

# Consumer Driven Contracts

## A hands-on guide to Spring Cloud Contract

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# Why Contract Tests Matter

# Let's get it started!

`start.spring.io`

# Poll

Have you ever used WireMock?

Answers:

yes

no

# Poll

Will the tests...

Answers:

pass

fail

I don't care

# Thumbs up / down

Does it make sense?

# Thumbs up / down

Does it make sense?



QUESTIONS ?

BREAK

## Doing Consumer Driven Contracts with Spring Cloud Contract

# What we will NOT be talking about?

- Schema
- WSDL
- ESB
- XSD
- XSLT

THE IDEA OF SPRING  
CLOUD CONTRACT IS  
NOT TO INTRODUCE  
UNNECESSARY  
COUPLING OR  
REPLICATE OLD  
MISTAKES

# Terminology

- Producer
  - service that exposes an API / sends a message
- Consumer
  - service that consumes the API of the producer / listens to a message from the producer
- Contract
  - agreement between producer and consumer how the API / message will look like
- Consumer Driven Contracts
  - approach where the consumer drives the changes of the API of the producer

# What problems are we trying to solve?

- Stub validity & reusability in the integration tests
- Nice API creation

# Typical situation



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# How to write a test for it?



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# How to write a test for it?



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HTTP



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# Stub validity & reusability

**pivotal-calculator-service** / stub / src / main / resources / testdata / mappings /

This branch is even with develop.

..

post.json

Integration test with history service

post\_bad\_request.json

Update testdata

put.json

put\_not\_found.json

Integration test with history service

CONSUMER OWNS THE STUB  
DEFINITIONS

# Stub validity & reusability

```
{
  "priority": 99,
  "request": {
    "method": "POST",
    "url": "/history"
  },
  "response": {
    "status": 201,
    "headers": {
      "Content-Type": "application/json"
    }
  }
}
```

```
1  {
2    "priority": 1,
3    "request": {
4      "method": "POST",
5      "url": "/history",
6      "bodyPatterns": [
7        {
8          "contains": "6+6"
9        }
10     ]
11  },
12  "response": {
13    "status": 400
14  }
15 }
16 }
```

# Stub validity & reusability

Let's assume that we're introducing a new endpoint...

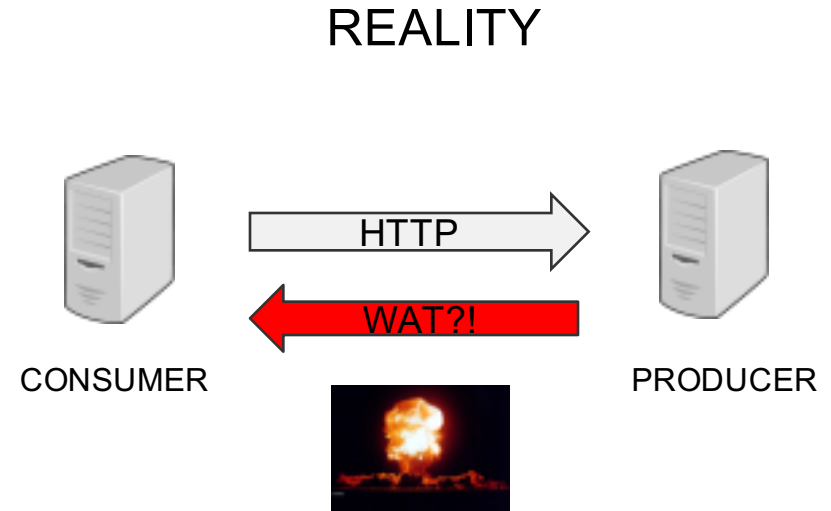
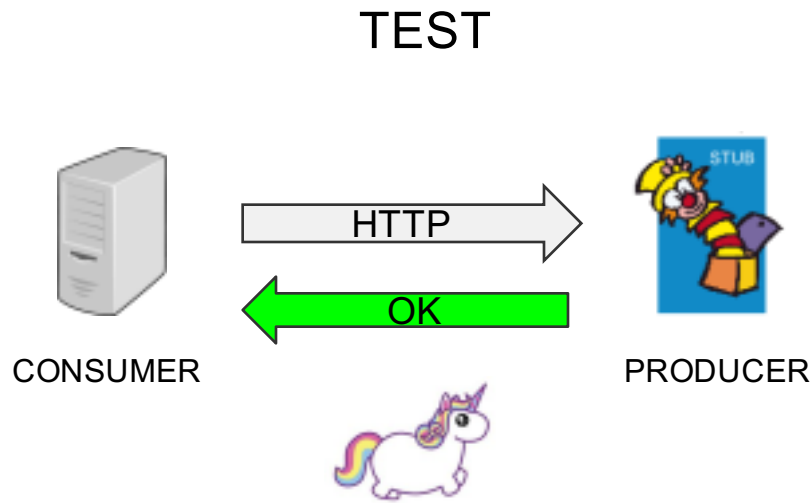
# Stub validity & reusability

```
{  
  "priority": 99,  
  "request": {  
    "method": "POST",  
    "url": "/someNonExistantUrl"  
  },  
  "response": {  
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  }  
}
```

# Stub validity & reusability

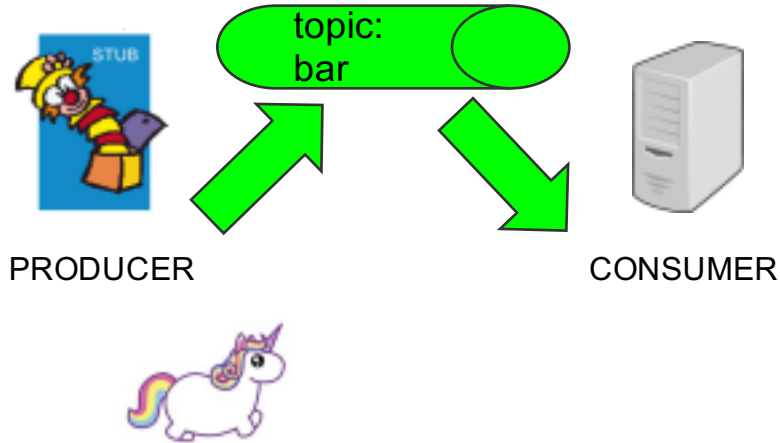
- I write the missing code to work with the new URL
- The unit and integration tests pass
- Now we deploy to an environment where real integrations take place...

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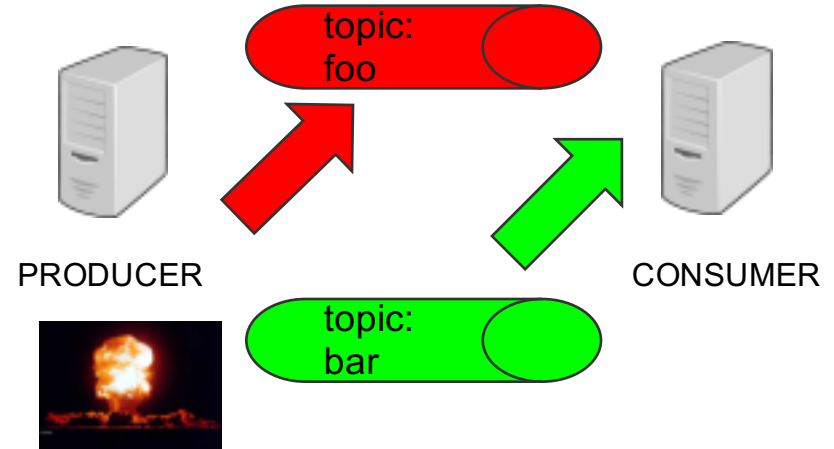


# Stub validity & reusability

## TEST



## REALITY





# Stub validity & reusability

- Stubs reside with the consumer
- Consumer controls the stubbing process
- How are you sure that the stubs are valid?
- What if other teams want to reuse those stubs?
- Do you even know who is calling your API?
- How are you sure you're listening to the proper topic / queue?
- Are you sure you'll deserialize your message properly?

# Nice API Creation

- It's the consumer that uses the API
- Consumers should take part in the creation of the API of the producer
- The producer's API change should be driven by consumers

# Nice API Creation



# Thumbs up / down

- Does it make sense?

# What are we going to code?

- Consumer
  - service that gets beer requests
  - has to ask another service if the client can get the beer
- Producer
  - service that checks if the client is old enough to buy beer
- Feature
  - if the user is too young - the beer will not be sold
  - otherwise the beer will be granted

# What are we going to code?



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A 22 year old wants a beer

Status: OK



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# What are we going to code?



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A 17 year old wants a beer

Status: NOT\_OK



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# What are we going to code?



**CONSUMER**

WHITE TERMINAL  
WHITE IDE



**PRODUCER**

BLACK TERMINAL  
BLACK IDE



# What are we going to code?

## Consumer Phase 1

Consumer's  
offline work



Producer's  
implementing  
the feature



Producer phase

## Consumer Phase 2

Consumer's  
switching to online



# Consumer phase 1

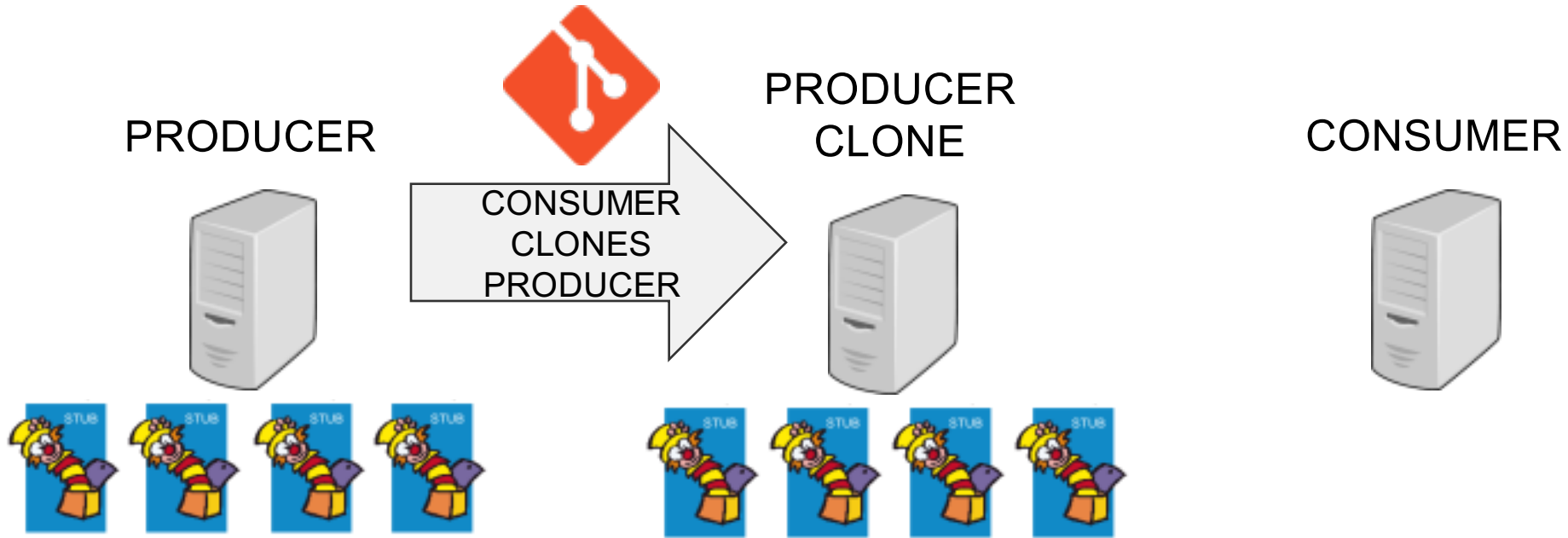
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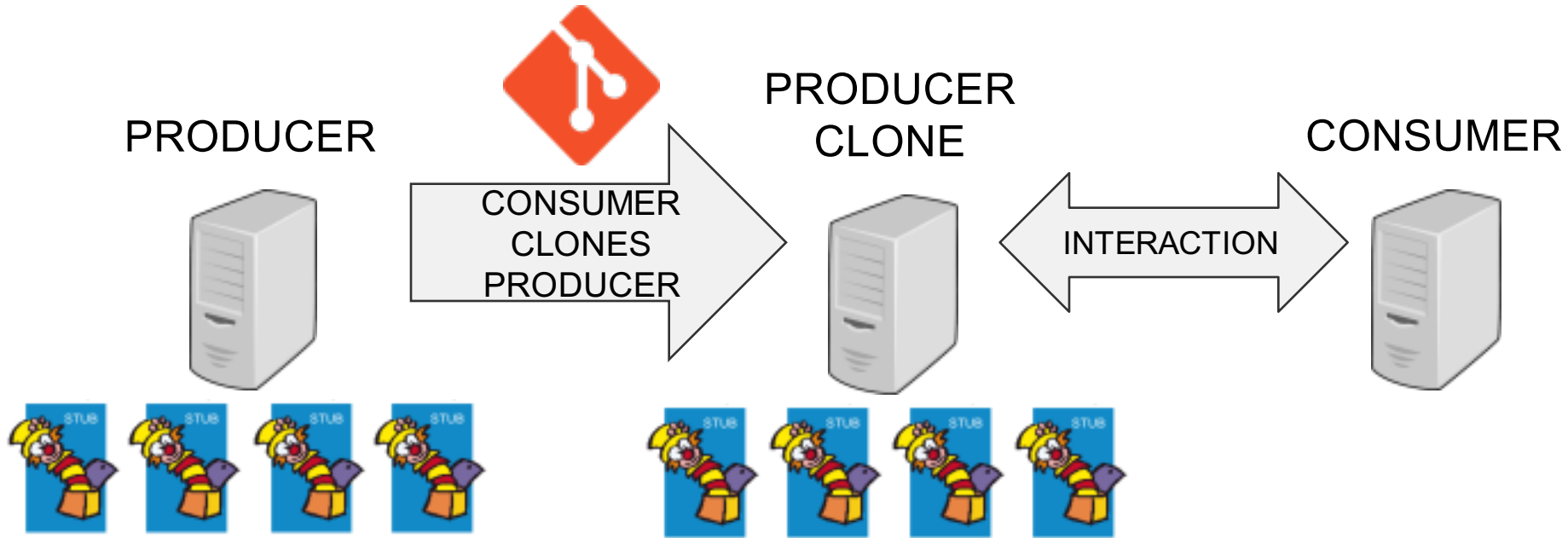
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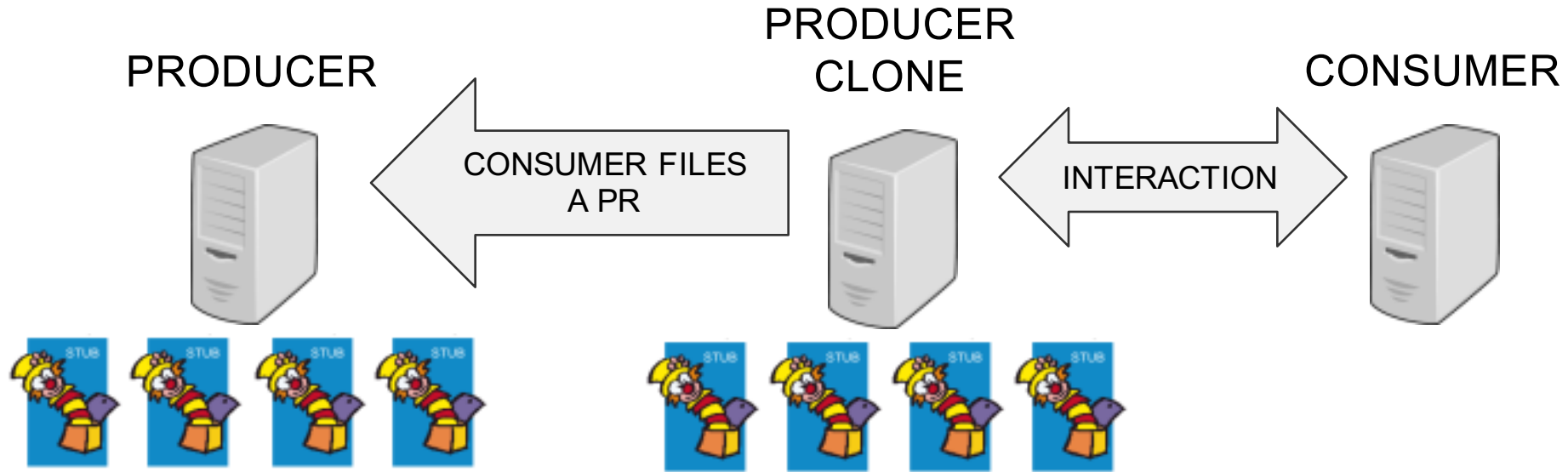
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# Thumbs up / down

- Does it make sense?

# Consumer phase 1

CODE

# Thumbs up / down

- Does it make sense?



# Producer phase

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TAKES OVER THE PR

# Producer phase

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WRITES THE MISSING  
IMPLEMENTATION

TAKES OVER THE PR

# Producer phase

 Nexus



 JFrog Artifactory

**PACT** 

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MERGES TO MASTER  
CI UPLOADS THE  
STUBS

TAKES OVER THE PR



WRITES THE MISSING  
IMPLEMENTATION

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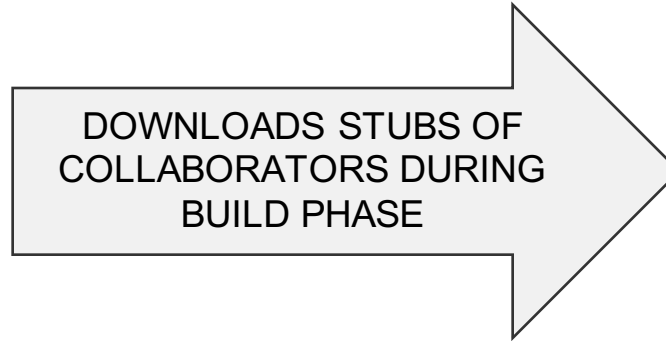
# Producer phase

CODE

# Thumbs up / down

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# Consumer phase 2



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SWITCHES TO  
ONLINE MODE

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# Summary

- we've created an API that suits the consumer and the producer
- expectations were defined by readable contracts
- expectations were tested against the producer
- producer stubs can be reused by consumers
- starting and setting stubs is fully automated

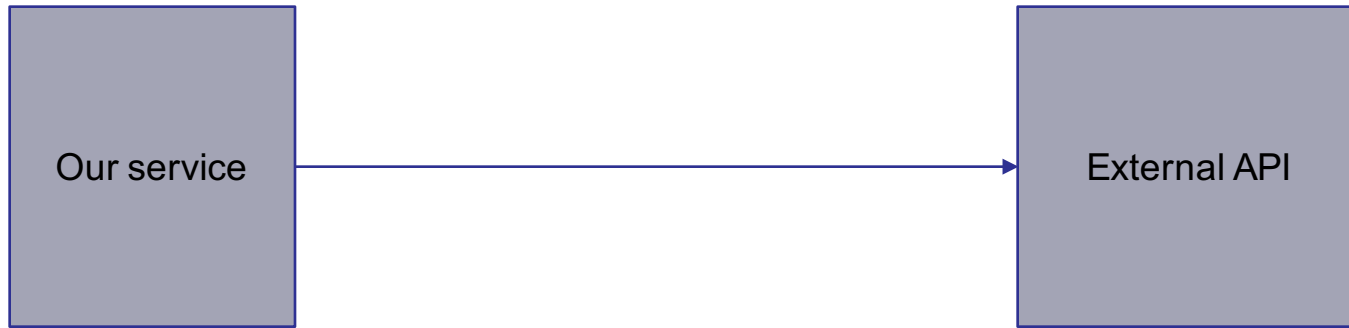
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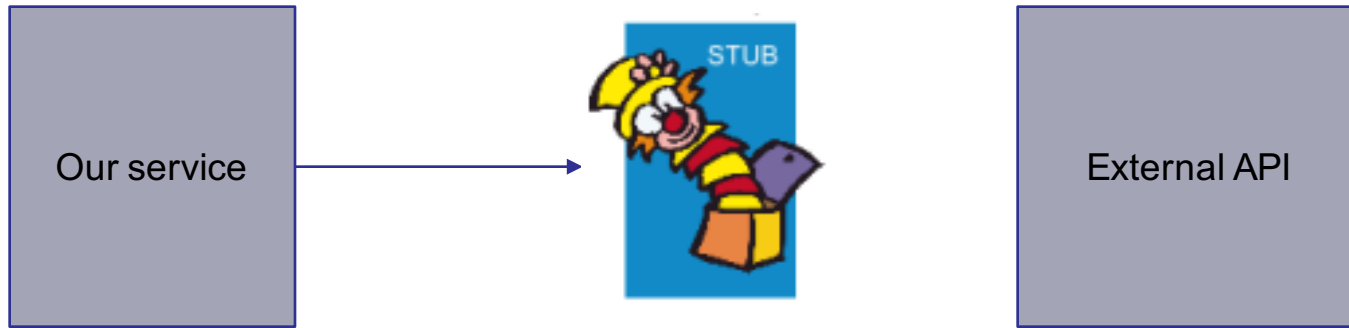
# Spring Cloud Contract Advanced

## Stubbing Services You Don't Own

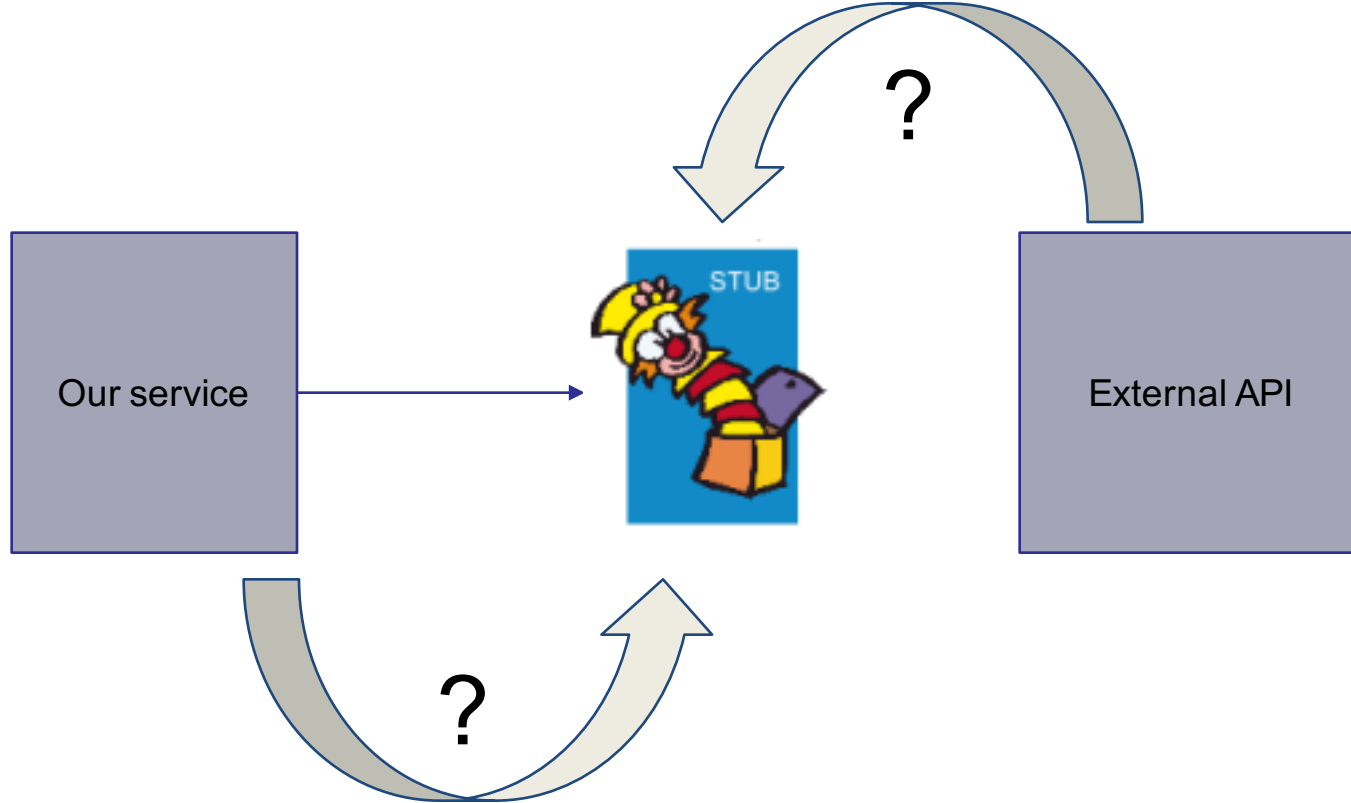
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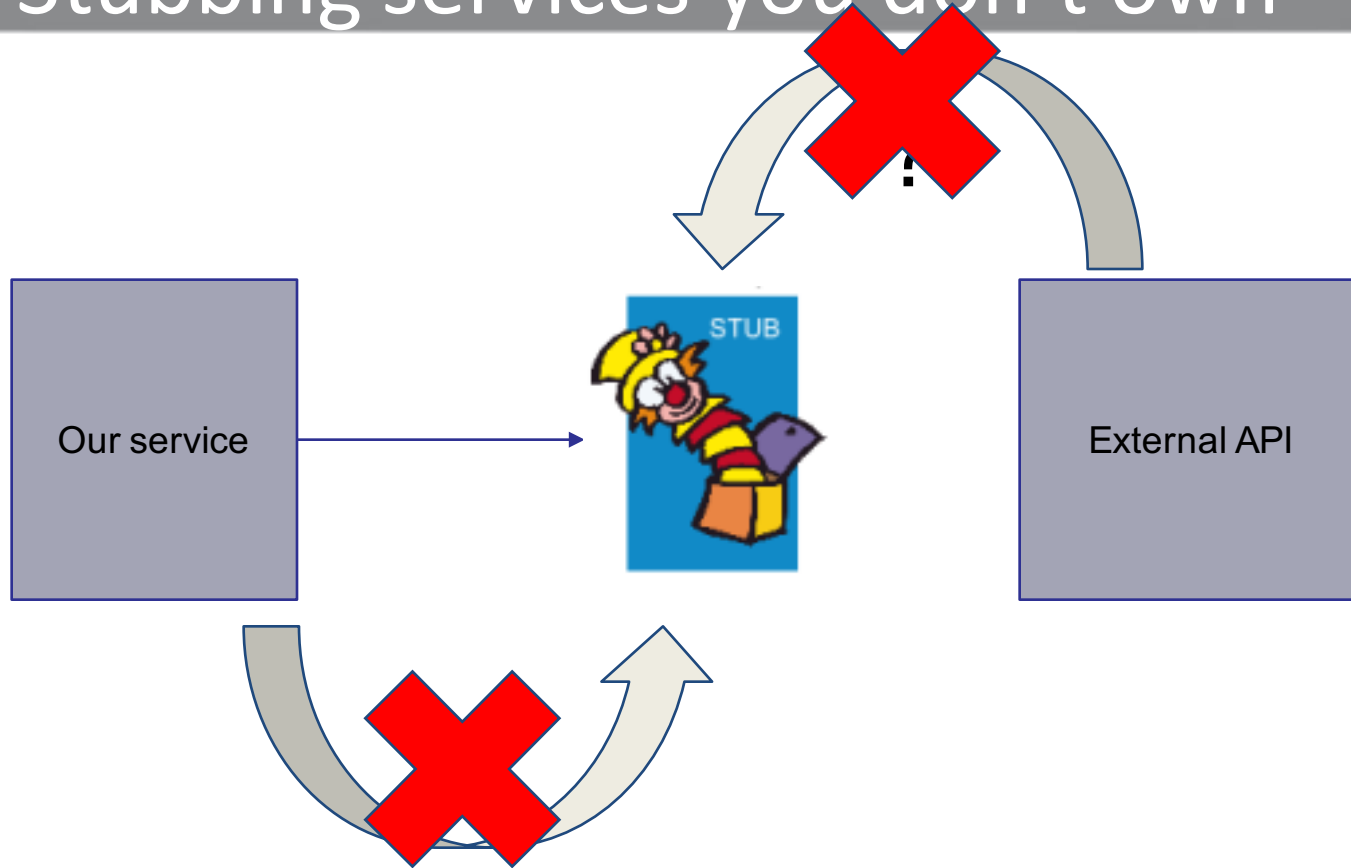


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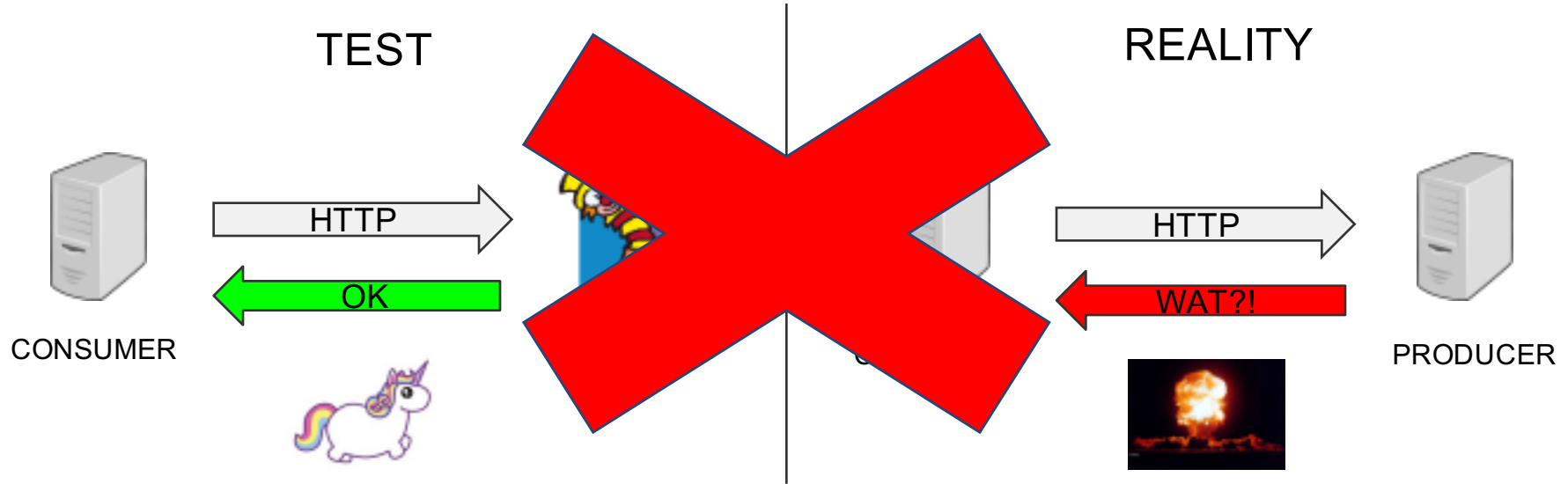
# Stubbing services you don't own



# Stubbing services you don't own

How about writing the stub manually?

# Stubbing services you don't own



# Stubbing services you don't own

What is the source of truth?

# Poll

Client app

The external system

Neither

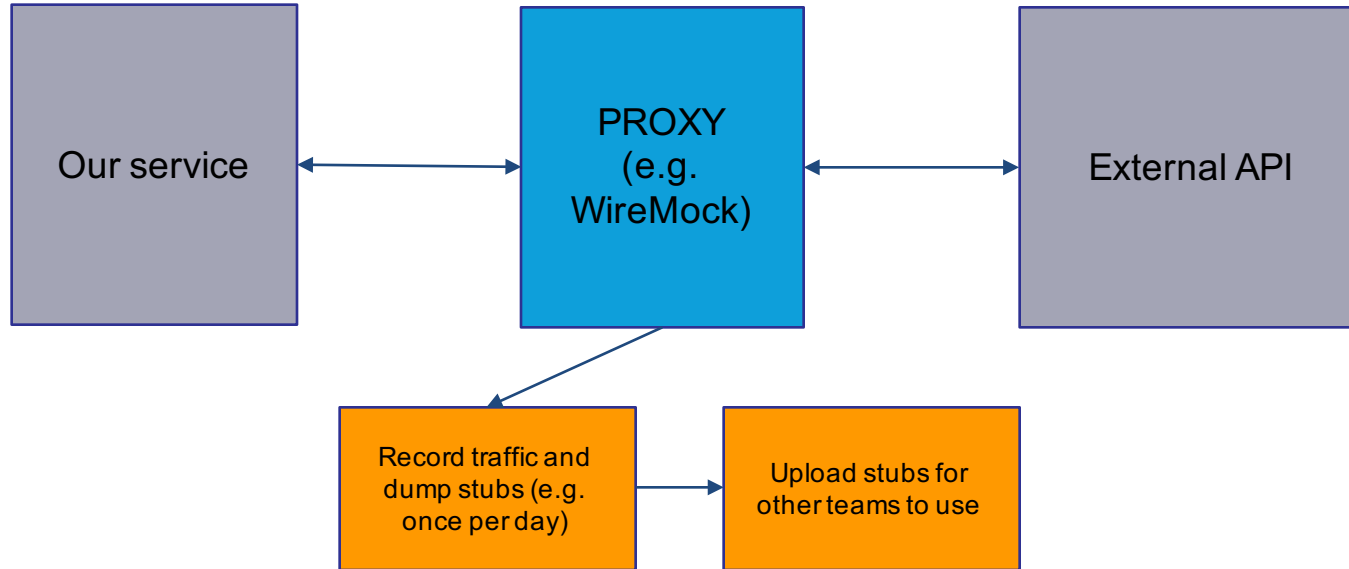
# Stubbing services you don't own

The external system!

# Stubbing services you don't own

Let's call the external service and record the conversation

# Stubbing services you don't own





# Stubbing services you don't own

CODE

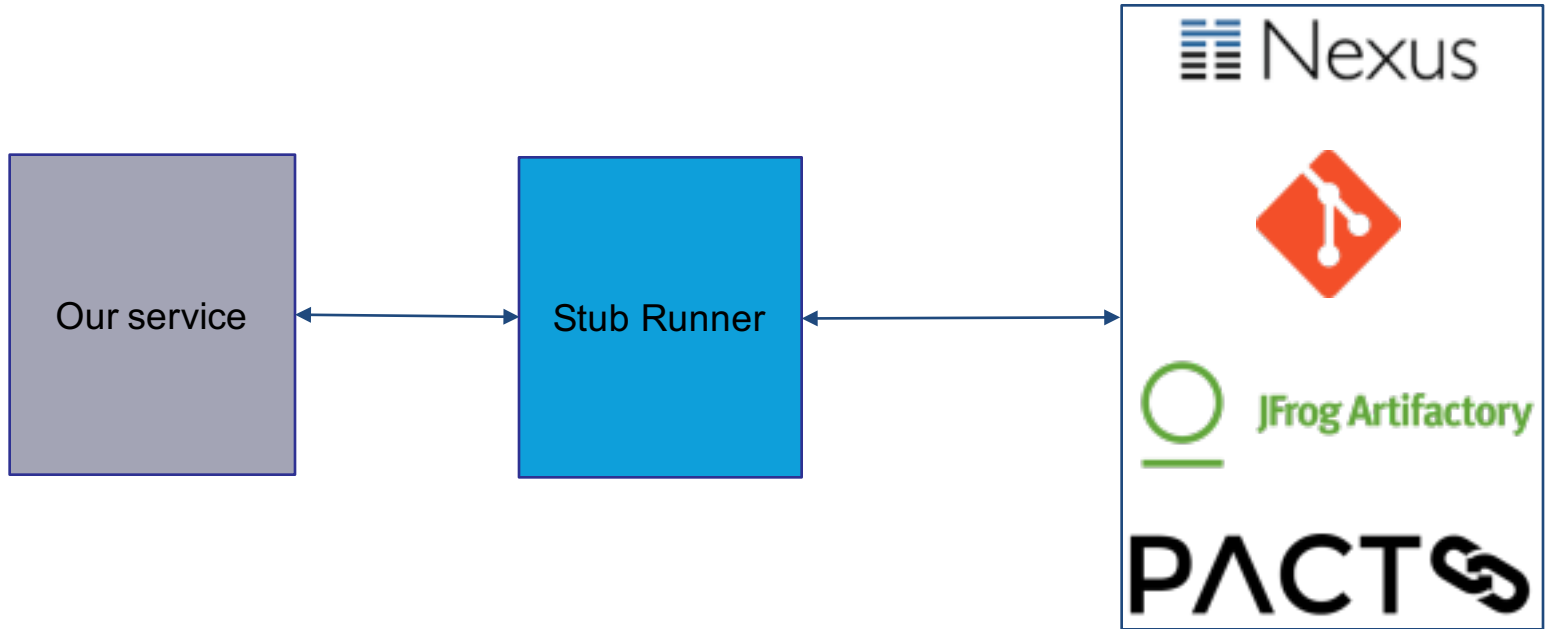
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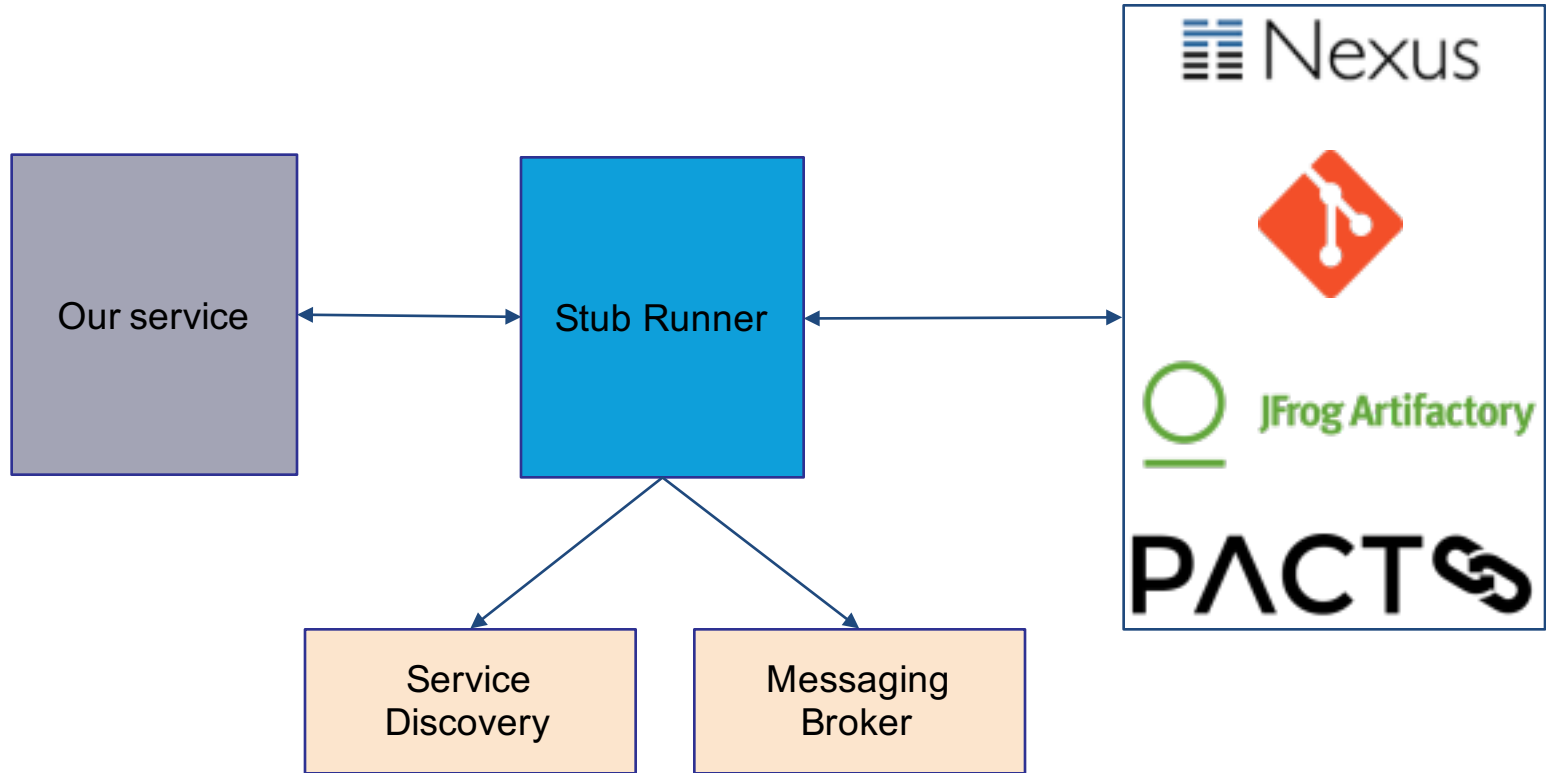
# Running stubs in standalone mode

How to use the stubs if you don't use Java?  
How to use the stubs against a running app ?

# Running stubs in standalone mode



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# Running stubs in standalone mode

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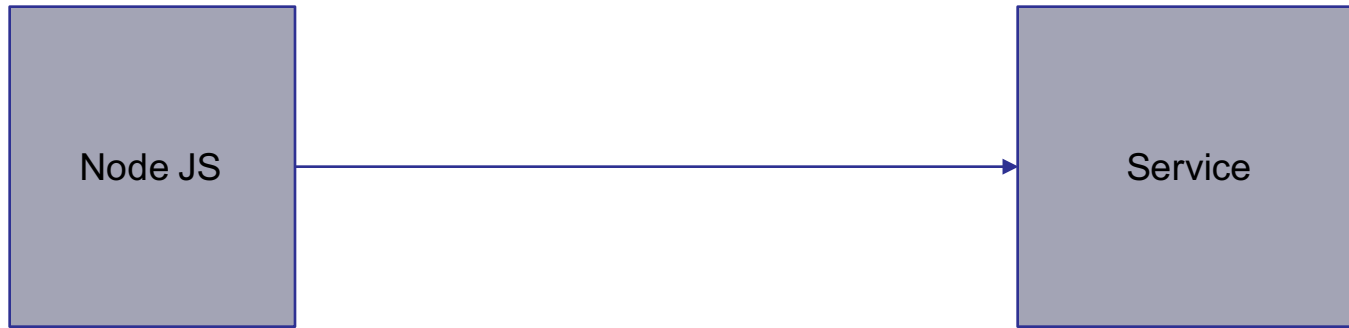
Starting stubs for a polyglot application

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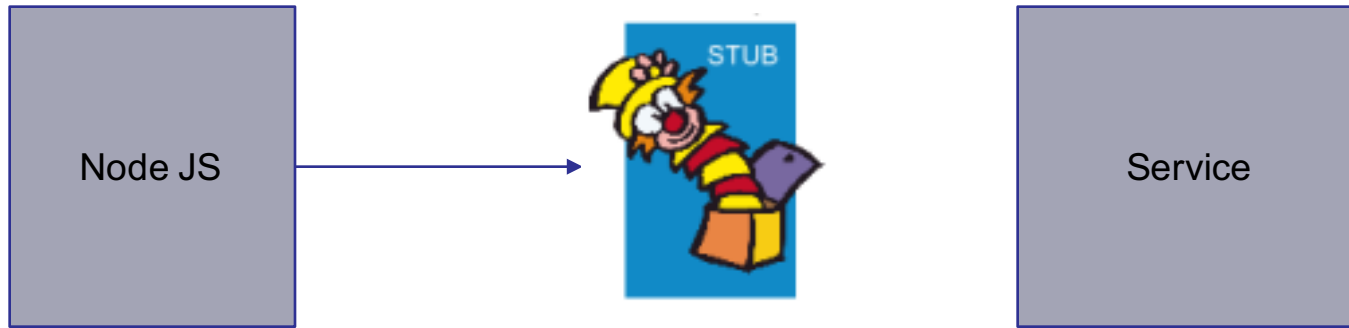
- Do you know NodeJS ?



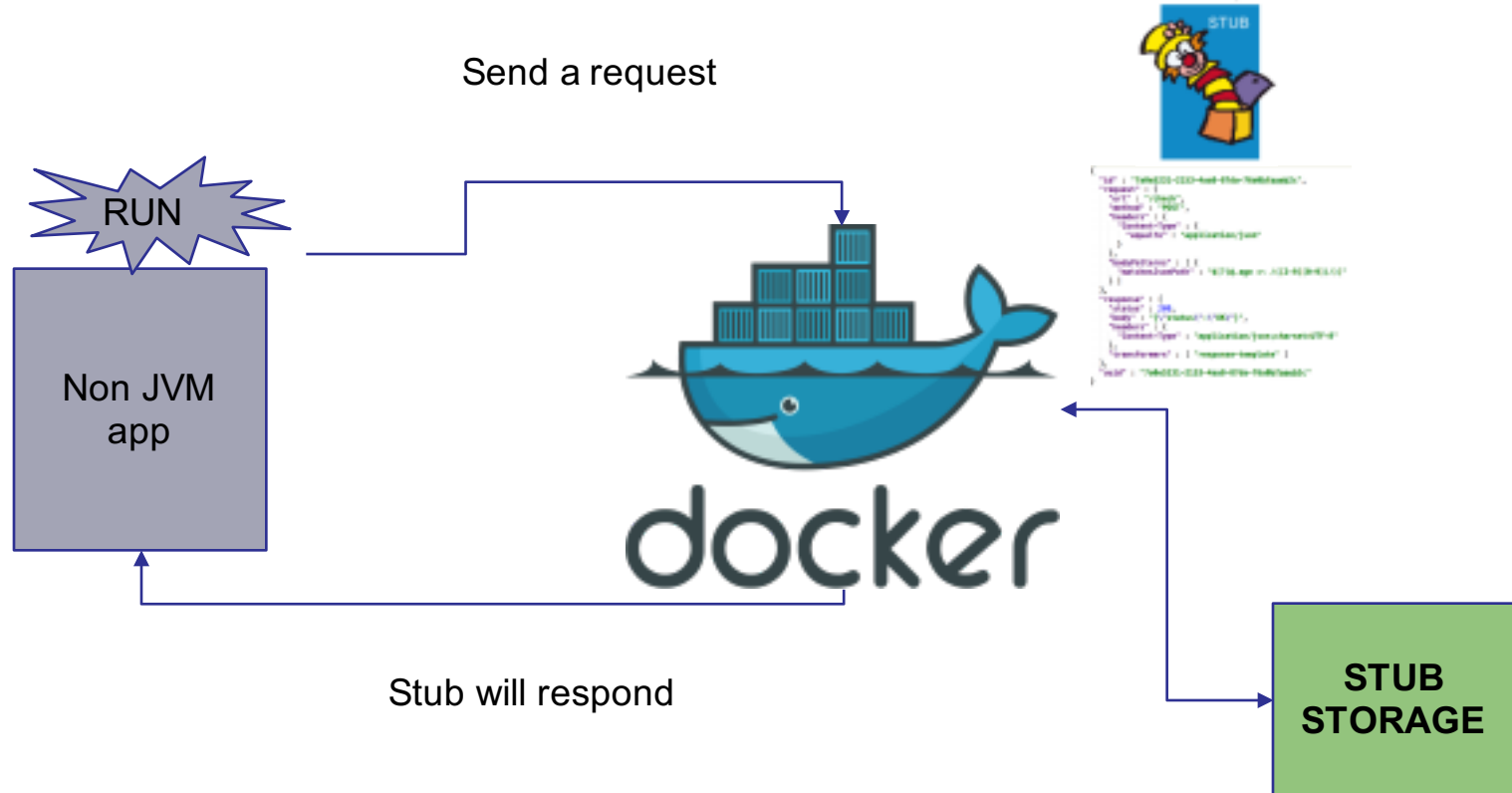
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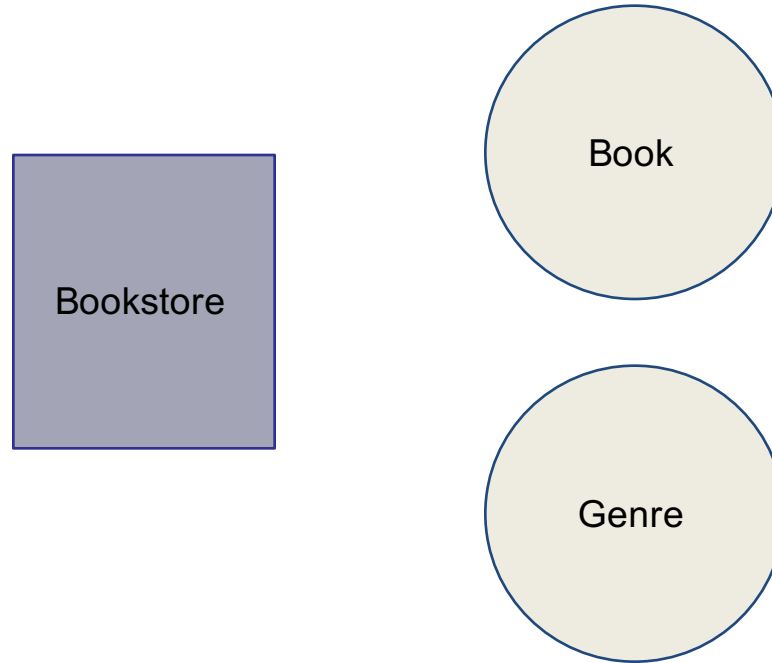
# Poll

Which option do you prefer?

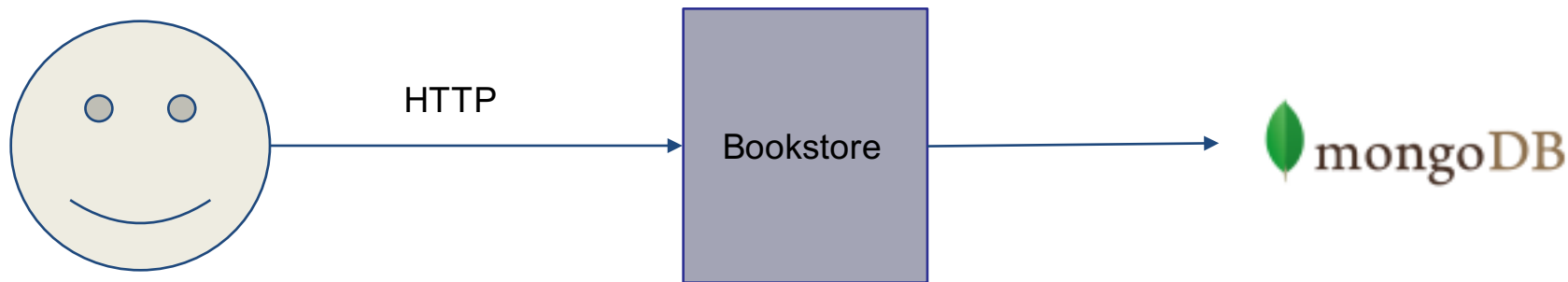
- Spring Cloud CLI
- Running `java -jar`
- Docker image

## Generating tests for polyglot applications

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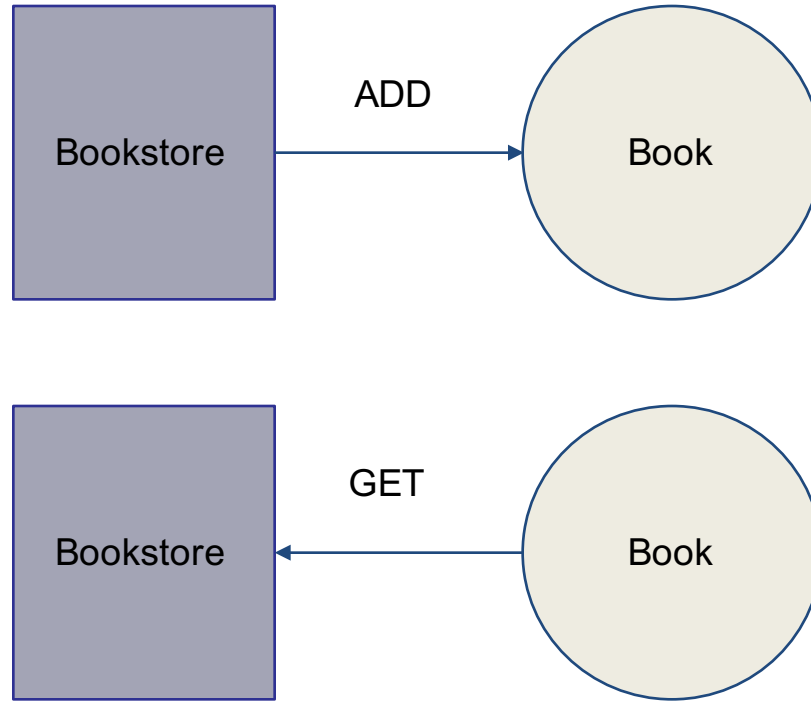


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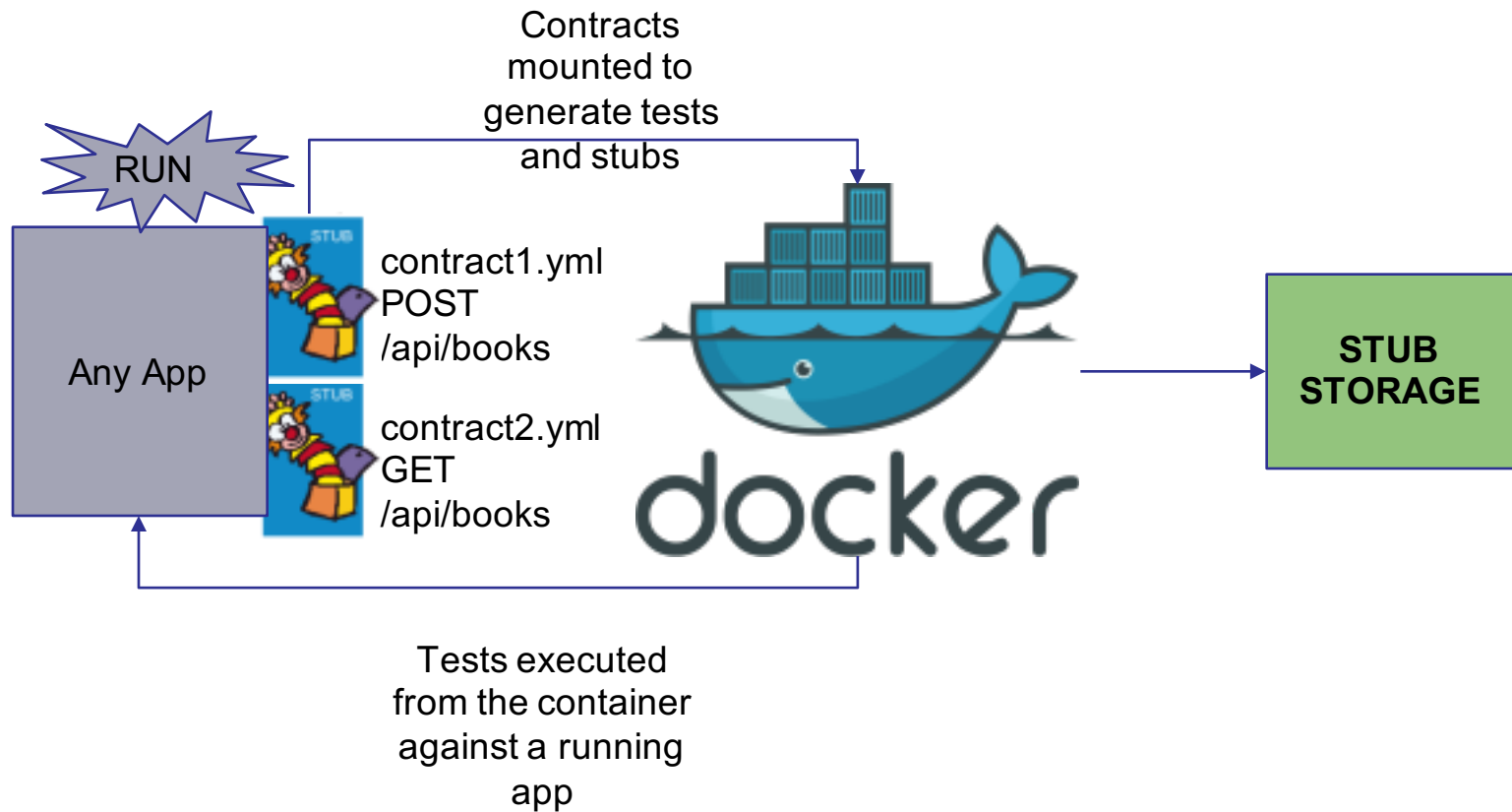


# Generating tests for polyglot application



# Spring Cloud Contract Docker

# Generating tests for polyglot application



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QUESTIONS ?