QA stuff

They are not perhaps aware of fundamental scientific principle. There is no experient, there is no test for "it works". There is no test for "future", the "always". All I now is that it has not failed yet as far as I can tell. That does not say anything about what is going to happen in next two seconds.

James Bach (at #CAST2014 - "Test cases are not testing")

Testing frameworks

- Selenium a portable software testing framework for web applications. Selenium provides a record/playback tool for authoring tests without learning a test scripting language (Selenium IDE). It also provides a test domain-specific language (Selenese) to write tests in a number of popular programming languages, including Java, C#, Groovy, Perl, PHP, Python and Ruby. The tests can then be run against most modern web browsers. Selenium deploys on Windows, Linux, and Macintosh platforms. It is open-source software, released under the Apache 2.0 license, and can be downloaded and used without charge.
- Protractor end-to-end test framework for AngularJS applications.

Types of testing

- Exploratory testing a hands-on approach in which testers are involved in minimum planning and maximum test execution. The planning involves the creation of a test charter, a short declaration of the scope of a short (1 to 2 hour) time-boxed test effort, the objectives and possible approaches to be used.
- Unit testing a software testing method by which individual units of source code, sets of one or
 more computer program modules together with associated control data, usage procedures, and
 operating procedures, are tested to determine whether they are fit for use. Intuitively, one can
 view a unit as the smallest testable part of an application. In procedural programming, a unit
 could be an entire module, but it is more commonly an individual function or procedure. In
 object-oriented programming, a unit is often an entire interface, such as a class, but could be an
 individual method. Unit tests are short code fragments created by programmers or occasionally
 by white box testers during the development process. It forms the basis for component testing.
- Functional testing a quality assurance (QA) process and a type of black-box testing that bases its test cases on the specifications of the software component under test. Functions are tested by feeding them input and examining the output, and internal program structure is rarely considered (not like in white-box testing). Functional testing usually describes what the system does. Functional testing does not imply that you are testing a function (method) of your module or class. Functional testing tests a slice of functionality of the whole system.
- Regression testing a type of software testing that verifies that software that was previously
 developed and tested still performs correctly after it was changed or interfaced with other
 software. Changes may include software enhancements, patches, configuration changes, etc.
- Smoke testing a testing technique that is inspired from hardware testing, which checks for the smoke from the hardware components once the hardware's power is switched on. Similarly in Software testing context, smoke testing refers to testing the basic functionality of the build.
- Test automation the use of special software (separate from the software being tested) to

control the execution of tests and the comparison of actual outcomes with predicted outcomes. Test automation can automate some repetitive but necessary tasks in a formalized testing process already in place, or add additional testing that would be difficult to perform manually. Test automation is critical for continuous delivery and continuous testing.

- Security testing a process intended to reveal flaws in the security mechanisms of an information system that protect data and maintain functionality as intended. Due to the logical limitations of security testing, passing security testing is not an indication that no flaws exist or that the system adequately satisfies the security requirements.
- Stress testing a software testing activity that determines the robustness of software by testing beyond the limits of normal operation. Stress testing is particularly important for "mission critical" software, but is used for all types of software. Stress tests commonly put a greater emphasis on robustness, availability, and error handling under a heavy load, than on what would be considered correct behavior under normal circumstances.
- AB testing (sometimes called split testing) is comparing two versions of a web page to see
 which one performs better. You compare two web pages by showing the two variants (let's call
 them A and B) to similar visitors at the same time. The one that gives a better conversion rate,
 wins!

Books about testing

General resource is found here.

- Alan Richardson, "Java for testers", 2015, 291 lk;
- David Burns, "Selenium 2 Testing Tools", 2012, 232 lk;
- Lisa Crispin, Janet Gregory, "Agile Testing A Practical Guide For Testers And Agile Teams", 2008, 573lk;
- 99 things to do to become a better tester

Testing tools

General resource is found here.

 Postman - a Postman interceptor brings the power of your Chrome window to Postman! You can set custom headers (including cookies) from within Postman, and view cookies already set on the domain. You can also capture requests being sent from Chrome and import them into Postman.

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