

TDD - RUNNING

Strengthening the foundation

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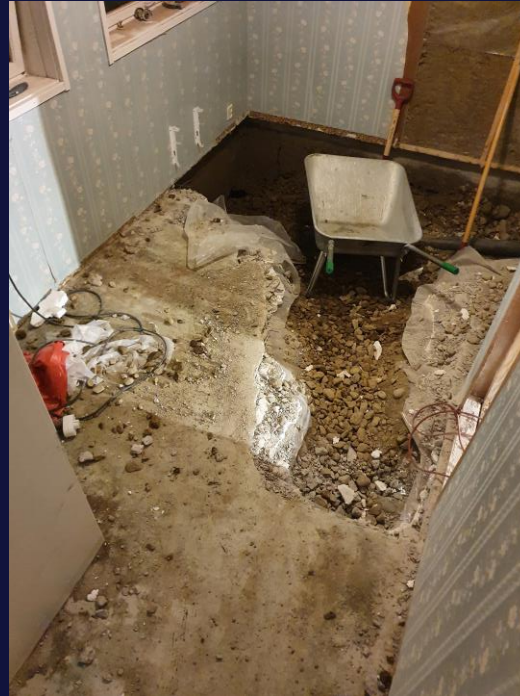
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Intro

- The importance of a strong foundation
- SOLID principles revisited
- Refactoring
- Coupling and cohesion

The importance of a strong foundation



I found some cracks in my foundation



- Lack of vocabulary.
- Lack of code smell knowledge.
- Lack of pattern knowledge
 - ..or for some: The skill needed to apply them
- Lack of SOLID principle knowledge
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Why are there cracks?

- It's much more tempting and fun to learn new technologies and languages instead of reinforcing the foundation
- The stakeholders/customers want a house, they often don't care much about the foundation. Especially when pressured.
- Because we are afraid to challenge other people, the tech lead or «the man» or whoever.
- Because we are afraid to take the road less travelled.

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SOLID revisited

- Single Responsibility Principle
 - Modules / methods should have only reason to change
 - Smells: Large class, Long method, long parameter list, switch statements
- Open / Closed Principle
 - About modularity. Add functionality without changing existing code.
 - Goes against YAGNI
- Liskov Substitution Principle
 - Parent classes should be replaceable with subclasses without breaking code
 - Favour «has a»-relationships over «is-a»

SOLID revisited cont.

- Interface Segregation Principle
 - Keep interfaces small, so many interfaces instead of few big ones.
 - Sort of like SRP for interfaces
- Dependency Inversion Principle
 - Both high level and low level modules should depend on abstractions
 - Abstractions should not depend upon details, details should depend on abstractions (contracts)

Refactoring



- Stay in the green
- Don't fix bugs in the exposed behaviour, clients might be relying on it

Refactoring quick guide

- First, increase readability (counts for 80% of the improvement)
 - Do this layer by layer
- Then, refactor the design (counts for 20% of the improvement)
- To help stay in the green, use Parallel Change
 - Expand: «Add new code instead of changing existing code».
 - Migrate: «Allow clients to migrate to new code / client code point to new code»
 - Contract: «Remove deprecated code/tests»

Coupling and Cohesion

- Coupling
 - How much interdependence between modules
 - Should be kept as low as possible
 - If high, making changes is hard
- Cohesion
 - How related the responsibilities within a class is
 - Should be kept as high as possible
 - If low, the class should probably be splitted



What this course taught me and how to take this further

- Improved skills and vocabulary
 - Easier to avoid/spot code smells, and easier to communicate them to others
 - Easier to spot and implement patterns and principles, and easier to communicate them to others
- I need to focus more on strengthening my foundation (fixing cracks)
- I should be honest about my cracks, we all have them
- I will keep doing kata's, and i will be asking other convertees to join me
 - We have to organize some mob programming in our team/unit/company!

**«The only easy day was yesterday»
US Navy Seals**

Questions?

Thanks!

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