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BuDDy BDD Automation Platform

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Overview

A common language is the most obvious binding element in any society Michael Howard



To make the collaboration amidst Business Stakeholder, Business Analysts and Developers more effective, we propose an **automation platform** supporting the **adoption of the BDD practices** and paving the way to have a **common language** and avoid misunderstandings when defining and developing business requirements.

Main Goal



Writing in Natural Language

Often, requirements are misunderstood due to a lack of an expressive and accepted language between Business Analysts and Devs. Our solution is to allow Business Analysts to use a natural language to make requirements able to display the desired behaviour of a system, the so called practice of **behaviour-driven development**.









Every language in the World has its own dictionary. BuDDy implements specific dictionaries featuring business domains such as e-commerce and web portals. Dictionaries are **extensible** to make BuDDy usable on every business domain; further, they can be interpreted by an **inferential engine** capable of making quality checks completely automated.



Automating reviews

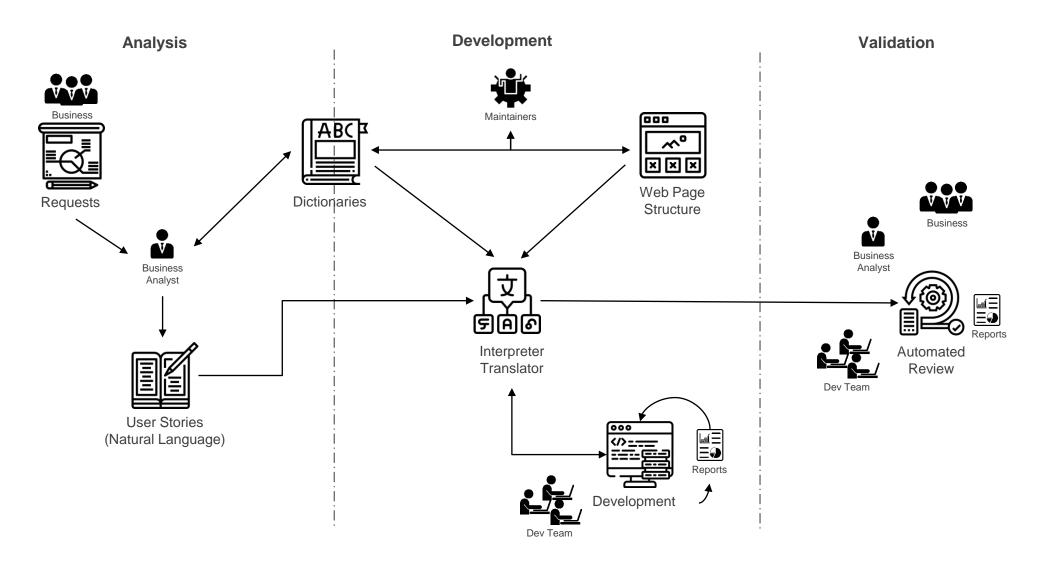
Starting from the well-known Requirements Management System (eg Jira), **BuDDy** paves the way towards **automated tests** interpreted by the inferential engine. Tests are done on the basis of the business behaviour expressed into the requirements by means of the dictionaries and then **reports** are produced for **continous improvement.**





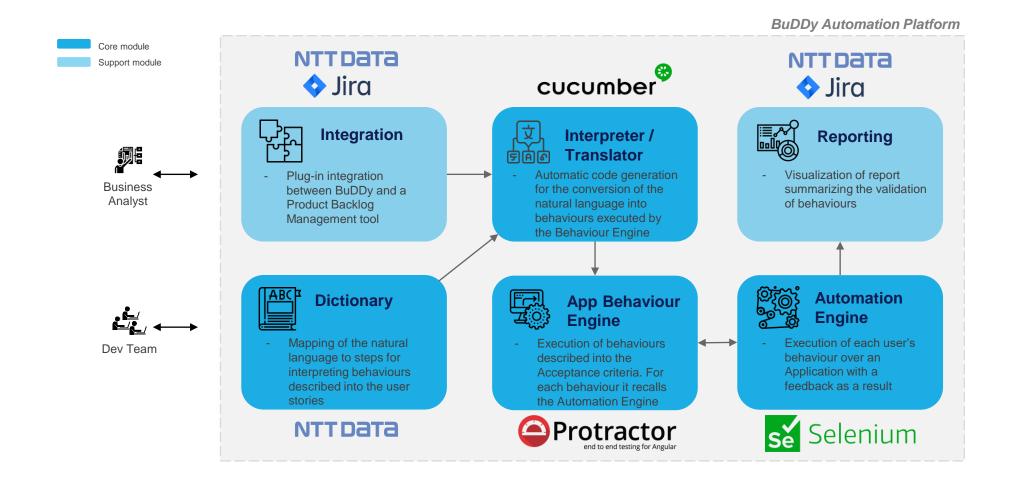
BuDDy

A complete journey from requirements to implementation and test



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Architecture and Submodules



Main Benefits on Delivery Process





Optimization of Dev Cycle due to a standardization of Agile Software Development Life Cycle stages



Saving time due to less effort spent in interpreting requirements





Increase of Quality due to the application of the BDD practices for the compliance of Acceptance Criteria



Increase customer satisfaction due to a higher transparency and an optimization of agreements between NTT DATA and Customers.

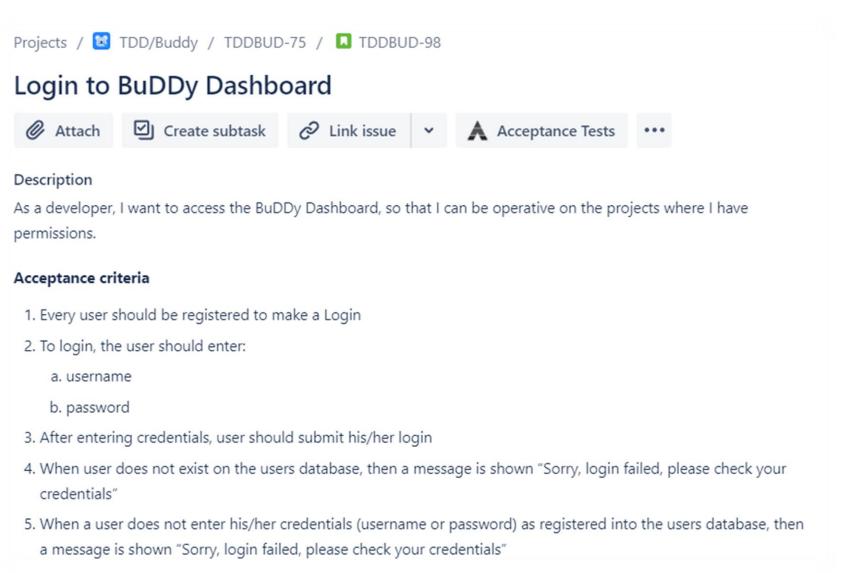


Saving costs due to less re-works

This is what we call "BuDDy Hello World"

A sample user story describing a typical login flow

Acceptance Criteria are written according to the "classic" rule-based paradigm







The "new way" of defining Acceptance

Criteria introduced by

BuDDy

Acceptance Criteria are written in "Gherkin" formal language

Acceptance Tests

- ▼ Feature: BuDDy Dashboard

add tag

```
Given I am on "BuDDyLoginPage" page
When I type "<username>" in "username"
And I type "<password>" in "password"
And I click "loginButton"
Then I should see the "wrongLogin"
```

Examples:

```
|username|password|
|mario.candela|passwordNotValid|
|usernameNotValid|rightPassword|
|usernameNotExisting|rightPassword|
```

∨ Scenario Outline: Login to BuDDy Dashboard

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Given I am on "LoginPage" page
When I type "<username>" in "username"
And I type "<password>" in "password"
And I click "loginButton"
Then I should not see the "wrongLogin"
Examples:
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username password

|mario.candela|rightPassword|





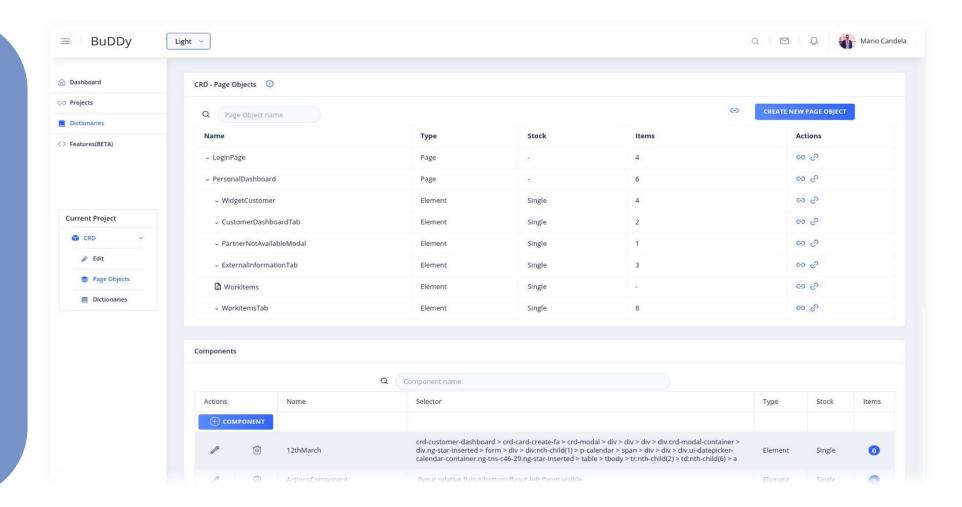


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BuDDy is able to translate the behaviour steps written by the Business Analyst

A user interface has been developed for supporting the definition of the structure of the applications pages



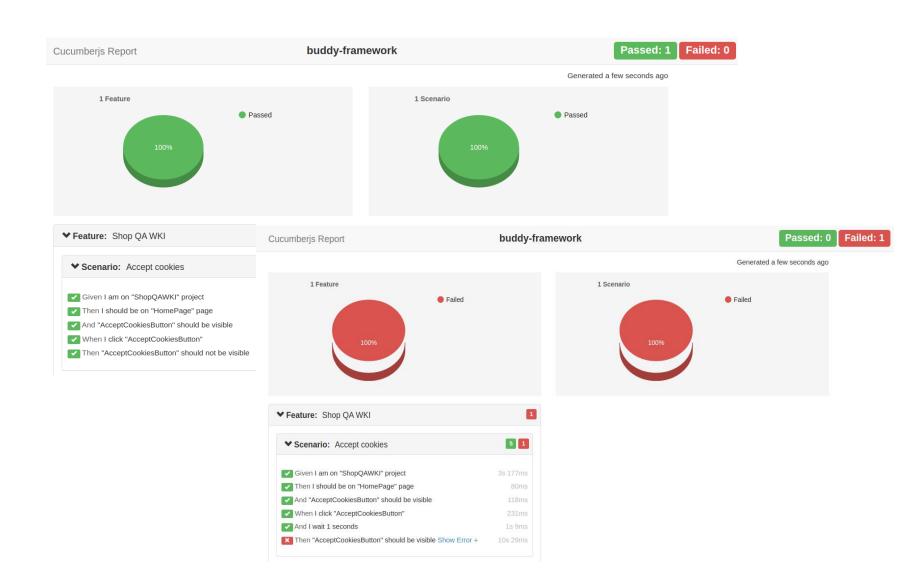






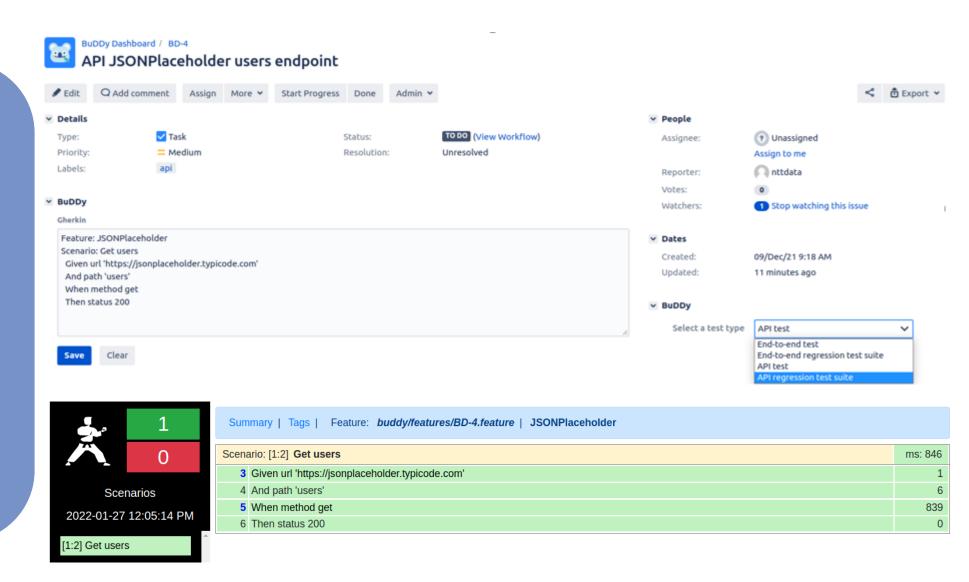
Clicking on "Run Button" from Jira User Story, BuDDy modules execute the acceptance tests corresponding to the behaviors defined by business analyst

Execution and results reports are automatically generated and directly integrated in Jira



BuDDy Advanced features – API Testing

BuDDy supports the definition of apitesting using the gherkin language through the Karate Framework



BuDDy Advanced features – Performance Testing

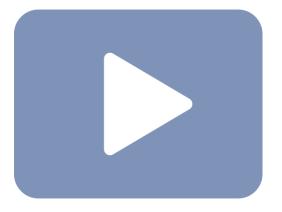
Each api-test can be converted into a performance test automatically.

Buddy provides a comprehensive report using the Gatling performance-testing framework

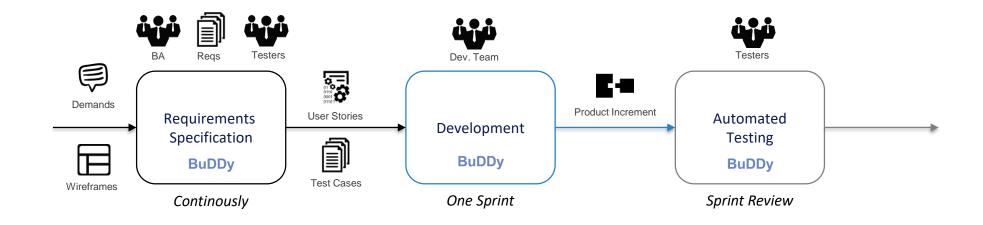


BuDDy in Action

Live Demo



BuDDy Adoption Status





There is an handover causing testers to write gherkin acceptance criteria starting from the "classic" rule-based ones.



Development is based on gherkin-based specs. A story is «done» only when all the test scenarios are executed correctly



It is not needed to spend a week to test the product increment → it could be done directly in the Sprint Review



Engagement of business analysts in writing gherkin AC to share a common language

Let yourself be captivated by our **BuDDy**, Just try it.

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