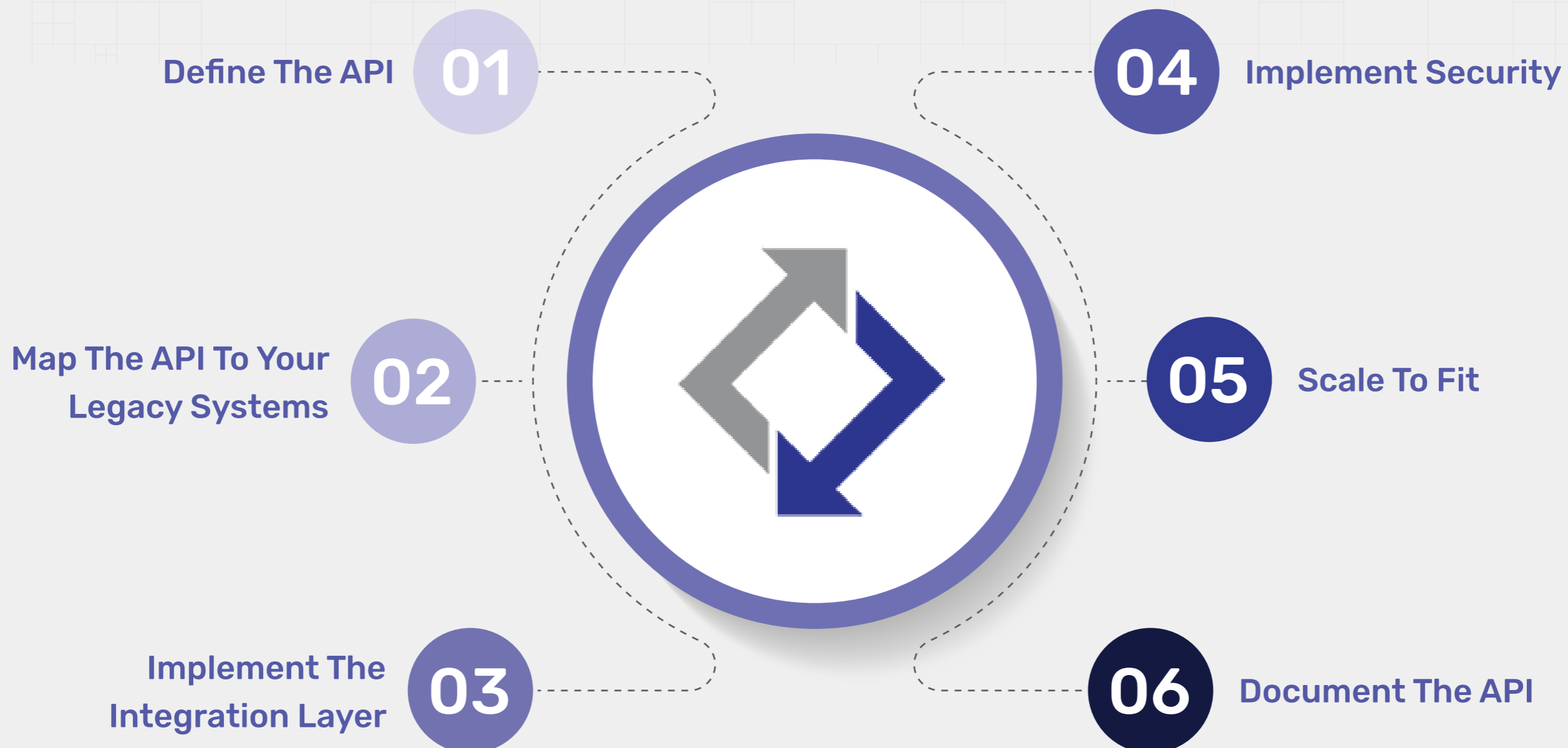


ARE YOU READY TO BEGIN LEVERAGING APIs?

Defining your company's API strategy before embracing your legacy and adopting APIs is necessary. Start by following these six steps:



Define The API

Choose what data and processes will be exposed by the API and how they will benefit consumers.

Step

01

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02

Map The API To Your Legacy Systems

Creating a functional API requires mapping the new API's data elements to existing systems, databases, ERPs, internal APIs, etc.

Implement The Integration Layer

APIs can be implemented in a variety of ways. But, again, this is more about system integration than developing new apps if the goal is to extend legacy data and processes.

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03

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Implement Security

Security is paramount because APIs expose data and functionality from your company. In addition to API security, threat protection, identity services, infrastructure security, and compliance must also be considered.

Scale To Fit

It's essential to be aware of transaction volume to avoid a sudden API usage surge bringing down your backend systems.

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06

Document The API

A well-designed API is usually self-explanatory, but additional documentation in the schema benefits third-party business partners, system integrators, and developers of mobile applications.