CS 731: Software Testing

PROJECT REPORT

Topic: MUTATION TESTING

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Introduction to Mutation Testing

What is Mutation Testing?

Mutation testing is a software testing technique used to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of test cases. It involves modifying the source code in small ways, known as "mutants," to simulate potential errors or bugs. The primary goal is to determine whether the existing test cases can detect these changes, thereby ensuring they are robust enough to catch real-world issues.

How Mutation Testing Works

- **1.** Mutation Generation: Small changes, such as replacing an operator (+ with -) or altering a condition (== with !=), are introduced into the code. These changes simulate typical coding mistakes.
- 2. Test Execution: The test suite is run against the mutated code.
- 3. Result Analysis:
 - If the test suite fails for a mutant, the mutant is considered "killed," indicating the tests are effective.
 - o If the test suite passes, the mutant "survives," suggesting a gap in the tests.

Purpose of Mutation Testing

Traditional code coverage metrics like line or branch coverage indicate how much of the code is executed during tests but do not ensure the quality of the test cases. Mutation testing addresses this limitation by measuring how well the tests detect faults, making it an excellent indicator of test suite effectiveness.

Benefits of Mutation Testing

 Improved Test Coverage: Highlights weak or missing test cases, encouraging comprehensive coverage.

- Fault Detection: Simulates real-world bugs to ensure the system behaves correctly under potential error conditions.
- Confidence in Code Quality: Enhances confidence in the reliability of the software by ensuring robust testing practices.

Challenges of Mutation Testing

- Performance Overhead: Running tests against multiple mutants can be time-consuming.
- False Positives: Certain mutants may survive due to equivalent functionality, not because of inadequate tests.
- Complexity: Requires specialized tools and setup, especially for large projects.

Role of Mutation Testing in This Project

In this project, mutation testing is applied to the banking system to:

- 1. Evaluate the effectiveness of both unit and integration tests.
- Identify untested edge cases or scenarios.
- 3. Ensure the reliability of critical banking operations, such as transactions and account management, by exposing potential weaknesses in the test suite.

By combining JUnit for unit testing, Mockito for mocking in integration tests, and PIT for mutation testing, the project demonstrates a comprehensive approach to testing and validating software quality.

In Mutation Testing in Python,we used Mutpy to perform the testing. Following are the operators in python:

- AOR
- LOR
- COR
- CBR
- CR
- VR
- SD
- LBR
- FCR
- ER
- UOI
- BCR

Unit Testing and Integration Testing

Unit Testing

Unit testing focuses on testing individual components or units of code, such as methods or classes, in isolation. The goal is to ensure that each unit performs as expected.

Characteristics of Unit Testing

- Isolated Testing: Tests only one class or method at a time, without dependencies on other parts of the system.
- Early Detection: Helps identify bugs early in the development lifecycle.
- Automated Frameworks: Frameworks like JUnit in Java enable developers to write automated tests for each unit efficiently.

Advantages of Unit Testing

- Fault Localization: Errors are easier to identify because tests are isolated to specific methods or classes.
- 2. Improved Code Quality: Encourages developers to write modular and testable code.
- 3. Regression Safety: Helps catch errors introduced during code changes.

Integration Testing

Integration testing ensures that multiple components or units work together as expected. It focuses on testing the interaction between modules, APIs, or services in the system.

Characteristics of Integration Testing

- End-to-End Validation: Verifies workflows across multiple units or subsystems.
- Dependency Management: Includes handling real or mocked external dependencies (e.g., databases, services).
- Realistic Scenarios: Tests real-world use cases, such as fund transfers between accounts.

Advantages of Integration Testing

- 1. Identifies Interface Issues: Catches bugs that arise due to mismatched or poorly integrated components.
- 2. Ensures Cohesion: Validates the proper functioning of interconnected modules.

3. Increases Reliability: Reduces risk in system-wide failures.

TOOLS USED

PIT (Pitest):

PIT is a mutation testing tool for Java that evaluates the effectiveness of test cases by introducing small changes (mutations) in the code. It tests whether existing test cases can detect and fail on these mutations. If a mutation is detected by a test (killed), it signifies strong test coverage. If it survives, it indicates areas of weak testing. PIT integrates seamlessly with build tools like Maven and Gradle and supports frameworks

like JUnit and TestNG, making it highly efficient for Java projects.

MUTPY:

MUTPY is a mutation testing tool designed for Python projects. It mutates Python source code by altering operators, conditions, or functions and runs the test suite to verify its robustness. Similar to PIT, it categorizes mutations as killed or survived based on test performance. MUTPY works with popular Python

testing frameworks like unittest and pytest, enabling developers to assess and improve test quality.

Comparison:

Both tools serve the same purpose of enhancing test quality but are designed for different languages. While PIT is highly optimized for Java projects and integrates with build tools, MUTPY provides similar capabilities for Python with standalone execution.

1. BANKING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JAVA)

Lines of code

Main.java: 83

Bank.java: 40

BankAccount.java: 68

Transaction.java: 36

BankingSystemTest.java: 157

IntegrationTest.java: 92

Total: 476 lines

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Pit Test Coverage Report

Project Summary

Number of Classes		Line Coverage	Mı	utation Coverage	Test Strength		
4	44%	53/120	23%	16/70	53%	16/30	

Breakdown by Package

Name Number	of Classes I	ine Coverage	Mutatio	on Coverage	Test	Strength
org.example 4	44%	53/120	23%	16/70	53%	16/30

Report generated by PIT 1.11.5

Enhanced functionality available at arcmutate.com

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Breakdown by Class

Name	Line Coverage		Mutat	tion Coverage	Test Strength		
Bank.java	94%	17/18	22%	2/9	25%	2/8	
BankAccount.java	96%	27/28	58%	11/19	61%	11/18	
Main.java	0%	0/65	0%	0/38	0%	0/0	
Transaction.java	100%	9/9	75%	3/4	75%	3/4	

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Bank.java

Mutations

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    negated conditional → KILLED

1. removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED

    removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced return value with null for org/example/Bank::getAccount → KILLED

    negated conditional → SURVIVED

    removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED
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Active mutators

- CONDITIONALS_BOUNDARY
- EMPTY_RETURNSFALSE RETURNS
- INCREMENTS
- INVERT NEGS
- MATH
- NEGATE_CONDITIONALS
- NULL_RETURNS
- PRIMITIVE RETURNS
- TRUE_RETURNS VOID_METHOD_CALLS

Tests examined

- BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testAddAccount()] (0 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testRemoveAndCheckAccount()] (1 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testRemoveAndCheckAccount()] (1 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testWithdrawValidAmount()] (0 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testDepositNegativeAmount()] (1 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testDepositValidAmount()] (0 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testRemoveAccount()] (0 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testWithdrawMoreThanBalance()] (0 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[method:testPrintAllAccounts()] (3 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testPrintAllAccounts()] (0 ms)
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 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testWithdrawNegativeAmount()] (1 ms)
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 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testAddingMultipleAccounts()] (2 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testRemoveAccountExisting()] (1 ms)
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- Transaction.java

Mutations

- 17 1. replaced return value with "" for org/example/Transaction::getType → KILLED
- replaced double return with 0.0d for org/example/Transaction::getAmount → KILLED
- replaced return value with null for org/example/Transaction::getTimestamp → KILLED
- replaced return value with "" for org/example/Transaction::toString → SURVIVED

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- VOID METHOD CALLS

Tests examined

- BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:MainApplicationTests]/[method:testPrintingAccountDetails()] (20 ms)
- BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:TransactionTests]/[method:testTransactionCreation()] (2 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testTransactionHistory()] (0 ms)
- IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testPrintTransactions()] (1 ms)

BankAccount.java

Mutations

- 22 1. replaced return value with "" for org/example/BankAccount::getAccountNumber → KILLED
- replaced return value with "" for org/example/BankAccount::getAccountHolderName → KILLED
- replaced double return with 0.0d for org/example/BankAccount::getBalance → KILLED
- 1. replaced return value with "" for org/example/BankAccount::getAccountType \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE
- <u>38</u>
- negated conditional → KILLED
 changed conditional boundary → SURVIVED
- 1. Replaced double addition with subtraction → KILLED
- <u>42</u> removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED
- changed conditional boundary → SURVIVED
 changed conditional boundary → SURVIVED
 negated conditional → KILLED
 negated conditional → KILLED
- 47
- 1. Replaced double subtraction with addition → KILLED 48
- replaced boolean return with false for org/example/BankAccount::withdraw → KILLED <u>50</u>
- removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED
- 1. replaced boolean return with true for org/example/BankAccount::withdraw → KILLED
- <u>58</u> removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED
- removed call to java/io/PrintStream::println → SURVIVED
- replaced return value with Collections.emptyList for org/example/BankAccount::getTransactions → KILLED

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 VOID METHOD CALLS

Tests examined

- BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testAddAccount()] (1 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testAddAccount()] (0 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:MainApplicationTests]/[method:testRemoveAndCheckAccount()] (16 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testDeposit()] (0 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testWithdrawValidAmount()] (0 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testDepositNegativeAmount()] (1 ms)
 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testDepositValidAmount()] (0 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testRemoveAccount()] (0 ms)
 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testPrintAllAccount()] (3 ms)
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- IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[method:testPrintAllAccounts()] (3 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testPrintingAccountDetails()] (20 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testWithdrawNegativeAmount()] (1 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testPrintAllAccounts()] (0 ms)

 IntegrationTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:IntegrationTest]/[method:testAddAccount()] (1 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:MainApplicationTests]/[method:testAddingMultipleAccounts()] (2 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testTransactionCreation()] (2 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankTests]/[method:testRemoveAccountExisting()] (1 ms)

 BankingSystemTest.[engine:junit-jupiter]/[class:BankingSystemTest]/[nested-class:BankAccountTests]/[method:testTransactionHistory()] (0 ms)

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2. Gaussian Elimination Method (Python)

Lines of Code

gaussian_elimination.py: 73

test gaussian elimination.py: 56

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3. Jacobi Iteration Method (Python)

Lines of Code

jacobi_iteration.py: 205

test jacobi iteration.py: 68

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4. LU Decomposition (Python)

Lines of Code

lu_decomposition.py: 112

test_lu_decomposition.py: 59

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- targets: lu decomposition.py
- tests: test lu decomposition.py
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