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**Lightweight and  
Repeatable  
Integration Testing of  
Keycloak Extensions**



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# **What exactly is CRM?**

# Project Context

- Customer Relationship Management (CRM)<sup>1</sup>
  - Process in which a business administers its interactions with customers
  - Goal: Achieve optimal customer orientation
  - CRM systems as management tools
    - Provide consolidated customer view(s)
    - Integration and automation of sales, marketing, and customer support
    - Example use case: Management of loyalty points

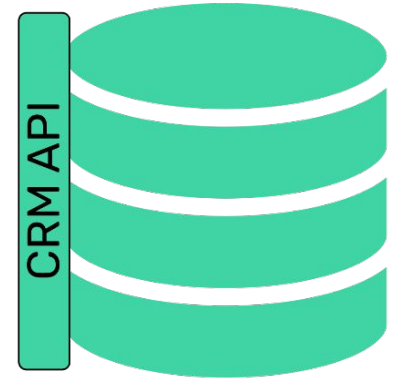
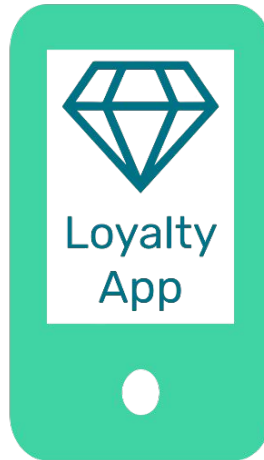
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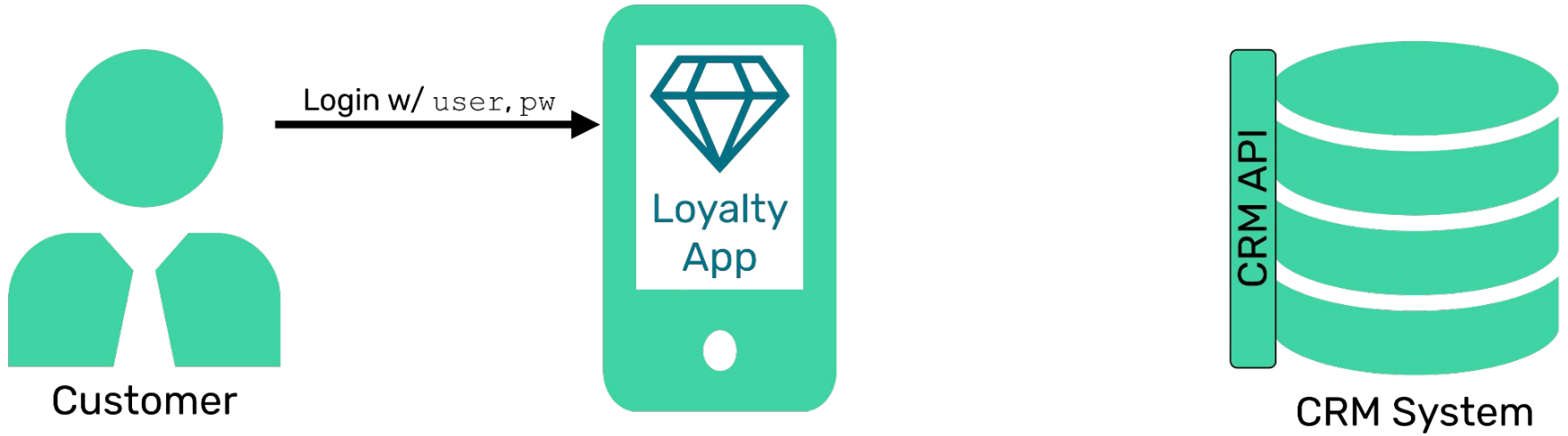


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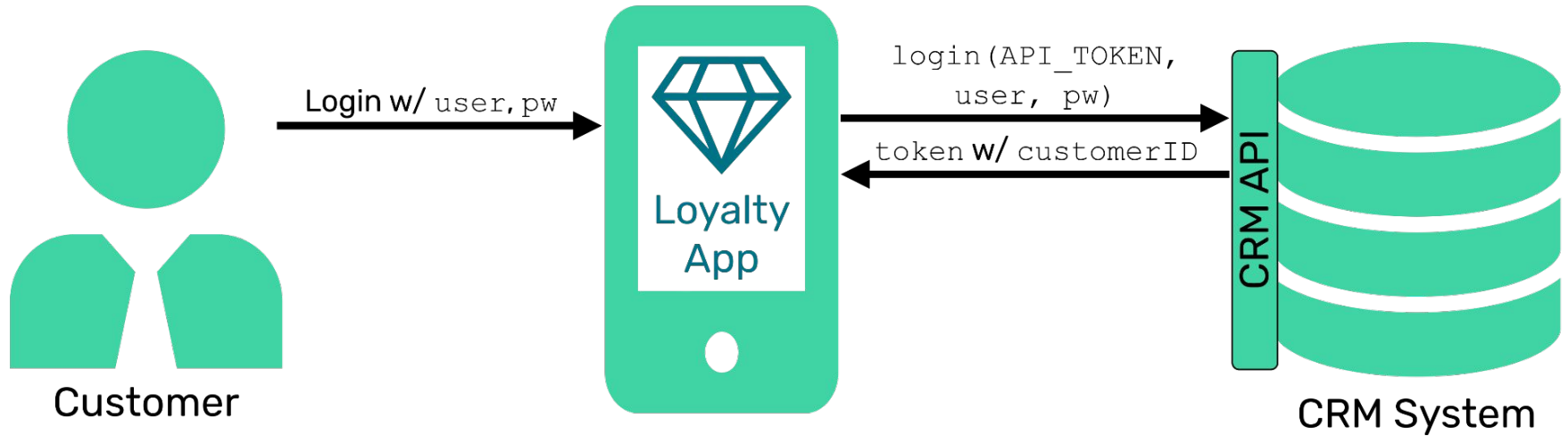


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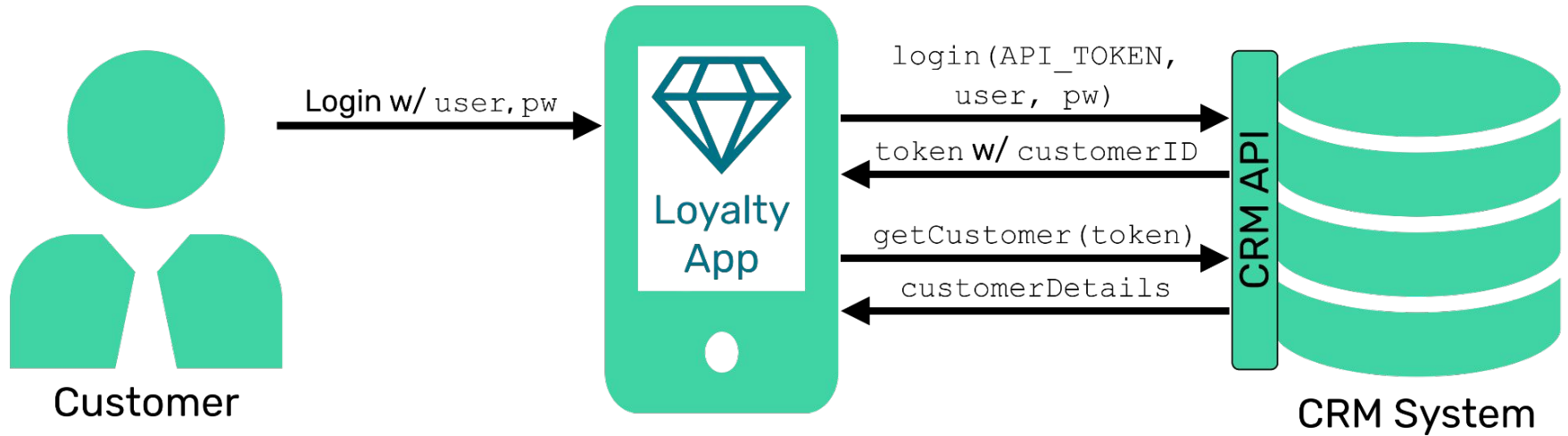
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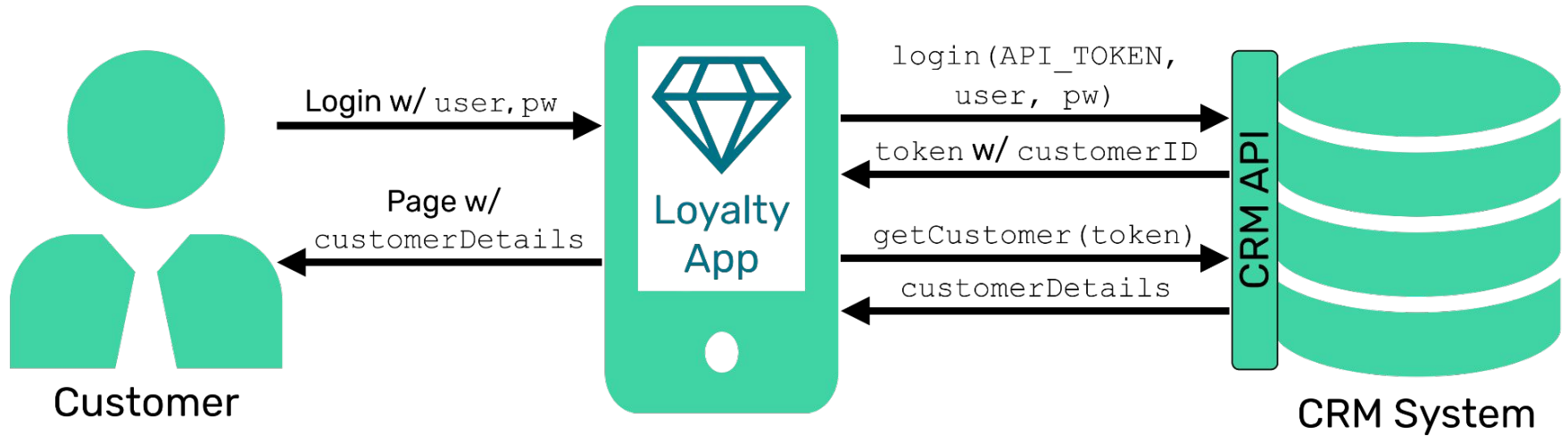
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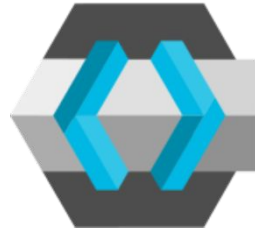
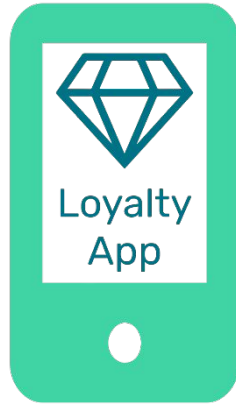
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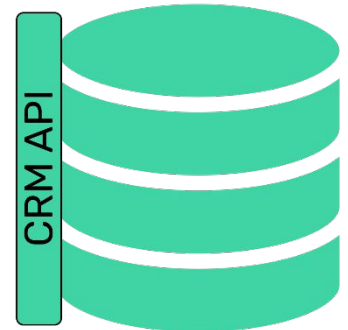
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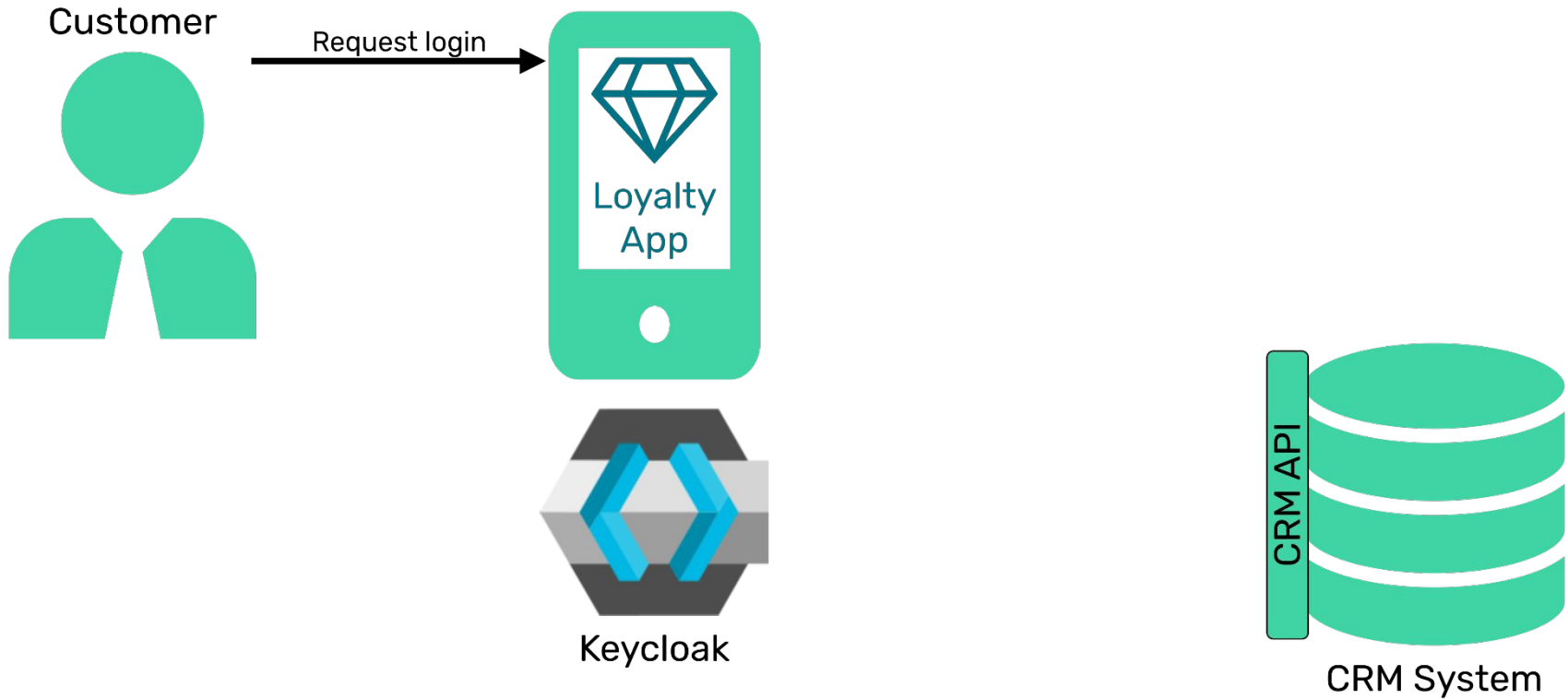


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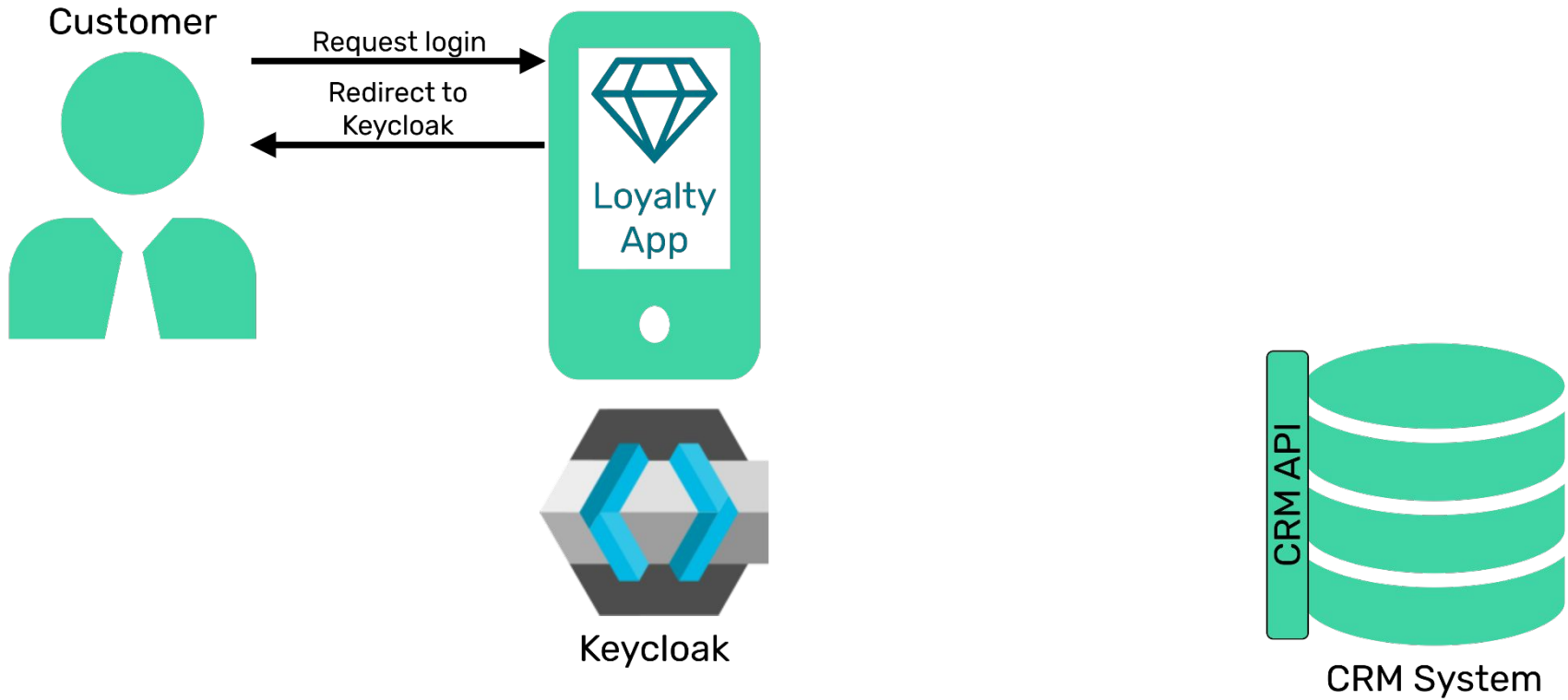


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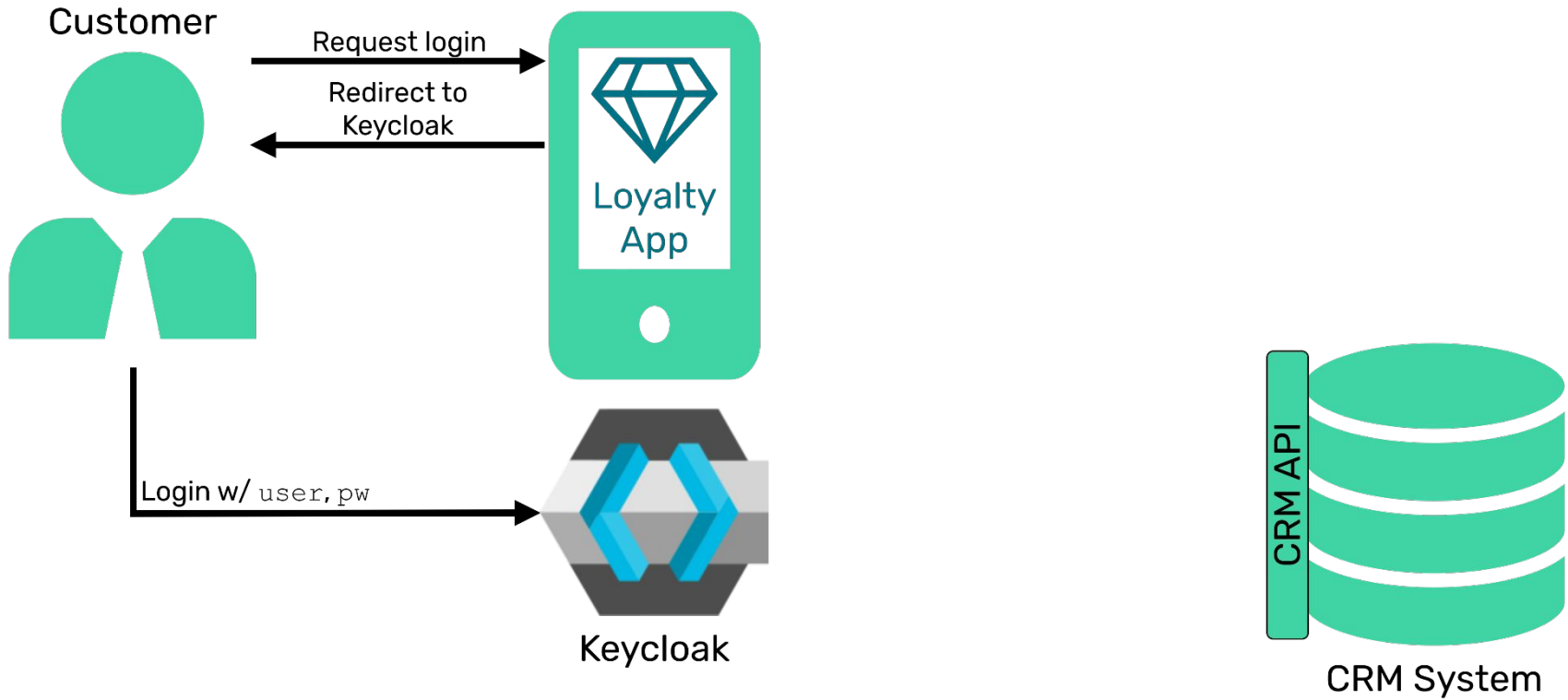
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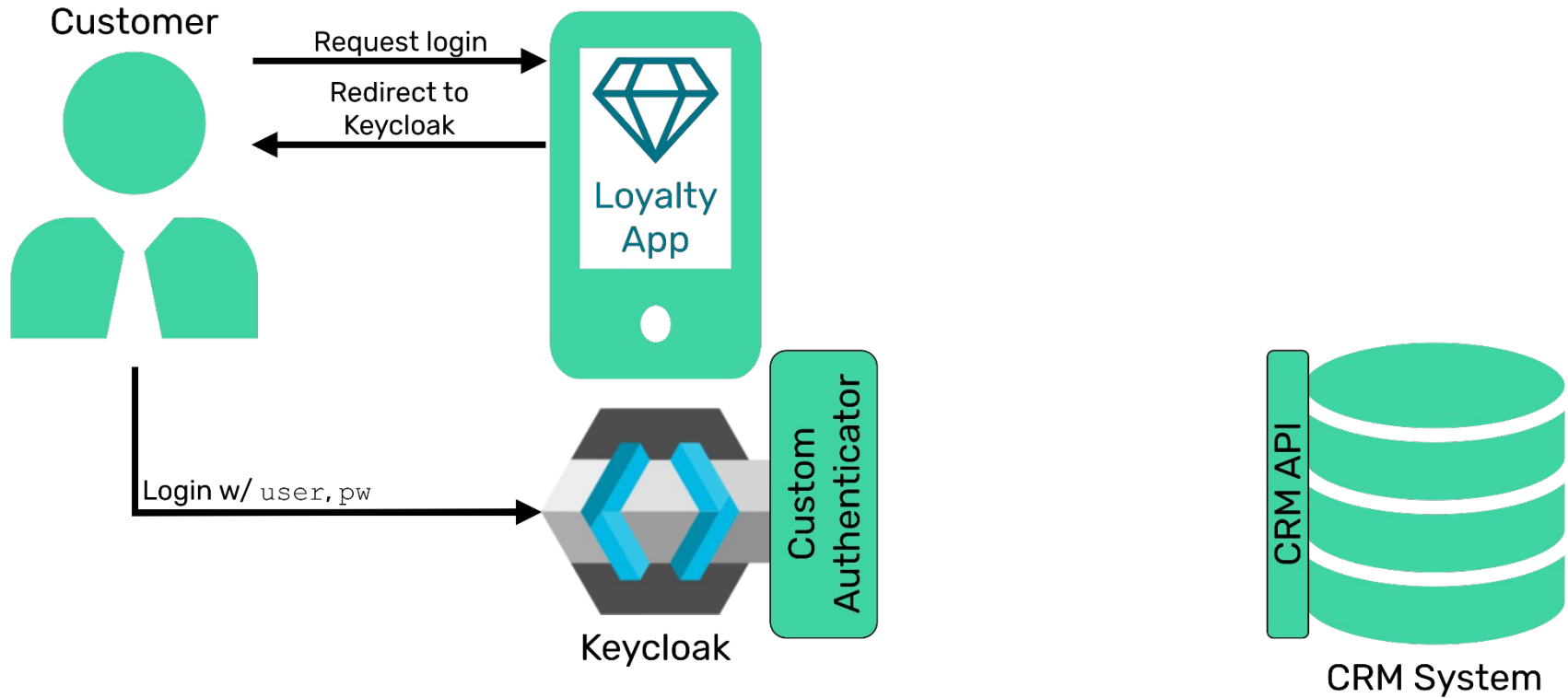


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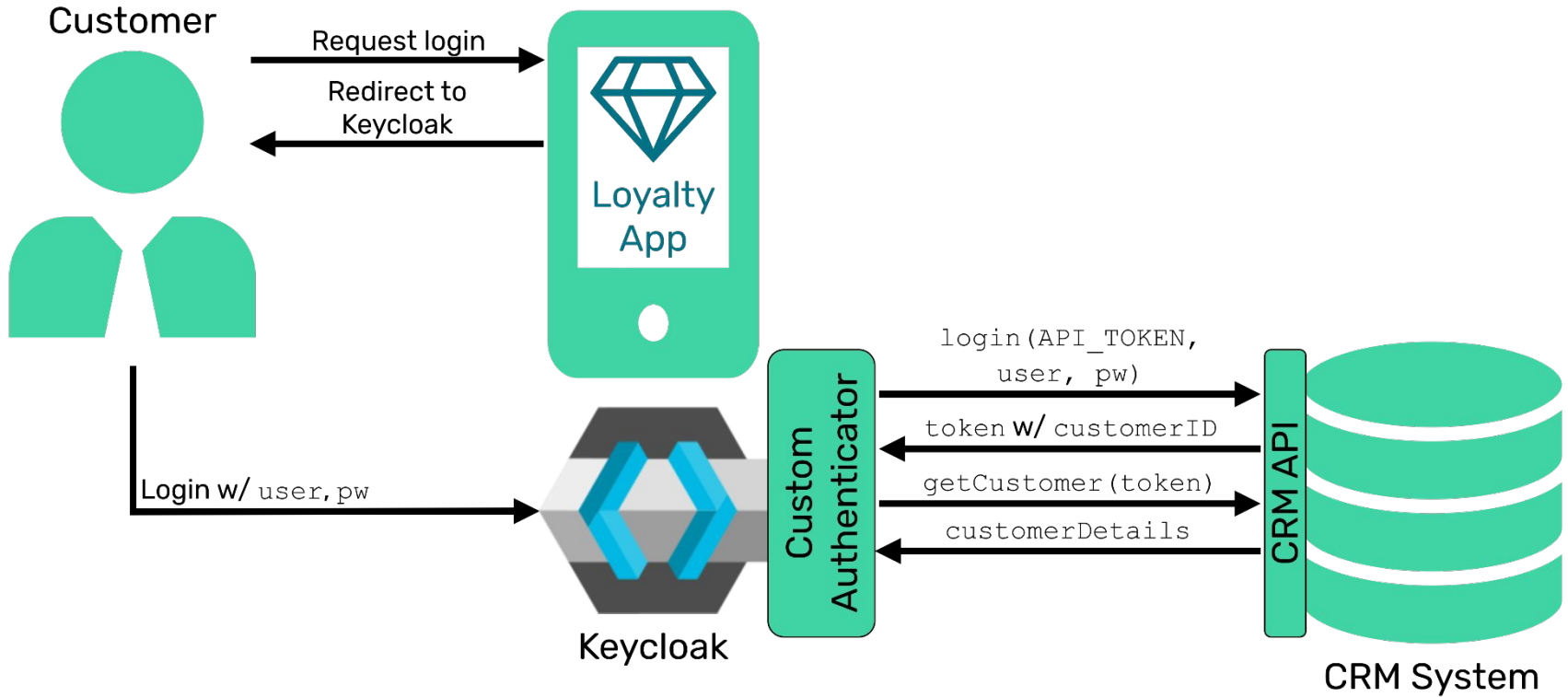




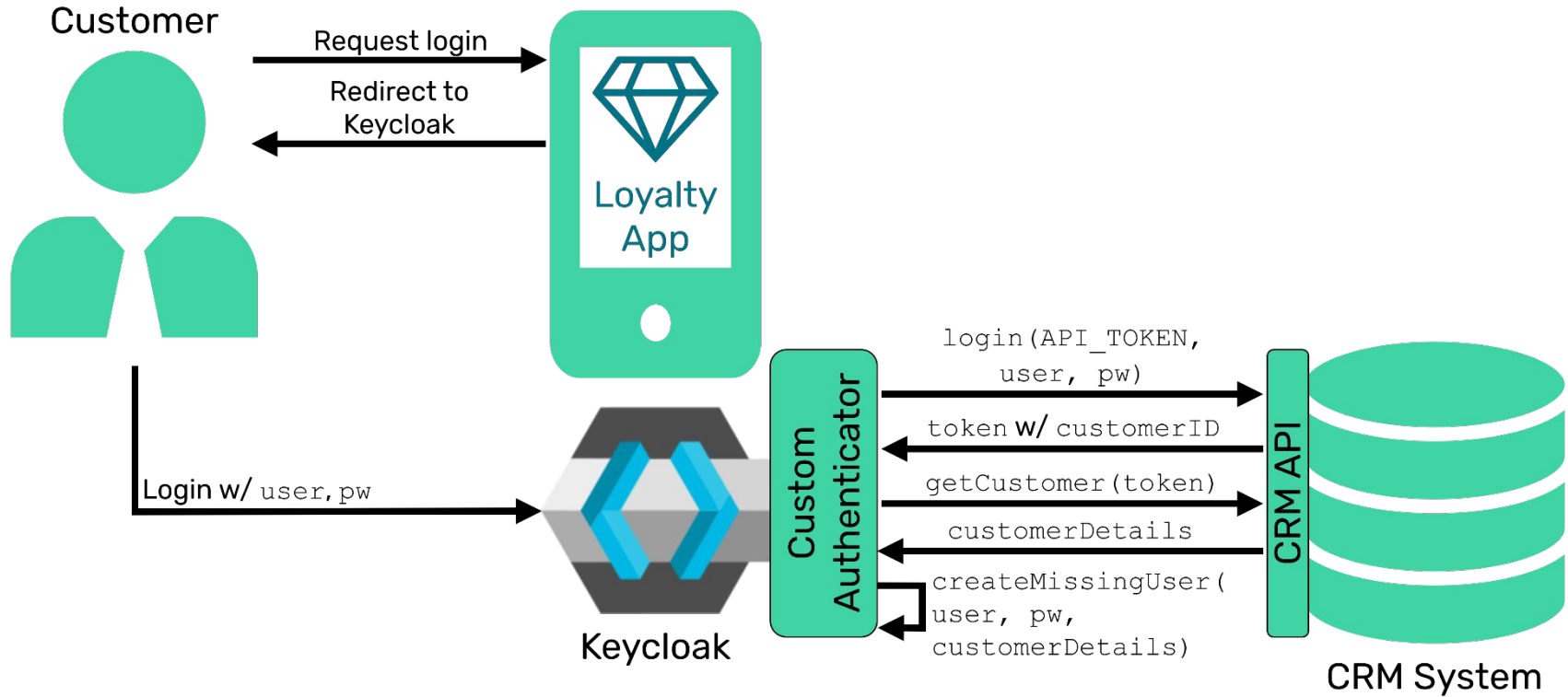
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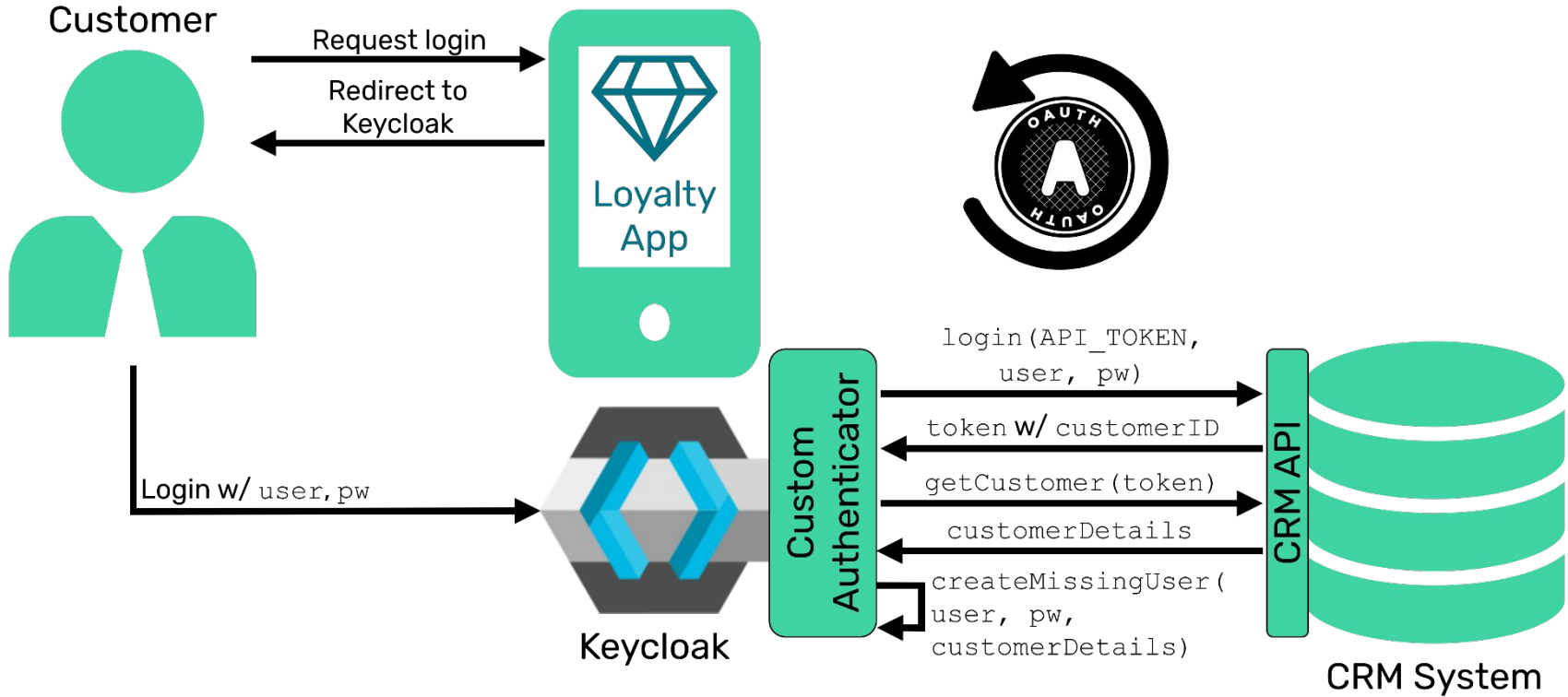
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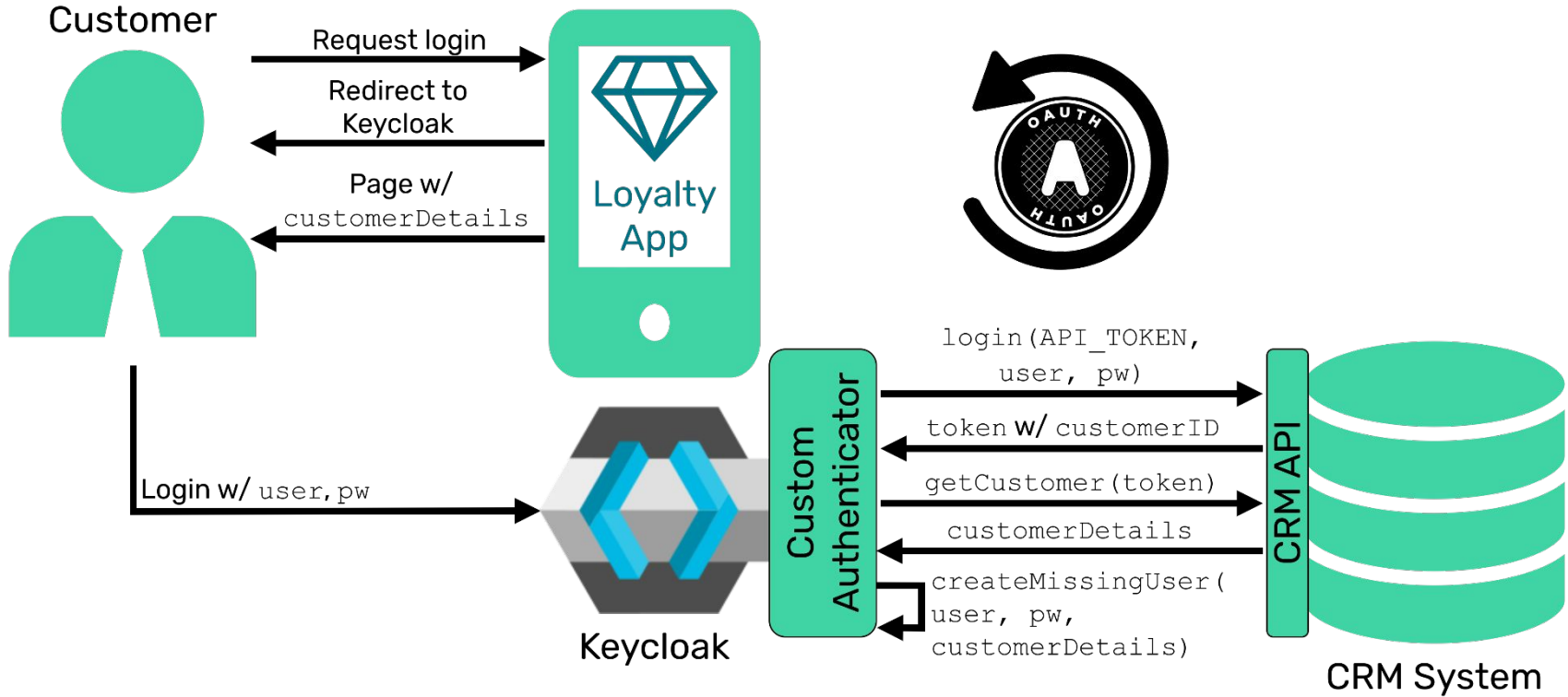
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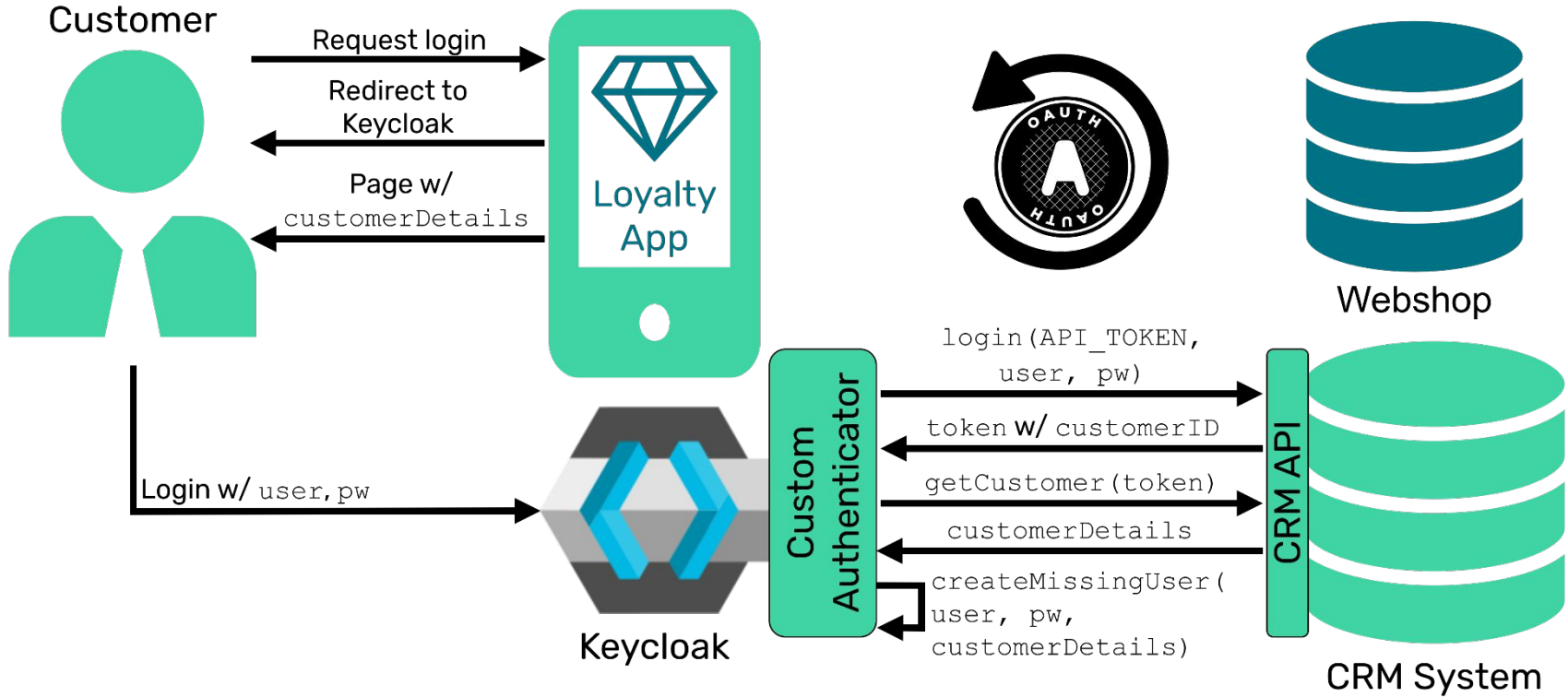
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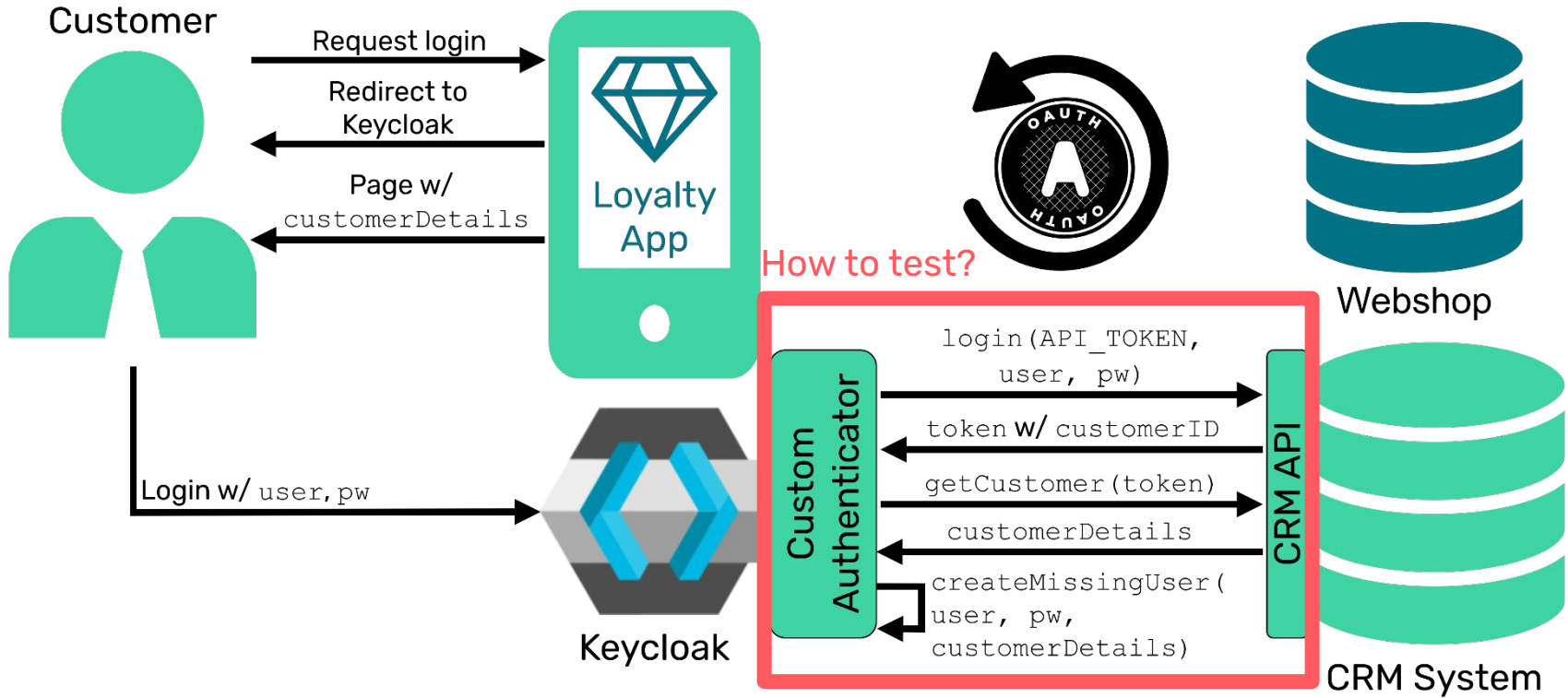
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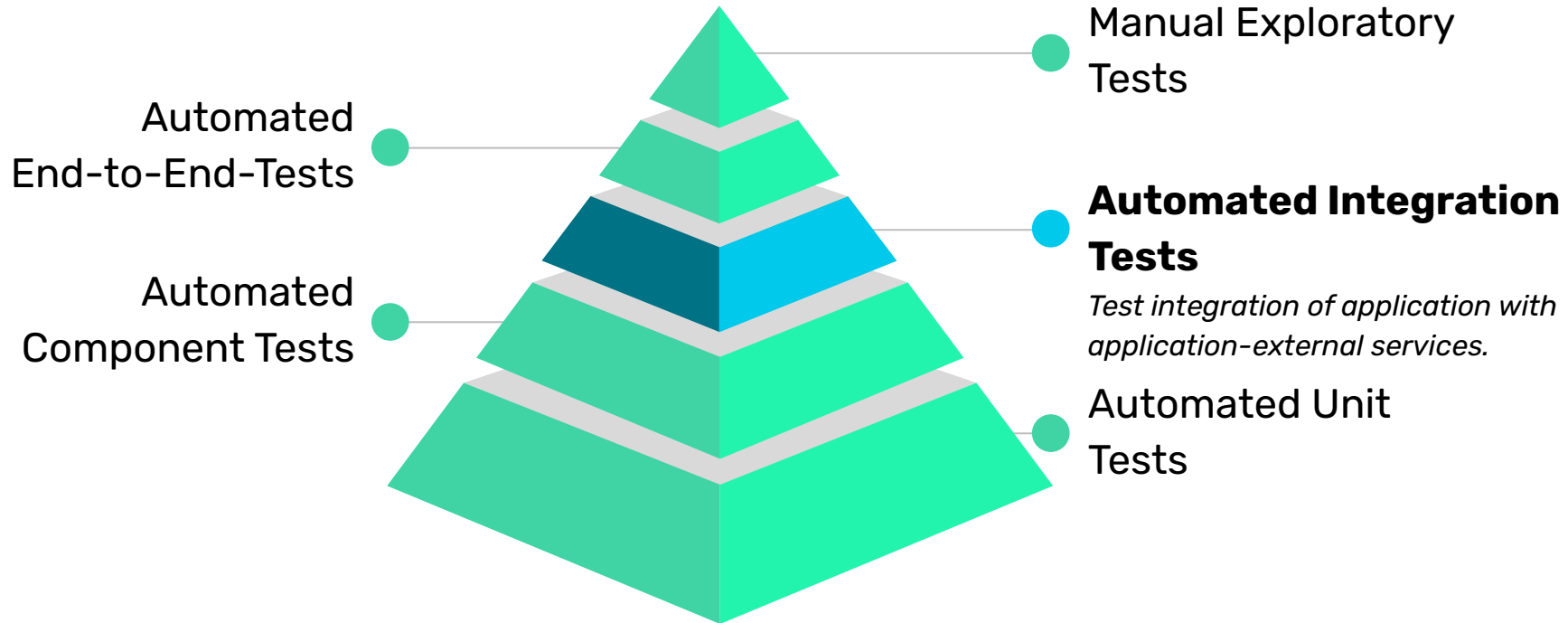
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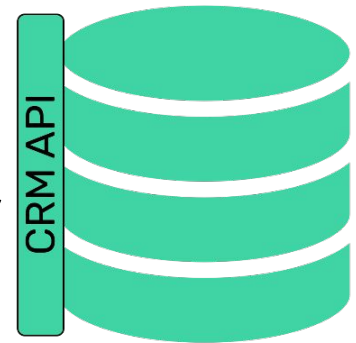
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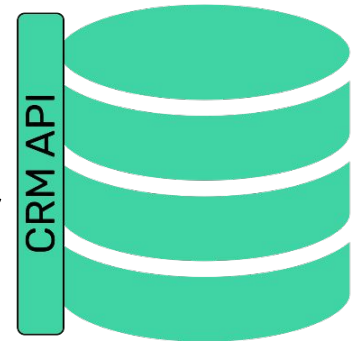
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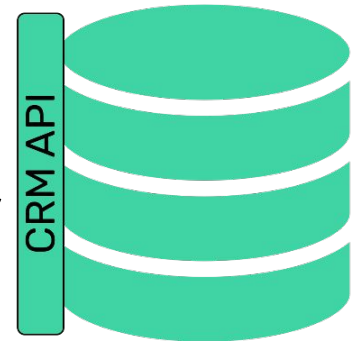


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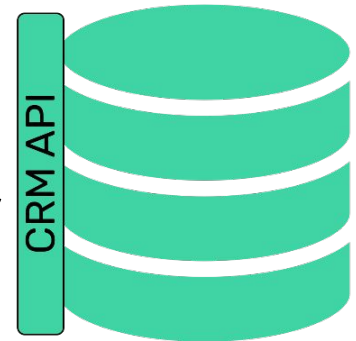
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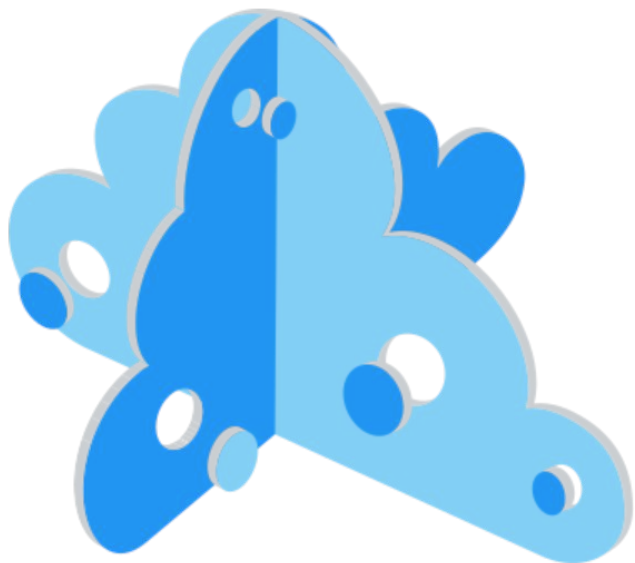
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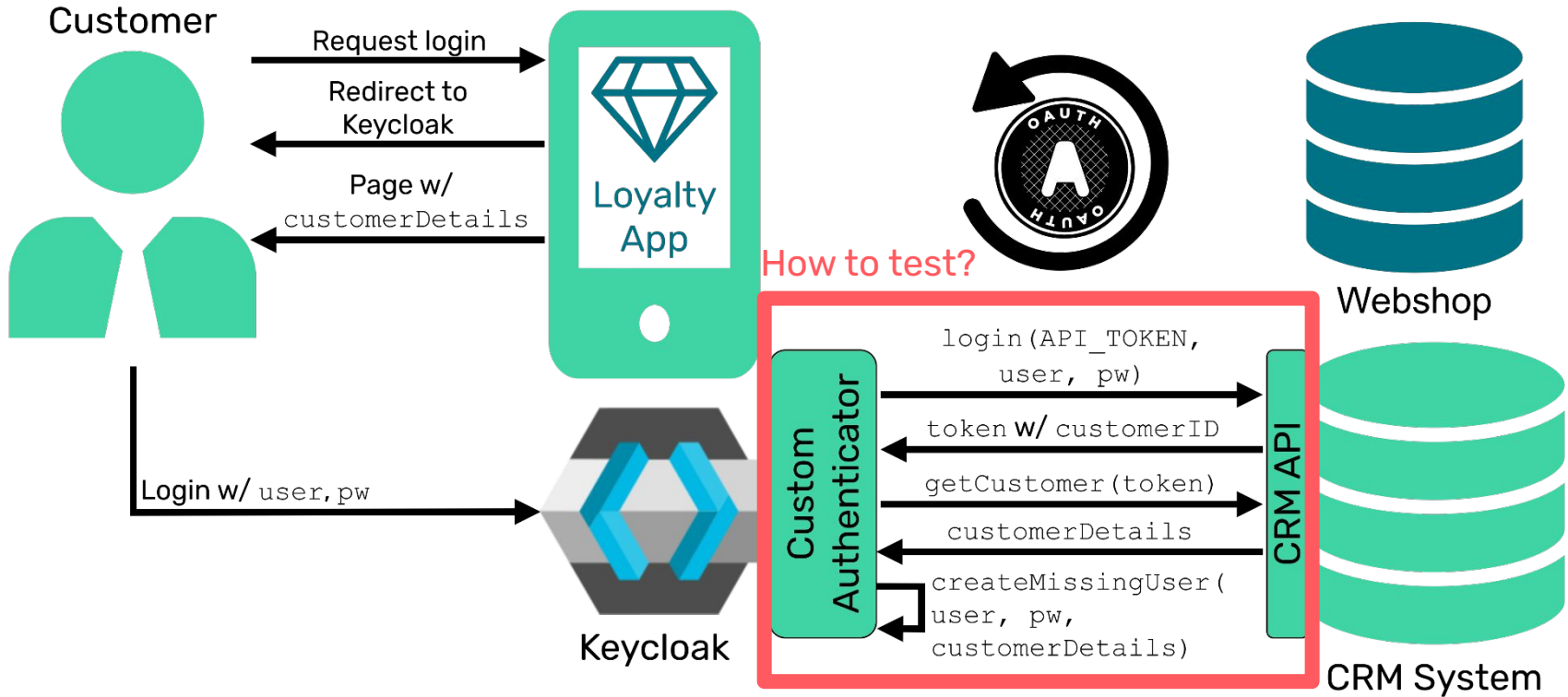
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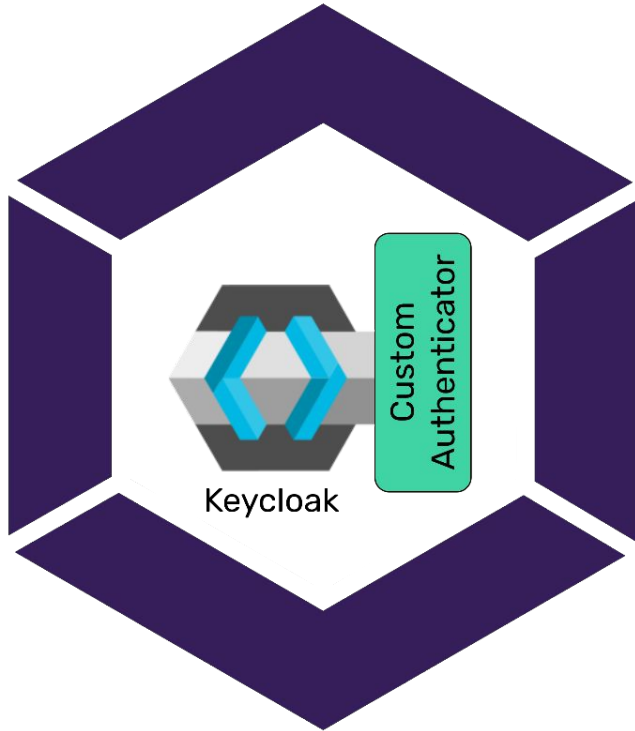
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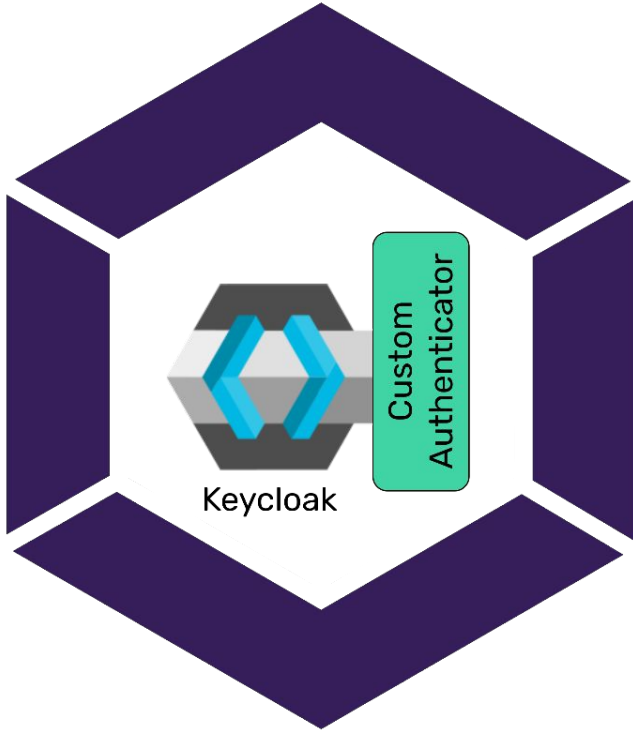


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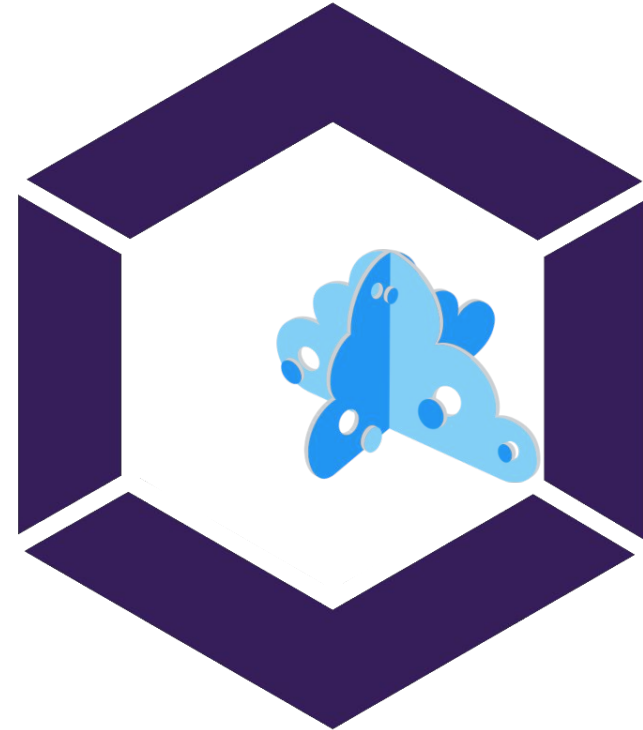


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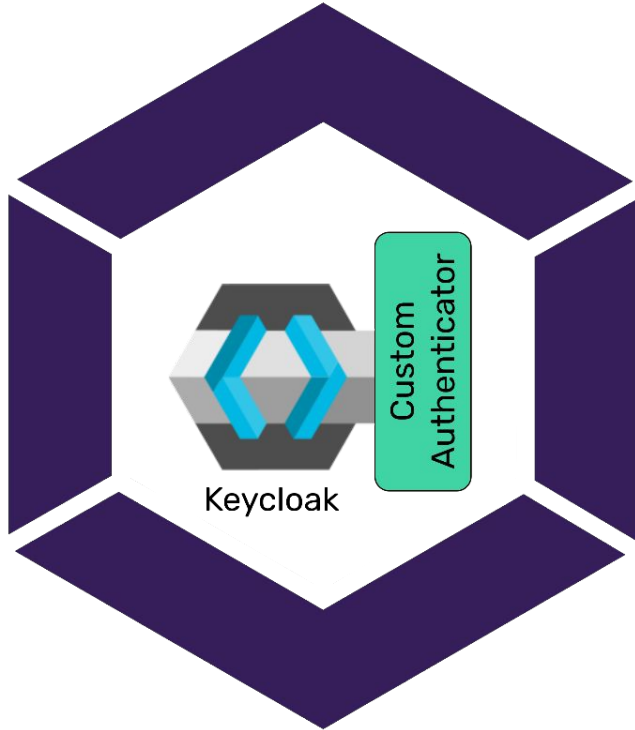


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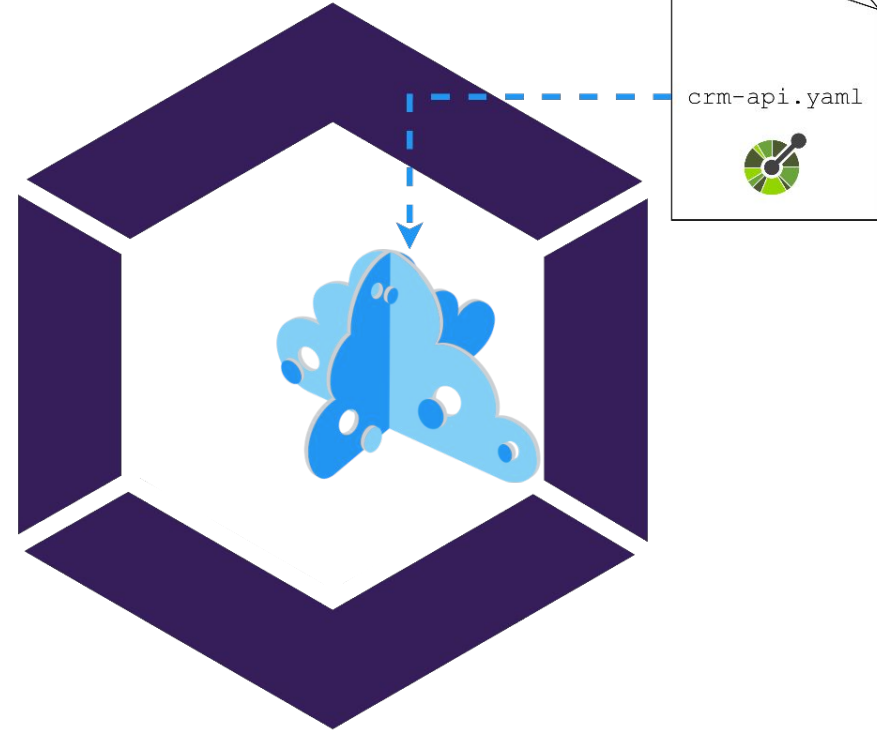


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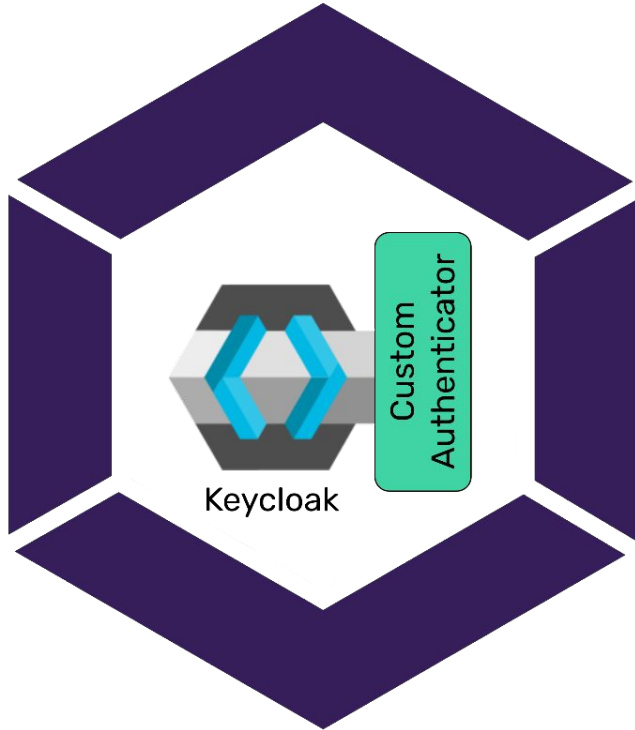


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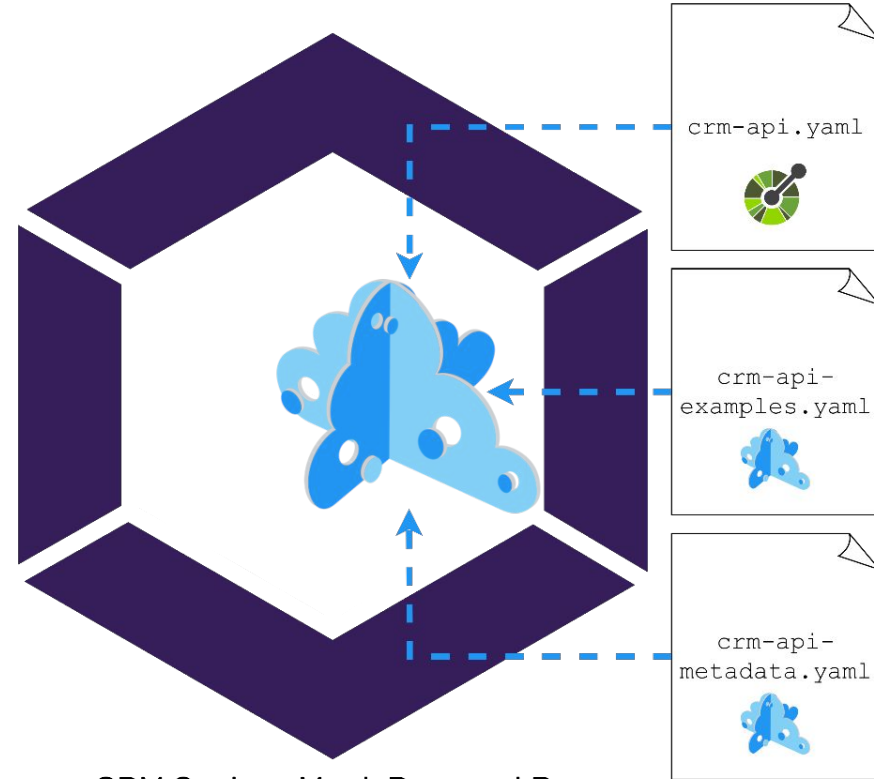


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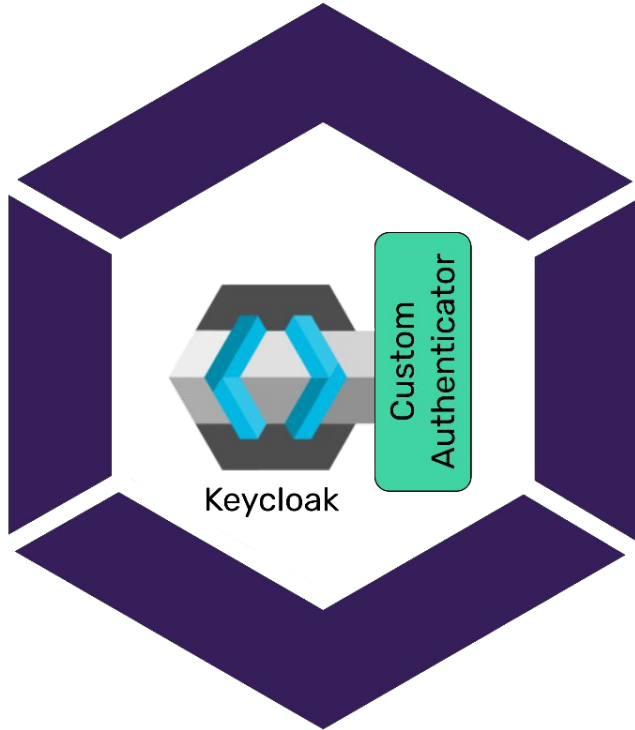


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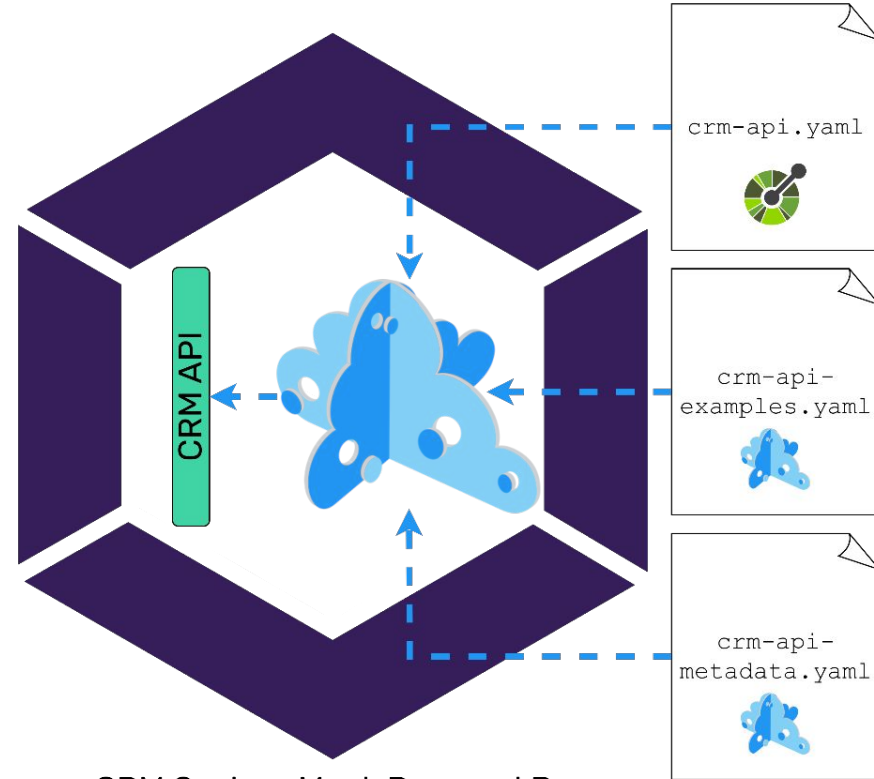


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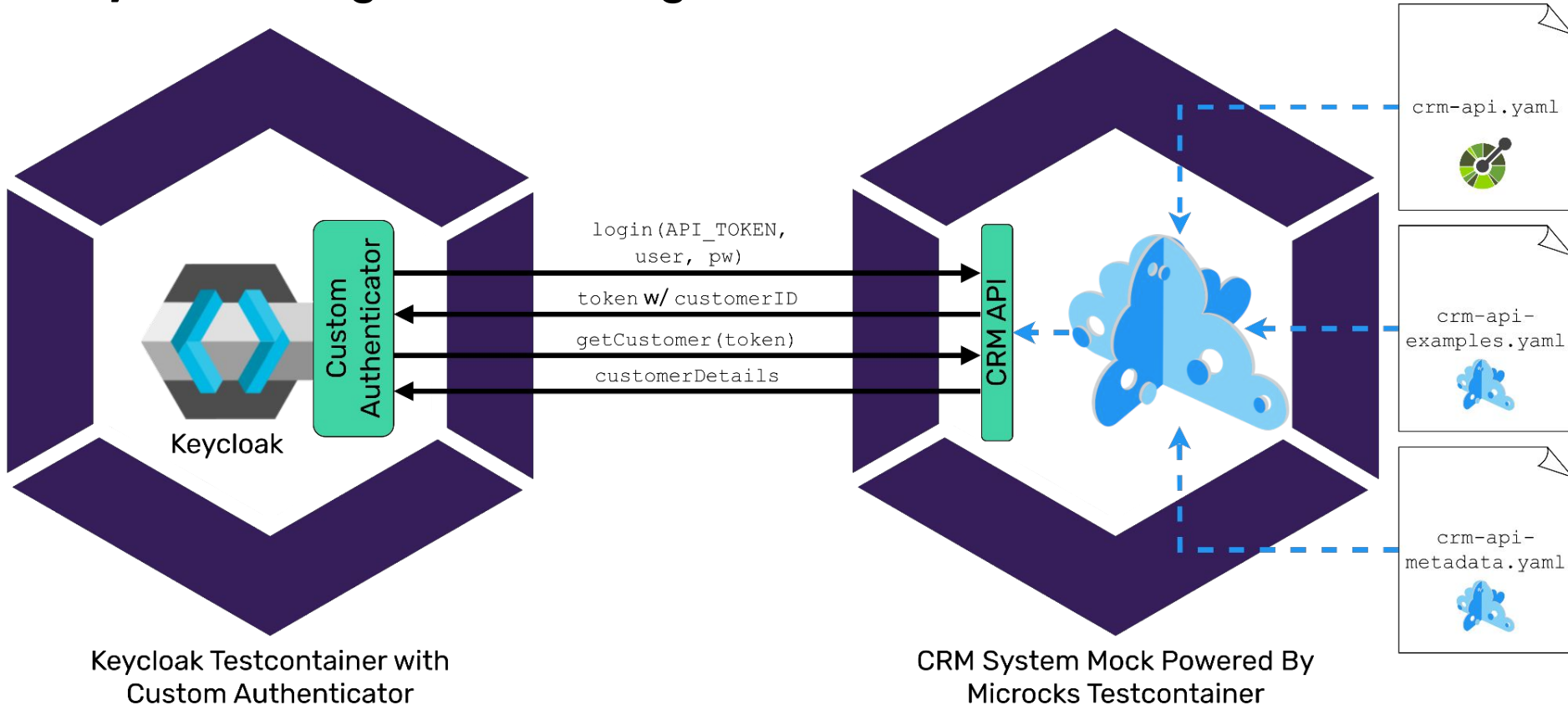


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      response:
        status: "200"
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        body:
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**Microcks API Examples** to  
define mock requests and  
responses

# Keycloak Integration Testing with Microcks: Common Use Cases

POST /login POST with SCRIPT dispatcher 3 sample(s)

MOCKS

existing\_customer new\_customer wrong\_credentials

Request

Mock URL:  raw

```
{
  "email": "john.doe@example.com",
  "password": "securePassword!"
}
```

Response

Response Code and Type: 200: application/json

```
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  E1MwNz0jgW0DAvcMvzdC9jcm0tYXBpLzEuMC4wLVNOQVBTSE9UIi...
  3B1bm1kIHByb2ZpbGUgZW1haWwifQ.7DuMxiGMfBS7iuJtbgog4PR
}
```

Header name	Values
Accept	application/json

Details of the mocked login() endpoint in the Microcks Testcontainer for the CRM System Mock



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- `login(API_TOKEN, user, pw)`: Access Restriction with API Token

```
apiVersion: mocks.microcks.io/v1alpha1
kind: APIMetadata
operations:
  "POST /login":
    parameterConstraints:
      - name: Authorization
        in: header
        required: true
        recopy: false
        mustMatchRegexp: "^Bearer\\s\\QeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIs\\.\\.\\.\\E$"

```



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**Microcks Parameter Constraints with regexes**  
to define fixed Bearer tokens

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operations:
  "POST /login":
    ...
    dispatcher: SCRIPT
    dispatcherRules: |-
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**Microcks SCRIPT Dispatchers with JSON parsing support** to select mock responses from request data

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- `getCustomer(token)`: Token-Based Data Retrieval

```
apiVersion: mocks.microcks.io/v1alpha1
kind: APIMetadata
operations:
  "GET /customers":
    dispatcher: SCRIPT
    dispatcherRules: |-
      def headers = mockRequest.getRequestHeaders()
      if (headers.hasValues("Authorization")) {
        def authHeader = headers.get("Authorization", "null")
        switch(authHeader) {
          case "Bearer eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9...":
            return "existing_customer"
        }
      }
    return "unauthorized_or_unknown_customer"
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**Microcks SCRIPT  
Dispatchers with access  
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kind: APIExamples
operations:
  "GET /customers":
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        body:
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```



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**Microcks Mock Templates  
and Function Expressions**  
to specify dynamic mock  
content



# Keycloak Integration Testing with Microcks: Common Use Cases

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      store.put(customer.email, "")
      ...
      return "new_customer"
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**Microcks Stateful Mocks**  
to share data between  
mock requests

# Keycloak Integration Testing with Microcks: Common Use Cases

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  "GET /customers/{email}":
    ...
    dispatcher: SCRIPT
    dispatcherRules: |-
      def requestedEmail = mockRequest.getRequest().getRequestURI().tokenize("/").last()
      if (store.get(requestedEmail) != null)
        return "customer_exists"

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