Behavioral Driven Development with Behat



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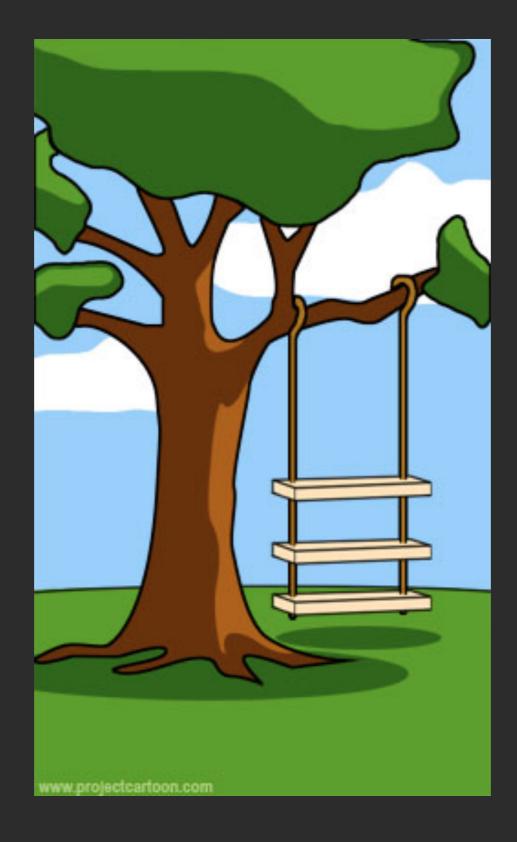
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Intro

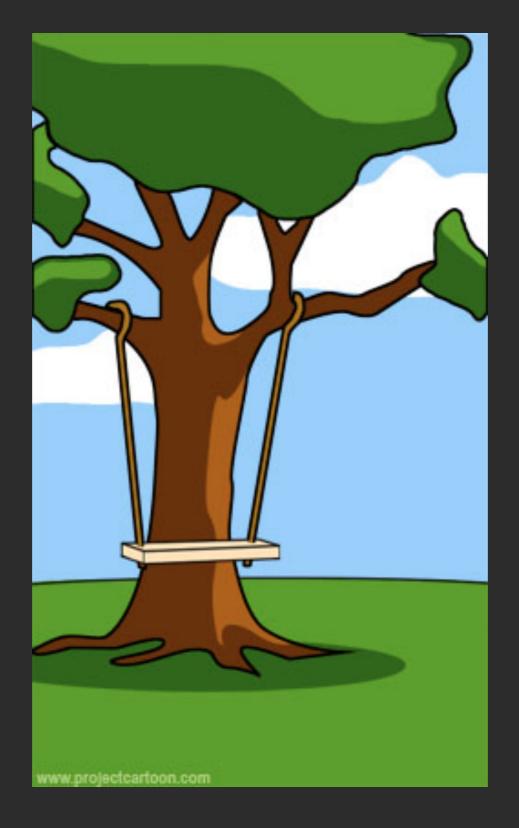
Plan, Work, Miscommunicate, Panic, Put out Fires, Repeat! (aka Project Work)

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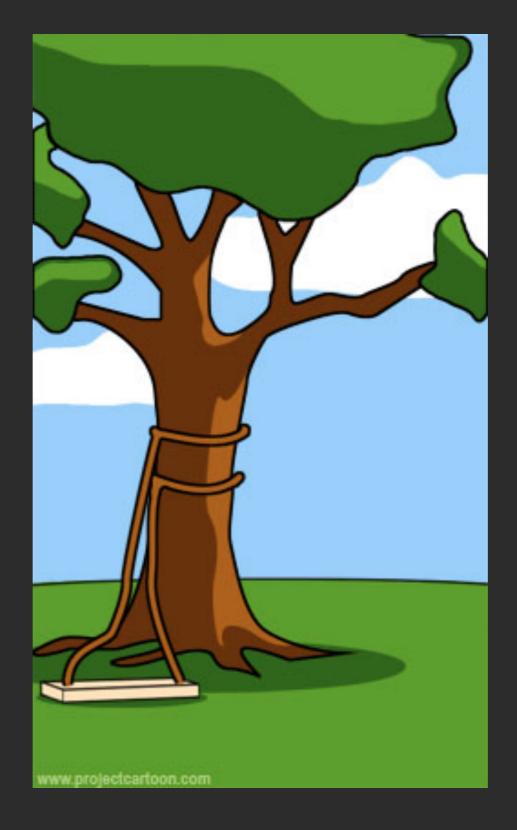
The Typical Project



How the customer explained it



How the project leader understood it

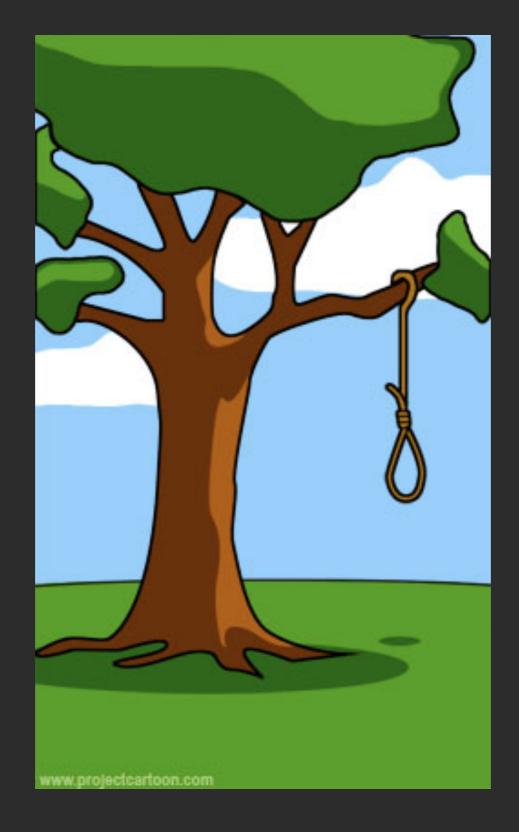


How the programmer wrote it



What the customer really needed

... and my personal favorite



What the beta testers received

Computer Science?

Where it breaks down...



Different roles, different languages, miscommunication





Your code and business values may not align



I've just dreamt up this cool new feature that we should implement!

Why? Because it's cool!



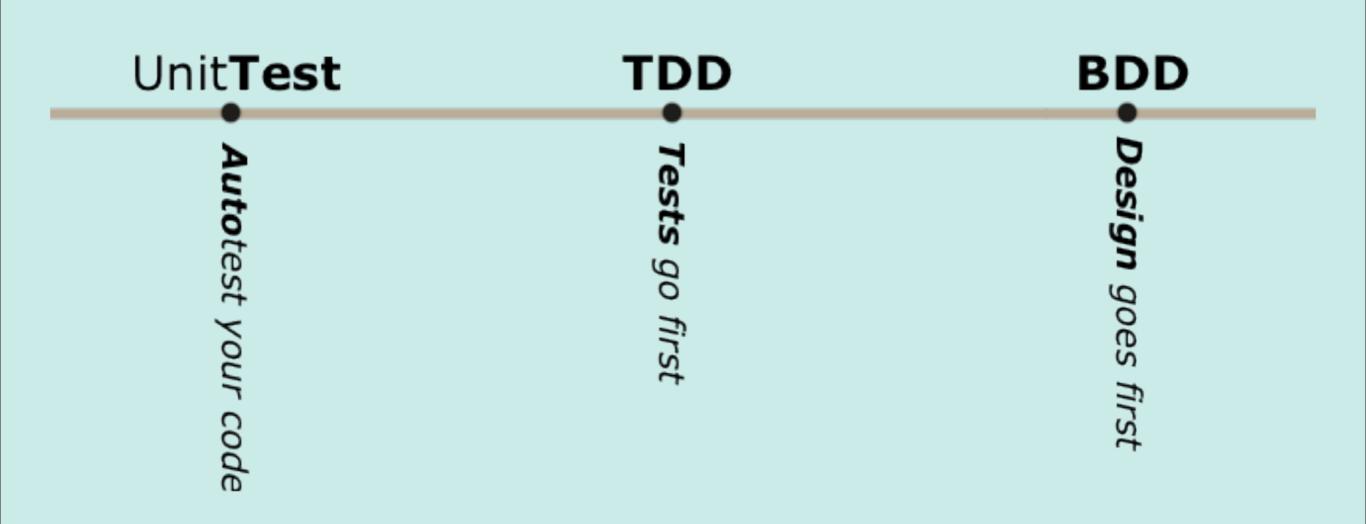
Over-planning, under-planning, planning...?



Act 1

Getting down with BDD

Evolution of Test-Driven Development



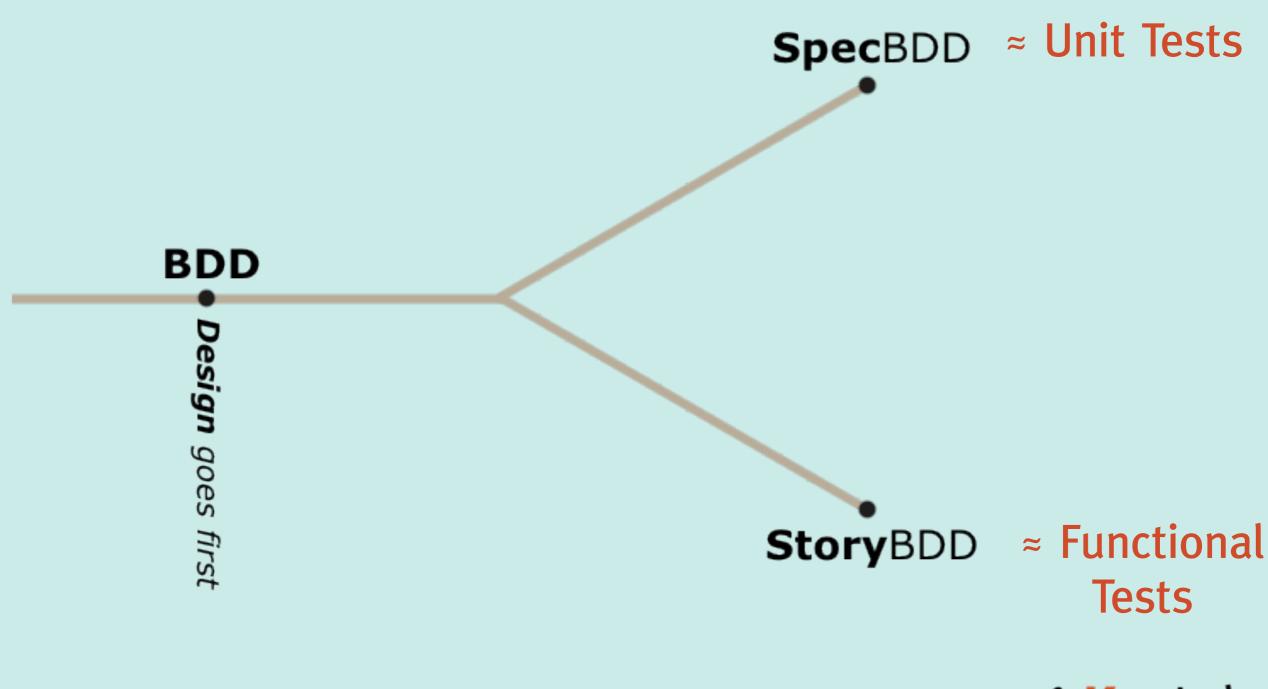




"Behaviour" is a more useful word, than "test"

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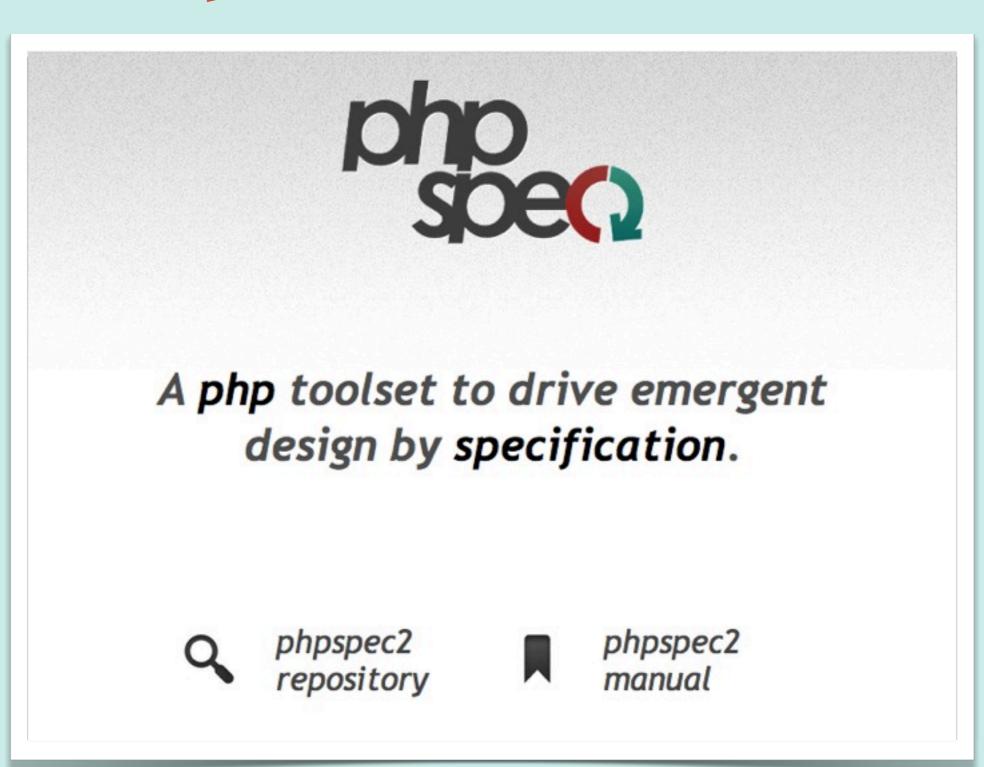
Evolution of Test-Driven Development



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Specification BDD



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http://www.phpspec.net



Scenario-oriented BDD (Story BDD)







Let's create a single vocabulary and process











... for planning, implementing, and testing a feature











... with a focus on the *behavior* of the feature





Solution

1. Define business value for the features

2. Prioritize features by their business value

3. Describe them with readable scenarios

4. And only then - implement them



Act 2

Gherkin

A project consists of many features

These need to be planned, written and shared

Gherkin



a structured language to describe a feature

```
Feature: {custom_title}
  In order to {A}
  As a {B}
  I need to {C}
```

- {A} the benefit or value of the feature
- {B} the role (or person) who will benefit
- {C} short feature description

The person "writing" this feature - the "I"

Solution

1. Define business value for the features

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read news in French

Feature: I18n

In order to read news in french

As a french user

I need to be able to switch locale

read news in French

The **business** value

Feature: I18n

In order to read news in french

As a french user

I need to be able to switch locale

read news in French The person who benefits

The "author" of this feature Feature: 118n

In order to read news in french

As a french user

I need to be able to switch locale

read news in French

Description of the feature, the action the person will take

Feature: I18n

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prioritize...

1) Feature: News admin panel

2) Feature: I18n

3) Feature: News list API

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Feature: News admin panel

In order to maintain a list of news
As a site administrator
I need to be able to edit news

Scenario: Add new article
 Given I am on the "/admin/news" page
 When I click "New Article"
 And I fill in "Title" with "Learned BDD"
 And I press "Save"
 Then I should see "A new article was added"

```
Scenario: Add new article
  Given I am on the "/admin/news" page
  When I click "New Article"
  And I fill in "Title" with "Learned BDD"
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "A new article was added"
```

Given

Defines the initial state of the system for the scenario

```
Scenario: Add new article
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  When I click "New Article"
  And I fill in "Title" with "Learned BDD"
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "A new article was added"
```

When

Describes the action taken by the person/role

```
Scenario: Add new article
  Given I am on the "/admin/news" page
  When I click "New Article"
  And I fill in "Title" with "Learned BDD"
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "A new article was added"
```

Then

Describes the observable system state after the action has been performed

```
Scenario: Add new article
  Given I am on the "/admin/news" page
  When I click "New Article"
  And I fill in "Title" with "Learned BDD"
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "A new article was added"
```

And/But

Can be added to create multiple Given/When/Then lines

Example #2

Scenario: List available articles
Given there are 5 news articles
And I am on the "/admin" page
When I click "News Administration"
Then I should see 5 news articles

Gherkin gives us a consistent language for describing features and their scenarios

... now let's turn them into tests!

Act 3

Those tests ain't gonna write themselves,

Behatch

t-shirt: http://bit.ly/behatch-t

Having a standard way of describing features is cool...

... executing those sentences as functional tests is just awesome

What is Behat?

Behat does one simple thing:

It Maps Each step** to a PHP Callback

Behat "executes" your scenarios, reading each step and calling the function associated with it

** each line in a scenario is called a "step"





Installing Behat

Behat is just a library that can be installed easily in any project via Composer

New to Composer? Free screencast cures it! KnpUniversity.com/screencast/composer

In your project directory...

1) Download Composer

```
$> curl -s http://getcomposer.org/installer | php
```

2) Create (or update) composer.json for Behat

http://bit.ly/behat-composer

```
"require": {
    "behat/behat": "2.4.*@stable"
"minimum-stability": "dev",
"config": {
    "bin-dir": "bin/"
```

http://bit.ly/behat-composer

In your project directory...

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$> curl -s http://getcomposer.org/installer | php
```

2) Create (or update) composer.json for Behat

http://bit.ly/behat-composer

3) Download Behat libraries

\$> php composer.phar install

\o/ Woo!

The most important product of the installation is an executable bin/behat file

```
Usage:
behat [--init] [-f|--format="..."] [--out="..."] [--lang="..."] [--[no-]ansi] [-
no-]snippets-paths] [--[no-]multiline] [--[no-]expand] [--story-syntax] [-d|--def
cache="..."] [--strict] [--dry-run] [--rerun="..."] [--append-snippets] [features
Arguments:
features
                        Feature(s) to run. Could be:
                        a dir (features/)
                        a feature (*.feature)
                        - a scenario at specific line (*.feature:10).
                        - all scenarios at or after a specific line (*.feature:10
                        - all scenarios at a line within a specific range (*.feat
Options:
--init
                        Create features directory structure.
                        How to format features. pretty is default.
 --format (-f)
                        Default formatters are:
                        - pretty: Prints the feature as is.
                        - progress: Prints one character per step.
                        - html: Generates a nice looking HTML report.
                        - junit: Generates a report similar to Ant+JUnit.
                        - failed: Prints list of failed scenarios.
                        - snippets: Prints only snippets for undefined steps.
                        Can use multiple formats at once (splitted with ",")
                        Write formatter output to a file/directory
 --out
```

weaverryan@~/Sites/behat\$ php bin/behat --help

Behat in a project

To use Behat in a project you need:

- 1) Actual *.feature files to be executed
- 2) A FeatureContext.php file that holds the PHP callbacks for each step
- 3) (optional) A behat.yml configuration file





\$> php bin/behat --init

```
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ php bin/behat --init
+d features - place your *.feature files here
+d features/bootstrap - place bootstrap scripts and static files here
+f features/bootstrap/FeatureContext.php - place your feature related code here
```

Pretend you're testing the "ls" program

1) Describe your Feature

Feature: 1s

In order to see the directory structure

As a UNIX user

I need to be able to list the current directory's contents

features/ls.feature

2) Your First Scenario

If you have two files in a directory, and you're running the command - you should see them listed."

2) Write Your First Scenario

** Write in the natural voice of "a UNIX user"

```
Scenario: List 2 files in a directory
```

Given I have a file named "foo"

And I have a file named "bar"

When I run "ls"

Then I should see "foo" in the output

And I should see "bar" in the output

features/ls.feature

3) Run Behat

\$> php bin/behat

weaverryan@~/Sites/behat\$ php bin/behat
Feature: ls
 In order to see the directory structure
 As a UNIX user
 I need to be able to list the current directory's contents

Scenario: List 2 files in a directory
Given I have a file named "foo"
And I have a file named "bar"
When I run "ls"
Then I should see "foo" in the output
And I should see "bar" in the output

1 scenario (1 undefined)
5 steps (5 undefined)
0m0.018s

Behat tries
to find a
method in
FeatureContext
for each step

You can implement step definitions for undefined steps with these snippets:

```
* @Given /^I have a file named "([^"]*)"$/
public function iHaveAFileNamed($arg1)
    throw new PendingException();
/**
 * @When /^I run "([^"]*)"$/
 */
public function iRun($arg1)
    throw new PendingException();
/**
 * @Then /^I should see "([^"]*)" in the output$/
public function iShouldSeeInTheOutput($arg1)
    throw new PendingException();
```

Matching is done via regex

For each step that doesn't have a matching method, Behat prints code to copy into FeatureContext

4) Copy in the new Definitions

```
class FeatureContext extends BehatContext
{
   /** @Given /^I have a file named "([^"]*)'$/ */
   public function iHaveAFileNamed($arg1)
                                        Quoted text
       throw new PendingException();
                                         maps to a
                                          method
   /** @When /^I run "([^"]*)"$/ */
                                         argument
   public function iRun($arg1)
       throw new PendingException();
```

5) Make the definitions do what they need to

```
@Given /^I have a file named "([^"]*)"$/
public function iHaveAFileNamed($file) {
    touch($file);
  @Given /^I have a directory named "([^"]*)"$/
public function iHaveADirectoryNamed($dir) {
    mkdir($dir);
```

```
/**
  @When /^I run "([^"]*)"$/
 */
public function iRun($command) {
    exec($command, $output);
    $this->output = trim(implode("\n", $output));
/**
  @Then /^I should see "([^"]*)" in the output$/
*/
public function iShouldSeeInTheOutput($string) {
    assertContains(
        $string,
        explode("\n", $this->output)
    );
```

weaverryan@~/Sites/behat\$ php bin/behat

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0m0.024s

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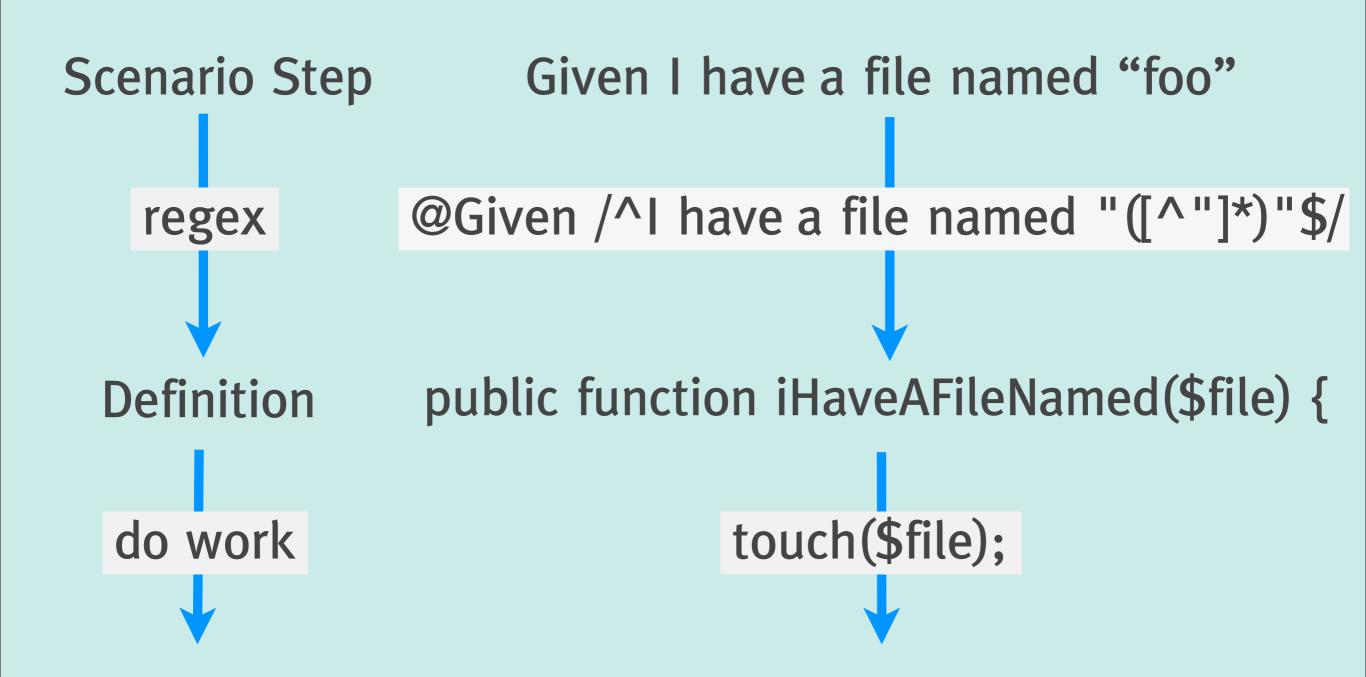
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See the full FeatureContext class:

http://bit.ly/behat-ls-feature

What Behat *does*



Pass/Fail: Each step is a "test", which passes *unless* an exception is thrown

Creating files and directories in FeatureContext is nice...

but wouldn't it be really cool to command a browser, fill out forms and check the output?

Act 4

Mink

Mink!

 A standalone library to use PHP to command a "browser"

 One easy API that can be used to command Selenium, Goutte, ZombieJS, etc

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http://mink.behat.org/



A sample of Mink

```
use Behat\Mink\Driver\GoutteDriver;
use Behat\Mink\Session;

// change *only* this line to run
// in Selenium, etc
$driver = new GoutteDriver();
$session = new Session($driver);
```

```
// visit a page
$session->visit('http://behat.org');
echo 'Status: '.$session->getStatusCode();
echo 'URL : '.$session->getCurrentUrl();
```

```
$page = $session->getPage();
// drill down into the page
$ele = $page->find('css', 'li:nth-child(4) a');
echo 'Link text is: '.\$ele->getText();
echo 'href is: '.$ele->getAttribute('href');
// click the link
// (you can also fill out forms)
$ele->click();
```

Mink inside FeatureContext



Dangerous Combo for Functional Testing

Integration



An "Extension" is like a Behat plugin

 The MinkExtension makes using Mink inside Behat a matter of configuration

http://mink.behat.org/

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Install Mink & MinkExtension

- Update composer.json to include
 - * Mink
 - * MinkExtension
 - * Goutte and Selenium2 Drivers for Mink http://bit.ly/behat-mink-composer
- Update the vendor libraries
 - \$> php composer.phar update



```
"require": {
    "behat/mink": "1.4@stable",
    "behat/mink-goutte-driver": "*"
    "behat/mink-selenium2-driver": "*"
    "behat/behat": "2.4@stable",
    "behat/mink-extension":
"minimum-stability": "dev",
"config": {
    "bin-dir": "bin/"
```

http://bit.ly/behat-mink-composer

Goal: To easily use Mink inside FeatureContext

Bootstrap MinkExtension

```
# behat.yml
default:
    extensions:
    Behat\MinkExtension\Extension:
        goutte: ~
        selenium2: ~
        # The base URL to app you're testing base_url: http://en.wikipedia.org/
```

behat.yml is the Behat configuration file and can contain much more than you see here

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http://bit.ly/behat-yml



Extend MinkContext

use Behat\MinkExtension\Context\MinkContext;

class FeatureContext extends MinkContext

Extending MinkContext gives us 2 things...



1) Access to a Mink Session

```
class FeatureContext extends MinkContext
    public function doSomething()
        $session = $this->getSession();
        $session->visit('http://behat.org');
```

Our custom definitions can now command a browser!

2) We inherit a pile of great definitions

Before extending MinkContext:

```
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ php bin/behat -dl
Given /^I have a file named "([^"]*)"$/
Given /^I have a directory named "([^"]*)"$/
When /^I run "([^"]*)"$/
Then /^I should see "([^"]*)" in the output$/
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$
```

the -dl option prints all current definitions

After extending MinkContext:

```
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ php bin/behat -dl
Given /^I have a file named "([^"]*)"$/
Given /^I have a directory named "([^"]*)"$/
When /^I run "([^"]*)"$/
Then /^I should see "([^"]*)" in the output$/
Given /^(?:II )am on homepage$/
When /^(?:II )go to homepage$/
Given /^(?:II )am on "(?P<page>[^"]+)"$/
When /^(?:II )go to "(?P<page>[^"]+)"$/
 When /^(?:II )reload the page$/
 When /^(?:II )move backward one page$/
 When /^(7:11 )move forward one page$/
 When /^(7:11 )press "(?P<buttor>(7:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(7:II )follow "(?P<link>(7:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(7:II )fill in "(?P<field>(7:[^"]\\")*)" with "(?P<value>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(7:11 )fill in "(?P<value>(7:[^"]\\")*)" for "(?P<field>(7:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(?:II )fill in the following:$/
 When /^(?:II )select "(?P<option>(?:[^"]!\\")*)" from "(?P<select>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 When /^(?:II )additionally select "(?P<option>(?:[^"]!\\")*)" from "(?P<select>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 When /^(?:II )check "(?P<option>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(?:II )uncheck "(?P<option>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 When /^(?:II )attach the file "(?P
                                          " to "(?P<field>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 Then /^(?:II )should be on "(?P<page>[^"]+)"$/
 Then /^the (?i)url(?-i) should match (?P<pattern>"([^"]\\")*")$/
 Then /^the response status code should be (?P<code>\d+)$/
 Then /^the response status code should not be (?P<code>\d+)$/
 Then /^(?:II )should see "(?P<text>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
 Then /^(7:II )should not see "(?P<text>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 Then /^(7:II )should see text matching (?P<pattern>"(7:[^"]\\")*")$/
 Then /^(7:II )should not see text matching (?P<pattern>"(7:[^"]\\")*")$/
 Then /^the response should contain "(?P<text>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 Then /^the response should not contain "(?P<text>(?:[^"]I\\")*)"$/
 Then /^(?:II )should see "(?P<text>(?:[^"]!\\")*)" in the "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element$/
Then /^(?:II )should not see "(?P<text>(?:[^"]\\")*)" in the "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element$/
 Then /^the "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element should contain "(?P<value>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 Then /^the "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element should not contain "(?P<value>(?:[^"]!\\")*)"$/
 Then /^(?:II )should see an? "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element$/
 Then /^(?:II )should not see an? "(?P<element>[^"]*)" element$/
 Then /^the "(?P<field>(?:[^"]\\")*)" field should contain "(?P<value>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
Then /^the "(?P<field>(?:[^"]\\")*)" field should not contain "(?P<value>(?:[^"]\\")*)"$/
Then /^the "(?P<checkbox>(?:[^"]\\")*)" checkbox should be checked$/
Then /^the "(?P<checkbox>(?:[^"] I\\")*)" checkbox should not be checked$/
 Then /^(?:II )should see (?P<num>\d+) "(?P<element>[^"]*)" elements?$/
Then /^print last response$/
Then /^show last response$/
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ |
```

In other words: We can write some tests for our app without writing any PHP code

Suppose we're testing Wikipedia.org

```
# features/wikipedia.feature
Feature: Search
  In order to see a word definition
  As a website user
  I need to be able to search for a word
  Scenario: Searching for a page that does exist
    Given I am on "/wiki/Main_Page"
    When I fill in "search" with "Behavior Driven Development"
    And I press "searchButton"
    Then I should see "agile software development"
```

These 4 definitions all come packaged with MinkContext

Celebration!

```
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ php bin/behat features/wikipedia.feature
Feature: Search
  In order to see a word definition
  As a website user
  I need to be able to search for a word
  Scenario: Searching for a page that does exist
    Given I am on "/wiki/Main_Page"
    When I fill in "search" with "Behavior Driven Development"
    And I press "searchButton"
    Then I should see "agile software development"
1 scenario (1 passed)
4 steps (4 passed)
0m1.075s
weaverryan@~/Sites/behat$ 📗
```

Act 5

Behat in your application

Getting "under the hood"

- So far, we can do true "black-box" testing - using Mink to test any website (e.g. wikipedia)
- But if we're testing our app, we don't have access to it, we can't:
 - a) access/clear/prepare the database
 - b) use any code in our application





When testing: you should guarantee the starting condition of your environment

How can we add nodes, add users, and configure permissions from inside Behat?

Behat in your app

- 1) Install Behat, Mink, MinkExtension

 http://bit.ly/behat-mink-composer
- 2) ??? Gain access to Drupal in Behat ???
- 3) Create nodes, users, etc so that you're testing against a predictable dataset





Introducing...

... a library made by the Drupal community ...

... which I did not help with ...

DrupalExtension!

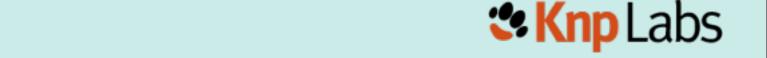


A plugin (extension) for Behat and Drupal

http://bit.ly/drupal-extension

DrupalExtension

- 1) Even more built-in sentences/definitions
- 2) Build nodes, add users, manage permissions inside Behat
- 3) Operating within Regions
- 4) Hooks to load more sentences/definitions from contrib modules



```
# features/node_manage.feature
Background:
 Given I am logged in as a user with the "administrator" role
Scenario: Edit Node
 Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"
  When I click "Edit" in the "Body" region
  And I fill in the following:
      Body | Ipsumm |
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region
```

Creates a user and adds a role to it

Background:

Given I am logged in as a user with the "administrator" role

```
Scenario: Edit Node

Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"

When I click "Edit" in the "Body" region

And I fill in the following:

| Body | Ipsumm |

And I press "Save"

Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region
```

Background:

Given I am logged i

Creates a "page" node ninistrator role in the database

```
Scenario: Edit Noue
```

"Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"

When I click "Edit" in the "Body" region

And I fill in the following:

Body | Ipsumm

And I press "Save"

Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region

Background:

Given I am logged in as a user with the "administrator" role

Scenario: Edit Node

Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"

Body" region

When I clic And I fill

Body |

And I press save

Looks for the text in a CSS region you've defined as "Body"

Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region

And it's alive!

```
~/Sites/drupal$ ./bin/behat
Feature: Node Management
  Background:
    Given I am logged in as a user with the "administrator" role
  Scenario: Edit Node
    Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"
    When I click "Edit" in the "Content" region
    And I fill in the following:
      | Body | Ipsummm |
    And I press "Save"
    Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Content" region
1 scenario (1 passed)
6 steps (6 passed)
0m1.57s
~/Sites/drupal$
```

The 3 Modes of the DrupalExtension

1) blackbox: test an external server, no access to the database 2) drupal: Bootstraps Drupal's code and calls functions 3) drush: Interacts with Drupal via drush

and all of this works right now, in Drupal 7... 6... and 8!

Contrib Modules

 Every module brings its own screens and user-flows

- What if every module brought its own Behat definitions?
 - * Given I have a view....
 - * Given I upload an image and crop it...



The DrupalExtension has a hook to automatically load these

... We just need to add these definitions into contrib:)

Want the test to run in Selenium?

Add @javascript

```
# ...
@javascript
Scenario: Edit Node
 Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"
  When I click "Edit" in the "Body" region
  And I fill in the following:
    | Body | Ipsumm |
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region
```

Add @javascript

```
Yep, that's all you do!
@javascript
Scenario: Edit Node
 Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"
  When I click "Edit" in the "Body" region
  And I fill in the following:
      Body | Ipsumm |
  And I press "Save"
  Then I should see "Ipsumm" in the "Body" region
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Download and start Selenium

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$> wget http://selenium.googlecode.com/files/
selenium-server-standalone-2.31.0.jar
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\$> java -jar selenium-server-standalone-2.31.0.jar

Re-run the tests

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~/Sites/drupal$ ./bin/behat
Feature: Node Management
  Background:
    Given I am logged in as a user with the "administrator" role
  @javascript
  Scenario: Edit Node
    Given I am viewing a "page" node with the title "Cool beans!"
    When I click "Edit" in the "Content" region
1 scenario (1 passed)
3 steps (3 passed)
0m5.036s
```

Yes, add only 1 line of code to run a test in Selenium

Epilogue

You're Turn!

1) Install DrupalExtension

http://bit.ly/drupal-extension

This will also install Behat, Mink and MinkContext in your project

2) Write features for your app!

... and learn more about what you can do with Mink: http://mink.behat.org/

3) high-five your teammates

... and do your homework

- I) Behat & Mink Screencast:
 KnpUniversity.com/screencast/behat
 Coupon: HIPSTER
- 2) Talk with OpenSourcery, read their blogs, give them jumping high-fives
- 3) Chat with Melissa Anderson (eliza411) she'll make you think of the testing process holistically: from geek to biz person

Thanks...



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