

# [IF977] Engenharia de Software

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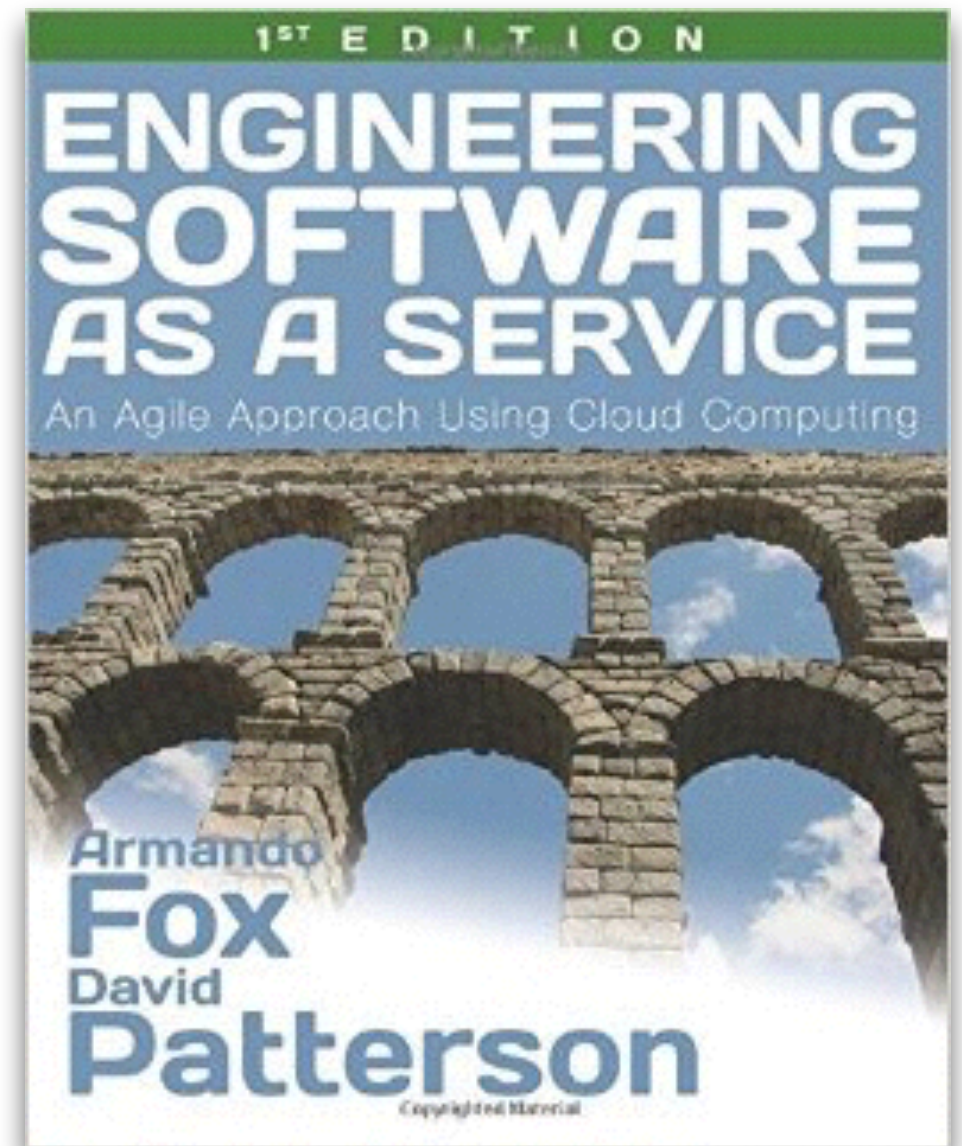
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# Referências

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- Continuous Delivery
  - <https://continuousdelivery.com>
- A biblioteca do Desenvolvedor de Software dos dias de hoje
  - <http://bit.ly/TDOA5L>
- SWEBOK
  - Guide to the Software Engineering Body of Knowledge (SWEBOK): <http://www.computer.org/web/swebok>
- Engineering Software as a Service: An Agile Approach Using Cloud Computing (Beta Edition)
  - <http://www.saasbook.info/>

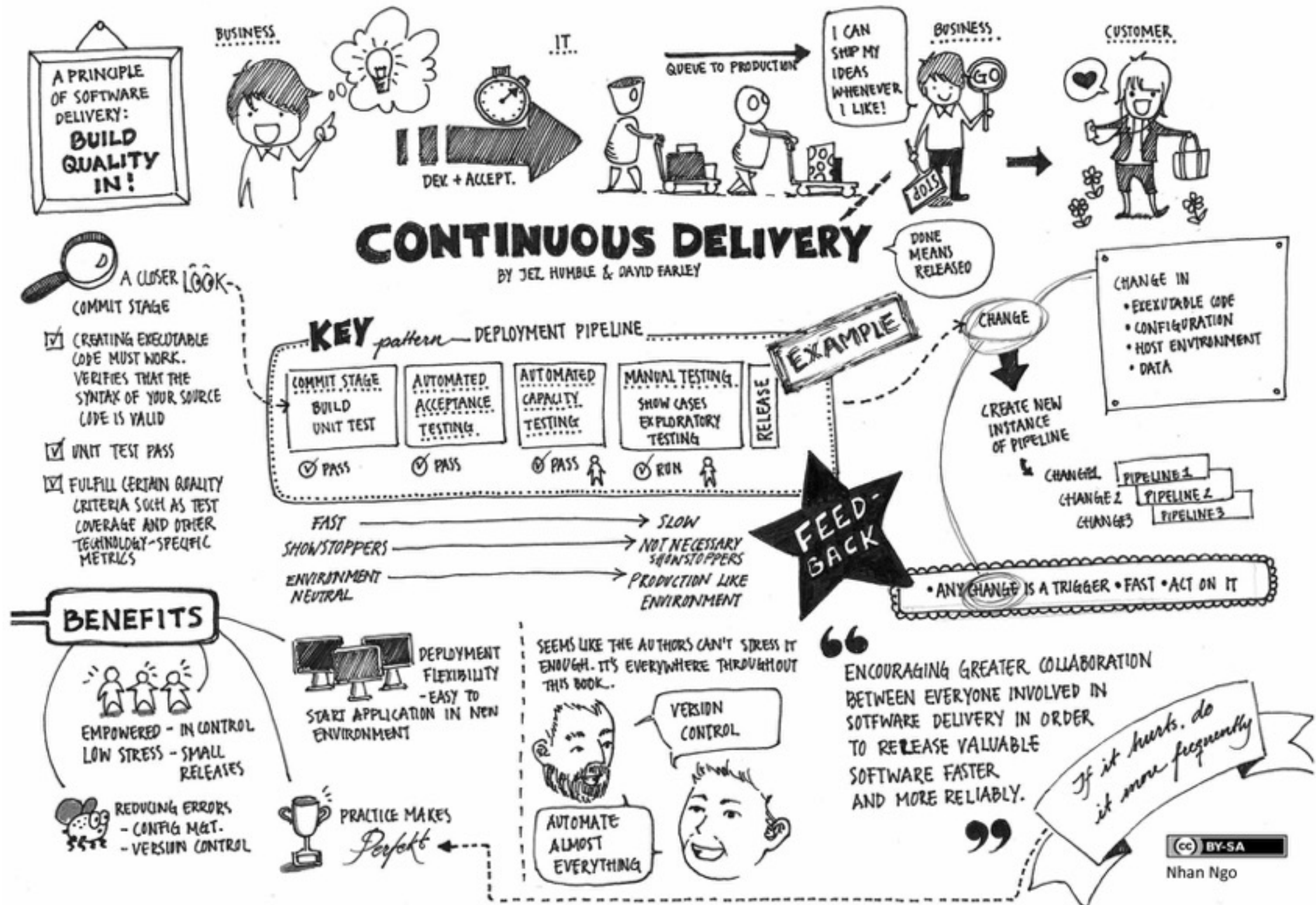






## Releases Then and Now: Windows 95 Launch Party





# Continuous Integration & Continuous Deployment

(ESaaS §12.3)

# Releases Then and Now

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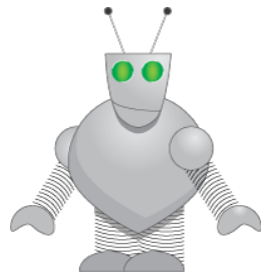
- Facebook: master branch pushed once a week, aiming for once a day (Bobby Johnson, Dir. of Eng., in late 2011)
- Amazon: several deploys per week
- StackOverflow: multiple deploys per day (Jeff Atwood, co-founder)
- GitHub: tens of deploys per day (Zach Holman)
- Rationale: risk == # of engineer-hours invested in product since last deploy!

Like development and feature check-in, deployment should be a **non-event** that happens all the time

# Successful Deployment

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- **Automation: consistent deploy process**
  - PaaS sites like Heroku, CloudFoundry already do this
  - Use tools like Capistrano for self-hosted sites
- **Continuous integration: integration-testing the app beyond what each developer does**
  - Pre-release code checkin triggers CI
  - Since frequent checkins, CI always running
  - Common strategy: integrate with GitHub



# Why CI?

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- Differences between dev & production envs
- Cross-browser or cross-version testing
- Testing SOA integration when remote services act wonky
- Hardening: protection against attacks
- Stress testing/longevity testing of new features/code paths
- Example: Salesforce CI runs 150K+ tests and automatically opens bug report when test fails



# Continuous Deployment

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- Push => CI => deploy several times per day
  - deploy may be auto-integrated with CI runs
- So are releases meaningless?
  - Still useful as customer-visible milestones
  - “Tag” specific commits with release names

```
git tag 'happy-hippo' HEAD  
git push --tags
```

- Or just use Git commit ID to identify release

# Quiz

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What Makes Code “Legacy”  
and How Can Agile Help?

(ESaaS §9.1)



# Legacy Code Matters

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- Since maintenance consumes ~60% of software costs, it is probably the most important life cycle phase of software . . .

“Old hardware becomes obsolete; old software goes into production every night.”

Robert Glass, Facts & Fallacies of Software Engineering (fact #41)

- How do we understand and safely modify legacy code?

# Maintenance != bug fixes

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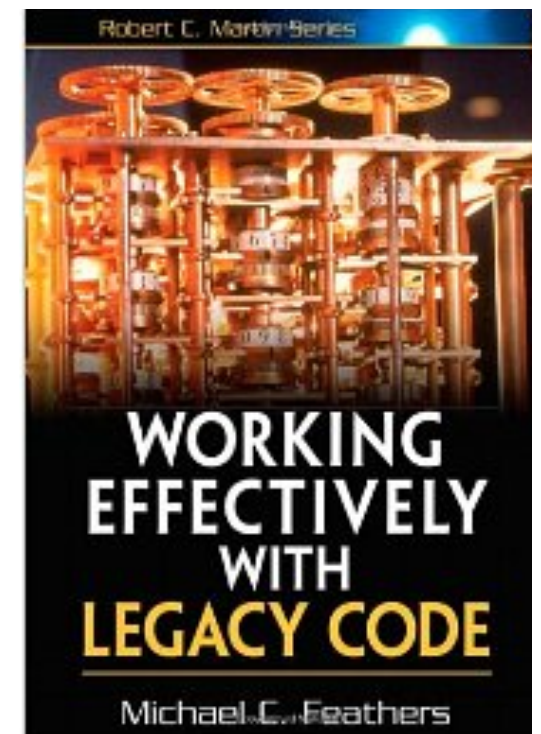
- Enhancements: 60% of maintenance costs
- Bug fixes: 17% of maintenance costs
- Hence the “60/60 rule”:
  - 60% of software cost is maintenance
  - 60% of maintenance cost is enhancements.

Glass, R. **Software Conflict**. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Yourdon Press, 1991

# What makes code “legacy”?

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- Still meets customer need, **AND**:
- You didn't write it, and it's poorly documented
- You did write it, but a long time ago (and it's poorly documented)
- It lacks good tests (regardless of who wrote it) - Feathers 2004



# 2 ways to think about modifying legacy code

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- **Edit & Pray**

- “I kind of think I probably didn’t break anything”



- **Cover & Modify**

- Let test coverage be your safety blanket





# How Agile Can Help

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1. **Exploration**: determine where you need to make changes (*change points*)
2. **Refactoring**: is the code around change points  
(a) tested? (b) testable?
  - (a) is true: good to go
  - !(a) && (b): apply BDD+TDD cycles to improve test coverage
  - !(a) && !(b): **refactor**

# How Agile Can Help, cont.

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3. Add tests to **improve coverage** as needed
  4. **Make changes**, using tests as ground truth
  5. **Refactor** further, to leave codebase better than you found it
- This is “embracing change” on long time scales

“Try to leave this world a little better than you found it.”

Lord Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts

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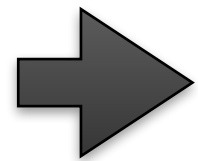
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# FIGHT LEGACY CODE



# WRITE UNIT TESTS

Approaching & Exploring  
Legacy Code

(ESaaS §9.2)

# Get the code running in development

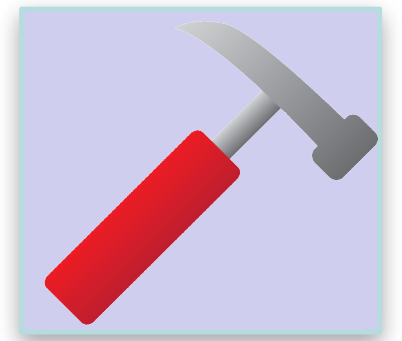
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- Check out a scratch branch that won't be checked back in, and get it to run
  - In a production-like setting or development-like setting
  - Ideally with something resembling a copy of production database
  - Some systems may be too large to clone
- Learn the user stories: Get customer to talk you through what they're doing

# Understand database schema & important classes

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- Inspect database schema  
(`rake db:schema:dump`)
- Create a model interaction diagram  
automatically (`gem install railroady`)  
or manually by code inspection
- What are the main (highly-connected)  
*classes*, their *responsibilities*, and their  
*collaborators*?



# Codebase & “informal” docs

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- Overall codebase gestalt
  - Subjective code quality? (`rake metrics` after installing metric-fu gem, or CodeClimate)
  - Code to test ratio? Codebase size? (`rake stats`)
  - Major models/views/controllers?
  - Cucumber & Rspec tests
- Informal design docs
  - Lo-fi UI mockups and user stories
  - Archived email, newsgroup, internal wiki pages or blog posts, etc. about the project
  - Design review notes (eg Campfire or Basecamp)
  - Commit logs, RDoc documentation



# Codebase & “informal” docs

```
1. # This class calculates the current year given an origin day
2. # supplied by a clock chip.
3. #
4. # Author:: Armando Fox
5. # Copyright:: Copyright(C) 2011 by Armando Fox
6. # License:: Distributed under the BSD License
7. #
8. class DateCalculator
9.   #
10.  # Create a new DateCalculator initialized to the origin year
11.  # * +origin_year+ - days will be calculated from Jan. 1 of this year
12.  #
13.  def initialize(origin_year)
14.    @origin_year = origin_year
15.  end
16.  #
17.  # Returns current year, given days since origin year
18.  # * +days_since_origin+ - number of days elapsed since Jan. 1 of origin year
19.  #
20.  def current_year_from_days(days_since_origin)
21.    return @origin_year
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23. end
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Ruby RDoc Example		RDoc Documentation
<b>Files</b> date_calculator.rb	<b>Classes</b> DateCalculator	<b>Methods</b> current_year_from_days (DateCalculator) new (DateCalculator)

**Class DateCalculator**  
**In:** date\_calculator.rb  
**Parent:** Object

This class calculates the current year given an origin day supplied by a clock chip.

Author: Armando Fox  
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### Methods

current\_year\_from\_days new

### Public Class methods

**new(origin\_year)**  
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### Public Instance methods

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Returns current year, given days since origin year

- days\_since\_origin - number of days elapsed since Jan. 1 of origin year

[Validate]

# Summary: Exploration

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- “Size up” the overall code base
- Identify key classes and relationships
- Identify most important data structures
- Ideally, identify place(s) where change(s) will be needed
- Keep design docs as you go
  - diagrams
  - GitHub wiki
  - comments you insert using RDoc

# Quiz

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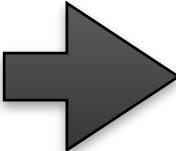
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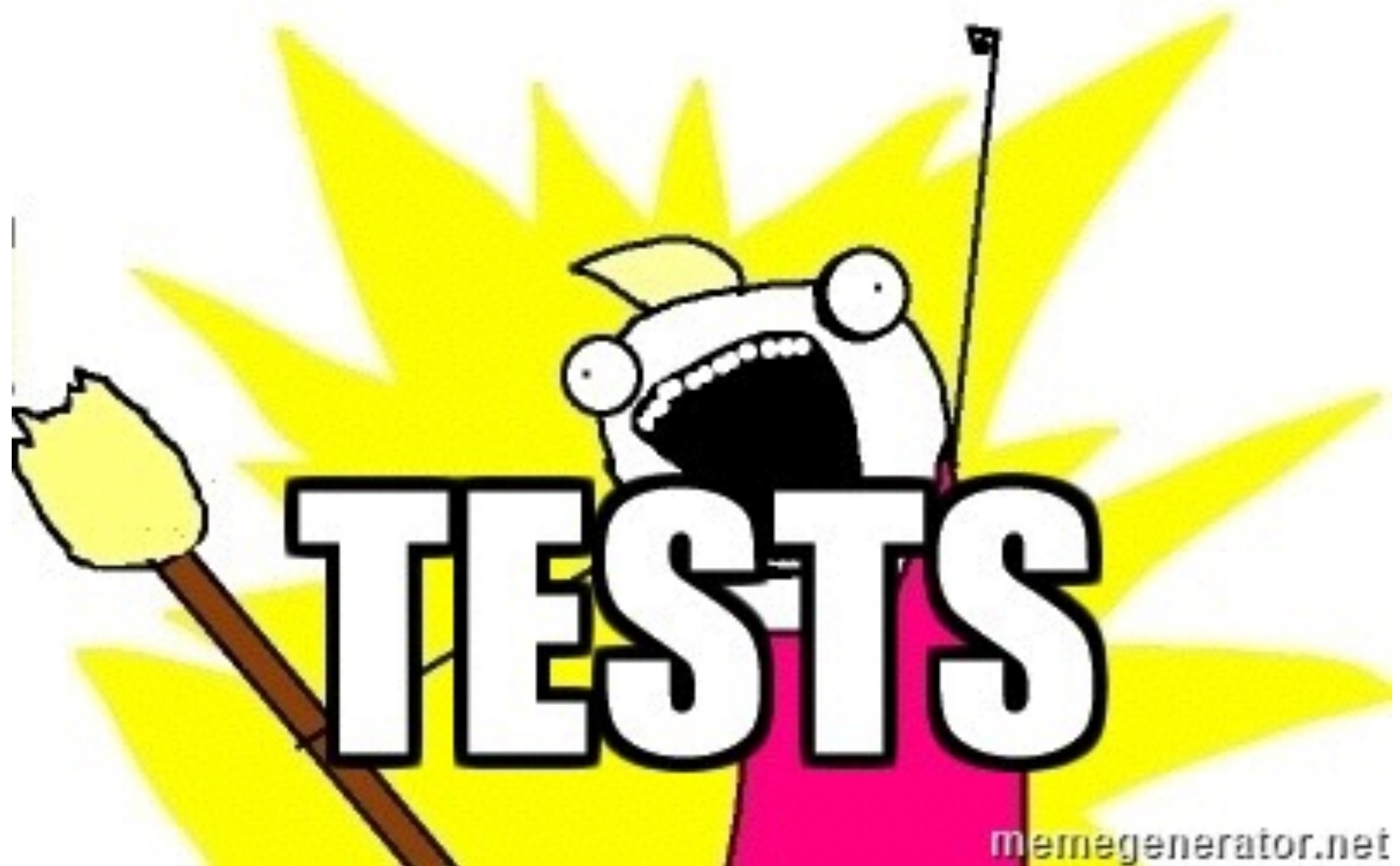
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# CHARACTERIZATION



Establishing Ground Truth  
With Characterisation Tests

(ESaaS §9.3)



# Why?

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- You don't want to write code without tests
- You don't have tests
- You can't create tests without understanding the code
- How do you get started?

# Characterisation Tests

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- Establish ground truth about how the app works today, as basis for coverage
  - Makes known behaviours Repeatable
  - Increase confidence that you're not breaking anything
- **Pitfall: don't try to make improvements at this stage!**

# Integration-Level Characterisation Tests

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- Natural first step: black-box/integration level
  - doesn't rely on understanding app structure
- Use the Cuke, Luke
  - Additional Capybara back-ends like Mechanize make almost everything scriptable
  - Do imperative scenarios now
  - Convert to declarative or improve Given steps later when you understand app internals

# Unit- and Functional-Level Characterization Tests

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Cheat: write tests to learn as you go

<https://vimeo.com/34754876>

```
it "should calculate sales tax" do
  order = mock('order')
  order.compute_tax.should == -99.99
end
# object 'order' received unexpected message 'get_total'
it "should calculate sales tax" do
  order = mock('order', :get_total => 100.00)
  order.compute_tax.should == -99.99
end
# expected compute_tax to be -99.99, was 8.45
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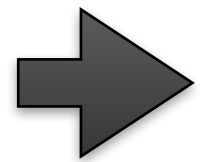
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# Intro to Method-Level Refactoring

# Quantitative: Metrics

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Metric	Tool	Target score
Code-to-test ratio	rake stats	$\leq 1:2$
C0 (statement) coverage	SimpleCov	90%+
Assignment-Branch-Condition score	flog	< 20 per method
Cyclomatic complexity	saikuro	< 10 per method (NIST)

- “Hotspots”: places where multiple metrics raise red flags
  - use **metric\_fu** gem
  - or use *CodeClimate!*
- Take metrics with a grain of salt
  - Like coverage, better for *identifying where improvement is needed* than for *signing off*

# Qualitative: Code Smells

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- **SOFA** captures symptoms that often indicate code smells:
  - Be **s**hort
  - Do **o**ne thing
  - Have **f**ew arguments
  - Consistent level of **a**bstraction
- *CodeClimate* runs both *qualitative & quantitative* metrics

# Single Level of Abstraction

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- Complex tasks need divide & conquer
  - or: *Code should tell a story*
  - Like a news story, should read “top down”!
- Yellow flag for “encapsulate this task in a method”:
  - line N of function says what to do
  - but line N+1 says *how to* do something
- Example: encourage customers to opt in

# Refactoring: Idea

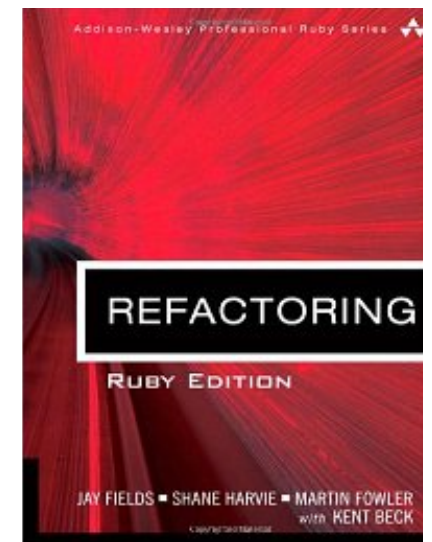
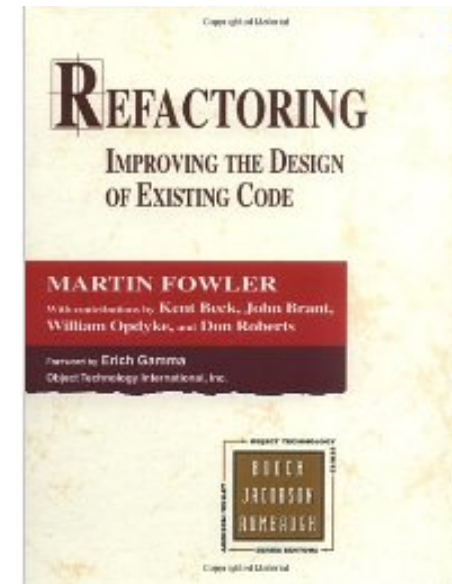
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- Start with code that has 1 or more problems/smells
- Through a series of *small steps*, transform to code from which those smells are absent
- Protect each step with tests
- *Minimize time during which tests are red*

# History & Context

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- Fowler et al. developed mostly definitive catalog of refactorings
  - Adapted to various languages
  - Method- and class-level refactorings
- Each refactoring consists of:
  - Name
  - Summary of what it does/when to use
  - Motivation (what problem it solves)
  - Mechanics: step-by-step recipe
  - Example(s)






# Refactoring TimeSetter

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- Fix stupid names <http://pastebin.com/gtQ7QcHu>
- Extract method <http://pastebin.com/pYCfMQJp>
- Extract method, encapsulate class <http://pastebin.com/sXVDW9C6>
- Test extracted methods <http://pastebin.com/yrmyVd7R>
- Some thoughts on unit testing <http://pastebin.com/vNw66mn9>
  - Glass-box testing can be useful while refactoring
  - Common approach: test critical values and representative noncritical values



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
REFACTOR  
CODE**

Wrapup of Refactoring  
example

# What did we do?

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- Made date calculator easier to read and understand using simple *refactorings*
- Found a bug
- Observation: if we had developed method using TDD, might have gone easier!
- Improved our **flog** & **reek** scores

# Other Smells & Remedies

Smell	Refactoring that may resolve it
Large class	Extract class, subclass or module
Long method	<b>Decompose conditional</b> Replace loop with collection method <b>Extract method</b> Extract enclosing method with <code>yield()</code> Replace temp variable with query Replace method with object
Long parameter list/data clump	Replace parameter with method call Extract class
Shotgun surgery; Inappropriate intimacy	Move method/move field to collect related items into one DRY place
Too many comments	Extract method introduce assertion replace with internal documentation
Inconsistent level of abstraction	<b>Extract methods &amp; classes</b>

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Legacy Code & Refactoring:  
Reflections, Fallacies, Pitfalls,  
etc.

(ESaaS §9.8-9.10)



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# First Drafts

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# Fallacies & Pitfalls

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Most of your design, coding, and testing time will be spent refactoring.

- “We should just throw this out and start over”
- Mixing refactoring with enhancement
- Abuse of metrics
- *Technical Debt*: Waiting too long to do a “big refactor” (vs. continuous refactoring)

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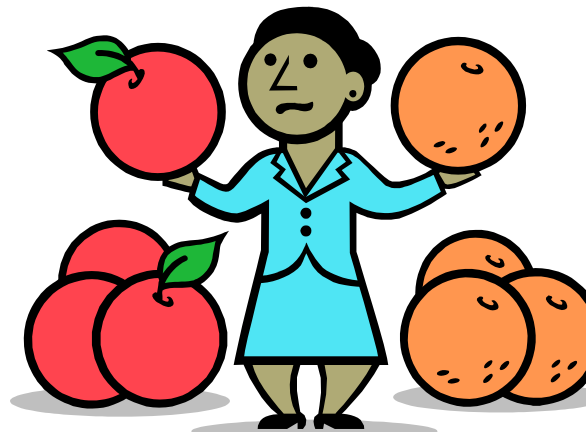
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# Maintenance: P&D vs. Agile



<i>Tasks</i>	<i>In Plan and Document</i>	<i>In Agile</i>
Customer change request	Change request forms	User story on 3x5 cards in Connextra format
Change request cost/time estimate	By Maintenance Manager	Points by Development Team
Triage of change requests	Change Control Board	Development team with customer participation
<i>Roles</i>		
	Maintenance Manager	n.a.
	Maintenance SW Engineers	Development team
	QA team	
	Documentation teams	
	Customer support group	