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## **MICRO-SERVICE ARCHITECTURE**

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*The Anti-Pattern of the Future?*

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# MICRO-SERVICES

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**WTF?**

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**but first...**



# Ball of Mud

*“expediency **over** design”*

*– Brian Foot & Joseph Yoder*



# Ball of Mud









**Modena**  
MOTORSPORT



Know Your Brain, Transform Your Performance

# Your Brain at Work

STRATEGIES FOR OVERCOMING  
DISTRACTION, REGAINING FOCUS, &  
WORKING SMARTER ALL DAY LONG

## David Rock

Foreword by Daniel J. Siegel, M.D.

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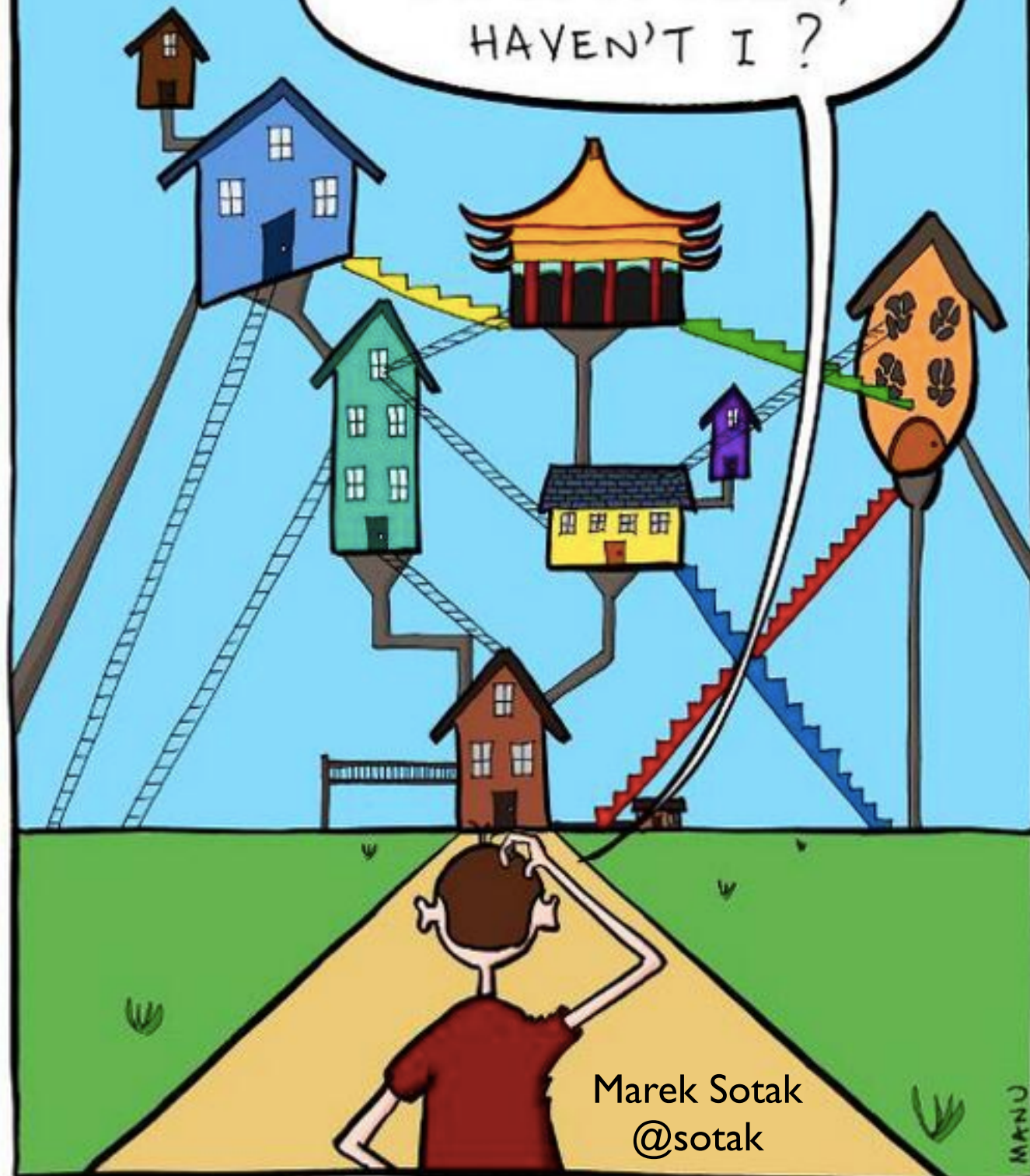
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MUCH LATER...

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Marek Sotak  
@sotak

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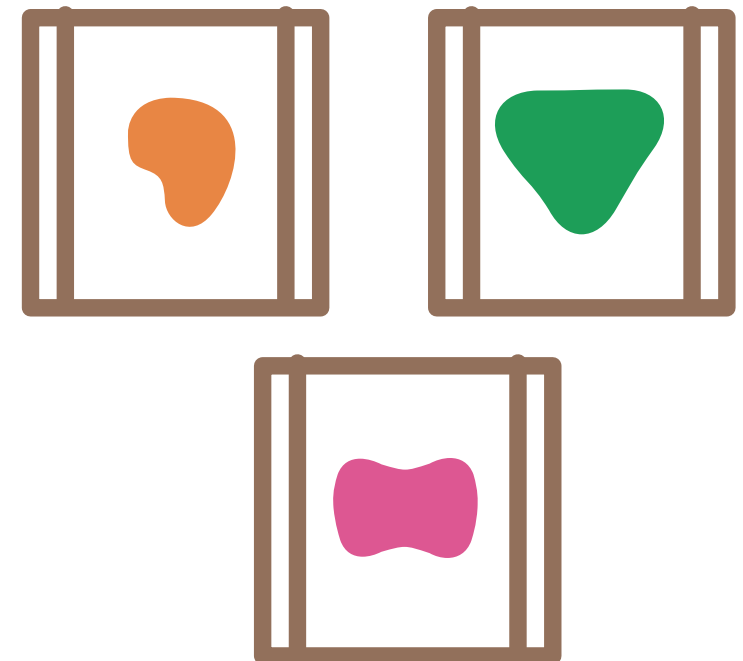
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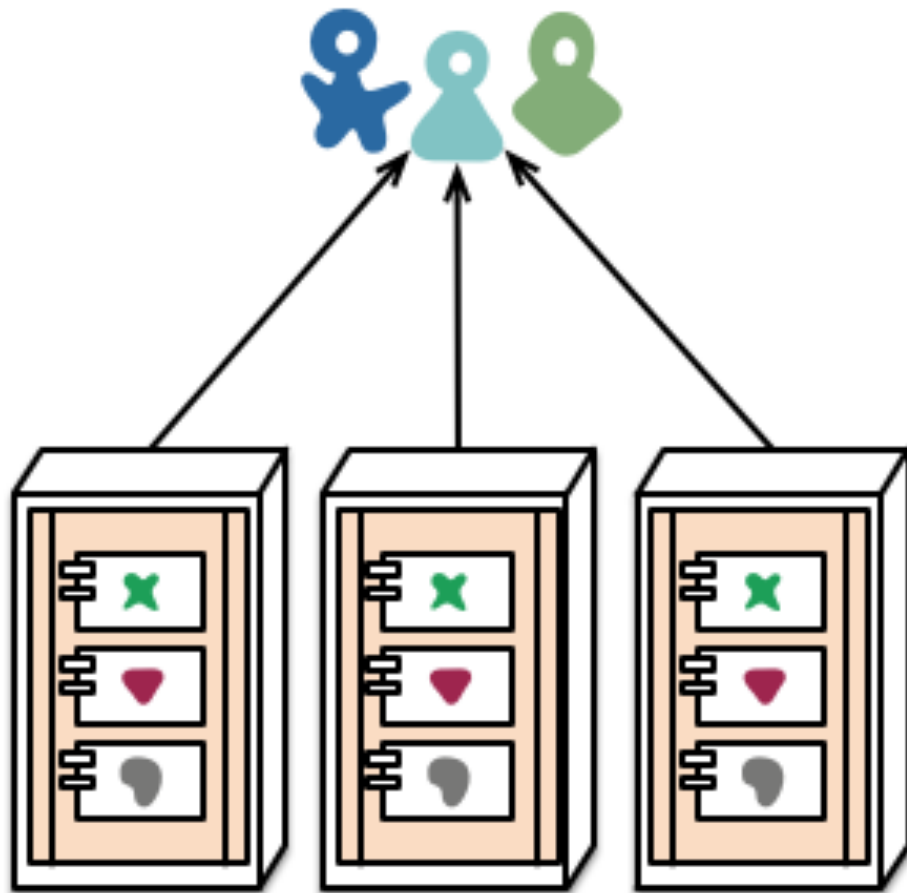
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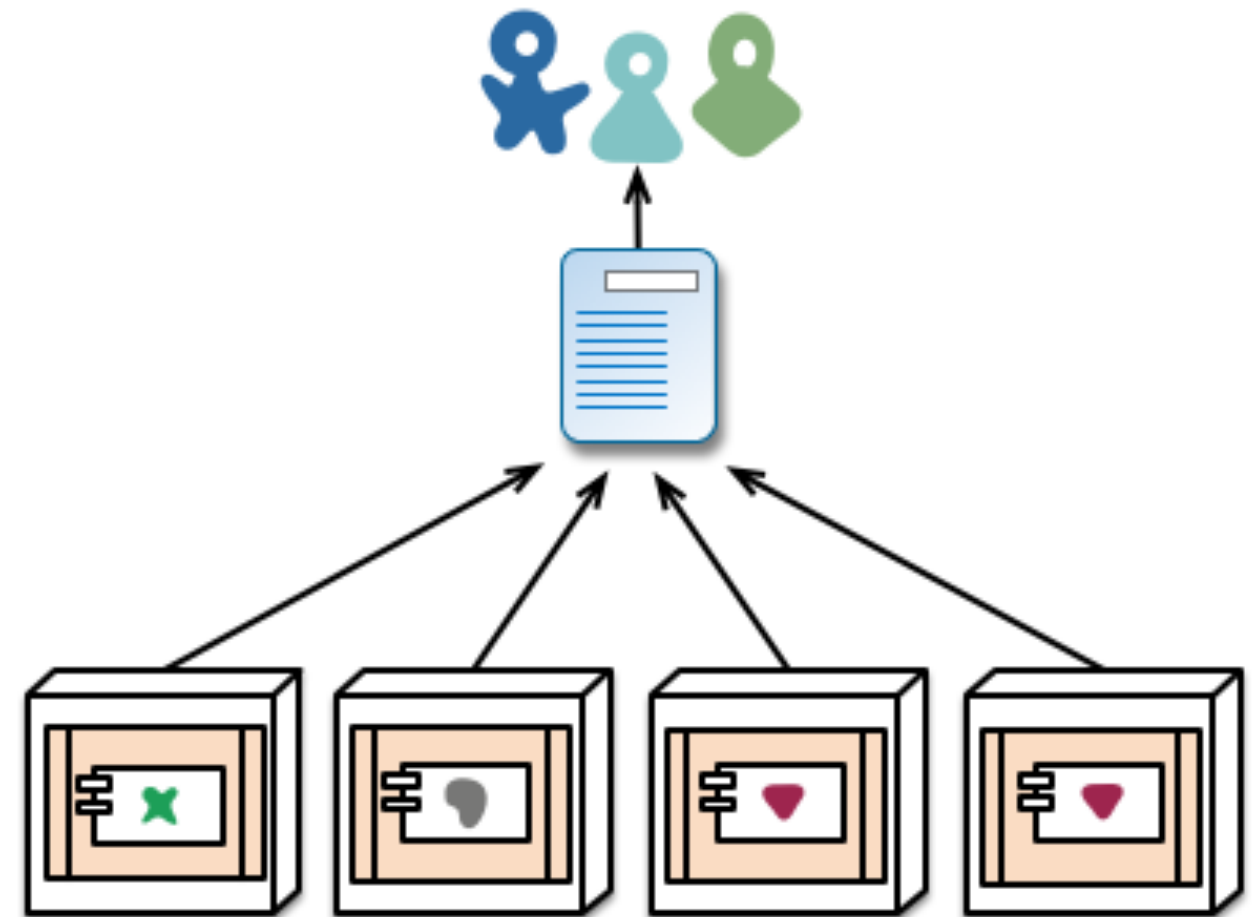
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# INDEPENDENT PROCESSES



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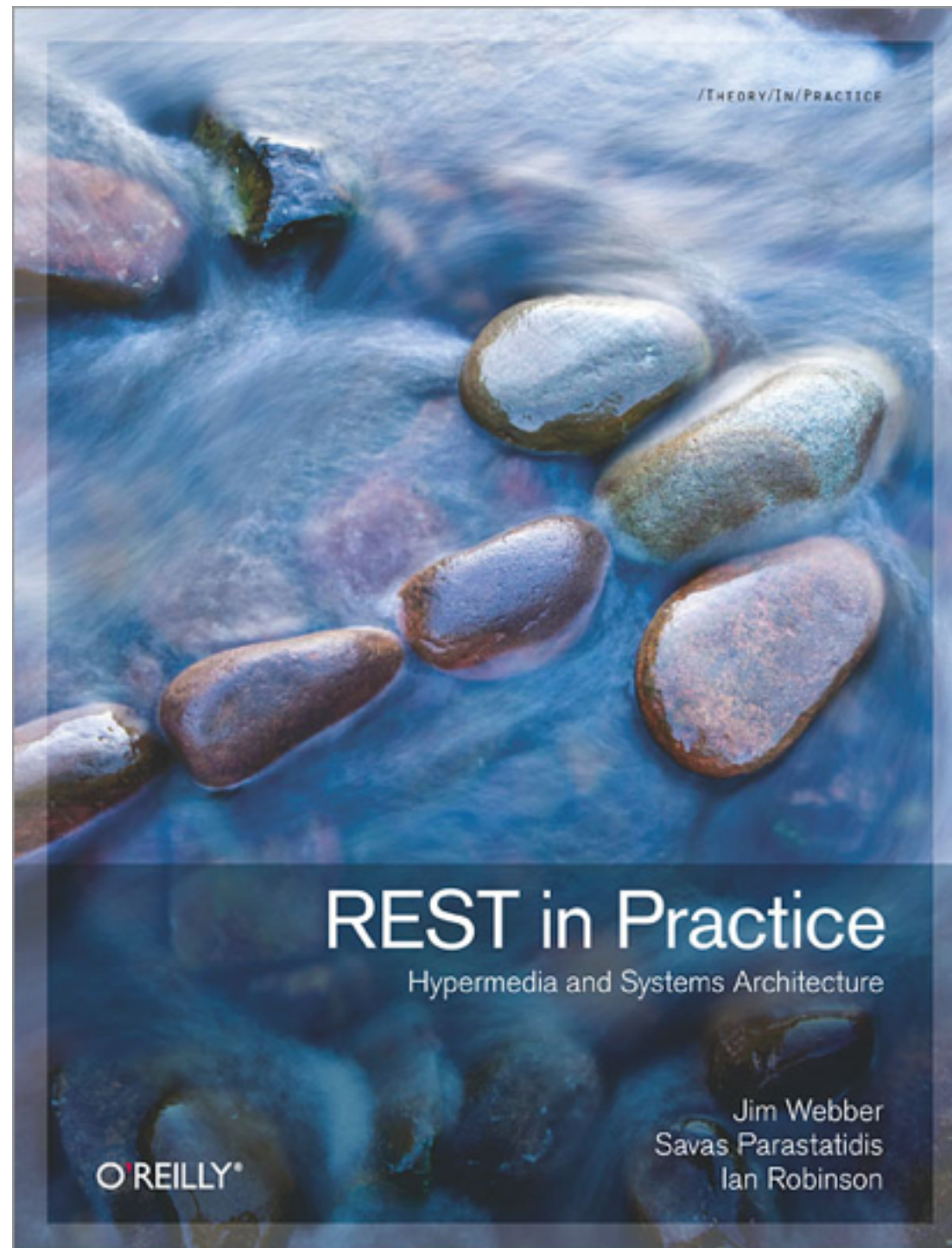
microservices - modules running in different processes



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# LANGUAGE AGNOSTIC APIS

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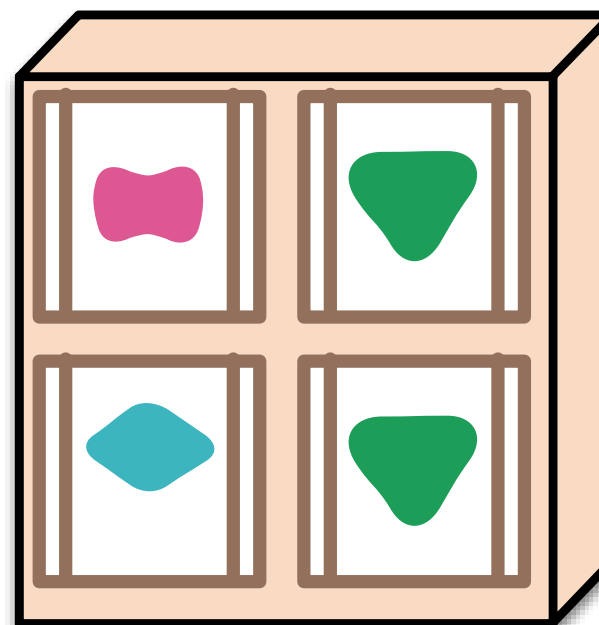
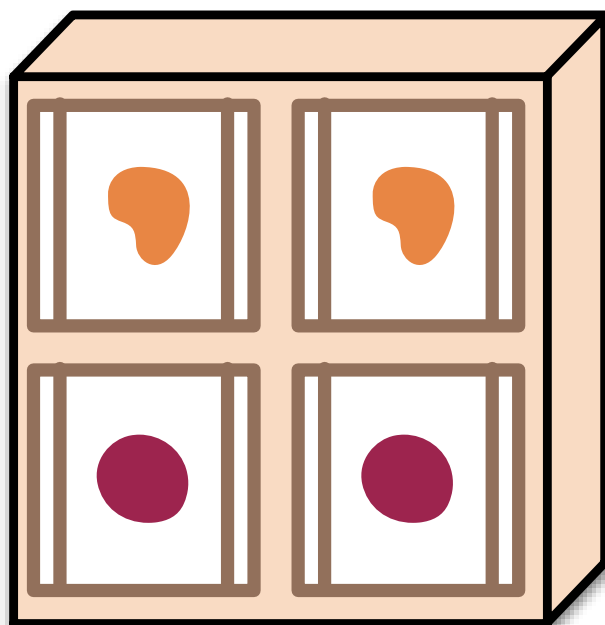
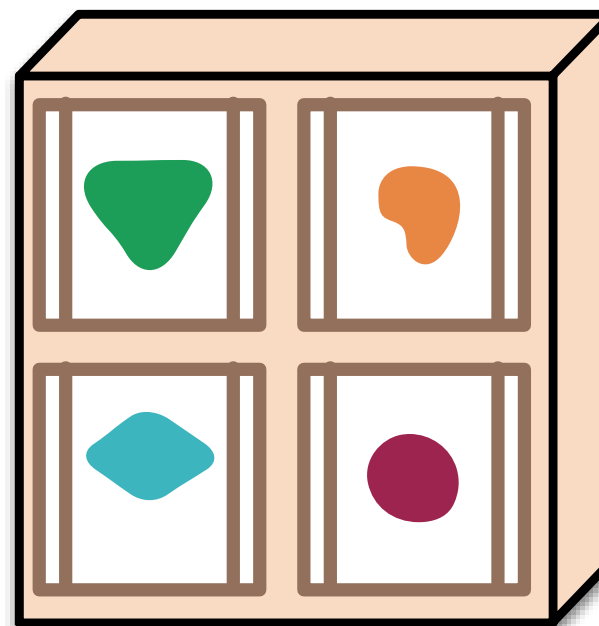
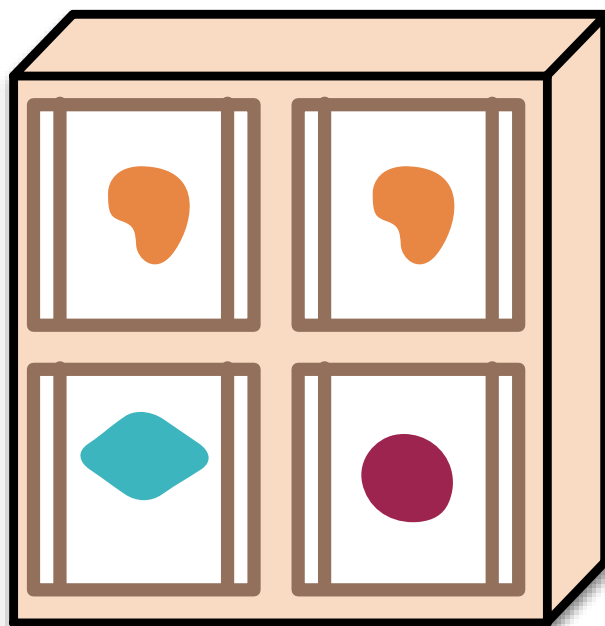


*“be of the  
web”*

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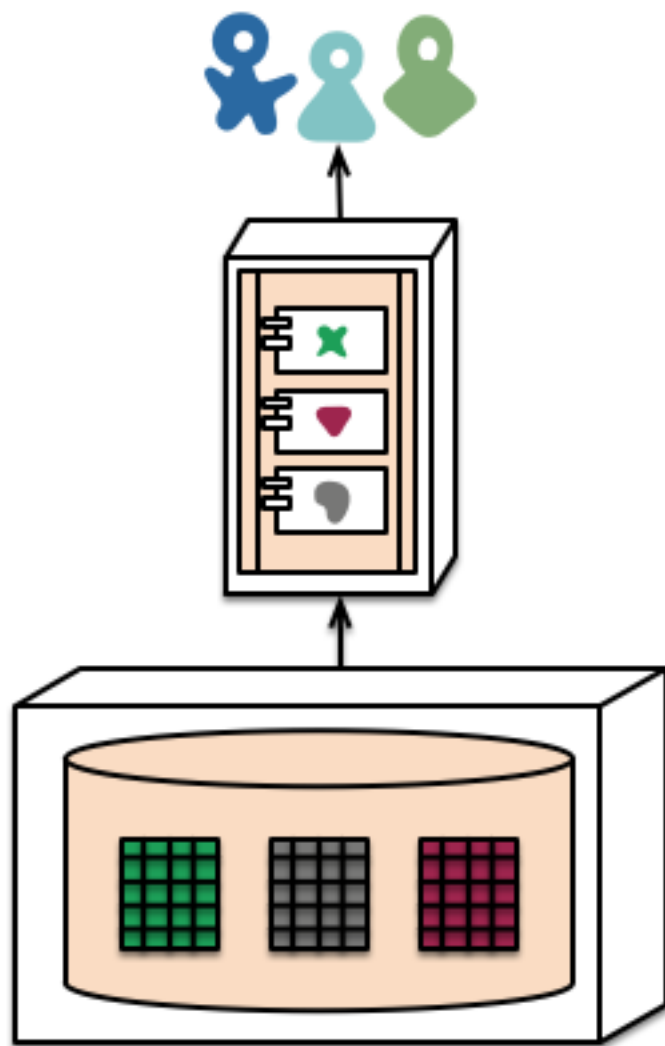


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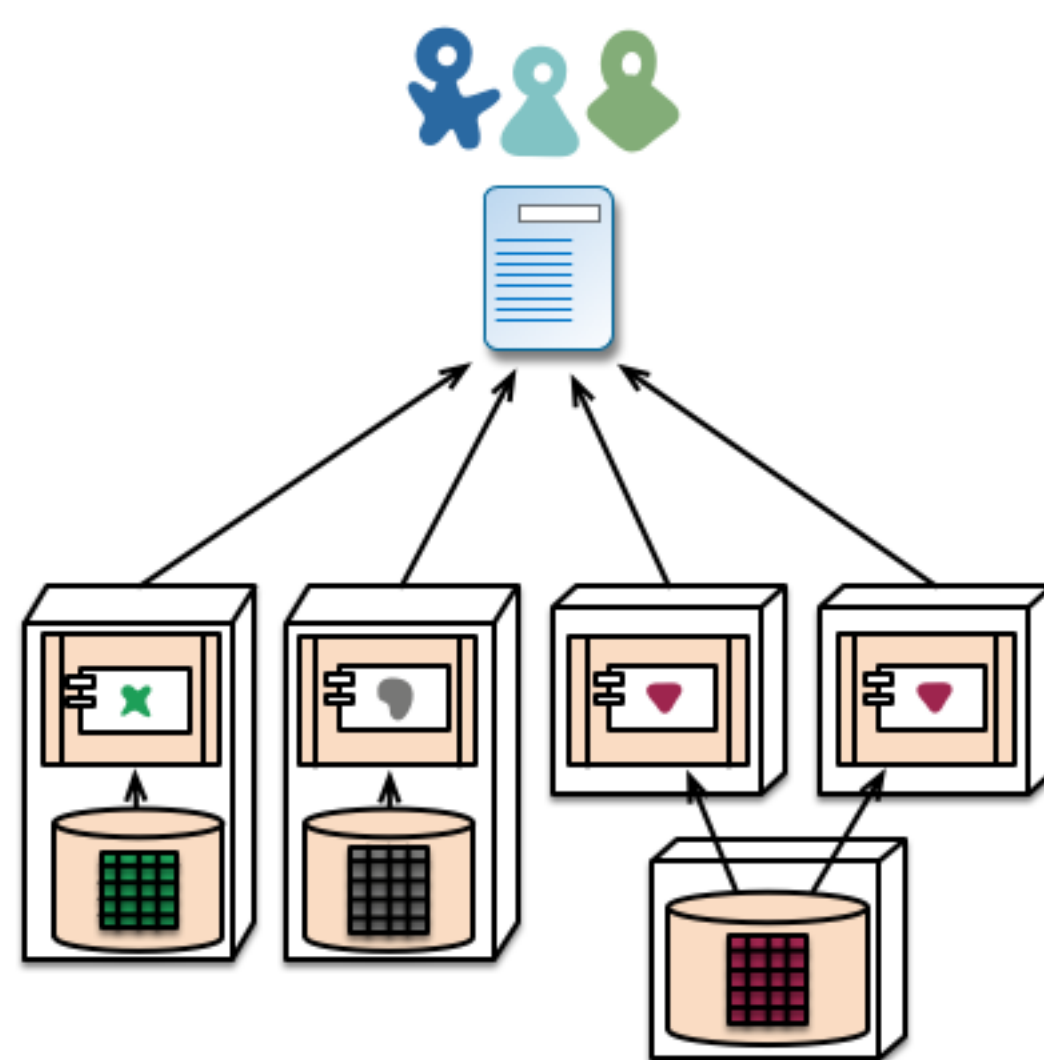
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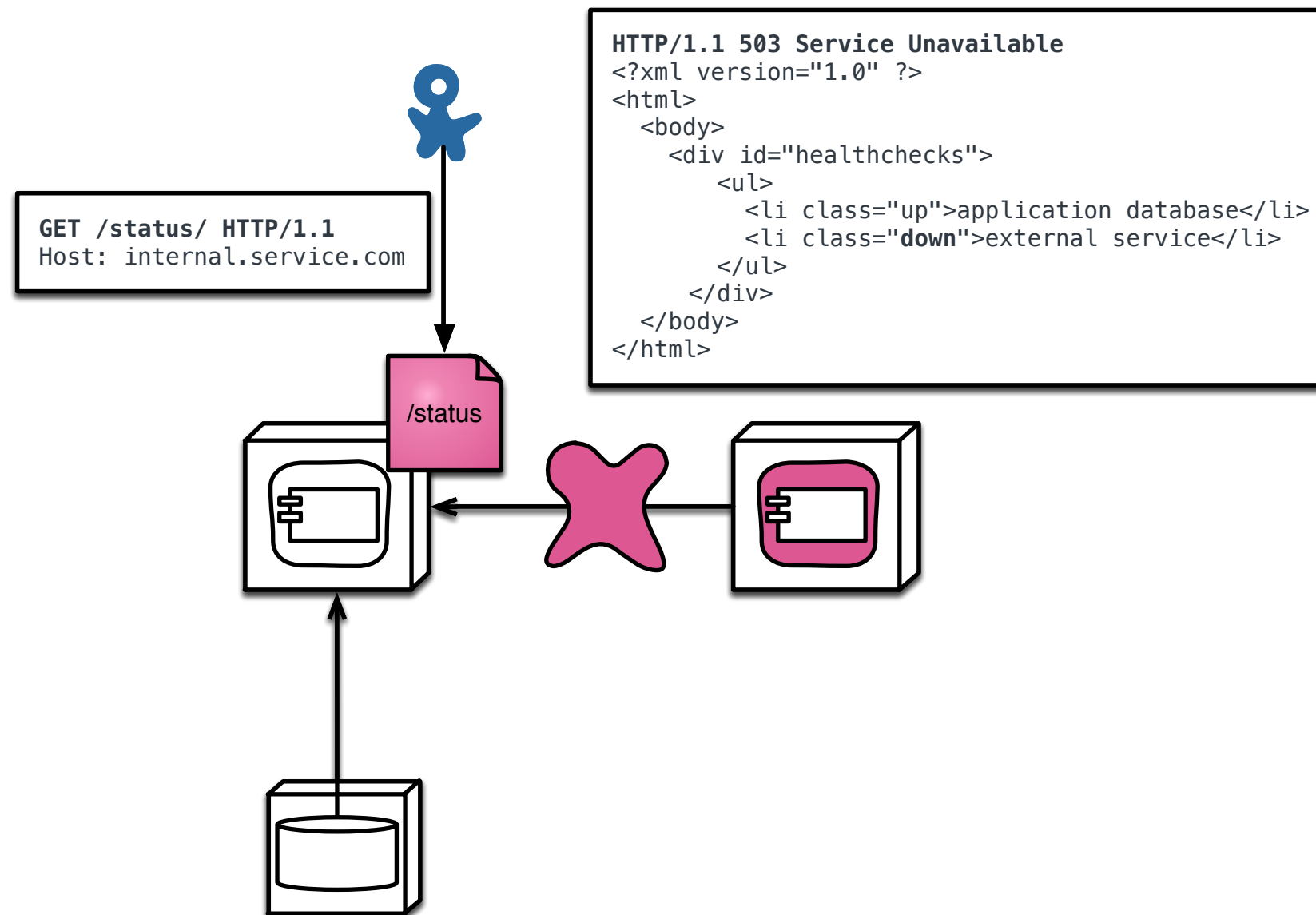


monolith - single database



microservices - application databases

# RESILIENCE

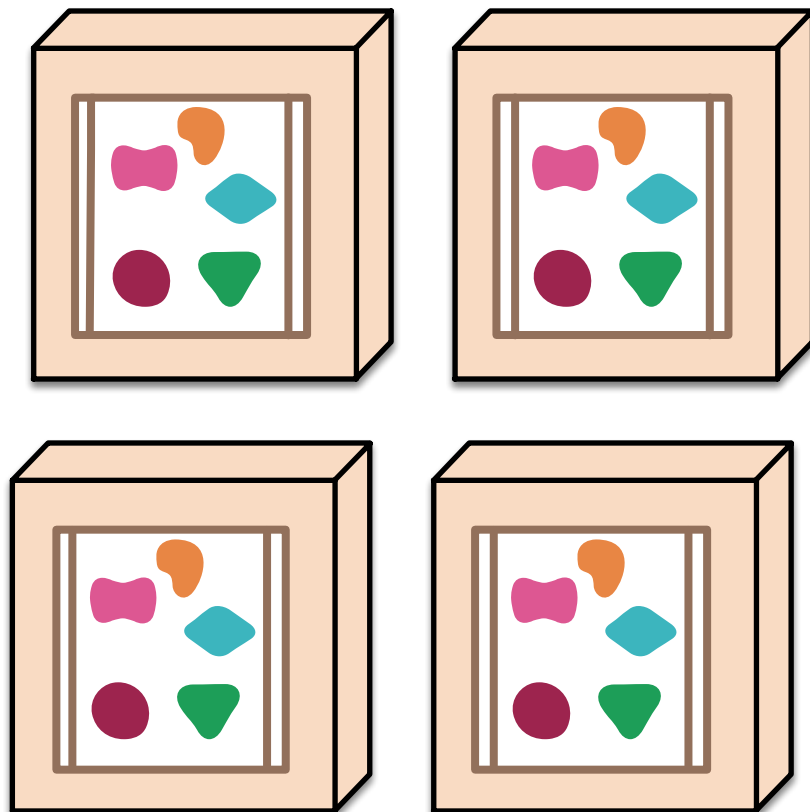


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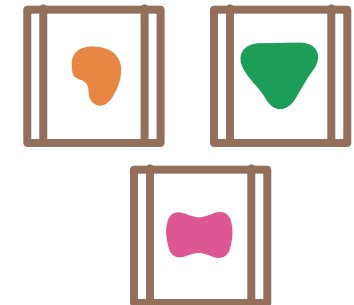
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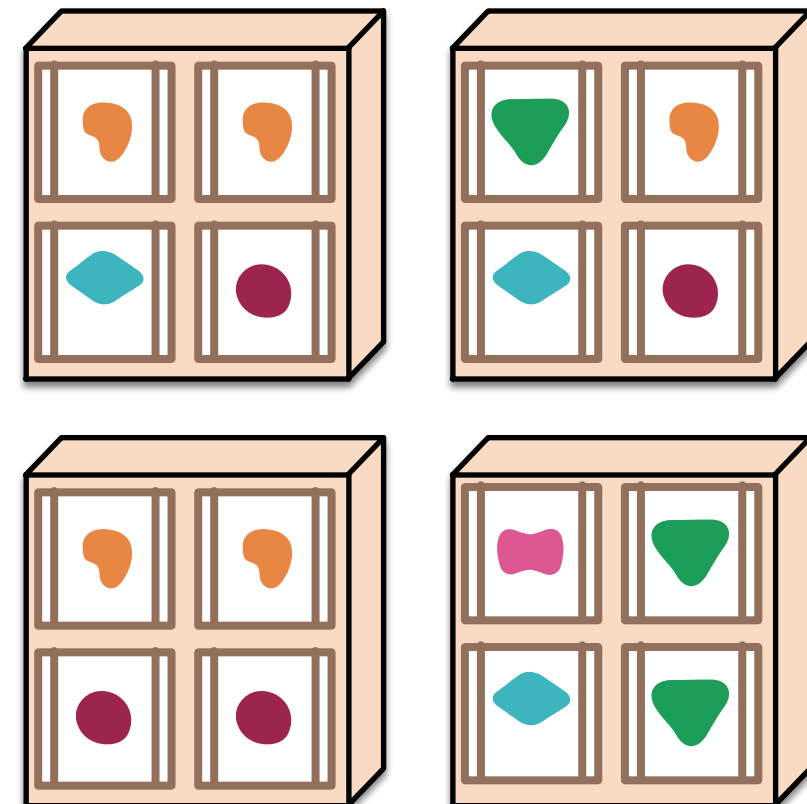
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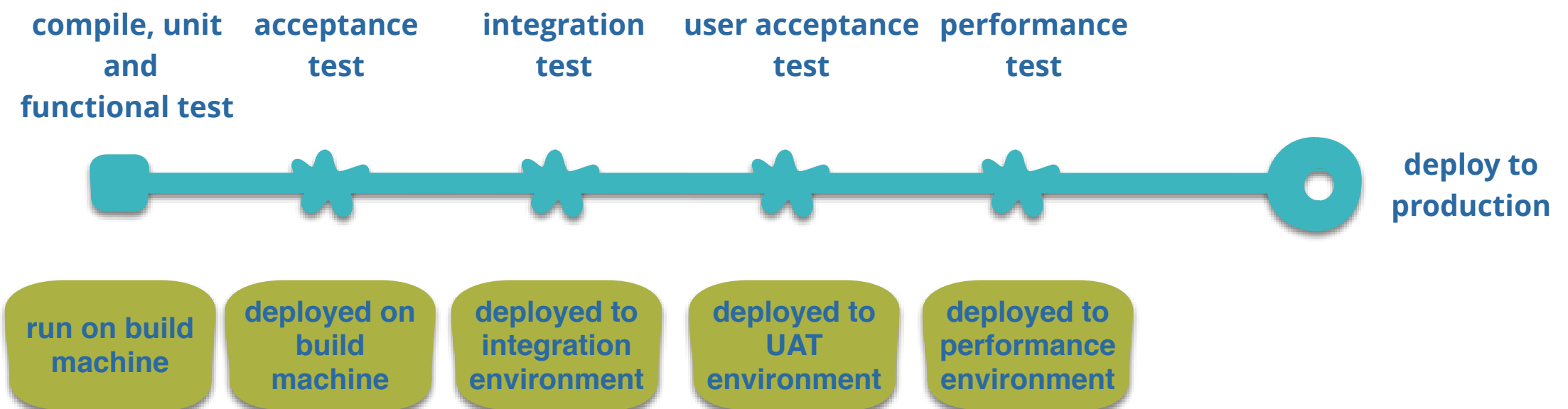
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# DEPLOYMENT

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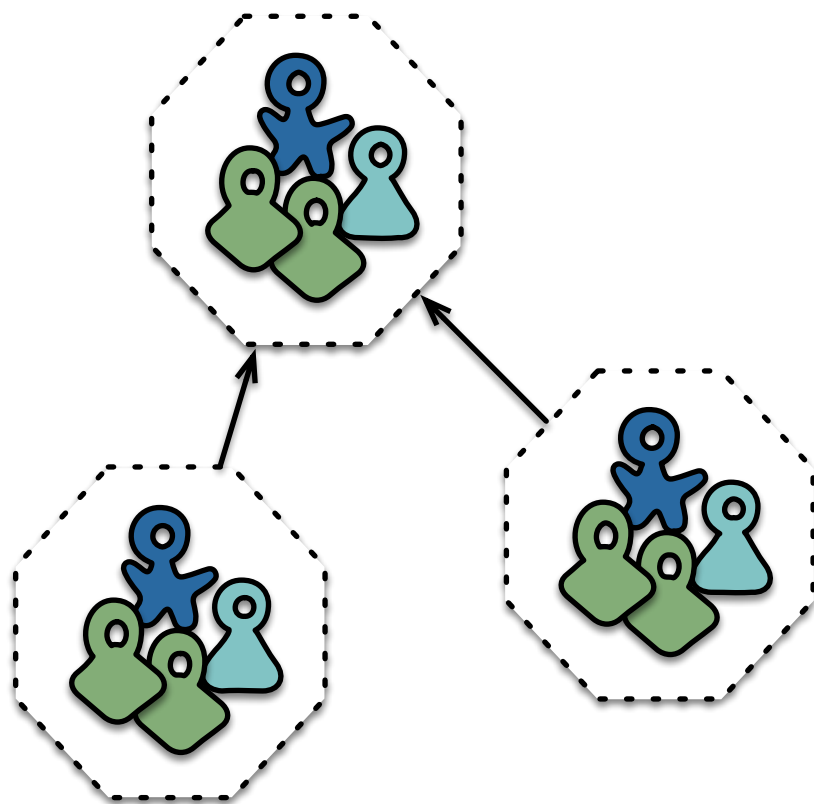
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# Conway's law

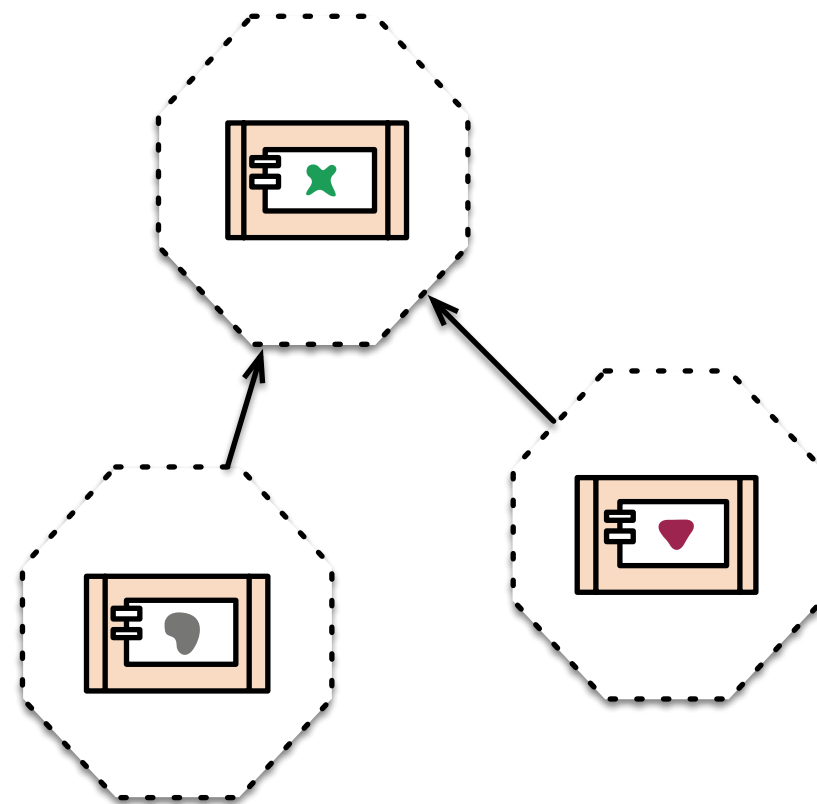
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*"organisations which design systems ... are  
**constrained to designs which are copies  
of the communication structures** of these  
organisations"*

# Conway's law



Cross-functional teams...



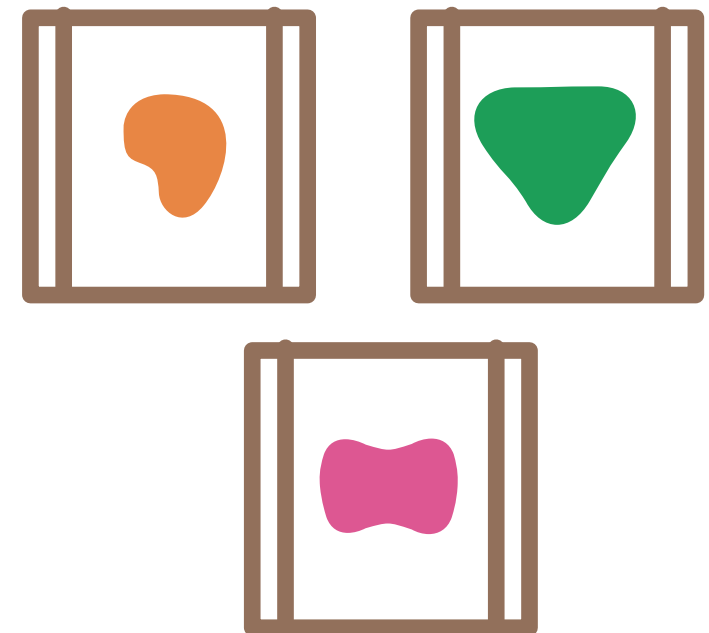
... organised around capabilities  
Because Conway's Law

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# REPLACEABLE SERVICES

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# Preparing for the **unknown**

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*“With great **power**...”*



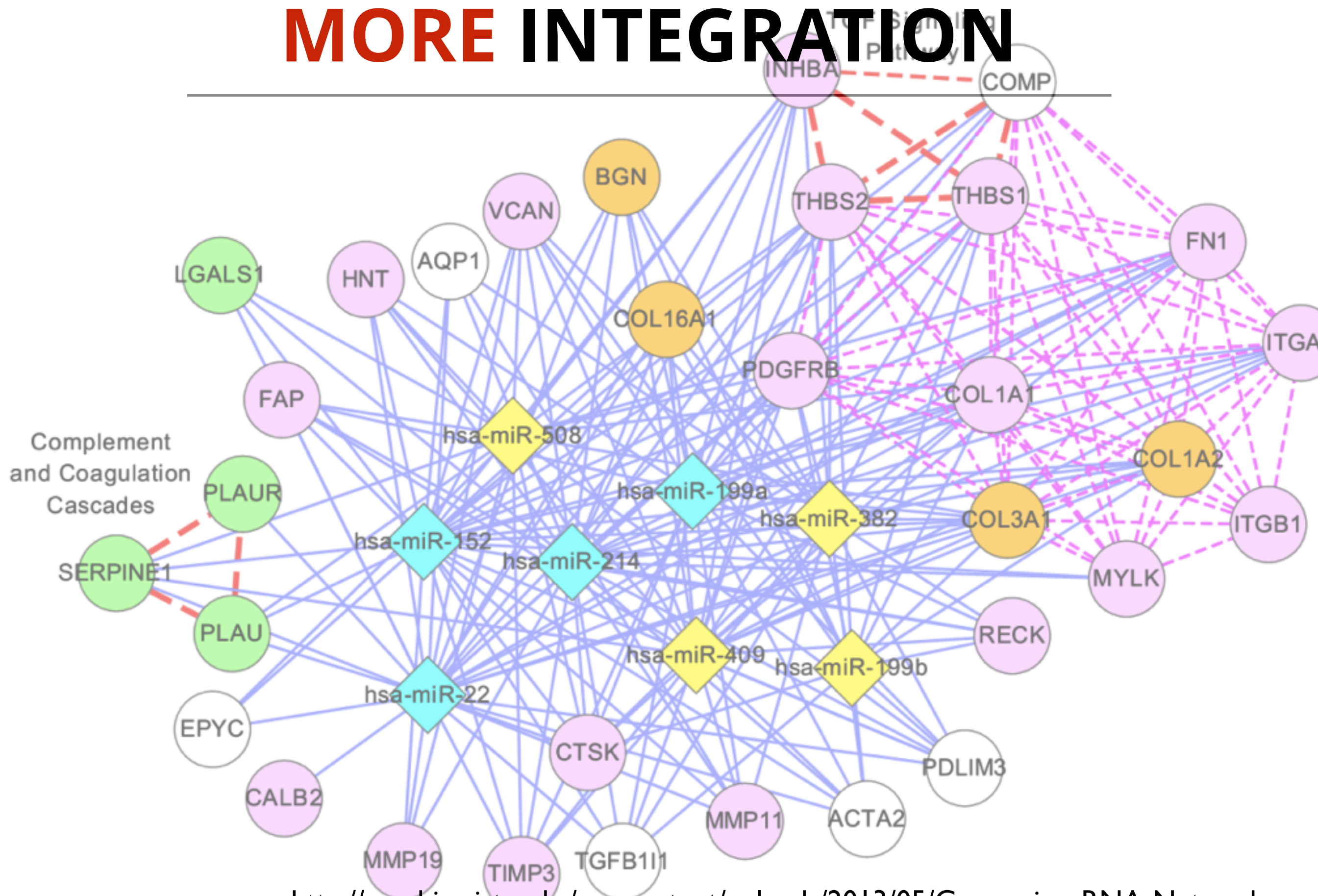


# Cognitive complexity

<http://beyondplm.com/2012/04/23/plm-and-the-death-of-complexity/>



# MORE INTEGRATION



# MONITORING AND TESTING

The screenshot displays the Nagios web interface in a browser window. The address bar shows the URL <https://monitor.tag1consulting.com/nagios/>. The interface includes a left sidebar with navigation links and a main content area displaying a table of monitoring data.

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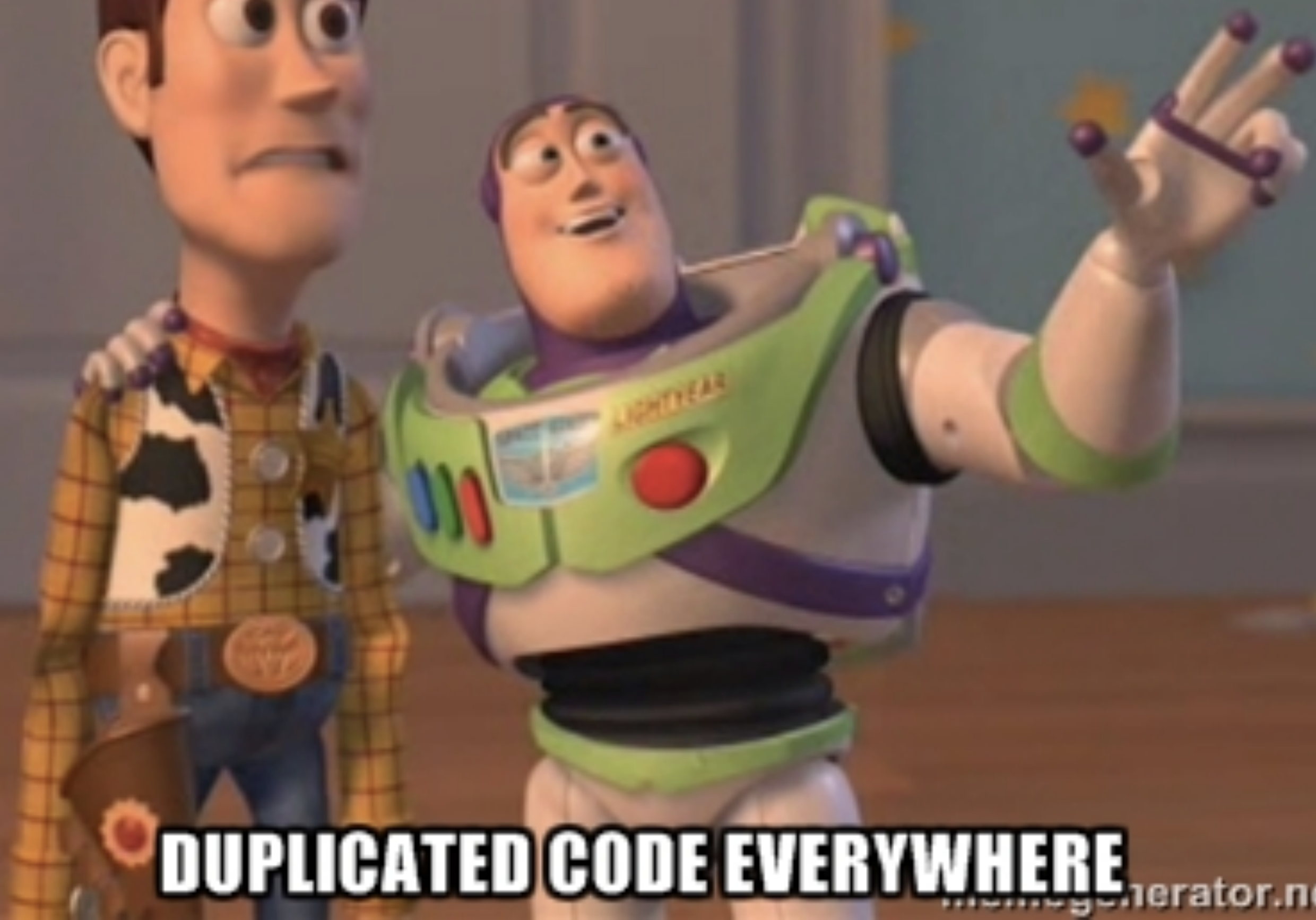
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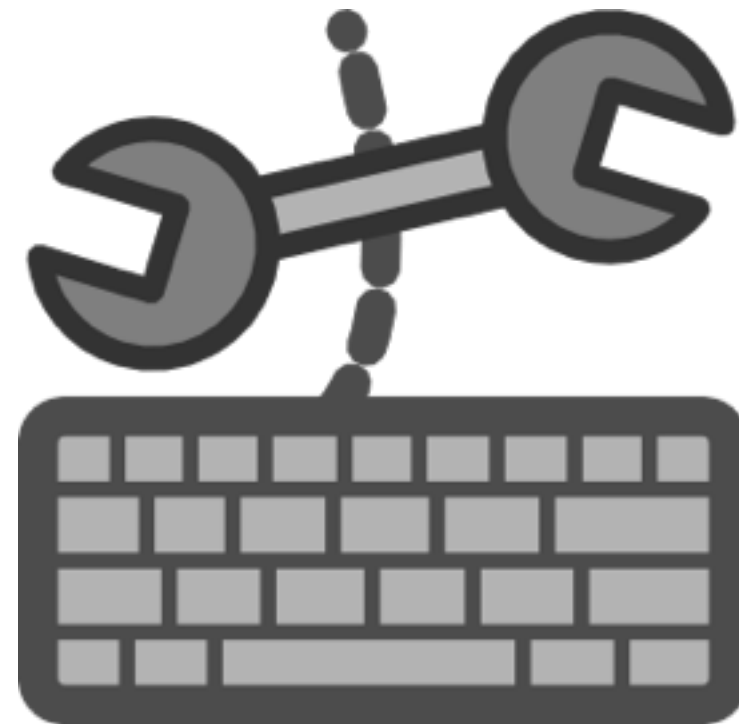


**DUPLICATED CODE EVERYWHERE**

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# **More** configuration management

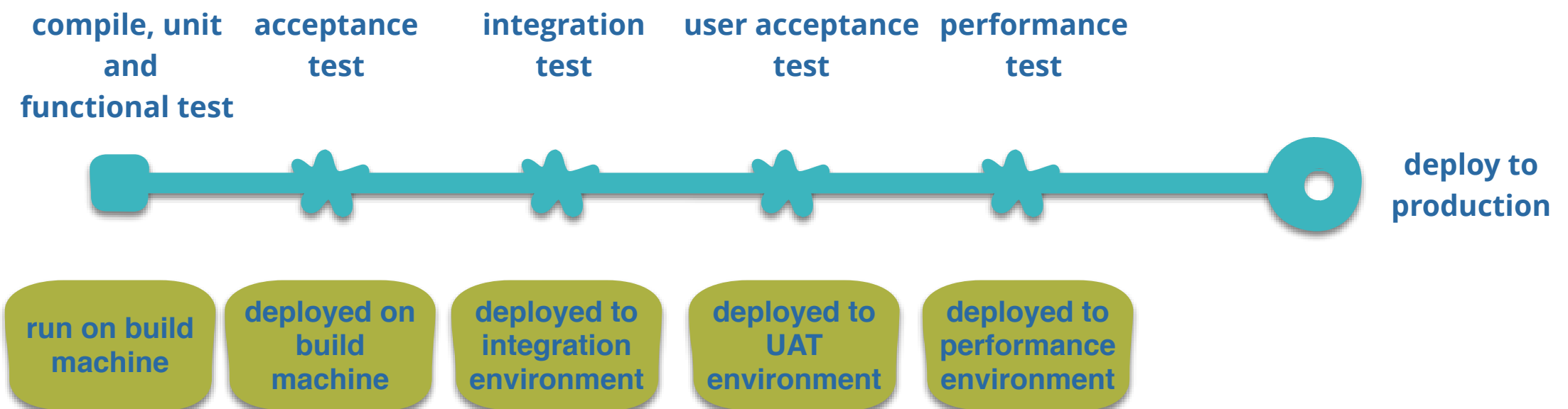
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# Deployment



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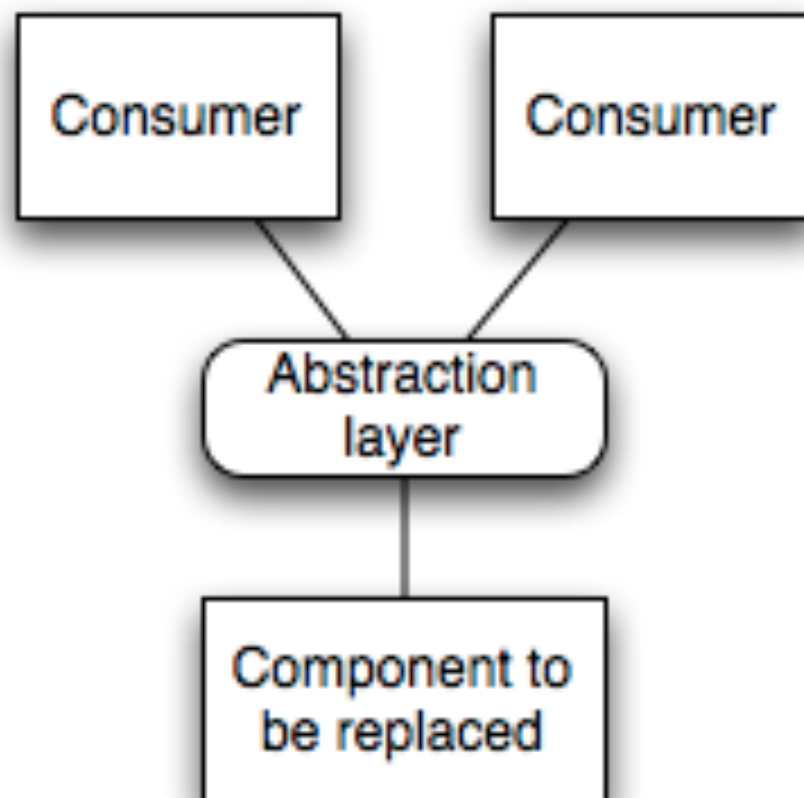
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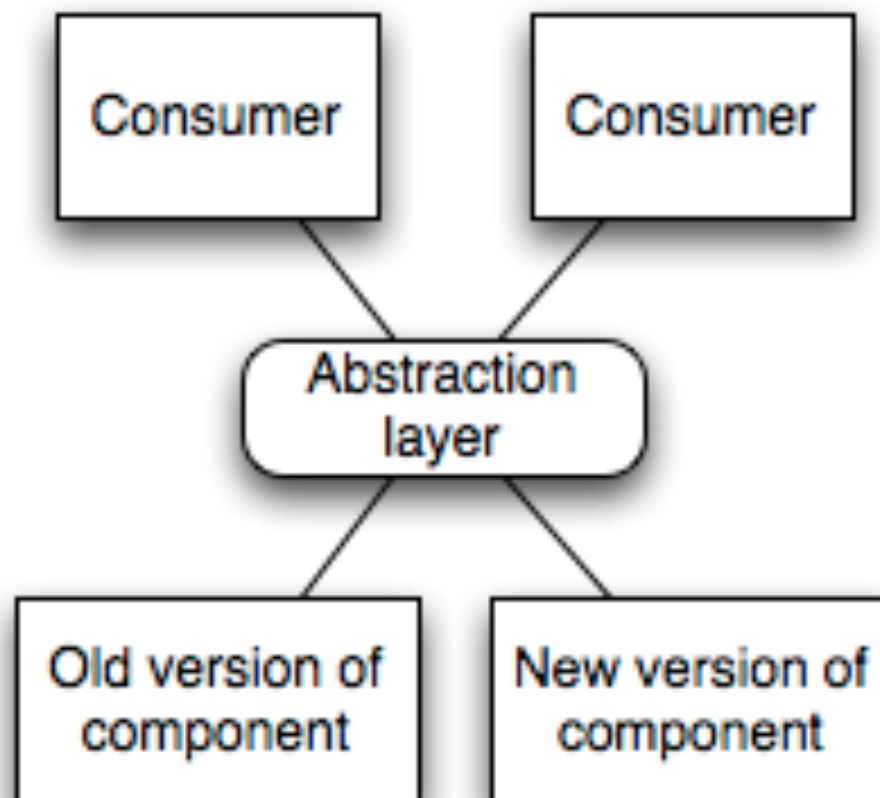
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Steps 1 and 2



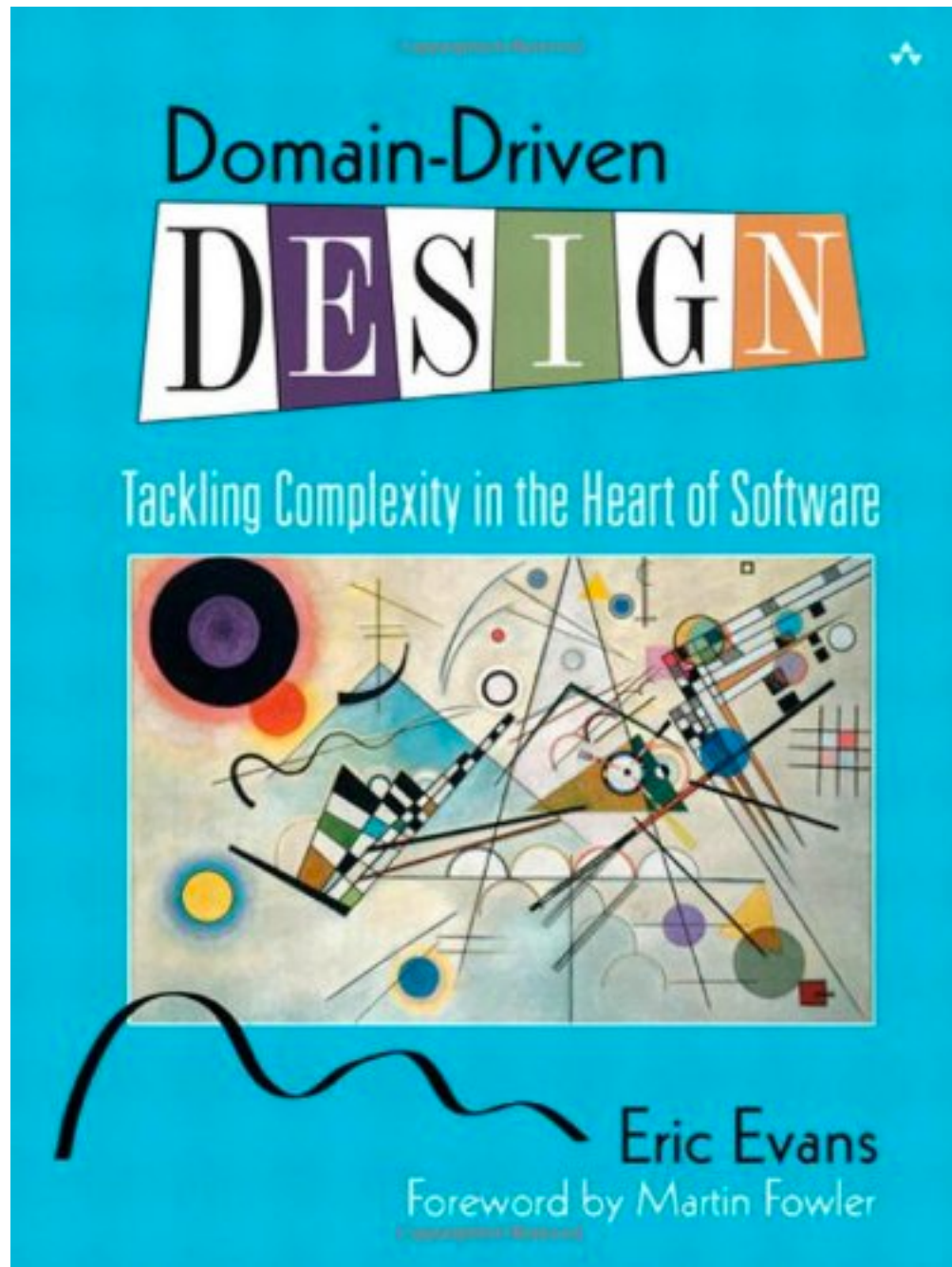
Steps 3 and 4



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# BOUNDED CONTEXT

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*Domain  
Driven  
Design*



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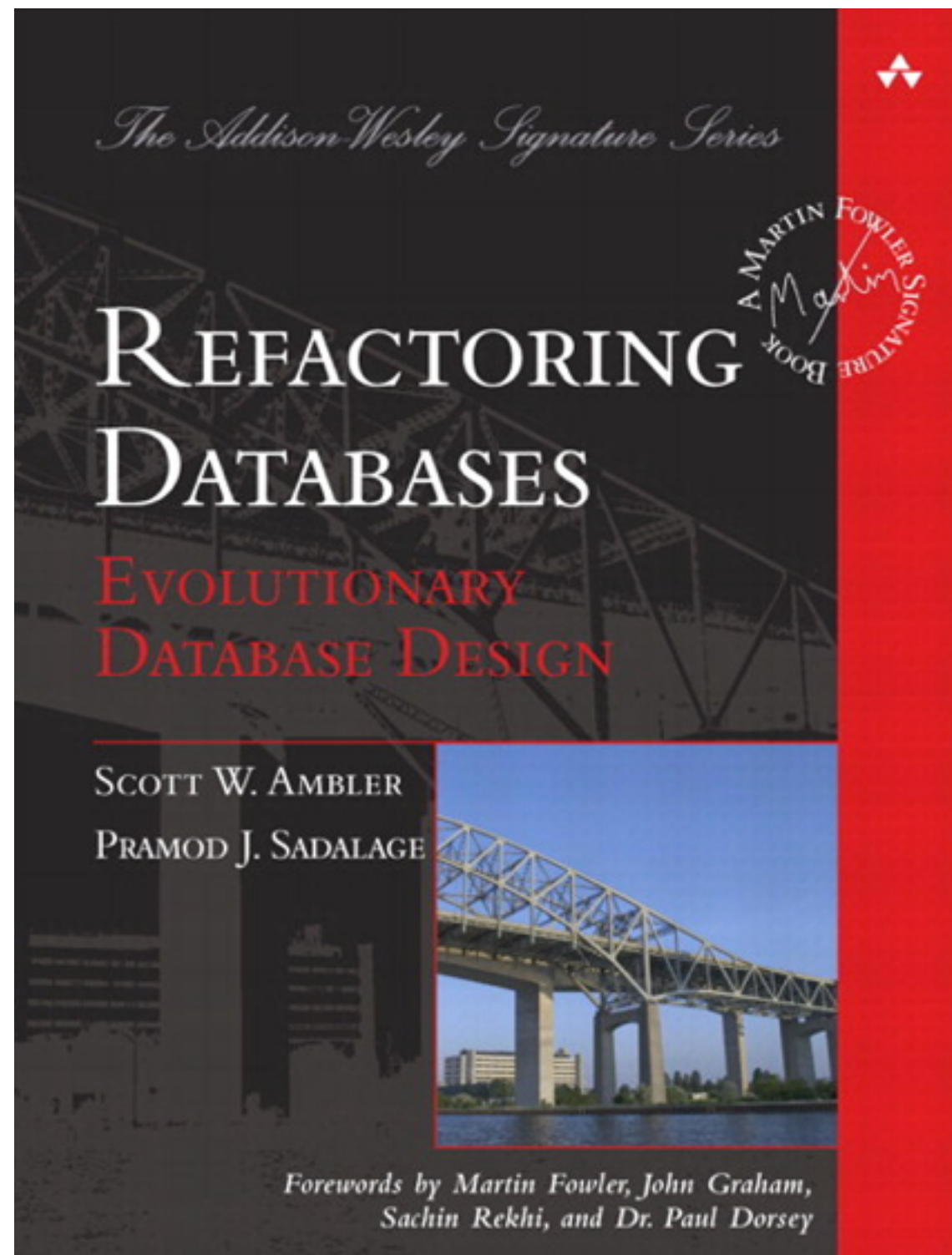




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# CHANGING DATA

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*Refactoring  
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*“One **True** Customer”*

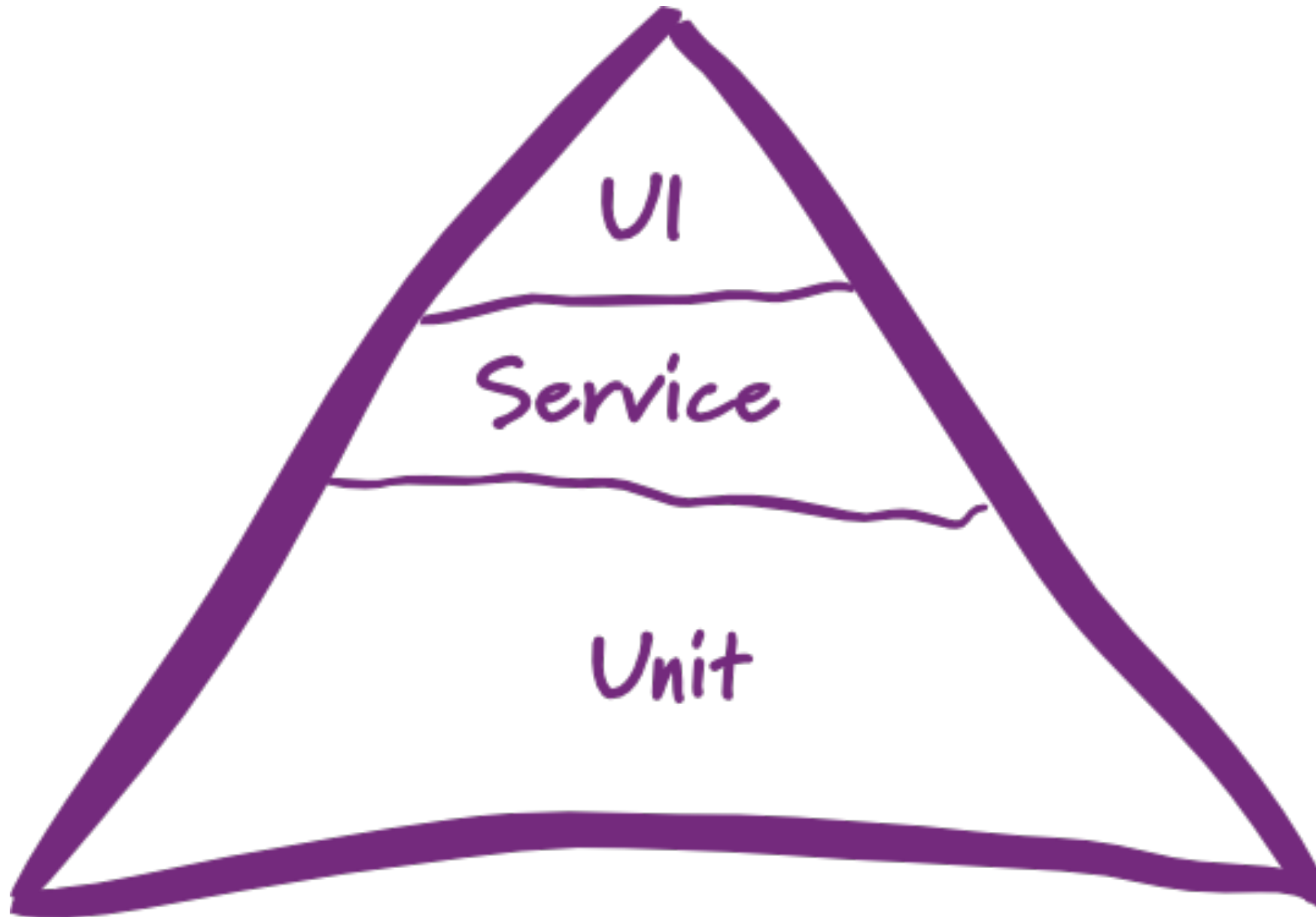
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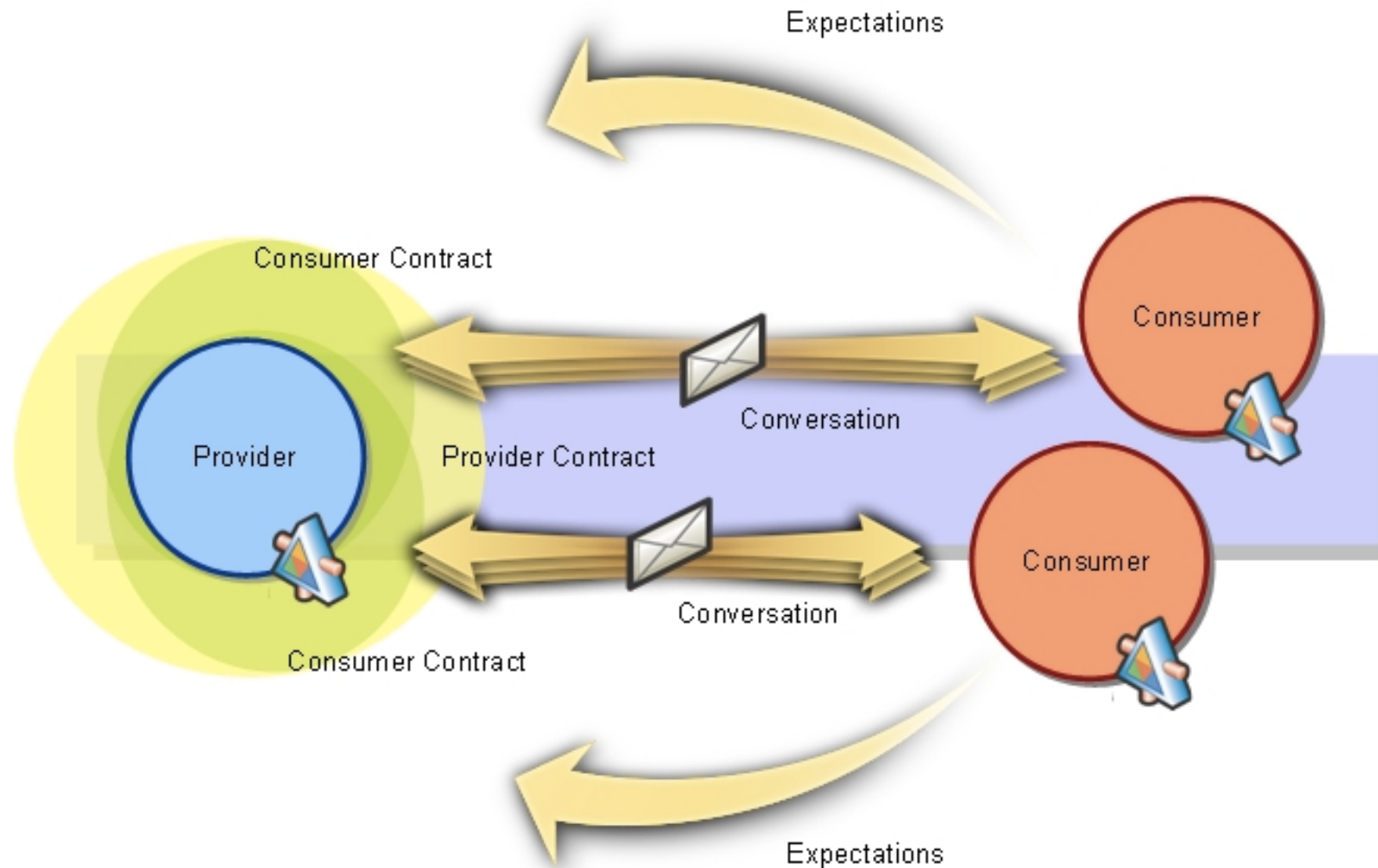
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# CONSUMER DRIVEN CONTRACTS

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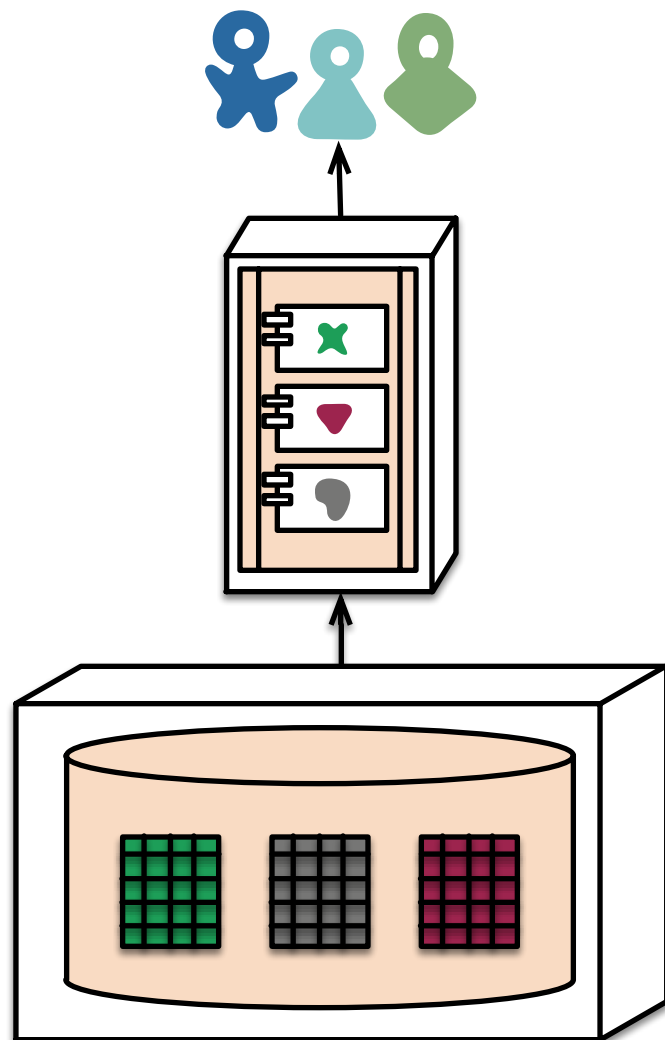
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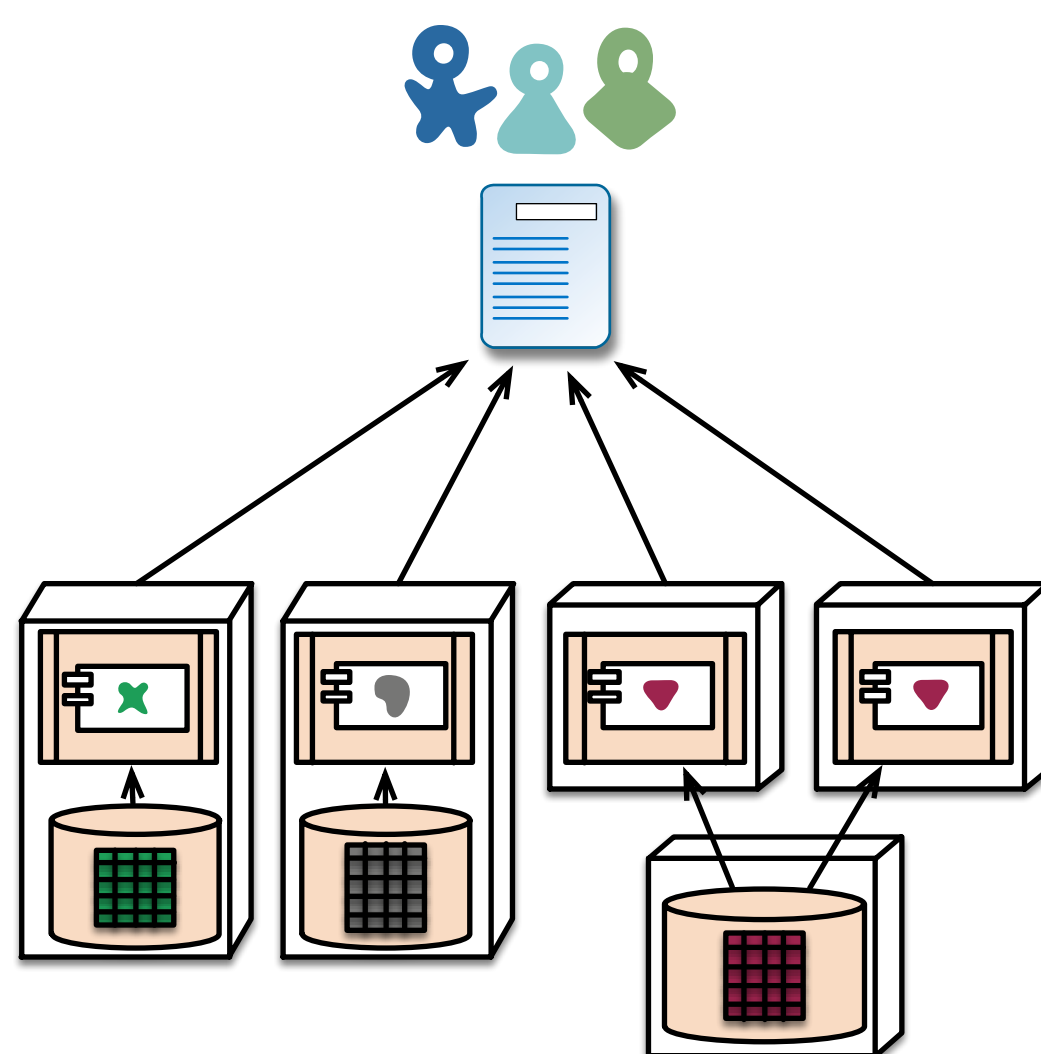
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# THE MONOLITH **BACKLASH**



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# MATURITY

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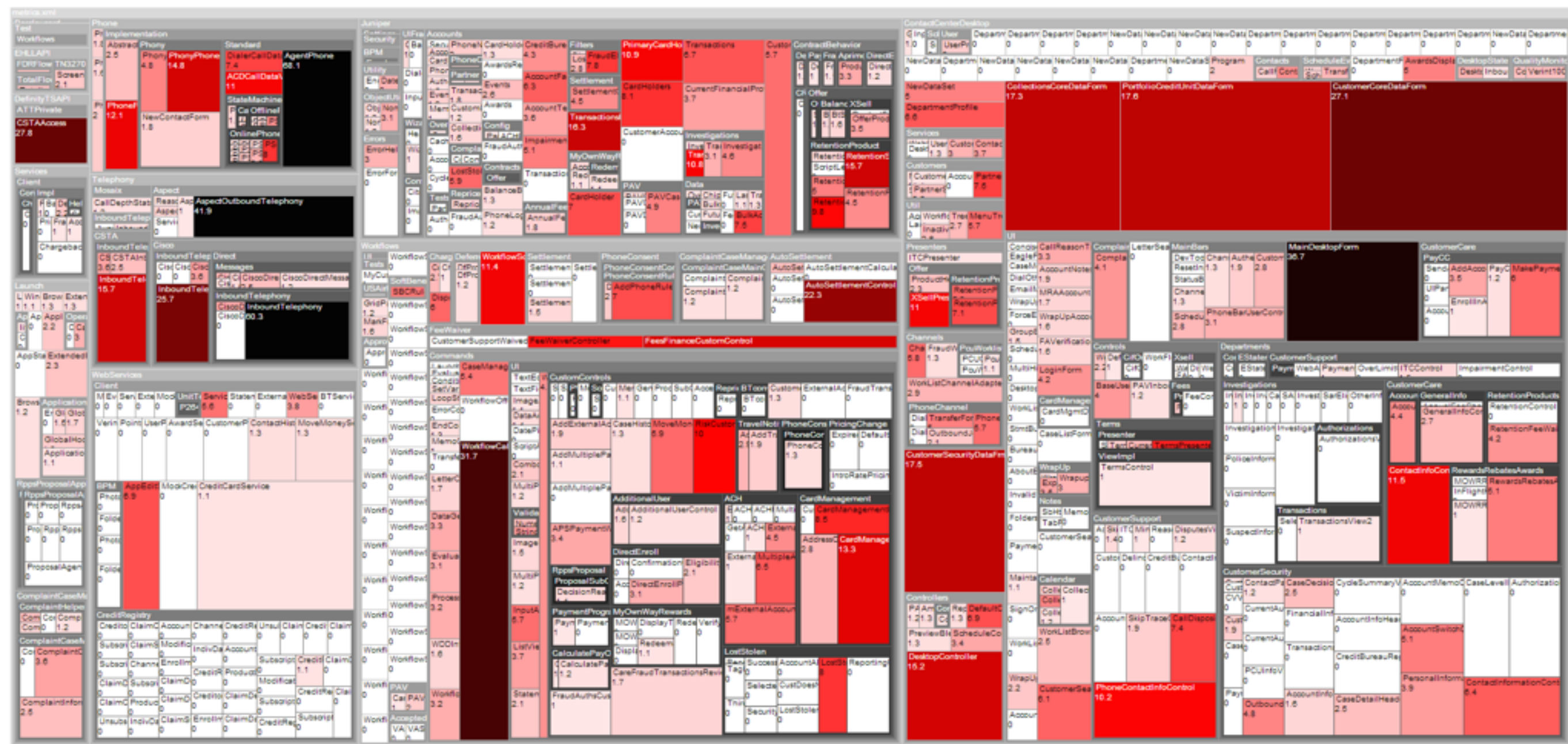
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# 1. LAST RESPONSIBLE MOMENT



## 2. ARCHITECT FOR EVOLVABILITY





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## 3. POSTEL'S LAW

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*"Be conservative in what you send,  
be liberal in what you accept"*

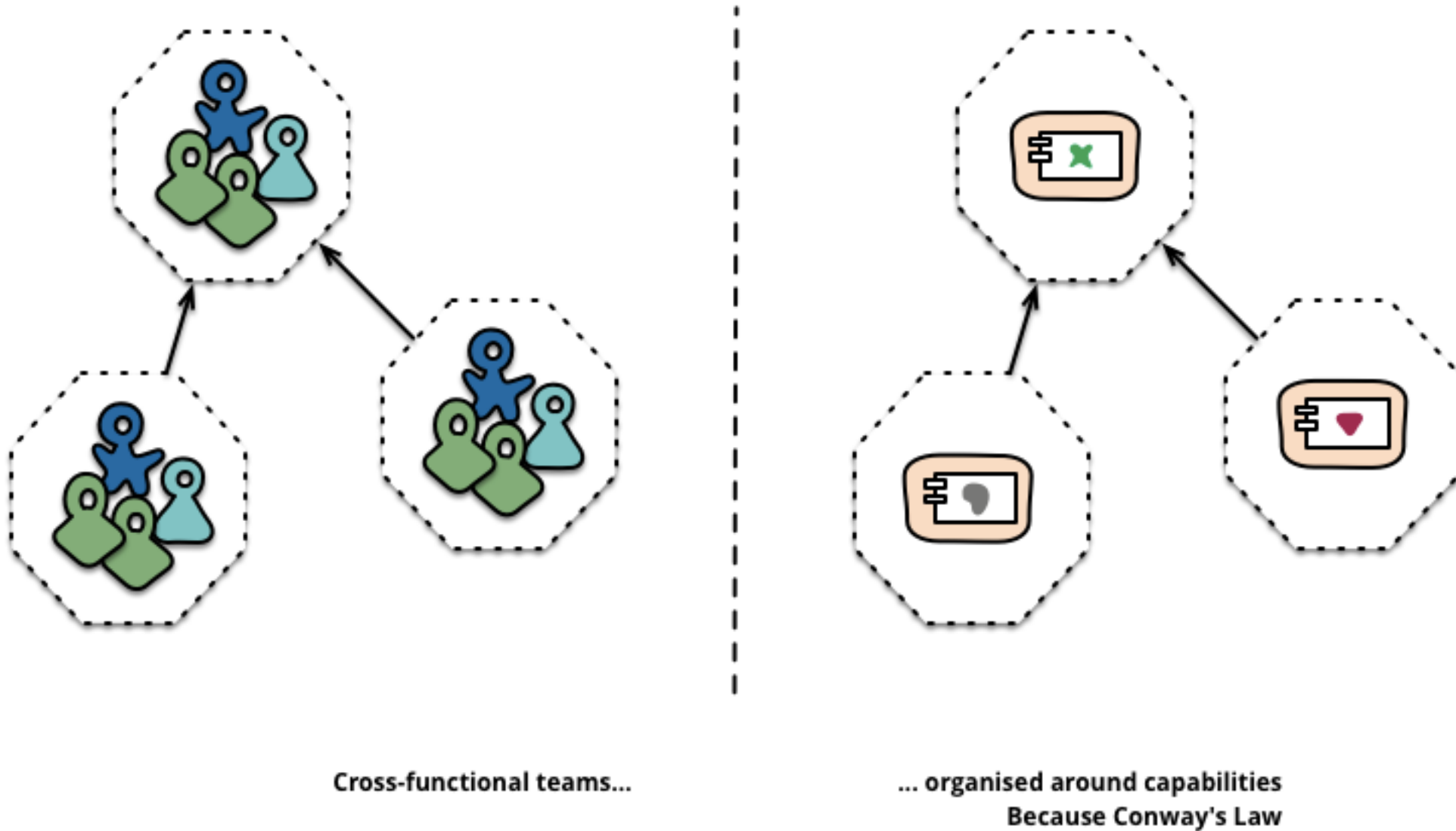
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## 4. ARCHITECT FOR **TESTABILITY**

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# 5. CONWAY'S LAW



<http://stilldrinking.org/programming-sucks>

# Programming Sucks

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30 ^@^@Ł ^B^@^@^@è ½ í^D^@H<8d>5w^H^@^@Ł ^C^@^@^@è -í^D^@H<8d>53^L^@^@Ł ^\^@^@^@è <9b>
31 ^C^@^@H<8d>=Ÿñ.^@L<8b>5<96>ö.^@è Qm^@^@H<89>Äè 3^L^@^@H<8d>5<80><97>$^@L<89>+ H<89>
32 ^E^Rÿ.^@
33 ^E^Nÿ.^@
34 ^E ÿ.^@^0<85>y^A^@^@H<8d>=â<97>$^@è ^HÈ^D^@H<85>Àt^H<89>Ç½ ^P^@^@^@è î^0^C^@H<89>
```

## CATASTROPHIC ERROR

User attempted to use program in the manner  
program was meant to be used.

Options:  
1) Erase computer  
2) Weep

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b>>è <9a>F
é Á$^@è 3E
^@^@^@<8a>
89>B H<8d>
X/^@L<89>ö
A^@^@[A\A]
<8d>5ì µ$^
>âSPH<89>+
ÄUH<89>âAW
^D^@f^0|À
H<8d>5è $
^U^@^@è
MD è ¶ ® ^
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# THANK YOU!

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# Resources

## Books:

- Continuous Delivery - Jez Humble, Dave Farley
- Working Effectively with Legacy Code - Michael Feathers
- Domain Driven Design - Eric Evans
- Your Brain at Work - David Rock
- Refactoring Databases - Scott W Ambler & Pramod Sadalage
- Building Microservices - Sam Newman

## Articles/Blogs:

- Ball of Mud: <http://www.laputan.org/mud/>
- Demming - <http://leanandkanban.wordpress.com/2011/07/15/demings-14-points/>
- Coding Horror: <http://www.codinghorror.com/blog/2007/11/the-big-ball-of-mud-and-other-architectural-disasters.html>
- <http://devlicio.us/blogs/casey/archive/2009/05/14/commercial-suicide-integration-at-the-database-level.aspx>
- Evolutionary Architecture and Emergent Design: <http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/java/library/j-eaed1/index.html>
- Microservices: <http://www.infoq.com/presentations/Micro-Services> and <http://yobriefca.se/blog/2013/04/29/micro-service-architecture/> and <http://davidmorgantini.blogspot.co.uk/2013/08/micro-services-what-are-micro-services.html>
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- <http://highscalability.com/blog/2014/4/8/microservices-not-a-free-lunch.html>