



# Apache Fineract CN

an open source tool in the fight against poverty



Software can make the world  
a better place.

*-Myrle Krantz*

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Vice President Emeritus, Apache Fineract

# Agenda

- Introduction (Fineract CN, Apache)
- Requirements (functional and non-functional)
- Architecture (patterns, services)

...break

- Customization (configuration, collaboration, extension, access)

...setup

- Internal architecture (services)

...creating your own service

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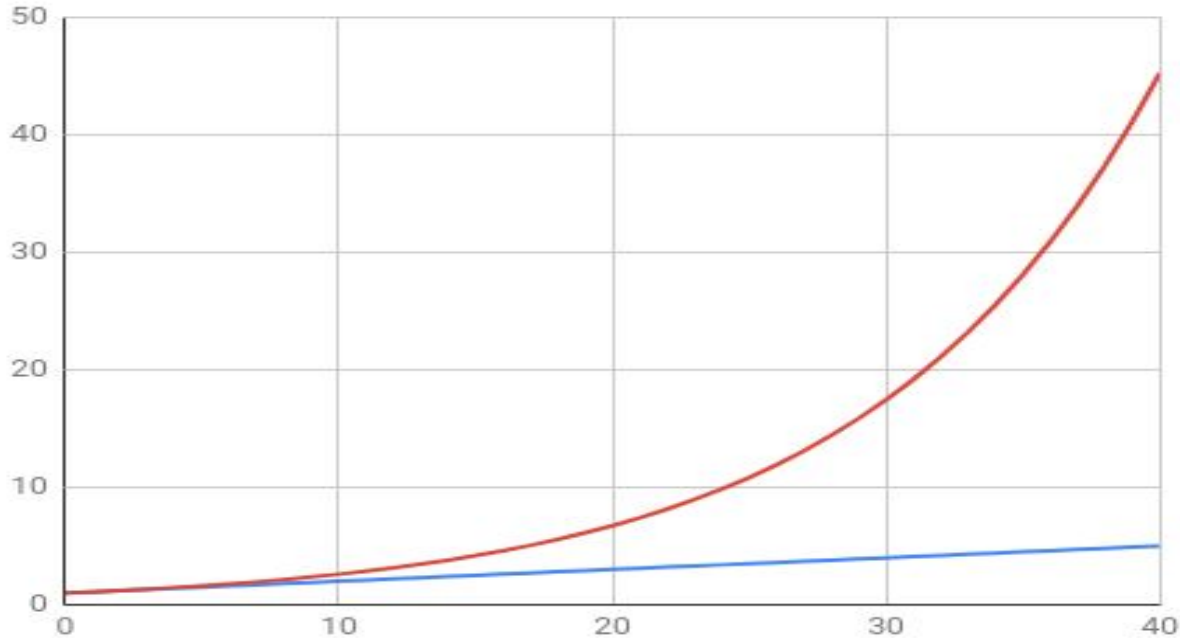
# **Introduction**

## **Apache Fineract**

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# Why fintech?

# Interest compounding is magic...



- Simple Interest
- Compound interest

$$A = P \left( 1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$$

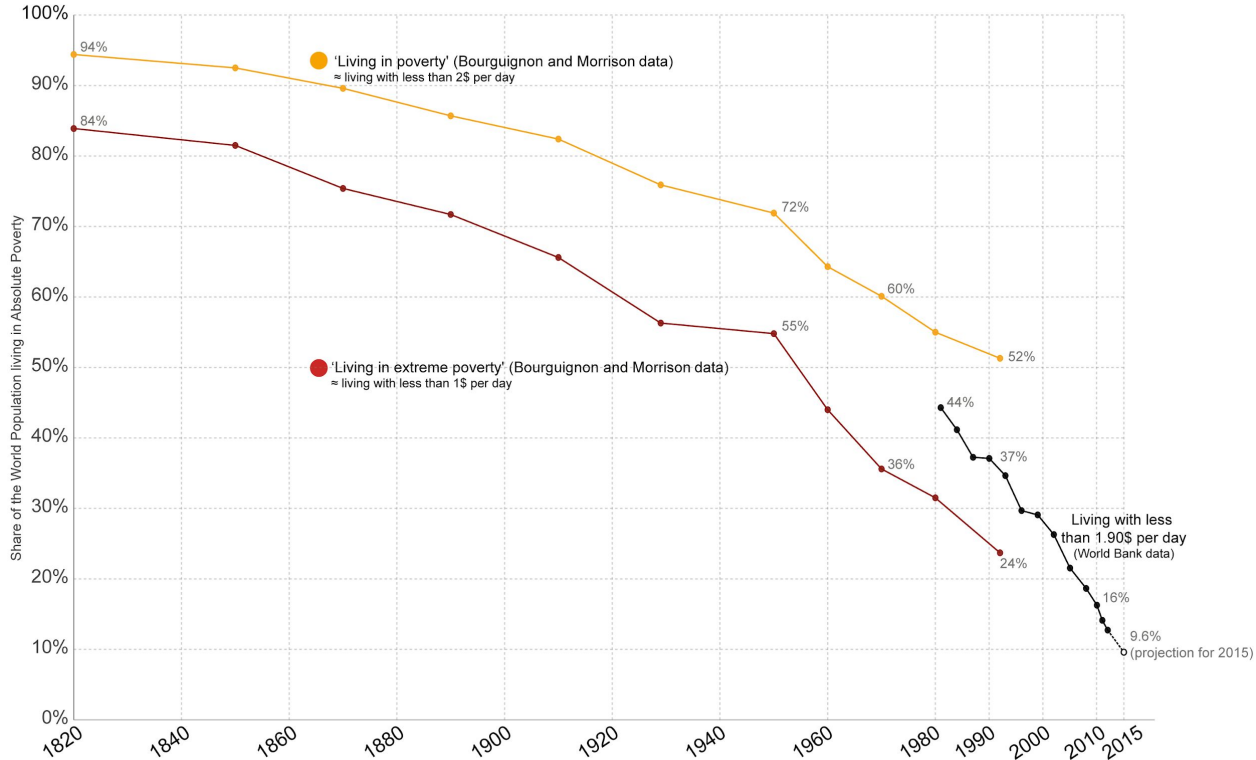
$$O(2^n)$$

# ...in the real world...



## Share of the World Population living in Absolute Poverty, 1820-2015

All data are adjusted for inflation over time and for price differences between countries (PPP adjustment).



Data sources: 1820-1992 Bourguignon and Morrison (2002) - Inequality among World Citizens, In The American Economic Review; 1981-2015 World Bank (PovcalNet)

The interactive data visualisation is available at [OurWorldinData.org](http://OurWorldinData.org). There you find the raw data and more visualisations on this topic.

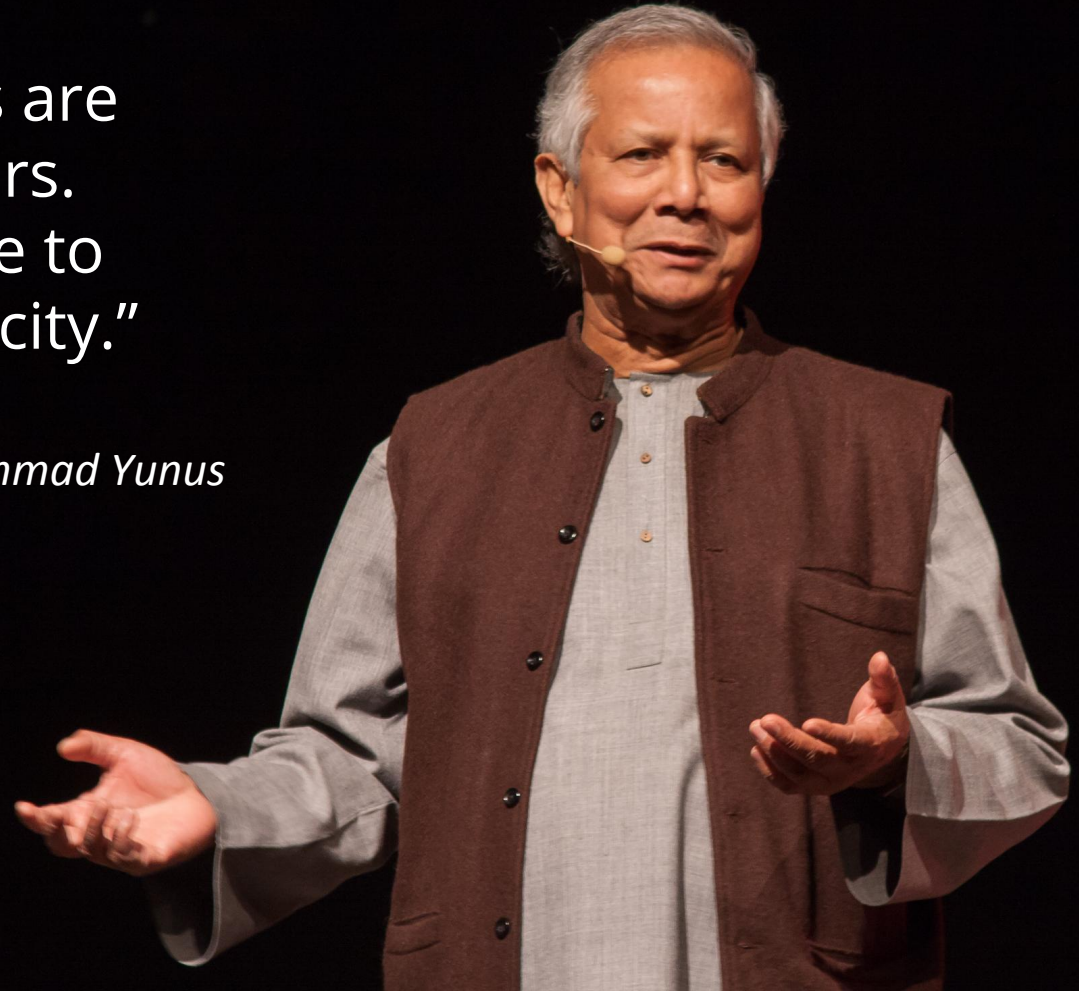
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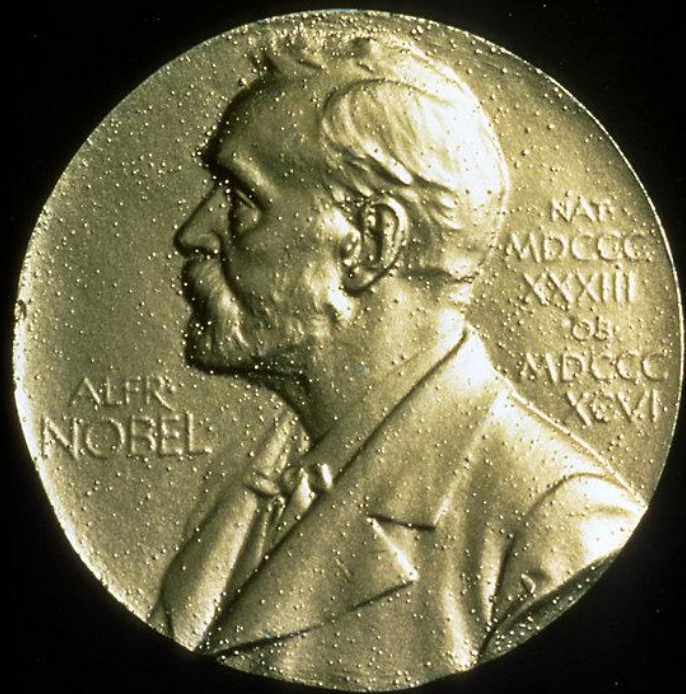
# What is microfinance?



“All human beings are  
born entrepreneurs.  
Some get a chance to  
unleash that capacity.”

*-Muhammad Yunus*





Where do banks get  
their infrastructure?

Mifos





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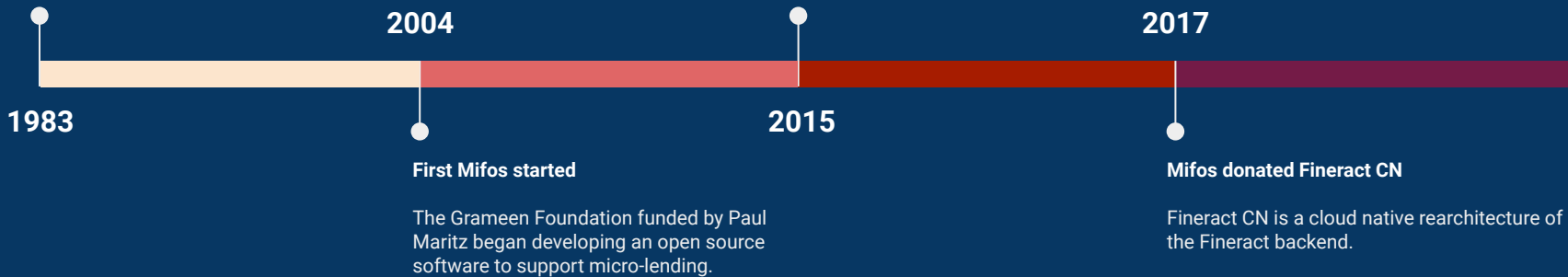
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### Grameen Bank founded

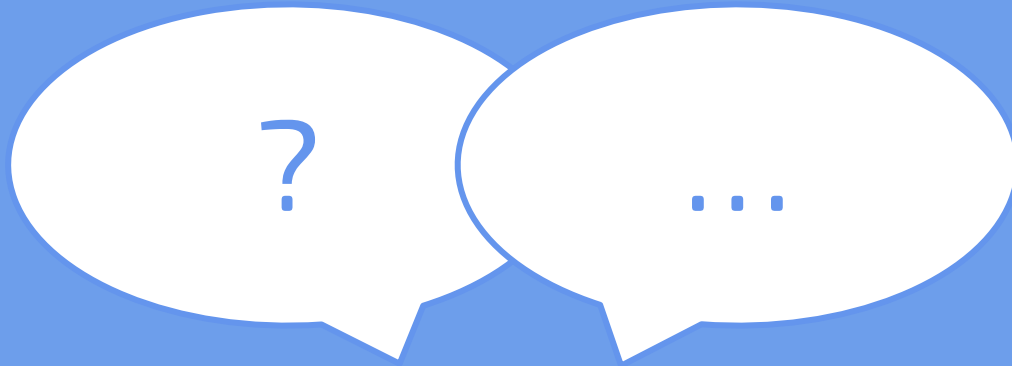
The Grameen Bank was founded to provide financial services to the very poor in Bangladesh.

### Mifos donated Fineract to Apache

The Mifos Initiative donated the Mifos backend to a new project at the Apache Software Foundation.



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# Introduction

## Apache

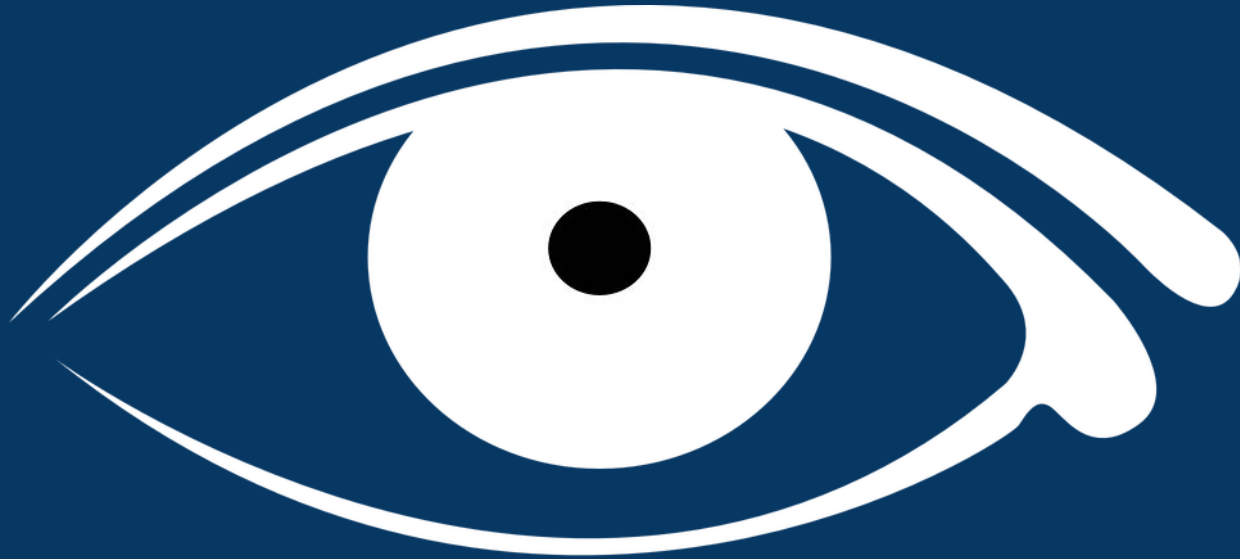
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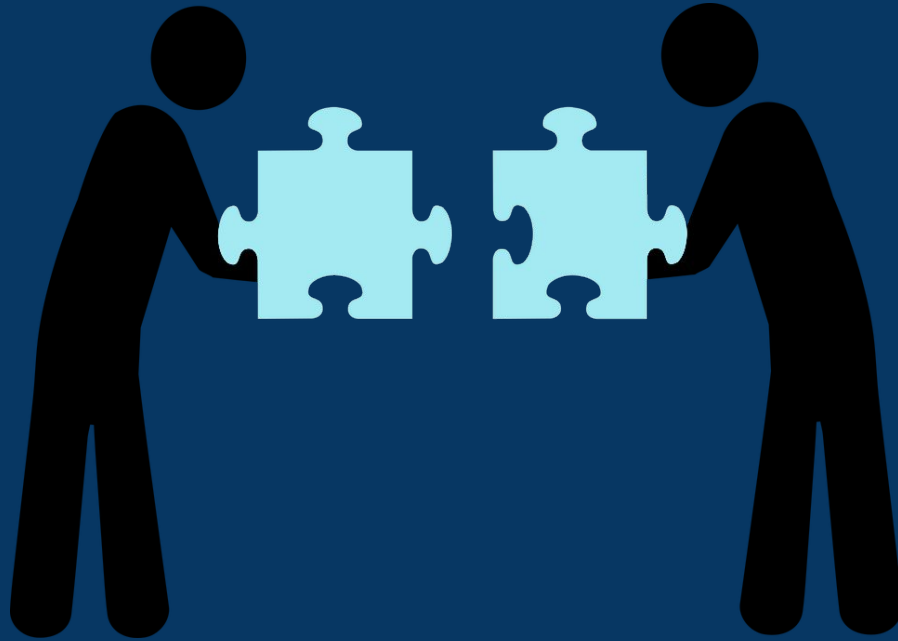
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# Open Source at Apache

# Transparent



# Collaborative



# Meritocratic



# Charitable

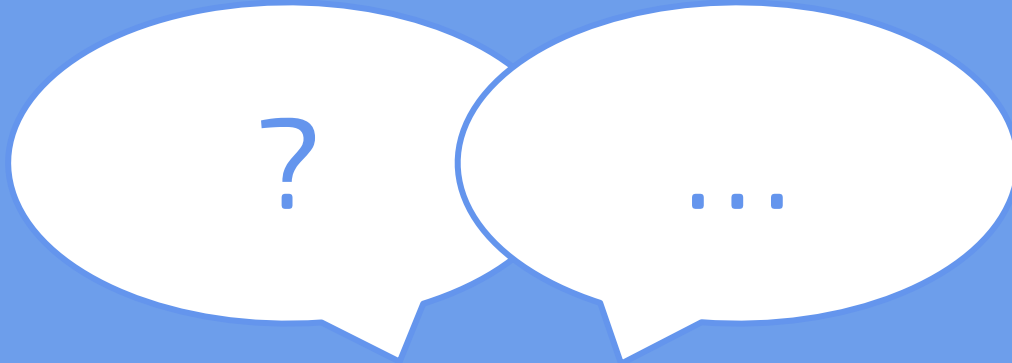


# Pragmatic





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# Quiz

When did Fineract become a top-level project at Apache? ***April 2017***

What does open source enable you to do with Apache Fineract?  
***examine the code, change the code***

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# Requirements

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# Functional

- Accounting (accounts, ledgers, journal entries, transactions, balances)
- Organization (headquarters, branches, employees)
- Customer (name, address, profession, identification)
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- Teller (cash tracking)
- Reporting
- ...

# Non-functional

- Dependability (availability, reliability, safety, integrity and maintainability)
- Auditability
- Multi-tenancy
- Agility (debuggability, extensibility, portability, scalability, securability, testability and understandability)
- Sustainability (energy efficiency, creator efficiency, user efficiency, open source, open API)
- Extensibility
- ...

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# Architecture Patterns

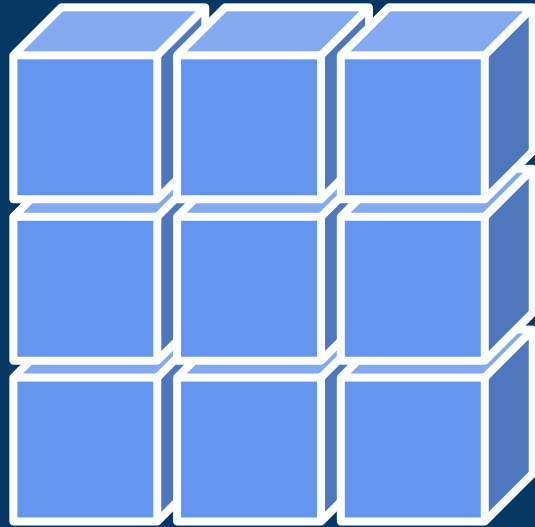
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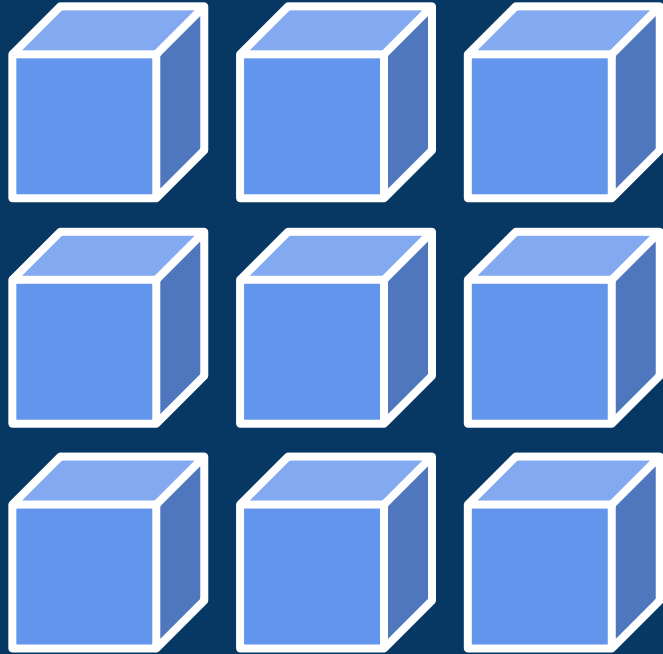
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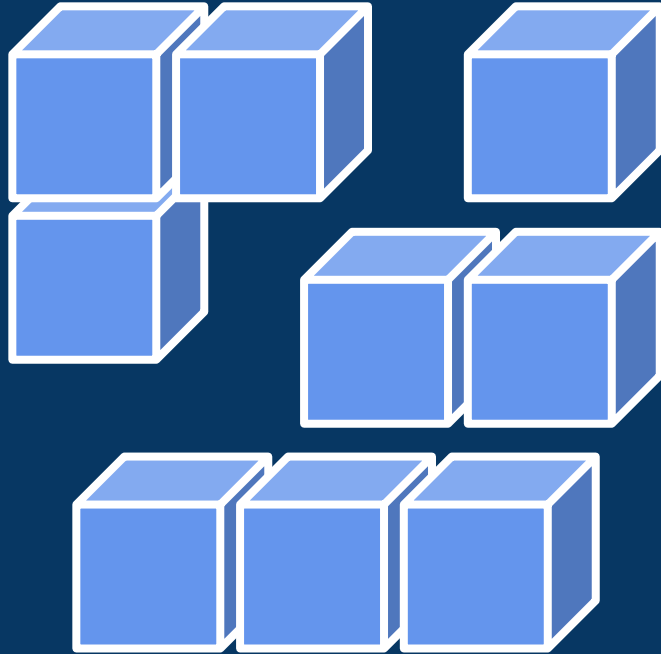




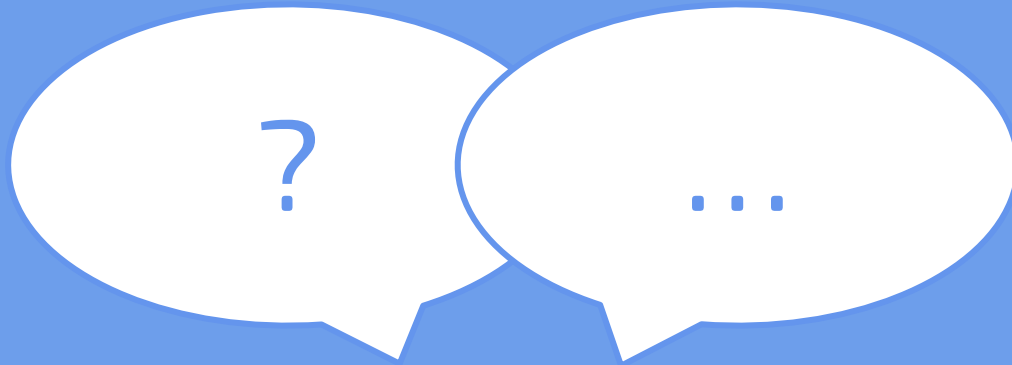




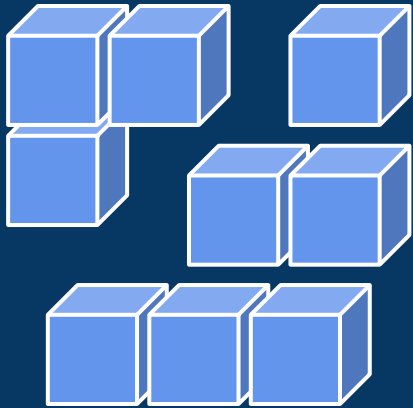


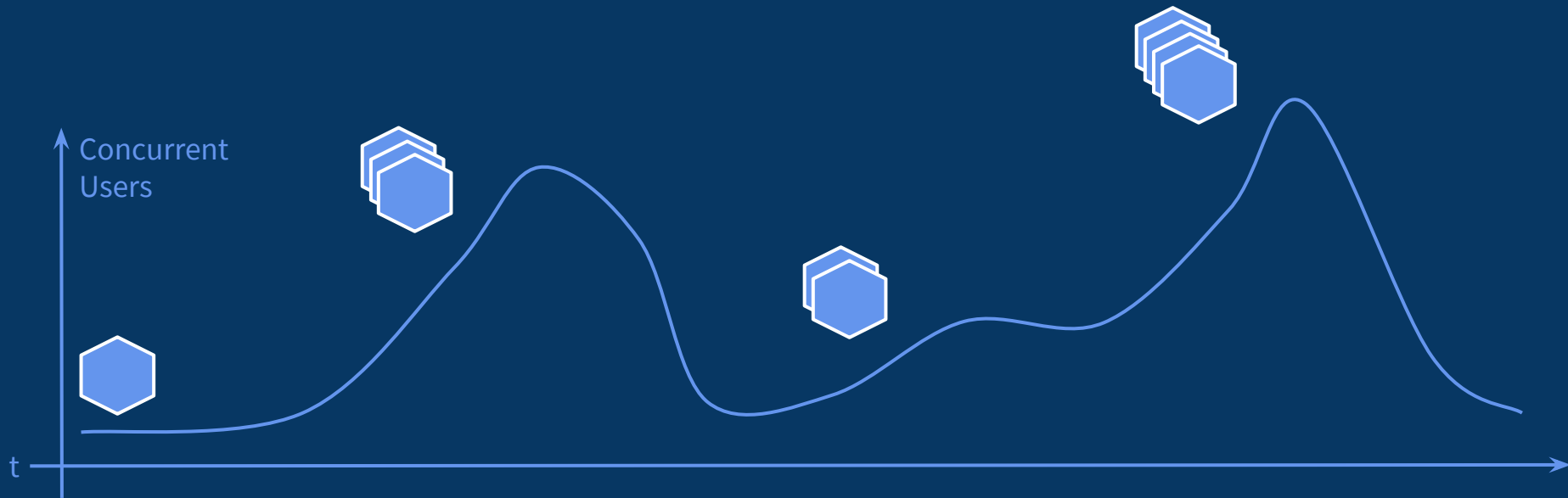


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# REST Microservices

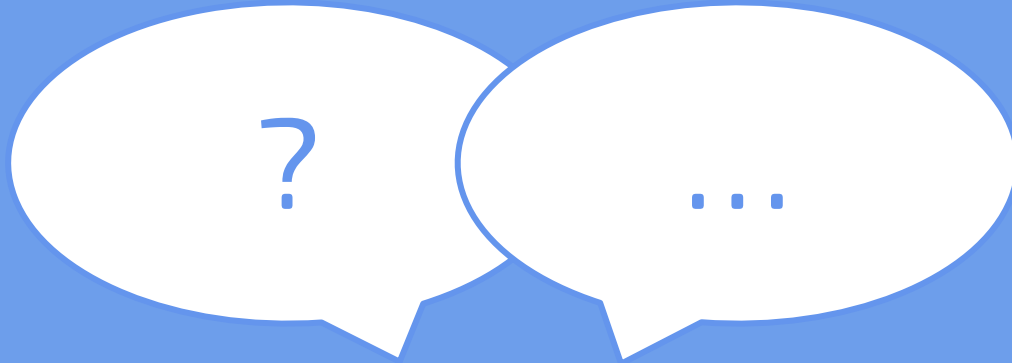




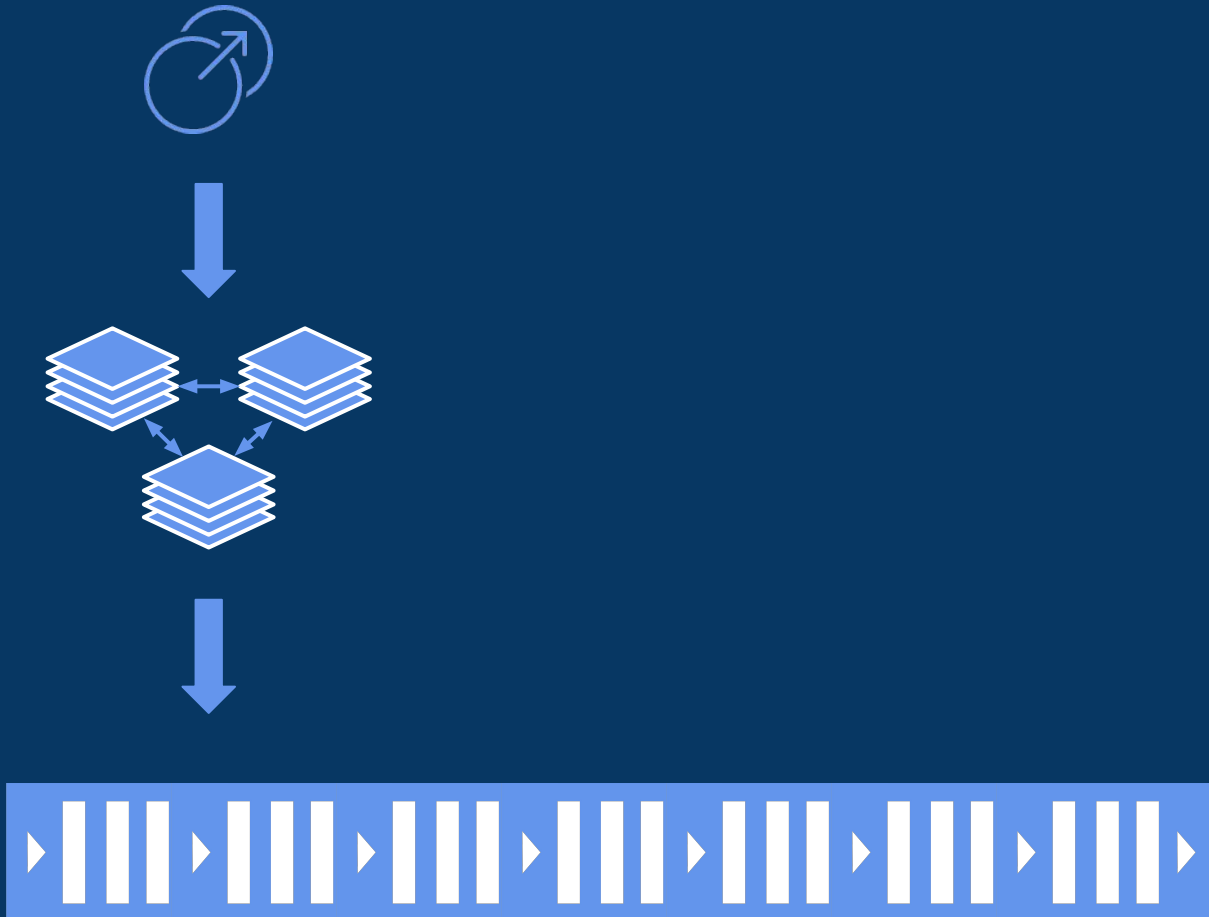


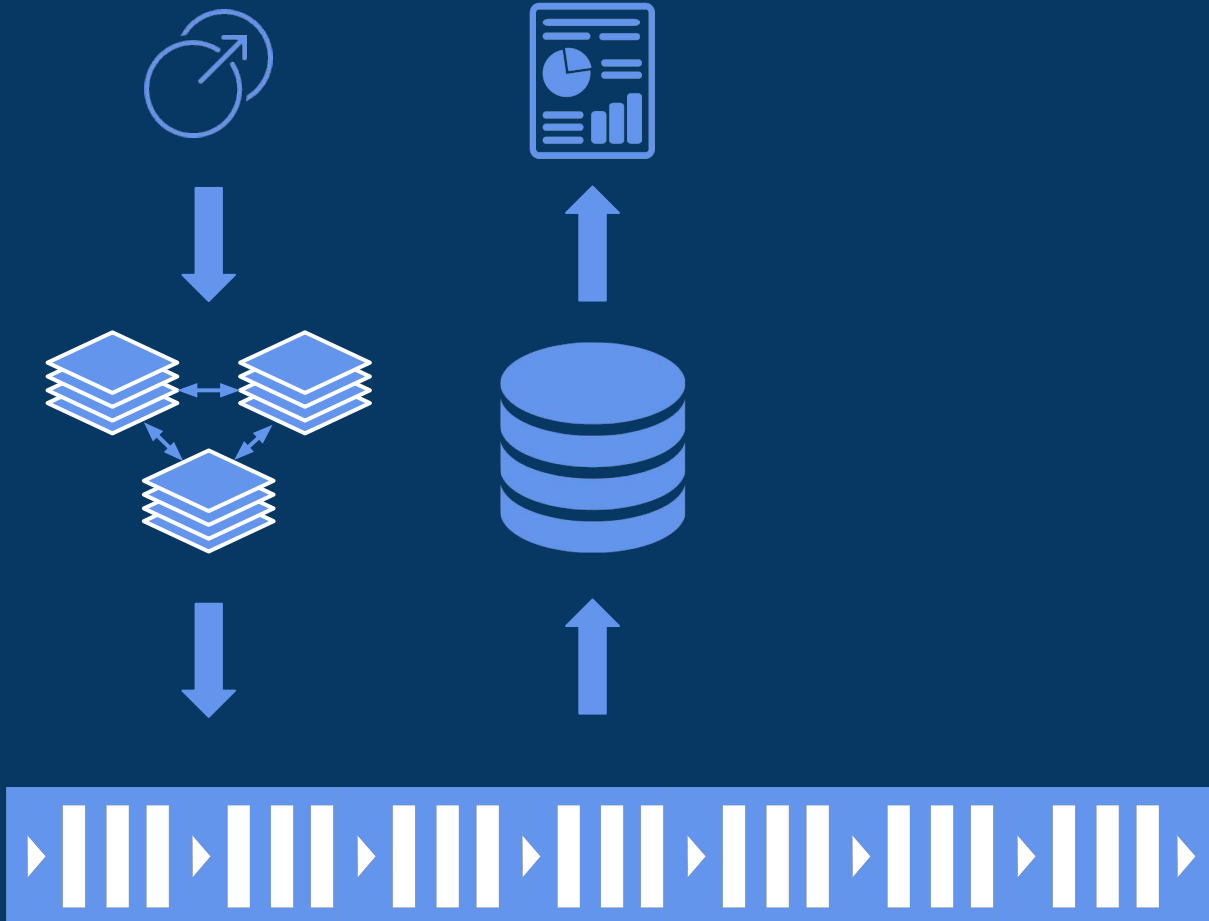


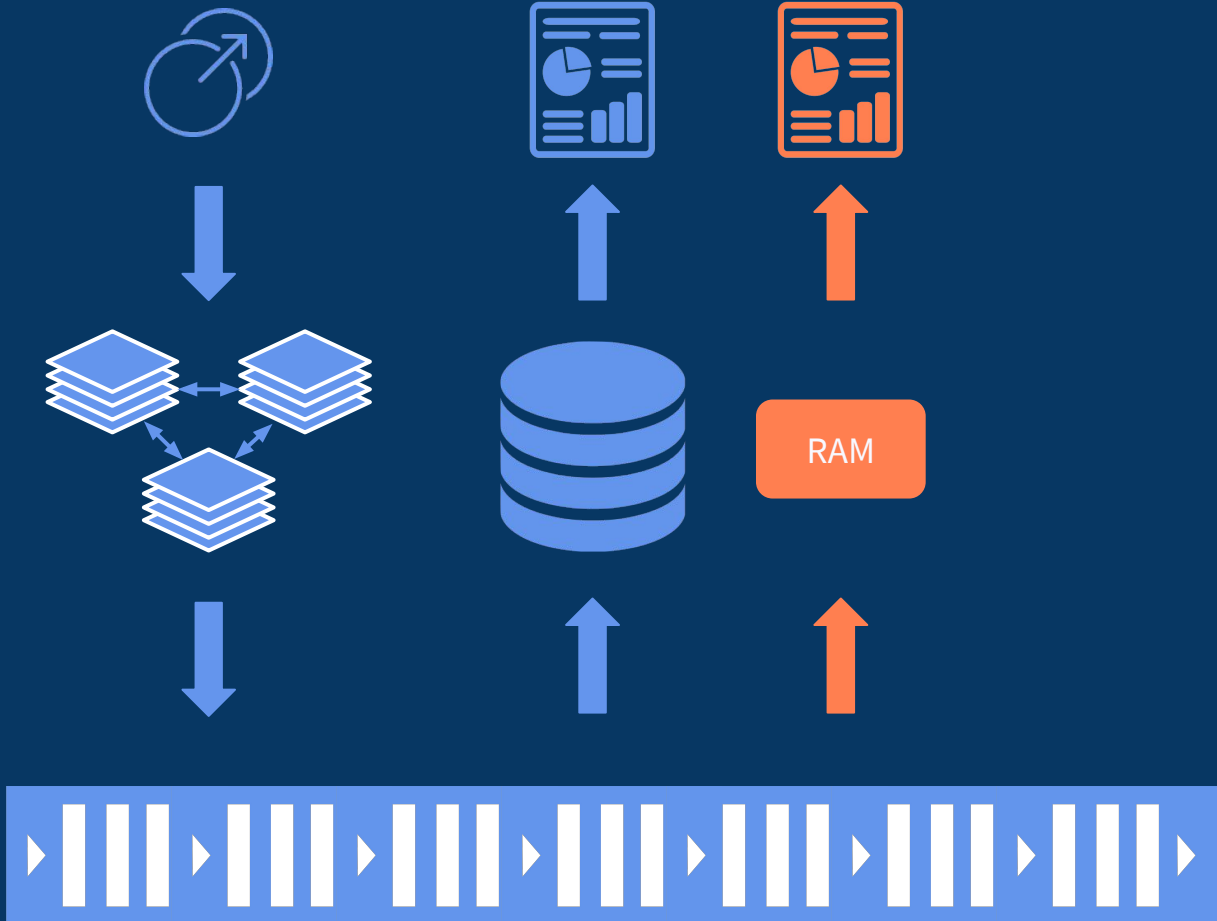
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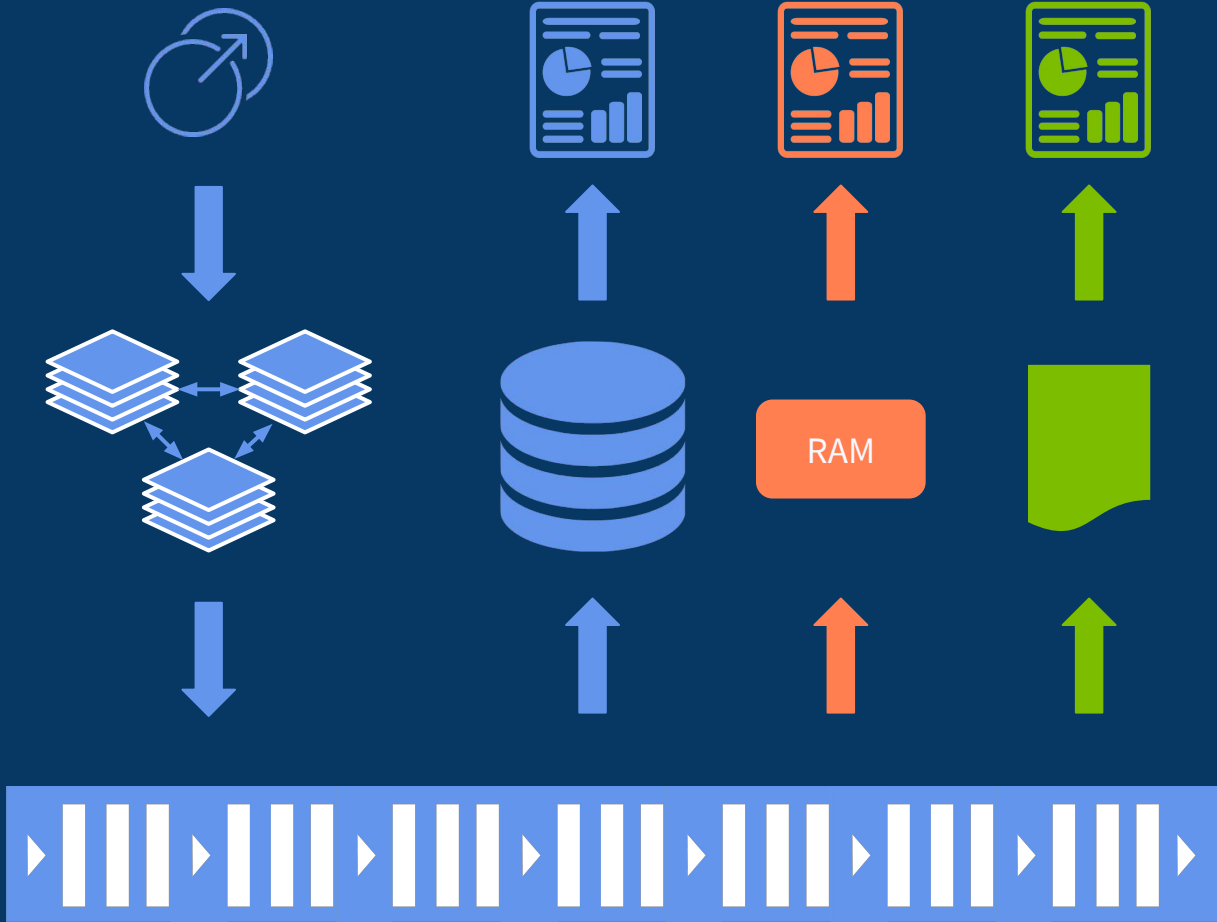


# Event Sourcing



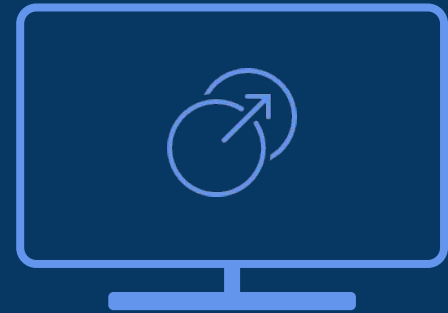




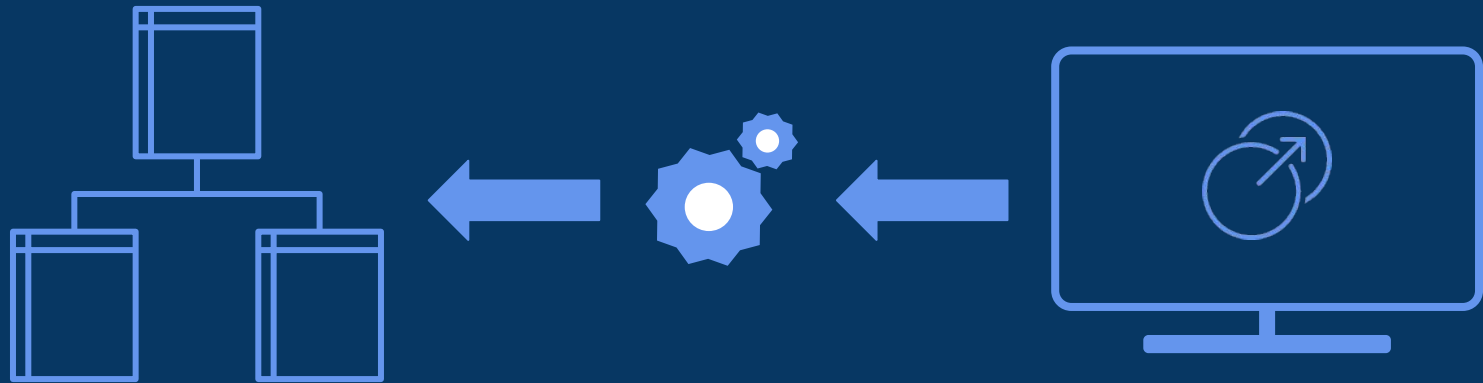


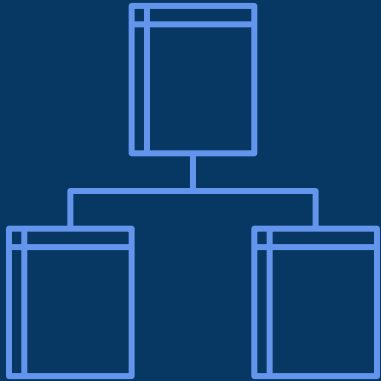
# Command Query Responsibility Segregation (CQRS)

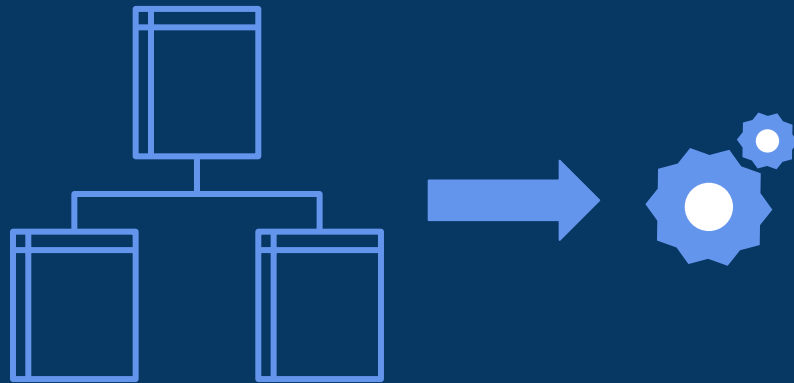


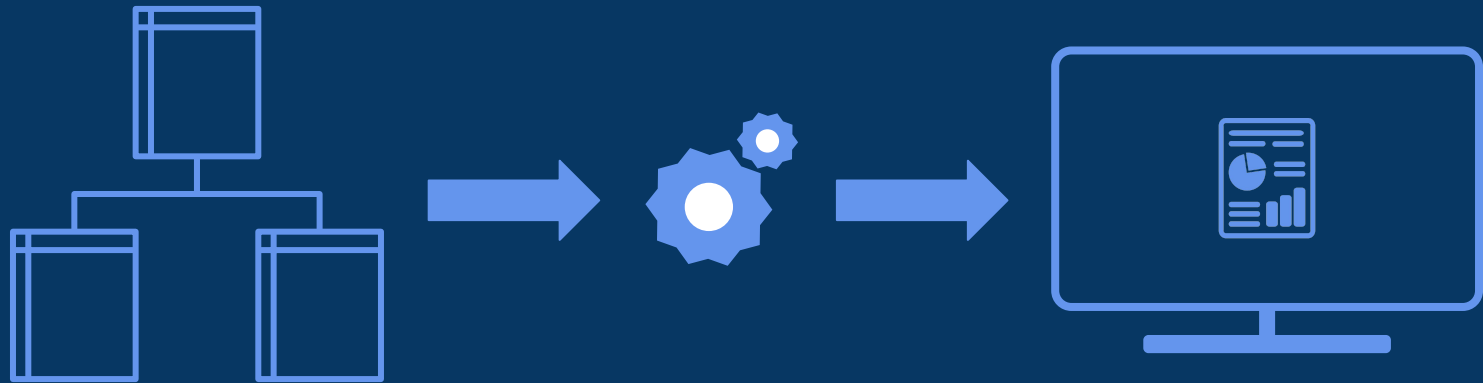








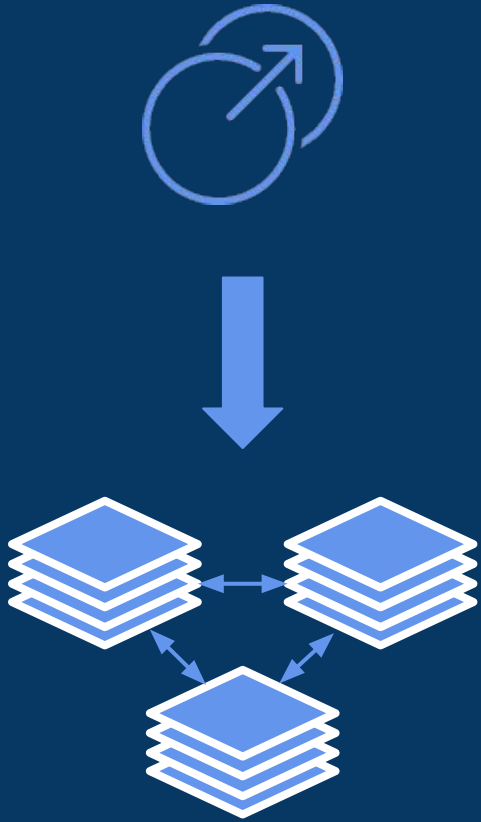


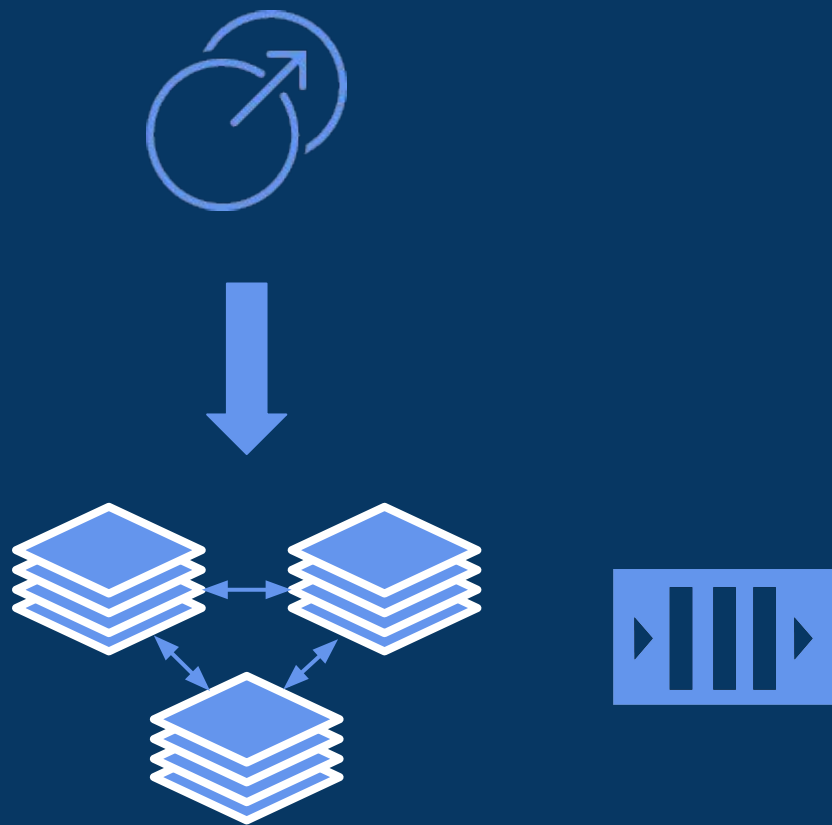




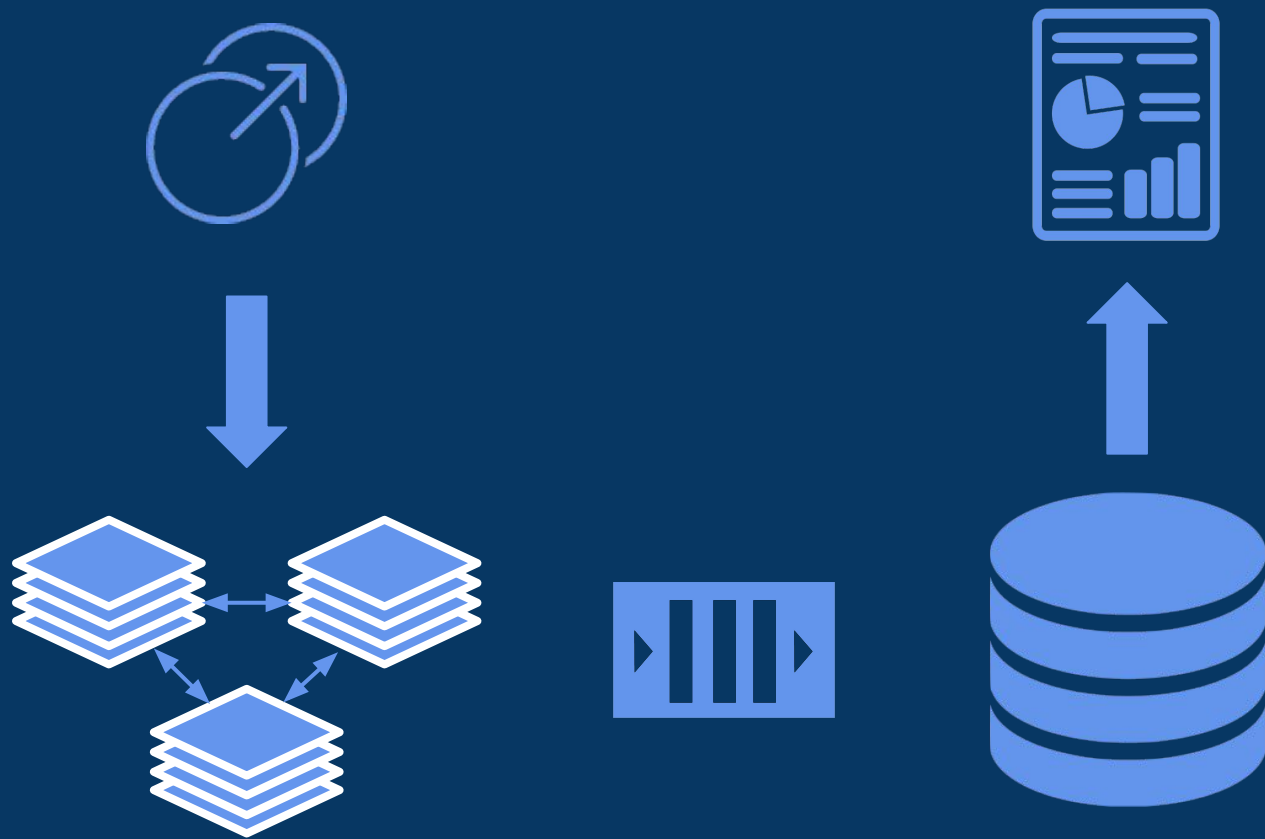


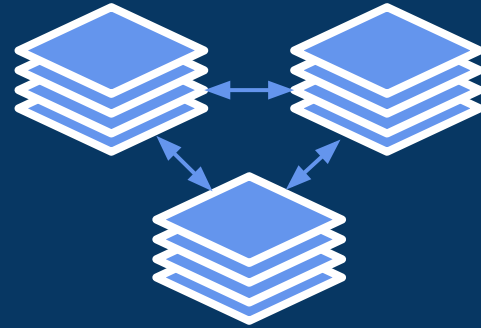
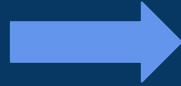






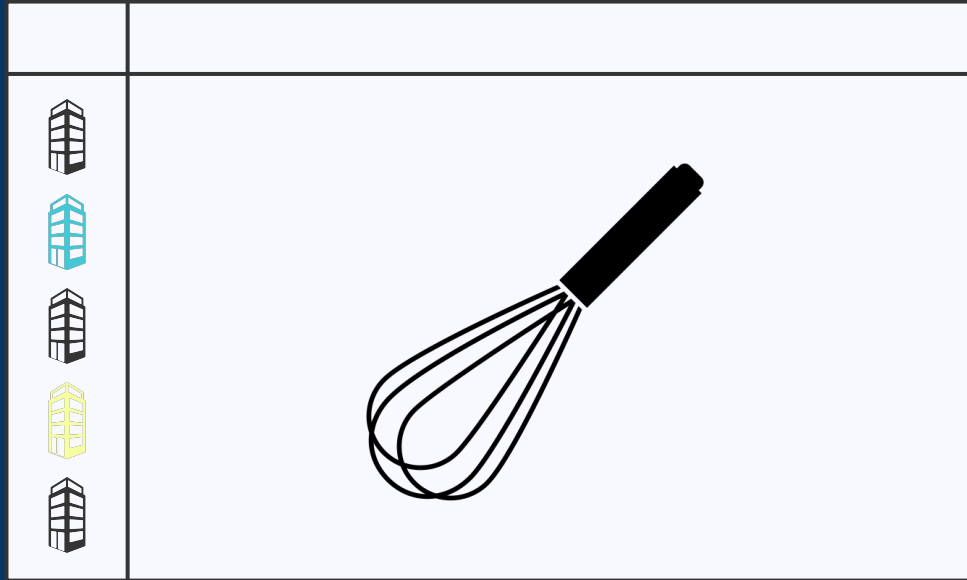






# Multitenancy



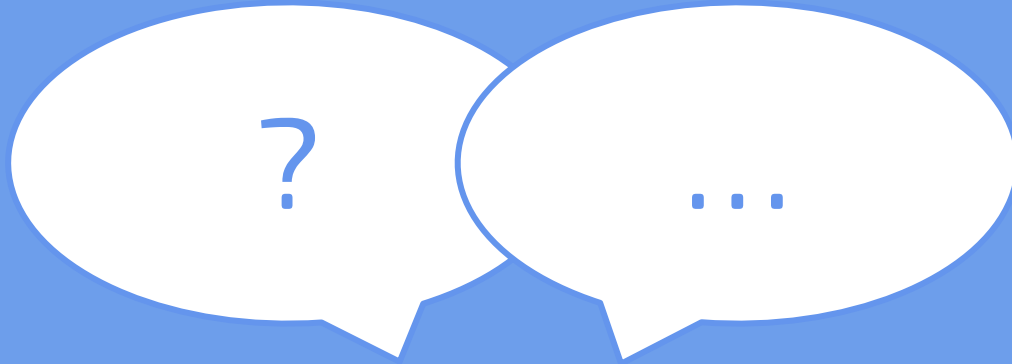








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# **Architecture**

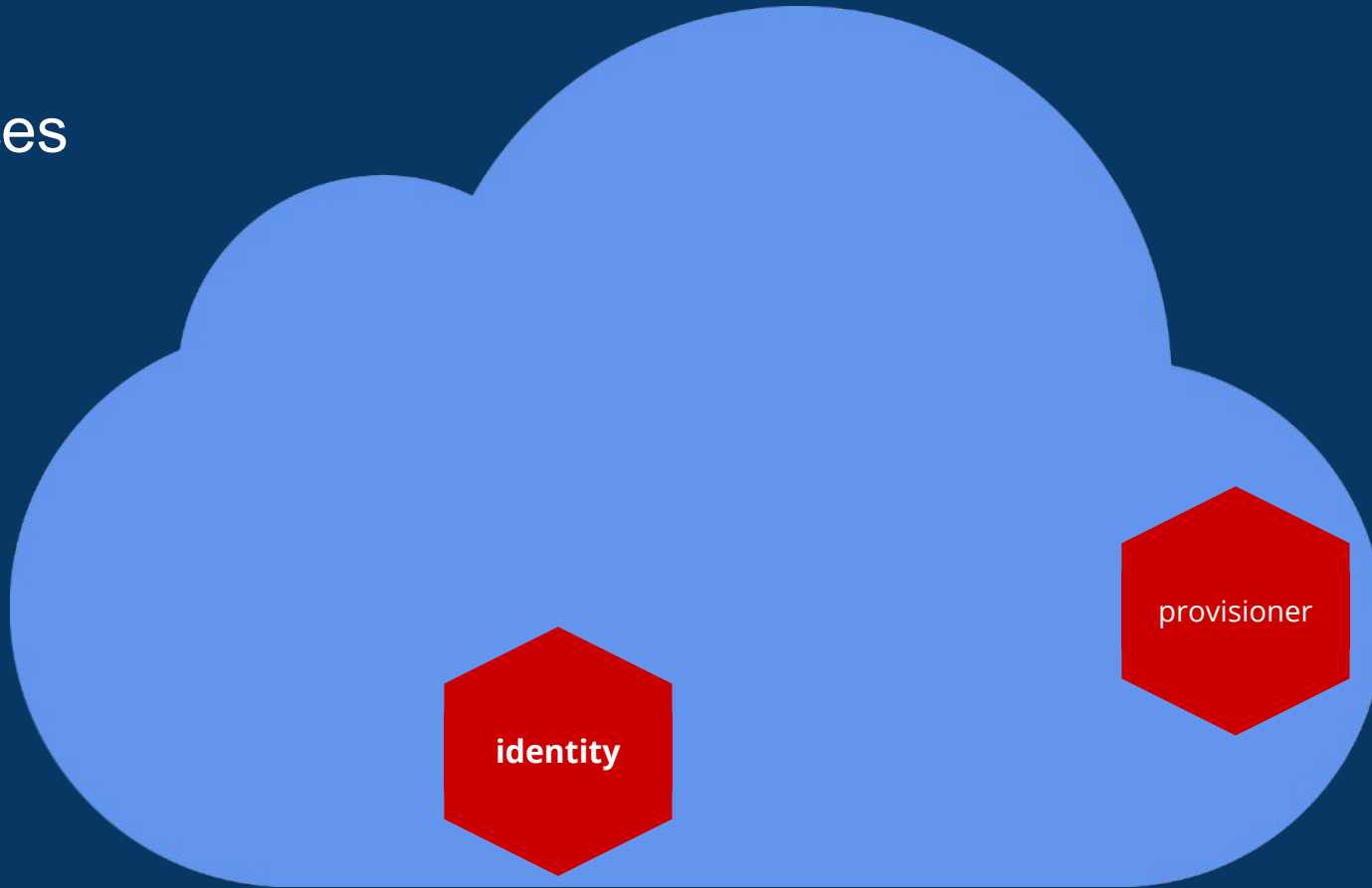
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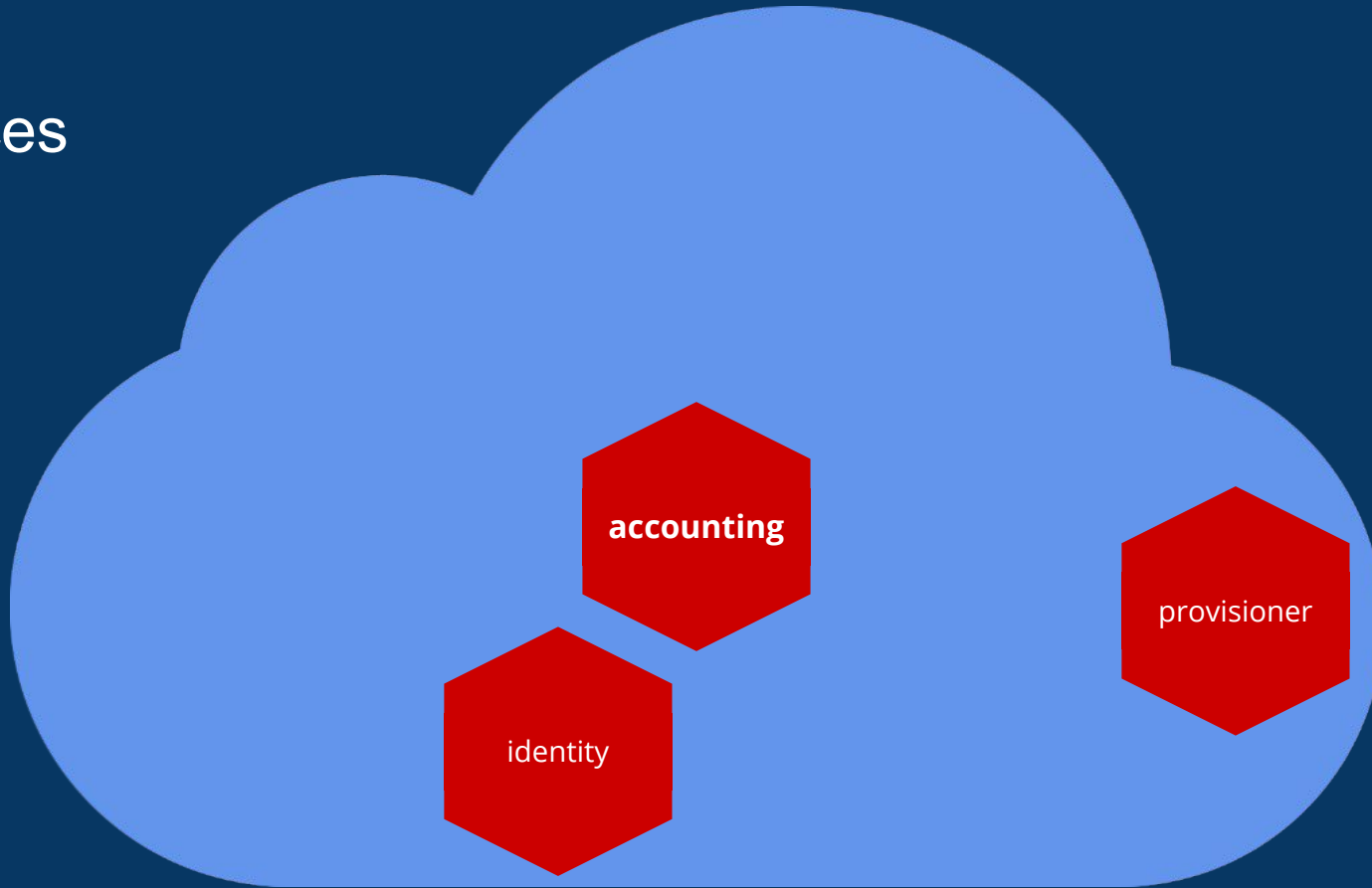
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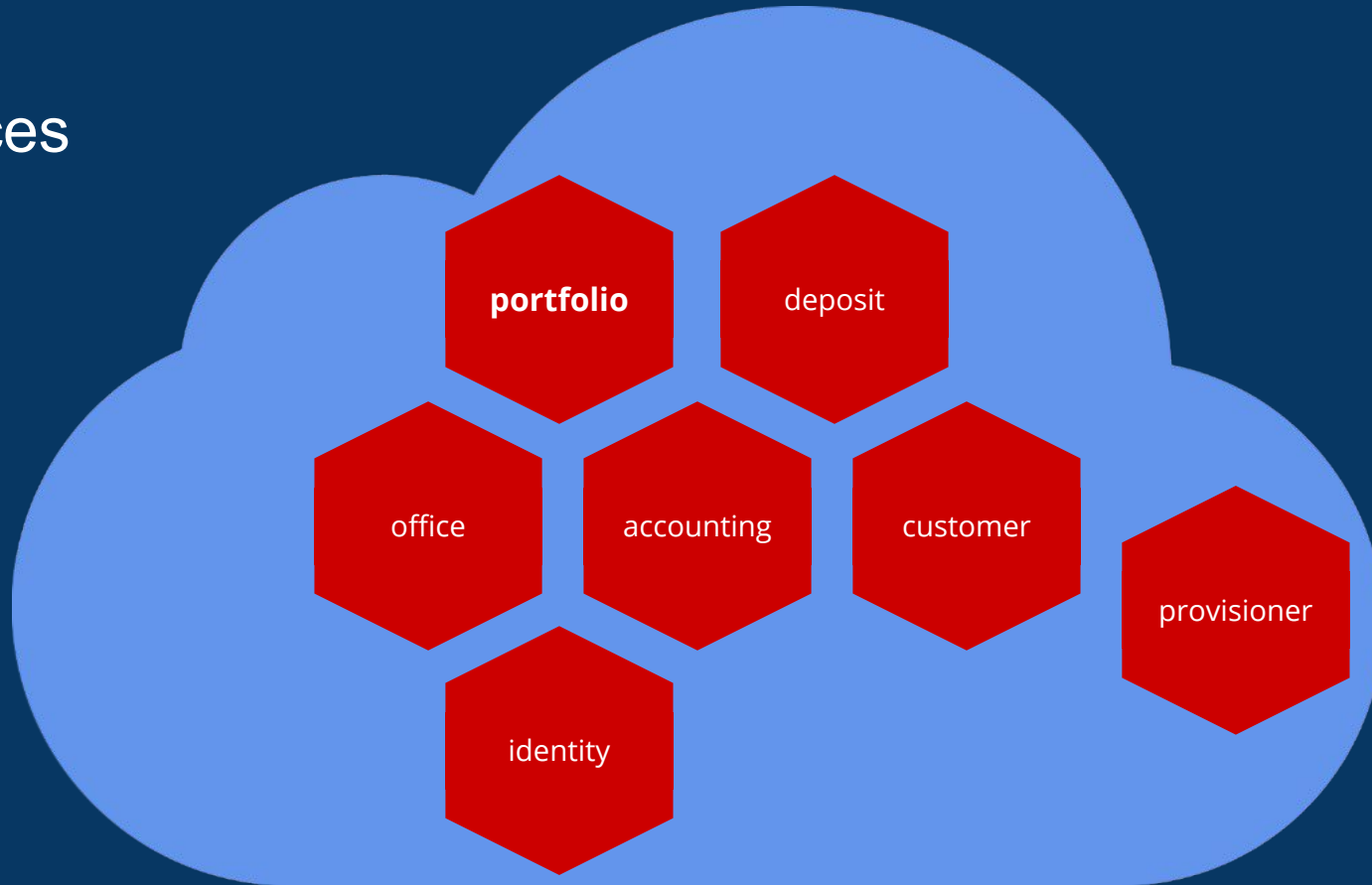
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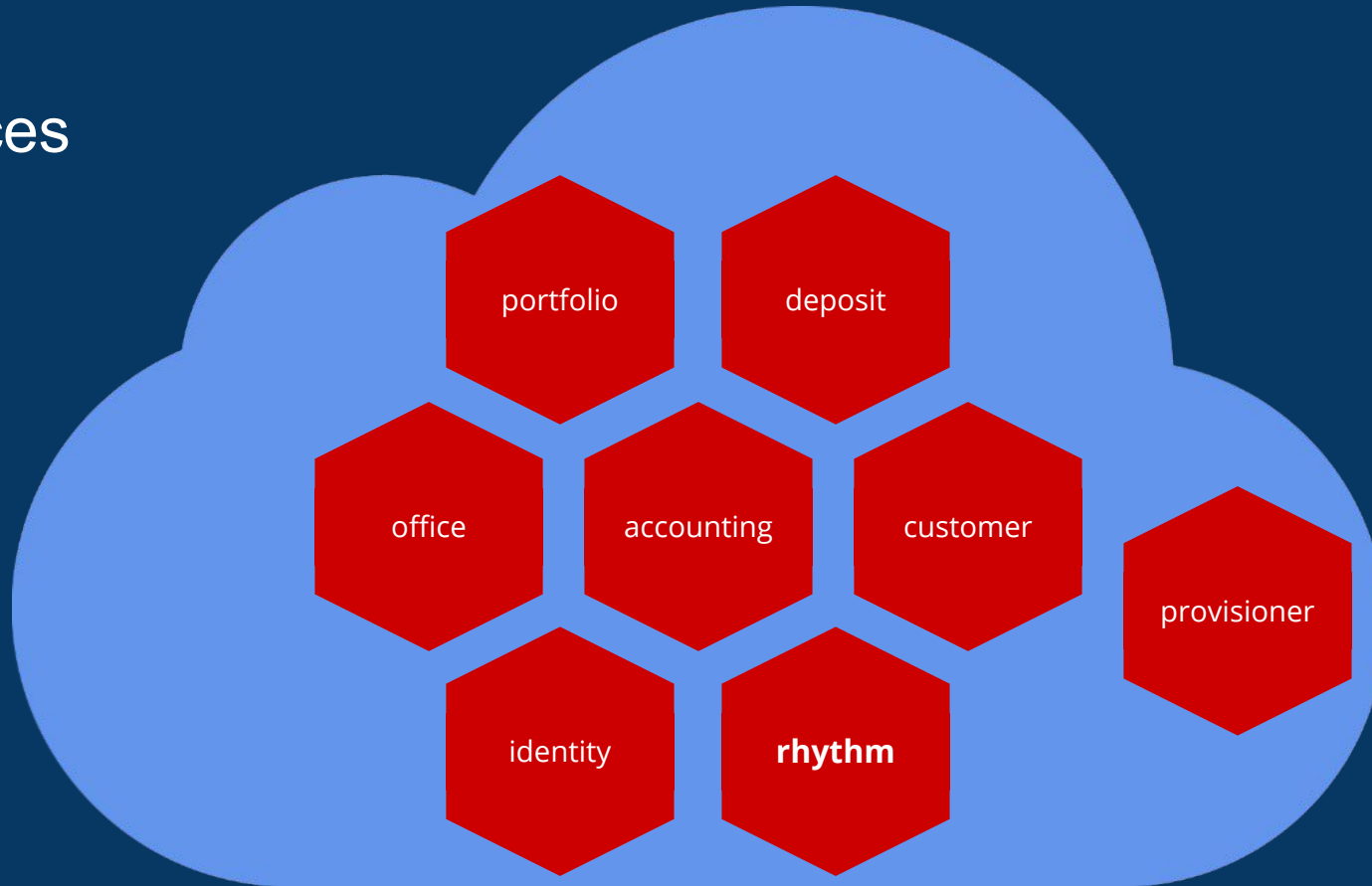
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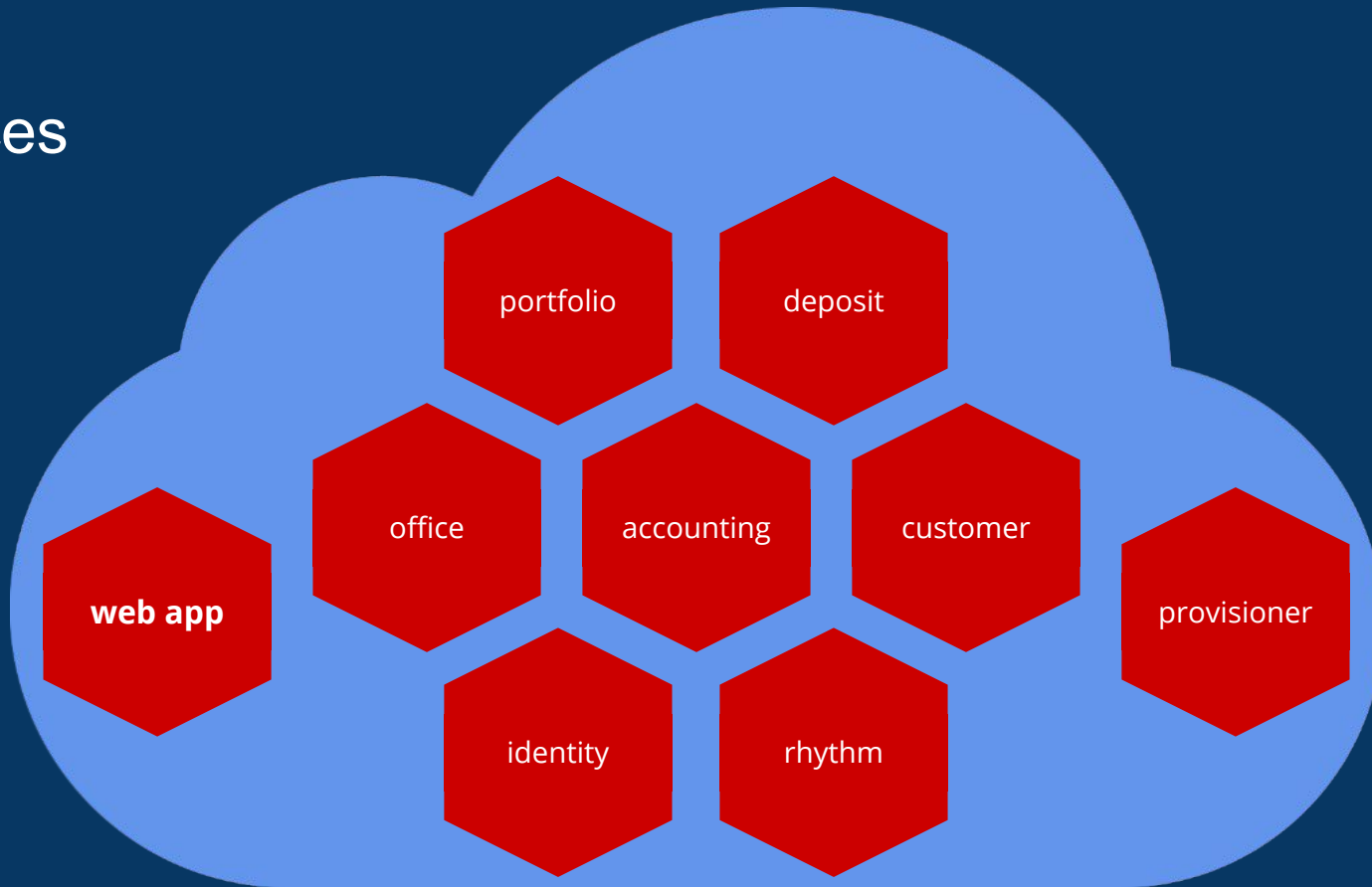
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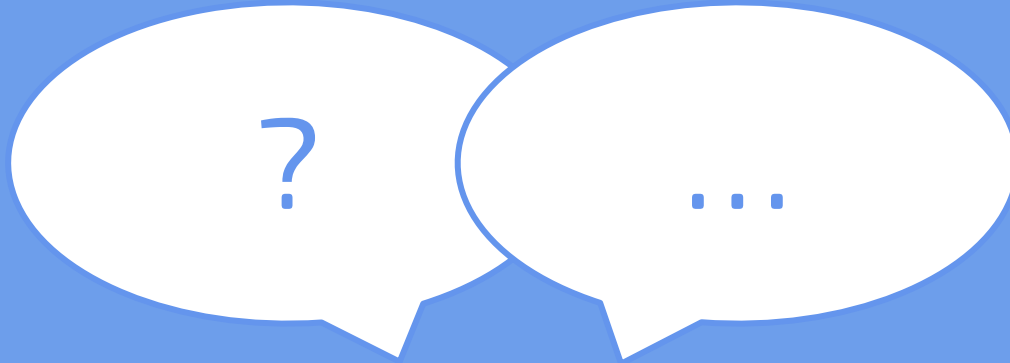
# Services



# Also...

- teller
- payroll
- cheques
- group
- reporting

Questions?



# Quiz

What programming pattern is used to make data changes asynchronously? **CQRS**

What kind of interface does Apache Fineract CN have? **REST**

What major REST microservices is Apache Fineract CN composed of?

***provisioner, identity, rhythm, accounting, customer, office, portfolio, deposit, web-app, ..***



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# Requirements

(revisited)

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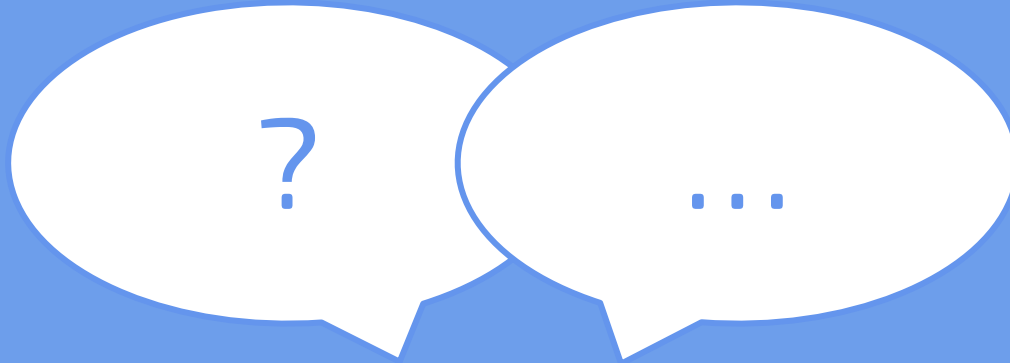
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# Customization

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# Configure

## Use case

*A bank wishes to create an individual loan product for customers who are purchasing tools for their businesses.*

## Expertise Required

*Using a web UI*

# Loan Demo



# Roles

## You

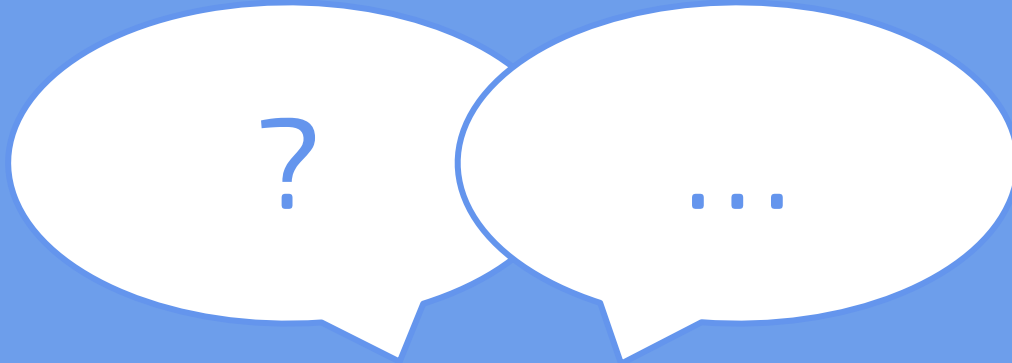
- Create the loan product you want
- Create loans based on it

## Apache Fineract community

- Program the Fineract CN front- and backend



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# Collaborate

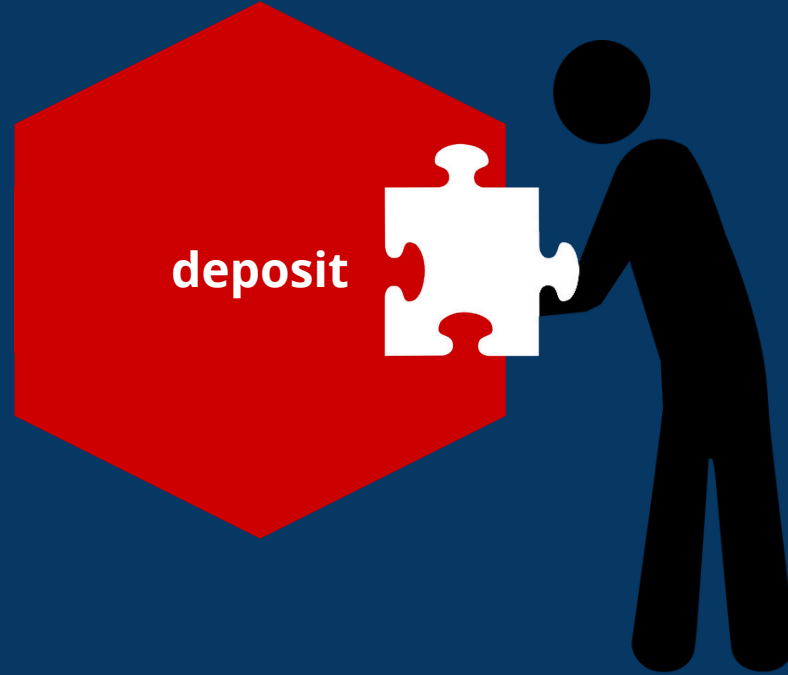
## Use case

*A bank wishes to offer a savings product, for which customers can win prizes.*

## Expertise Required

*Programming in an existing codebase.*

# Collaborate



# Roles

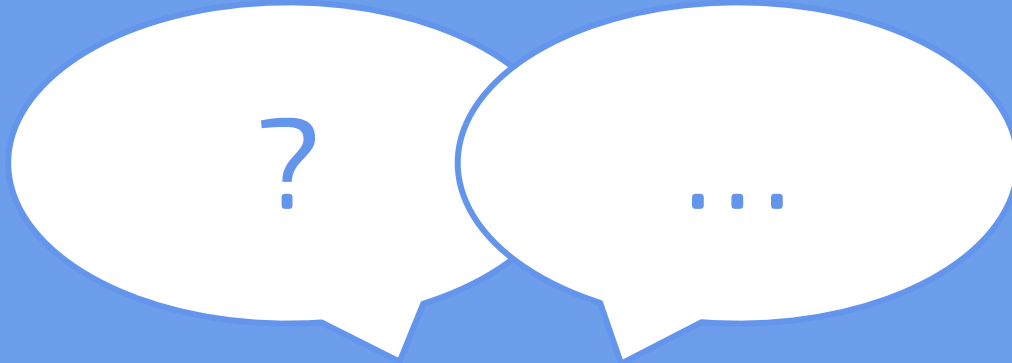
## You

- Submit a pull request via github

## Apache Fineract community

- Review and merge your pull request
- Create a release

Questions?



# Extend

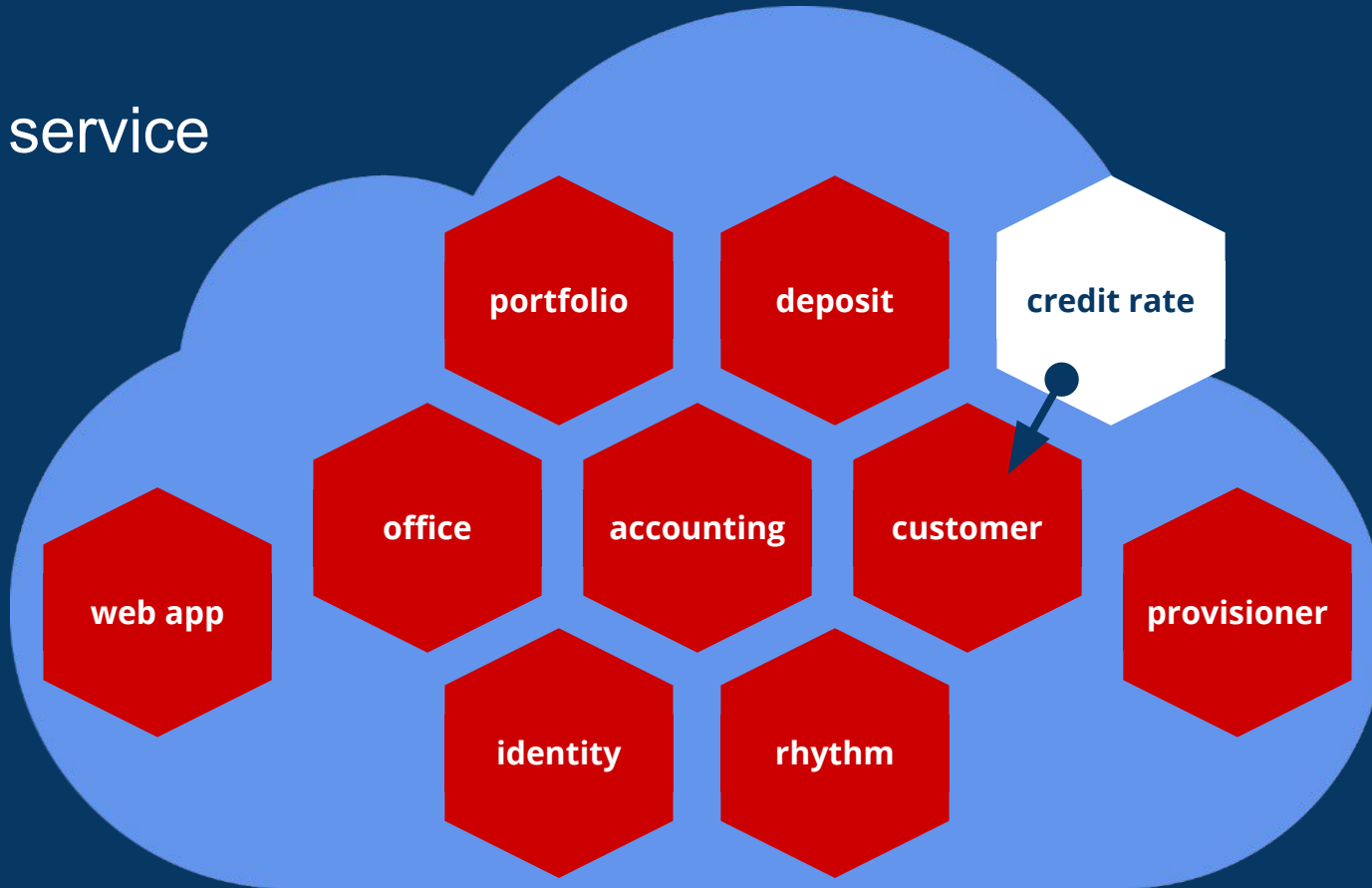
## **Use case**

*A bank wishes to request information from a national credit-ratings agency for new customers.*

## **Expertise Required**

*Programming and maintaining a product*

# Add a service



# Roles

You

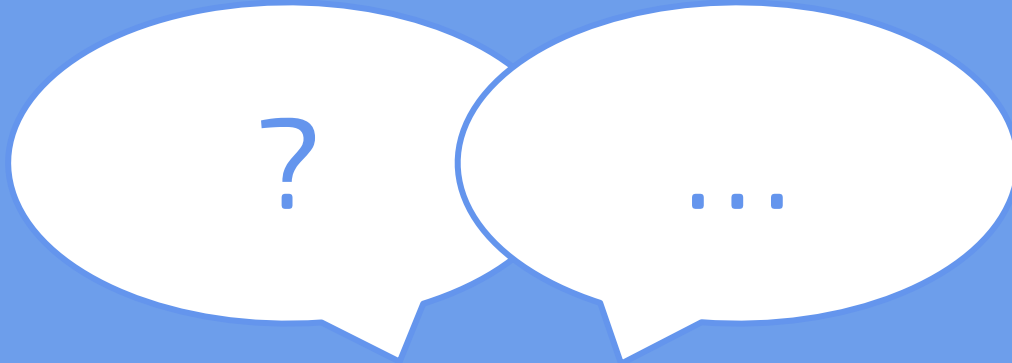
- Create and deploy a (possibly proprietary) service

 Apache Fineract community

- Program the Fineract CN front- and backend



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# Access

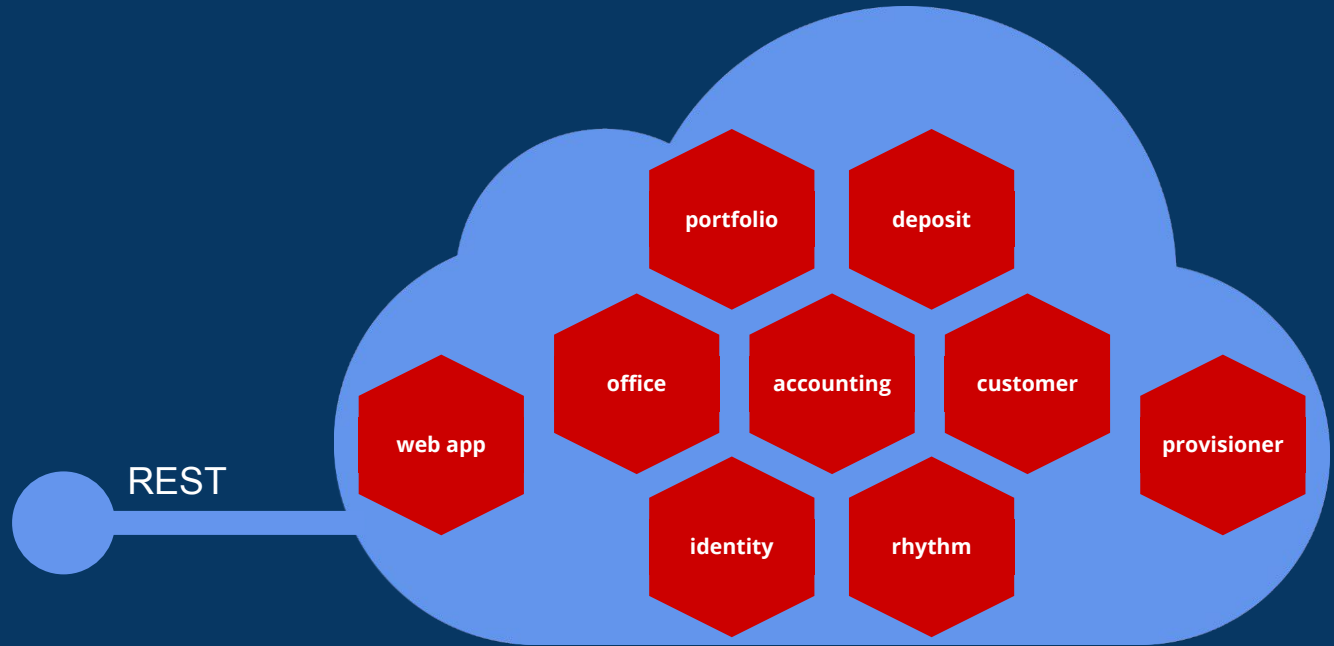
## Use case

*A bank wishes to create a customized mobile application for employees to allow them to manage their own contact information and view their payroll data.*

## Expertise Required

*Programming, maintaining, and deploying a product*

# Use the API



# Roles

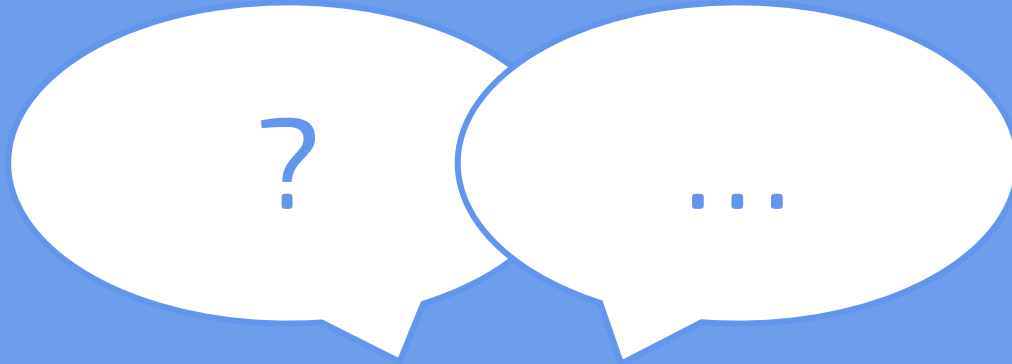
## You

- Create an app
- Deploy the app

## Apache Fineract community

- Program the Fineract CN backend

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# **Code Architecture Overview**

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# Service Internals

- Writing data
- Querying data
- Permissions
- Tenants
- Testing

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# **Code Architecture Writing Data**

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# Writing data

- API
- Command Handlers
- Persistence
- Logging
- Notifications

(core libraries: **api**, **async**, **command**)

# API



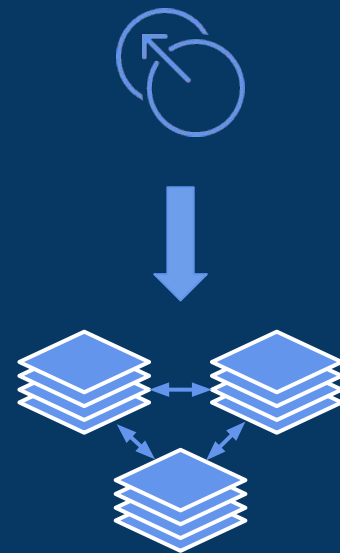
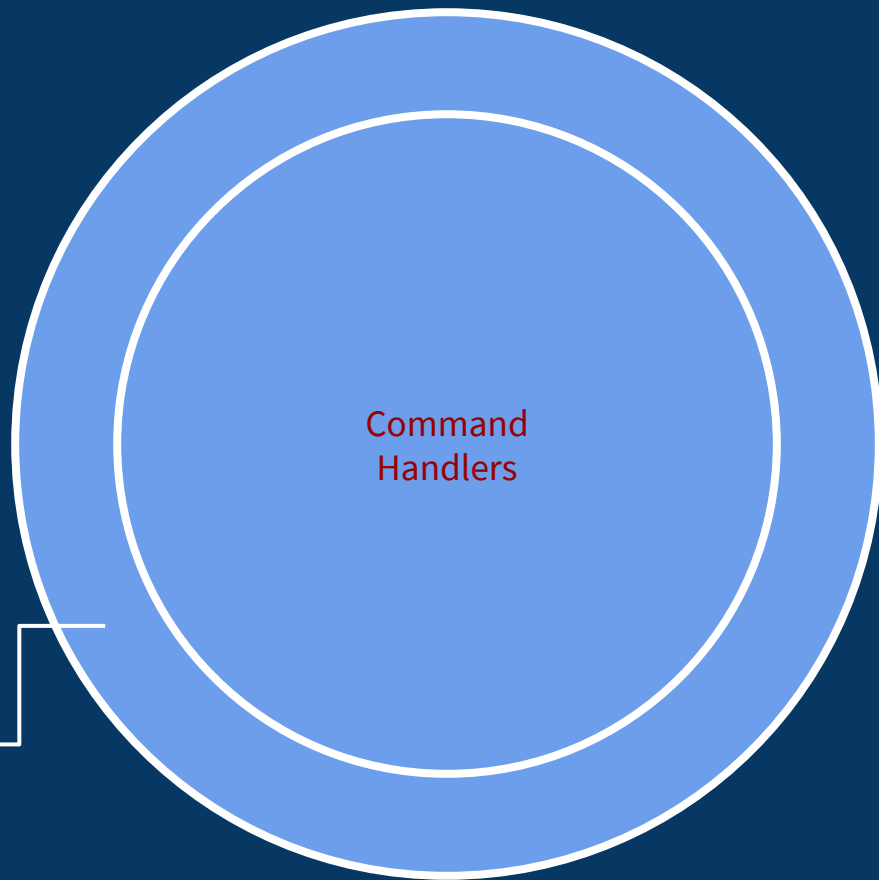
REST API  
(PUT, POST,  
DELETE)

# API - Feign Interface

```
@FeignClient(value = "portfolio-v1", path = "/portfolio/v1")
public interface PortfolioManager {
    @RequestMapping(
        value = "/products/{productidentifier}/cases/",
        method = RequestMethod.POST,
        produces = MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_VALUE,
        consumes = MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_VALUE)
    void createCase(
        @PathVariable("productidentifier") String productIdentifier,
        Case caseInstance);
}
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# Command Handlers

REST API  
(PUT, POST,  
DELETE)



# Command Handlers

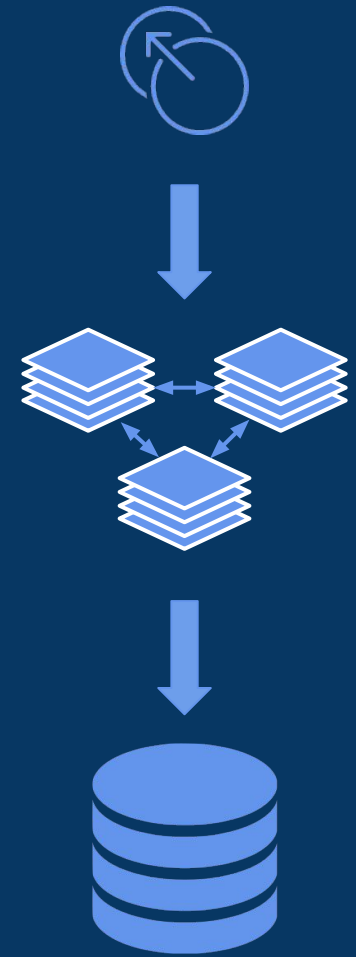
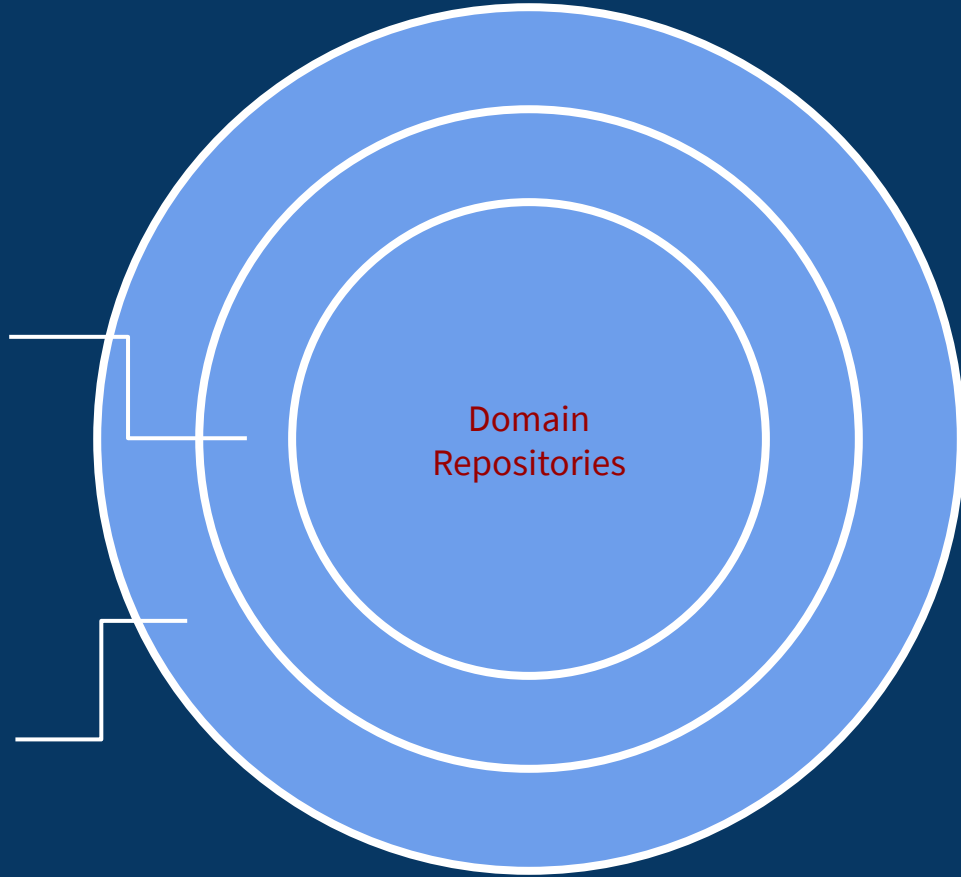
```
@RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.POST)
public @ResponseBody ResponseEntity<Void> createCase(
    @PathVariable("productidentifier") String productIdentifier,
    @RequestBody @Valid Case instance) {
    //...parameter validation

    this.commandGateway.process(new CreateCaseCommand(instance));
    return new ResponseEntity<>(HttpStatus.ACCEPTED);
}
```

# Persistence

Command Handlers

REST API  
(PUT, POST,  
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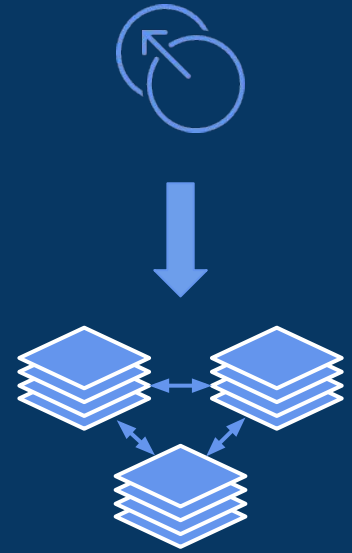
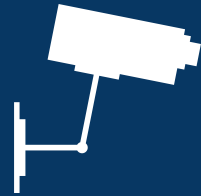
# Persistence

```
@CommandHandler(logStart = INFO, logFinish = INFO)
@EventEmitter(
    selectorName = "action", selectorValue = "post-case")
public CaseEvent process(CreateCaseCommand createCaseCommand) {
    //...parameter validation
    //...map domain object to jpa object.

    this.caseRepository.save(...);
    return new CaseEvent(productIdentifier, caseIdentifier);
}
```

# Logging

- Sent before handler called
- Sent after handler completes





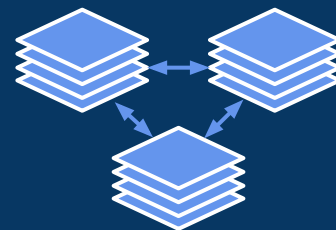
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# Notifications

- Notification after handler completes successfully
- Asynchronous
- Transports data coordinates



Active MQ



## Notifications - Emit

```
@CommandHandler(logStart = INFO, logFinish = INFO)
@EventEmitter(
    selectorName = "action", selectorValue = "post-case")
public CaseEvent process(CreateCaseCommand createCaseCommand) {
    //...parameter validation
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    this.caseRepository.save(...);
    return new CaseEvent(productIdentifier, caseIdentifier);
}
```

## Notifications - Receive

```
@JmsListener(  
    subscription = "portfolio-v1",  
    destination = "portfolio-v1",  
    selector = "action = 'post-case'")  
public void onCreateCase(  
    @Header("X-Tenant-Identifier") String tenant,  
    String payload) {  
    CaseEvent caseEvent  
        = this.gson.fromJson(payload, CaseEvent.class);  
  
    //...application specific logic  
}
```

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# **Code Architecture Querying Data**

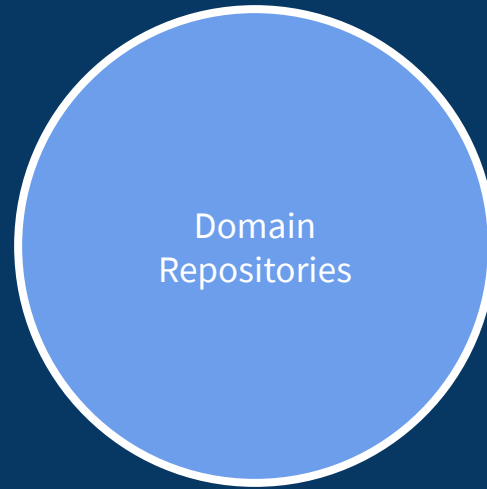
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# Querying data

- Persistence
- Mapping
- API

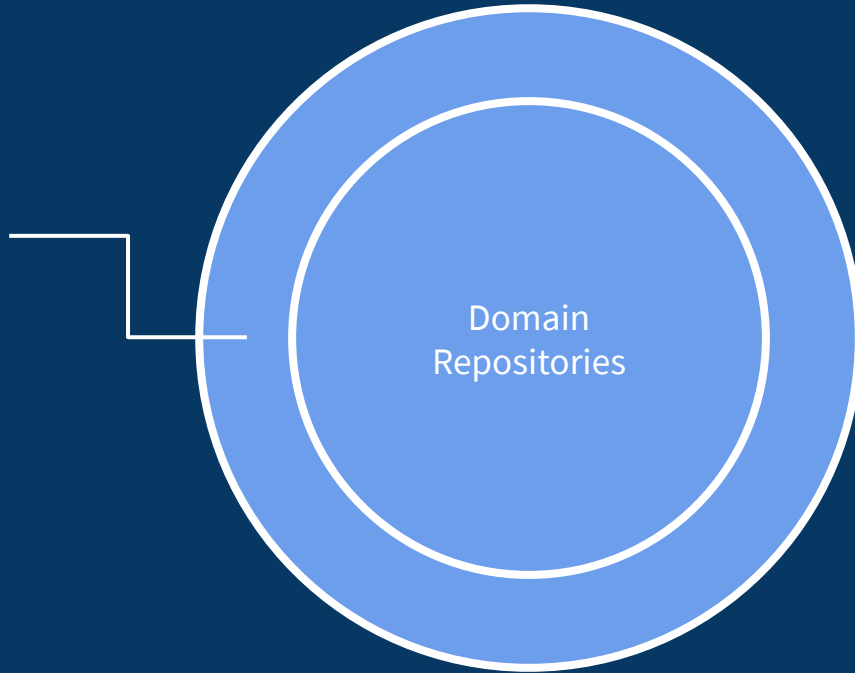
(core libraries: **mariadb**, **data-jpa**, **api**)

# Persistence



# Mapping

Application Services

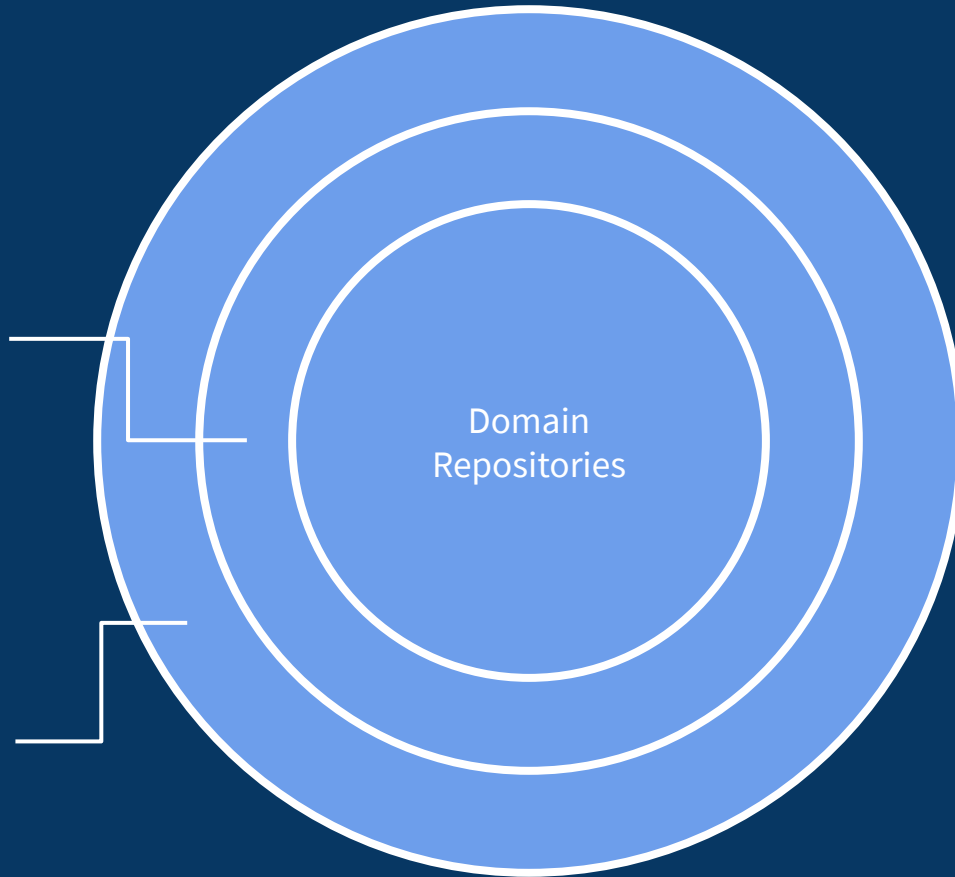




# API

Application Services

REST API  
(GET)



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# **Code Architecture Permissions**

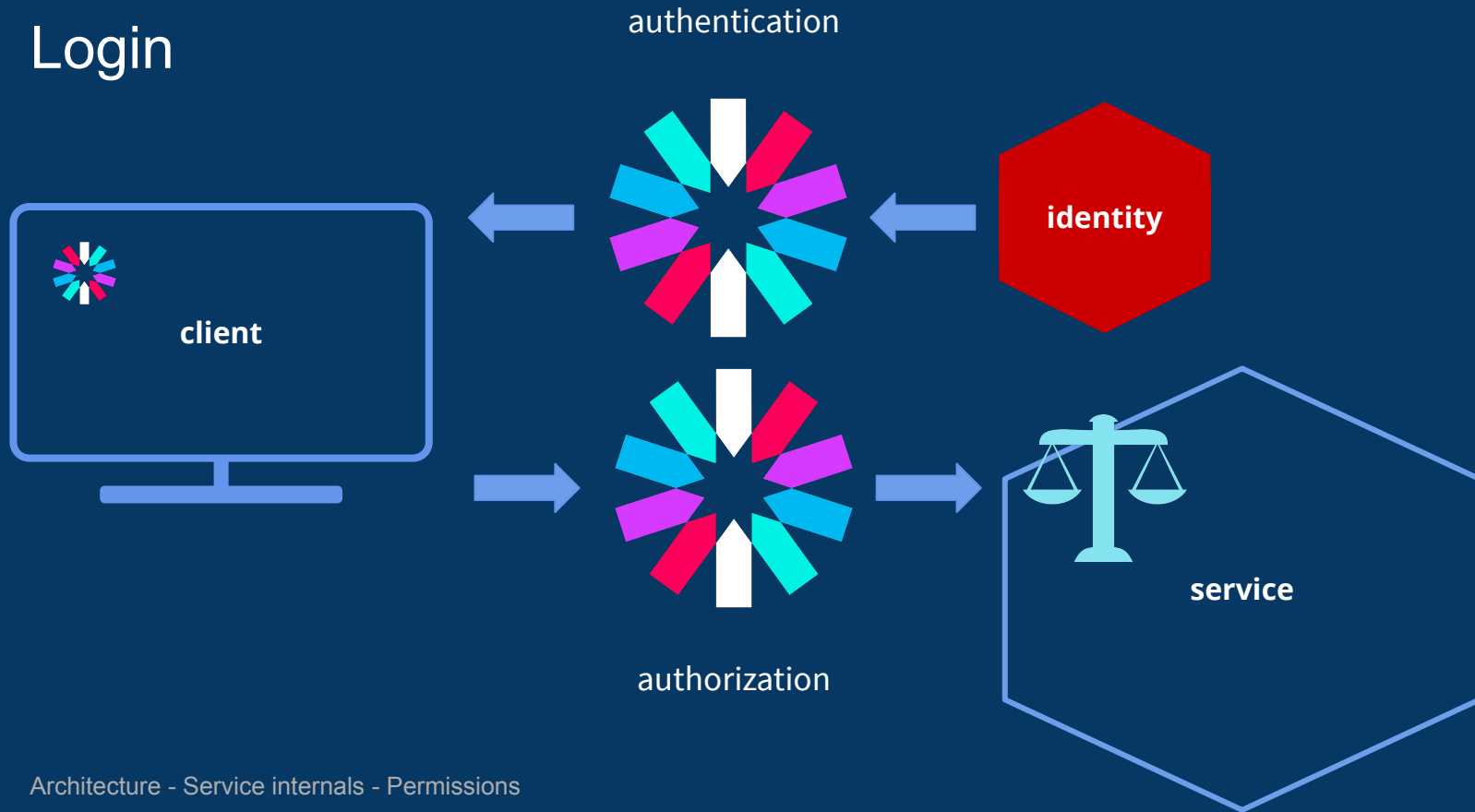
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# Permissions

- Login
- Permission definition
- Token types

(core libraries: **anubis**, **anubis-test**, **permitted-feign-client**)

# Login

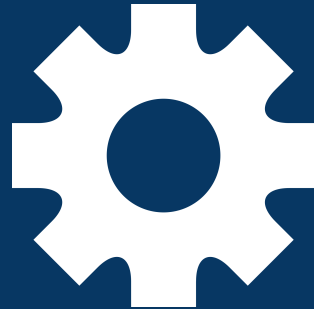


## Permission Definition

```
@Permittable(value = AcceptedTokenType.TENANT,  
             groupId = PermittableGroupIds.CASE_MANAGEMENT)  
@RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.POST)  
public @ResponseBody ResponseEntity<Void> createCase(  
    @PathVariable("productidentifier") String productIdentifier,  
    @RequestBody @Valid Case instance) {  
    //...  
}
```

# Token Types

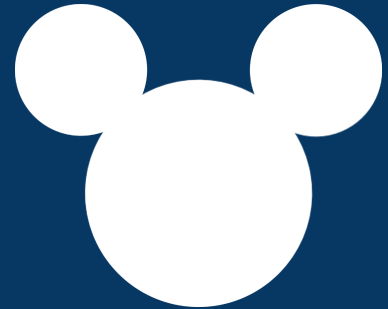
**SYSTEM**



**TENANT  
(user)**



**GUEST**



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# **Code Architecture Multi-tenancy**

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# Tenants

- Provisioning
- Thread context
- Request header

(core libraries: lang, cassandra, mariadb)



# Provisioning



Tenant  
Montego Bay Co-op

# Provisioning



Database  
Swiss Bank



Database  
Deutsche Bank

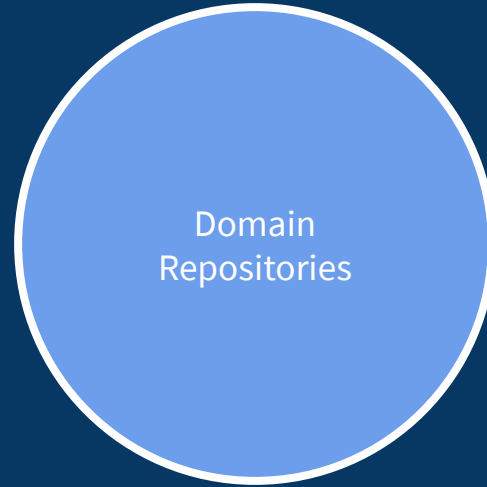


Database  
Montego Bay Co-op

# Thread Context



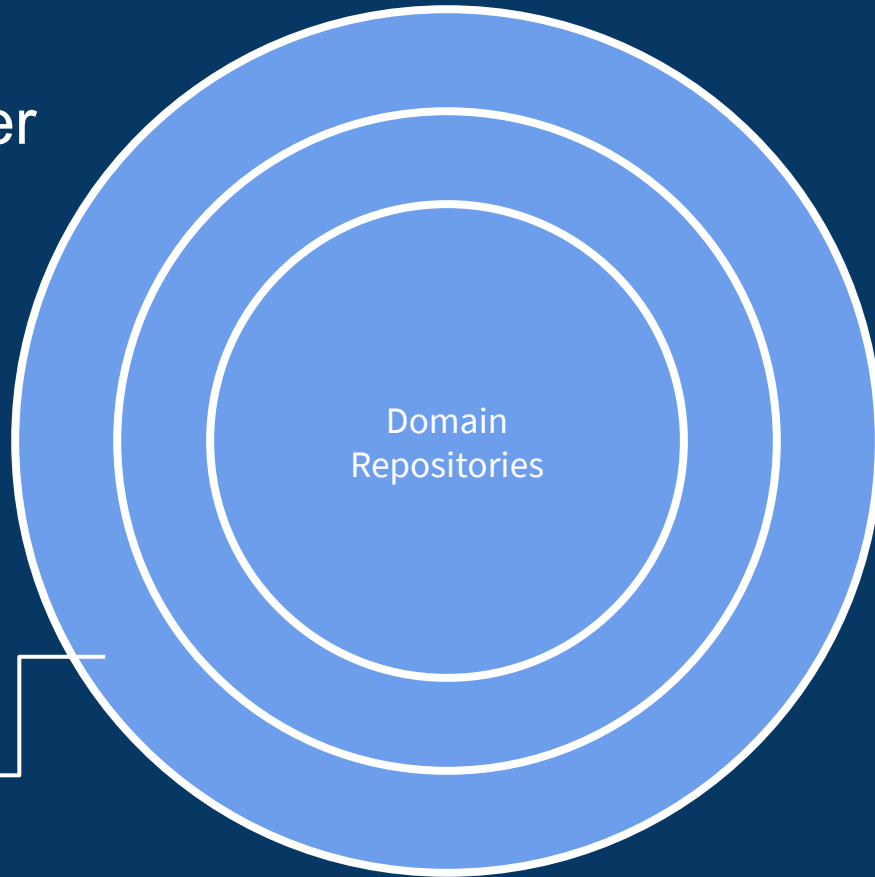
TenantContextHolder  
= Montego Bay Co-op



# Request Header



REST header:  
X-Tenant-Identifier =  
"Montego Bay Co-op"



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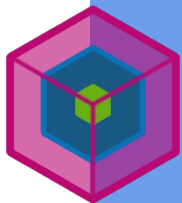
# **Code Architecture Quality Assurance**

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# Quality Assurance

- Testing code quality (findbugs, code reviews)
- Testing domain object validation (unit tests)
- Testing specific logic (unit tests)
- Testing a service (component tests)
- Testing service interactions (integration tests)

(core libraries: **test**, **anubis-test**, **service-starter**)



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# Tools

- Spring
- MariaDB/PostgreSQL
- Cassandra
- ActiveMQ
- AngularJS
- Eureka
- Feign
- JWT
- Junit + Mockito