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Microservices Interview Preparation

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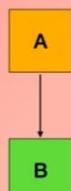


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Types of Coupling

Content Coupling One class can access the private members of another class.

Common Coupling Two classes access the same shared data i.e. global variables and static properties

Control Coupling When a function controls the flow of another function

Routine Coupling When one function calls another function without passing any parameters

Data Coupling When two systems share the same database

Type Use Coupling When a member or property of class B is of type class A

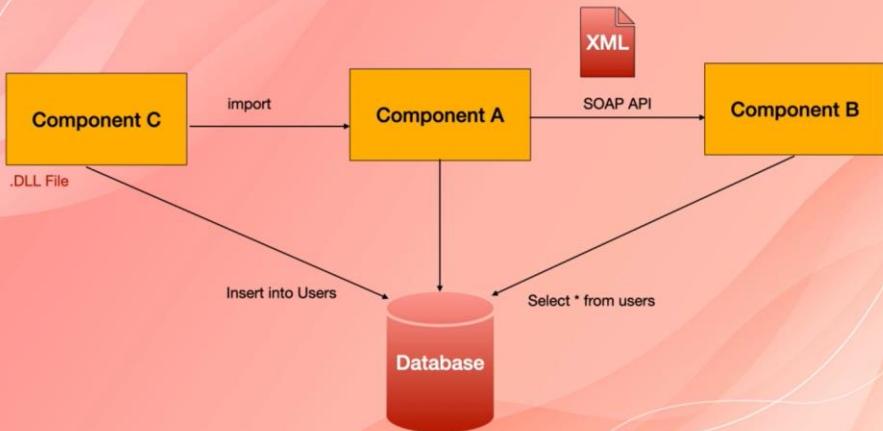
Stamp Coupling When in Class B a method has a parameter of type Class A

Import Coupling When a library is imported into another program i.e. DLL files in Windows

External Coupling When communicating with an external program

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Examples



What is Cohesion?

What is better? High Cohesion or Low Cohesion?

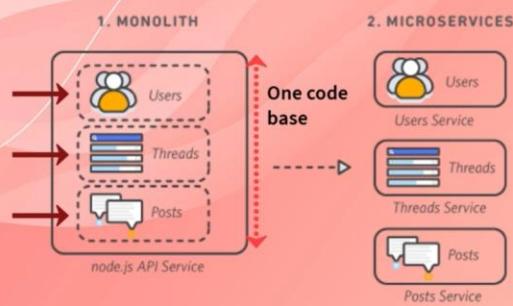
Is a measure of the degree to which the elements of a module, software or code are related.

Is a degree to which all elements of a module, software or code are directed towards performing a single task.

High Cohesion is **GOOD!** Example of low Cohesion: **Helper Classes**

```
public static class Helper
{
    public static string DateToString(DateTime dateTime) {...}
    public static SmtpConfig GetSmtpConfig();
    public static void LogError(string error);
}
```

What is a Microservice?



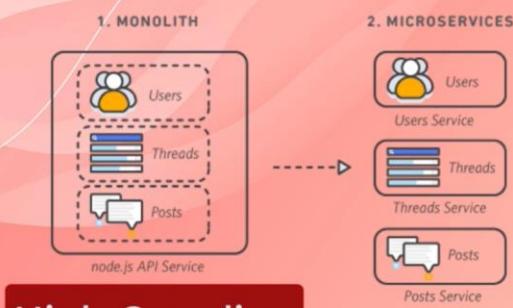
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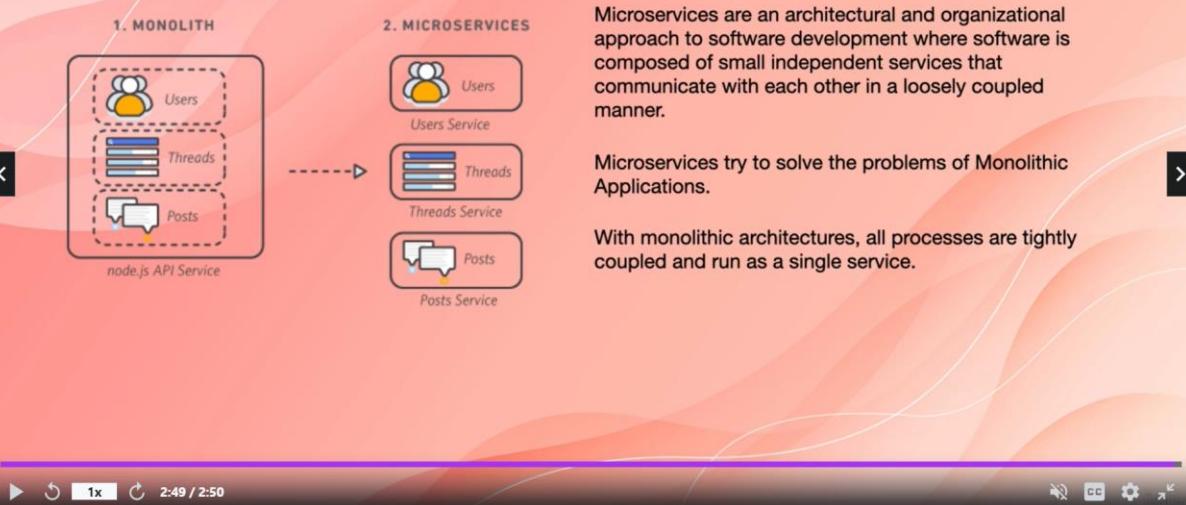
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Pros and Cons of Monolithic Applications

GOOD

Simplicity Monolithic Applications are easier to build, test and deploy.

Cross-cutting concerns One piece of code can handle monitoring, logging, security etc.

Performance Different classes or functions communicate directly and share the same memory so the application runs faster compared to Microservices where services communicate through a network.

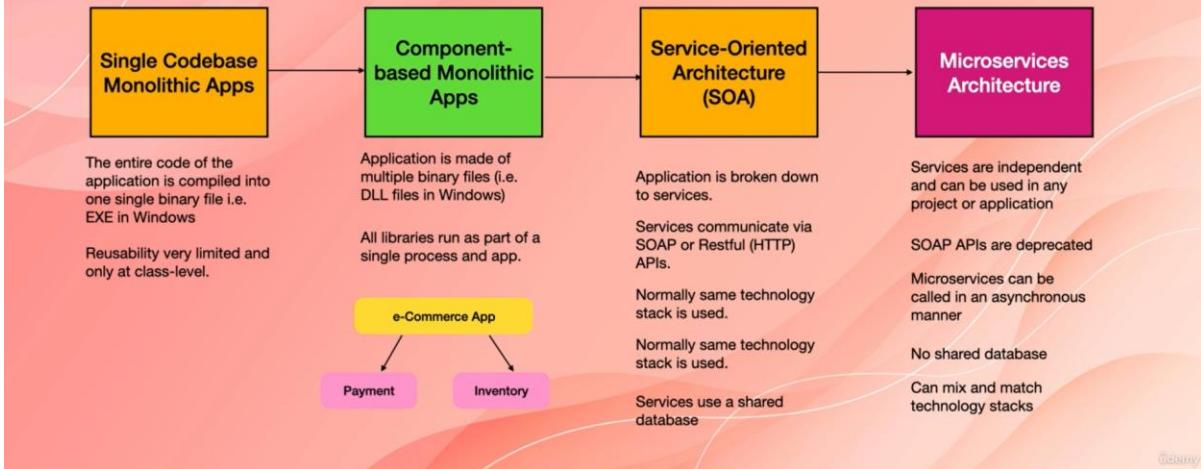
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Reliability A fatal error in any part of the application will crash the entire system.

Updates and Deployment Even for a small change the entire application has to be re-deployed

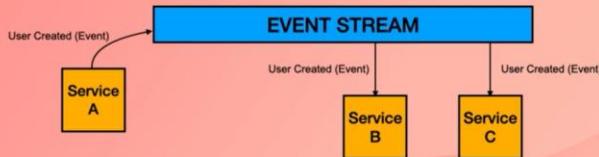
Technology Stack The entire application has to be developed with one single technology stack

What are alternatives of Monolith Apps



What are benefits of microservices architecture?

- Microservices can be deployed independently
- Microservices can be scaled out independently
- Microservices offer better fault tolerance
- A smaller code base allows new team members learn the code easier and quicker
- Different microservices can be built with different technology stacks
- Microservices can communicate asynchronously - reducing coupling



What are the drawbacks of microservices?

- Microservices-based systems are more complex to design and build
- Requires changes in how teams and organisations work
 - More teams to manage
 - Often more developers are required
 - Teams have to collaborate more efficiently
- Often more expensive to build
- Diagnosing problems become difficult
- Testing becomes more challenging

Microservices architecture is NOT always fit for purpose

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- Micro services are a great fit for cloud
- Micro services enable businesses to better implement agile
- Micro services allow businesses to out-source part of their development effort, and get to market quicker

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Name some design patterns and tools we use in developing microservices

- Event Streaming
- Message Broker
- Containers & Docker
- No-SQL Database
- Restful API
- API Gateway

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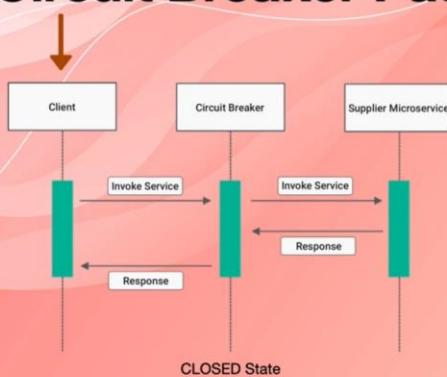
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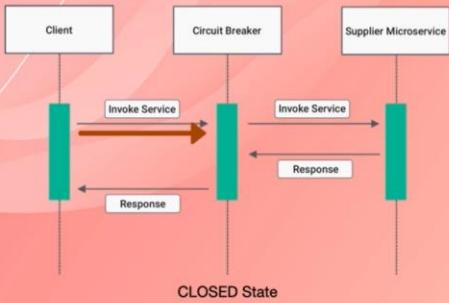
Applies to API (point to point) calls

- We set a threshold for failing API calls i.e. 3
- If failing API calls exceed the threshold we reject the API calls
- Circuit breakers are micro services themselves and act as Proxy
- Circuit breakers can have three states: Open, Closed, Half-Open

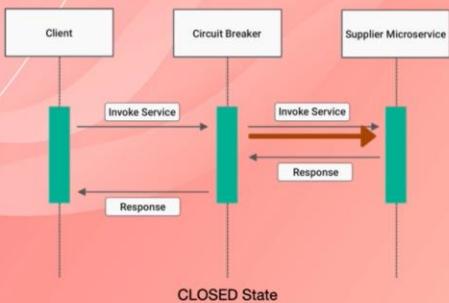
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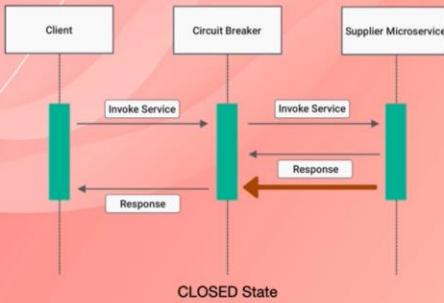
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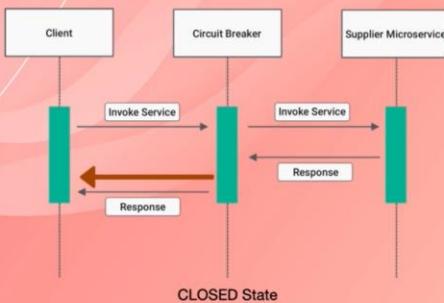
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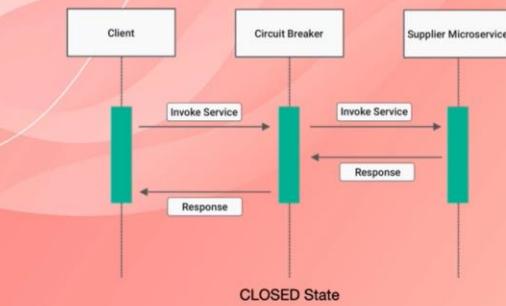
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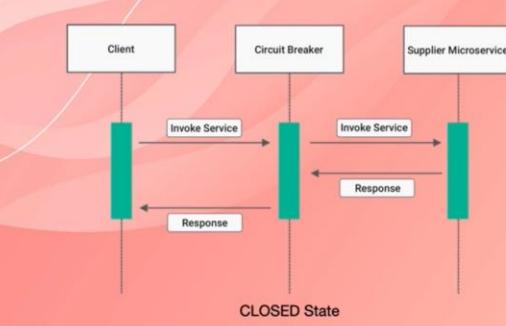


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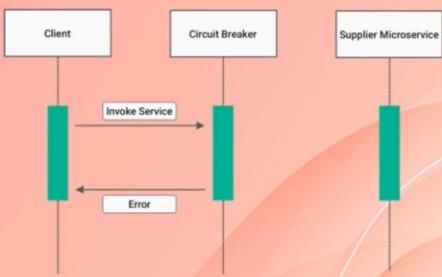


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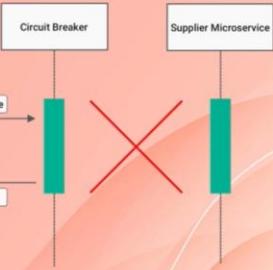
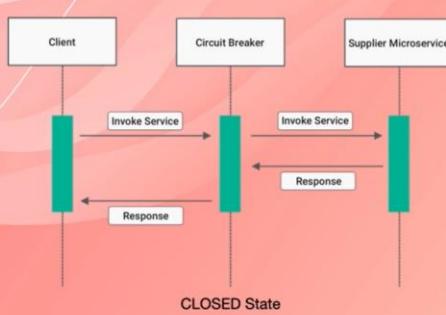
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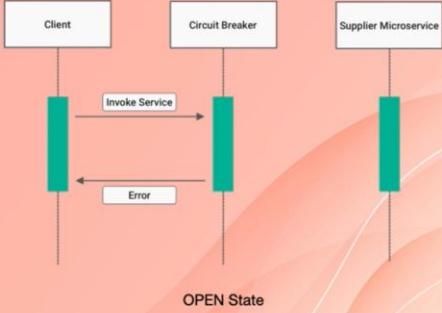
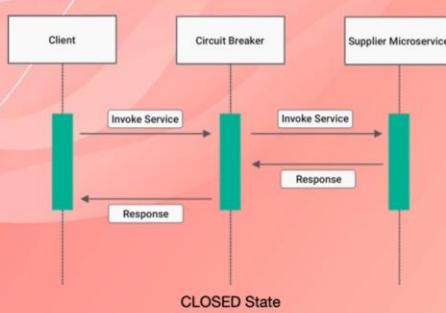
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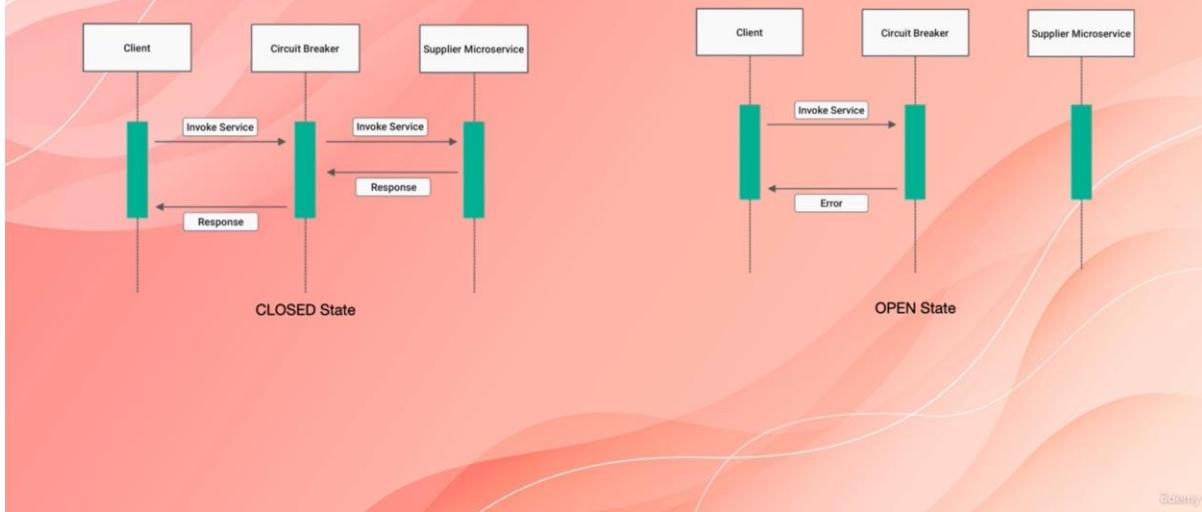
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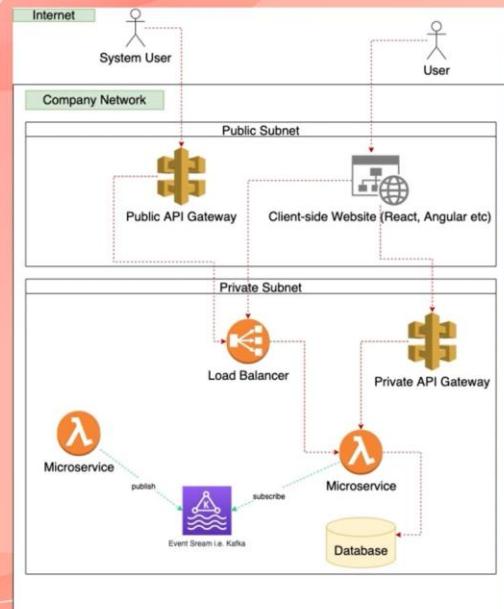


- Serverless: Small micro services that run without a server in the cloud i.e. Amazon Lambda in AWS

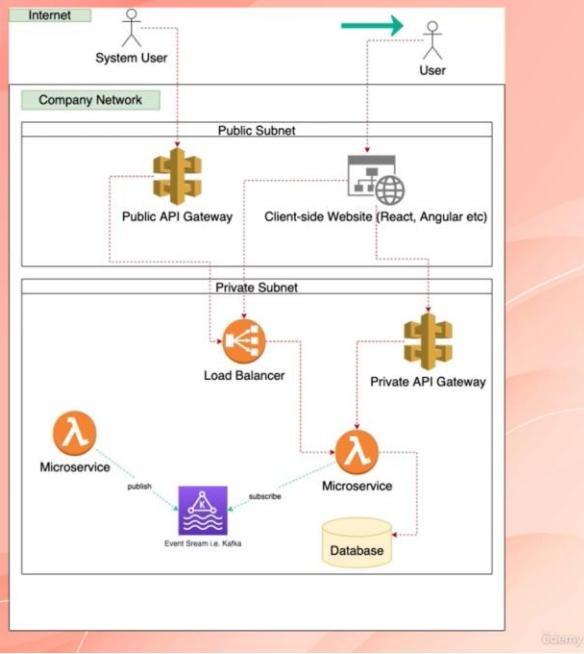
- Spring Boot in Java



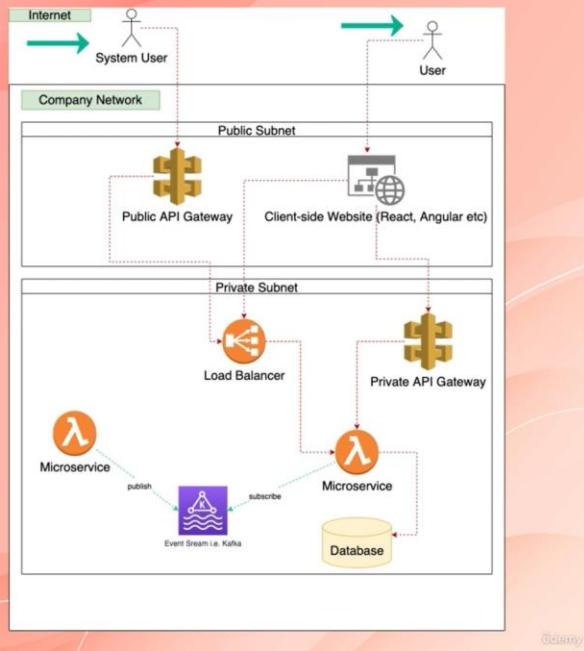
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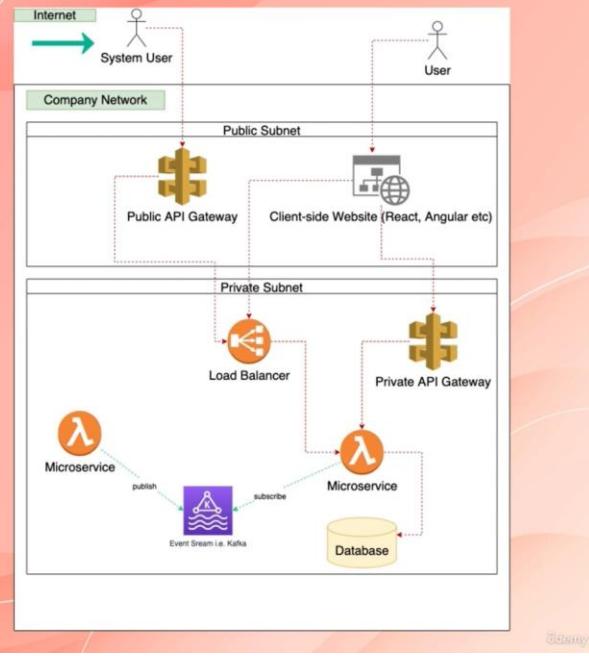
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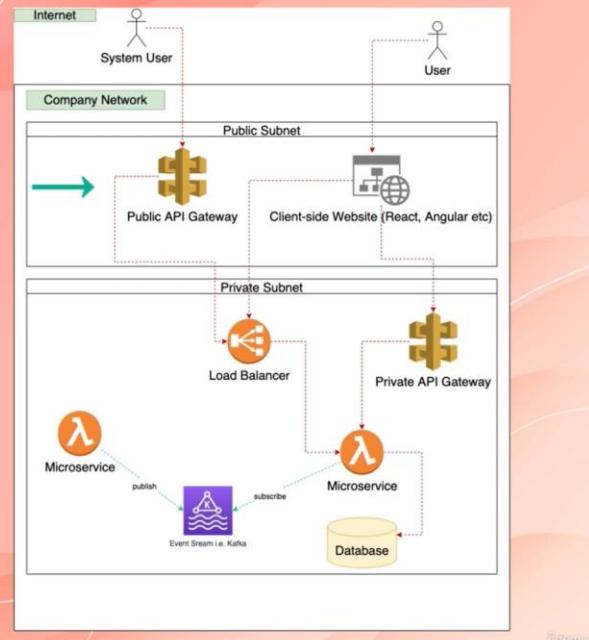
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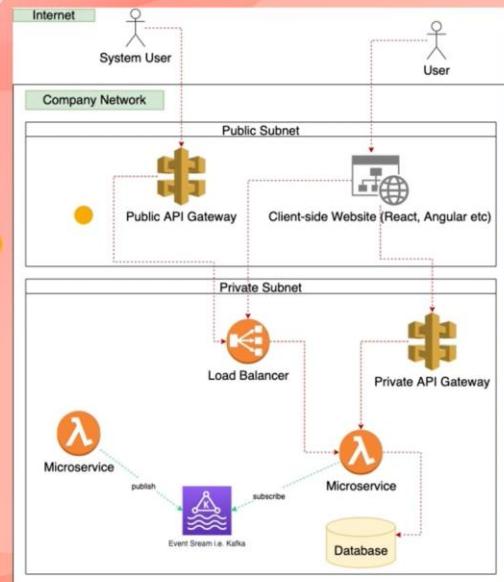


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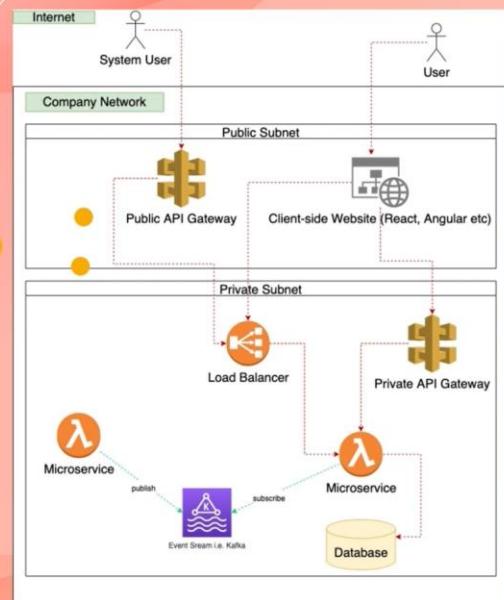


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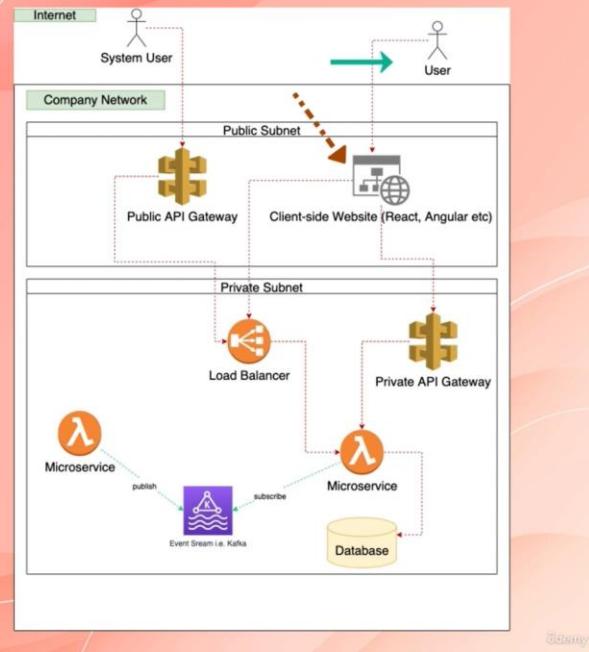
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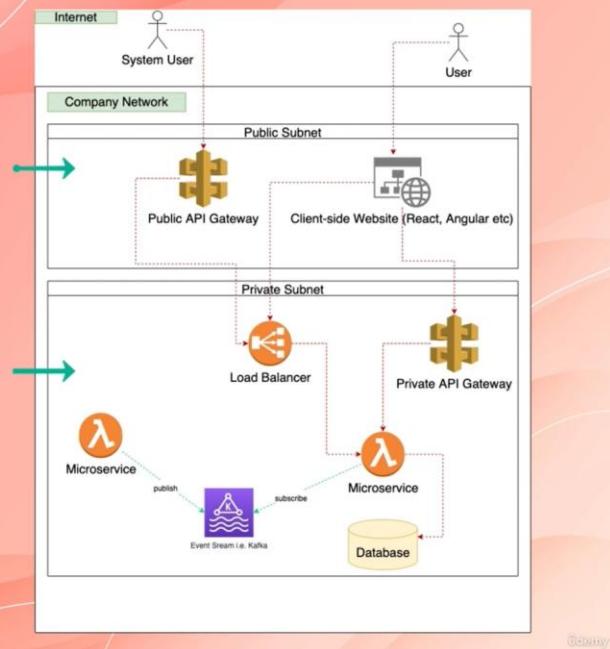


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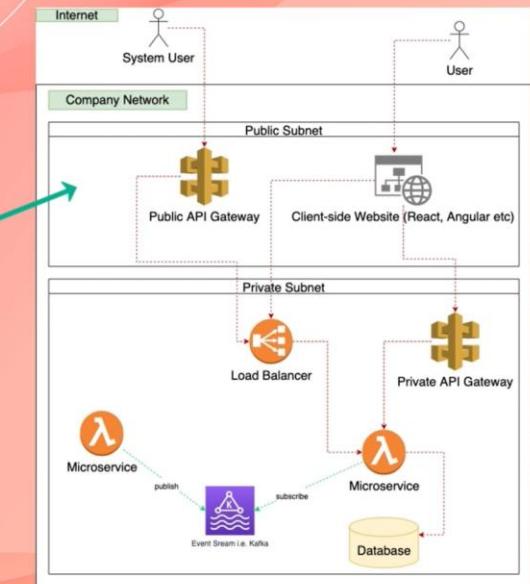
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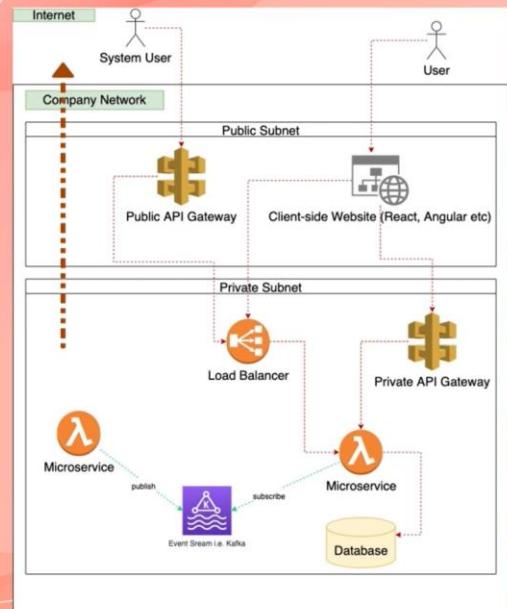
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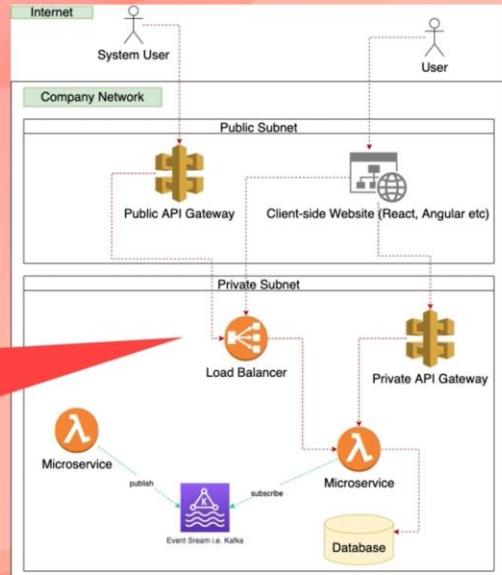


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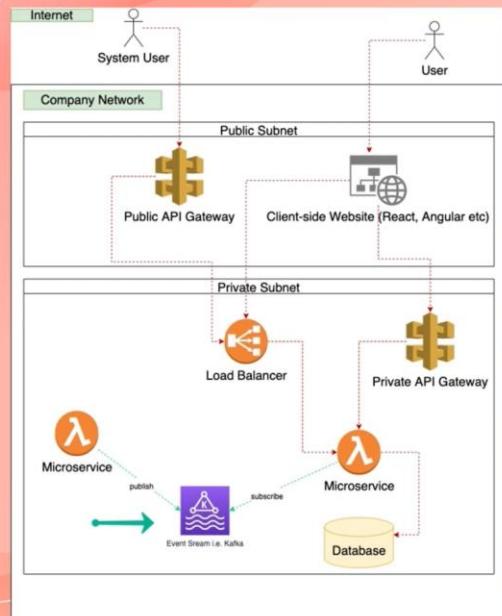


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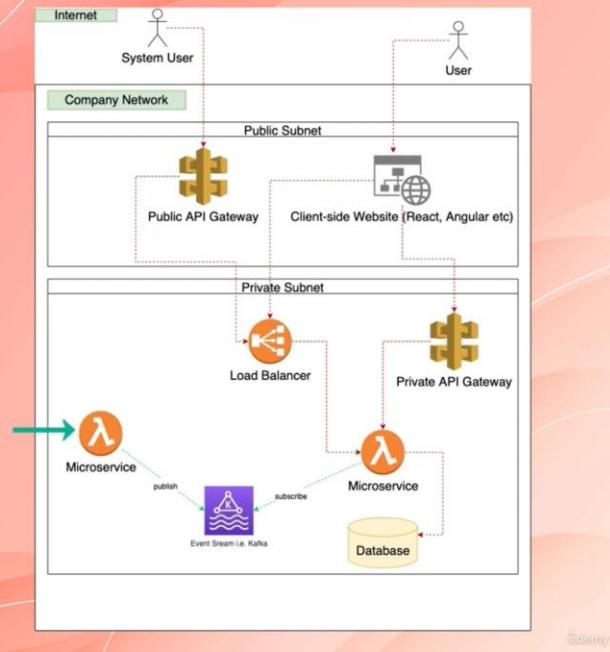
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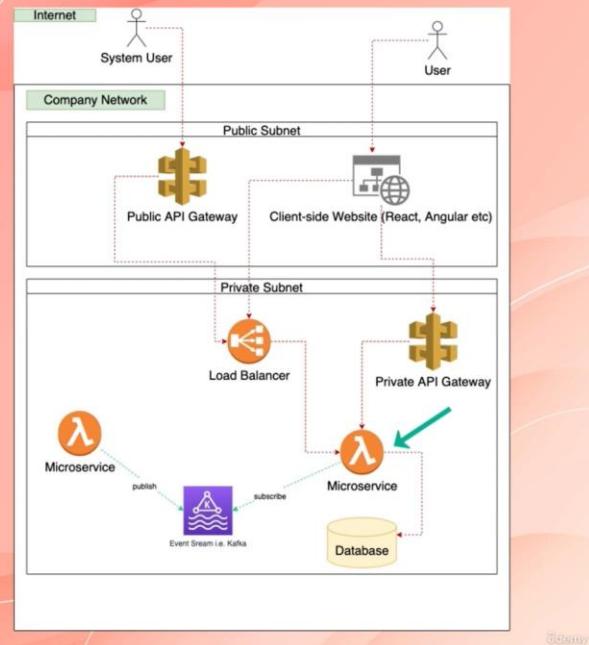
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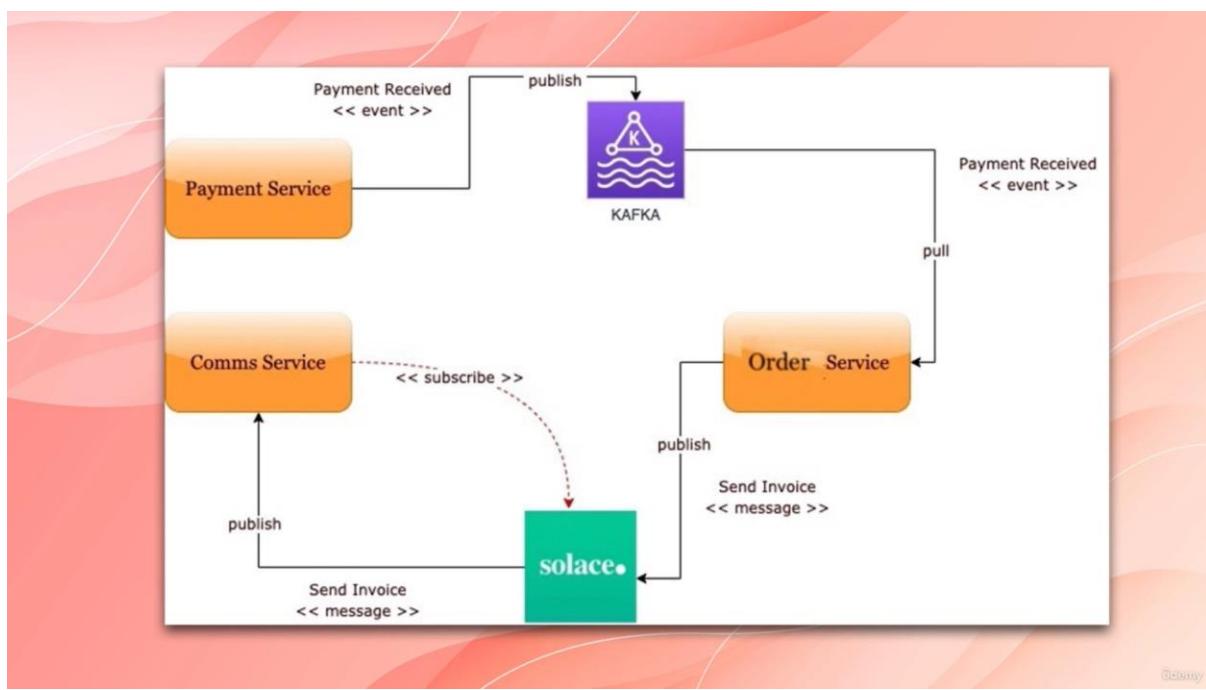
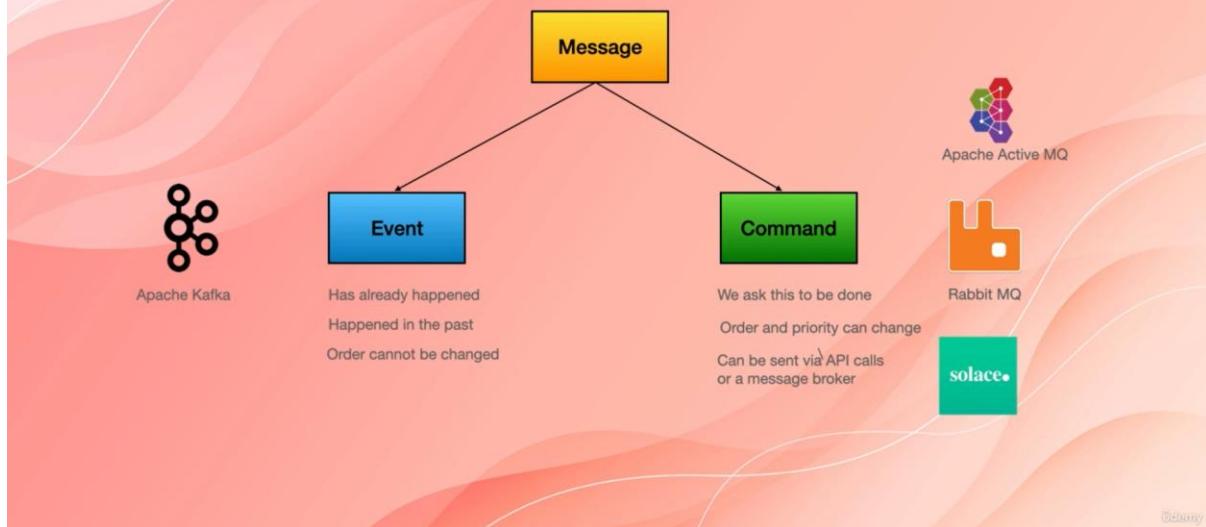
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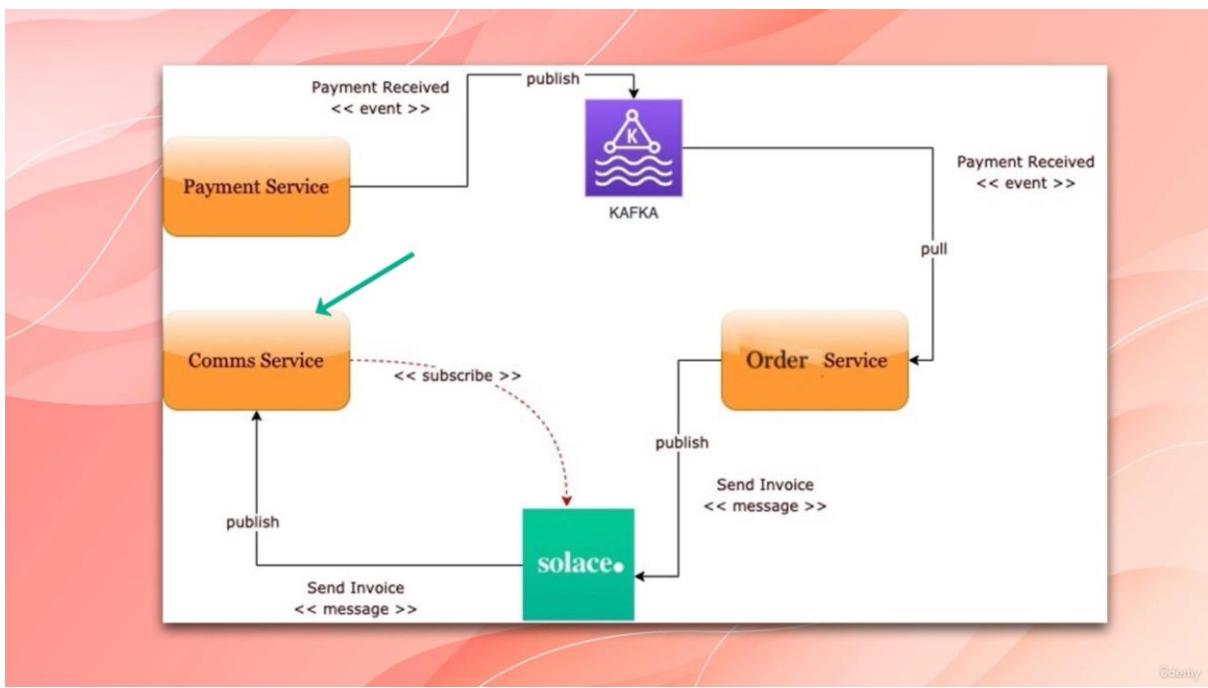
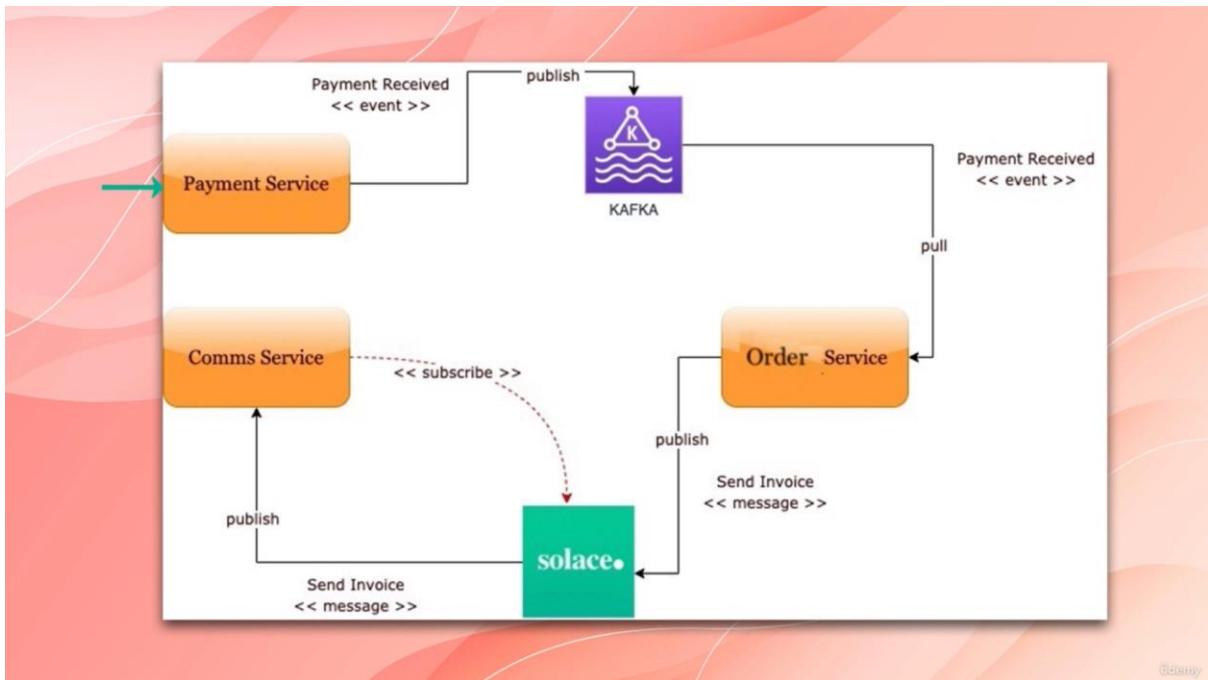


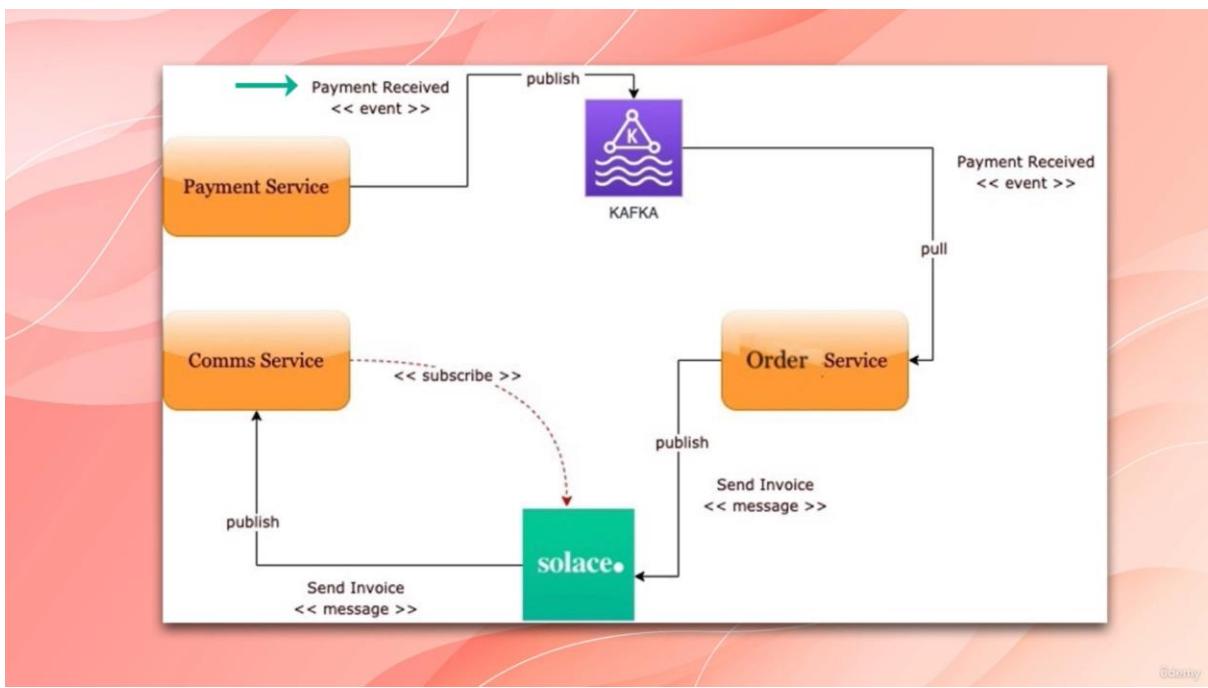
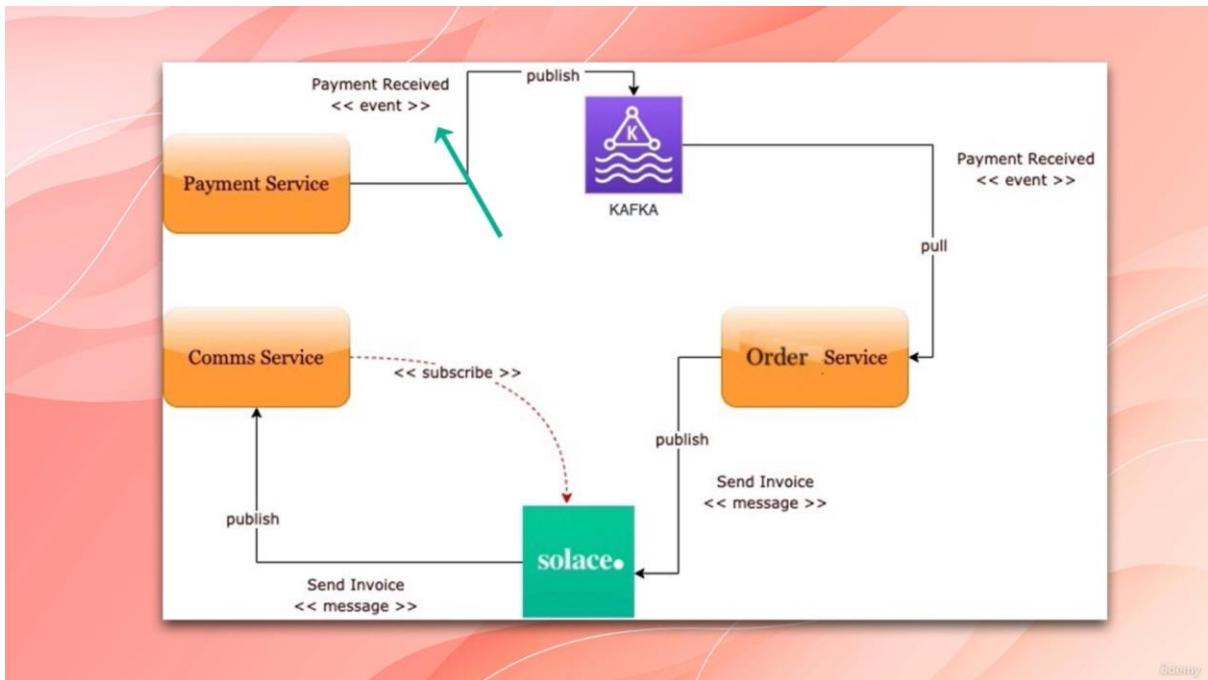
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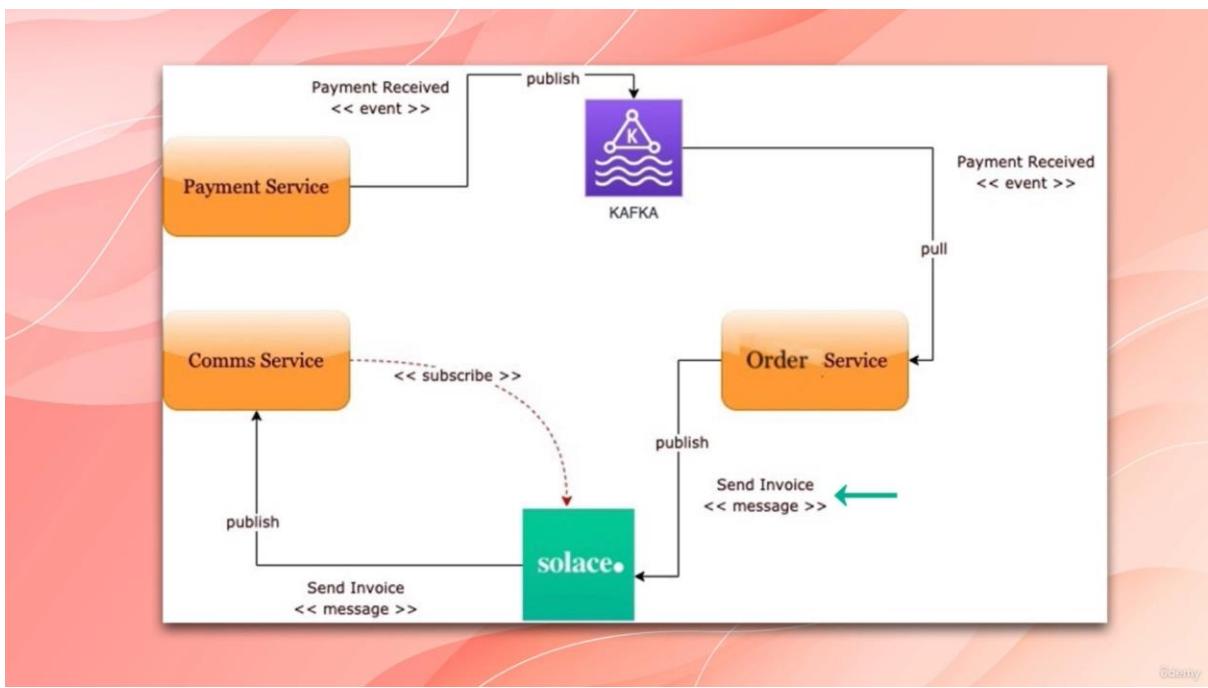
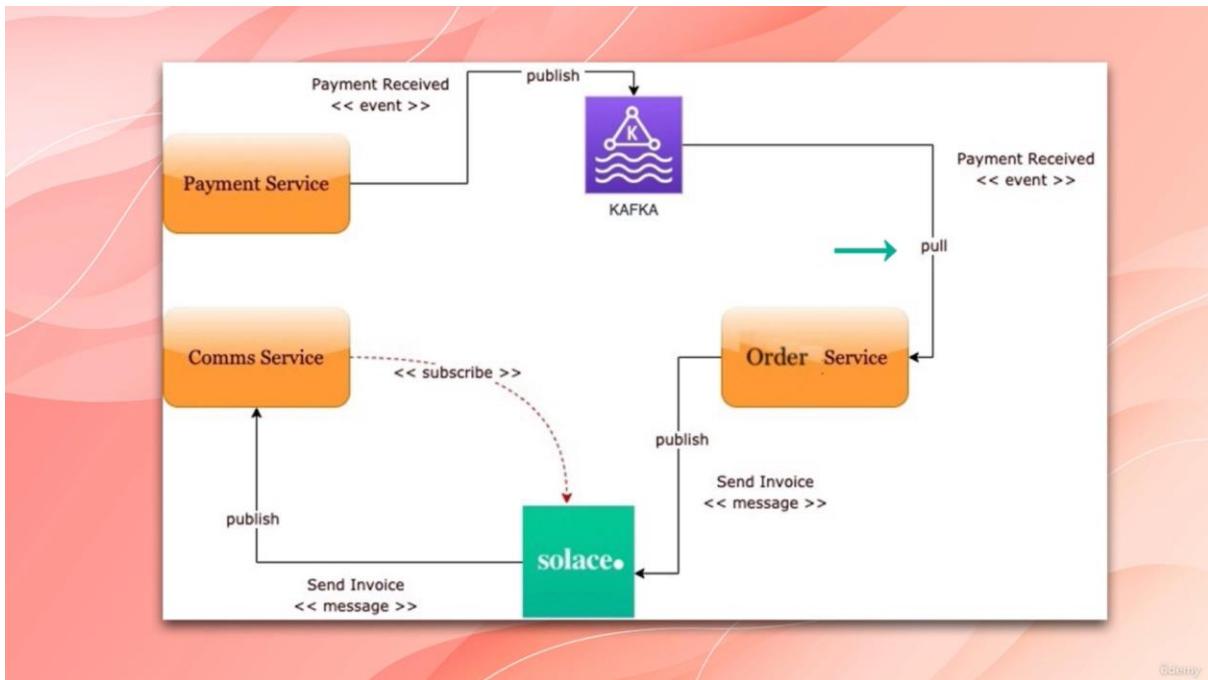


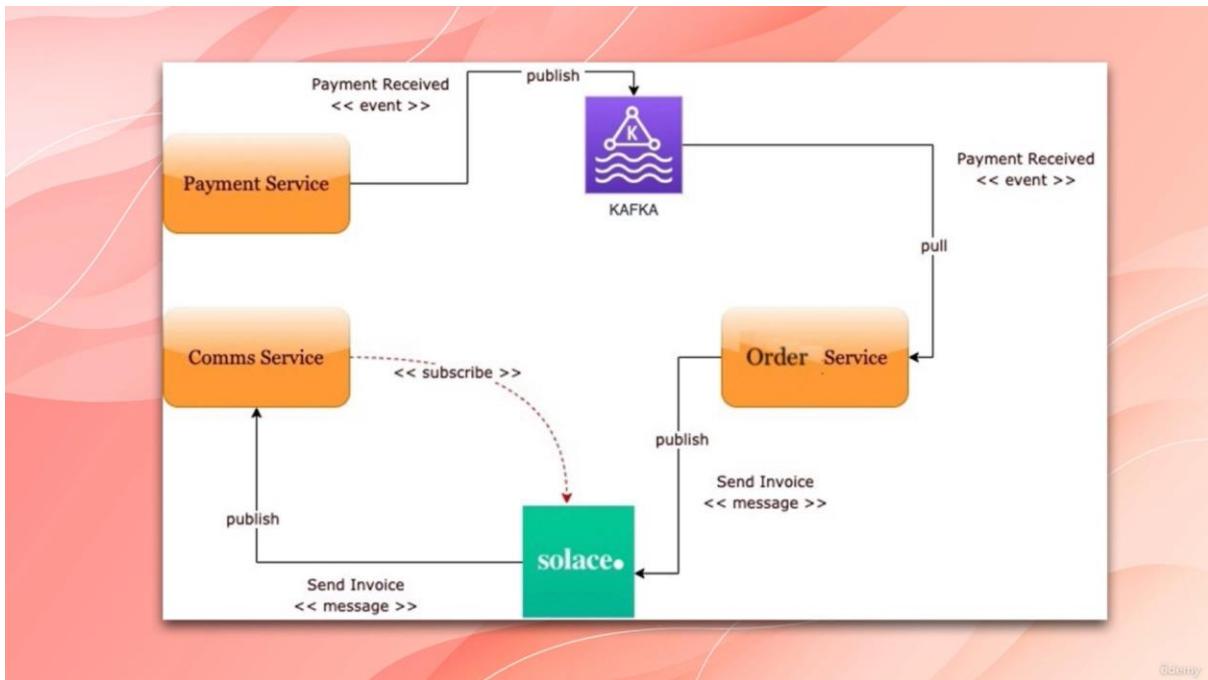
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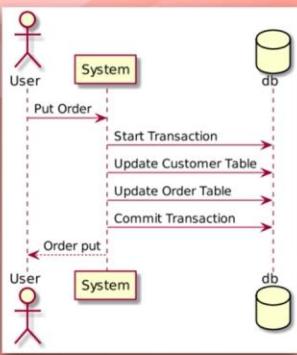




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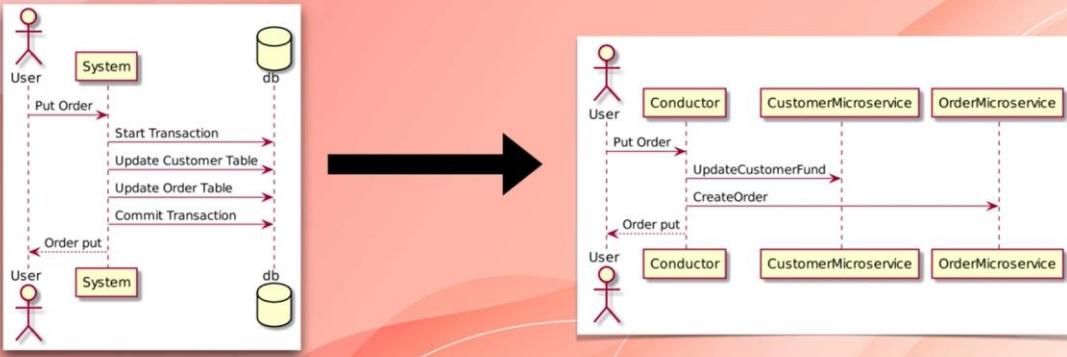
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How is Distributed Transactions Handled?

- There are two patterns for handling distributed transactions
 - Two-Phase Commit Transactions (2PC) (not recommended)
 - Saga Pattern

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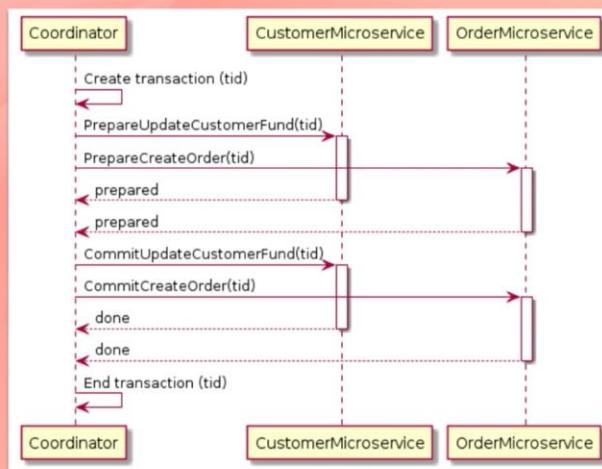
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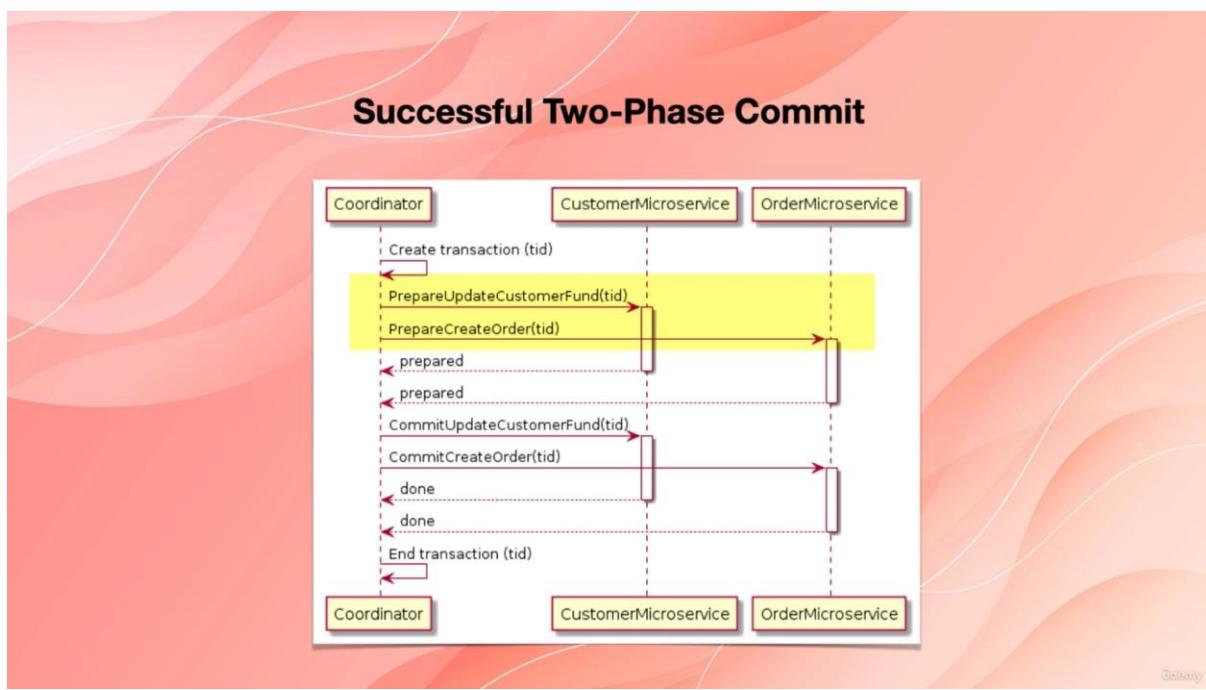
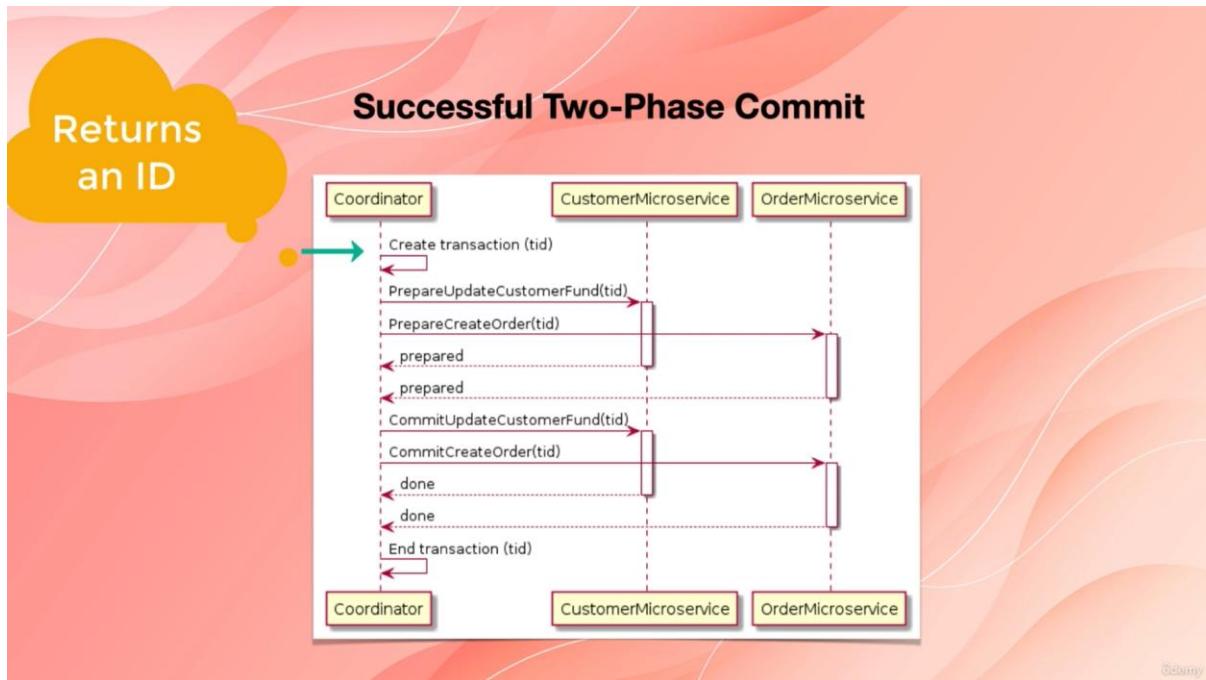
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 - Microservices are asked to prepare for change
Create a record in the database and set its Status field or column to 0 (0 means not stable)
 - Microservices are asked make the final and actual change
Set the Status field or column to 1 (finalised)
- A Coordinator microservice is needed to maintain the life-cycle of the transaction

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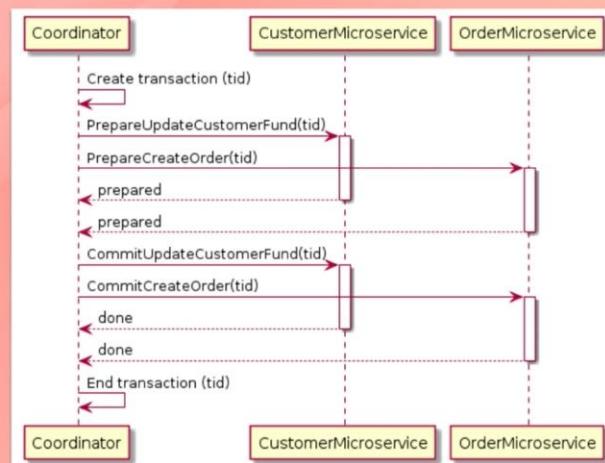
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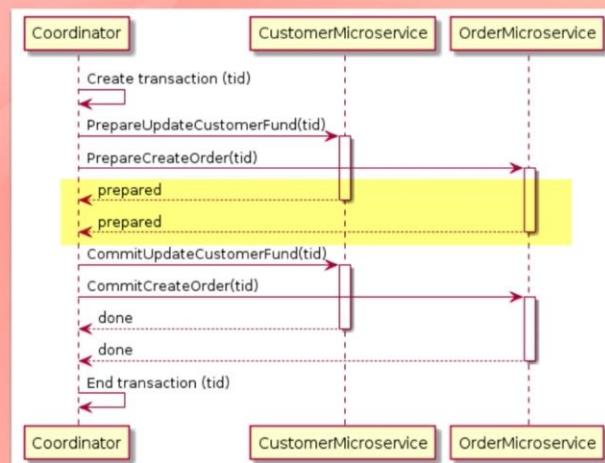


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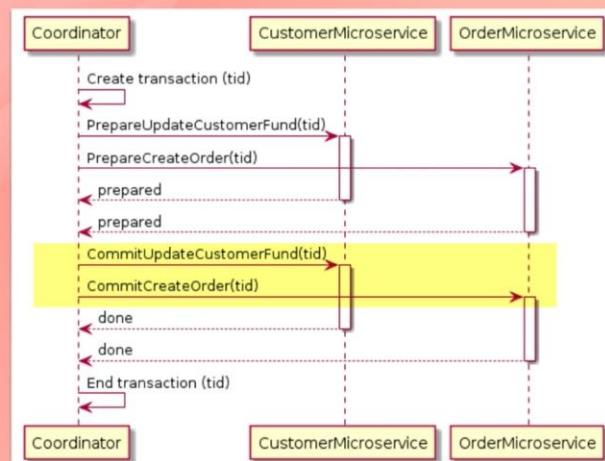
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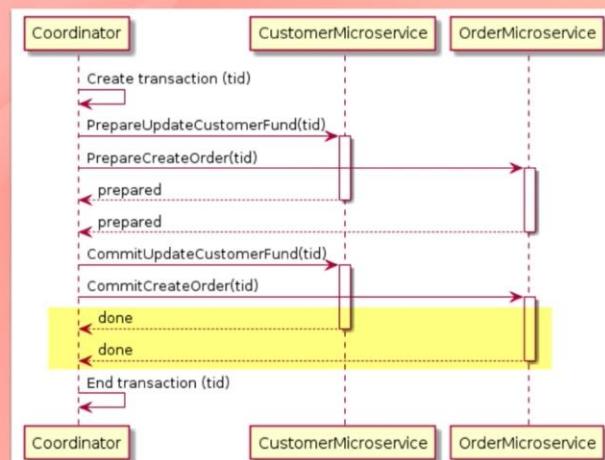


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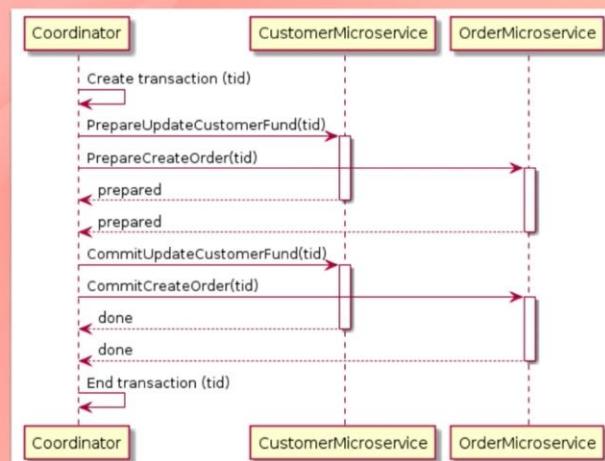
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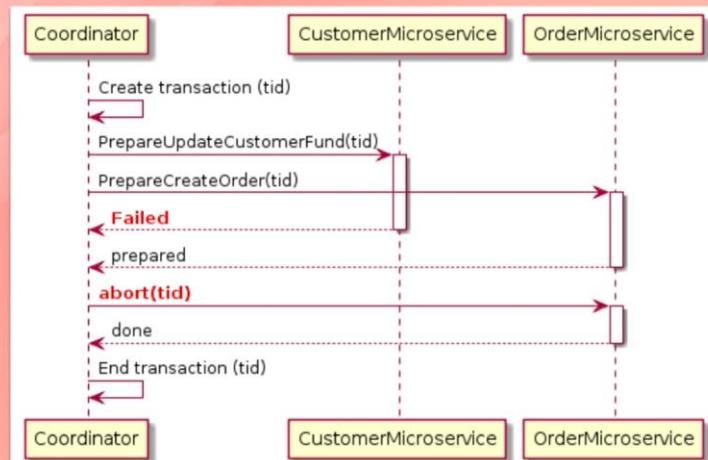
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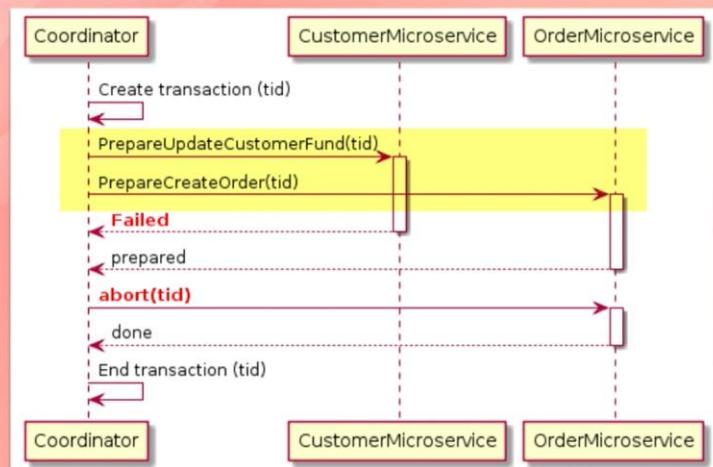
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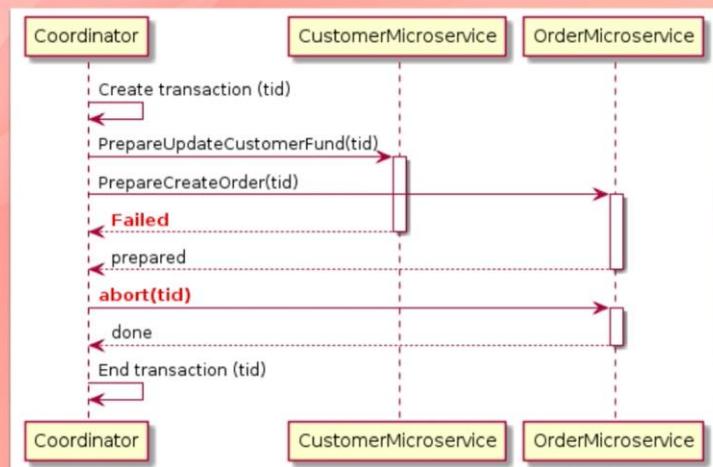
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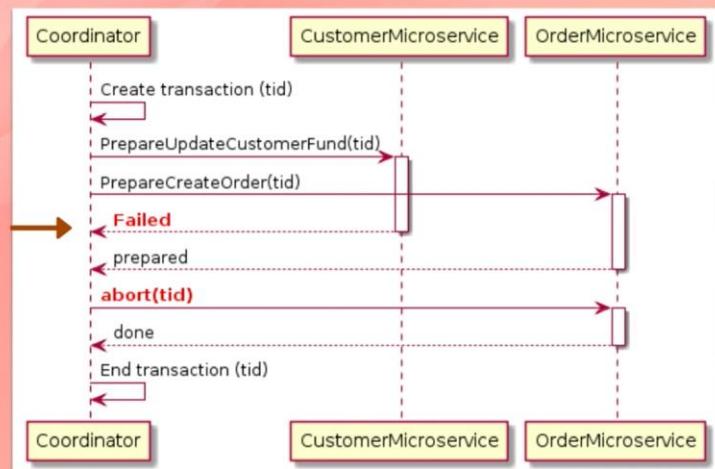
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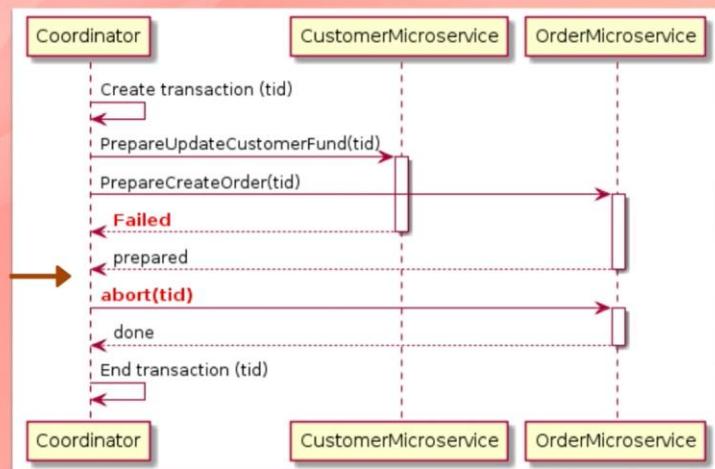


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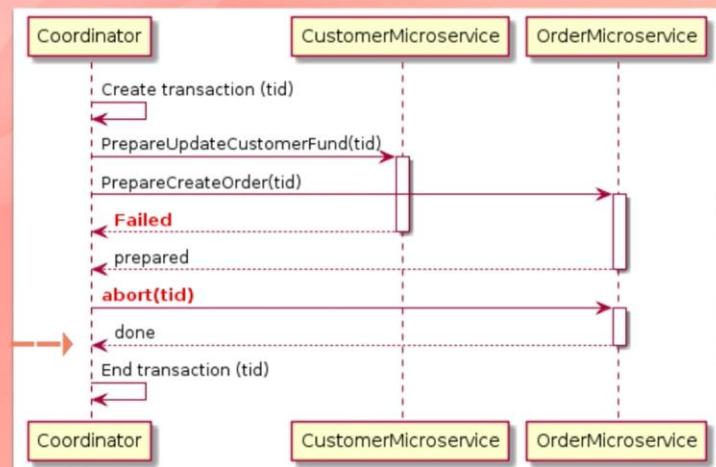


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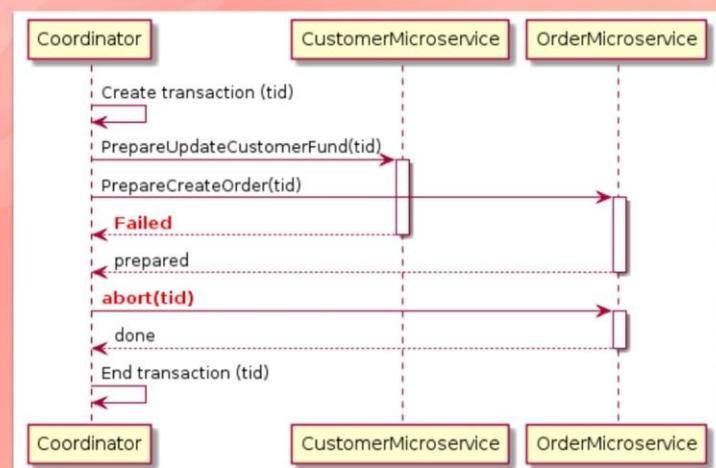
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For Distributed Transactions

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- Asynchronous
- Each micro service handles its own transaction
- There are two sub-patterns
 - Choreography patterns

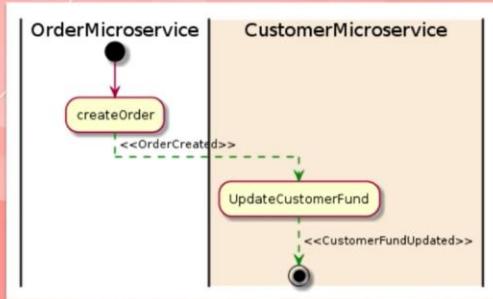
If something goes wrong, micro services have to tell the upstream (previous) micro services to Roll Back the transaction

- Orchestration patterns

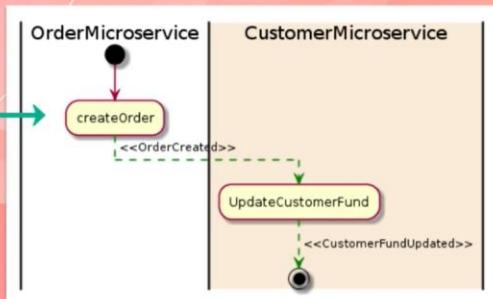
A central micro service delivers the messages for roll-backs

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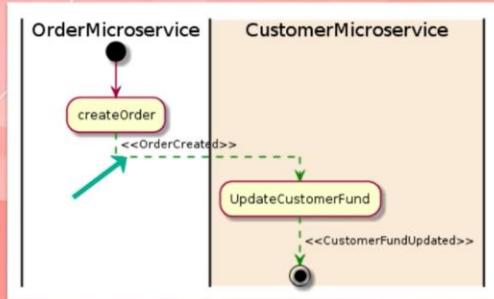
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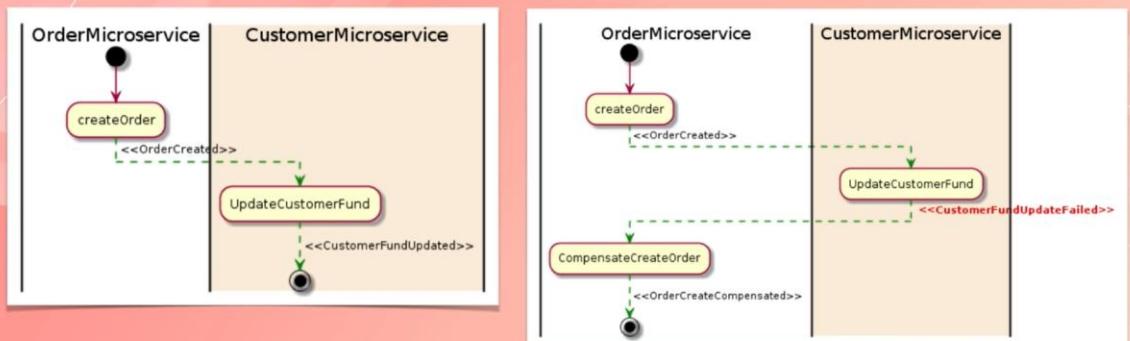


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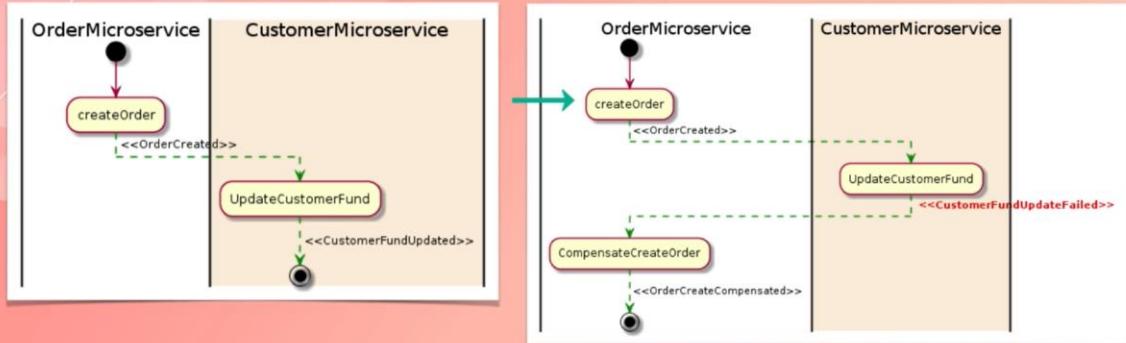
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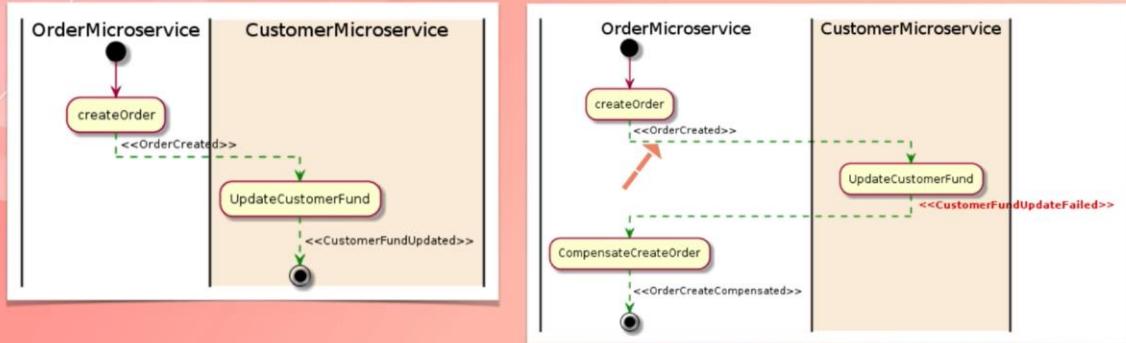
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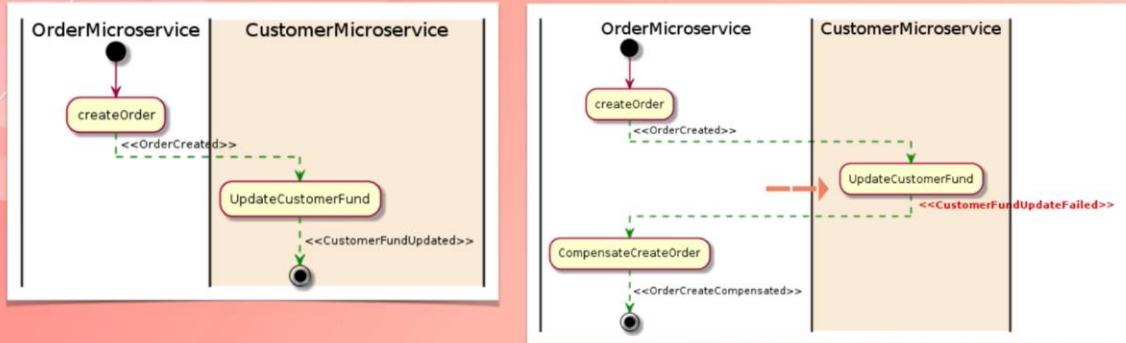
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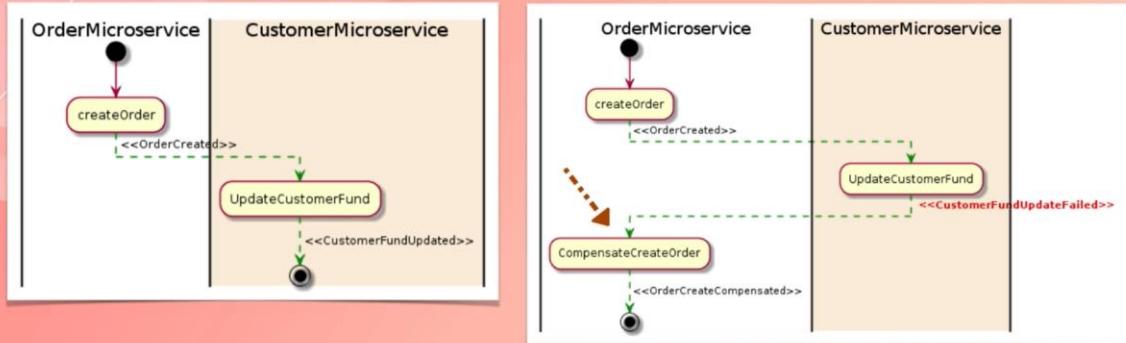
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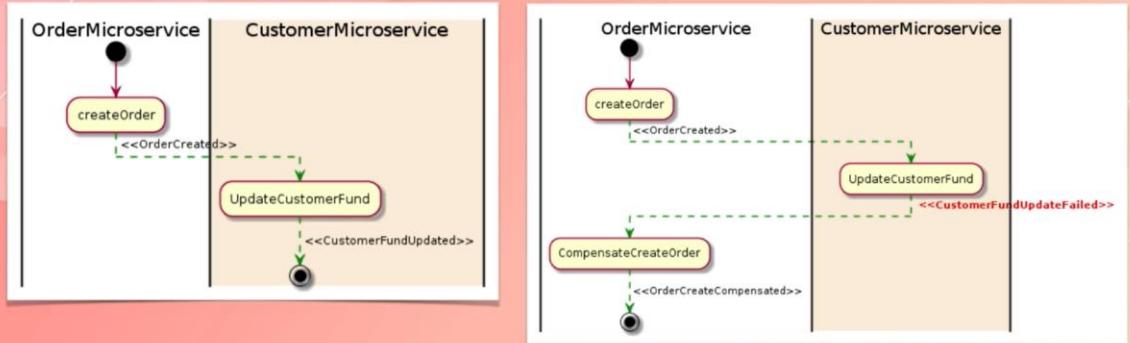
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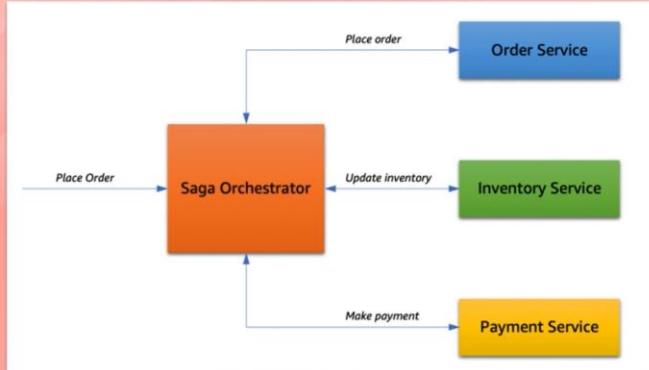
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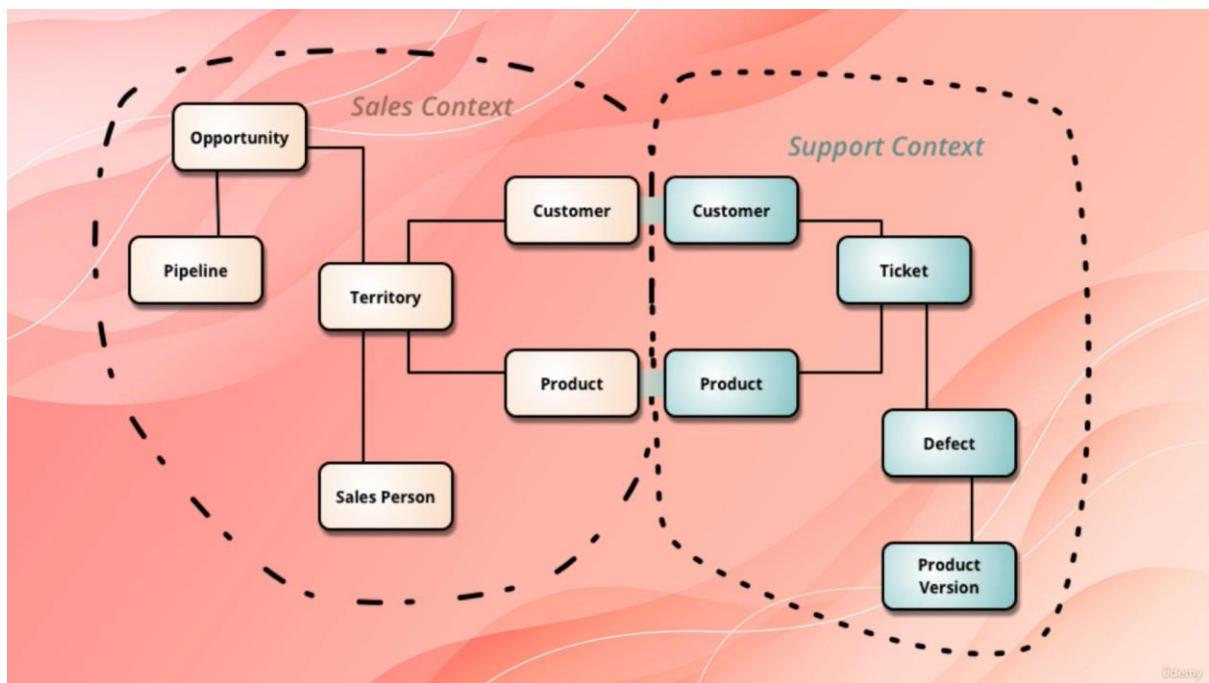


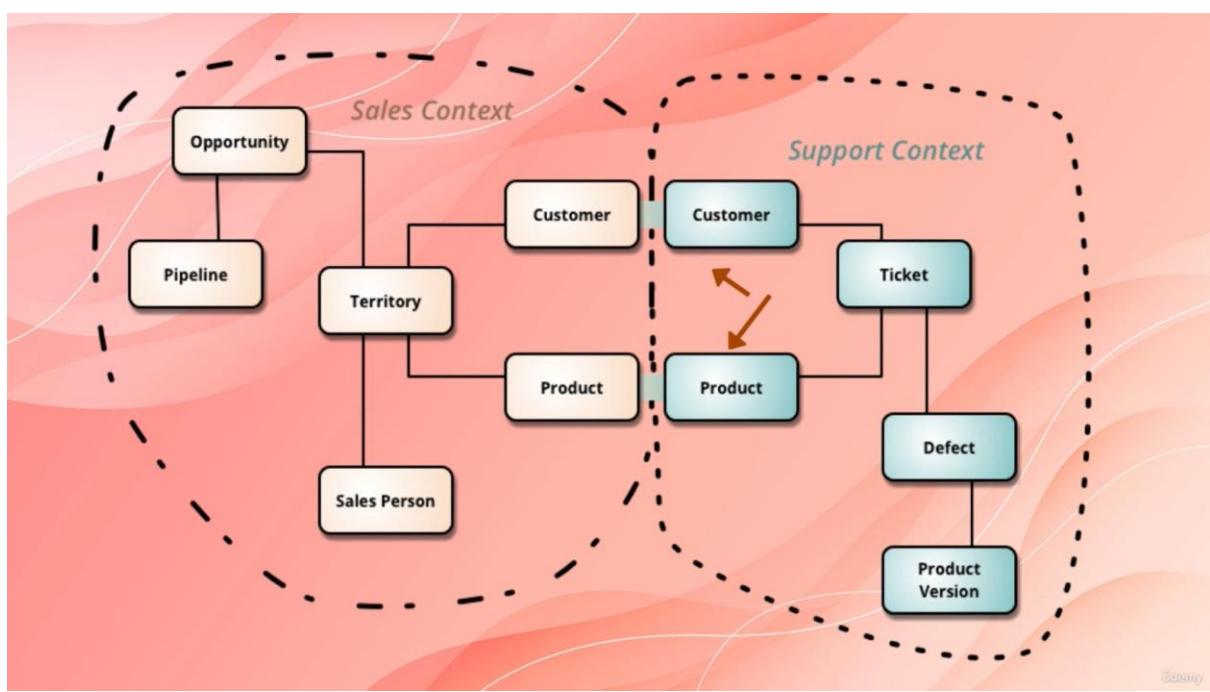
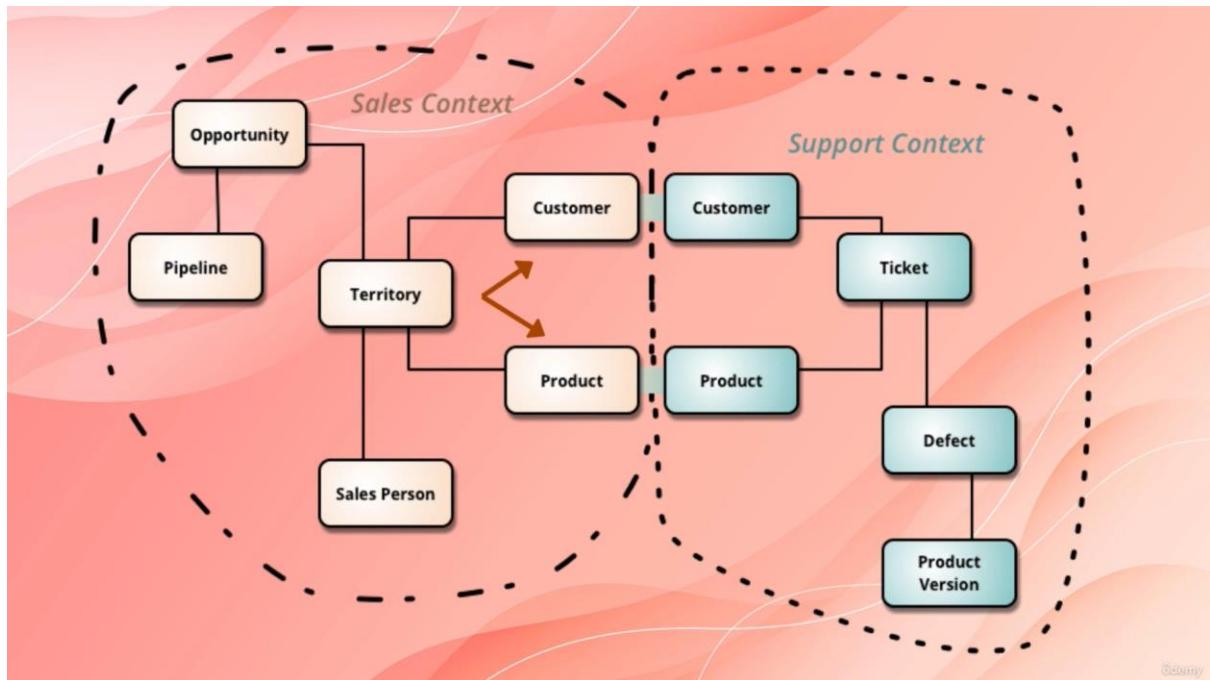
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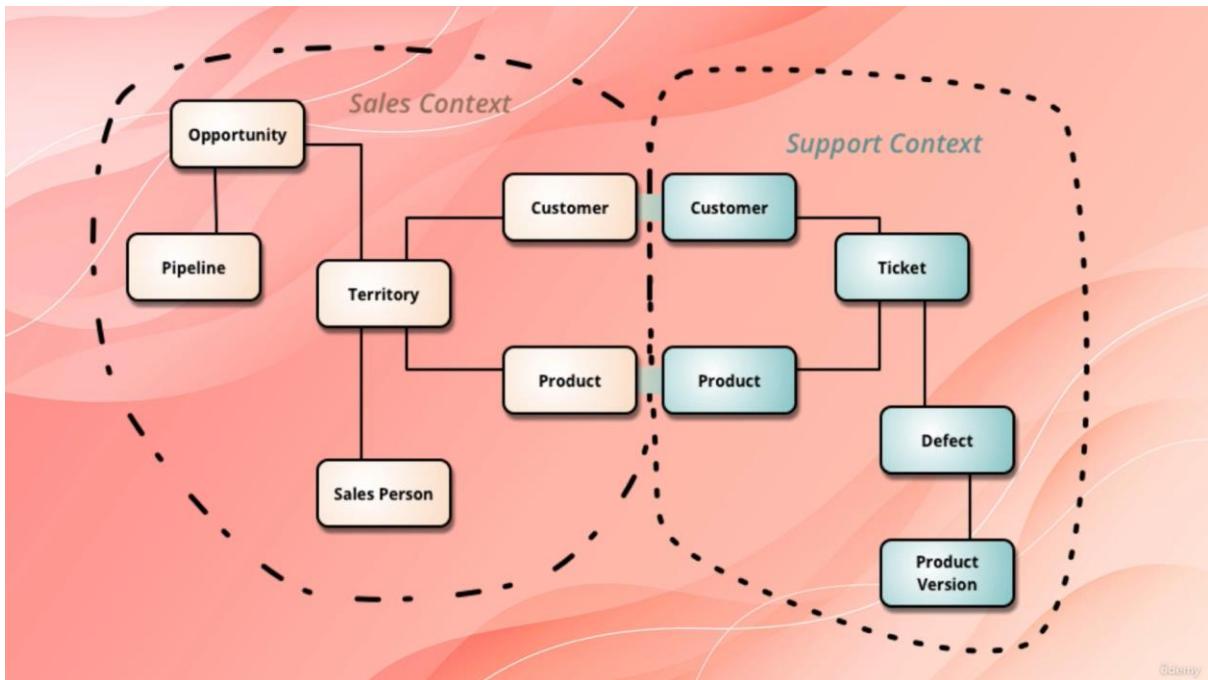
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Explain how independent microservices communicate with each other

- Point-to-Point & Synchronous API calls (not recommended)



- Responding to an Event
- Responding to a Message



Explain CDC

- CDC stands for Consumer Defined Contract
- It's a kind of test to ensure that constant changes in micro service will not break the dependent Microservices
- We have Provider (API) and Consumer (that uses the API)
- The consumer has to write the test for the contract between it and the Provider. In the pre-stage of deployment, Consumer will run the tests. Failing to pass the contract, deployment is not taken further
- The Provider also runs the consumer test on its side before deploying it to make sure that its changes won't affect the consumers to whom it is providing the service.

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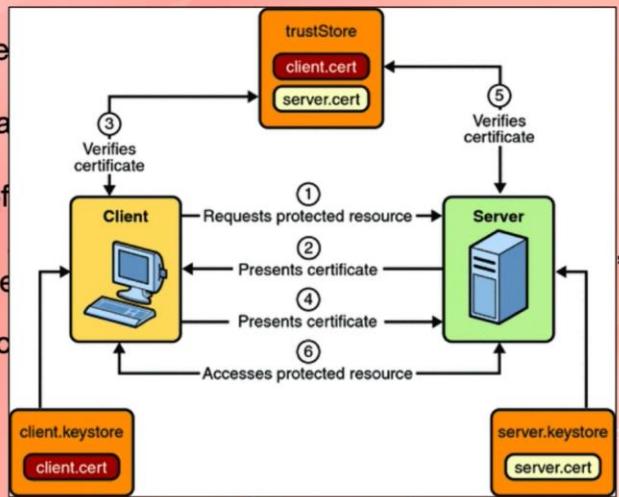
What are Client Certificates?

- Client Certificate is a method for authenticating the API user
- A Client Certificate File (public & private key pair) is used
- No encryption of data is done by Client Certificate
- When API caller (client) makes an API call (connects to server), the server validates the Client Certificate
- This process is called TLS-hand shake

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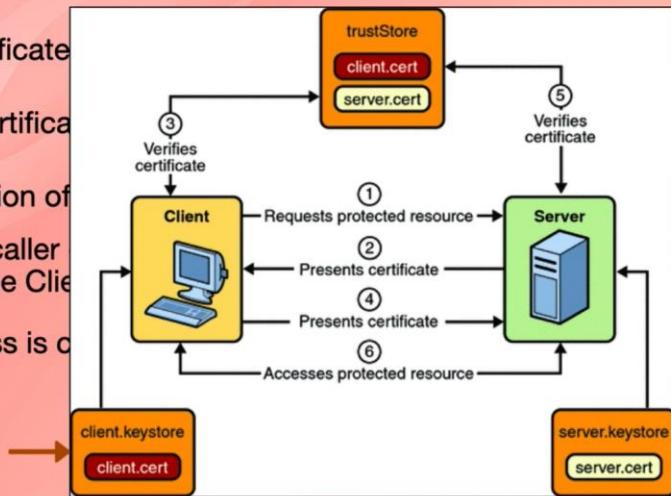
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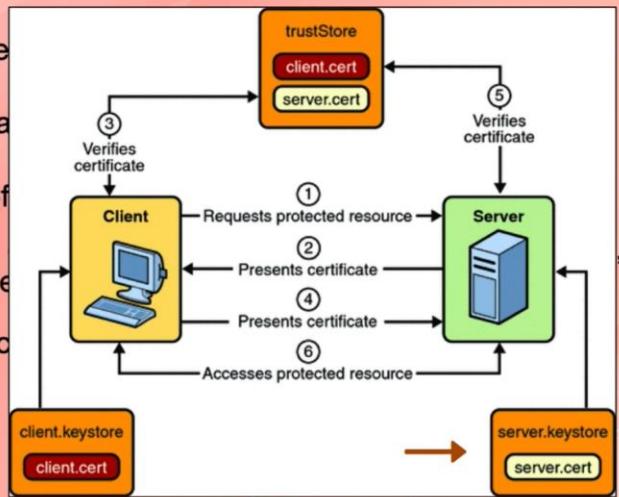
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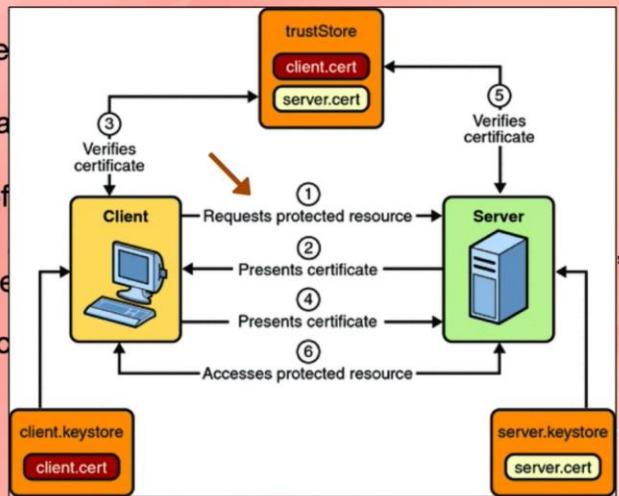
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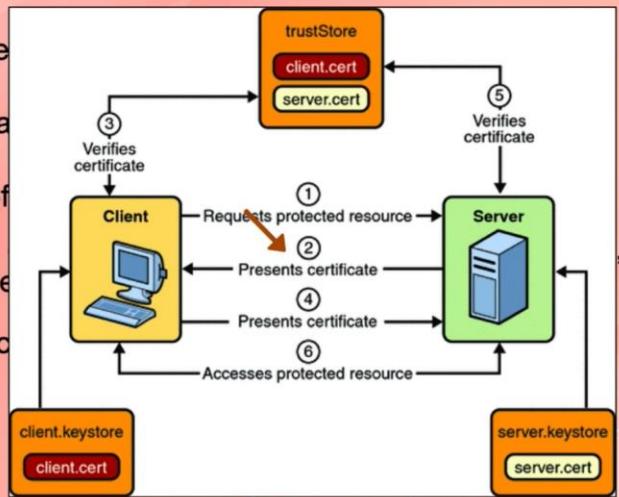
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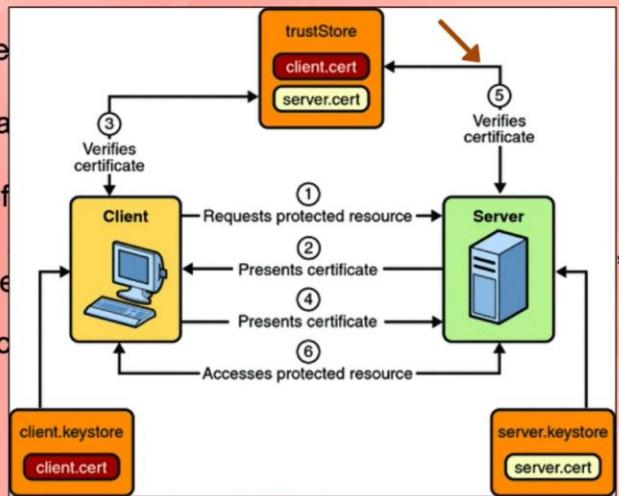
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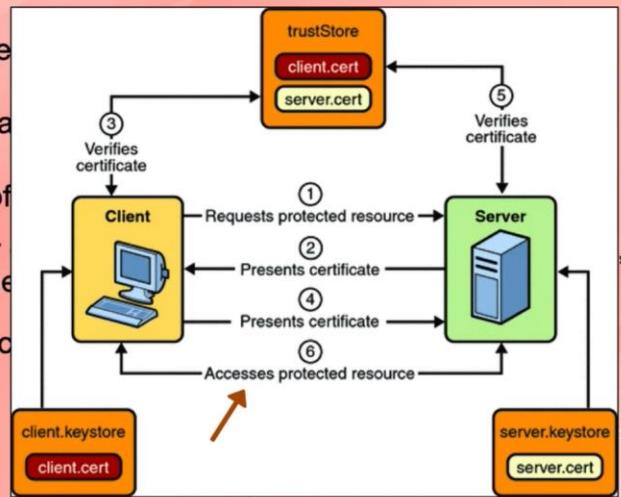
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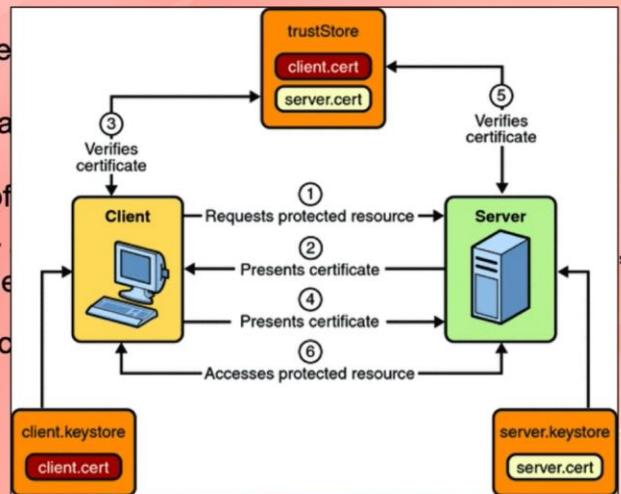
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What is Semantic Monitoring?

- Monitoring microservices is crucial
- Service layer monitoring

Is my micro service working as expected?

Achieved via Health Endpoints (/health), Telemetry (i.e. Prometheus & Grafana) etc

- Semantic monitoring

Approaches micro service monitoring from the business transaction, or semantic, perspective.

How well the transaction performs for the business and the customers who use it

Achieved via Functional Testing

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What is Continuous Monitoring?

- Continuous Monitoring (CM) is also known as Continuous Control Monitoring (CCM)
- CM is an automated process that allows engineers to detect compliance and security threats in their software development lifecycle and infrastructure.
- Unlike traditional manual & periodical checks, CM helps to identify and track key risks in real time because it uses automation.

CONTINUOUS MONITORING



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Explain OAuth

- OAuth stands for Open Authentication
- Users and Credentials are stored in an authentication server i.e. Google
- Credentials are made of Scope and Claim
 - Scope: What information can be accessed by the user? i.e. Full Name
 - Claim: A set of key-value pairs

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Why OAuth suits Micro Services?

- User authenticates against an auth server ONCE
- Using the same Authentication Token all Microservices that use the same Auth Server can be accessed (if they allow)

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Explain Idempotence and its usage

- Idempotence is a concept: produce same output for same input
- It is used to make Microservices more resilient
- Some Microservices are triggered by receiving messages from a message broker i.e. ActiveMQ
- Message brokers may send a message more than once
- Microservices must be programmed to handle duplicate messages
- Handling duplicate messages is called Idempotence
- This is done by
 - Every message must have a unique identifier
 - Microservice stores the message in a local database

What is Service Discovery

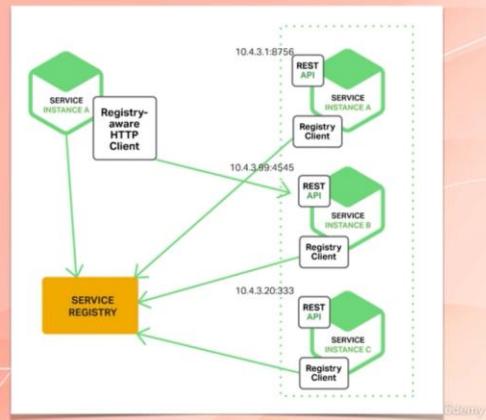
And how is it implemented?

- Service Discovery is used to find where a service is (IP & DNS name)
- This is needed because in the cloud i.e. AWS services have dynamic IPs or DNS name
- Service Instances (i.e. a virtual machine or container) register or write their IP or DNS name in a service registry
- Service Registry is a Key-Value pair storage. Service Name, IP

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Client-Side Service Discovery

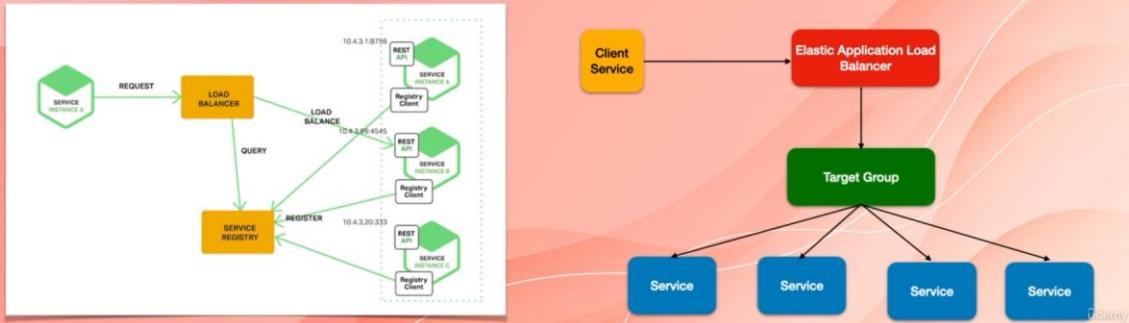
- The client service is responsible for discovering the network location of the services and load balance across them.
- Services register their IP when they start up
- IP of a service is removed using a Heart Beat mechanism
- No Load Balancer will be required



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Server-Side Service Discovery

- The client connects to Service Registry via a Load Balancer
- The load balancer queries the Service Registry
- The load balancer routes the traffic to target micro service



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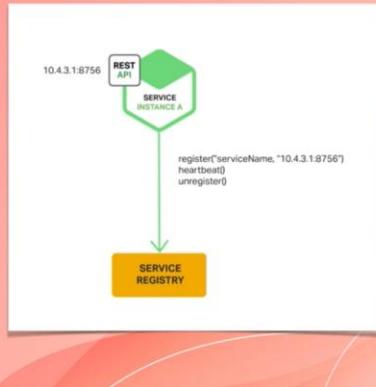
Examples of Service Registry Systems

- etcd: A highly available, distributed service discovery system. Used by Kubernetes
- Hashicorp consul: Offers fast service discovery, load balancing and APIs for registering and de-registering services
- Apache Zookeeper: Used to coordinate distributed systems. It was built for Hadoop. Commonly used alongside Apache Kafka

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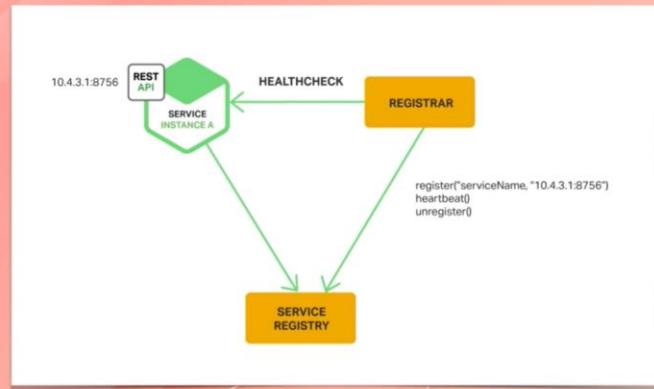
- Self Registration: Services register and de-register themselves



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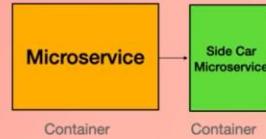
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- Third-Party Registration: Another system or micro service does the registration and de-registration



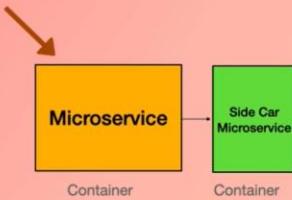
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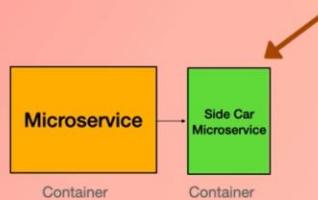
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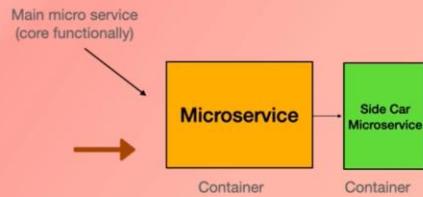
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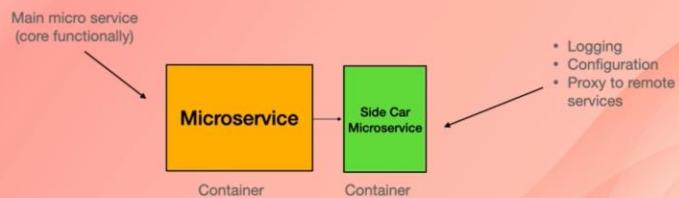
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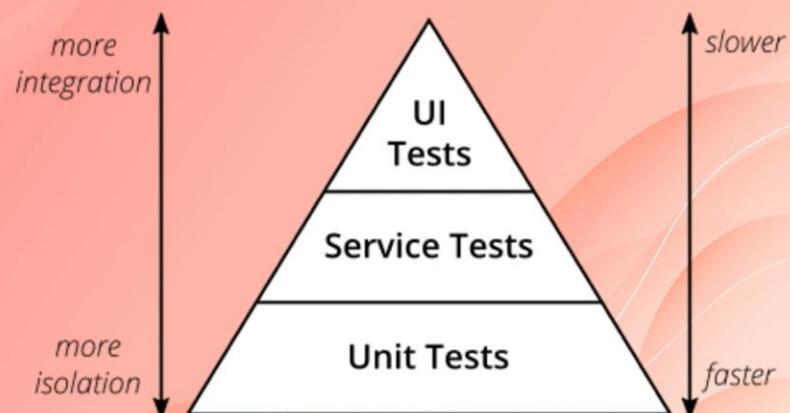
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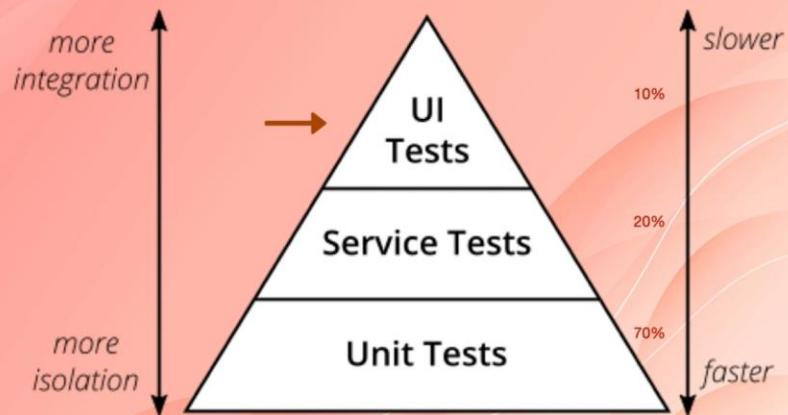
- Functional Testing: Is the overall system working?
- Load Testing: Does the service scale when the load goes up?
- Resilience Testing: How the application reacts to infrastructure failure.

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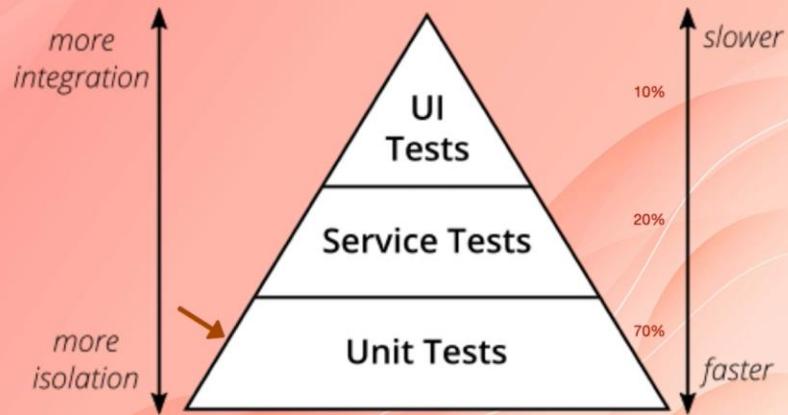
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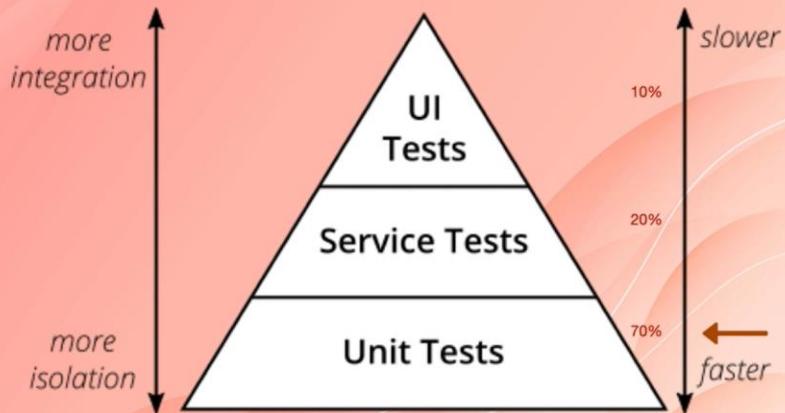
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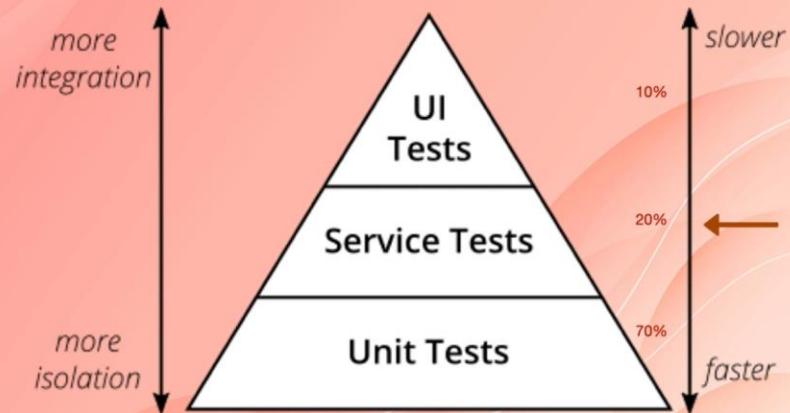
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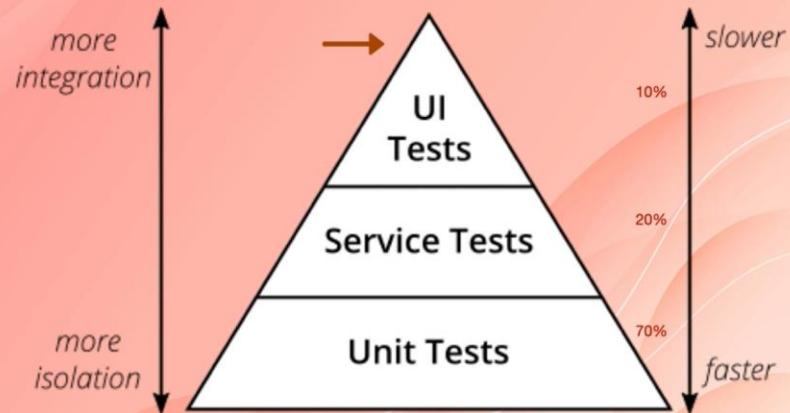
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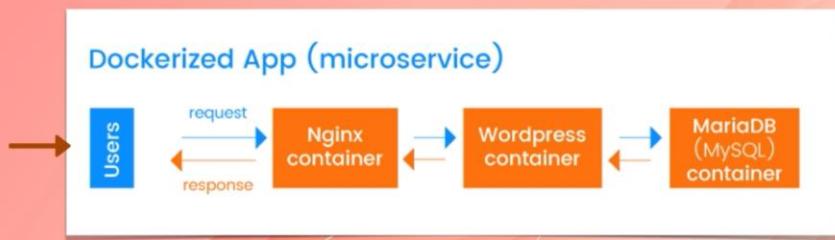
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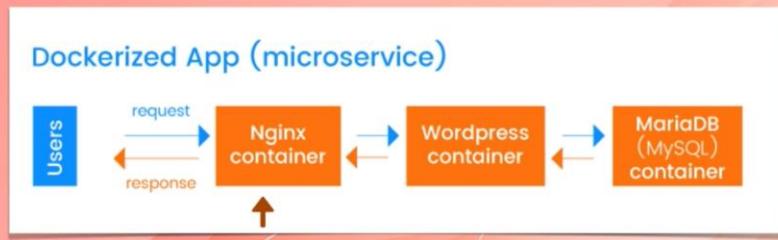
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What is the main role of docker in micro services?

- Create Image: Packages the application and all its dependencies to a binary file called Docker Image.
- Run Containers: A running instance of a Docker Image is a Docker Container
- Provides Networking: Containers can connect to each other i.e. Website container connects to MySQL container

How can you deploy containers?

- Deploy to servers that have Docker on them (not recommended)
- Deploy to server-less container services i.e. AWS Fargate
- Deploy to a container orchestration service i.e. Kubernetes. They provide networking, monitoring, logging and access control.

What is Restful API?

- An API, or *application programming interface*, is a set of rules that define how applications or devices can connect and communicate with each other.
- **Uniform interface.** All API requests for the same resource should look the same, no matter where the request comes from
- **Client-server decoupling.** In REST API design, client and server applications must be completely independent of each other.
- **Statelessness.** REST APIs are stateless, meaning that each request needs to include all the information necessary for processing it
- **Cacheability.** When possible, resources should be cacheable on the client or server side.
- **Layered system architecture.** In REST APIs, the calls and responses go through different layers. Don't assume that the client and server applications connect directly to each other.

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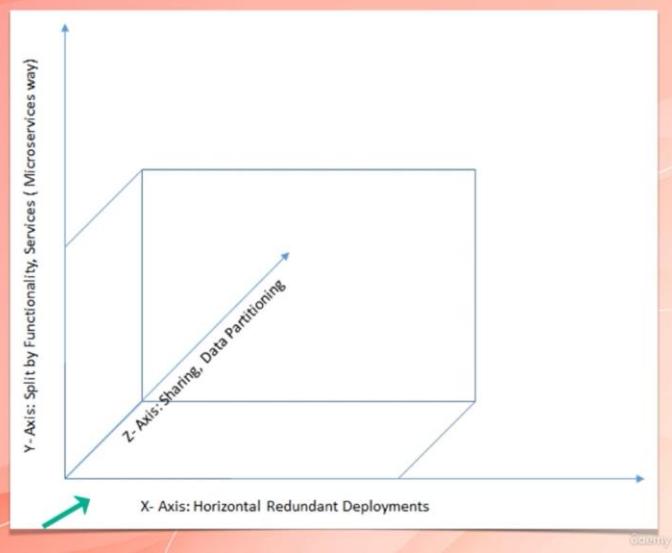
What are the ways of testing the security of micro services?

- **DAST.** Dynamic Application Security Testing aka Black Box.
 - Tests the security of the end-to-end application
 - Is done by injecting malicious data or input i.e. SQL Injection
- **SAST.** Static Application Security Testing aka White Box Testing
 - Finds the security issues by scanning and reviewing the source code
- **IAST.** Interactive Application Security Testing
 - Suits more modern applications i.e. Mobile Apps
 - Combines both DAST and SAST approaches
 - Places an engine within the application to analyse the app in real time, development and QA
- **RASP.** Run-time Application Security Protocol. It allows the applications to perform continuous security checks on itself and terminate the suspicious sessions.

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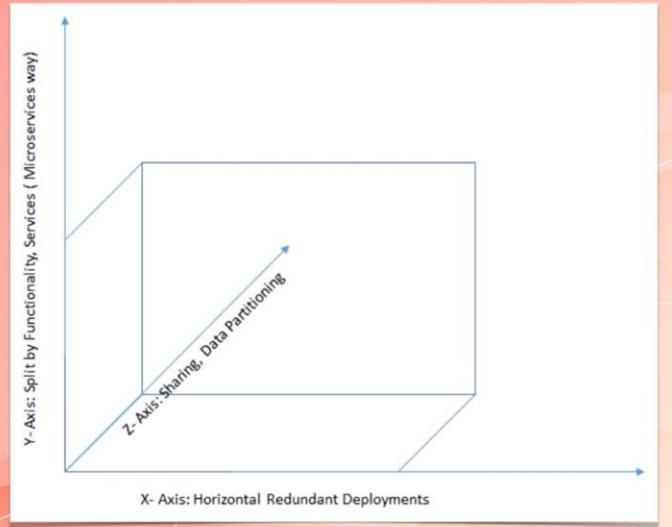
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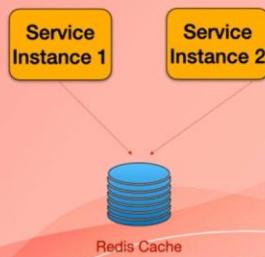
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What is Data Offloading?

- Microservices normally run in virtual machines i.e. containers
- Microservices may come and go because virtual machines are not stable
- Microservices must not store data locally because if they go the data will go with them
- Microservices must store the state and session data in a shared database such as Redis



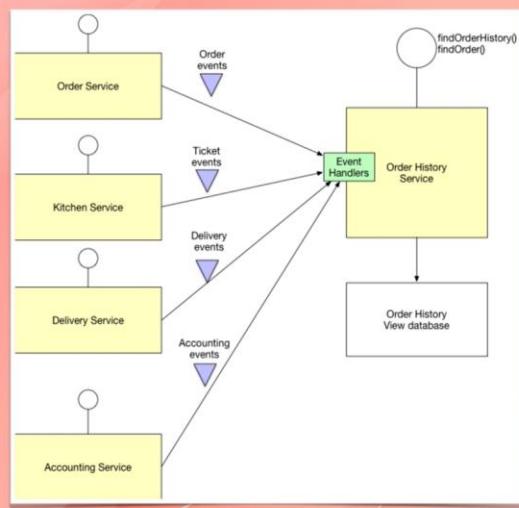
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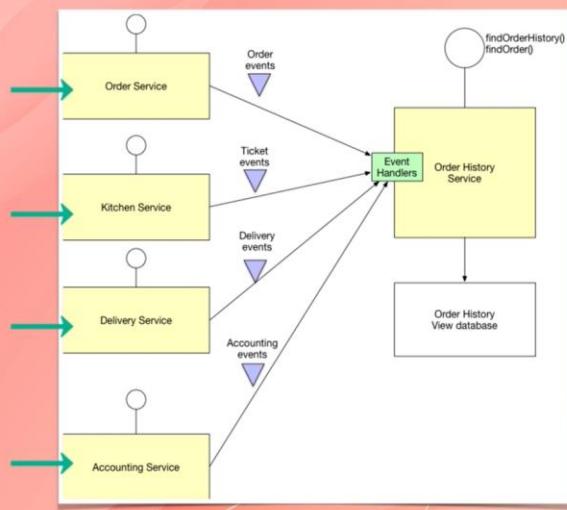
- CQRS stands for Command Query Responsibility Segregation
- Since each micro service has its own database, it is not possible to run SQL Queries across multiple tables in multiple domains
- To support querying a micro service will maintain a view of the data it needs to execute the query
- To keep the view database the micro service subscribes to domain events (Event Streaming)

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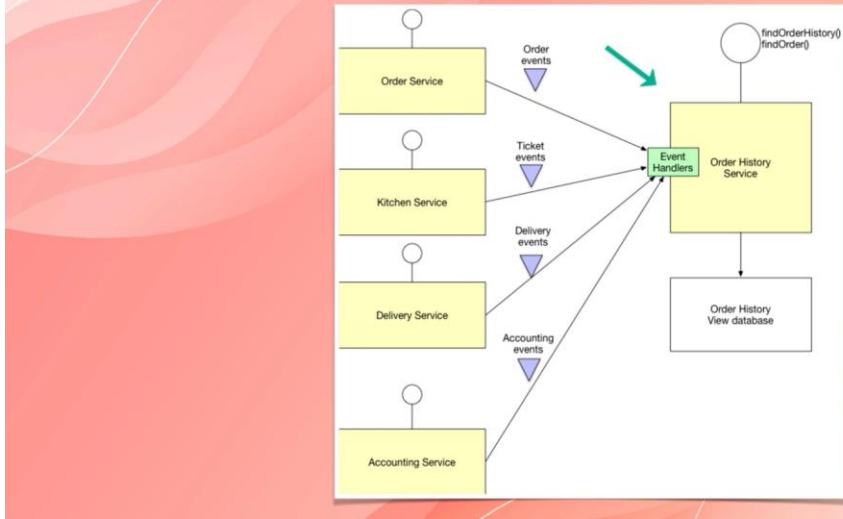
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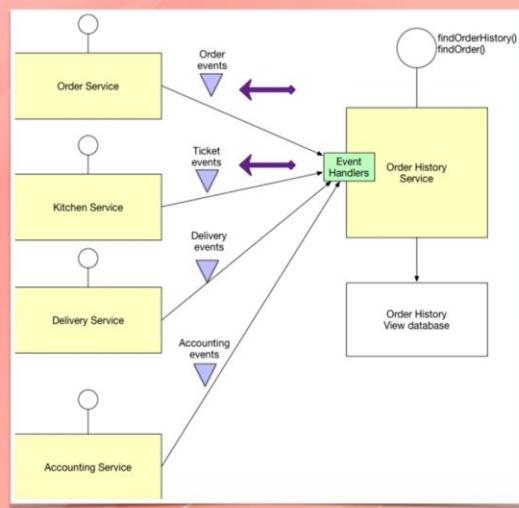
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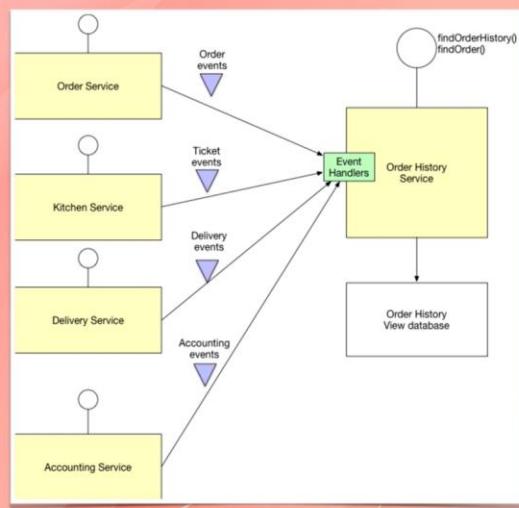
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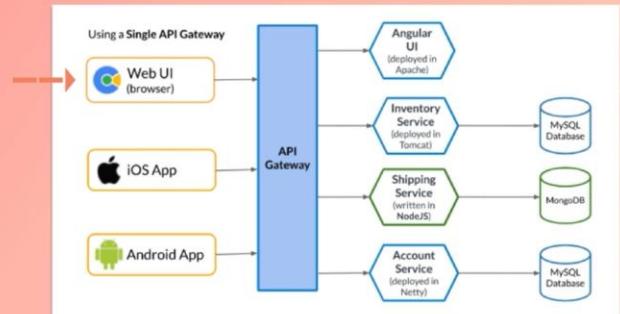


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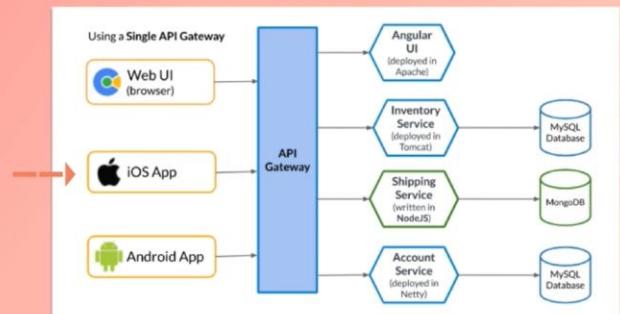
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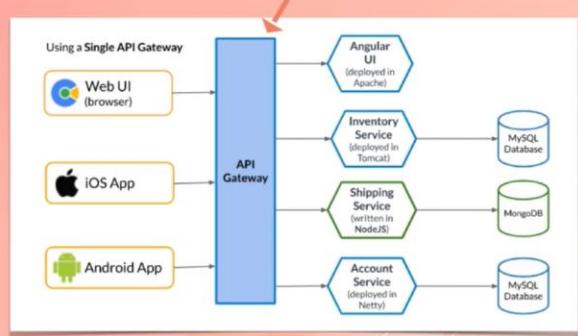
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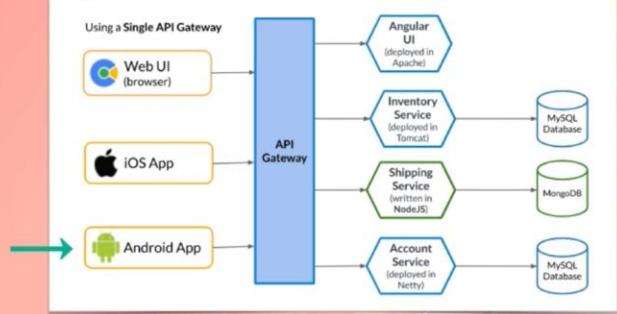
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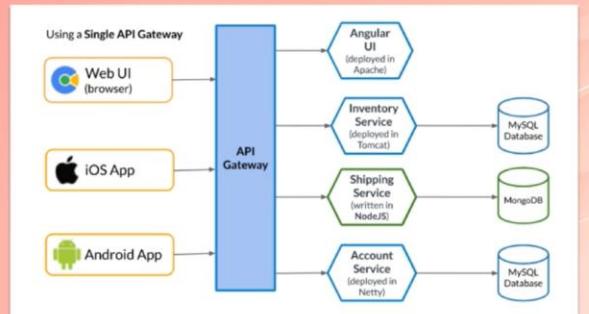
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- API Gateway handles cross-cutting issues i.e. SSL, Auth, Access Log etc



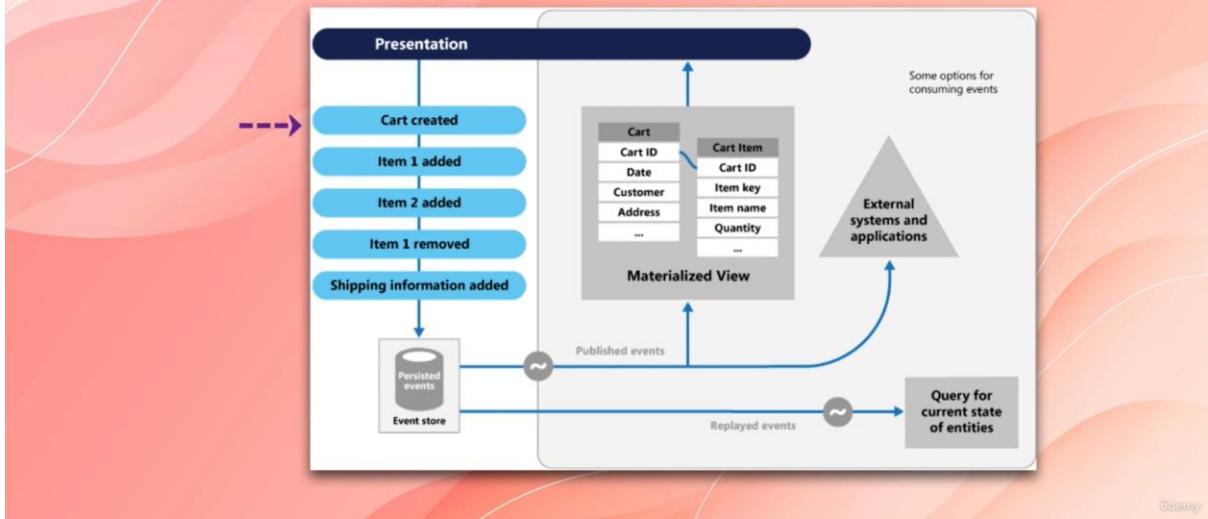
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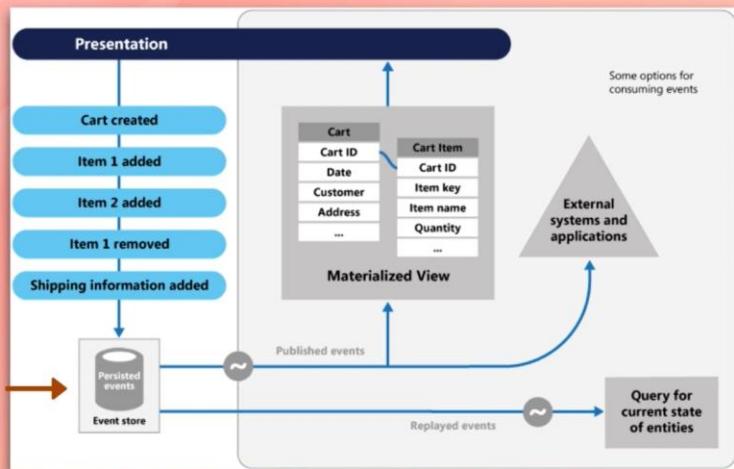
- Traditional Create, Read, Update and Delete (CRUD) has issues in micro services architecture
 - CRUD is done on the online database, reducing performance because transactions lock the tables
 - In a micro services architecture multiple services may need to update a model (i.e. an order status) so concurrency is likely
 - It's not possible to know the history of events i.e. Status = 1 , WHY?
- In Event Sourcing:
 - Micro service subscribes to Events that are relevant
 - Stores the events as they are received in an append-only table or database

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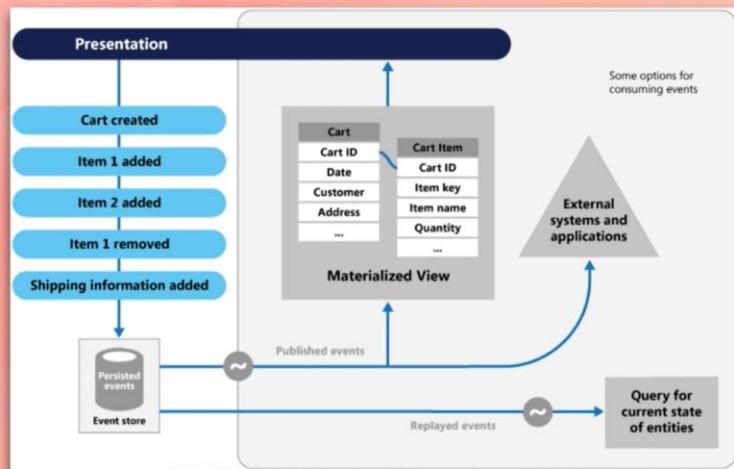
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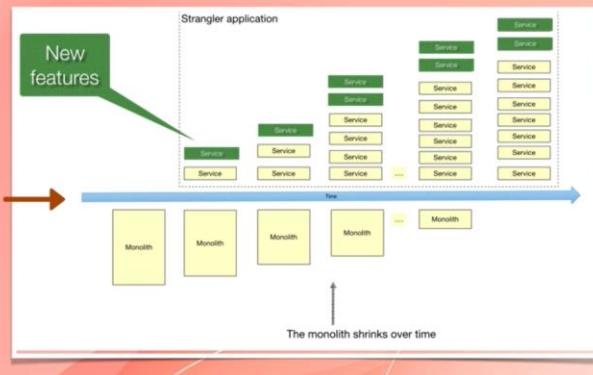


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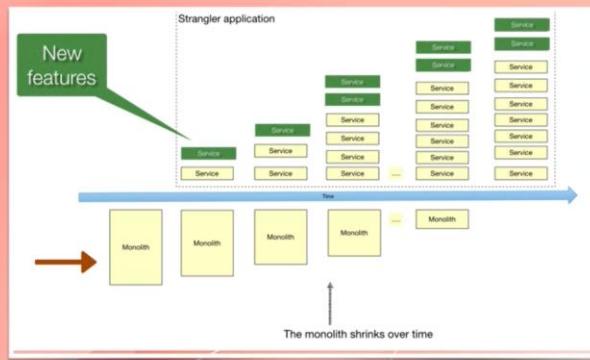
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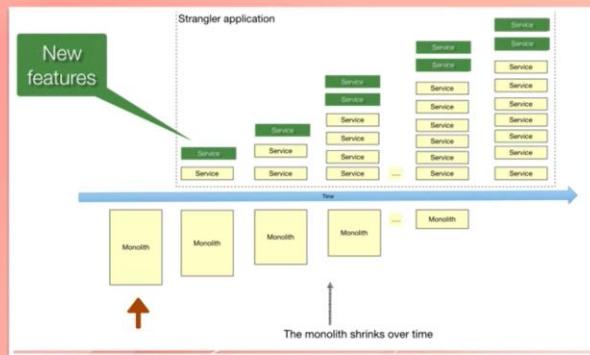
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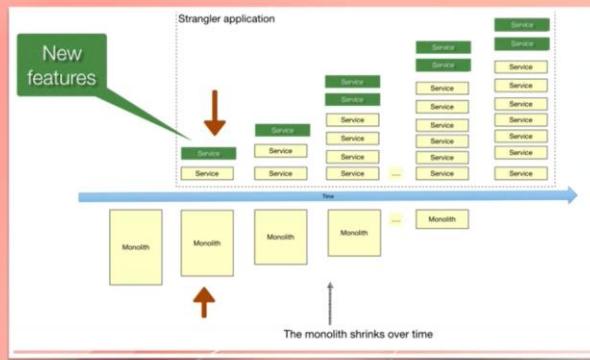
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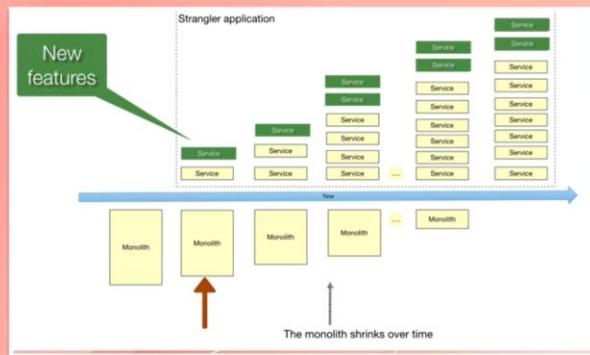
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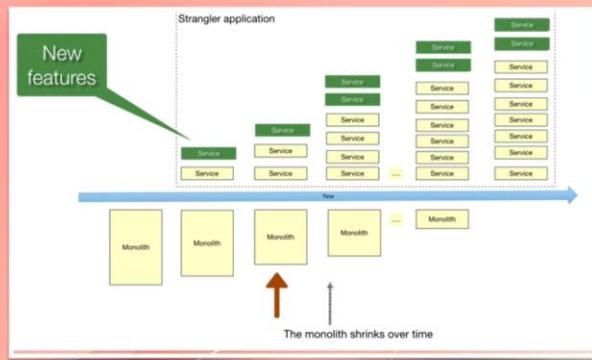
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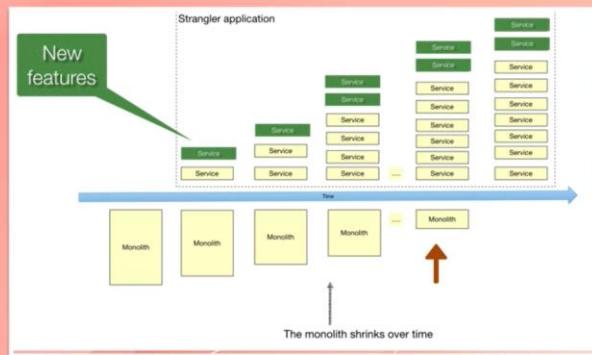
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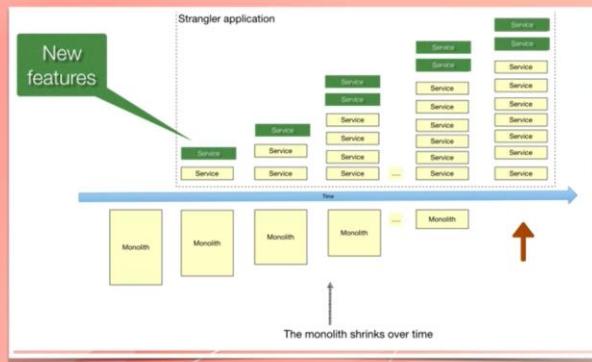
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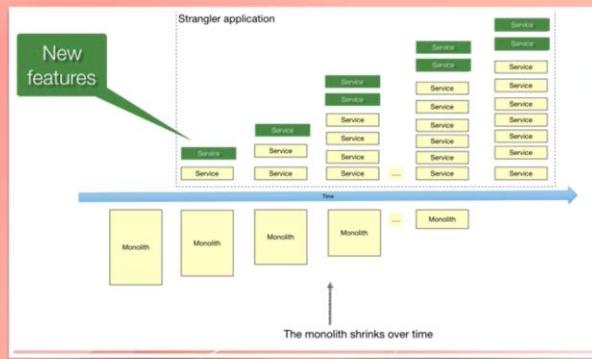
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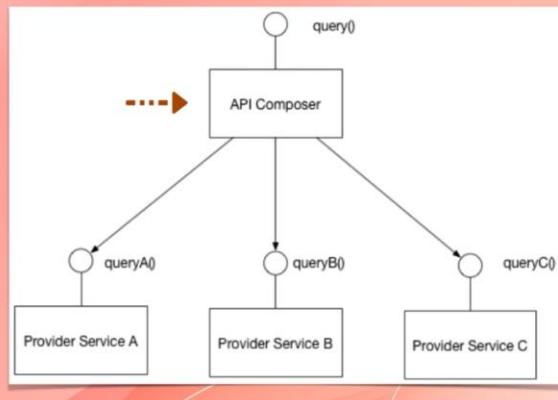
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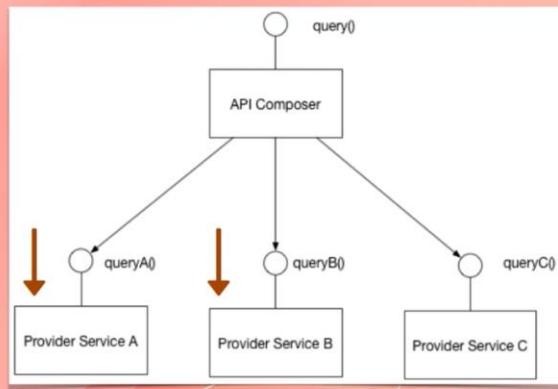
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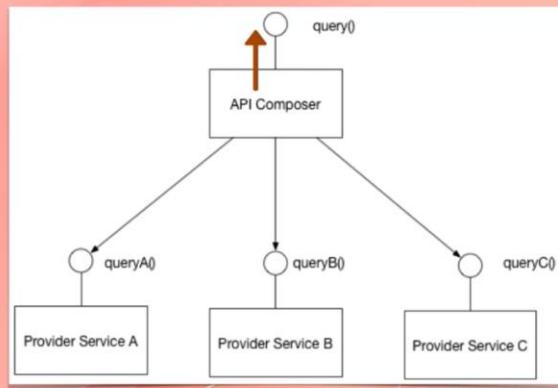
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What are patterns of Cross Cutting Concerns?

- Microservice Chassis: A framework handles Cross Cutting Concerns (CCC) i.e. Logging
 - Spring boot
 - Spring Cloud
 - DropWizard
 - Gizmo
 - GoKit
- Externalised Configuration: A service must run in multiple environments - dev, test, qa, staging, production - without modification and/or recompilation
 - Store database connection strings, log storage API endpoints etc in an external system in each environment i.e. AWS Config or Hashicorp Consul
- Service Template: Build a microservice template that includes all code for cross-cutting concerns. Use it to create new Microservices.

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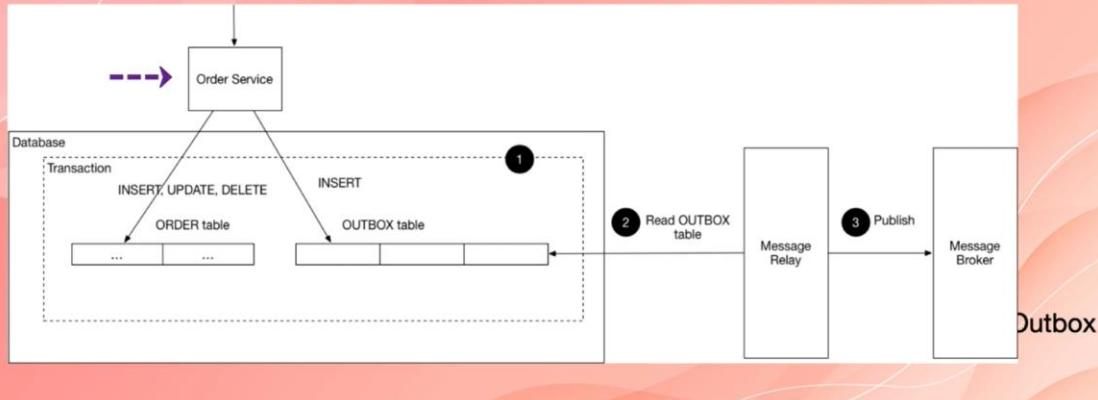
Transactional Outbox Table

- Microservices normally have to update a record locally and raise an event or send a message
- Sending a message in the middle of a transaction is not reliable
- Microservices add the message to a table while the transaction is in progress
- A Message Relay service reads the committed records from the event or message Outbox table

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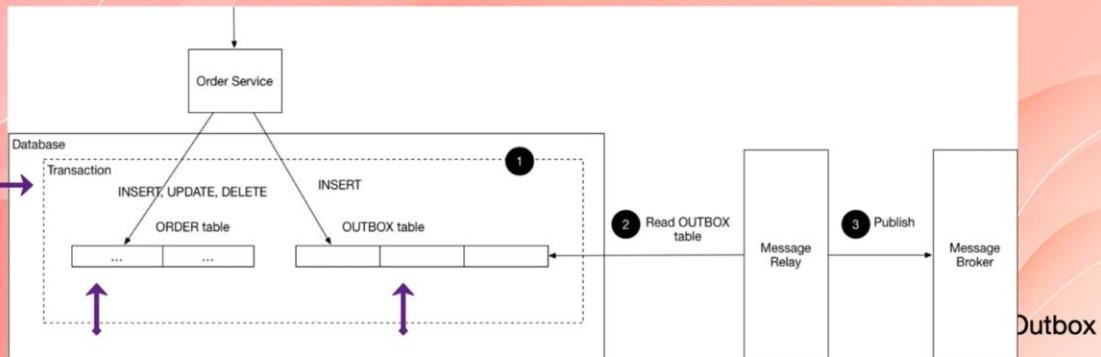
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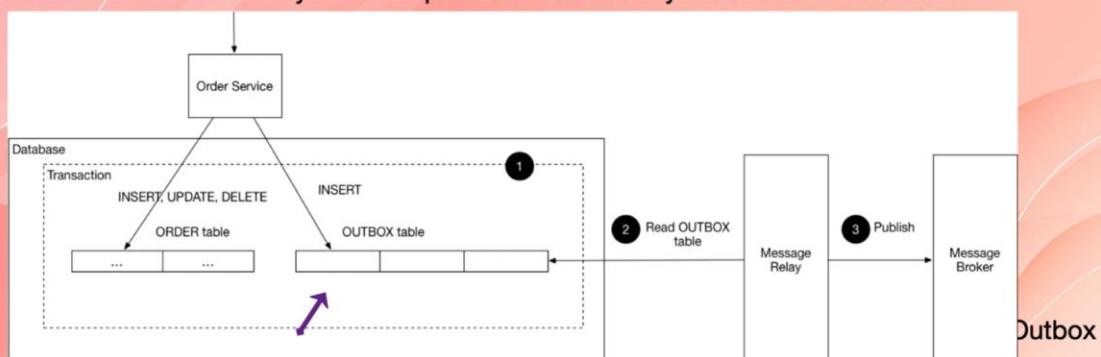
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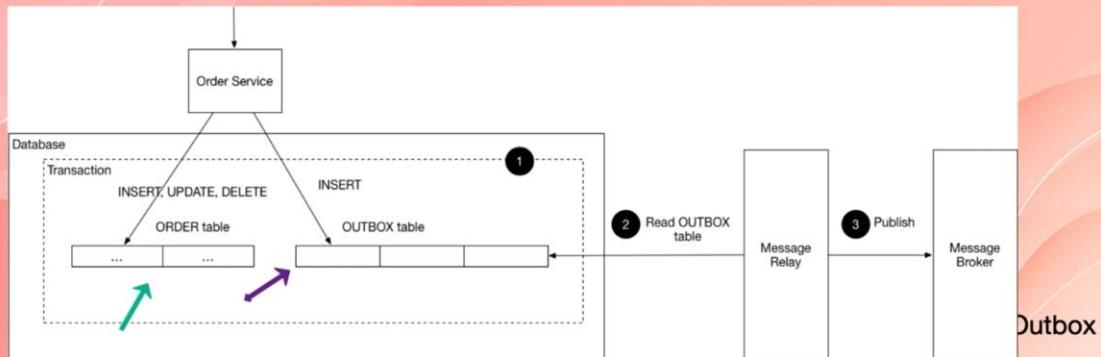
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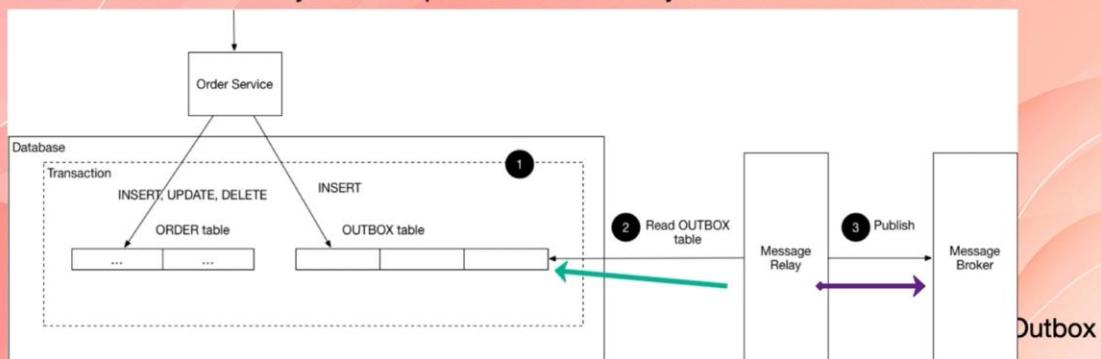
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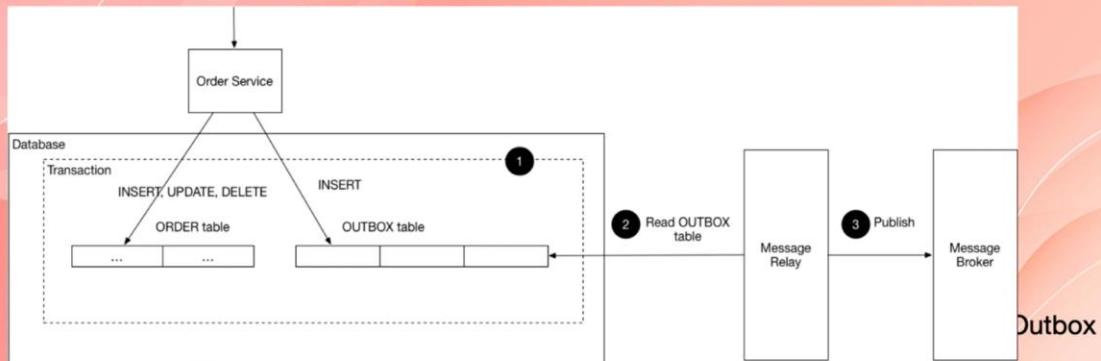
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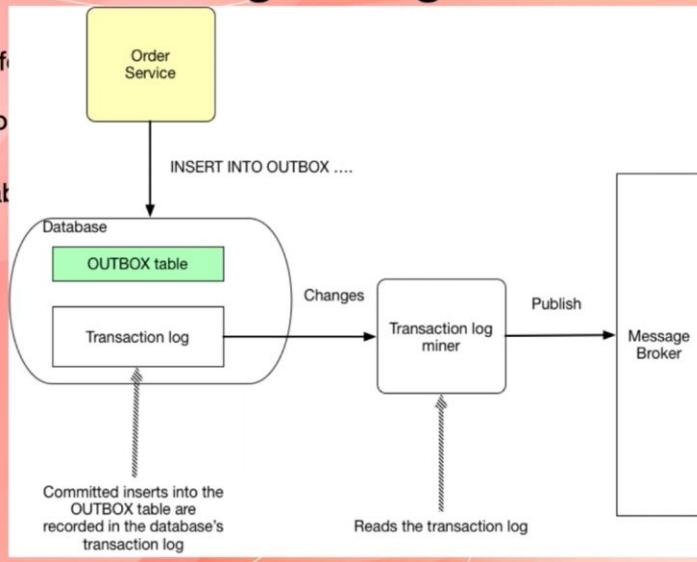


Transactional Log Tailing

- It's a pattern for reading events and messages from Outbox Table.
- Guaranteed to be accurate.
- Requires database-specific solution i.e. specific Sql Server.

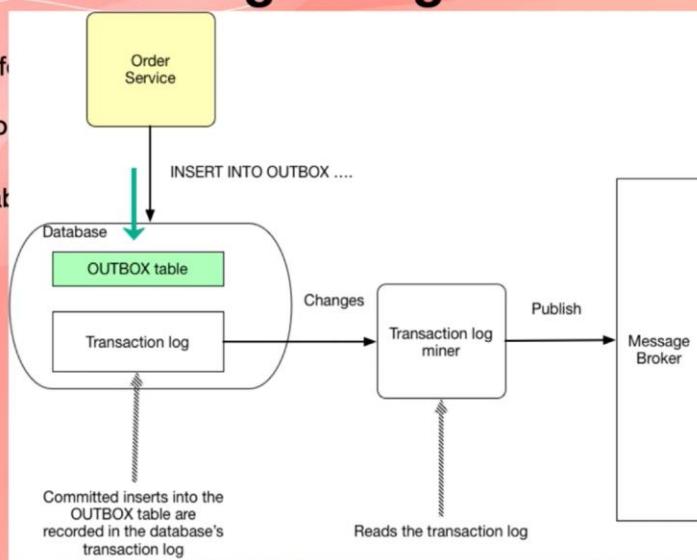
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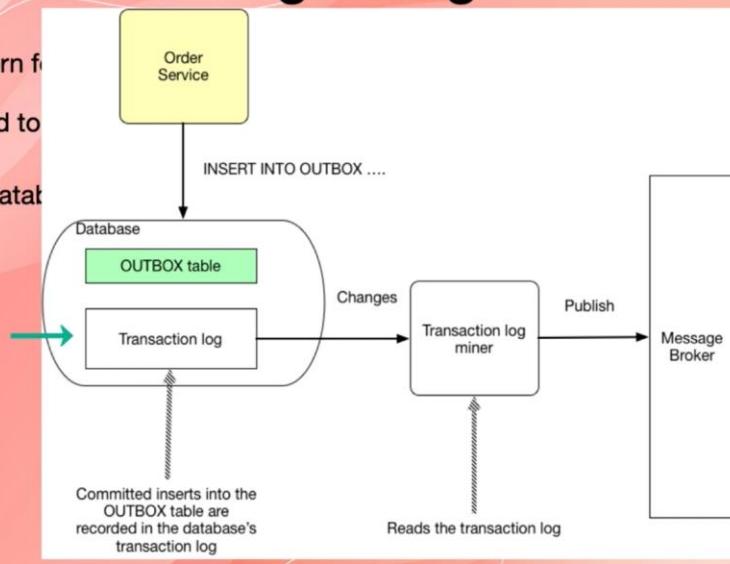
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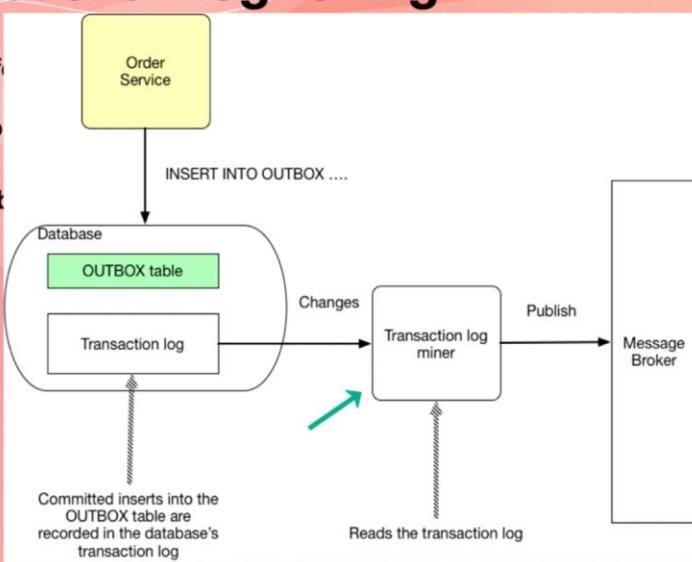
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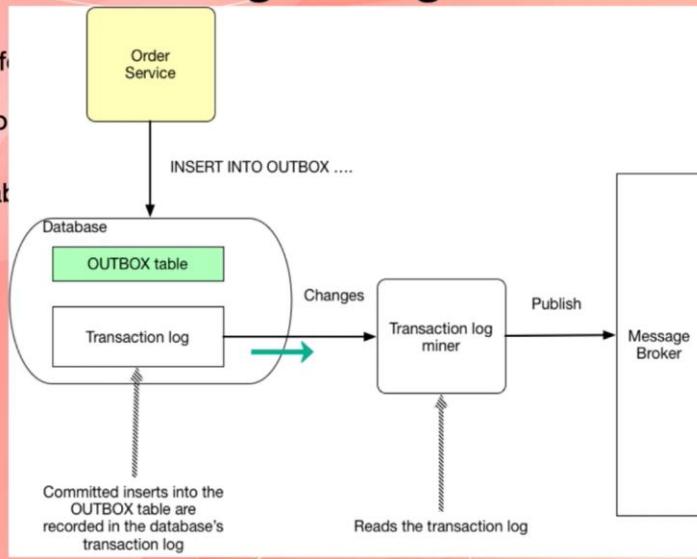
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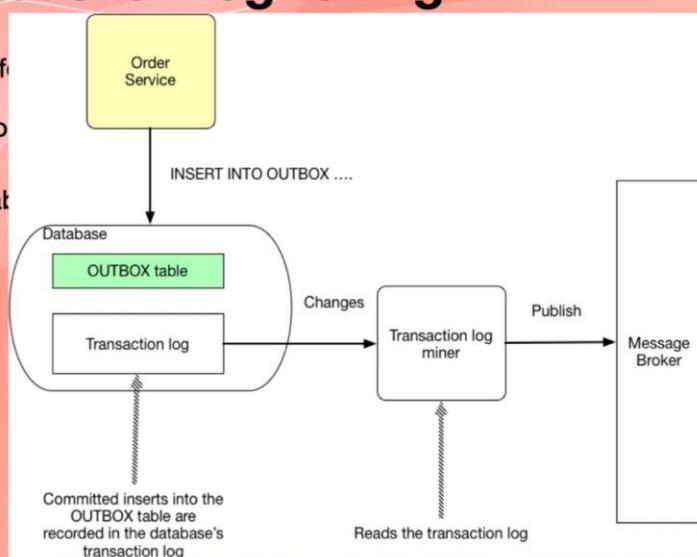
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Polling Publisher Pattern

- It's a pattern for reading events and messages from Outbox Table
- Message Relay Services periodically queries the Outbox Table
- If new records found, Message Relay Service sends them to Message Broker, then deletes the messages from the OutBox Table
- Works with any SQL Database

Great job! You are ready to move on to the next lecture.

You got 12 out of 13 correct.

✓ What you know ⓘ

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Self Assessment - Microservices

Quiz 1 | 13 questions

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Good job!

Question 1:

Is this statement true or false?

The higher the coupling between two micro services, the better.

True. When coupling goes up the two microservices work together better.

False. We aim to reduce the coupling because the coupling is dependent, and dependency makes the expansion and maintenance of software difficult.

Question 1 of 13

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 **Good job!**

Two microservices might use the same data model in a different way. i.e. Customer in the context of Sales has a different use compared to the domain of Customer Service.

Question 2:

Why do two microservices must not share the same database?

- Because data-level coupling is one of the worst types of couplings, we know that a high degree of coupling is not good.
- Because each of those microservices may do a different thing with data.
- Both above options.

Question 2 of 13

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 **Good job!**

Interfaces collect the methods and properties that related to each other in one place. Helper classes may include irrelevant static method hence low cohesion.

Question 3:

What option is an example of high cohesion?

- Global variables in Javascript
- Helper classes in C#
- Interfaces in Java and C#

Question 3 of 13

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 **Good job!**

This architecture is SOA. In Micro Services each service has its own database and is totally independent. SOAP is not a common protocol and instead REST is used. Also the services are more granular.

Question 4:

Is this application based on the microservices architecture?

A system includes the below services:

- 1- Customer
- 2- Orders
- 3- Payments

The application has a SQL Server database. The above three services communicate via calling SOAP APIs.

No.

Yes.

Question 4 of 13

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 **Good job!**

Microservices have a more complex architecture compared to that of monolithic applications. They take longer to develop and test too. If a project is to be done on a low budget and quickly it is better to be done as a monolithic application. The programming language really does not matter. Anything that the developer is comfortable with will work.

This was discussed in Lecture 5: [Benefits and Drawbacks of Monolithic Applications](#) >

Question 5:

Roberto is a freelancer developer. A customer is paying an average amount of money for a small website, and he wants the website to be done quickly. What do you recommend to Roberto?

Build the website with microservices. Then, the customer can extend it later.

Build a monolithic application with ASP.NET Core

Question 5 of 13

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 Good job!

Question 6:

What is Blast Radius?

How the overall system gets impacted by the failure of a microservice

It is a kind of test like TDD. We add code until the blast radius becomes zero

Question 6 of 13

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 Good job!

Question 7:

Where is the code for Circuit Breaker pattern located?

In the client microservice

In the microservice that exposes an API (server)

A proxy microservice that sits between the client microservice and the server microservice.

Question 7 of 13

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 **Good job!**

We need to use a message broker as message brokers allow re-ordering messages, and support the concept of Channels which means different users can receive messages in the same Topic but on a different channel. RabbitMQ is a message broker so it is the best option.

Question 8:

We are developing a Group Chat system for internal employees of a large corporation. In this system, the managers have priority over other employees for receiving the company announcements. What is best to be used for building the server-side application? Rabbit MQ or Apache Kafka?

RabbitMQ

Apache Kafka

Question 8 of 13

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 **Good job!**

As a rule of thumb orchestration is used inside a bounded context. But between bounded contexts choreography is used. This is a rule of thumb and not always true.

Question 9:

What is the best way to implement a business workflow with microservices?

Choreography design pattern

Orchestration pattern

Orchestration within a bounded context, choreography between two bounded contexts

Question 9 of 13

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 **Good job!**

Question 10:

What is a client certificate?

- It is the Base64 format of username: password. This value is sent to the server upon a Restful API call for authentication.
- It is the Private Key of a Public-Private key pair.
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 **Good job!**

SQS is likely to show an item in the queue more than once. The application must handle the duplicate messages, which is Idempotence

This was discussed in Lecture 29: [Explain Idempotence and its usage](#) >

Question 11:

A system is made of several AWS Lambda microservices. These Lambda microservices receive messages via Amazon Simple Queue Service (SQS). What design pattern must they use?

- Sprout Methods
- Idempotence
- Event Sourcing

Question 11 of 13

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Explain Idempotence and its usage

- Idempotence is a concept: produce same output for same input
- It is used to make Microservices more resilient
- Some Microservices are triggered by receiving messages from a message broker i.e. ActiveMQ
- Message brokers may send a message more than once
- Microservices must be programmed to handle duplicate messages
- Handling duplicate messages is called Idempotence
- This is done by
 - Every message must have a unique identifier
 - Microservice stores the message in a local database

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 Good job!

Question 12:

Which option is best for building microservices that send events from the server to Web clients?

Redis

Memcached

Both options

Question 12 of 13

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 **Good job!**

Both patterns are used to query data across microservices

This was discussed in Lecture 47: [Explain Transactional Outbox >](#)

Question 13:

Which two design patterns are similar?

API Composition and CQRS

Transactional Outbox and Data Offloading

SideCar pattern and CDC

Question 13 of 13

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