Lecture Notes
November 16, 2017

Second Iteration Development and Code Inspection due November 30
(includes preliminary demo for second iteration)

Panel with professional software engineers tomorrow
Friday November 17, 11:45-12:45, Davis Auditorium
Refreshments afterwards in my lab (CEPSR 6LE1)

White Box Testing

White box testing can be static or dynamic - recall dynamic means execute the code, static means do not execute the code, just examine

White box = clear box = glass box

What does *static* mean here? Code review (or code inspection)

What does *dynamic* mean here? Running the code with sample inputs and checking the results - What we normally think of as “testing”, but…

Main purpose of white-box testing is *coverage*: exercise “all” the code

Black-box testing more concerned with exercising all the features

Coverage usually targets *control-flow* testing, also known as structural testing

- Run all black box and grey box tests first, then construct additional inputs to force reaching any code not already covered
- Possible to automate test case generation to reach coverage goals, by finding inputs that will force a particular branch or path not already covered
- Test case generators can also supply random inputs, or random changes to existing inputs - fuzz testing

Cannot catch errors of omission, unlikely to catch errors in design

How would you test this function so that every statement is covered?

```
template <typename T>
int seqSearch(const T list[], int listLength,
              T searchItem)
{
    int loc;

    for (loc = 0; loc < listLength; loc++)
        if (list[loc] == searchItem)
            return loc;

    return -1;
}
```

Can we cover this statement with a test?

```
int BidderCollection::add (const Bidder& value)
//  Adds this bidder
//Pre: getSize() < getMaxSize()
{
  if (size < MaxSize)
    {
     addToEnd (elements, size, value);
     return size - 1;
    }
  else
    {
     cerr << "BidderCollection::add - collection is full" << endl;
     exit(1);
    }
}
```

- During unit test, certainly.
- During an integration or system test, probably not.
    - If the program calling this function allows execution of that statement, it's almost certainly a bug in that program.
    - Typical of code inserted as "defensive programming"

Branch coverage and condition coverage are better than statement coverage

```
boolean purchaseAlcohol (int buyerAge, int ageFriend)
{
        boolean allow = False;
        if ((buyerAge>=21) or (ageFriend >= 21))
        {
        allow = True
        }
        return allow;
}
```

Rule is that both people need to be over 21. **Bug** in the function: *OR* vs. *AND*

Assert purchaseAlcohol(25,20) == False
        will FAIL (one of friends is over 21 and the 'or' is the bug)

Assert purchaseAlcohol(25,25) == True
        will PASS has **100% statement** coverage

Assert purchaseAlcohol(25,25) and Assert purchaseAlcohol(20,20)
        will satisfy **branch coverage**

Assert purchaseAlcohol(25,20) and Assert purchaseAlcohol(20,25)
        will satisfy **condition coverage**

Or will it? Condition coverage where all conditions must evaluate to T or F

purchaseAlcohol(25,25) T, T
purchaseAlcohol(20,20) F, F

Will satisfy condition coverage as will

purchaseAlcohol(25,20) T, F
purchaseAlcohol(20,25) F, T

But only the latter option will trigger the bug, coverage != effectiveness
Multiple condition coverage demands *all* permutations of conditions executed - truth table

Monitoring Statement Coverage

We can check whether we have covered statements by adding debugging output.

add a unique output to each block of “straight line” code

```
#define COVER cerr << "Block " << __FILE__ << ":" << __LINE__ << endl
template <typename T>
int seqSearch(const T list[], int listLength, T searchItem)
{
   COVER;
   int loc;

   for (loc = 0; loc < listLength; loc++)
      if (list[loc] == searchItem)
         {
          COVER;
          return loc;
         }

   COVER;
   return -1;
}
```

However, most languages have tools that monitor statement and branch coverage, possibly other coverages

- Coverage tools instrument code, and then records when exercise (e.g., Coverage.py)

Loop coverage is rarely supported by coverage tools

- if in at least one test the body was executed 0 times, and
- if in some test the body was executed exactly once, and
- if in some test the body was executed more than once.

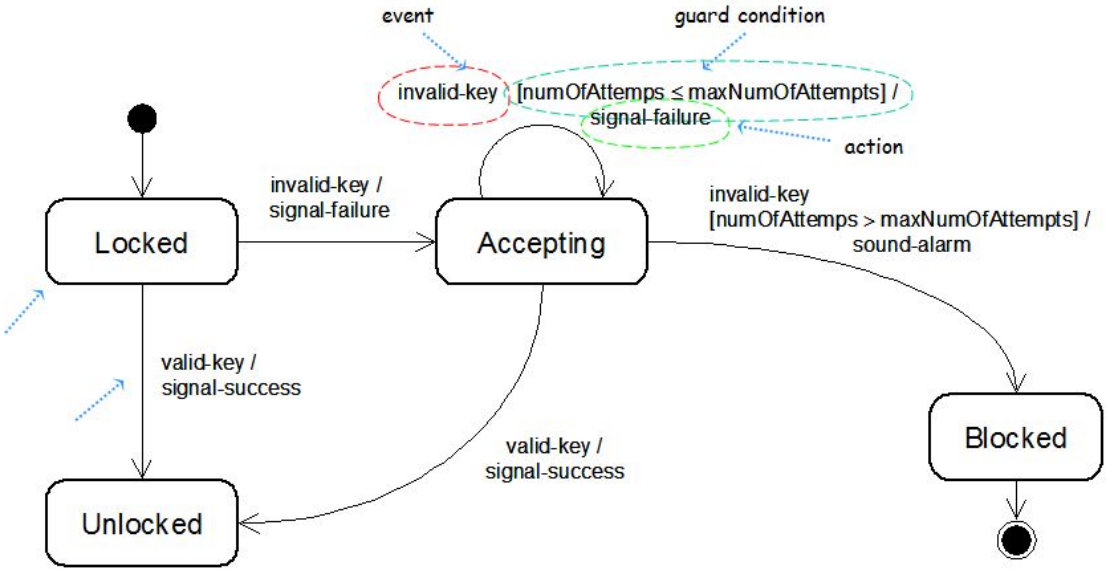
Another approach to coverage is *state-based* testing

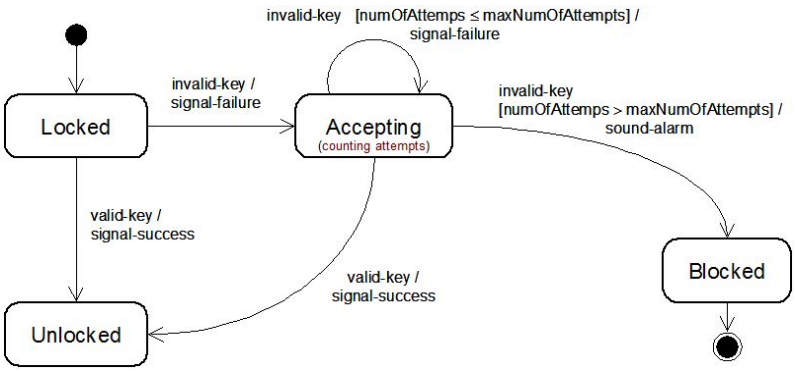
Define a set of abstract states that software can be in and transition between

> Cover every state and every transition
>
> Is it possible to move between states via undefined/not-allowed transitions?

In some web and mobile applications, different pages or screens correspond to different states

> Less common with single-page applications and other cases where multiple states reflected by small changes to same page/screen





Stress Testing

May be black, grey, white box

Check every potentially shared code or resource for thread-safe

- Force simultaneous execution in multiple threads, every possible read/write interleaving

Check all components with “right” and “wrong” security roles

Check resource constraints, need to fail gracefully

- Memory, disk or file system, network connections, database connections

“Model checking” - Check every call to third-party APIs, standard libraries, system calls

- Null return value, every possible error code

“Quick tests” - relatively simple actions that break almost anything

Shoe test - put cursor on text input field, put shoe or other heavy objection on auto-repeat keyboard (or put keyboard in cage with small active animal), go to lunch

GUI Interference tests

- Force screen to refresh
- Change video resolution
- Change device orientation for mobile apps
- Click mouse or use touch gestures randomly all over screen
- Toggle “accessibility” options back and forth
- Change focus to another application, do something, return - or leave in background for long period of time

Non-GUI Interference tests

- Leave application running for long period of time
- Set timer to go off that causes program to do something
- Change system date/time to near/far past/future
- Load enough other applications to force out of memory
- Lock necessary database records by another program
- Pause/kill component processes (in multi-process applications)
- Pause/kill client or server (in distributed applications)

File system interference tests

- Remove DVD-ROM, flash drive or other media while in use
- Fill file system to capacity (example resource constraint)
- Reserved file name in use or locked for some other purpose
- Vary file names and access permissions while program running and/or between runs
- Change or corrupt contents of file during or between runs

Scalability tests

- Connect too many clients
- Connect/disconnect/reconnect repeatedly
- Bombard with requests (DDOS attack)

Class exercise if time permits