

Level up your unit testing approach using BDD-style tests



Starring Quick and Nimble

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About Me

- I'm old (compared to you)
- Coding forever (~30 years)
- Professionally since 1986
- Consulting since 1991
- Riot since 2008 (we're hiring)
- Languages
 - RPG II, III, 400 [1986]
 - Smalltalk [1992]
 - Java [1996]
 - HTML/Javascript/CSS [2002]
 - Flex/AIR [2007]
 - iOS/Android [2012]
 - C++/Go [2015/2016]
- ~ 200 tests in the past month
- Sharing
 - brax.tv



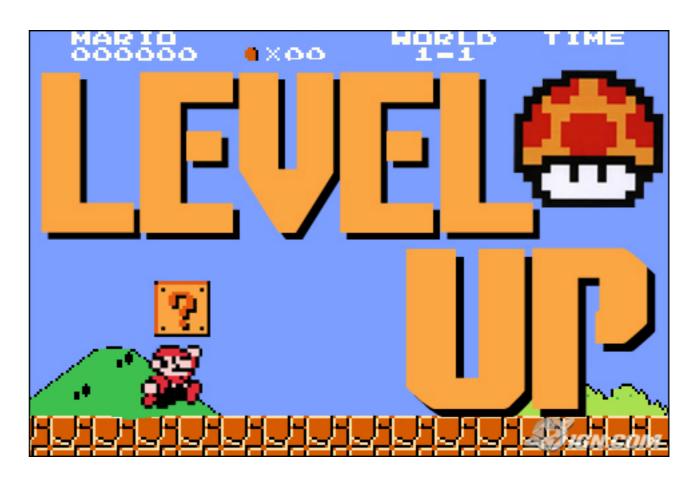


Agenda



Unit vs. Integration vs. Functional





XCTest Review



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```
public func buildInsertStatement(tableName: String, columnNames: [String], useNamedParameters: Bool = true) -> String {
    let names = columnNames.joinWithSeparator(", ")
    let values = columnNames.map() {columnName in
        useNamedParameters ? ":\(columnName)" : "?"
    }
    let valuesString = values.joinWithSeparator(", ")

return "\(SQLiteStatementBuilder.INSERT_INTO)\(tableName) (\(names)) VALUES (\(valuesString))"
}
```

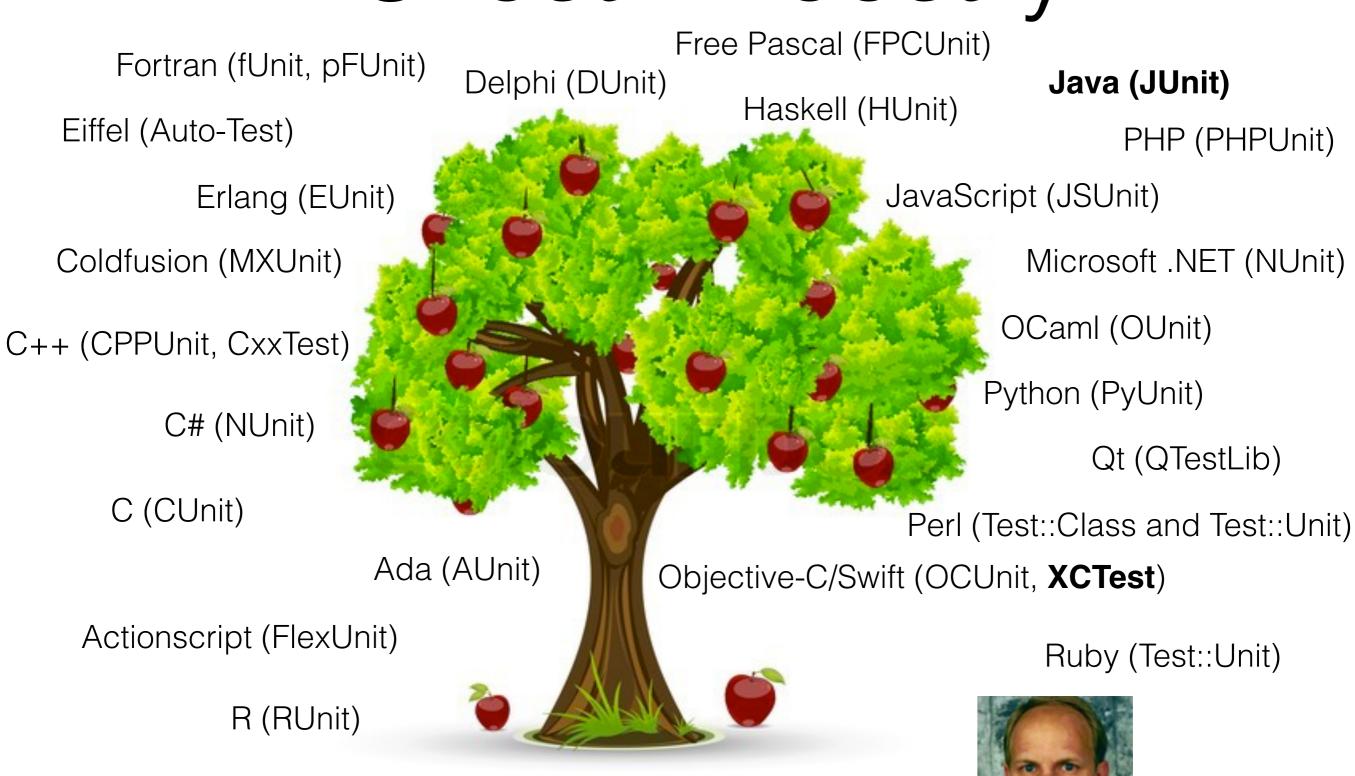




XCTest Anatomy

```
import XCTest
class SQLStatementBuilderTest : XCTestCase {
 var statementBuilder: SOLiteStatementBuilder
 override func setUp() {
   super.setUp()
   statementBuilder = SQLiteStatementBuilder()
 override func tearDown() {
   super.tearDown()
 func test buildInsertStatement withNamedParameters generatesValidSQLInsertStatement() {
     let sql = "insert into t (a, b, c) values (:a, :b, :c)"
     let generatedSQL = statementBuilder.
       buildInsertStatement(SQLStatementBuilderSpec.TABLE NAME,
         columnNames: SQLStatementBuilderSpec.COLUMNS,
         useNamedParameters: true)
    XCTAssertEqual(generatedSQL.lowercaseString, sql.lowercaseString)
```

XCTest Ancestry



1994 - SUnit by Kent Beck

Types of Testing

Functional Testing



Unit Test: Class Under Test

```
public protocol SQLStatementBuilder {
    func buildDeleteStatement(
    tableName:String,
     selection:String?) -> String
    func buildInsertStatement(
    tableName:String,
     columnNames:[String],
     useNamedParameters:Bool) -> String
    func buildSelectStatement(
    tableName:String,
     projection:[String]?,
     selection:String?,
     groupBy:String?,
     having:String?,
     sort:String?) -> String
  func buildUpdateStatement(
    tableName:String,
     updatingColumnNames:[String],
     selection:String?,
     useNamedParameters:Bool) -> String
public class SQLiteStatementBuilder : SQLStatementBuilder {
```

XCTest: Unit Test

```
import XCTest
class SQLStatementBuilderTest : XCTestCase {
   static let TABLE NAME = "t"
   static let COLUMN_A = "a"
   static let COLUMN B = "b"
   static let COLUMN_C = "c"
   static let COLUMNS = [COLUMN_A, COLUMN_B, COLUMN_C]
   var statementBuilder: SOLStatementBuilder!
   override func setUp() {
        super.setUp()
        statementBuilder = SQLiteStatementBuilder()
   }
   // SOL INSERT Tests
   func test buildInsertStatement withNamedParameters generatesValidSQLInsertStatement() {
        let sql = "insert into t (a, b, c) values (:a, :b, :c)"
        let generatedSQL = statementBuilder.buildInsertStatement(
                SQLStatementBuilderSpec.TABLE_NAME,
                columnNames: SQLStatementBuilderSpec.COLUMNS,
                useNamedParameters: true)
       XCTAssertEqual(generatedSQL.lowercaseString, sql.lowercaseString)
```

XCTest: Unit Test

```
import XCTest
class SQLStatementBuilderTest : XCTestCase {
   // SOL INSERT Tests
   func test buildInsertStatement withNamedParameters generatesValidSQLInsertStatement() {
        let sql = "insert into t (a, b, c) values (:a, :b, :c)"
        let generatedSQL = statementBuilder.buildInsertStatement(
                SQLStatementBuilderSpec.TABLE_NAME,
                columnNames: SQLStatementBuilderSpec.COLUMNS,
                useNamedParameters: true)
       XCTAssertEqual(generatedSQL.lowercaseString, sql.lowercaseString)
   }
   func test_buildInsertStatement_withParameterMarkers_generatesValidSQLInsertStatement() {
        let sql = "insert into t (a, b, c) values (?, ?, ?)"
        let generatedSQL = statementBuilder.buildInsertStatement(
                SQLStatementBuilderSpec.TABLE NAME,
                columnNames: SQLStatementBuilderSpec.COLUMNS,
                useNamedParameters: false)
       XCTAssertEqual(generatedSQL.lowercaseString, sql.lowercaseString)
```

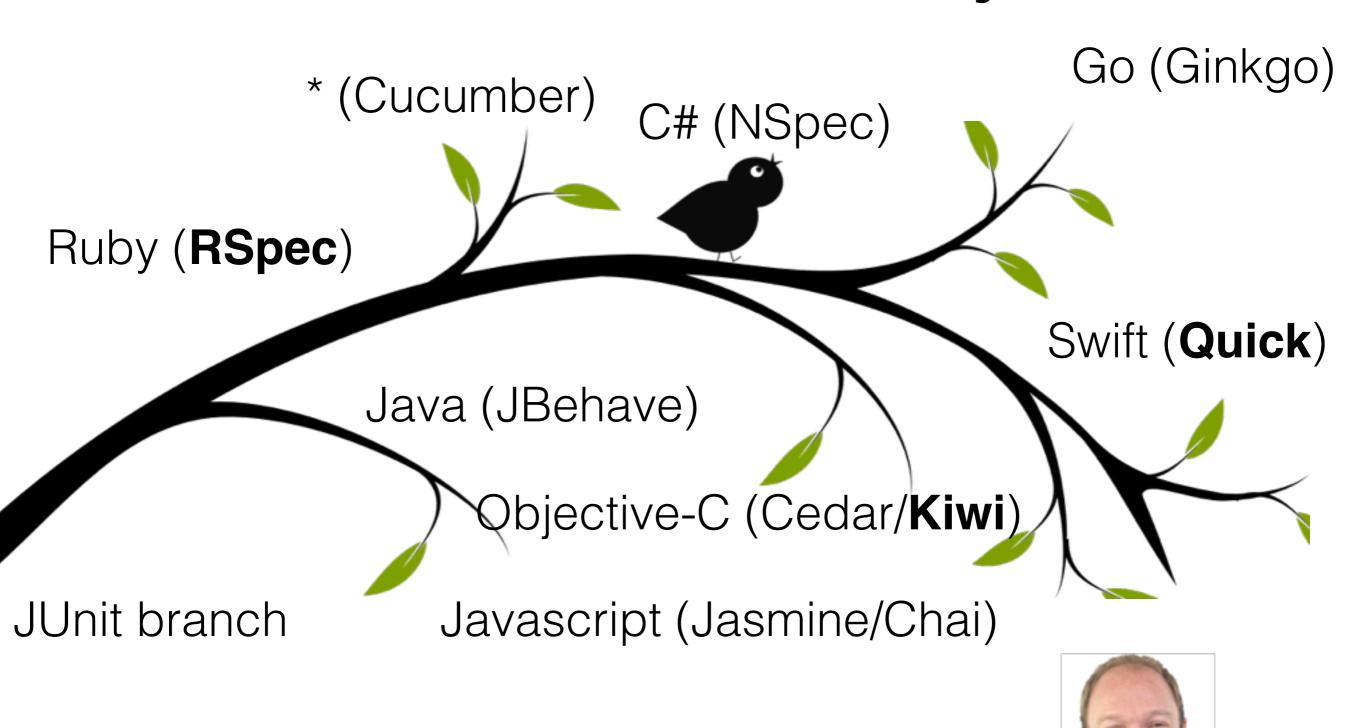


Introducing BDD

Behavior-Driven Development

The focus is on writing **specs** instead of tests and **describing** what you are testing by defining the scenarios as **contexts** using sentences, thereby significantly increasing the clarity of your tests.

BDD Ancestry



2006 - JBehave by Dan North

Unit Test: Class Under Test

```
public protocol SQLStatementBuilder {
    func buildDeleteStatement(
    tableName:String,
     selection:String?) -> String
    func buildInsertStatement(
    tableName:String,
     columnNames:[String],
     useNamedParameters:Bool) -> String
    func buildSelectStatement(
    tableName:String,
     projection:[String]?,
     selection:String?,
     groupBy:String?,
     having:String?,
     sort:String?) -> String
  func buildUpdateStatement(
    tableName:String,
     updatingColumnNames:[String],
     selection:String?,
     useNamedParameters:Bool) -> String
public class SQLiteStatementBuilder : SQLStatementBuilder {
```

Building a Spec

```
import Quick
import Nimble
class SQLStatementBuilderPendingSpec : QuickSpec {
    override func spec() {
        describe("Given a SQLStatementBuilder") {
            // SOL INSERT
            context("when building an INSERT statement") {
                context("with named parameters") {
                    pending("then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement") {}
                }
                context("with parameter markers") {
                    pending("then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement") {}
```



Pending Spec: Output

```
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL DELETE statement without a WHERE clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL DELETE statement with a WHERE clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL UPDATE statement
Pending: then it should generate a valid SQL UPDATE statement
Pending: then it should generate '*' for the projection
Pending: then it should generate a selection clause for each column in the projection
Pending: then it should not generate a WHERE clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid WHERE clause
Pending: then it should not generate a GROUP BY clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid GROUP BY clause
Pending: then it should not generate a HAVING clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid HAVING clause
Pending: then it should not generate an ORDER BY clause
Pending: then it should generate a valid ORDER BY clause
```

Converting Pending

```
class SQLStatementBuilderSpec : QuickSpec {
    static let TABLE_NAME = "t"
    static let COLUMN_A = "a"
    static let COLUMN_B = "b"
    static let COLUMN C = "c"
    static let COLUMNS = [COLUMN_A, COLUMN_B, COLUMN_C]
    override func spec() {
        describe("Given a SQLStatementBuilder") {
            var statementBuilder: SQLStatementBuilder!
            beforeEach {
                statementBuilder = SQLiteStatementBuilder()
            }
            // SQL INSERT
            context("when building an INSERT statement") {
                context("with named parameters") {
                  it("then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement") {
                      let sql = "insert into t (a, b, c) values (:a, :b, :c)"
                      let generatedSQL = statementBuilder.buildInsertStatement(
                                SQLStatementBuilderSpec.TABLE_NAME,
                                columnNames: SQLStatementBuilderSpec.COLUMNS,
                                useNamedParameters: true)
                      expect(generatedSQL.lowercaseString).to(equal(sql.lowercaseString))
                  }
```



Test Observer

Test output is readable, obvious

16 pass/0 fail

```
Given a SOLStatementBuilder
    when building an INSERT statement
       with named parameters
          then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement [PASSED]
       with parameter markers
          then it should generate a valid SQL INSERT statement [PASSED]
    when building an UPDATE statement
       with named parameters
          then it should generate a valid SQL UPDATE statement [PASSED]
       with parameter markers
          then it should generate a valid SQL UPDATE statement [PASSED]
    when building a DELETE statement
       without a selection specified
          then it should generate a valid SQL DELETE statement without a WHERE clause [PASSED]
       with a selection specified
          then it should generate a valid SQL DELETE statement with a WHERE clause [PASSED]
16 tests run in 261.422991752625ms
```

Focused/Excluded

- describe/fdescribe/xdescribe
- context/fcontext/xcontext
- it/fit/xit



XCTest assertions

- XCTAssertEqual(actual, expected, "expected actual to equal expected")
- XCTAssertTrue(actual, "expected actual to be true")
- XCTAssertFalse(actual, "expected actual to be false")
- XCTAssertNil(actual, "expected actual to be nil")
- XCTAssertNotNil(actual, "expected actual to not be nil")
- XCTAssertThrows(doSomething(), "expected doSomething() to throw")
- XCTFail("Fail the test")

Leveling Up Assertions

- expect(actual).to(equal(expected))
- expect(actual).toNot(equal(expected))
- expect(actual).notTo(equal(expected))
- expect(actual).toEventually(equal(expected))
- expect(actual).to(beTrue())
- expect(actual).to(beFalse())
- expect(actual).to(beNil())
- expect(actual).notTo(beNil())



Integration Tests

Can use BDD approach with Integration tests



Functional Tests

```
public override func spec() {
   describe("Given that I am using the LoL Book of Champions app") {
       context("when I am on the champion browser screen") {
           it("then I can scroll the list of champions until I see Ziggs") {}
           it("then I can tap on Annie and see Annie's skins") {}
       context("when I am on the champion skins browser screen") {
           it("then I can scroll through Annie's skins") {}
           it("then I can tap the back button to go back to the Champions Browser") {}
```



Functional Test Observer

Test output is readable, obvious

```
Given that I am using the LoL Book of Champions app
when I am on the champion browser screen
then I can scroll the list of champions until I see Ziggs [PASSED]
then I can tap on Annie and see Annie's skins [PASSED]
when I am on the champion skins browser screen
then I can scroll through Annie's skins [PASSED]
then I can tap the back button to go back to the Champions Browser [PASSED]

4 tests run in 58.79785603284848
4 pass/0 fail
```

SUMMAR

Quick tests are XCTests

Unit, integration and functional

Switch focus to behavior

• Tests are easier to read, easier to write

Makes writing tests.....fun?



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