Software Engineering and Architecture Lecture 5: Agile Testing (1)

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Today.

Agile testing - BDD

15h - 15h30

OO Reengineering Patterns (3 x 10')

15h30 - 16h00

Open Affect, API specification and validation

16h00 - 17h20



Week	Theory	00 Reengineering	Practice
#1	Agile, Scrum		Intro to Docker
#2	Software evolution	Introduction	Specify and implement a micro-service
#3	Continuous delivery (1)	Setting Directions	Intro to Jenkins & Travis
#4	Continuous delivery (2)	First Contact	Our first build pipeline
#5	Agile testing (1)	Initial Understanding	Intro to Cucumber
#6	Agile testing (2)	Detailed Model Capture	Add tests to pipeline
#7	Agile metrics	Tests: Your Life Insurance!	Add Sonar to pipeline
#8	Continuous improvement	Migration Strategies I	Add non-functional tests
#9	Wrap-up	Migration Strategies II	



Agile testing quadrants: Q2

Business facing

Support the team

Functional tests

Examples

Prototypes

Simulations

Critique product

Technology facing



Functional tests

- With **functional tests**, we want to validate that the system does what it it supposed to do **from the users point of view**.
- Very often, this means defining usage scenarios (test cases). We describe
 the steps to be followed by users and the expected results.
- When we evaluate a software release, we can **check** whether the defined test cases can be executed with success.



Manual functional tests

- In many organizations, test cases are documented in test management software. They are executed by human operators.
- This is a repetitive process with little added value.
- This is a slow process.
- It creates overhead and often gives a false sense of confidence.
- If you release every 3 months, it "might" be possible to do manual test campaigns. If you release on a weekly basis, it is just not possible.





Automated functional tests

- There are now tools that can be used to simulate human users.
- With these tools, you write scripts. When the scripts are executed, they **control a web browser** and check that the content of the pages is.
- It is not a free lunch. Writing these scripts takes time. Maintaining these scripts (when the UI changes) takes a lot of time.
- Integration tests are slower than unit tests.
 Automated functional tests are a lot slower than integration tests.
- For this reason, they are not executed as often (at a later stage in the continuous delivery pipeline).





Behaviour Driven Development (BDD)

- With Unit Tests, developers have a way to specify and check the behaviour of a tiny piece of code.
- The same principle can be applied with higher-level, business oriented tests. This is the idea of "behaviour driven development" or BDD.
- BDD is a method that **facilitates the collaboration** between business analysis, developers and testers. It gives them a **common vocabulary**.



"My response is **behaviour-driven development** (BDD). It has evolved out of established agile practices and is designed to make them more accessible and effective for teams new to agile software delivery.

Over time, BDD has grown to encompass the wider picture of agile analysis and automated acceptance testing."

Dan North, 2006



BDD: Naming & Vocabulary Matters

- "Test method names should be sentences".
- Compare the two representations of the same "specification". It suggests that
 tools can support communication by emphasizing a common language for
 the domain.

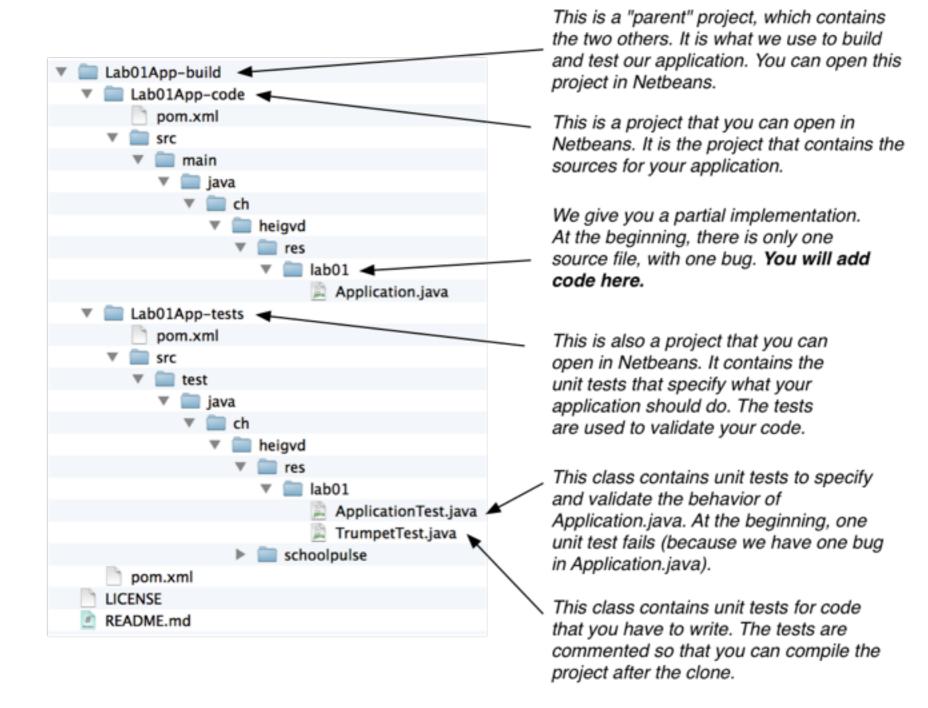
```
public class FooTest extends TestCase {
    public void testIsASingleton() {} - is a singleton
    public void testAReallyLongNameIsAGoodThing() {} - a really long name is a good thing
```



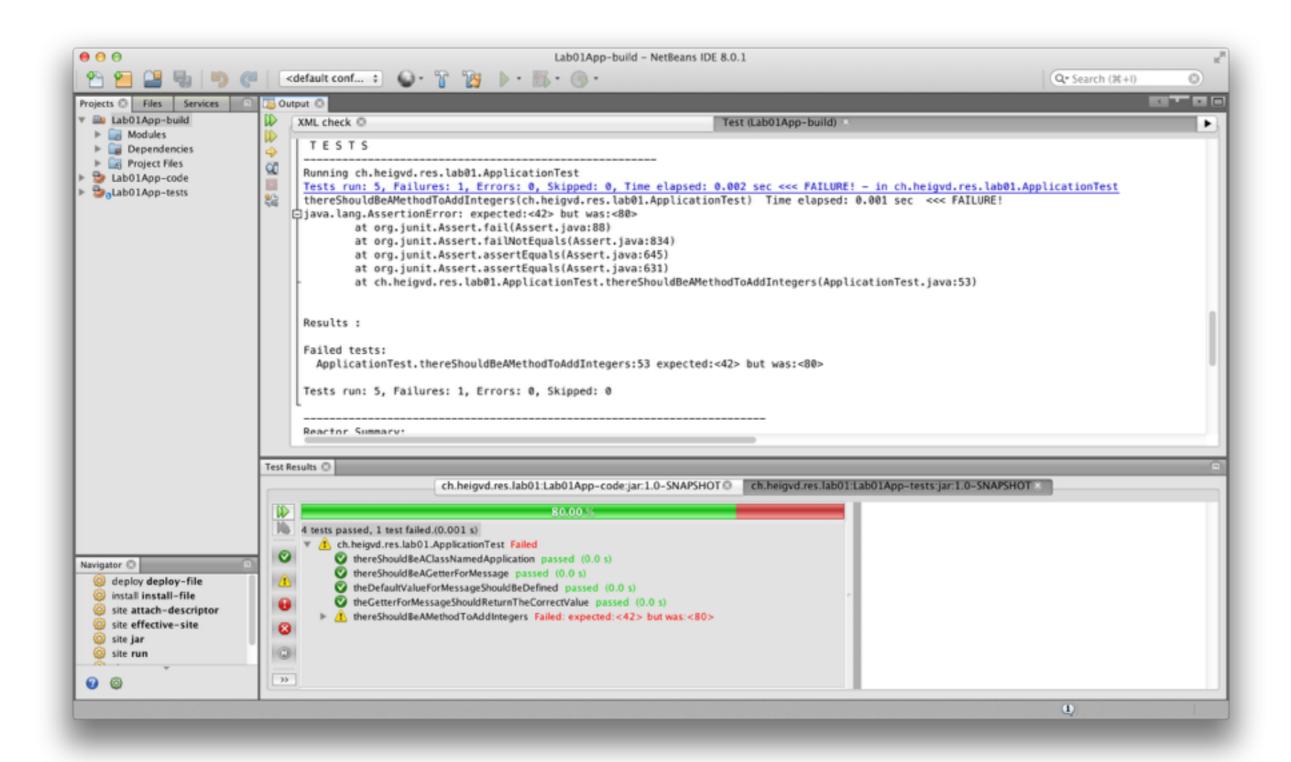




Example: the "Instruments" lab



```
public class ApplicationTest {
                                                                    @Test
  @Test
                                                                    public void thereShouldBeAnIInstrumentInterfaceAndATrumpetClas
  public void thereShouldBeAClassNamedApplication() {
                                                                      IInstrument trumpet = new Trumpet();
    Application application = new Application();
                                                                      assertNotNull(trumpet);
    assertNotNull(application);
                                                                    @Test
  @Test
                                                                    public void itShouldBePossibleToPlayAnInstrument() {
  public void thereShouldBeAGetterForMessage() {
                                                                      IInstrument trumpet = new Trumpet();
    Application application = new Application();
                                                                      String sound = trumpet.play();
    String message = application.getMessage();
                                                                      assertNotNull(sound);
    assertNotNull(message);
                                                                    @Test
  @Test
                                                                    public void aTrumpetShouldMakePouet() {
  public void theGetterForMessageShouldReturnTheCorrectValue() {
                                                                      IInstrument trumpet = new Trumpet();
    String testValue = "does it work?";
                                                                      String sound = trumpet.play();
    Application application = new Application(testValue);
                                                                      Assert.assertEquals("pouet", sound);
    String message = application.getMessage();
                                                                     }
    assertEquals(testValue, message);
                                                                     @Test
                                                                    public void aTrumpetShouldBeLouderThanAFlute() {
  @Test
                                                                      IInstrument trumpet = new Trumpet();
  public void theDefaultValueForMessageShouldBeDefined() {
                                                                      IInstrument flute = new Flute();
    Application application = new Application();
                                                                      int trumpetVolume = trumpet.getSoundVolume();
    String message = application.getMessage();
                                                                      int fluteVolume = flute.getSoundVolume();
    assertEquals("HEIG-VD rocks!", message);
                                                                      Assert.assertTrue(trumpetVolume > fluteVolume);
                                                                     }
                                                                     @Test
  @Test
                                                                    public void aTrumpetShouldBeGolden() {
  public void thereShouldBeAMethodToAddIntegers() {
                                                                      IInstrument trumpet = new Trumpet();
    Application application = new Application();
                                                                      String color = trumpet.getColor();
    int sum = application.add(40, 2);
                                                                      Assert.assertEquals("golden", color);
    assertEquals(42, sum);
```





BDD: "Ubiquitous Language" for Analysis

BDD proposes a template to describe the intended behaviour of a system.
 The template is used to specify the acceptance criteria for a given user story.

```
Given some initial context (the givens),
When an event occurs,
then ensure some outcomes.
```

```
USER STORY
As a customer,
I want to withdraw cash from
an ATM,
so that I don't have to wait
in line at the bank.
```

```
ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA
Given the account is in credit

A And the card is valid

G And the dispenser contains cash

A When the customer requests cash

A Then ensure the account is debited

W And ensure cash is dispensed

T And ensure the card is returned

A

And ensure the card is returned
```



BDD: Executable Specifications

- "Acceptance criteria should be executable"
- We need tools that allow:
 - analysts to write the acceptance criteria in plain english, following the previous template;
 - developers to write test fixtures that act as intermediary between the specification and the system to test;
 - the continuous delivery pipeline to execute the specifications automatically, to integrate the test results in the "live" specification, to notify the team about the results.



Process: When will be done?

Scenario: trader is not alerted below threshold

Given a stock of symbol STK1 and a threshold of 10.0

When the stock is traded at 5.0

Then the alert status should be OFF



Executable Specifications



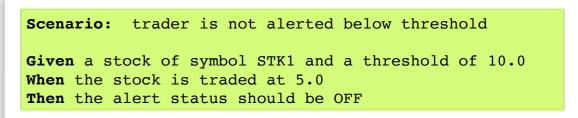
Acceptance criteria for stories are defined as scenarios.



Process: linking the specs with the system



Executable Specifications





Test Fixtures

System Under Test (SUT)

```
public class TraderSteps { // look, Ma, I'm a POJO!!
    private Stock stock;
    @Given("a stock of symbol $symbol and a threshold
of $threshold")
    public void aStock(String symbol, double threshold)
{
        stock = new Stock(symbol, threshold);
    }
    @When("the stock is traded at $price")
    public void theStockIsTradedAt(double price) {
        stock.tradeAt(price);
    }
    @Then("the alert status should be $status")
    public void theAlertStatusShouldBe(String status) {
        ensureThat(stock.getStatus().name(),
    equalTo(status));
    }
}
```



Process: let's see if we are done...

Scenario: trader is not alerted below threshold

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Then the alert status should be OFF





Executable Specifications



The test results are displayed directly in the "living" specs (other reports and notifications are also useful!)



Process: yeah!!!!!!

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Given a stock of symbol STK1 and a threshold of 10.0

When the stock is traded at 5.0

Then the alert status should be OFF



Executable
Specifications



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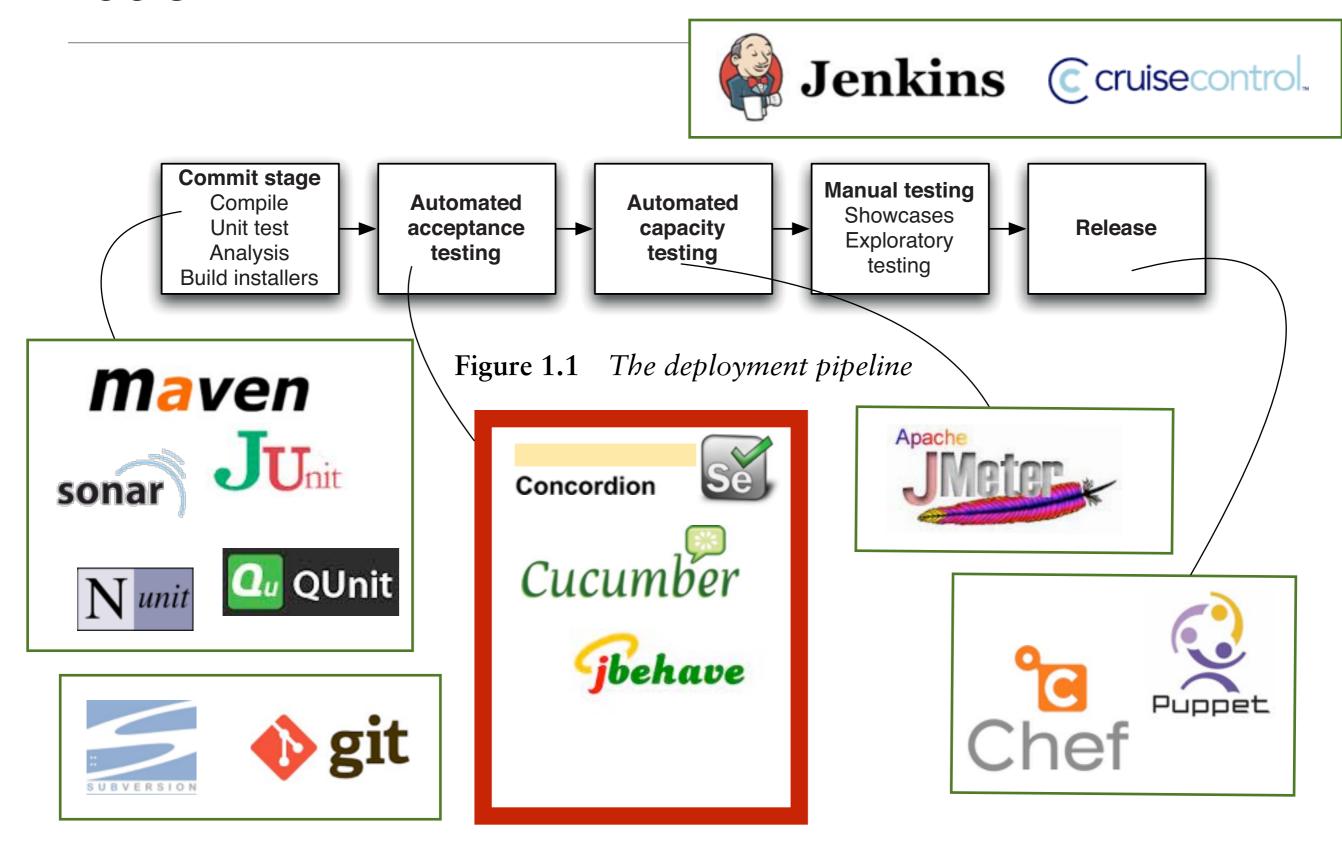


I can't wait to get started... what should I do?





Tools





Getting started with Cucumber JVM



BDD Kickstart - Boston, US - August 2017



An open-source tool for executable specifications

A vibrant community

An ingenious company



confidential

Dependency

If you are going to use the lambda expressions API to write the Step Definitions, you need:

Otherwise, to write them using annotated methods, you need:

While it's not required, we strongly recommend you include one of the Dependency Injection modules as well. This allows you to share state between Step Definitions without resorting to static variables (a common source of flickering scenarios).



PicoContainer

Dependency

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>info.cukes</groupId>
        <artifactId>cucumber-picocontainer</artifactId>
        <version>1.2.5</version>
        <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
```

Step dependencies

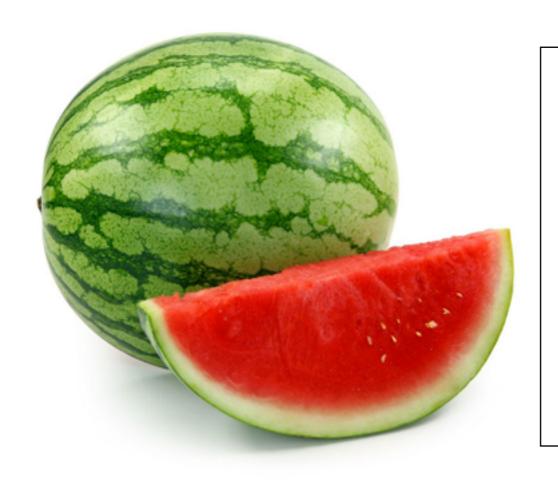
The picocontainer will create singleton instances of any Step class dependencies which are constructor parameters and inject them into the Step class instances when constructing them.

Step scope and lifecycle

All step classes and their dependencies will be recreated fresh for each scenario, even if the scenario in question does not use any steps from that particular class.

If any step classes or dependencies use expensive resources (such as database connections), you should create them lazily on-demand, rather than eagerly, to improve performance.

Step classes or their dependencies which own resources which need cleanup should implement org.picocontainer.Disposable as described at http://picocontainer.com/lifecycle.html. These callbacks will run after any cucumber.api.java.After callbacks.



Feature: Creation of fruits

Background:

Given there is a Fruits server

Scenario: create a fruit

Given I have a fruit payload

When I POST it to the /fruits endpoint

Then I receive a 201 status code

Running io.avalia.fruits.api.spec.SpecificationTest
Feature: Creation of fruits

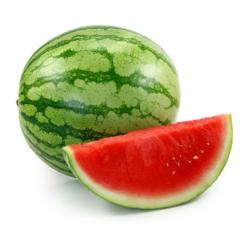
Background: # creation.feature:3
Given there is a Fruits server

Scenario: create a fruit # creation.feature:6
Given I have a fruit payload
When I POST it to the /fruits endpoint
Then I receive a 201 status code

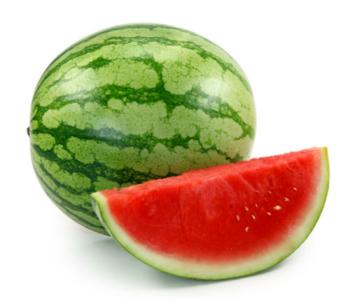
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4 Steps (4 undefined)

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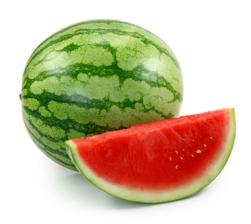




```
You can implement missing steps with the snippets below:

@Given("^there is a Fruits server$")

public void there_is_a_Fruits_server() throws Throwable {
    // Write code here that turns the phrase above into concrete actions throw new PendingException();
}
...
```

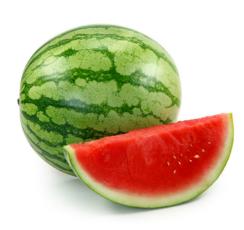


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TESTS
Running io.avalia.fruits.api.spec.SpecificationTest
Feature: Creation of fruits
  Background:
                                  # creation.feature:3
   Given there is a Fruits server # CreationSteps.there_is_a_Fruits_server()
     cucumber.api.PendingException: TODO: implement me
      at
io.avalia.fruits.api.spec.steps.CreationSteps.there_is_a_Fruits_server(CreationSteps.java:16)
      at *.Given there is a Fruits server(creation.feature:4)
                                         # creation.feature:6
  Scenario: create a fruit
   Given I have a fruit payload
                                          # CreationSteps.i have a fruit payload()
   When I POST it to the /fruits endpoint # CreationSteps.i_POST_it_to_the_fruits_endpoint()
   Then I receive a 201 status code
                                          # CreationSteps.i_receive_a_status_code(int)
1 Scenarios (1 pending)
4 Steps (3 skipped, 1 pending)
0m0.101s
```

```
public class CreationSteps {
    private Environment environment;
    private DefaultApi api;
    private ApiResponse lastApiResponse;
    private ApiException lastApiException;
    private boolean lastApiCallThrewException;
    private int lastStatusCode;
   Fruit fruit;
    public CreationSteps(Environment environment) {
       this.environment = environment;
        this.api = environment.getApi();
    }
   @Given("^there is a Fruits server$")
    public void there_is_a_Fruits_server() throws Throwable {
        assertNotNull(api);
   @Given("^I have a fruit payload$")
    public void i_have_a_fruit_payload() throws Throwable {
        fruit = new io.avalia.fruits.api.dto.Fruit();
    }
```

```
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```

```
@When("^I POST it to the /fruits endpoint$")
public void i POST it to the fruits endpoint() throws Throwable {
    try {
        lastApiResponse = api.createFruitWithHttpInfo(fruit);
        lastApiCallThrewException = false;
        lastApiException = null;
        lastStatusCode = lastApiResponse.getStatusCode();
    } catch (ApiException e) {
        lastApiCallThrewException = true;
        lastApiResponse = null;
        lastApiException = e;
        lastStatusCode = lastApiException.getCode();
}
@Then("^I receive a (\\d+) status code$")
public void i_receive_a_status_code(int arg1) throws Throwable {
    assertEquals(201, lastStatusCode);
}
```



```
TESTS

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Scenario: create a fruit  # creation.feature:6
    Given I have a fruit payload  # CreationSteps.i_have_a_fruit_payload()
    When I POST it to the /fruits endpoint # CreationSteps.i_POST_it_to_the_fruits_endpoint()
    Then I receive a 201 status code  # CreationSteps.i_receive_a_status_code(int)

1 Scenarios (1 passed)
4 Steps (4 passed)
0m0.496s

Tests run: 5, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 0.824 sec
```



Specify - Code - Validate

with
Swagger,
Spring Boot &
Cucumber JVM



Examples in these repos:

Bare minimum "Fruits" API

https://github.com/AvaliaSystems/TrainingREST/tree/swagger-springboot-cucumber-codegen

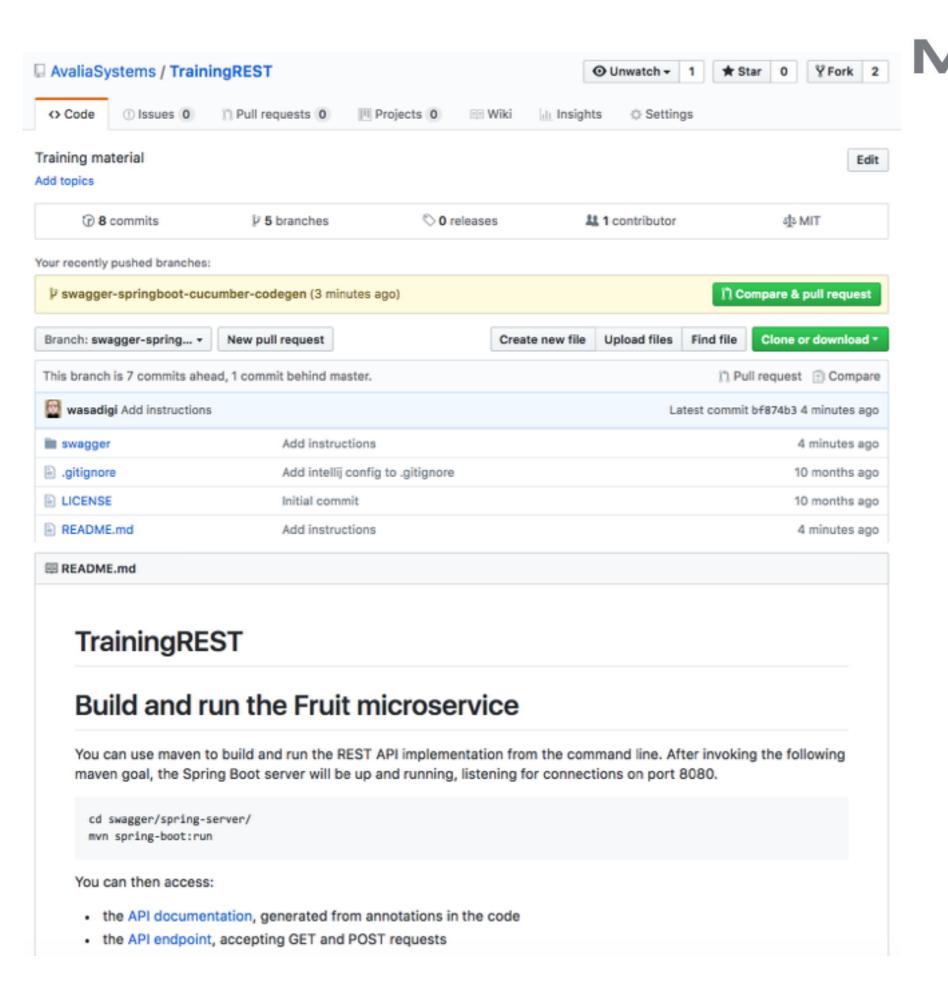
Simple "Open Affect" API

https://github.com/openaffect/openaffect-server

Multiple micro-services platforms

https://github.com/PestaKit

https://github.com/LozziKit



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Combined top-down & bottom-up development process

Specify API v0.1 in api-spec.yml

- This is done only once
- 2. Generate Spring Boot skeleton from Swagger editor
- 3. Modify pom.xml to enable API updates (the hard part)
- 1. Update API to v0.x in api-spec.yml

This is done many times

- 2. Build with maven (mvn clean install)
- 3. The swagger codegen maven plugin **re-generates** the interfaces (endpoint signatures, DTOs)
- 4. Implement the new behaviour
- 5. **Annotations** on the controllers are used to generate the live html documentation (springfox)

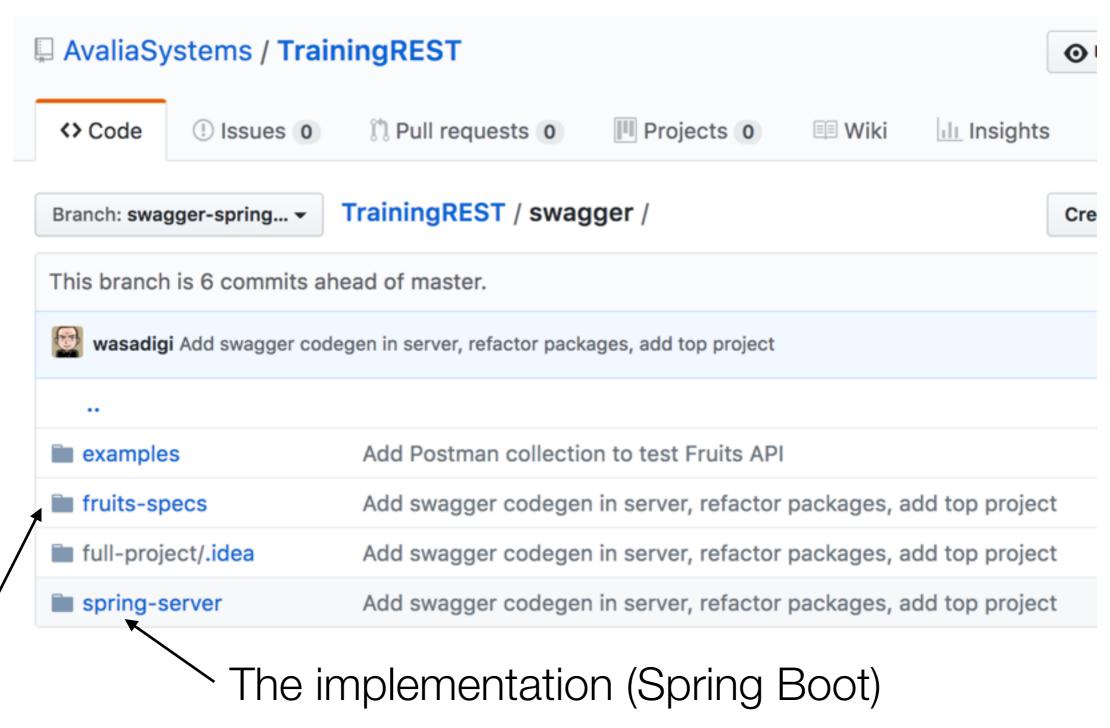


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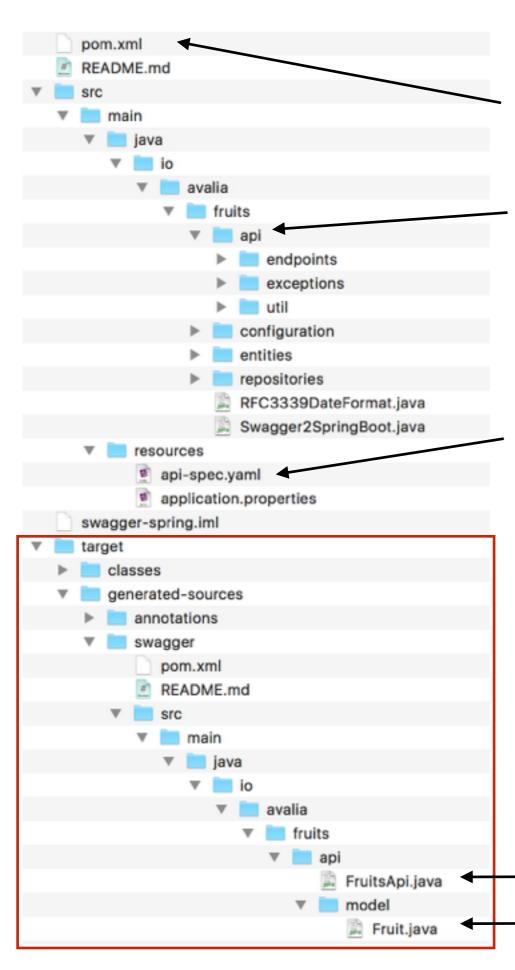
Apply the same process to

- 1) the specification (Cucumber scenarios)
- 2) the implementation (Spring Boot service)
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The executable spec (Cucumber)



pom.xml contains the magic that puts all things together.

Our implementation: it is not modified automatically when we do a build. If we change the interfaces (endpoints / DTOs), we must update this code.

api-spec.yaml is our API spec. If we change endpoints or DTOs, we update this file.

This is generated each time when we do mvn clean install

Our REST endpoint, as defined with Swagger
Our DTO, as defined with Swagger

