

Detecting and Predicting Clusters of Evolving Binary Stars

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Team Introduction

- **Team Roles**

○ **Becker Mathie** - Chief Engineer

Joel Holm - Facilitator

Ethan Vander Wiel - Test Engineer

Philip Payne - Quality Assurance

Willis Knox - Scribe

Adam Corpstein - Report Manager



Project Vision

- Problem Statement

Problem

- Organize binary-stars into groups (clusters)
- Predict future states of data

Challenges

- Multiple clustering algorithms
- No-other-way but simulation
- Big datasets

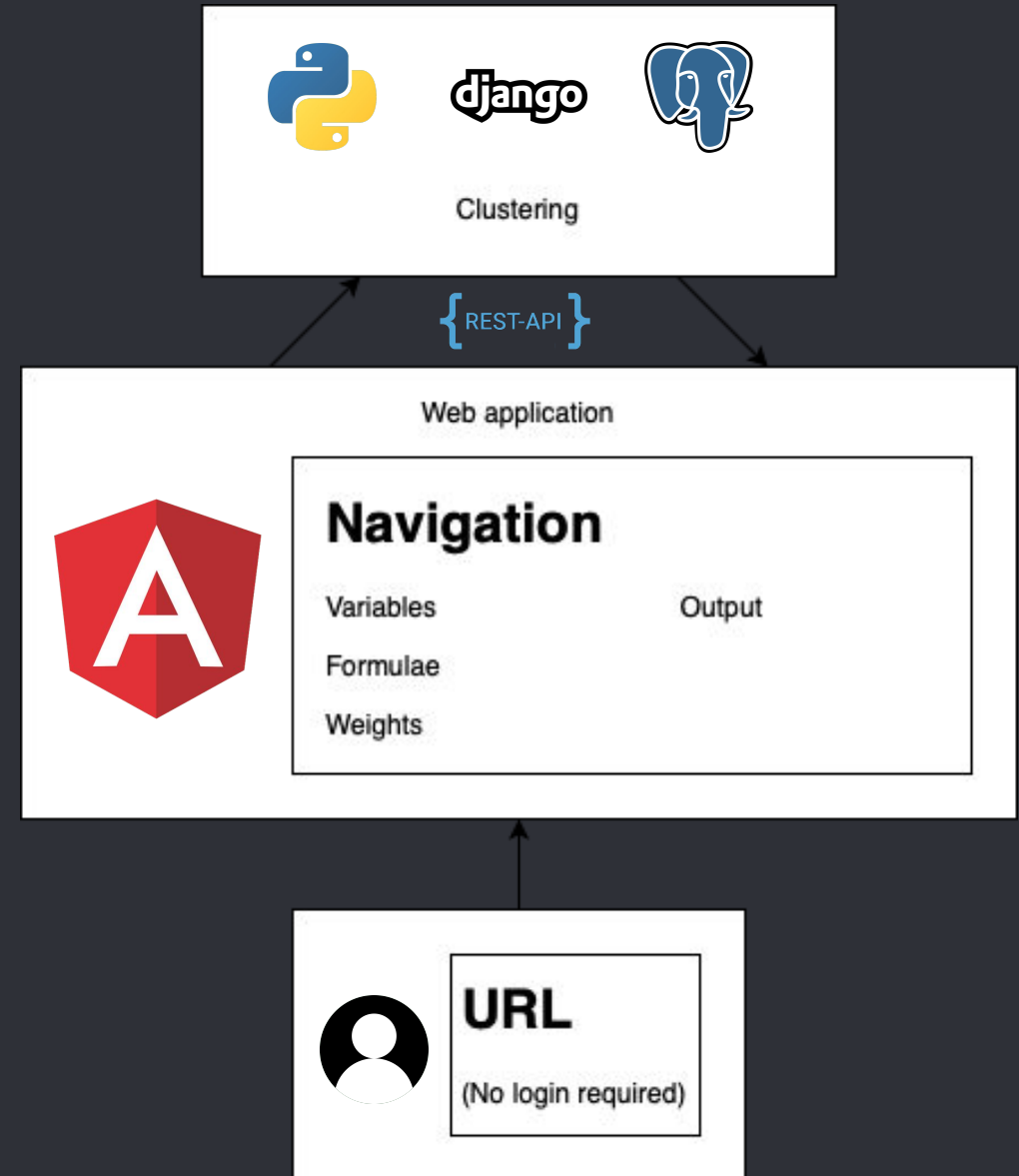


Solution

- App to track stellar evolution
- Cluster binary star systems
- Aimed at astrophysicists
- Cluster formation detection over time
- Predict stellar co-evolution

● Conceptual Diagram

- User enters from our site url (no login)
- Front end will have 4 main aspects
 - Variables
 - Formulae
 - Weights
 - Output*
- Inputs are processed by our backend through a rest-api



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Requirements and Constraints

● Functional Requirements

- Selection of attributes (i.e. Luminosity, Mass)
- Select cluster algorithm (i.e. DBScan, K-means)
- Select preprocessing (i.e. Noise reduction, scaling)
- Simulation of future star properties
- Select time range
- Visualize data

● Non-Functional Requirements

- Efficient cluster request responses (< 20 seconds)
- Simultaneous user count (< 1000)
- Scalable databases
- Environmental requirement: Internet access
- Economic requirement: Personal computer

- Constraints and Assumptions
 - Required background knowledge
 - Data complexity
 - Capabilities of clustering algorithms
 - Features (data types) present in database



Project Plan

- Risks and Mitigation Plan

- Additional clustering algorithms
 - Focus on extendable architecture
- Alternative data visualization
 - Versatile Javascript graphics libraries
- COVID-19
 - Social distancing practices
 - Focus on communication

● Technology Stack

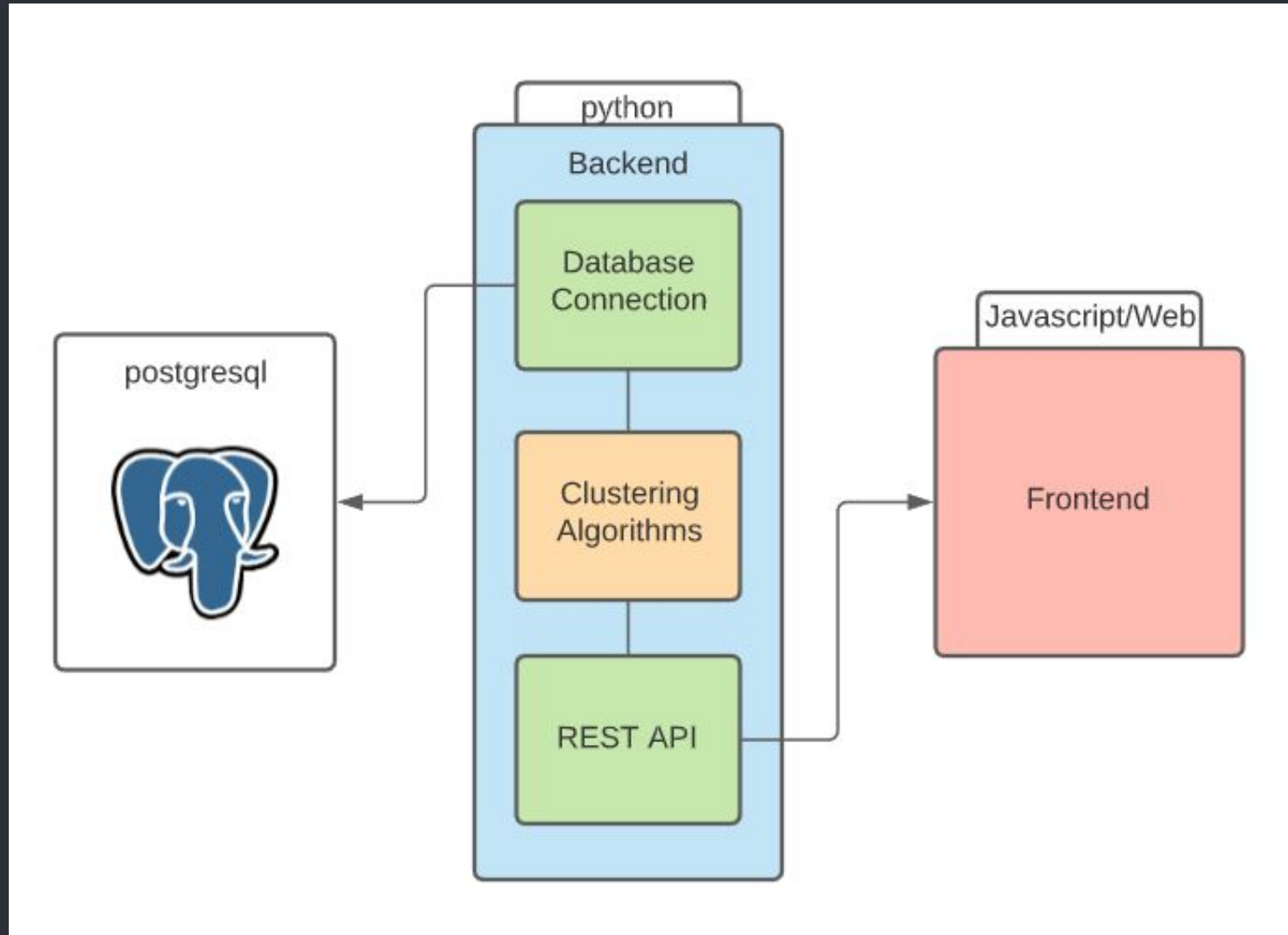
- Django Web Framework
 - COSMIC
 - scikit-learn
 - PostgreSQL
- Angular Framework/Angular Material





System Diagrams

- High Level Architecture



● Preliminary UI

- User selects attributes
- Formulae & weights rely on variables
- Adaptive UI

Variables

Helium

Mass

Luminosity

X² Formulae

Helium

Mass

Luminosity

Weights

Helium

Mass

Luminosity

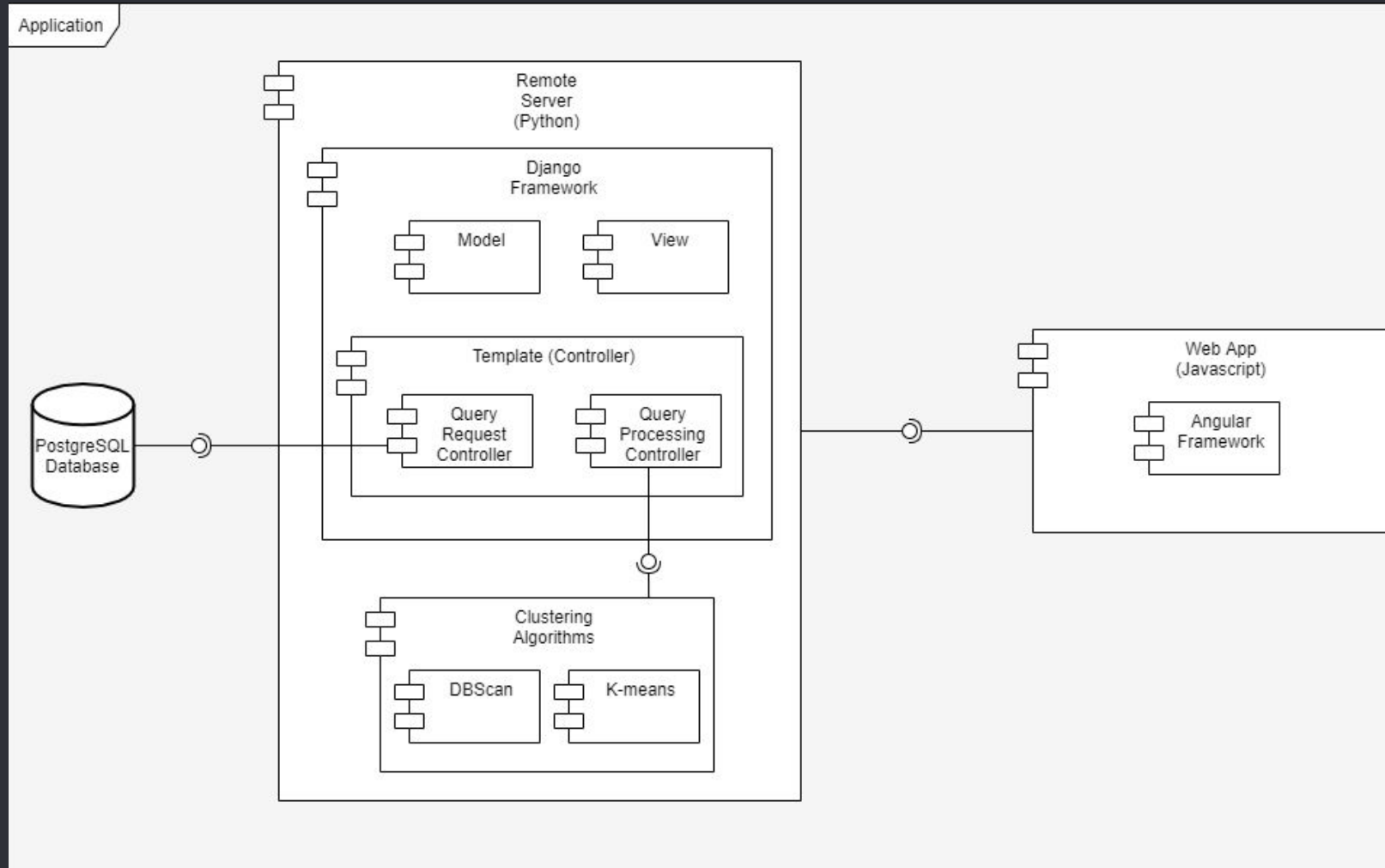
Output

Graph

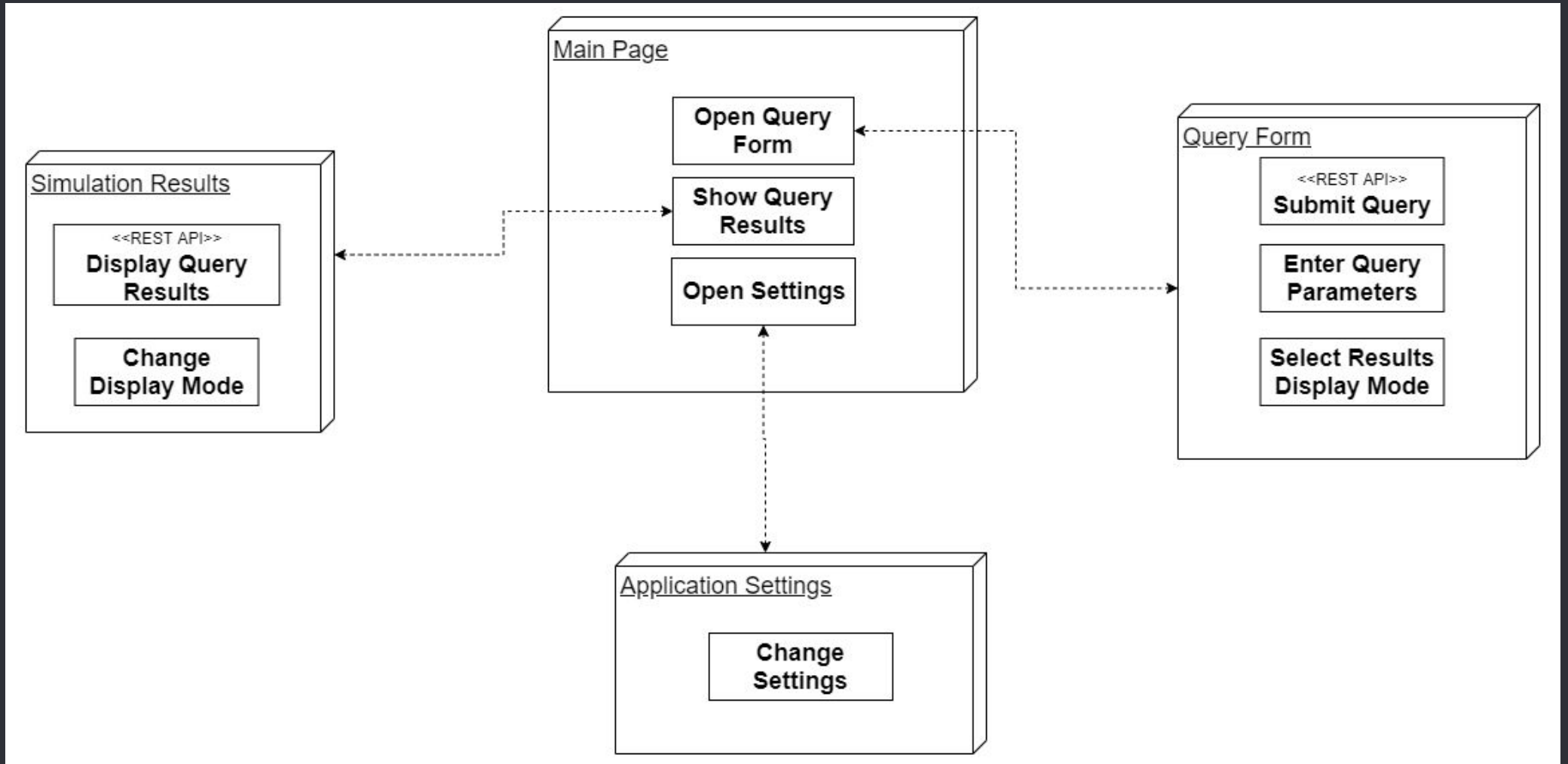
Prediction Time Million Years

Simulate

Component Diagram



● Frontend Design



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Schedule and Milestones

● Progression Metrics

- Algorithm Choice
- Determine Software
- Choose Distance Functions
- Preliminary Query UI
- Round Trip Communication
- CI/CD
- Clustering by one data type
- Graphical Display
- Useable alpha/beta stages
- Cluster by multiple data types
- Clustering Evolution

Amplitude Scaling	Offset Translation	Divide by Maximum Value	Minmax Normalization	Ratio Between Stars	Average Over Range	Difference Over Range
$\frac{v-\mu}{\sigma}$	$v - \mu$	$\frac{v}{v_{max}}$	$\frac{v - min}{max - min}$	$\frac{v_1}{v_2}$	$\frac{average(v_1, v_2)}{range}$	$\left \frac{v_1 - v_2}{range} \right $
Normalizing	Normalizing	Normalizing	Normalizing	Normalizing	Non-normalizing	Non-normalizing

Milestone Schedule

Planning and Preparation

Aug 31 - Oct 25

Research

Use Cases

Algorithm Choice

Development

Oct 26 - Apr 5

Front End UI

Mockups

Alpha Release

Beta Release

Modifications

Testing

Final Release

Apr 6 - Apr 30

Collect Feedback

User Manual

Product Release

Full Schedule

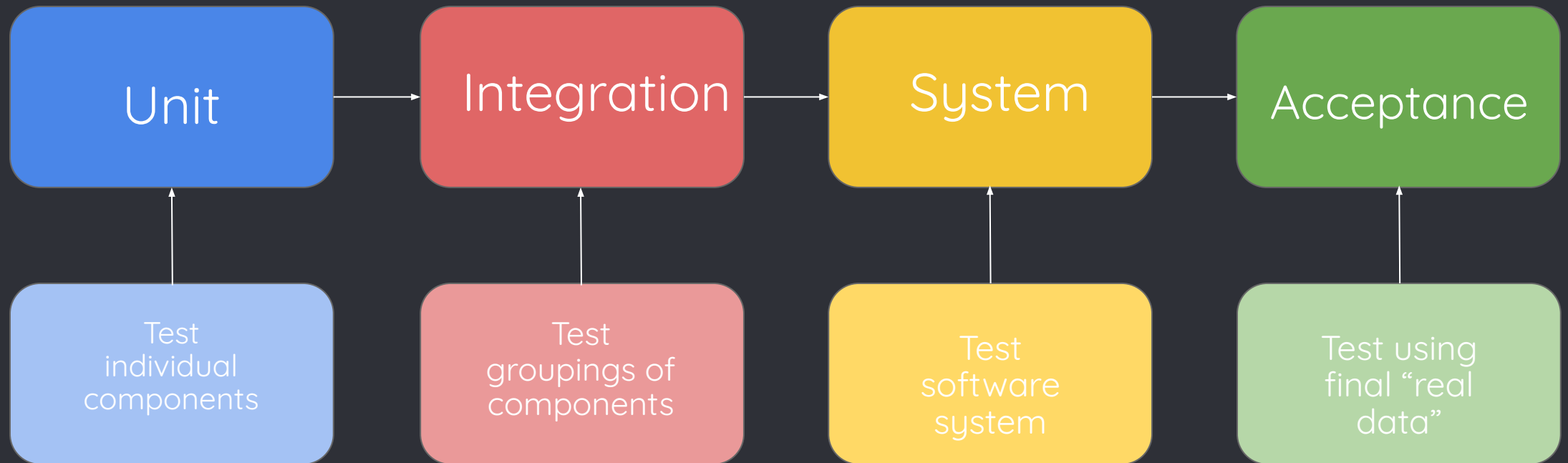
Task List	August	September	October	November	January	February	March	April
<i>Familiarize with Clustering Algorithms</i>		■	■					
<i>Consider Possible Software Tools and Platforms</i>		■	■					
<i>Finalize Attributes and Distance Functions</i>			■					
<i>Select Development Platforms and Arch. Design</i>				■				
<i>Preliminary UI Design</i>				■				
<i>Finalize Selection of Algorithm Solutions</i>				■				
<i>Devise Use Cases and Test Cases</i>				■				
<i>Finalize UI Functionality</i>				■				
<i>K-Means</i>		■	■					
<i>DBScan</i>		■	■					
<i>Algorithm and Distance Function Research</i>	■	■						
<i>Outline Use Cases in Diagram</i>			■					
<i>Test Planning</i>			■	■				
<i>Prepare Design Presentation</i>				■	■			
<i>Finalize Roles and Start Implementing Arch. Models</i>					■	■		
<i>Complete Unit Testing; Begin Integration Testing</i>					■	■	■	
<i>Provide Alpha Version for End User</i>						■	■	
<i>Finalize Revisions</i>							■	■
<i>Release Beta Version for End User</i>							■	■
<i>Finalize User Manual; Prep for Public Release</i>							■	■
<i>Deploy Final Version</i>								■
<i>Final Presentation and Report</i>								■
<i>Final Demo</i>								■



Testing

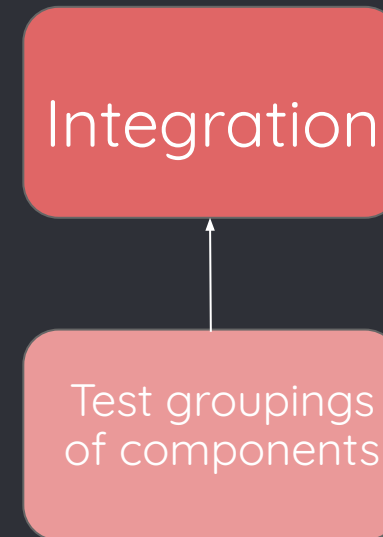
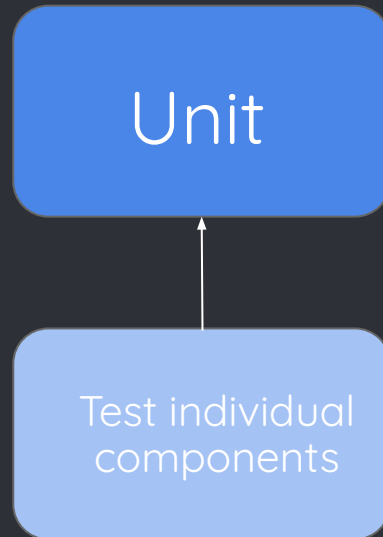
- Test Plan - Overview

- Modern software testing approach



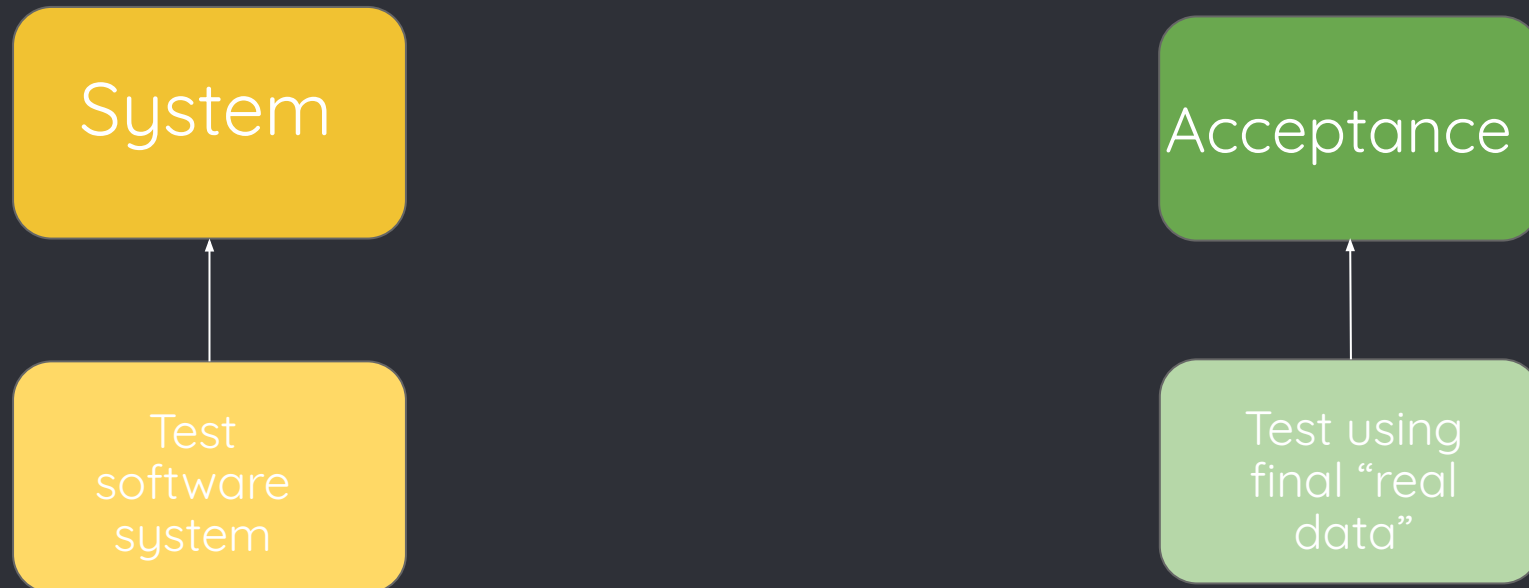
● Unit and Integration Testing

- Tests using “mock” data
- Test UI and Backend (separately)
- Tests our functional requirements



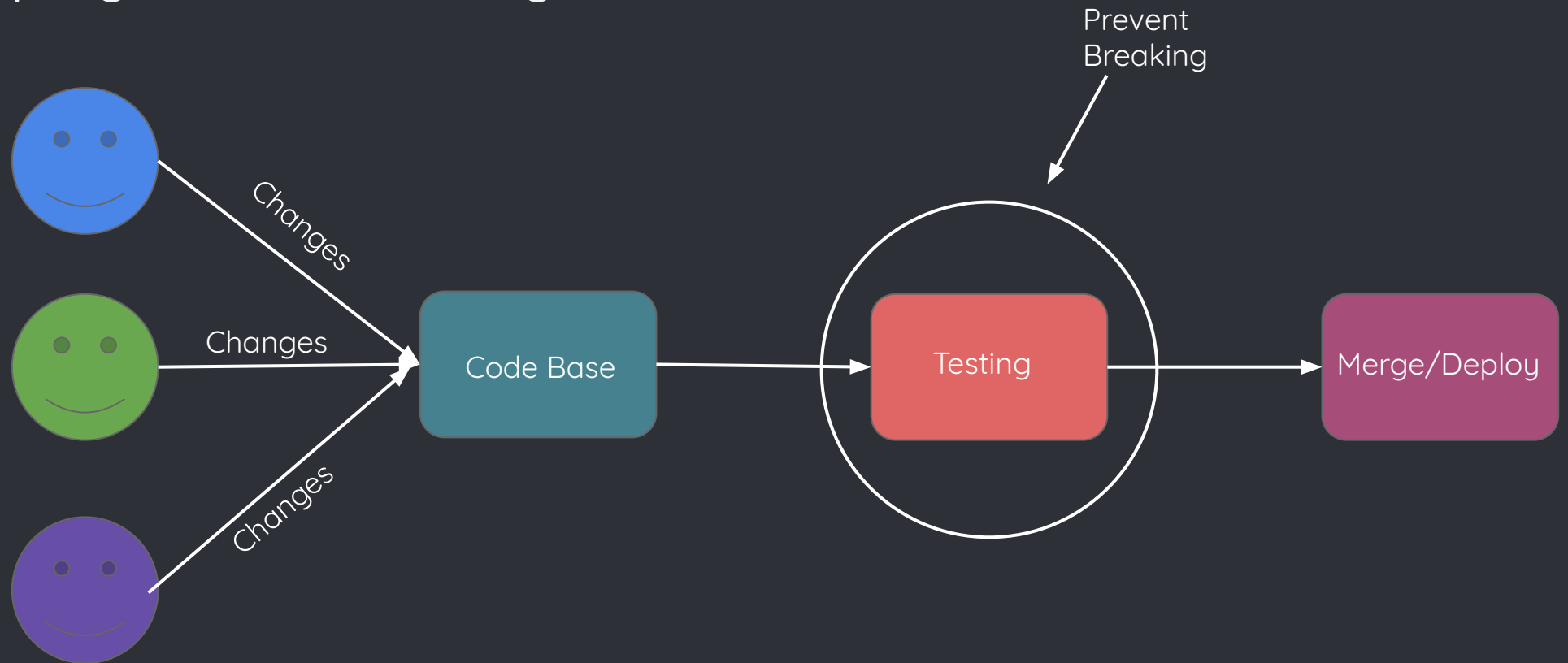
● System and Acceptance Testing

- Tests entire system
- Communication between subsystems
- Finalizes customer requirements
- Automatically maintain changes to production



CI/CD

- Ensures new code compliance
- Deploys automatically





Conclusion

● Next Steps

- ~~Research, design, technology choices, DB~~
- Reserve server space
- Start UI and backend implementation in Django
- Set up automated tests and CI/CD
- Move backend to new server space

● Individual Contributions

- **Adam Corpstein** - Team Website, Documentation/Azure Website
- **Becker Mathie** - Project Timeline/planning, Determining technologies, Test planning
- **Ethan Vander Wiel** - UI Design, Distance Functions, Testing lead
- **Joel Holm** - Functional/Non-Functional Requirements, Constraints and Assumptions, Risks & Mitigation
- **Philip Payne** - Architecture design, UML diagram design, Quality control
- **Willis Knox** - DB implementation, Distance Functions, Meeting Notes

Each member helped with general assignments, presentations, and report writing

Q&A