Integration Testing with Testcontainers

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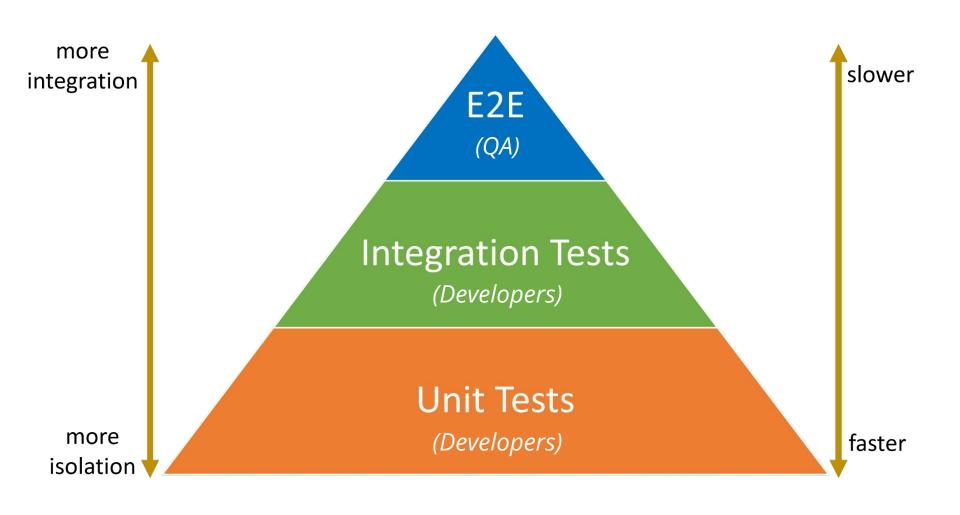


Who here writes tests?



Who here likes maintaining tests?





Why Integration Tests

- → We make CRUD apps
 - DBs queries contain most of the important logic and performance risk
- Mocking everything tests nothing
 - Mocks make hard-to-maintain tests especially when refactoring

- But integrations tests are slower than unit tests, so don't overdo it
 - Do not use them for things like validations or pure functions

The problem of running today's apps

- → Cloud-native infrastructure & microservices
 - First run MySQL, Redis, Kafka and Service B every single time...
 - ... or use mocks/in-memory services that won't act like the real thing
 - ... or connect to Cloud environment's instances
 - ... and make sure there's no existing corrupted data
 - ... and only then you run/test your service locally or in CI



Testcontainers







- → Bootstrap dependencies with Docker containers
- → Test/Run using the exact same services you use in production
- Port randomization for parallel test execution
- → Automatic cleanup & teardown with Ryuk sidecar container

- → Languages: **Node.js**, Java, .NET, Go, Python, Rust, Haskell, Ruby
- Modules: GenericContainer, MongoDB, MySQL, Elasticsearch, Kafka etc.

Testing with Jest

```
describe("MongoDB App Test", () => {
let container: StartedTestContainer
beforeAll(async () => {
   container = await new GenericContainer("mongo:6").withExposedPorts(27017).start();
   process.env.DB URI = `mongodb://localhost:${container.getMappedPort(27017)}`;
 afterAll(async () => {
   await container.stop();
 it("should do something", async () => {
```

Running a NestJS app locally

```
// src/main.ts
async function bootstrap() {
let container;
 if (!process.env.DB URI) {
   container = await new GenericContainer("mongo:6").withExposedPorts(27017).start();
   process.env.DB URI = `mongodb://localhost:${container.getMappedPort(27017)}/jedi`;
 const app = await NestFactory.create(AppModule);
 await app.listen(3000);
bootstrap();
```

Using Docker Compose

```
// docker-compose.yaml
services:
  mongo:
    image: "mongo:6"
    ports:
        - "27017:27017"
```

```
// src/main.ts
async function bootstrap() {
   await new DockerComposeEnvironment(
     .up();
   process.env.DB URI =
 const app = await NestFactory.create(AppModule);
 await app.listen(3000);
bootstrap();
```

Demo

Questions?

https://github.com/nachevm/integration-testing-with-testcontainers



