

# Espresso Patronum: The Magic of the Robot Pattern

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# What Is Espresso?

Use Espresso to write concise, beautiful, and reliable Android UI tests<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://developer.android.com/training/testing/espresso/index.html>

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- `doesNotExist()`

# Espresso Example

```
// onView gives us a ViewInteraction where we can perform an action  
// or check an assertion.  
onView(ViewMatcher)  
    .perform(ViewAction)  
    .check(ViewAssertion)
```

# Espresso Example

```
// Type into an EditText, verify it appears in a TextView  
onView(withId(R.id.etInput)).perform(typeText("Adam"))  
onView(withId(R.id.tvOutput)).check(matches(withText("Adam")))
```

# Sample App



# Happy Path Test

@Test

```
fun testSuccessfulRegistration() {  
    onView(withId(R.id.etFirstName)).perform(typeText("Adam"))  
    onView(withId(R.id.etLastName)).perform(typeText("McNeilly"))  
    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).perform(typeText("adam@testing.com"))  
    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))  
    onView(withId(R.id.registerButton)).perform(click())  
  
    onView(withId(R.id.tvFullName)).check(matches(withText("Adam McNeilly")))  
    onView(withId(R.id.tvEmailAddress)).check(matches(withText("adam@testing.com")))  
    onView(withId(R.id.tvPhoneNumber)).check(matches(withText("(123)-456-7890")))  
}
```



# Test Leaving Out A Field

```
@Test
fun testMissingEmailError() {
    onView(withId(R.id.etFirstName)).perform(typeText("Adam"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etLastName)).perform(typeText("McNeilly"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))
    onView(withId(R.id.registerButton)).perform(click())

    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).check(matches(hasErrorText("Must enter an email address.")))
}
```

# Test An Invalid Field

```
@Test
fun testInvalidEmailError() {
    onView(withId(R.id.etFirstName)).perform(typeText("Adam"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etLastName)).perform(typeText("McNeilly"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).perform(typeText("blahblah"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))
    onView(withId(R.id.registerButton)).perform(click())

    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).check(matches(hasErrorText("Must enter a valid email address.")))
}
```

# All Together

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@Test
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    onView(withId(R.id.etFirstName)).perform(typeText("Adam"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etLastName)).perform(typeText("McNeilly"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).perform(typeText("adam@testing.com"))
    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))
    onView(withId(R.id.registerButton)).perform(click())

    onView(withId(R.id.tvFullName)).check(matches(withText("Adam McNeilly")))
    onView(withId(R.id.tvEmailAddress)).check(matches(withText("adam@testing.com")))
    onView(withId(R.id.tvPhoneNumber)).check(matches(withText("(123)-456-7890")))
}

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    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))
    onView(withId(R.id.registerButton)).perform(click())

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    onView(withId(R.id.etPhone)).perform(typeText("1234567890"))
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    onView(withId(R.id.etEmail)).check(matches(hasErrorText("Must enter a valid email address.")))
}
```

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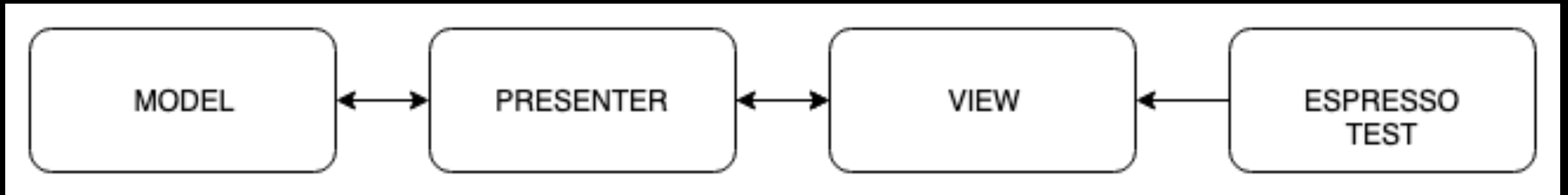
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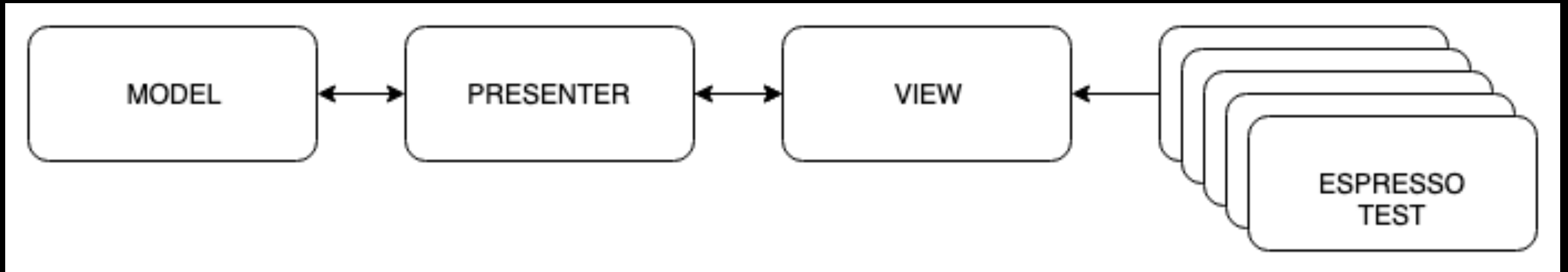
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- Difficult To Maintain - No Separation Of Concerns

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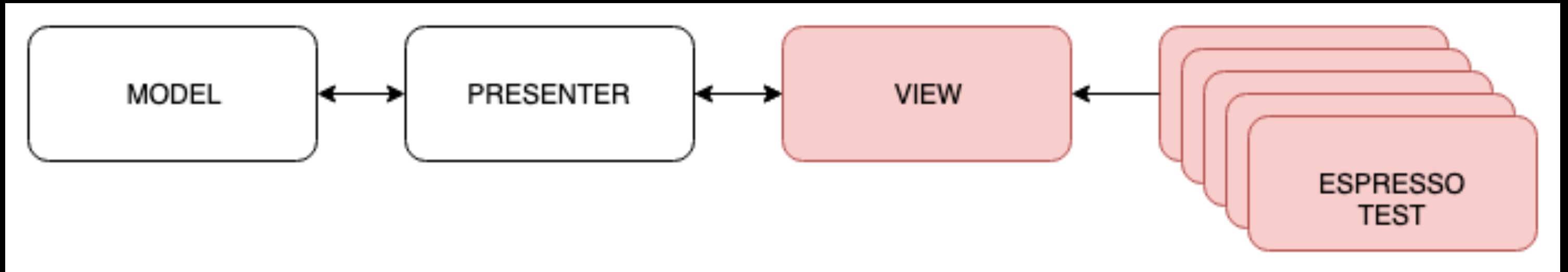




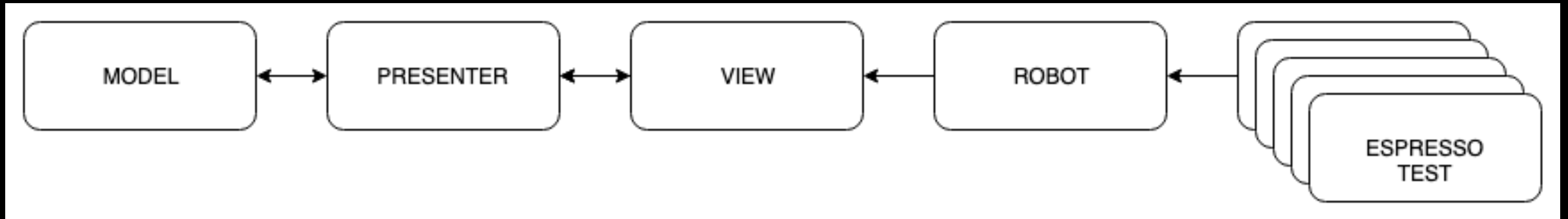
# No Separation Of Concerns



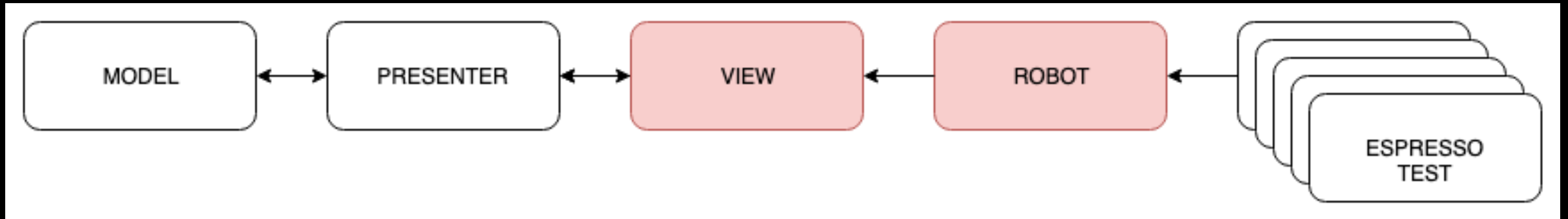
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# Introducing Robots



# Separation Of Concerns



# Let's Create A Robot

```
@Test
fun testSuccessfulRegistration() {
    RegistrationRobot()
        .firstName("Adam")
        .lastName("McNeilly")
        .email("adam@testing.com")
        .phone("1234567890")
        .register()
        .assertFullNameDisplay("Adam McNeilly")
        .assertEmailDisplay("adam@testing.com")
        .assertPhoneDisplay("(123)-456-7890")
}
```

Write your tests as if you're telling a Quality Assurance Engineer what to do.

# Define ViewMatchers

```
class RegistrationRobot {  
  
    companion object {  
        private val FIRST_NAME_INPUT_MATCHER = withId(R.id.etFirstName)  
        private val LAST_NAME_INPUT_MATCHER = withId(R.id.etLastName)  
        private val EMAIL_INPUT_MATCHER = withId(R.id.etEmail)  
        private val PHONE_INPUT_MATCHER = withId(R.id.etPhone)  
        private val REGISTER_INPUT_MATCHER = withId(R.id.registerButton)  
    }  
}
```

# One Method For Each Action

```
class RegistrationRobot {  
  
    fun firstName(firstName: String): RegistrationRobot {  
        onView(FIRST_NAME_MATCHER).perform(clearText(), typeText(firstName), closeSoftKeyboard())  
        return this  
    }  
  
    fun register(): RegistrationRobot {  
        onView(REGISTER_INPUT_MATCHER).perform(click())  
        return this  
    }  
}
```



# One Method For Each Assertion

```
class RegistrationRobot {  
  
    fun assertEmailDisplay(email: String) = apply {  
        onView(EMAIL_DISPLAY_MATCHER).check(matches(withText(email)))  
    }  
  
    fun assertEmailError(error: String) = apply {  
        onView(EMAIL_INPUT_MATCHER).check(matches(hasErrorText(error)))  
    }  
}
```

# Implementation

```
@Test
fun testSuccessfulRegistration() {
    RegistrationRobot()
        .firstName("Adam")
        .lastName("McNeilly")
        .email("adam@testing.com")
        .phone("1234567890")
        .register()
}
```

# Easy To Create Negative Test

```
@Test
fun testMissingEmailError() {
    RegistrationRobot()
        .firstName("Adam")
        .lastName("McNeilly")
        .phone("1234567890")
        .register()
        .assertEmailError("Must enter an email address.")
}
```

# Work Some Kotlin Magic, If You Want

```
fun registration(func: RegistrationRobot.() -> Unit) = RegistrationRobot().apply(func)
```

```
// ...
```

```
@Test
```

```
fun testSuccessfulRegistrationWithOptIn() {  
    registration {  
        firstName("Adam")  
        lastName("McNeilly")  
        email("adam@testing.com")  
        phone("1234567890")  
        emailOptIn()  
    }.register()  
}
```

# Best Practices

# Leverage Them For Better Test Reporting

```
class RegistrationRobot {  
  
    // Take a screenshot  
    fun firstName(firstName: String) = apply {  
        onView(FIRST_NAME_MATCHER).perform(clearText(), typeText(firstName), closeSoftKeyboard())  
        takeScreenshot("entered_first_name")  
    }  
  
    // Log the step  
    fun firstName(firstName: String) = apply {  
        onView(FIRST_NAME_MATCHER).perform(clearText(), typeText(firstName), closeSoftKeyboard())  
        Timber.d("Entering first name")  
    }  
}
```

# Use One Robot Per Screen

```
@Test
fun testSuccessfulRegistrationWithOptIn() {
    RegistrationRobot()
        .firstName("Adam")
        .lastName("McNeilly")
        .email("adam@testing.com")
        .phone("1234567890")
        .emailOptIn()
        .register()

    UserProfileRobot()
        .assertFullNameDisplay("Adam McNeilly")
        .assertEmailDisplay("adam@testing.com")
        .assertPhoneDisplay("(123)-456-7890")
        .assertOptedIn()
}
```

# Don't Chain Robots

// Sounds reasonable...

```
fun register(): UserProfileRobot {  
    onView(REGISTER_INPUT_MATCHER).perform(click())  
    return UserProfileRobot()  
}
```

// Unable to run negative tests now

@Test

```
fun testMissingEmailError() {  
    RegistrationRobot()  
        .register()  
        .assertEmailError("Must enter an email address.") // Undefined Method  
}
```



# Don't Put Conditional Logic In Robot

```
// Sounds reasonable...
// But who tests the tests?
class UserProfileRobot {
    fun assertOptInStatus(optedIn: Boolean) = apply {
        val optInMatcher = if (optedIn) isChecked() else isChecked()
        onView(EMAIL_OPT_IN_DISPLAY_MATCHER).check(matches(optInMatcher))
    }
}
```

# Use Separate Methods Instead

```
class UserProfileRobot {  
    fun assertOptedIn() = apply {  
        onView(EMAIL_OPT_IN_DISPLAY_MATCHER).check(matches(isChecked()))  
    }  
  
    fun assertOptedOut() = apply {  
        onView(EMAIL_OPT_IN_DISPLAY_MATCHER).check(matches(isNotChecked()))  
    }  
}
```

# Unit Testing With Robots

# ViewModel Example

```
class UserViewModel(  
    private val repository: UserRepository  
) : ViewModel() {  
    val state = MutableLiveData<NetworkState<User>>()  
  
    fun fetchUser() {  
        repository  
            .fetchUser()  
            .subscribe(  
                { user ->  
                    state.value = NetworkState.Loaded(user)  
                },  
                { error ->  
                    state.value = NetworkState.Error(error)  
                }  
            )  
    }  
}
```

# You May Write Tests This Way

```
@Test
fun successfulFetch() {
    val mockRepository = mock(UserRepository::class.java)
    val sampleUser = User("Adam")
    whenever(mockRepository.fetchUser()).thenReturn(Single.just(sampleUser))

    val viewModel = UserViewModel(mockRepository)
    viewModel.fetchUser()
    val currentState = viewModel.state.testObserver().observedValue
    assertEquals(NetworkState.Loaded(sampleUser), currentState)
}
```

# Create A Robot Here Too

```
class UserViewModelRobot {  
    private val mockRepository = mock(UserRepository::class.java)  
    private val viewModel = UserViewModel(mockRepository)  
  
    fun mockUserResponse(user: User) = apply {  
        val response = Single.just(user)  
        whenever(mockRepository.fetchUser()).thenReturn(response)  
    }  
  
    fun fetchUser() = apply {  
        viewModel.fetchUser()  
    }  
  
    fun assertState(expectedState: NetworkState<User>) = apply {  
        val currentState = viewModel.state.testObserver().observedValue  
        assertEquals(expectedState, currentState)  
    }  
}
```

# Implement Robot

```
class UserViewModelTest {  
    private lateinit var testRobot: UserViewModelRobot  
  
    @Before  
    fun setUp() {  
        // Robot should be specific to each test  
        testRobot = UserViewModelRobot()  
    }  
  
    @Test  
    fun successfulFetch() {  
        val sampleUser = User("Adam")  
  
        testRobot  
            .mockUserResponse(sampleUser)  
            .fetchUser()  
            .assertState(NetworkState.Loaded(sampleUser))  
    }  
}
```

# Easy To Add Error Test

```
class UserViewModelRobot {  
    // ...  
  
    fun mockUserError(error: Throwable?) = apply {  
        val response = Single.error<User>(error)  
        whenever(mockRepository.fetchUser()).thenReturn(response)  
    }  
}  
  
class UserViewModelTest {  
    // ...  
  
    @Test  
    fun failureFetch() {  
        val sampleError = Throwable("Whoops")  
  
        testRobot  
            .mockUserError(sampleError)  
            .fetchUser()  
            .assertState(NetworkState.Error(sampleError))  
    }  
}
```



# Let's See It In Action

# Update Our ViewModel

```
class UserViewModel(  
    private val repository: UserRepository  
) : ViewModel() {  
    // val state = MutableLiveData<NetworkState<User>>()  
    val state: BehaviorSubject<NetworkState<User>> = BehaviorSubject.create()  
}
```

# Update One Robot Method

```
class UserViewModelRobot {  
    fun assertState(expectedState: NetworkState<User>) = apply {  
        // val currentState = viewModel.state.testObserver().observedValue  
        val currentState = viewModel.state.value  
        assertEquals(expectedState, currentState)  
    }  
}
```

# Everything Is Passing Again

▼	✓	UserViewModelTes	497 ms
	✓	failureFetch	495 ms
	✓	successfulFetch	2 ms

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- Don't code yourself into a corner with additional complexity
  - Don't chain robots
  - Don't include any logic in the robot methods
- This concept is not specific to Espresso, or UI testing

# Thank You!

Sample App & Slides: <https://github.com/AdamMc331/EspressoPatronum>