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A TESTABLE ARCHITECTURE

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# What do I do?

*Delivering software*

*Build automation*

*Test automation*

*Deployment automation*

*Implementing software*

*Test-Driven Development, TDD*

*Behaviour-Driven Development, BDD*

*Clean and maintainable code*

*Mentoring and teaching*

*DevOps*

*Developers*

*What ever is needed*

*Testers*

*Behaviour-Driven Development*

*Test automation*

Definition of done

**Working software, in production.**

*Used by real users.*



# **Goal**

**Understand what to build**

**Implement it with confidence**

**Make it available to our users**

# How is confidence created?

## Trustworthy

*adjective*

adjective: **trustworthy**

able to be relied on as honest or truthful.

"leave a spare key with a trustworthy neighbour"

Similar:

reliable   dependable   honest   full of integrity   worthy of trust

honourable   upright   principled   true   truthful   as good as one's word

ethical   virtuous   incorruptible   unimpeachable   above suspicion

responsible   sensible   level-headed   loyal   faithful   true-blue   staunch

steadfast   trusty   constant   unswerving   unwavering   tried and trusted

tried and true   safe   secure   sound   guaranteed   unfailing   foolproof

never-failing   reputable   on the level   sure-fire   straight-up

Opposite:

untrustworthy   unreliable   shifty   ^

## **How do you know that a program is trustworthy?**

You test it

Is everything testable?

Not without a lot of problems

You need an architecture  
that simplifies testing

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# Today, I only talk about *functional* testing

*Not*

Capacity/Load

Penetration

There is always an **architecture**

***Hard to test***

***Easier to test***

# Why are some architectures hard to test?

Cultural problem

**Testing isn't a first class citizen\***

**Some see testing as SEP\*\***

\*A member of a class of individuals that receive fair treatment.

\*\* Somebody elses problem

Douglas Adams,  
Hitch hikers guide to the galaxy.  
A trilogy in five parts

# Why are some architectures easier to test?

Culture\*

**Tests is a first class citizen**

**Testing is a first class activity**

**Testing is your probelm, not SEP**

**Tests are used to drive the development**

\* No matter what they tell you, it's always a people problem.  
Gerald Weinberg

# What is a testable architecture?

It is an architecture that supports

The possibility to create confidence that the system works as intended

Short feedback loops

Low cost maintenance

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**You can't have your cake and eat it**

**Confidence** ✓ ✗

**Speed** ✗ ✓

**Low cost** ✗ ✓

**Can we get the best out of both worlds?**

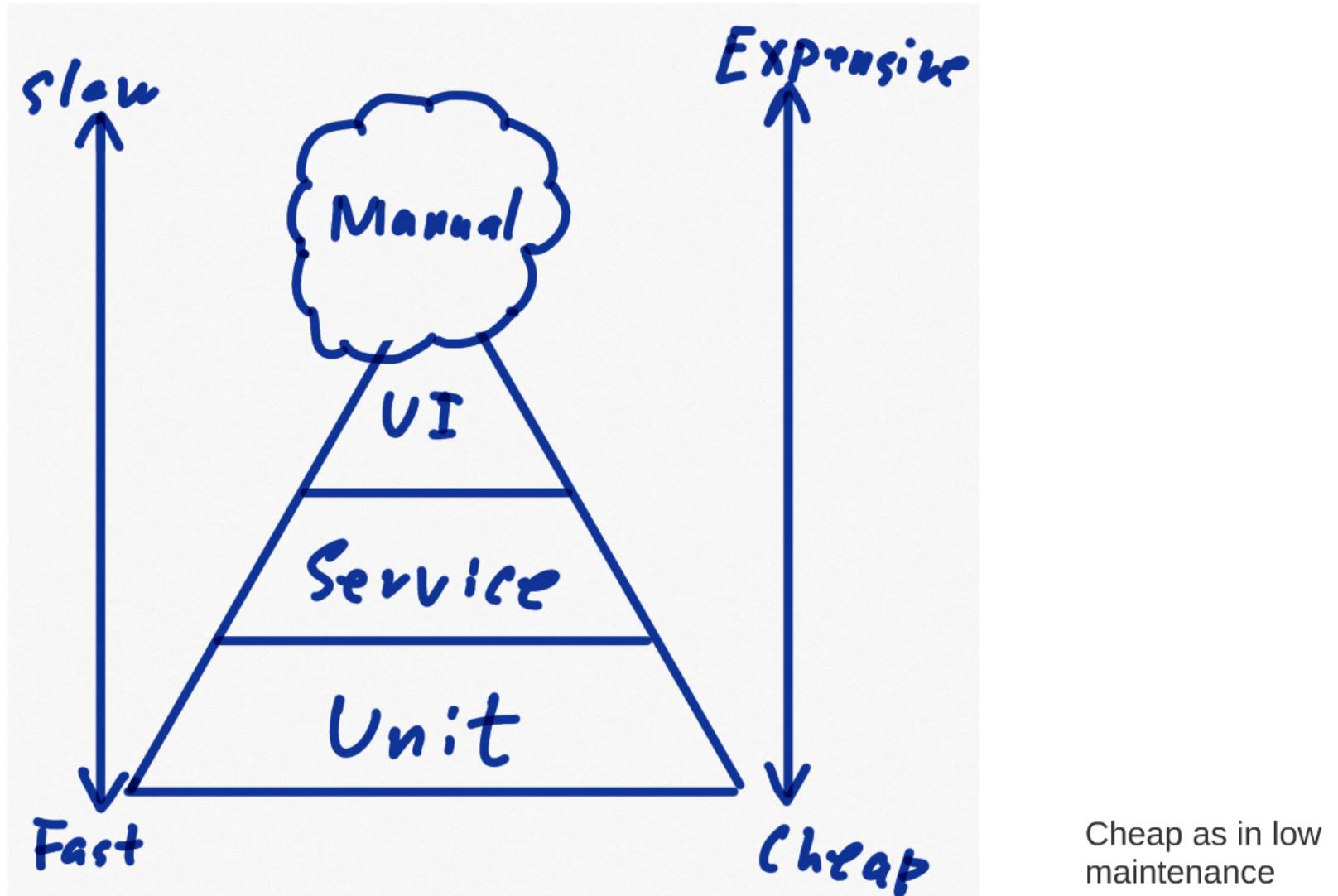
**Is it possible to combine**

**Confidence**

**Speed**

**Low cost**





**Take control over the world**

Dependencies must be *configurable*

Inject the dependencies needed

Usually through a constructor

I usually avoid magic

## An example

A todo list

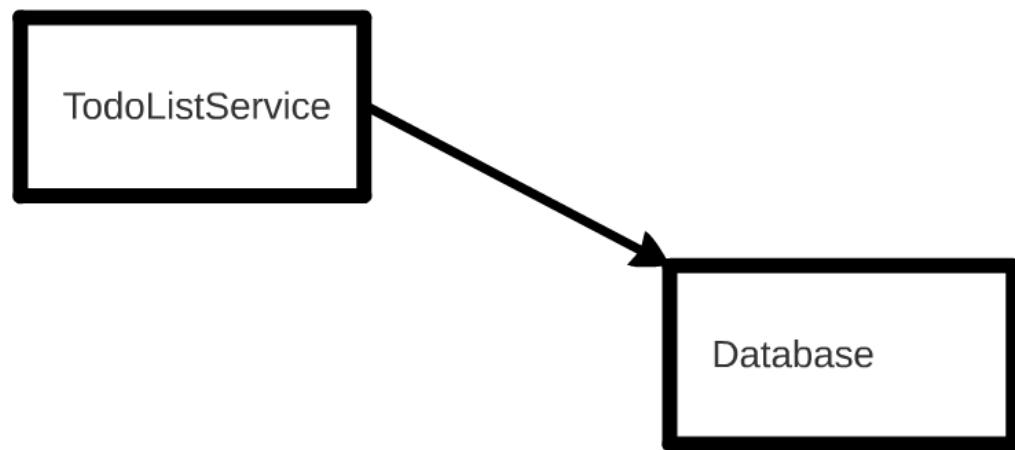
Add tasks

Get tasks

The one where Thomas remembers to buy cat food.

# Stakeholders

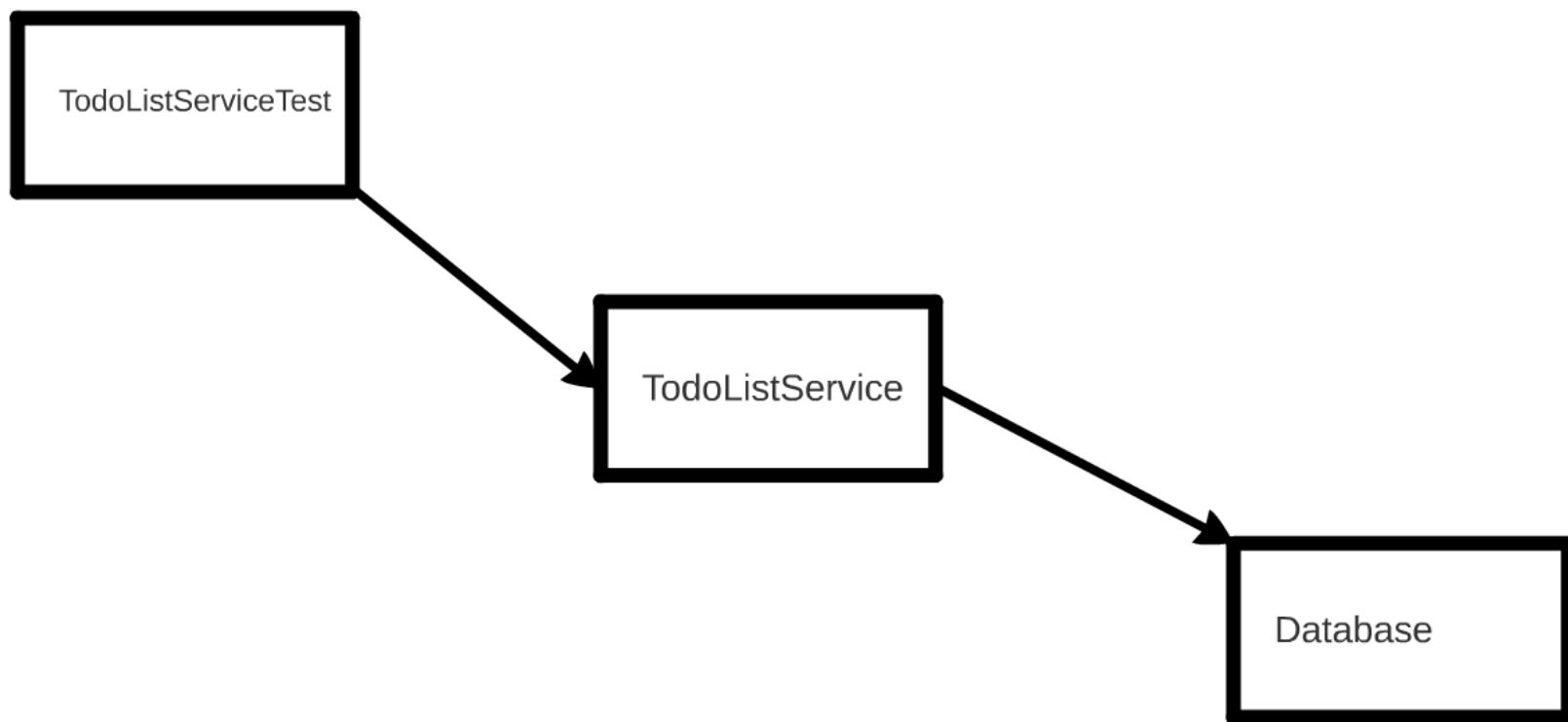




# Configurable dependencies

***Push*** the dependencies you need into the objects that need a collaborator

```
public TodoListService(Database database) {  
    this.database = database;  
}
```



```
@Test
public void add_task() {
    Database database = mock(Database.class);
    TodoListService todoListService = new TodoListService(database);
    Owner owner = new Owner("Thomas");
    Task task = new Task("Buy food for the cat");

    todoListService.addTask(owner, task);

    verify(database).addTask(owner, task);
}
```

```
@Test
public void get_tasks() {
    Database database = mock(Database.class);
    TodoListService todoListService = new TodoListService(database);
    Owner owner = new Owner("Thomas");

    todoListService.getTasks(owner);

    verify(database).getTasks(owner);
}
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**Confidence**

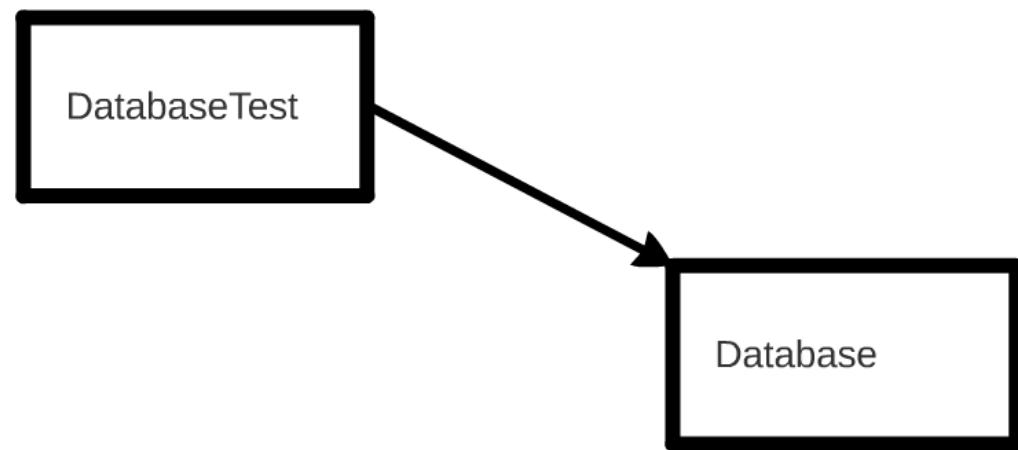


**Speed**



**Low cost**





# The database is *slow*

Contract testing to the rescue

Verify the **real** database and a **fake** database with the same test suite

If they are **equal** from a functional perspective, I **trust** the fake

## Plan:

Implement the database as an interface

Create a proper implementation - **SqlDatabase**

Create a fake implementation - **InMemoryDatabase**

<b>Confidence</b>	✓	✗
<b>Speed</b>	✗	✓
<b>Low cost</b>	✗	✓

```
@Test
public void should_add_a_task() {
    Owner owner = new Owner("Malin");
    Task task = new Task("Buy Minutuu");
    database.addTask(owner, task);

    List<Task> actual = database.getTasks(owner);

    assertThat(actual).containsExactly(task);
}
```



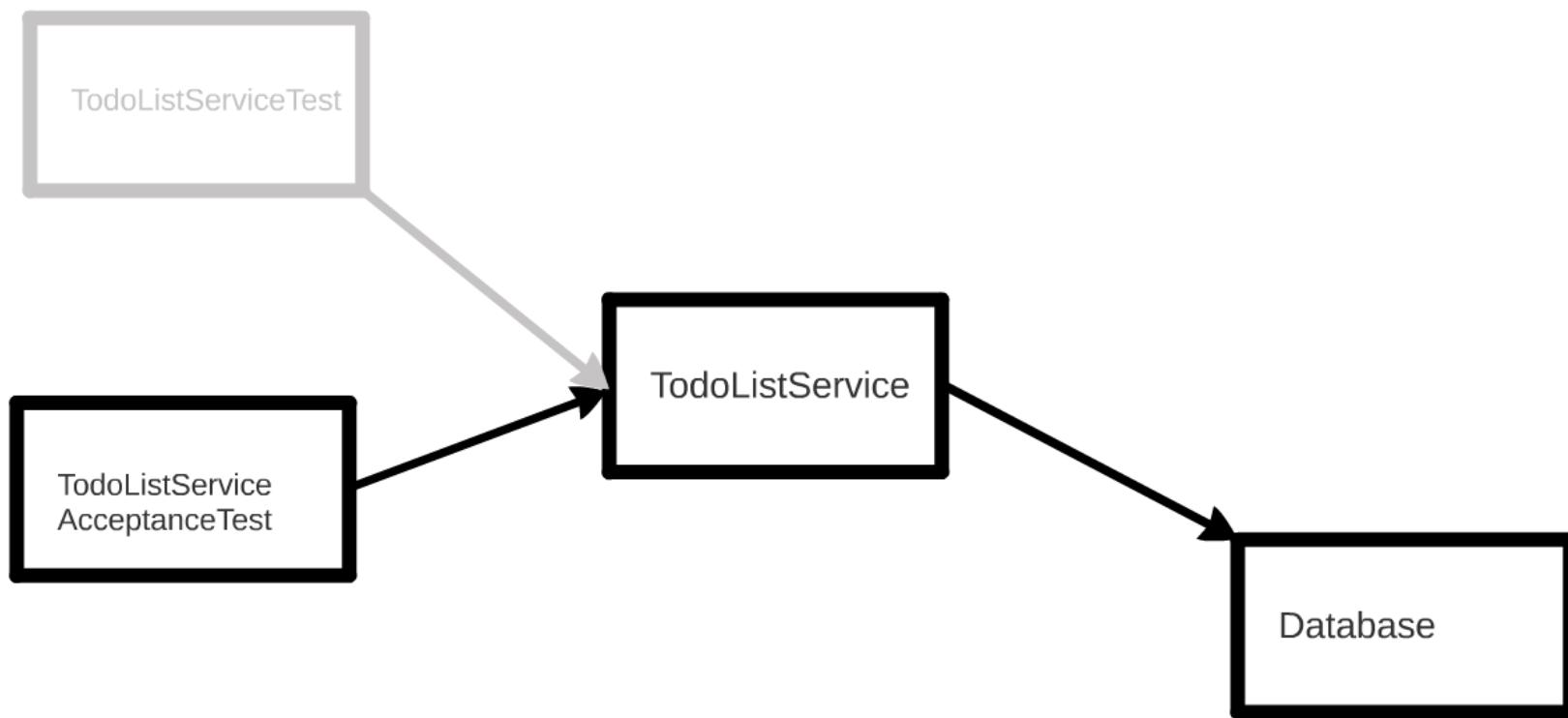
```
public abstract class DatabaseTests {  
    Database database;  
  
    @Test  
    public void should_add_a_task() {  
        Owner owner = new Owner("Malin");  
        Task task = new Task("Buy Minutuu");  
        database.addTask(owner, task);  
  
        List<Task> actual = database.getTasks(owner);  
  
        assertThat(actual).containsExactly(task);  
    }  
}
```

## Inheritance allows me to verify the real thing and the fake

```
public class SqlDatabaseTest extends DatabaseTests {  
    public SqlDatabaseTest() {  
        database = new SqlDatabase();  
    }  
}
```

```
public class InMemoryDatabaseTest extends DatabaseTests {  
    public InMemoryDatabaseTest() {  
        database = new InMemoryDatabase();  
    }  
}
```

Confidence	✓	✗
Speed	✗	✓
Low cost	✗	✓



```
public class TodoListAcceptanceTest {  
    @Test  
    public void should_remember_to_buy_cat_food() {  
        Database database = new InMemoryDatabase();  
        TodoListService todoListService = new TodoListService(database);  
        Owner owner = new Owner("Thomas");  
        Task task = new Task("Buy food for the cat");  
  
        todoListService.addTask(owner, task);  
  
        List<Task> actual = todoListService.getTasks(owner);  
  
        assertThat(actual).containsExactly(task);  
    }  
}
```

The fake

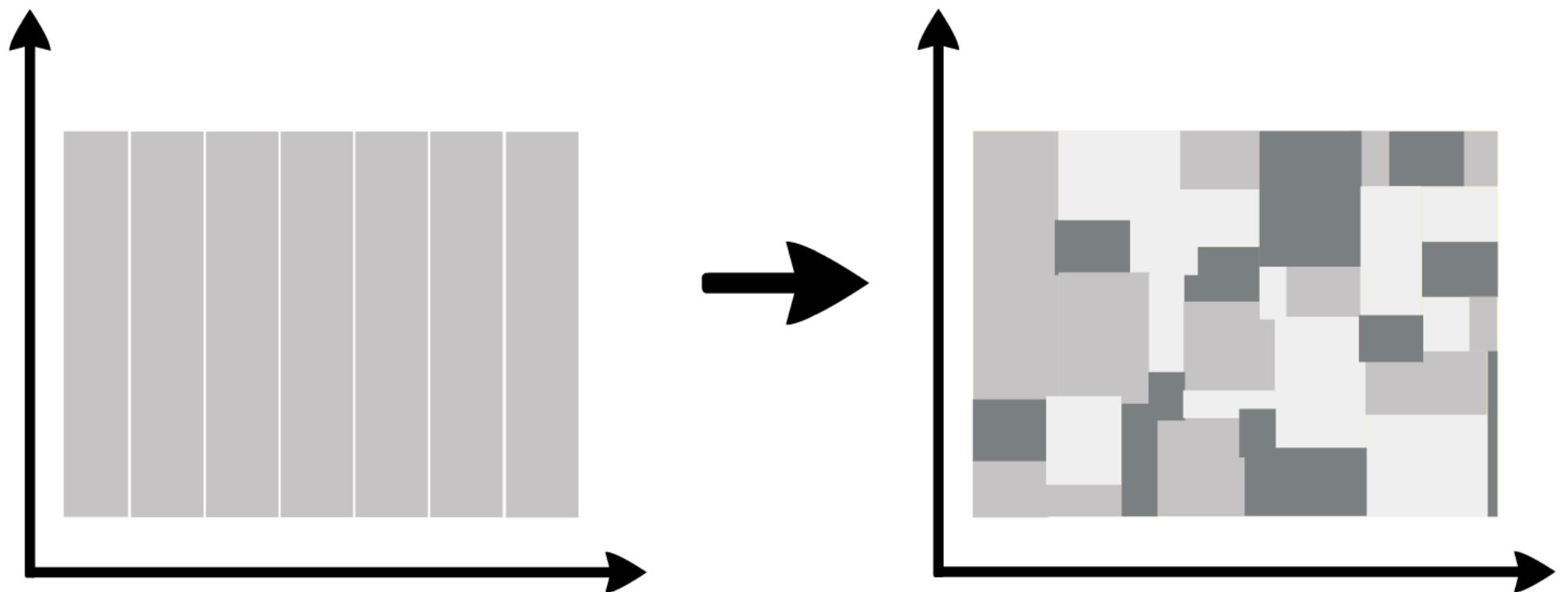


**Confidence** ✓

**Speed** ✓

**Low cost** ✓

**Is this idea thrustworthy?**





## **Can we trust a patch work?**

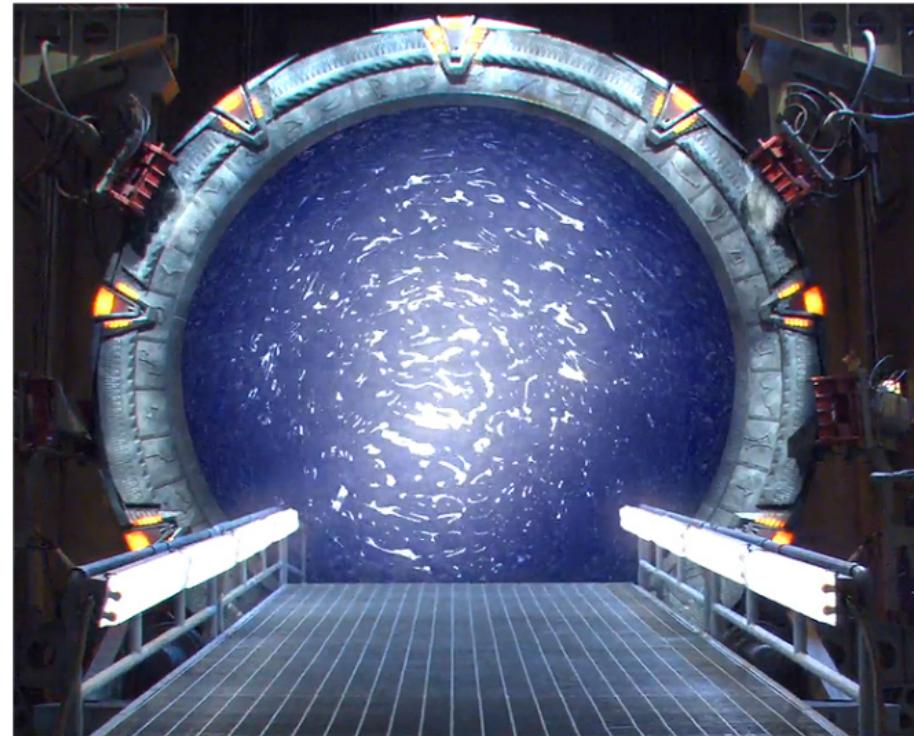
Most tests are small and only covers a tiny part...

**I trust it and wouldn't try to sell it to you if I didn't.**

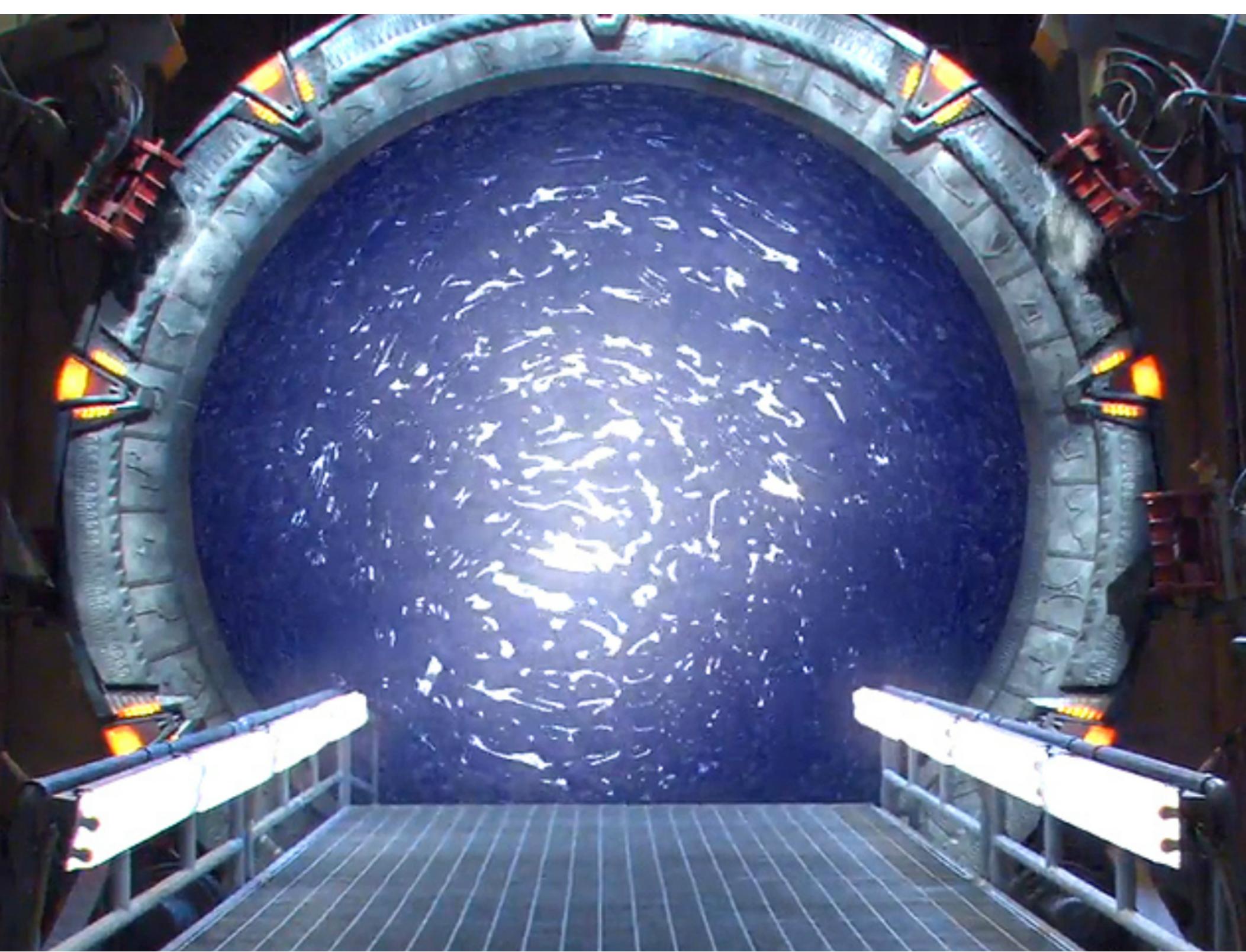
**Talk is cheap, show me the code!**

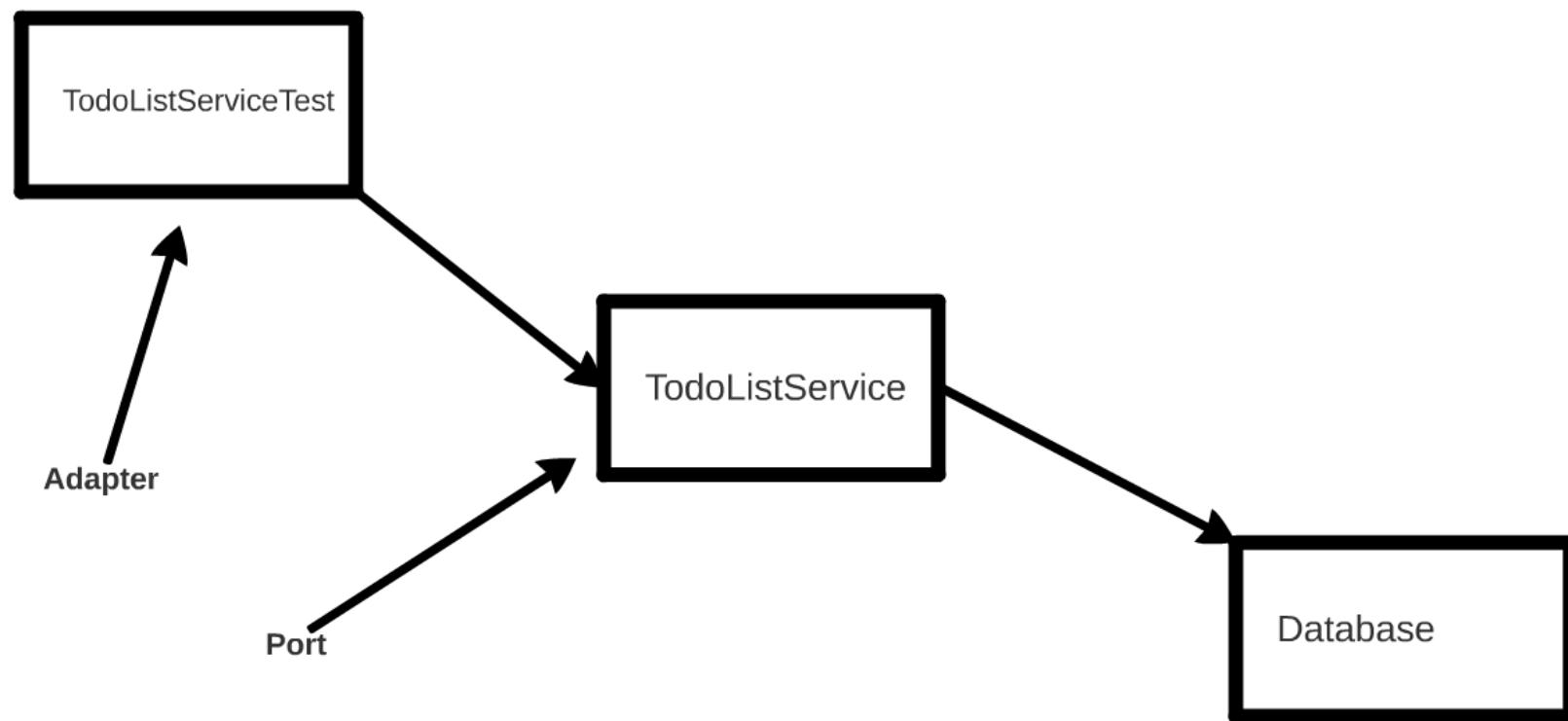
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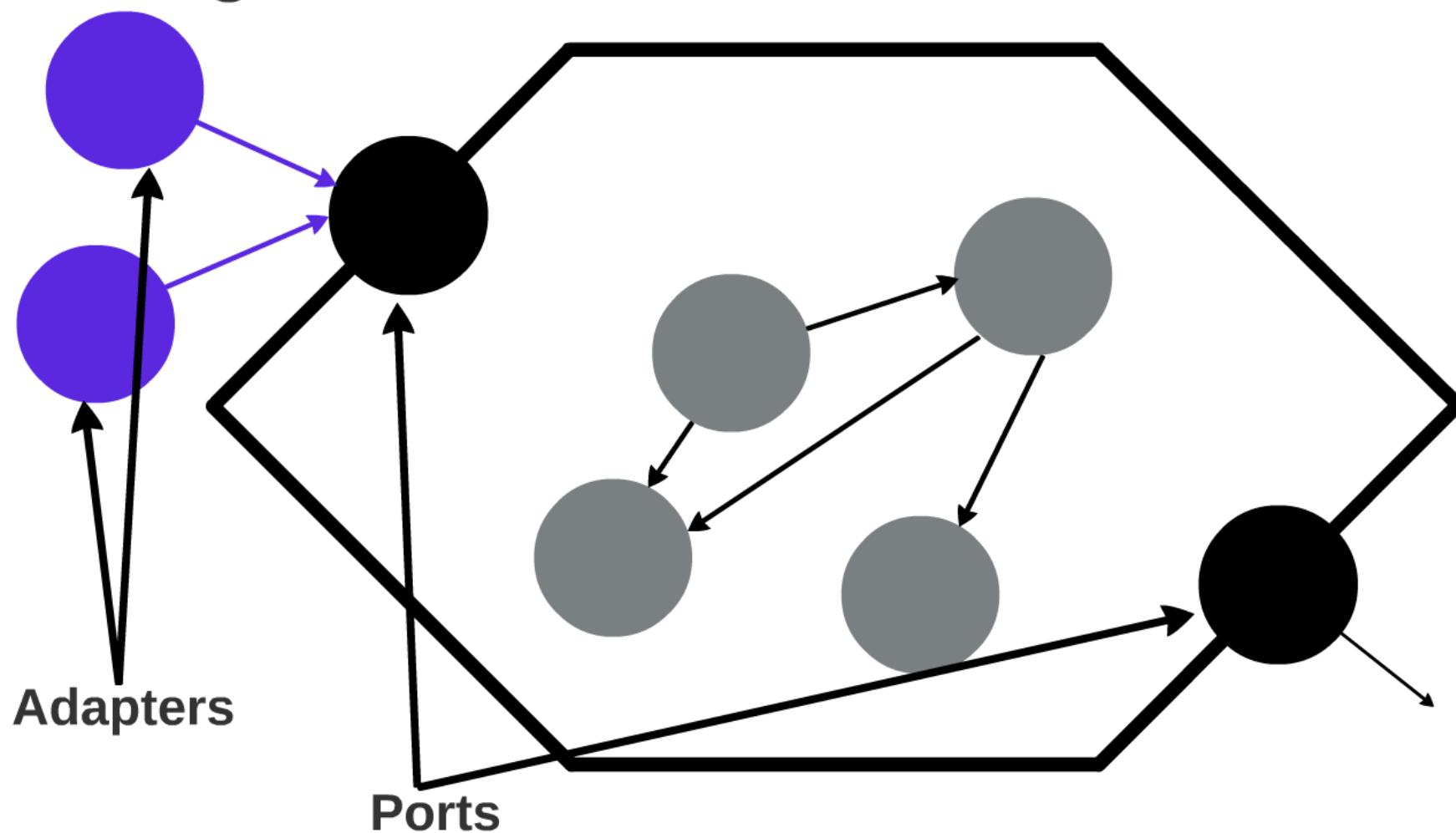


The port at  
Stargate sg1





# Hexagonal architecture



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Why the name Hexagonal?

All other shapes was already  
used for drawing  
arcitectural diagrams...

# Hexagonal architecture

With configurable  
dependencies



# Conclusion

Maximize the work not done\*

Don't automate something that didn't need doing in the first place

Take control over the world

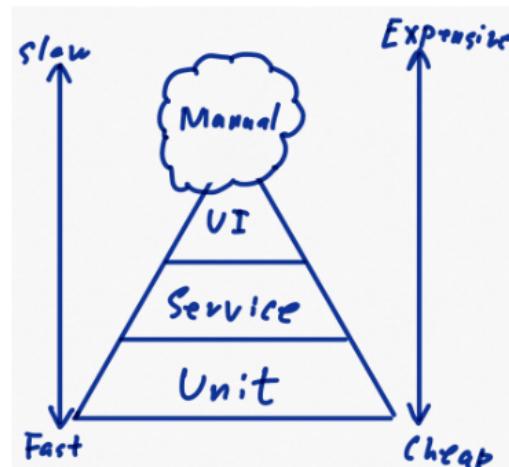
Use configurable dependences

Focus on

**Confidence**

**Speed**

**Low cost**



**Hexagonal architecture**

With configurable  
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\*Laziness wins in the end - Viktor Olsson

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The example:

<https://github.com/tsundberg/a-testable-architecture>



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