

Software Testing

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- Tests are typically binary with software: either it performs as you expect or it doesn't perform as you expect...
- Tests will take a variety of formats, from manual observation to automation, but usually adhere to the following ruleset:
  - Tests pass if the behaviour is as you expect
  - Tests fail if the behaviour differs from that expected





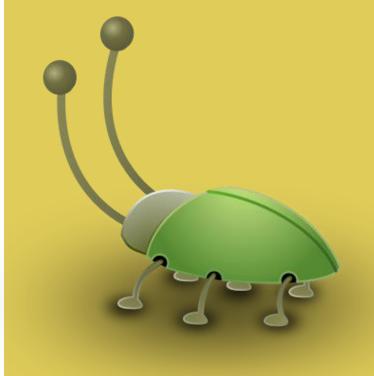


### Program bugs

If the behaviour of the program does not match the behaviour that you expect, then this means that there are bugs in your program that need to be fixed.

There are two causes of program bugs:

- Programming errors You have accidentally included faults in your program code. For example, a common programming error is an 'off-by-1' error where you make a mistake with the upper bound of a sequence and fail to process the last element in that sequence.
- **Understanding errors** You have misunderstood or have been unaware of some of the details of what the program is supposed to do. For example, if your program processes data from a file, you may not be aware that some of this data is in the wrong format, so your program doesn't include code to handle this.





### Types of testing

#### **Functional testing**

Test the functionality of the overall system. The goals of functional testing are to discover as many bugs as possible in the implementation of the system and to provide convincing evidence that the system is fit for its intended purpose.

#### **User testing**

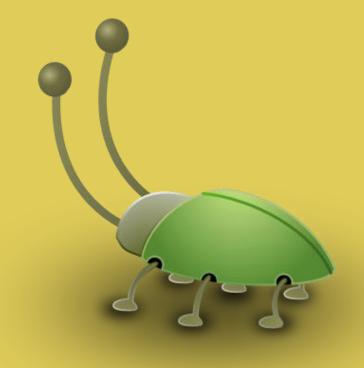
Test that the software product is useful to and usable by end-users. You need to show that the features of the system help users do what they want to do with the software. You should also show that users understand how to access the software's features and can use these features effectively.

#### Performance and load testing

Test that the software works quickly and can handle the expected load placed on the system by its users. You need to show that the response and processing time of your system is acceptable to end-users. You also need to demonstrate that your system can handle different loads and scales gracefully as the load on the software increases.

#### **Security testing**

Test that the software maintains its integrity and can protect user information from theft and damage.





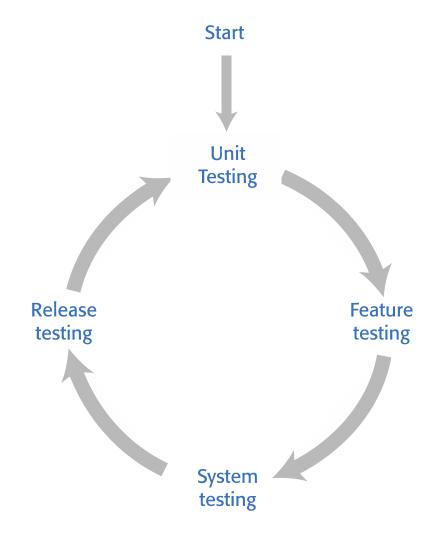
### Functional testing processes (1)

#### **Unit testing**

- The aim of unit testing is to test program units in isolation.
- Tests should be designed to execute all of the code in a unit at least once.
- Individual code units are tested by the programmer as they are developed.

#### **Feature testing**

- Code units are integrated to create features.
- Feature tests should test all aspects of a feature.
- All of the programmers who contribute code units to a feature should be involved in its testing.



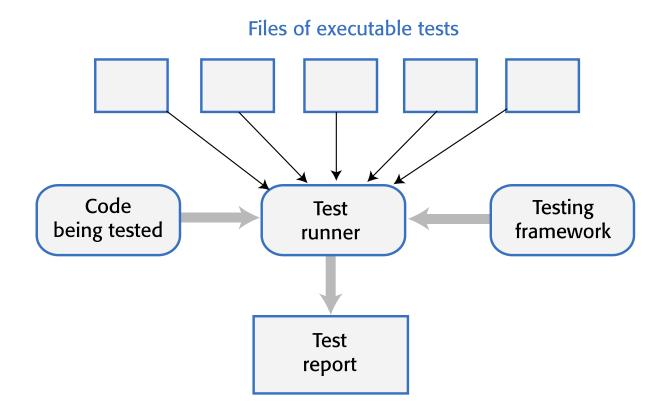


# Test Automation



#### Test automation

- Automated testing is based on the idea that tests should be executable.
- An executable test includes the input data to the unit that is being tested, the expected result and a check that the unit returns the expected result.
- You run the test and the test passes if the unit returns the expected result.
- Normally, you should develop hundreds or thousands of executable tests for a software product.





#### Automated tests

It is good practice to structure automated tests into three parts:

**Arrange** - You set up the system to run the test. This involves defining the test parameters and, if necessary, mock objects that emulate the functionality of code that has not yet been developed.

**Action** - You call the unit that is being tested with the test parameters.

**Assert** - You make an assertion about what should hold if the unit being tested has executed successfully.

If you use equivalence partitions to identify test inputs, you should have several automated tests based on correct and incorrect inputs from each partition.

```
TestInterestCalculator inherits attributes and
 methods from the class
 TestCase in the testing framework unittest
class TestInterestCalculator (unittest.TestCase):
    # Define a set of unit tests where each test tests
    # one thing only
     Tests should start with test and the name should
    # explain what is being tested
    def test zeroprincipal (self):
         #Arrange - set up the test parameters
         p = 0; r = 3; n = 31
         result should be = 0
         #Action - Call the method to be tested
         interest = interest calculator (p, r, n)
         #Assert - test what should be true
         self.assertEqual (result should be, interest)
    def test yearly interest (self):
         #Arrange - set up the test parameters
         p = 17000; r = 3; n = 365
          #Action - Call the method to be tested
         result should be = 270.36
         interest = interest calculator (p, r, n)
         #Assert - test what should be true
         self.assertEqual (result should be, interest)
```



### Test name\_check function

```
import unittest
from RE checker import namecheck
class TestNameCheck(unittest.TestCase):
  def test alphaname(self):
           self.assertTrue(namecheck('Sommerville'))
  def test doublequote(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck("Thisis'maliciouscode'"))
  def test namestartswithhyphen(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck('-Sommerville'))
  def test namestartswithquote(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck("'Reilly"))
  def test nametoolong(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck
   ('Thisisalongstringwithmorethen40charactersfrombeginningtoend'))
  def test nametooshort(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck('S'))
  def test namewithdigit(self):
           self.assertFalse(namecheck('C-3PO'))
  def test namewithdoublehyphen (self):
           self.assertFalse (namecheck ('--badcode'))
  def test namewithhyphen(self):
           self.assertTrue(namecheck('Washington-Wilson'))
```

```
import unittest
loader = unittest.TestLoader()

# Find the test files in the current directory

tests = loader.discover('.')

# Specify the level of information provided
# by the test runner

testRunner =
unittest.runner.TextTestRunner(verbosity=2)
testRunner.run(tests)
```



### Unit testing guidelines

#### Test edge cases

If your partition has upper and lower bounds (e.g. length of strings, numbers, etc.) choose inputs at the edges of the range.

#### **Force errors**

Choose test inputs that force the system to generate all error messages. Choose test inputs that should generate invalid outputs.

#### Fill buffers

Choose test inputs that cause all input buffers to overflow.

#### Repeat yourself

Repeat the same test input or series of inputs several times.

#### Overflow and underflow

If your program does numeric calculations, choose test inputs that cause it to calculate very large or very small numbers.

#### Don't forget null and zero

If your program uses pointers or strings, always test with null pointers and strings. If you use sequences, test with an empty sequence. For numeric inputs, always test with zero.

#### **Keep count**

When dealing with lists and list transformation, keep count of the number of elements in each list and check that these are consistent after each transformation.

#### One is different

If your program deals with sequences, always test with sequences that have a single value.

```
def namecheck(s):
    # checks that a name only includes
    # alphabetic characters, -, or single quote
    # names must be between 2 and 40
    # characters long
    # quoted strings and -- are disallowed

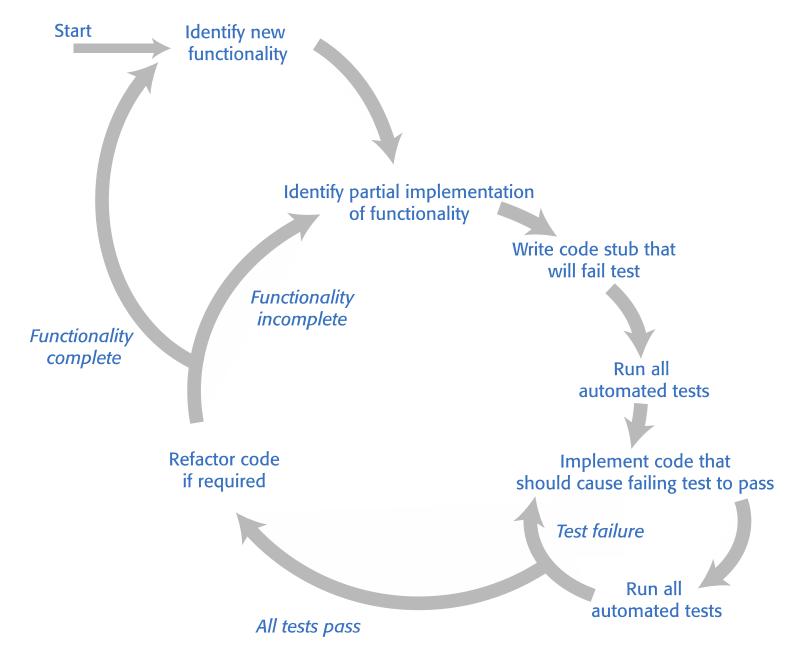
namex = r"^[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z-']{1,39}$"
    if re.match (namex, s):
        if (re.search ("'.*'", s) or
            re.search ("--", s)):
        return False
    else:
        return True
    return False
```



Test Driven Development (TDD)

### Test Driven Development

- Software Requirements are converted into test cases, before the software is fully developed.
- Test cases are designed to be run repeatedly as development progresses. It can be a useful measure of how well the requirements are fulfilled.
- Kent Beck is credited with having 'rediscovered' this process after promoting a 'test-first' concept in Extreme programming (1999) where pair programming comes from.
- In 2003, Kent stated that "TDD encourages simple designs and inspires confidence"



# Test Driven Development (TDD) Cycle

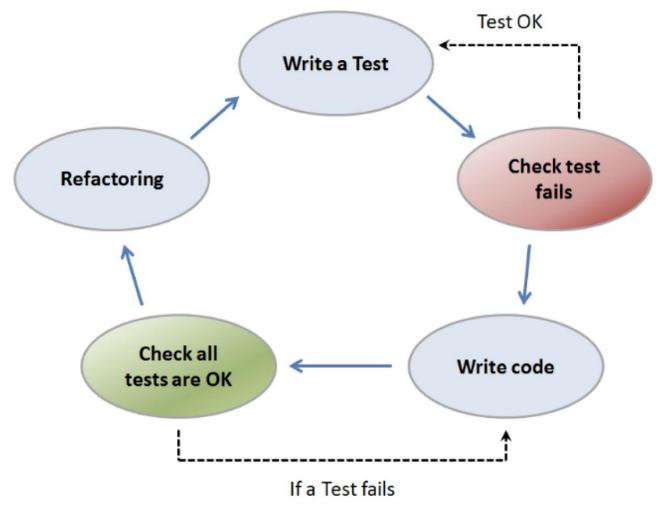
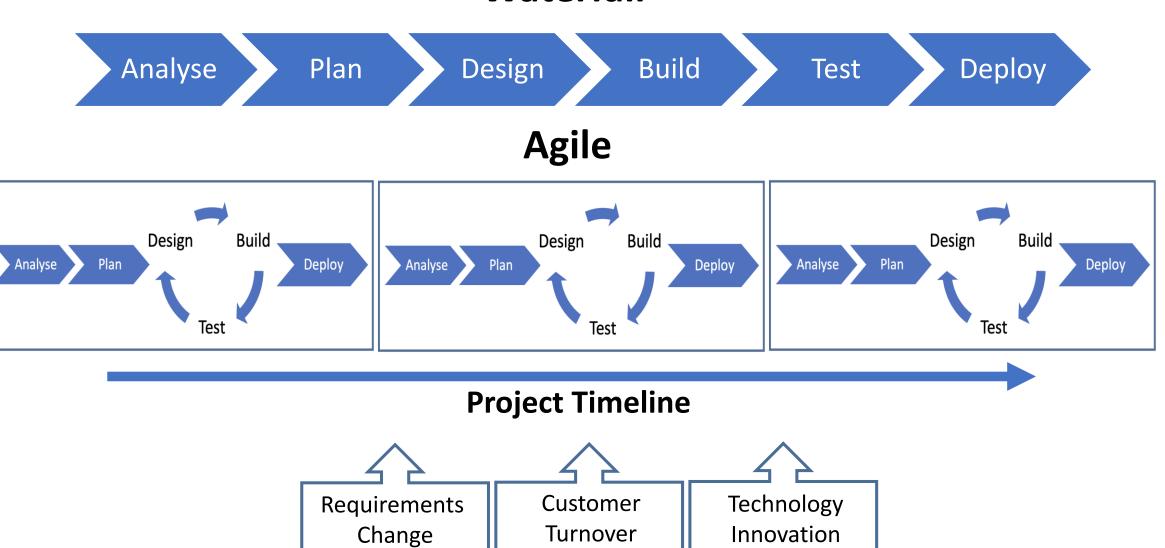


Figure 1: TDD Cycle

### Waterfall



### Requirements – map to tests!

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### Space Invaders

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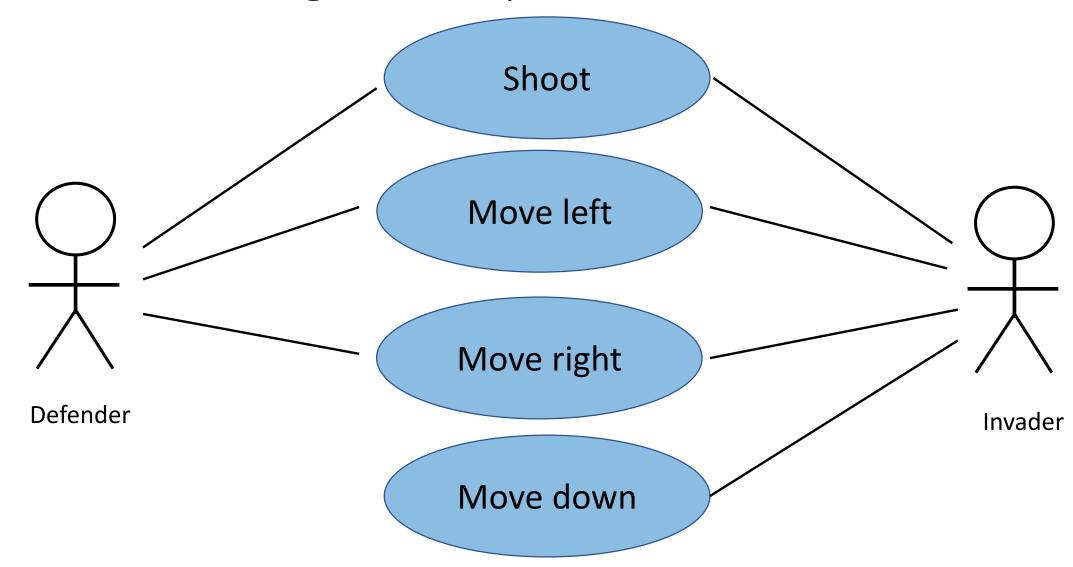
### Requirements

- The Defender should move left and right and be able to fire bullets
- Invaders must alternate direction as they move down the screen
- Invaders speed of travel should increase as fewer remain and levels progress
- Shields should crumble as they shot by both the Invader and the Defender

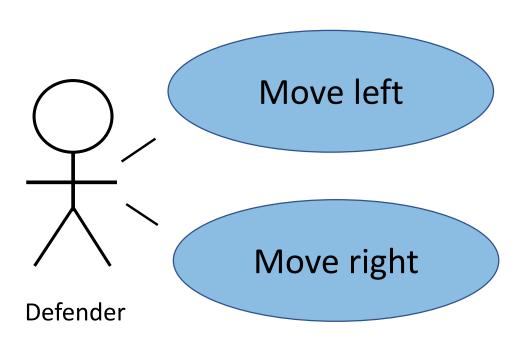
### Requirements – map to tests!

- The defender should be able to move left and right:
  - def test move left()
  - def test\_prevent\_offside\_left()
  - def test\_move\_right()
  - def test\_prevent\_offside\_right()
- The defender should be able to fire bullets:
  - def test\_shoot\_bullet()
  - def test\_remove\_enemy\_upon\_collision()
- Invaders must move in an alternative pattern:
  - def test\_detect\_edge()
  - def test\_reverse\_direction()

# Use Case Diagram – Specialist movement

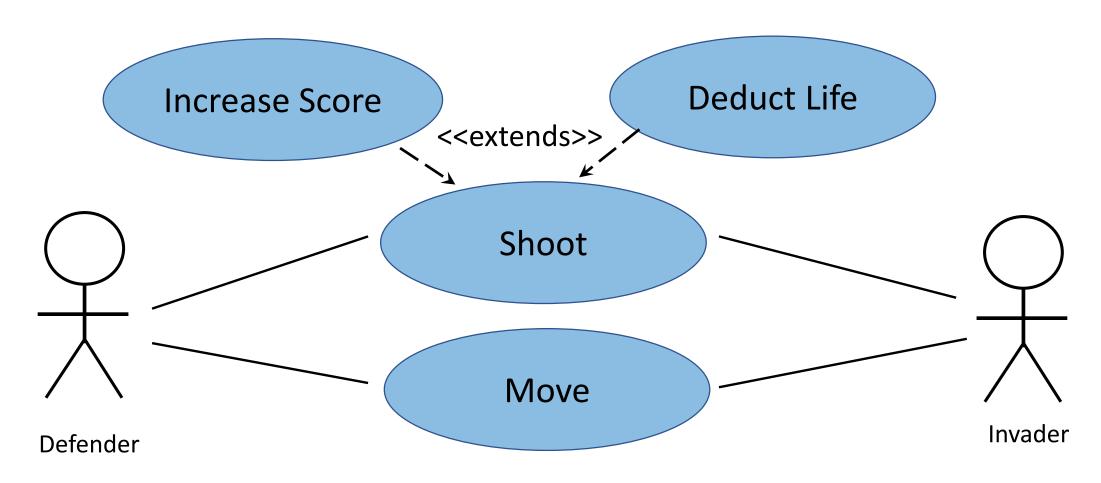


# Designing Unit Tests alongside your design



- Does move\_left() return 1 or 0 when called?
- When player.x <= 0, does move\_left() stop moving the player offscreen?
- Does move\_right() return 1 or 0 when called?
- When player.x >= SCREEN\_WIDTH, does move\_right() stop moving the player offscreen?

## Use Case Diagram – Extension actions





# Unit Test Frameworks

### Pytest



- Pytest is an open-source package available at: <a href="https://docs.pytest.org/en/7.4.x/index.html">https://docs.pytest.org/en/7.4.x/index.html</a>
- It works on functions that are set up to 'test' a behaviour by the outcome of an 'assertion'.
- This assertion tests to see if a condition is True. If the assertion is True, then the test has passed, if not, then the test fails.

```
def add(x):
    return x + 1

def test_answer():
    assert add(3) == 5
```

```
PROBLEMS
         OUTPUT
                  DEBUG CONSOLE
                                TERMINAL
                                          PORTS
(base) nick@Nicholass-MacBook-Pro Invaders % pytest test_player.py
       platform darwin -- Python 3.10.9, pytest-7.4.3, pluggy-1.0.0
rootdir: /Users/nick/Documents/GitHub/COM4008-Programming-Concepts/09 PyGame (Python)/Invaders
plugins: anyio-3.5.0
collected 2 items
                                                                          [100%]
test_player.py .F
                            test prevent offside left
   def test_prevent_offside_left():
       player_x = 0
       if player.x <= 0 :</pre>
          assert player.move_left() == False
>
          assert True == False
           + where True = <bound method Player.move_left of <Player.Player object at 0x101d3
9f90>>()
               where <bound method Player.move_left of <Player.Player object at 0x101d39f90>
> = <Player.Player object at 0x101d39f90>.move_left
test_player.py:12: AssertionError
 FAILED test_player.py::test_prevent_offside_left - assert True == False
                     ====== 1 failed. 1 passed in 0.58s =====
```

## Visual Studio 2022's Test Explorer

