

Behave Yourself

A practical guide to ATDD in python

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Working Agreements

- Help each other out.
 - You aren't done until the person next to you is done.
- Ask questions.
 - Speak up if you don't understand something.
- Time boxed breaks.





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tooth
paste
bristles
water



Why do the words matter?

TODAY IS THE THREE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF OUR FIRST MEETING TO DISCUSS PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.



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AND WE'RE STILL DISCUSSING REQUIREMENTS. DOES ANYONE ELSE SEE A PROBLEM HERE?

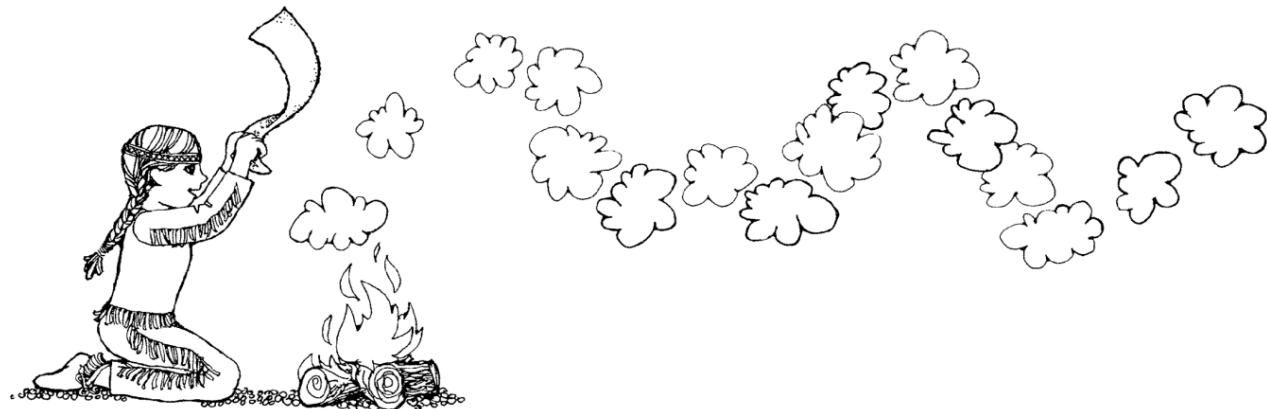


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WHEN YOU'RE DONE, CAN WE TALK ABOUT REQUIREMENTS?



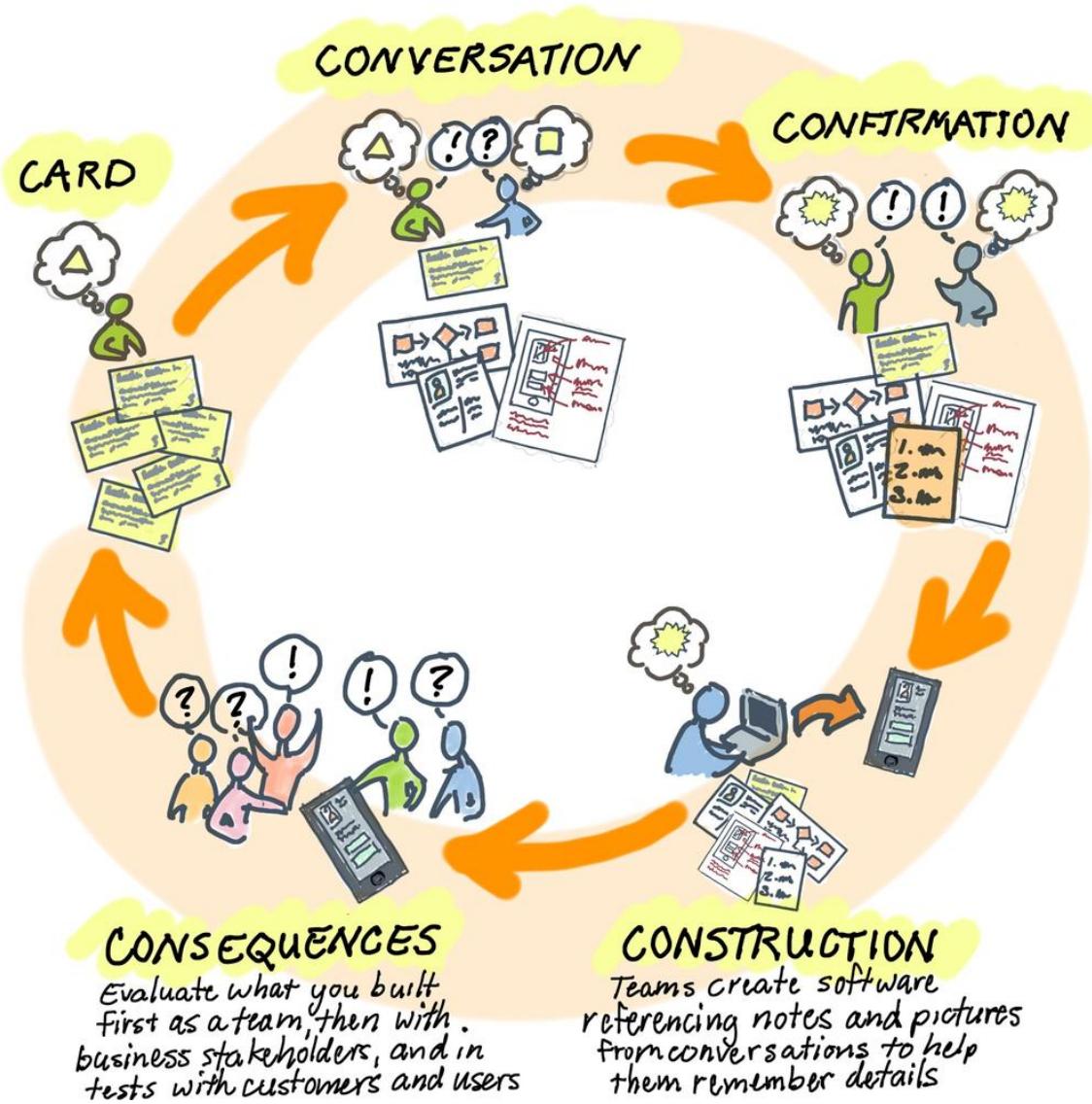
Requirement documents are not sufficient to gain a shared understanding.



As a [role] I want [feature] so that [benefit]

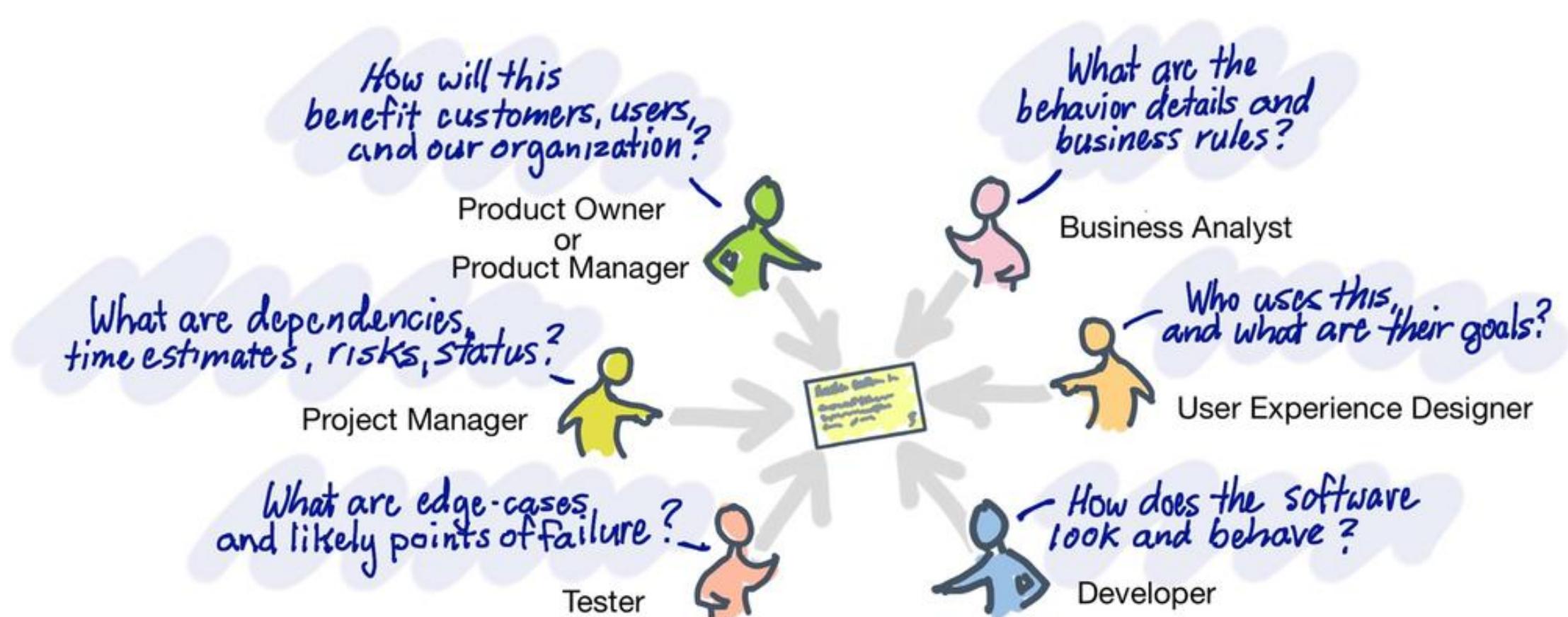
a role, a need, a benefit

- Tells us who is benefiting from this feature. Who cares about it. Who to talk to, to learn more about what it should do.
- By stating the benefit, the author must consider why they want the feature. Understanding ‘the why’ helps the developer as well.



Stories are a placeholder for a conversation.

Different People, Different Conversations



Multiple Perspectives

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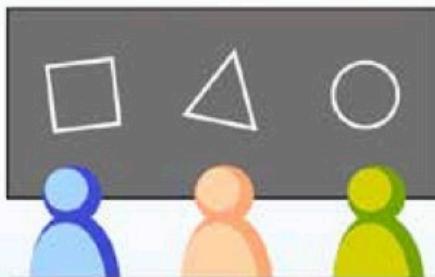
Clear communication is the foundation



"I'm glad we all agree"

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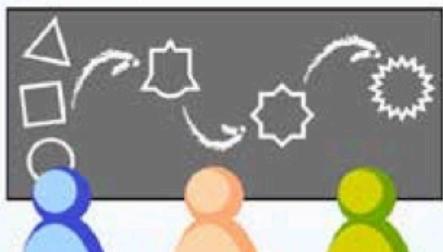
Get those mental models out on the table



"Ah!"

3.

An explicit model allows convergence through iteration



"Ah!"

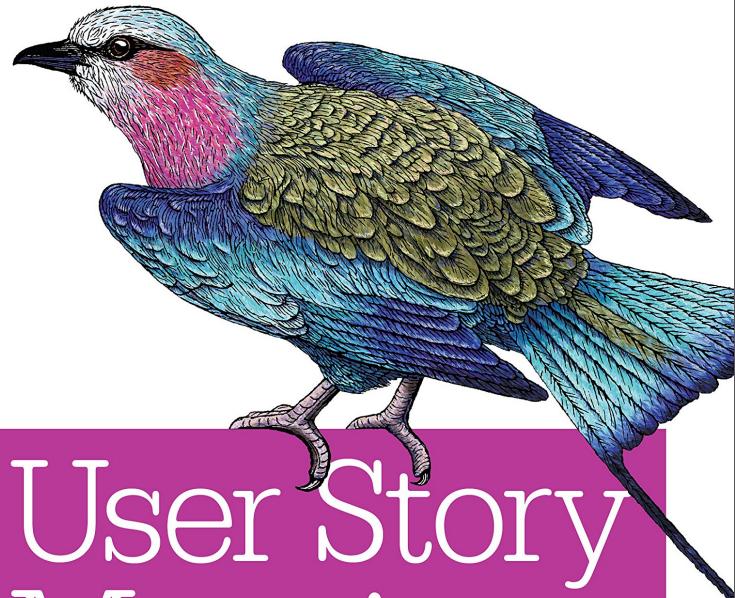
4.

A genuinely shared understanding



"I'm glad we're all agreed then"

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