CIS54x Unit Test Autograder Package

This package is intended to be used for eCornell's CIS54x online web design course. It contains unit tests intended to be used by the course's Codio environment.

The Unit Test AutoGrader runs off of Node.JS and can be installed into any machine, virtual or local, to grade assignments focused on HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

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1) Files, Node.JS Modules, and Other Contents Present within the CIS54x Package

Core Files and Folders

All of the files and/or directories listed here are necessary for the operation of the AutoGrader.

File/Directory	Purpose	Example Command
app.js	The main Node.JS file the AutoGrader runs off	<pre>env TESTS=path/to/tests.json node app.js</pre>
runner.js	The Mocha runner that runs all Mocha tests. Can be accessed separately from app.js via the command line.	<pre>env TESTS=path/to/tests.json mocha path/to/runner.js</pre>
tests.json	A JSON object file that contains all the necessary unit tests when running the AutoGrader	none

About "app.js"

app.js is the core of the AutoGrader application. It must be accessed via Terminal in order to function.

Running app.js requires 1 necessary [*] and 2 optional environmental arguments.

Argument	Purpose	Default	Additional Notes
TESTS*	Relative pathway to tests.json.	none	If SINGLEDIR env. variable not defined, the AutoGrader will look at the root directory of the tests.json file defined by TESTS.
SINGLEDIR	Relative pathway to single submission that needs to be graded.	If not provided, AutoGrader will look at root directory of tests.json as its SINGLEDIR directory	Must be a directory - files will return an error.
	Relative		

SUBMISSIONS	pathway to directory containing multiple submissions to be graded.	If provided, will overwrite SINGLEDIR declaration regardless.	Must be a directory containing directories - files will be ignored
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A generic command line that will initialize the AutoGrader using app.js is divided into the following parts:

```
env
TESTS=path/to/tests.json
[SINGLEDIR=path/to/single/submission/directory/]
[SUBMISSIONS=path/to/directory/with/multiple/submissions/]
node app
```

For more information in how to run the AutoGrader, look at the section titled Running the AutoGrader On Your Local Machine.

About "runner.js"

If you wish to skip using app.js and directly refer to mocha testing output from unit tests, you must run the AutoGrader using runner.js instead.

The benefit of running runner.js instead of app.js is that runner.js will output console.log() into the Terminal directly. Running the AutoGrader with app.js surpresses all console.log() output from any of the user tests. HOWEVER, runner.js will only look at one submission with every command line initialization.

Running runner.js requires 1 necessary [*] and 1 optional environmental arguments.

Argument	Purpose	Default	Additional Notes
TESTS*	Relative pathway to tests.json.	none	If DIR env. variable not defined, the AutoGrader will look at the root directory of the tests.json file defined by TESTS.
	Relative pathway to	If not provided, AutoGrader will look	

DIR	single	at root directory of	Must be a directory - files
	submission	tests.json as its	will return an error.
	that needs to	testing directory	
	be graded.		

Notice that unlike app.js, runner.js only needs 2 environmental variables at maximum. This is because runner.js operates by looking at only one submission only.

A generic command line that will initialize the AutoGrader using app.js is divided into the following parts:

```
env
TESTS=path/to/tests.json
[DIR=path/to/single/submission/directory/]
mocha runner.js
```

For more information in how to run the AutoGrader, look at the section titled Running the AutoGrader On Your Local Machine.

About "tests.json"

In order for the AutoGrader to run, it needs some parameters by which it can run tests - instructions, in other words. This is where tests.json comes into play.

tests.json provides the AutoGrader explicit instructions on how to utilize the tests to grade student submissions. A document called sampleTest.json has been provided to give an idea of how this file should be formatted.

Each test required within a session must be a JSON object within the array titled "tests" within tests.json. Every test must contain the following variables (NOTE: Those marked * are required, others are not mandatory depending on the test used):

For a more precise description of what every test requires, look at Inside "tests.json" within Running the AutoGrader On Your Local Machine

For exact notes on which arguments and variables to use for each particular unit test, look at Unit Tests Provided With the Package.

Core Middleware

All of the files and/or directories listed here are necessary for the operation of the autograder.

File/Directory	Purpose	Additional Notes
common.js	A Node.JS module that contains functions and global variables that are commonly necessary among all unit tests.	NOT accessible via the command line - it is not a standalone Node.JS application
package.json	The Node.JS package information that contains information on all node modules currently installed within the Node.JS application	none
Directories 001-100/, 101-200/, and 301-400	Directories that contain the unit tests necessary for the package	none
app.css	A CSS stylesheet that contains modified styling used by Mochawesome's HTML reports.	This file is to replace the default "mochawesome-rport-generator" package that comes with Mochawesome.
utils.js	A JavaScript file, a modified version of the one used by Mochawesome that produces the output needed for the HTML and JSON reports Mochawesome prints out.	This file is to replace the default <i>utils.js</i> file used by the Mochawesome package.

Core Node.JS Modules That Need to be Installed Globally

The autograder runs off of the following Node.JS modules that allow for the tests to run:

Node.JS Package	Purpose	Online Resource(s)
mocha	Testing Framework for this CIS54x Autograder Package	Website

Optional Files/Folders/Modules

While these files, folders, and modules are not necessary, some of these mentioned ARE necessary for certain unit tests. Which unit tests require the following files/folders/modules are mentioned in parentheses next to each file.

Optional File/Directory/Modules	Туре	Purpose	Additional Notes
vnu.jar	File	Used to validate HTML and CSS for errors	Unit Tests 001, 101
tests/	Directory	Contains other files and directories used for testing the unit tests themselves	none
testJSONS/	Directory	Contains the tests.json files used to test the unit tests of the autograder	none
testcafe	Global module	A Node.JS test framework used for certain unit tests. Separate from Mocha, but the autograder utilizes this framework temporarily when testing DOM properties or JavaScript functionality on the DOM	Unit Test 103 npm install -g testcafe
http-server	Global module	a Node.JS module that allows files to be hosted on a localserver. Used in conjunction with TestCafe to test DOM properties and JavaScript functionality on DOM elements	Unit Test 103 npm install -g http- server
Google Chrome	Application	Used in conjunction with testcafe and http-server to host websites for testing DOM properties and JavaScript	[1]

		functionality	
mocha.opts	File	The operations file Mocha uses to define its settings and operations.	Currently deprecated

[1] To install Google Chrome via the Bash Terminal Command Line, you must execute the following commands in order:

```
wget -q -0 - https://dl-ssl.google.com/linux/linux_signing_key.pub | sudo apt-key add -
sudo sh -c 'echo "deb https://dl.google.com/linux/chrome/deb/ stable main" >> /etc/apt/
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install google-chrome-stable
```

2) Unit Tests Provided With the Package

The CIS54x Unit Test Autograder Package comes with the following unit tests pre-packaged. Those contained within brackets [] are optional variables

001-100 Unit Tests --- HTML-Related

001-100 Unit Tests	Function	Variables	Necessary Additional Files/Modules
001- validate- html.js	Looks for HTML errors in an HTML file or all HTML files in a given directory	<pre>[HTML_PATH] : string: file or directory default = directory of tests.json , or otherwise specified within command line variables SINGLEDIR or SUBMISSIONS</pre>	vnu.jar

		[SUPPRESS]: boolean: suppress errors involved with doctype or missing title in head default = false	
002- element- exists.js	Looks if an HTML tag is present within an HTML file	HTML_PATH: string: path to HTML file SELECTOR: string: CSS selector of HTML element needed to be searched for [EXISTS]: boolean: Should the element exist or not exist? - default = true	none
003- resource- exists.js	Checks if the src or href files of certain elements load properly in the browser for the index page of a website	SELECTOR: string: CSS selector [DIR_PATH]: string: path to the root directory of a website - default = directory of tests.json, or otherwise specified within command line variables SINGLEDIR or SUBMISSIONS [FILES]: array of strings: all HTML files that needs to be inspected - default = ["index.html"]	- TestCafe - http-server - Google Chrome
		HTML_PATH: string: path to file ORDER: Object list of	

004- order- exists.js	Given a PARENT SELECTOR and an array of CHILDREN SELECTORS, check if the parent's children match an expected order of HTML elements provided	string and array pairs: parent selector, and list of children selectors [PARENT]: string: selector of some HTML element that acts as a parent of elements - default = "html body" (first instance of Parent only)	- Cheerio - node-html- parser
		children: array of strings/object lists: list of either strings that match immediate children selectors or object lists that contain their own PARENT and CHILDREN	

101-200 Unit Tests --- CSS-Related

101-200 Unit Tests	Function	Variables	Necessary Additional Files/Modules
101- validate- css.js	Looks for CSS errors in a CSS file or all CSS files in a given directory	<pre>[CSS_PATH] : string : file or directory - default = directory of tests.json , or otherwise specified within command line variables SINGLEDIR or SUBMISSIONS</pre>	vnu.jar
		CSS_PATH: string: path to CSS file PROPERTY: string: CSS property needed to be searched for	

102- declaration- exists.js	Looks if an CSS declaration is present within a CSS file	[SELECTOR]: string: looks for specified PROPERTY inside any CSS declarations matching the SELECTOR - default = null [VALUE]: string: looks for	none
		specified PROPERTY with	
		specified VALUE	
		- default = null	
		<pre>[EXISTS] : boolean : Should the declaration exist or not exist? - default = true</pre>	

301-400 Unit Tests --- File-System-Related

301-400 Unit Tests	Function	Variables	Necessary Additional Files/Modules
301-file- exists.js	Checks if a given file or directory exists	PATH: string: file or directory	none
302-image- files.js	Checks if all images are located in the same base directory	[ROOT_DIR]: string: path to root directory of website - default = directory of "tests.json", or otherwise specified within command line variables SINGLEDIR or SUBMISSIONS [IMAGES_DIR]: string: directory where all images must be based inside - default = null (will just look for common directory)	- is-image

303- formatting.js	Checks if the indicated files are formatted properly via fuzzy testing and file comparisons	PATH: string: file or directory [SIMILARITY]: string/double/integer: parameter of similarity, files must be >= suggested format in similarity - default = 0.75 [INDENTATION_ONLY]: boolean: Check for only indentation or whole format - default = false [FILETYPES]: string/array of strings: which types (html or css or both) AutoGrader should check for - default = ["html", "css"]	- diff - cssbeautify - html
304-compare- files	Compares two files to get degrees of difference between the two	CHECK_PATH: string: file to be checked TRUE_PATH: string: file to be compared against [SIMILARITY]: string/double/integer: parameter of similarity, files must be >= suggested format in similarity - default = 0.75 [ONLY_CONTENTS]: boolean: check only contents or	- diff

	whole format - default = false	
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3) Running the AutoGrader On Your Local Machine

Base Installation

While installation is relatively easy, there are certain actions that MUST be taken for the program to work as intended.

- 1. In your Bash Terminal, change the working directory to the root folder of where you have placed the CIS54x package.
- 2. Use the following command to install the necessary Node.JS modules: npm install
- 3. You must install mocha globally into your local machine. You may do so with the following command: sudo npm install -g mocha
- 4. You must replace the following two files over their defaults. If you are feeling paranoid, feel free to create copies of the original mochawesome and mochawesome-report-generator folders before replacing the following files.
 - utils.js
 - This file replaces: node modules/mochawesome/dist/utils.js
 - app.css
 - *This file replaces:* node_modules/mochawesome-report-generator/dist/app.css

Sample Command Lines to Operate the AutoGrader

Here are some sample commands that can be used to operate the AutoGrader, for people who may not necessary be comfortable with how to work the AutoGrader.

Testing A Single Submission w/ a tests.json WITHIN the Root of the Submission Directory

Let us say that <code>submissions/</code> is the directory containing all student submissions and we are trying to grade <code>student1/</code>, which coincidentally happens to contain <code>tests.json</code>:

```
env
TESTS=submissions/student1/tests.json
node app
```

Explanation: Since tests.json is located within the root of the submission folder (submissions/student1), the AutoGrader knows where the submission is located relative to app.js and will grade the submission properly.

Testing A Single Submission w/ a tests.json NOT Located Within the Same Root Of the Submission Directory

Let us say that <code>submissions/</code> is the directory containing all student submissions and we are trying to grade <code>student2/</code> but <code>tests.json</code> is not located within <code>student2/</code>:

```
env
TESTS=testFiles/tests.json
SINGLEDIR=submissions/student1/
node app
```

Explanation: tests.json is located within another directory called testFiles/, while the student submission student2/ is contained within submissions/. We need to signify that we want to test submissions/student2/, so we use SINGLEDIR within the command line.

Testing MULTIPLE Submissions w/ a tests.json That Can Be Located Anywhere

Let us say that <code>submissions/</code> is the directory containing all student submissions and we are trying to grade BOTH <code>student1/</code> and <code>student2/.tests.json</code> is located within <code>testFiles/:</code>

```
env
TESTS=testFiles/tests.json
SUBMISSIONS=submissions/
node app
```

Explanation: We want to test multiple submissions, so we must use SUBMISSIONS in our command line, not SINGLEDIR. In this scenario, the location of tests.json does not matter, but we must still define where it is.

Workflow Of the AutoGrader

The CIS54x Unit Test AutoGrader performs its functions in the following order by default:

1. User executes a command to initialize the AutoGrader (ex. env TESTS=tests.json node app.js) while the current working directory within the Bash terminal is the root folder where app.js is located

2. app.js:

- Gets the path to tests.json via the Environmental Variable executed alongside the command above
- Determines whether to test a single submission or multiple submissions, depending on whether SUBMISSIONS was defined in the command line or not.
- Executes a Child Process command: env TESTS=tests.json mocha --... runner.js for every submission required to be graded.

3. runner.js:

- Scans tests.json for the list of unit tests it must execute Ends prematurely with Exit Code 1 if no tests.json was provided.
- Synchronously runs each unit test provided inside tests.json every unit test is its own mocha test suite
- Prints out Mocha test results using <code>mochawesome</code> produces a <code>testReport/</code> folder with <code>report.html</code> , alongside other files

4. Back to app.js

- Once the Runner finishes its testing, the Autograder performs according to whether the tests returned any failed suites or not.
- If the runner returns any failed suites, the program terminates with Exit Code 1 and with any error messages outputted via the terminal
- If the runner doesn't return any failed suites, the program terminates with Exit Code 0.

To view the results of the Autograder's testing, simply open up report.html that is located within the newly made testReport/ directory.

Additionally, it is entirely possible to run runner.js without relying on app.js - one simply needs to execute env TESTS=tests.json mocha --opts mocha.opts runner.js within the Bash Terminal, as the program will output a report.html that can be viewed regardless.

Adjusting Settings

Should the need arise, certain options can be altered to allow the Autograder to work per the needs of the user.

Changing Mochawesome Settings

If you wish to alter the Mochawesome settings used by the AutoGrader to cater to your needs, you must alter the <code>child_process()</code> command lines used within <code>app.js</code>. These particularly call the function <code>exec()</code>, so you may use this to easily search for where the commands are within the file.

While mocha.opts is currently deprecated, it contains the original Mochawesome reporter settings used in previous versions of the AutoGrader. There were several defined options preset to work by default. These options are meant to alter the behavior of the Mocha testing framework and the Mochawesome reporter used in conjunction with Mocha. You may use this as a means of experimenting with what settings is which.

Option	Description	Default Value	Ac
 reporter	Tells Mocha which reporter it should use	<pre>node_modules/mochawesome/dist/mochawesome.js</pre>	The N frame a fork versice Mock on puthis is altered the Mock report for the Autoc.
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Sets the timeout period for each unit test	Reco to be at lea than allow time- tests to pe opera

A full list of additional options for Mochawesome that can be altered are provided here and here.

Inside "tests.json"

Within tests.json are the unit tests that are meant to be executed by the Autograder upon

each run. You may link to any unit test file provided by the Autograder, or any custom unit test that you may wish to use. For each unit test you wish to define, here are the common values you must define for the unit test to operate properly.

• Note: Those wrapped by brackets [] are optional; those marked with an asterisk * are those where certain unit tests have predefined these and cannot be altered via tests.json

Be aware that any links provided are relative to runner.js, meaning that if a unit test file is located one directory lower than runner.js you must adjust properly.

Value	Description	Value Type	Example
title	The title that defines your unit test	string	"title":"P tag existence"
test	Pathway to where the unit test file is located	string	"test":"001-100/002-element- exists.js"
[statement]	Message that usually defines what you may expect for the test to return a success	string	"statement":"Expect p tag to be present"
[error_message]	The error message that appears if a unit test returns a failure	string	"error_message":"P tag was not found!"
	Defines whether any hints should		

[hints] *	appear for failed tests 001 and 101 are predefined to output hints regardless	string or false (boolean)	"hints":"Check for mispellings\nMake sure you haven't forgotten to add them into your code"
variables	Each unit test requires certain unique variables to operate properly Refer to Unit Tests Provided With the Package for a list of variables for each unit test	object list, containing various value types	"variables":{ "HTML_PATH":"./example.html", "SELECTOR":"p", "EXISTS":true }

Inside "common.js"

There is a single variable named <code>vnuPath</code> defined within this file. All that is necessary is to ensure that the defined pathway to <code>vnu.jar</code> is set so that it is relative to the unit test that requires it, not <code>runner.js</code> or <code>app.js</code>.

4) Warnings and Considerations

There are several things to keep track of when using the package within your local machine:

- 1. Make sure you've set your working directory to the root directory of the CIS54x package
- 2. Make sure that you have the most up-to-date Node.JS modules installed
- 3. Make sure that you have the necessary modules installed globally (mocha)

- 4. Make sure that tests.json contains the appropriate pathways and variables
 - Remember: all pathways defined within this file must be treated as if you were relative to runner.js
- 5. Make sure that you've replaced app.css and utils.js appropriately
- 6. Make sure that the vnuPath variable defined within common.js is linked properly to vnu.jar, relative to the unit tests that require that file
- 7. If you wish to run the tests from runner.js and not app.js, then make sure that tests.json, mocha.opts, and runner.js have their paths properly defined