

Getting Modules Right

with Domain Driven Design

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Hands On
**DOMAIN-
DRIVEN
DESIGN**
by example

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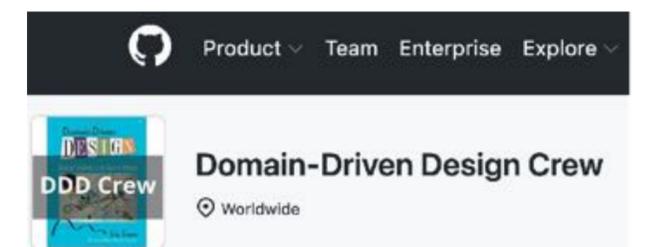
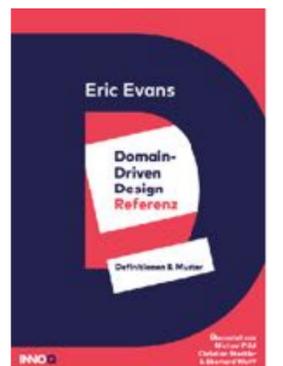
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- Domain-Driven Design
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Separation of Concerns

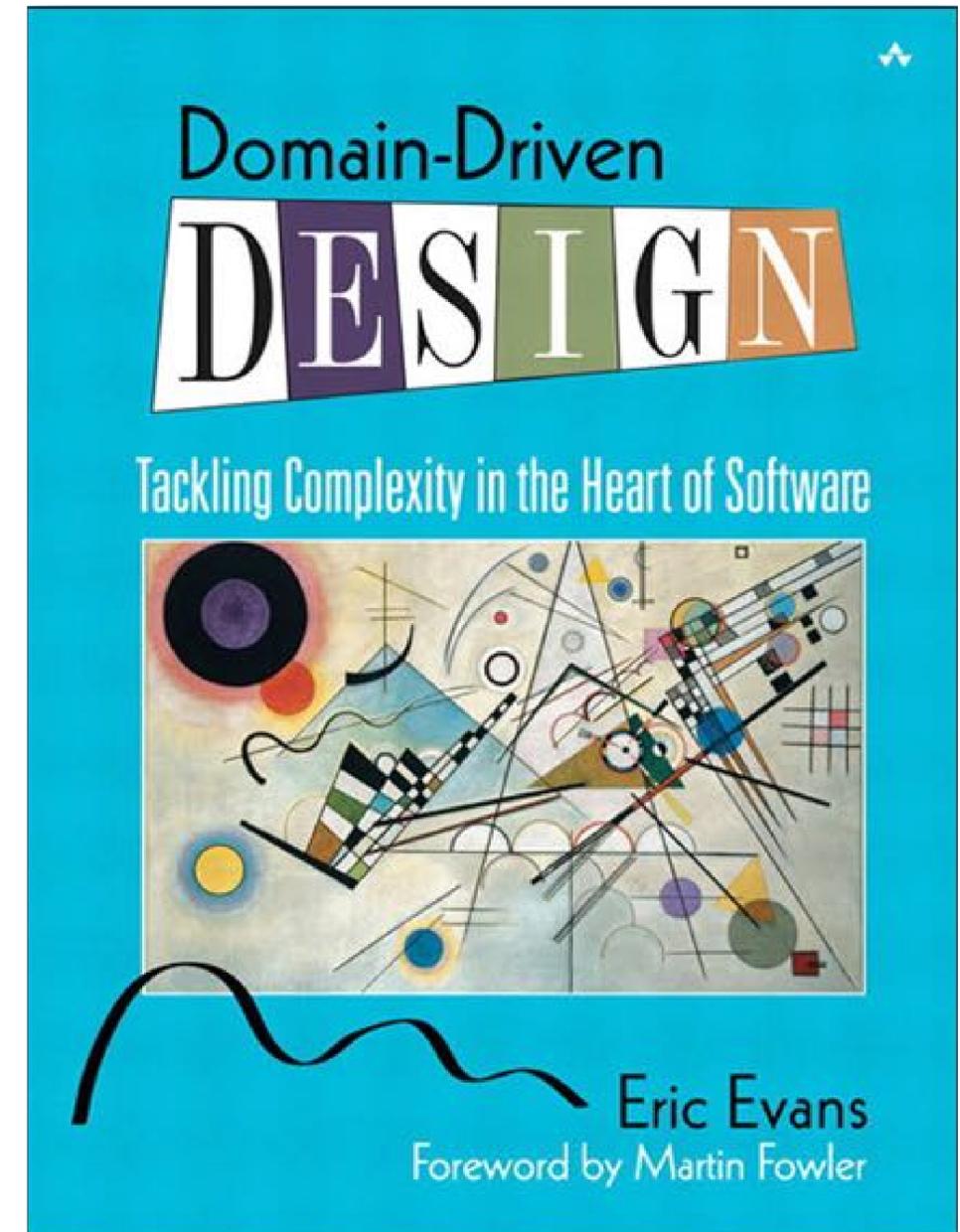
is the division of complex systems according to responsibility

Modularity

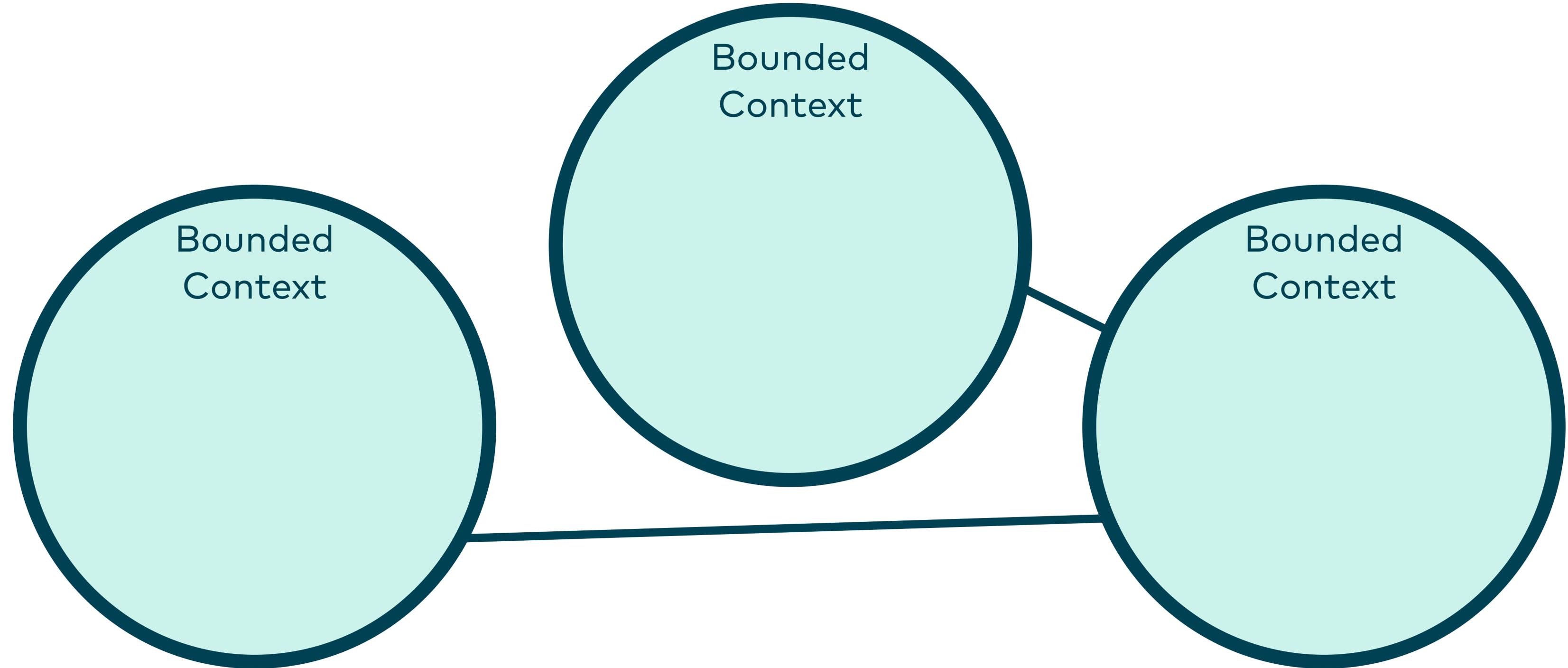
is a specialization of SoC and about
information hiding
loose coupling
high cohesion

Domain Driven Design

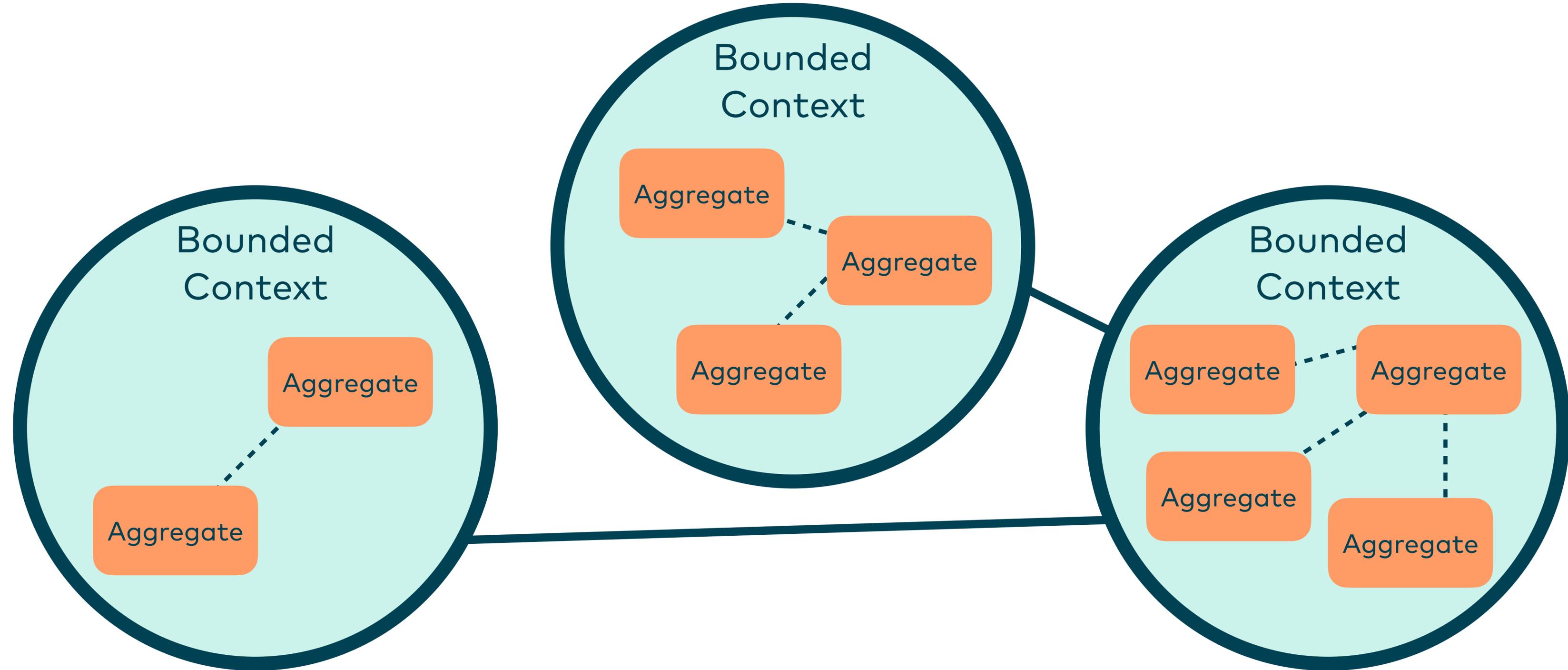
has great modularization
concepts (Bounded
Context, Aggregate) and an
iterative approach for the
identification of modules



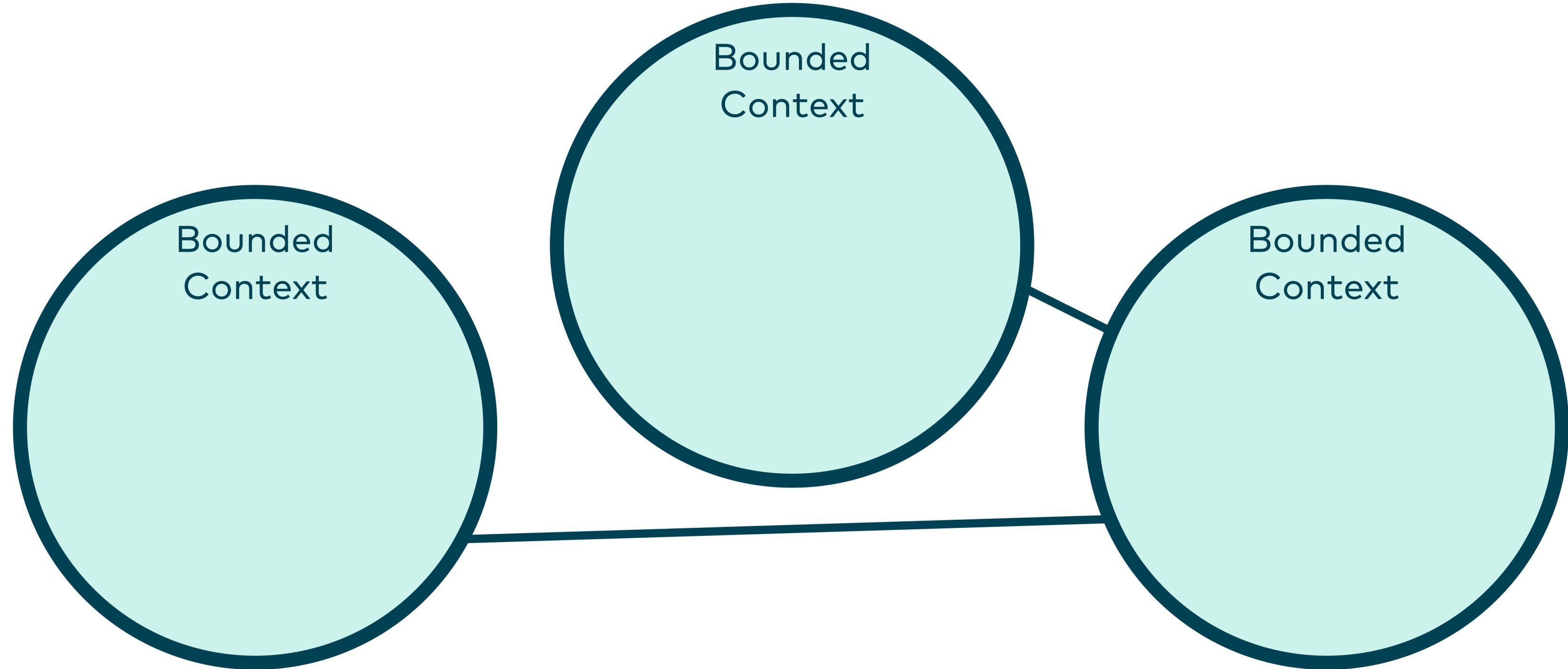
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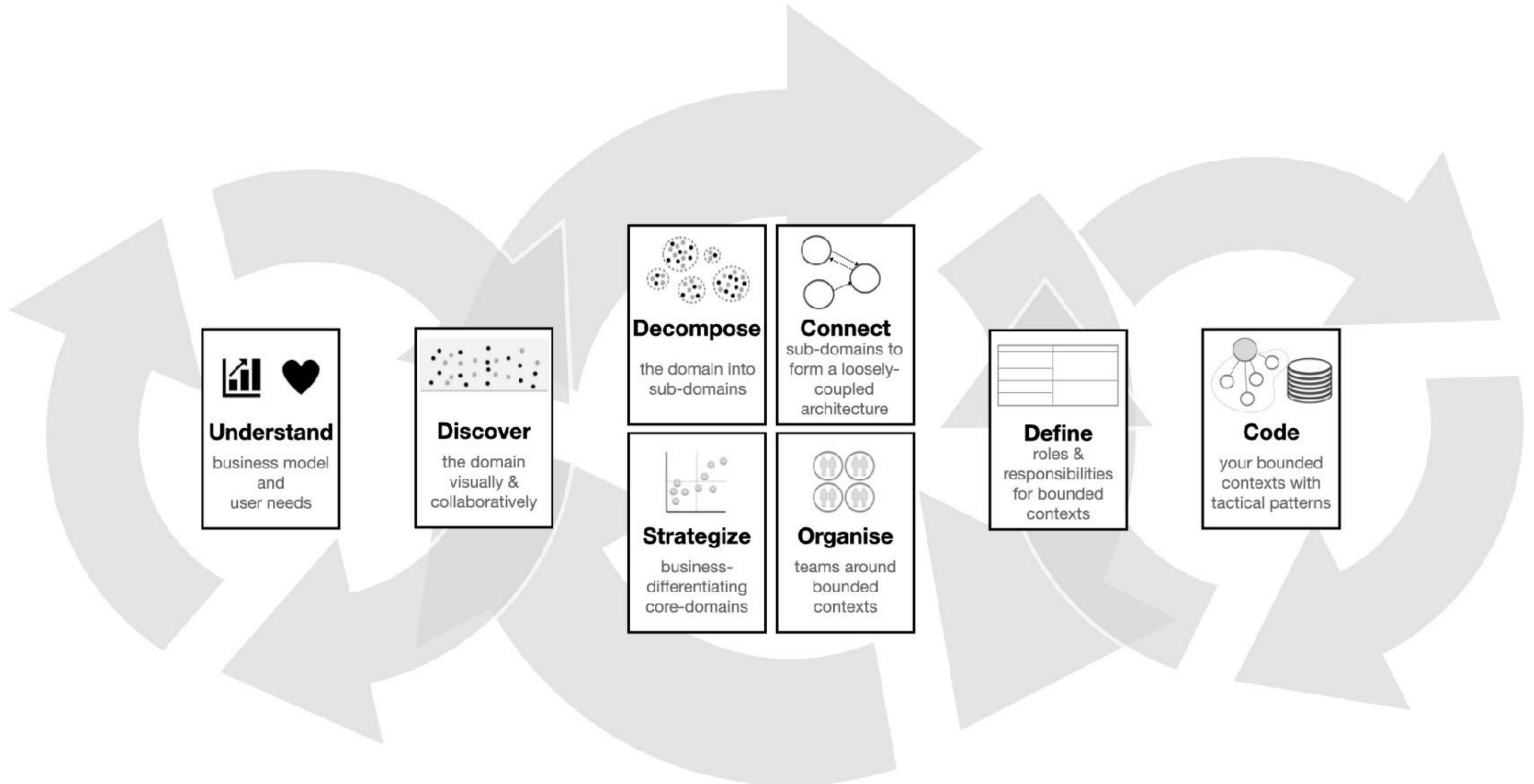


Let's start with Bounded Contexts



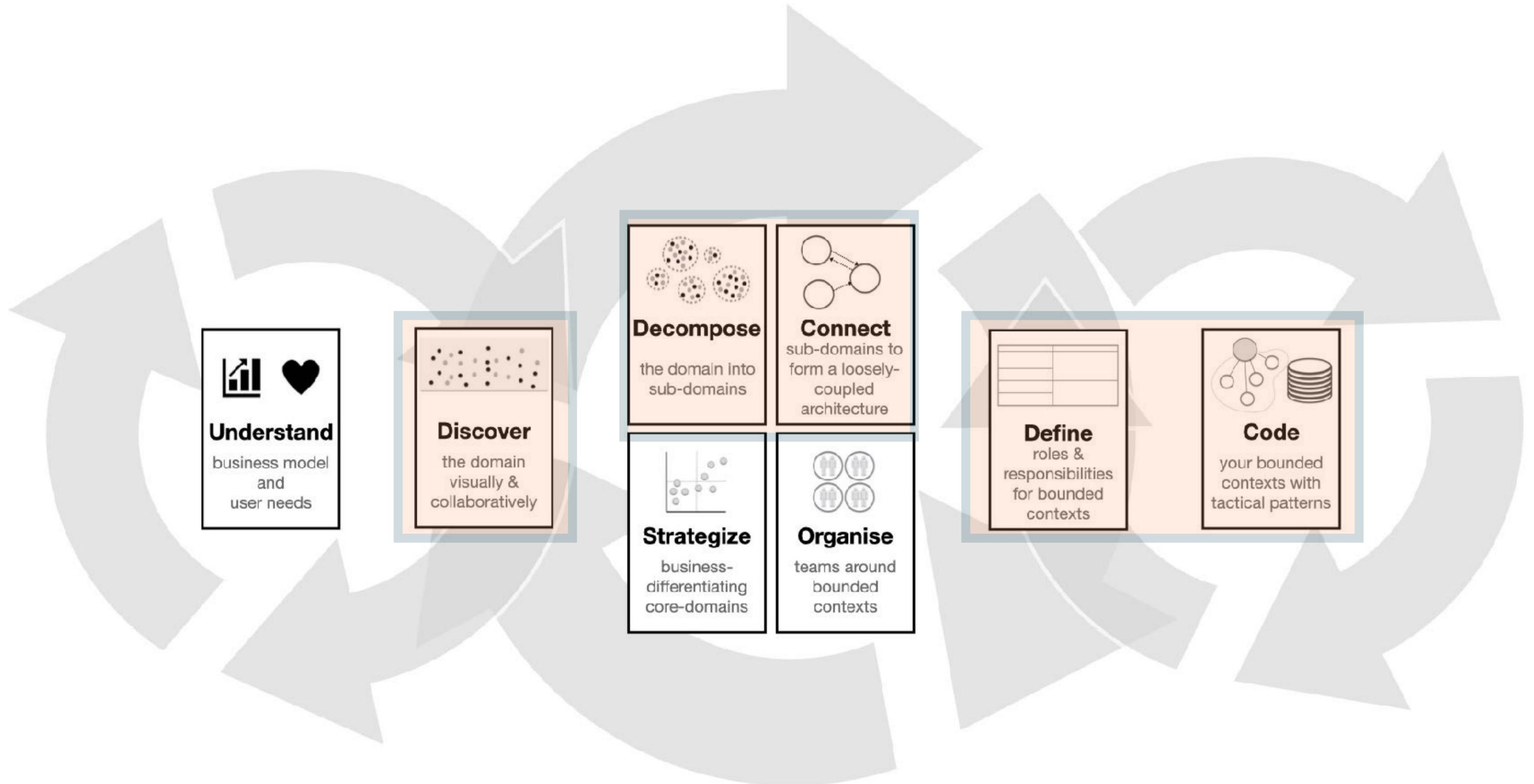
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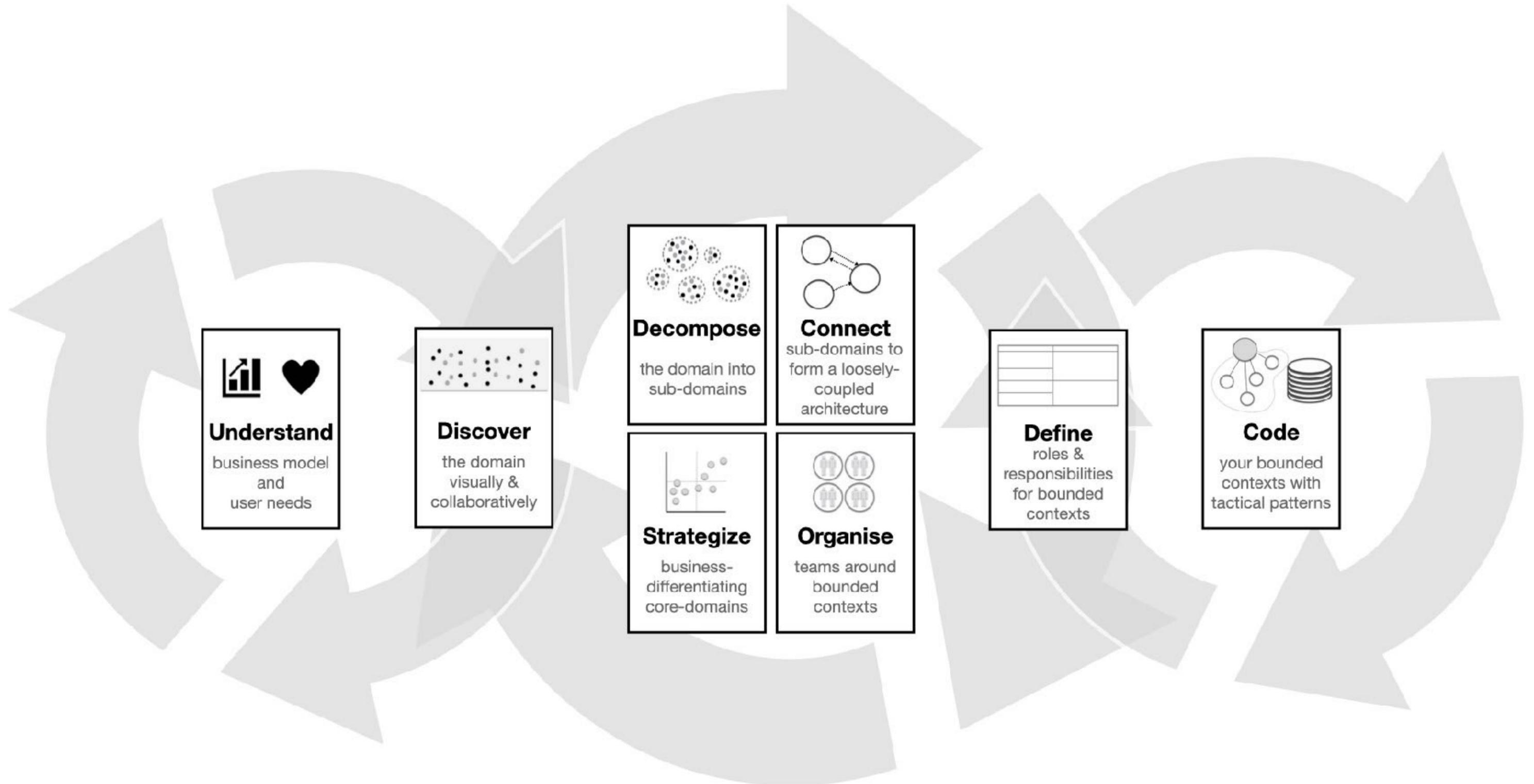
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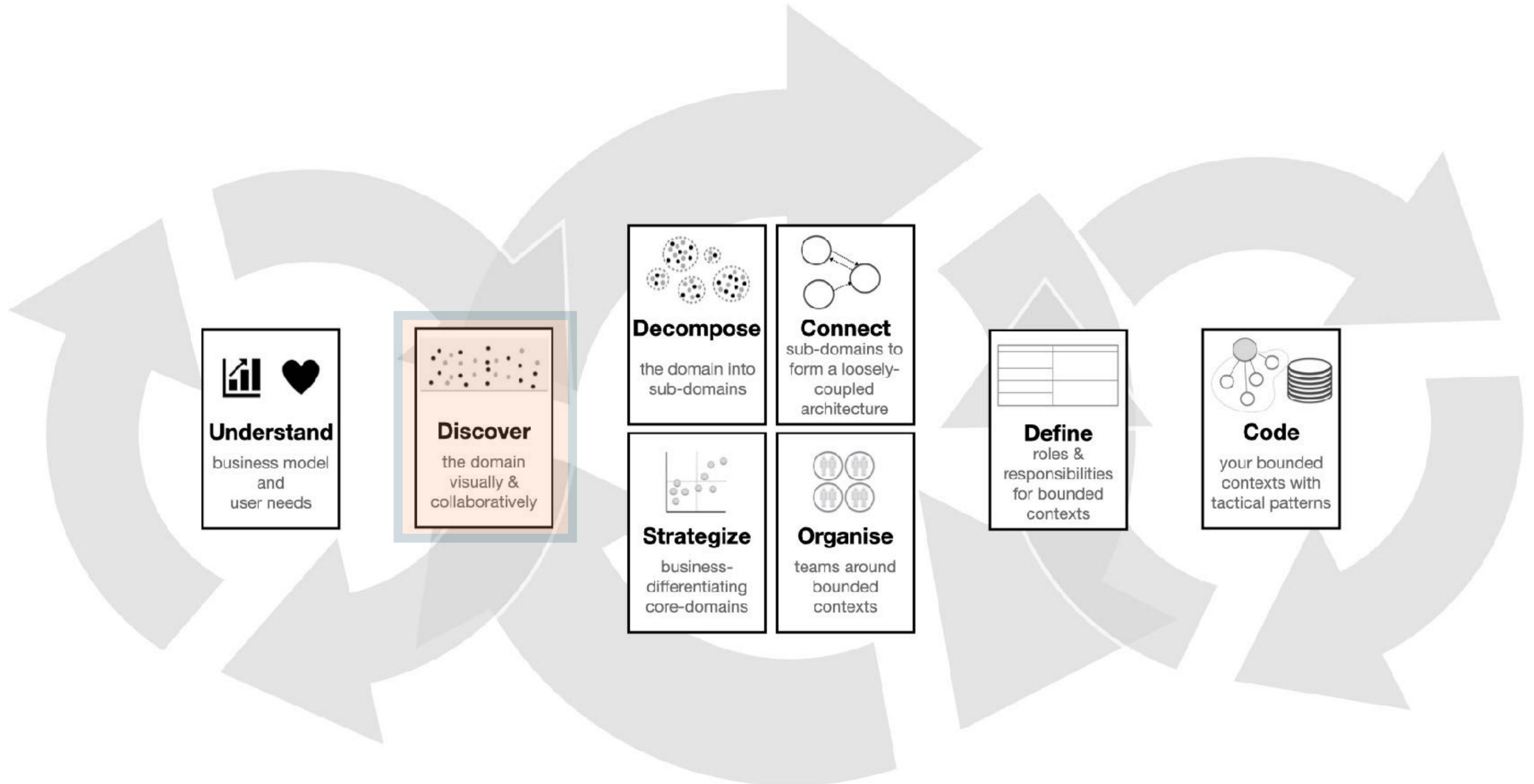
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„It is not the domain experts knowledge that goes into production, it is the assumption of the developers that goes into production“



Alberto Brandolini

Inventor of EventStorming



**„good that we all share the same
opinion“**

Inspiriert durch Jeff Patton & Luke Barren

Domain expert knowledge is essential
for doing Domain Driven Design

we need direct collaboration

WHAT COULD

POSSIBLY GO WRONG?



How the business names things

Window

Painting

TV

Desk

Trolley

Chair



How the business names things

What we see in code

Window

TransparencyFactory

Painting

DecoratorImpl

TV

EntertainmentProviderSingleton

Desk

WorkEnablementDevice

RollableStuffContainer

Trolley

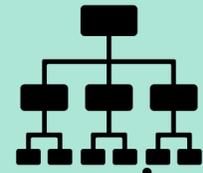
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DOMAIN MODEL



Code



Drawings



Documentation

Conversations

Ubiquitous Language

Developers

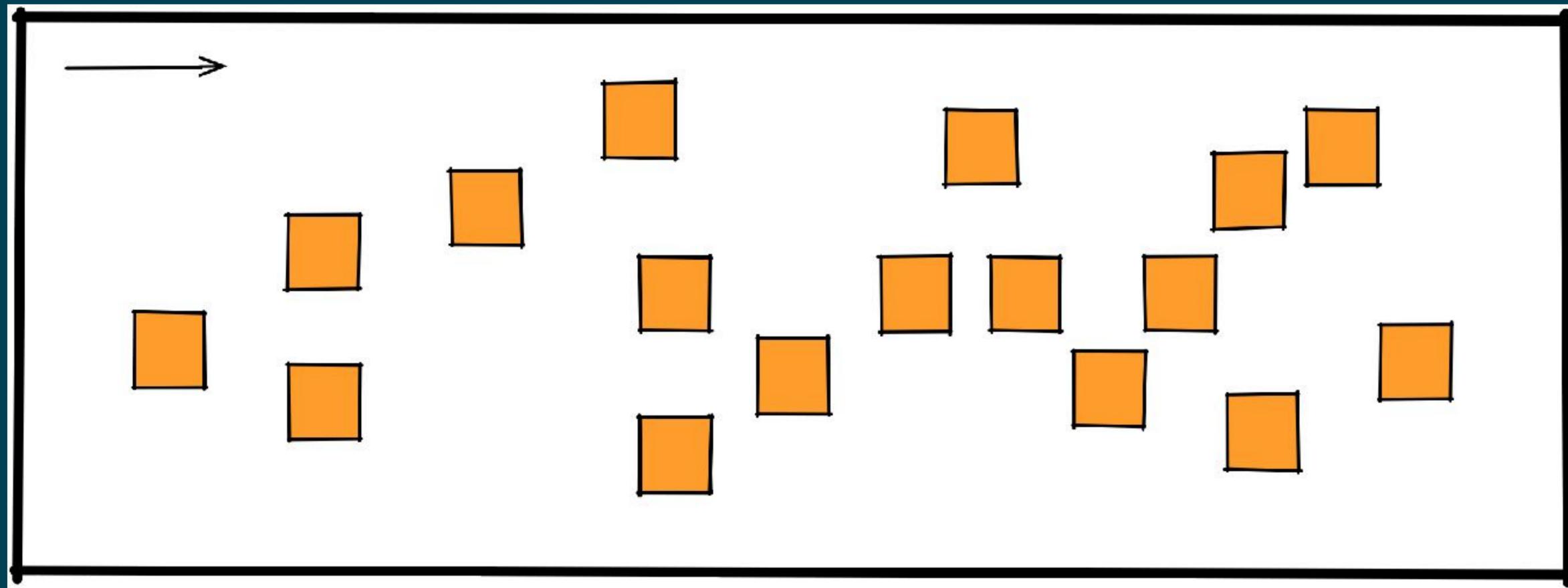


Domain Experts



Event Storming

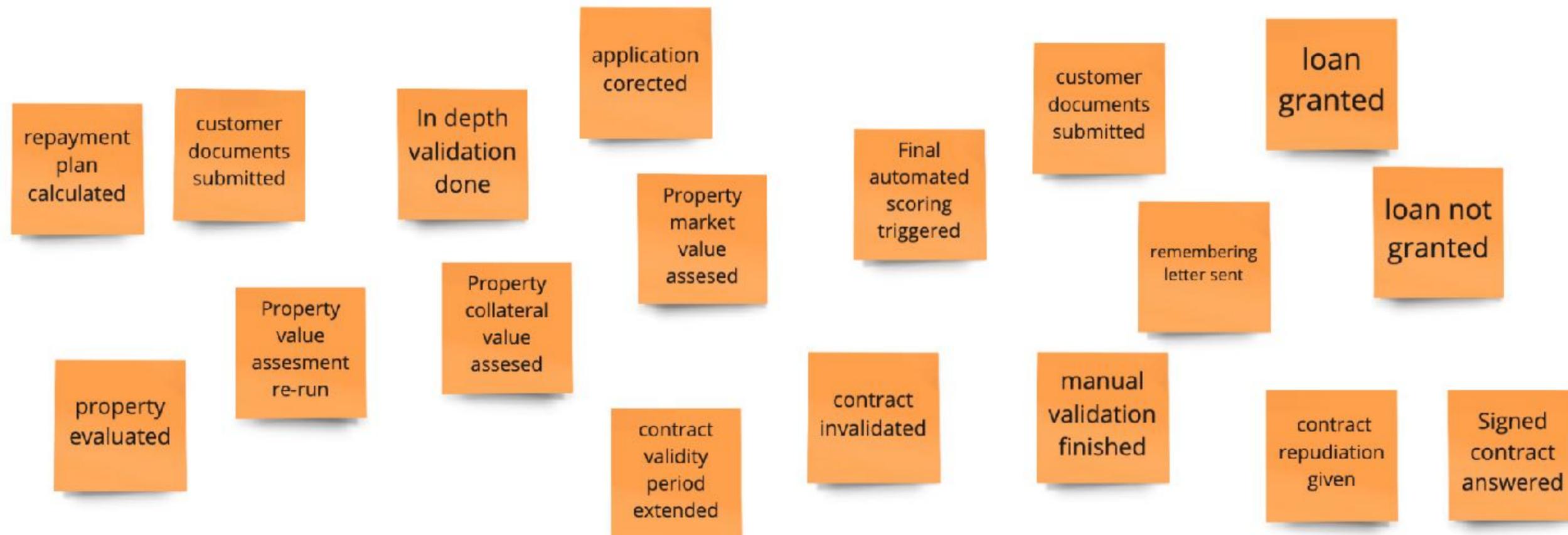
is a direct collaboration workshop for various stakeholders of a piece of software



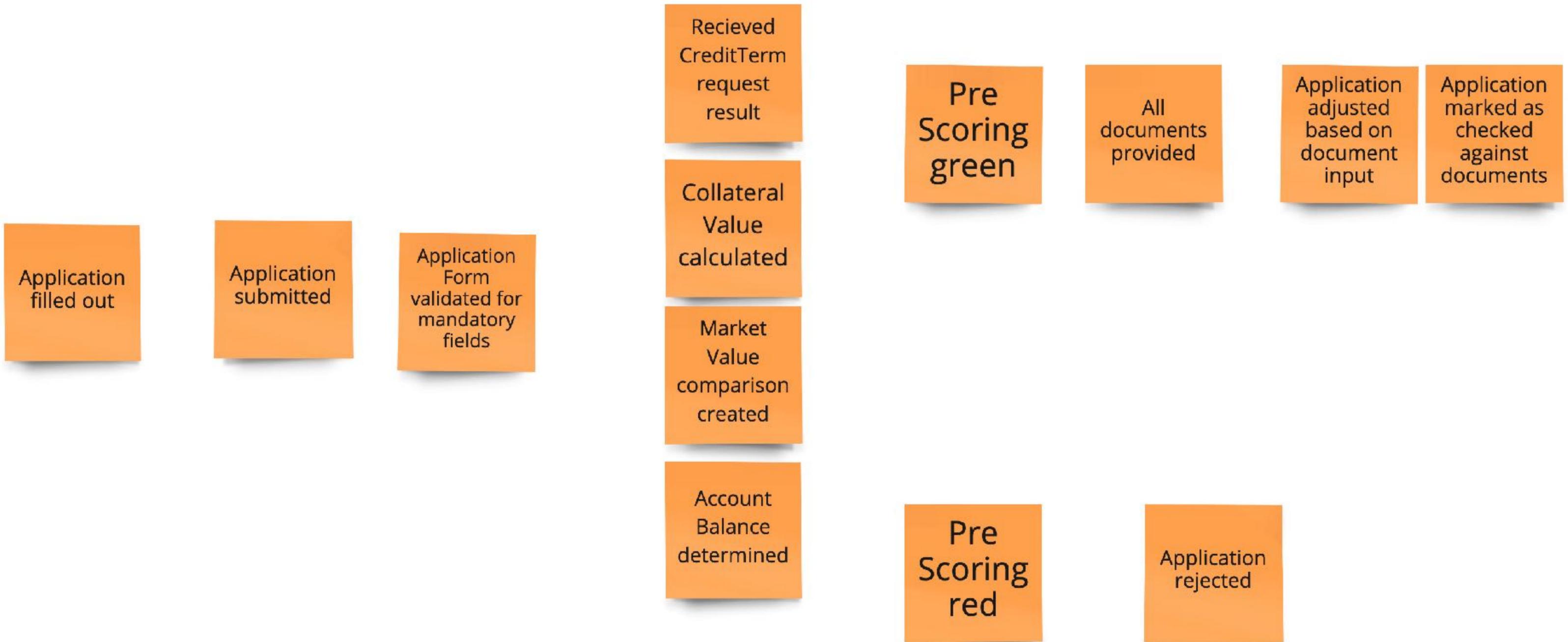
Chaotic Exploration

Domain Event

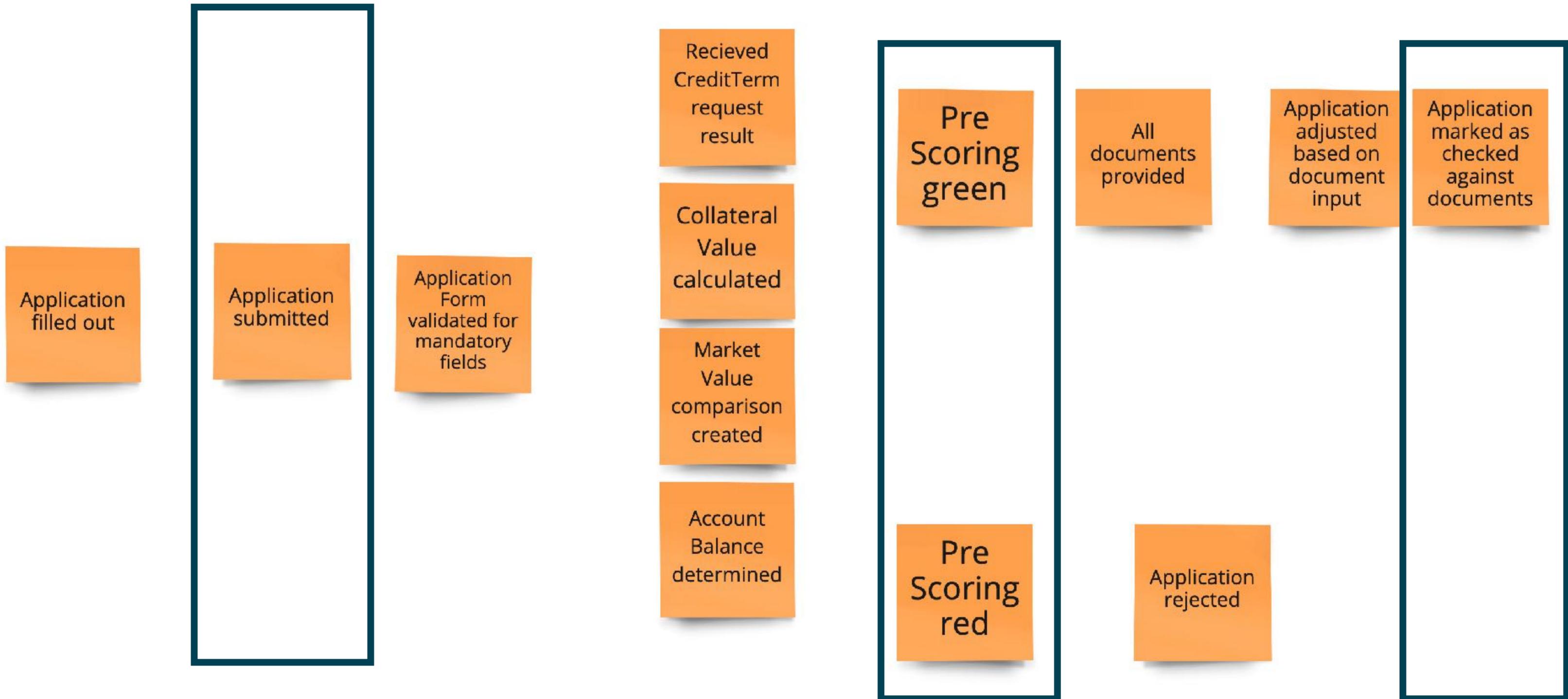
A Domain Event is the main concept of EventStorming. It is an event that is relevant for the domain experts and contextual for the domain that is being explored. A Domain Event is a verb at the past tense. The official EventStorming colour is orange.



Quiz: which of these events are pivotal?

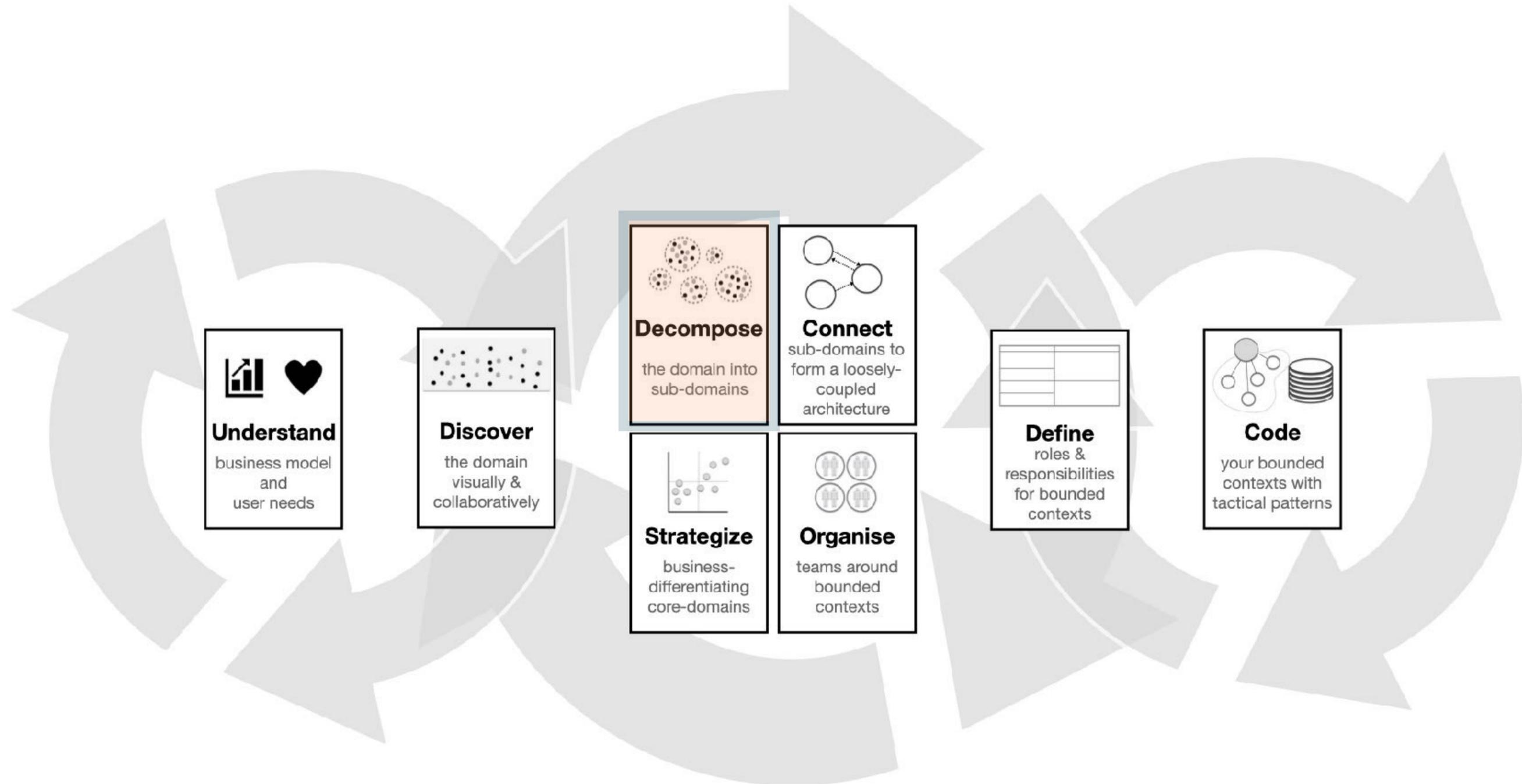


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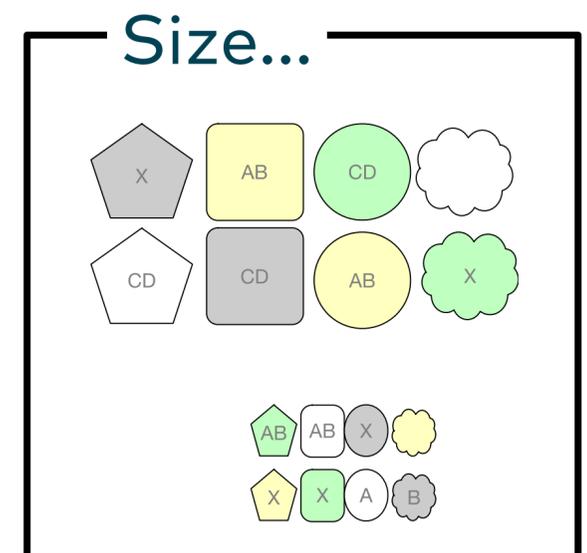
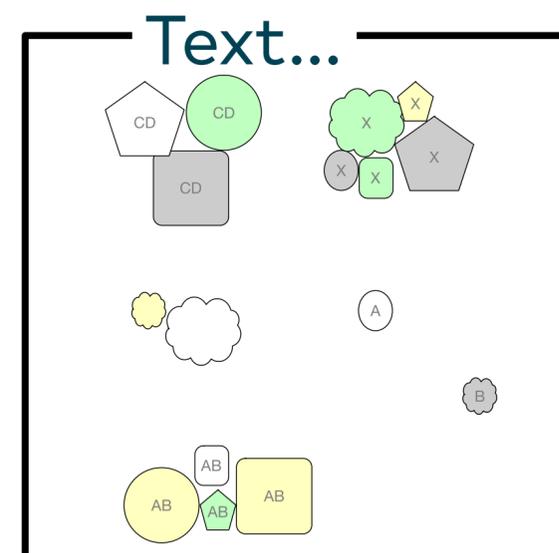
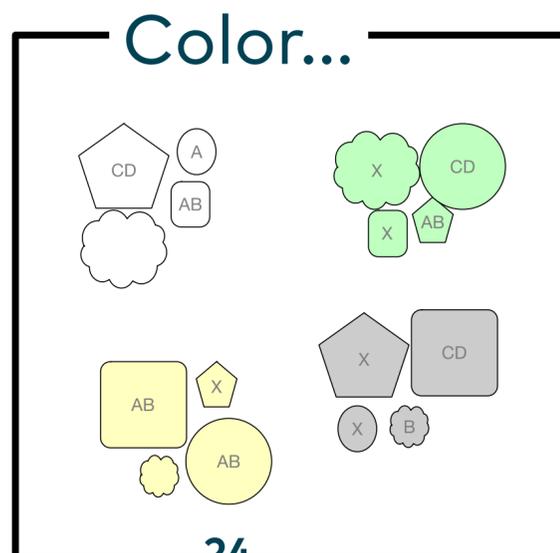
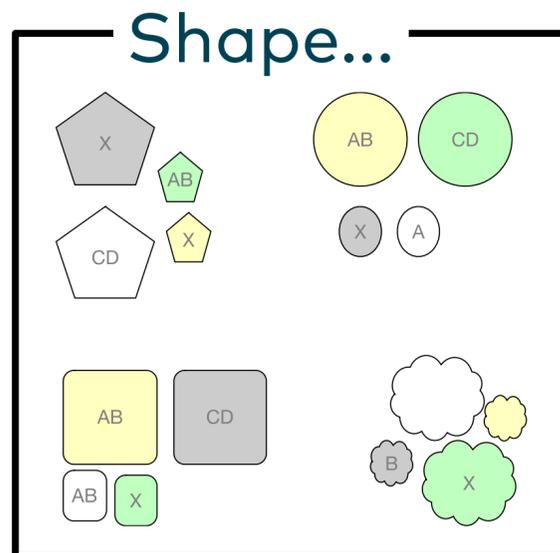
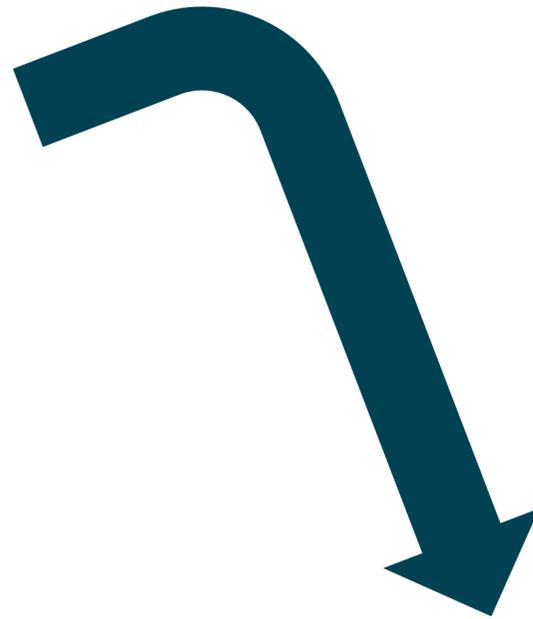
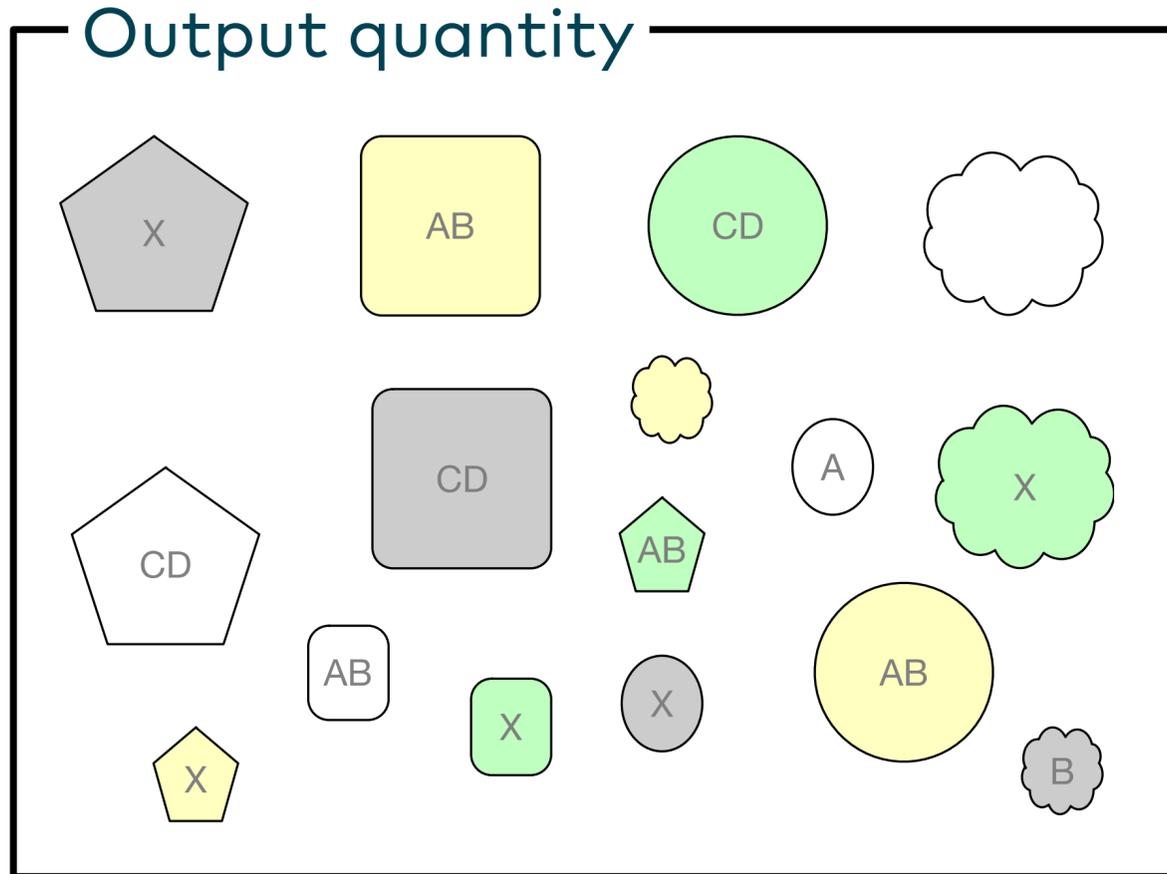
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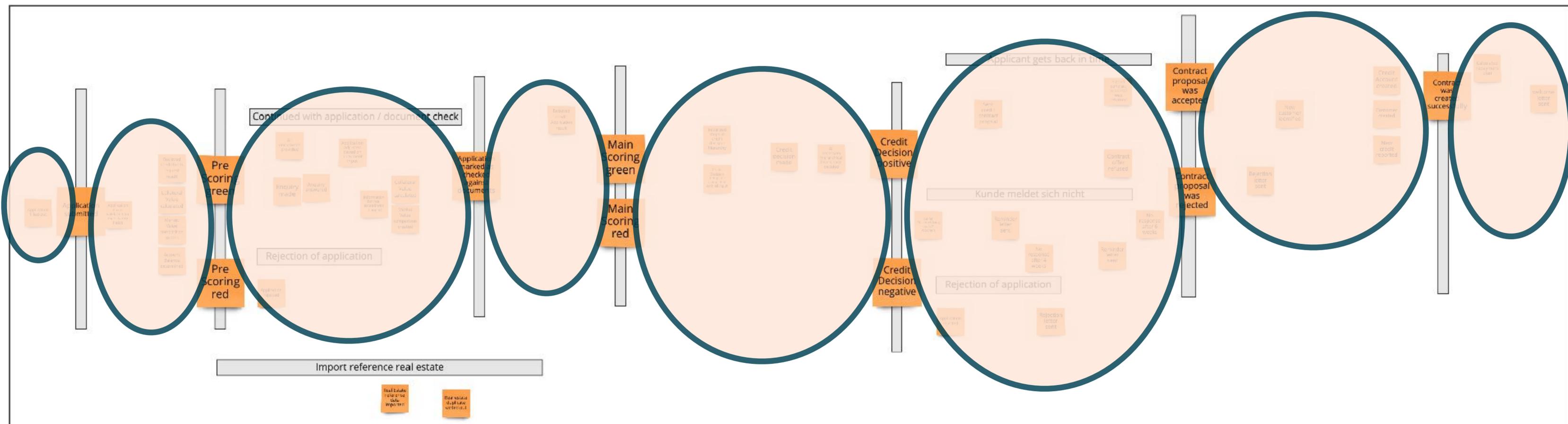
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There are many choices to group domain concepts



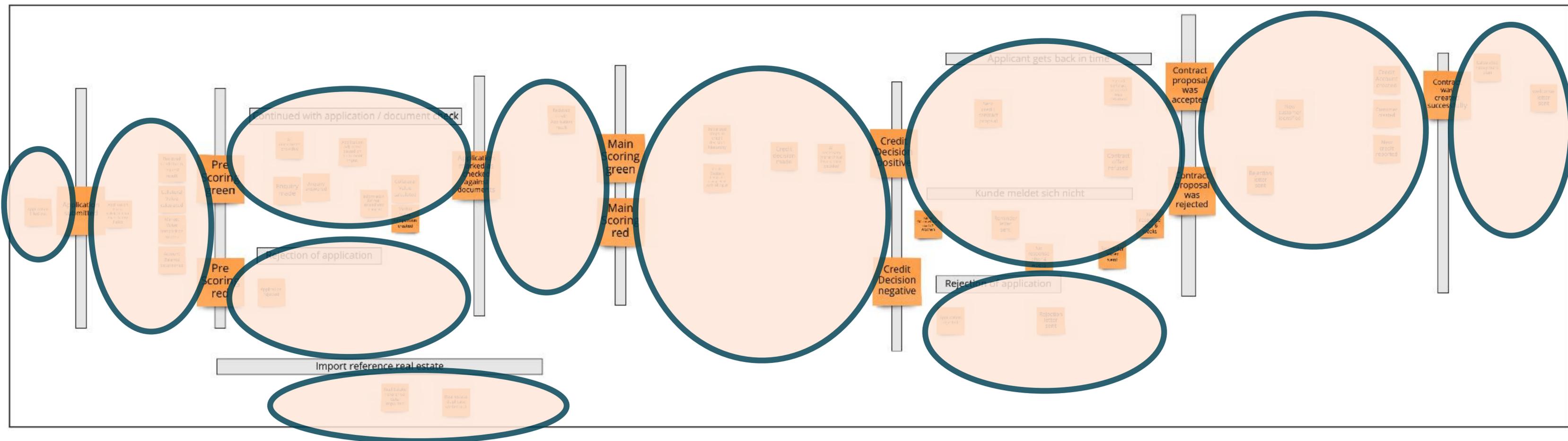
Boundaries between Pivotal Events

Heuristic: A pivotal event will probably sit on a boundary of a module



Mind the swimlanes

Heuristic: Swimlanes can help you in identifying further cohesion criteria

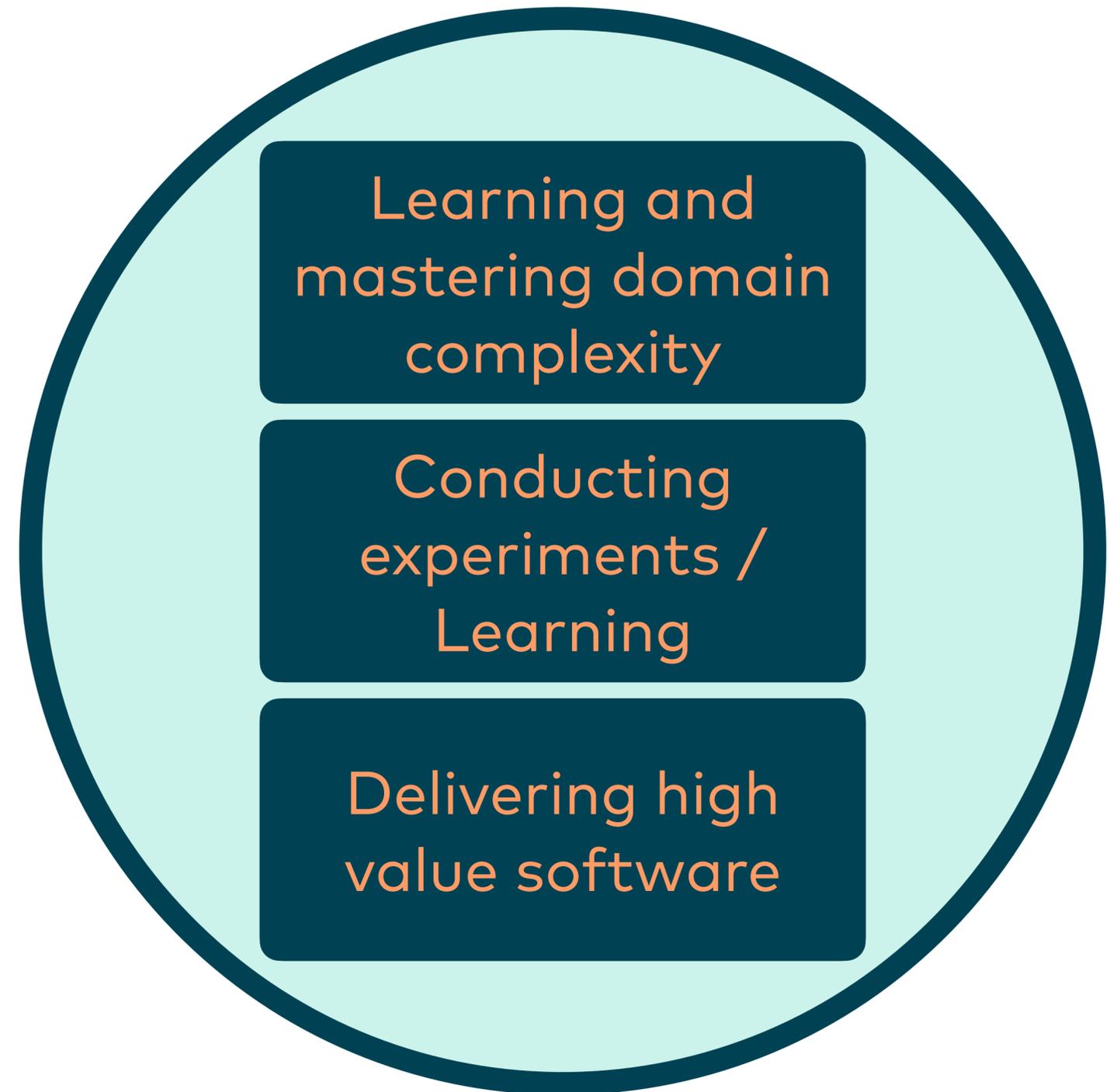


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Bounded Context

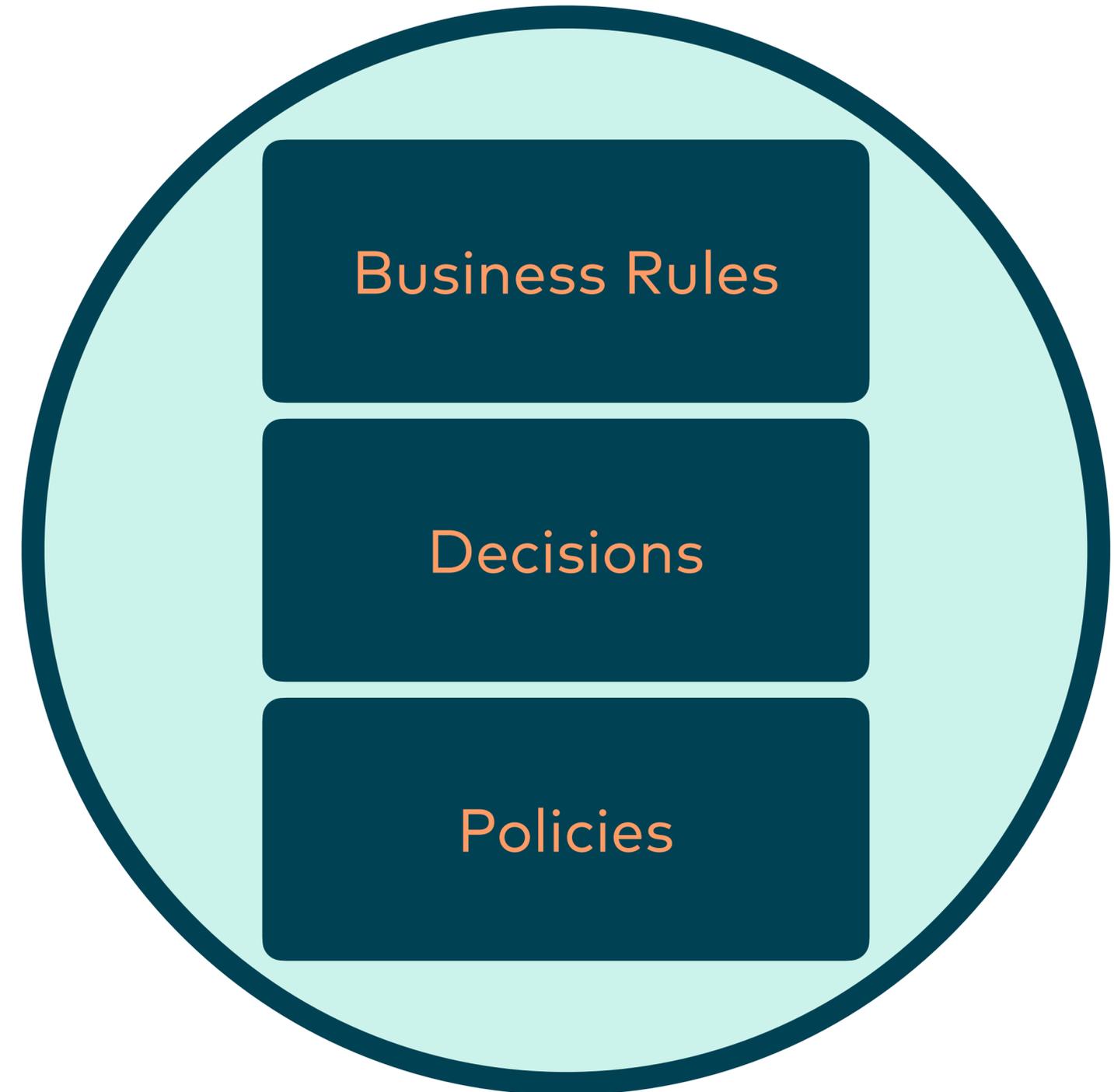
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Boundary



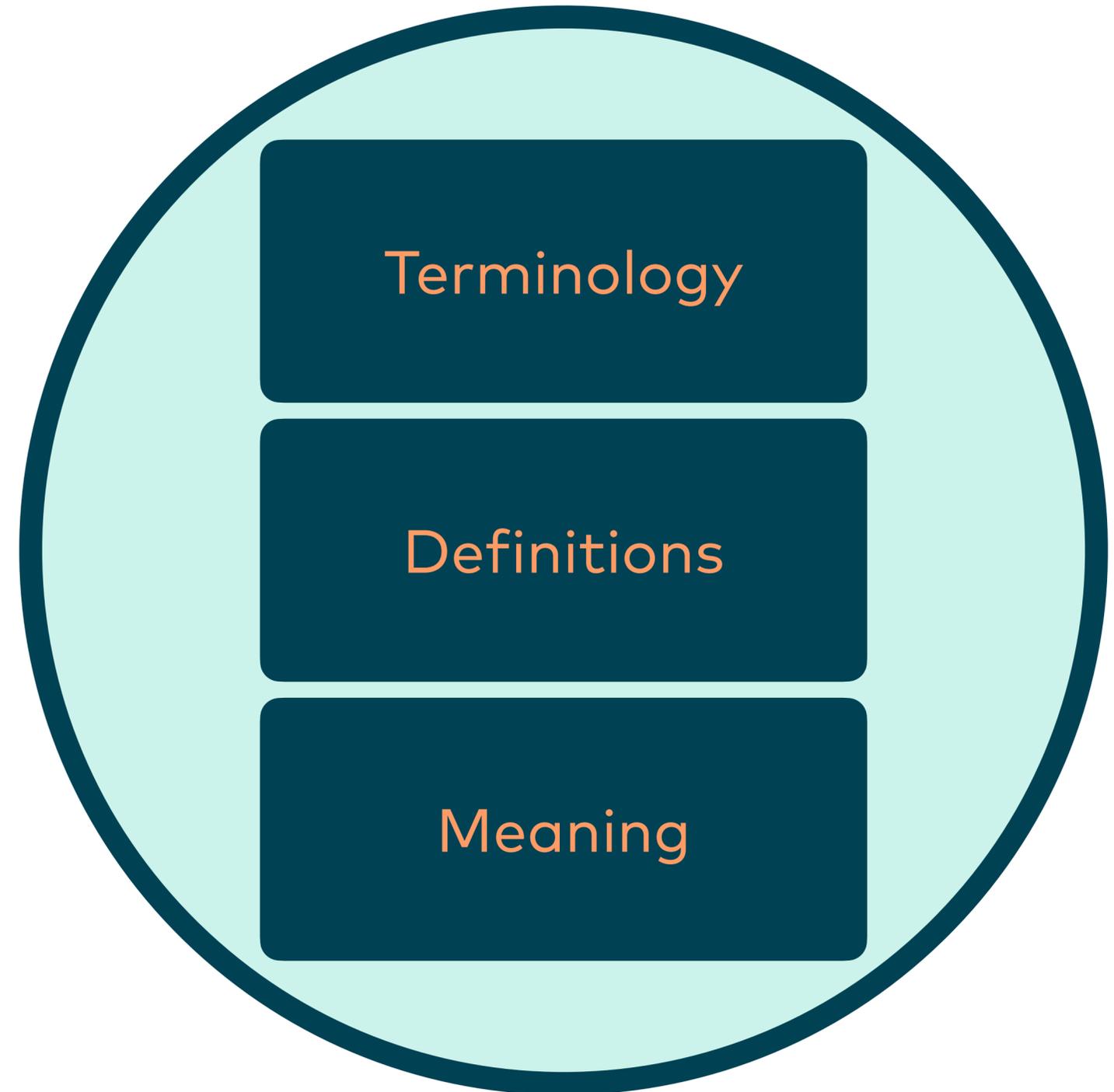
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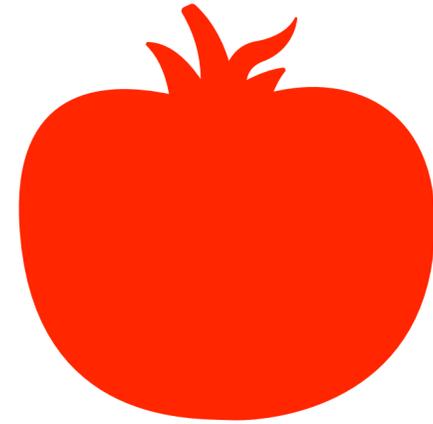
Boundary for a **model**



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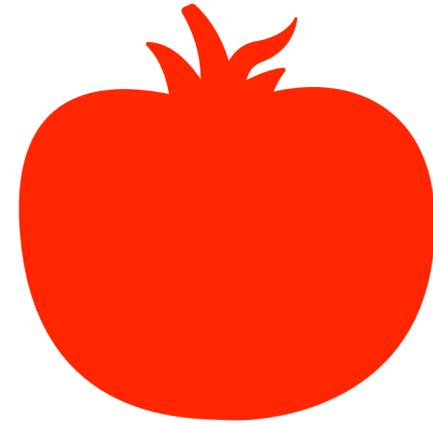
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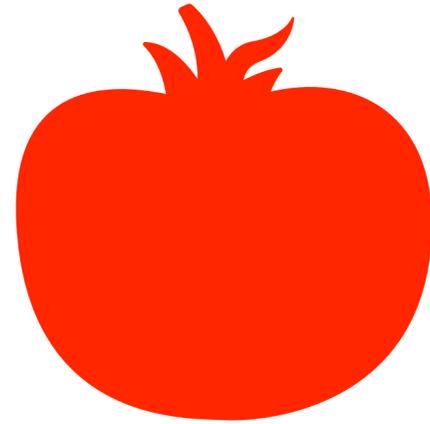
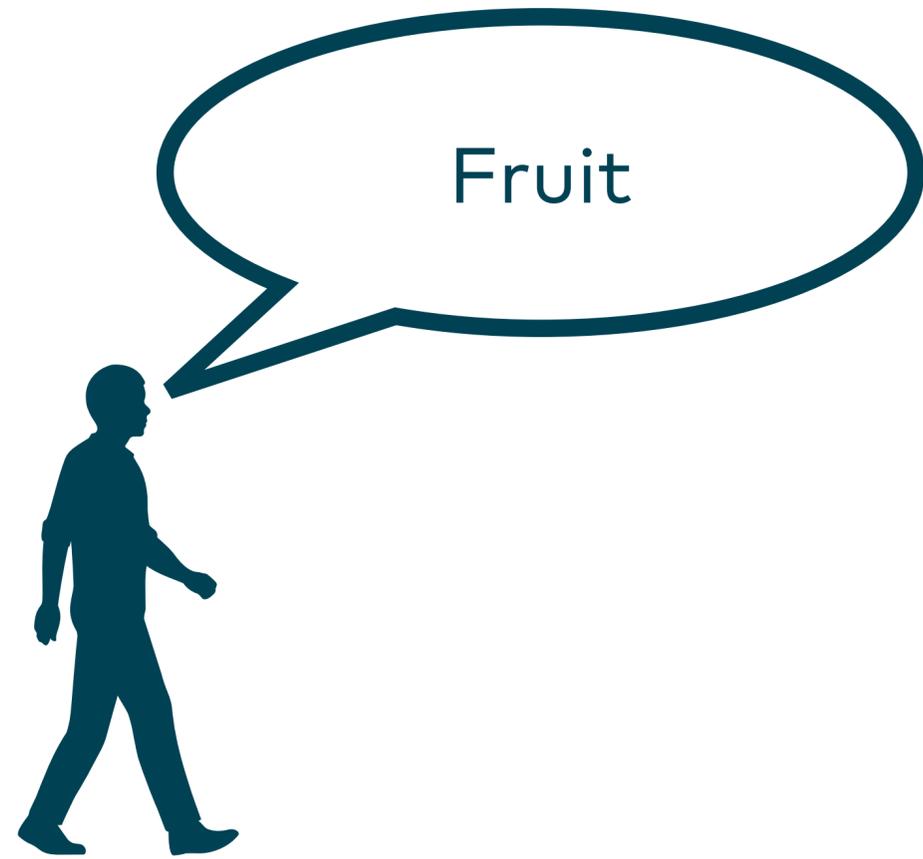
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A fruit or a vegetable?



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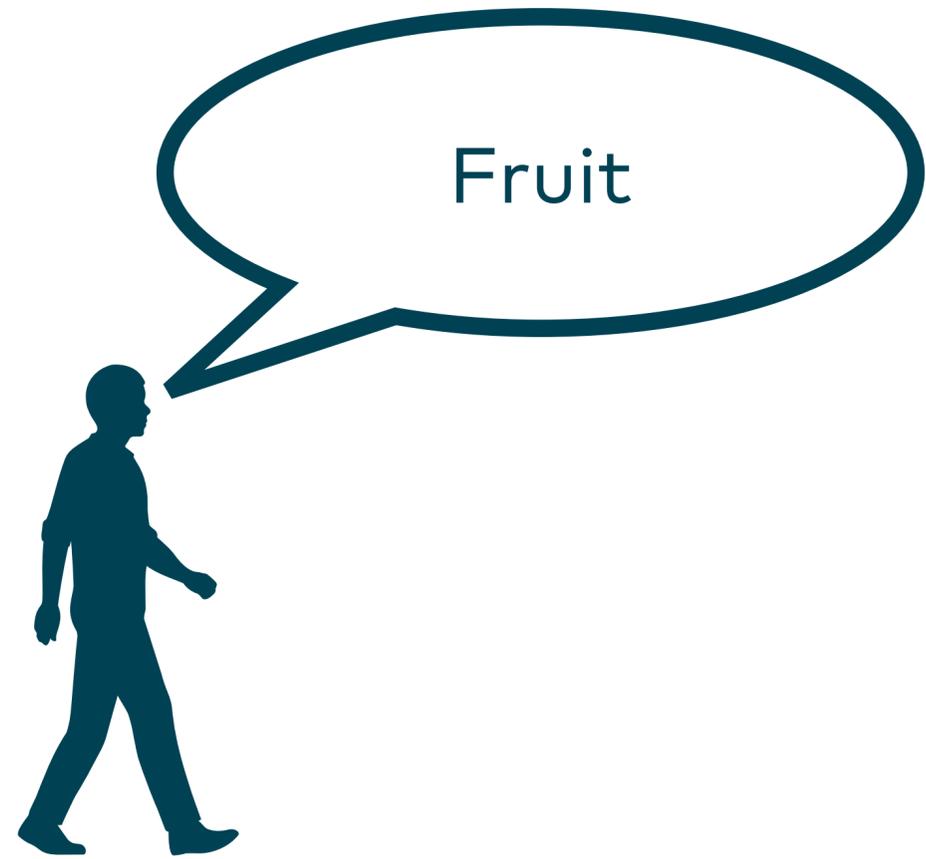
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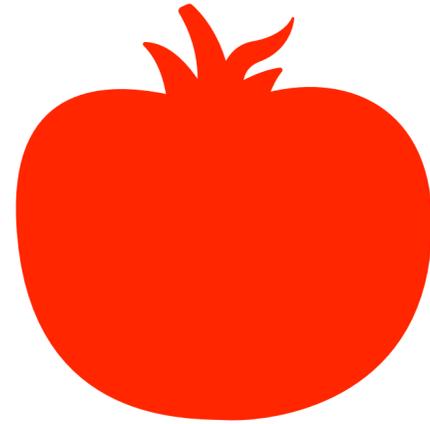
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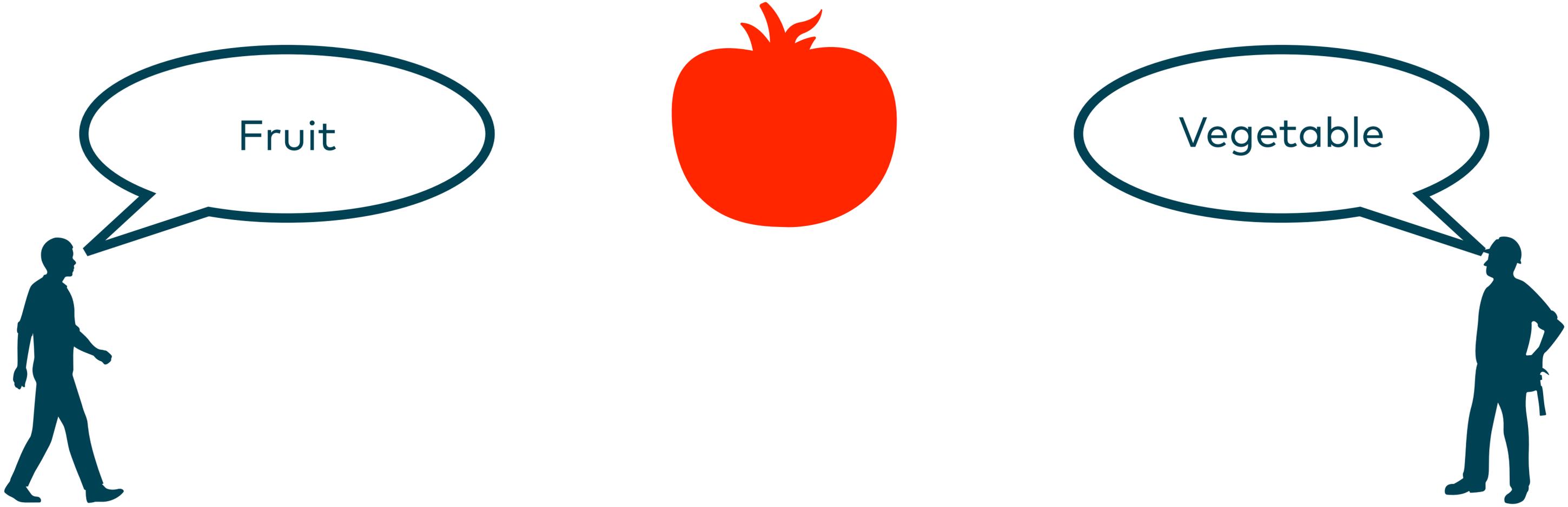
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Cooking

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Fruit

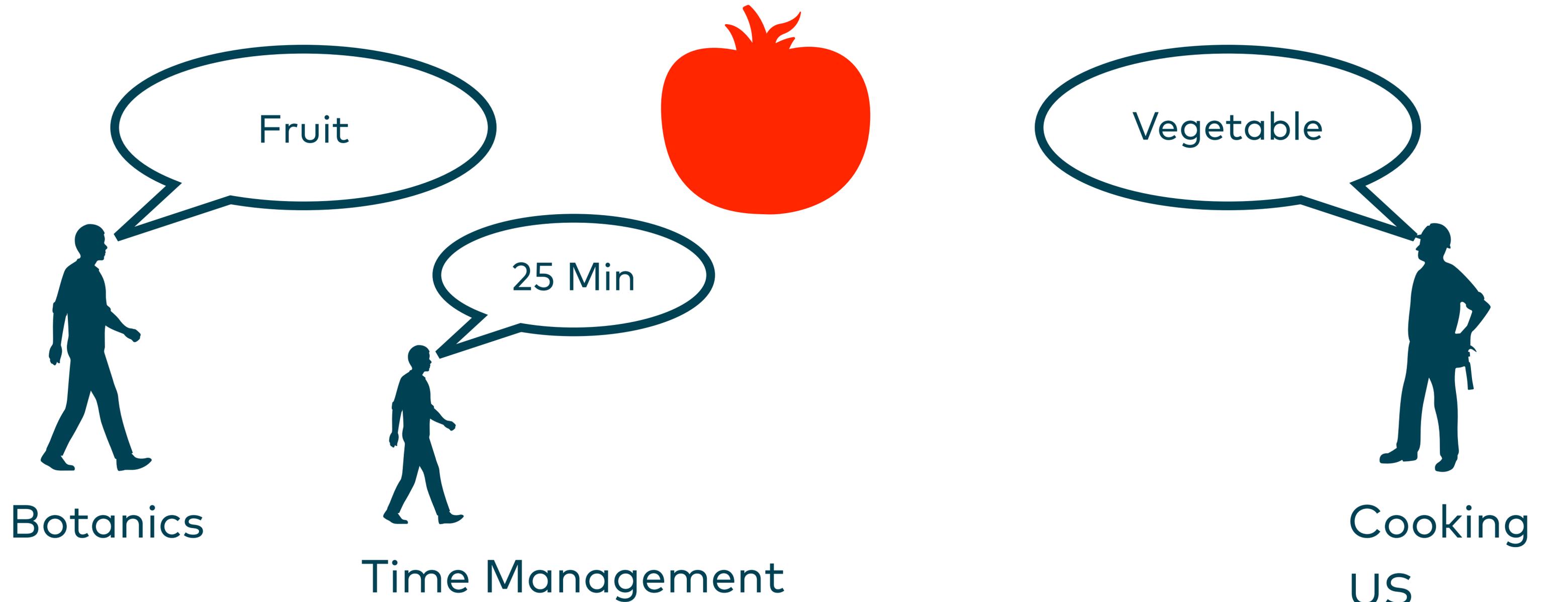
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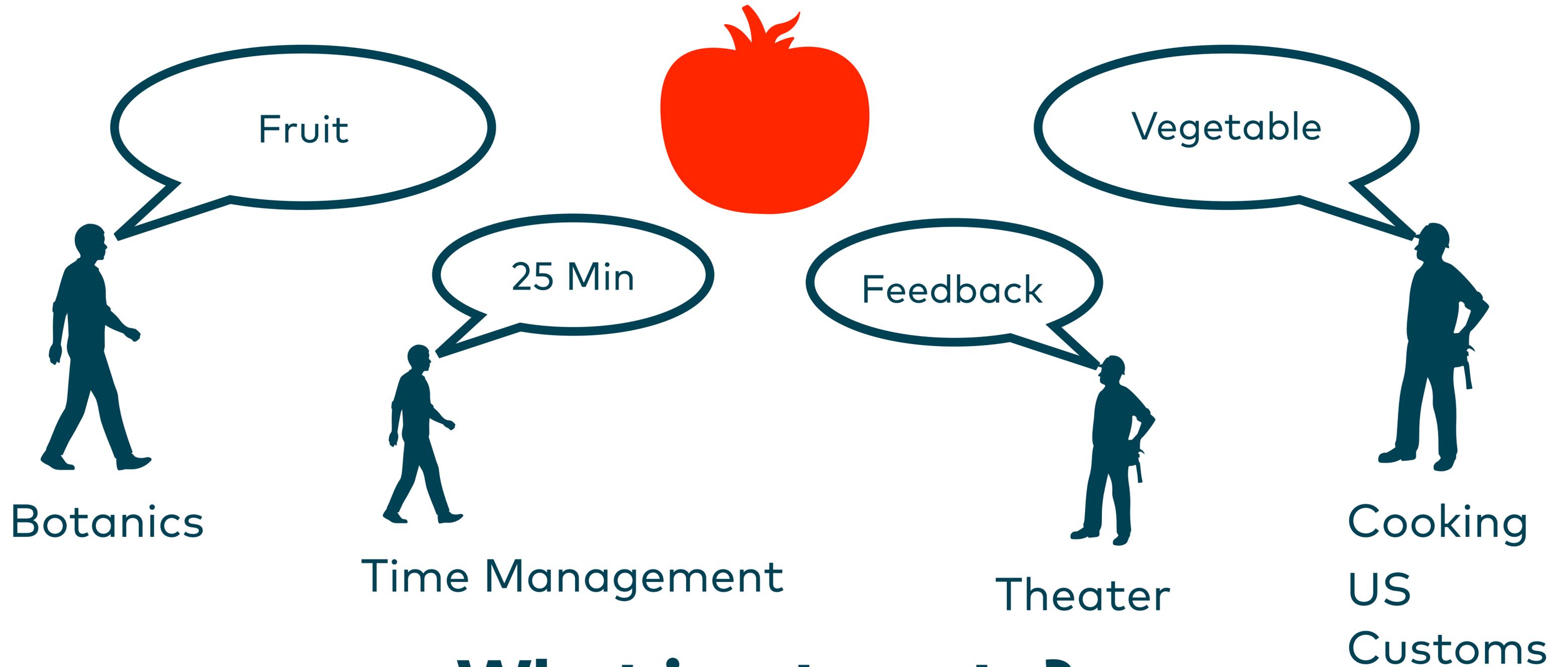
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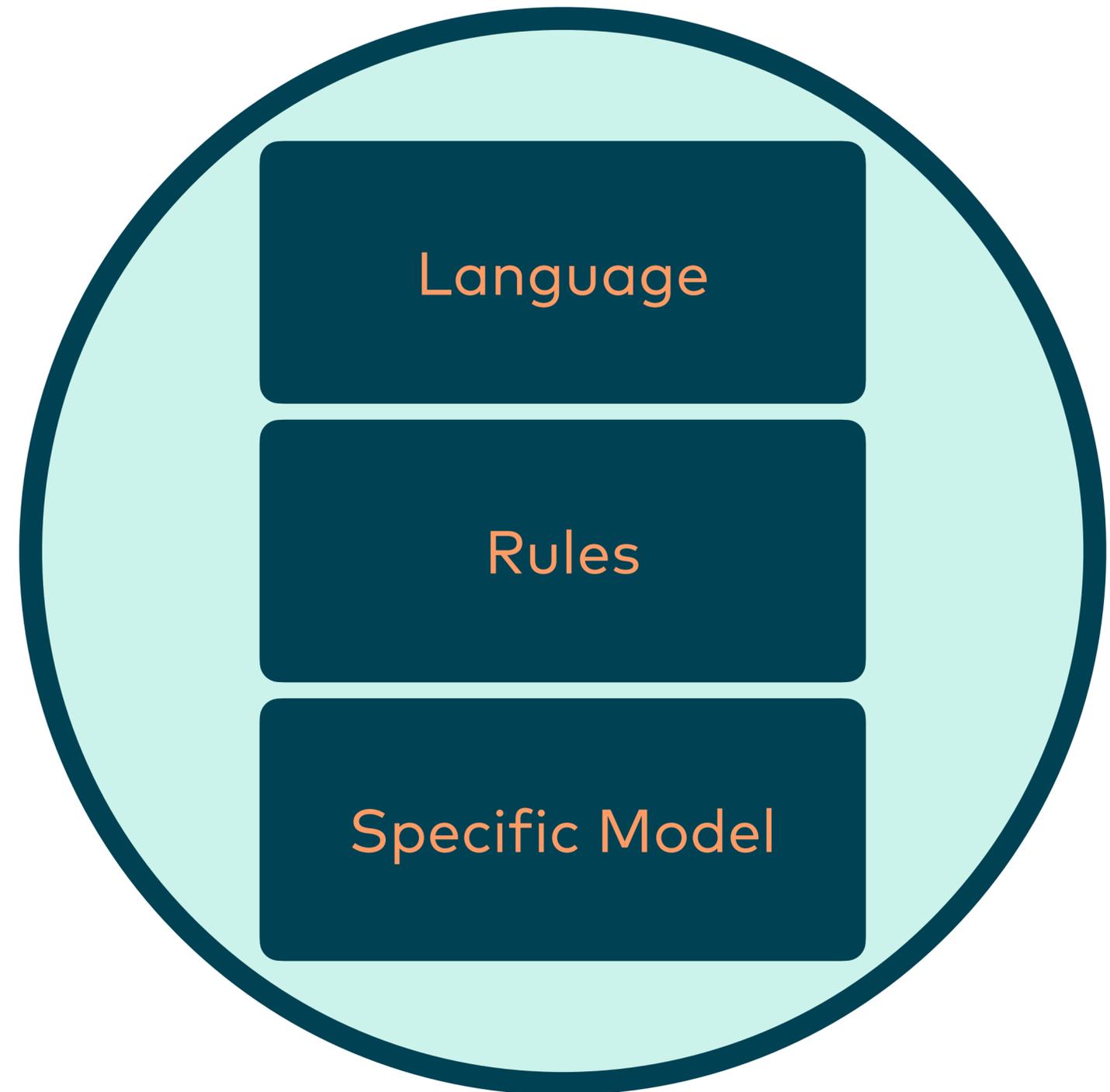
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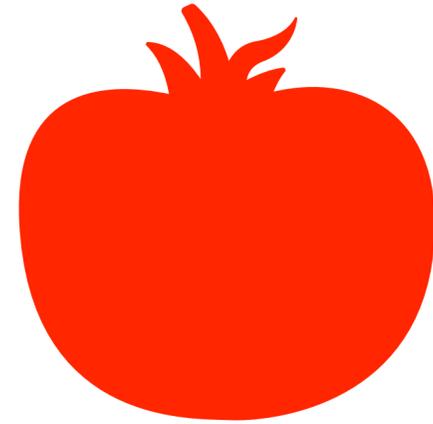
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Purpose





The Bounded Context is not about the
Botanics-US Customs-Cooking-Time management-
Feedback
Tomato

It aims at specific models tied to a specific purpose

Some IT conference

Room planning

Selling tickets

Registration of visitors

Handling of payments

Lunch planning

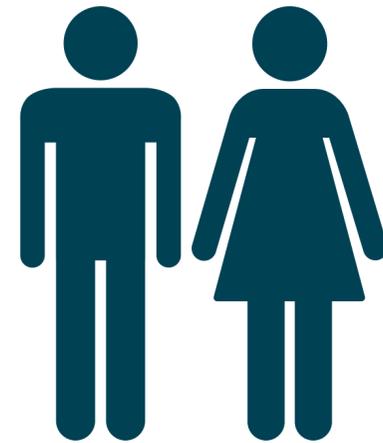
Printing of badges

YOU at some IT conference

Room planning

Selling tickets

Registration of visitors



Handling of payments

Lunch planning

Printing of badges

You can group concerns



Ticket Sales

Registration of visitors

Selling tickets

Handling of payments



**Event
Management**

Room planning

Lunch planning



Badges

Printing of badges

Don't

Repeat

Yourself

YOU at some IT conference

Room planning

Selling tickets

Registration of visitors

Lunch planning

Customer
customerNumber
firstName
lastName
address
birthday
twitterHandle
lunchPreferences
sessionRegistrations
paymentDetails
company
jobDescription

Handling of payments

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Bounded Context

This has no purpose at all and the language is also not specific here

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address
birthday
twitterHandle
lunchPreferences
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company
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Maybe those are interesting bounded context candidates?

Ticket Sales

CustomerRegistration

customerNumber
firstName
lastName
address
birthday
email
company
payment

Event Management

LunchPreferences

amountOfVegetarians
amountOfMeatEaters
amountOfVegans

SessionInterest

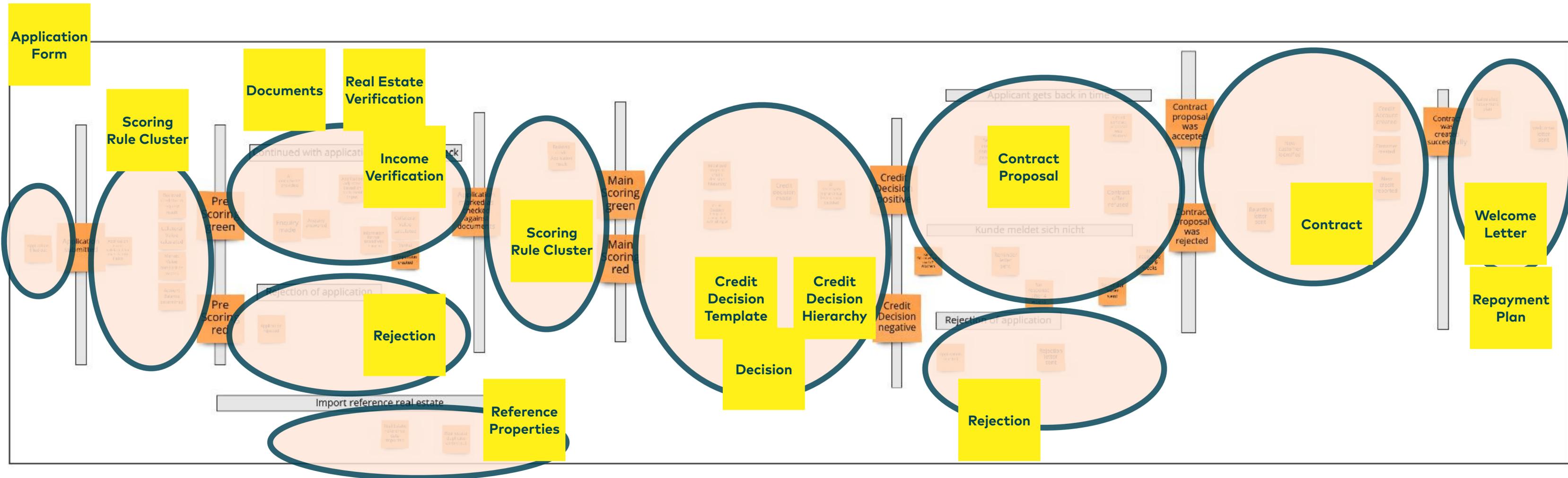
speaker
title
amountOfInterestedFolks

Badges

Badge

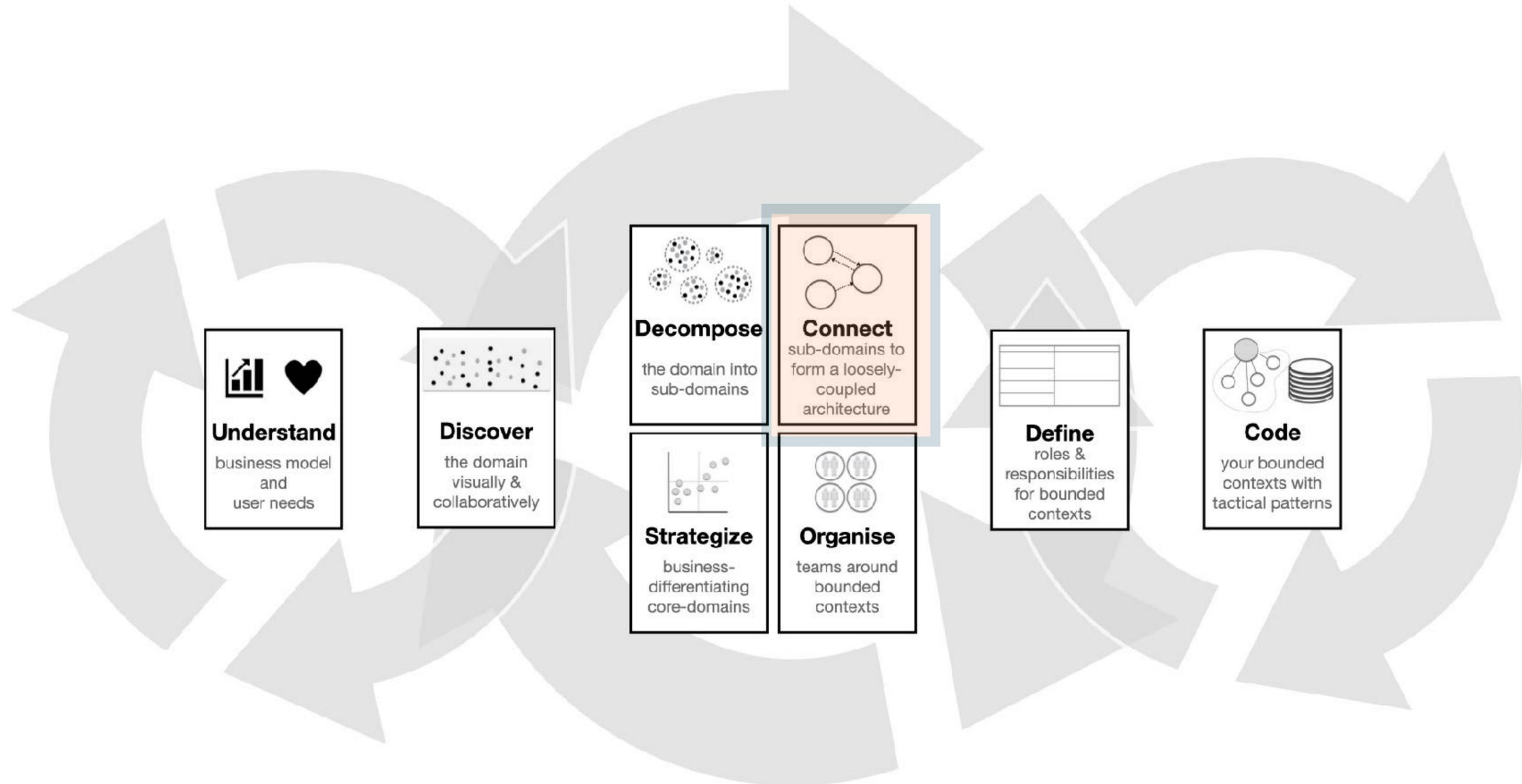
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Look for terminology



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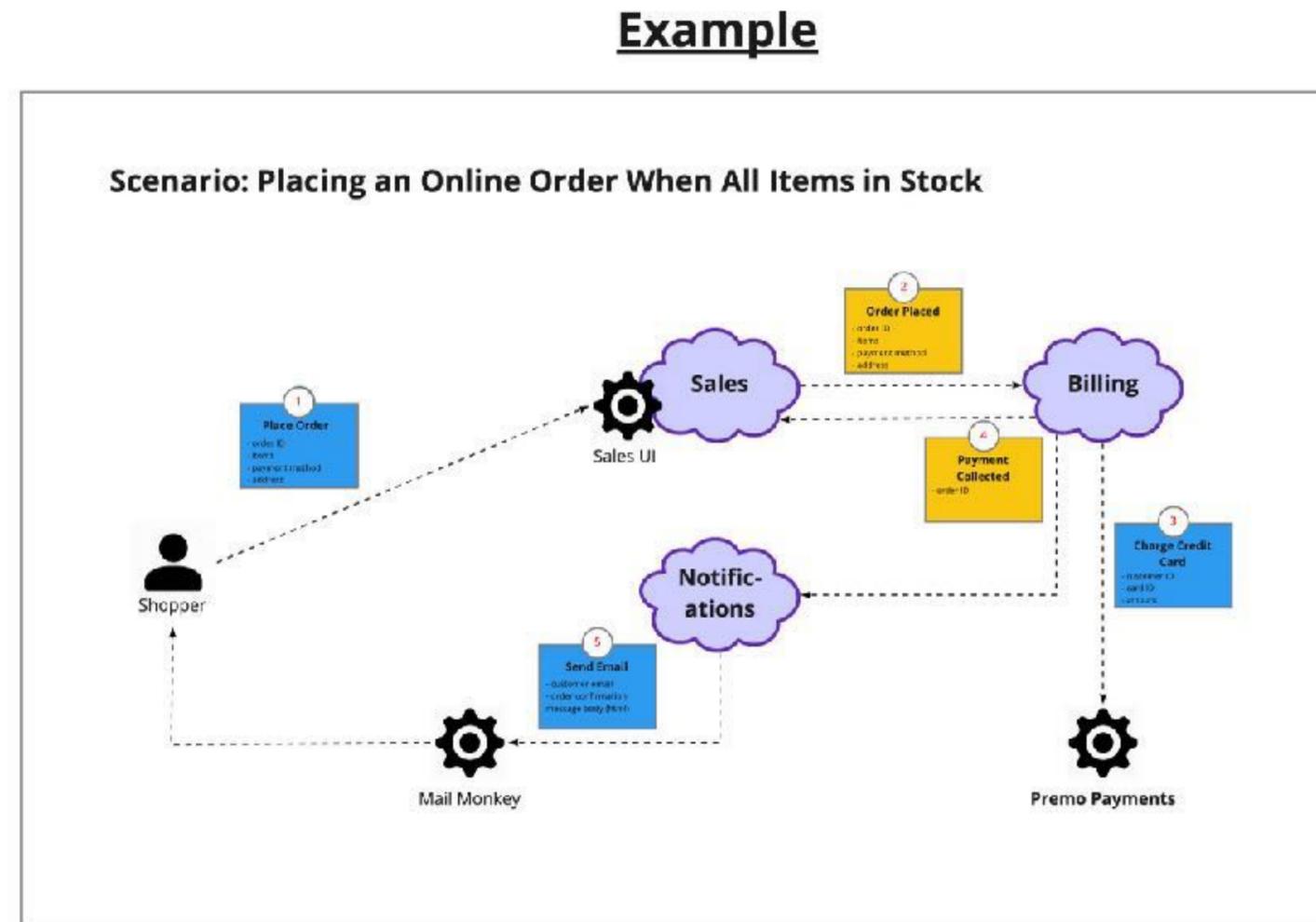
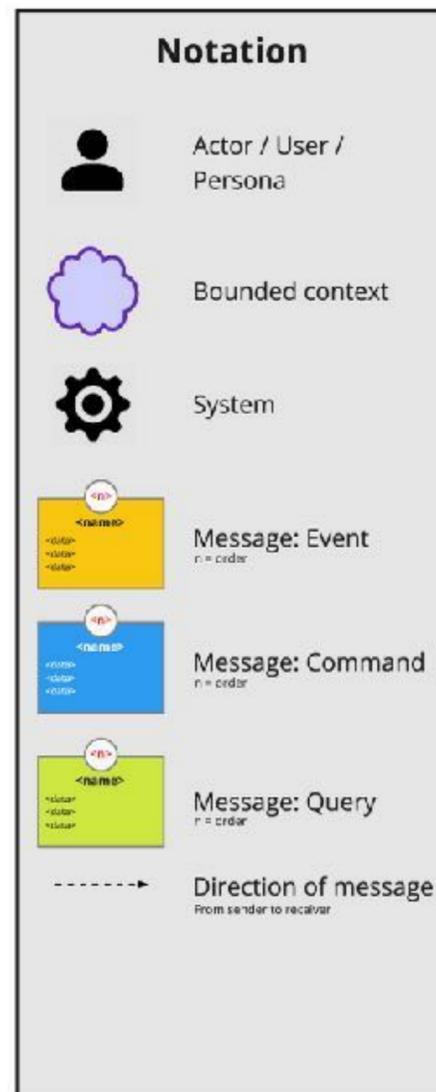
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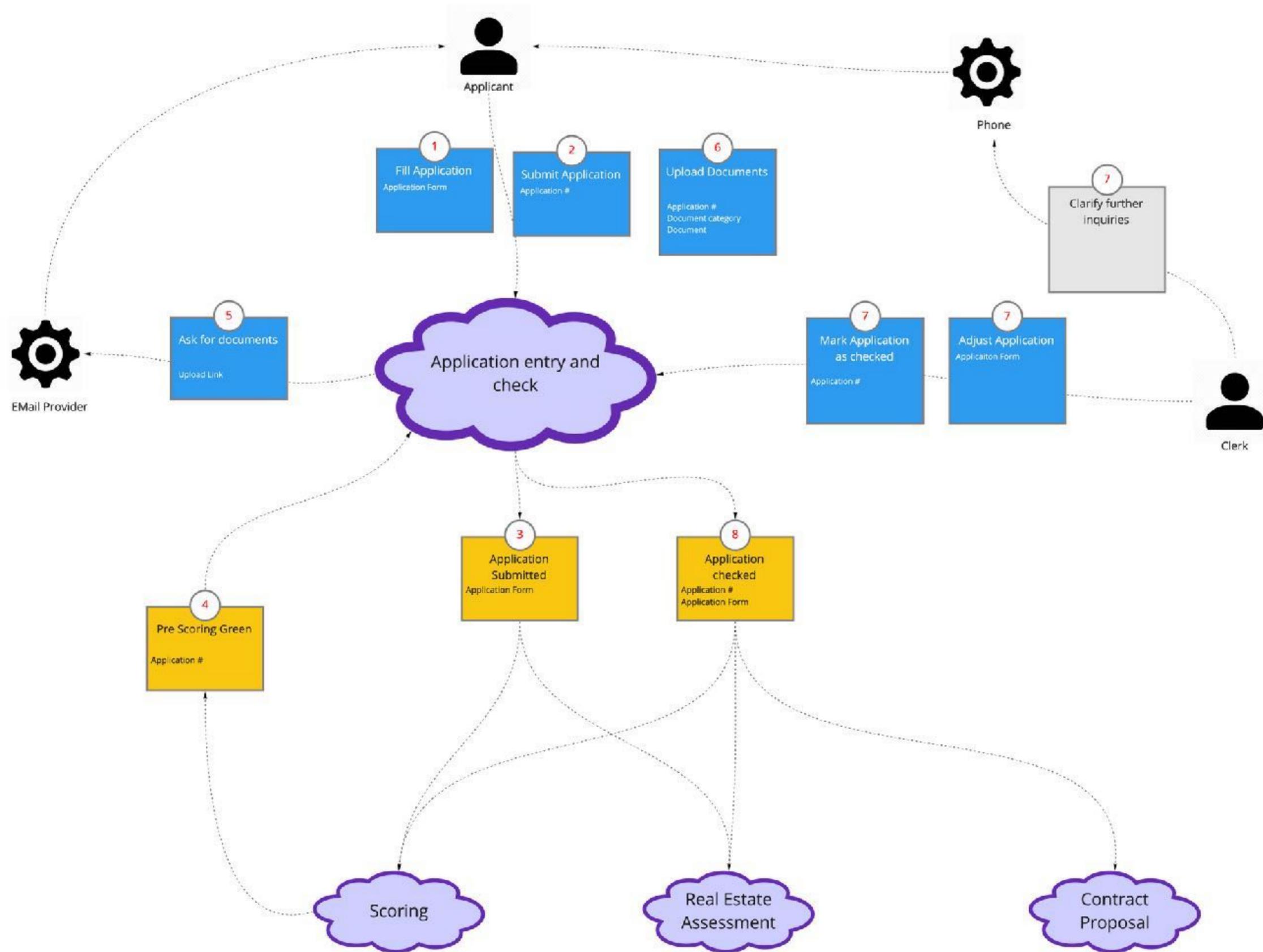
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Domain Message Flow Modelling

A Domain Message Flow Diagram is a simple visualization showing the flow of messages (commands, events, queries) between actors, bounded contexts, and systems, for a single scenario.

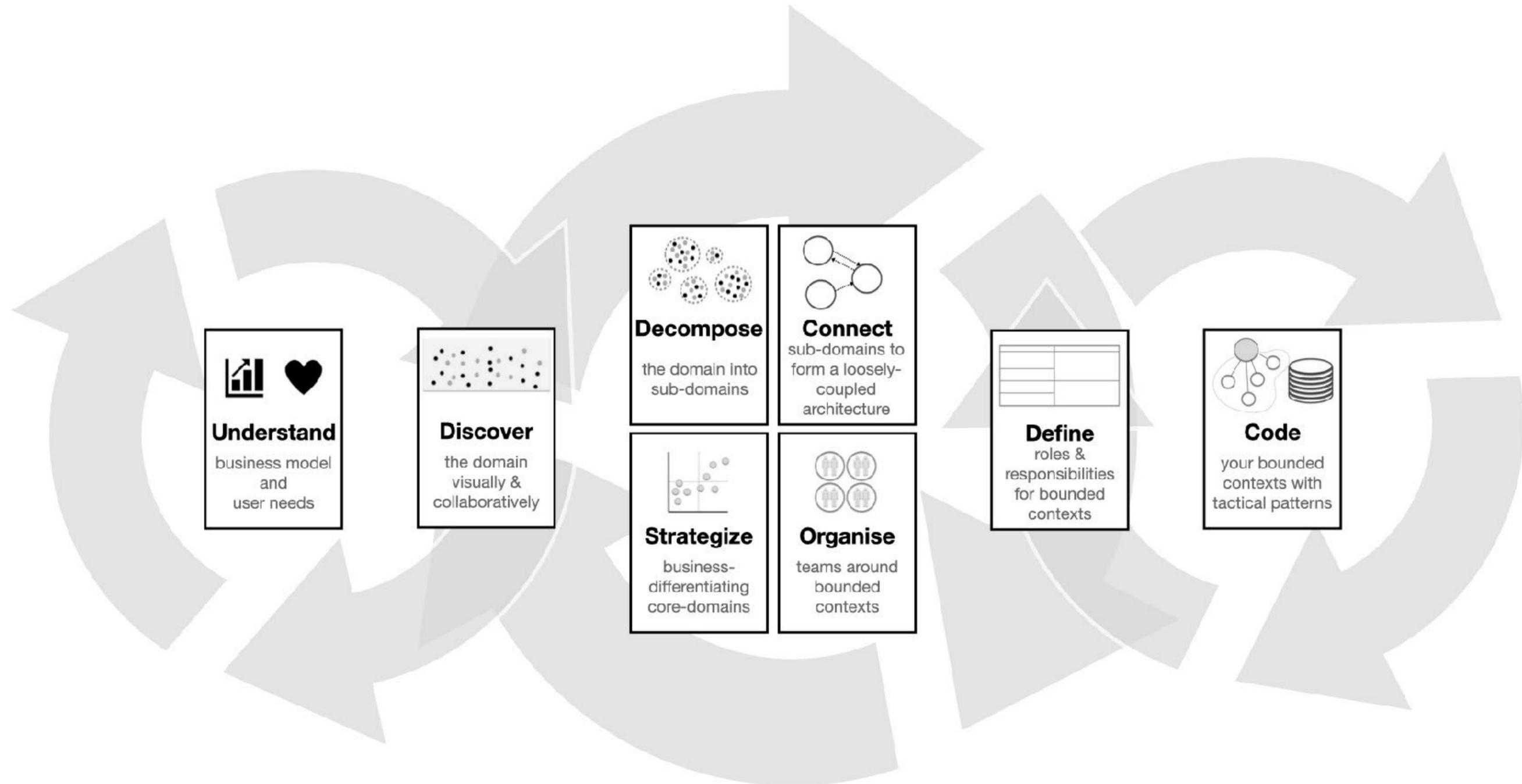


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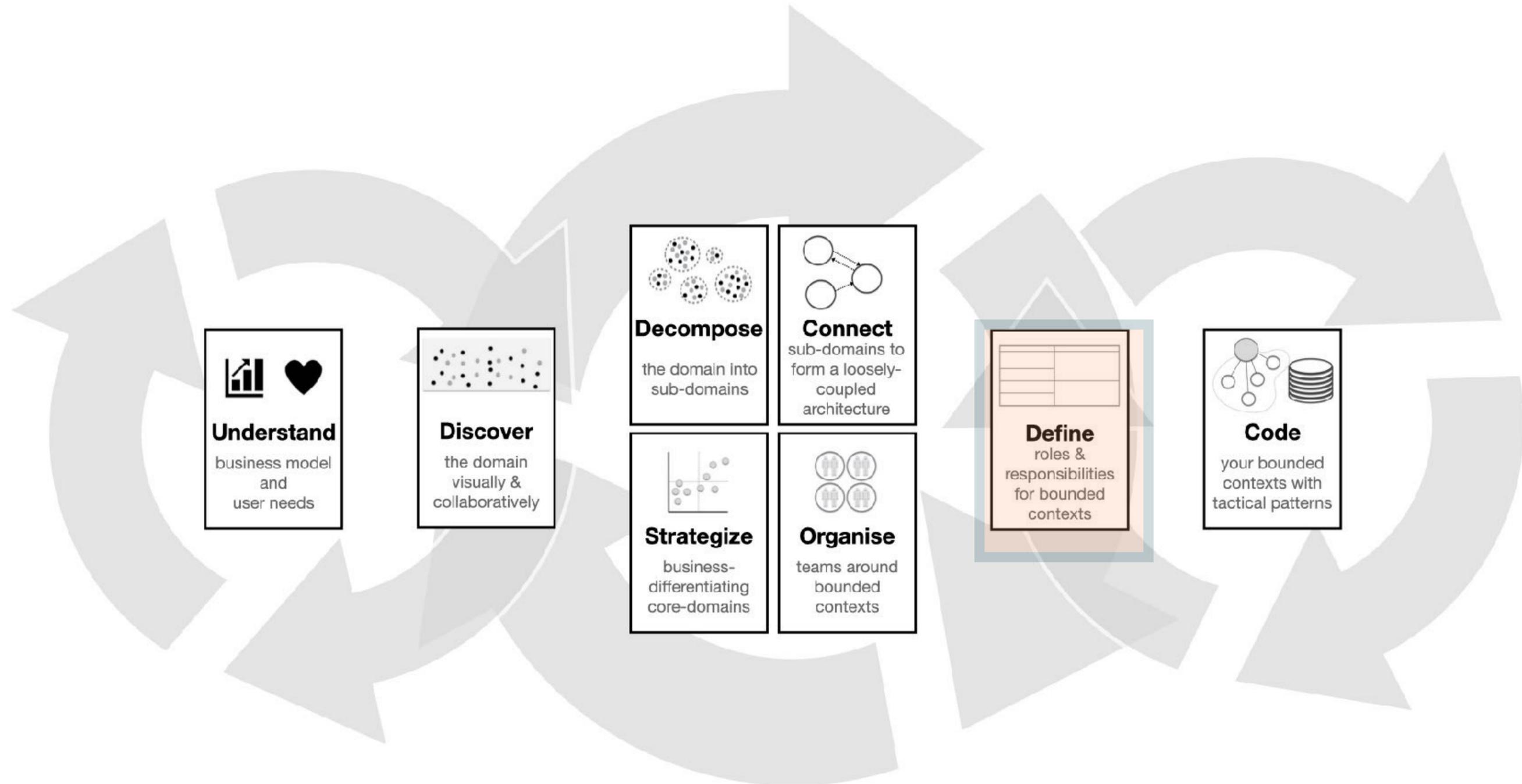
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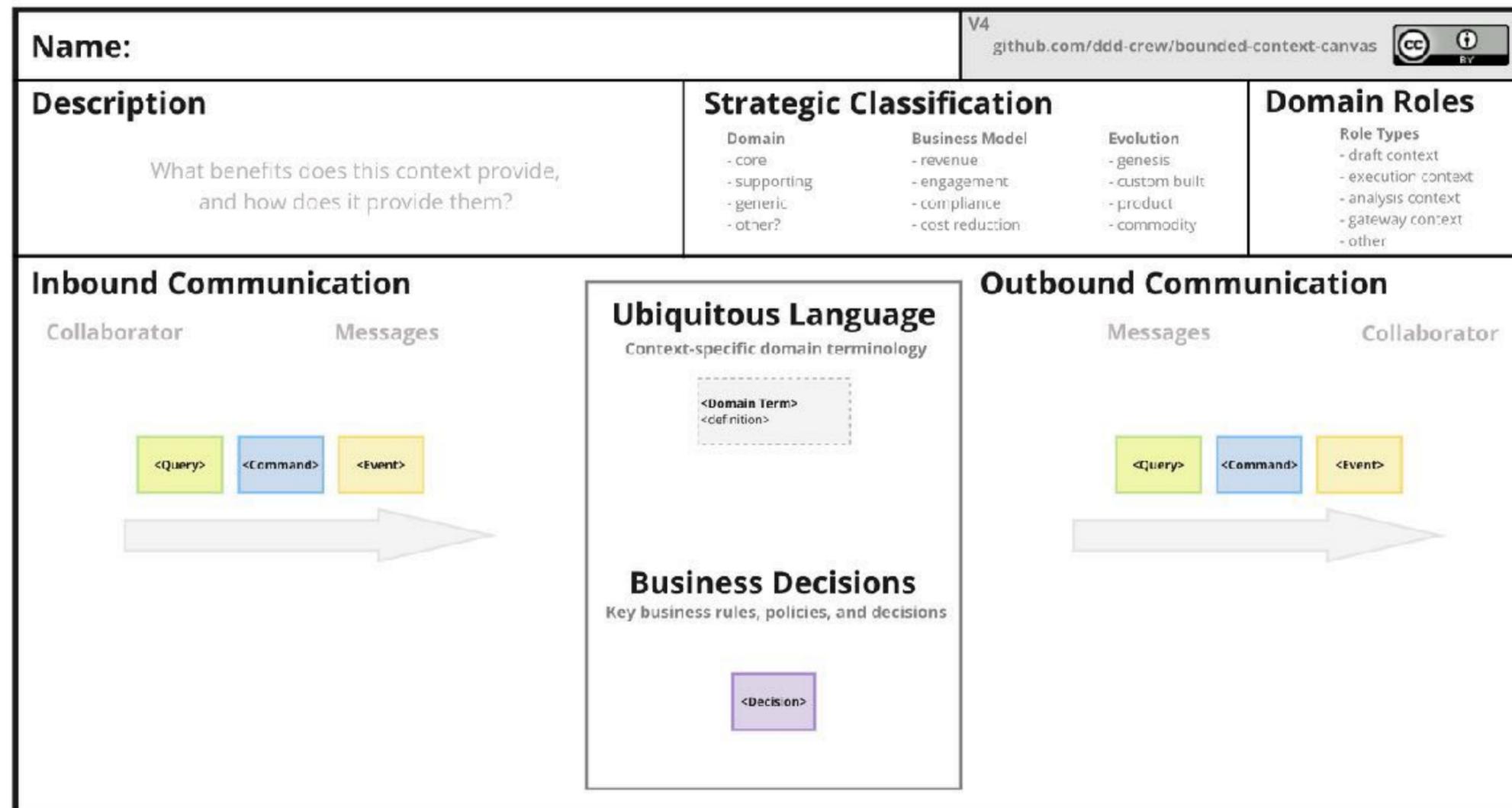
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Bounded Context Design Canvas

The canvas guides you through the process of designing a bounded context by requiring you to consider and make choices about the key elements of its design, from naming to responsibilities, to its public interface and dependencies.



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Name: Application entry and check

V4

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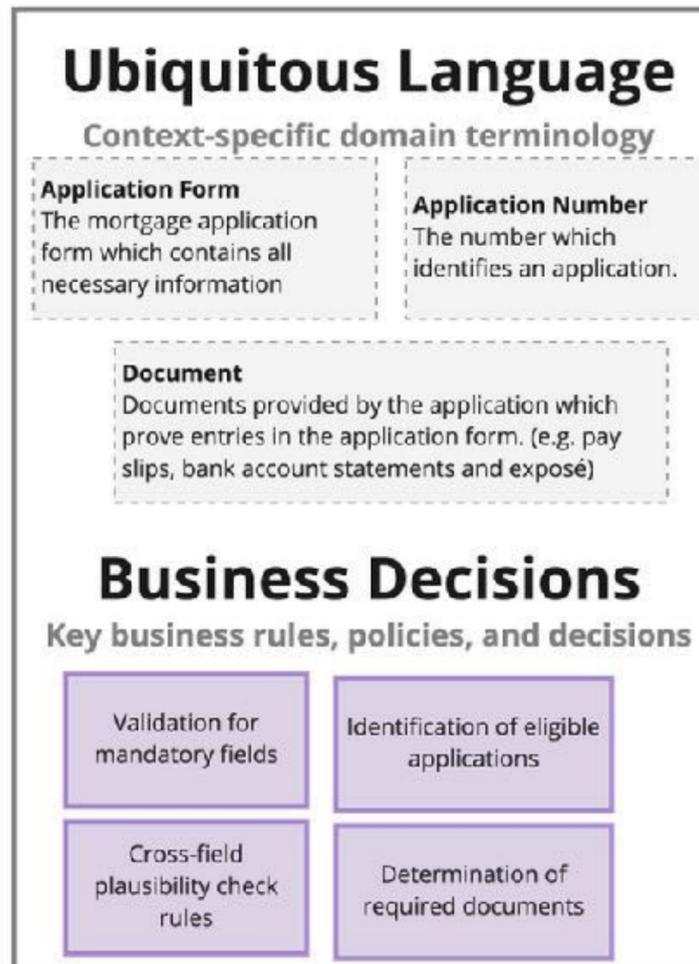
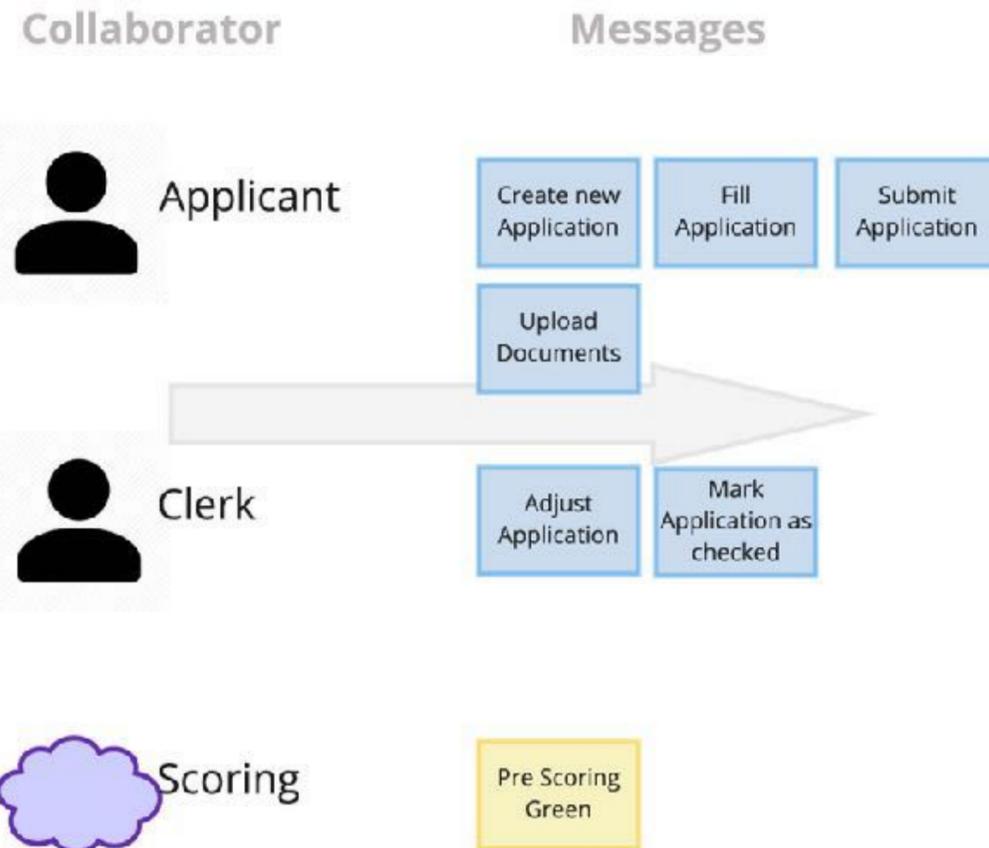
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- <u>core</u>	- revenue	- genesis
- supporting	- <u>engagement</u>	- <u>custom built</u>
- generic	- <u>compliance</u>	- product
- other?	- cost reduction	- commodity

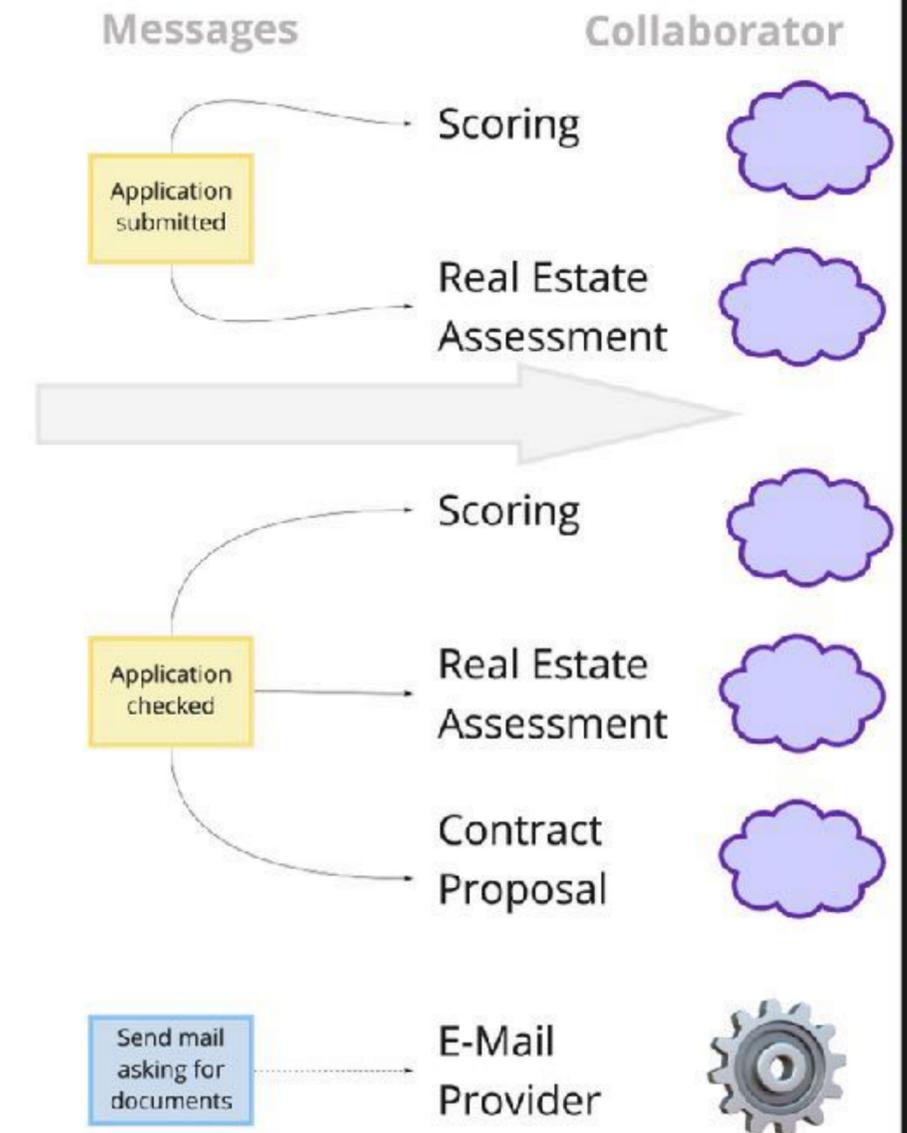
Domain Roles

Engagement Context

Inbound Communication



Outbound Communication



Think about
COHESION

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Collaborator

Messages



Applicant

Create new Application

Fill Application

Submit Application

Application Form

The mortgage application form which contains all necessary information

Application Number

The number which identifies an application.

Outbound Communication

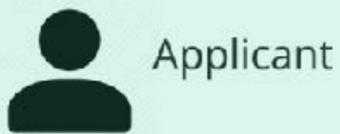
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Collaborator

Application submitted

Scoring

Real Estate Assessment



Applicant

Upload Documents

Adjust Application

Mark Application as checked

Validation for mandatory fields

Identification of eligible applications

Cross-field plausibility check rules

Determination of required documents

Document

Documents provided by the application which prove entries in the application form. (e.g. pay slips, bank account statements and exposé)



Clerk



Scoring

Pre Scoring Green

Application checked

Scoring

Real Estate Assessment

Contract Proposal



Send mail asking for documents

E-Mail Provider



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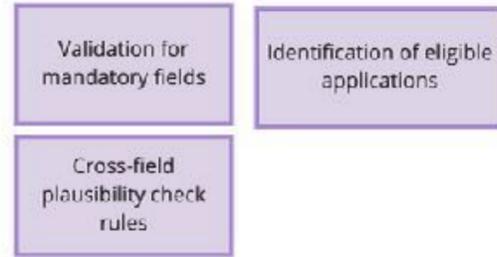
Ubiquitous Language

Context-specific domain terminology

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Business Decisions

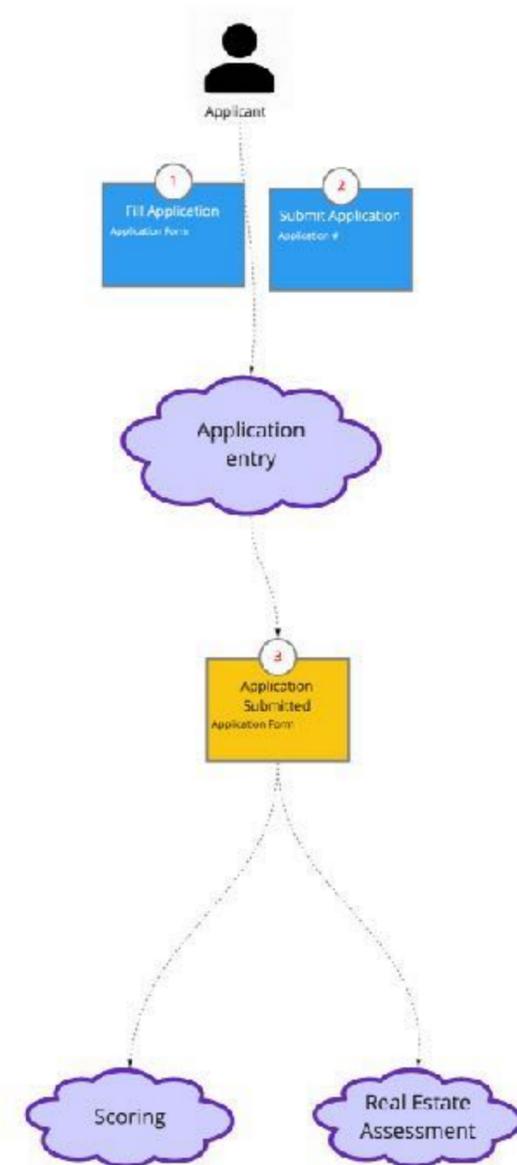
Key business rules, policies, and decisions



Outbound Communication

Messages

Collaborator



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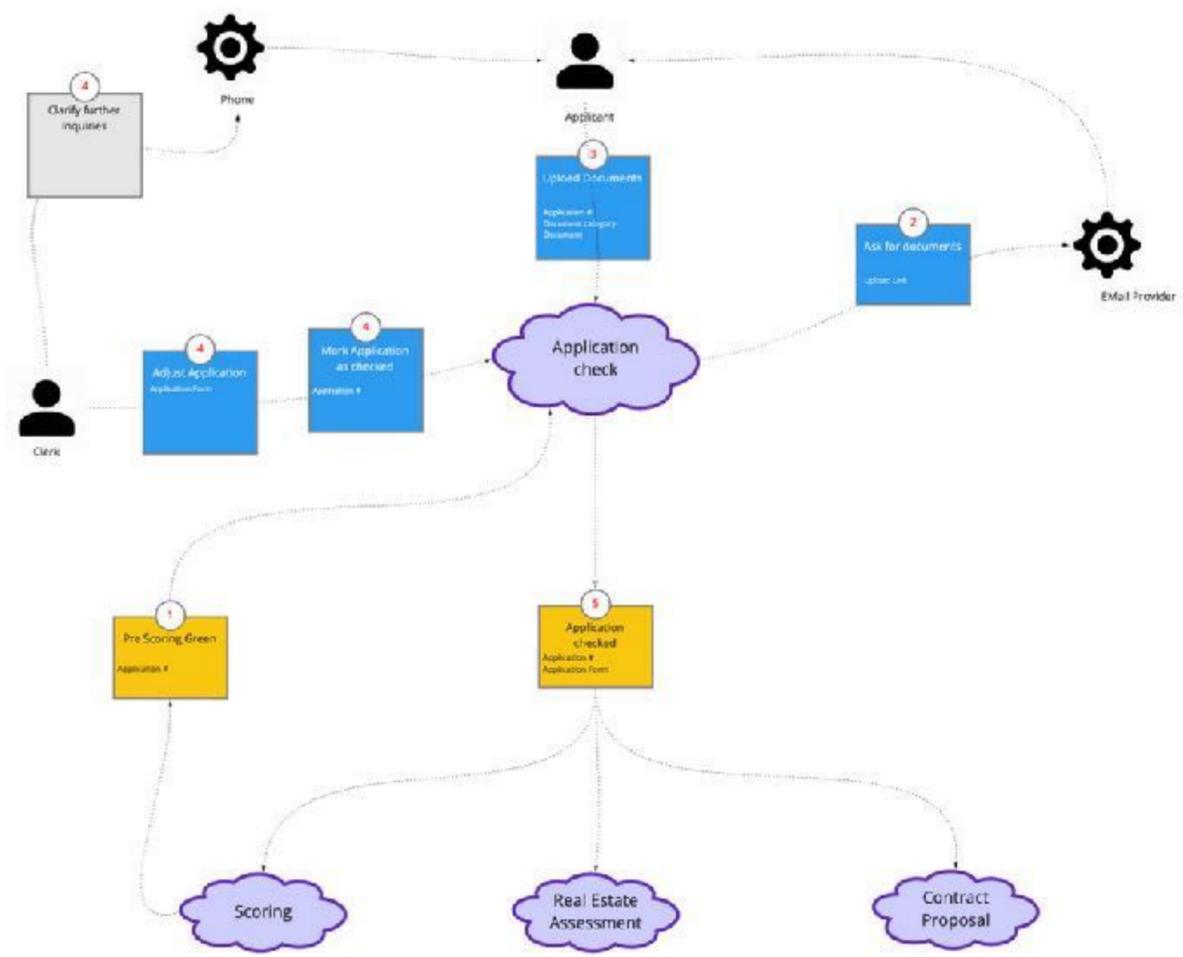
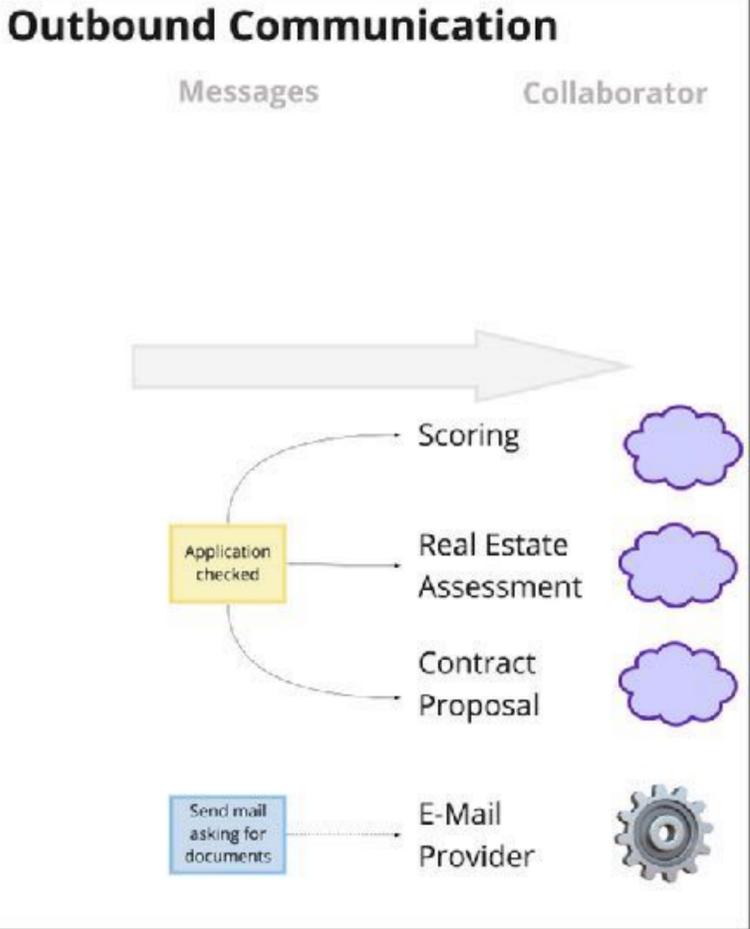
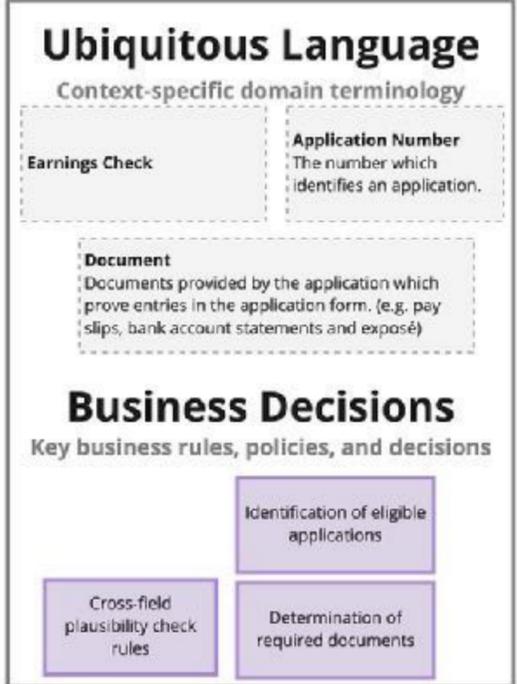
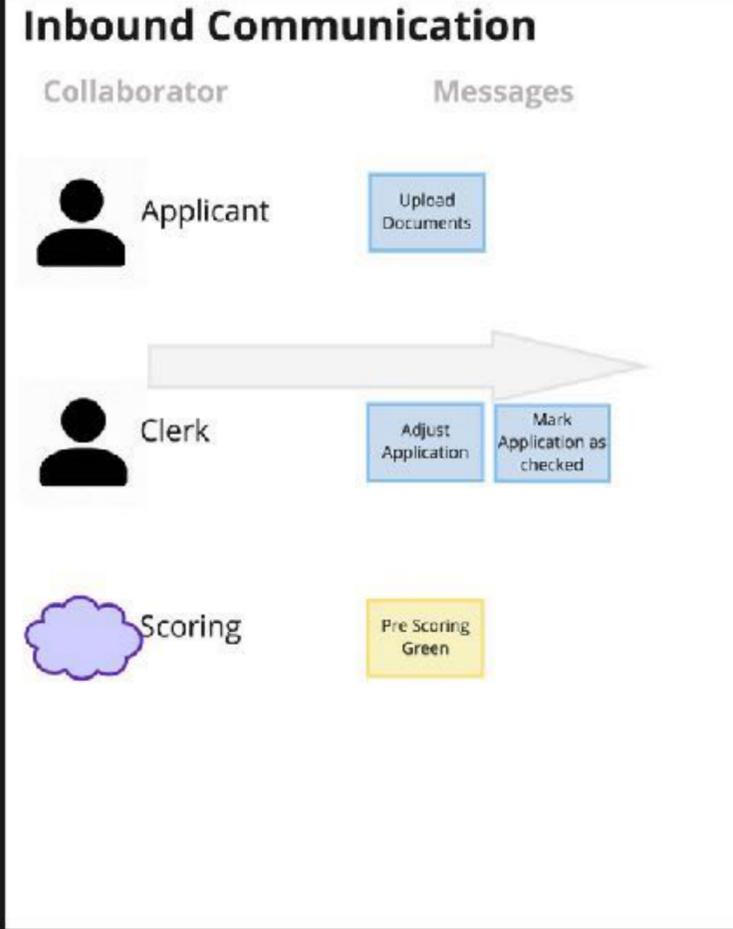
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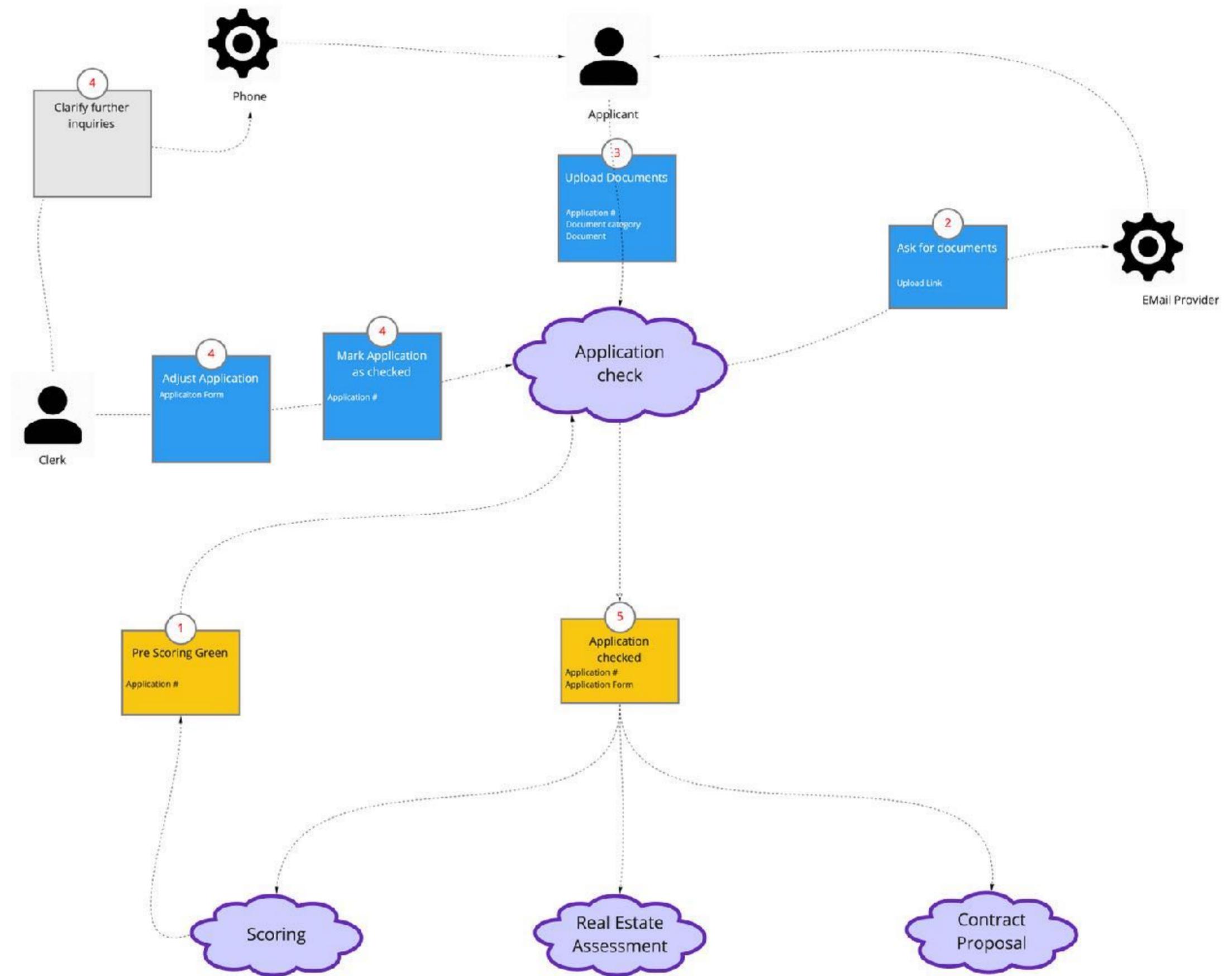
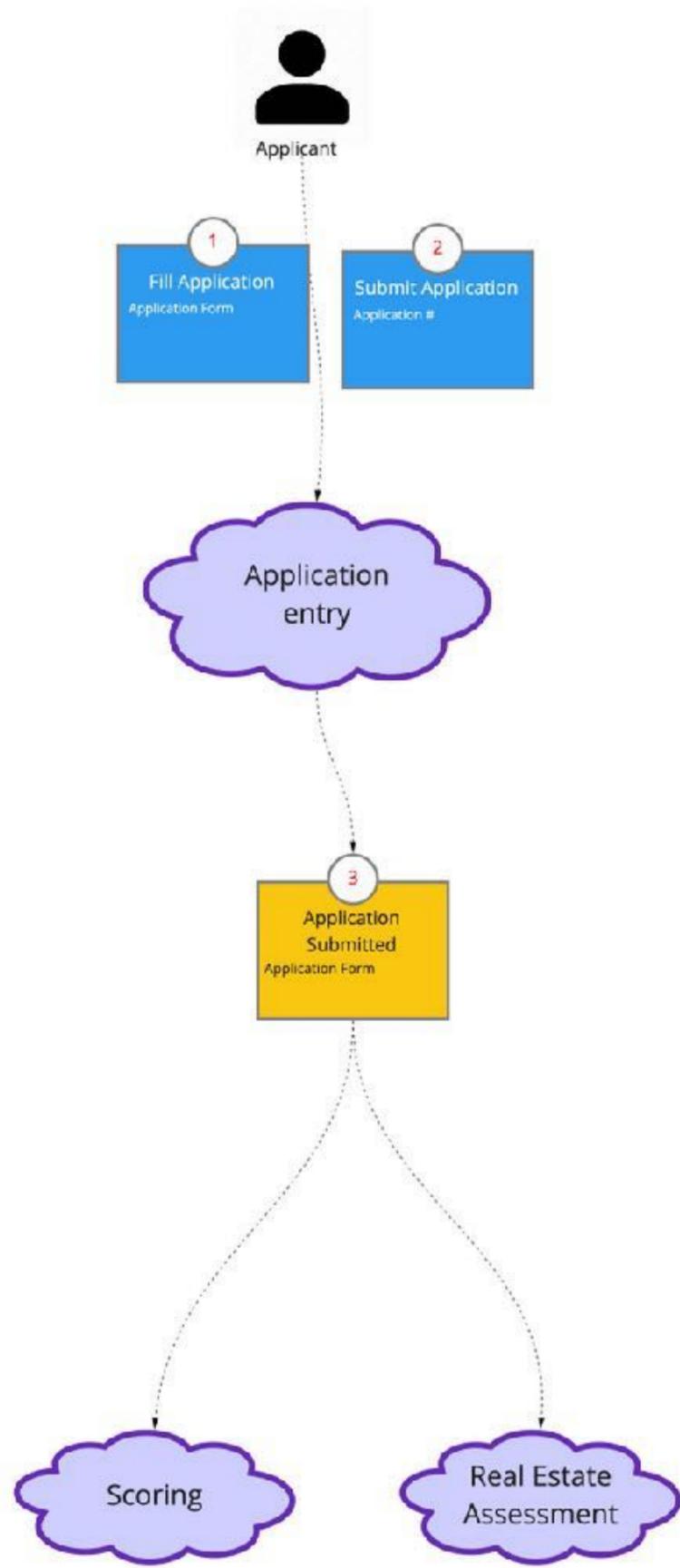
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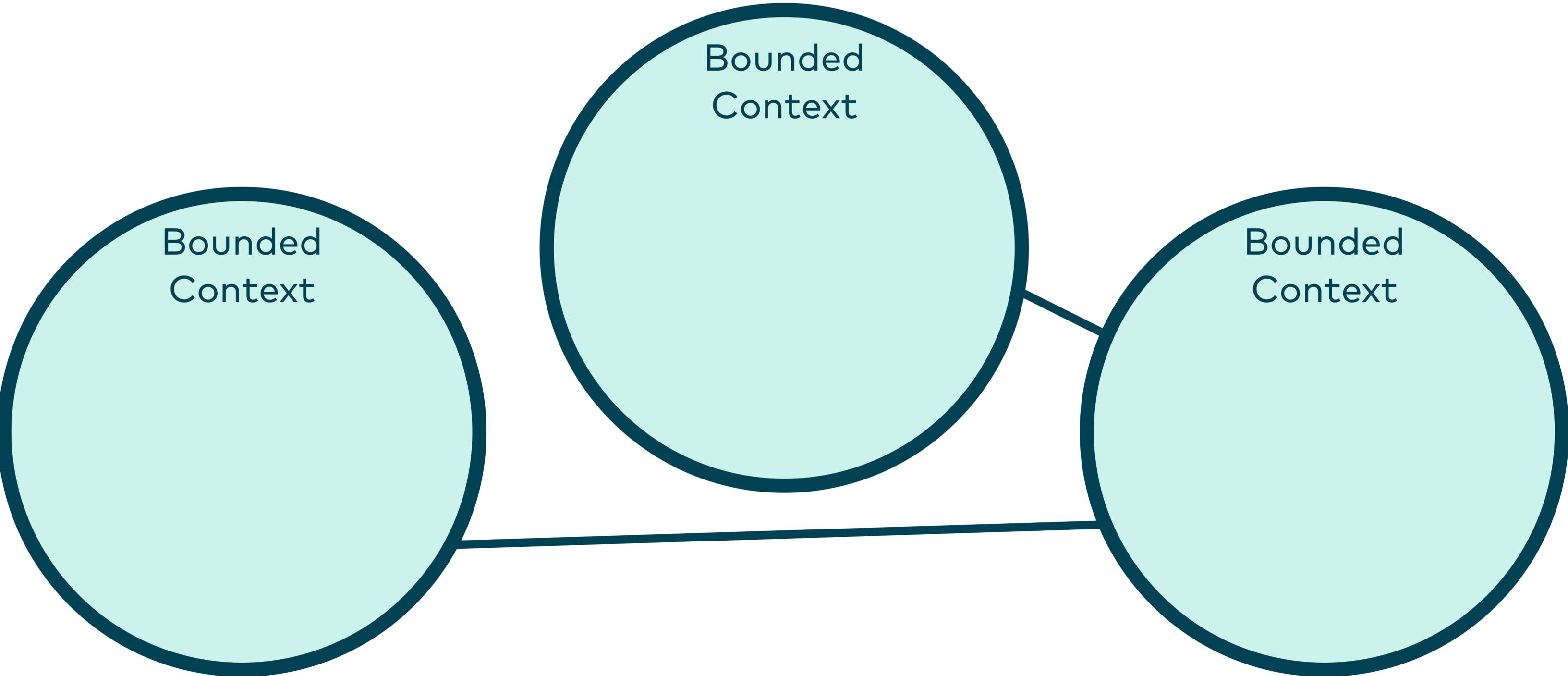
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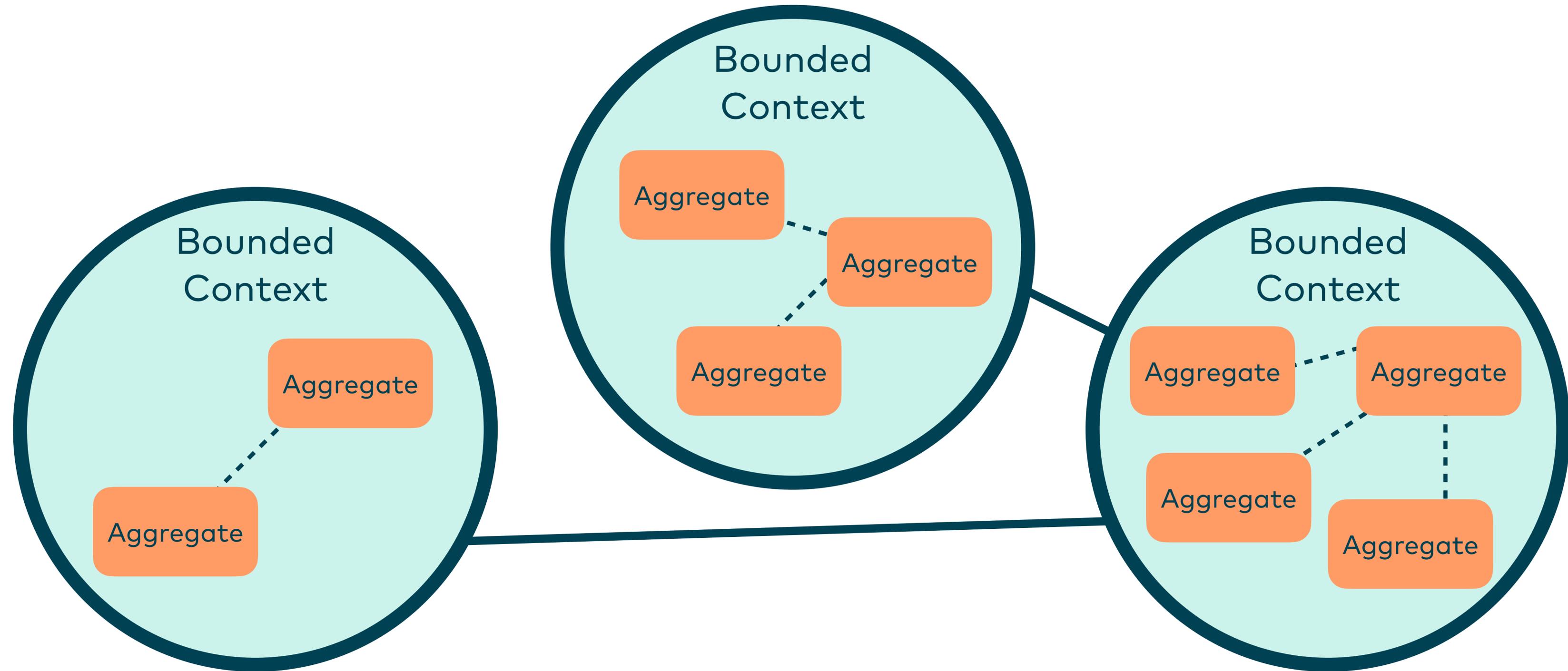




Let's dig into the Bounded Contexts

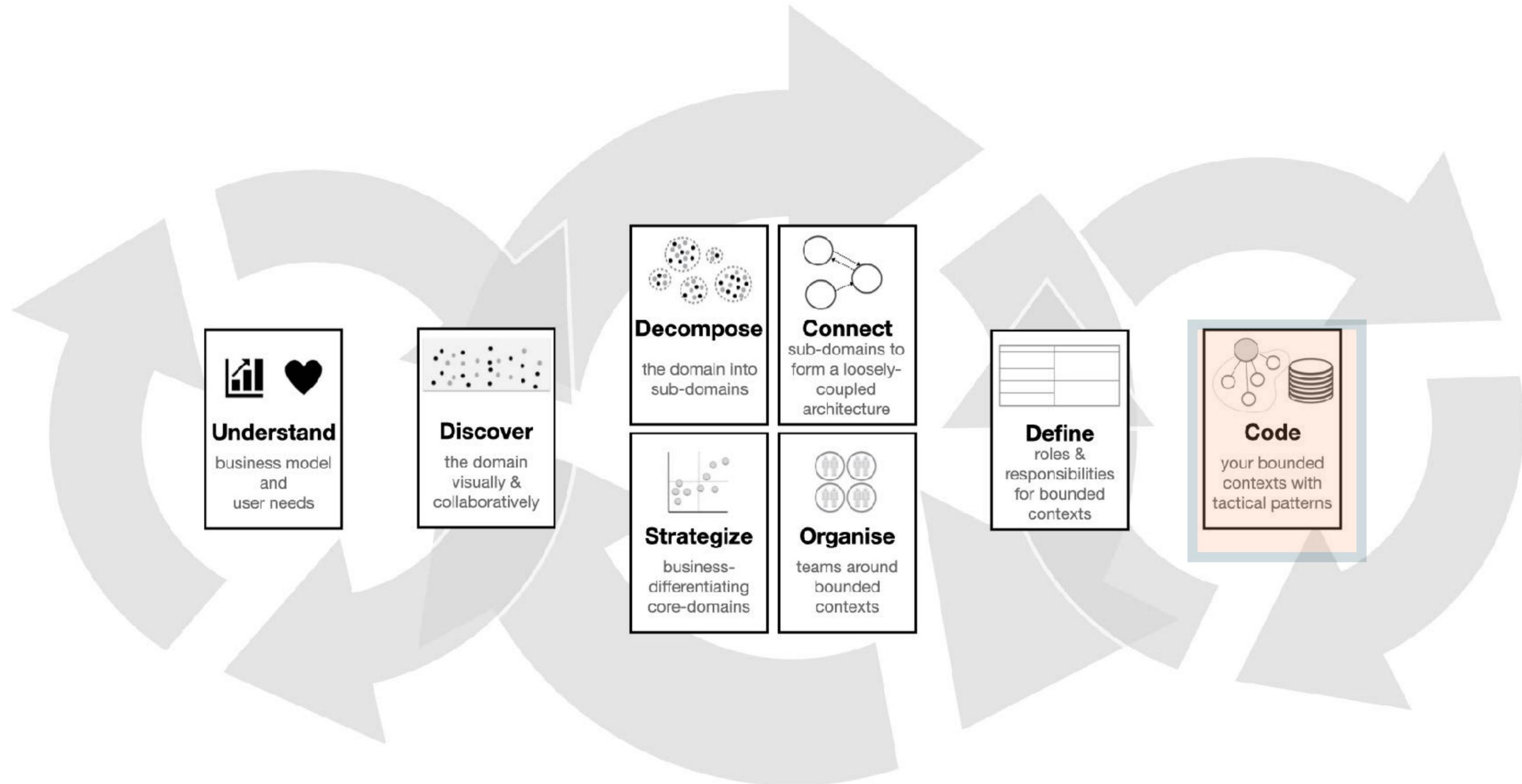


Let's dig into the Bounded Contexts



Domain-Driven Design Starter Modelling Process

A starter process for beginners, not a rigid best-practice. DDD is continuous, evolutionary, and iterative design.



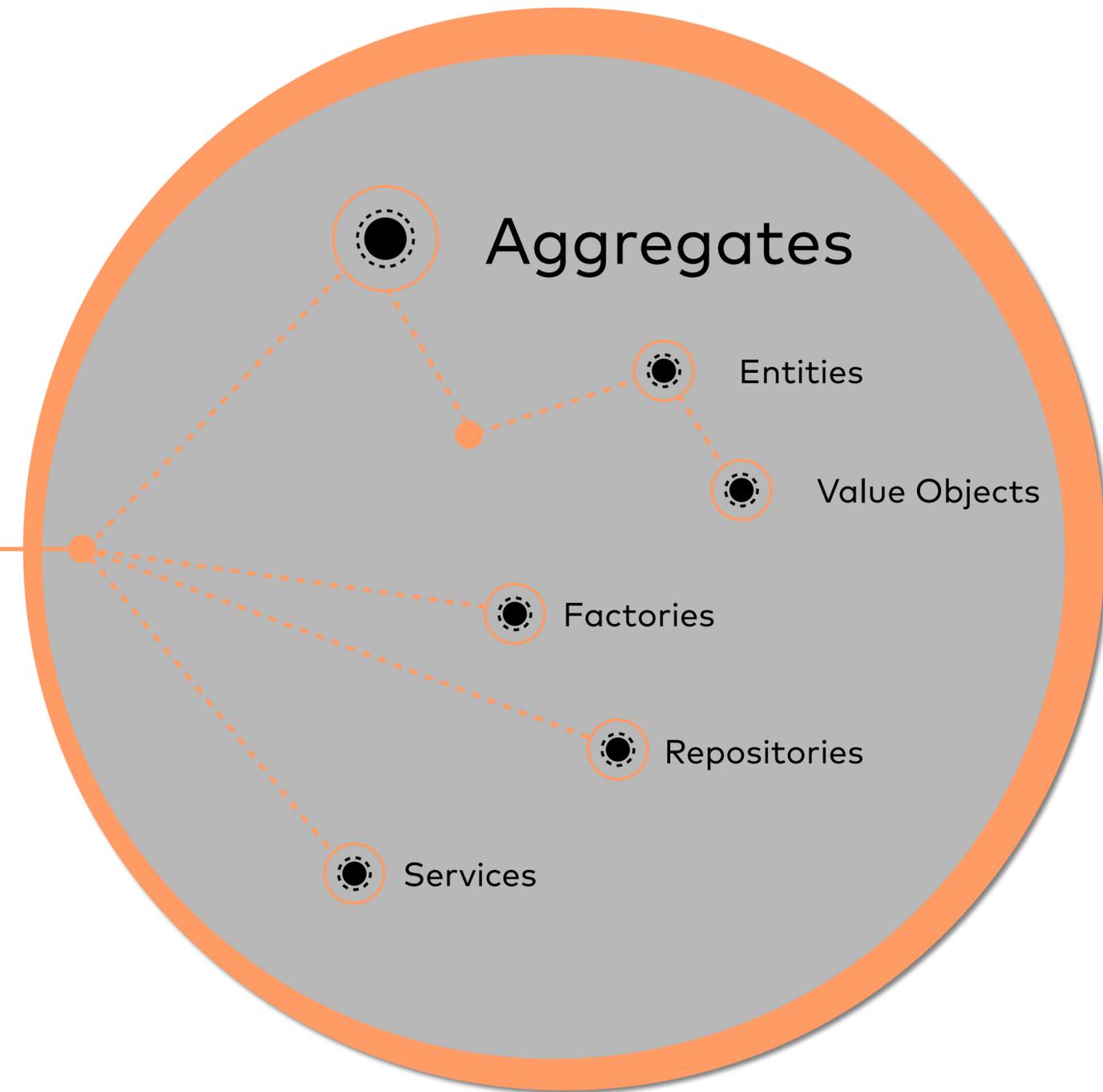
<https://github.com/ddd-crew/ddd-starter-modelling-process>

**Everything from here on is
inside a Bounded Context**

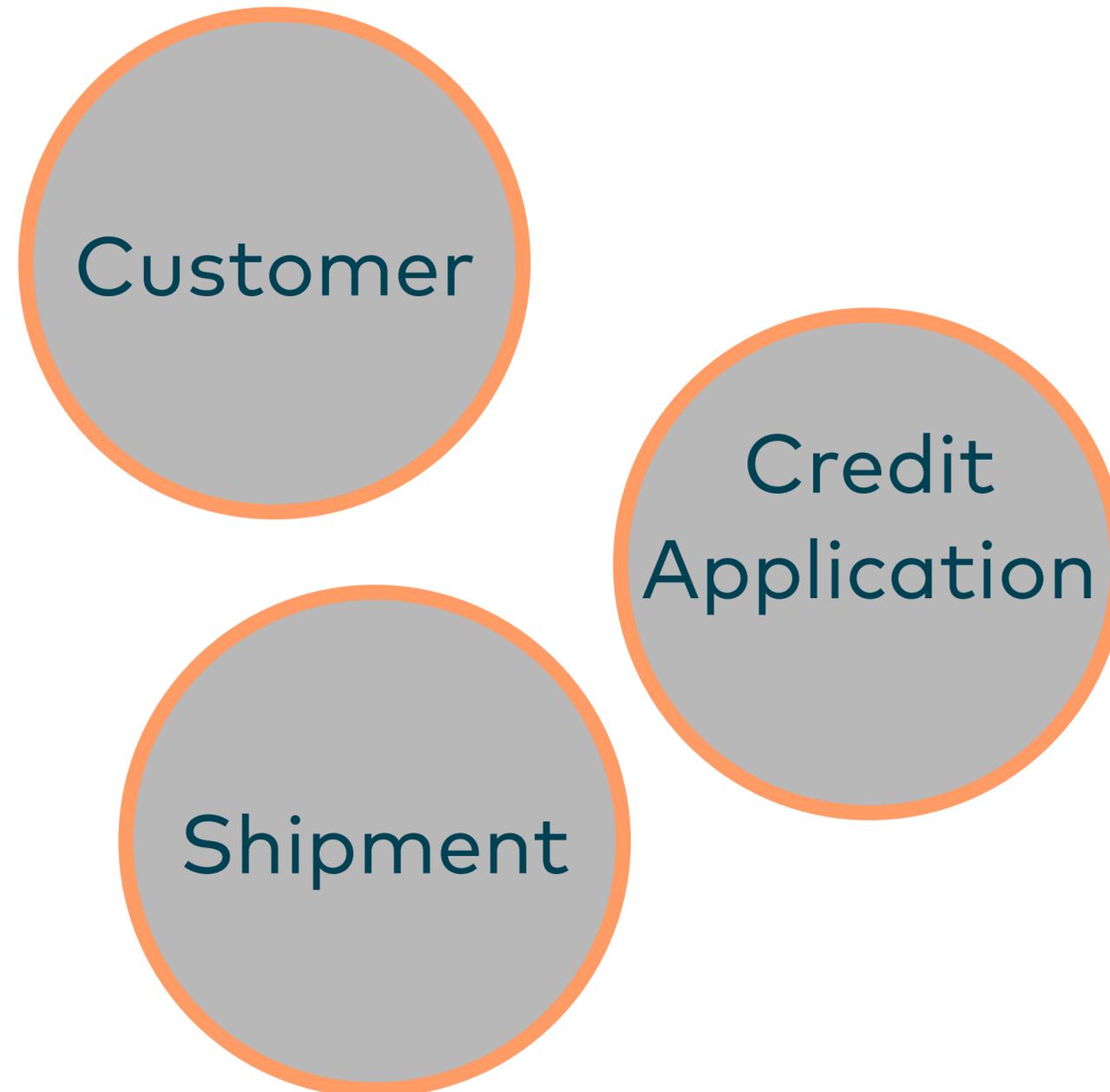
We are now talking about more fine grained modules

TACTICAL DESIGN

helps us with regards to
evolvability of
microservices



Entities

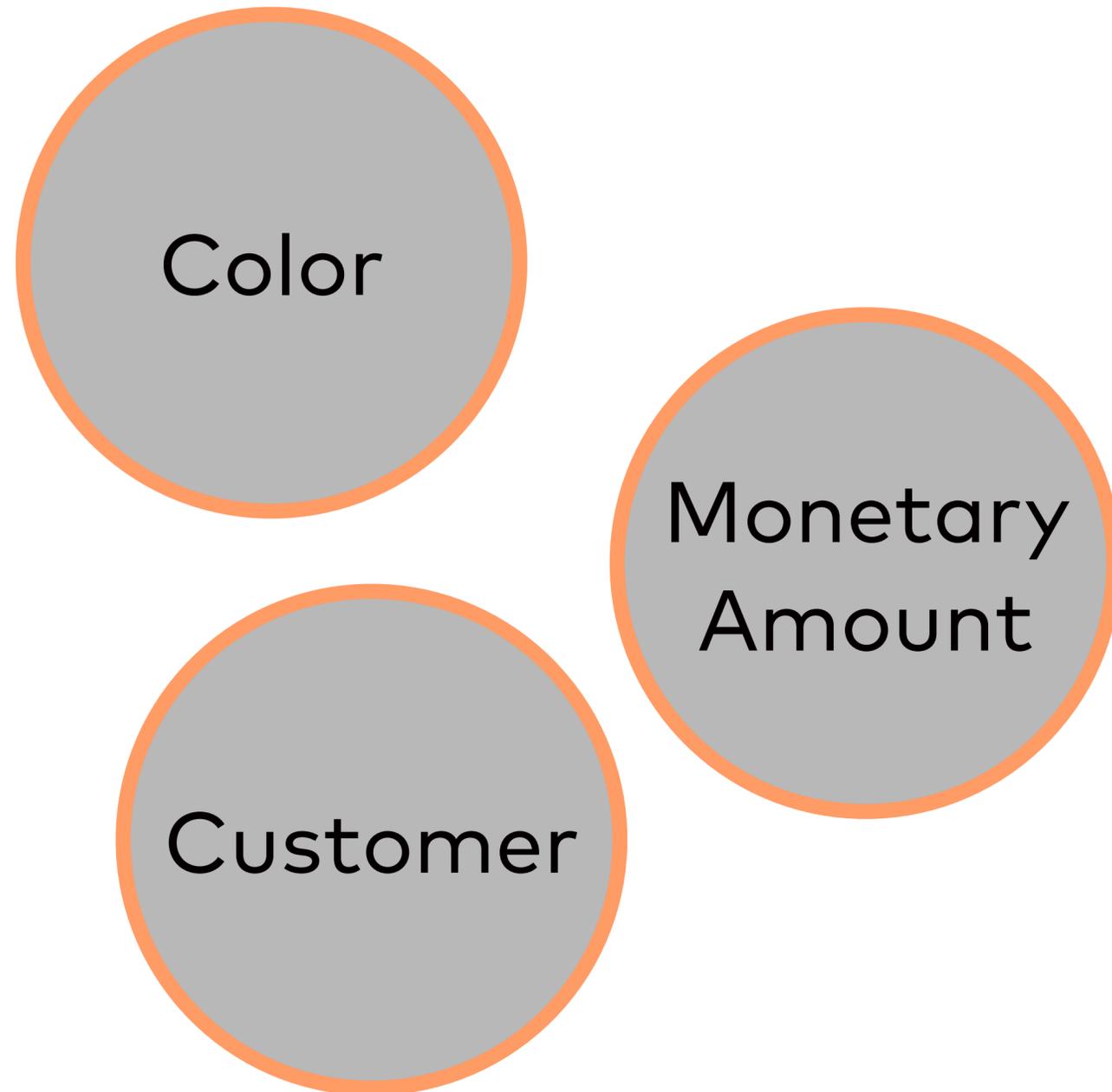


Entities represent the core business objects of a bounded context's model

Each **Entity** has a constant identity

Each **Entity** has its own lifecycle

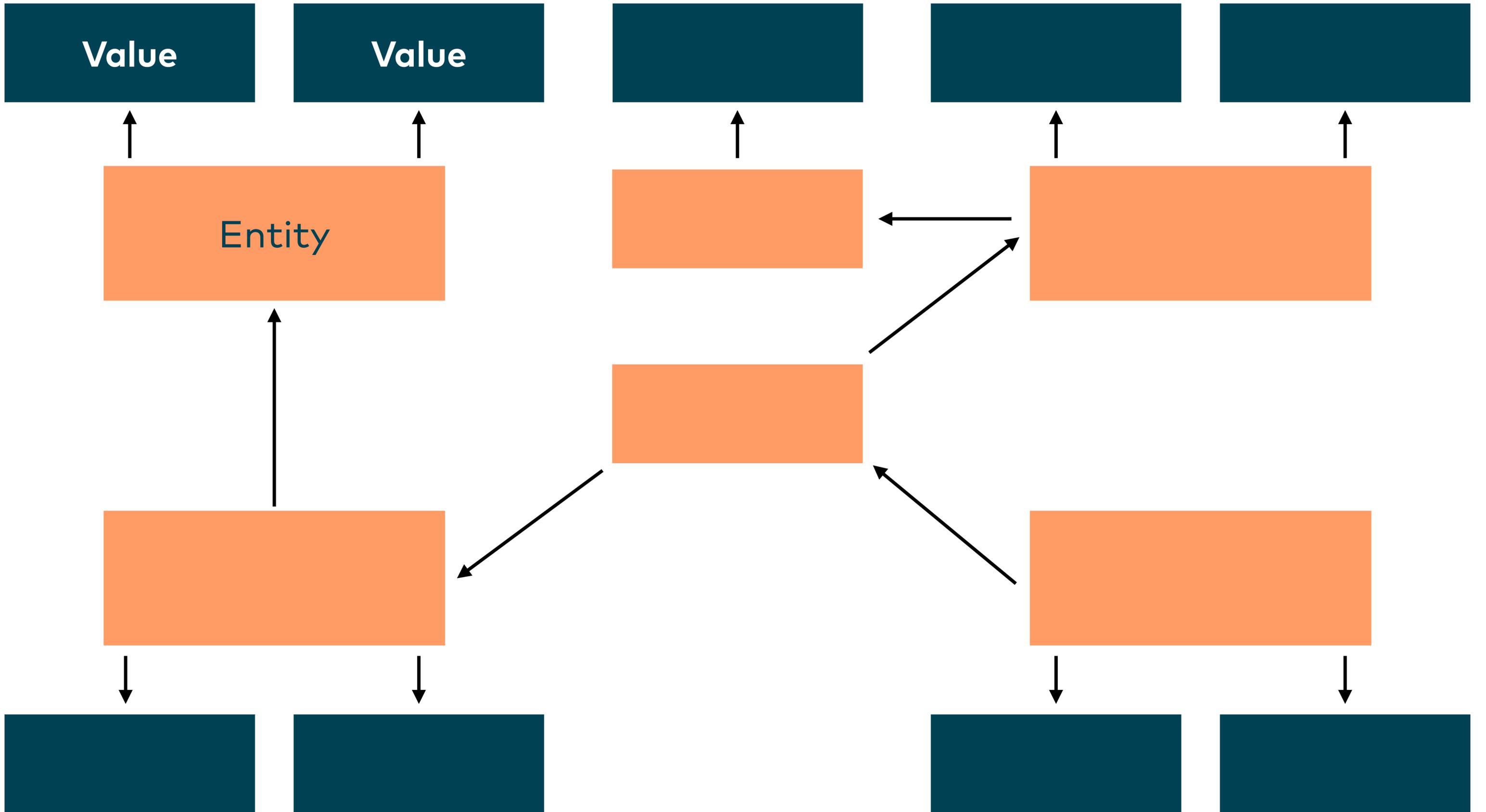
Value Objects



Value Objects derive their identity from their values

Value Objects do not have their own lifecycle, they inherit it from Entities that are referencing them

You should always consider value objects for your domain model

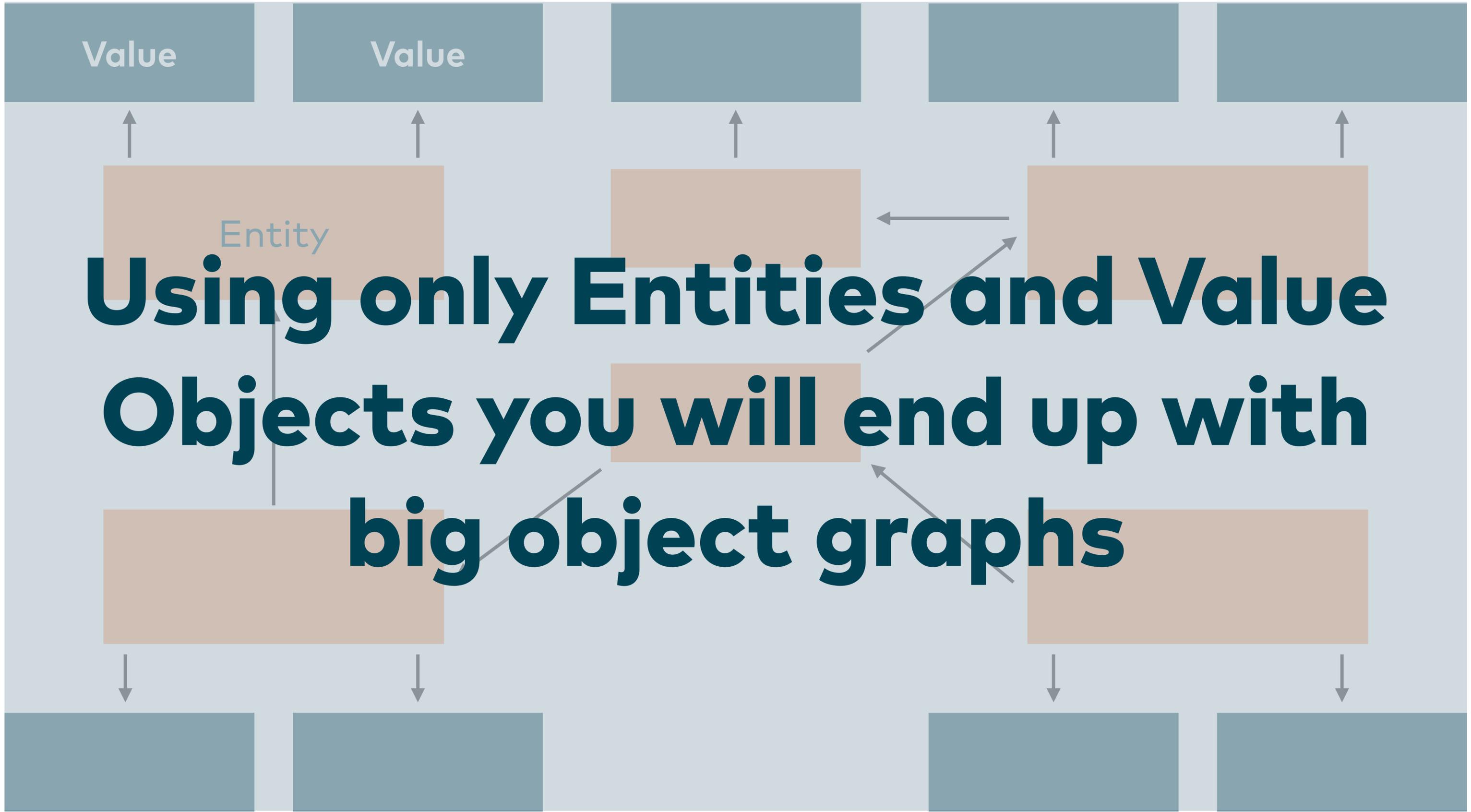


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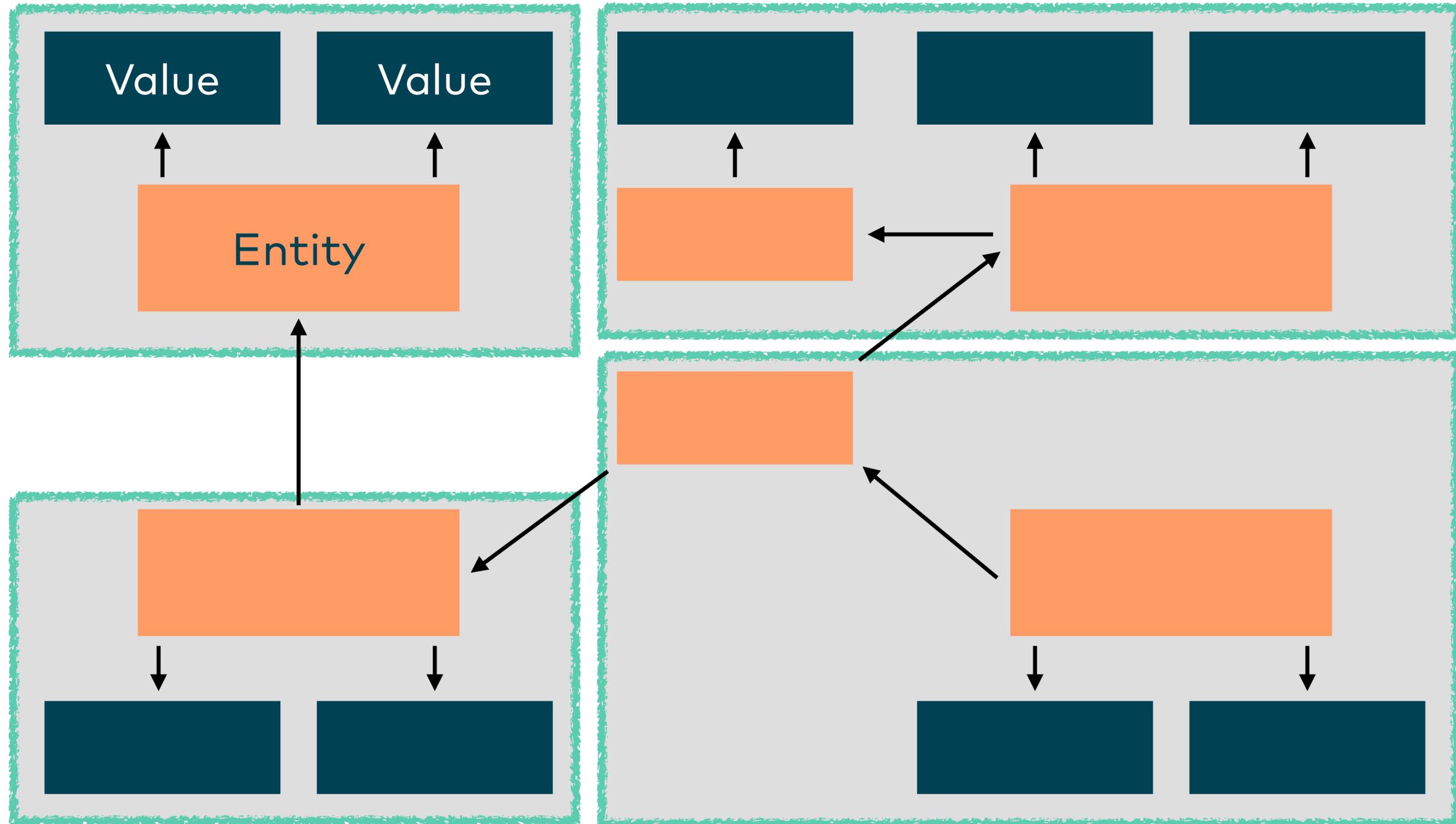
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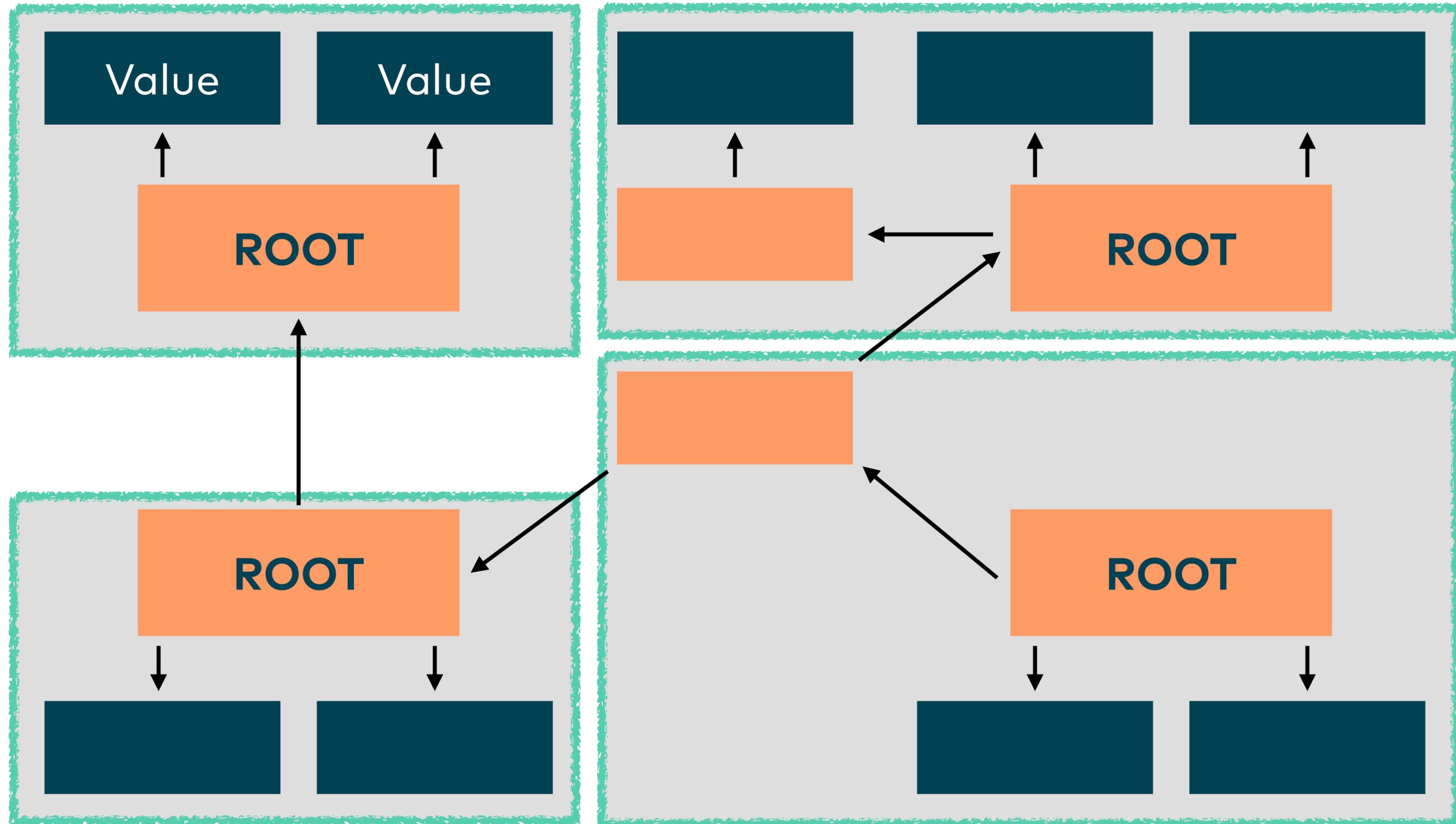
**Using only Entities and Value
Objects you will end up with
big object graphs**



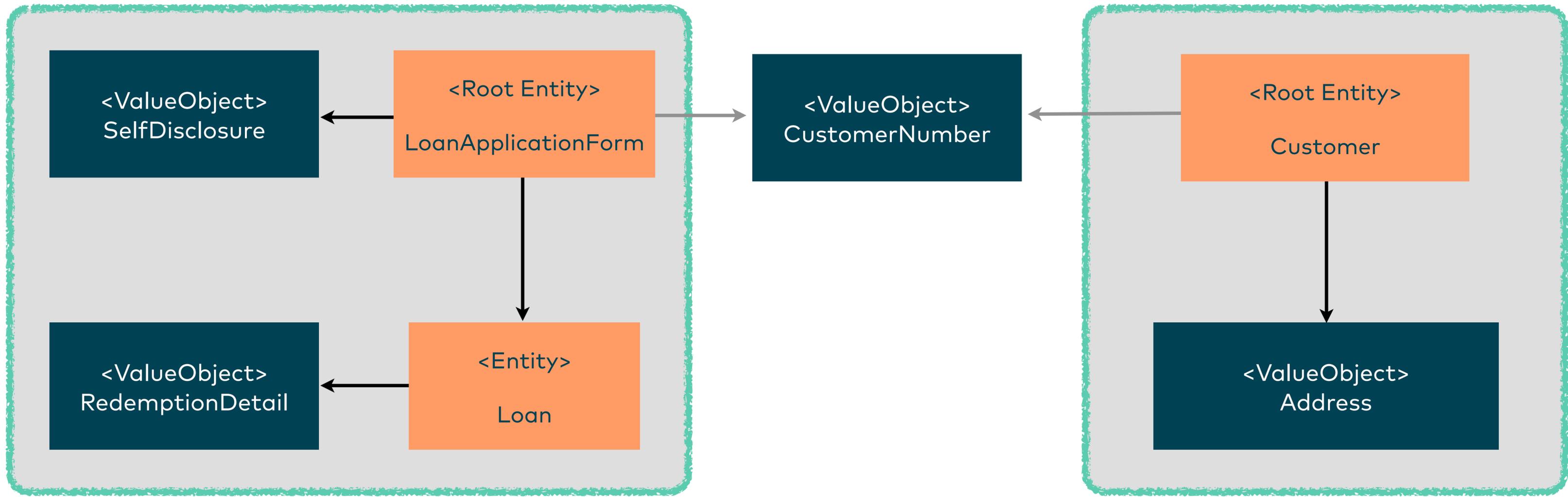
Aggregates group Entities and Value Objects



Each Aggregate has a Root Entity, aka Aggregate Root



Consider using Value Objects as indirect references between Aggregates



Aggregate

Domain Concepts

Aggregates represent higher level business concepts.

Invariants

Aggregates allow us to implement and enforce rules and invariants (a financial situation must have in- and outgoings)

Behavior

Try moving behavior to Value Objects in the Aggregates. The Entities should deal with lifecycle and identity.

Hints

Small

Prefer small aggregates that usually only contain an Entity and some Value Objects.

Reference by Identity

Do not implement direct references to other Root Entities. Prefer referencing to Identity Value Objects

One TX per Aggregate

Aggregates should be updated in separate transactions which leads to eventual consistency

Consistency Boundaries

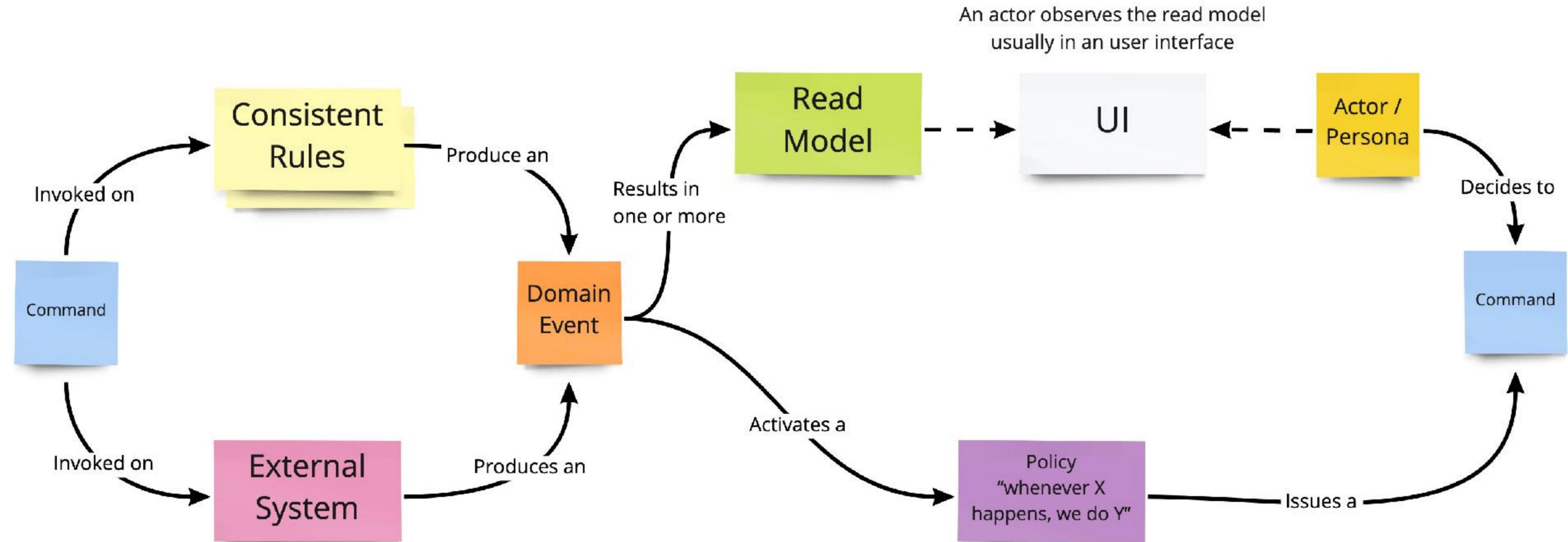
Take a look which parts of your model must be updated in an atomically consistent manner

Design Level EventStorming

helps you to

identify and design aggregates

Design Level EventStorming



Starting point

Application Submitted

Credit Agency

Credit Term Result Recieved

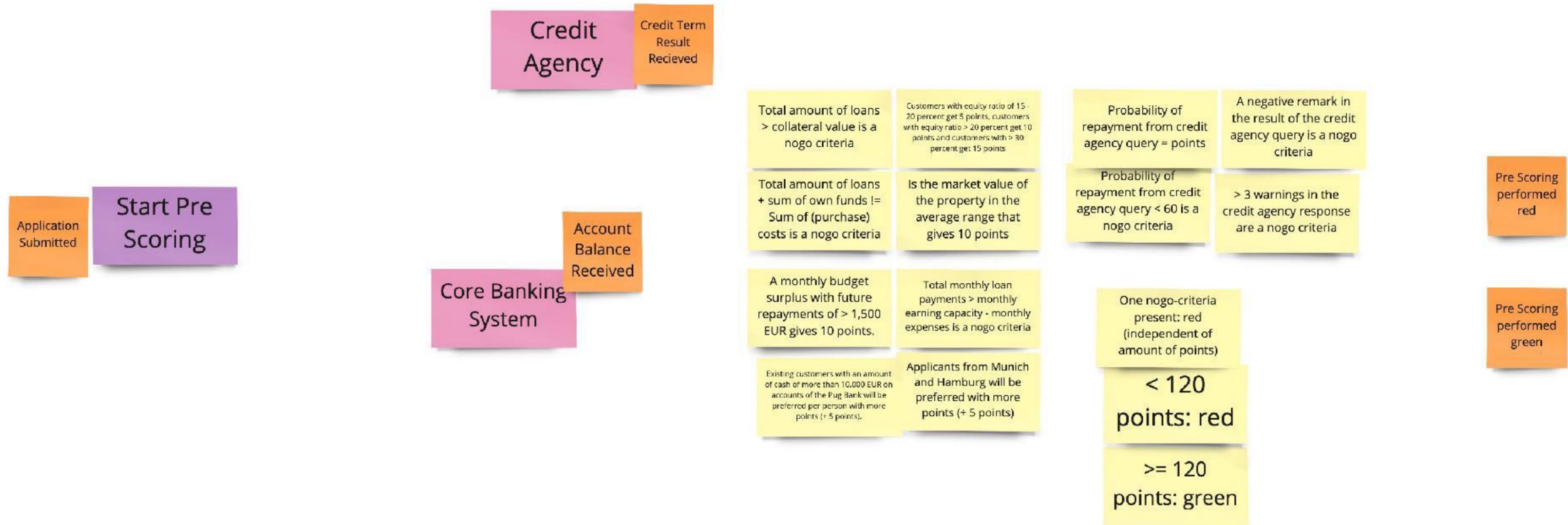
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Core Banking System

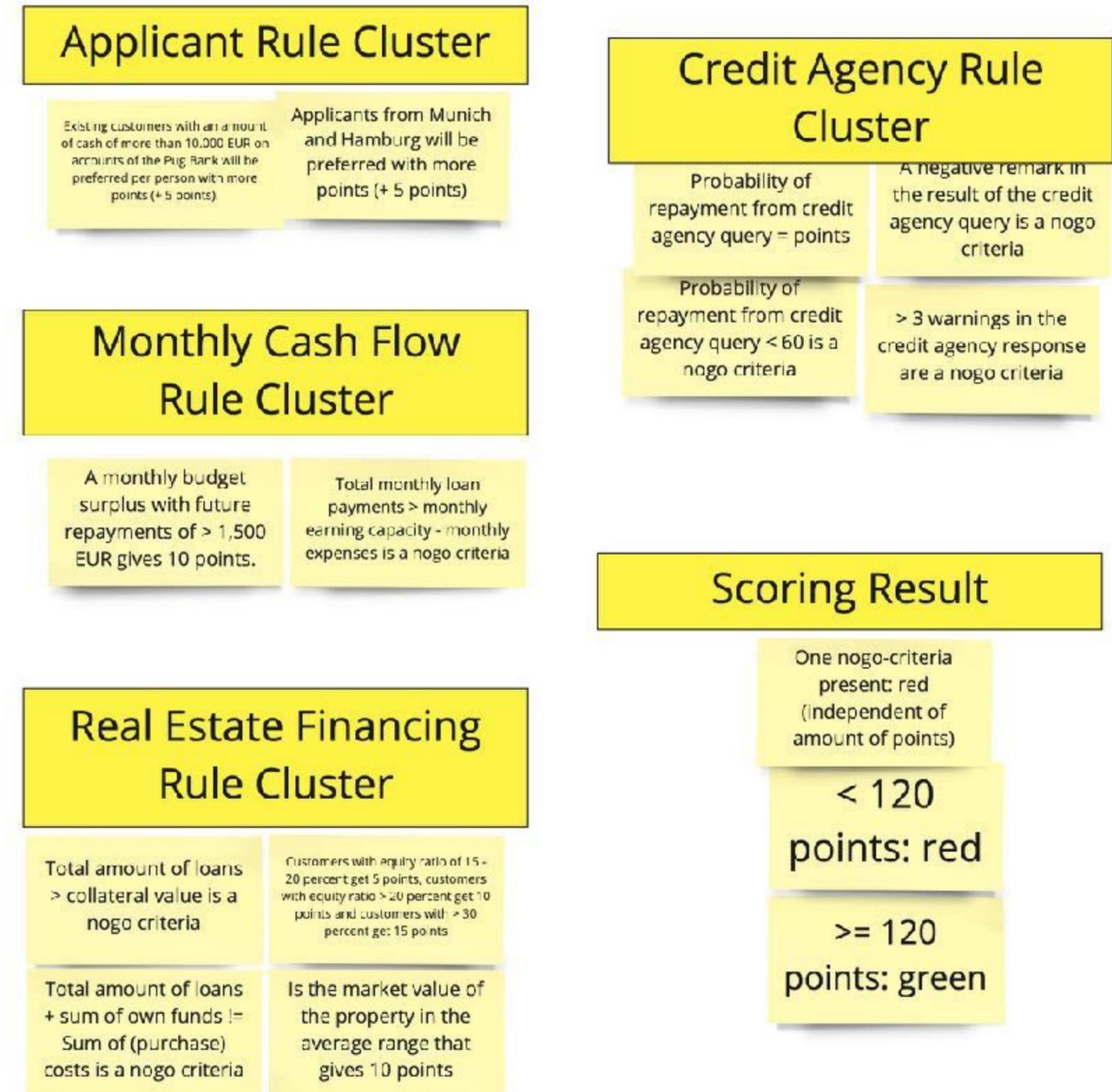
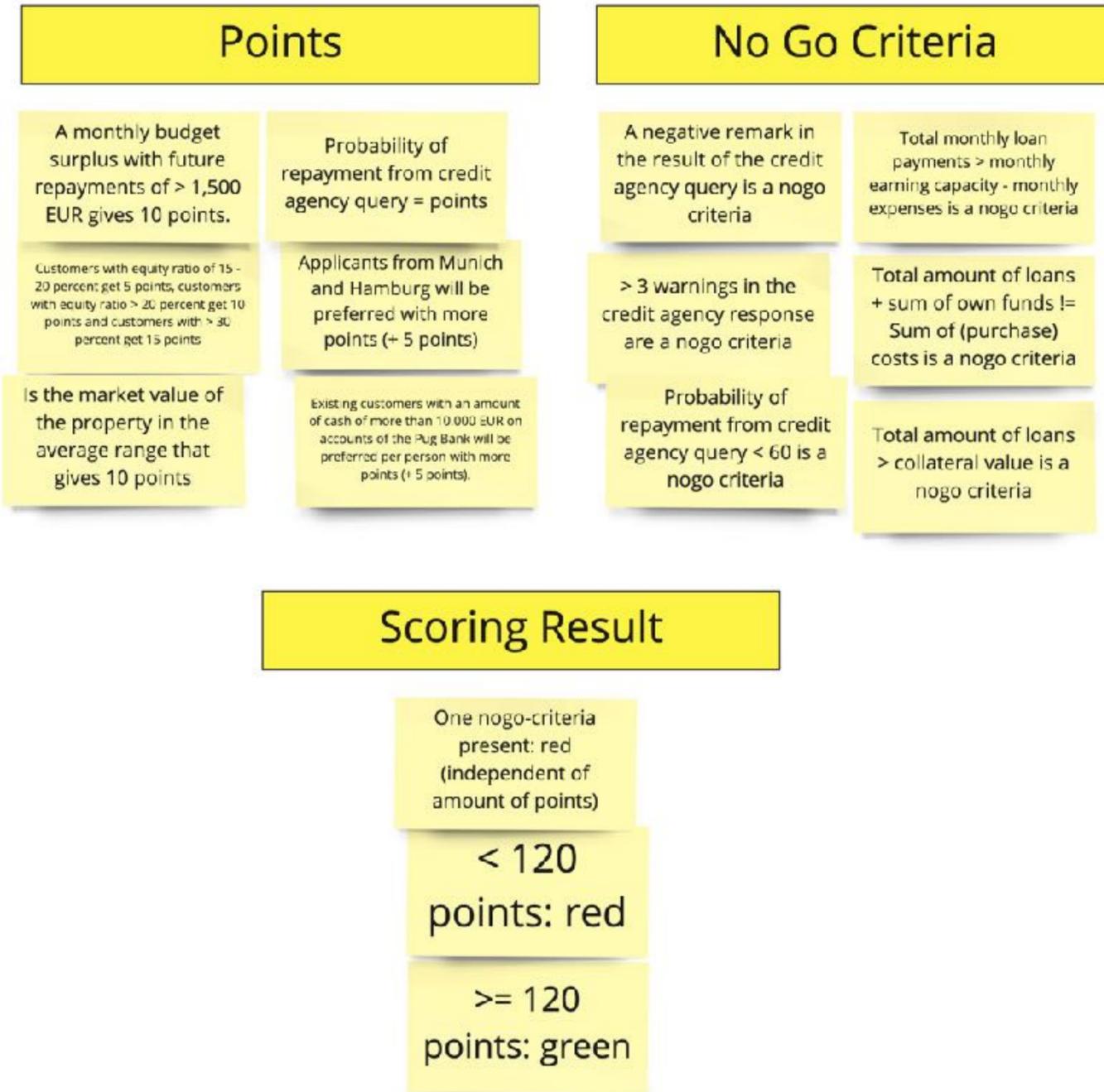
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Chaotic Exploration on business rules



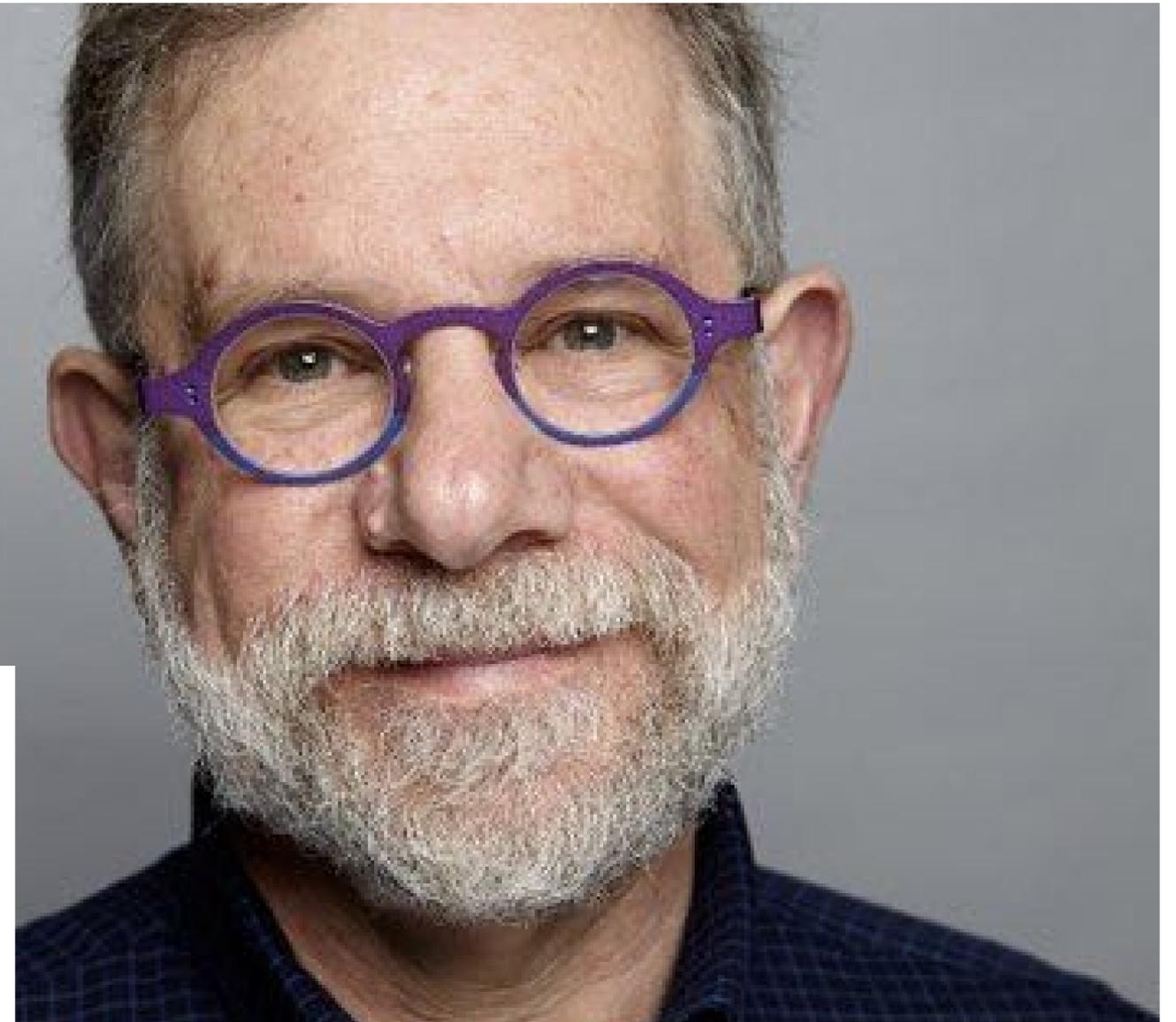
Which grouping of the rules is the right one?



„the key to incremental architecture is to build on a framework that can accommodate change... that framework is the domain... By modeling the domain, you can more easily handle changes to the domain“

Allen Holub

<https://holub.com>



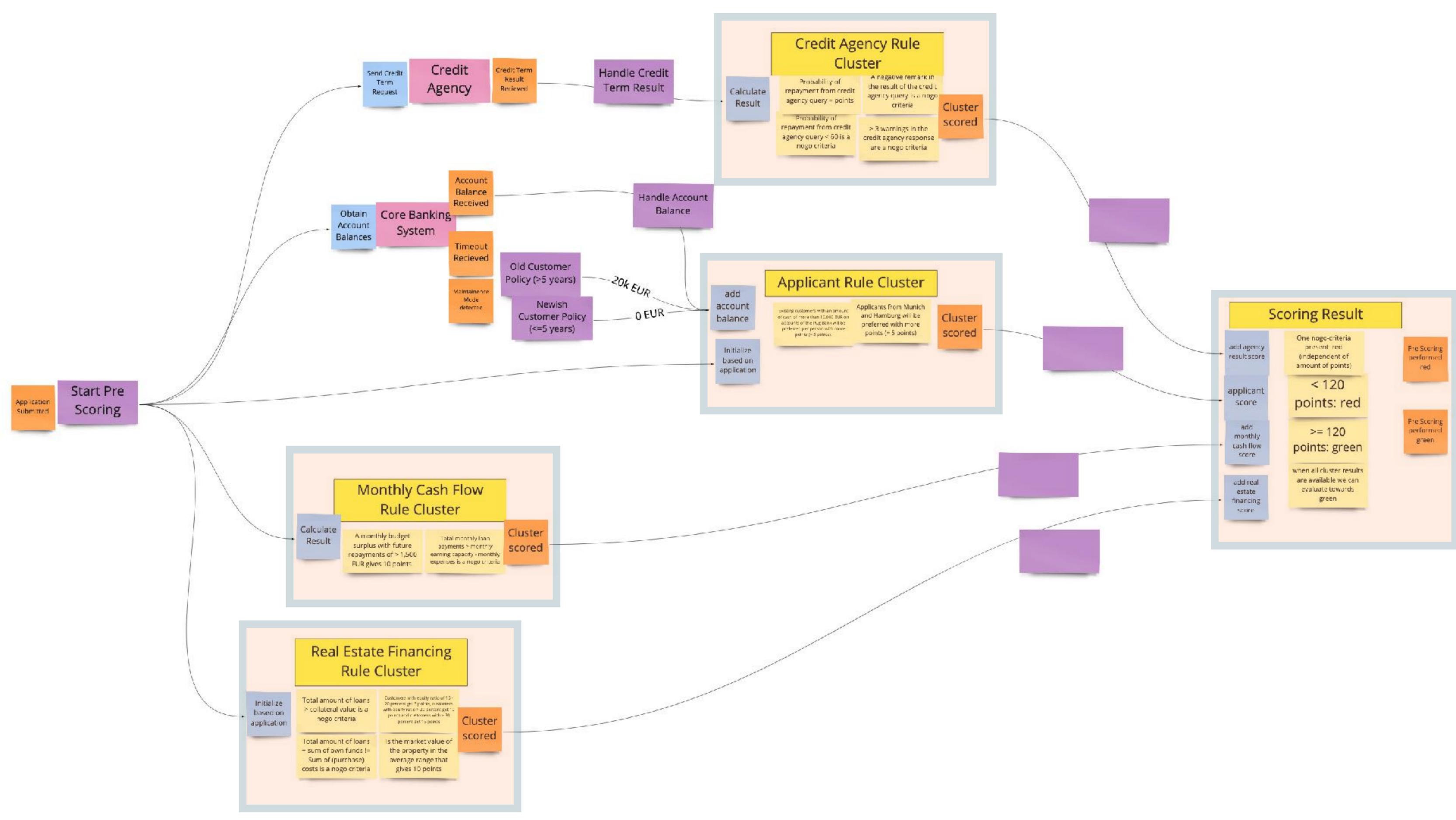
These groups are great candidates for aggregates!



Mind the difference between this approach and the classic object oriented analysis and design (OOAD)

OOAD usually starts with nouns as class candidates, then goes to attributes and then verbs (methods)

DDD starts with behavior (verbs) and looks then on structures



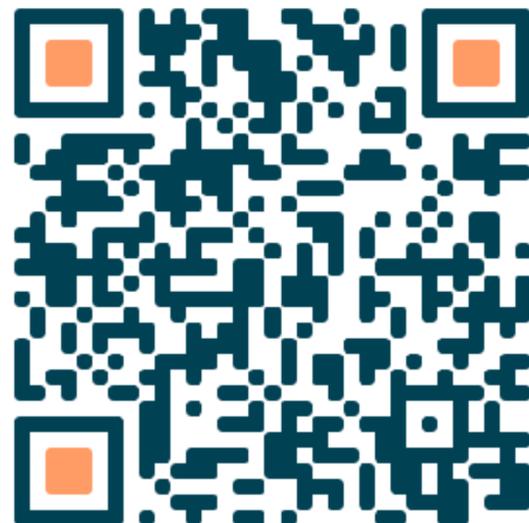
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