Microservices with Java and Spring Boot

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Getting started
- 1.1.1 Welcome

THE EVOLUTION OF

SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE

1990's

SPAGHETTI-ORIENTED ARCHITECTURE (aka Copy & Paste)



2000's

LASAGNA-ORIENTED
ARCHITECTURE
(aka Layered Monolith)



2010's

RAVIOLI-ORIENTED ARCHITECTURE (aka Microservices)



WHAT'S NEXT?

PROBABLY PIZZA-ORIENTED ARCHITECTURE

1.1.2 This course



developing developers

Freely available here: https://github.com/jypma/LB3212-services

- PDF of slides will be available at completion
- Pull requests with fixes to our typos are welcome :-)

1.1.3 About your instructors

- Jan Ypma
 - Java, Scala, Groovy, C++, Rust, Lisp
 - Contributor to various open source projects
 - Fan of functional programming and distributed systems
 - Agile coach
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- Jakob Bendsen
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 - Teaching at ITU and numerous courses in Danish IT industry
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 - Likes Kotlin and elegant programs
 - jakob@logb.dk, https://linkedin.com/in/jbendsen

1.1.4 Schedule, day 1

Time	Duration	Activity	Weight
09:00	00:10	Welcome, Outline/Agenda	
09:10	00:20	Round table introductions	
09:30	00:15	What's a microservice	
09:45	00:15	The 8 fallacies of distributed computing	
10:00	00:30	Design for resilience	
10:30	00:20	Break(out) 1	
10:50	00:20	Discussion of breakout results	
11:10	00:60	Infrastructure architecture	
12:10	00:20	Break(out) 2	
12:30	00:30	Lunch	
13:00	00:20	Discussion of breakout results	
13:20	00:40	Data architecture	
14:00	00:40	Event storming: Events	
14:40	00:10	Break	
14:50	00:30	Event storming: Commands and Actors	
15:20	00:20	Event storming: Aggregates	
15:40	00:20	Wrap-up, reserved time for extra subjects	

1.1.5 Talk about yourself

- My Background
- What do I hope to get out of the course
- What's the smallest service I've ever written

1.2 What's a microservice

1.2.1 Definition

- \bullet Service
 - One operating system process (often on its own server)
 - Exposes an API (sometimes also a UI)
- Micro
 - Theory: It's small
 - Practice: There are many
 - Independently deployable

1.2.2 Philosophy

- Business needs evolve
- Team composition changes
- Services should be disposable (design to be replaceable)
 - Rebuilt in 1-3 months
- Per service, use best technology matching experience and requirements

1.2.3 Service scope

- Service belongs to one team
 - Team is responsible for entire service software life cycle
- Data store belongs to one service
- Independently deployable

1.2.4 Use cases

- Embrace Conway's law: One system belongs to at most one team
- Monoliths are fine to start with
 - Time to market and technical debt vs. holistic design
- Strangler pattern

1.3 The 8 fallacies of distributed computing

1.3.1 Which of these is true?

- 1. The network is reliable.
- 2. Latency is zero.
- 3. Bandwidth is infinite.
- 4. The network is secure.
- 5. Topology doesn't change.
- 6. There is one administrator.
- 7. Transport cost is zero.
- 8. The network is homogeneous.

1.3.2 How well does the following abstraction help?

MyResponseType callMyRemoteService(String command, byte[] data)

2 Design for resilience

2.1 Service failure

2.1.1 Your (or your colleague's) service will be down

 $P(everything\ working) = P(one\ service\ is\ working)\ \hat{\ } n_{services}$ Our service is up 99% of the time!

Well, we have about 30 microservices, each with 3 copies. That means that 63% of the time, at least one service is down somewhere.

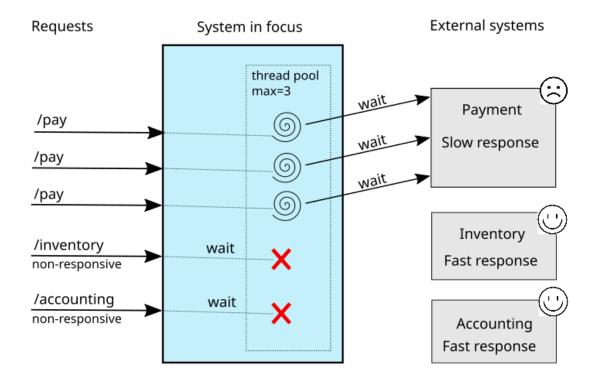
2.2 Creating services

2.2.1 Guidelines

- Prefer sharded (partitioned) data stores over single points of failure
- Idempotency for all incoming data
- Always deploy more than 1 copy
 - Investigate the need for a cluster-aware distributed framework
- Have a Service dashboard with metrics (more on that later)
- Use Bulkhead to protect finite resources

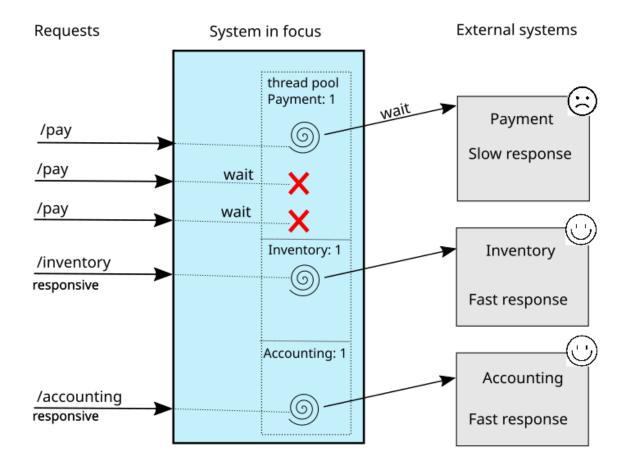
2.2.2 Bulkhead

A single resource pool is covering multiple types of application requests



2.2.3 Bulkhead in place

- Semaphore with an optional timed queue in front
- \bullet Other parts of the resource pool are still accessible



2.2.4 Measure service quality

- Service Level Objective (SLO)
 - Metric that indicates a healthy service to you, e.g.
 - * "The 99th percentile of HTTP response times is at most 300ms"
 - * "At least 99.9% of HTTP requests result in a successful response"
 - Typically only internally measured and/or agreed between teams
- Service Level Indicator (SLI)
 - An actual number that indicates the current value of an SLO, e.g.
 - * 99th percentile response time
 - * 24-hour window success rate of HTTP requests
- Service Level Agreement (SLA)
 - Part of a contractual obligation (sometimes legally binding) between parties
 - * "The 95th percentile of HTTP response times is at most 1000ms"
 - * "At least 99% of HTTP requests result in a successful response"
 - Typically results in a stricter SLO being applied internally

2.3 Consuming services

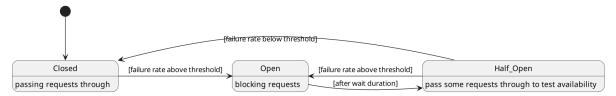
2.3.1 Guidelines

- Design for failure
 - Have methods/functions reflect doing I/O

- Make time (and timeouts) explicit
- Use Circuit Breaker where applicable
- Fail fast
 - System.exit(1) is a viable error handler

2.3.2 Circuit breaker

- Smart state machine towards 1 backend
 - Closed: Everything is working normally
 - Open: We've determined that the backend is down, and block requests
 - Half-open: We're allowing a few requests through, to test the waters



2.4 Guidelines

2.4.1 Microservice pitfalls

- Service co-dependencies
 - Keep HTTP calls one way only
 - Plugin pattern
- Nested synchronous service calls
 - Added latency and failure possibility
 - Avoid these with event sourcing
 - Replicate data instead, or call asynchronously when possible

2.4.2 Need more inspiration?

- The twelve-factor app, https://12factor.net/
- Provides sensible suggestions on a lot of topics
 - Port binding, dev/prod differences, admin processes
- Not the only way (geared towards ruby/python), but worth a thorough read

3 Break(out) 1

3.1 Service discovery

3.1.1 Introduction

- Break into teams of 2-4 people (20 min)
- Discuss the services and projects you've been a part of (here or at a previous employer), and identify:
 - Examples of a microservice
 - Examples of $\mathit{definitely}\ NOT$ a microservice
- For each service found, describe how resilient the given service was
 - Usage or absence of bulkhead and/or circuit breaker
 - Usage or absence of clustering / replication

3.1.2 Discussion

 \bullet Describe the services you have found

4 Infrastructure architecture

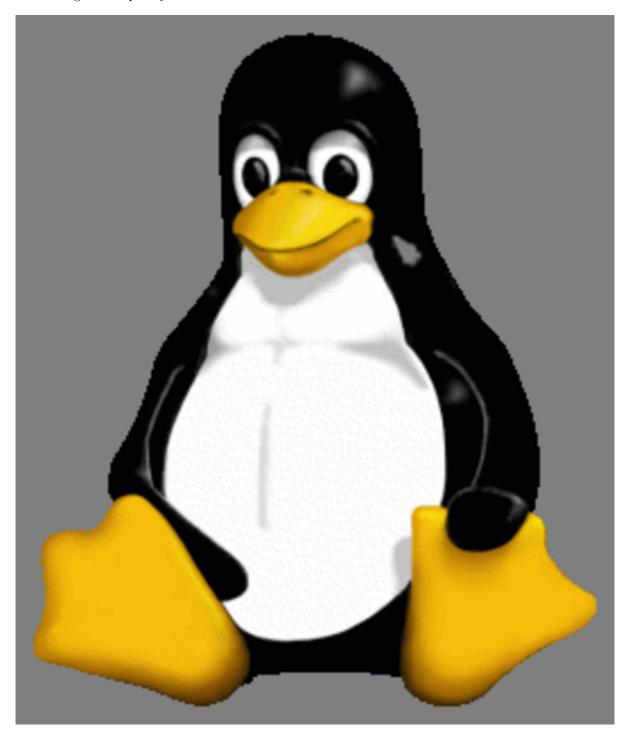
4.1 It's a linux world

4.1.1 About linux



4.1.2 Get familiar with linux

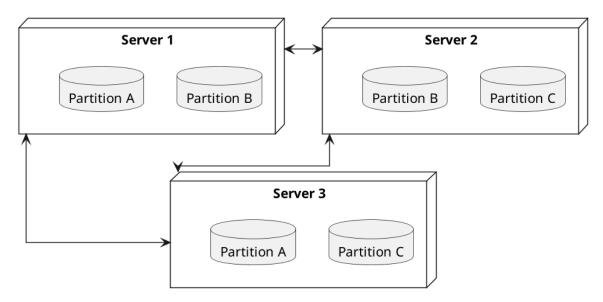
- $\bullet\,$ Micro services are a linux world
- It's easier than ever to get started
 - WSL 2 (some integration, less "linux", and has issues)
 - VirtualBox with e.g. Ubuntu (real linux)
 - Dual boot e.g. Ubuntu
 - Just get a Raspberry Pi



4.2 Partitioned data stores

4.2.1 Partitioned data stores: introduction

- All data is split into partitions (also called shards), which are copied onto servers
- For each data element, a key determines which partition it's stored on



4.2.2 Partitioned row stores

Each row has a key that specifies which partition(s) store data for that row. Data is typically stored in columns, following a schema.

• Open source: Cassandra

• Amazon: DynamoDB, Keyspaces

• Google: BigTable

• Azure: Cosmos DB (with Cassandra API)

4.2.3 Example cassandra queries

• Creating a table

```
CREATE TABLE chat_messages (
  roomId int,
  seqNr int,
  edited timestamp,
  userId int,
  message text,

  PRIMARY KEY (roomId, seqNr)
);
```

- Table must have a primary key
- Part of the primary key is the partition key, which dictates how the data is partitioned (sharded)
- Inserting (or updating) rows

```
INSERT INTO chat_messages (roomId, seqNr, edited, userId, message)
VALUES (1, 1, NOW(), 42, 'This is my message');
```

- This will insert (or overwrite) the row for the data's primary key values
- UPDATE also exists, and has the same semantics
- Did somebody say this is NoSQL?

4.2.4 Partitioned queues

Messages sent to a queue (sometimes called topic) are distributed to partitions, based on a *key*. Messages typically small (some services have upper limit of 64kB).

• Open source: Kafka

• Amazon: SQS

• Google: Cloud Pub/Sub

• Azure: Storage Queue (*) , Service Bus (*)

(*) not partitioned, size-limited

4.2.5 Partitioned search

Full-text search is often important when dealing with data.

• Open source: Elasticsearch, SoLR

• Amazon: Hosted elasticsearch

• Google: Hosted elasticsearch

• Azure: Hosted elasticsearch

4.3 Single-server data stores

4.3.1 Single-server data stores: introduction

- Many moving parts needed to make primary/replica failover work
 - PostgreSQL: Multiple servers possible, but failures leak to the client. pgBouncer as alternative.
 - MariaDB: Multiple servers possible with failover, fail-back is a manual process
 - RabbitMQ: Multiple servers possible with failover, but fail-back doesn't work in Spring (AMQP-318)
- If you choose these, make failover testing part of your CI

4.3.2 PostgreSQL

- Relational database with a strong history of transactional correctness
- Very high performance
- Modern features
 - Native JSON support with indexes
 - Add indexes without locking tables
- Single-server, but flexible native replication options
 - Multiple read replicas
 - Subset-read replicas ("logical replication")
- Database-level sharding software exists, but application-level sharding is recommended

4.3.3 RabbitMQ

- Message queue with focus on performance
- Original architecture single-server
 - Later extended with Mirror Queues (primary/replica)
 - Extended with Quorum Queues in 2019 (raft)
 - * No message TTL, no message priorities
 - * All cluster members have all data
 - * All messages in memory! (in addition to storage)

4.3.4 RabbitMQ Data consistency

- AMQP "transaction"
 - Covers only a single queue
 - "Slow" (fsync for every transaction)
- Publisher confirms
 - Asynchronous message from RabbitMQ to client (after fsync): basic.ack or basic.nack
 - Impossible to predictably deal with lost broker connection (risk duplicate, risk lost messages)
- Manual Consumer acknowledgement
 - Consumer sends message to RabbitMQ to confirm handling of message is complete
 - basic.ack, basic.nack(requeue), basic.nack(no requeue)
 - This is async, so no guarantee that the server receives it
 - * Two generals agree

4.4 Monitoring and alerting

4.4.1 Introduction

- Logging need not be a cross-cutting concern
 - Create monitored metrics instead
- Your service dashboard is as important as your public API
 - Have metrics on everything
 - Dashboard should be visible to and understandable by non-team members
- Be aware of your resource usage, check all environments at least daily

4.4.2 Protocol variations

- Push-based (statsd)
 - Application periodically (10 seconds) sends UDP packet(s) with metrics
 - Simple text-based wire format
 - Composes well if running with multiple metrics backends
 - Advantages: composability, easy to route, less moving parts
- Pull-based (prometheus)
 - Database calls into microservice periodically (10 seconds) over HTTP
 - Service needs to run extra HTTP server
 - Does not compose (multiple metrics backends need to be known on the prometheus side)
 - Advantages: less timing-sensitive

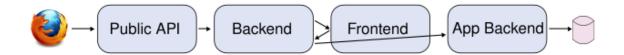
4.4.3 Metrics terminology

- Different frameworks use different terms
- Micrometer uses the following:
 - Counter (sometimes called event): An occurrence of a discrete event
 - * e.g. a request coming in
 - Gauge: The size of a single measurable quantity (and its unit)
 - * e.g. the number of active TCP connections
 - Timer: The duration of an activity
 - * e.g. the response time to a request
 - Distribution summary (sometimes called histogram or even gauge): Recorded values (and units) that go with events
 - * e.g. the size of incoming requests in bytes

4.5 Request tracing

4.5.1 Complex service dependencies

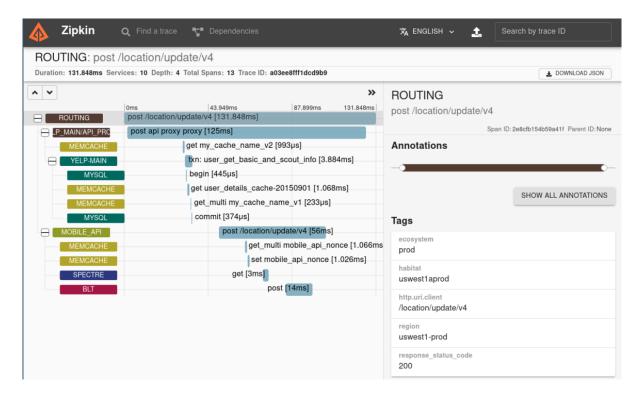
• Services can have complex calling stacks



- When something breaks, it's good to have a trace
- Other reasons
 - Identify performance problems
 - Find bottlenecks
 - Track resource usage

4.5.2 Two mature solutions

- Jaeger and Zipkin
 - Both have vast library and framework support
 - Many metrics framework support both backends



4.6 Deployment

4.6.1 Hosted, semi-hosted or self-hosted?

- Learning a new data store technology
 - Reliability guarantees
 - Scalability and performance characteristics
 - API
 - Installation and operation (for developers)
 - Installation and operation (in production)
- You can save on the last bullet, but not on the others
- Self-hosted
 - You install and run everything yourself
 - * Kafka, Cassandra, Elasticsearch
 - * Typically on Docker & Kubernetes
 - Can re-use knowledge and code between development and production
- Semi-hosted
 - Cloud provider installs and operates existing (typically open source) software for you
 - But you still have to pick server size and count
 - You're billed per server

• Hosted

- Cloud provider installs and operates everything for you
- You're billed per logical storage unit (e.g. database row or queue message)

4.6.2 Pets vs. cattle

- Pets: Traditional server management
 - Servers have cute names
 - Some server names I've seen: pinkie, oink, tardis, deepthought, zeus
 - Everyone know the peculiarities of each server
- Cattle: Cloud server management
 - Servers have only a logical ID or number
 - Hardware setup, rack and/or location
 - Find an available server to put your service on

4.6.3 Virtualization and containerization

- First, there was plain hardware
- VM abstraction
 - Decoupling of multiple roles of one server
 - Memory and disk overhead
 - Linux optimizations (kernel shared memory)
- Linux can do many of this natively
 - Namespaces: Hide processes from each other
 - Cgroups: Limit resource usage
- Containers to make it fast and efficient
 - VM: GBs
 - Docker (ubuntu): 100's of MB
 - Docker (alpine): MBs
 - Instant startup

4.6.4 Docker

- Limited to linux in this course
- Lightweight layer over native cgroups isolation
- Dockerfile

```
FROM node:12-alpine
RUN apk add --no-cache python g++ make
WORKDIR /app
COPY . .
RUN yarn install --production
CMD ["node", "src/index.js"]
```

- Layers
- Volumes
 - Handling of persistent data
- Port mapping
- User mapping
- Don't run as root

4.6.5 Docker-compose

```
version: '3.1'
services:
  db:
    image: postgres:13.2-alpine
    # Uncomment this to have the DB come up when you start docker / your laptop:
    #restart: always
    environment:
      POSTGRES_USER: demo
      POSTGRES_DB: demo
      POSTGRES_PASSWORD: example
    ports:
      - 5432:5432
  rabbitmq:
    image: rabbitmq:3.8.16-alpine
    # Uncomment this to have the DB come up when you start docker / your laptop:
    #restart: always
    ports:
                   # AMQP
      - 5672:5672
      - 15672:15672 # Web UI
```

- Groups several docker containers and storage
- Ideal for local testing

4.6.6 Kubernetes

- Manages a cluster of distributed docker containers with copies
 - Pod: Combination of one or more docker containers and their configuration
 - Configmap: Extra settings for pods, typically becoming a volume in the pod
 - Deployment: Automatic replicas and distributed upgrades for pods (and other resources)
- Ideal for production
- Configure Memory requests and limits
- Configure CPU requests
- Get comfortable getting thread and heap dumps
- Heap dump on out of memory (this will happen)
 - -XX:+HeapDumpOnOutOfMemoryError -XX:HeapDumpPath=/dumps to an emptyDir volume

4.7 Configuration

4.7.1 Handling of externalized values

- Externalize "magic numbers" and strings
- Embrace your framework's ability to have internal and external configuration
 - Internal (inside docker container) has defaults and values that don't really change
 - External (mounted as a volume) has settings specific for that environment and/or server
- Changes to configuration files

- Kubernetes: Configmap change does not restart the pod
- Hot reloading? Not in spring boot (watch file and shutdown instead)
- Environment variables for secrets: don't do it (leaking to docker, monitoring tools)
 - use files instead
- Environment variables for service injection: don't do it (ordering issues)
 - use dns instead (e.g. dns-java, akka discovery, [...])

4.8 Load balancer

4.8.1 Allowing the world to call your service

- Deployed kubernetes services only reachable within the cluster
- Need to define an ingress
 - HTTP-level (NGinx) or TCP-level (HAProxy)
 - Provided by your native cloud provider
 - Hybrid setups
- Additional, external, load balancer in front of ingress controller

5 Break(out) 2

5.1 Infrastructure discovery

5.1.1 Introduction

- Resume in your teams
- Which pieces of infrastructure exist around the services you discovered?
- Who "owns" or maintains them?
- How can you set up new infrastructure?
- Look at all categories of infrastructure:
 - Servers
 - Data stores
 - Load balancers and gateways
 - Monitoring and dashboards
 - Others

5.1.2 Discussion

• Describe the infrastructure you have found

6 Data architecture

6.1 Domain-driven design

6.1.1 Introduction

- Software methodology
 - Names in code must names used by the business
- Popularized in 2003 by Eric Evans in his book
- Simple guideline lead to extremely useful patterns

6.1.2 Bounded context

- Reasoning about complex business processes requires abstractions
 - A domain model implements these abstractions as code
- Abstractions, and hence models, have a limited applicability
- Bounded context makes this explicit
 - When creating a domain model, evaluate the scope of your design
 - Create sub-domains when you encounter them
 - Describe the bounds for your domain
- Bounded context is often a good candidate for Microservice boundaries

6.1.3 Ubiquitous language

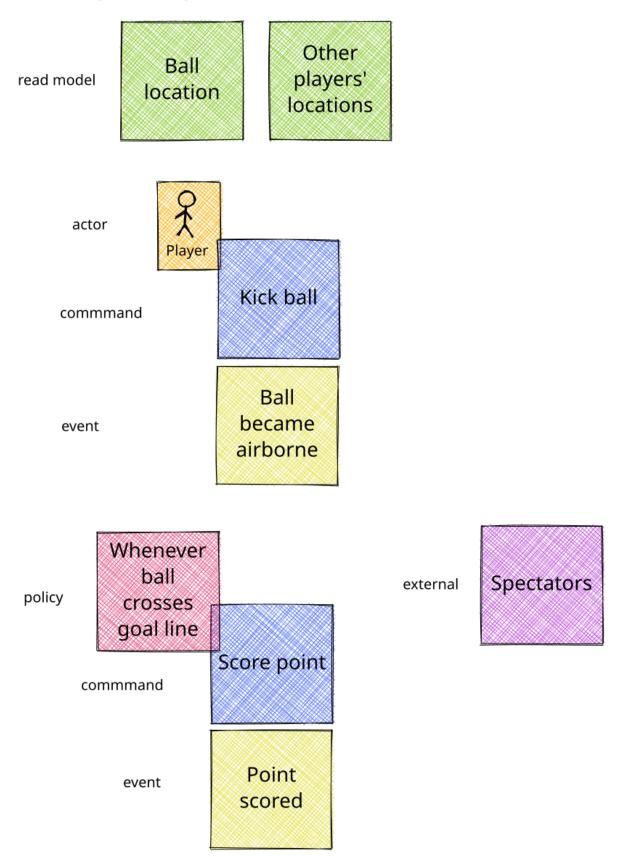
- We have a domain model, great!
- Added value comes from day-to-day conversations
 - Among developers
 - Between developers and the customer
 - Between developers and the user
- Is everyone speaking the same language?
- Ubiqutous language: All team members use important terms in the same way
 - Within a bounded context

6.1.4 Event storming workshop

- We need to quickly learn a new domain
 - Business process modeling and requirements gathering
 - Bring together domain experts and developers
 - Primary goal is a mutual understanding of the domain
- \bullet Discover events that occur in the business, and what triggers them
 - Business Event, e.g. a customer has applied for a loan
 - * A change has occurred (in your business or in the real world)
 - Command, e.g. create a new loan request
 - * A request or interaction to be made with a system (ours or external)
 - * Submitted by a user, or by an external system
 - Read model, e.g. customer account balance
 - * Information that a user or external system needs to base commands on
 - Actor, e.g. loan requester
 - * Role of a person submitting a command
 - Aggregate, e.g. Loan Application
 - * Entity(ies) of a business subdomain that should be viewed atomically
- Why do you think the focus is on *Events*, rather than *Aggregates*?

6.1.5 Event storming workshop (example)

• An small example of all concepts is here



6.2 Data design patterns

6.2.1 Idempotency

- Allow any failed or repeated action to be applied again
 - With the same result (if previously successful)
 - Without additional side effects that have business impact

• Example:

- New user is stored in our database, but afterwards we failed sending their welcome mail (SMTP server was down).
 - * Retry the database operation: User is already found, so instead we verify that the data matches
 - * Retry sending the mail: We know that we didn't send the mail yet, so we send it once more
- New user is stored, welcome mail is sent, but we failed updating our CRM system
 - * Retry the database operation: User is already found, so instead we verify that the data matches
 - * Retry sending the mail: We know that we've already sent this mail, so we simply do nothing
 - * Retry updating the CRM system

6.2.2 Event Sourcing

- Traditional relational database: CRUD
 - Update in place
- Change log, shadow table
- Turn it upside down: Event journal is the source of truth
 - Read from the event journal to create your query model
 - No more CRUD
 - Read from your event journal again: full-text search!
 - Read from your event journal again: business analytics!
- Event journal can even be a part of your API

6.2.3 Eventual consistency

- Traditional approach to consistency (transactions)
 - Data store hides concurrent modifications of multiple areas from each other, enforcing constraints
 - Modifications typically (hopefully) fail if attempting to modify the same data
 - Even within one data store, hard to get 100% right
 - Complexity skyrockets when trying to scale beyond one data store (distributed transactions, XA)
- Eventual consistency
 - Embrace the flow of data through the system hitting data stores at different times
 - Embrace real time as a parameter to affect business logic
 - * Is it OK if a document I just saved doesn't show in the list until 0.5 seconds later?
 - Apply **Idempotency** to all data store updates
 - Leverage **Event Sourcing** where possible

6.2.4 Command query responsibility segregation

- CQRS: Have two separate data models (and split your API accordingly)
 - A command model, for API calls that only change data (and do not return data)
 - A query model, for API calls that only return data (and do not change data)
- Builds on CQS (Command query separation). One method can only do one of two things:
 - Perform a *command*, by having side effects (and not returning a value)
 - Perform a query, returning a value (and not having side effects)
- We'll see CQS again

6.3 Data formats

6.3.1 XML

- Extensible Markup Language
- Composes very well
 - Namespaces prevent shadowing
 - Natural order of tags can be useful
- De facto schema standard (XSD) has unfortunate limitations
 - Hard to express "order does not matter"
 - Hard to express "this schema can be extended with extra tags and attributes"
 - Alternatives: schematron (alive) and relax-ng (dead?)
- Still, a very sensible default choice

6.3.2 JSON

```
{
  "invoice": {
    "id": "42",
    "issueDate": "2004-05-24",
    "legalMonetaryTotal": {
        "payableAmount": {
            "value": "52.00"
            "currencyID": "USD"
        }
}
```

```
}
}
}
```

- JavaScript Object Notation
- Started its life in the web browser (~2000)
 - XML inconvenient to deal with in Javascript back then (SAX API)
 - JSON could just be parsed as Javascript directly
- No namespaces
 - JSON is useless without context
- No (useful) types
 - JavaScript number is a technically a double-precision float (even though in JSON it can contain unlimited digits)
 - Even JSON schema does not remedy this
- No comments

6.3.3 Protobuf

```
message SearchRequest {
  required string query = 1;
  optional int32 page_number = 2;
  optional int32 result_per_page = 3;
}
```

- Very compact binary format
- Started at Google, today >70 implementations
- Built with organic versioning in mind
- Ideal for storing events of event sourcing (if you have a lot of them)

6.3.4 Designing for extensibility

• Use schemes and code lists instead of fixed enumerations

```
<InvoiceAmount currencyID="USD">42.00</InvoiceAmount>
```

- Use rich data objects instead of flat numeric values
 - e.g. Amount, Measurement, GeoCoordinate, Quantity
- Use namespaces and URIs where you can

7 Break(out) 3

7.1 Let's hold an event storming workshop

7.1.1 Domain scope

- Let's find a domain and scope for the events we want to discover
 - Is there a shared system, or domain, most of you have worked on?
 - Is there a shared system, or domain, most of you know is important for your business?

7.1.2 Alternative: Pet Shop

(skip if domain is found)

- Let's model a pet shop!
 - Our family owns a pet shop, which has a building that houses pets for sale
 - We regularly sell pets, and re-stock
 - Pets need to be fed
 - Some pets have special other needs
 - We only want to house cute pets!
- We want to automate as much as we can, and hence hold an event storming workshop

7.2 Event storming stages

7.2.1 Events

- Distribute orange post-its
- Remember, an event is in PAST TENSE, e.g.: Missiles have been launched User has subscribed to newsletter
- Designate a wall as space
 - Time flows roughly from left to right (where relevant)
- Start with "pivot" event in center
- Write other events that come to mind
 - Order with existing events, keeping time
 - Feel free to rename as discussions occur

7.2.2 Exploring our events

- Distribute blue, yellow, green and pink post-its
 - Blue: command
 - Yellow: actor
 - Pink: external system
 - Green: read model
- Remember, a command is in IMPERATIVE, e.g. Launch missiles Register user subscription request
- Select important events, that related to something a system could do for us
 - What command could cause this event? (blue)
 - Who or what can trigger this command?
 - * Who: Actor (yellow)
 - * What: External system (pink)
 - What information is needed to construct the command (green)

7.2.3 Aggregates

- What nouns have we discovered that are good candidates for aggregates?
 - Group the commands by aggregate
- What aggregates would be good candidates for microservices?

8 Wrapping up today

8.1 Let's do another round

8.1.1 Please share!

- Name one thing that you learned
- Name one thing that you knew already
- $\bullet\,$ Name one thing that surprised you

9 Start of day 2

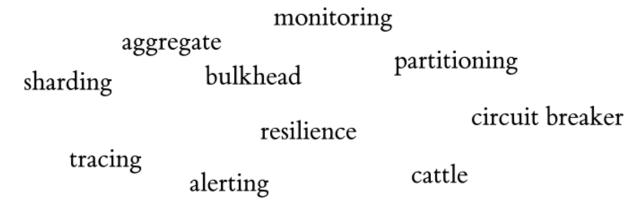
9.1 Getting started

9.1.1 Schedule, Day 2

Time	Duration	Activity	Weight
09:00	00:10	Welcome, Outline/Agenda	
09:10	00:10	Recap of day 1	
09:20	00:20	Getting your service used	
09:40	00:40	An introduction to REST	
10:20	00:30	(Break)out 4	
10:50	00:20	Discussion of breakout results	
11:10	00:60	REST patterns	
12:10	00:30	Lunch	
12:40	00:10	REST API examples	
12:50	00:30	(Break)out 5	
13:20	00:15	Discussions of breakout results	
13:35	00:20	Microservice life cycle	
13:55	00:10	Security architecture	
14:05	00:15	Strategy and team dynamics	
14:20	00:30	Group exercise (adoption)	
14:50	00:30	(Break)out 6	
15:20	00:30	Presentations of breakout results	
15:50	00:10	Wrap-up, reserved time for extra subjects	1

9.1.2 Recap of day 1

Who can tell us something about:



10 Getting your service used

10.1 Public API

10.1.1 An API is an interface

- Application Programming Interface
 - It's how external components affect what our service does
 - Better lay down some rules
- But our service is only used by our team, we don't need documentation!
- Ideal for test-first development
- Where do I put my private API?

10.1.2 Example API

- Let's look at an example API example API together
 - Its RAML source is available
- Semantic format for describing REST APIs: RAML, OpenAPI
 - RAML: YAML-based, better re-use, easier to write by hand
 - OpenAPI: JSON/YAML-based, more popular

10.1.3 Content-type negotiation

- Embrace content-type negotiation (XML and JSON, not XML or JSON)
- XML API:
 - Do create XSD for your data types, but communicate how it should be interpreted
 - Do you reserve the right to add new tags and attributes?
- JSON API:
 - Create JSON schemas for everything
 - In addition, verbosely describe all numeric types and their intended usage

10.2 Public developer guide

10.2.1 But I've written the documentation!

- Just a list of endpoints may not be enough for some developers
- Lot of context and assumed knowledge
 - Ubiquitous language may not extend to all new API users
 - Lack of experience with JSON, XML, HTTP headers

10.2.2 Different people, different learning styles

- Write a developer guide that describes typical scenarios from a user's perspective
 - How to get started (e.g. get an SSL certificate)
 - How to list widgets in XML or JSON
 - How to create a new widget
- There's no shame in taking an English technical writing course
- Pick tooling that suits your way of working (e.g. HTTPie, org-mode with org-babel, ...)

10.3 Public service dashboard

10.3.1 Priorities!

- What's the first thing you do when you get to your office?
- Users will be curious about your service status
 - If your users are internal, give them access to the actual dashboard
 - In fact, consider giving them access to your source code and issue tracker as well

10.3.2 Designing your dashboard

- Your dashboard should be showing
 - System metrics (load average, disk space, CPU usage, memory usage, network I/O, disk I/O)
 - Your process' metrics (CPU usage, memory usage)
 - Your VM's metrics (Heap committed, heap used, GC time, thread count, log count)
 - Your framework's metrics (HTTP server open connections, HTTP client open connections, response times, response errors)
 - Your business metrics (number of pets signed up, total invoice amount, size of received chat messages)
- For each environment, after a few days examine the graphs
 - Establish a baseline, and create an alert for each metric

11 An introduction to REST

11.1 REST philosophy

- World-wide web (1990): HTTP over internet, with hypermedia (HTTP)
 - Unprecedented scaling
 - Applications (e.g. Facebook, Amazon) can develop continuously without clients (browsers) breaking
 - * (at least, until they figured out native clients means no ad-blockers...)
 - Managed to survive 20+ years in a wild changing landscape, with limited technical debt
 - * Most of HTTP and HTML are still relevant
- Apparently, it's possible to perform heterogeneous systems integration without any
 - legal contracts,
 - deep specifications, or
 - personal knowledge
- Try pulling that off in your enterprise!

11.2 REST principles

- Apply the WWW success for system-to-system communication
 - RE presentational S tate T ransfer
- Request-based from *client* to *server*
 - Distinctly separated roles that two systems or actors play when handling a request
- Stateless
 - Request contains all information needed to process it (instead of, e.g. the TCP connection socket)

- Caching
 - Responses must clearly state, and have sensible defaults, on how content can be cached
- Uniform interface
 - All components are accessed the same way
- Layered system
 - Intermediaries can be transparently inserted between client and server (load balancers, proxies, security gateways, . . .)

11.3 Resources

In REST, the *client* accesses a resource on the server, through a request.

A resource:

- Is a noun, e.g. user, invoice, setting, but also transaction, order status, or deletion process
- Can have several representations, e.g. XML, JSON, HTML, picture, small, large
- Is accessed through one or several URLs
 - /users/15, /users/latest, /users?name=Santa might all return the same resource
- Is interacted with through a limited set of verbs (more on that later)

Remember your event storming workshop?

11.4 An introduction to HTTP

- Text-based protocol over TCP
 - Client sends a request (with verb, headers, and optional body)
 - Server sends a response (with status line, headers, and optional body)
 - (since HTTP 1.1) Client sends a new request, etc.

Client sends:

GET /cats/latest?fur=white&size=small

Accept: image/png

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0

Response then comes in:

200 OK

Content-Type: image/png Content-Length: 53748

[...kitten goes here...]

11.4.1 HTTP Verbs

• Predefined verbs imply important caching and retry semantics

Verb	Safe to retry?	Idempotent?	Request body?	Response body?	Cache response?
GET	yes	yes	-	yes	yes
HEAD	yes	yes	-	-	yes
PUT	-	yes	yes	-	-
POST	-	-	sometimes	sometimes	-
DELETE	_	yes	-	-	-

- Why wouldn't PUT or DELETE be safe to retry?
- Rest is not RPC

11.4.2 Example HTTP status codes

The *status line* contains a code and then a short description. The description is not predescribed, and sometimes contains useful information.

- 200 OK
 - The request succeeded. Typically a response body is present.
- 201 Created
 - The request succeeded, and a new resource was created as a result.
- 204 No Content
 - The request succeeded, but no content is available.
- 302 Found
 - The resource was found at a different URL, which is returned in the Location header.
- 404 Not Found
 - The resource does not exist. This does *not* necessarily mean that an API endpoint does not exist.

This is not a full list. See the HTTP official status codes or a more graphically-accessible variant.

11.4.3 Example HTTP Headers

- Accept: image/*
 - Sent in a request to indicate the MIME types that the client prefers for this request (but there's no guarantee)
- Content-type: image/png
 - Sent in a request or response to indicate the actual MIME type of the body
- Content-length: 5124
 - Sent in a request or response to indicate the size of the body in bytes (if known)
- Last-Modified: Wed, 21 Oct 2015 07:28:00 GMT
 - Sent in a response to indicate when that resource was last changed

This is not a full list.

11.5 REST API design

- Find resources for your domain
 - Perhaps using an Event Storming workshop (from Domain-Driven Design)
- Use CQRS (Command Query Response Segregation)
 - Find representations for those resources (current state and/or events): GET
 - Find commands affecting those resources (creation, modification, transactions): POST, PUT, PATCH, DELETE
- Size limits on everything (do we need to stream or read it in memory?)
- XML, JSON, CSV, text, protobuf (more content-type negotiation later)
- Decide on a Service Level Objective for your API (yes, already now)

12 Break(out) 4

12.1 Finding REST services

12.1.1 Assignment

- Divide into teams
- Find documentation of a REST web service
 - Preferably: Internally published in your company
 - Otherwise: Publicly on the internet, examples: e-conomic, twitter, github, AWS, flickr
- Create a full example request
 - Request headers and (if relevant) body
 - Response status line, headers, and (if relevant) body
 - Bonus points if you can actually execute the request!

12.1.2 Presentation of results

- Show us the services you found
- How did you find the quality of documentation?

13 A selection of REST patterns

13.1 Resource tags and caching

13.1.1 Resources have versions

• Servers can include an ETag, which specifies which version of a resource is being served

GET http://example.com/widgets/15

200 OK

Content-Type: application/json

ETag: "524"

- No guarantees are made about the content of ETag, but often APIs will document what it represents, e.g.
 - A timestamp of some sort
 - A monotonically-increasing number
 - A hash of the latest content

13.1.2 Conditionally retrieving a resource

- If the latest ETag we have seen is "524", we can poll for changes
- The If-None-Match header will only execute our request if the ETag has changed

GET http://example.com/widgets/15 If-None-Match: 524

304 Not Modified

• The server will not send any response if the resource is still at this version

13.1.3 Optimistic offline lock

- The ETag is also useful to make sure nobody else has edited a resource that we're writing back
- The If-Match header will only execute our request if the ETag matches

```
PUT http://example.com/widgets/15
If-Match: 12345
Content-Type: application/json
{ /* ... some content ..* }
```

13.1.4 Resources can be modified

412 Precondition Failed

- Servers can include a Last-Modified tag, which specifies when a resource was last changed
- This can be useful in addition to an ETag tag

```
GET http://example.com/widgets/15
```

200 OK

Content-Type: application/json

ETag: "524"

Last-Modified: Wed, 21 Oct 2015 07:28:00 GMT

- Request header exist that perform checks against the last-modified date, like ETag:
 - If-Modified-Since executes the request only if the last-modified is past the given date
 - If-Unmodified-Since executes the request only if the last-modified is at most the given date

13.1.5 Preventing caching

- For service-to-service REST calls, we generally don't worry about caching
- For web browsers, we often want to disallow caching of REST responses
 - Include Cache-Control: no-cache

13.2 Content-type negotiation

13.2.1 Resource representation

- The same REST URI is allowed to have several representations
 - XML, JSON or Protobuf
 - Short or long
 - Version 1 or version 2

13.2.2 Specifying resource representation

- The server specifies the representation of a resource
 - The Content-Type resource header
- This is typically a well-known value
 - text/xml
 - application/json
 - application/protobuf

- But it doesn't have to be
 - application/vnd.example.myresource.v1+json
 - application/vnd.example.myresource.v2+json
 - application/vnd.example.myresource.short+json
 - application/vnd.example.myresource.long+json

13.2.3 Requesting a resource type

- The client sends an Accept header with the representations it wants/understands
- In case of a single representation:

GET http://localhost/myresource
Accept: application/json

• In case multiple representations are alright (order has no semantic meaning):

GET http://localhost/myresource
Accept: application/json, text/xml

• Multiple representations are alright, but preference for xml:

GET http://localhost/myresource
Accept: application/json;q=0.9, text/xml

13.2.4 Serving resource alternatives

- Content-type negotiation is complex to implement
- How easy it is to support depends on your framework
 - Spring Boot has many different ways to manage resource representation
 - * Look into HttpMessageConverter, so you can take control
 - Others, e.g. akka-http has a marshaling infrastructure that directly models content-type negotiation

13.3 Asynchronous and long-running processes

13.3.1 Case: REST API to represent workflow instances

- Start a new workflow
- See which human is working on the case
- Quickly resume if system is working on the case

13.3.2 REST is about resources

- For slow-running processes, make the process itself a resource, e.g.
 - /workflows/
 - /transactions/
 - /cases/
- You can now reason about individual processes
 - Query state, affect them, delete them, see changes

13.3.3 Observing change on one resource

- Tell client to periodically poll
 - Use If-None-Match for early exit
 - Use heavy caching on the server-side to reply to polls as early as possible

13.3.4 Observing change on a set of resources

- Build your system using Event Sourcing
- Expose your event journal (or a light, or filtered version) as a REST resource
 - This can be done regardless of storage (JDBC, Cassandra, Kafka)
- Various candidates for the data format
 - Plain

GET http://localhost/journal/events?since=Wed+May+26+11:59:05+2021+UTC&limit=50 Accept: application/json

• Hanging GET

GET http://localhost/journal/events?since=Wed+May+26+11:59:05+2021+UTC&limit=50&maxwait=60000 Accept: application/json

• Server-sent events (SSE)

GET http://localhost/journal/events?since=Wed+May+26+11:59:05+2021+UTC Accept: text/event-stream

• Web sockets

GET http://localhost/journal/events?since=Wed+May+26+11:59:05+2021+UTC

Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Key: x3JJHMbDL1EzLkh9GBhXDw==
Sec-WebSocket-Protocol: chat, superchat

Sec-WebSocket-Version: 13

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Upgrade: websocket Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Accept: HSmrcOsMlYUkAGmm5OPpG2HaGWk=

Sec-WebSocket-Protocol: chat

13.4 Multi-dimensional versioning

13.4.1 Semantic versioning in REST

- Often used for library dependencies and packaged software releases
- Version number has three parts (major, minor, patch): version 2.0.15
 - A new release always must have a new version
 - If a release has no new functionality (only bugfixes), increase the patch
 - If a release has new functionality that doesn't break API promises, increase the minor
 - $-\,$ If a release has new breaking functionality, increase the $\it major$
- How does this relate to REST?

13.4.2 Semantic versioning in REST (cont.)

- How does this relate to REST?
 - It doesn't!
 - REST is a call to a remote system
 - * Could be deploying new versions multiple times per day
 - The whole point is the client doesn't want (or need) to see those
- OK, what do we do instead?
 - Version across all HTTP dimensions

13.4.3 Versioning in body structure

- Many extensions fit fine into existing body structure
 - Adding of fields
 - Adding of values to enumerations or code lists
- If DDD has done its work, terminology should mostly hold

13.4.4 Versioning in content type

- If a breaking change is needed
- It might be limited to only one content type
- Client requests old version:

GET http://localhost/myresource

Accept: application/vnd.example.myresource.v1+json

• Client requests new version:

GET http://localhost/myresource

Accept: application/vnd.example.myresource.v2+json

13.4.5 Versioning in query parameters

- Don't do this
 - Query parameters affect which and what resource(s) are returned, not how
- The meaning of query parameters may themselves be versioned

13.4.6 Versioning in path

GET http://localhost/service/versions/1/myresource

- Often used as first choice
- Should be your last resort:
 - Your path is the name of your resource
 - Your DDD workshop (probably) didn't event storm about "versions"
 - Your system (probably) doesn't have 2 complete implementations
 - This does often not reflect reality

13.4.7 Versioning using custom headers

- Client sends a custom header of the API version they've implemented against
- Server sends a custom header of the API version that's current
- This does kinda work
- Fairly weak way to work around actually dealing with semantic changes and compatibility

14 REST API Examples

14.1 Examples of REST design

14.1.1 Github

14.1.2 Github: Search for issues

Notes:

- Using a custom content-type to indicate a special flavor of JSON
- Relying on GET to indicate a read request

14.1.3 AWS

```
GET https://ec2.amazonaws.com/?Action=RunInstances&ImageId=ami-2bb65342&MaxCount=3&MinCount=1&  
    Placement.AvailabilityZone=us-east-1a&Monitoring.Enabled=true&Version=2016-11-15&X-Amz-Alg  
    orithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIDEXAMPLE%2F20130813%2Fus-east-1%2Fec2%2Faws4_r  
    equest&X-Amz-Date=20130813T150206Z&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=content-type%3Bhost%3Bx-amz-date&X-  
    Amz-Signature=525d1a96c69b5549dd78dbbec8efe264102288b83ba87b7d58d4b76b71f59fd2

200 OK
[... lots of json ...]
```

14.1.4 AWS: Create EC2 instance

Notes:

- a GET verb is used to have side effects!
- No resource representation of the actual server to be created
- Proprietary authentication mechanism, and using the URL for this

14.1.5 Flickr

```
GET http://api.flickr.com/services/rest/?method=flickr.photos.search&api_key=xxx&text=trysil&f |
→ ormat=rest&auth_token=xxx&api_sig=xxx
Accept: text/xml
200 OK
Content-Type: text/xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<rsp stat="ok">
    <photos page="1" pages="121" perpage="100" total="12050">
        <photo id="12185296515" owner="110367434@N02" secret="7bf83bc507" server="3714"</pre>
         → farm="4" title="#wall #clock #wood #old #Norway #Trysil #travel #travelling"
         \hookrightarrow ispublic="1" isfriend="0" isfamily="0" />
        <photo id="12185880206" owner="110367434@N02" secret="c8042c1764" server="7382"</pre>

    farm="8" title="Good morning!

                                             #Norway #Trysil #window #snow #beautiful
            #landscape #travel #travelling #polar #expedition" ispublic="1" isfriend="0"
            isfamily="0" />
        <photo id="11793639173" owner="40644602@NO8" secret="ba2bdabf5c" server="7451"</pre>
         \rightarrow farm="8" title="by beateorten http://ift.tt/1dHDdQL" ispublic="1" isfriend="0"

    isfamily="0" />

    </photos>
</rsp>
```

14.1.6 Flickr's image search

Notes:

- Overloading of methods in the request URL
- Overloading of content type in the request URL
- Overloading of HTTP status code in the response
- No obvious way to explore the API further (how do I load a photo?)

15 Break(out) 5

15.1 Designing an API

15.1.1 Write a RAML or OpenAPI description for a pet store API

- We're writing a pet store automation system, and need to be able to register, find, and sell pets.
- We need APIs to:
 - Register a newly purchased pet
 - Register the feeding of pets
 - Search pets according to customer preferences
 - Register the sale of a pet
- RAML
 - example: https://raml.org/developers/raml-200-tutorial
 spec: https://github.com/raml-org/raml-spec/blob/master/versions/raml-10/raml-10.md
 online editor: https://raml-org.github.io/playground/learn_raml.html

• OpenAPI

- spec: https://spec.openapis.org/oas/latest.htmla
- online editor: https://editor.swagger.io/

15.1.2 Discussion

- One team makes their RAML or OpenAPI file available
- Another team then tell us how to:
 - Register a newly purchased pet
 - Register the feeding of pets
 - Search pets according to customer preferences
 - Register the sale of a pet

16 Micro service life cycle

16.1 Dependency management

16.1.1 Developing a new service

- I want to write a new micro service!
 - I need a database, a queue, the filesystem for some caching
 - Oh, and I'm talking to twitters API, and our home-grown analytics API
- How do I deal with these dependencies during day-to-day development?
 - "Leaf" dependencies: often OK to run directly (e.g. data stores)
 - "Node" dependencies (other microservices): often have dependencies of their own
 - * You know its API, right?
 - * Mock it! Wiremock, or any simple http server

16.1.2 Running dependencies

- Maintain a docker-compose file for your project
 - Real dependencies: they're probably on docker-hub already
 - Mocks: use the build feature if needed
- New developers can get started instantly

16.2 Extending a service

16.2.1 Developing a new feature

- Don't hide your new feature on a branch
- Release early and often
 - But only activate it in certain environments and/or users
- Feature flag
- A/B testing

16.3 Testing

16.3.1 Unit tests OK, Integration tests not

graphics/tests.mp4

16.3.2 Introducing bugs

- Rate of bugs introduced into systems are a function of
 - Developer experience
 - Development environment (physical and technological)
 - Methodology

16.3.3 Finding bugs

- Fixing bugs is more expensive, the later they are found
 - While writing code: just think of different solution
 - While code is in review: communication, context switch, and the above
 - While code is in user testing: (much) more communication, context switch, and all the above
 - After code is released: (even) more communication, impact analysis in data, and all the above

16.3.4 Preventing bugs

- Test at different layers
 - On code itself: Pair programming
 - On one unit (e.g. class): *Unit tests*. Run in seconds.
 - On one service (e.g. rest API): Component tests. Run in tens of seconds.
 - On a suite of services (e.g. UI): End-to-end tests. Run in minutes.
 - On your entire infrastructure: Smoke tests. Run periodically, on production, with external dependencies

16.4 Deployment

16.4.1 Getting your service out there

"All software has a test environment. Some software is lucky to have a separate production environment as well."

• unknown

16.4.2 Doing deployments

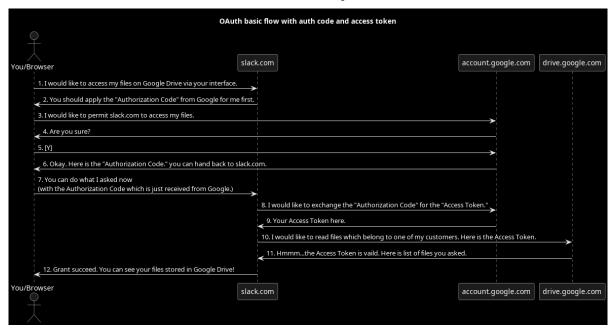
- Automate the environments themselves (terraform, vagrant, ...)
- All deployments to all environments must be automated
- It's OK to have gatekeepers, e.g.
 - After a PR is merged, automatic deploys are done to dev and test environments
 - The prod environment requires a manual button press
- Forward deploy only
 - Rollbacks are a pain
 - Your next deploy is only minutes away
 - Emergencies should be rare (testing, early release, multiple environments)

17 Security architecture

17.1 Authentication patterns

17.1.1 User-to-service authentication

- I want code running on a user's computer to call me (let's assume web browser)
- OpenID Connect, simplified flow:
 - 1. Resource owner wants client to log on to authorization server
 - 2. Client is redirected to authorization server
 - 3. User verifies trust of authorization server and logs on
 - 4. Authorization server redirects client back (with authorization code)
 - 5. Client contacts resource owner with code
 - 6. Resource owner exchanges code for token
 - 7. Token can be used in Authorization: Bearer http header



17.1.2 Service-to-service authentication

- I want code running on other backend services to call me (outside of the context of a user)
- Mutual TLS
 - Server has a certificate, proving it's who it claims
 - * Client has established trust on a root certificate, having signed the server certificate
 - Client has a certificate, proving it's who it claims
 - * Server has established trust on a root certificate, having signed the client certificate
- In practice
 - Create (or purchase) a root certificate for your business, lock it tight
 - Create intermediate CAs for particular roles, e.g. for singing micro-services
 - Use Certificate Signing Requests to reflect real business flow
 - For your service clients
 - * Have server sign client certificates directly
 - * Or, delegate to an intermediate CA, and implement whitelisting
- Confirm that OCSP (Online Certificate Status Protocol) can be used to revoke certificates

17.2 Implementation

17.2.1 Authorization checks

- Prefer to keep internal to service
- Replicate user memberships through event sourcing
- Synchronous calls least favorable choice

18 Strategy and team dynamics

18.1 Succeeding with microservices

18.1.1 Microservices and agile

- Embrace change
- Team visibility
- Stakeholder support
- Team(s) in same time zone as stakeholders (which includes users)
 - Distributed users? distributed team!
- Conway's Law

18.1.2 Migrating your monolith

- Chainsaw anti-pattern
- Strangler pattern
- Modules

18.1.3 Do we need a separate dev/ops team? (no)

- Automate everything (rolling production deploy)
- Deploy in the morning, monitor your dashboards
- However, "infra tooling" or "platform" team can be helpful
- The same holds for the "DBA" team

18.2 Group exercise

18.2.1 Microservice adoption brainstorm

- Distribute post-its
- Write one post-it for: In my daily work, I expect THIS to be most helpful in writing microservices
- Write one post-it for: In my daily work, I expect THIS to be the biggest blocker for writing microservices

18.2.2 Gather results

- Two white board sections
 - Drivers
 - Challenges
- Put up your post-it, read aloud, and explain

18.2.3 Discussion

- Are there patterns to the drivers and challenges?
- What can we do to retain and strengthen the drivers?
- What can we do to remove the challenges?

19 Break(out) 6

19.1 Finding microservice candidates

19.1.1 Brainstorm

- Are there monoliths or other systems related to you or your team, that could benefit from microservices?
- Lets create a list of *large* systems that you know of:

System name	Developer count	Lines of code

- Hint: Lines of code git ls-files | xargs wc -1
- Hint: Developer count git shortlog -s -n --all

19.1.2 Strategy

- Which of these systems have changes planned in the next year?
- Which of these systems have frequent bugs?
- Which of these systems do developers hesitate to make big changes to?

System name	Activities

19.1.3 Design

- Divide into teams
- Pick one system and activity, and design a microservice that implements part of that domain
 - What surrounding data stores do you need to create?
 - How do the existing system and the microservice talk to each other?
 - Who maintains the existing system and microservice going forward?

20 Interesting links

https://world.hey.com/joaoqalves/disasters-i-ve-seen-in-a-microservices-world-a9137a51 https://copyconstruct.medium.com/testing-in-production-the-safe-way-18ca102d0ef1

21 Notes

- Add rabbitMQ stream example
- Pure function example (split up business logic and side effects)
- Screen sharing of others??
- Draw the UML diagram from https://developer.okta.com/blog/2019/08/22/okta-authjs-pkce
- Add HTTP cats https://http.cat/401
- Add comics