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# **Taking TDD to the Next Level**

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## Recap

TDD isn't about testing – it's about programming!

The red-green-refactor mantra:

write test, write code, refactor (repeat)

**State verification** 

setup objects, invoke functionality, assert state

**Behaviour verification** 

replace neighbours with mocks, verify interactions

switch to IDE and show a simple state-based test (order total) and a test with mocks (cart and inventory)

## Tight coupling is bad (doh!)

Creating or referencing concrete implementations is problematic:

- Hard to re-use service
- Hard to extend

**Really bad for testability** 

- Mocks only work if we can substitute collaborators
- Without mocks, where does the test data come from?

Interface/impl separation improves testability!

## Why Dependency Injection?

If we want to substitute the collaborators, they must be provided from *outside* 

With Dependency Injection dependent components are injected from the outside

Components are not concerned with creating dependent components

**Dependency Injection is a a natural fit** 



### The return of the stub?

**Dynamic proxy mocks evolved from stub objects** 

Sometimes an interaction is complex and it is hard to use dynamic mocks

Option 1: Introduce a stub object to record and assert state later

**Option 2: Use composition and avoid issue** 

Better testability = Better design

switch to IDE, starting from the problem (order message), show implementation with mock, show implementation with stub, then refactor (extract message factory)

### **Test Doubles**

#### Mock

Verify pre-programmed expectations

#### Stub

Provide canned answers and/or recording

### **Dummy**

Passed around, never really used

#### **Fake**

Have working implementation

## **How do I test internal methods?**

#### Make them available!

 Make them public on implementation but do not add to interface

#### **Subclass with inner class in test!**

Doesn't always work (private, not substitutable, etc)

#### **Decompose!**

But don't end up writing global functions

Better testability = Better design

switch to IDE, show test of method (sendOrderMessage) as public method and with subclass in test; then compare to decomposed version (message factory)

## How do I test this?!

Sometimes a small bit of code is in the way, no matter where we move it.

Remember: We're testing to make our life easier, not to achieve 100% coverage!

Isolate that code as much as possible and don't write a unit test for it.

We have automated acceptance tests, right?

#### Be pragmatic!

switch to IDE, show how the code that reads the excel sheet makes testing hard, in service as well as in controller; then introduce the solution: a tiny untested method

## **Object Mother**

Combining DDD and TDD we can write a lot of code without thinking about infrastructure

Use an *Object Mother* to create domain objects for the tests

This is also *the* place to use reflection to set values on immutable objects

switch to IDE, show how most of the test method is object setup, which has re-use potential, move this into an object mother

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