

Developing with Apache Lenya 1.4

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Questions To Be Answered

- Is Lenya the right product for me?
- Should I update from 1.2 to 1.4?
- What does the 1.4 architecture look like?
- How do I get started with my app?
- How do I add custom functionality?
- How do I support custom types of documents?

Agenda

- Overview
- New features in Lenya 1.4
- Architecture
- Core API
- Modules
- Publication Templating
- Usecase framework
- Resource types

Apache Lenya

- Content Management Framework
- based on Apache Cocoon (XML-based web publishing + application framework)
- Incubator 2003, TLP 2004
- Focus:
 - Cross-media publishing
 - WYSIWYG editor integration
 - Basis for implementing CMS functionality and integrating external apps

Some New Features

- Site overview
- SVG module
- WebDAV support
- Neutron / Phoenix
- Open Document resource type
- JCR integration

Architecture

- Lenya 1.2 Architecture
- Layering
- Modularisation
- Dependency management

Lenya 1.2

Application, Composition and Configuration Layer

Publications

Publication

Newsletter

Weblog

Publication

Newsletter

Publication

Weblog

Publication

News Ticker

Publication

Web Content Management Framework

Standard CMS functionality

Persistence

Access Control

Workflow

Versioning

Link Management

WYSIWYG Editing

Form-based Editing

CMS GUI Framework

Site Mgmt GUI

Search Engine

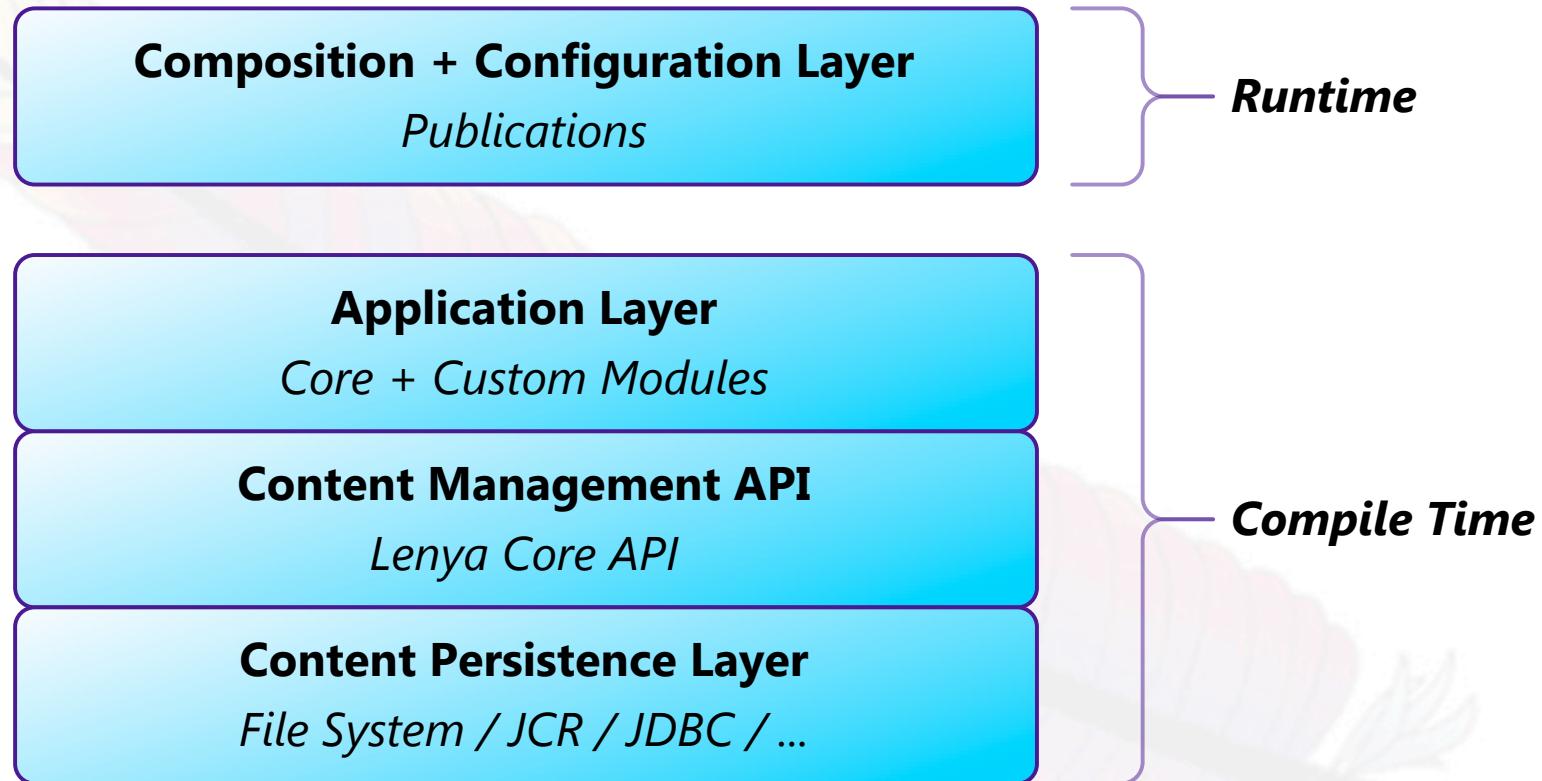
Notification

Administration GUI

Lenya 1.2 Architecture

- Core
 - Monolithic
 - Structured by file types, not by responsibility
 - Various CMS functionality included
 - No separation of “core” and “additional” functionality
- Publications
 - self-contained
 - sharing code required custom mechanisms

Layers in Lenya 1.4



Web Content Management Framework

Lenya Standard Modules

WYSIWYG Editing

Form-based Editing

CMS GUI Framework

Site Mgmt GUI

Search Engine

Notification

Administration GUI

Workflow Configuration GUI

Static Page Export

Mobile Distribution

Asset Management

Content Syndication

Content Management API

Lenya Core API

Persistence

Access Control

Observation

Workflow

Versioning

Transactions

Link Management

Web Application Framework

Cocoon

URL Mapping

XML Processing

GUI Framework

Blocks

Caching

Content Persistence Service

JSR 170 / File System / JDBC / ...

Composition and Configuration Layer

Publications

Publication

Publication

Publication

Publication

Publication

Application Layer

Optional and Custom Modules

Newsletter

Forum

Weblog

Advanced Search

Online Employment Application

Contact Form

News Ticker

Image Gallery

Online Shop

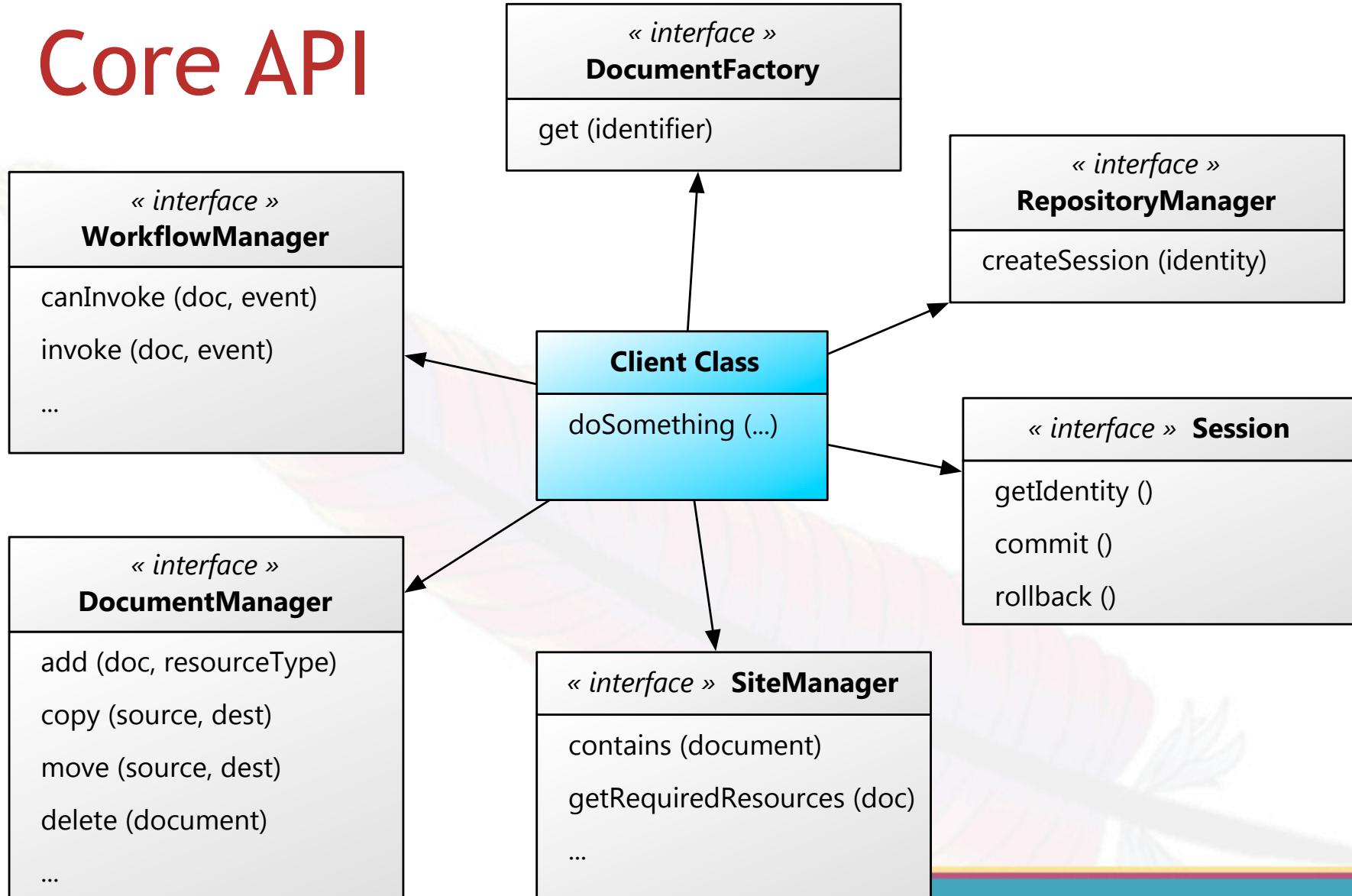
Calendar

RSS Feeds

EAI Services

Web Content Management Framework

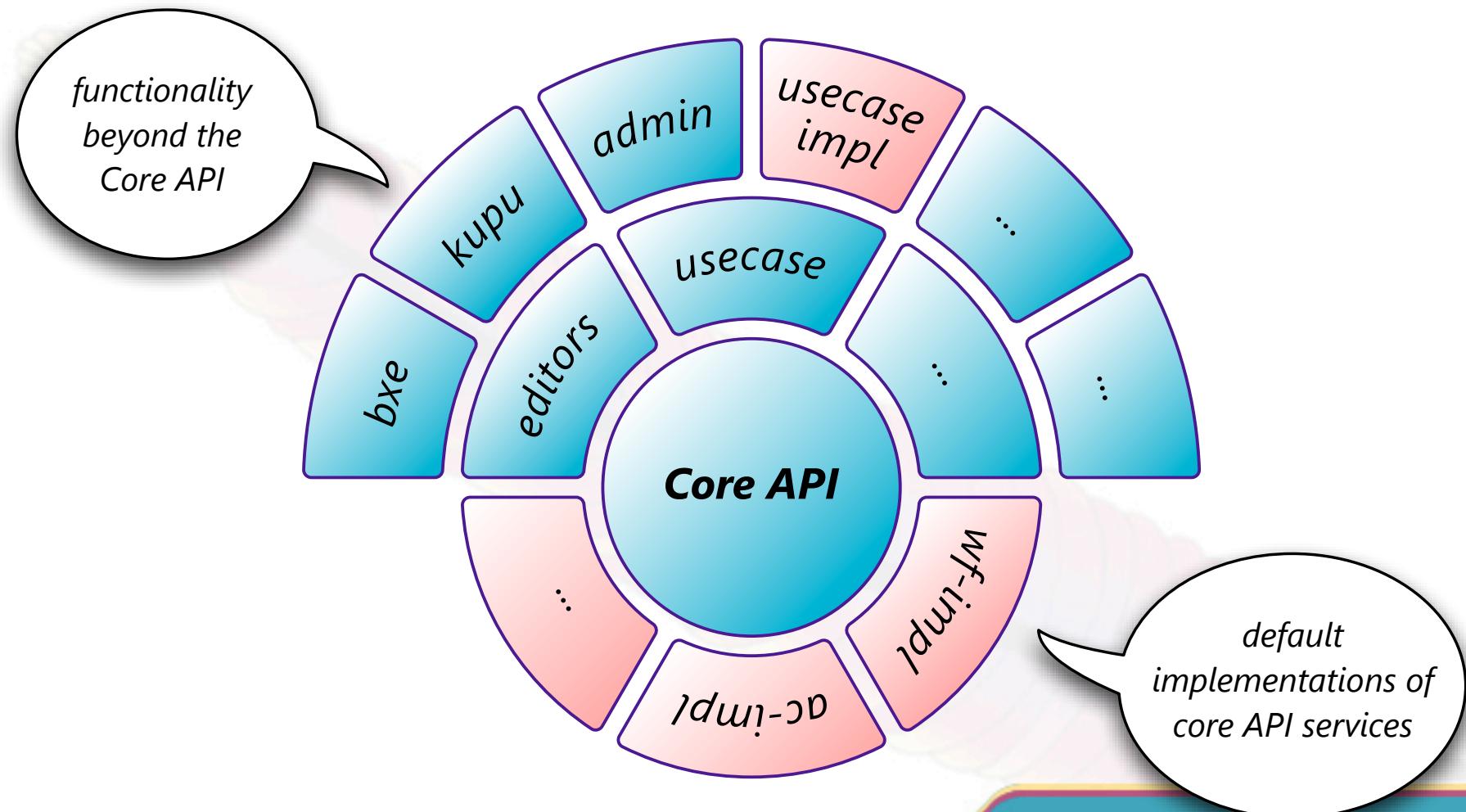
Core API



Modules: Purpose

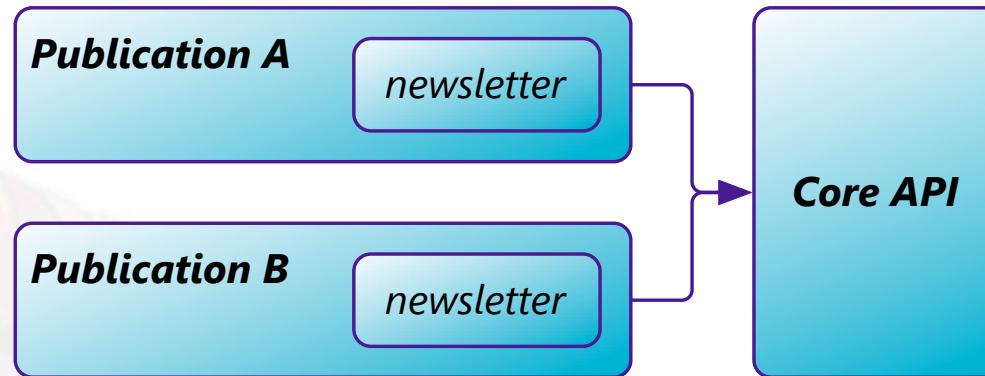
- modularization of Lenya core
 - improve *Separation of Concerns*: isolate a specific aspect or functionality, encourage delegation
 - improve maintainability
 - improve long-term stability
 - reduce learning curve
- extend with 3rd party functionality
- reuse functionality

Modules - Core Modularisation

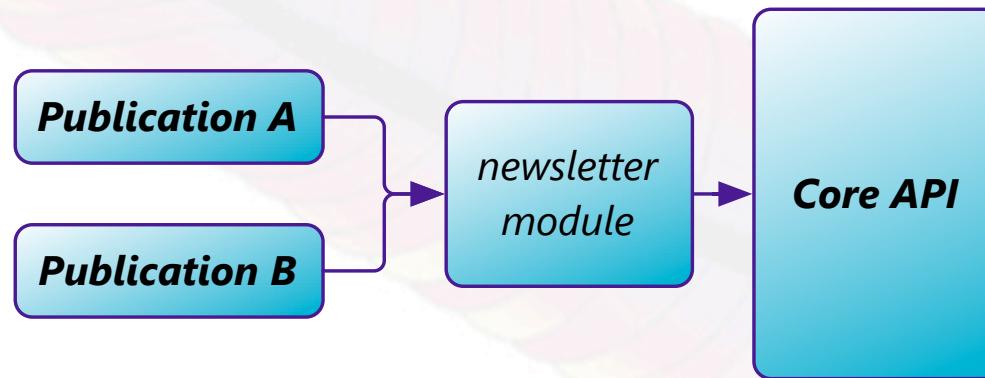


Modules - Reusing Functionality

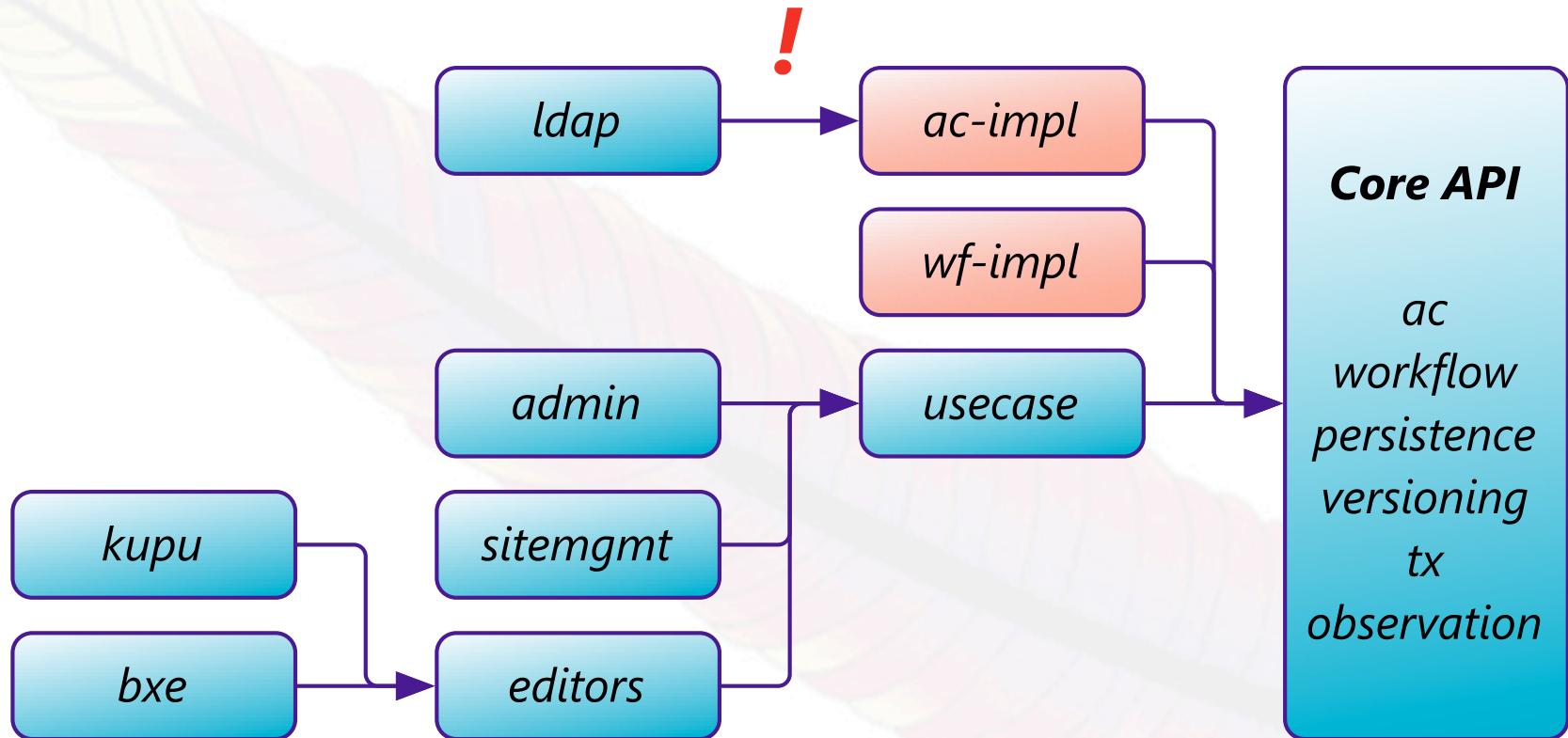
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Module Dependencies



Module Descriptor

```
<module xmlns="http://apache.org/lenya/module/1.0">
  <id>org.apache.lenya.modules.bxe</id>
  <published>false</published>
  <depends module="org.apache.lenya.modules.usecase"/>
  <package>org.apache.lenya.modules</package>
  <version>0.1-dev</version>
  <name>BXE Editor</name>
  <lenya-version>@lenya.version@</lenya-version>
  <description>
    Integration of the Bitflux WYSIWYG Editor.
    For more information, visit http://bxe.oscom.org
  </description>
  <installation>...</installation>
</module>
```

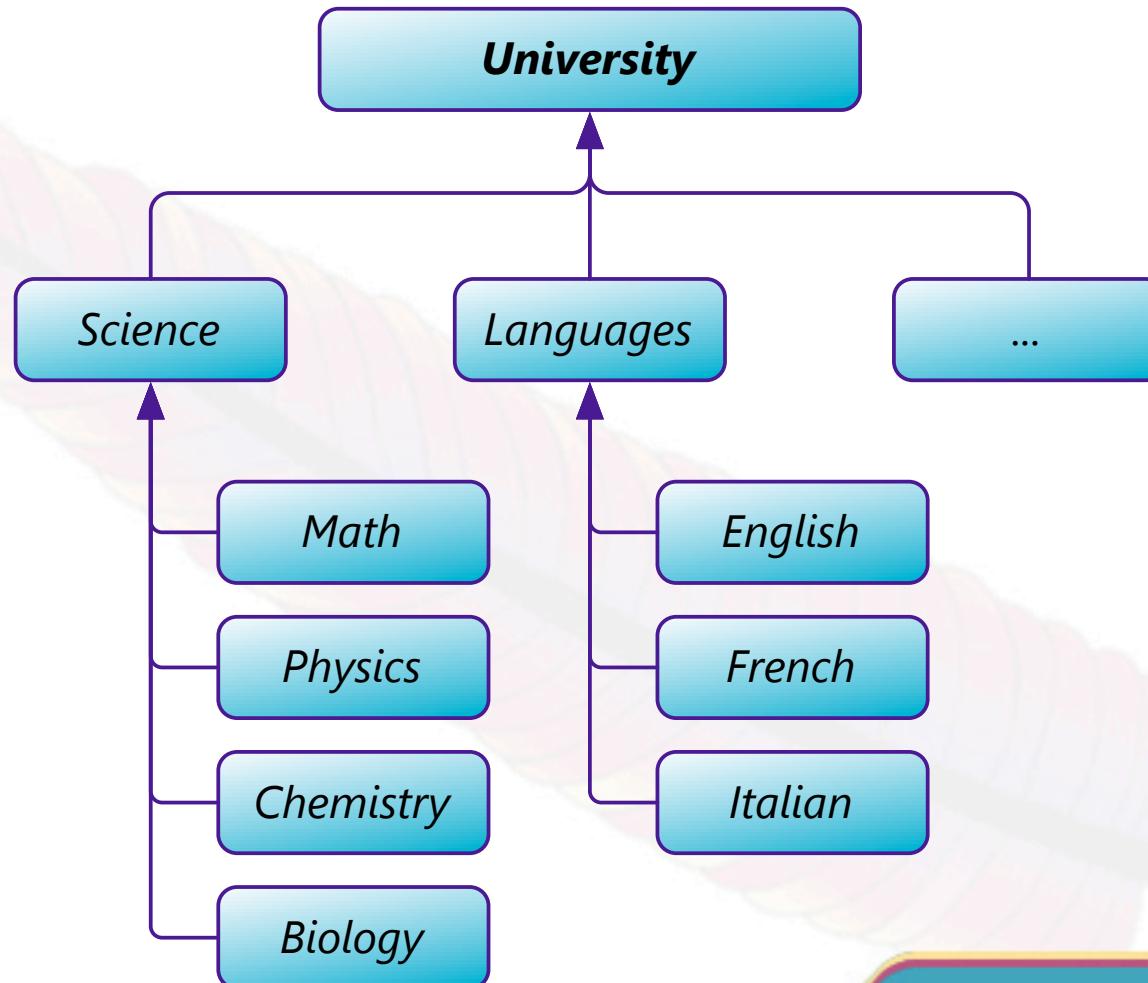
Module Layout

- yourmodule
 - config/
 - java/
 - src/
 - test/
 - usecases/
 - xslt/
 - sitemap.xmap

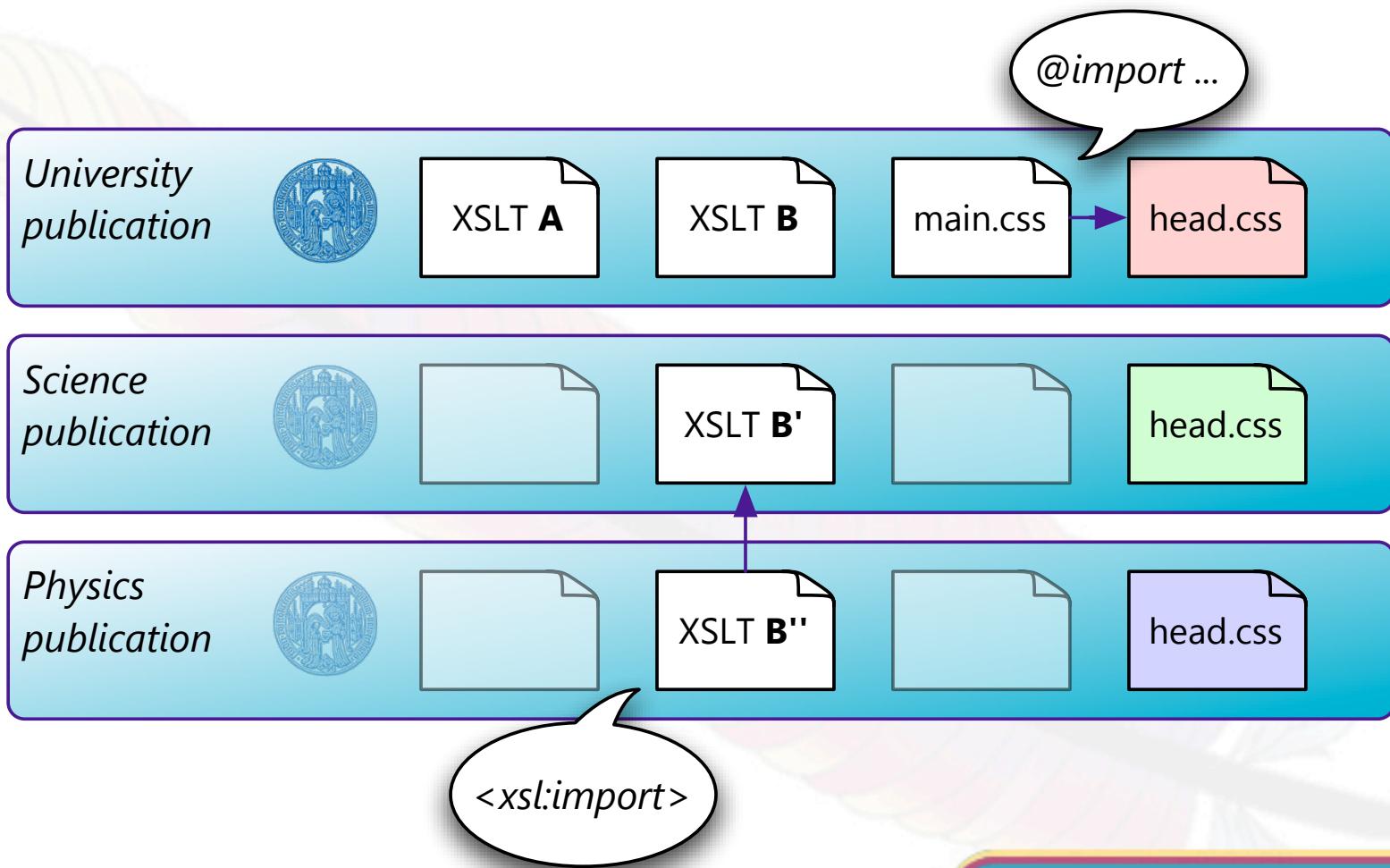
Modules: Summary

- Provide reusable functionality
 - Resource types
 - GUI functionality (usecases)
 - Integration code for external apps
 - Reusable pipelines
 - Static resources (images, ...)
- Declare service interfaces
- Provide implementations for interfaces

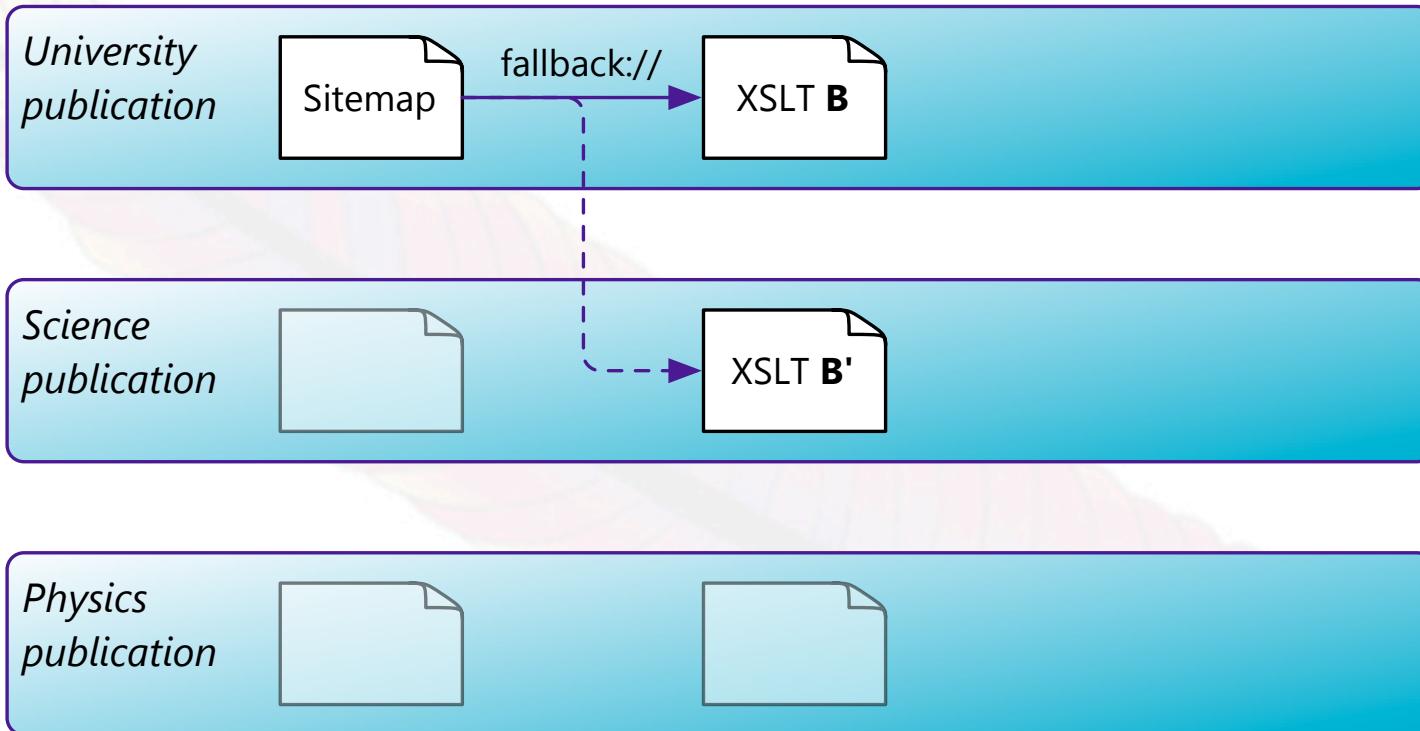
Publication Templating



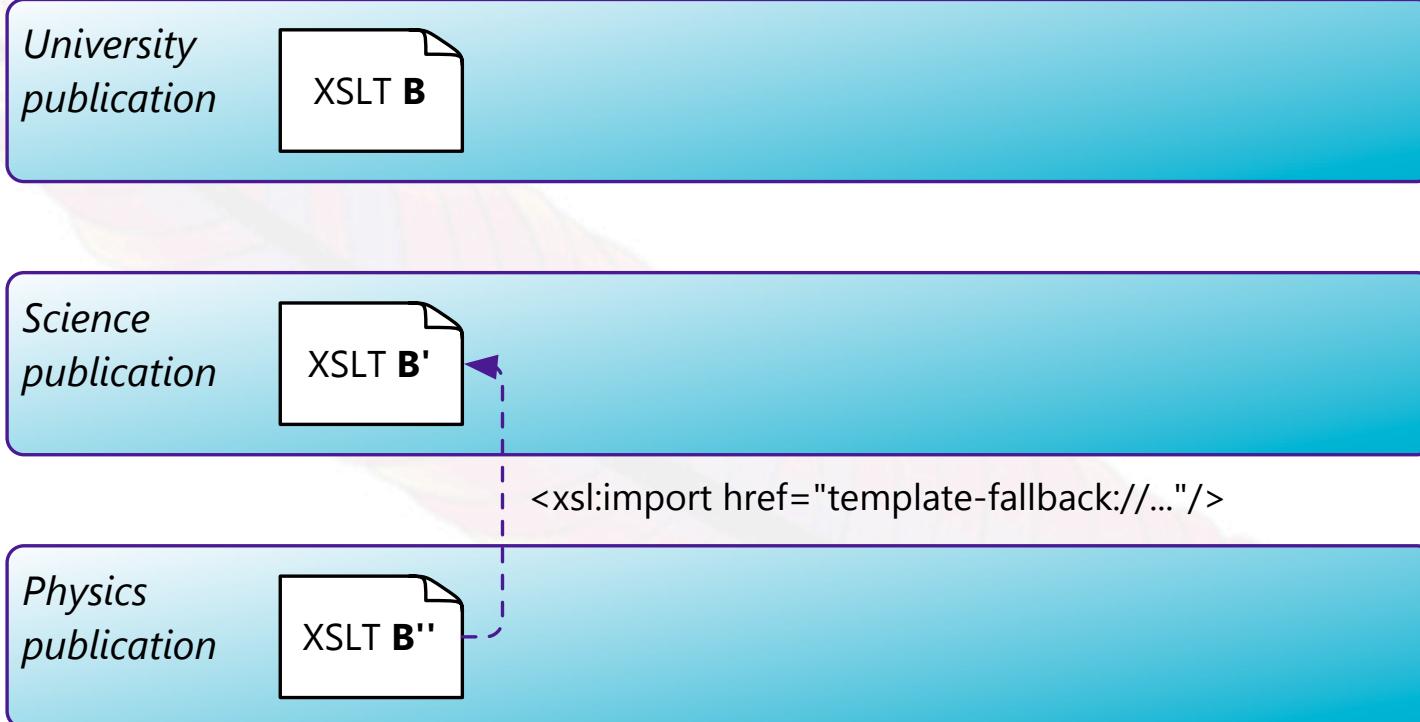
Publication Templating



Fallback



Template Fallback



Pub. Templating: Summary

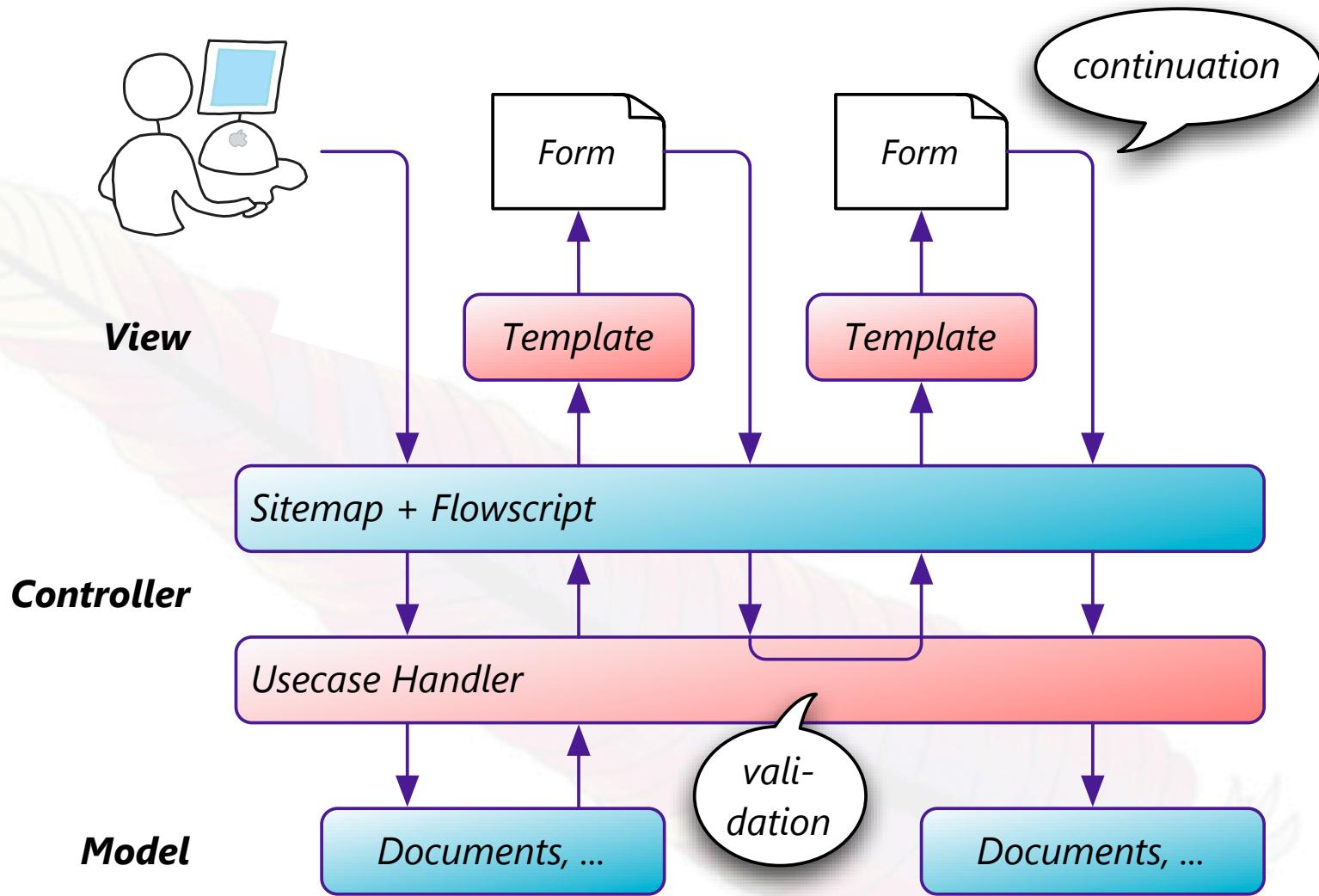
- Purpose:
 - Publication “hierarchies”
 - Inherit resources from templates
 - Override resources
 - Add functionality
- How-To:
 - Use fallback:// to include resources
 - Just put the overriding resources in the equivalent location

Usecase Framework

- Overview
- Declaring the usecase
- Implementing the usecase
- Adding a menu item
- Access control

Usecases: Overview

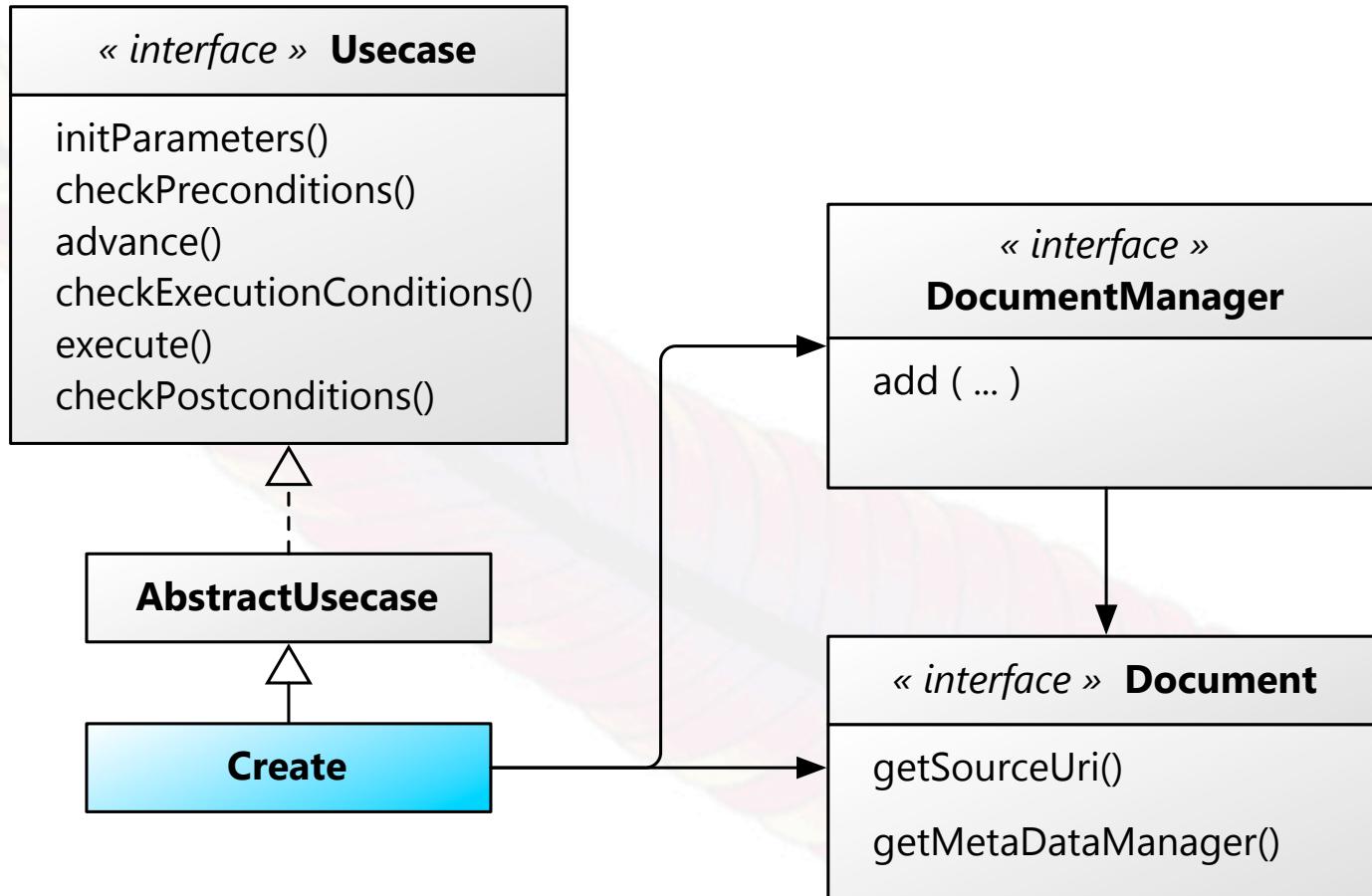
- User interaction, usually form-based
 - Edit and manage content
 - Interact with other applications (newsletter)
 - Visitor functionality (contact form)
 - ...
- Triggered using a request parameter
- Full screen or document-based



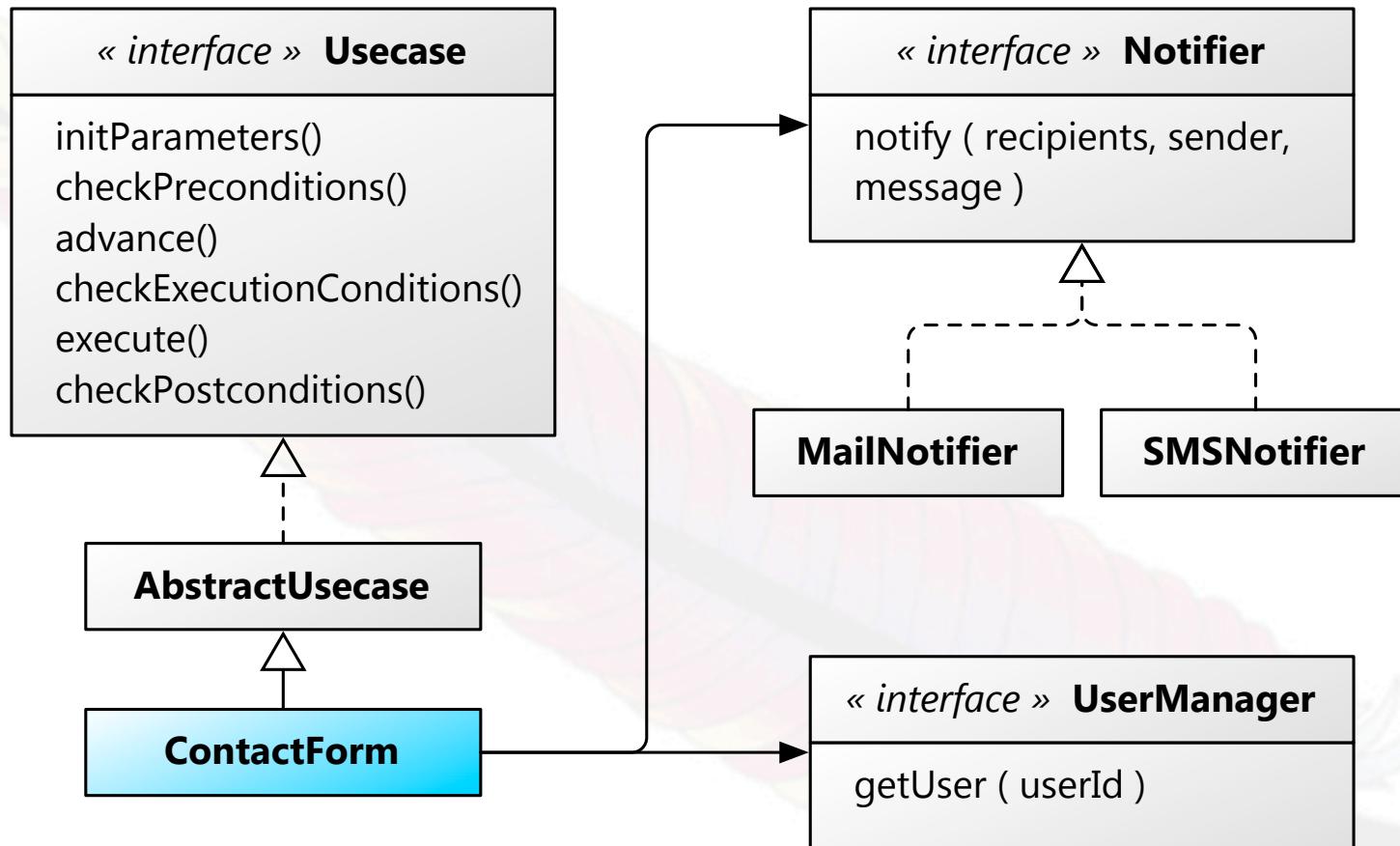
Declaring a Usecase

```
<usecases>
  ...
  <component-instance name="site.create"
    class="o.a.lenya.cms.site.usecases.CreateDocument">
    <view template="modules/sitemanagement/ \
usecases/site/create.jx" />
    <parameter name="..." value="..."/>
    <parameter name="..." value="..."/>
    <transaction policy="optimistic"/>
  </component-instance>
  ...
</usecases>
```

Example: Create Document



Example: Contact Form



Usecase Menu Item

```
<menu>
  ...
<block>
  <item uc:usecase="site.create" href="?doctype=xhtml">
    <i18n:text>New XHTML Document</i18n:text>
  </item>
</block>
  ...
</menu>
```

Usecase Access Control

- <pub>/config/ac/usecase-policies.xml

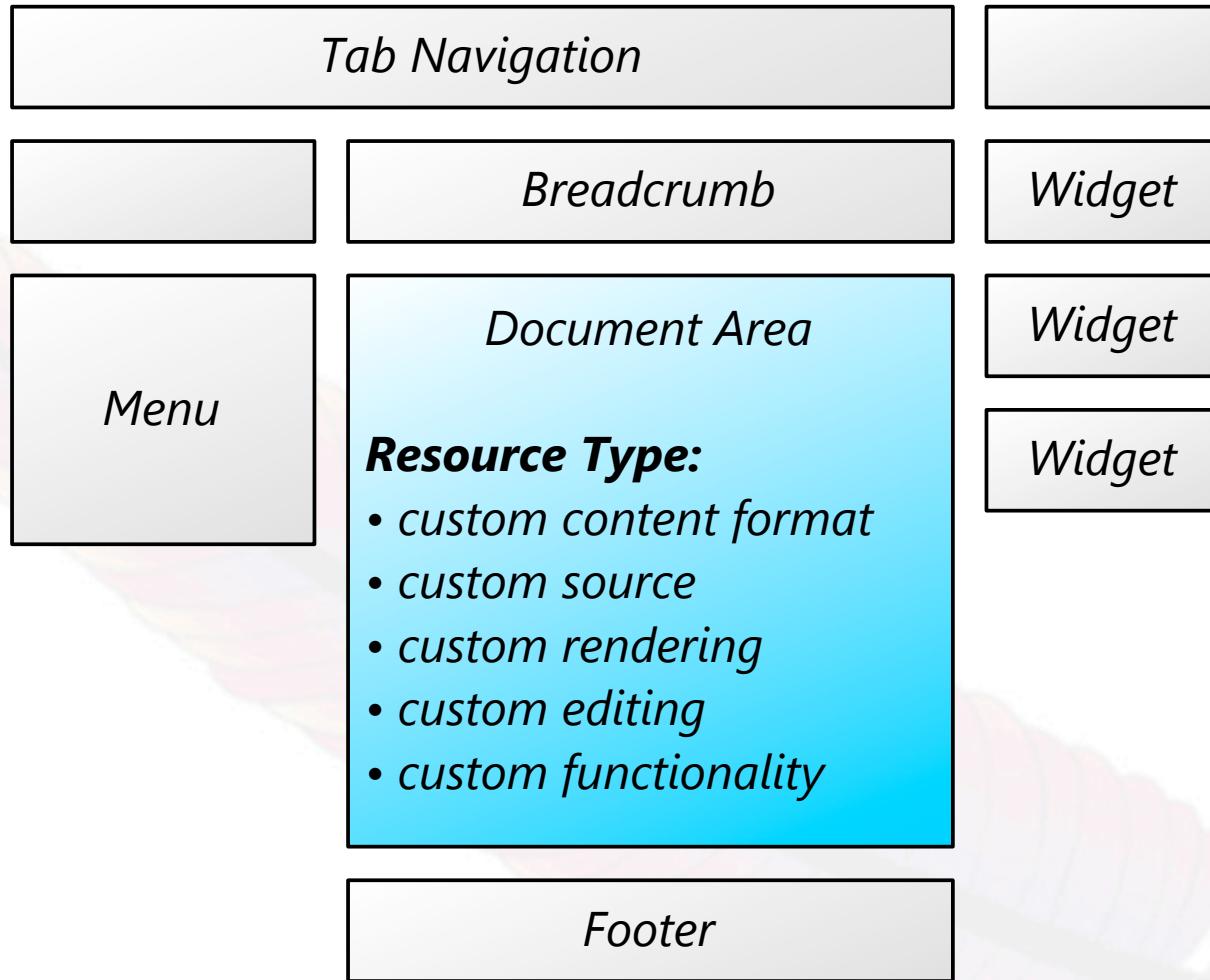
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<usecases xmlns="..."><![CDATA[  
    ...  
    <usecase id="site.create">  
        <role id="admin"/>  
        <role id="edit"/>  
    </usecase>  
    ...  
</usecases>
```

Usecases: Summary

- Purpose:
 - User-controlled, GUI-based functionality
- How-To:
 - Declare (patch for cocoon.xconf)
 - Add the usecase handler class
 - Add the view JX template
 - Add policy to usecase-policies.xml

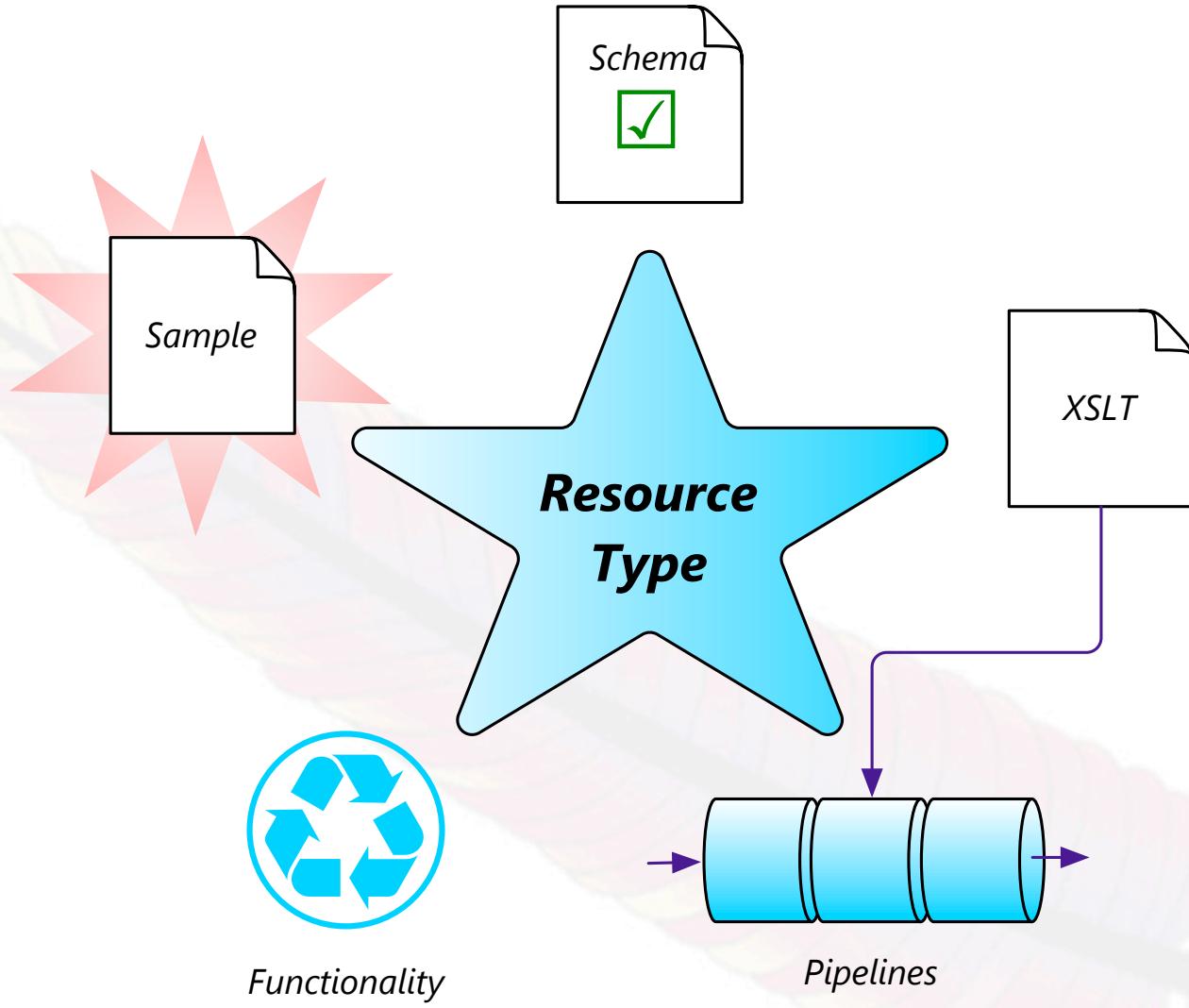
Resource Types

- Page Setup
- Examples
- Implement a Resource Type



Resource Type Examples

- xhtml
- links
- opendocument
- usecasedocument
- *docbook*
- *word*
- *externalpage*



Resource Type Declaration

```
<component-instance name="links">
  <schema
    language="http://relaxng.org/ns/structure/0.9"
    src="fallback://lenya/modules/[...]/links.rng"/>

  <sample-name>[...]/links.xml</sample-name>

  <format name="xhtml"
    uri="cocoon://modules/links/xhtml.xml"/>
  <format name="luceneIndex"
    uri="cocoon://modules/xhtml/index.xml"/>
  <format name="webdavGET"
    uri="cocoon://modules/xhtml/davget.xml"/>

</component-instance>
```

Implement a Resource Type

- Add the resource type module
- Declare the resource type
- Add a validation schema
- Add a sample
- Add the pipelines
- Add the XSLT
- Configure the menu items

Resource Types: Summary

- Purpose:
 - Support specific content types
 - Support presentation formats for content types
- How-To:
 - Add a module
 - Add sample + schema
 - Add pipelines+XSLT for presentation
 - Add functionality



Thank you!