TIDY FIRST?

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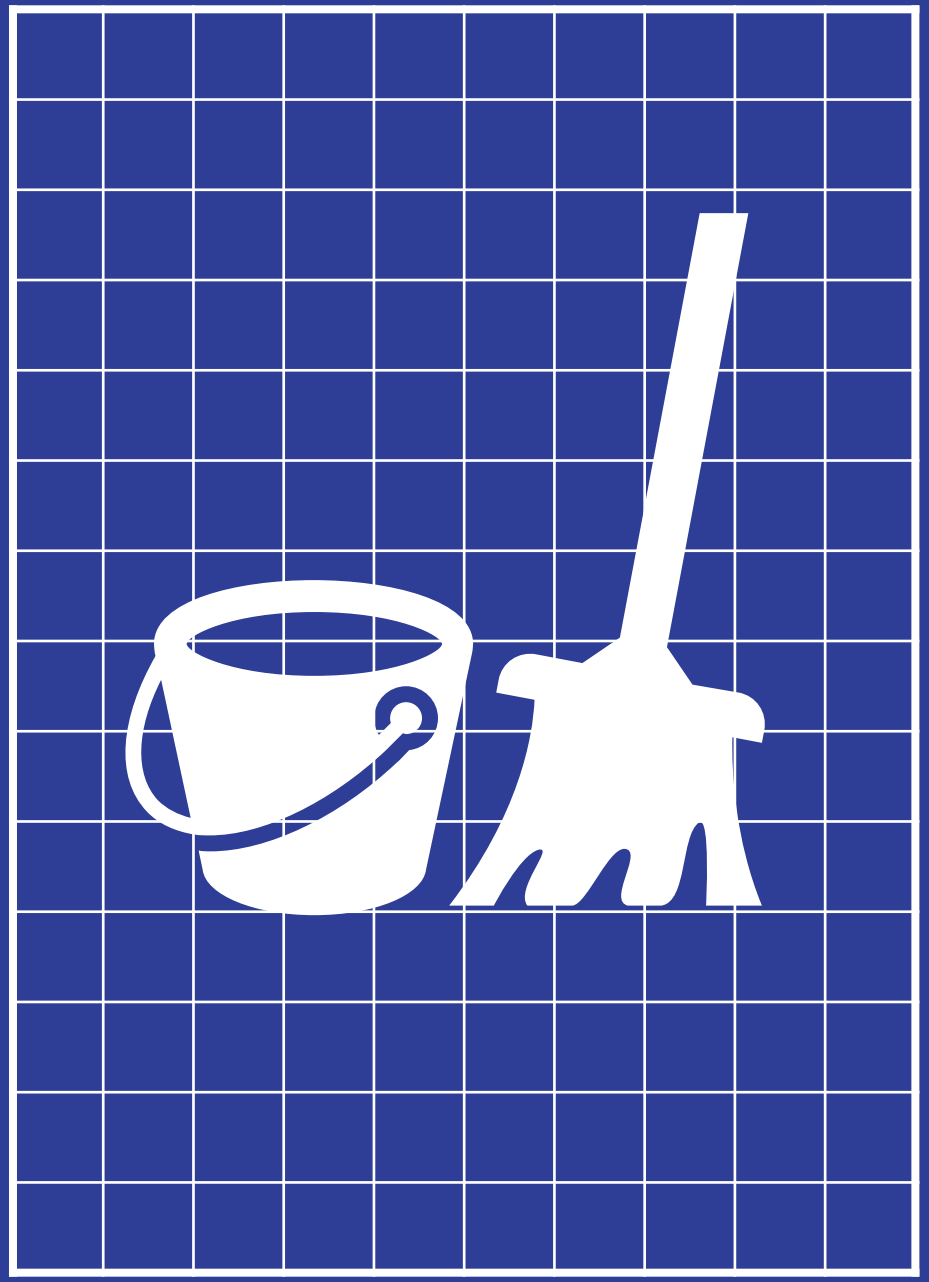

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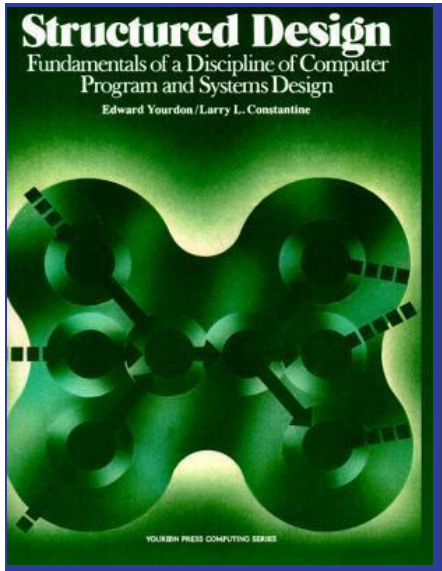

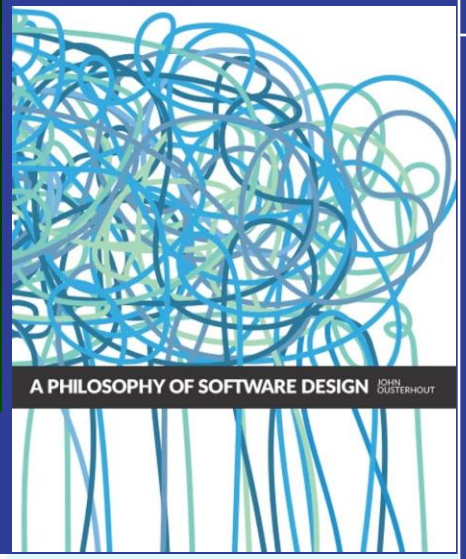

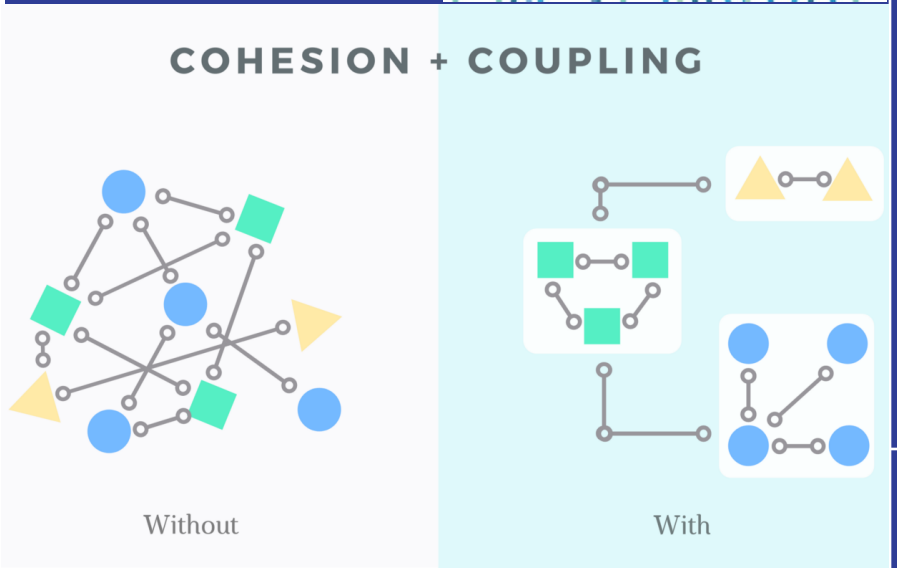

MOTIVATION

Modernized version of
"Structured Design"
by *Edward Yourdon*
Larry L.. Constantine

Redefinition of important concepts
Cohesion, coupling, ...

Practical viewpoint of
"A Philosophy of Software Design"
by *John Osterhout*

KENT BECK

CONTRIBUTIONS

XP
Extreme Programming

Creator of
EXTREME PROGRAMMING

Original signatory of
AGILE MANIFESTO

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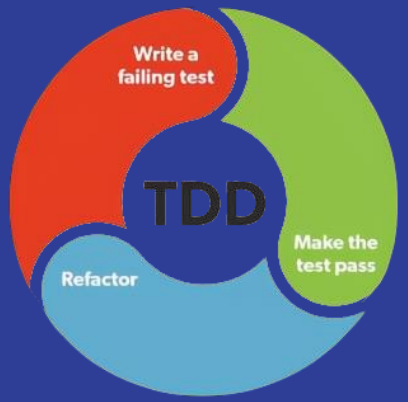

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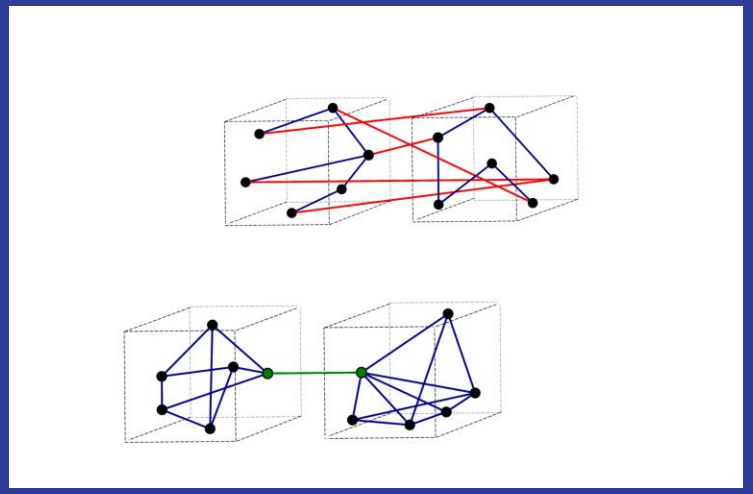
MAIN CONCEPTS

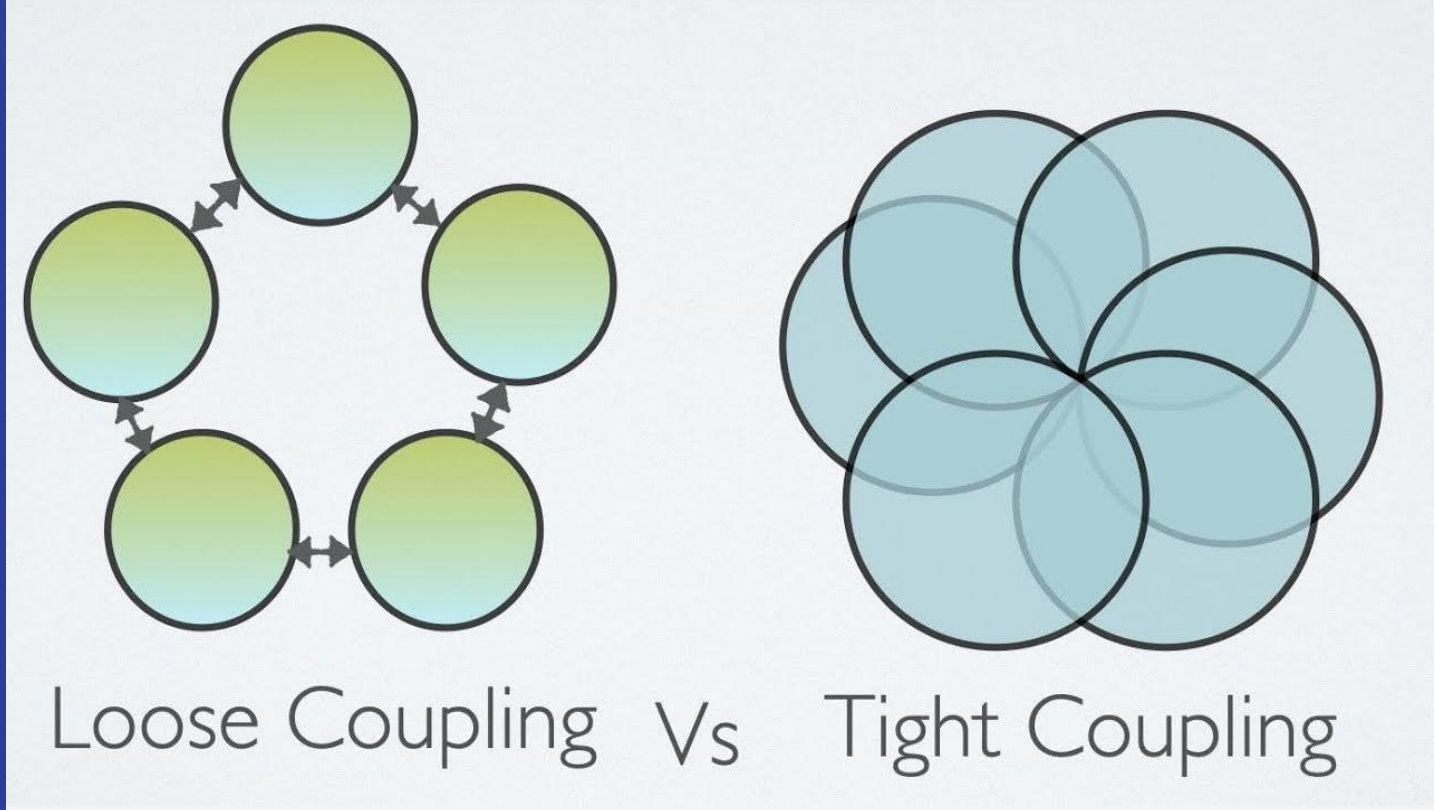
Three main concepts of the book:

COUPLING | **COHESION** | **TIDYING**



Beck will write a book for each concept.
"Tidy first?" is the first one because tidying is the smallest skill of design, so the readers can practise with it first.

COUPLING



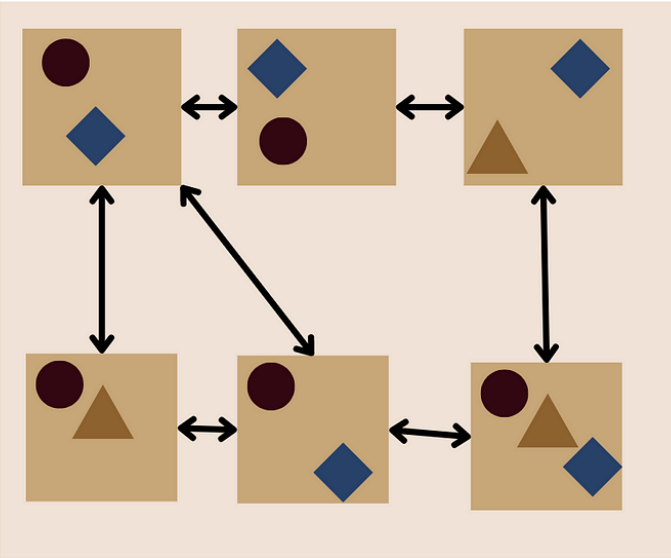
Elements are coupled when changing one of the elements implies changing the other one.

This is **coupling with respect to a change**.

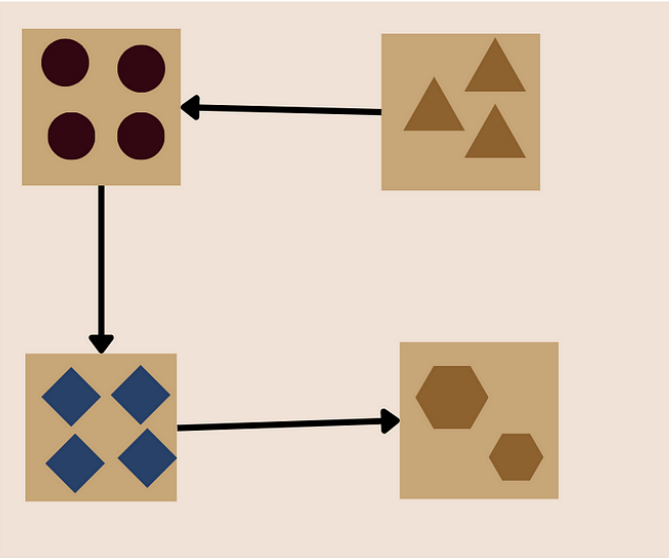
Example: a function calling another is coupled with respect to changes of the name.

It is important to have **low coupling**.

COHESION



Low cohesion and high coupling



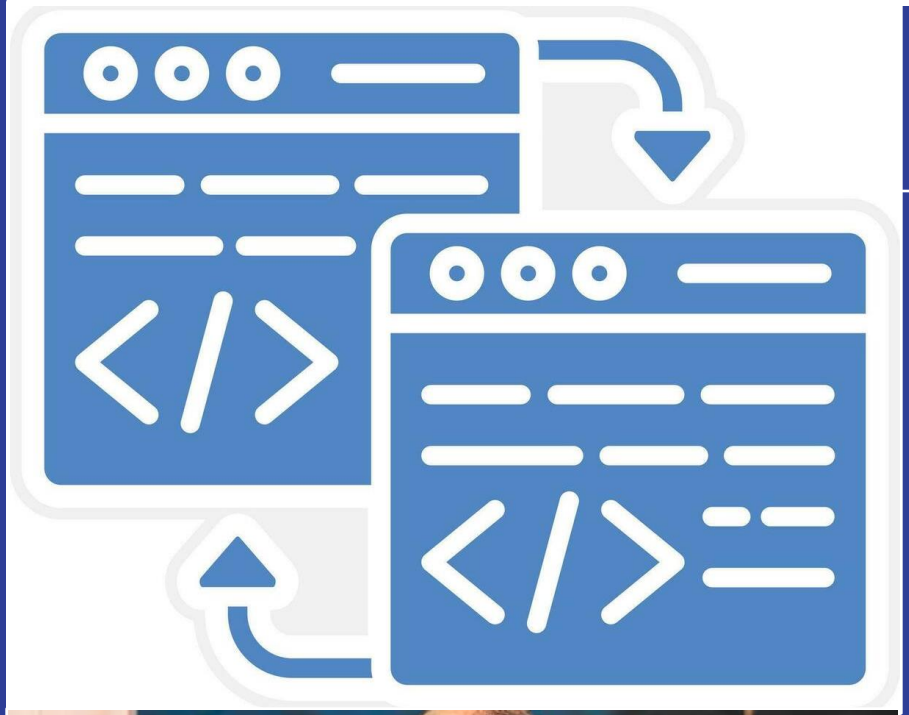
High Cohesion and low Coupling

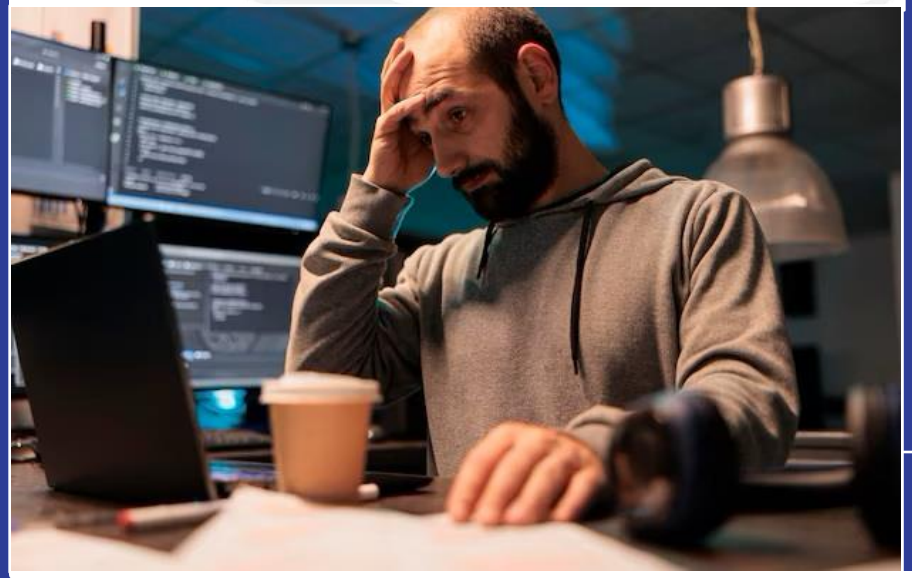
Cohesion is about keeping all the coupling together into an element. An element is cohesive if its internal elements are **coupled between them**.

Example: a file is cohesive when changing one of its functions implies changing all the other functions of the file.

The intention is to keep all the related functionality together.

It is important to have **high cohesion**.





TIDYING

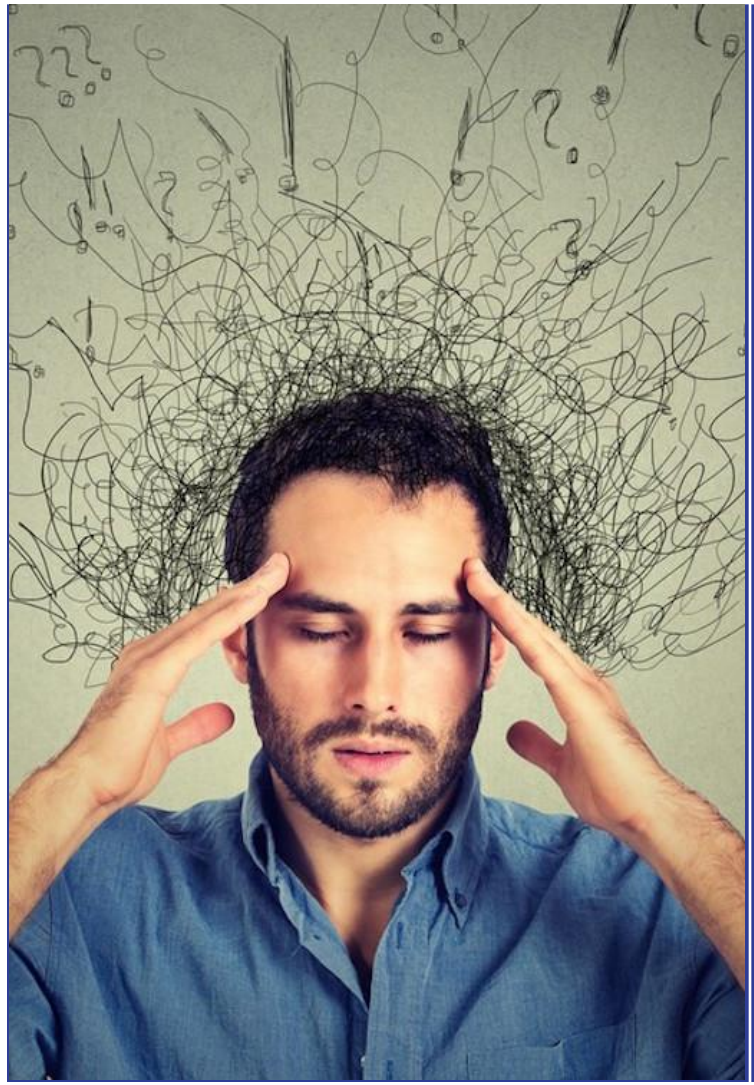
Very common situation for programmers.

I have to make changes in a **messy code**, should I tidy first?

Tidings are **simple changes**, such as changing the name of a function so it is easier to understand.

Tidings are structural changes, they **do not change behaviour**.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF TYPE 1 & 2 DECISIONS



KEY ASPECTS

Easy
vs
Difficult to revert

Think thoughtfully
vs
just take them

Impacts?

TIDY FIRST?

STRUCTURAL *VS* BEHAVIOURAL CHANGES

MAIN ISSUES

What is the aim of these changes?

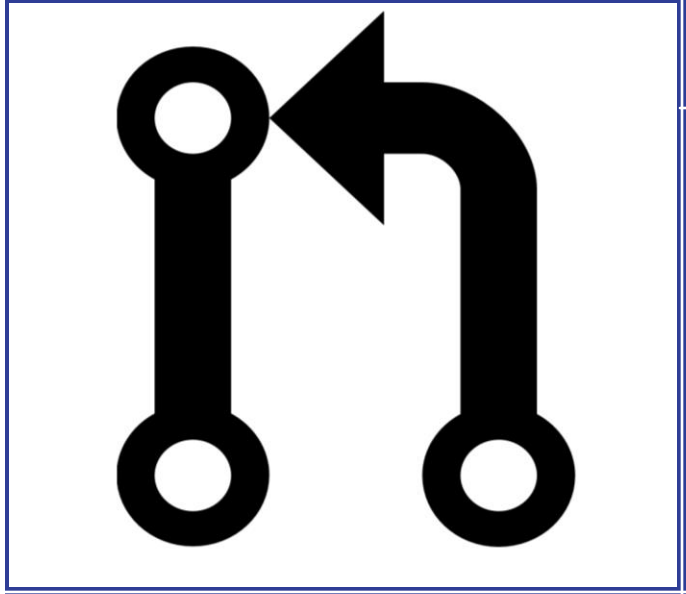
- Organization and clarity against functionality

Are they reversible? Implications of reversibility?

- Mostly reversible *vs* irreversible
  - Relationship with Type 1 & 2 decisions

Do them together?

- **NEVER**
  - High risk of mistakes, reduced team confidence and increased team anxiety



OPTIONS TO HANDLE STRUCTURAL AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGES IN PRs

Option 1
Separate **different type of changes in different pull** requests

Option 2
Separate **different type of changes in different commits** within a pull request

What if I have mixed them?

Option 1. Discard it and redo it applying the previous recommendations
Option 2. Discard it and redo it so it can be explained as a direct path from A to B

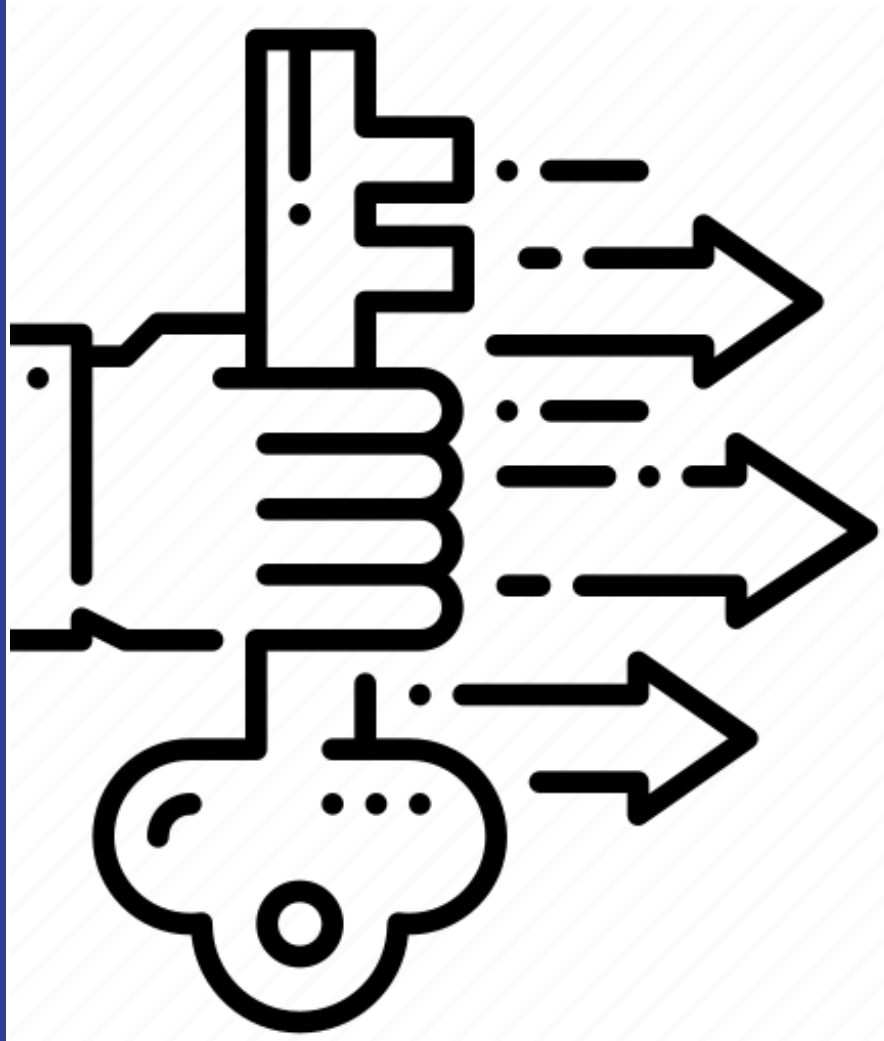
THE BIG QUESTION **TIDY FIRST?**

WHEN & HOW TO USE TIDYINGS IN OUR CODE?

Which **KEY FACTORS** influence the yes or no decision of tidying our code?

Which **GUIDELINES** can we follow to choose wisely when (not) to tidy our code?

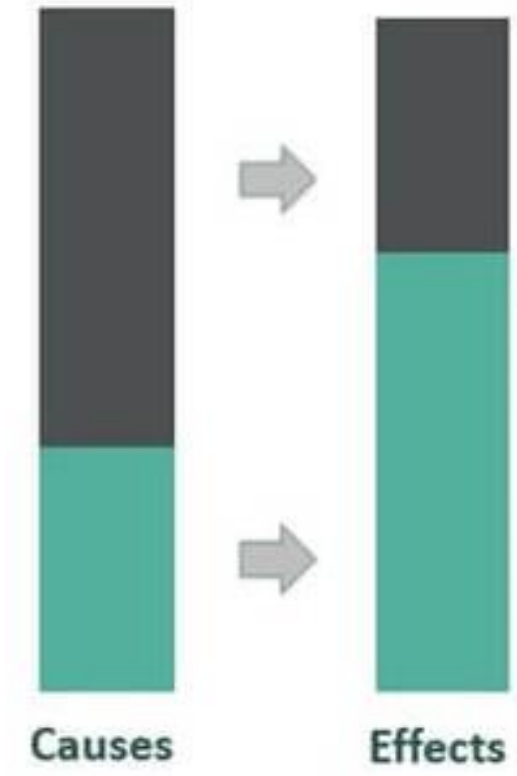
Which **STRATEGY** to follow for knowing how to tidy our code the best way?



THE KEY FACTORS

- **Cost and Benefit Analysis:** Evaluate if tidying now saves future maintenance or not
- **Coupling and Cohesion:** Consider the impact on coupling (*dependencies between code elements*) and cohesion (*how closely related functionalities are grouped*).
- **Economic Forces:** Prioritize feature delivery over code cleanliness in early product stages.

THE GUIDELINES



Short Term Benefit

VS

Long Term Impact

Cost-Effective Tidying

VS

Over-Tidying

Proximity to Changes

"Pareto's principle"

THE STRATEGY

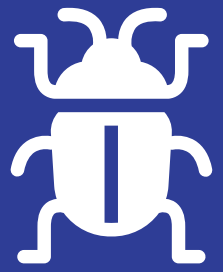
Lesson 1.
Separation of Changes

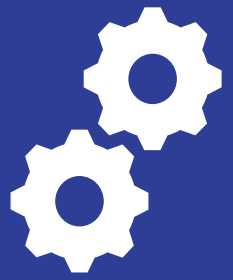
Lesson 2.
Tiny, Incremental Changes

Lesson 3.
Avoid Mixed Changes

Lesson 4.
Compound Effects

Lesson 5.
Automate Tidyings





GLOSSARY

POWER LAWS
"80% of the changes in 20% of the code" – Pareto

EMPIRICAL SOFTWARE DESIGN
Shaping design on real-world data, not theory.

NET PRESENT VALUE (NPV)
Revenue early = MORE revenue later

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