

Developing functional domain models with event sourcing

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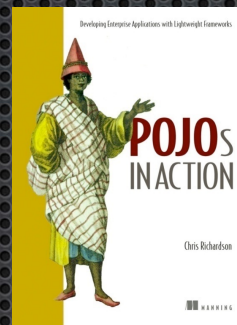
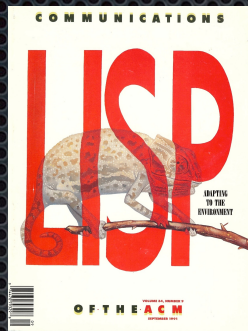
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Presentation goal

How to develop functional
domain models based on event
sourcing

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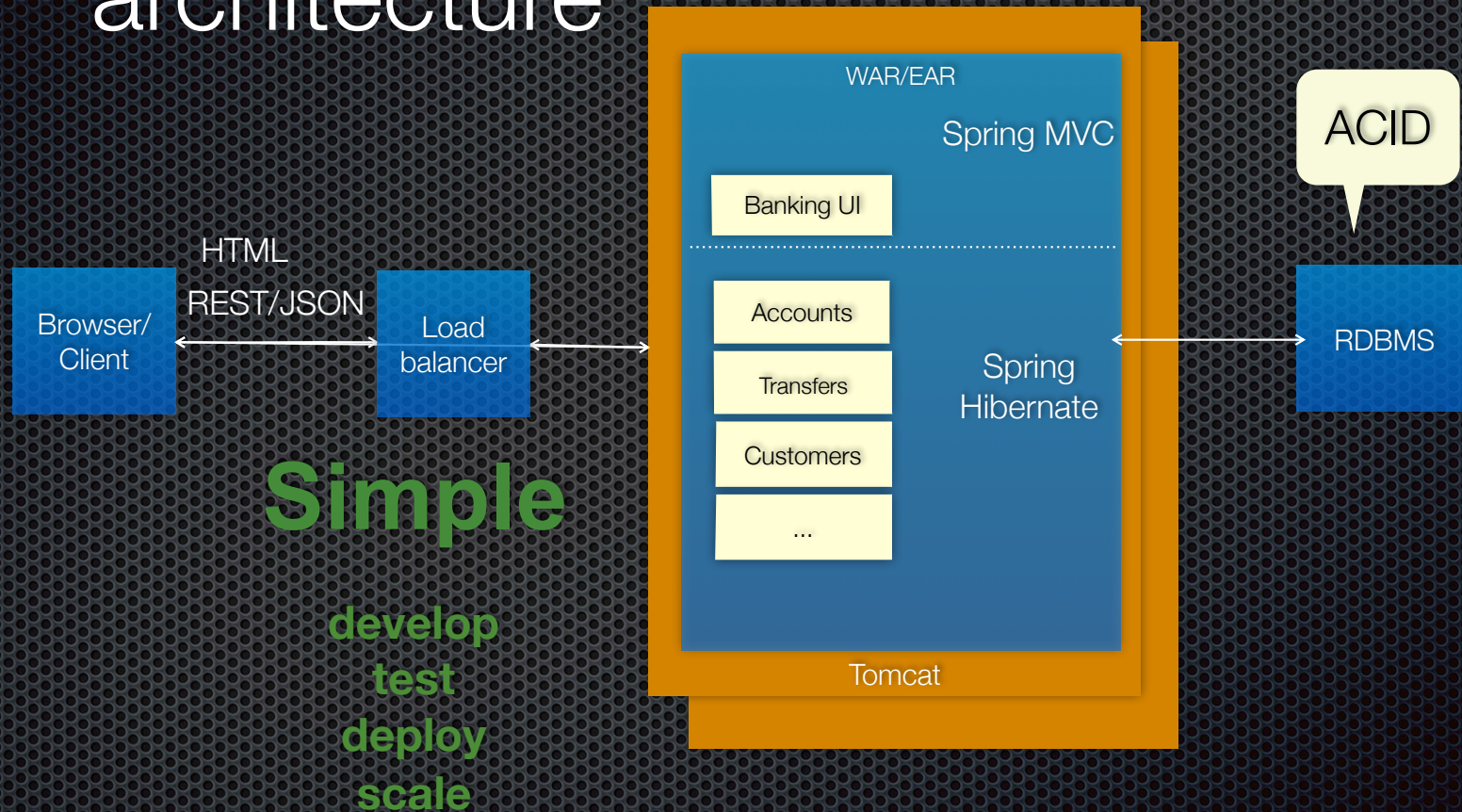
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- <http://microservices.io>
- <http://github.com/cer/microservices-examples/>
- <https://github.com/cer/event-sourcing-examples>
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Agenda

- ✦ Why event sourcing?
- ✦ Designing a domain model based on event sourcing
- ✦ Event sourcing and service design
- ✦ Microservices and event sourcing

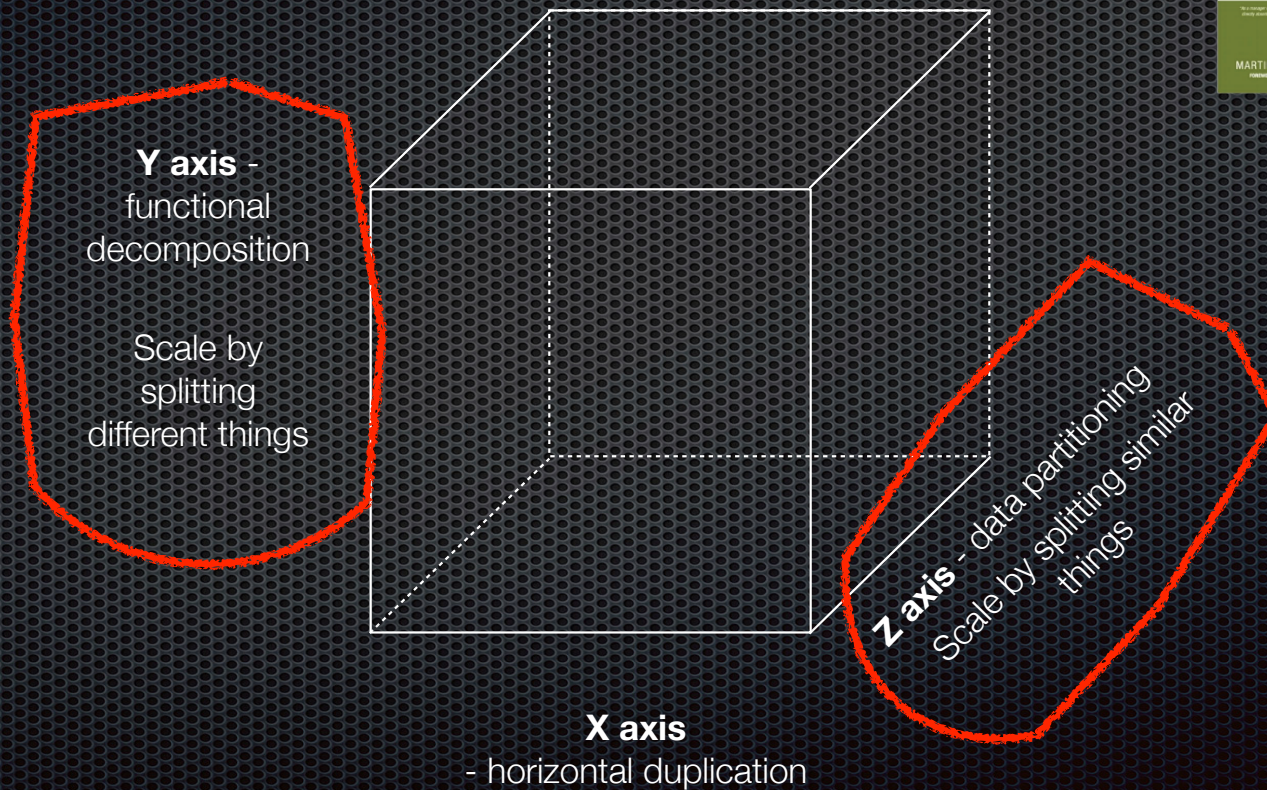
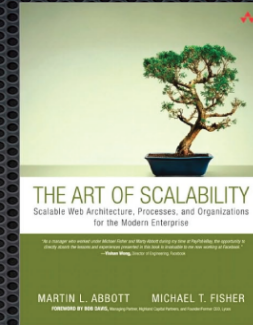
Traditional monolithic architecture



But large and/or complex
monolithic applications
=
Trouble!

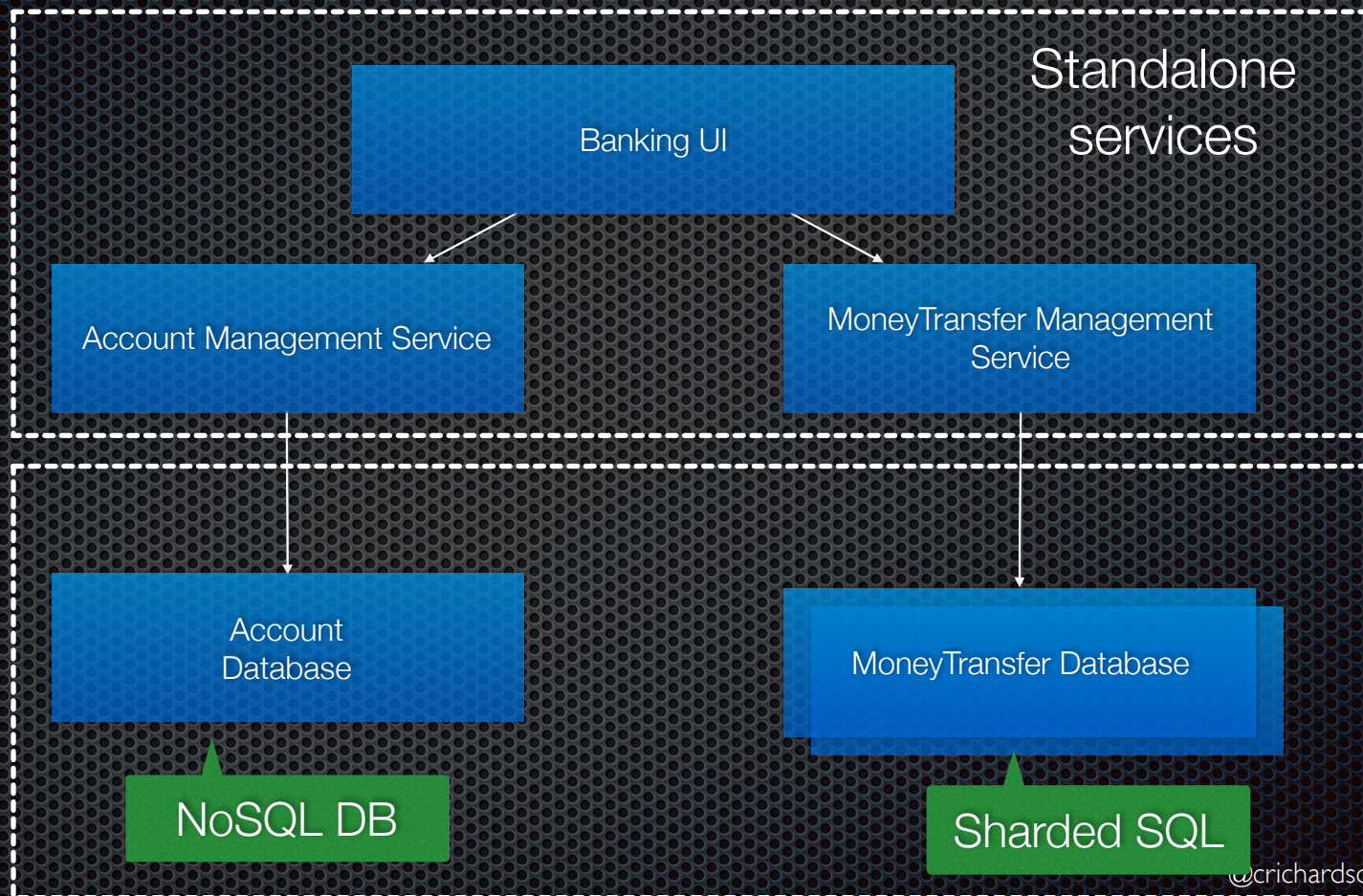
Using a single RDBMS has its
limitations

Apply the scale cube



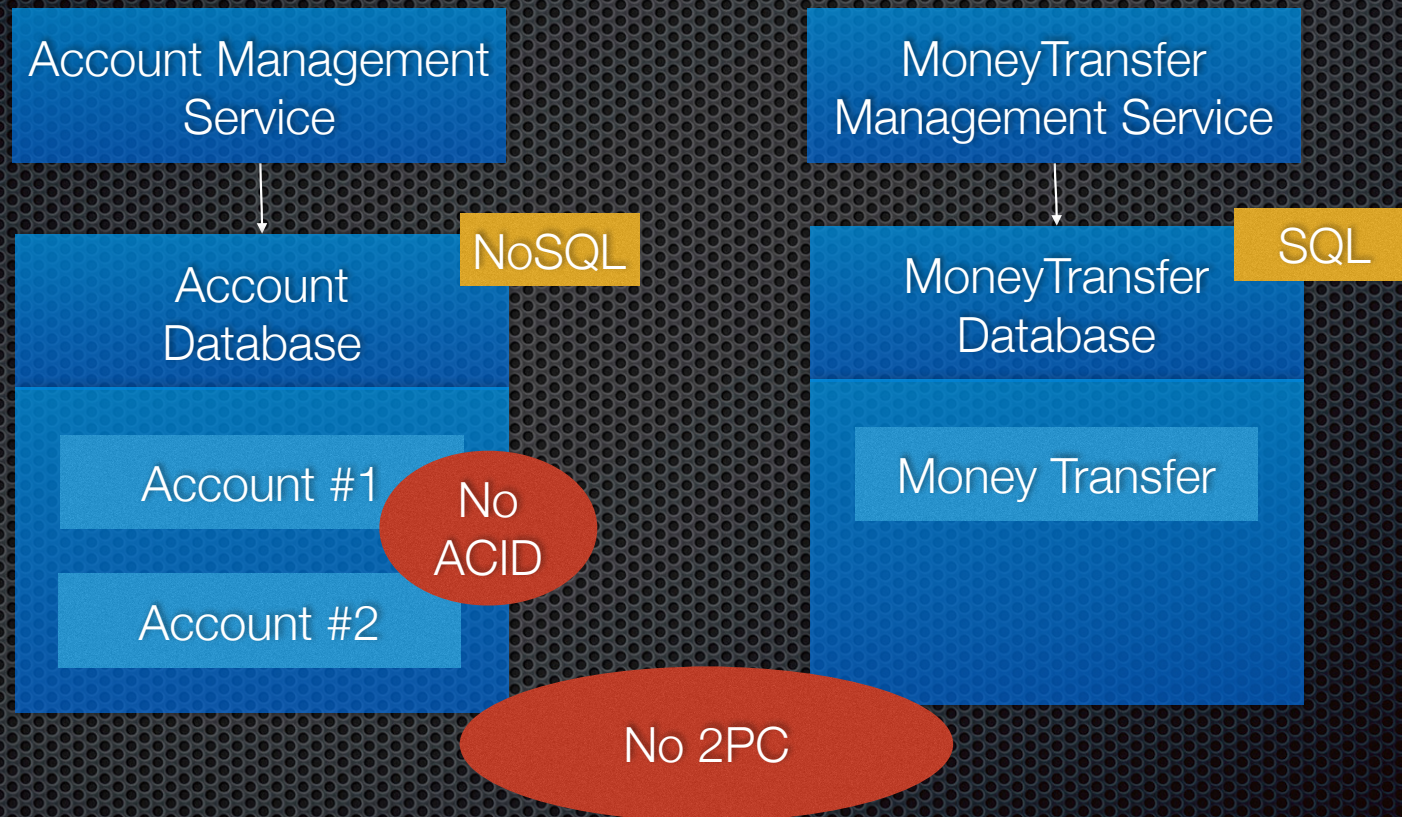
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Today: use a microservice, polyglot architecture



But now we have
distributed data management
problems

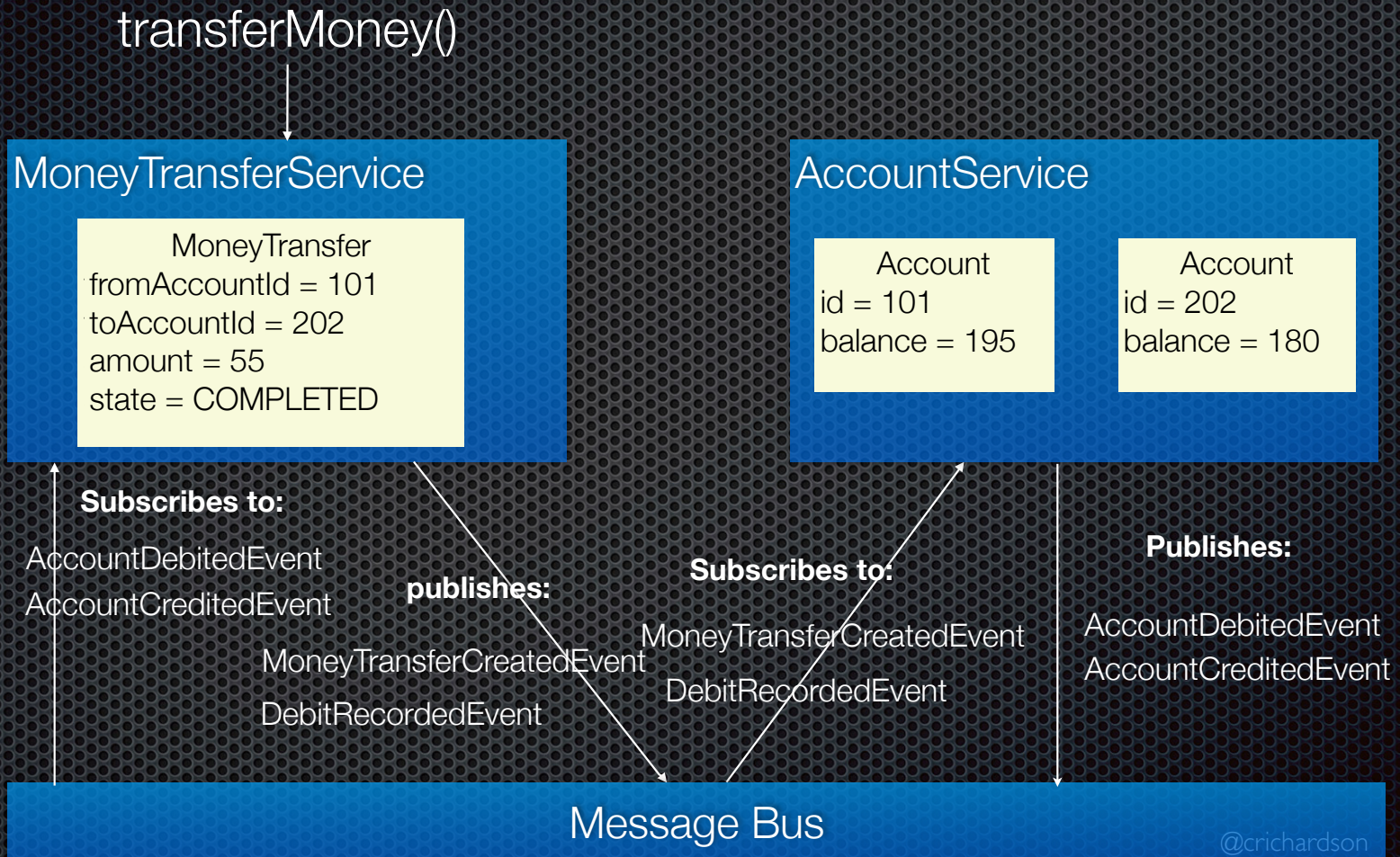
Example: Money transfer



Use an event-driven architecture

- Services **publish** events when state changes
- Services **subscribe** to events and update their state
 - Maintain **eventual consistency** across multiple aggregates (in multiple datastores)
 - Synchronize replicated data

Eventually consistent money transfer



How to
atomically
update the database
and
publish an event
without 2PC?
(dual write problem)

Event sourcing

- For each aggregate:
 - Identify (state-changing) domain events
 - Define Event classes
- For example,
 - Account: AccountOpenedEvent, AccountDebitedEvent, AccountCreditedEvent
 - ShoppingCart: ItemAddedEvent, ItemRemovedEvent, OrderPlacedEvent

Persists events NOT current state

Account
balance
open(initial) debit(amount) credit(amount)



~~Account table~~

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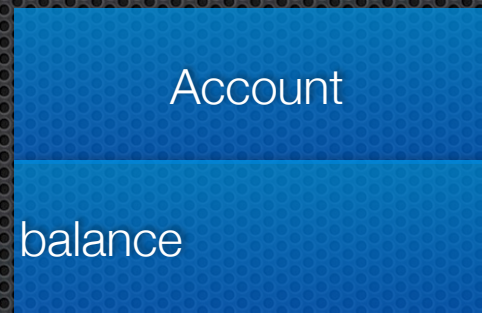
Event table

101	901	AccountOpened	500
101	902	AccountCredited	250
101	903	AccountDebited	300

Replay events to recreate state

Events

AccountOpenedEvent(balance)
AccountDebitedEvent(amount)
AccountCreditedEvent(amount)



Two actions that must be atomic

Before: update state + publish
events



Now: persist (and publish)
events

Single action that can be
done atomically

Optimizing using snapshots

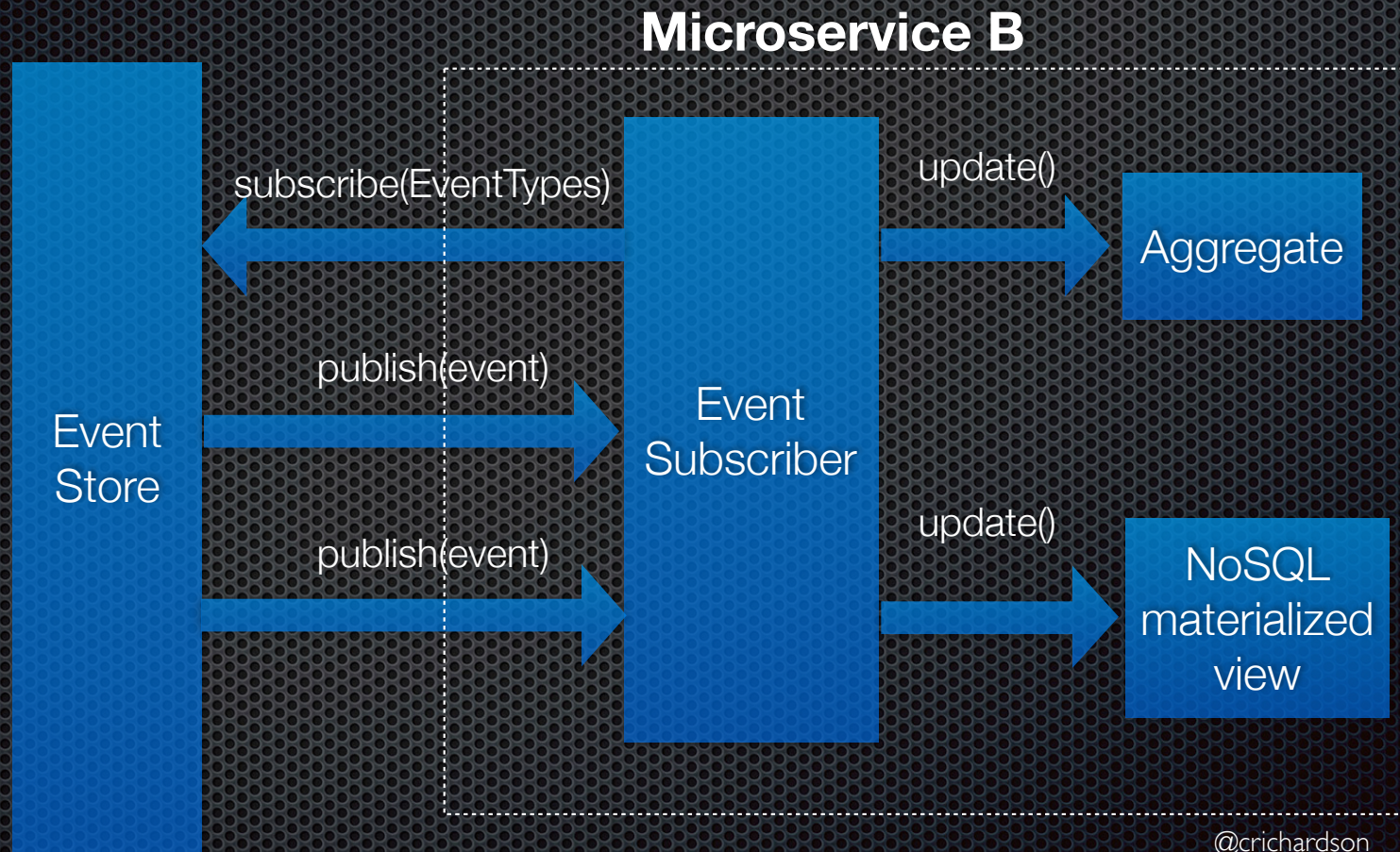
- Most aggregates have relatively few events
- BUT consider a 10-year old Account \Rightarrow many transactions
- Therefore, use snapshots:
 - Periodically save snapshot of aggregate state
 - Typically serialize a memento of the aggregate
 - Load latest snapshot + subsequent events

Request handling in an event-sourced application

Microservice A



Event Store publishes events - consumed by other services



About the event store

- Hybrid database and message broker
 - Retrieve events for an aggregate
 - Append to an aggregates events
 - Subscribe to events
- Event store implementations:
 - Home-grown/DIY
 - geteventstore.com by Greg Young
 - My event store - bit.ly/trialeventuate

Business benefits of event sourcing

- Built-in, reliable audit log
- Enables temporal queries
- Publishes events needed by big data/predictive analytics etc.
- Preserved history ⇒ More easily implement future requirements

Technical benefits of event sourcing

- Solves data consistency issues in a Microservice/NoSQL-based architecture:
 - Atomically save and publish events
 - Event subscribers update other aggregates ensuring eventual consistency
 - Event subscribers update materialized views in SQL and NoSQL databases (more on that later)
- Eliminates O/R mapping problem

Drawbacks of event sourcing

- Weird and unfamiliar
- Events = a historical record of your bad design decisions
- Handling duplicate events can be tricky
- Application must handle eventually consistent data
- Event store only directly supports PK-based lookup (more on that later)

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Use the familiar building blocks of DDD

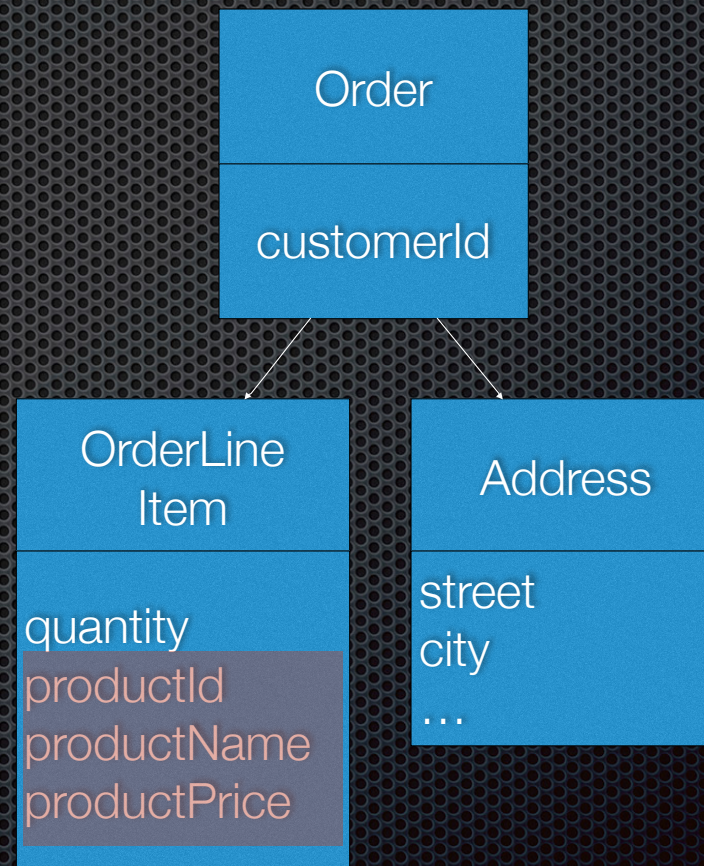
- Entity
- Value object
- Services
- Repositories
- Aggregates

With some differences

Partition the domain model into Aggregates

Aggregate design

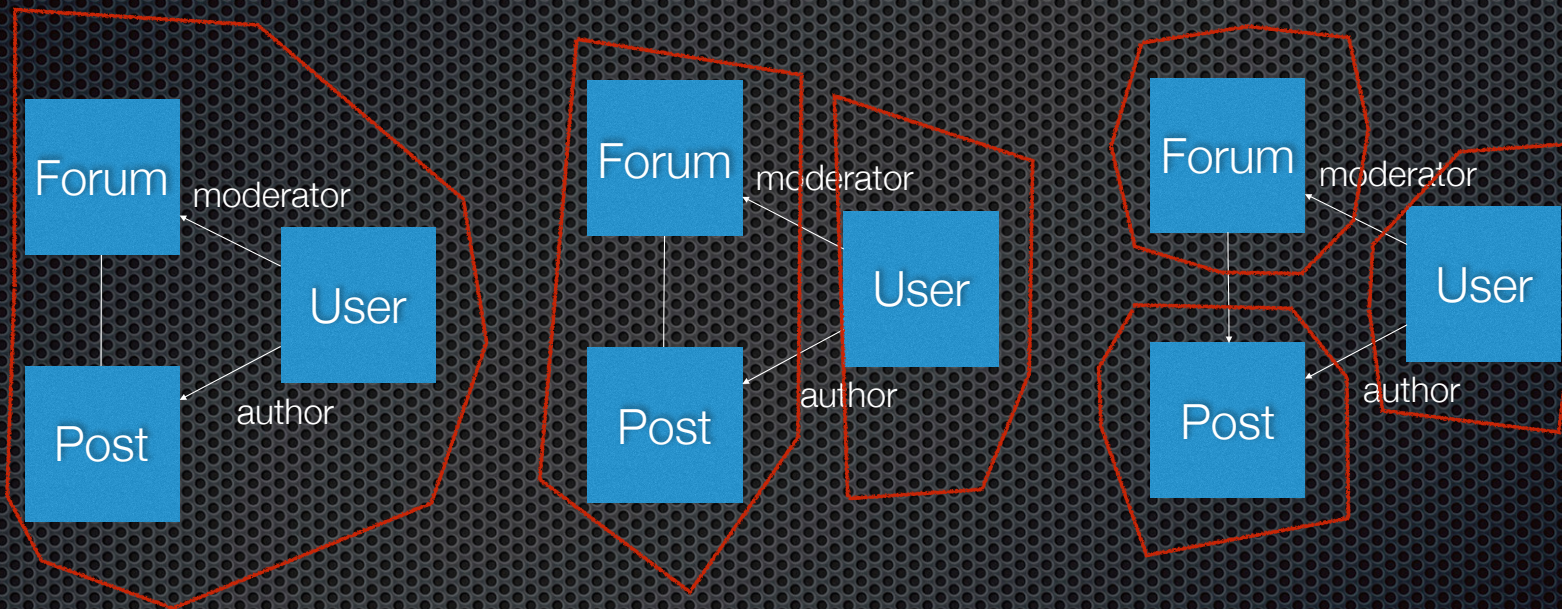
- Graph consisting of a root entity and one or more other entities and value objects
- Each core business entity = Aggregate: e.g. customer, Account, Order, Product,
- Reference other aggregate roots via primary key
- Often contains partial copy of other aggregates' data



Aggregate granularity is important

- Transaction = processing one command by one aggregate
- No opportunity to update multiple aggregates within a transaction
- If an update must be atomic (i.e. no compensating transaction) then it must be handled by a single aggregate
- e.g. scanning boarding pass at security checkpoint or when entering jetway

Aggregate granularity



Consistency



Scalability/
User experience

ES-based Aggregate design

Classic,
mutable
domain model

```
class Account {  
  var balance : Money;  
  
  def debit(amount : Money) {  
    balance = balance - amount  
  }  
}
```

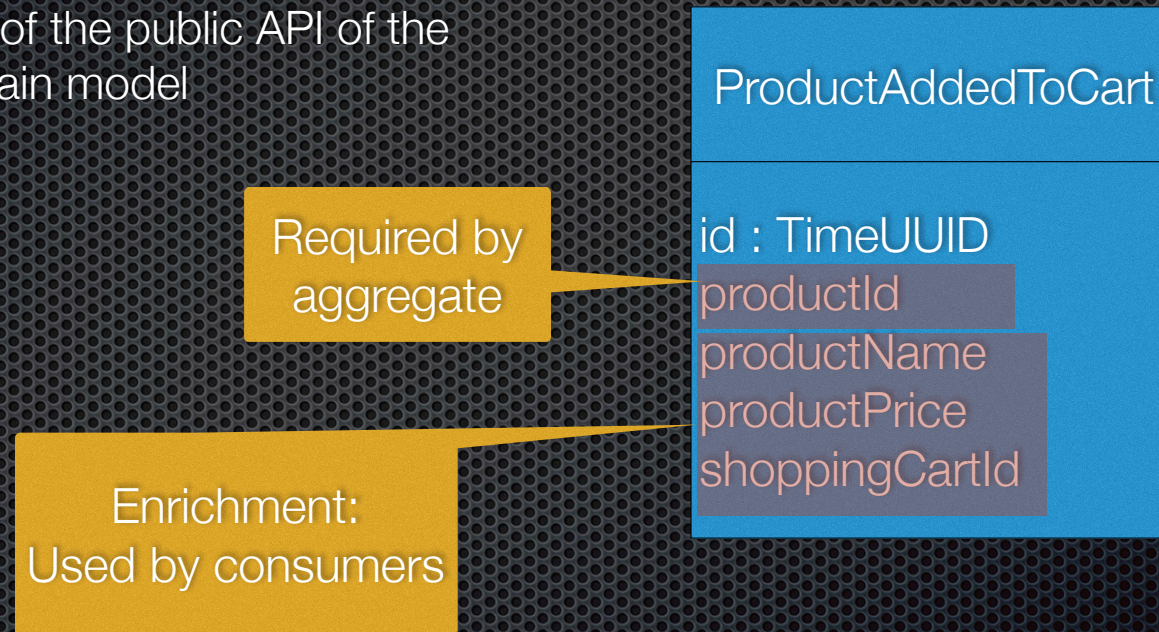


Event centric,
immutable

```
case class Account(balance : Money) {  
  
  def processCommand(cmd : Command) : Seq[Event] = ???  
  
  def applyEvent(event : Event) : Account = ...  
}  
  
case class DebitCommand(amount : Money)  
case class AccountDebitedEvent(amount : Money)
```

Designing domain events

- Record state changes for an aggregate
- Part of the public API of the domain model



Designing commands

- Created by a service from incoming request
- Processed by an aggregate
- Immutable
- Contains value objects for
 - Validating request
 - Creating event
 - Auditing user activity

Events and Commands

```
trait MoneyTransferEvent extends Event
case class MoneyTransferCreatedEvent(details : TransferDetails) extends MoneyTransferEvent
case class DebitRecordedEvent(details : TransferDetails) extends MoneyTransferEvent
case class CreditRecordedEvent(details : TransferDetails) extends MoneyTransferEvent
case class TransferFailedDueToInsufficientFundsEvent() extends MoneyTransferEvent
```

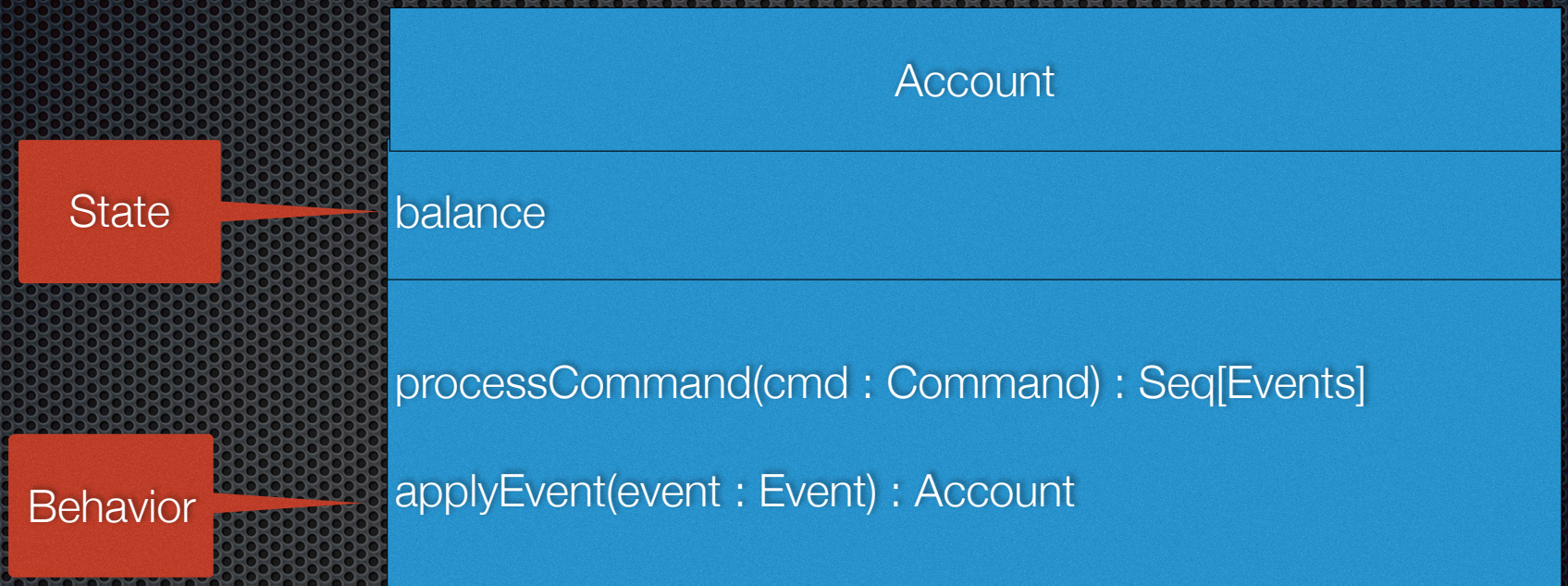
```
object MoneyTransferCommands {
  sealed trait MoneyTransferCommand extends Command

  case class CreateMoneyTransferCommand(details : TransferDetails) extends MoneyTransferCommand
  case class RecordDebitCommand(accountId : EntityId) extends MoneyTransferCommand
  case class RecordDebitFailedDueToInsufficientFundsCommand(accountId : EntityId) extends MoneyTransferCommand
  case class RecordCreditCommand(accountId : EntityId) extends MoneyTransferCommand
}
```

```
case class TransferDetails(fromAccountId : EntityId, toAccountId : EntityId, amount : BigDecimal)
```

Hybrid OO/FP domain objects

OO = State + Behavior



Aggregate traits

Used by
Event Store to
reconstitute
aggregate

Apply event returning
updated Aggregate

```
trait Aggregate[T] { self : T =>
  def applyEvent(event : Event) : T
}

trait CommandProcessingAggregate[T, -CT] extends Aggregate[T] { self : T =>
  def processCommand(command : CT) : Seq[Event]
}
```

Map Command to Events

Account - command processing

```
case class Account(balance : BigDecimal)
  extends PatternMatchingCommandProcessingAggregate[Account, AccountCommand] {

  def this() = this(null)

  def processCommand = {
    case OpenAccountCommand(initialBalance) =>
      Seq(AccountOpenedEvent(initialBalance))

    case CreditAccountCommand(amount, transactionId) =>
      Seq(AccountCreditedEvent(amount, transactionId))

    case DebitAccountCommand(amount, transactionId) if amount <= balance =>
      Seq(AccountDebitedEvent(amount, transactionId))

    case DebitAccountCommand(amount, transactionId) =>
      Seq(AccountDebitFailedDueToInsufficientFundsEvent(amount, transactionId))
  }
}
```

Prevent
overdraft

Account - applying events

```
case class Account(balance : BigDecimal)
  extends PatternMatchingCommandProcessingAggregate[Account, AccountCommand] {

  def this() = this(null)

  def applyEvent = {

    case AccountOpenedEvent(initialBalance) => copy(balance = initialBalance)

    case AccountDebitedEvent(amount, _) => copy(balance = balance - amount)

    case AccountCreditedEvent(amount, _) =>
      copy(balance = balance + amount)

    case AccountDebitFailedDueToInsufficientFundsEvent(amount, _) =>
      this

  }
}
```

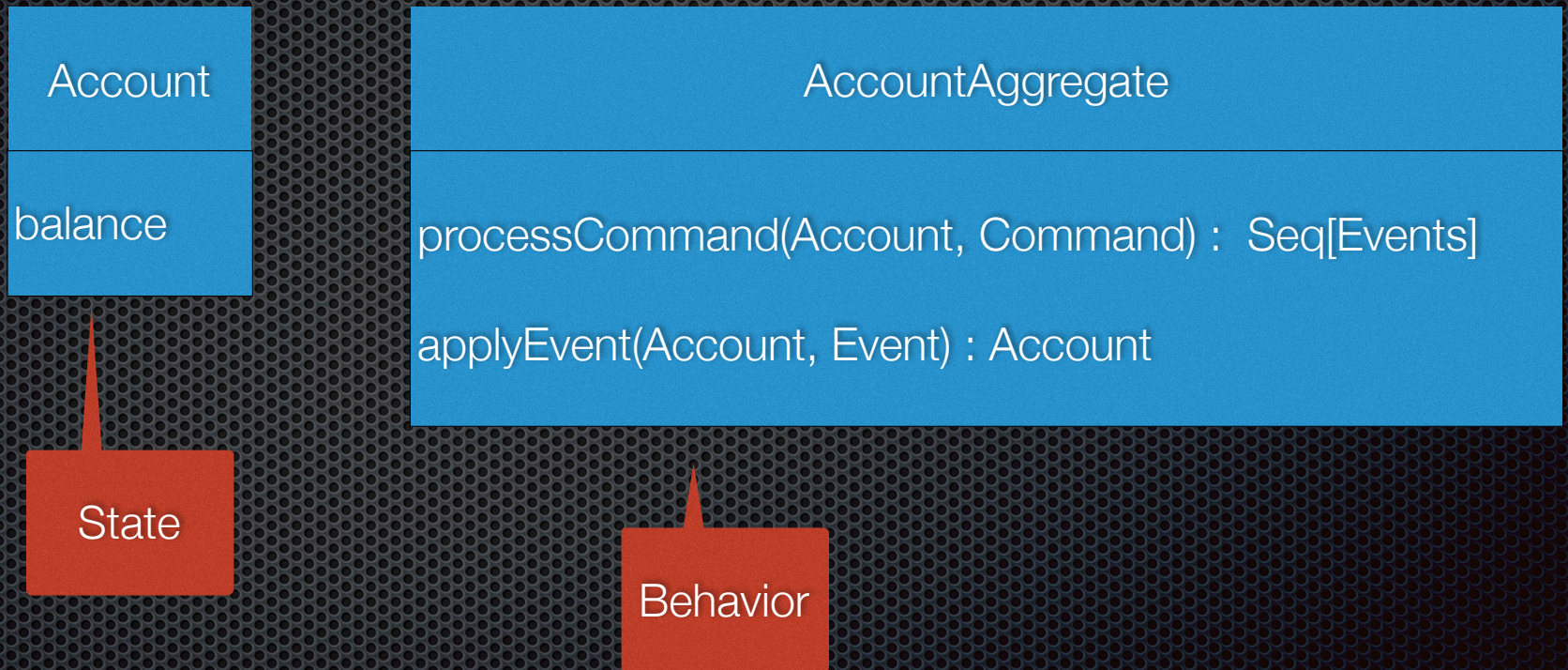
Immutable

Event Store API

```
trait EventStore {  
  
  def save[T <: Aggregate[T]](entity: T, events: Seq[Event],  
    assignedId : Option[EntityId] = None): Future[EntityWithIdAndVersion[T]]  
  
  def update[T <: Aggregate[T]](entityIdAndVersion : EntityIdAndVersion,  
    entity: T, events: Seq[Event]): Future[EntityWithIdAndVersion[T]]  
  
  def find[T <: Aggregate[T] : ClassTag](entityId: EntityId) :  
    Future[EntityWithIdAndVersion[T]]  
  
  def findOptional[T <: Aggregate[T] : ClassTag](entityId: EntityId)  
    Future[Option[EntityWithIdAndVersion[T]]]  
  
  def subscribe(subscriptionId: SubscriptionId):  
    Future[AcknowledgableEventStream]  
}
```

FP-style domain objects

FP = Separation of State and Behavior



Aggregate type classes/implicit

```
trait Aggregate[T] {  
  def newInstance() : T  
  
  def applyEvent(aggregate : T, event : Event) : T  
}
```

Used by
Event Store to
reconstitute
aggregate

```
trait CommandProcessingAggregate[T] extends Aggregate[T] {  
  def processCommand(aggregate : T, command : Command) :  
    Seq[Event]  
}
```

Functional-style Account Aggregate

```
case class Account(balance: BigDecimal)
```

State

Behavior

```
implicit object AccountAggregate
  extends CommandProcessingAggregate[Account] with ModifierBasedAggregate[Account] {

  def newInstance() = Account(null)

  override def processCommand(account: Account, command: Command): Seq[Event] =
    command match {
      case OpenAccountCommand(initialBalance) =>
        Seq(AccountOpenedEvent(initialBalance))

      case CreditAccountCommand(amount, transactionId) =>
        Seq(AccountCreditedEvent(amount, transactionId))

      case DebitAccountCommand(amount, transactionId)
        if amount <= account.balance =>
        Seq(AccountDebitedEvent(amount, transactionId))

      case DebitAccountCommand(amount, transactionId) =>
        Seq(AccountDebitFailedDueToInsufficientFundsEvent(amount, transactionId))
    }
}
```

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  def newInstance() = Account(null)

  override def processCommand(account: Account, command: Command): Seq[Event] =
    command match {...}

  val lenser = Lenser[Account]

  val _balance = lenser(_.balance)

  override def modifier = {
    case AccountOpenedEvent(initialBalance) => _balance.set(initialBalance)
    case AccountDebitedEvent(amount, _) => _balance.modify(_ - amount)
    case AccountCreditedEvent(amount, _) => _balance.modify(_ + amount)
    case AccountDebitFailedDueToInsufficientFundsEvent(amount, _) => unchanged
  }
}
```

Behavior

FP-style event store

Enables inference of
T, and EV

```
trait EventStore {  
  def save[T, EV <: Event](clazz: Class[T], events: Seq[EV], assignedId: Option[EntityId] = None, triggeringEvent: Option[ReceiptHandle] = None  
    (implicit ag : Aggregate[T, EV]) :  
    Future[EntityIdAndVersion]  
  
  def update[T, EV <: Event](clazz: Class[T], entityIdAndVersion: EntityIdAndVersion, events: Seq[Event], triggeringEvent: Option[ReceiptHandle]  
    (implicit ag : Aggregate[T, EV]) :  
    Future[EntityIdAndVersion]  
  
  def find[T, EV <: Event](clazz: Class[T], entityId: EntityId)  
    (implicit ag : Aggregate[T, EV]): Future[EntityWithMetadata[T, EV]]  
  
  def findOptional[T, EV <: Event](clazz: Class[T], entityId: EntityId)  
    (implicit ag : Aggregate[T, EV]): Future[Option[EntityWithMetadata[T, EV]]]  
}
```

Tells ES how to instantiate
aggregate and apply events
=
Strategy

Haskell aggregate

```
class Aggregate s where
  data Error s :: *
  data Command s :: *
  data Event s :: *

  execute :: s -> Command s -> Either (Error s) (Event s)
  apply :: s -> Event s -> s
  seed :: s
```

<https://gjst.github.com/Fristi/7327904>

```
data EventData e = EventData {
  eventId :: Int,
  body :: Event e
}

load :: (Aggregate a) => [EventData a] -> a
load = foldl folder seed
  where
    folder state = apply state . body
```

Haskell TicTacToe aggregate

```
data Game = Game {
  state :: GameState
} deriving (Show, Eq)

instance Aggregate Game where

  data Error Game = NoValidMove deriving (Show, Eq)

  data Event Game = GameCreated
                  | MoveMade Int
                  | GameWon
                  | GameTied deriving (Show, Eq)

  data Command Game = CreateGame | MakeMove Int deriving (Show, Eq)

  _ `execute` CreateGame = Right GameCreated

  Game state `execute` MakeMove k =
    case makeMove k state of
      Nothing -> Left NoValidMove
      Just _ -> Right (MoveMade k)

  -- ...

  state `apply` GameCreated = state

  s `apply` MoveMade k = s { state = fromJust $ makeMove k (state s) }

  state `apply` GameWon = state
  state `apply` GameTied = state

  -- ...

  seed = Game initialState
```

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JavaScript aggregate

```
function Account(){  
  if (!(this instanceof Account)) return new Account();  
  this.entityTypeName = entityType;  
  this.balance = 0;  
}
```

```
Account.prototype.applyEvent = function (event) {  
  var eventType = event.eventType;
```

```
  switch (eventType){  
    case AccountOpenedEvent:  
      this.balance = event.eventData.initialBalance;  
      break;  
    case AccountDebitedEvent:  
      this.balance -= event.eventData.amount;  
      break;
```

```
Account.prototype.processCommand = function (command) {
```

```
  switch (command.commandType){  
    case CreateAccountCommand:  
      return [{  
        eventType: AccountOpenedEvent,  
        eventData: {  
          initialBalance: command.initialBalance,  
          customerId: command.customerId,  
          title: command.title  
        }  
      }];  
      break;  
    case DebitAccountCommand:
```

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Designing services

- Responsibilities and collaborations
 - Invoked by adapter, e.g. HTTP controller
 - Creates a Command
 - Selects new aggregate or existing aggregate to process command
- Load aggregate from same bounded context, e.g. Add a Post to a Forum - load forum
- Load data from another other bounded context, e.g. addProductToCart()
 - Requests ProductInfo from ProductService
 - Invokes PricingService to calculate discount price
- Sometimes loads target aggregate before creating command
 - e.g. addProductToCart() needs contents of shopping cart to calculate discounted price of product to add

Money transfer example

Story

As a customer of the bank
I want to transfer money between two bank accounts
So that I don't have to write a check

Scenario

Given that my open savings account balance is \$150
Given that my open checking account balance is \$10
When I transfer \$50 from my savings account
 to my checking account
Then my savings account balance is \$100
Then my checking account balance is \$60
Then a MoneyTransfer was created

Pre
conditions

Post
conditions

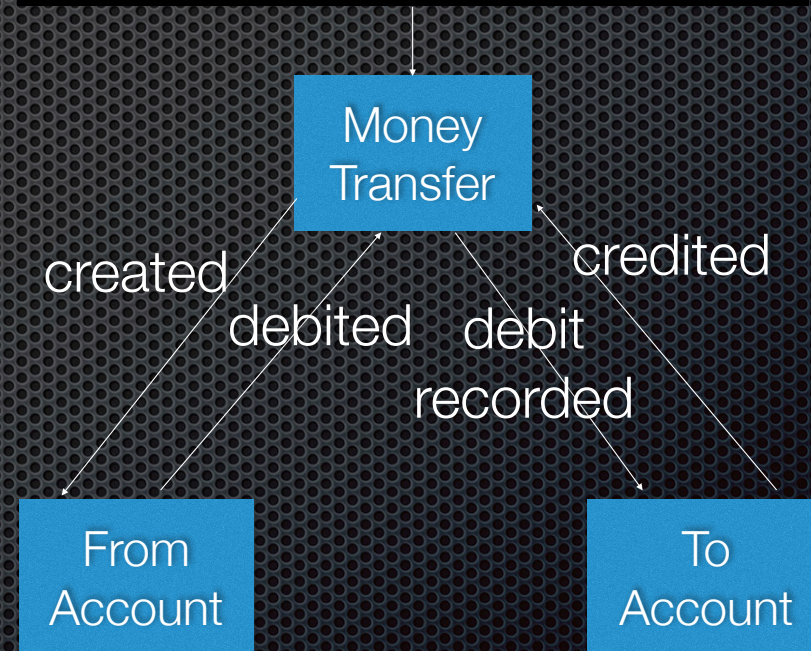
Old-style ACID...

```
public class MoneyTransferServiceImpl ...{  
  
    private final AccountRepository accountRepository;  
    private final MoneyTransferRepository moneyTransferRepository;  
  
    ...  
    @Transactional  
    public MoneyTransfer transfer(  
        String fromAccountId, String toAccountId,  
        double amount) throws MoneyTransferException {  
        Account fromAccount =  
            accountRepository.findAccount(fromAccountId);  
        Account toAccount =  
            accountRepository.findAccount(toAccountId);  
        // ... Verify accounts are open ...  
        fromAccount.debit(amount);  
        toAccount.credit(amount);  
        return moneyTransferRepository.createMoneyTransfer(  
            fromAccount, toAccount, amount);  
    }  
}
```

... becomes eventually consistent (BASE)

- Updating multiple aggregates
 - multi-step, event-driven flow
 - each step updates one Aggregate
- Service creates saga to coordinate workflow
 - A state machine
 - Part of the domain, e.g. MoneyTransfer aggregate
 - OR Synthetic aggregate
- Post-conditions eventually true

```
public MoneyTransfer transfer() {  
    ... Creates MoneyTransfer ...  
}
```



Need compensating transactions

- Pre-conditions might be false when attempting to update an aggregate
- For example: an account might be closed transferring money:
 - *from account* when debiting \Rightarrow stop transfer
 - *to account* \Rightarrow reverse the debit
 - *from account* when attempting reversal \Rightarrow bank wins!

MoneyTransferService

Remoting
proxy

```
class MoneyTransferService(implicit eventStore: EventStore) {  
  
  def transferMoney(transferDetails: TransferDetails, accountService: AccountService) =  
    accountService.findAccountById(transferDetails.fromAccountId) zip  
    accountService.findAccountById(transferDetails.toAccountId) flatMap {  
      case (fromAccount, toAccount) =>  
        if (!fromAccount.open)  
          throw new AccountClosedException()  
        if (!toAccount.open)  
          throw new AccountClosedException()  
        newEntity[MoneyTransfer] <== CreateMoneyTransferCommand(transferDetails)  
    }  
}
```

DSL concisely specifies:

1. Creates Account aggregate
2. Processes command
3. Applies events
4. Persists events

Event handling in Account

Triggers BeanPostProcessor

Durable subscription name

```
@EventSubscriber(id = "accountEventHandlers")
class TransferWorkflowAccountHandlers(eventStore: EventStore) extends CompoundEventHandler {

  implicit val es = eventStore

  @EventHandlerMethod
  val performDebit =
    handlerForEvent[MoneyTransferCreatedEvent] { de =>
      existingEntity[Account](de.event.details.fromAccountId) <==
        DebitAccountCommand(de.event.details.amount, de.entityId)
    }

  @EventHandlerMethod
  val performCredit = handlerForEvent[DebitRecordedEvent] { de =>
    existingEntity[Account](de.event.details.toAccountId) <==
      CreditAccountCommand(de.event.details.amount, de.entityId)
  }
}
```

1. Load Account aggregate
2. Processes command
3. Applies events
4. Persists events

JavaScript service

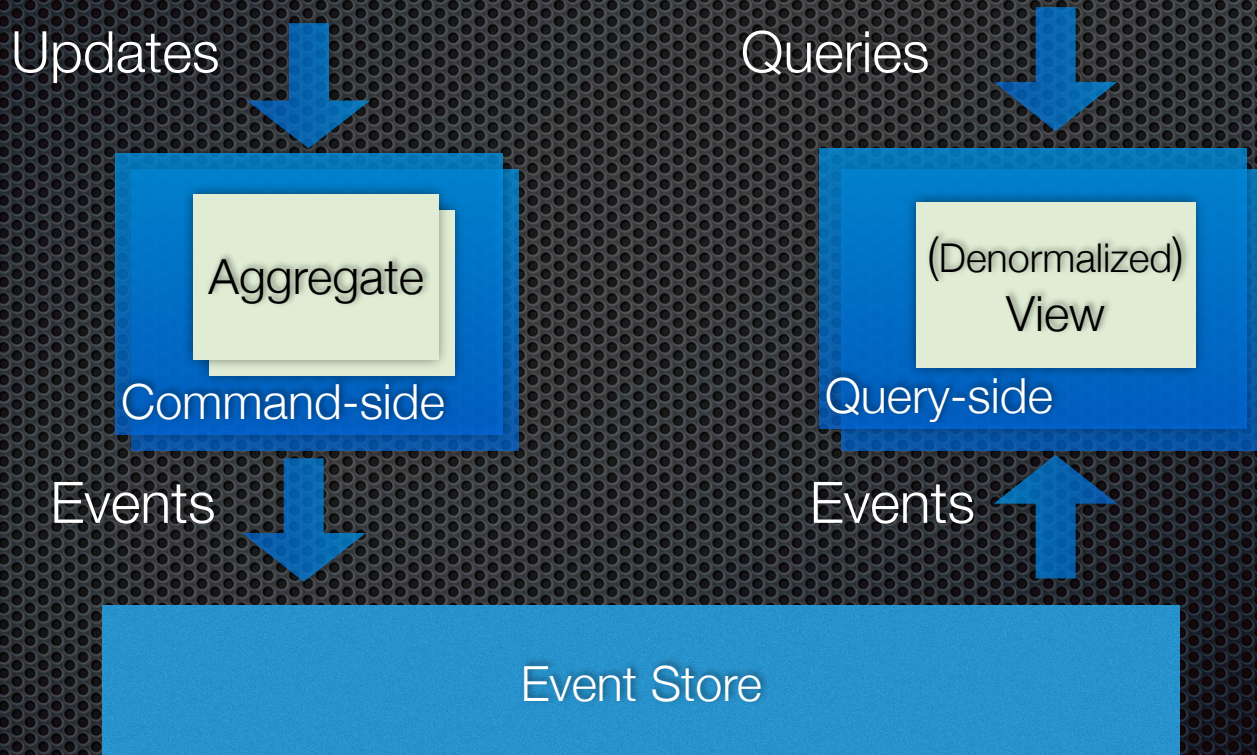
```
AccountService.prototype.createAccount = function (initialBalance, customerId, title, callback){  
  var command = { commandType: Account.CreateAccountCommand, initialBalance: initialBalance, customerId: customerId, title: title };  
  this.esUtil.createEntity(Account.Account, command, callback);  
};
```

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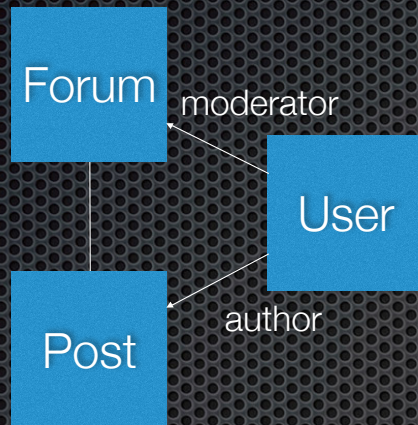
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based lookup
Therefore....

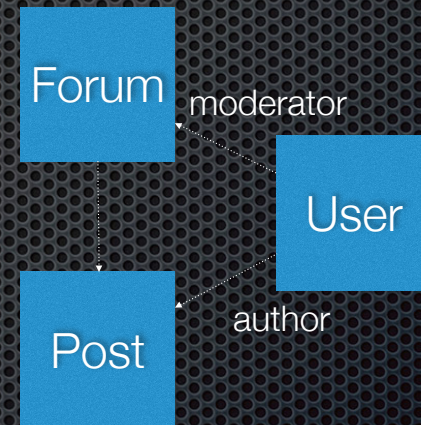
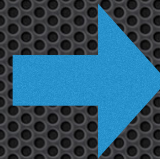
ES+CQRS-based microservices architecture



Modular domain model

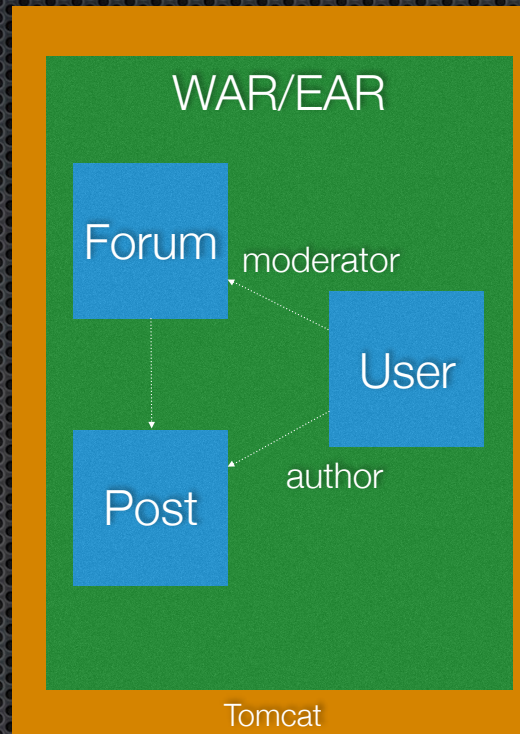


Tightly coupled
ACID



Loosely coupled aggregates
Eventually consistent

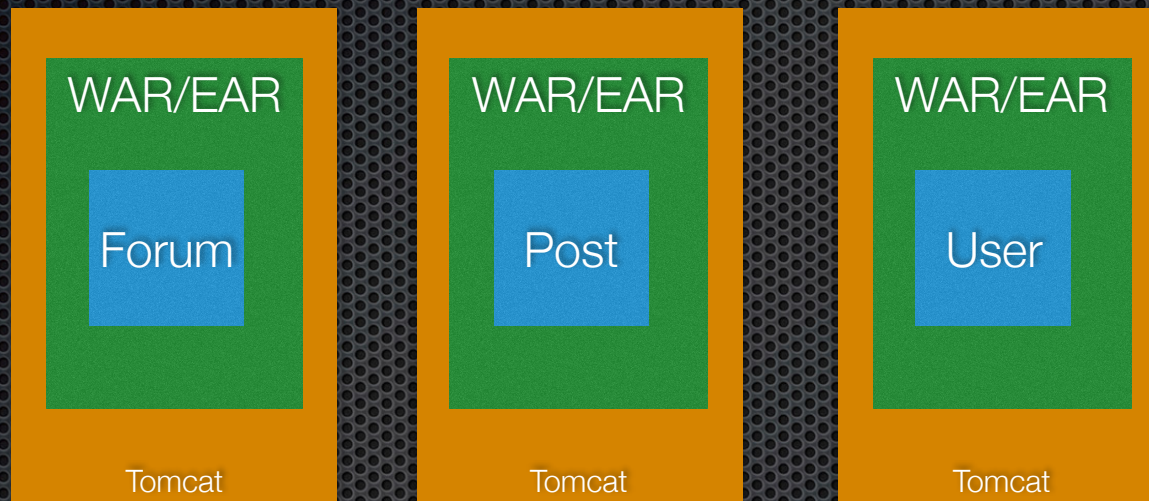
MonolithicFirst approach



Not entirely free though -
Event Sourcing premium

But no Big Ball of Mud to
untangle

Microservices deployment



*Much higher -
microservices premium*

Summary

- Event sourcing solves a variety of problems in modern application architectures
- Scala is a great language for implementing ES-based domain models:
 - Case classes
 - Pattern matching
 - Recreating state = functional fold over events
- But Java, JavaScript and Haskell work too!
- ES-based architecture = flexible deployment

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