



Frontend Monolithen: Rette sich wer kann!

In 2016 the average webpage size passed the size of Doom



ronan cremin
@xbs



In about 7 months average web page size will be same as Doom install image.

Well done us! Onwards & upwards!
5:48 PM - Jul 30, 2015

1,761 people are talking about this

Web-Page Obesity

MEDIAN DESKTOP
1709.4 KB
▲265.5%

MEDIAN MOBILE
1565.8 KB
▲981.4%

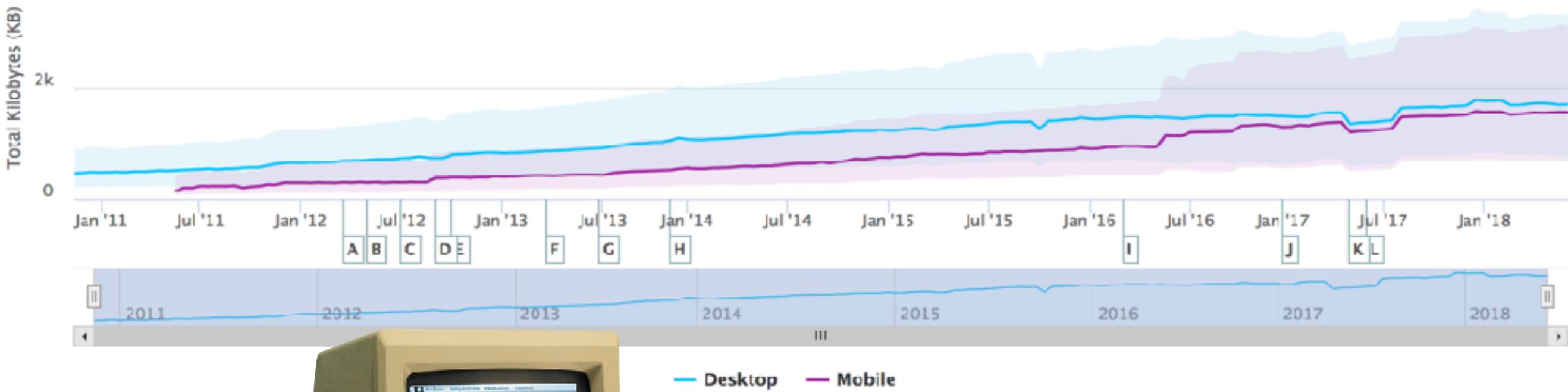
Timeseries of Total Kilobytes

Source: httparchive.org



Zoom 1m 3m 6m YTD 1y All

From Nov 15, 2010 To Jun 15, 2018



The first Mac had
128k of RAM in 1984.

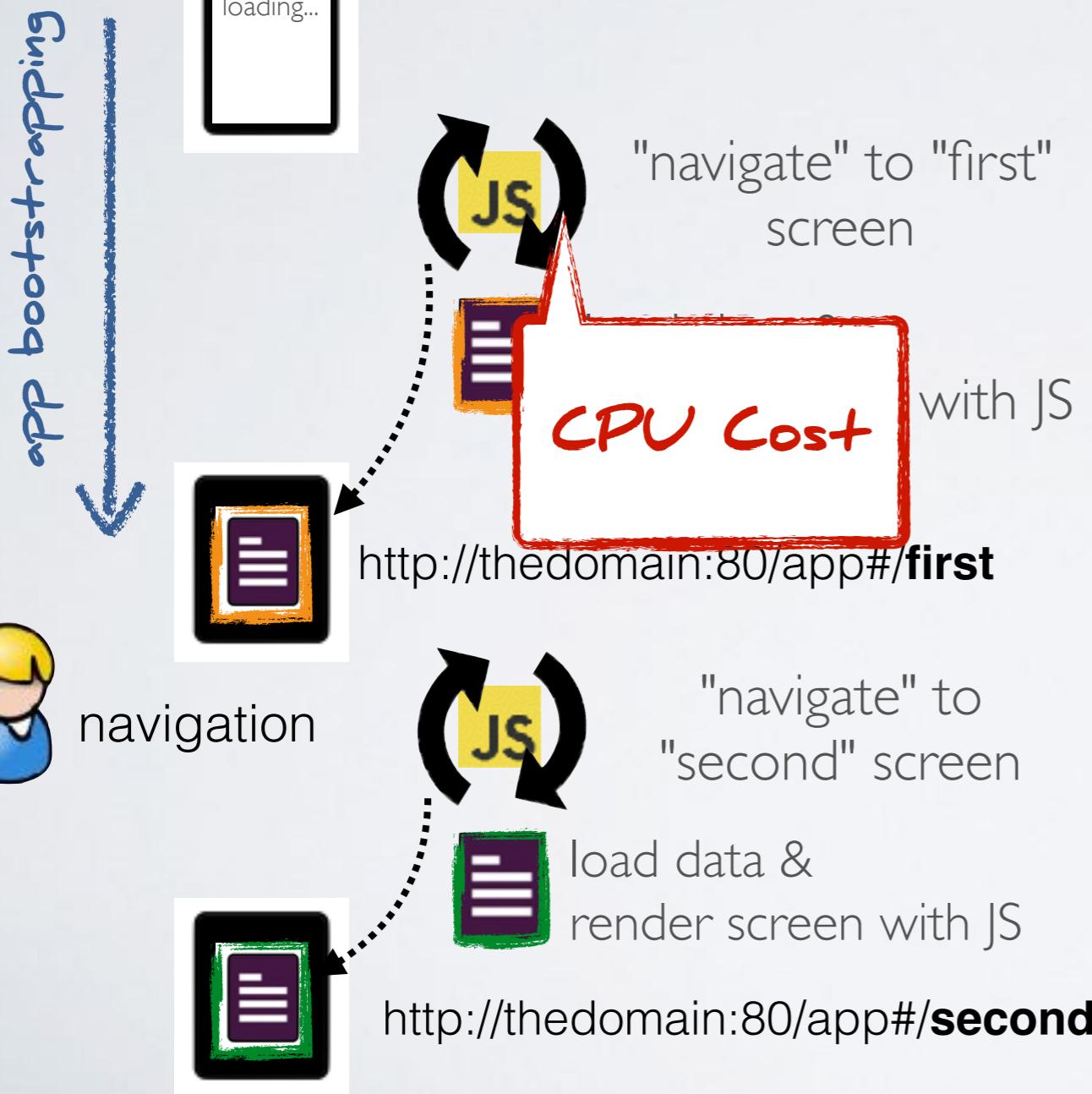


Web: Size does Matter!

The Cost of JavaScript



<http://thedomain:80/app#/first>



Browser



Server

initial request
http://thedomain:80/app

html-shell

assets

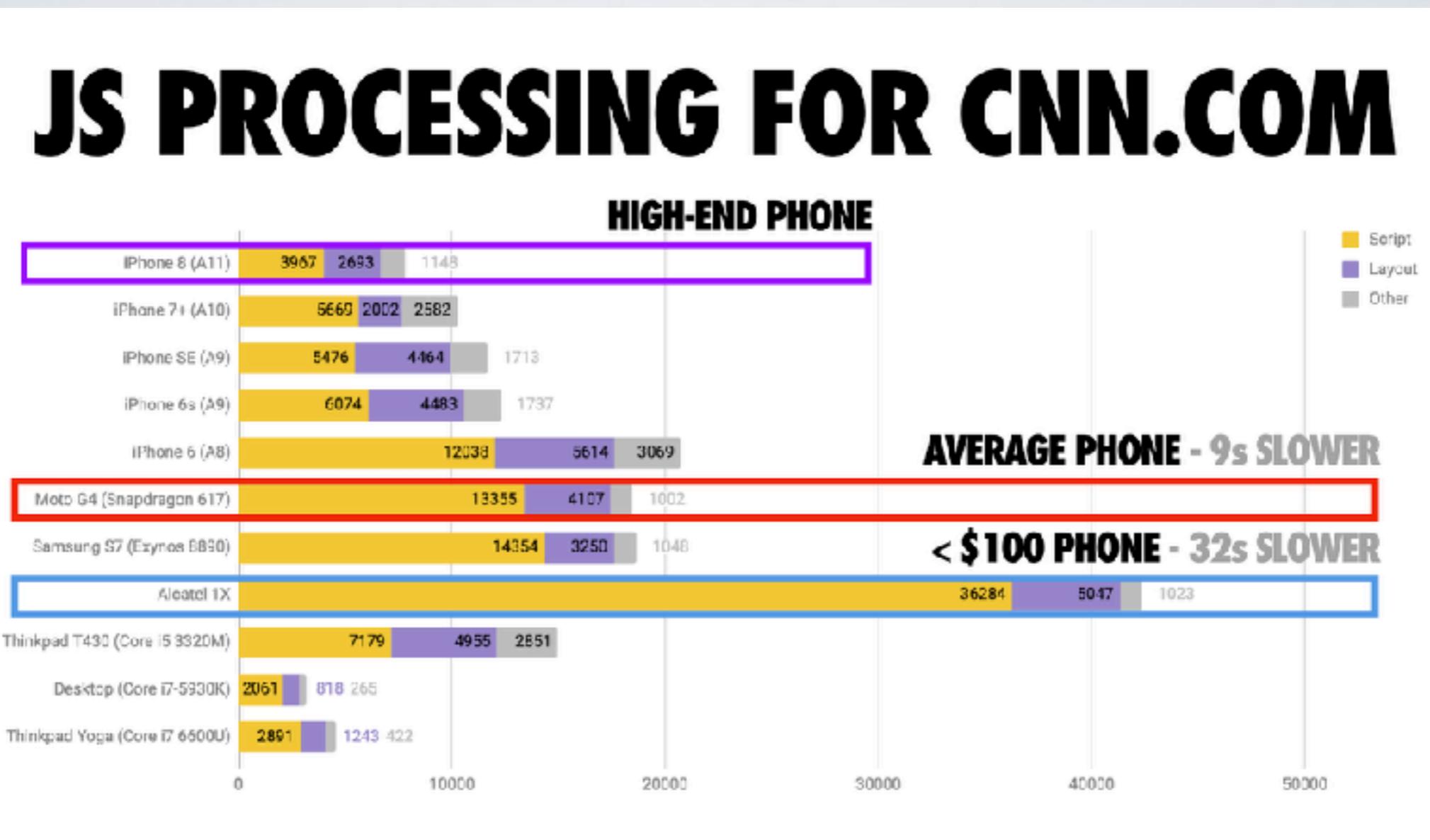
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http://thedomain:80/api/data/first

Network Cost

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The Cost of JavaScript



For mobile, aim for a JS budget of < 170KB minified/compressed.

Server Side Rendering

Traditional SPA:



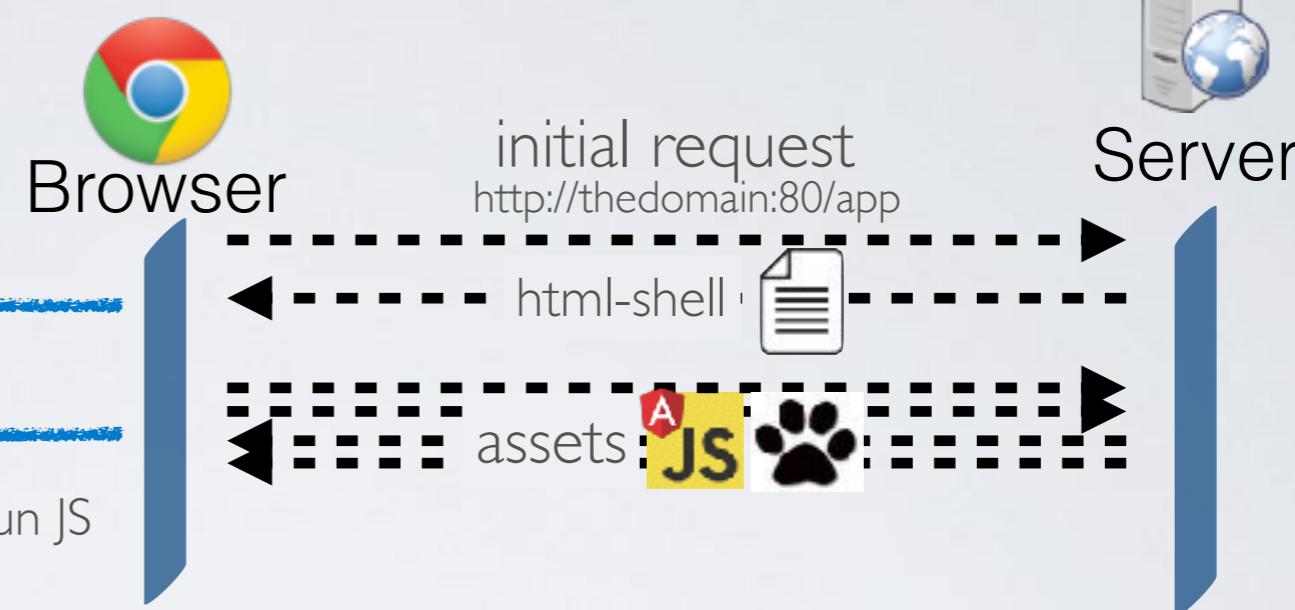
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html-shell
is displayed



Angular renders
the page



Enabling Server Side Rendering:



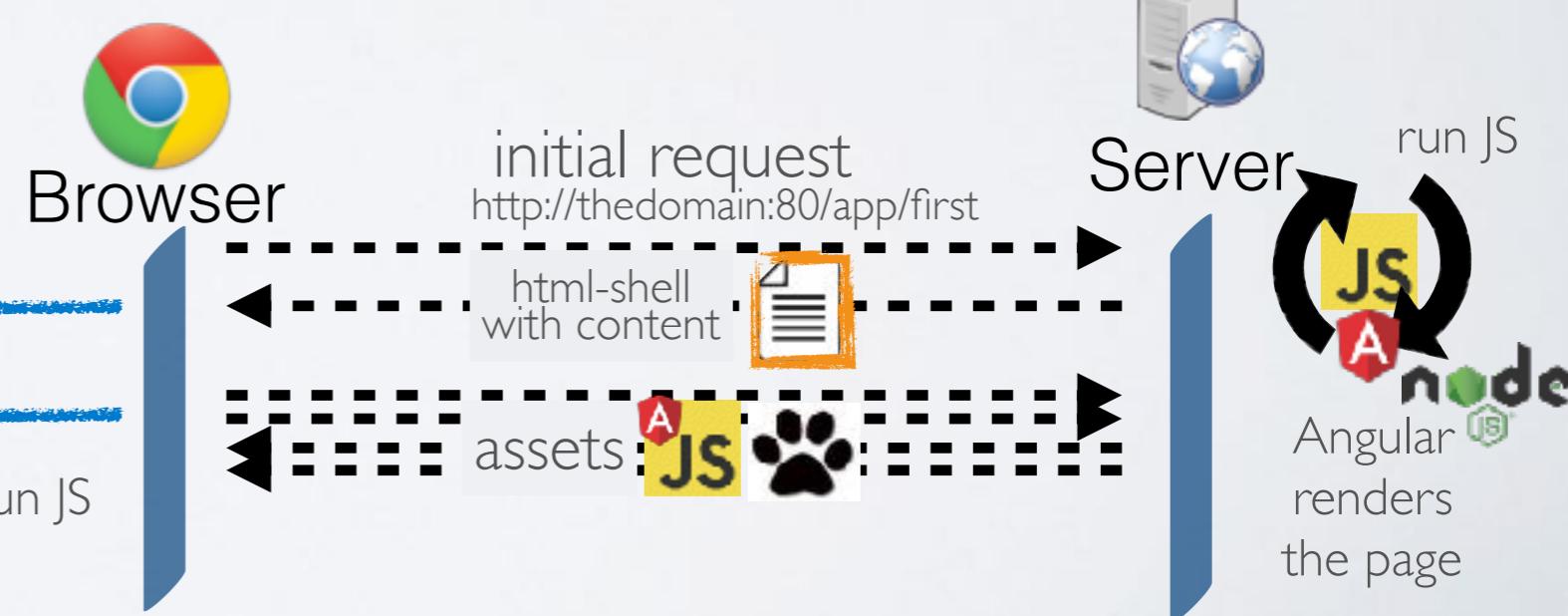
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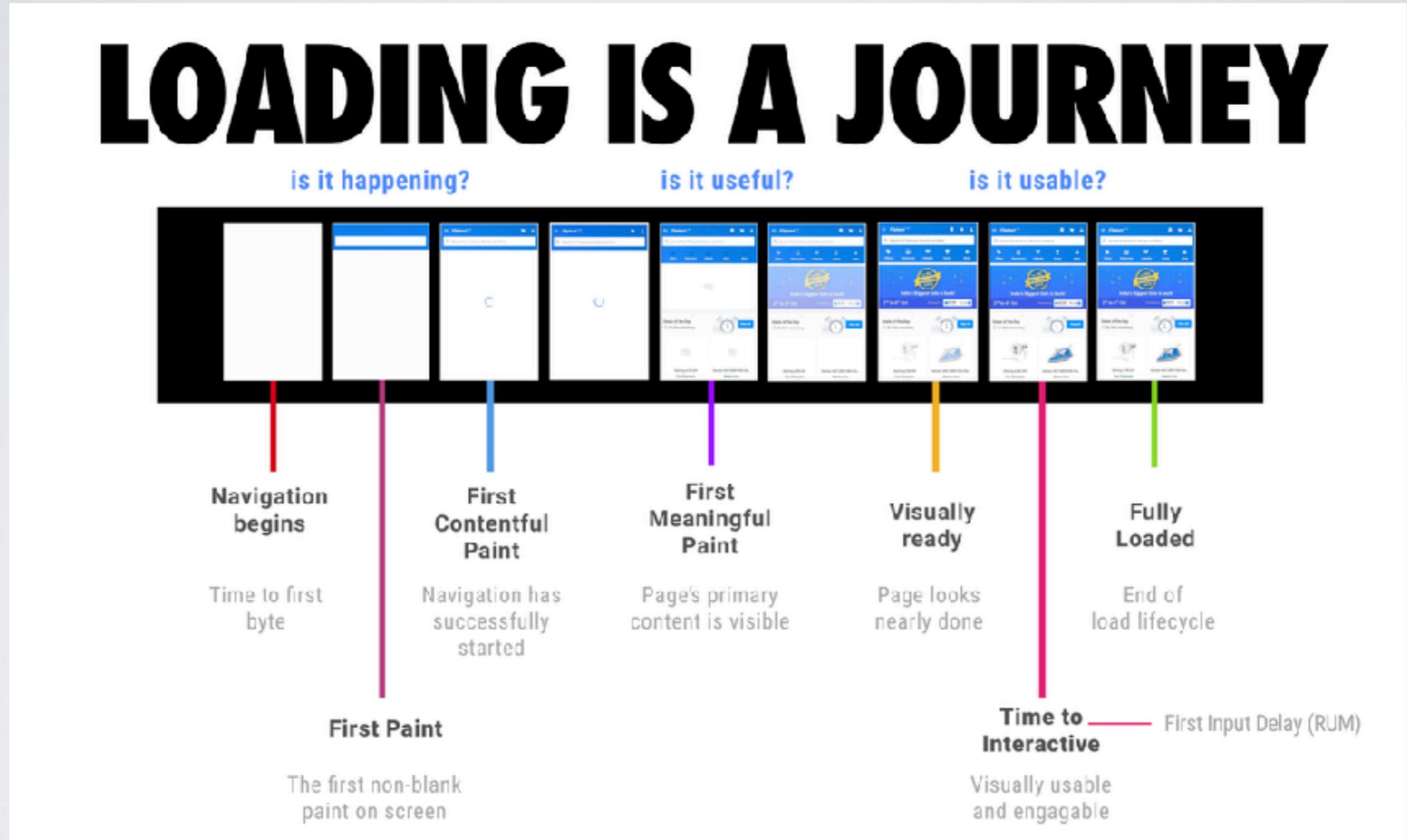
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Angular is
bootstrapped
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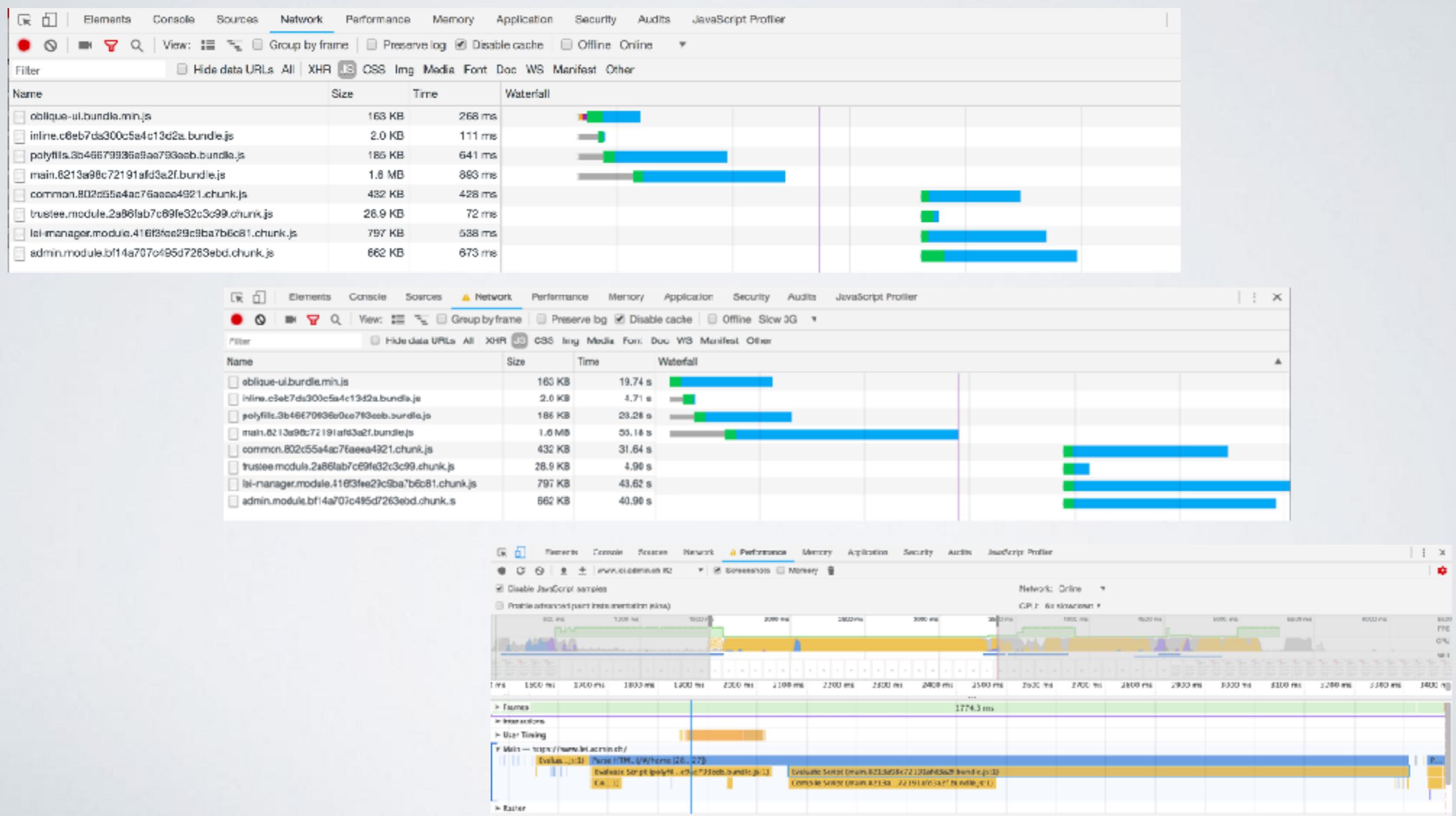


Time to Paint vs. Time to Interactive



DEMO:

<https://www.lei.admin.ch/>



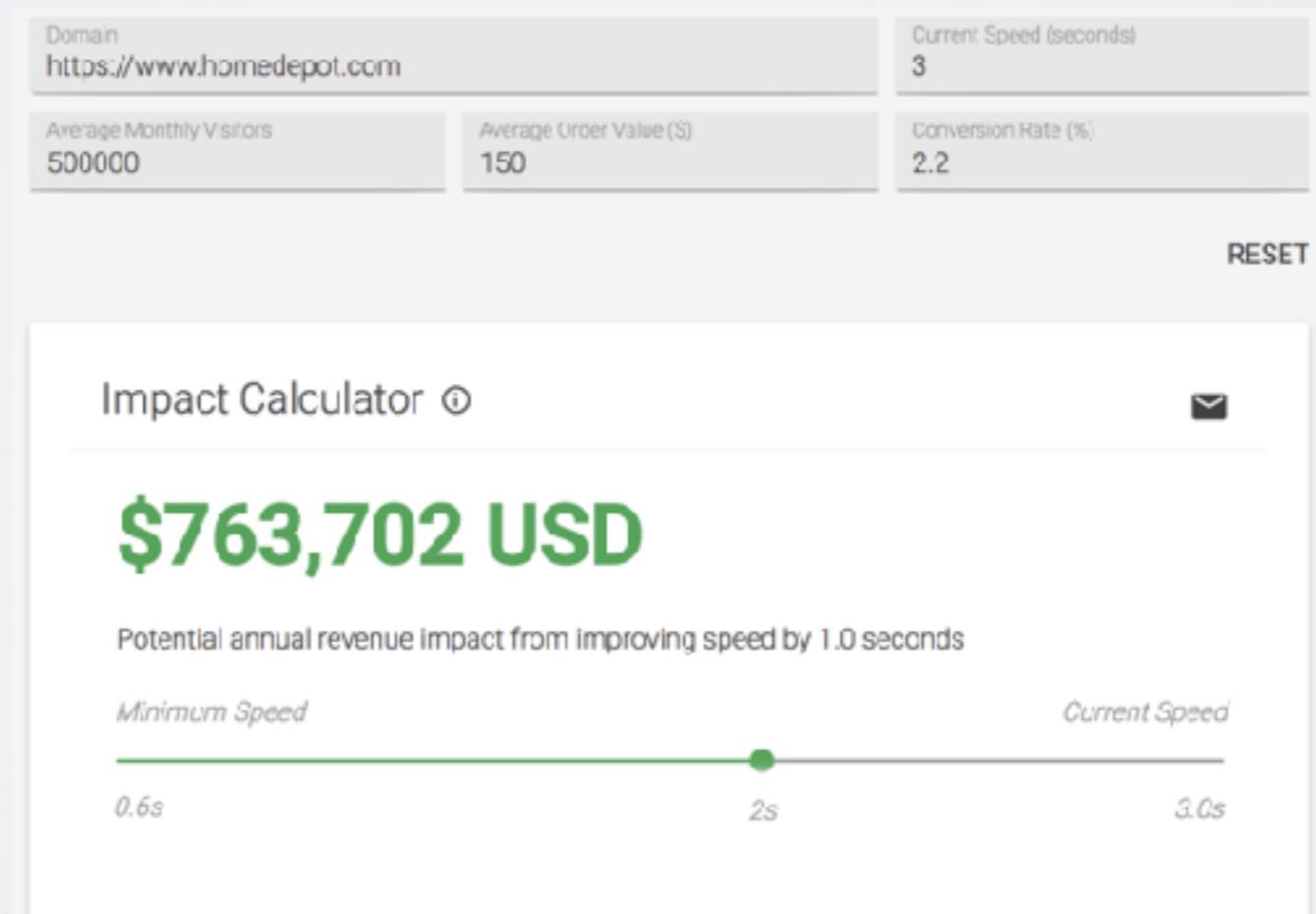
Speed == Money

Amazon did tests that showed they would lose \$1.6 BILLION every year if they slowed down by just one second.

<https://www.fastcompany.com/1825005/how-one-second-could-cost-amazon-16-billion-sales>

Walmart Study: For every 100 ms of improvement, they grew incremental revenue by up to 1%.

<https://blog.radware.com/applicationdelivery/wpo/2014/04/web-page-speed-affect-conversions-infographic/>



<https://www.thinkwithgoogle.com/feature/mobile/>

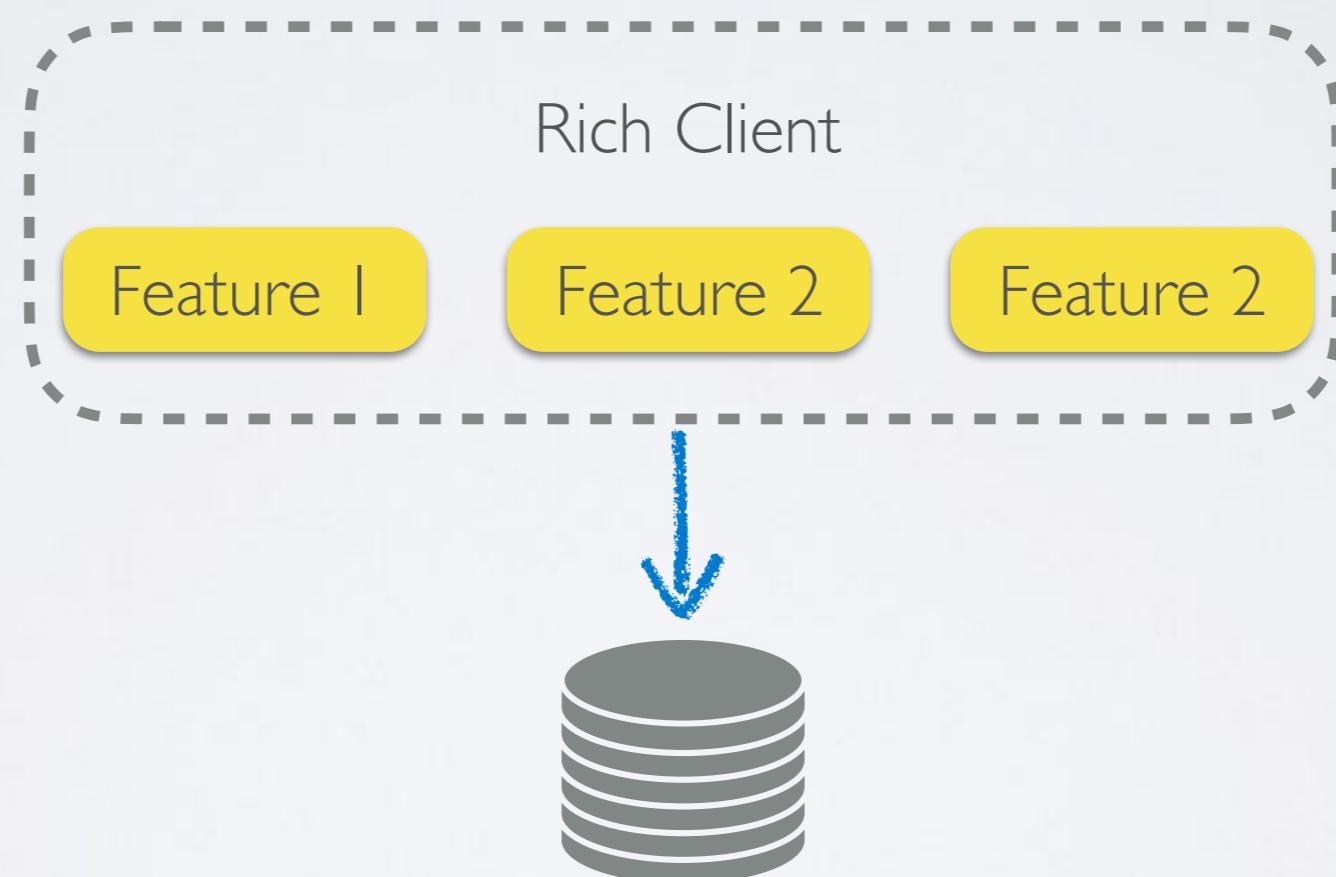


Enterprise Applications

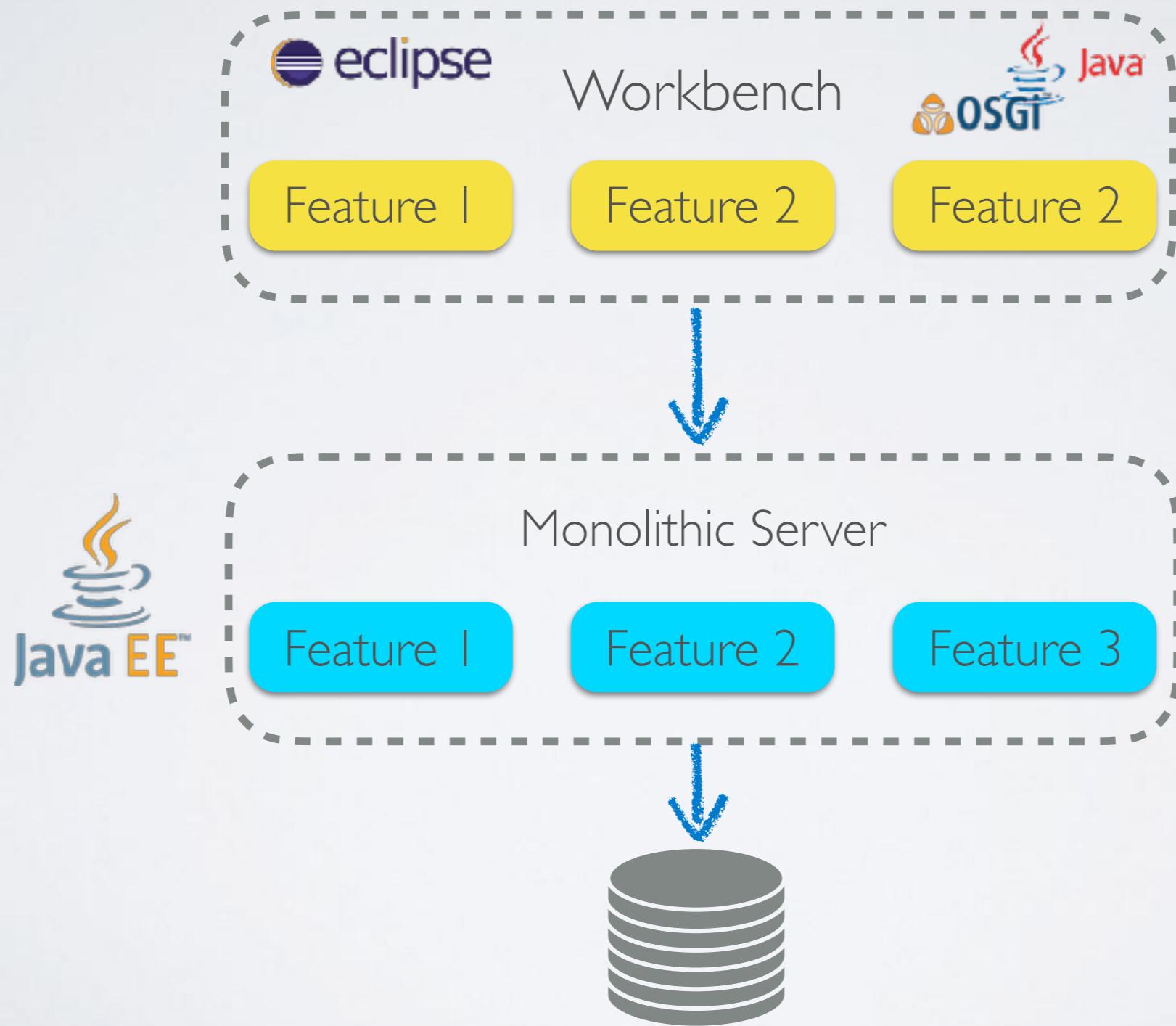
History of Enterprise Apps

- Rich Clients accessing the DB
- Server-Side Web with multiple Domains
- Moving to SPA -> enables Microservices
- Eclipse RCP "Workbenches" -> Moving to Web

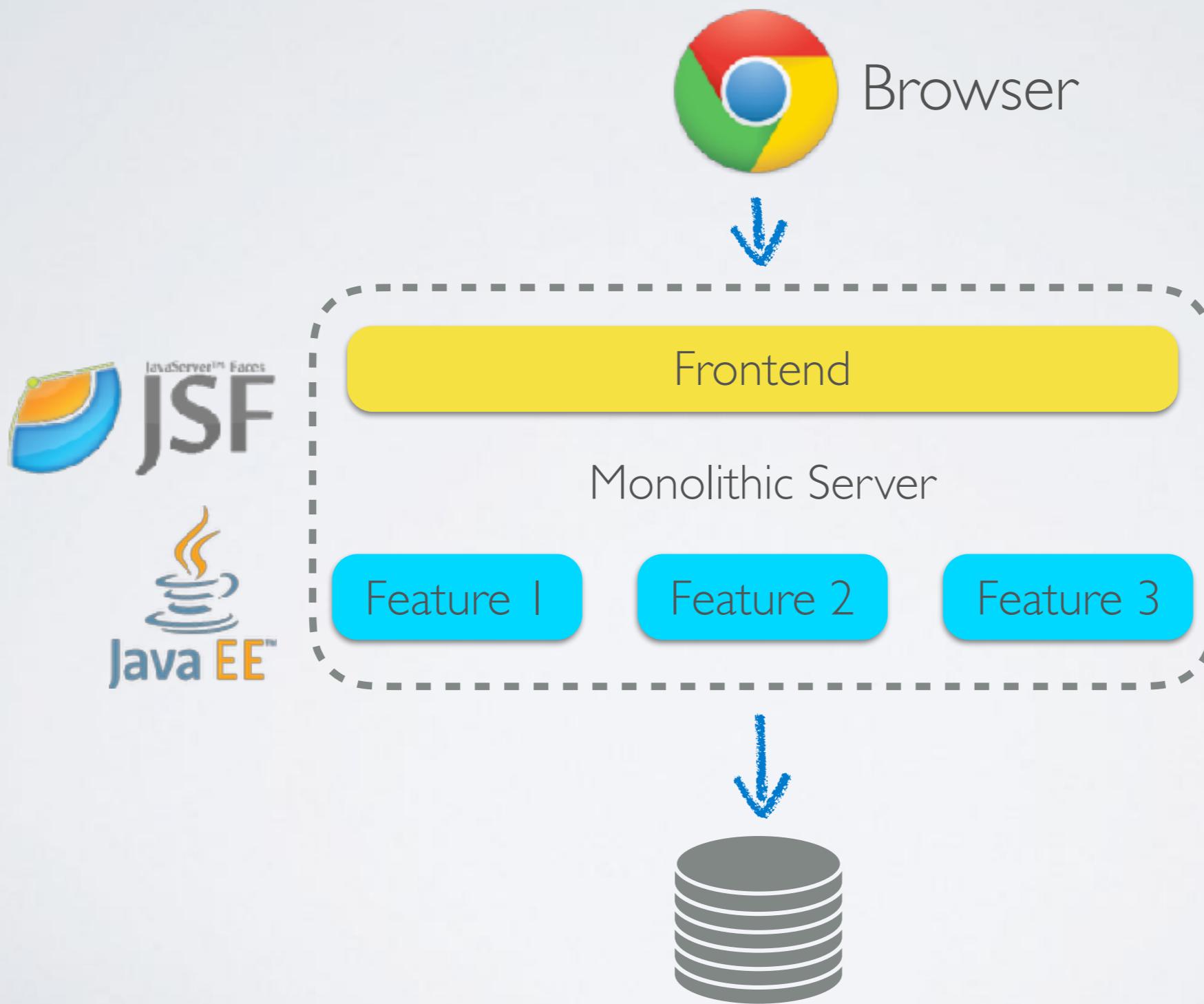
The Fat Client



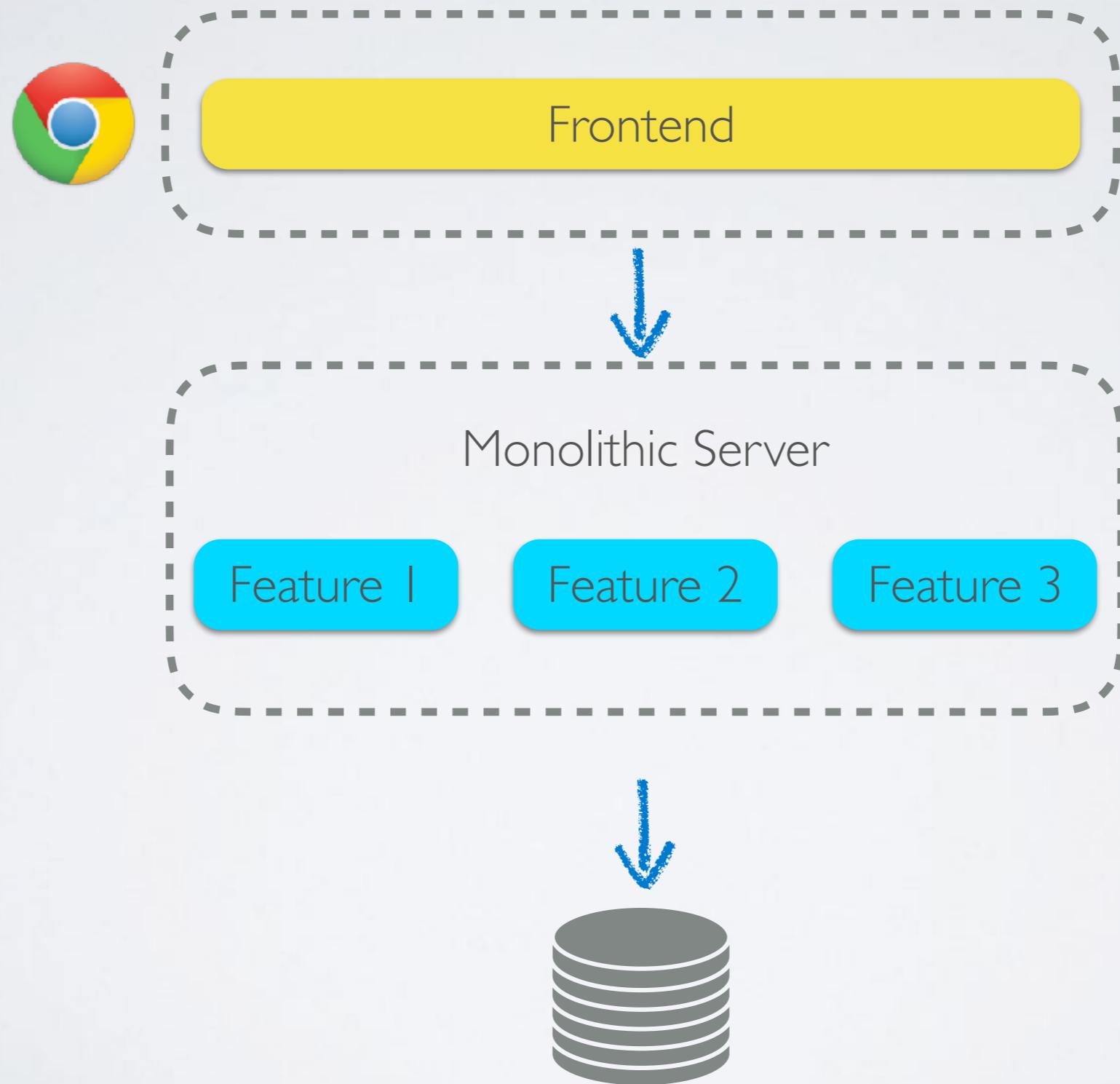
Workbench & Monolith



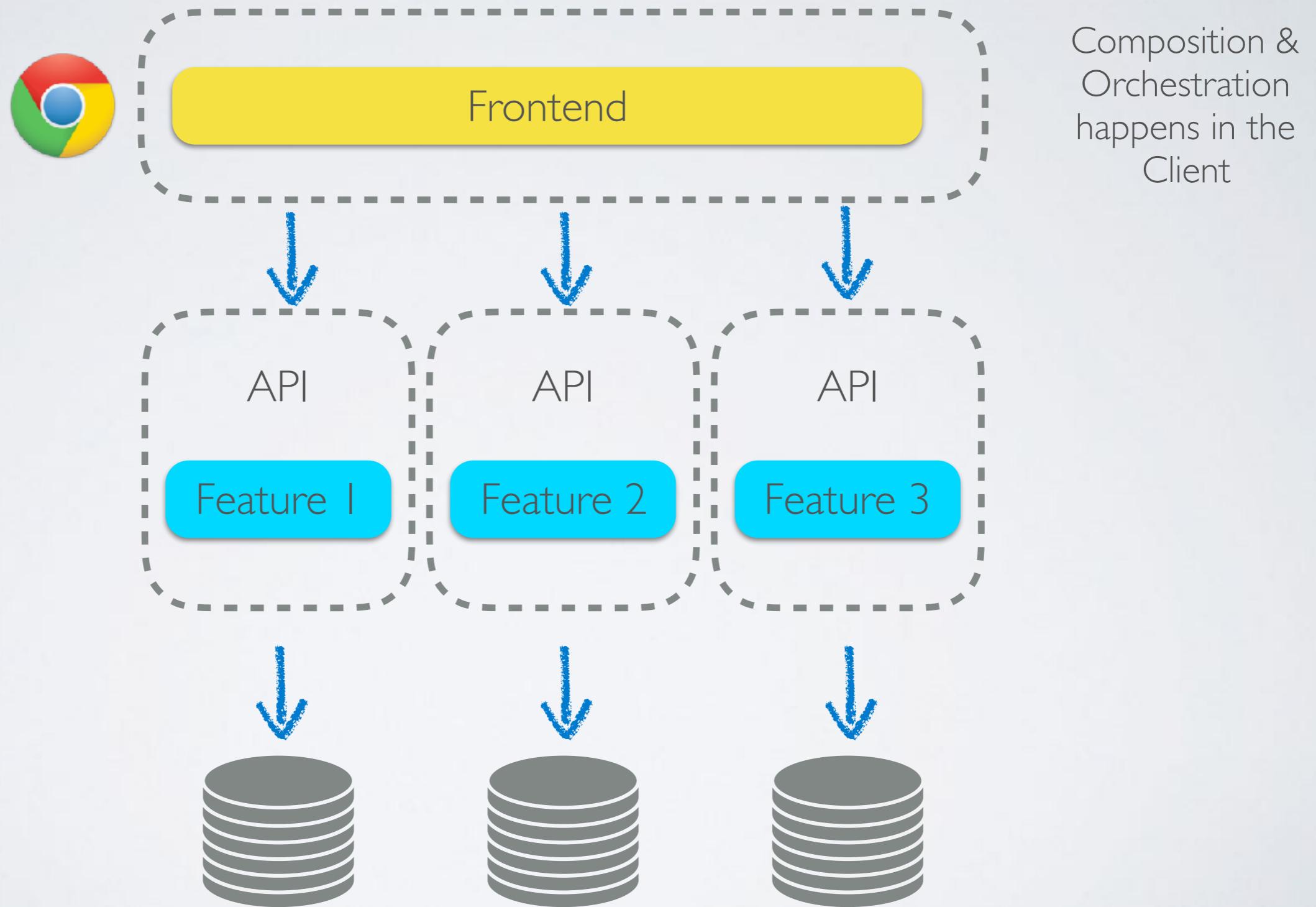
Traditional Web Monolith



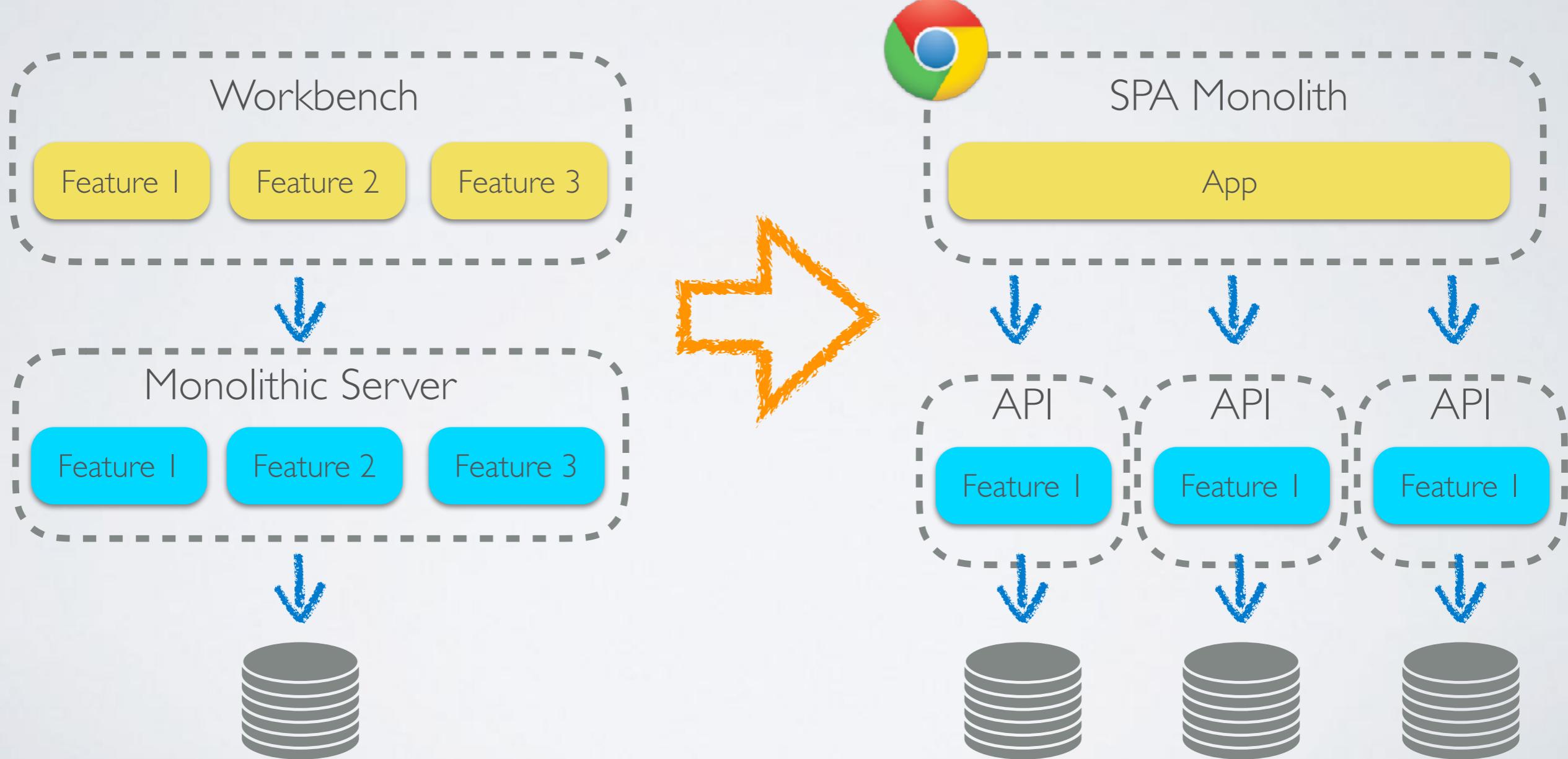
SPA Monolith

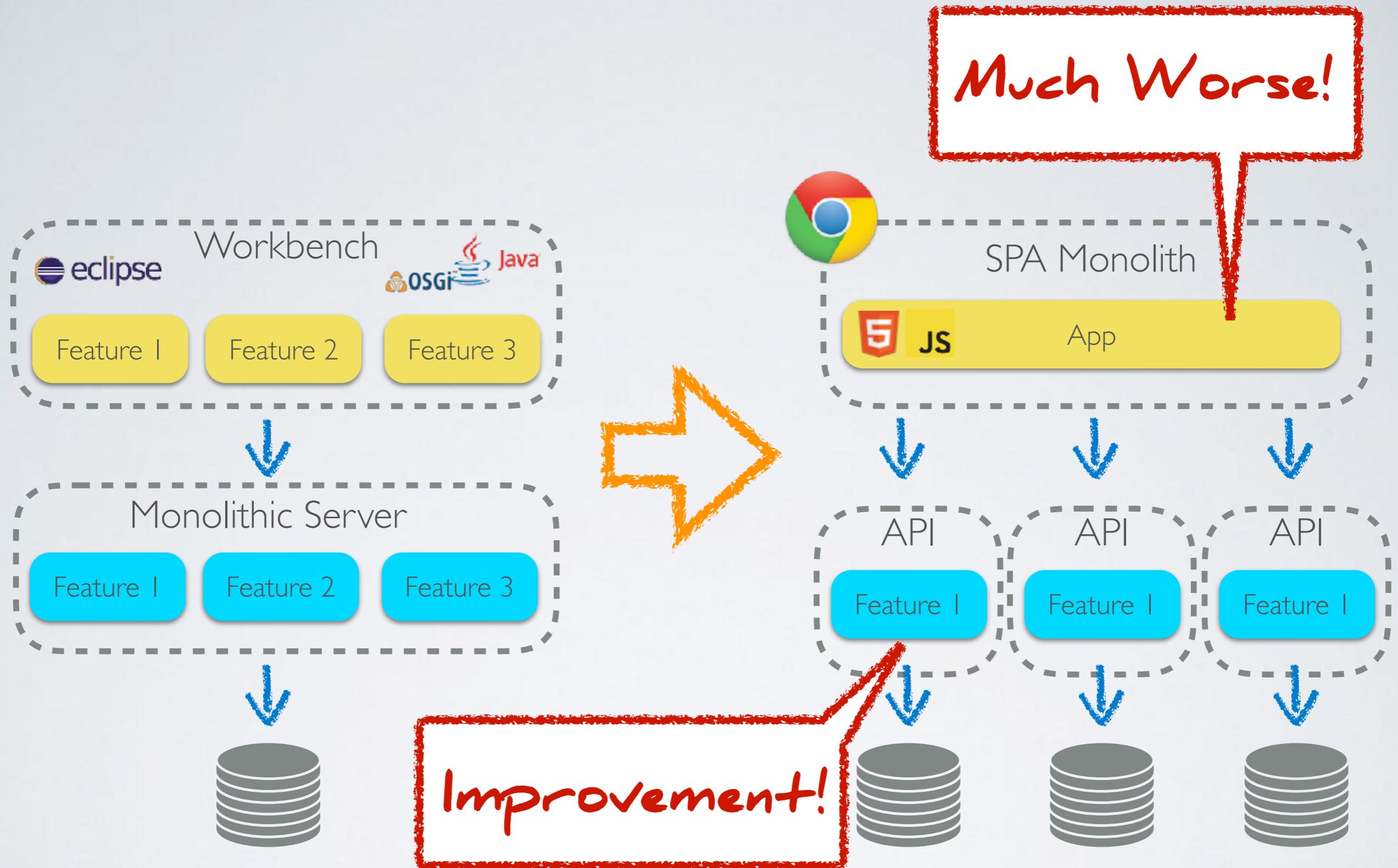


SPA Monolith & Microservices



Rich Client Migrations: The Rise of the Monoliths

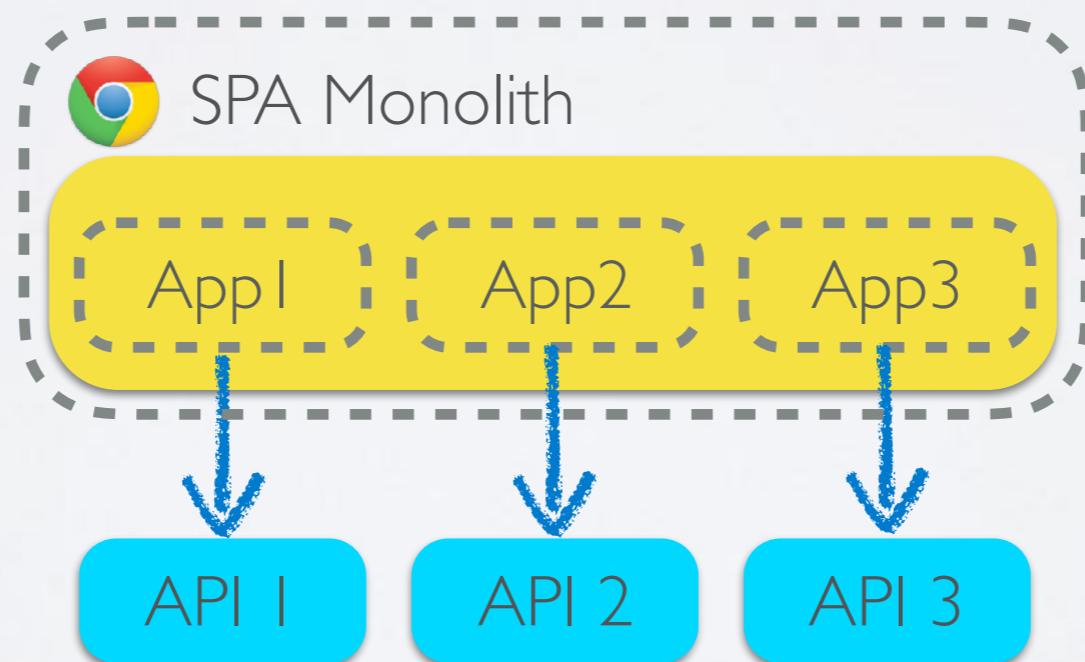




Beware of the Monolith

Unfortunately, we've seen many teams create front-end monoliths - a single, large and sprawling browser application - on top of their back-end services.

- ThoughtWorks Technology Radar



Problems of the Frontend Monolith

- Performance
 - > size is still relevant for web applications!
- Coupling & Dependencies
 - preventing change / agility / time to market
 - preventing effective/simple organization
(effective end-to-end delivery, self organizing teams ...)

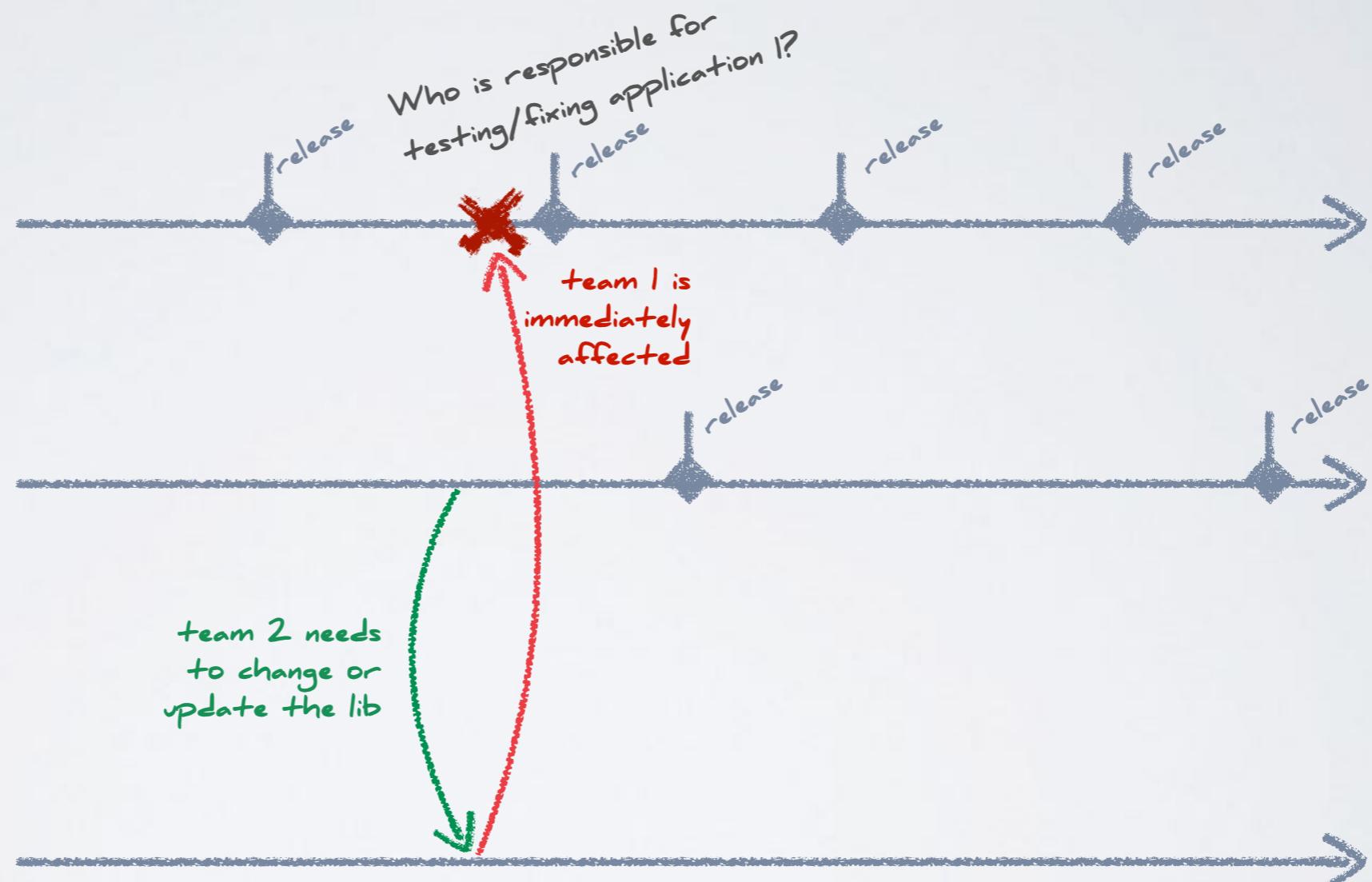
Coupling / Lock-Step Releases

"Think about the granularity of development & deployment artifacts"

Application 1
- implemented by team 1
- driven by org-unit 1

Application 2
- implemented by team 2
- driven by org-unit 2

shared lib
- inhouse lib
- 3rd party lib
(ie. Angular, React)



The consequence is coupling between App 1 and App 2:

- teams have to coordinate changes to the shared lib.
- development & release schedules of applications are coupled

Problems of the Frontend Monolith

- The web is traditionally not made for complex applications
 - global scope / no isolation / no modularization concepts
 - extremely dynamic (typing, monkey patching ...)
 - browser differences
- Frequent technology changes
 - core technologies are very backwards compatible
 - ecosystem moves at break-neck speed

The Bad Parts





I Am Devloper

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Following

Being a JavaScript developer in 2014 is like speed dating.

45 seconds with each framework before you have to re-write.



...

RETWEETS

1,104

FAVORITES

637



8:25 AM - 16 Dec 2014



CommitStrip.com

A close-up portrait of a man with dark, wavy hair. He has a serious, contemplative expression, looking slightly to his left. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights on his forehead and hair, while the rest of his face and the background are in shadow. The background appears to be a dark, textured surface.

The first rule of huge
enterprise applications is:
You do not build huge enterprise
applications.

A photograph of a group of shirtless men standing together in a dark, moody setting. They are all looking towards the camera with serious expressions. The lighting is low, creating deep shadows and highlights on their skin. Some men have small tags or cards pinned to their chests. The background is dark and out of focus.

The second rule of huge
enterprise applications is:
You do not build huge
enterprise applications.



How?

A close-up photograph of a man with short brown hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt. He is looking slightly to his left with a serious expression. The background is dark and out of focus.

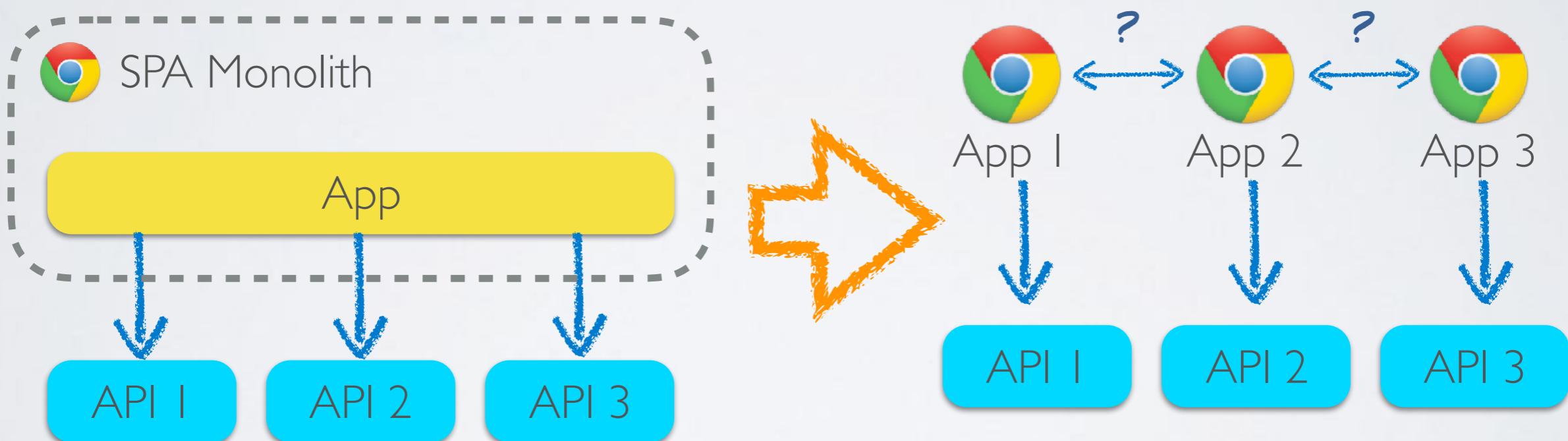
Micro Frontends:

An architectural style where independently deliverable frontend applications are composed into a greater whole.



Micro Frontends

The million dollar question:
Modularizing frontend applications.

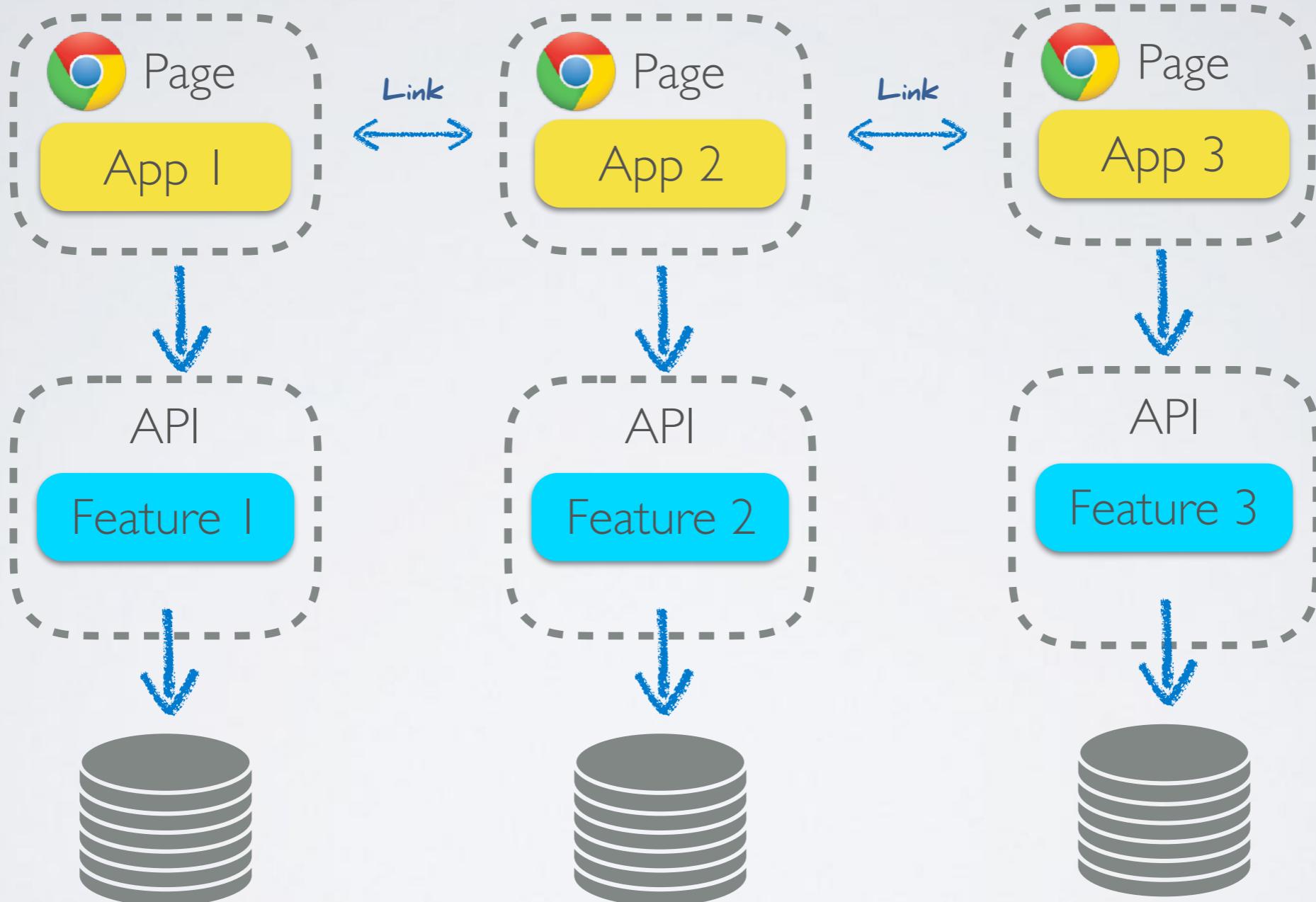


The Link

The magical integration pattern that the web is built upon:

```
<a href="..." >
```

Microfrontend Flavors: Mini SPAs



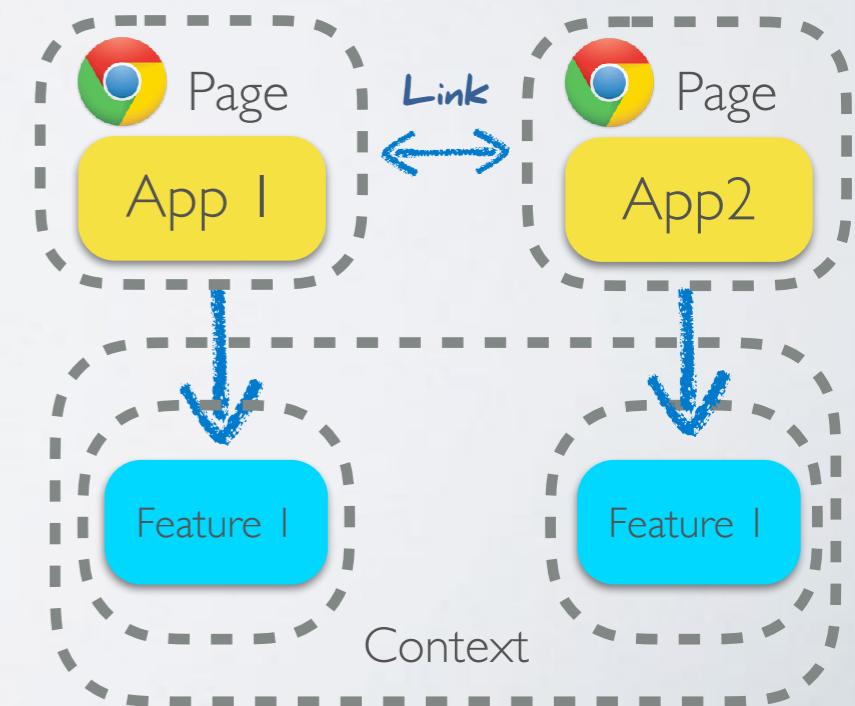
You have complete isolation. But jumping between apps is a full page load!

DEMO

Mini SPAs

Challenges

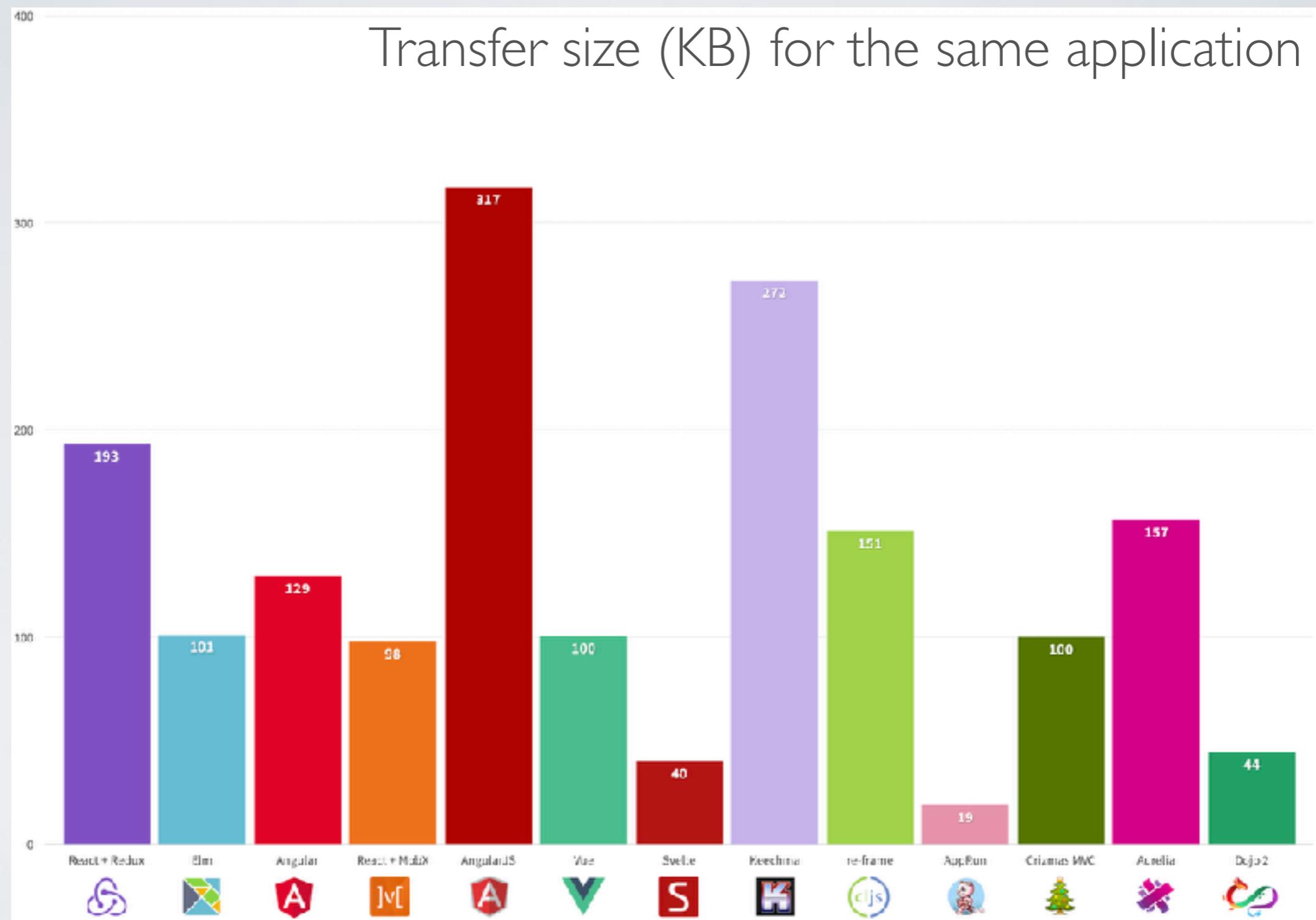
- Performance: Starting the Mini-SPAs has to be very quick!
- Sharing layout & styles for common UX
 - > use reusable technologies for styling -> plain CSS, SASS, less ...
 - > be careful with "framework-specific" styling
- Sharing state / context
 - > query parameters, cookies, http-headers
 - > server side session / context
 - > Local Storage / Indexed DB





Remember: Size does Matter

Frameworks could matter ...

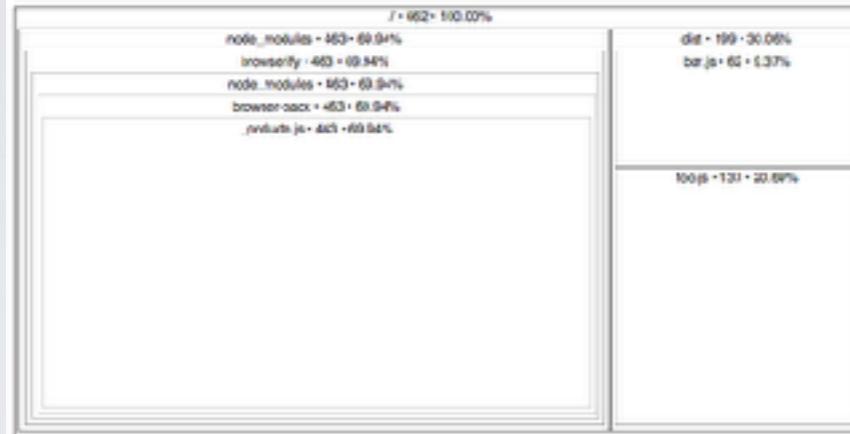


Keep an eye on your bundles!

www.bundlephobia.com

source-map-explorer:

<https://www.npmjs.com/package/source-map-explorer>

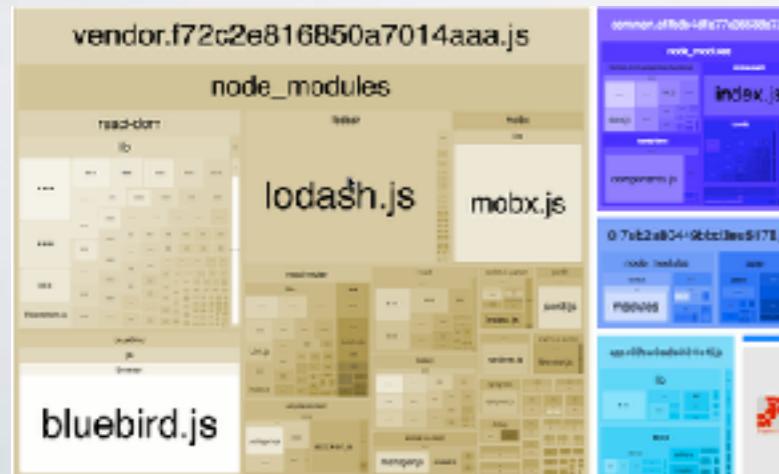


```
npm install -g source-map-explorer
```

```
ng build --prod --source-map  
source-map-explorer dist/ng-app/main.XYZ.js
```

webpack-bundle-analyzer:

<https://github.com/webpack-contrib/webpack-bundle-analyzer>



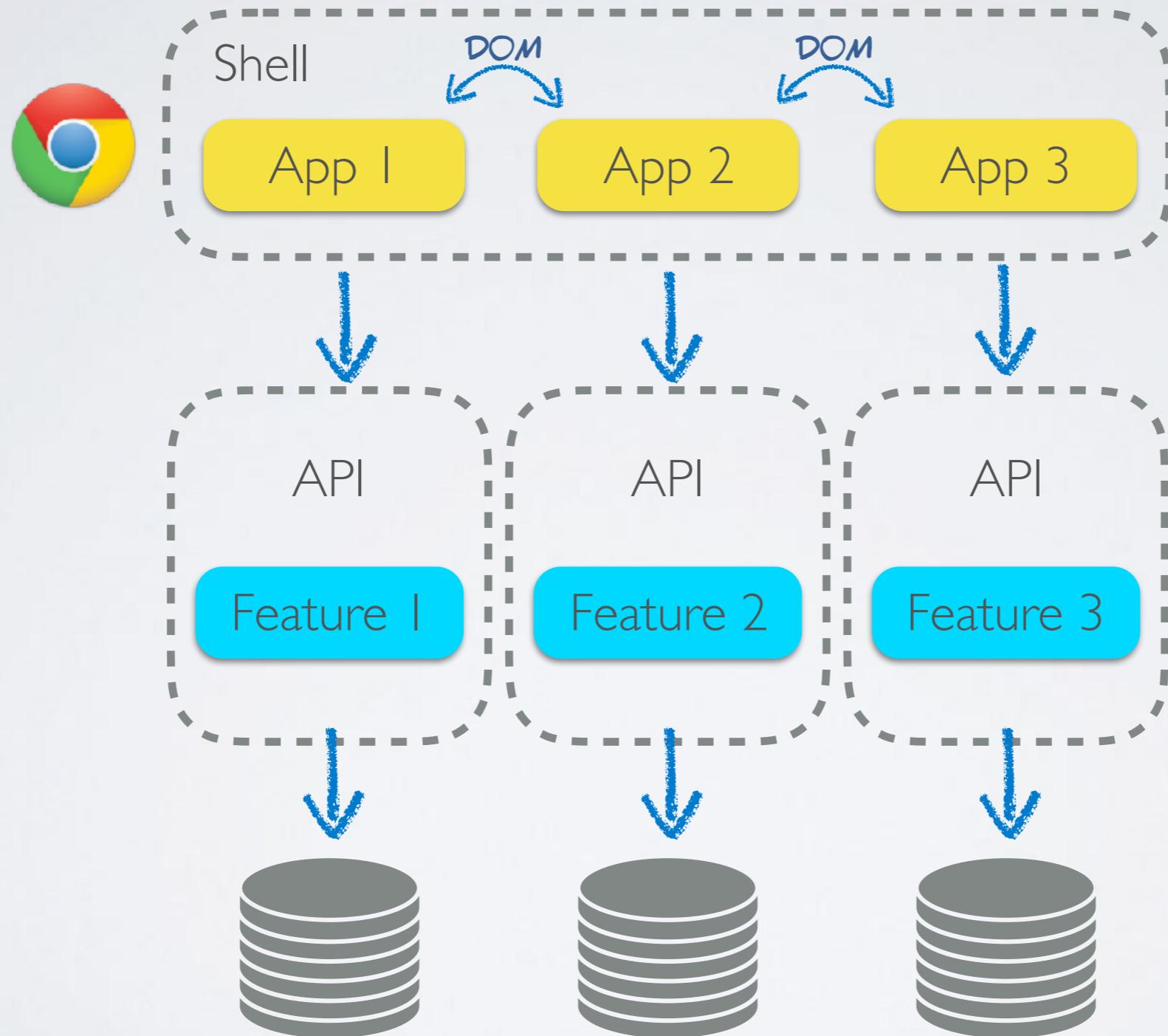
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npm install -g webpack-bundle-analyzer
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ng build --prod --stats-json  
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A close-up portrait of a man with dark hair and blue eyes, looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. He is wearing a light-colored shirt.

But I need a single SPA!

Microfrontend Flavors: Single SPA



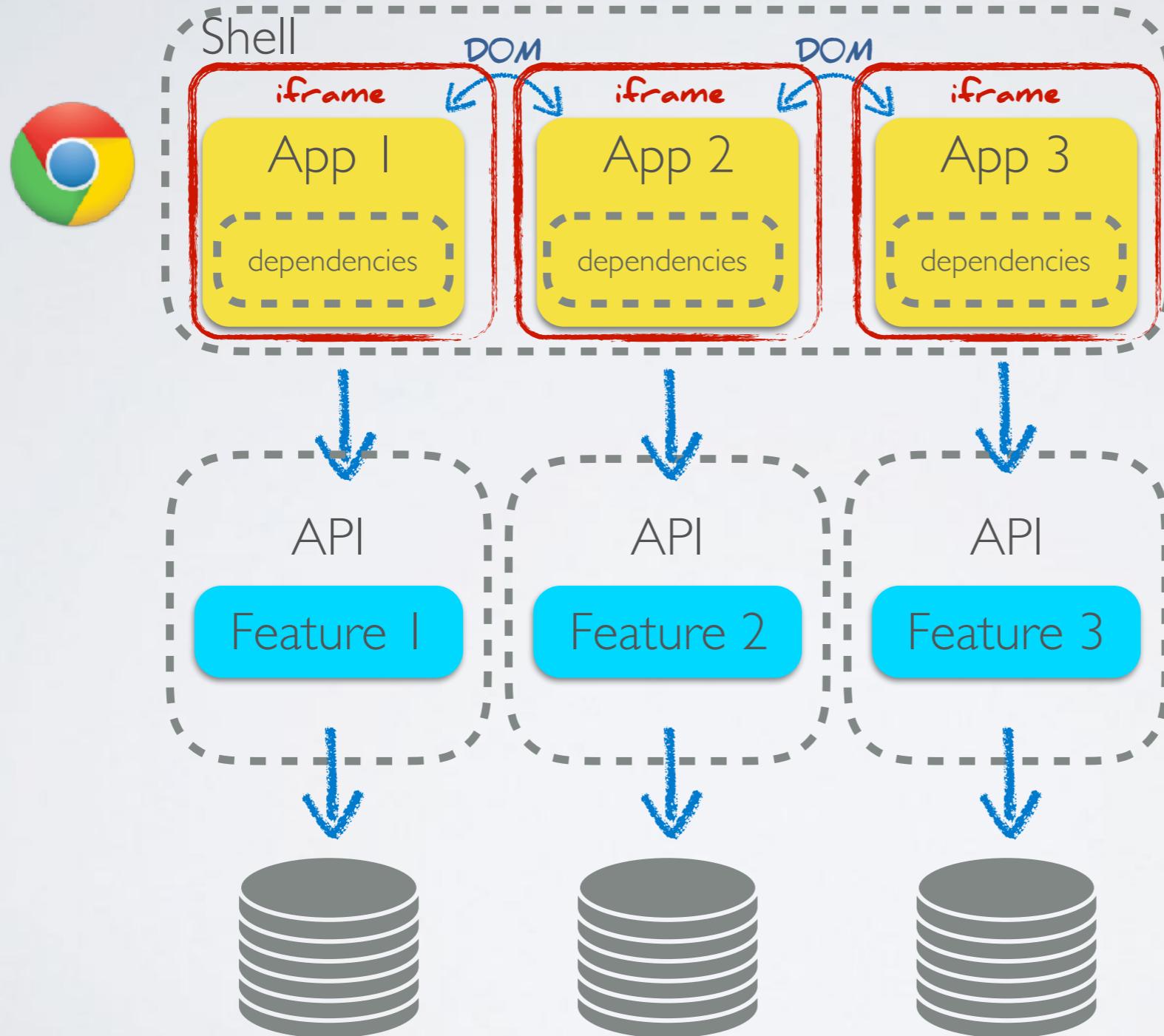
All applications live on the same DOM.

App-communication happens over the DOM.

You will need a shell

- Top-level routing
- Lazy loading of apps (child SPAs)
- Inter-SPA communication
- Sharing a context

Single SPA: iframes



Analogy: complete classloader isolation.

Browser can leverage caching, but for each app all dependencies have to be parsed, compiled and executed.

Option: "Child SPAs" in iframe

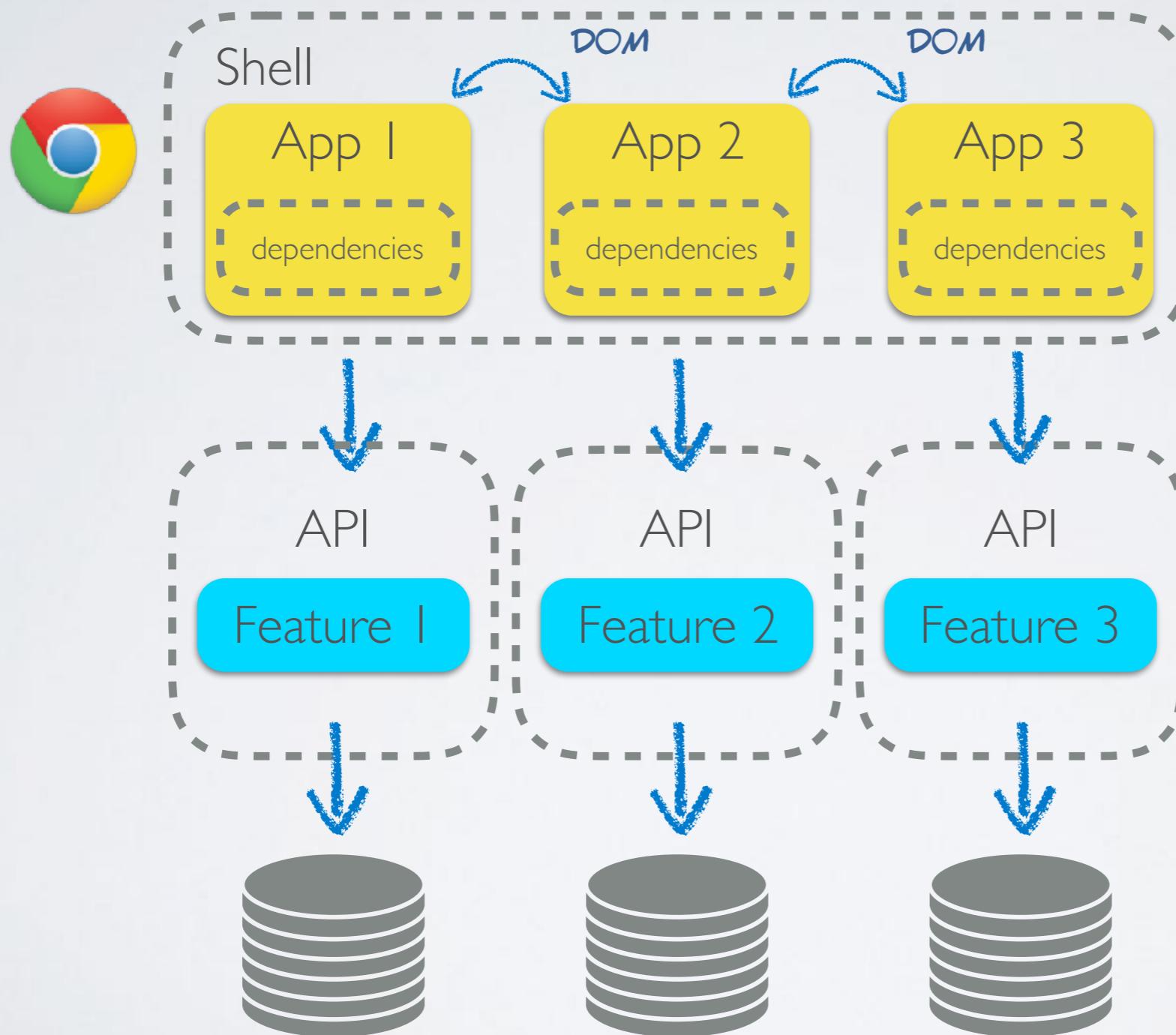
Advantages:

- true isolation
- integration of "non-SPA" applications / sites

Disadvantage:

- No isolation: same global DOM, same scripting context, same global scope
- Responsive layout is difficult
- Router can't access the URL
- Some 3rd party libraries break, since they depend on document events

Single SPA: Isolated



Like "complete classloader isolation", but only if the app & dependencies don't pollute the global scope.
Note: Angular comes with Zone.js, which heavily pollutes the global scope!

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DEMO: Single-Spa

<https://single-spa.js.org/>

Option: Shared DOM

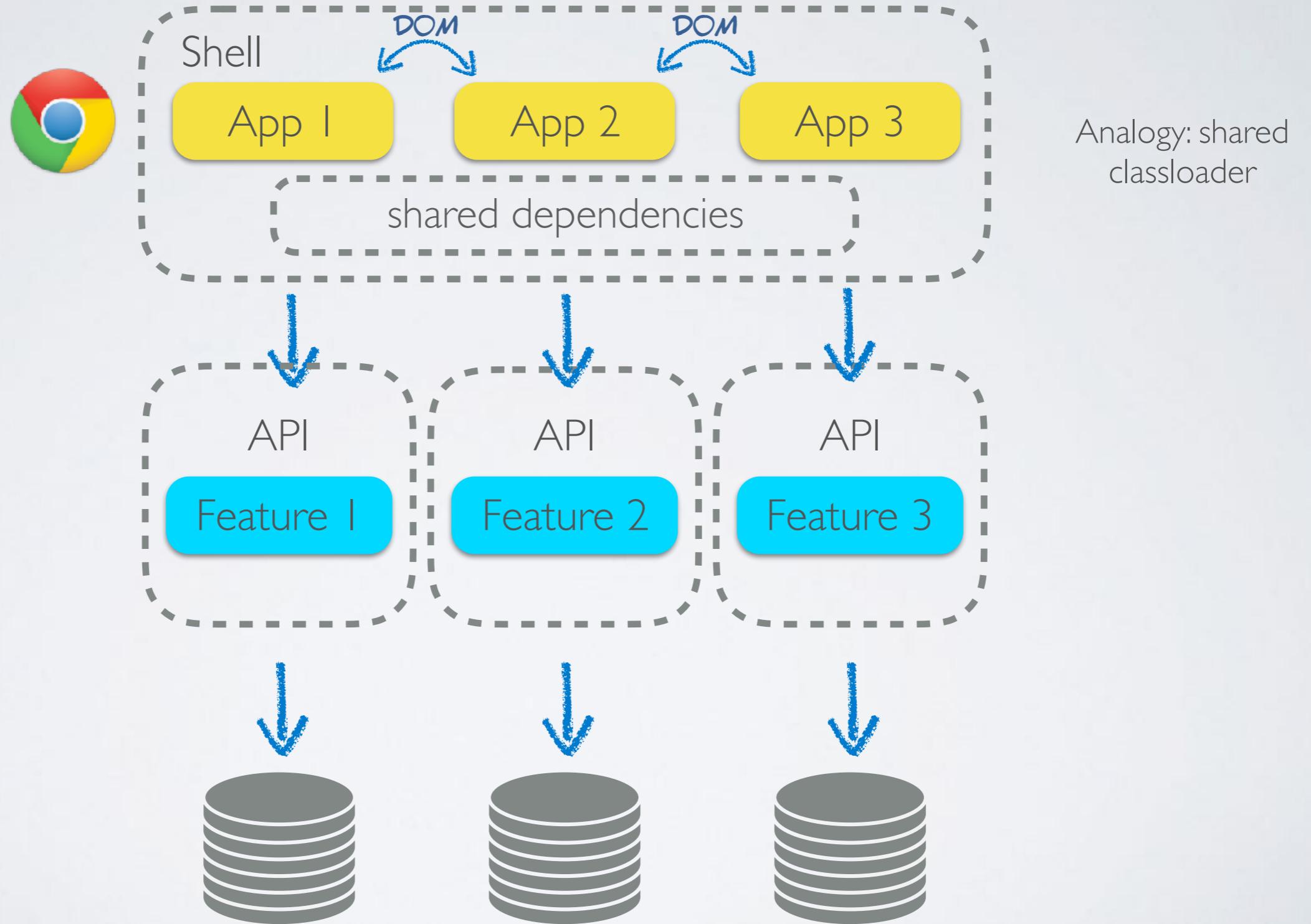
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    <div id="react-app"></div>
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      </example-ng2-app>
    </div>
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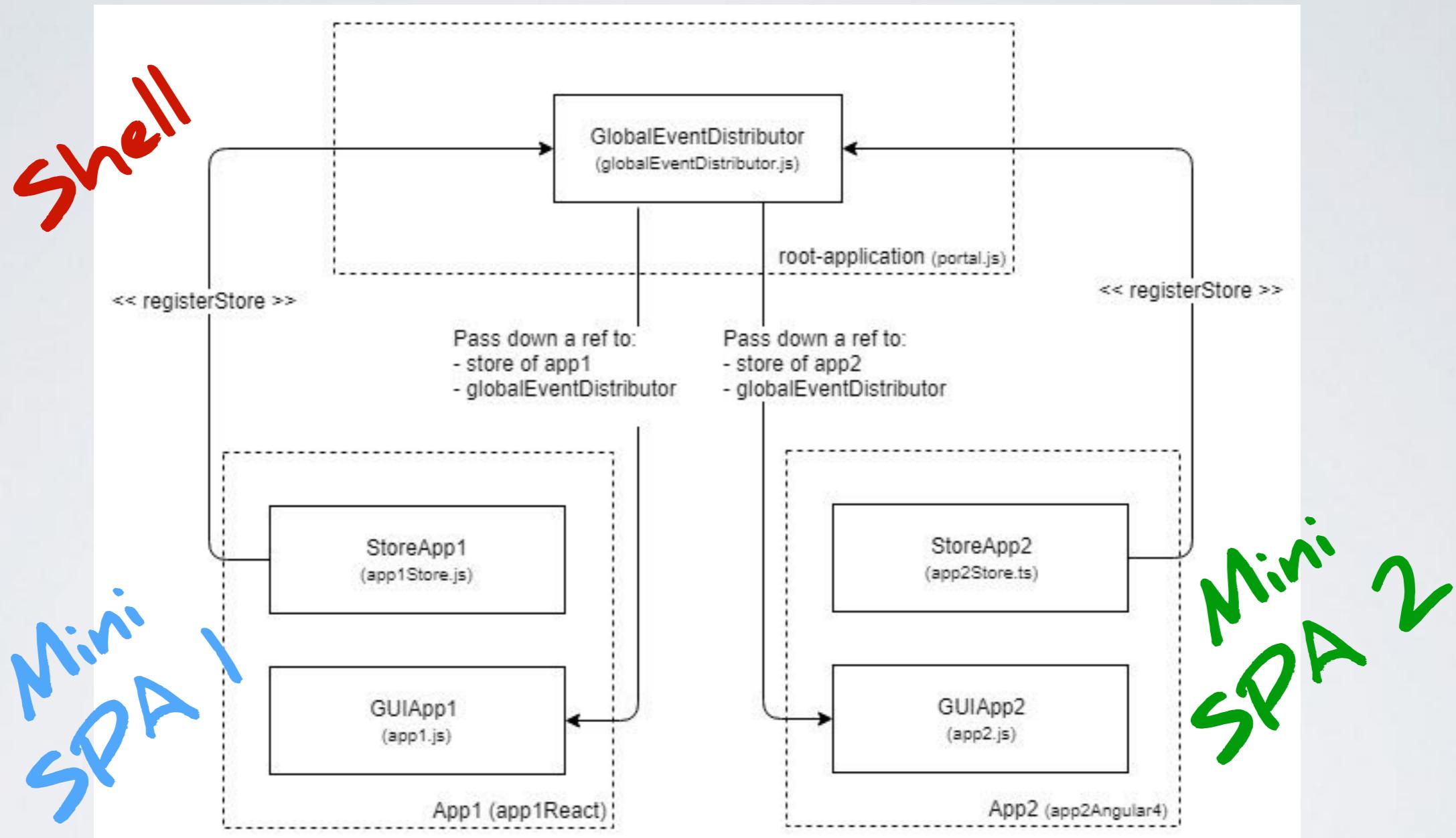
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Single SPA: Shared Dependencies



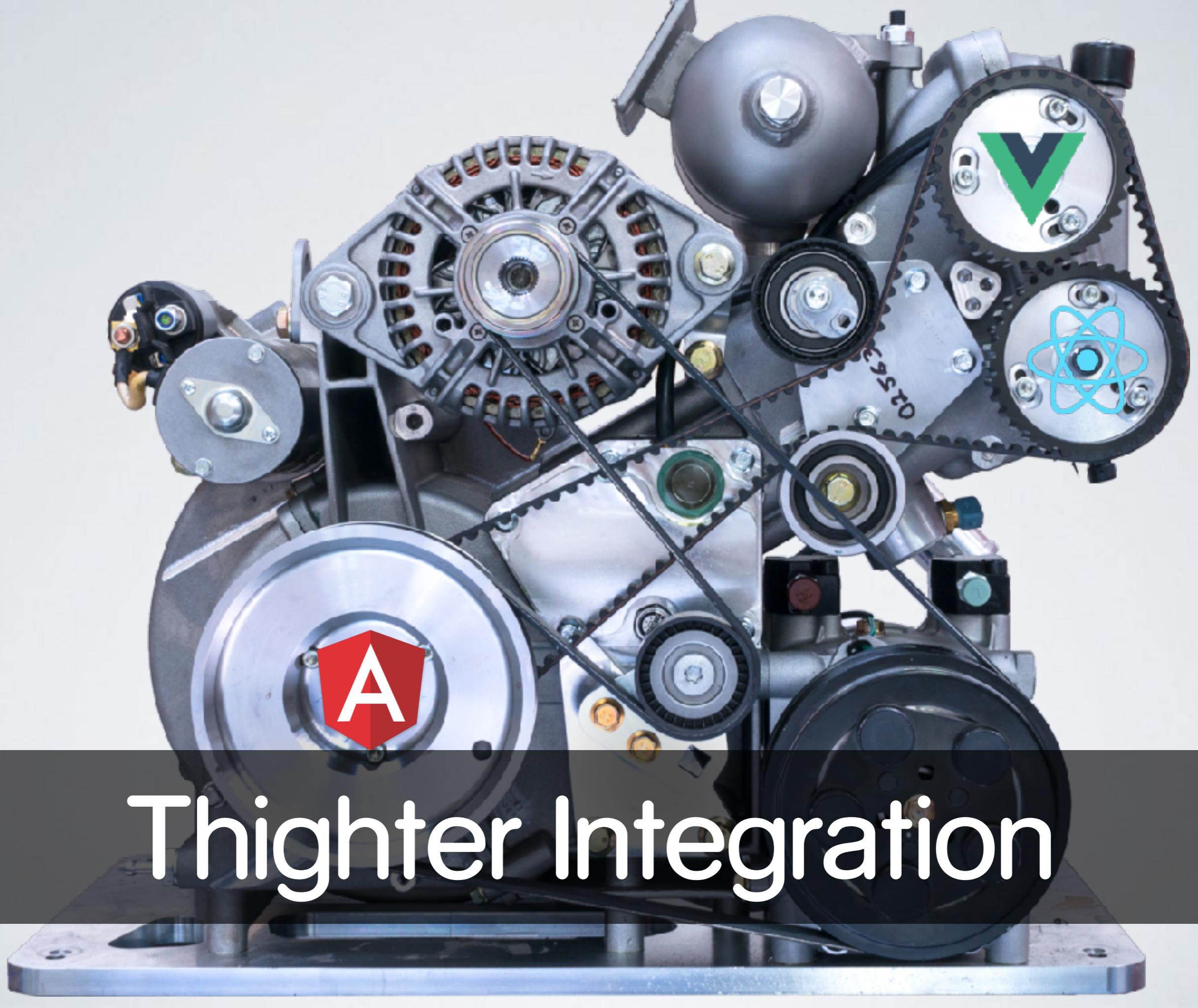
Inter-SPA Communication



```
globalIncrement() {  
    this.globals.globalEventDistributor.dispatch(this.actions.increment());  
}
```

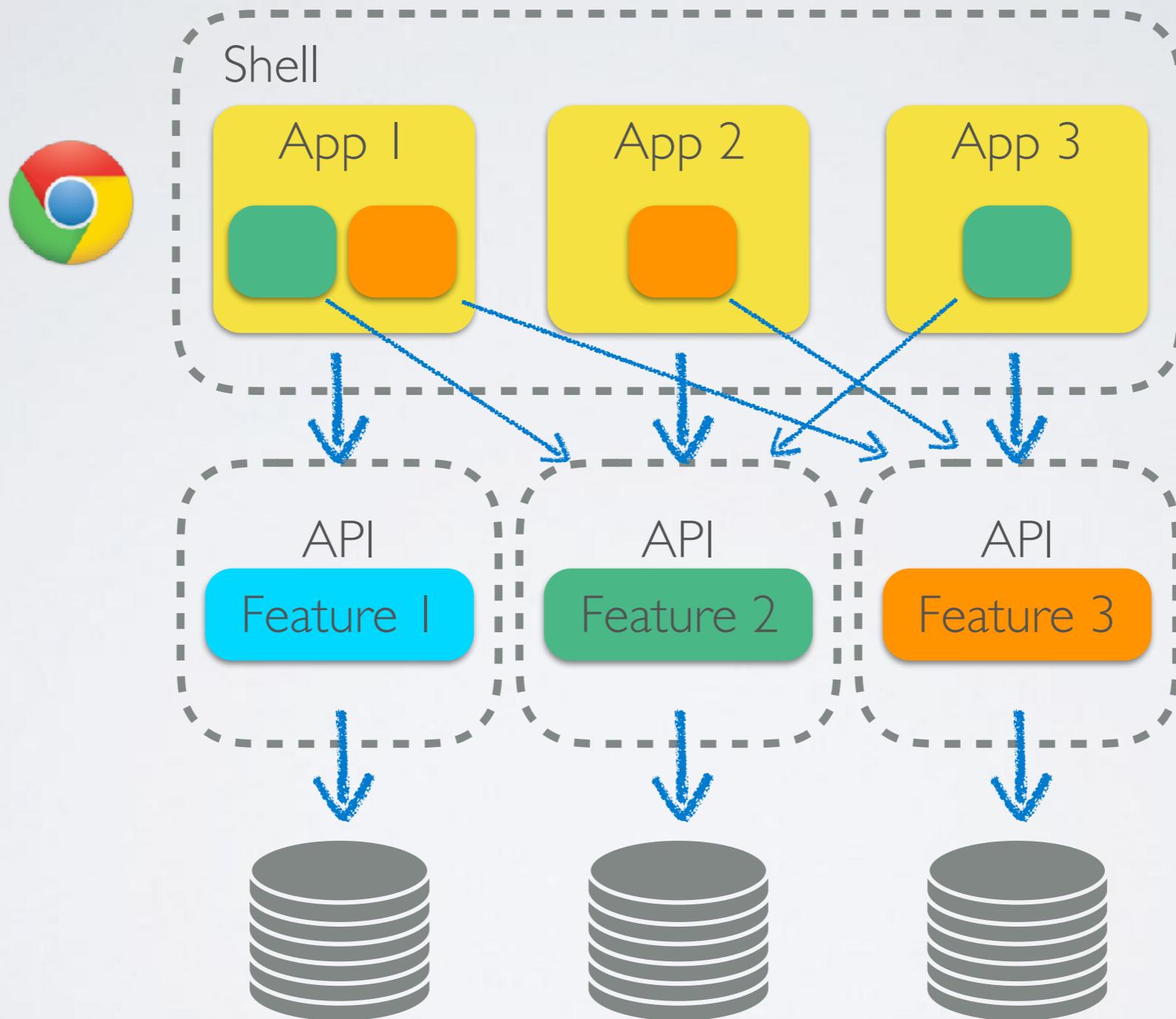
DEMO: Single-Spa

<https://single-spa.js.org/>



Thighter Integration

Frontend Composition





How?



Web Components

WebComponents is a series of browser standards for creating reusable custom elements:

Shadow DOM	Encapsulation
HTML templates	markup that is not initially rendered and can be instantiated.
Custom elements	JavaScript API to define custom elements that can be used in html and their behavior

Custom Elements API:

```
customElements.define('element-details', class extends HTMLElement { ... })
```

JavaScript

html:

```
<div> <element-details></element-details> </div>
```

Browser support:

native: Chrome, Safari

polyfill: Firefox, Edge, IE11

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Web_Components

<https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/Window/customElements>

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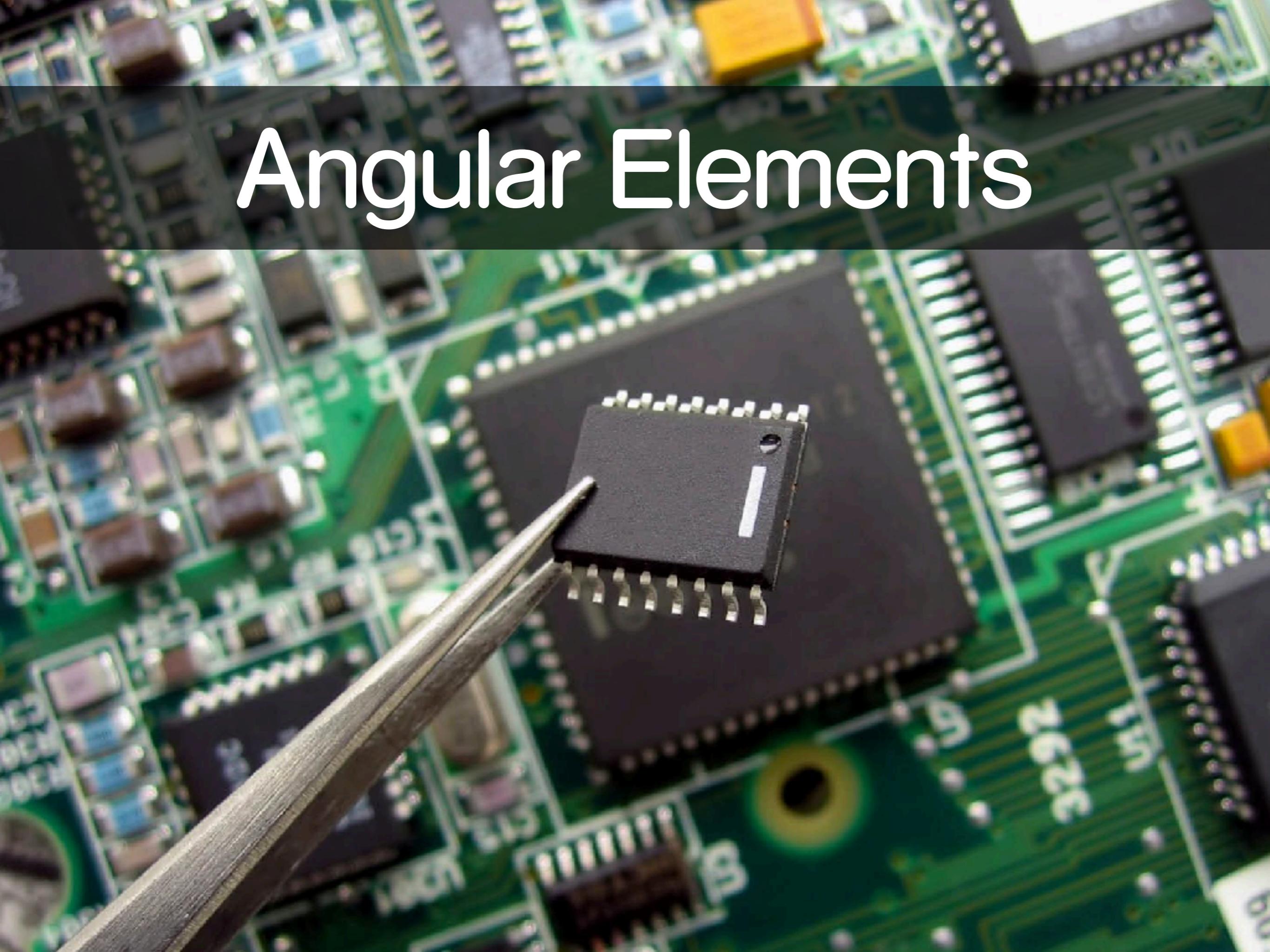
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Angular Elements



Angular Elements

Using Angular components as Web Components.

Available in Angular 6

Angular Elements can transform Angular components into classes that can be registered as custom elements:

```
import { createCustomElement } from '@angular/elements';
import { PopupComponent } from './popup.component';

const PopupElement = createCustomElement(PopupComponent, {injector});

customElements.define('element-details', PopupElement)
```

in any html (also from React JSX and Vue templates):

```
<div> <element-details></element-details> <div>
```

Vue CLI Compilation

Vue CLI 3 can wrap a vue component / app
inside a Web Component

<https://cli.vuejs.org/guide/build-targets.html#web-component>

<https://github.com/vuejs/vue-web-component-wrapper>

Build:

```
vue-cli-service build --target wc --name my-element ./main.js
```

any html:

```
<script src="path/to/my-element.js"></script>
...
<my-element></my-element>
```

Wrapping React

```
import React from 'react';
import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';
import App from './App';

class MyApp extends HTMLElement {
  connectedCallback() {
    const mountPoint = document.createElement('span');
    this.attachShadow({ mode: 'open' }).appendChild(mountPoint);

    const message = this.getAttribute('message');
    ReactDOM.render(<App message={message}>, mountPoint);
  }
}
customElements.define('my-app', MyApp);
```

any html:

```
<my-app message="Hi there!"></my-app>
```

DEMO

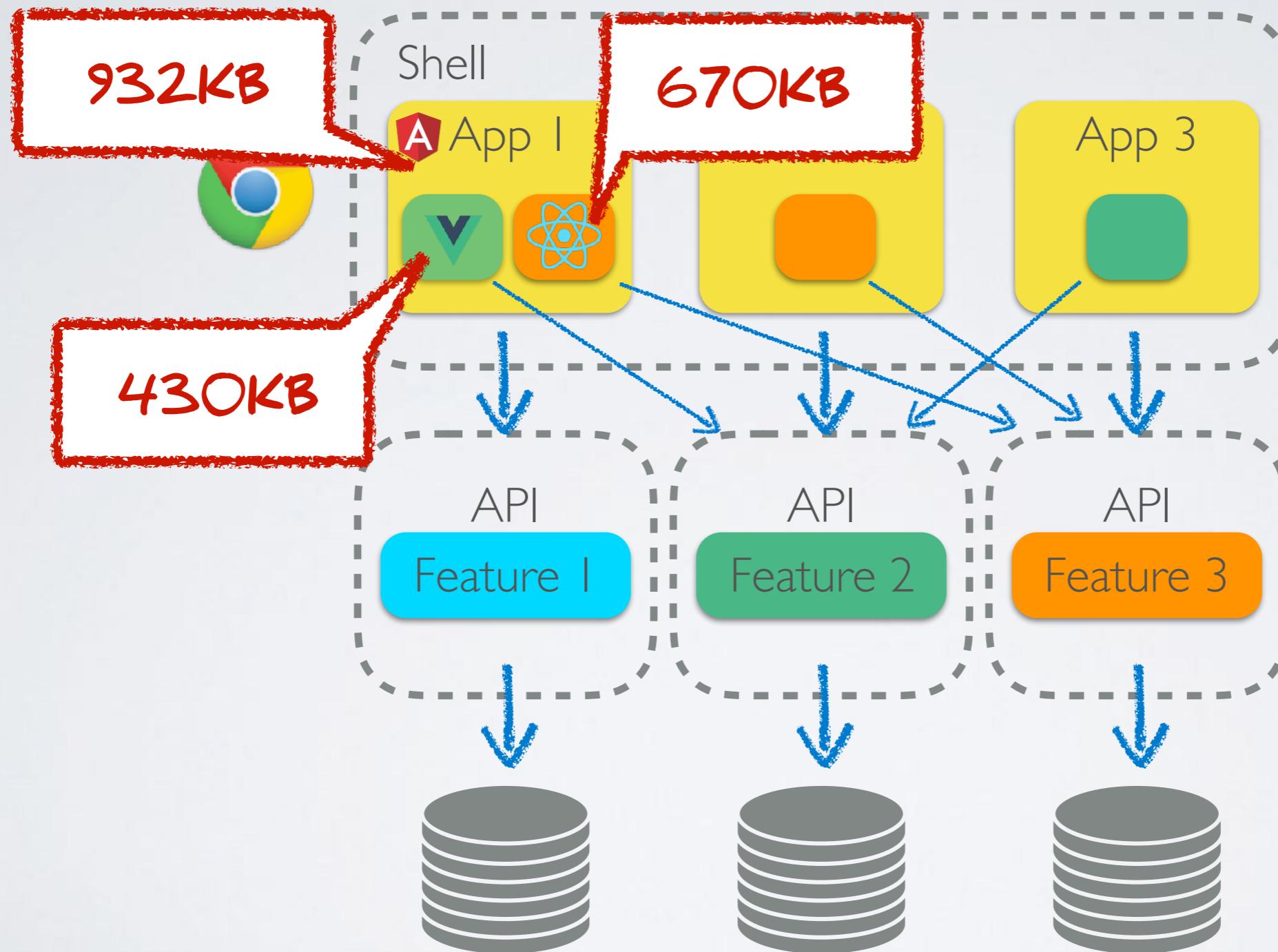
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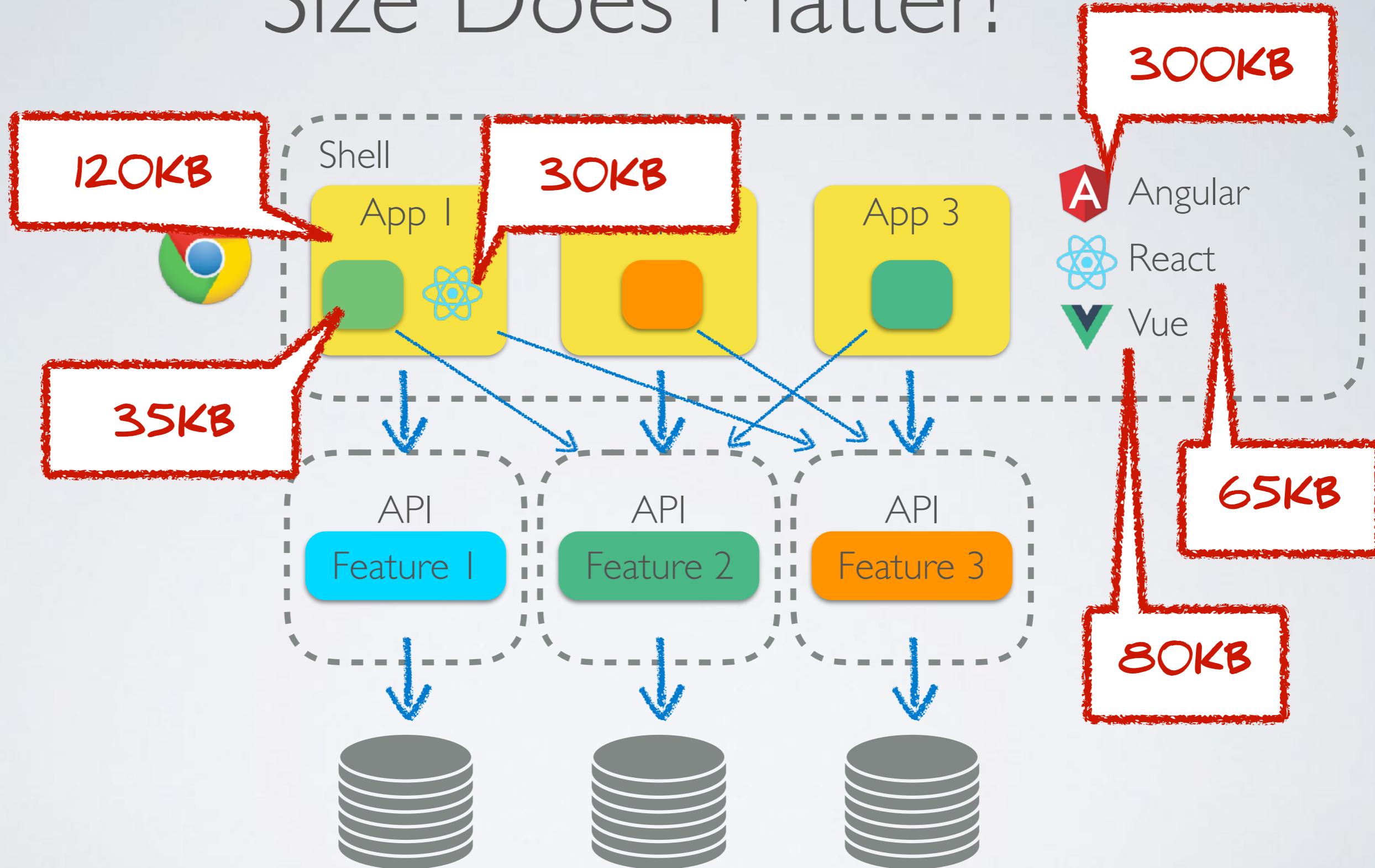


More than ever: Size does Matter!

Size Does Matter!



Size Does Matter!





Big & Independent
vs.
Small & Coupled



More Challenges

Dataflow & sharing state between components:

Applications do not just consist of simple components.
There is shared state & context
(Angular services, React context, Redux stores ...)

WebComponents just have primitive string properties!

Versioning: There is no versioning of custom elements!

"It feels like imperative DOM programming" (remember jQuery?)



There is no Silver Bullet for
Frontend Modularization

Fragen?

<https://github.com/jbandi/sbb-dev-day-2018>



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