Module 2 Day 8

Integration Testing

What makes an application?

- Program Data
 - ✓ Variables & .NET Data Types
 - ✓ Arrays
 - ✓ More Collections (list, dictionary, stack, queue)
 - ✓ Classes and objects (OOP)
- Program Logic
 - ✓ Statements and expressions
 - ✓ Conditional logic (if)
 - ✓ Repeating logic (for, foreach, do, while)
 - ✓ Methods (functions / procedures)
 - ✓ Classes and objects (OOP)
 - ☐ Frameworks (MVC)

- Input / Output
 - User
 - ✓ Console read / write
 - ☐ HTML / CSS
 - ☐ Front-end frameworks (HTML / CSS / JavaScript)
 - Storage
 - ✓ File I/O
 - Relational database
 - ☐ APIs

DAO, the main points

- All DB access is in DAO, isolating DB code from the rest of the application
- The DAO pattern has us creating an interface, and then implementing it
 - ITableDAO
 - TableSqlDAO
- DAO has a private field for connection string, passed in the constructor
- DAO does object-to-relational mapping
- SQLCommand.ExecuteReader is called to execute a query and retrieve a result set
- Use parameter placeholders in your query for variable data passed in
 - SELECT * FROM city WHERE countryCode = @countryCode;
 - cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@countryCode", countryCode);

DAO, the secondary points

- AppSettings.json stores configuration (connection string)
- DAO's created up front and passed into menus (like a vending machine)
- Nullable columns and nullable C# data types
 - See Country.Capitalld
- @@Identity or Scope_Identity
- ExecuteNonQuery()
 - When there are no results to be returned
 - E.g., Update or Delete
- ExecuteScalar()
 - When exactly one row and one column is expected
 - E.g., "Select Count(*) from table" or "Select @@identity"

Types of Testing

- Unit Testing
 - Verifies parts of an application independently from other parts (isolated)
 - Narrow scope (focused)
 - Tests many cases (deep)
 - Fast!
- Integration Testing
 - Verifies interactions between multiple components
 - Broader scope
 - More difficult to test thoroughly
- End-to-end Testing (E2E)
 - Verifies interaction from end-user through a transaction and back to end-user
 - Broadest scope
 - Most difficult to test all possible combinations of scenarios
 - Slowest to run (for both setup and execution)

DAO Integration Testing

- DAO testing is an example of an Integration Test
 - DAO often relies on outside resources (DBMS), thus integration
- Any type of test should be:
 - Repeatable: If the test passes/fails on first execution, it should pass/fail on second execution if no code has changed.
 - Independent: A test should be able to be run on its own, independent of other tests.
 - Obvious: When a test fails, it should be as obvious as possible why it failed.

Testing DAOs

- Test Select, Insert, Update and Delete to verify the expected change
 - Existence or non-existence of rows
 - RowsAffected meets expectations
- Insert a set of test data so we know our starting state
- Next test should run with clean, known data
- This can be done in a few ways
 - We are going to use Transactions for easy cleanup

