

# Assignment 2

## Practical Exercise on Automated Test Design Techniques

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### 1 Taxonomy

I choose to continue with the automated test generation tool Pynguin. I think the specific details in the taxonomy are still sufficient and don't need any modifications.

#### 1. Software Artifact

- (a) **Implementation:** Source, generates test based on python source code.
- (b) **Characteristics:** Application/System because it generates tests for Python applications/systems
- (c) **Programming Language:** Python

#### 2. Implementation

- (a) **Code:** Method level because the testing tools generate unit tests for different methods
- (b) **Monitoring:** Dynamic, because it executes the code and then monitors its behavior

#### 3. Test Generation

- (a) **Objective:** Code coverage, "...aims to automatically generate unit tests that maximize code coverage." [1].
- (b) **Technology:** Search-Based Testing, Chapter 3 [1].

#### 4. Test Execution

- (a) **Online/Offline:** Offline

#### 5. Test Oracle

- (a) **Categories:** Manual, "So far, Pynguin focuses on test-input generation and excludes the generation of oracles." [1].

## 2 Example Program

I chose to create a simple class in Python which represents a simple bank system. The class is able to create multiple accounts, get balance, withdraw money, and lastly deposit money. In each function, I handle simple error cases such as the account doesn't exist or insufficient balance during withdrawal.

```
1 class BankingSystem:
2     def __init__(self):
3         self.accounts = {}
4
5     def create_account(self, account_number, name, initial_balance)
6     :
7         if account_number in self.accounts:
8             return "Account already exists"
9         if initial_balance < 0:
10            return "Initial balance must be non-negative"
11        self.accounts[account_number] = {
12            "name": name,
13            "balance": initial_balance
14        }
15        return "Account created successfully"
16
17    def deposit(self, account_number, amount):
18        if account_number not in self.accounts:
19            return "Account not found"
20        if amount <= 0:
21            return "Deposit amount must be positive"
22        self.accounts[account_number]["balance"] += amount
23        return "Deposit successful"
24
25    def withdraw(self, account_number, amount):
26        if account_number not in self.accounts:
27            return "Account not found"
28        if amount <= 0:
29            return "Withdrawal amount must be positive"
30        if amount > self.accounts[account_number]["balance"]:
31            return "Insufficient funds"
32        self.accounts[account_number]["balance"] -= amount
33        return "Withdrawal successful"
34
35    def get_balance(self, account_number):
36        if account_number not in self.accounts:
37            return "Account not found"
38        return self.accounts[account_number]["balance"]
```

## 3 Automated Generated Test Cases

When using the tool Pynguin tool to automatically generate tests we get some interesting test cases generated. The tool generated a total of 13 test cases. Each test case tests the expected behaviour and after running a coverage test on the test cases it got a score of 100%. While it is not mentioned in the assignment I

want to quickly note the problem with the generated test cases. For the test case 9 (test\_case\_9) the test tries to withdraw money. A good testing behaviour for this would be to withdraw and then check that the new balance has the correct amount. But rather than withdrawing a proper amount (ex 100) it withdraws using True. While this works in python (adding True to a int results in True being 1) it doesn't really test the true behaviour of the class. Here are a few note worthy test cases generated:

```

1 @pytest.mark.xfail(strict=True)
2 def test_case_0():
3     banking_system_0 = module_0.BankingSystem()
4     banking_system_0.create_account(
5         banking_system_0, banking_system_0, banking_system_0
6     )
7
8 def test_case_1():
9     banking_system_0 = module_0.BankingSystem()
10    var_0 = banking_system_0.deposit(banking_system_0,
11    banking_system_0)
12    assert var_0 == "Account not found"
13
14 def test_case_5():
15     bool_0 = False
16     banking_system_0 = module_0.BankingSystem()
17     var_0 = banking_system_0.create_account(bool_0, bool_0, bool_0)
18     assert var_0 == "Account created successfully"
19     assert banking_system_0.accounts == {False: {"name": False, "
20     balance": False}}
21
22 @pytest.mark.xfail(strict=True)
23 def test_case_6():
24     none_type_0 = None
25     int_0 = -425
26     banking_system_0 = module_0.BankingSystem()
27     var_0 = banking_system_0.create_account(int_0, int_0, int_0)
28     assert var_0 == "Initial balance must be non-negative"
29     var_0.withdraw(none_type_0, none_type_0)
30
31 @pytest.mark.xfail(strict=True)
32 def test_case_9():
33     bool_0 = True
34     banking_system_0 = module_0.BankingSystem()
35     var_0 = banking_system_0.create_account(banking_system_0,
36     bool_0, bool_0)
37     assert var_0 == "Account created successfully"
38     assert len(banking_system_0.accounts) == 1
39     var_1 = banking_system_0.withdraw(banking_system_0, bool_0)
40     assert var_1 == "Withdrawal successful"
41     module_1.object(*var_0)

```

## References

- [1] S. Lukasczyk, F. Kroiß, and G. Fraser, “Automated unit test generation for python,” in *Search-Based Software Engineering: 12th International Symposium, SSBSE 2020, Bari, Italy, October 7–8, 2020, Proceedings 12*. Springer, 2020, pp. 9–24.