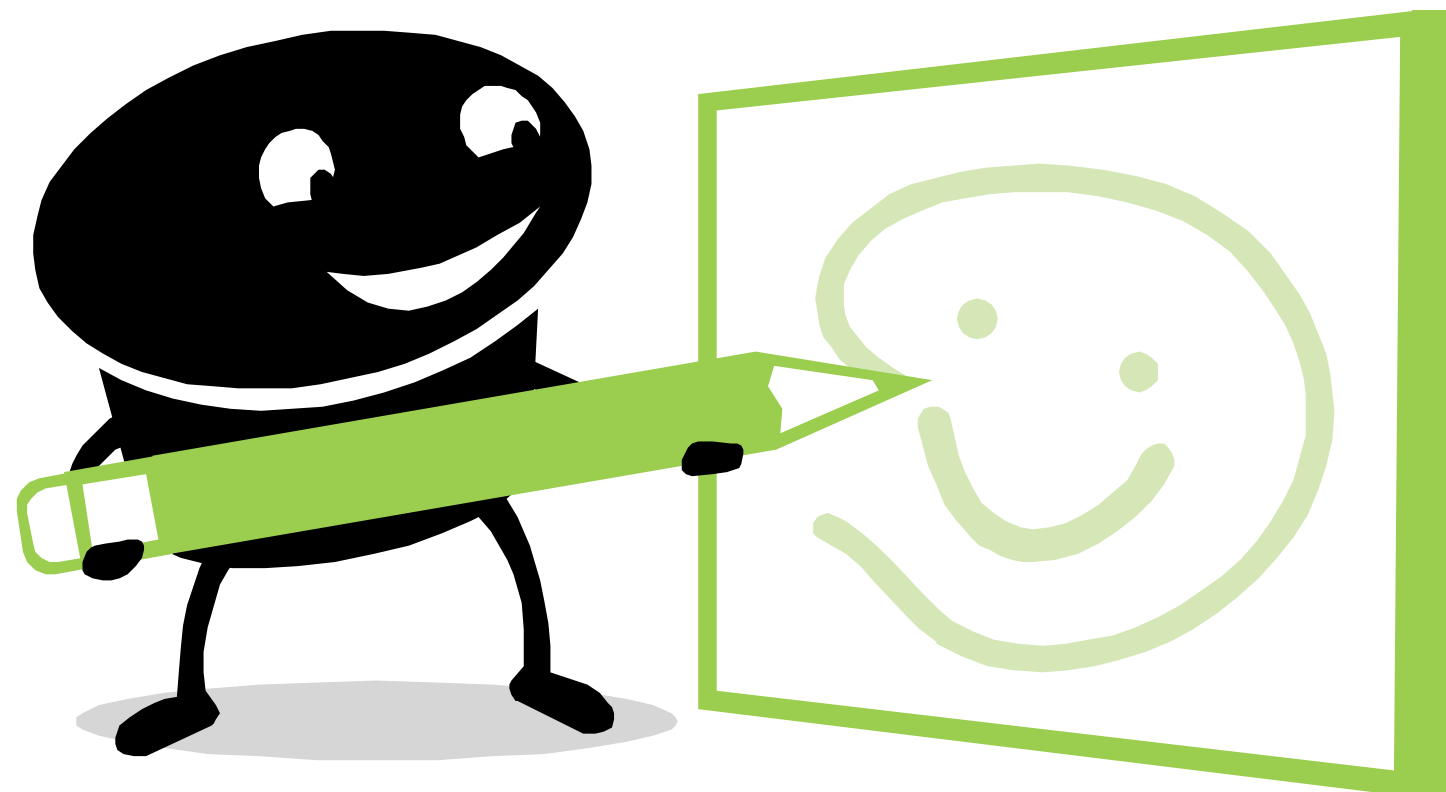


-Talking to the Customer-  
Learning and Recording  
What They Want

Then turn ideas into tests!

# Announcements

- HW2- DUE LAST NIGHT
- Iter 0-3 due Sunday
  - Lo-Fi UI Diagrams and Storyboards
  - Team Evaluation: Due Wed
  - Customer Evaluation: Due Wed
  - Quick demo of projects: Tues
- OPTIONAL HOMEWORKS WILL BE POSTED
- FIRST TEST: THURSDAY 3/2
  - Review guide will be posted



# LO-FI UI EXAMPLE

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A hand-drawn lo-fi UI sketch for a web application titled "Rotten Potatoes!". The sketch is contained within a rectangular frame. At the top, the title "Rotten Potatoes!" is written in a casual, handwritten font. Below the title, the section "CREATE NEW MOVIE" is written. Under this section, there are four input fields, each preceded by a label: "MOVIE TITLE", "MOVIE RATING", "RELEASE DATE", and "MOVIE DESCRIPTION". The first three labels are followed by single-line rectangular input boxes. The "MOVIE DESCRIPTION" label is followed by a larger, multi-line rectangular input box. At the bottom of the form, there is a button labeled "SAVE CHANGES" enclosed in a rounded rectangular border.

(Figure 4.3, *Engineering Long Lasting Software* by Armando Fox and David Patterson, Alpha edition, 2012.)

# STORYBOARDS

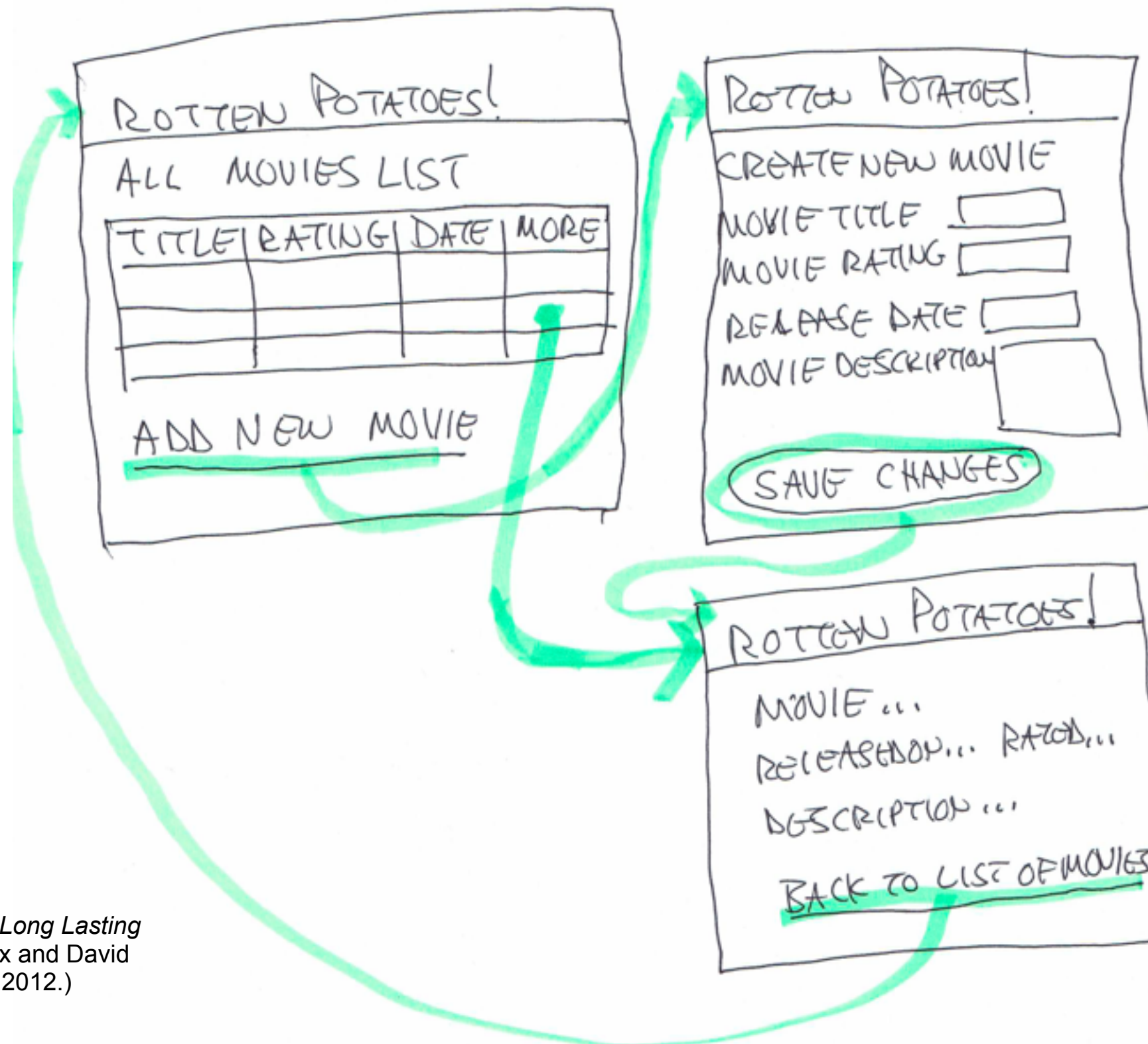
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- Need to show how UI changes based on user actions
- HCI => “storyboards”
- Like scenes in a movie
- But not linear



# EXAMPLE STORYBOARD

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(Figure 4.4, *Engineering Long Lasting Software* by Armando Fox and David Patterson, Alpha edition, 2012.)



# LO-FI TO HTML

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- Tedious to do sketches and storyboards, but easier than producing HTML!
  - Also less intimidating to nontechnical stakeholders => More likely to suggest changes to UI if not code behind it
  - More likely to be happy with ultimate UI
- Next steps: More on CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) and Haml
  - Make it pretty *after* it works

# BEFORE YOU CODE: TEST

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- Test Driven Development

- Write tests

- THEN write code

- Advantages?

- Disadvantages?

- Levels of Testing

- Acceptance

- System

- Integration

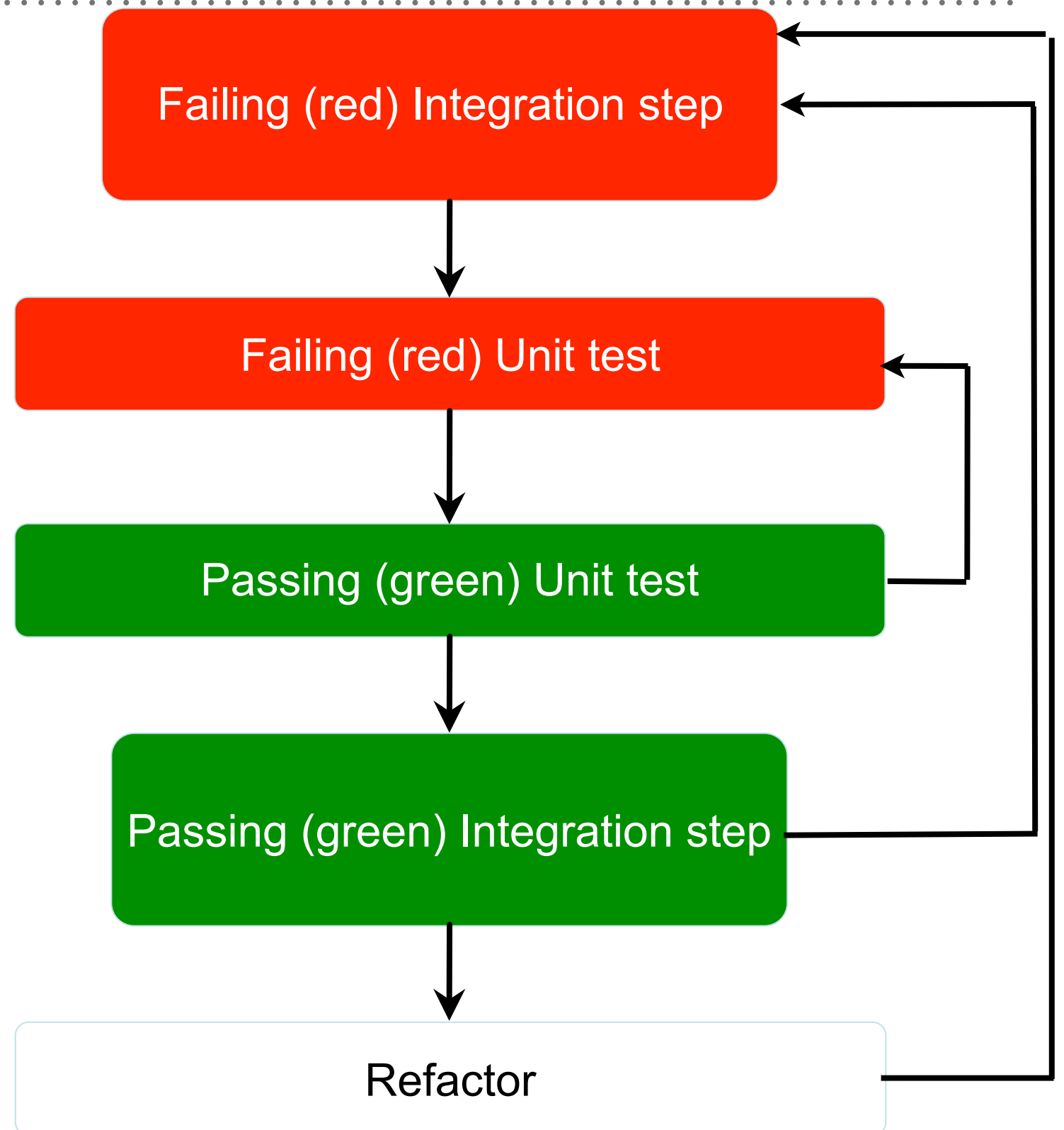
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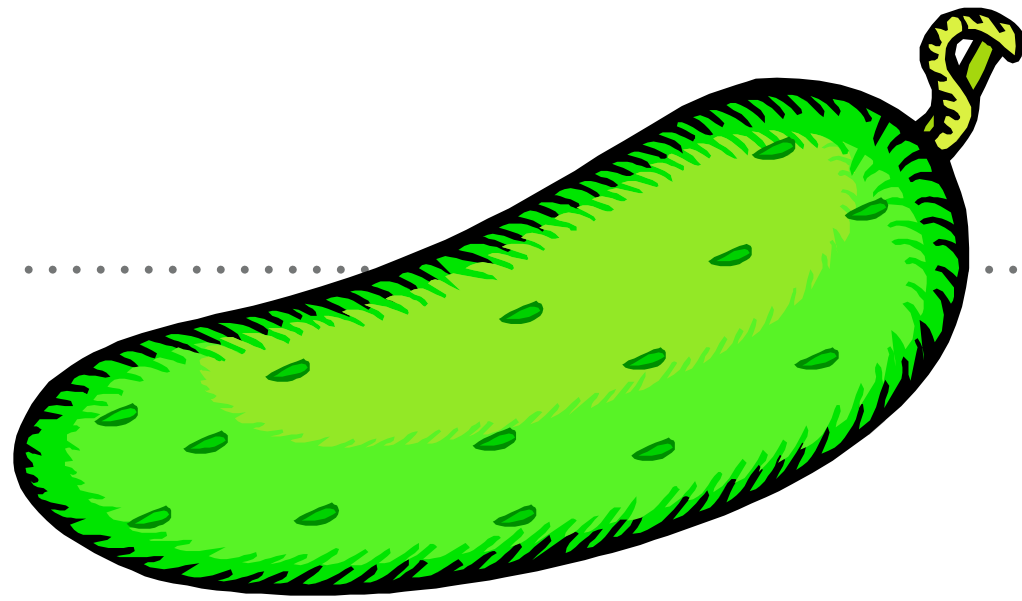
- Unit



# Cucumber & RSpec

- Integration testing describes *behavior* via features & scenarios (supports *behavior driven design* and *test driven development*)
- Unit testing tests individual modules that contribute to those behaviors ( used with *test driven development*)





# INTRODUCING CUCUMBER

# CUCUMBER (TOOL): BIG IDEA

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- Tests from customer-friendly user stories
  - Acceptance: ensure satisfied customer
  - Integration: ensure interfaces between modules consistent assumptions, communicate correctly.
- Cucumber meets halfway between customer and developer
  - User stories don't look like code, so clear to customer and can be used to reach agreement
  - Also aren't completely freeform, so can connect to real tests

# EXAMPLE USER STORY

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Feature: User can manually add movie

1 Feature

Scenario: Add a movie

≥1 Scenarios / Feature

Given I am on the RottenPotatoes home page

When I follow "Add new movie"

Then I should be on the Create New Movie page

When I fill in "Title" with "Men In Black"

And I select "PG-13" from "Rating"

And I press "Save Changes"

Then I should be on the RottenPotatoes home page

And I should see "Men In Black"

3 to 8 Steps / Scenario

# INTRO TO BDD AND TDD



# CUCUMBER USER STORY, FEATURE, AND STEPS

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- **User story:** refers to a single **feature**
- **Feature:** 1 or more **scenarios** that show different ways a feature is used
  - Keywords `Feature` and `Scenario` identify the respective components
- **Scenario:** 3 to 8 **steps** that describe scenario
- **Step definitions:** Ruby code that tests steps
  - Usually many steps per step definition

# 5 STEP KEYWORDS

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1. **Given** steps represent the state of the world before an event:  
preconditions
2. **When** steps represent the event  
(e.g., push a button)
3. **Then** steps represent the expected outcomes; check if its true
4. / 5. **And** and **But** extend the previous step



# STEPS, STEP DEFINITIONS, AND REGULAR EXPRESSIONS

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- User stories kept in one set of files: *steps*
- Separate set of files has Ruby code that tests steps: *step definitions*
- Step definitions are like method definitions, steps of scenarios are like method calls
- How match steps with step definitions?
- *Regexes to match the English phrases in steps of scenarios to step definitions!*
  - `Given /^(?:|\{ }I )am on (.+)\$/`
  - “I am on the Rotten Potatoes home page”

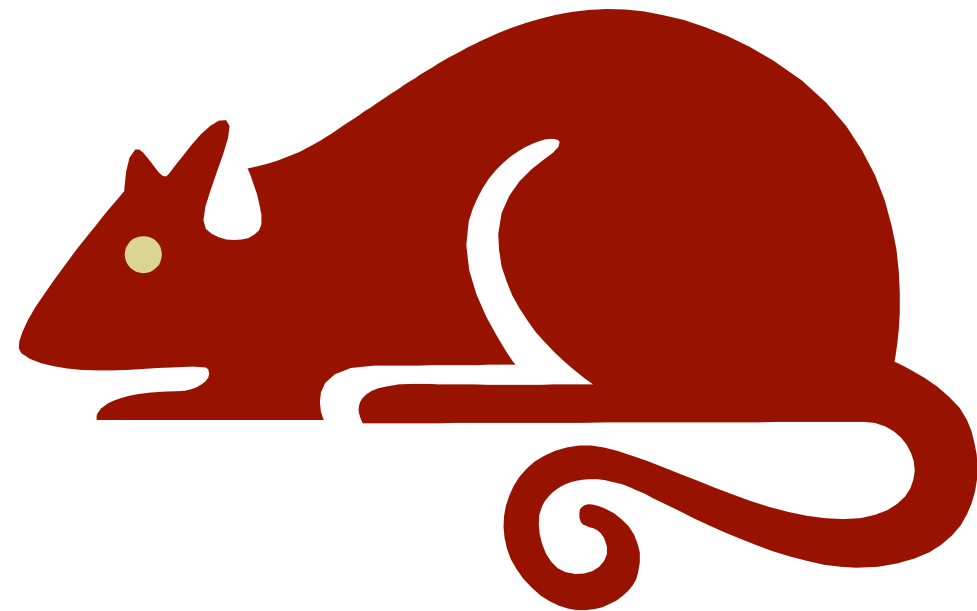
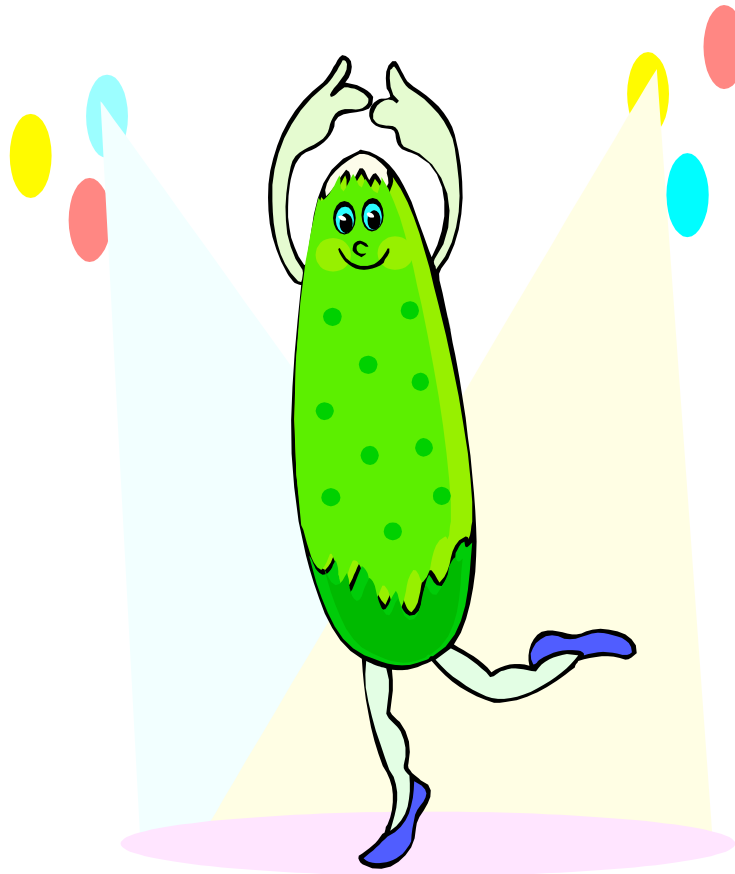
# RED-YELLOW-GREEN ANALYSIS

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- Cucumber colors steps
- **Green** for passing
- **Yellow** for not yet implemented
- **Red** for failing  
(then following steps are **Blue**)
- Goal: Make all steps green for pass  
(Hence green vegetable for name of tool)

# RUNNING CUCUMBER AND INTRODUCING CAPYBARA

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# CAPYBARA (SELENIUM ALSO RECOMMENDED)

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- Need tool to act like user that pretends to be user follow scenarios of user story
- Capybara simulates browser
  - Can interact with app to receive pages
  - Parse the HTML
  - Submit forms as a user would
- Cannot handle JavaScript
  - Other tool (Webdriver) can handle JS, but it runs a lot slower, won't need yet

# REVIEW

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- Agile – prototypes, iterate with customer
- BDD – Design of app before implementation
- User Story – all stakeholders write what features want on 3x5 cards
- Cucumber – magically turns 3x5 card user stories into acceptance tests for app
- Capybara - pretends to be a human interacting with a web browser

# VIDEO TO WATCH BEFORE YOU START IMPLEMENTING

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- Add feature to cover existing functionality
  - Kinda backwards- Just done for pedagogic reasons
- (Watch screencast:  
<http://vimeo.com/34754747>)

# SCENARIOS AND BEGINNING TDD





# TMDB WITH 2 SCENARIOS

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<http://pastebin/icQGrYCV>

Feature: User can add movie by searching for it in The Movie Database (TMDB)

As a movie fan

So that I can add new movies without manual tedium

I want to add movies by looking up their details in TMDB

Background: Start from the Search form on the home page

Given I am on the RottenPotatoes home page

Then I should see "Search TMDB for a movie"

Scenario: Try to add nonexistent movie (sad path)

When I fill in "Search Terms" with "Movie That Does Not Exist"

And I press "Search TMDB"

Then I should be on the RottenPotatoes home page

And I should see "'Movie That Does Not Exist' was not found in TMDB."

Scenario: Try to add existing movie

When I fill in "Search Terms" with "Inception"

And I press "Search TMDB"

Then I should be on the RottenPotatoes home page

And I should see "Inception"

And I should see "PG-13"

# HAPPY PATH OF TMDB

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- Find an existing movie, should return to Rotten Potatoes home page
- But some steps same on sad path and happy path
  - How make it DRY?
  - Background means steps performed before *each* scenario

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# SUMMARY

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- New feature => UI for feature, write new step definitions, even write new methods before Cucumber can color steps green
- Usually do happy paths first
- Background lets us DRY out scenarios of same feature
- BDD tests behavior; TDD/BDD used together in next chapter to write methods to make all scenarios pass

# EXPLICIT VS. IMPLICIT AND IMPERATIVE VS. DECLARATIVE

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# EXPLICIT VS. IMPLICIT SCENARIOS

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- Explicit requirements usually part of acceptance tests => likely explicit user stories and scenarios
- Implicit requirements are logical consequence of explicit requirements, typically integration testing
  - Movies listed in chronological order or alphabetical order?

# IMPERATIVE VS. DECLARATIVE SCENARIOS

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- Imperative: specifying logical sequence that gets to desired result
  - Initial user stories usually have lots of steps
  - Complicated When statements and And steps
- Declarative: try to make a Domain Language from steps, and write scenarios declaratively
- Easier to write declaratively as create more steps and more Rails experience



# EXAMPLE IMPERATIVE SCENARIO

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- Given I am on the RottenPotatoes home page
- When I follow "Add new movie"
- Then I should be on the Create New Movie page
- When I fill in "Title" with "Zorro"
- And I select "PG" from "Rating"
- And I press "Save Changes"
- Then I should be on the RottenPotatoes home page
- When I follow "Add new movie"
- Then I should be on the Create New Movie page
- When I fill in "Title" with "Apocalypse Now"
- And I select "R" from "Rating"
- And I press "Save Changes"
- Then I should be on the RottenPotatoes home page
- And I should see "Apocalypse Now" before "Zorro"

Only 1 step specifying behavior;  
Rest are really implementation.  
But BDD should be about design

# EXAMPLE DECLARATIVE SCENARIO

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- Given I have added "Zorro" with rating "PG-13"
- And I have added "Apocalypse Now" with rating "R"
- And I am on the RottenPotatoes home page sorted by title
- Then I should see "Apocalypse Now" before "Zorro" on the Rotten Potatoes home page

# Declarative Scenario Needs New Step Definitions

## DECLARATIVE SCENARIO -> NEW STEP DEFINITIONS

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```
1. Given /I have added "(.*)" with rating "(.*)" / do |title, rating|
2.   steps %Q{
3.     Given I am on the Create New Movie page
4.     When I fill in "Title" with "#{title}"
5.     And I select "#{rating}" from "Rating"
6.     And I press "Save Changes"
7.   }
8. end
9.
10. Then /I should see "(.*)" before "(.*)" on (.*) / do |string1, string2,
    path|
11.   step "I am on #{path}"
12.   regexp = /#{string1}.*#{string2}/m # /m means match across newlines
13.   page.body.should =~ regexp
14. end
```

- As app evolves, reuse steps from first few imperative scenarios -> more concise, descriptive declarative scenarios
- Declarative scenarios focus attention on feature being described and tested vs. steps needed to set up test

# PITFALLS

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- Customers who confuse mock-ups with completed features
  - May be difficult for nontechnical customers to distinguish a polished digital mock-up from a working feature
- Solution: LoFi UI on paper clearly *proposed* vs. implemented

# PITFALLS

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- Sketches without storyboards
  - Sketches are static
  - Interactions with SaaS app = sequence of actions over time
- “Animating” the Lo-Fi sketches helps prevent misunderstandings before turning stories into tests and code
  - “OK, you clicked on that button, here’s what you see; is that what you expected?”

# PITFALLS

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- Adding cool features that do not make the product more successful
  - Customers reject what programmers liked
  - User stories help prioritize, reduce wasted effort

# PITFALLS

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- Trying to predict what code you need before need it
  - BDD: write tests *before* you write code you need, then write code needed to pass the tests
  - No need to predict, wasting development



# PITFALLS

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- Careless use of negative expectations
  - Beware of overusing “Then I should not see....”
  - Can’t tell if output is what want, only that it is not what you want
  - Many, many outputs are incorrect
  - Include positives to check results  
“Then I should see ...”

# PROS AND CONS OF BDD

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- Pro: BDD/user stories - common language for all stakeholders, including nontechnical
  - 3x5 cards
  - LoFi UI sketches and storyboards
- Pro: Write tests before coding
  - Validation by testing vs. debugging
- Con: Difficult to have continuous contact with customer?
- Con: Leads to bad software architecture?
  - Will cover patterns, refactoring 2<sup>nd</sup> half of course

# BEGINNING TDD WITH UNIT TESTING

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RED- RED- GREEN-GREEN-REFACTOR

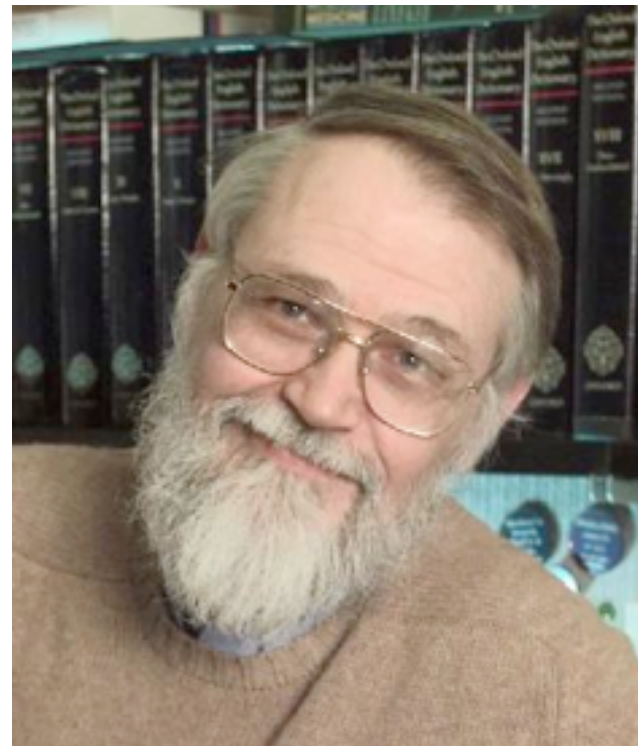


**Debugging Sucks!**



**Testing Rocks!**

Debugging is twice as hard as writing the code in the first place. Therefore, if you write the code as cleverly as possible, you are, by definition, not smart enough to debug it.



Testing can never demonstrate the \_\_\_\_\_ of errors in software, only their \_\_\_\_\_



# Survey Finds 58% of Software Bugs Result from Test Infrastructure and Process, Not Design Defects

## *Developers Prefer Taxes to Dealing with Software Testing*

**Sunnyvale, Calif. — June 2, 2010** Electric Cloud®, the leading provider of software production management (SPM) solutions, today released the results of a survey conducted in partnership with Osterman Research showing that the majority of software bugs are attributed to poor testing procedures or infrastructure limitations rather than design problems. Additionally, the software test process is generally considered an unpleasant process, with software development professionals rating the use of their companies' test systems more painful than preparing taxes.

Fifty-eight percent of respondents pointed to problems in the testing process or infrastructure as the cause of their last major bug found in delivered or deployed software, not design defects.

Specifically, the survey found:

- ✓ Completely automated software testing environments are still rare, with just 12 percent of software development organizations using fully automated test systems. Almost 10 percent reported that all testing was done manually.

# Testing Today

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## ➤ Before

- developers finish code, some ad-hoc testing
- “toss over the wall to Quality Assurance [QA]”
- QA people manually poke at software

## ➤ Today/Agile

- testing is part of *every* Agile iteration
- developers responsible for testing own code
- testing tools & processes highly automated;
- QA/testing group improves *testability* & *tools*

# Testing Today

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## ➤ Before

➤ developers finish code, covered by testing

➤ *Software Quality is the result of a good process, rather than the responsibility of one specific group*

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# BDD+TDD: The Big Picture

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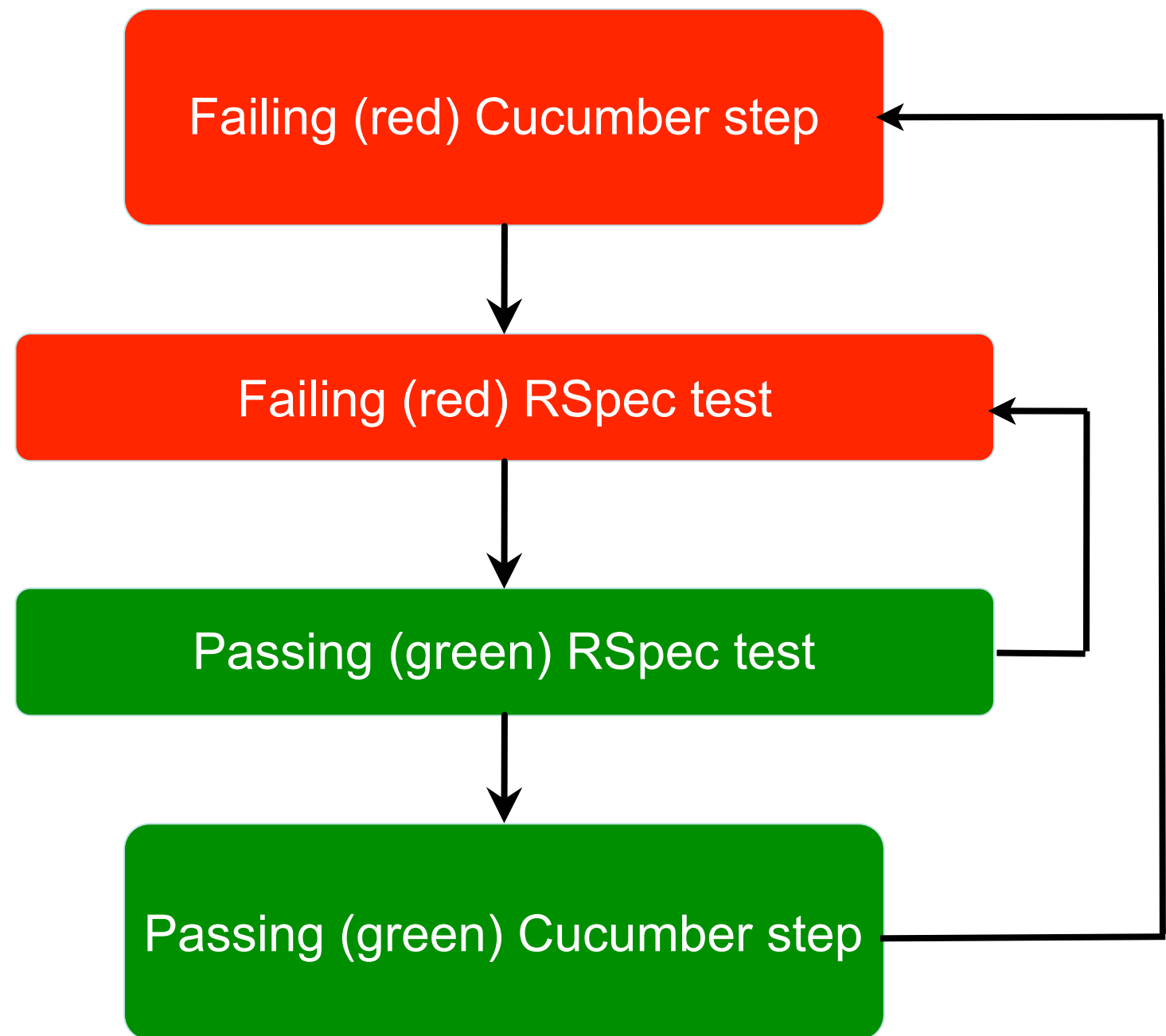
- Behavior-driven design (BDD) and Integration Testing
  - develop user stories to describe features
  - via Cucumber, user stories become *acceptance tests* and *integration tests*
- Test-driven development (TDD)- now including unit testing
  - *step definitions* for new story, may require new code to be written
  - TDD says: write unit & functional tests for that code *first*, **before** the code itself
  - that is: write tests for *the code you wish you had*
  - via Cucumber and Rspec



# Cucumber & RSpec

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# FIRST, TDD, and Getting Started With RSpec

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- Fast: run (subset of) tests quickly (since you'll be running them *all the time*)
- Independent: no tests depend on others, so can run *any subset in any order*
- Repeatable: run N times, get same result (to help isolate bugs and enable automation)
- Self-checking: test can *automatically* detect if passed (*no human checking* of output)
- Timely: written about the same time as code under test (with TDD, written *first!*)

# RSpec, a Domain-Specific Language for testing

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- DSL: small programming language that simplifies one task at expense of generality
  - examples so far: migrations, regexes, SQL
- RSpec tests are called *specs*, and inhabit **spec** directory

<code>app/models/*.rb</code>	<code>spec/models/*_spec.rb</code>
<code>app/controllers/ *_controller.rb</code>	<code>spec/controllers/ *_controller_spec.rb</code>
<code>app/views/**/*.html.haml</code>	<code>(use Cucumber!)</code>

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<http://pastebin.com/kJxjwSF6>

# EXAMPLE (SEE PASTEBIN LINK ON PRIOR SLIDE)

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```

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```

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search'
```

```
    it 'should select the Search Results template for  
rendering'
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```
    it 'should make the TMDb search results available to that  
template'
```

```
  end
```

```
end
```



# The TDD Cycle:

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## Red—Green—Refactor

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```

# Test-First development

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- Think about one thing the code *should* do
- Capture that thought in a test, which fails
- Write the simplest possible code that lets the test pass
- Refactor: DRY out commonality w/other tests
- Continue with next thing code should do

**Red** – **Green** – Refactor

*Aim for “always have working code”*

# TDD for the Controller action: Setup

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- Add a route to `config/routes.rb`

*# Route that posts 'Search TMDb' form*

```
post '/movies/search_tmdb'
```

- Convention over configuration will map this to

`MoviesController#search_tmdb`

- Create an empty view:

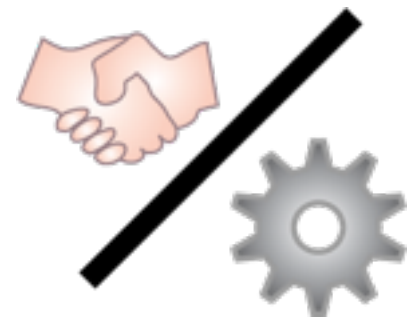
```
touch app/views/movies/search_tmdb.html.haml
```

- Replace fake “hardwired” method in

`movies_controller.rb` with empty method:

```
def search_tmdb
```

```
end
```



# What model method?

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- Calling TMDB is responsibility of the model... but no model method exists to do this yet!
- No problem...we'll use a seam to test the *code we wish we had* (“**CWWWH**”), `Movie.find_in_tmdb`
- Game plan:
  - Simulate POSTing search form to controller action.
  - Check that controller action *tries to call* `Movie.find_in_tmdb` with data from submitted form.
  - The test will fail (**red**), because the (empty) controller method *doesn't* call `find_in_tmdb`.
  - Fix controller action to make **green**.

<http://pastebin.com/zKnwphQZ>

# MOVIES\_CONTROLLER\_SPEC.RB

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```

```
      Movie.should_receive(:find_in_tmdb).with('hardware')
```

```
      post :search_tmdb, {:search_terms => 'hardware'}
```

```
    end
```

```
  end
```

```
end
```



# Seams

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- A place where you can change your app's *behavior* without editing the *code*. (Michael Feathers, *Working Effectively With Legacy Code*)
- Useful for testing: *isolate* behavior of some code from that of other code it depends on.
- `should_receive` uses Ruby's open classes to create a seam for isolating controller action from behavior of (possibly buggy or missing) `Movie.find_in_tmdb`
- Rspec *resets* all mocks & stubs after *each example* (keep tests **I**ndependent)

# How to make this spec green?

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➤ Expectation says controller action should call `Movie.find_in_tmdb`

➤ So, let's call it!

<http://pastebin.com/DxzFURiu>

```
def search_tmdb
  Movie.find_in_tmdb(params[:search_terms])
end
```

The spec has *driven* the creation of the controller method to pass the test.

➤ But shouldn't `find_in_tmdb` *return* something?

# Test techniques we know

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obj.should\_receive(a).with(b)

Optional!

