

# Hello DF23

Nice to meet you



*Building a Strong Foundation for Your  
Modern .NET Project*



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Working with

- Umbraco
- MACH
- .NET





## *Design fase*

We need to design.

We need to think.

We need to discard.

We need to start.

# A Strong Foundation

# Looking at construction



We're similar to the construction world.

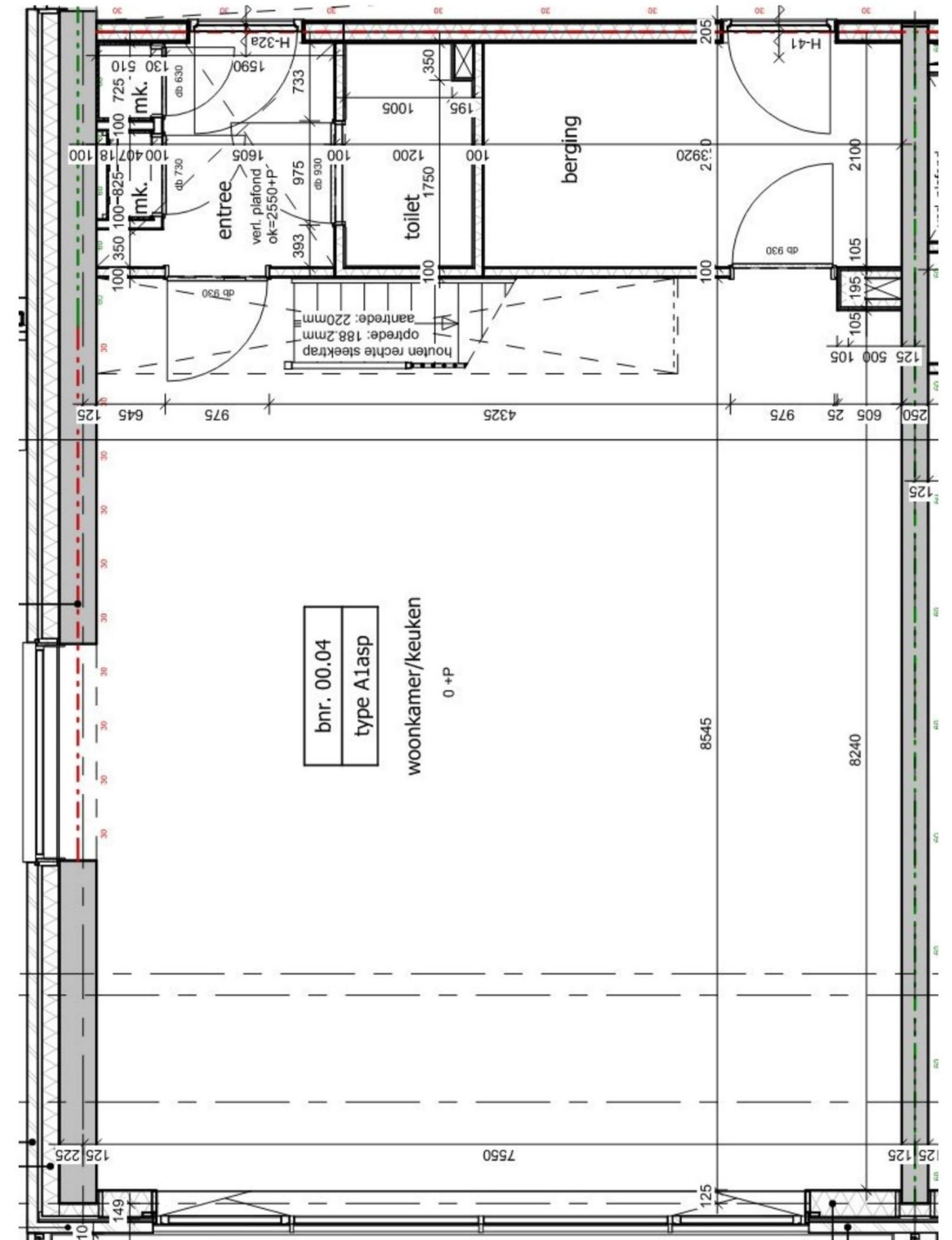
- They plan
- They build
- They maintain

# Comparing a floor plan

Create a floorplan that suites your application.

- The doors is for outgoing information
- The windows is for incoming information
- The toilet is our trashbin
- The storage room is our... database

This is our architecture



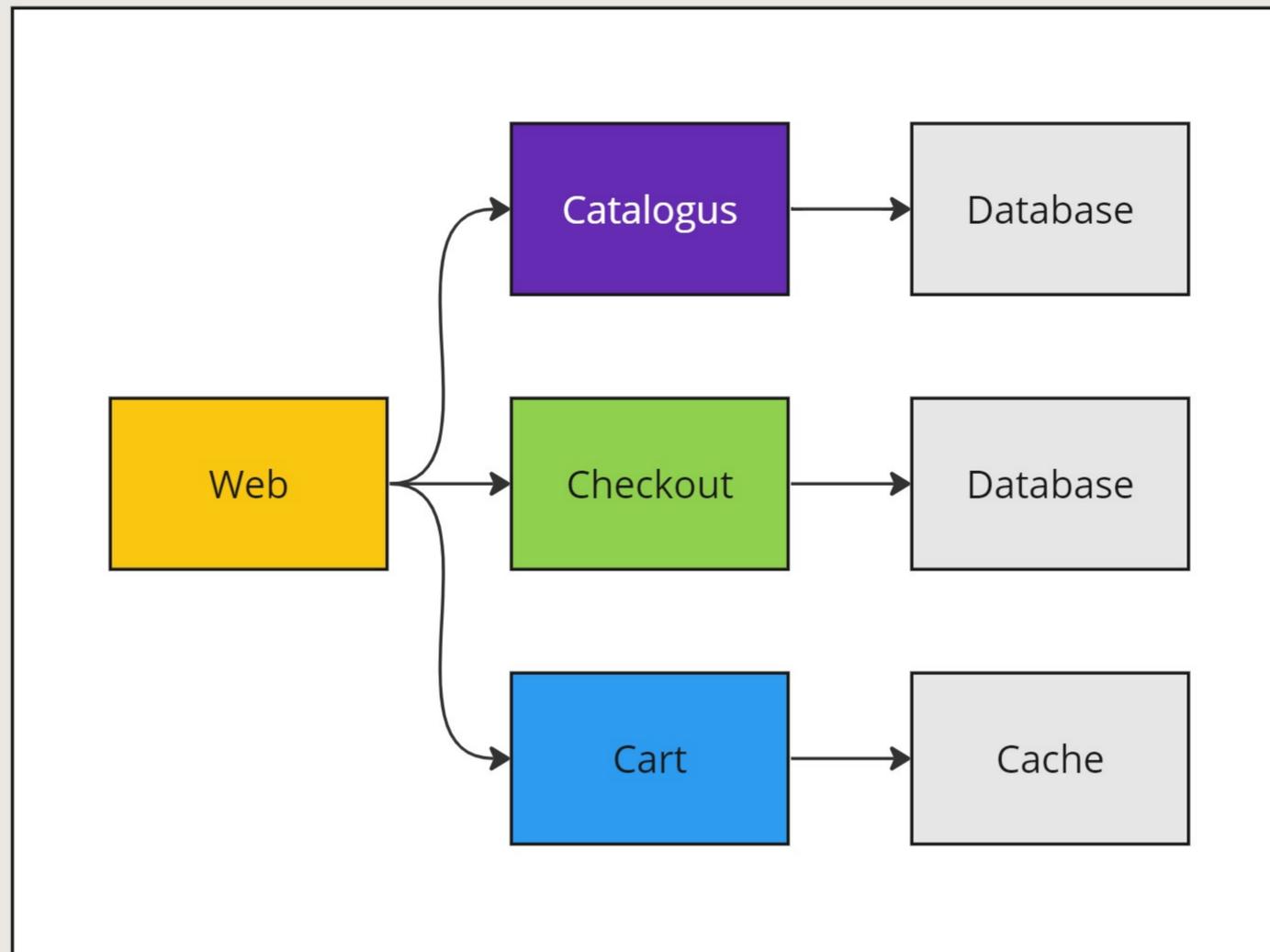
# Software architecture vs design



Architecture is the concern of the whole.

Design is the concern of the individual component.

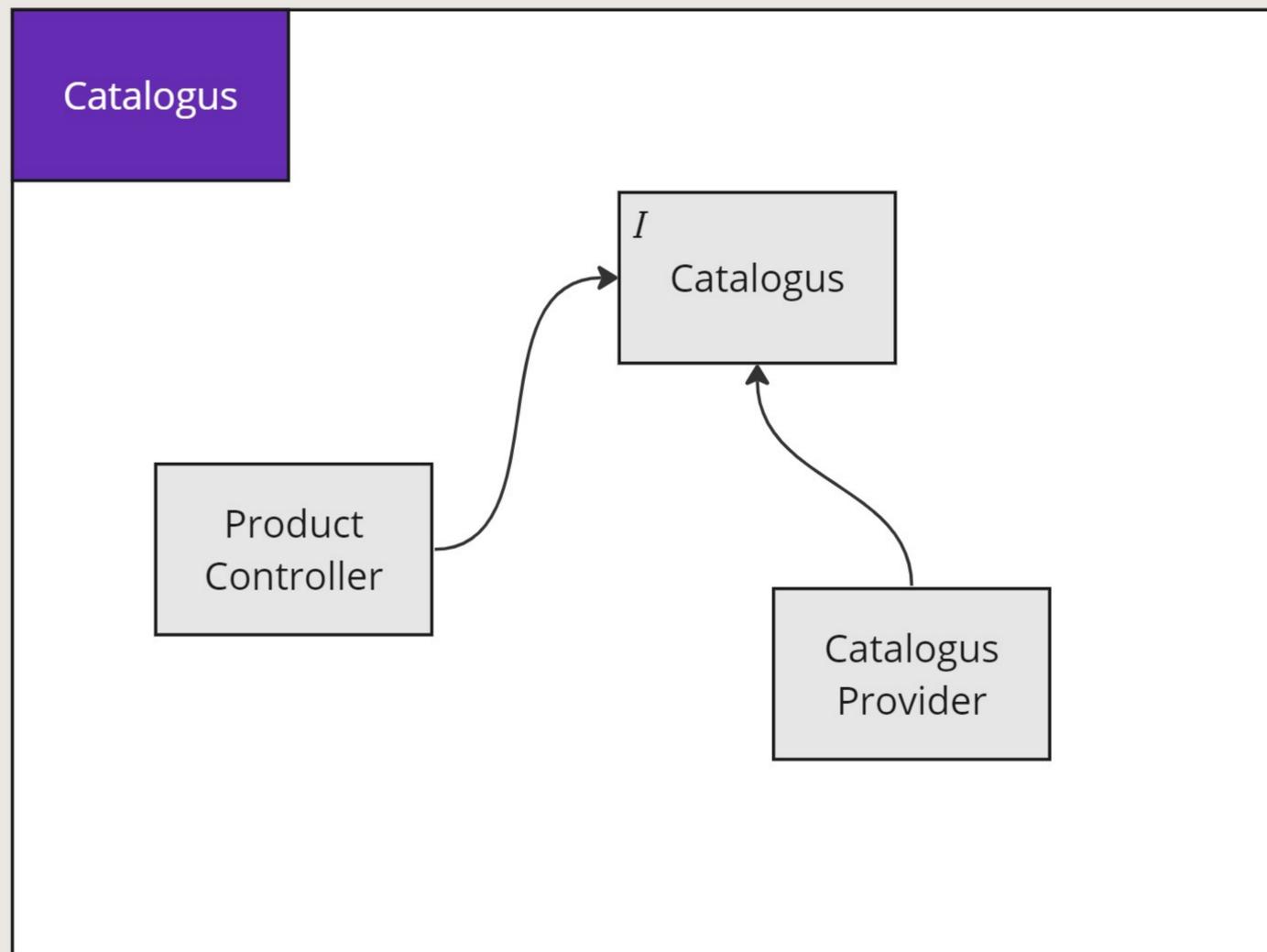
# Architecture



A high level abstract overview of the system. We think about:

- Maintenance
- Performance
- Application quality

# Design



A detailed specification of a software component.

It's a design plan to implement the component.



# The Wrong Foundation

# *There is no such thing if*



A foundation is never wrong if its purpose is met.

A foundation is 'wrong' when the purpose changes.

## *When does the purpose change?*

The foundation was build for this house. It's purpose is met.



## *When does the purpose change?*

The foundation for this house has to be extended in order to fit the villa.



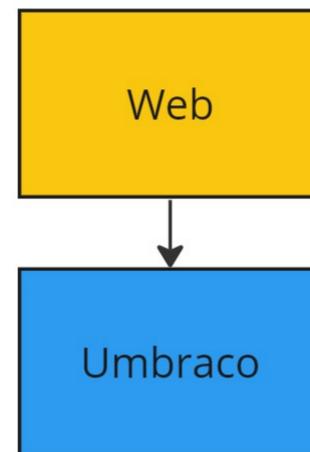
*When does the purpose change?*

Does the foundation allow for this skyscraper to stand?

When will it fall in to the ground?

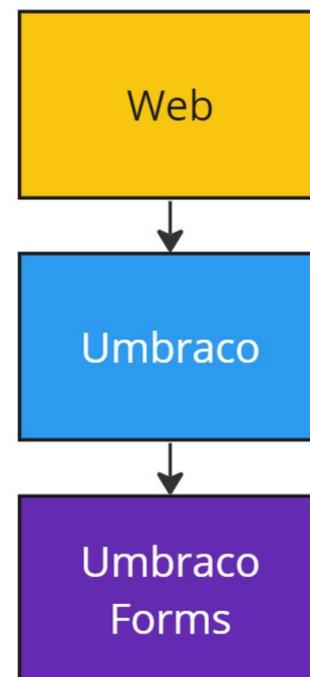


# Software is no different



A website for a bakery, producing for the local population. They'll have a simple website with some content, contact information and opening times.

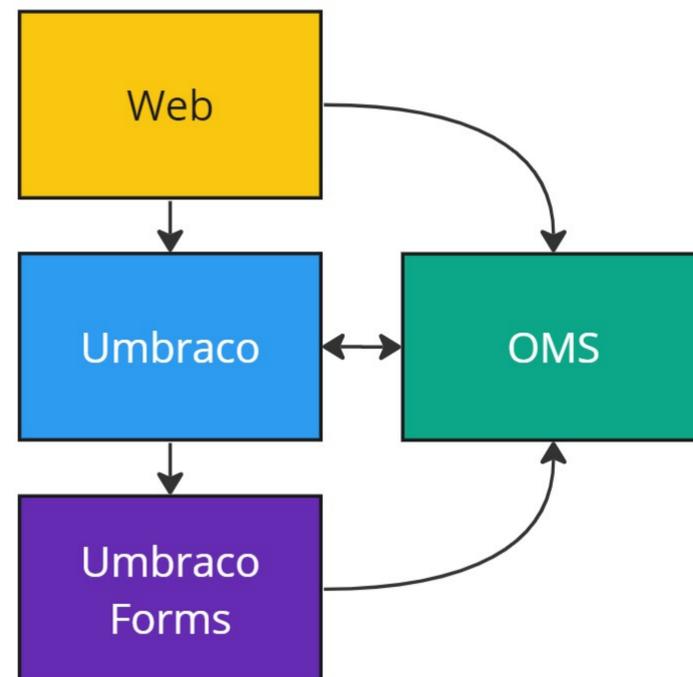
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They won an award for their amazing cakes. People are ordering from the bakery like crazy.

They decide to add a ordering system using Umbraco Forms to handle orders by e-mail.

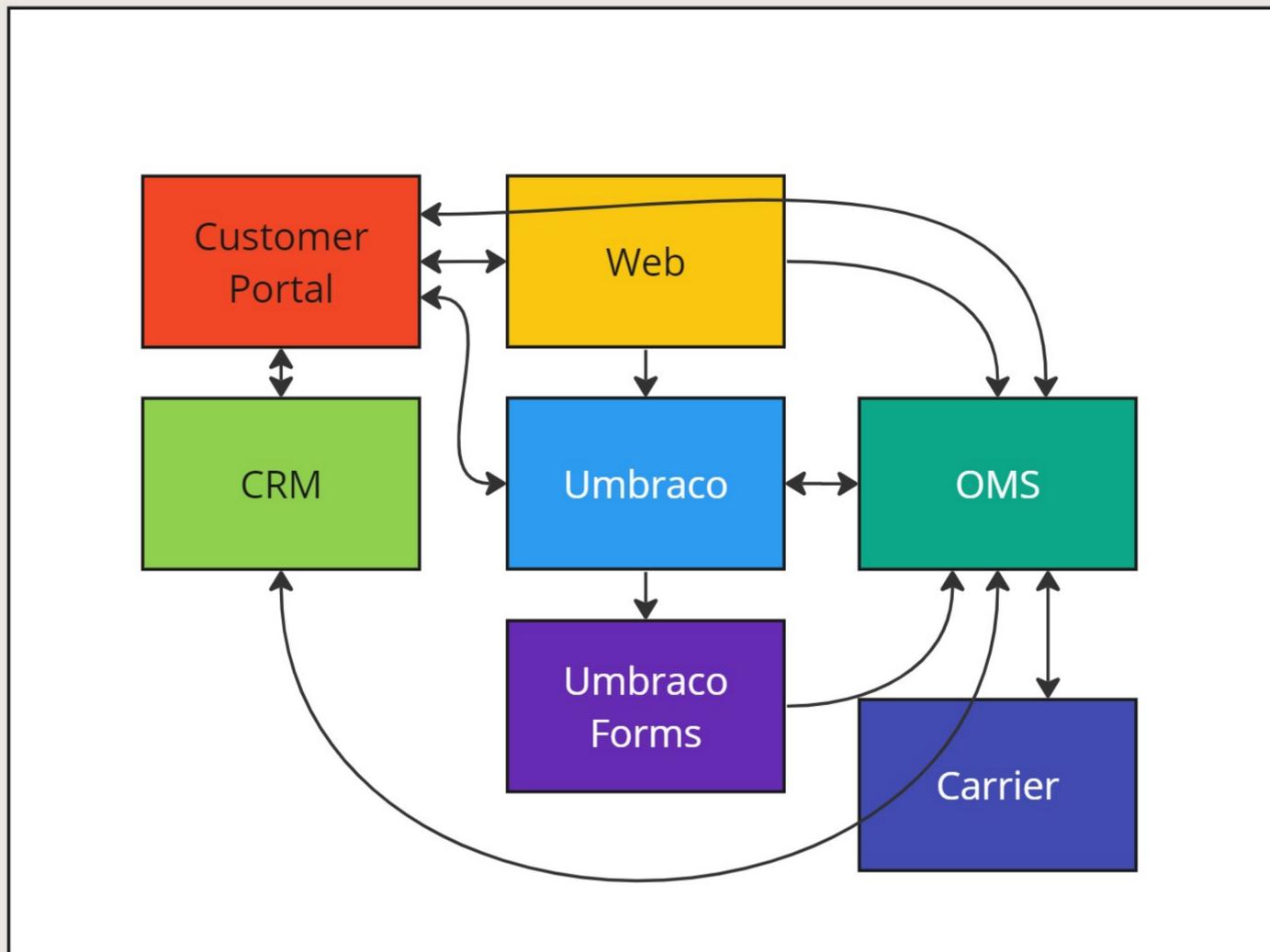
# Software is no different



The throughput is too high, Umbraco Forms is no longer practical to handle orders manually. They'll need an automated system and get their products on the website.

They decide to add an OMS which communicates with Umbraco to show the latest delivery times and prices.

# Software is no different



The bakery has grown to a company. A lot of supermarkets now sell their cakes. They implement a CRM for sales tracking. They also developed a customer portal so customers can track their orders. They also need to keep their carrier up-to-date on orders.

## *What happened?*

The application became the skyscraper.

The foundation was not wrong, the purpose of the application changed.

It required the foundation to grow with it. And this is not uncommon.



## *Boom*

In the real world the building will collapse.

In our world the application will

- be unstable
- be hard to maintain
- be slow
- be resource intensive
- fail when one module fails



You'll end up with an architecture if you want to or not.

If you don't choose it, it won't fit.

*Choose your  
architecture*



# Foundational Guidelines



# *What can we do along the way?*

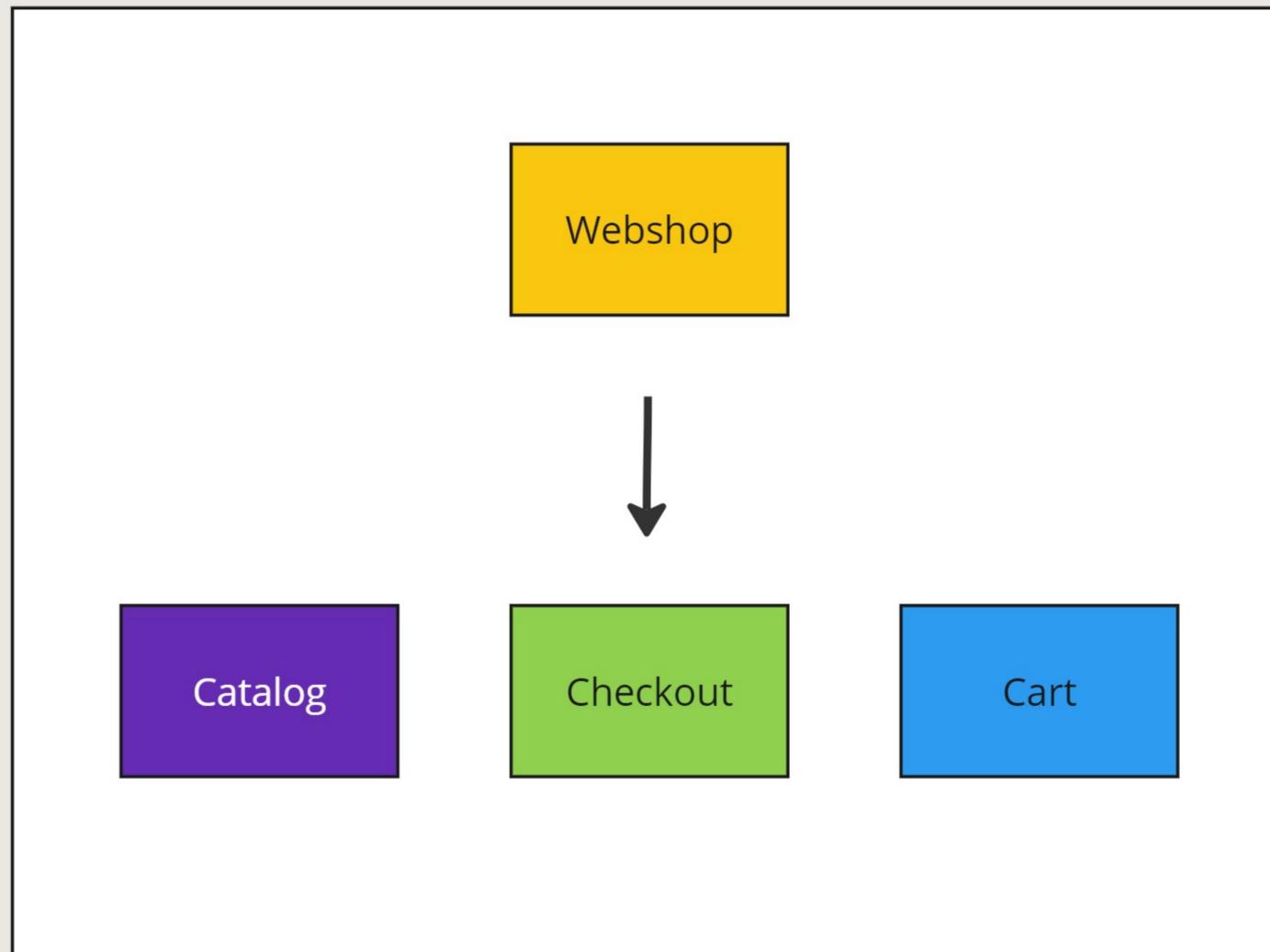


When the purpose changes the architecture might need to grow.

You should always adhere to the following principles.

These principles are abstract and have no limits.

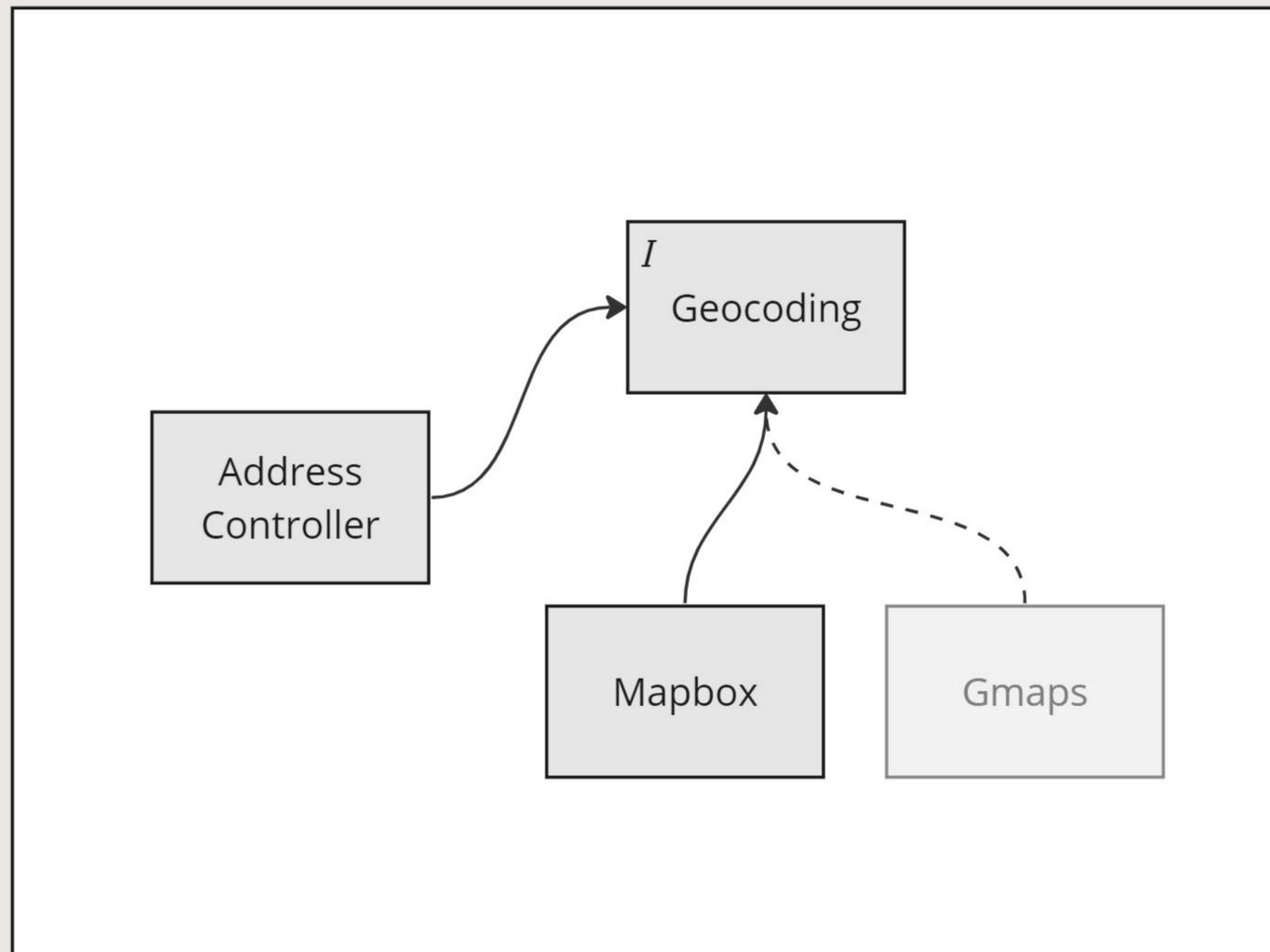
# Single Responsibility Principle



A module should have only one reason to change.

It should do things in the scope of a single subject.

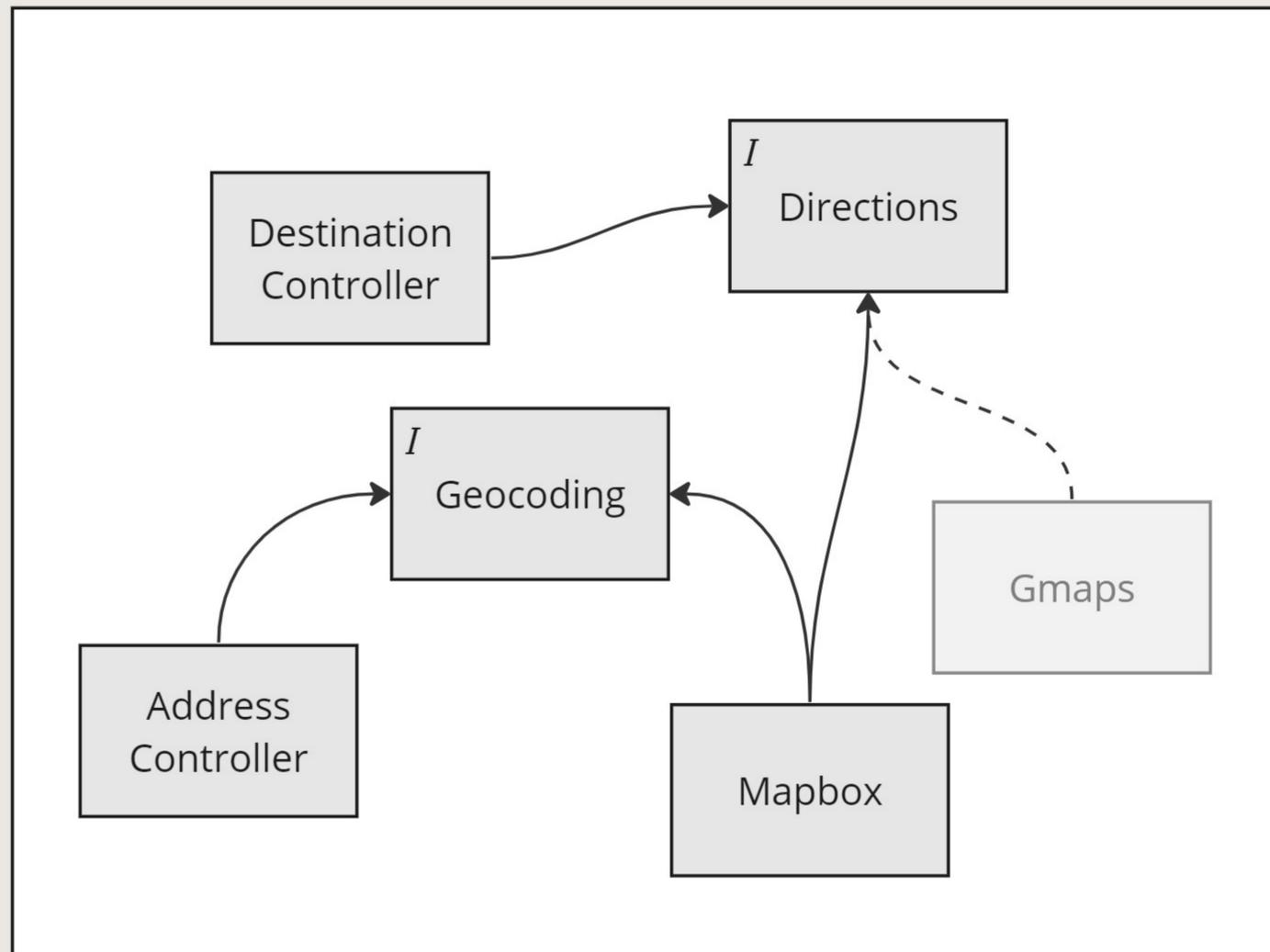
# Dependency Inversion Principle



High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules.

It will decouple the low-level implementation from the high-level components.

# Interface Segregation Principle



Clients should not be forced to depend on interfaces they do not use.

If the SRP and DIP had a child.

# Applying Principles



All the principles

- Single Responsibility Principle
- Dependency Inversion Principle
- Interface Segregation Principle

# Keeping options open



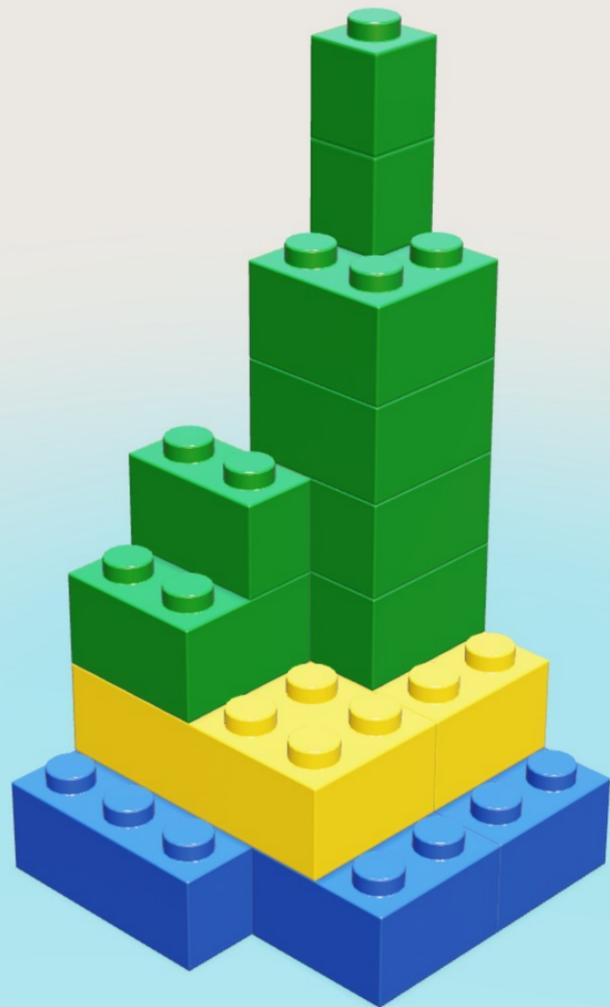
Separating the system into components with a single responsibility.

Isolating components through interfaces.

We open the pathways for the future.

# Architecture

# *The monolith*

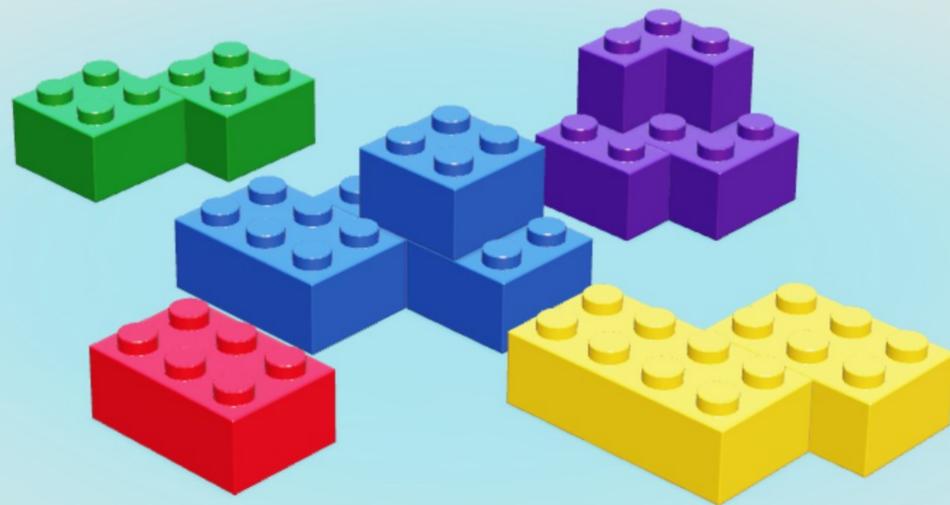


A monolith is a fine architecture for small applications.

It will get bigger when the applications grows.

Then it will become the skyscraper with all it's problems, the monolith.

# *Composable*



Composable is decoupling the application.

We'll separate modules in to their own applications. Keeping their dependencies loosely coupled.

It won't be a monolith.

# *Umbraco & Architecture*



When choosing an architecture it must support

- use cases of the system
- maintenance
- development
- deployment



## *Implementation fase*

We need to code.

We need to commit.

We need to *blame*.

We need to accept.

# Applying Umbraco

# *Let's dive in to Umbraco*



How can we adhere to the principles when working with Umbraco?



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## *Defining a document*

We are defining a homepage.

I see two concerns here, we should separate it.

The screenshot shows a design tool interface for defining a document structure. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a home icon, the text "Homepage", a lock icon, and the text "homepage". Below the navigation bar, there is a "Design" tab. The main content area is titled "Content" and contains four sections, each with a lock icon, a label, a description, and a corresponding widget:

- title**: Description "Enter a description...", widget "Textstring".
- introduction**: Description "Enter a description...", widget "Textarea".
- image**: Description "Enter a description...", widget "Image Media Picker".
- body**: Description "Enter a description...", widget "Richtext editor".

At the bottom of the content area, there is a dashed box containing the text "Add property".

## *Defining a document*

A composition is an interface.

We can reuse it.

It follows the single responsibility principle.



Page Base - Header

pageBaseHeader

Enter a description...

+ Add tab

Header

title

Textstring \* Mandatory

Title

Enter a description...

introduction

Textarea \* Mandatory

Introduction

Enter a description...

image

Image Media Picker

Image

Enter a description...

Add property

## *Defining a document*

We can apply our composition to multiple document types.

The composition will create an interface in the Models Builder.

This will allow our code to follow the dependency inversion principle.

The screenshot displays the Models Builder interface for defining a document. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a home icon, the text 'Homepage', a search bar 'Enter a description...', and a lock icon labeled 'homepage2'. On the right side of the navigation bar, there are three buttons: 'Design' (highlighted with a red underline), 'List view', and 'Permissions'. Below the navigation bar, there is a '+ Add tab' button on the left and 'Compositions...' and '+ R...' buttons on the right. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Header' and 'Content'. The 'Header' section contains three properties: 'title' (Textstring, \* Mandatory, Inherited from Page Base - Header), 'introduction' (Textarea, \* Mandatory, Inherited from Page Base - Header), and 'image' (Image Media Picker, Inherited from Page Base - Header). Each property has a description field 'Enter a description...' and a visual representation of the property type. Below the 'Header' section is a dashed box with the text 'Add property'. The 'Content' section contains one property: 'body' (Richtext editor, \* Mandatory, Inherited from Page Base - Header). It has a description field 'Enter a description...' and a visual representation of a rich text editor with a toolbar showing 'Normal', 'B', 'I', and other formatting options. Below the 'Content' section is another dashed box with the text 'Add property'.

## *Defining a document*

Create a composition for every element.

Follow the interface segregation principle.

-  Page Base Element - Author (not required)
-  Page Base Element - Bread Text
-  Page Base Element - Context Subtitle
-  Page Base Element - CTA
-  Page Base Element - Header Image
-  Page Base Element - Heritage Header Image
-  Page Base Element - Intro Text
-  Page Base Element - Intro Text (not required)
-  Page Base Element - Overview Page Component
-  Page Base Element - OverviewPage Page Components
-  Page Base Element - Publication Date
-  Page Base Element - Second Intro Text
-  Page Base Element - SEO & Socials
-  Page Base Element - Taggable
-  Page Base Element - Title
-  Page Base Element - Title (not required)

## Defining a document

We've split up the components and isolated them with interfaces.

Partial views will be written against the compositions interface.

Keeping our options open to changes.

Detail Pagina - Blog blogDetailPage

Design List view Permissions Templates

Generic SEO & Socials Add tab Compositions... Reorder

Content Inherited from Page Base Element - Title Page Base Element - Intro Text Page Base Element - Header Image Page Base Element - Taggable Page Base Element - Publication Date Page Base Element - Author (not required) Page Base Element - Wandel Page Components Page Base Element - Bread Text Page Base Element - CTA Page Base Element - Second Intro Text

title **Titel** Textstring \* Mandatory Inherited from Page Base Element - Title

intro **Intro** Textarea \* Mandatory Inherited from Page Base Element - Intro Text

headerImage **Header Afbeelding** Content Page Header Image Picker Inherited from Page Base Element - Header Image

secondIntro **Tweede Intro** Rich Text Editor - Simple Inherited from Page Base Element - Second Intro Text

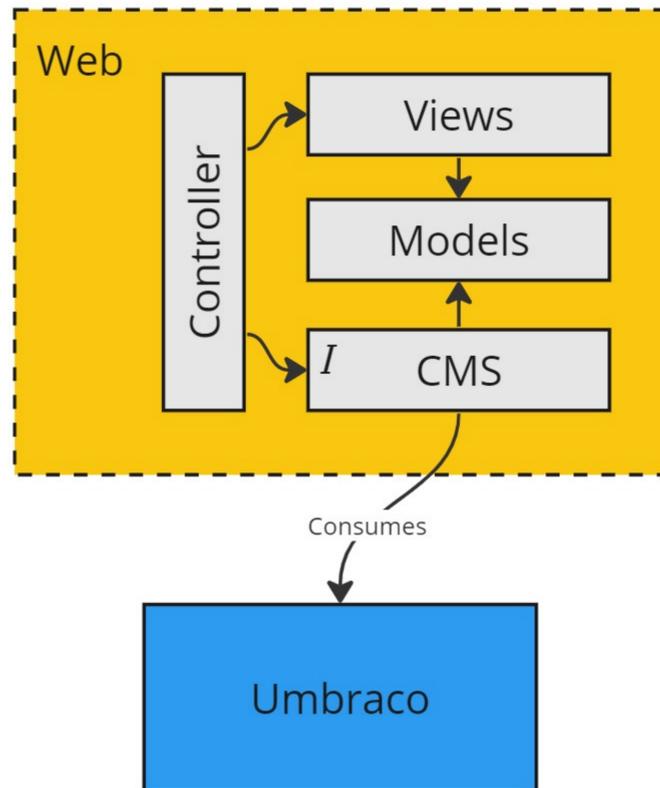
callToAction **Call To Action** Single Url Picker Inherited from Page Base Element - CTA

breadText **Brood Tekst** Rich Text Editor - Simple Inherited from Page Base Element - Bread Text

publicationDate **Publicatiedatum** Date Picker \* Mandatory Inherited from Page Base Element - Publication Date

author Author Multinode Treepicker Inherited from Page Base Element - Author (not required)

# Decouple Umbraco

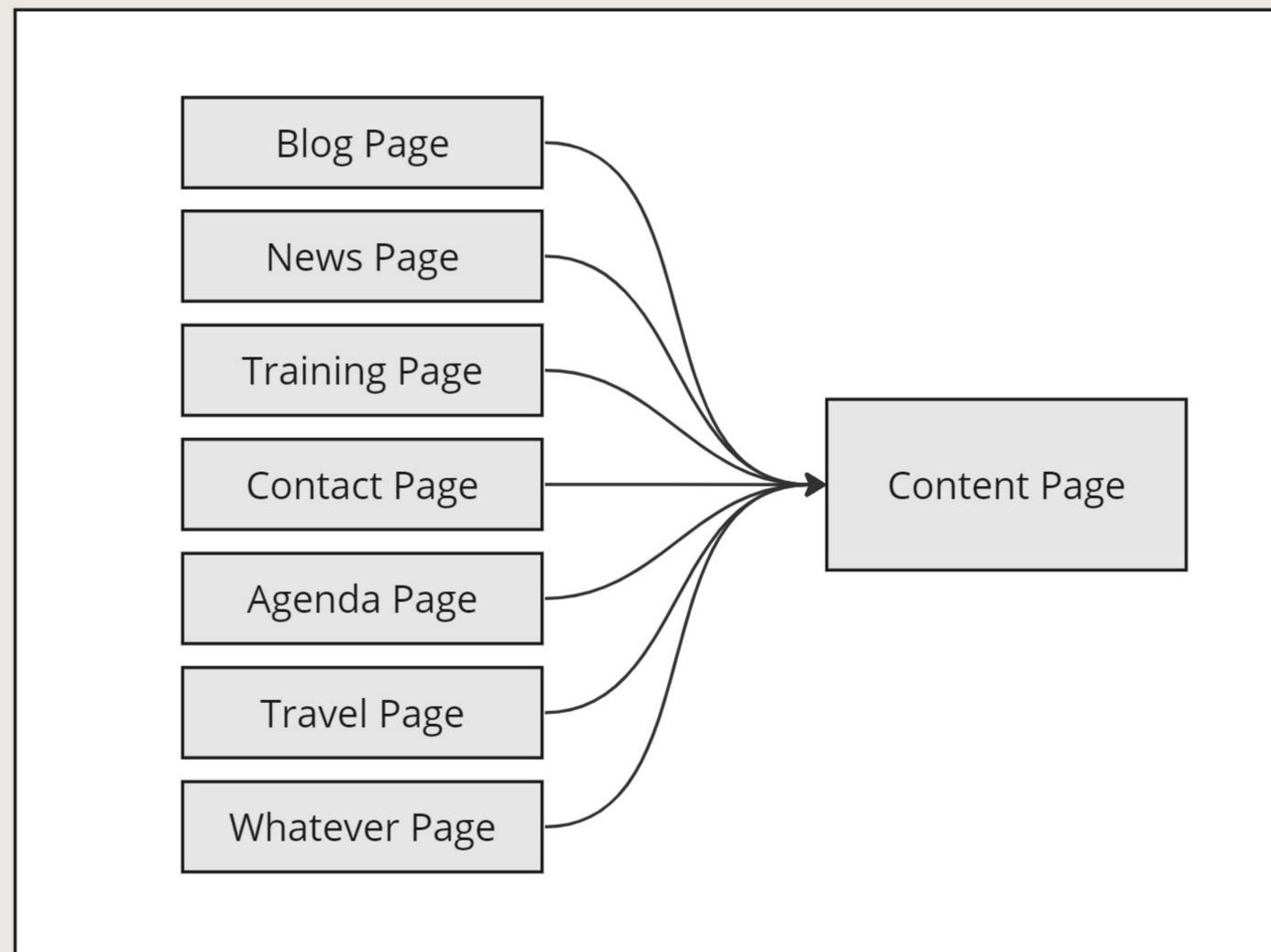


The website is not build on top of Umbraco.

It is build on top of a contract. Which the CMS implements.

Normalizing the different aspects of the website.

# Composing pages

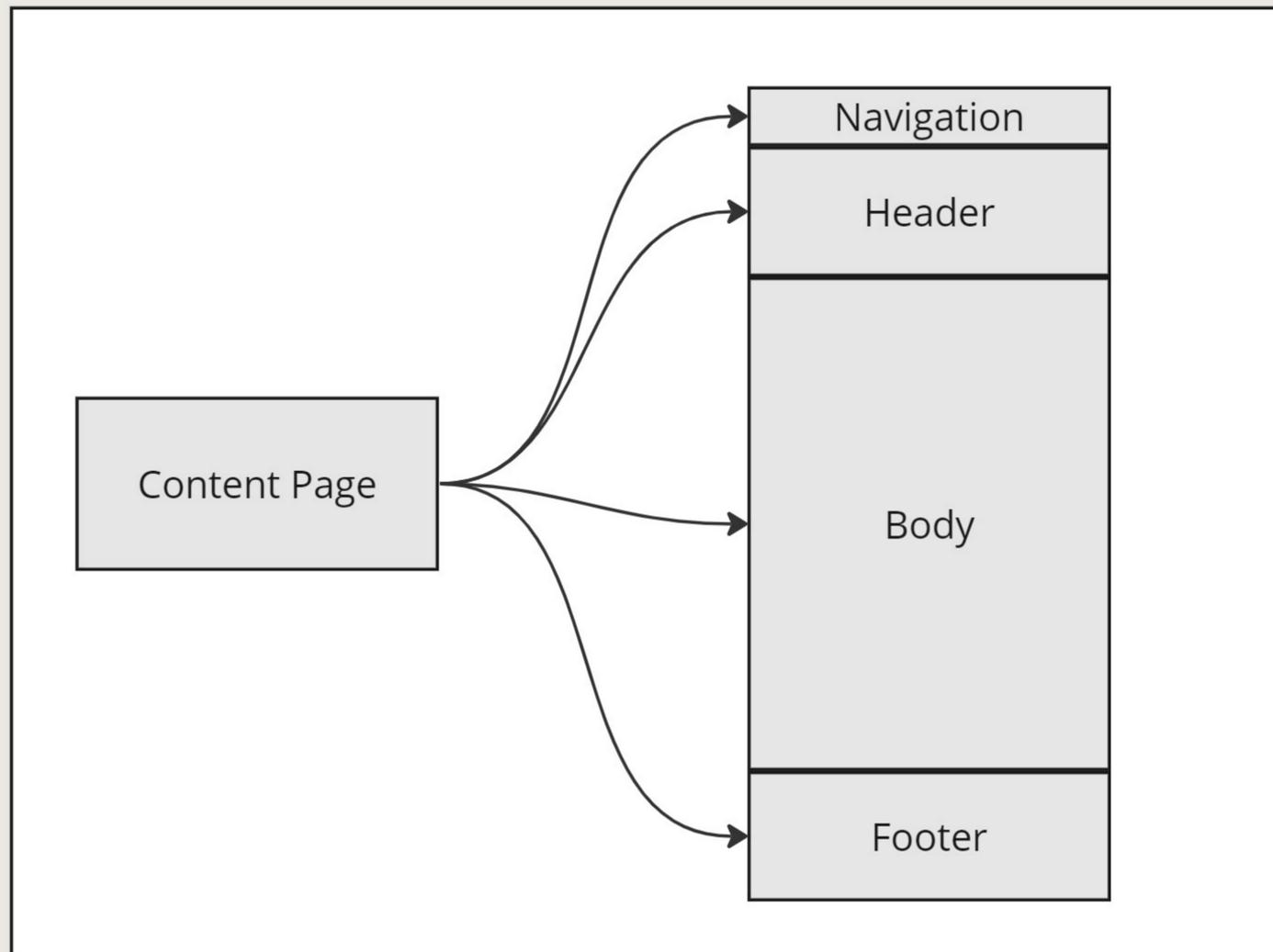


From a designers perspective there is only a content page template.

For the content editors there are many more.

The document types provide context. But is visually the same.

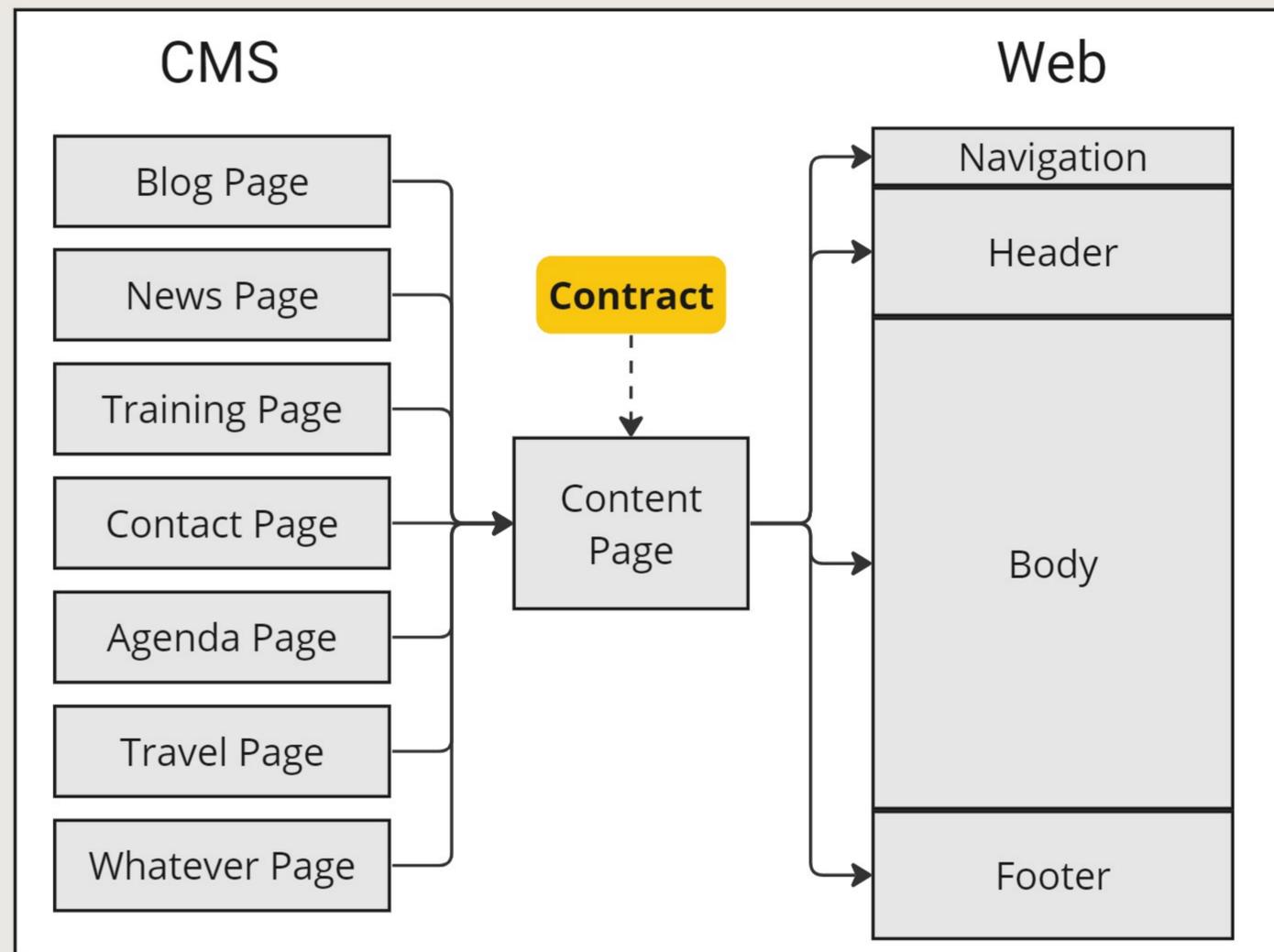
# Composing the website



We can normalize these templates in to components.

And each component will have more layers to it.

# Composing the website



Everything is based on the contract of the content page.

There only needs to be one model for it.

And one view. Which has multiple components.

# Code Maintenance

# Code

```
public sealed class GetOrganizationQuery : IRequest<Organization>
{
    [Required]
    required public string OrganizationNumber { get; }

    [Required]
    required public string OrganizationName { get; }
}

public sealed class GetOrganizationQueryHandler : IRequestHandler<GetOrganizationQuery, Organization>
{
    private readonly IMapper _mapper;
    private readonly IDynamicsService _dynamicsService;
    private readonly IApplicationDbContext _context;

    public GetOrganizationQueryHandler(IMapper mapper, IDynamicsService dynamicsService, IApplicationDbContext context)
    {
        _mapper = mapper;
    }
}
```

A strong foundation on only the module level is not enough

We also need to keep our code maintainable.

# Codestyle

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this.container = this.clip.wrap("<div></div>").parer
class=" ' + b + '></div>'); this.buttonPrev = g(".j
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this.buttonNext.addClass(this.className("jcarousel-
this.className("jcarousel-list"))); g(f.overflow;
```

Solve it by having and maintaining a code style.

The team should code as one.

Avoid technical dept.

# Gate keeping

```
public GetOrganizationQueryHandler(IMapper mapper, IDynamicsService dynamicsService, IApplicationDbContext context)
{
    _mapper = mapper;
    _dynamicsService = dynamicsService;
    _context = context;
}

private readonly IMapper _mapper;
private readonly IDynamicsService _dynamicsService;
private readonly IApplicationDbContext _context;

public async Task<GetOrganizationDto> Handle(GetOrganizationQuery request, CancellationToken cancellationToken)
{
    var entity = await _context.Organizations
        .Include(i => i.Memberships)
        .FirstOrDefaultAsync(i => i.Id.Equals(request.OrganizationNumber), cancellationToken)
        .ConfigureAwait(false);
}
```

SA1201: A field should not follow a constructor

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Defining a codestyle is one. Applying it is a second.

Use static code analysis to warn you about codestyle offenses.

Use tools such as StyleCop and SonarQube.

# *Warnings == Errors*

	Code	Description
▷ 	SA1508	A closing brace should not be pre
	MA0053	Make class sealed
▷ 	SA1005	Single line comment should begin
	MA0053	Make class sealed
▷ 	SA1413	Use trailing comma in multi-line ir
▷ 	SA1122	Use string.Empty for empty string
▷ 	SA1122	Use string.Empty for empty string
▷ 	SA1505	An opening brace should not be f
▷ 	SA1028	Code should not contain trailing v

Warnings are errors.

A warning is something that is not breaking to the function of the application.

It is breaking to the maintainability of the code.

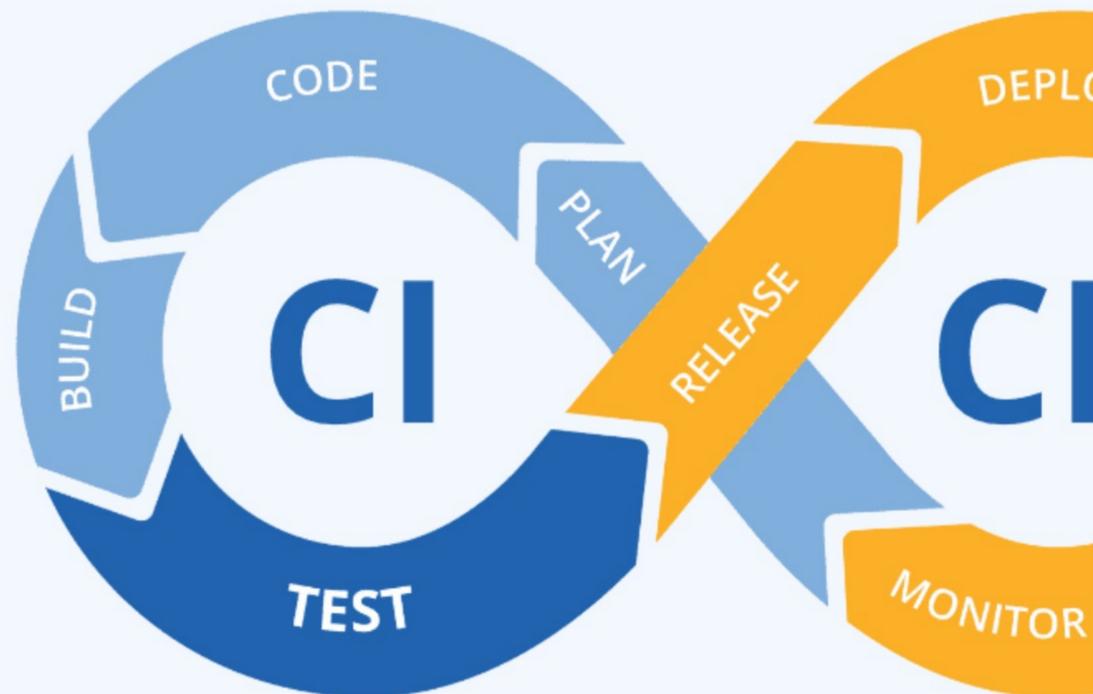


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# CI/CD



# *Continuous Integration*



Continuously integration our code back in to a shared repository.

Testing our code automatically pre-merge.

Keeping bugs at a distance.

# *Automated Testing*

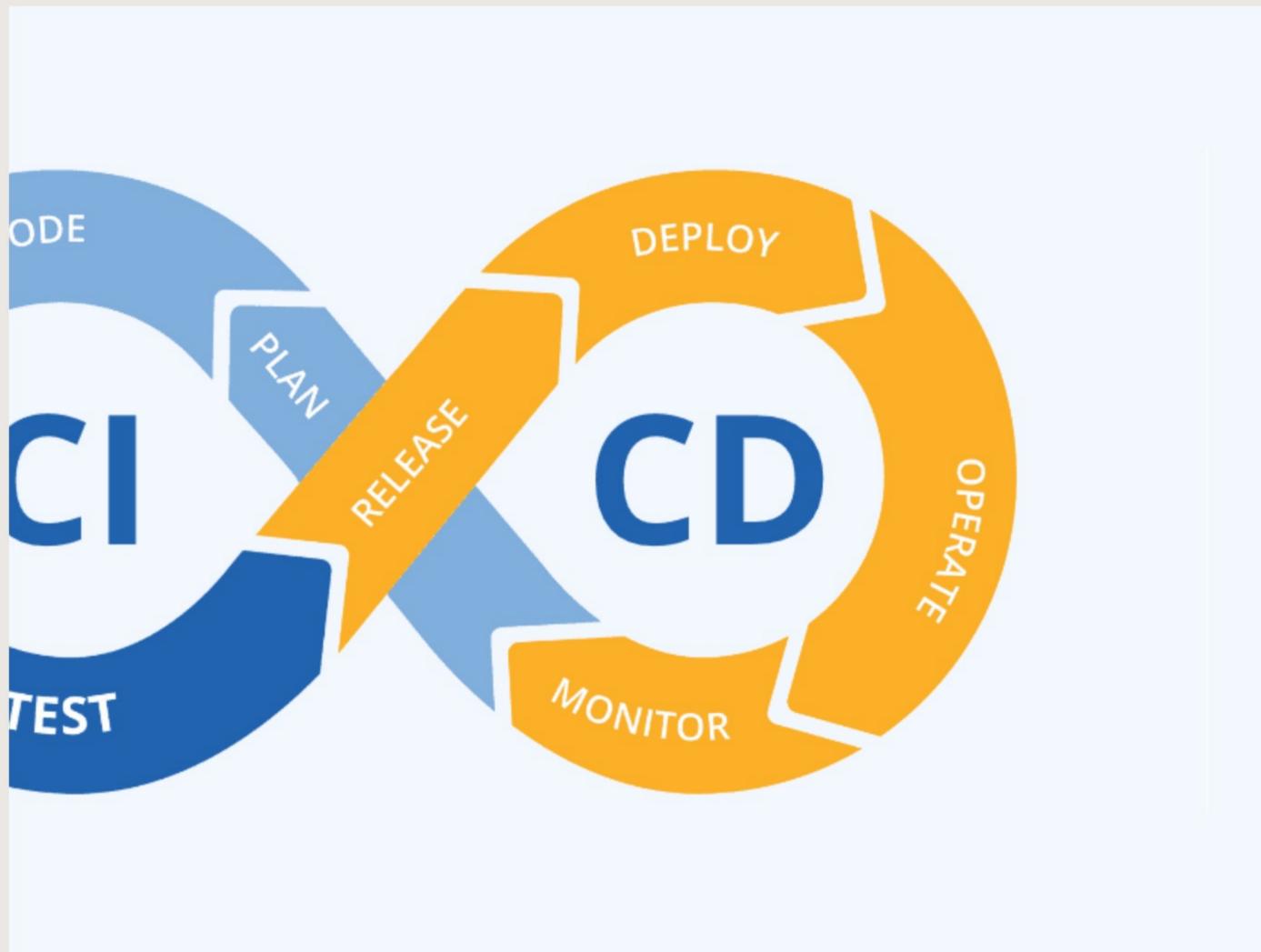
- ▶  CancelWalkingEventTests (2)
- ▶  CreateWalkingEventTests (2)
- ▶  DeleteWalkingEventDistanceTests (2)
- ▶  DuplicateWalkingEventTests (2)
- ▶  PublishOtherWalkingEventEditionTests (4)
- ▶  PublishWalkingEventTests (3)
- ▶  RemoveTagFromWalkingEventTests (2)
- ▶  RepublishWalkingEventTests (3)
- ▶  UpdateWalkingEventAdditionalInfoTests (5)
- ▶  UpdateWalkingEventDateTests (3)

Testing exists in many forms. In units or as a whole integration.

Require tests to succeed in the DevOps process (pre-merge).

Require codestyle to be resolved (pre-merge).

# *Continuous Deployments*

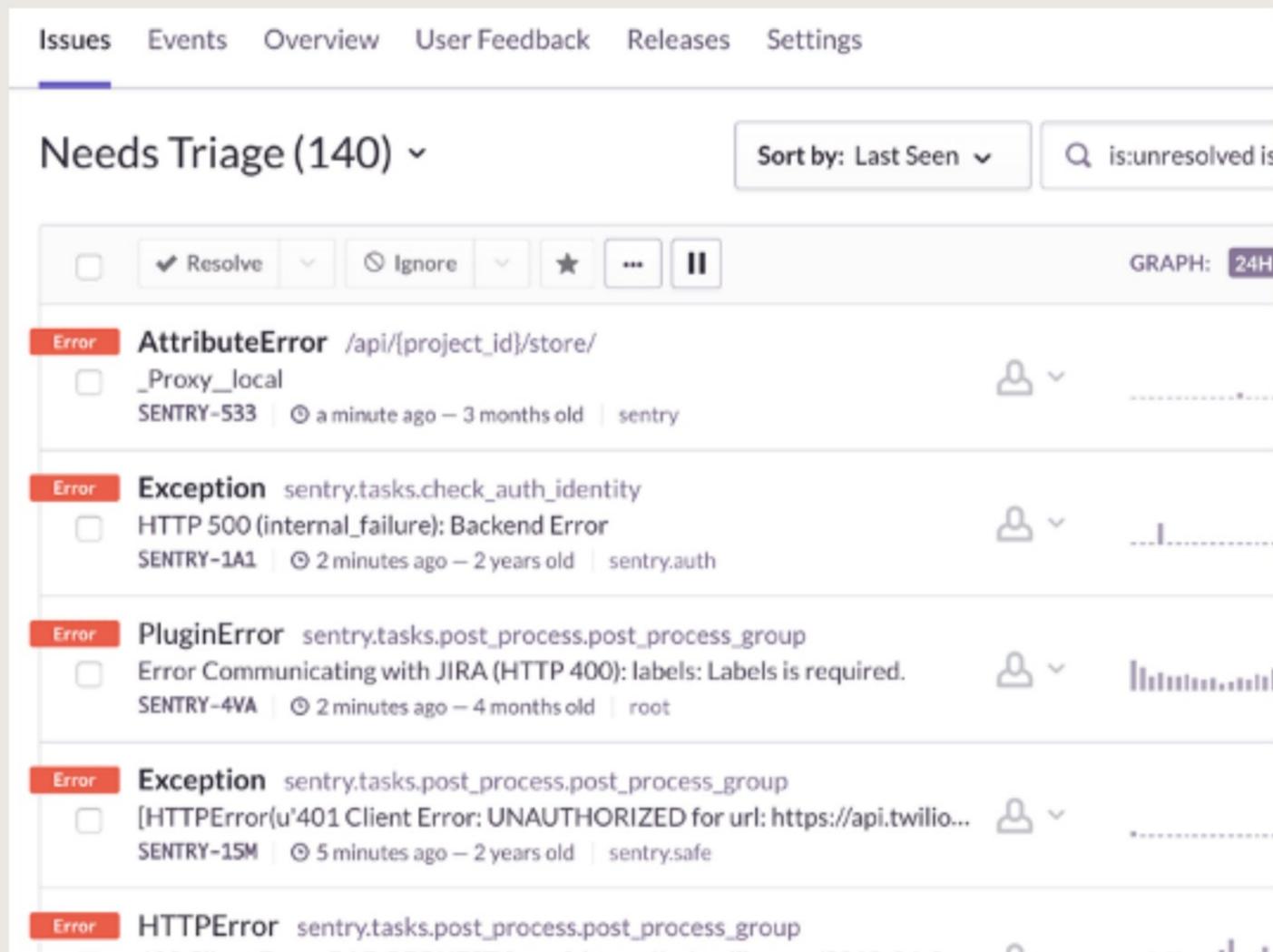


This doesn't only mean an 'automated deploy'.

It means monitoring and error management.

Use tools such as Sentry or New Relic.

# Monitoring



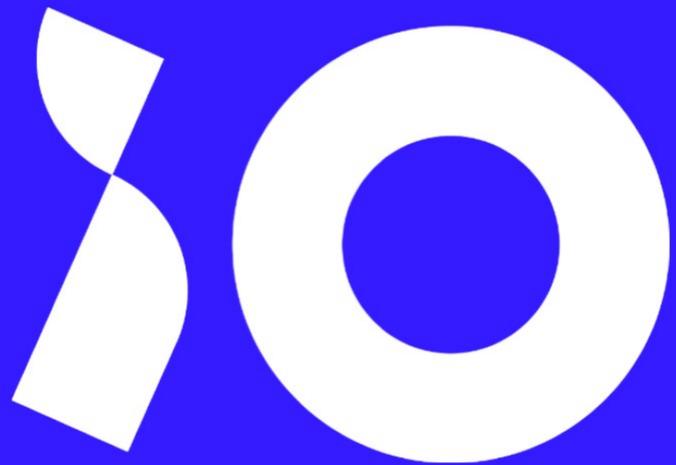
The screenshot displays the Sentry web interface for managing issues. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Issues, Events, Overview, User Feedback, Releases, and Settings. Below the navigation, the current view is 'Needs Triage (140)' with a dropdown arrow. To the right, there is a 'Sort by: Last Seen' dropdown and a search bar containing 'is:unresolved is'. Below the search bar, there are action buttons: a checkbox, 'Resolve', 'Ignore', a star icon, a three-dot menu, and a pause icon. A 'GRAPH: 24H' button is also visible. The main content area shows a list of error events, each with a red 'Error' label, a title, a description, and a graph icon. The first event is an 'AttributeError' for the path '/api/{project\_id}/store/' with ID 'SENTRY-533', reported 'a minute ago' and '3 months old'. The second is an 'Exception' 'sentry.tasks.check\_auth\_identity' with ID 'SENTRY-1A1', reported '2 minutes ago' and '2 years old'. The third is a 'PluginError' 'sentry.tasks.post\_process.post\_process\_group' with ID 'SENTRY-4VA', reported '2 minutes ago' and '4 months old'. The fourth is an 'Exception' 'sentry.tasks.post\_process.post\_process\_group' with ID 'SENTRY-15M', reported '5 minutes ago' and '2 years old'. The fifth is an 'HTTPError' 'sentry.tasks.post\_process.post\_process\_group' with ID 'SENTRY-15M', reported '5 minutes ago' and '2 years old'.

Apply performance monitoring and error tracking in your application.

Find bottlenecks or broken code.

Plan to fix optimizations or bugs before it is too late.

That's all



Questions?

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