

DEMYSTIFYING ACCEPTANCE TEST DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT (ATDD)

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IT PROJECTS – 10 MIN

Why IT Projects Fail?
Traditional Models & Testing
Agile Model & Testing
Brian Marick's Test Categories

USER STORY

DISCOVERY - 30 MIN

Simple Bank Application
[Group Activity]

OVERVIEW OF ATDD – 15 MIN

Where to Begin?
ATDD Cycle
Building Software
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Let's practice

ATDD TOOLS

OVERVIEW – 10 MIN

ATDD Tools
FITNESE

SESSION AGENDA

ENVIRONMENT
SETUP - 10 MIN

BREAK - 10 MIN

USING FITNESSE FOR DATABASE
ACCEPTANCE TESTS - 10 MIN

• *Demo of DBFit*

ATDD—THINGS TO WATCH OUT !!

ATDD - HANDS-ON
TUTORIAL 75 - 80 MIN

- *Definition of Executable Specification in Fitnessse*
- *Implement Fixtures & Code*

BEYOND ATDD - 5 MIN

Q&A - 5MIN

WHY IT PROJECTS FAIL?

(3 MIN – COME UP WITH AT LEAST 3 REASONS)

WHY IT PROJECTS FAIL?

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Why IT Projects Fail

\$63 billion is the amount of money spent on IT projects that fail in the U.S.

WHY IT PROJECTS FAIL?

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Why IT Projects Fail

Not all projects simply die. Missed deadlines, blown budgets, and end products with inadequate features and functions count, too.

WHY IT PROJECTS FAIL?

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KEY CAUSE OF FAILURE:

**Lack of User
Involvement**

**Users must be part of
project from beginning
to end.**

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KEY CAUSE OF FAILURE

**Poor Requirements
Developers struggle
when specifications
are vague, forcing
them to provide what
they think is needed.**

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KEY CAUSE OF FAILURE

Scope creep

When projects take add requirements on the fly, deadlines and resources often are not properly adjusted accordingly.

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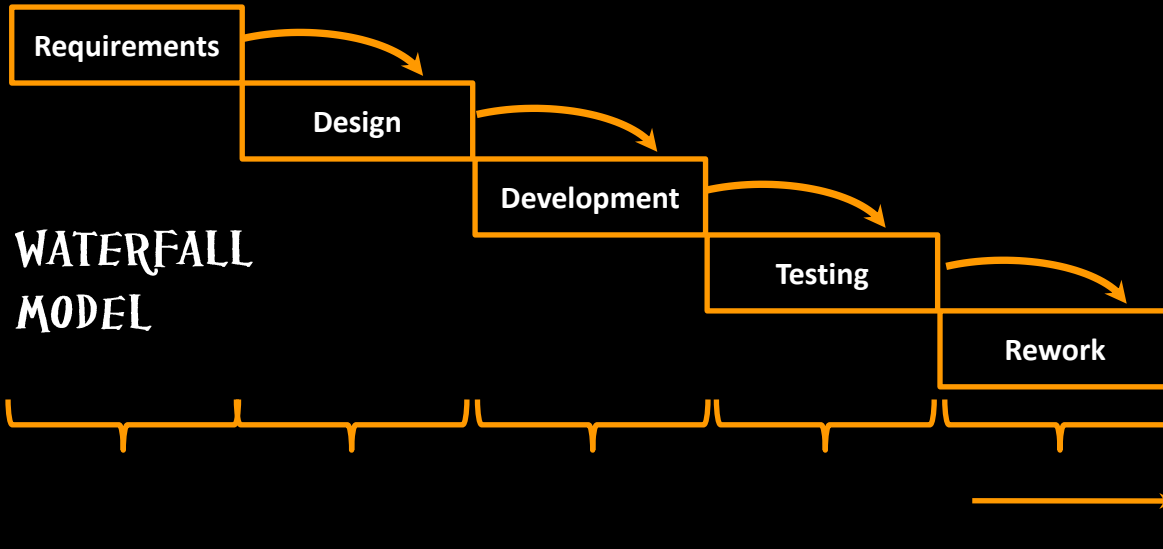
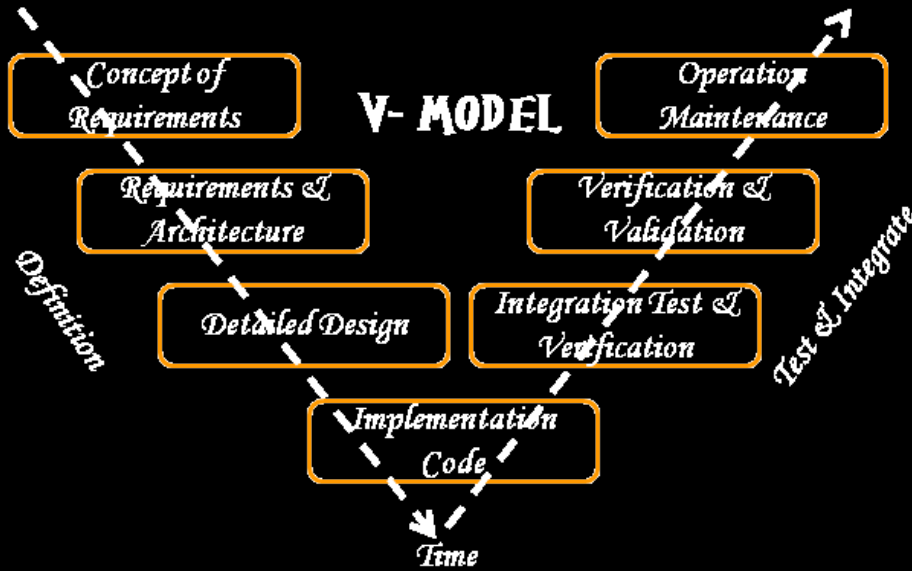
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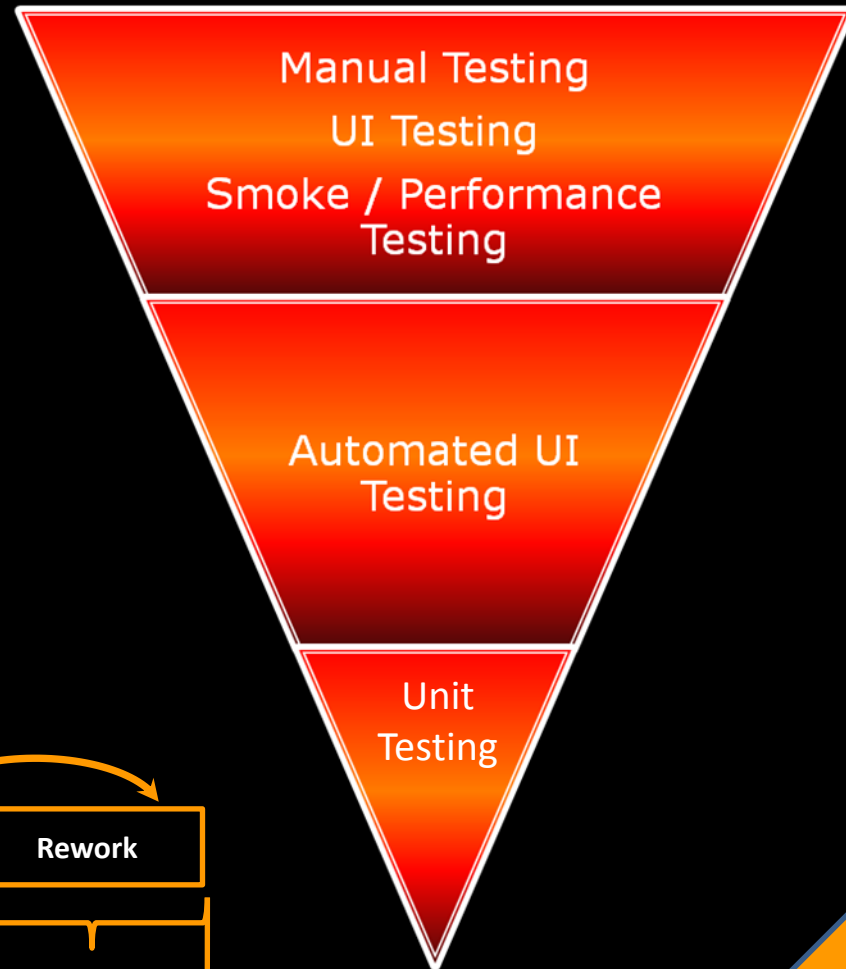
Poor Testing

**Inadequately-trained
users don't know
what to look for;
testing objectives
must be clear.**

TRADITIONAL MODELS & TESTING

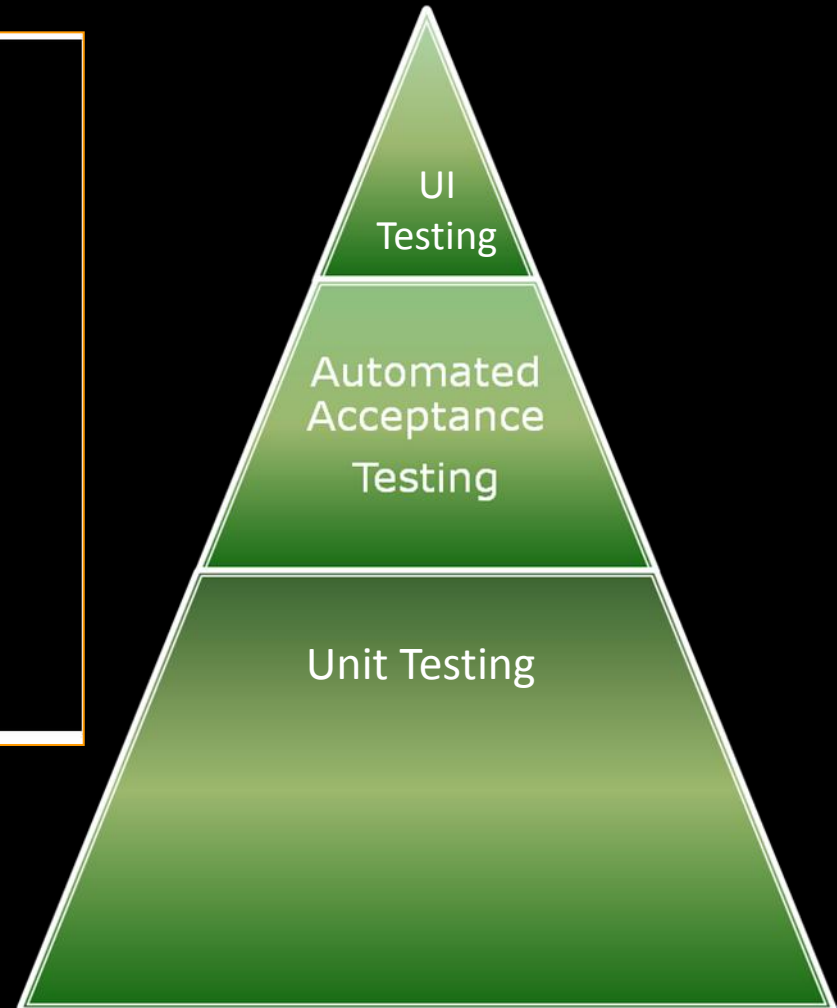
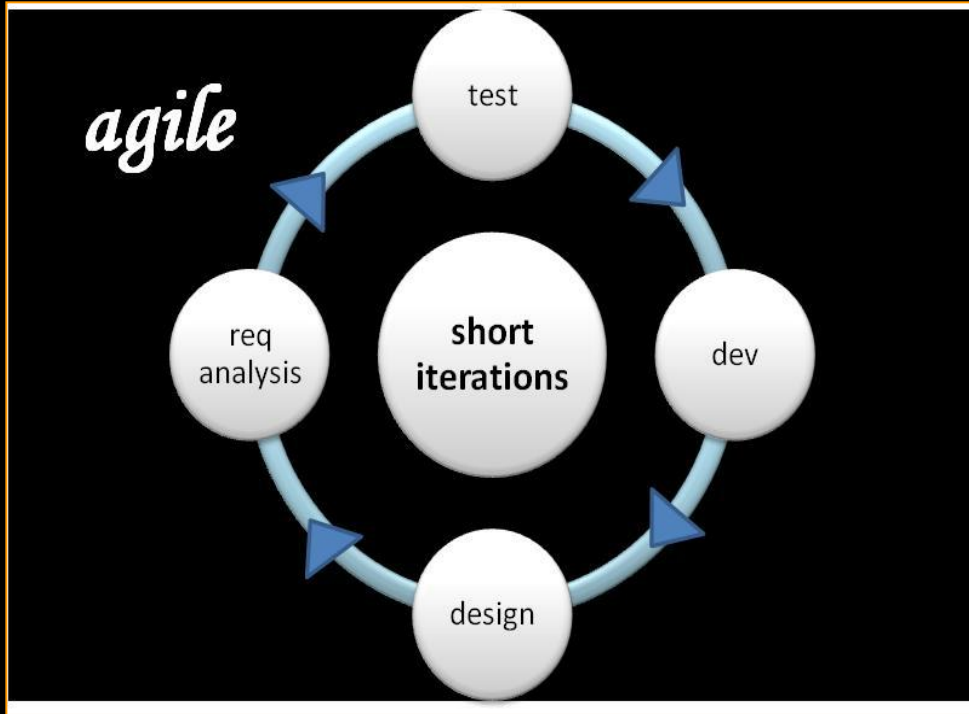


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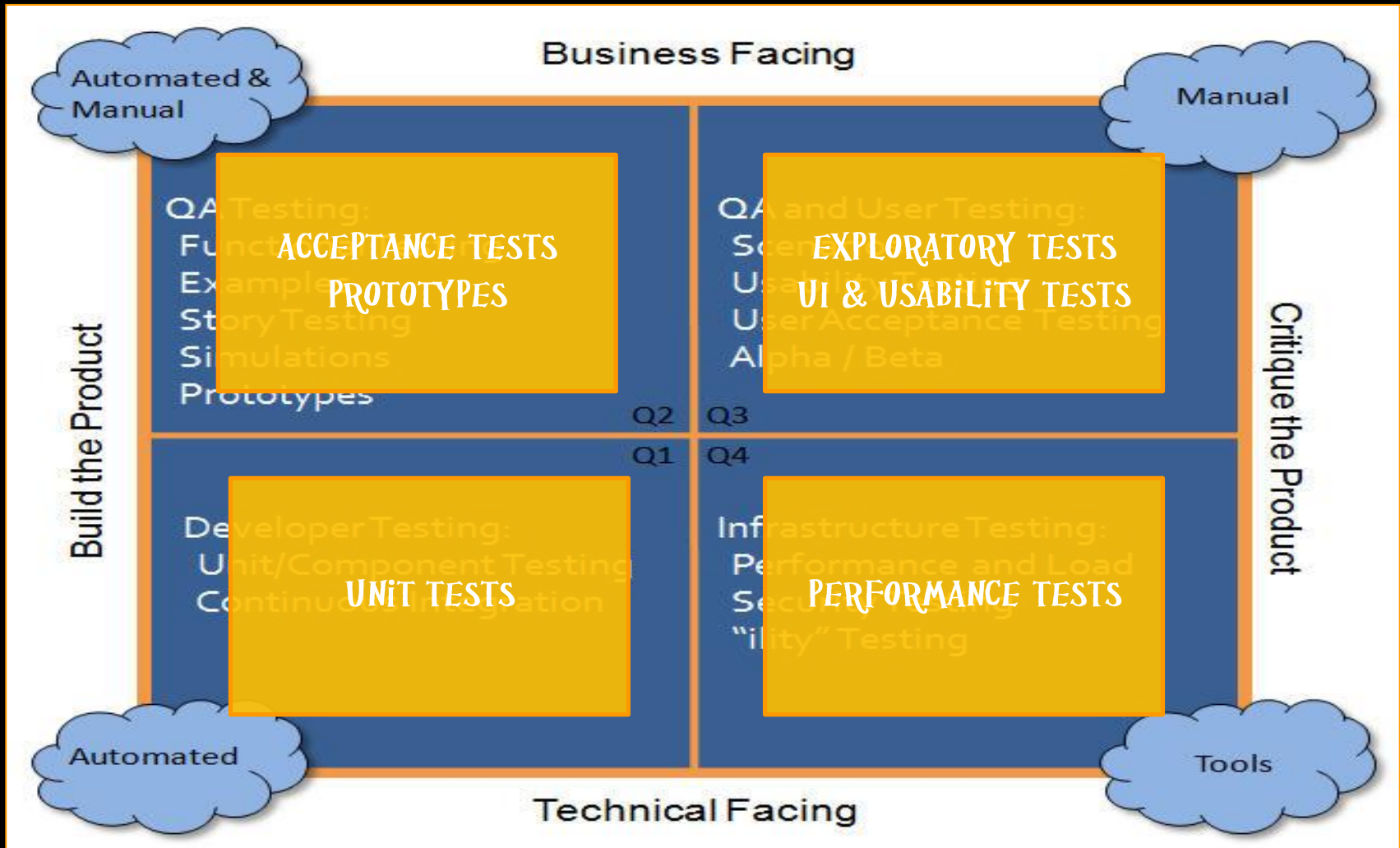
AGILE MODEL & TESTING

AGILE TESTING MIKE COHN'S TESTING PYRAMID



TEST CATEGORIES

Brian Marick's Test Categorization



OVERVIEW OF ATDD

ACCEPTANCE TEST DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT

Acceptance test driven development(ATDD) is

- A collaborative practice*
- Application developers, software users, and business analysts define automated acceptance criteria very early in the application development process.*
- ATDD helps to ensure that all project members understand precisely what needs to be done, even before the programming starts.*
- They then use the acceptance criteria to guide subsequent development work.*

WHERE TO BEGIN?

BEGIN WITH USER STORIES...

So, what are they?

- *Brief description of functionality to be implemented.*
- *Token for conversation (3Cs – Card, Conversation & Communications)*
- *Implementable in one sprint/iteration.*
- *Contains 'Acceptance Criteria'*

Example:

Story ID: _____

Priority

1

Story:

As a *[type of user]*

I want to *[perform some task]*

so that I can *[reach some goal]*

Value

Acceptance Criteria:

WHERE TO BEGIN?

DEFINE ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA...

So, what are they?

- *Provided by Business or Customer.*
- *Arrived by conversation (business, dev and testers).*
- *Ensures there are adequate conditions for a story to be accepted.*

WHERE TO BEGIN?

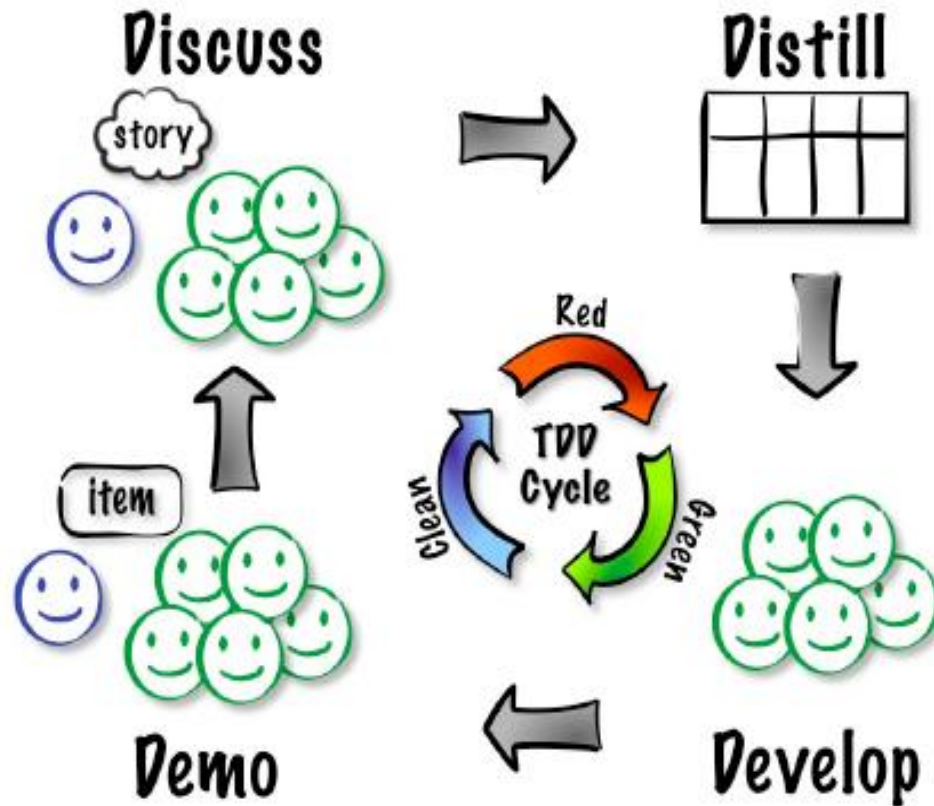
DEFINE ACCEPTANCE TESTS...

So, what are they?

- *Helps in implementing 'Acceptance Criteria'*
- *Collaboratively arrive at examples for 'Acceptance Criteria'*
 - *Examples include Data & Test Scenarios' (Inputs and Expected Outputs)*

ATDD CYCLE

Acceptance Test Driven Development (ATDD) Cycle



(ATDD cycle model developed by James Shore with changes suggested by Grigori Melnick, Brian Marick, and Elisabeth Hendrickson.)

BUILDING SOFTWARE – KEY QUESTIONS

BUSINESS FACING

ATDD

Are we building right software

Are we building software right

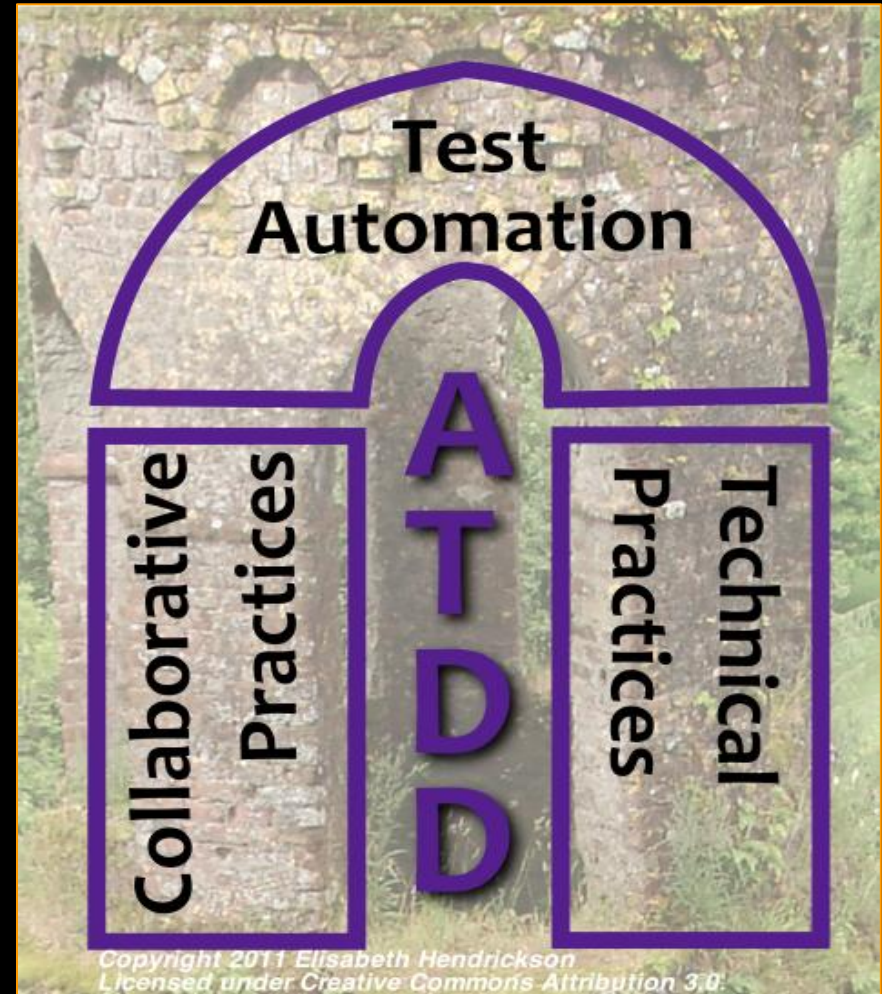
TDD

TECHNOLOGY FACING

DOES ATDD REPLACE TDD

NOPE !!!...

**IN FACT ATDD IS ALL
ABOUT**



ATDD BENEFITS

- *Implement changes efficiently.*
- *Build consensus amongst developers, testers and business.*
- *Arrive at scope from goals.*
- *Drive better estimation and work alignment.*
- *Maintain executable specs and living documentation.*
- *Better traceability*
- *Reduce rework and build better software.*

ATDD SUMMARY

ACCEPTANCE TESTS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO
AGILE TESTING !!!

- Owned by *Business or Customers*.
- Written together by *Collaboration* (dev, testers and business)
- Determine when feature is *DONE*.
- Focuses on *WHAT* not *HOW*.
- More than anything it's a *COMMUNICATION TOOL* and *NOT* about using a *TOOL*.

LET'S PRACTICE

WRITE A USER STORY FOR A SIMPLE LOGIN SCREEN....

- *Write a User Story (use the story card provided)*
- *Ensure the ROLE, ACTION, CONTEXT is articulated*
- *Define 'Acceptance Criteria'*
- *Define 'Acceptance Tests' (Test Examples/Scenarios)*

Login to MyBank

User Name:

Password:

OK

USER STORY DISCOVERY

(SIMPLE BANK APPLICATION - MYBANK)

MYBANK - USER STORIES

SELF ORGANIZE INTO SMALL GROUPS OF 4-5 PEOPLE IN EACH GROUP !!!

Iteration 1: 15 min

- *Identify the requirements for a Simple Bank Application called MyBank - 10 min*
- *Debrief: 5 min*

Iteration 2: 15 min

- *Articulate 'Acceptance Criteria' for the User Stories – 10 min*
- *Debrief – 5 min*



ATDD TOOLS

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TABLE BASED

FITNESSE (http://fitnesse.org/)	robotframework (http://code.google.com/p/robotframework/)	Concordion (http://concordion.org/)
		Concordion

NARRATIVE BASED

JBehave (http://jbehave.org/)	Cucumber (http://cukes.info/)
	

ATDD TOOLS

Welcome to FitNesse!



Demo!!

FITNESSE IN BRIEF

- *Wiki based environment for creating and running Fit tables.*
- *Test in Fitnessse is recorded into 'Fit tables'*
 - *basically are HTML tables.*
 - *Owned by Customers/BA/Testers*
- *Fit tables have a reference to the Fixture(s).*
 - *Fixture(s) is the full name of the code that will interpret the table. (In Java, it's a class.)*
- *Fitnessse supports the running of multiple tests at once, with test suites.*

FITNESSE FIXTURES

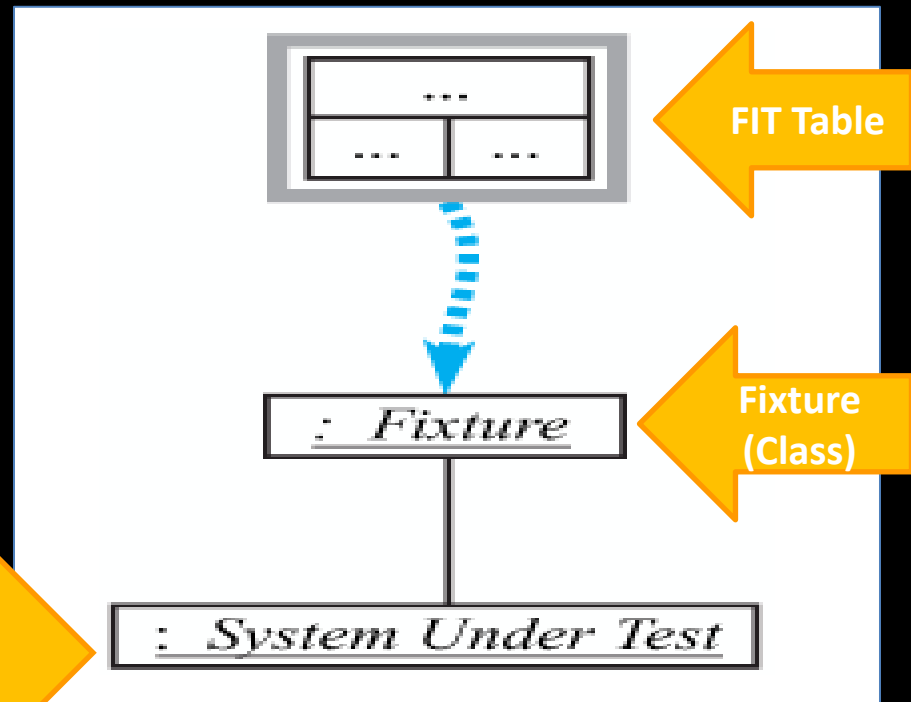
Basic FIT fixtures

- ColumnFixture
- ActionFixture
- RowFixture
- .
- .

FitLibrary Fixtures

- SetUpFixture
- CalculateFixture
- DoFixture
- .
- .

A fixture acts as an intermediary between a Fit table and a system under test



ENVIRONMENT SETUP

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LET'S VERIFY THE ENVIRONMENT !!!
(10 MIN)

Part 1:

- *Set JAVA_HOME [Environment Variable]*
- *Start Eclipse*
- *Start Fitnessse*

Part 2:

- *Create MyBank page in Fitnessse*
- *Create a test table in Fitnessse*
- *Implement test fixture in Eclipse*

BREAK !!!
(10 MIN...)

LET'S GO HANDS ON NOW!!!

(iMPLEMENT EXECUTABLE SPECiFiCATIONS)

ATDD – HANDS ON (75-80 MIN)

LET'S IMPLEMENT EXECUTABLE SPECIFICATIONS IN
SHORT ITERATIONS !!

(PART 1 - 40 MIN)

Iteration 1: (Lead and Follow) - 20 min

- *User Story 1*
- *User Story 2*

Iteration 2: (You do we watch) - 20 min

- *User Story 3*
- *User Story 4*

ATDD – HANDS ON (75-80 MIN)

LET'S IMPLEMENT EXECUTABLE SPECIFICATIONS IN
SHORT ITERATIONS !!

(PART 2 – 40 MIN)

Iteration 3 (Lead and Follow) - 20 min

- *User Story 1*
- *User Story 2*

Iteration 4: (You do we watch) - 20 min

- *User Story 3*
- *User Story 4*

ATDD AND DATABASE

DATABASE ACCEPTANCE TESTS USING DBFit !!! (10 MIN)

- *What is Dbfit?*
- *Where does it fit in ATDD?*
- *How to implement ?*
- *Demo (10 min)*

ATDD – THINGS TO WATCH OUT !!

- *ATDD is for collaborating on understanding the behaviour of the system that*
 - *helps drive development but NOT*
 - *Using ATDD as QA test automation tool*
- *Organize tests by creating test suites for functional areas*
- *Avoid duplication by having include pages than recreating the tests.*
- *Avoid building dependencies between tests. Try hard to make tests independent.*
- *Avoid writing fixtures first prior to deriving acceptance test tables will defeat the purpose of ATDD*
- *Version Control and part of Daily Builds*

ATDD – THINGS TO WATCH OUT !!

- *What's good about FITNESSE*
 - *Acceptance Tests can be written before the iteration starts*
 - *Anyone, including Non-technical members on the team can contribute to testing*
 - *Tables are easy to understand and expand.*
 - *It is easy to hook up FitNesse with existing testing fixtures, thus greatly reduces the code duplication and cost of the fixtures*

ATDD – THINGS TO WATCH OUT !!

- *What's difficult about FITNESSE*
 - *Error messages can be very confusing and difficult to debug*
 - *Refactor – not an issue with FitNesse but an issue with those writing fixtures and tests. Fixtures are code and*
 - *should be kept clean like production code.*

BEYOND ATDD

WHERE TO FROM ATDD (5 MIN)

- *Selenium on top of ATDD*
- *Fitnium*



Questions

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