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* Software bugs occurs when one of following occurs:

- ① Software does something that project spec said it shouldn't do.
- ② // doesn't do // // // // // should do.
- ③ Software does something that product specification doesn't mention
- ④ Software doesn't do something that product specification doesn't mention but should.
- ⑤ The software is difficult to understand, hard to use.

* The main reason of Bugs occur is the Specifications

* The goal of software tester is to find bugs & report them as early as possible.

* A Software quality assurance person's main responsibility is to create & enforce standards & methods to improve the development process & prevent bugs from occurring.

* Why would a bug not being fixed?

- 1- There isn't enough time
- 2- It's not really a bug, it's Feature
- 3- It's too risky to fix.
- 4- It's just not worth it.

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* Types of Bug Report :

① Minimal

② Singular

③ Reproducible

④ obvious & general \Rightarrow Extra

① Minimal :-

- It explains just the facts & necessary details to describe a bug.
- Give an exact sequence of steps that shows the problem.

[2] Singular:-

- There should be only 1 bug per report

[3] Reproducible:-

- To be taken seriously, the bug report must show the bug to be reproducible - Following a set of steps will cause software to achieve the same state & the bug occurs again.

• Not all bugs are equal.

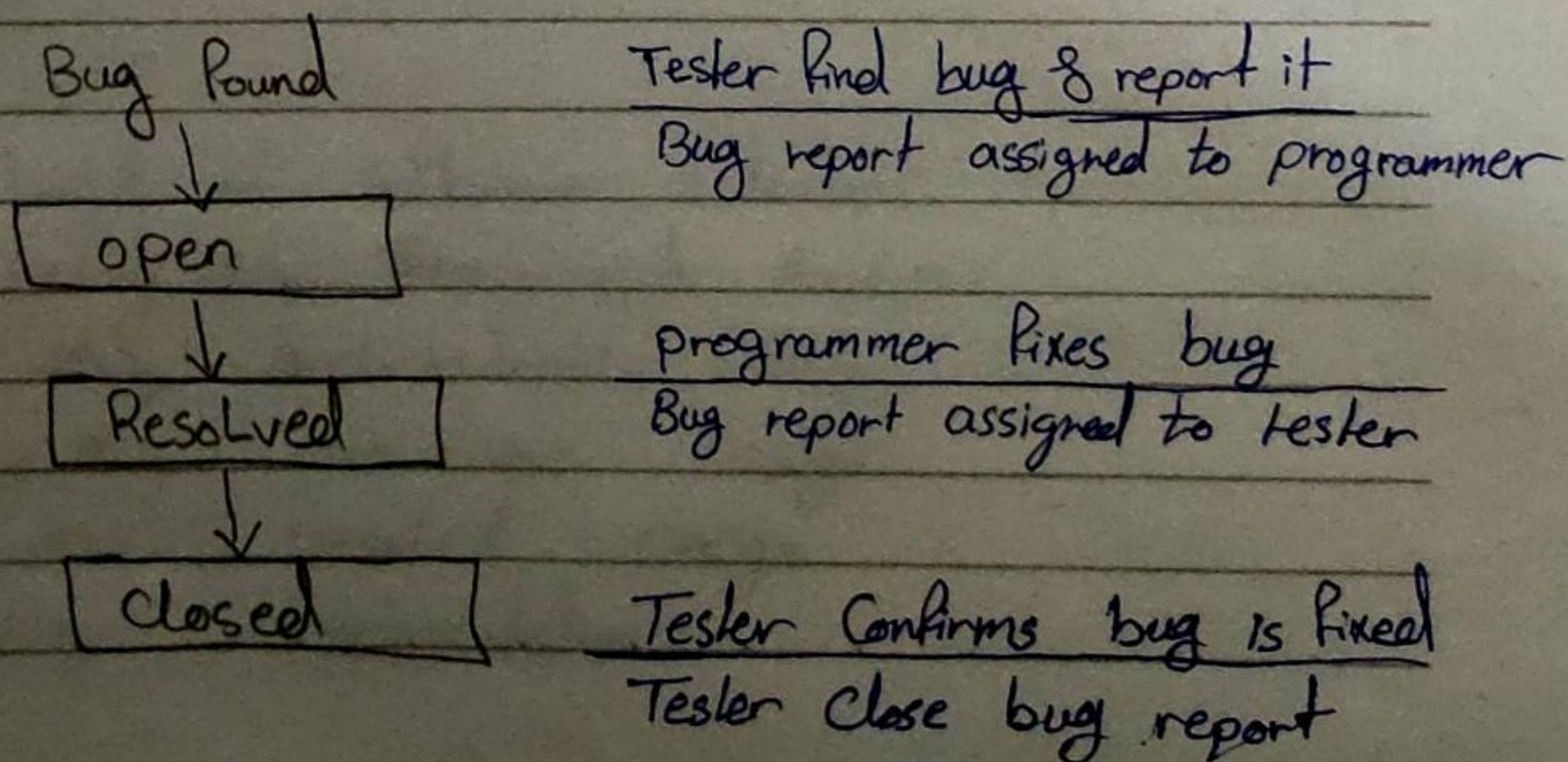
• Bugs are classified by : ① severity
② priority

[1] Severity : Indicates how bad the bug is

It might be classified to following: 1- System crash, data loss or corrupt.
2- operational error, wrong result
rare occurrence, misspelling ← 3- Minor problem, UI Layout
4- Suggestion

[2] priority : Indicates how important it is to fix a bug and when it should be fixed.

It might be classified to: 1- Immediate fix
2- Must be fixed before released
3- Should fix if time permits
4- Would like be fixed

* Bug Life Cycle

* **Error**: is a mistake, misunderstanding on the part of software developer.

• Types of testing

* **Faults (Defects)**: is introduced to software as a result of error,

• Testing tool

• V-model

• Test plan

* **Failures**: it's the inability of a software system or component to perform its required functions within specification required.

• Types of testing:-

1] **Static**

analysis of the static system representation to discover problems.

2] **Dynamic**

Exercising and observing the software behaviour

refers

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• **Static testing (before compile time)**:

- Static analysis
- Review
- walk through
- Code inspection

• **Dynamic testing (Run time)**:

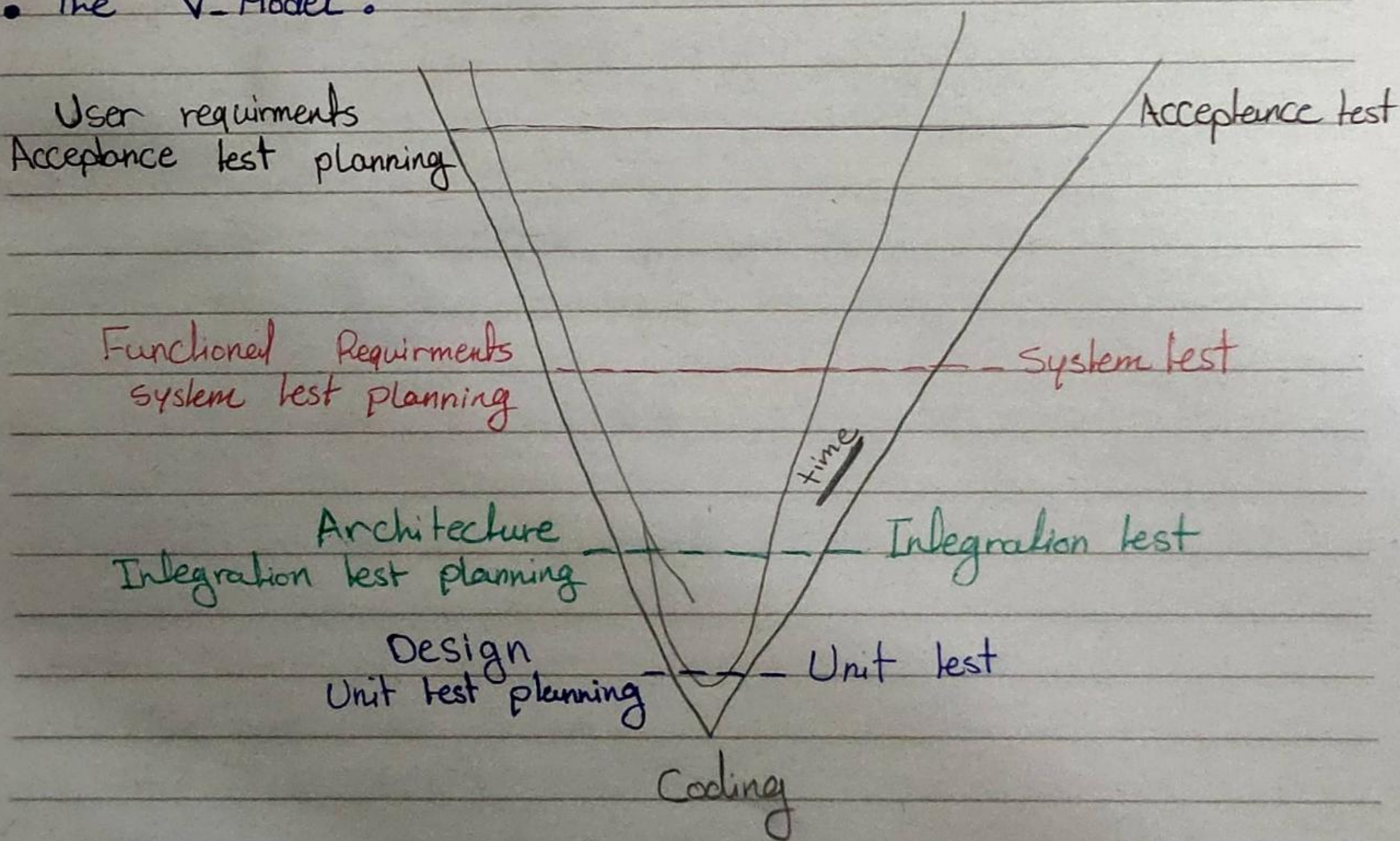
- Black-box testing
- white-box testing
- Testing scope

• **Testing Levels based on software activity**:

- Acceptance testing \Rightarrow Requirements Analysis
- System testing \Rightarrow Architectural Design
- Integration testing \Rightarrow Sub-system Design
- Module testing \Rightarrow Detailed Design
- Unit testing \Rightarrow Implementation

- Acceptance testing: is the software acceptable to users?
- System testing: test the overall functionality of the system.
- Integration testing: test how modules interact with each other.
- Module (Developer) testing: test each class, file module.
- Unit (Developer) testing: test each method individually.

• The V-Model:



• Test plans:

- a plan is a document that provides a framework or approach for achieving a set of goals.
- 1- overall test objectives
 - 2- what to test (scope)
 - 3- who will test
 - 4- how to test
 - 5- when to test
 - 6- when to stop

1] over all test obj → Introduction
→ Risks & Contingencies

2] Scope of test → Items to be tested (eg. classes, Libraries)
→ Features to be tested (eg. Functional requirements)
→ Features not to be tested

3] Who will test → Responsibilities
→ Staffing and training needs

4] How to test → Approach
→ Test deliverables
→ Know : tools, strategies, techniques

5] When to test → Schedule

6] When to stop → Approach

extra things in plan:

- Item pass / Fail Criteria
- Test plan identifier
- Suspension / resumption Criteria
- testing environment → needed software & hardware
- testing Cost
- testing tasks

- Software Fault (bug) → a static defect in software (incorrect line of code)
- Software error → an incorrect internal state
- Software Failure → incorrect behavior with respect to the requirements

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- program state is defined during execution of a program as the current value of all living variables & the current location as given by the program counter

- program counter is the next statement in the program to be executed

- Testing: evaluating software by observing its execution Lec 5

- Test Failure: Execution of a test that results in a software failure.

- Debugging: The process of finding a fault given a failure.

* 4 Conditions necessary for Failure to be observed:

1. Reachability: the location that contains the fault must be reached.

2. Infection: the state of the program must be incorrect.

3. Propagation: the infection state must cause some output or the final state of the program to be incorrect.

4. Reveal: the tester must observe part of the incorrect portion of the program state.

* Can be called RIP-R Model

- How to deal with bugs & errors & Failures?

- Avoidance → Better Design

- Detection → Testing & debugging

- Tolerance → Redundancy

- Test Case: is a test-related item which contains:
 - 1. set of test input
 - 2. Execution condition
 - 3. Expected output

- Test Suite: is a group of related test case.

- Test oracle: a program, document that produces or specifies the expected outcome of a test

- Verification vs Validation:
 - Verifying that the product has been developed right.
 - Verifying that the right product has been developed.
- Verification is the process confirming that the software meets its specification.
- Validation is the process confirming that the software meets the user's requirements.
- A programmer should avoid attempting to test his own program.
- The probability of existence of more errors is proportional to the number of errors already found.
- Test must be repeatable and reusable.
- Don't plan a test effort under the assumption that no errors will be found.
- old view of testing was depending on phases
 - Unit, module, integration, system
- New view is in term of structure & criteria
 - Input space, graph, logical expressions, syntax
- Test design is largely the same at each phase
 - Creating model is different.

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• The tester Job is simple : Choose the model then Find away to Cover it.

* Test Requirements: a specific element of a software artifact that a test case must satisfy or cover.

* Coverage Criterion: a collection of rules that impose test requirements on a test set.

* Structure (4 ways of models)

1. Input Domain characterization (Input space)

2. Graph

3. Logical expression

4. Syntactic structures (grammars)

* Coverage Lvl: the ratio of the no. of test requirements satisfied by t to the size of T .

* Criteria subsumption \Rightarrow a test Criterion $C1$ subsumes $C2$ if and only if every set of test cases that satisfies Criterion $C1$ also satisfies $C2$

* Monkey testing is bad

- \rightarrow human sits at Keyboard & bungs it
- \rightarrow No automation
- \rightarrow Minimal training required

* Some Companies are using both automation & Criteria-based testing which leads to

- \rightarrow Save money
- \rightarrow Find more Faults
- \rightarrow Build better Software