Formal verification of an "ever changing" protocol

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A tricky problem



Wishes...

FAST DEVELOPMENT
PRECISE (FORMAL)
RUNNING SYSTEM without the board
ADAPT TO SPEC CHANGES
STABLE API

...good luck

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Stylish

Elegant

Think how to wear it

Beautiful

Can be ruined by bad weather

Unshaped

Ruggish

Put it on

Beautiful... "inside"

Completely water proof

Seriously

Formal facts

Agile facts

Stable API JML specified

RAC with JML2 tools

Simulators

10000+ generated tests

Changing and stable: dependency inversion

TDD

Contract based tests

Continuous build

Seriously

Formal-Agile facts

Suites tested with RAC
Suites (hacks) without RAC
and...

Specs tested with unit tests
Unstable behaviors only on specs

The point is... it works

Simulators are running
Rapid development
Formal specs of the stable API

And when the first prototype board came:

worked out of the box!

(well... almost)