

Testing Strategies for Python



Strategies to make eating your vegetables a little less awful

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- I love pizza, plants, pugs, and Python
- I'm currently open to new job opportunities!

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</What is testing?



Software testing is the process of **evaluating** and **verifying** that a software product or application **does what it is supposed to do**.¹

¹“What is software testing?” <https://www.ibm.com/topics/software-testing>

</The benefits of testing



Prevent bugs

Discover breaking
changes before the
user does



Reduce development costs

Devote fewer
resources to
incident response



Improve performance

Uncover
bottlenecks and
scaling issues










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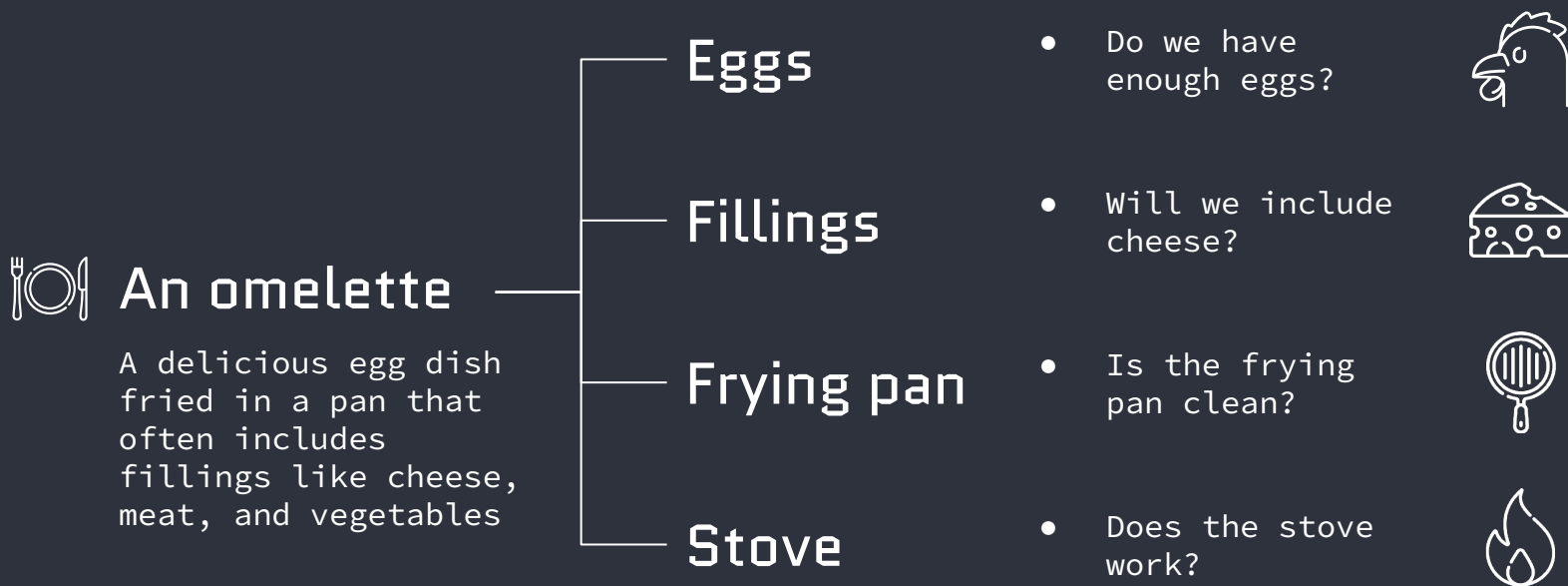
Write *better* code!

- Detect code smells
- Indicate when it may be time to refactor or reconsider system design

</Different kinds of testing

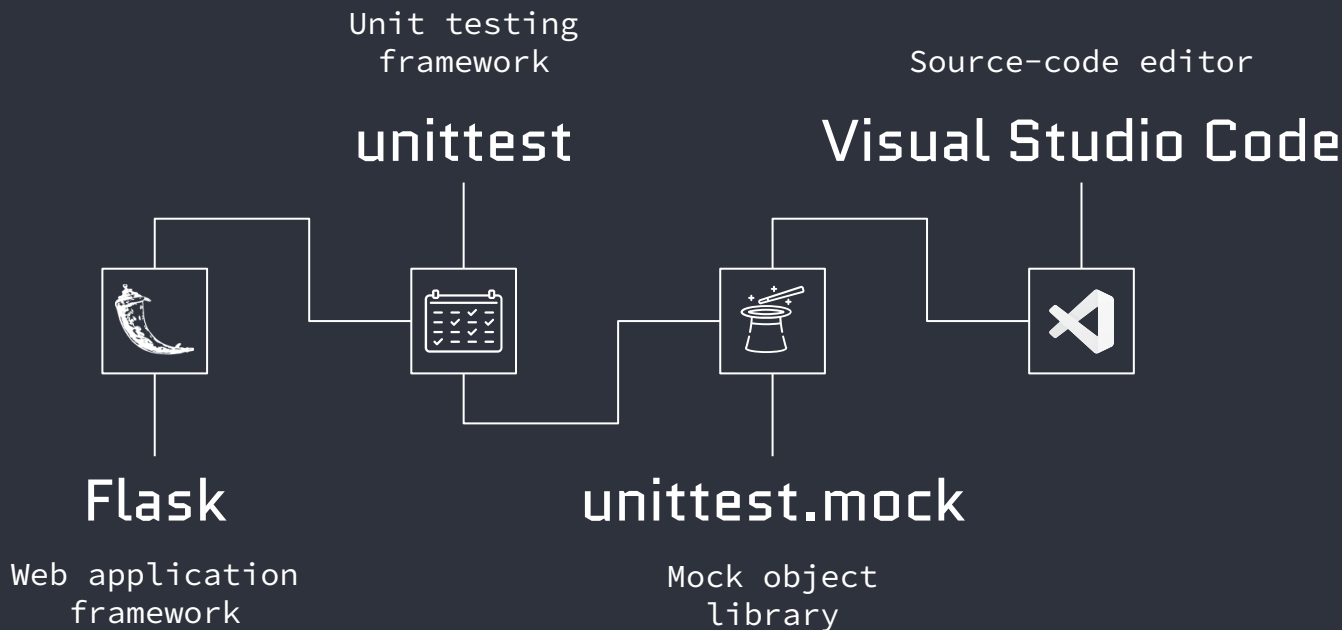
	GOOD	NEUTRAL	EVIL
LAWFUL	ACCEPTANCE TESTING Does the whole system work as intended? 	UNIT TESTING Do the smallest components of the system work correctly independently? 	REGRESSION TESTING Do new features break or degrade functionality? 
NEUTRAL	INTEGRATION TESTING  Do the different software components or functions operate together?	USABILITY TESTING How well can a customer use a system or web application to complete a task? 	FUNCTIONAL TESTING Does the system meet the requirements of the intended business scenarios? 
CHAOTIC	STRESS TESTING  How much strain can the system endure before it fails?	PERFORMANCE TESTING How does the system perform under different workloads? 	CHAOS TESTING Can the system withstand unpredictable, turbulent conditions? 

</Unit testing: An omelette analogy¹



¹“Explain Unit Testing like I'm five.” <https://dev.to/kalpeshbdarji/comment/3ama>

</Writing & running unit tests



</In summary



Unit testing

Validates each software unit performs as expected

Parameterization



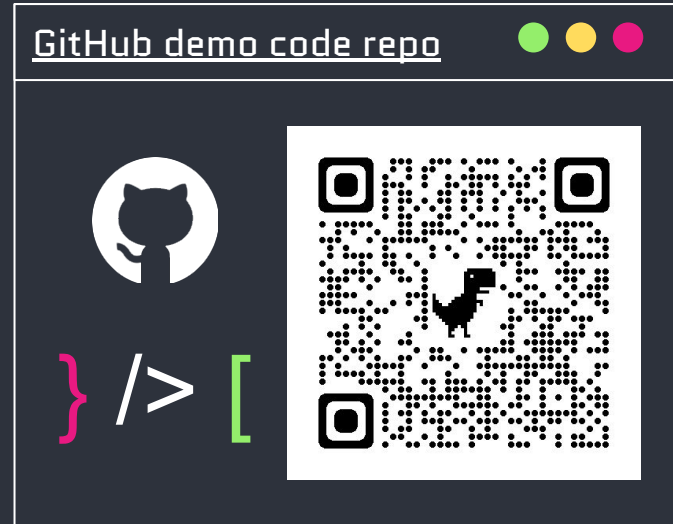
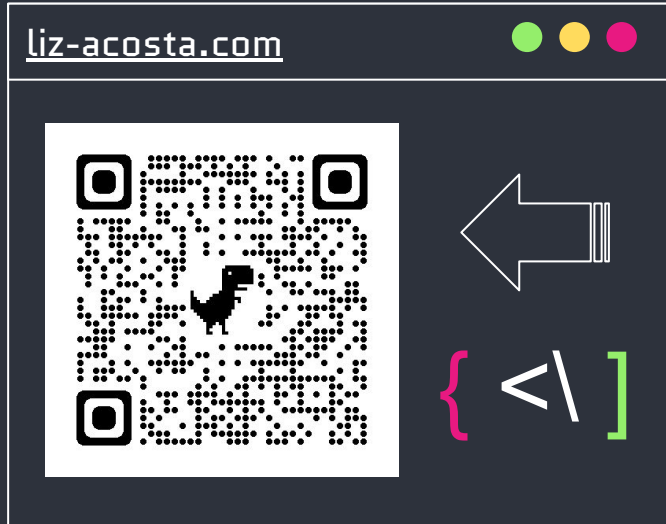
Mocking



Tests in VS Code



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