
First steps into the testing world of Python

A report on learning Software Testing



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Software Testing

what does it mean?

exploratory testing

Repetitive is boring, boring leads to mistakes and makes you look for a different job by the end of the week.

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automated testing

where do I start?

unit testing

unittest

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Area of circle, using radius

The area of a circle is equal to its radius squared then multiplied by pi.

$$A = \pi(r^2)$$

- ! Radius must be a real number.
- ! Radius cannot be negative.

how do I test?

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assert



talk-testing: python

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Help on class TestCase in module unittest.case:

```
class TestCase(builtins.object)
    TestCase(methodName='runTest')
```

A class whose instances are single test cases.

By default, the test code itself should be placed in a method named 'runTest'.

If the fixture may be used for many test cases, create as many test methods as are needed. When instantiating such a TestCase subclass, specify in the constructor arguments the name of the test method that the instance is to execute.

Test authors should subclass TestCase for their own tests. Construction and deconstruction of the test's environment ('fixture') can be implemented by overriding the 'setUp' and 'tearDown' methods respectively.

If it is necessary to override the `__init__` method, the base class `__init__` method must always be called. It is important that subclasses should not change the signature of their `__init__` method, since instances of the classes are instantiated automatically by parts of the framework in order to be run.

When subclassing TestCase, you can set these attributes:

- * `failureException`: determines which exception will be raised when the instance's assertion methods fail; test methods raising this





```
assertDictContainsSubset(self, subset, dictionary, msg=None)
    Checks whether dictionary is a superset of subset.

assertDictEqual(self, d1, d2, msg=None)

assertEqual(self, first, second, msg=None)
    Fail if the two objects are unequal as determined by the '=='
    operator.

assertEquals = deprecated_func(*args, **kwargs)

assertFalse(self, expr, msg=None)
    Check that the expression is false.

assertGreater(self, a, b, msg=None)
    Just like self.assertTrue(a > b), but with a nicer default message.

assertGreaterEqual(self, a, b, msg=None)
    Just like self.assertTrue(a >= b), but with a nicer default message.

assertIn(self, member, container, msg=None)
    Just like self.assertTrue(a in b), but with a nicer default message.

assertIs(self, expr1, expr2, msg=None)
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assertIsInstance(self, obj, cls, msg=None)
    Same as self.assertTrue(isinstance(obj, cls)), with a nicer
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>>> help(unittest.TestCase.assertAlmostEqual)
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why should I test?

identify bugs early

confidence on the code

what's next?

Integration

PyTest

Selenium

nose

TDD

BDD

DDT

ATDD

Black-box

Hypothesis

Property-based

Mock

Maintainability

Test Pyramid

Continuous
Integration

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