Quality of Software

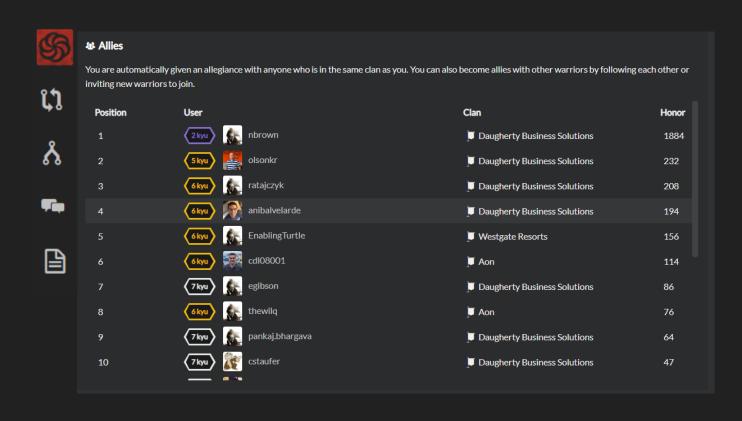
What can we do about it?

Who is responsible for the quality of the software you produce?

You are!

How can you get better at producing quality software?

- O Practice
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- Practice some more...
- O www.CodeWars.com
- There are other <u>alternatives</u>



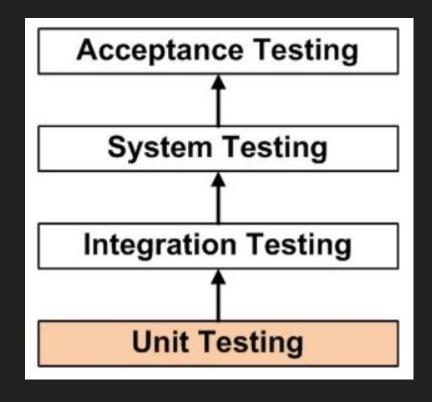
How to level-up your skills with Software Quality?

- Understand the common sources of software problems
 - Code Smells
- Understand best practices to fix them
 - Refactor
- My tooling of choice for this is
 - O Refactoring Guru



What do you do when you find bug in your code? - a happy path -

- O Ideally you:
 - O Appropriate testing library
 - Create a test to reproduce/expose the bug
 - Change your code to make your test pass!



Characteristics of Unit Tests

- Focus on small fragments of logic at a time
- Execute fast ~ average 20 milliseconds per test
- Have clear structure
 - O // arrange
 - O // act
 - O // assert
- Help you determine usability of your code
- Assist with refactoring
- Dev team must be able to trust a Unit Test library's accuracy

Mocks - Complements to Unit Testing

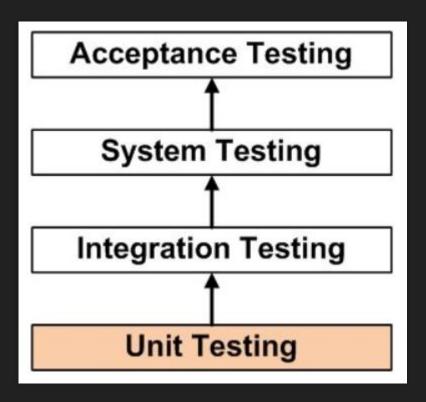
- What are mocks?
- O Why mock?
- What are some common mocking frameworks?
 - JavaScript
 - O Java
 - O .NET
- O A lot of the time, it will depend on what our clients work with.

Demo Time...

- Let's check out some examples:
 - Microsoft's VS Code
 - https://github.com/microsoft/vscode/blob/master/src/vs/editor/test/common/services/modelService.test.t s#L39
 - Oracle's Database Programming Interface for C/C++
 - O https://github.com/oracle/odpi/blob/master/test/TestNumbers.c#L270
 - Anibal's bitwise-stor JavaScript Library
 - O https://github.com/anibalvelarde/bitwise-stor/blob/master/src/index.test.js#L77

How about the other types of test?

- A good set of definitions can be found at:
 - O www.softwaretestingfundamentals.com



Difficulties with testing adoption

- Some times those who pay for a Software project have reservations
 - Overheard somewhere, at a software development shop, right at this minute:
 - O "You mean you need to create non-feature code to finish the feature code?"
- The process seems, at first glance, counter intuitive
- It requires a mindset change at various levels
 - O Personal
 - Team
 - Org-wide
- Anyone has some stories to share?

A word about "Education"

- "Education" comes from a couple of Latin Root Words
 - O Educare To train or to mold
 - O Educere To lead forth
- The second one raises an interesting question: Which way is forth?
- As consultants, we are called to lead forth. We need to make sure we understand which way is forth.

Which way is forth?

- Learn to discern Truth
- Learn to discern what is Good
- Where those 2 intersect, there you will find Beauty
- O In tech, learning to discern between Principles and Styles is key