



# Cracking the Code to Secure Software

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# Secure by Design

*Secure by Design is a new approach to software security that lets you create secure software while still focusing on business features.*



# Secure by Design

*“Any activity involving **active decision making** should be considered part of the software design process and can thus be referred to as **design**.”*

*- Johnsson, Deogun, and Sawano*



# Key Takeaway

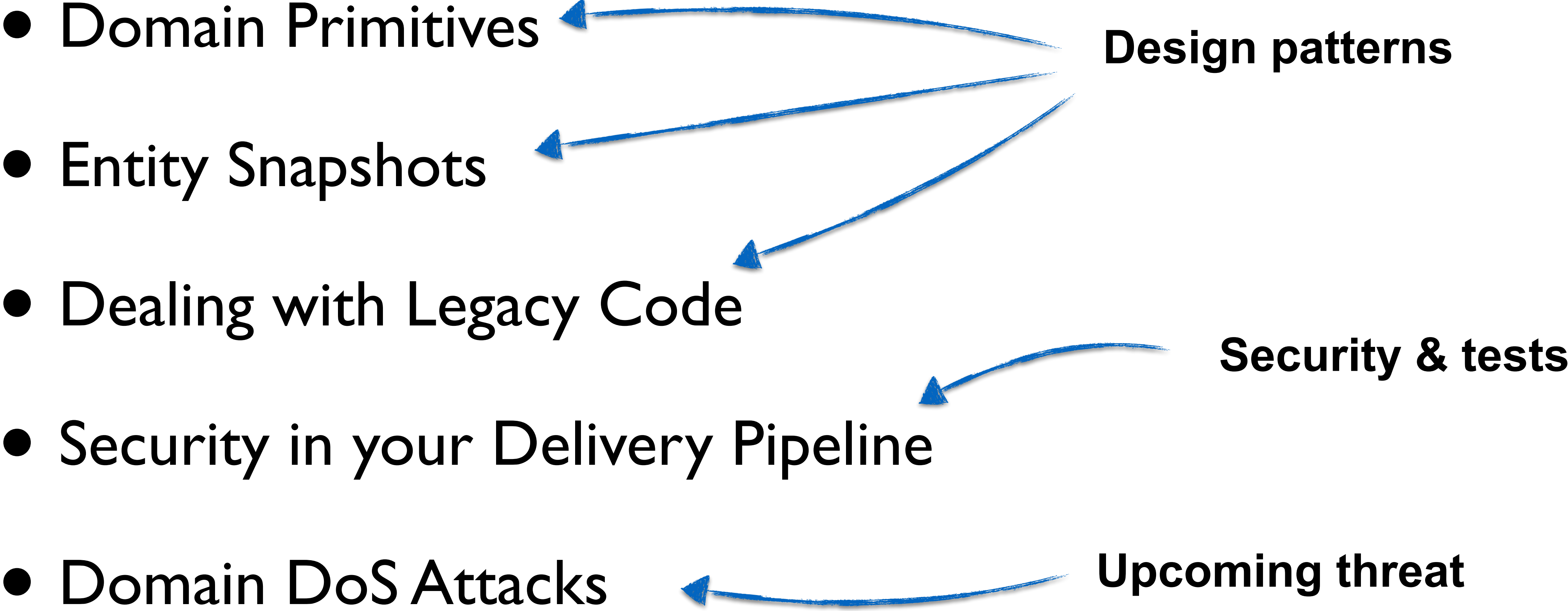
*By focusing on good design principles you can create secure software without constantly thinking about security.*







# What we'll cover today...



# Domain Primitives

*A value object so precise in its definition that it, by its mere existence, manifests its validity is called a **domain primitive**.*



# Domain Primitives

- A Domain Primitive is very strict in its definition
- If it's not valid then it cannot exist
- Defined in the current domain
- It's preciseness brings robustness in your code
- It's immutable so it will always be valid





# Domain Primitives

```
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.inclusiveBetween;
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.notNull;

public final class Quantity {
    private final int value;

    public Quantity(final int value) {
        inclusiveBetween(1, 200, value);
        this.value = value;
    }

    public int value() {
        return value;
    }

    public Quantity add(final Quantity addend) {
        notNull(addend);
        return new Quantity(value + addend.value);
    }

    // ...
}
```

Quantity is not just an int!

- Enforces invariants at creation
- Provides domain operations to
- Encapsulate domain behavior



# CIA

- **Confidentiality** - protecting data from being read by unauthorized users
- **Integrity** - ensures data is changed in an authorized way
- **Availability** - concerns having data available when authorized users need it



Not this



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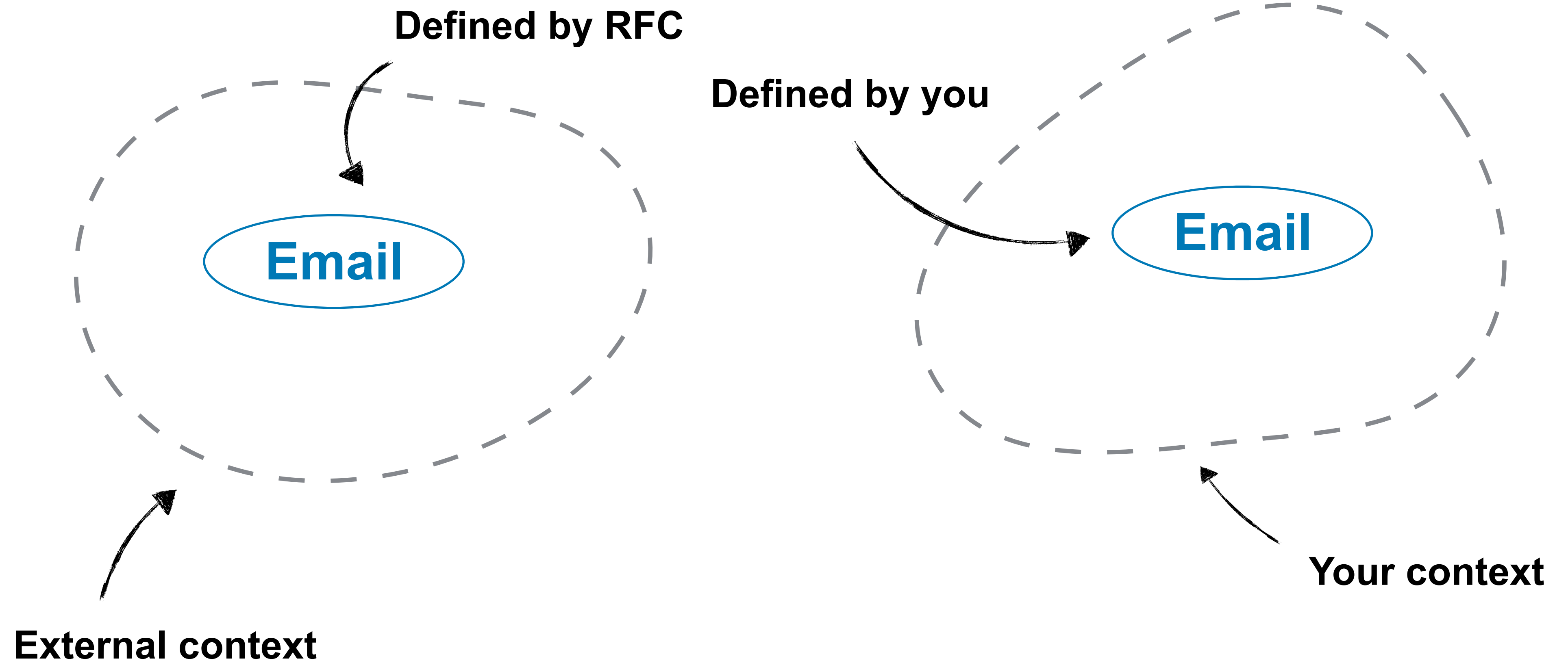
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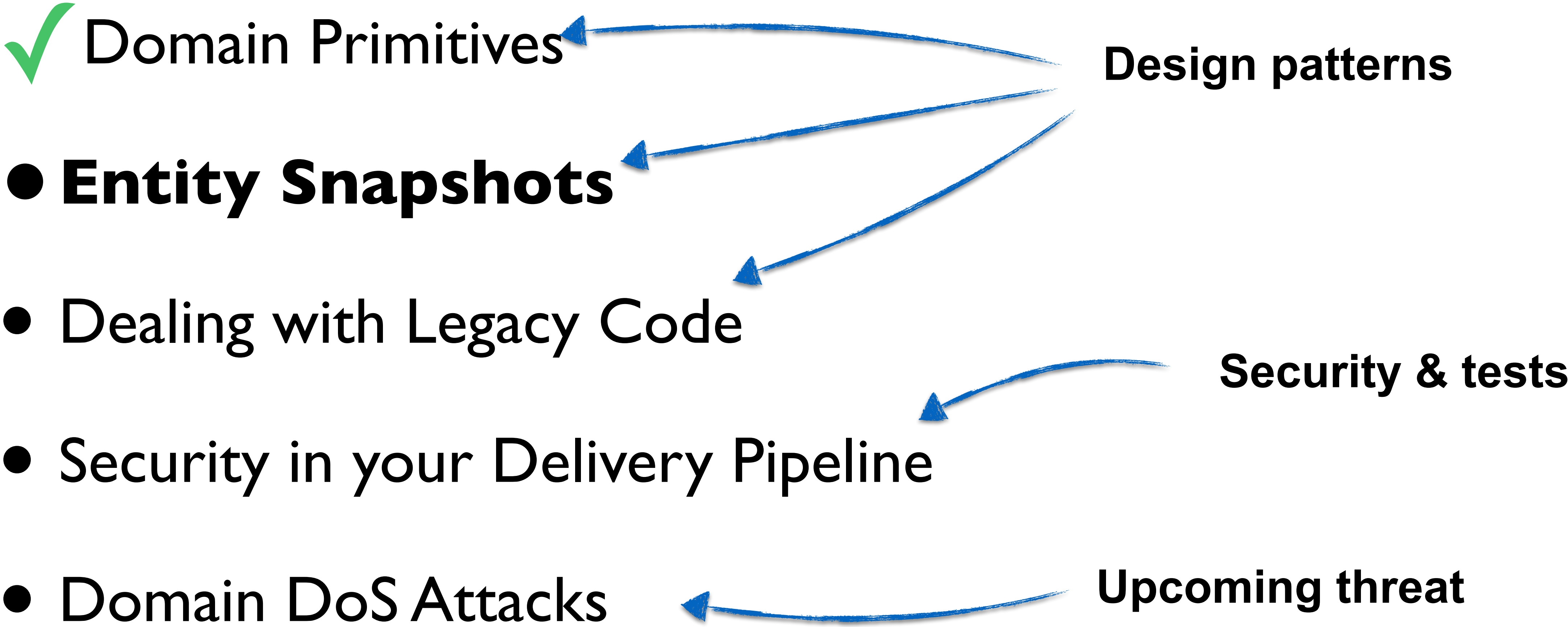
Use Domain Primitives as:

- the smallest building block in your domain model
- to build your Domain Primitive Library
- to harden your code and your APIs





# What we'll cover today...



# Entities

- An entity has an identity that doesn't change over time
- The values/data belonging to an entity can change over time
- Typically modeled as mutable objects

# Classic Entity

```
public final class Order {  
  
    private final OrderId id;  
    private final List<OrderItem> orderItems = new ArrayList<>();  
  
    public Order(final OrderId id) {  
        this.id = notNull(id);  
    }  
  
    public void addItem(final OrderItem item) {  
        notNull(item);  
        orderItems.add(item);  
    }  
  
    // ...  
}
```



# Entity Snapshots

Entity Snapshots are:

- Securing mutable state by making it immutable
- An immutable representation of a mutable entity
- Solves many of the security problems with regular entities



# Entity Snapshots

```
public final class Order {  
  
    private final OrderId id;  
    private final List<OrderItem> orderItems;  
  
    public Order(final OrderId id, final List<OrderItem> orderItems) {  
        assertNotNull(orderItems);  
        notNull(id);  
        this.id = id;  
        this.orderItems = unmodifiableList(new ArrayList<>(orderItems));  
    }  
  
    public List<OrderItem> orderItems() {  
        return orderItems;  
    }  
  
    // ...  
}
```





# Entity Snapshots

```
public final class WritableOrder {

    private final OrderId id;
    private final OrderRepository repository;

    public WritableOrder(final OrderId id, final OrderRepository repository) {
        this.id = notNull(id);
        this.repository = notNull(repository);
    }

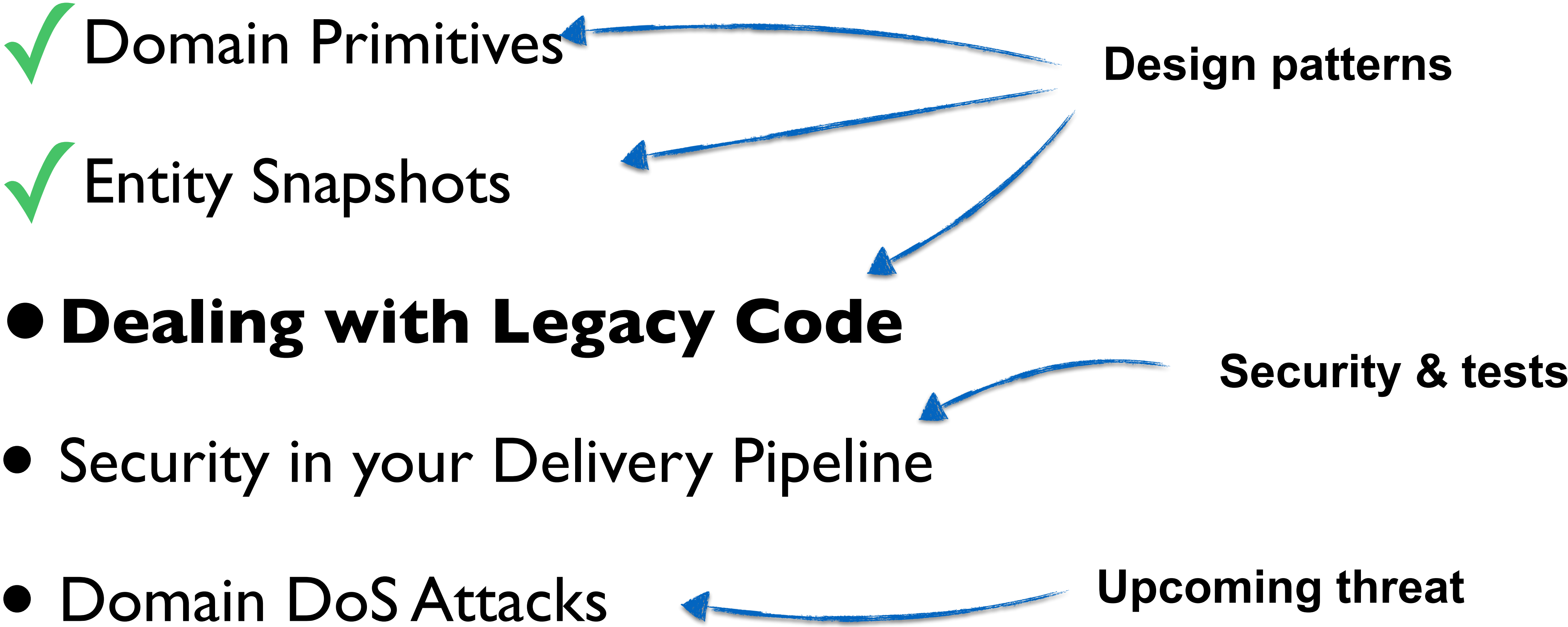
    public void addOrderItem(final OrderItem orderItem) {
        notNull(orderItem);
        isOkToAdd(orderItem);
        repository.addItemToOrder(id, orderItem);
    }

    private void isOkToAdd(final OrderItem orderItem) {
        // domain validation logic to ensure it's ok to add order
    }
}
```





# What we'll cover today...





# Dealing with Legacy Code

3 good design patterns



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Draw the Line



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Harden your APIs



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Declutter Entities



# Draw the Line

- We need to identify the semantic boundary of a context
- Add a layer that internally translates data to a domain primitive and then back again

data -> domain primitive -> data

- This way, we have created a validation boundary that protects the inside from bad input
- But, if rejecting data is too harsh, consider logging it for insight



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# Harden the API

- Create a library of domain primitives
- Express your APIs with your domain primitives
- Never accept generic input if you have specific requirements



Generic

```
void buyBook(String, int)
```



Specific

```
void buyBook(ISBN, Quantity)
```



# Decluttering Entities

```
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.notNull;
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.isTrue;
public class Order {

    private final List<Object> items;
    private boolean paid;

    public void addItem(String isbn, int qty) {
        if (this.paid == false) {
            notNull(isbn);
            isTrue(isbn.length() == 10);
            isTrue(isbn.matches("[0-9X]*"));
            isTrue(isbn.matches("[0-9]{9}[0-9X]"));
            if (inventory.avaliableBooks(isbn, qty)) {
                Book book = bookcatalogue.findBy(isbn);
                items.add(new OrderLine(book, qty));
            }
        }
    }
}
```



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# Decluttering Entities

```
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.notNull;
import static org.apache.commons.lang3.Validate.isTrue;
public class Order {

    private final List<Object> items;
    private boolean paid;

    public void addItem(final ISBN isbn,
                        final Quantity quantity) {
        notNull(isbn);
        notNull(quantity);
        isTrue(notPaid());

        if (inventory.availableBooks(isbn, quantity)) {
            Book book = bookcatalogue.findBy(isbn);
            items.add(new OrderLine(book, quantity));
        }
    }
}
```

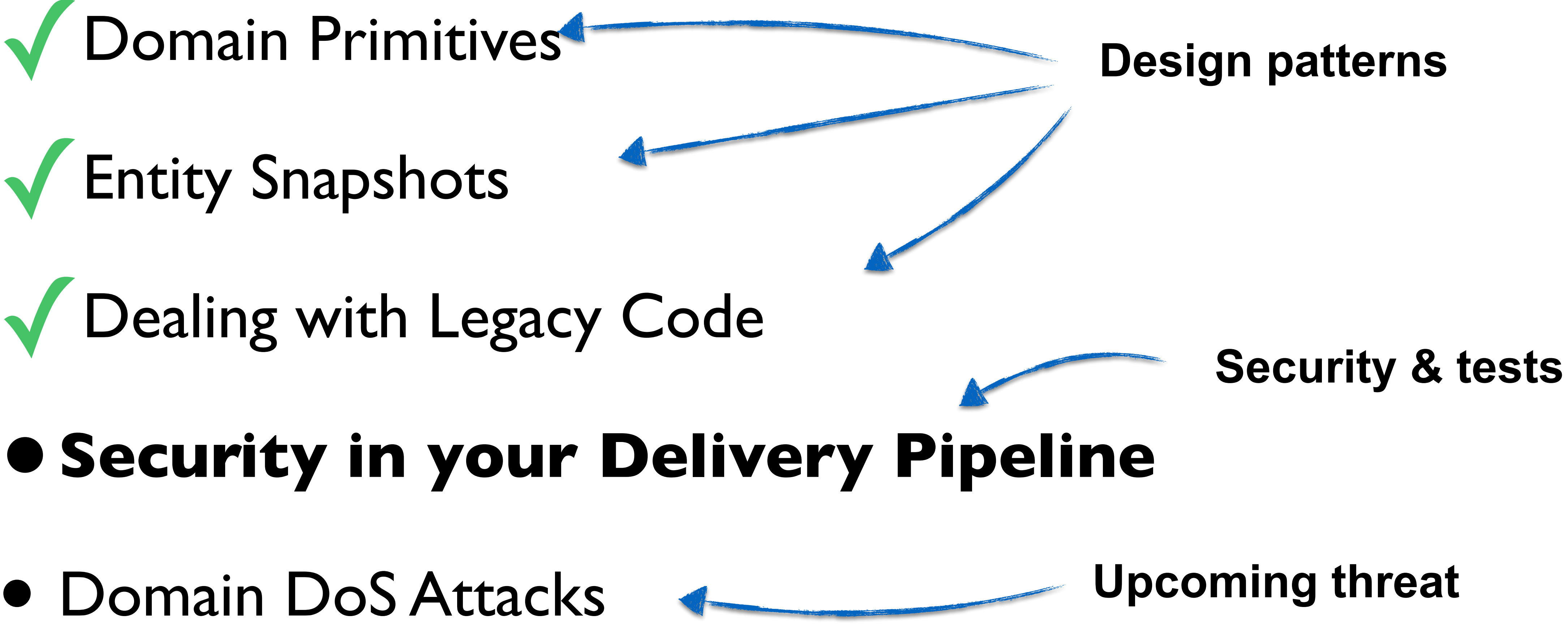


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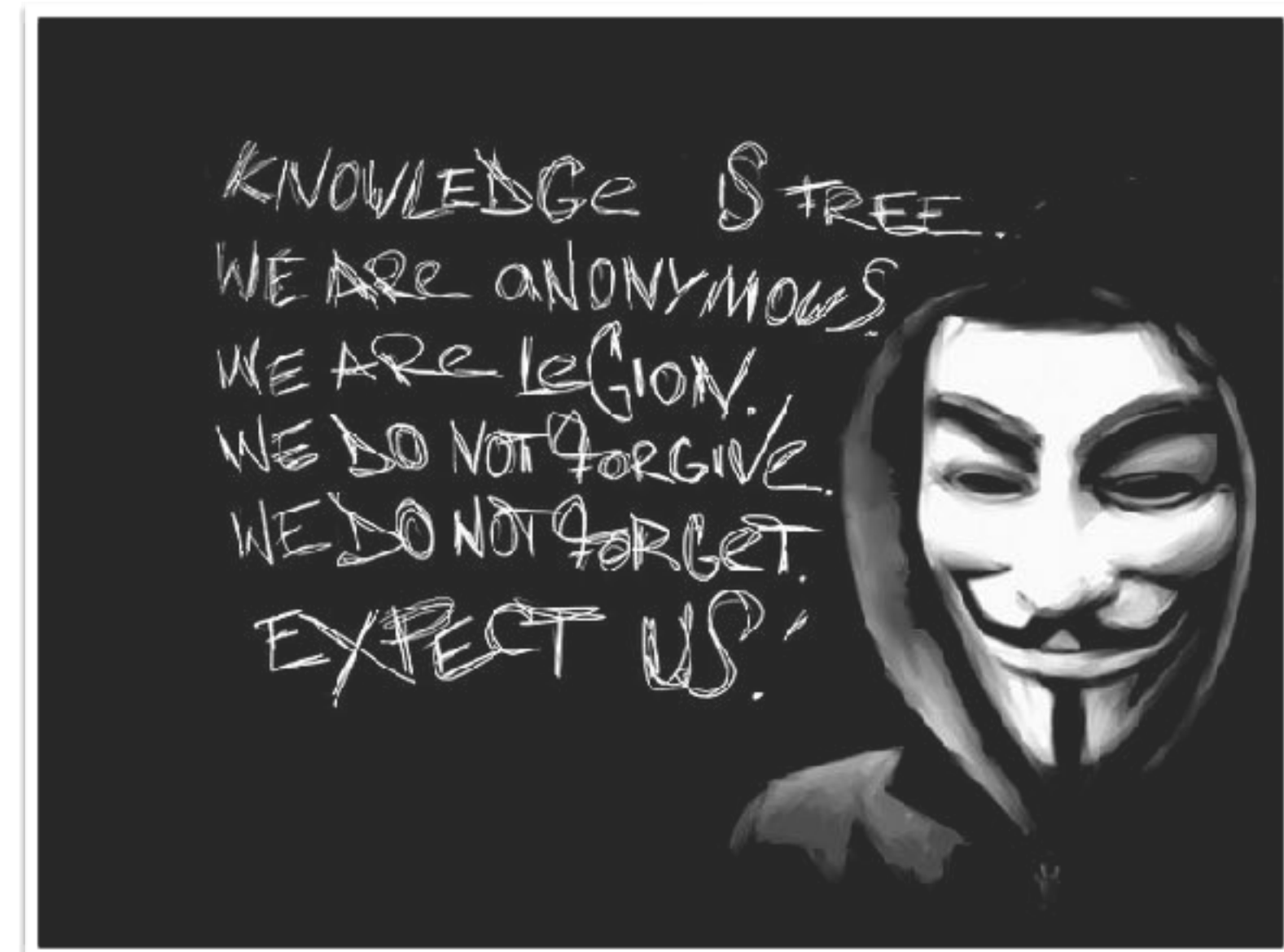


# Security in your Delivery Pipeline

- Unit Testing



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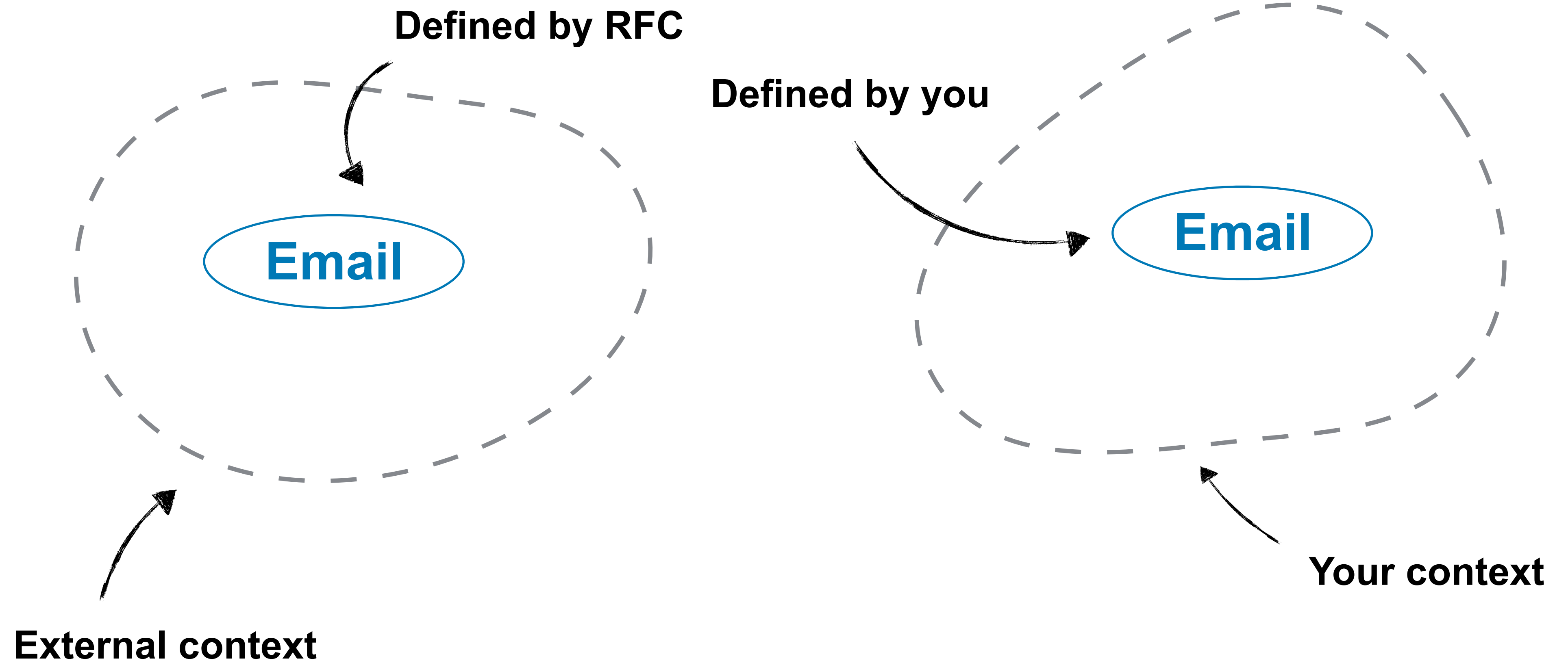
# The Hospital Case



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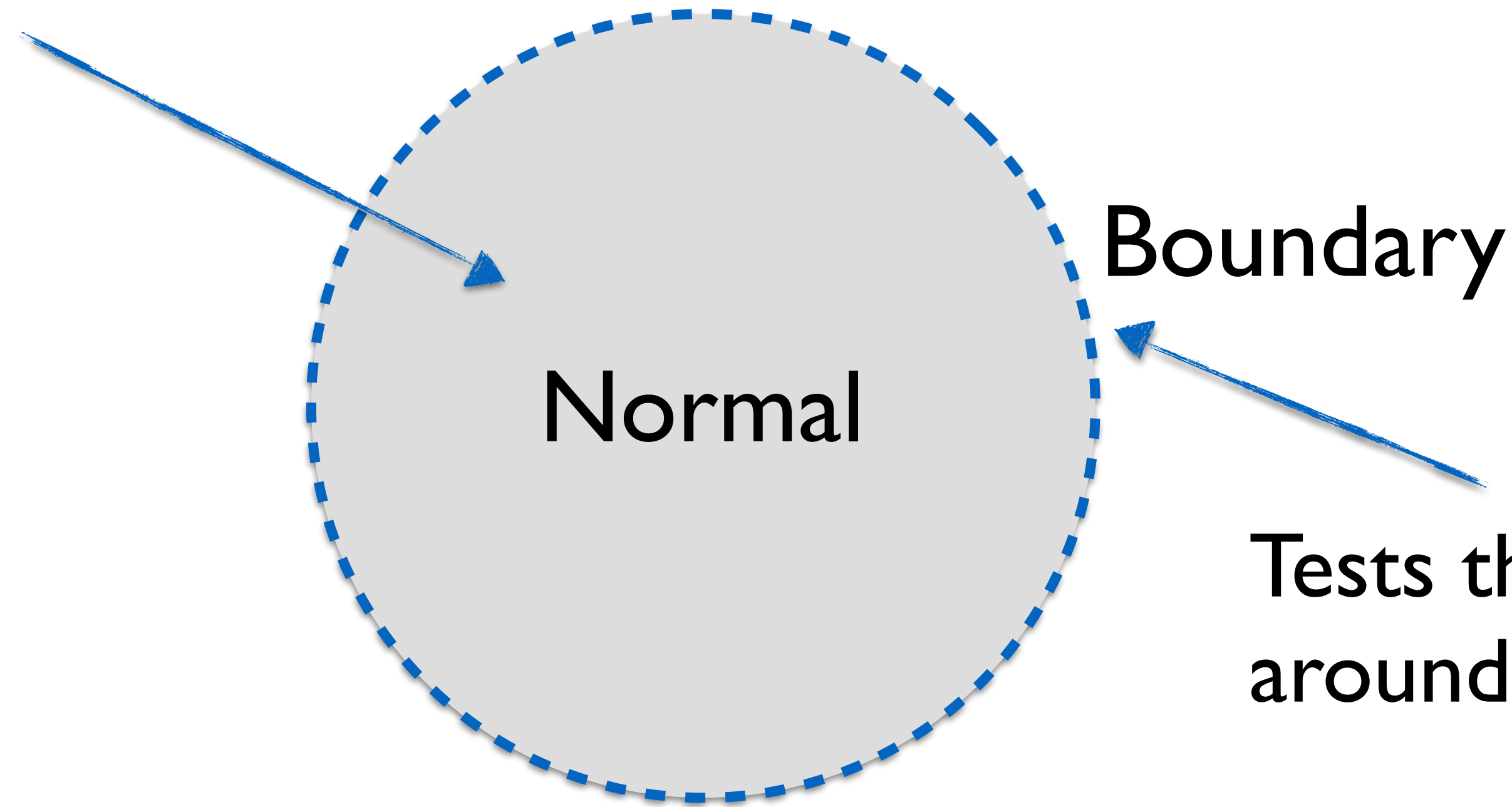
# Email Domain Primitive





# Normal & Boundary Testing

Tests with input that clearly meets the domain rules



Tests that verify behavior around the boundary

# Email Address v1.0

```
public final class EmailAddress {  
  
    public final String value;  
  
    public EmailAddress(final String value) {  
        matchesPattern(value.toLowerCase(),  
            "^(?=[a-z0-9.@]{15,77}$)[a-z0-9]+\\.?[a-z0-9]+@\\bhospital\\.com$");  
  
        this.value = value.toLowerCase();  
    }  
    ...  
}
```





# Invalid Input Testing

- Any input that doesn't satisfy the domain rules is considered invalid
- For some reason, `null`, empty strings, or "strange" characters tend to result in unexpected behavior





# Testing with invalid input

```
@TestFactory
Stream<DynamicTest> should_reject_invalid_input() {
    return Stream.of(
        null,
        "null",
        "nil",
        "0",
        "",
        " ",
        "\t",
        "\n",
        "john.doe\n@hospital.com",
        " @hospital.com",
        "%20@hospital.com",
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        "john.doe.jane@hospital.com",
        "--",
        "e x a m p l e @ h o s p i t a l . c o m",
        "=0@$*^%;<!-->.:\\( )&#\\""
    ).map(input -> dynamicTest("Rejected: " + input, assertInvalidEmail(input)));
}
```

# Email Address v2.0

```
public final class EmailAddress {  
  
    public final String value;  
  
    public EmailAddress(final String value) {  
        NotNull(value, "Input cannot be null");  
        matchesPattern(value.toLowerCase(),  
            "^(?=[a-z0-9.@]{15,77}$)[a-z0-9]+\\.?[a-z0-9]+@\\bhospital.com$");  
  
        this.value = value.toLowerCase();  
    }  
    ...  
}
```



# Testing with Extreme Input

- Testing the extreme is all about identifying weaknesses in the design that makes the application break or behave strangely when handling extreme values.

```
@TestFactory
Stream<DynamicTest> should_reject_extreme_input() {
    return Stream.<Supplier<String>>of(
        () -> repeat("x", 10000),
        () -> repeat("x", 100000),
        () -> repeat("x", 1000000),
        () -> repeat("x", 10000000),
        () -> repeat("x", 20000000),
        () -> repeat("x", 40000000))
        .map(input -> dynamicTest("Rejecting extreme input",
            assertInvalidEmail(input.get())));
}
```



# Inefficient Backtracking

```
"^(?=[a-z0-9.@]{15,77}$)[a-z0-9]+\.[a-z0-9]+@[a-z0-9]+\bhospital.com$"
```

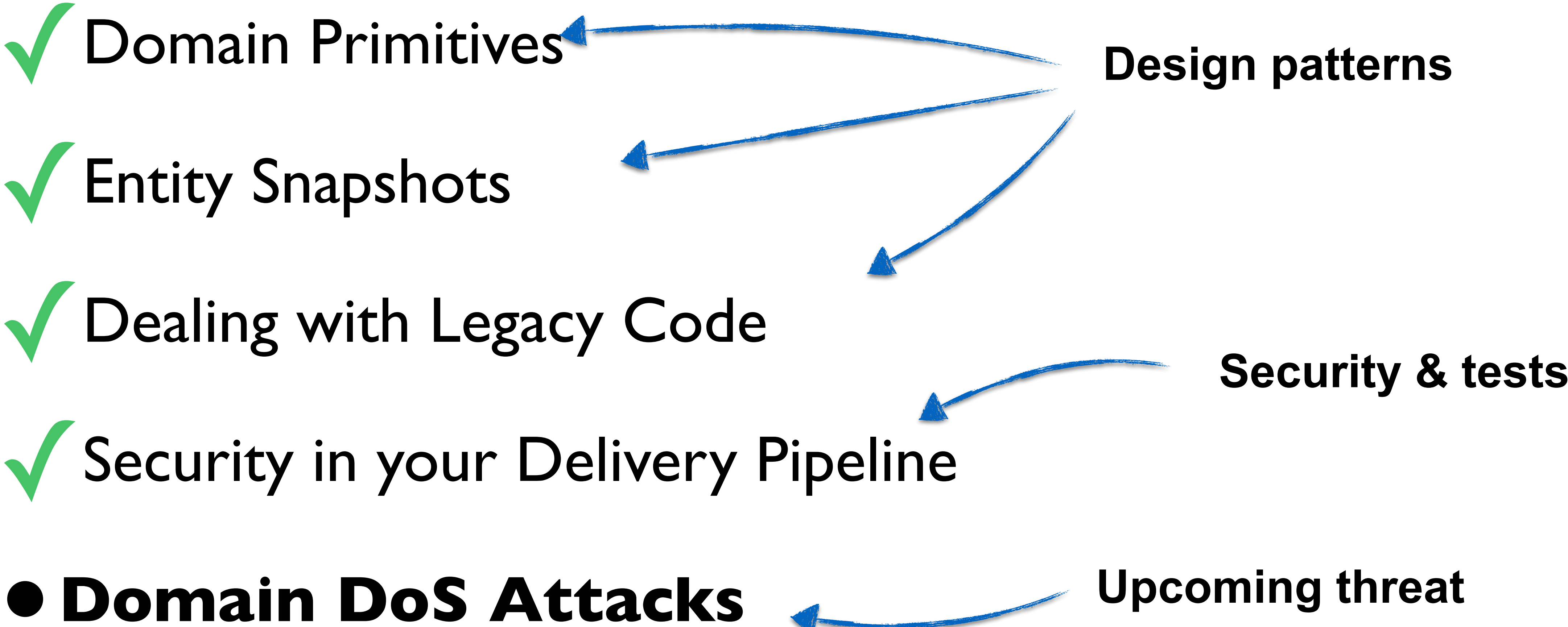
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```
"^[a-z0-9]+\.[a-z0-9]+@[a-z0-9]+\bhospital.com$"
```



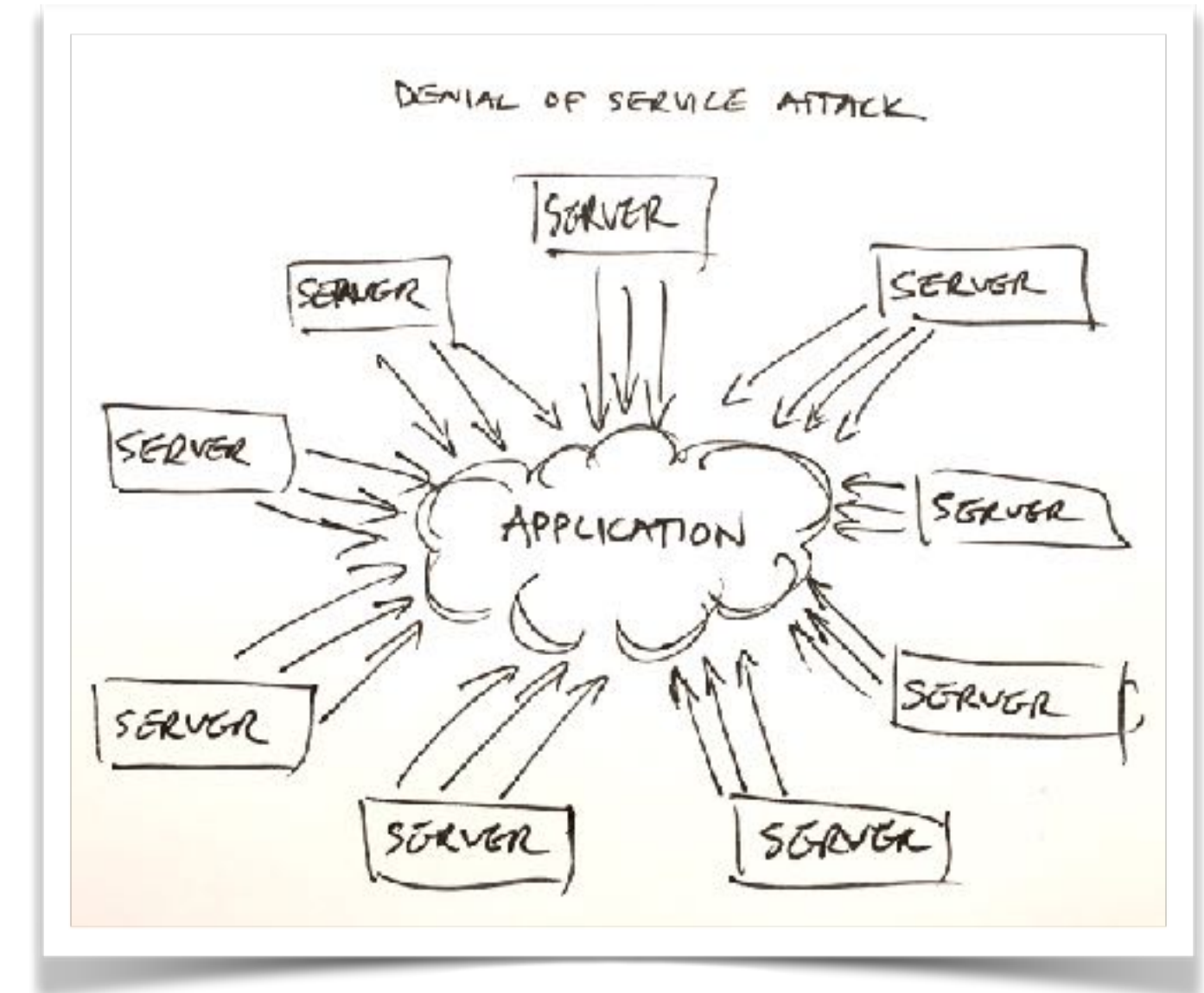


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# DoS Attacks

- The main objective of a DoS attack is to prevent availability of a system's services
- A DoS attack doesn't require heavy load to be successful (asymmetric)



# Domain DoS Attacks

*A DoS attack caused by utilizing **domain rules** in a malicious way is called a **Domain DoS***

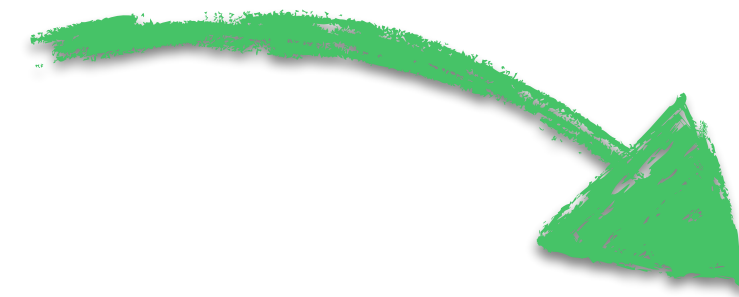
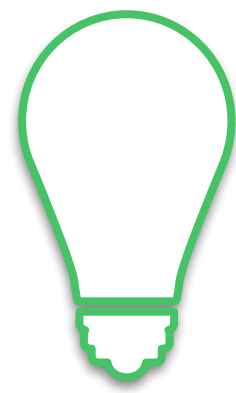




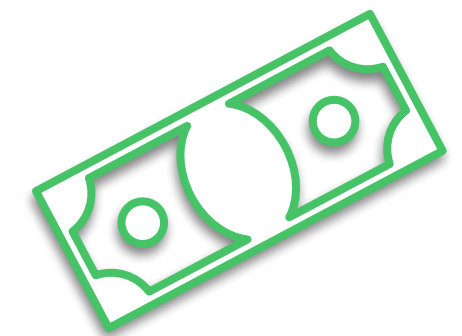


# Domain DoS Example - The Hotel

We need great customer service!



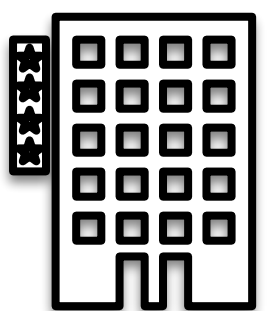
Full refund if cancelled before 4 p.m.



Book all empty rooms



No rooms available for ordinary customers




# Uber vs Ola

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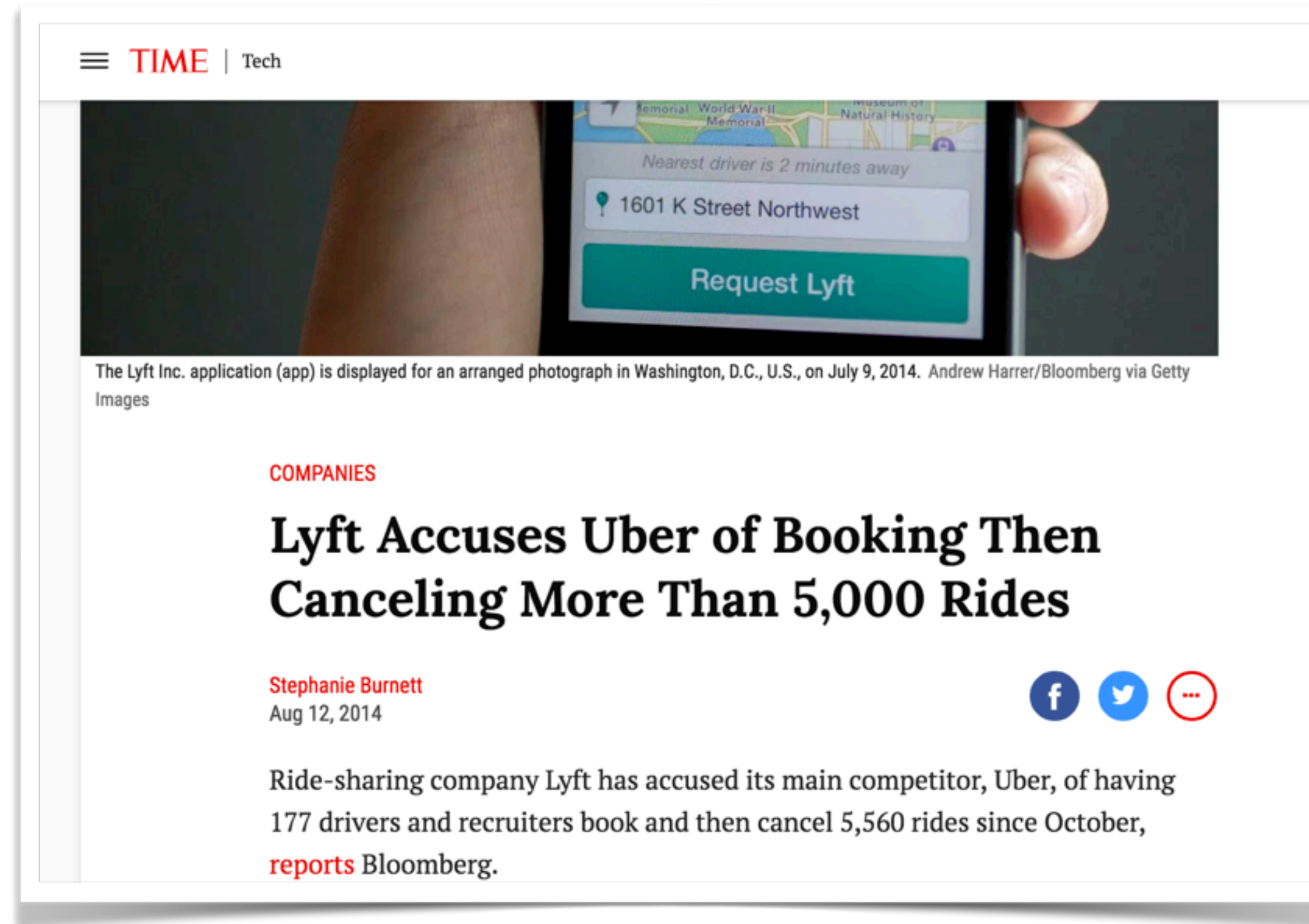
by **Saritha Rai**  
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- Ola denies all allegations, including that it made up accounts
- The battle for Indian passengers spills into the legal arena



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# Lyft vs Uber



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