Advanced Object-Oriented Design

Xtreme Test Driven Development

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Outline

- TDD on steroids
- Live programming at its best
- Smart tools
- Absolutely gorgeous development flow





Do not break the flow

- Write a test
- When it breaks, define the method on the fly in the debugger
- Resume and continue until the test is green

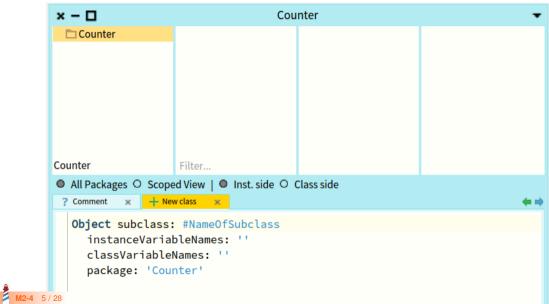


Studying an example

- A dead simple counter. Nothing simpler.
- Focus on the essence of the process!
- You can do it.



An empty package



An empty test case class

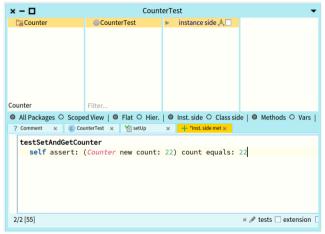
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A first test (II)

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- Method is about to be compiled
- The system knows the class does not exist!

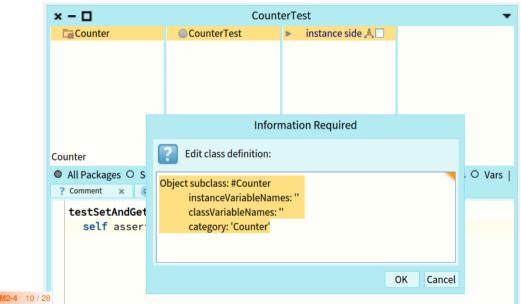
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Define a class (II)



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Supporting the programmer flow

• The system

- created a new method for us
- Removed the stack element with Error
- Replaced it with a call to the new method
- Relaunched execution
- We edited it and recompiled the method
- The system Continued execution



New method

The system:

- Created a new method
- Removed the stack element with Error
- Replaced it with a call to the new method

count: anInteger self shouldBeImplemented

• shouldBeImplemented is just an exception so that the debugger stops again



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- Run all the tests
- Ready to commit
- New test



Why XTDD is powerful

- Avoid guessing context when coding
- Much much better context
 - inspect that **specific** instance state
 - talk to that **specific** object
- Inspectable / interactable context
- Tests are not a side effect artifact but the driving force



Protip from expert Pharo developers

- Grab as fast as possible one object
- Cristalize your scenario with a test
- Xtreme TDD
- Loop



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