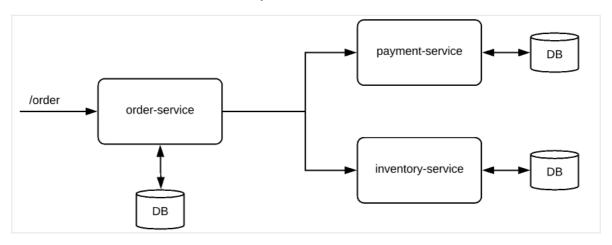
Sage Design Pattern

A Simple Transaction:

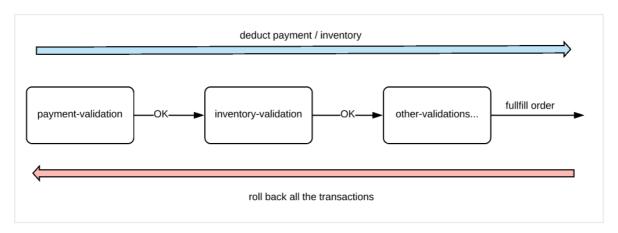
Let's assume that our business rule says, when a user places an order, order will be fulfilled if the product's price is within the user's credit limit/balance & the inventory is available for the product. Otherwise it will not be fulfilled. It looks really simple. This is very easy to implement in a monolith application. The entire workflow can be considered as 1 single transaction. It is easy to commit / rollback when everything is in a single DB. With distributed systems with multiple databases, It is going to be very complex! Let's look at our architecture first to see how to implement this.



We have below Microservices with its own DB.

- order-service
- payment-service
- inventory-service

When the order-service receives the request for the new order, It has to check with the payment-service & inventory-service. We deduct the payment, inventory and fulfill the order finally! What will happen if we deducted payment but if inventory is not available? How to roll back? It is difficult when multiple databases are involved.



Saga Pattern:

Each business transaction which spans multiple microservices are split into

micro-service specific local transactions and they are executed in a sequence to complete the business workflow. It is called Saga. It can be implemented in 2 ways.

- Choreography approach
- Orchestration approach

Orchestration Saga Pattern:

In this pattern, we will have an orchestrator, a separate service, which will be coordinating all the transactions among all the Microservices. If things are fine, it makes the order-request as complete, otherwise marks that as cancelled. Let's see how we could implement this. Our sample architecture will be more or less like this.!

- In this demo, communication between orchestrator and other services would be a simple HTTP in a non-blocking asynchronous way to make this stateless.
- We can also use Kafka topics for this communication. For that we have to use scatter/gather pattern which is more of a stateful style.

