Software Testing 2017 TDD & BDD Overview

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Topics

- Purpose of Testing
- Test Driven Development
- Behavioral Driven Design (BDD)

- # Software Testing...
- Is an empirical
- technical
- investigation
- conducted to provide stakeholders
- with information
- about the quality
- of the product or service under test

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Test Driven Development

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Repeat while employed

Understand a requirement

Write a test

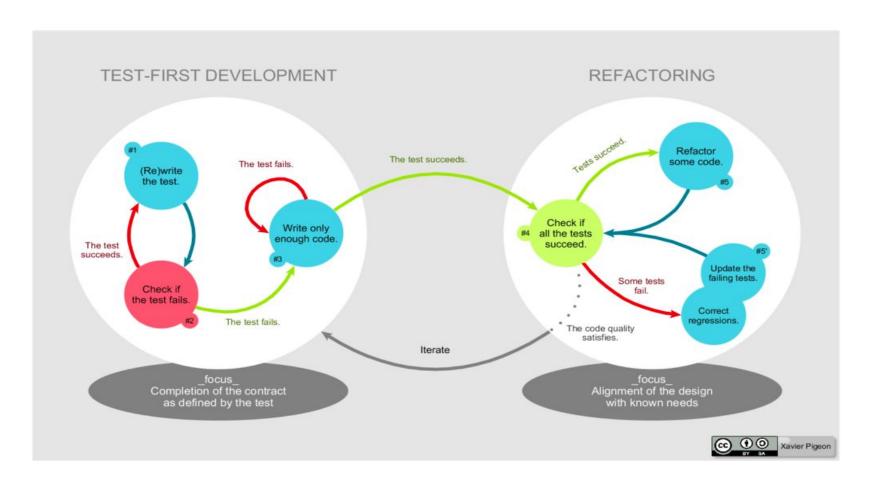
Observe it fail ← permission to code

Write code to make the test run

Observe it working

Repeat

The TDD Cycle



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test-driven_development

The Unittest Framework

Available under many languages
Unit test suites -- collections of tests
Unit tests -- individual tests
Framework to organize the tests

Python/Unittest -

https://docs.python.org/3/library/unittest.html

Module Testing

Link directly to module being tested.

Call procedures and methods of module

Can test module exhaustively

Difficult to simulate effects of environment

Web Service Testing

Use something like "requests" library Used to make HTTP/HTTPS requests to web servers.

Results are examined to determine test results.

http://docs.python-requests.org/en/master/

Web Application Testing

Use Python WebDriver module
Ability to connect to web GUI directly
Remotely operate a web browser
Can connect to lots of languages

http://selenium-python.readthedocs.io/

Behaviour Driven Development

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- A continued refinement of TDD
- Emphasize collaboration with stakeholders

Unit tests are about specific features

- BDD tests start out with requirements
 - Emphasizing business value
 - Stated in terms of user experience

A BDD Requirement

- Example

In order to keep track of stock

As a store owner

I want to add items back to stock when they're returned.

- Includes
 - Purpose or benefit
 - Who wants it
 - What needs to happen

A BDD Criteria or Scenario

- Example

Scenario 1: Refunded items should be returned to stock

Given that a customer previously bought a black sweater from me

And I have three black sweaters in stock.

When he returns the black sweater for a refund

Then I should have four black sweaters in stock.

- Includes

- Initial condition
- Event or action
- Outcome

Python 'behave' Scenario

Feature: showing off behave

Scenario: run a simple test

Given we have behave installed

when we implement a test

then behave will test it for us!

...this is in a _feature_ file.

Python 'behave' Implementation

```
from behave import *
@given('we have behave installed')
def step impl(context):
    pass
@when('we implement a test')
def step impl(context):
    assert True is not False
@then('behave will test it for us!')
def step_impl(context):
    assert context.failed is False
```

'behave' module

- \$ pip install behave
- create file structure
 - feature file
 - ./steps/xxx.py implementation files
 - example:

```
features/
features/everything.feature
features/steps/
features/steps/steps.py
```

- \$ behave

'behave' Results

```
% behave
Feature: showing off behave # tutorial/tutorial.feature:1

Scenario: run a simple test # tutorial/tutorial.feature:3
    Given we have behave installed # tutorial/steps/tutorial.py:3
    When we implement a test # tutorial/steps/tutorial.py:7
    Then behave will test it for us! # tutorial/steps/tutorial.py:11

1 feature passed, 0 failed, 0 skipped
1 scenario passed, 0 failed, 0 skipped
3 steps passed, 0 failed, 0 skipped, 0 undefined
```

The 'behave' Tutorial

- http://pythonhosted.org/behave/tutorial.html
- Work through examples with me in class
- Try some examples of your own

*** THIS IS A HUGELY VALUABLE TECHNOLOGY

- There are others: cucumber, jbehave, rspec, etc.
- The ideas are very similar

Closing Concepts

- * Unit tests (i.e. unit-test style tests) verify that systems behave the way that developers believe they should behave.
- * Behaviour tests verify that systems behave the way that all participating stakeholders believe they should behave.
- * Readable tests make that happen.