Course-Software-Testing MarDATA

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Cons?

- Code in Main method not "belonging there"
- Test code is discarded, although it is still useful later
- Tests are no longer executed
- → Regressions are not recognized

Continuous integration

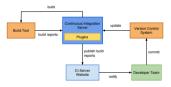
Why?

- Integration errors are continuously identified
- Early warnings for non-matching components
- Regression tests identify errors
- ► The developers are "'trained"' to be responsible
- Tool example:
 - Jenkins http://jenkins-ci.org/

See also the lectures on continuous integration for Kieker/ExplorViz and at PPI.

Continuous Integration Environment

Continuous Integration in Zeiten agiler Programmierung https://heise.de/-1427092



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Pros:

- Separation of functionality and tests
- Tests are retained
- Tests can be run continuously, automatically
 - → Regressions are identified
- Tests as "Qquality gateway" for integration of new code into the master branch or master repository



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JUnitin Softwaretechnik:

- Structure and example in lecture
- Details in exercise
- Your submission: JUnit-Tests required (Quality-Gateway for correction)

An Demo-function

that should be tested . . .

```
package com.example.project;
public class Calculator {
        public int add(int a, int b) {
                return a - b:
```

Take a look at this in eclipse.

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```
package com.example.project;
import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.assertEquals;
import org.junit.jupiter.api.DisplayName;
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
class MyTest {
          @Test
          @DisplayName("1_{\sqcup}+_{\sqcup}1_{\sqcup}=_{\sqcup}2")
          void addsTwoNumbers() {
              Calculator calculator = new Calculator();
              assertEquals (2, calculator.add(1, 1),
                                        "1_{\square}+_{\square}1_{\square} should _{\square} equal _{\square}2");
```

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Unit-Testing:

- Code uses other objects of the system
- Objects must be accessible for testing

Issues:

- Unit-Testing! No complete system run!
- Other objects / classes may not be available yet!
- Performance
- Difficult to provide real object:
 - Specific parameters (time, sensor values)
 - Error states (network error, . . .)

Mocking: Motivation II

- Temperature-Sensor
- Network services

Mocking is particularly relevant for "Test Driven Development".

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Behaviour:

- "Based on" real object
 - → for code to be tested: like real object
- Explicit triggering of values, states, . . .
 - → for Test-Code: configurable!

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- Working implementation as real object
- Take shortcuts and behave in a much simpler way

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 - Mocks are [...] objects pre-programmed with expectations which form a specification of the calls they are expected to receive.

Framework: Mockito

Übersicht:

- https://site.mockito.org/
- Java-Framework for creating Mock objects
- ► First release: 2008

If you use Mockito in tests you typically:

- 1. Mock away external dependencies and insert the mocks into the code under test
- 2. Execute the code under test
- 3. Verify that the code executed correctly

For example, you can verify that a method has been called with certain parameters. This kind of testing is sometimes called behavior testing. Behavior testing does not check the result of a method call, but it checks that a method is called with the right parameters.

Mockito with JUnit I

```
import static org.mockito.Mockito.*;
public class MockitoTest {
  @Mock
  MyDatabase databaseMock;
                                                       // 1
  @Rule public MockitoRule mockitoRule
                              = MockitoJUnit.rule(); // 2
  @Test
  public void testQuery() {
    ClassToTest t = new ClassToTest(databaseMock); // 3
    boolean check = t.query("*,|from,|t");
    assertTrue(check);
    verify (databaseMock). query ("*\updatafrom\updatat");
```

Mockito with JUnit II

Mockito with JUnit III

- 1. Tells Mockito to mock the databaseMock instance
- 2. Tells Mockito to create the mocks based on the @Mock annotation
- 3. Instantiates the class under test using the created mock
- 4. Executes some code of the class under test
- 5. Asserts that the method call returned true
- 6. Verify that the query method was called on the MyDatabase mock

Siehe auch https://www.vogella.com/tutorials/Mockito/article.html

Mocking: Summary

Motivation: "Replace"complex objects for test:

- Simulation
- Replace with dummies
- Collect additional debug information

Connection to Unit-Testing:

Extends assertions by Verification: Testing of interactions with mock objects

Verification:

- Mock objects log function calls. This allows to check properties of the stack trace (call history) of mock objects.
- Note: Do not mistake for formal verification!

Unit Tests vs. Mock-Verification?

- Addition, not replacement: Check different aspects!
- More details and examples: practice!



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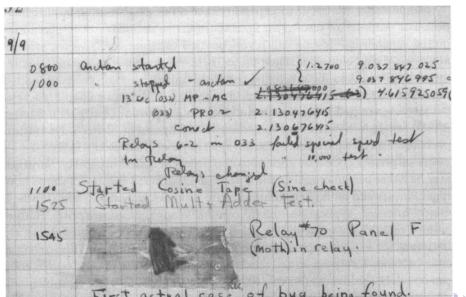
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- Formal methods
 - Formal verification
 - Proofs of Program Correctness



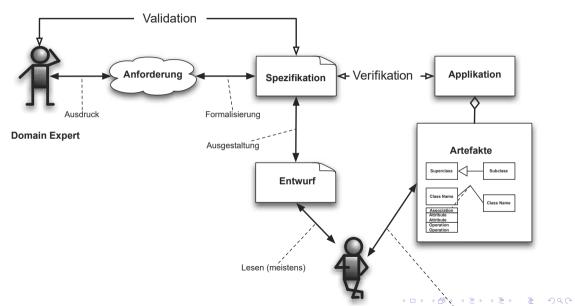
Things we do not want: Bugs



Validation and verification of software

- Validation and verification of the implemented software system:
 - "'Do we build the system right?"' (Verification) Check that the system meets the requirements
 - "'Do we build the right system?"' (Validation) Check whether the actual (user) requirements have been realized.
- Validation can be supported e.g. by prototyping (see LE ??)
- Occasionally these terms are also used differently:
 - e.g. verification for formal proofs and validation for running.

Validation and Verification: Roles



Verification Objectives

- Proof of the correct functioning of all functions of a system in relation to a given specification
 - Identify errors
 - Absence of errors
- ▶ The verification process itself must also be verified:
 - Are the test conditions correct?
 - Is a formal proof correct?
- Technical (non-functional) requirements must also be checked:
 - Efficiency, portability, modifiability, etc.
- ▶ The result is not always simply *correct* or *incorrect*.
 - Reliability requirements and subjectivity require more fine-grained metrics,
 e.g. good enough or 99% availability.

Classification of verification techniques

Symbolic Execution

The behavior of the system is tested with respect to the expected behavior.

- Structure-oriented methods white-box, with knowledge of the implementation
- Function-oriented methods
 black-box, without knowledge of the implementation

Static Analysis

The behavior of a system is analyzed to derive whether the behavior is correct.

- Static proofs of correctness
- Reviews, inspections, walkthroughs, etc.

Testing for verification

Unit-Test Single functions / components are tested.

Integration test Interdependent components are tested together.

Focus on interface testing.

Components are integrated into subsystems and tested together.

System test Test of the complete system.

Objective of a test planning

Select test cases in such a way that the probability of finding errors or ruling them out is high.

The V-Model

Use especially by military and governmental authorities.

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Verification and validation of the sub-products are essential components of the V-Model.

Problems in software testing

- Test cases often describe the behavior more detailed than the specification:
 - → Develop test cases before implementation
- Basic problem:
 - "Program testing can be used to show the presence of bugs, but never to show their absence."
- Questions to answer:
 - How to determine suitable test cases and test plans?
 - How to check the correctness of the test implementation?
 - Who is the tests authority?

Challenges of the steps in the test process

- Identification of test scenarios (use cases)
 - What is to be tested?
- Establishment of concrete test scenarios
 - How is the test candidate executed?
 - What is the correct behavior?
- Formalization of tests
 - How is the test specified?
- Carrying out tests
 - Automation!
- Maintenance of tests
 - Synchronized with the changes in the business software, the tests must (mostly) be adapted and modified.

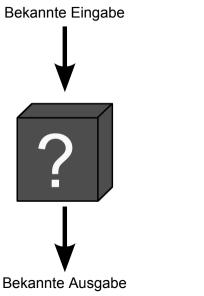
Objectives for software testing

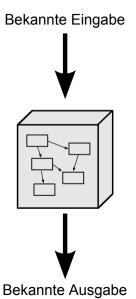
- It must be clear what results are expected when testing.
- Use of systematic methods:
 - Selection of test cases if possible not (only) intuitive or random.
- ▶ The results should be fully reproducible.
 - ▶ This is a major problem especially when testing parallel programs.
- Errors should not only be detected, but also localized and fixed.
 - ,Known bugs' are not a sign of high quality software.
- Quality requirements must be checked with the highest accuracy possible.

Pragmatic view on testing

- Testing allows conclusions about the quality of a software system
- Quantitative metrics support conclusions
 - Test coverage etc.
- Automated regression tests provide protection against side effects of modifications
 - A regression test is the repetition of test cases to ensure that modifications in already tested parts of the software do not cause new errors ("regressions").

Black-Box vs. White-Box Testing





White-box Testing of Modules

(testing in the small)

- C0: Statement Coverage: All executable statements in the source code are executed at least once (Statement coverage criterion).
- C1: Edge coverage: Each edge of the control graph being traversed at least once (Edge-coverage criterion).
- C2: Path (Branch) Coverage: All paths leading from the initial to the final node of the control graph being traversed (Path-coverage criterion).
- C3: (Compound) Condition Coverage: Each possible combination of conditions must be executed at least once (Condition coverage criterion).

Problems with Statement coverage

C0: Statement coverage

- Is a program sufficiently tested when each statement has been executed at least once?
- How to determine a minimum test quantity?
- Is it useful to cover even empty statements (e.g. missing else)?
- ▶ The structure of the program is not taken into account
- Basically: Coverage is not decisive!

Coverage of all edges of a control flow graph

C1: Edge-coverage

Precondition is the construction of a control flow graph for an (imperative) program:

- Every single statement, which does not contain any further statements, is represented as a node.
- Conditional statements are represented as branches.
- Loops are represented as cycles and
- Sequences by edges between nodes.

Construction of control flow graphs

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Example: Program for faculty computation

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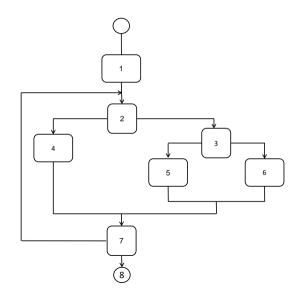
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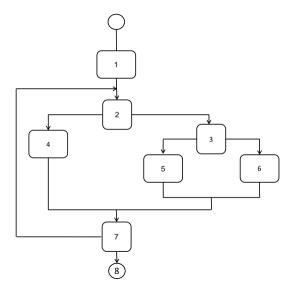
Test cases for Edge-coverage

Nr	Class	Test case description	Expected Results	Exemplary data	input
1	Normal	Input parameter is valid	Faculty of the input parameter	42	
	Checked edges: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7				
2	Error Checked	Input parameter is invalid edges: 1	Exception	-1	

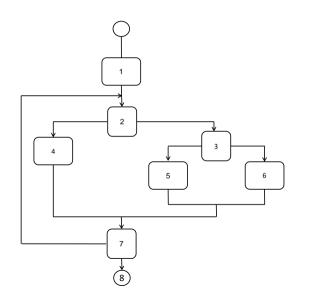
Cyclomatic Complexity

- Behind this software metric by McCabe is the idea that above a certain complexity a module is no longer comprehensible to humans.
- ► The cyclomatic complexity is defined as the number of independent paths on the control flow graph of a module.
- ► The cyclomatic complexity indicates how many test cases are needed to achieve Edge-coverage.
- The complexity measure according to McCabe is equal to the number of binary branches plus 1.
- According to McCabe, the cyclomatic number of a self-contained subprogram should not exceed 10, otherwise the program is too complex and too difficult to test.

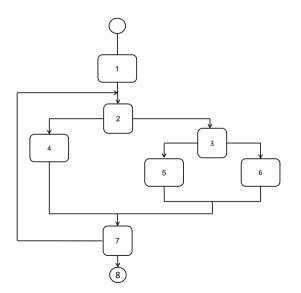




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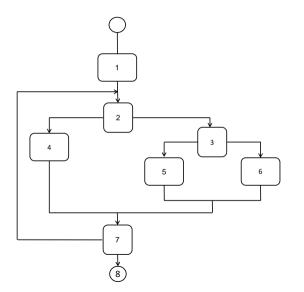


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Path 4: 1,2,4,7,2,4,...7,8

Cyclomatic Complexity = 4

Notes on the Edge-coverage criterion

- It is enforced, that every condition is passed with true and false.
- ► The edge coverage criterion is thus *stronger* than the statement coverage criterion.
- Occasionally however not strong enough:
 - Compound conditions are not sufficiently considered.
- Insufficient for testing loops

Path (Branch) Coverage

C2: Path (Branch) Coverage

Even under simple conditions, the Edge-coverage can still be insufficient: Testing of loops

```
if (x != 0) {
 y = 5:
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else {
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- The test set {(x=0, z=1), (x=1, z=3)} meets the Edge-coverage criterion, but does not recognize the division by 0.
- Dependencies remain undetected!

Edge-coverage (continued)

- Die Testmenge {(x=0, z=1), (x=1, z=3), (x=0, z=3), (x=1, z=1)} meets the Path-coverage criterion.
- Problem: The number of paths grows exponentially with the length of the program code, so testing with the Path-coverage criterion is unrealistic.
- Another problem: Number of paths for loops..
 Solution: Heuristics.
 Example heuristics for the number of loop cycles:
 - 0 times
 - moderately often
 - maximum count

Boundary values are important!

Condition coverage criterion

else SF

C3

```
Here e.g.

if (C1 and C2) ST;
else SF;

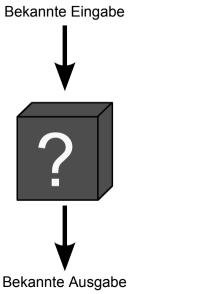
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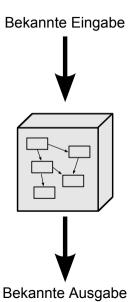
if (C1)

if (C2) ST
else SF
```

- ► The new control flow graph covers all basic (sub)conditions and thus makes *hidden* edges visible.
- ► The condition coverage criterion may therefore result in even stronger test sets.

Black Box vs. White Box Testing





Blackbox Testing of modules

- Idea: A part of a program is tested without knowledge of the internal implementation.
- Problem: How to define the test set?
- Defining the test set can only rely on the specification.
- Formal specifications are then a prerequisite for the systematic generation of test sets.

Medieval Example

Solutions for equations of the form:

$$x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

- ▶ 1535: Tartaglia finds a solutions but keeps it to himself.
- Fior poses 30 problems to test this.

Medieval Black Box Text

Tartaglia Fior

solves
$$(x-r)(x-s)(x-t)$$

$$x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

verifies r = r', s = s', t = t'

Black Box Test methods

- Derive test cases from the program specification.
- Disregard program structure.
- Comprehensive but low-redundancy testing of the specified functionality.
- The key factor is the functional coverage
- Defining a test case:
 - Functional equivalence class formation (equivalence class partitioning)
 - Boundary value analysis
 - Special value testing

Equivalence Class Partitioning

Aim

Divide input parameter and output ranges into equivalence classes. Devide the definition ranges of input parameters and value ranges of output parameters into equivalence classes from which test cases can be derived.

Assumption

When processing a representative from an equivalence class, a program behaves the same way as with all other values from this equivalence class.

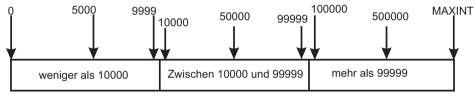
Representative value for a test case

Pick any representative value from the class.

Boundary Value Analysis

- ► Test cases that cover the boundary values of equivalence classes or that are in the immediate vicinity of the boundaries uncover errors very often.
- Not any element from the equivalence class is valid as representative for all boundaries.
- Pick one or more elements such that every boundary of the equivalence class is tested.

Equivalence classes with boundary values



Eingangswerte

Specification for a search function

```
procedure Search (Key: ELEM; T: ELEM ARRAY;
     Found: in out BOOLEAN; L: in out ELEM INDEX);
Pre-condition
         - the array has at least one element
          T'FIRST <= T'LAST
Post-condition

    the element is found and is referenced by L

          (Found and T(L) = Key)
          or
         - the element is not in the array
          ( not Found and
          not (exists i, T'FIRST \geq i \leq T'LAST, T (i) = Key ))
```

Equivalence Class Formation

based on the specification

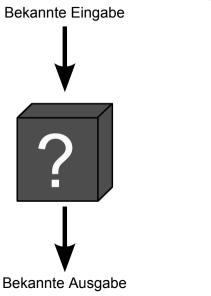
- Inputs that fulfill the pre-condition
- Inputs that fail the pre-condition
- Inputs for which the key element is in the array
- Inputs for which the key element is not in the array
- Input sets
 - With 0 elements
 - With 1 element
 - With multiple elements

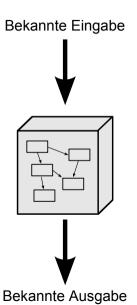
Equivalence classes for the search function

Array	Element	
Single value	In sequence	
Single value	Not in sequence	
More than 1 value	First element in sequence	
More than 1 value	Last element in sequence	
More than 1 value	Middle element in sequence	
More than 1 value	Not in sequence	

Input sequence (T)	Key	Output (Found, L)
17	17	true, 1
17	0	false, *
17, 29, 21, 23	17	true, 1
41, 18, 9, 31, 30, 16, 45	45	true, 7
17, 18, 21, 23, 29, 41, 38	23	true, 4
21, 23, 29, 33, 38	25	false, *

Black Box and White Box Testing



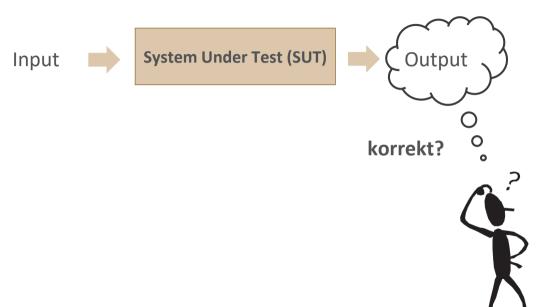


Fuzzy Testing

Fuzzing:

- Unlike unit tests, fuzzy testing does not define test cases manually but generates them randomly based on statistic functions.
- By reaching a large number of generated tests, the software is tested for unusual values as well.
 - This is especially interesting for uncovering security relevant vulnerabilities.
- Fuzzing is usually applied in black box testing to understand error affinity of new software and to detect vulnerabilities.
- If a software reproducible generates a problem (e.g. crashes) under fuzzy testing, white box tests can be used to find the specific cause.

Test Oracle

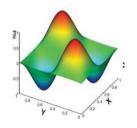


Are there types of software that do not have a test oracle

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The oracle problem

It is not always possible to define a test oracle



Scientific calculations



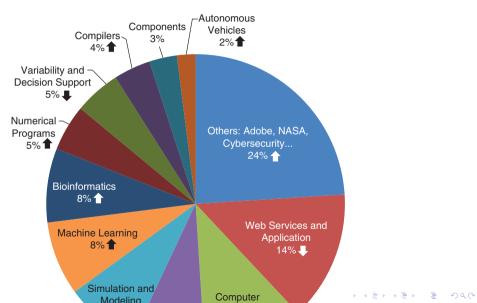
Artificial intelligence



Simulation and modelling

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Application of metamorphic testing



Integration testing

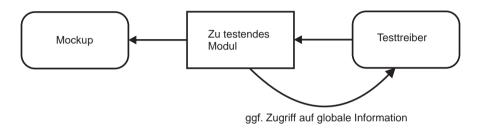
Testing in the large

- Testing individual modules separately does not guarantee a correct inter-operation of multiple modules.
- Many modules cannot be tested in isolation.
- Additionally: Steps for testing complex systems (modular testing):
 - Modular tests (a.k.a. Unit Tests & Components Tests)
 Testing a component without context.
 - Incremental integration test of multiple components in their context.
 - System test: Test of the whole system in the application environment (end-to-end).
- Acceptance tests (a.k.a. Funktional tests)
 Focus on testing of 'cross cutting' functionality.

Integration test (contd.)

- For embedded real time systems, the interoperation of hardware and software needs to be tested.
 - Digital Twins
- Incremental testing should be preferred over ,Big-Bang'testing, which directly goes for the full system right after unit testing.
- A clear separation of interface and implementation makes integration testing easy.
 - Easier swapping of ,mock-ups' for ,real' modules.
 See, e.g., Mockito https://github.com/mockito/

Incremental testing



"'Test framework"'

- Incremental tests can be bottom-up, top-down (or even jo-jo), with respect to the hierarchy of composition.
- A hierarchical architecture is very effective for this purpose.



Regression testing

- A test tool saves all test cases that have been done.
- This allows for an automatic repretition of all past tests after the software under test was changed.
- Executes nominal-actual comparison:
 - Input data for the test object
 - Expected outputs or reactions of test object (passing result)

Test driven development and refactoring

- Test driven development combines two techniques:
 - Test-driven programming for external evolution,
 - refactoring for internal evolution.
- Refactoring
 Changing a program with the aim of improving the internal structure without changing the (external) functionality.
- Refactoring is valid if all tests are passing.
- Here, tests are a form of software requirements specification (SRS).

Continuous Integration

Task, i. a..:

- Execution of static analyses (e.g., SpotBugs, Checkstyle)
- Building the systems (e.g., Gradle)
- Automated testing (e.g. JUnit, Selenium)
- Checking of log and monitoring data (e.g. Kieker)

DevOps: Development and operations

Continuous Testing, Delivery & Deployment

Continuous Deployment

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Generell führt Continuous Deployment zu vielen stabilen Releases:

- Automatisierte Installation in Test- und Produktionsumgebungen durch Infrastructure-as-Code mit domänenspezifischen Sprachen zur Konfiguration und Installation, inkl. Versionierung dieses Infrastruktur-Codes → z. B. mit Puppet, RedHat Ansible und OpenMake Release Engineer
- 2. Entwicklungsmuster wie Feature-Toggles helfen dabei, Code früh an ausgewählte Nutzer zu liefern, auch wenn dieser noch nicht zur Verwendung durch alle gedacht ist. \rightarrow z. B. mit Togglz
- 3. Fehler, die in der Deployment-Pipeline auftreten, dürfen nicht toleriert werden, führen zum Abbruch der Installation und müssen berichtet werden. → z. B. mit LambadaCD



Agility and reliability

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