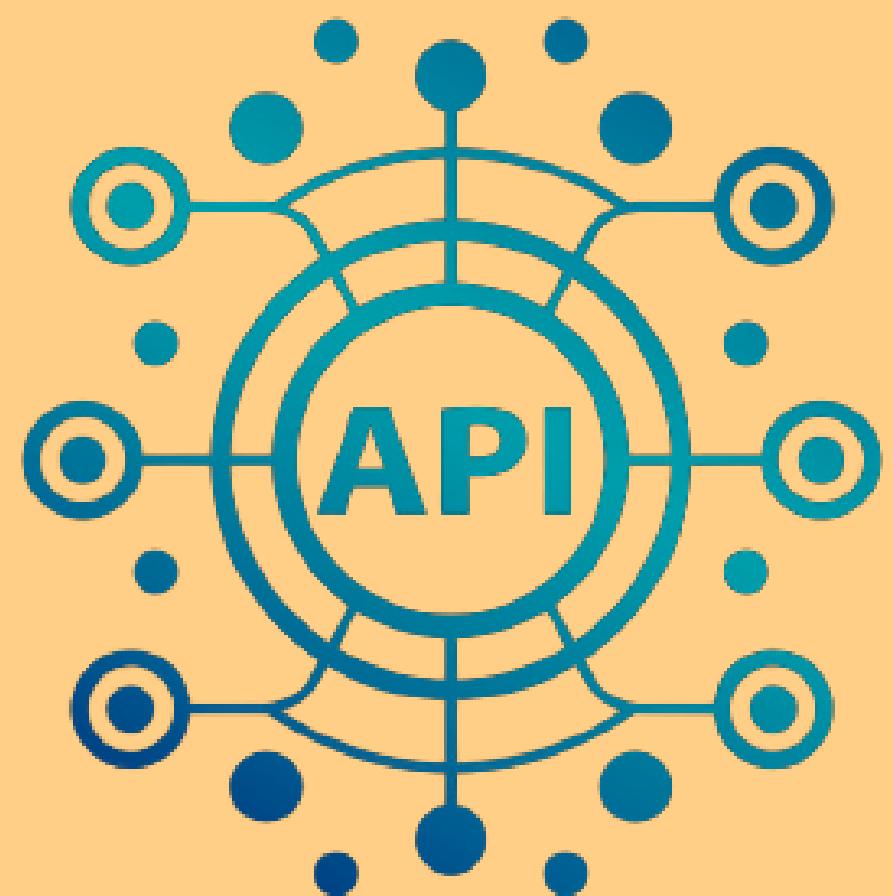


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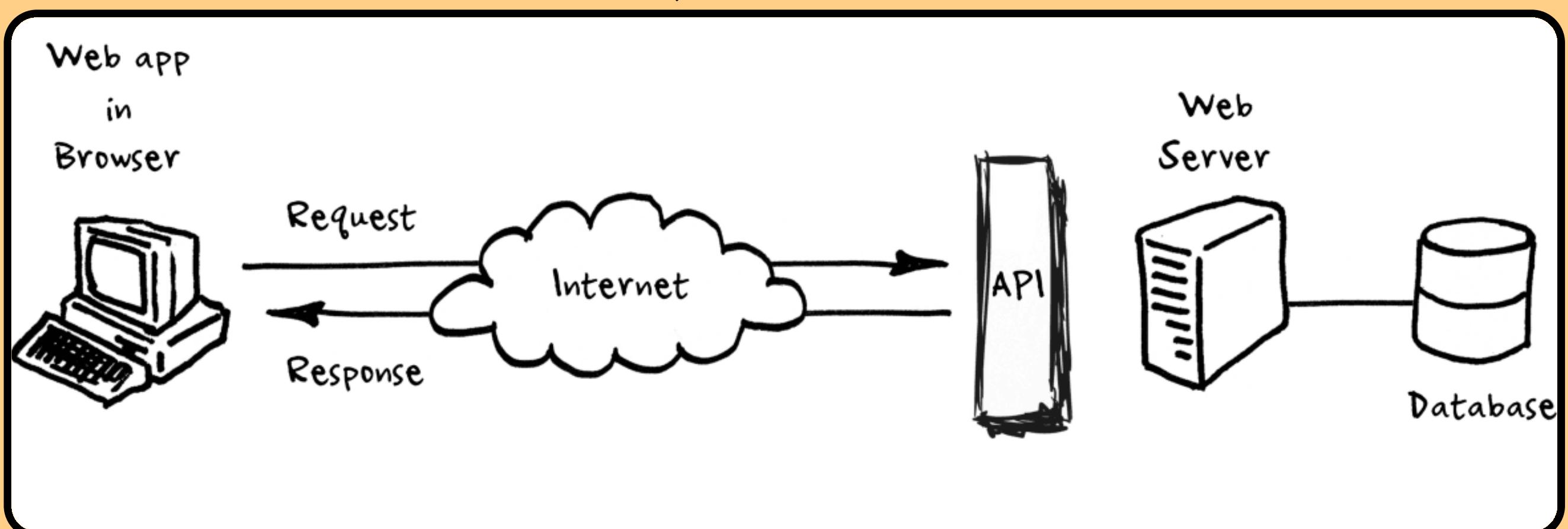
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What are APIs?

APIs (Application Programming Interfaces) are a **set of rules and protocols** that allow different software systems to communicate and share information with each other. They act as a bridge between different systems, allowing them to **share data and functionality**.

Here is how an API works

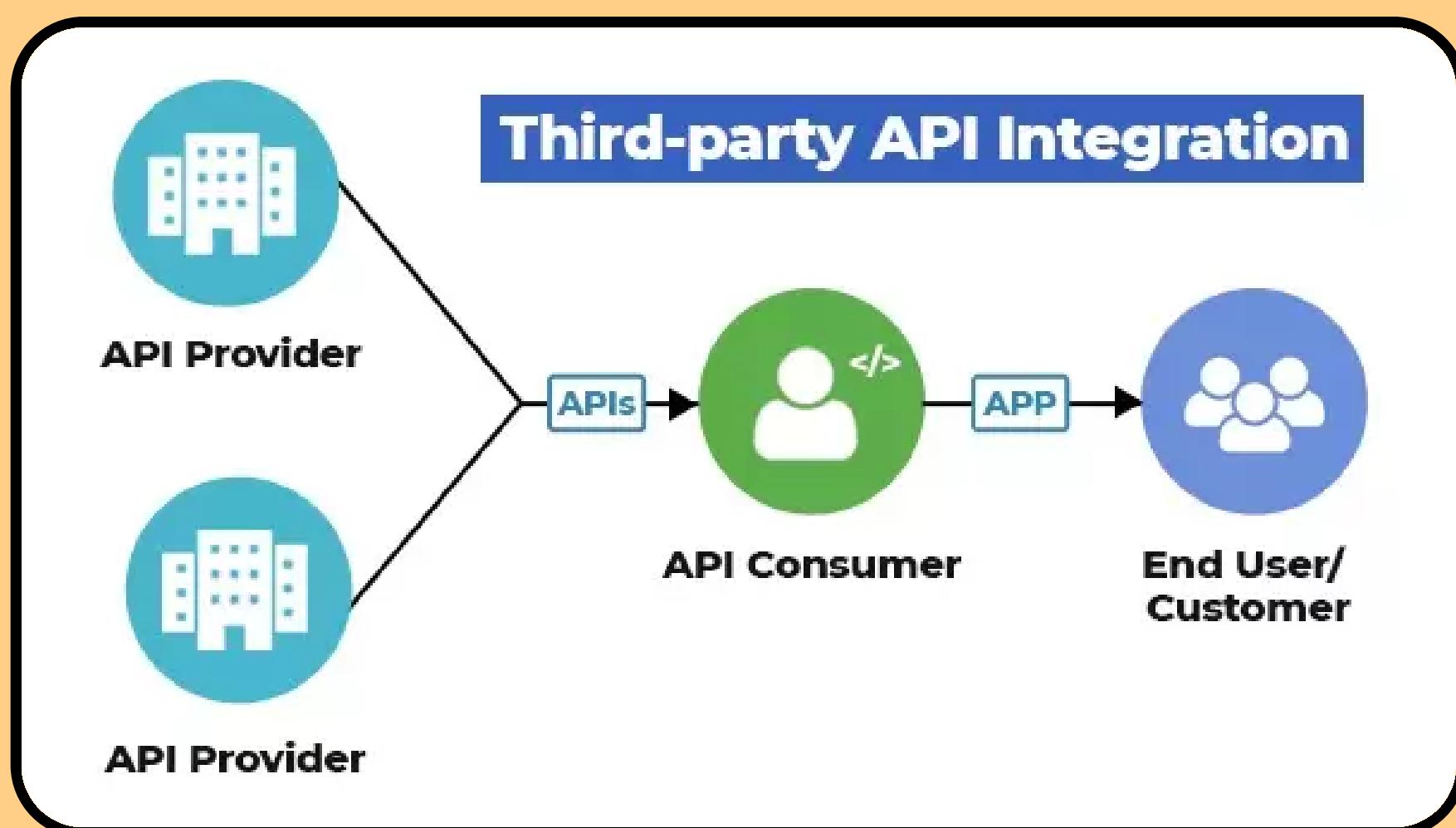


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What is API Integration?

API Integration is the process of connecting different software systems and applications together through the use of APIs (Application Programming Interfaces). It allows different systems to communicate and share information with each other, making it easier to access and use data across different platforms.

This is how API Integration works



Examples of API Integration

01

Integrating a **website's shopping cart** with a payment processor to securely process transactions.

02

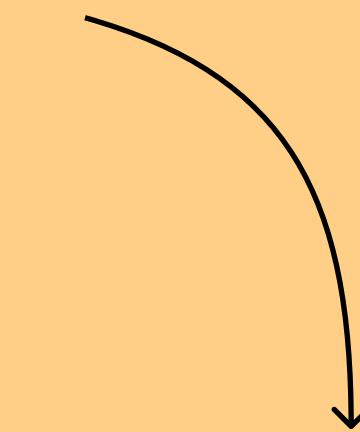
Integrating a **company's CRM (customer relationship management)** system with their accounting software to automatically create invoices and update customer information.

03

Integrating a **mobile app with a social media platform** to allow users to share content on their profiles.



API Integration Methods



Custom Integrations

This involves **creating custom code** to connect different systems together.

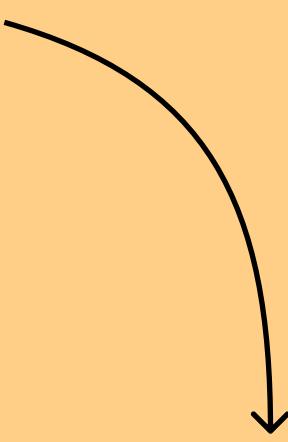
Connector Applications

These are **pre-built software applications** that can connect different systems together.

API Integration Management Platforms

These are software platforms that allow businesses to **manage and monitor** their API integrations.

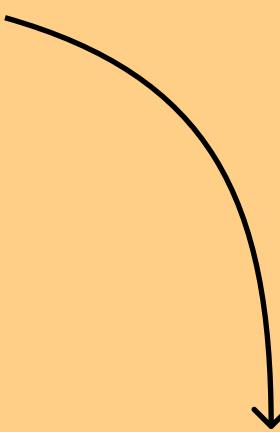
API Integration Process



- Identifying the API(s) to be integrated
- Reviewing API documentation
- Testing the API
- Integrating the API
- Monitoring and maintenance
- Security and Authentication



Benefits of API Integration



01

Automation: API integration can automate repetitive tasks and data transfer, saving time and reducing errors.

02

Scalability: API integration allows for easy integration of new systems and expansion of existing ones.

03

Streamlined Process: API integration allows for better communication and reporting between systems, providing a more complete view of business operations.

04

Reduces Errors: API integration can reduce errors by automating data transfer and reducing manual input.

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