



Applying Acceptance Test Driven Development to a Problem Based Learning Academic Real-Time System

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Introduction

- Financial institutions lose annually **billions of dollars** resulting from **unauthorized access and fraud** on electronic commerce transactions.
- Computer systems are susceptible to defects
- **Agile methods** have **TDD** as one of their principles
- **Problem Based Learning** (PBL) reveals unseen **potentials** and provides a **dynamic learning process**.



Introduction

- This paper presents
 - **Test Driven Development** applied to a computer system prototype using **Problem Based Learning** in an **Interdisciplinary** environment
 - The PBL is a Case Study about **Unauthorized Access and Fraud**



Case Study – Unauthorized Access and Fraud

- **Academic scope**
- Involving unauthorized access and fraud
- Prototype of a Real-Time Embedded System for Unauthorized Access Control and Fraud Detection (**SETRAIF**) was designed and developed

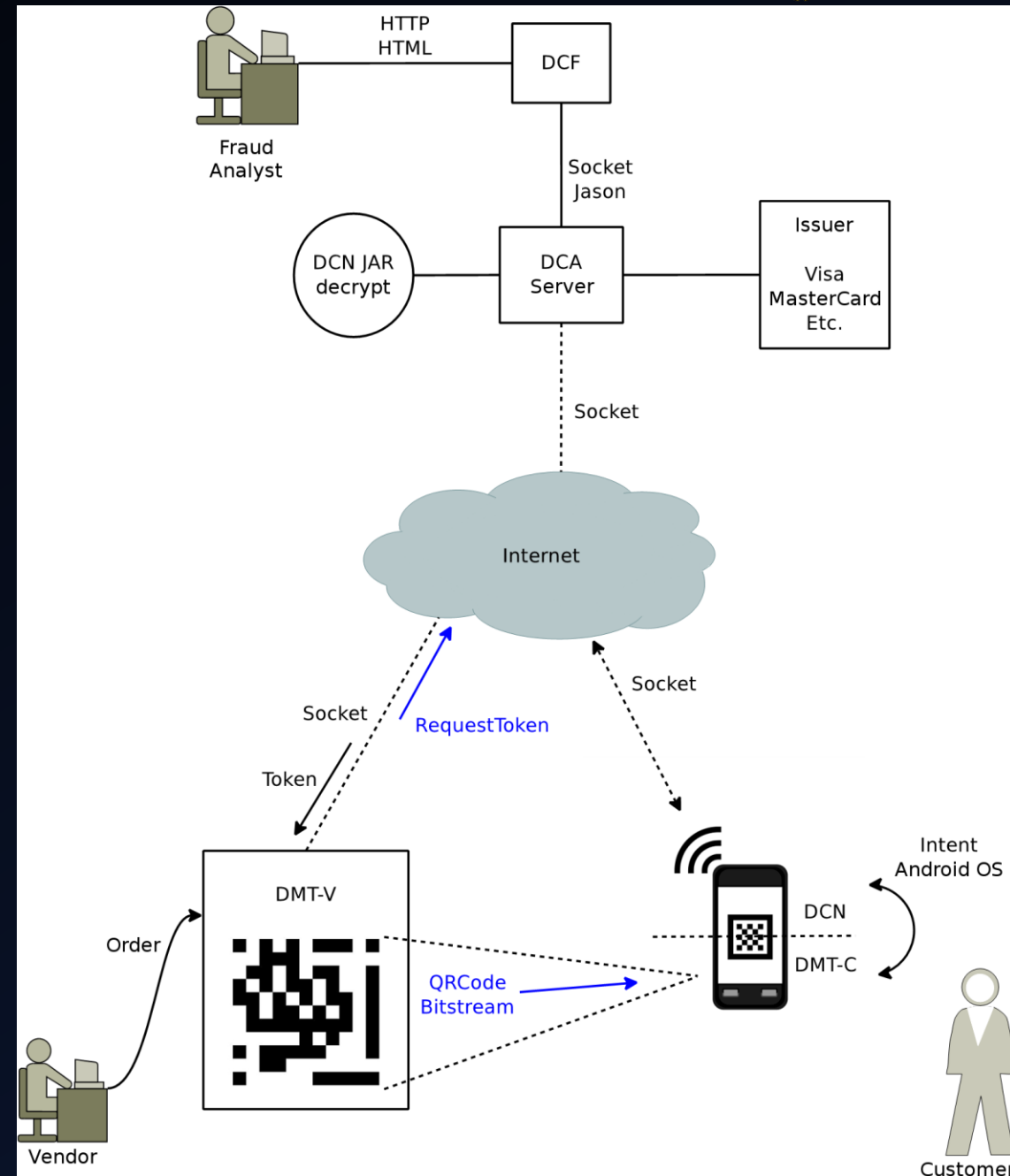
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The DMT provides **electronic transactions**

- The customer module (DMT-C)
- The vendor module (DMT-V).

First, the **customer** gets the **product's information** by **QR Code** and electronically communicates his or her buying interest to the vendor.

Subsequently, **the DMT-V** module **acquires the data** of the product, customer, vendor, and geolocation.

The **DMT-V** asks the **DCN** for **authorization** (via token) to sell the product. If it is confirmed, the order is released to the customer.

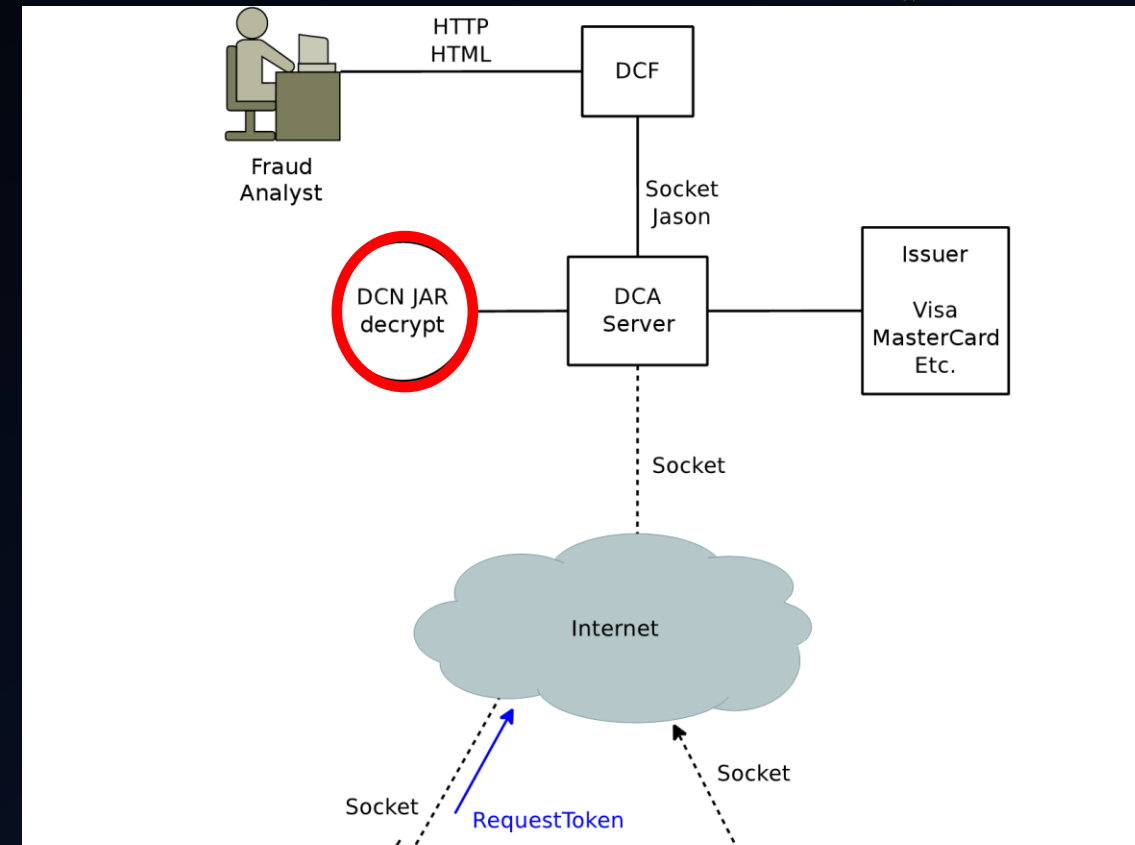
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The DCN, which is a communication layer with the Internet (cloud) on the customer device, provides the **secure exchange** (encrypted) **of information** between the DMT and the DCA.

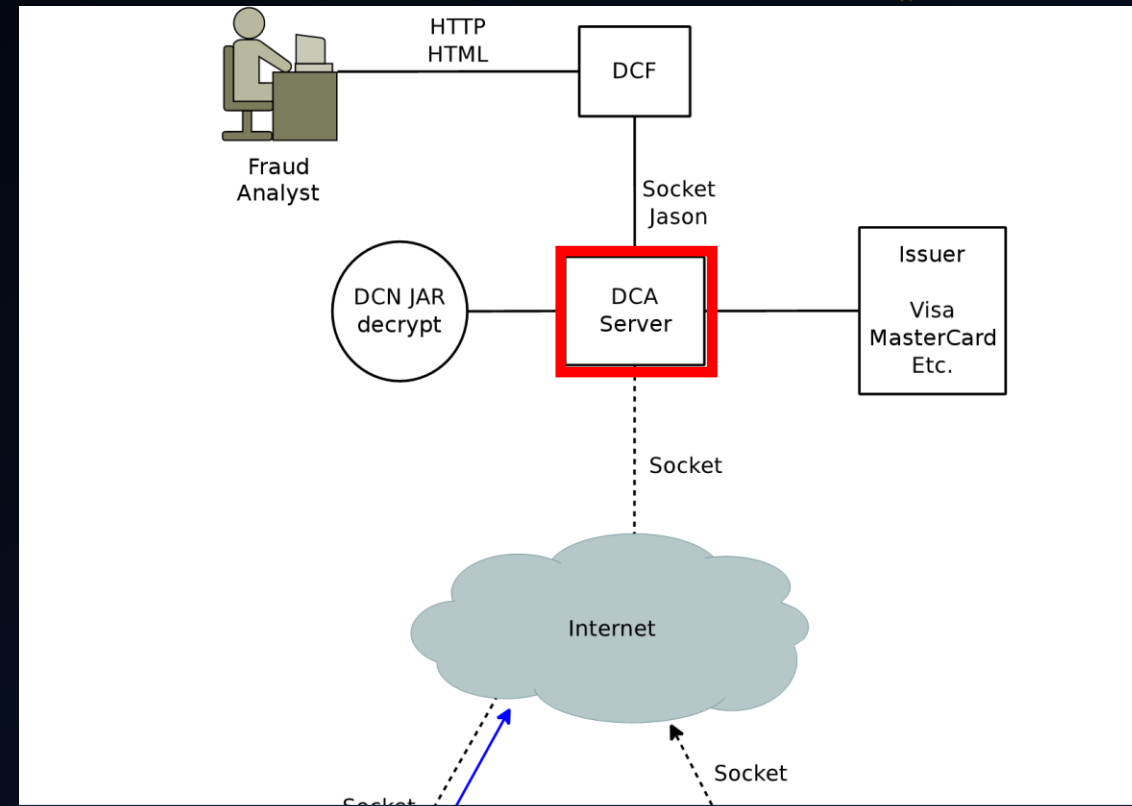
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The DCA uses the information from the vendor and customer devices to **validate or block access**.

On success, the information is sent to the DCF and later to a credit card company.

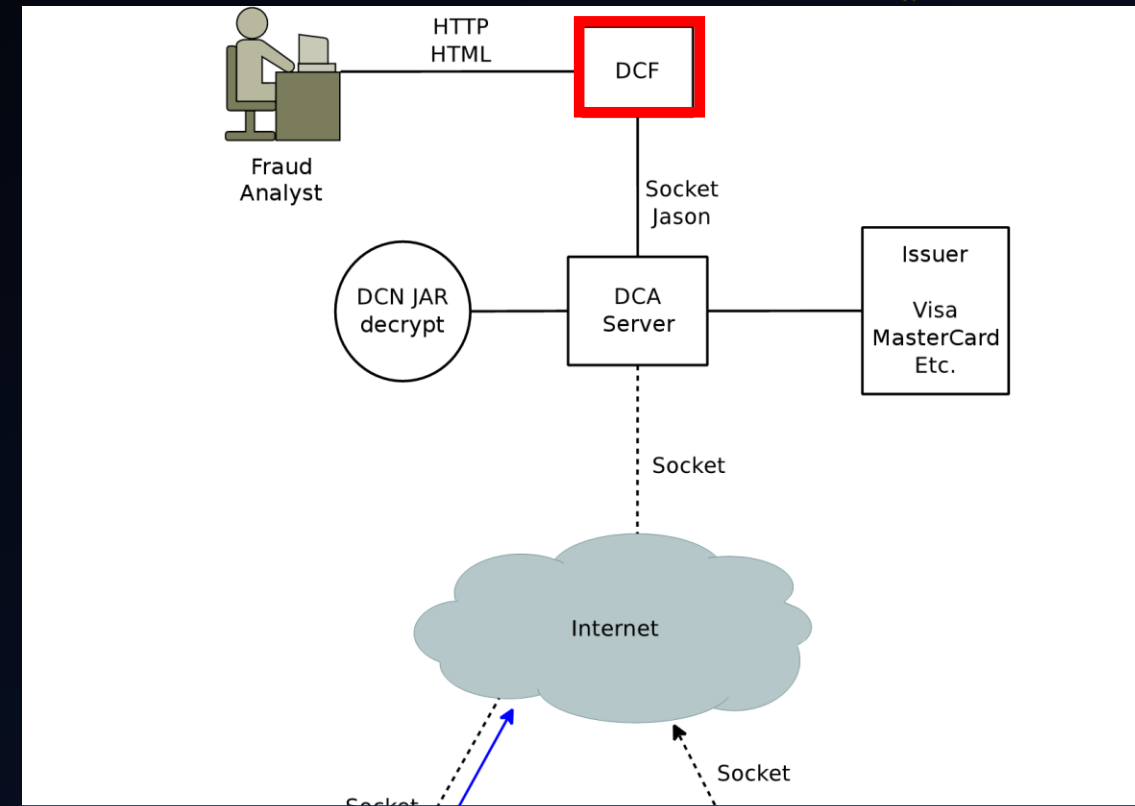
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The DCF **verifies the legitimacy of the transaction**, quickly and reliably, based on the **customer's behavior** and **geographic history**, to reduce the risks from fraud for those involved.



Case Study – SETRAIF

- Completed in 17 weeks
- Aeronautics Institute of Technology – ITA – Brazil
- Team
 - Professors and researchers
 - Students of the undergraduate program in computer engineering
 - Students of the graduate program in electrical engineering and computer engineering



Case Study – SETRAIF

- Four courses contributed to the accomplishment of this project.

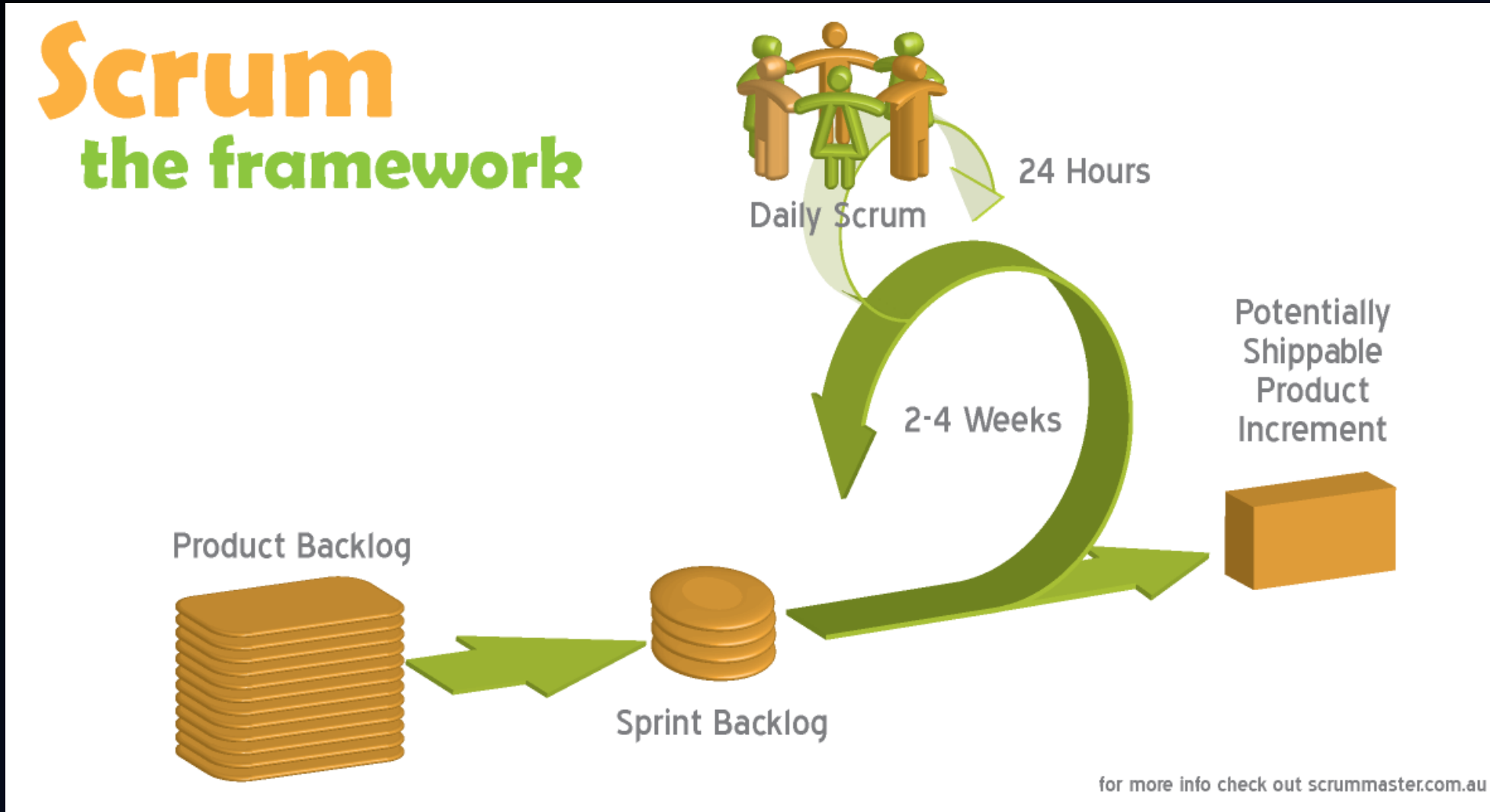
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Embedded
Systems
(undergradu
ate course)

CE-235
Real-Time
Embedded
Systems

CE-230
Software
Quality,
Reliability,
and Safety

CE-237
Advanced
Topics in
Software
Testing

Methodology



Methodology

Scrum

- **Scope was reduced** and **two sprints of four weeks** each were defined
- A **student developer team** was established for **each one** of the SETRAIF's **devices**
- Each team had a **professor** as a **product owner** and a **scrum master** represented by a **student** from the Real-Time Embedded Systems course
- **INVEST** (Independent, Negotiable, Valuable, Estimable, Small, and Testable) criteria was used **to write** the requirements into **user stories**
- **Planning poker** technique was used to measure the **development effort**
- **Testing activities** occurred in both sprints
- Use of **collaborative tools** for virtual meetings, like Google Hangout.

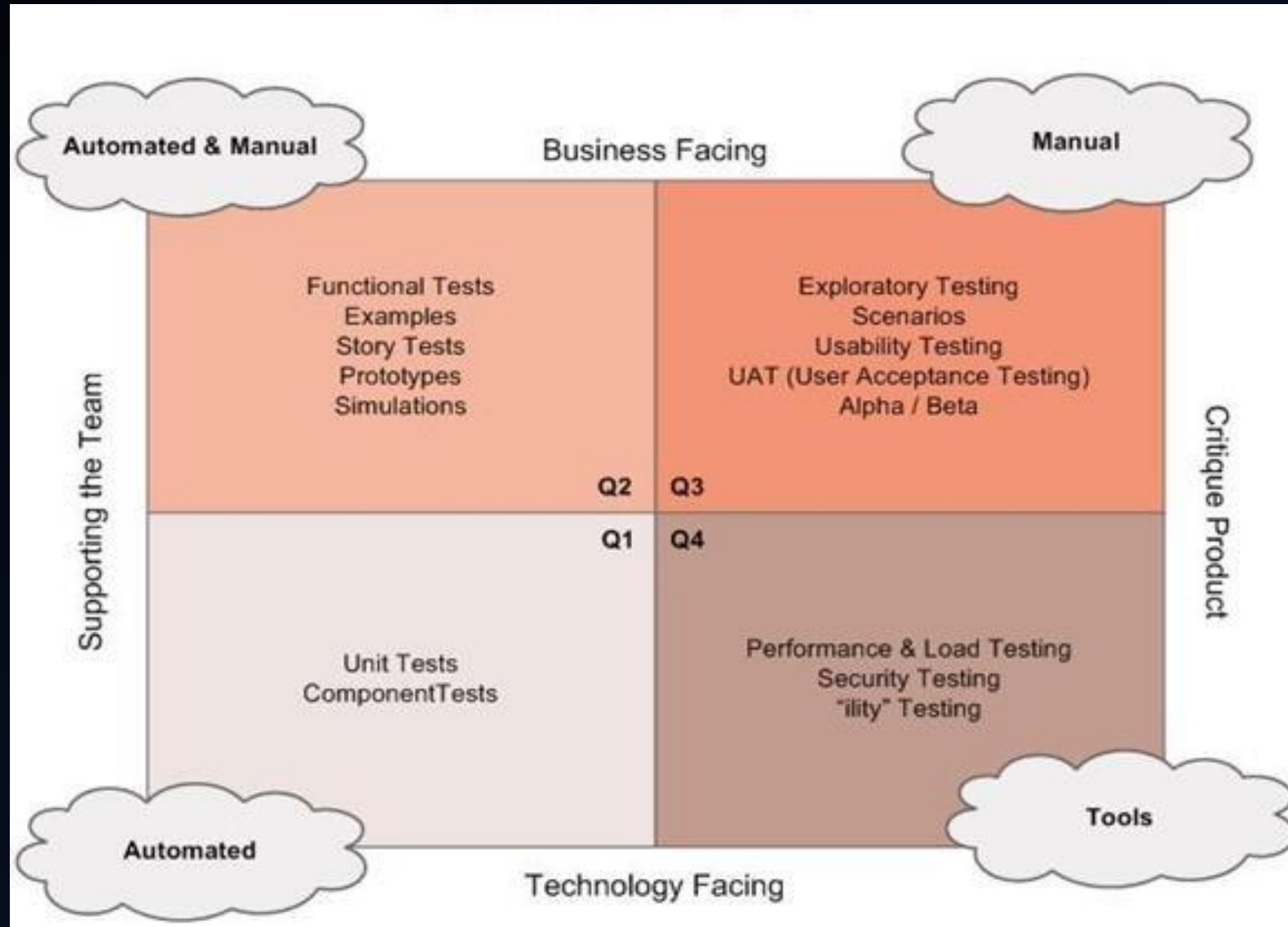




TDD

- **Quality is not equal to test.**
- Quality is achieved by appropriately mixing the development and testing activities
- **Testing must be an unavoidable aspect of development**
- Two kinds of teams are usually identified:
 - customer team (e.g. business experts, product owners, product managers)
 - developer team (e.g. developers, testers)
- **Testers must have technical and business knowledge**

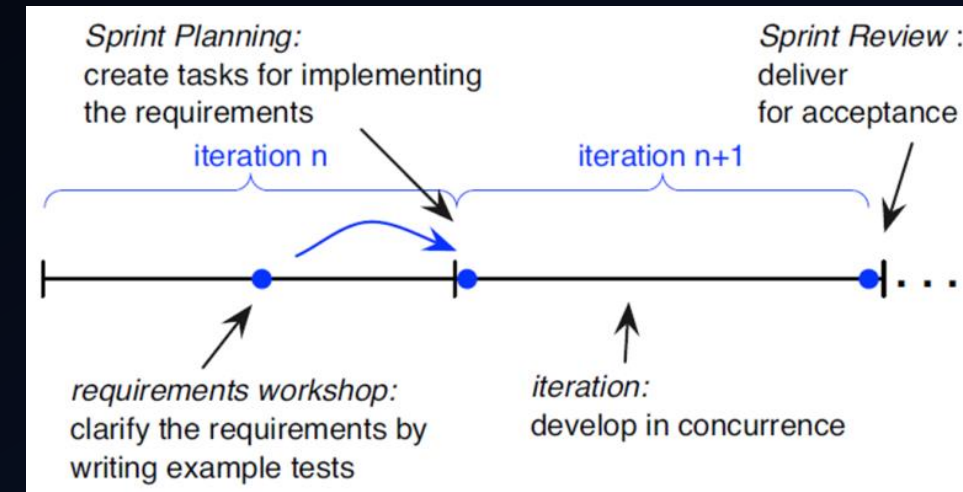
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Testing Strategy

- We used:
 - **Acceptance Test Driven Development (ATDD)**
 - ATDD's artifacts and techniques, such as: **charter, persona, scenarios**, and **use cases** used for requirements clarification
 - **Theme Screening** and the **Theme Scoring** techniques enabled the prioritization.
 - Those techniques helped in the **identification and documentation** of complex business rules and in a **significant reduction of test cases** to achieve more efficient results.

ATDD steps mapped to Scrum





Running Tests and Tests Results

- Automating and running test cases for the SETRAIF prototype in both sprints, during the unit testing, integration testing, system testing, and acceptance testing phases, in order to increase the product's quality
- Among the various tools used for this purpose, the prominent were:
 - Robot Framework
 - Selenium
 - Coverage



Robot Framework

- BDD
 - Given
 - When
 - Then

Setting	Value
Resource	resource.html
Test Teardown	Close Browser

Test Case	Step	Argument
Homepage	When the homepage is open	
	Then it is correctly shown	
Filtering Fields	When the homepage is open	
	Then the filtering fields are shown	
Valid Account	Given a valid account	1001
	When I click "Search"	
Invalid Account	Then the report is shown	
	Given an invalid account	X
Valid Start Date	When I click "Search"	
	Then a message is shown	
Invalid Start Date	Given a valid start date	2012-11-27
	When I click "Search"	
Valid End Date	Then the report is shown	
	Given an invalid start date	X
Invalid End Date	When I click "Search"	
	Then a message is shown	
Valid End Date	Given a valid end date	2012-11-27
	When I click "Search"	
Invalid End Date	Then the report is shown	
	Given an invalid end date	X
Invalid End Date	When I click "Search"	
	Then a message is shown	



Robot, Selenium and Coverage

Report Home About

Filters

Account Device Start Date 2012-11-27 Fraud Locality Search

[Account](#) [Device](#) [Date](#) [Value](#) [Fraud](#) [Latitude](#) [Longitude](#)

[View Results on Map](#)

REPORT
Generated 20121127 11:22:38 GMT -02:00
300 days 22 hours ago

Report Tests Test Log

Test Statistics

Total Statistics	Total	Pass	Fail	Elapsed	Pass / Fail
Critical Tests	8	4	4	00:01:59	<div style="width: 50%; background-color: green;"></div> <div style="width: 50%; background-color: red;"></div>
All Tests	8	4	4	00:01:59	<div style="width: 50%; background-color: green;"></div> <div style="width: 50%; background-color: red;"></div>

Statistics by Tag	Total	Pass	Fail	Elapsed	Pass / Fail
No Tags					

Statistics by Suite	Total	Pass	Fail	Elapsed	Pass / Fail
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Test Execution Log

- TEST SUITE: Report Tests** [Expand All](#)
 - Full Name:** Report Tests
 - Source:** C:\Documents and Settings\Administrador\Meus documentos\eclipse\setraif-dcf-master\htests\robot\report_tests.html
 - Start / End / Elapsed:** 20121127 11:20:39.062 / 20121127 11:22:38.171 / 00:01:59.109
 - Status:** 8 critical test, 4 passed, **4 failed**
8 test total, 4 passed, **4 failed**
- TEST CASE: Homepage** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Filtering Fields** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Valid Account** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Invalid Account** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Valid Start Date** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Invalid Start Date** [Expand All](#)
- TEST CASE: Valid End Date** [Expand All](#)
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Tests Results

- The techniques used were:
 - Coding Style (CS);
 - Duplicated Code (DC);
 - Unit Testing (UT);
 - Coverage Analysis (CA);
 - Acceptance Testing (AT);
 - Load Testing (LT); and
 - Usability Testing (US).

Test Approach	Quantity	Pass	Fails
CS	4	0 (0%)	4 (100%)
DC	1	1 (100%)	0 (0%)
UT	21	17 (80.95%)	4 (19.05%)
CA	4	4 (100%)	0 (0%)
AT	14	9 (64.29%)	5 (35.71%)
LT	1	1 (100%)	0 (0%)
US	7	5 (71.43%)	2 (28.57%)



Conclusion

- This paper has described a proposal for a **TDD** of a computer system **prototype using PBL**, in an **interdisciplinary** environment.
- Developing a computer system prototype with PBL **requires dedication** and commitment to overcome the various obstacles presented.
- The **interdisciplinary approach** provides that students, who do not know each other, **exchange different knowledge** and priorities.
- **ATDD** proved to be **essential to the project**, facilitating the requirements specification and it also an auxiliary mechanism for quality assurance.



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