Axon Training

Module 2 - Command Model



Agenda

Week 1

- 1. DDD and CQRS Fundamentals
- 2. Command Model
- 3. Event Handling & Projections
- 4. Sagas and Deadlines

Week 2

- 1. Snapshotting and Event Processors
- 2. Preparing for Production
- 3. CQRS and Distributed Systems
- 4. Monitoring, Tracing, Advanced Tuning



Remember?

DDD & CQRS recap



Model

A system of abstractions that describes selected aspects of a domain and can be used to solve problems related to that domain.



Two Models

Command Model

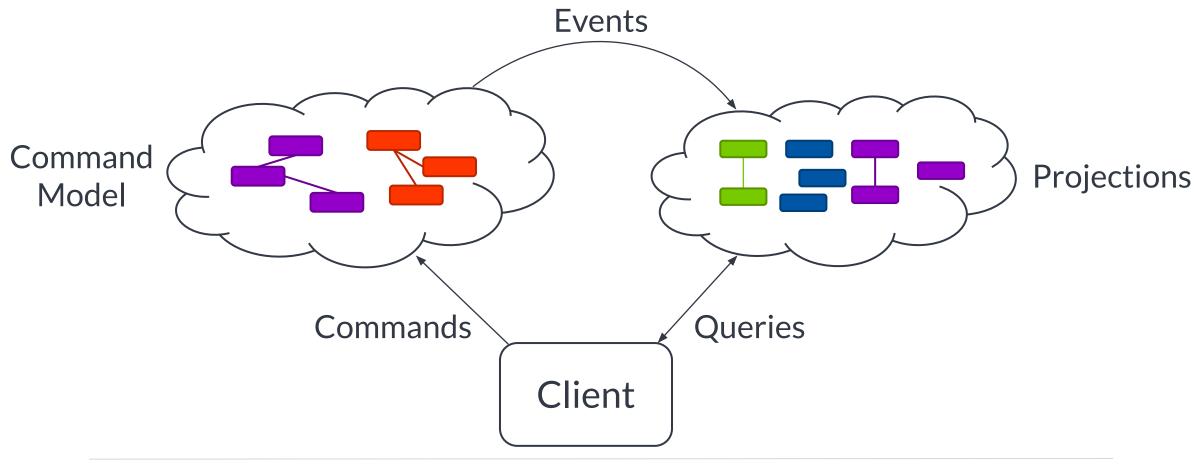
- Focused on executing tasks.
- Primarily expressed in operations.
- Only contains data necessary for task execution and decision making.

Query Model / Projections

- Focused on delivering information.
- Data is stored the way it is used.
- Denormalized / "table-per-view"



Command Query Responsibility Segregation





Aggregate

A group of associated objects which are considered as one unit with regard to data changes...



Entity

Objects that are not fundamentally defined by their attributes, but rather by a thread of continuity and identity.



Event

A notification that something relevant has happened inside the domain.

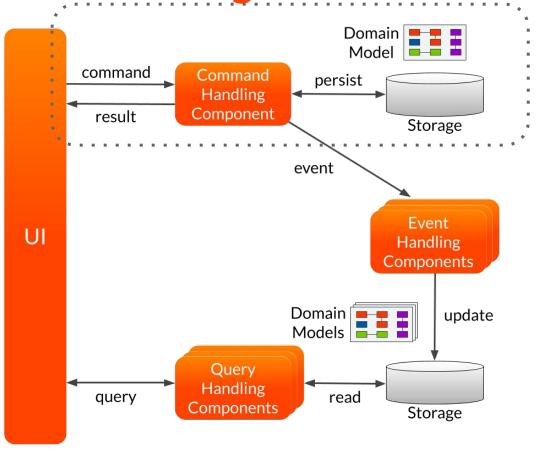


Unraveling the consequences of intent

Command Handling



Command Handling





Command Handler

- Accepts incoming commands
- Consults (and updates) the command model and publishes events
- Command model only contains data necessary for task execution and decision making



Command Handlers in Axon Framework

- Component that is subscribed to the Command Bus to process specific Commands
- @CommandHandler
 - On (singleton) component
 - Directly on Command Model

```
@CommandHandler
public void handle(MyCommand command) {
   ...
}
```



Command Handling Component (with Spring)



Command Model (with Spring)



Annotated Command Model (with Spring)

import static org.axonframework.modelling.command.AggregateLifecycle.apply

```
@Aggregate
public class MyCommandModel {

@AggregateIdentifier
private final String id;

@CommandHandler
public void handle(SomeCommand cmd) {
    apply(new SomethingDoneEvent(id, ...));
}
Registers this method as a
Command Handler for
"SomeCommand"
Registers this method as a
```



Command Handler Parameters

Supported parameter types

- First parameter (if none of below) resolves to Message payload
- Message → Resolves to entire message
- CommandMessage → Resolves to CommandMessage
- UnitOfWork → Resolves to the current Unit of Work
- MetaData → Resolves to the Meta Data of the Message
- @MetaDataValue ("name") ... \rightarrow Resolves to a Meta Data value of the Message
- Any Spring bean or component registered using Configuration API

Custom values using ParameterResolverFactory



Command Message routing



Routing Commands to an Entity within an Aggregate

```
@Aggregate
public class MyCommandModel {
    @AggregateMember
    private MyChildEntity entity;
}

class MyChildEntity {
    @CommandHandler
    public void handle(ChildEntityCommand command) { ...}
}
```



Routing Commands to an Entities within an Aggregate

```
@Aggregate
public class MyCommandModel {
    @AggregateMember
    private List<MyChildEntity> entities;
}

class MyChildEntity {
    @EntityId(routingKey="someProperty")
    private String myChildEntityId;
    @CommandHandler
    public void handle(ChildEntityCommand command) { ...}
}
By default, the name of the Entity's field is looked up as property on the commands as routing key.
```



Dispatching Commands

• Directly on CommandBus:

```
CommandBus commandBus = ...;
commandBus.dispatch(asCommandMessage(new DoSomethingCommand()));
```

Using Command Gateway

```
CommandGateway gateway = DefaultCommandGateway.builder().commandBus(commandBus).build();
// non-blocking
gateway.send(new DoSomethingCommand()); // returns CompletableFuture<>
gateway.send(new DoSomethingCommand(), callback);

// blocking
gateway.sendAndWait(new DoSomethingCommand());
gateway.sendAndWait(new DoSomethingCommand(), 1, TimeUnit.SECONDS);
```

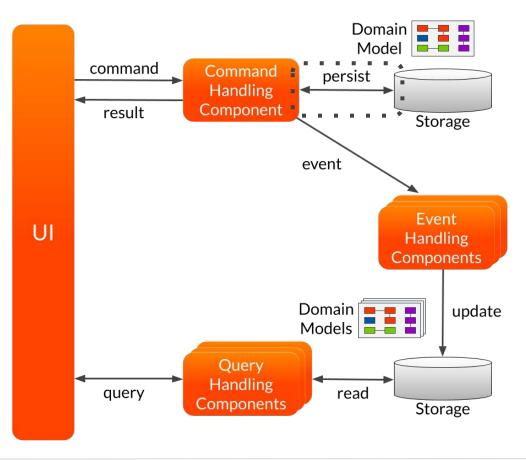


Persisting state between commands

Storing Aggregate state



Aggregate persistence



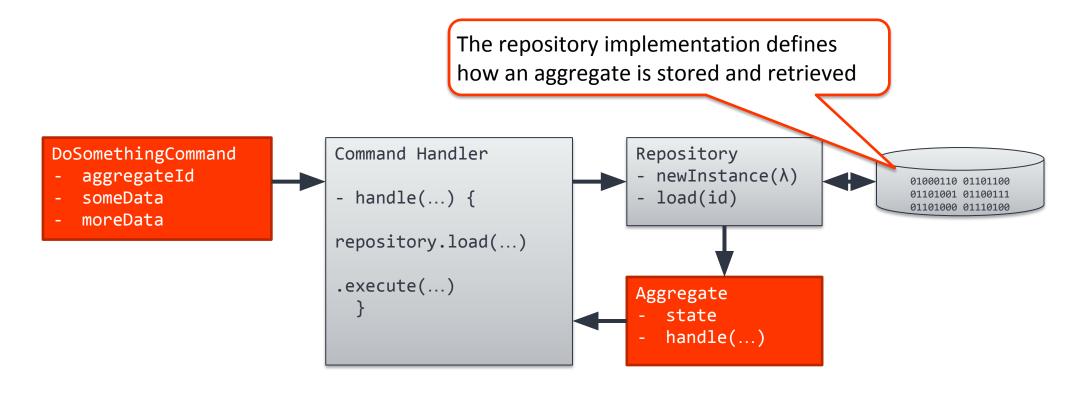


Repository

A mechanism for encapsulating storage, retrieval, and search behavior which emulates a collection of objects.



Repository in context





What happened

1. Flight scheduled: 6:00 - 10:00

2. Captain assigned: T. Cruise

What we store

Flight

flightNo: AC-323

planned departure time: 6:00

planned arrival time: 10:00

captain: T. Cruise

status: awaiting departure



What happened

- 1. Flight scheduled: 6:00 10:00
- 2. Captain assigned: T. Cruise

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- 3. Departure slot missed: 6:00
- 4. Captain assigned: C. Lindbergh

What we store

Flight

flightNo: AC-323

planned departure time: 6:00

planned arrival time: 10:00

captain: C. Lindbergh

status: delayed at gate



What happened

- 1. Flight scheduled: 6:00 10:00
- 2. Captain assigned: T. Cruise

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- 3. Departure slot missed: 6:00
- 4. Captain assigned: C. Lindbergh
- 5. Flight departed: 7:34

What we store

Flight

flightNo: AC-323

planned departure time: 6:00

planned arrival time: 10:00

captain: C. Lindbergh

actual departure time: 7:34

status: in-flight



What happened

- 1. Flight scheduled: 6:00 10:00
- 2. Captain assigned: T. Cruise

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- 3. Departure slot missed: 6:00
- 4. Captain assigned: C. Lindbergh
- 5. Flight departed: 7:34
- 6. Arrival time estimated: 11:30
- 7. Arrival time estimated: 10:40
- 8. Flight arrived: 10

What we store

Flight

flightNo: AC-323

planned departure time: 6:00

planned arrival time: 10:00

captain: C. Lindbergh

actual departure time: 7:34

actual arrival time: 10:24

status: arrived

The valuable information is here...

Not here...



Events...

How do we guarantee that our events are a complete and truthful representation of an entity's history?



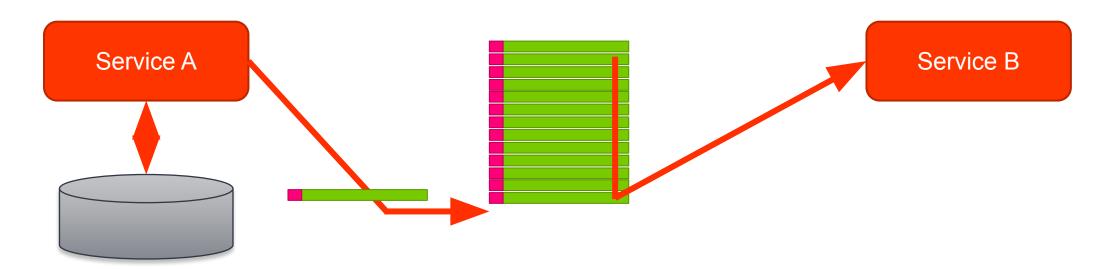
Event Sourcing

- Storage method for Command Model
 - Only persist changes
 - The applied Events represent all changes

- To load an aggregate:
 - Replay all past Events on an "empty" instance



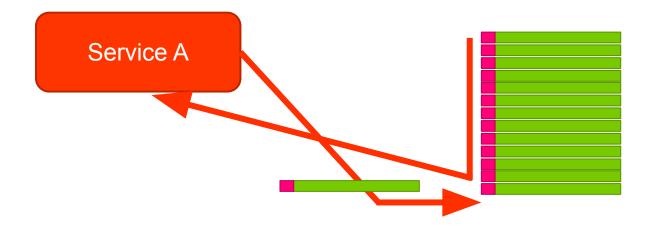
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Service B

Event Sourcing



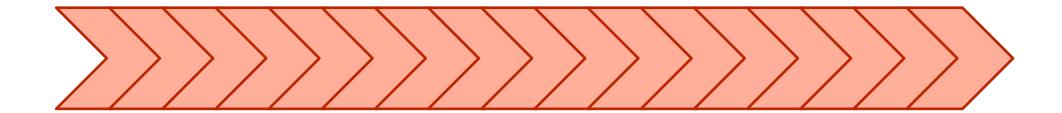
Event Store

An Event Store stores the published events to be retrieved both by consumers as well as the publishing component itself.



Event Store operations

- Append
- Validate 'sequence'





Event Store operations

Full sequential read





Event Store operations

• Read aggregate's events





Event Sourcing infrastructure

- Event Store
 - AxonServer
 - JPA / JDBC
 - MongoDB
- Repository
 - EventSourcingRepository



Why use event sourcing?

Business reasons

- Auditing / compliance / transparency
- Data mining, analytics:
 value from data

Technical reasons

- Guaranteed completeness of event stream
- Single source of truth
- Concurrency / conflict resolution
- Facilitates debugging
- Replay into new read models (+CQRS)
- Easily capture intent
- Deal with complexity in models



Event Sourcing, or not...

- There is a price...
 - Your events must remain "readable" at all times. This means you must keep support for them, even old versions of Events.
 - Big refactoring of the Domain Model requires use-once custom tools

- Event Streams grow... indefinitely
 - How do you prevent the need for reading millions of events just to apply a single command?

We will answer this question later.



Event Sourcing – Entity layout

```
public class Flight {
                           // state required to make decisions
                           @CommandHandler
                           public void handle(RegisterArrivalTime command) {
                               if (currentArrivalTime.isBefore(command.getNewArrivalTime())) {
                                   apply(new FlightDelayed(flightId, command.getNewArrivalTime()));
Decision making
                               } else {
                                   apply(new ArrivalTimeChanged(flightId, command.getNewArrivalTime()));
                           @EventSourcingHandler
                           protected void on(ArrivalTimeChanged event) {
                               this.currentArrivalTime = event.getNewArrivalTime();
   State changes
```



Applying Events

AggregateLifecycle.apply(event) will:

- 1. Dispatch the Event to *all* handlers *inside* the Aggregate
- 2. Send the Event to the Event Bus, which stages it for publication in the "prepare commit" phase of the Unit of Work

Note: Other aggregates will *not* receive the event



Declarative Testing

Given: a set of historic events

When: I send a command

Then: expect certain events



Whatever else you wanted to know...

Questions

