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What is BDD

M A typical BDD workflow

What tools should I use?

Effective BDD automation

BDD Gotchas

So what is this BDD thing?

Using examples

#BDD in a tweet: Using examples at multiple levels to create a shared understanding and surface uncertainty to deliver software that matters



a shared understanding

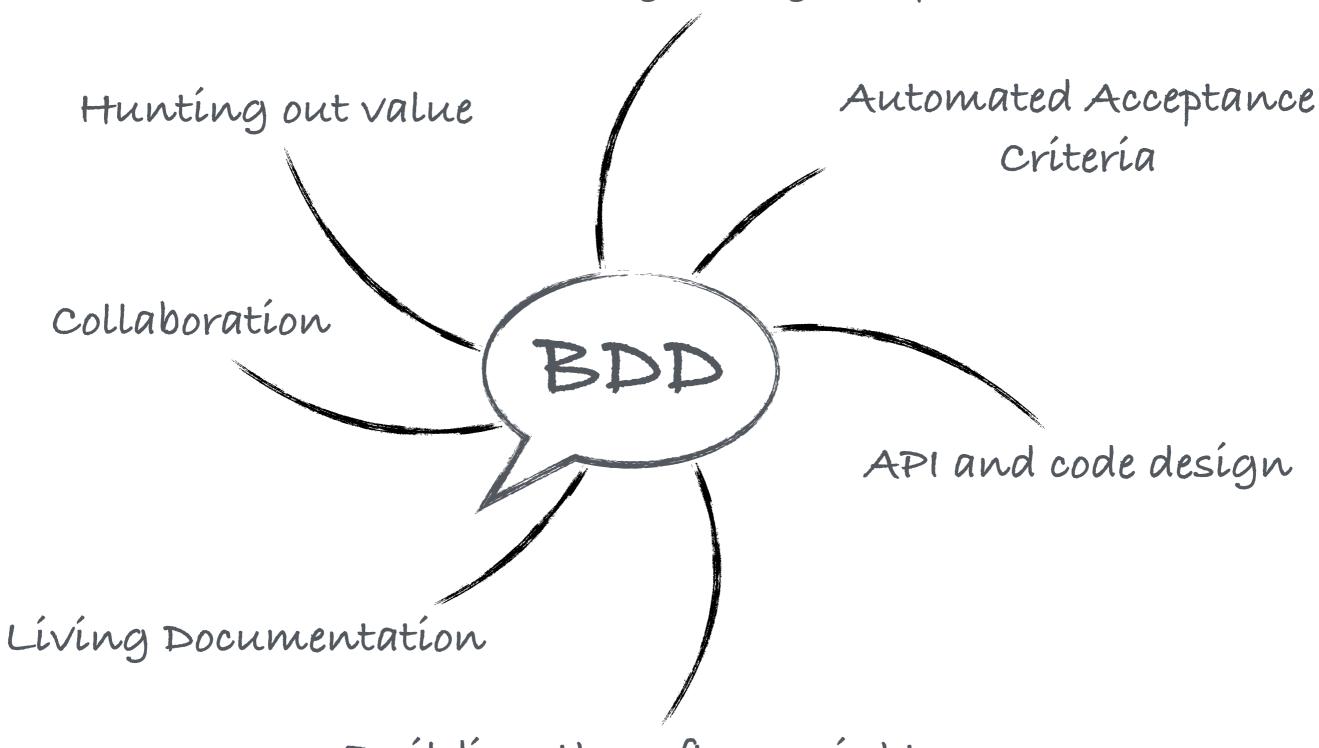


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software that matters

So what is this BDD thing?

Building the right software



Building the software right

BDD in a nutshell











A traditional development process

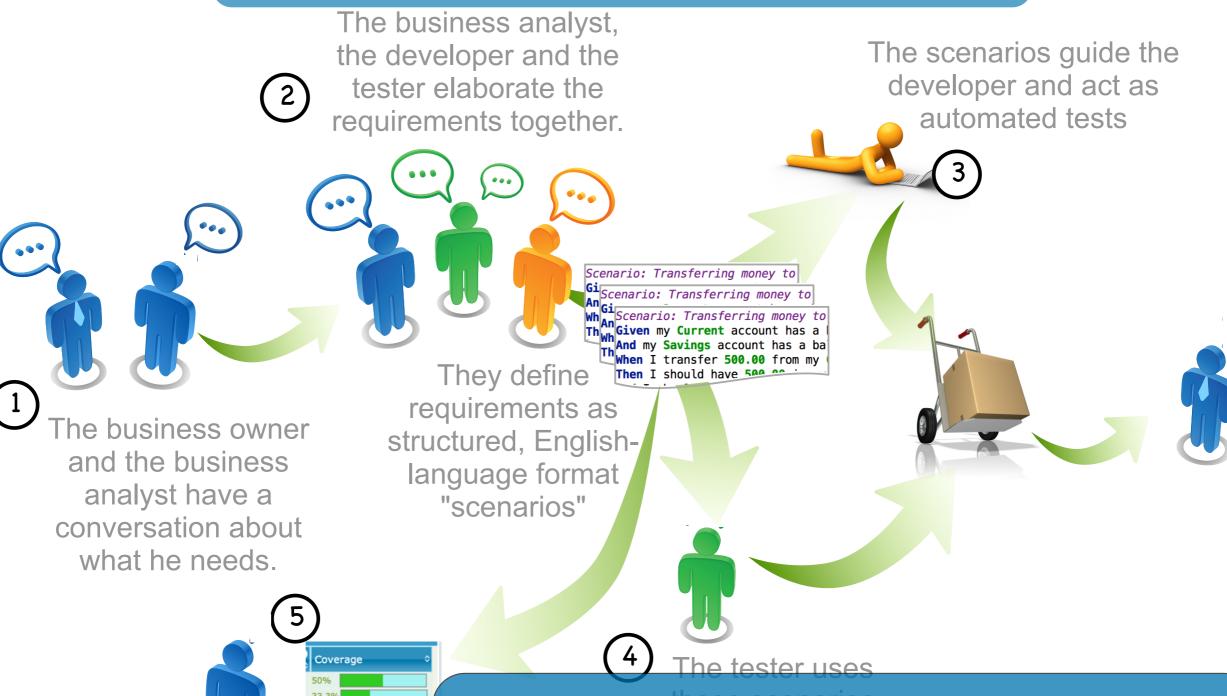
BDD in a nutshell



what he needs.

A BDD development process

BDD in a nutshell



The automated tests provide feedback on progress and he document the application

- Specifications are elaborated collaboratively
- Specifications use a common language
- Executable specifications provide fast feedback

Frequent Flyer Application

Goal: Encourage travellers to fly with Flying High airlines more often by allowing them to cumulate Frequent Flyer points that they can spend on cheaper flights.

Goals

Earning points from flights

Earning points from spending with partners

Viewing points

earned

Spending points on bookings

Capabilities

Viewing current points balance

View points needed to achieve the next status level

Calculating points needed for a given destination

Features

Calculating points needed for a given destination

As a traveller

I want to know how many points I need to go to a given destination So that I can plan my next trip with Flying High Airlines Feature

Acceptance Criteria

- -Need 2 points per km
- -Members can calculate points needed on their account home page

Acceptance Criteria

Scenario: Required points between different destinations

Given I want to go from <departure> to <destination>
When I calculate the number of required points

Then I should obtain <requiredPoints>
Examples:

Examples:								
	departure	destination	requiredPoints					
	SYD	MEL	1700					
	MEL	SYD	1700					
	SYD	SF0	13000					
	MEL	WLG	4400					
	MEL	LAX	12400					
	BNE	SYD	1700					
	BNE	LAX	12400					
	LAX	BNE	12400					

Automated Acceptance Criteria

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departure
            |destination
                            requiredPoints
SYD
            MEL
                            1700
MEL
            SYD
                            1700
ISYD
            SF0
                            13000
MEL
            WLG
                            4400
MEL
                            12400
            LAX
BNE
            SYD
                            1700
BNE
            LAX
                            12400
LAX
                            12400
             BNE
```

Automated Acceptance Criteria

```
@When("I calculate the number of required points")
public void calculateRequiredPoints() {
    calculatedPoints = restClient.calculateRequiredPoints(departure, destination);
}

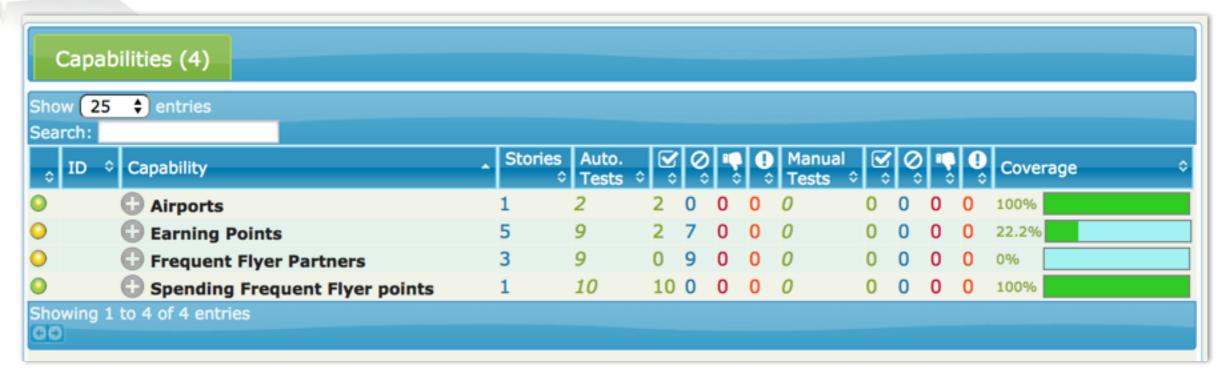
@Then("I should obtain <requiredPoints>")
public void checkCalculatedPoints(int requiredPoints) {
    assertThat(calculatedPoints).isEqualTo(requiredPoints);
}
```

Automated Acceptance Tests

```
@When("I calculate the number of required points")
 public void calculateRequiredPoints() {
                                                                                   Automated
     calculatedPoints = restClient.calculateRequiredPoints(departure, destination);
                                                                                   Acceptance
 @Then("I should obtain <requiredPoints>")
 public void checkCalculatedPoints(int requiredPoints) {
                                                                                        Tests
     assertThat(calculatedPoints).isEqualTo(requiredPoints);
@RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.GET, value = "/rest/api/routes/calculatePoints")
public int calculateRequiredPoints(@RequestParam("departureCode") String departureCode,
                                  @RequestParam("destinationCode") String destinationCode)
       throws NoSuchRouteException {
  return (departureCode.equals(destinationCode)) ?
            pointsCalculator.calculatePointsRequiredBetween(departureCode, destinationCode):
                                                                          Application Code
def "Required points should be calculated based on route distance"() {
```



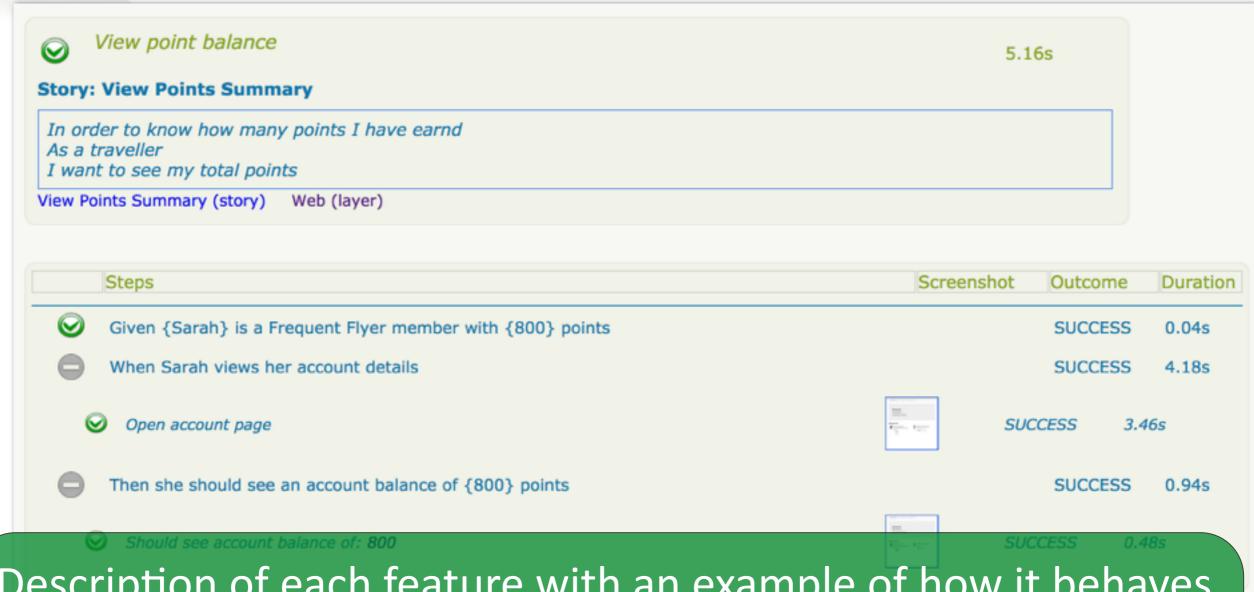
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Meaningful feedback on what requirements have (and have not) been delivered



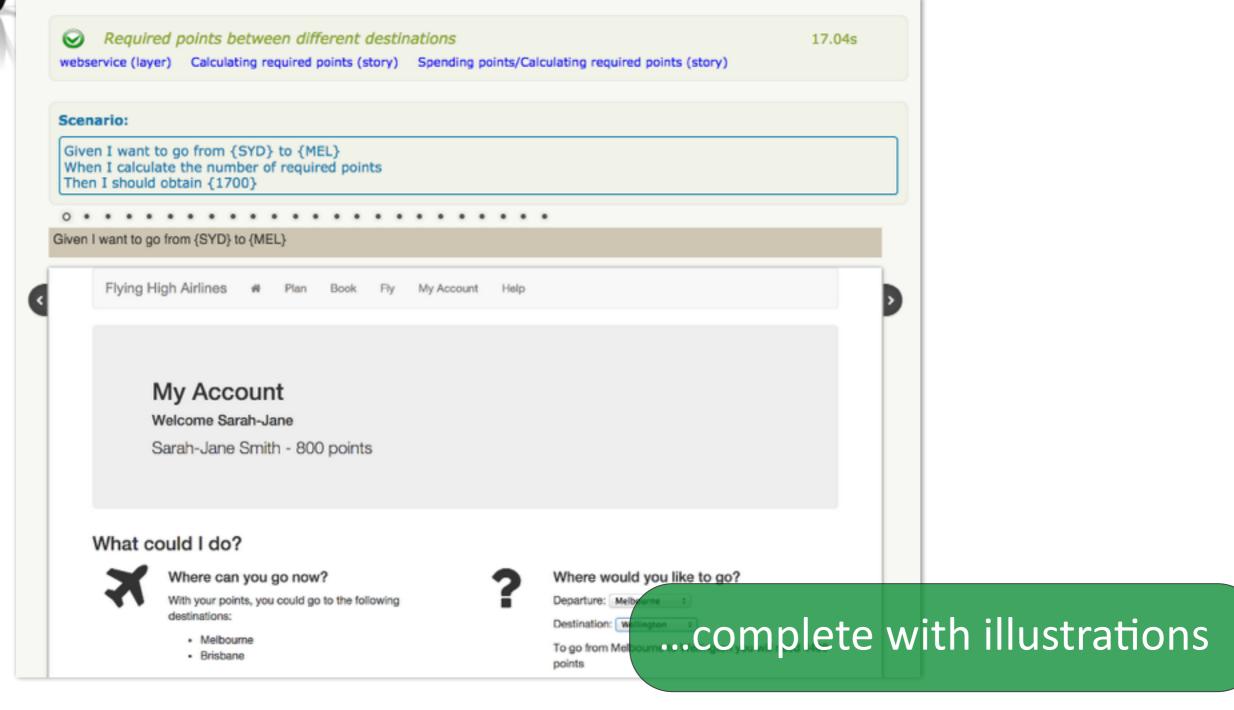
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Description of each feature with an example of how it behaves

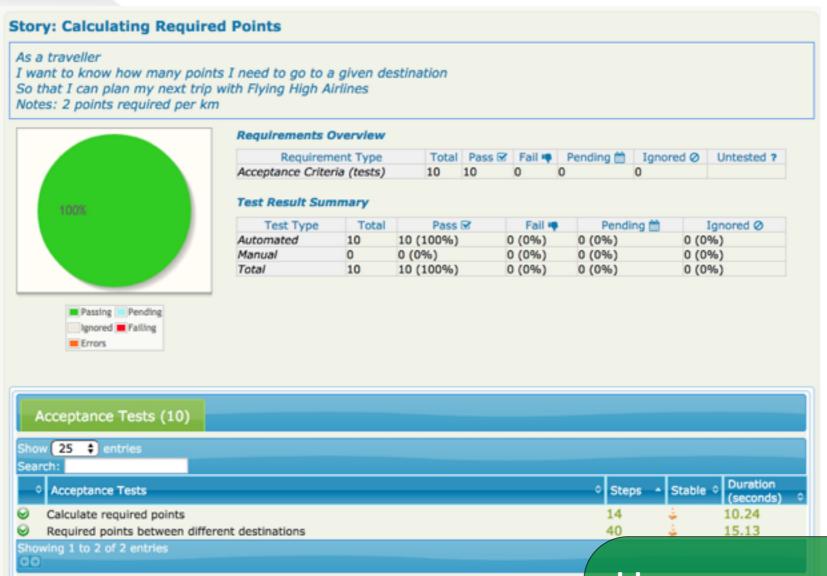


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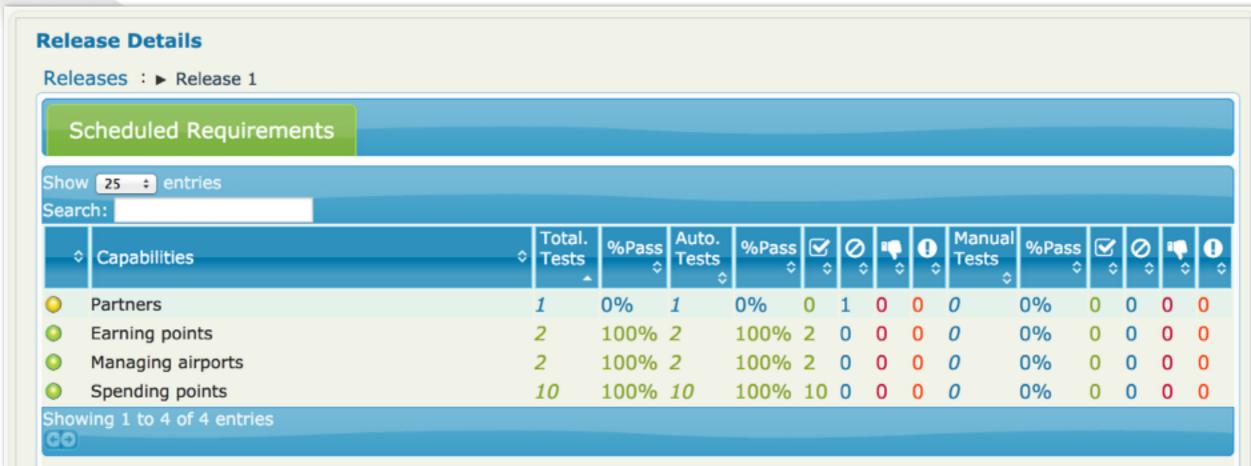
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How was each feature tested?



"But what are the deliverables?



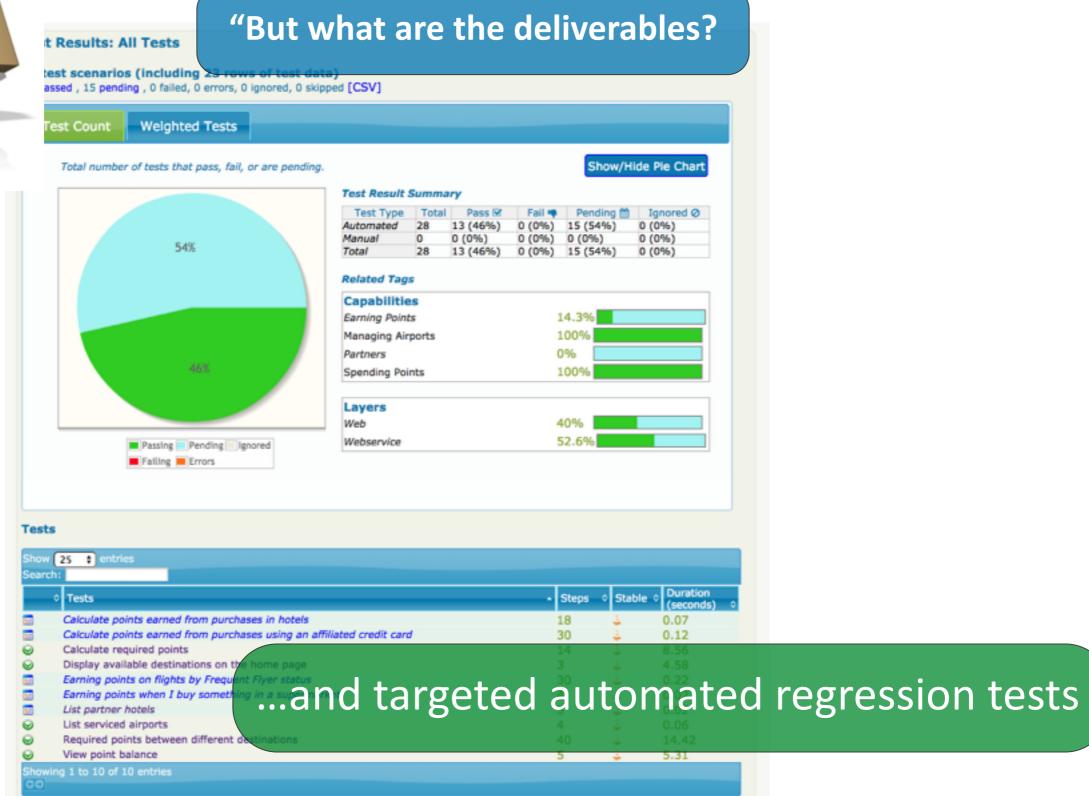
Documentation about what you plan to deliver in each release



"But what are the deliverables?

Useful low-level technical documentation with little overhead





What tool should I use?



Collaboration before Automation





High-level BDD

Reporting for non-developers as well as developers



- Communicate about features that business owners will understand and find meaningful
- Higher automation and maintenance costs





thucydides



```
Scenario: Members should get status updates based on status points earned
Given a member has a status of <initialStatus>
And he has <initialStatusPoints> status points
When he earns <extraPoints> extra status points
Then he should have a status of <finalStatus>
Examples:
 initialStatus | initialStatusPoints | extraPoints | finalStatus
                                                                  notes
                                                     Silver
                                                                  300 points for Silver
 Bronze
                                       300
                                                                  700 points for Gold
 Silver
                                       700
                                                     Gold
 Gold
                                       1500
                                                     Platinum
                                                                   1500 points for Platinum
```

```
@Given("he has <initialStatusPoints> status points")
public void earned status points(int initialStatusPoints) {
    member.setStatusPoints(initialStatusPoints);
}

@When("he earns <extraPoints> extra status points")
public void earn extra status points(int extraPoints) {
    member.earns(extraPoints).statusPoints();
}

@Then("he should have a status of <finalStatus>")
public void should have status of(Status finalStatus) {
    assertThat(member.getStatus()).isEqualTo(finalStatus);
}
```

Cucumber

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Scenario Outline: Members should get status updates based on status points earned
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Examples:
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                                                      Silver
  Bronze
                                        300
  Silver
                                                      Gold
                                        700
                                                      Platinum
  Gold
                                        1500
```

```
@Given("^he has (\\d+) status points$")
public void earned_status_points(int initialStatusPoints) {
    member.setStatusPoints(initialStatusPoints);
}

@When("^he earns (\\d+) extra status points$")
public void earn_extra_status_points(int extraPoints) {
    member.earns(extraPoints).statusPoints();
}

@Then("^he should have a status of (.+)$")
public void he_should_have_status_of(Status finalStatus) {
    assertThat(member.getStatus()).isEqualTo(finalStatus);
}
```

Cucumber + Groovy

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Examples:
 initialSta
this.metaClass.mixin(cucumber.api.groovy.Hooks)
              this.metaClass.mixin(cucumber.api.groovy.EN)
  Silver
  Gold
              FrequentFlyer member;
              Given(~"^a member has a status of (.+)") { Status initialStatus ->
                  member = FrequentFlyer.withFrequentFlyerNumber("12345678").named("Joe", "Bloggs")
                  member.setStatus(initialStatus)
              |Given(~"^he has (\\d+) status points") {    int initialStatusPoints ->
                  member.setStatusPoints(initialStatusPoints)
              When(~"^he earns (\\d+) extra status points") { int extraPoints ->
                  member.earns(extraPoints).statusPoints()
              Then(\sim"^he should have a status of (.+)") { Status finalStatus \rightarrow
                  assert member.status == finalStatus
```

thucydides

- **M**Living documentation
- **M**Requirements reporting
- Encourages good test architecture
- Good WebDriver integration
- Works with other BDD tools



Junit + thucydides

```
@RunWith(ThucydidesRunner.class)
public ctass talcutatingStatusBasedOnPointsScenario {

@Steps
private EarningStatusPointsSteps steps;

@Test
public void new_members_should_start_out_as_Bronze() {
    steps.user_is_not_a_Frequent_Flyer_member("Jill", "Smith");
    steps.registers_on_the_Frequent_Flyer_program();
    steps.should_have_status_of(Status.Bronze);
}
```

Juit + thucydides



New members should start out as bronze

0.12s

Story: Calculating Status Based On Points Scenario

Calculating Status Based On Points Scenario (story)

	Steps	Outcome	Duration
Θ	Given Jill Smith is not a Frequent Flyer member	SUCCESS	0.02s
Θ	When she registers on the Frequent Flyer program	SUCCESS	0s
Θ	Then she should have a status of Bronze	SUCCESS	0.01s





Tip #1 - Use Layers

Business Rules

Business Flow

Page/Component interactions

Page/Component details

```
Given I am a frequent flyer

And I am on the My Account page

When I calculate the points needed to go from <departure> to <destination>

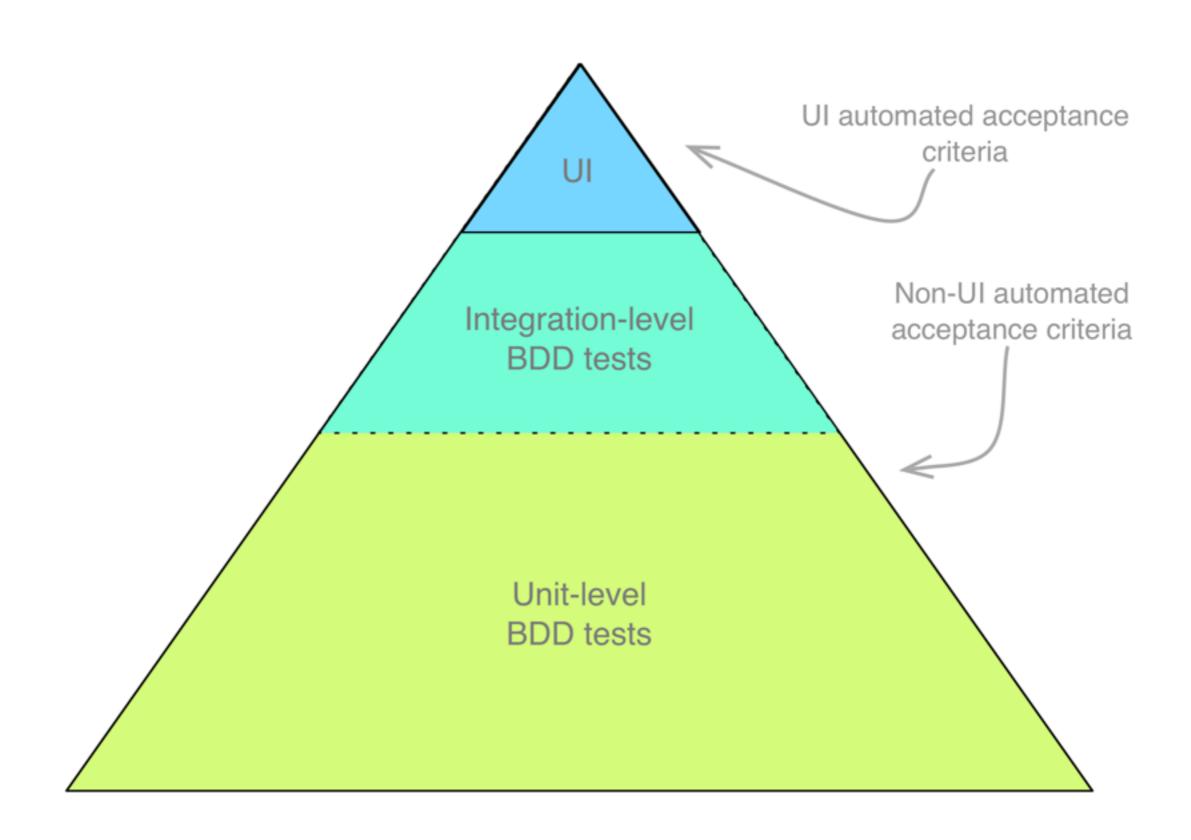
Then I should see <requiredPoints> points

Examples:

|departure |destination |requiredPoints|
|Sydney |Melbourne |1700 |
|Melbourne |Wellington |4400 |
```

```
public int getCalculatedPoints() {
    return Integer.valueOf($(".requiredPoints").getText());
}
```

Tip #2 - Favour non-UI tests where possible



Tip #3 - Know when not to automate

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Low-level BDD

- Technical documentation for other developers
- Implementation details that business owners may not be interested in
- Faster to write and easier to maintain

JUnit



spock RSpec



JUnit

```
@RunWith(SpringJUnit4ClassRunner.class)
@SpringApplicationConfiguration(classes = FlightsApp.class)
@WebAppConfiguration
@IntegrationTest({"server.port=0", "management.port=0"})
public class InitializingTheAirportsIT {
    @Autowired
    private DatabaseSetup databaseSetup;
    @Autowired
    private AirportRepository airportRepository;
   @Test
   public void should_instantiate_database_with_standard_airports() {
                         tializeReferenceData()
        databaseSetup:initia
        List<Airport> airports = airportRepository.findAll();
       assertThat(airports).isNotEmpty();
```

Good naming conventions are the first step towards BDD

spock

Readable executable specifications in Groovy

spock

```
class WhenEarningStatus extends Specification {
    def "should earn status based on the number of points earned"() {
        given:
        def member = FrequentFlyer.withFrequentFlyerNumber("12345678")
                .named("Joe", "Jones")
                .withStatusPoints(initialPoints)
                .withStatus(initialStatus);
        when:
        member.earns(earnedPoints).statusPoints()
        then:
        member.status == finalStatus
        initialStatus
                        initialPoints |
                                         earnedPoints
                                                         finalStatus
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                                                         <u>Platinum</u>
                                         1500
        Gold
```

Great support for data-driven tests

spock

```
class WhenCalculatingRequiredPoints extends Specification {
   def routeRepository = Mock(RouteRepository);
   def sydney = new Airport("Australia", "Sydney", "SYD")
   def melbourne = new Airport("Australia", "Melbourne", "MEL")
   def DISTANCE = 1000
   def REQUIRED_POINTS = DISTANCE * 2
   def "Required points should be calculated based on route distance"() {
        given:
            routeRepository.findByDepartureCodeAndDestinationCode("SYD","MEL") >>
                    [Route.from(sydney).to(melbourne).withDistanceOf(DISTANCE).km()]
            def pointsCalculator = new PointsCalculator(routeRepository)
        when:
            int calculatedPoints = pointsCalculator.calculatePointsRequiredBetween("SYD", "MEL");
        then:
            calculatedPoints == REQUIRED_POINTS
```

Powerful and light-weight stubbing and mocking

spock

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class WhenCalculatingRequiredPoints extends Specification {
    def routeRepository = Mock(RouteRepository);

    def sydney = new Airport("Australia", "Sydney", "SYD")
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def DISTANCE = 1000
    def REQUIRED_POINTS = DISTANCE * 2

def "Required points should be calculated based on route distance"() {...}

def "Required points should be calculated in both directions"() {...}

def "Should throw NoSuchRouteException if no routes are available"() {...}
```

Makes very readable specifications

Lambda-Behave

```
@RunWith(JunitSuiteRunner.class)
public class CreatingAnAirportSpecification {{
    Airport airport = Airport.called("Sydney").inCountry("Australia").withCode("SYD");

    describe("an airport", it -> {
        it.should("be created with the correct values", expect -> {
            expect.that(airport).hasProperty("name", equalTo("Sydney"));
            expect.that(airport).hasProperty("code", equalTo("SYD"));
            expect.that(airport).hasProperty("country", equalTo("Australia"));
        });
    });
```

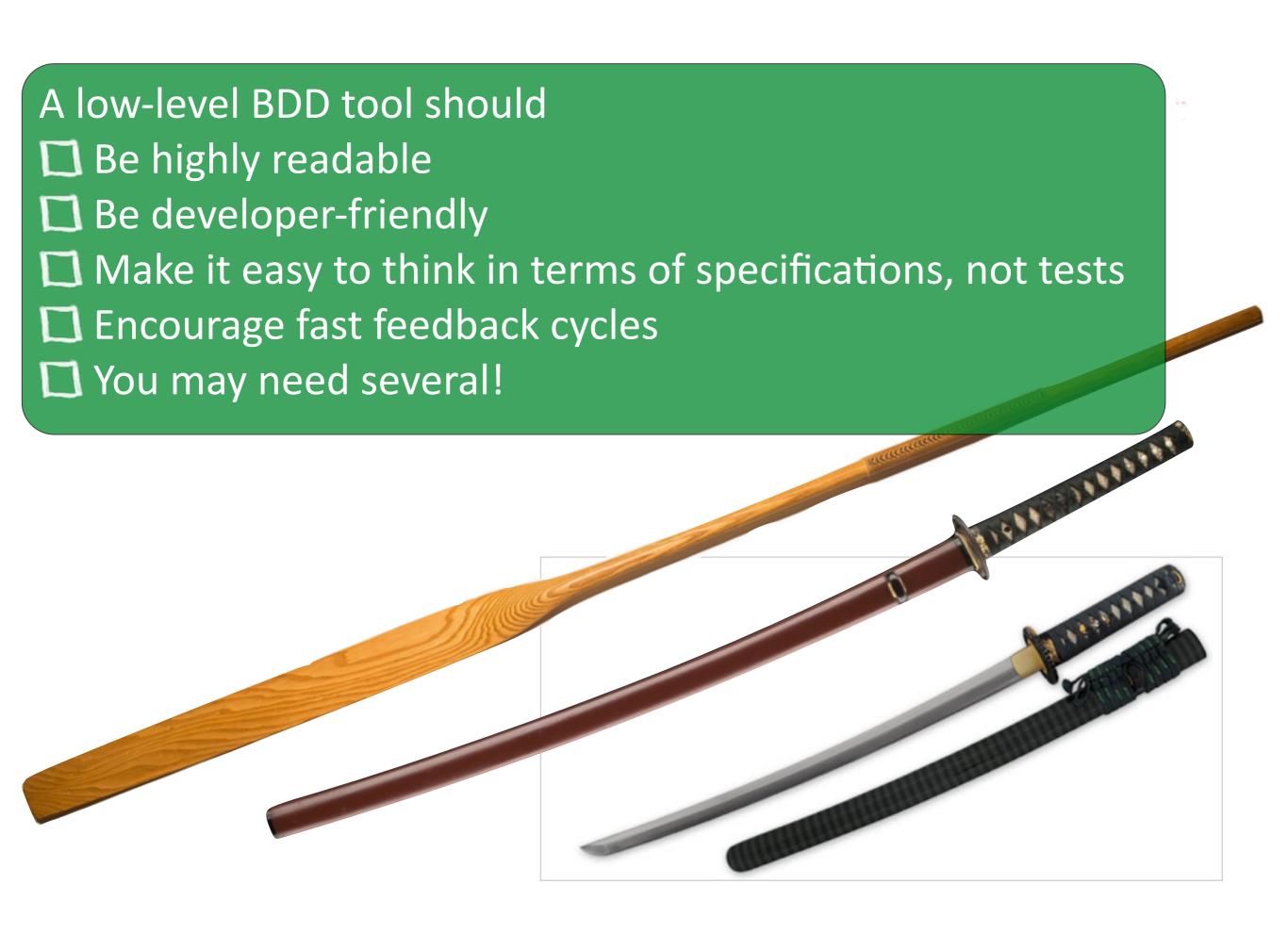
Low-level BDD library for Java 8

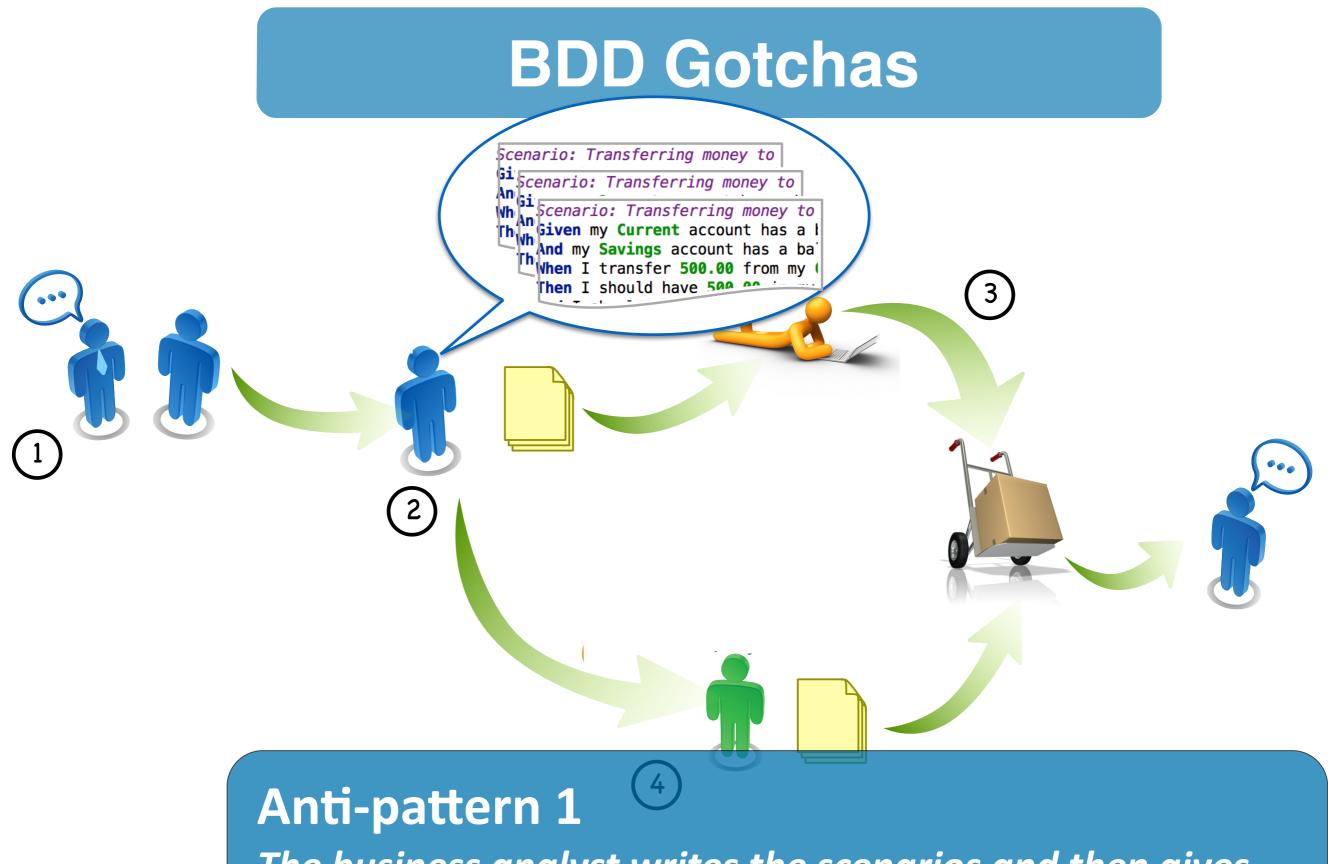
Lambda-Behave

```
Airport sydney = new Airport("Australia", "Sydney", "SYD");
Airport melbourne = new Airport("Australia", "Melbourne", "MEL");
RouteRepository routeRepository = mock(RouteRepository.class);
PointsCalculator pointsCalculator = new PointsCalculator(routeRepository);
describe("calcuating points earned for a given route", it -> {
    it.uses(6000, 12000)
            .and(5000, 10000)
            .toShow("2 points should be earned per km travelled"
                    (expect, distance, expectedPoints) -> {
                        List<Route> routes = ImmutableList.of(Route.from(sydney)
                                .to(melbourne)
                                .withDistanceOf(distance).km());
                        when(routeRepository.findByDepartureCodeAndDestinationCode("SYD", "MEL"))
                                .thenReturn(routes);
                        int calculatedPoints
                                = pointsCalculator.calculatePointsRequiredBetween("SYD", "MEL");
                        expect.that(calculatedPoints).isEqualTo(expectedPoints);
                    });
                                                              Data-driven specifications
});
```

Lambda-Behave

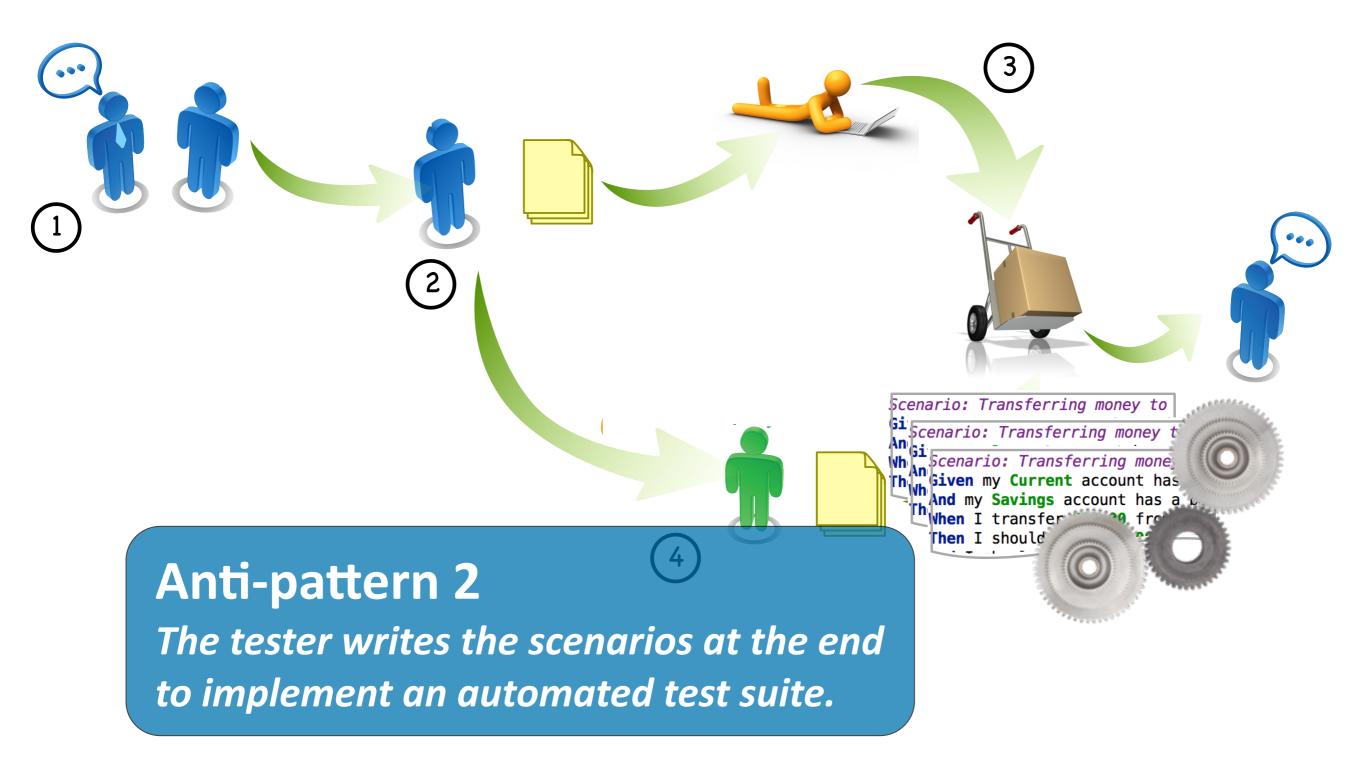
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Airport melbourne = new Airport("Australia", "Melbourne", "MEL");
RouteRepository routeRepository = mock(RouteRepository.class);
PointsCalculator pointsCalculator = new PointsCalculator(routeRepository);
    describe("calcuating points earned for a given route", it -> {
        it.requires(10)
                .example(integersUpTo(100000))
                .toShow("2 points should be earned per km travelled", (expect, distance) -> {
                    List<Route> routes = ImmutableList.of(Route.from(sydney)
                                                                .to(melbourne)
                                                                .withDistanceOf(distance).km());
                    when(routeRepository.findByDepartureCodeAndDestinationCode("SYD","MEL"))
                       .thenReturn(routes);
                    int calculatedPoints
                            pointsCalculator.calculatePointsRequiredBetween("SYD", "MEL");
                    expect.that(calculatedPoints).isEqualTo(distance * 2);
                });
    });
                                                                Generated test data
```





The business analyst writes the scenarios and then gives them to the other team members.

BDD Gotchas



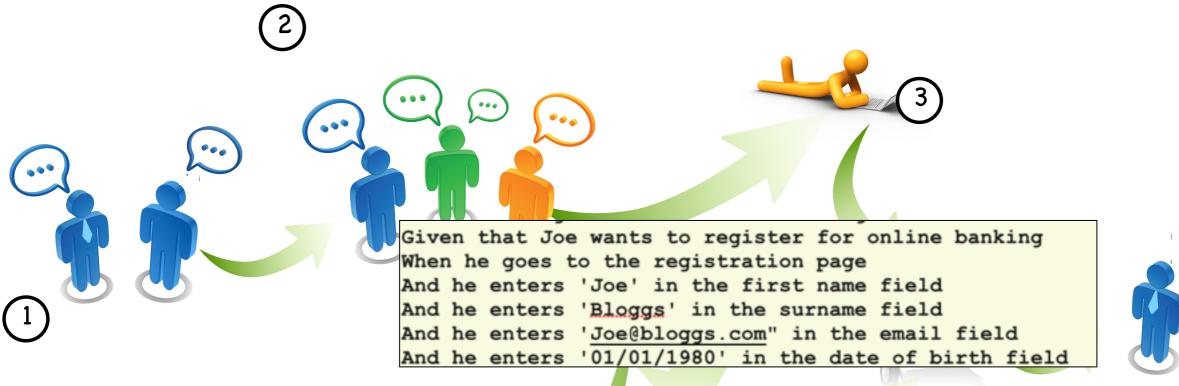
BDD Gotchas



Anti-pattern 3

The "Three Amigos" sessions don't result in usable scenarios, so the developer invents them afterwards.

BDD Gotchas

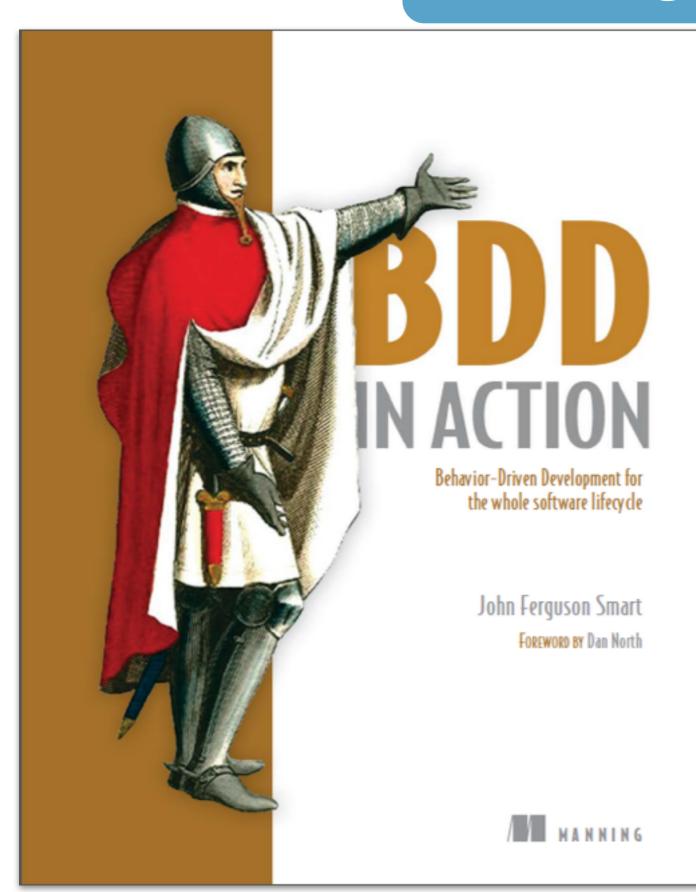




Anti-pattern 4

The scenarios are too UI-centric or detail-focused, and neglect to express the core business value.

Book signings!



Digital Guru bookstoreHilton Hotel, 2nd Level lobby
Thursday, 12:30-1:00pm

