

Survival Guide for Optimizely Add-Ons



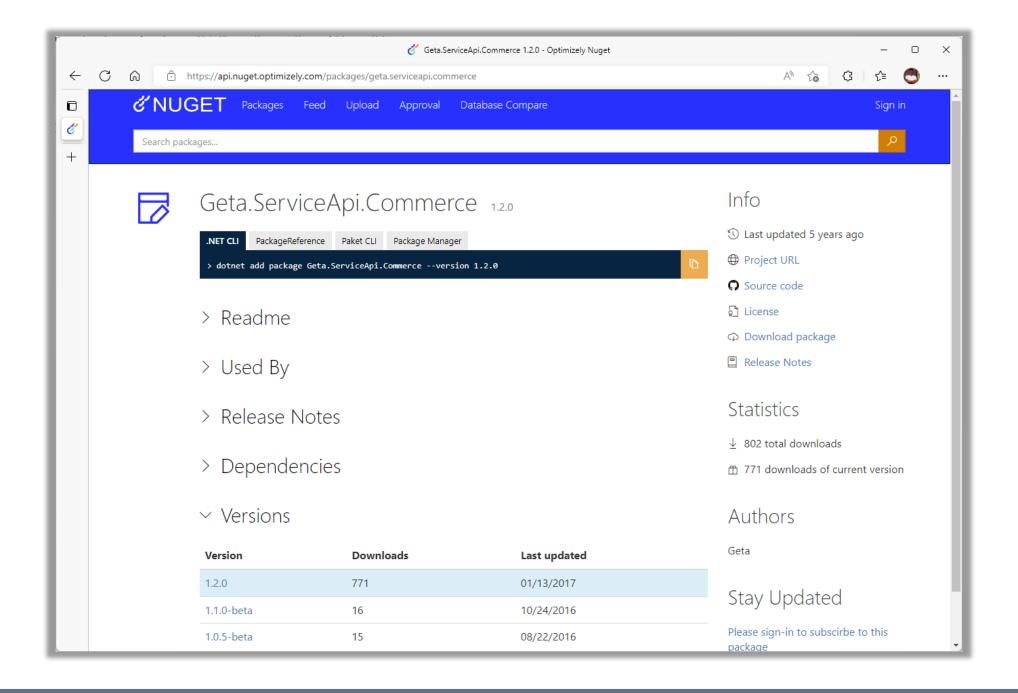
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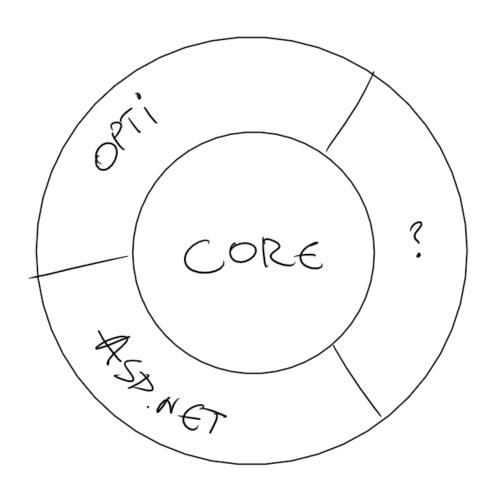


Agenda

- Self-Hygiene
- Hybrid Environments
- Pluggability

Architecture

Design your library as a tiny system



Self-Hygiene

Composition

- Provide low-barrier config
- Register your services (try avoid attributes)
- Provide default implementations for your services
- Split generic / platform-specific services

```
public void ConfigureServices(IServiceCollection services)
  services
    .AddNotFoundHandler(o => ...)
    .AddOptimizelyNotFoundHandler(o =>
      o.AddCommerceProviders();
    });
```

Composition

```
public void Configure(
  IApplicationBuilder app,
  IWebHostEnvironment env)
  app
    .UseNotFoundHandler()
    .UseOptimizelyNotFoundHandler();
```

Diagnostics

Traces Logs

Metrics

Diagnostics -> Traces

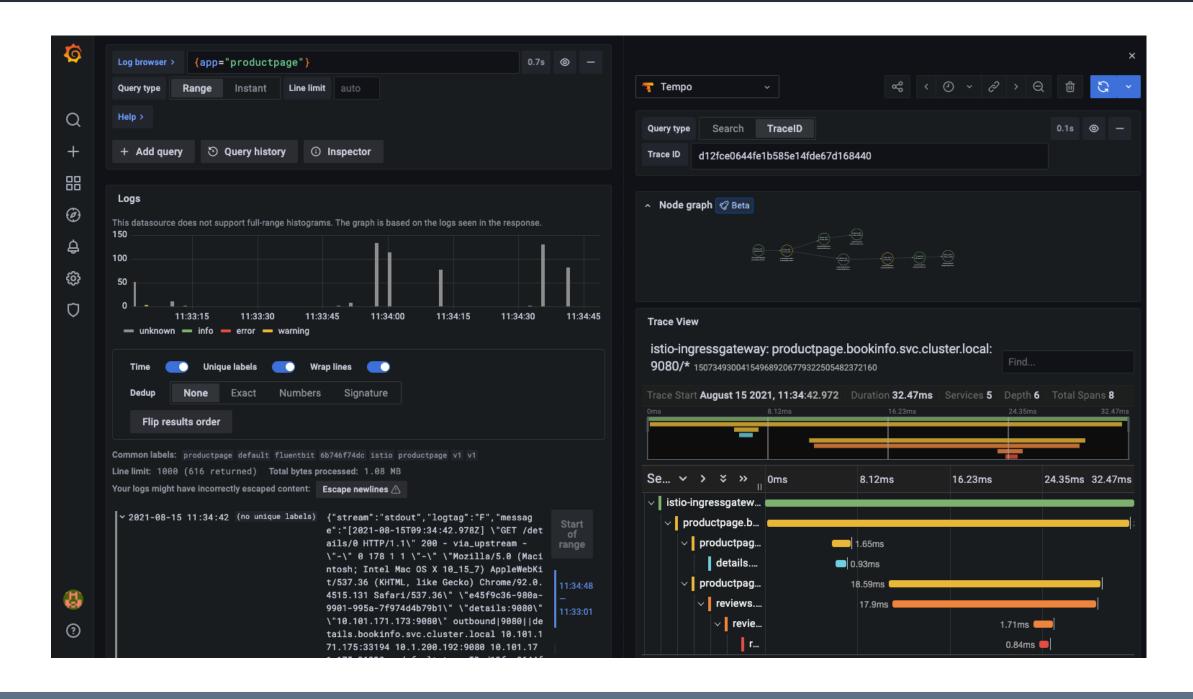
System.Diagnostics.ActivitySource

```
public MyLibraryService(ILogger<IndexModel> logger, IConfiguration config)
  _logger = logger;
  _activitySource = new ActivitySource(nameof(MyLibraryService));
public async Task<Result> DoSomeBlackMagic()
  using (var activity =
    _activitySource.StartActivity("Sync data"))
```

Diagnostics -> Traces

Diagnostics -> Logging

- Do logging !!
- Use ILogger<T> (from Microsoft.Extensions)
- Integrate with older generation projects *



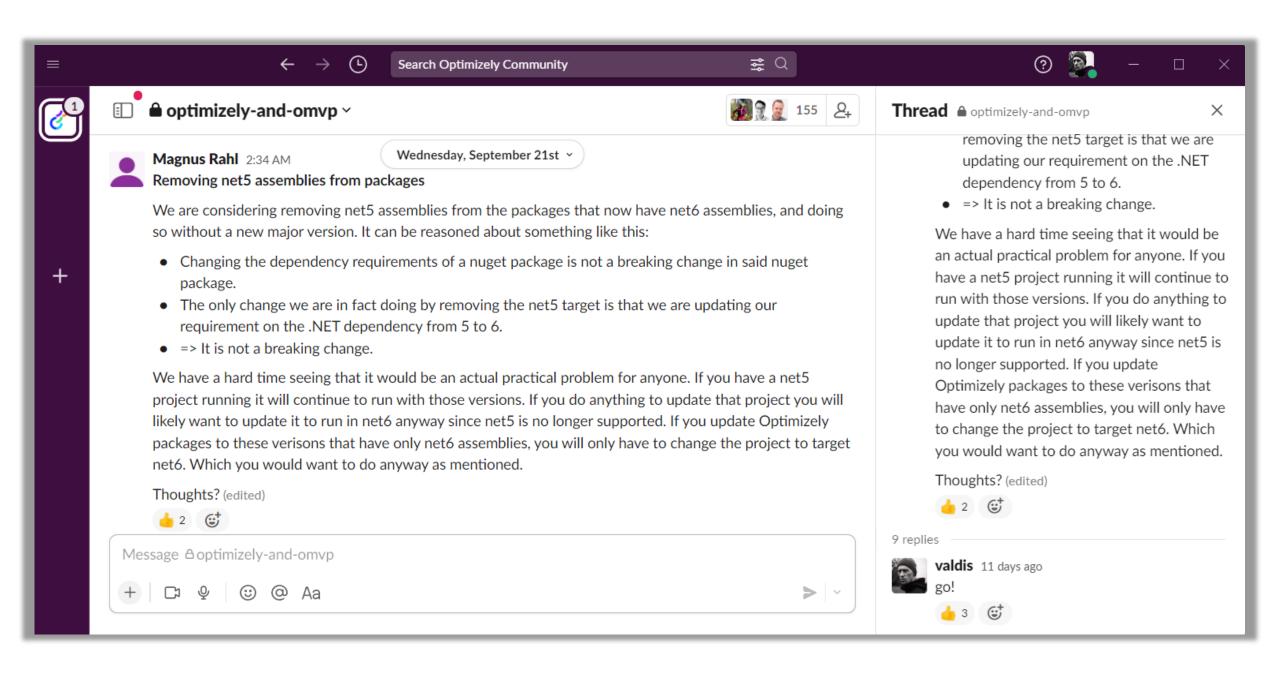
Hybrid Environments

Code Organization

- Treat your plugin as "onion" architecture
- Move as much as possible to "core"
- Leave platform specifics close to the "bark" layer

Target Framework Moniker

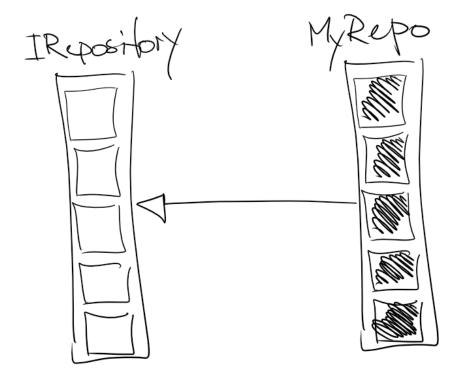
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net48
netstandardX.Y
netcore3.x
net5.0
net6.0
?
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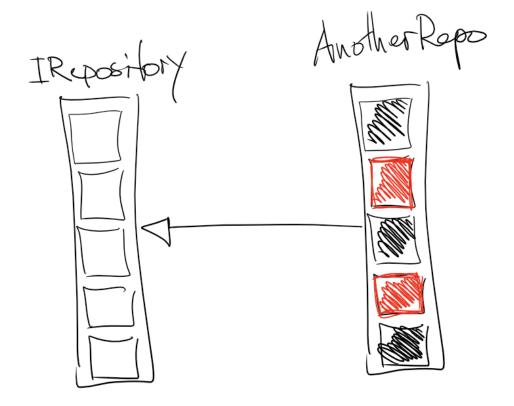


Package Versions

- Package rename or next major version?
- Keep versions in sync
- Retarget runtime -> major version++ (?)
- Pack just what you need

Pluggability

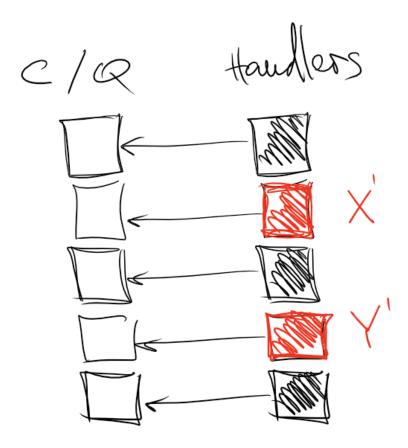




Play by the Rules - CQ(R)S

- Command / Query + Handler
- Register all defaults
- Micro MediatR built-in
- Option to override handler implementation
- Option to intercept handlers (ex. to add caching)

Handlers c/Q



```
public static IDbLocalizationProviderBuilder AddDbLocalizationProvider(
  this IServiceCollection services,
  Action<ConfigurationContext> setup = null)
  var factory = ctx.TypeFactory;
  // setup default implementations
  factory
    .ForQuery<AvailableLanguages.Query>()
    .SetHandler<AvailableLanguages.Handler>();
  factory
    .ForCommand<ClearCache.Command>()
    .SetHandler<ClearCacheHandler>();
```

```
public static IDbLocalizationProviderBuilder AddOptimizely(
    this IDbLocalizationProviderBuilder builder)

{
    // override handlers for Optimziely runtime
    builder.Context.TypeFactory
    .ForQuery<AvailableLanguages.Query>()
    .SetHandler<EPiServerAvailableLanguages.Handler>();
}
```

Play by the Rules - Data Access

- Careful with EF (package version hell)
- Refactored to plain SqlCommand pattern
- Gain performance up to 20%

Play by the Rules - Read-Only Database

- Respect environment settings (IDatabaseMode)
- Provide extension point for these checks in "core" layer

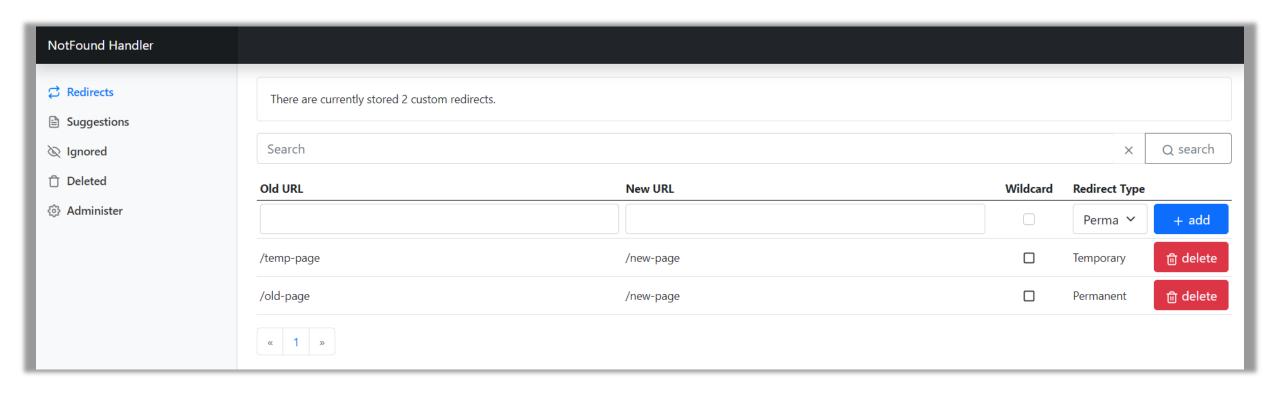
```
8 ─namespace DbLocalizationProvider.AspNetCore
     ---/// Extension to initialize and setup provider.
     /// <inheritdoc />
     1 reference | Valdis Iljuconoks, 255 days ago | 1 author, 1 change
     public class OptimizelyUsageConfigurator : IUsageConfigurator
      ···/// <inheritdoc />
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          public void Configure(ConfigurationContext context, IServiceProvider serviceProvider)
             ·//-respect configuration whether we should sync and register resources
             ·// skip if application currently is in read-only mode
              var dbMode = serviceProvider.GetRequiredService<IDatabaseMode>().DatabaseMode;
              if (context.DiscoverAndRegisterResources)
                  context.DiscoverAndRegisterResources = dbMode ≠ DatabaseMode.ReadOnly;
                     usageConfigurator.Configure(context, serviceFactory);
```

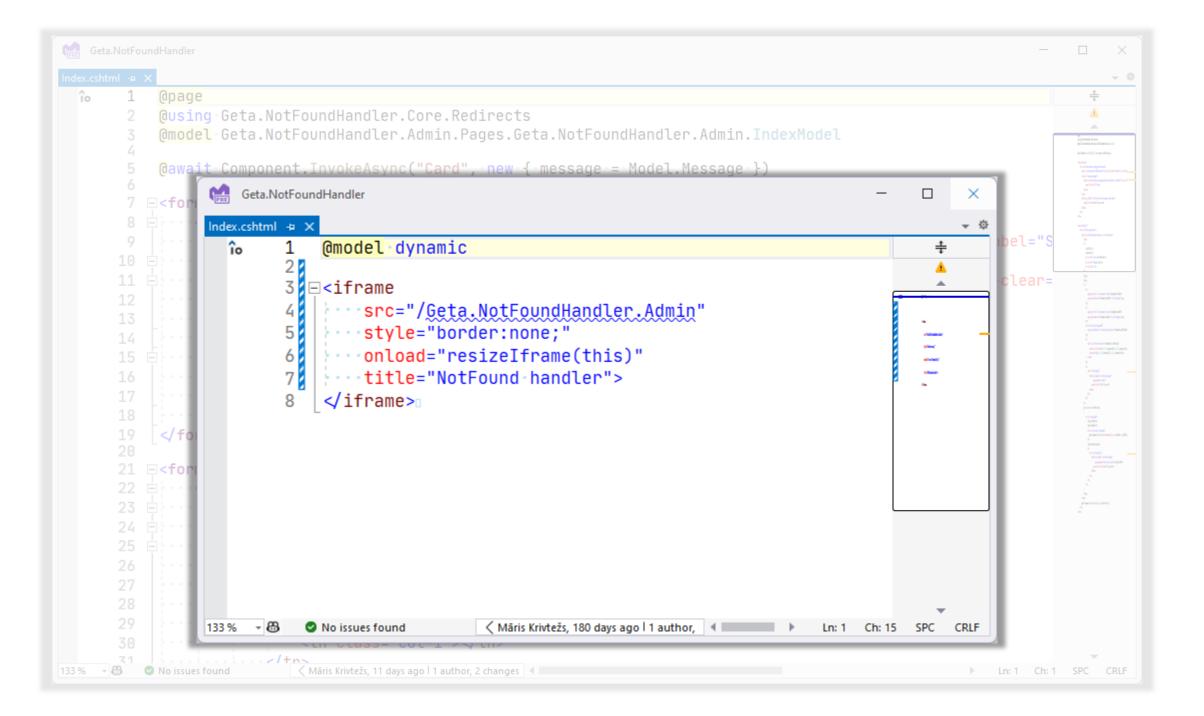
Play by the Rules - Caching

- Hidden behind in-house ICache
- Defaults to InMemoryCache
- In Optimizely uses EPiServer.CacheManager

Multi-Platform UI

- Build UI targeting ASP.NET Core (ex. RazorPages)
- Embed UI in the platform via specific "hosting" page
- Allow extension points to customize look & feel





Summary

Low-barrier setup
Well-behaved ecosystem citizen
Expose diagnostics
Think about your consumers

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