Web Apps:
You're doing it wrong!

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I started programming because…

Well… I guess it must have been 'fun', because I enjoyed it!

Computers were Big

smaller

↓

very small

↓

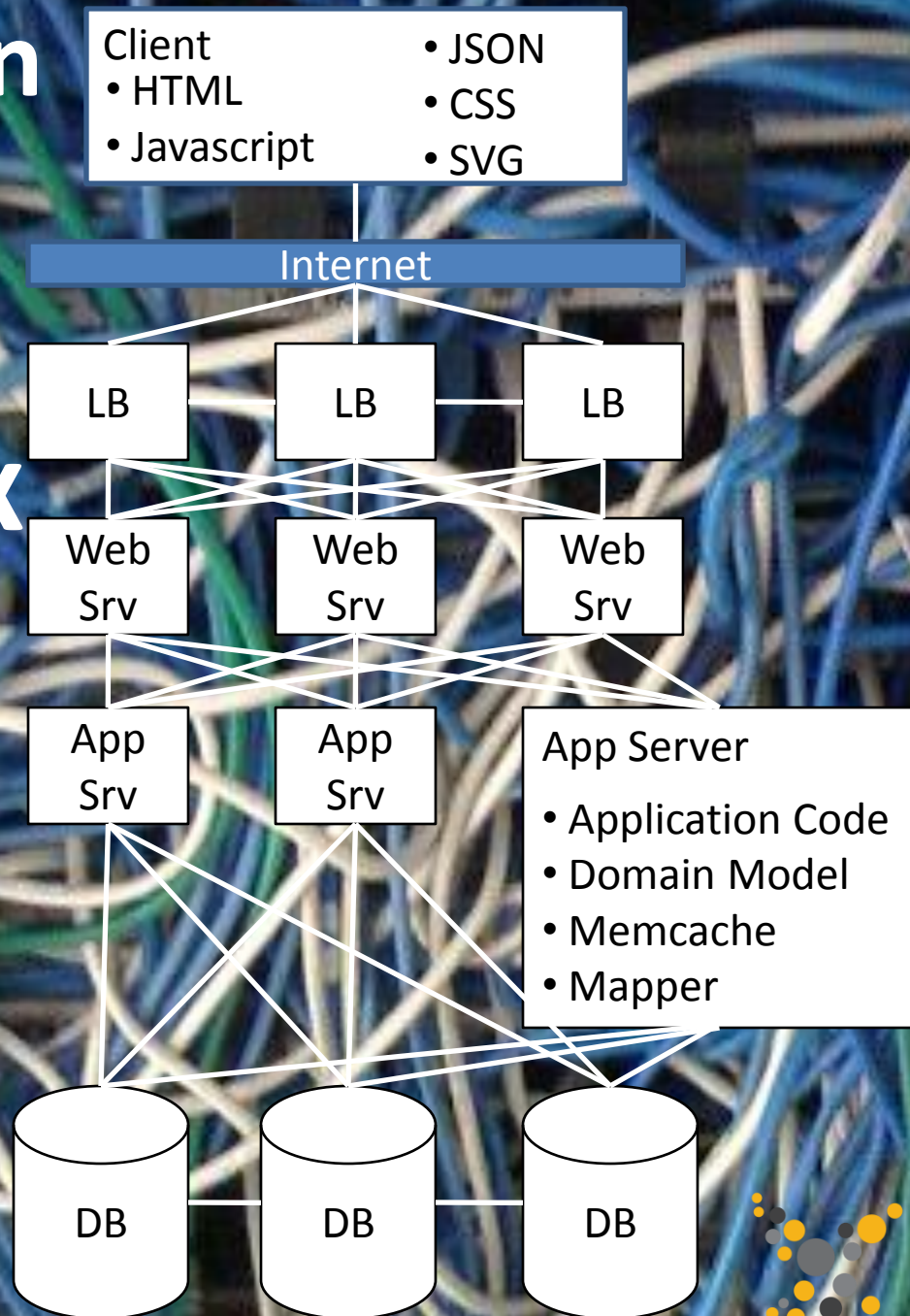Di str i b
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EVERYWHERE

Making things easier!

STOP: C0000218 Unkno
Unknown Hard Error
unknown

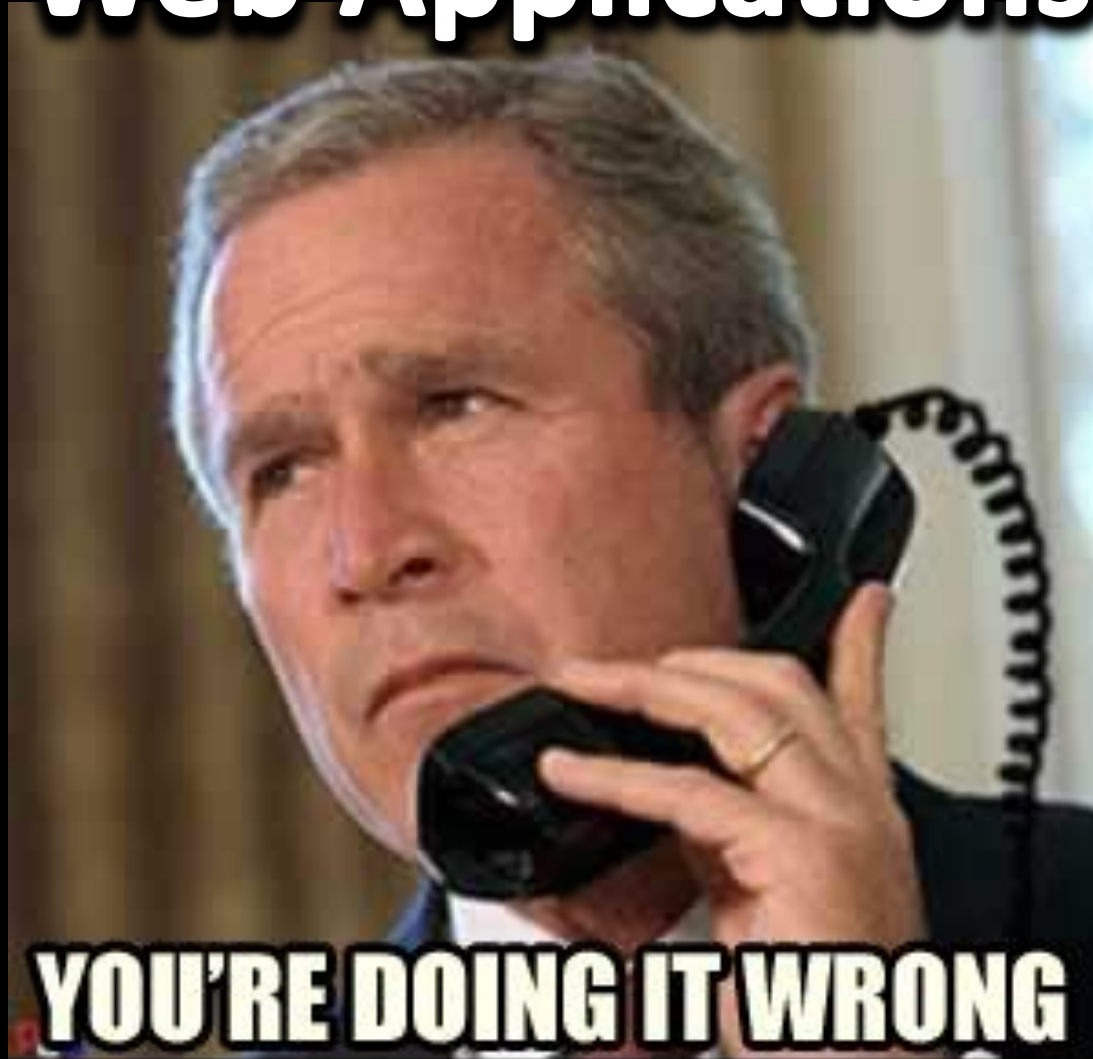But then... Some days you spend all day down the code mine and you don't get anywhere!

Its been 19 years now! This stuff should be
= 19 * fun + 19 * easy

Web Application Architecture became more complex

Client
- HTML
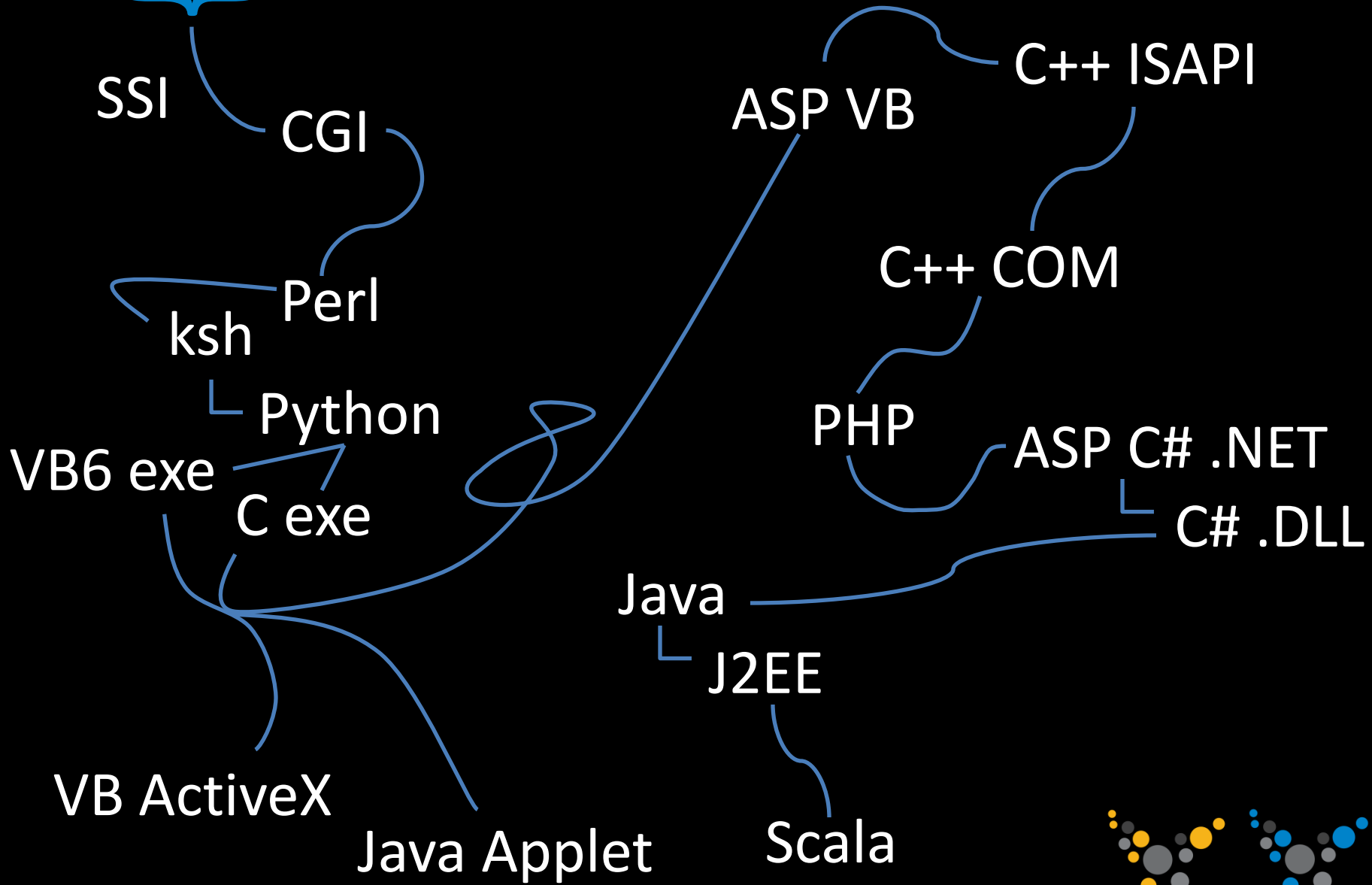- Javascript
- JSON
- CSS
- SVG

Internet

LB — LB — LB

Web Srv — Web Srv — Web Srv

App Srv — App Srv — App Server
- Application Code
- Domain Model
- Memcache
- Mapper

DB — DB — DB

Web Applications

YOU'RE DOING IT WRONG

In my past (maybe yours), I built Web apps using…

SSI

CGI

ASP VB

C++ ISAPI

Perl

C++ COM

ksh

Python

PHP

ASP C# .NET

VB6 exe

C exe

C# .DLL

Java

J2EE

VB ActiveX

Java Applet

Scala

It had been a dark time,
but then...

XML

There were enough XML
specifications, to build a complete
Web app, with just
XML technology.

Flatter is better!

Client
- HTML
- Javascript
- JSON
- CSS
- SVG

Internet

XML Srv — XML Srv — XML Srv

Your using

XML Web Apps

The XRX+ house

**When everything is XML
its like building with Lego**

(me)

What is XRX+?

XML

XQuery

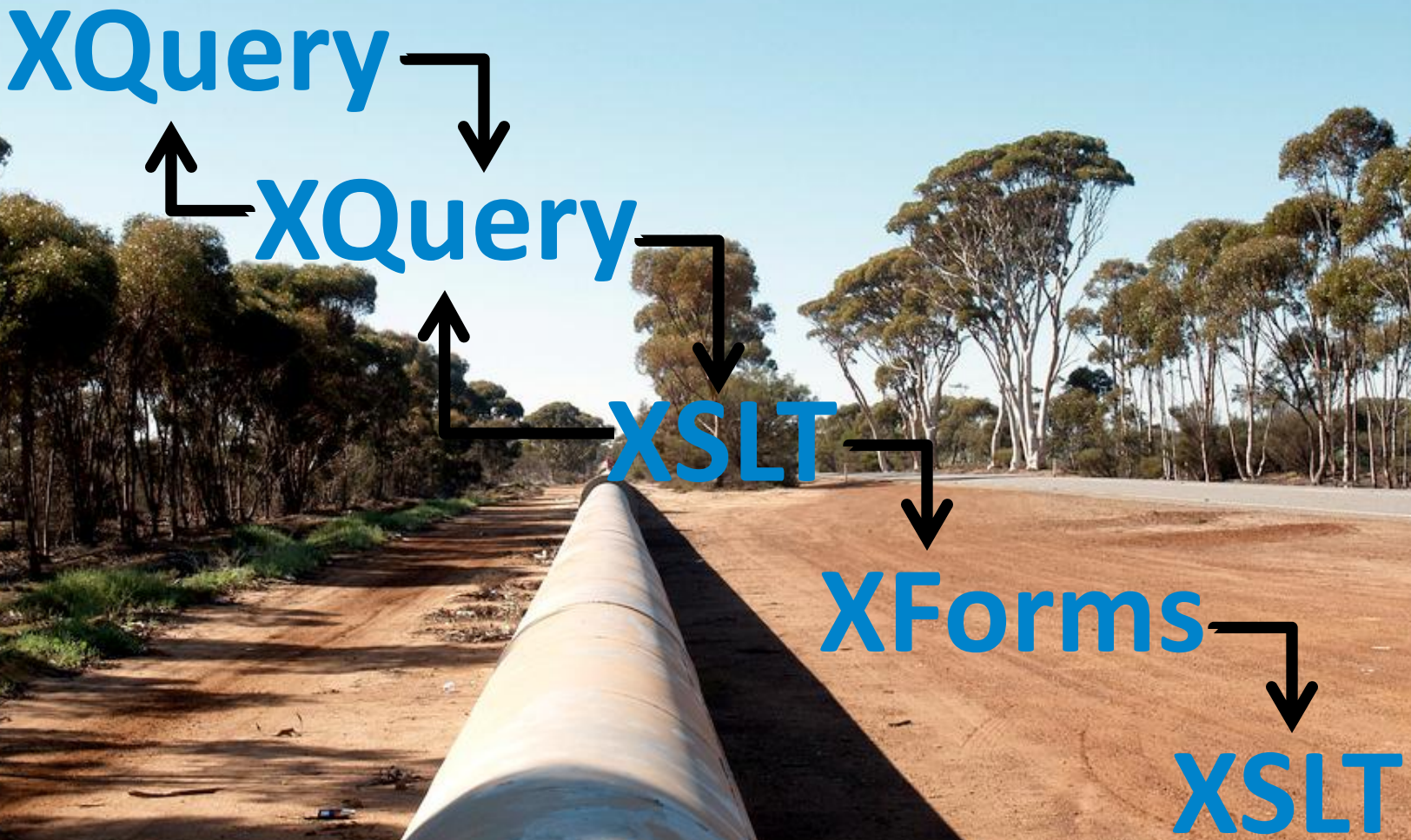**XForms**

+

XSLT   **EXPath**

XInclude   **XUpdate**

XQuery Update

Feels like a pipeline

XQuery

XQuery

XSLT

XForms

XSLT

How's it work?

REST Server

URL Rewriting (XQuery)

NXD ↔ XQuery ↔ XSLT

Serialization (XML / Text / XHTML / HTML5 / EXI / Binary)

XForm Filter
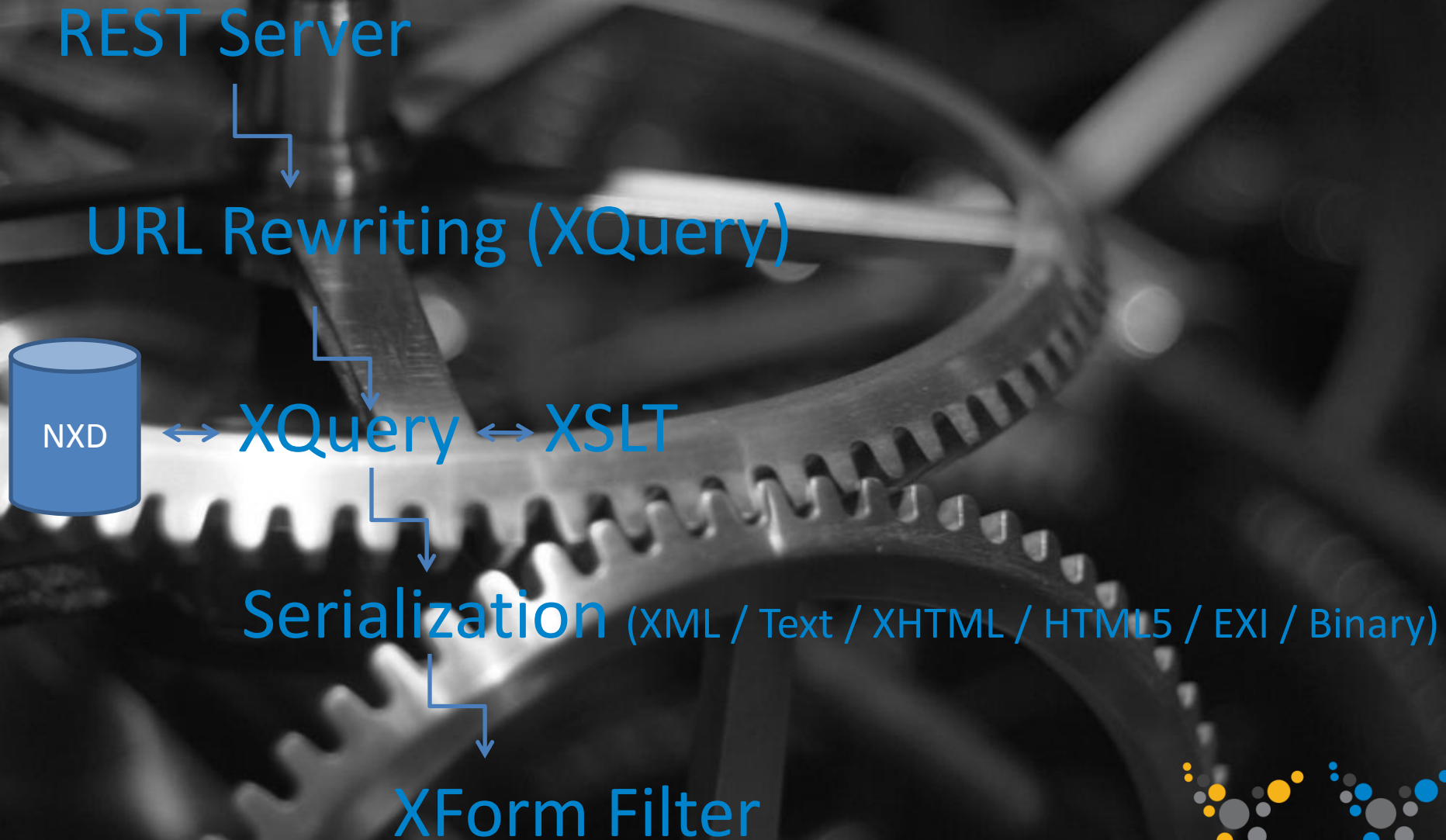
++ some extensions

email

Math

SQL

XSL-FO

Security + ACL

File Utils

XQuery

Image Processing

XSLT

Subversion

ZIP + GZip

HTTP

XMLDB

FTP

Date and Time

HTTP

XSLT

EXI

XProc

Geo-Spatial

HTTP Server

Binary

Versioning

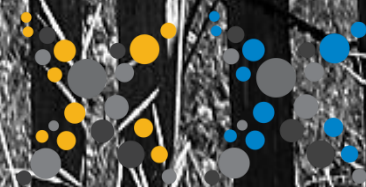**EXIF**

Full Text

XMP

Standardise the extensions
EXPath

...so what?

No barriers between Data and Processing

Fast development

No Data Access Layer/Mapper

~ 57% LoC Reduction (ETH)

Picture from Peninsula Humane Society

XQuery Web Apps make you feel Cool

Rapid

Easy

Agile

Safe

But the Kids...