

GitHub Actions

What are GitHub Actions ?



CI/CD



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On any OS



Runnable with docker image



For any language

Today's tasks

3 Workflows

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Check Compilation

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Run Unit tests

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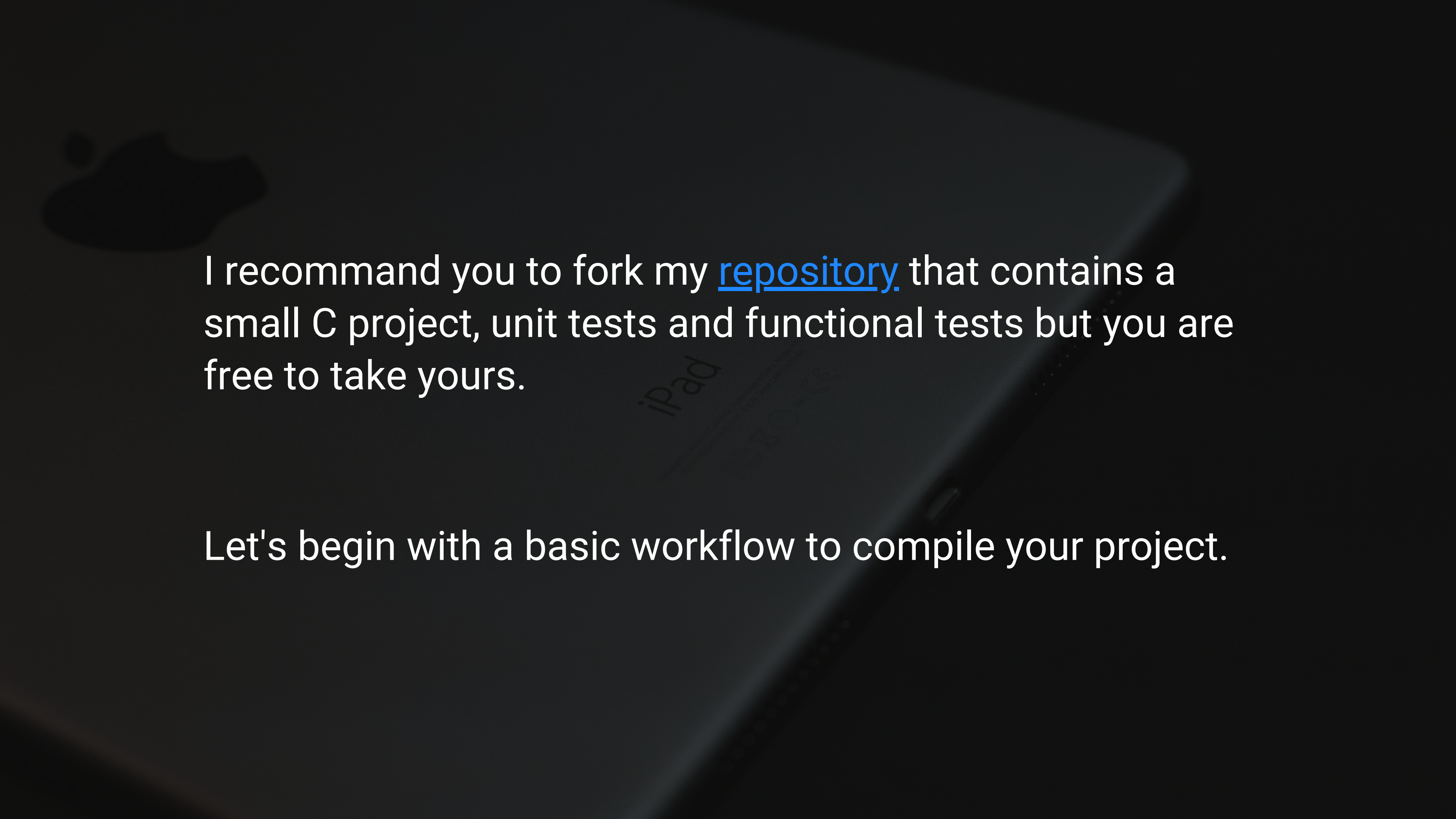
Run Functional tests

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Check coding style

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Go further



I recommend you to fork my [repository](#) that contains a small C project, unit tests and functional tests but you are free to take yours.

Let's begin with a basic workflow to compile your project.

Compilation

Firstly, create a workflow as a YAML file in a `.github/workflows` directory at the root of your repository. A workflow is automatically triggered.

This workflow will allow you to test the project compilation.

[Syntax documentation](#)

1	Name	Check compilation
2	Trigger event	Push on master
3	Job name	compilation
4	Runs on	Ubuntu 20.04
5	Docker image	You can use the same environment as the <i>moulinette</i> : epitechcontent/epitest-docker:devel

Compilation steps

Each workflow step is defined by a name and a command or an action.

You can find actions done by the community to simplify your workflow.
[GitHub Actions Marketplace](#)
Or you can write it by yourself.

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Checkout your repository

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Build your project

Write commands in different steps as you can do on your computer.

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Check if the result binary file exist

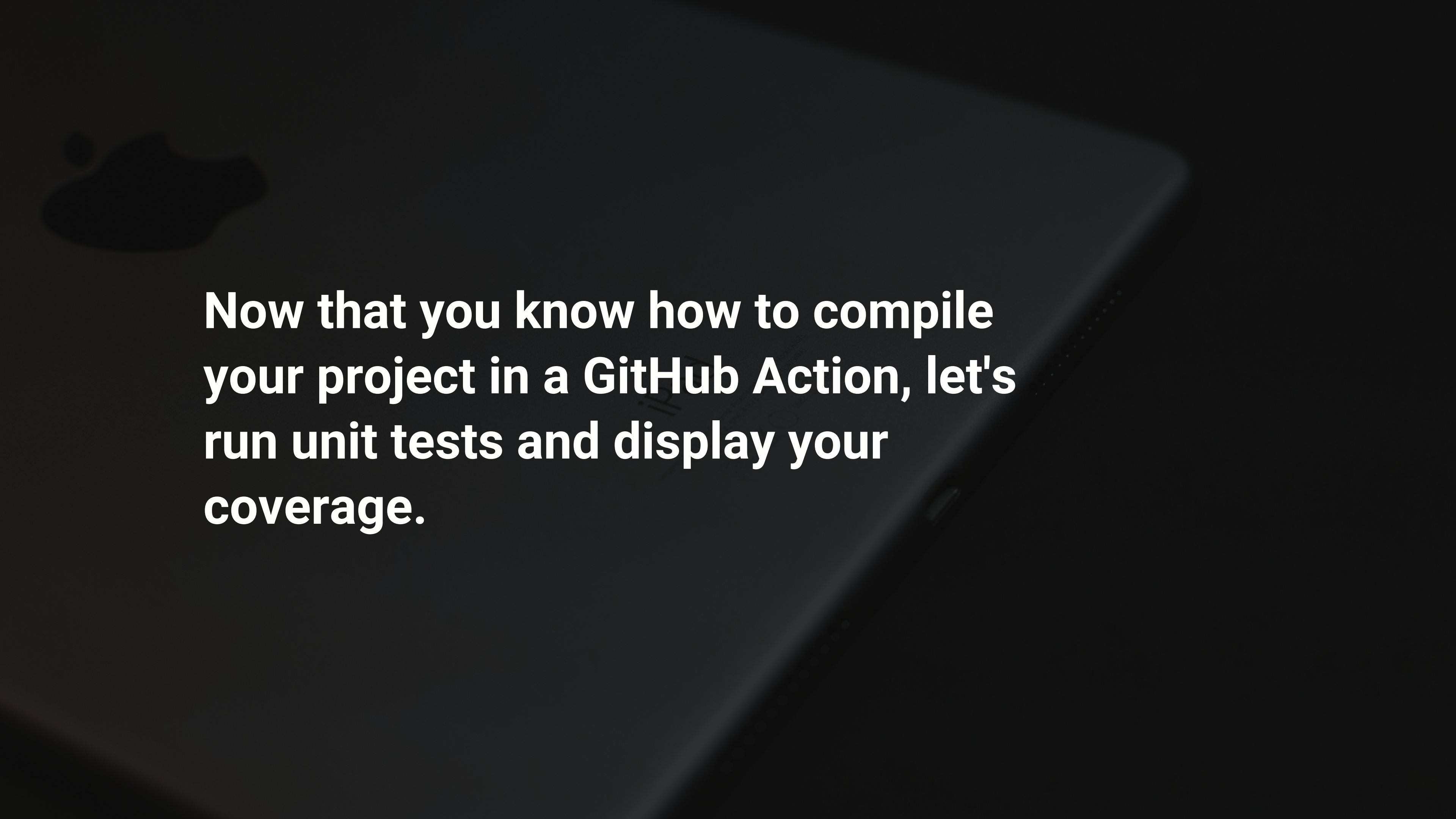
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Don't run the binary It's just a compilation workflow.

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Test

Push on master and check on GitHub in the *Actions* tab if the workflow success.



**Now that you know how to compile
your project in a GitHub Action, let's
run unit tests and display your
coverage.**

Unit tests

Create a new workflow to run unit tests and display your project coverage.

1	Name	Run tests
2	Trigger event	When the <i>Check compilation</i> workflow is completed successfully
3	Job name	unit-tests
4	Runs on	Ubuntu 20.04
5	Docker image	epitechcontent/epitest-docker:devel

Unit tests steps

A workflow fails if a command exits with anything other than 0.

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Checkout your repository

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Run the tests

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Display your coverage

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Test

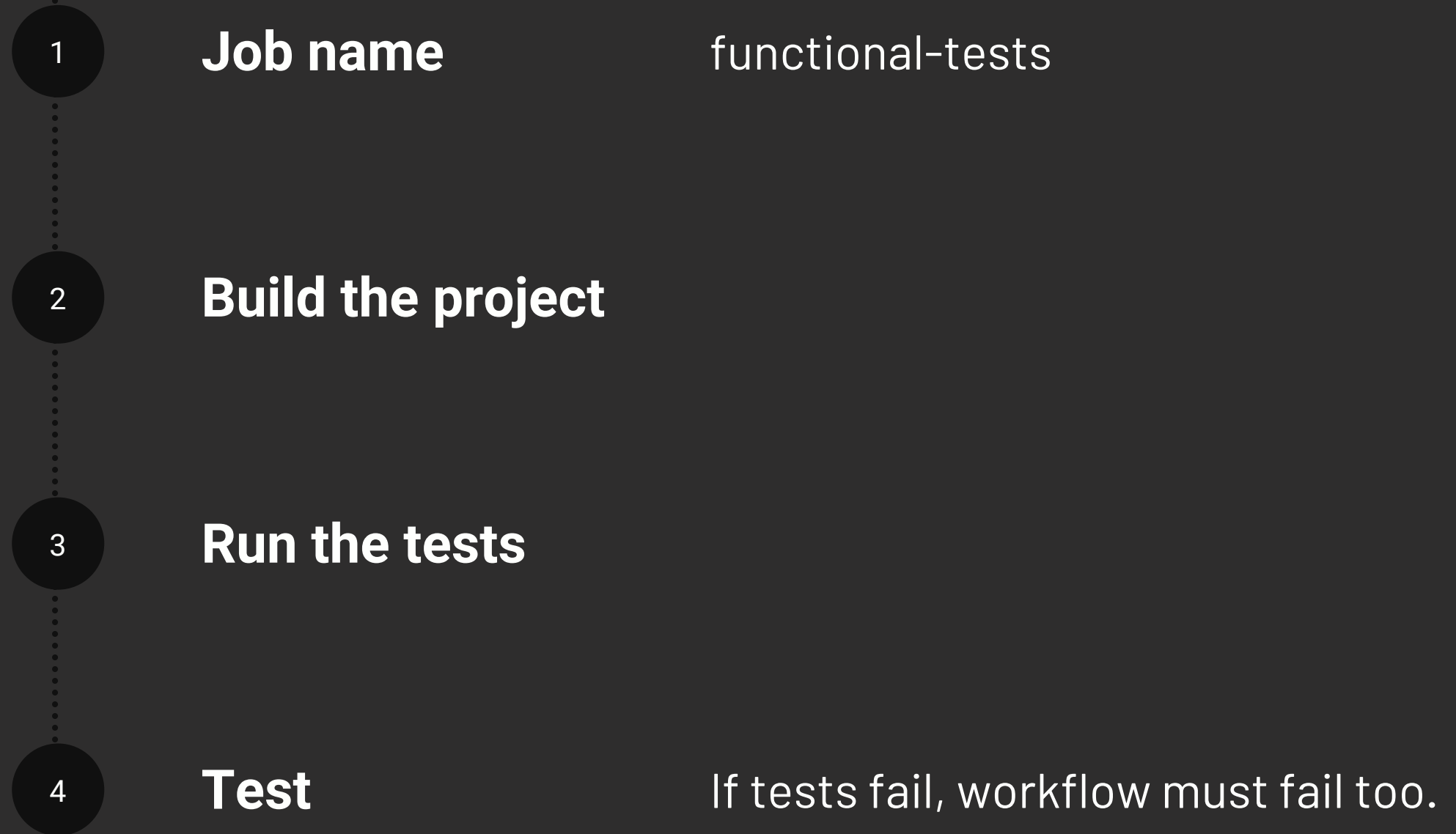
If tests fail, workflow must fail too.

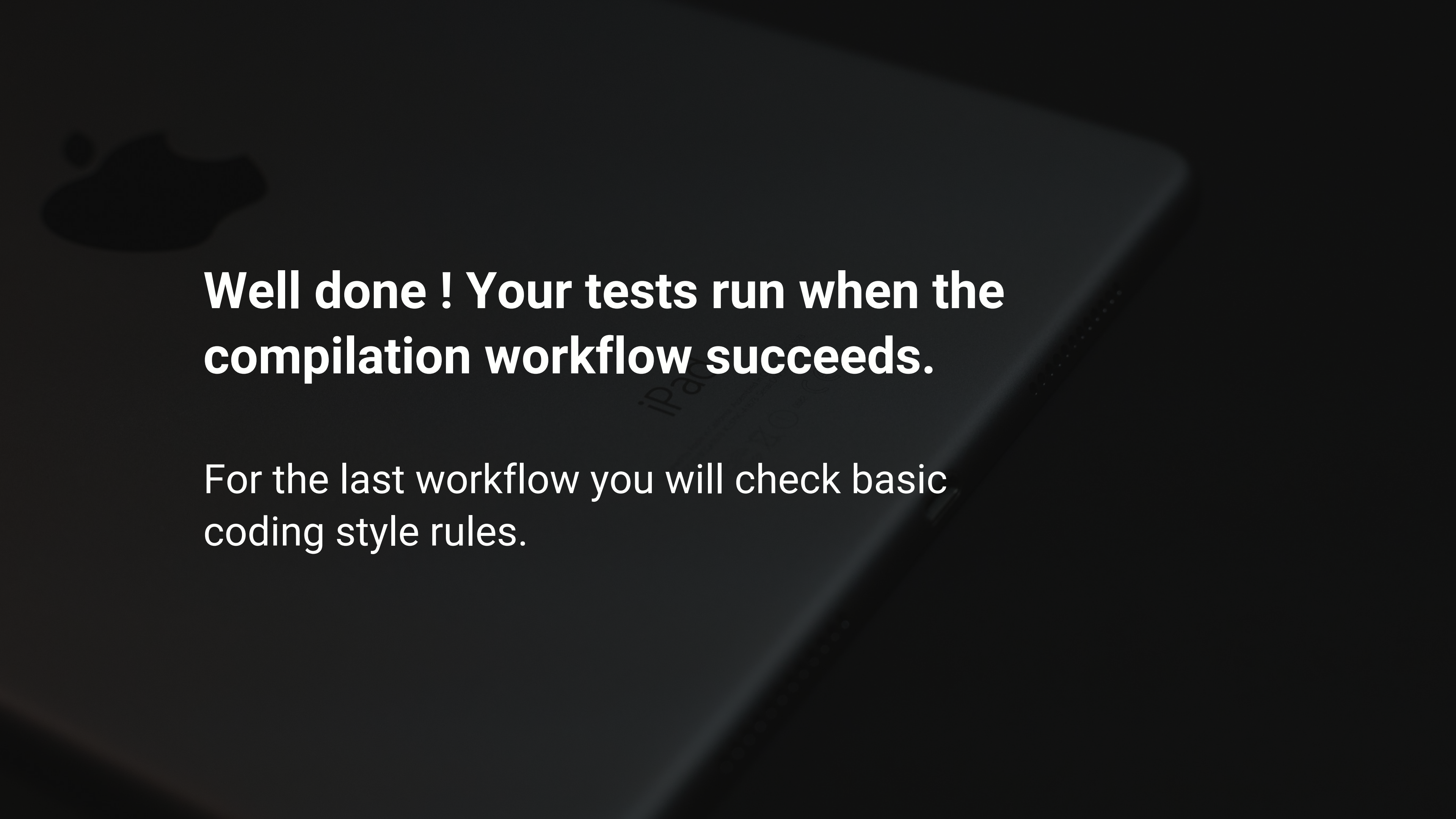
Now your tests run when your compilation workflow is completed successfully. You can check your tests and coverage on each push.

The next part will not be more difficult.

Functional tests

Add a new job to the previous workflow.





Well done ! Your tests run when the compilation workflow succeeds.

For the last workflow you will check basic coding style rules.

Coding style

Create a new workflow to check basic coding style rules.

1

Name

Check coding style

2

Trigger event

On push on master

3

Runs on

Ubuntu 20.04

We don't need to run on *moulinette* environment.

Coding style

- Tip: Check [actions/checkout](#) documentation.
- Reminder: Check GitHub Actions [syntax documentation](#)
- Reminder: A step fails if the command returns anything other than 0.

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Checkout your repository

In a directory

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Checkout NormEZ repository

In a different directory
ronanboiteau/NormEZ

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Check errors

Create a step to each NormEZ errors and grep on them to check if it finds them.

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Continue even if it find an error

This workflow should continue even if a coding style error is found but still mark the workflow as fail if it found one.

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Test

Test if the workflow fails if there is a coding style error (it should flag multiple steps as failed if there are multiple different errors) in the project and success otherwise.

Congratulations ! You now have 3 workflows which will help you a lot during your Epitech years.

You can now go further and check different actions to help you improve your workflows.

Advanced features

You can choose one of these example features and try to implement them in a workflow.

JOB DEPENDENCIES

Why?: To run a job after another one.

Example: You have multiple projects and one depends on another.

Link: https://docs.github.com/en/actions/learn-github-actions/workflow-syntax-for-github-actions#jobsjob_idneeds

CACHE

Why?: To improve your workflow speed.

Example: Caching C++ build folder or conan data.

Link: <https://github.com/actions/cache>

ARTIFACTS

Why?: To upload files or directories to the current run.

Example: Upload unit tests coverage result.

Link: <https://docs.github.com/en/actions/advanced-guides/storing-workflow-data-as-artifacts>

**Thank you for attending
this workshop !**

**Good luck with
GitHub Actions 🤗**