

Self-contained Systems: A Different Approach to Microservices





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Microservices Primer

A Short Overview

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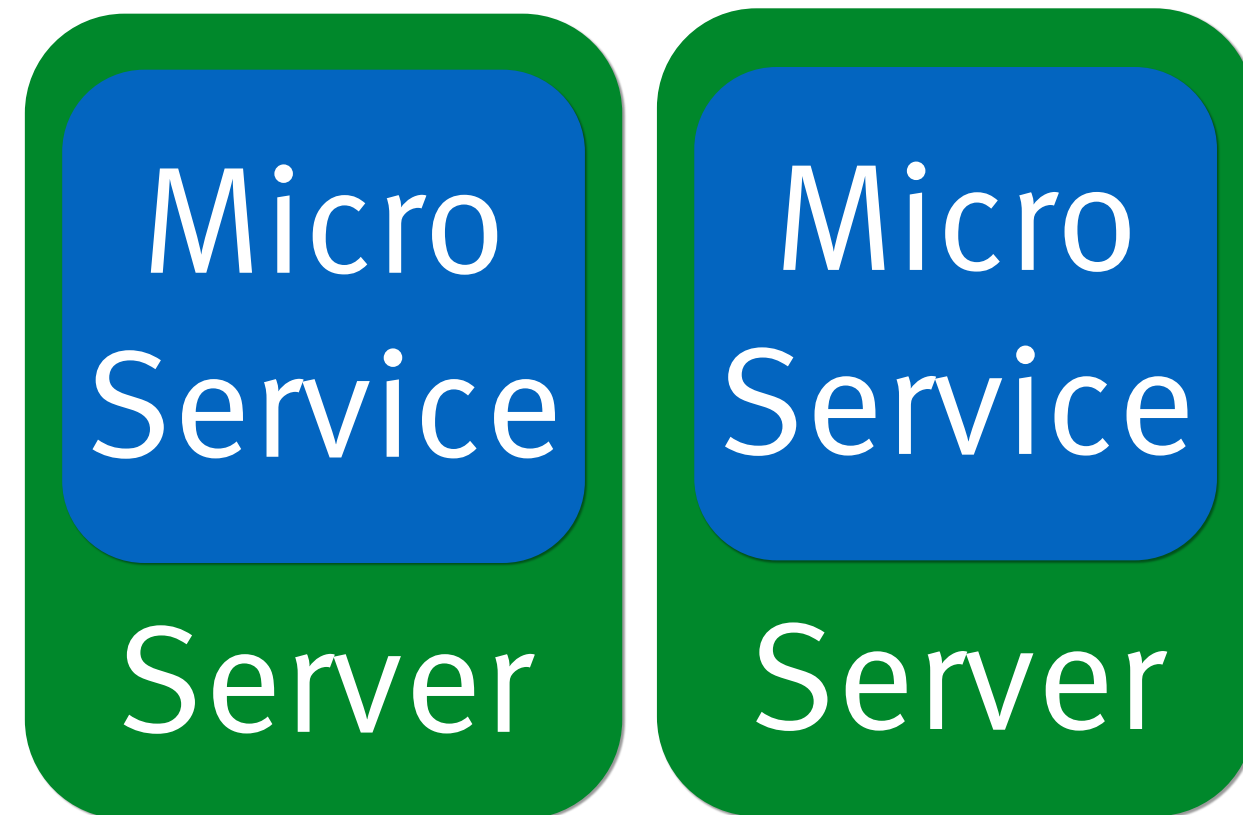
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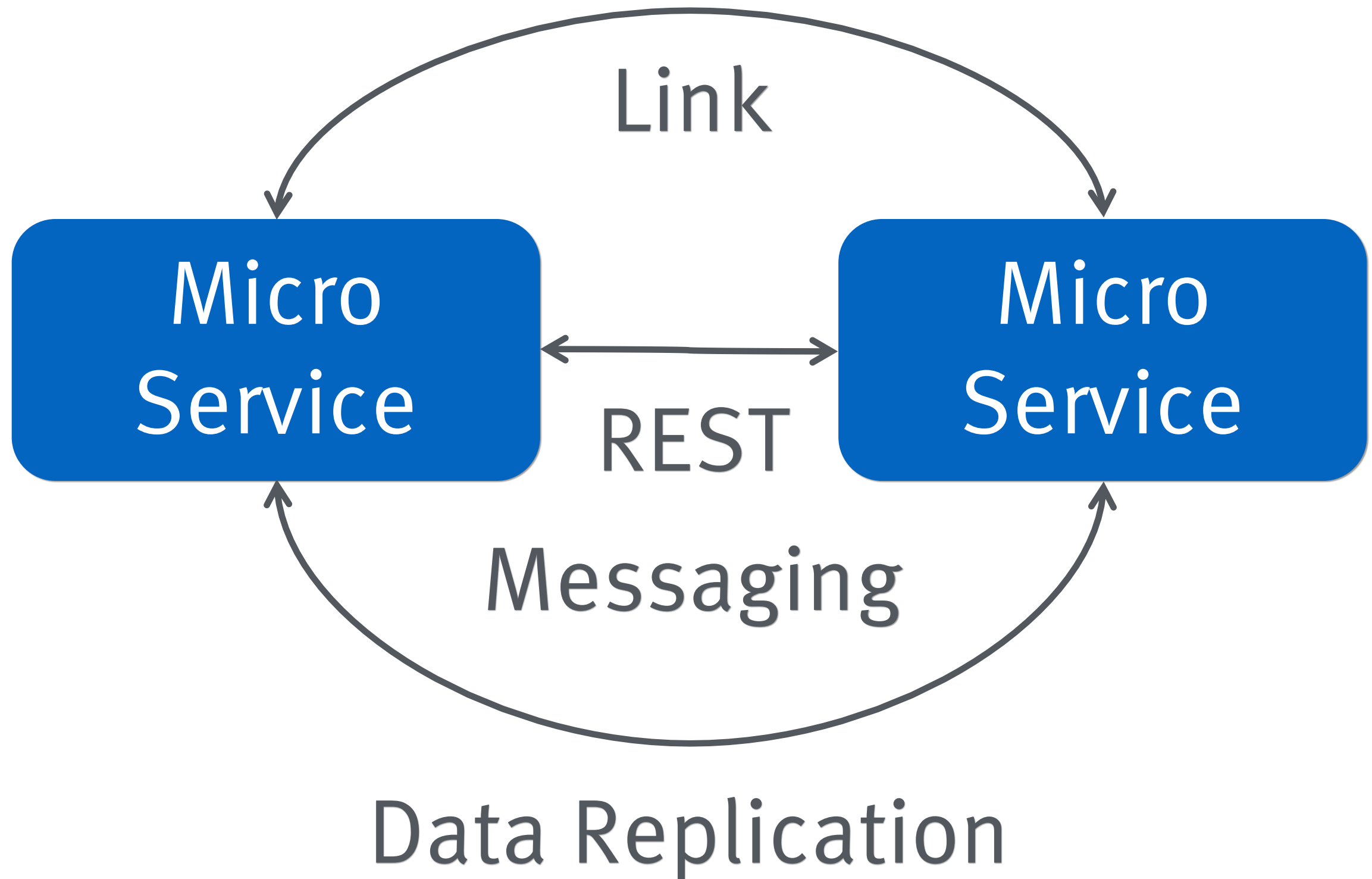
Microservice Definition

Microservices: Definition

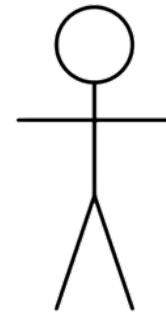
- › Independent deployment units
- › E.g. process, VMs, Docker containers
- › Any technology
- › Any infrastructure



Components Collaborate



Online Shop



Customer

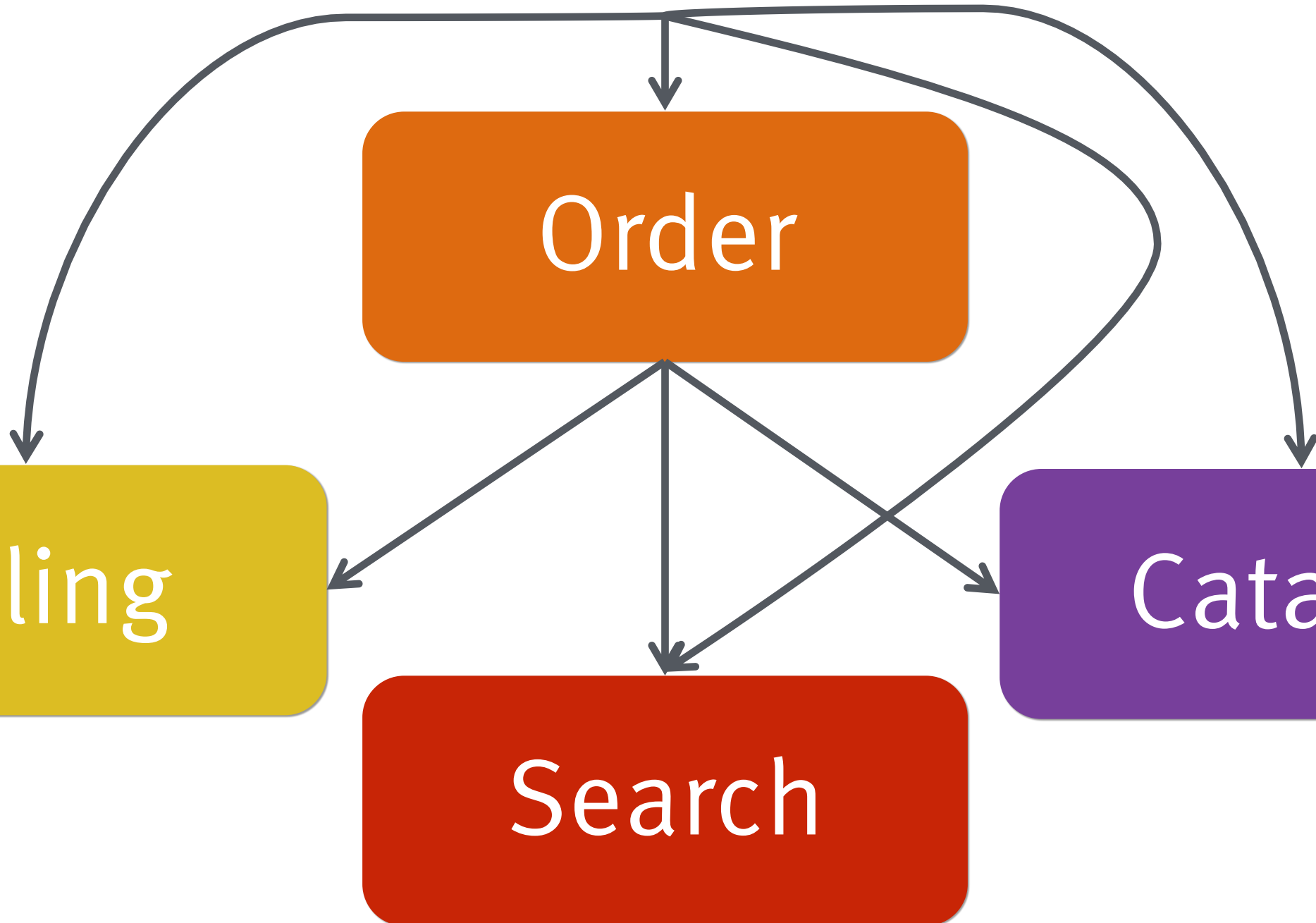
HTML /
HTTP

Order

Billing

Search

Catalog



Distributed System

Distributed System

Why??

Why Microservices?

Scaling Agile

Small teams develop and deploy independently

Handle Legacy efficient
Sustainable development
Continuous Delivery

Add services – not code
Strong Modularization
Replaceable Services
Small Services

Robustness

Failure limited to single
Microservice

Independent Scaling

Free choice of technology

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Sustainable development

Continuous Delivery

Deployment
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Single Developer

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Replace Monolith

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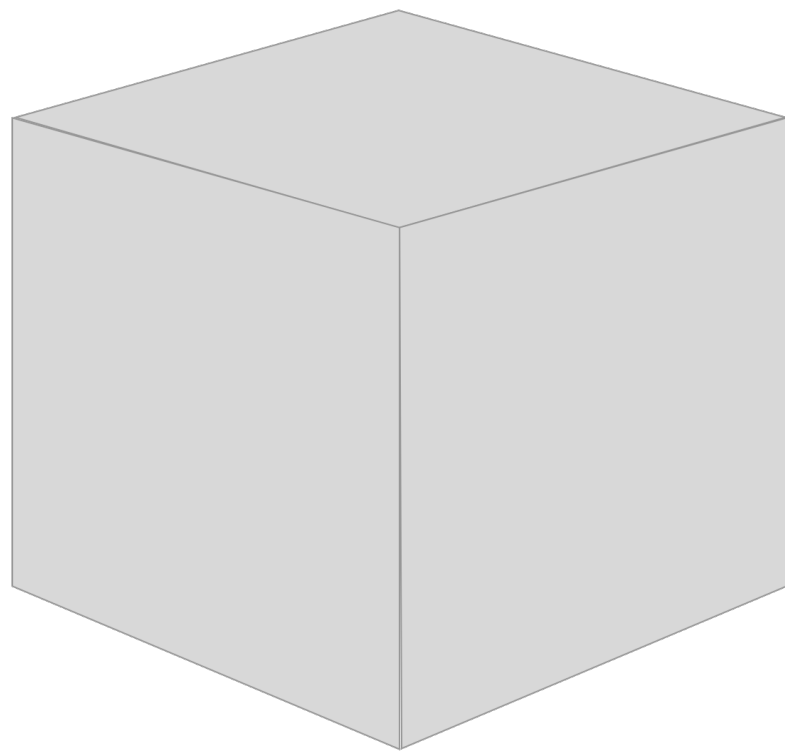
Independent Scaling

Technology

Free choice of technology

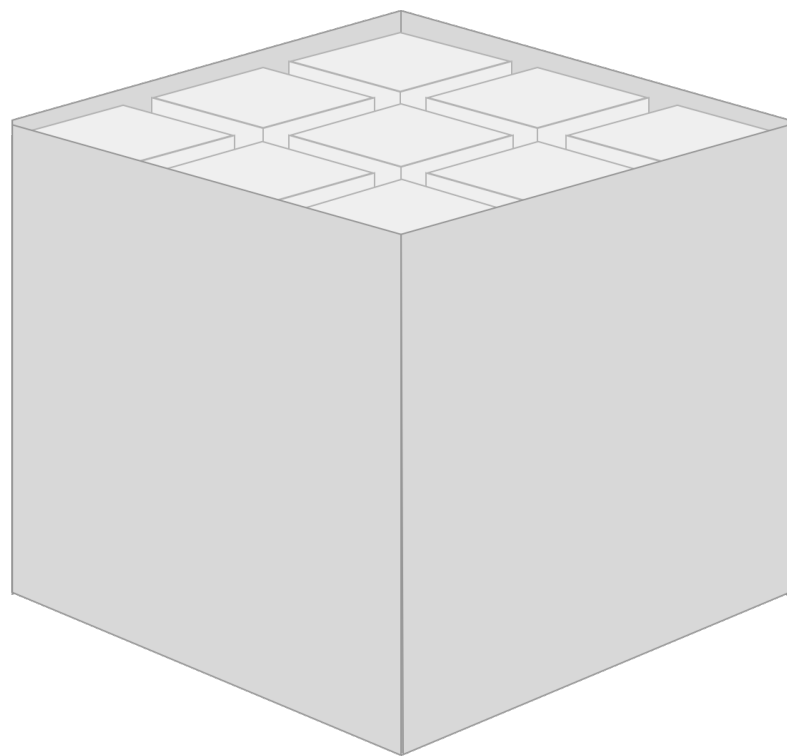
Self-Contained System (SCS)



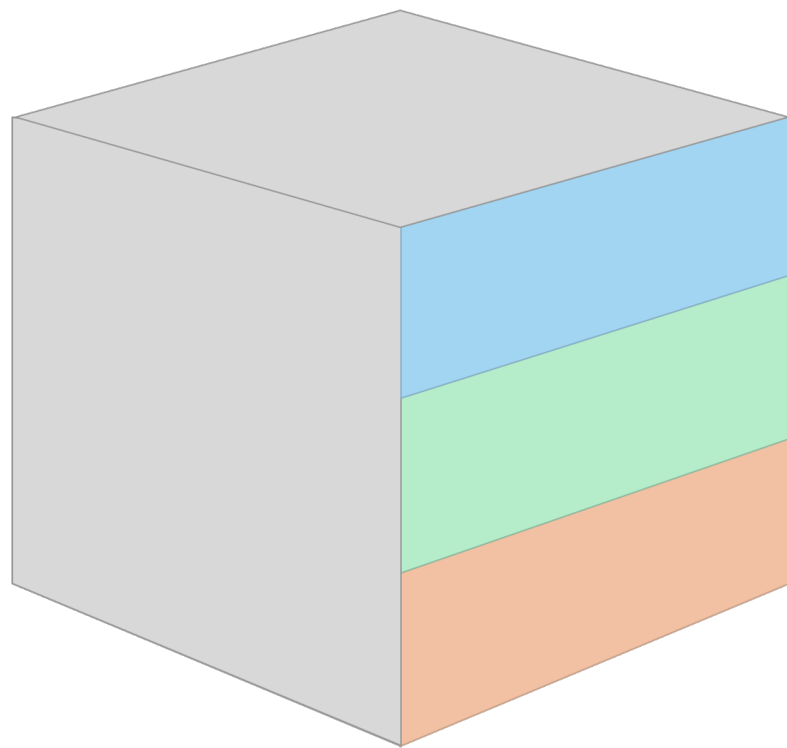


Deployment monolith

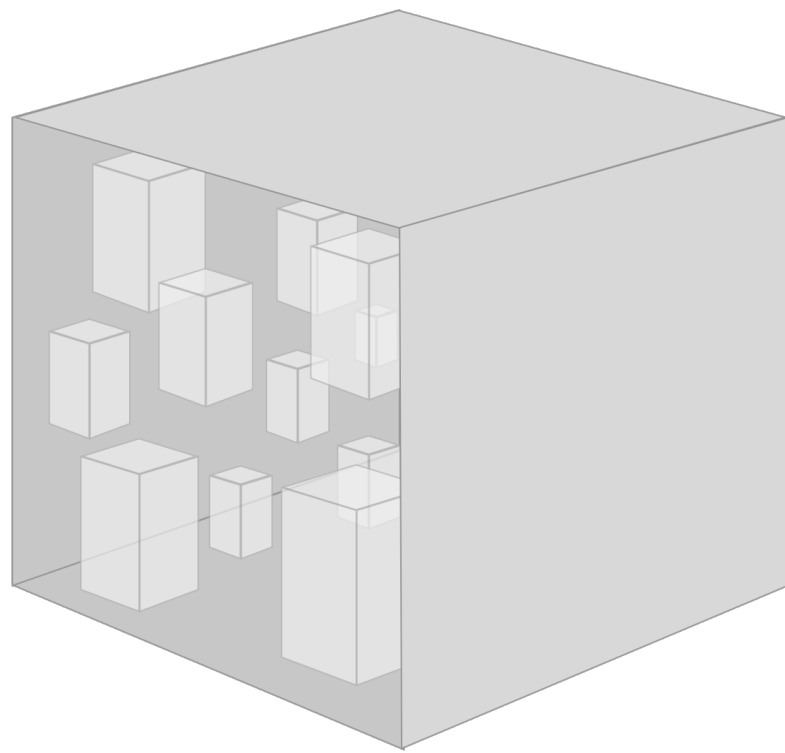
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<http://scs-architecture.org>



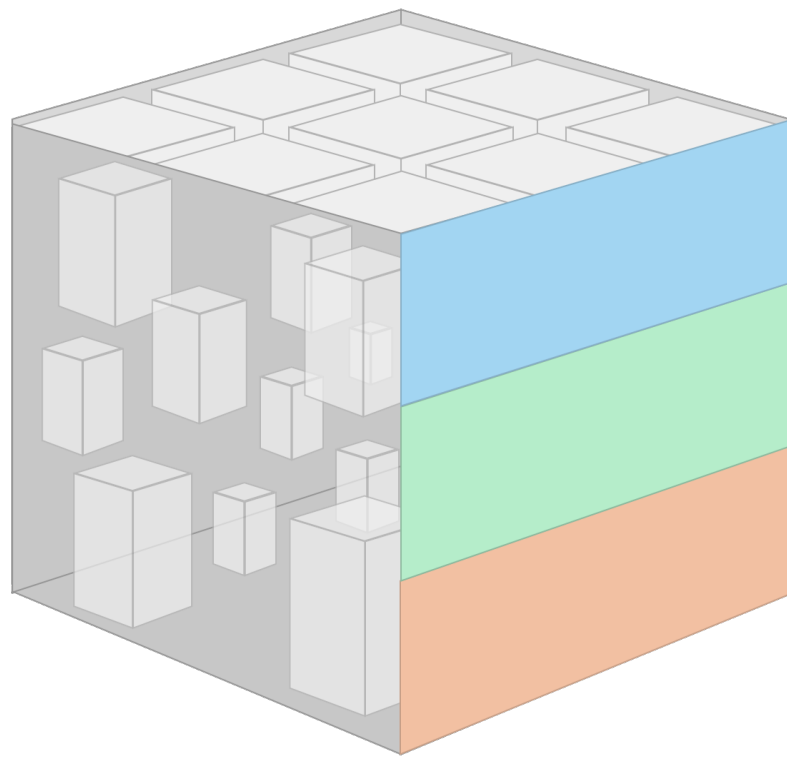
Various Domains



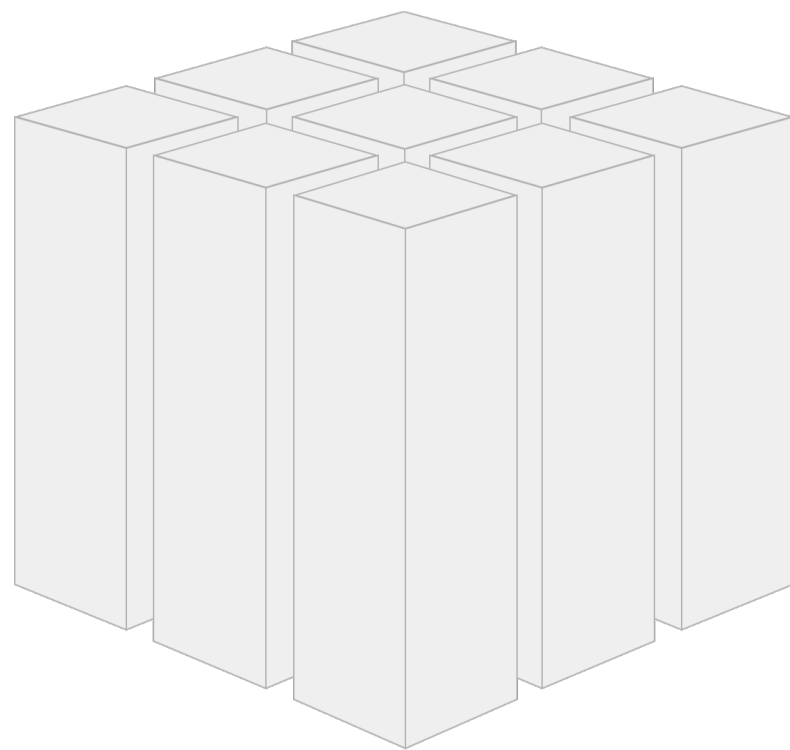
User interface
Business logic
Persistence



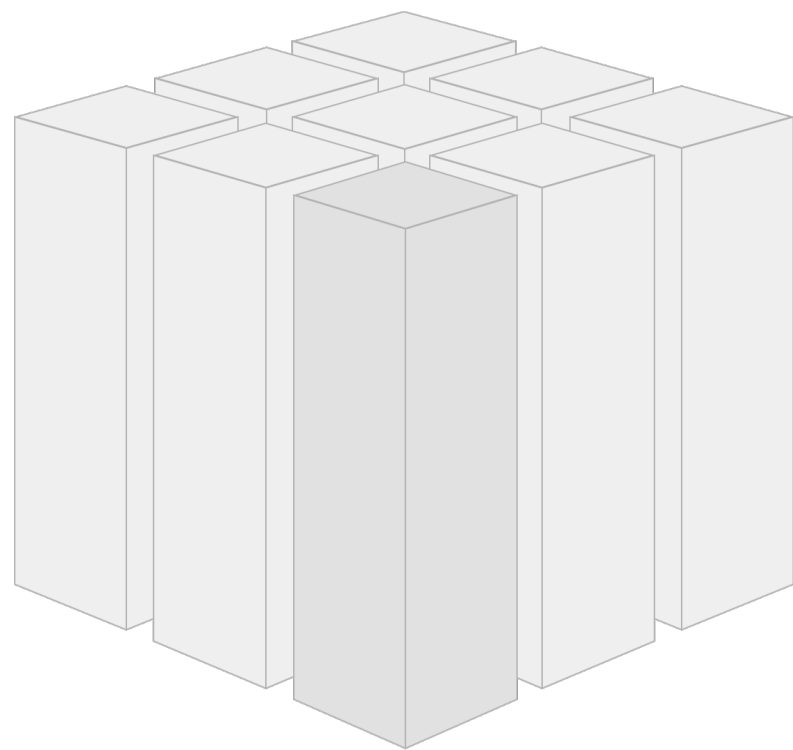
... a lot of modules,
components,
frameworks and
libraries



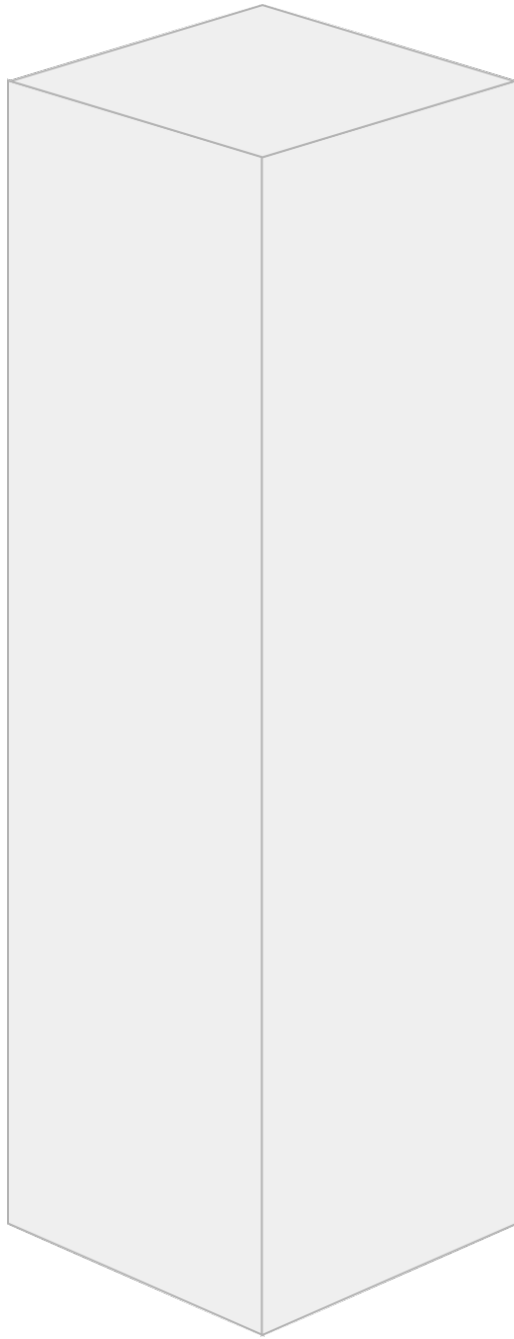
With all these layers in one place, a monolith tends to **grow**.



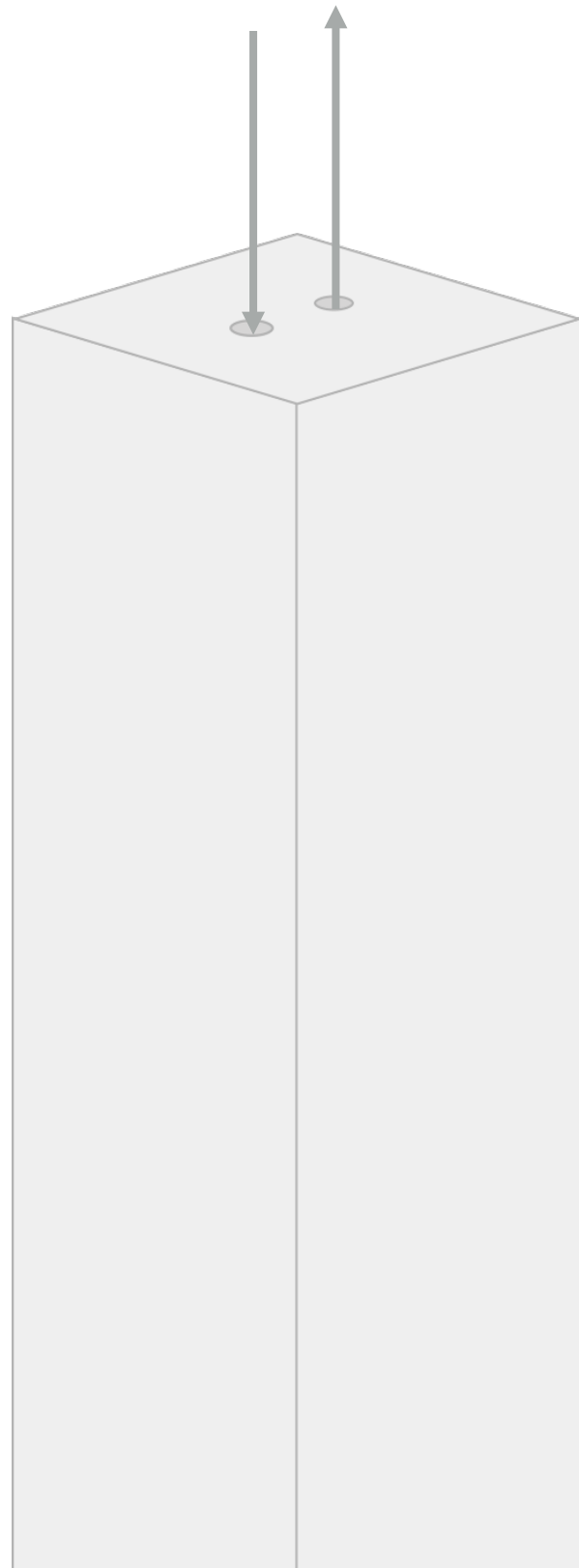
Cut Deployment
monolith along
domains ...



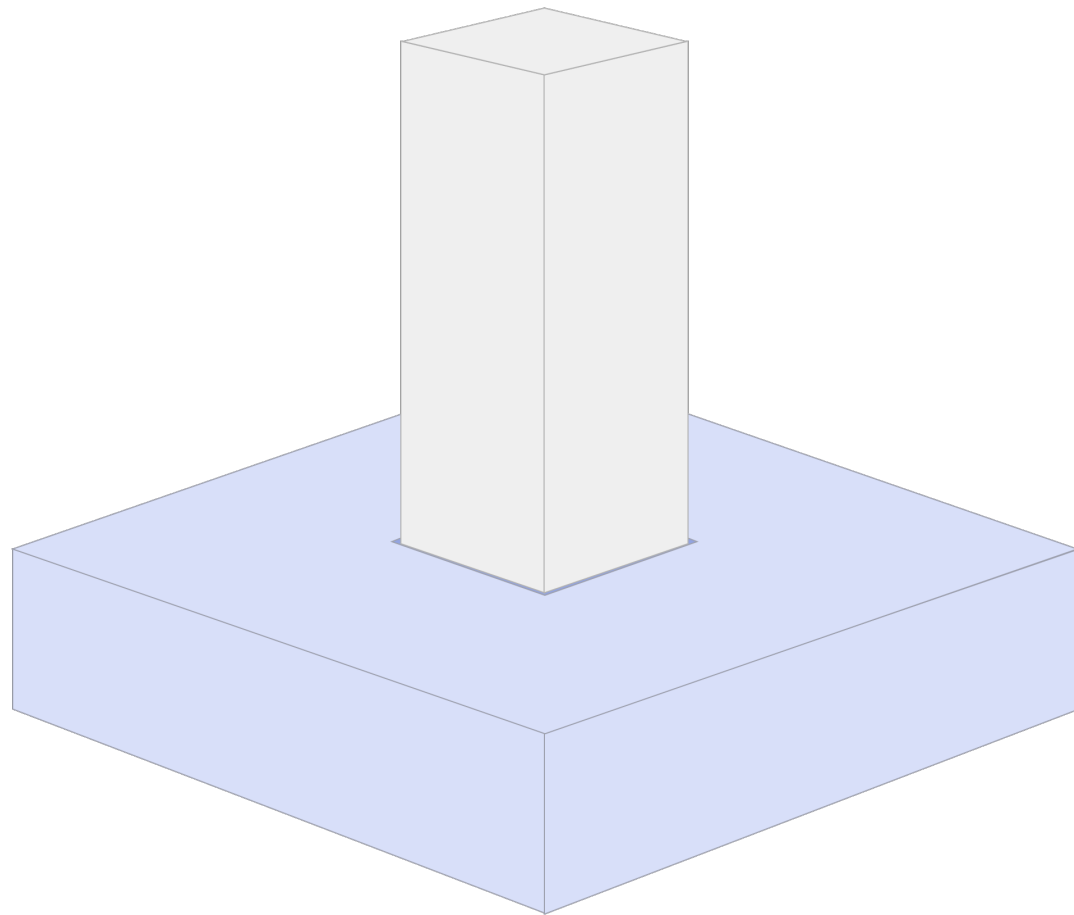
... wrap domain in
separate web
application ...



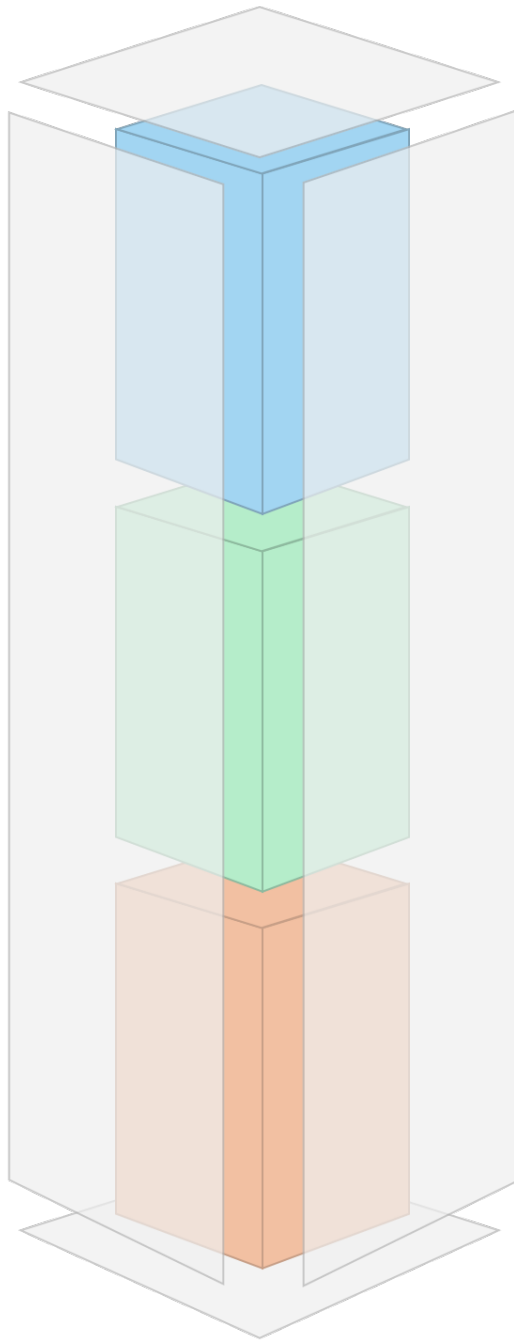
Self-contained
System (SCS) –
individually
deployable



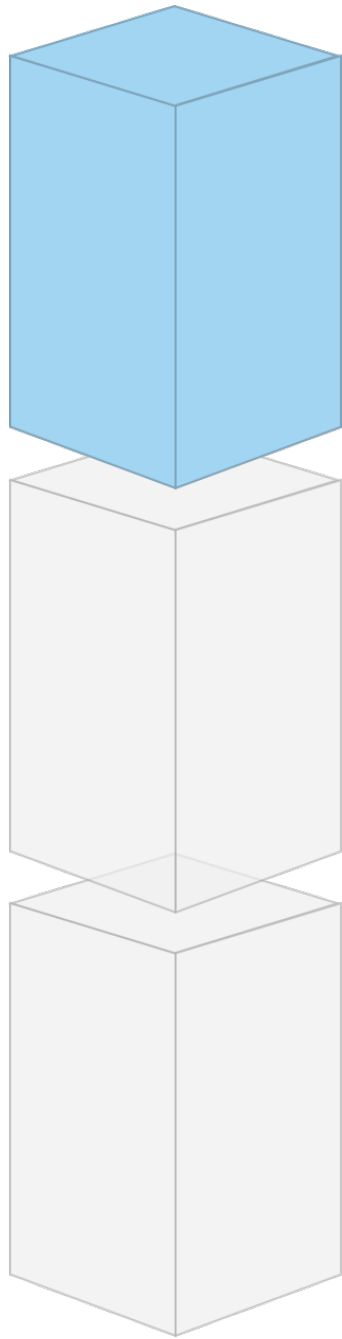
Decentralized unit
communicating with
other systems via
RESTful HTTP or
lightweight
messaging.



SCS can be
individually
developed for
different
platforms.

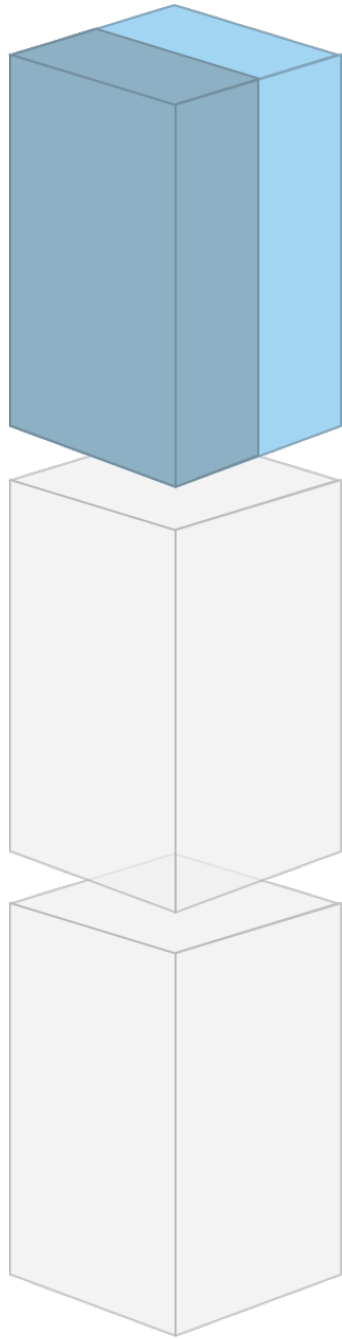


An SCS contains its own
user interface, specific
business logic and
separate data storage

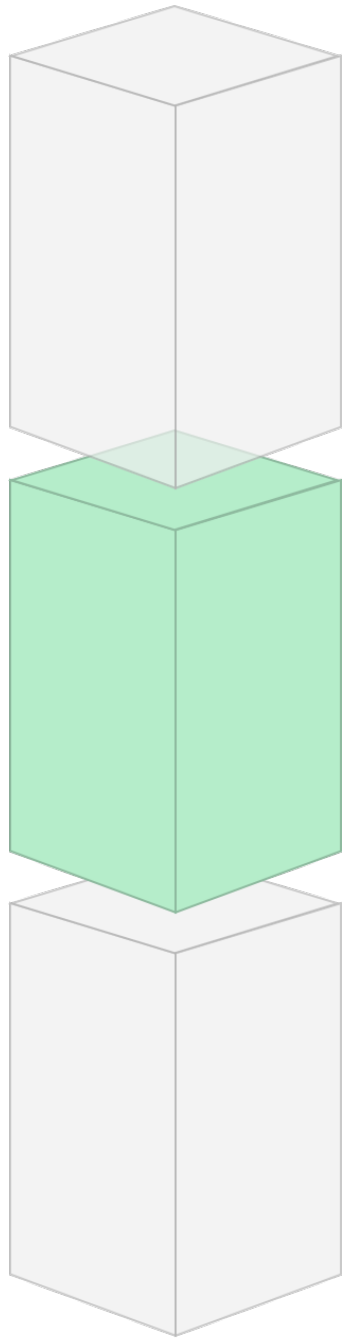


Web user interface
composed according
to ROCA principles.

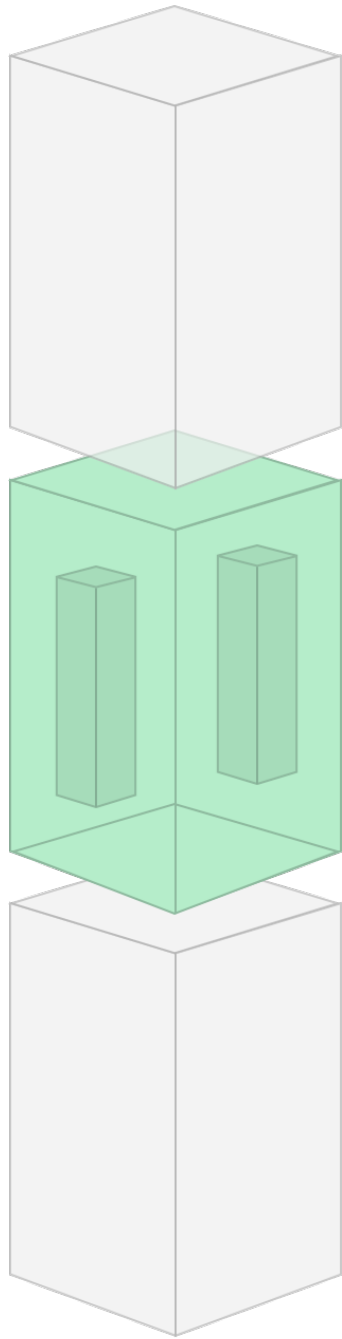
<http://roca-style.org>



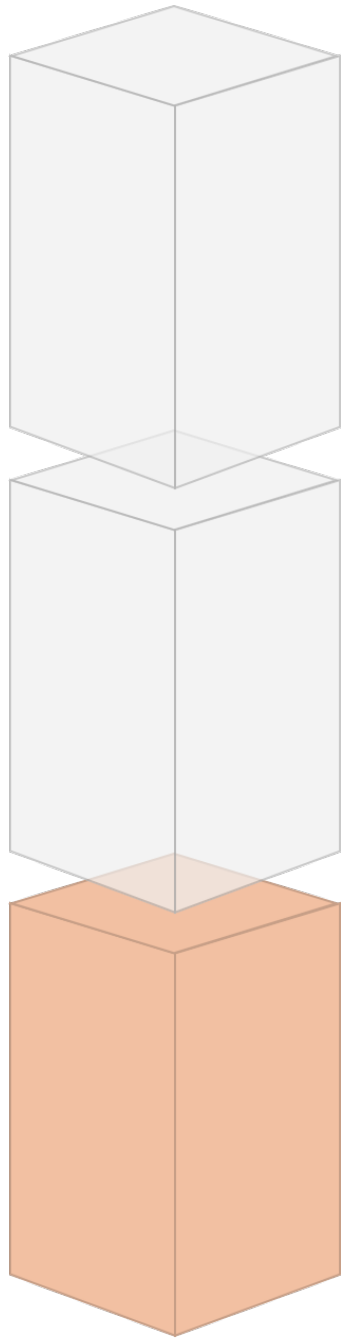
optional API e.g. for
mobile



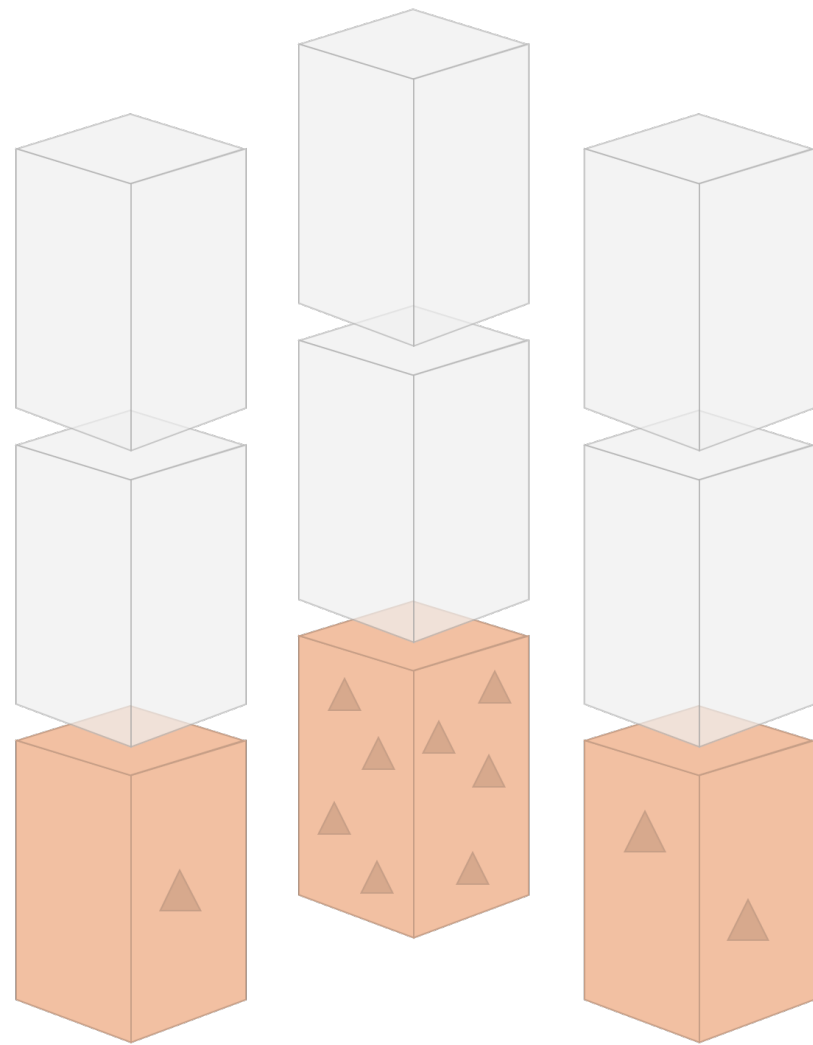
Logic only shared over
a well defined
interface.



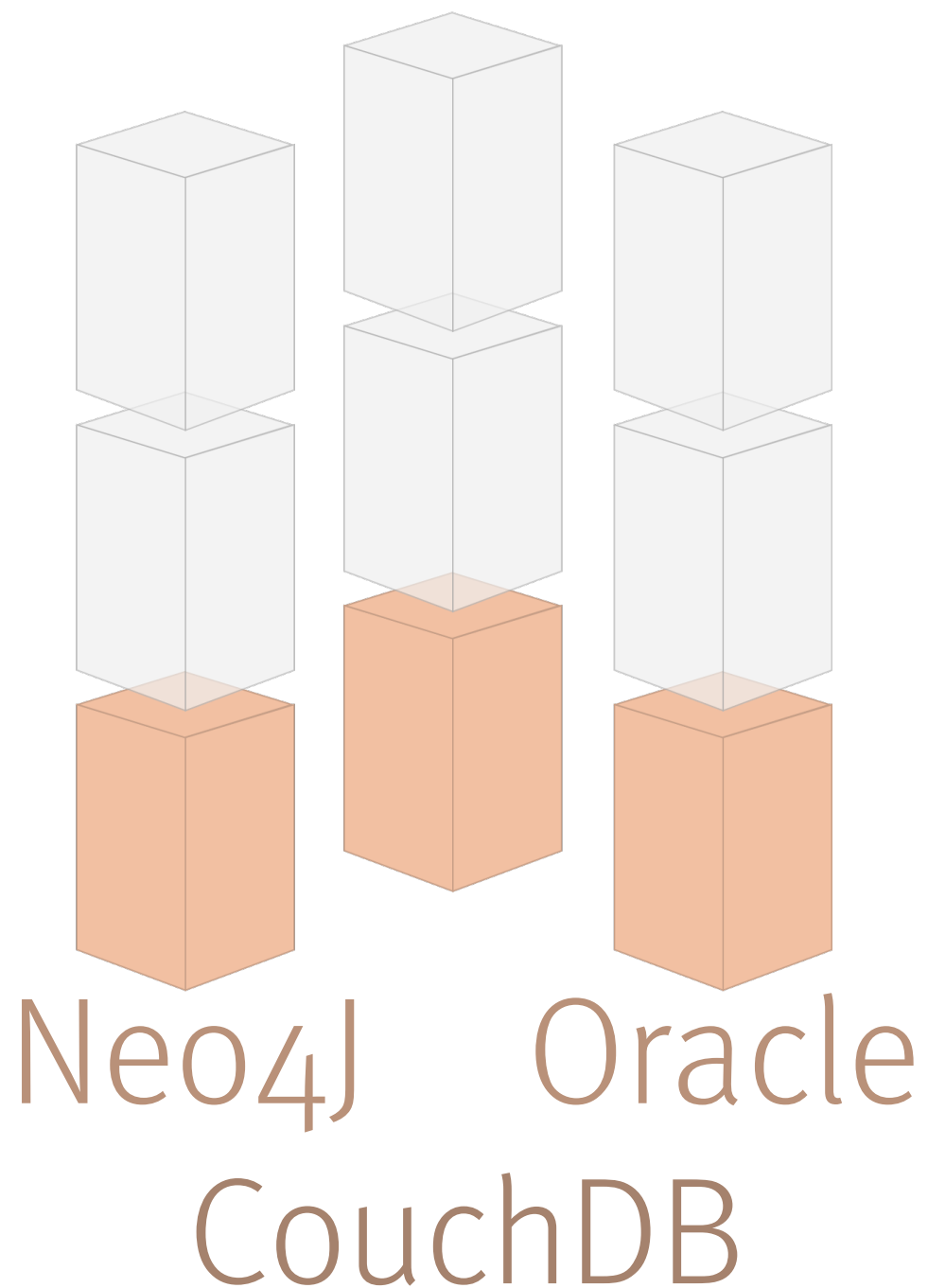
Business logic can
consist of
microservices



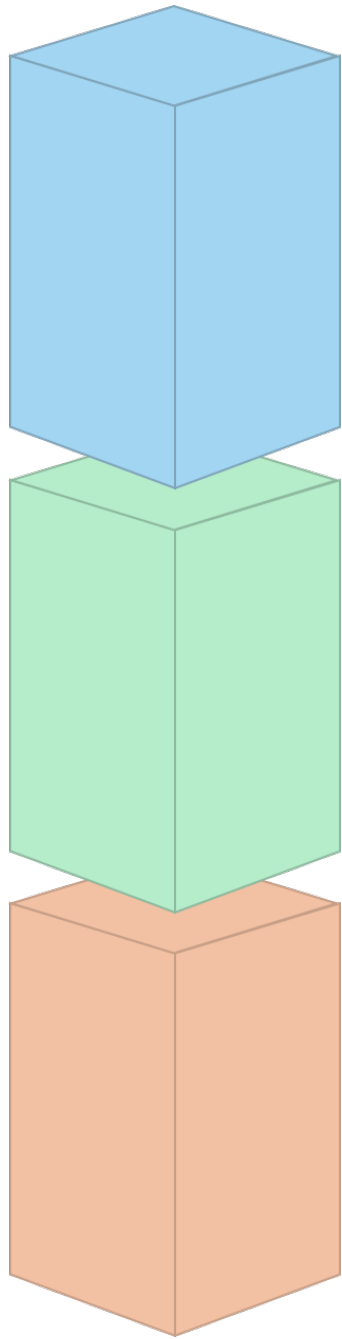
Every SCS brings its
own data storage
with its own
(potentially
redundant) data



Redundancies:
tolerable as long as
sovereignty of data
by owning system is
not undermined.

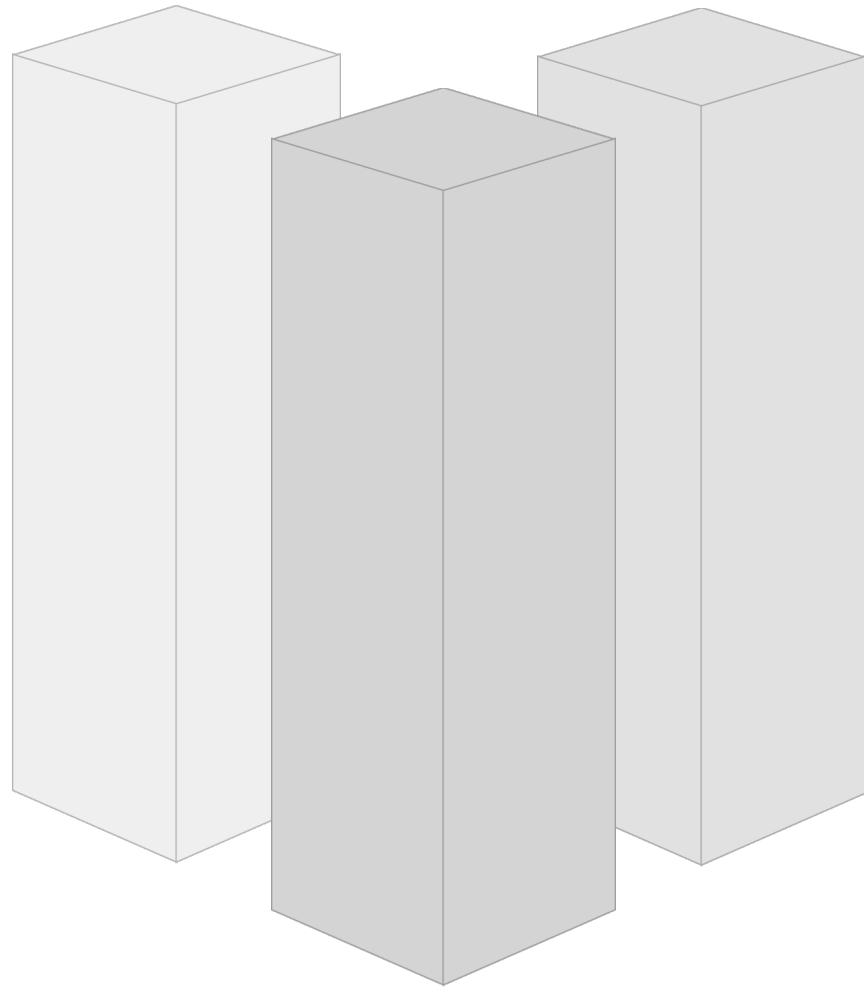


Enables polyglot
persistence



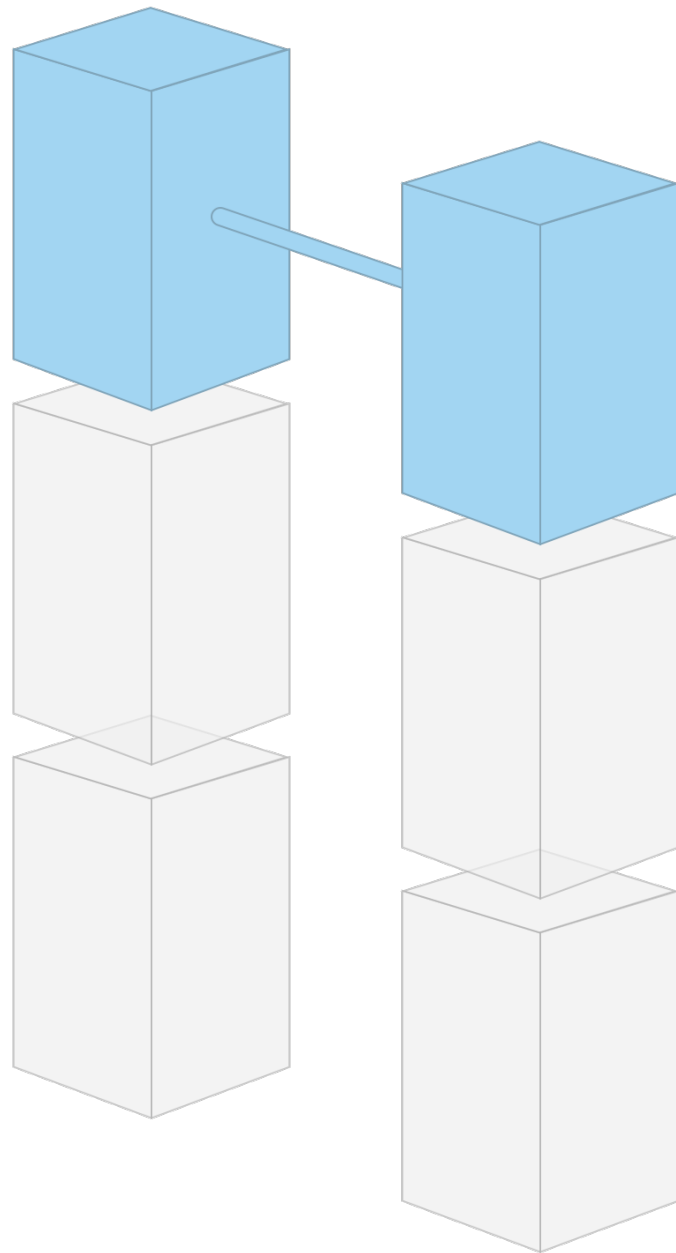
Technical decisions can be made independently from other systems (programming language, frameworks, tooling, platform)

Team 2 Team 3

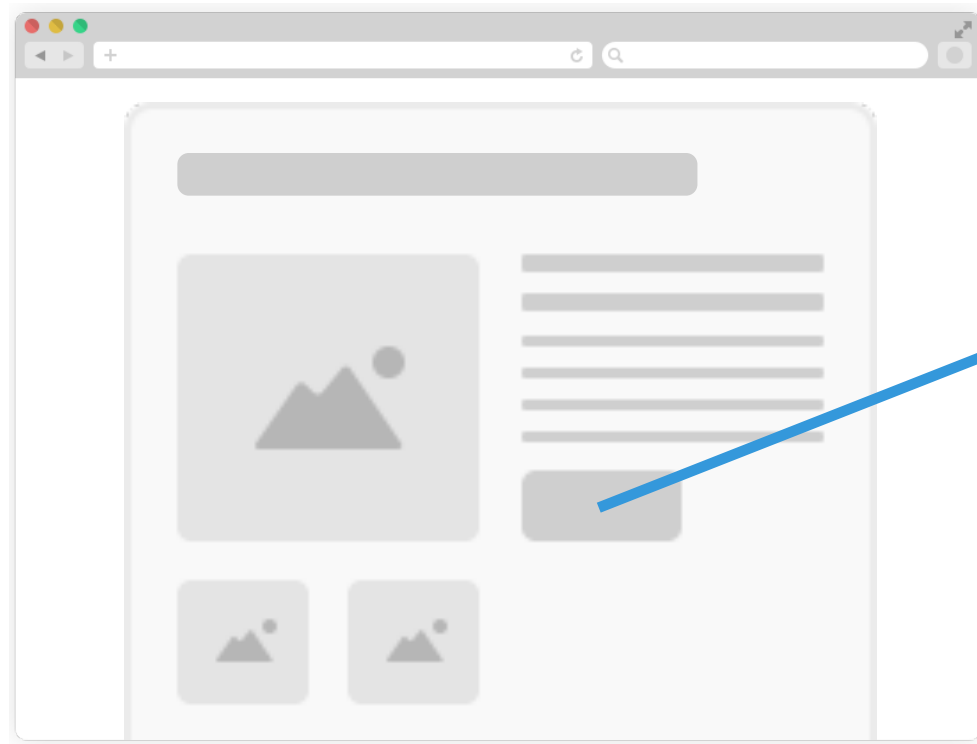


Team 1

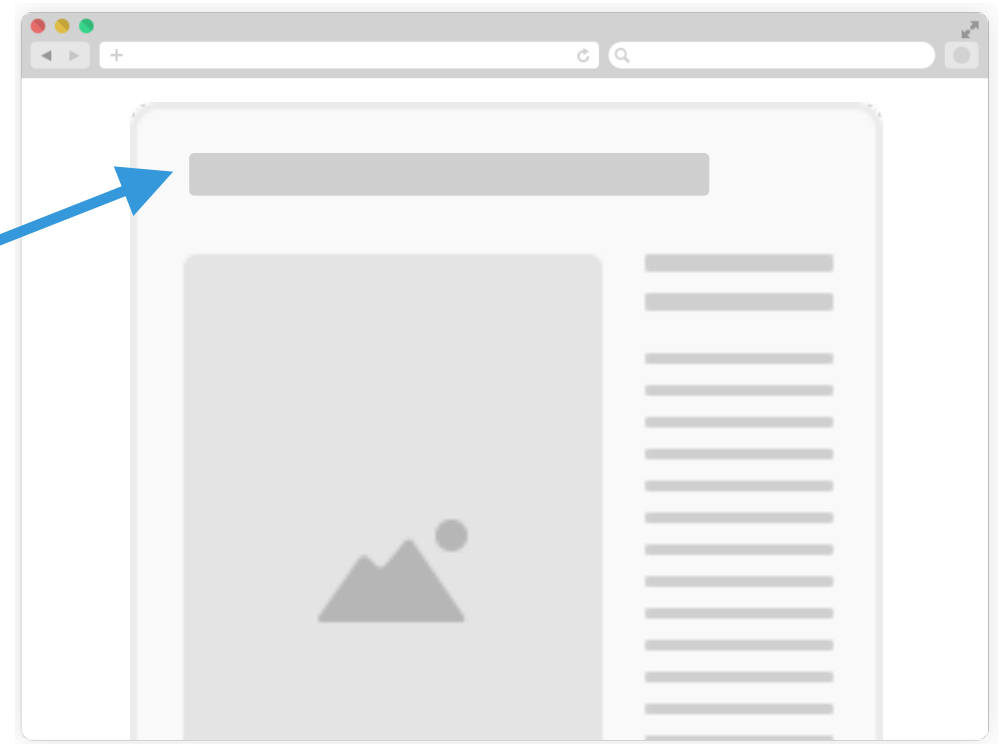
Domain scope
enables
development,
operation and
maintenance of
SCS by a **single
team.**



Self-contained
Systems
should be integrated
in the web interface



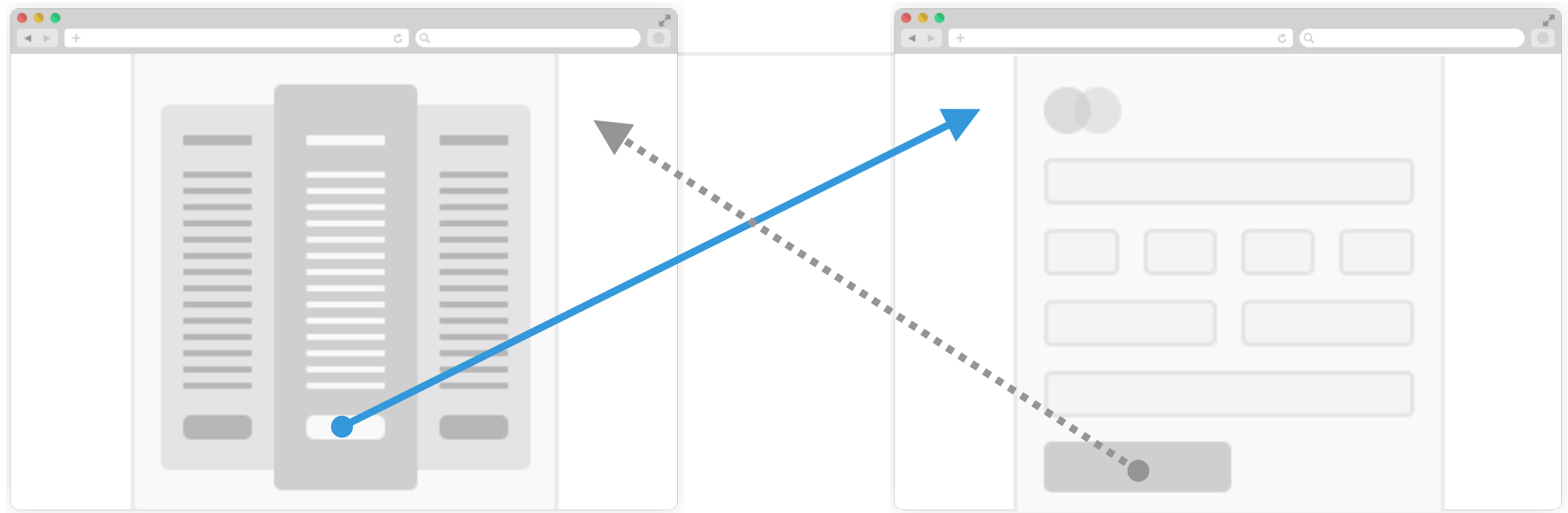
System 1



System 2

Hyperlinks to navigate between systems.

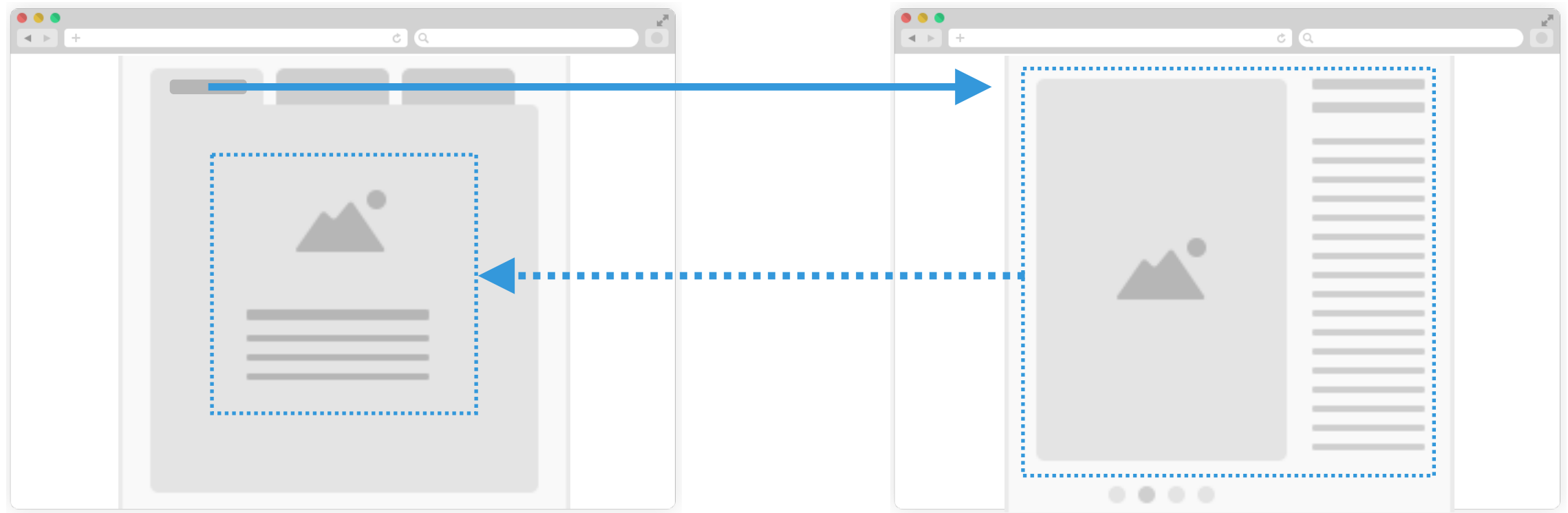
Redirection



System 1

System 2

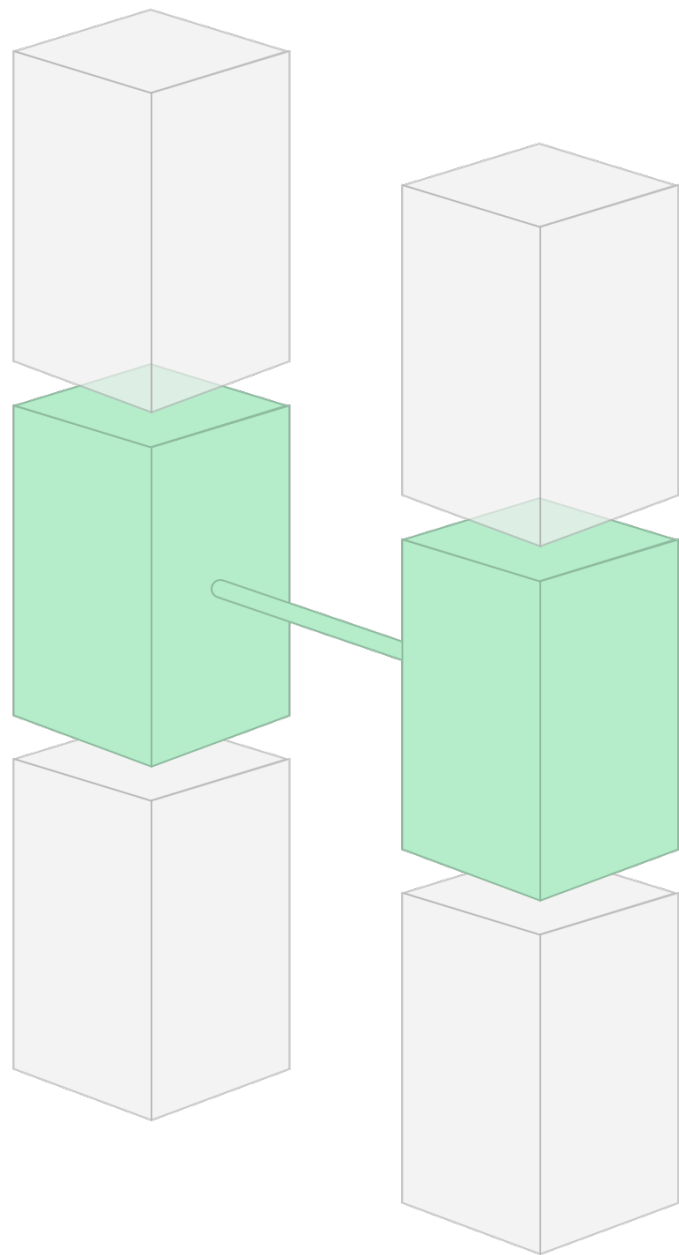
- › Use of callback URIs
- › As seen e.g. in OAuth flows



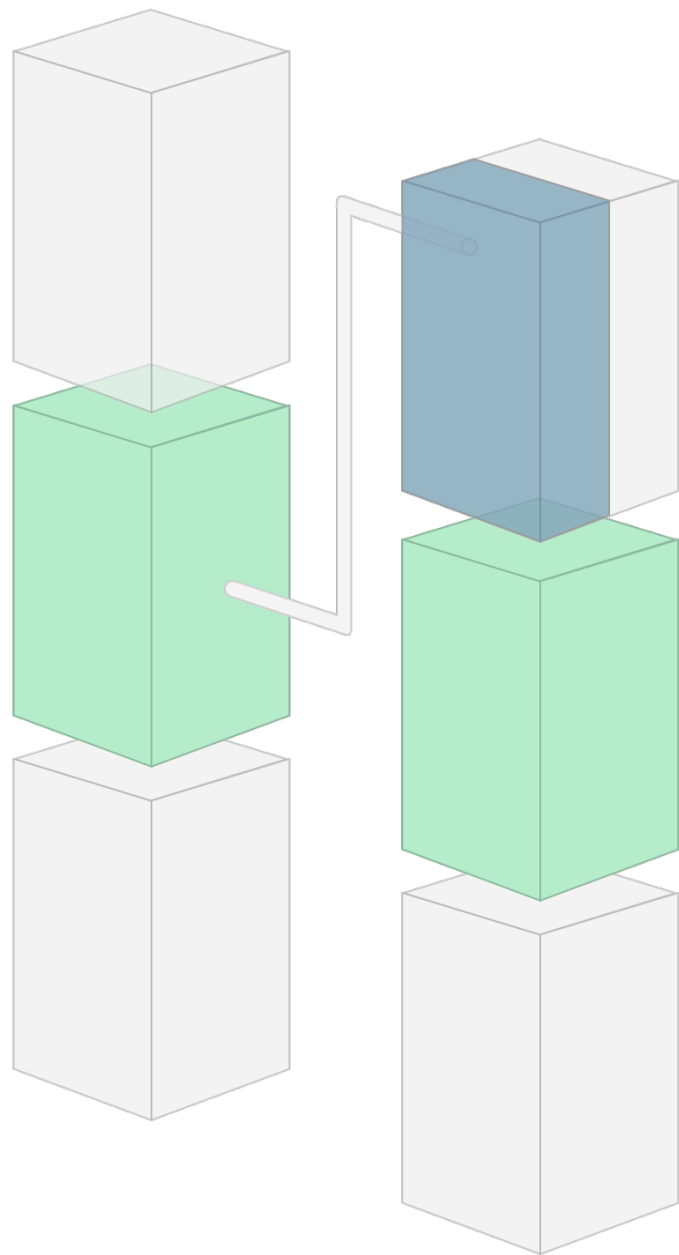
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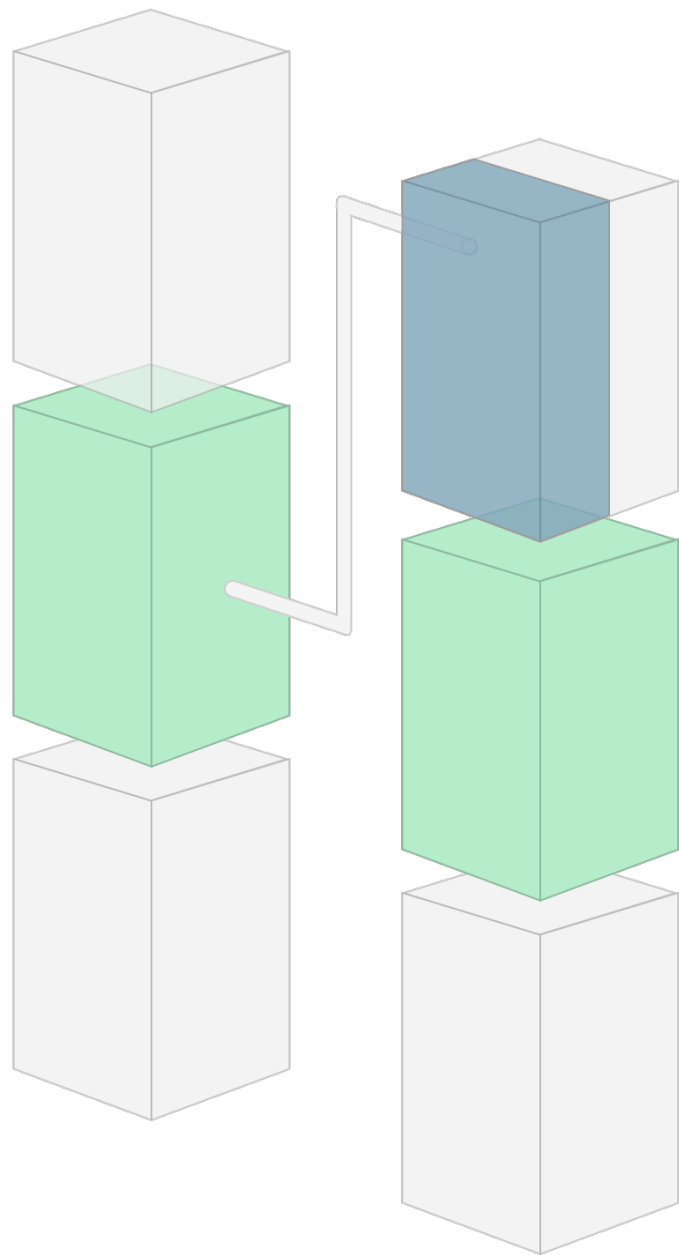
Dynamic inclusion of content
served by another application



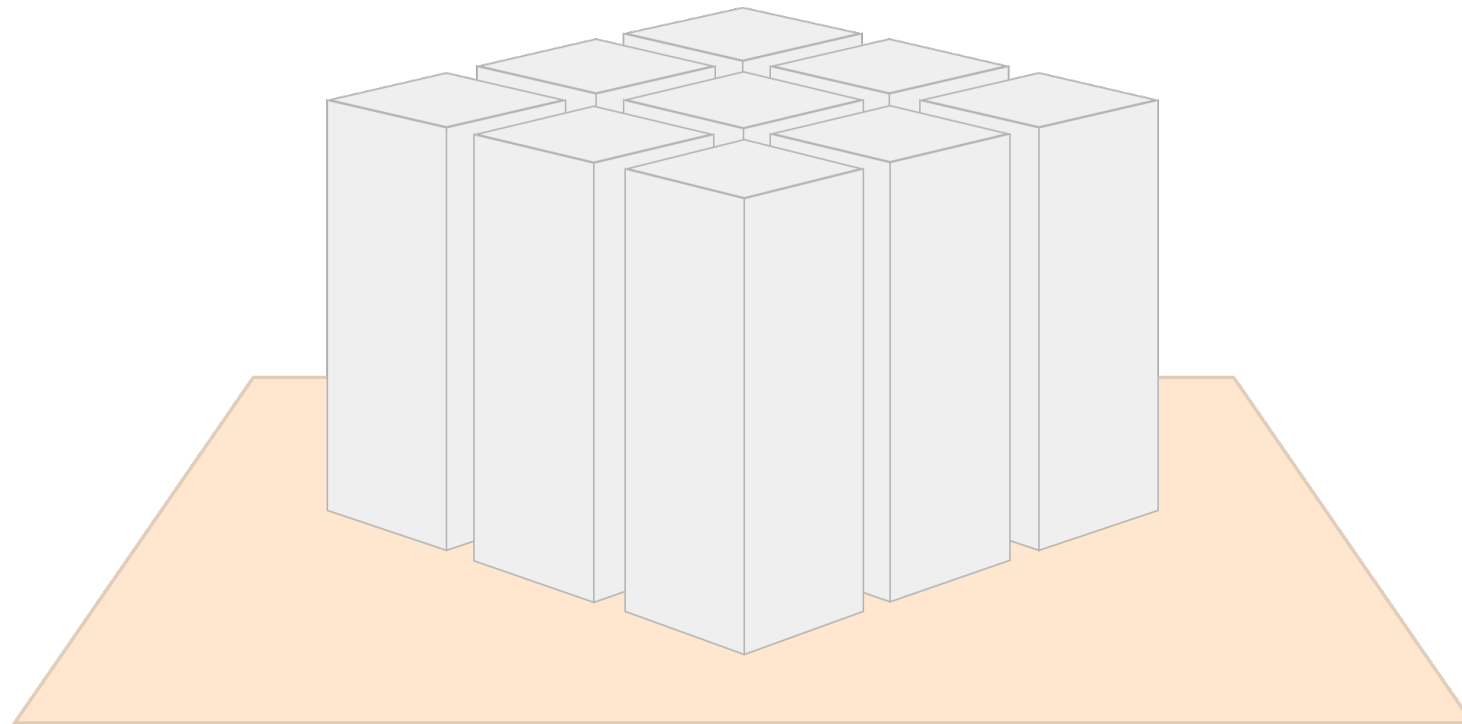
Synchronous remote calls inside the business logic should be avoided.



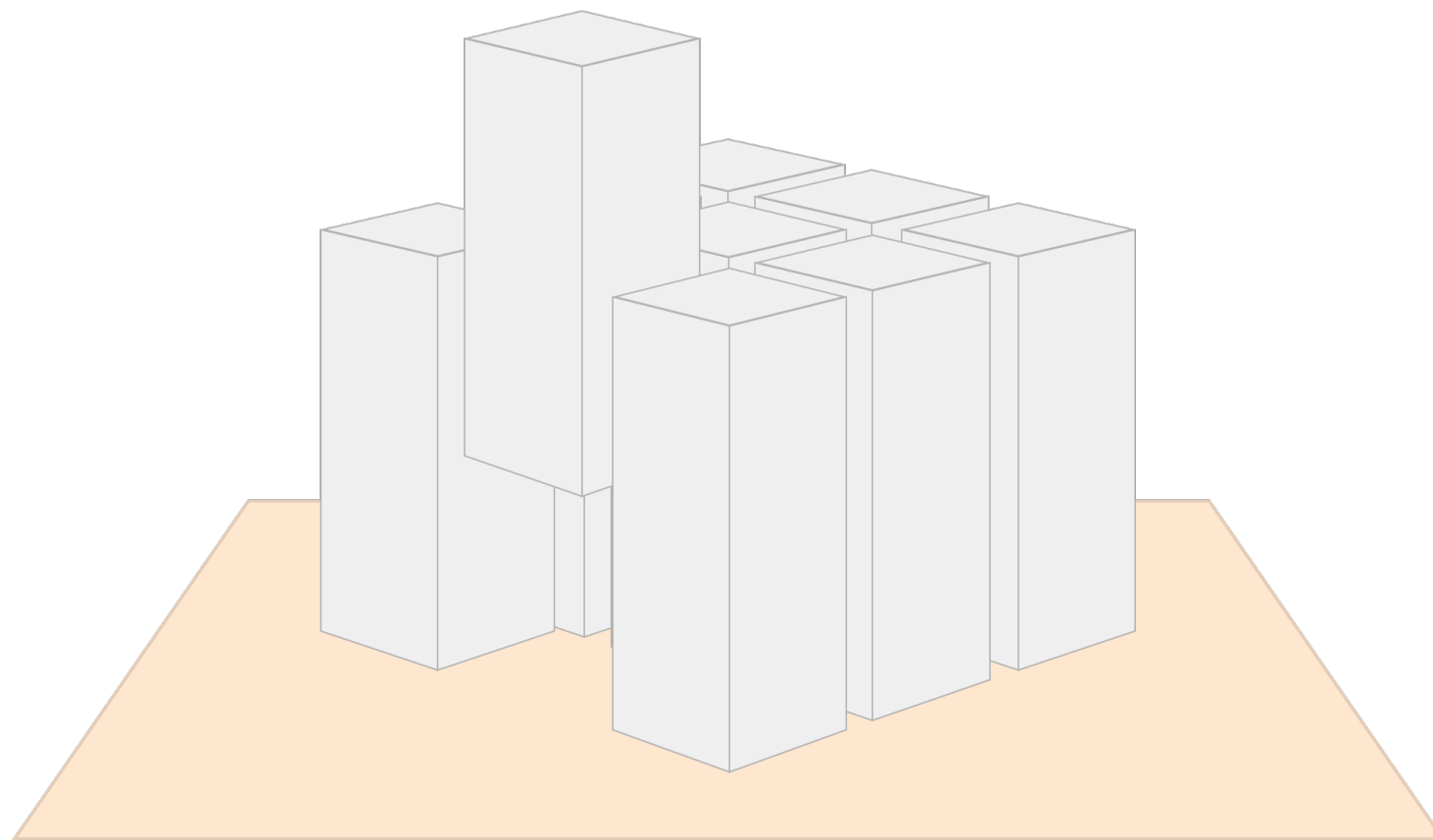
Asynchronous Remote calls reduce dependencies and prevent error cascades.



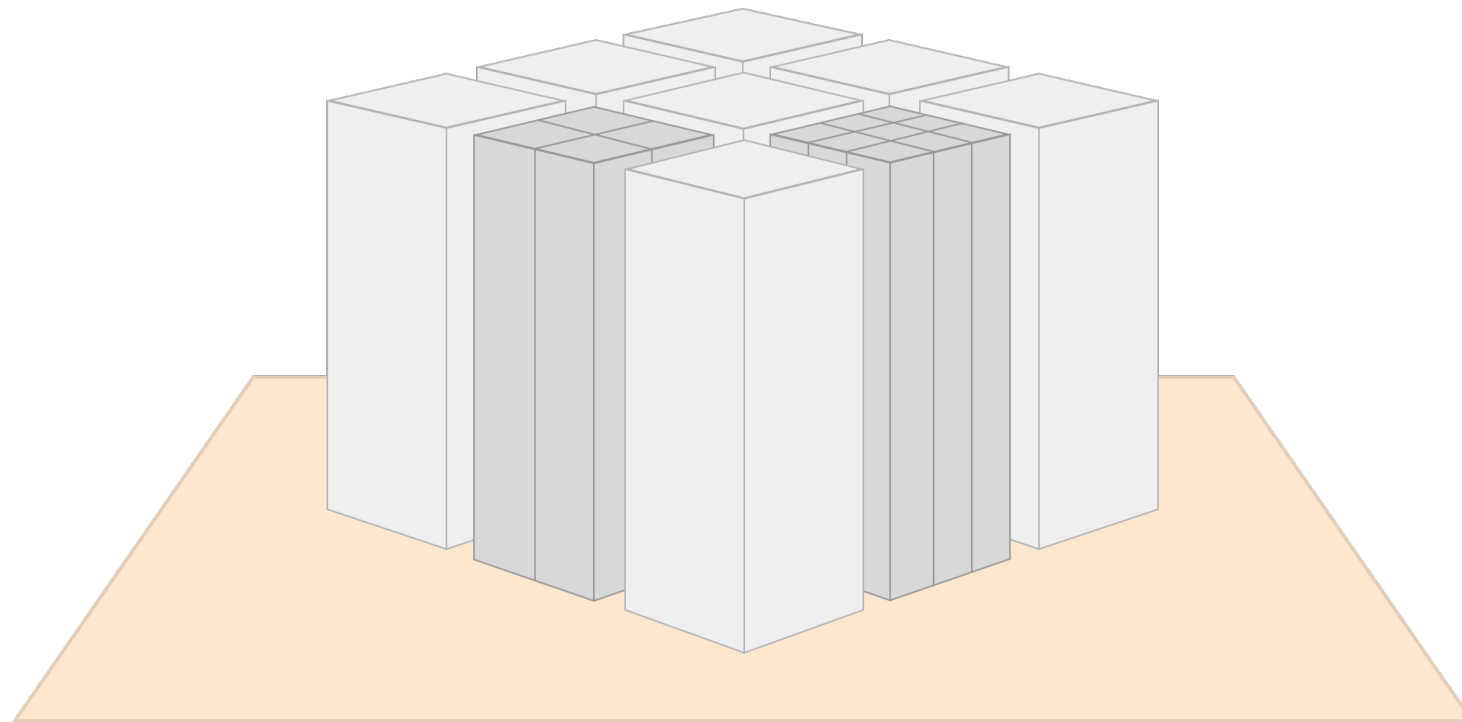
Data model's
consistency
guarantees are
relaxed.



An integrated
system of systems
like this has many
benefits.

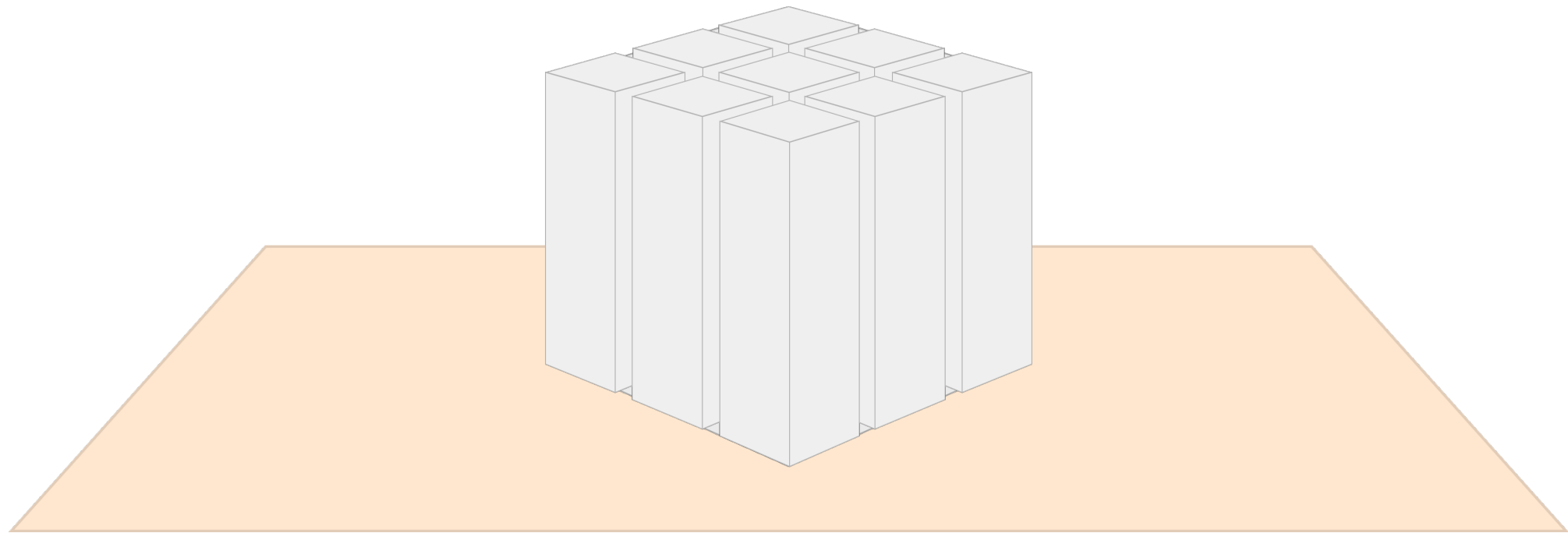


Resilience is improved
through loosely
coupled, replaceable
systems.

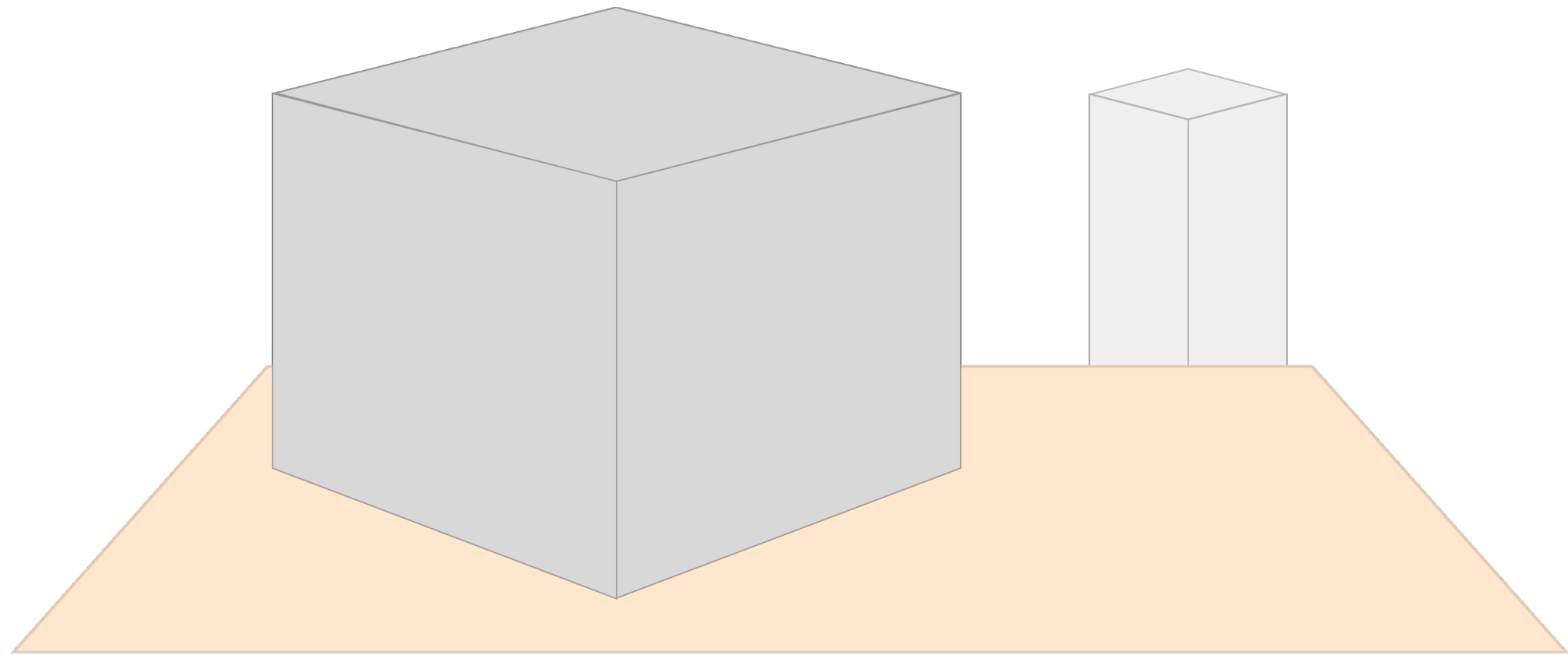


SCSs can be
individually
scaled to serve
varying demands.

Version 2



No risky **big bang** to migrate an outdated, monolithic system into a system of systems.



Migration in small, manageable steps which minimize risk of failure and lead to an evolutionary modernization of big and complex systems.

SCS 1-...* **Microservice**

Conclusion

- › SCS: autonomous web application
- › Might consist of Microservices
- › Focus on UI Integration
- › Almost complete independence
- › Coarse-grained architecture approach

Conclusion

- › Self-contained systems are Microservices ...
- › that are not “micro”...
- › and don’t have to be “services”
- › Many are doing it already!

- › <http://scs-architecture.org>
- › Creative commons
- › Source on Github
- › Slidedeck

