

ENROLLMENT SYSTEM

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MODIFICATIONS TO C4 MODEL & QUALITY SCENARIOS

EnrollmentSystem - Architecture Extensions & Justifications

This document describes **quality requirement scenarios** and the corresponding **architectural reasoning** based on the provided **C4 architecture** of the Enrollment System.

Selected Quality Dimensions

1. Modifiability (Design-time)
2. Performance (Run-time)
3. Reliability (Run-time)



SCENARIO 0 - MODIFIABILITY (DESIGN-TIME)

Frontend Replacement Without Backend Changes

Quality Dimension

Modifiability

Scenario Description

| Element | Description |
|------------------|---|
| Stimulus | A UI team replaces 100% of the Enrollment frontend by implementing a new client (new UI framework + new interaction design) that still supports the same 4 user flows : (1) browse tickets, (2) enroll, (3) cancel enrollment, (4) join/leave waiting list. |
| Source | Product owner / frontend development team. |
| Environment | Design-time; backend containers are in feature freeze (no functional changes allowed); backend API specifications are published; automated API contract tests exist; staging environment available. |
| Artifact | Presenter-side artifacts only: Enrollment Presenter container and its UI components/controllers (notably courseTicketController and waitingListController). |
| Response | New frontend integrates using the existing backend API contracts; no backend container requires modification (Enrollment Manager , Conditions Manager , Notification Service , and their databases). |
| Response Measure | 0 backend production code changes; 0 backend DB schema changes; 100% backend API contract tests pass; end-to-end acceptance suite for the 4 enrollment flows passes in staging with $\geq 99\%$ success rate. |

SCENARIO 0 - MODIFIABILITY (DESIGN-TIME)

Existing Architecture Support

Strengths:

- The C4 model separates the UI into **Presenter containers** and the business logic into backend service containers.
- The frontend communicates with backend services via stable API boundaries, enabling independent frontend evolution.

Weaknesses:

- None identified for this scenario as long as API contracts remain stable.

Required Architectural Extensions

None.

What was added:

- No new C4 elements. (This scenario is satisfied by the existing separation of concerns.)

Reasoning

The C4 architecture already follows a **client-server / layered architectural style**.

Because the frontend is isolated in the **Enrollment Presenter** container and depends only on backend API contracts, it can be replaced without changing backend containers or persistence.

SCENARIO 3 - RELIABILITY (RUN-TIME)

Notification Service Outage During Enrollment

Quality Dimension

Reliability

Scenario Description

| Element | Description |
|------------------|--|
| Stimulus | Notification Service becomes unavailable for 20 minutes while enrollments and waiting-list auto-enrollments continue. |
| Source | Internal infrastructure failure. |
| Environment | Enrollment ongoing; auto-EnrollWorker processing active; Notification Service down; database and message bus available. |
| Artifact | Enrollment-to-notification delivery path: Enrollment Manager writers (including enrollmentWriter and auto-EnrollWorker), the notificationOutbox, the Message Bus / Event Broker, and the Notification Service container. |
| Response | Enrollment continues; notifications are delayed but never lost; delivery resumes after recovery. |
| Response Measure | 0 lost notifications; 100% delivered within 30 minutes after service recovery; 0 enrollment failures attributable to the outage. |

SCENARIO 3 - RELIABILITY (RUN-TIME)

Existing Architecture Support

Weaknesses:

- Synchronous calls to Notification Service would block enrollment workflows during outages.
- Without durable buffering, notification events could be lost on failures.

Required Architectural Extensions

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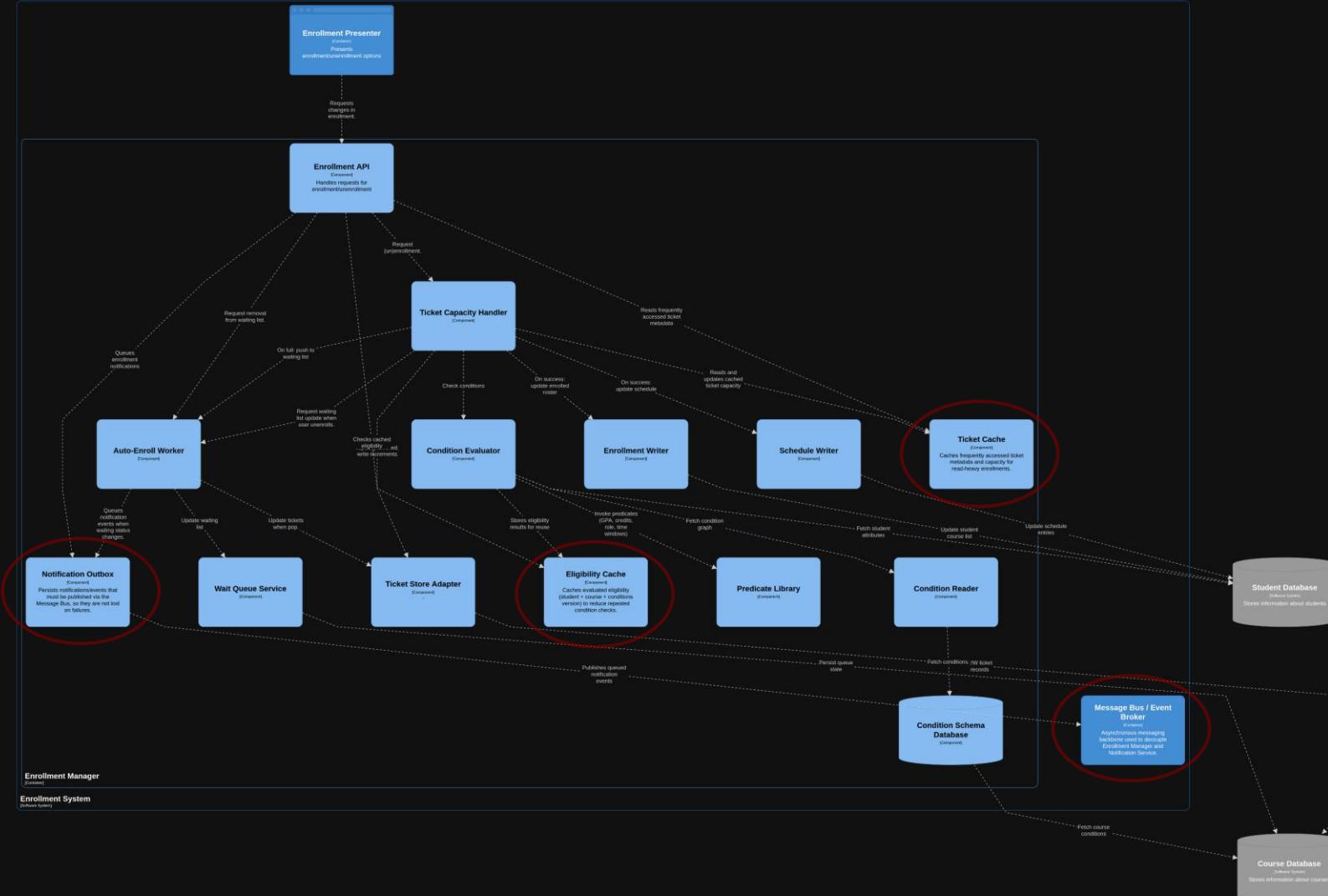
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Queues
notification
events when
waiting status
changes.

Update waiting
list

Notification Outbox

[Component]

Persists notifications/events that
must be published via the
Message Bus, so they are not lost
on failures.

Wait Queue

[Co

/W ticket
records

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Message Bus / Event Broker

[Container]

Asynchronous messaging
backbone used to decouple
Enrollment Manager and
Notification Service.

Fetch course

Enrollment Writer
[Component]



Fetch student
attributes

Update student
course list

Update schedule
entries

Course Adapter

[Component]

Stores eligibility results for reuse

Invoke predicates (GPA, credits, role, time windows)

Fetch condition graph

Eligibility Cache

[Component]

Caches evaluated eligibility (student + course + conditions version) to reduce repeated condition checks.

Predicate Library

[Component]

Publishes queued notification events

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