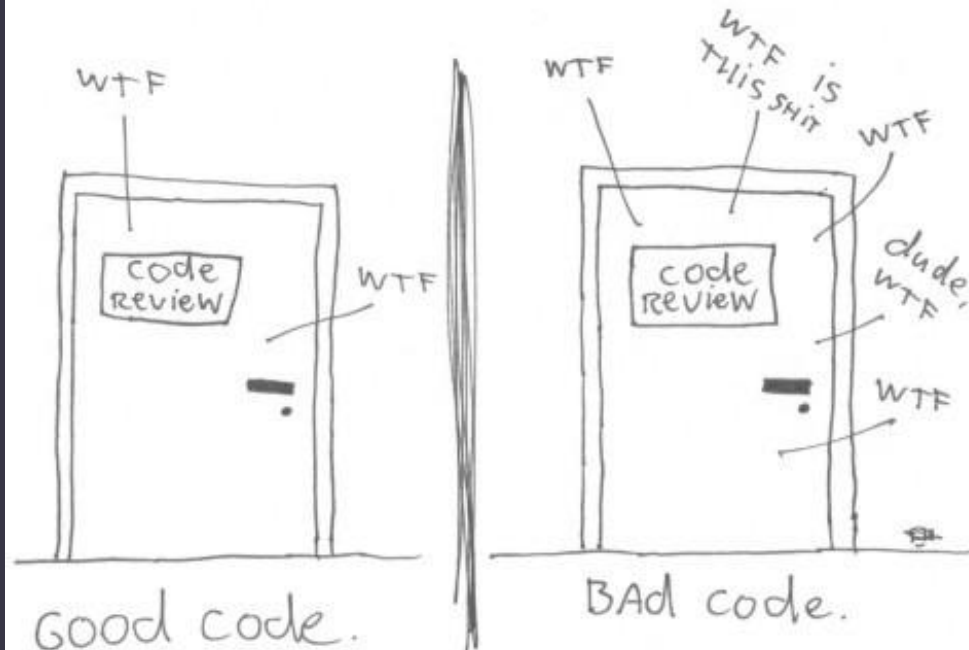


# Clean Code

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OF CODE QUALITY: WTFs/minute



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**“My code is working well, the website I built is looking great, and my client is happy. So why would I still care about writing clean code?”**

**Why are we writing  
bad code?**



# Why are we writing bad code?

- Bad code isn't immediately evident to the customer
- The user only cares for a working application
- Strict schedule and stress
- Pressure from superiors (you don't get the time to refactor your code because it is working)
- New features have a higher priority

# Why would I still care about writing Clean Code?

*“Programming is the art of telling another human what one wants the computer to do.”*

*— Donald Knuth*

**Readability**

**Comprehensibility**

**Maintainability**

# What is Clean Code?

***“If you want your code to be easy to write, make it easy to read”***

— Robert C. Martin

***“Clean code always looks like it was written by someone who cares. There is nothing obvious you can do to make it better.”***

— Michael Feathers

***“Clean Code is simple and direct.”***

— Grady Booch



# What is Clean Code?

*„Clean code is code that is easy to understand and easy to change.“*

- The code has to be easy to read and easy to understand on every level.
- The code has to be easy to extend and refactor.
- It has to be easy to fix bugs.

# How can we achieve Clean Code?

- Coding Principles
- Helpful Mentalities
- Refactoring

# Coding Principles

- DRY (Don't repeat yourself)
- Reduce dependencies as much as possible
- KISS (Keep It Simple, Stupid)
- SRP (Single-Responsibility Principle)
- YAGNI (You Aren't Gonna Need It)

# Helpful Mentalities

- Test as you write
- Validate your data
- Handle errors nicely
- Tidy up after yourself
- Make your code unsurprising

# Refactoring

*„[P]rocess of changing a software system  
in such a way that it does not  
alter the external behavior of the code  
yet improves its internal structure.“*

# Refactoring

1. Writing a solid test suite
2. Extract methods
3. Rename variables/classes/...
4. Move methods to their corresponding classes
5. Removing temporary variables
6. Reducing complexity of classes and methods (e.g. with polymorphism)
7. Shorten parameter list
8. Transform error codes into exceptions

# When do we refactor?

## REFACTORING



- Copy & Paste?
- Having to check a method or class to find out what it does?
- You need to write or read comments to understand the method?
- Bad metrics?

# Kata

- Name comes from the Japanese martial arts
- Exercise in programming
- Term used by Dave Thomas (1999)
- Helps hone your skills through practice and repetition
- Often combines Clean Code with Test Driven Development



# Interested in more?

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**Thanks for listening!**