

TDD on the Server

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Why Start With Server?

Common Place to
Test

Mostly Logic

Easier to Automate



Challenges On the Server

Routing

Database
Interactions

Knowing What To
Test



Goals of TDD on The Server

Place code in the **best** location

Logic covered by **tests**



What Are We Building?

Rating Application

- Allow people to rate an event
- Provide comments about their rating
- See how others rate events



Starting With the Model

- **Name**
 - Railroad Days
 - Settler's Days
- **Description**
 - Historical railroad landmarks.
 - Celebration of our town's founding. Complete with food & rides
- **Average Score**
- **Ratings**
- **Comments**



Pseudo-Model

```
{  
  name: "Railroad Days",  
  description: "Historical railroad  
landmarks",  
  averageRating: 3.7  
  ratings: [  
    rating: 4,  
    comment: "Ride the steam engine!"  
  ]  
}
```


TO THE CODE!



More Than Models



Interacting with **Models**

**Models by
themselves not
helpful**

Client needs access

Need **API** routes

Structure of API

- **Routes**

- /events – Access information about events
- /events/{id}/reviews– Access reviews for an event

- **Actions**

- GET – Fetch data
- POST – Add data
- PUT – Update data
- DELETE – Remove data



Why not API **First**?

Keep focus on what is
unique to **this**
application

Keep responsibilities
separate

Next logical **building**
block

Sample API Request

Request Url: `api.example.com/events`

Request Method: GET

Returns: [

 {eventModel},

 {eventModel}

 ...

]

TO THE CODE!

GET Events

Request Url: `api.example.com/events`

Request Method: GET

Returns: [

 {eventModel},

 {eventModel}

 ...

]

GET Single Event

Request Url: `api.example.com/events/{id}`

Request Method: GET

Returns: {

`id: {id},`

`name: {eventName},`

`ratings: [{rating}, {rating}]`

}



Final Step of API

Routes

- How consumer gets to data

Controller

- Go-between consumer & model

Models

- Logic
- Business Objects

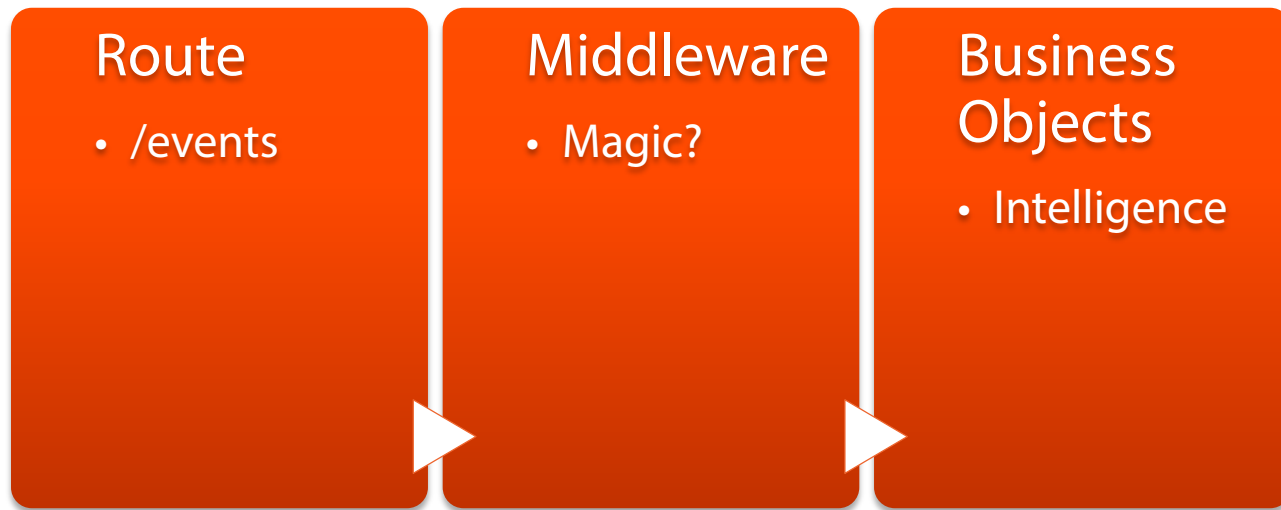
Why Test Routes?

- Not **required**
- Key Aspect of Application
- Can Get Tricky

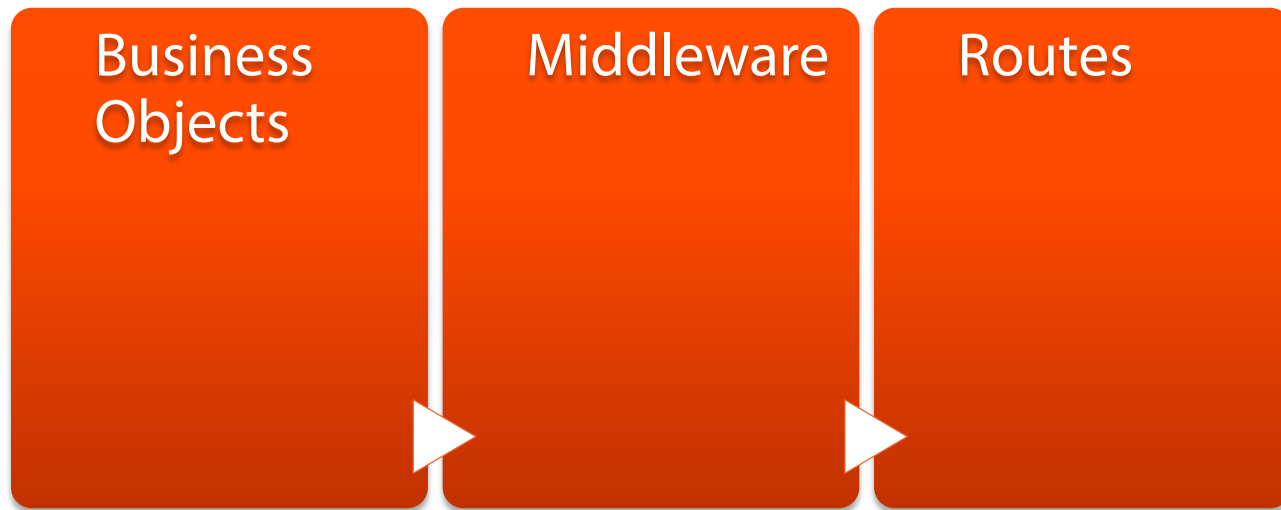


What Have We Learned?

How Consumer's See API



How We TDD an API



Test Fake

An object or method that allows you to simulate how other code should perform.



Summary

TDD On Server
Straight
Forward

Fake/Mock as
Much as
Possible

Don't Forget to
Refactor