

Codes extracted from C4 Interview Question (Use of code smell detection tools)

Interviewee	Raw answer (full)	Text snippet 1		Text snippet 2		Text snippet 3		Text snippet 4	
		Raw answer	Code	Raw answer	Code	Raw answer	Code	Raw answer	Code
I1	<p>A1: Yes. The tools may vary depending on the project, but it's very common to commits and MRs be subject to a CircleCI pipeline or similar tool in which we include a step that runs a Linter in the codebase</p> <p>A2: CircleCI, Github Actions and custom linters for the language, in the case of Golang for example: golanci-lint</p> <p>A3: I only run linters and refactor any code smell that might be pointed out after the code is done (sometimes, only after the code was tested by the unit tests); I do not run any linting or any testing whatsoever for code I consume (third party, open source projects, etc.) as part of a personal policy of not maintaining code that do not belong to me and/or I did not produce. If I do not trust the code I'm using or consuming, then I shouldn't be using it</p>	Yes [...] it's very common to commits [...] be subject to a CircleCI pipeline or similar tool	Automated detection on commits	Yes [...] it's very common to [...] MRs be subject to a CircleCI pipeline or similar tool	Automated detection on MRs (merge requests)	I only run linters and refactor any code smell that might be pointed out after the code is done (sometimes, only after the code was tested by the unit tests)	Automated detection on code before testing	I only run linters and refactor any code smell that might be pointed out after the code is done (sometimes, only after the code was tested by the unit tests)	Automated detection on tested code
I2	<p>A1: I use ESLint with most default rules.</p> <p>A2: I run it while producing code. I never thought about doing it in code I consume.</p> <p>A3: I consider code as done only after any smells communicated by ESLint are resolved, so I don't run it again after that. However, I do run it again while reviewing code done by teammates to make sure this practice is being followed.</p>	I run it while producing code.	Automated detection on produced code	[...] I do run it again while reviewing code done by teammates to make sure this practice is being followed	Automated detection during code review				
I3	<p>A1: (From C1) Yes, but we are currently not using any tools for analyzing it</p> <p>A2: Not encouraged by the teams I currently work with. This would require some collective effort for addressing the detected issues</p> <p>A3: Maybe, but I believe leaderships tend to prioritize other good practices first, like testing. For personal projects, tools like SonarQube usually require some setup that are an overkill for the project size</p>	Not encouraged by the teams I currently work with. This would require some collective effort for addressing the detected issues	Automated detection not encouraged by the team	Not encouraged by the teams I currently work with. This would require some collective effort for addressing the detected issues	Automated detection requires collective effort	Maybe, but I believe leaderships tend to prioritize other good practices first, like testing	Code smells detection is not a priority	[...] For personal projects, tools like SonarQube usually require some setup that are an overkill for the project size	Tool setup is not worth it

I4	<p>A1: We use tools such as GitLab to review each other's code, so that the code we produce is readable and understood to everyone on the team.</p> <p>A2: We use both GitLab and multiple StyleLint plugins to detect bad practices while coding with TypeScript.</p>	<p>We use tools such as GitLab to review each other's code, so that the code we produce is readable and understood to everyone on the team</p>	Automated detection during code review	<p>We use both GitLab and multiple StyleLint plugins to detect bad practices while coding with TypeScript.</p>	Automated detection on produced code				
I5	<p>A1: No. I only use ESLint and Prettier. Other projects use SonarQube, but not mine.</p> <p>A2: Not anything in particular. Because as I mentioned, I'm used to work on projects that already have some time running, so I don't know exactly why. Maybe company culture</p>	[...] Maybe company culture	Company culture						
I6	<p>A1: Yes</p> <p>A2: Sonarqube</p> <p>A3: I have sonar lint into my IDE which shows to me code smells, so I fix while I produce my code. But we have maintenance task to refactor in case we have code smells into our reports</p>	<p>I have sonar lint into my IDE which shows to me code smells, so I fix while I produce my code</p>	Automated detection on produced code	<p>But we have maintenance task to refactor in case we have code smells into our reports</p>	Automated detection on maintained code				

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