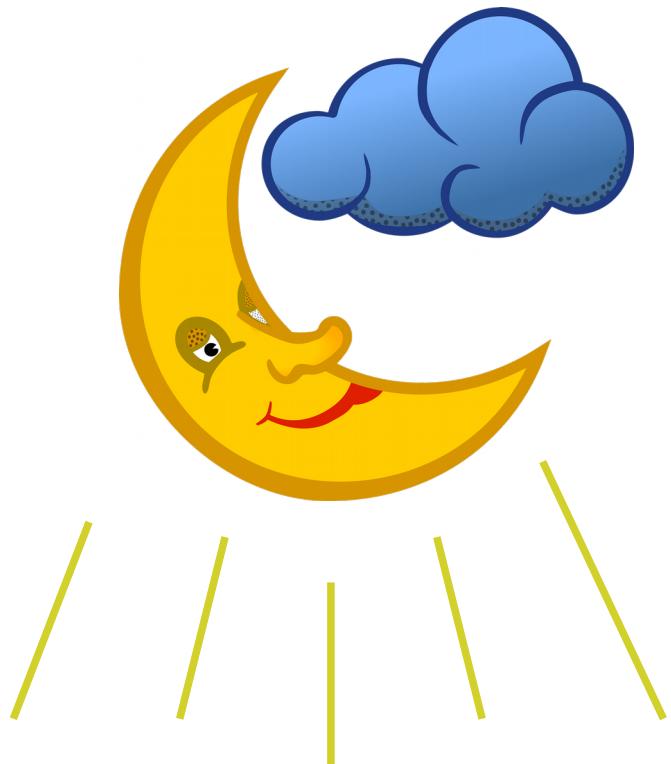


# The Gospel of Uncle Bob and Kent Beck: Clean Architecture and TDD

“ ... he who never quotes will  
never be quoted... ”

- Charles Spurgeon



New Things

“... everything I see under  
the sun is not new.”

- from Ecclesiastes (paraphrased)

**bad news**

“Code as if the one who will inherit  
your code base is a psychopathic  
mass murderer who knows your  
home address.”

- Anonymous

“Code as if the one who will inherit  
your code base is a gossip  
who has lots of gossip friends”

- Anonymous

Be conscientious when you write  
code

We fear that we become slaves of  
our *soft*ware creations

“There is a **fear** that produces  
**NO FEAR**”

*Hard software*

**FEAR Zone**



*fear*

**NO FEAR Zone**

*Soft software*

**solution**

**“Nothing makes a system more flexible than a suite of tests. Nothing.**

Good architecture and design are important; but the effect of a robust suite of tests is an order of magnitude greater. It's so much greater because those tests enable you to improve the design.”

- Uncle Bob Martin

**“Code without tests is bad code.**

It doesn't matter how well written it is; it doesn't matter how pretty or object-oriented or well-encapsulated it is.

**With tests, we can change the behavior of our code quickly and verifiably.**

Without them, we really don't know if our code is getting better or worse.”

- Michael Feathers

“You give me an application that is beautifully designed but there's no tests... I'll be **afraid to touch it**. It will rot.”

“You give me an application that is badly designed but has a **comprehensive suite of tests**... I can make the design better because I have a suite of tests.

“A suite of tests is more important than a good design.”

- Uncle Bob Martin

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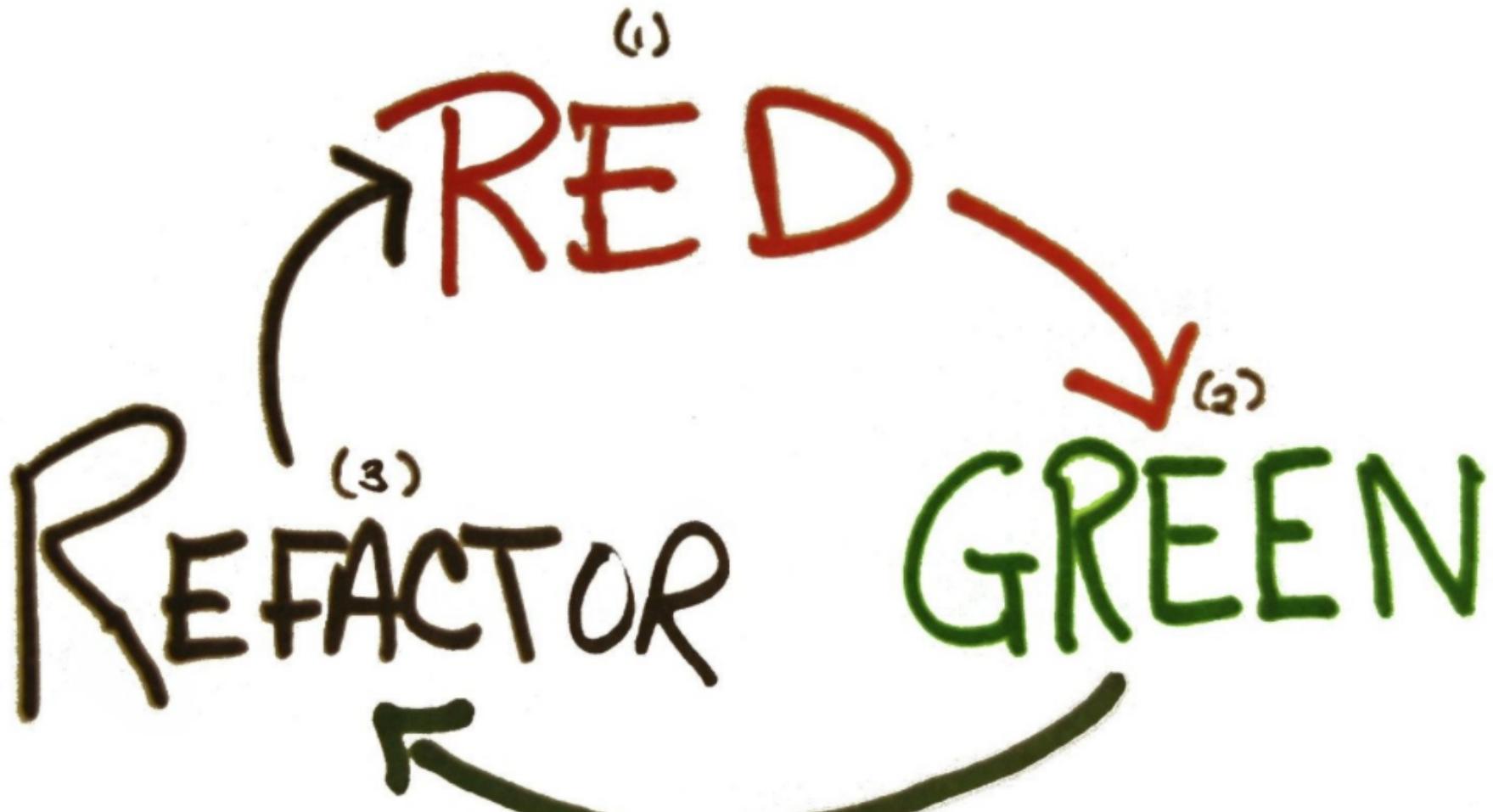
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# TDD

## **Test-Driven Development**



From <http://blog.cleancoder.com/uncle-bob/2014/12/17/TheCyclesOfTDD.html>

# Why write tests first





Source: <https://tinyurl.com/y7rlue57>

“... [TDD] practitioners discovered  
that **writing tests first made a**  
**significant improvement to the**  
**design process.**”

- Martin Fowler

<https://martinfowler.com/articles/mocksArentStubs.html>

Writing tests **first** forces us to  
write a **comprehensive** suite of  
**tests** which can give us **NO FEAR**

# Some TDD history



# TDD was developed by Kent Beck in the late 1990's as part of Extreme Programming.

In essence you follow three simple steps repeatedly:

1. Write a test for the next bit of functionality you want to add.
2. Write the functional code until the test passes.
3. Refactor both new and old code to make it well structured.

- Martin Fowler

<https://martinfowler.com/bliki/TestDrivenDevelopment.html>

Kent Beck

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/y7bb7knx>

“The original XP folks were writing tests for everything that could break,  
then they started writing the tests first.  
Eventually we ended up at TDD.”

- David Astels

<https://daveastels.com/2014/09/29/a-new-look-at-test-driven-development>

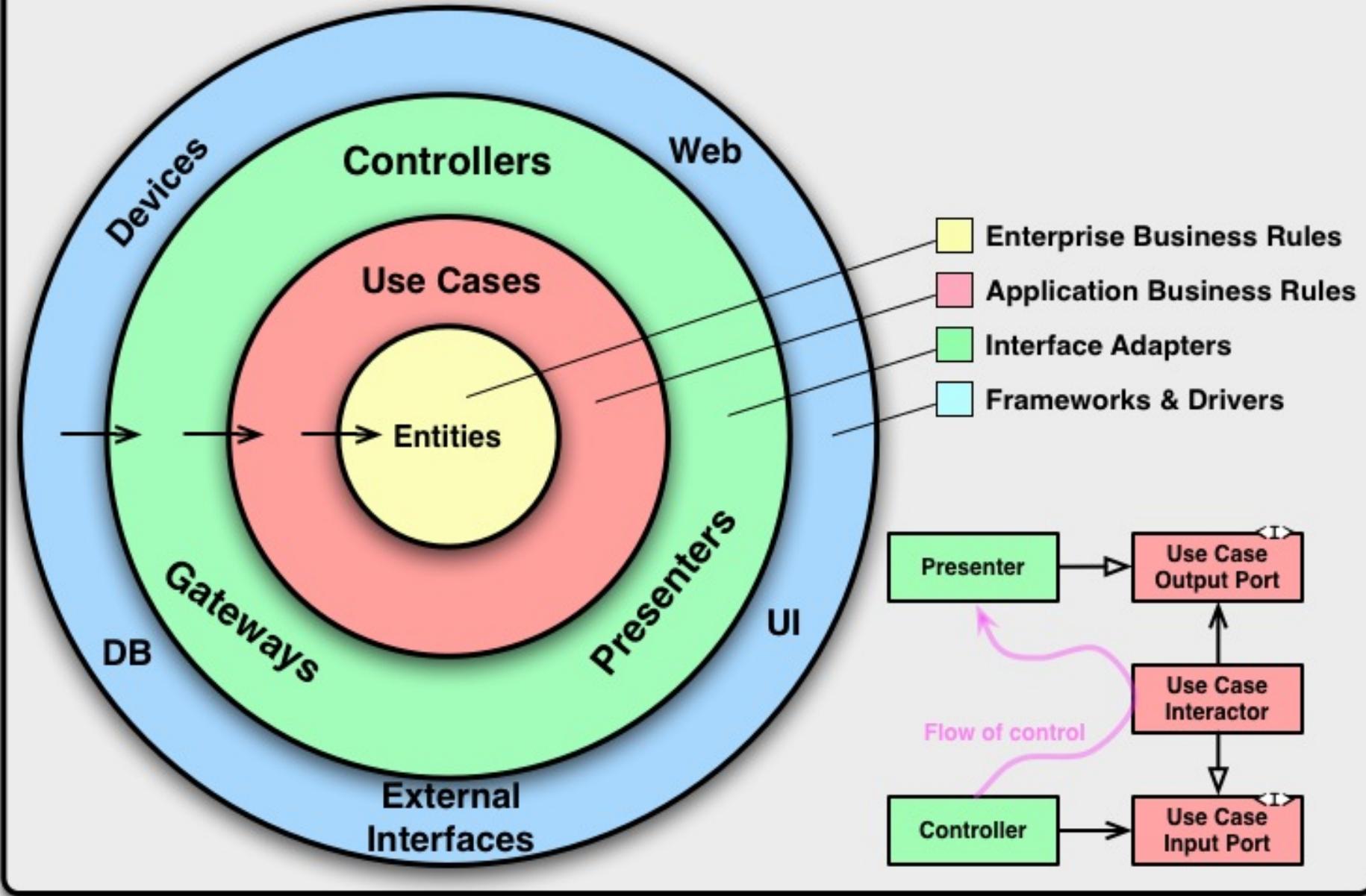
“Before you begin to code any software project,  
you need to have some **architectural vision** in  
place.

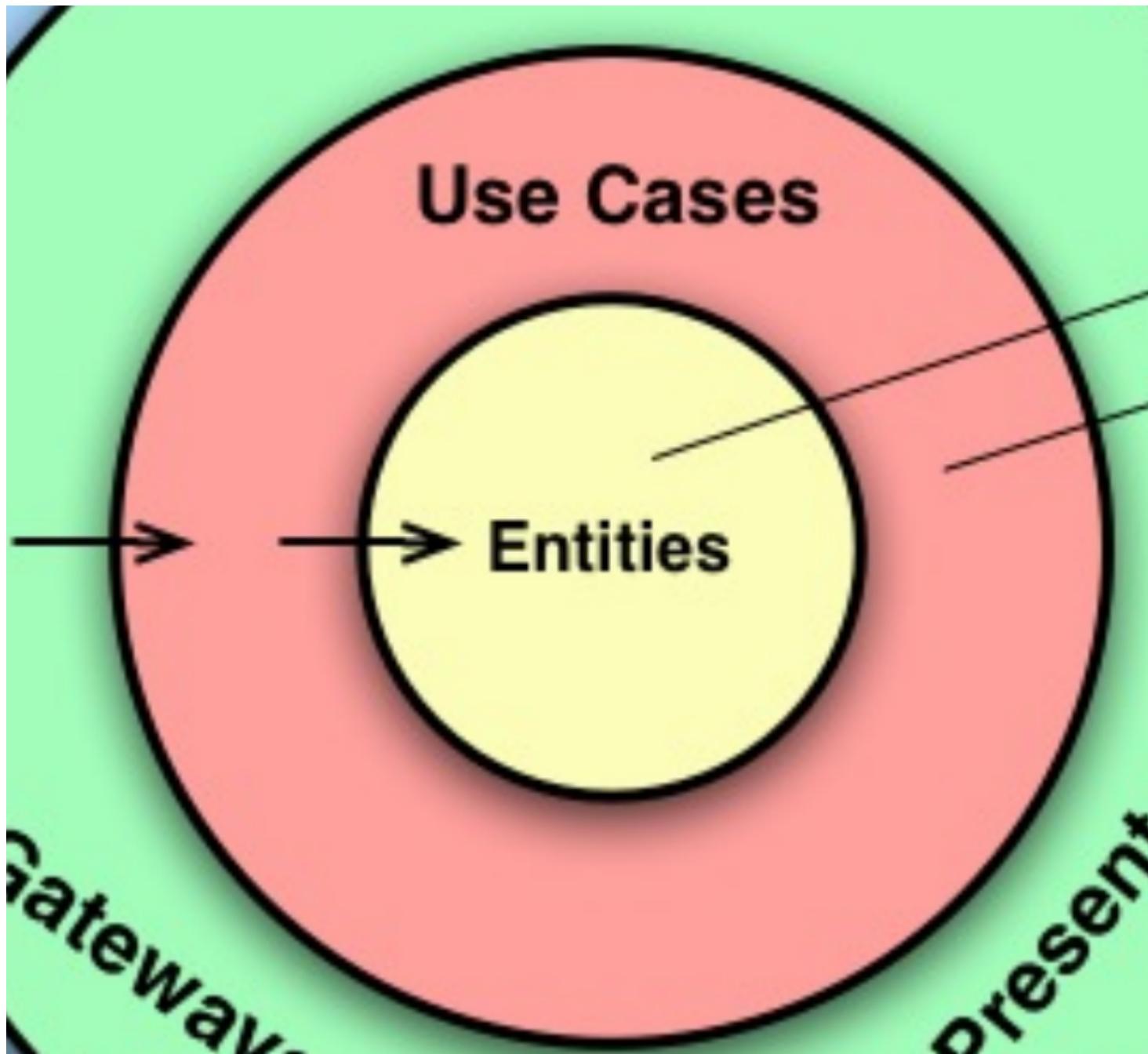
TDD will not, and can not, provide this vision.  
That is not TDD’s role.”

- Uncle Bob Martin

# **clean Architecture**

# The Clean Architecture





# Create Cat Use Case

Data:

<Name> ("Kang Kang")

<Title> ("The Great")



Primary Course:

1. User issues “Create Cat” command with above data.
2. System validates all data.
3. System creates new Cat and determines cat-id
4. System delivers cat-id to user

Exception Course: Validation Error

1. System delivers error message

**Cat**

name  
title

grandioseName()

```
class CreateCatUseCase
{
    void Execute(string name, string title)
    {
        // 1. User issues “Create Cat”
        //      command with above data.

        // 2. System validates all data.

        // 3. System creates new Cat and
        //      determines cat-id

        // 4. System delivers cat-id to user
    }
}
```

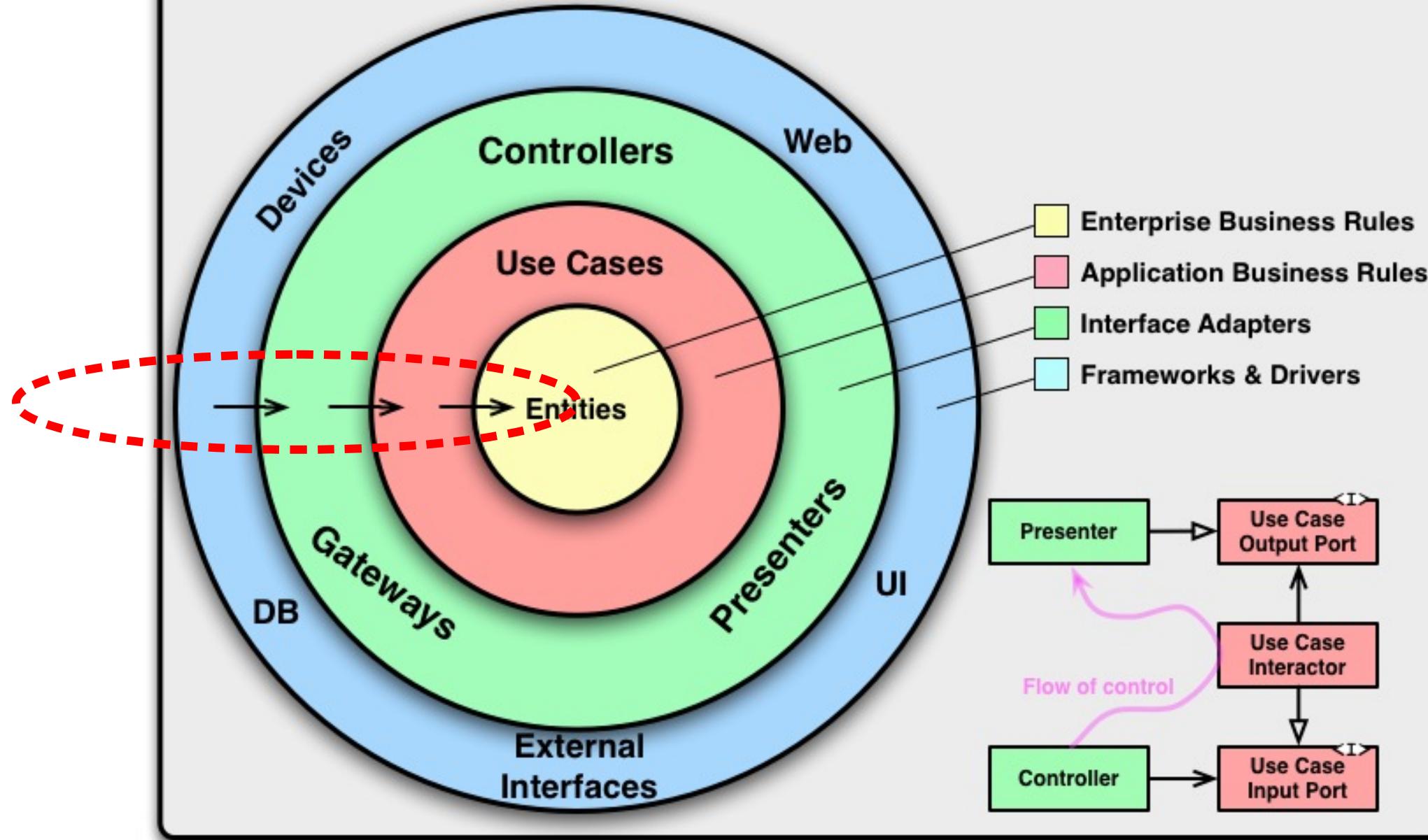
**“Architecture is about  
intent, not frameworks”**

“Architecture should reveal operation.

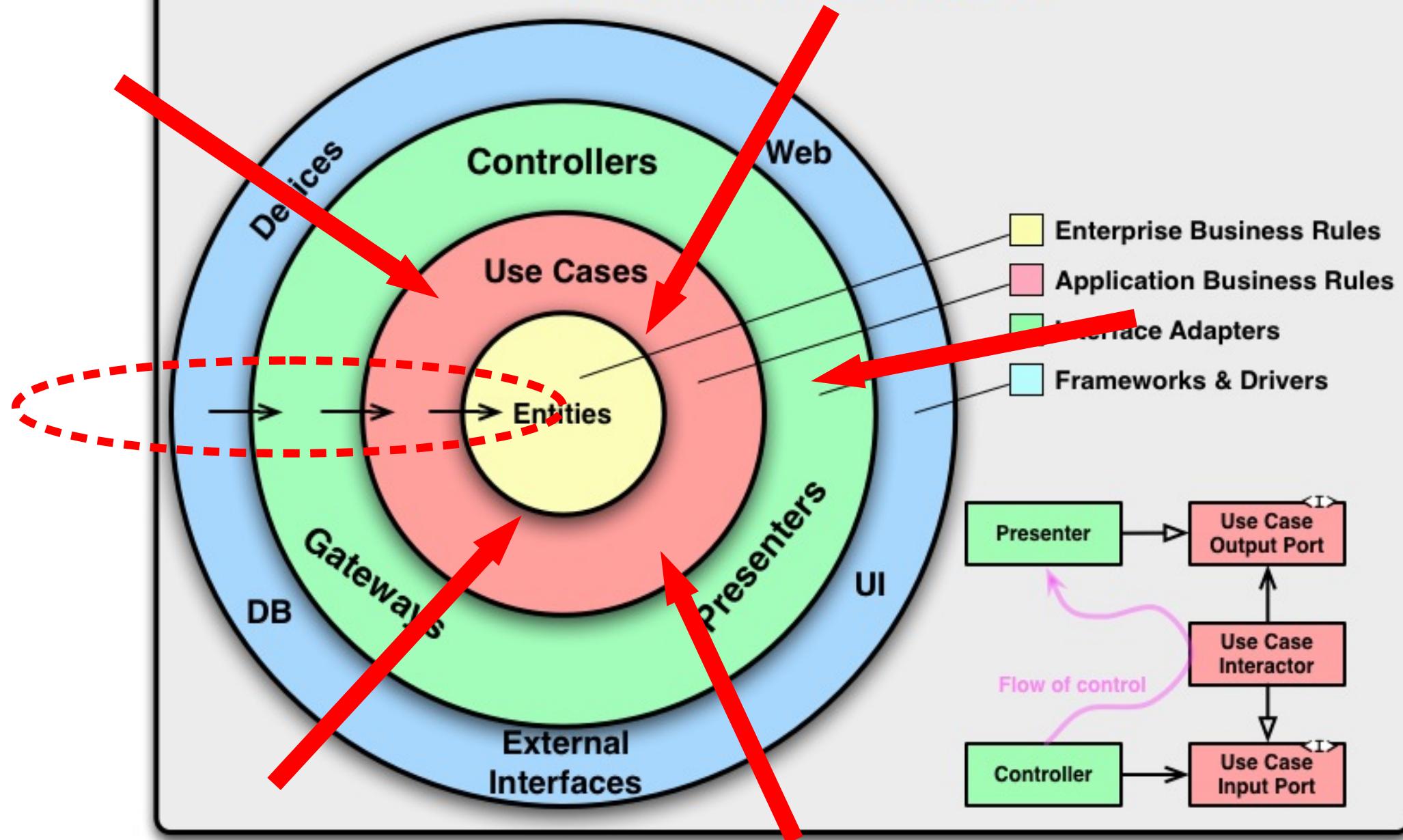
The architecture of the system should elevate the use-cases, the features, the required behaviors of the system, to first class entities that are visible landmarks for the developers.”

- Uncle Bob Martin

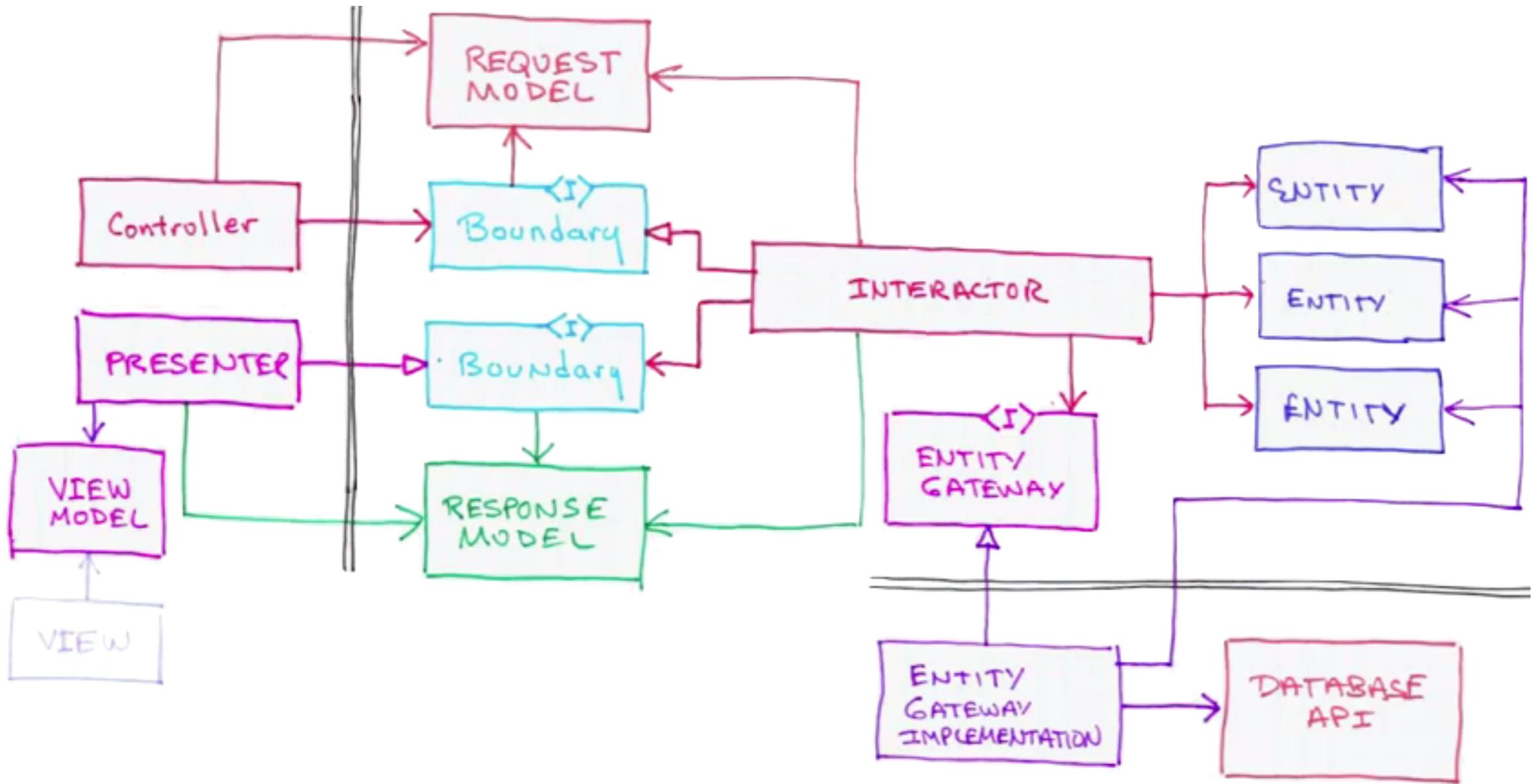
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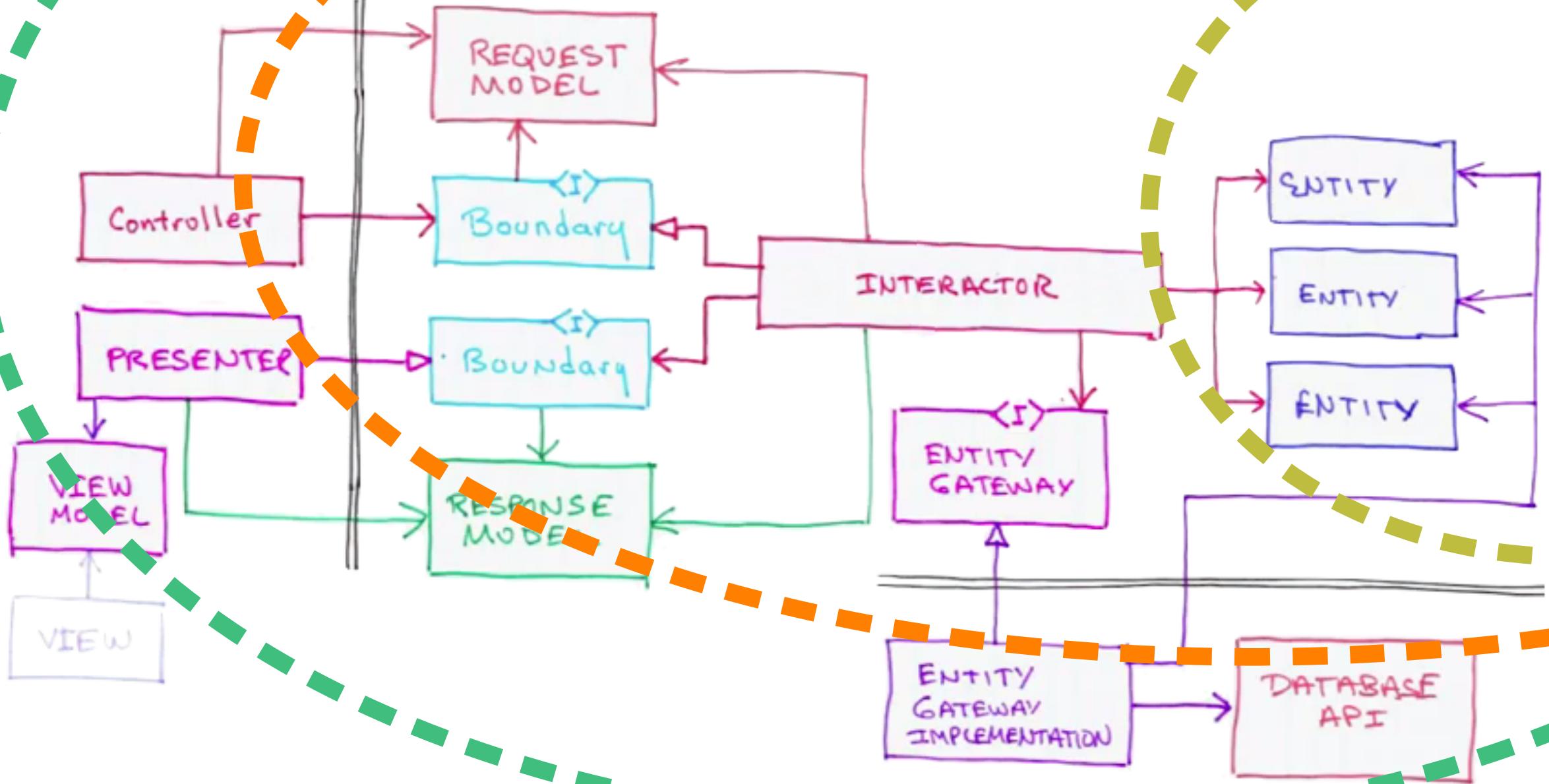
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# Example

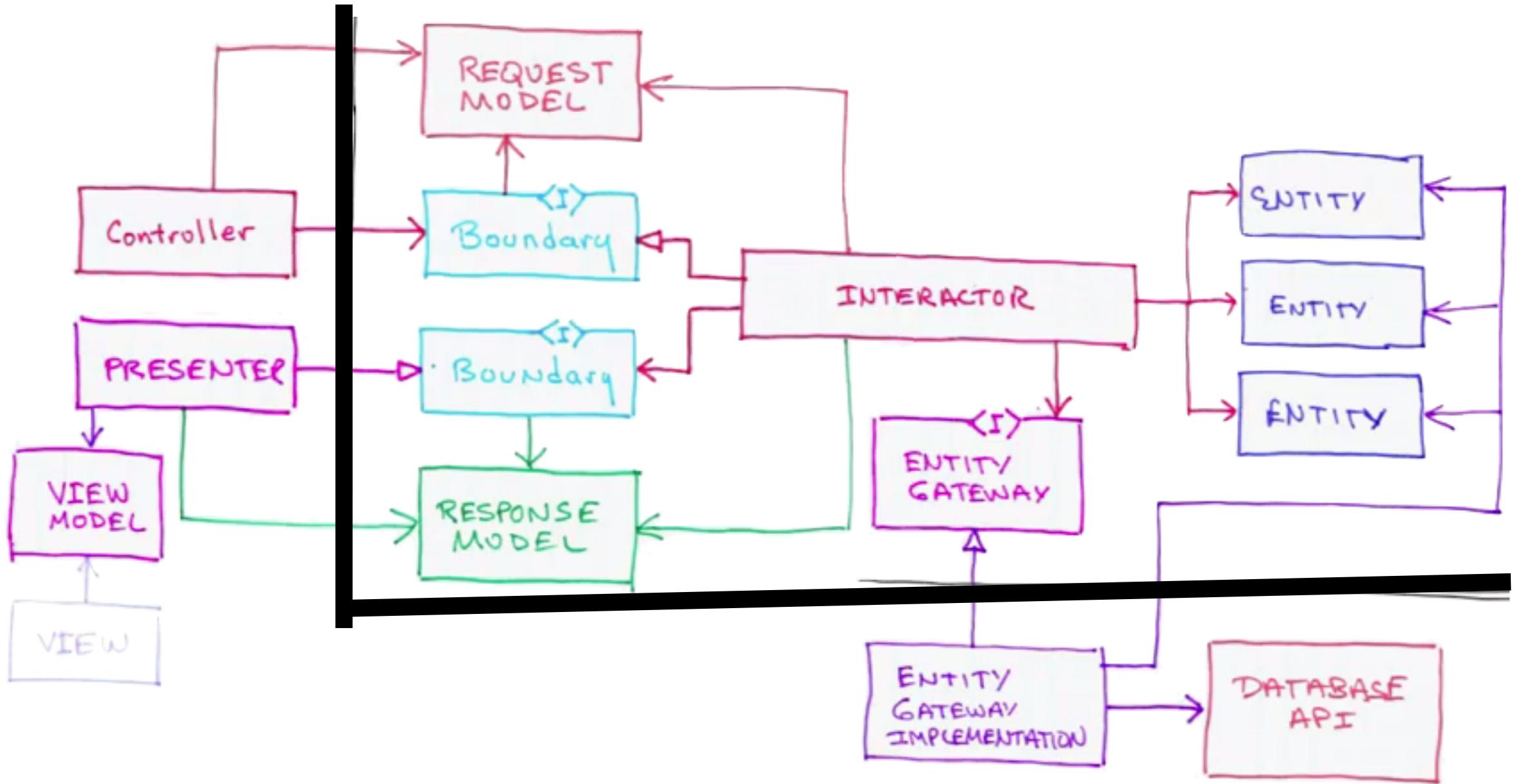


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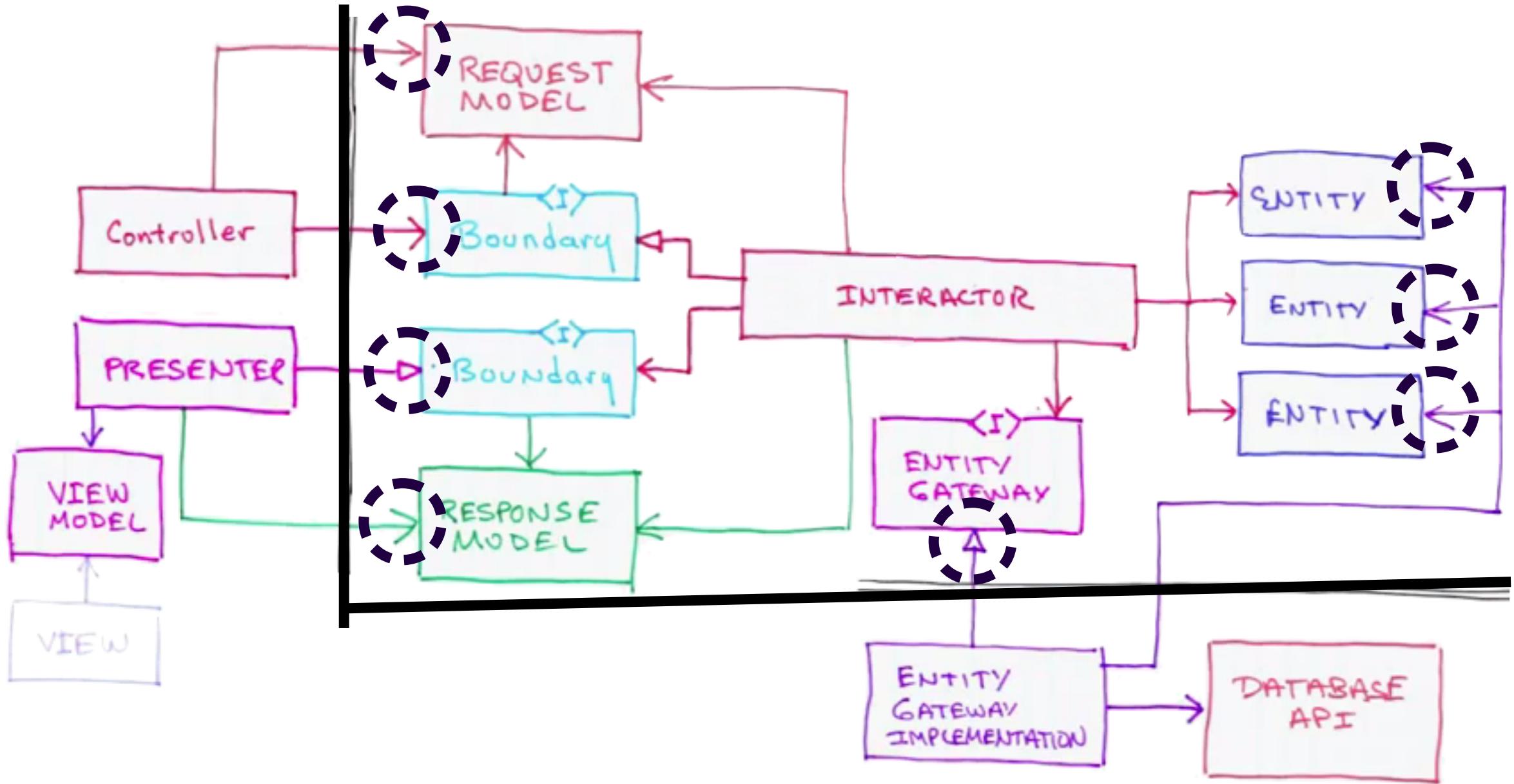


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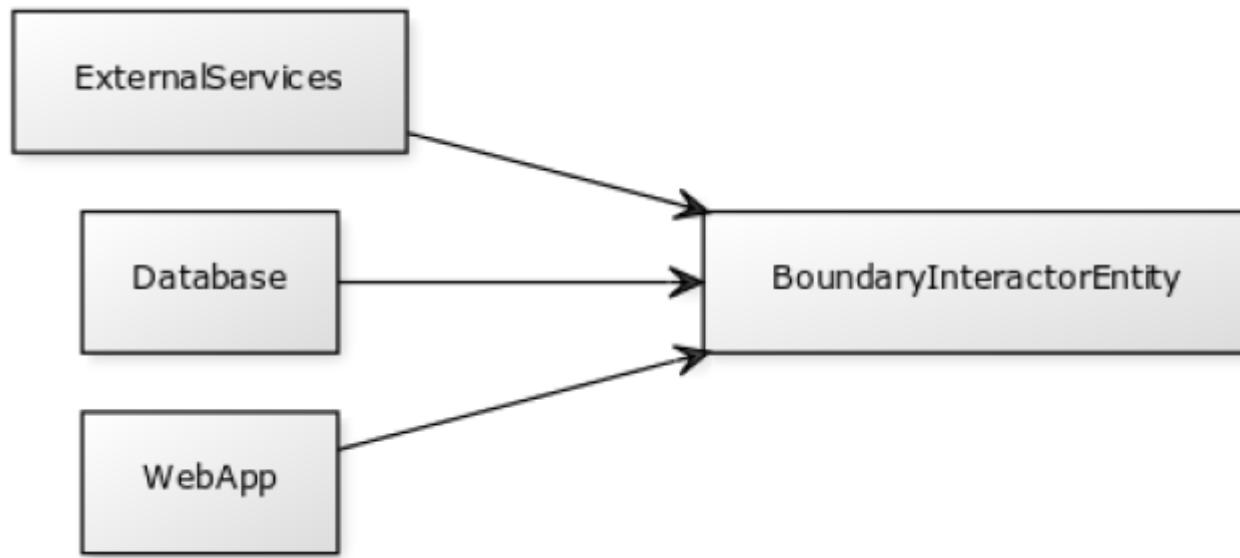
“Architecture is the art of drawing lines”  
- Uncle Bob Martin



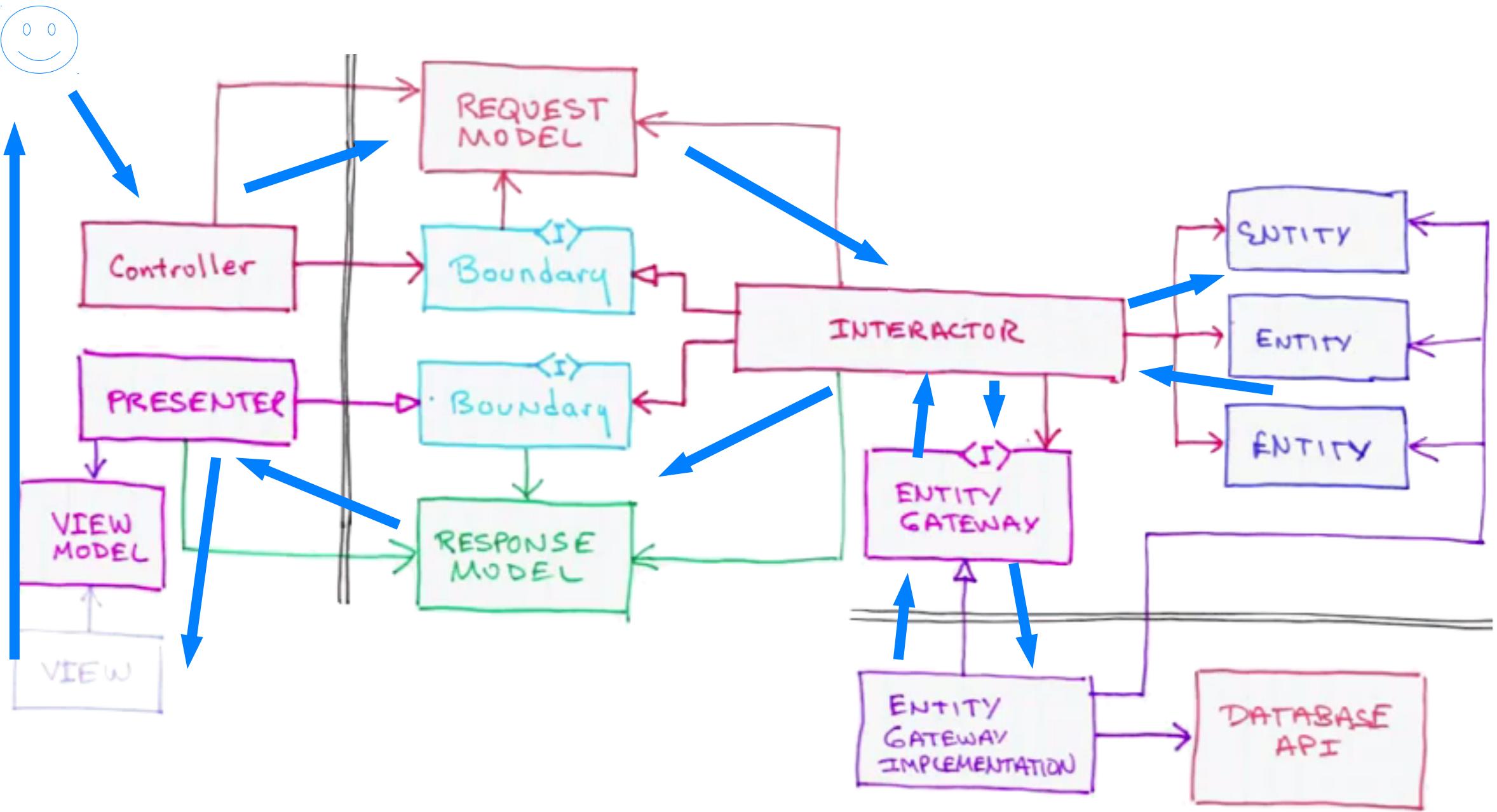
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<http://craftsmanshipcounts.com/clean-architecture-compare-critique-java/>



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```
public class CreateCatUseCaseInteractor
{
    CatCreatedPresenter presenter;
    ...
    public void Execute(CreateCatRequest request)
    {
        // User issues “Create Cat” command
        // with above data.

        // System validates all data.

        // System creates new Cat and determines cat-id

        // System delivers cat-id to user

        CreateCatResponse response = ...
        presenter.present(response);
    }
}
```

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{
    ...
    CreateCatResponse Execute(CreateCatRequest request)
    {
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        return response;
    }
}
```

# Goals

# Write fast tests

Writing tests **first**, with the clean architecture as our **goal**, can give us a **comprehensive** suite of **fast**-running **tests** that can make us have **NO FEAR**

Make the lives of programmers easier

“Good architecture makes the system easy to understand, easy to develop, easy to maintain, and easy to deploy.

The ultimate goal is to minimize the lifetime cost of the system; and maximize programmer productivity.”

- Uncle Bob Martin

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... then we started learning about architecture again

- Uncle Bob (paraphrased)

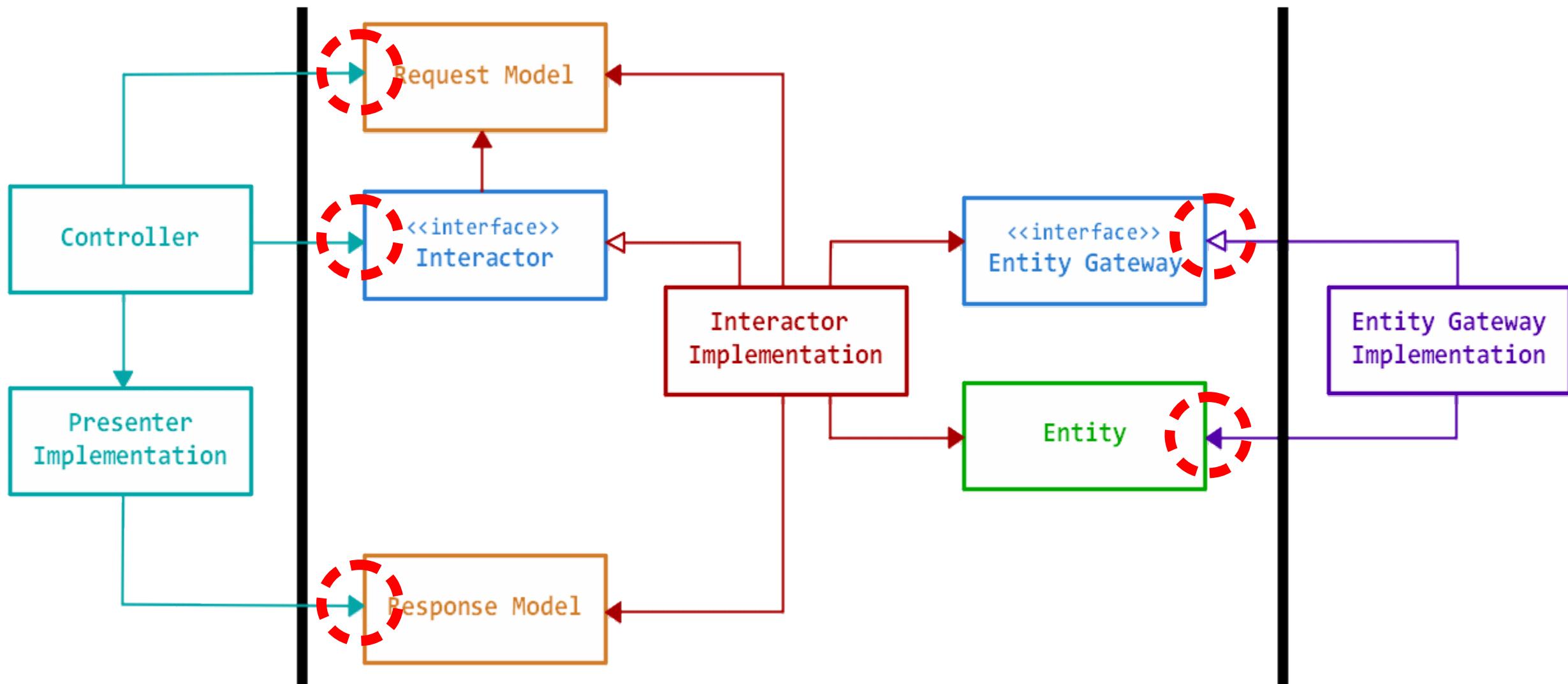
# Demo

“In ancient times, cats were worshiped as gods. They have never forgotten this.”



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```
using Xunit;

namespace Interactors.Tests
{
    public class CreateCatInteractorTests
    {
    }
}
```

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using Xunit;

namespace Interactors.Tests
{
    public class CreateCatInteractorTests
    {

        [Fact]
        public void test_that_the_tests_are_working()
        {
            Assert.Equal(4, 2 + 2);

        }
    }
}
```

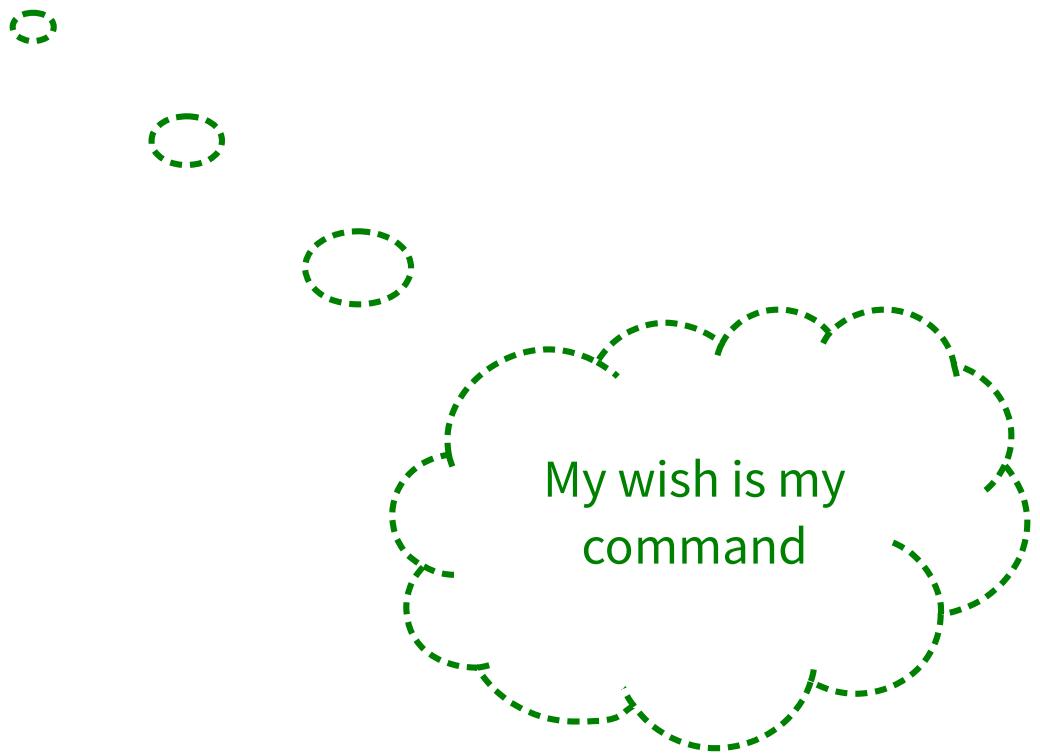


```
namespace Interactors.Tests
{
    public class CreateCatInteractorTests
    {
        [Fact]
        public void ShouldReturnTheCorrectResponse()
        {
            var interactor = new CreateCatInteractor();
        }
    }
}
```



I wish I had an  
interactor object

```
namespace Interactors
{
    public class CreateCatInteractor
    {
    }
}
```



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{
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    {
        [Fact]
        public void ShouldReturnTheCorrectResponse()
        {
            // arrange
            var interactor = new CreateCatInteractor();

            // act
            CreateCatResponse response = interactor.Execute();
        }
    }
}
```

I wish I had an Execute method in my interactor...

.. which returns a response object



```
namespace Interactors
{
    public class CreateCatReponse
    {
    }
}
```



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{
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        [Fact]
        public void ShouldReturnTheCorrectResponse()
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            CreateCatResponse response = interactor.Execute();
        }
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```



```
namespace Interactors
{
    public class CreateCatInteractor
    {
        public CreateCatReponse Execute()
        {
        }
    }
}
```



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}
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# Why TDD and Clean Architecture?

**They can save us from becoming  
slaves of our creations.**

**They can give us NO FEAR**

FEAR Zone

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**“There are no silver bullets”**

“The only way to go fast is to go well”

- Uncle Bob Martin

Just in case you fear that the “gossip joke” (from the introduction slides) will leak from the joke world to the real world...

there already exist practices that can prevent that from happening:

## Pair Programming or Mob Programming

...

I asked: “Jerry, do you do this with your own code too?”

Jerry scowled: “We work as a team around here, so there is no code I call my own.

Do you consider this code yours now?”

“Not anymore.” I said, meekly. “You’ve had a big influence on it.”

“We both have.” he said, “And that’s the way that Mr. C likes it. **He doesn’t want any single person owning code...**”

- from “The Craftsman #3: Clarity and Collaboration” of Uncle Bob Martin

# Where to go from here...

## Blog posts of Uncle Bob on Clean Architecture and TDD

Screaming Architecture

Clean Architecture

The Clean Architecture

A Little Architecture

The Cycles of TDD

TDD Harms Architecture

Test First

etc.

## Talks of Uncle Bob on Clean Architecture

Clean Architecture and Design

Architecture: The Lost Years

etc.

## Book

Clean Architecture: A Craftsman's Guide to Software Structure and Design

## Examples

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