

Developer Tools for .NET

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Course Goals and Non Goals

- Course Goals
- To introduce various developer tools for Unit Testing, Code Coverage, Code Analysis and Logging



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Pre-requisites

- C# 5.0
- ASP.NET 4.5
- ADO.NET 4.5



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Day Wise Schedule

- Day 1

- Lesson 1: Working with NUnit & NCover
- Lesson 2: Using FxCOP, StyleCOP & Log4Net



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References

- Student Guide
 - PPT along with notes

- Lab Book
 - Lab Book consists of Walkthroughs to guide the participants throughout and <>To Do>> Exercises to test their knowledge and skills



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Lesson 2: Overview of FxCOP,
StyleCop & Log4NET

2.1: Static Code Analysis

Static Code Analysis

- From Wikipedia: “The analysis of computer software that is performed without actually executing programs built from that software”
- In most cases the analysis is performed on some version of the source code and in the other cases some form of the object code
- In .NET, this means analyzing managed compiled code (IL)



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2.2: Why use FxCop?

Why use FxCop?

Do you:

- Have a well defined coding standards
 - But have no way of enforcing those standards?
- Spend much time writing code
 - But even more time editing code?
- Want to have your applications run smoothly
 - But seem to always be held back by errors?
- Want to analysis your code without executing it
 - But don't know how to do that
- Then...FxCop is for you!



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The nuances of writing code present many problems, and perhaps the most annoying are those that involve the tendency for small errors to plague your code.

FxCop is designed to solved these problems.

2.3: What is FxCOP? What is FxCop?

- FxCop is an application that analyzes managed code assemblies and reports information about the assemblies, such as possible design, localization, performance, and security improvements
- Enforces adherence to .NET Framework Design Guidelines
- Internal tool developed by Microsoft to fix common design errors during .NET 1.0 development



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Many of the issues concern violations of the programming and design rules set forth in the Microsoft .NET Framework Design Guidelines, which are Microsoft's guidelines for writing robust and easily maintainable code using the .NET Framework.

FxCop is intended for class library developers; however, anyone creating applications that should conform to .NET Framework best practices will benefit.

2.3: What is FxCOP?

What is FxCop? (contd..)

- Contains a set of rules that match the Microsoft .NET Framework Design Guidelines
- Encourages learning good design by writing code rather than reading guidelines
- FxCop is also useful as an educational tool for those who are new to the .NET Framework or are unfamiliar with the .NET Framework Design Guidelines



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2.3: What is FxCop?

What is FxCop? (contd..)

- Analysis is performed through Reflection into the 'target' assembly to perform heuristics
- Available free
- Ability to create custom rules



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Microsoft has put a lot of effort into disseminating best practices and guidelines for writing code to be used for the .NET framework. The FxCop project began as an internal one, aimed at ensuring that Microsoft developers followed their own rules.

FxCop is now available from <http://www.gotdotnet.com/team/fxcop>.

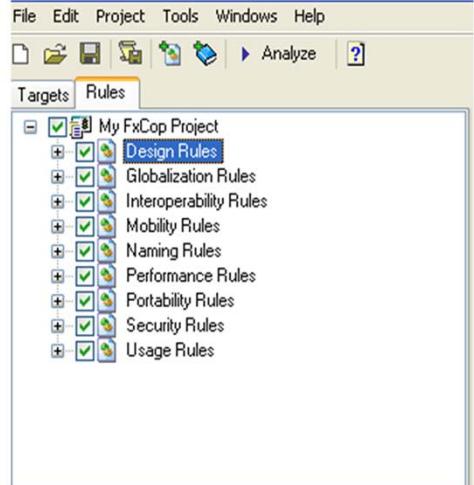
Introspection is the new element of FxCop, contained in version 1.3. The old Reflection version required FxCop to shutdown to complete a fix, then run again to recompile. Now, since the assemblies are not locked, there is no need to shut down. Those who have used the old Reflection engine will be happy to hear that rules can be updated by just changing a few base class names.

The rules for FxCop include everything from ensuring that you use COM interop correctly, to ensuring proper globalization, to enforcing rules for writing high-performance code

2.4: FxCop Rules

FxCop Rules

- It Contains over 200 rules in the following areas:
 - Library design
 - Localization
 - Naming conventions
 - Performance
 - Security
- Defined in logical groups
- Extensible – you can write your own rules!



File Edit Project Tools Windows Help

Targets Rules

My FxCop Project

- + Design Rules
- + Globalization Rules
- + Interoperability Rules
- + Mobility Rules
- + Naming Rules
- + Performance Rules
- + Portability Rules
- + Security Rules
- + Usage Rules

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2.4: FxCop Rules

FxCop Rules (contd..)

- FxCop tests rules against assemblies and reports on failed rules
 - FxCop can be applied to any .NET language because it works on assemblies and not code
 - The rules included with FxCop are based upon “Microsoft .NET Framework Design Guidelines”



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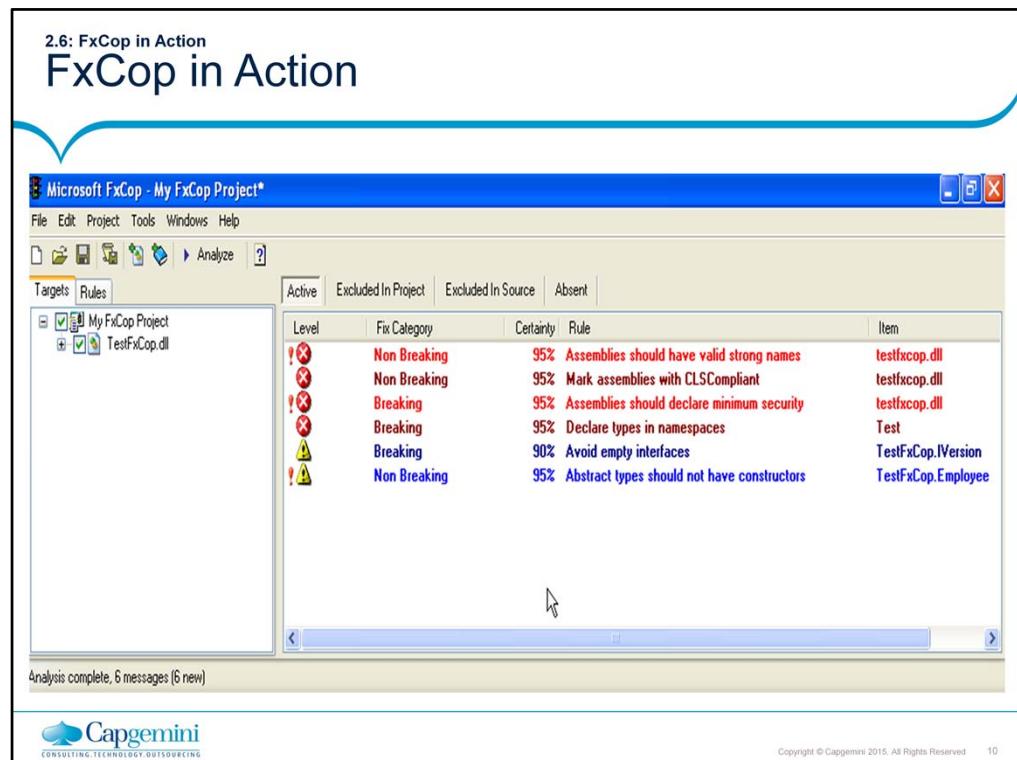
2.5: FxCOP Tool

FxCOP Tool

- FxCop is designed to be fully integrated into the software development cycle
- It is distributed as a fully featured application with a graphical user interface (FxCop.exe) for interactive work
- Also available as a command-line tool (FxCopCmd.exe) suitable for use as part of automated build processes
- It can be integrated with Microsoft Visual Studio .NET as an external tool



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2.7: How does FxCop Work?

How does FxCop Work?

- FxCop analyzes programming elements in managed assemblies, called targets, using rules that when violated, return informational messages about the targets
- A report containing these messages appears in the user interface, or in the output window when using the command-line tool
- Messages identify any relevant programming and design issues and, possible, supply information on how to fix the target

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FxCop analyzes programming elements in managed assemblies, called targets, and provides an informational report containing messages about the targets, including suggestions on how to improve the source code used to generate them. FxCop represents the checks it performs during an analysis as rules. A rule is managed code that can analyze targets and return a message about its findings. Rule messages identify any relevant programming and design issues and, when possible, supply information on how to fix the target.

2.7: How does FxCop Work?

How does FxCop Work? (contd..)

- A message is associated with a specific rule and a specific target and can be excluded from further analysis
- A default set of rules is provided and additional custom rules can be created using the FxCop SDK



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2.8: FxCop Projects and Targets

FxCop Projects and Targets

- In FxCop a “Project” is an FxCop project
 - It is not a Visual Studio Project
 - It describes the target, rules and exclusions for any given analysis
- In FxCop the assembly to be analyzed is called a “target”

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Projects are used to specify the set of assemblies to be analyzed, the rules used to analyze the assemblies, the excluded messages, and settings to customize the saved project or report file.

2.9: Using FxCop

Using FxCop

- Using FxCop, you can:

- Control which rules are applied to targets
- Exclude a rule message from future reports
- Apply style sheets to FxCop reports
- Filter and save messages
- Save and reuse application settings in FxCop projects



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2.10: FxCop Analysis Result

FxCop Analysis Result

- Active – Current issues
- Excluded In Project – Issue suppressed for the entire project
- Excluded In Source – Individual issue suppressed at the source level
- Absent – Issues that have been resolved

Active	Excluded In Project	Excluded In Source	Absent
Level	Fix Category	Category	Rule
! ×	Non Breaking	95%	Assemblies should have valid strong names
×	Non Breaking	95%	Mark assemblies with CLSCompliant
! ×	Breaking	95%	Assemblies should declare minimum security
×	Breaking	95%	Declare types in namespaces
!	Non Breaking	90%	Avoid empty interfaces
!	Non Breaking	95%	Abstract types should not have constructors

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2.10: FxCop Analysis Result

FxCop Analysis Result (contd..)

■ Levels

- Critical Error
- Error
- Critical Warning
- Warning
- Informational

The screenshot shows the FxCop Analysis Result window. On the left, there's a tree view of targets: 'My FxCop Project' and 'TestFxCop.dll'. On the right, a table lists rules categorized by level (Non-Breaking, Non-Breaking, Breaking) and fix category (Assemblies should have valid strong names, Mark assemblies with CLSCompliant, Assemblies should declare minimum security). A tooltip at the bottom indicates a 'CriticalError, Certainty 95, for AssembliesShouldHaveValidStrongNames' message was selected. The target is listed as 'testfxcop.dll (IntrospectionTargetModule)'.

Level	Fix Category	Certainty	Rule
Non Breaking	Assemblies should have valid strong names	95%	
Non Breaking	Mark assemblies with CLSCompliant	95%	
Breaking	Assemblies should declare minimum security	95%	

message(s) selected
CriticalError, Certainty 95, for **AssembliesShouldHaveValidStrongNames**
(
 Target : testfxcop.dll (IntrospectionTargetModule)

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2.10: FxCop Analysis Result

FxCop Analysis Result (contd..)

- Fix Category
- Breaking – resolving this issue will cause dependent code to break; recompile needed
 - Non Breaking – issue can be resolved without breaking dependent code
- Certainty – How sure it is an issue

Level	Fix Category	Certainty	Rule
!	Non Breaking	95%	Assemblies should have valid strong names
!	Non Breaking	95%	Mark assemblies with CLSCompliant
!	Breaking	95%	Assemblies should declare minimum security
!	Breaking	95%	Declare types in namespaces

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2.10: FxCop Analysis Result

FxCop Analysis Result (contd..)

- Details pane for a selected issue
 - Where the issue is located, brief description, link to more info, etc

```
CriticalError, Certainty 95, for AssembliesShouldHaveValidStrongNames
{
    Target      : testfxcop.dll  (IntrospectionTargetModule)
    Resolution  : "Sign 'TestFxCop' with a strong name key."
    Help        : http://www.gotdotnet.com/team/fxcop/docs/rules.aspx?version=1.35&url=/Design/
    Category    : Microsoft.Design (String)
    CheckId    : CA2210 (String)
    Rulefile   : Design Rules (String)
    Info        : "Either the assembly has no strong name, an invalid
                  one, or the strong name is valid only because of the
                  computer configuration. The assembly should not be
                  deployed in this state. The most common causes of this
                  are: 1) The assembly's contents were modified after
                  it was signed. 2) The signing process failed. 3) The
                  assembly was delay-signed. 4) A registry key existed
                  that allowed the check to pass (where it would not
                  have otherwise)."
    Created     : 10/15/2010 5:08:54 AM (DateTime)
    LastSeen    : 10/15/2010 5:08:54 AM (DateTime)
    Status      : Active (MessageStatus)
    Fix Category : NonBreaking (FixCategories)
}
```



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2.11: Demo

Demo on FxCop

- Create a Class Library Application and Build it
- Start FxCop.exe
- Select Project | Add Targets... and select the dll that you have just created
- Click the “Analyze” Button



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Demonstration: HelloWorld:

Let us take a look at the first ASP.NET application. To create this application follow the steps given below:

Step 1: Open Visual Studio 2013. Select **File → New-WebSite**. It opens the **New WebSite** dialog box.

With ASP.NET 4.5, using Visual Studio 2013 you have an option to create an application with virtual directory mapped to IIS or a standalone application outside the confines of IIS.

Built-in Web Server: As mentioned earlier ASP.Net 4.5 comes with a built-in Web Server called as **Cassini**. By default, VS2013 builds applications without the use of IIS. The location provided by default for your application is 'C:\Documents and Settings\username\My Documents\Visual Studio 2013\WebSites'. Optionally you can also create your own folder and allow your WebSites to be created in that location. If you use the Built-in Web Server, then you are not locked into the Websites folder or in the 'C:\inetpub\wwwroot' folder. You can also run your application completely from this location. Hence with this new way of creating ASP.NET applications you are not dependent on having access to any IIS server and you can go ahead and develop applications on any Windows OS machine.

The figure on the following page shows the creation of website on the FileSystem, that is in the Built-in Web Server.

2.12: What is StyleCop?

What is StyleCop?

- StyleCop is a source analysis tool for C#
- It can be used for analyzing source code as opposed to compiled assemblies which is the area for FxCop
- StyleCop is currently in version 4.3 and can be downloaded from <http://stylecop.codeplex.com>
- It has been used by Microsoft to help teams enforce a common set of best practices for layout, readability, maintainability, and documentation of C# source code



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2.12: What is StyleCop?

What is StyleCop? (contd..)

- StyleCop is similar in many ways to Microsoft Code Analysis (specifically FxCop), but there are some important distinctions
- FxCop performs its analysis on compiled binaries, while StyleCop analyzes the source code directly
- For this reason, FxCop focuses more on the design of the code, while StyleCop focuses on layout, readability and documentation



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2.13: StyleCop Rules

StyleCop Rules

- Specifically, these rules cover the following, in no particular order:
 - Layout of elements, statements, expressions, and query clauses
 - Placement of curly brackets, parenthesis, square brackets, etc
 - Spacing around keywords and operator symbols
 - Line spacing
 - Placement of method parameters within method declarations or method calls
 - Standard ordering of elements within a class



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2.13: StyleCop Rules

StyleCop Rules (contd..)

- Formatting of documentation within element headers and file headers
- Naming of elements, fields and variables
- Use of the built-in types
- Use of access modifiers
- Allowed contents of files
- Debugging text



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2.14: Demo

Demo on StyleCop



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2.15: Overview

Overview of Logging

- Logging is writing the state of a program at various stages of its execution to some repository such as a log file
- By logging, explanatory statements can be sent to text file, console, or any other repository
- Using logging, a reliable monitoring and debugging solution can be achieved

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Logging is used due to the following reasons:

- It can be used for debugging.
- It is cost effective than including some debug flag.
- There is no need to recompile the program to enable debugging.
- It does not leave your code messy.
- Priority levels can be set.
- Log statements can be appended to various destinations such as file, console, socket, database, and so on.
- Logs are needed to quickly target an issue that occurred in service.

2.16: What is Log4Net?

What is Log4Net?

- Log4Net is an open source logging API for .NET from Apache Software Foundation
- log4net is a tool to help the programmer output log statements to a variety of output targets
- With log4net it is possible to enable logging at runtime without modifying the application binary



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log4net provides many advantages over other logging systems, which makes it a perfect choice for use in any type of application, from a simple single-user application to a complex multiple-threaded distributed application using remoting

2.17: Features of Log4Net?

Features of Log4Net

- Support for multiple frameworks
 - .NET Framework 1.1, 2.0, Mono
- Output to multiple logging targets
 - Database, Terminal window, ASP trace context, Applications window Console, Window event log, File System etc
- Hierarchical logging architecture
- Dynamic XML Configuration

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Hierarchical logging is an ideal fit with component based development. Each component has its own logger. When individually tested, the properties of these loggers may be set as the developer requires. When combined with other components, the loggers inherit the properties determined by the integrator of the components. One can selectively elevate logging priorities on one component without affecting the other components. This is useful when you need a detailed trace from just a single component without crowding the trace file with messages from other components. All this can be done through configuration files; no code changes are required.

log4net is configured using an XML configuration file. The configuration information can be embedded within other XML configuration files (such as the application's .config file) or in a separate file. The configuration is easily readable and updateable while retaining the flexibility to express all configurations. Alternatively log4net can be configured programmatically.

2.18: Components of Log4Net?

Components of Log4Net

- Log4net is built using the layered approach, with the following components inside of the framework
 - Logger, Appender, & Layout
- Users can extend these basic classes to create their own loggers, appenders, and layouts

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The Logger is the main component with which your application interacts. It is also the component that generates the log messages.

Generating a log message is different than actually showing the final output. The output is showed by the Layout component.

The logger provides you with different methods to log any message. You can create multiple loggers inside of your application.

Any good logging framework should be able to generate output for multiple destinations, such as outputting the trace statements to the console or serializing it into a log file. log4net is a perfect match for this requirement. It uses a component called *Appender* to define this output medium. As the name suggests, these components append themselves to the Logger component and relay the output to an output stream. You can append multiple appenders to a single logger.

The Layout component is used to display the final formatted output to the user. The output can be shown in multiple formats, depending upon the layout we are using. It can be linear or an XML file. The layout component works with an appender. There is a list of different layouts in the API documentation. You cannot use multiple layouts with an appender. To create your own layout, you need to inherit the log4net.Layout.LayoutSkeleton class, which implements the ILayout interface.

2.19: Demo

Demo on Log4Net



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Summary

- In this lesson, you have learnt:
 - What is the use of FxCop as a Code Analysis Tool
 - How to use the FxCop tool to detect errors in Managed Code
 - StyleCop as a Source Code Analysis Tool
 - How to use StyleCop



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Lesson 1: Unit Testing with NUnit &
Overview of NCover

NUnit Course Objectives

- At the end of this course you should be able to
- Use NUnit testing framework for unit testing your code before it is released



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Goals one is going to attain at the end of course is being able to use NUnit testing framework for unit testing your code before it is released.

What is Unit Testing?

Testing of individual software components. Each module is tested alone in an attempt to discover any errors in its code. In computer programming, a unit test is a method of testing the correctness of a particular module of source code.

The primary goal of unit testing is to take the smallest piece of testable software in the application, isolate it from the remainder of the code, and determine whether it behaves exactly as you expect. Each unit is tested separately before integrating them into modules to test the interfaces between modules. Unit testing has proven its value in that a large percentage of defects are identified during its use.

Qualities of Good Unit Test:

These run fast.

These help to localize problems.

Why do we need Unit Testing?

Unit tests find problems early in the development cycle.

Developers will be less afraid to change existing code.

The development process becomes more flexible.

Software development will become more predictable and repeatable

Overview

- Overview
- What is Unit Testing?
- Advantages
- Disadvantages
- Introduction to XUnit Tools
- The NUnit Testing Framework
- Using Nunit
- Microsoft Test Framework
- Code coverage with NCover



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1.1: Unit Testing

What is Unit Testing?

- A unit test is a piece of code written by a developer that exercises a very small, specific area of functionality of the code being tested
- Usually a unit test exercises some particular method in a particular context



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Unit Tests are "programs written to run in batches and test classes. Each typically sends a class a fixed message and verifies it returns the predicted answer." In practical terms this means that you write programs that test the public interfaces of all of the classes in your application. This is not requirements testing or acceptance testing. Rather it is testing to ensure the methods you write are doing what you expect them to do. This can be very challenging to do well. First of all, you have to decide what tools you will use to build your tests. In the past we had large testing engines with complicated scripting languages that were great for dedicated QA teams, but weren't very good for unit testing. What journeyman programmers need is a toolkit that lets them develop tests using the same language and IDE that they are using to develop the application. Most modern Unit Testing frameworks are derived from the framework created by Kent Beck for the first XP project, the Chrysler C3 Project. It was written in Smalltalk and still exists today, although it has gone through many revisions. Later, Kent and Erich Gamma (of Patterns fame) ported it to Java and called it jUnit. Since then, it has been ported to many different languages, including C++, VB, Python, Perl and more.

1.2: Unit Testing

Why Should I do Unit Testing?

- It will make your designs better and drastically reduce the amount of time you spend debugging
- To avoid having to compile and run the entire application just to check a single function



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This reduces the cycle time between writing code and testing it. The shorter this cycle the better able you are to test specific functionality.

1.3: Unit Testing

When Should I do Unit Testing?

- Before you start to write code!!
- As you write code!!
- Any other time you can!!



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1.4: Advantages of Unit Testing

Advantages of Unit Testing

- Unit testing helps eliminate uncertainty in the pieces themselves and can be used in a bottom-up testing style approach
- By testing the parts of a program first and then testing the sum of its parts, integration testing becomes much easier
- Unit testing provides a sort of "living document". Clients and other developers looking to learn how to use the class can look at the unit tests to determine how to use the class to fit their needs and gain a basic understanding of the API



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Because some classes may have references to other classes, testing a class can frequently spill over into testing another class. A common example of this is classes that depend on a database: in order to test the class, the tester often writes code that interacts with the database. This is a mistake, because a unit test should never go outside of its own class boundary. As a result, the software developer abstracts an interface around the database connection, and then implements that interface with their own mock object. This results in loosely coupled code, minimizing dependencies in the system

1.5: Limitations of Unit Testing

Limitations of Unit Testing

- Unit-testing will not catch every error in the program. By definition, it only tests the functionality of the units themselves
- Therefore, it will not catch integration errors, performance problems and any other system-wide issues
- In addition, it may not be easy to anticipate all special cases of input the program unit under study may receive in reality. Unit testing is only effective if it is used in conjunction with other software testing activities



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It is unrealistic to test all possible input combinations for any non-trivial piece of software. A unit test can only show the presence of errors; it cannot show the absence of errors.

1.6: XUnits Tools

XUnits Tools

- In order to run tests in the code, people typically use XUnit tools
- JUnit for Java, NUnit for .NET (nunit.org)
- These tools often come in two flavors: command-line and GUI
- XUnit tools allow you to run all your tests and see which passed and which failed
- Best of all, these tools are free



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1.7: The NUnit Testing Framework

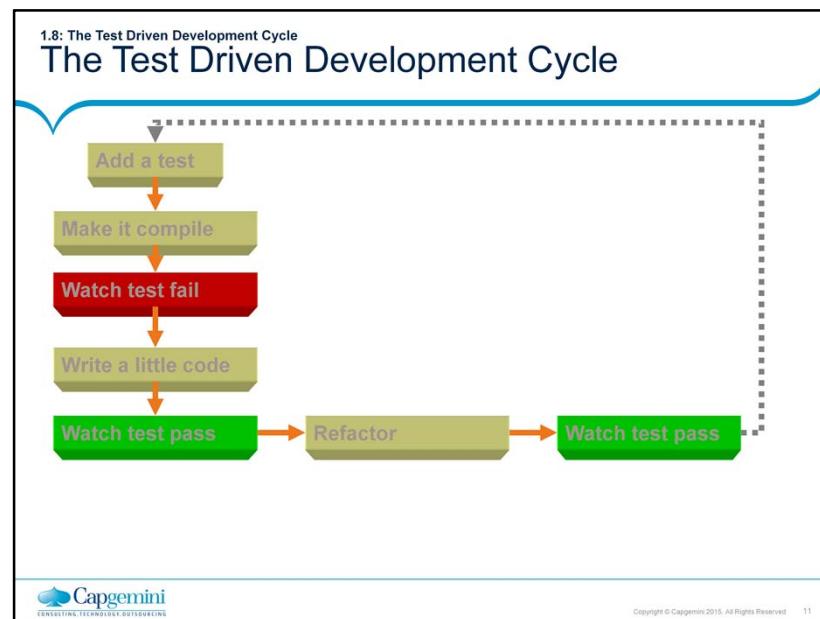
The NUnit Testing Framework

- NUnit is a unit-testing framework for all .Net languages
- NUnit brings xUnit to all .NET languages



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NUnit is an application designed to facilitate unit testing. It consists of both a command line and Window's interface, allowing it to be used both interactively and in automated test batches or integrated with the build process.



Instead of writing functional code first and then your testing code as an afterthought, if you write it at all, you instead write your test code before your functional code. Furthermore, you do so in very small steps – one test and a small bit of corresponding functional code at a time. A programmer taking a TDD approach refuses to write a new function until there is first a test that fails because that function isn't present.

Why TDD?

A significant advantage of TDD is that it enables you to take small steps when writing software.

1.9: Creating Tests

Creating Tests

- Create a separate class library or simply create a new class in the same file as your production code
- Create the tests by using attributes to mark tests
- Write the test in VB or C#
- Use asserts in order to claim that certain things are true, are equal, and so forth



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Assertions are central to unit testing in any of the xUnit frameworks, and NUnit is no exception. NUnit provides a rich set of assertions as static methods of the `Assert` class.

If an assertion fails, the method call does not return and an error is reported. If a test contains multiple assertions, any that follow the one that failed will not be executed. For this reason, it's usually best to try for one assertion per test.

1.10: The TestFixture Attribute

The TestFixture Attribute

- The TestFixture attribute marks a class as containing tests
- Class must reference NUnit.Framework.DLL

```
namespace UnitTestingExamples
{
    using System;
    using NUnit.Framework;

    [TestFixture]
    public class SomeTests
    {
    }
}
```



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The `TestFixture` attribute designates that a class is a test fixture. Classes thus designated contain setup, teardown, and unit tests.

1.11: The Test Attribute

The Test Attribute

- The Test Attribute marks a method as a test
- The method must be:
 - Public
 - Parameterless
 - Void in C#, a Sub in VB .NET

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The Test attribute indicates that a method in the test fixture is a unit test. The unit test engine invokes all the methods indicated with this attribute once per test fixture, invoking the set up method prior to the test method and the tear down method after the test method, if they have been defined.

The test method signature must be specific: public void xxx(), where "xxx" is a descriptive name of the test. In other words, a public method taking no parameters and returning no parameters.

Upon return from the method being tested, the unit test typically performs an assertion to ensure that the method worked correctly.

1.11: The Test Attribute

The Test Attribute (contd..)

- The following code illustrates the use of this attribute

```
[TestFixture]  
public class SomeTests  
{  
    [Test]  
    public void TestOne()  
    {  
        // Do something...  
    }  
}
```



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1.12: The Asset Class

The Asset Class

- The Assert class contains a number of static (shared) methods
- These methods are used to return a True or False from the test
- Methods include:
 - AreEqual
 - AreSame
 - IsTrue
 - IsFalse
 - IsNull
 - IsNotNull
 - Fail
 - Ignore



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1.13: Example of a Simple Test

Example: A Simple Test

```
[TestFixture]  
public class MyTests  
{  
    [Test]  
    public void AddTest()  
    {  
        int sum=myMath.Add(2,3);  
        Assert.AreEqual(5,sum);  
    }  
}
```



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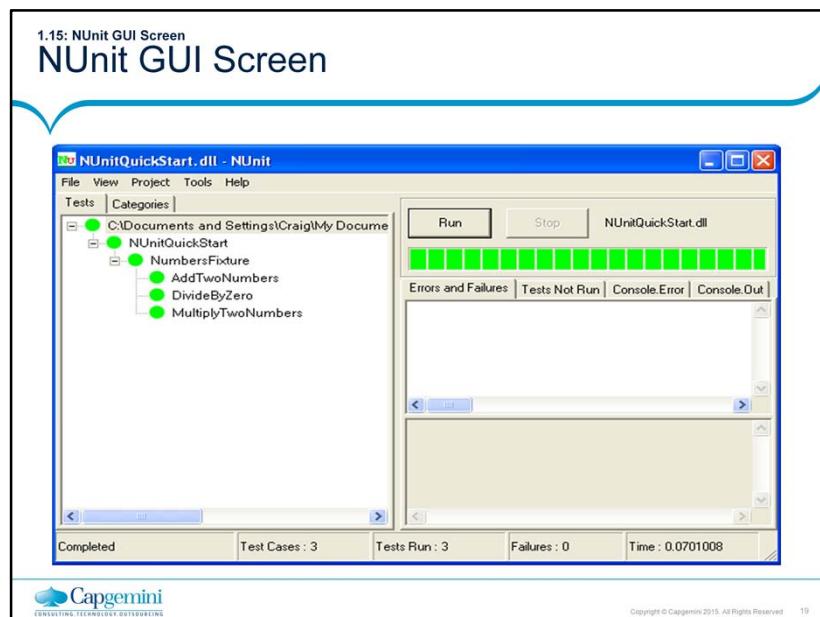
1.14: Running Tests

Running Tests

- NUnit comes with two different Test Runner applications: a Windows GUI app and a console XML app
- To use the GUI app, just run the application and tell it where your test assembly resides
- The test assembly is the class library (or executable) that contains the Test Fixtures
- The app will then show you a graphical view of each class and test that is in that assembly
- To run the entire suite of tests, simple click the Run button



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1.16: Red/Green/Refactor

Red/Green/Refactor

- Red/Green/Refactor is the TDD mantra, and it describes the three states you go through when writing code using TDD methods
- Red
Write a failing test
- Green
Write the code to satisfy the test
- Refactor
Improve the code without changing its functionality



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1.17: Demo

Demo on Using NUnit Framework

- Using NUnit Framework



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1.18: The ExpectedException Attribute

The ExpectedException Attribute

- Use the ExpectedException attribute when a method should raise an exception on a particular failure condition

```
[Test]  
[ExpectedException(typeof(InvalidOperationException))  
 ]]  
public void Foo()  
{ //... }
```



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The ExpectedException attribute is an optional attribute that can be added to a unit test method (designated using the Test attribute).

As unit testing should in part verify that the method under test throws the appropriate exceptions, this attribute causes the unit test engine to catch the exception and pass the test if the correct exception is thrown.

1.19: SetUp and TearDown

SetUp and TearDown

- SetUp and TearDown are used to mark methods that should be called before and after each test
 - You may have only one SetUp and one TearDown
- Used to reinitialize variables or objects for each test
 - Tests should not be dependent on each other!



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The SetUp attribute is associated with a specific method inside the test fixture class. It instructs the unit test engine that this method should be called prior to invoking each unit test. A test fixture can only have one SetUp method.

The TearDown attribute is associated with a specific method inside the test fixture class. It instructs the unit test engine that this method should be called after invoking each unit test. A test fixture can only have one TearDown method.

1.20: TestFixtureSetUp and TestFixtureTearDown Attributes

TestFixtureSetUp and TestFixtureTearDown

- The TestFixtureSetUp and TestFixtureTearDown attributes mark methods that run before and after each test fixture is run
 - You may have only one TestFixtureSetUp and one TestFixtureTearDown
- Usually used to open and close database connections, files, or logging tools



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1.21: Ignore Attribute

Ignore Attribute

- The Ignore attribute is an optional attribute that can be added to a unit test method
- This attribute instructs the unit test engine to ignore the associated method
- Requires a string indicating the reason for ignoring the test to be provided



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You probably won't use this attribute very often, but when you need it, you'll be glad it's there. If you need to indicate that a test should not be run, use the `Ignore` attribute.

If you feel the need to temporarily comment out a test, use this instead. It lets you keep the test in your arsenal and it will continually remind you in the test runner output.

1.21: Ignore Attribute

Ignore Attribute (contd..)

```
[TestFixture]
public class SomeTests
{
    [Test]
    [Ignore("We're skipping this one for now.")]
    public void TestOne()
    {
        // Do something...
    }
}
```



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1.22: Demo

Demo

- Extending the Simple Example of TDD and NUnit
 - Adding setup and teardown routines
 - Handling expected exceptions



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1.23: VS 2013 Testing Framework

VS 2013 Test Framework

- Visual Studio 2013 provides an inbuilt framework for writing unit test cases.
- The framework includes a set of attributes, assertion classes and configuration files for manipulating the test environment.
- The test code is created by adding attributes to the classes and methods used for writing tests.
- The framework integrated with the IDE allows creation of test suites and addition of test cases to them with minimal effort.
- Class must reference Microsoft.VisualStudio.TestTools.UnitTesting

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The Microsoft.VisualStudio.TestTools.UnitTesting namespace exposes a host of predefined attributes and classes. For example, the Assert class contains methods which can be used to verify conditions in unit testing.

An Assertion is a Boolean expression that describes what must be true when some action has been executed.

If an assertion method fails, the method call does not return, and an error is reported. Hence, if a test contains multiple assertions, any assertions following the one that has failed will not be executed. It's usually best to try for one assertion per test.

A test case is the smallest unit required to test a functionality. We need to identify initial conditions, test actions and expected output for each test case.

A test suite is a group of related test cases.

1.23: VS 2013 Testing Framework

Creating Tests Using Visual Studio 2013

- Create a separate class library or simply create a new class in the same project which contains the code to be tested.
- Create the tests by using predefined attributes.
- Write the test case code .
- Use appropriate Asserts.



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1.24: Test Attributes

TestClass Attribute

- The class which contains the methods used for unit testing is marked with an attribute called TestClassAttribute.

```
using Microsoft.VisualStudio.TestTools.UnitTesting;
```

```
namespace TestProject
{
    [TestClass]
    public class SampleTestClass
    {
        // unit test code written here
    }
}
```



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Add a reference to Microsoft.VisualStudio.TestTools.UnitTesting namespace to use the above mentioned attribute.

The class which contains the above attribute is called a Test Class , and will contain the unit test code.

Test Classes must be public, with a public parameter less constructor.

1.24: Test Attributes

TestMethod Attribute

- The `TestMethodAttribute` is used to mark a method as a test method.
- A method marked with this attribute must be public, void and without parameters.

```
[TestClass]  
public class SampleTestClass  
{  
    [TestMethod]  
    public void TestOne()  
    {  
        //Unit Test logic written here  
    }  
}
```



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1.24: Test Attributes

TestInitialize Attribute

- Each test case might require a common initialization, like opening a data connection or simply instantiating an object.
- Such code must not be placed in each test case, but in a separate method.
- The `TestInitialize` attribute is used to mark the methods to run before any test.
- Used to allocate or configure any resources needed by all or many tests in a test class.

```
[TestInitialize]
public void Init()
{
    //Initialization logic written here
}
```



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Any method marked with this attribute will run once for every iteration in the test. If you need to do initialization operations once, that apply to the entire test, use the `ClassInitializeAttribute`.

1.24: Test Attributes

TestCleanup Attribute

- This attribute is used to run code after each test has completed.
- Used to deallocate resources used.

```
[TestCleanup]
public void Destroy()
{
    //Deinitialization logic goes here
}
```



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Use TestCleanup to run code after each test has run. If you need to perform clean up operations once, that apply to the entire test, use the ClassCleanupAttribute.

1.24: Test Attributes

ExpectedException Attribute

- It is not sufficient to validate only the passing test cases.
- Error cases must be handled correctly.
- The ExpectedException attribute ensures that , the test case passes only if an exception which matches the type specified is thrown.

```
[ExpectedException(typeof(ArithmeticException))]  
public void TestException()  
{  
}  
}
```



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You can also overload the attribute constructor with a string, to specify the error message which must be reported.

1.25: Test Windows

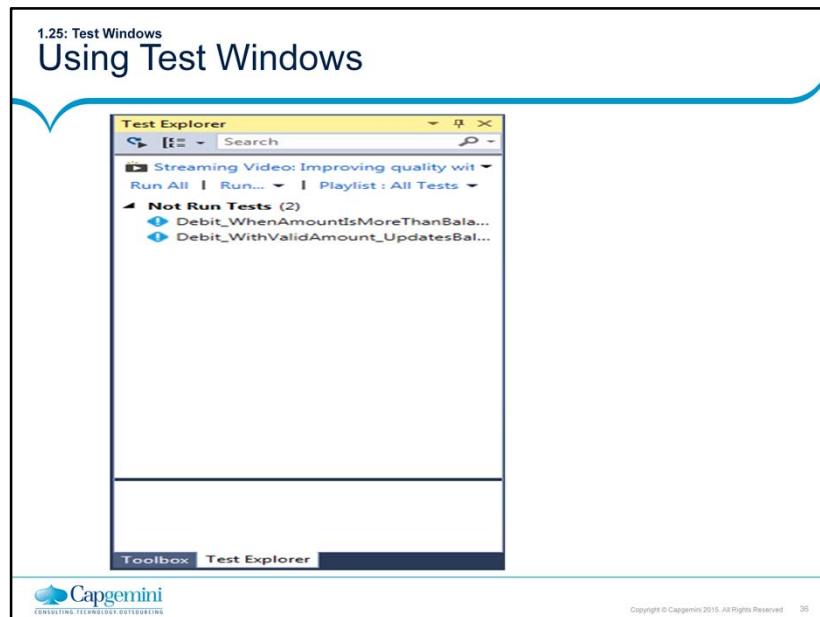
Using Test Windows

- Test View Window
- Test Manager Window
- Test Results
- Code Coverage

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- a. The Test View Window: this window shows a list of all loaded tests. You can use this window for running , grouping or filtering tests. The window can be opened through the Test -> Windows Menu Item (at the top of the IDE).
- b. The Test Manager Window: Similar to Test View, but can organize tests. Used to show the list of tests, the list of loaded tests, and the list of unorganized tests.
- c. The Test Results Window: used to view test results. You can also re run a test, pause/ stop a test. The window exposes functionality to publish or import test reports using TFS (if connected).
- d. The Code Coverage Window: shows the percentage of code covered by the tests. Uses coloring to indicate the code covered, partially covered or not covered by the test case.



1.26: Demo

Demo

- Creating a test project in VS 2013



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1.23: Programming Sequence

The Typical Programming Sequence

- Write a test
- Run the test. It fails to compile because the code you're trying to test doesn't even exist yet!
- Write a bare-bones stub to make the test compile
- Run the test. It should fail. (If it doesn't, then the test wasn't very good.)
- Implement the code to make the test pass
- Run the test. It should pass. (If it doesn't, back up one step and try again.)
- Start over with a new test!



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1.24: Code Coverage with NCover

Code Coverage with NCover

- Code coverage analysis provides valuable insight about the code
- Unit tests work best when 100 percent code coverage of the methods in the project is achieved
- NCover works by monitoring the application's execution using the CLR Profiler
- NCover provides a powerful combination with NUnit



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1.25: Demo on Using NCover

Demo on Using NCover

- Using NCover



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Summary

- NUnit provides a powerful framework for unit testing
- Developers assisted in implementing repeatable, best-practice processes



Summary

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Lab 1: Using NUnit to Test Code

Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand working of NUnit to Test the code • Understand the steps involved in writing correct code.
Time	90 Minutes
Lab Setup	VS.NET 2013 & NUnit 2.x Framework

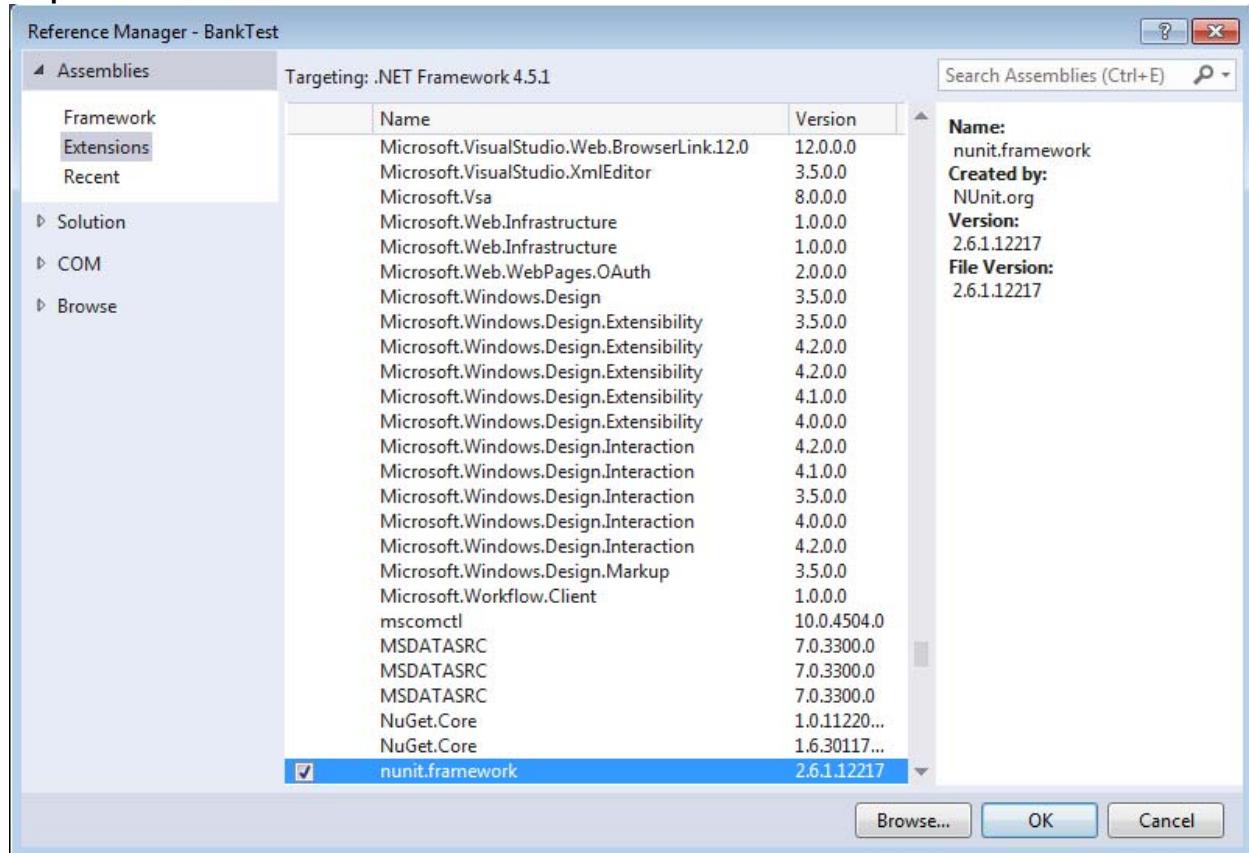
Lab 1 A. Problem statement

Write the production code & check the same for correctness.

Solution:

Step 1: Create your project of Library Type.

Step 2: Add the NUnit reference



Step 3: Add your TestCase

1. Add the reference in your code to the NUnit namespace:

<< to do>>

2. Add your testing class to your source file:

```
namespace TestDemo1
{
    [TestFixture]
    public class MyTestClass
    {
        [Test]
        public void TestFunction()
        {

        }
    }
}
```

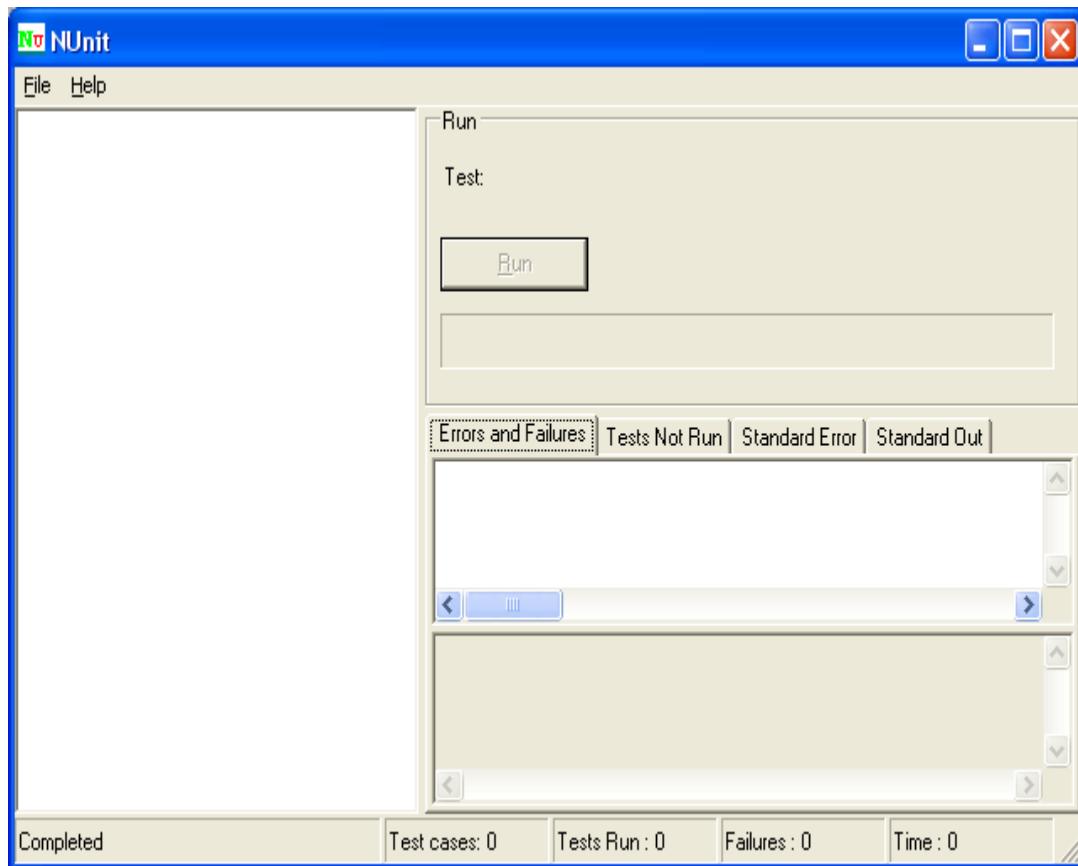
3. Compile your project.

<< to do >>

Step 4: Starting NUnit-GUI

1. Start the NUnit-GUI application

<<to do>>



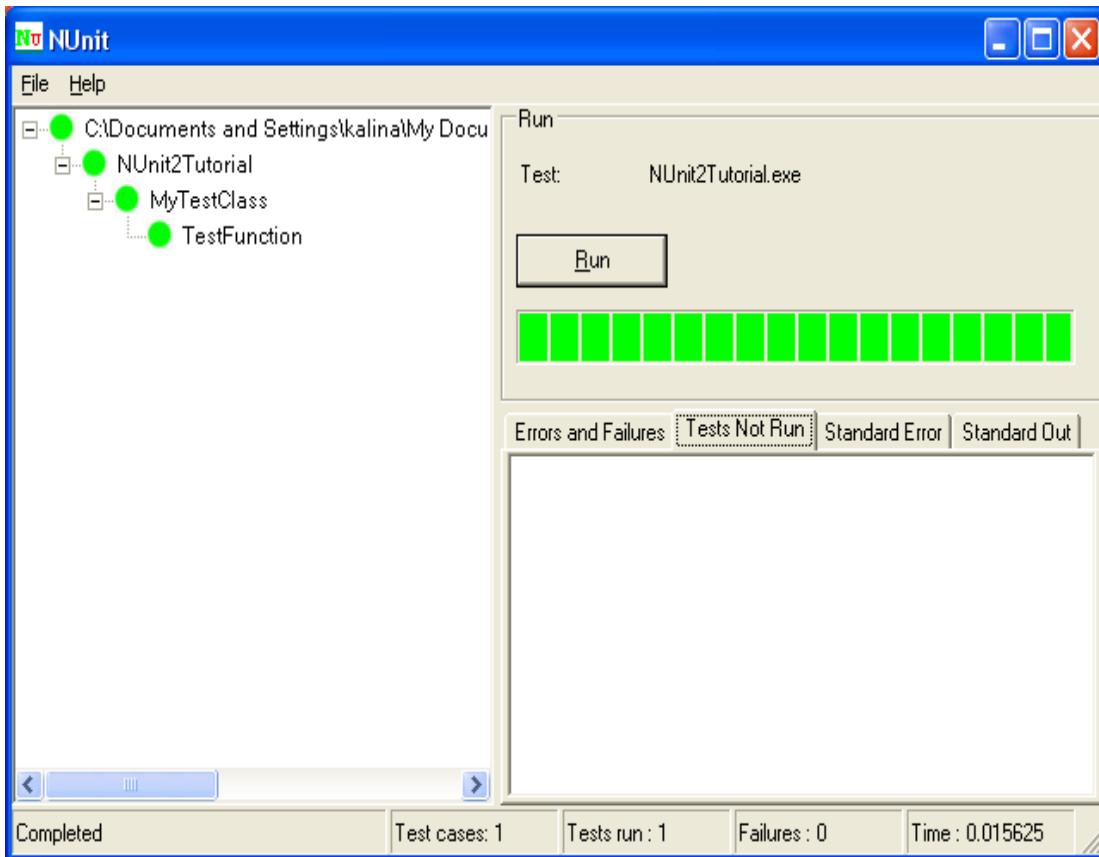
2. Select the library of your project in order to run the containing tests.

<< to do>>

You will immediately notice that NUnit2 is looking through the complete compilation unit and finds any TestFixtures. In our case the TestFixture is called MyTestClass and the only test is TestFunction.

Step 5: Testing with NUnit-GUI

Click on the “Run” button.



You will see a green bar which tells you that all tests succeeded.

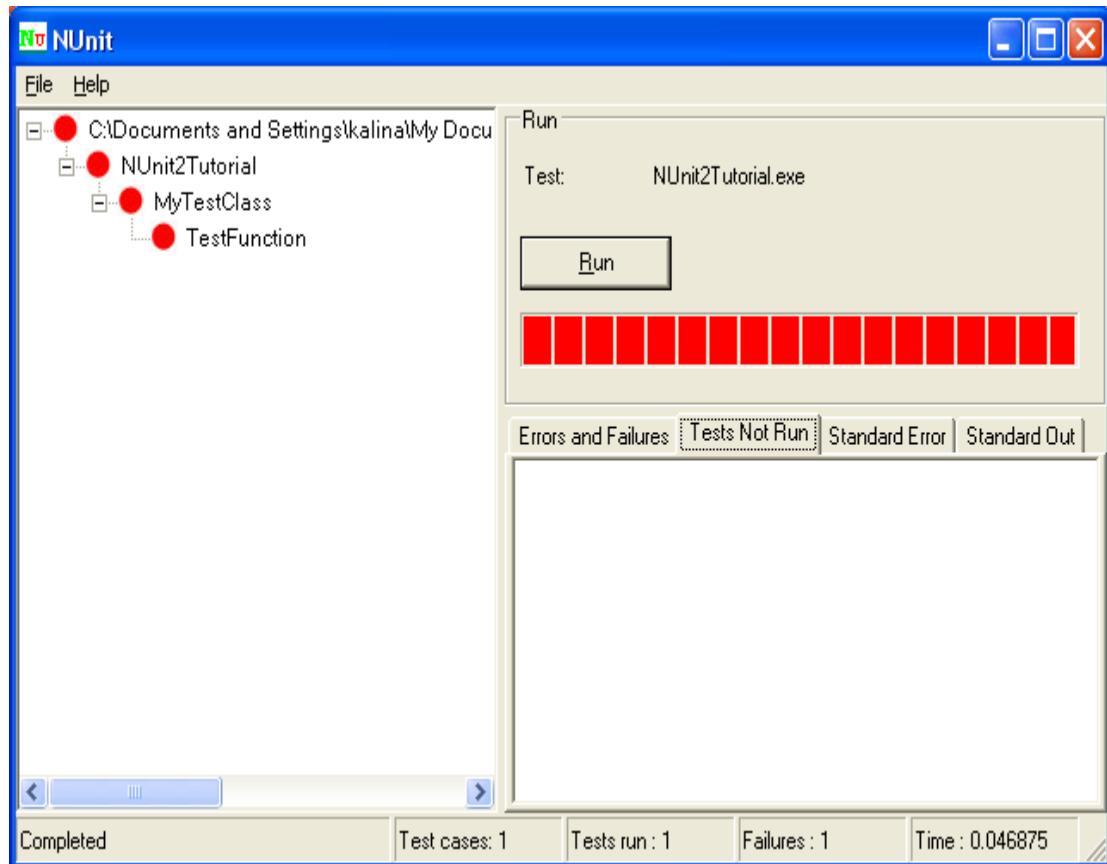
Step 6: Write the following code in the TestFunction.

<<to do>>

```
namespace TestDemo1
{
    [TestFixture]
    public class MyTestClass
    {
        [Test]
        public void TestFunction()
        {
            Assert.AreEqual(1==2);
        }
    }
}
```

Step 7: << to do>>Compile your project with this new code and switch to NUnit-GUI. You will

notice that NUnit has noticed that the library has changed and it has reloaded it for you. Now click run again.



Step 8: <<to do>>Fix this broken test. You would simply change the assertion and go back to NUnit-GUI and hit the run button.

Lab 1 B: Problem statement

Suppose we are writing a bank application and we have a basic domain class – Account. Account supports operations to deposit, withdraw, and transfer funds.

Write the test cases for the above mentioned functions.

Solution:

Step 1: Create a new C# project of Library type.

Step 2: Create the Account class as follows

<< to do>>

```
namespace Bank
{
    public class Account
```

```
{
    private float balance;
    public void Deposit(float amount)
    {
        balance+=amount;
    }

    public void Withdraw(float amount)
    {
        balance-=amount;
    }
    public void TransferFunds(Account destination, float amount)
    {
    }

    public float Balance
    {
        get{ return balance;}
    }
}
```

Step 3: Create the New project to write Test Class. Write a Test for this class.

<< to do>> The method to be tested is TransferFunds()

```
namespace Bank
{
    using NUnit.Framework;

    [TestFixture]
    public class AccountTest
    {
        [Test]
        public void TransferFunds()
        {
            Account source = new Account();
            source.Deposit(200.00F);
            Account destination = new Account();
            destination.Deposit(150.00F);

            source.TransferFunds(destination, 100.00F);
            Assert.AreEqual(250.00F, destination.Balance);
            Assert.AreEqual(100.00F, source.Balance);
        }
    }
}
```

Step 4: Compile the code & generate a DLL.

Step 5: Start NUnit & Select the TestCase DLL created above.

Run the Test.

The Test should fail. The test has failed because we have not implemented the TransferFunds method yet.

Step 6: Write the code for the TransferFunds Function

<< to do>>

```
public void TransferFunds(Account destination, float amount)
{
    destination.Deposit(amount);
    Withdraw(amount);
}
```

Step 7: Recompile the code & Run the Test again. The test should pass now.

<< to do>>

Step 8: Add the MinimumBalance property to the Account class. It should be readonly.

<< to do>>

Step 9: We will use an exception to indicate an overdraft: Add a new class as follows:

```
namespace Bank
{
    using System;
    public class InsufficientFundsException : ApplicationException
    {
    }
}
```

Step 10: Write a Test method to ensure that the function should throw exception of certain type.

```
[Test]
[ExpectedException(typeof(InsufficientFundsException))]
public void TransferWithInsufficientFunds()
{
    Account source = new Account();
    source.Deposit(200.00F);
    Account destination = new Account();
    destination.Deposit(150.00F);
    source.TransferFunds(destination, 300.00F);
}
```

Note: This test method in addition to [Test] attribute has an [ExpectedException] attribute associated with it – this is the way to indicate that the test code is expecting an exception of a certain type; if such an exception is not thrown during the execution – the test will fail.

Step 11: Compile the code & Run the test.

The Test should fail.

Step 12: Fix the Account code.

```
public void TransferFunds(Account destination, float amount)
{
    destination.Deposit(amount);
    if(balance-amount<minimumBalance)
        throw new InsufficientFundsException();
    Withdraw(amount);
}
```

Step 13: Compile the code & Run the test.

The Test should pass.

Step 14: The code we've just written we can see that the bank may be losing money on every unsuccessful funds Transfer operation. Write a test to confirm our suspicions. Add this test method:

```
[Test]
public void TransferWithInsufficientFundsAtomicity()
{
    Account source = new Account();
    source.Deposit(200.00F);
    Account destination = new Account();
    destination.Deposit(150.00F);
    try
    {
        source.TransferFunds(destination, 300.00F);
    }
    catch(InsufficientFundsException expected)
    {
    }

    Assert.AreEqual(200.00F,source.Balance);
    Assert.AreEqual(150.00F,destination.Balance);
}
```

Step 15: Compile the code & Run the Test.

The test should fail

Step 16: Write the Correct code to fix the Error.

```
public void TransferFunds(Account destination, float amount)
{
    if(balance-amount<minimumBalance)
        throw new InsufficientFundsException();
    destination.Deposit(amount);
    Withdraw(amount);
}
```

Step 17: To temporarily ignore the test, add the following attribute to your test method

```
[Test]
[Ignore("Decide how to implement transaction management")]
public void TransferWithInsufficientFundsAtomicity()
{
    // code is the same
}
```

Step 18: Compile & Run the test. You should get a yellow bar. Click on “Tests Not Run” tab to check the reason.

<<to do>>

Step 19: <<to do>> Perform some refactoring on the code. All test methods share a common set of test objects. Extract this initialization code into a setup method and reuse it in all of our tests.

Note that Init method should have the common initialization code, void return type, no parameters, and marked with [SetUp] attribute.

Step 20: Compile & run the test.

Assignment to do:

Following is the user defined simple implementation of Stack. Write the test cases for this class in NUnit to test whether all operations are performed correctly.

```
public class MyStackClass
{
    private ArrayList elements = new ArrayList();
    public bool IsEmpty
    {
        get
        {
            return (elements.Count == 0);
        }
    }
    public void Push(object element)
    {
        elements.Insert(0, element);
    }
    public object Pop()
    {
        object top = Top();
        elements.RemoveAt(0);
        return top;
    }
}
```

```
        }
        public object Top()
        {
            if(IsEmpty)
                throw new InvalidOperationException("Stack is Empty");

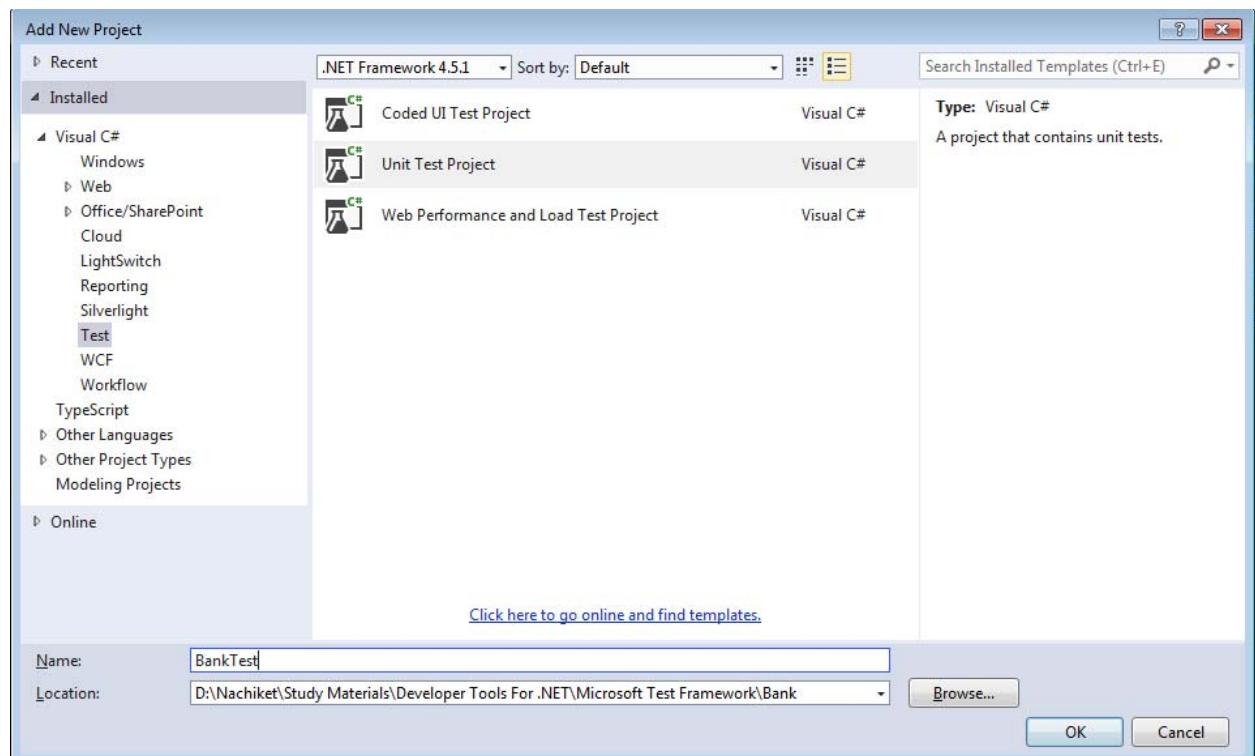
            return elements[0];
        }
    }
```

Lab 1 C: Problem statement

The purpose of this lab assignment is to acquaint you with the process of writing test cases using Microsoft Test Framework. In this lab assignment, we will be using Account class created in the lab assignment 1B.

Follow the steps given below to create a unit test project using Microsoft Visual Studio 2013:

1. On the **File** menu, choose **Add**, and then choose **New Project ...**
 2. In the New Project dialog box, expand **Installed**, expand **Visual C#**, and then choose **Test**.
 3. From the list of templates, select **Unit Test Project**.
 4. In the **Name** box, enter BankTest, and then choose **OK**.
- The **BankTests** project is added to the the **Bank** solution.



5. In the **BankTests** project, add a reference to the **Bank** solution.
In Solution Explorer, select **References** in the **BankTests** project and then choose **Add Reference...** from the context menu.
6. In the Reference Manager dialog box, expand the **Solution** and then check the **Bank** item.
7. Rename the **UnitTest1.cs** file in the **BankTests** project to **BankAccountTests**.
8. Observe that the following namespace is included by default in the **BankAccountTests.cs** file:

using Microsoft.VisualStudio.TestTools.UnitTesting;

Add the following line in the **BankAccountTests.cs** file:
using Bank;

9. Apply the **[TestClass]** attribute to **BankAccountTest** class and add the **Debit_WithValidAmount_UpdatesBalance()** method to the class. After adding this method, the

BankAccountTest.cs class should look like this:

```
namespace BankTest
{
    [TestClass]
    public class BankAccountTests
    {
        [TestMethod]
        public void Debit_WithValidAmount_UpdatesBalance()
        {
            // arrange
            double beginningBalance = 11.99;
            double debitAmount = 4.55;
            double expected = 7.44;
            BankAccount account = new BankAccount("Mr. Bryan
                Walton", beginningBalance);

            // act
            account.Debit(debitAmount);

            // assert
            double actual = account.Balance;
            Assert.AreEqual(expected, actual, 0.001, "Account not
                Debited correctly");
        }
    }
}
```

Build and Run the Test:

To build and run the test

1. On the **Build** menu, choose **Build Solution**.
If there are no errors, the **UnitTestExplorer** window appears with **Debit_WithValidAmount_UpdatesBalance** listed in the **Not Run Tests** group. If Test Explorer does not appear after a successful build, choose **Test** on the menu, then choose **Windows**, and then choose **Test Explorer**.
2. Choose **Run All** to run the test. As the test is running the status bar at the top of the window is animated. At the end of the test run, the bar turns green if all the test methods pass, or red if any of the tests fail.
3. Observe that in Test Explorer, the red/green bar has turned green, and the test is moved to
the **Passed Tests** group.

Lab 2: Using NCover to Test Code Coverage

Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand working of NCover to Test the code coverage• Understand the steps involved in checking the code coverage.
Time	90 Minutes
Lab Setup	VS.NET 2013, NUnit 2.x Framework, NCover 1.x & Testdriven.NET

Lab 2 A. Problem statement

Write the production code & check the same for code coverage.

Solution:

Step 1: Create your project of Library Type and add methods to it.

```
namespace NCoverDemo.Sample
{
    public class Calculation
    {
        public int AddNumbers(int firstNumber, int secondNumber)
        {
            return firstNumber + secondNumber;
        }

        public int MultiplyNumbers(int firstNumber, int secondNumber)
        {
            return firstNumber + secondNumber;
        }
    }
}
```

Step 2: Create another project in the same solution of Library type and add test cases to it

```
namespace NCoverDemo.SampleTest
{
    [TestFixture]
    public class CalculationTest
    {
        Calculation calc = null;

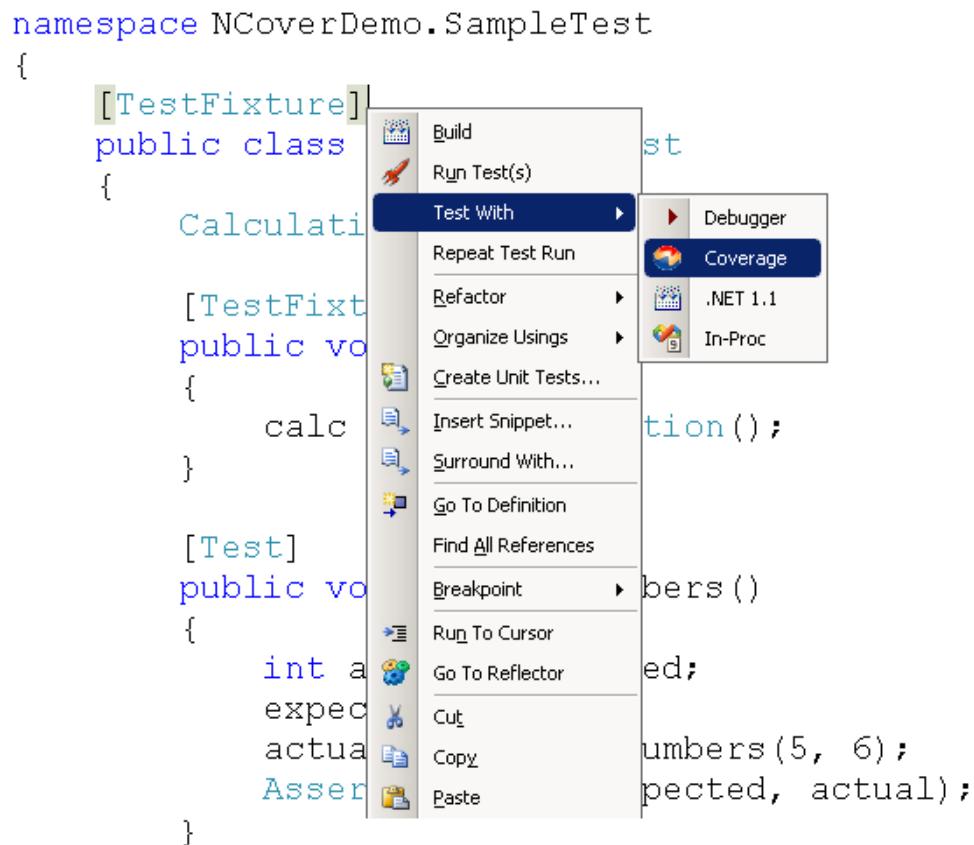
        [TestFixtureSetUp]
        public void Setup()
        {
            calc = new Calculation();
        }
    }
}
```

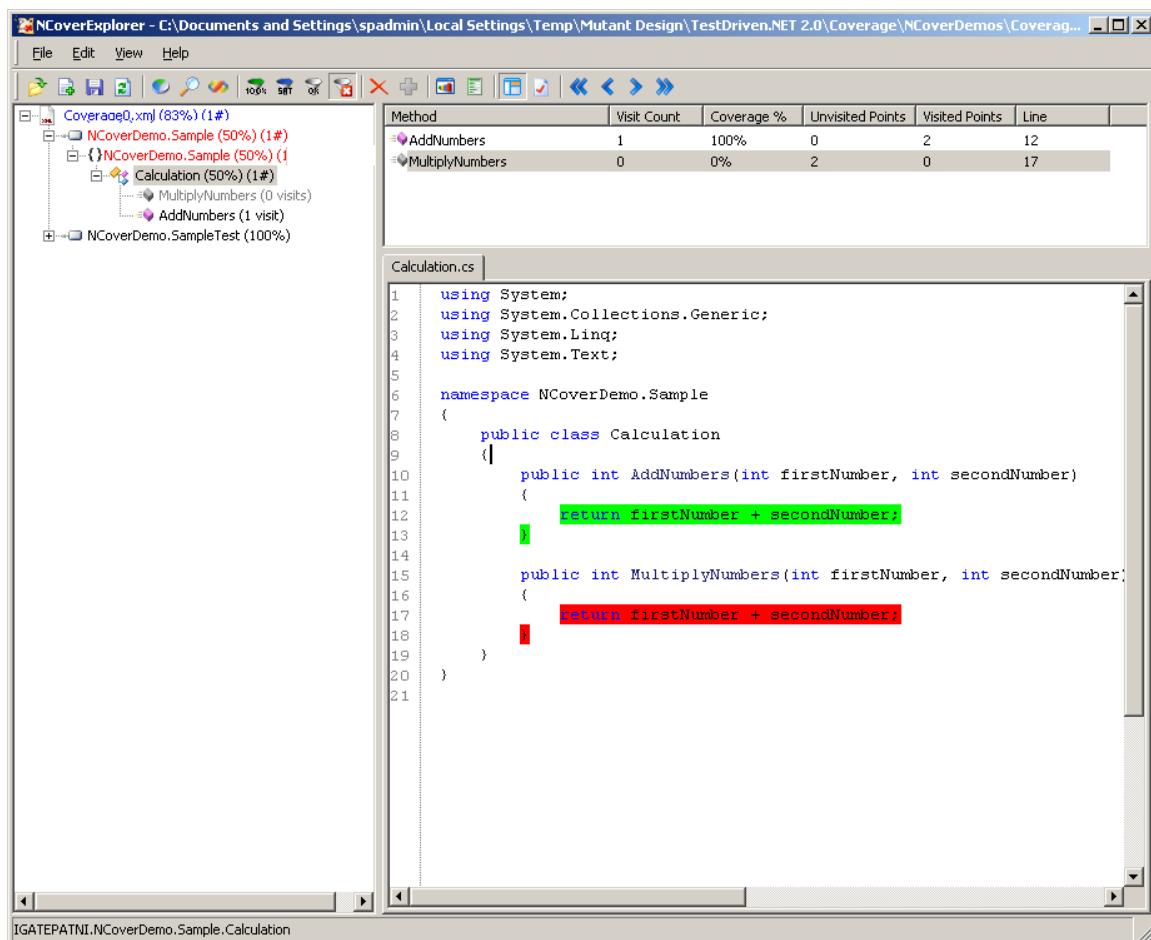
```
[Test]
public void TestAddNumbers()
{
    int actual, expected;
    expected = 11;
    actual = calc.AddNumbers(5, 6);
    Assert.AreEqual(expected, actual);

}

[TestFixtureTearDown]
public void TearDown()
{
    calc = null;
}
}
```

Step 3: Right click the TestFixture attribute and test for code coverage using NCover





The screenshot shows the NCover Explorer interface. On the left, a tree view displays the coverage report for 'Coverage0.xml (83%)'. It includes nodes for 'NCoverDemo.Sample (50%)' (1#), 'NCoverDemo.Sample (50%)' (1#) under 'Calculation (50%)' (1#), and 'NCoverDemo.SampleTest (100%)'. The main area features a coverage grid table:

Method	Visit Count	Coverage %	Unvisited Points	Visited Points	Line
AddNumbers	1	100%	0	2	12
MultiplyNumbers	0	0%	2	0	17

Below the grid is a code editor window titled 'Calculation.cs' containing the following C# code:

```

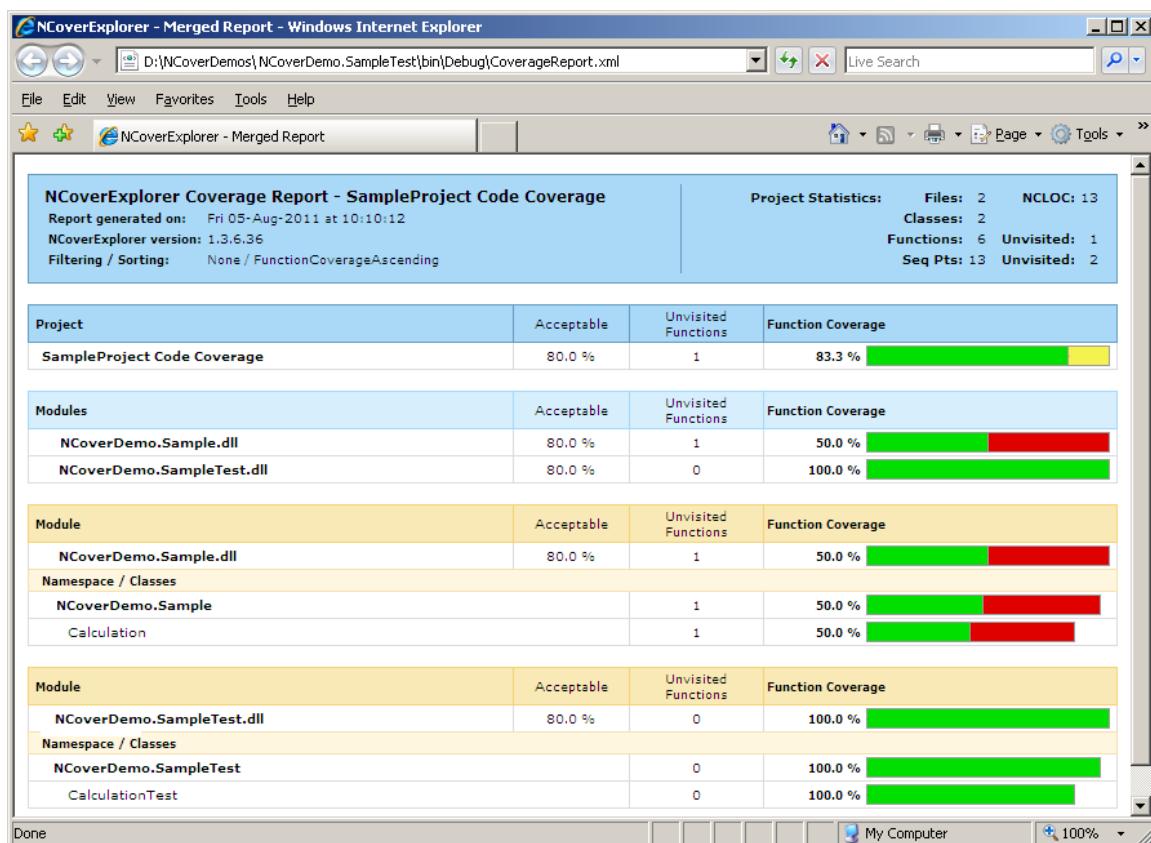
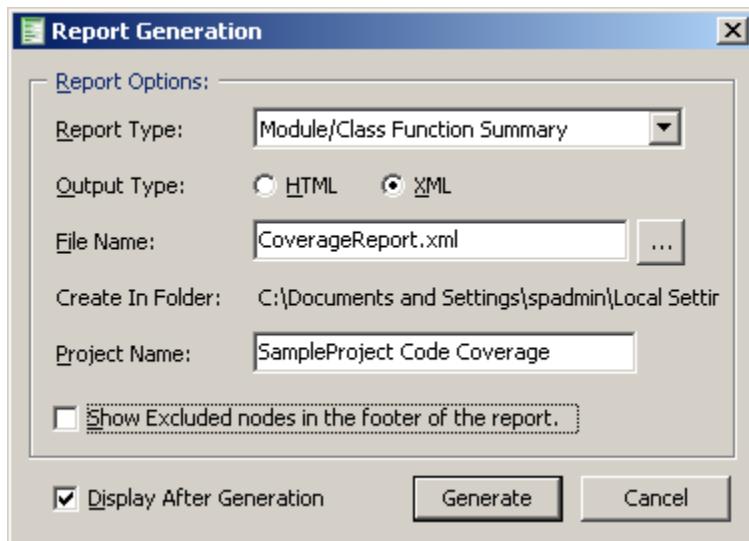
1  using System;
2  using System.Collections.Generic;
3  using System.Linq;
4  using System.Text;
5
6  namespace NCoverDemo.Sample
7  {
8      public class Calculation
9      {
10         public int AddNumbers(int firstNumber, int secondNumber)
11         {
12             return firstNumber + secondNumber;
13         }
14
15         public int MultiplyNumbers(int firstNumber, int secondNumber)
16         {
17             return firstNumber * secondNumber;
18         }
19     }
20
21

```

The code editor highlights visited code in green and unvisited code in red.

NCoverExplorer shows only 50% of code coverage, highlighting the visited code in green background and unvisited code in red background

Step 4: To create the code coverage report Press F6



<<TODO> ADD the test case for MultiplyNumbers method and generate a code coverage report achieving 100% code coverage

Lab 3: Using Log4Net for logging service

Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand working of Log4Net logging service Understand the steps involved in creating logs using Log4Net.
Time	60 Minutes
Lab Setup	VS.NET 2013, Log4net 1.x

Lab 3 A. Problem statement

Write the production code & add logging service to it.

Solution:

Step 1: Add a reference of Log4net.dll to the project

Step 2: In the App.config file, under Configuration->Configsections, add the following section

```
<section name="log4net" type="log4net.Config.Log4NetConfigurationSectionHandler,
log4net" />
```

Step 3: In app.config, add a new section "<log4net>". This section will contain all the settings related to the Log4net configuration.

Step 4: In app.config, under "log4net" section, add the required appender (output target).

```
<appender name="ConsoleAppender" type="log4net.Appender.ConsoleAppender" >
    <layout type="log4net.Layout.PatternLayout">
        <param name="ConversionPattern" value="%p - %d{dd-MM-yyyy hh:mm:ss tt} -
        %m%n"/>
    </layout>
</appender>
```

```
<logger name="ConsoleLogger">
    <level value="ALL" />
    <appender-ref ref="ConsoleAppender" />
</logger>
```

Step 5: In the app.config file, under "log4net" section, for each appender, add logger and the level (DEBUG, INFO ...)

Step 6: To log any information/error/warning, call the appropriate method in the following manner:

```
namespace Log4NetApp.Demo01
{
    public class Sample
    {
        private static readonly ILog log =
LogManager.GetLogger("ConsoleLogger");

        static void Main(string[] args)
        {
            //This calls the default configurator for log4net
            XmlConfigurator.Configure();

            log.Info("Entering application.");

            for (int counter = 1; counter <= 10; counter++)
            {
                log.DebugFormat("Inside of the loop (Counter = {0})", counter);
            }

            try
            {
                throw new NotImplementedException("Testing log4net");

            }
            catch (NotImplementedException ex)
            {
                log.Fatal(ex.Message);
            }

            log.Info("Exiting application.");
        }
    }
}
```

<<todo>

Change the level, in such a way that the console appender should log only Fatal messages