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Phexample

Good examples expand on one
another

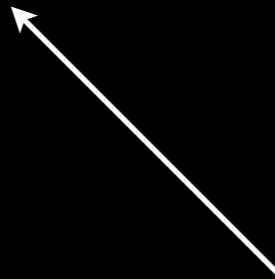
So should tests.

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testing framework

readable **syntax**

Stack isEmpty should be true.



This is real code!

JUnit:

```
assertEquals(  
    stack.isEmpty(),  
    true  
);
```

Phexample:

```
stack.isEmpty  
should be  
true
```

- Examples most useful when one example expands on the previous

Two examples of a stack that expand on one another:

First example: push on a stack

Empty stack: 

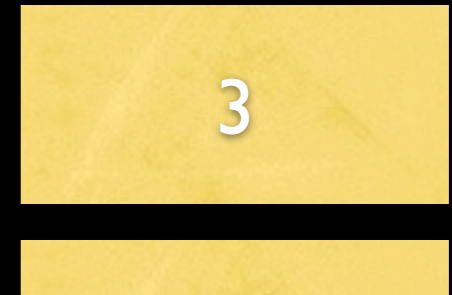
First example: push

```
StackExample>>shouldPush  
| stack |  
stack := Stack new
```



First example: push

Push a 3:



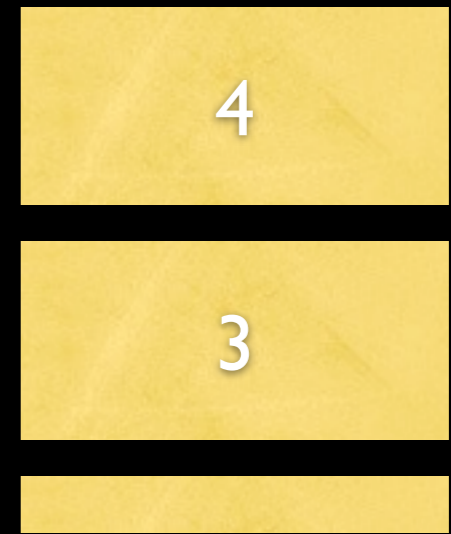
First example: push

```
StackExample>>shouldPush  
| stack |  
stack := Stack new.  
stack push: 3
```



First example: push

Push a 4:



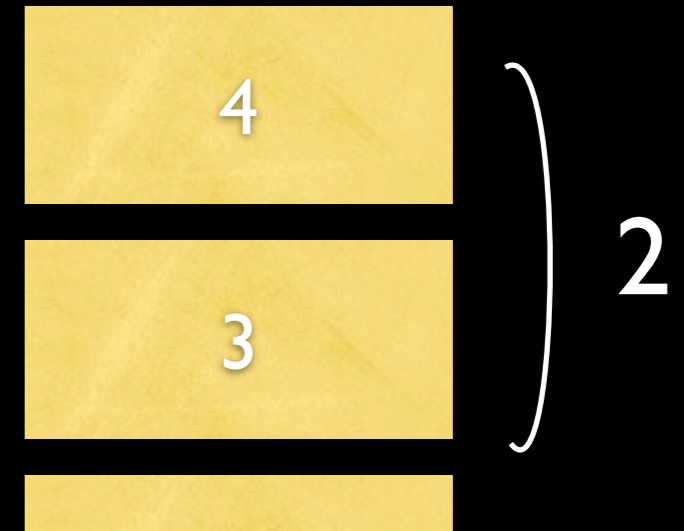
First example: push

```
StackExample>>shouldPush  
| Stack |  
stack := Stack new.  
stack push: 3; push: 4
```



First example: push

Now:



stack size should = 2

First example: push

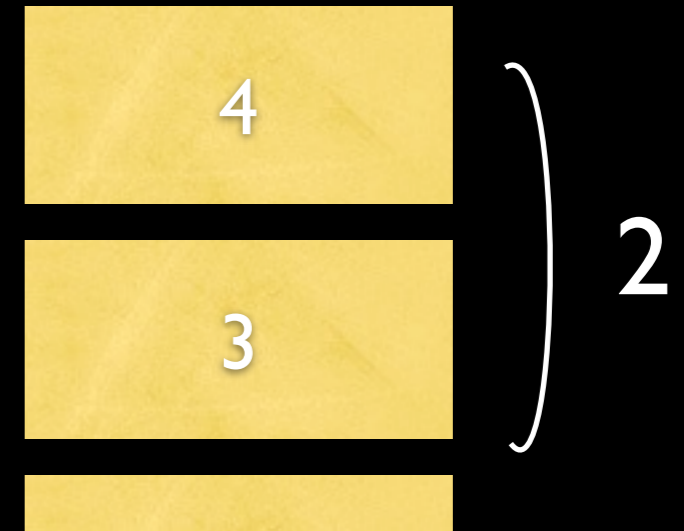
```
StackExample>>shouldPush
```

```
| stack |
```

```
stack := Stack new.
```

```
stack push: 3; push: 4.
```

```
stack size should = 2.
```



Make it expandable!

StackExample>>shouldPush

| stack |

stack := Stack new.

stack push: 3; push: 4.

stack size should = 2.

^ stack

Second example: pop

Start with the previous stack:



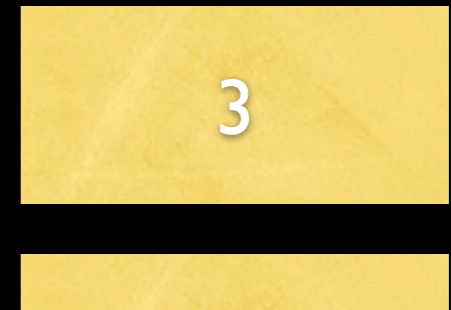
Second example: pop

```
StackExample>>shouldPop  
| stack |  
stack :=  
self given: #shouldPush
```



Second example: pop

Pop the 4:



Second example: pop

```
StackExample>>shouldPop  
| stack |  
stack :=  
  self given: #shouldPush.  
stack pop.
```



Second example: pop

Now:



stack size should = 1

Second example: pop

```
StackExample>>shouldPop
```

```
| stack |
```

```
stack :=
```

```
self given: #shouldPush.
```

```
stack pop.
```

```
stack size should = 1
```



Second example: pop

```
StackExample>>shouldPop
```

```
| stack |
```

```
stack :=
```

```
self given: #shouldPush.
```

```
stack pop.
```

```
stack size should = 1.
```

```
^ stack
```



What would you do in JUnit?

push test would be about the same


but POP would differ!

```
void testPop() {  
    Stack stack = new Stack();  
    stack.push(3); stack.push(4);  
    stack.pop();  
    assertEquals(stack.size(), 1);  
}
```

```
void testPop() {  
    Stack stack = new Stack();  
    stack.push(3); stack.push(4);  
    stack.pop();  
    assertEquals(stack.size(), 1);  
}
```

Weren't we testing **pop**?

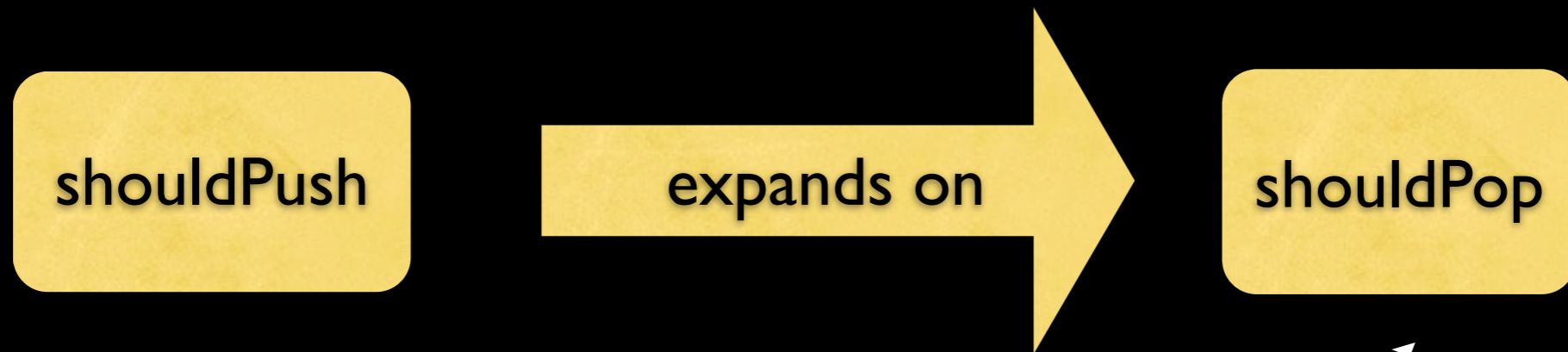
Can only pop if there is something



Don't start all over.
Improves concreteness.

Won brevity

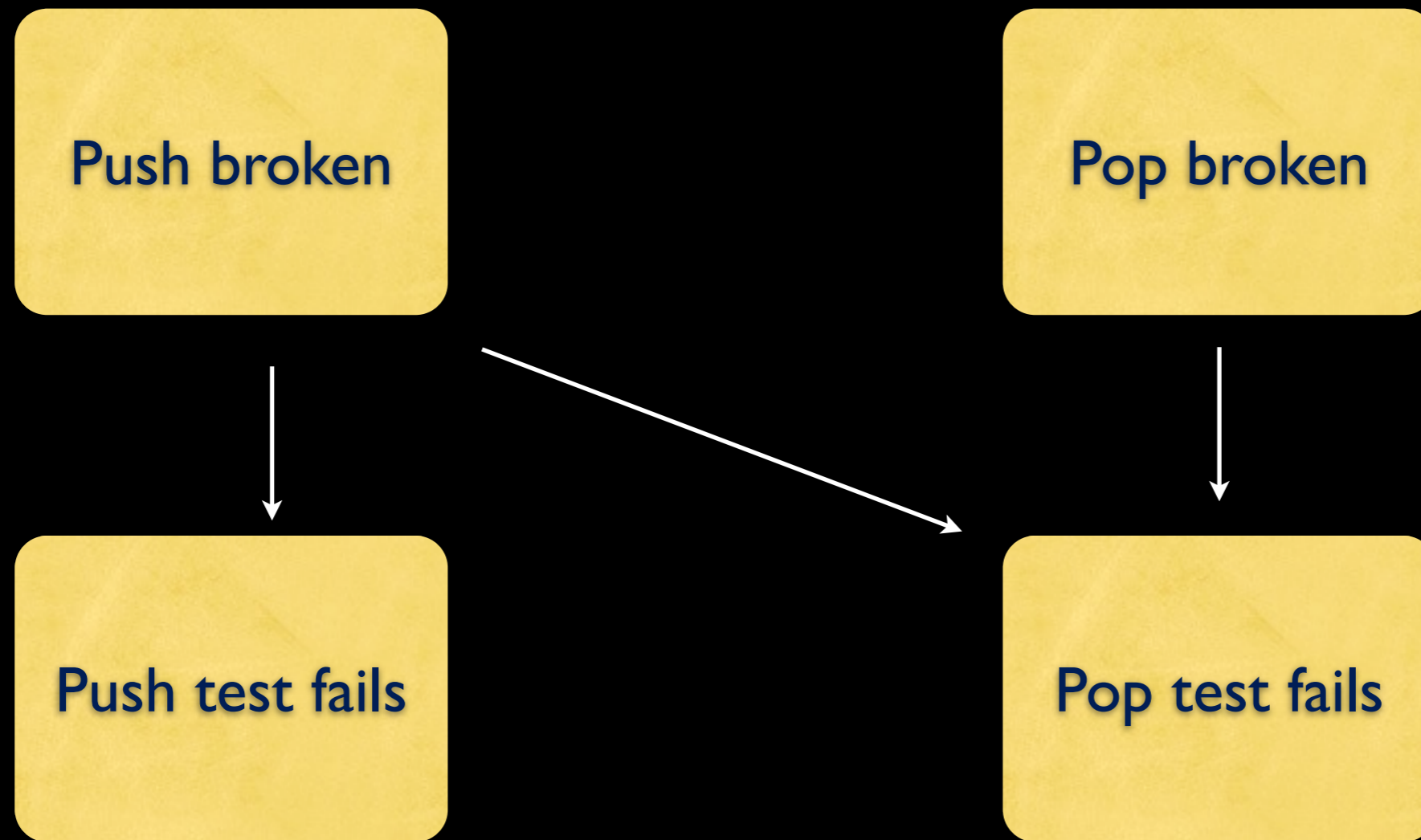




execute only if shouldPush works

Effect:

JUnit



Phexample

Push broken



Push test fails

Pop broken



Pop test fails

improved **locality**

Summary

good **syntax**

(almost like human language!)

improves **brevity**

(reduce tests to the interesting part)

good **locality**

(One bug leads to one failing examples!)

KTHXBYE



questions?

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