ALEX ROZUMII, TOPTAL

TESTS ARE NOT YOUR ORDINARY CODE

WHO AMI?

WHY TESTING?

TALK STRUCTURE

- Lot of boring bullet points
 - I've found the 'Keynote' app in my laptop!
- More abstract things first
- More real-world stuff down the road
- ...and yes, tell me please where I'm wrong

TESTING

WHAT IS NOT PRESENTED HERE

- ▶ How to get a job as a QA. Sorry, developers
- Stress testing vs load testing
- Test plan
- Bug workflow
- Test case
- Types of testing
- QA vs QC vs quality management

AT ITS CORE, TESTING IS THE PROCESS OF COMPARING "WHAT IS" WITH "WHAT OUGHT TO BE"

Lee Copeland

WHAT IS TESTING AUTOMATION?

Test automation is the use of special software to control the execution of tests and the comparison of actual outcomes with predicted outcomes.

PATH CONCEPT

- Developers usually focus on the positive path (aka happy path)
- But... That's not the only path
- What about bad data (Sad Path)
- Hacker attacks (Evil Path)
- Web services going down (Weird Path)?

TEST DESIGN

WTF IS TEST DESIGN?

90% of audience

EXAMPLE

- Consider a printer that has an input option of the number of copies to be made, from 1 to 99.
- Three classes:
 - < 1 invalid</p>
 - ▶ 1-99 valid
 - >99 invalid

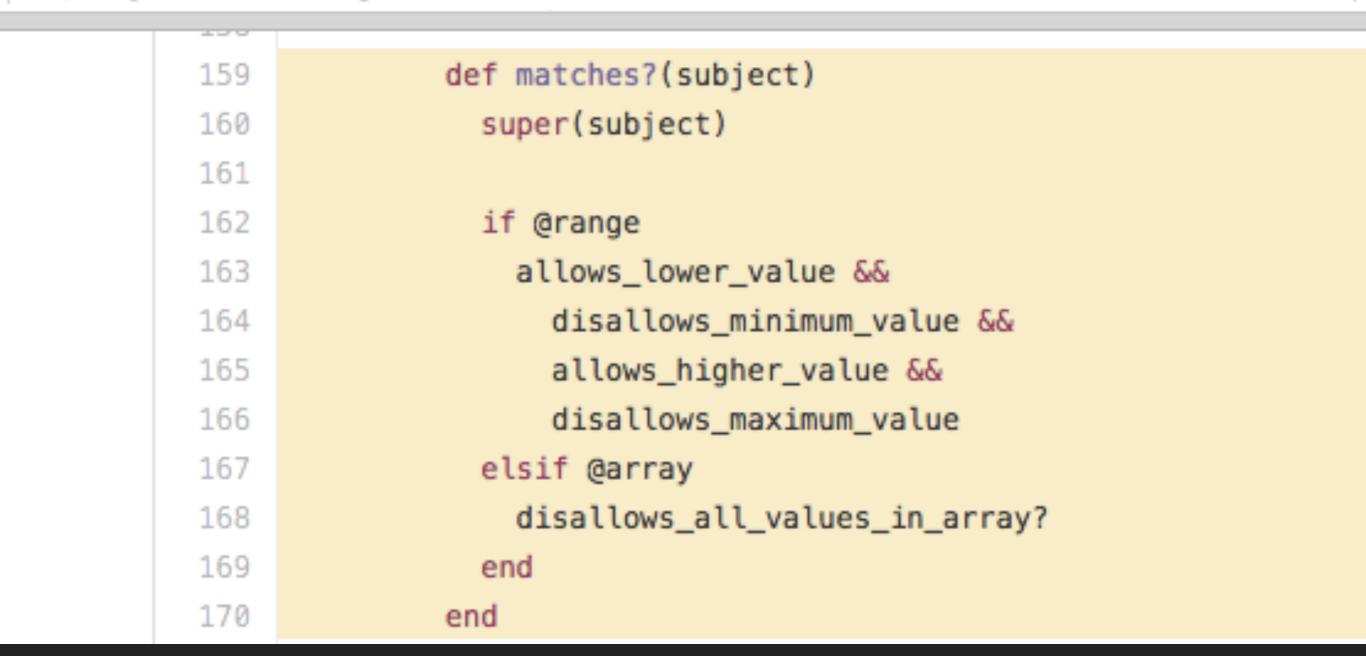
EQUIVALENCE CLASS PARTITIONING

The idea behind this technique is to divide a set of test conditions into groups or sets that can be considered the same.

EXAMPLE

- Boundaries:
 - **>** < 1
 - **>** 0
 - ▶ 1-99 valid
 - **1**
 - > 99
 - >99 invalid
 - **100**

https://github.com/thoughtbot/shoulda-matchers/blob/afa6a7b6661a0d4450d330922c2cf



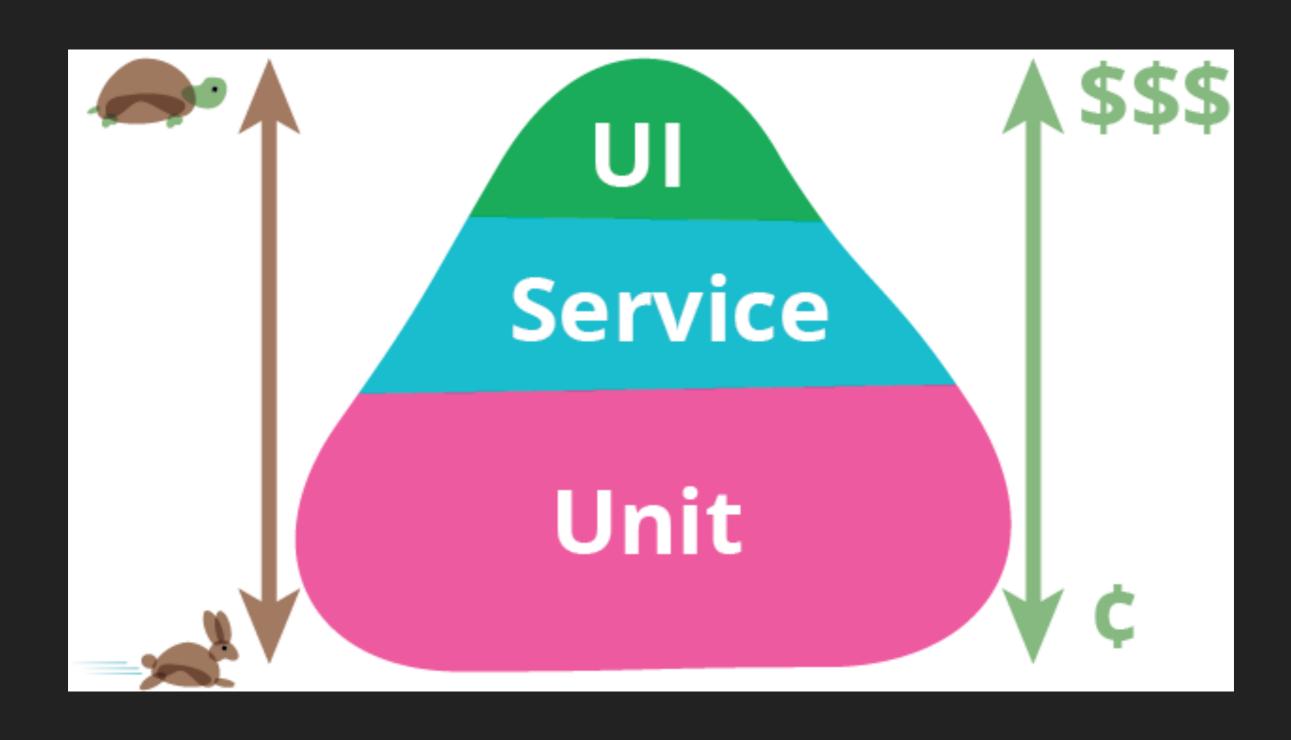
LEVELS OF TESTING (CLASSIC)

- Unit testing
- Component testing
- Integration testing
- Component integration testing
- System integration testing
- Alpha testing
- Beta testing

LEVELS OF TESTING (PRACTICAL)

- It's relative. Your unit might be someone else's component.
- So, basically, it gets down to induction:
 - A. Get a small block
 - B. Test it
 - C. Combine few tested blocks
 - D. Do integration testing on them
 - E. Given the thing we've just tested is a small block, go to (A)

TESTING PYRAMID



NICE THING ABOUT LEVELS OF TESTING

If you have a bug - than you have at least one gap at each level of your testing. ;)

TESTING AND DEVELOPMENT

FOCUS OF DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ Functionality ↑
- Correctness 1
- Performance 1

FOCUS OF TESTING

- Functionality ~
 - Depends on test design
- ▶ Correctness ↑ ↑ ↑
 - Explicitness
- Performance ~

STANDARD DEVELOPMENT APPROACHES

- DRY
- SRP
- More abstractions
- Use all the features of language

TESTING

- Simpler is better
 - Even capybara-like implicitness is considered harmful
- One case one test
- Less abstractions
- Less language features used

TESTING PATTERNS?

- Okay, I needed to say about those
- Page object
- Composition
- Factory
- Decorator
- Hardcoding

IF YOU CAN'T BUILD A WELL-STRUCTURED MONOLITH, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN BUILD A WELL-STRUCTURED SET OF MICROSERVICES?

Simon Brown

MODULARITY

- Testability is one of the architecture attributes
- Number of system states:
 average_unit_permutation_number ^ unit_number
 - 5 units, 10 permutations each, 9,765,625 states of a system.
 - ▶ 10 units, 5 permutation each, 100,000 states of a system.

USING MODULARITY TO IMPROVE TESTABILITY

- Less states of each part -> less cases (SRP)
- Smaller interfaces -> easier to reproduce (ISP)
- Hiding implementation details -> simpler to write appropriate tests
- It's hard to test something
 - Maybe it's a god object?
 - Maybe something can be extracted?

LET'S HAVE SOME REAL-LIFE CASES

IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

```
allow(Subscription).to receive(:new).with(params).and_call_original
allow_any_instance_of(Subscription).to receive(:valid?).and_return(true)
allow_any_instance_of(Subscription).to receive(:receipt).and_return({})
allow_any_instance_of(Subscription).to receive(:trial?).and_return(false)
```

LET'S (NOT) DO SOME META!

```
it_behaves_like :resource,
  resource_name: :photo,
  resource_class: Photo,
  resource_path_name: :photo_path,
  delete_route_name: 'DELETE /photosessions/:id'
```

HARDCODING

```
When 'I fill the user form' do
  @data = {
    name: 'Peter3',
    surname: 'Griffin3',
    dead: true
}
```

WE ALREADY HAVE THIS CODE IN THE APP!

```
RSpec.describe Admin do

before(:each) do
    # fill data
    task = Rake::Task['test:deals_data'] rescue nil
    Rails.application.load_tasks unless task
    Rake::Task['test:deals_data'].execute
end
```

WHAT'S WRONG HERE?

```
factory :user do
  first_name { "name#{::User.count + 1}" }
  last_name { "surname#{::User.count + 1}" }
  middle_name { "mdl#{::User.count + 1}" }
```

OBSOLETE DETAILS

SUMMARY

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- Split and simplify everything in tests less is more
- Limit the size of test suite (test design helps)
- Follow not only the 'happy' path
- Read the docs for the test tool;)

THANKS!

QUESTIONS!