Test Driven Development in the iOS World Part I

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What Is It?



Using automated software tests to drive the design and development of an application iteratively by writing your tests BEFORE you write your code

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Then to hit our target...



We MUST test our work

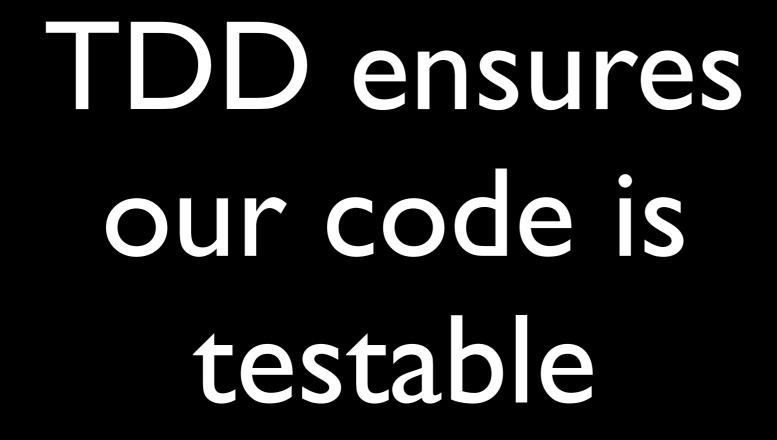


Automated testing is the best choice for many kinds of tests



Code must be designed with automated testing in mind







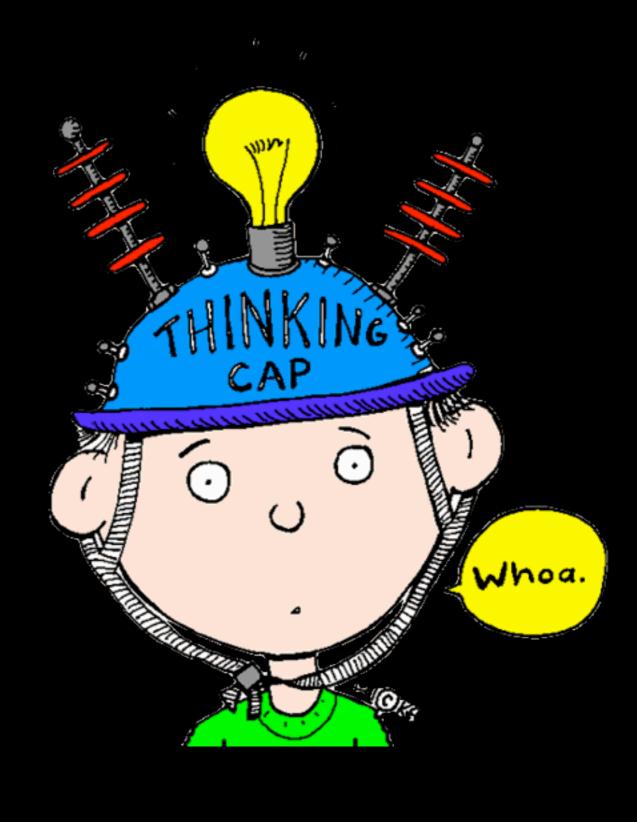
TDD helps us to only write code we need

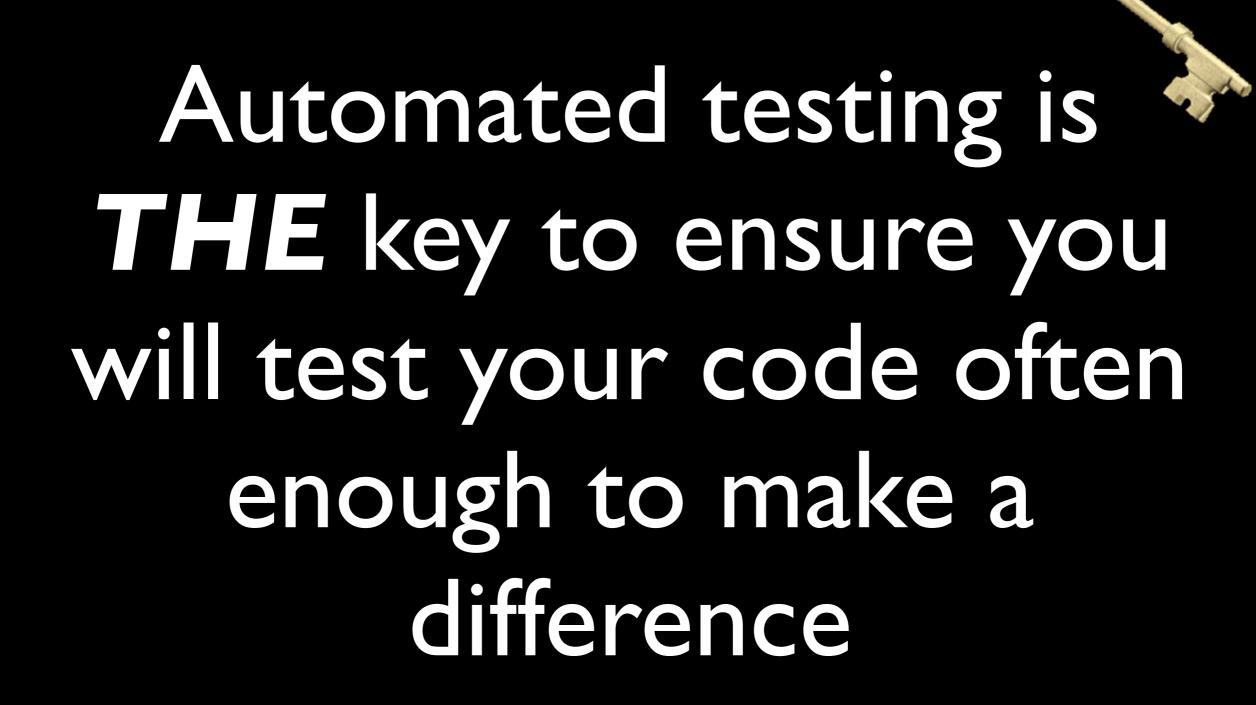


The hardest part is **not**writing automated tests

The hardest part is **not** writing your tests first

The hardest part is deciding what to test and how to test it







TDD is **THE** key to ensuring your code is testable



The Bottom Line

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It greatly enhances my ability to do professional level work

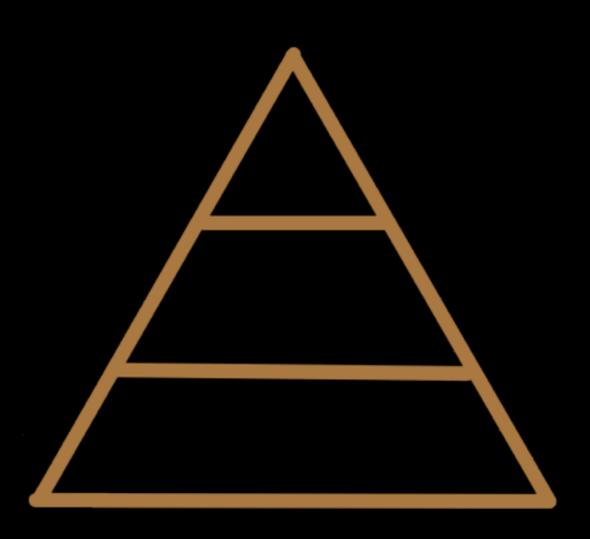
So... How?

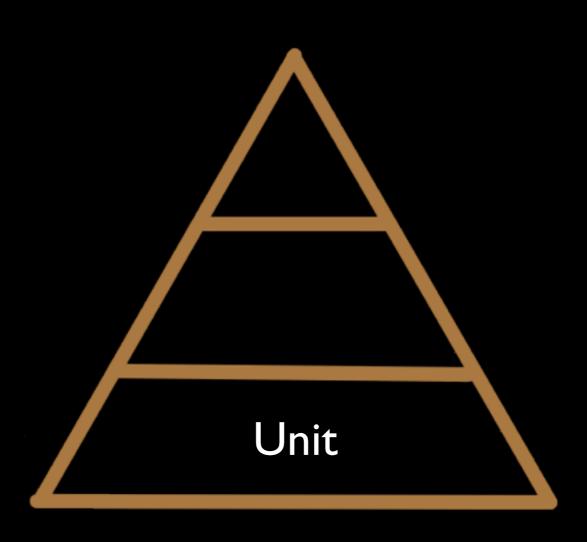


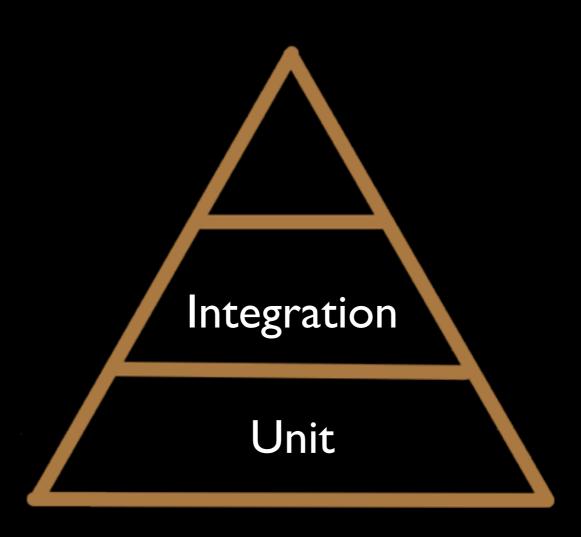
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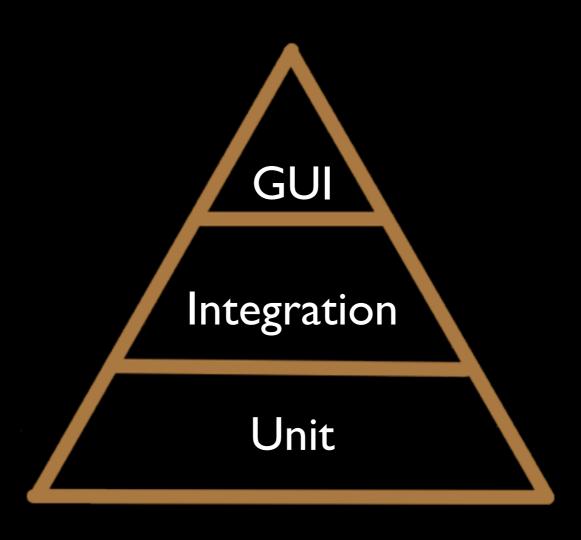
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- External dependencies

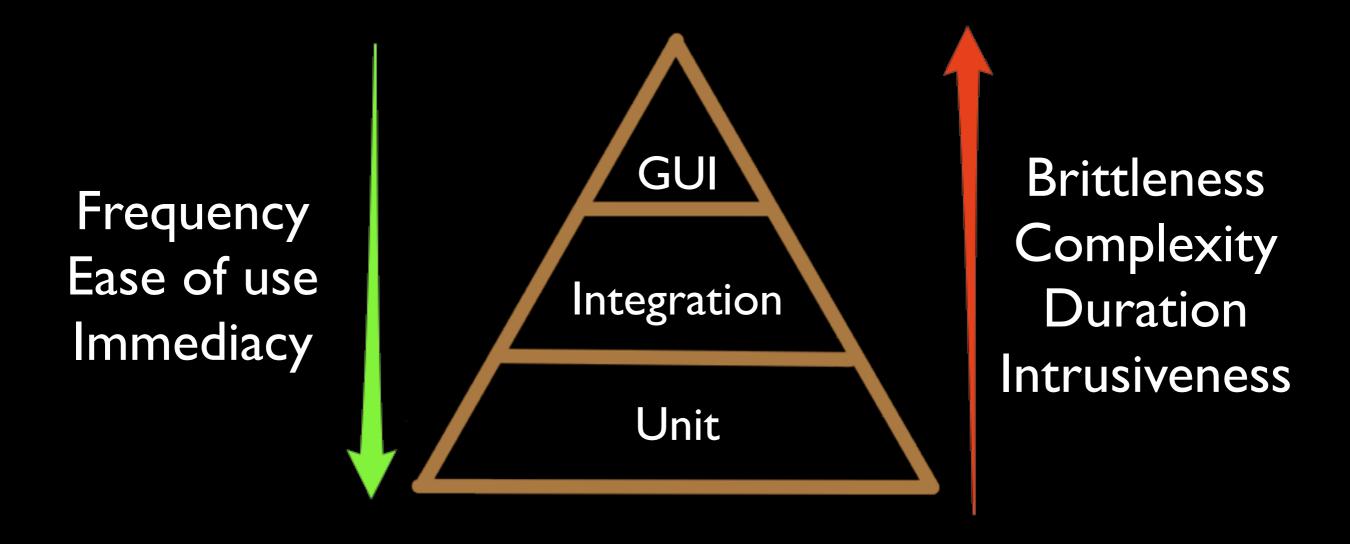








Frequency
Ease of use Integration
Unit







Our Tools





Our Tools



GHUnit



Our Tools



GHUnit



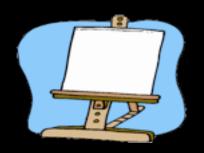


TDD Process

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"Just Enough" Design



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Development Iterations



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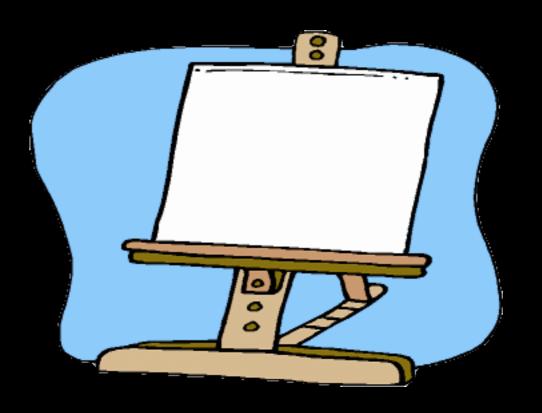


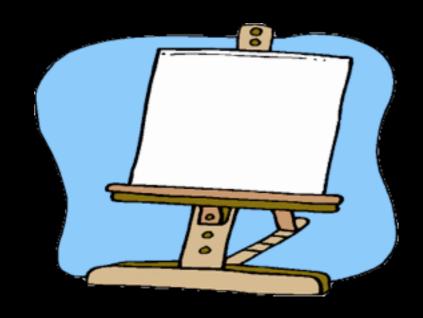
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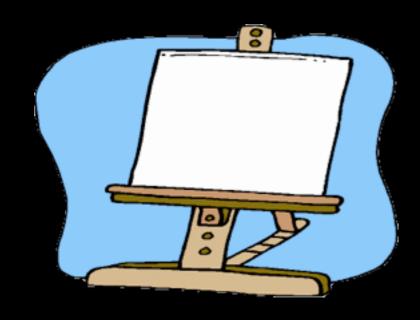
Review & Refactoring

"Just Enough"
Design

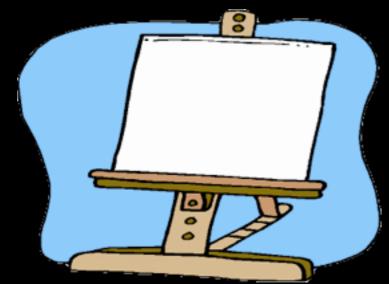




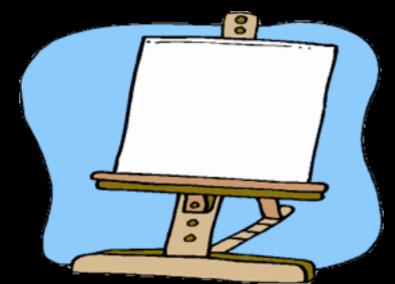
There is no single answer to how much is "Just Enough"



Decide: What is the purpose of this app?



Determine what constitutes "Done"



Do just enough up front design to get started

Development lterations





Decide what behavior we want to add next



Think about a good way to test it



Write a small test that clearly expresses our expectations



Write just enough code that will let the test

compile, but still fails because our expectations were not met



Run the test and watch it fail so we know that the test is being exercised



Write or modify just enough code to make the new test pass



Ensure all existing tests still pass

Review & Refactoring





Decide if any code needs to be refactored



Handle each refactoring separately



Make the change



Run the tests



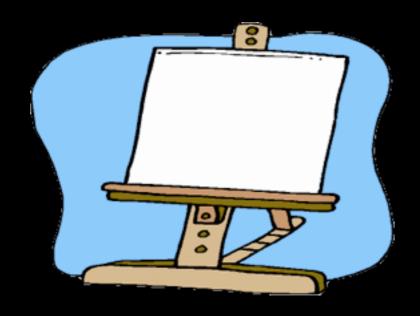
When we are satisfied with the changes, AND all the tests pass, the task is complete



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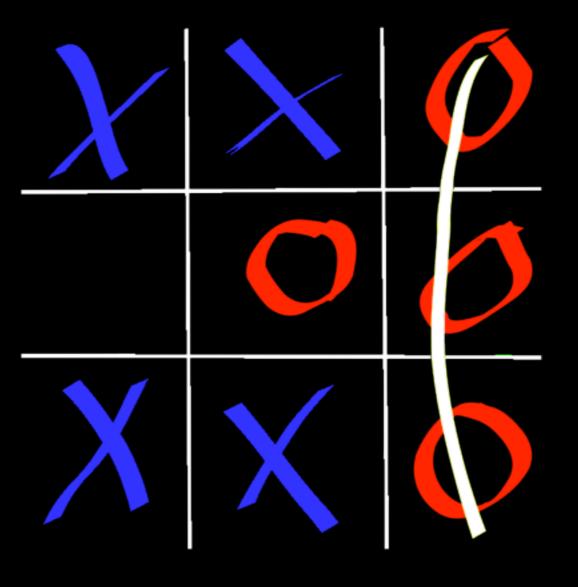
TDD Advantage

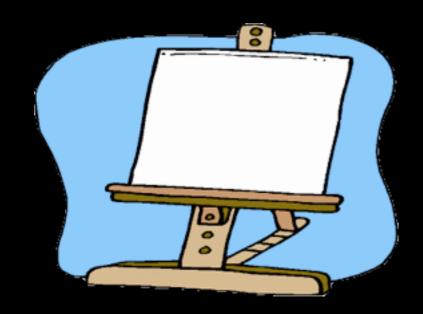
We are never very far from having working code, however incomplete it is.



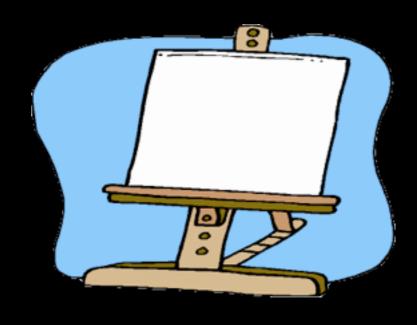
App's Purpose

Simple
Tic-Tac-Toe
Game



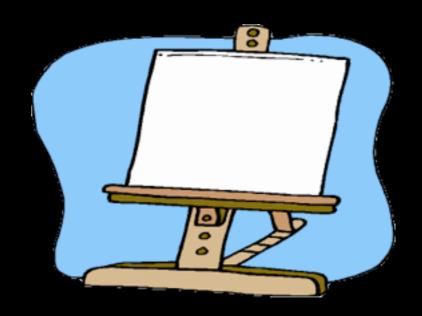


Think about our minimum feature set



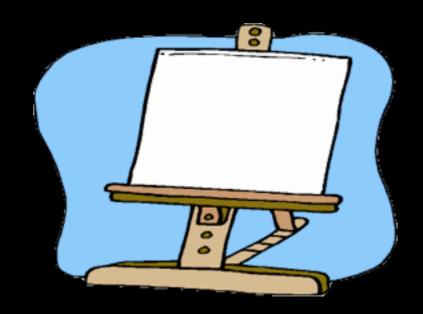
Simple Screen Mockup





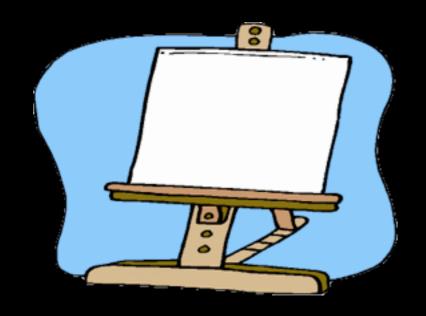
Simple model

- Players
- GameBoard
- GameManager
- GameView (UIKit based)



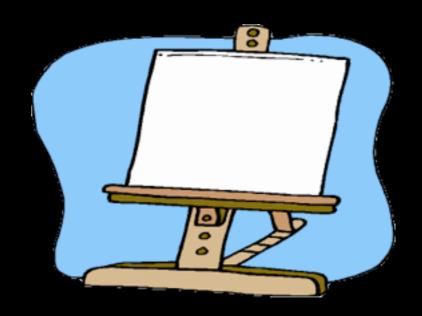
Players

Just a String



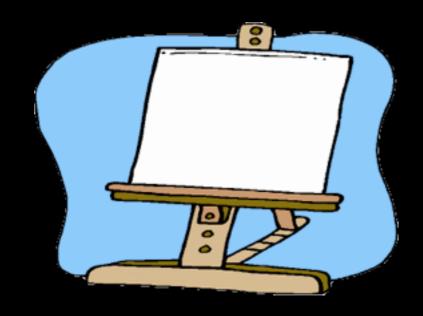
GameBoard

Keep track of positions
Validate moves
Check for winner or draw



GameManager

Manage starting a game
Track the players and turns
Make computer's move
Act as game controller



GameView

UlView with UlButton and UlLabel instances



Time to write some tests!

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Where to begin testing?



Create TestGameBoard.m

```
// TestGameBoard.m
#import <GHUnitIOS/GHUnitIOS.h>
@interface TestGameBoard : GHTestCase { }
@end
@implementation TestGameBoard
@end
```

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Our First Test

```
@implementation TestGameBoard
– (void) testValidMove row0 col0 {
    GameBoard *gameBoard =
      [[GameBoard alloc] init];
    [gameBoard movePlayer:@"playerA"
               row:0 col:0];
    GHAssertEqualStrings(@"playerA",
      [gameBoard playerAtRow:0 col:0],
      @"playerAt should return 'playerA'");
    [gameBoard release];
```

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```
// Gameboard.h

#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>
@interface GameBoard : NSObject {
}
@end
```

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```
// GameBoard.m

#import "GameBoard.h"

@implementation GameBoard
@end
```

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// TestGameBoard.m
#import <GHUnitIOS/GHUnitIOS.h>
#import "GameBoard.h"
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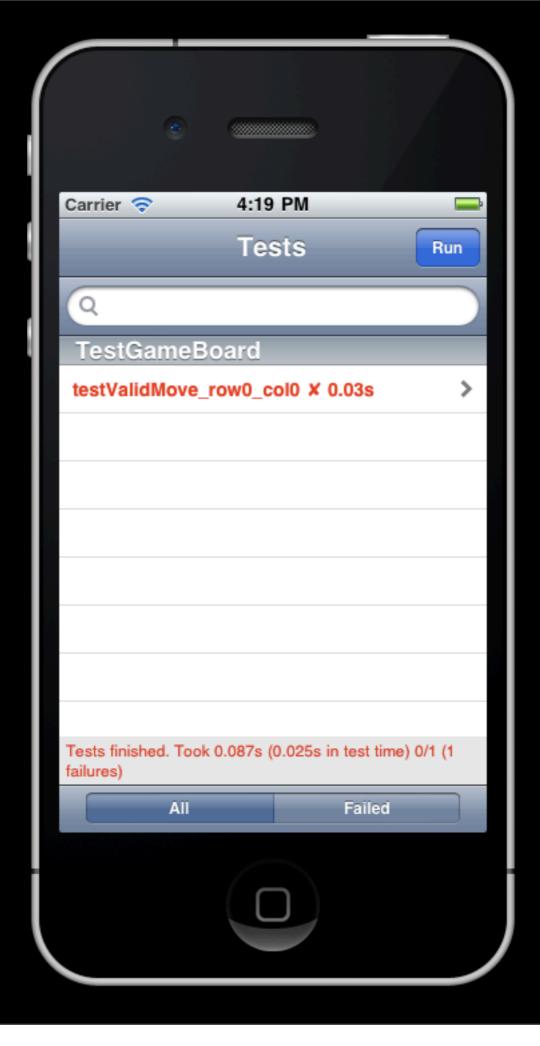
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// Gameboard.h
#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>
@interface GameBoard : NSObject {
– (void) movePlayer:(NSString *) player
                row: (int) row
                col:(int) col:
- (NSString *) playerAtRow:(int) row
                        col:(int) col:
@end
```

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```
// GameBoard.m
#import "GameBoard.h"
@implementation GameBoard
– (void) movePlayer:(NSString *) player
                 row: (int) row
                col:(int) col {
- (NSString *) playerAtRow:(int) row
                        col:(int) col {
    return nil;
@end
```

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Confidence in our ability to make changes

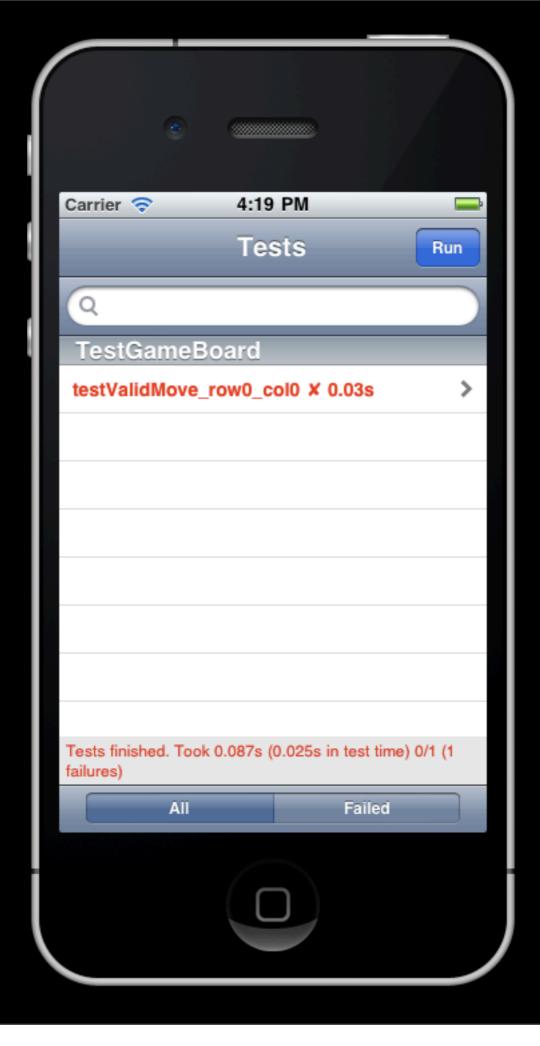




Allows us to focus on one thing at a time









Resist the temptation to do more than is necessary!











You will be writing code that does not yet have a test to validate it





You will be tempted to skip writing the test for it later





You might split your focus between too many things





You will probably write more code than you need







```
// Gameboard.h

#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>
@interface GameBoard : NSObject {
    NSString *player_;
}
```

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```
// GameBoard.m
– (void) movePlayer:(NSString *) player
                row: (int) row
                col:(int) col {
    player_ = player;
- (NSString *) playerAtRow:(int) row
                        col:(int) col {
    return player_;
```

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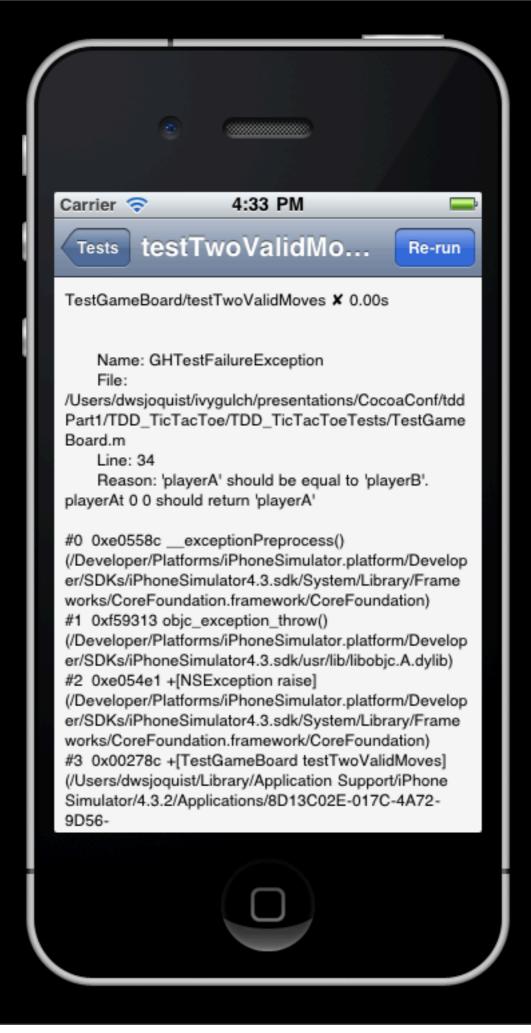


Our Second Test

```
- (void) testTwoValidMoves {
    GameBoard *gameBoard =
      [[GameBoard alloc] init];
    [gameBoard movePlayer:@"playerA"
               row:0 col:0];
    [gameBoard movePlayer:@"playerB"
               row:1 col:1];
    GHAssertEqualStrings(@"playerA",
      [gameBoard playerAtRow:0 col:0],
      @"playerAt should return 'playerA'");
    GHAssertEqualStrings(@"playerB",
      [gameBoard playerAtRow:1 col:1],
      @"playerAt should return 'playerB'");
    [gameBoard release];
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```

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```
// GameBoard.h
@interface GameBoard : NSObject {
    NSString * board_[3][3];
}
```

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```
// GameBoard.m
– (void) movePlayer:player
                row: (int) row
                col:(int) col {
    board_[row][col] = player;
- (NSString *) playerAtRow:(int) row
                        col:(int) col {
    return board_[row][col];
```

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Let's take a step back and review where we are

```
// TestGameBoard.m
@interface TestGameBoard : GHTestCase { }
GameBoard *gameBoard_;
@end
```

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```
@implementation TestGameBoard
- (void) setUp {
    [super setUp];
    gameBoard_ = [[GameBoard alloc] init];
- (void) tearDown {
    [gameBoard_ release];
    [super tearDown];
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```

```
– (void) testValidMove row0 col0 {
    [gameBoard movePlayer:@"playerA"
               row:0 col:0];
    GHAssertEqualStrings(@"playerA",
      [gameBoard playerAtRow:0 col:0],
      @"playerAt should return 'playerA'");
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- (void) testTwoValidMoves {
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    GHAssertEqualStrings(@"playerB",
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      @"playerAt should return 'playerB'");
@end
```

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Squirrel!



```
// todo.txt
```

Tests to add:

- test that GameBoard detects moves outside valid range
- test that GameBoard detects when a makes an invalid move (selects a move already made by a player)
- test that GameBoard to make sure only two players can be used for a given game

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The Bottom Line

It is critical to Stay on Target!



What's In Part 2?

- Deeper tests
- Components with dependencies
- OCMock usage

TDD in iOS

Coming soon: TDD/iOS tutorial series on

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