

Who likes unit testing?

**You code, let GenAI DevTools worry
about the Test.**

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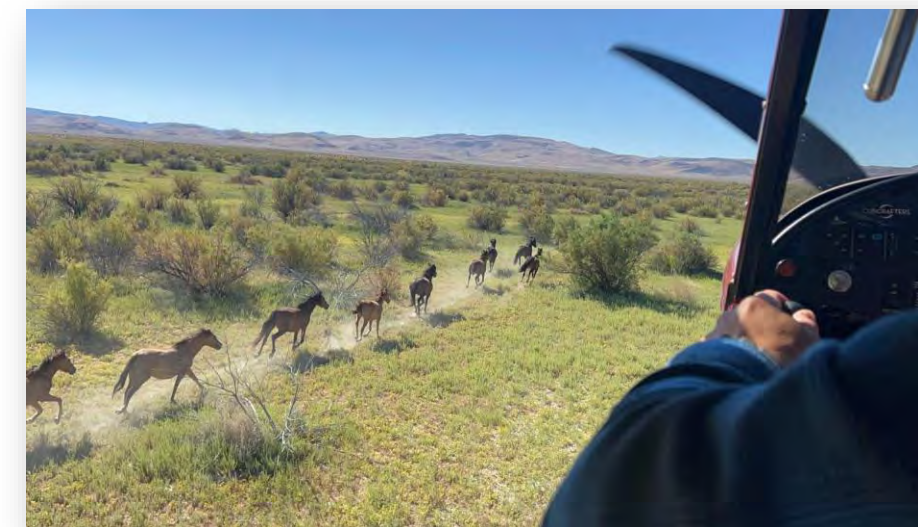
About myself

- Lived 17 years in the Bay area, worked at Yahoo, Couchbase, Bina (life science acquired by Roche)



- Former developer
- Founder of Early
 - We generate high quality, working unit tests for your PRs & at scale
 - Chief Test Code Generator - Generated over 500K LoC in year 1

Love traveling and outdoor sports with family and friends



Bush plane in Nevada



Trail Mont Blanc

Tiny Bugs Lead to MASSIVE CRISES

CrowdStrike Outage

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Null Pointer Exception



BSOD



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Delta CEO says CrowdStrike-Microsoft outage cost the airline \$500 million

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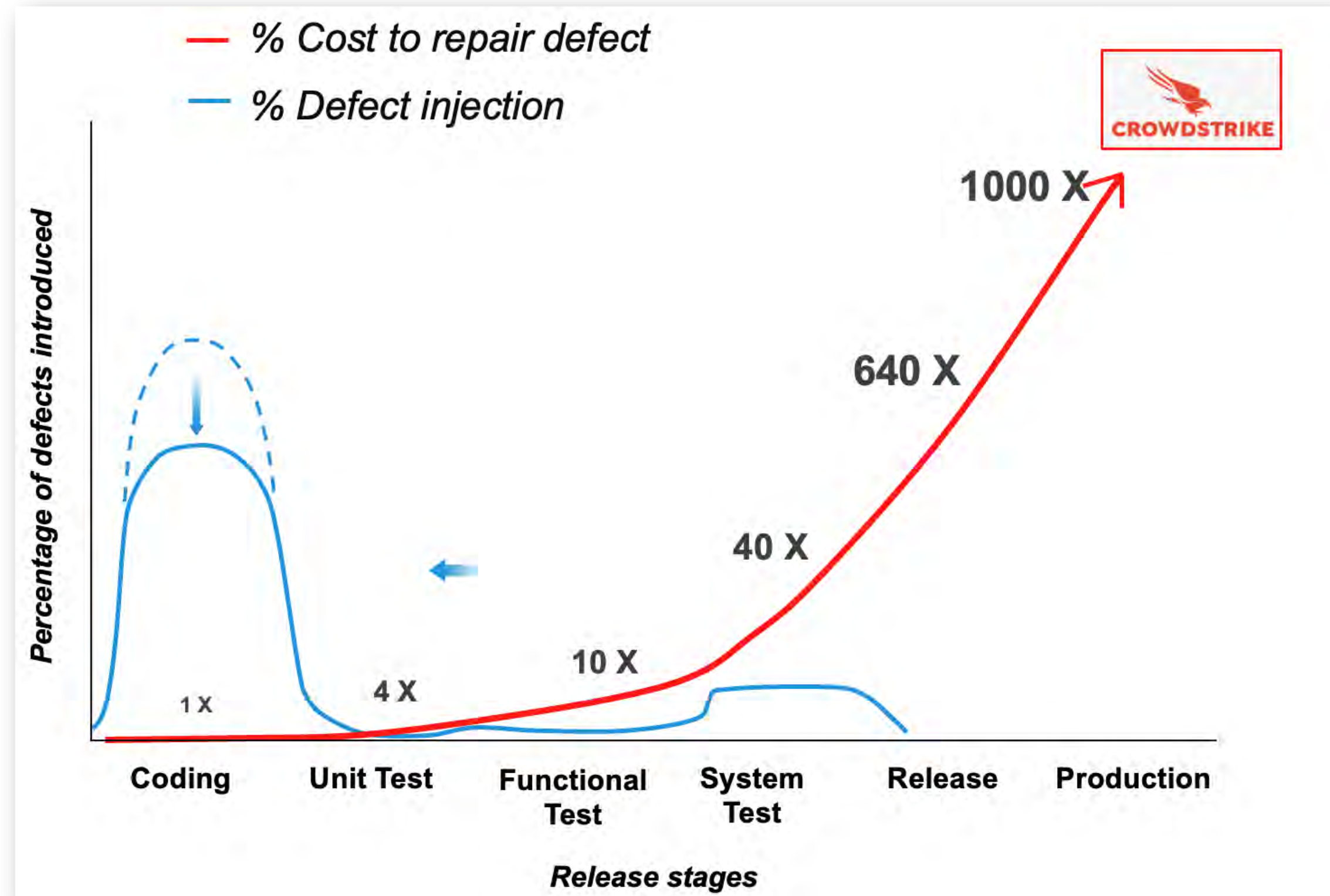
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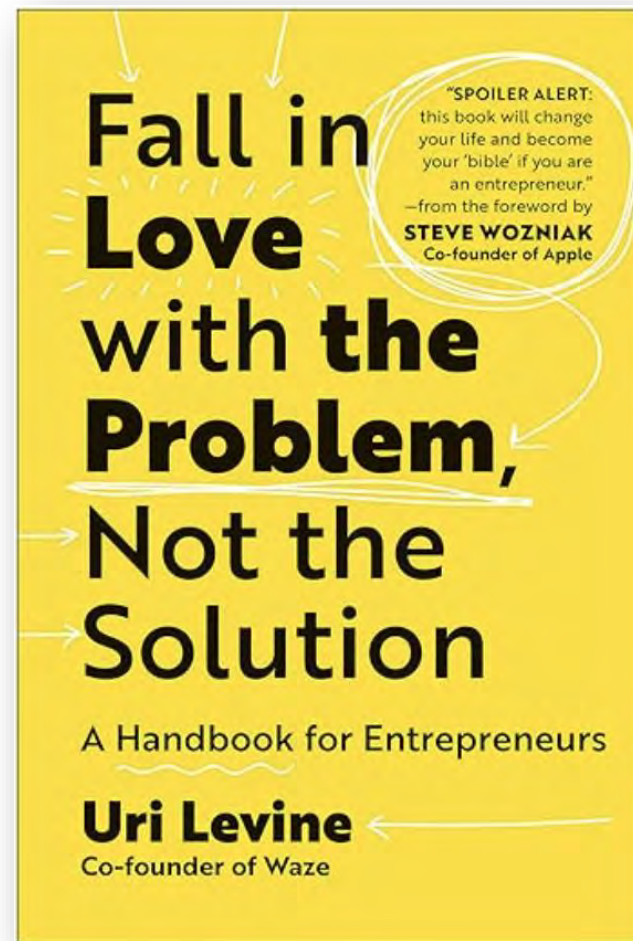
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*“If I had asked people what they wanted,
they would have said faster horses.”*

Henry Ford

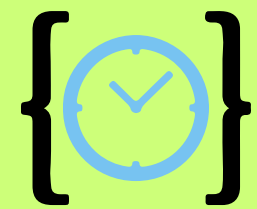
Fall in love with the problem



Bugs are introduced whenever new code is developed

- What can we do with new DevTools to solve code quality problem?
- Transforming
 - from: “horses” - develop test code manually
 - to: “cars” - generate test code automatically

How developers spend their time

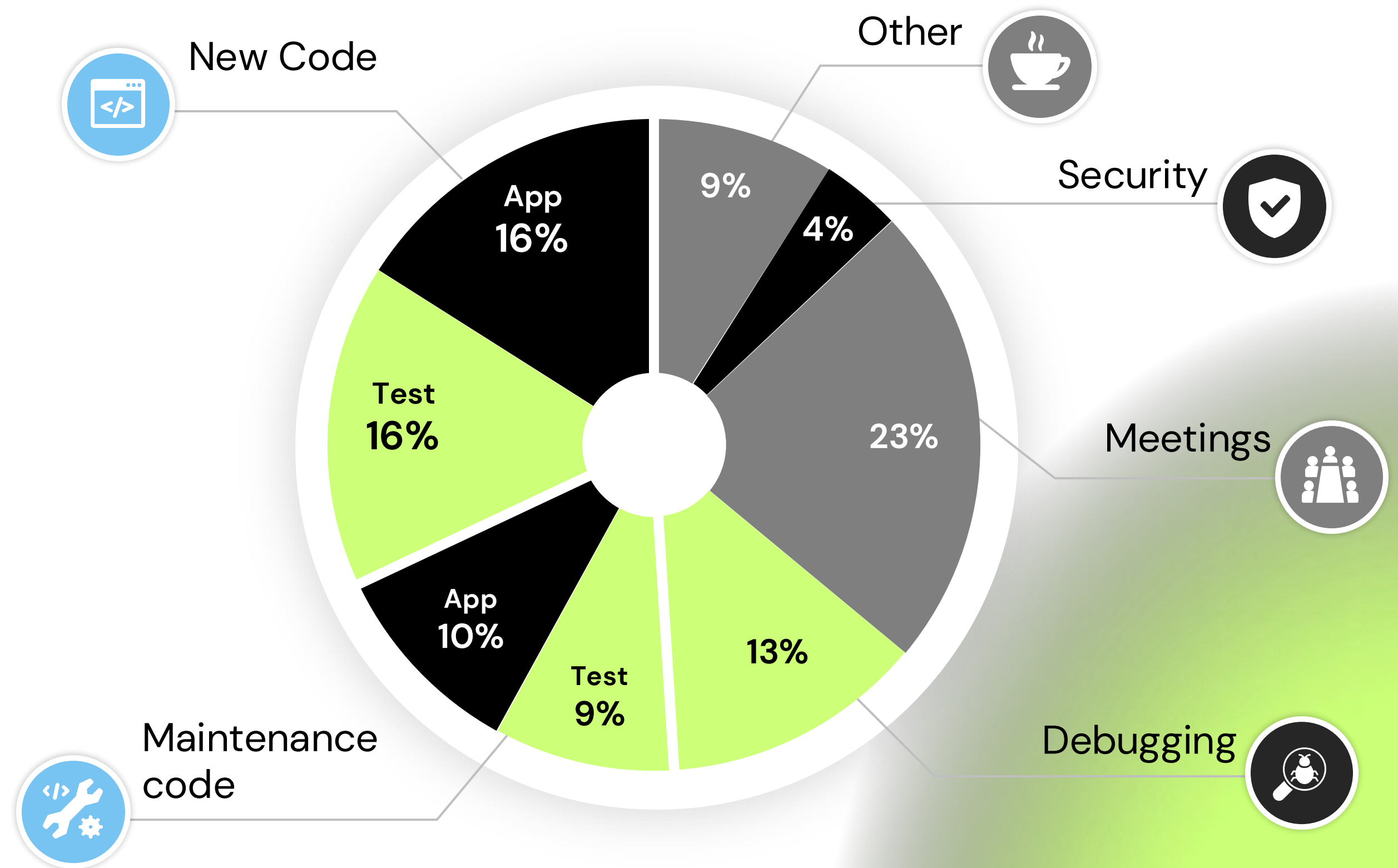


Time spent on application code

26%

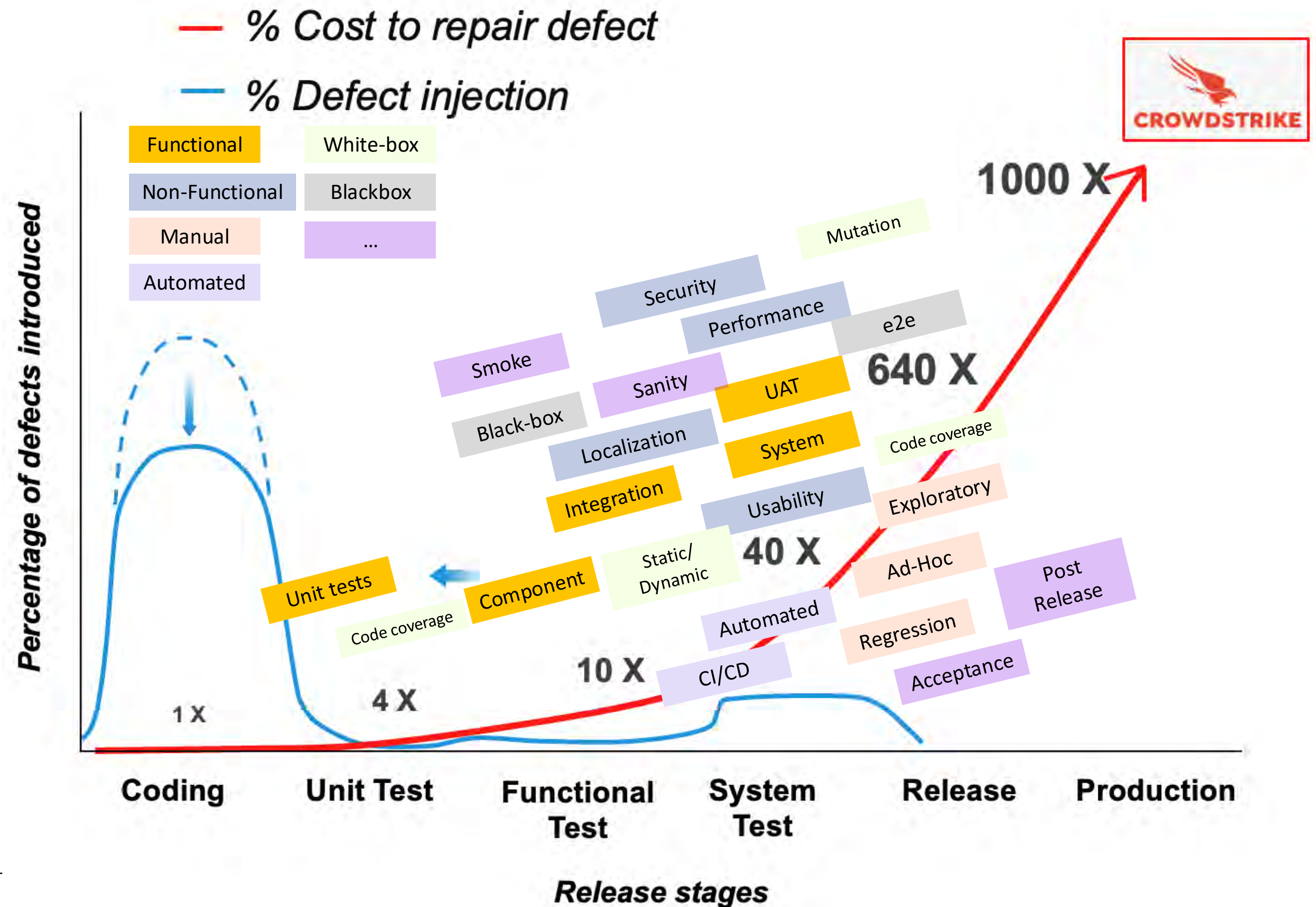
Time spent on test code and testing

38%



Where should I spend my time developing tests?

- ROI on each type of test
- ROI changed as AI tools arise
- What if we could catch most bugs during coding?

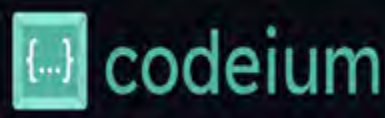
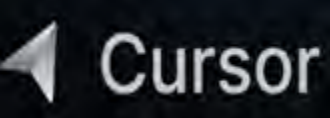


AI tools for unit test code generation

Value of Unit tests Generation

- Catch bugs at their lowest cost
- Free up developers' time
- Speed up release cycles
- Can be used in multiple use cases during development

Assistant DevTools for test code generation



Test Code AI Agent:

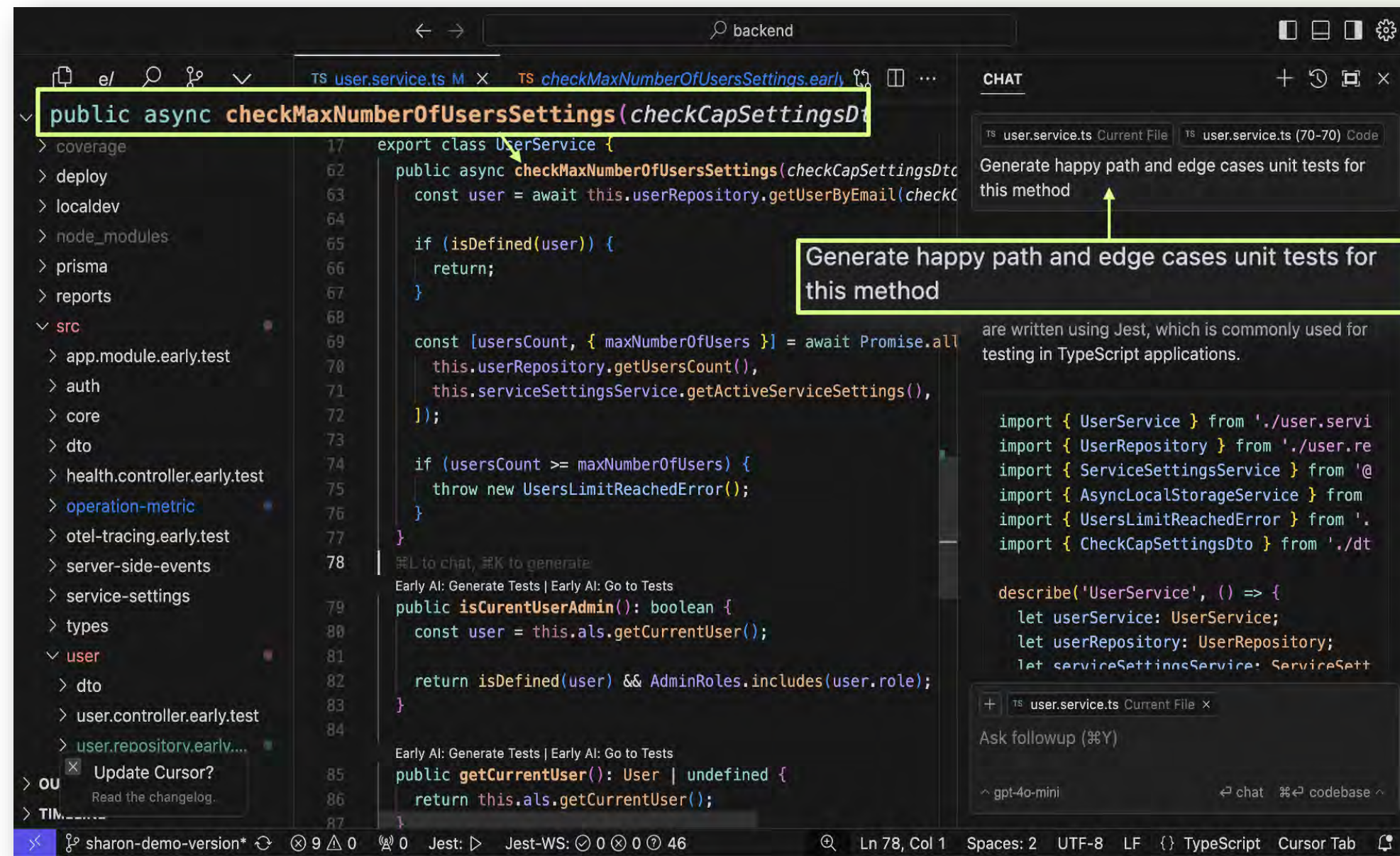


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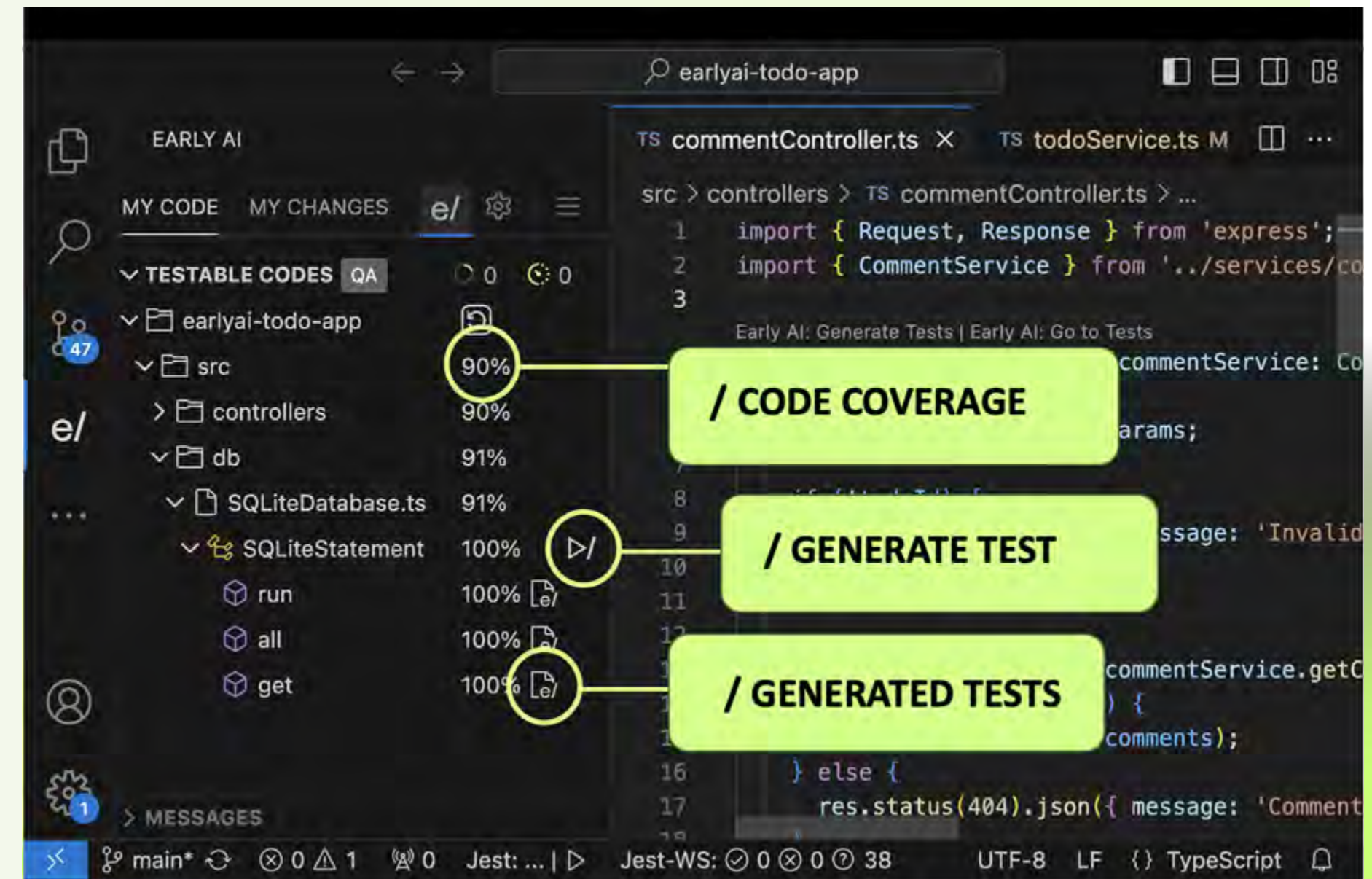


Let's generate some unit tests

Cursor – AI assistant



Early – AI Agent



Solutions we'll explore for test code generation

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```
public async checkMaxNumberOfUsersSettings(checkCapSettingsDto: CheckCapSettingsDto) {
  const user = await this.userRepository.getUserByEmail(checkCapSettingsDto.email);

  if (isDefined(user)) {
    return;
  }

  const [usersCount, { maxNumberOfUsers }] = await Promise.all([
    this.userRepository.getUsersCount(),
    this.serviceSettingsService.getActiveServiceSettings(),
  ]);

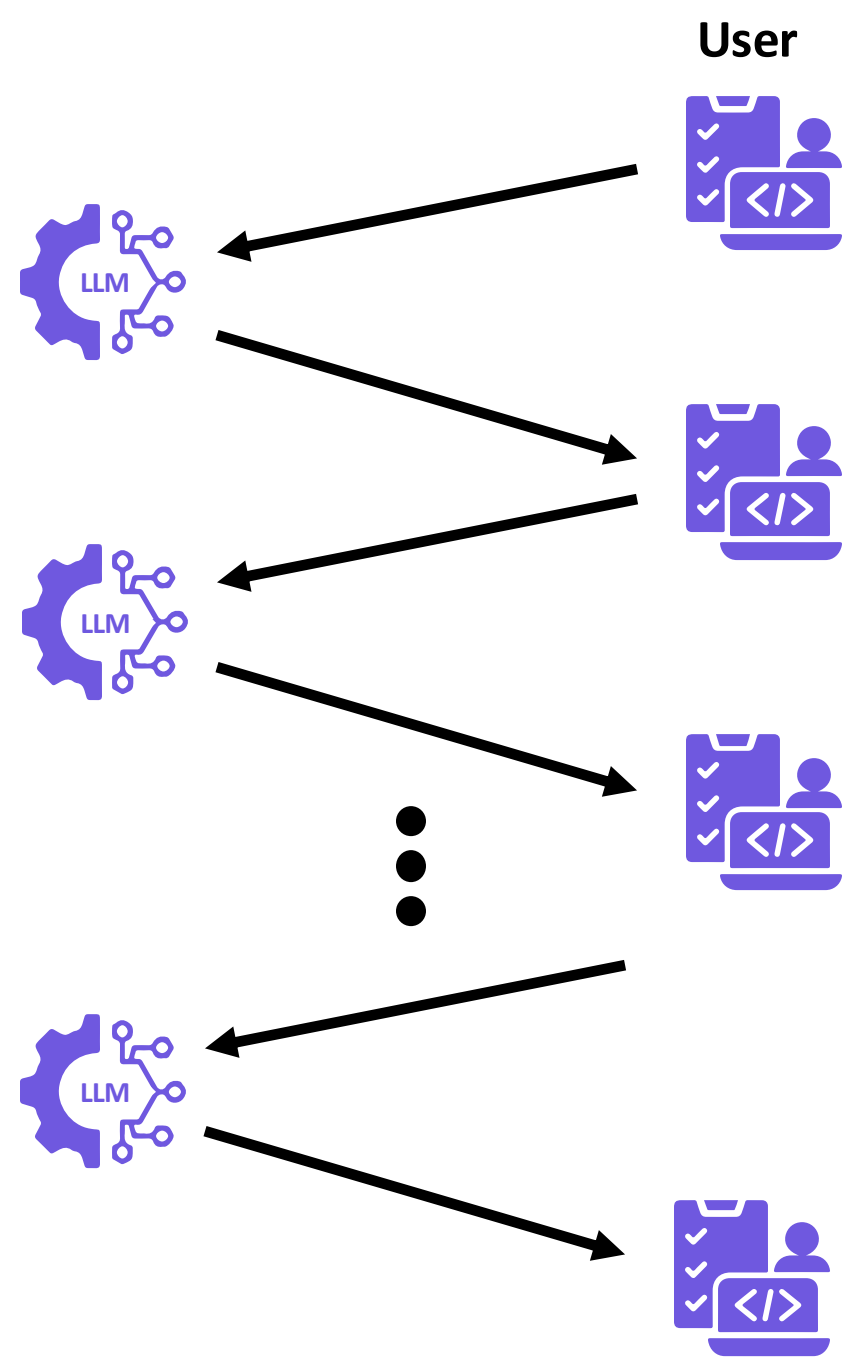
  if (usersCount >= maxNumberOfUsers) {
    throw new UsersLimitReachedError();
  }
}
```

From AI assistant to AI agents

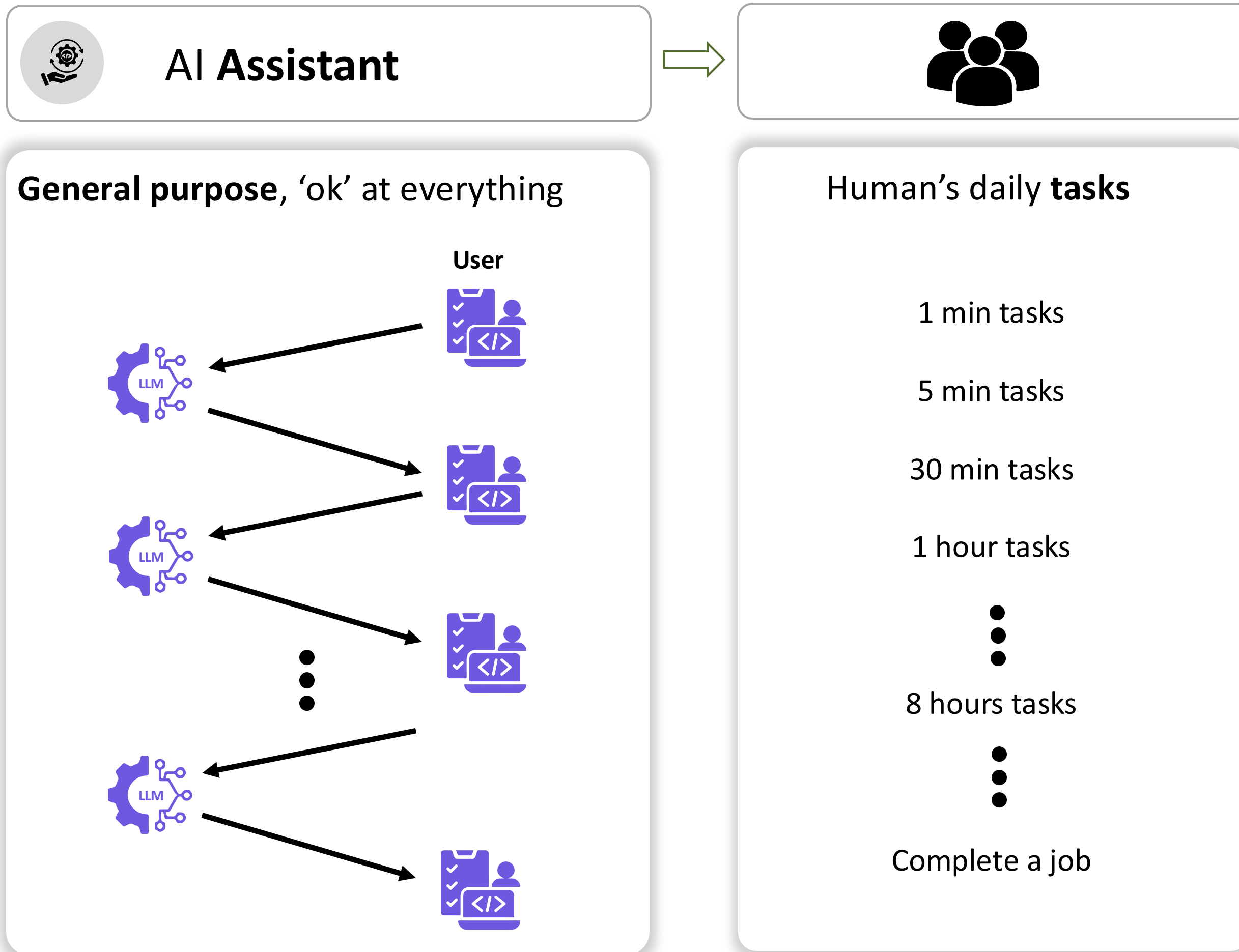


AI Assistant

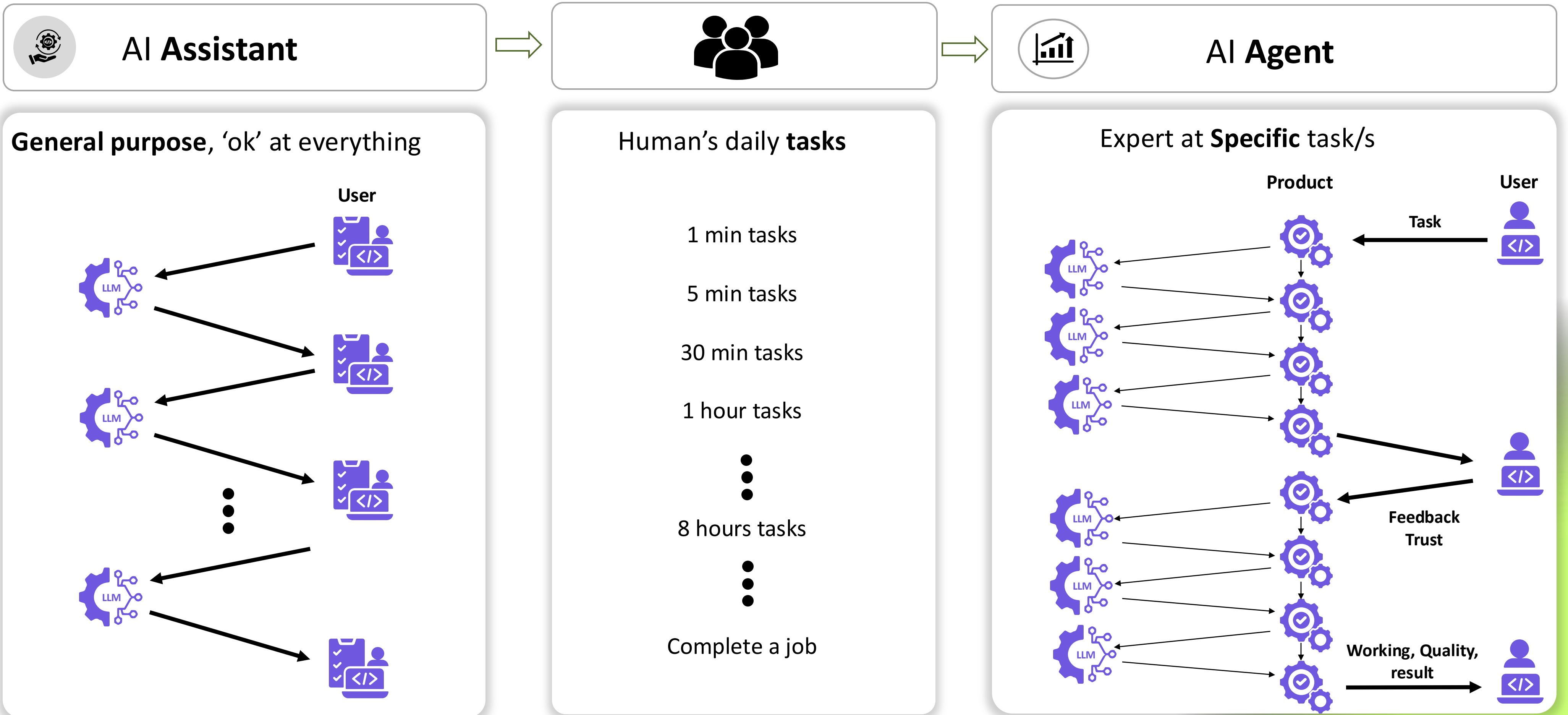
General purpose, 'ok' at everything





From AI assistant to AI agents



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From test code assistant to test code agent

Area	 AI test code Assistant	 AI test code Agent
Output	Code suggestion	Working code
Quality	Low to medium	High quality, comprehensive tests (happy path, edge cases, mocks)
Developers' effort	Consumes time	Saves time
Impact	Productivity 1 test suggestion at a time	Transformational Dozens of quality working unit tests Under a minutes

Use cases for unit test generation

Use Cases for using new DevTools:

1. Continuous testing during development – Test Early and often
2. Test your PR thoroughly at high converge before submitting
3. Testing private methods – Maintain encapsulation while finding hidden bugs
4. TDD done differently – Simplified and enhanced



Mutation testing:

- Measuring the tests quality themselves
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Use Case 3: TDD made easy

Method signature

Step 1: Simple method description

```
// This function updates an existing project with the provided fields.  
// This is a signature implementation for TDD.
```

Early AI: Generate Tests | Early AI: Go to Tests

```
export const updateProject_step1_simple_doc = (projectService: ProjectService) => {  
  // Function implementation will go here  
}
```

- ✖ projectController.step2_better_doc.early.test
- ✖ updateProject_step2_better_doc.early.test.ts
- ✖ updateProject_step2_better_doc() updateProject_step2_better_doc()
- ✖ Happy Path
 - ✖ should update the project successfully
- ✖ Edge Cases
 - ✖ should handle project not found
 - ✖ should handle update failure

Step 1: Basic **Red** unit tests

Method signature

Step 2: Elaborated documentation

```
/**  
 * Handles incoming requests for project-related operations.  
 * @param projectService - An instance of ProjectService to manage project operations.  
 * @param req - The incoming request object.  
 * @param res - The response object to send data back to the client.  
 * @returns A promise that resolves to void.  
 * @throws Throws an error if the project operation fails.  
 */
```

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```
export const updateProject_step2_better_doc = (projectService: ProjectService) => {  
  // Function implementation will go here  
}
```

- ✖ updateProject_step2_better_doc.early.test.ts
- ✖ updateProject_step2_better_doc() updateProject_step2_better_doc()
- ✖ Happy Path
 - ✖ should update the project successfully
- ✖ Edge Cases
 - ✖ should return 404 if the project is not found
 - ✖ should return 400 if the input data is invalid
 - ✖ should return 500 if there is an internal server error

Step 2: Specific **Red** unit tests

Use Case 3: TDD made easy

Implementation

Step 3: Happy path

Step 4: Edge cases

```
export const updateProject_step4_edge_cases = (projectService: ProjectService)
  try {
    const { id } = req.params;
    const { name, description, dueDate } = req.body;

    if (!name) {
      res.status(400).json({ error: 'Invalid project data' });
      return;
    }

    const project = await projectService.getProjectById(id);
    if (!project) {
      res.status(404).json({ error: 'Project not found' });
      return;
    }

    const updatedProject = await projectService.updateProject(id, { name,
      res.status(200).json(updatedProject);
    } catch (error) {
      res.status(500).json({ error: 'Internal server error' });
    }
  };
```

Code quality outcome

Step 4: full coverage

```
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    ✓ should return 500 if there is an internal server error
```

Green unit tests

✓ TDD_Example	100%
✓ projectController.tdd_example.ts	100%
✓ updateProject_step1_simple_doc	100%
✓ updateProject_step2_better_doc	100%
✓ updateProject_step3_happy_path	100%
✓ updateProject_step4_edge_cases	100%

100% code coverage

Who tests the tests – Mutation testing

High coverage != High Quality

- Mutation testing introduces changes to your code
- Then runs your unit tests against the changed code
- It is expected that your unit tests will now fail
- If they don't fail, it might indicate your tests do not sufficiently cover the code

$$\text{Mutation score} = \frac{\text{Killed mutants} + \text{Timed-out mutants}}{\text{All mutants} - \text{Error mutants}} \times 100$$

File	% Mutation score total	covered	# killed	# timeout	# survived	# no cov	# errors
All files	96.55	96.55	28	0	1	0	5
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Ran 2.00 tests per mutant on average.

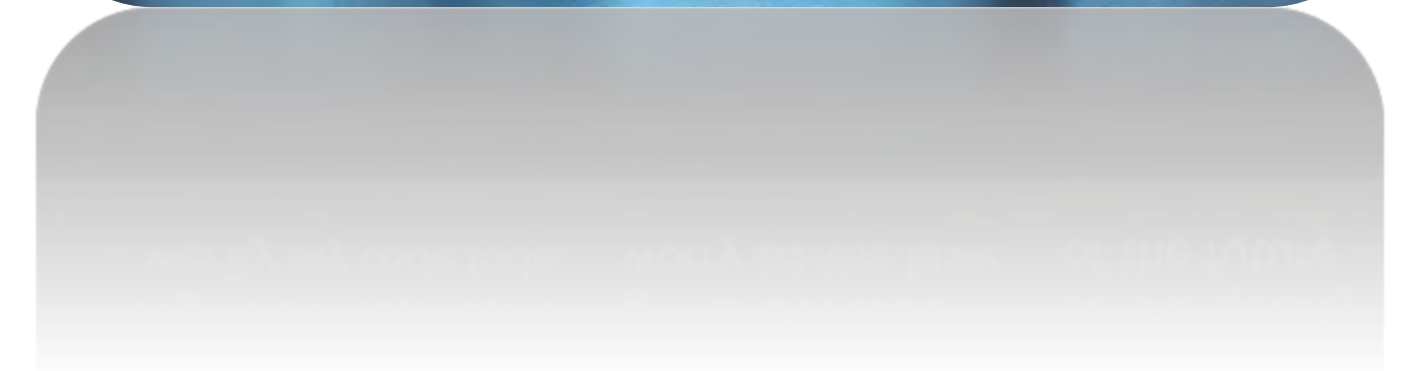
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 Coverage 100%, Mutation Score **96.55%**

 Coverage 84%, Mutation Score **51.72%**

Summary

- **Testing has never been so Easy**
- **Use AI DevTools to generate test code for you**
- **Learn how to embed these tools in your development flow**
- **Deliver high quality code faster**
- **Become the 100x engineer of the future**



Thank You

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