Falling in love with BDD

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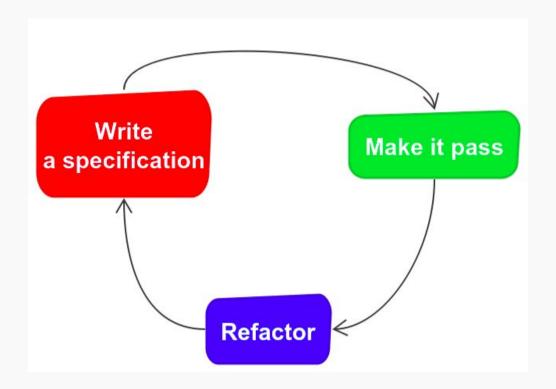


Let's start with a definition

Behaviour driven development - software development method that focuses on creating test using real-life examples.



TestFirst. Code second



Pros & Cons

- Focus on the end user
- + Living documentation
- + Collaboration between users, developers and testers
- + Automated test creation from the beginning

- Time overhead
- Feature files management
- Writing tests up front is more difficult

BDD frameworks

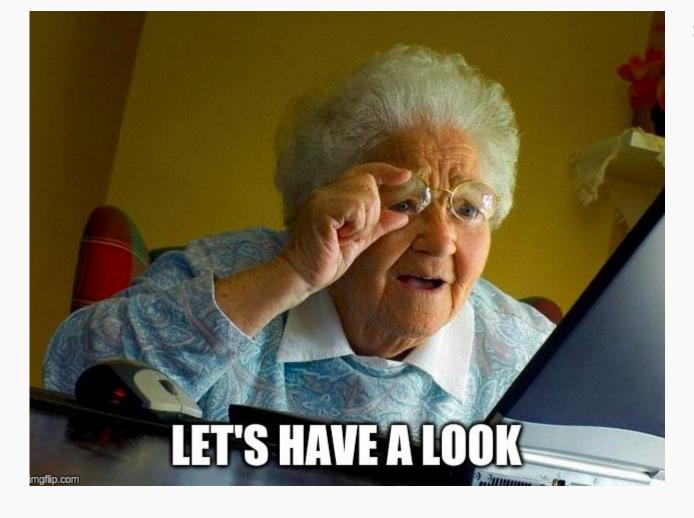














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Feature: Login
          Background: Navigate to homepage before every scenario
 4
            Given clean database
            And user "User123" exists with default password
 6
            And user is on "http://www.myUrl.com" page
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 9
          Scenario: User successfully login
10
            Given user fills in "username" with "user@localhost"
11
            And user fills in "password" with "myPassword"
12
            When user presses "Login"
13
            Then login message appears "Login is successful"
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          Scenario: User unsuccessfully login
16
            Given user fills in "username" with "user@localhost"
17
            And user fills in "password" with "incorrectPassword"
18
            When user presses "Login"
            Then login message appears "Invalid login credentials"
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```

Feature-Background-Scenario

Feature - provides a high-level description of a software feature, and to a group related scenarios. Every *.feature file consists of a single feature.

Background - allows to add some context in the feature and runs before each scenario.

Scenario - description of project behaviour from one or more users perspectives.

Given-When-Then

Given Preconditions or Initial Context

When Event or Trigger

Then Expected output

```
9 Scenario: User successfully login
10 Given user fills in "username" with "user@localhost"
11 And user fills in "password" with "myPassword"
12 When user presses "Login"
13 — Then login message appears "Login is successful"
```

Step definitions

Step definition maps the Scenario Steps in the feature files (introduced by Given/When/Then) into code.



```
68
            Given user is on "login" page
69
            When user login with an invalid username "John" and password "Snow"
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71
            Then error message appears "Bad credentials"
72
          @Given("^user is on \"([^\"]*)\" page$")
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70
          public void userIsOnPage(String path) {
71
            driver.navigate().to(String.format("http://localhost:%d/%s", port, path));
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          @When("^user login with an invalid username \"([^\"]*)\" and password \"([^\"]*)\"$")
75
          public void userLoginWithAnInvalidUsernameAndPassword(String username, String password) {
            driver.findElement(By.name("username")).sendKeys(username);
76
77
            driver.findElement(By.name("password")).sendKeys(password);
78
            driver.findElement(By.tagName("button")).submit();
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80
          @Then("^error message appears \"([^\"]*)\"$")
81
82
          public void errorMessageAppears(String errorMessage) {
83
            driver.findElement(
                By.xpath(String.format("//*[contains(text(), '%s')]", errorMessage)));
84
85
```

Parametrization

Parameterization - allows to run the same scenario for two or more different input data.

```
3 Scenario: eat 5 out of 20
4 Given there are 20 apples
5 When I eat 5 apples
6 Then I should have 15 apples
7
8 Scenario: eat 10 out of 20
9 Given there are 20 apples
10 When I eat 10 apples
11 Then I should have 10 apples
```

Hooks

Hooks - blocks of code that run **before** or **after** each scenario.

```
@Before
          public void beforeScenario(){
10
            System.out.println("This will run before the every Scenario");
13
          @After
14
          public void afterScenario(){
            System.out.println("This will run after the every Scenario");
18
          @Before("@First")
19
          public void beforeFirst(){
20
            System.out.println("This will run only before the First Scenario");
22
          @After("@First")
24
          public void afterFirst(){
            System.out.println("This will run only after the First Scenario");
```

The purpose of hooks

- Starting webdriver
- Setting DB connections
- Setting test data
- Setting up browser cookies
- Anything else before the test

- Killing webdriver
- Closing DB connections
- Clearing test data
- Clearing up browser cookies
- Anything else after the test

Tips & Tricks

- Understand BDD process
- Know the code-base
- Be active and knowledgeable
- Write meaningful titles
- One test per scenario
- Use tables/tags
- Remember that missing scenarios may be bugs



Thank you!

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Any questions?