

MFE ARCHITECTURE

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BENEFITS OF MFE ARCHITECTURE

- **Independent deployments**
 - Independent release management for sub domains
 - Launch Darkly state toggling and A/B testing
 - Potentially remove regulations from sub domains
- **Incremental upgrades**
 - Upgrade sub domains to new framework incrementally (Strangler pattern)
- **Decoupled codebase**
 - Enforce decoupled architecture

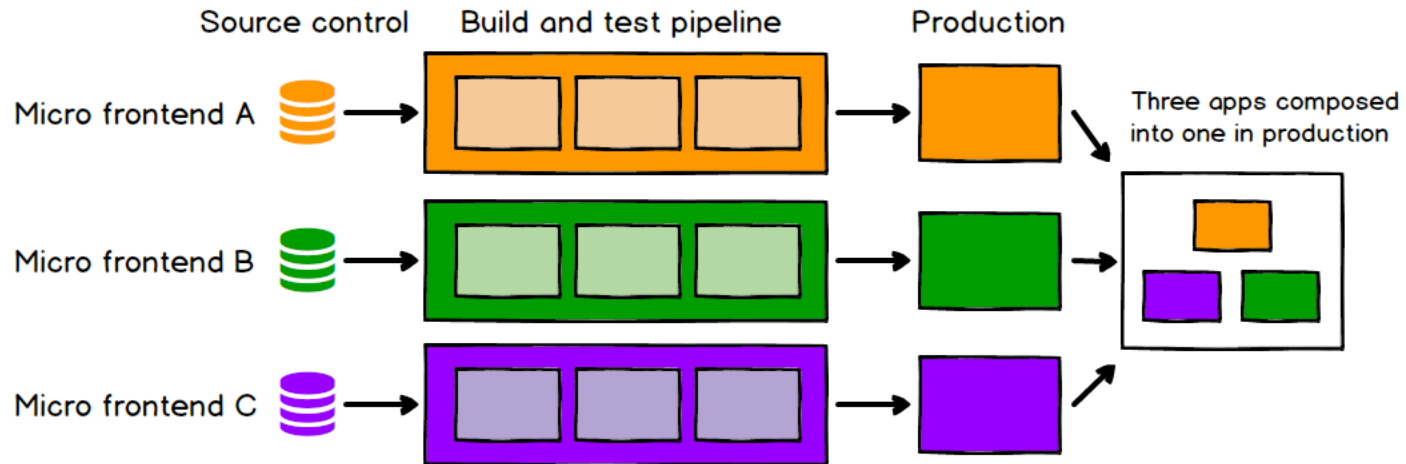
THE OVERHEAD OF MFE ARCHITECTURE

- **Complex build systems**
 - Multiple CI/CD pipelines
 - Hard tracking and debug problems across the entire system
 - Need for more DevOps within squads
- **Greater squad coordination**
 - Squads need to attend/contribute/adhere to web chapter
 - Core change management
 - Version management
 - Performance
 - Coherent experience
- **Requires additional work/resources for each squad**
 - Squads needs to understand and buy-in on the approach (PO, UX, DM, DL, Dev, Test)
 - Squads need to have time allocated to implement and participate more in web chapter
 - Need for integrated DevOps access/skills
 - Requires greater coverage of automated ui tests and solid integrated testing

CI/CD PIPELINE

Each MFE needs it's own CI/CD pipeline and for the POC I used Github.com > Travis-ci > AWS S3.

This setup allowed me to have full access and control of the DevOps process.



POC OVERVIEW

I created an opensource POC, implementing MFE/ObservableStore architecture called **pixelybets-app**: <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-app>

Technology used:

- Github.com
- Travis-ci
- AWS S3
- Webpack
- Babel
- Single-SPA
- Import Maps (SystemJS)
- RxJS (ObservableStore)
- React
- JavaScript
- TypeScript



webpack

SystemJS



RxJS



Travis CI



GitHub



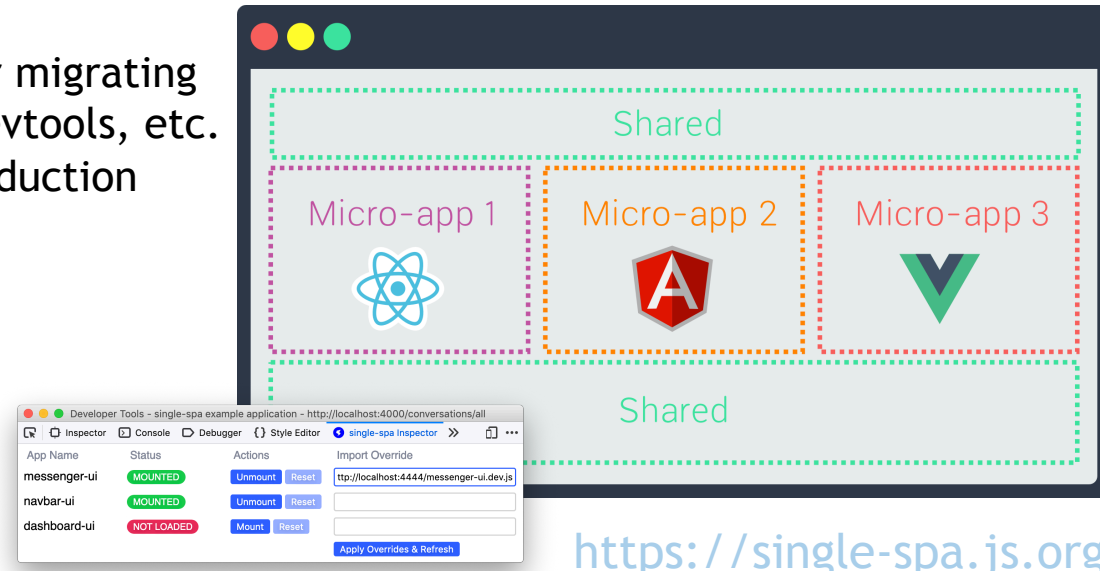
SINGLE-SPA



POC TECH - SINGLE-SPA

Why I chose SINGLE-SPA

- Simple to setup and use
- Documentation and guides for migrating
- DX: import-map-overrides, Devtools, etc.
- Community and proven in production
- Slack channel support



single-spa is a framework for bringing together multiple javascript microfrontends in a frontend application. Architecting your frontend using single-spa enables many benefits, such as:

- Use multiple frameworks on the same page without page refreshing (React, AngularJS, Angular, Vue, etc.)
- Write code using a new framework, without rewriting your existing app
- Lazy load code for improved initial load time.

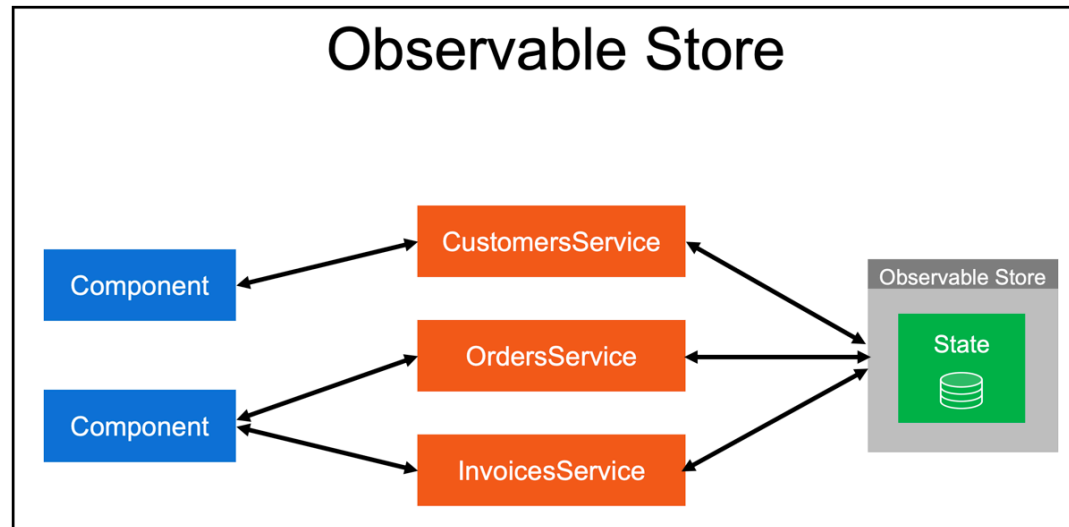
POC TECH - OBSERVABLE STORE

Why I chose ObservableStore

- Removes Redux boilerplate
- Defines APIs between MFEs
- Consumer retrieves the data structure they want (RxJS)
- Independently deployable
- Community and proven in production

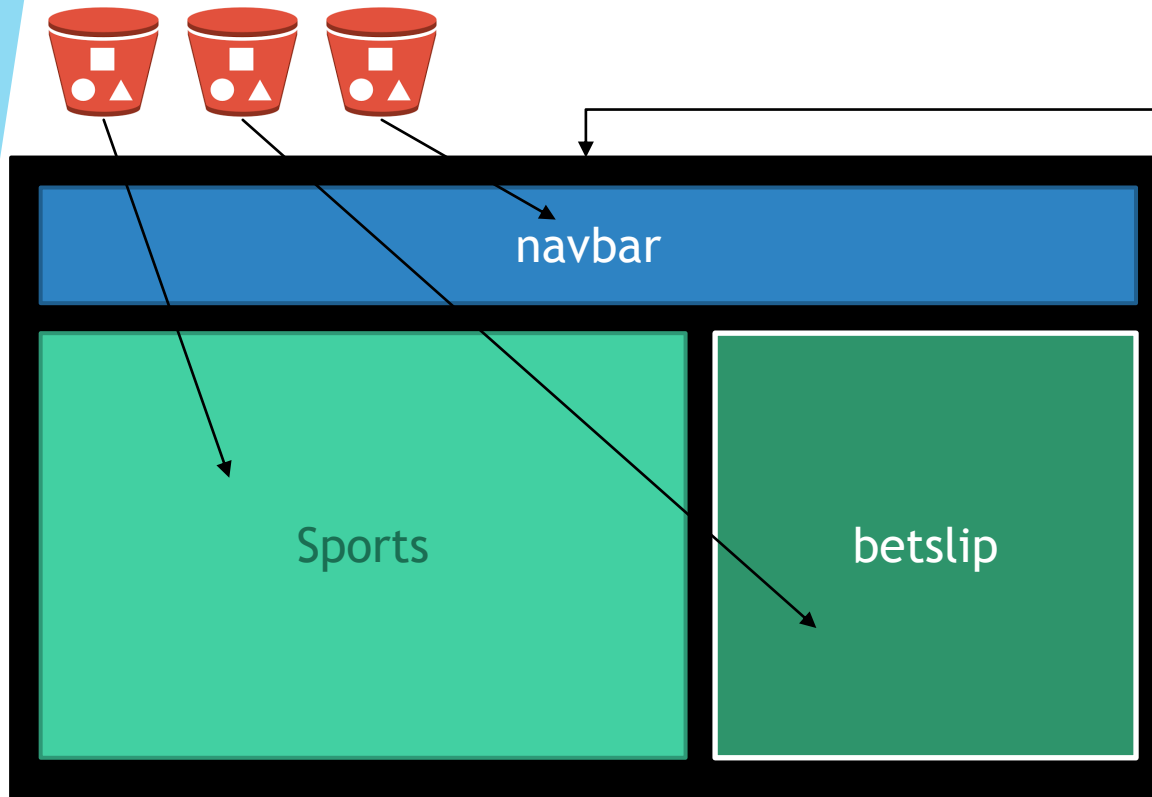
Key Goals of Observable Store:

- Keep it simple!
- Single source of truth for state
- Store state is immutable
- Provide state change notifications to any subscriber
- Track state change history
- Easy to understand with a minimal amount of code required to get started
- Works with any front-end project built with JavaScript or TypeScript (Angular, React, Vue, etc.)
- Integrate with the Redux DevTools (Angular and React currently supported)



<https://github.com/DanWahlin/Observable-Store>

MFE ARCHITECTURE - OVERVIEW



App shell - SINGLE-SPA

- Common dependencies
- Import-map (Inline/performance)
- SINGLE-SPA config

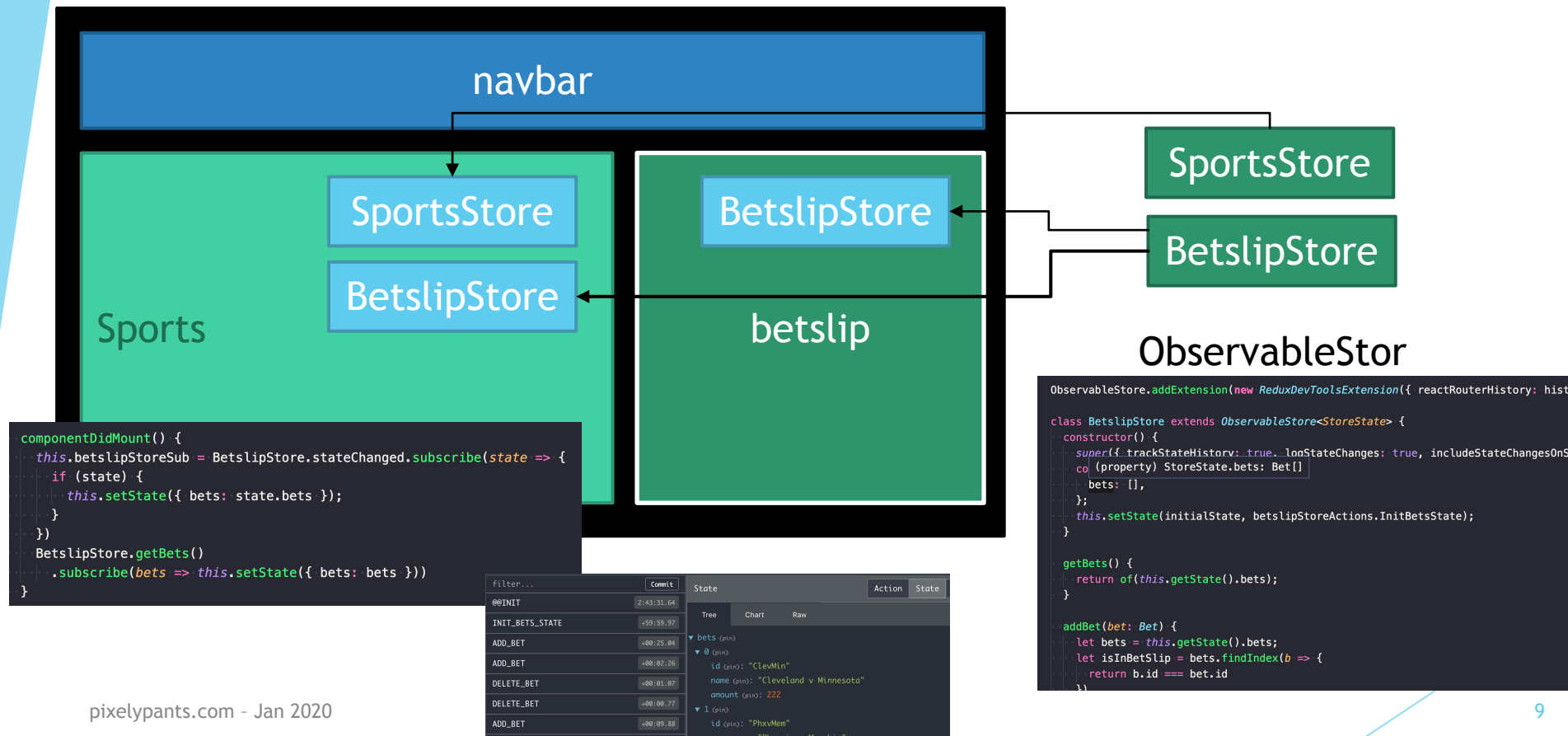
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  }
}
```

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singleSpa.registerApplication('sports', () => SystemJS.import('@portal/sports'), isA
singleSpa.registerApplication('betslip', () => SystemJS.import('@portal/betslip'), isA

singleSpa.start()
```


MFE ARCHITECTURE - COMMUNICATION

Observable stores allow for decoupled services (Think frontend BFF) that define public APIs for consumers.



DEMO - CI/CD

- **Git repos**

- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-app>
- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-mfe-navbar>
- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-mfe-sports>
- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-mfe-betslip>
- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-store-betslip>
- <https://github.com/pixelypants/pixelybets-store-sports>



Travis CI

- **Travis-ci**

- <https://travis-ci.com/>



- **AWS S3**

- <https://s3.console.aws.amazon.com/s3/home?region=ap-southeast-2>

DEMO - DX

- Run App Shell locally
 - <http://localhost:8233/>
- Show application and working from cloud
 - Show Redux DevTool integration
- Show local DX
 - Override MFEs with **Import Map Overrides**
 - Allow for developing against prod
 - Show SINGLE-SPA DevTool
 - Mount/Unmount and overlays
 - Show the need for many VSCode instances
- Show source code
 - SINGLE-SPA config
 - Import maps
 - Store APIs
 - MFEs using Stores



SystemJS



DEMO - WHERE TO NEXT

- Integrate framework agnostic component lib
 - <https://github.com/pixelpants/pixel-y-ui>

