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Flutter Practice Notes

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Introduction

This module covers building **enterprise-grade Flutter apps** — large, long-lived, multi-team products with serious non-functional requirements: the **fundamentals** (what makes a project "enterprise," its constraints), **large-scale architecture & structure** (modular monorepo, multi-team organization, layered/feature-first at scale), **cross-cutting enterprise concerns** (auth/**RBAC**, audit logging, **i18n/l10n**, theming/**white-label**, config/**feature flags**, environment management), and **integration patterns + case studies** (backends/**SSO**, legacy systems, third-party services, real-world architectures) — capped by a capstone. It synthesizes the architecture band (Module 40–Module 48) and engineering practices (49–52) into what enterprise scale demands.

Why this module exists

Enterprise apps differ from consumer apps in **kind, not just size**: many teams, years-long lifespans, strict **security/compliance/audit**, **role-based access**, **multi-tenant/white-label** needs, **internationalization**, complex **integrations** (SSO, legacy, many backends), and rigorous **governance**. The same patterns that work for a solo app must be composed and scaled with cross-cutting concerns baked in. This module shows how the handbook's architecture + practices combine to meet enterprise requirements — and the concerns (RBAC/audit/i18n/config/flags) that consumer tutorials skip.

Module map

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1	01_enterprise_fundamentals.md	What makes a project enterprise; constraints & requirements	🔴
2	02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md	Large-scale structure, multi-team/module organization	🔴
3	03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md	Auth/RBAC, audit, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config/feature flags	🔴
4	04_integration_and_case_studies.md	Backends/SSO, legacy, third-party integration; case studies	🔴
5	05_enterprise_integration.md	Capstone: an enterprise app architecture	🔴

> **Cross-references:** Architecture band: 40/44/45/46/47. System design: Module 48. Auth/security: Module 17/Module 37. CI/CD + deployment + monitoring: 50/51/52. Testing: Module 49. Adaptive UI/theming: Module 25.

Prerequisites

The architecture band (40–47), 48 System Design, 17 Authentication, 37 Security, 49–52.

What you'll be able to do after this module

- Identify what makes a project "enterprise" and its non-functional constraints.
- Structure a large-scale, multi-team Flutter app (modular monorepo + feature-first + DDD where warranted).
- Implement cross-cutting concerns: auth/RBAC, audit, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config/feature flags, environments.
- Design integrations (SSO, legacy, multiple backends, third-party) with proper boundaries.
- Compose a coherent enterprise architecture with a documented case-study rationale.

Capstone

Enterprise architecture: A documented architecture for a hypothetical enterprise app (e.g., a multi-tenant B2B tool) — modular monorepo + feature-first + DDD in the core; cross-cutting concerns (SSO auth + RBAC, audit logging, i18n/l10n, white-label theming, feature flags + environment config); integration patterns (SSO, multiple backends via an anti-corruption layer, a legacy system); and the supporting practices (CI/CD, testing, monitoring, governance) — with trade-offs and team-topology mapping.

Summary

Enterprise Flutter = the handbook's architecture + practices, composed and scaled for many teams, long life, and strict non-functional requirements, with cross-cutting concerns (RBAC/audit/i18n/theming/config/flags) and complex integrations (SSO/legacy/multi-backend) baked in — governed, tested, monitored, and organized to team topology.

Enterprise Fundamentals

> An "enterprise" project differs from a consumer app in **kind, not just size**: it's **long-lived** (years, many versions), built by **multiple teams**, has **high stakes** (revenue/compliance/reputation), and carries strict **non-functional requirements** — **security & compliance** (audit, data residency, regulations), **reliability/availability**, **access control (RBAC)**, **internationalization**, **multi-tenancy/white-label**, **integration** with many systems (SSO, legacy, multiple backends), and **governance** (standards, reviews, approvals). The engineering consequence: you **can't optimize for shipping fast alone** — you optimize for **maintainability, testability, security, and evolvability over years and teams**, baking cross-cutting concerns in from the start.

Introduction

This file defines what makes a project "enterprise," its constraints/NFRs, and how those constraints reshape engineering priorities — the frame for the structure, cross-cutting-concerns, and integration files.

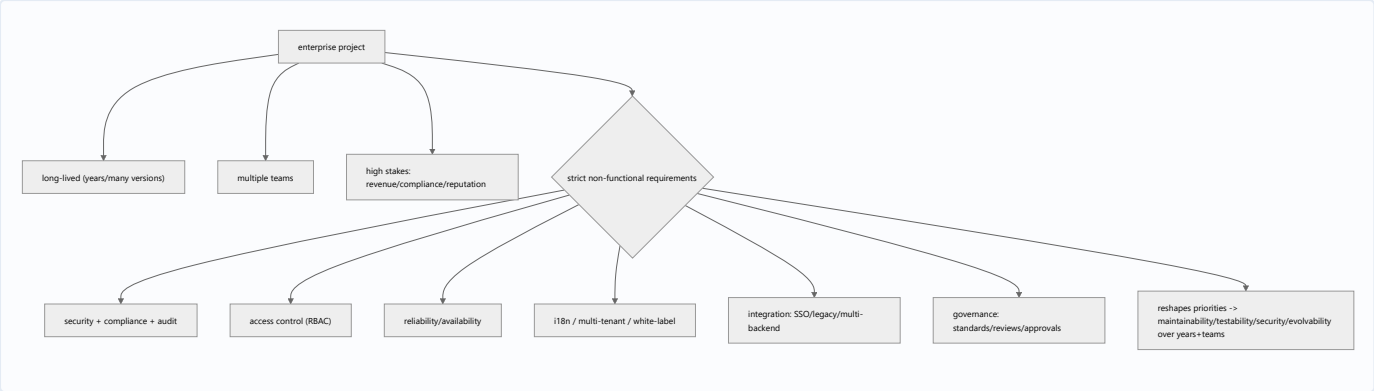
Why this concept exists

Teams often apply consumer-app instincts (ship fast, minimal structure, skip cross-cutting concerns) to enterprise contexts and fail: no audit trail for a compliance review, no RBAC when roles matter, no i18n when going global, a tangled monolith many teams can't work in. Naming the enterprise constraints up front lets you architect for **the requirements that actually dominate** (security/compliance/scale/longevity/multi-team) rather than discovering them late + expensively.

Real-world analogy

A consumer app is a **food truck** — nimble, one operator, iterate fast. An enterprise app is an **airport** — many operators (teams), decades of operation, strict safety/security/regulatory rules (compliance/audit), access zones (RBAC), signage in many languages (i18n), and dozens of integrated systems (baggage/ATC/customs = SSO/legacy/backends). You don't run an airport like a food truck; the **constraints define the engineering**.

Internal Working



- **What makes it "enterprise"** (the defining traits):
  - **Longevity**: lives for **years**, many releases, evolving requirements → **maintainability + evolvability** dominate; today's shortcut is tomorrow's tech-debt tax (Module 47).
  - **Multiple teams**: many contributors/teams → **clear boundaries, ownership, governance** (modular monorepo, CODEOWNERS — Module 45/02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md).
  - **High stakes**: money, legal, reputation on the line → **reliability, security, quality gates** are non-negotiable.
  - **Complexity**: rich domains (Module 46), many integrations, many user roles/tenants.
- **The dominating non-functional requirements (NFRs)**:
  - **Security & compliance**: regulations (GDPR/HIPAA/SOC 2/PCI), **audit logging** (who did what when), data residency, encryption, privacy (Module 37). Compliance is often a **hard requirement**, not a nice-to-have.
  - **Access control (RBAC/ABAC)**: users have **roles/permissions**; features/data gated by role — enforced **client (UX) + server (authoritative)** (03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md).
  - **Reliability/availability**: uptime, graceful degradation, monitoring/alerting/SLOs (Module 52).
  - **Internationalization/localization (i18n/l10n)**: many languages/locales/currencies/formats; often **RTL**; a global user base.
  - **Multi-tenancy / white-label**: one codebase serving many organizations/brands (theming, config, data isolation).
  - **Integration**: **SSO** (SAML/OIDC), **legacy systems**, **multiple backends/microservices**, third-party services — via clean boundaries/anti-corruption layers (04_integration_and_case_studies.md).
  - **Configurability**: **environment management** (dev/staging/prod + per-tenant), **feature flags**, remote config — change behavior without redeploying.

    - **Governance**: coding standards, architecture reviews, security reviews, change-approval processes, ADRs.
- **How constraints reshape engineering priorities** (the core insight): you **don't optimize for raw shipping speed** — you optimize for:
    - **Maintainability + evolvability** (clean architecture, feature-first/modular, DDD in the core — Module 40/Module 44/Module 46) — the code will live + change for years.
    - **Testability** (the pyramid, CI-gated — Module 49) — regression safety across teams/years.
    - **Security + compliance + audit** baked in from the start (retrofitting is expensive/risky).
    - **Team scalability** (boundaries/ownership/governance — Module 45/Module 47).
    - **Observability + operability** (monitoring/logging/alerting — Module 52).
    - Cross-cutting concerns (auth/RBAC/i18n/theming/config/flags) are **architected in early**, not bolted on.
- **Not every "big" app is enterprise, and vice versa**: enterprise is about the **constraints** (longevity/teams/stakes/NFRs), not just user count. **Right-size** — apply enterprise rigor where these constraints truly apply; don't over-engineer a simple internal tool.
- **The mindset shift**: from "ship features fast" (consumer/startup) to "**build a durable, secure, compliant, evolvable system across teams and years**" — while still delivering value. This module shows how the handbook's pieces compose to that end.

Memory Representation

Not code — a **requirements + constraints model**: the enterprise traits (longevity/teams/stakes) × the NFRs (security/compliance/RBAC/reliability/i18n/multi-tenant/integration/config/governance) → an architecture + practices prioritized for maintainability/testability/security/evolvability. It's a living NFR/architecture doc.

Compiler / Runtime / Engine / VM Behavior

Not applicable — enterprise is an organizational/requirements concern; the technical substance (architecture, security, i18n, config) is realized in later files + across the handbook.

Examples

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Consumer app vs Enterprise app (priorities):
  Consumer/startup: ship features fast, minimal structure, few NFRs, one team, short horizon
  Enterprise: maintainability/evolvability over YEARS + MANY TEAMS + strict NFRs
    -> security/compliance/audit | RBAC | reliability/SLOs | i18n/l10n | multi-tenant/white-label
       | SSO/legacy/multi-backend integration | config/feature flags/envs | governance


Enterprise NFR checklist (dominates the design):
  [ ] security + compliance (GDPR/HIPAA/SOC2/PCI) + audit logging
  [ ] RBAC/ABAC (client UX + server authoritative)
  [ ] reliability/availability + monitoring/SLOs
  [ ] i18n/l10n (locales/currencies/RTL)
  [ ] multi-tenancy / white-label (theming/config/data isolation)
  [ ] integration (SSO, legacy, multiple backends, third-party)
  [ ] environment + feature-flag + remote config management
  [ ] governance (standards/ADRs/reviews/approvals) + team ownership
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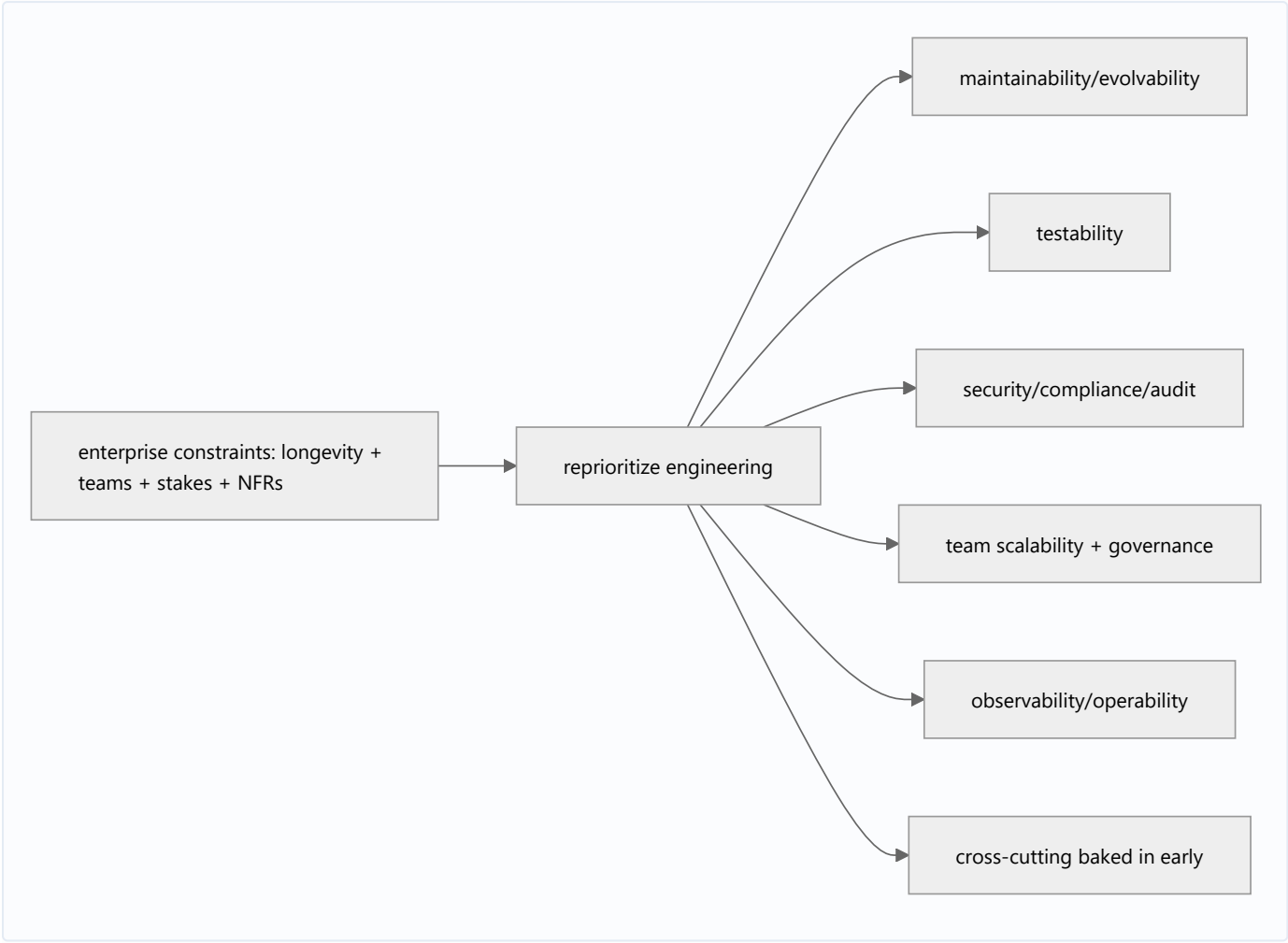
Diagrams



Common Mistakes

Mistake	Why it's a problem	Fix
Consumer-app instincts (ship fast, no structure)	Collapses under teams/years/NFRs	Optimize for maintainability/testability/security/evolvability
Skipping cross-cutting concerns	Retrofitting RBAC/audit/i18n is expensive	Architect them in early
Ignoring compliance/audit	Legal/regulatory failure	Treat as hard requirements (audit/GDPR/etc.)
Client-only access control	Bypassable	RBAC enforced server-side (client = UX)
No governance/ownership	Chaos across teams	Standards + ownership + reviews (Module 45/47)
Monolith many teams share	Collisions/coupling	Modular boundaries (Module 45)
Over-engineering a simple tool	Wasted effort	Right-size — enterprise rigor where constraints apply
No i18n/multi-tenant planning	Painful global/white-label retrofit	Plan i18n/tenancy up front if needed

Best Practices

- Recognize the **enterprise traits** (longevity, multiple teams, high stakes) and their **dominating NFRs** (security/compliance/audit, RBAC, reliability, i18n, multi-tenant/white-label, integration, config, governance) — and let them **drive the architecture**.
- **Reprioritize** toward **maintainability, testability, security/compliance, team scalability, and observability** over raw shipping speed — because the system lives + changes for years across teams.
- **Bake in cross-cutting concerns early** (auth/RBAC/audit/i18n/theming/config/flags) — retrofitting is expensive; enforce **security/RBAC server-side** (client = UX).
- Establish **governance + ownership** (standards, ADRs, reviews, modular boundaries); **right-size** enterprise rigor to where the constraints genuinely apply.

Performance

Not runtime — the "performance" is **organizational + long-term**: an enterprise-appropriate architecture sustains many teams' velocity + system evolution over years (vs a consumer approach that collapses). Poorly-chosen priorities (speed over maintainability/security) cost exponentially more later (rewrites, breaches, compliance failures).

Advantages / Disadvantages

- **+** (Enterprise rigor where warranted) durable, secure, compliant, evolvable systems supporting many teams over years; NFRs met; risk managed.
- **−** More upfront investment (structure/governance/cross-cutting concerns); slower initial shipping; over-engineering risk if applied where constraints don't hold.

Interview Questions

1. 🟢 **What makes a project "enterprise"?** — Longevity (years/many versions), multiple teams, high stakes (revenue/compliance/reputation), and strict non-functional requirements — a difference in kind, not just size.
2. 🟢 **What NFRs dominate enterprise apps?** — Security & compliance (audit/GDPR/etc.), RBAC, reliability/availability, i18n/l10n, multi-tenancy/white-label, integration (SSO/legacy/multi-backend), config/feature flags, and governance.
3. 🟡 **How do enterprise constraints reshape engineering priorities?** — Away from raw shipping speed toward maintainability/evolvability, testability, security/compliance, team scalability, and observability — because the system lives + changes for years across teams.
4. 🟡 **Why bake cross-cutting concerns in early?** — Retrofitting RBAC/audit/i18n/theming into a mature codebase is expensive + risky; architecting them early is far cheaper.

5. 🟡 **Why enforce RBAC/security server-side?** — The client is untrusted; client-side gates are UX only — authorization must be server-authoritative (Module 37).
6. 🔴 **Is every large app enterprise?** — No — enterprise is about the constraints (longevity/teams/stakes/NFRs), not user count; right-size rigor to where those constraints apply.
7. 🔴 **What's the enterprise mindset shift?** — From "ship features fast" to "build a durable, secure, compliant, evolvable system across teams and years" while still delivering value.

Senior Engineer Tips

- Identify the dominating NFRs (compliance/audit/RBAC/i18n/multi-tenant/integration) at project start and let them drive the architecture; the expensive enterprise failures come from discovering these late and retrofitting.
- Enforce security/RBAC/compliance server-side and treat audit as a first-class feature; "we'll add the audit trail later" is a common, costly regret when a compliance review arrives.
- Right-size the rigor: apply full enterprise structure/governance where longevity/teams/stakes justify it, and don't burden a genuinely small internal tool with airport-grade process.

Architect Perspective

Enterprise fundamentals reframe the whole handbook's toolkit through the lens of dominating constraints — longevity, many teams, high stakes, and strict NFRs (security/compliance/RBAC/reliability/i18n/multi-tenant/integration/governance). These shift the optimization target from shipping speed to **maintainability, testability, security, and evolvability over years and teams**, with cross-cutting concerns architected in early. The architect's job is to recognize which constraints truly apply and compose the handbook's architecture + practices accordingly — the subject of the rest of this module (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md, 03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md, Module 47).

Summary

- Enterprise = longevity + multiple teams + high stakes + strict NFRs (security/compliance/audit, RBAC, reliability, i18n, multi-tenant/white-label, integration, config, governance) — a difference in kind.
- Constraints reprioritize engineering toward maintainability/testability/security/team-scalability/observability over raw speed; cross-cutting concerns are baked in early; RBAC/security enforced server-side.
- Right-size rigor to where the constraints apply; the handbook's architecture + practices compose to meet enterprise requirements.

Revision Notes

- Enterprise traits: long-lived (years/versions), multiple teams, high stakes (revenue/compliance/reputation), complex domains/integrations — kind, not size.
- Dominating NFRs: security+compliance+audit (GDPR/HIPAA/SOC2/PCI), RBAC/ABAC (server-authoritative + client UX), reliability/availability/SLOs, i18n/l10n (locales/currencies/RTL), multi-tenancy/white-label, integration (SSO/legacy/multi-backend/third-party), config/feature-flags/envs, governance (standards/ADRs/reviews/ownership).
- Reprioritize: maintainability/evolvability, testability, security/compliance, team scalability, observability > raw shipping speed. Bake cross-cutting concerns in early; right-size (constraints, not user count); mindset = durable/secure/compliant/evolvable across teams+years.

Practice Questions

1. What distinguishes enterprise from consumer projects?
2. Which NFRs dominate, and how do they change priorities?
3. Why bake cross-cutting concerns in early + enforce RBAC server-side?

Coding Questions

1. Write an enterprise NFR checklist for a given B2B app.
2. Map each NFR to the handbook module that addresses it.
3. Decide whether a given project warrants enterprise rigor (justify).

Mini Project

Enterprise requirements analysis (prep/design): For a hypothetical enterprise app (e.g., a multi-tenant B2B tool), produce an NFR analysis: the enterprise traits present (longevity/teams/stakes), the dominating NFRs (security/compliance/audit, RBAC, reliability, i18n, multi-tenant/white-label, integration, config, governance), how they reshape engineering priorities (vs a consumer approach), and a mapping of each NFR to the handbook modules that address it — plus a right-sizing judgment. Acceptance: enterprise traits + dominating NFRs identified; priorities reprioritized (maintainability/testability/security/team-scale/observability); cross-cutting concerns flagged for early architecture; RBAC/security server-side; NFR→module mapping; right-sizing justified.

Enterprise Architecture & Structure

> Enterprise scale demands the handbook's architecture **composed at full strength**: a **modular monorepo** (feature + shared packages with **compiler-enforced boundaries** — Module 45), organized **feature-first** (Module 44) with **Clean Architecture** inside each slice (Module 40) and **DDD** in the complex core domain (Module 46), presented via **MVVM** (Module 43) — and, critically, **aligned to team topology** (Conway's Law: module boundaries ≈ team boundaries) with **governance** (standards/ownership/ADRs). The shared `core` / `platform` packages hold cross-cutting infrastructure (design system, auth, networking, config, i18n) every feature reuses. It's not new patterns — it's the **deliberate, full-strength composition** of the architecture band for many teams and years.

Introduction

This file shows how to structure a large, multi-team enterprise Flutter app: the modular monorepo + feature-first + Clean + DDD + MVVM composition, the shared platform/core packages, team-topology alignment, and governance. It composes the architecture band (40–47) at enterprise scale.

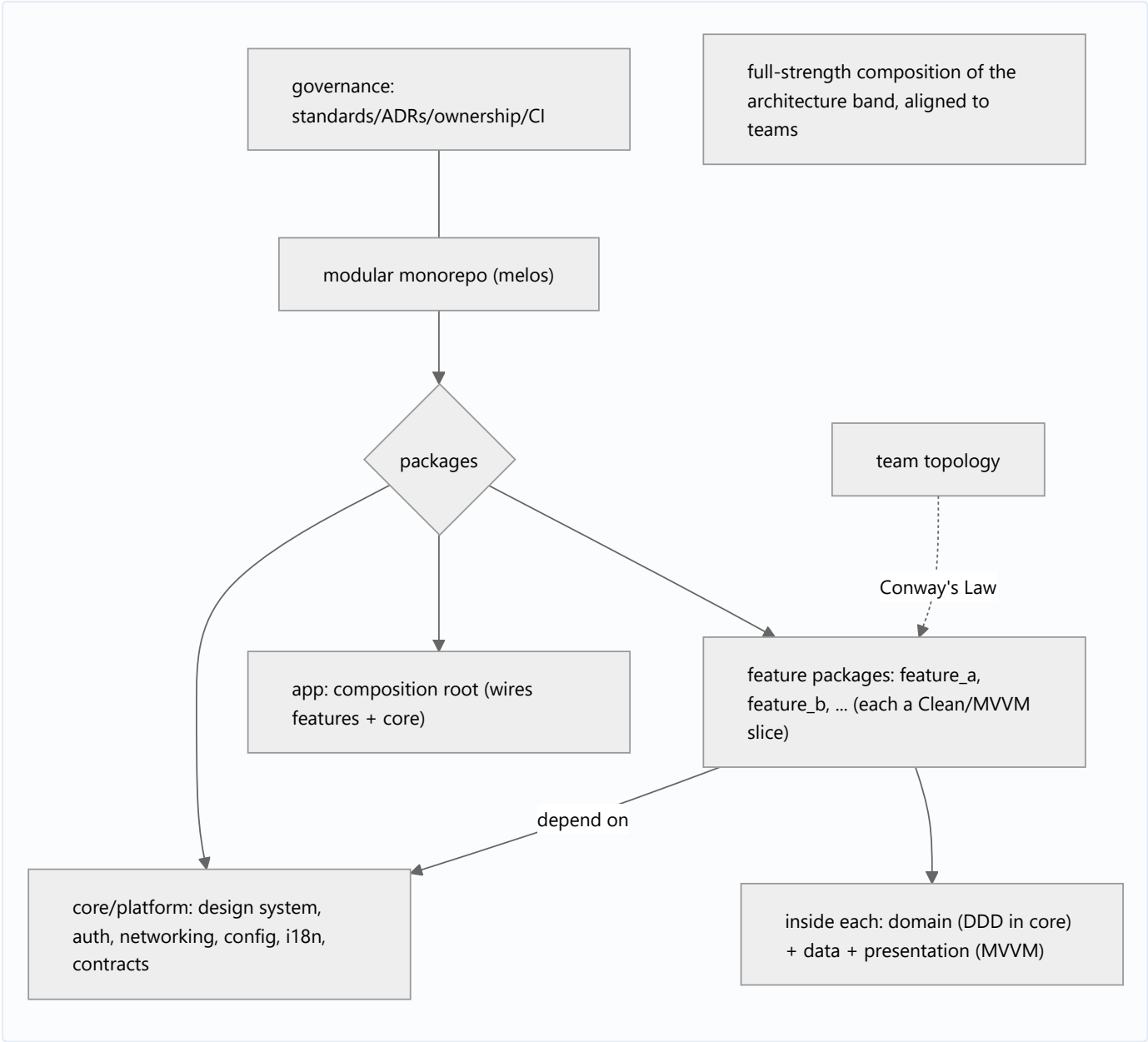
Why this concept exists

At enterprise scale, structure is what lets **many teams work in parallel on a coherent, evolvable codebase over years**. Without full-strength boundaries + organization, you get a tangled monolith (collisions, coupling, slow builds, no ownership). The architecture band's patterns exist precisely for this; enterprise is where you **compose all of them deliberately** and align them to how teams are organized.

Real-world analogy

It's a **planned industrial campus** vs a garage: separate **buildings owned by departments** (modules ↔ teams), a **shared utilities plant + standards office** (core/platform packages + governance), each building internally organized to the same blueprint (feature-first + Clean inside), with the **most valuable production line engineered rigorously** (DDD in the core domain). The campus layout mirrors the **org chart** (Conway's Law) so departments operate autonomously without colliding.

Internal Working



- **The composition (full-strength architecture band)**:
  - **Modular monorepo** (Module 45): the app + many **packages** (feature + shared) with **compiler/build-enforced boundaries**, managed by **melos** (incremental builds, per-package versioning/ownership). The default for large, multi-team apps.
  - **Feature-first** (Module 44): organized by **business capability** (feature packages), not technical layer — cohesion + team ownership.
  - **Clean Architecture inside each feature** (Module 40): domain/data/presentation with the dependency rule — testable, evolvable slices.
  - **DDD in the complex core** (Module 46): bounded contexts ≈ feature/module boundaries; rich domain (aggregates/value objects) **where complexity warrants**, simpler CRUD elsewhere.
  - **MVVM presentation** (Module 43): view models over use cases; consistent across features.

    - Interaction across features via **contracts + DI** (never cross-feature internals — Module 45).
- **Shared `core` / `platform` packages** (the cross-cutting backbone): design system/theming, **auth**, networking client + interceptors, **config/feature flags**, **i18n/l10n**, logging/monitoring facades, shared **contracts** + value objects. Features **depend on core** (never the reverse); core is stable/low-churn (Module 45). This is where enterprise cross-cutting concerns live (03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md).
- **Team topology alignment (Conway's Law)**: **module/package boundaries ≈ team boundaries** — each team **owns** feature package(s) (+ their API/tests/release), interacting via contracts. Deliberately designing modules to match teams enables **autonomy + parallel work** and avoids cross-team collisions (Module 47). Platform/core owned by a **platform team**.
- **Governance (essential at scale)** (Module 47): shared **standards** (architecture/naming/patterns) enforced by **lints + CI gates**, **CODEOWNERS**, **ADRs** (architecture decision records), architecture/security **reviews**, and a **template slice** as the canonical example. Governance keeps a many-team codebase coherent.
- **Layering vs feature-first (both, composed)**: layers (domain/data/presentation) exist **inside** features; **feature/module is the outer axis** — the app is a set of feature packages over a shared core, each internally Clean/MVVM.
- **Right-sizing (still applies)**: not every feature needs DDD (only the complex core); not every enterprise app needs full modularization on day one — **grow into** it from a clean feature-first base as team/build pressure appears (Module 44/Module 45). Enterprise ≠ maximal everywhere; it's **rigor where warranted, consistently governed**.
- **It's composition, not invention**: enterprise architecture reuses the handbook's patterns — the skill is **choosing + combining + governing** them at the scale the constraints demand.

Memory Representation

Not runtime — a **package graph + org mapping**: `app` → feature packages → `core` / `platform` (+ contracts), acyclic; features internally Clean/MVVM (DDD in the core); package boundaries mapped to owning teams; governance config (standards/ADRs/CODEOWNERS). A living architecture doc.

Compiler Behavior

Package boundaries are **compiler/build-enforced** (declared deps + exports only — Module 45); domain layers compile framework-free (testable); lints enforce standards; incremental builds (melos) scale CI.

Runtime Behavior

No runtime change from composition — the app runs as one binary; DI (composition root) wires features + core at startup; cross-feature calls resolve via contracts. Organization affects build/dev/team velocity + evolvability, not runtime.

Flutter Engine / Dart VM Behavior

Standard; modular packages enable incremental compilation (build-time win). Not internals-specific.

Examples

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Enterprise monorepo layout (composition of the architecture band):
  apps/app/                         # composition root (wires all features + core)
  packages/
    core/                           # design system, config/flags, i18n, logging/monitoring facades
    platform_auth/                  # auth + RBAC + SSO (shared)
    platform_network/               # networking client + interceptors + ACL to backends
    contracts/                      # cross-feature/cross-context interfaces + shared value objects
    feature_orders/                 # feature package: domain (DDD) + data + presentation (MVVM)
    feature_billing/                # ...
    feature_admin/                  # ...
  # features -> core/platform/contracts (acyclic); app -> everything (wiring)


Team topology (Conway's Law):
  team-commerce  -> feature_orders   | team-billing -> feature_billing
  team-identity  -> platform_auth    | platform-team -> core/platform_network/contracts
  # module boundaries ≈ team boundaries -> autonomy + parallel work; interact via contracts


Governance: lints + import-boundary rules + CI gates + CODEOWNERS + ADRs + a template feature slice
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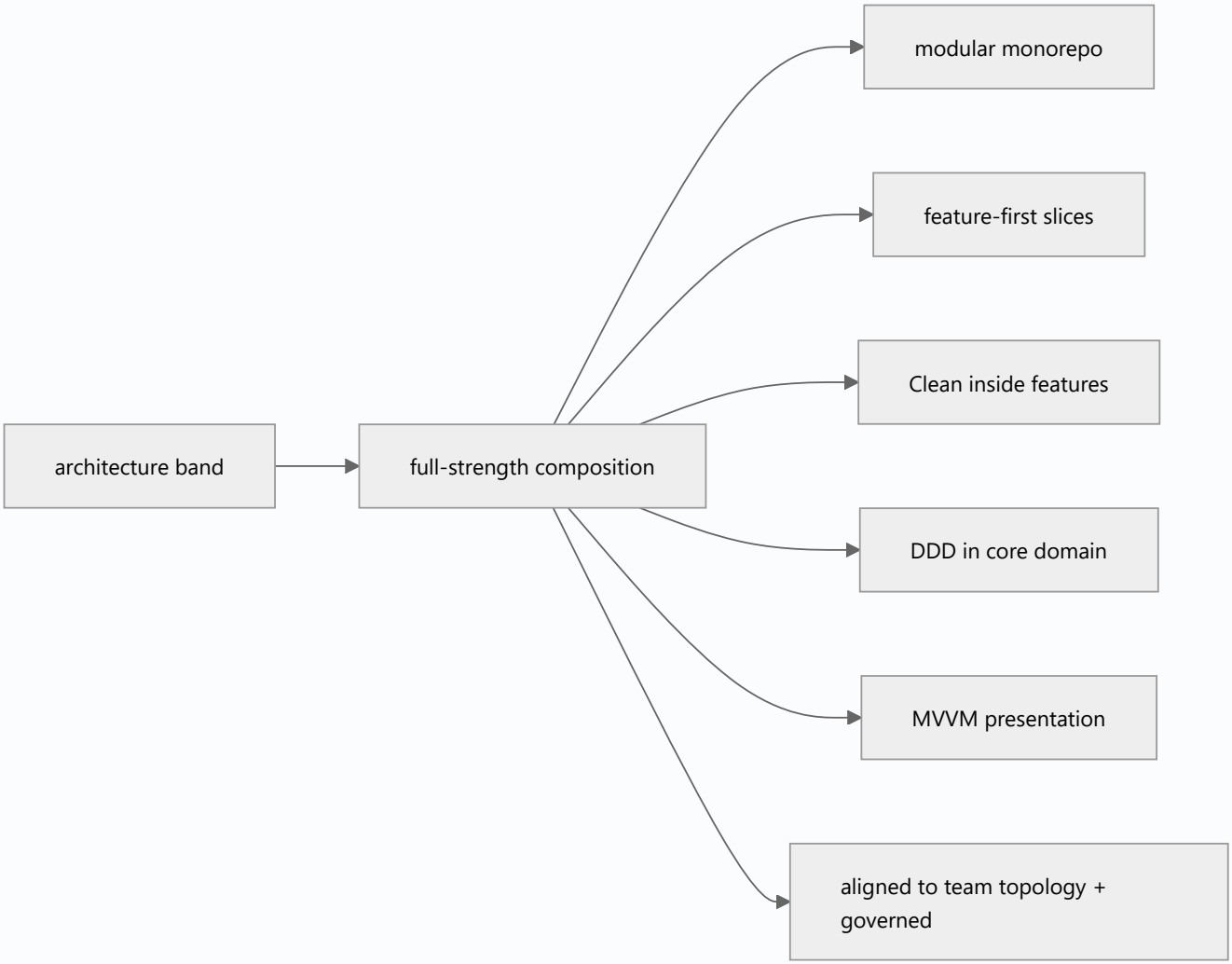
Diagrams



Common Mistakes

Mistake	Why it's a problem	Fix
Monolith many teams share	Collisions/coupling/slow builds	Modular monorepo (enforced boundaries)
Layer-first at scale	Scatters features; no ownership	Feature-first (feature=team unit)
Cross-feature internal imports	Coupling/cyclic	Contracts + DI (never internals)
DDD everywhere	Over-engineering	DDD in the complex core only
No team↔module alignment	Cross-team collisions	Conway's Law: module ≈ team
No governance	Incoherence across teams	Standards + lints/CI + CODEOWNERS + ADRs
Bloated/unstable core	Rebuilds everything, coupling	Curated, stable, low-churn core
Full modularization day one for a small app	Overhead	Grow into it from feature-first

Best Practices

- Compose the **architecture band at full strength**: **modular monorepo** (enforced boundaries) + **feature-first** slices + **Clean** inside + **DDD in the core** + **MVVM** presentation; interact **cross-feature via contracts + DI**.
- Put cross-cutting infrastructure in **shared** `core` / `platform` **packages** (design system, auth, networking, config, i18n, contracts) that features depend on; keep **core stable/low-churn**.
- **Align module boundaries to team topology** (Conway's Law) with clear **ownership** (CODEOWNERS); enforce **governance** (standards, lints, CI gates, ADRs, a template slice) for coherence.
- **Right-size**: DDD only in the complex core, grow into full modularization from feature-first; enterprise = **rigor where warranted, consistently governed** — not maximal everywhere.

Performance

Not runtime — the payoff is **team + build + evolution velocity**: enforced boundaries + modular monorepo give incremental builds + parallel team work + safe evolution over years, where a monolith would collapse. Stable core keeps CI fast (Module 45/Module 47).

Advantages / Disadvantages

- **+** Many teams work in parallel on a coherent, evolvable, testable codebase; enforced boundaries; ownership; incremental builds; cross-cutting reuse via core; scales over years.
- **−** Significant upfront structure + governance + tooling; requires discipline (boundaries/contracts/ownership); over-engineering risk if applied beyond the constraints; core-stability discipline.

Interview Questions

1. 🟢 **How do you structure a large multi-team enterprise Flutter app?** — A modular monorepo (enforced boundaries) organized feature-first, with Clean Architecture inside each feature, DDD in the complex core, MVVM presentation, and shared core/platform packages — aligned to team topology + governed.
2. 🟢 **Where do cross-cutting concerns live?** — In shared `core` / `platform` packages (design system, auth, networking, config, i18n, contracts) that features depend on; core is stable/low-churn.
3. 🟡 **How does team topology relate to architecture (Conway's Law)?** — Module/package boundaries are aligned to team boundaries (a team owns feature package(s)), enabling autonomy + parallel work; teams interact via contracts.

4. 🟡 **Is enterprise architecture new patterns?** — No — it's the deliberate full-strength composition + governance of the handbook's patterns (modular/feature-first/Clean/DDD/MVVM) at the scale the constraints demand.
5. 🟡 **Do you use DDD everywhere?** — No — DDD in the complex core domain (bounded contexts ≈ features), simpler CRUD elsewhere; right-size.
6. 🔴 **Why enforce module boundaries + governance at scale?** — To keep a many-team codebase coherent + evolvable: enforced boundaries prevent coupling/collisions; governance (standards/lints/CI/ADRs/ownership) prevents drift.
7. 🔴 **How do features interact without coupling?** — Via contracts (interfaces in a shared package) + DI wired at the app composition root — never importing another feature's internals.

Senior Engineer Tips

- Build one exemplary feature slice (Clean/MVVM inside a package) as the template and align packages to teams from the start; consistency + team↔module alignment are what make a many-team enterprise codebase navigable and parallelizable.
- Keep the shared core/platform curated, stable, and low-churn, and route all cross-feature interaction through contracts; a bloated/unstable core or a single cross-feature internal import is where enterprise codebases start to rot.
- Right-size: DDD only in the complex core, and grow into full modularization from a clean feature-first base as team/build pressure appears — enterprise rigor is about applying the band where warranted and governing it, not maximizing every pattern everywhere.

Architect Perspective

Enterprise architecture is the handbook's architecture band composed at full strength and governed for many teams over years: a modular monorepo of feature packages (Clean inside, DDD in the core, MVVM presentation) over a stable shared core, with cross-feature contracts, aligned to team topology (Conway's Law). It's **composition + governance + right-sizing**, not invention — the structural foundation on which enterprise cross-cutting concerns and integrations are built (03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md, 04_integration_and_case_studies.md, Module 47).

Summary

- Enterprise structure = modular monorepo + feature-first slices + Clean inside + DDD in the core + MVVM presentation + shared stable core/platform packages, interacting via contracts + DI.

- Align module boundaries to team topology (Conway's Law) with ownership + governance (standards/lints/CI/ADRs/template slice).
- It's full-strength composition + governance + right-sizing of the architecture band — not new patterns; DDD only in the complex core; grow into modularization.

Revision Notes

- Composition: modular monorepo (melos, enforced boundaries — Module 45) + feature-first (Module 44) + Clean inside each feature (Module 40) + DDD in complex core (Module 46) + MVVM presentation (Module 43); cross-feature via contracts + DI.
- Shared core/platform packages: design system/theming, auth/RBAC/SSO, networking client + ACL, config/feature flags, i18n/l10n, logging/monitoring facades, contracts + value objects; features→core (stable/low-churn).
- Team topology: module boundaries ≈ team boundaries (Conway's Law), CODEOWNERS, platform team owns core. Governance: standards + lints/import-rules + CI gates + ADRs + template slice. Right-size: DDD in core only; grow into modularization from feature-first; composition + governance, not new patterns.

Practice Questions

1. What patterns compose an enterprise Flutter architecture, and how?
2. How does Conway's Law shape module/team boundaries?
3. Where do cross-cutting concerns live, and why keep core stable?

Coding Questions

1. Lay out an enterprise monorepo (app + feature + core/platform + contracts packages).
2. Map packages to owning teams (CODEOWNERS) with cross-feature contracts.
3. Show a feature package's internal Clean/MVVM structure (DDD if core).

Mini Project

Enterprise architecture blueprint (design): For a multi-team enterprise app, design the structure: a modular monorepo (app + feature packages + shared core/platform + contracts, acyclic boundaries), feature-first slices with Clean/MVVM inside (DDD in the complex core), team-topology alignment (module↔team CODEOWNERS mapping, platform team owns core), cross-feature interaction via contracts + DI, and a governance plan (standards/lints/CI/ADRs/template slice) — with right-sizing notes. Acceptance: full-strength composition (monorepo/feature-

first/Clean/DDD-core/MVVM); shared stable core/platform packages; contracts + DI (no cross-feature internals); team↔module alignment + ownership; governance; right-sized (DDD in core, grow into modularization).

Cross-Cutting Enterprise Concerns

> Enterprise apps carry concerns that touch **every feature** and must be **architected into the shared core, not bolted on**: **auth + RBAC/ABAC** (roles/permissions gating UI + server-enforced), **audit logging** (who did what, when — for compliance), **i18n/l10n** (locales/currencies/dates/RTL), **theming + white-label** (one codebase, many brands/tenants), **config + feature flags + remote config** (change behavior without redeploying; per-tenant/env), and **environment management** (dev/staging/prod + tenant). The rule: put each in a **shared, injectable service/package** so every feature uses it consistently — and enforce the **security-critical ones (RBAC/audit) server-side** (client = UX only).

Introduction

This file covers the enterprise cross-cutting concerns — auth/RBAC, audit, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config/feature flags, environments — and how to architect them into the shared `core` / `platform` layer (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md). These are exactly what consumer tutorials skip.

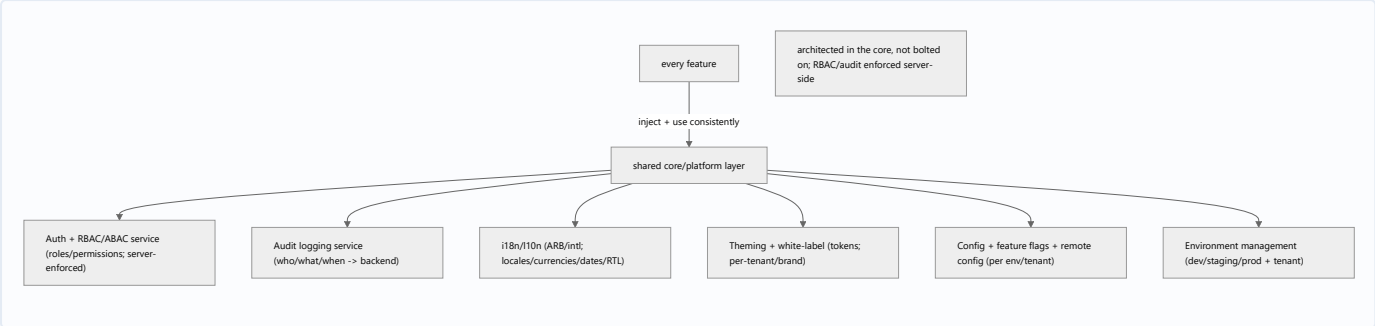
Why this concept exists

These concerns span the whole app, are hard to retrofit, and are often **hard requirements** (compliance/audit, RBAC, multi-tenant). Architecting them **once, in shared services**, gives consistency + a single place to change/secure them; leaving them per-feature yields duplication, drift, and security/compliance gaps. Enterprise success depends on getting them right early.

Real-world analogy

Cross-cutting concerns are the **building's shared infrastructure** — the **security/access-badge system (RBAC)**, the **CCTV/visitor log (audit)**, **multilingual signage (i18n)**, **tenant-branded lobbies (white-label)**, the **master control panel (config/feature flags)**, and **separate wiring for each floor's environment (envs/tenants)**. You install them **once, centrally**, so every office (feature) uses them consistently — not each office rigging its own ad hoc lock, camera, and sign.

Internal Working



- **Auth + RBAC/ABAC** (Module 17/Module 37):
  - **Authentication** (who you are — SSO/OIDC/tokens — 04_integration_and_case_studies.md) + **Authorization** (what you may do): **RBAC** (role→permissions) or **ABAC** (attribute-based). Features check permissions to **gate UI** (`if (user.can('orders.edit'))`) via a shared `AuthService` / `PermissionService`.
  - **Server-authoritative** (critical): client-side RBAC is **UX only** — the **server enforces** access on every request (never trust the client — Module 37). Client gating hides/disables; server rejects unauthorized calls.
  - Centralize in the **platform auth package**; expose permission checks + reactive role/session state.
- **Audit logging** (compliance): record **who did what, when** (user, action, resource, timestamp, outcome) for security/compliance/forensics — typically **server-side** (authoritative), with the client emitting **audit events** for significant actions via a shared audit service. Distinct from ordinary logging (Module 39); often a hard regulatory requirement. **No PII beyond policy**; immutable/retained per compliance.
- **Internationalization/localization (i18n/l10n)**:
  - **i18n** = code ready for translation (no hardcoded strings; use `intl` + **ARB files** / `flutter gen-l10n`); **l10n** = the actual translations + locale formatting (dates/numbers/currencies via `intl`), **RTL** support (`Directionality`), pluralization/gender. Set up **from the start** (retrofitting hardcoded strings is painful). A shared l10n setup + `AppLocalizations` used everywhere.
- **Theming + white-label**:
  - One codebase serving **many brands/tenants** via **design tokens** + `ThemeData` (colors/typography/logos/spacing) swapped **per tenant** (Module 25). White-label = tenant-specific theme + assets + config, resolved at runtime (from config/tenant). Centralize in the **design-system/theming package**; features consume tokens, never hardcode brand values.
- **Config + feature flags + remote config**:

    - **Config**: environment/tenant settings (endpoints, keys, toggles) — non-secret via build config/ `--dart-define`, secrets server-side (Module 50).
    - **Feature flags**: enable/disable features **without redeploying** (gradual rollout, A/B, kill switches, per-tenant features) — via a **flag service** (Firebase Remote Config / LaunchDarkly / custom). Enables safe rollout + per-tenant customization.
    - **Remote config**: change values/behavior server-side at runtime. Centralize in a **config service**; features read flags/config through it.
- **Environment management**: **dev/staging/prod** (+ per-tenant) via **flavors + `--dart-define` /entry points** (Module 50) — distinct endpoints/config/keys/signing per env; never hardcode; inject the environment.
- **The architectural rule (unifying)**: put **each concern in a shared, injectable service/package** in `core` / `platform` (DI — Module 14), so **every feature uses it consistently**, it's **testable** (fakes), and it's **changed/secured in one place**. **Bake them in early** (01_enterprise_fundamentals.md) and **enforce security-critical ones (RBAC/audit) server-side**.

Memory Representation

Not code — a **shared-services model**: `AuthService` / `PermissionService`, `AuditService`, i18n (`AppLocalizations`), theming (tokens/ `ThemeData`), `ConfigService` /flag service, environment config — all in `core` / `platform`, injected into features. Runtime holds current session/roles, locale, tenant theme, and flags/config.

Compiler Behavior

i18n via codegen (`flutter gen-l10n` from ARB); `--dart-define` /flavors inject env config at build; shared services compile against interfaces (testable/swappable). Hardcoded strings/brand values are the smell these prevent.

Runtime Behavior

Features query the auth/permission service (UI gating) while the **server enforces** access; audit events emitted for significant actions; locale/currency formatting via `intl`; theme resolved per tenant; flags/config read at runtime (remote config updates behavior without redeploy); environment determines endpoints/config.

Flutter Engine / Dart VM Behavior

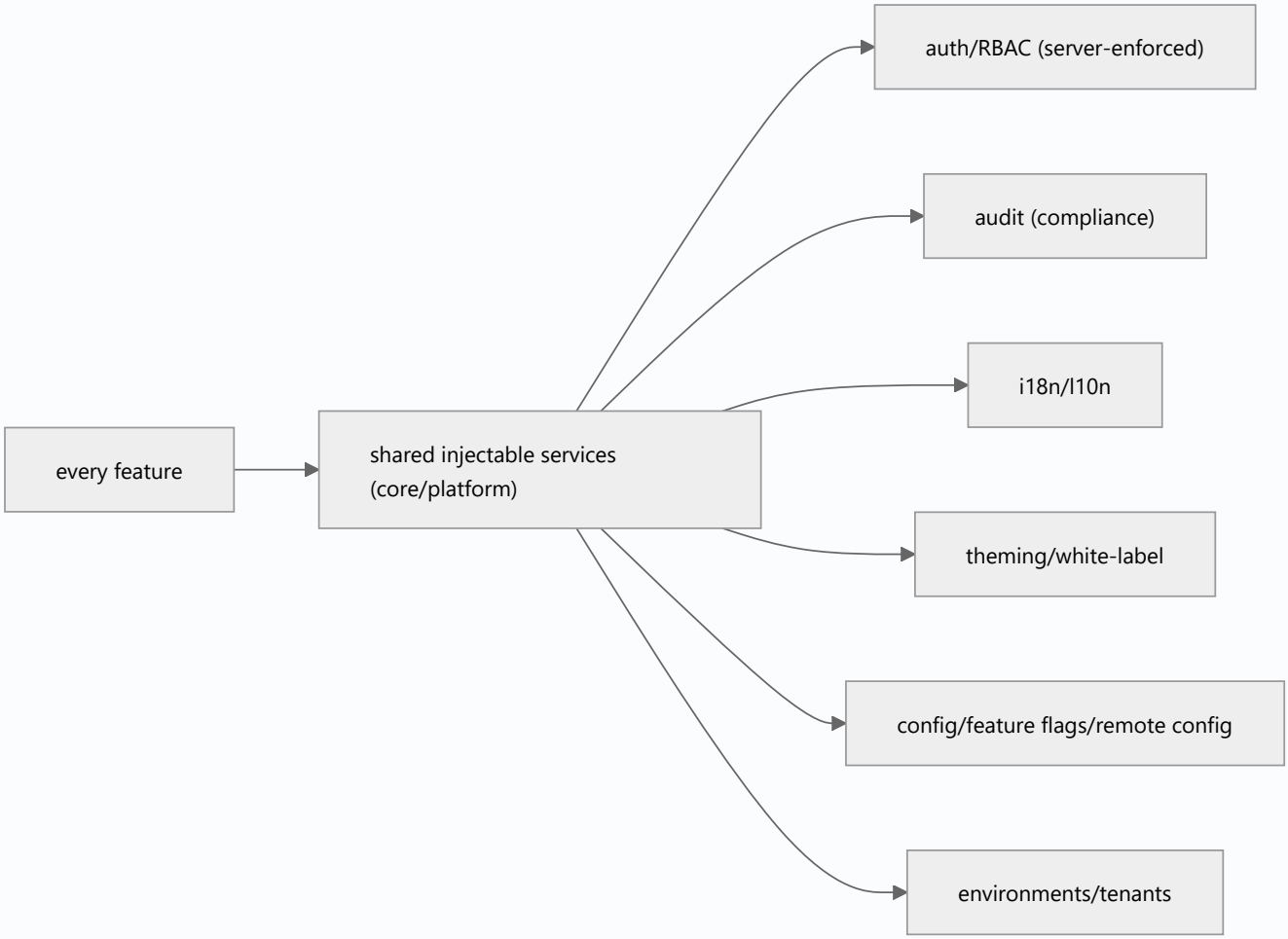
`Directionality` / `intl` handle RTL + locale formatting in the framework; theming flows via `Theme` / `InheritedWidget`. Not internals-specific.

Examples

```
// RBAC — permission gating in the UI (server still enforces every request)
if (auth.can('orders.edit')) EditOrderButton()      // UX gate; server authoritative
// AuthService/PermissionService in platform_auth; exposes reactive session/roles + can(permission)

// Audit — emit a compliance event for a significant action (who/what/when, server-authoritative)
audit.record(action: 'order.cancelled', resource: 'order/42', actor: user.id);   // -> backend audit log

// i18n/l10n — no hardcoded strings; intl + ARB + locale formatting
Text(AppLocalizations.of(context).cancelOrder);                                  // translated
Text(NumberFormat.currency(locale: locale, symbol: '€').format(amount));         // locale currency
// Directionality/RTL handled by the framework + generated l10n

// Feature flag + config (change behavior without redeploy; per env/tenant)
if (flags.isEnabled('new_checkout')) NewCheckout() else LegacyCheckout();
final baseUrl = config.get('api.baseUrl');           // per environment/tenant

// White-label theming — tokens per tenant (no hardcoded brand values)
MaterialApp(theme: tenantTheme(tenant));             // resolved from config/tenant
```

```
Architect each concern into a shared, injectable service (core/platform):
  AuthService/PermissionService (RBAC/ABAC; server-enforced) | AuditService (who/what/when -> backend)
  AppLocalizations (i18n/l10n; intl+ARB; RTL/currency/date)  | Theming (tokens/ThemeData per tenant/white-label)
  ConfigService + FeatureFlags/RemoteConfig (per env/tenant) | Environment (flavors + --dart-define)
  -> every feature uses them consistently; bake in EARLY; RBAC/audit enforced SERVER-side
```

Diagrams



Common Mistakes

Mistake	Why it's a problem	Fix
Client-only RBAC	Bypassable	Server-authoritative; client = UX gate
No/late audit logging	Compliance failure	Audit service (who/what/when), server-side, early
Hardcoded strings	i18n retrofit is painful	i18n from start (intl/ARB) + RTL/locale formats
Hardcoded brand/theme values	Can't white-label	Design tokens + per-tenant `ThemeData`
Per-feature ad hoc concerns	Duplication/drift/gaps	Shared injectable services in core/platform
Redeploy for every behavior change	Slow/risky	Feature flags + remote config
Hardcoded endpoints/env	Config bleed	Flavors + `--dart-define` per env/tenant
PII in audit/logs beyond policy	Compliance breach	Redact; retain per policy

Best Practices

- Architect **each cross-cutting concern into a shared, injectable service/package** in `core` / `platform` (DI) so every feature uses it **consistently, testably, and changeably in one place** — **bake them in early**.
- **Enforce security-critical concerns server-side**: **RBAC/ABAC** (client gating = UX only, server authoritative) and **audit logging** (who/what/when, compliance-grade, no PII beyond policy).
- Set up **i18n/l10n from the start** (`intl` /ARB, no hardcoded strings, locale/currency/date formatting, RTL) and **theming via design tokens** for **white-label/multi-tenant** (no hardcoded brand values).
- Use **feature flags + remote config** (change behavior without redeploy; per env/tenant; gradual rollout/kill switches) and **environment management** (flavors + `--dart-define`, never hardcoded).

Performance

Not primarily perf — these are correctness/compliance/flexibility concerns. Feature flags + remote config also enable **safe gradual rollouts** (Module 51). Centralized services avoid duplicated work; i18n/theming have negligible runtime cost. The payoff is consistency + compliance + configurability, not speed.

Advantages / Disadvantages

- **+** Consistent, compliant, configurable, multi-tenant/global-ready app; concerns changed/secured in one place; testable; safe rollouts (flags).
- **−** Upfront architecture + setup (services/i18n/theming/flags/envs); server-side enforcement needed for RBAC/audit; discipline to route everything through shared services; compliance overhead.

Interview Questions

1. 🟢 **What are the key cross-cutting enterprise concerns?** — Auth + RBAC/ABAC, audit logging, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config + feature flags + remote config, and environment management.
2. 🟢 **Where should RBAC be enforced, and what's the client's role?** — Server-authoritative (every request); the client only gates UI (hide/disable) for UX — client-side checks are bypassable.
3. 🟡 **How do you architect cross-cutting concerns?** — As shared, injectable services/packages in core/platform (DI), so every feature uses them consistently, testably, and changeably in one place — baked in early.

4. 🟡 **What's the difference between i18n and l10n, and why start early?** — i18n = making code translatable (no hardcoded strings, `intl`/ARB); l10n = the translations + locale formatting (dates/currency/RTL); retrofitting hardcoded strings is painful, so set it up from the start.
5. 🟡 **How do feature flags + remote config help enterprise apps?** — Change behavior/enable features without redeploying (gradual rollout, A/B, kill switches, per-tenant features) — safer, more flexible releases.
6. 🔴 **What is audit logging, and how does it differ from ordinary logging?** — Compliance-grade records of who did what, when (actor/action/resource/timestamp/outcome), server-authoritative + retained per policy — vs diagnostic logging for debugging.
7. 🔴 **How do you support white-label/multi-tenant theming?** — Design tokens + per-tenant `ThemeData`/assets resolved at runtime (from config/tenant) — features consume tokens, never hardcode brand values.

Senior Engineer Tips

- Put every cross-cutting concern behind a shared injectable service and route all features through it; the enterprise failure mode is per-feature ad hoc RBAC/i18n/theming that drifts and leaves security/compliance gaps.
- Enforce RBAC + audit server-side and treat audit as a first-class, compliance-grade feature from day one; "client-side role checks" and "we'll add the audit trail later" are classic, costly enterprise mistakes.
- Set up i18n (no hardcoded strings) + design-token theming + feature flags + flavor-based environments early; each is dramatically cheaper to architect in than to retrofit once dozens of features exist.

Architect Perspective

Cross-cutting concerns are the enterprise infrastructure layer: auth/RBAC, audit, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config/feature-flags, and environments — architected once into shared, injectable core/platform services so every feature uses them consistently, with the security-critical ones (RBAC/audit) enforced server-side. Baking them in early (not bolting them on) is what makes an enterprise app compliant, global, multi-tenant, and configurable over its long life — the concerns that distinguish enterprise engineering from consumer apps (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md, Module 17, Module 37, Module 25).

Summary

- Cross-cutting concerns (auth/RBAC, audit, i18n/l10n, theming/white-label, config/feature flags, environments) touch every feature and must be architected into shared injectable

core/platform services — baked in early, not bolted on.

- Enforce RBAC + audit server-side (client = UX/emit events); set up i18n + token-based theming from the start; use feature flags + remote config for redeploy-free behavior changes; manage environments via flavors + `--dart-define`.
- One place per concern → consistency, compliance, configurability, testability across all features.

Revision Notes

- Auth + RBAC/ABAC (Module 17/37): authn (SSO/OIDC/tokens) + authz (role→permissions); client gates UI (UX), **server enforces** every request. Audit: who/what/when/resource/outcome, server-authoritative, compliance-grade, retained per policy, no PII beyond policy (≠ diagnostic logging Module 39).
- i18n/l10n: no hardcoded strings; `intl` + ARB (`flutter gen-l10n`) + locale/currency/date formatting + RTL (`Directionality`); set up early. Theming/white-label: design tokens + per-tenant `ThemeData`/assets (Module 25); no hardcoded brand values.
- Config/feature flags/remote config (Firebase Remote Config/LaunchDarkly/custom): change behavior without redeploy, gradual rollout/kill switch/A-B/per-tenant. Environments: flavors + `--dart-define`/entry points (dev/staging/prod + tenant). Rule: each concern = shared injectable service in core/platform (DI), used consistently, RBAC/audit server-side, baked in EARLY.

Practice Questions

1. Where is RBAC enforced, and what does the client do?
2. Why architect cross-cutting concerns into shared services + bake them in early?
3. What's audit logging, and how does it differ from ordinary logging?

Coding Questions

1. Build a `PermissionService` with `can(permission)` (UI gate) + note server enforcement.
2. Set up i18n (intl/ARB) + a per-tenant themed `MaterialApp`.
3. Wire a feature-flag service gating a feature + flavor-based environment config.

Mini Project

Cross-cutting concerns (design/build): For an enterprise app, architect the cross-cutting concerns into shared injectable core/platform services: `AuthService`/`PermissionService` (RBAC UI gating + documented server enforcement), an `AuditService` (who/what/when → backend), i18n/l10n (intl/ARB + locale formatting + RTL, no hardcoded strings), per-tenant white-label

theming (design tokens), a config + feature-flag/remote-config service, and flavor-based environment management (dev/staging/prod + tenant) — each used consistently across features via DI. Acceptance: each concern as a shared injectable service (used consistently); RBAC + audit server-enforced (client = UX/emit); i18n + token theming set up (no hardcoded strings/brand); feature flags + remote config; environments via flavors/ `--dart-define`; baked in early.

Integration Patterns & Case Studies

> Enterprise apps rarely talk to one clean backend — they integrate with **SSO** (SAML/OIDC identity providers), **multiple backends/microservices** (a BFF or aggregation layer helps), **legacy systems** (odd formats/protocols), and **many third-party services** (payments, analytics, maps, CRMs). The discipline: **wrap every external system behind an interface + an Anti-Corruption Layer (ACL)** so its model/quirks never leak into your clean domain — the client depends on **your abstractions**, adapters translate to each system, and you can swap/version integrations without ripple. This file also walks **case-study architectures** (B2B multi-tenant, super-app, offline-heavy field app) showing how the handbook's pieces + these integration patterns combine in practice.

Introduction

This file covers enterprise integration patterns (SSO, multi-backend/BFF, legacy via ACL, third-party) and how to keep them from corrupting the domain, then illustrates with real-world case-study architectures. It applies networking (Module 16), auth (Module 17), DDD's ACL (Module 46), and the enterprise structure (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md).

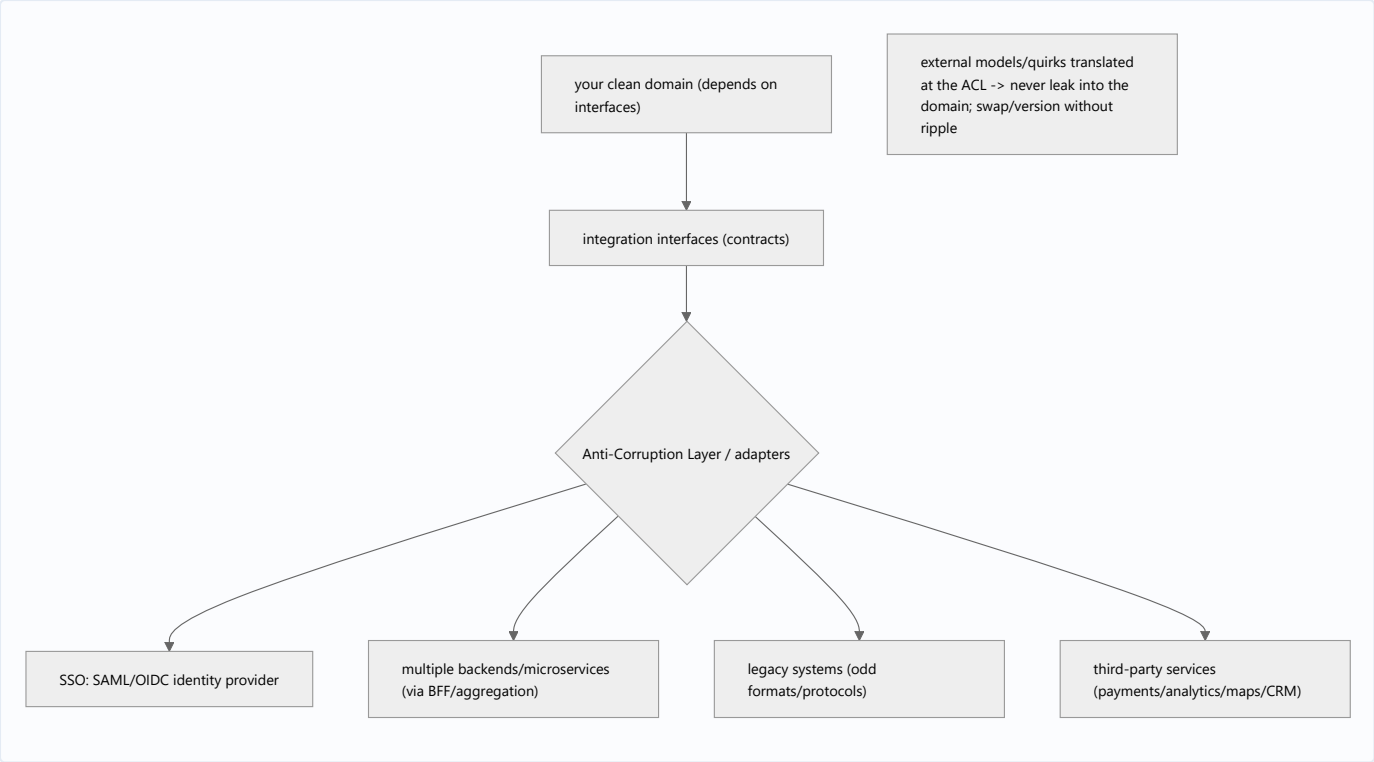
Why this concept exists

Enterprise systems are heterogeneous + long-lived; integrations are numerous, messy, and change independently. Without disciplined boundaries, external models/quirks (a legacy SOAP schema, a vendor's oddities) **leak into your domain**, coupling you to systems you don't control and making change/replacement painful. The **interface + ACL/adapter** pattern isolates your clean domain from that mess — the core enterprise-integration skill.

Real-world analogy

Integrations are like a company dealing with **many outside suppliers, some using ancient fax-based ordering (legacy), some via a modern portal (SSO/API)**. You don't let each supplier's weird process invade your internal operations — you have a **procurement department (ACL/adapters)** that speaks each supplier's language externally and hands your internal teams a **clean, standard order** internally. Swap a supplier and only procurement changes; operations are untouched.

Internal Working



- **The core pattern — interface + Anti-Corruption Layer (ACL)** (Module 46/Module 40):
  - Define **integration interfaces** (contracts) your domain depends on; implement each with an **adapter** that talks to the external system and **translates its model → your domain model** (and quirks/errors → your types). The **ACL** is the translation boundary that **protects your domain** from foreign concepts.
  - Result: the domain is **decoupled** from external systems; you can **swap/version** an integration (change vendor, migrate a legacy system) by changing only its adapter.
- **SSO (Single Sign-On)** (Module 17/Module 37):
  - Enterprise auth is usually **federated**: **OIDC/OAuth2** (+ PKCE) or **SAML** against a corporate **identity provider** (Okta/Azure AD/Auth0/Keycloak). The app redirects to the IdP, receives tokens, and maps IdP claims → your **session + roles (RBAC)**. Wrap behind an `AuthService` so features don't know the IdP specifics; handle token refresh/logout/session.
- **Multiple backends / microservices**:
  - Enterprise data spans many services. Options: call each directly (chatty, couples client to service topology) **or** use a **Backend-for-Frontend (BFF)/aggregation layer** that composes services into client-shaped responses (fewer round-trips, insulates the client from service churn — Module 48). The client's **repositories** hide which backend(s) serve the data.
- **Legacy systems**:
  - Old systems (SOAP/XML, unusual protocols, inconsistent data) are a classic enterprise reality. **Never let their model leak in** — wrap them behind an **adapter/ACL** that

translates to clean domain types (ideally the legacy is fronted by a modern API/gateway server-side; if not, the client adapter absorbs the mess). Plan **strangler-fig migration** to replace legacy incrementally (Module 44/Module 47).

- **Third-party services**:
  - Payments (Module 31), analytics/monitoring (Module 52), maps (Module 30), notifications (Module 32), CRMs, etc. Wrap each behind **your interface** (swappable/testable/consent-gated) — don't scatter vendor SDK calls; centralize in shared services (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md).
- **Where integrations live**: in **platform packages** (`platform_auth`, `platform_network` with the ACLs/adapters) behind **contracts** that features + the domain depend on — the enterprise structure (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md).
- **Case studies (how it all composes)**:
  - **B2B multi-tenant SaaS**: modular monorepo + feature-first; **SSO** per tenant, **RBAC** per role, **white-label theming** + per-tenant config/flags, **audit** logging, **multi-backend via BFF**; offline read + optimistic writes for key flows; heavy testing + monitoring. (Combines 45/03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md/Module 48.)
  - **Super-app / platform**: many feature modules (some by different teams/vendors), a strong **shared platform** (auth/design system/host), **feature flags** to enable/gate mini-apps, **contracts** between host + features; possibly **dynamic/modular delivery**.
  - **Offline-heavy field app** (logistics/healthcare): **offline-first** (outbox + sync + conflict resolution — Module 19), local DB (Module 20), background sync (Module 33), device features (Module 29), robust error handling, integration with legacy dispatch systems via ACL. Reliability + data integrity dominate.
  - Each case study is **the handbook's pieces + integration patterns, composed for that domain's dominating NFRs** — reinforcing that enterprise architecture is composition, not invention.
- **The discipline recap**: **interface + ACL/adapter per external system**, integrations in platform packages behind contracts, security (SSO/tokens) server-authoritative, swap/version without domain ripple, and **plan legacy migration incrementally**.

Memory Representation

Not runtime — an **integration boundary map**: domain/features → integration interfaces (contracts) → adapters/ACLs → external systems (SSO/backends/legacy/third-party), housed in platform packages. Adapters hold the translation; the domain holds only clean types.

Compiler Behavior

Domain/features compile against **interfaces**; adapters (in platform packages) import vendor SDKs/protocols. Swapping an integration = new adapter, no domain change (DIP). Contracts are compiler-enforced package boundaries (Module 45).

Runtime Behavior

Features call domain interfaces → adapters translate to/from external systems (SSO redirect/token exchange, BFF calls, legacy protocol, vendor SDK); external errors/quirks converted to domain types at the ACL. Offline/sync + monitoring behave as their modules define.

Flutter Engine / Dart VM Behavior

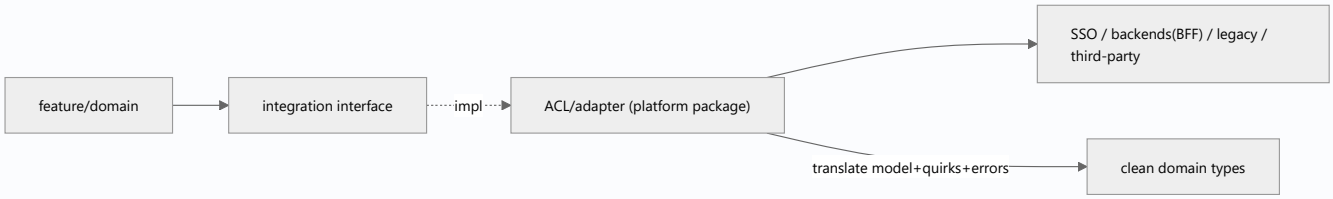
Not applicable beyond normal networking/SDK behavior; SSO may use platform webviews/deep links (Module 17).

Examples

```
// Interface + ACL/adapter — legacy system wrapped; domain sees only clean types
abstract class OrderGateway { Future<Order> fetch(String id); }   // domain contract

class LegacySoapOrderAdapter implements OrderGateway {            // ACL/adapter (platform_network)
  final SoapClient soap;
  LegacySoapOrderAdapter(this.soap);
  @override
  Future<Order> fetch(String id) async {
    final xml = await soap.call('GetOrder', {'id': id});          // legacy quirks live HERE
    return _toDomain(xml);                                        // translate -> clean Order
  }
  Order _toDomain(XmlDoc xml) => /* map messy legacy XML -> domain Order */ Order(/*...*/);
}
// Swap to a modern REST backend later = new adapter implementing OrderGateway; domain untouched.

// SSO (OIDC) behind AuthService — features don't know the IdP
abstract class AuthService { Future<Session> loginWithSso(); }
// impl: OIDC/PKCE redirect to IdP -> tokens -> map claims -> Session + roles (RBAC)
```

```
Integration patterns:
  SSO           -> OIDC/OAuth2(+PKCE)/SAML to corporate IdP (Okta/AzureAD/Auth0/Keycloak) -> AuthService
  multi-backend -> BFF/aggregation layer -> repositories hide service topology
  legacy        -> adapter/ACL translates odd formats/protocols -> domain types; strangler-fig migration
  third-party   -> wrap each vendor behind YOUR interface (swappable/testable/consent-gated)
  -> all behind interfaces/contracts in platform packages; domain depends on abstractions

Case studies (handbook pieces + integrations composed for dominating NFRs):
  B2B multi-tenant SaaS | super-app/platform | offline-heavy field app
```

Diagrams



Common Mistakes

Mistake	Why it's a problem	Fix
External model leaks into domain	Couples domain to systems you don't control	Interface + ACL/adapter translation
Scattering vendor SDK calls	Not swappable/testable	Wrap each behind your interface
Client coupled to microservice topology	Chatty/fragile	BFF/aggregation + repositories hide topology
Legacy quirks throughout the app	Un-maintainable	Isolate in an adapter; plan migration
IdP specifics in features	Hard to change SSO provider	Behind an `AuthService`
Big-bang legacy replacement	Risky	Strangler-fig incremental migration
Integrations outside platform packages/contracts	Coupling/no boundaries	Platform packages + contracts (Module 45)
Trusting external systems' security	Breach risk	Server-authoritative auth; validate inputs

Best Practices

- Wrap **every external system behind an interface + an Anti-Corruption Layer/adapter** (in platform packages, behind contracts) so external models/quirks/errors are **translated to clean**

domain types and never leak — enabling **swap/version without domain ripple**.

- Handle **SSO** (OIDC/OAuth2+PKCE/SAML to a corporate IdP) behind an `AuthService` (features IdP-agnostic; tokens→session+RBAC; server-authoritative); use a **BFF/aggregation layer** for **multiple backends** so repositories hide service topology.
- **Isolate legacy** behind adapters (absorb odd formats/protocols) and **migrate incrementally (strangler-fig)**; wrap **third-party** vendors behind **your interfaces** (swappable/testable/consent-gated).
- Compose the **handbook's pieces + these patterns per the domain's dominating NFRs** (case-study style); keep integrations **in platform packages behind contracts**.

Performance

Integration boundaries add negligible runtime cost (adapter translation); a **BFF reduces round-trips** (perf win over chatty multi-service calls). The real payoff is **decoupling + evolvability** (swap/migrate without ripple). Offline/sync case studies inherit their modules' perf characteristics.

Advantages / Disadvantages

- **+** Domain insulated from messy/volatile external systems, swappable/versionable integrations, IdP-agnostic auth, fewer round-trips (BFF), incremental legacy migration, testable (fake adapters).
- **−** Adapter/ACL boilerplate per integration, BFF adds a backend layer, SSO/SAML complexity, legacy translation effort, discipline to keep integrations behind boundaries.

Interview Questions

1. 🟢 **How do you keep external systems from corrupting your domain?** — Wrap each behind an interface + an Anti-Corruption Layer/adapter that translates its model/quirks/errors to clean domain types; the domain depends on your abstractions.
2. 🟢 **What is SSO in an enterprise app, and how do you integrate it?** — Federated auth (OIDC/OAuth2+PKCE or SAML) against a corporate IdP; the app gets tokens, maps claims→session+RBAC, all behind an `AuthService` (features IdP-agnostic; server-authoritative).
3. 🟡 **How do you handle multiple backends/microservices?** — A BFF/aggregation layer composes services into client-shaped responses (fewer round-trips, insulates from topology); repositories hide which backend serves data.
4. 🟡 **How do you integrate a legacy system safely?** — Wrap it in an adapter/ACL that translates its odd formats/protocols to domain types (ideally fronted by a modern gateway server-side), and plan strangler-fig incremental migration.
5. 🟡 **How should third-party services be integrated?** — Behind your own interfaces (not scattered vendor SDK calls) — swappable, testable, consent-gated, centralized in

shared/platform services.

6. 🔴 **Why is the ACL/adapter pattern the core enterprise-integration skill?** — Enterprise systems are heterogeneous, messy, and change independently; the ACL isolates your clean domain so integrations can be swapped/versioned/migrated without domain ripple.
7. 🔴 **How do the case studies illustrate enterprise architecture?** — They compose the handbook's pieces + integration patterns for each domain's dominating NFRs (multi-tenant SSO/RBAC/white-label; super-app platform/flags/contracts; offline-first field app) — composition, not invention.

Senior Engineer Tips

- Put an interface + adapter/ACL in front of every external system (SSO/backends/legacy/third-party) in platform packages behind contracts; the enterprise-integration failure is letting a vendor's or legacy system's model leak into your domain, coupling you to something you don't control.
- Keep SSO behind an `AuthService` and consider a BFF for multi-service data; features shouldn't know the IdP or the microservice topology, so you can change either without touching them.
- Isolate legacy behind adapters and migrate strangler-fig, never big-bang; and wrap third-party SDKs behind your own interfaces so you can swap vendors, test with fakes, and gate consent centrally.

Architect Perspective

Integration is where enterprise heterogeneity meets your clean architecture: the interface + Anti-Corruption Layer pattern (in platform packages behind contracts) isolates the domain from SSO, multiple backends, legacy systems, and third-party vendors — enabling swap/version/migrate without ripple. The case studies show enterprise architecture is **the handbook's pieces + integration patterns composed for the domain's dominating NFRs**. Mastering integration boundaries is what lets an enterprise app connect to everything without being corrupted by anything (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md, Module 46, Module 17, Module 48).

Summary

- Wrap every external system (SSO, multiple backends, legacy, third-party) behind an **interface + ACL/adapter** (in platform packages, behind contracts) that translates its model/quirks to clean domain types — swap/version/migrate without domain ripple.
- SSO via OIDC/SAML behind an `AuthService` (server-authoritative); multi-backend via BFF (repositories hide topology); legacy isolated + strangler-fig migrated; third-party behind your interfaces.

- Case studies (B2B multi-tenant, super-app, offline field app) = the handbook's pieces + integration patterns composed for each domain's dominating NFRs.

Revision Notes

- Core pattern: interface + Anti-Corruption Layer/adapter per external system (in platform packages behind contracts) → translate model/quirks/errors → clean domain types; domain depends on abstractions; swap/version without ripple (DIP).
- SSO: OIDC/OAuth2(+PKCE)/SAML → corporate IdP (Okta/AzureAD/Auth0/Keycloak); tokens→session+RBAC behind `AuthService` (IdP-agnostic, server-authoritative). Multi-backend: BFF/aggregation → repositories hide topology (fewer round-trips). Legacy: adapter/ACL absorbs odd formats/protocols; strangler-fig migration. Third-party: wrap behind your interfaces (swappable/testable/consent-gated).
- Case studies: B2B multi-tenant SaaS (SSO/RBAC/white-label/audit/BFF/offline) | super-app/platform (feature modules + shared platform + flags + contracts) | offline-heavy field app (offline-first/local DB/background sync/device/legacy ACL). Composition of handbook pieces + integration patterns per dominating NFRs.

Practice Questions

1. How does the ACL/adapter pattern protect your domain from external systems?
2. How do you integrate SSO and multiple backends cleanly?
3. How do you safely integrate + migrate a legacy system?

Coding Questions

1. Define an integration interface + an adapter/ACL translating a legacy/vendor model to a domain type.
2. Wrap SSO behind an `AuthService` (tokens→session+roles) that features consume.
3. Sketch a BFF-backed repository hiding multiple backends.

Mini Project

Enterprise integration design (design/build): For an enterprise app, design the integrations: SSO (OIDC/SAML → corporate IdP) behind an `AuthService` (→ session + RBAC, server-authoritative), multiple backends via a BFF (repositories hide topology), a legacy system wrapped in an adapter/ACL (translating to clean domain types) with a strangler-fig migration plan, and third-party services behind your interfaces — all in platform packages behind contracts. Then pick one case study (B2B multi-tenant / super-app / offline field app) and outline how the handbook's pieces + these patterns compose for its dominating NFRs. Acceptance: each external

system behind interface + ACL/adapter (domain uninfected, swappable); SSO behind `AuthService` (server-authoritative); BFF for multi-backend; legacy isolated + migration plan; third-party behind interfaces; a case-study composition tied to dominating NFRs.

Enterprise Integration (Capstone: A Full Enterprise Architecture)

> Assemble everything into a **documented enterprise architecture** for a realistic app (e.g., a **multi-tenant B2B tool**): a **modular monorepo** (feature packages over a shared `core` / `platform`, aligned to **team topology**) with **feature-first + Clean + DDD-in-the-core + MVVM**; **cross-cutting concerns** baked into core (**SSO auth + RBAC**, **audit**, **i18n/l10n**, **white-label theming**, **feature flags + env config**); **integrations** behind interfaces + **ACLs** (SSO, multi-backend via BFF, a legacy system); and the **supporting practices** (CI/CD, testing pyramid, monitoring/SLOs, governance/ADRs). Documented with **trade-offs, team mapping, and NFR coverage** — this is enterprise architecture as **deliberate composition of the whole handbook** for the domain's dominating requirements.

Introduction

This module capstone composes the enterprise fundamentals, structure, cross-cutting concerns, and integrations into one coherent enterprise architecture + rationale — the "put it all together for enterprise" deliverable. It synthesizes the architecture band (40–48) + practices (49–52) + cross-cutting/integration into a documented whole.

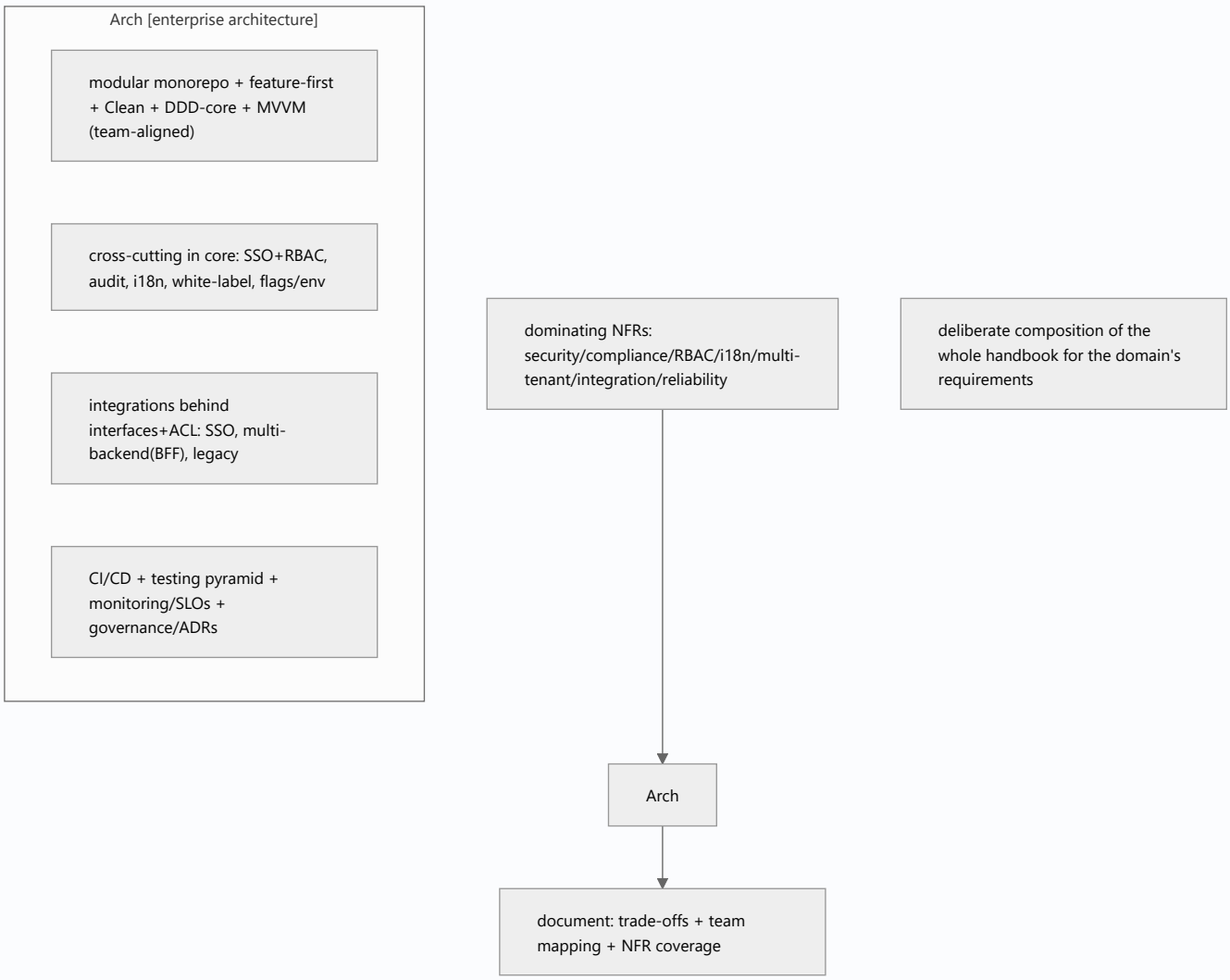
Why this concept exists

The enterprise pieces only deliver when **assembled + governed + documented** as one architecture that meets the dominating NFRs. This capstone provides that integrated exemplar, showing how structure + cross-cutting concerns + integrations + practices + team topology cohere — and cementing that enterprise architecture is composition + judgment, not invention.

Real-world analogy

It's the **master plan for an airport**: the terminal layout (modular structure), the shared infrastructure (auth/security/signage = cross-cutting concerns), the connections to airlines/customs/ATC (integrations), the operations/safety/regulatory processes (CI-CD/testing/monitoring/governance), and the org chart running each zone (team topology) — all documented with trade-offs and how each requirement is met. One coherent, governed, evolvable system for decades of operation.

Internal Working



- **1. Requirements + NFRs** (01_enterprise_fundamentals.md): identify the app's dominating NFRs (e.g., multi-tenant B2B: security/compliance/audit, RBAC per role, SSO, i18n, white-label, multi-backend integration, reliability/SLOs, long-lived/multi-team). These **drive every decision**.
- **2. Structure** (02_enterprise_architecture_and_structure.md): **modular monorepo** — `app` (composition root) + **feature packages** (feature-first, Clean inside, **DDD in the complex core**, MVVM presentation) + **shared** `core` / `platform` (design system, auth, networking, config, i18n, contracts). **Aligned to team topology** (module ↔ team, CODEOWNERS), cross-feature via **contracts + DI**.
- **3. Cross-cutting concerns in core** (03_cross_cutting_enterprise_concerns.md): **SSO auth + RBAC** (server-authoritative, client-gated UX), **audit logging** (compliance), **i18n/l10n** (locales/RTL/currency), **white-label theming** (per-tenant tokens), **feature flags + remote config + env management** (redeploy-free, per-tenant/env). All shared injectable services used consistently.

- **4. Integrations behind interfaces + ACL** (04_integration_and_case_studies.md): **SSO** (OIDC/SAML → `AuthService`), **multiple backends via a BFF** (repositories hide topology), a **legacy system** wrapped in an **adapter/ACL** (+ strangler-fig migration), third-party vendors behind your interfaces — all in platform packages behind contracts; domain uninfected.
- **5. Supporting practices** (49–52/Module 47): **CI/CD** (incremental `melos --since`, signed builds, staged release), the **testing pyramid** (per-layer unit + widget/golden + few E2E, CI-gated), **monitoring** (crash-free rate + SLIs/SLOs + audit-adjacent telemetry), and **governance** (standards, lints, ADRs, reviews, ownership) — the operability + quality backbone.
- **6. Document (trade-offs + team map + NFR coverage)**: an **architecture doc** stating decisions + trade-offs (e.g., BFF vs direct; DDD scope; monorepo vs multi-repo), the **team↔module topology**, and **how each NFR is met** (RBAC→auth service + server; audit→audit service; i18n→l10n setup; multi-tenant→theming/config; reliability→monitoring/SLOs). ADRs record key choices.
- **The synthesis (the whole point)**: enterprise architecture = **deliberate composition + governance + right-sizing of the entire handbook** for the domain's dominating requirements — structure + cross-cutting + integrations + practices + team topology, documented. **Not new patterns** — mastery of choosing, combining, and governing them.
- **Right-sizing (still)**: DDD in the complex core only; grow modularization from feature-first; enterprise rigor where the NFRs warrant — governed and documented, not maximal everywhere.

Memory Representation

Not runtime — a **documented architecture**: the package/module graph (feature packages + core/platform + contracts, team-mapped), the cross-cutting services, the integration boundaries (interfaces + ACLs), the practices (CI/CD/testing/monitoring/governance), and a decisions/ADR + NFR-coverage doc. A living blueprint evolving over the app's life.

Compiler Behavior

Enforced package boundaries (deps + exports), framework-free domain (testable), lints/standards, incremental builds (melos) — all compile/build-enforced. Integrations compile against interfaces (adapters swappable). Governance partly enforced by tooling.

Runtime Behavior

The app runs as one binary; DI composition root wires features + core + adapters at startup; RBAC gates UI (server enforces); i18n/theme resolve per locale/tenant; flags/config from remote; integrations (SSO/BFF/legacy) via adapters; monitoring reports health. Organization affects build/team/evolution; runtime = the composed system.

Flutter Engine / Dart VM Behavior

Standard (per prior modules); modular packages enable incremental compilation; SSO may use platform webviews/deep links. Not internals-specific to the capstone.

Examples

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Enterprise architecture (multi-tenant B2B) — the composed whole:
  NFRs: security/compliance/audit | RBAC per role | SSO | i18n | white-label | multi-backend |
reliability/SLOs | multi-team/long-lived

  STRUCTURE (modular monorepo, team-aligned):
    apps/app (composition root)
    packages/core (design system, config/flags, i18n, logging/monitoring facades)
    packages/platform_auth (SSO + RBAC), platform_network (BFF + ACLs), contracts
    packages/feature_orders (DDD core), feature_billing, feature_admin  (Clean + MVVM inside)
    CODEOWNERS: team-commerce->orders, team-billing->billing, platform-team->core/platform

  CROSS-CUTTING (in core, used everywhere): SSO+RBAC (server-enforced) | audit | i18n/l10n | white-label
theming | feature flags + env config
  INTEGRATIONS (interface+ACL, platform pkgs): SSO(OIDC/SAML)->AuthService | multi-backend->BFF | legacy-
>adapter (+strangler-fig) | third-party->interfaces
  PRACTICES: CI/CD (melos --since, signed, staged) | testing pyramid (CI-gated) | monitoring (crash-free +
SLOs) | governance (standards/lints/ADRs/reviews)

  DOCUMENT: trade-offs (BFF vs direct; DDD scope; monorepo) + team topology + NFR coverage
(RBAC/audit/i18n/tenant/reliability) + ADRs
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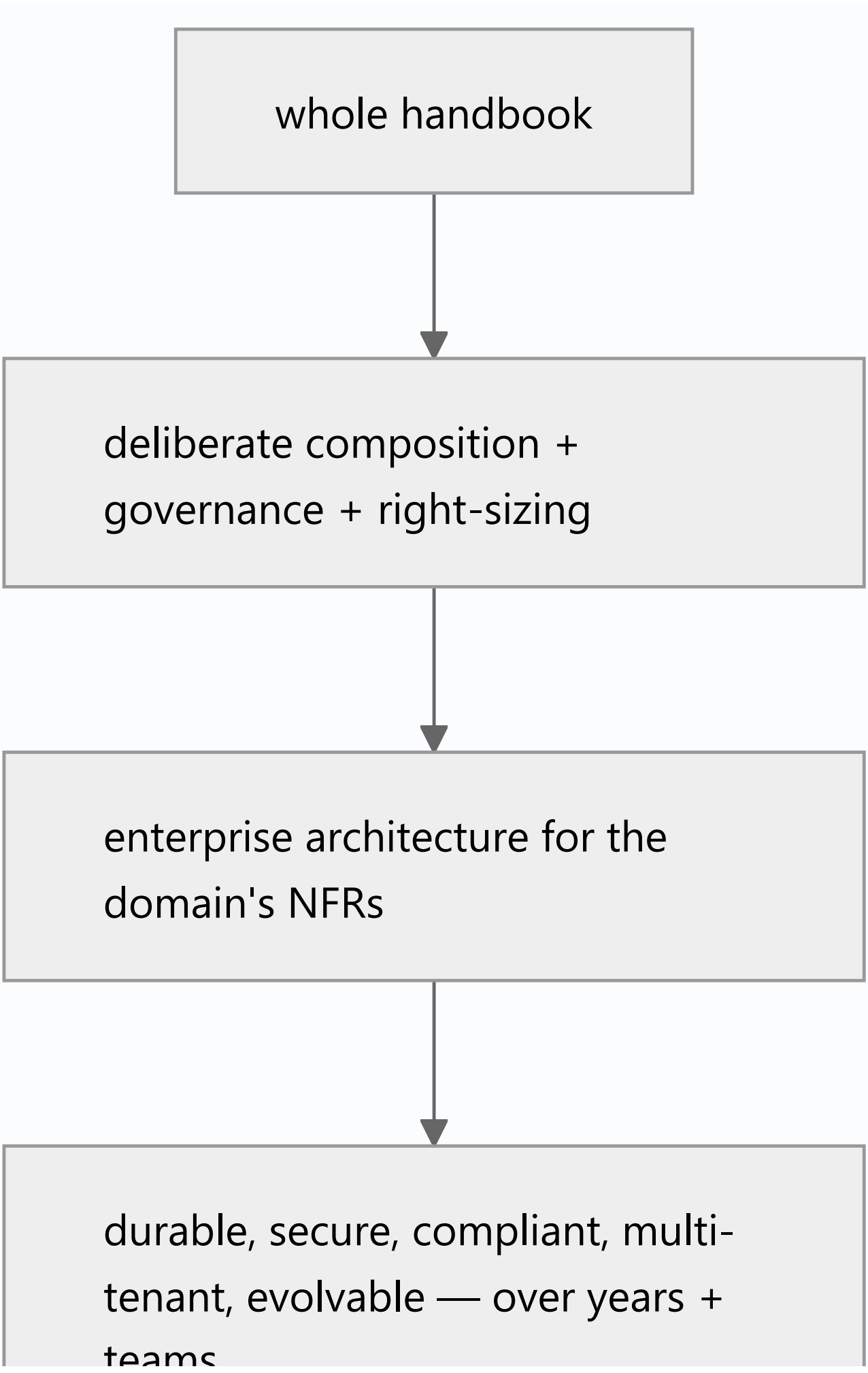
Diagrams


whole handbook
deliberate composition + governance + right-sizing
enterprise architecture for the domain's NFRs
durable, secure, compliant, multi-tenant, evolvable — over years + teams

teams

Common Mistakes

Mistake	Why it's a problem	Fix
Not deriving from NFRs	Wrong/over-built architecture	Let dominating NFRs drive decisions
Consumer-app structure	Collapses under teams/years	Modular monorepo + feature-first + governance
Cross-cutting concerns bolted on	Expensive retrofit/gaps	Bake into core early (RBAC/audit/i18n/theming/flags)
External models leak into domain	Coupling to systems you don't control	Interface + ACL/adapter per integration
No testing/monitoring/CI-CD	Unreliable, un-evolvable	Pyramid + monitoring/SLOs + CI/CD
No governance / team↔module mapping	Incoherence/collisions	Standards/ADRs/ownership + Conway alignment
DDD/full modularization everywhere	Over-engineering	DDD in core; grow modularization; right-size
Undocumented decisions	Knowledge loss over years	Architecture doc + ADRs + NFR coverage

Best Practices

- **Derive the architecture from the dominating NFRs**; compose **structure** (modular monorepo + feature-first + Clean + DDD-core + MVVM, team-aligned) + **cross-cutting concerns in core** (SSO+RBAC, audit, i18n, white-label, flags/env) + **integrations behind interfaces+ACL** (SSO/BFF/legacy) + **practices** (CI/CD, testing pyramid, monitoring/SLOs, governance).
- **Bake cross-cutting concerns in early** and **enforce RBAC/audit server-side**; **isolate integrations** so the domain stays clean + swappable; **align modules to team topology** with ownership + governance.
- **Document** the architecture: decisions + **trade-offs**, **team↔module map**, **NFR coverage**, and **ADRs** — a living blueprint for years/teams.
- **Right-size**: DDD in the complex core, grow modularization from feature-first, enterprise rigor where NFRs warrant — it's **composition + governance + judgment**, not maximal everything.

Performance

Not runtime — the payoff is **long-term organizational + system health**: many teams evolving a coherent, secure, compliant, multi-tenant app over years, with incremental builds, fast CI, safe releases, and observability. BFF reduces round-trips; monitoring/SLOs sustain reliability. Right-sizing avoids over-engineering cost.

Advantages / Disadvantages

- **+** A durable, secure, compliant, multi-tenant, evolvable, team-scalable enterprise app; NFRs met; integrations clean; documented + governed; composition of proven patterns.
- **−** Substantial upfront + ongoing investment (structure/cross-cutting/integrations/practices/governance/docs); discipline required; over-engineering risk if NFRs don't warrant it.

Interview Questions

1. 🟢 **How do you architect an enterprise Flutter app end-to-end?** — Derive from dominating NFRs, then compose: modular monorepo + feature-first + Clean + DDD-core + MVVM (team-aligned); cross-cutting concerns in core (SSO+RBAC/audit/i18n/white-label/flags/env); integrations behind interfaces+ACL (SSO/BFF/legacy); practices (CI/CD/testing/monitoring/governance); documented with trade-offs + NFR coverage.
2. 🟢 **What drives the architecture decisions?** — The dominating non-functional requirements (security/compliance/RBAC/i18n/multi-tenant/integration/reliability/longevity/multi-team) — not defaults or preferences.
3. 🟡 **Where do cross-cutting concerns and integrations live?** — Cross-cutting concerns in shared core/platform services (used consistently, RBAC/audit server-enforced); integrations behind interfaces + ACLs in platform packages (domain uninfected, swappable).
4. 🟡 **How do team topology and governance fit?** — Module boundaries align to teams (Conway's Law) with CODEOWNERS + contracts; governance (standards/lints/CI/ADRs/reviews) keeps a many-team codebase coherent over years.
5. 🟡 **What supporting practices are essential?** — CI/CD (incremental, signed, staged), the testing pyramid (CI-gated), monitoring (crash-free + SLOs), and governance — the quality/operability backbone.
6. 🔴 **Is enterprise architecture new patterns?** — No — it's the deliberate composition + governance + right-sizing of the whole handbook for the domain's requirements (DDD in the core only, grow modularization, rigor where warranted).
7. 🔴 **Why document trade-offs, team mapping, and NFR coverage?** — For a long-lived, multi-team system, the rationale + ownership + how-each-requirement-is-met must be captured (ADRs/architecture doc) or knowledge/coherence is lost over years.

Senior Engineer Tips

- Start from the NFRs and let them drive every choice; the enterprise anti-pattern is picking an architecture by habit and discovering the compliance/RBAC/i18n/integration requirements late and expensively.
- Compose + govern + document: the value you add as an architect is choosing which handbook patterns to combine, aligning them to teams, baking cross-cutting concerns in early, isolating integrations, and recording the trade-offs/NFR-coverage in ADRs — not inventing new patterns.
- Right-size relentlessly (DDD in the core, grow modularization, rigor where warranted); enterprise means governed rigor where the constraints justify it, not maximal complexity everywhere.

Architect Perspective

This capstone is the culmination of the enterprise module and much of the handbook: an enterprise architecture is the **deliberate composition + governance + right-sizing of the whole toolkit** — modular structure, cross-cutting concerns, integrations, and engineering practices — **driven by the domain's dominating NFRs and aligned to team topology, then documented**. It's where architecture becomes an act of **judgment and synthesis** rather than pattern application: choosing what to combine, where to be rigorous, how teams map to modules, and how each requirement is met — producing a durable, secure, compliant, evolvable system for years and teams (01_enterprise_fundamentals.md, Module 47, Module 48, Module 58).

Summary

- Enterprise architecture = derive from dominating NFRs, then compose structure (modular monorepo + feature-first + Clean + DDD-core + MVVM, team-aligned) + cross-cutting concerns in core (SSO+RBAC/audit/i18n/white-label/flags/env) + integrations behind interfaces+ACL (SSO/BFF/legacy) + practices (CI/CD/testing/monitoring/governance).
- Document trade-offs + team↔module topology + NFR coverage (ADRs); bake cross-cutting in early, enforce RBAC/audit server-side, isolate integrations, right-size (DDD in core, grow modularization).
- It's deliberate composition + governance + judgment of the whole handbook — not new patterns — yielding a durable, secure, compliant, evolvable, team-scalable app.

Revision Notes

- Derive from dominating NFRs → compose: STRUCTURE (modular monorepo + feature-first + Clean + DDD-core + MVVM, team-aligned/CODEOWNERS, cross-feature contracts+DI) + CROSS-CUTTING in core (SSO+RBAC server-enforced, audit, i18n/l10n, white-label theming,

feature flags + remote config + env/flavors) + INTEGRATIONS behind interfaces+ACL (SSO→AuthService, multi-backend→BFF, legacy→adapter+strangler-fig, third-party→interfaces) + PRACTICES (CI/CD melos-`--since`/signed/staged, testing pyramid CI-gated, monitoring crash-free+SLOs, governance standards/lints/ADRs/reviews).

- Document: trade-offs + team topology + NFR coverage + ADRs. Bake cross-cutting in early; isolate integrations; right-size (DDD in core, grow modularization, rigor where warranted). Enterprise = composition + governance + judgment of the whole handbook, not new patterns.

Practice Questions

1. Walk an enterprise architecture from NFRs to documented design.
2. How do structure, cross-cutting concerns, integrations, and practices compose?
3. Why document trade-offs, team mapping, and NFR coverage?

Coding Questions

1. Produce an enterprise architecture diagram + package/team map for a given app.
2. Show how one NFR (e.g., RBAC or multi-tenancy) is met across structure/cross-cutting/practices.
3. Write an ADR for a key decision (e.g., BFF vs direct backends).

Mini Project

Enterprise architecture doc (capstone — design): For a hypothetical enterprise app (e.g., a multi-tenant B2B tool), produce a documented architecture: dominating NFRs; modular-monorepo structure (feature packages + core/platform + contracts, team↔module CODEOWNERS mapping, feature-first + Clean + DDD-in-core + MVVM); cross-cutting concerns in core (SSO+RBAC server-enforced, audit, i18n, white-label theming, feature flags + env config); integrations behind interfaces+ACL (SSO, multi-backend via BFF, a legacy adapter + migration); supporting practices (CI/CD, testing pyramid, monitoring/SLOs, governance/ADRs); and a trade-offs + NFR-coverage section. Acceptance: derived from NFRs; full composition (structure + cross-cutting + integrations + practices, team-aligned); RBAC/audit server-side; integrations isolated (ACL); documented trade-offs + team map + NFR coverage + ≥1 ADR; right-sized (DDD in core, grow modularization); presented as a coherent, governed, evolvable blueprint.