

Software Construction

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What this course is about

- You all know programming, right?
- But what is good code?
- How to reason about good code?
- What is beautiful code?
- Think about it.

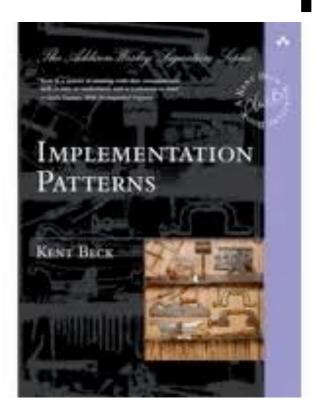
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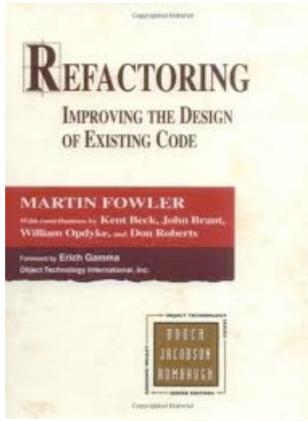
- Data structures
- Algorithms
- Programming language X
- Paradigm X (though: OO)
- GUI programming
- Web applications

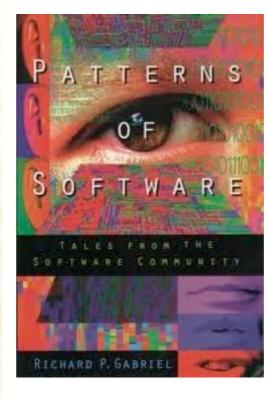
- Concurrency
- Performance
- Graphics programming
- Mathematics
- Computational complexity

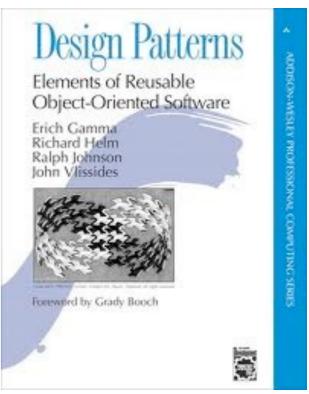
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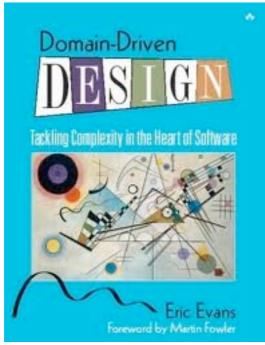
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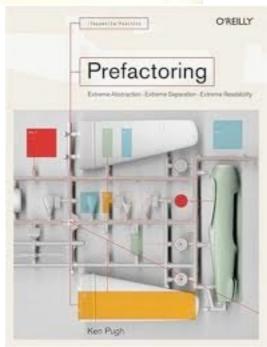


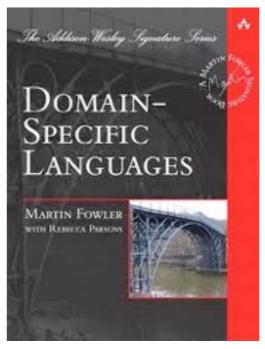






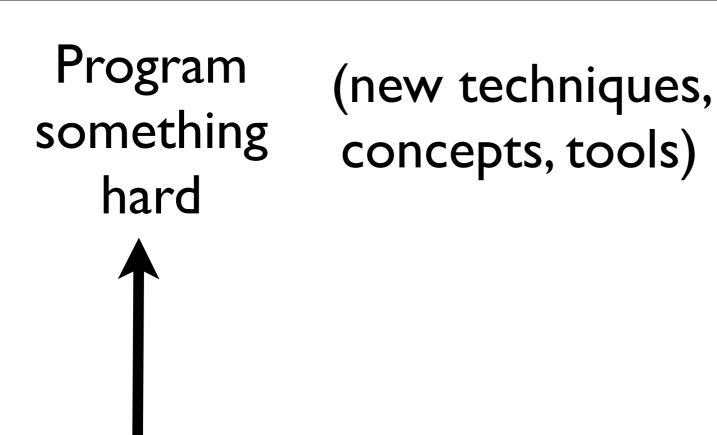






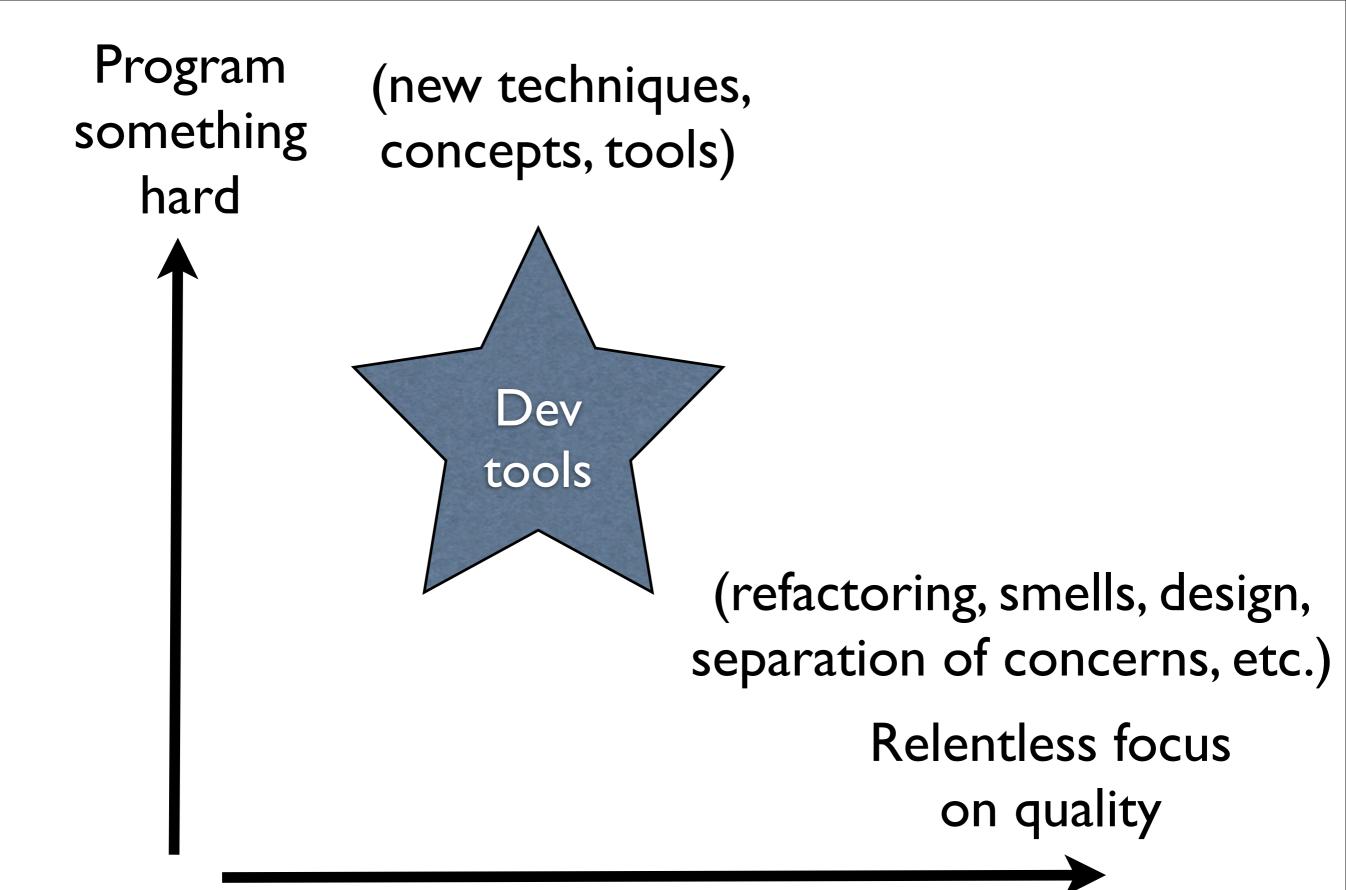
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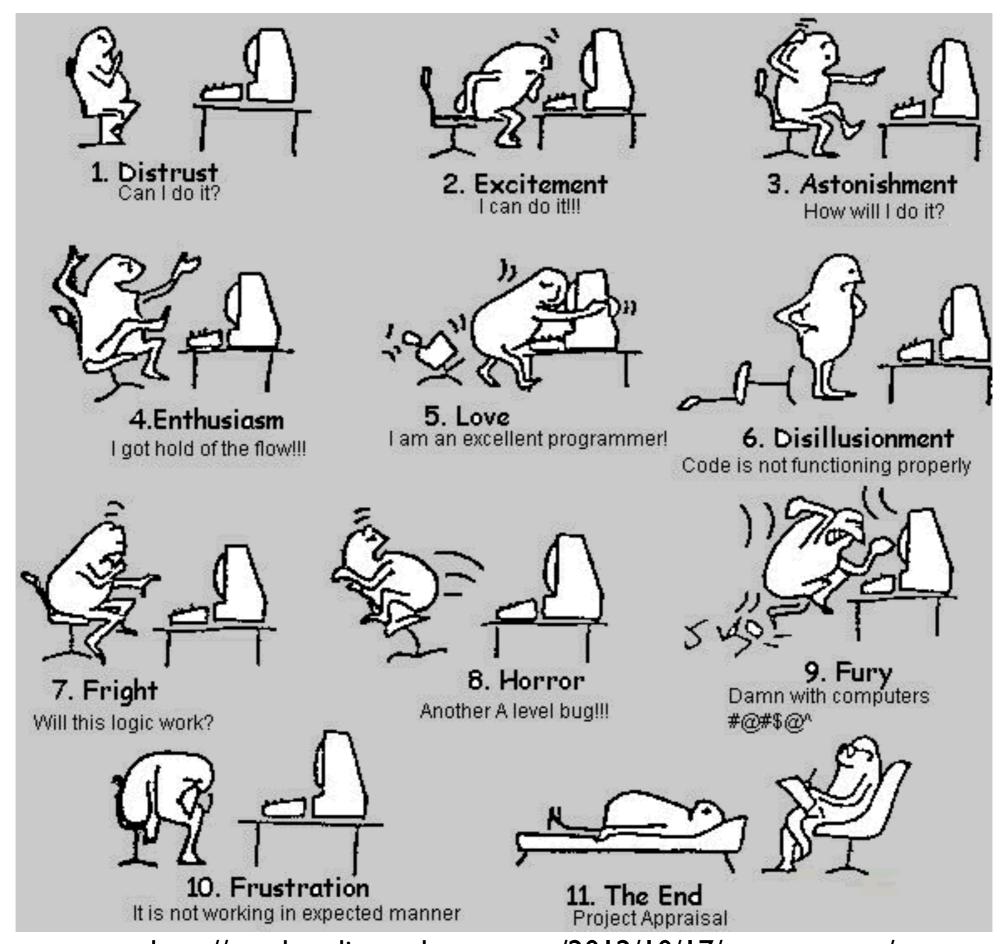
- Create good low level designs
- Produce clean, readable code
- Reflect upon techniques, patterns, guidelines etc.
- Assess the quality of code
- Apply state of the art software construction tools



(refactoring, smells, design, separation of concerns, etc.)

Relentless focus on quality



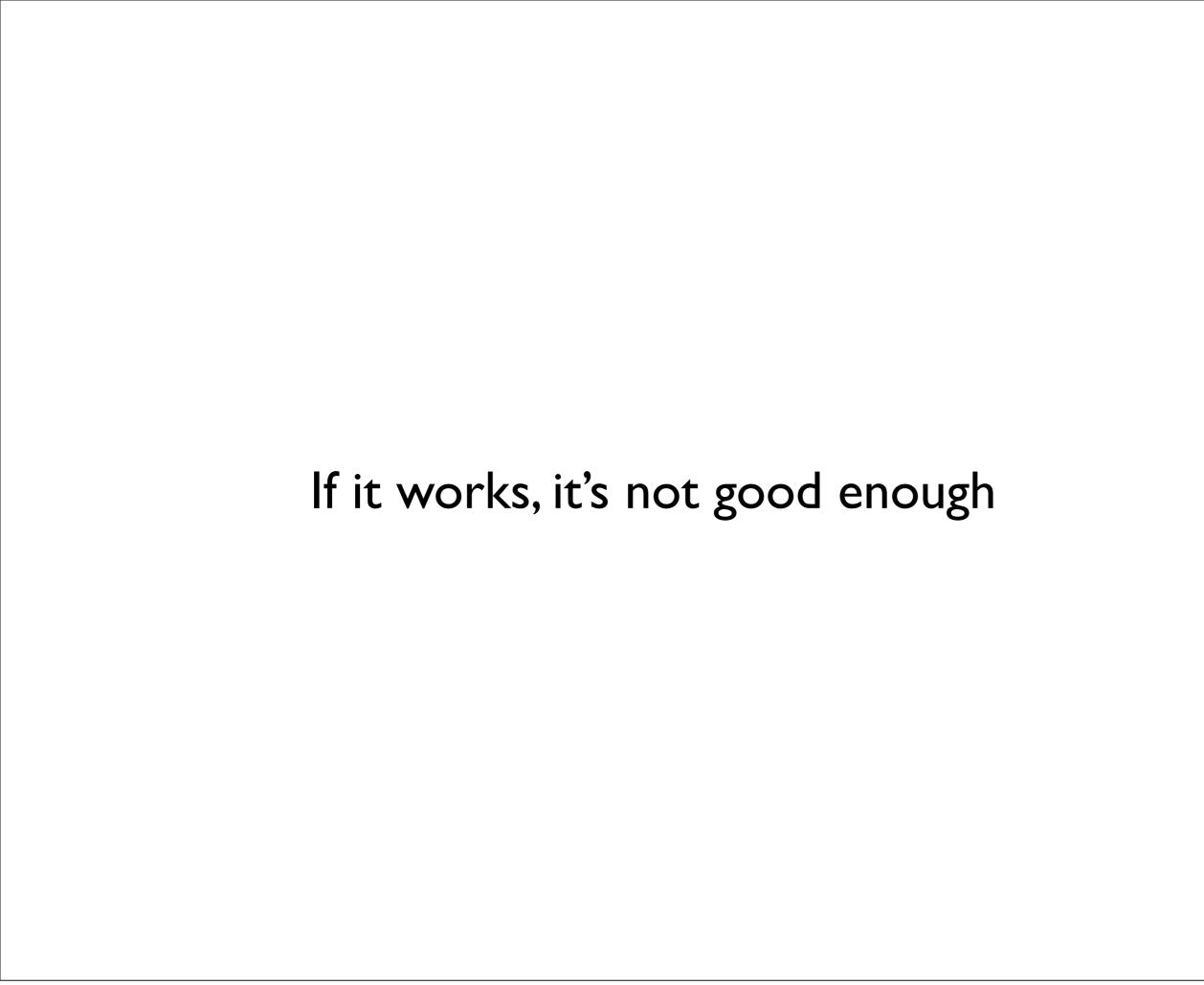


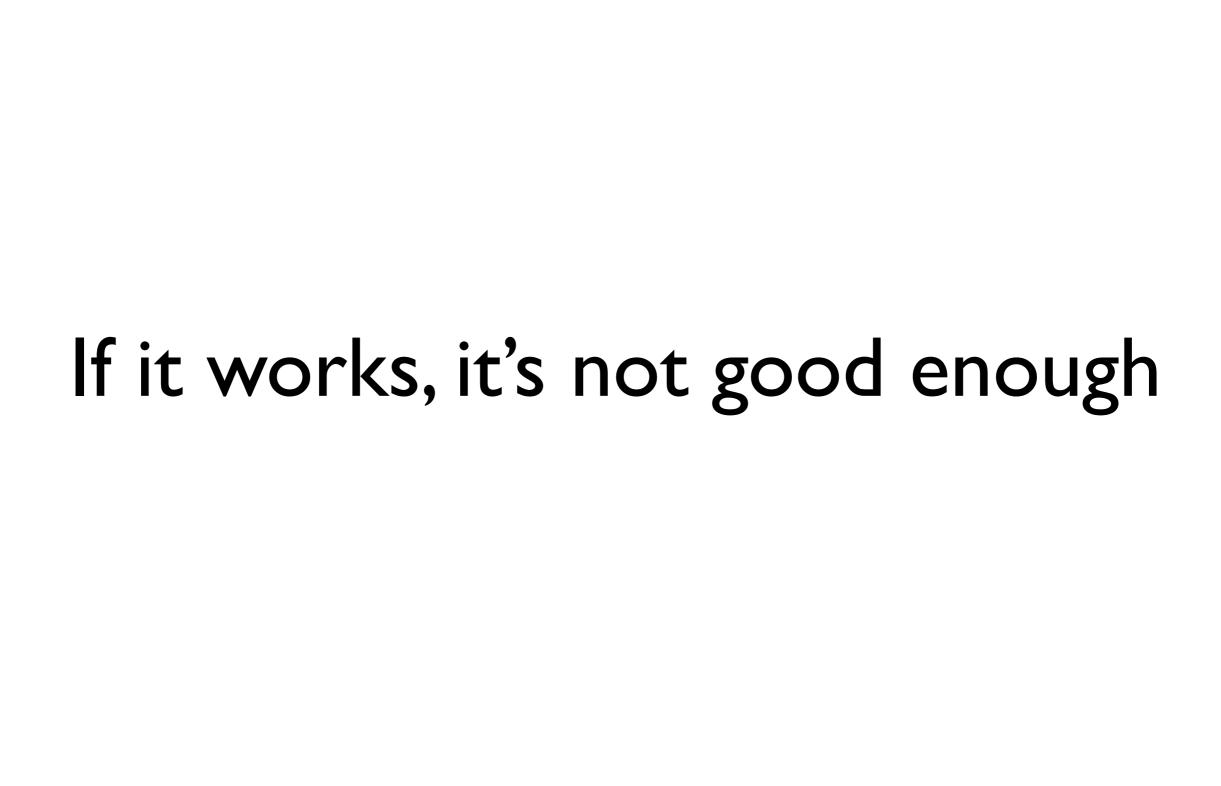
http://candraadi.wordpress.com/2012/10/17/programmer/



This course

- Quality comes first
- Be your own worst critic
- Refactor mercilessly
- Aim to become code literati
- Better to read code, than to write code
- If it works it's not good enough





If it works, it's not good enough

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If it works, it's not good enough Working code is necessary, but not sufficient

Overview

- Lectures
- Theory
- Research paper + review
- Lab assignment
- Concluding

Lectures



Topics of the lectures

- Syntax analysis: grammars, parsers
- Domain-specific languages: why and why not
- Code quality: tangling, scattering, duplication, smells
- Language engineering: interpreters, type checking.

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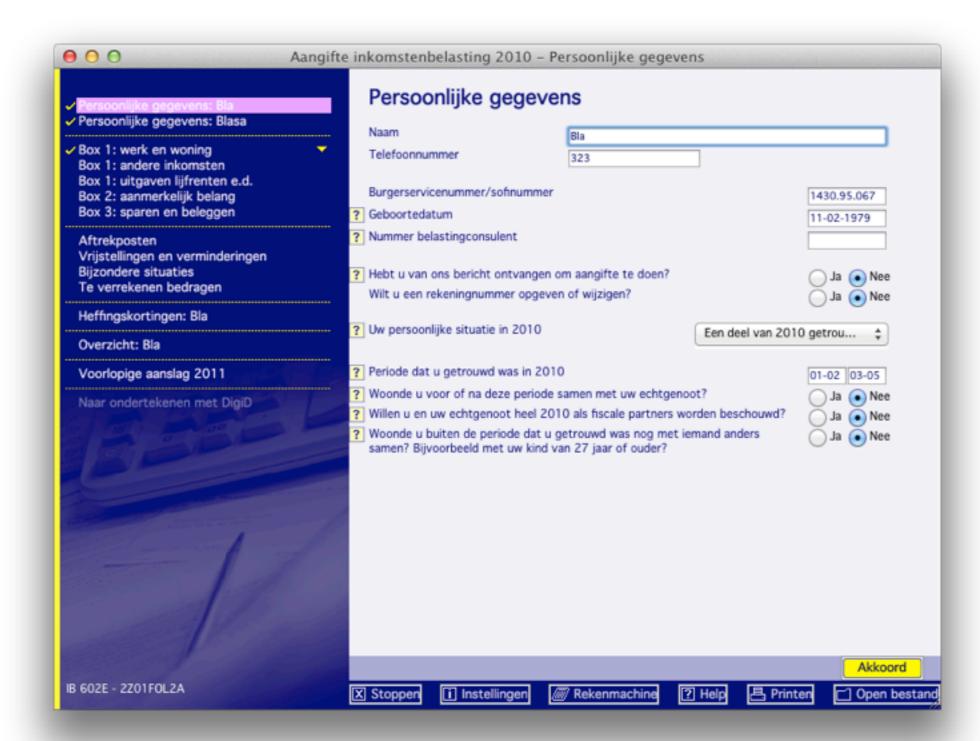
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Take home exam

- Work out assignments at home
- No grade, but you must pass them
- Additional material
 - Exercises in Programming Style (by Crista Lopes)



Lab assignment



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Questionnaire Language (QL)

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   "Did you by a house in 2010?" hasBoughtHouse: boolean
   "Did you enter a loan for maintenance/reconstruction?"
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   if (hasSoldHouse) {
        "Private debts for the sold house:" privateDebt: money
        "Price the house was sold for:" sellingPrice: money
        "Value residue:" valueResidue = sellingPrice - privateDebt
   }
}
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Language Workbench Challenge 2013

Part I: front end

- Parser: text to abstract syntax tree (AST)
- AST hierarchy
- Type checker

Programming language

- Use any programming language that's in the list on github
- Java: you may want to use one of the provided parsing skeleton
 - Rats!, Jacc, ANTLR

Part 2: Back end

- Implement questionnaire engine
- GUI representation of questionnaire
- Build an interpreter

Honor's track

- Do the assignment Object Algebra style
 - show extensibility of the language
 - implement additional operations
- Implement graphical editor framework on top of Rascal
 - Evaluate using QL assignment

Github

- Assignment to be completed individually
 - (except honor's track)
- http://github.com/software-engineeringamsterdam/poly-ql/
- Use of this repository is required!
- Commit often!

Grading of lab assignments

- Functionality
- Tests
- Simplicity
- Modularity
- Layout and style
- Separation of concerns



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Some advice up-front

- Naming, layout, indentation
- Encapsulation, modularity, separation of concerns, reuse
- Don't repeat yourself (DRY)
- Library and tool selection and use
- Unit testing

More advice

- Use asserts sensibly
- No global, static, non-final variables
- You ain't going to need it (YAGNI)
- Avoid premature optimization
- Use comments for rationale
- Compiling and working code

Grading (ctd.)

- First part: your grade is indicative
 - hint to improve your code
- Second part: we review all code
 - this will be your final grade for the lab
- Grading is on-site: you show your code
- Grade is less important than personal improvement is

Passing this course

- Be present at all lectures
- Pass the 2 theory tests
- Successfully complete lab assignments
 - = beautiful, working code
- Final grade: final lab grade

Concluding

- All information is on Github
- Primary contact = me (<u>storm@cwi.nl</u>)
- Please follow @SoftwCons

What's next

- For the remaing time:
 - start searching for parser generators
 - Tweet link + programming language
 @SoftwCons
 - #pgen