

The Test Suite Holy Trinity

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First a sad story....

.... about a dark time

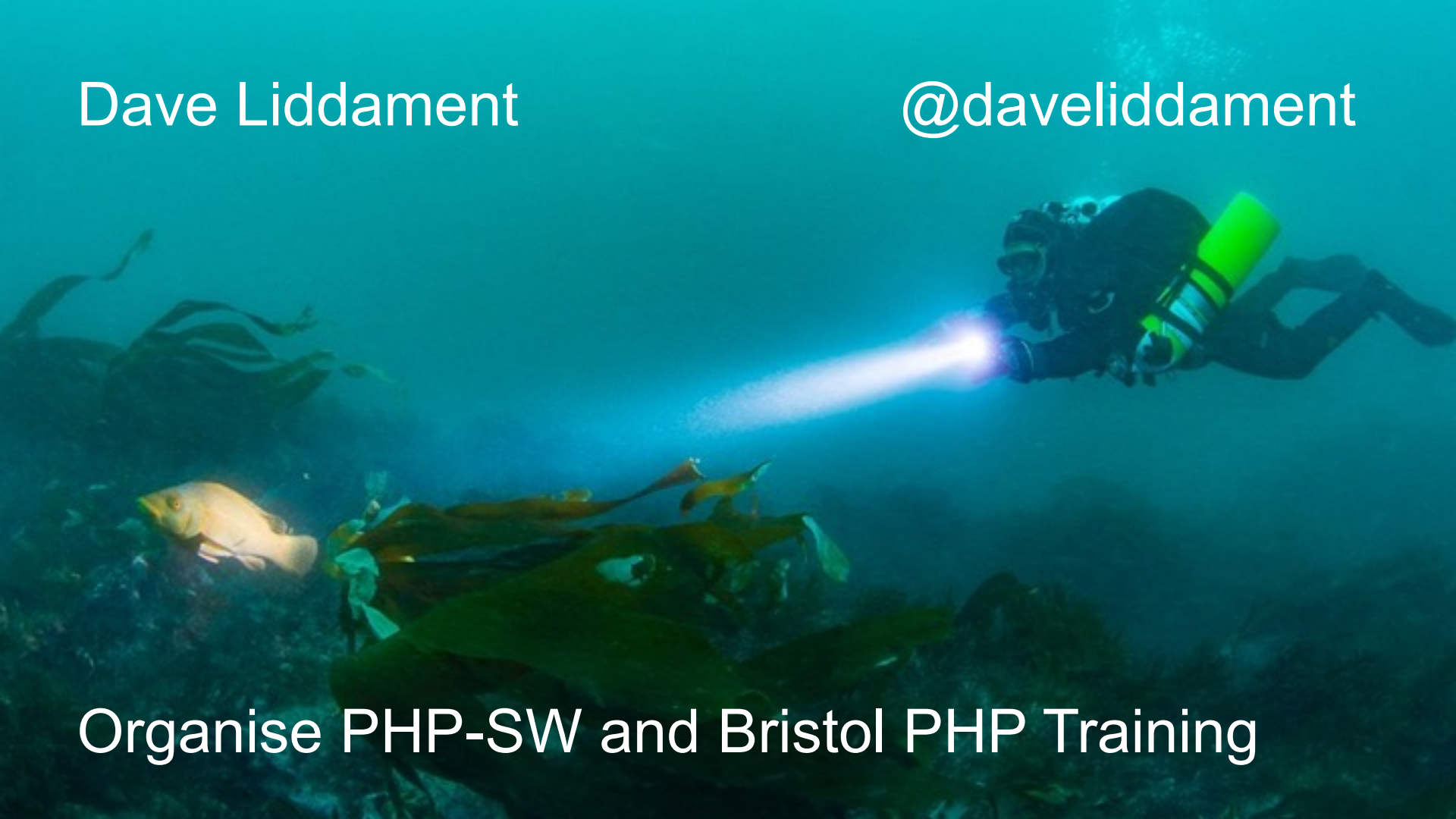
I still have nightmares

Why this talk?

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Back to the **nightmare**...

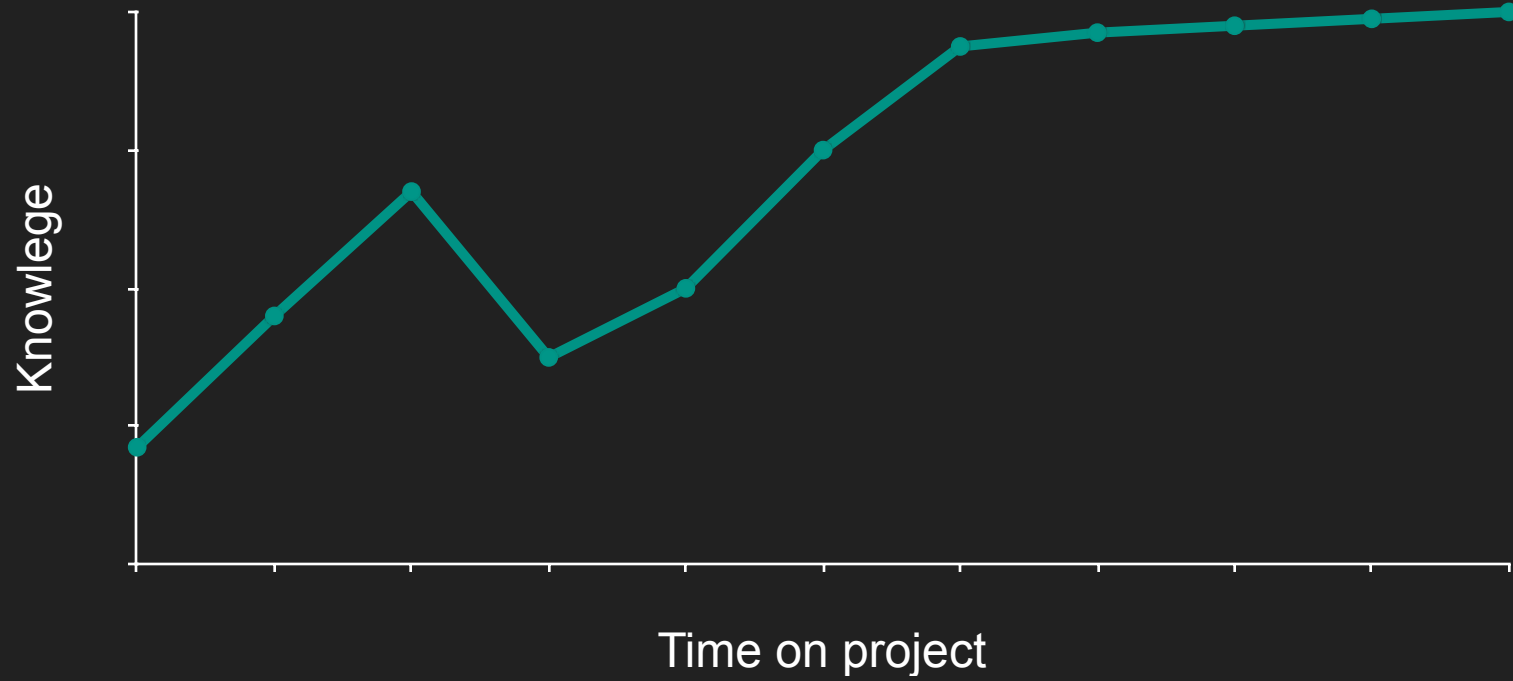
#1 I didn't know much
about developing high
quality software

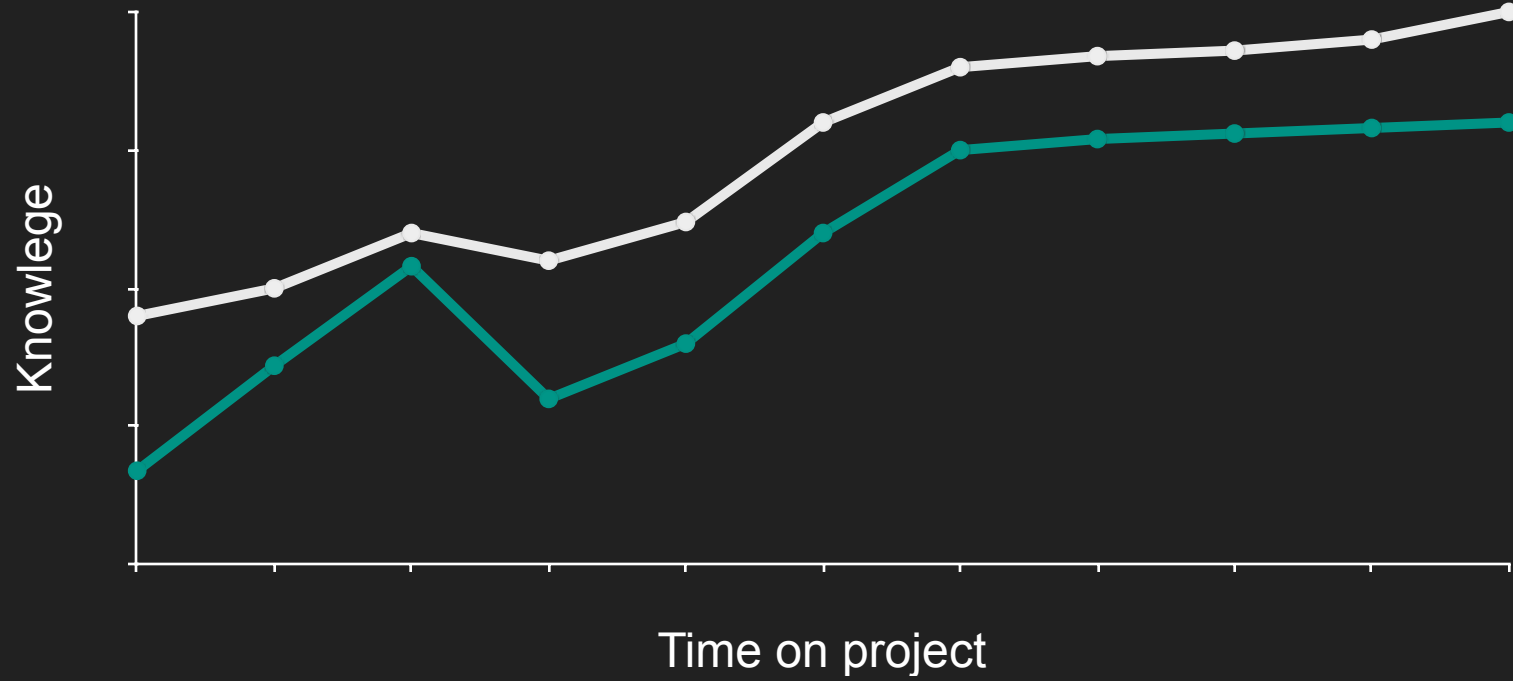
#2 Copy someone who
does know about
developing high quality
software

We need tests

We need a **test suite**

Ability to **refactor** is
important





A quick recap...

A test suite...

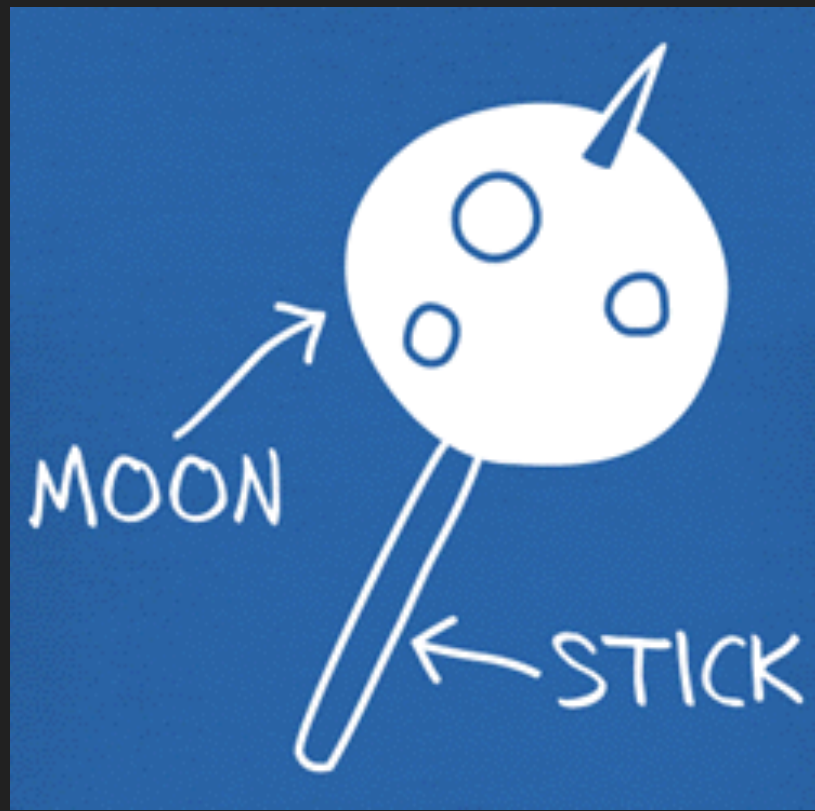
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The ideal **test suite**...

Fast to execute

High coverage

Low maintenance



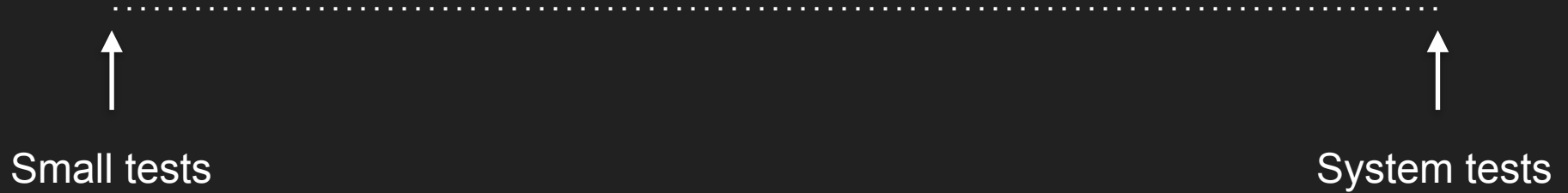
The Holy Trinity...

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Testing Continuum



Small test example

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    public function isValid(string $password) : bool
```


Test cases required

- Valid password:
 - Passw0rd
- Invalid passwords
 - Too short: Passw0r
 - No digit: Password
 - No upper case: psssw0rd
 - No lower case: PASSWORD

```
class PasswordValidatorTest extends TestCase
{
    public function dataProvider() : array
    {
        return [
            [ "valid"          => [ true, "Passw0rd" ] ],
            [ "tooShort"       => [ false, "Passw0r" ] ],
            [ "noDigit"        => [ false, "Password" ] ],
            [ "noUpperCase"    => [ false, "passw0rd" ] ],
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    }
}
```

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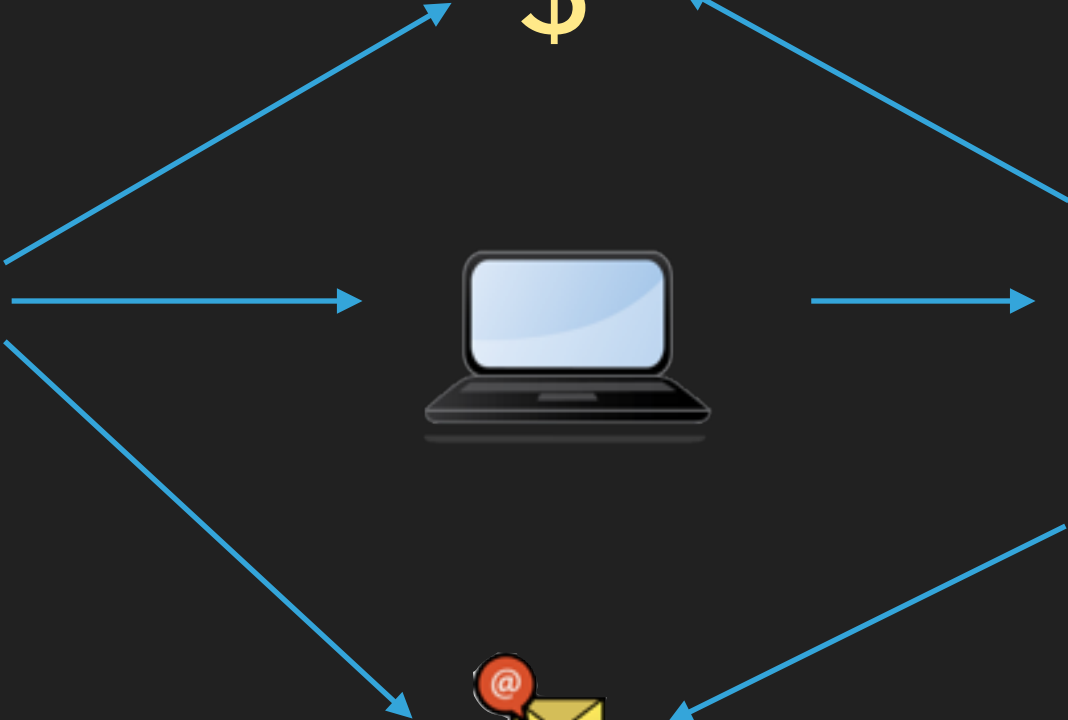
...

```
/**
 * @dataProvider dataProvider
 */
public function testValidator(
    bool $expectedResult,
    string $inputValue
) {

    $validator = new PasswordValidator();
    $actualResult = $validator->isValid($inputValue);
    $this->assertEquals($expectedResult, $actualResult);
}
```

Take away:
Unit test this kind of
logic

System tests



Testing continuum

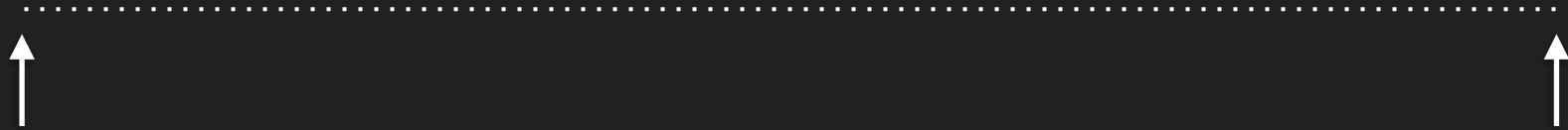
Testing continuum

#1 Fast to execute

Testing Continuum: Automation

All

Some



Small tests

System tests

Testing Continuum: Speed of execution

Fast

Slow



Small tests

System tests

Testing continuum

#2 High coverage

Testing Continuum: Coverage

High

Low

Low

High



Small tests



System tests

Testing continuum

#3 Low maintenance

Testing Continuum: Speed of writing

Fast

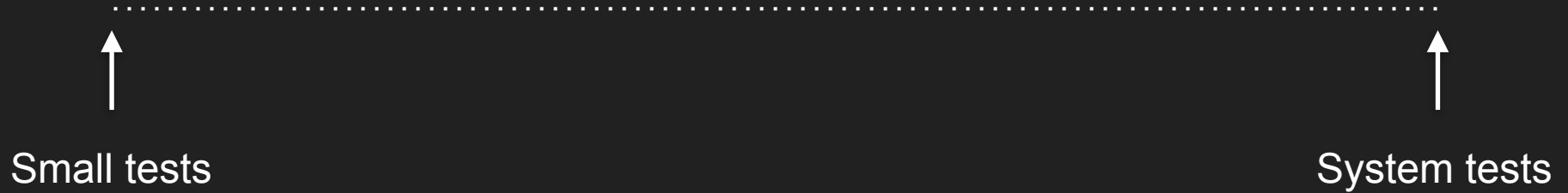
Slow

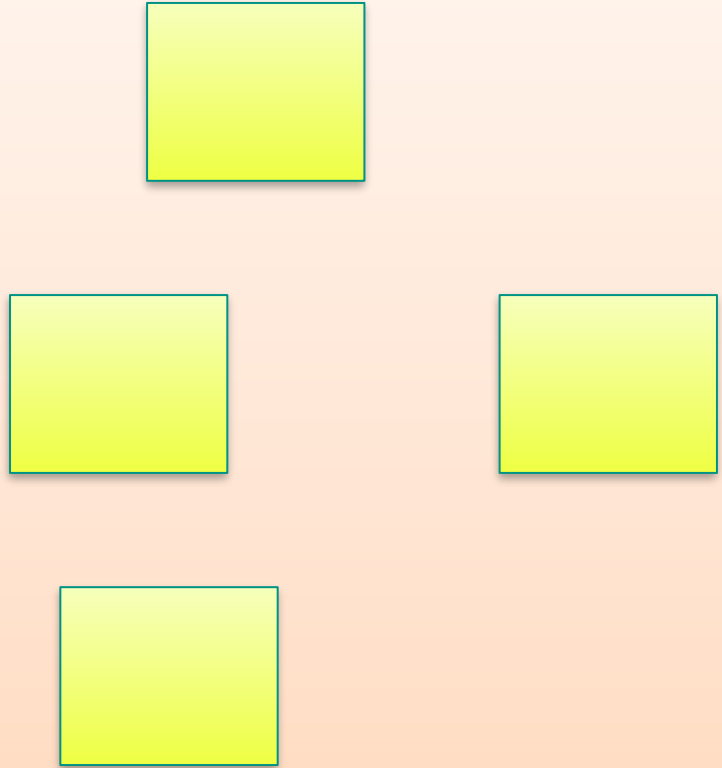
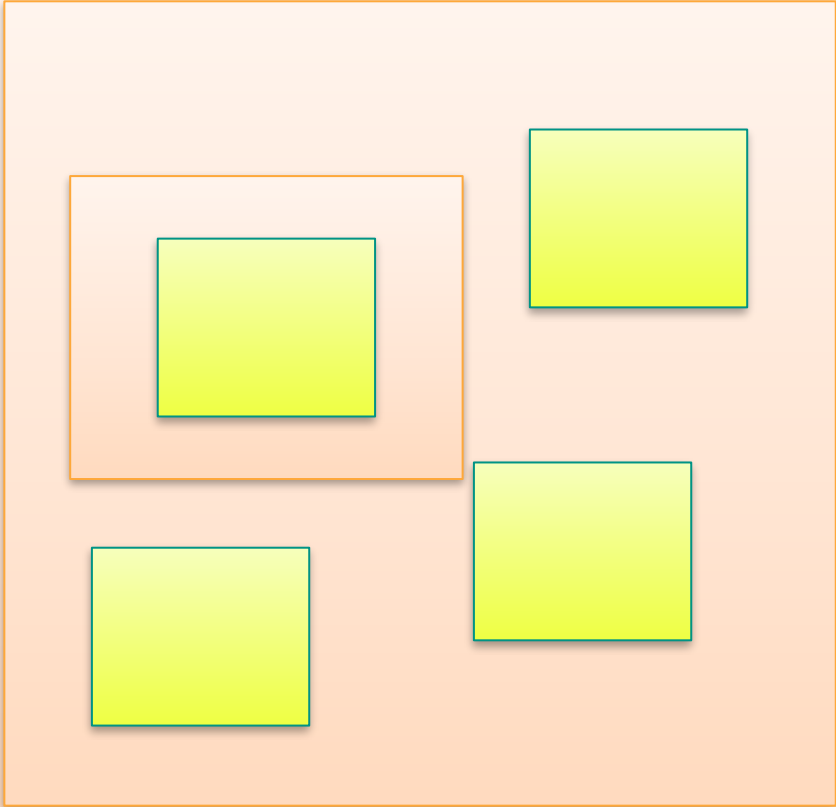


Small tests

System tests

Testing Continuum: Debug speed





Testing Continuum: Debug speed

Fast

Slow



Small tests

System tests

Testing Continuum: Robustness

Robust*

Fragile



Small tests

System tests

Testing Continuum: Refactoring scope

Small

Large*



Small tests

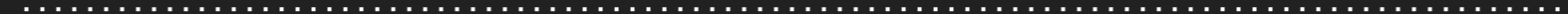
System tests

Other considerations

Testing Continuum: Phew factor

Small

Large



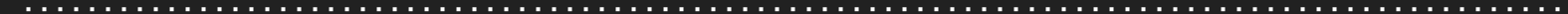
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Testing Continuum: Bearing on reality

Not much

Close



Small tests

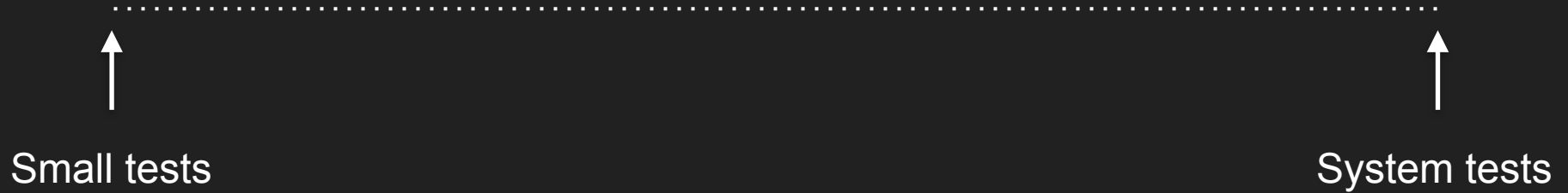


System tests

So far nothing too
controversial

Where along the testing
continuum should we test?

Testing Continuum: *Where should we test?*

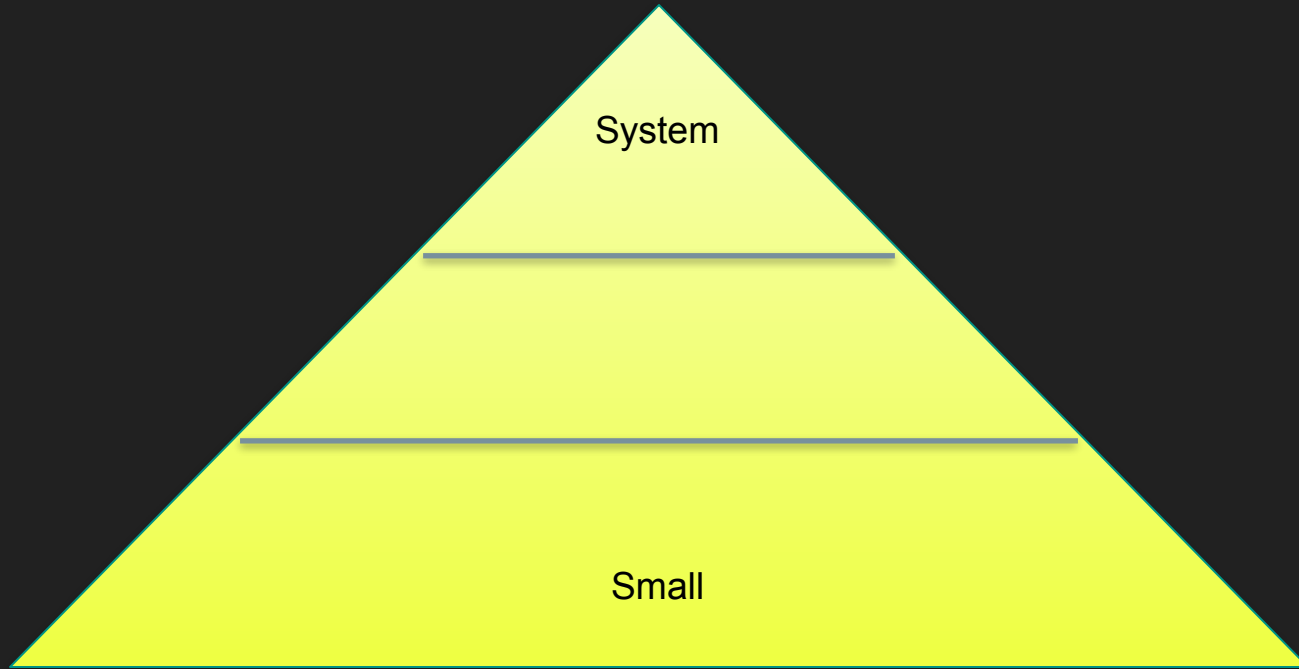


Nothing is black and white

Everything is a compromise

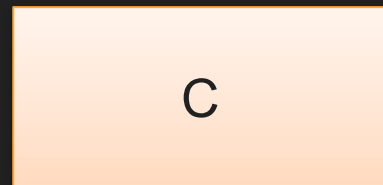
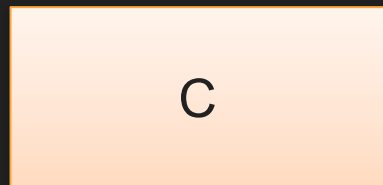
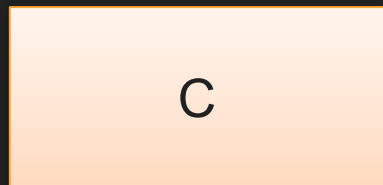
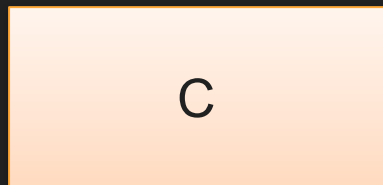
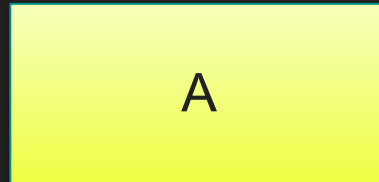
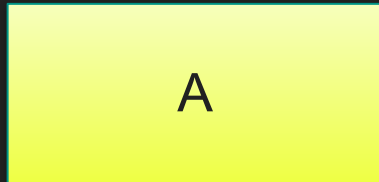
Be pragmatic

Test Pyramid



Test pyramid is still a
compromise

Test in layers



Test in layers - we all do this

PHP application code

PHP instructions / 3rd party libraries

Machine code running on computer

VALUE OF
SMALL TEST

HIGH

Algorithms

Complex code

LOW

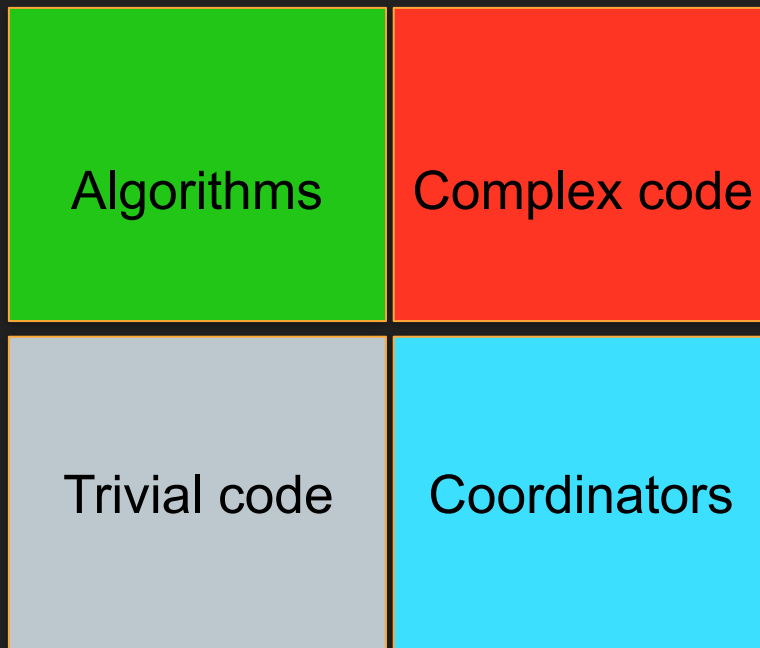
Trivial code

Coordinators

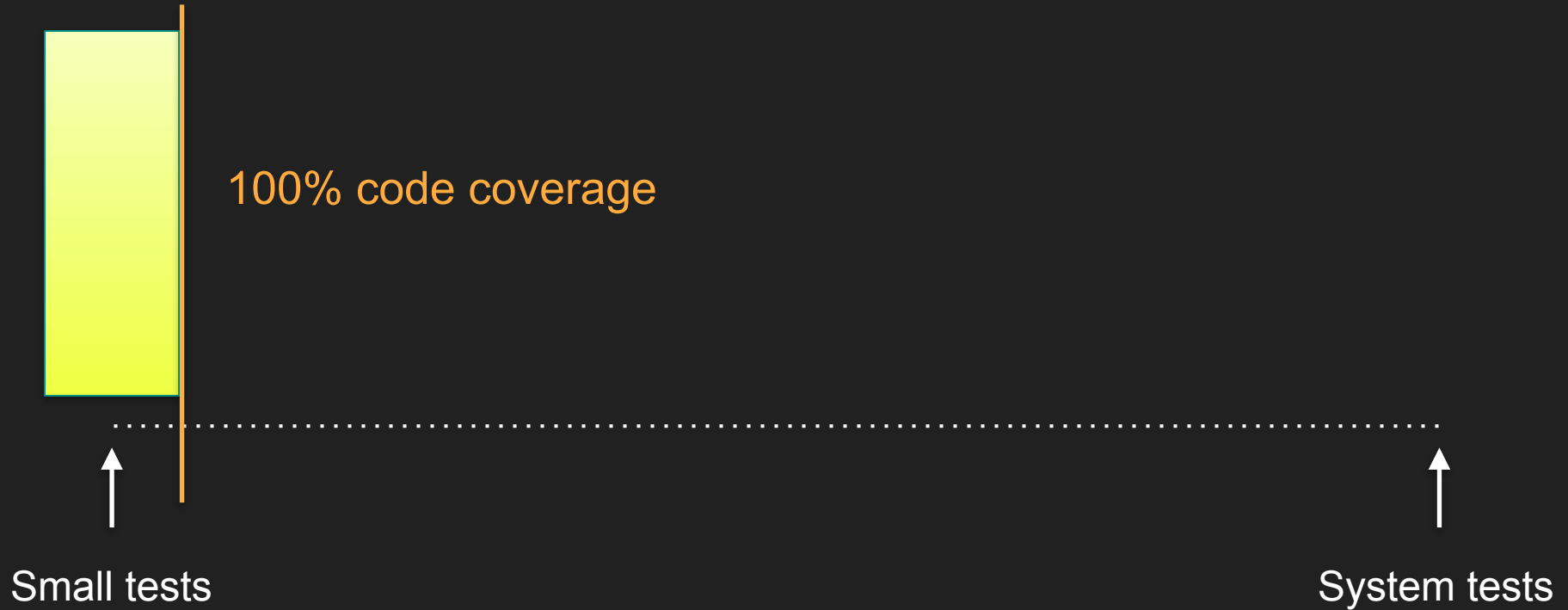
LOW

HIGH

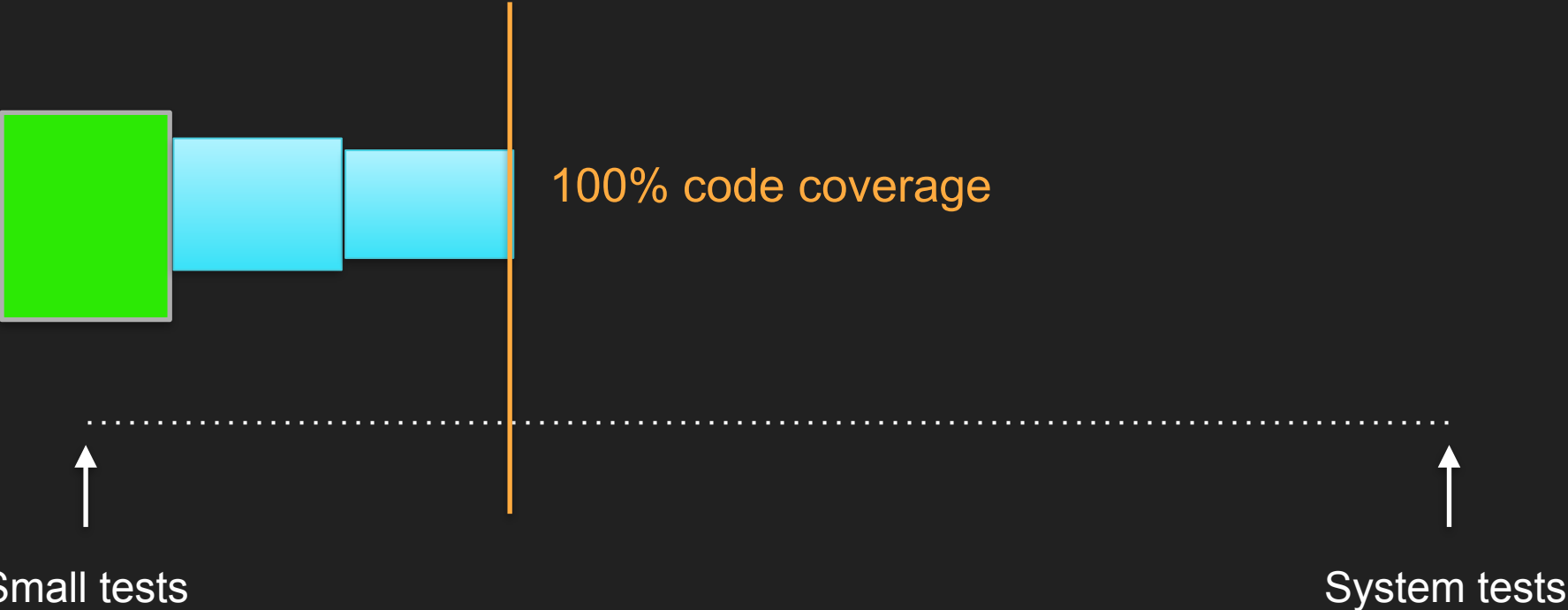
COST



Should all production code be 'unit tested' ?



Get coverage from more than small test



I'm going to transfer £100 to
you*

*Assuming everything works

Test coverage

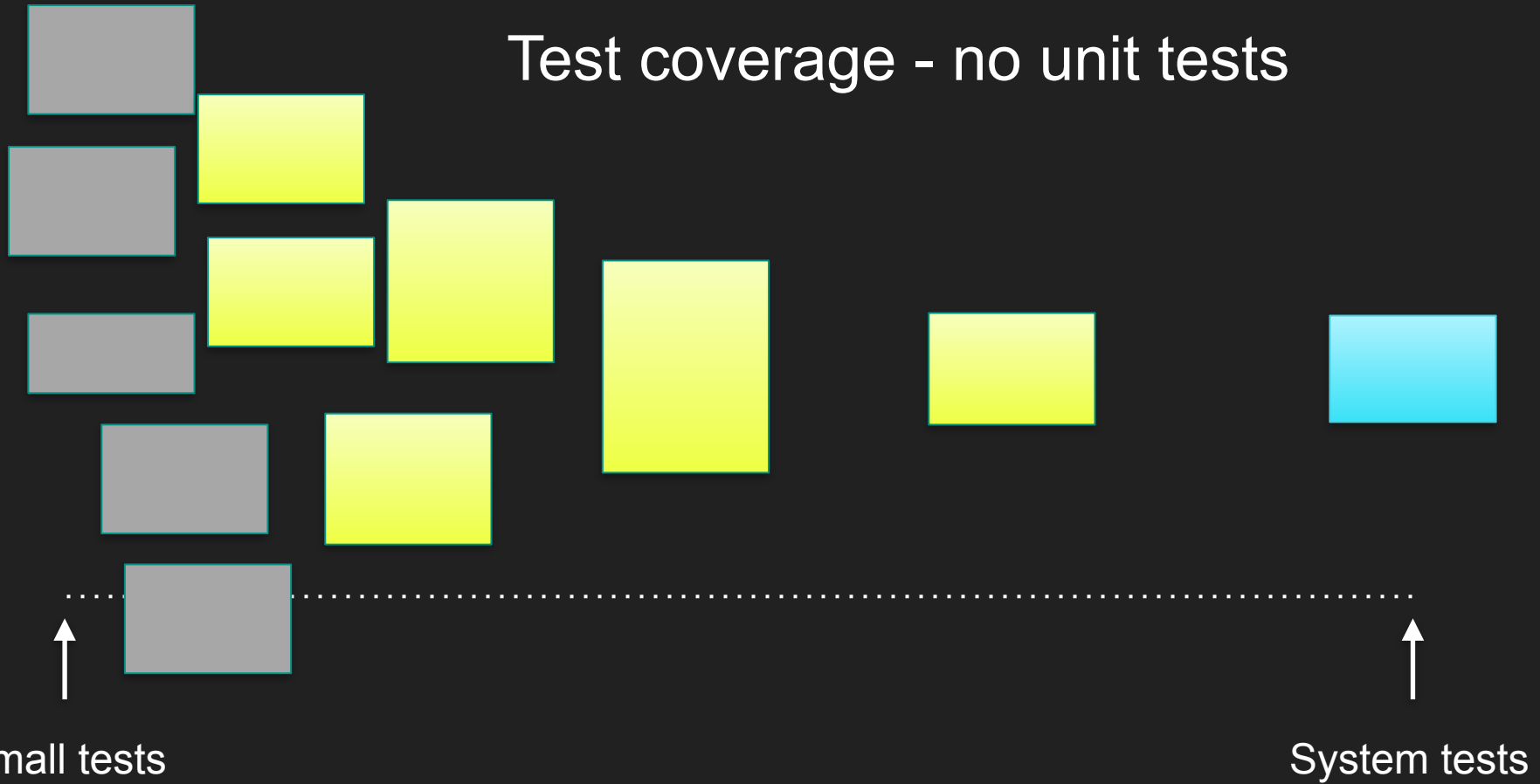


Small tests



System tests

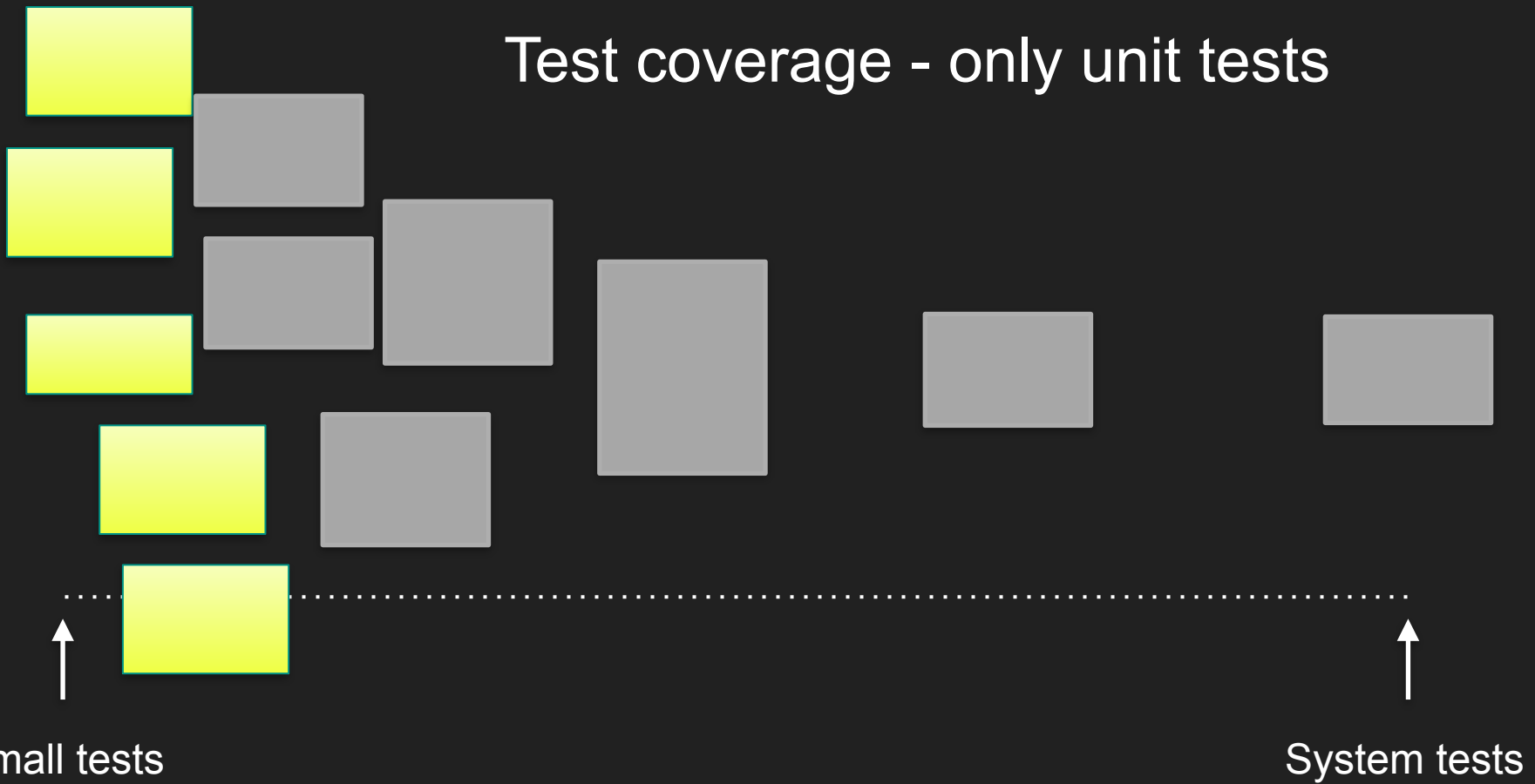
Test coverage - no unit tests



Small tests

System tests

Test coverage - only unit tests



Small tests

System tests

Put the tests where there is
highest value

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Architecture

The codebase isn't
difficult to test,
it's poorly architected

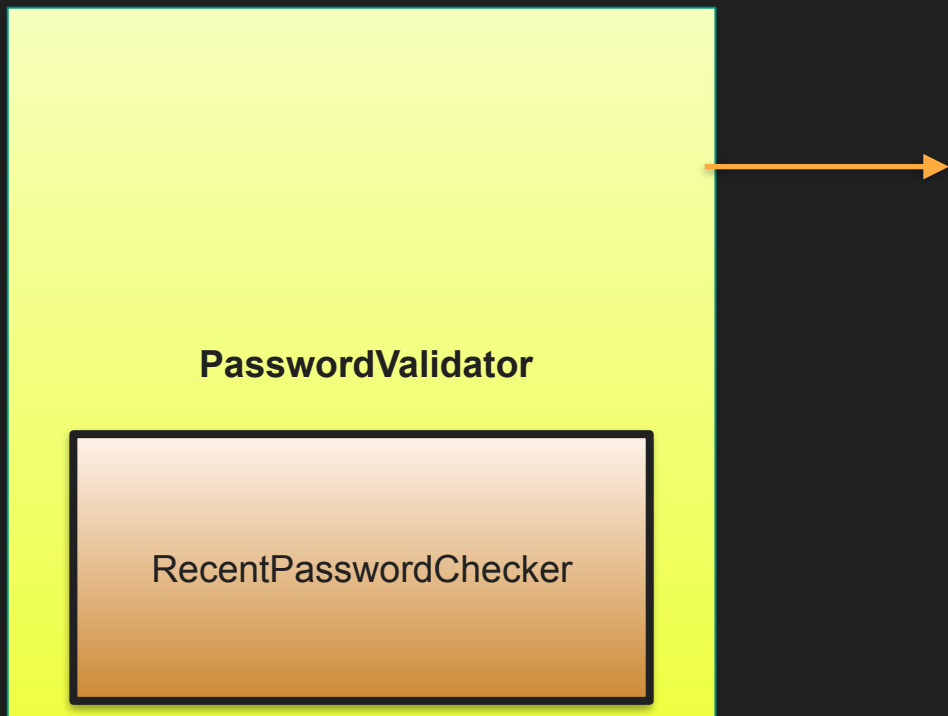
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     */
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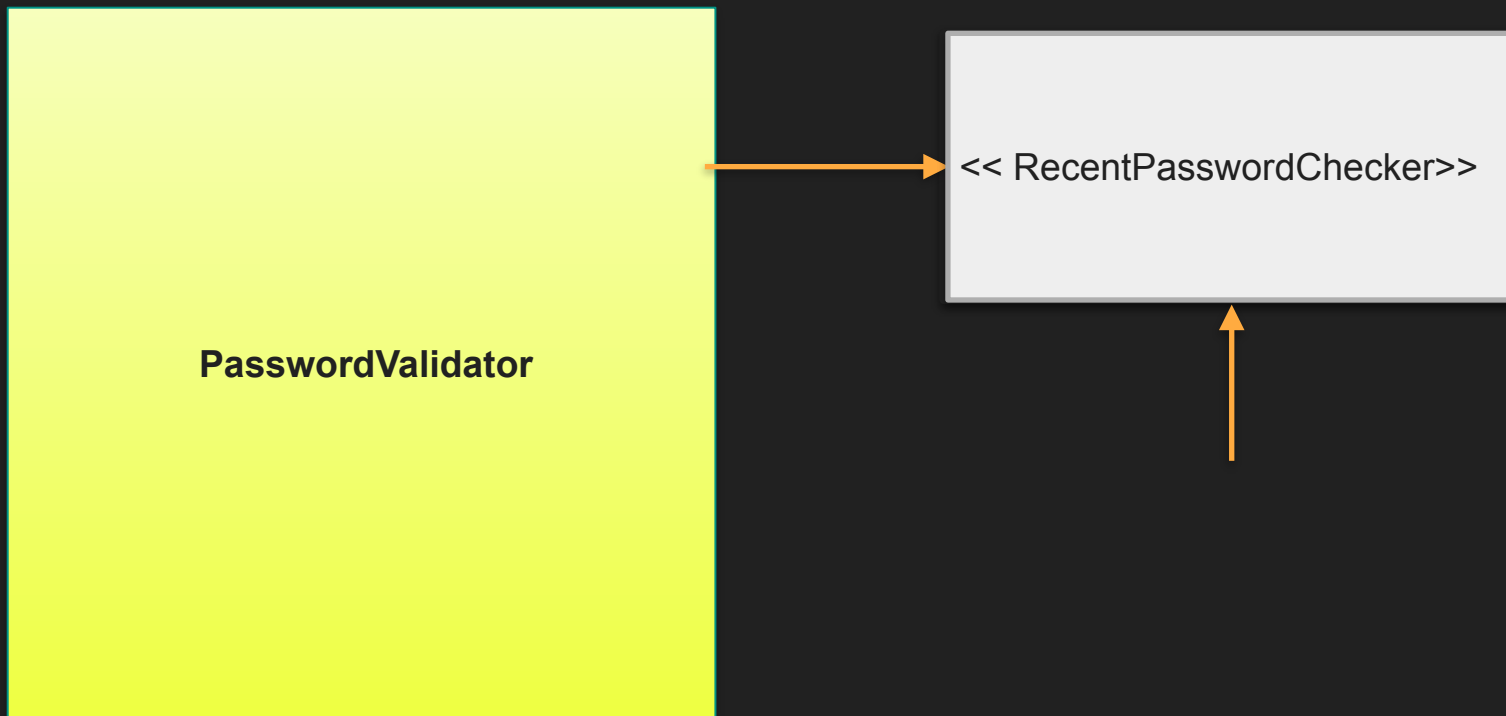
Extended Password Validator

```
class PasswordValidator
{
    /**
     * Returns true if password meets following criteria:
     *
     * - 8 or more characters
     * - at least 1 digit
     * - at least 1 upper case letter
     * - at least 1 lower case letter
     * - not one the previous user's 5 passwords
     */
    public function isValid(string $password, User $user) : bool
```

Architecture: Small tests



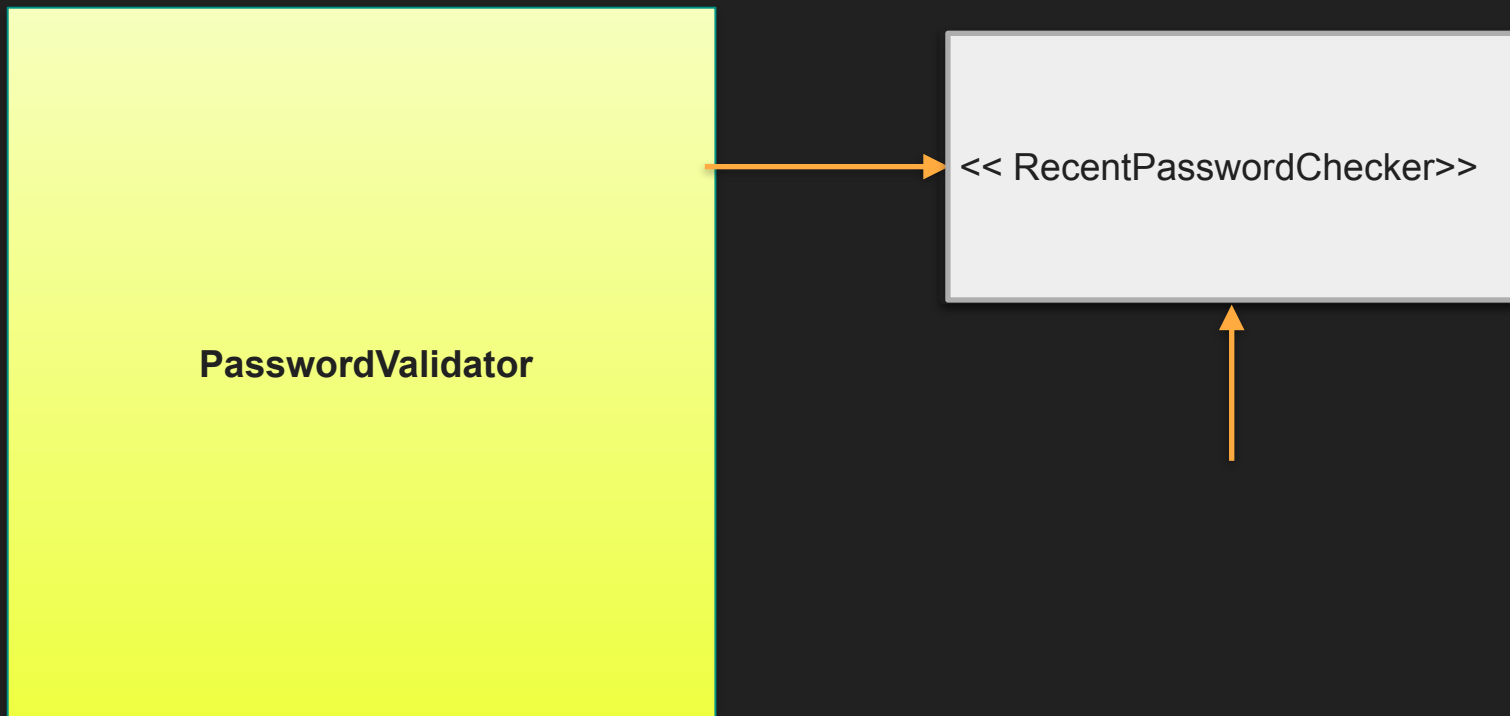
Architecture: Small tests



Password Validator - Checking Previous Passwords

```
interface RecentPasswordChecker
{
    /**
     * Returns true if password has been used by user
     * in previous 5 passwords
     *
     */
    public function isRecentPassword(
        string $password, User $user) : bool
}
```

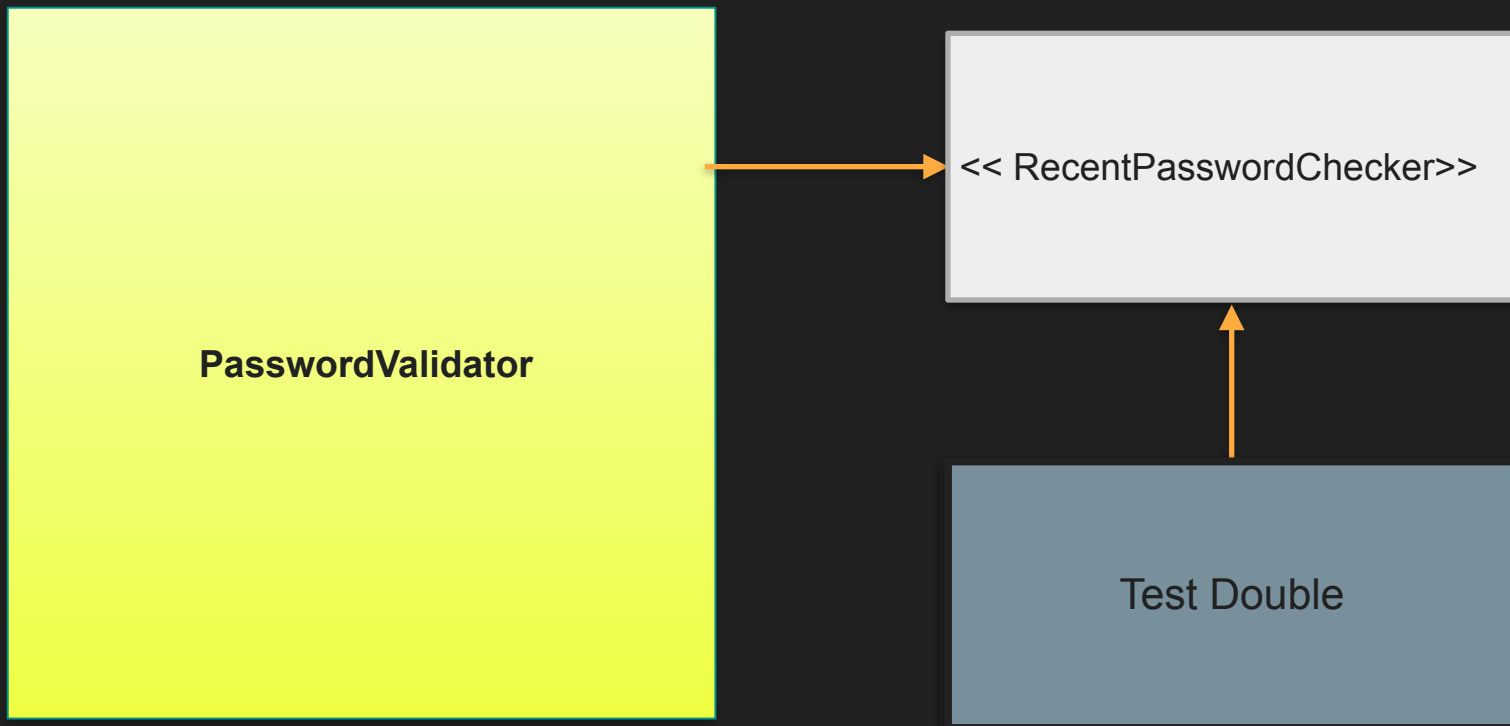
Architecture: Small tests



What do we do with collaborating objects?

- Real version
- Test dummy
 - Stub
 - Mock
 - Fake

Architecture: Small tests



Test double is an
approximation

Interface test double must implement

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New tests (1): Not recent password

- Assume we call `isValidPassword` with `Passw0rd`
- Assert `isValidPassword` returns `true`
- Mock for `RecentPasswordChecker`
- `isRecentPassword` called once
- `isRecentPassword` returns `false`
- `isRecentPassword` called with `Passw0rd`

New tests (2): Recent password

- Assume we call `isValidPassword` with `Passw0rd`
- Assert `isValidPassword` returns `false`
- Mock for `RecentPasswordChecker`
- `isRecentPassword` called once
- `isRecentPassword` returns `true`
- `isRecentPassword` called with `Passw0rd`

Existing tests?

Password Validator implementation

```
class PasswordValidator
{
    public function isValid(string $password, User $user) : bool
    {
        if ($this->recentPasswordChecker->isRecentPassword(
            $password, $user)) {
            return false;
        }

        if (... password too short ...) return false;
        if (... password has no digit ...) return false;

        ... remaining checks ...

        return true;
    }
}
```

Existing tests

- Test inputs as before
- Mock for `RecentPasswordChecker`
- `isRecentPassword` called once
- `isRecentPassword` returns `false`
- `isRecentPassword` called with test value

Password Validator implementation refactored

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Our tests start failing

High maintenance test
suite (which is bad)

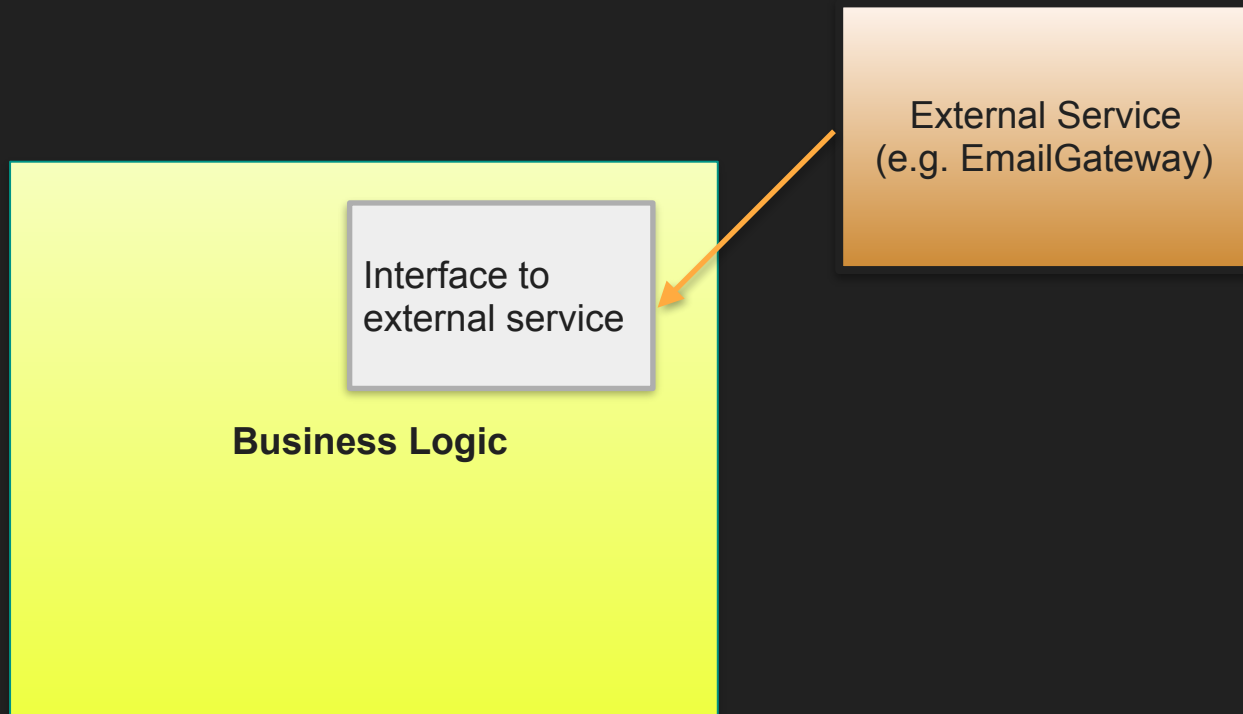
Existing tests - Correct

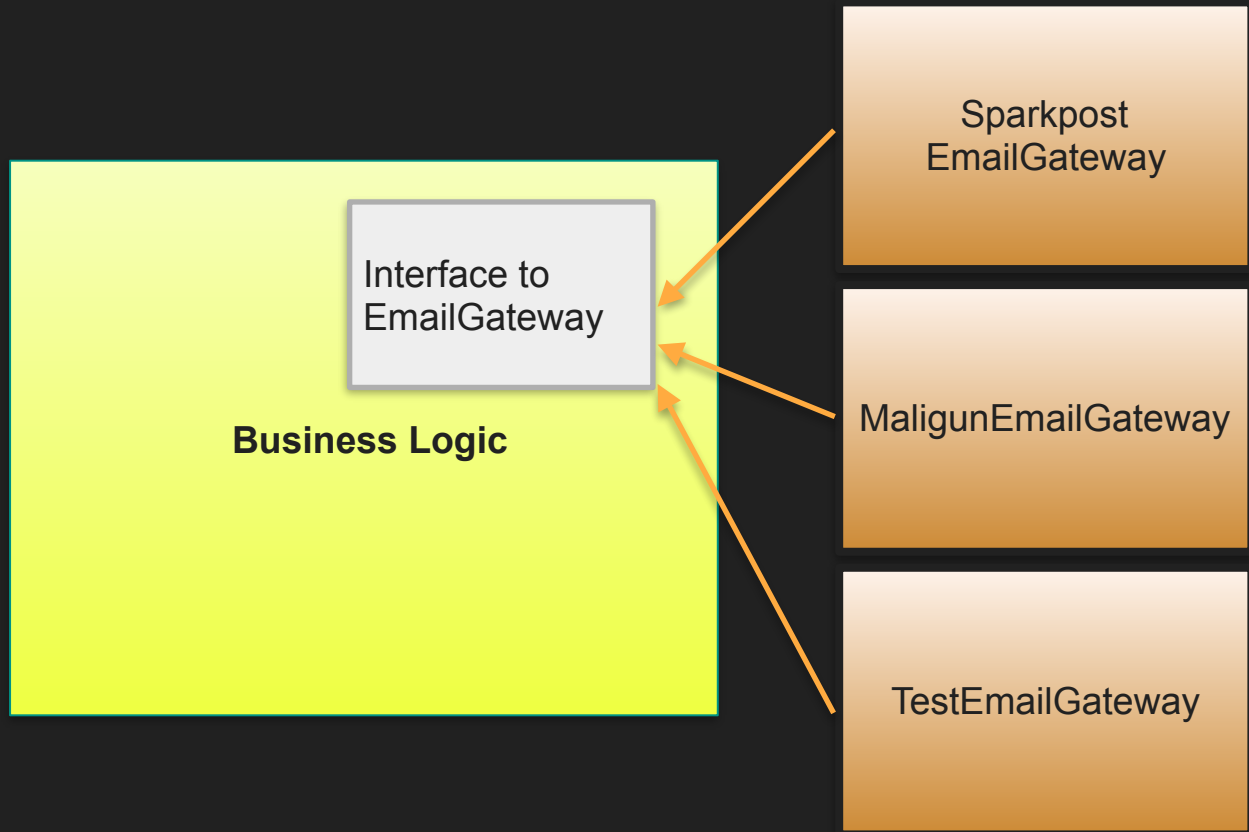
- Tests as before
- Stub for `RecentPasswordChecker`
- `isRecentPassword` always returns `false`

Take away:
Use stubs unless you
actually need mocks

Architecture: Bigger tests







Email Gateway Interface

```
interface EmailGatewayInterface
{
    /**
     * Gateway for sending and email
     *
     * @param EmailMessage $message to send
     */
    public function sendEmail(EmailMessage $message);
}
```

EmailMessage

To

From

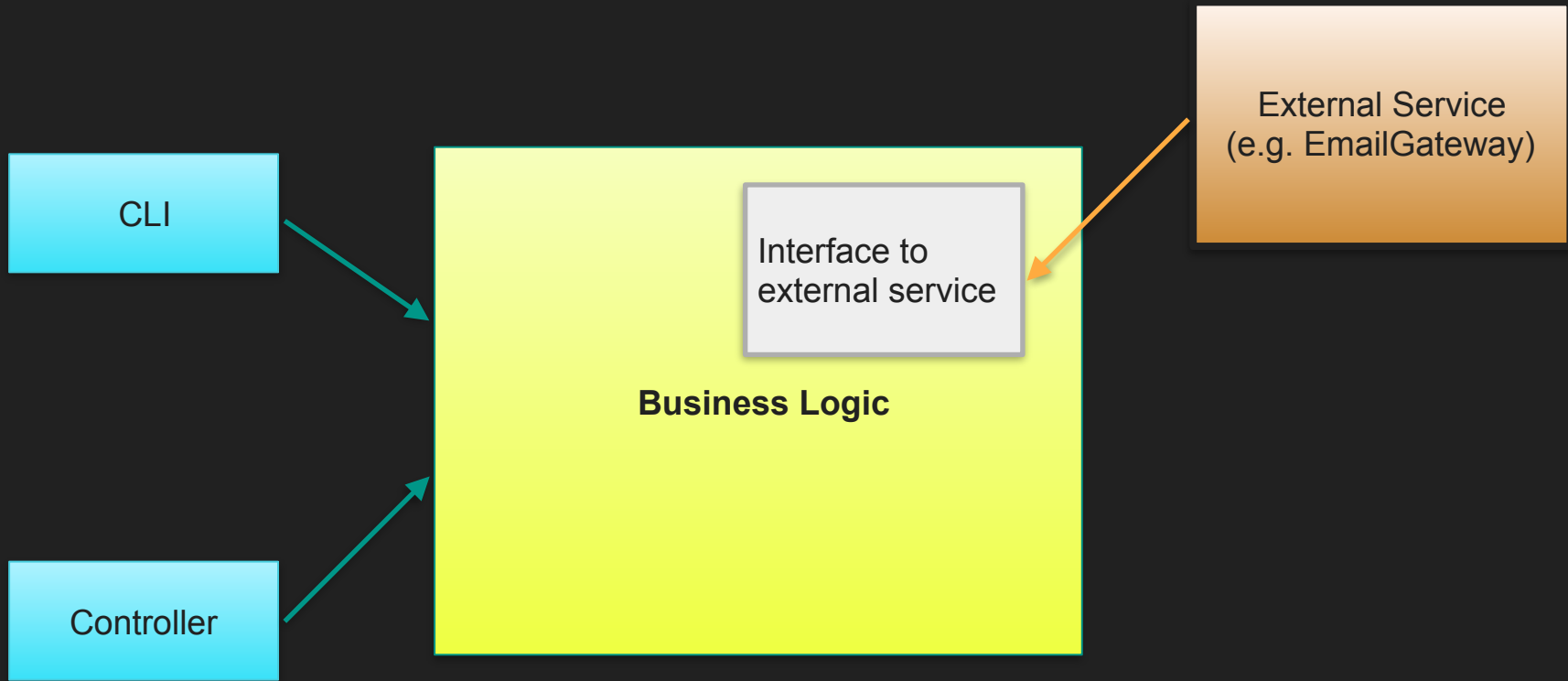
CC

Subject

Message Body

Template Name

Template Data



Thin Controllers

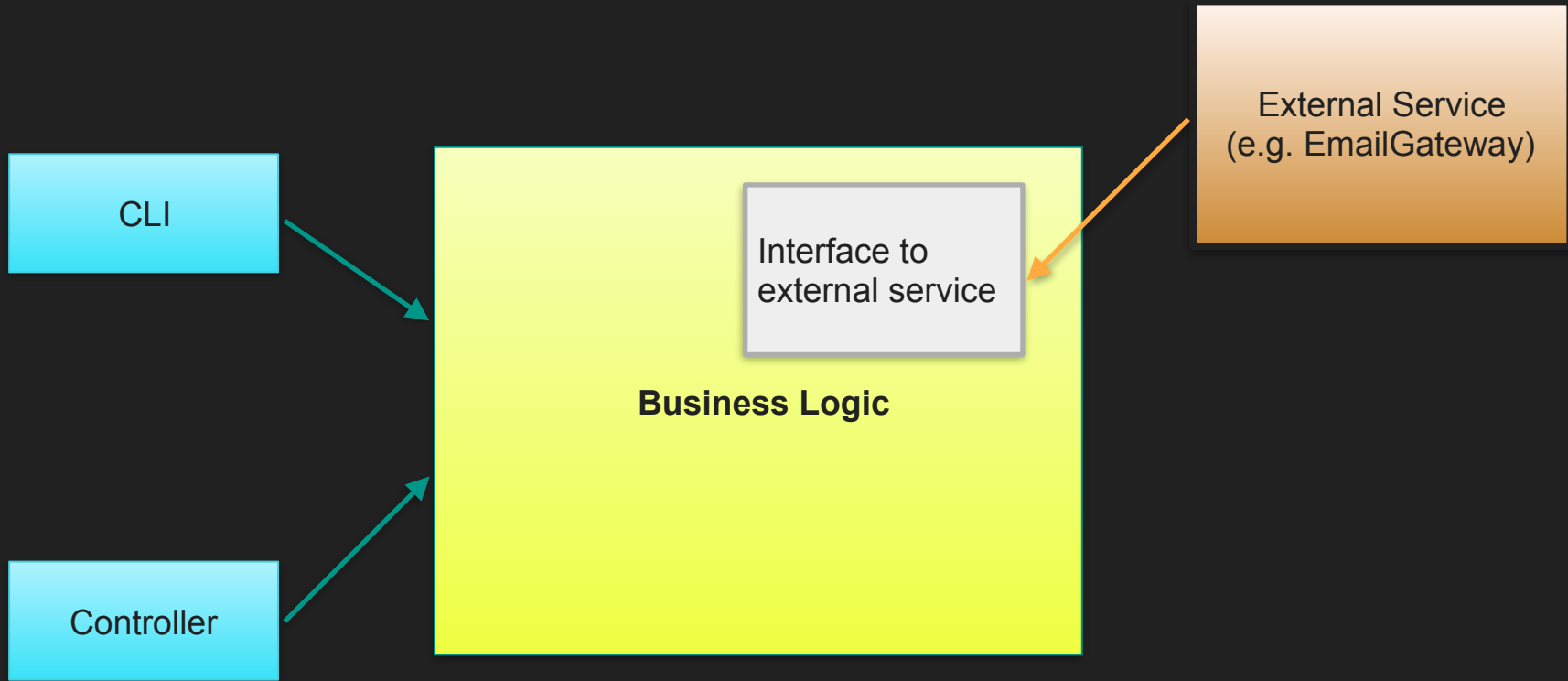
```
class UserController
{
    public function confirmUser()
    {
        $token = Input::get("token");
        $success = $this->userService->confirmUser($token);

        if ($success) {
            // Handle success
        } else {
            // Handle failure
        }
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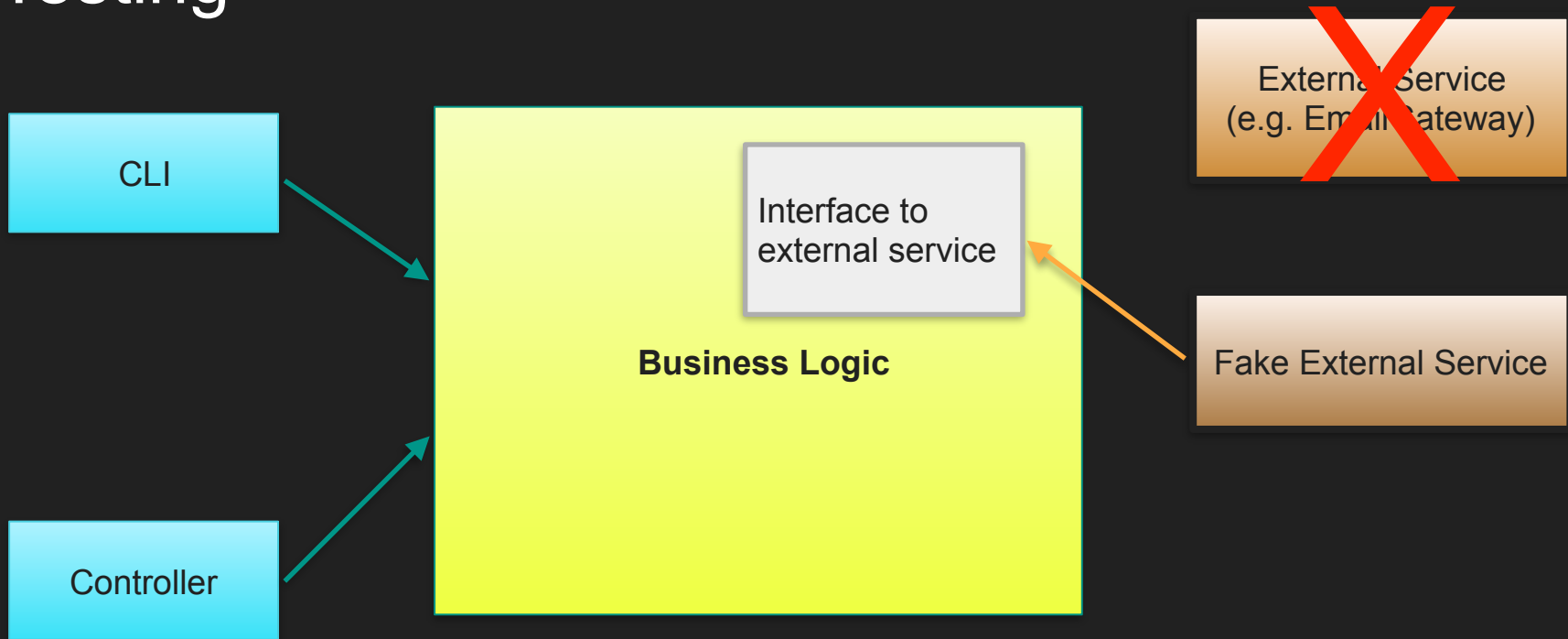
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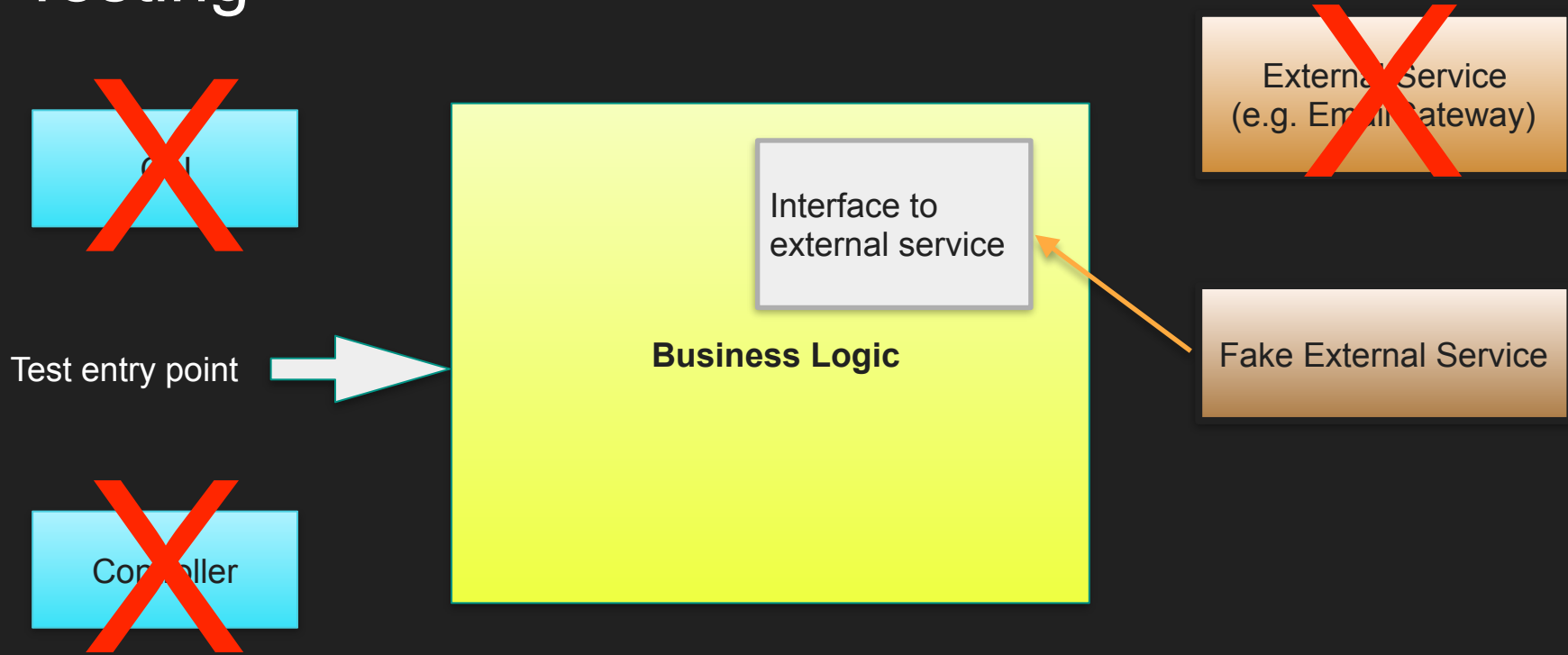


Email Gateway Fake

```
class EmailGatewayFake implements EmailGatewayInterface
{
    public function sendEmail(EmailMessage $message)
    {
        /* implementation that stores all messages for searching */
    }

    /**
     * Find emails that would have been sent
     *
     * @param array $criteria e.g.:
     *     ['to' => 'dave@example.com', 'template' => 'RegisterUser']
     * @return EmailMessage[] messages that meet criteria
     */
    public function findEmails(array $criteria)
    }
}
```

Testing



Testing User Registration

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    public function testUpdatePassword()
    {
        // Get the UserService and register a new user
        $userService = $this->container->get("UserService");
        $userService->registerUser("dave@example.com", "1stPassword");

        // Get the EmailGatewayStub and find the registration email
        $emailGateway = $this->container->get("EmailGateway");
        $emails = $emailGateway->findEmails(
            ["to" => "dave@example.com", "template" => "RegisterUser"]);
        $this->assertEquals(1, count($emails));

        // Get confirmation token from the registration email
        $data = $emails[0]->getData();
        $confirmationToken = $data["confirmationToken"];

        // Complete registration
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A codebase that's
easy to test
is probably
well architected

Can we automate anything
else?

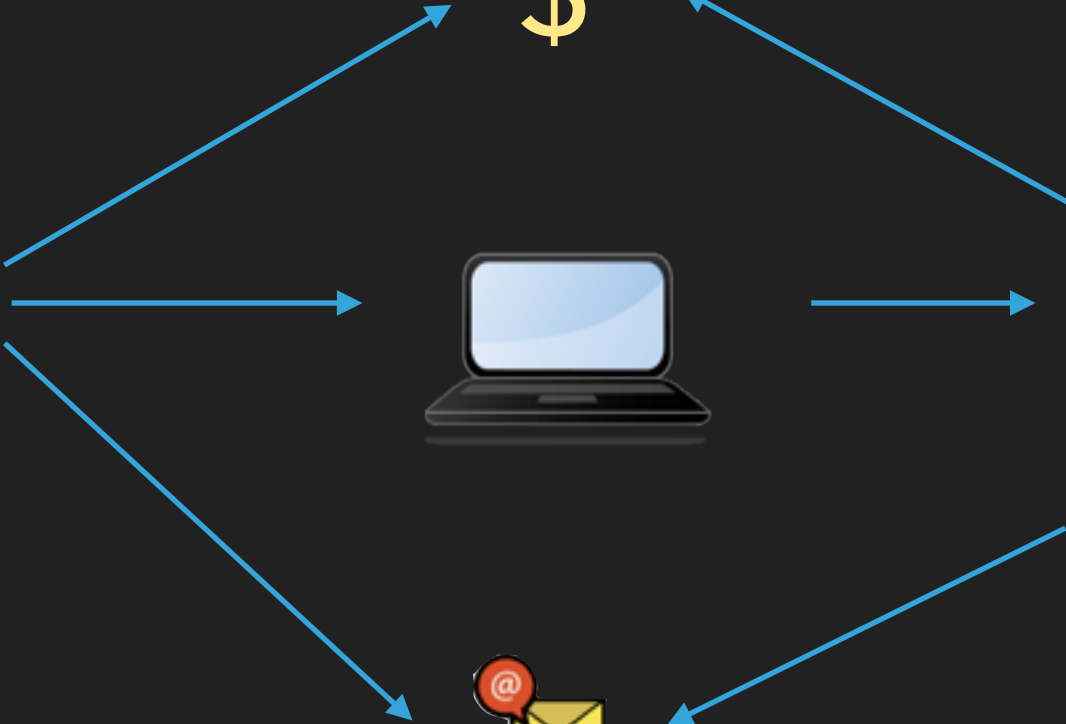
Automating as much as we can:

```
php bin/console test:emailgateway --to dave@lampbristol.com
```

```
Sending email:
```

```
To      [dave@lampbristol.com]  
From    [test@lampbristol.com]  
CC      [dave+1@lampbristol.com]  
Subject [Test email 2016-02-08 19:37]  
Body    [Hi,  
        This is a test email.  
        Sent at 2016-02-08 19:37.  
        From your tester]
```

Still need manual system tests



Summary

#1 We need a test suite

- Proves code works
- Stops regression
- Enables refactoring

#2 Ideal test suite...

- Fast to execute
- High coverage
- Low maintenance

#3 Write testable code

- Well architected
- Easy to maintain
- Easier to automate tests

Questions