




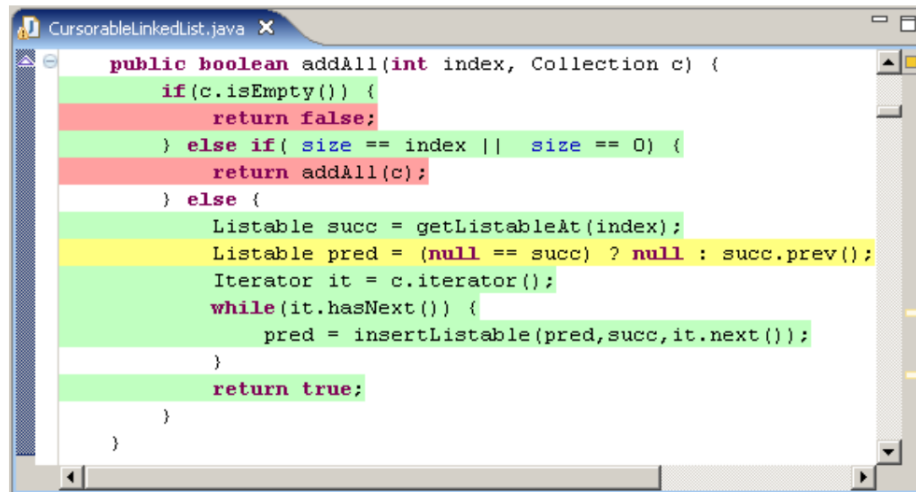


Code Coverage & Continuous Testing

Doing frequent-ish **test coverage** measurements can be highly useful.

Code coverage measures how many lines of code are executed as part of a test run.

-  the line was covered
-  the line was partially covered
-  the line was not covered



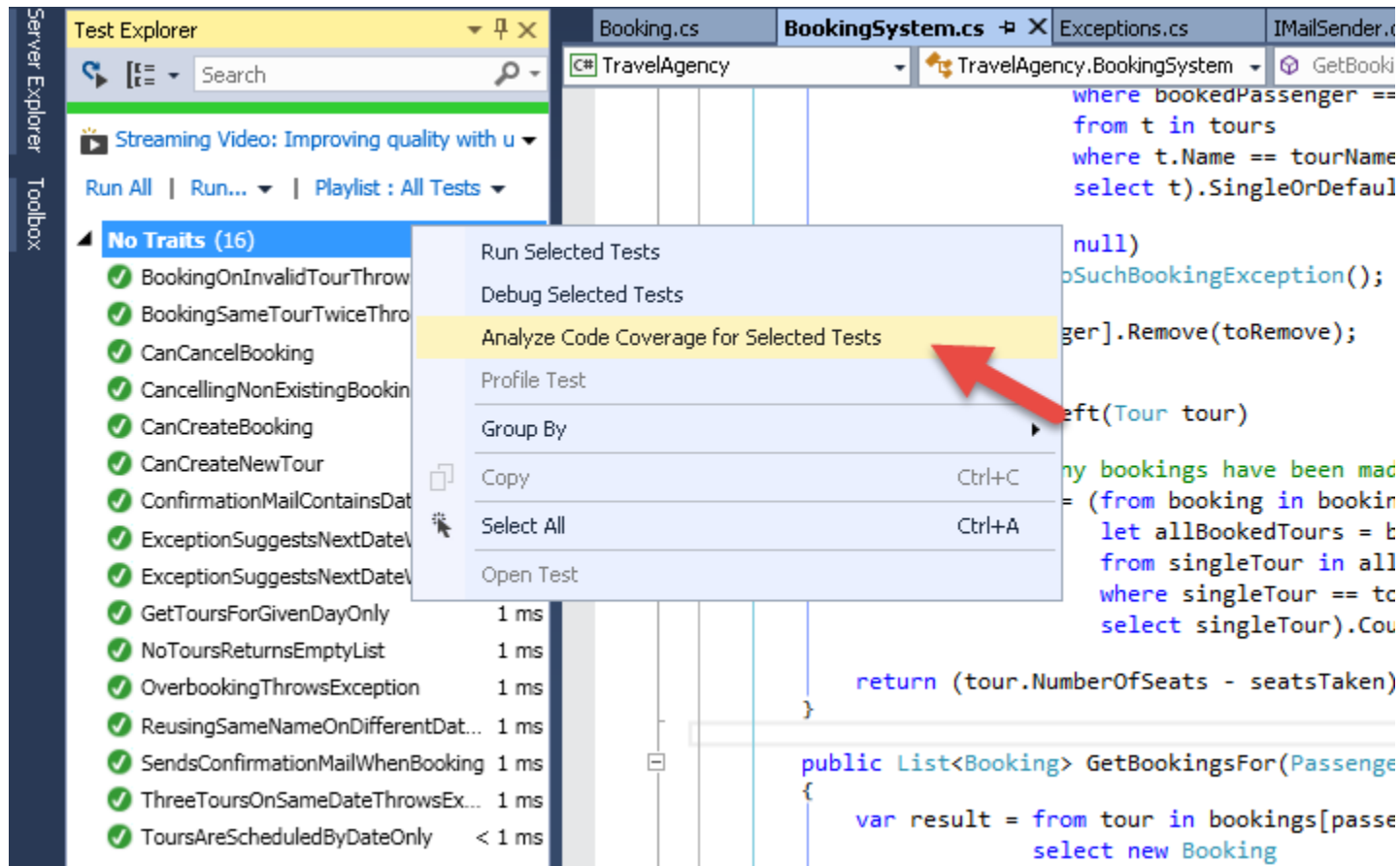
```
CursorableLinkedList.java X
public boolean addAll(int index, Collection c) {
    if(c.isEmpty()) {
        return false;
    } else if( size == index || size == 0) {
        return addAll(c);
    } else {
        Listable succ = getListableAt(index);
        Listable pred = (null == succ) ? null : succ.prev();
        Iterator it = c.iterator();
        while(it.hasNext()) {
            pred = insertListable(pred,succ,it.next());
        }
        return true;
    }
}
```

The screenshot shows a code editor window titled 'CursorableLinkedList.java'. The code is a Java method 'addAll' that takes an 'index' and a 'Collection c'. The code is color-coded to show test coverage: green for fully covered lines, yellow for partially covered lines, and red for lines not covered. The 'if(c.isEmpty())' block and the 'return false;' line are red. The 'else if' block and its 'return addAll(c);' line are green. The 'else' block contains several lines: 'Listable succ = getListableAt(index);' is green, 'Listable pred = (null == succ) ? null : succ.prev();' is yellow, 'Iterator it = c.iterator();' is green, the 'while' loop body is green, and 'return true;' is green.




There are many tools available for measuring code coverage

Name	Description
Visual Studio	The build in testing tool in includes a code coverage feature.
Ncover	Popular commercial tool http://www.ncover.com
OpenCover	Open source tool https://github.com/OpenCover/opencover
DotCover	Commercial and free tool from JetBrains https://www.jetbrains.com/dotcover/
Ncrunch	Continuous testing tool http://www.ncrunch.net/
NDepend	Code analysing tool that can import coverage data from the tools above. http://www.ndepend.com

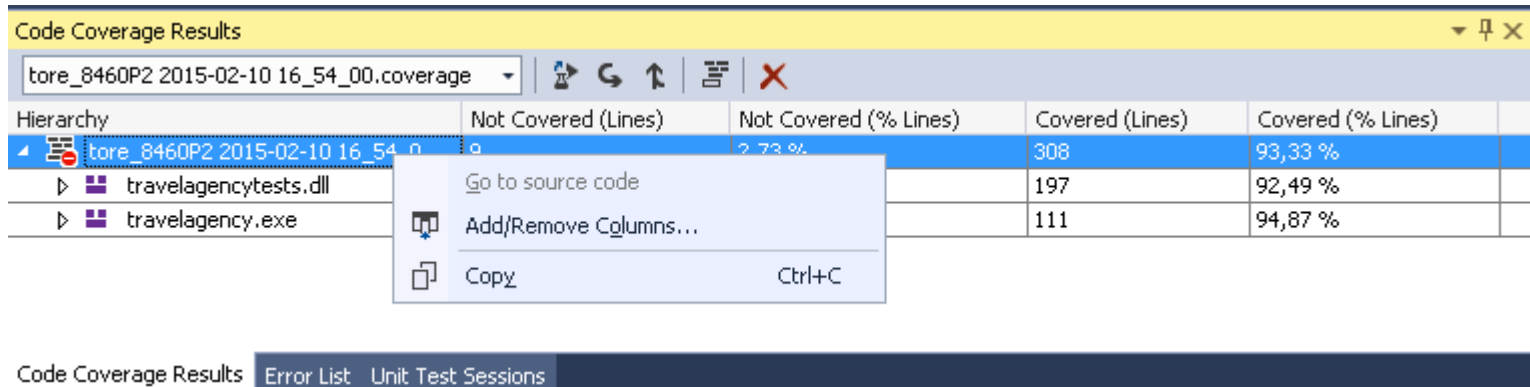
To run the code coverage tests we right click on the test group or individual test:



The Code Coverage Results window shows the result:

Code Coverage Results					
tore_8460P2 2015-02-10 16_54_00.coverage					
Hierarchy	Not Covered (Lines)	Not Covered (% Lines)	Covered (Lines)	Covered (% Lines)	
▲  tore_8460P2 2015-02-10 16_54_0...	9	2,73 %	308	93,33 %	
▶  travelagencytests.dll	4	1,88 %	197	92,49 %	
▶  travelagency.exe	5	4,27 %	111	94,87 %	
Code Coverage Results Error List Unit Test Sessions					

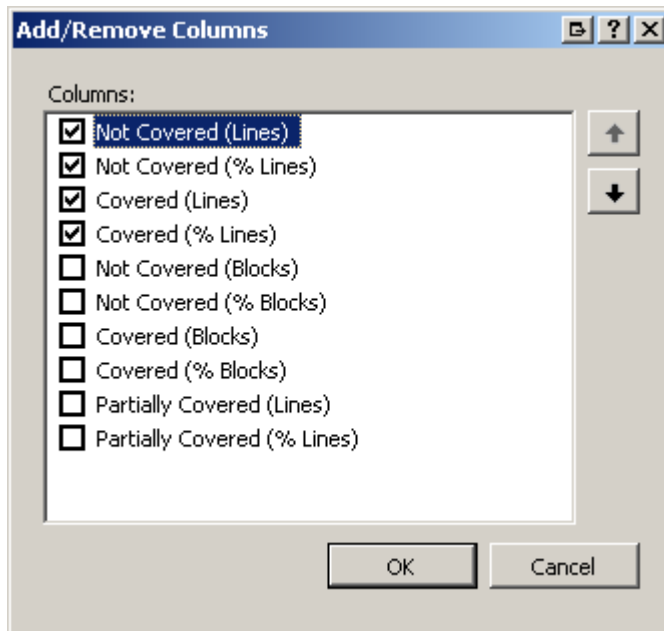
Right clicking in the grid allows you to choose what columns to display



The screenshot shows the 'Code Coverage Results' window with a file named 'tore_8460P2 2015-02-10 16_54_00.coverage'. A right-click context menu is open over the table, showing options: 'Go to source code', 'Add/Remove Columns...', and 'Copy' (with 'Ctrl+C' next to it). The table has the following data:

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▶ travelagencytests.dll			197	92,49 %
▶ travelagency.exe			111	94,87 %

At the bottom, there are tabs for 'Code Coverage Results', 'Error List', and 'Unit Test Sessions'.



The 'Add/Remove Columns' dialog box shows a list of columns with checkboxes. The 'Columns:' list includes:

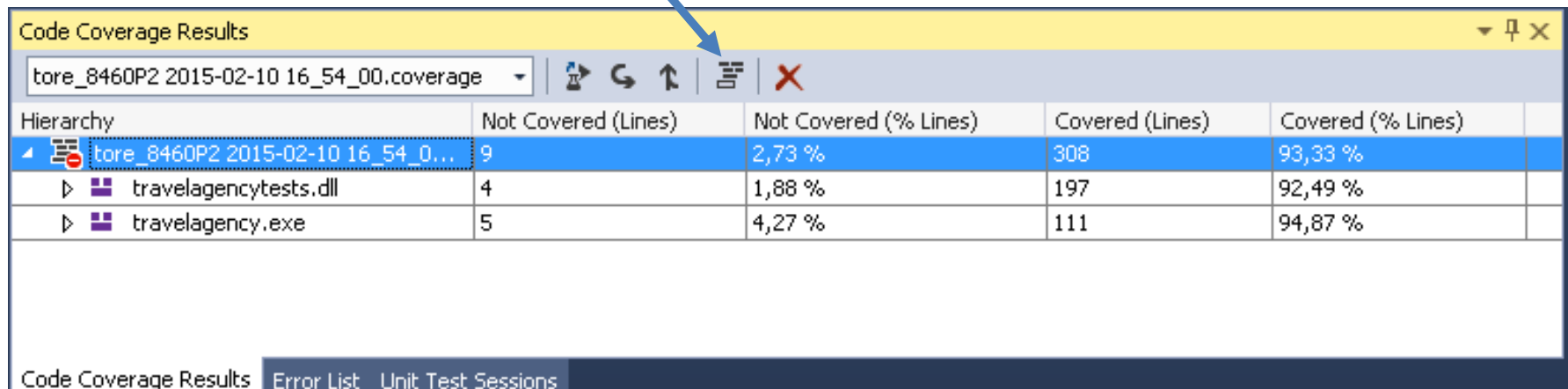
- ☒ Not Covered (Lines)
- ☒ Not Covered (% Lines)
- ☒ Covered (Lines)
- ☒ Covered (% Lines)
- ☐ Not Covered (Blocks)
- ☐ Not Covered (% Blocks)
- ☐ Covered (Blocks)
- ☐ Covered (% Blocks)
- ☐ Partially Covered (Lines)
- ☐ Partially Covered (% Lines)




There are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.

- A block contains a one or more consecutive lines of tested code.
- Showing blocks is the default measurement.

Clicking on the “Show Code Coverage Coloring” icon will highlight the code coverage in the source code:

Show Code Coverage
Coloring



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Code Coverage Results Error List Unit Test Sessions

Sample result

```
[TestFixture]
public class Test
{
    [Test]
    public void CoverageTest()
    {
        Calculator calc = new Calculator();
        calc.SuperAdd(12, 13, false);
    }
}
```

```
public class Calculator
{
    public int SuperAdd(int x, int y, bool mode)
    {
        if (mode == false)
        {
            return x+y;
        }
        else
        {
            int sum = x + y;
            if (sum < 0)
            {
                sum = 0;
            }
            return sum;
        }
    }
}
```

Test coverage

No coverage

We can ignore code using [ExcludeFromCodeCoverage]

```
[TestFixture]
public class Test
{
    [Test]
    public void CoverageTest()
    {
        Calculator calc = new Calculator();
        calc.Add(12, 13);
    }
}

public class Calculator
{
    public int Subtract(int x, int y)
    {
        return x * y;
    }

    public int Add(int x, int y)
    {
        return x + y;
    }
}
```

Not covered 3 lines,
Coverage 70%

```
[TestFixture]
public class Test
{
    [Test]
    public void CoverageTest()
    {
        Calculator calc = new Calculator();
        calc.Add(12, 13);
    }
}

public class Calculator
{
    [ExcludeFromCodeCoverage]
    public int Subtract(int x, int y)
    {
        return x * y;
    }

    public int Add(int x, int y)
    {
        return x + y;
    }
}
```

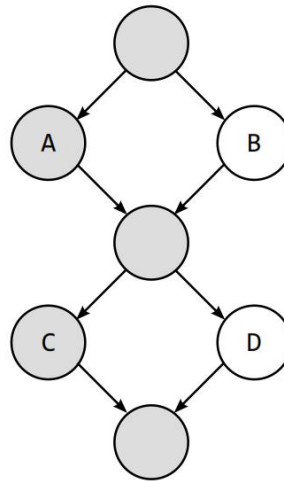
Exclude attribute

Not covered 0 lines,
Coverage 100%

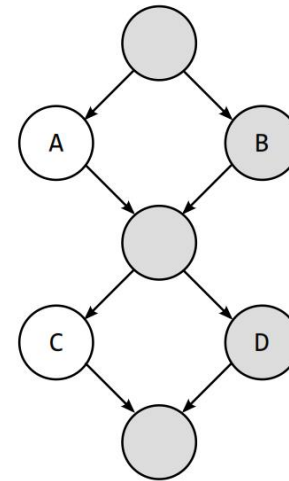
Here's why percentages don't matter so much. "100% coverage" doesn't mean that you test everything, it just means that you run all statements once.

```
if (cond1()) {  
    // A  
}  
else {  
    // B  
}  
  
if (cond2()) {  
    // C  
}  
else {  
    // D  
}
```

the code



test run 1



test run 2

Not only that, there's diminishing returns in trying to cover everything. (Getter methods, for example. Who has the time?)

Prioritize. Focus on giving the important code good coverage.

Code coverage summary

- Just keep in mind **what** about it is useful.
- Knowing what parts of the business-critical code needs better coverage is useful.
- Reducing the coverage to a single percentage is not so useful.
- Chasing a certain percentage is silly
- 100% coverage is not a goal
- You can still write crappy code with 100% coverage

- The Way of Testivus –
Unit Testing Wisdom From An Ancient Software Start-up
<http://www.artima.com/weblogs/viewpost.jsp?thread=203994>
- How Much Unit Test Coverage Do You Need? - The Testivus Answer
<http://www.artima.com/forums/flat.jsp?forum=106&thread=204677>
- Code Coverage Instrumentation (How the blocks are counted)
<http://blogs.msdn.com/b/phuene/archive/2007/05/03/code-coverage-instrumentation.aspx>
- What is a reasonable code coverage % for unit tests (and why)?
<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/90002>



Continuous Testing

Unit tests can also be executed in near real-time inside visual studio. This is called ***Continuous Testing***.

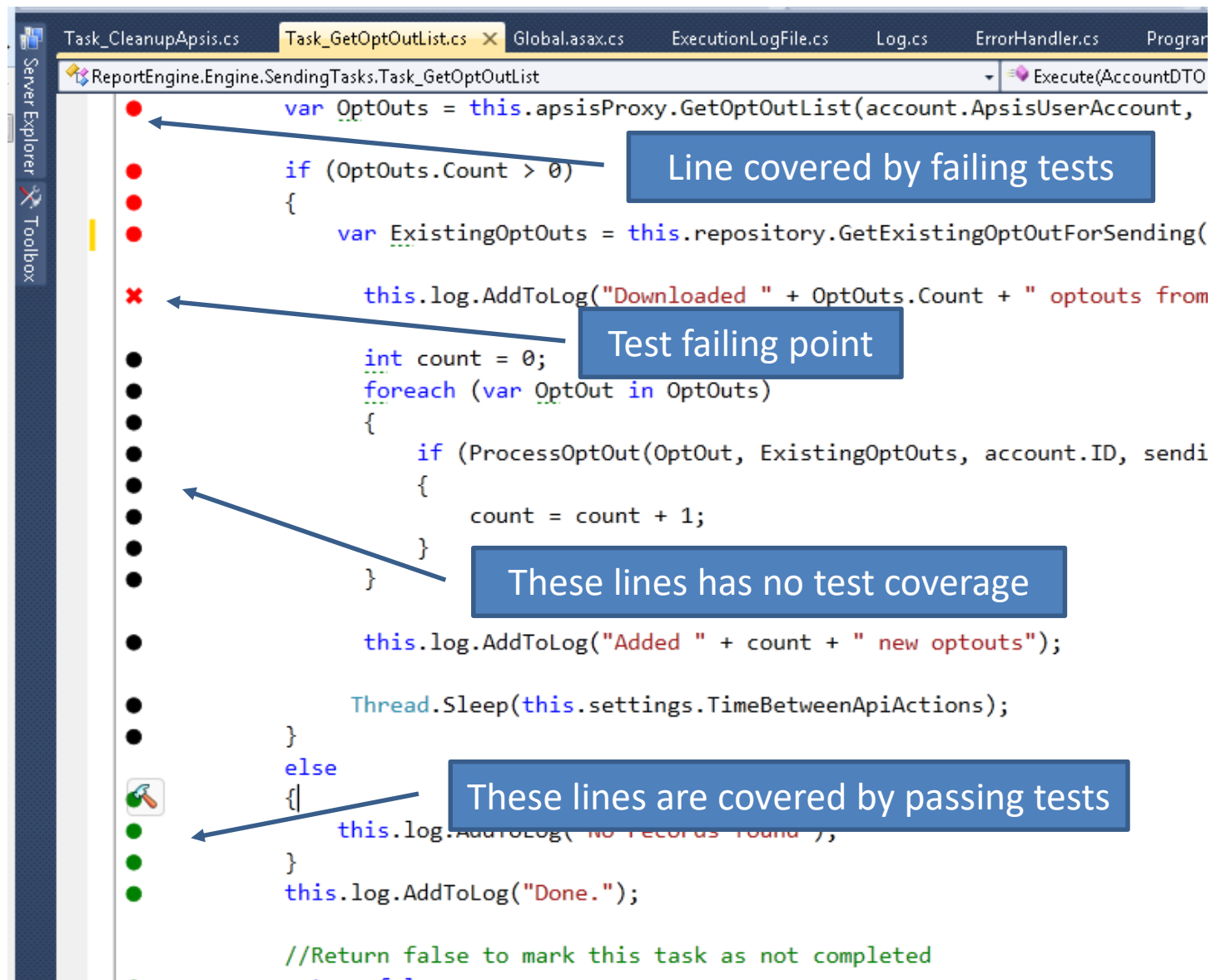
There are a few tools available to support this:

1. Ncrunch

<http://www.ncrunch.net/>

2. Continuous Tests

<http://continuoustests.com/>



Task_CleanupApsis.cs Task_GetOptOutList.cs Global.asax.cs ExecutionLogFile.cs Log.cs ErrorHandler.cs Program

ReportEngine.Engine.SendingTasks.Task_GetOptOutList Execute(AccountDTO)

```
var OptOuts = this.apsisProxy.GetOptOutList(account.ApsisUserAccount,
if (OptOuts.Count > 0)
{
    var ExistingOptOuts = this.repository.GetExistingOptOutForSending(
this.log.AddToLog("Downloaded " + OptOuts.Count + " optouts from
int count = 0;
foreach (var OptOut in OptOuts)
{
    if (ProcessOptOut(OptOut, ExistingOptOuts, account.ID, sendi
    {
        count = count + 1;
    }
}
this.log.AddToLog("Added " + count + " new optouts");
Thread.Sleep(this.settings.TimeBetweenApiActions);
}
else
{
    this.log.AddToLog("No records found");
}
this.log.AddToLog("Done.");
//Return false to mark this task as not completed
```

Line covered by failing tests

Test failing point

These lines has no test coverage

These lines are covered by passing tests

Continuous Testing gives improves your TDD efficiency because

- The time from writing a test to failing code is faster, no need to build and run the tests manually.
- You can faster find the lines that is causing trouble.
- You get visual code coverage statistics for free

Visual Studio feels slower?

These tools have several options that you can tweak to optimize the background testing behavior.