Black-Belt Development

Part 2

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Modules developed previously:

- Installer, Configuration Wizard, Licenses
- Files Attaching & Sync, Companies
- Snapshots Field Level Audit, Localization
- Exchange Integration, Online Updated
- Single Sign On, Generic Inquires
- Users and Security, Integration Services

Agenda

- Acumatica Platform for Teamwork
  - Team Development
  - Test Framework
  - Continuous Integration
- Acumatica Development Patterns
  - 6 Patterns

TEAM DEVELOPMENT

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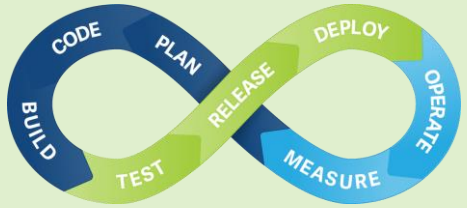
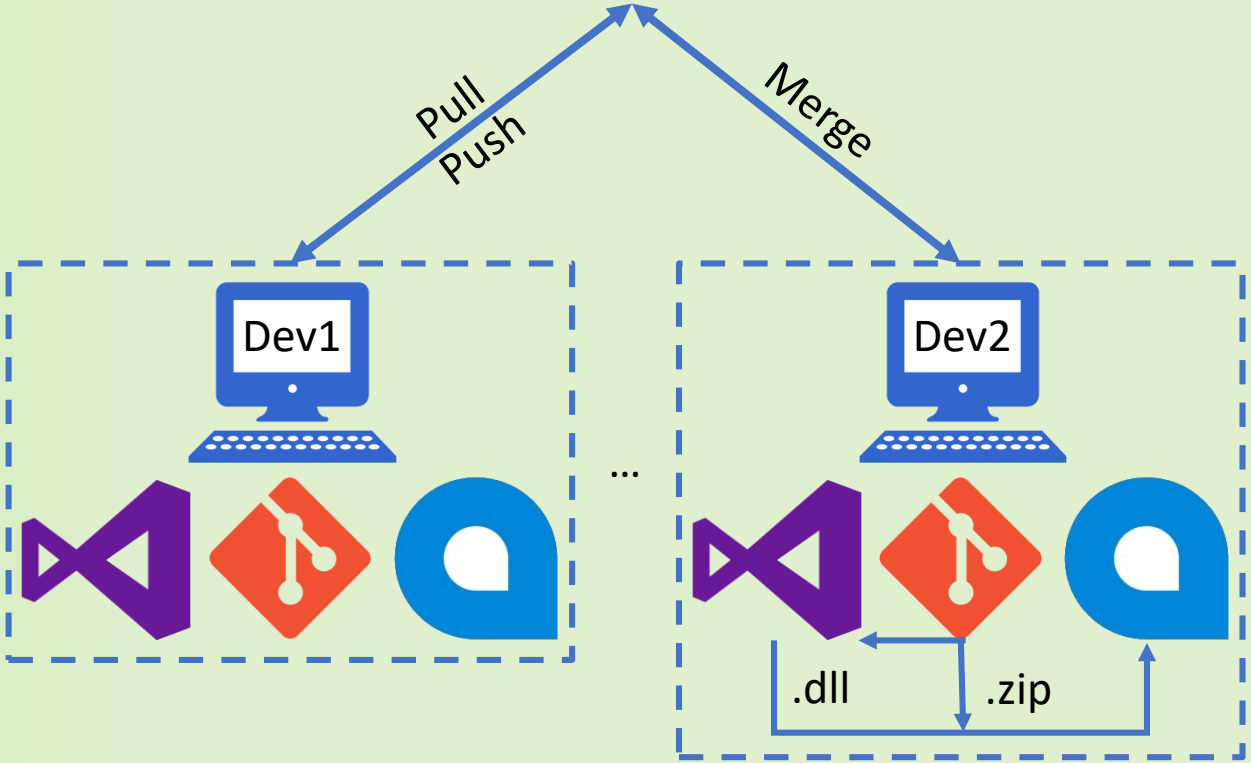
Team Development

- Source code for:
  - Customization Project
  - Extension Library
- History of changes



- Build
- Test
- Deploy



- Local version of:
  - Repository
  - Acumatica Instance
  - Database
- Independent development
- Local debug

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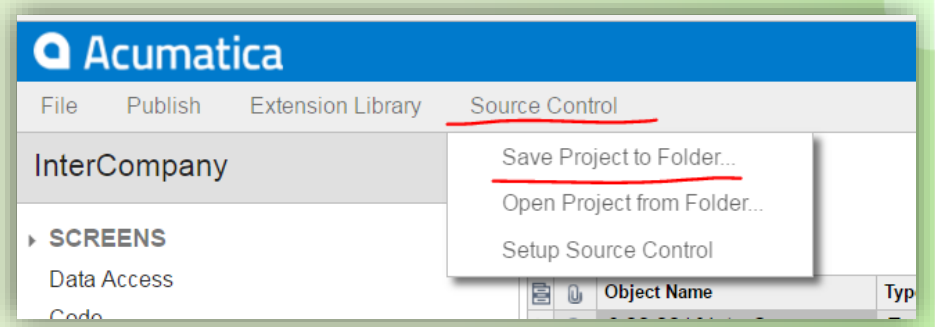
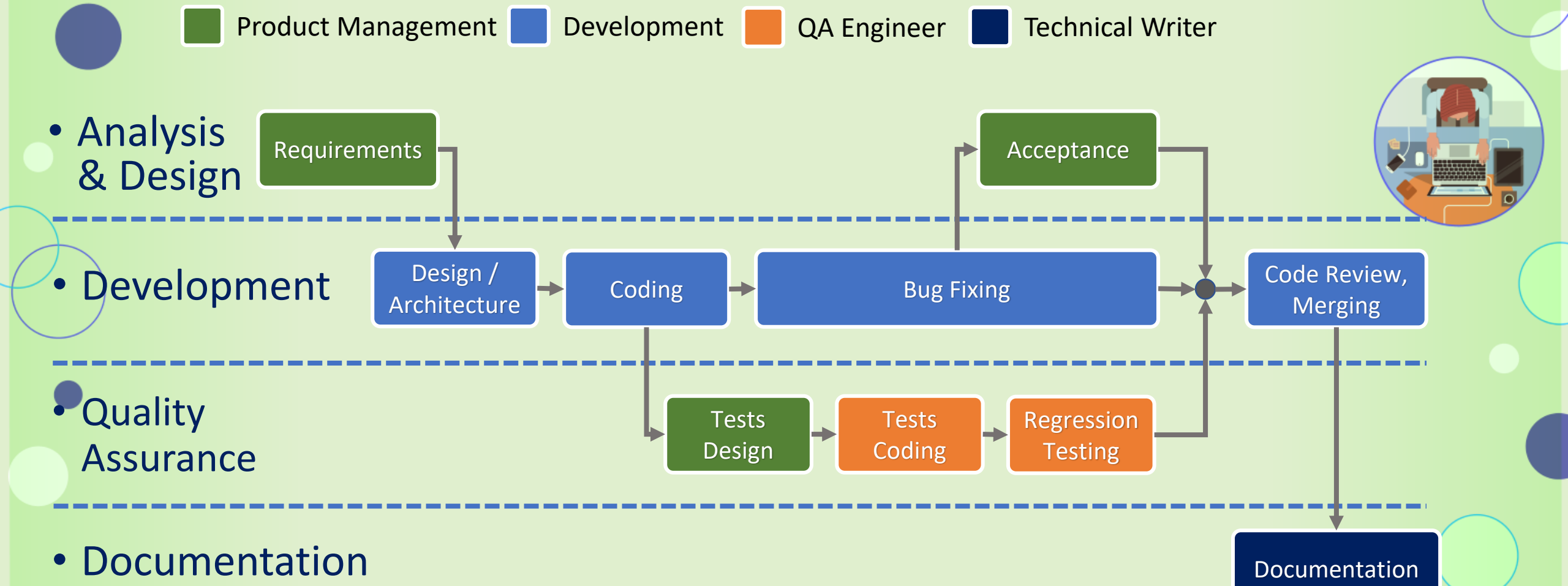
Team Development – Example

- Setup Local Environment
  - Download project from Source Control
  - Install Acumatica into the Predefined place
  - Compile local DLL project
  - Create Customization project in Acumatica
  - Open project using Source Control
- Do Development
- Commit Changes
  - Save project changes to folder
  - Commit and Push changes in Source Control
- https://github.com/Acumatica/CustomizationBuildScript



Team Development – Lifecycle



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TEST FRAMEWORK

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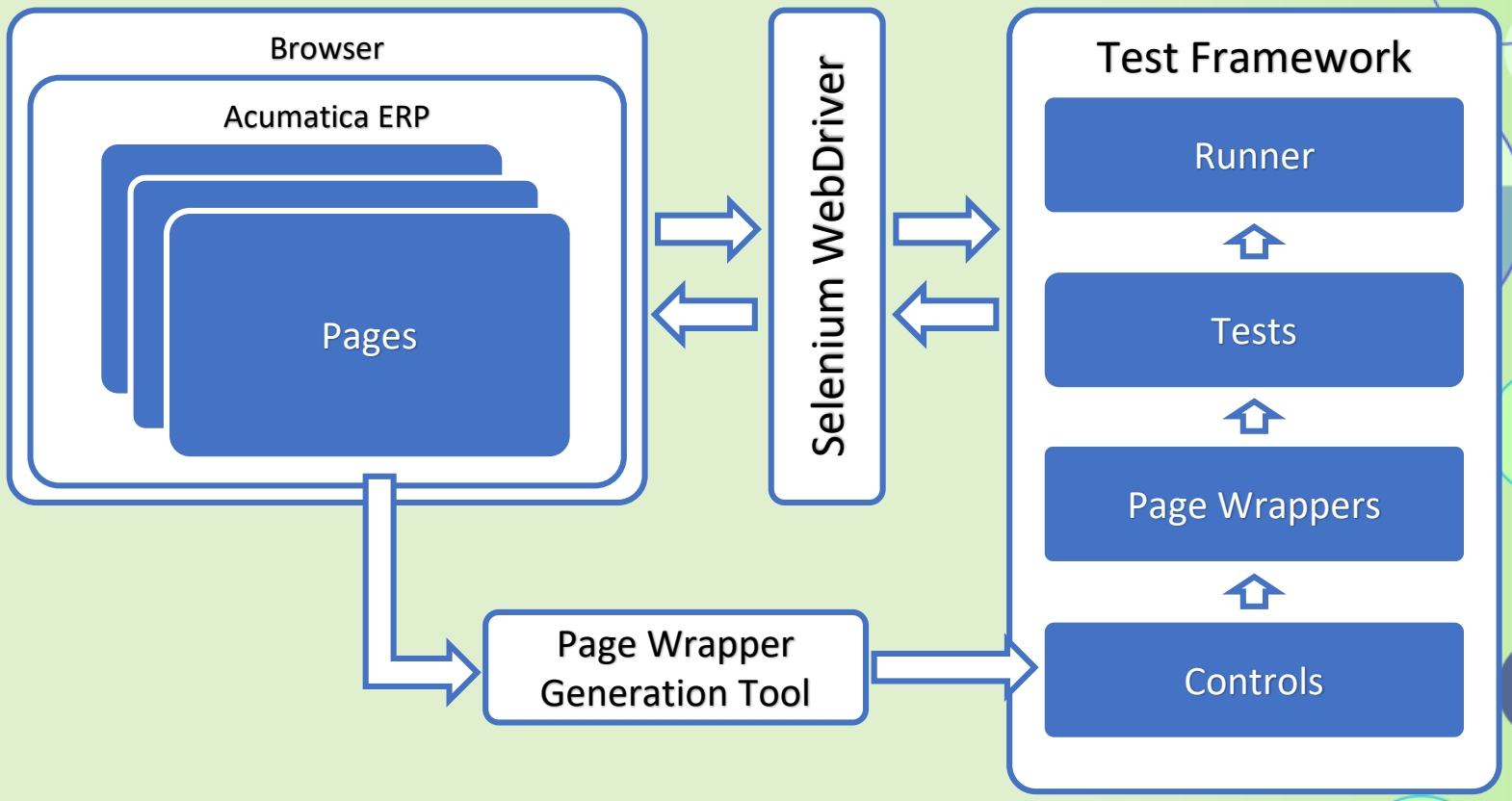
Test Framework

- Black Box Testing
  - Browser UI
  - Mobile UI
- Selenium Web Driver
- You own reusable regression test
- Test Results



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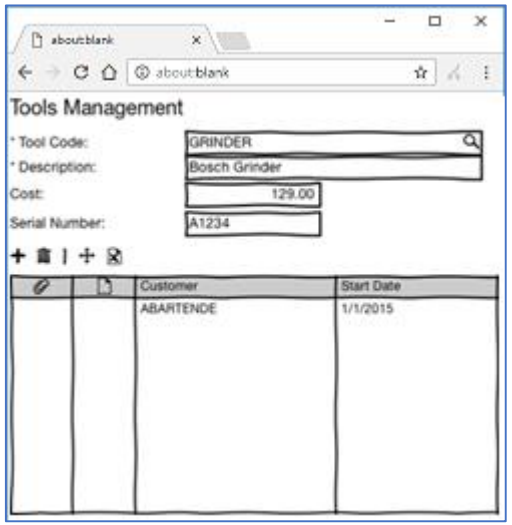
Test Framework – How does it work?



Browser

```
<div class="cell-pv">
 <div class="cell-w">
  <div class="fld-l fld-ls">
   <label for="ctl00_phF_form_edToolCD_text">Tool Code:</label>
  </div><div class="fld-c fld-cs">
  <div name="ctl00$phF$form$edToolCD"
   id="ctl00_phF_form_edToolCD" class="selector required size-s">
   <div class="controlCont">
    <div class="editorCont">
     <div class="editorWrap">
        <input name="ctl00$phF$form$edToolCD$text"
         type="text" tabindex="18105" class="editor"
         id="ctl00_phF_form_edToolCD_text“ />
     </div>
    </div>
   </div>
  </div>
 </div>
</div>
```

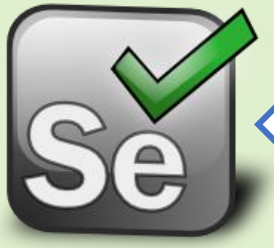
Page Wrapper Generator Tool

Code Generated

```
public class ToolManagement : Wrapper
{
  public summary_form form = new form("ctl00_phF_form");
  public class summary_form : Container
  {
    public Selector ToolCD { get; set; }
    public summary_form(string locator)
    {
      …
      ToolCD = new Selector(
       "ctl00_phF_form_edToolCD_text",
       “Tool Code", locator, null);
      ToolCD.DataField = “ToolCD";
}
  }
  public virtual void Save() { … }
}
```

User Interface

Browser API



"ctl00_phF_form_edToolCD_text"

Test Scenario

```
public class MyTestGLBob : Check
{
  public override void Execute()
  {
    var toolsForm = new ToolManagement();
    form.OpenScreen();

    form.Summary.ToolCD.Type("ABC");
    form.Summary.Description.Type("My new tool");
    form.Save();
  }
}
```

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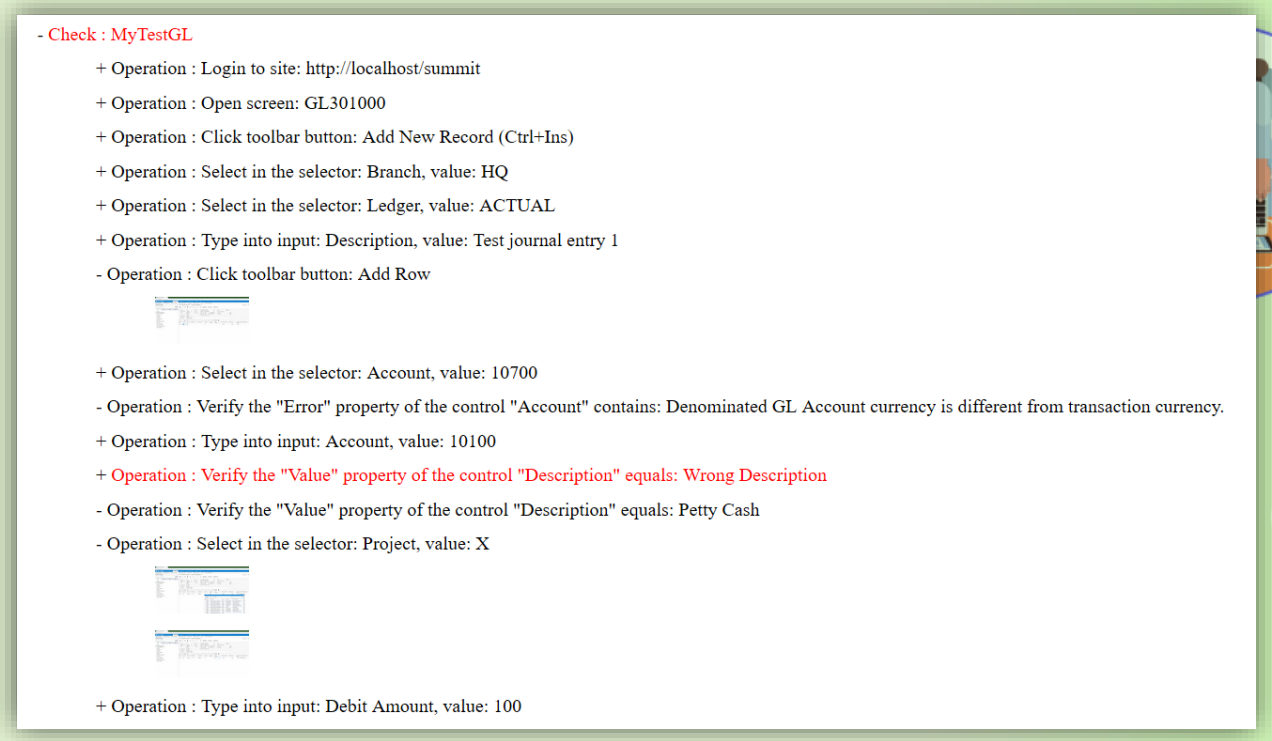
Test Framework – Example

- Get Test Framework
  - http://builds.Acumatica.com
  - Check “SDK - README.pdf”
- Generate Wrappers
- Write Own Test
- Run Test
- Collect Results



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CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION

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Continuous Integration – Part 1

- Automate Acumatica Wizard Installation
  - msiexec.exe /i /a /qn “AcumaticaERPInstall.msi"
- Automate Acumatica Instance Deployment
  - ac.exe -cm:"NewInstance" -s:"<*SqlSrv*>" -d:"AcuInst" -i:"AcuInst" -h:"<Path>" -w:"Default Web Site" -v:"AcumaticaERP" -po:"DefaultAppPool“
- Getting Repository
  - $ git clone https://github.com/Acumatica/CustomizationBuildScript.git
- Automate Compilation
  - MSBuild Cust.sln /property:Configuration=Release /t:Rebuild

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Continuous Integration – Part 2

- Automate Build of Customization Project
  - PX.CommandLine.exe /method BuildProject /website "<AcumaticaSitePath>" /in "<CustProjectSources>" /out "Cust.zip"
- Automate Customization Publication
  - https://<instance>/api/servicegate.asmx
    - acu.UploadPackage("Cust", File.ReadAllBytes("Cust.zip"), true);
    - acu.PublishPackages(new string[] { "Cust" }, false);
- Automate Tests Launch
  - ClassGenerator.exe
  - MyTest.exe /config "example.xml"

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DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS

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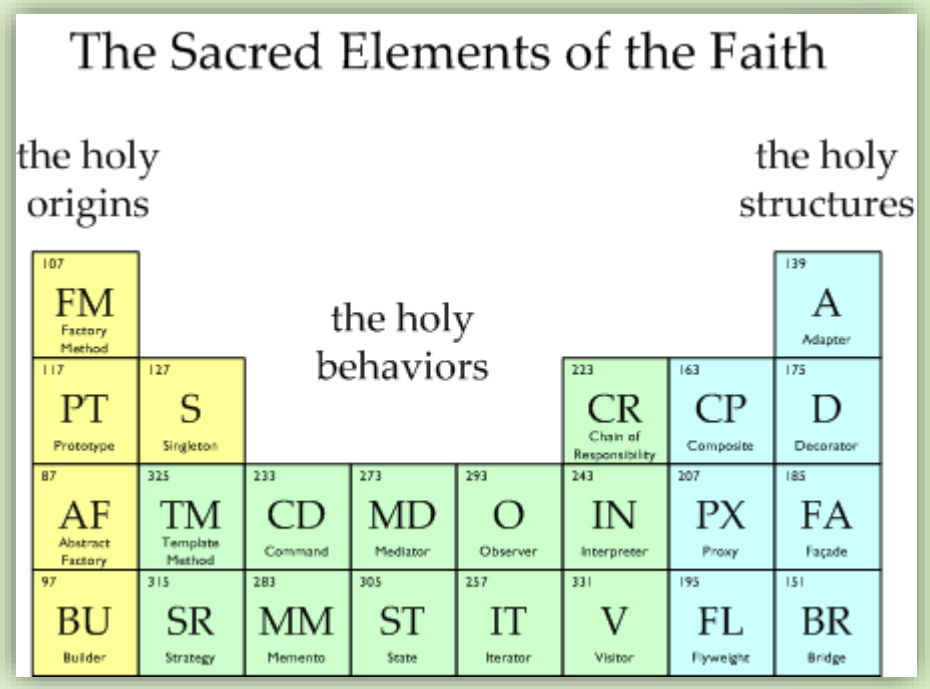
Development Patterns

Patterns - Reusable solution to a commonly occurring problems

Structure:

- Problem Statement
- Resolution



Totals Calculation for Inquiry

Development Patterns

Totals Calculation for Inquiry - Problem

It is not really good idea to iterate thought all records if you need to get a total of records selected, as you have to ignore paging and have to select all records from DB.

```
public PXFilter<InquiryFilter> Filter;
public PXSelect<Batch> Records;
public IEnumerable records()
{
    decimal docsTotal = 0m;
    foreach(Batch row in Records.Select())
    {
        docsTotal += res.ControlTotal;
        yield return row;
    }
    //...
}
```

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Totals Calculation for Inquiry - Solution

Calculate totals in separate select with aggregation and than select records with paging as usual.

```
public PXFilter<InquiryFilter> Filter;
public PXSelect<Batch> Records;
public IEnumerable filter()
{
    Batch row = PXSelect<Batch,
        Aggregate<GroupBy<Batch.batchType,
        Sum<Batch.controlTotal>>>>.Select();
    decimal docsTotal = row.ControlTotal;
    //...
}
```

Attributes Duplication

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Attribute Duplication - Problem

- Common fields need to duplicate attributes in all DACs.

```
public class ARInvoice : IBqlTable
{
      [PXDBInt()]
      [PXUIField(DisplayName = "Customer")]
      [PXDefault()]
      [PXSelector(typeof(Search<BAccountR.bAccountID,
            Where<BAccountR.status, Equal<BAccount.status.active>>>))]
      public override Int32? CustomerID
}
public class SOOrder : IBqlTable
{
      [PXDBInt()]
      [PXUIField(DisplayName = "Customer")]
      [PXDefault()]
      [PXSelector(typeof(Search<BAccountR.bAccountID,
            Where<BAccountR.status, Equal<BAccount.status.active>>>))]
      public override Int32? CustomerID
}
```

Attribute Duplication - Solution

- Usage of PXAggregate Attribute to combine common attributes in one.

```
[PXDBInt()]
[PXUIField(DisplayName = "Customer")]
[PXDefault()]
[PXSelector(typeof(Search<BAccountR.bAccountID,
    Where<BAccountR.status, Equal<BAccount.status.active>>>))]
public class CustomerActiveAttribute : PXAggregateAttribute { }

public class ARInvoice : IBqlTable
{
    [CustomerActive]
    public override Int32? CustomerID { get; set;}
}
```

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Multiple Calls of DataView Delegate

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Multiple Calls of DataView Delegate - Problem

- If you work with virtual DAC that is constructed in DataView you may need to construct it multiple times as DataView delegate can be called multiple times. That affects performance

```
public PXSelect<BigVirtualDAC> Records;
public IEnumerable records()
{
    BigVirtualDAC row = new BigVirtualDAC();
    yield return row;
}
```

Multiple Calls of DataView Delegate - Solution

Cache.Insert() will help you to store constructed records between calls. Records will be stored in the session.

```
public PXSelect<BigVirtualDAC > Records;
public IEnumerable records()
{
	Boolean anyfound = false;
	foreach(BigVirtualDAC row in OpenDocuments.Cache.Inserted)
	{
		anyfound = true;
		yield return row;
	}

	if (!anyfound)
	{
		BigVirtualDAC row = new BigVirtualDAC();
		row = Records.Insert(row);

		yield return row;
	}
}
```

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Passing Parameters to Processing Method

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Passing Parameters to Processing Method - Problem

Anonymous delegate can help you to pass additional parameters into the processing delegate.

Please note that you can pass there only local variables to eliminate reference to graph. Otherwise you will have synchronous processing

```
public PXFilteredProcessing<ARRegister, Filter> ProcessingView

public ProcessingGraph()
{
     ProcessingView.SetProcessDelegate(ProcessDocuments);
}

public static void ProcessDocuments(List<ARRegister> documents)
{
}
```

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Passing Parameters to Processing Method - Problem

Cache.Insert() will help you to store constructed records between calls. Records will be stored in the session.

Can do the same on RowSelected event instead of constructor.

```
public PXFilteredProcessing<ARRegister, Filter> ProcessingView
public ProcessingGraph()
{
      Filter filter = FilterView.Current;
      DetailsView.SetProcessDelegate(delegate (List<ARRegister> documents)
      {
            ProcessDocuments(filter, documents);
      });
}

public static void ProcessDocuments(Filter filter, List<ARRegister> documents)
{
}
```

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Dynamic BQL

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Dynamic BQL - Problem

Construction of BQL Generics Dynamically is complicated. Even with Compose method is hardly readable and not easy to use.

```
Type bql = BqlCommand.Compose(
    typeof(Search<,>), typeof(INUnit.fromUnit),
        typeof(Where<,,>), typeof(INUnit.unitType),
            typeof(Equal<INUnitType.global>),
    typeof(And<,>), typeof(INUnit.toUnit),
        typeof(Current<>), BaseUnitType);

var selectorAttribute = new PXSelectorAttribute(bql);
```

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Dynamic BQL - Solution

- Usage of BQL Templates to easily replace placeholder part with sub BQL query.
- BqlTemplate<>.ToType() is also supported

```
BqlCommand command = BqlTemplate<Search<INUnit.fromUnit,
        Where<INUnit.unitType, Equal<INUnitType.global>,
            And<INUnit.toUnit,
                Equal<Current<BqlPlaceholder1>>>>>>
    .Replace<BqlPlaceholder1>(BaseUnitType).ToCommand();

PXView view = new PXView(this, true, command);
```

Reusable Business Objects

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Reusable Business Objects - Problem

It is a nightmare when you have complex business logic that involves multiple tables and you need to use it across of the multiple screens.

Options:

- Use Attributes to share logic (Multi-Currency Attribute, TaxAttribute)
- Use PXSelect to embed logic there (ApprovalAutomation, LSSelect)
- Copy Duplication

Issues: ~~not possible~~ complicated to reuse it, support it.

Reusable Business Objects - Solution

Mapped Objects

```
public class Document
    : PXMappedCacheExtension
{
    BranchID
    BAccountID
    CuryID
    CuryInfoID
    DocumentDate
}
```

```
public class Detail : PXMappedCacheExtension
{
    #region InventoryID
    public abstract class inventoryID
        : IBqlField { }
    public virtual Int32? InventoryID
        { get; set; }
    #endregion
    …
}
```

SalesPriceGraph - PXGraphExtension

```
public abstract class SalesPriceGraph<TGraph, TPrimary> : PXGraphExtension<TGraph>
          where TGraph : PXGraph
          where TPrimary : class, IBqlTable, new()
{
    public PXSelectExtension<Document> Documents;
    public PXSelectExtension<Detail> Details;

    protected abstract DocumentMapping GetDocumentMapping();
    protected abstract DetailMapping GetDetailMapping();

    protected virtual void _(Events.FieldUpdated<Detail, Detail.inventoryID> e) { }
}
```

Mapping

Implement

OpportunityMaint - PXGraph

```
public class OpportunityMaint   : PXGrapt<OpportunityMaint>
{
    public PXSelect<CROpportunity> Opportunity;
    public PXSelect<CROpportunityProducts> Products;
}
```

SalesPriceGraph<OpportunityMaint, CROpportunity>

```
class SalesPrice : SalesPriceGraph<OpportunityMaint, CROpportunity>
{
  protected override DocumentMapping GetDocumentMapping()
  {
    return new DocumentMapping(typeof(CROpportunity))
    {
      BranchID = typeof(CROpportunity.branchID),
      BAccountID = typeof(CROpportunity.bAccountID)
      CuryInfoID = typeof(CROpportunity.curyInfoID)
    };
  }
  protected override DetailMapping GetDetailMapping()
  {
    return new DetailMapping(typeof(CROpportunityProducts))
    { …  };
  }
}
```

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Reusable Business Objects - Solution

- Better 1 time to see that 100 to hear:
- Examples:
  - ContactAddress
  - Discount
  - MultiCurrency
  - SalesPrice
  - SalesTax

Products Wholesale ▾ Source Code ★

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Find Text: SalesPriceGraph FIND

Name	Line	Content
PX.Objects\AR\ARInvoiceEntry.cs	5459	//public class SalesPrice : SalesPriceGraph<ARInvoiceEntry, ARInvoice>
PX.Objects\CR\OpportunityMaint.cs	2789	public class SalesPrice : SalesPriceGraph<OpportunityMaint, CROpportunity>
PX.Objects\CR\QuoteMaint.cs	1575	public class SalesPrice : SalesPriceGraph<QuoteMaint, CRQuote>
PX.Objects\Extensions\SalesPrice\SalesPriceGraph.cs	18	public abstract class SalesPriceGraph<TGraph, TPrimary> : PXGraphExtension<TGraph>

```
public abstract class SalesPriceGraph<TGraph, TPrimary> : PXGraphExtension<TGraph>
        where TGraph : PXGraph
        where TPrimary : class, IBqlTable, new()
{

    /// <summary>A class that defines the default mapping of the <see cref="Document" /> mapped cache extension to a DAC.</summary>
    protected class DocumentMapping : IBqlMapping
    {
        /// <exclude />
        protected Type _extension = typeof(Document);
        /// <exclude />
        public Type Extension => _extension;

        /// <exclude />
        protected Type _table;
        /// <exclude />
        public Type Table => _table;

        /// <summary>Creates the default mapping of the <see cref="Document" /> mapped cache extension to the specified table.</summary>
        /// <param name="table">A DAC.</param>
        public DocumentMapping(Type table)
```

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Generic Event Declaration

New Events Declaration is Available:

```
protected virtual void _(Events.FieldUpdated<DAC, DAC.field> e) {}
protected virtual void _(Events.FieldDefaulting<DAC, DAC.field> e) {}
protected virtual void _(Events.RowUpdated<DAC> e) {}
protected virtual void _(Events.RowSelected<DAC> e) {}
protected void FinPeriod(Events.CacheAttached<Batch.finPeriodID> e) {}
```

With new events no more mistakes in names

And you don’t need to cast DACs anymore

```
PXCache cache = e.Cache;
DAC row = e.Row;
```

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Generic Event Declaration

Notes:

- Both new and old events can (but shouldn't) be used simultaneously.
- Events are collected from the class in the declaration sequence.
  - New *ed events will be fired in original order (ascending)
  - New *ing events will be fired in reverse order (descending)

Limitations:

- CacheAttached events should have different names
- Override event approach with 2 parameters isn't yet supported

```
protected void _(Events.RowInserting<Batch> e, PXRowInserting baseHandler)
```

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Further Presentations, More Patterns

- Code Patterns
  - Extract common logic from Graph and reuse it with Attributes and DataView
  - Usage of Events and Data References to pass additional information.
  - Dynamically subscribe for events
  - Pass Type parameters into attributes constructor to eliminate DAC dependency
  - IBqlUnary predicates
  - Declarative Referential Integrity Check
  - Signal R subscription from JavaScript
- Architecture Patterns
  - Virtual action declaration with Automation steps and pass parameters to code.
  - Design for records postprocessing
  - Processing of multiple records, Parallel Processing
- Unit Tests (including Reusable Business Objects)
- Logging in Acumatica.

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SUMMARY

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Acumatica Platform -Summary

Business Application

Platform

Technology / Environment / Framework / User Interface

- **Code Standardization –** it is easier to support standardized code by any developer who knows it
- **Speedup Development –** with high level primitives and tools
- **Protect form Technology changes –** platform hides underlaying technology and allows to change it without touching business logic code.
- **Share Tools –** involve all other companies to build new world together

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