# From Code Smells

to Anti-Patterns

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...certain structures in the code that suggest (sometimes they scream for) the possibility of refactoring.

- Kent Beck



## Pareto Principle (80/20 Rule)

"The Secret to Success by Achieving More with Less"



Invest on 20% of the effort to get 80% of a good result.

#### **Bad Smells**



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## Mindsets and principles

Follow the rules of

- Object Calisthenics
- Core Principles
  - KISS
  - DRY
  - YAGNI
  - SOLID
  - Tell don't ask!
  - WTF Principle
  - ...

... they can also be applied to Anti-Patterns.

## Anti-Pattern - Cut and Paste (CopyPasta)

Developers tend to CopyPasta code snippets.

- $\rightarrow$  Code Duplications (hard to maintain)
- $\rightarrow$  Bad code structure
- $\rightarrow$  Buggy snippets



#### Anti-Pattern - Spaghetti Code

"A references B which references C and D which sometimes references A or E but mostly A which provides ... Did you get all that? Now add a new feature that uses G but not I."

WTF?



## Anti-Pattern - Spaghetti Code

Why bad?

- $\rightarrow$  Code is hard to change (strong coupling)
- $\rightarrow$  A single change can break the software in different places
- $\rightarrow$  Code is not reusable
- $\rightarrow$  Try to find shortcuts, because the code it too complicated

...and many more Anti-Patterns!

## Code Smells vs. Anti-Patterns

- Code Smells
  - Related to the code
  - Sign and hint, that something might be wrong
  - Potential Problem
  - Not always a Problem

- Anti-Patterns
  - Can be related to code or software design
  - "Bad idea" from design aspects
  - Good patterns, but in a wrong context

### Conclusions

- Know mindsets and principles are very important, to take actions
- Bad smells and Anti-Pattern should be considered and refactored
- Trying to focus on less effort, but with big effects
- Not always all findings and issues can be fixed

## Questions?

