Evolution of a Software System Architecture - Explained in a Model Situation

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Short description:
The most important decision in the early stage of software development is the design of system architecture. In this talk, we set up a model situation and present such a decision. Then, evolution of the software is simulated. Since in parallel to the evolution of the system and its environment there is also a kind of evolution in the understanding of the underlying domain and problems by the software team, it is obvious that the initial architectural design becomes also a subject of evolution. Kinds and ways of this evolution are the main focus point of this talk. In our model situation, we evolve the system architecture of a web application from a client-server architecture with full single-technology stack to a microfrontends' architecture with distributed heterogenous technology stack. We simulate the evolutionary growth from custom application to software product line. We consider several architectural patterns and (one-way) transformations between them. We discuss the underlying topics to emphasize the importance of a proper architectural envisioning for software projects.

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