

HOW I FELT IN LOVE WITH API-FIRST CMS



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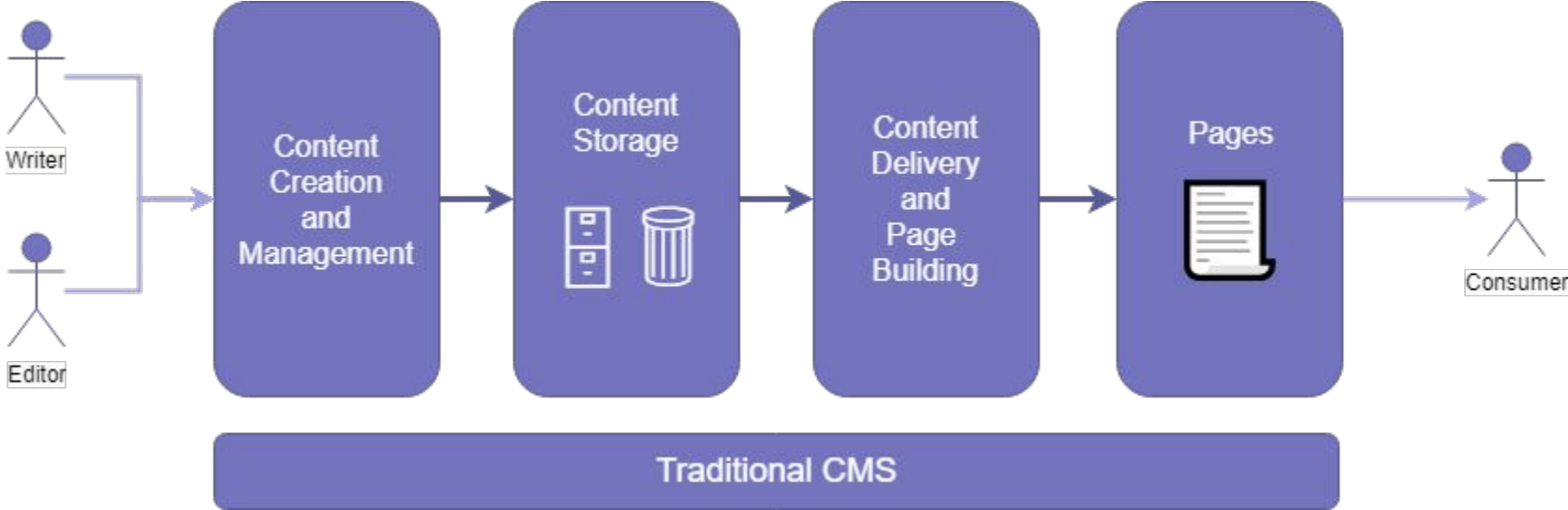
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CMS

- ▶ Content Management System
- ▶ One of the pathing stones on the way to web 2.0
- ▶ Non technical people can manage / create content on the web



Tradition CMS solutions



Through developers 🙄

- ▶ Clunky
- ▶ “Themes” are CSS changes
- ▶ Information is distributed across the system
- ▶ Tight coupling of concerns
 - ▶ Frontend needs to know Backend



**THAT IS NOT WHAT I
WANTED AT ALL!**





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I felt caught in one of those developer bubbles where we force pain onto each other because we think things need to be hard.

While really we just hadn't figured out a good way, yet...

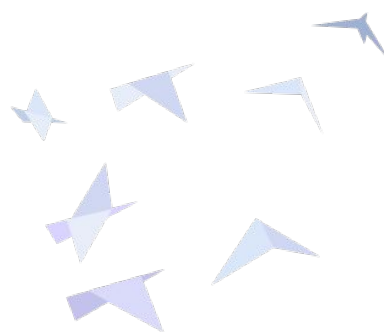
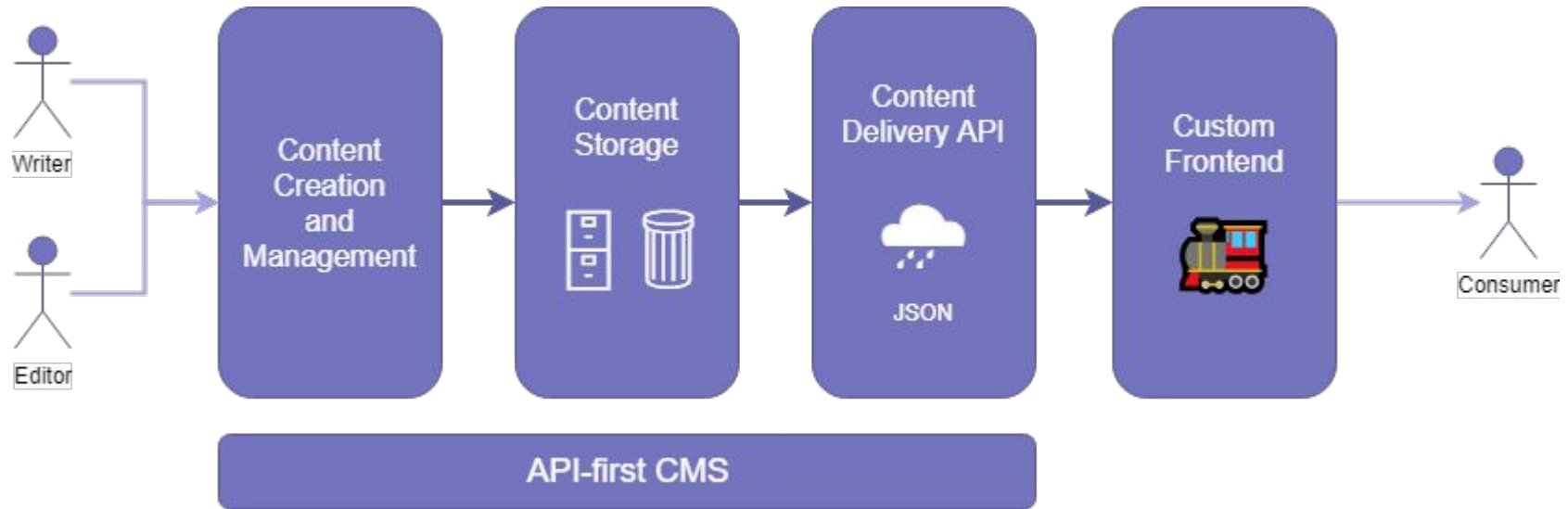
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The optimal CMS (developers point of view)

- ▶ Clean and precise definition of how content can be retrieved.
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API-first CMS solutions



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Suggestions and sources

- ▶ SaaS: Contentful, Dato
- ▶ Open Source: Strapi, Cockpit, Directus

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