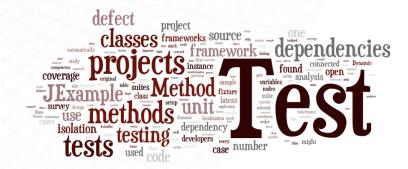




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Assignment 1





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- Issue tracking systems
- Exploratory testing
- Scripted testing
- Manual regression testing





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Bug Reporting

- Testers report bugs to programmers
- "Problem Report" forms are commonly used
- If the report is not clear and understandable, the bug will not get fixed
- To write a fully effective report you must:
 - Explain how to reproduce the problem
 - Analyze the problem so that it can be described with a minimum number of steps
 - Write a report that is complete, easy to understand, and non-antagonistic





What to Report?

- Coding error
- Design issue
- Requirements issue
- Documentation / Code mismatch
- Specification / Code mismatch



Catalogue of Common Software Errors (in D2L)





Bug Report

Bug Report is your main asset



- Bug reports are your primary work product as a tester
- This is what people outside of the testing group will notice and remember of your work
- A bug report is a tool that you use to sell the programmer on the idea of spending time and energy to fix a bug
- A good tester is not someone who finds the most bugs or who embarrasses the most programmers
 - The best tester is the one who gets the most bugs fixed



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Problem Report Form /1

Typical internal problem report

Status: open/closed

Severity class: (low) 1 2 3 4 (high)

Priority: (low) 1 2 3 4 (high)

Resolution: Pending Fixed Irreproducible

Deferred As designed Can't be fixed

Withdrawn Need more info Disagree

Resolved by: (date)

Tested by: (date)

Treated as deferred: Yes / No



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Problem Report Form /2

Typical external problem report

Report no. Date:

Program: Release: Version:

Report type: Coding error Design issue Suggestion

Documentation Query Hardware

Problem summary:

Reproducible: Yes / No

Problem and how to reproduce it:

Suggested fix (optional)

Reported by: (date)



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When you Find a Failure

- When you run a test and find a failure, you're looking at a symptom, not at the underlying fault
- You may or may not have found the best example of a failure that can be caused by the underlying fault
- Some follow-up work to try to prove that a failure:
 - is more serious than it first appears
 - is more general than it first appears
- LOOK FOR FOLLOW-UP ERRORS
 - Follow-up: vary your behavior
 - Follow-up: vary options and settings
- IS THIS BUG NEW TO THIS VERSION?

Show it is more general ALGARY

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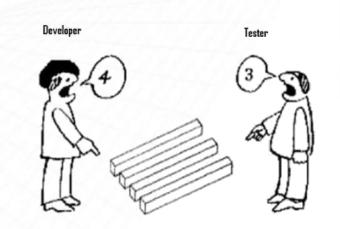
Bugheaven

http://www.bugheaven.com

Or similar repositories

Additional useful info (D2L):

- Sample test case (Excel file)
- Sample test plan
- Common software errors





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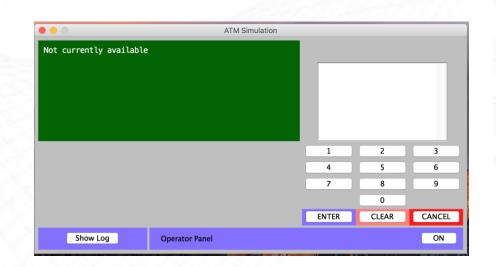
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Manual Scripted Testing

- Assignment 1
 - Running your tests following a script
 - Finding a new failure
- SUT:
 - Version 1





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Manual Regression Testing

- Assignment 1
 - Running your tests from the older version in the new version to see if
 - You spot a new failure
 - Any fault has been fixed
- SUT:
 - Version 2 vs.
 - Version 1



