

Recurring events on Elixir (the naive approach)

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Static schedules vs Dynamic schedules

- weekly status email
- daily data cleanup
- dispatch notifications

medication plans

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reminders

system service(cron)

Heroku scheduler add-on

Sidekiq-scheduler

Quantum

Why Elixir?

- Concurrency Erlang can run thousands, even millions of concurrent processes
- Fault tolerance processes are completely isolated (share no memory)
- Error isolation supervision trees provide fine control over error propagation
- Scalability VM takes advantage of multiple CPU cores
- Distribution builtin primitives for running service on multiple machines

GenServer

- process is purely functional and stateless computation unit
- abstraction for building long-running stateful server processes
- compatible with OTP supervision interface

Long running process with vanilla Elixir

```
defmodule Counter do
  def start link() do
    {:ok, spawn(fn() \rightarrow loop(0) end)}
  end
  def inc(pid, offset) do
    send(pid, {{:inc, offset}, self()})
    receive do
      value -> value
    end
  end
  def reset(pid) do
    send(pid, {:reset, self()})
    :ok
  end
  defp loop(value) do
    receive do
      {{:inc, offset}, caller} ->
        next_value = value + offset
        send(caller, next_value)
        loop(next_value)
      {:reset, _caller} ->
        loop(0)
    end
  end
end
```

Long running process with GenServer

```
defmodule Counter do
  use GenServer
  def start_link() do
    GenServer.start_link(Counter, :ok)
  end
  def inc(pid, offset) do
   GenServer.call(pid, {:inc, offset})
  end
  def reset(pid) do
   GenServer.cast(pid, :reset)
  end
  def init(_) do
    \{:ok, 0\}
  end
  def handle_call({:inc, offset}, _from, value) do
    next_value = value + offset
    {:reply, next_value, next_value}
  end
  def handle_cast(:reset, _value) do
    {:noreply, 0}
  end
end
```

Supervisor

- process which supervises other processes (children)
- define how processes are started and how they are shutdown (via strategies)
- provide fault-tolerance (define boundaries for error impact)

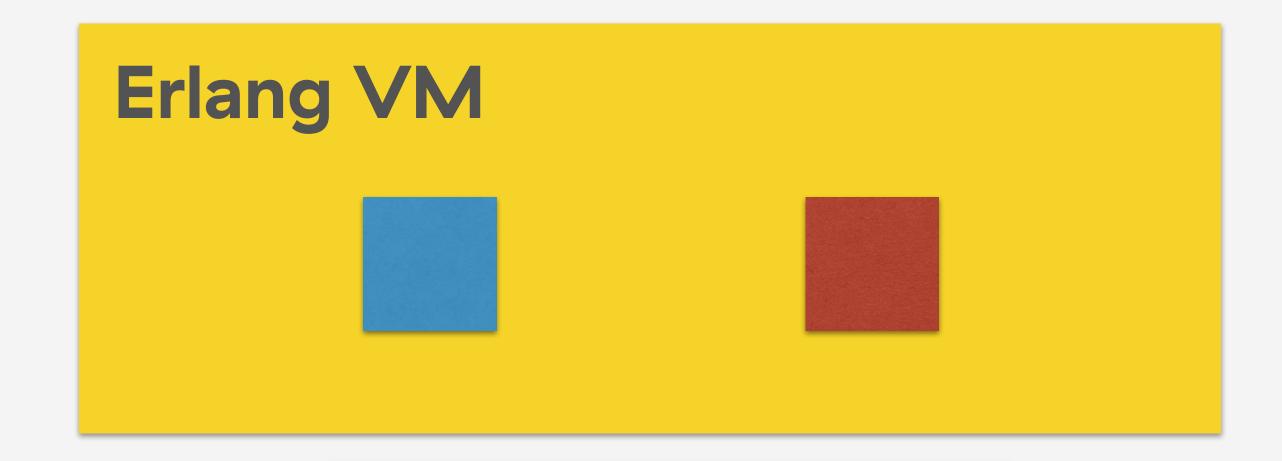
Registry

- in essence key-value process storage
- commonly used to name and locate processes (associate PID with process name)
- when process dies, associated values are automatically deleted

System overview

Every twelve hours from 21.10.2019 9:30

Every eight hours from 21.10.2019 10:00



callback(ts, ctx)











Translating schedule configuration

Every Monday at 9:00 from 21.10.2019



```
~N[2019-10-21 9:00]

~N[2019-10-28 9:00]

~N[2019-11-04 9:00]

~N[2019-11-11 9:00]
```

Cocktail

Schedule process behaviour

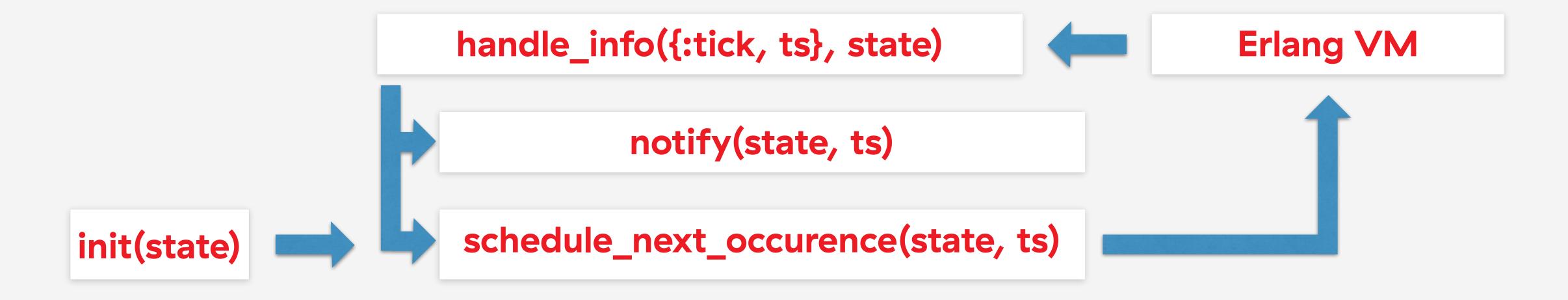
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unique identifier

callback



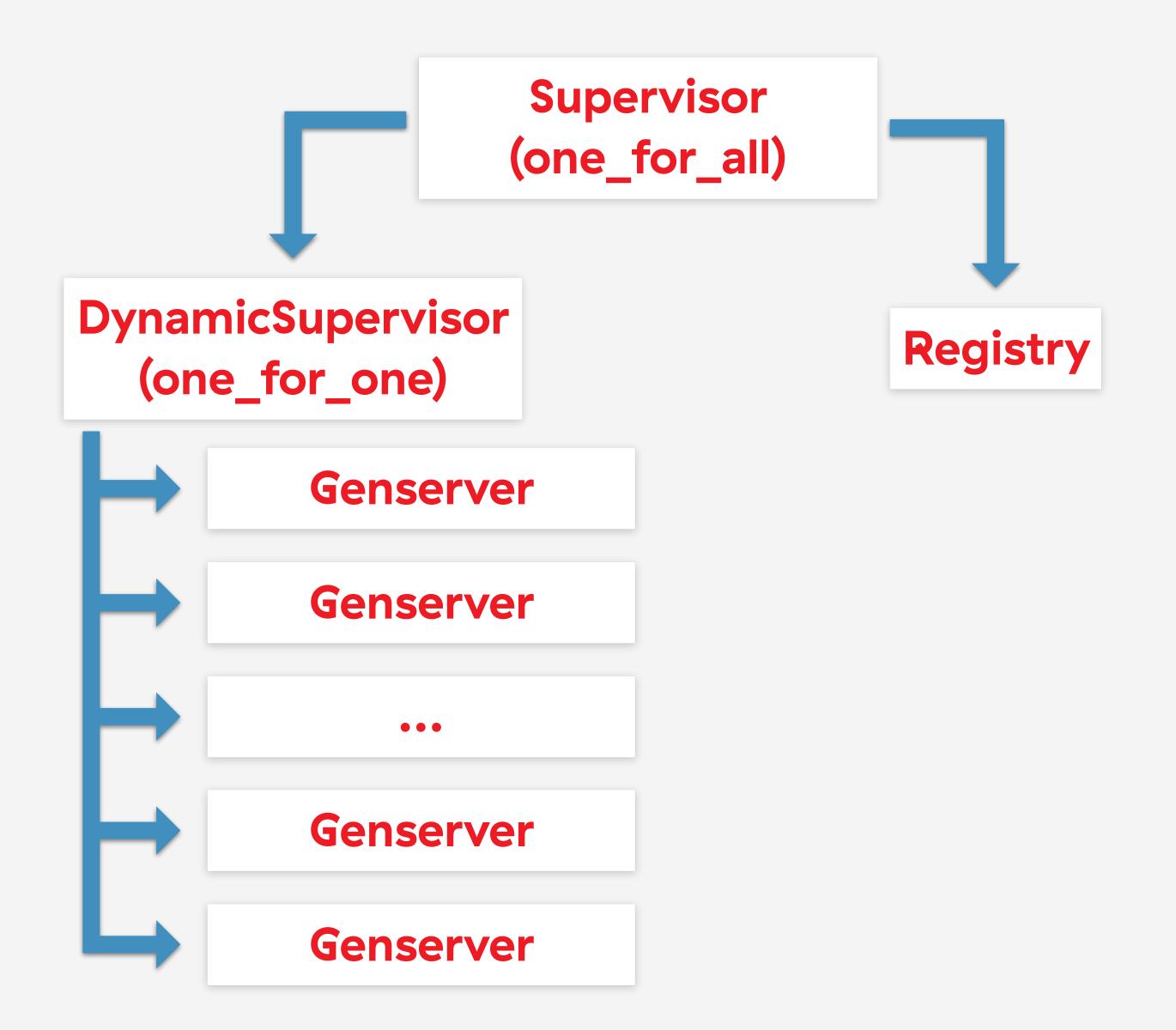
Schedule GenServer



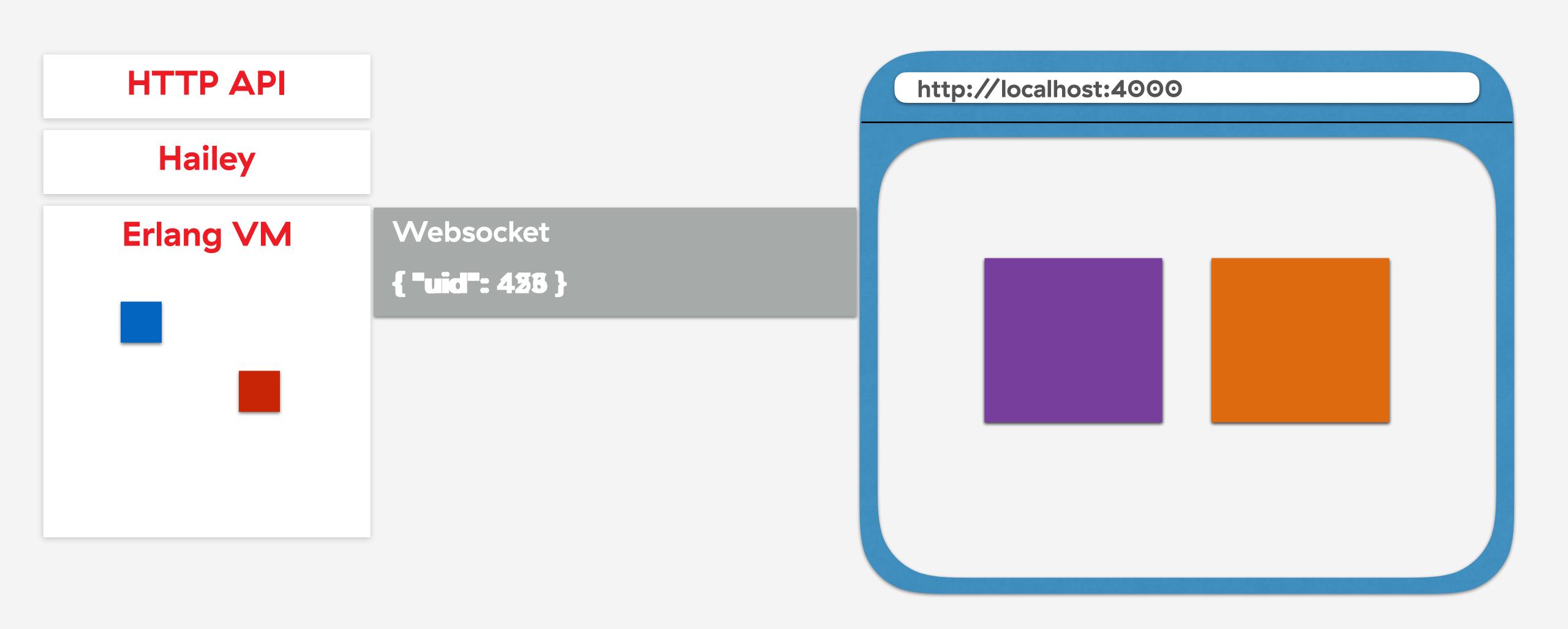
```
defp schedule_next_occurence(state, last_occurrence_at) do
   ts = next_occurence(state.occurrences, DateTime.utc_now(), last_occurrence_at)
   timeout = max(DateTime.diff(ts, DateTime.utc_now(), :millisecond), 1)

Process.send_after(self(), {:tick, ts}, timeout)
   {:noreply, state}
end
```

OTP system architecture



Demo architecture





Questions?

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