Test-Driven Development

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Test-driven Development in Context

- 1. Tests and Testing
- 2. Test-first Programming
- 3. Test-driven Development

Tests and Testing

- Testing is a process
 - that tests some concern (the concern "under test")
 - for correct and expected operation
 - according to a specification
 - usually as part of quality assurance
- Tests can be manual or automated
- Tests verify against a given specification
- Tests increase confidence in correct functioning
- However, tests can never proof a program correct

Types of Tests [1]

- Components tests (a.k.a. unit tests)
 - Focus on testing one component out of context
- Acceptance tests (a.k.a. functional tests)
 - Focus on testing one cross-cutting functionality
- Integration tests (a.k.a. system tests)
 - Focus on testing end-to-end system integrity

Tests and Testing Terminology

Test (Case)

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Test Suite

A set of related tests that cover a particular domain of the software

Test Set-Up

The data and preparation necessary to run a test as intended

Test Result

The result of running a test, either succeed or fail, or a test error

Test Harness

A software, like JUnit, that is used to simplify the implementation of tests

Test-First Programming [B02]

- Test-first programming is a practice in which developers
 - Write a test before they implement the actual functionality and
 - Iterate over an "add new or enhance test, make test work" loop
- Functionality is a by-product of making the tests work
 - Test-first programming
 - clarifies code functionality and interfaces
 - improves code quality through second use scenario
 - builds up test suite for continuous integration (later)

Test-First Rules 1 / 2

Only write new code when a test fails

Then, eliminate waste

Test-First Rules 2 / 2

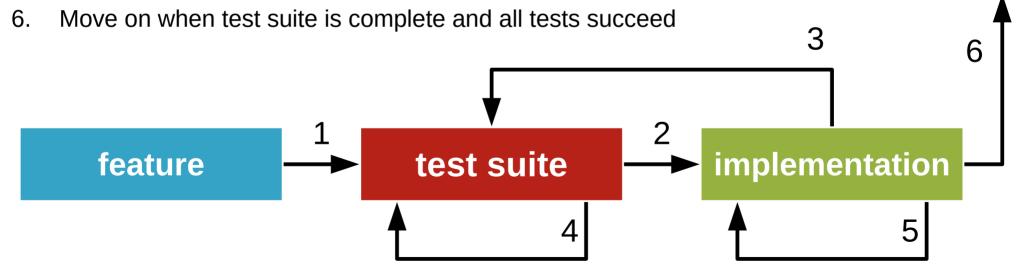
- 1. Red
- 2. Green
- 3. Refactor

Test-driven Development (TDD) 1 / 3

- Test-driven development
 - is a minimal development process based on test-first programming
 - turns feature requests into implementations
- Purpose of test-driven development
 - to grow the product incrementally and steadily
 - to be able to release after every feature implementation

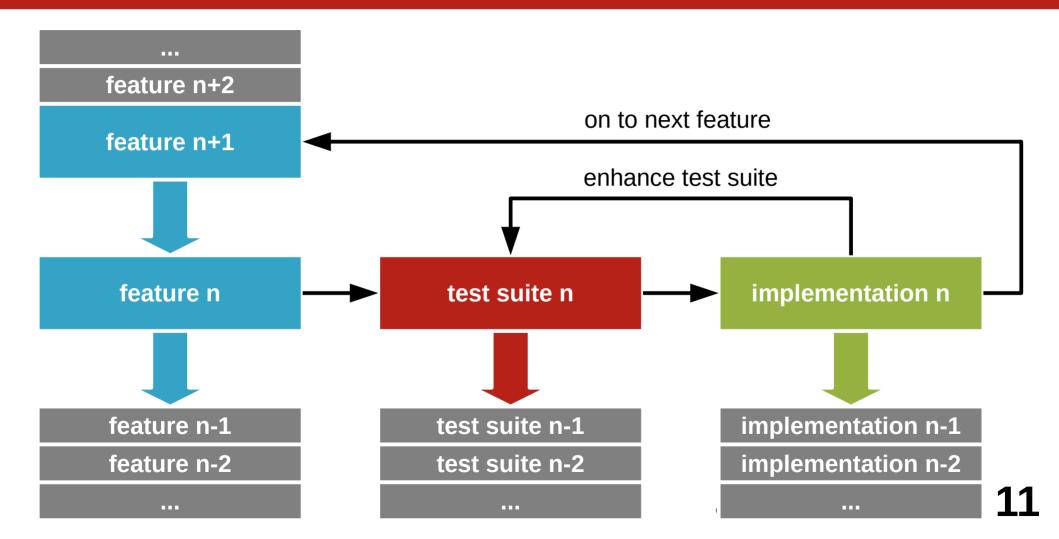
Test-driven Development 2/3

- 1. Translate partial or full feature description into test suite
- 2. Implement feature to fulfill ("green-bar") test suite
- 3. Revise test suite from new insights
- 4. Refactor test suite to keep design and code clean
- 5. Refactor implementation to keep design and code clean



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Review / Summary of Session

- Tests and testing
 - The basics of it
- Test-first programming
 - What it is, the rhythm of it
- Test-driven development
 - How this simplest of all process works

Thank you! Questions?

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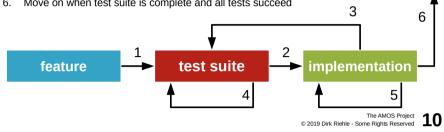
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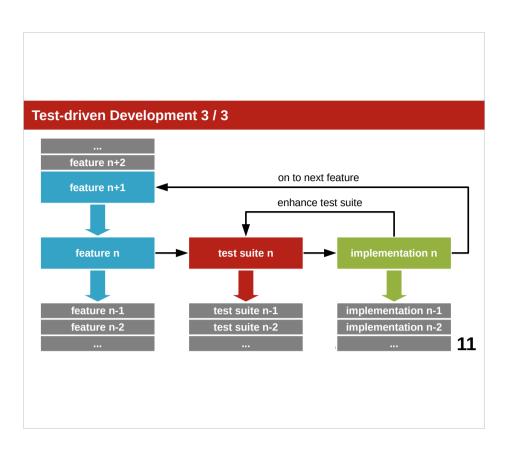
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- 6. Move on when test suite is complete and all tests succeed





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