

Characteristics of 'good' agile testing solutions

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#### Test Automation is hard

"Automated testing tools are expected to make things faster and easier for IT companies."

"The reality is that automated testing projects fail and the business goes back to manual testing."

"Testing is then outsourced to off shore locations."





#### Some of the common reasons for failure...

"Unrealistic Expectations, now we've invested everything works straight away"

"One size fits all."

"Not understanding the testing requirements."

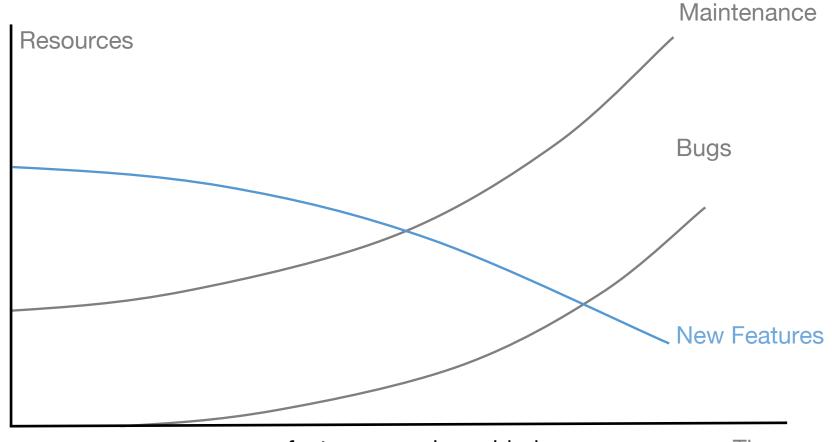
"Lack of management buy-in."

"No budget and no ongoing maintenance... fire and forget"





#### Automated testing is a **necessity** not a luxury

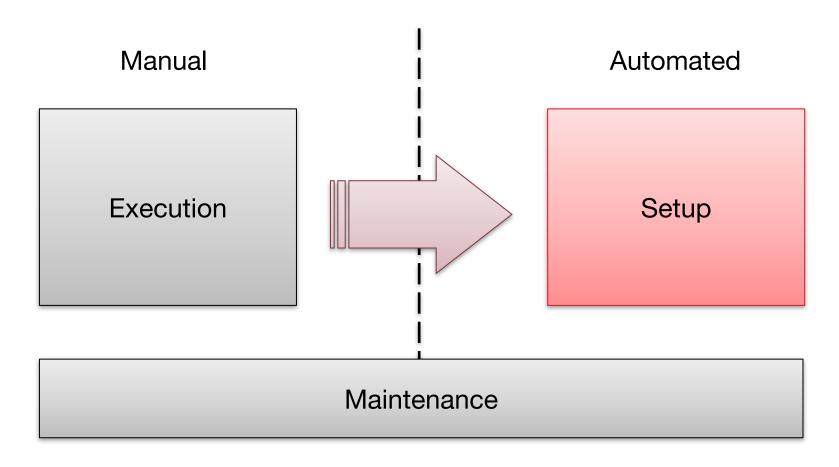


new features = value added

Time

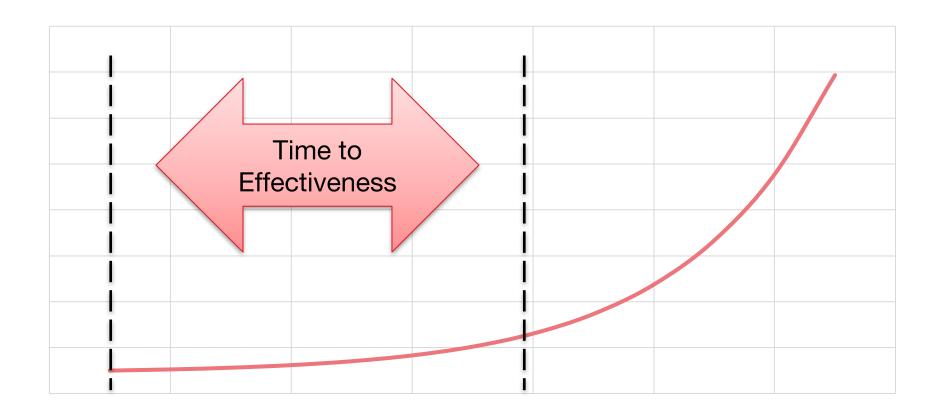


#### Cost of Testing - Manual v Automated





Critical success factor is to minimise the "Time to Effectiveness"





Let's start with the basics then... the bottom line





#### Core '-ilities' of any test automation tool





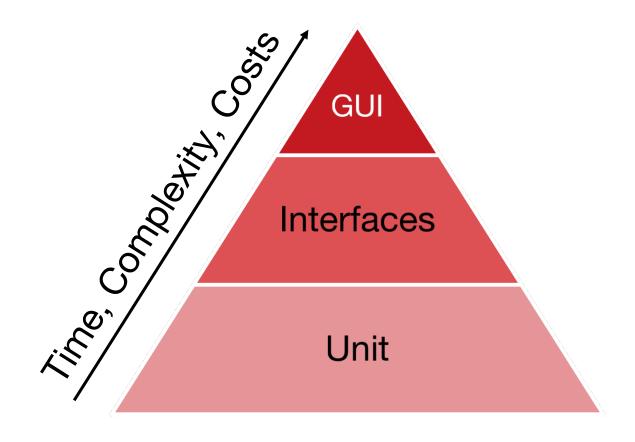




- 1. Maintainability
- 2. Reliability
- 3. Scalability
- 4. Traceability

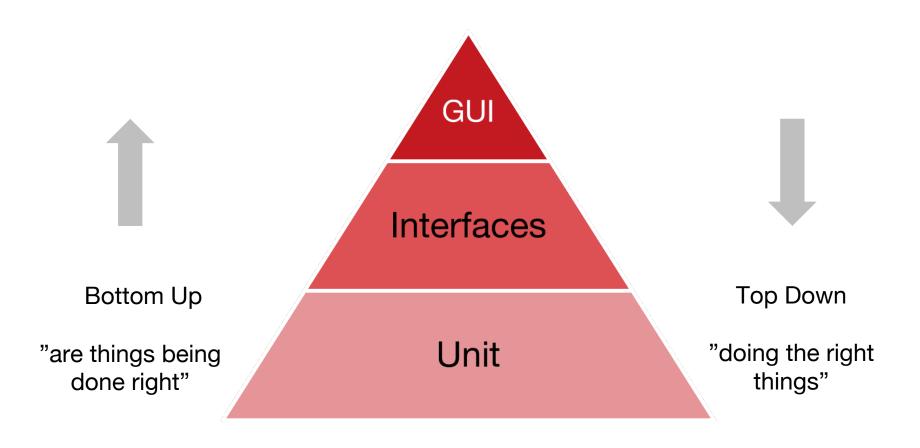


# Agile Testing Pyramid - The basics



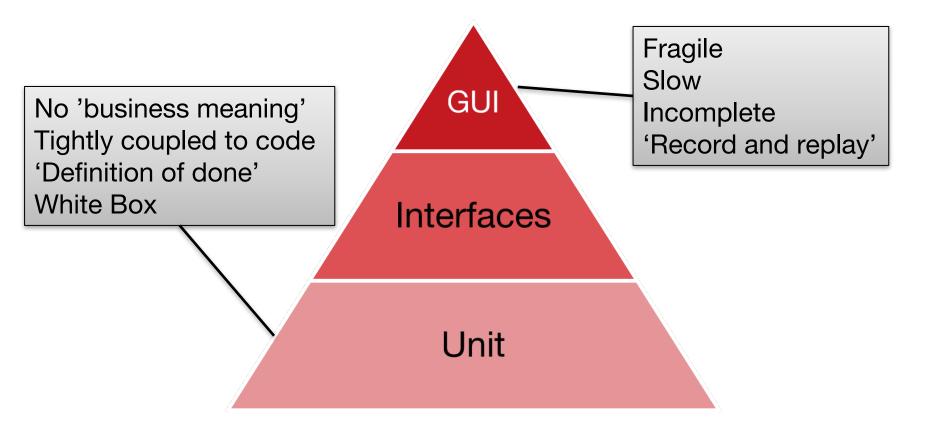


## Agile Testing Pyramid – Two different world-views



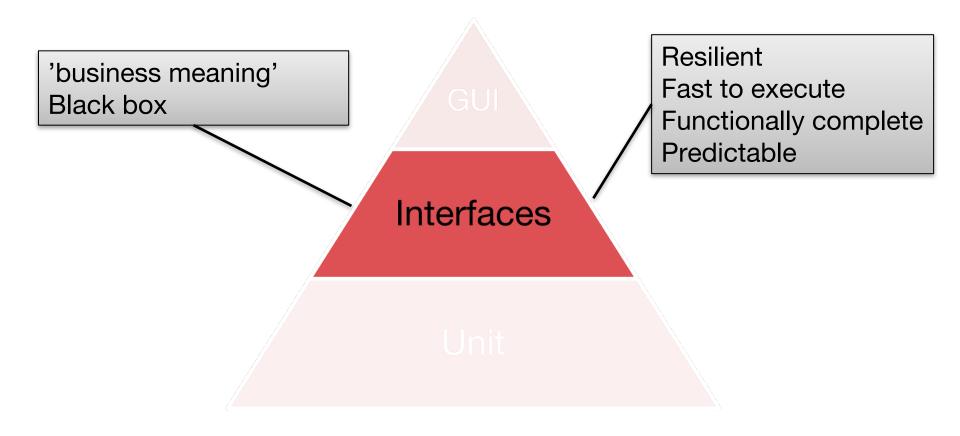


## Agile Testing Pyramid – Problems



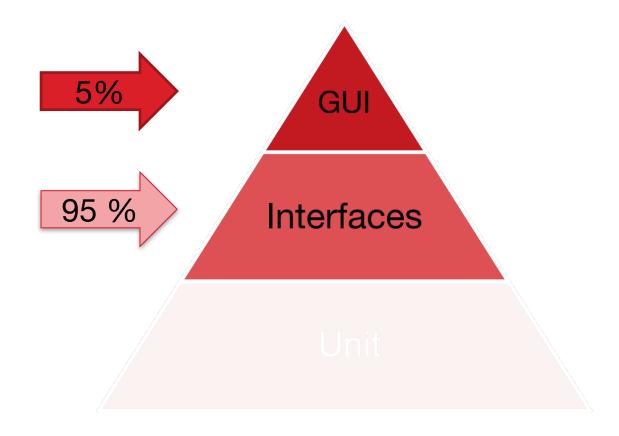


## Agile Testing Pyramid – Win comes with at the API



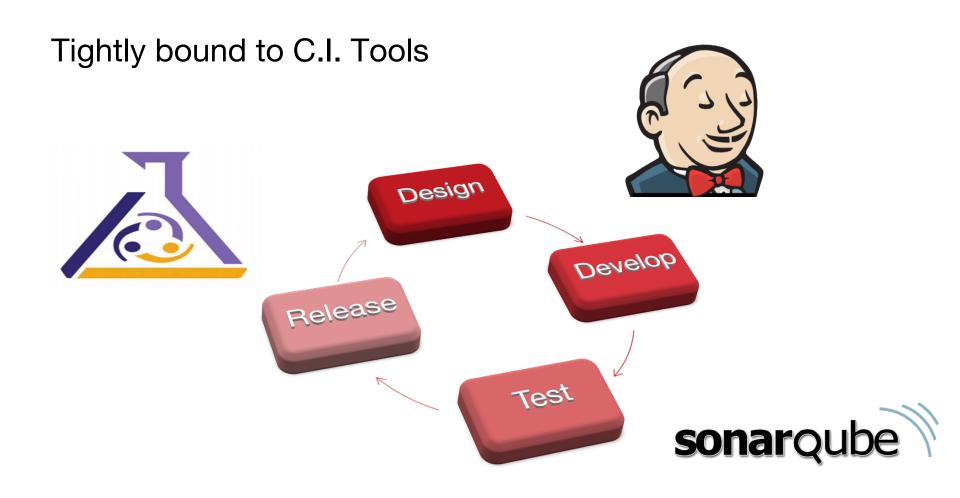


Okay... you still need 'some' GUI tests



#1 Focus on the API (but you still need the GUI)





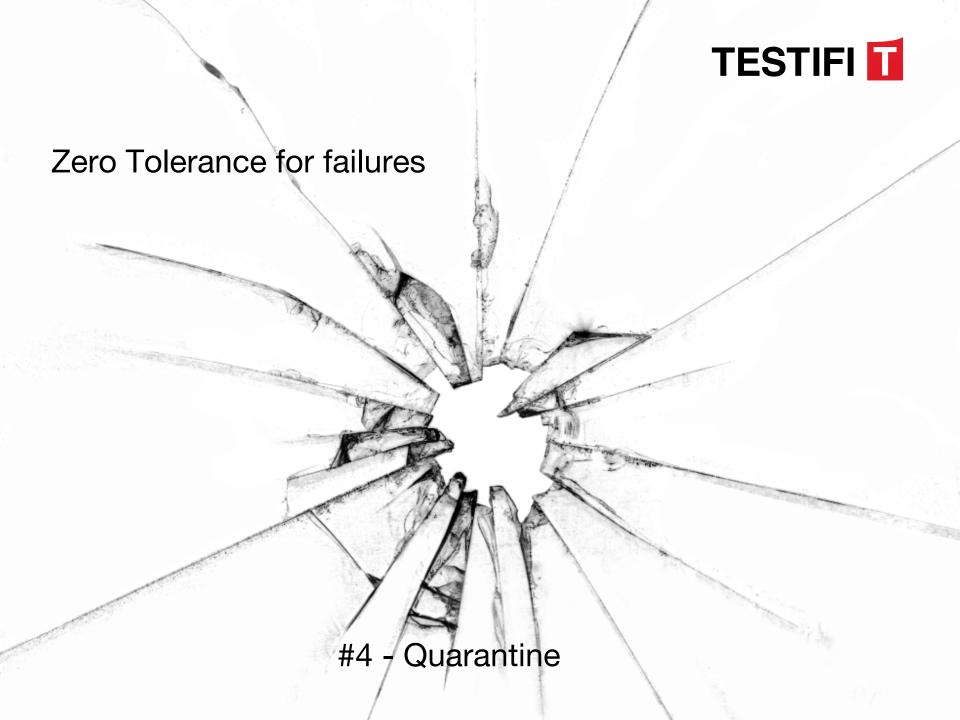
#2 - Continuous Testing



#### Communication - From Verification to Feedback



#3 - Feedback





If you go to the trouble of making a test, use it for more than

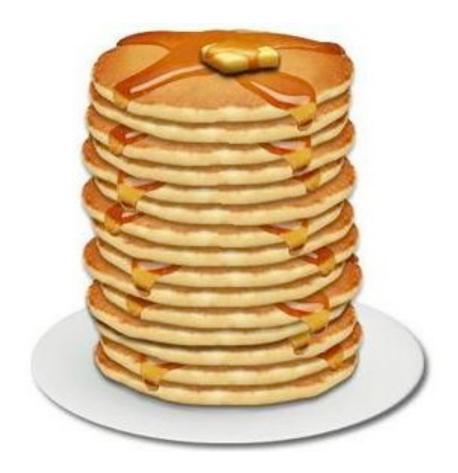
one thing



#5 - Multi-Purpose



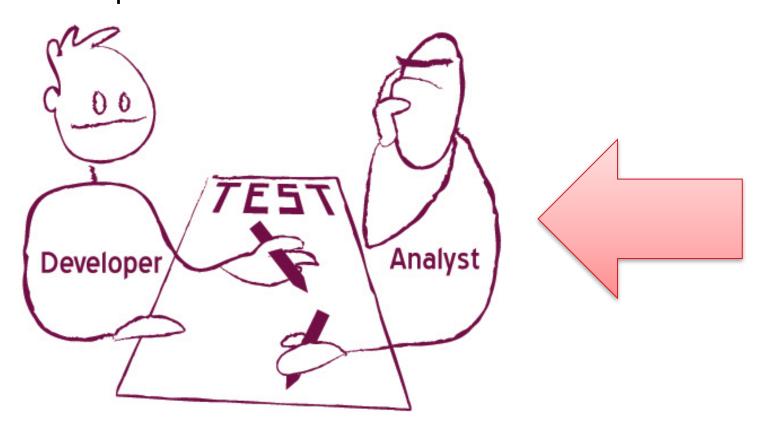
# Access to the whole system



#6 - Full stack analysis



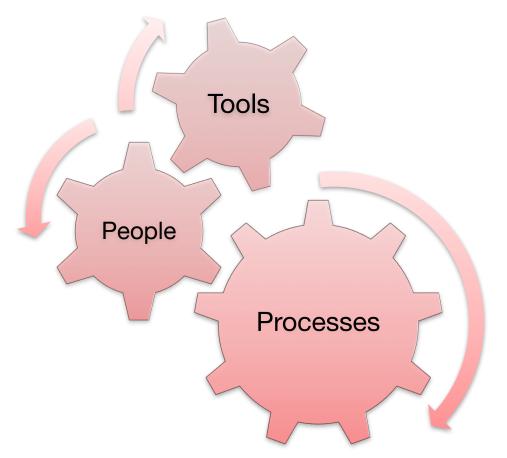
Development **starts with the tests** and it integrates the entire process



#7 - Push to the Left



More than just a tool... its a fully integrated solution



#8 - Set, Implement, Enforce Processes



A Checklist...

Core -ilities









Agile Test Characteristics

Focus on the API

**Continuous Testing** 

Feedback

Quarantine

Multi Purpose

Full Stack Analysis

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A Better Checklist...

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Scalability
Traceability

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