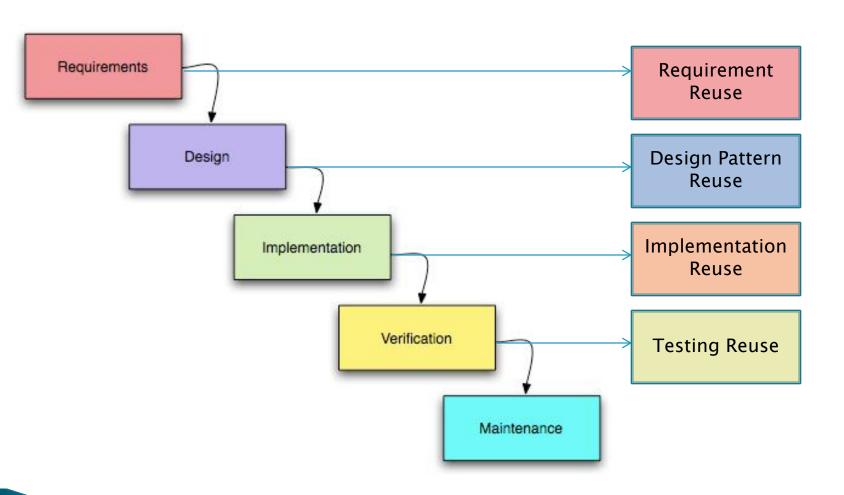


Module 5 Software Testing Reuse (Part 1)

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Where are We?



Part of this figure is from: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Waterfall_model.png

Outline

- Overview of Software Testing
- Reusable testing artifacts
 - Test case reuse
 - Test script reuse
 - Test suits reuse
- Reusable testing benchmarks TPC-C

What is Software Testing?

Software testing is one of activities during SDLC, aimed at evaluating correctness and/or capabilities of a software system to provide some degree of Quality Assurance of the software.

Revised from: http://www.ece.cmu.edu/~koopman/des_s99/sw_testing/

Evolution of Software Testing

- The primary function of software testing is to detect bugs in the software;
- ...also measure the software system capabilities, such as performance and security etc.
- Its role becomes increasing as software systems get big and complicated;

Software Test Engineer Salary



Testing Methods

White-box Testing	Black-Box Testing	Gray-Box Testing
The tester has access to the internal data structures and algorithms including the code	Has no knowledge of internal implementation	Black-Box Testing with some knowledge of internal implementation
API TestingCode coverage testingFault injection testing	Specification-based testing	Integration testing
Used by the developers	Used by the dedicated testing engineers	Used by integration or deployment engineers

Testing Levels - Size/Scope

Unit Testing	(Initial) Integration Testing	System (Integration) Testing
Also known as component testing, refers to tests that verify the functionalities of a specific section of code	Seek to verify the interfaces between components against a software design.	A completely integration test to verify if the system meets its requirements as a whole
At developing time	At initial integration time	At final integration time
By developers	By developers and/or testing engineers	Testing engineers

Testing Levels - Objectives

Regression Testing	Acceptance Testing	Alpha Testing	Beta Testing
Continuous tests to focus on finding defects	Also called 'smoke' testing - check basic functionality	Simulated or actual operational testing	considered a form of external User acceptance testing
After a major code reversion	After internal integration testing	At late stage	After Alpha testing and before formal release
Testing Engineers	With customers	potential users/customers	potential users/customers

Non-Functional Testing

- Performance testing
- Security Testing
- Usability testing
- Internationalization and localization
- Destructive testing, also called robustness testing

Typical Testing Process

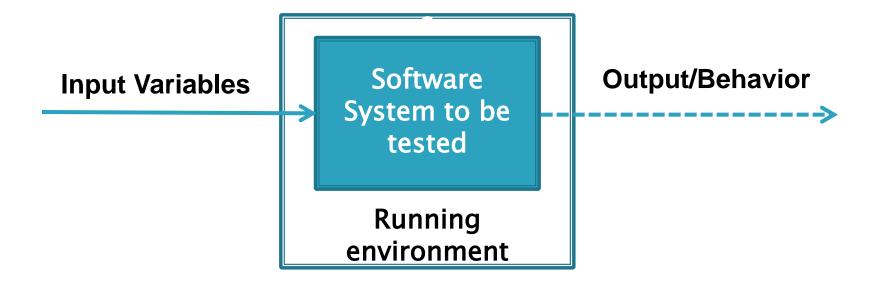
- Test planning/preparation:
 - Test strategy, testbed & resources, including Hardware, Software, HR, etc.
- Test development: Test procedures, test scenarios, test cases, test datasets, test scripts
- Test execution: Testers execute the software based on the plans and test documents
- Test reporting:
 - Report errors and/or performance found during testing to the development team

Testing Artifacts for Reuse

- Test cases
- Test scripts
- Test suites (benchmark)
- Test harness
 - a collection of software, tools, samples of data input and output, and configurations

Test Cases

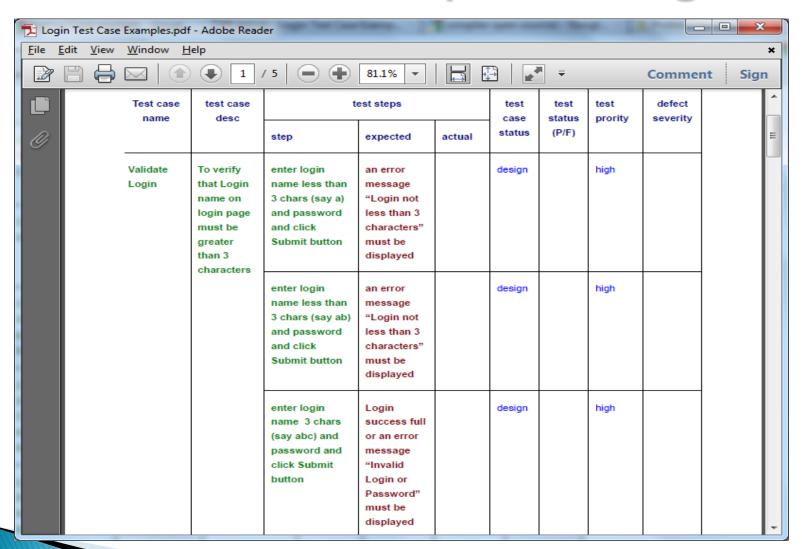
A set of *conditions or variables* under which a tester will *determine* whether an application or software system is *working correctly or not*



A Typical Test Case Format

- test case ID
- test case description
- test step or order of execution number
- related requirement(s)
- Depth/level
- test category
- author
- check boxes for whether the test is automatable and has been automated.
- Expected Result and Actual Result.
- Additional fields that may be included and completed when the tests are executed:
- pass/fail
- remarks

An Test Case Example for Login



From: http://www.vietnamesetestingboard.org/zbxe

Test Scripts (Test Automation)

- A set of instructions that perform the test cases on the system under test.
- Usually for automatic testing, e.g.,
 - Regression testing.
- Usually written in script languages (Unix scripts, peril, Tcl, PHP etc), programming languages (Java & C# & VB); and
- Vendor-specific languages for their tools, such as:
 - HP QuickTest Professional
 - Borland SilkTest
 - IBM Rational Robot

Test Suits

- A collection of test cases ready to be reused to test a specific class of software systems, such as performance test suits:
 - Database Benchmark: TPC-C
 - CPU Benchmark: <u>SPEC CPU2006</u>
 - High Performance Computing: <u>SPEC MPI2007</u>
 - Details refer to: http://www.spec.org

What is TPC?

- TPC = Transaction Processing Performance Council
- Founded in Aug/88 by Omri Serlin and 8 vendors
- Industry standards body for OLTP performance
- More information about TPC-C specifications and results are on http://www.tpc.org

TPC-C Overview

- A moderately complex OLTP (Online Transaction Processing) Application
- TPC-C models a wholesale supplier managing orders
- Provides a conceptual model for a typical class of OLTP systems
- Workload consists of 5 transaction types

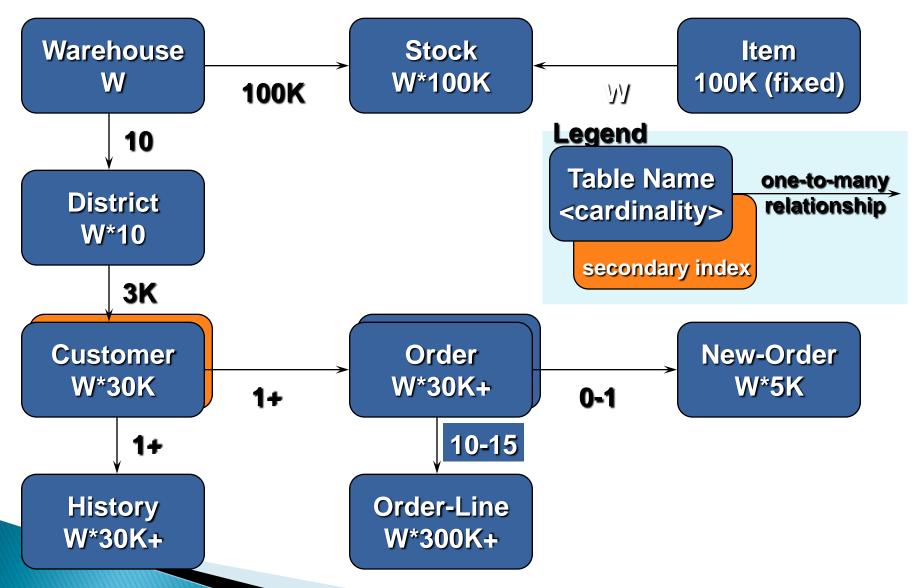
TPC-C's Five Transactions

- Stock-level: monitor warehouse inventory
- New-order: enter a new order from a customer
- Order-status: retrieve status of customer's most recent order
- Payment: update customer balance to reflect a payment
- Delivery: deliver orders (done as a batch transaction)

TPC-C Measuement Rules

- Transactions operate against a database of 9 tables.
- Transactions do update, insert, delete, and abort;
- Standard DB design Primary & secondary keys
- Response time requirement: 90% of each type of transaction must have a response time ≤ 5 seconds, except stock-level which is ≤ 20 seconds.
- Metrics:
 - Order txn rate (tpmC)
 - Price/performance (\$/tpmC)

TPC-C Database Schema



TPC-C Workflow



Select txn from menu:

- 1. New-Order 45%
- 2. Payment 43%
- 3. Order-Status 4%
- 4. Delivery 4%
- 5. Stock-Level 4%



Cycle Time Decomposition

(typical values, in seconds, for weighted average txn)

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Measure menu Response Time

Keying time

Menu = 0.3

Keying = 9.6

Txn RT = 2.1

Think = 11.4

Input screen

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Measure txn Response Time

Think time

Average cycle time = 23.4

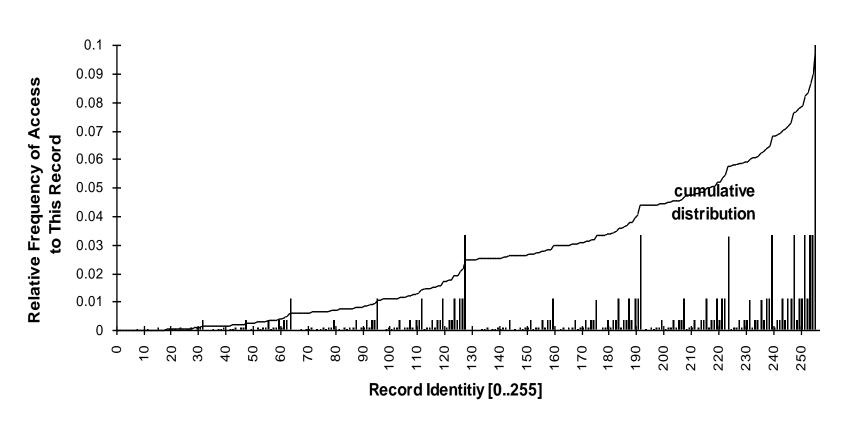
Output screen

Testing Data Generation

- NURand Non Uniform Random
 - NURand(A,x,y) = (((random(0,A) | random(x,y)) + C) %
 (y-x+1)) + x
 - Customer Last Name: NURand(255, 0, 999)
 - Customer ID: NURand(1023, 1, 3000)
 - Item ID: NURand(8191, 1, 100000)
 - bitwise OR of two random values
 - skews distribution toward values with more bits on
 - 75% chance that a given bit is one $(1 \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2})$
 - skewed data pattern repeats with period of smaller random number

NURand Distribution

TPC-C NURand function: frequency vs 0...255



ACID Testing

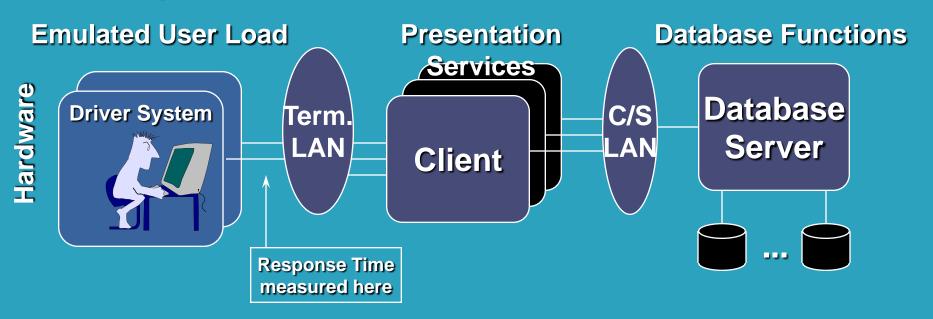
- Atomicity: Verify that all changes within a transaction commit or abort
- Consistency: from one state to another, nothing between the two states
- Isolation
 - ANSI Repeatable reads for all but Stock-Level transactions.
 - Committed reads for Stock-Level.

Durability

- Must demonstrate recovery from
 - Loss of power
 - Loss of memory
 - loss of media (e.g., disk crash)

Typical TPC-C Configuration

(Conceptual)



Software

RTE, e.g.: LoadRunner TPC-C application + Txn Monitor and/or database RPC library e.g., JDBC & ODBC TPC-C application (stored procedures) + Database engine + Txn Monitor e.g., SQL Server

TPC-C Rules of Thumb

- 1.2 tpmC per User/terminal (maximum)
- ▶ 10 terminals per warehouse (fixed)
- ▶ 65-70 MB/tpmC priced disk capacity (minimum)
- ~ 0.5 physical IOs/sec/tpmC (typical)
- 250-700 KB main memory/tpmC (how much \$ do you have?)
- So use rules of thumb to size 10,000 tpmC system:
 - How many terminals?
 - How many warehouses?
 - How much memory?
 - How much disk capacity?

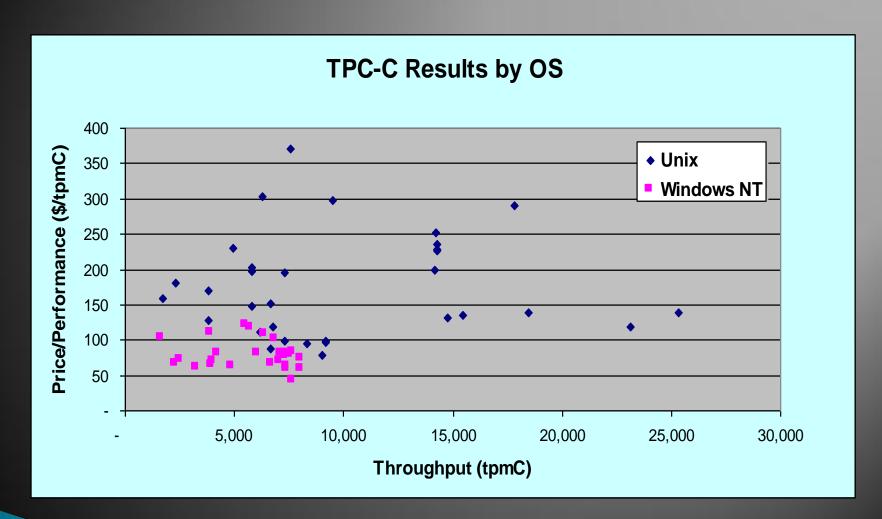
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» 834 = 8340 / 10
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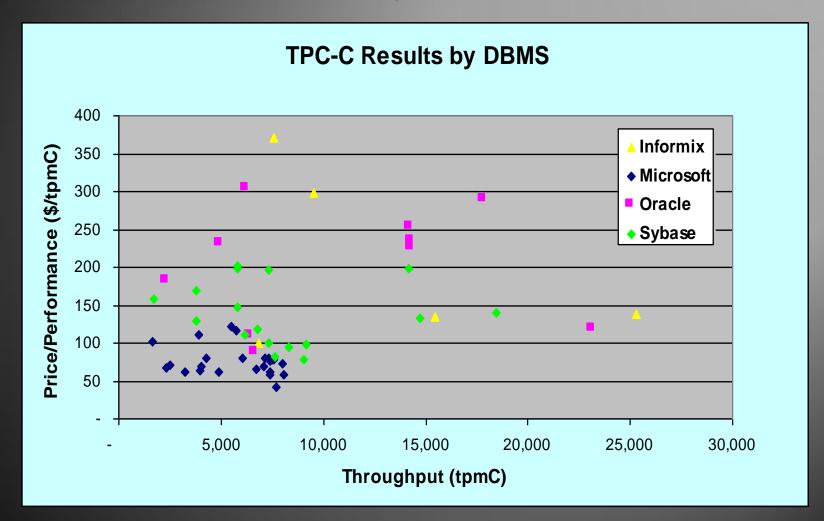
» 2.5 - 7 GB

» 650 GB = 10000 * 65

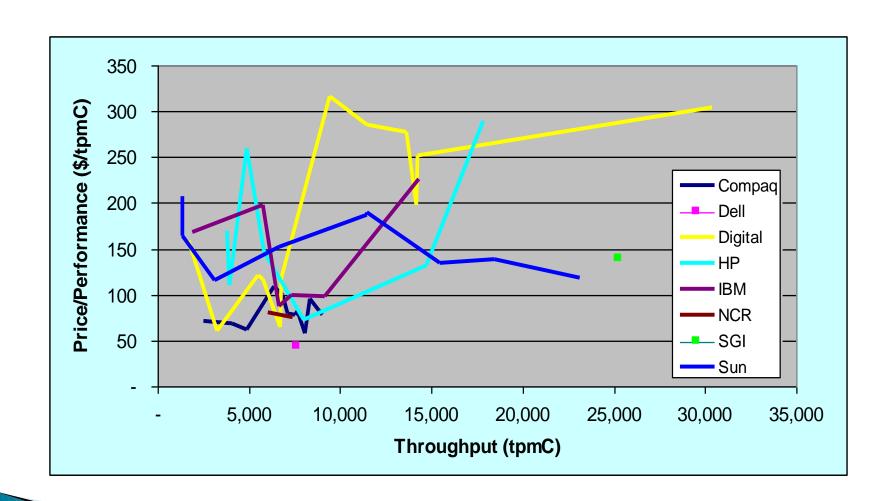
TPC-C Results (by OS)



TPC-C Results (by DBMS)



TPC-C for Computer Systems



TPC-C Summary

- Balanced, representative OLTP mix
 - Five transaction types
 - Database intensive; substantial IO and cache load
 - Scalable workload
 - Complex data: data attributes, size, skew
- Requires Transparency and ACID
- Full screen presentation services
- De facto standard for OLTP performance
- A very good candidate for performance testing reuse