

# **B**UILDING **E**VOLUTINARY **A**RCHITECTURES



# THE FIGHTERS



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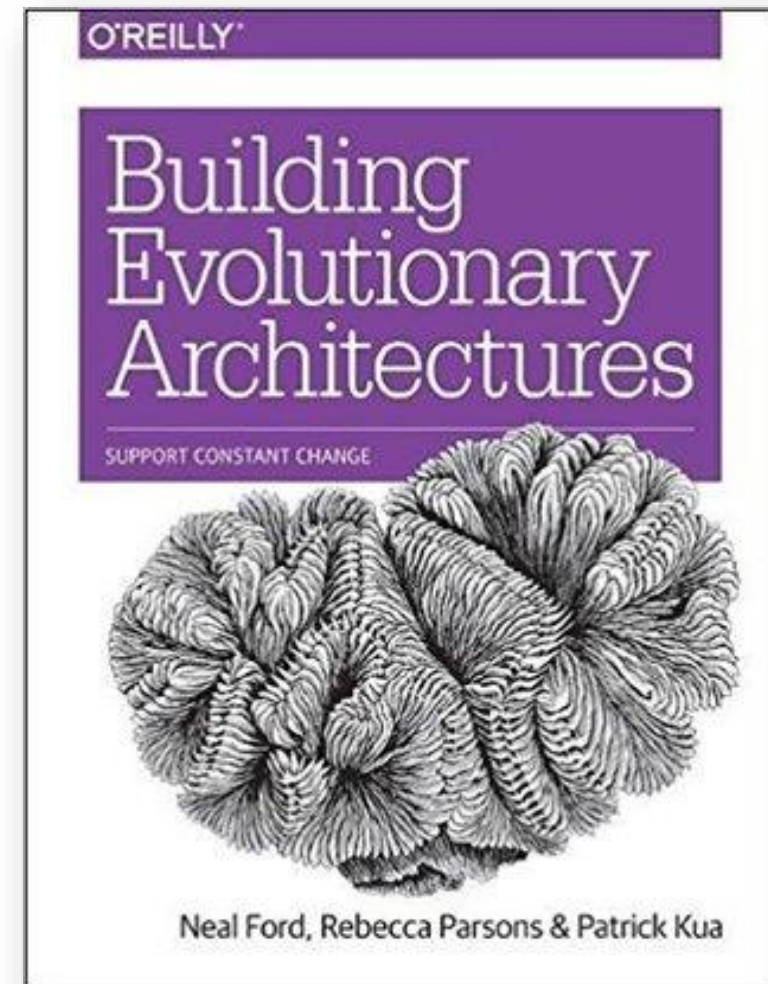


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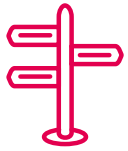


# INSPIRATIONS

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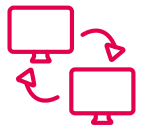
# AGILE & ARCHITECTURE



ENEMIES ? ...



... OR FRIENDS ?



WORKING TOGETHER

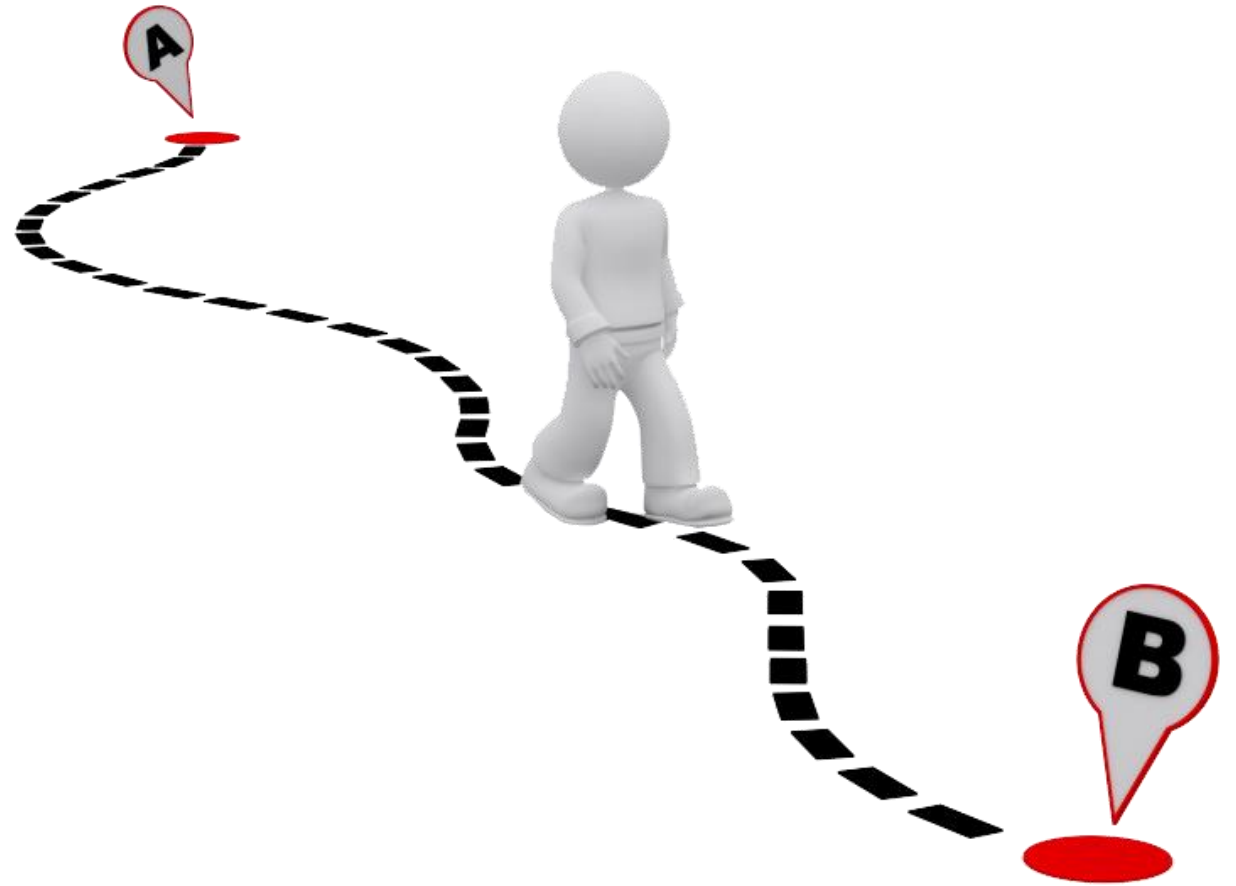


# MISCONCEPTIONS



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# RESPONDING TO CHANGE

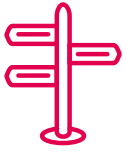


BE RIGHT THE 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME

Is there one thing  
that will never change?



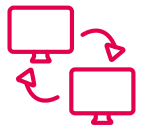
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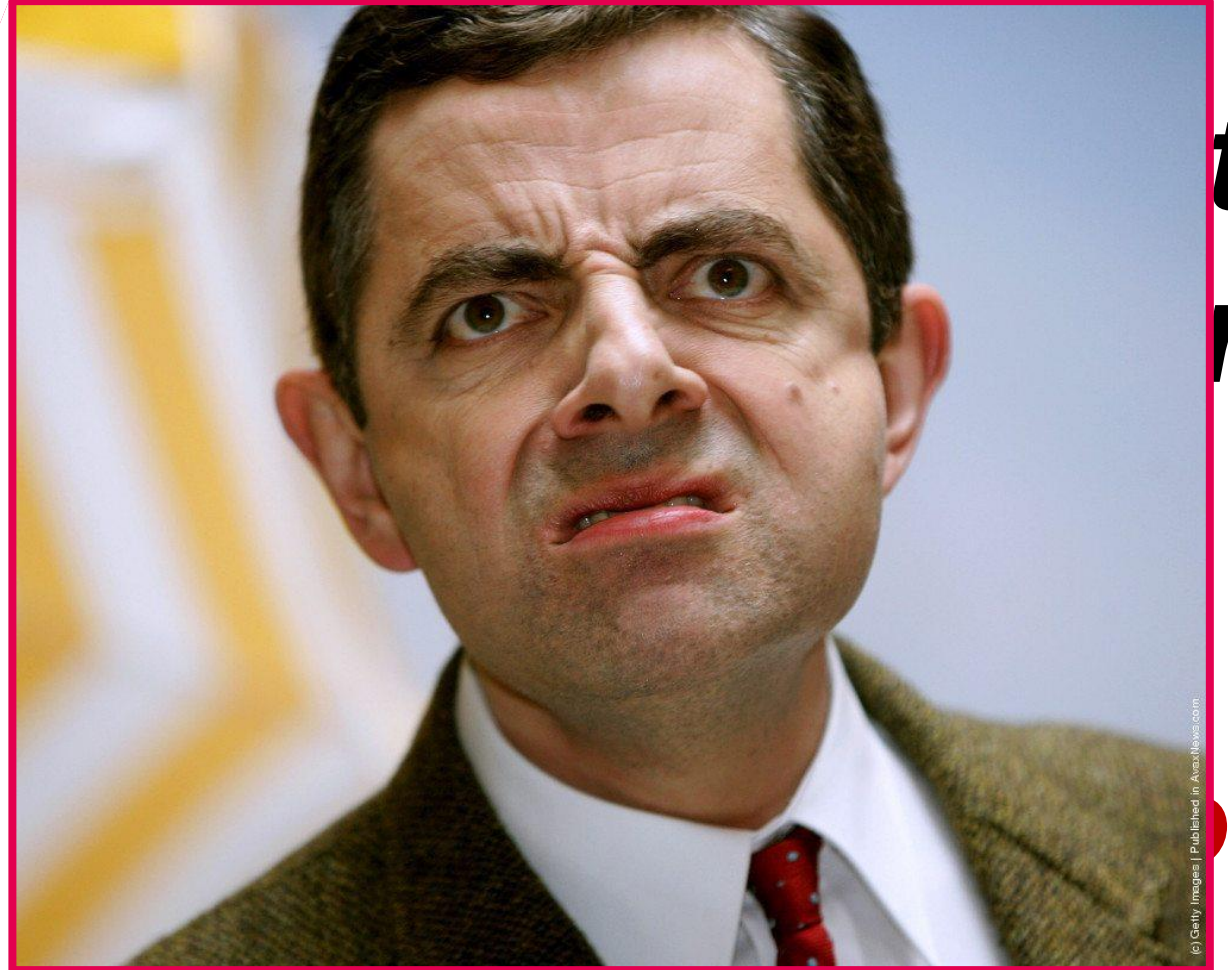
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# SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE IS ...

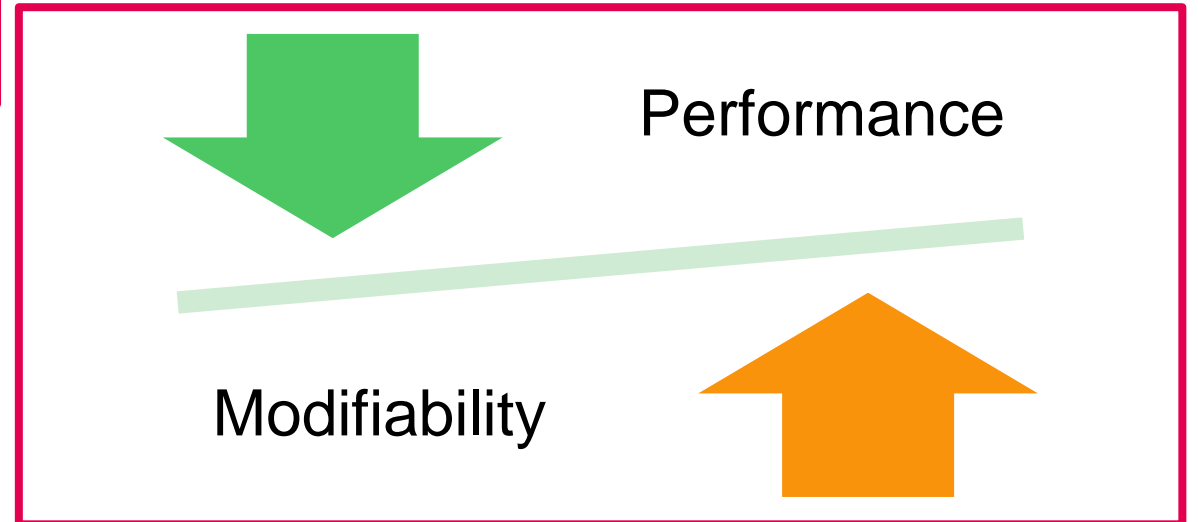
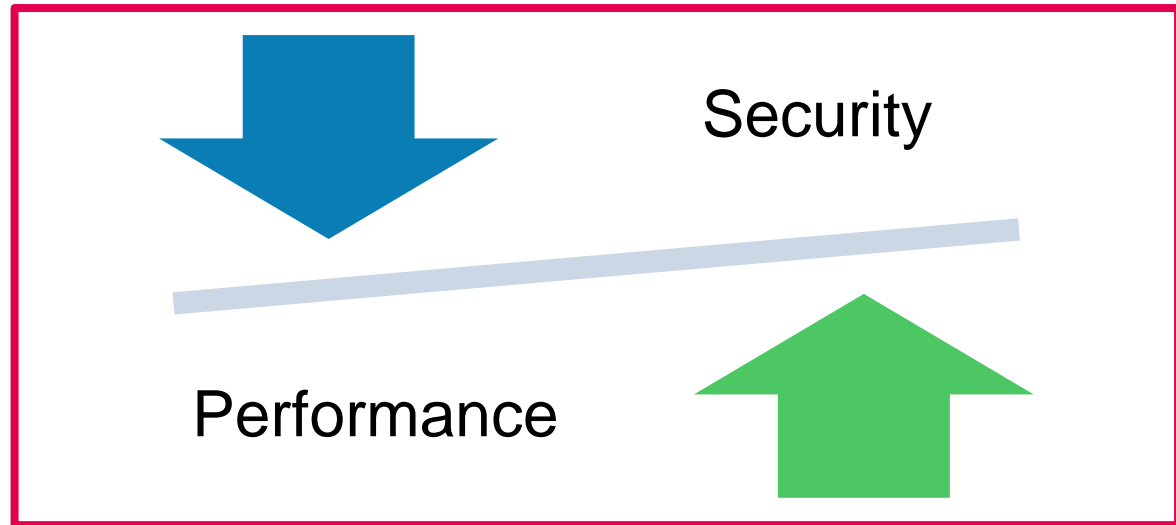


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# WORLD OF '-ILITIES



# DIVERGENT '-ILITIES



WE NEED TO ELICIT



# SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE IS ...

## STAKEHOLDER PRIORITISATION

- ✓ AVAILABILITY
- ✓ SCALABILITY
- ✓ SECURITY
- ✓ PERFORMANCE
- ✓ ...

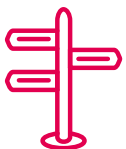


***“The important stuff  
(whatever that is)”***

***Ralph Johnson***

## VITAL QUALITY ATTRIBUTES

- ✓ MODIFIABILITY
- ✓ TESTABILITY
- ✓ FLEXIBILITY
- ✓ MAINTAINABILITY
- ✓ ...



**EVOLVABILITY IS A SHARED KEY INGREDIENT**



# AGILITY IS ...

## MANIFESTO

- ✓ ORGANISATION
- ✓ COLLABORATION
- ✓ PLANNING
- ✓ SOFTWARE

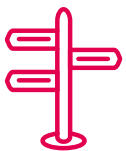


***“The ability to move quickly and easily”***

***Oxford Dictionary***

## XP DESIGN

- ✓ MAINTAINABILITY
- ✓ TESTABILITY
- ✓ SIMPLICITY



**SOFTWARE EVOLVABILITY IS AT THE HEART OF AGILITY**

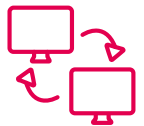
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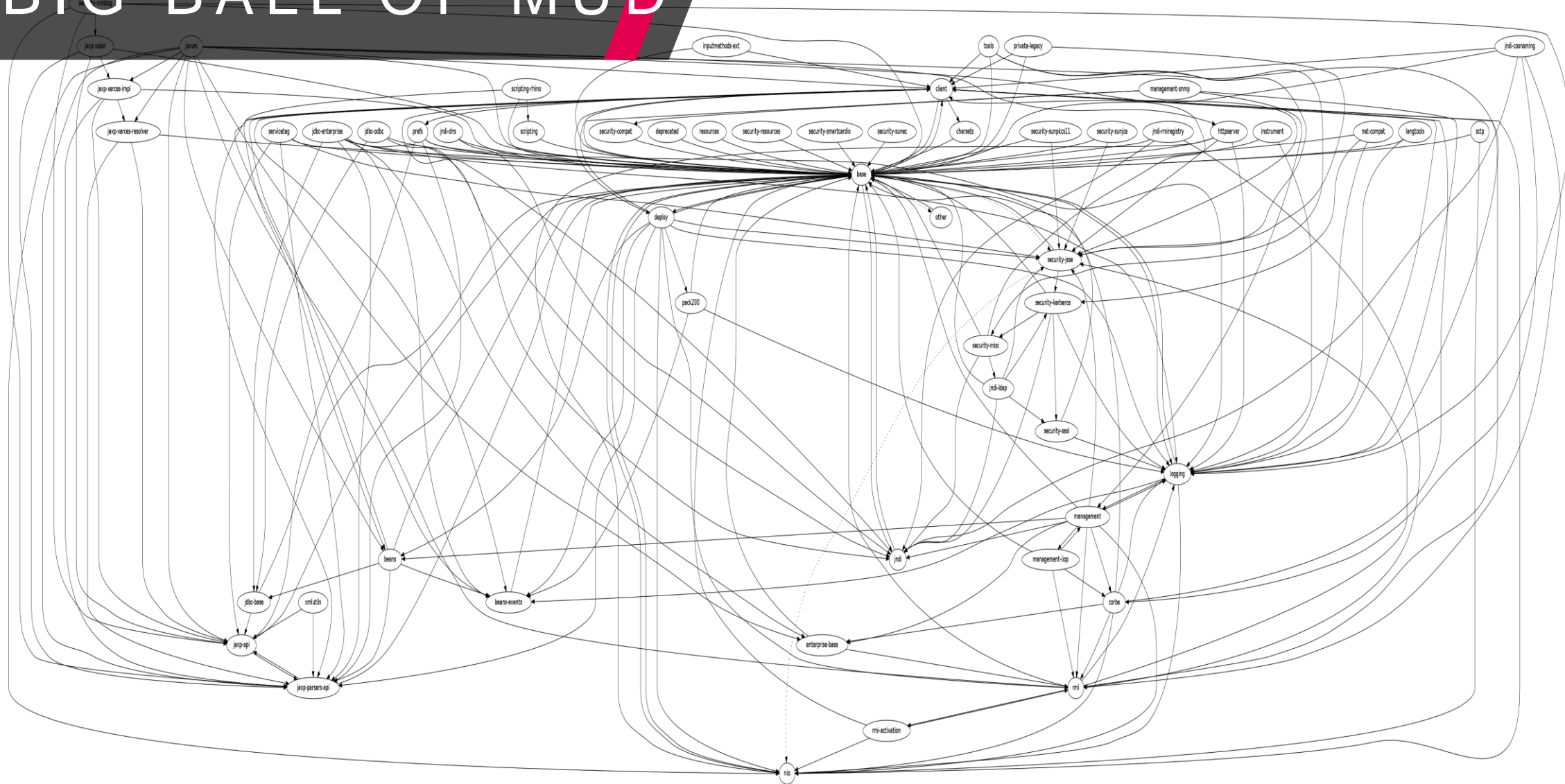
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# NOT AGILE ARCHITECTURES





# BIG BALL OF MUD

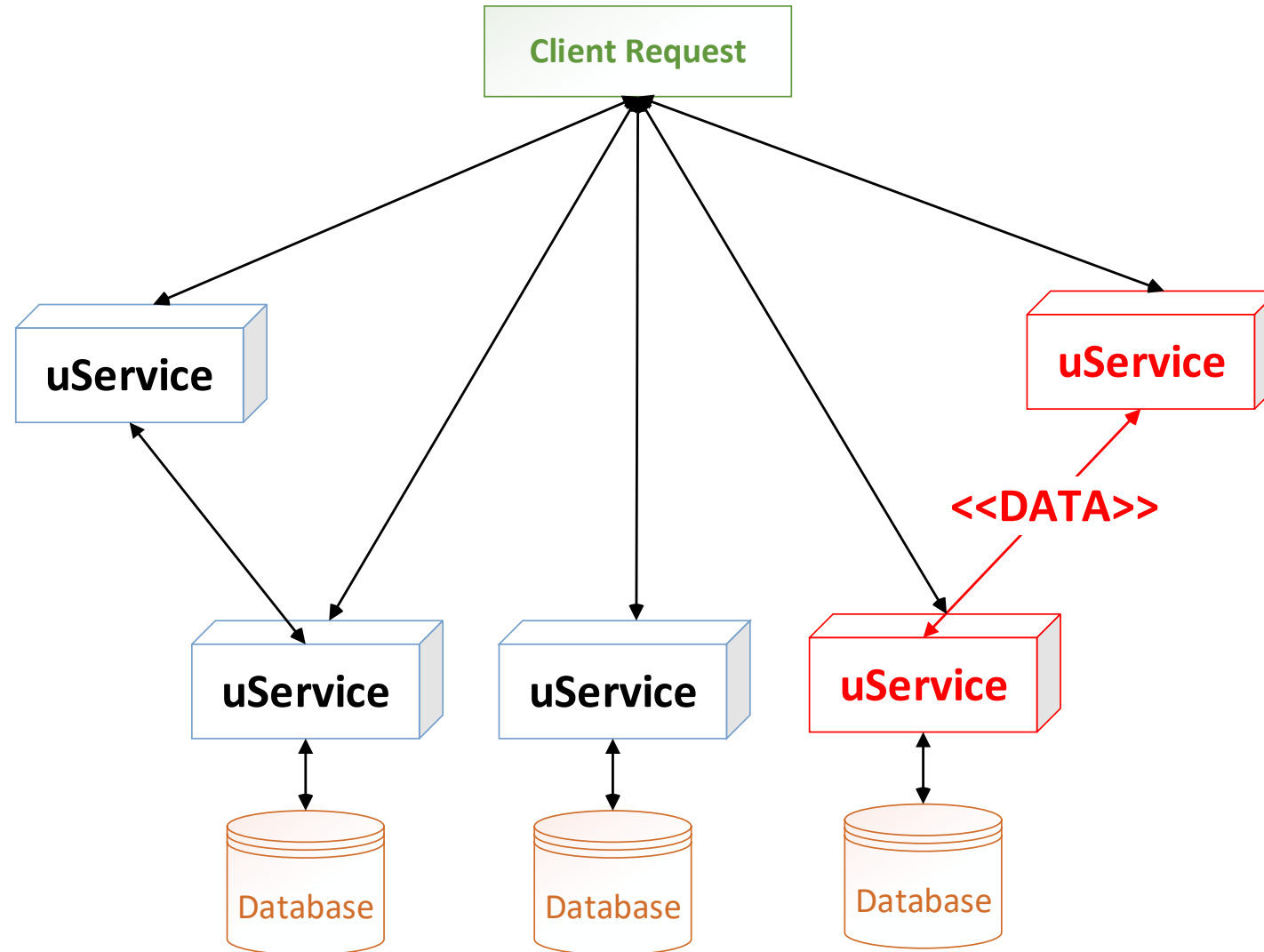


Module graph for JDK 7 b65 rt.jar, mid 2009

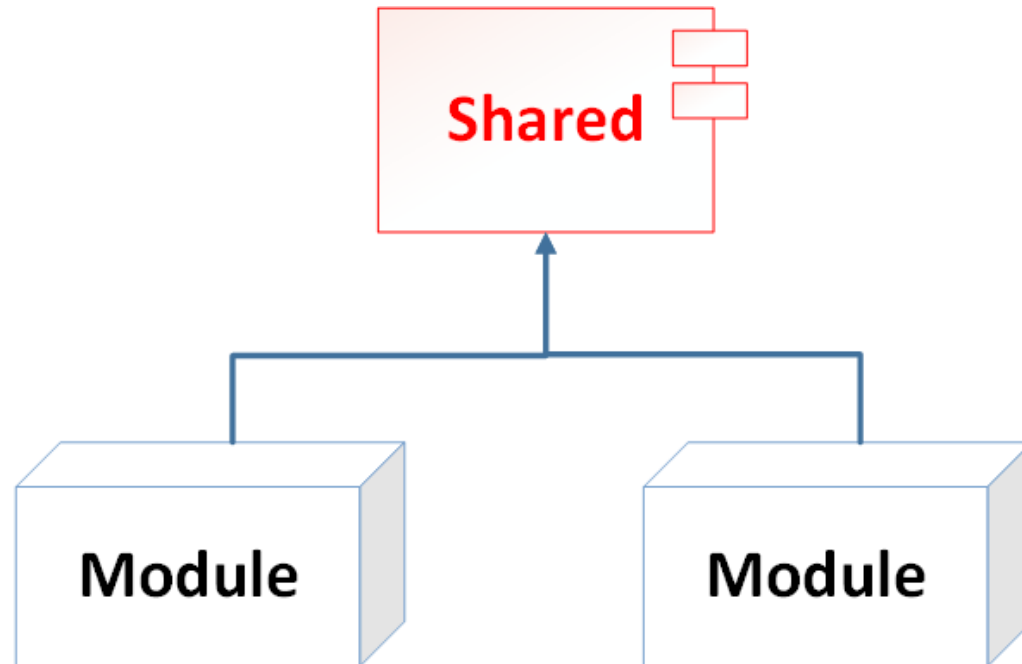




# DATA DEPENDENCY FLOWS

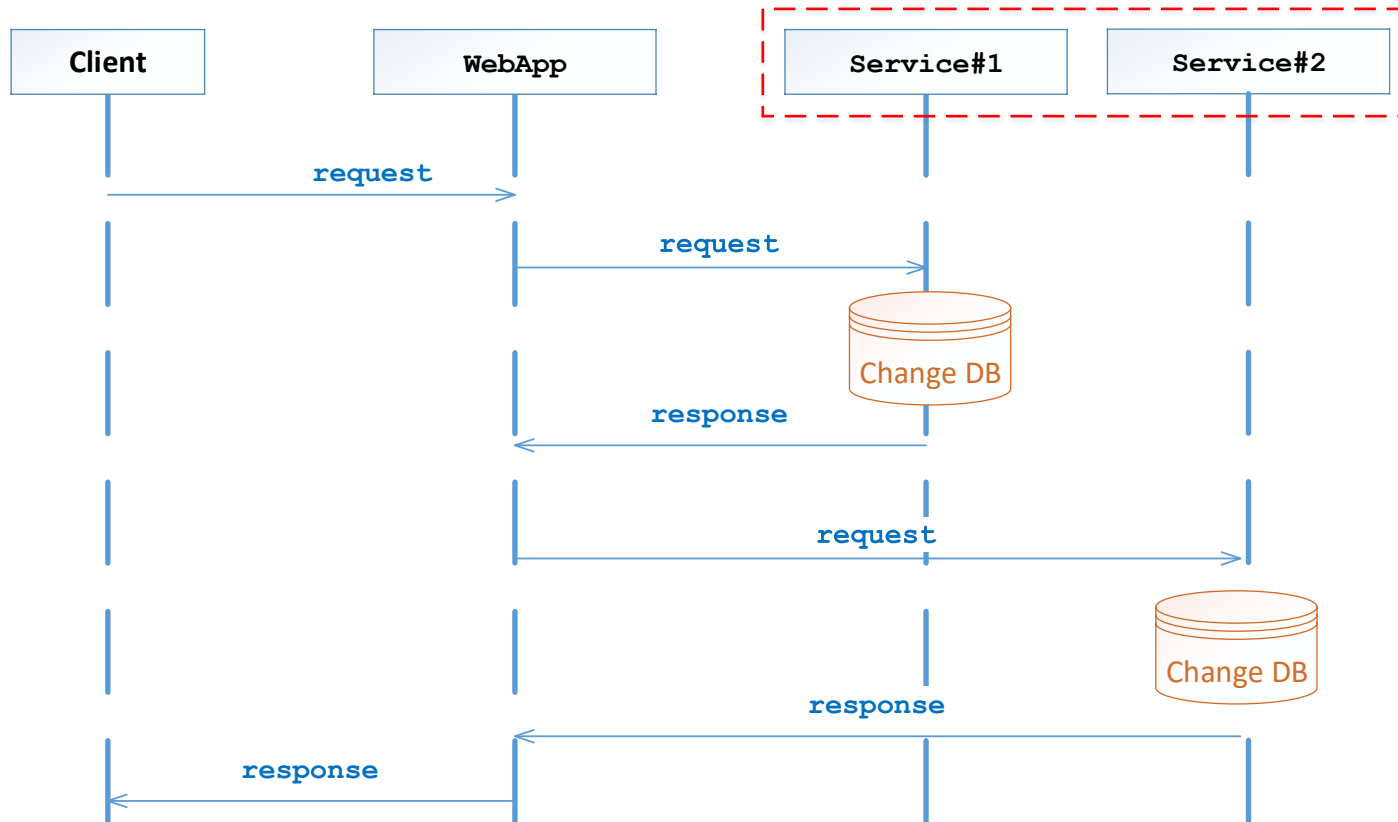


# SHARED PACKAGES



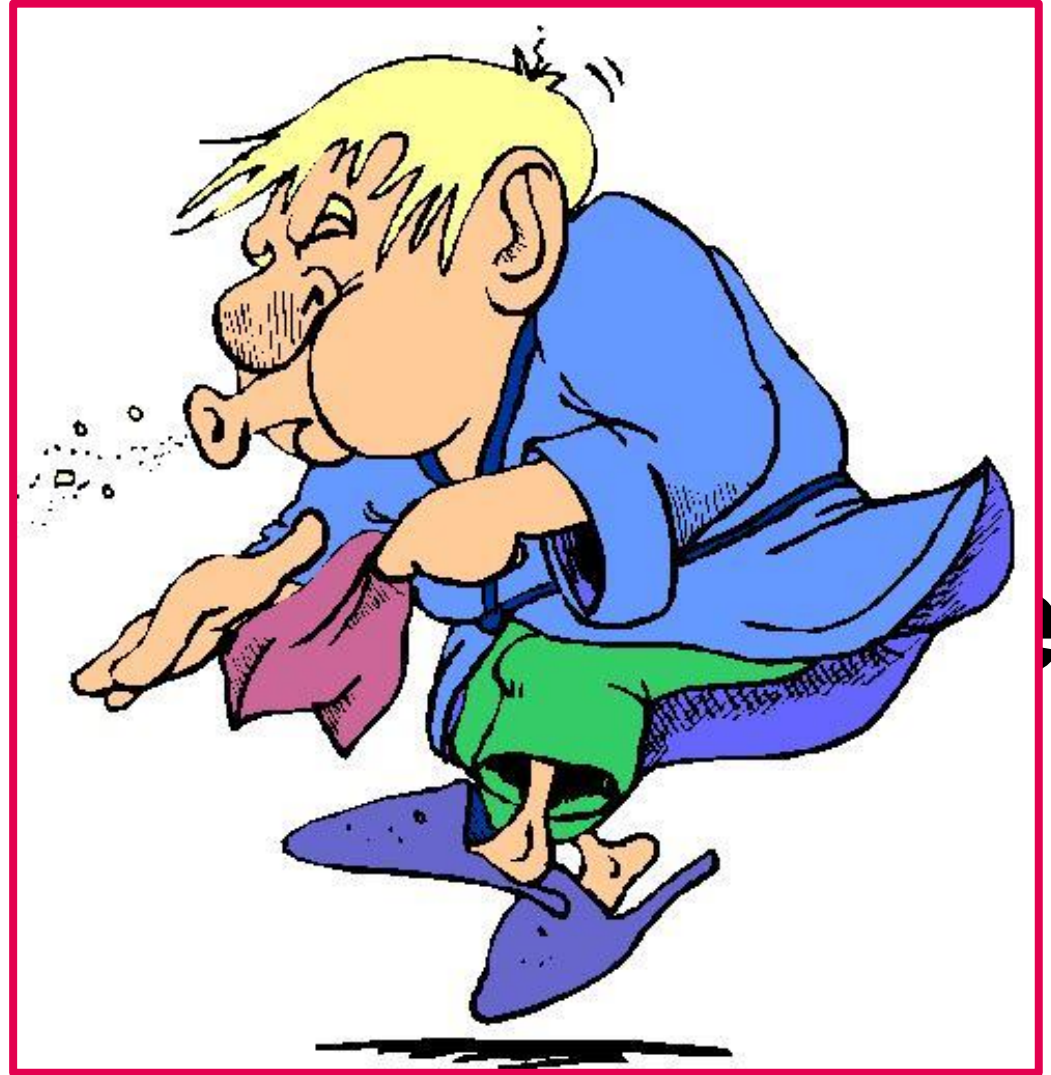
INCREASE COMPONENTS COUPLING

# DISTRIBUTED TRANSACTIONS



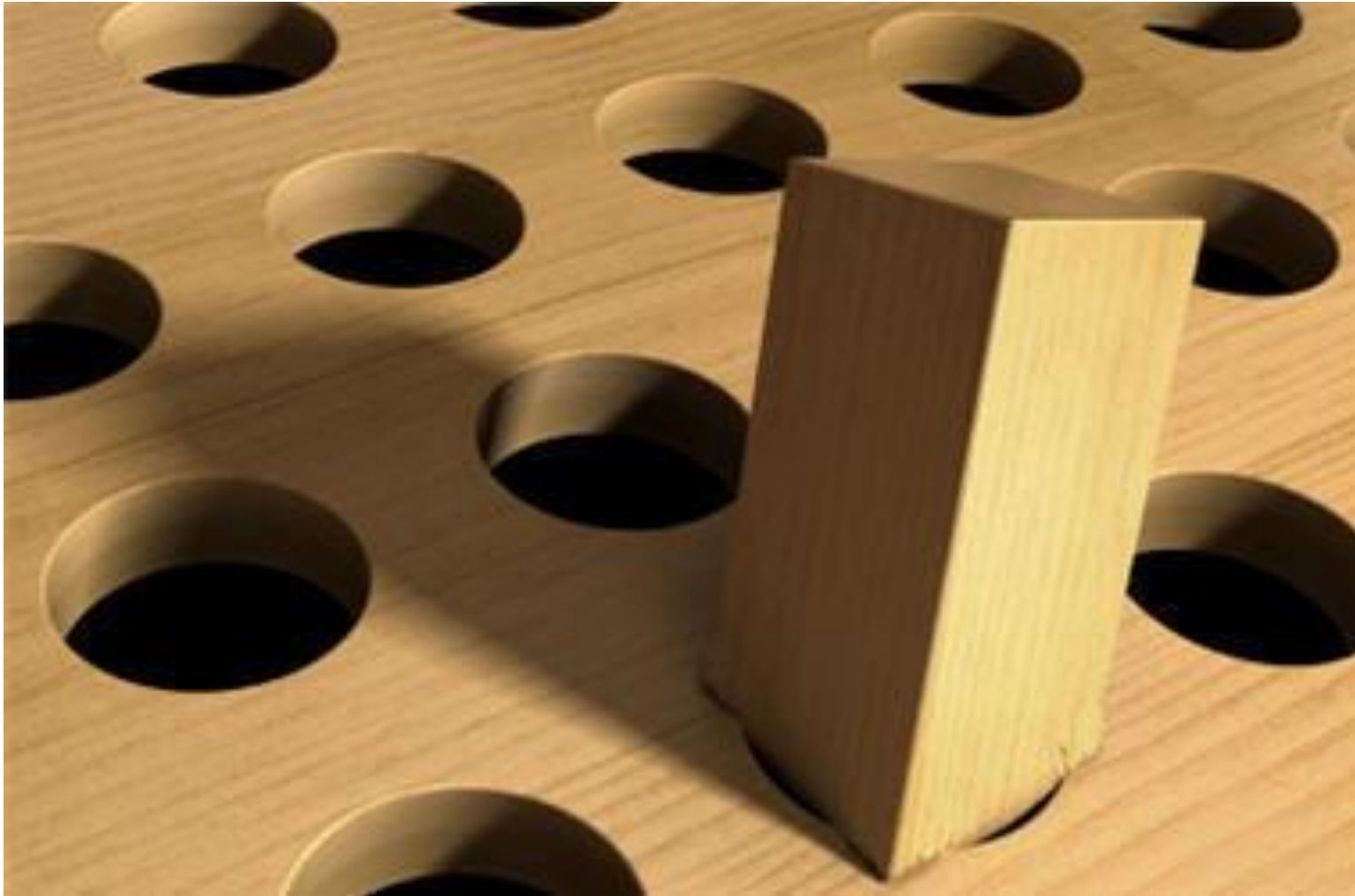
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# SYMPTOMS



es

# DIFFICULT TO INCORPORATE CHANGES





# SLOW RELEASE CYCLES




DIFFICULT TO CARRY OUT





# SUCCESSFUL RECIPE

## WHAT ARE THE INGREDIENTS FOR ACHIEVING AGILE ARCHITECTURES ?



Design Principles  
Architectural Styles  
Guidelines

# DESIGN PRINCIPLES

## KEEP IN MIND DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Do not sacrifice **loose-coupling** for performance

Prefer **composition** over inheritance

Design **messages atomic** and **services stateless**

Design remote interfaces **coarse-grained**

**High cohesion** inside modules, components

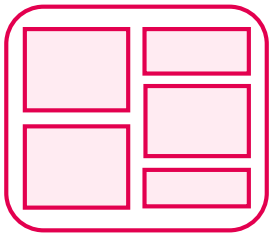
**SOLID**

**DRY**

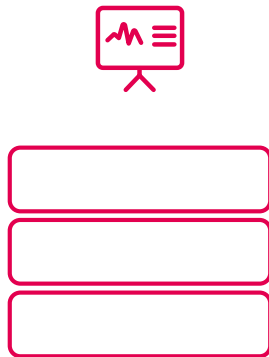
**YAGNI**

# ARCHITECTURAL STYLES

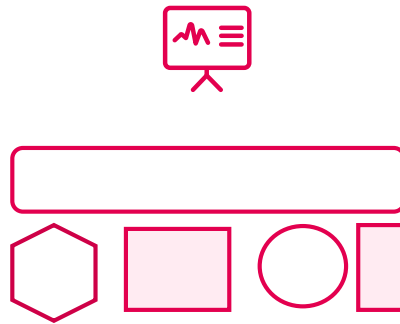
## MONOLITH



## LAYERED



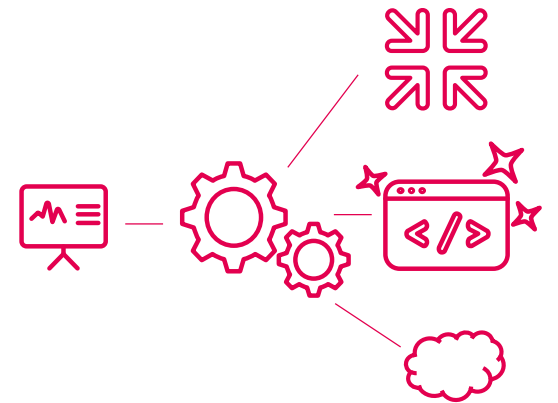
## SOA



## uSERVICES



## SERVERLESS





# COMPONENT BOUNDARIES

COMPONENT

communication mechanisms with external

messages exchanged

type  
format

dependencies

depends on  
used by

coarse-grained API

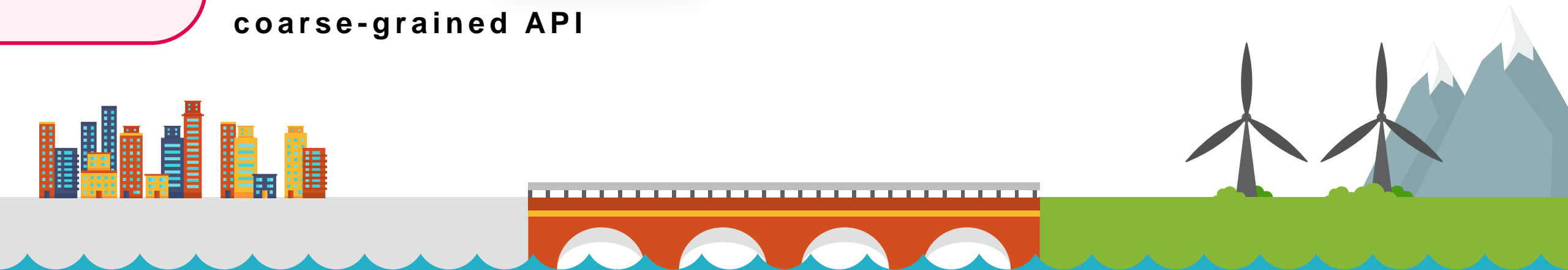
protocols

synchronisation type

- synchronous
- asynchronous

transmission way

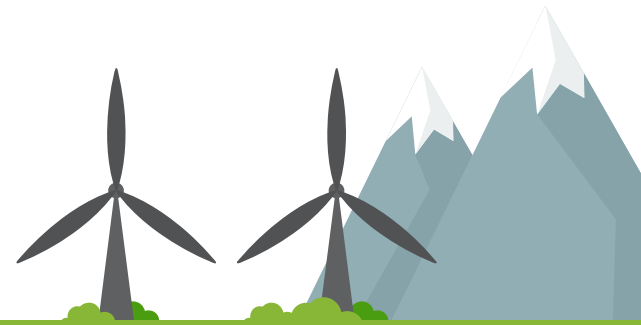
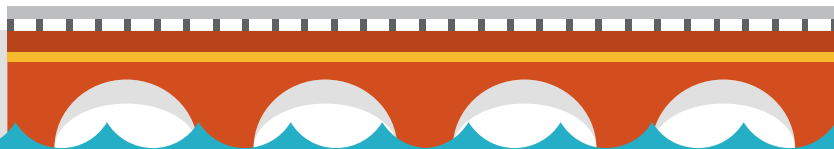
- one way
- bi-directional



# COMPONENT INTERNALS

COMPONENT

**HIGH COHESION**  
**LOOSE COUPLING**  
**ENCAPSULATION**  
**SOLID**  
**DRY**  
**YAGNI**



# OTHER PERSPECTIVES

## MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES

Time awareness  
Threading model  
Scheduling strategies  
Resource limits /  
saturation

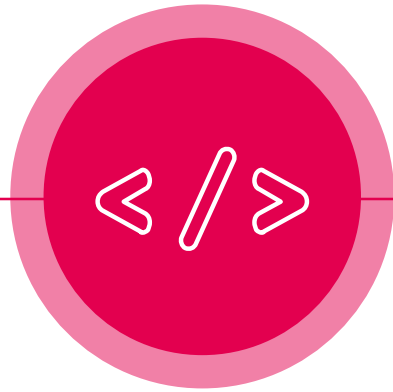
## OBJECT AND DATA MODEL

Data models  
Data entities access levels  
Criteria for data retention /  
preservation

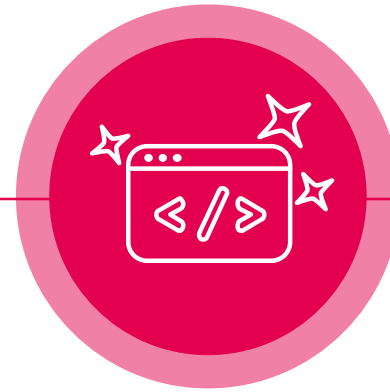
## BINDING TIME DECISIONS

Compile time  
Build time  
Load time  
Run time

# PAY ATTENTION



PROGRAMMING  
LANGUAGES

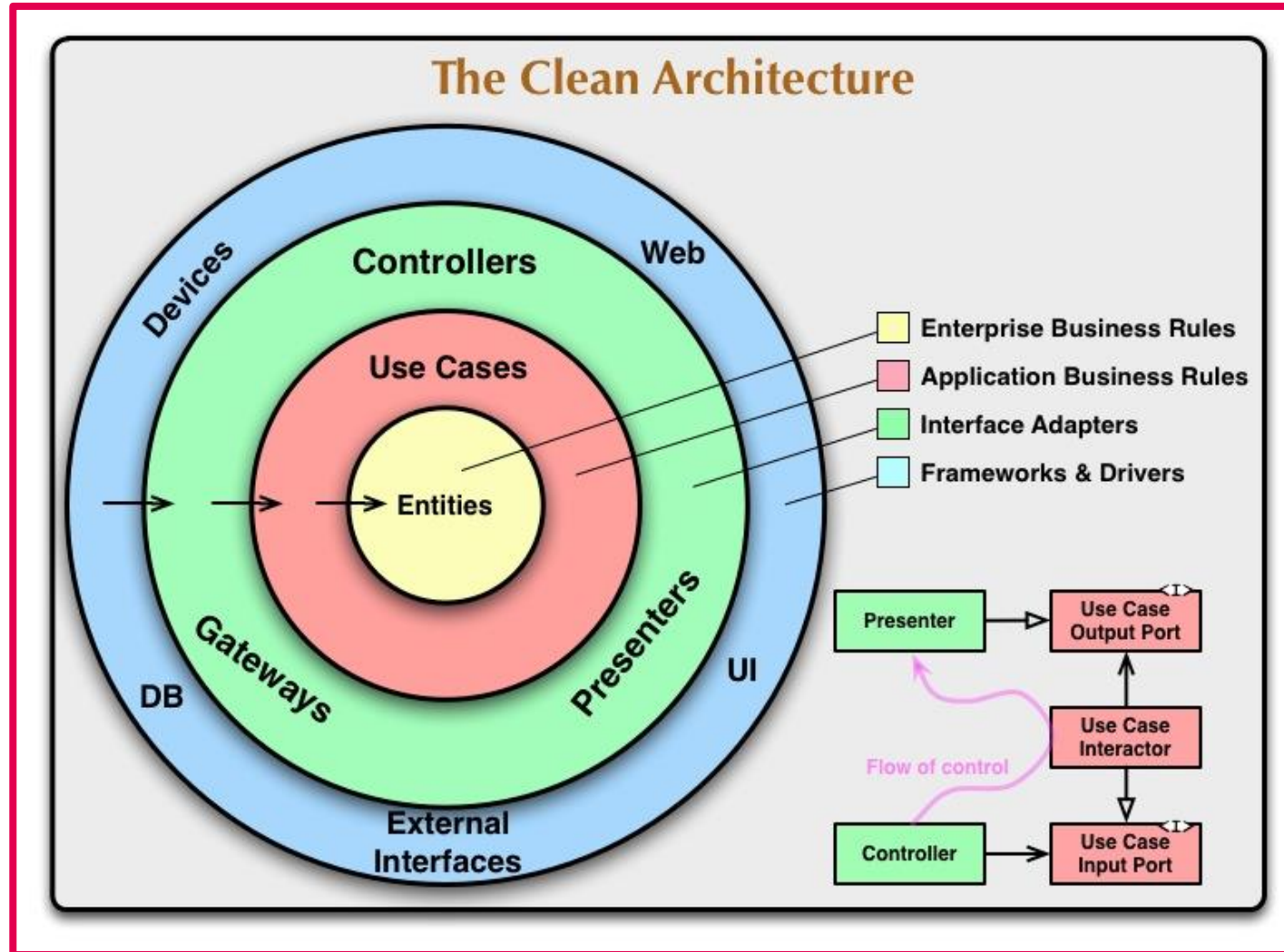


FRAMEWORKS

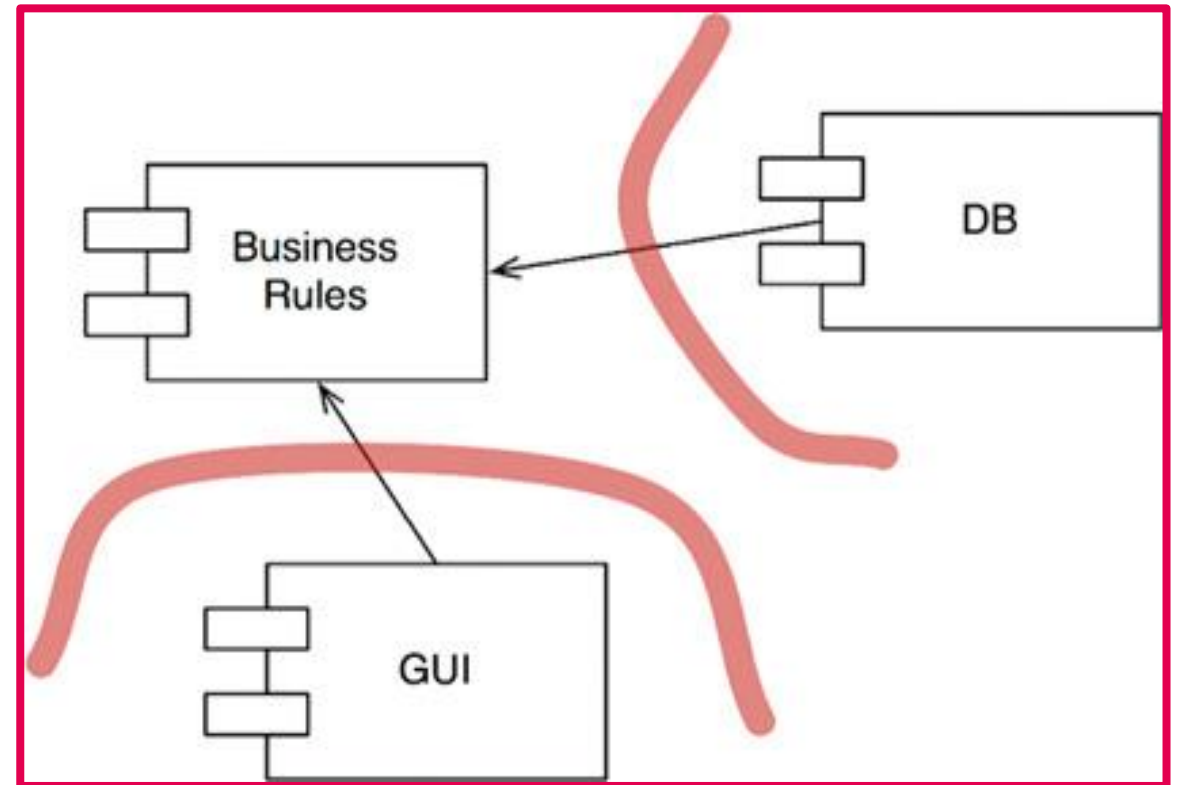
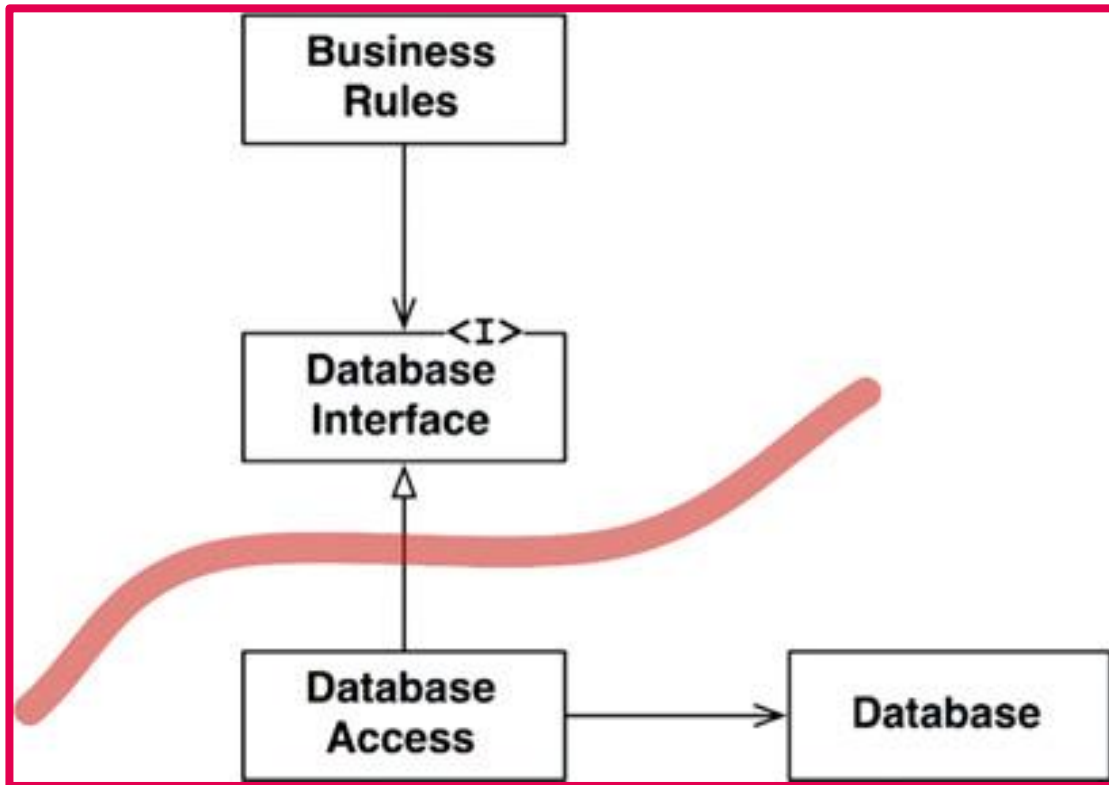


**THESE MIGHT BECOME IREVERSIBLE DECISIONS**

# THE DEPENDENCY RULE

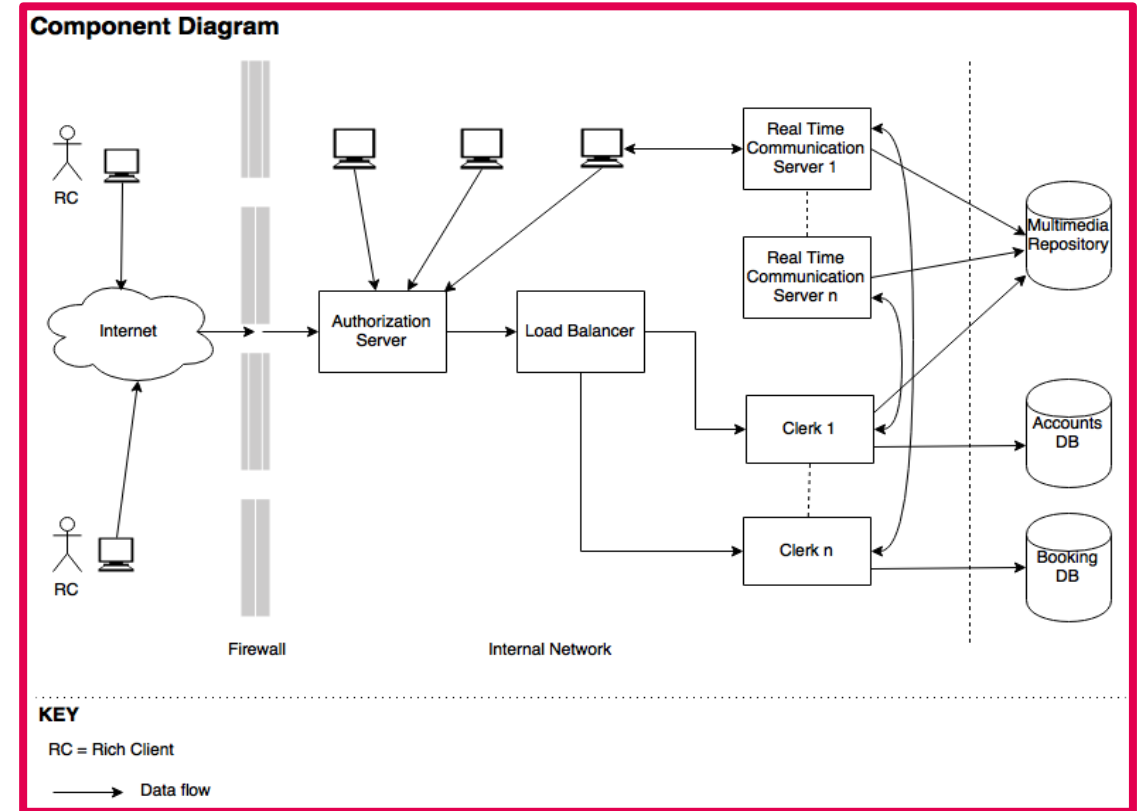
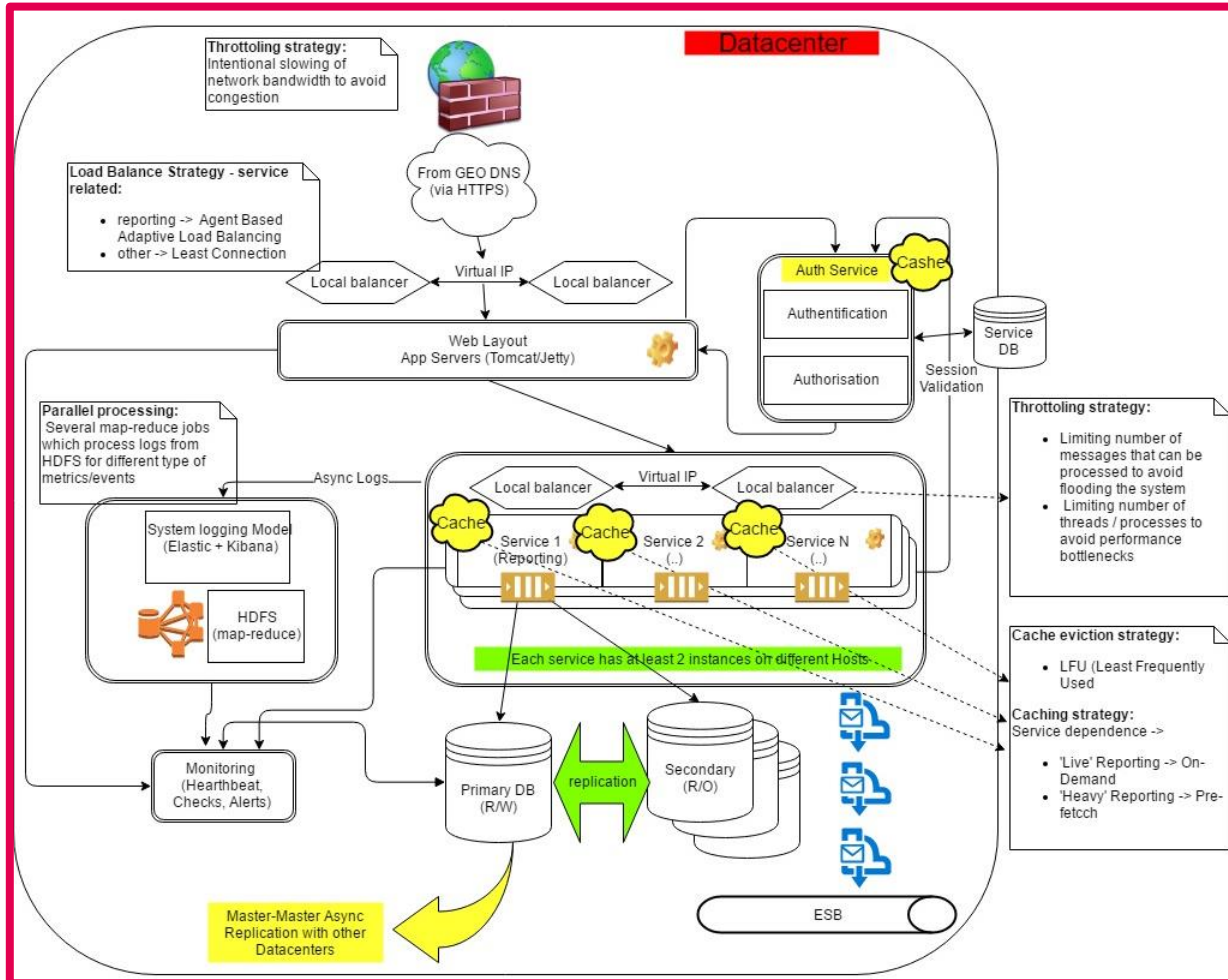


# PROPER SERVICES DEPENDENCIES





# WHICH ONE IS AN AGILE ARCHITECTURE ?



GOOD ARCHITECTURES ENABLES  
AGILITY



# AGILITY ENABLES ARCHITECTURE DESIGN



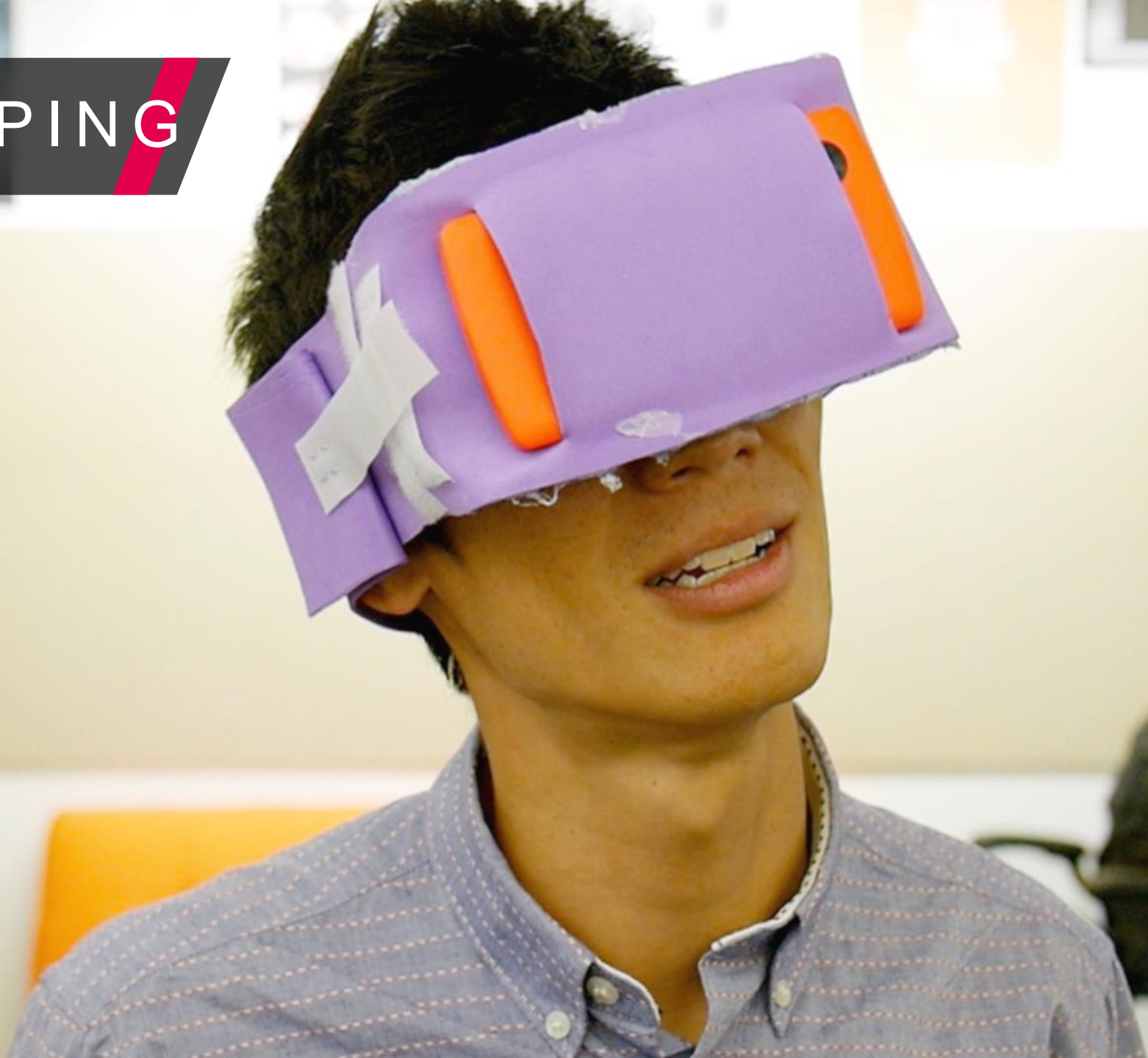


# ESSENTIALS FOR THE TRIP



What's the best way to pack?  
How much luggage is too much?  
What are the essentials for the trip?

PROTOTYPING





A close-up, low-angle shot of a blue rope net, likely for climbing. The ropes are thick and blue, with silver-colored metal connectors at the intersections. The net is stretched out, creating a grid-like pattern that recedes into the background.

SAFE TO FAIL

- ✓ Fitness Functions
- ✓ Feature Toggles
- ✓ Green / Blue Deployments



# CONTINUOUS DEPLOYMENT





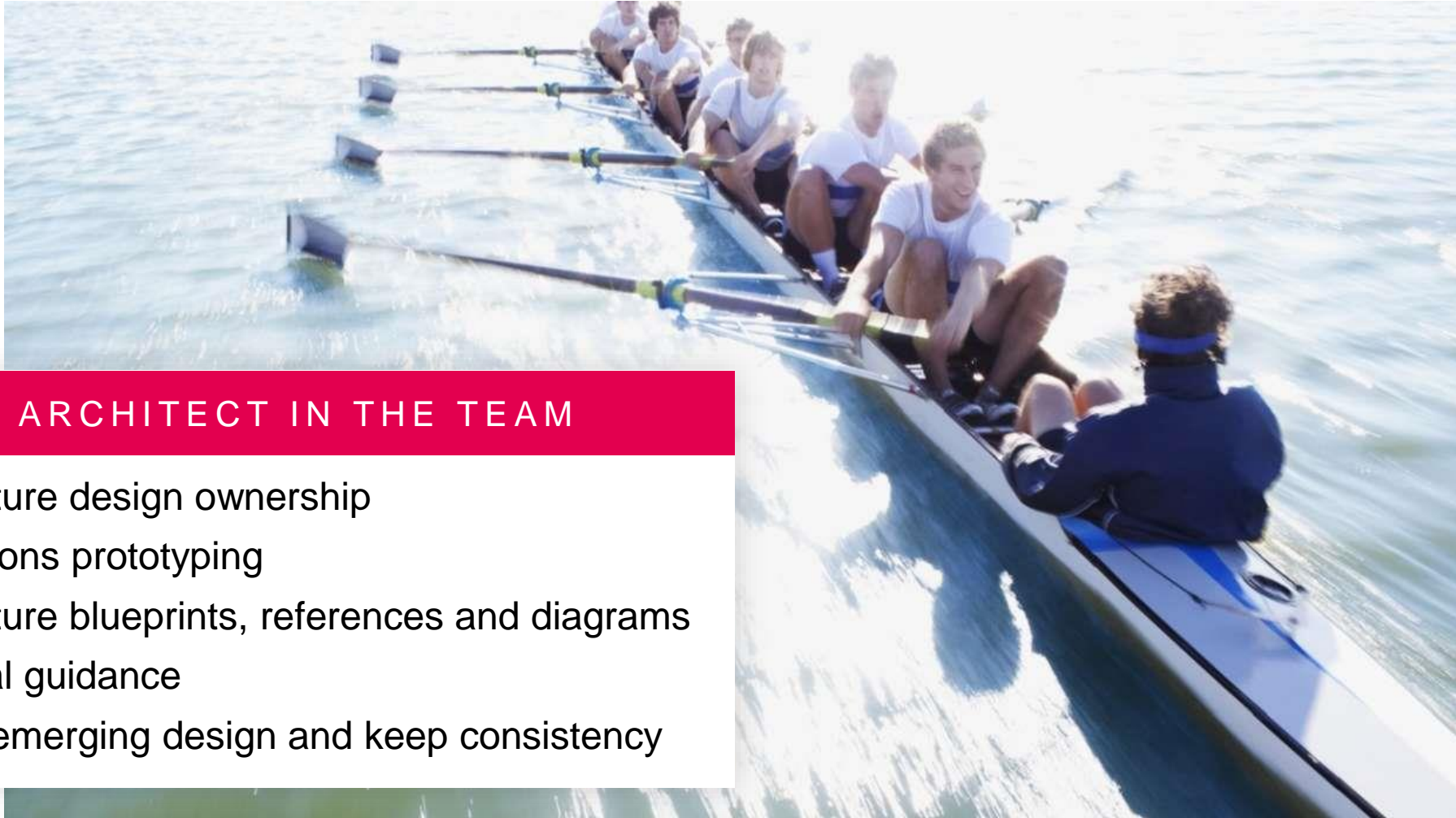
# ASTRONAUT ARCHITECT

A full-page background image featuring an astronaut in a white spacesuit lying on their back on the dark, cratered surface of the moon. The astronaut's helmet is open, revealing a yellow and white architectural model of a building. In the upper right corner, the Earth is visible as a blue and white sphere against the blackness of space. Two red speech bubble callouts are overlaid on the image: one near the astronaut's helmet and another near the Earth.

Your Architect

You are here!

# ALIGNMENT & AUTONOMY



## THE ARCHITECT IN THE TEAM

- ✓ Architecture design ownership
- ✓ Applications prototyping
- ✓ Architecture blueprints, references and diagrams
- ✓ Technical guidance
- ✓ Review emerging design and keep consistency



# BLENDING AGILE AND ARCHITECTURE





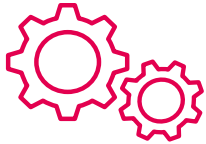
# REAL CHALLENGES



**ARCHITECTURE** ~ INTERNAL QUALITY → no visible external value added for Customer



Backlog is mainly driven by “Customer value” → architectural activities are not given enough attention

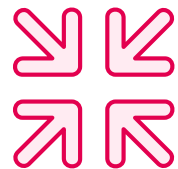


You, as **ARCHITECT**, ensure to make this valuable !

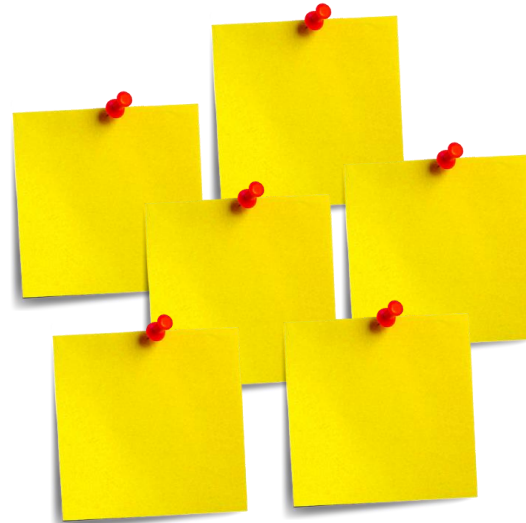
# BACKLOG INGREDIENTS



**Functionality**



**Constraints**  
**Life Cycle Requirements**



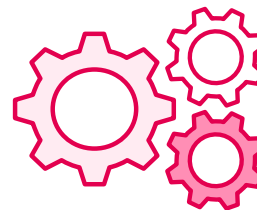
**BACKLOG**



**Ideas**



**Evaluation Feedback**  
**Technical Debt**



**Architecturally Significant Requirements**

# QUOTA RULE

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FUNCTIONALITY

30

ARCHITECTURAL +  
OTHER TECHNICAL



WORKING TOGETHER BY MUTUAL AGREEMENTS 😊

# THANK YOU!

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