



TESTINGMIND

# COMBINING DDD AND BDD TO BOOST ACCEPTANCE TESTING AND TESTING AUTOMATION

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# About me



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20+ years  
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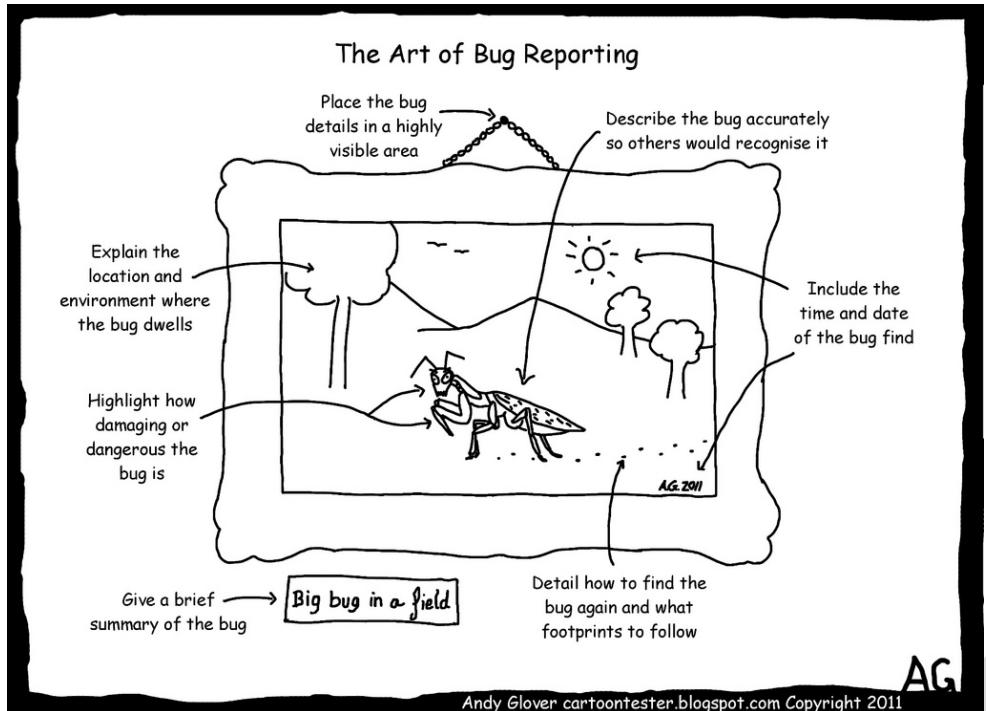
## Soccer coach

Licensed for kids  
U10 - U16

## Adventurer

16 personalities test

# Have you heard this before?



"I tested it how you told me to"

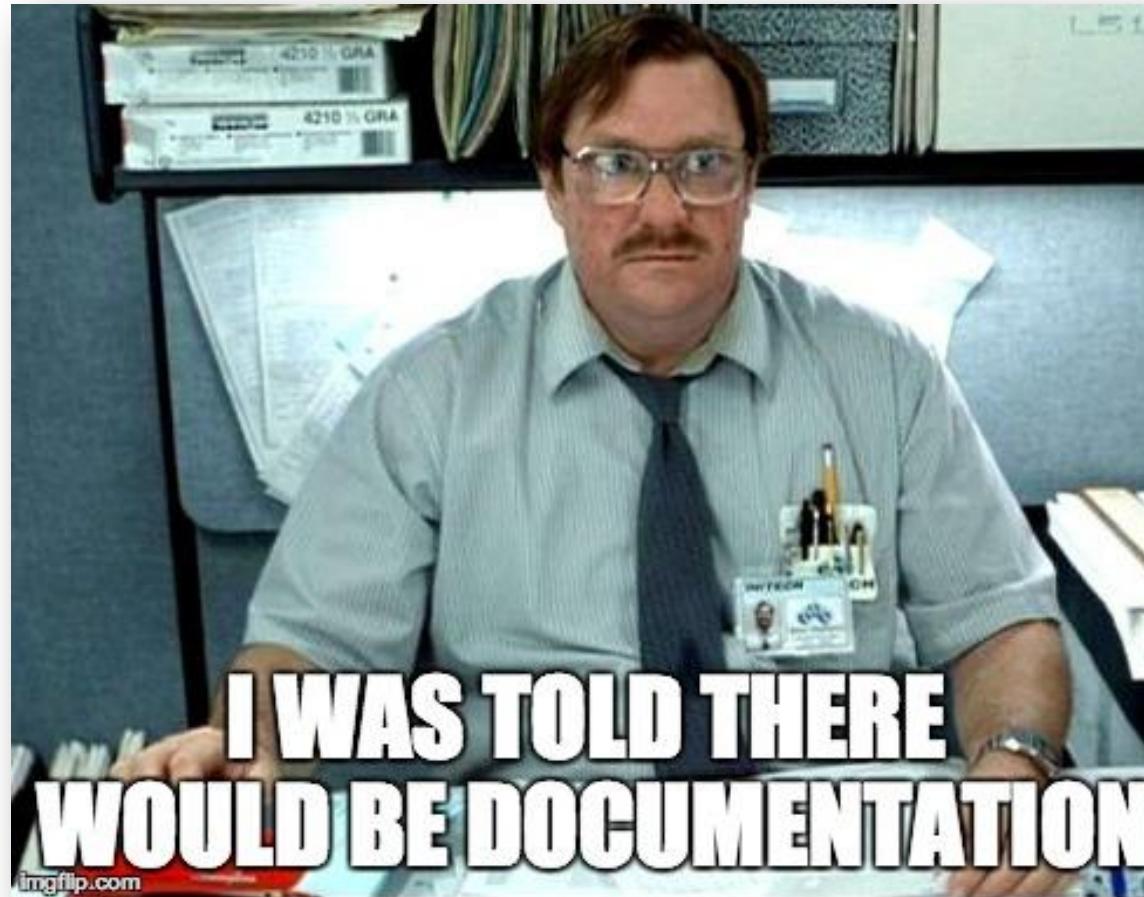
"Acceptance criteria said this is expected"

"I assumed it was fine"

"I have not tested with this input. I didn't know it could happen"

"I didn't know what to test"

"When you say 'account', you want to mean 'client', right?"





Have you  
seen  
this  
before?

```
73     return invTrans;
74 }
75
76 public void testBuyTransaction() {
77     InvestmentAccount invAccount = (InvestmentAccount) engine.getAccount( accountCode: "11311", currencySymbol: "EUR");
78     AssetAccount assetAccount = (AssetAccount) engine.getAccount( accountCode: "12111", currencySymbol: "EUR");
79     InvestmentTransaction invTrans = buildBuyTransaction(invAccount, assetAccount);
80
81     // test total amount of transaction
82     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1310.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getTotal().setScale(2));
83
84     // test market value of transaction from 3 January up to 8 January
85     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(l: 0).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(TD_minus_1).setScale(2));
86     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1030.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(TD).setScale(2));
87     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1029.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(TD_plus_1).setScale(2));
88     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1027.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(TD_plus_2).setScale(2));
89     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1311.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(SD).setScale(2));
90     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1332.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getMarketValue(SD_plus_1).setScale(2));
91
92     // test cash balance of transaction from 3 January up to 8 January
93     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(l: 0).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, TD_minus_1).setScale(2));
94     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: -1030.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, TD).setScale(2));
95     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: -1030.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, TD_plus_1).setScale(2));
96     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: -1030.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, TD_plus_2).setScale(2));
97     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: -1310.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, SD).setScale(2));
98     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: -1310.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getAmount(assetAccount, SD_plus_1).setScale(2));
99 }
100
101 public void testSellTransaction() {
102     InvestmentAccount invAccount = (InvestmentAccount) engine.getAccount( accountCode: "11311", currencySymbol: "EUR");
103     AssetAccount assetAccount = (AssetAccount) engine.getAccount( accountCode: "12111", currencySymbol: "EUR");
104     InvestmentTransaction invTrans = buildSellTransaction(invAccount, assetAccount);
105
106     // test total amount of transaction
107     assertEquals(new BigDecimal(v: 1310.50).setScale(2), invTrans.getTotal().setScale(2));
108 }
```

# What was wrong with that?



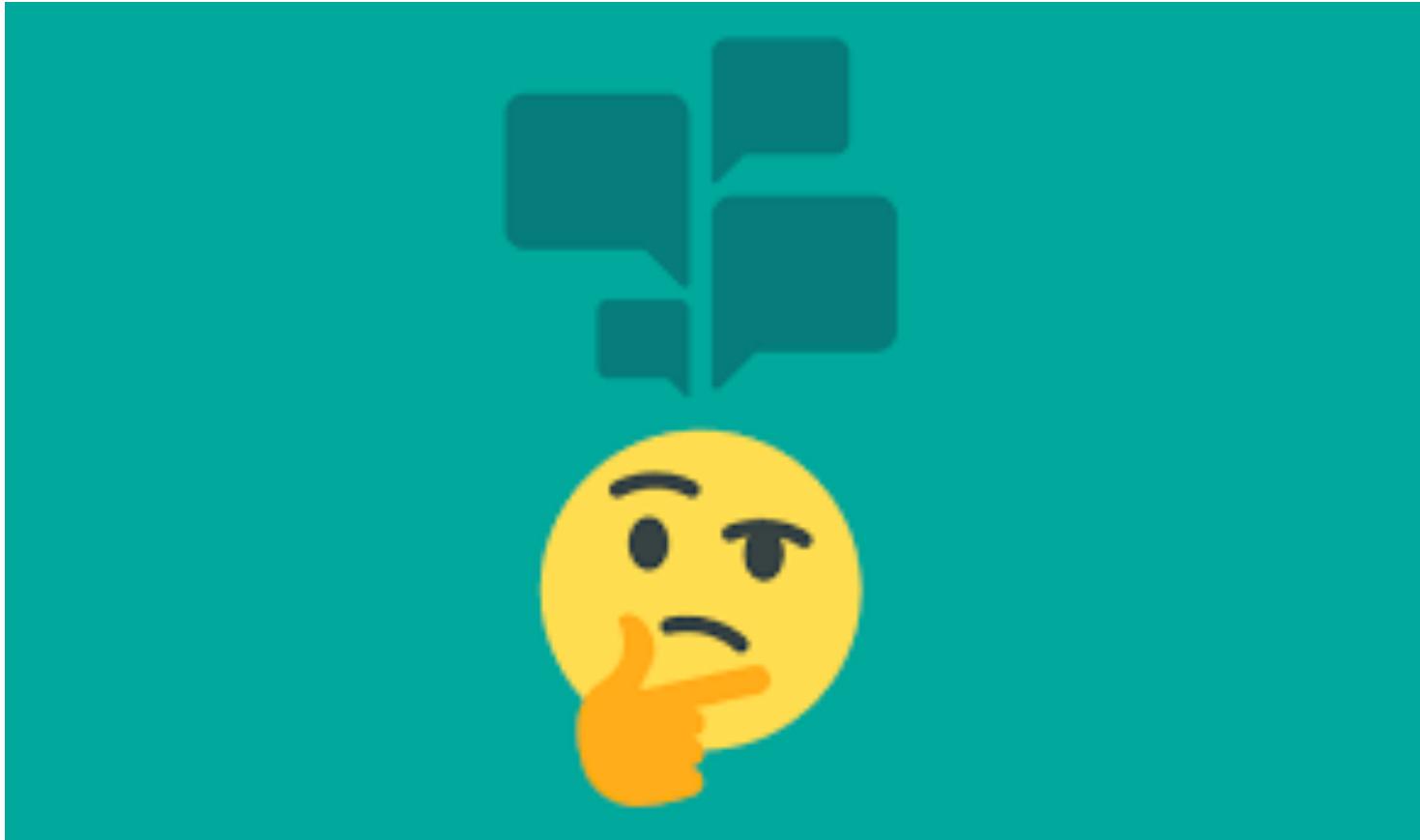
Tests weren't saying what the application does



Created by developers,  
potentially after the code was done



If fails doesn't tell me nothing.  
Need to go through the code to figure out something.



Is this  
TDD?

What is  
the  
domain?

```
[code language="text"]
```

Scenario: Redirect user to originally requested page after logging in

**Given** a User "dave" exists with password "secret"  
And I am not logged in

**When** I navigate to the home page  
**Then** I am redirected to the login form

**When** I fill in "Username" with "dave"  
And I fill in "Password" with "secret"  
And I press "Login"  
**Then** I should be on the home page

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[/code]
```

What was  
wrong with  
that?



Misunderstood BDD : just  
because its Gherkin does not  
mean its BDD



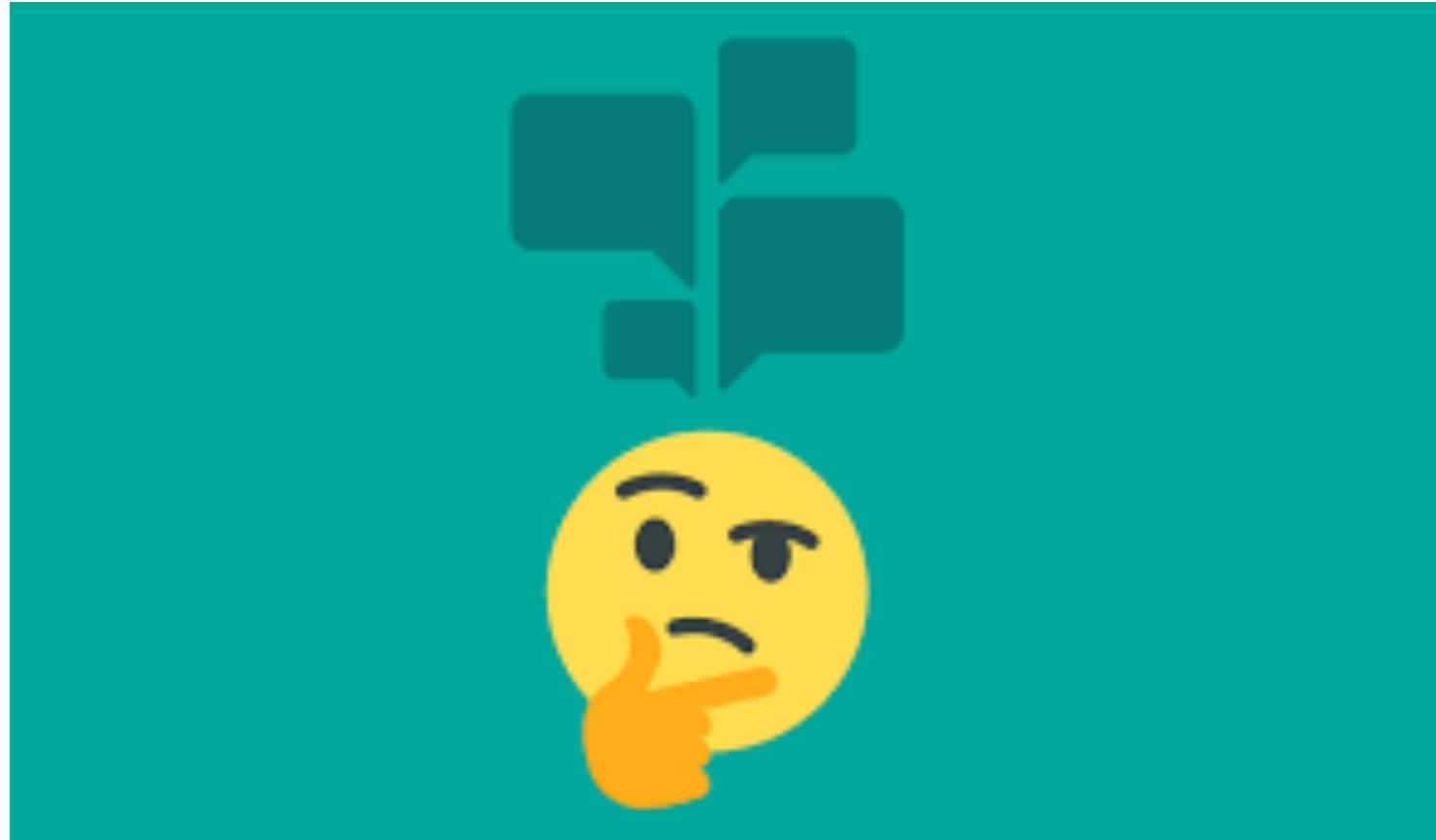
Design driven by the tool



Use the “new thing” without  
knowing how it really works.

What is the  
story?

What is the  
expected  
behavior?



What is the  
solution?

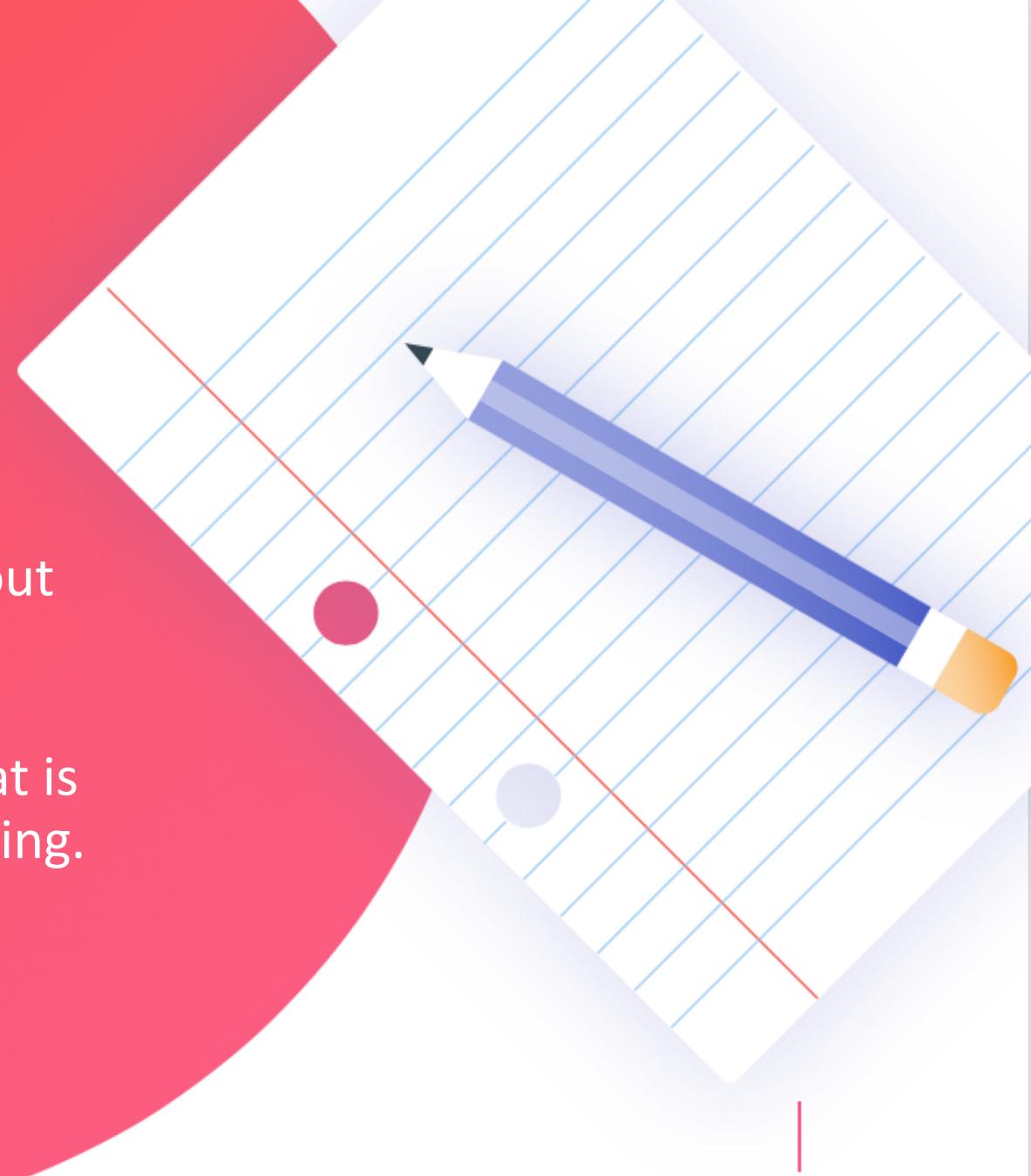


Domain language  
throughout tests, combining  
DDD and BDD

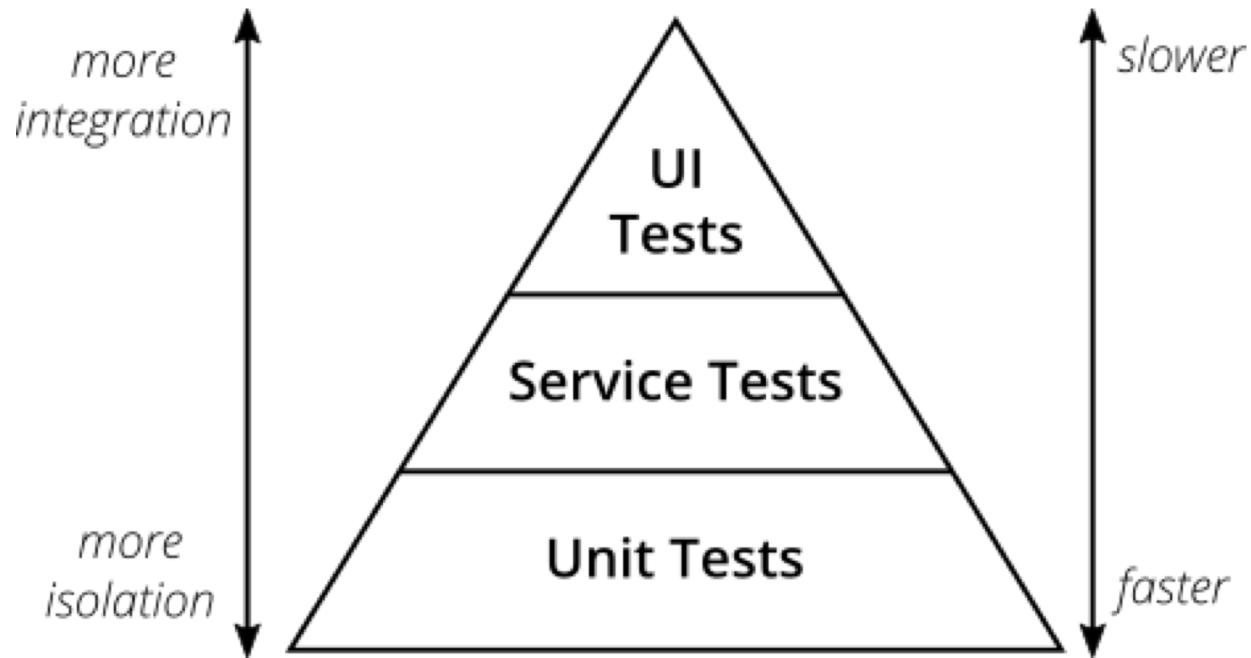
Its all about story:

DDD is about empathy. Its about knowing each other , knowing the model.

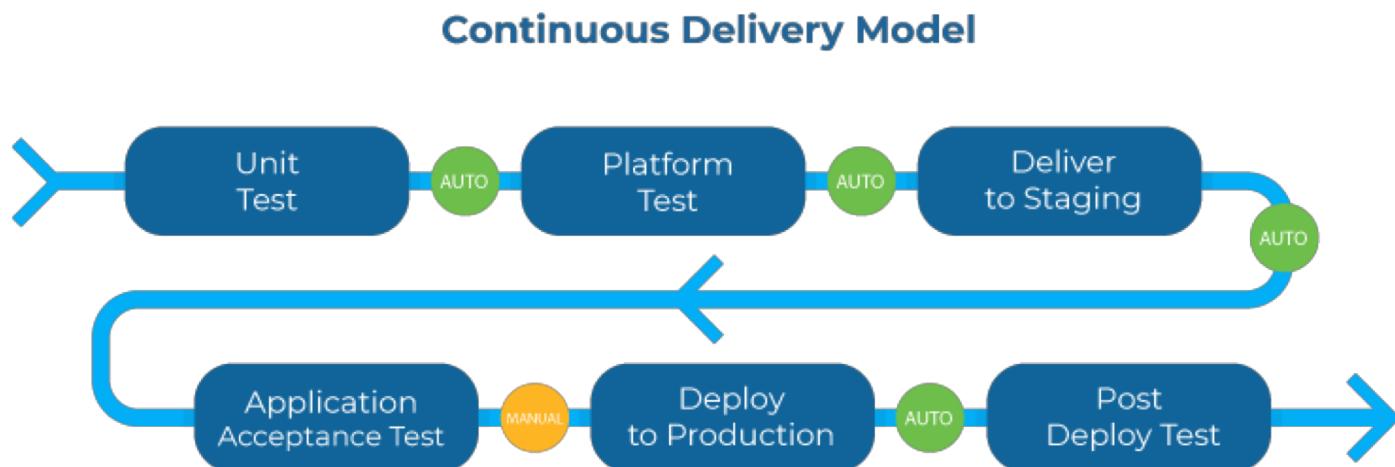
BDD is all about story and what is the story of what we are building.



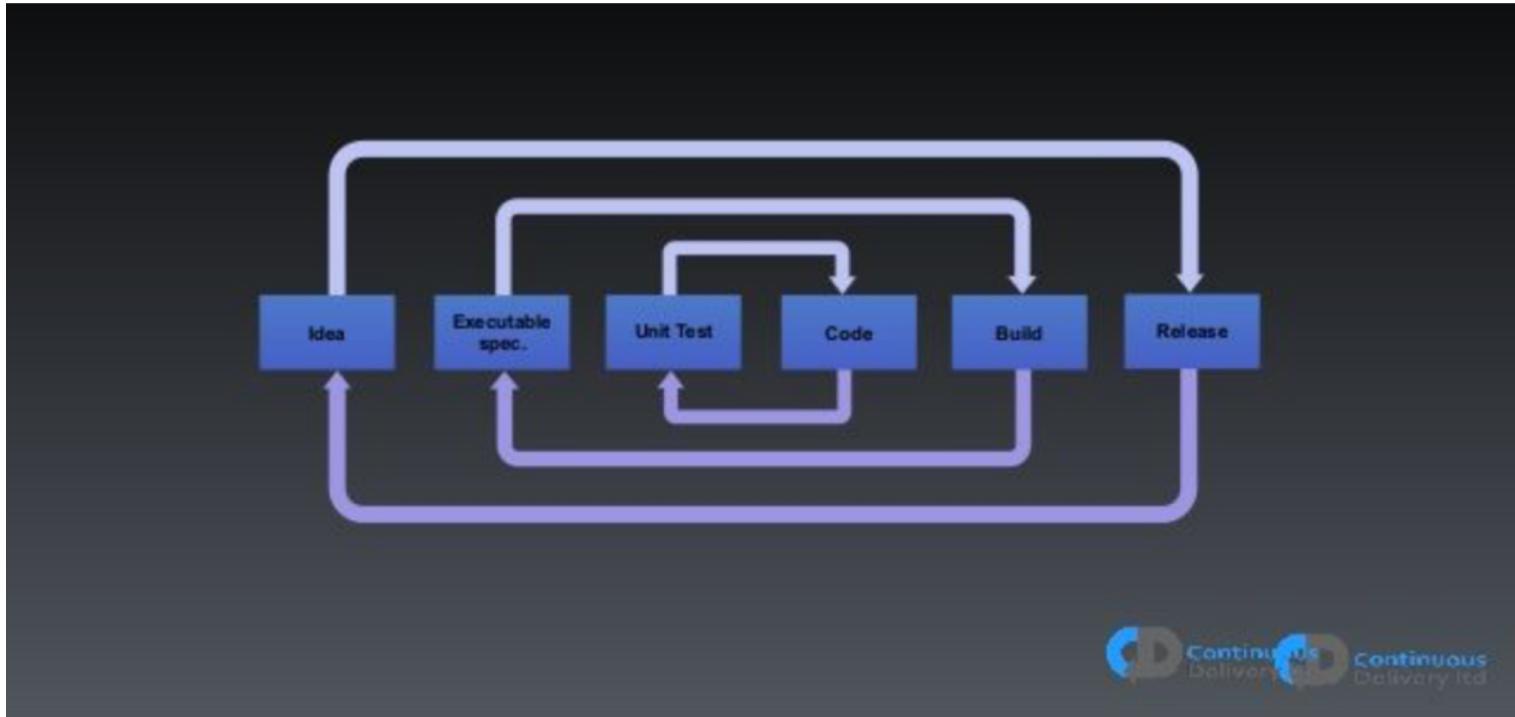
There are  
many testing  
pyramids



Testing pyramids are not a good map



## Feedback loops



# Navigation by public transport

**As a commuter**

**I want to know the fastest route between two places,**

**In order to get to my destination as quickly as possible**





1 | **Feature:** Navigation by public transport

2 |  
3 | As a commuter,  
4 | I'd like to know the fastest route between two places,  
5 | So that I get to my destination as quickly as possible

6 |  
7 | **Scenario:** Navigate by public transport

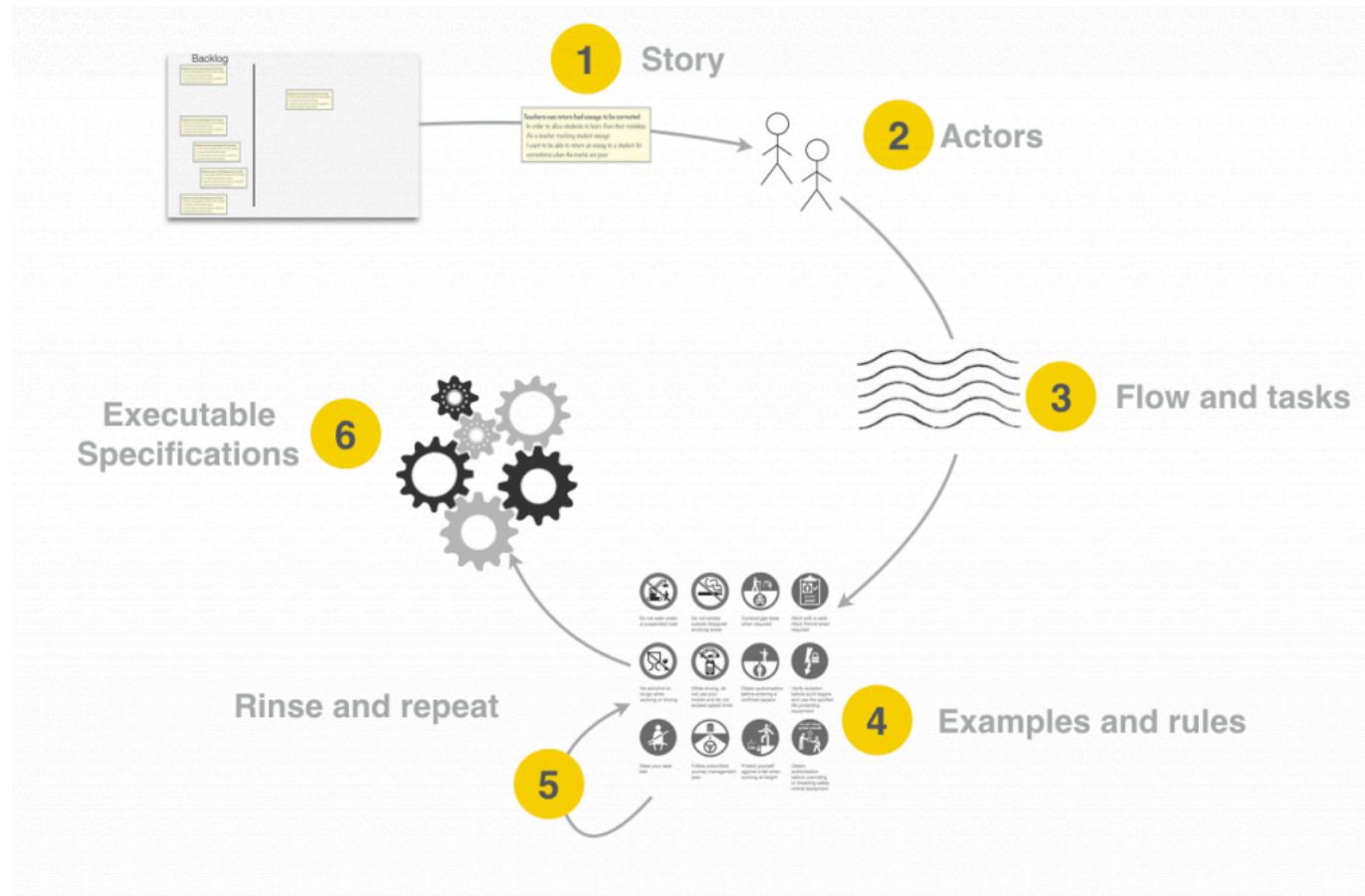
8 |  
9 | **Given** Intercity trains from Utrecht CS leave at 16:58, 17:08, 17:18  
10 | **When** Connie wants to travel from Utrecht CS to Amsterdam CS at 17:00  
11 | **Then** she should be told about the trains departing at 17:08, 17:18

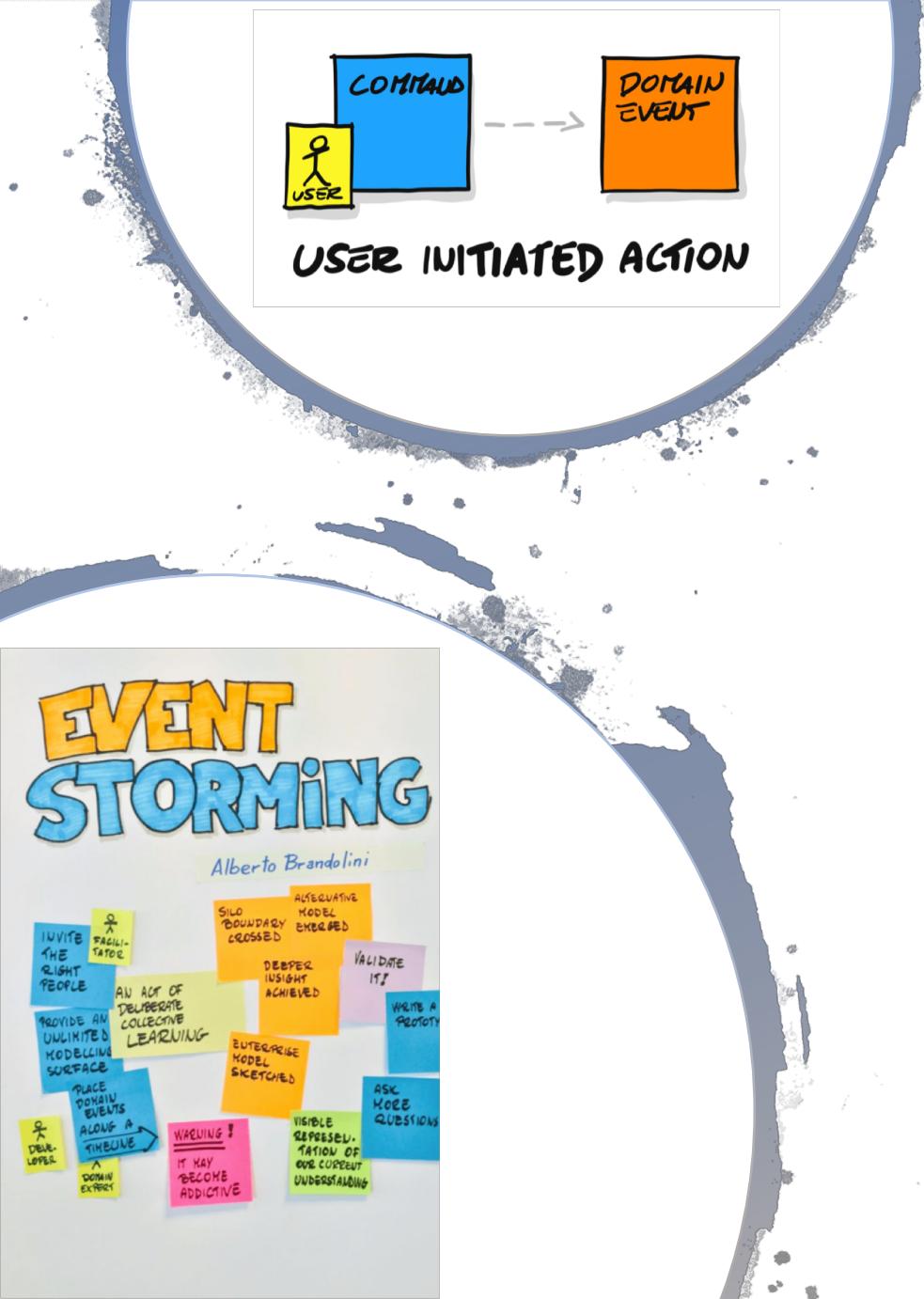
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# DDD + BDD in practice:

## Feature Mapping!!

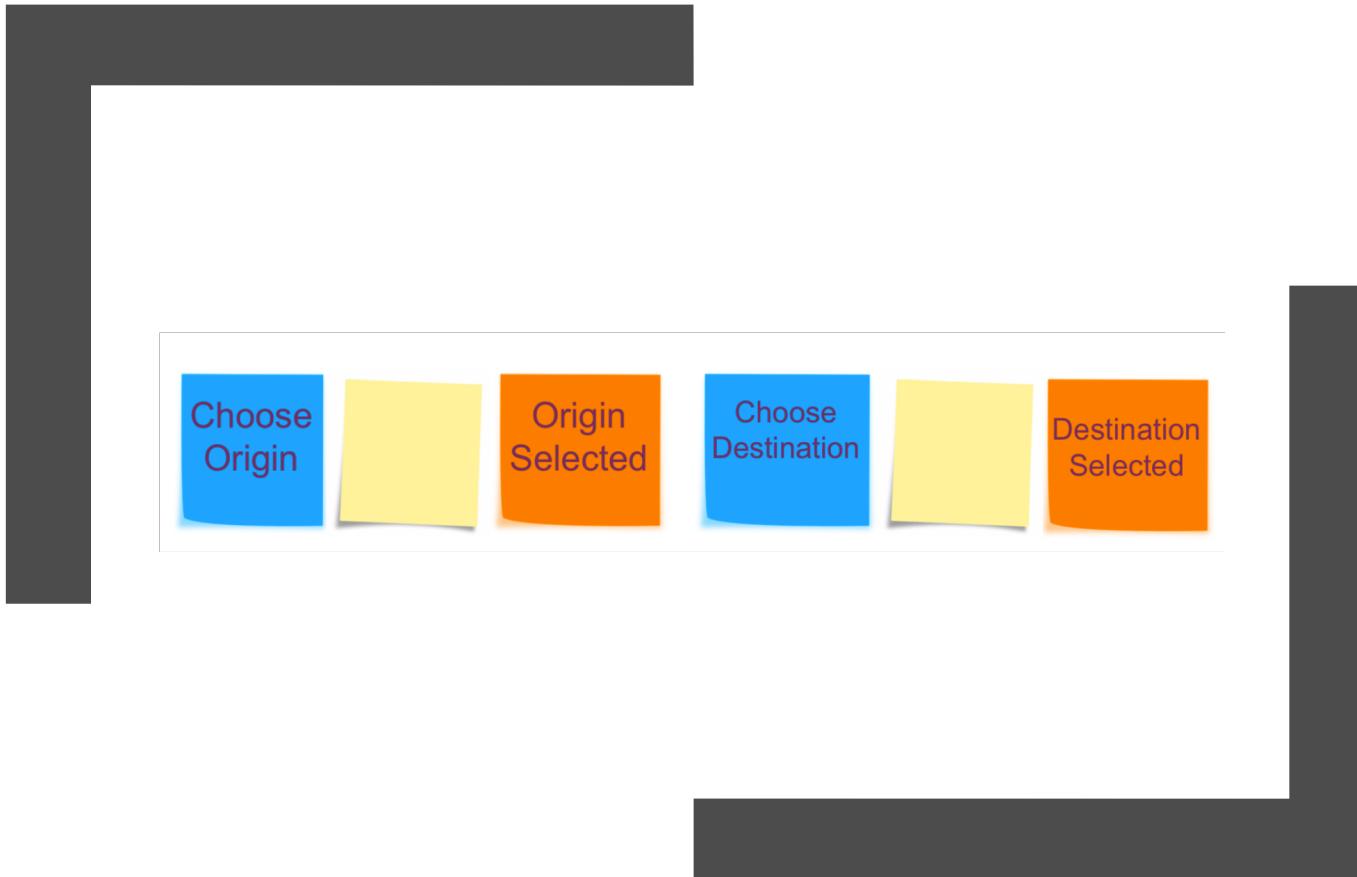




## How feature mapping helps on acceptance testing

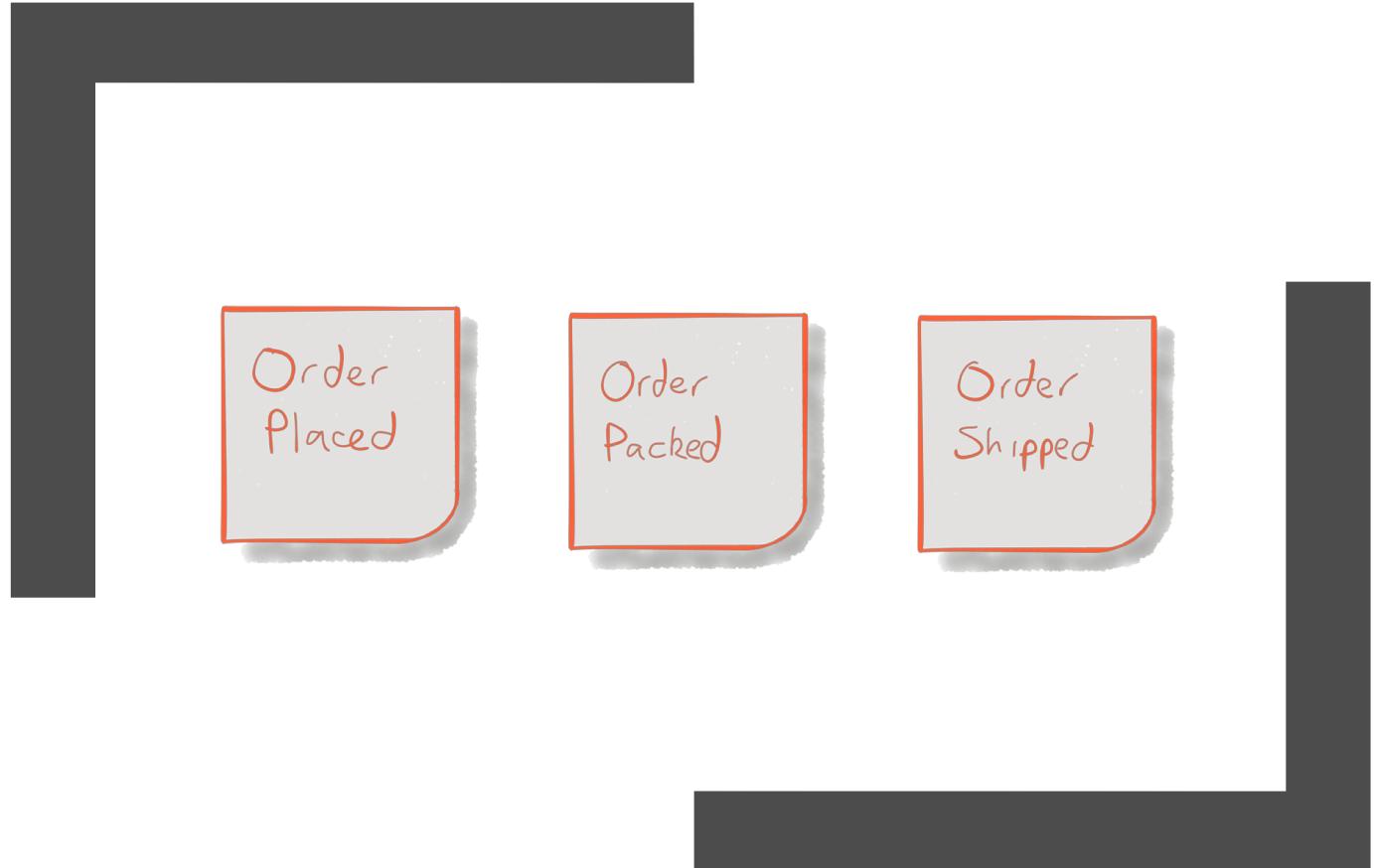
- This technique is all about creating specification based on examples, communicating human language what the software does. It's a map on how is the flow of feature implementation
- Event storming and Examples and Rules, through making the "Spec by Example" embedded on your testing code

# Event storming



Event Storming is a form of organizational anthropology; it's all about discussing the ***flow*** of events in your organization and modelling that flow in an easy to understand way.

# Event flow



A single event isn't very exciting, so we need to consider events in term of flow — events over time. Orange stickies represent events. To model a business process we simply arrange events from left-to-right in time sequence. That's it! Sounds simple? It is. That's the point. There's no unnecessary ceremony between you, your team, and an interesting discussion that yields results.

# Reaction

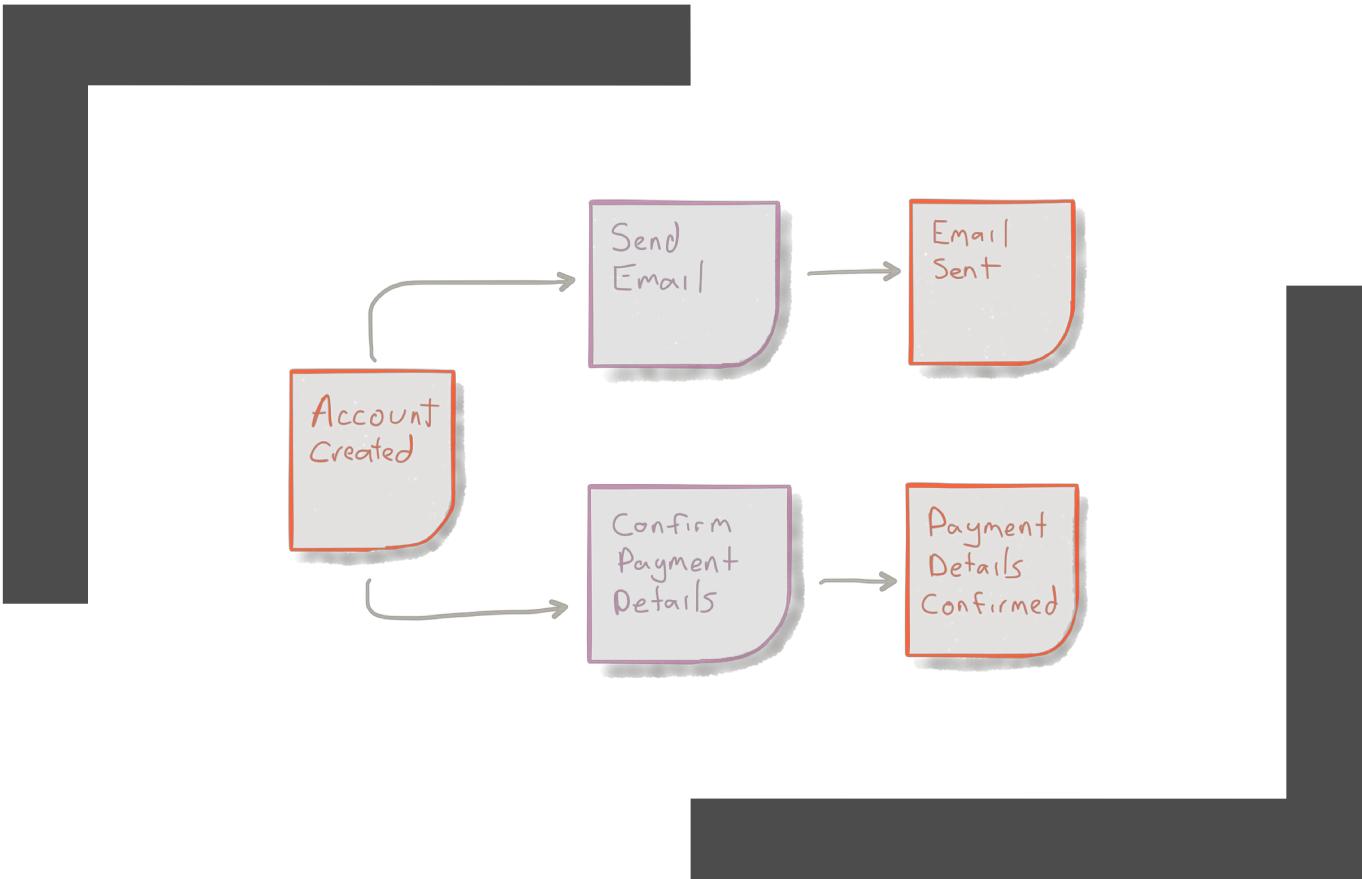


A *reaction* is something that needs to happen after something else happens. Reactions are best captured in the following statement,



“**This** happens **whenever that** happens”. *This* is the reaction. *That* is the event. *Whenever* is the word that associates an event to a reaction to create a *policy*.

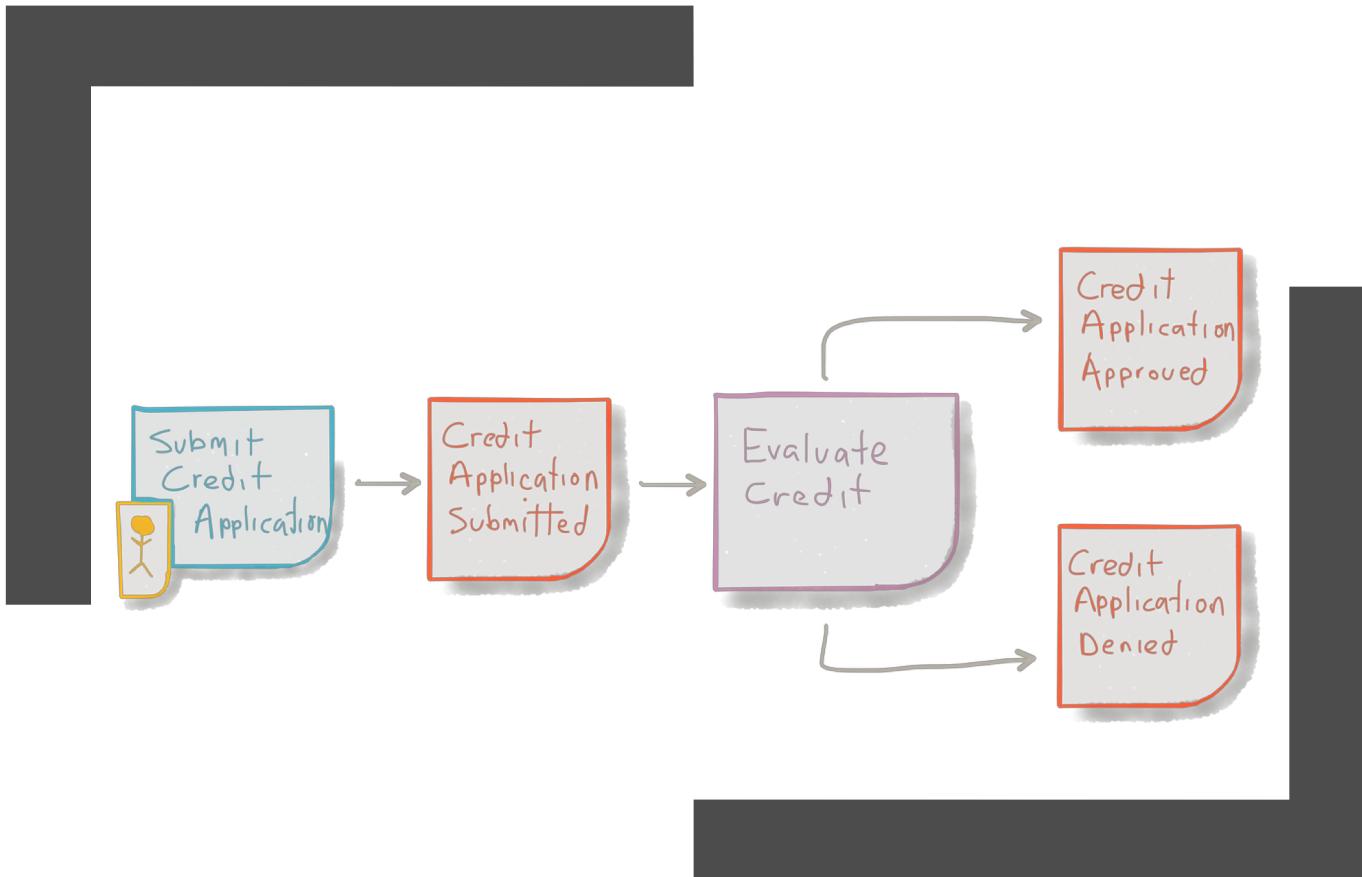
# Policy



The flow of events and reactions together is called a *policy* — we call this flow a policy because the flow captures core business rules, such as “*we need to alert a customer whenever someone logs into their account*”.

It’s also important to note that a reaction — or an entire policy — doesn’t need to represent a piece of software. For instance, “*confirm payment details*” may be a manual process that involves an administrator manually verifying wire transfer details.

# Command

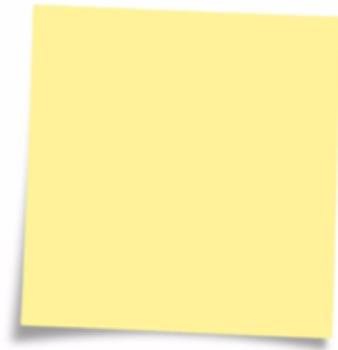


Eventually we need to dive deeper and map out exactly how users interact with our system; *commands* are critical because they often represent user interactions. Adding user interactions to our event flow brings us towards modelling the complete cause-and-effect of our system.

# In our example

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Choose  
Origin



Origin  
Selected

Choose  
Destination



Destination  
Selected

# Example Mapping

This comes from Cucumber, from BDD

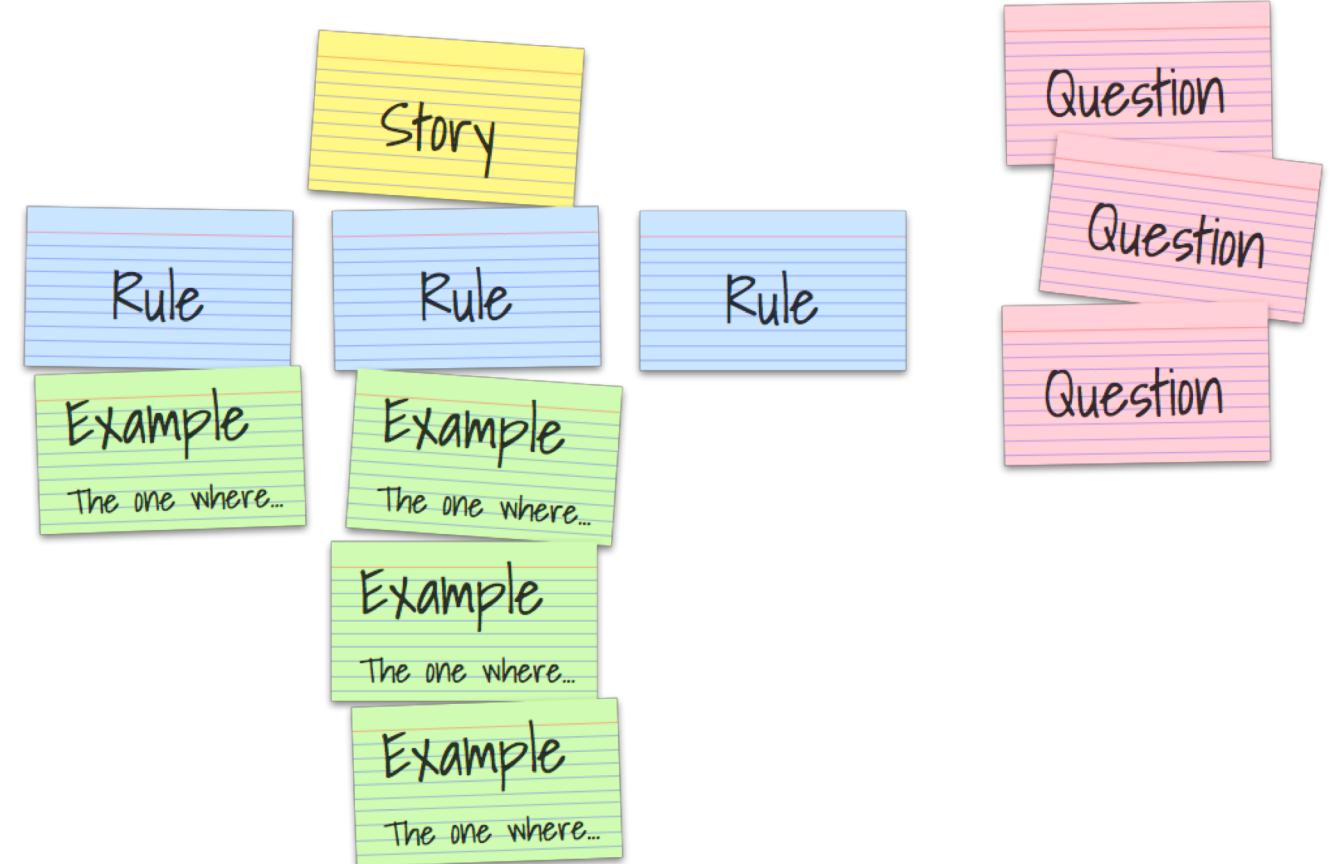
Discovery phase. Flipping out examples

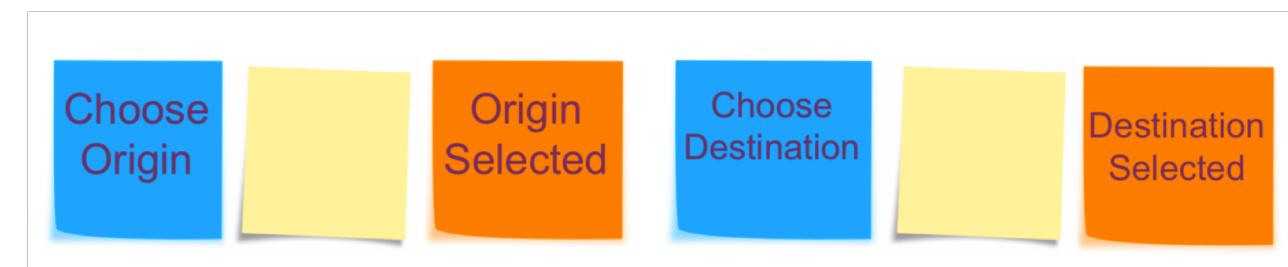
Domain experts needs to be in the room

Get 4 coloured cards

Don't think initially on Gerkhin. Goes like "friends episode names" : "The one when"

If there is discussion or questions, you park on pink cards if cannot be solved in 15 min or no experts





journey\_by\_public\_transport.feature

```

1 import {ChooseDestination, ChooseOrigin, PlanAJourney} from '../../../../../cucumber/support/saving_time/plan_a_journey';
2 import {JourneyList} from '../support/saving_time/journey_list';
3
4 const expect = global['chai'].expect;
5
6 const TRAIN_LIST_CSS = ".section-listbox";
7
8 describe('Navigation by public transport', () => {
9
10   before(callback => {
11     // Setup environment data and stuff.....
12   });
13
14   it('Navigate by public transport', () => {
15
16     PlanAJourney();
17     ChooseOrigin({ origin: 'Utrecht Centraal' });
18     ChooseDestination({ destination: 'Amsterdam Centraal' });
19
20     expect(JourneyList.Train_List.isPresent()).to.eventually.be.true;
21
22   });
23 })

```

```
7  
8 const FROM_INPUT_CSS = "#sb_ifc51 .tactile-searchbox-input";  
9 const TO_INPUT_CSS = "#sb_ifc52 .tactile-searchbox-input";  
10  
11 export function PlanAJourney() {  
12   browser.get( destination: '/maps' );  
13  
14   let navButtonElement = element(by.css(NAV_BUTTON_CSS));  
15   browser.wait(EC.visibilityOf(navButtonElement), 5000);  
16   navButtonElement.click();  
17  
18   let trainButtonElement = element(by.css(TRAIN_BUTTON_CSS));  
19   browser.wait(EC.visibilityOf(trainButtonElement), 5000);  
20   trainButtonElement.click();  
21 }  
22  
23 export function ChooseOrigin(origin: string) {  
24   let fromInputElement = element(by.css(FROM_INPUT_CSS));  
25   browser.wait(EC.visibilityOf(fromInputElement), 5000);  
26   return fromInputElement.sendKeys(origin);  
27 }  
28  
29 export function ChooseDestination(destination: string) {  
30   let toInputElement = element(by.css(TO_INPUT_CSS));  
31   browser.wait(EC.visibilityOf(toInputElement), 5000);  
32   toInputElement.sendKeys(destination);  
33   return toInputElement.sendKeys(protractor.Key.RETURN);  
34 }  
35
```

WebDriver

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+import ...

const expect = global['chai'].expect;

const TRAIN_LIST_CSS = ".section-listbox";

export = function myStepDefinitionsWrapper() {

    this.Given(/^Intercity trains from Utrecht CS leave at 16:58, 17:08, 17:18$/, 
        // Setup environment data and stuff.....
        callback());
    });

    this.When(/^Connie wants to travel from Utrecht CS to Amsterdam CS at 17:00$/,
        PlanAJourney();
        ChooseOrigin( origin: 'Utrecht Centraal');
        return ChooseDestination( destination: 'Amsterdam Central');

    });

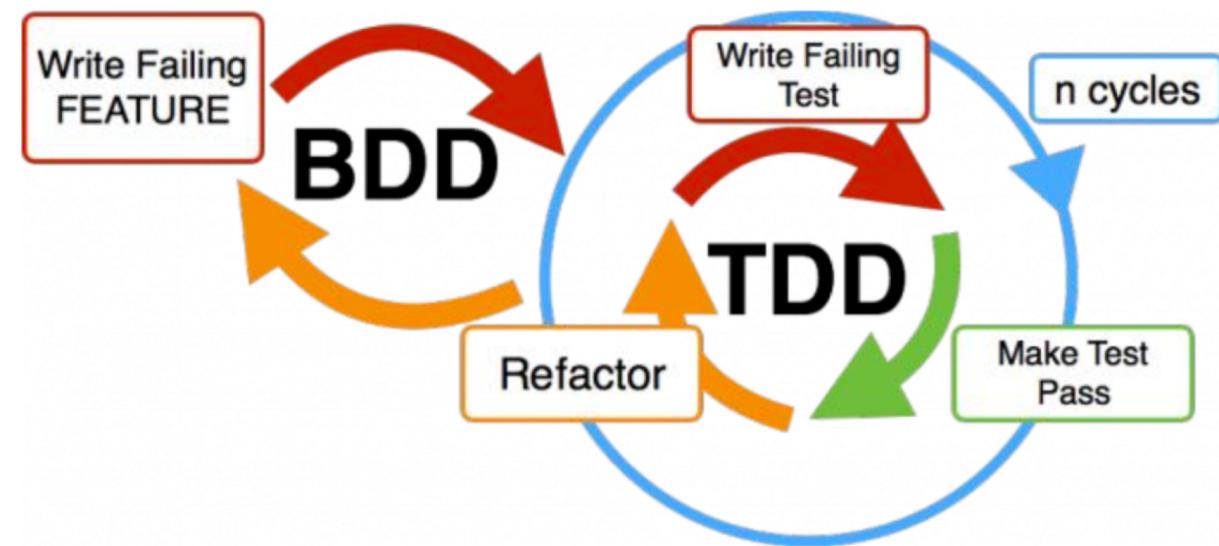
    this.Then(/^she should be told about the trains departing at 17:08, 17:18$/,
        return expect(JourneyList.Train_List.isPresent()).to.eventually.be.true;
    });

};
```

Cucumber

## Conclusion

- Enhance your acceptance testing with executable spec by example ( they can be written in Excel, Cucumber, Fitnesse, JSON files, etc... )
- Empathy from DDD + Story from BDD + Science = Better testing via quicker feedback ( Your CD thanks you )
- It can and should be done from all test levels



Questions?

