

Catching THE Bugs You're Missing

Catching SOME OF THE Bugs You're Missing

Before
We Start

```
function(x) {  
    return x + 1  
}
```

```
(x) => {  
    return (x + 1)  
}
```

$$(x) \Rightarrow (x + 1)$$

Kinds of Testing



Example-Based Testing



```
assert.equal(1 + 2, 3)
```

$$1 + 2 === 3$$

$$1 + 2 = 3$$

$$1 + 2 === 3$$

`add(1, 2) === 3`

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Property-Based Testing

Given two inputs:
number, number
(any two numbers)

`add(x,y) === add(y,x)`


```
jsv.property(  
  "has swappable args",  
  number, number,  
  (x,y) => (  
    add(x,y) === add(y,x)  
  )  
)
```

Given one input:
number (any number)

$$\text{add}(x, 0) === x$$

```
jsv.property(  
  "has a do-nothing value",  
  number,  
  (x) => (  
    add(x, 0) === x  
  )  
)
```

Given one input:
number (any number)

$$\text{add}(x, x) === x * 2$$

```
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  "matches multiplication",  
  number,  
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  )  
)
```

$$\text{add}(x, y) == \text{add}(y, x)$$

$$\text{add}(x, 0) == x$$

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One More Example

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Property-Based Testing in Three Steps

1) *Stating a rule, eg.*

`add(x, 0) === x`

2) Generating data fitting a specific shape, eg.

```
number, (x) => (  
    // ...  
)
```


3) Testing the rule holds with that generated data, eg.

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 add(x, 0) === x
)

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number, (1) => (
 add(1, 0) === 1
)

**3) Testing the rule holds with
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number, (92) => (
 add(92,0) === 92
)

**3) Testing the rule holds with
that generated data, eg.**

number, (-5) => (
 add(-5, 0) === -5
)

Why?

Finding Edge-Cases

Honest TDD

No fudging the code to
pass an anaemic test.

Why Not?

Coming up with
Properties can be
hard.

Kinds of Properties You Can Write

Reversible

$$n + 1 - 1 === n$$

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`x.split(" ").join(" ") === x`

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)
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)`

`_._eq(
 xFromJson(xToJson(x)), x
)`

Repeatable

```
_ .eq(  
    sort(sort(list)),  
    sort(list)  
)
```

Invariants

```
sort(list).length  
    === list.length
```


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```
sort(list).length  
    == list.length
```

```
_._all(  
    sort(list),  
    (x) => (  
        _._contains(list, x)  
    )  
)
```

Prove a Small Part

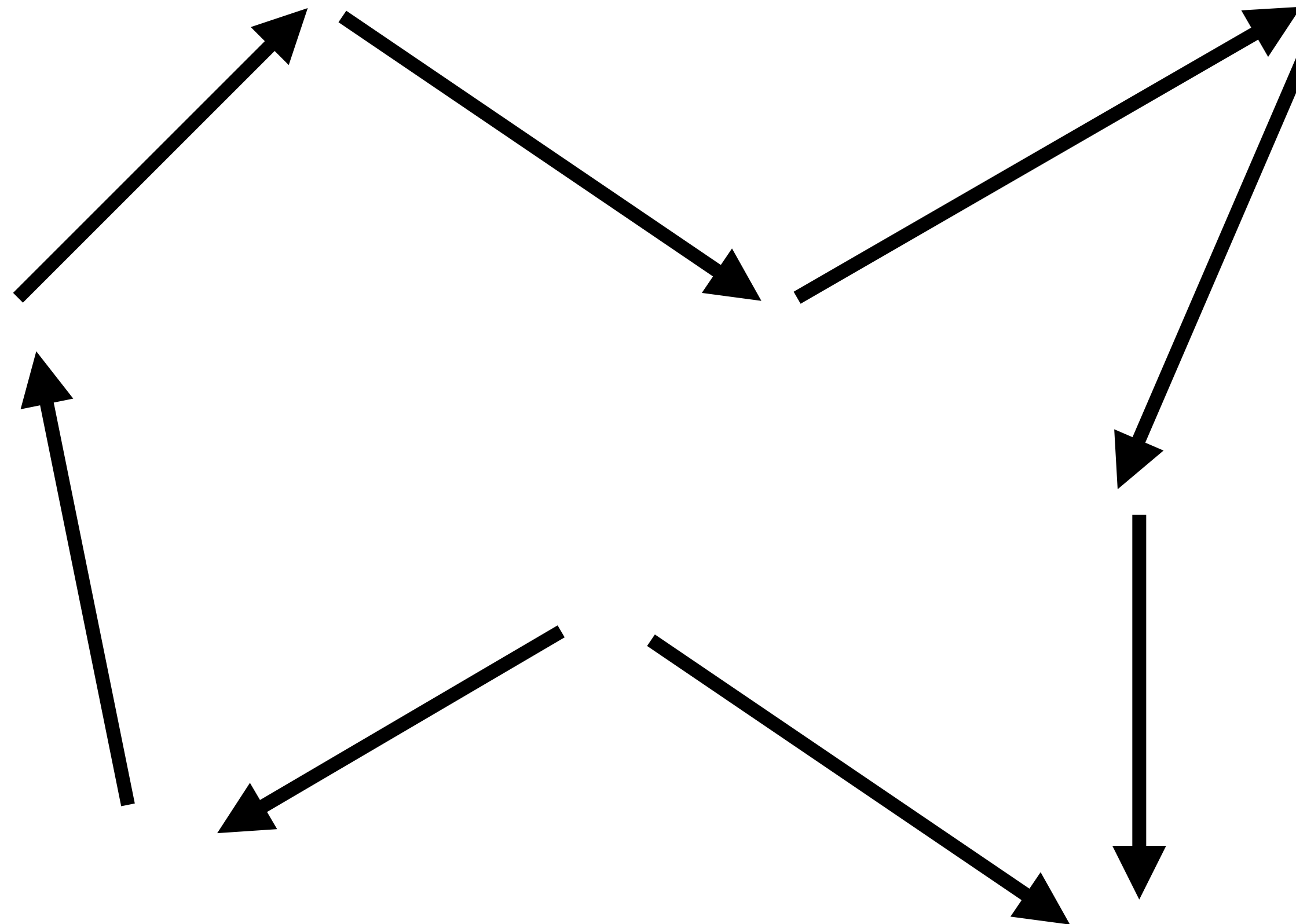
```
let sorted = sort(list)
_.all(
  toPairs(sorted),
  function(pair) {
    return (pair[0] <=
pair[1])
  }
)
```

```
// toPairs([1,2,3])
// => [[1,2], [2,3]]
```

Swap the Ordering

```
_ .eq(  
  sort(list).map(x => x + 1),  
  sort(list.map(x => x + 1))  
)
```

Hard to Solve, Easy to Check



Consult an Oracle

```
_.eq(  
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  ultraCoolSort(list)  
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```
newCode(input)  
    ===  
oldCode(input)
```

A Regular Test with a Hole

```
property(..., user, (u) => (  
  createTestUser(u)  
    .then((u) => (  
      page.login(u)  
    ))  
    .then((r) => {  
      assertLocation(r, '/account')  
      return page.logout()  
    }).then((r) => {  
      assertStatus(r, 302)  
      assertLocation(r, '/')  
    })  
  ))
```

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$$\text{add}(x, 0) === x$$

/ Operation w/ Identity */*

$$\text{add}(x, y) === \text{add}(y, x)$$

/ Commutative */*

$$\text{add}(\text{add}(x, y), z)$$

$===$

$$\text{add}(x, \text{add}(y, z))$$

/ Associative */*

Generating Data

Data Generation



Existing Generators

jsv

...number

...string

...boolean

...json

...array(...)

...nearray(...) // non-empty

...dict(...) // object

...

Utilities

jsv

...oneof([number, string, ...])

...constant(undefined)

...constant(6) // or whatever

...recursive(...)

// ^-- used to make .json

...

BYO

```
var whatever = jsc.bless({  
  generator: function () {  
    switch (jsc.random(0, 2)) {  
      case 0: return "foo";  
      case 1: return "bar";  
      case 2: return "quux";  
    }  
  }  
});
```


Examples
Doing
Real Things

Oracle Check

```
prop_ifBool v = compareHelpers  
  [("val", Handlebars.Bool v)]  
  "{{~#if val~}}  
    True  
  {{~else~}}  
    False  
  {{~/if~}}"  
(if v then "True" else "False")
```

Reversible Checks

```
prop_roundTripDayOfWeek :: DayOfWeek -> Property
prop_roundTripDayOfWeek d =
    (dayOfWeekFromInt . dayOfWeekToInt) d == is d
```

```
prop_roundTripNextMonth :: Date -> Bool
prop_roundTripNextMonth m =
    (prevMonth . nextMonth) m == m &&
    (nextMonth . prevMonth) m == m
```

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```

Invariant

```
prop_withinRange =  
  forAll boundedInt $ \seed ->  
    forAll boundedInt $ \lo ->  
      forAll boundedInt $ \hi ->  
        let  
          gen = Random (nextInt lo hi)  
          num = fst (runRandom (Seed seed) gen)  
        in  
          property $ num >= low && num <= high
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With
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Round-Tripping

```
it "can round-trip timestamps" do
  property_of {
    (Time.current - float.abs)
  }.check { |time|
    user = create(User, login_at: time)
    expect(
      User.find(user.id).login_at
    ).to eq(time)
  }
end
```

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Failure/Error:

```
expect(User.find(user.id).login_at)
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```
property_of { char, integer }.check { lchar, size |  
  file = File.join(tmpdir, "testfile-#{size}.bin")  
  zip  = File.join(tmpdir, "testfile-#{size}.zip")  
  
  data_write = char * size # size-length string, all char.  
  filename   = char * size  
  
  File.open(file, 'wb') { |f| f.write(data_write) }  
  Zip::File.open(zip, CREATE) { |f| f.add(filename, file) }  
  
  data_read = nil  
  Zip::File.open(zip) { |f|  
    data_read = f.first.get_input_stream.read  
  }  
  
  expect(data_write).to == data_read  
}
```

Round-Tripping

Size: **65535** – Gen'd, Written,
Zipped, Unzipped. Written data
equals read data.

Size: **65536** – Gen'd, Written,
Zipped, /Users/rhoward/code/
experiments/p7zip/rubyzip/lib/
zip/inflater.rb:44:in `inflate':
invalid stored block lengths
(Zlib::DataError)

Round-Tripping

```
$ 7z x testfile-65536.zip  
7-Zip [64] ...
```

```
Processing archive: testfile-65536.zip
```

```
Errors: Headers Error
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One Last Thing





Credits

- **fsharpforfunandprofit.com** (Property-based testing posts)
- **github.com/charleso/property-testing-pres0**
(Lambda Jam 2015)
- **jsverify.github.io** (JS)
- **Rantly** (Ruby)
- **QuickCheck** (Haskell)
- **Hypothesis** (Python)
- **Jack** (Haskell, PureScript, F#, hopefully JS after Railscamp...)

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jsverify.github.io

(or QuickCheck, Jack, Rantly, ...)

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