

Tutorial 7

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Project Report

Final Assignment

Important notices

- This is an **individual** assignment.
- Worth **60%** of the total unit score.
- Due date: **11:00pm Mon 16 Oct 2023**

Task 1

- **Subtask 1.1.** Present your understanding of the random testing methodology.
- **Subtask 1.2.** Apply random testing methodology to generate concrete test cases to test a program.
 - This program is designed to sort a non-empty list of integer numbers that may contain duplicated numbers.

Task 2

- **Subtask 2.1.** Present your understanding of the metamorphic testing methodology.
- **Subtask 2.2.** You are required to apply metamorphic testing to propose at least two MRs to test a program.
 - This program is designed to sort a non-empty list of integer numbers that may contain duplicated numbers.
- **Subtask 2.3.** You are also required to compare the advantage and disadvantage of random testing and metamorphic testing.

Task 3

- You are required to test a real-world program of your choice. Its requirements are
 - The original program under test is implemented correctly and must be obtained from GitHub;
 - The program must be written in either Python, Java, JavaScript, Ruby, C/C++, C#, Swift, Visual Basic, Fortran, R, Go, Perl, PHP or MATLAB; and
 - It is neither too large and complex nor too simple so that you can generate at least 20 non-equivalent mutants.
- You must use metamorphic testing technique and evaluate it using the mutation analysis.
 - You are required to propose and describe at least two metamorphic relations.

Requirement about report

- Report submission

- Must submit the report as a single PDF file.
- Must be self-contained and complete.
- Coverage page is not required.

- Report format

- Must use 12-point font size on A4 papers.
- Must contain full name & student number on the first line of first page.

- Report volume

- Must have no more than 10 pages.
- Must be smaller than 10 MB in size.

Requirement about codes

- Code must be in a single ZIP file consisting of
 - Complete source codes of the program
 - Complete set of non-equivalent mutants used
 - Test script (if applicable) and test cases
- Code language must be one of the followings
 - Python, Java, JavaScript, Ruby, C/C++, C#, Swift, Visual Basic, Fortran, R, Go, Perl, PHP or MATLAB.
- ZIP volume
 - Must be smaller than **10 MB** in size

Other requirements

- Report must have the filename specified in this format “FinalReport-YourStudentID-YourSurname.pdf”
 - Example: FinalReport-12345678-Nash.pdf
- ZIP must have the filename specified in this format “FinalReport-YourStudentID-YourSurname.zip”
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- Must use the submission for Assignment in the unit’s Canvas.
- Submission must be before the due date.

Marking criteria

- A maximum of 15 marks for Task 1.
- A maximum of 25 marks for Task 2.
- A maximum of 50 marks for Task 3.
- A maximum of 10 marks is for presentation, completeness compliance, and cohesion.

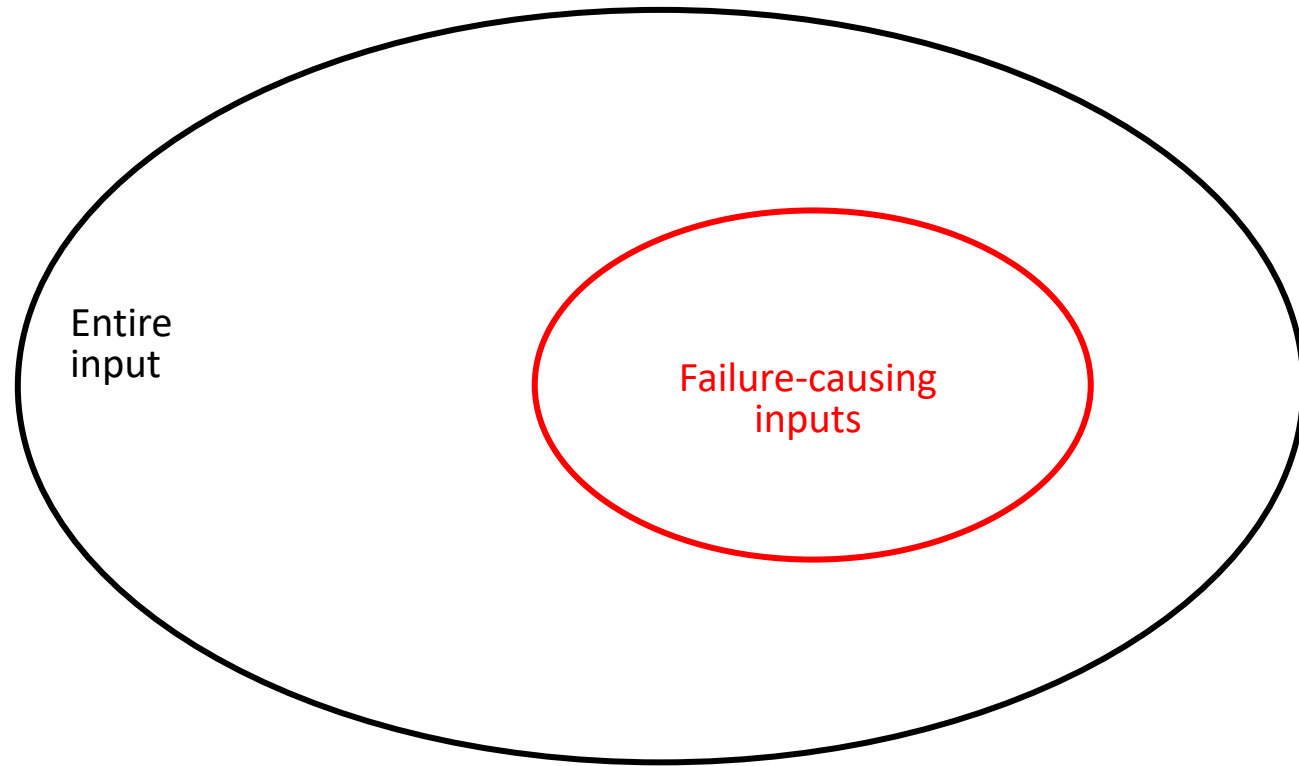


Marking penalty

- Penalty will be applied for late submission and plagiarism.
- Refer to the Unit Outline for the policy on late submission and plagiarism.

Random testing

Input domain

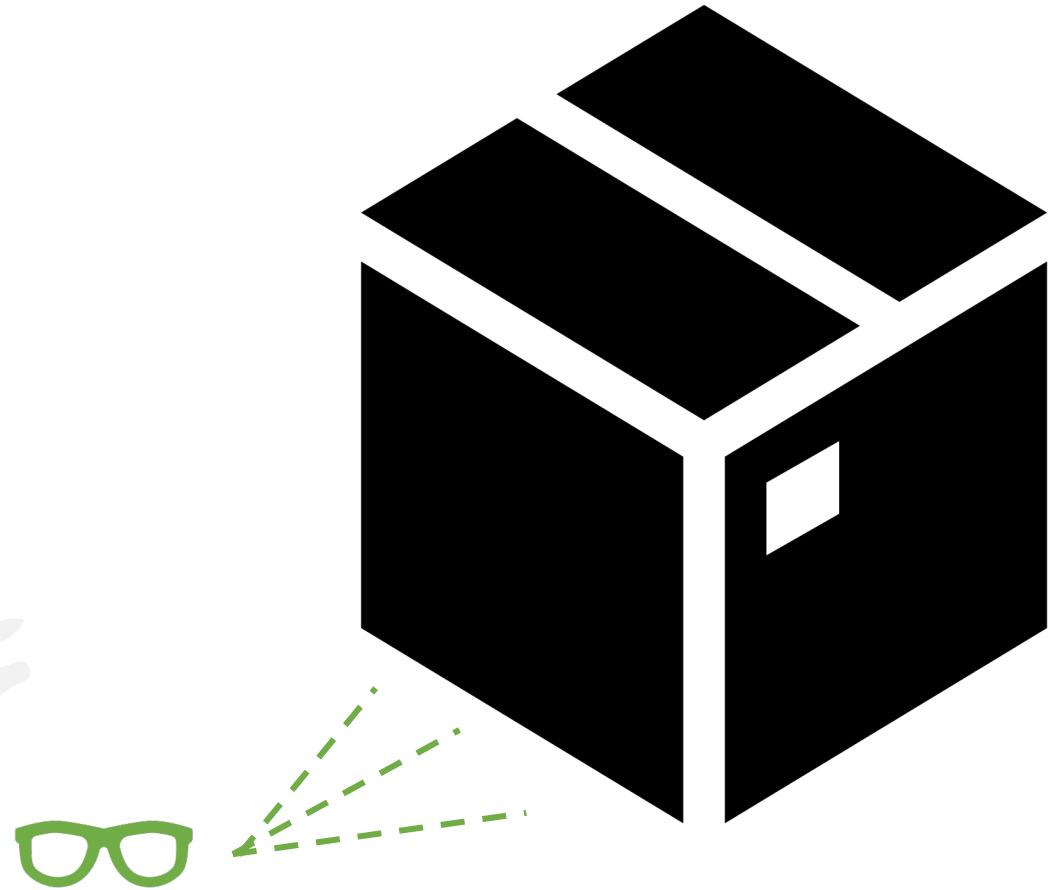


Discussion

Can we test **all** inputs?

Blackbox testing

Does not refer to the program code



Task: Assignment 2



Blackbox testing: advantage

- Design of test cases and coding can be done in parallel
- Can reveal missing functions / features
 - Missing functions / features are those specified but not implemented
- Test cases are independent of the source code
- Test cases can be reused as long as the specifications are not changed

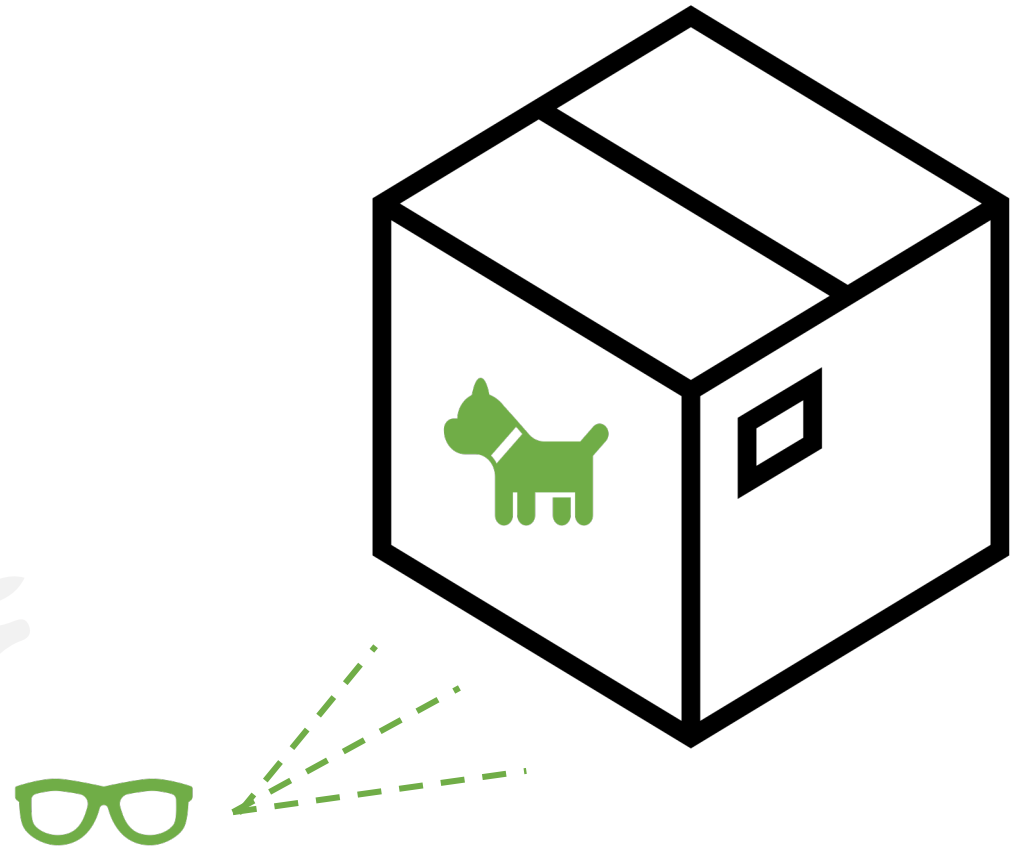


Blackbox testing: disadvantage

- Cannot test extra functions / features
 - Extra functions / features are those implemented but never specified

Whitebox testing

Makes use of the program code



Task: Assignment 1



Whitebox testing: advantage

- Can test those implemented functionality
- Uncover types of errors different from those detected by Black-Box Testing



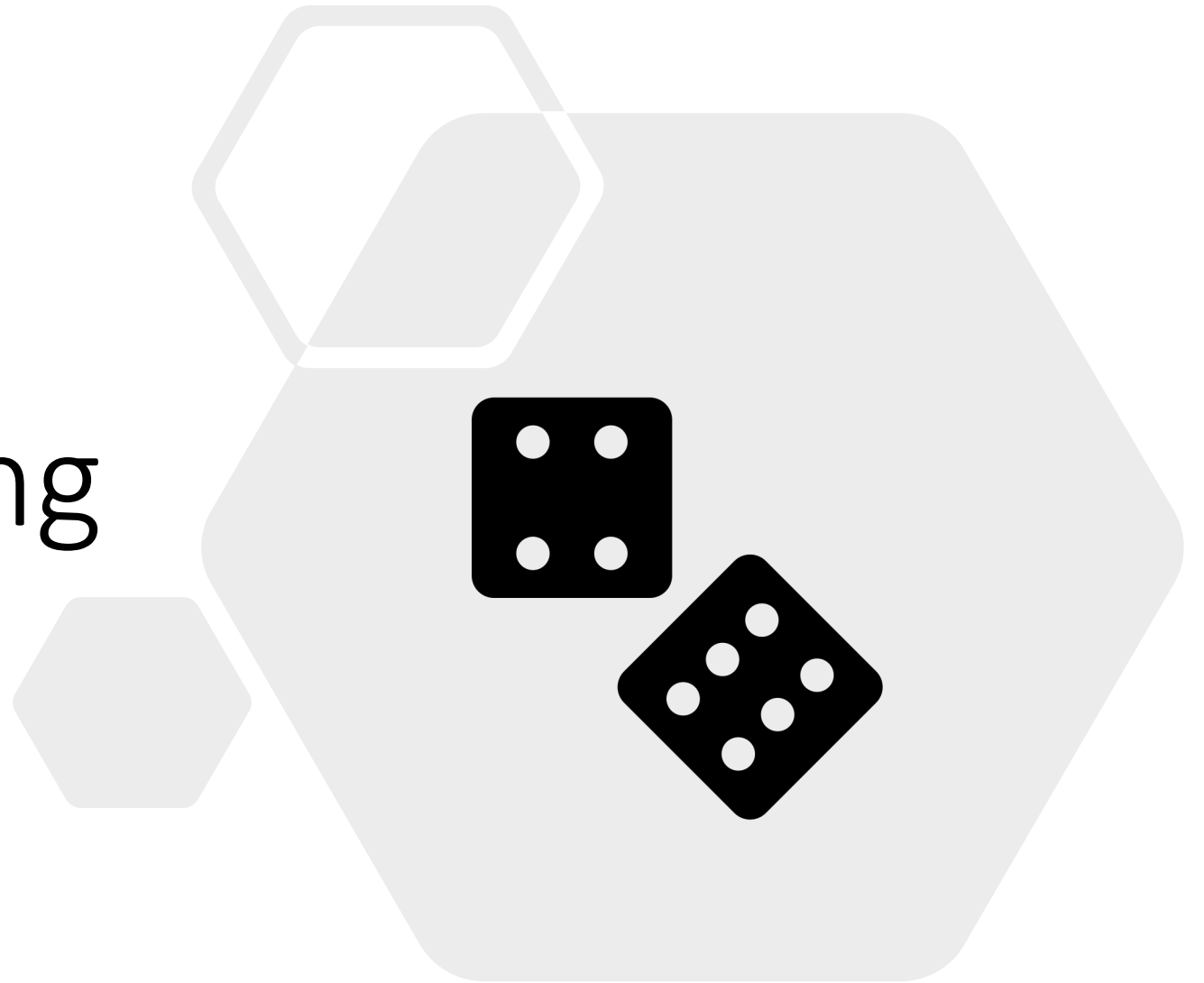
Whitebox testing: disadvantage

- Cannot test those specified functions which are not implemented
- Need to wait until the source code is ready to start design / generate test case
- Need to know the language syntax to generate test case

A core blackbox testing method

Random testing

Selects test cases from the
entire input domain **randomly**
and independently



Random story



Top: Stefan Mandel spent more than a decade reading mathematical theories before winning his first lottery in the 1960s; Bottom: Mandel's lottery feats made headlines in his hometown Romanian newspaper (Via Bursa; Illustrations: The Hustle)

HOW STEFAN MANDEL GAMED THE LOTTERY 14 TIMES

Let's assume a lottery required Mandel to pick 6 numbers between 1 and 40. Here's what he'd do:

1. Calculate the number of **total possible combinations** using a simple factorial formula:

$$\frac{40!}{6! (40 - 6)!} = 3,838,380 \text{ total combinations}$$

2. Identify lotteries where the **jackpot is at least 3x** the number of combinations (let's say \$10,000,000)

3. **Raise money** to pay for every single combination (\$3,838,380, at \$1 per ticket)

4. Use an algorithm and computers to **print out millions of tickets** with every combination →

5. **Deliver the tickets (and pay for them)** at hundreds of authorized lotto dealers

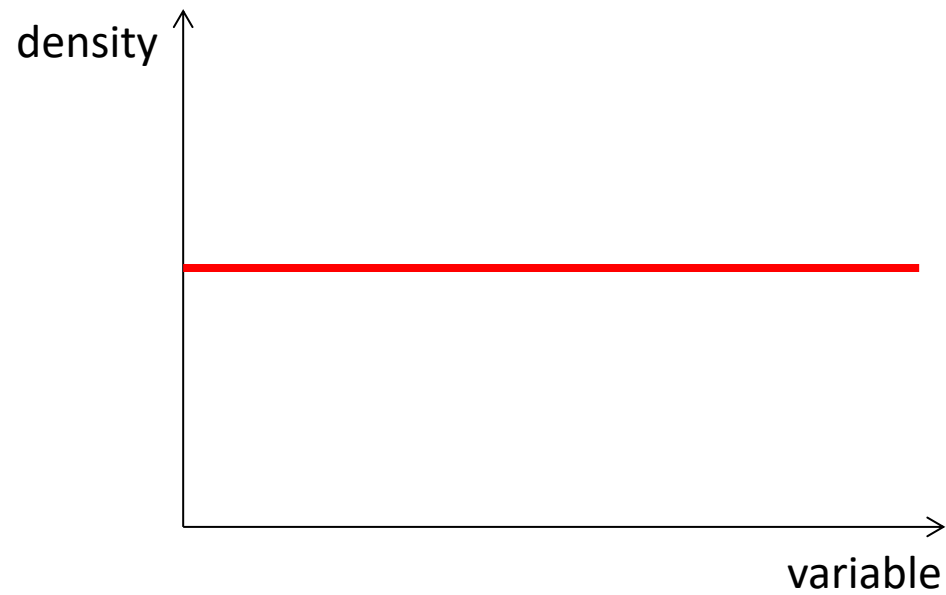
6. **PROFIT** (after taxes, and paying investors)



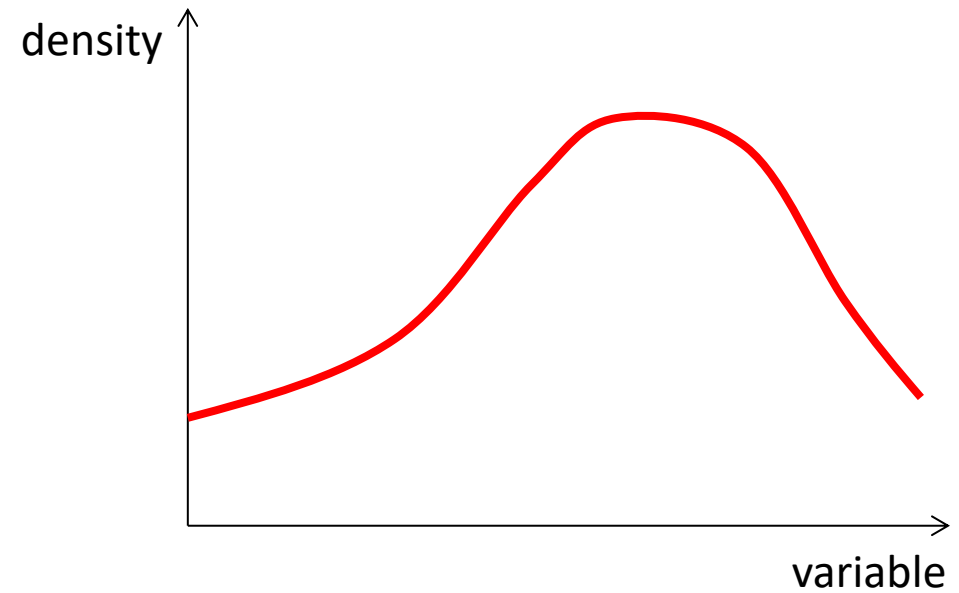
the **HUSTLE**

Mandel's system was simple — but incredibly complex from a logistical standpoint (The Hustle)

Input probability distribution



Uniform distributions



Non-uniform distributions

Discussion on picking a random sample

Melbourne

Sydney

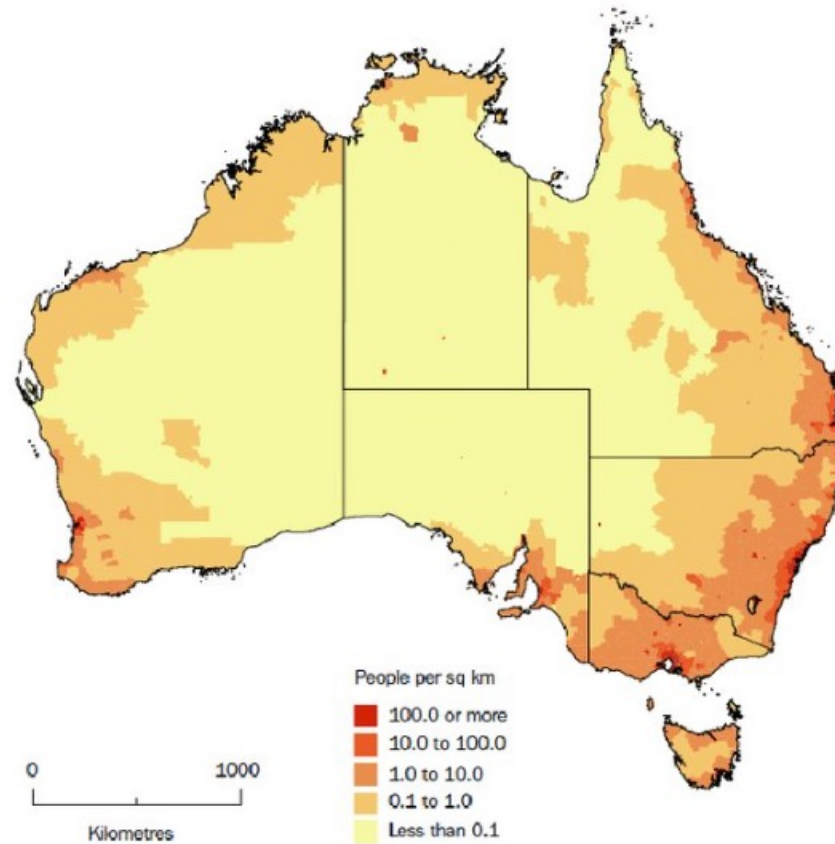
Brisbane

Adelaide

Perth

Darwin

Hobart



Source: *Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0)*.

Random testing for numeric inputs

```
4 # set reproducible random algorithm
5 random.seed(10)
6 print(numpy.random.seed(0))
```

- Numpy Library: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/random.html>

```
25 print(numpy.random.rand(10), 'random values in a given shape')
26 print(numpy.random.randn(2), 'sample from "standard normal" distribution')
27 print(numpy.random.randint(100), 'random integers 10[, high, size, dtype]')
28 print(numpy.random.exponential(scale=1.0), 'draw samples from an exponential distribution')
29 print(numpy.random.pareto(5), 'draw samples from a pareto distribution')
```

- Random Library: <https://numpy.org/doc/1.16/reference/routines.random.html>

```
32 # random algorithm in numpy
33 print(random.random(), 'random value in the range of [0,1]')
34 print(random.uniform(5,15), 'random value in the range of [a,b]')
35 print(random.expovariate(5), 'draw samples from an exponential distribution with lamda')
36 print(random.choice(['a','b'], 'uniform samples from a list')
37 print(random.choices(['a','b'], weights=[0.1,0.9]), 'non-uniform samples from a list following an distribution')
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```

Random testing for string inputs

- Uniform
- Non-uniform

```
1 import random
2
3 # inputs and weights (optional)
4 names = ['John', 'Peter', 'Mary']
5 weights = [0.5, 0.2, 0.3]
6
7 # uniform distribution
8 print('Uniform distribution of names:')
9 for _ in range(10):
10     print(random.choice(names))
11
12 # non-uniform distribution
13 print('Non-uniform distribution of names:')
14 for _ in range(10):
15     print(random.choices(names, weights=weights)[0])
16
```