Versioning and Evolving Microservices in ASP.NET Core

UNDERSTANDING WHY APIS EVOLVE



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Overview



GloboTicket demo application

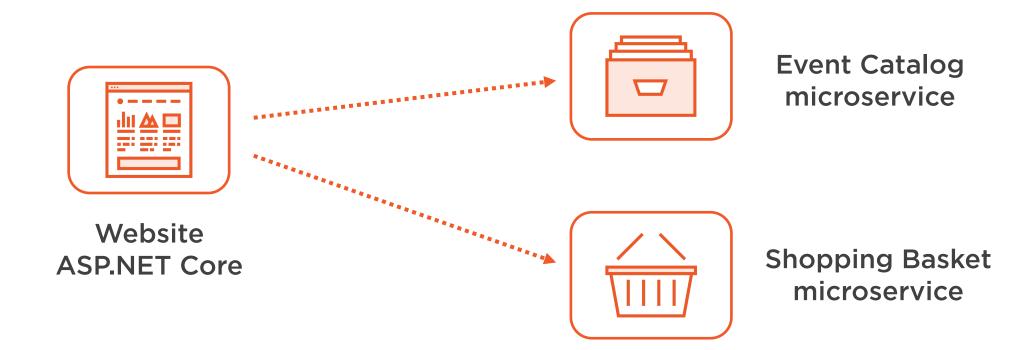
Why we need to evolve microservice APIs



Introducing GloboTicket



A Globomantics Company



Building Microservices with ASP.NET Core



This course is part of a learning path on Pluralsight

Microservices: The Big Picture

Getting Started

Microservices Communication

Data Management Securing Microservices

Versioning

Deploying Microservices

Cross-cutting concerns

Scalability and availability



Building GloboTicket

- Starter project available in course download materials





Running Entity Framework Core database migrations

- Microservices should own their own data
- Event Catalog and Shopping Basket microservices both have their own SQL database





Running GloboTicket from the command line





Running GloboTicket from Visual Studio





Microservice APIs need to evolve

You're unlikely to create the perfect API first time



Meeting New Business Requirements

Existing behavior: Retrieve all events filtered by category

New requirement: Search for events by keyword

New requirement: Search for events by location



Better Understanding of Business Domain

Original design:

An event has a single ticket price

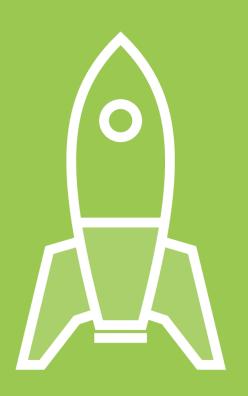
```
public class Event
 public Guid EventId { get; set; }
 public string Name { get; set; }
 public int Price { get; set; }
 public string Artist { get; set; }
 public DateTime Date { get; set; }
 public string Description { get; set; }
 public string ImageUrl { get; set; }
 public Guid CategoryId { get; set; }
 public string CategoryName { get; set; }
```

New requirement:

An event has multiple ticket prices

```
public class Event
  // ...
  public Ticket[] Tickets { get; set; }
  // ...
public class Ticket
  public int Price { get; set; }
  public string Description { get; set; }
```





Performance Considerations

Replace chatty communication with efficient APIs



Microservice APIs can evolve for several reasons:

New Requirements

Better Domain Understanding

Improved Performance

We need a good versioning strategy



Summary



GloboTicket sample application

- Build and run with .NET Core

Microservice APIs need to evolve

- Potential to break existing clients



Up next...

Maintaining Backwards Compatibility

