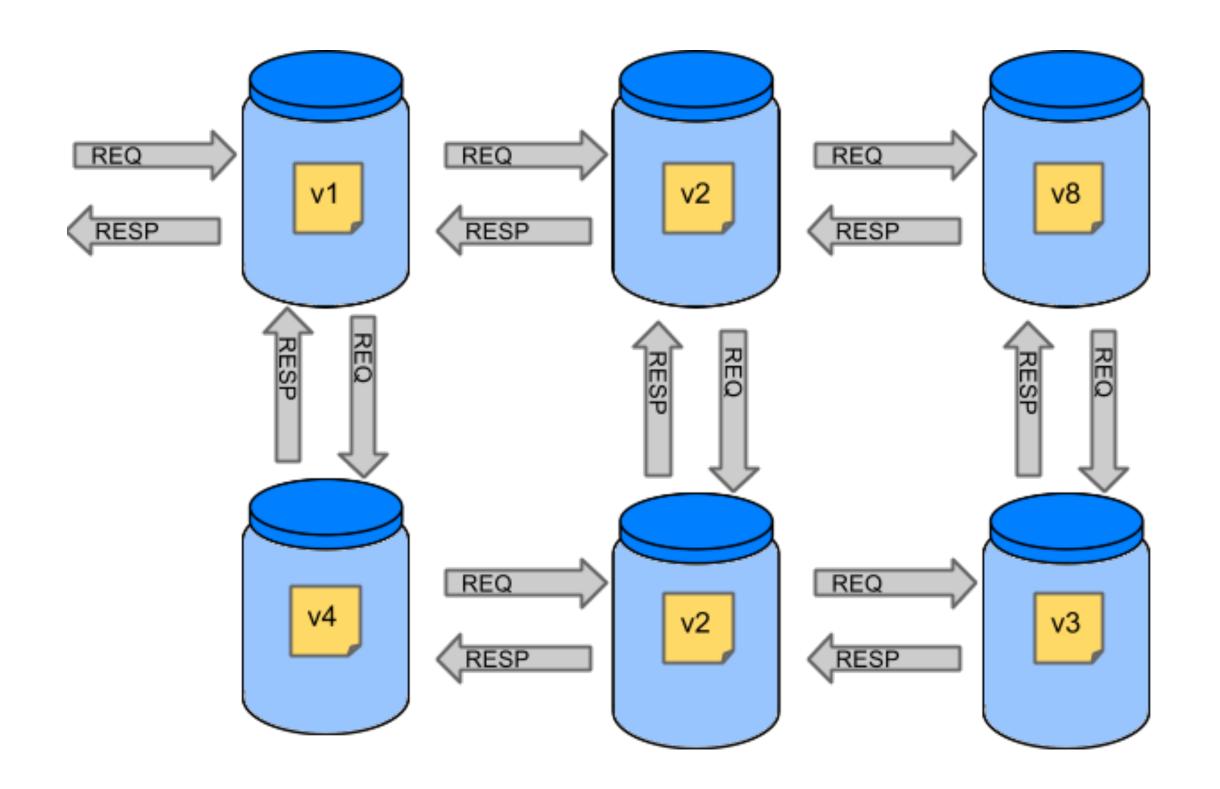
API Workshop

Contract Driven Development

Software Architecture

How do we test an application that calls out to other services?



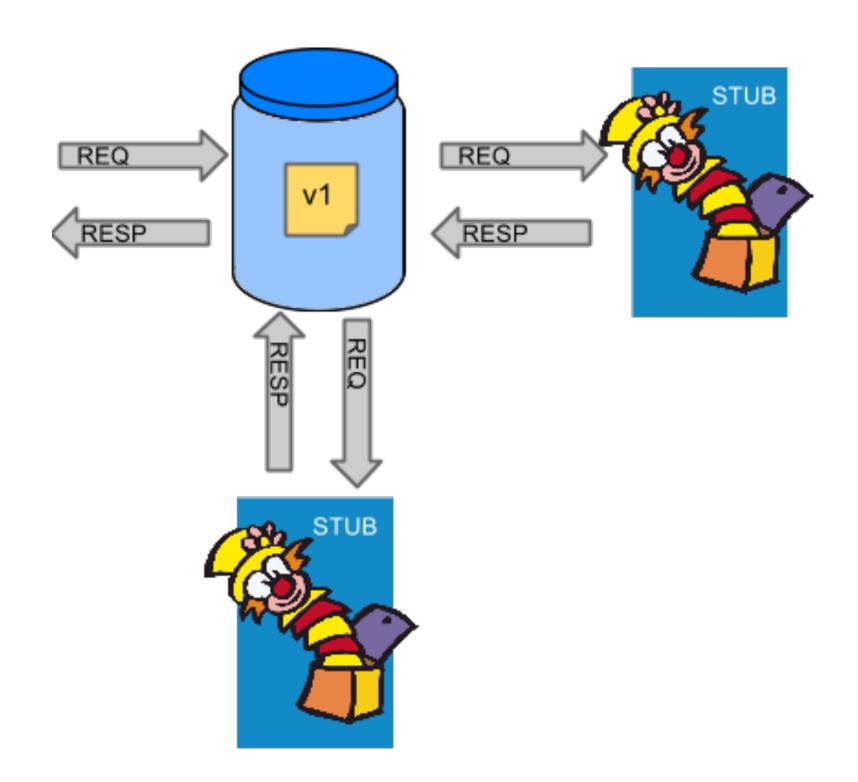
End to end testing?

- Real tests like production, but comes at a cost
- May require a few other services, databases
- Difficult to debug if a problem occurs
- Late feedback makes it difficult to discover and fix bugs early

Mock dependencies in unit and integration tests?

- Very fast feedback and no infrastructure
- May differ vastly from reality
- Can end up in production with tests that pass, but would fail in production

What about Contracts



What about contracts?

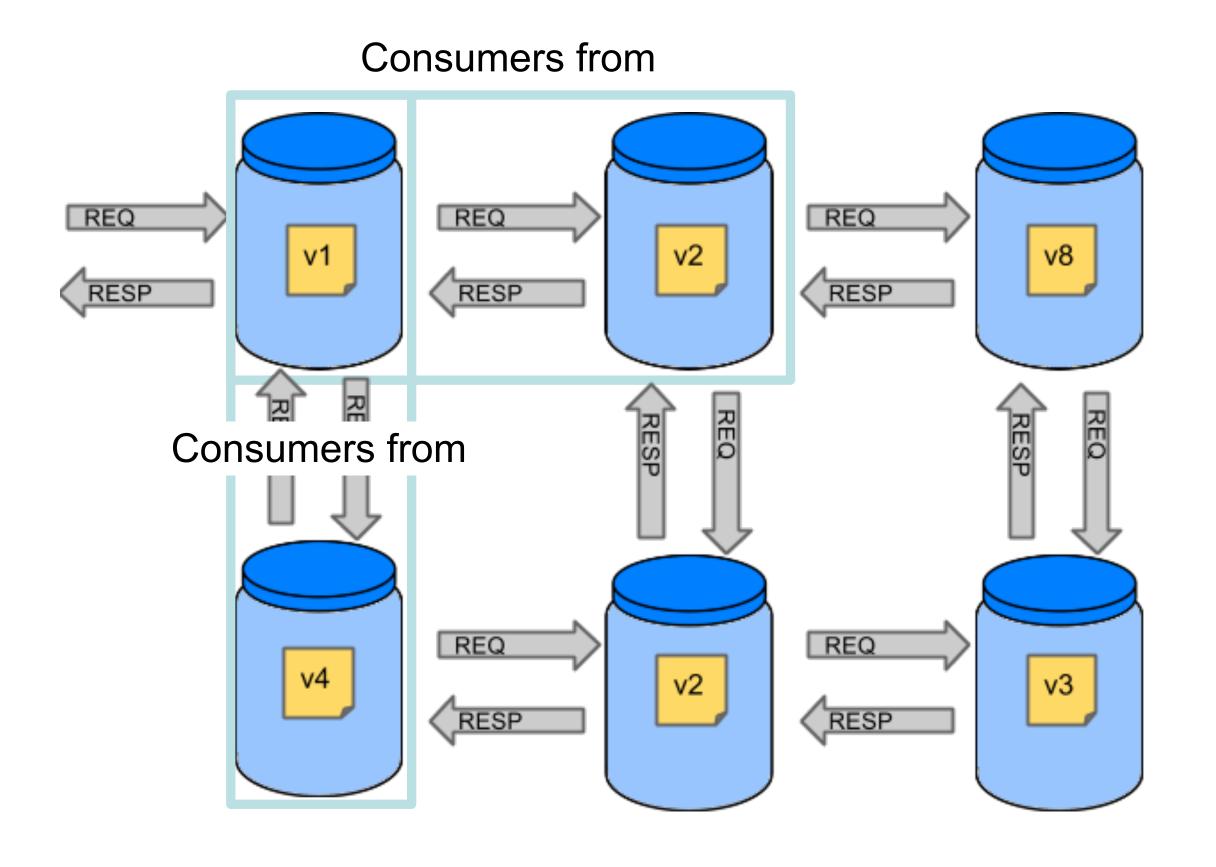
- Ensures that HTTP messaging stubs are exactly how the server will behave
- Promotes acceptance test driven development
- Publish contracts that can immediately be used by the consumer and producer
- Generates and guides tests

In reality we want to have a balance of end to end, mocking and contract tests

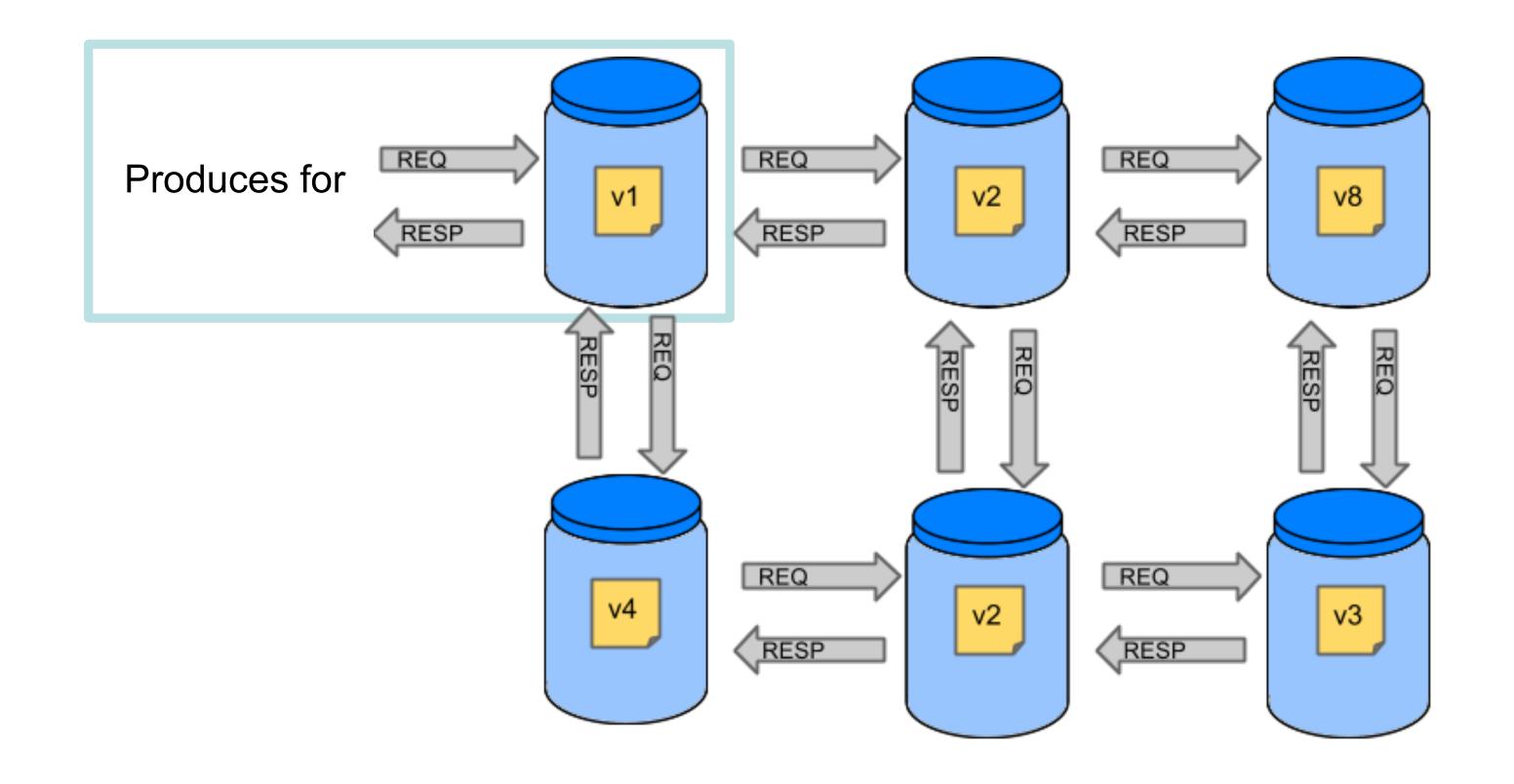
The two entities

- Producer
 - An application that is producing data, e.g. We are currently writing a Todo application. The app is a producer as it **provides**
- Consumer
 - Any application that consumes information from a provider e.g. The webclient that is sending requests to the Todo application, it is consuming the Todo service

Consumer



Producer



What do contracts do?

- Specify how we expect the client to interact with our service
- There may be multiple contracts per endpoint
- The API shape (or structure) does not define behaviour
- Contracts provide quick feedback on evolving APIs

Two types of Contract driven development

- Provider Contract Development
- Consumer Driven Contracts

Producer Contract Development

Producer Contract Development

Provider Contract Development

The Producer creates their own contracts.

- External facing, large client base
 - Example of usage: The Todo API we are developing is an external facing API used by millions

Example Contract

```
org.springframework.cloud.contract.spec.Contract.make {
    request {
        method POST()
        headers {
            contentType(applicationJson())
        url '/todos'
        body(
                "message": "A new todo"
    response {
        status CREATED()
        headers {
            header(location(), anyUrl())
```

Example Contract - Generated test for producer

```
@Test
public void validate_task_create_entry() throws Exception {
 // given:
   MockMvcRequestSpecification request = given()
       header("Content-Type", "application/json")
       body("{\"message\":\"A new todo\"}");
 // when:
   ResponseOptions response = given().spec(request)
       .post("/todos");
 // then:
   assertThat(response statusCode()) is Equal To(201);
   assertThat(response.header("Location")).matches(anyUrlRegex());
```

Stub generated for Consumer

- The contracts also form stubs
- Stubs can be used to mock out services
- Allows consumers to work on their applications, whilst serverside logic is developed
- Decouples dependencies during the development process

Consumer Driven Contracts Development

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Consumer Driven Contracts

- The Consumer creates that contracts for the Producer to fulfil
 - Teams working closely together
 - Example of usage: The Todo API will be used by a few teams in a company

Example Interaction

Example Interaction - Generated Contract

```
"provider": {"name": "todo-api-producer-pact"},
"consumer": {"name": "todo-api-consumer-pact"},
"interactions": [
        "description": "a request to update the todo",
        "request": {
            "method": "PUT",
            "path": "/todos/1",
            "headers": {"Content-Type": "application/json"},
            "body": {"message": "Make all the beds"},
            "matchingRules": {
                "path": {"": {"matchers": [{
                                 "match": "regex",
                                 "regex": "/todos/1"
                            }],
                        "combine": "AND"
                    }},
                "header": {},
                "body": {}
        "response": {"status": 204},
        "providerStates": [
            {"name": "an todo of id 1 has already been created"}
```

Test generated for Producer

- The interactions also form tests for the Producer
- Defines the interactions the Consumer wants to see fulfilled
- Allows consumers to drive out the features that they want to see and use
- Decouples dependencies during the development process

Contract broker

- An application for sharing for contracts (Pacts)
- Pact provide a broker

