

GRASS-ROOTS microservices

(I had some and I didn't know)

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What's that?

- Overall system split into parts
- Each part focuses on a “single” business service
 - The actual meaning of **single** depends on the context
- Single Responsibility Principle applied to architecture

MICROSERVICES

A close-up photograph of a woman with blonde hair, looking upwards with a confused or surprised expression. She is framed by a yellow caution tape with black diagonal stripes, similar to that used at crime scenes. The background is dark and out of focus.

What is this?



MANY TIMES,
THINGS
LOOK
DIFFERENT
FROM WHAT
THEY ARE...

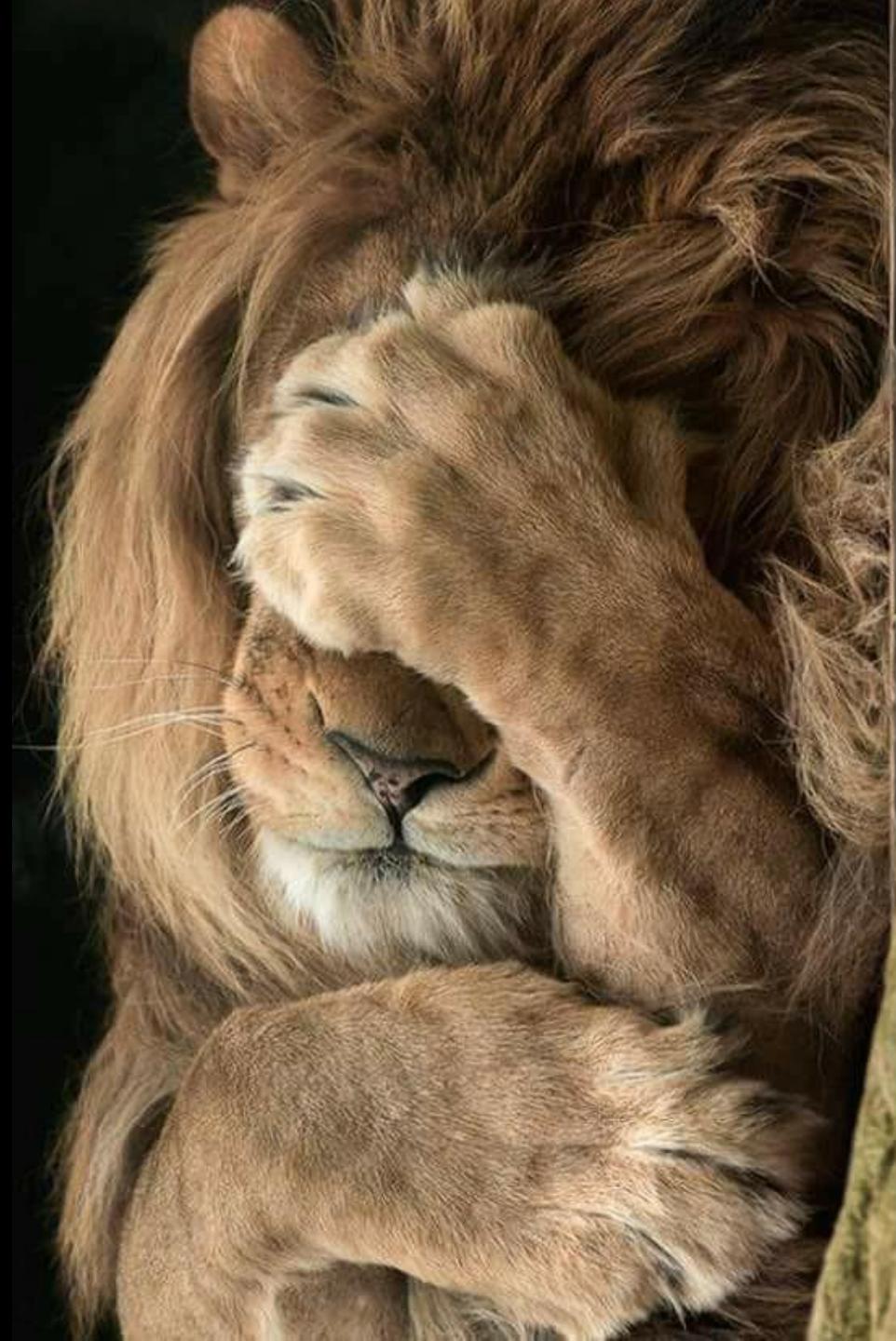
MICROSERVICE

A particular way of designing software applications as suites of independently deployable services.

- Run in dedicated process
- Communicate through lightweight mechanisms
- Simplified and automated deployment
- Decentralized control of languages and data

IN OTHER WORDS ...

SOA
JUST MADE
SIMPLER



- ❑ Tenet 1: **Boundaries are explicit.**
- ❑ Tenet 2: **Services are autonomous.**
- ❑ Tenet 3: **Services share schema & contract, not class.**
- ❑ Tenet 4: **Service compatibility is based upon policy.**

Wasn't this just SOA?

- Service-oriented Architecture
 - Primarily about reuse of business services
 - Coarse-grained and made of conceptually bigger components
 - Purpose of making the architecture more efficient and scalable
- Microservices
 - Primarily about team organization and replaceability of functions
 - Fine-grained, devisable as internal components of large business services
 - Purpose of making single pieces easier to replace and scale

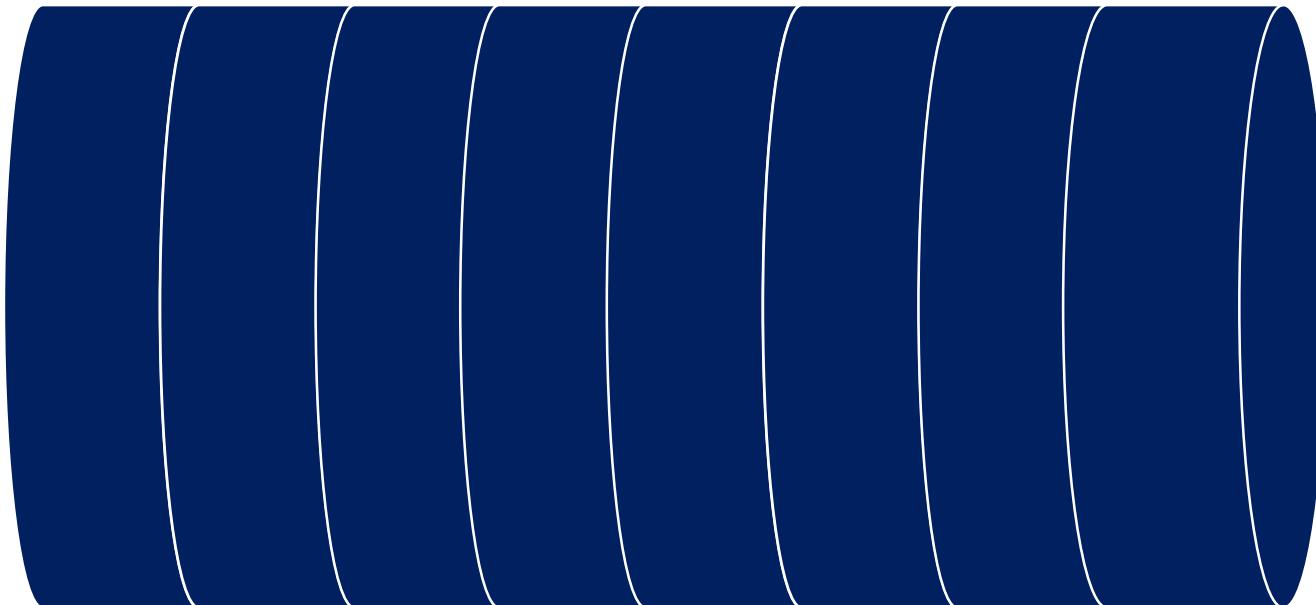
Perspectives of Scalability

- SOA
 - We build an overall scalable architecture
- Microservices
 - We create independently scalable smaller components and build an overall scalable architecture by harmonizing the scalability of constituent blocks

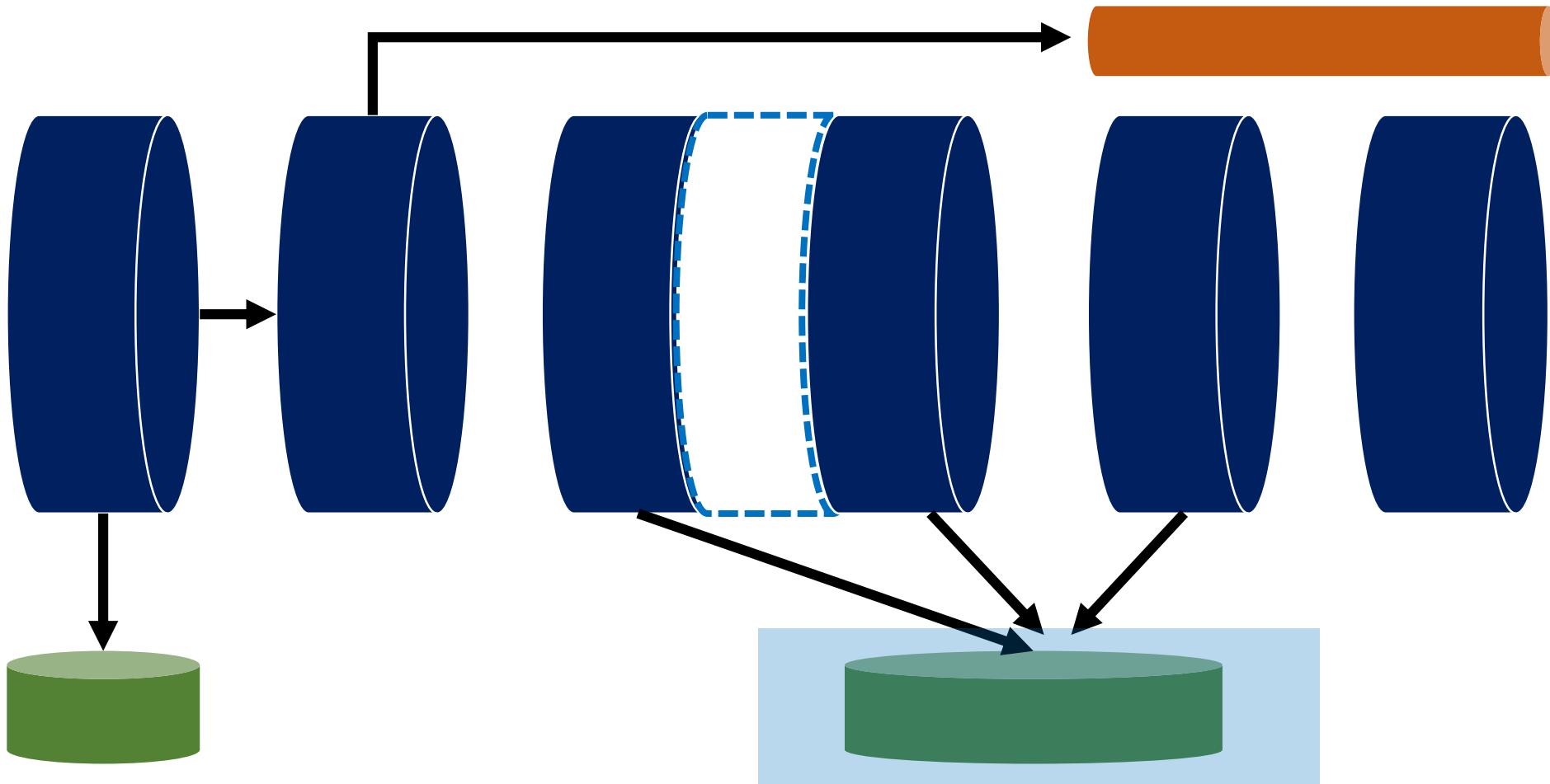
MONOLITHIC APPLICATION



SEGMENTED APPLICATION



BOUNDED CONTEXT to MICROSERVICE



Challenges of Modern Software

- Easy to replace
 - Rewrite entire sections from scratch to add functions and/or switch to a different stack of technologies
- Easy to deploy
 - Frequent releases require the certainty of being able to deploy quickly and reliably without side effects and regression
 - Update individual blocks as soon as they get ready
- Easy to scale
 - Scalability at a finer level of granularity

At a Glance

- Independent vertical stacks of logic and data
- Independently packaged and deployed
- Communicating (if necessary) in some way
 - Mostly and preferably via API

“Organizations which design systems are constrained to produce designs which are copies of the communication structures of these organizations.”

Melvin Conway, 1967

Teams and Microservices

- One team gets one (**family of**) microservice(s)
 - Actual size and granularity **always** depend on the project and organization
- Bounded Context in DDD
 - Theoretical foundation of microservices
- Common implementation
 - One team responsible for global technology stack
 - Each team free to make decisions and select tools and technologies
 - High autonomy, little coupling with other teams

DOMAIN-DRIVEN DESIGN

Strategic Design

Ubiquitous
language

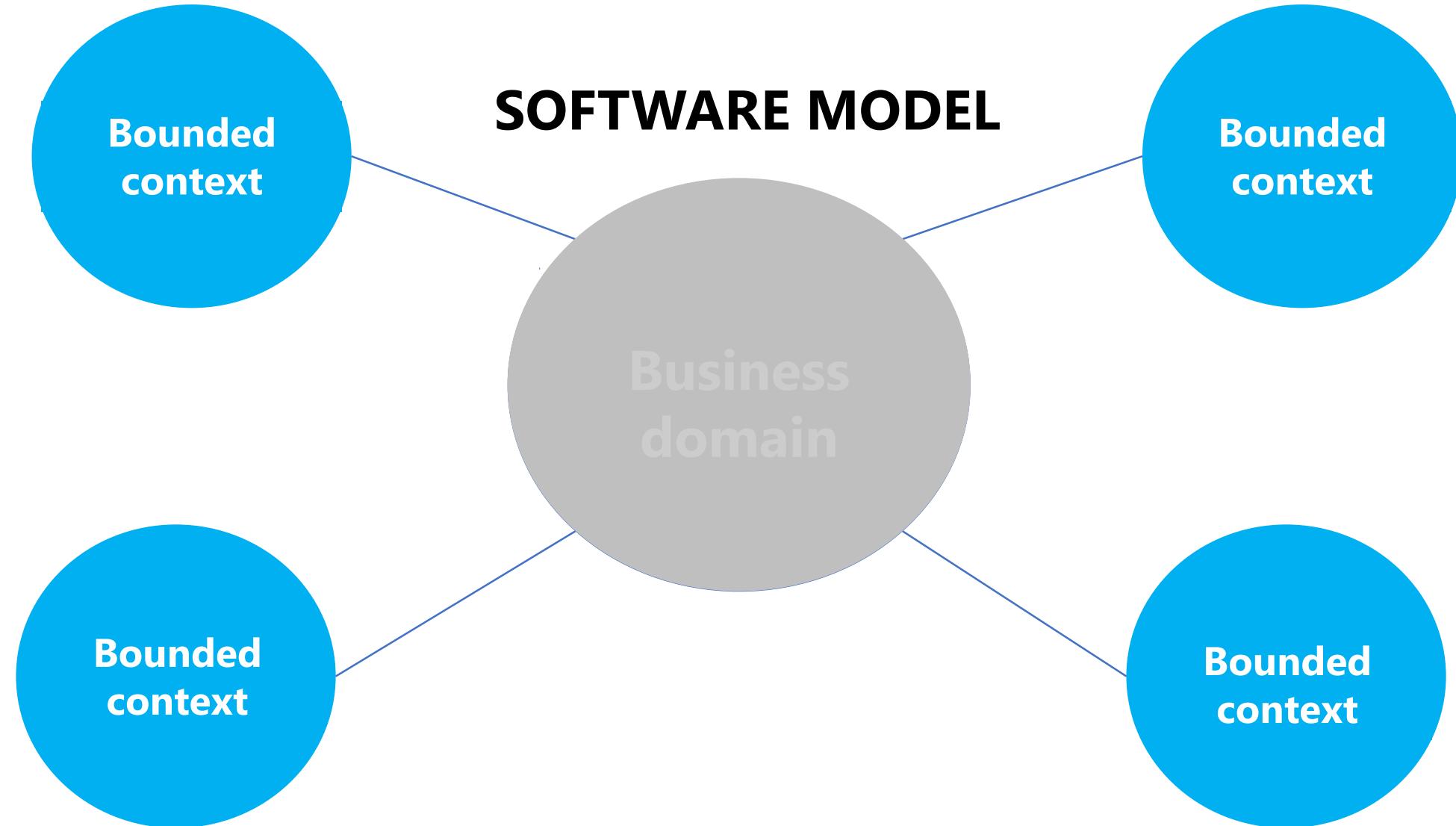
Bounded
contexts

Implementation

Domain model

Layered
architecture

SOFTWARE MODEL



Bounded Context

Ubiquitous language

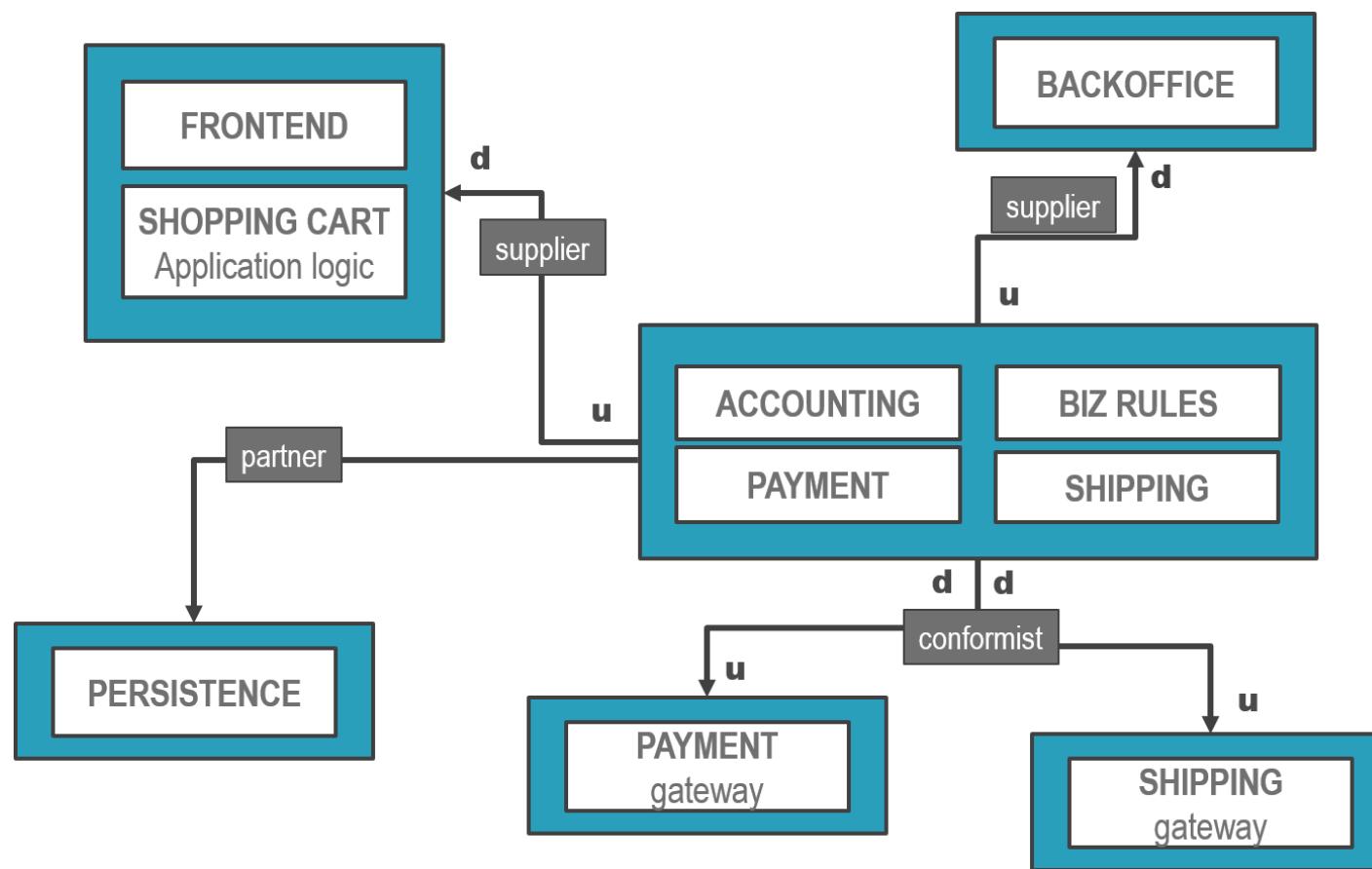
Independent
implementation

External interface
(to other contexts)

Why Having Bounded Contexts

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- The diagram consists of five horizontal bars, each containing a white circle and text. The circles are connected by thin orange lines. The colors of the bars correspond to the circles: orange, grey, yellow, blue, and green.
- Functional areas of the application that are better treated separately
 - Same term meaning different things to different people
 - Same term used to indicate different elements
 - Dependency on external subsystems
 - Dependency on legacy code

CONTEXT MAP



Mapping Processes to Microservices

Independence of Microservices

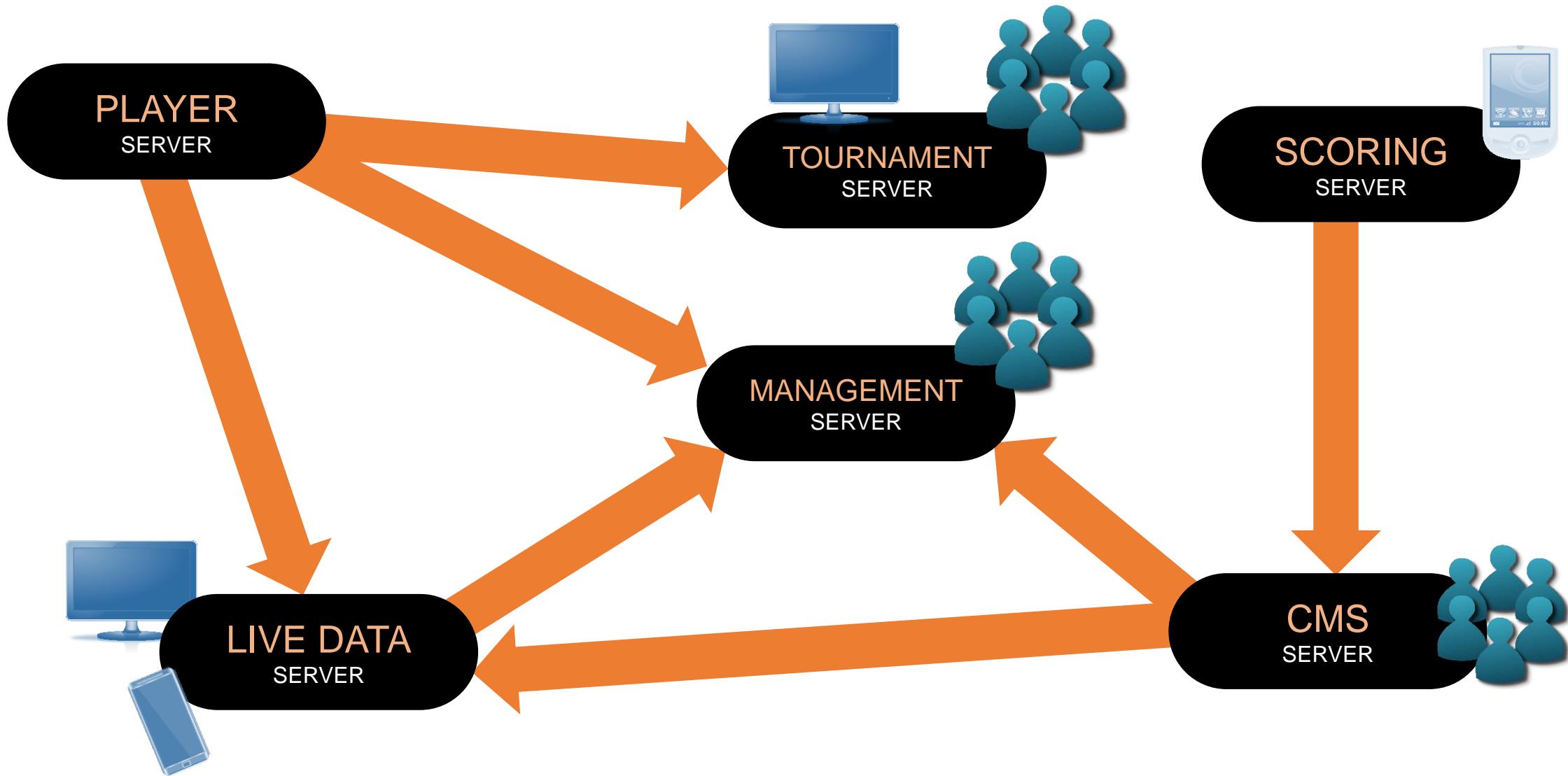
- Lifecycle
 - Each microservice has its own implementation and stack
 - Can (ideally) be deployed without synchronization with other teams
- Contracted interface
 - Stable interfaces for communicating
 - Versioning
- Data storage
 - Owner of its data, data duplication is not an issue
 - May keep local copies of global data

Interaction between Microservices

- **Communication**
 - Connected microservices should expect communication to be async
 - Critical microservices should be isolated in multiple pools so that if one fails operations can continue
- **Robustness**
 - Build microservices to be resilient to errors and always try to recover
 - Assume you absorb in some way the failure of connected services
- **Functional scalability**
 - Each microservice takes the resources it needs to work as expected
 - Independent scalability

When You Get Microservices (and you didn't know)

SAY YOU'RE A STARTUP

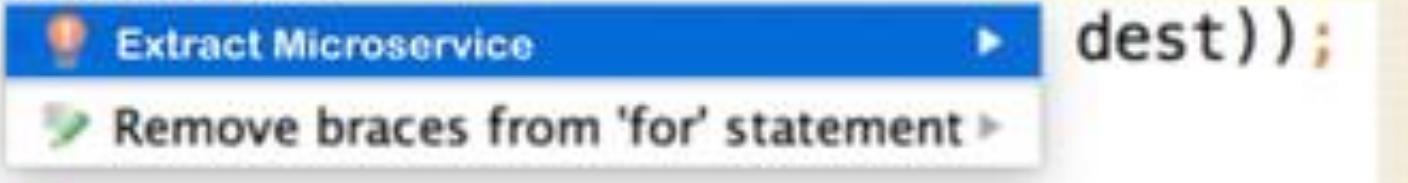


The reason we **ended up** to microservices has to do much more with **productivity** than pure technical matters or **technologies**.

It had to do much more with **common sense** and attitude to solve **concrete** (and small) business problems than religion or **design** for big-scale.

Every method is a Microservice

```
for (Double amount : amounts) {  
    result.add(amount  
}  
return result;
```



The image shows a Java code snippet within an IDE. A context menu is open over the body of a for-loop. The menu items are: 'Extract Microservice' (highlighted in blue), 'dest)) ;', and 'Remove braces from 'for' statement'. The code itself is as follows:

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}  
return result;
```

Humphrey's Law

The user of the software won't know what she wants until she sees the software.

Wegner's Lemma

An interactive system can never be fully specified nor can it ever be fully tested.



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