

#### **PIXELFEDERATION**

DDD - Tactical Patterns & Value Objects



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### **Plan**

- 1. Projects Introduction
- 2. Tactical Patterns In DDD
- 3. Value Objects Design And Implementation
  - Problems & Solutions We Needed To Handle

# **Projects Using DDD Patterns**

#### **TrainStation 2**



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**TrainStation 2** 

Lines of code: 82 393

# Classes: 1 351

Lines of code in the Domain: 38 060

# Classes: **594** 

# **Projects Using DDD Patterns**

#### **Steam Cats**



# **Projects Using DDD Patterns**

**Steam Cats** 

Lines of code: 105 881

# Classes: 2 027

Lines of code in the Domain: 42 048

# Classes: 703

The Important Part In DDD Is NOT The Implementation

### DDD evangelists and influencers say:

- Most of the companies only use "DDD
   Lite", not proper DDD
- Tactical patterns only help in the implementation phase
- Implementation is not the most important thing

### **Tactical Patterns In DDD**

The Interesting Parts (Strategic Patterns)

- Domain Discovery & Distillation
- Context Mapping
- Interaction with Domain Experts
- Tighter Cooperation With Business

**BUT! The Boring Parts Aren't That Boring Or Useless** 

- Software eventually needs to get implemented
- It seems that DDD Lite patterns are a good way to prepare a project for longer life cycle and change
- If understood properly and applied correctly:)

### **Tactical Patterns In DDD**

#### What Are The Tactical Patterns?

- Guidance to implementation
- Goal:
  - High quality code
  - Maintainable application
  - Scalable application

### **Tactical Patterns In DDD**

How Are They Trying To Achieve The Goals?

### Separation of application into layers:

- Domain
- Application
- Infrastructure

### **Domain Layer**

- The most important of them all
- Separated from the infrastructural details
  - => Easier infrastructural changes
  - => The most important information is completely isolated => easier changeable

#### Implementation Building Blocks

- Value Objects
- Repositories
- Entities
- Aggregates
- Services
- Events
- Process Managers ("Sagas")

#### Our Design Decisions With:

- Value Objects
- Repositories
- Entities
- Aggregates
- Services
- Events
- Process Managers

## **Value Objects**

#### **Definition**

- Value represented by object
- Distinguishable by it's value
- Don't have identifiers
- Immutable
- Contain basic logic

## **Value Objects**

```
Example: Email
final class EmailAddress
{
    /**
     * @var string
     */
    private $email;
   public function __construct(string $email)
        if (!filter_var($email, FILTER_VALIDATE_EMAIL)) {
            throw new DomainException('Invalid email.');
        $this->email = $email;
```

## Value Objects

#### **Practical Benefits**

- Constraints to the wrapped primitive values
  - => The value in the object is always valid
- Contains all valid operations bounded to the value/concept
- Concept naming
- Usable in threaded environments because of immutability

# Value Objects

#### Code Without Using Value Objects Everywhere

```
final class SpeedUpPriceCalculator
   /** @var ArticleDefinitions */
   private $articleDefinitions;
    public function calculate(
        DateTimeImmutable $originEndTime,
        DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
    ): ArticleAmount {
        // @todo - toto by sa zisla dat do nejakeho VO, aby sa takto v sluzbe
        // nepocitalo so scalarnymi cislami
        $diffInSeconds = abs($newEndTime->getTimestamp() - $originEndTime->getTimestamp());
        $minutes = $diffInSeconds / 60;
        $hours = $diffInSeconds / 3600;
        $amountValue = (int)ceil($minutes ** 0.6 + $hours);
        return new ArticleAmount(
            $this->articleDefinitions->getGem(),
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        $minutes = $diffInSeconds / 60;
                                                                        Time difference
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                                                              SpeedUp calculation
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        $amountValue = (int)ceil($minutes ** 0.6 + $hours);
        return new ArticleAmount(
            $this->articleDefinitions->getGem(),
                                                     Final result
            new Amount($amountValue)
```

# Value Objects

### Working With Primitive Values Directly - Concept Extraction

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                                                             Minutes and Hours
        $minutes = Minutes::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds);
        $hours = Hours::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds);
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            $this->articleDefinitions->getGem(),
                                                       Primitive values access
            new Amount($amountValue)
        );
```

### Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects (Number Pattern)

```
abstract class Number
   /** @var intlfloat */
    private $value;
    /** @param float|int $value */
    public function __construct($value)
        $this->value = $value;
    /** @return floatlint */
    protected function getValue()
        return $this->value;
```

```
abstract class WholeNumber extends Number
{
    /** @param integer $number */
    public function __construct(int $number)
    {
        parent::__construct($number);
    }

    /** @return integer */
    protected function getValue(): int
    {
        return (int)parent::getValue();
    }
}
```

## Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects Using The Number Pattern (Version 1)

```
final class SpeedUpPrice extends WholeNumber {
   public function __construct(
        DateTimeImmutable $originalEndTime,
        DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
        $diffInSeconds = abs($newEndTime->getTimestamp() - $originalEndTime->getTimestamp());
        $minutes = Minutes::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds); // extends WholeNumber
        $hours = Hours::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds); // extends WholeNumber
        $speedUpAmountValue = (int)ceil($minutes->getValue() ** 0.6 + $hours->getValue());
        parent::__construct($speedUpAmountValue);
    public function toAmount(): Amount {
        return new Amount($this->getValue());
```

## Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects Using The Number Pattern (Version 1)

```
final class SpeedUpPrice extends WholeNumber {
    public function __construct(
        DateTimeImmutable $originalEndTime,
                                                     BUT!
        DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
       $diffInSeconds = abs($newEndTime->getTimestamp() - $originalEndTime->getTimestamp());
        $minutes = Minutes::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds); // extends WholeNumber
        $hours = Hours::fromSeconds($diffInSeconds); // extends WholeNumber
       $speedUpAmountValue = (int)ceil($minutes->getValue() ** 0.6 + $hours->getValue());
                                                               Two concepts combined in
        parent::__construct($speedUpAmountValue);
                                                               one place
    public function toAmount(): Amount {
        return new Amount($this->getValue());
```

# Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects Using The Number Pattern (Version 2a)

```
final class TimeDifference extends WholeNumber {
    public function __construct(
        DateTimeImmutable $startTime,
        DateTimeImmutable $endTime
        if ($startTime > $endTime) {
            throw new DomainException('End time needs to occur later than start time.');
        $diffInSeconds = $endTime->getTimestamp() - $startTime->getTimestamp();
        parent::__construct($diffInSeconds);
                                                                  Extracted concept
    public function getMinutes(): Minutes {
                                                                  (time difference)
        return Minutes::fromSeconds($this->getValue());
    }
    public function getHours(): Hours {
        return Hours::fromSeconds($this->getValue());
```

# Value Objects

Using Value Objects Using The Number Pattern (Version 2b)

```
final class SpeedUpPrice extends WholeNumber {
   private function __construct(int $speedUpPrice) {
        parent::__construct($speedUpPrice);
    public static function fromTimeDifference(TimeDifference $timeDiff): self {
        $speedUpAmountValue = (int)ceil(
            $timeDiff->getMinutes()->getValue() ** 0.6 + $timeDiff->getHours()->getValue()
        );
                                                          Extracted concept (Speedup
       return new self($speedUpAmountValue);
                                                          price from Time difference)
   public function toAmount(): Amount {
        return new Amount($this->getValue());
```

## Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects In The Calculator Service

```
final class SpeedUpPriceCalculator {
     * @param DateTimeImmutable $originEndTime
     * @param DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
     * @return ArticleAmount
    public function calculate(
        DateTimeImmutable $originalEndTime,
        DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
    ): ArticleAmount {
       $timeDiff = new TimeDifference($originalEndTime, $newEndTime);
       $speedUpPrice = SpeedUpPrice::fromTimeDifference($timeDiff);
        return new ArticleAmount(
            $this->articleDefinitions->getGem(),
            $speedUpPrice->toAmount()
```

## Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects In The Calculator Service

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## Value Objects

We Use It Everywhere In The Domain



# Value Objects

#### Using Value Objects In The Calculator Service

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final class SpeedUpPriceCalculator {
     * @param DateTimeImmutable $originEndTime
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        DateTimeImmutable $originalEndTime,
        DateTimeImmutable $newEndTime
    ): ArticleAmount {
        $timeDiff = new TimeDifference($originalEndTime, $newEndTime);
        $speedUpPrice = SpeedUpPrice::fromTimeDifference($timeDiff);
        return new ArticleAmount(
           $this->articleDefinitions->getGem(),
                                                   Value objects repository
            $speedUpPrice->toAmount()
        );
```

# **Value Objects**

Persistent Value Objects (Dynamically Generated Definitions)

- Immutable (or even read only)
- Identifier doesn't exist in the domain layer
- Identifier is only visible in the infrastructure layer

# Value Objects

### Persistent Value Objects - ArticleDefinition Example

```
class ArticleDefinition {
   /** @var Name */
                       Hidden id (not exposed externally)
   private $name;
   /** @var Level */
   private $minLevel;
   /** @var Score */
   private $score;
   public function isEqual(ArticleDefinition $articleDefinition): bool {
        return $this->name->isEqual($articleDefinition->name);
    }
   public function getMinLevel(): Level {
       return $this->minLevel;
    }
   public function getScore(): Score {
        return $this->score;
```

# Value Objects

Persistent Value Objects - ArticleDefinition Repository

```
// Domain
interface ArticleDefinitions {
    public function getGem(): ArticleDefinition;
// Infrastructure
class DoctrineArticleDefinitions implements ArticleDefinitions {
    private const NAME_GEM = 'Gem';
    // ...
                                                  Modeled as collection
   public function getGem(): ArticleDefinition
                                                  pattern - set
        return $this->entityManager->findBy(['name' => self::NAME_GEM]);
```

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

### **Entity Identifier Possibilities**

- Primitive type
  - string
  - integer
- UUID
- Value object

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

#### Reasons

- Value object can wrap all of the previous types, which means that:
  - Identifiers become infrastructure agnostic
  - It's possible to change the underlying identifier types without changing the model

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

### Identifier Example

```
// domain
final class TrainId {
    /** @var PlayerId */
    private $playerId;
                             Hidden primitive types
     ′** @var SequenceId */
    private $sequenceId;
    public function __construct(PlayerId $playerId, SequenceId $sequenceId) {...}
    public function getPlayerId(): PlayerId {}
    public function getSequenceId(): SequenceId {}
```

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

### Repository Example

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

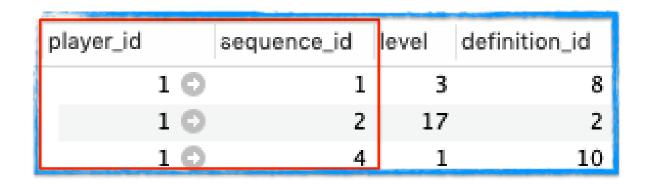
### Command Handler Example

```
final class CreateTrainHandler {
    public function __invoke(CreateTrain $createTrain): void {
        $trainId = new TrainId(
                                                     Id created directly,
                $createTrain->getPlayerId(),
                                                     independently of
                $createTrain->getTrainSeqenceId()
                                                     db structure
        $trainDefinition = $createTrain->getTrainDefinition();
        $train = new Train($trainId, $trainDefinition);
        $this->trains->save($train);
```

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

But Is The Identifier Really Independent?

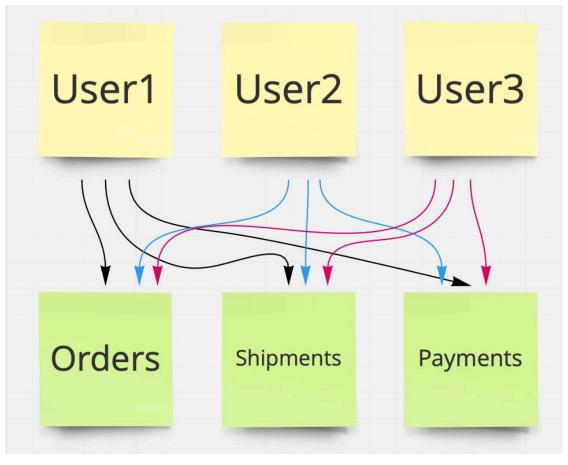
This is the 'train' table:



Is this structure significant for the domain?

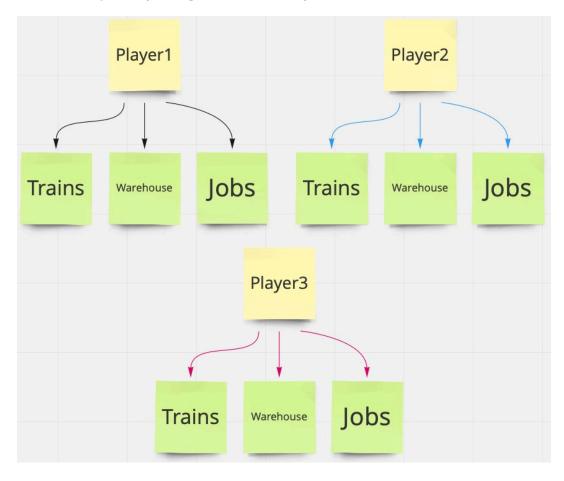
### Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

Casual Domain Example (E-Shop)



### Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

Game Domain Example (Player World)



# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

Removing The Identifier Dependence On Infrastructure

### Pros:

- The domain is simpler (clearer it's player's world with player abstracted as a 'director')
- The model is more suited to be shared between client and server

### Cons:

 Identifier instantiation becomes tightly coupled to repositories

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

Identifier Example - Hidden Database Structure

```
// Domain
interface TrainId {}
  Infrastructure
class DoctrineTraintId implements TrainId {
    /** @var PlayerId */
    private $playerId;
    /** @var SequenceId */
   private $sequenceId;
    public function __construct(PlayerId $playerId, SequenceId $sequenceId) {...}
    public function getPlayerId(): PlayerId {...}
    public function getSequenceId(): SequenceId {...}
```

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

### Repository Example - Identifier Coupling

```
// Domain
interface Trains {
    public function newIdentifier(): TrainId;
    public function find(TrainId $trainId): ?Train;
// Infrastructure
final class DoctrineTrains {
    public function newIdentifier(): TrainId {
       return new DoctrineTrainId(
            $this->playerIdProvider->provide(),
                                                         Single place for identifier creation
            new SequenceId($this->sequencer->next())
       );
    public function find(TrainId $trainId): ?Train {
       /* @var $trainId DoctrineTrainId */
       return $this->repository->findOneBy([
            'playerId' => WholeNumberExtractor::extract($trainId->getPlayerId()),
            'sequenceId' => WholeNumberExtractor::extract($trainId->getSequenceId()),
       ]);
```

# Value Objects As Entity Identifiers

### Command Handler Example

```
final class CreateTrainHandler {

public function __invoke(CreateTrain $createTrain): void {

    // id factory coupled to repository
    $trainId = $this->trains->newIdentifier();

    $trainDefinition = $createTrain->getTrainDefinition();

    $train = new Train($trainId, $trainDefinition);
    $this->trains->save($train);
}
```

### Value Objects As Tactical Pattern

### **Summary**

- Value object is a very powerful concept:
  - Always valid
  - Properly named
  - Strongly typed on domain level

### Value Objects As Tactical Pattern

#### **Practical Benefits**

- They improve the implementation and makes it more transparent
- They make the design/implementation easily understandable
  - In theory even for less technical people

### Value Objects As Tactical Pattern

### What We Observed In Pixel

- Mastering value objects takes time, but makes better programmers and code as a result
- We started to use value objects even in infrastructure layer and in libraries
- Naming things is really really hard:)

# Want To Play At Work With Us?



# Thank you

