Unit Testing continued

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Goals

- 1. Retrospective
- 2. Best Practices
- 3. Types of Coverage

Retrospective

What do you think is hard about testing?

- 1. Where did you get stuck?
- 2. Did you have to make changes to the project code to be able to test it?
 - Consider what tests should NOT involve

Do not test

A testing unit should focus on one tiny bit of functionality and "prove it correct".

- Unit tests are simple and localized
- They should NOT involve
 - multi-threading
 - I/O
 - database connections
 - web services
 - these would be considered integration tests
- They should be fast
- They run in isolation
- Order shouldn't matter
- They should not depend on global state

Code Coverage

Test the individual units of software.

- Code Coverage
 - percentage of total code covered by testing
- Function Coverage
 - there should be at least one test calling each function
- Statement Coverage
 - "ideally" each statement should be executed
- Edge Coverage
 - As many edge cases as is reasonable should be included
- Branch Coverage
 - each control structure path should be explored
- Condition Coverage
 - boolean sub expressions

```
def return_sum_type(a, b):
 result = a + b

 if result > 0:
     return "positive"

 else:
     return "negative"
```

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```
class TestReturnSumType(unittest.TestCase):
 def test_positive(self):
     assertEqual(return_sum_type(1, 2), "positive")
 def test_negative(self):
     assertEqual(return_sum_type(-1, -2), "negative")
 def test_negative_zeros(self):
     assertEqual(return_sum_type(0, 0), "negative")
```

```
def is palindrome(str):
 for i in xrange(0, len(str)/2):
      if str[i] != str[len(str)-i-1]:
           return False
 return True
```

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```
class TestIsPalindrome(unittest.TestCase):
 def test_palindrome(self):
     assertTrue(is_palindrome("tacocat"))
 def test_not_palindrome(self):
     assertFalse(is_palindrome("hotdog"))
 def test_empty_string(self):
     assertTrue(is_palindrome(""))
```

if (A and B) or (B and C):
 return True

What kind of coverage should we apply here?

```
if (A and B) or (B and C):
 return True
```

- Edge Coverage
- Condition Coverage

```
class TestABandC(unittest.TestCase):
 def test all true(self):
   assertTrue(a b and c(1, 1, 1))
def test a b true(self):
   assertTrue(a b and c(1, 1, 0))
def test b c true(self):
   assertTrue(a b and c(0, 1, 1))
def test a c true(self):
   assertFalse(a b and c(0, 1, 0))
def test all false(self):
   assertFalse(a b and c(0, 0, 0))
```

Calculating Code Coverage

- How much of your code base is tested.
- Useful tool for finding untested parts of a codebase
- Not useful as a numeric statement of how good your tests are
- Sweet spot: around 70-85% coverage
- Many tools are available to analyze code coverage
- Consider "test coverage" instead as a measurement of the degree to which a test or testing suite actually checks the full extent of a program's functionality.



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