

# INTRO TO TESTING

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*minimizing mistakes*

# QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE

- **Why** test?
- **How** to test?
- **What** to test?

# WHY DO I NEED TO WRITE TESTS?

# WHY

- Reliability
- Refactorability
- Documentation
- Accuracy
- Value in industry

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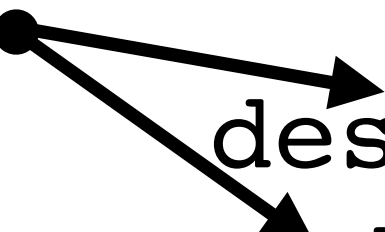
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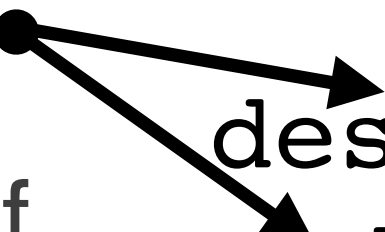


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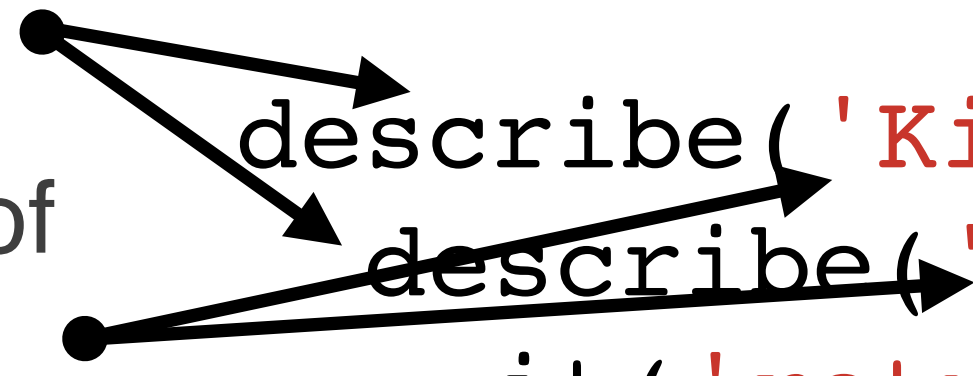
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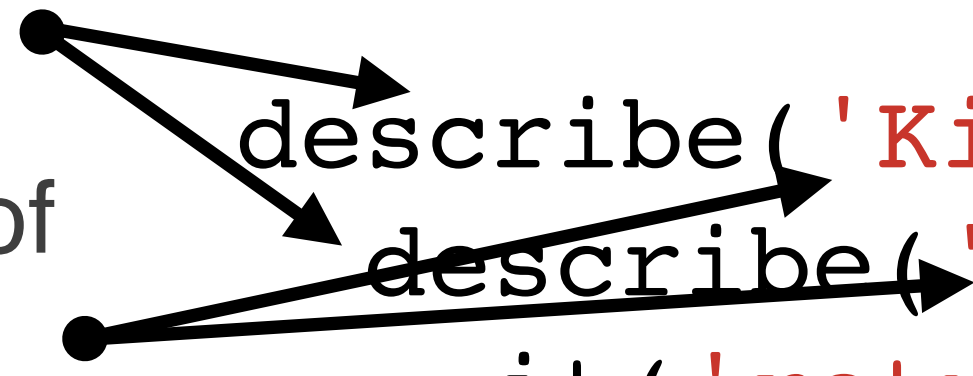
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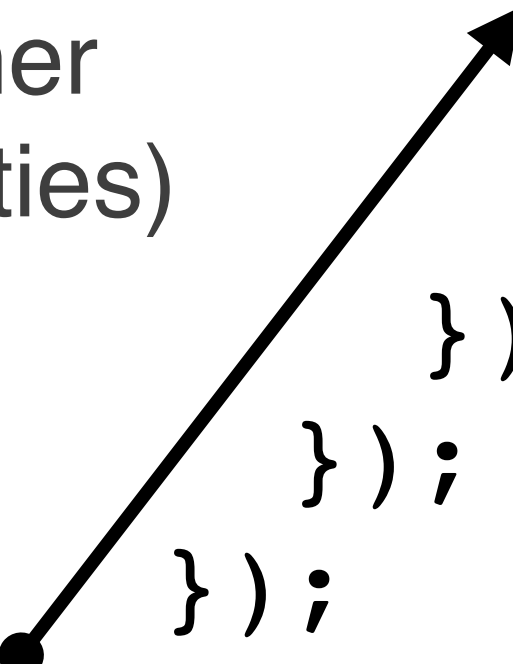
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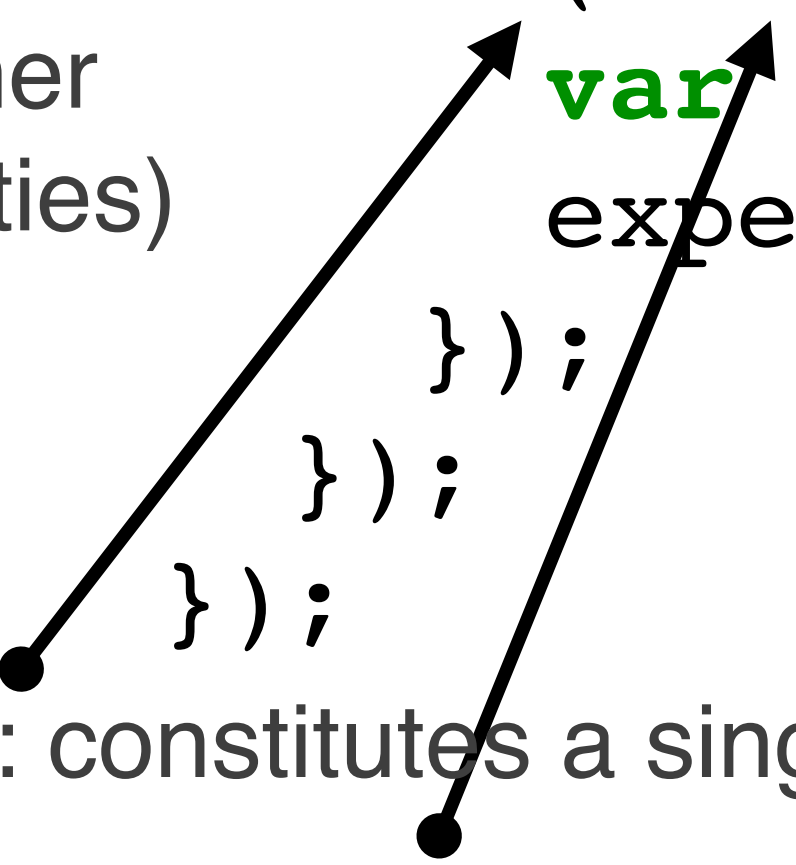
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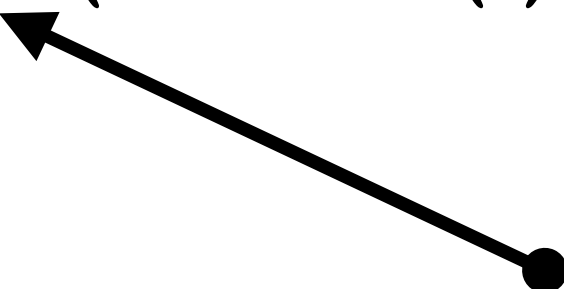


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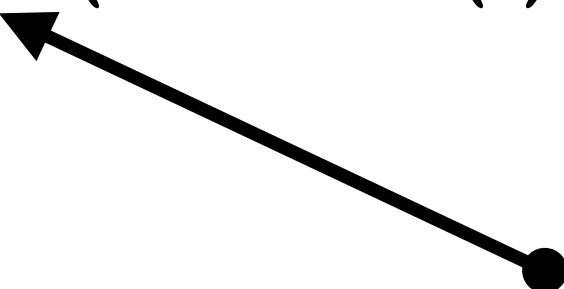
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- 1) There can be many assertions within one it block
- 2) If something is thrown *at any point* in an it block, the spec stops and **fails**



# TOOLS

- ◉ Jasmine and Mocha/Chai are two popular testing frameworks in the JavaScript ecosystem
- ◉ We chose mocha/chai for the popularity and flexibility
- ◉ However, there are many other options out there!





simple, flexible, fun



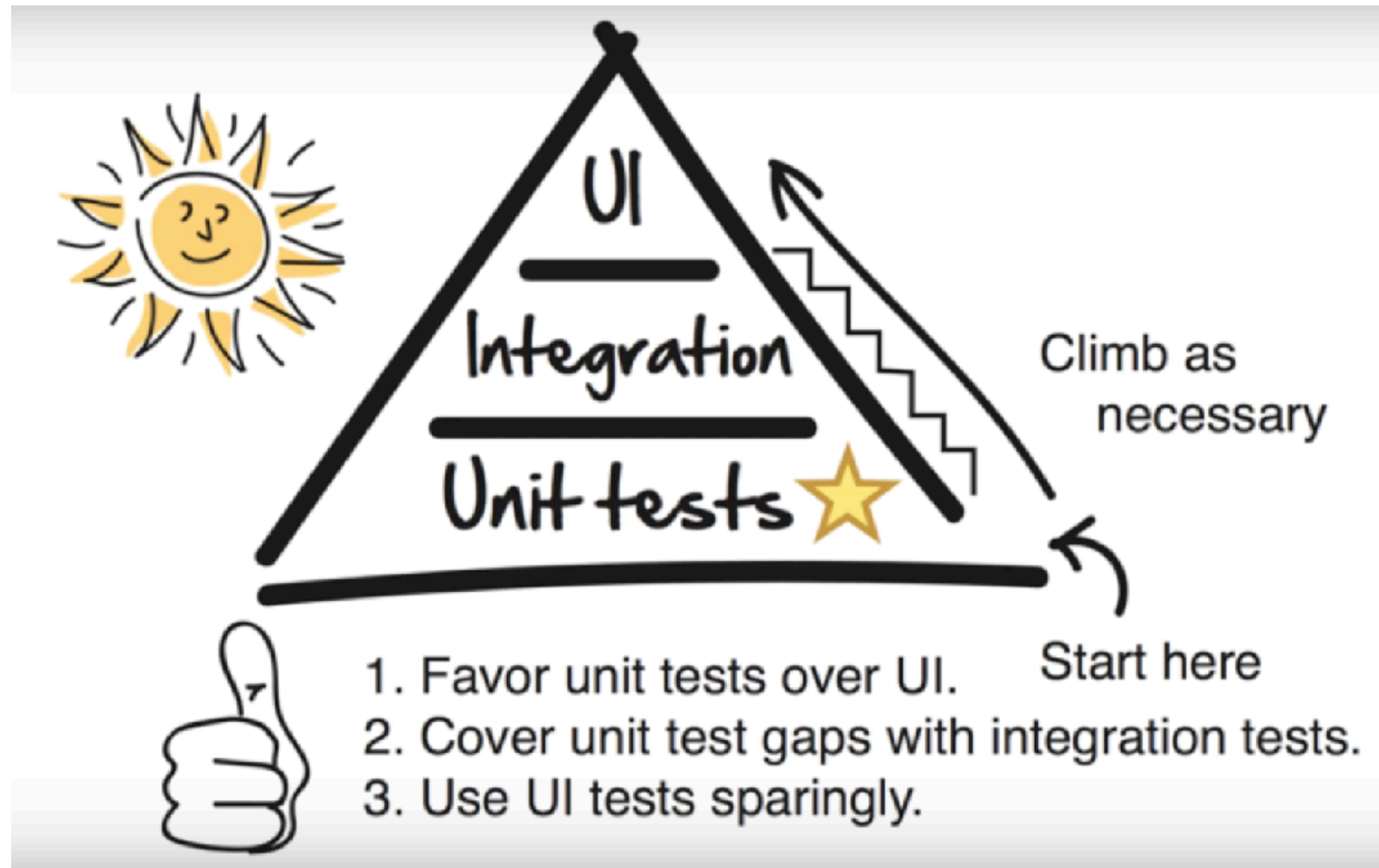
Chai Assertion Library

# WHAT DO I TEST FOR?

# WHAT

- **Test for behavior, *not* implementation**
  -  “I expect this multiply function to use the add function”
  -  “I expect this multiply function to return 6 given the inputs 2 and 3”
- **Implementation details change all the time, but intended behaviors generally do not**

# TEST PYRAMID

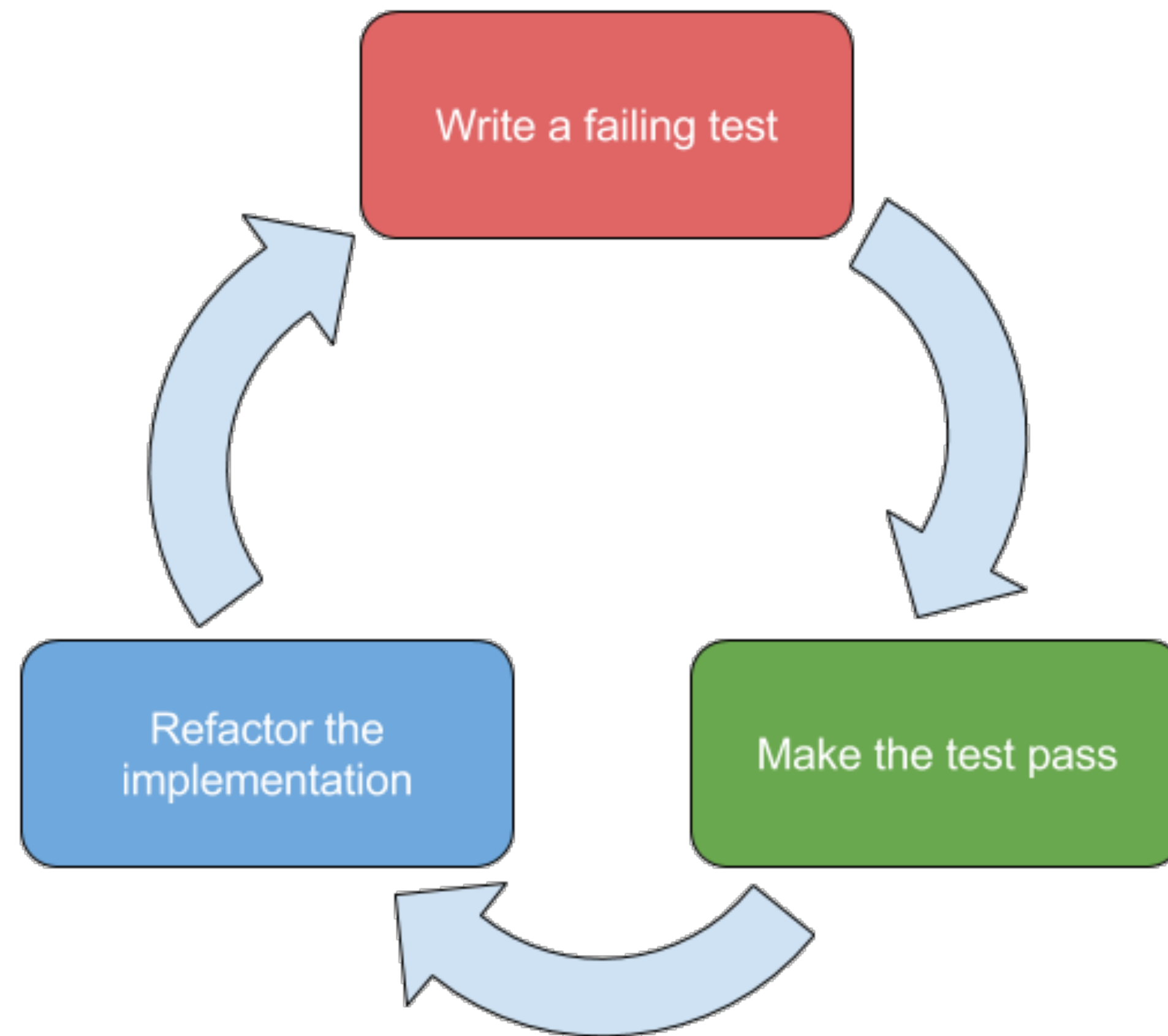


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# TEST-DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT

- **Write tests first, *then* write code to pass the tests**
- Focus on what code does
- Have a goal
- Ensure you don't blow off automated testing
- Improve design and modularity

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# AUTOMATED TESTING $\neq$ TEST-DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT

