



# MySQL, Node, & Testcontainers

Testing Done Right

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# Obligatory "I Love Me" Slide

- Full-stack developer before we were called "full-stack" developers
- The only constant in my development stack has been MySQL
- Die-hard NY Giants Fan
- I've become smitten with writing tests for code
- I have the best office mate!





# Why bother with testing code?



- Find bugs faster
- Helps in debugging
- Can assist in reducing code complexity
- Improved code quality
- Adjunct to documentation





# Unit Tests vs. Integration Tests

## Unit Tests

- Focused on a single function or method.
  - Testing in isolation



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# Unit Tests vs. Integration Tests

## Integration Tests

- Tests complete, end-to-end processes
- Verifies that the different parts of the application work together as expected.



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# Why is Testing With a DB Challenging?

- Testing DB interaction is a combo of unit and integration testing (from a certain point of view)
- Database testing should be done on an island
  - The database may not be approved to run locally for testing



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# Testcontainers to the Rescue!

*"Testcontainers is an open-source framework for providing throwaway, lightweight instances of databases, message brokers, web browsers, or just about anything that can run in a Docker container."*

- Testcontainers Website

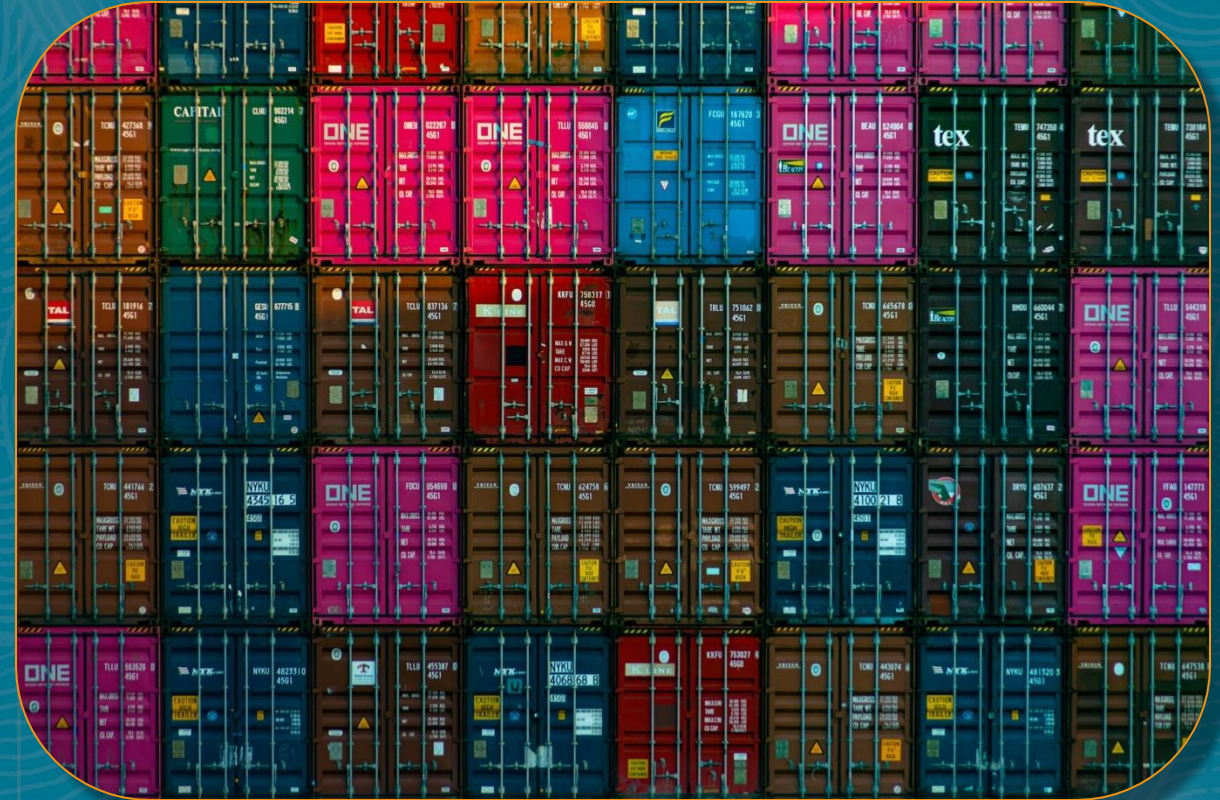
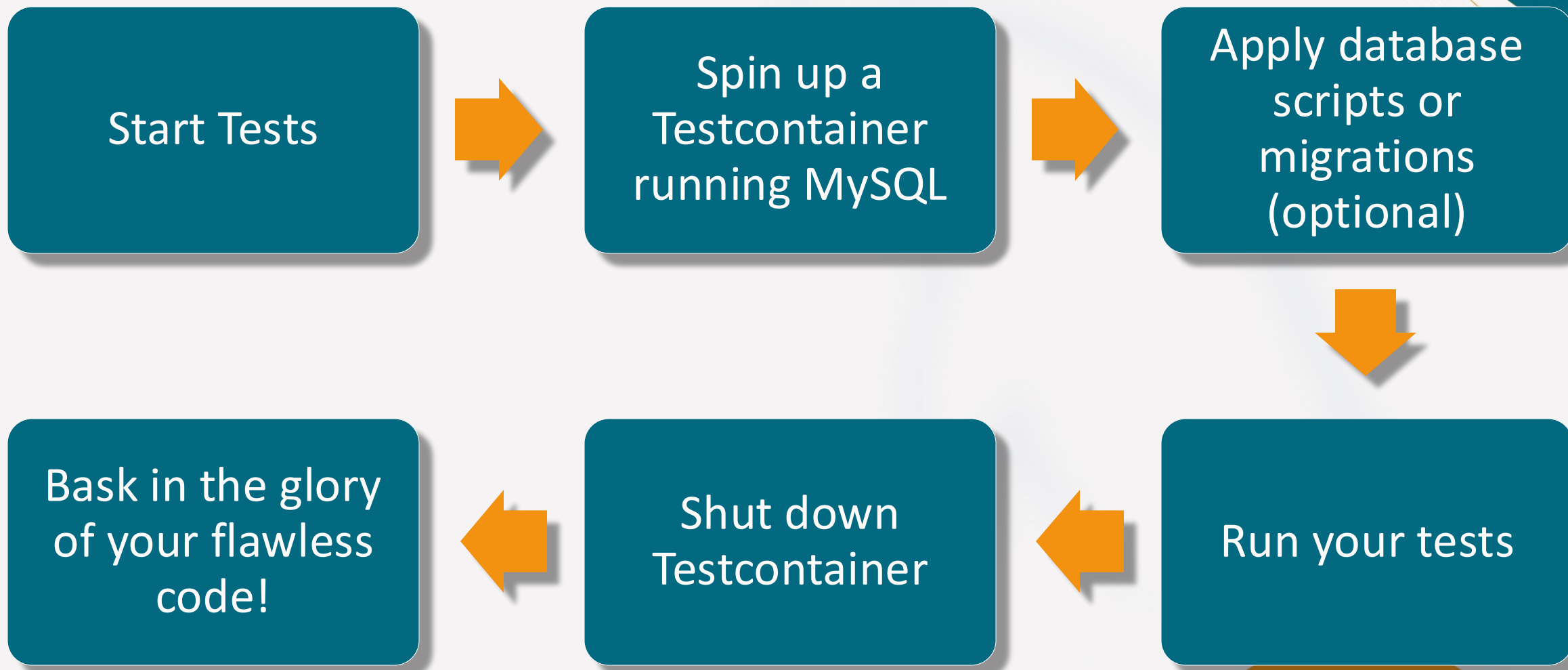


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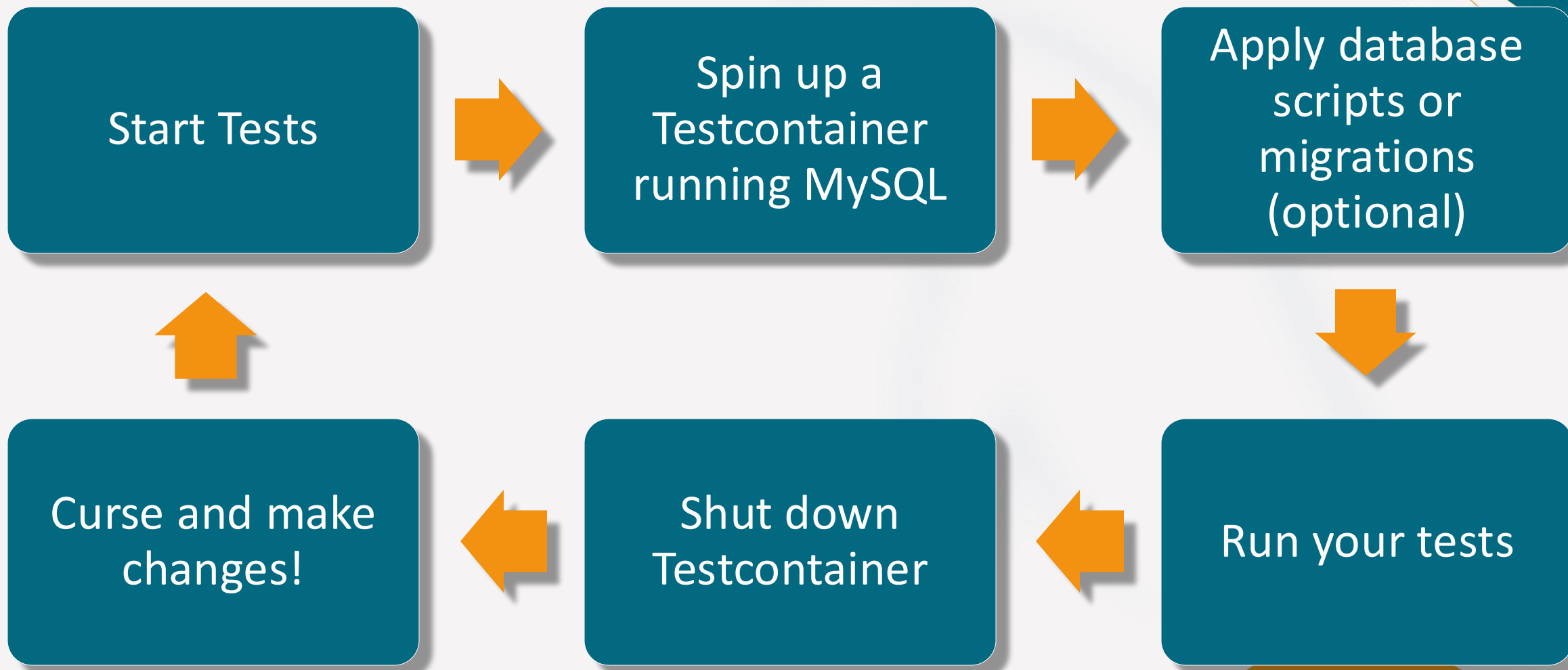


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# Node Test Runner

- Built-in Test Runner
  - Version 18 or higher
- Eliminates the need for third-party dependencies
- Supports similar syntax and structure of Mocha, Jasmine, and Jest.



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## Project Structure

```

  ✓  repository
      JS userRepository.js
  ✓  setup
      JS ddl.js
  ✓  test
      JS userRepository.test.js
  ✓  utils
      JS DataUtils.js
  package.json

```







## Our Test File

```
import { test, describe, before, after } from 'node:test'
import { strict as assert } from 'node:assert'
import { MySQLContainer } from '@testcontainers/mysql'
import { faker } from '@faker-js/faker'
import { ddl } from '../setup/ddl.js'
import UserRepo from '../repository/userRepository.js'
import DataUtils from '../utils/DataUtils.js'

describe('Scott's Amazing Test Demo!!', async (t) => {
  let container
  1 let userRepo
  let dataUtils

  2 before(async ()=>{
    3 container = await new MySQLContainer()
      .withExposedPorts(3306, 33060)
      .start();

    4 userRepo = new UserRepo(
      container.getUsername(),
      container.getUserPassword(),
      container.getHost(),
      container.getMappedPort(33060),
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    )

    5 await ddl.createUserTable(
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  })

  7 after(async ()=>{
    8 await container.stop()
  })

  9 await test('Container should be running', async (t)=>{
    10 const queryResult =
      await container.executeQuery("SELECT 1 as res")
    11 assert.ok(queryResult.includes("res\n1\n"))
  });

  12 await test('Should create user', async(t)=>{
    13 const name= faker.internet.username()
    console.log(`Test name: ${name}.`)
    14 await userRepo.createUser({name: name})
    15 const queryResult = await dataUtils.getUserByName(name)
    16 assert.equal(1, queryResult.length)
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import * as mysqlx from '@mysql/xdevapi'
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  2 constructor(dbUser, dbPassword, dbHost, dbPort, schemaName) {
    3 this.#connectionUrl =
      `mysqlx://${dbUser}:${dbPassword}@${dbHost}:${dbPort}/${schemaName}`
    4 this.#pool = mysqlx.getClient(this.#connectionUrl, {
      pooling: {
        enabled: true,
        maxSize: 10,
        maxIdleTime: 20000,
        queueTimeout: 5000
      }
    })
  }
  5 async getSession(){
    return await this.#pool.getSession()
  }
  6 async createUser(user) {
    const session = await this.getSession();
    7 const db = session.getSchema();
    const table = db.getTable('user');
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  async getUserByName(name) {
    let ret = [];
    const session = await this.getSession();
    const sql = `select id, name from user where name = '${name}'`
    const rows = await session.sql(sql).execute()
    ret = this.formatData(rows)
    session.close();
    return ret;
  }

  formatData(rows){
    const data = rows.toArray()
    const columns = rows.getColumns()
    let ret = [];
    data.forEach((row) =>{
      let obj = {};
      row[0].forEach((item, i) =>{
        obj[columns[i].getColumnLabel()] = item;
      })
      ret.push(obj)
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            obj[columns[i].getColumnLabel()] = item;
        }
        ret.push(obj)
    }
    return ret;
}
```





## Running the Tests

```
node --test 1
Test name: Rodrigo_Bernhard61. 2
▶ Scott's Amazing Test Demo!!
  ✓ Container should be running (64.001ms)
  ✓ Should create user (19.057708ms)
✓ Scott's Amazing Test Demo!! (11088.665792ms)
i tests 2 3
i suites 1 4
i pass 2 5
i fail 0
i cancelled 0
i skipped 0
i todo 0
i duration_ms 11535.621333 6
```







# Best Practices







# AVOID HARD-CODED VALUES!!



```
await test('My test', async() => {  
  const testVal = myObj.addNumbers(4,6)  
  assert.equal(testVal, 10)  
})
```

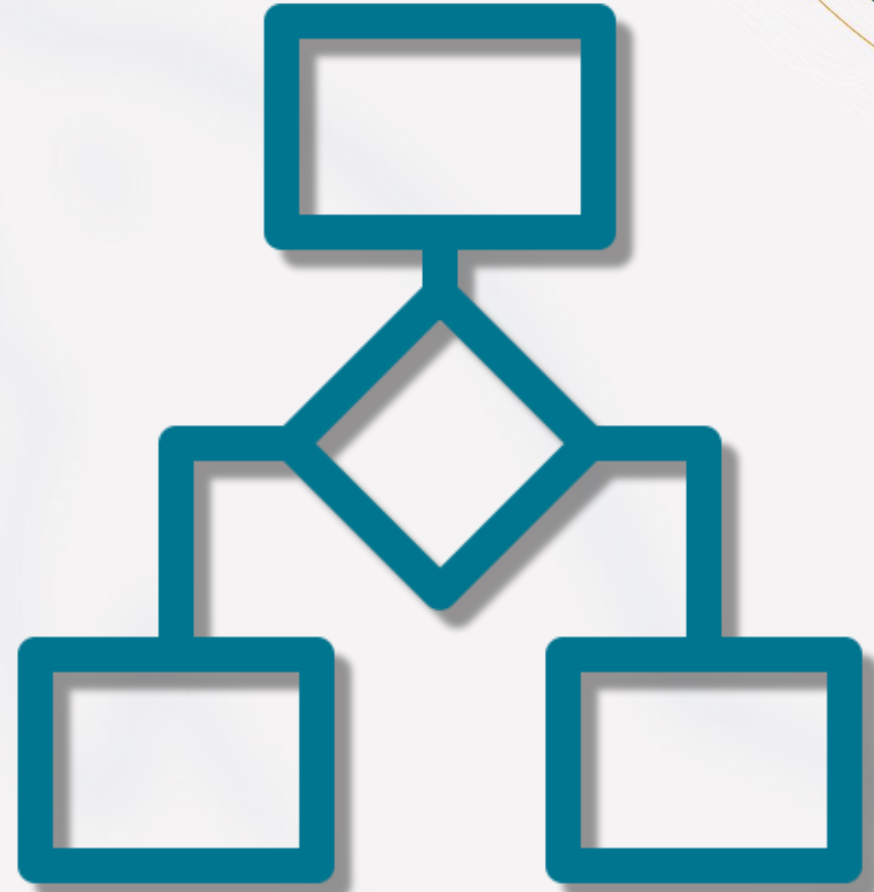
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addNumbers(num1, num2){  
  return 10  
}
```



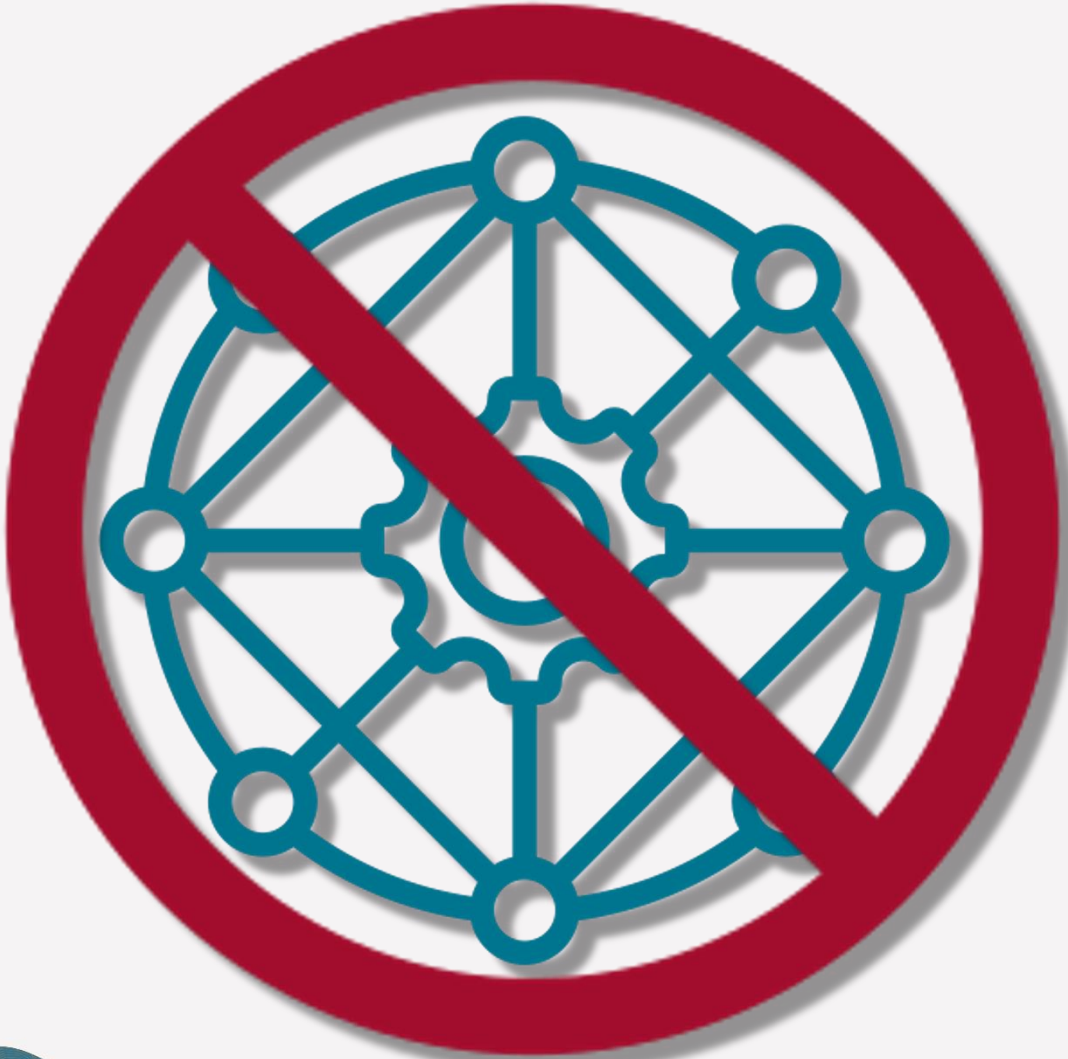


# Best Practices

- Have a test for **EVERY** logical condition.
  - Every **if ()** should have at least 2 tests.
  - Every **case** in a switch/case should have at least one test.
    - And one for the default case.



# Best Practices



- Each unit test should only test **ONE** possible scenario
  - A single unit test should not check multiple logical conditions
- Unit tests should be simple
  - More complexity means more trouble
  - Makes code easier to read and follow







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# Best Practices

- Each Unit test should be independent of every other test
  - The success of a test should **NEVER** rely on the result of any other test
- Mock data and stub requests to external functions or APIs





# Best Practices



- All tests should be automated!
  - Preferably part of your CI/CD process
- Use unit tests **AND** integration tests!





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# Q&A

Thank You!

