

Refactoring legacy code driven by tests

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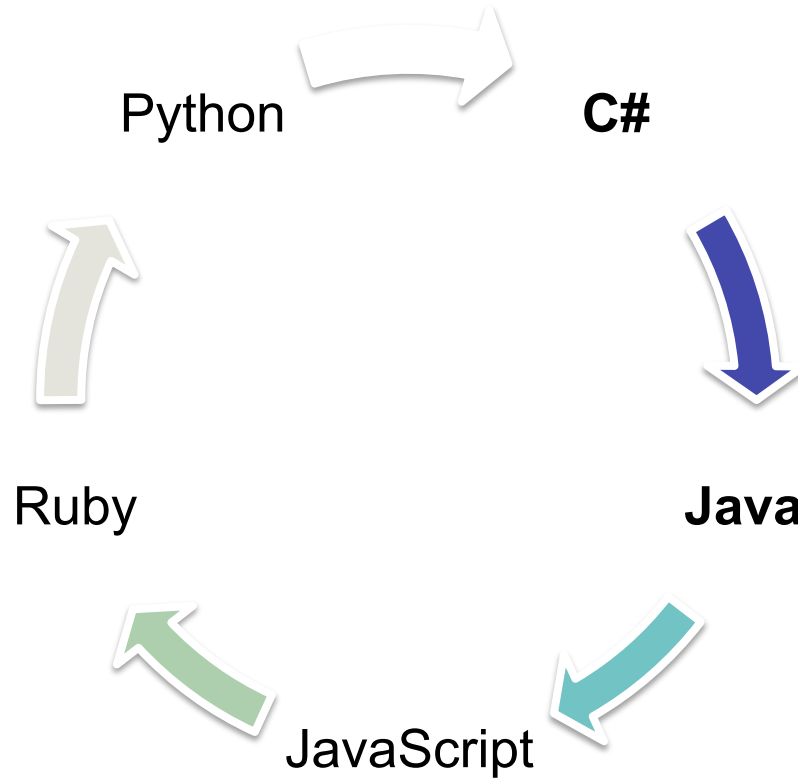


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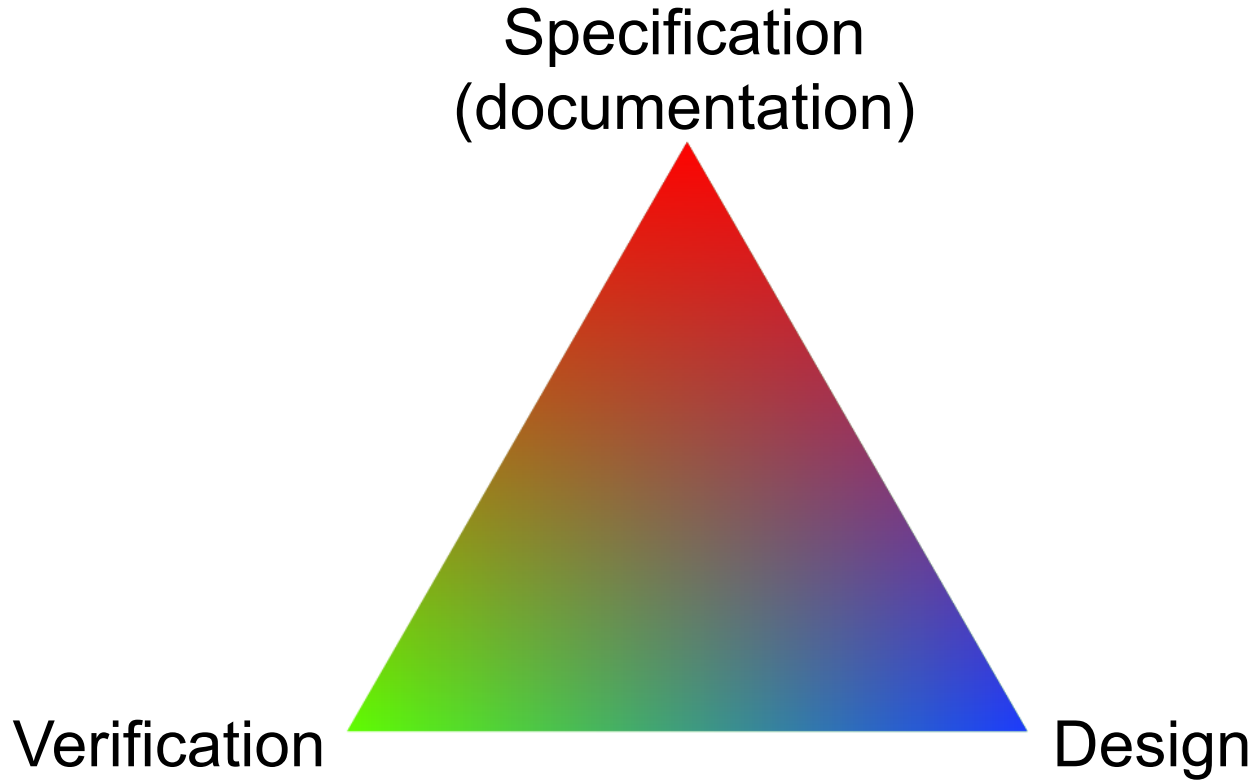


Let's clarify the scope of this Workshop

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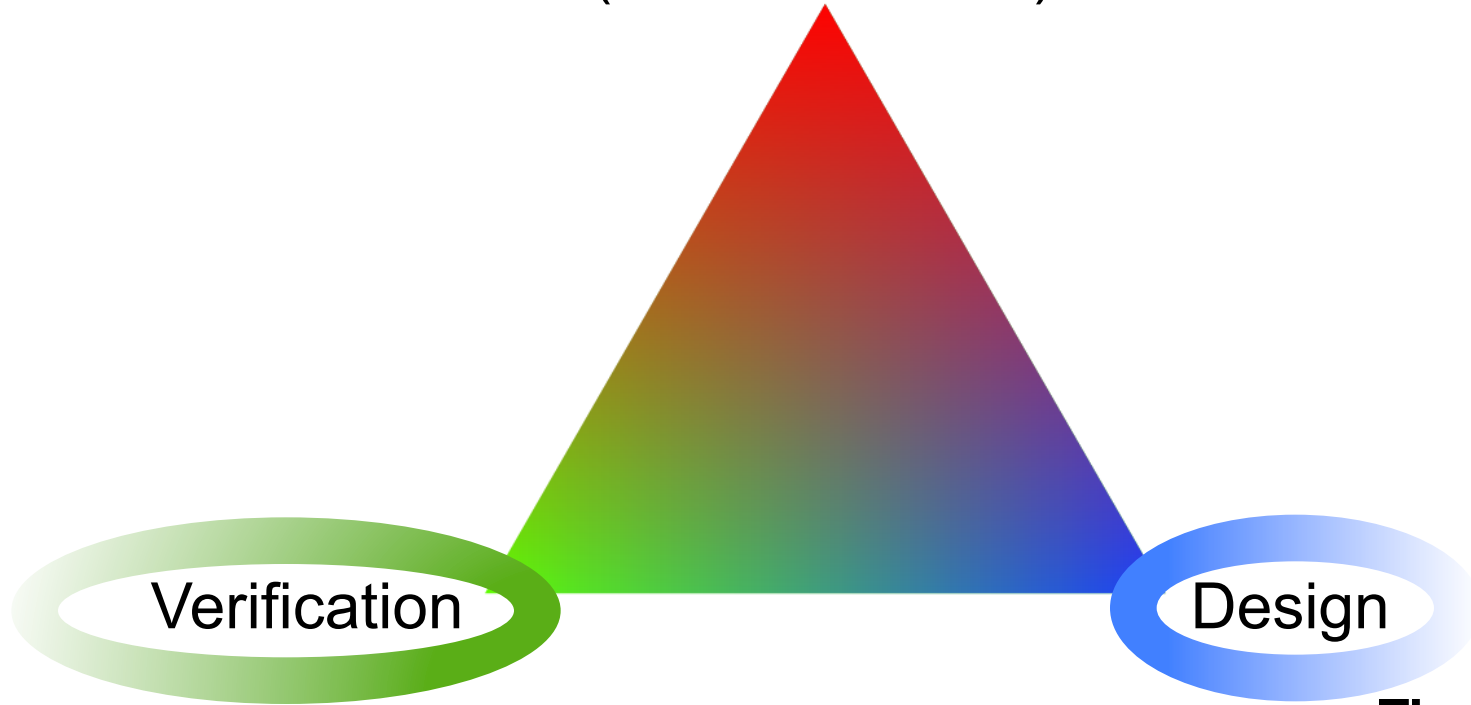


Automatic Testing Continuum



Scope of this workshop

Specification
(documentation)



Types of Automatic Tests

End-to-end, out-of-process, business facing



Unit, in-process, technology facing

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Sensor class:

simulates the behavior of a real tire sensor, providing random but realistic values.

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Extra credits:

Alarm class fails to follow one or more of the SOLID principles. Write down the line number, the principle & the violation.

The SOLID acronym

S	single responsibility	principle
O	open closed	principle
L	Liskov substitution	principle
I	interface segregation	principle
D	dependency inversion	principle

Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

Martin Fowler's definition:

a) High level modules should not depend upon low level modules, both should depend upon abstractions.

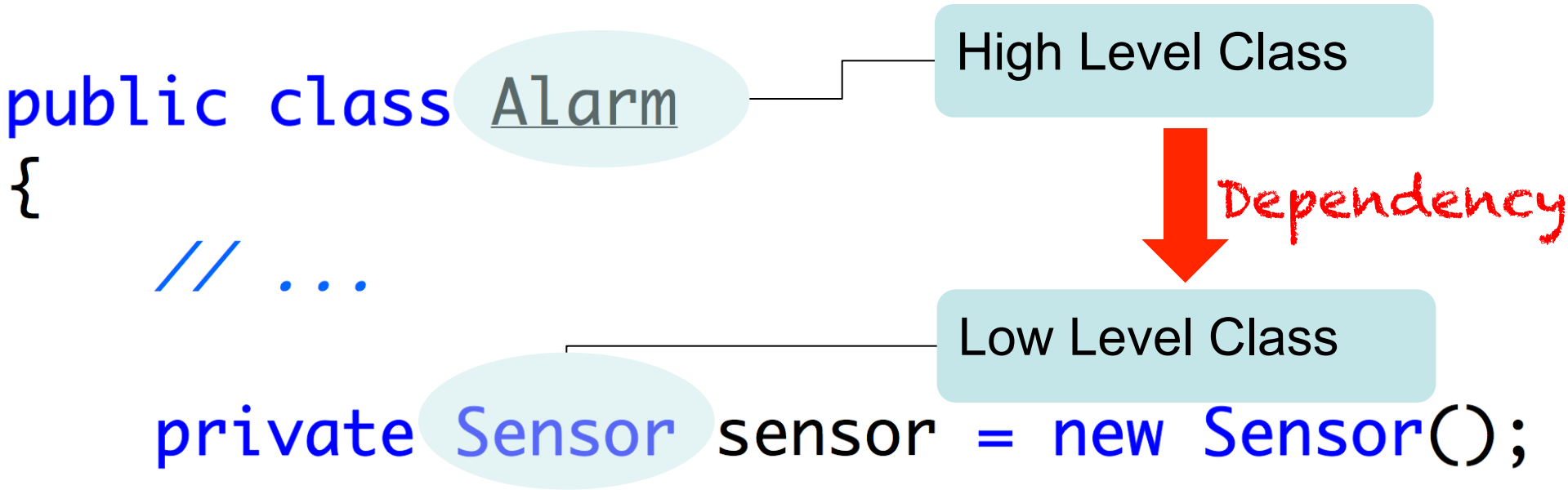
b) Abstractions should not depend upon details, details should depend upon abstractions.

Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

Both low level classes and high level classes should depend on abstractions.

High level classes should not depend on low level classes.

DIP Violation In Example Code



Open Closed Principle (OCP)

Bertrand Meyer's definition:

Software entities (classes, modules, functions, etc.) should be open for extension, but closed for modification.

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Classes and methods should be
open for extensions
&
strategically closed for modification.

So that the behavior can be changed and extended adding
new code instead of changing the class.

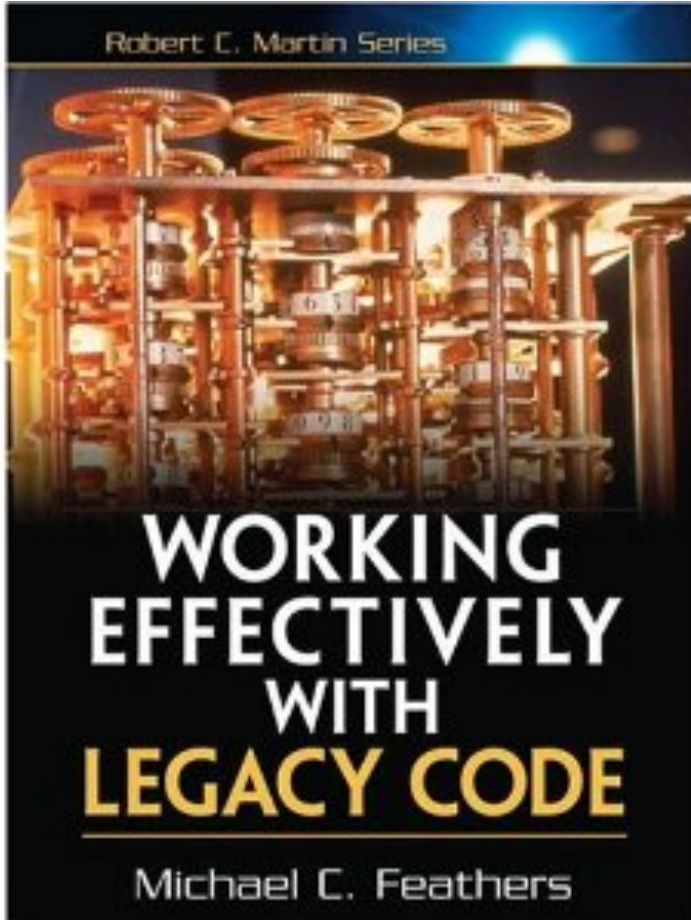
OCP Violation In Example Code

```
public class Alarm  
{  
    // ...
```

```
    private Sensor sensor = new Sensor();
```

Want to use a new type of sensor?
Must modify code; cannot extend it

Reference: WELC



- * Parametrize Constructor
- * Extract Interface

Exercise 2: Unicode File To Htm Text Converter

UnicodeFileToHtmTextConverter class:

formats a plain text file for display in a browser.

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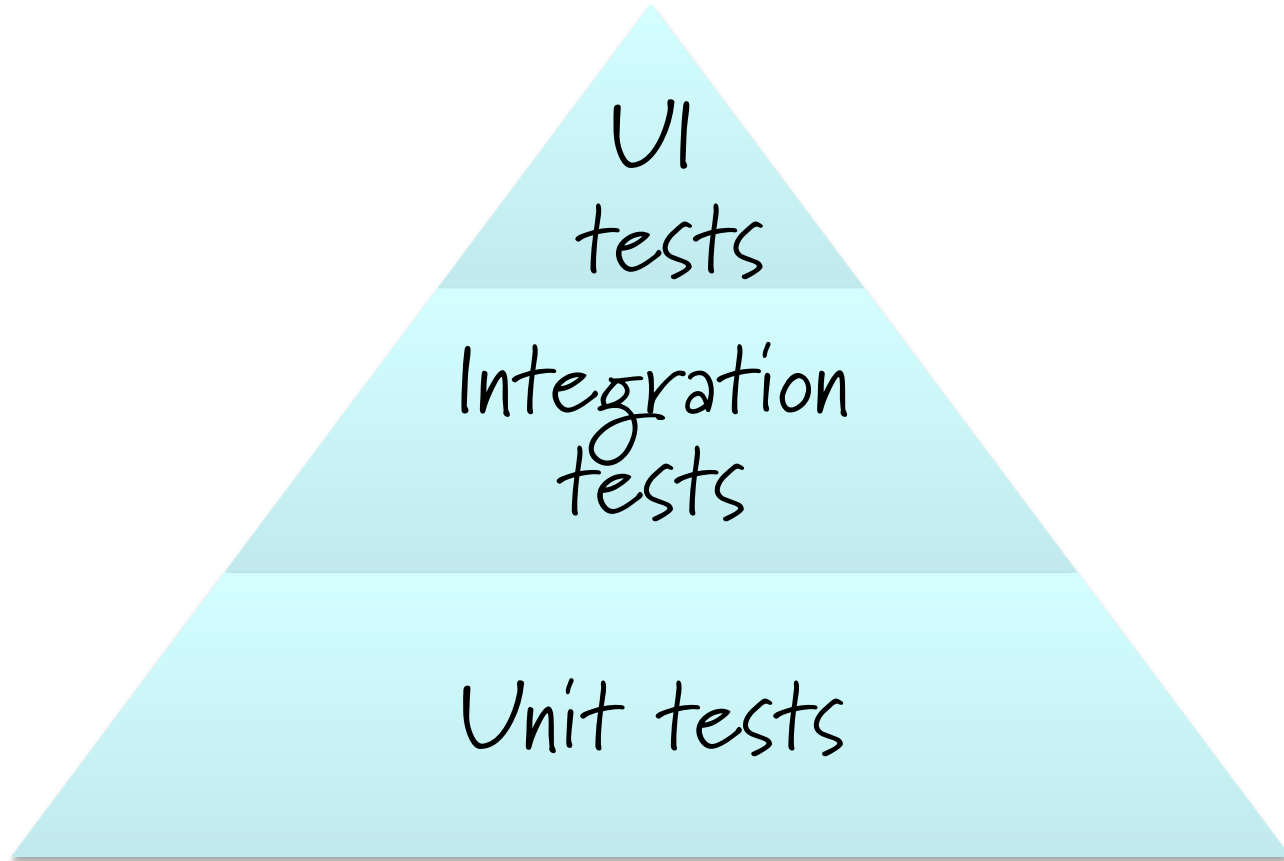
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Feathers' rules of thumb. Extended !

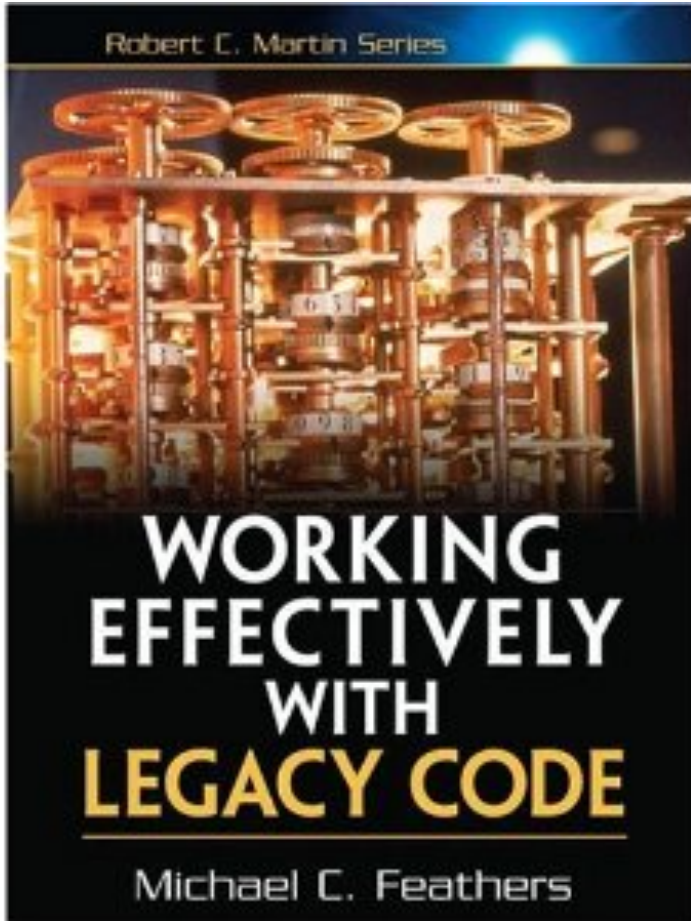
A test is not a unit test when:

- ✦ It talks to the database
- ✦ It communicates across the network
- ✦ It touches the file system or reads config info
- ✦ It uses `DateTime.now()` or `Random`
- ✦ It depends on non-deterministic behavior
- ✦ It can't run at the same time as any of your other unit tests
- ✦ You have to do special things to your environment (such as editing config files) to run it.

Mike Cohn's Test Pyramid. Explained !



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- ✧ Parametrize Constructor
- ✧ Extract Interface
- ✧ Skin and Wrap the API

Refactoring and TDD

```
public string ConvertToHtml()  
{  
    using (TextReader unicodeFileStream = File.OpenText(_fullFilenameWithPath))  
    {  
        string html = string.Empty;  
  
        string line = unicodeFileStream.ReadLine();  
  
        // ... conversion details omitted  
  
        return html;  
    }  
}
```

Should we inject this dependency?

Behavior of TextReader

TextReader documentation from MSDN

are discarded. Because the position of the reader in the stream cannot be changed, the characters that were already read are

Non-idempotent behavior

```
public UnicodeFileToHtmlTextConverter(IUnicodeTextSource textSource)
{
    _textSource = textSource;
}
```

```
public string ConvertToHtml()
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    using (TextReader unicodeFileStream = _textSource.GetTextReader())
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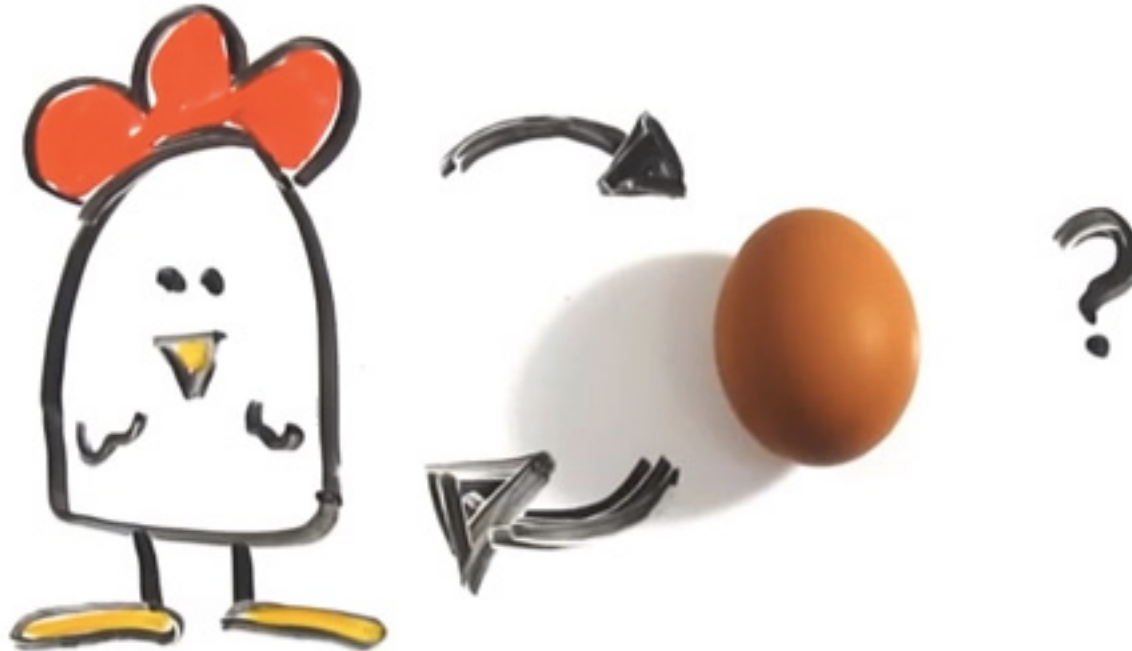
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Dependency injection and
idempotent behavior

Refactoring and TDD



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TicketDispenser class:

manages a queuing system in a shop.

There may be more than one ticket dispenser but the same ticket should not be issued to two different customers.

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TurnTicket class:

represent the ticket with the turn number.

TurnNumberSequence class:

returns the sequence of turn numbers.

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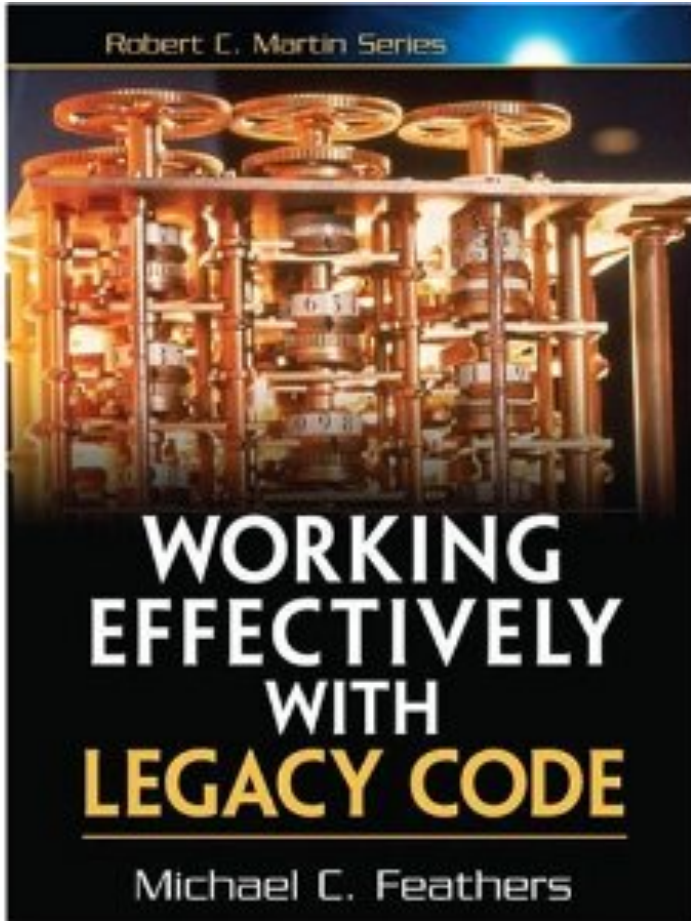
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Extra credits:

TicketDispenser class fails to follow one or more of the OO and SOLID principles. Write down the line number, the principle & the violation.

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- * Parametrize Constructor
- * Extract Interface
- * Skin and Wrap the API
- * Introduce Instance Delegator
- * ...

Exercise 4: Telemetry System

TelemetryDiagnosticControl class:

establishes a connection to the telemetry server through the TelemetryClient,
sends a diagnostic request and receives the response with diagnostic info.

TelemetryClient class:

simulates the communication with the Telemetry Server, sends requests and then receives and returns the responses

Exercise 4: Telemetry System

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Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

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There should never be more than one reason for a class to change.

A class should have one and only one responsibility.

Interface Segregation Principle (IRP)

Clients should not be forced to depend upon interfaces that they do not use.

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Clients should not be forced to depend upon interface members that they don't use.

Interfaces that serve only one scope should be preferred over fat interfaces.

Reference: SRP

<http://www.objectmentor.com/resources/articles/srp.pdf>

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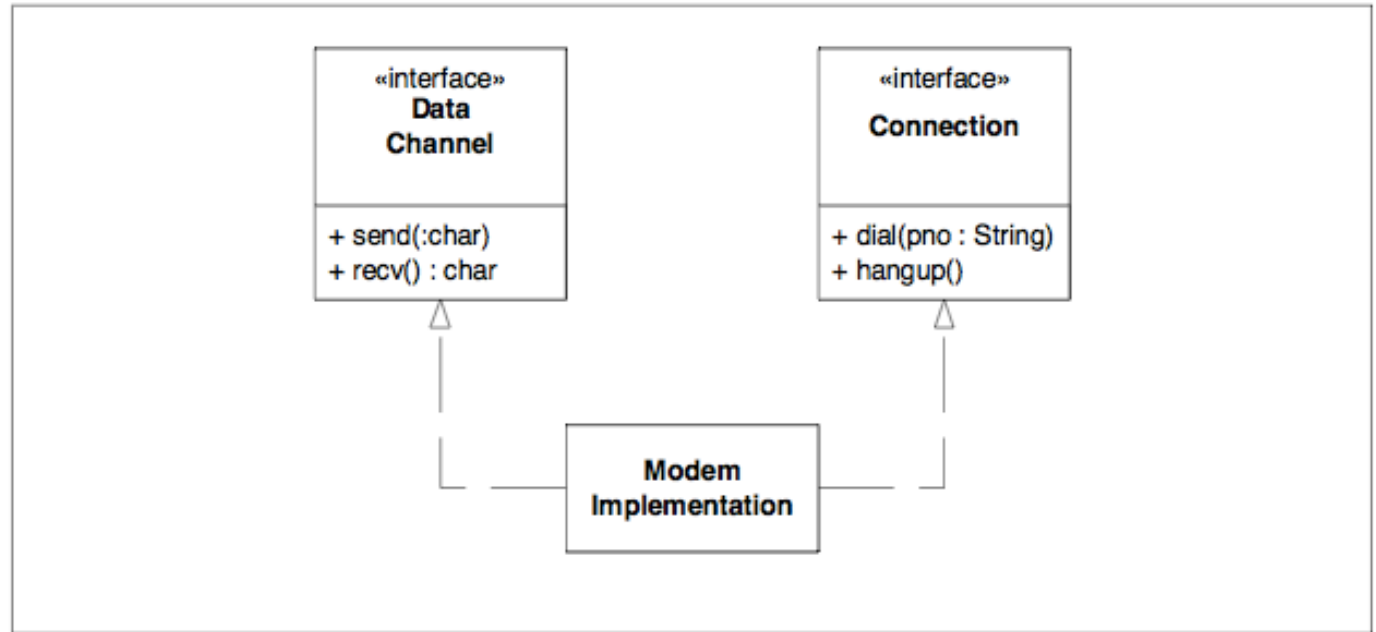


Figure 9-3
Separated Modem Interface

Synergy between testing and design

Michael Feathers:

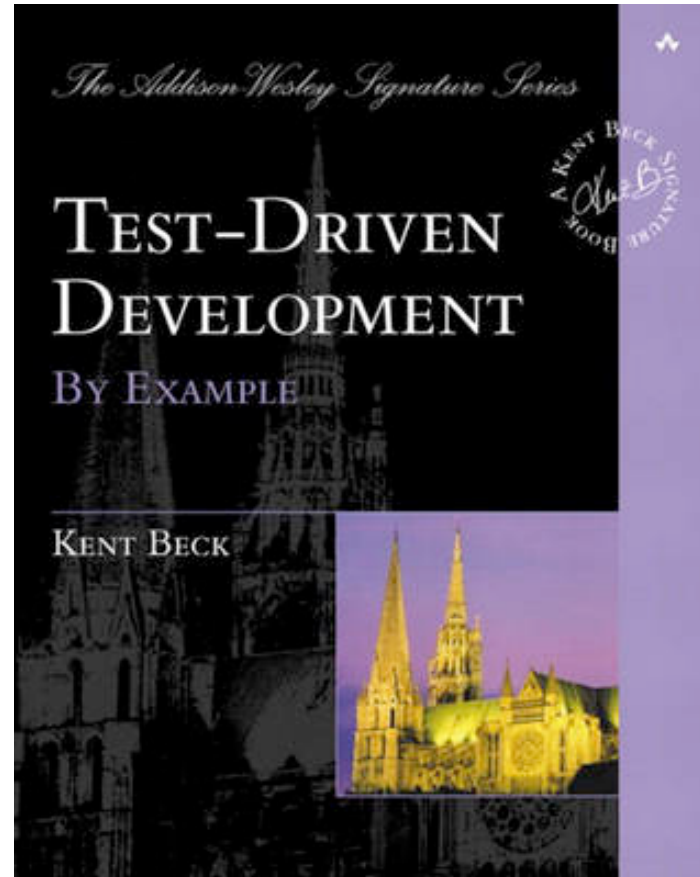
writing tests is another way to look the code and locally understand it and reuse it, and that is the same goal of good OO design.

This is the reason for the deep synergy between testability and good design.

Other testing strategies for legacy code

- ✦ Start with other tests
- ✦ Use an automatic refactoring tool
- ✦ Strangler pattern
- ✦ DDD anti-corruption layer

More references



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Endo-Testing: Unit Testing with Mock Objects

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Abstract

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We propose a technique called Endo-Testing, which emulates the behavior of the code which they test from inside the code. Writing code stubs with two interfaces is usual, and we use our tests to verify the behavior of the code.

Our experience is that developing a better structure of both domain and regular format that gives the developer a better way to make it easier to achieve this. We have found that writing stub code is a cost of writing stub code.

In this paper, we first describe the benefits and costs of Mock Objects, then we describe a brief pattern for using Mock Objects.

2 Unit testing with Mock Objects

An essential aspect of unit testing is that you are testing and where any change is simply and clearly as possible.

Mock Roles, not Objects

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ABSTRACT

Mock Objects is an extension to Test-Driven Development that supports good Object-Oriented design. It is a coherent system of types within a class library, which is as interesting as a technique for isolating libraries than is widely thought. This paper describes using Mock Objects with an extended version of Test-Driven Development, and worst practices gained from experience. It also introduces JMock, a Java library for Mock Objects, based on our collective experience.

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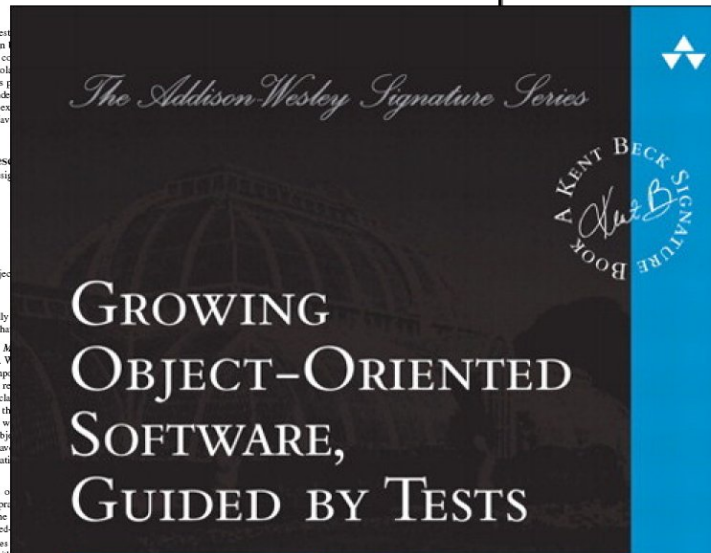
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In [10] we introduced the concept of Mock Objects to support Test-Driven Development. We have better structured tests and, more importantly, we have preserved encapsulation, reducing the interactions between classes. We have refined and adjusted the experience since then. In particular, we have found the most important benefit of Mock Objects is called "interface discovery". We have a framework to support dynamic generation of Mock Objects on this experience.

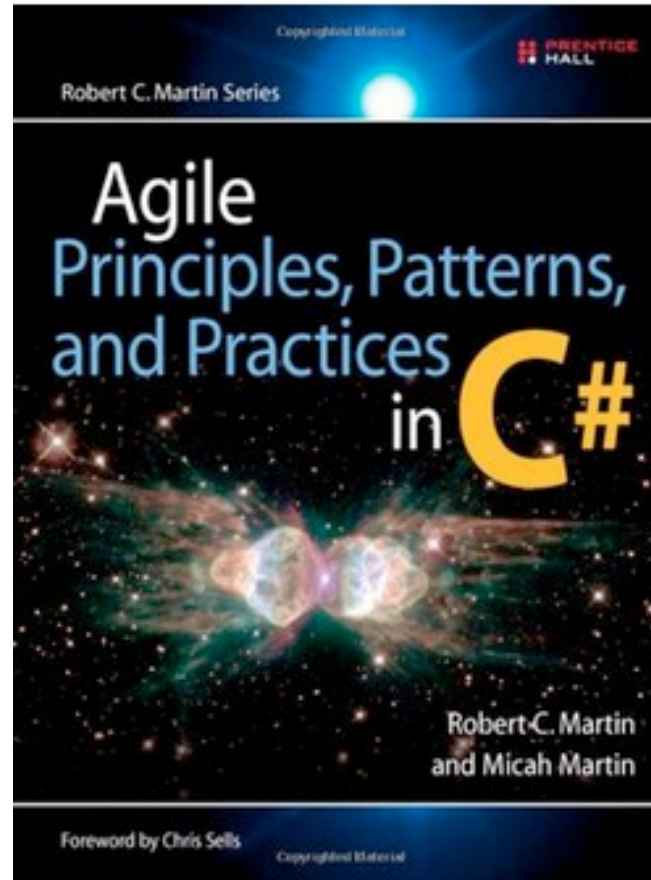
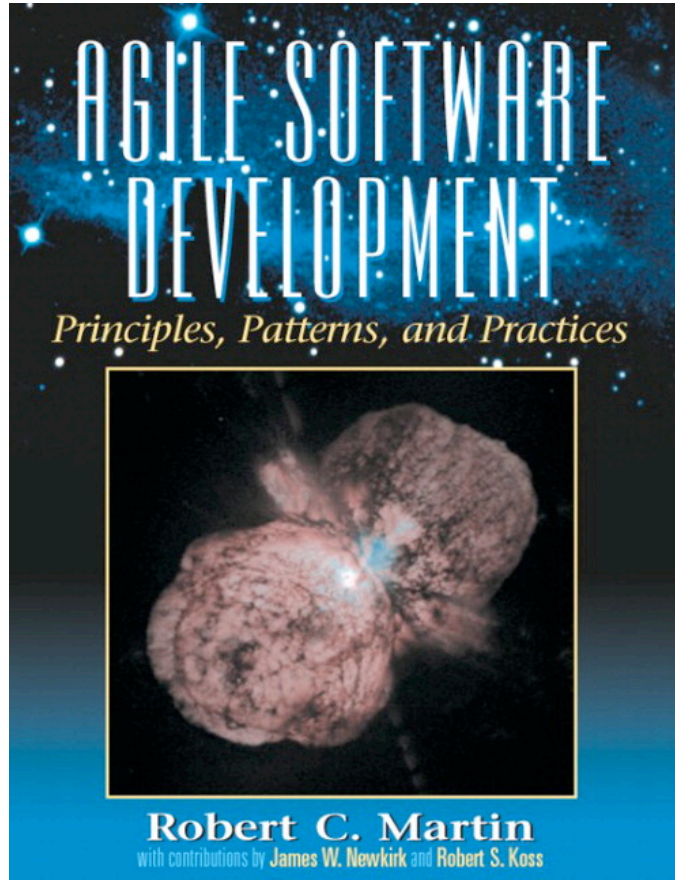
The rest of this section establishes the context of Test-Driven Development and good programming, and then introduces the rest of the paper introduces the concept of Mock Objects.

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