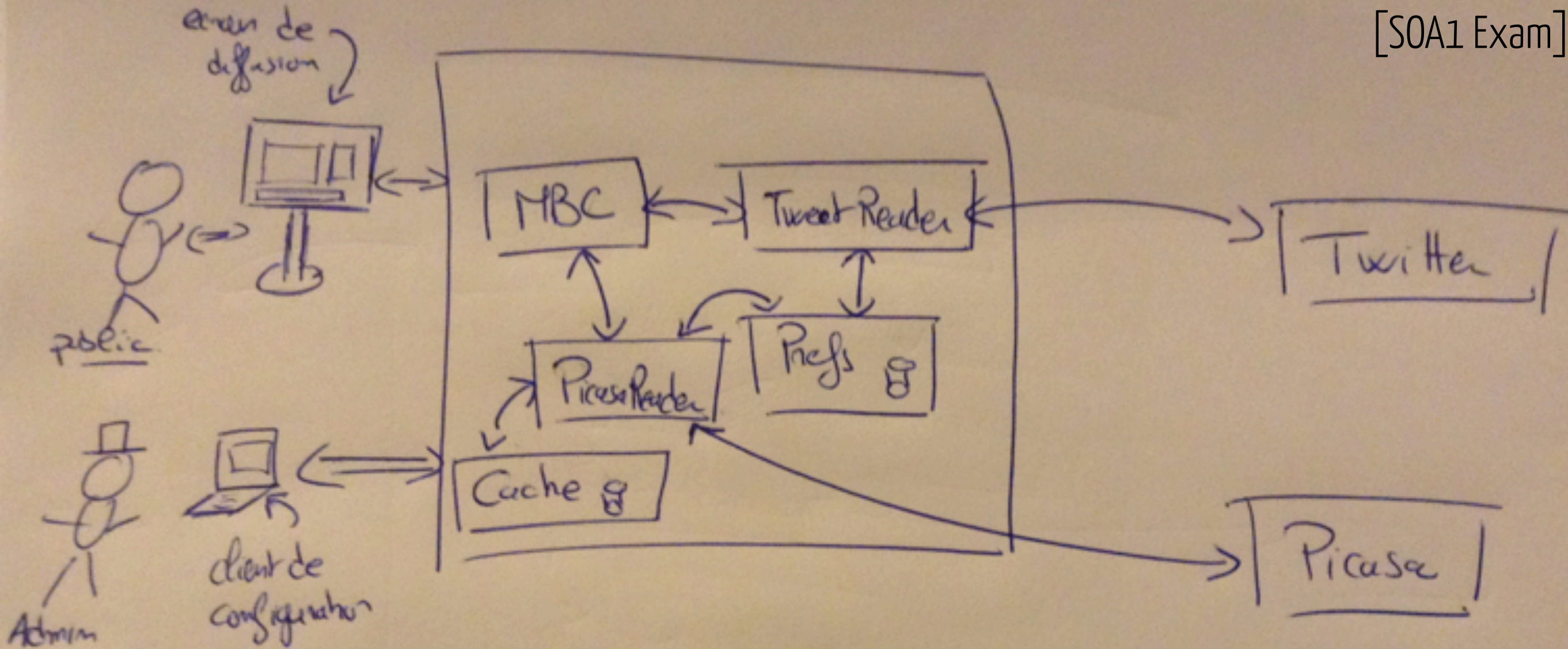
Data Source



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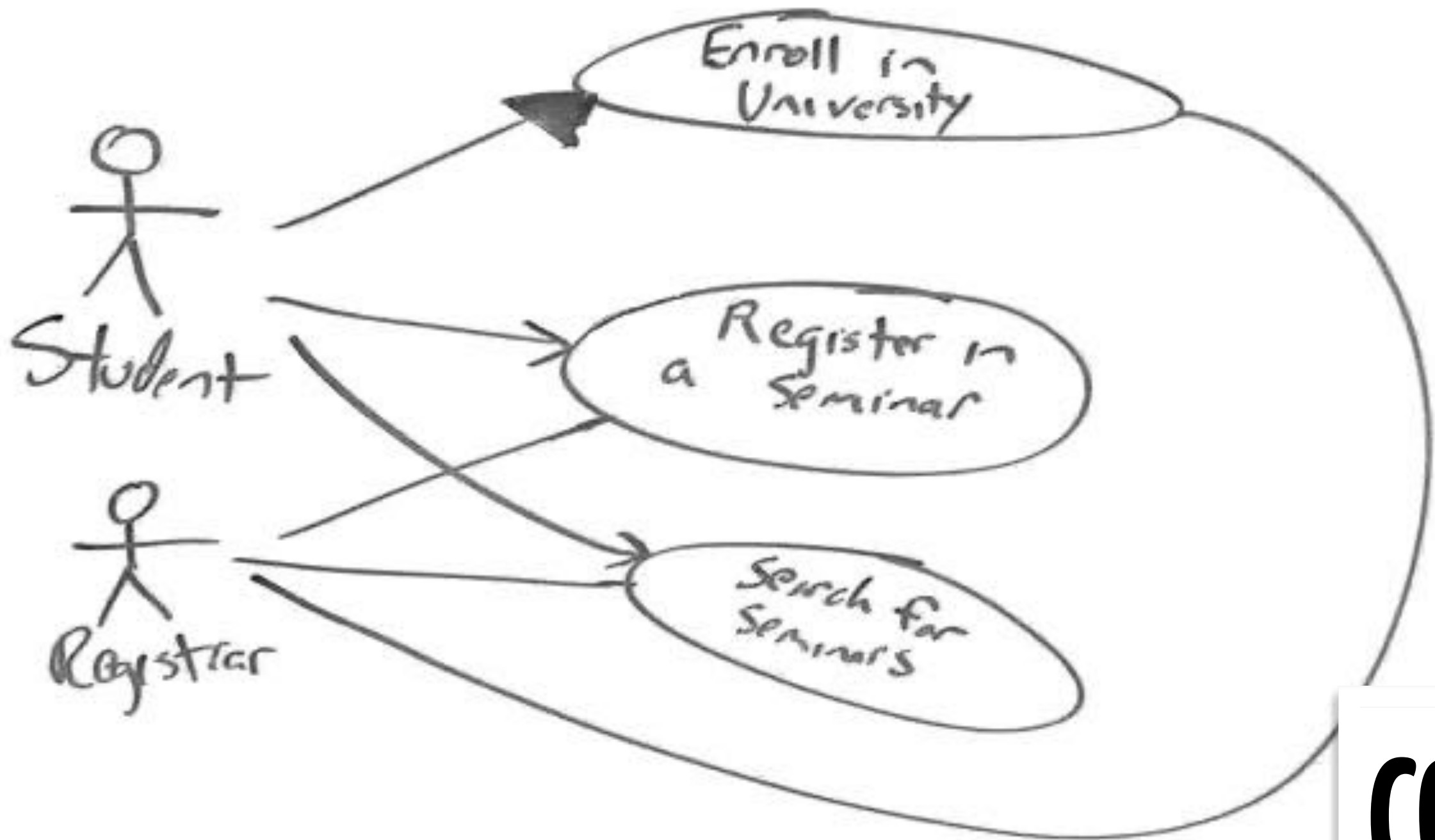


The **UML** is just a  
**standard syntax**  
for modeling



One can design a Software Architecture  
**without the UML**

# Use case diagrams



**COO**

# TCF MVP

**Minimal &  
Viable Use  
Case ?**





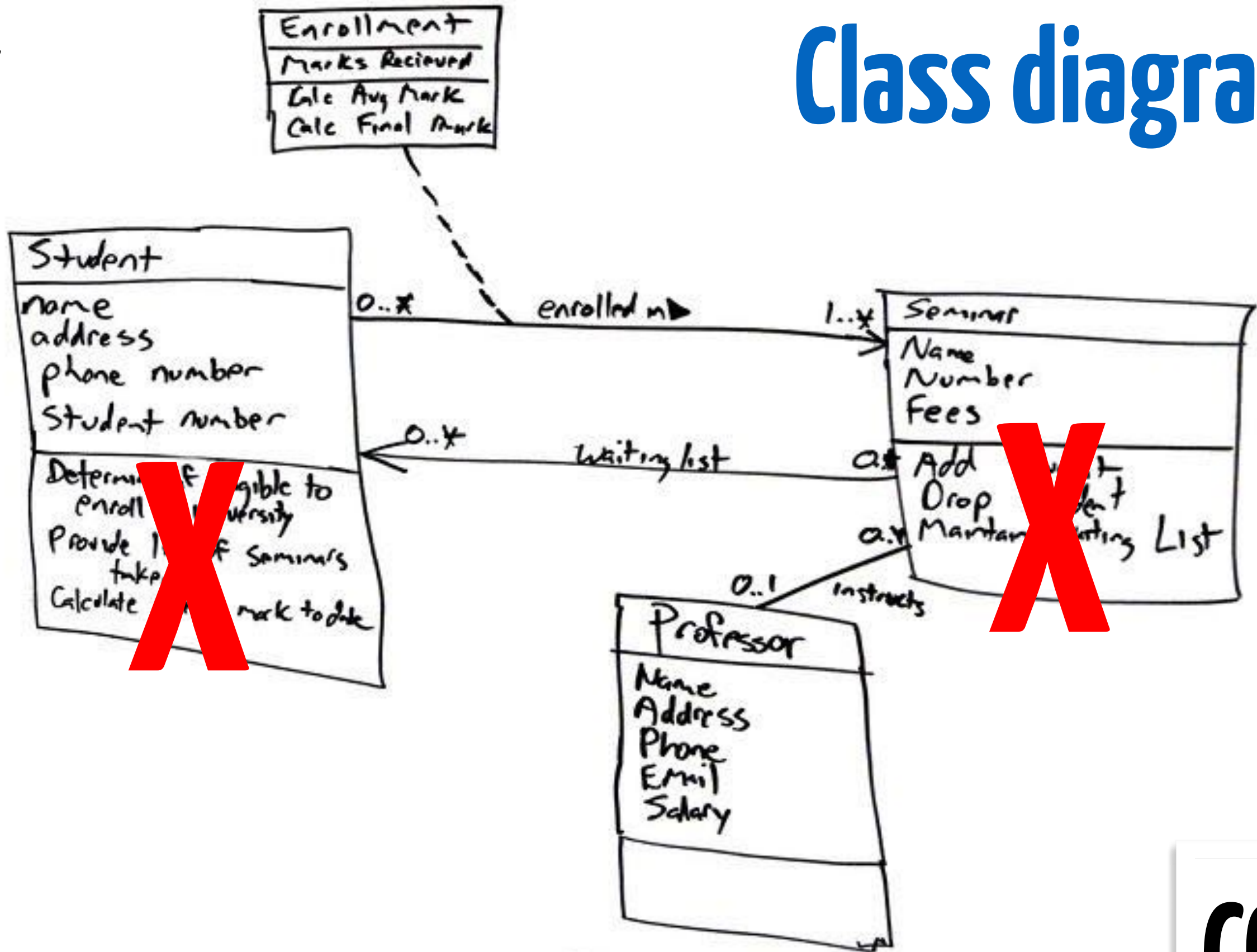
customer



Order a Cookie



# Class diagrams



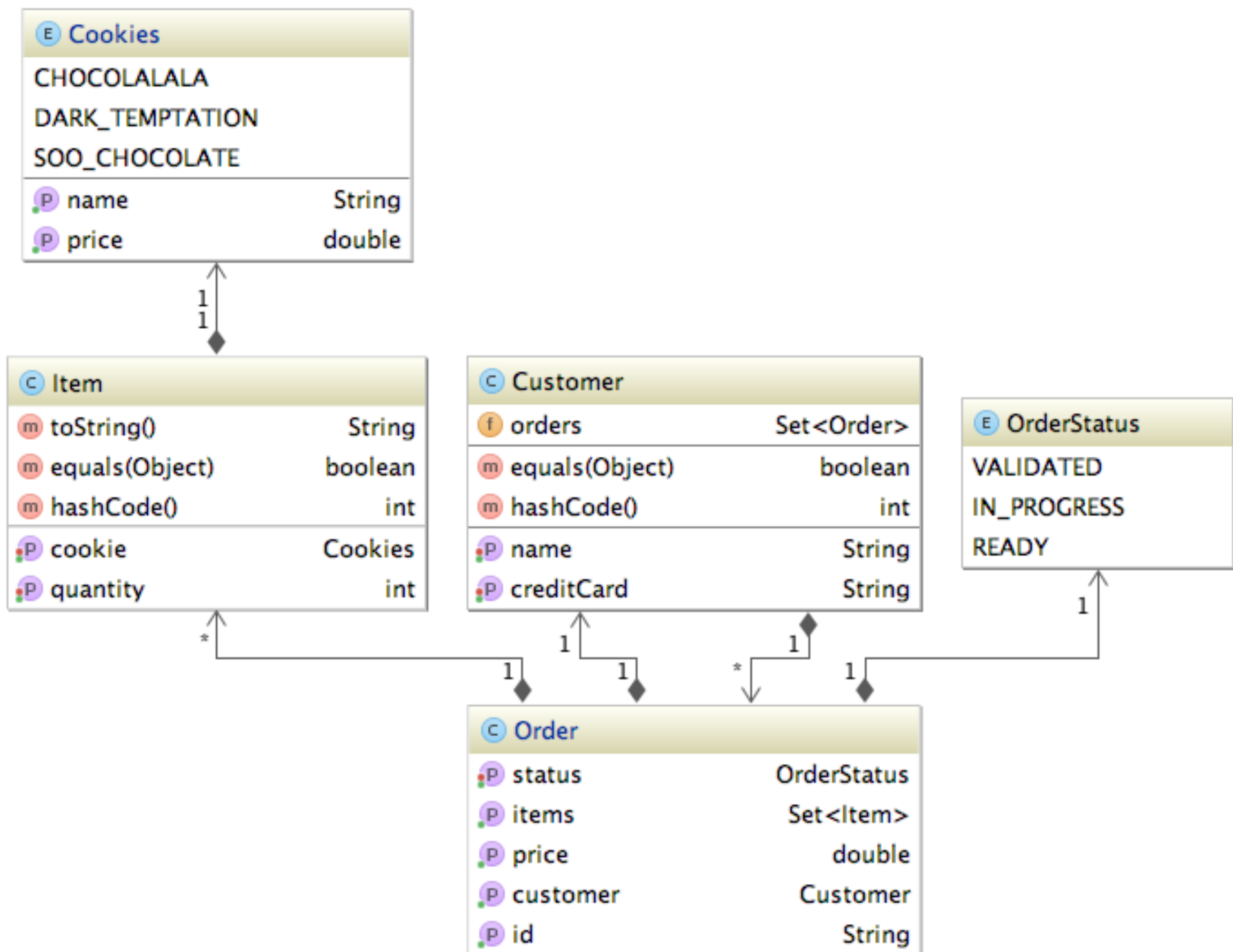
Business objects => **no methods**

COO

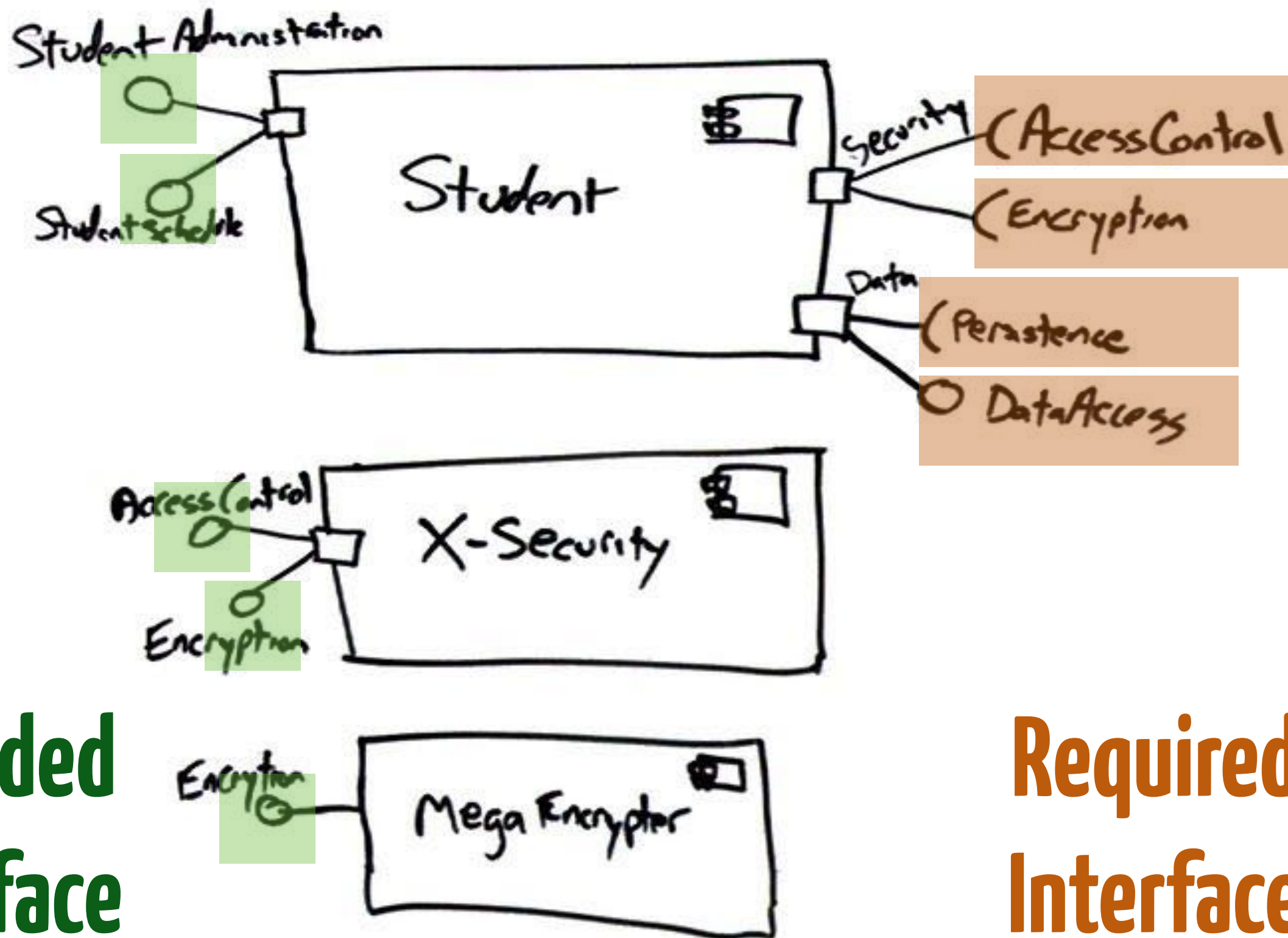
# TCF MVP

**Business  
Objects  
(≠ “objects”  
as in COO)**





# Components diagrams



**Provided  
Interface**

**Required  
Interface**



# I & D of the **SOLID** principles

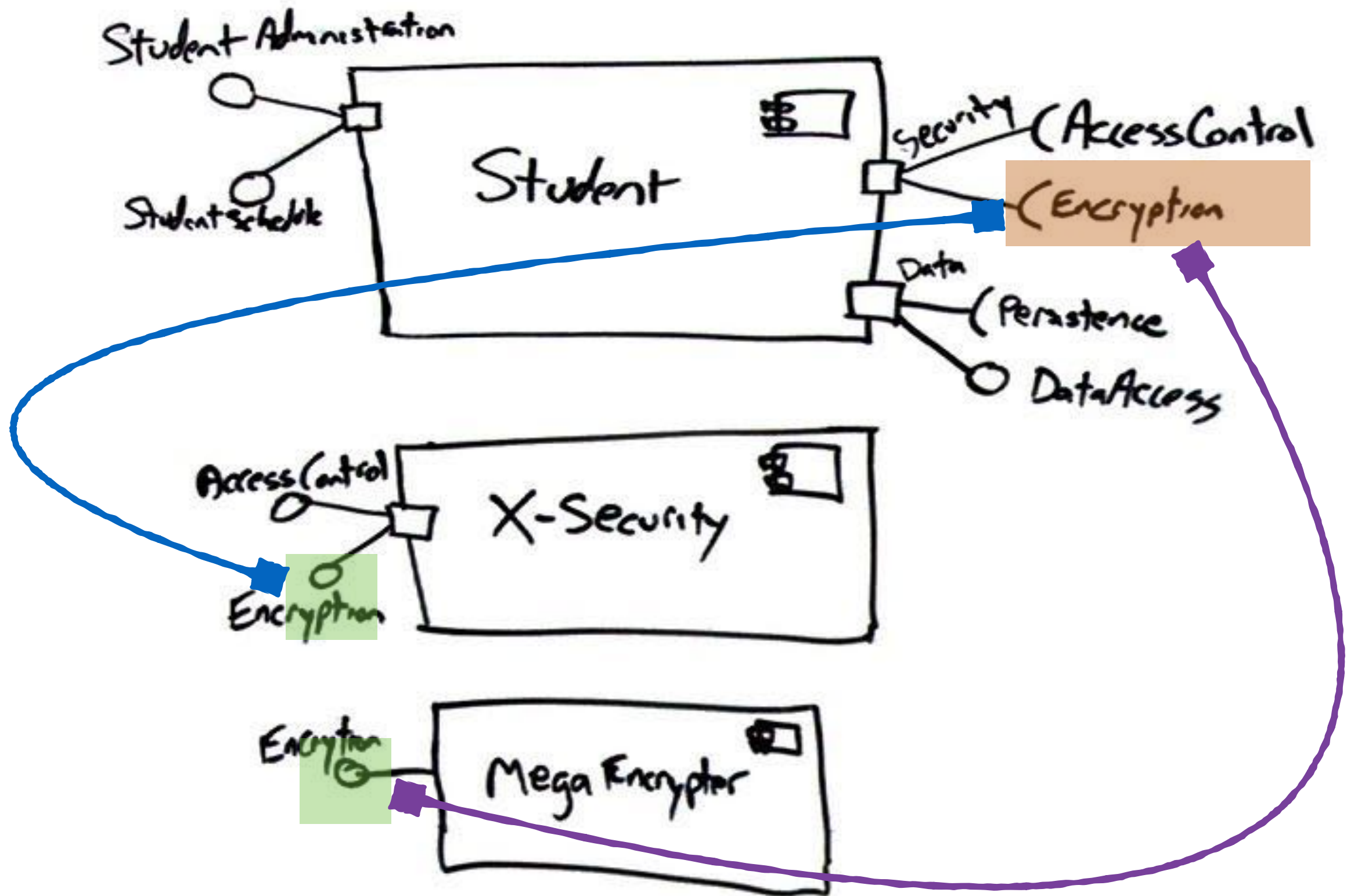
## 3A

Initial	Stands for	Concept
S	SRP <sup>[4]</sup>	<b>Single responsibility principle</b> a class should have only a single responsibility (i.e. only one potential change in the software's specification should be able to affect the specification of the class)
O	OCP <sup>[5]</sup>	<b>Open/closed principle</b> "software entities ... should be open for extension, but closed for modification."
L	LSP <sup>[6]</sup>	<b>Liskov substitution principle</b> "objects in a program should be replaceable with instances of their subtypes without altering the correctness of that program." See also <a href="#">design by contract</a> .
I	ISP <sup>[7]</sup>	<b>Interface segregation principle</b> "many client-specific interfaces are better than one general-purpose interface." <sup>[8]</sup>
D	DIP <sup>[9]</sup>	<b>Dependency inversion principle</b> one should "depend upon abstractions, [not] concretions." <sup>[8]</sup>

## 4A

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SOLID\\_\(object-oriented\\_design\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SOLID_(object-oriented_design))

# Binding Components





# Example of Implementation

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```
class Student implements
    StudentAdministration, StudentSchedule {

Encryption e = new MegaEncrypter(...)

}
```

```
class Student implements
    StudentAdministration, StudentSchedule {

    AssemblyContext ctx = ...
    Encryption e = ctx.inject(Encryption.class)

}
```

# Teaser: Annotation-based injection

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## Provided Interface

```
class Student implements  
    StudentAdministration, StudentSchedule {  
  
    @Inject  
    private Encryption e;  
  
}
```

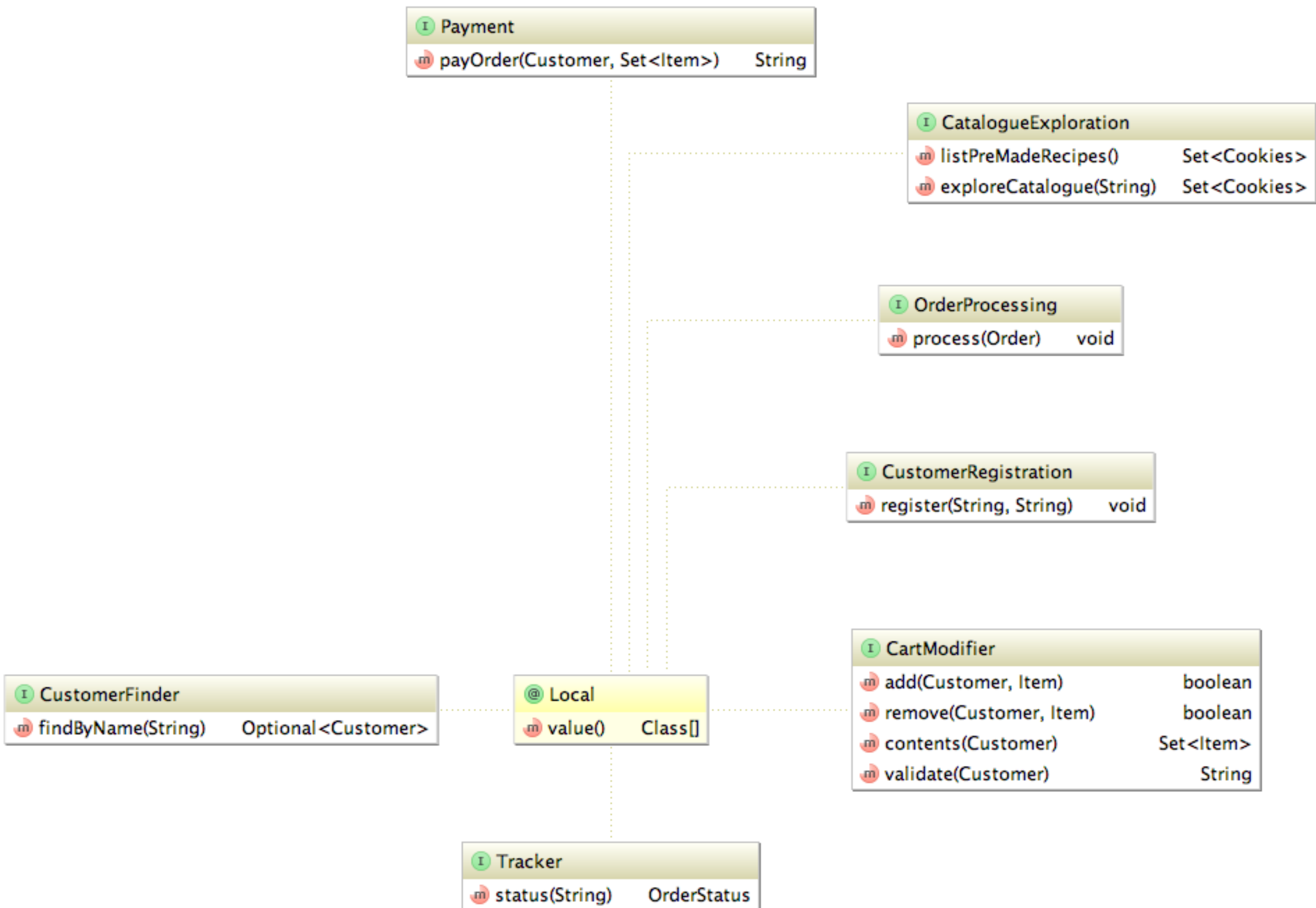
## Required Interface

# TCF MVP

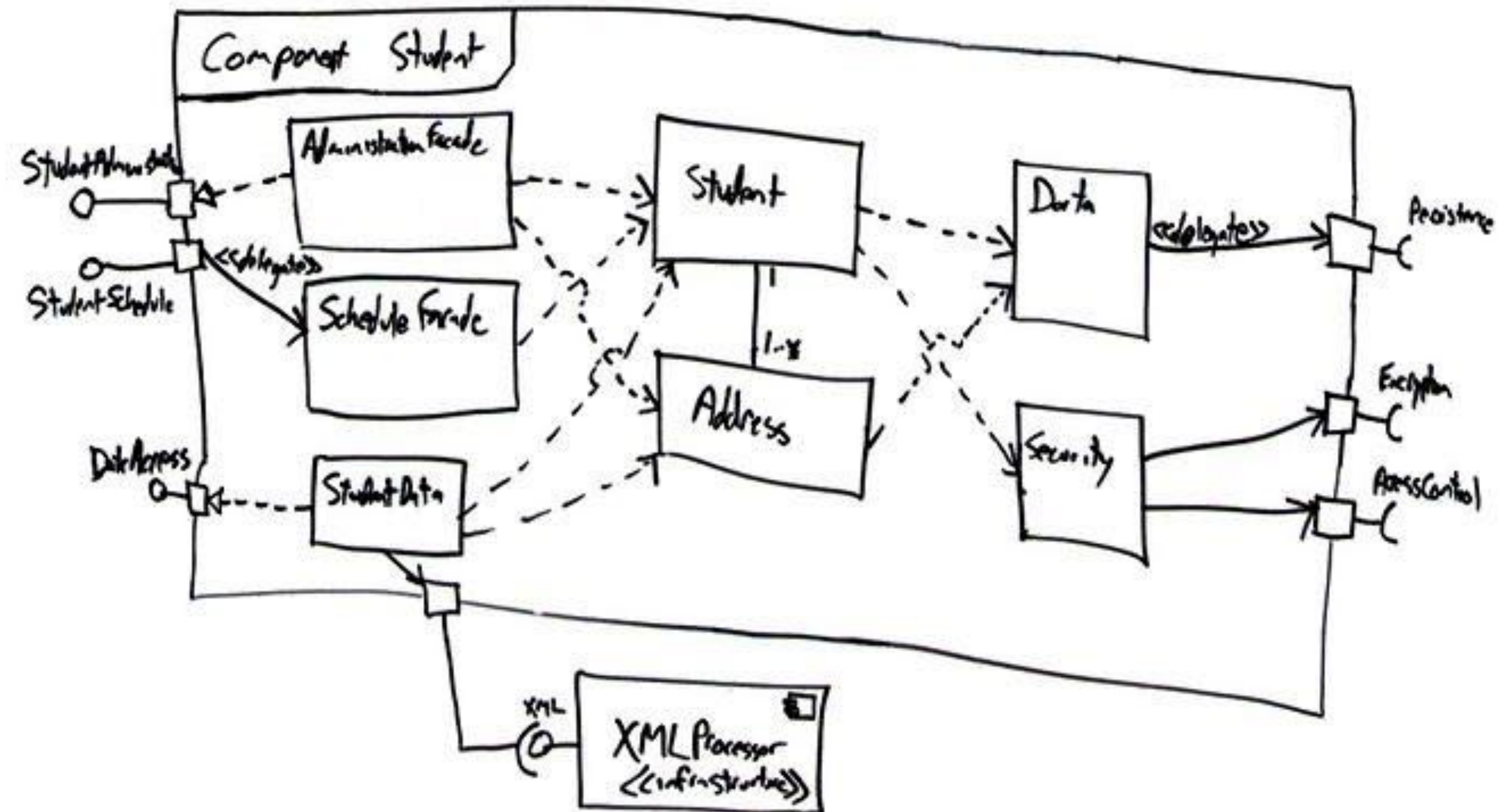
## Functional Interfaces for TCF?

## Components?





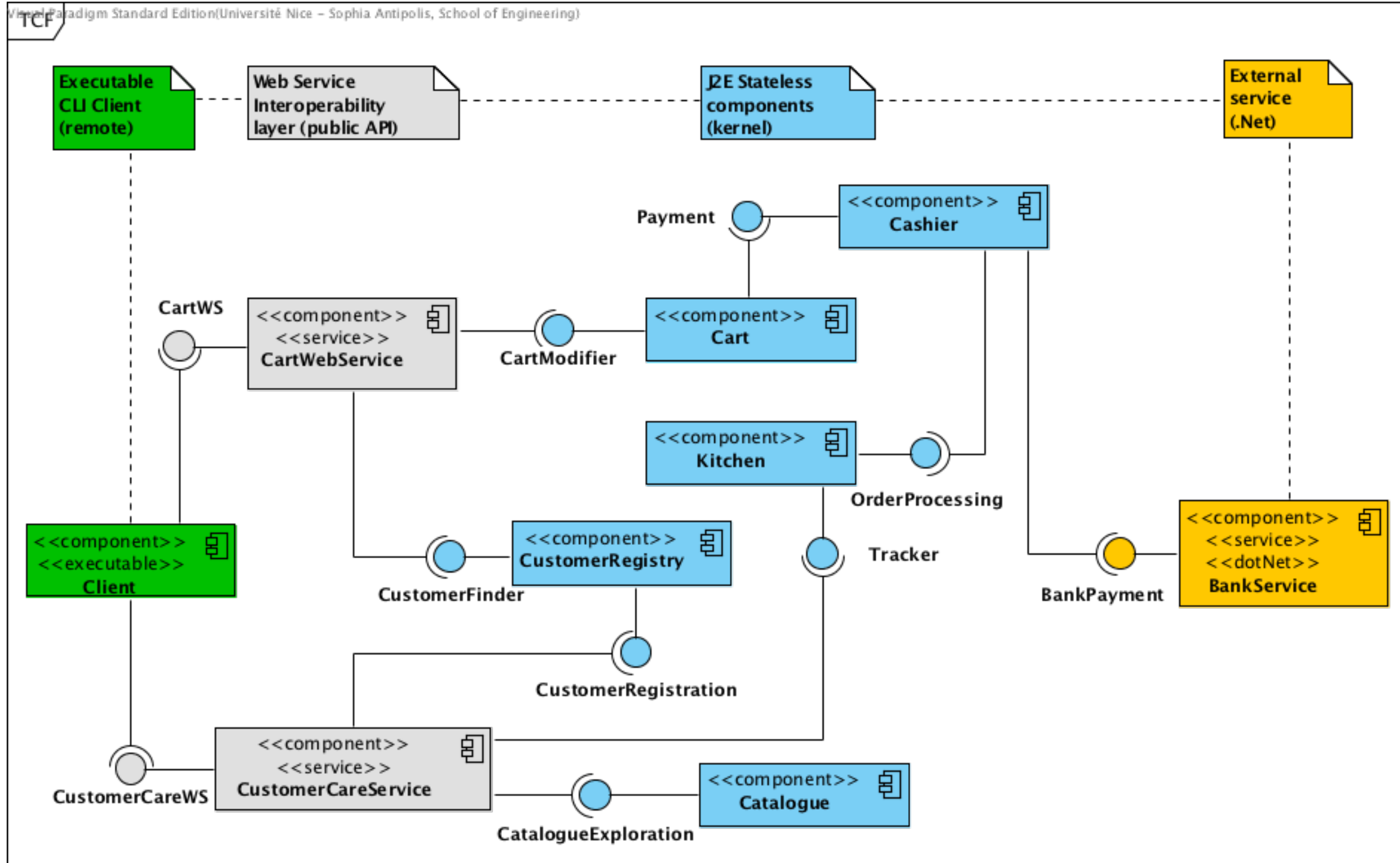
# Components Assembly



# TCF MVP

**Component  
Assembly ?**







# Architecture Report (first report)

You must deliver a PDF file at the root of your main repository on Github, named architecture.pdf.

There is no page limit but concision is an evaluation criterion (and your report should be ~10 pages long):

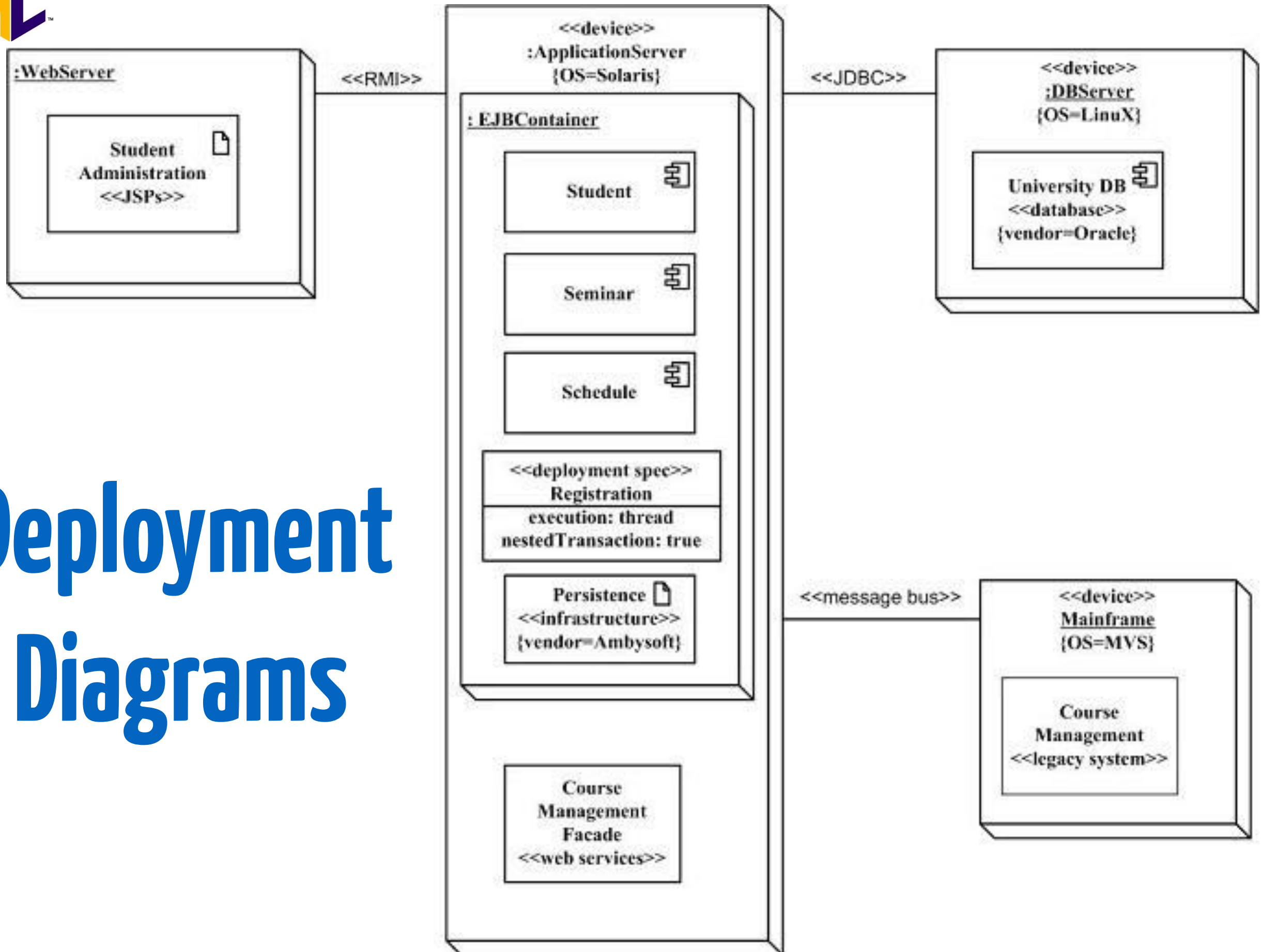
**Sunday 14th, February, 8:00pm**

It must contain the following architecture description:

- Use cases diagrams;
- Business objects definition as class diagram;
- Interfaces pseudo-code definition (e.g., Java like);
- Components described by a component diagram;

Each artefact must be justified with respect to its relevance in your architecture.

# Deployment Diagrams



# TCF MVP

**How to  
deploy TCF ?**



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