Module "Design & architecture"

Submodule "Design patterns and architecture patterns"

Part 2

UA Resource Development Unit

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AGENDA

1. MVC (MVP, MVVM)
2. Multilayered and onion architectures

MVC (MVP, MVVM)

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- Model-View-Controller (MVC)
- Model-View-Presenter (MVP)
- Model-View-View Model (MVVC)

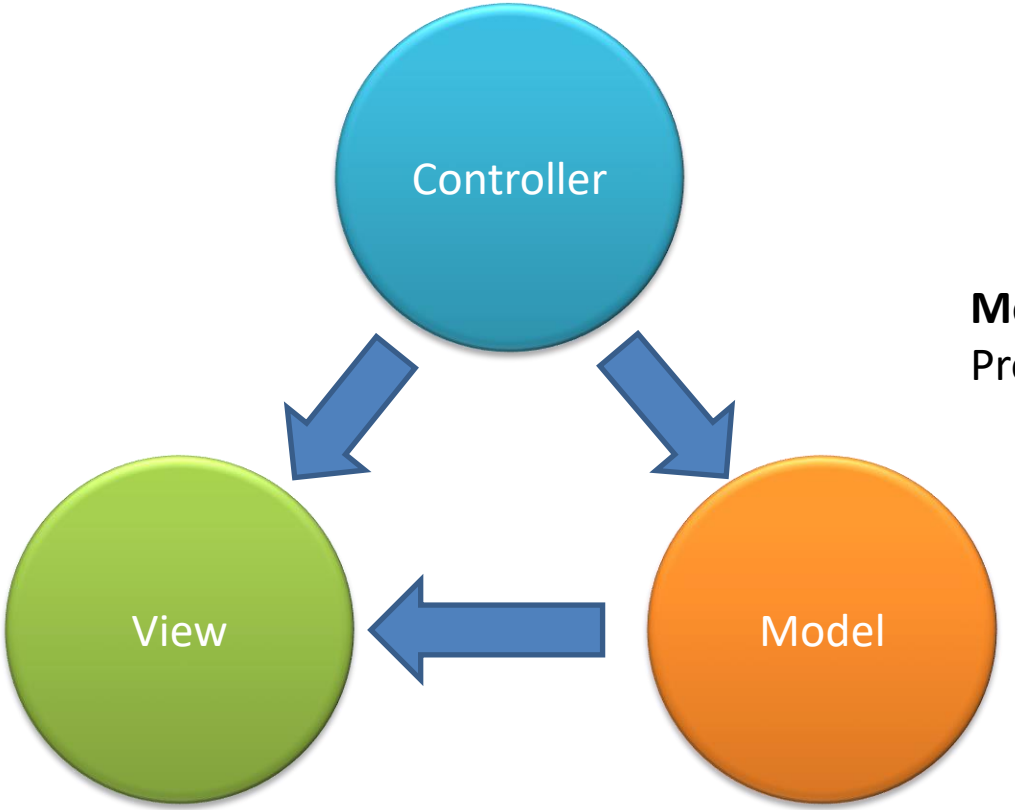
MVC (MVP, MVVM): What Do We Want to Achieve?

- Scalability
- Maintainability
- Reliability

- Separation of Concerns
- Code Reusability
- Testability

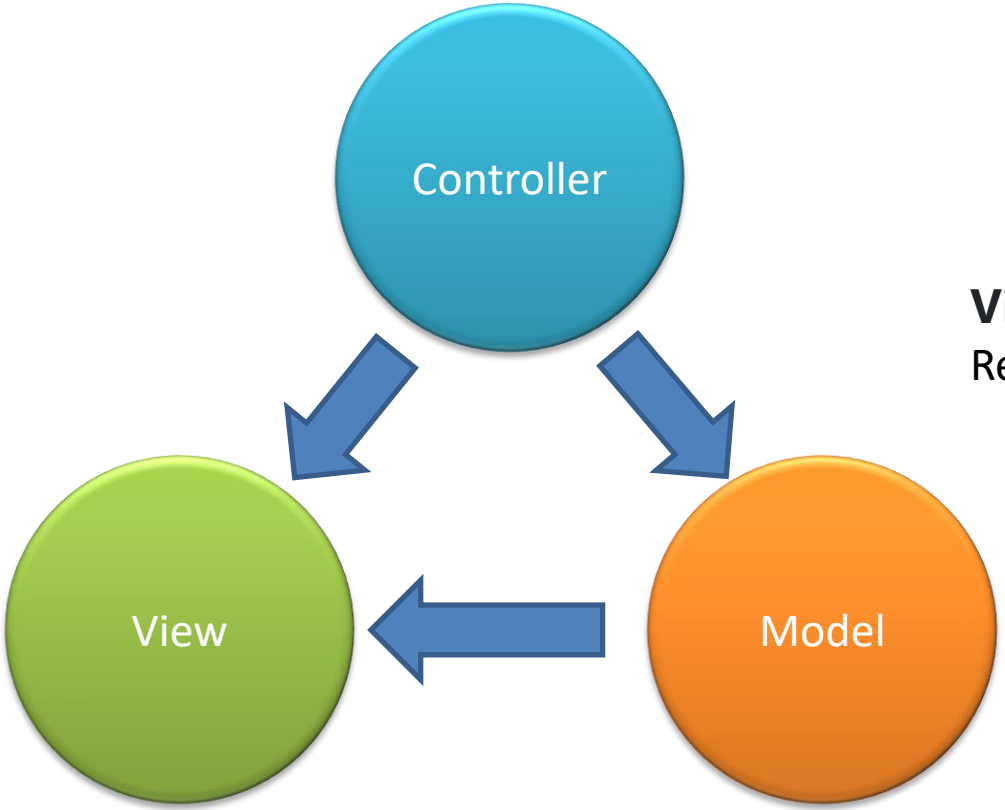
Model View Controller (MVC)

MVC: Model



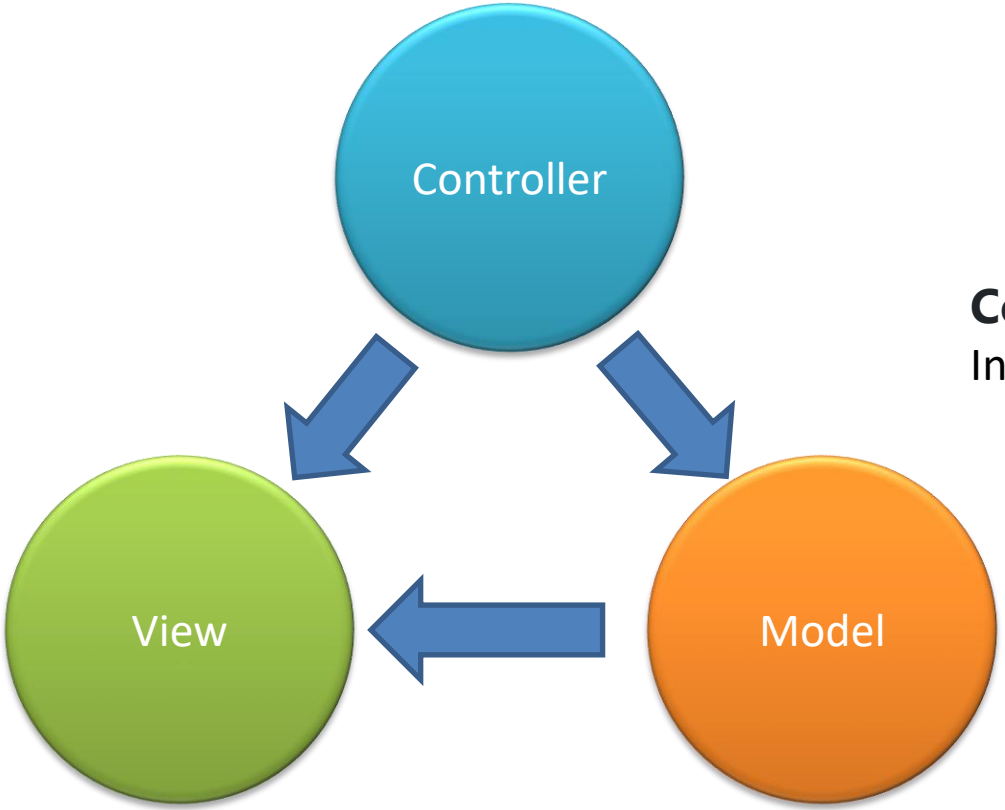
Model
Provide data and associated logic to the View

MVC: View



View
Render the Model to the View

MVC: Controller



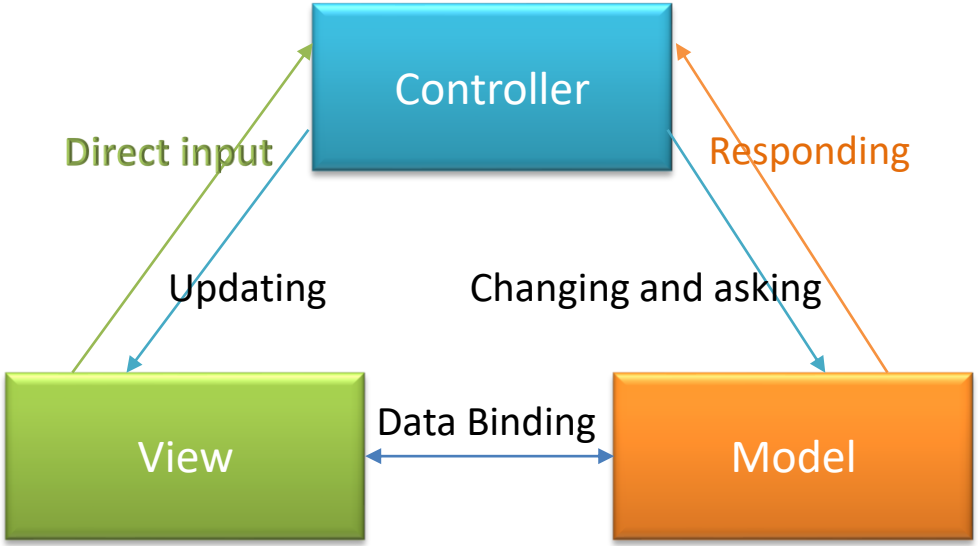
Controller
Interacts with Model and View

MVC

Our MVC has two main variants:

- supervising controller
- passive view

MVC: Supervising Controller



MVC: Supervising Controller- Summary

Characteristic element: View bound with model

Idea: Separation between input and output

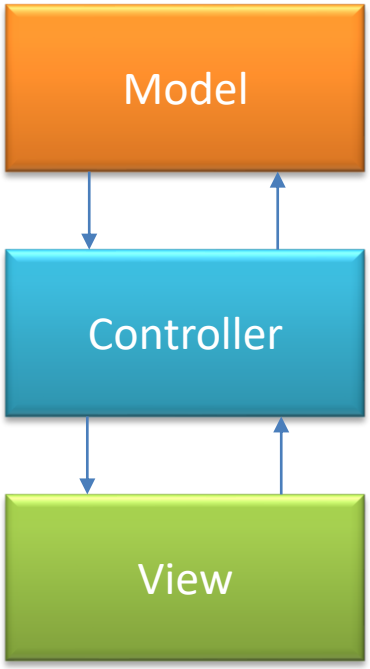
Pros and Cons

+ Less code

- Hard to unit-test
- Low encapsulation
- Weak concerns separation

Good for small projects and demos. Not really scalable.

MVC: Passive View



Characteristic element: Stateless View, fully managed by Controller

Idea: Separation between business and presentation logic

Business logic – business rules that application is implementing. Haw application acts. Implemented in controller.

Presentation logic - how application looks. Implemented in view layer.

MVC: Massive View Controller

We should not treat an Activity as a view. We should treat it as a presentation layer and we should extract our controller as a separate class.
A solution to making view controllers smaller is by splitting views or defining subviews with their own controllers. Writing the MVC pattern this way is easy to separate, and it is also easy to split.

But, there are issues here with my implementation.

- Mixing presentation and business logic.
- Doing this makes it more difficult to test.

Model View Presenter (MVP)

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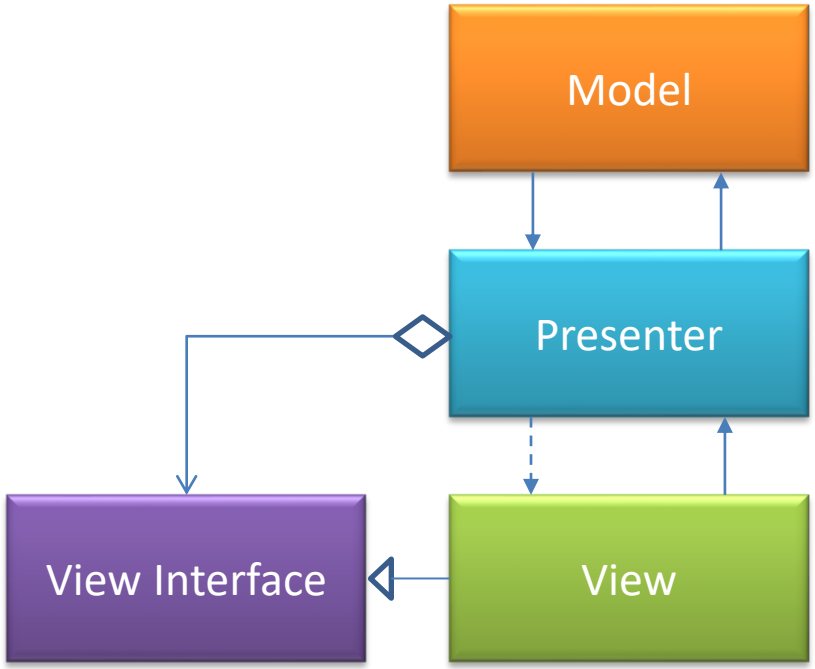


Characteristic element: View is hidden behind interface

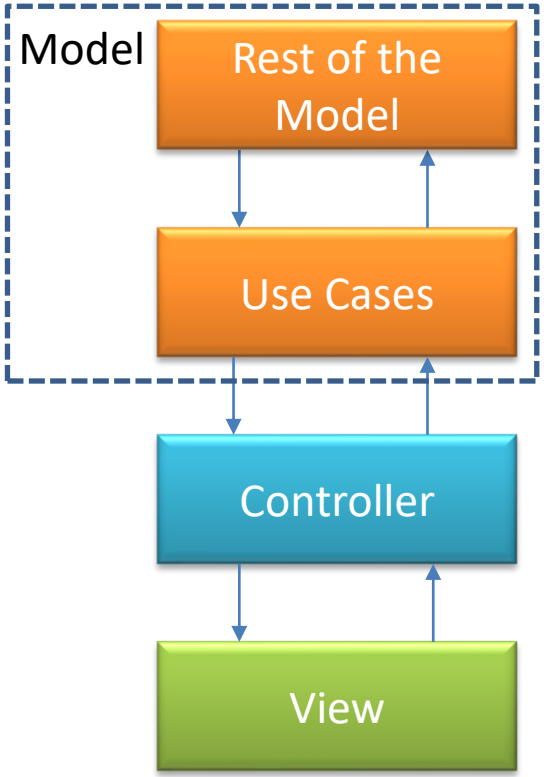
Idea: Make Presenter independent from View

Pros and Cons

+ High testability of Presenter
+ Higher Presenter reusability
+ Presenter can be used in common modules

- Need to create and maintain interface for views
- Additional boilerplate

Use cases



Change: Extract business logic into separate classes clalled use cases

Idea: Apply single responsibility principle to business logic rules

Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)

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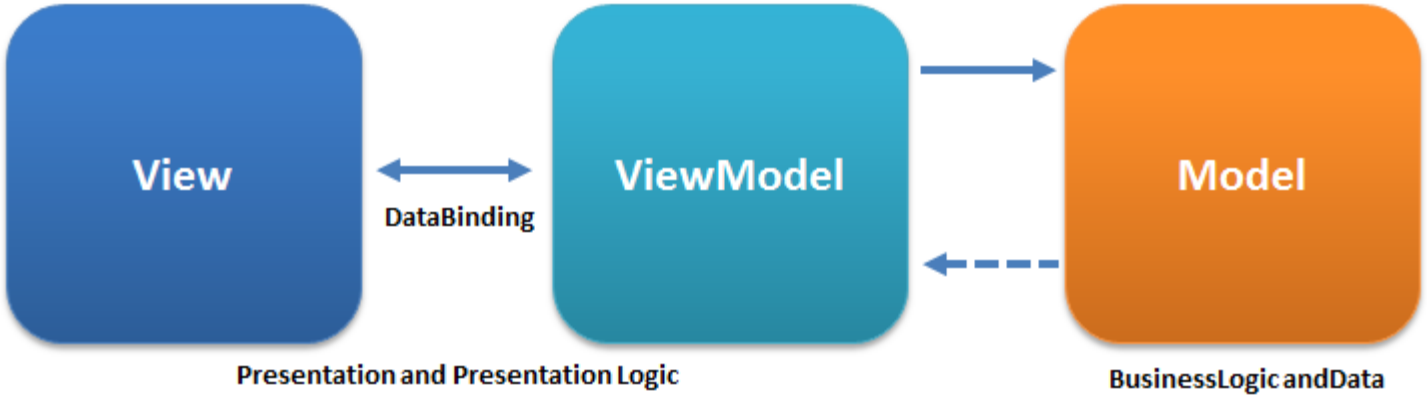
Model–view–viewmodel (MVVM) is a software architectural pattern that facilitates the separation of the development of the graphical user interface (the view) – be it via a markup language or GUI code – from the development of the business logic or back-end logic (the model) so that the view is not dependent on any specific model platform. The view model of MVVM is a value converter, meaning the view model is responsible for exposing (converting) the data objects from the model in such a way that objects are easily managed and presented. In this respect, the view model is more model than view, and handles most if not all of the view's display logic. The view model may implement a mediator pattern, organizing access to the back-end logic around the set of use cases supported by the view.

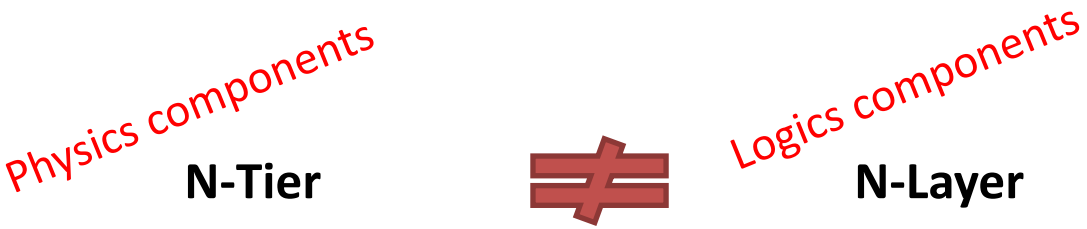
Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)



Multilayered and onion architectures

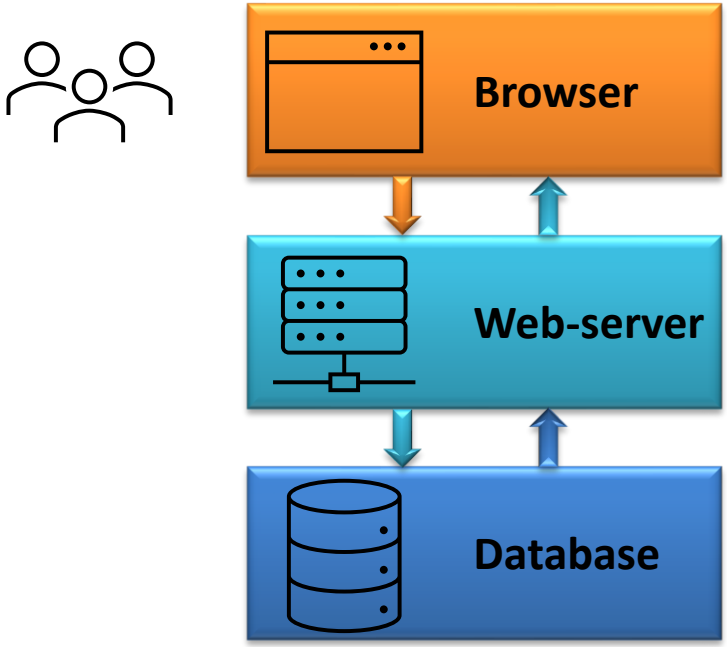
What's the difference between “Layers” and “Tiers”?

In software engineering, **multitier architecture** (often referred to as **n-tier architecture**) or **multilayered** architecture is a client–server architecture in which presentation, application processing and data management functions are physically separated.

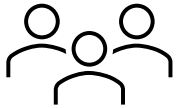


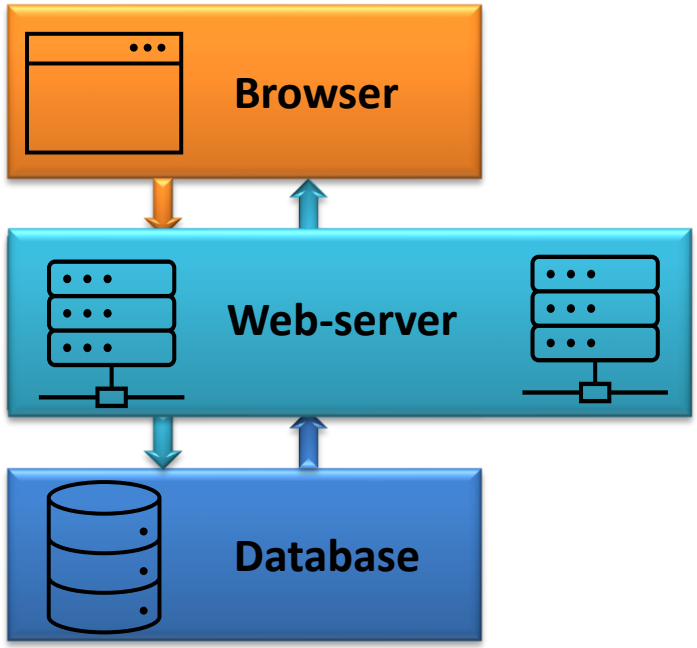
N-Tier and N-Layer are entirely different concepts. People generally use this term during the design of the application architecture. **N-Tier** refers to the actual n system components of your application. On the other hand, **N-Layers** refer to the internal architecture of your component.

N-Tier Architecture



N-Tier Architecture





HTTP protocol

```
connectionString="Server=.\SQLEXPRESS;Database=ProductDB;
user=sa;password=12345"
```

Multilayered (N-Layer)

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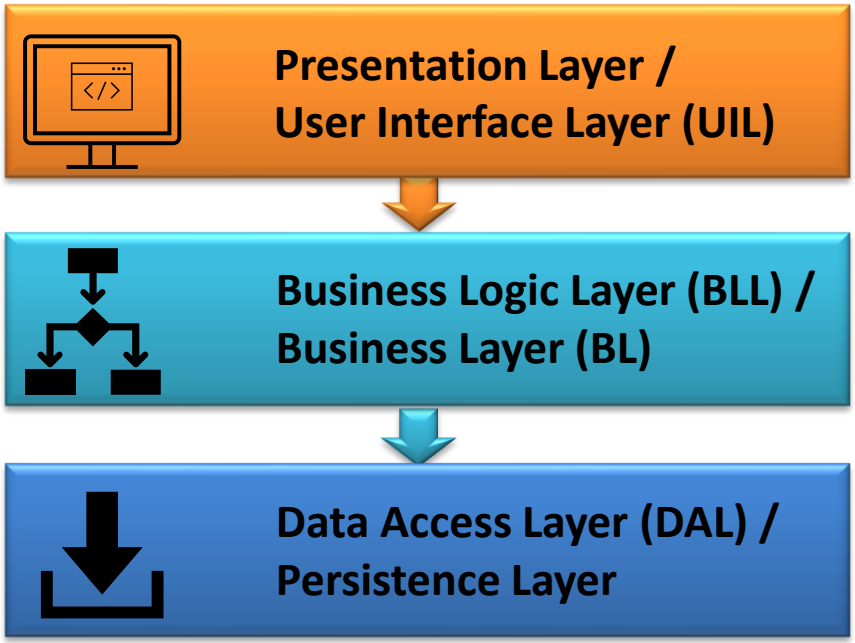
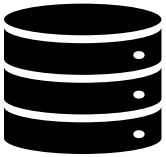
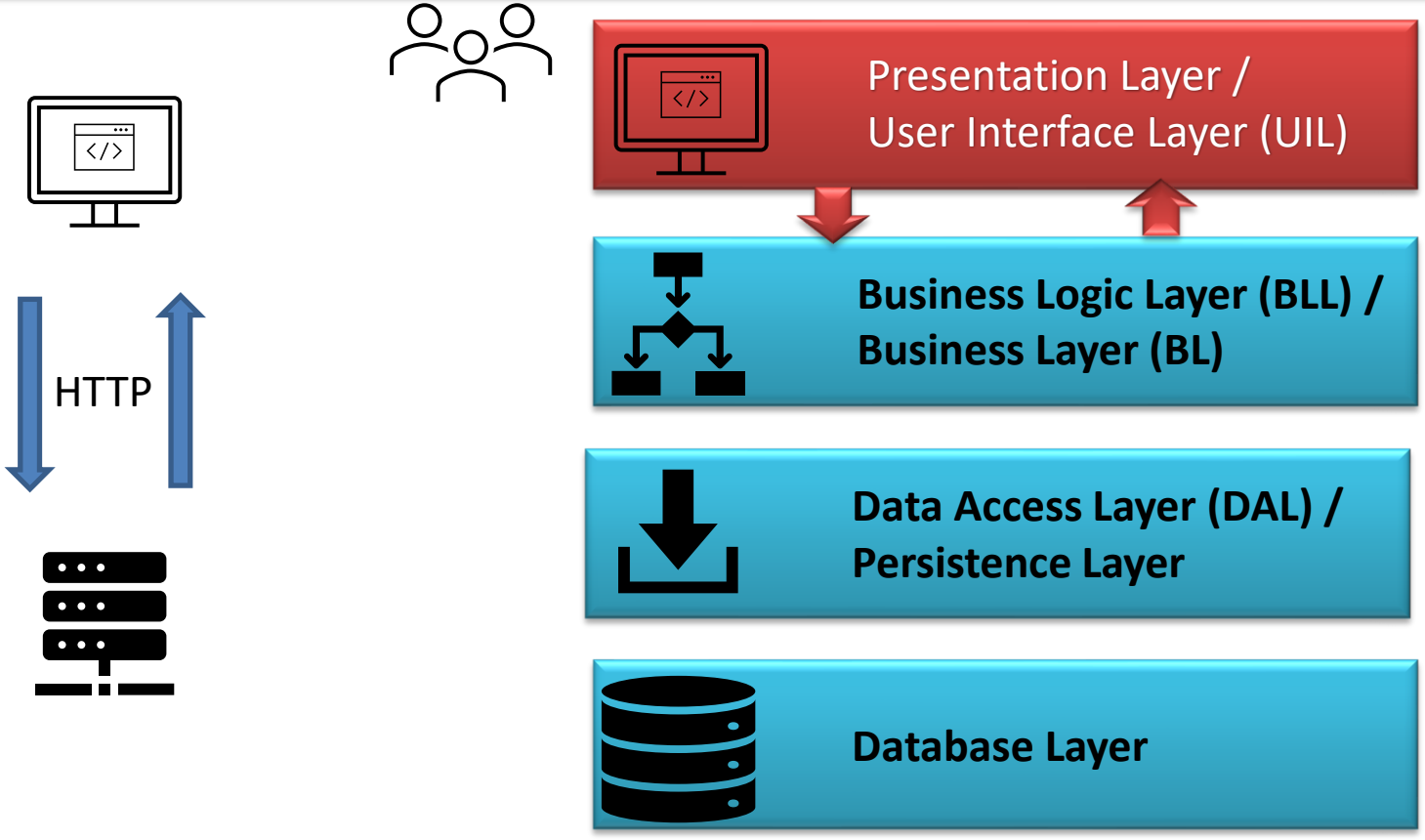
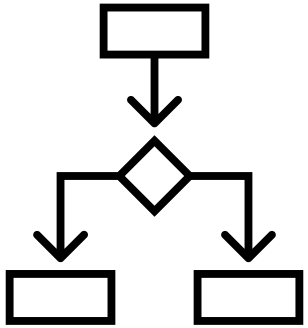


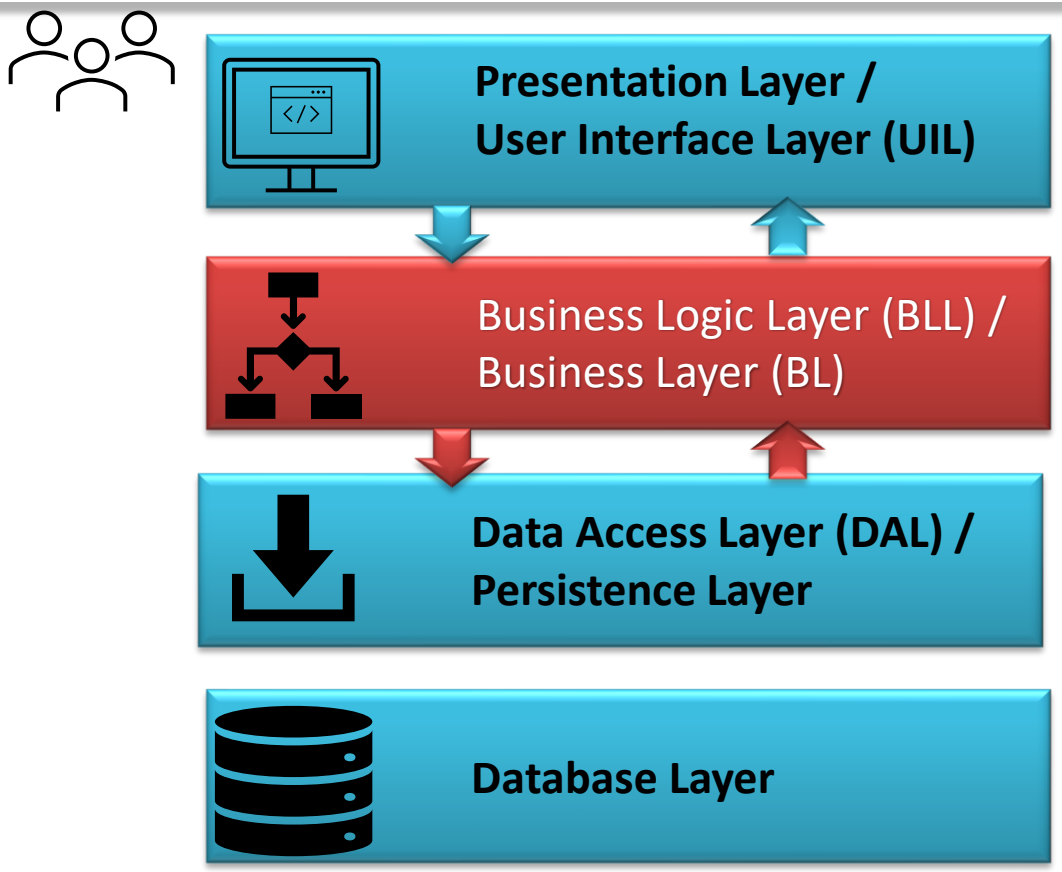


Multilayered architectures: Presentation Layer

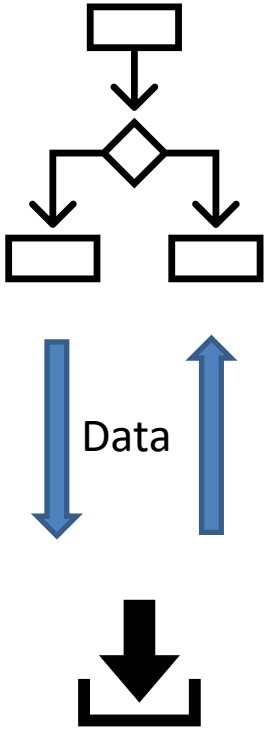


Multilayered architectures: Business Logic Layer (BLL)

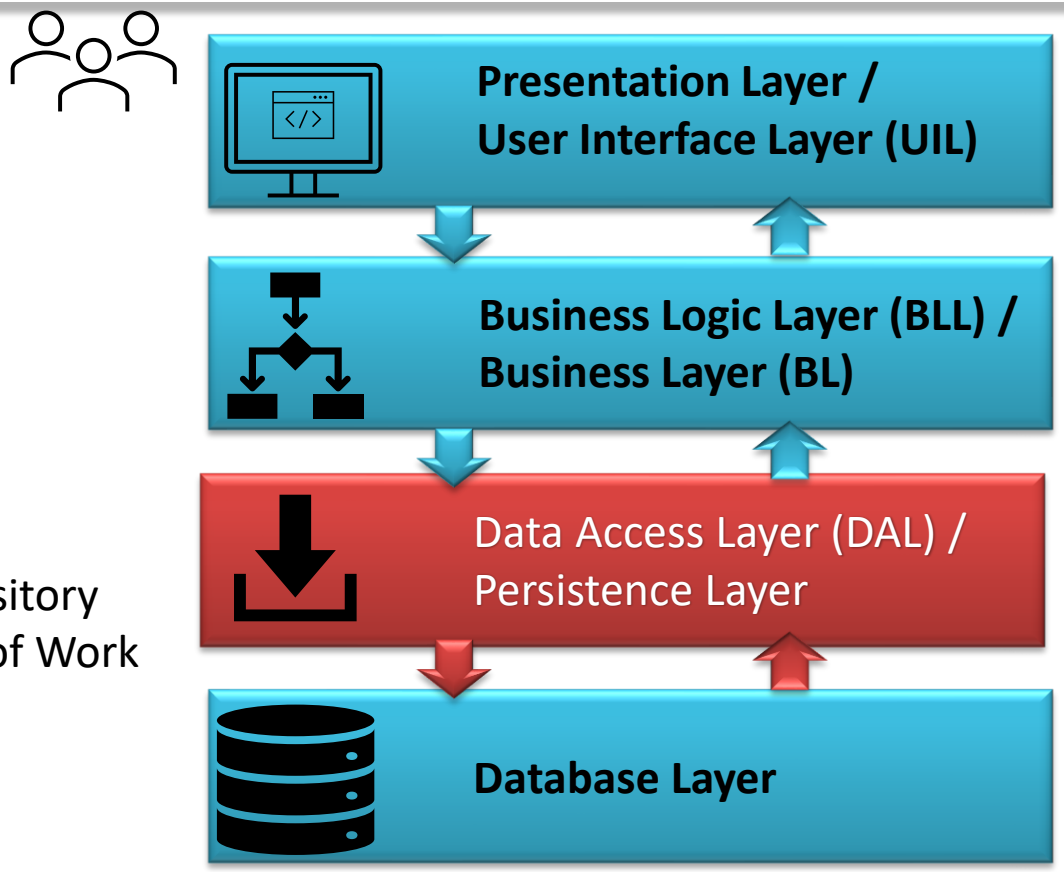




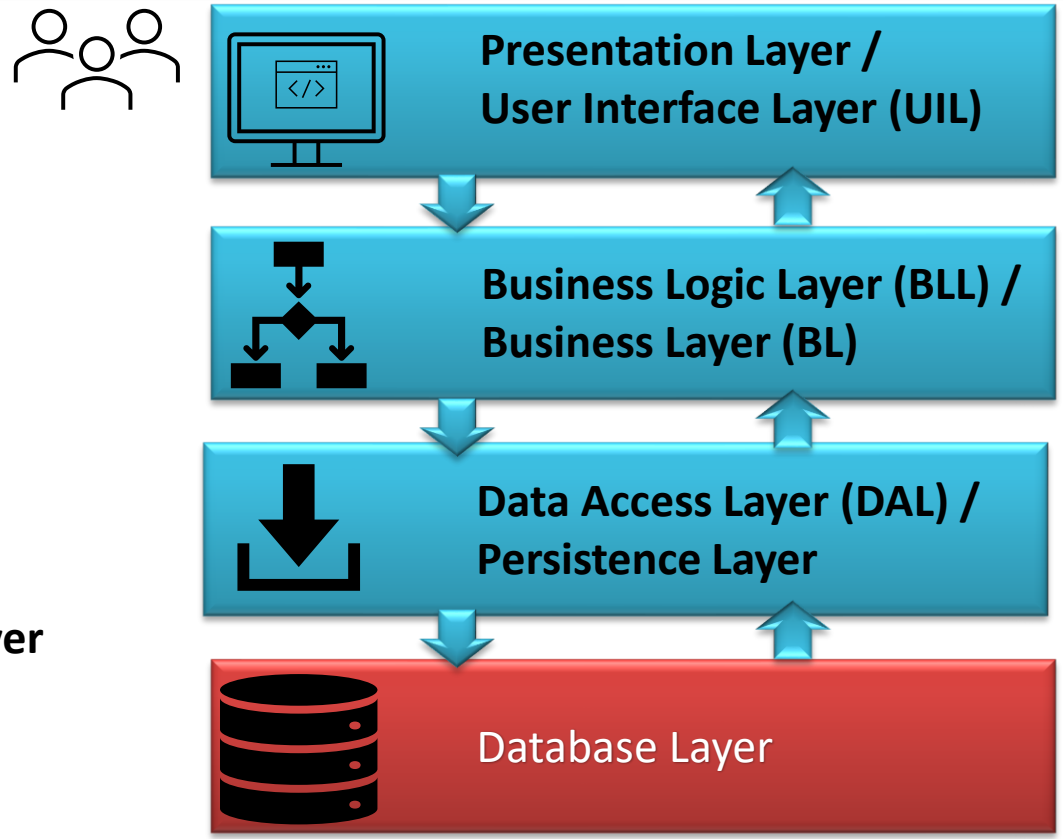
Multilayered architectures: Data Access Layer (DAL)



SQL
ORM
Repository
Unit of Work



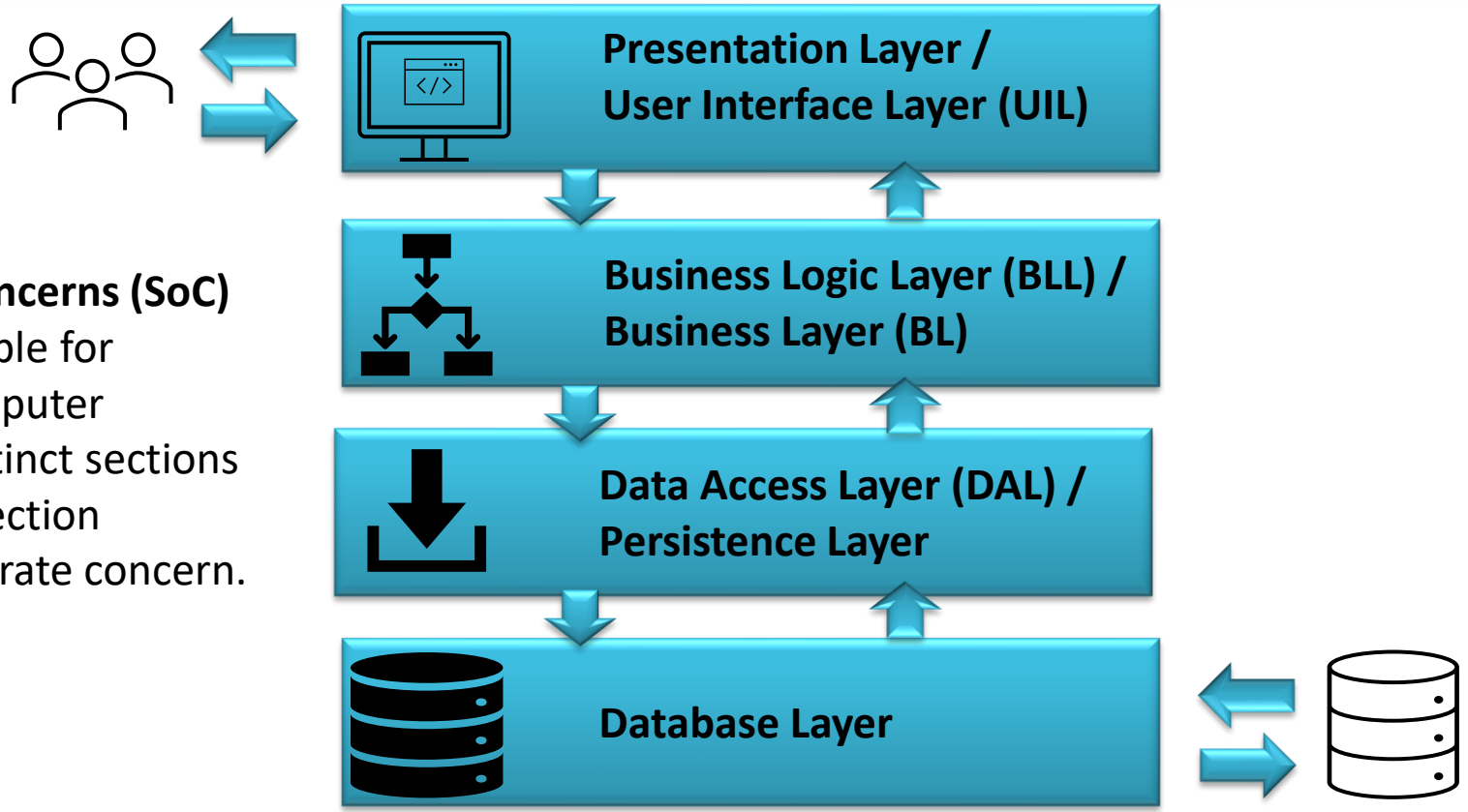
Multilayered architectures: Database Layer



ODBC
ADO.Net driver
Oracle Data
Provider

Separation of Concerns Principle

Separation of concerns (SoC) is a design principle for separating a computer program into distinct sections such that each section addresses a separate concern.

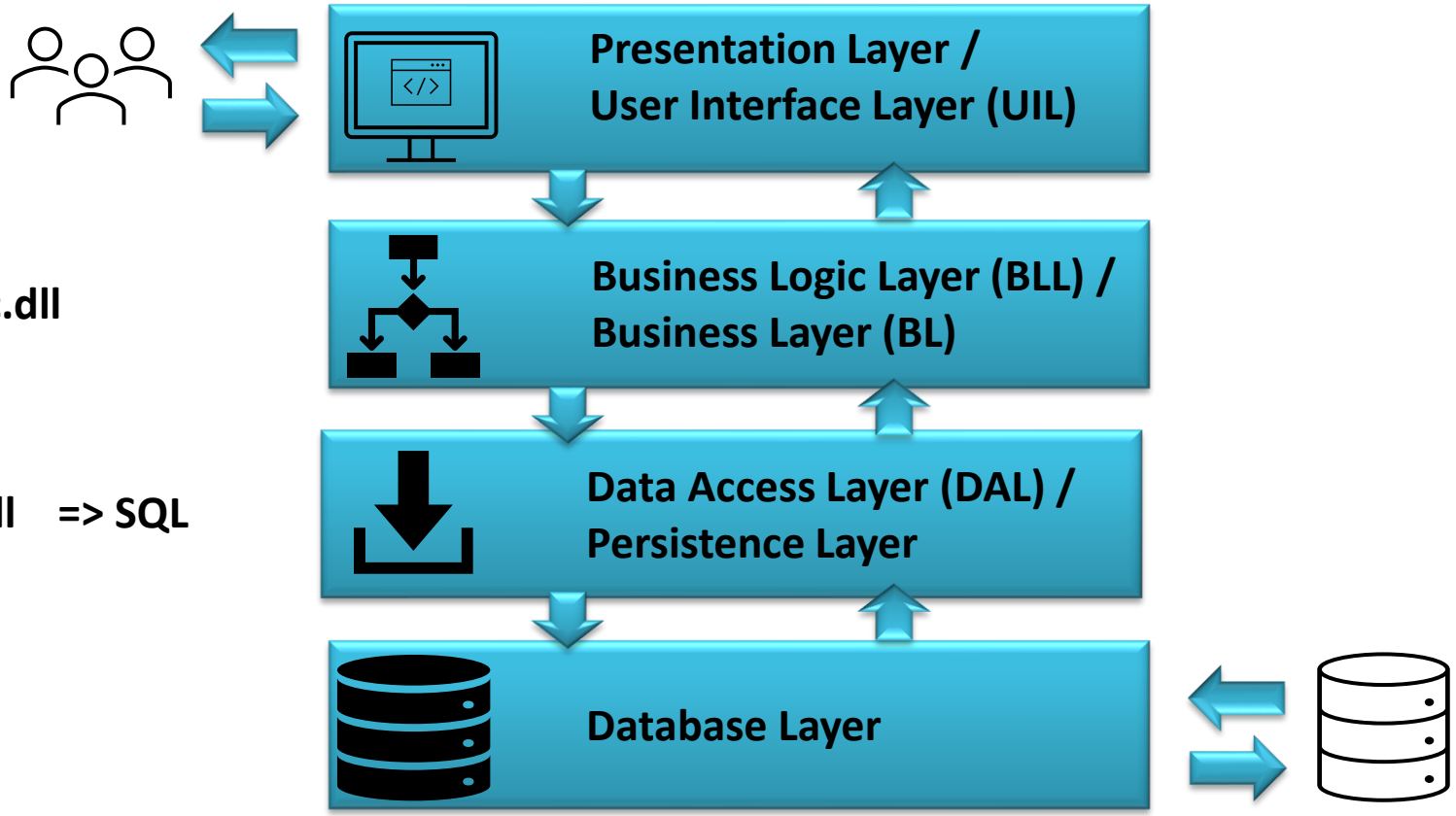


Multilayered architectures: Closed Layers

ASP.MVC

BusinessLogic.dll

DataAccess.dll => SQL



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ASP.MVC

SQL

BusinessLogic.dll

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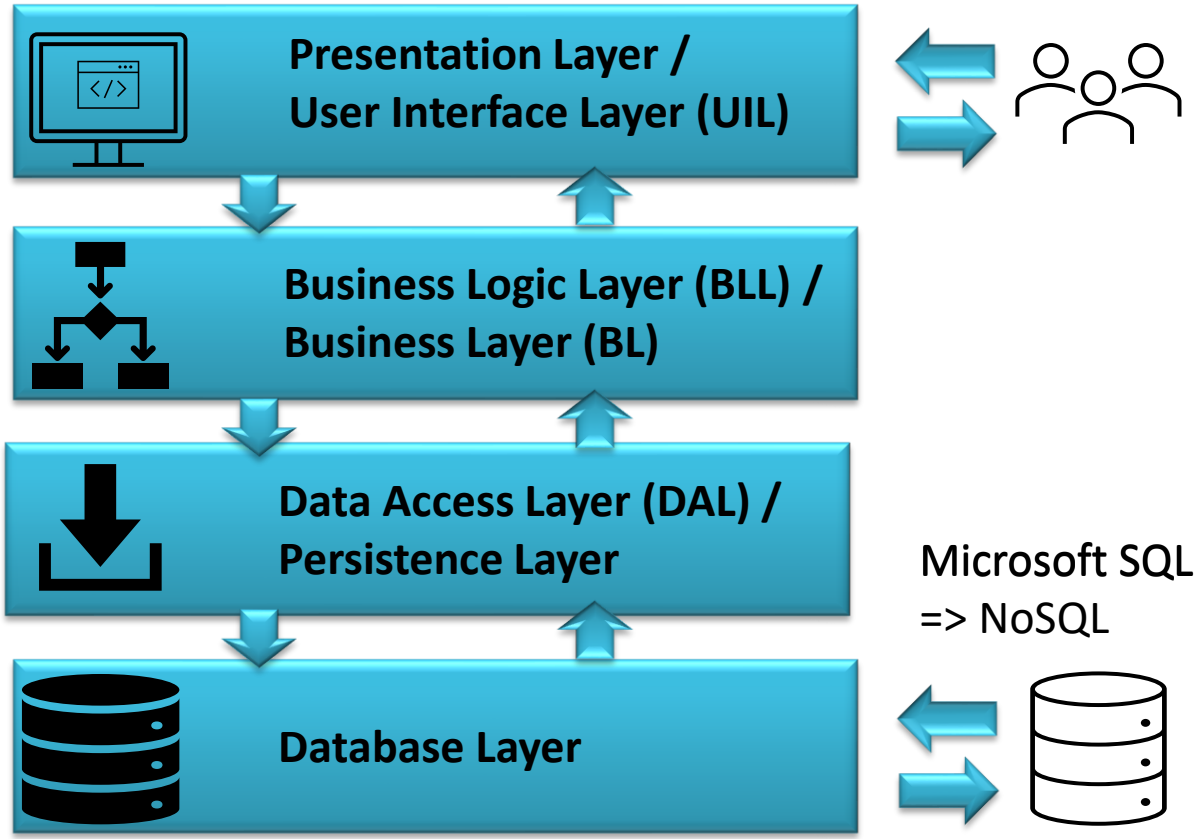
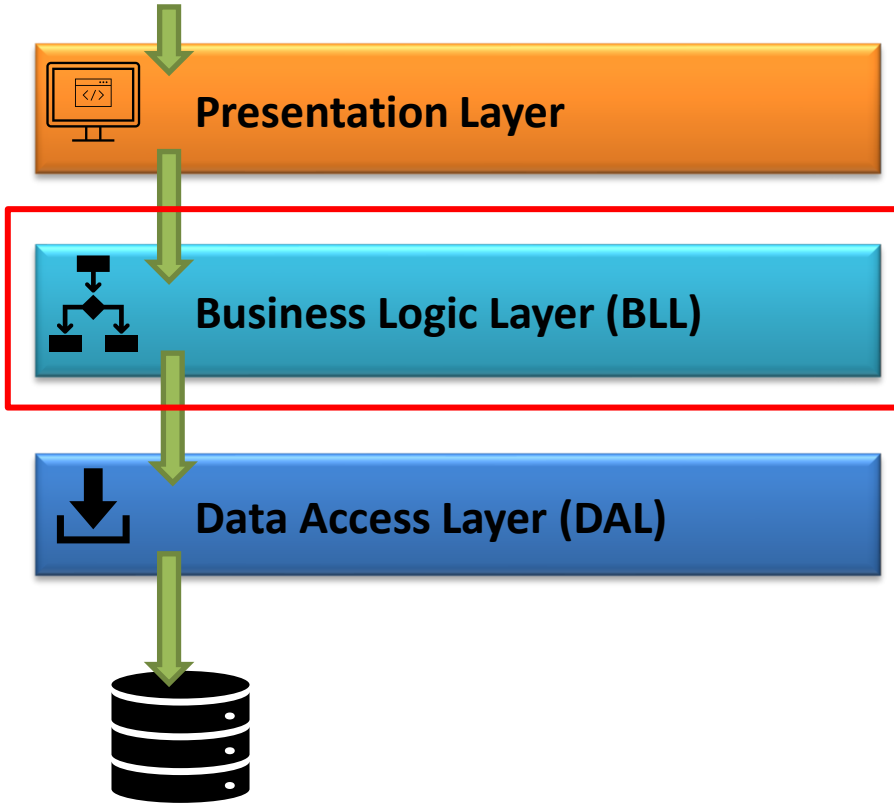


Multilayered architectures: Layer isolation Principle

The layers of isolation concept means that changes made in one layer of the architecture generally don’t impact or affect components in other layers: the change is isolated to the components within that layer, and possibly another associated layer (such as a persistence layer containing SQL).

“Architecture sinkhole” anti-pattern

Request




```
public HttpResponseMessage GetAboutPage()
{
    var aboutPage = _pageService.GetPage("about");
    return CreateResponse(HttpStatusCode.OK, aboutPage);
}
```

```
//inside pageService
public string GetPage(string pageName)
{
    _pagesRepository.GetPage(pageName);
}
```

```
//inside pagesRepository
public string GetPage(string pageName)
{
    return _db.Pages.SingleOrDefaault(pageName);
}
```

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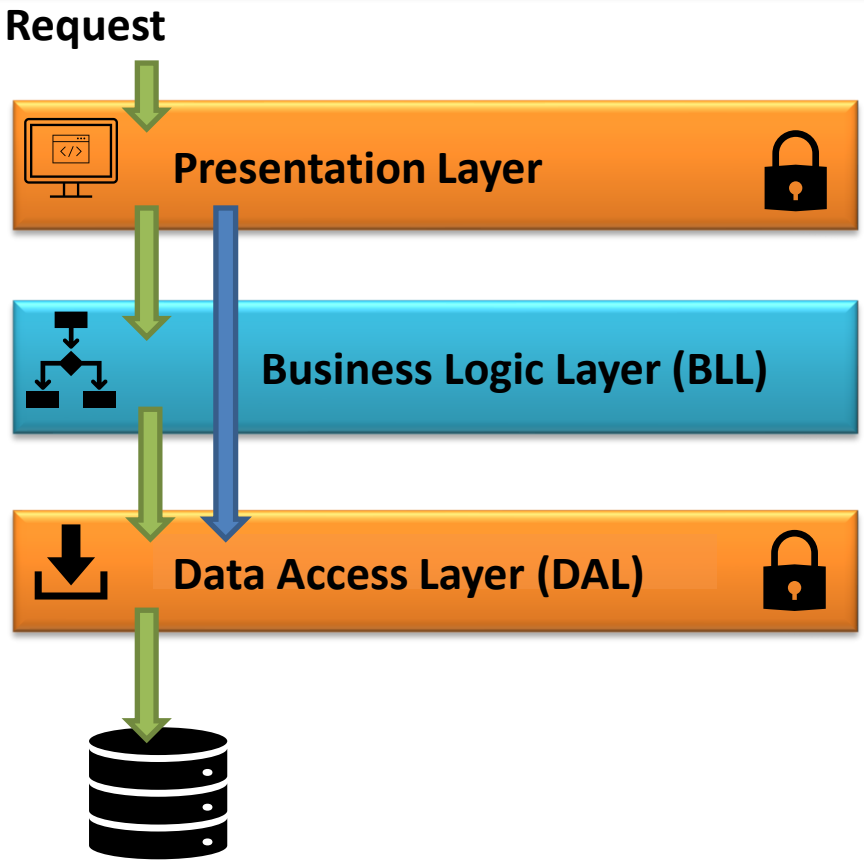
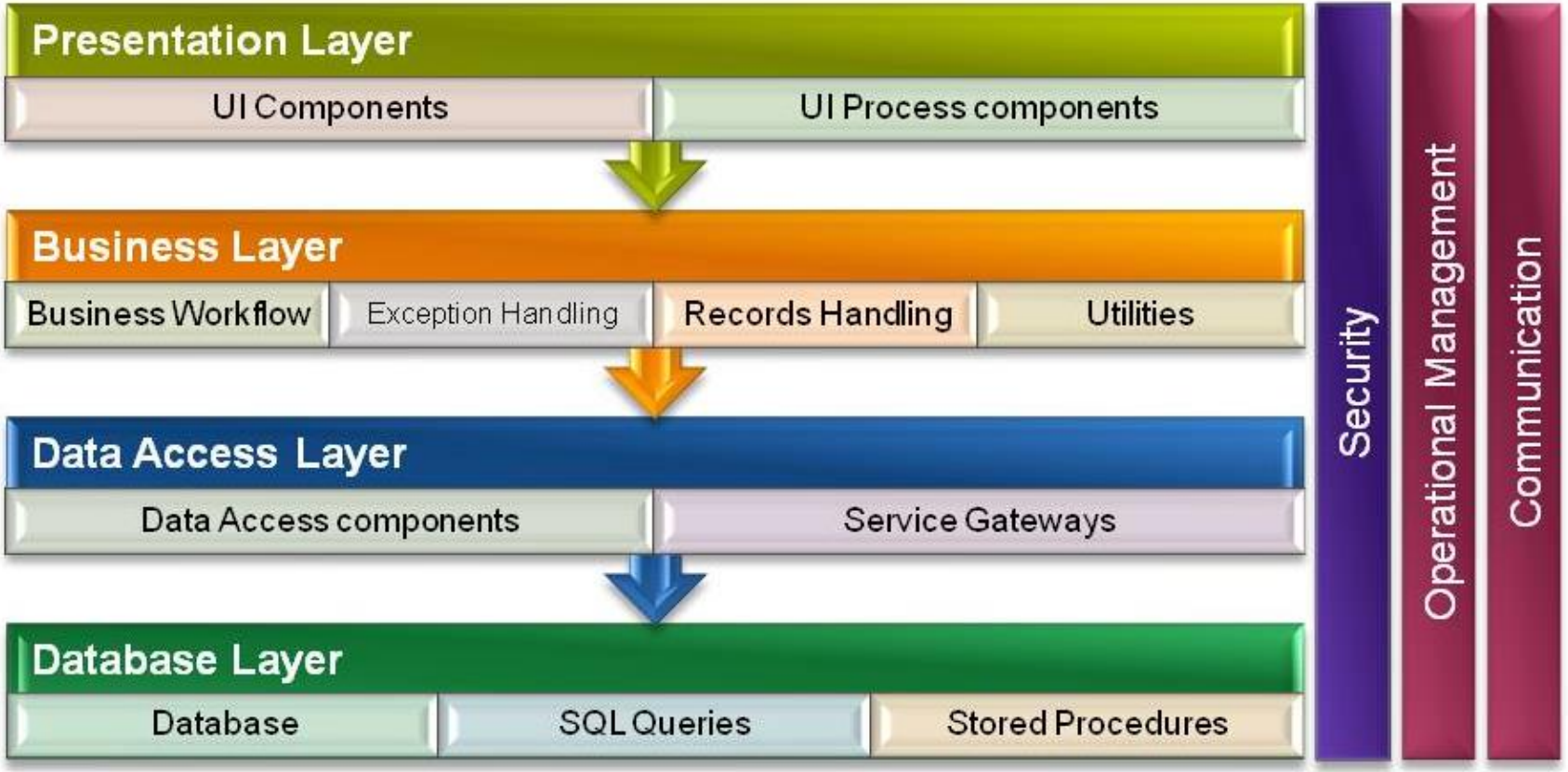


Multilayered Architecture



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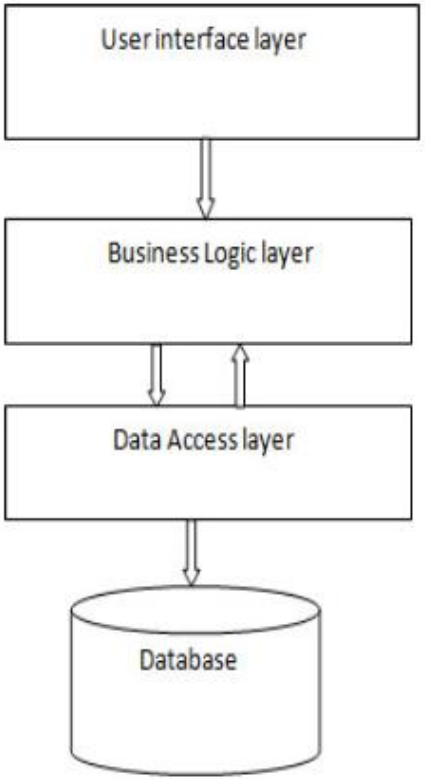
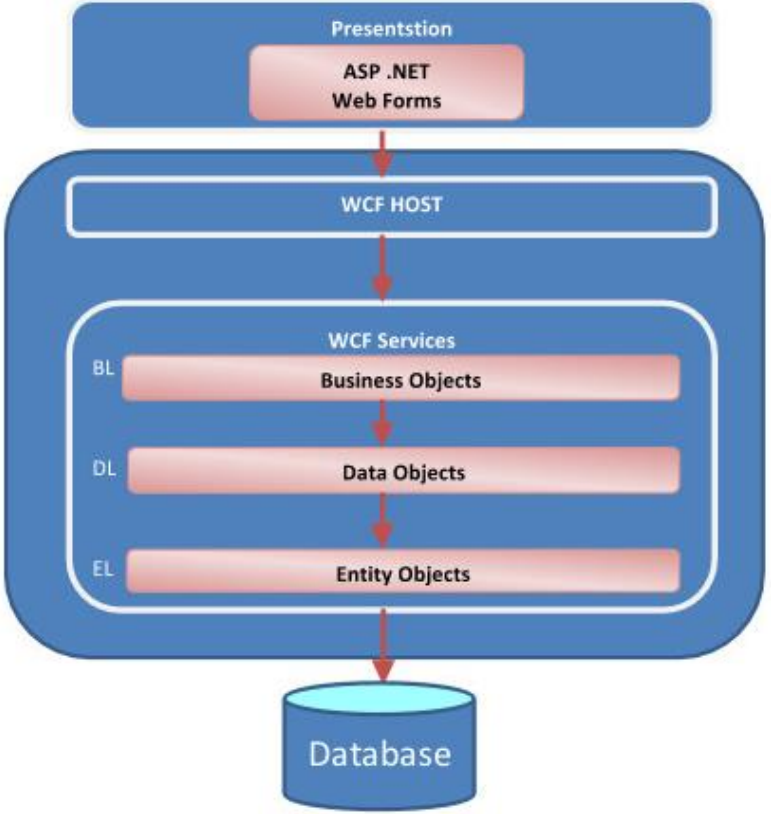


Layered Architecture



Tiered Architecture

Pros and Cons of Tier and Layerd Architecture

- **Tiers** indicate a physical separation of components, which may mean different assemblies on the same server or multiple servers. **Layers** refers to a logical separation of components, such as having distinct namespaces and classes for the Database Access Layer (DAL), Business Logic Layer (BLL) and User Interface Layer (UIL).

- **Tiers** could be on different machines, so they communicate by Value only – as serialized objects. **Multi-layered** design is suitable for small to mid-size projects only.

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- **Tiered** Architecture has all advantages of **Layered** Architecture + scalability as application will be deployed in different machines so load will be shared among the **tiers** and scalability will increase. **Layered** Architecture will improve readability and reusability

Onion architecture

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The Onion Architecture term was coined by Jeffrey Palermo in 2008. This architecture provides a better way to build applications for better testability, maintainability, and dependability on the infrastructures like databases and services.

The idea of the Onion Architecture is to place the Domain and Services Layers at the center of your application. And externalize the Presentation and Infrastructure.

Onion architecture

There are two types of coupling:

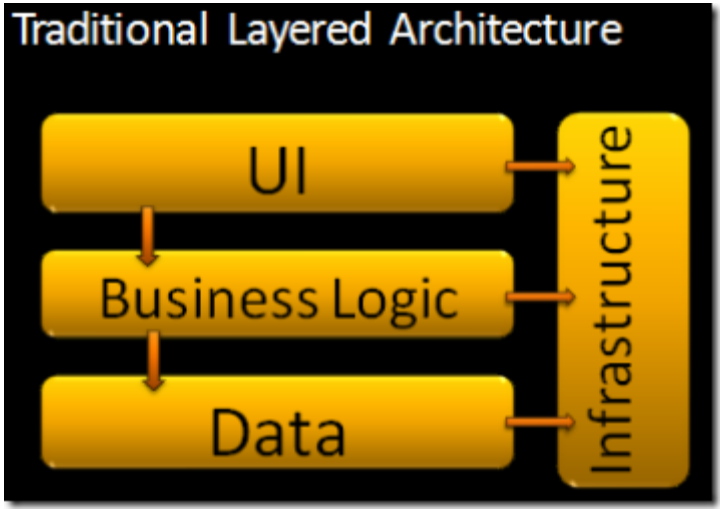
- **Tight Coupling**

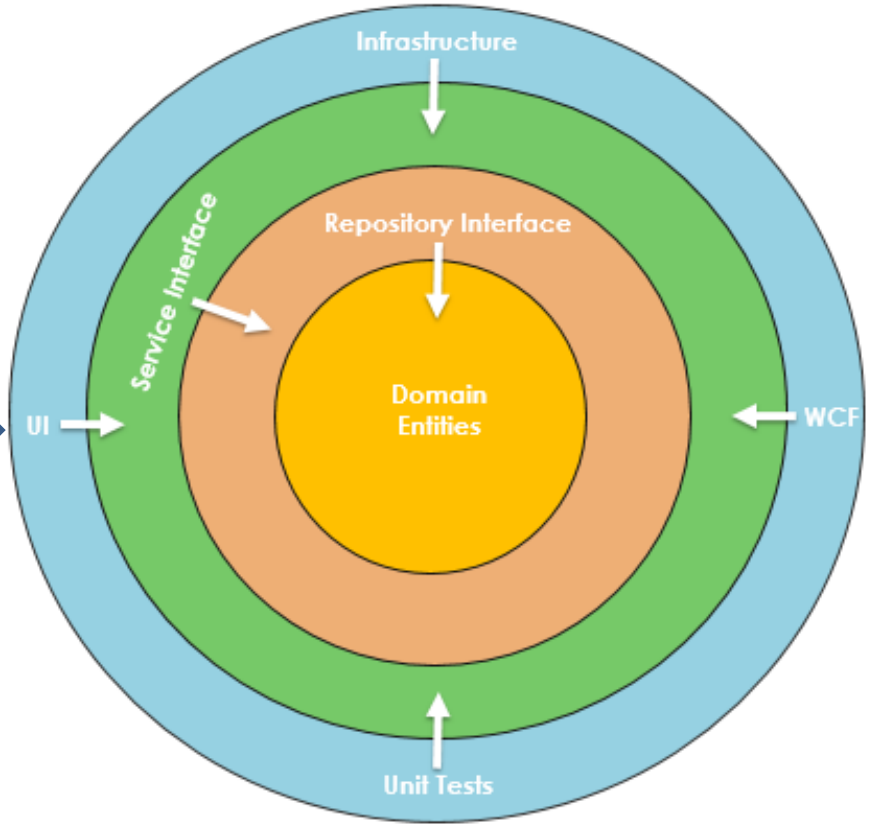
When a class is dependent on a concrete dependency, it is said to be tightly coupled to that class. A tightly coupled object is dependent on another object; that means changing one object in a tightly coupled application, often requires changes to a number of other objects. It is not difficult when an application is small but in an enterprise-level application, it is too difficult to make the changes.

- **Loose Coupling**

It means two objects are independent and an object can use another object without being dependent on it. It is a design goal that seeks to reduce the interdependencies among components of a system with the goal of reducing the risk that changes in one component will require changes in any other component.

Onion architecture





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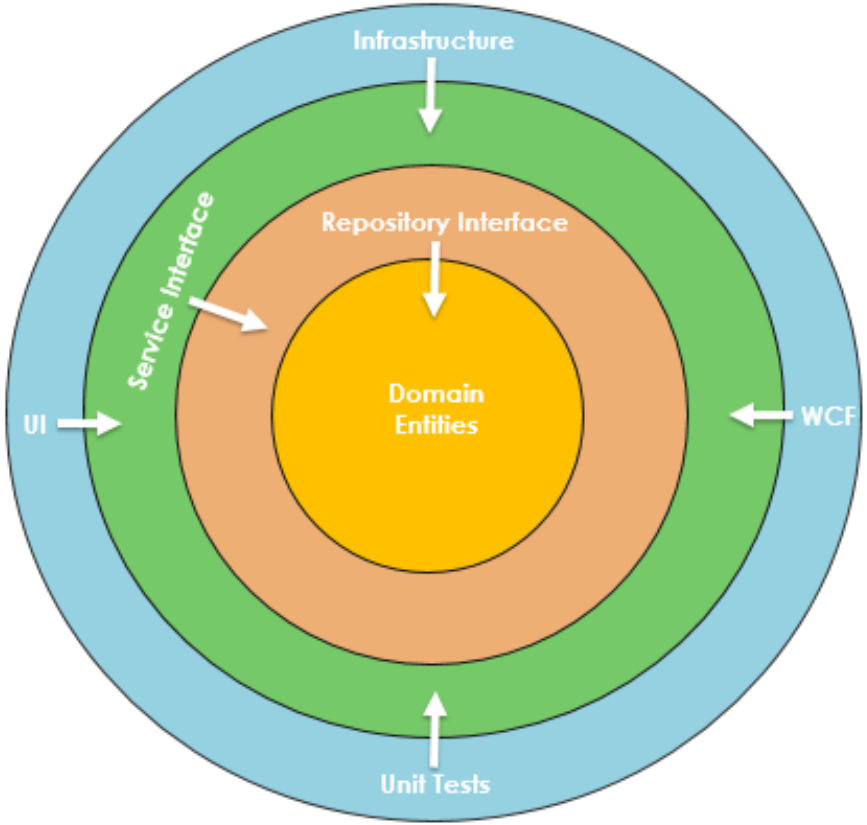


Onion architecture: Layers

Domain Entities Layer

It is the center part of the architecture. It holds all application domain objects. If an application is developed with the ORM entity framework then this layer holds POCO classes (Code First) or Edmx (Database First) with entities. These domain entities don't have any dependencies.

Repository Layer

The layer is intended to create an abstraction layer between the Domain entities layer and the Business Logic layer of an application. It is a data access pattern that prompts a more loosely coupled approach to data access. We create a generic repository, which queries the data source for the data, maps the data from the data source to a business entity, and persists changes in the business entity to the data source.

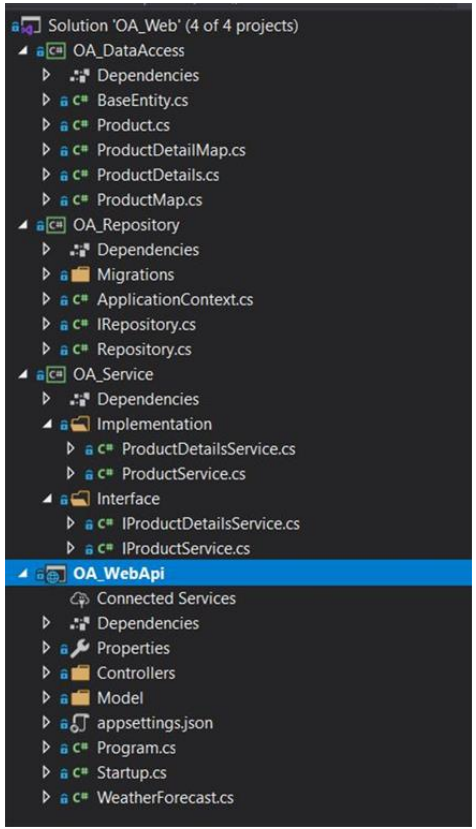
Service Layer

The layer holds interfaces which are used to communicate between the UI layer and repository layer. It holds business logic for an entity so it’s called the business logic layer as well.

UI Layer

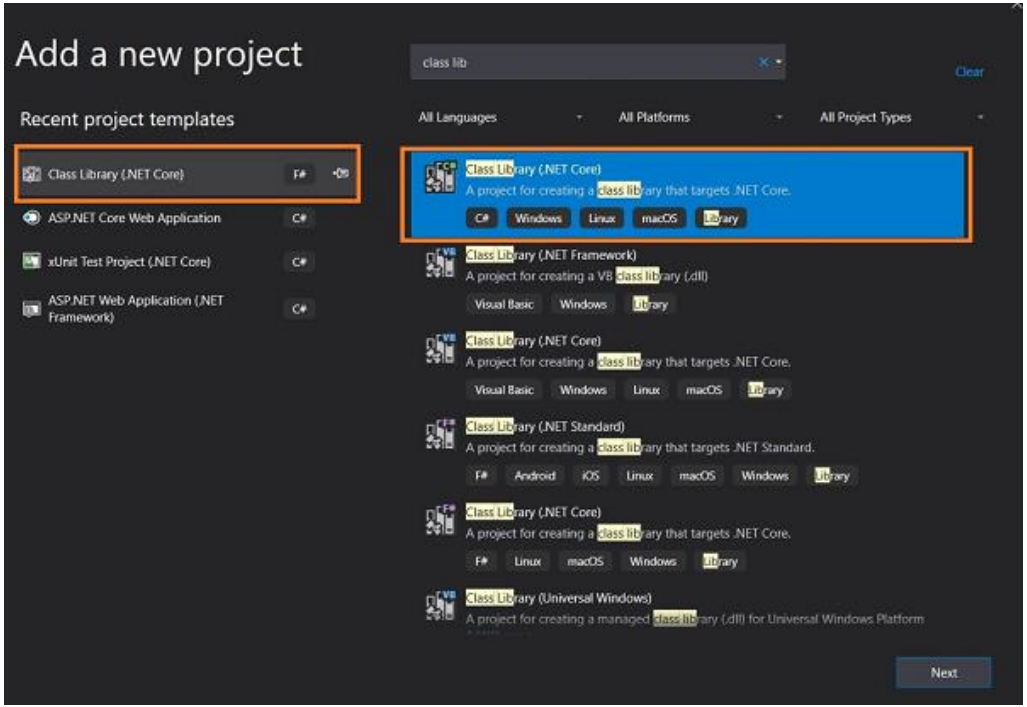
It’s the most external layer. It could be the web application, Web API, or Unit Test project. This layer has an implementation of the Dependency Inversion Principle so that the application builds a loosely coupled application. It communicates to the internal layer via interfaces.

DEMO: Onion architecture: Project Structure



DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 1

Step 1 - Create the project for Domain/Data Access Layer - OA_DataAccess



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BaseEntity.cs

```
public class BaseEntity
{
   public int ProductId { get; set; }
}
```

Product.cs

```
public class Product : BaseEntity
{
   public string ProductName { get; set; }
   public virtual ProductDetails ProductDetails { get; set; }
}
```

ProductMap.cs

```
public class ProductMap
{
public ProductMap(EntityTypeBuilder<Product> entityBuilder)
{
   entityBuilder.HasKey(p => p.ProductId);
   entityBuilder.HasOne(p => p.ProductDetails).WithOne(p => p.Product
   ).HasForeignKey<ProductDetails>(x => x.ProductId);
}
```

Make sure Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore package is added using NuGet package manager.

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 1

ProductDetail.cs

```
public class ProductDetails : BaseEntity
{
   public int StockAvailable { get; set; }
   public decimal Price { get; set; }
   public virtual Product Product{get;set;}
}
```

ProductDetailMap.cs

```
public class ProductDetailMap
{
   public ProductDetailMap(EntityTypeBuilder<ProductDetails> entityBuilder)
   {
      entityBuilder.HasKey(p => p.ProductId);
      entityBuilder.Property(p => p.StockAvailable).IsRequired();
      entityBuilder.Property(p => p.Price);
   }
}
```

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 2

Step 2 - Create the project for Repository Layer - OA_Repository

ApplicationContext.cs

```
public class ApplicationContext :DbContext
{
   public ApplicationContext(DbContextOptions<ApplicationContext> options) : base(options)
   {
   }

   protected override void OnModelCreating(ModelBuilder modelBuilder)
   {
      base.OnModelCreating(modelBuilder);
      new ProductMap(modelBuilder.Entity<Product>());
      new ProductDetailMap(modelBuilder.Entity<ProductDetails>());
   }
}
```

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DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 2

IRepository.cs

```
public interface IRepository<T> where T : BaseEntity
{
   T Get(int id);
   IEnumerable<T> GetAll();
}
```

Repository.cs

```
public class Repository<T> : IRepository<T> where T : BaseEntity
{
    private readonly ApplicationContext context;
    private readonly DbSet<T> entities;
    public Repository(ApplicationContext context)
    {
        this.context = context;
        entities = context.Set<T>();
    }
    public IEnumerable<T> GetAll()
    {
        return entities.AsEnumerable();
    }
    public T Get(int id)
    {
        return entities.SingleOrDefault(p =>p.ProductId  == id);
    }
}
```

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 3

Step 3 - Create the project for Service Layer - OA_Service

IProductService.cs

```
public interface IProductService
{
   IEnumerable<OA_DataAccess.Product> GetProduct();
   OA_DataAccess.Product GetProduct(int id);
}
```

IProductDetailService.cs

```
public interface IProductDetailsService
{
   OA_DataAccess.ProductDetails GetProductDetail(int id);
}
```

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 3

ProductService.cs

```
public class ProductService: IProductService
{
   private IRepository<Product> productRepository;
   private IRepository<ProductDetails> productDetailRepository;

   public ProductService(IRepository<Product> productRepository, IRepository<ProductDetails>
          productDetailRepository)
   {
      this.productRepository = productRepository;
      this.productDetailRepository = productDetailRepository;
   }

   public IEnumerable<Product> GetProduct()
   {
      return productRepository.GetAll();
   }

   public Product GetProduct(int id)
   {
      return productRepository.Get(id);
   }
}
```

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 3

ProductDetailService.cs

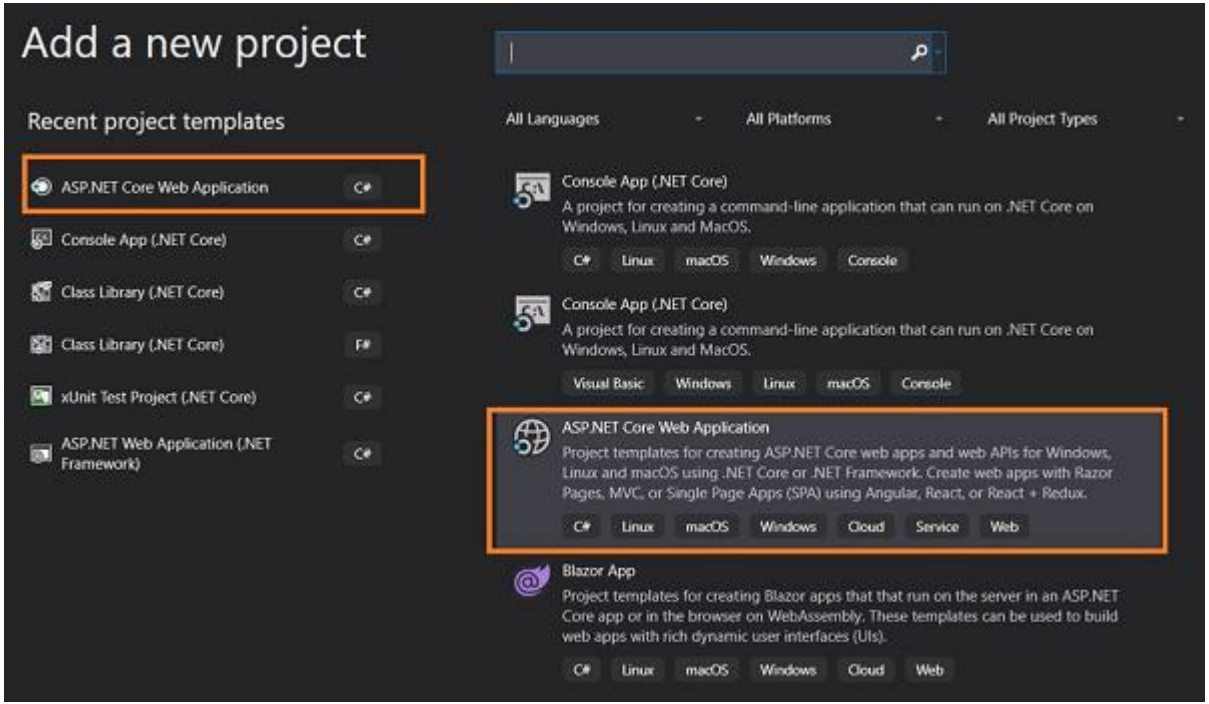
```
public class ProductDetailsService: IProductDetailsService
{
   private IRepository<ProductDetails> productDetailsRepository;

   public ProductDetailsService(IRepository<ProductDetails> productDetailsRepository)
   {
      this.productDetailsRepository = productDetailsRepository;
   }

   public ProductDetails GetProductDetail(int id)
   {
      return productDetailsRepository.Get(id);
   }
}
```

DEMO: Onion architecture - Step 4

Step 4 - Create ASP.NET WEB API application for UI/Presentation Layer



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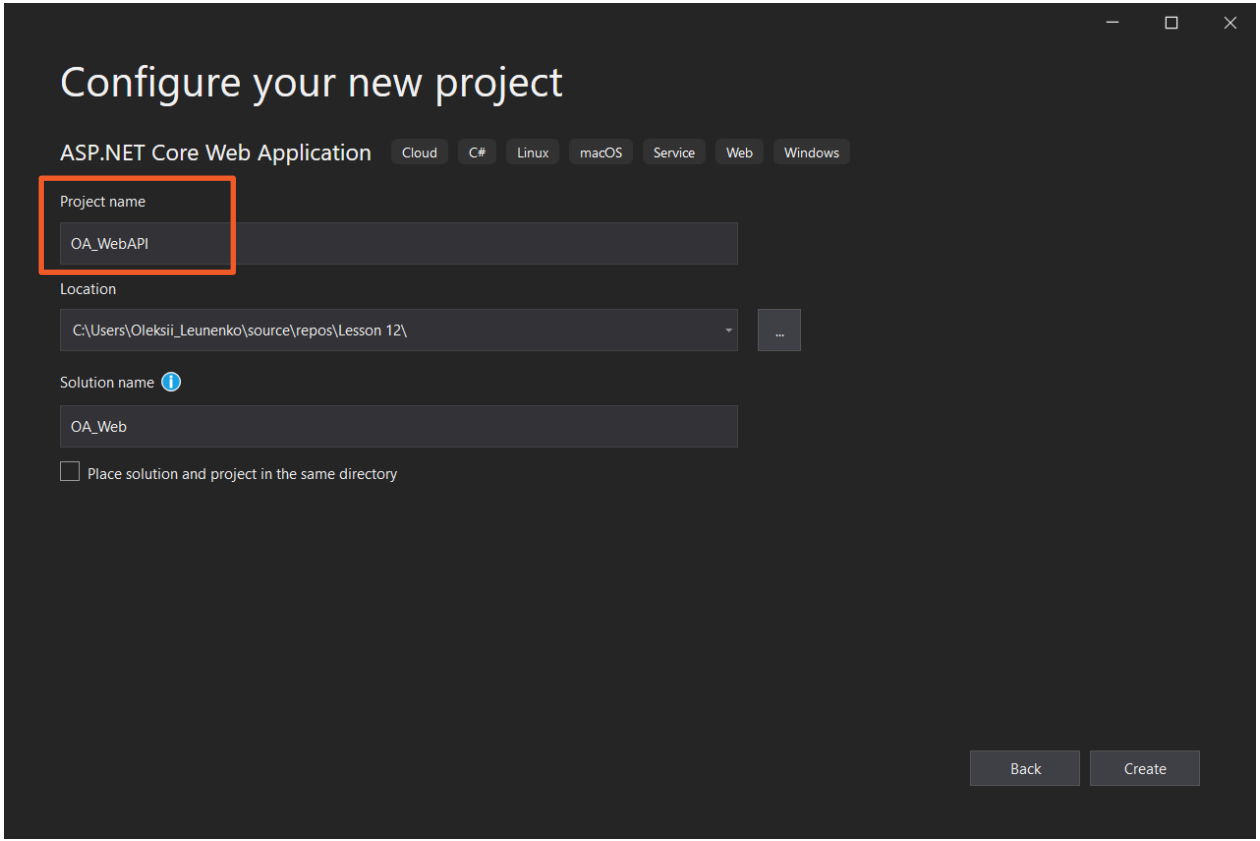
OA_WebAPI



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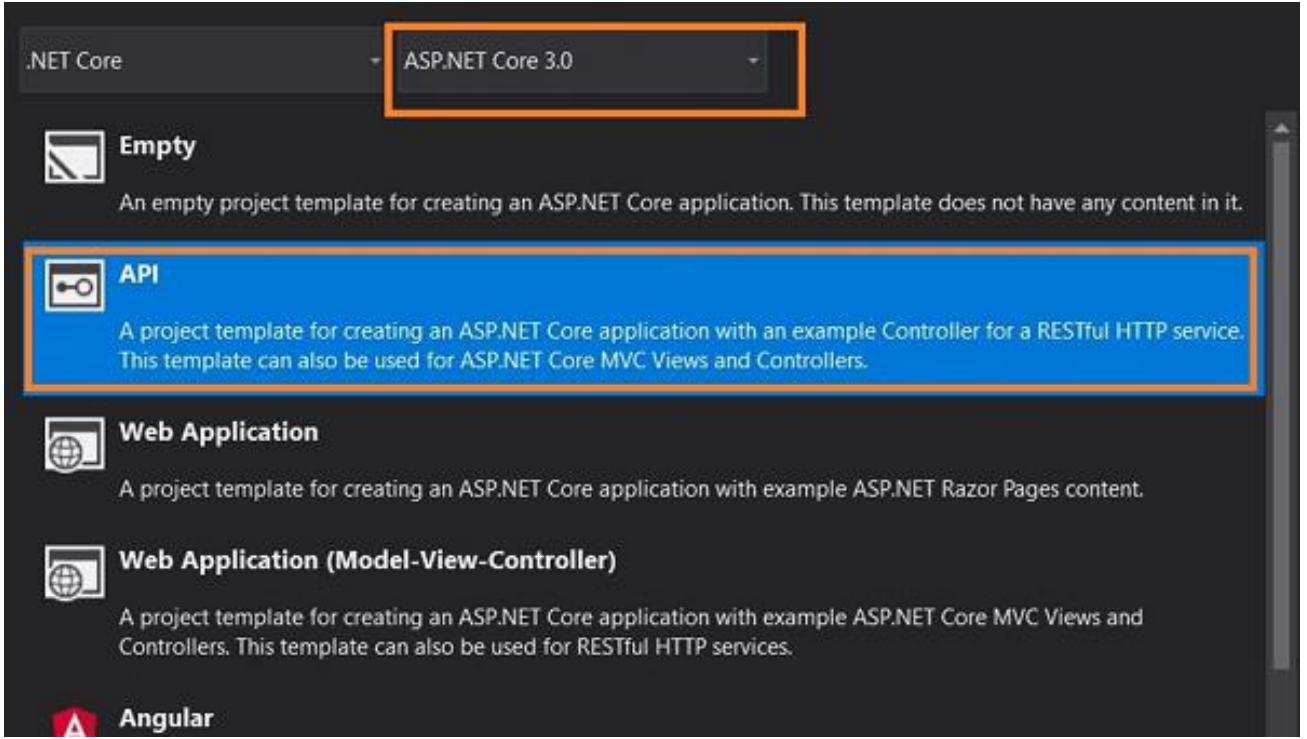
Choose the API template



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Go to Startup.cs file and add the below code under ConfigureService method.

```
services.AddDbContext<ApplicationContext>(options => options.UseSqlServer(Configuration.
        GetConnectionString("DefaultConnection")));
services.AddScoped(typeof(IRepository<>), typeof(Repository<>));
services.AddTransient<IProductService, ProductService>();
services.AddTransient<IProductDetailsService, ProductDetailsService>();
```

The Default connection string is defined in appsettings.json file

```
"ConnectionStrings": {"DefaultConnection": "Data Source=DESKTOP585QGBN;
Initial Catalog=OATestDB; User ID=sa; Password=[give your SQL instance password]"},
```

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```
private readonly IProductService productService;
private readonly IProductDetailsService productDetailsService;
public ProductController(IProductService productService, IProductDetailsService productDetailsService)
{
    this.productService = productService;
    this.productDetailsService = productDetailsService;
}

[HttpGet]
public List<ProductDetails> Get()
{
    List<ProductDetails> productDetails = new List<ProductDetails>();
    var prodcutList=productService.GetProduct().ToList();
    foreach(var product in prodcutList)
    {
        var productDetailList = productDetailsService.GetProductDetail(product.ProductId);
        ProductDetails details = new ProductDetails
        {
            ProductId = product.ProductId,
            ProductName = product.ProductName,
            Price = productDetailList.Price,
            StockAvailable = productDetailList.StockAvailable,
        };
        productDetails.Add(details);
    }
    return productDetails;
}
```

Create a New Web API controller ProductController.cs

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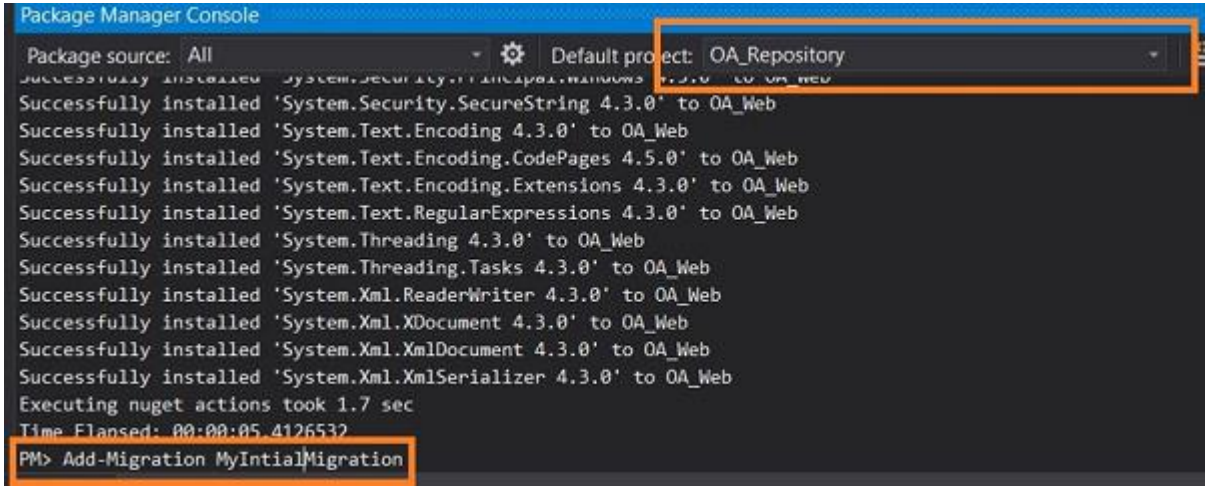

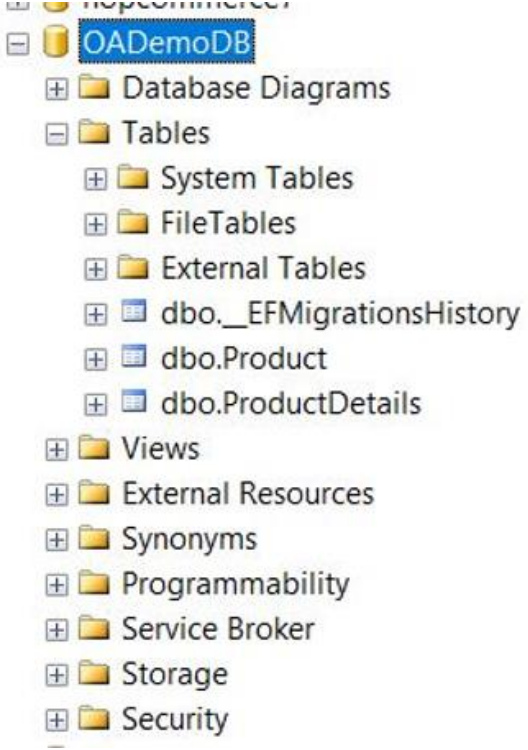

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Onion architectures: Benefits and Drawbacks

Following are the **benefits** of implementing Onion Architecture:

- Onion Architecture layers are connected through interfaces. Implantations are provided during run time.
- Application architecture is built on top of a domain model.
- All external dependency, like database access and service calls, are represented in external layers.
- No dependencies of the Internal layer with external layers.
- Couplings are towards the center.
- Flexible and sustainable and portable architecture.
- No need to create common and shared projects.
- Can be quickly tested because the application core does not depend on anything.

A few **drawbacks** of Onion Architecture as follows:

- Not easy to understand for beginners, learning curve involved. Architects mostly mess up splitting responsibilities between layers.
- Heavily used interfaces

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