

Module Design

Module Design Document

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Document History

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1. Module Overview & Responsibility

Module: {{MODULE_NAME}} **Layer:** Domain | Application | Infrastructure | Presentation **Repository:** {{REPO_OR_MONOREPO_PATH}} **Team Owner:** {{TEAM_NAME}}

Single Responsibility Statement:

“ {{THE_MODULE_IS_RESPONSIBLE_FOR_ONE_THING}}

This module owns:

- {{OWNED_RESOURCE_1}} (data + business logic)
- {{OWNED_RESOURCE_2}}

This module does NOT own:

- {{NOT_OWNED_1}} — owned by {{OTHER_MODULE}}

- {{NOT_OWNED_2}} — owned by {{OTHER_MODULE}}

Why this is a separate module: {{RATIONALE_FOR_SEPARATION}} — e.g., "Separate bounded context, different team ownership, different scaling requirements"

2. Interface Definition (Public API)

2.1 Exported Service Interface

```
// Public interface exported by this module
export interface I{{ModuleName}}Service {
  /**
   * {{METHOD_1_DESCRIPTION}}
   * @throws {ValidationError} if dto is invalid
   * @throws {ConflictError} if {{UNIQUE_FIELD}} already exists
   */
  create(dto: Create{{Entity}}Dto, context: RequestContext): Promise<{{Entity}}>;

  /**
   * {{METHOD_2_DESCRIPTION}}
   * @throws {NotFoundError} if not found
   */
  findById(id: string, context: RequestContext): Promise<{{Entity}}>;

  /**
   * {{METHOD_3_DESCRIPTION}}
   */
  findAll(filter: {{Filter}}Dto, context: RequestContext):
  Promise<PaginatedResult<{{Entity}}>>;

  /**
   * {{METHOD_4_DESCRIPTION}}
   * @throws {NotFoundError} if not found
   * @throws {ForbiddenError} if user lacks permission
   */
  update(id: string, dto: Update{{Entity}}Dto, context: RequestContext): Promise<{{Entity}}>;

  /**
```

```

* {{METHOD_5_DESCRIPTION}}
* @throws {NotFoundError} if not found
*/
delete(id: string, context: RequestContext): Promise<void>;
}

// DTOs exported for consumers
export type Create{{Entity}}Dto = { /* ... */ };
export type Update{{Entity}}Dto = { /* ... */ };
export type {{Filter}}Dto = { /* ... */ };
export type {{Entity}} = { /* ... */ };

```

2.2 HTTP Endpoints (if applicable)

Method	Path	Auth	Description
POST	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}	JWT	Create {{entity}}
GET	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}	JWT	List {{entities}}
GET	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}/:id	JWT	Get by ID
PUT	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}/:id	JWT	Full update
PATCH	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}/:id	JWT	Partial update
DELETE	/api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}/:id	JWT	Soft delete

2.3 Events Published

Event	Topic/Queue	Schema	Triggered By
{{entity}}.created	{{TOPIC}}	See §5	POST endpoint
{{entity}}.updated	{{TOPIC}}	See §5	PUT/PATCH endpoint
{{entity}}.deleted	{{TOPIC}}	See §5	DELETE endpoint
{{entity}}.{{CUSTOM_EVENT}}	{{TOPIC}}	See §5	{{BUSINESS_TRIGGER}}

3. Internal Structure

```

{{MODULE_NAME}}/
├─ controllers/
|   └─ {{entity}}.controller.ts      # HTTP request handling, input parsing
├─ services/
|   └─ {{entity}}.service.ts        # Business logic
├─ repositories/
|   ├─ {{entity}}.repository.ts     # Data access interface
|   └─ {{entity}}.repository.pg.ts  # PostgreSQL implementation
├─ domain/
|   ├─ {{entity}}.entity.ts        # Domain entity / value objects
|   ├─ {{entity}}.events.ts        # Domain events
|   └─ {{entity}}.errors.ts        # Domain-specific errors
├─ dto/
|   ├─ create-{{entity}}.dto.ts
|   ├─ update-{{entity}}.dto.ts
|   └─ {{entity}}-filter.dto.ts
├─ mappers/
|   └─ {{entity}}.mapper.ts         # DB record ↔ domain entity ↔ DTO
├─ __tests__/
|   ├─ unit/
|   └─ integration/
└─ {{entity}}.module.ts            # Module registration / DI wiring

```

Layer rules (enforced by linting):

- Controllers only call Services (never Repositories directly)
- Services only call Repositories and publish Events
- Domain entities have no framework dependencies
- Mappers live at service layer — not in controllers

4. Database Schema

Primary Table: `{{table_name}}`

Column	Type	Nullable	Default	Constraints	Description
<code>id</code>	<code>UUID</code>	NO	<code>gen_random_uuid()</code>	PK	Surrogate key
<code>created_at</code>	<code>TIMESTAMPZ</code>	NO	<code>NOW()</code>		Immutable creation time

Column	Type	Nullable	Default	Constraints	Description
updated_at	TIMESTAMPTZ	NO	NOW()		Auto-updated on write
deleted_at	TIMESTAMPTZ	YES	NULL		Soft delete marker
version	INTEGER	NO	1		Optimistic lock version
{{FIELD_1}}	{{TYPE}}	{{YES/NO}}	{{DEFAULT}}	{{CHECK/UNIQUE/FK}}	{{DESCRIPTION}}
{{FIELD_2}}	{{TYPE}}	{{YES/NO}}	{{DEFAULT}}	{{CHECK/UNIQUE/FK}}	{{DESCRIPTION}}
{{FK_ID}}	UUID	NO		FK → {{other_table}}(id)	{{RELATIONSHIP}}

Indexes:

```
CREATE INDEX CONCURRENTLY idx_{{table_name}}_{{column}} ON {{table_name}}({{column}})
    WHERE deleted_at IS NULL;
-- Rationale: {{WHY_THIS_INDEX}}

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX idx_{{table_name}}_{{unique_column}} ON {{table_name}}({{unique_column}})
    WHERE deleted_at IS NULL;
-- Rationale: Enforce uniqueness for active records only
```

RLS (Row-Level Security):

```
-- TODO: Enable if multi-tenant
-- ALTER TABLE {{table_name}} ENABLE ROW LEVEL SECURITY;
-- CREATE POLICY {{table_name}}_tenant_isolation ON {{table_name}}
--     USING (tenant_id = current_setting('app.current_tenant_id')::uuid);
```

5. API Endpoints (Detailed)

POST /api/v{{V}}/{{resource}}

Request:

```
{
  "{{field1}}": "string (required, max 255 chars)",
  "{{field2}}": "number (required, > 0)",
  "{{field3}}": "string (optional, enum: [A, B, C])"
}
```

Success 201:

```
{
  "id": "uuid",
  "{{field1}}": "value",
  "{{field2}}": 0,
  "createdAt": "ISO8601"
}
```

Event published: {{entity}}.created

```
{
  "specversion": "1.0",
  "type": "{{entity}}.created",
  "source": "/{{resource}}",
  "id": "{{EVENT_UUID}}",
  "time": "ISO8601",
  "data": {
    "entityId": "uuid",
    "tenantId": "uuid",
    "createdBy": "uuid",
    "{{field1}}": "value"
  }
}
```

6. Business Logic Specifications

6.1 Business Rules

Rule ID	Rule	Enforced In	Error
BR-001	{{RULE_1_DESCRIPTION}}	Service	{{ERROR_CODE}}

Rule ID	Rule	Enforced In	Error
BR-002	{{RULE_2_DESCRIPTION}}	Domain Entity	{{ERROR_CODE}}
BR-003	{{RULE_3_DESCRIPTION}}	Service + DB constraint	ConflictError

6.2 Validation Rules

Field	Type	Required	Validation	Error Message
{{field1}}	string	Yes	Min 1, Max 255 chars	"{{field1}} must be 1-255 characters"
{{field2}}	number	Yes	Positive integer	"{{field2}} must be a positive integer"
{{field3}}	enum	No	One of: [A, B, C]	"{{field3}} must be A, B, or C"

6.3 Authorization Rules

Operation	Required Role	Additional Conditions
Create	{{ROLE}}	—
Read own	Any authenticated user	userId === resource.createdBy
Read any	{{ADMIN_ROLE}}	—
Update	{{ROLE}}	userId === resource.createdBy OR isAdmin
Delete	{{ADMIN_ROLE}}	Soft delete only
Hard delete	SUPER_ADMIN	Requires 2FA confirmation

7. Event Publishing / Consuming

7.1 Events Published

Event	When	Payload Schema	Idempotency Key
{{entity}}.created	After successful create	{entityId, tenantId, ...}	entityId
{{entity}}.updated	After successful update	{entityId, changes: {...}}	entityId + version
{{entity}}.deleted	After soft delete	{entityId, deletedAt}	entityId

7.2 Events Consumed

Event	Source Module	Handler	Processing Guarantee
{{other_entity}}.deleted	{{OTHER_MODULE}}	Cascade soft-delete related records	At-least-once
{{other_entity}}.updated	{{OTHER_MODULE}}	Update denormalized cache	At-least-once

Idempotency strategy: All consumers check `processed_events` table before processing. Duplicate events are logged and skipped.

8. Dependencies

8.1 Upstream (what this module depends on)

Dependency	Type	Coupling	Reason
AuthModule	Internal module	Loose (interface)	JWT validation, user context
{{OTHER_MODULE}}	Internal module	Loose (events)	{{REASON}}
PostgreSQL	Infrastructure	Required	Primary storage
Redis	Infrastructure	Optional	Caching (degrades gracefully)
{{EXTERNAL_SDK}}	External library	Hard	{{REASON}}

8.2 Downstream (what depends on this module)

Consumer	What they use	Notes
{{OTHER_MODULE}}	{{entity}}.created events	Read-only consumer
{{FRONTEND}}	HTTP API	Via API gateway

9. Error Handling & Recovery

Error Scenario	Handling	User Impact	Recovery
DB connection lost	Retry 3x with backoff, then 503	Request fails gracefully	Auto-recover when DB reconnects
External API timeout	Return cached data or 503	Degraded feature	Async retry, alert on-call

Error Scenario	Handling	User Impact	Recovery
Duplicate submission	Detect via unique constraint, return 409	Clear error message	None needed
Invalid state transition	Return 422 with state machine error	Clear error message	User corrects input
Event publish failure	Log to retry queue, return 202	Async delay	Background retry

10. Configuration & Feature Flags

Environment Variables

Variable	Type	Default	Description
{{MODULE_NAME}}_CACHE_TTL	number	300	Cache TTL seconds
{{MODULE_NAME}}_MAX_LIST_SIZE	number	100	Max items per page
{{MODULE_NAME}}_RATE_LIMIT_RPM	number	60	Rate limit per minute

Feature Flags

Flag	Type	Default	Description
{{MODULE_NAME}}_ENABLE_CACHE	boolean	true	Toggle Redis caching
{{MODULE_NAME}}_ENABLE_{{FEATURE}}	boolean	false	Gradual rollout of {{FEATURE}}

11. Monitoring & Health Checks

Health Check Endpoint

GET /health/{{module-name}}

```
{
  "status": "healthy | degraded | unhealthy",
```

```
"checks": {
  "database": "healthy",
  "cache": "healthy | degraded",
  "externalApi": "healthy | degraded | unhealthy"
},
"latency": {
  "database_ms": 5,
  "cache_ms": 1
}
}
```

Key Metrics

Metric	Type	Alert Threshold	Dashboard
{{module}}_requests_total	Counter	—	{{DASHBOARD_LINK}}
{{module}}_request_duration_ms	Histogram	p99 > {{THRESHOLD}}ms	{{DASHBOARD_LINK}}
{{module}}_errors_total	Counter	Error rate > {{THRESHOLD}}%	{{DASHBOARD_LINK}}
{{module}}_cache_hit_rate	Gauge	< {{THRESHOLD}}% for 5min	{{DASHBOARD_LINK}}
{{module}}_db_pool_exhausted	Counter	Any occurrence	{{DASHBOARD_LINK}}

12. Primary Flow — Sequence Diagram

```
sequenceDiagram
    autonumber
    participant C as Controller
    participant S as Service
    participant V as Validator
    participant R as Repository
    participant DB as PostgreSQL
    participant EB as Event Bus
    participant Cache as Redis

    C->>V: validate(dto)
    alt Invalid input
```

```
V-->C: ValidationError
C-->Client: 400 Bad Request
end
V-->C: Validated DTO

C->S: create(dto, context)
S->S: checkBusinessRules(dto)
alt Business rule violation
    S-->C: BusinessRuleError
    C-->Client: 422 Unprocessable
end

S->>DB: BEGIN TRANSACTION
S->>R: create(entityData)
R->>DB: INSERT INTO {{table_name}}
DB-->R: Inserted record
R-->S: {{Entity}} domain object

S->>DB: COMMIT

S->>EB: publish("{{entity}}.created", event)
Note over EB: Async – does not block response

S->>Cache: INVALIDATE related keys
S-->C: {{Entity}} DTO
C-->Client: 201 Created
```

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