TEST SUITE HOLY TRINITY

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LET'S START WITH A STORY...

WHY ARE WE HERE

- What went wrong
- Why testing will help
- How can we build a good test suite
 - Only talking asserting correct functionality

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WHAT WENT WRONG?

TESTING FEEDBACK LOOP WAS TOO SLOW

REFACTORING WAS TOO RISKY

WE WILL ALL MAKE POOR DECISIONS AT THE START OF A PROJECT



Time on project

WE NEED A TEST SUITE

- Prove that code works
- Prevent regression
- Allow us to refactor

IDEAL TEST SUITE

Fast

High coverage

Low maintenance

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TERMINOLOGY

TESTING CONTINUUM



Systems tests

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Unit tests

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    */
    public function isValid(string $password) : bool
```

UNIT TEST EXAMPLE – TEST CASES REQUIRED

- Valid passwords:
 - "Passw0rd"
- Invalid passwords:
 - "Passw0r" too short (everything else is good)
 - "Password" no digit
 - "passw0rd" no upper case letters
 - "PASSWORD" no lower case letters

```
LOOK HOW EASY IT IS TO TEST...
```

```
class PasswordValidatorTest extends TestCase
   public function dataProvider() : array
      return [
        "valid" => [ true, "Passw0rd" ],
"tooShort" => [ false, "Passw0r" ],
        "noDigit" => [ false, "Password" ],
        "noUpperCase" => [ false, "passw0rd" ],
        "noLowerCase" => [ false, "PASSWORD" ],
      ];
   /**
      @dataProvider dataProvider
    *
    * /
   public function testValidator(bool $expectedResult, string $inputValue)
       $validator = new PasswordValidator();
       $actualResult = $validator->isValid($inputValue);
       $this->assertEquals($expectedResult, $actualResult);
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    ];
}
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THESE TESTS ARE FAMOUS FIVE

UNIT TEST THIS KIND OF LOGIC

- Unit test sweet spot
- Quicker to test than not test
- Learn how to use data providers for your test framework

THE IDEAL TEST SUITE

- Fast
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SPEED OF EXECUTION

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AWARD WINNING SOFTWARE

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SPEED OF EXECUTION





Unit tests

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COVERAGE

TESTING CONTINUUM

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High

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MAINTENANCE COSTS

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INTEGRATION TEST



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THANK GOODNESS FOR THAT MOMENTS

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Unit tests

SO FAR NOTHING TOO CONTROVERSIAL

NOTHING IS Black and white

EVERYTHING IS COMPROMISE

WRITING A GOOD TEST SUITE IS A SKILL



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OUR IDEAL TEST SUITE WOULD BE...

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EVERY THING IS A COMPROMISE

- Not achievable
 - Our goals contradict each other
- Nothing is black and white

UNIT TESTS IN MORE DEPTH
{

NEW REQUIREMENT

```
class PasswordValidator
```

```
/**
 * Returns true if password meets following criteria:
 *
 * - 8 or more characters
 * - at least 1 digit
 * - at least 1 upper case letter
 * - at least 1 lower case letter
 * - not one of the user's previous 5 passwords
 */
public function is Valid(string function)
```

public function isValid(string \$password, User \$user) : bool

CHECK IF LAST 5 PASSWORDS













{

PREVIOUS PASSWORD CHECKER INTERFACE

```
interface PreviousPasswordChecker
```

```
/**
 * Returns true if password has been used by user
 * in previous 5 passwords
 */
public function isPreviouslyUsed($password, $user);
```

USE DEPENDENCY INJECTION

```
class PasswordValidator
```

```
private $previousPasswordChecker
```

```
public function ____construct($previousPasswordChecker) {
    $this->previousPasswordChecker = $previousPasswordChecker;
}
```

```
public function isValid(string $password) : bool
{
    ...
}
```

OPTIONS WITH DEPENDENCIES

- Real thing
- Test double
 - Stub
 - Mock
 - Fake

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- New tests
 - Valid password. Has been recently used
 - Valid password. Has NOT been recently used



TEST

NEW TEST: VALID PASSWORD, NOT RECENTLY USED

Expect: Exactly 1 call to isPreviouslyUsed with parameters "Passw0rd" and \$user. Return false.

MOCK RECENT PASSWORD CHECKER

Expect: Exactly 1 call to isPreviouslyUsed with parameters "Passw0rd" and \$user. Return false.

test isValid("Passw0rd", \$user) PASSW0RD VALIDATOR

MOCK RECENT PASSWORD CHECKER













THESE EXTRA 2 TESTS ARE THE AWKWARD DUO

EXISTING TESTS (FAMOUS FIVE)

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```
class PasswordValidator
  public function isValid(string $password, User $user) : bool
     if ($this->recentPasswordChecker->isRecentPassword(
              $password, $user)) {
       return false;
     if (... password too short ...) return false;
     if (... password has no digit ...) return false;
    ... remaining checks ...
    return true;
```

EXISTING TESTS



EXISTING TESTS – REFACTOR CODE

```
class PasswordValidator
  public function isValid(string $password, User $user) : bool
     if (... password too short ...) return false;
     if (... password has no digit ...) return false;
    ... remaining checks ...
     if ($this->recentPasswordChecker->isRecentPassword(
              $password, $user)) {
       return false;
```

```
return true;
```

EXISTING TESTS: AFTER REFACTOR



WE'VE REFACTORED CODE AND THE TESTS HAVE BROKEN. NOT GOOD!

USE A STUB isValid("Passw0rd", \$user) PASSWORD VALIDATOR **TEST** true



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HAND CODE STUB?

StubPasswordChecker implements PreviousPasswordChecker
{

public function isPreviouslyUsed(
 string \$password, User \$user) : bool {

return false;

USE STUBS UNLESS YOU REALLY NEED MOCKS

- Limit the coupling between tests and the code
- Unnecessary coupling increases maintenance cost
 - tests harder to write in the first place
 - reduces ability to refactor
TEST DOUBLE IS AN APPROXIMATION



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interface PreviousPasswordChecker
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 string $password,
 User $user
 ):bool
```

OTHER REASONS FOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TEST DOUBLE

- Specification might change
- Specification might be misunderstood
- Functionality might not be implemented

UNIT TEST LEVEL

- Good architecture makes testing easier
- Decouple tests from code as much as possible
 - E.g. use stubs unless you really need a mock

BIGGER TESTS



ARCHITECTURE





INTERFACE TO EXTERNAL SERVICE



CODE THAT NEEDS TO SEND AN EMAIL

EMAIL GATEWAY INTERFACE

interface EmailGatewayInterface

public function sendEmail(EmailMessage \$message);

EMAIL MESSAGE OBJECT

- To
- From
- CC
- Subject
- Template
- Data











ARCHITECTURE









FAKE EMAIL GATEWAY

class FakeEmailGateway implements EmailGatewayInterface
{

```
private $emailMessages = [];
```

```
public function sendEmail(EmailMessage $message) {
    $this->emailMessages[] = $message;
}
```

```
public function findBy($to, $template): array {
    ... return EmailMessage meeting criteria ...
```

REGISTER USER TEST 1

class RegisterUserTest extends TestCase
{

public function testRegistration() {

\$userService = \$this->container->getUserService();

\$this->assertTrue(\$success);

...

REGISTER USER TEST 2

```
$emailGateway = $this->container->getEmailGateway();
```

```
$this->assertCount(1, $emailMessages);
```

```
$data = $emailMessage->getData();
$confirmationToken = $data[`confirmationToken'];
```

\$success = \$userService->completeRegistration(
 \$confirmationToken);

```
$this->assertTrue($success);
```

STOP AND ADMIRE





ARCHITECTURE IS VERY IMPORTANT

- High correlation between easy to test and good architecture.
- A code base isn't difficult to test, it's poorly architected.

RETURNING TO OUR PASSWORD VALIDATOR: 1

class PasswordValidatorTest extends TestCase
{

public function testUpdatePassword() {

... create \$user with password 'Passw1rd' ...

\$userService = \$this->container->getUserService();

- \$userService->updatePassword(\$user, 'Passw2rd');
- \$userService->updatePassword(\$user, 'Passw3rd');
- \$userService->updatePassword(\$user, 'Passw4rd');

. . .

RETURNING TO OUR PASSWORD VALIDATOR: 2

```
$success = $userService->updatePassword(
        $user, 'Passw1rd');
$this->assertFalse($success);
```

```
$success = $userService->updatePassword(
        $user, 'Passw5rd');
$this->assertTrue($success);
```

```
$success = $userService->updatePassword(
        $user, 'Passw1rd');
$this->assertTrue($success);
```

THE BIG INTEGRATION TEST

CONSTRUCTING OUR USER OBJECT

... create \$user with password 'Passw1rd' ...

HOW DO WE BUILD THE TEST USER OBJECT?

- Hand build what is required
- Seed the database
- Object mother
- Test Builder
HAND BUILDING

\$emailGateway = \$this->container->getEmailGateway();

\$data = \$emailMessage->getData(); \$confirmationToken = \$data[`confirmationToken'];

\$userService->completeRegistration(
 \$confirmationToken);

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SEEDING A DATABASE

users:

- name: Dave email: dave@lampbristol.com password: Passw1rd
- name: Sarah email: sarah@example.com password: Passw5rd

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- name: Dave email: dave@lampbristol.com password: Pa_swird
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OBJECT MOTHER

\$userObjectMother = \$this->getUserObjectMother();

\$user = \$userObjectMother->getDave();

// User will have default values for name, email, etc

TEST BUILDER: 1

\$userBuilder = \$this->getUserBuilder(); \$user = \$userBuilder->build();

// User will have default values for name, email, etc

USING A TEST BUILDER (2)

```
$userBuilder = $this->getUserBuilder();
$user = $userBuilder
    ->name("David")
    ->password("Passw4rd")
    ->previousPasswords([
         "Passw1rd",
         "Passw2rd",
         "Passw3rd",
        ])
        ->build();
```

OBJECT MOTHER AND TEST BUILDER BENEFITS

- Single place where test business object built
 - Easy to find
 - Easy to update
- Defer to other Object Mothers / Test Builders

USE OBJECT MOTHER AND TEST BUILDER PATTERNS

- Reduce coupling between test and production code
- Help make your tests more resilient to change
 - Lowers maintenance cost
 - Increases our coverage

FAMOUS 5 VS AWKWARD DUO VS THE BIG INTEGRATION TEST?

ASSESS VALUE OF TESTS. REMOVE ONES THAT ARE DUPLICATED (AND OFFER NO BENEFIT)

CAN WE AUTOMATE ANYTHING ELSE?



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php bin/console test:emailgateway ---to dave@lampbristol.com

```
Sending email:
To [dave@lampbristol.com]
From [test@lampbristol.com]
CC [dave+1@lampbristol.com]
Subject [Test email 2016-02-08 19:37]
Body [Hi,
This is a test email.
Sent at 2016-02-08 19:37.
From your tester]
```

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TO MAKE A GOOD TEST SUITE

- Requires skill
- Good code architecture
- Reduce coupling between tests and code under test:
 - Use mocks only when needed
 - Use patterns like Object Mother and Test Builder

AUESTIONS

