CS1632: Test-Driven Development

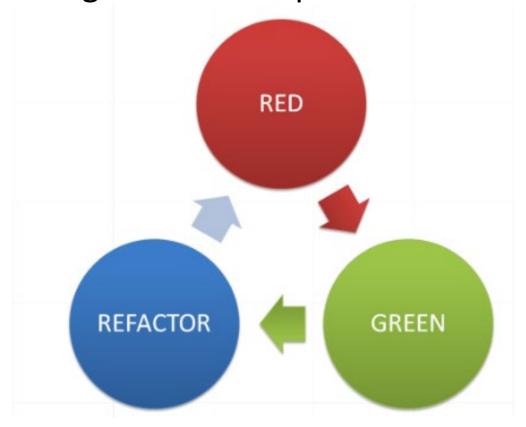
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TDD (Test-Driven Development)

- TDD comprises of:
 - Writing a test BEFORE writing the code
 - Writing ONLY code to pass the test, before writing the next test
- It's a development methodology meant for developers
 - Developers are expected to participate actively in software QA nowadays
 - Software QA is an integral part of the development process
- The "test" here means unit test TDD is synonymous with UTDD
 - UTDD: Unit Test-Driven Development
 - Code is tested and written one method at a time

The Red-Green-Refactor Loop

TDD is performed using the RGR Loop:



The Red-Green-Refactor Loop

- Red Write a test for a new behavior
 - Test should immediately fail! (Hence the Red)

- Green Write only enough code to make the test pass
 - Now the test should pass. (Hence the Green)

Refactor – Review code and make it better

What is Refactoring?

- Even if your code is defect-free, it may not be perfect
 - Poor algorithm choice?
 - Bad variable names?
 - Poor performance?
 - Badly documented?
 - Magic numbers?
 - Not easily comprehensible?
 - General bad design?
- Refactoring: improving code without changing its functionality

Fizzbuzzin' With TDD

- Requirements:
 - App shall print numbers from 1 to 100 delimited by spaces.
 - If number is a multiple of 3, app shall print "Fizz" instead.
 - If number is a multiple of 5, app shall print "Buzz" instead.
 - If number is a multiple of 3 and 5, app shall print "FizzBuzz" instead.
 - If number is neither a multiple of 3 and 5, app shall print the actual number.

• Example output: 1 2 Fizz 4 Buzz Fizz 7 8 Fizz Buzz ...

Red - Start by adding a new test

```
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
}
// Code
public String value(int n) {
   return "";
}
```

Red – Which fails



Green - Write code to make test pass

```
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
}
// Code
public String value(int n) {
   return "1";
}
```

Green – Test passes!

```
@Test
public void testNumber()
  assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code
public String value(int n) {
  return "1";
```

Refactor – Nothing to do

```
@Test
public void testNumber() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
                                   Well I caught it
// Code
public String value(int n)
  return "1";
                                     Now what?
```

Red – Well, let's Add Another Test for "2"

```
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code
public String value(int n) {
  return "1";
```

Red – Which fails (again)



Green - Let's Make Another Change

```
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber()
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code
public String value(int n) {
  if (n == 1)
   return "1";
    else
   return "2";
```

Green – Tests pass once more!

```
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code
public String value(int n) {
  if (n == 1) {
    return "1";
     else
    return "2";
```



Refactor – Much Nicer and Tests Still Pass!

```
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code
public String value(int n) {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```

Red – Add another test for "3", which fails

```
@Test
public void testNumber3() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(3), "Fizz");
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber()
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code, omitted for brevity
```

Green – Add fizzy code to make test pass!

```
private boolean fizzy(int n) {
  return (n % 3 == 0);
public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```

Green – Test suite passes again!

```
private boolean fizzy(int n) {
  return (n % 3 == 0);
public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```



Refactor – Nothing to do here

```
private boolean fizzy(int n) {
  return (n % 3 == 0);
public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```

Red – Let's add a test for buzziness (fails)

```
@Test
public void testNumber5() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(5), "Buzz");
@Test
public void testNumber3() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(3), "Fizz");
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber()
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
// Code, omitted for brevity
```

Green – Add buzzy code to make test pass!

```
private boolean buzzy(int n) {
   return (n % 5 == 0);
public String value(int n) {
   if (fizzy(n)) {
     return "Fizz";
   } else if (buzzy(n)) {
     return "Buzz";
    else {
     return String.valueOf(n);
```

Green – Now all tests pass once more!

```
private boolean buzzy(int n) {
   return (n % 5 == 0);
public String value(int n) {
   if (fizzy(n)) {
     return "Fizz";
   } else if (buzzy(n)) {
     return "Buzz";
    else {
     return String.valueOf(n);
```



Red - The final equivalence class "FizzBuzz"

```
@Test
public void testNumber15() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(15), "FizzBuzz");
@Test
public void testNumber5() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(5), "Buzz");
@Test
public void testNumber3() {
  assertEquals(fb.value(3), "Fizz");
@Test
public void testNumber2() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(2), "2");
@Test
public void testNumber() {
   assertEquals(fb.value(1), "1");
```

Green – Add code to make input 15 pass too!

```
public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n) && buzzy(n)) {
   return "FizzBuzz";
  } else if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else if (buzzy(n)) {
   return "Buzz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```

Green – We are back to a happy place

```
public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n) && buzzy(n)) {
   return "FizzBuzz";
  } else if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else if (buzzy(n)) {
   return "Buzz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```

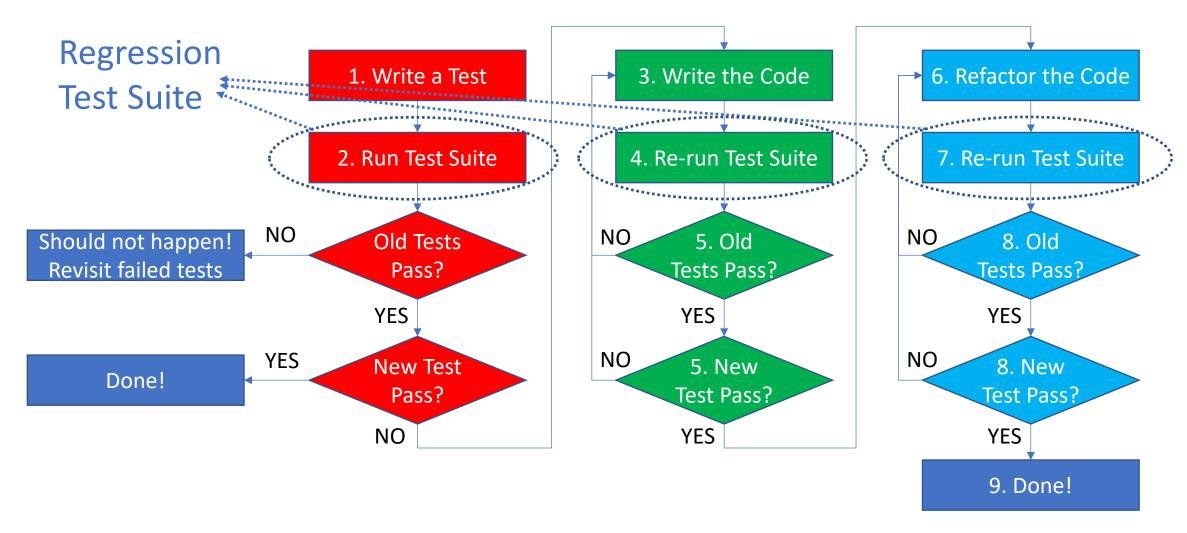


Refactor – Nothing to do

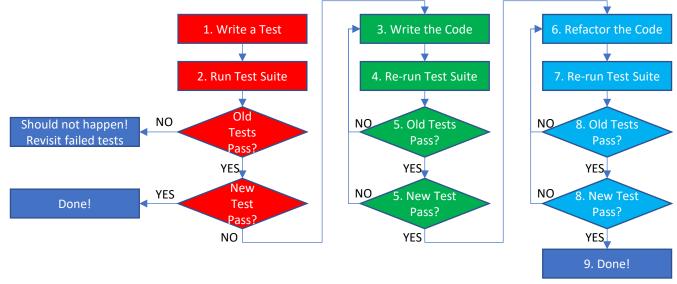
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public String value(int n) {
  if (fizzy(n) && buzzy(n)) {
   return "FizzBuzz";
  } else if (fizzy(n)) {
   return "Fizz";
  } else if (buzzy(n)) {
   return "Buzz";
  } else {
   return String.valueOf(n);
```



Flow Chart of Red-Green-Refactor Loop



Flow Chart of Red-Green-Refactor Loop



- Write one test at a time to test one behavior
 - Keep a tight turnaround cycle!
- Write just enough code to pass test
 - Resist temptation to go into untested territory
- Refactor at every iteration
 - Focus on correctness in Green phase; focus on improvement in Refactor phase

Do not Write Code Beyond the Test

- Some jingles to curb your enthusiasm ...
- YAGNI You Ain't Gonna Need It
 - If you are not testing it, that means you don't need it right now
 - If you don't need it now, chances are you do won't need it in the future
- KISS Keep It Simple, Smarty-pants
 - Don't write clever, over-engineered code unless tests call for it
 - It just makes it harder to understand and modify later
 - "Premature optimization is the root of all evil" Donald Knuth

Benefits of TDD

- 1. Development is driven by requirements
 - Requirements drives → Testing drives → Development
 - End-result: all coding effort is tightly bound to the requirements
- 2. 100% test coverage all the time
 - Test to cover code is written before implementing the code
 - End-result: defects are caught immediately as they are introduced
- 3. Ensures development happens in small increments
 - Only code sufficient to pass the next test is written at a time
 - End-result: easy to debug since you only need to look at that small increment

Drawbacks of TDD

- 1. Tests become part of the overhead of the project
 - In terms of maintenance: test code is also code you need to maintain
 - In terms of testing time: sheer testing time slows down RGR loop
- 2. Hard to do large, complex architectural designs / redesigns
 - TDD keeps you short-sighted; you need long-term thinking for a good design
 - Some things just aren't feasible to do in small steps

Now Please Read Textbook Chapter 15

- For an alternative view on TDD read the following:
 - "TDD is dead. Long live testing." David Heinemeier Hansson: https://dhh.dk/2014/tdd-is-dead-long-live-testing.html
 - Warning on being dogmatic about TDD
 - Like everything else in software QA, TDD is a tool not a religion