

# Lecture outline

- Unit testing
- What I did in industry

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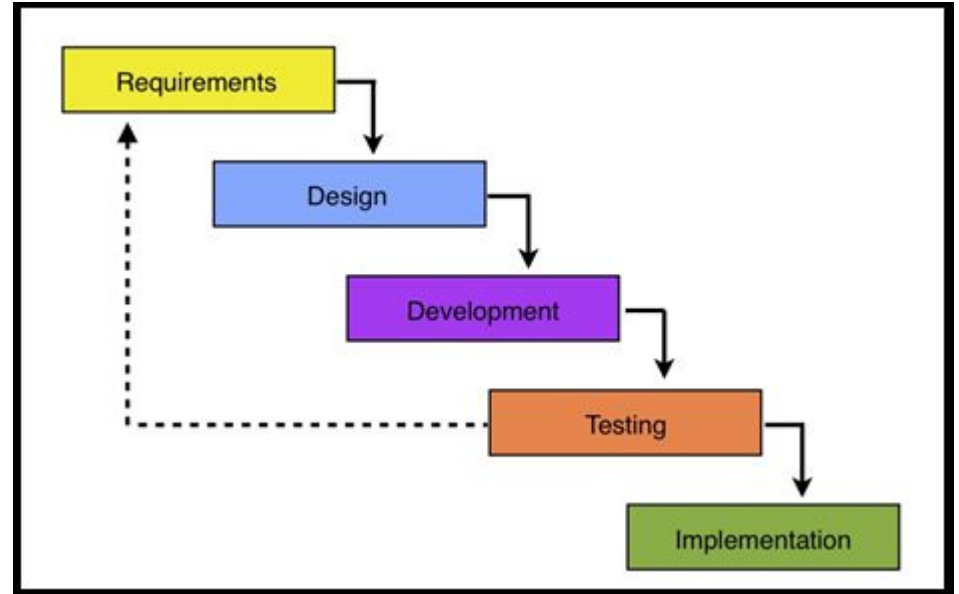
Pretty much everything!!

How can we ensure  
things *probably* won't  
go wrong?

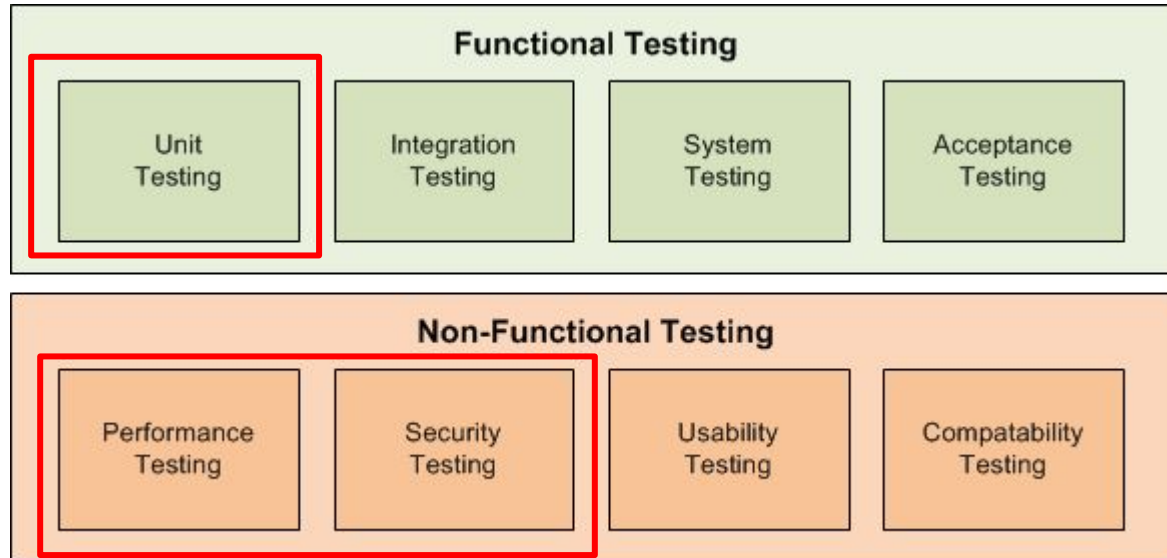
# Testing!

- Unit tests
- Integration tests
- Whole-system tests
- Performance tests
- Regression tests

Portions of this lesson are taken from  
<http://katyhuff.github.io/python-testing/>



For crypto libraries...



# What is a unit test?

Verify behavior of smallest possible piece

Implementation and interfaces

Document behavior on correct and incorrect inputs

Three basic parts:

1. setup
2. assertion(s)
3. teardown

Interface

```
#Encrypts data
def encrypt(self, data):
    ...

#Decrypts data
def decrypt(self, ciphertext):
    ...
```

```
def setup(self):
    key = base64.urlsafe_b64encode('1234567890abcdef')
    self._lpc6 = LengthPreservingCipher(key, 6)
```

```
def test_basic(self):
    self.setup()
    txt = b'abcdef'
    ctx = self._lpc6.encrypt(txt)
    ttxt = self._lpc6.decrypt(ctx)
    assert ttxt == txt
```

```
def test_random_msg(self):
    self.setup()
    for i in xrange(101):
        txt = os.urandom(6)
        ctx = self._lpc6.encrypt(txt)
        ttxt = self._lpc6.decrypt(ctx)
        assert txt == ttxt,
            "Input and out messages do not match."
```

```
def test_wrong_length_encrypt(self):
    self.setup()
    with pytest.raises(AssertionError) as e:
        self._lpc6.encrypt('a')
    with pytest.raises(AssertionError) as e:
        self._lpc6.encrypt('a'*10)
```

```
def test_wrong_length_decrypt(self):
    self.setup()
    msg = 'a'
    with pytest.raises(AssertionError) as e:
        self._lpc6.decrypt('a')
    with pytest.raises(AssertionError) as e:
        self._lpc6.decrypt('a'*10)
```

```
def test_length_of_cipher(self):
    self.setup()
    txt = b'abcdef'
    ctx = self._lpc6.encrypt(txt)
    assert len(ctx) == len(txt)
```

# How to write unit tests?

Decompose code into atomic units of functionality

Verify input/output behavior for each piece

**Check edge cases!**

Recombine pieces, check whole parts

100% code coverage is necessary but not usually sufficient



# Code comments

Document assumptions about inputs

What happens if assumptions are violated?

Think about your future self

```
#Encrypts data
def encrypt(self, data):
    ...

#Decrypts data
def decrypt(self, ciphertext):
    ...
```

vs.

```
#takes a six-byte plaintext,
#returns a six-byte ciphertext
def encrypt(self, data):
    ...

#takes a six-byte ciphertext,
#returns a six-byte plaintext
def decrypt(self, ciphertext):
    ...
```

# Practice problem

```
def xor(a,b):
    """
    xors two raw byte streams.
    """
    assert len(a) == len(b), "Lengths of two strings are not same. a = \"%{b = \"%{\\n}{\\n}\".format(len(a), len(b), a , b)
    return ".join(chr(ord(ai)^ord(bi)) for ai,bi in zip(a,b))
```

```
class Insecure:
    def __init__(self, backend=None):
        if backend is None:
            self._backend = default_backend()
        else:
            self._backend = backend
        self.block_size_bytes = hashes.SHA256().block_size

        self.opad = chr(0x5c)*self.block_size_bytes
        self.ipad = chr(0x36)*self.block_size_bytes

    def make_key(self, k):
        if len(k) <= self.block_size_bytes:
            return k + chr(0x00)*(self.block_size_bytes - len(k))
        else:
            digest = hashes.Hash(hashes.SHA256(),
            backend=default_backend())
            digest.update(k)
            retval = digest.finalize()
            return retval + chr(0x00)*(self.block_size_bytes - len(retval))
```

```
def func(self, k, m):
    digest = hashes.Hash(hashes.SHA256(), backend=self._backend)
    padded_key = self.make_key(k)
    i_key_pad = xor(padded_key,self.ipad)
    o_key_pad = xor(padded_key,self.opad)
    digest.update(i_key_pad + m)
    intermediate = digest.finalize()
    second_digest = hashes.Hash(hashes.SHA256(), backend=self._backend)
    second_digest.update(o_key_pad + intermediate)
    output = second_digest.finalize()
    return output
```

```
def func2(self, k, m, t):
    digest = hashes.Hash(hashes.SHA256(), backend=self._backend)
    padded_key = self.make_key(k)
    i_key_pad = xor(padded_key,self.ipad)
    o_key_pad = xor(padded_key,self.opad)
    digest.update(i_key_pad + m)
    intermediate = digest.finalize()
    second_digest = hashes.Hash(hashes.SHA256(), backend=self._backend)
    second_digest.update(o_key_pad + intermediate)
    output = second_digest.finalize()
    if not len(t) == len(output):
        return False
    for b in xrange(len(output)):
        if not output[b] == t[b]:
            return False
    return True
```

# Interoperability testing

Implementations of crypto have to be interoperable, especially if you're implementing a cross-platform specification (like in hw4!)

How do we do this?

- Cross-impl correctness
- Known-answer tests

# Certifications

NIST Cryptographic algorithm verification program (CAVP)

-Standardized known-answer tests for USG standards

<b>Skyhigh Networks</b> 1601 S. De Anza Blvd. Ste. 248 Cupertino, CA 95014 USA  <a href="#">-Kaushik Narayan</a> TEL: 408 564-0278	<b>Skyhigh Secure Gateway</b>  Version 1	Intel Core i7 w/ Mac OS X-10.9 with JVM 1.7.0.45	10/31/2014	<b>CBC</b> ( e/d; 128 , 256 ); <b>CTR</b> ( ext only; 128 , 256 ) "Cloud Encryption Gateway"  <i>11/06/14: Updated implementation information;</i>
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# Certifications

Federal information processing standard (FIPS) 140-2

- The worst thing in the world, incredibly outdated and harmful for security
- critical vulnerabilities *cannot be fixed* without invalidating FIPS certification
- To call it a garbage fire is actually an insult to honest garbage fires, which get rid of trash and generate heat

# Preview of other testing methods

- Randomness “tests”
  - Can we develop an algorithm that, given some input string, will determine whether or not it is random?
- Fuzzers
- Formal verification
- Project Wycheproof
  - <https://github.com/google/wycheproof>
- Check for non-constant-time behavior
- (A subsequent lecture may discuss these in more detail)

Questions? Comments?