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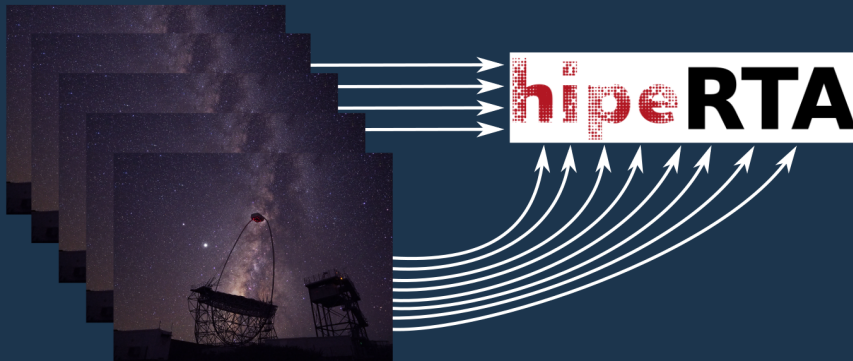
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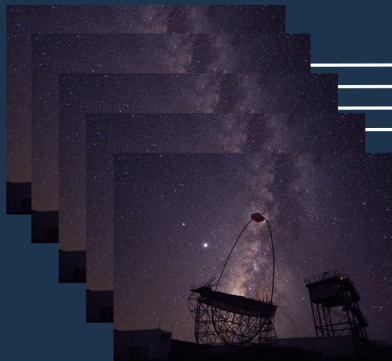


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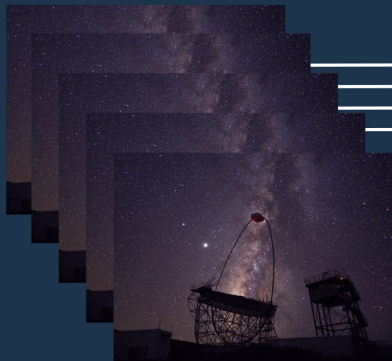
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How To **Unit Test** It ?

- On our **laptops**
- On **Gitlab CI**

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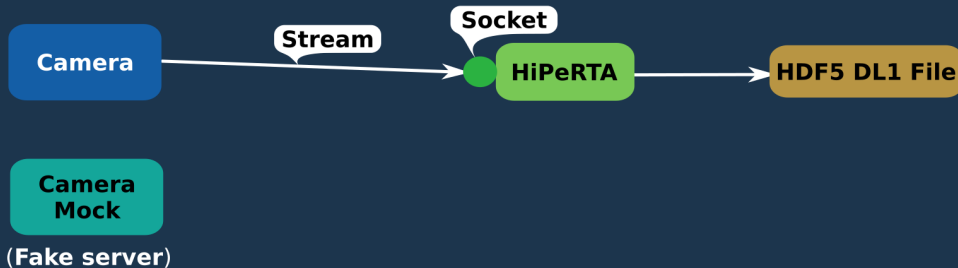
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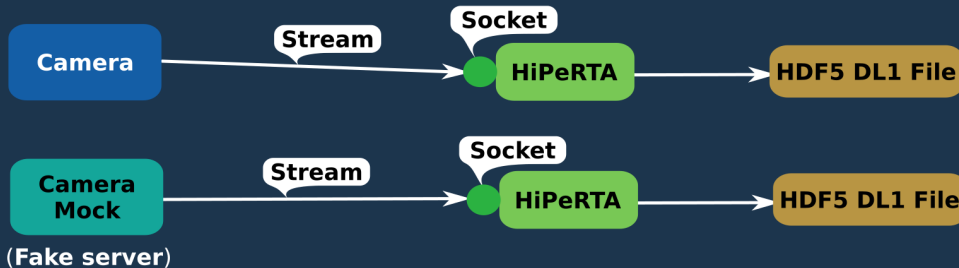
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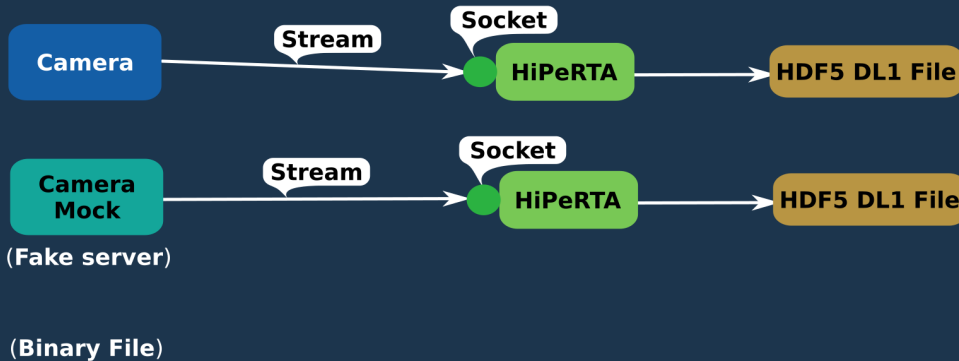
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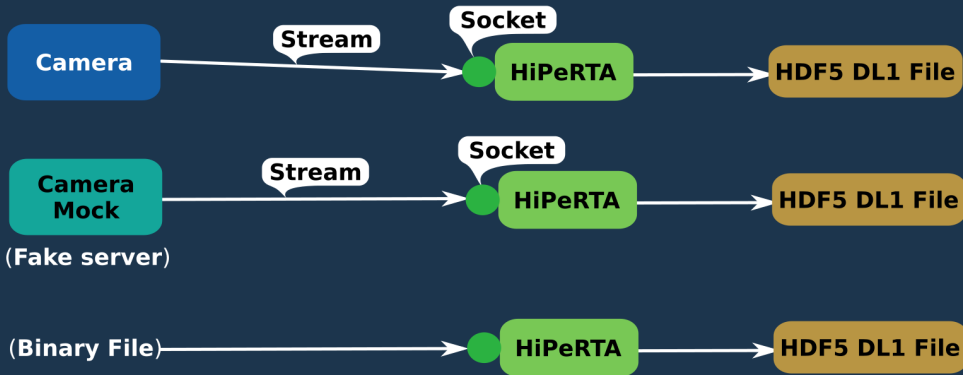
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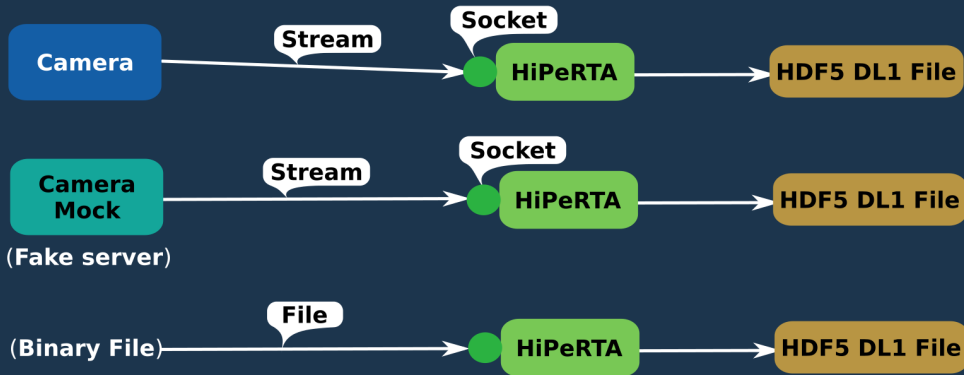
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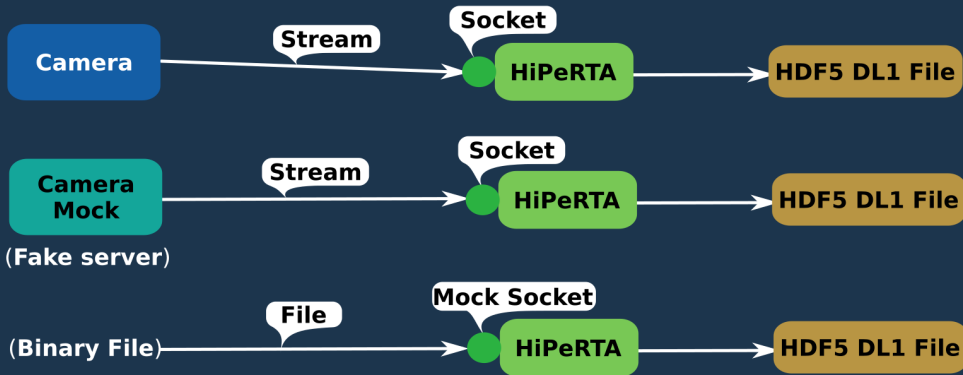
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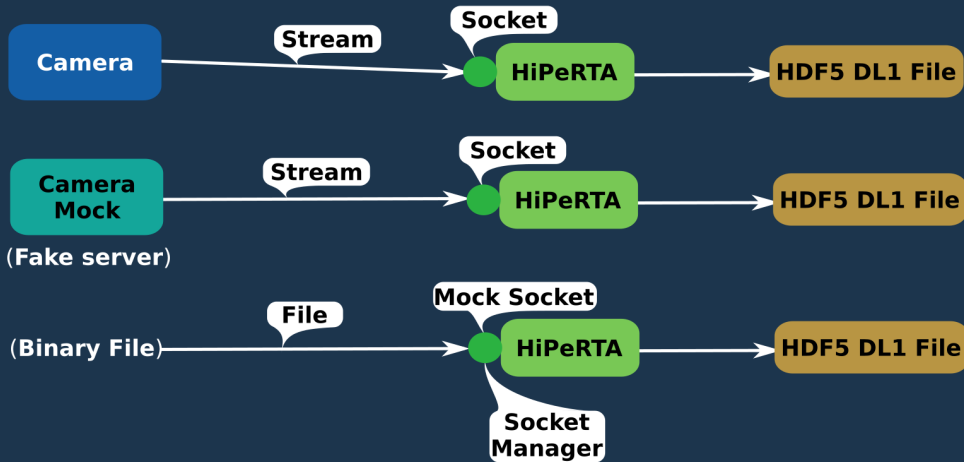
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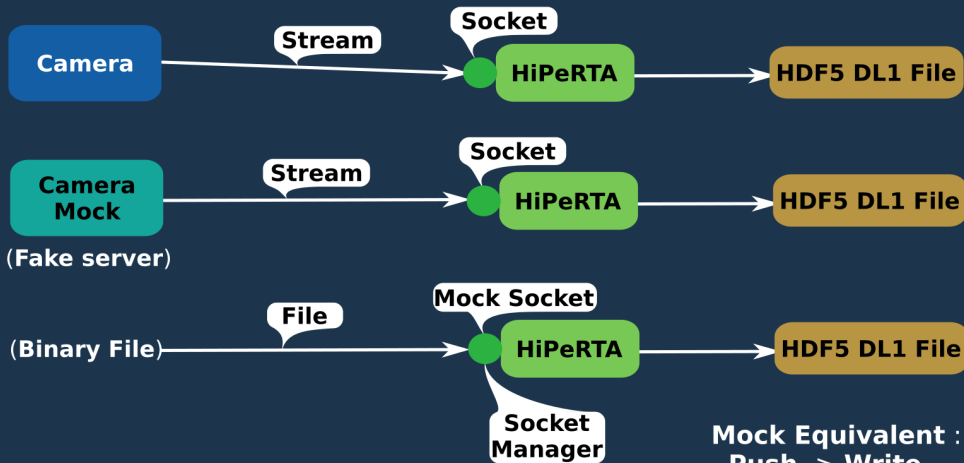
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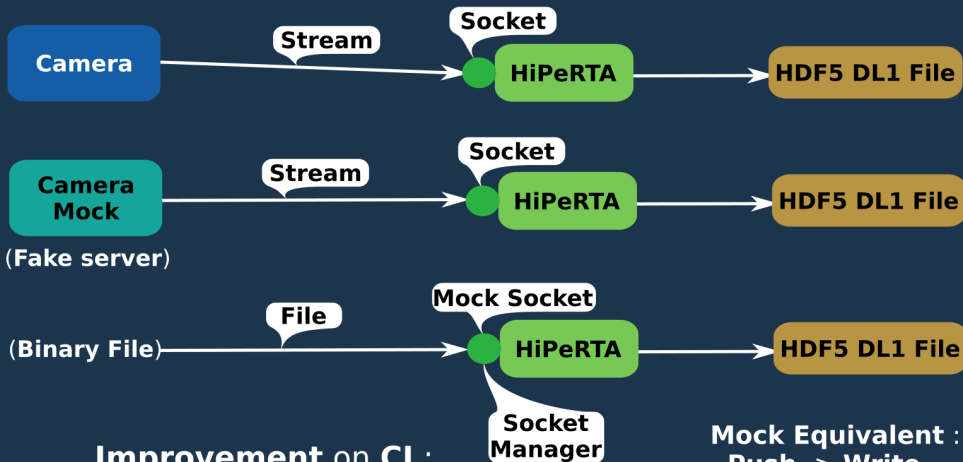


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Improvement on CI :

- Unit tests use to take **40s**
- Now only **5s**

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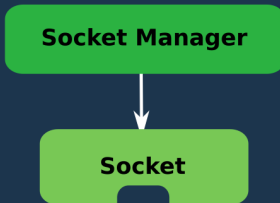
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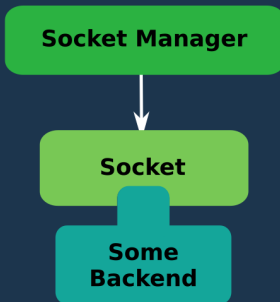
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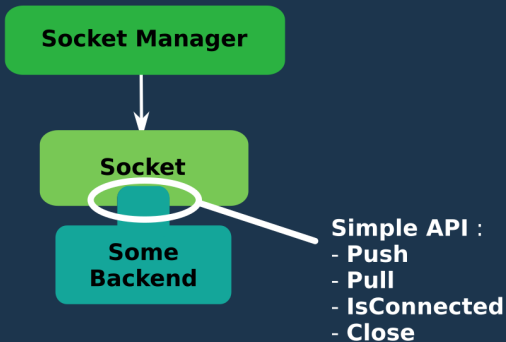
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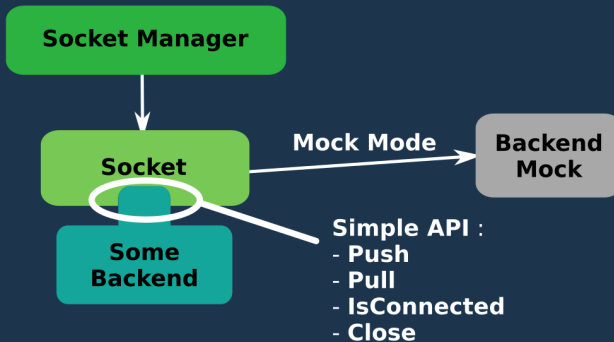
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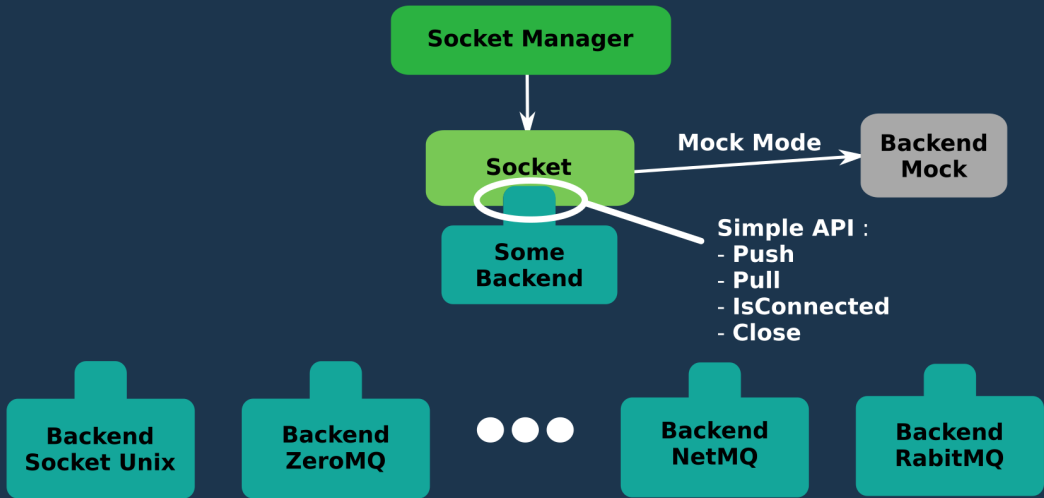
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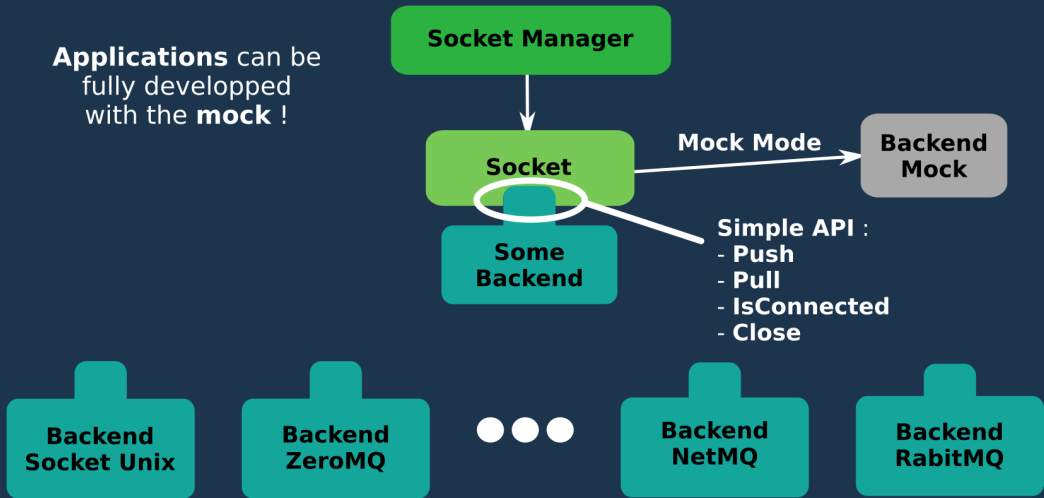


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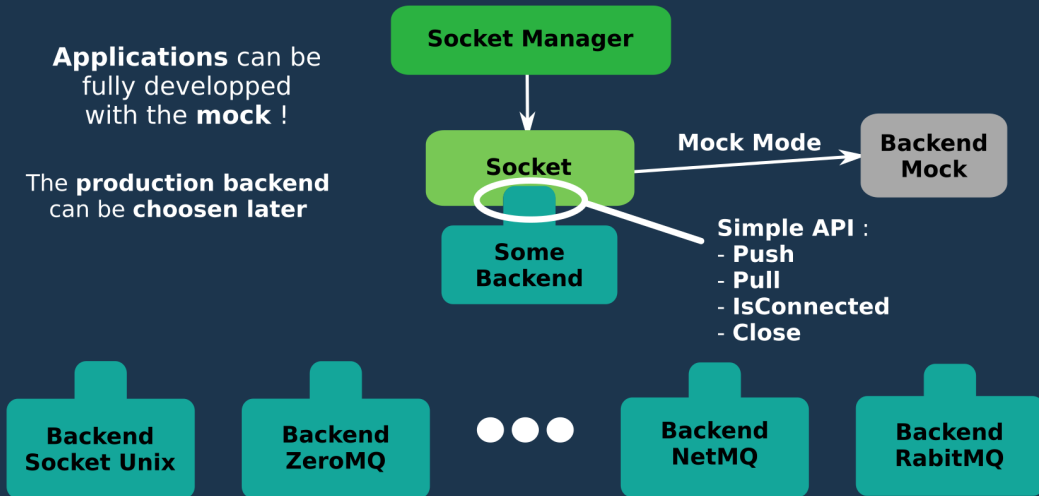
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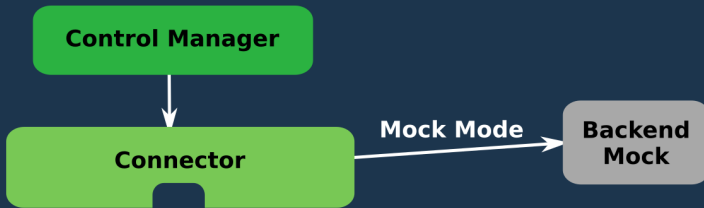
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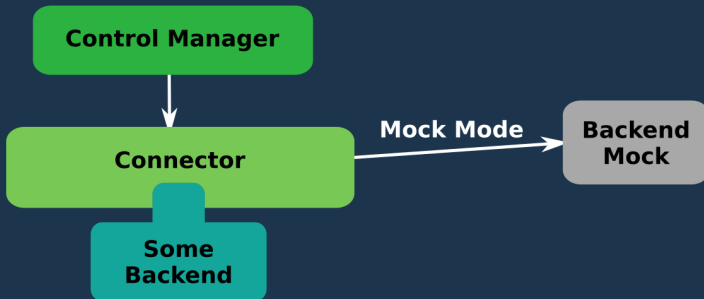
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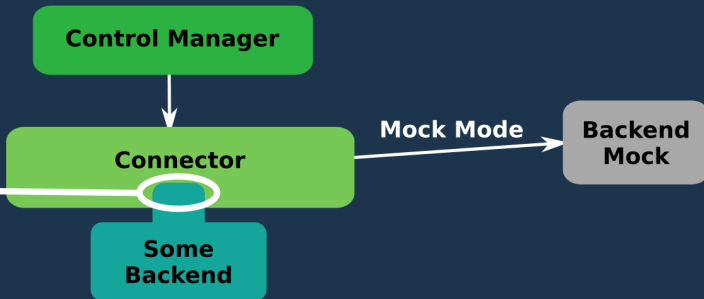


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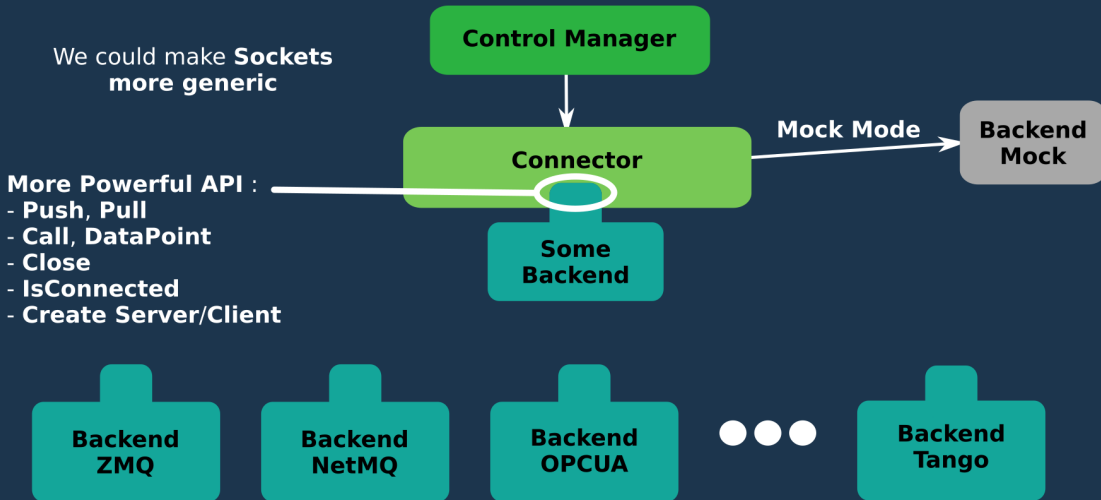
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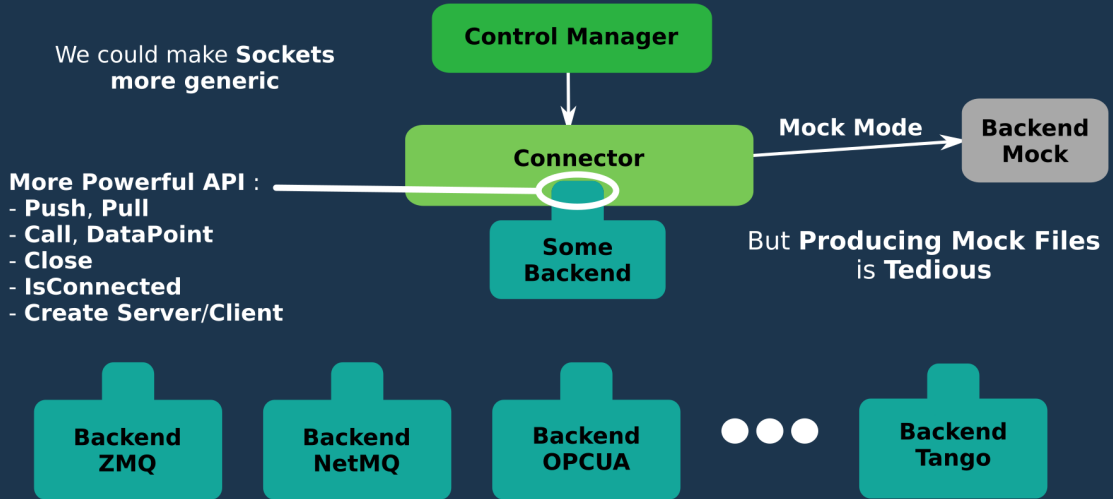
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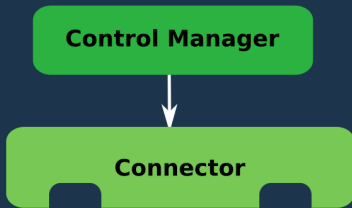
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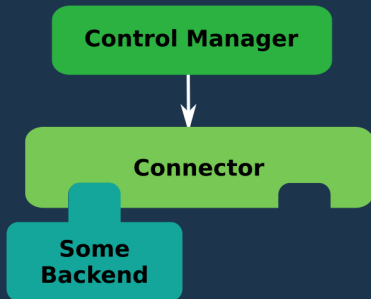
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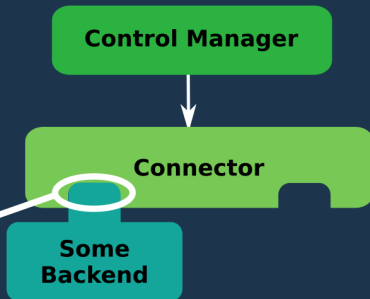
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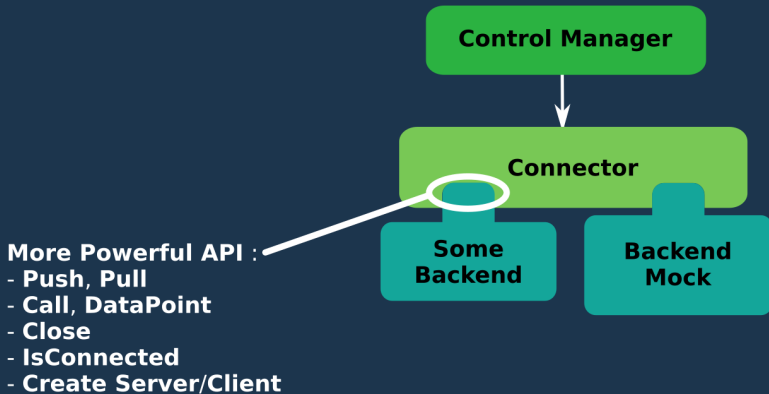
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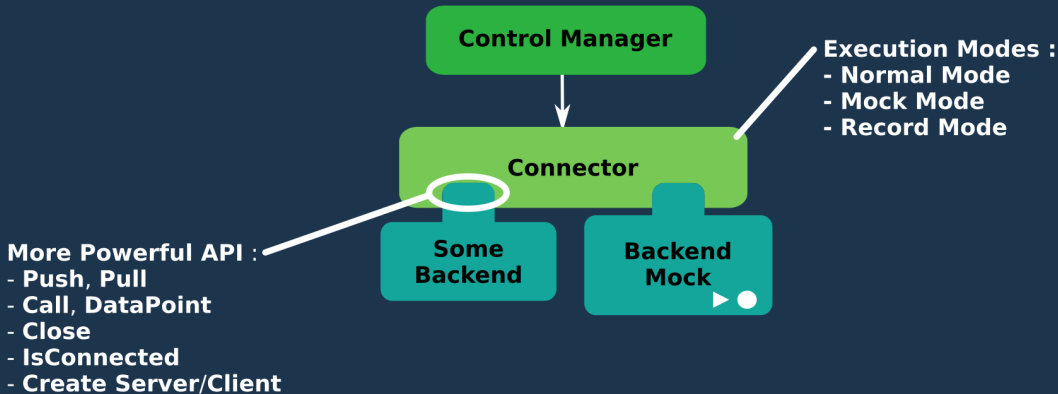
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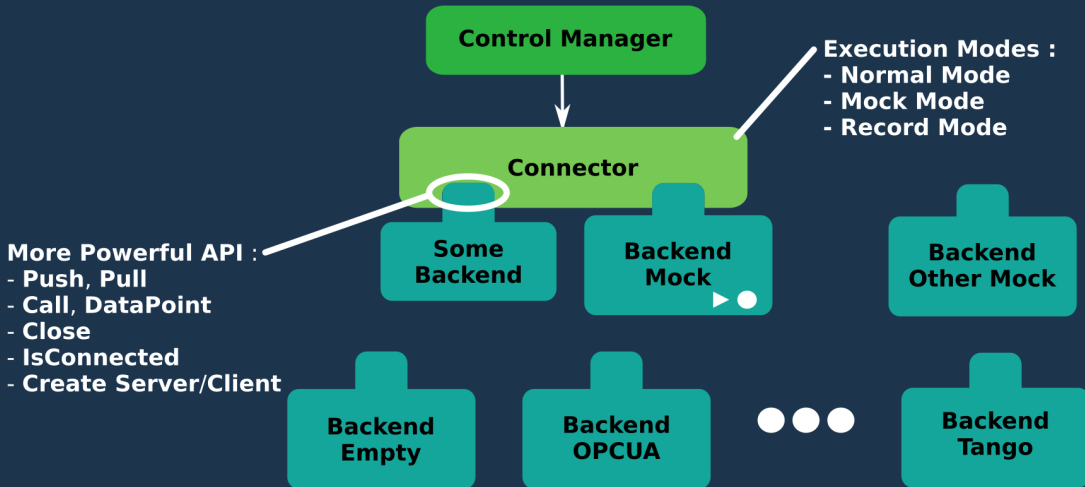
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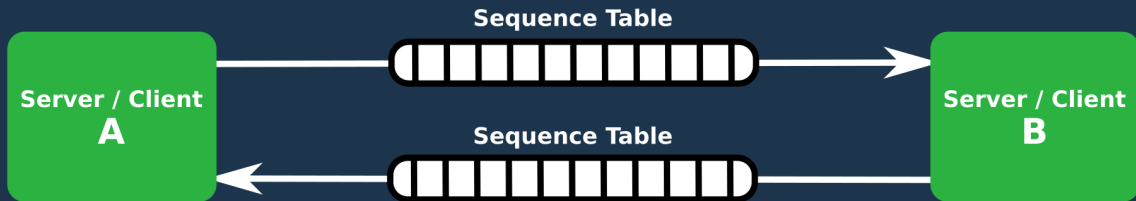
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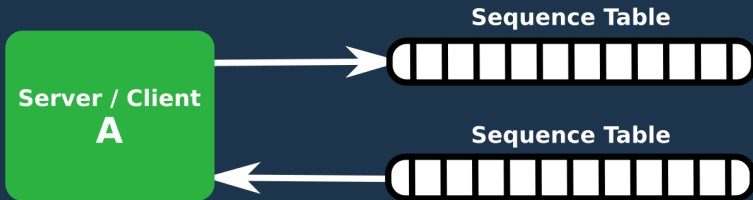
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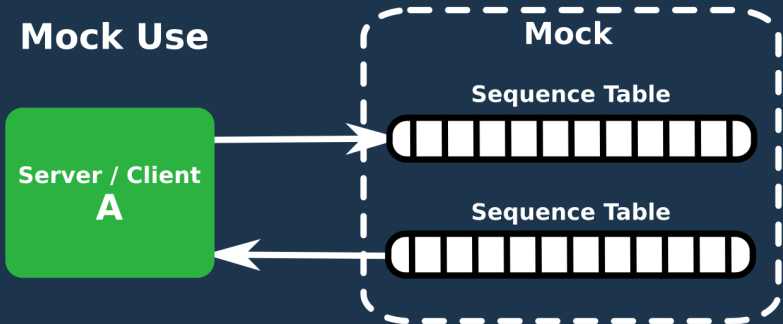


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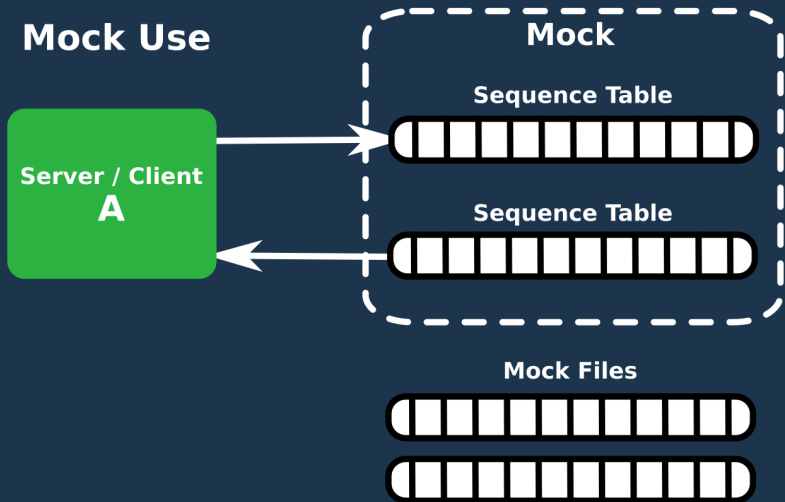


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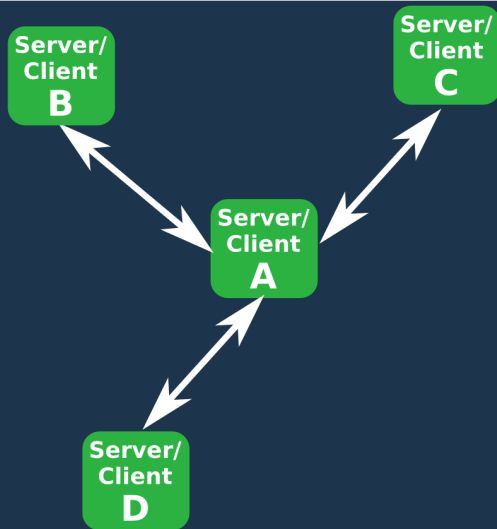


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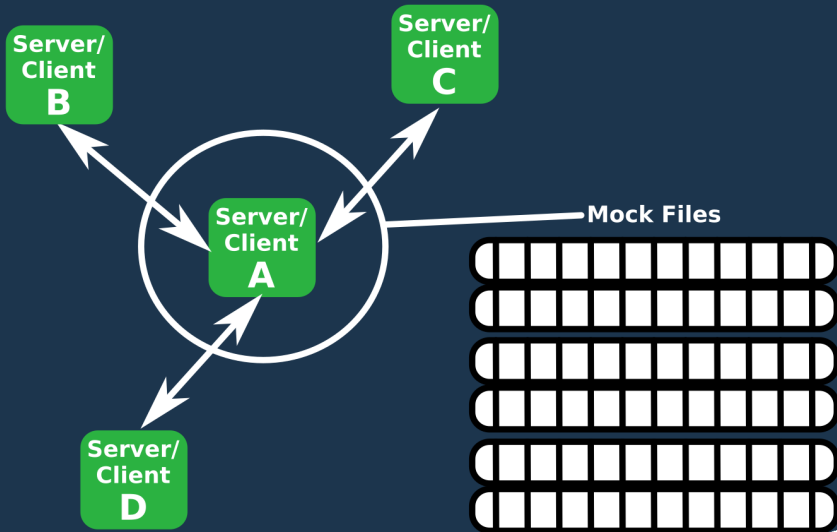
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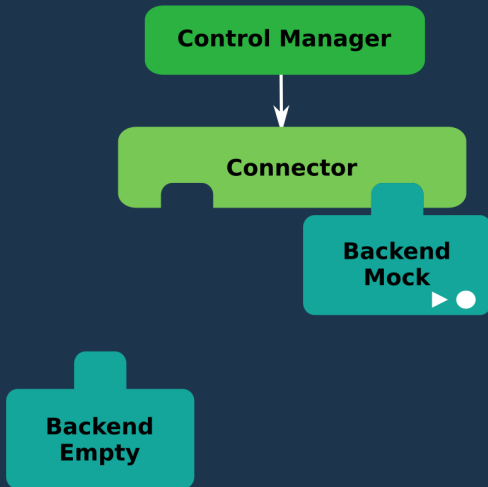
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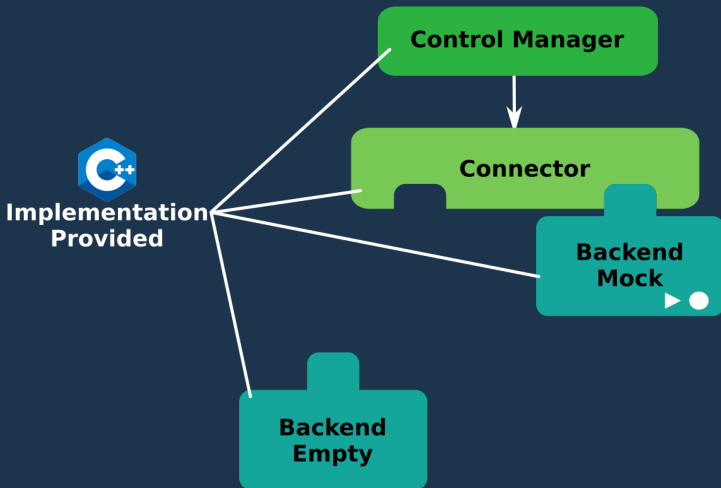
Sequence Table of A

Event Id and/or Time	State of A	Client/Sever : B			Client/Sever : C	
		Data Point B1	Calls From B of A1(X) Params	Expected Result	Calls From C of A2(X) Params	Expected Result
0	Waiting	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	B1 value	-	-	-	-
2	-	-	42	21	-	-
3	Ready	-	-	-	[63, 7]	[48, 12, 4]
28	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	Stop	-	-	-	-	-

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Connector

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8 #include "phoenix_control.h"
9
10 typedef PAbstractControlManager<std::string, PMockControlBackend, PMockControlBackend> ConnectorManager;
11
12 ///Basic example using PAbstractConnectorManager
13 void exampleClient(){
14     ConnectorManager manager;
15     manager.addClientConnector("Alice", "localhost", phoenix_mockControlParam(false, "mock_push", PLog::DEBUG));
16
17     manager.registerVar("Alice", phoenix_getComposeVar<size_t>("shadok"));
18
19     for(size_t i(0lu); i < 10lu; ++i){           //Let's push 10 values
20         manager.pushData("Alice", "shadok", i);
21     }
22 }
    
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What is **available now** :

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- ▶ C++ Project : https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/CTA-LAPP/PHOENIX_LIBS2/PhoenixClock/