

Building Event-Driven Python service using FastStream and AsyncAPI



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EVENTS,

EVENTS EVERYWHERE!

What is an Event?

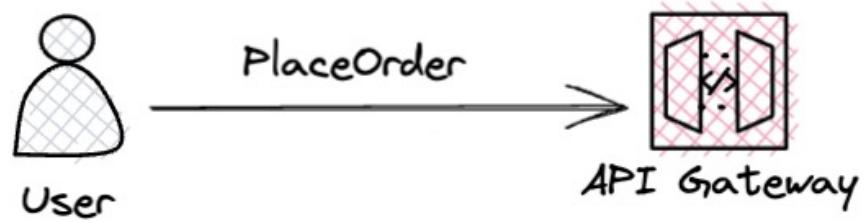
“An **event** is a ***change in state***, or **an update**, like an item being placed in a shopping cart on an e-commerce website.

Events can either carry the state or events can be identifiers.

It represents facts that have happened in the system”

Events vs Commands

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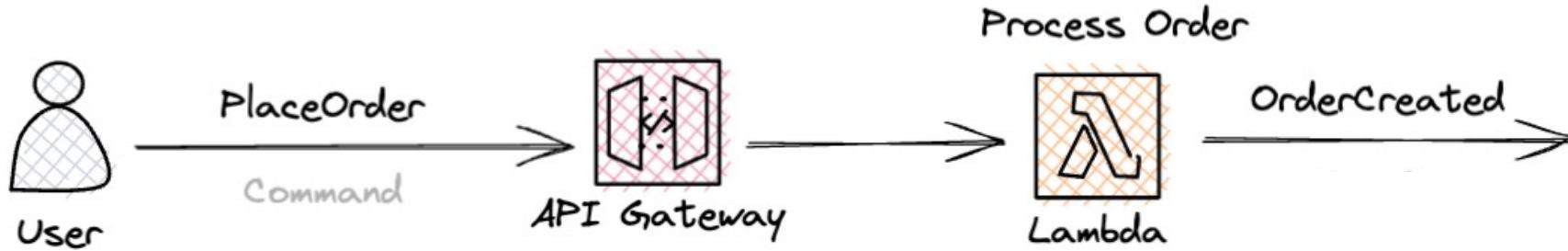
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Commands

- Represents the intent
- Object that wants to perform an action
- Ask to do something, failures can happen.
- Can be rejected
- One consumer
- Verb
- Example "PlaceOrder" into SQS

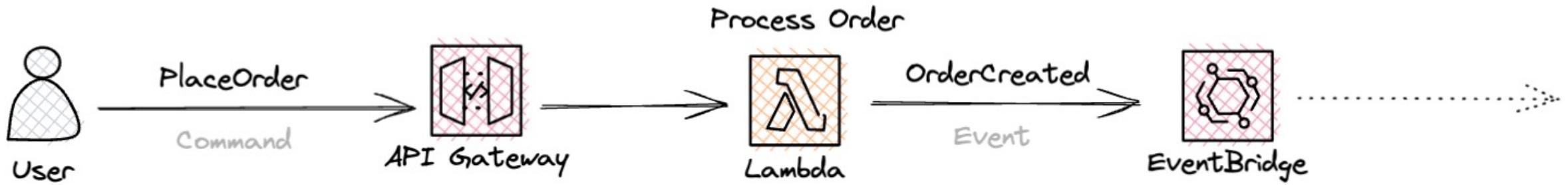
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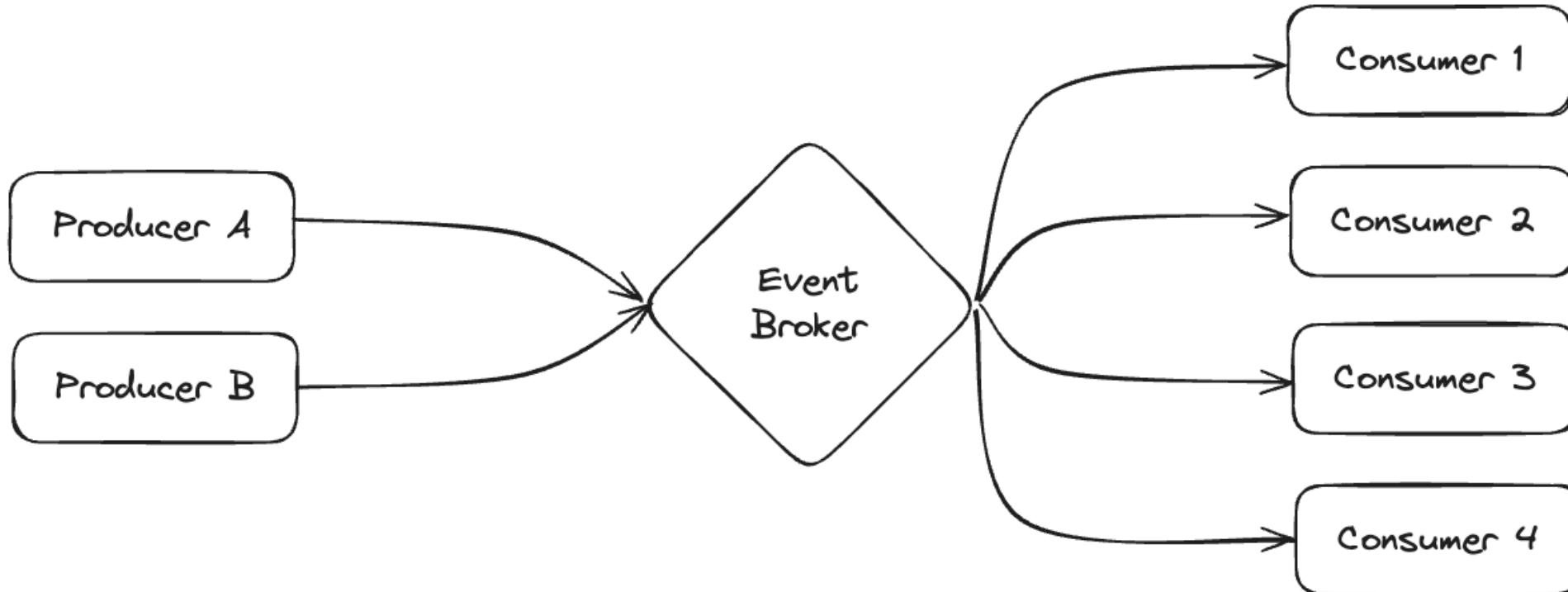
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Events

- Facts that have happened
- Immutable information
- Cannot be changed
- Consumers can ignore events
- Many consumers
- Past tense
- Can use events to determine history of transaction
- Example "OrderCreated" into EventBridge

Event Broker

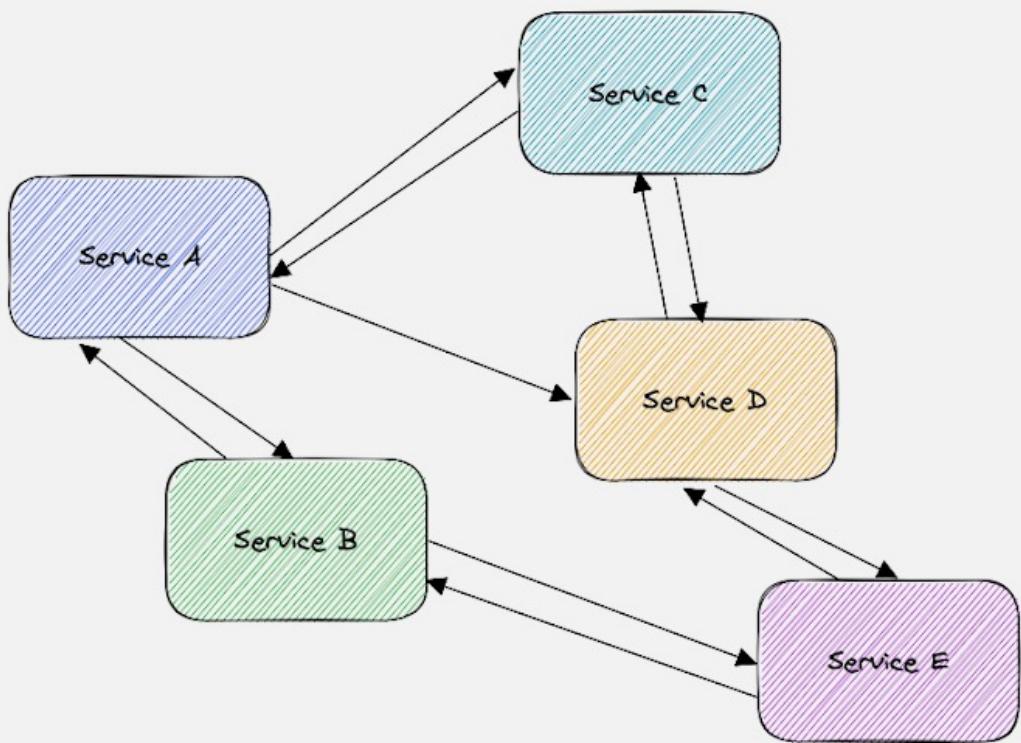


What is Event Driven Architecture?

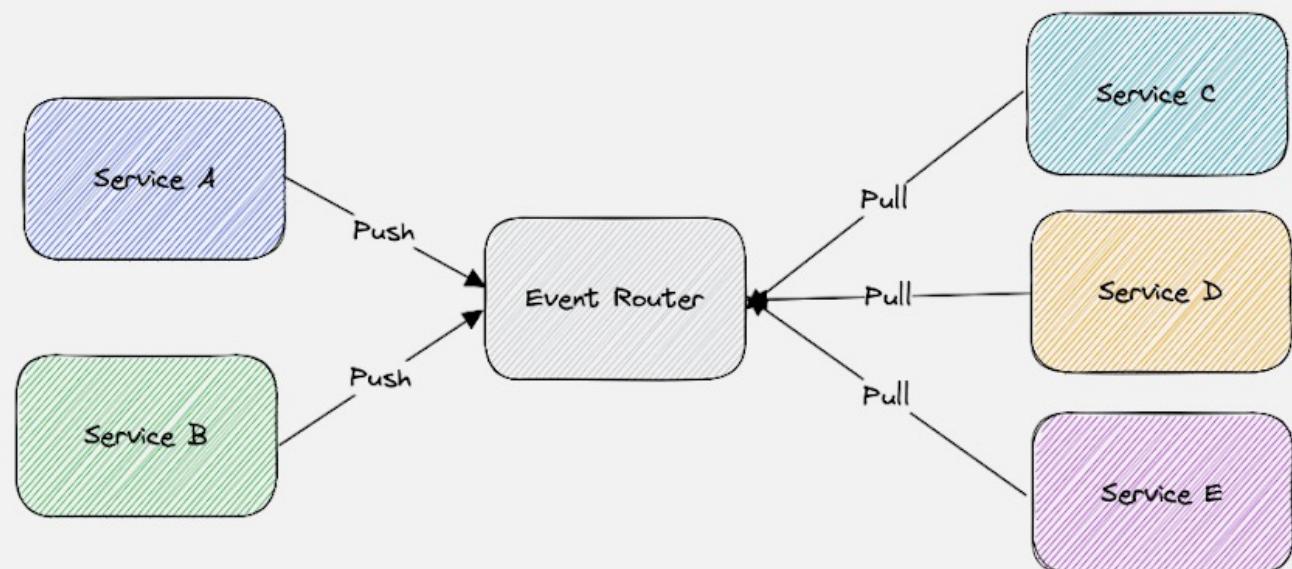
“An Event Driven Architecture is an of software architecture pattern built upon the production, detection, consumption & reaction to events. It uses events to trigger and communicate between decoupled services.”

The three key components are:
Event Producers, Event Brokers, and Event Consumers

"Traditional" Microservices



Event-Driven Architecture



Some of the tools we can use:



AWS EventBridge

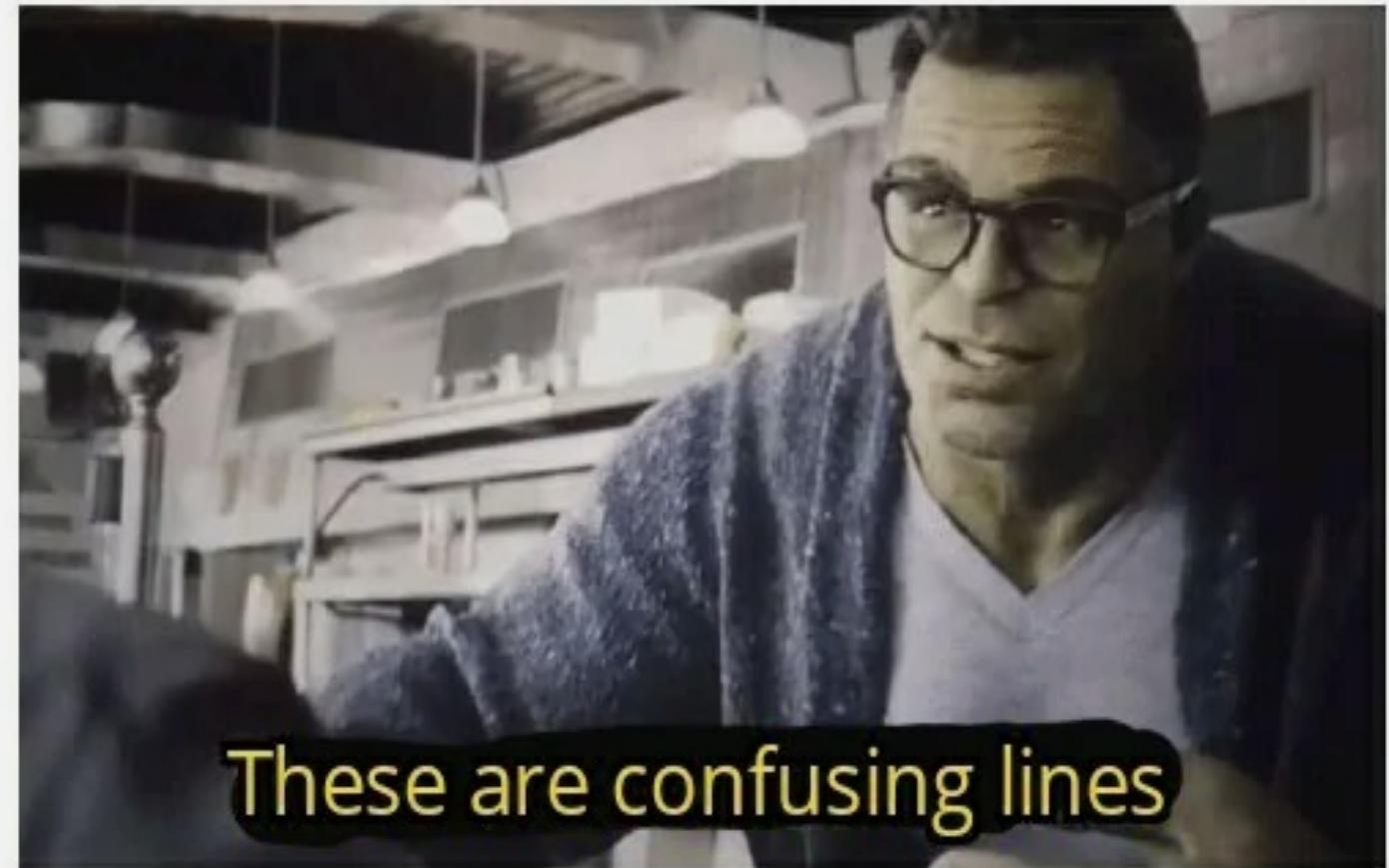


Cloud Pub/Sub

The Challenge
in large teams.

Me: writes code with
no documentation

Me: *one month later*



We usually use
OpenAPI for docs.



Open API
Specification



Swagger

**But there's no support for
Asynchronous APIs in
OpenAPI**

	1...1	One to Many
Synchronous	 Request/Response 	
Asynchronous	 3.1 - Webhooks 	 Publish/subscribe  Other async interactions

WHAT IF...?

We create
OpenAPI standard for
Asynchronous APIs?



AsyncAPI

Building the future of Event-Driven Architectures (EDA)

Open-Source tools to easily build and maintain your event-driven architecture. All powered by the AsyncAPI specification, the **industry standard** for defining asynchronous APIs.

[Read the docs](#) ▾[!\[\]\(cebdf28220713f21f1ebb8bbb41971b3_img.jpg\) Quick search... ⌘ K](#)

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```
● ● ●           asyncapi.yaml
asyncapi: 3.0.0
info:
  title: Account Service
  version: 1.0.0
  description: This service is in charge of processing user signups :rocket:
channels:
  userSignup:
    address: 'user/signup'
    messages:
      userSignupMessage:
        $ref: '#/components/messages/UserSignup'
operations:
  processUserSignups:
    action: 'receive'
    channel:
      $ref: '#/channels/userSignup'
```

● ● ● Account Service Documentation

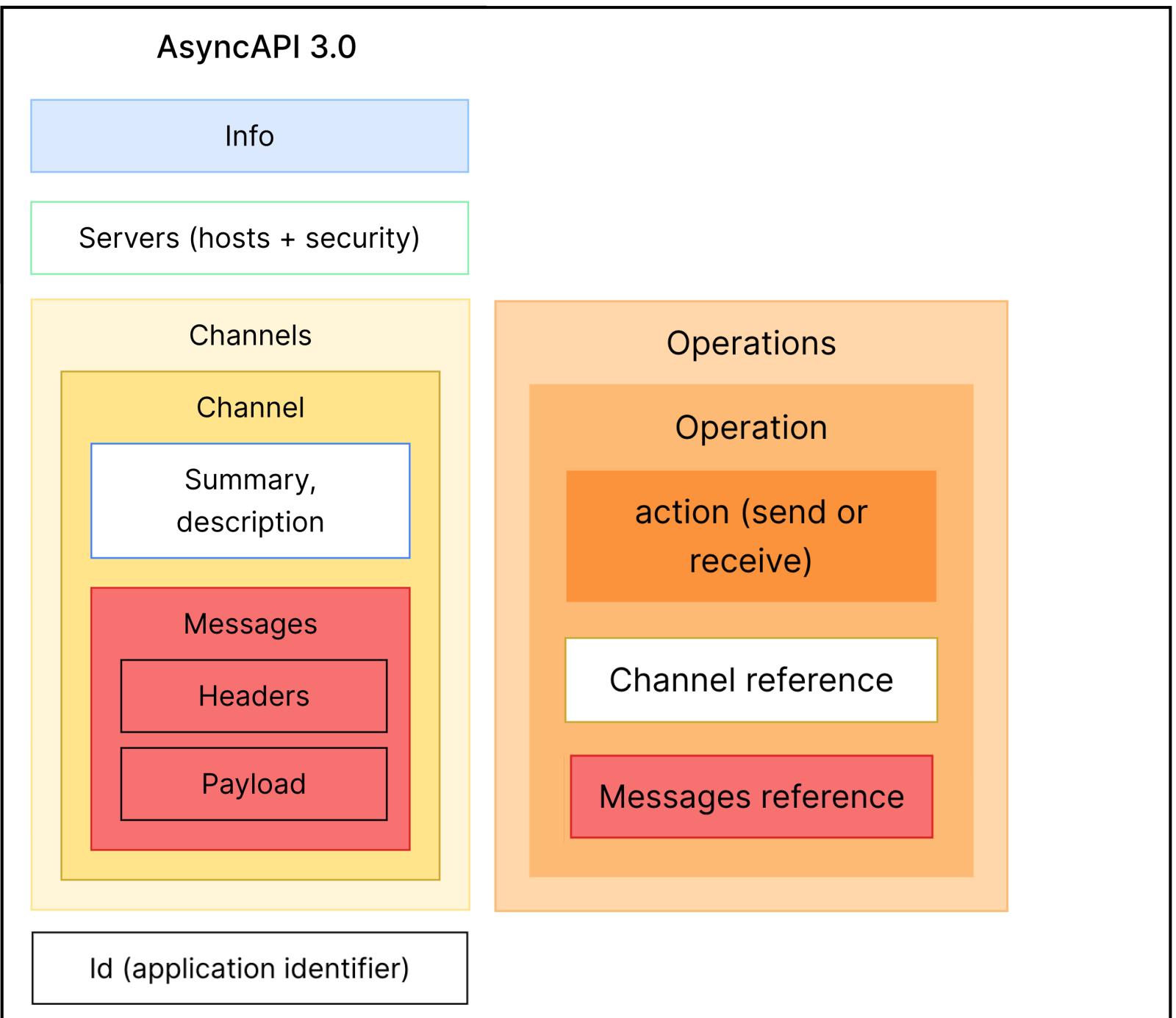
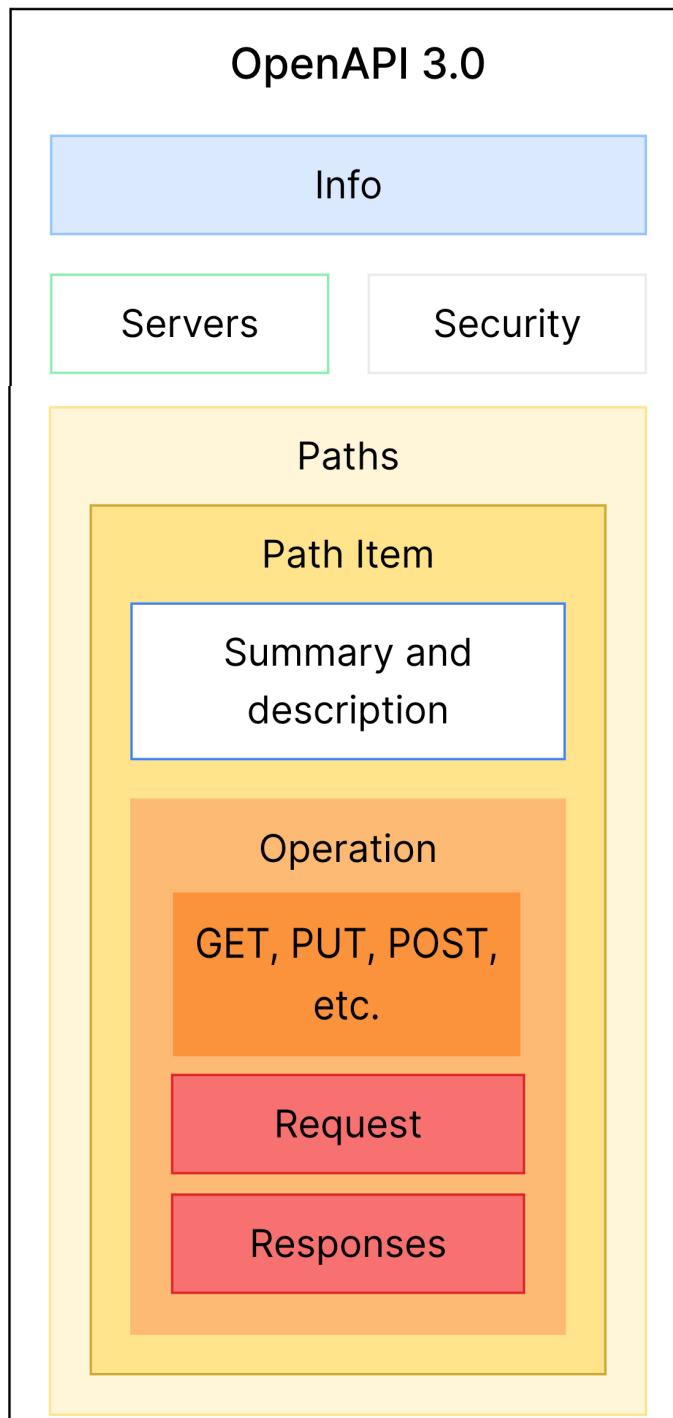
Account Service 1.0.0

This service is in charge of processing user signups 🚀

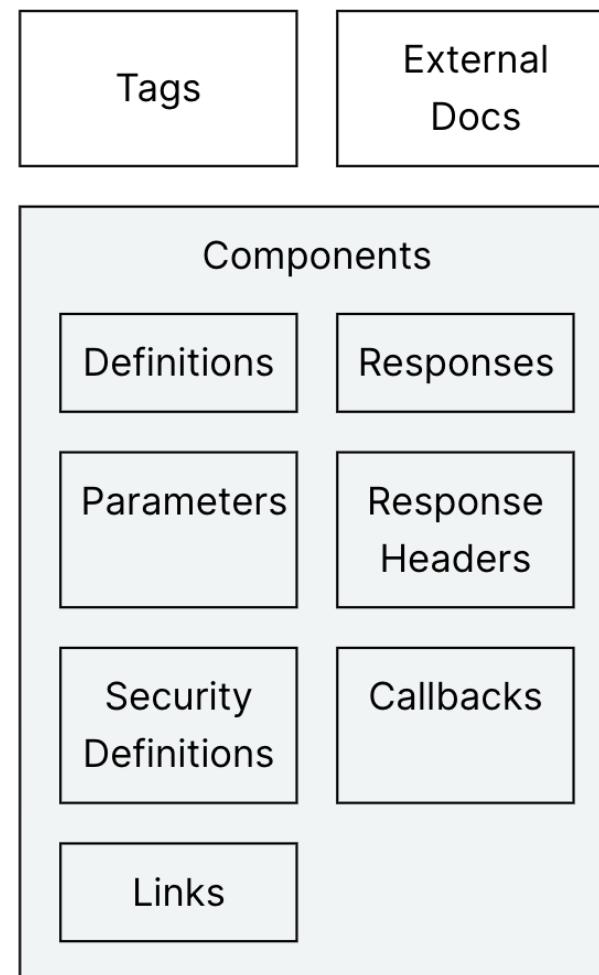
RECEIVES `user/signup`

Accepts the following message:

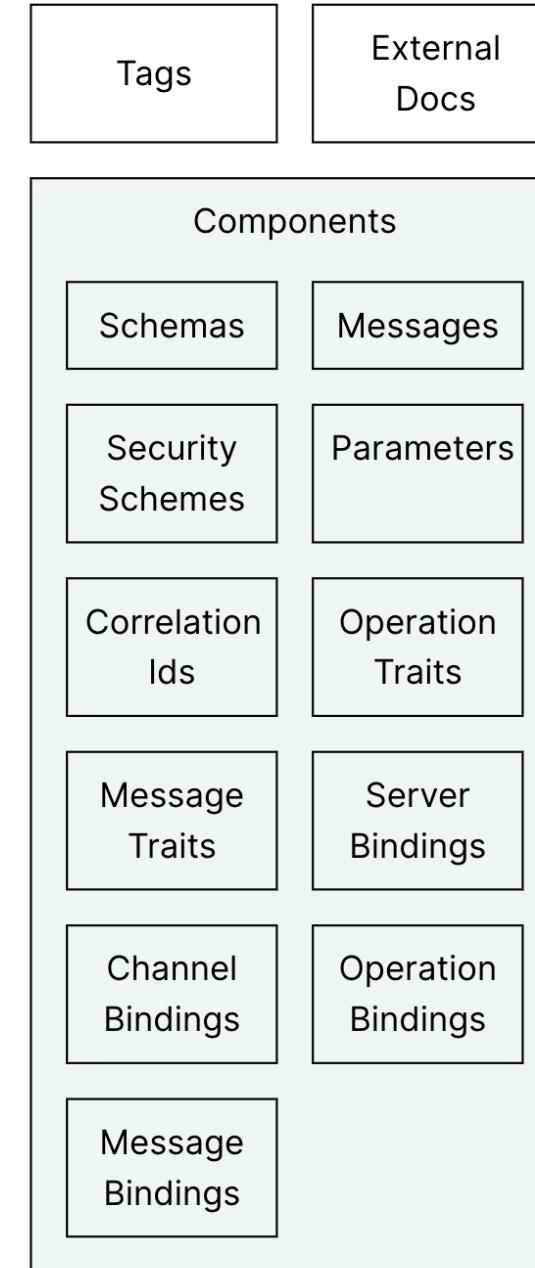
Payload	Object
displayName	String Name of the user
email	String email Email of the user



OpenAPI 3.0



AsyncAPI 3.0



```
1  asynccapi: 3.0.0
2  info:
3    title: Example application
4    version: '1.1.0'
5  channels:
6    userSignup:
7      address: 'user/signup'
8      messages:
9        userSignedupMessage:
10          description: A message describing that a user just signed up.
11          payload:
12            type: object
13            additionalProperties: false
14            properties:
15              fullName:
16                type: string
17              email:
18                type: string
19                format: email
20              age:
21                type: integer
22                minimum: 18
23  operations:
24    publishUserSignup:
25      action: 'send'
26      channel:
27        $ref: '#/channels/userSignup'
```

Example application 1.1.0

Operations

SEND `user/signup`

Operation ID `publishUserSignup`

Accepts the following message:

`userSignedupMessage`

Message ID `userSignedupMessage`

A message describing that a user just signed up.

Payload Expand all **Object**

`fullName` **String**

`email` **String** `format: email`

`age` **Integer** `>= 18`

Additional properties are **NOT** allowed.

Examples

Payload >

UP TO DATE DOCUMENTATION



**NOW THERE IS SOMETHING I
HAVEN'T SEEN IN A LONG TIME.**



AsyncAPI



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FastStream

A Unified API catering to Multiple Brokers

Major Features!

- **Multiple Brokers:** FastStream provides a unified API to work across multiple message brokers (Kafka, RabbitMQ, NATS, Redis support)
- **Pydantic Validation:** Leverage Pydantic's validation capabilities to serialize and validate incoming messages
- **Automatic Docs:** Stay ahead with automatic AsyncAPI documentation
- **Powerful Dependency Injection System:** Manage your service dependencies efficiently with FastStream's built-in DI system
- **Testable:** Supports in-memory tests, making your CI/CD pipeline faster and reliable
- **Extensible:** Use extensions for lifespans, custom serialization and middleware
- **Integrations:** Fully compatible with any HTTP framework (Especially FastAPI)

Building our first FastStream App



app.py

```
from faststream.nats import NatsBroker  
  
broker = NatsBroker("nats://localhost:4222")
```

You could use
KafkaBroker or
RabbitBroker or
RedisBroker



app.py

```
from faststream.nats import NatsBroker

broker = NatsBroker("nats://localhost:4222")

@broker.subscriber("test")
async def base_handler(body):
    print(f"Received {body}")
```



app.py

```
from faststream import FastStream
from faststream.nats import NatsBroker

broker = NatsBroker("nats://localhost:4222")

app = FastStream(broker)

@broker.subscriber("test")
async def base_handler(body):
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Running the EventBroker! (NATS.IO)



docker-compose.yml

```
version: '3.9'
services:
  nats:
    image: 'nats:latest'
    container_name: nats-server
    ports:
      - '6222:6222'
      - '8222:8222'
      - '4222:4222'
    command: '-js -m 8222'
```

N **Dashboard** v0.3.1

localhost http://localhost:8222

Light System

Overview Info Connections JetStream

NCUC3SDRULV46KLJJQM3T4OKCQIK6KMKGLEX4HLU6BLSABT2J2IY4IJK

Uptime 21m 7s Server Time 12/07/2024, 10:25:13

Start Time 12/07/2024, 10:04:06 Config Load Time 12/07/2024, 10:04:06

v2.10.17

External Links

G GitHub N NATS.io D NATS Docs

CPU Load	Memory Usage	Connections	Total Connections	Subscriptions	Slow Consumers
0 %	12.83 MiB	0	0	59	0
Total Messages Received	Total Messages Sent	Total Data Received	Total Data Sent		
0	0	0 B	0 B		
Messages Received Rate	Messages Sent Rate	Data Received Rate	Data Sent Rate		
0 /s	0 /s	0 B/s	0 B/s		
Leaf Nodes	Routes	Remotes	Max Connections	Max Payload	Max Pending
0	0	0	65.54 K	1 MiB	64 MiB
Max Control Line	Ping Interval	Max Pings Out	Write Deadline	Auth. Timeout	TLS Timeout
4 KiB	2 m	2	10 s	2 s	2 s

Server JetStream Stats Slow Consumer Stats Monitoring Server

Host Memory Clients Host

0.0.0.0 0 B 0 0.0.0.0 0 B



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async def base_handler(body):
    print(f"Received {body}")

@app.after_startup
async def test():
    await broker.publish("Hello EuroPython", subject="test")
```

```
$ faststream run app:app
2024-07-12 16:27:31,960 INFO - FastStream app starting...
2024-07-12 16:27:31,974 INFO - test |           - `BaseHandler` waiting for messages
2024-07-12 16:27:31,975 INFO - FastStream app started successfully! To exit, press CTRL+C
2024-07-12 16:27:31,977 INFO - test | 78f6122f-7 - Received
Recieved: Hello EuroPython
2024-07-12 16:27:31,977 INFO - test | 78f6122f-7 - Processed
```

Let's integrate with
FastStream



Pydantic Model



models.py

```
from pydantic import BaseModel, Field

class UserModel(BaseModel):
    user_id: int = Field(
        ...,
        description="Unique Identifier",
        examples=[1],
    )
    name: str = Field(
        ... , description="User's Full Name",
        examples=["John Doe", "My Name"]
    )
```

Creating an Event Producer



app.py

```
from faststream import FastStream
from faststream.nats import NatsBroker
from models import UserModel

broker = NatsBroker("nats://localhost:4222/")

app = FastStream(broker)

@broker.subscriber("user-register")
async def handle_msg(user: UserModel) -> None: # Return type is also validated
    print(f"Welcome to EuroPython {user.name}, your ID is {user.user_id}")

@app.after_startup
async def test():
    user = UserModel(name="Abhinand", user_id=1)
    await broker.publish(user, subject="user-register")
```

Creating an Event Producer



producer.py

```
import asyncio
from faststream.nats import NatsBroker

from models import UserModel

broker = NatsBroker("nats://localhost:4222/")

async def main():
    async with NatsBroker() as br:
        user = UserModel(name=f"Tony Stark", user_id=10)
        await br.publish(user, subject="user-register")

asyncio.run(main())
```

Using FastAPI Integration



app.py

```
from faststream.nats.fastapi import NatsRouter
from fastapi import FastAPI
from models import UserModel

router = NatsRouter("nats://localhost:4222/")

@router.subscriber("user-register")
async def handle_msg(user: UserModel) → None: # Return type is also validated
    print(f"Welcome to EuroPython {user.name}, your ID is {user.user_id}")

app = FastAPI(lifespan=router.lifespan_context)
app.include_router(router)
```

FastAPI 0.1.0

Introduction

Servers

development

OPERATIONS

SUB user-register:HandleMsg

MESSAGES

user-register:HandleMsg:Message

SCHEMAS

UserModel

FastAPI 0.1.0

APPLICATION/JSON

Servers

nats://localhost:4222/ **NATS CUSTOM** **DEVELOPMENT**

Operations

SUB user-register:HandleMsg

Available only on servers:

developmentChannel specific information **NATS** Expand all

Accepts the following message:

user-register:HandleMsg:Message **user-register:HandleMsg:Message**Correlation ID `$message.header#/correlation_id`**Payload** Expand all**Object** `uid:UserModel`

Examples

Payload

```
{  
  "user_id": 1,  
  "name": "John Doe"  
}
```

This example has been generated automatically.

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Messages

#1 user-register:HandleMsg:Message [user-register:HandleMsg:Message](#)

Correlation ID [\\$message.header#/correlation_id](#)

Payload ▾ Collapse all

Object uid: UserModel

user_id

required

Integer

Unique Identifier

Examples values: [1](#)

name

required

String

User's Full Name

Examples values: ["John Doe"](#) ["My Name"](#)

Additional properties are allowed.

Schemas

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Chaining Events



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from fastapi import FastAPI
from models import UserModel

router = NatsRouter("nats://localhost:4222/")

@router.subscriber("user-register")
@router.publisher("chain-event")
async def handle_msg(user: UserModel) -> UserModel: # Return type is also validated
    print(f"Welcome to EuroPython {user.name}, your ID is {user.user_id}")
    return user

@router.subscriber("chain-event")
async def handle_msg(user: UserModel) -> None:
    print(f"Recieved: {user.user_id}:{user.name}")

app = FastAPI(lifespan=router.lifespan_context)
app.include_router(router)
```

Thank you



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Let's connect
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Resources to take things forward!

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