

SYSTEM DESIGN TOPICS

▼ HIGH LEVEL DESIGN (HLD)

Step 1: System Design Fundamentals

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What is System Design?
Serverless vs Serverful architecture
Horizontal scaling vs Vertical scaling
What are processes?
What are threads?
What are pages?
How does the internet work?
Client–Server architecture
Stateless vs Stateful systems

Step 2: Databases (HLD)

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SQL vs NoSQL databases
Relational databases concepts
NoSQL database types
In-memory databases (Redis, Memcached)
Data replication
Data migration strategies
Data partitioning
Sharding techniques
Read replicas

Step 3: Consistency, Availability & Reliability

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What is data consistency?
Strong consistency
Eventual consistency
Isolation levels
CAP theorem
CAP trade-offs
Real-world CAP examples

Step 4: Caching Systems

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What is caching?
Why caching is needed?
Cache types
Client side cache and server side cache
Redis
Memcached
Write strategies
Write through , Write-back , write around

Cache eviction policies
LRU,LFU,FIFO,Segmented LRU
Content Delivery Networks (CDN)

Step 5: Networking Concepts

TCP vs UDP
HTTP protocol
HTTP/1.1 vs HTTP/2 vs HTTP/3
HTTPS
TLS / SSL
REST communication
WebSockets
WebRTC
Video & live streaming basics

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Step 6: Load Balancers

Why load balancing?
Stateless vs Stateful load balancing
Load balancing algorithms
Round Robin,Least Connection,IP Hashing
Layer 4 vs Layer 7 load balancing
Consistent hashing
Proxy
Reverse proxy
Rate limiting
Throttling

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Step 7: Message Queues & Asynchronous Processing

Synchronous vs Asynchronous processing
Message queues
Kafka
RabbitMQ
Publisher–Subscriber model
Event-driven architecture
Exactly-once vs At-least-once delivery
Dead letter queues

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Step 8: Monoliths vs Microservices

Monolithic architecture
Microservices architecture
Why microservices?
Single Point of Failure (SPOF)
Cascading failures
Service discovery
Inter-service communication
Containerization (Docker)
Migrating monolith to microservices

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Step 9: Monitoring & Logging

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Why monitoring is needed?

Logs vs Metrics

Centralized logging

Distributed tracing

Monitoring tools

prometheus, Grafana

Alerting systems

Anomaly detection

Health checks

Step 10: Security in System Design

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Authentication vs Authorization

Tokens for authentication

JWT

OAuth 2.0

Single Sign-On (SSO)

Access Control Lists (ACL)

Role-based access control (RBAC)

Encryption (at rest & in transit)

Secrets management

Step 11: System Design Trade-offs

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Push vs Pull architecture

Consistency vs Availability

SQL vs NoSQL

Memory vs Latency

Throughput vs Latency

Accuracy vs Latency

Cost vs Performance

Scalability vs Simplicity

Step 12: High-Level Design Practice (HLD)

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Design end-to-end systems for:

YouTube

Twitter

WhatsApp

Uber

Amazon

Dropbox / Google Drive

Netflix

Instagram

Zoom

Booking.com / Airbnb

▼ LOW LEVEL DESIGN (LLD)

Step 13: Object-Oriented Programming (LLD)

- Encapsulation
- Abstraction
- Inheritance
- Polymorphism
- SOLID principles
- Real-world OOP modeling

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Step 14: Design Patterns

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Creational patterns

Singleton

Factory

Builder

Structural patterns

Proxy

Adapter

Bridge

Behavioral patterns

Strategy

Observer

Command

Step 15: Concurrency & Thread Safety

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- Multi-threading concepts
 - Thread-safe injection
 - Locks & mutex
 - Synchronization
- Producer–Consumer problem
 - Race conditions
 - Deadlocks
- Concurrent data structures

Step 16: UML Diagrams

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- Class diagram
- Sequence diagram
- Use case diagram
- Activity diagram
- Component diagram
- When to use which diagram

Step 17: API Design (LLD)

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- REST API design principles
- Request/Response modeling

API versioning

Extensibility

Idempotency

Pagination

Error handling

Clean code principles

DRY

SRP

Avoiding God classes

Step 18: Common LLD Interview Problems

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Revisit

Design Tic-Tac-Toe / Chess game

Design Splitwise

Design Parking Lot

Design Elevator System

Design Notification System

Design Food Delivery App

Design Movie Ticket Booking System

Design URL Shortener

Design Logging Framework

Design Rate Limiter

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