Applying Clean Architecture to ASP.NET Core Apps

In under 30 minutes

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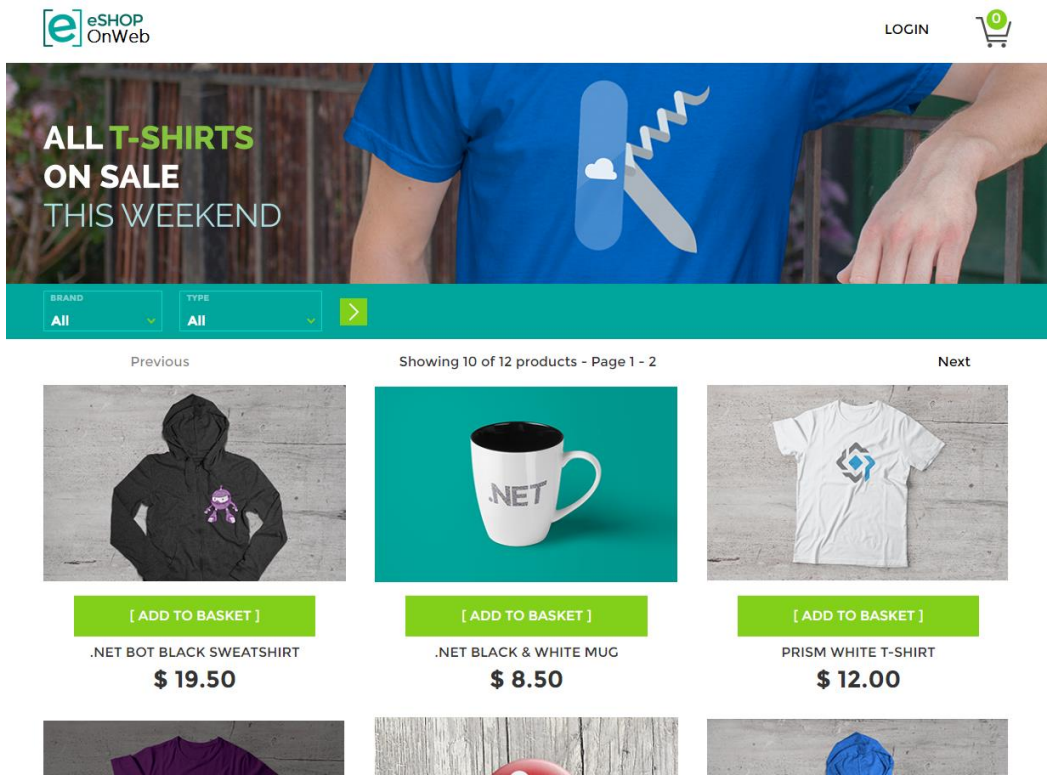

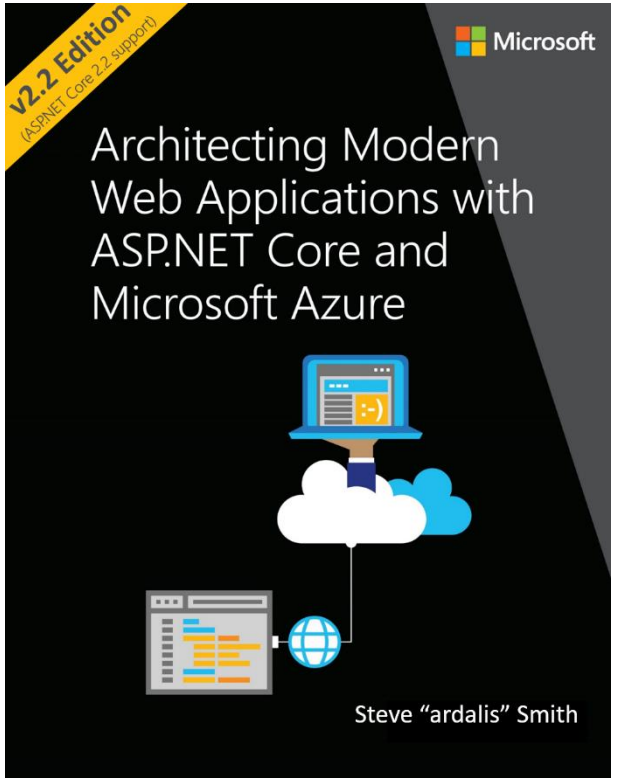

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https://dotnet.microsoft.com/learn/azure/architecture

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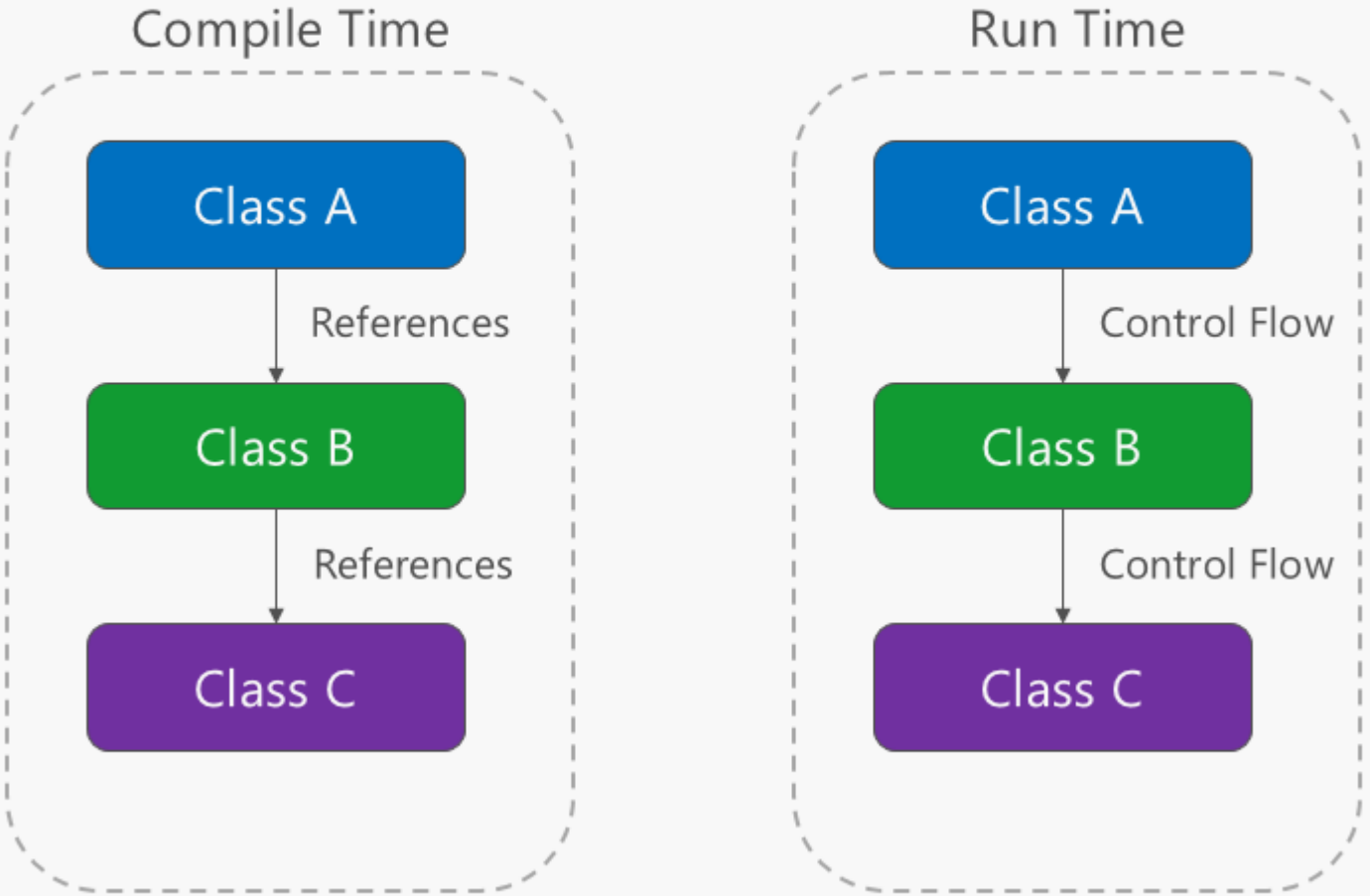
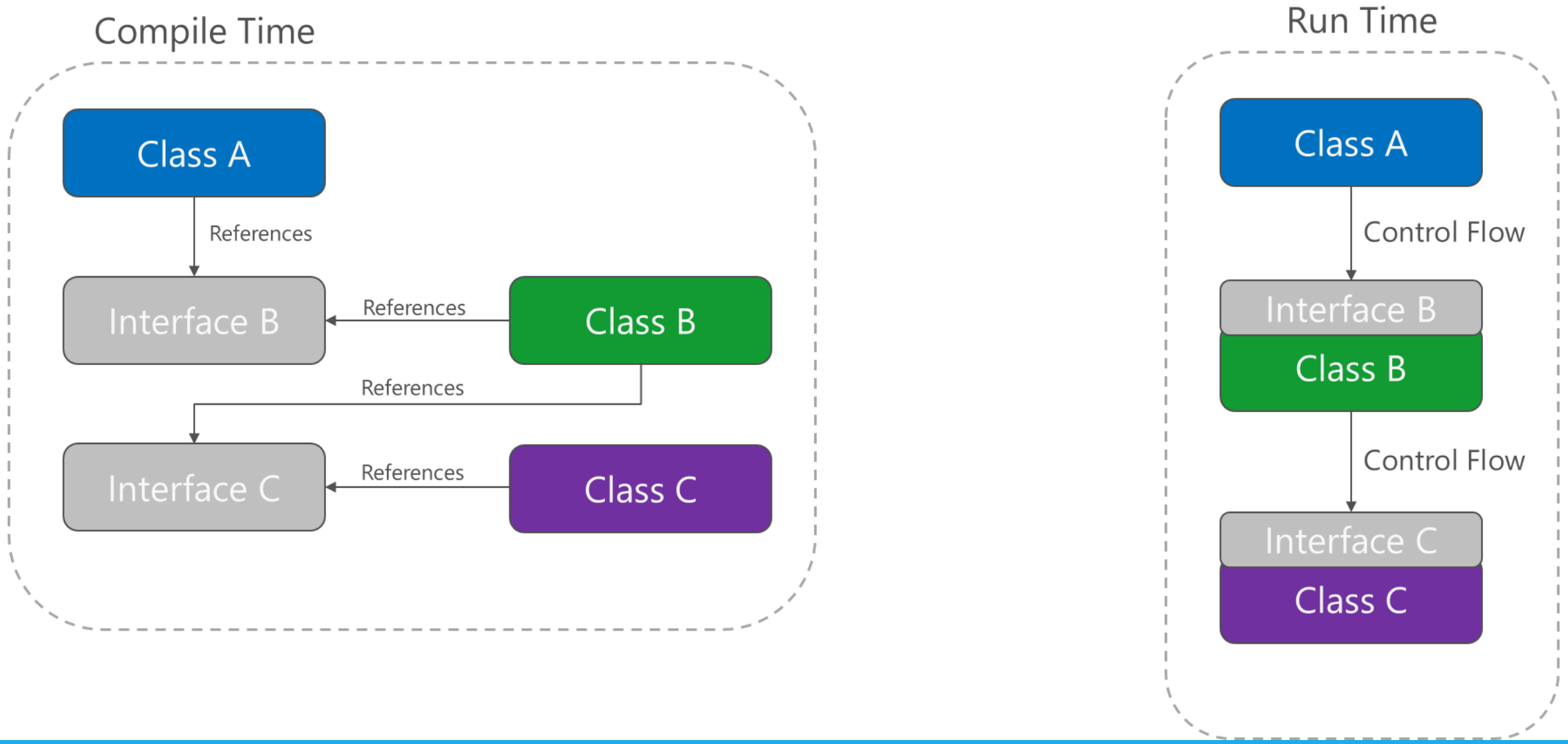
Direct Dependency Graph



Inverted Dependency Graph



Make the right thing easy and the wrong thing hard

FORCE DEVELOPERS INTO A "PIT OF SUCCESS"

Make the right thing easy and the wrong thing hard.

UI classes shouldn’t depend directly on infrastructure classes

- How can we structure our solution to help enforce this?

Make the right thing easy and the wrong thing hard.

Business/domain classes shouldn’t depend on infrastructure classes

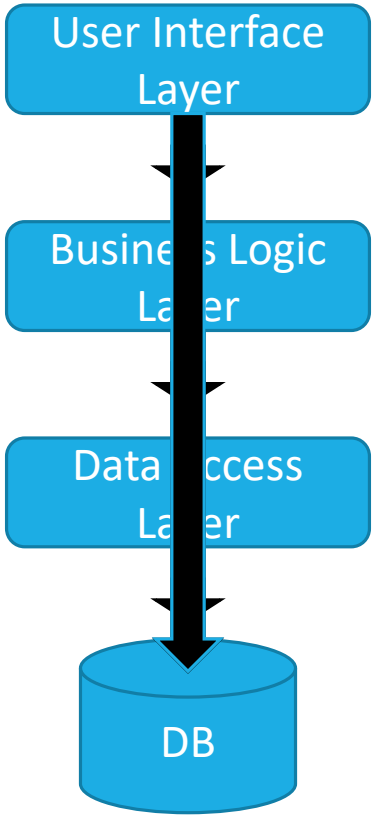
- How can our solution design help?

Make the right thing easy and the wrong thing hard.

Repetition of (query logic, validation logic, policies, error handling, anything) is a problem

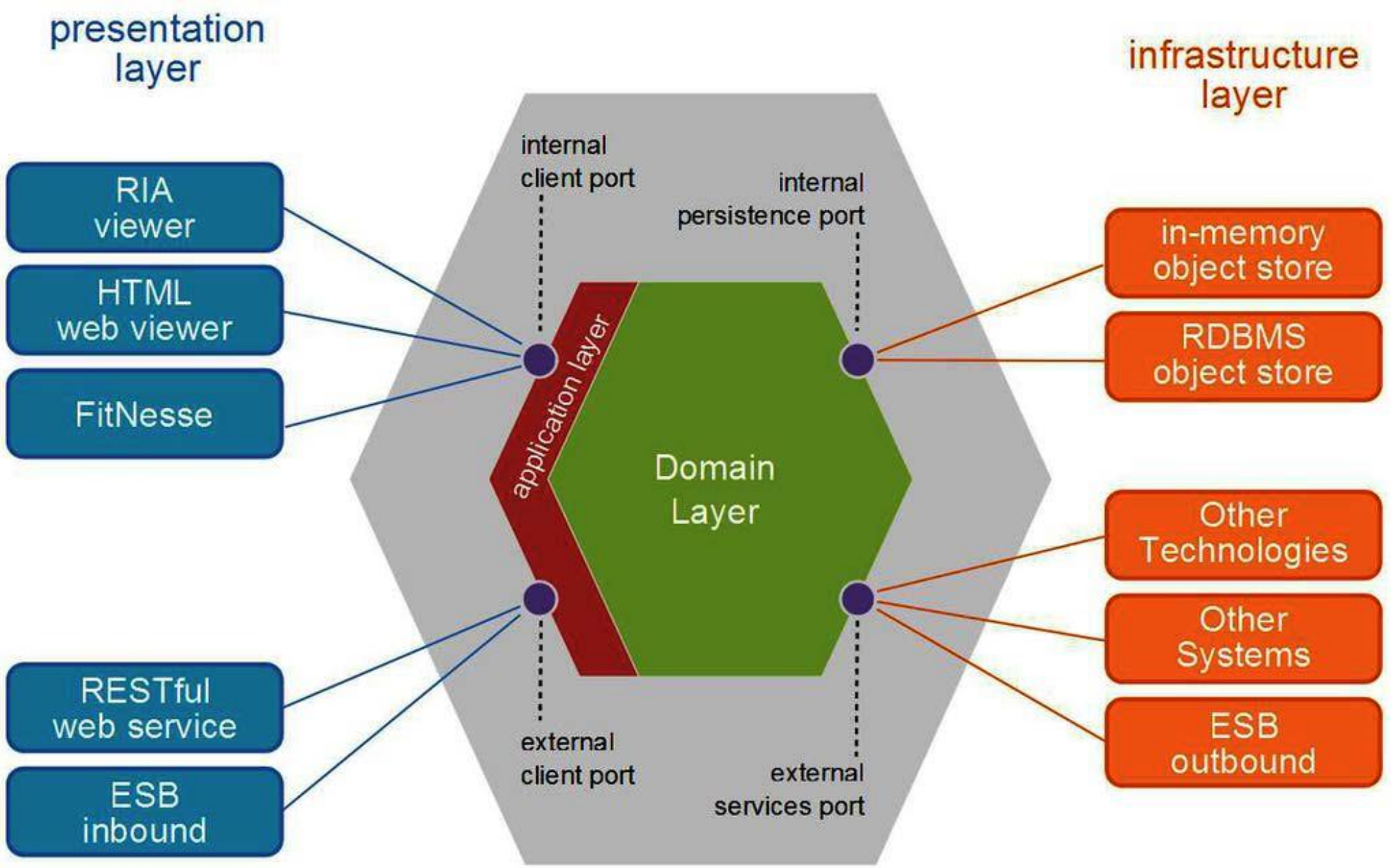
- What patterns can we apply to make avoiding repetition easier than copy/pasting?

Transitive Dependencies



Everything

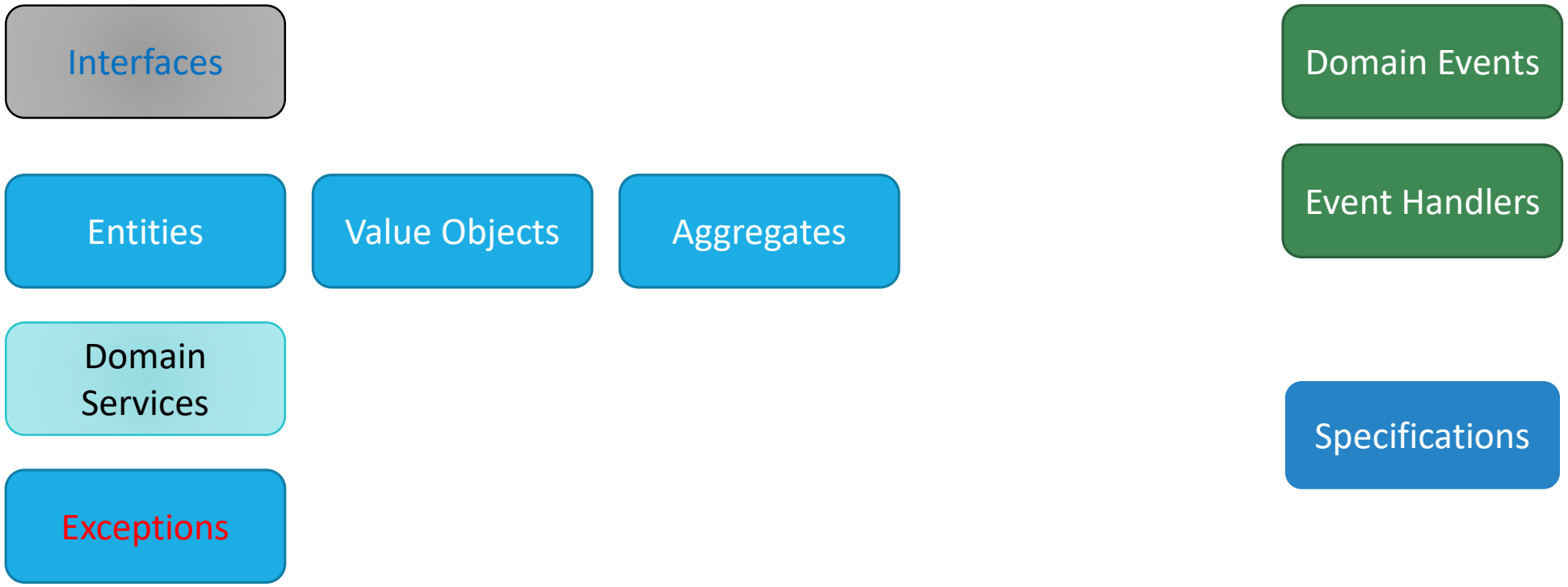
Depends on the *database*


presentation layer
infrastructure layer
RIA viewer
HTML web viewer
FitNesse
RESTful web service
ESB inbound
internal client port
internal persistence port
external client port
external services port
application layer
Domain Layer
in-memory object store
RDBMS object store
Other Technologies
Other Systems
ESB outbound

The Core Project (domain model)

Minimal dependencies – none on *Infrastructure*.

What Goes in Core:



The Infrastructure Project

All dependencies on out-of-process resources.

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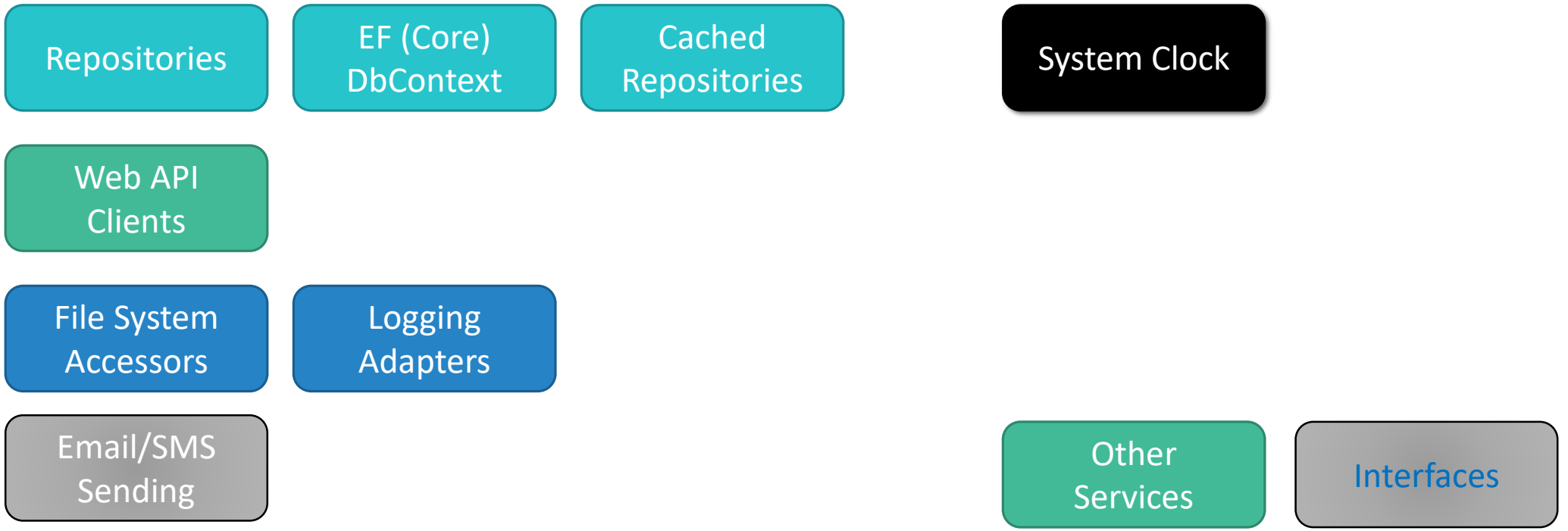
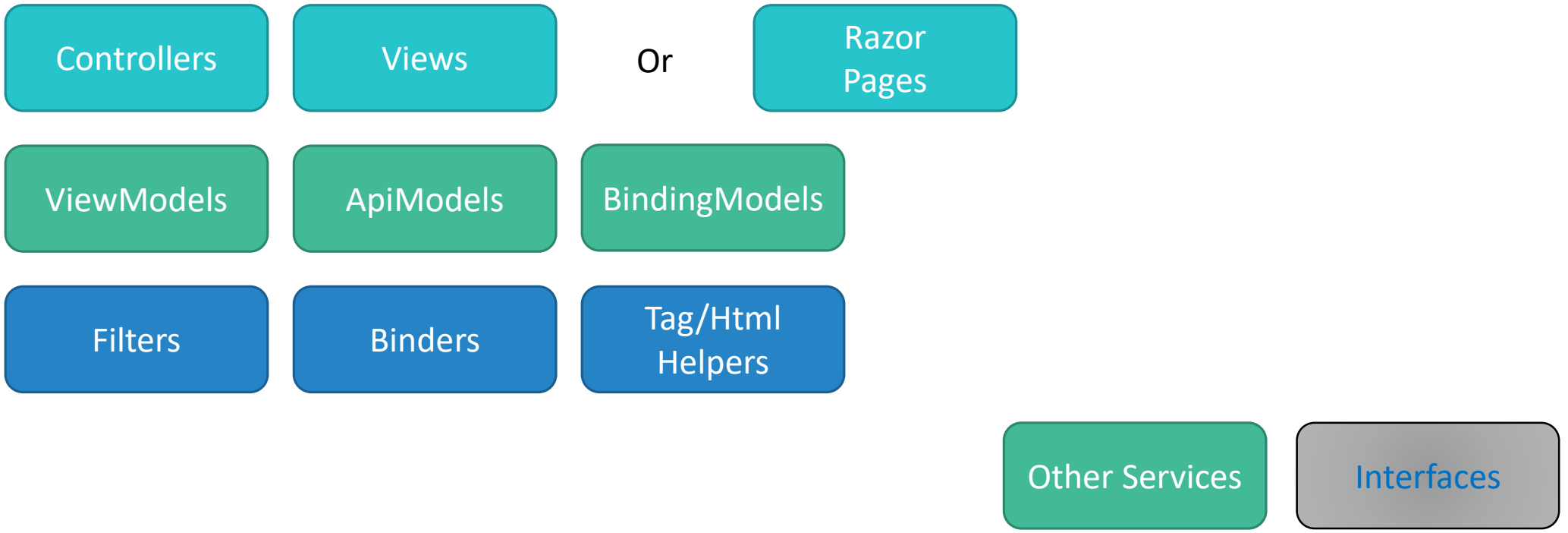


The Web Project

All dependencies on out-of-process resources.

What Goes in Web:

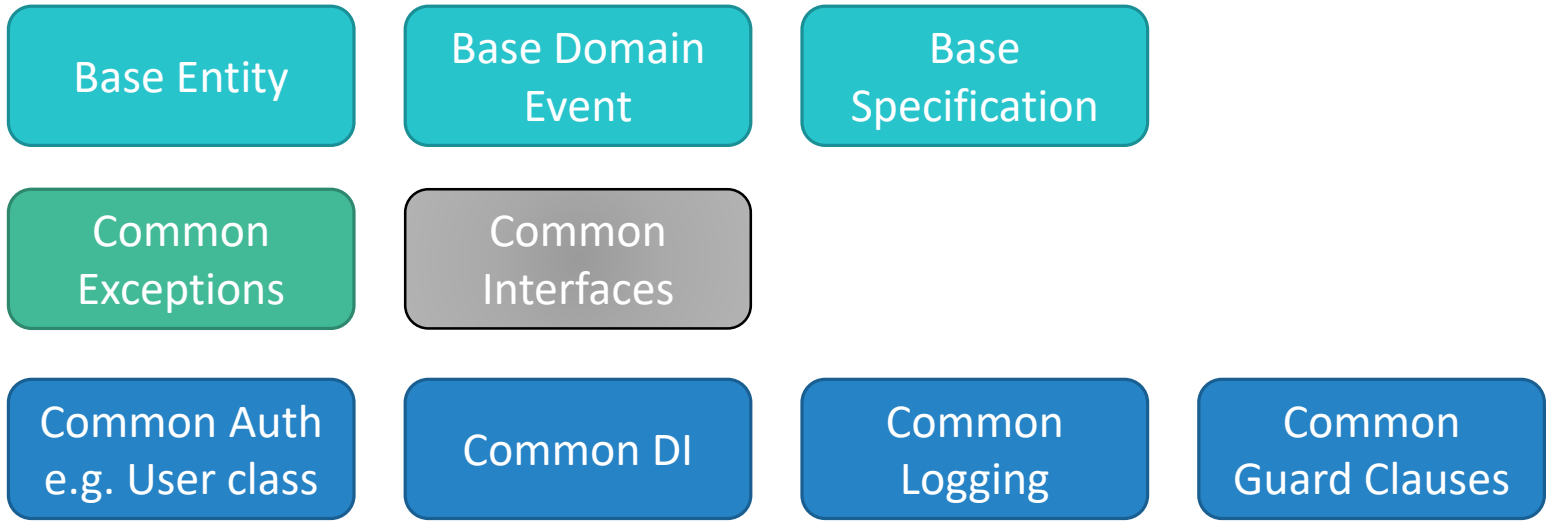


Sharing Between Solutions: Shared Kernel

Common Types May Be Shared Between Solutions. Will be referenced by Core project(s).

Ideally distributed as **Nuget Packages**.

What Goes in Shared Kernel:



Guard Clauses?

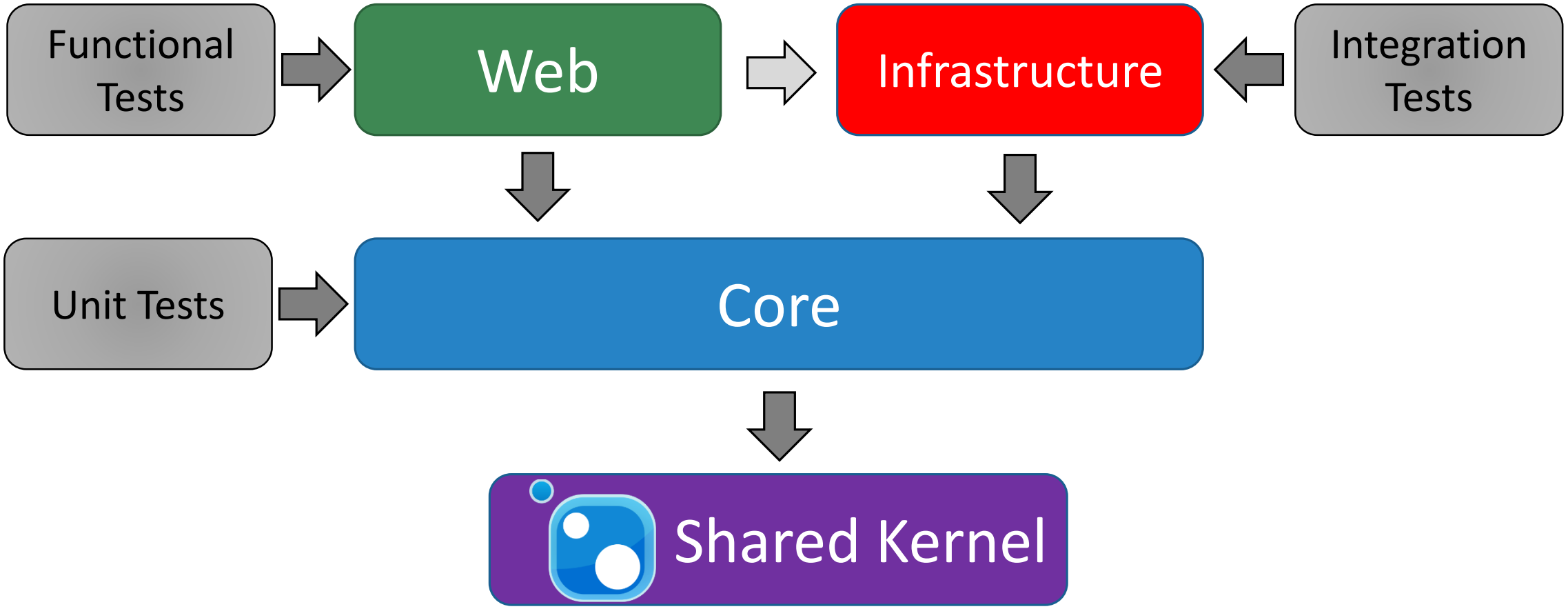
Simple checks for input that use common rules and exceptions.

Nuget Package: Ardalis.GuardClauses (https://github.com/ardalis/GuardClauses)

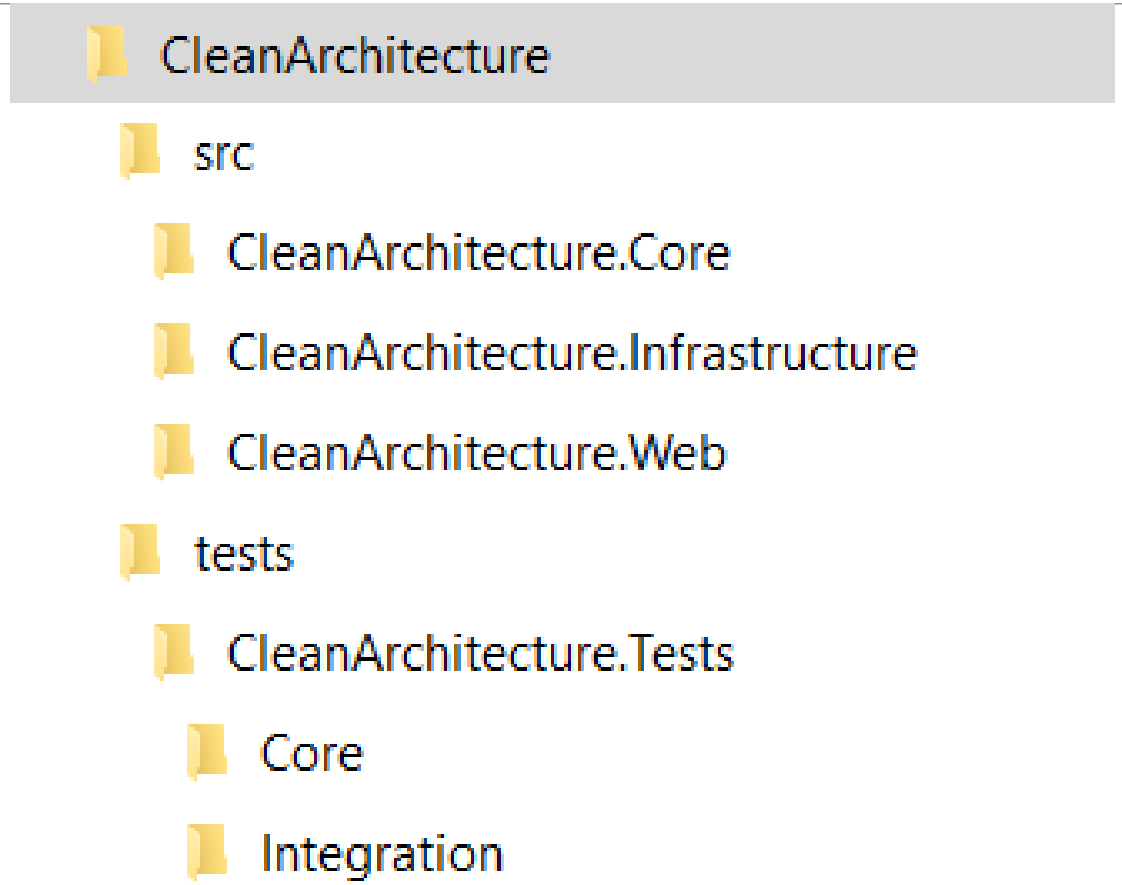
Example:

```
public void ProcessOrder(Order order)
{
    Guard.Against.Null(order, nameof(order));
    // process order here
}
```

Solution Structure – Clean Architecture



Typical (Basic) Folder Structure



Code Walkthrough

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