

Software Architecture and Techniques

Why Agile Architecture and Design?



Every Company is now a Software Company.

Forbes Magazine

Software is eating the world, in all sectors. In the future every company will become a software company.

- Marc Andreessen, Wall Street Magazine

The future is already here. It is just not evenly distributed.

- William Gibson

SWAT Course Description

Teaches the **basics** of systematic **agile design** of an adequate software architecture for a selected application.

Methods of **agile quality assurance** and **software craftsmanship** are explored using predefined or self-selected projects provided by students.

Organization (1/4)

Lecturer Marcel Baumann

Lectures 3 hours per week, and 14 weeks

Room/Time see technical university course site

Description Software Architecture and Techniques

Acronym **SWAT**

Organization (2/4)

SWAT weights 3 ECTS – 90 hours

Lectures → 14 * 2.5
 including 1/3 practice time

Examination preparation
 15 hours

Learning and exercises40 hours

- All documents are available in lecture platform
- Questions and Answers in SWAT lecture forum (Microsoft Teams)

Organization (3/4)

- Slides are in English and provide hints on the theory
 - Attend the lecture and read the literature, slides are not enough
- Assumes you know Java 17 and higher, OOP, Scrum
- 2/3 theory and paper exercises and 1/3 computer exercises (source code is written in Java 11 or higher, actual JDK is preferred)
- Literature
 - References articles must be read
 - Historical articles could be read
 - References books could be read

Organization (4/4)

- Lecture attestation
 - Refactoring project and presentation (history in git)
 - Architecture examples and participation in exercise coaching
 - Test automation (TDD, ATDD, CI/CD) concepts and examples
 - Presentation of code during the practical part of the lecture
 - Proficiency with GitLab
- Examination (after successfully completing lecture)
 - Either written or oral examination with questions about the course slides, mandatory articles, and exercises

Student Portfolio

- Refactoring project and presentation (history in git) based on your source code
- Architecture examples based on your source code
 - with diagrams e.g. PlantUML, C4
- Test automation (TDD, ATDD, CI/CD) concepts and examples based on your source code

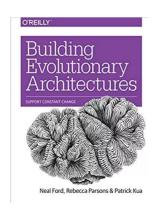
Reference Books

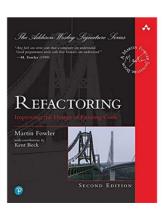
Clean Architecture: A Craftsmanship Guide to Software Structure and Design Robert Martin, Prentice Hall, 2018

Building Evolutionary Architectures Rebecca Parsons, O'Reilly, 2017

Refactoring: Improving the Design of Existing Code Martin Fowler, Addison Wesley, 1999-2015



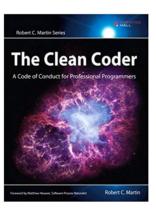




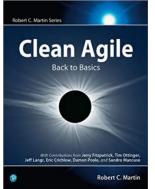
Recommend Books

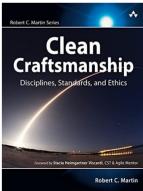
- Clean Code: A Handbook of Agile Software Craftsmanship, 2008
- Clean Coder: A Code of Conduct for Professional Programmers, 2011
- Clean Architecture: A Craftsmanship Guide to Software Structure and Design, 2017
- Clean Agile: Back to the Basics, 2019
- Clean Craftsmanship: Disciplines, Standards, and Ethics, 2021











Goals

- Understand architecture as a compromise to fulfill functional and non-functional requirements
 - → design engineering
- Have a toolbox to define an emergent and evolving architecture
- **Understand** the advantages and consequences of agile and lean approaches
- Be able to work on an agile product development initiative

Principles

- Science and its practical application "engineering" are vital tools in making effective progress in technical disciplines.
- Our discipline is fundamentally one of learning and discovery, so we need to become experts at learning to succeed, and science and engineering are how we learn most effectively.
- Finally, the systems that we build are often **complex** and are increasingly so. Meaning, to cope with their development, we need to become **experts at managing that complexity**.

Farley, David. Modern Software Engineering (p. xxiii)

Experts of Learning

- Iteration
 - Testability, Deployability, Speed, Variability Control,
 Continuous delivery
- Transparency and Feedback
- Experimentation
- Empiricism

Experts of Complexity

- Modularity
- Cohesion
- Separation of Concerns
- Abstraction
- Loose Coupling

Lecture Content

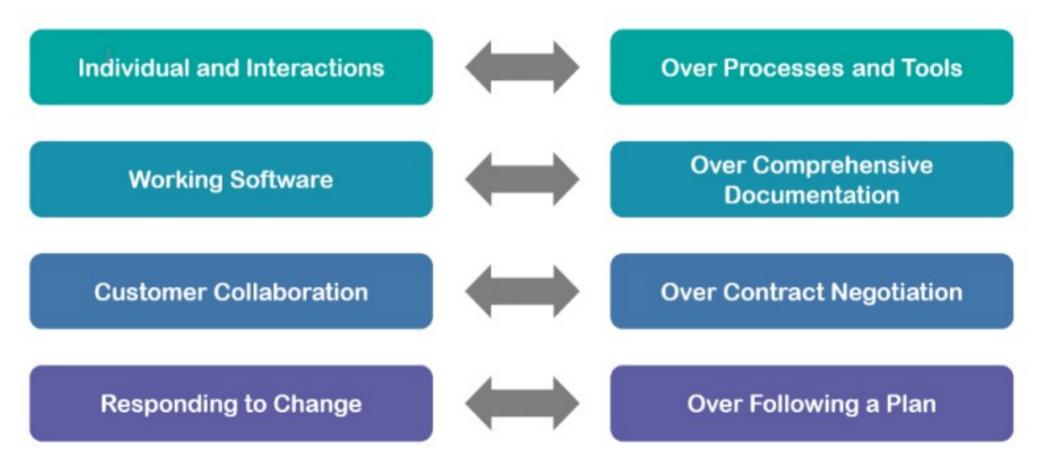
- Why Agile Architecture and Design?
- Evolution of Software Architecture over the last Decades
- What is Agile Architecture?
- Agile Approaches with Scrum, XP, LeSS
- Refactoring
- Errors, Vulnerabilities, Smells in Source Code
- Architecture of Components and Subsystems

- Verify Functional Features
- Validate Quality Attributes of Software Architecture
- Architecture Documentation
- Architecture Trends I
- Architecture Trends II
- Domain-Driven Design Workshop
- Team and Technical Excellence for Architects

Agile Architecture

- 1) The sum of all the **source code** is the true **design blueprint** or software architecture.
- 2) The real software architecture **evolves** (better or worse) every day of the product, as people do programming.
- 3) The real living architecture needs to be grown every day through acts of programming by master programmers.
- 4) A software architect who is not in touch with the evolving source code of the product is out of touch with reality.
- 5) **Every programmer is some kind of architect** whether wanted or not. Every act of programming is some kind of architectural act good or bad, small or large, intended or not.

Agile Manifesto



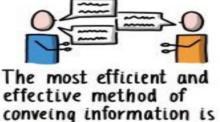
Agile Manifesto Principles







Welcome changing requirements, even late in development. Build projects around motivated individuals.



Working software is the primary measure of progress.

Deliver working software frequently.

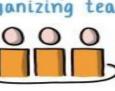




Give them the support

face-to-face conversation

The best architectures. requirements, and designs emerge from self-organizing teams.



The team reflects on how to become more effective and adjusts its behavior accordingly.

Continuous attention to technical excellence and good design.



Simplicitythe art of maximizing the amount of work not done — is essential.

Some Agile Manifesto Principles

- Our highest priority is **to satisfy the customer** through early and continuous delivery of **valuable software**.
- Business people and developers must work together daily throughout the project.
- Build projects around motivated individuals. Give them the environment and support they need, and trust them to get the job done.
- Working software is the primary measure of progress.
- Continuous attention to technical excellence and good design enhances agility.
- Simplicity the art of maximizing the amount of work not done is essential.
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The source code is the architecture

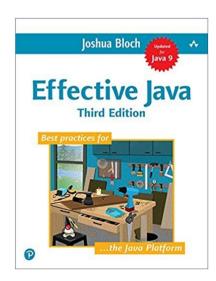
- Difference between to *architect* (process) and an *architecture* (result)
- If you think good architecture is expensive, try bad architecture
- Waste in architecture and design
- Good architects should be good developers

Amazon Service Architecture

- 1) All teams will henceforth expose their data and functionality through **service interfaces**.
- 2) Teams **must** communicate with each other through these interfaces.
- 3) There will be **no other form of interprocess communication allowed**: no direct linking, no direct reads of another team's data store, no shared-memory model, no backdoors whatsoever. The only communication allowed is via service interface calls over the network.
- 4) It doesn't matter what technology they use. HTTP, CORBA, Pub/Sub, custom protocols -- doesn't matter. Bezos doesn't care.
- 5) All service interfaces, without exception, must be designed from the ground up to be externalizable. That is to say, the team must plan and design to be able to expose the interface to developers in the outside world. No exceptions.
- 6) Anyone who doesn't do this will be fired.
- 7) Thank you; have a nice day! (By **Jeff Bezos**, CEO Amazon, 2002)

Cowboy Programmer

- "From the brain to the terminal"
- Spaghetti code, huge classes, huge methods
- No automatic tests
- No automatic build and delivery
- As never read "Effective Java"



Gold Plated Architecture

- No running code after weeks of work
 - Architects are incapable or refuse to write code
- Tons of UML diagrams
 - You have a kickback from the UML tool or the printer company
- Software Architecture Document SAD with hundreds of pages
 - Can be often found in Swiss companies
- Proof of concept on paper
 - Value is zero!
- All the patterns of the Gang of Four
 - Wow, the architect can read
- Copy Amazon or Netflix architecture for an internal product
 - Incredible, you have 2'000'000'000 customers, congratulations

Doing Agile instead of Being Agile

- Measuring velocity is odd because you should measure outcome
 - means value instead of output
- Undone Department Can You really ship?
 - You build it, You deploy it, You run it, and you document it!
- Doing Scrum damns you to deliver mediocre software every two weeks
- Being Agile means Scrum, eXtreme Programming, Lean → TDD, ATDD, DevOps, Agile Architecture, Refactoring, etc.
 - Learning and improving daily
 - Simple Test: How effective is your retrospective?
 - Simple Test: Is your CI/CD always green?

Good Principles (1/2)

- KISS Keep It Simple Stupid
- DRY Don't Repeat Yourself
- YAGNI You Aren't Gonna Need It
- Architecture is like gardening
 - Clean Architecture
 - Legacy solutions → Violation of clean approaches
 - Geriatric solutions → Time to leave

Good Principles (2/2)

- SOLID Five Design Principles
 - Single responsibility Principle
 - Open/Close Principle
 - Liskov Substitution Principle
 - Interface Segregation Principle
 - Dependency Inversion Principle

Architecture Styles: Old (technical)

Various architecture styles exist. Here some examples

- Batch Java Batch Module JSR-352
- Pipe and Filter Streams in Java
- Blackboard
- Client Server JEE servers
- Layered Systems (3-tier, N-tier, multi-tier architecture)

Architecture Styles: New (business)

- Micro-architecture
 - Bounded Domains parallel development
 - Build on Docker and Kubernetes
- Hexagon and Onion Design
 - Business Domain Model
- Reactive and Event Based JavaRX
 - Java Future, FutureCompletion, ...

Architecture Styles: Other (DevOps)

- Server Architecture
 - Barebone servers, virtual machines, docker images,
 Serverless
- Resilience
 - Redundancy, P2P, Serverless
- Security
 - Trusted, Secure and Untrusted Approaches

Links

- Git Introduction Switch Tube HSLU Video -
- What Software Architecture Should Look Like?, David Farley, GOTO 2022

Exercises (1/2)

- Read article "Who Needs Architects?" written by Martin Fowler
- Short YouTube video and long YouTube video by Martin Fowler
- Study Agile Manifesto and 12 Principles
- Explore LeSS architecture page
- How are you doing design and architecture?
 (team discussion and identify your improvements based on Manifesto principles)

Exercises (2/2)

- Install IntelliJ IDEA IDE
- Use Analyze Code of IntelliJ and install SonarLint Plugin
- PlantUML optionally plugin for IntelliJ IDEA
- AsciiDoc optionally plugin for IntelliJ IDEA
- You could also use SonarQube cloud account
- You should also use official school Gitlab to host your project
- Import your code and do Analyze Code with IDE and SonarLint. Your project must be under git (use university gitlab).