Unit testing with pytest

INTRODUCTION TO TESTING IN PYTHON

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What is a unit test

Unit - the smallest working part that can be tested.

- Examples of units: functions, methods, classes, modules, etc.

Unit testing - software testing method.

- Unit testing allows one to scrutinize the correctness of a unit.

Test case - a set of unit inputs and expected outputs.

- Test case summarizes a particular piece of the problem.

Why to use unit tests

Unit tests - are a foundation for testing "the bigger picture" of the software.

Use cases:

- When bugs found

- During development

- After implemented changes

How to create a unit test

Step-by-step:

1. **Decide which units to test**

2. **Define test cases** (the creative part):
   - "What are the possible unit outcomes?"
   - "How can one use the unit?"
   - "How should the unit behave in all those cases?"

3. **Write code for each test case**

4. **Run the tests** and analyze the results

Creating a unit test: example

Unit to test:

```python
# Function for a sum of elements
def sum_of_arr(array:list) -> int:
    return sum(array)
```

Test cases:

1. Input is a list of numbers (as expected) - should return the `sum`

2. Input is an empty list - should return `0`

3. Input is a list containing one `number` - should return the `number`

Creating a unit test: code

```python
# Test Case 1: regular array
def test_regular():
    assert sum_of_arr([1, 2, 3]) == 6
    assert sum_of_arr([100, 150]) == 250
```

```python
# Test Case 2: empty list
def test_empty():
    assert sum_of_arr([]) == 0
```

```python
# Test Case 3: one number
def test_one_number():
    assert sum_of_arr([10]) == 10
    assert sum_of_arr([0]) == 0
```

Summary

Unit test - a test that verifies that a unit works as expected.

Test case - inputs and outputs summarizing a particular piece of the problem.

Use cases:

- When bugs found

- During development

- After implemented changes

Defining test cases - involves creativity.

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Feature testing with pytest

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What is a feature test

Feature

- a software system functionality.

- satisfies a particular user's requirement.

Features

- are wider that **units**.

- End-user can use features.

Feature testing

- software testing method.

- verify the behavior of a specific feature.

- **Examples:**
  - Data distribution check
  - Report preparation

Units vs. features: personal computer

Units:

- Each individual button

- Pixels on the screen

- LED diods

- Blocks on the disk

Features:

- Keyboard

- Screen

- Illumination

- File system

Why do we use feature tests

Feature testing helps:

- To test things at the scope of the user interaction with a system.

The scope is wider than units:

- One unit does not work - does not mean the feature is NOT OK.

Vice versa:

- All units work as expected - does not mean the feature is OK.

Feature test example: setup

Setup and defining the feature code:

```python
# Setup
import pandas as pd
import pytest


df = pd.read_csv('laptops.csv')


# Filter feature
def filter_data_by_manuf(df, manufacturer_name):
    filtered_df = df\
        [df["Manufacturer"] == manufacturer_name]
    return filtered_df
```

Feature test example: testing

Testing code:

```python
# Feature test function
def test_unique():
    manuf_name = 'Apple'
    filtered = filter_data_by_manuf(df, manuf_name)
    assert filtered\
        ['Manufacturer'].nunique() == 1
    assert filtered\
        ['Manufacturer'].unique() == [manuf_name]
```

Summary

Feature testing - software testing method, allows to verify the behavior of a specific feature.

Features are wider that **units:**

- If a button is a unit, then the keyboard is a feature.

Feature testing helps to ensure that users get exactly what they expect.

To create feature tests one has to create test cases.

The key to design feature tests - to understand what the features are in a specific system.

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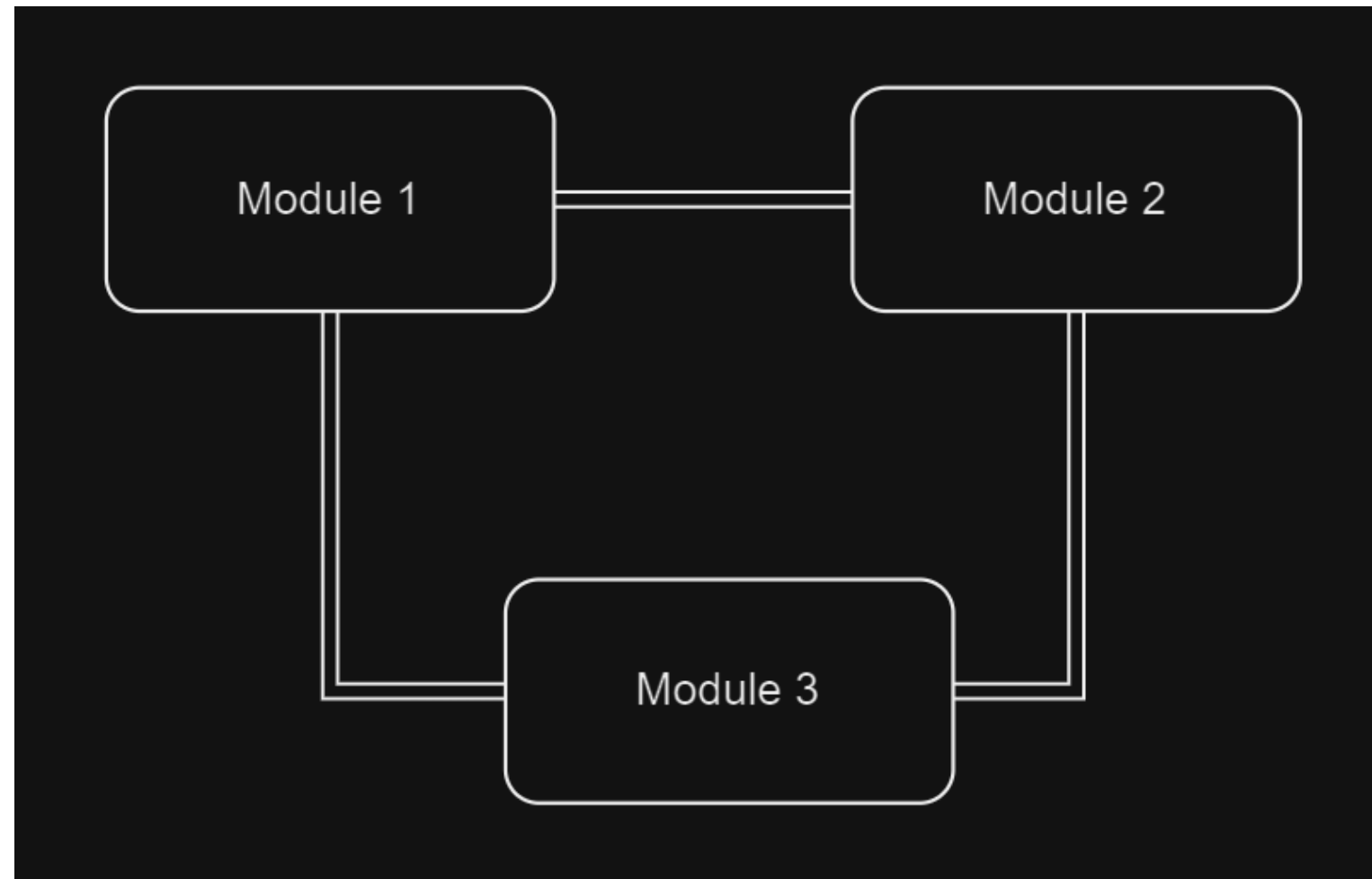
Integration testing with pytest

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What is integration testing?

- **Integration testing** - software testing method, that allows to verify that an interaction behaves normally.

- **Integration** - an interaction between 2 or more modules inside of a system.

Integrations in real-life projects

Examples:

- Power cable

- Internet connection

- File reading driver

- Database connection

- Application Programming Interface (API) integration

What can go wrong

Potential integration problems:

- Lost connection

- Loss of data

- Interaction delays

- Low bandwidth

- Version conflicts

- Interface mismatch

- Others

Example of integration testing

```python
import pytest, os

@pytest.fixture
def setup_file():
    # Create temporary file
    file = "test_file.txt"
    with open(file, "w") as f1:
        f1.write("Test data 1")
    yield file
    os.remove(file)


def test_fs(setup_file):
    file = setup_file
    # Check that the file was created successfully
    assert os.path.exists(file)
```

Summary

- **Integration testing** - software testing method; allows to verify that an integration works as expected.

- **Real-life projects** include a lot of different integrations in them.

- Integration testing **helps to prevent** lots of potential problems.

- **Example**: checking integration between Python and a file system.

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Performance testing with pytest

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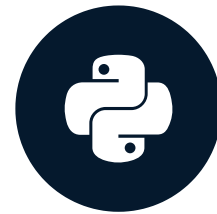
What is performance testing

Performance - how efficiently does software utilizes the resources of the system to accomplish a task.

Performance Testing - is a type of testing that measures software performance.

When performance testing is important

Resources:

- Execution Time

- CPU

- RAM

- Other resources

Cases:

- Website speed optimization

- App receiving millions of requests

- Path planning for a robot vacuum

Benchmark fixture

Installation:

```
pip install pytest-benchmark
```

```python
# Example_1.py
import time
def test_func(benchmark):
    benchmark(time.sleep, 1)
```

CLI Command:

```
pytest Example_1.py
```

Benchmarking results

The results we get after we execute the CLI Command:

```
--------------------------------------- benchmark: 1 tests ---------------------------------------
Name (time in s)          Min       Max      Mean   StdDev   Median       IQR   Outliers     OPS   Rounds   Iterations
--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------
test_func             1.0003    1.0151    1.0088   0.0067   1.0125    0.0115        1;0   0.9913        5            1
--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------
```

For `time.sleep(3)` instead of `time.sleep(1)`:

```
--------------------------------------- benchmark: 1 tests ---------------------------------------
Name (time in s)          Min       Max      Mean   StdDev   Median       IQR   Outliers     OPS   Rounds   Iterations
--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------
test_func             3.0005    3.0041    3.0026   0.0017   3.0036    0.0029        1;0   0.3330        5            1
--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------
```

Benchmark decorator

```python
# Example_2.py
import time
def test_func(benchmark):
    @benchmark
    def sleep_for_1_sec():
        time.sleep(1)
```

CLI Command:

```
pytest Example_2.py
```

Summary

- Performance testing - a type of testing that measures the software performance.

- Resources are usually finite.

- Helpful when resources are constrained.

- We can use `pytest-benchmark` fixture by:
    - calling `benchmark` directly
    - using `@benchmark` as a decorator

- The results describe the sample of measured runs in seconds.

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