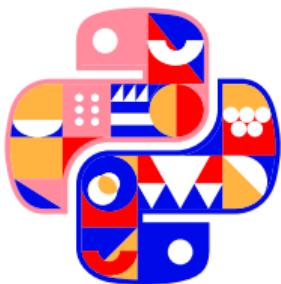


pytest tips and tricks

for a better testsuite

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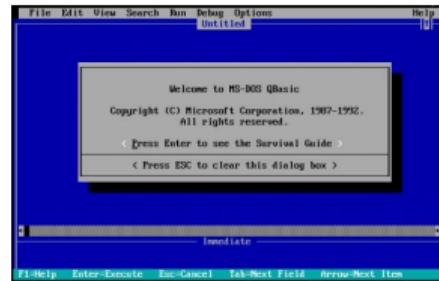
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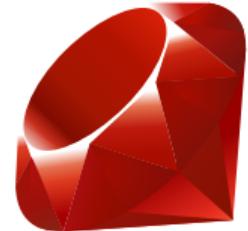
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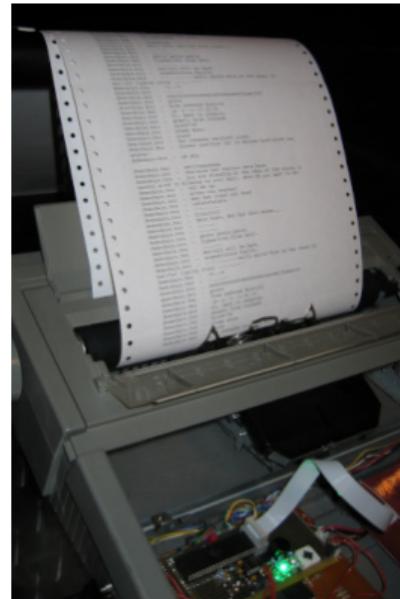
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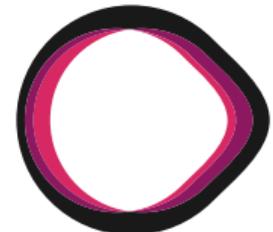
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Timeline

09:30 – 11:00

15 minute
coffee break

11:15 – 12:45

Training contents

- **About pytest:** Popularity, history overview
- **Parametrization:** Running tests against sets of input/output data
- **Fixtures:** Providing test data, setting up objects, modularity
- **Built-in fixtures:** Capturing output, patching, temporary files, test information
- **Fixtures advanced:** Caching, cleanup/teardown, implicit fixtures, parametrizing
- **Mocking:** Dealing with dependencies which are in our way, monkeypatch and unittest.mock, mocking libraries and helpers, alternatives
- **Plugin tour:** Coverage, distributed testing, output improvements, alternative test syntax, testing C libraries, plugin overview
- **Property-based testing:** Using *hypothesis* to generate test data
- **Writing plugins:** Extending pytest via custom hooks, domain-specific languages



pytest

Setup

You...

- **Set up** pytest?
- Used **virtualenv**?
- Cloned the repo with example code?
- Know what an RPN calculator is?

Setup overview

- We'll use Python 3.8 or newer, with pytest 8.2 (≥ 7.0 is okay).
- Download slides and example code for exercises:
<https://github.com/The-Compiler/pytest-tips-and-tricks>

Setup with PyCharm / VS Code

- Open `code/` folder (**not** enclosing folder!) as project



- Open `basic/test_calc.py`, configure Python interpreter
 - Wait until “Install requirements” prompt appears and accept
-
- Open PyCharm / VS Code terminal at the bottom
 - You should be able to run `pytest --version`



- Ctrl-Shift-P to open command palette, run “Python: Create Environment...”
- Select `venv` and `requirements.txt` for installation

Virtual environments: Isolation of package installs

Virtual environments:

- Provide isolated environments for Python package installs
- Isolate different app/package-install configurations
- Are built into Python since 3.4
(but a separate `virtualenv` tool also exists)
- Are the building blocks below high-level tools like `poetry`

With a virtual environment, we can avoid running
`sudo pip install ...`, which can mess up your system
(on Linux/macOS).

Chris Warrick (chriswarrick.com):

“Python Virtual Environments in Five Minutes”

`first-proj/.venv`

- `pytest 8.2.0`
- `pytest-cov`
- `pytest-mock`

`second-proj/.venv`

- `pytest 7.4.4`
- `requests`
- `pytest-recording`



Using virtual environments

Installing and creating

Install venv:

(Debian-based Linux distributions only, shipped with Python elsewhere)

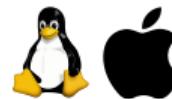


```
apt install python3-venv
```

Create a local environment (once, can be reused):



```
py -m venv venv
```



```
python3 -m venv .venv  
(or virtualenv instead of venv)
```

This will create a local Python installation in a `venv` or `.venv` folder.

Any dependencies installed with its `pip` will only be available in this environment/folder.

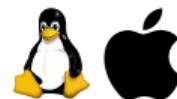
Using virtual environments

Running commands and activating

Run commands “inside” the environment:



venv\Scripts\pip
venv\Scripts\python
venv\Scripts\pytest



.venv/bin/pip
.venv/bin/python
.venv/bin/pytest

Alternatively, **activate** the environment:

(changes PATH temporarily, so that pip, python, pytest etc. use the binaries from the virtualenv)



venv\Scripts\activate.bat



Set-ExecutionPolicy Unrestricted -Scope Process

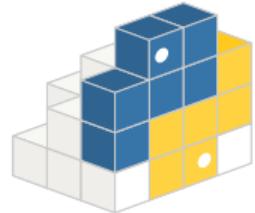


venv\Scripts\Activate



source .venv/bin/activate

Installing pytest



Install pytest and other dependencies within the activated environment:

```
pip install -r code/requirements.txt
```

(or just `pip install pytest`, which covers most but not all of the training)



Now let's see if it works:

```
pytest --version
```

The basics

You...

- Used **pytest.approx**?
- Know what `0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1` equals (according to Python computers)?
- Used **pytest.raises**?
- ... with `match=?`
- Think pytest is around five years old? Ten? Fifteen? Twenty?

Some quick history

late 2002 PyPy (alternative Python implementation) was born

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August 2009 py 1.0.0: plugins, fixtures (funcargs), etc.

November 2010 pytest 2.0.0, released independently from `py`.



Asserting expected exceptions

— rpnCalc/utils.py —————

```
def calc(a, b, op):  
    ...  
    elif op == "/":  
        return a / b  
    raise ValueError("Invalid operator")
```

— basic/test.raises.py —————

```
def test_zero_division():  
    with pytest.raises(ZeroDivisionError):  
        calc(3, 0, "/")
```

Demo:

- In `basic/test.raises.py`, write another test with `pytest.raises`, to ensure that `ValueError` is raised when calling `calc` with an invalid operator
- Pass a regex pattern to the `match` argument to check the exception message:
`with pytest.raises(ValueError, match=r"..."):`

Exception infos and checking for warnings

You can also access the exception value manually and assert on it:

```
def test_invalid_operator:  
    with pytest.raises(ValueError) as excinfo:  
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There is `pytest.warns` as well, to check for Python warnings
(e.g. `DeprecationWarning`):

```
def test_warning():  
    with pytest.warns(UserWarning, match=...):  
        warnings.warn(...)
```

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- `pytest.approx` instead of Python's `math.isclose` gives you nicer output
- Can override tolerance (rel/abs), e.g. $20 \pm 2^\circ$:
`assert temperature == pytest.approx(20, abs=2)`
- Supports various data types:
Sequences of numbers (e.g. lists or tuples), dictionary values, `numpy` arrays

Marks

You...

- Used **pytest.mark.skip**?
- Used **pytest.mark.xfail**?
- Used the **parametrize** mark?
- Used **pytest.param**?
- Customized **test ids**?
- Used **indirect parametrization**?
- Used the **pytestmark** global variable?

pytest.mark: Custom marking

Mark functions or classes:

— marking/test_marking.py

```
@pytest.mark.slow
@pytest.mark.webtest
def test_slow_api():
    time.sleep(1)
```



```
@pytest.mark.webtest
def test_api():
    pass
```



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def test_fast():
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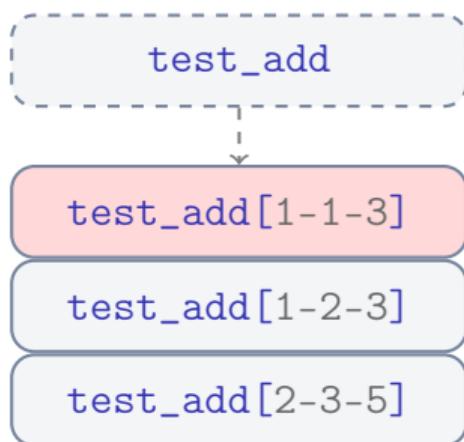
Tests can be parametrized to run them with various values:

— marking/test_parametrization.py —————

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize("a, b, expected", [  
    (1, 1, 3),  
    (1, 2, 3),  
    (2, 3, 5),  
])
```

```
def test_add(a, b, expected):  
    assert calc(a, b, "+") == expected
```

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize(  
    "op", ["+", "-", "*", "/", "**"])  
def test_smoke(op):  
    calc(1, 2, op)
```

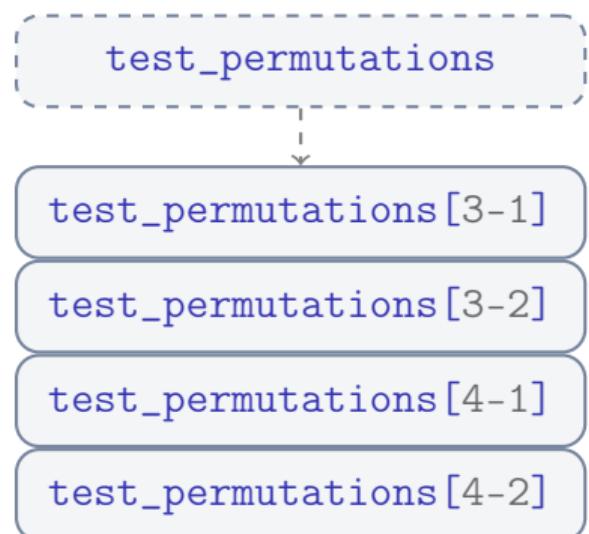


Permutations with parametrize

If we stack `@pytest.mark.parametrize` multiple times, we get all permutations:

— marking/test_parametrization.py —————

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize("a", [1, 2])
@pytest.mark.parametrize("b", [3, 4])
def test_permutations(a, b):
    assert calc(a, b, "+") == a + b
```



Reusing complex marks

A mark can also be stored in a variable and reused:

```
skip_windows = pytest.mark.skipif(  
    sys.platform == "win32",  
    reason="Linux only",  
)
```

```
@skip_windows  
def test_linux_1():  
    ...
```

```
@skip_windows  
def test_linux_2():  
    ...
```

pytest.mark.skipif(...)

test_linux_1

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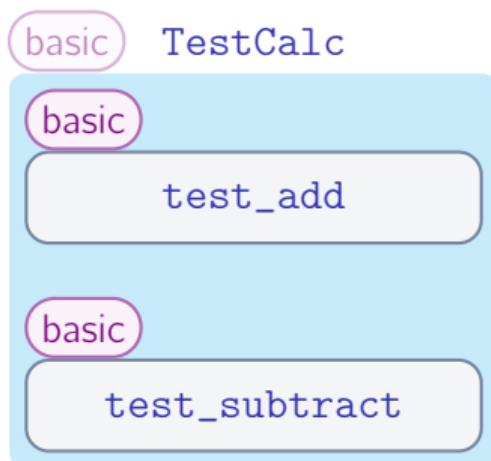
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Marking an entire class

Decorators can be applied to classes as well as functions:

```
@pytest.mark.basic
class TestCalc:
    def test_add(self):
        assert calc(1, 3, "+") == 4

    def test_subtract(self):
        assert calc(7, 2, "-") == 5
```



Marking an entire test file

To apply a mark to an entire test file, a special `pytestmark` global variable can be set to a mark, or a list of marks.

```
pytestmark = pytest.mark.skipif(  
    sys.platform == "win32",  
    reason="Linux only"  
)
```

The same technique can be used to skip all tests in a file unconditionally:

```
pytestmark = pytest.mark.skip("Work in progress")
```

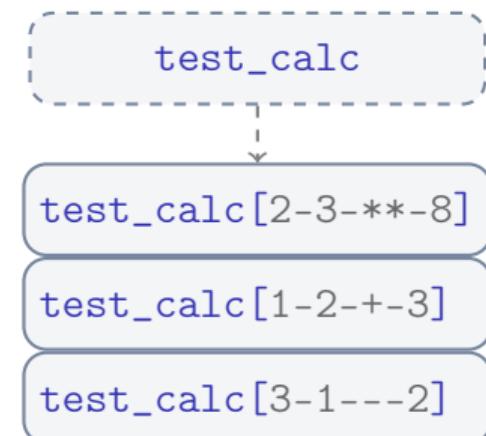
If all tests in a file should be skipped if a library was not found, there's a helper. This is the same as `import pexpect`, but the module is skipped on `ImportError`:

```
pexpect = pytest.importorskip("pexpect")
```

Marking single parameters

If we want to e.g. xfail a single parameter combination in a parametrized test, the mark can be attached to a single value via `pytest.param`:

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize(  
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        pytest.param(2, 3, "**", 8),  
        (1, 2, "+", 3),  
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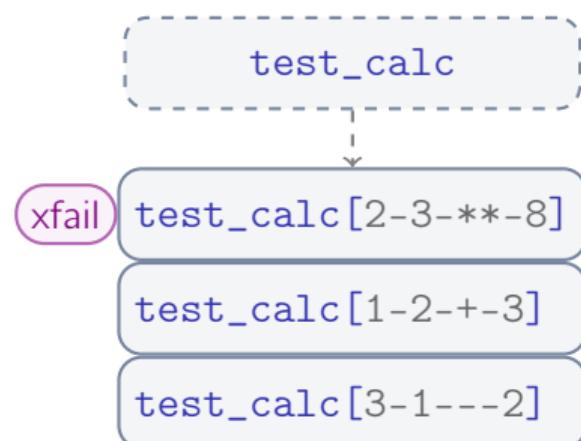


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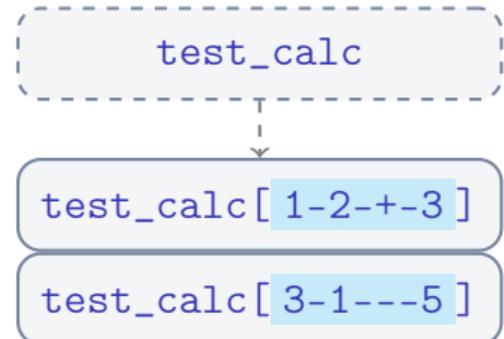
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        ),  
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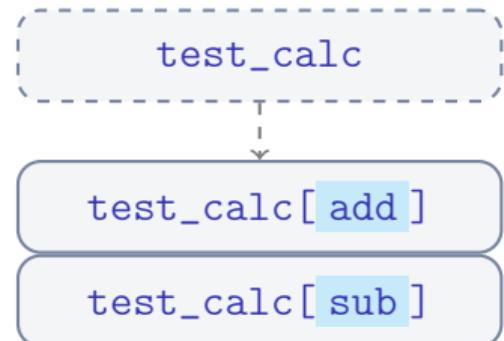
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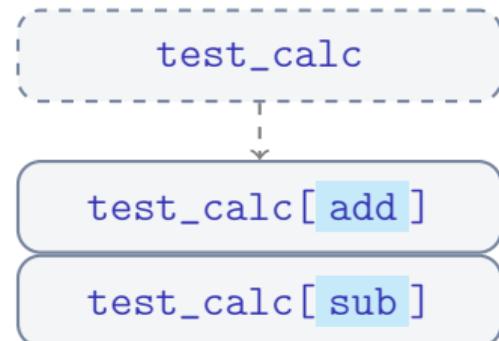
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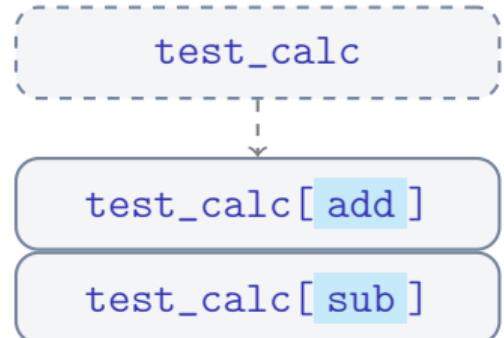
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We can also pass a callable to generate IDs.

e.g. for a list:

`ids=", ".join`

Python dataclasses

Without dataclasses:

```
class Point:  
  
    def __init__(self, x: int, y: int) -> None:  
        self.x = x  
        self.y = y  
  
    def __repr__(self) -> str:  
        return f"Point(x={self.x!r}, y={self.y!r})"  
  
    def __eq__(self, other: Any) -> bool:  
        if not isinstance(other, Point):  
            return NotImplemented  
        return (self.x, self.y) == (other.x, other.y)
```

With dataclasses:

```
@dataclass  
class Point:  
    x: int  
    y: int
```

Trick: Using dataclasses with parametrize

```
@dataclass
class CalcCase:
    name: str
    a: int
    b: int
    result: int
    op: str = "+"
```

Trick: Using dataclasses with parametrize

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    @pytest.mark.parametrize("tc", [
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        CalcCase("add-neg", a=-2, b=-3, result=-5),
        CalcCase("sub", a=2, b=1, op="-", result=1),
    ], ids=lambda tc: tc.name)
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test_calc

test_calc[add]

test_calc[add-neg]

test_calc[sub]

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```

test_calc

test_calc[add]

test_calc[add-neg]

test_calc[sub]

- Easy setting of test names – could even write a custom `def __str__(self):` and use `ids=str`
- Thanks to default arguments, we only need to specify values that differ from the default (no `op="+"`)
- Better type safety, better autocompletion
- More readability for complex test cases

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“xfail” (“expected to fail”) a test if:

- The implementation is currently lacking
- It fails on a certain platform but should work

⇒ Test function is run, but result is “xfailed” (**x**),
instead of failed (**F**). Unexpected pass: XFAIL (**X**).

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)  
def test_linux():  
    ...
```

```
@pytest.mark.xfail(  
    # condition optional  
    reason="see #1234",  
)  
def test_new_api():  
    ...
```

The strict option for xfail

If a test marked `xfail` ("expected to fail") passes, the result is an **XFAIL** (X) by default (counts as passed test). This can be changed globally by using:

```
[pytest]  
xfail Strict=true
```

or for an individual mark via:

```
@pytest.mark.xfail(reason="...", strict=True)
```

Then, a test which is expected to fail but passes results in a failing test. This can be useful to let pytest alert you about accidentally fixed bugs!

Note: This won't work with imperative `pytest.xfail(...)`, as test gets skipped.

If you're dealing with flaky tests (sometimes passing, sometimes failing), it's better to use a plugin such as `pytest-rerunfailures` instead.

Expanding the calculator example

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

History



- Using a calculator without needing a = key, and without parentheses
- Makes it much easier to implement, using a stack data structure
- Based on the Polish notation, invented by Jan Łukasiewicz in 1924
- Used by all HP calculators in the 1970s–80s, still used by some today
- Displayed here: HP 12C financial calculator, introduced in 1981, still in production today (HP's longest and best-selling product)

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Explanation

$$1 + 2$$

1 2

↔ ↔

+

2
1

2
1
3

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Explanation

$$5 \cdot (1 + 2)$$

1 2

↶ ↶

+

5

↶

*

2
1

2
1 3

5
3

5
3 15

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

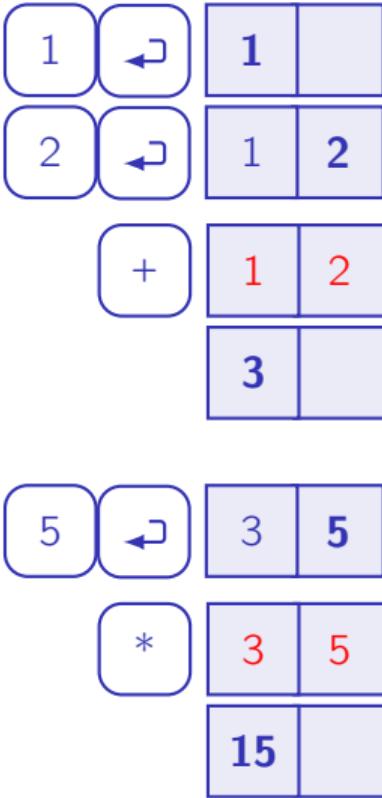
In Python

In code/, using `python -m rpnCalc.rpn_v1`

```
> 1  
> 2  
> p  
[1.0, 2.0]  
> +  
3  
> 5  
> *  
15  
> q
```

Demo: Run the calculator,
play around a bit, and try to break it.

Take a first look at its code
([rpnCalc/rpn_v1.py](#)),
it'll be explained on the next slide.



Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

— rpncalc/rpn_v1.py —

```
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```

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```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Towards an improved version

- Fix bugs and add additional error handling:
 - Allow negative numbers and floating-point inputs, not just `.isdigit()`
 - Fix `+-` being treated as valid input due to `elif inp in "+-*/"`:
 - Print error when using an invalid operator
 - Handle `ZeroDivisionError` when dividing by zero, and `IndexError` with < 2 elements on stack
- Allow passing a `Config` object to the calculator, with a custom prompt, instead of "`>`"
- Support multiple inputs on one line, e.g. `2 1 +`

Fixtures

You...

- Used pytest **fixtures**?
- Used **conftest.py**?
- Used “**yield**” in a fixture?
- Used **tmp_path** or **monkeypatch**?
- Used **scope=...** or **autouse=** for a fixture?
- **Parametrized** a fixture?

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code: Adding a Config object

— rpnCalc/rpn_v2.py —————

```
from rpnCalc.utils import calc, Config
```

```
class RPNCcalculator:
```

```
    def __init__(self, config):  
        self.config = config  
        self.stack = []
```

...

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
    config = Config()  
    config.load_env()  
    rpn = RPNCcalculator(config)  
    rpn.run()
```

— rpnCalc/utils.py —————

```
class Config:
```

```
    def __init__(self, prompt=">"):  
        self.prompt = prompt
```

...



Good practices for fixtures

Consider adding type annotations:

```
@pytest.fixture
def rpn() -> RPNCcalculator:
    """A RPN calculator with a default config."""
    ...

def test_rpn(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
    ...
```

Good practices for fixtures

Consider adding type annotations, write a docstring for your fixtures:

```
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    """A RPN calculator with a default config."""
```

...

--fixtures Show all defined fixtures with their docstrings.
--fixtures-per-test Show the fixtures used, grouped by test.

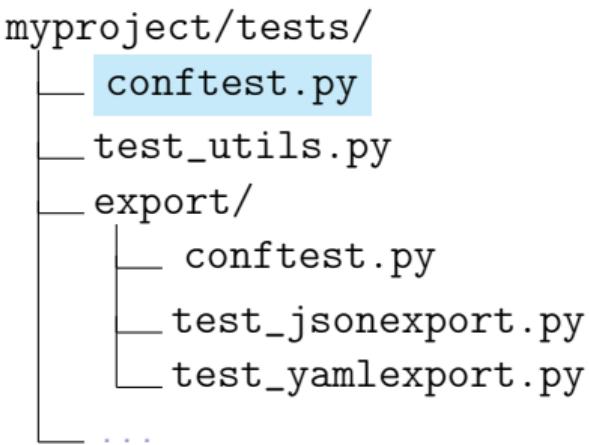
Output:

```
----- fixtures defined from test_fixture -----  
rpn -- fixtures/test_fixture.py:7  
    A RPN calculator with a default config.
```

conftest.py fixtures

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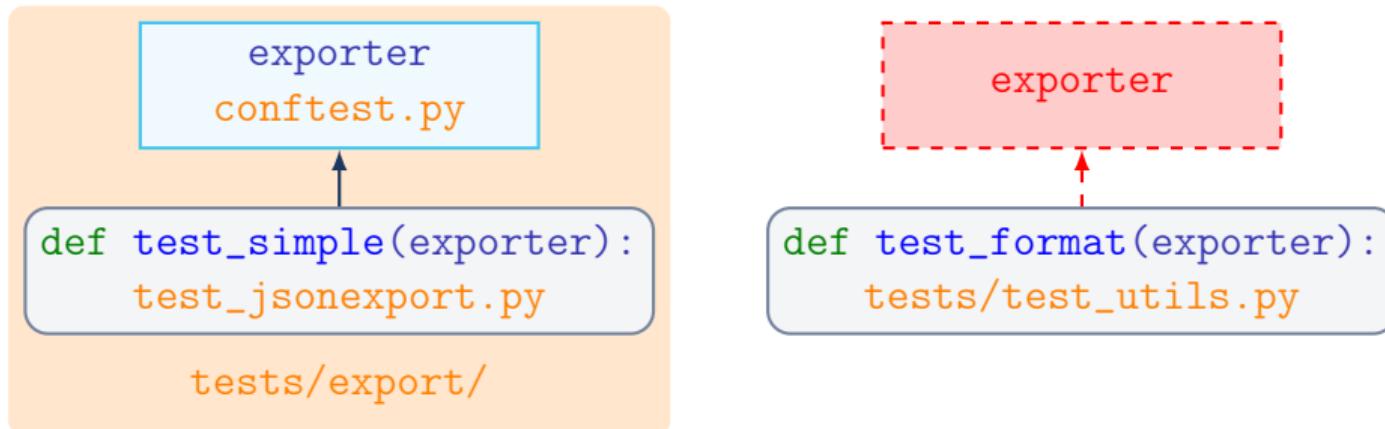
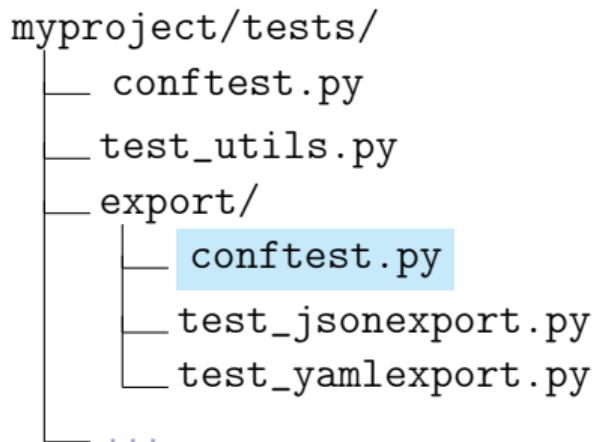
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  __init__.py
  conftest.py
  test_utils.py
  export/
    __init__.py
    conftest.py
    test_jsonexport.py
    test_yamlexport.py
  ...
  ...
```

Caching fixture results

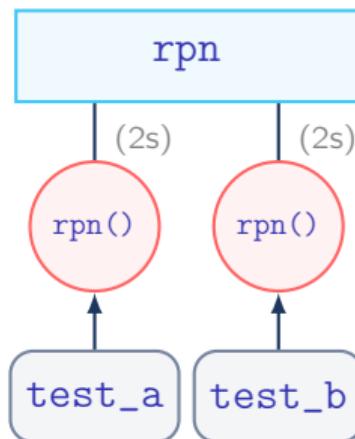
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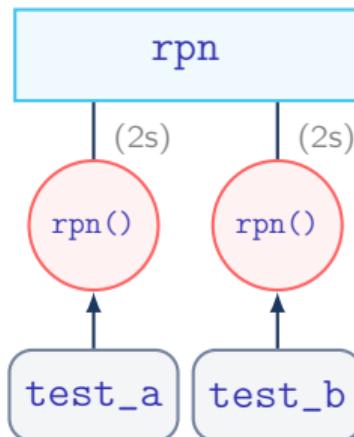
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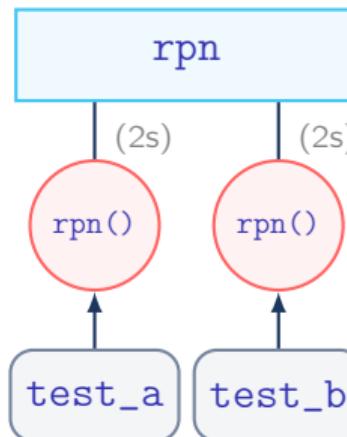
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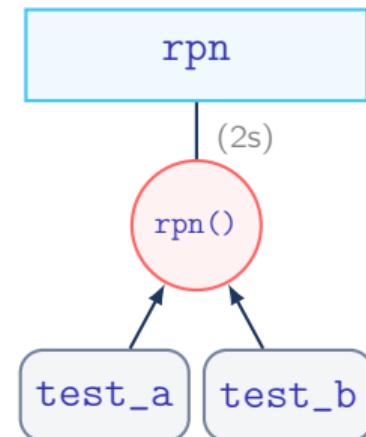
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Can also pass a callable to `scope` to dynamically determine the scope. It will get called with the fixture name and the `pytest.Config` object.

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Beware:

- + Faster tests (4s → 2s)
- Less isolation between tests:
... ::test_a PASSED
... ::test_b FAILED

```
def test_b(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
>     assert not rpn.stack
E     assert not [42]
```

Caching fixture results

Combining scopes

— fixtures/test_fixture_scope_reset.py

```
@pytest.fixture(scope="module")
def rpn_instance() -> RPNCcalculator:
    time.sleep(2)
    return RPNCcalculator(Config())
```

```
@pytest.fixture
def rpn(
    rpn_instance: RPNCcalculator,
) -> RPNCcalculator:
    rpn_instance.stack.clear()
    return rpn_instance
```

Caching fixture results

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```

```
    assert rpn.stack == [42]
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
... :: test_a PASSED
```

```
... :: test_b PASSED
```

```
===== 2 passed in 2.00s =====
```

Declarative or imperative skip/xfail

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```
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Imperative skipping from **inside** test/fixture:

```
@pytest.fixture  
def server_connection() -> Connection:  
    conn = Connection(...)  
    if not conn.server_is_reachable():  
        pytest.skip("Server unreachable")  
    return conn
```

pytest.skip(...) ⇒ s
pytest.xfail(...) ⇒ x
pytest.fail(...) ⇒ F

Test is interrupted once called.

Doing cleanup with yield

A fixture can use `yield` instead of `return` to do cleanup:



— fixtures/test_yield_fixture.py —

```
@pytest.fixture(scope="function")
def connected_client() -> Iterator[Client]:
    client = Client()
    client.connect()
    yield client
    client.disconnect()
```

The code defines a fixture named `connected_client` with scope "function". It creates a `Client`, connects it, yields the client object, and then disconnects it. To the right of the code, there is a vertical sequence of three rounded rectangular boxes representing the execution flow: "setup" (top), "call" (middle), and "teardown" (bottom). Arrows indicate the flow from setup to call, and from call to teardown.

```
def test_client_1(connected_client: Client):
    print("in the test 1")
```

Alternative: `request.addfinalizer`

Fixture functions can use `request.addfinalizer` to register teardown functions:

— fixtures/test_fixture_finalizer.py —

```
@pytest.fixture
def connected_client(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> Client:
    client = Client()
    client.connect()
    request.addfinalizer(client.disconnect)
    return client
```

Using fixtures implicitly

autouse

If you want to prepare the environment for all tests implicitly, use `autouse=True`:

— fixtures/test_autouse.py —————

```
class TestEmptyHomedir:  
    @pytest.fixture(autouse=True)  
    def tmp_homedir(self, tmp_path, monkeypatch):  
        monkeypatch.setenv("HOME", str(tmp_path))  
        return tmp_path  
  
    def test_a(self, tmp_homedir):  
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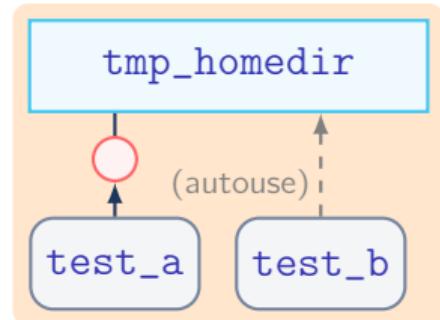
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The patching will be done implicitly for every test for which the fixture is visible.

We can do something at the beginning of the test run via `scope="session"`.

We still return the `tmp_path` object in case a test wants to access it.

Using fixtures implicitly

usefixtures marker

Using fixtures without specifying them as function arguments:

— fixtures/test_usefixtures.py —————

```
@pytest.fixture
def tmp_homedir(tmp_path, monkeypatch):
    monkeypatch.setenv("HOME", str(tmp_path))
    return tmp_path
```

```
@pytest.mark.usefixtures("tmp_homedir")
class TestHomeDir:
    def test_empty(self):
        assert not list(pathlib.Path.home().iterdir())
```

tmp_homedir

usefixtures: tmp_homedir

class TestHomeDir

test_empty

Introspecting calling site

request

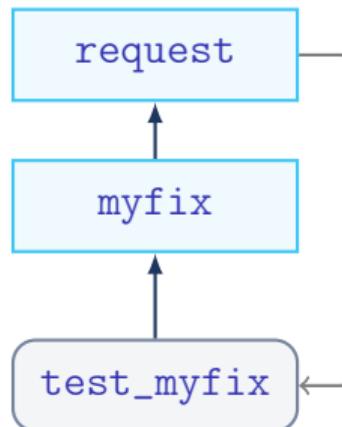
Fixture functions can receive a `request` object with attributes:

```
@pytest.fixture
def myfix(request: pytest.FixtureRequest):
    request.function # test function/method
    request.cls      # class of test
    request.instance # class instance
    request.module   # module of test

    request.fspath   # path object of module
    request.node     # collection node
    request.config   # pytest config object
```

```
def test_myfix(myfix):
```

...



Introspecting calling site

request: Getting fixtures dynamically

With `request.node.getfixturevalue(...)`, we can get a fixture dynamically:

```
@pytest.fixture
def default_config() -> Config:
    return Config(prompt=">")

@pytest.fixture
def long_config() -> Config:
    return Config(prompt="rpn>")

@pytest.mark.parametrize("confname", ["default", "long"])
def test_configs(request: pytest.FixtureRequest, confname: str):
    config = request.node.getfixturevalue(f"{confname}_config")
    assert config.prompt.endswith(">")
```

Alternatives and (much!) more discussion:

- pytest issue 349: [Using fixtures in `pytest.mark.parametrize`](#)
- The [pytest-cases plugin](#) for more sophisticated parametrization

Introspecting calling site

request: Accessing markers

Via `request.node.get_closest_marker(...)`, we can get markers from test nodes:

— fixtures/test_builtin_request_markers.py —————

```
@pytest.fixture
def config(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> Config:
    marker = request.node.get_closest_marker("long_prompt")
    if marker is None:
        return Config(prompt=">")
    return Config(prompt="rpn>")
```

Then a fixture can act differently depending on whether there is a marker:

```
def test_normal(config: Config):
    assert config.prompt == ">"
```

```
@pytest.mark.long_prompt
def test_marker(config: Config):
    assert config.prompt == "rpn>"
```

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As with e.g. `@pytest.mark.parametrize(...)` or `@pytest.mark.skipif(...)`, you can pass arguments to markers, and access them in your fixture:

```
@pytest.fixture
def server_config(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> ServerConfig:
    marker = request.node.get_closest_marker("config_args")
    if marker is None:
        return ServerConfig()
    return ServerConfig(*marker.args, **marker.kwargs)
```

The returned `Mark` object has `args` and `kwargs` attributes with the arguments passed to it. With `@pytest.mark.config_args("production.json", strict=True)`:

<code>marker.args</code>	\rightarrow	<code>("production.json",)</code>	(single-element tuple)
<code>marker.kwargs</code>	\rightarrow	<code>{"strict": True}</code>	

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```

Demo: Adjust the `config` fixture from last slide to use a `rpn_prompt` marker argument as a prompt, then write a test with `@pytest.mark.rpn_prompt("calc>")`.

Configuring fixtures with command line options

Add and use command line options:

— fixtures/cli_opt/conftest.py —

```
def pytest_addoption(parser: pytest.Parser) -> None:
    parser.addoption("--server-ip", type=str)

@pytest.fixture
def server_ip(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> str:
    return request.config.option.server_ip
```

Demo:

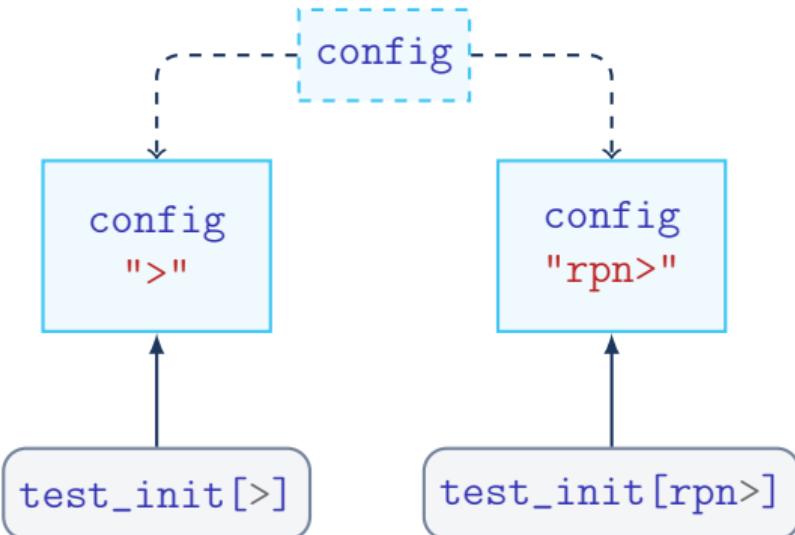
- Use this `conftest.py`: In `fixtures/cli_opt/`, create a `test_server_ip.py` with a test using the `server_ip` fixture
- Invoke with different `--server-ip` option values

Parametrizing fixtures

— fixtures/test_fixture_param.py —

```
@pytest.fixture(  
    params=[  
        ">",  
        "rpn>",  
    ]  
)  
def config(request):  
    c = Config(prompt=request.param)  
    return c  
  
def test_init(config):  
    print(config.prompt)  
    assert False
```

Now each test using the `config` fixture will run twice!



Indirect parametrization

```
— fixtures/test_parametrize_indirect.py
```

```
@pytest.fixture
```

```
def config(request):
```

```
    c = Config(prompt=request.param)
```

```
    return c
```

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize(
```

```
    "config, length", [
```

```
        (">", 1), ("rpn>", 4),
```

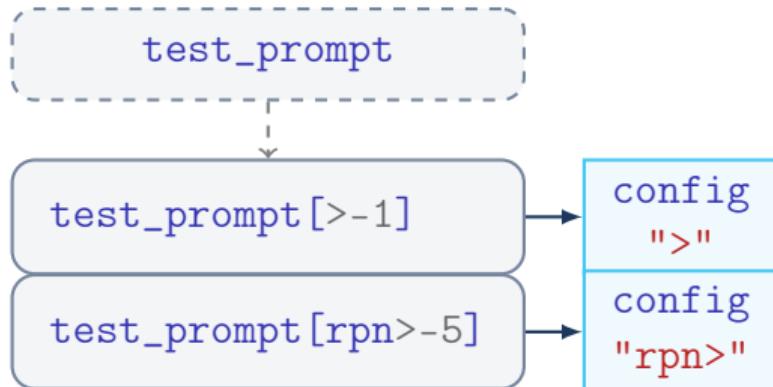
```
    ],
```

```
    indirect=["config"],
```

```
)
```

```
def test_prompt(config: Config, length: int):
```

```
    assert len(config.prompt) == length
```



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```

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```

```
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```

```
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```

```
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```

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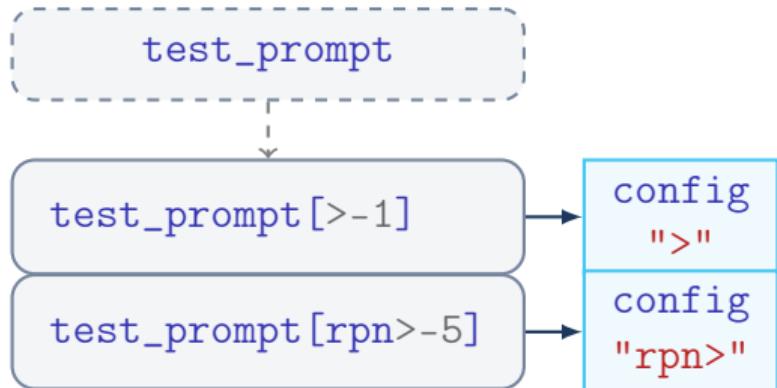
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```
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```

```
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```



Can take a list of argument names
(like `indirect=["config"]` here),
or `indirect=True` to make all indirect.

Builtin fixtures

pytest provides builtin fixtures:

- `capsys` and `capfd` Capturing stdout/stderr in a test
- `caplog` Capturing logging output from a test
- `monkeypatch` Temporarily modify state for test duration
- `tmp_path` / `tmpdir` A fresh empty directory for each test invocation
- `request` Get information about the current test
- ...

More fixtures are provided by plugins.

Use `pytest --fixtures` to see available fixtures with docs

Builtin fixtures

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Background: Every process has *two* output streams: `stdout` and `stderr`.

```
$ ls /home doesnotexist
ls: cannot access 'doesnotexist': No such file or directory
/home:
username
```

```
$ ls /home doesnotexist > /dev/null
ls: cannot access 'doesnotexist': No such file or directory
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code: Fixing bugs, improving error handling

— rpnncalc/rpn_v2.py —

```
def err(self, msg: str) -> None:
    print(msg, file=sys.stderr)

def evaluate(self, inp: str) -> None:
    ...
    if inp not in ["+", "-", "*", "/"]:
        self.err(
            f"Invalid input: {inp}")
        return

    if len(self.stack) < 2:
        self.err("Not enough operands")
        return
```

```
b = self.stack.pop()
a = self.stack.pop()

try:
    res = calc(a, b, inp)
except ZeroDivisionError:
    self.err("Division by zero")
    return

self.stack.append(res)
print(res)
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Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Tests: Error handling

— rpnCalc/test_rpn_errors.py —

```
@pytest.mark.parametrize("op", ["**", "+-"])
def test_unknown_operator(rpn: RPNCcalculator, op: str):
    rpn.stack = [1, 2]
    rpn.evaluate(op) # FIXME how to test that this prints an error?

def test_division_by_zero(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
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    rpn.evaluate("/") # FIXME how to test that this prints an error?

@pytest.mark.parametrize("stack", [[1], []])
def test_not_enough_operands(rpn: RPNCcalculator, stack: list[int]):
    rpn.stack = stack
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Builtin fixtures

Capturing

```
capsys overrides sys.stdout/err:  
— fixtures/test_builtin_capsys.py —  
  
def test_output(capsys):  
    print("Hello World")  
    out, err = capsys.readouterr()  
    assert out == "Hello World\n"
```

capfd captures at file descriptor level:

```
— fixtures/test_builtin_capfd.py —  
  
def test_output(capfd):  
    subprocess.run(["ls"])  
    out, err = capfd.readouterr()  
    assert out == "..."
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stdout	stderr
out 1	
out 2	
	err 1
out, err = capsys.readouterr()	
⇒ out: "out 1\nout2\n"	
	err: "err 1\n"

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	err: "err 1\n"

out 3	err 2
print("out 3")	
self.err("err 2")	
out, err = capsys.readouterr()	
⇒ out: "out 3\n"	
	err: "err 2\n"

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```

Demo:

- Take a look at the revised `evaluate` method in `rpnCalc/rpn_v2.py`, with added error handling.
- Pick one of the incomplete tests in `test_rpn_v2.py`.
- Complete it by capturing the error message printed on `stderr` and asserting on it.

Builtin fixtures

Capturing

`caplog` lets you access logging records:

— fixtures/test_builtin_caplog.py —————

```
def test_output(caplog):
    logging.warning("Something failed")
    assert caplog.messages == ["Something failed"]
```

Builtin fixtures

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```
— fixtures/test_builtin_caplog.py —————

def test_output(caplog):
    logging.warning("Something failed")
    assert caplog.messages == ["Something failed"]

def test_record_tuples(caplog):
    logging.warning("Something failed")
    assert caplog.record_tuples == [
        ("root", logging.WARNING, "Something failed")
    ]
```

Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch

The `monkeypatch` fixture allows to temporarily change state for the **duration of a test function execution**:

- Modify attributes on objects, classes or modules (`setattr`, `delattr`).
Also works with functions/methods, as those are attributes of the respective module/class-instance too.
- Modify environment variables (`setenv`, `delenv`)
- Modify dictionaries (`setitem`, `delitem`)
- Change current directory (`chdir`)
- Prepend to `sys.path` for importing (`syspath_prepend`)



Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch: How to not do things

```
def print_info():
    path = os.environ.get("PATH", "")
    print(f"platform: {sys.platform}")
    print(f"PATH: {path}")

def test_a():
    sys.platform = "MonkeyOS"      # don't do this!
    os.environ["PATH"] = "/zoo"     # don't do this!
    print_info()
    assert False

def test_b():
    print_info()
    assert False
```

The diagram illustrates the state of the environment variables for each test. For `test_a`, both `sys.platform` and `os.environ["PATH"]` are set to "MonkeyOS" and "/zoo" respectively. For `test_b`, both are set to their original values, as indicated by the callout box below.

test_a
test

test_b
test

sys.platform == "MonkeyOS"
os.environ["PATH"] == "/zoo"

Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch

— fixtures/test_builtin_monkeypatch.py —————

```
def print_info():
    path = os.environ.get("PATH", "")
    print(f"platform: {sys.platform}")
    print(f"PATH: {path}")
```

```
def test_a(monkeypatch: pytest.MonkeyPatch):
```

```
    monkeypatch setattr(sys, "platform", "MonkeyOS")
    monkeypatch.setenv("PATH", "/zoo")
```

```
    print_info()
    assert False
```

```
def test_b():
    print_info()
    assert False
```

test_a
test

monkeypatch
teardown

test_b
test

```
sys.platform == "MonkeyOS"
os.environ["PATH"] == "/zoo"
```

Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch: Patching functions

— fixtures/test_builtin_monkeypatch.py —————

```
def get_folder_name() -> str:  
    user = getpass.getuser()  
    return f"pytest-of-{user}"
```

Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch: Patching functions

```
— fixtures/test_builtin_monkeypatch.py —————
```

```
def get_folder_name() -> str:  
    user = getpass.getuser()  
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```

```
def fake_getuser() -> str:  
    return "fakeuser"
```

```
def test_get_folder_name(monkeypatch: pytest.MonkeyPatch):  
    monkeypatch.setattr(getpass, "getuser", fake_getuser)  
    assert get_folder_name() == "pytest-of-fakeuser"
```

Builtin fixtures

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```
def get_folder_name() -> str:  
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```

```
def test_get_folder_name_lambda(monkeypatch: pytest.MonkeyPatch):  
    monkeypatchsetattr(getpass, "getuser", lambda: "fakeuser")  
    assert get_folder_name() == "pytest-of-fakeuser"
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code: Supporting multiple inputs

— rpnalc/rpn_v1.py —

```
class RPNCcalculator:
```

```
...
```

```
def run(self) -> None:
```

```
    while True:
```

```
        inp = input("> ")
```

```
...
```

```
        self.evaluate(inp)
```

— rpncalc/rpn_v2.py —

```
class RPNCcalculator:
```

```
...
```

```
    def get_inputs(self) -> list[str]:
```

```
        inp = input(self.config.prompt + " ")
```

```
        return inp.split()
```

```
    def run(self) -> None:
```

```
        while True:
```

```
            for inp in self.get_inputs():
```

```
...
```

```
            self.evaluate(inp)
```

Builtin fixtures

monkeypatch

— rpn calc/rpn_v2.py —

```
class RPNCalculator:
```

```
    ...
```

```
    def get_inputs(self) -> list[str]:  
        inp = input(self.config.prompt + " ")  
        return inp.split()
```

```
    def run(self) -> None:
```

```
        while True:
```

```
            for inp in self.get_inputs():
```

```
                ...
```

```
monkeypatch.setattr(target, "name", value)
```

Demo:

- Add a new test to `test_rpn_v2.py`, which will test `run`.
- **Leave `rpn_v2.py` as-is!**
- Use the `monkeypatch` fixture as argument, to patch `get_inputs` on `rpn`.
- Replace it by a function that returns a fixed list of inputs, **ending in "q"**. You could define a
`def fake_get_inputs():`
or use `lambda: ...`

Builtin fixtures

`tmp_path / tmpdir`

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- Store generated input files for tested code
- Store output files, e.g. measurement data, screenshots, etc.
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`tmp_path`: Based on Python's `pathlib.Path`, a more object-oriented and convenient `os.path` alternative:

```
out_dir_path = pathlib.Path("output")
out_dir_path.mkdir(exist_ok=True)
out_file_path = out_dir_path / "output.txt"
out_file_path.write_text("Hello world!")
```

`tmpdir`:

Based on `py.path.local` from the `py` library (`pylib`) instead, since `pathlib` only exists since Python 3.4.

Should not be used in new code.

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code: Testing the Config object

— rpncalc/rpn_v2.py —————

```
from rpncalc.utils import calc, Config
```

```
class RPNCcalculator:  
    def __init__(self, config):  
        self.config = config  
        self.stack = []
```

...

```
if __name__ == "__main__":  
    config = Config()  
    config.load_env()  
    rpn = RPNCcalculator(config)  
    rpn.run()
```

— rpncalc/utils.py —————

```
class Config:  
    def __init__(self, prompt=">"):  
        self.prompt = prompt  
    ...
```



Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code: Saving and loading config objects

— rpnCalc/utils.py —

```
class Config:
```

```
...
```

```
def load(self, path: pathlib.Path) -> None:
    parser = configparser.ConfigParser()
    parser.read(path)
    self.prompt = parser["rpnCalc"]["prompt"]
```

— rpnCalc.ini —

```
[rpnCalc]
```

```
prompt = rpn>
```

— Loading —

```
ini_path = Path(
    "rpnCalc.ini")
c = Config()
c.load(ini_path)
```

— Usage —

```
rpn> 1
```

```
rpn> 2
```

```
rpn> +
```

```
3
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

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— rpnalc/utils.py —

```
class Config:  
    ...  
  
    def load(self, path: pathlib.Path) -> None:  
        parser = configparser.ConfigParser()  
        parser.read(path)  
        self.prompt = parser["rpnalc"]["prompt"]  
  
    def save(self, path: pathlib.Path) -> None:  
        parser = configparser.ConfigParser()  
        parser["rpnalc"] = {"prompt": self.prompt}  
        with path.open("w") as f:  
            parser.write(f)
```

— Saving —

```
ini_path = Path(  
    "rpnalc.ini")  
c = Config()  
c.prompt = "calc>"  
c.save(ini_path)
```

— rpnalc.ini —

```
[rpnalc]  
prompt = calc>
```

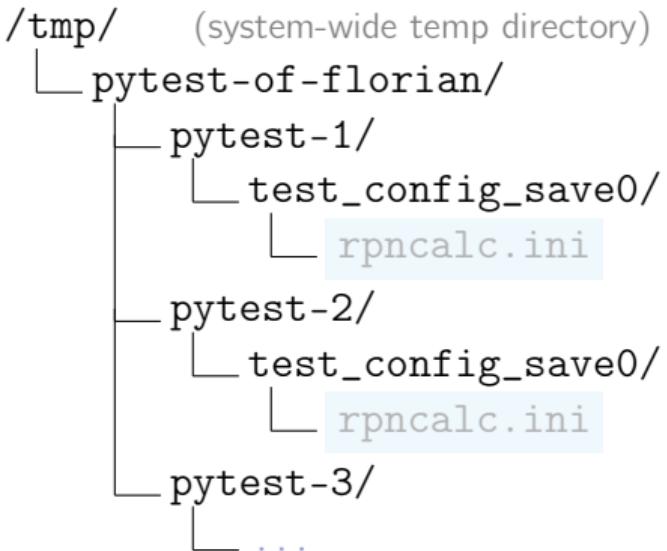
Builtin fixtures

tmp_path

```
— rpnalc/test_utils.py —————
```

```
@pytest.fixture
def ini_path(tmp_path: Path) -> Path:
    return tmp_path / "rpnalc.ini"
```

```
def test_config_save(ini_path: Path, config: Config):
    # call config.save(...), ensure that the ini file is written correctly
    ...
    ...
```



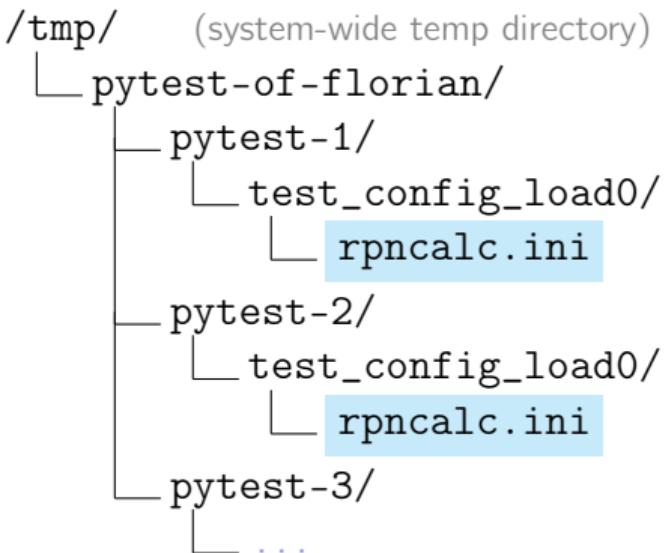
Builtin fixtures

tmp_path

— rpn calc/test_utils.py —————

```
@pytest.fixture
def config_path(ini_path: Path) -> Path:
    contents = (
        "[rpn calc]\n"
        "prompt = rpn>"
    )
    ini_path.write_text(contents)
    return ini_path
```

```
def test_config_load(config_path: Path, config: Config):
    # call config.load(...), ensure that the prompt is set to "rpn>"
    ...
    ...
```



Builtin fixtures

tmp_path

— rpncalc/test_utils.py —————

```
@pytest.fixture
def ini_path(tmp_path: Path) -> Path:
    return tmp_path / "rpncalc.ini"

@pytest.fixture
def config_path(ini_path: Path) -> Path:
    contents = (
        "[rpncalc]\n"
        "prompt = rpn>"
    )
    ini_path.write_text(contents)
    return ini_path
```

Demo:

- Complete `test_config_load`: Call the `config`'s `load` method, ensure prompt was changed.
- Complete `test_config_save` too, using `ini_path` as output file, then reading and asserting on the contents.

pathlib.Path docs:

docs.python.org/3/library/pathlib.html

Debugging failing tests

Arguments for debugging test issues

	--tb	Control traceback generation --tb=auto / long / short / line / native / no
-l	--showlocals	Show locals in tracebacks
--lf	--last-failed	Run last-failed only
--ff	--failed-first	Run last-failed first
--nf	--new-first	Run new test files first
--sw	--stepwise	Look at failures step by step
-x	--maxfail= <i>n</i>	Exit instantly on first / <i>n</i> -th failure
	--pdb	Drop into Python debugger on failures
	--trace	Drop into Python debugger for every test
	--durations= <i>n</i>	Show the <i>n</i> slowest tests/fixtures

See `pytest -h` (`--help`) for many more options.

Tracing fixture setup/teardown

--setup-show Show fixtures as they are set up, used and torn down.

--setup-only Only setup fixtures, do not execute tests.

--setup-plan Show what fixtures/tests would be executed, but don't run.

Output:

```
fixtures/test_fixture.py
```

```
    SETUP      F rpn
```

```
        fixtures/test_fixture.py::test_empty_stack (fixtures used: rpn) .
```

```
    TEARDOWN F rpn
```

F: function scope, there is also **C**lass, **M**odule, **P**ackage, and **S**ession

Adding information to an assert

Using a comma after `assert ...`, additional information can be printed:

```
def test_add(rpn: RPNCalculator):
    rpn.evaluate("2")
    rpn.evaluate("3")
    rpn.evaluate("1")
    rpn.evaluate("+")
    assert rpn.stack[-1] == 6, rpn.stack
```

Output:

```
E    AssertionError: [2.0, 4.0]
E    assert 4.0 == 6
```

Using pdb for debugging

pdb is a command-line debugger for Python.

Trigger it with `--pdb` or `--trace` in pytest,
or `breakpoint()` in your code.

At the (pdb) prompt, you can use:

`bt` / `w` / `where` Print the traceback

`l` / `list` Show the current source code

`h` / `help` Show help

`p` / `pp` (Pretty) print a variable

`c` / `continue` Continue to next breakpoint

`d` / `down`, `u` / `up` Move up/down the stack

`interact` Open Python shell

(Pdb) `list`

```
...  
13     elif op == "/":  
14     ->      return a / b
```

(Pdb) `p a`

2

(Pdb) `p b`

0

Showing slow test durations

Running e.g. `pytest --durations=20` reveals slow tests:

```
2.00s setup    fixtures/test_fixture_scope_reset.py::test_a
2.00s setup    fixtures/test_fixture_scope.py::test_b
2.00s setup    fixtures/test_fixture_scope.py::test_a
1.00s call     marking/test_marking.py::test_slow_api
0.27s call     mocking/test_real.py::test_convert
...

```

(4 durations < 0.005s hidden. Use `-vv` to show these durations.)

Mocking

You...

- Used **unittest.mock** or **pytest-mock**?
- Used a mocking lib like **responses**, **freezegun**, **time-machine**?
- Used **VCR.py**?
- Used **pytest-httpserver** or similar?
- Used **hypothesis**?

Mocking: injecting “fake” objects

“Mocking out” dependencies helps to:

- Avoid depending on external resources
- Avoid depending on (network) IO
- Avoid depending on heavy integration with other code
- Have smaller, faster tests focused on one aspect

However, mocking increases test maintenance costs.

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Adding currency conversion

`requests` Simple HTTP client library for Python

`exchangeit.app` Free currency conversion API,
no API key needed (thanks!)

```
>>> import requests
>>> url = "https://api.exchangeit.app/v1/currencies/eur/latest"
>>> res = requests.get(url, params={"for": ["chf"]})
>>> res.json()
{
    "copyright": { ... },
    "data": {
        "alias": "eur", "title": "Euro",
        "rates": [{"alias": "chf", "rate": 0.9771274994, ...}]
    }
}
```

^{ex} €Change it



Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Adding currency conversion

In `code/`, using `python -m rpn calc.rpn_v3`:

```
> 100
> eur2chf
Fetching exchange rates...
98.05
> 10
> chf2eur
10.20
> q
```

Demo: Run the calculator, exchange something between EUR/CHF. Take a look at `rpn_v3.py` and `convert.py`, the code will be explained on the next slides.

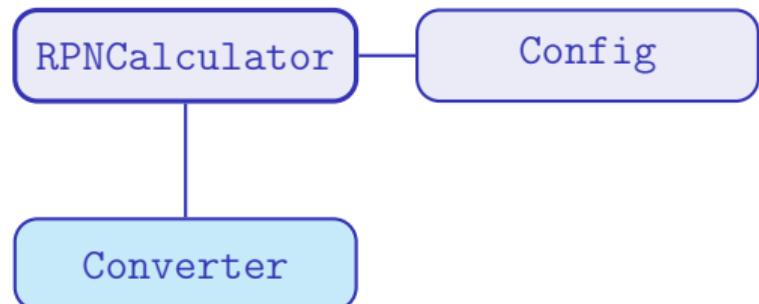
Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code changes

— rpncalc/rpn_v3.py —

```
from rpncalc.utils import calc, Config
from rpncalc.convert import Converter
```

```
class RPNCcalculator:
    def __init__(self, config):
        self.converter = Converter()
        self.config = config
        self.stack = []
```



Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code changes

— rpncalc/rpn_v3.py —

```
class RPNCcalculator:  
    ...  
  
    def evaluate(self, inp: str) -> None:  
        try:  
            self.stack.append(float(inp))  
            return  
        except ValueError:  
            pass  
  
        if inp in ["eur2chf", "chf2eur"]:  
            self._evaluate_convert(inp)  
            return  
    ...
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code changes

```
def _evaluate_convert(self, inp: str) -> None:  
    try:  
        amount = self.stack.pop()  
    except IndexError:  
        print("Not enough operands")  
    return
```

```
if inp == "eur2chf":  
    res = self.converter.eur2chf(amount)  
elif inp == "chf2eur":  
    res = self.converter.chf2eur(amount)  
  
self.stack.append(res)  
print(f"{res:.2f}")
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code changes

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        res = self.converter.chf2eur(amount)

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```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

Code changes

```
— rpncalc/convert.py —————

class Converter:

    ...

    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:
        eur2chf_rate = self._fetch()
        return amount * eur2chf_rate

    def chf2eur(self, amount: float) -> float:
        eur2chf_rate = self._fetch()
        return amount / eur2chf_rate

    @cache
    def _fetch(self) -> float:
        # Download and return rate, cached after first download
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Functional test

A functional test might look like this:

```
— mocking/test_real.py —————

@pytest.fixture
def rpn() -> RPNCcalculator:
    return RPNCcalculator(Config())

def test_convert(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
    rpn.stack = [10]
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")
    rpn.evaluate("chf2eur")
    assert rpn.stack[-1] == 10
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Functional test

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@pytest.fixture
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    rpn.evaluate("chf2eur")
    assert rpn.stack[-1] == 10
```

Observations:

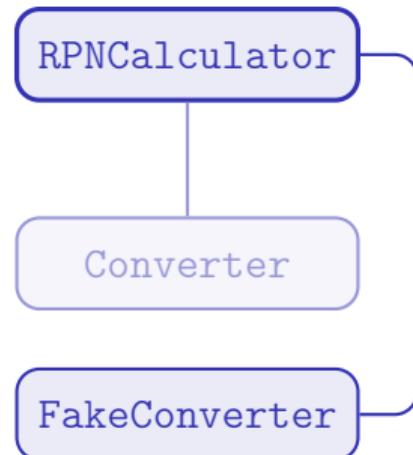
- + Testing the real API, like a user would
- + Fixture is very simple
- Depends on reachability of remote HTTP API server
- Somewhat slow, depending on network
- Hard to test actual values

Testing the v3 calculator

Fake class

— mocking/test_fake.py —————

```
class FakeConverter:  
    RATE = 2  
  
    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        return amount * self.RATE  
  
    def chf2eur(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        return amount / self.RATE
```



Testing the v3 calculator

Fixture and test

— rpn calc/rpn_v3.py —————

```
class RPNCalculator:  
    def __init__(self, config):  
        self.converter = Converter()  
        self.config = config  
        self.stack = []
```

— mocking/test_fake.py —————

```
@pytest.fixture  
def rpn(monkeypatch):  
    calc = RPNCalculator(Config())  
    monkeypatch setattr(  
        calc,  
        "converter",  
        FakeConverter()  
    )  
    return calc
```

```
def test_convert(rpn):  
    rpn.stack = [10]  
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")  
    assert rpn.stack == [20]
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Result

Observations:

- + Faster
- + No network dependency
- + Test is more minimal:
Can test EUR ↔ CHF
independently, with real
values
- More complexity in fixture
- Patching requires care: If we
e.g. change `self.converter`
to `self._converter`,
test code needs changes too.

How can we do better?

Testing the v3 calculator

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How can we do better? Dependency injection!

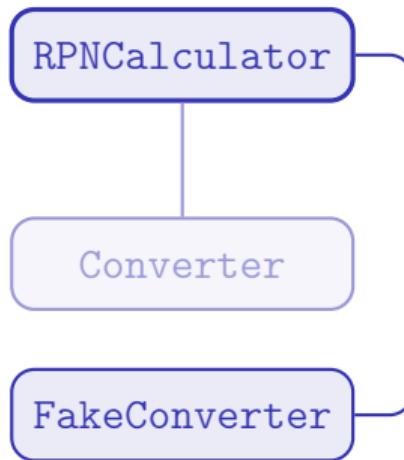
Demo:

- Adjust `RPNCalculator` in `rpnalc/rpn_v3.py`,
so that it takes a `converter` argument and stores
it in `self.converter`
- Adjust the `if __name__ == "__main__":`
block, to create and pass a `Converter()`,
like with `Config()` (use keyword arguments?)
- Make sure running the calculator still works
(`python -m rpnalc.rpn_v3`, see slide 86)
- Adjust the `rpn` fixture in `mocking/test_fake.py`
to pass `FakeConverter()` as argument instead of
using `monkeypatch`

Testing the v3 calculator

Ensuring correctness

How do we ensure our `FakeConverter` behaves like the real one?



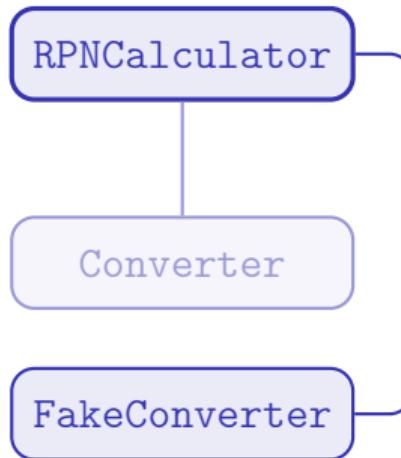
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Ensuring correctness

How do we ensure our `FakeConverter` behaves like the real one?

Various options:

- Use a library like `unittest.mock` with `spec` or `autospec=True` (weak guarantee)
- Use a type checker like `mypy` to ensure the interface matches (stronger guarantee)
- Periodically run tests with the real converter instead (strong guarantee)



Testing the v3 calculator

Using unittest.mock instead

— mocking/test_fake_mock.py —

```
@pytest.fixture
def rpn(mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture) -> RPNCcalculator:
    mock = mocker.Mock(spec=Converter)
    mock.eur2chf.return_value = 20
    mock.chf2eur.return_value = 5
    return RPNCcalculator(config=Config(), converter=mock)

def test_convert(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
    rpn.stack = [10]
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")
    assert rpn.stack == [20]

    rpn.converter.eur2chf.assert_called_once_with(10)
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Using unittest.mock instead

```
— mocking/test_fake_mock.py —  
  
@pytest.fixture  
def rpn(mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture) -> RPNC计算器:  
    mock = mocker.Mock(spec=Converter)  
    mock.eur2chf.return_value = 20  
    mock.chf2eur.return_value = 5  
    return RPNC计算器(config=Config(), converter=mock)  
  
def test_convert(rpn: RPNC计算器):  
    rpn.stack = [10]  
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")  
    assert rpn.stack == [20]  
  
    rpn.converter.eur2chf.assert_called_once_with(10)
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Using unittest.mock instead

— mocking/test_fake_mock.py —

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def rpn(mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture) -> RPNCcalculator:
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    mock.eur2chf.return_value = 20
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    return RPNCcalculator(config=Config(), converter=mock)
```

```
def test_convert(rpn: RPNCcalculator):
    rpn.stack = [10]
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")
    assert rpn.stack == [20]
```

```
rpn.converter.eur2chf.assert_called_once_with(10)
```

Testing the v3 calculator

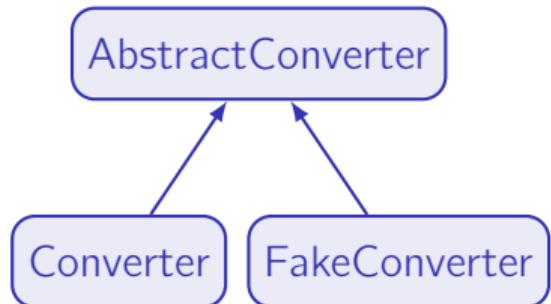
Using unittest.mock instead

```
— mocking/test_fake_mock.py —  
  
@pytest.fixture  
def rpn(mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture) -> RPNC计算器:  
    mock = mocker.Mock(spec=Converter)  
    mock.eur2chf.return_value = 20  
    mock.chf2eur.return_value = 5  
    return RPNC计算器(config=Config(), converter=mock)  
  
def test_convert(rpn: RPNC计算器):  
    rpn.stack = [10]  
    rpn.evaluate("eur2chf")  
    assert rpn.stack == [20]  
  
    rpn.converter.eur2chf.assert_called_once_with(10)
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Using type checking

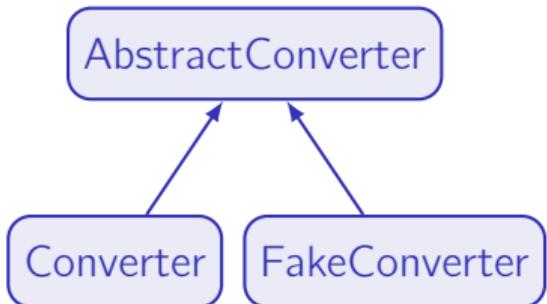
```
class AbstractConverter:  
    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def chf2eur(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError
```



Testing the v3 calculator

Using type checking

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class AbstractConverter:  
    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
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        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError
```



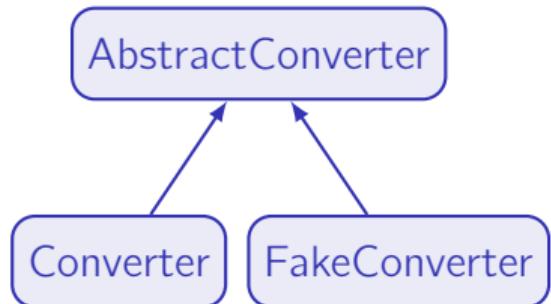
— rpn calc/convert.py —————

```
class Converter(AbstractConverter):  
    ...
```

Testing the v3 calculator

Using type checking

```
class AbstractConverter:  
    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def chf2eur(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        raise NotImplementedError
```



— rpnCalc/convert.py —————

```
class Converter(AbstractConverter):
```

...

— tests/test_fake.py —————

```
class FakeConverter(AbstractConverter):
```

...

Testing the v3 calculator

Testing against real API

— conftest.py —

```
def pytest_addoption(parser: pytest.Parser) -> None:  
    parser.addoption("--real-api", action="store_true")
```

@pytest.fixture

```
def rpn(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> RPNCcalculator:  
    if request.config.option.real_api:  
        converter = Converter()  
    else:  
        converter = FakeConverter()  
    return RPNCcalculator(config=Config(), converter=converter)
```

\$ pytest ⇒ FakeConverter()

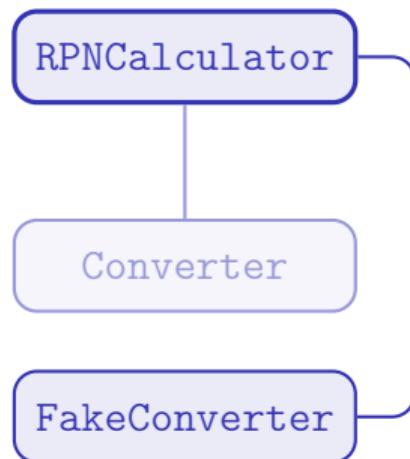
\$ pytest --real-api ⇒ real Converter()

Testing the v3 calculator

Where we are, what's next

We've found various strategies to test the `RPNCalculator` changes:

- Using `monkeypatch` with a hand-written fake class
- Using dependency injection, avoiding need to patch
- Using `unittest.mock` instead via `pytest-mock`
- Ensuring correctness on a type level with an abstract class and e.g. `mypy`
- Ensuring correctness by periodically running tests against the real API



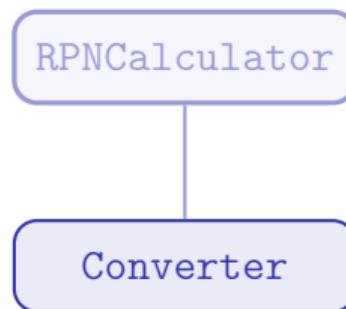
Testing the v3 calculator

Where we are, what's next

We still need to test the `Converter` class itself.

Next up:

- Naive approach: Using `monkeypatch` to patch `requests.get`
- Using `unittest.mock` — still low-level!
- Using mocking libraries: `responses`, `VCR.py`
- Back to functional tests: `pytest-httpserver`



Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

The Converter class

— rpncalc/convert.py —————

```
class Converter:  
    ...  
  
    def eur2chf(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        eur2chf_rate = self._fetch()  
        return amount * eur2chf_rate  
  
    def chf2eur(self, amount: float) -> float:  
        eur2chf_rate = self._fetch()  
        return amount / eur2chf_rate  
  
    @cache  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        ...
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

The Converter class

— rpnalc/convert.py —

```
class Converter:  
    API_URL = "https://api.exchangeit.app/v1/currencies/eur/latest"  
    HEADERS = {"User-Agent": "rpnalc/0.1 (florian@bruhin.software)"}  
    PARAMS = {"for": "chf"}  
  
    ...  
  
    @cache  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        print("Fetching exchange rates...")  
        response = requests.get(  
            self.API_URL,  
            params=self.PARAMS,  
            headers=self.HEADERS,  
        )  
  
        ...
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

The Converter class

```
— rpn calc/convert.py —
```

```
class Converter:  
    ...  
    @cache  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        ...  
        response = requests.get(...)  
        response.raise_for_status()  
        d = response.json()  
        rates = d["data"]["rates"]  
        return rates[0]["rate"]
```

Reverse Polish Notation (RPN)

The Converter class

— rpn calc/convert.py —

```
class Converter:  
    ...  
    @cache  
    def _fetch(self) -> float:  
        ...  
        response = requests.get(...)  
        response.raise_for_status()  
        d = response.json()  
        rates = d["data"]["rates"]  
        return rates[0]["rate"]
```

```
{  
    ...  
    "data": {  
        "alias": "eur",  
        "title": "Euro",  
        "rates": [  
            {  
                "alias": "chf",  
                "rate": 0.977...,  
                ...  
            },  
        ]  
    }  
}
```

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: unittest.mock?

— mocking/converter/conftest.py

```
@pytest.fixture
def exchange_data() -> dict:
    rates = [{"alias": "chf", "rate": 2}]
    return {"data": {"alias": "eur", "rates": rates}}
```

— mocking/converter/test_mock.py

```
@pytest.fixture(autouse=True)
def mock_requests_get(
    mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture,
    exchange_data: dict,
):
```

...

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: unittest.mock?

— mocking/converter/test_mock.py —

```
@pytest.fixture(autouse=True)
def mock_requests_get(
    mocker: pytest_mock.MockerFixture,
    exchange_data: dict,
):
    mock_get = mocker.patch.object(requests, "get", autospec=True)
    mock_get(Converter.API_URL).json.return_value = exchange_data
    yield mock_get
    mock_get.assert_called_with(
        Converter.API_URL,
        params=Converter.PARAMS,
        headers=Converter.HEADERS
)
```

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: unittest.mock?

— mocking/converter/test_mock.py —

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Testing the Converter

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)
```

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: unittest.mock?

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    mock_get(Converter.API_URL).json.return_value = exchange_data
    yield mock_get

    mock_get.assert_called_with(
        Converter.API_URL,
        params=Converter.PARAMS,
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    )
```

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: unittest.mock?

Observations:

- + No need to hand-roll a `FakeResponse`
- + More safety due to `autospec=True`

Testing the Converter

Reducing complexity: `unittest.mock?`

Observations:

- + No need to hand-roll a `FakeResponse`
- + More safety due to `autospec=True`
- Tedious; “weird” `unittest.mock` API
- Still needs to know about implementation

Maybe there's no need to hand-roll mocks?

Ready-made mocking libraries

requests **responses**, betamax, requests-mock

aiohttp aioresponses

HTTP in general **VCR.py**, HTTPretty, pook

sockets in general mocket

time/datetime freezegun, time-machine

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Maybe there's no need to hand-roll mocks?

Ready-made mocking libraries

requests **responses**, betamax, requests-mock

aiohttp aioresponses

HTTP in general **VCR.py**, HTTPretty, pook

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Result: More high-level abstraction for mocking
(e.g. HTTP responses instead of the Python API).

Well-tested mocks, usually covering the entire API of a library.

Not many high-level mocking libraries exist (wish more projects would do this!)
But if one does, **use it!**



Testing the Converter

High-level mocking with responses

— mocking/converter/test_responses.py —

```
@pytest.fixture(autouse=True)
def patch_requests_get(
    responses: RequestsMock, exchange_data: dict
) -> None:
    responses.get(
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        json=exchange_data,
        match=[
            matchers.query_param_matcher(Converter.PARAMS),
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- ± We still need to provide the data manually
 - + Possibility to test corner cases
 - Needs care so data is same as real API

Testing the Converter

High(er)-level mocking with VCR.py

— mocking/converter/test_vcr.py

```
@pytest.mark.vcr
```

```
def test_eur2chf(converter: Converter):
    assert converter.eur2chf(1) == pytest.approx(0.98, rel=1e-2)
```

```
@pytest.mark.vcr
```

```
def test_chf2eur(converter: Converter):
    assert converter.chf2eur(1) == pytest.approx(1.02, rel=1e-2)
```

Note: The `pytest-recording` plugin to integrate VCR.py is disabled in this training, as it runs many fixtures with `autouse=True`, interfering with some exercises.

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```

\$ pytest test_vcr.py

```
...
vcr.errors.CannotOverwriteExistingCassetteException: Can't overwrite
existing cassette ('.../converter/cassettes/test_vcr/
test_eur2chf.yaml') in your current record mode ('none').
```

No match for the request (<Request (GET) https://api.exchangeit.app/
v1/currencies/eur/latest?for=chf>) was found.

No similar requests, that have not been played, found.

Testing the Converter

High(er)-level mocking with VCR.py

```
$ pytest --record-mode=once test_vcr.py
```

...

```
converter/test_vcr.py ..
```

```
===== 2 passed in 0.86s =====
```

Testing the Converter

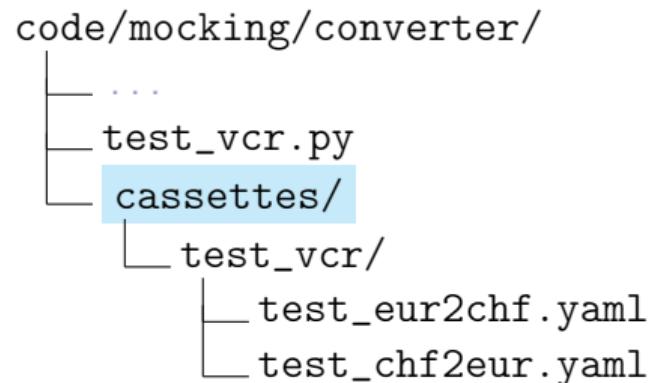
High(er)-level mocking with VCR.py

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```

...

```
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Testing the Converter

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```

```
...
```

```
converter/test_vcr.py ..
```

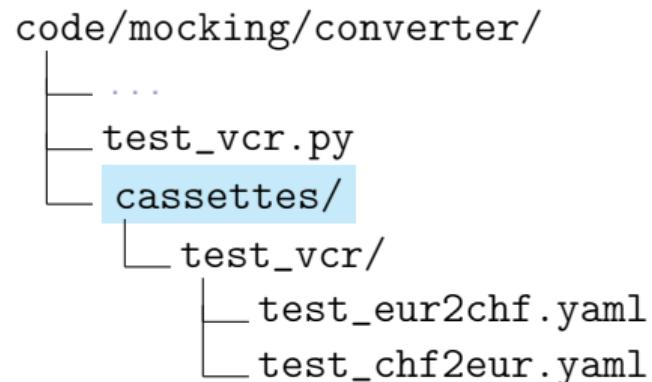
```
===== 2 passed in 0.86s =====
```

```
$ pytest test_vcr.py
```

```
...
```

```
converter/test_vcr.py ..
```

```
===== 2 passed in 0.05s =====
```



To re-record existing cassettes:
--record-mode=all.

Testing the Converter

High(er)-level mocking with VCR.py

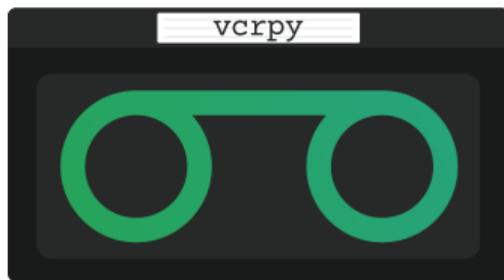
```
interactions:  
- request:  
    uri: https://api.exchangeit.app/v1/currencies/eur/latest?for=chf  
    method: GET  
    headers:  
        ...  
        User-Agent:  
        - rpncalc/0.1 (florian@bruhin.software)  
    body: null  
response:  
    body:  
        string: '{"data":{"rates":[{"alias":"chf","rate":0.9771274}]}'*  
        headers: ... * (simplified)  
    status: {"code": 200, "message": "OK"}  
version: 1
```

Testing the Converter

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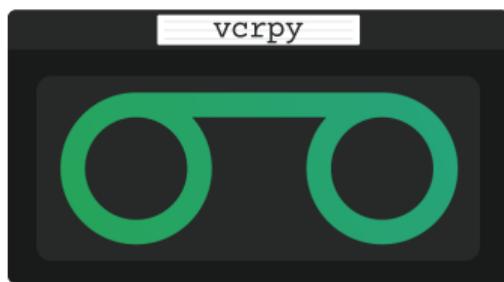


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- Much harder to test corner cases
(though we can write manual cassettes)
- Tests are less expressive for documentation



Maybe there's no need to mock?

Consider using the real thing

Databases sqlite, pytest-postgresql, pytest-mongo,
pytest-mysql, pytest-dynamodb

HTTP servers **pytest-httserver**, pytest-localserver;
Flask and cheroot

Others pytest-rabbitmq, pytest-solr,
pytest-elasticsearch, pytest-redis, pytest-grpc,
pytest-localserver (SMTP)

Generic pytest-xprocess, pytest-docker



Different approaches to mocking

- Hand-written stubs with `monkeypatch`
 - Possibly using an abstract base class and `mypy`
 - Possibly using a `--real-thing` option to cross-check
- Automated mocks with `unittest.mock` (via `pytest-mock`)
- Write code in a flexible enough way so you don't need to patch
- Use a pre-made mocking library (e.g. `responses`, `VCR.py`)
- Can you easily use the real thing instead? (e.g. `pytest-httpserver`)

Some plugins

Using the coverage plugin

Install plugin: `pip install pytest-cov`

Options:

`--cov=path` filesystem path to generate coverage for

`--cov-report=type` type of report ("term", "html", ...)

`--cov-config=path` path of `.coveragerc` file



Demo:

- Run `pytest --cov=rpnCalc/ --cov-report=term-missing rpnCalc/` in the `code/` folder, take a look at the terminal output.
- Rerun with `--cov-report=html`, then open `htmlcov/index.html`, look at the report

pytest-bdd: Behavior driven testing

Gherkin (Cucumber)

```
— article.feature —————
```

```
Scenario: Publishing the article
```

```
  Given I'm an author user
```

```
  And I have an article
```

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  When I go to the article page
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  And I press the publish button
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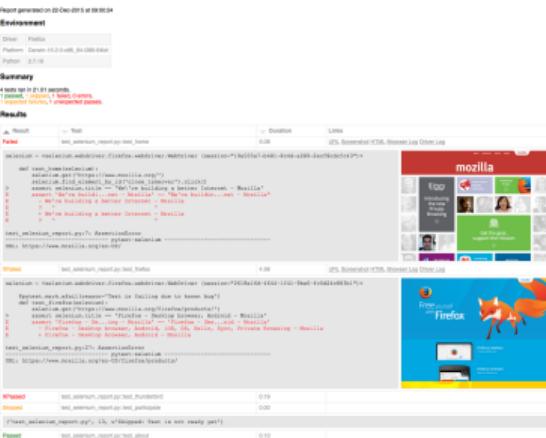
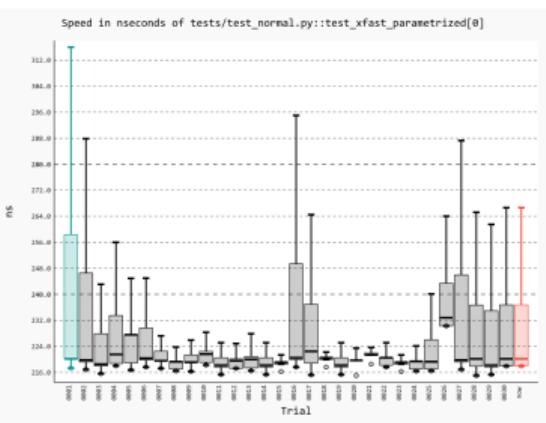
— test_article.py —————

```
@when("I go to the article page")
def go_to_article(article, browser):
    browser.visit(article.url())
```

```
@when("I press the publish button")
def publish_article(browser):
    browser.find_by_id(...).click()
```

Plugins, plugins . . .

- **Property-based testing:** hypothesis
- **Customized reporting:** pytest-html, pytest-rich, pytest-instafail, pytest-emoji
- **Repeating tests:** pytest-repeat, pytest-rerunfailures, pytest-benchmark
- **Framework/Language integration:** pytest-twisted, pytest-django, pytest-qt, pytest-asyncio, pytest-cpp
- **Coverage and mock integration:**
pytest-cov, pytest-mock
- **Other:** pytest-bdd (behaviour-driven testing),
pytest-xdist (distributed testing)
- ... ≈ 1400 more: https://docs.pytest.org/en/latest/reference/plugin_list.html





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Idea behind “Property-Based testing” (popularized by QuickCheck/Haskell):

- Generate input data based on a *strategy* (how should the data look?)
- Run the test case many times (say, 100), with different random generated data
- Check for *properties* / *invariants* that should hold for all input data
- If there is a failure, *minimize* the input data to a minimal failing example

Property-based testing with Hypothesis

Old buggy RPN calculator

— rpncalc/rpn_v1.py —————

```
class RPNCcalculator:  
    ...  
  
    def evaluate(self, inp: str):  
        if inp.isdigit():  
            n = float(inp)  
            self.stack.append(n)  
        elif inp in "+-*/":  
            b = self.stack.pop()  
            a = self.stack.pop()  
            res = calc(a, b, inp)  
            self.stack.append(res)  
        print(res)
```

> 1

> +

Traceback (most recent call last):

...

File ..., in <module>
rpn.run()

File ..., in run

self.evaluate(inp)

File ..., in evaluate

a = self.stack.pop()

IndexError: pop from empty list

Property-based testing with Hypothesis

Old buggy RPN calculator: Hypothesis test

```
— plugins/test_hypothesis_rpncalc_v1.py

from hypothesis import given, strategies as st
from rpncalc.rpn_v1 import RPNCcalculator

@given(st.text())
def test_random_strings(s):
    rpn = RPNCcalculator()
    rpn.evaluate(s)
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```
elif inp in "+-*/":
    ...
    ...
```

```
>>> "" in "+-*/"
True
```

Property-based testing with Hypothesis

Surely v3 is bug-free?

```
— rpncalc/rpn_v3.py —————
```

```
class RPNCcalculator:  
    ...  
  
    def evaluate(self, inp):  
        ...  
        if len(self.stack) < 2:  
            print("Not enough operands")  
            return  
  
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test_random_strings PASSED

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```
@given(st.integers(), st.integers())
def test_operators(n1, n2):
    rpn = RPNCcalculator(Config())
    rpn.evaluate(str(n1))
    rpn.evaluate(str(n2))
    rpn.evaluate("+")
    assert rpn.stack == [n1 + n2]
```

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> 0

> +

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— `rpncalc/rpn_v3.py` —

...
`self.stack.append(float(inp))`

Property-based testing with Hypothesis

More sophisticated strategies

```
@given(  
    st.lists(  
        st.one_of(  
            st.integers().map(str),  
            st.floats().map(str),  
            st.just("+"), st.just("-"),  
            st.just("*"), st.just("/"),  
        )  
    )  
  
def test_usage(inputs):  
    rpn = RPNCcalculator(Config())  
    for inp in inputs:  
        rpn.evaluate(inp)
```

Property-based testing with Hypothesis

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def test_usage(inputs):  
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```

Trying example: test_usage(
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 '/', '-10', '110', '+', '+'])
Not enough operands
100.0
100.0

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Property-based testing with Hypothesis

What it can do

- Generate data based on types/strategies
- Combine/filter various strategies to generate more sophisticated data
- Generate names, etc. via fakefactory
- Generate data matching a Django model
- Generate data matching a grammar
- Generate test code (rather than data) based on a state machine

Writing your own plugins

Writing pytest plugins

Plugins come in two flavours:

- Local plugins: `conftest.py` files
- Installable plugins via `setuptools` entry points

They can contain fixtures, plus hook implementations for:

- configuration
- collection
- test running
- reporting

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A hook is auto-discovered by its `pytest_...` name.

Hook mechanism

All hook implementations have a `pytest_` prefix.

The argument names **must** match the precise signature names:

ok:

```
def pytest_configure(config):  
    ...
```

You can accept fewer parameters:

```
def pytest_configure():  
    ...
```

mismatch:

```
def pytest_configure(cfg):  
    ...
```

As with fixtures, imagine pytest calling your function with keyword arguments:

```
pytest_configure(config=pytest.Config(...))
```

Anatomy of a pytest run

main()

```
  __ Import and register built-in plugins:  
    pytest_plugin_registered  
    pytest_adoption  
    pytest_cmdline_parse  
    pytest_cmdline_main  
      pytest_configure  
      pytest_sessionstart  
        pytest_report_header  
    pytest_collection  
      ...  
    pytest_runtestloop  
      ...  
    pytest_sessionfinish  
      pytest_terminal_summary  
  pytest_unconfigure
```

Bootstrapping

Initialization

Collection

Running / Reporting

Finishing

The pytest_adoption hook

```
def pytest_adoption(  
    parser: Parser,  
    pluginmanager: PytestPluginManager,  
) -> None:  
    """Register argparse-style options and ini-style config values,  
    called once at the beginning of a test run.  
  
    [...]  
    """
```

Configuring fixtures with command line options

Add and use command line options:

— fixtures/cli_opt/conftest.py —————

```
def pytest_addoption(parser: pytest.Parser) -> None:
    parser.addoption("--server-ip", type=str)

@pytest.fixture
def server_ip(request: pytest.FixtureRequest) -> str:
    return request.config.option.server_ip
```

Demo: fixtures/cli_opt/

- Using this `conftest.py`, writing a test using the `server_ip` fixture
- Invoking with different `--server-ip` option values

Reporting hooks

```
def pytest_report_header(  
    config: pytest.Config,  
    start_path: pathlib.Path,  
) -> str | list[str]:  
    """Return a string or list of strings to be displayed  
    as header info for terminal reporting."""  
  
def pytest_terminal_summary(  
    terminalreporter,    # currently undocumented...  
    exitstatus: pytest.ExitCode,  
    config: pytest.Config,  
) -> None:  
    """Add a section to terminal summary reporting."""
```

Adding to header and summary

pytest_report_header

— hooks/reporting/conftest.py —————

```
def pytest_report_header() -> list[str]:  
    return ["extrainfo: line 1"]
```

```
$ pytest
```

```
===== test session starts =====
```

```
platform linux -- Python ..., pytest-..., pluggy-...
```

```
extrainfo: line 1
```

```
...
```

```
===== no tests ran in 0.00s =====
```

Adding to header and summary

pytest_terminal_summary

— hooks/reporting/conftest.py —————

```
def pytest_terminal_summary(terminalreporter) -> None:  
    if terminalreporter.verbosity >= 1:  
        terminalreporter.section("my special section")  
        terminalreporter.line("report something here")
```

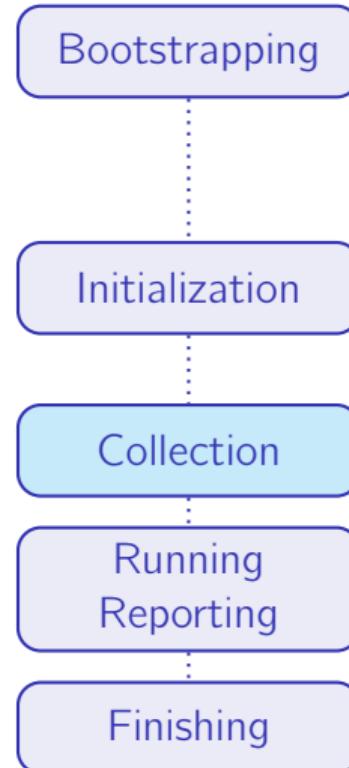
\$ pytest -v

```
===== test session starts =====  
.  
===== my special section =====  
report something here  
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```

Anatomy of a pytest run

main()

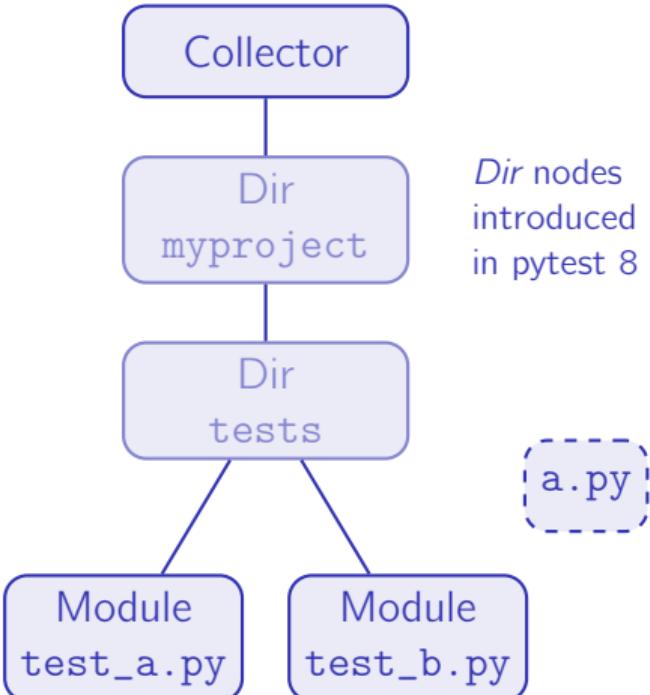
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      ├── pytest_plugin_registered  
      ├── pytest_addoption  
      ├── pytest_cmdline_parse  
      └── pytest_cmdline_main  
          ├── pytest_configure  
          ├── pytest_sessionstart  
          │   └── pytest_report_header  
          ├── pytest_collection  
          │   └── ...  
          └── pytest_runtestloop  
              └── ...  
      └── pytest_sessionfinish  
          └── pytest_terminal_summary  
      └── pytest_unconfigure
```



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Collecting files

```
pytest_collection
    ├── pytest_collectstart
    ├── pytest_make_collect_report
    │   ├── pytest_ignore_collect
    │   ├── pytest_collect_file
    │   │   └── pytest_pycollect_makemodule
    │   ├── pytest_ignore_collect
    │   └── pytest_collect_file
    │       └── pytest_pycollect_makemodule
    │           (repeat)
    ├── pytest_itemcollected
    │   (repeat)
    └── pytest_collectreport
        ...
    ...
```



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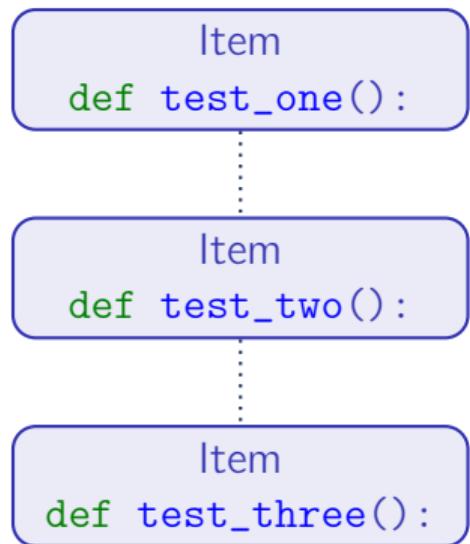
Collecting tests

```
pytest_collection
  ...
  pytest_collectstart
  pytest_make_collect_report
    pytest_pycollect_makeitem
    pytest_pycollect_makeitem
      pytest_generate_tests
        pytest_make_parametrize_id
        (repeat)
    pytest_itemcollected
    (repeat)
  pytest_collectreport
    pytest_collection_modifyitems
  pytest_collection_finish
    pytest_report_collectionfinish
```

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Collecting tests

```
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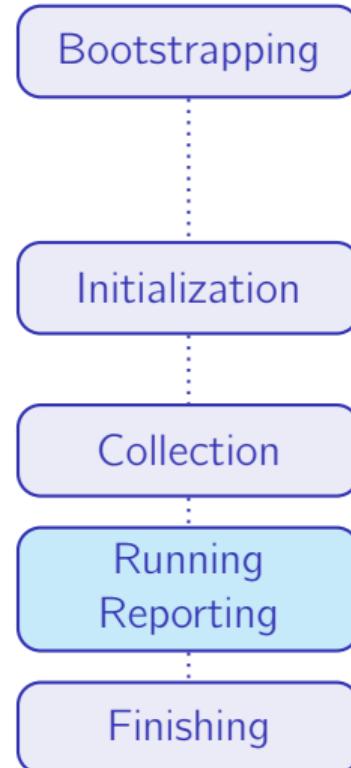
We can use the hook to e.g. add a marker to all tests using a certain fixture:

```
def pytest_collection_modifyitems(items: list[pytest.Item]) -> None:
    for item in items:
        if "qapp" in getattr(item, "fixturenames", []):
            item.add_marker("gui")
```

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main()

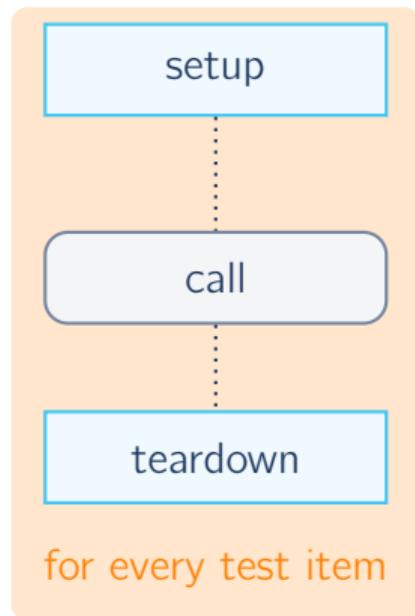
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Running tests

```
pytest_runtestloop
  └─ pytest_runtest_protocol
    └─ pytest_runtest_logstart
    └─ pytest_runtest_setup
    └─ pytest_runtest_makereport
    └─ pytest_runtest_logreport
      └─ pytest_runtest_teststatus
    └─ pytest_runtest_call
      └─ pytest_pyfunc_call
        ... (makereport, logreport)
    └─ pytest_runtest_teardown
      ... (makereport, logreport)
    └─ pytest_runtest_logfinish
  (repeat)
```



Making a plugin installable

```
— code/hooks/yaml/pyproject.toml —
```

```
[project]
```

```
name = "pytest-yamlcalc"
```

```
description = "yaml-based rpn calculator tests"
```

```
...
```

```
classifiers = ["Framework :: Pytest", ...]
```

```
dependencies = ["pytest>=7.0.0", ...]
```

```
[project.entry-points.pytest11]
```

```
yamlcalc = "pytest_yamlcalc.plugin"
```

```
[...]
```

```
...
```

Cookiecutter makes things easier

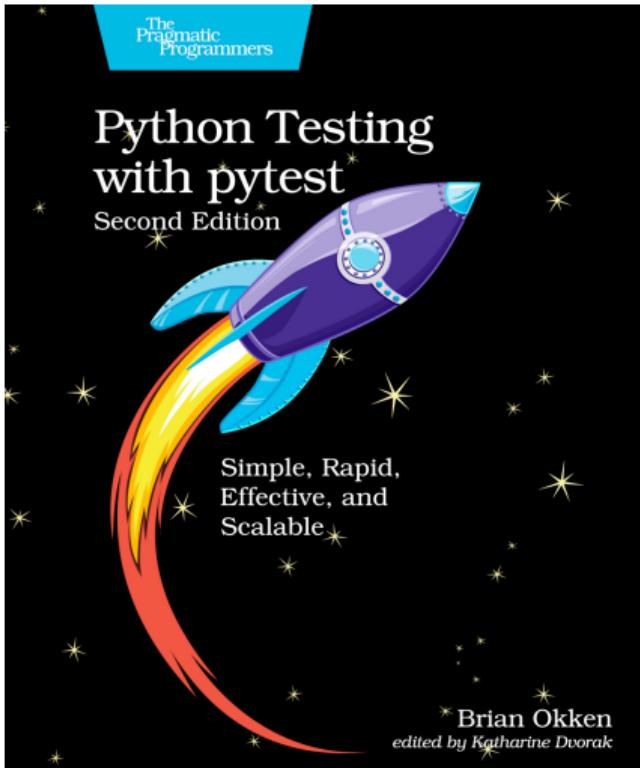
- pip install cookiecutter
- cookiecutter <https://github.com/pytest-dev/cookiecutter-pytest-plugin>



```
pytest-yamlcalc/
├── .gitignore
├── .github/workflows/main.yml
└── docs
    ├── conf.py
    ├── index.rst
    └── ...
├── LICENSE
├── MANIFEST.in
└── src/pytest-yamlcalc
    ├── __init__.py
    └── plugin.py
├── README.rst
├── pyproject.toml
└── tests
    ├── conftest.py
    └── test_yamlcalc.py
└── tox.ini
```

Book recommendation

Brian Okken: Python Testing with pytest, Second Edition (The Pragmatic Bookshelf)



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Upcoming events

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HSLU Rotkreuz, Switzerland

- **March 4th to 6th, 2025**

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