Introduction to Enterprise Architecture

Home of All the Laws of Nature

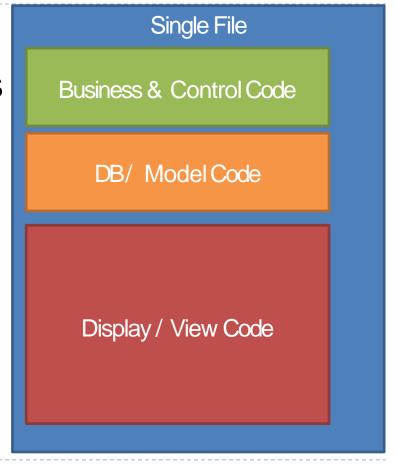
Enterprise

- Enterprise == Big Business
 - Businesses typically need to (at least) keep track of their what they sell and who they sell it to
 - Generally business applications are a front-end to a database.

- The complexity comes in:
 - implementing the business rules, how things interact.
 - Scaling the application to (big business) size

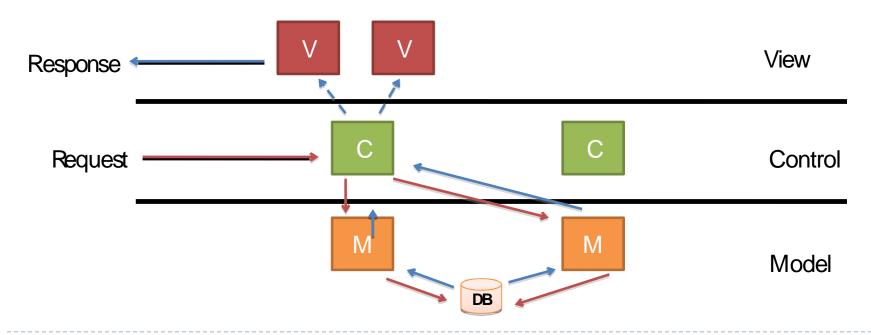
Applications

- As a business grows, a small application becomes a big application.
 - Small applications are okay with Model 1
 - Not so maintainable

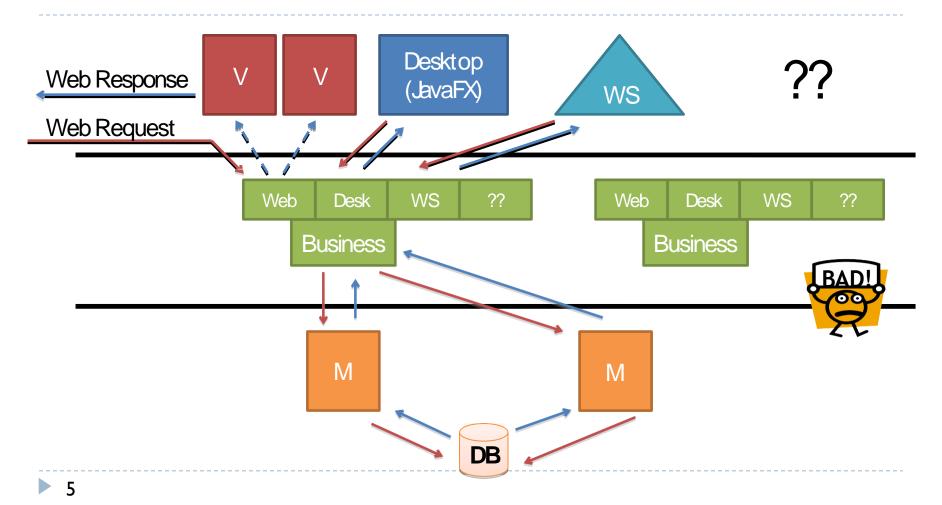


Growing Application

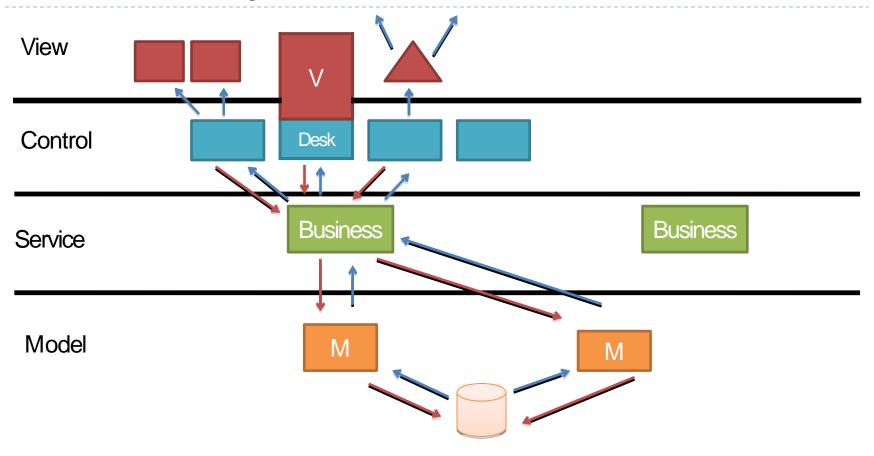
- For better maintainability split it into tiers
 - First 3 Tiers ~ Model / View / Control



Problem with 3 Tiers

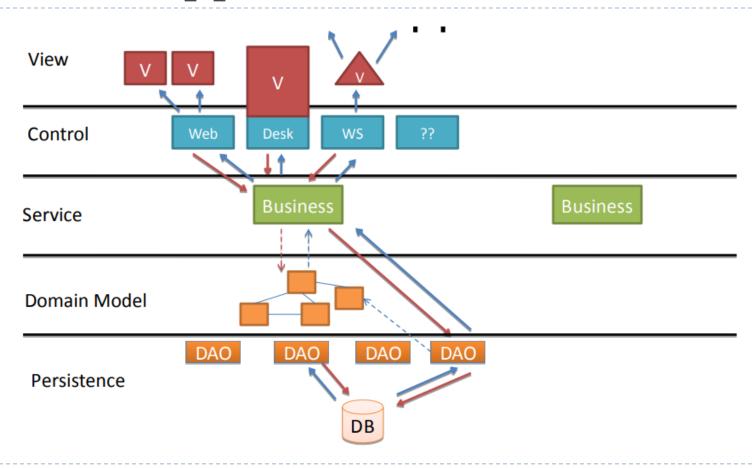


Service Layer

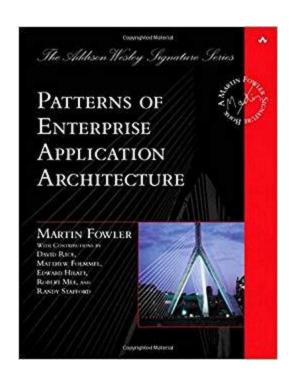


- The Model layer presents another problem
- It often has 2 different concerns:
 - An Object Oriented data object (a domain model)
 - Code to persist it into a relational DB

N-Tier Application



Enterprise Patterns



- Martin Fowler, 2002
 - Domain Model,
 - Service Layer,
 - Repository (aka DAO)
- These are some of the many patterns from this book that we will use in this course

Big Application

- A single big application is called a monolith.
- These often have maintainability issues:
 - A change in one place means recompiling the app
 - A change in one place could affect many other things (parts of the same big application)

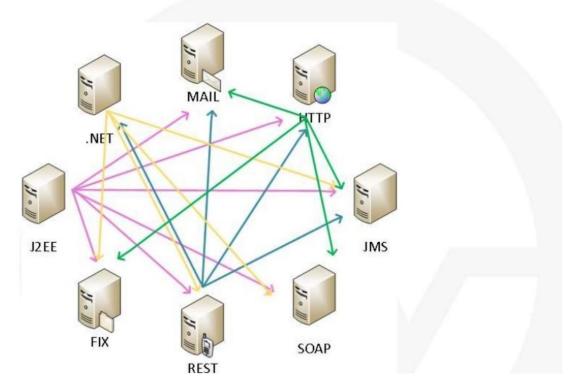
Multiple Monoliths

- At some point another application is made, or bought, or two businesses combine
- Whatever the reason, integration is needed
- This has been true since the earliest days of Enterprise Applications

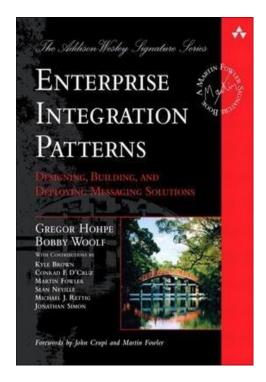
Initial Integration

Spaghetti Integration

What about maintainability, scalability, troubleshooting and governance?



Enterprise Integration Patterns



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- Gregor Hohpe and Bobby Woolf, 2003
 - We will introduce (mention) some of these patterns at the end of this course

Book specifies 4 Ways to Integrate

- Used in the past
 - File Transfer (leaves a lot to the developer)
 - Shared Database (does not scale as well)

- Modern approaches:
 - Remote Procedure Invocation (synchronous)
 - Messaging (Asynchronous)

Integration and Architecture

- Integration is not just something that can be used to connect different applications
- It can also be an architectural solution

- Why have one big, hard to maintain, hard to scale, monolith when you can break it into parts?
 - Each part provides a "service"

Service Oriented Architecture

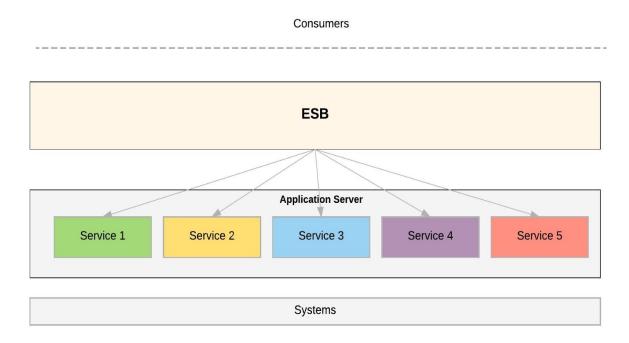
- To Solve Monolith problems
- Separate applications each provide their own service
 - The 'service layer' is the point of integration
- [Wikipedia] Each service / application:
 - Represents a business activity with a specified outcome Is self-contained
 - Is a black box for its consumers.
 - May consist of other underlying services

Service Oriented Architecture

- A coherent integration plan is needed, how are the different services going to communicate?
 - How are they going to be combined?

- A common solution:
- ▶ An Enterprise Service Bus (ESB)
 - Coordinates activities between the services
 - Can contain logic and combine services

Enterprise Service Bus



Similar to hardware, a channel through which all communication flows

From: https://medium.com/@kasunindrasiri/microservices-apis-and-integration-7661448e8a86

ESB

- ESBs generally contain logic to provide:
- Routing, choreography (combine), transformation, business rules

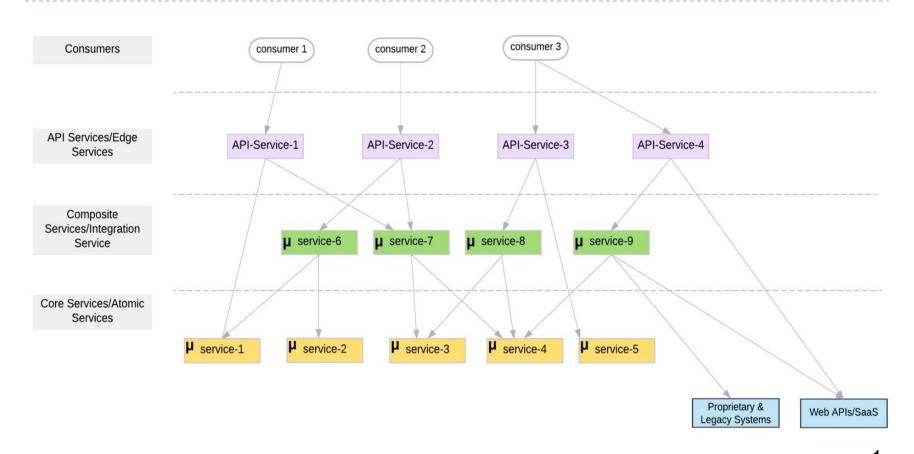
- Useful, but can also be a real problem:
- Business logic spread between services and ESB (what is where?)
- ▶ ESB is a single, monolithic, center of the application
 - Single point of failure

MicroServices

The Micro Services architectural style is often seen as a response to the use of an ESB

- Micro Services emphasizes:
 - Smart Endpoints (services) and Dumb Pipes
- Also generally smaller (more fine grained) services
 - What is or is not small is undefined

Combining Micro Services



Main Point

A software framework encapsulates the knowledge of experts, allowing the developers to take advantage of sound solutions and focus on the project qualities.

Science of Consciousness: Through the practice of Transcendental Meditation, a person taps the value of Pure Consciousness which encapsulates knowledge of all the laws of nature..